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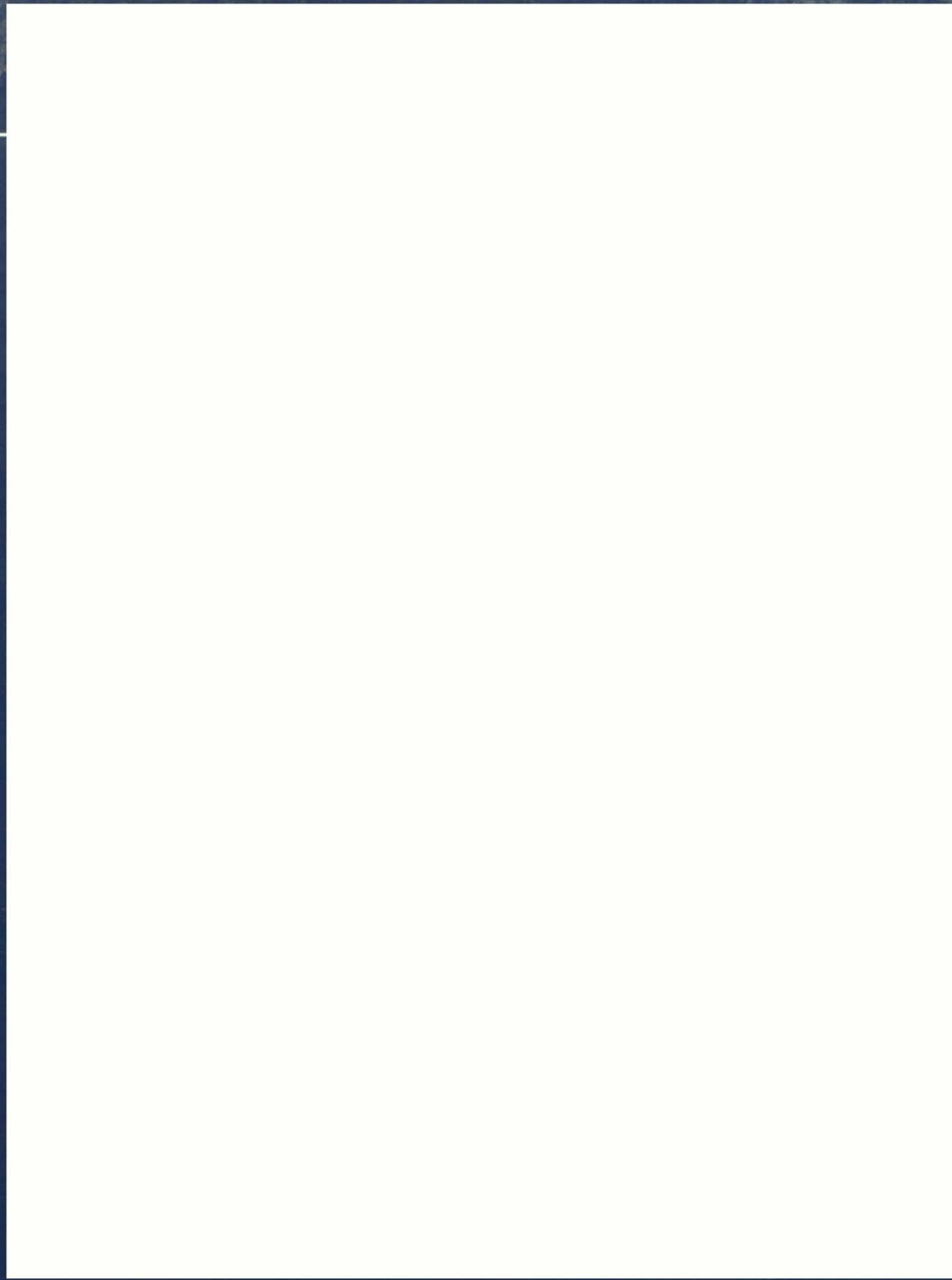


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Living the NUMBERS

Twenty five thousand dollars is quite a profitable way to start the school year. ■ This bonus came for Dr. Martin Jacobs for receiving the 1997 Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award presented at an assembly in the gym Sept 30. ■

A \$13.5 million dollar contribution to the entire district came from a bond passed in April 1997, to acquire land for two new elementary schools and help furnish and improve existing schools. ■ Plus money was also set aside for improving technology, which explains why LHS got 29 new computers and building-wide ethernet. ■

No amount of money, however, could reduce the number of days students were required to attend school. ■ Ten days was the limit for student absences per semester. If this limit was exceeded, credit for that class could be denied. ■ If the student had a reason, such as extensive hospitalization, the denial could be appealed. But, who could have guessed that missed school days were all for the count? ■ —*Kristen Miller*

WITH A LITTLE TIME and money, students could enjoy an afternoon shopping. Sally Herrin, jr, and Megan Chaney, sr, stop at a jewelry display case at Metro North Mall. Students found sales, like buy-one-get-one-free, allowed them to save money and still purchase items they wanted.
Photo by Melissa Propps





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Not Enough TIME FOR IT ALL

Instances of expansion and growth could be counted throughout Liberty. The number of local businesses, residents and students all increased substantially. Students still only had 24 hours in a day, though, to spend on jobs, sports, school and friends.

Finding ways to make money was easier, but, as students found out, finding time to make money was harder. "Now Hiring" signs could be seen throughout Liberty at new businesses like Sonic and The Dish. And, money was important to students who needed gas, wanted to stay on top of fashion trends, or planned to take a date out to dinner. Spending their money might take students on for a 20-minute drive to the new Old Navy on Barry Road. The Great Mall of the Great Plains was even further, nearly an hour away.

Closer to home, students went to many school-sponsored activities in their free time. TREND dances provided a popular after-the-game activity, and the cost was cheap at only \$2—or \$1 and a two-liter pop.

-Amie Vogt

SPENDING TIME AND money at the Plaza, juniors Tara Southwick and Julie de la Fluente relax on a shopping trip. They visited popular stores, such as Gap and Express. Photo by Andrea Mallams





SONIC OPENED UP NEW JOB OPPORTUNITIES on Sept. 22, when the first car pulled into the drive-in. Sarah Johnson, jr, took advantage of this new opportunity to make extra money as a car hop. Photo by Jennifer Hannah

Free Time

Hanging out with friends on the **weekends** is what I enjoy to do, along with going to the **movies**.

Randa McAdams, soph

Free time for me is often spent **driving** around and **visiting** friends, working, or **studying** for one of my **classes**.

Jake Shanks, jr



TRADITION STUCK for yet another year, as Flag Corp participated in the Fall Festival. With their bright colored flags, they helped bring spirit to the parade. Photo by Jason Noel

■ During the halftime show at the Homecoming football game, Amy Cordray and Connor Burns, srs, were crowned queen and king. Photo by Jason Noel

■ The trailing Bronco on the Junior Class float was pulled by Meagan Sherbo and Kristin Leitze, jrs. This float won first place. Photo by Andrea Mallams



Count ■ Us ■ In Homecoming Court

Queen

Amy Cordray

King

Connor Burns

Miss Peppy

Melissa Cole, soph

Attendants

Trevor Allison

Shea Evans

Katy Graber

Scott Thiel

Mr. School Spirit

Matt Pallo, soph

"The pep assembly was neat because all of the different groups had a point to make."

Dawn Searles, jr ■

"I liked the pep rally because it was fun and it led to the beginning of the weekend."

Lainie Harris, soph ■

We've Got The Beat

Music during lunch, the election of Miss Peppy and Mr. School Spirit, and the Junior Class winning the float contest were among the new aspects of Homecoming.

Sophomores were especially quick to notice Homecoming, Oct. 6-10, was much different at the high school than at junior high. They voted for king and queen and participated in dress-up days, float building, a large pep assembly, dance, and much more.

"Everyone at the high school is so much more involved than at the junior high. Here you're in the middle of everything," Lyndsy Richmond, soph, said.

Since sophomores did not participate in the Powder Puff game, they were "red-shirted" with special T-shirts ordered. Powder Puff was moved to 5 p.m. and is canceled next year due to vandalism.

Another favorite event was the parade. The parade started a little before noon Friday, at the high school, and ended at the square. School was released after the pep assembly so students could attend the parade. *(Continued)*



■ With tossed candy, dances, and raucous skits, the pep assembly offered entertainment for students. Channing Johnson, jr, represented TREND, teachers performed the faculty skit, and pom pon also danced. **Photos by Kim Fitch and Melissa Propps**

■ The Powder Puff game, a popular activity during Homecoming Week, was held for the last time, according to administrators. Andrea Mallams, sr, helps the seniors to their 25-13 victory over the juniors. **Photo by Grant Hensel**

■ During the Student Council skit, Shea Evans, sr, and Ben Blanton, soph, danced together at a pretend Homecoming dance. Photo by Kim Fitch

■ Although Mrs. Winona Gasswint helps the faculty's dress-up tally, the senior class tied with the faculty for highest participation. Photo by Jennifer Hannah



Count ■ Us ■ In Dress It Up

Monday

Lullaby Day

Tuesday

Country Western Day

Wednesday

Old School Day
(Anything before 90's)

Thursday

Red, White and *Blues*

Friday

Jock Jams
(Sports teams attire)

"The dress up days were fun because they were something different and people got involved."
Jeremy Johnson, jr ■

"When the students dressed up, it showed that people really had some spirit for our school."
Robert Horne, soph ■

We've Got The Beat

(Continued)

Ashly Anderson, jr, said, "The parade was my favorite thing because it was exciting. The floats were interesting and well put-together. It was awesome how everyone in the community came to watch . I thought it was neat for the athletes to be in the parade."

The bonfire, which was held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, raised spirit among the football team, spirit squad, and others.

"It's (bonfire) a great time to get pumped for the Homecoming game. We listened to the seniors' speeches and we saw how much they wanted to win, and then you start to get in the same mood," R.J. Howe, jr, said.

The dance began at 8 p.m. on Saturday, and lasted until 11 p.m. The theme was "We've Got The Beat" and decorations included a guitar made of Christmas lights.

Even though many things change year to year, most tend to stay the same.

"Everything is pretty much the same year after year. A lot of people who aren't normally involved get involved in the week. I think tradition has been about the same in the past years and will continue," Rachel Pearson, sr, said. —Meagan Sherbo



Many school groups participated in the parade, including the tennis team and the band. Luke Hiller and Katie Jones, srs, part of the court, were also in the parade. Photos by Shawn Kennedy, Andrea Mallams and Jason Noel, respectively

Reviving tradition during Homecoming, the election of Miss Peppy and Mr. School Spirit brought competition between classes. Andrea Kennedy and Renee Khron, srs, count money collected for the competition. Photo by Kim Fitch

Welcome to the Jungle

When you stepped into the halls of the high school during Courtwarming Week, there were no signs that it was the middle of winter and below freezing outside. Students participated in dress-up days, such as "Tropical Day" and "Blue Lagoon Day," by dressing in bright, colorful clothing for the jungle theme which warmed up the hallways and classrooms.

On Thursday there was the traditional Senior Girls Lock-In which started at 10:00 p.m. and ended at 5:00 the next morning. During the lock-in, girls spent time painting signs supporting winter sports and hanging them up in the gym.

A pep assembly during 7th hour on Friday promoted school spirit. That evening with a full crowd on hand, the boy's basketball team defeated North Kansas City 77-57.

Saturday's Courtwarming Dance featured a 60 by 60 foot screen with dance videos and special lighting towers to illuminate the dance floor. "I liked the video screen opposed to the live band; there was a lot better variety in the music," Liz Durden, sr, said.—*Kristin Parrish*



■ There was dancing from both newcomers and veterans during the pep assembly. StuCo danced to jungle music, the senior girls preformed together in their last pep assembly and participated in the senior partner dance. **Photos by Jason Noel**

■ Kim Gibbs and Megan Pickard, srs, try to get a little sleep during the Senior Girls Lock-In. During the lock-in the girls decorated the gym with posters to cheer on different winter sporting events. **Photo by Melissa Propps**





■ Emily Cardwell and Tara Harman, sophs, are dressed up for Tarzan and Jane twin day and were the winners of the StuCo sponsored dress up days. **Photo by Crystal Lovell**

■ During the halftime show of the Courtwarming basketball game, Shea Evans and Nick Robinson, srs, were crowned queen and king. **Photo by Jason Noel**



"(The Lock-In) was a great time to have all the senior girls together and to decorate the gym with school spirit."

■ Shawnda Gross, sr

"Practicing for the partner dance was a lot of fun, but it was a scary feeling to know that I had to dance in front of the school."

■ Chris Rouse, sr

Count ■ Us ■ In Courtwarming Court

Queen

Shea Evans

King

Nick Robinson

Attendants

Luke Hiller

Dana Elmore

Scott Thiel

Katy Graber

Tuesday

Lion Sleeps Tonight

Wednesday

Jane & Tarzan

Thursday

Tropical Day

Friday

Blue Lagoon

■ The respected gambler, Sky Masterson, was played by Gary O'Dell, sr. "I enjoyed my role because it was fun to be somebody like that on stage." Photo by Jason Noel

■ Emily Tucker and Brandon Morgan, srs, play their roles as missionaries trying to convert the sinners and gamblers of New York to Christians. Photo by Jason Noel



Count ■ Us ■ In Cast

Sarah Brown Emily Tucker
Arvide Abernathy ... Brandon Morgan
Nathan Detroit Steve Parish
Miss Adelaide Hayley McClelland
Sky Masterson Gary O'Dell
Nicely-Nicely Johnson Bill Riley

"My creativity comes in forms of images and I enjoy being able to work with a group of people to create those images on stage for other people to see."
 Mr. David Young, director ■

"The best thing about the play was the theater atmosphere and getting to know people as they did their parts and as I did my part. It all came together."
 Danny Sarver, jr ■

Guys and Dolls

With hours of practice and a little fun, the cast of *Guys and Dolls* agreed that they pulled off an excellent performance. The play, about gangsters, dancers, and missionaries in New York, was held Thursday through Saturday at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Nov. 20-23.

The cast also agreed that their hard work paid off and they produced a play they could be proud of. "I really liked the play. Being back stage, I never realized how good it was until I saw the video and then I was really impressed," Channing Johnson, jr, said.

The experience of just being in the cast held different benefits for different people. "The best thing about the play was having fun and meeting new people because it gave me a chance to meet new people in a different environment," Cheryl Birkey, soph, said.

Throughout the stress of three hour practices, the cast cooperated and got along well. "I thought the cast got along great. I have never seen so many people get along so well for such a long period of time," Clinton Dorsey, jr, said. —Jenny Day



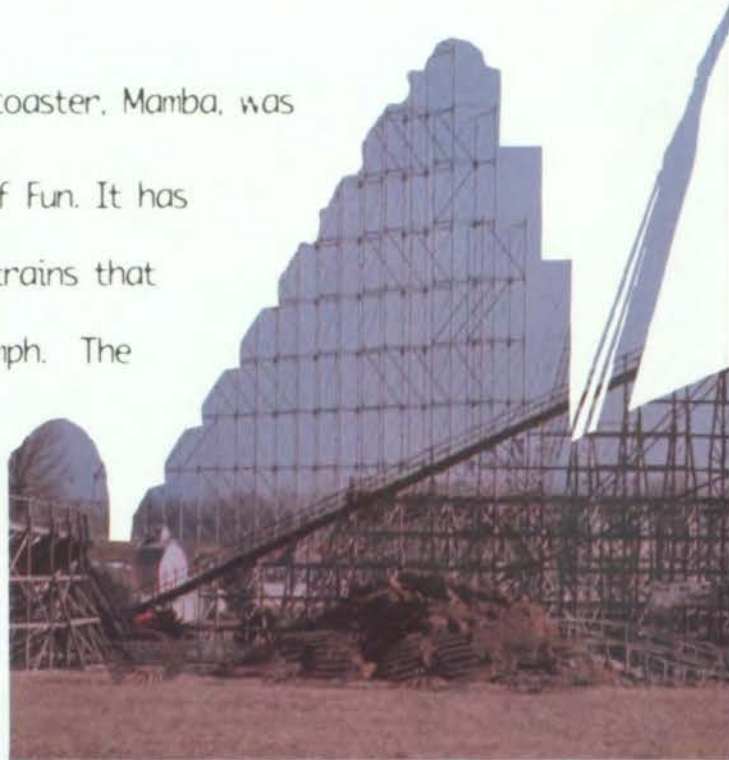
■ In the play, sophomore Steve Parrish, who played Nathan Detroit had to arrange his craps game so that Miss Adelaide, played by Hayley McClelland, soph, wouldn't find out. "I really enjoyed my part because it was like playing a mobster," Parrish said. **Photo by Jason Noel**



■ The gangsters and Kit-Kat-Club dancers represent the type of "sinners" that Sara Brown, played by Emily Tucker, sr, and her missionaries were trying to convert. "I was a mission person and I enjoyed the part because it wasn't that stressful," Stephanie Salisbury, jr, said. "Sinner" Erin Reed, jr, said, "I was in the Kit-Kat Chorus. We were Miss Adelaide's group of girls. It was fun because we had neat costumes and it was fun to walk out in the audience." **Photo by Jason Noel**

Local News

A new roller coaster, Mamba, was built at Worlds of Fun. It has three passenger trains that travel up to 75 mph. The first hill on the ride reaches 205 feet, the second reaches 184 feet.



The U.S. Department of Energy reported retail gas prices for Feb. 2 averaged \$1.07, but at Quick Trip Jan. 31, it was 88-cents.



Photo courtesy of Barb Womack

In the fall festival parade, the high school football team moms' float won first place in the float competition.

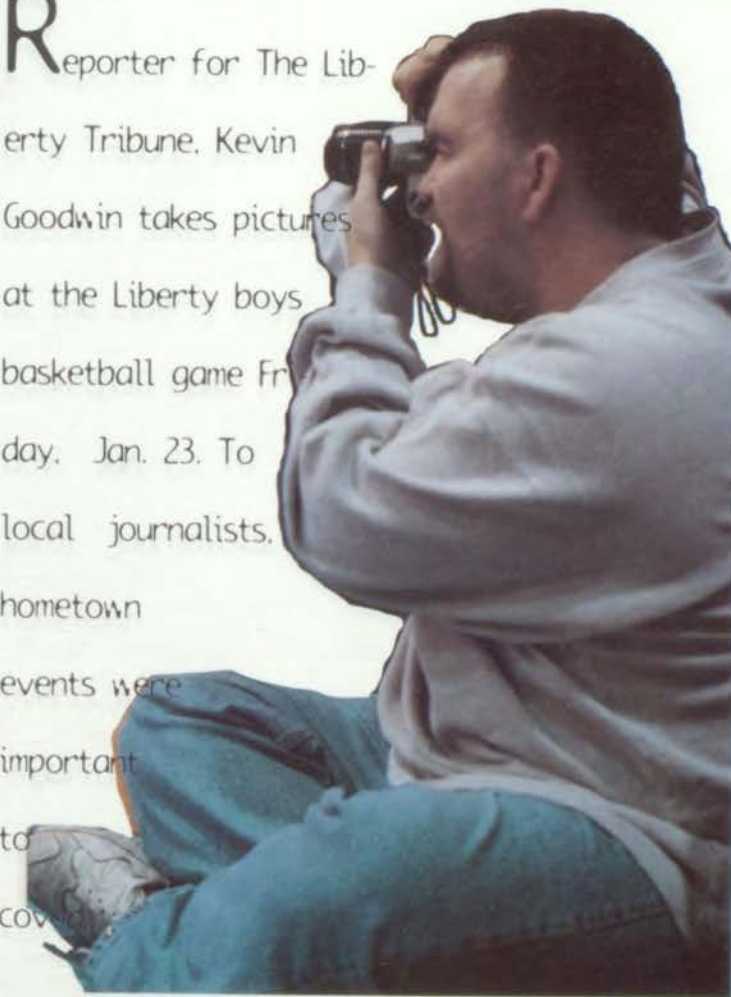
Renovation at the junior high school cost taxpayers \$4 million. The new additions and remodeling created seven science classrooms, three art classrooms, vocal and instrumental music rooms, and added office space.





A new shopping center called Barry Road Crossings featured many new stores and restaurants, including Old Navy, Barnes and Noble, Steinmart, Barry Woods 24 movie theater, Bagel and Bagel, and Chili's.

Reporter for The Liberty Tribune, Kevin Goodwin takes pictures at the Liberty boys basketball game Friday, Jan. 23. To local journalists, hometown events were important to cover.

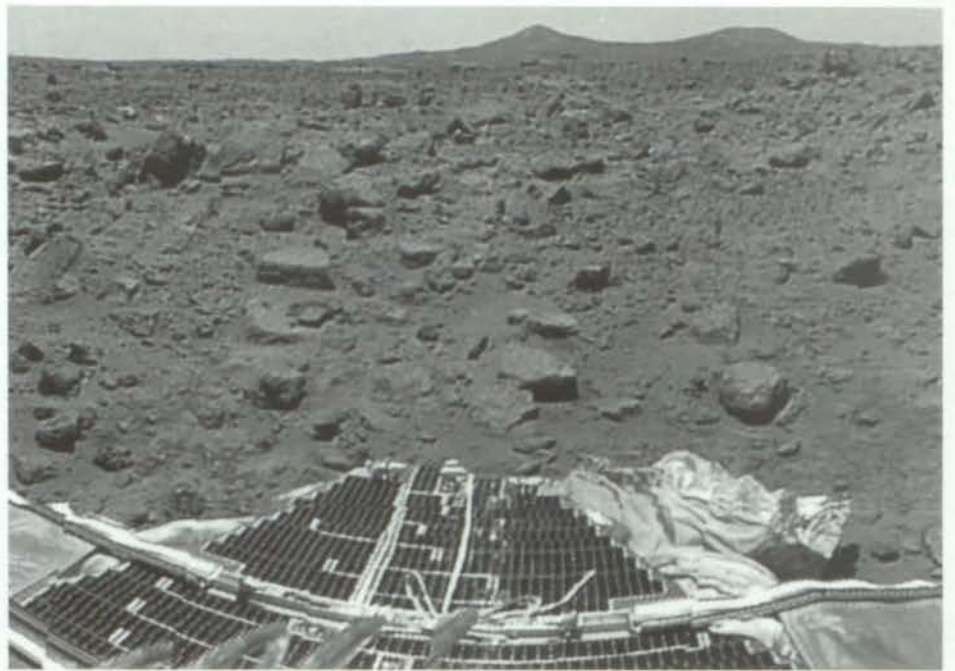


The 110,000 square foot blue sky mural was just one of the features inside Station Casino, along with 18 movie theaters, a game room and various restaurants.



Photos by Andrea Mallams
Compiled by Meagan Sherbo

A view from the roving vehicle Sojourner in 1997 displays the surface and landscape of Mars. The rover's six wheels rolled onto the surface of the planet off of Mars Pathfinder, the landing craft.



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Earl Spencer, Prince William, Prince Harry, and Prince Charles stand as Princess Diana's body is taken into Westminster Abbey on Sept. 6 1997.



Along with Dodi Fayed and the car's driver, Henri Paul, Diana, Princess of Wales, died in a car crash Aug. 31. Diana's bodyguard, Trevor Rees-Jones was the only survivor and the only person in the car wearing a seatbelt.

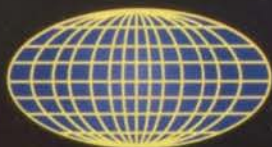


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That's All, Folks

EXCLUSIVE: Jerry Seinfeld explains why he quit—and talks about his future



Supplied by AP

"Men in Black," starring Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones, was the blockbuster movie of the summer. The science-fiction comedy about federal agents battling extraterrestrials won the Oscar for best make-up.

The WNBA made a name for itself in its inaugural season with the backing of the NBA and a catchy slogan, "We Got Next!" The league consisted of eight teams in the NBA's largest markets, such as New York, Los Angeles and Houston. In the first WNBA Championship Game in August, the Houston Comets beat the New York Liberty, 65-51.

A multi-billion-dollar settlement between the tobacco industry and the attorneys general of 40 states was reached in June. In exchange for immunity from future legal action, the industry agreed to pay \$360 billion over the next 25 years to smokers and states to compensate for health costs related to smoking. Also included in the settlement was a ban on most cigarette advertising, especially advertising directed at children. As a result, Reynolds Tobacco Co. was forced to retire Joe Camel, the flashy cartoon character blamed for luring kids to smoke.



David Phillip/AP



Lee Stone/SYMA

Summer



Adam Nacel/AP

Union workers for United Parcel Service went on strike for 16 days in August, crippling the world's largest package delivery company and wreaking havoc on virtually everyone in the business world and their customers. The strike, which involved 185,000 members of the Teamsters' union, was the largest in the United States in more than a decade. It was caused by UPS's increasing reliance on part-time workers and was ultimately resolved by the creation of 10,000 new full-time jobs.



NASA/SIPA Photo

Mir, the 12-year-old Russian space station, experienced several mishaps during the year, the worst of which was in June when an unmanned cargo ship crashed into Mir, leaving a gash in the pressurized vessel that was responsible for a substantial power loss. In January, American astronaut David Wolf floated outside the Mir on a mission to examine the outer hull. The aging complex is a test-bed for the international space station Alpha, components of which will be launched in 1998.



Beth Kanzer/AP

Mike Tyson **displayed a raw savagery** that sickened even the most die-hard boxing fans when he bit off pieces of not one, but both, of Evander Holyfield's ears during their heavyweight title bout in June. By the third round, Tyson had become frustrated and at some point discarded his mouth piece. Soon after, he took a bite out of

Holyfield's right ear and then, after a penalty, bit his left ear, causing the referee to disqualify him. In July, Tyson's boxing license was permanently revoked and he was fined \$3 million. ♦ Italian fashion designer Gianni Versace, 50, **was gunned down** in July outside his South Beach mansion in Miami by serial killer Andrew



Bullt Marguac/AP



NASA/AP

The Mars Pathfinder, carrying the rover Sojourner, made a historic journey to our planetary neighbor in July, collecting fascinating and useful information. In October, scientists announced that Mars, like the Earth, has a crust, a mantle and an iron core, making it likely that the planet once had water on it. Initially, Pathfinder's mission was planned to last 30 days, and Sojourner was only expected to run for a week. But the batteries held out, and the mission continued for three months, sending back 2.6 billion bits of information and 16,000 images.

The Chicago Bulls held off the Utah Jazz in the NBA Finals in June to win their fifth championship in seven seasons. For the first time, however, the Bulls, led by the perennial trio of Michael Jordan, Scottie Pippen and Dennis Rodman, had to battle their way to the top. Hard-fought playoff games with Washington, Atlanta and Miami set the stage for a no-holds-barred tilt with the Jazz.

The British colony of Hong Kong officially ceased to exist on July 1, when, after 156 years of colonial rule, the economically sound territory was returned to Beijing's control. The handover took place without incident, but it caused concerns about whether China would suppress the human rights of Hong Kong's 6.4 million people. Many residents have since noted with relief that, for the most part, their daily lives had not changed and the economy remains strong.



J. Pat Conroy/AP

Timothy McVeigh was found guilty in June and later sentenced to death by lethal injection for the deaths of 168 people in the April 1995 bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City. People all over the world shared in the triumph of the victims' families and friends following the verdict. Prosecutors in the case were glorified for bringing closure to what many considered the worst act of terrorism in American history.

Cunanan. The subject of a national FBI manhunt, Cunanan shot himself to death less than a week later in a houseboat just a short distance from Versace's villa. ♦ The wacky antics of a **"Seinfeld" episode** had an American brewery executive laughing all the way to the bank. Jerold McKenzie was fired by his company after he

Death of a Princess



Dylan McVeigh/AP

The world lost one of its pre-eminent humanitarians when Princess Diana died Aug. 31. Her goodwill efforts extended far beyond her royal obligations and included charitable work for children and those with AIDS and breast cancer.



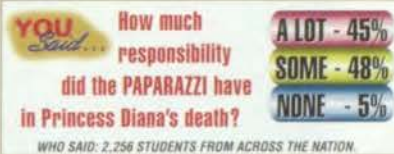
Maria Spang/AP



Ian Waddell/AP

Many blamed the paparazzi for causing the tragic accident that killed Princess Diana. The car she was riding in crashed following a high-speed chase with photographers on motorcycles. Some of the blame was later placed on Diana's chauffeur, Henri Paul, when an autopsy revealed he was more than three times over the French blood-alcohol limit for driving.

Millions watched Sept. 6 as the royal family bade farewell to their princess. The coffin containing Diana's body was transported to a memorial service at historic Westminster Abbey by horse-drawn carriage. Celebrities and dignitaries attended the service, which was televised internationally.



David Bruch/AP

Princess Diana's untimely death shocked the world, resulting in an unprecedented outpouring of grief from around the world. Thousands of people lined the streets of London to pay their last respects. Flowers and personal mementos piled up at the gates of London's Buckingham and Kensington palaces and the royal family received condolence cards by the millions.

discussed the episode with a female co-worker. In the episode, Jerry forgets his new girlfriend's name and can only remember it rhymes with a female body part. The co-worker complained to her bosses and McKenzie lost his \$130,000-a-year job. He filed a wrongful dismissal claim against the brewery and in July won \$36



Todd Korot/SIPA Press

The capital murder trial of Theodore Kaczynski, the reputed Unabomber, began in November, was delayed in December and abruptly ended in January when Kaczynski agreed to a plea bargain, admitting that he was responsible for 16 explosions that killed three people and injured 23 others. During the three months of the trial, Kaczynski, 55, a Harvard graduate and former university math professor, kept his defense lawyers, prosecutors and the judge in the case busy by first attempting suicide and then demanding that he be allowed to defend himself. Ultimately, Kaczynski avoided possible execution by assuming responsibility as one of the most mysterious serial killers in U.S. history.



Dreg Gibson/AP

The First Family got bigger in December when President Clinton welcomed Buddy the First Dog into the White House. The chocolate-brown Labrador pup became the first canine resident at the mansion since the Bush's dog, Millie, lived there. Although it took some time, it was said that Buddy and Socks, the Clinton's cat, were getting along wonderfully.

YOU Said...

Was Justice served when Louise Woodward was released?

WHO SAID: 2,256 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION.

YES 28% NO 64%



Victoria Arocho/AP

Supporters of 19-year-old British au pair Louise Woodward picket outside the superior courthouse in Cambridge, Mass. Although Woodward was convicted of second-degree murder in the death of infant Matthew Eappen, Judge Hiller Zobel overturned the verdict, calling it a "miscarriage of justice." Instead of the mandatory sentence of 15 years to life, Woodward was sentenced to time served and released.

Was Mike Tyson's punishment fair?

YES 75% NO 23%

Is there life on other planets?

YES 63% NO 34%



Gustavo Ferrari/AP

Tensions flared and the threat of war escalated in Iraq when Saddam Hussein continued to refuse U.N. inspectors access to suspected chemical and biological weapons sites. The United States and the world remained diligent trying to foster a commitment from Hussein to end his country's programs for weapons of mass destruction. The military build-up in Iraq began in the fall and continued into the new year when a U.N.-Iraq accord was signed, giving inspectors full access to sites previously declared off-limits. The accord, worked out by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, averted potential U.S. air strikes.

million. ♦ NBC sportscaster Marv Albert, arguably the most recognizable voice in sports, **pled guilty** to assault and battery charges in September and was subsequently fired by the network. The charges stemmed from an affair in which Albert apparently bit a woman several times on her back. With the plea, prosecutors

dropped the charge of forcible sodomy. ♦ Hundreds of thousands of black women converged on Washington for the "**Million Woman March**" on Oct. 25. Undaunted by gloomy weather, the women joined together for a walk through the city to show solidarity and to help bring to the forefront issues they believe are ignored by



John Bazemore/AP

The upstart Florida Marlins captured their first-ever World Series championship in October by defeating the Cleveland Indians in seven games. Shortly afterwards, the team was dismantled as Owner Wayne Huizenga traded several marquee players in an attempt to make the organization more profitable.



Bob Jordan/AP

Coaching great Dean Smith retired in the fall as head basketball coach at the University of North Carolina after 36 years at the school. Smith, 66, had a career mark of 879-254, charting the most career wins by a basketball coach in NCAA history. Along the way, Smith coached NBA superstars Michael Jordan and James Worthy, winning national championships in 1982 and 1993. His teams made 27 NCAA Tournament appearances, reaching the Sweet 16 an impressive 21 times.



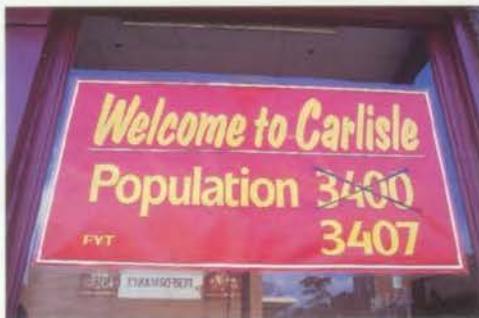
David Longworth/AP

Thousands of dignitaries and invited guests from around the world converged on Calcutta for the funeral mass of Mother Teresa, who died Sept. 5 of a heart attack at the age of 87. Mother Teresa, a Nobel Prize winner, was the world's most exalted humanitarian. More than 4,000 nuns are pledged to the order she founded, serving the poor, homeless and sick and dying all over the world.



Paul Sakuma/AP

First Daughter Chelsea Clinton, 17, left the White House for Stanford University in September. While President Clinton and First Lady Hillary adapted to their empty nest, Chelsea attempted to become just another face in the crowd. Her transition into college life was less than conventional with the Secret Service shadowing her every move.

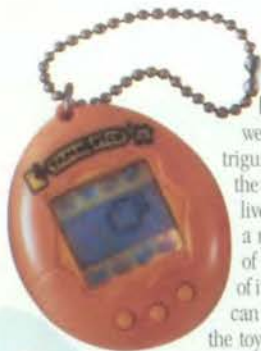


Steve Lee/SYGMA

Boasting a new population of 3,407, the city of Carlisle, Iowa, rallied behind residents Kenny and Bobbi McCaughey after Bobbi gave birth to four boys and three girls, the world's only known set of living septuplets. The miracle birth was the result of fertility drugs, which Bobbi was taking before and after conceiving her first child, Mikayla. The daunting task of caring for the newborns — Kenneth, Alexis, Natalie, Kelsey, Brandon, Nathaniel, and Joel — was made easier when, within hours of their birth, the septuplets were showered with gifts, including cash and college scholarships, as well as car seats, strollers and lifetime supplies of Pampers and Gerber baby food. Local businesses also pitched in to build the family of 10 a new house.

mainstream women's groups. ♦ Mattel Inc. introduced and began marketing a "politically correct" Barbie in November. The less busty Barbie was designed to give a more realistic profile to the best-selling doll that has irked feminists and at the same time become an icon for generations of young girls. Features of the

new Barbie include a thicker waist and slimmer hips, as well as a new nose and softer, straighter hair. The changes mark the third time Barbie has evolved since her debut in 1959. Since that time, more than a billion dolls have been sold worldwide. ♦ Terry Nichols was found guilty in December of **conspiring with Timothy McVeigh**



Kate Oshihara/SIPA Press

Electronic or virtual pets were the year's most popular and intriguing toys. About the size of an egg, the toy is a beloved domestic pet that lives and dies within the confines of a miniature screen. The well-being of the electronic pet is in the hands of its master. With proper care, the pet can live for up to 15 days. Demand for the toys was incredibly high with some stores reporting they sold out within hours of a new batch arriving.

Questions began circulating on Capitol Hill in December regarding former Ambassador Larry Lawrence's presumed use of inflated credentials to earn permission for burial at Arlington National Cemetery. Republican lawmakers publicly questioned the combat service claims that cleared the way for his burial in the historic cemetery. Lawrence's widow quickly decided to have her husband's body exhumed, but the controversy over how he received permission in the first place remained. A special oversight committee was charged with investigating past and future waivers.



William Philpott/AP

Three students were killed and five others were injured in December at Heath High School in West Paducah, Ky., when fellow student Michael Carneal opened fire with a handgun in the school lobby. Lockers of the victims were decorated in the days following the shooting, which occurred as several students finished an informal prayer meeting in the crowded lobby. Carneal, 14, told investigators he was inspired by a scene in the 1995 movie "The Basketball Diaries," in which the main character, played by Leonardo DiCaprio, dreams about methodically gunning down five classmates while other students cheer. The Heath High School incident was one of four fatal school shootings during the year.



Mark Humphrey/AP



Peter D'Angelo/AP

Elton John experienced a whirlwind year of tragedy and triumph. He dealt with the tragic loss of two friends when Gianni Versace and Princess Diana were killed. In tribute to the fallen princess, John rewrote his popular ballad, "Candle in the Wind." In March, he was knighted for his service to British pop music and his work for AIDS charities.



Tim Fitzgerald/AP

Detroit Lions linebacker Reggie Brown was knocked unconscious in December during a game against the New York Jets and had to be removed from the field by emergency personnel. He later underwent a four-hour surgery to fuse two vertebrae. Less than a month later, Brown made a stunning appearance at a hospital press conference, getting up out of his wheelchair and walking to the podium to give a statement. Although doctors were pleased with his progress, they noted that Brown would never fully recover and that his football career is most likely over. Following Brown's tragic injury, the Lions dedicated their first-round playoff game against Tampa Bay to him.

Winter

to bomb the federal building in Oklahoma City, but was acquitted of taking part in the actual bombing. He was also found guilty of involuntary manslaughter for the deaths of eight federal law enforcement agents who were in the building when the truck bomb exploded on April 19, 1995. Nichols, 43, has yet to be sentenced,

but the judge in the case has indicated he is leaning toward handing down a life sentence. The job of imposing a sentence was left to the judge after jurors failed to agree on a punishment. ♦ The Department of Justice cleared the first hurdle in its **atitrust battle with Microsoft Corporation** in November, winning a temporary

TV's Whirlwind Year

Tom Osborne, the Nebraska Cornhuskers' legendary coach, announced his retirement in December after 25 years on the job. Osborne, 61, cited health concerns and a desire to be with his family as reasons for retiring. He had a career record of 255-49-3 and reached his 250th victory in 302 games, 18 fewer than Penn State's Joe Paterno needed. Two back-to-back national championships in 1994 and 1995 and a share of the title in 1998 make Osborne one of college football's most prolific coaches ever. In his last game, the native Nebraskan went out in style as the Cornhuskers walloped Tennessee, 42-17, in the Orange Bowl.



John Gapper/AP



Dan Ryan/AP

Latrell Sprewell of the Golden State Warriors assaulted coach P.J. Carlesimo twice during a practice Dec. 1 and was subsequently suspended from the NBA for one year, the longest non-drug ban in league history. The decision sparked a heated debate over whether the punishment was fair. In March, an arbitrator ordered that Sprewell be reinstated and his suspension be reduced.

Jerry Seinfeld announced in December that his top-rated NBC sitcom, *Seinfeld*, was in its final season, indicating he wanted the show to go out while it was still in top form. In nine seasons, *Seinfeld* evolved into a cultural signpost and one of television's most popular shows. *Seinfeld*'s finale on May 14 was estimated to be among the most widely viewed events in television history. Commercial airtime for the final episode commanded higher prices than the Super Bowl with a 30-second spot costing \$1 million.



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The debut of Comedy Central's crudely animated hit, *South Park*, was wildly successful as it became the network's highest-rated show ever. The exploits of potty-mouths Kenny, Kyle, Cartman and Stan were considered by some to be even more offensive than those of MTV's *Beavis & Butt-head*. Network censors were comfortable with most of the show's stunts, which included Kenny being killed in every episode, but balked at an episode where Stan was set on fire by another character.



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E.R., television's top-rated medical drama, created quite a stir with its live season-opening episode. Actors had one take to get it right and, when they finished, they did it again to accommodate all time zones. *E.R.*'s live episode set the stage for a season of unusual television developments with *Chicago Hope*'s musical episode, *Seinfeld*'s backwards episode and *Mad About You*'s no-commercial episode.



Supplied by MTV

MTV's *Beavis & Butt-head* ended its successful five-year run with a final episode in January as series creator Mike Judge hoped to spend more time on his FOX hit *King of the Hill*. Fans can still catch the show on MTV, where re-runs will air indefinitely.

YOU Said...

What is your favorite television show?

- 1 SEINFELD
- 2 SOUTH PARK
- 3 THE SIMPSONS
- 4 PARTY OF FIVE
- 5 ER

WHO SAID: 2,256 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION.

injunction banning the company's forced bundling of its Internet Explorer web browser. The justice department considers the browser a separate commercial product, while Microsoft argues that it is an integral feature of its Windows 95 operating system. The injunction, which came after several hearings involving

Microsoft CEO Bill Gates, will remain in place until a full judgment is made. In short, the injunction ordered the company to stop forcing computer manufacturers to license and preinstall its browser. ♦ Poultry workers and government officials in Hong Kong began the massive slaughter of birds in December, the first step in a

Winter

The Michigan Wolverines' thrilling 21-16 victory in the Rose Bowl capped off an impressive season that ended in a share of the national championship with Nebraska. Charles Woodson, Michigan's all-purpose player and winner of the Heisman Trophy, was a key factor in the Wolverines' undefeated season.



Eric Dager/AP

Hollywood's Golden Globe Awards ceremony was marked by a poignant moment when Ving Rhames gave his trophy for best actor in a TV miniseries to fellow nominee Jack Lemmon. Rhames was named best actor for his portrayal of boxing mogul Don King, while Lemmon was nominated for his role in a remake of "12 Angry Men." The unselfish gesture did not go unnoticed by the Hollywood Foreign Press Association, which sponsors the awards, as Rhames was presented with another Golden Globe trophy a week later.



Margaret Norton/AP



Don Edmunds/AP

The 25th Anniversary of the Supreme Court's historic Roe versus Wade decision was celebrated in January. Thousands on both sides of the volatile issue traveled to Washington, D.C. to observe the event. The 1973 ruling by the nation's highest court barred states from banning abortion, finding that a woman's right to privacy under the U.S. constitution included the right to end a pregnancy.

Sean "Puff Daddy" Combs made a big showing with an unmatched seven nominations and two wins during the 40th Annual Grammy Awards in February. Puff Daddy, shown presenting Danny DeVito an impromptu rap lesson, won Grammys for best rap performance by a duo or group for the song, "I'll Be Missing You," and best rap album for "No Way Out."



Mark Lammiman/AP

The Denver Broncos shocked the world in January with a 31-24 victory over the defending-champion Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII. It was the AFC's first world championship in 14 years and John Elway's first Super Bowl victory after three previous losses. Terrell Davis, Denver's star running back, scored three touchdowns and was named Super Bowl MVP.

plan to contain a mysterious "bird flu" virus. Having crossed over to humans, the virus caused four deaths and infected scores of other people. The government killed, disinfected and buried every chicken in Hong Kong — some 1.3 million of them. An unknown number of ducks, geese, quail, pigeons, doves, and other birds

that had been in close proximity to the chickens were also destroyed. ♦ A new pill that **stops hair loss and increases hair growth** in some men won approval from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in December. The manufacturer, Merck and Co., said the one-a-day pill, called "Propecia," was developed for baldness after men



Felice Calabro/AP

Twenty people died in northern Italy when a U.S. military fighter jet hit cable car lines, severing them and causing a car from the Mt. Cermis cable car line to plunge 300 feet and crash onto the side of a mountain. The cable car was carrying vacationers to the Cermis ski resort in the Dolomites mountains near the city of Cavalese. Four U.S. Marines were later charged with involuntary manslaughter and negligent homicide after an investigation determined their jet was flying too low and too fast. The crewmen also face charges for damage to military property, damage to private property and dereliction of duty.



Bill Kestrou/AP

Dallas Cowboys' head coach

Barry Switzer resigned in January following a dismal season that saw his team miss the playoffs for the first time since 1990. Switzer, 60, compiled a 40-24 record in four seasons with the Cowboys and led the team to a win in Super Bowl XXX, but never won over Dallas fans after succeeding the popular Jimmy Johnson.



Ed Renshaw/AP

YOU Said...

WHO SAID: 2,296 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION.

Favorite Movies of 1997

- 1 Titanic
- 2 Scream
- 3 Scream 2
- 4 Men In Black
- 5 Soul Food

The three-hour epic "Titanic" was the blockbuster film of the year, sailing into history by earning more than \$1.2 billion to eclipse "Star Wars" as the highest-grossing movie ever.



Supplied by Globe Photos

Favorite New Artist of 1997

- 1 Matchbox 20
- 2 Puff Daddy
- 3 Usher
- 4 Backstreet Boys
- 5 Smash Mouth



Was Seinfeld in top form in its last season?

taking it for prostate enlargement noticed increased hair growth. ♦ Daniel Devlin, the Republican mayor of Upper Darby Borough near Philadelphia, was arrested in December after a **daring daylight robbery** of a local bank. Authorities said Devlin, who was despondent over losing a bid for re-election and facing unemploy-

ment, entered the bank wearing sunglasses, a Miami Dolphins jacket and a baseball cap. He told a teller he had a bomb and demanded cash. The teller turned over \$1,500 and Devlin walked casually out of the bank. He surrendered to authorities 30 minutes later. ♦ The **bright flashing lights** of a popular Japanese televi-

Sen. John Glenn, the first American astronaut to orbit the Earth, got his wish to go back into space when NASA announced in January that he will be aboard the shuttle Discovery in October. At 77, Glenn will be the oldest person to fly in space. His presence on Discovery will aid researchers in their understanding of how the weightlessness of space affects the body as it ages. The Ohio Democrat lobbied for months to return to space, and has passed the rigorous physical tests required by NASA.



Ruth Fremson/AP

Pop music sensation Hanson led the year's "kid-rock" phenomenon, joining Silverchair, LeeAnn Rimes and Johnny Lang in pre-pubescent popularity. Brothers Issac, Taylor and Zac, drove fellow teen-boppers wild with their snappy-happy songs of life and love. Their breakthrough album, "Middle of Nowhere," earned Grammy nominations for record of the year and best new album.



Ron Edmonds/AP



Mark Lennihan/AP

Bob Dylan scored big at the Grammys in February. The rock music legend's album, "Time Out of Mind," won album of the year. He also won best male rock performance for the song "Cold Irons Bound." The icing on the cake came for Dylan when his son, Jakob, and his band, the Wallflowers, won two Grammys for best rock song and best rock performance by a duo or group for "One Headlight."



Chris O'Meara/AP

Winston Cup driver Dale Earnhardt captured his first-ever Daytona 500 win in February, breaking a streak of 19-straight losses in stock car racing's showcase event. The win also ended a 59-race Winston Cup losing streak. Earnhardt had lost Daytona twice before on the last lap, but this time held off a host of challengers. A crash on the 199th lap allowed him to take the checkered flag alone and virtually unchallenged.

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sion cartoon came under scrutiny in December, when it was discovered they had triggered seizures in hundreds of children. Reports indicated that more than 600 children had suffered convulsions, vomiting, irritated eyes, and other symptoms after watching the cartoon "Pokemon." The phenomenon was linked to a scene

in a particular episode, where characters were fighting each other inside a computer and a bomb exploded resulting in five seconds of flashing red lights. ♦ Brett Favre of the Green Bay Packers became **the first player in NFL history** to be elected league MVP three times when he and Barry Sanders were chosen as co-MVP's



Ron Hurst/SYGMA

Karla Faye Tucker, a convicted ax murderer and born-again Christian, became the first woman to be executed in the United States since 1984 when the state of Texas put her to death in February. She was only the second woman executed since 1976, when the Supreme Court allowed capital punishment to resume. Tucker, 38, was sentenced to die for the 1983 pickax murder of two people in Houston. Her case touched off an international debate over redemption and the morality of the death penalty. For some it was a gender issue, but not for Tucker. She argued for clemency based on her newfound faith, claiming she had been rehabilitated and wanted a life sentence so she could help others behind bars.

After a long delay, the much anticipated visit of Pope John Paul II to Cuba came to pass in January. Welcomed by Fidel Castro, the ailing pontiff spent five days in Cuba on a visit that many believed would set a new course for the Cuban church. Tens of thousands of people gathered to see the pope as he made stops and celebrated mass in several Cuban cities, including Havana and Camaguey.



Ruth Fremson/AP

Spirit of Nagano

Snowboarding made its inaugural showing during the 1998 Winter Olympics and created controversy when a Canadian snowboarder lost his gold medal after testing positive for marijuana. He later got the medal back on appeal. The controversy was not the only problem the exciting new event encountered, as several days of heavy snow wreaked havoc by sending snowboarders sideways down hills.



Robert Sakuma/AP



Paul Zukowski/AP

Eric Bergoust won two of the USA's six gold medals and set a new world record in the freestyle skiing aerials competition in Nagano. Bergoust performed two different quadruple-twisting triple flips for a combined score of 255.64 points, eclipsing Nicolas Fontaine of Canada's previous world record score of 254.98.

Packing the USA's 1-2 punch

in figure skating were 15-year-old Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan, 17, who battled down to the wire to win the gold and silver medals, respectively. Lipinski became the youngest figure skater to ever win the gold medal when she edged Kwan in the free skating program finals of the XVIII Winter Olympics in Nagano, Japan.



Amy Siskind/AP



Denise Endrey/AP

American skier Picabo Street captured the Super-G gold medal in dazzling style, captivating fans of the last Winter Olympics of the 20th Century with her extraordinary zeal. That zeal was missing in action during the downhill competition when she went for a second medal and lost.



The U.S. women's hockey team beat Canada to win the gold medal at Nagano in the fledgling sports' first-ever Olympics showing. After finishing second to Team Canada in four previous world championships, the United States got their revenge with a 3-1 victory in the gold-medal game.

after the 1997 season. Favre's three consecutive MVP honors matched him with the legendary Joe Montana as the only NFL quarterbacks ever to win the award in consecutive years. His selection in 1997 was based in part on a record-setting fourth consecutive season of throwing 30 or more touchdown passes. ♦

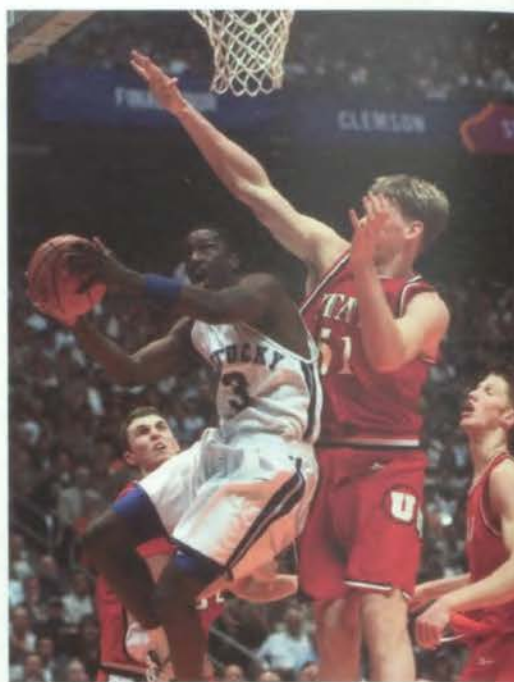
Researchers announced in January they had traced **the very first case of HIV infection** to a man living in what was then the Belgian Congo in 1959. They say the sample looks like an ancestor of several subtypes of HIV now found around the world. It suggests that HIV "evolved from a single introduction into the Africa popu-

86, '98 surprises

The University of Kentucky won its seventh NCAA championship, putting together a record-setting rally to beat Utah, 78-69. The Wildcats were behind most of the game, including a 10-point deficit at halftime, the largest any champion has ever overcome. The Final Four field of Kentucky, Stanford, Utah, and North Carolina marked the first time in tournament history that no No. 1 seeds advanced.



Susan Steiner/AP



Charlie Nebergall/AP

Director James Cameron's exciting win as Best Director was just the tip of the iceberg for his epic movie "Titanic" at the 70th Annual Academy Awards. The colossal blockbuster took home an Oscar in 11 of the 14 categories for which it was nominated, including Best Picture. At the box office, "Titanic" became the highest-grossing movie of all time by amassing more than \$1.2 billion in ticket sales worldwide.

Talk show host Oprah Winfrey claimed victory after being sued for allegedly defaming the beef industry. A jury rejected a lawsuit filed by Texas cattlemen, who argued that Winfrey's televised comments about the dangers of mad cow disease caused the beef market to plunge and cost them millions of dollars.



L.M. Chery/AP

lation in a time frame not long before 1959." ♦ The NFL signed a staggering eight-year, **\$17.7 billion television contract** in January, renewing its agreement with FOX to broadcast NFC games and turning the AFC games over to CBS. By losing the AFC package, NBC will be without football for the first time in more than

three decades. CBS, which four years ago lost its long-standing NFL contract to upstart FOX, paid \$4 billion to acquire the AFC rights away from rival NBC. As part of the contract, ABC renewed its rights to Monday Night Football and agreed to broadcast the games an hour earlier at 8 p.m. EST. ♦ Golfer Tiger Woods took



Charles Rex Arbogast/AP

Former White House intern Monica Lewinsky became the center of attention when her secret claims of having an affair with President Clinton surfaced. Special Prosecutor Kenneth Starr led a White House probe, while media and political pundits debated the veracity of the allegations. The president firmly denied the charges both publicly and in a historic grand jury deposition. Meanwhile, in a similar case, an Arkansas judge threw out the sexual harassment suit filed against the President by Paula Jones.

YOU Said...

WHO SAID: 2,256 STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE NATION

- 1 Drugs
- 2 Sex
- 3 Teen Pregnancy
- 4 Peer Pressure
- 5 AIDS

The Most Important Issues Facing Teens Today

The Silliest Trends of 1997

- 1 Electronic Pets
- 2 Bell Bottoms
- 3 Body Piercing
- 4 Platform Shoes
- 5 Dyeing Hair

The Most Influential Person of 1997

- 1 Princess Diana
- 2 Mother Teresa
- 3 Bill Clinton
- 4 Tiger Woods
- 5 Marilyn Manson



Chris Wagner/AP

The Tennessee Volunteers won their third-straight championship with a 93-75 win over Louisiana Tech in the Women's NCAA Tournament. The win capped a perfect 39-0 season, the most wins ever for a women's NCAA team. The championship was the sixth for the Lady Vols in the last 12 years.

The Spice Girls proudly display a pair of their trademark platform shoes during a promotion for the movie, "Spice World," the release of which followed the success of their self-titled debut album that sold more than 6 million copies.



Jean White/uz/AP

home three ESPYs for excellence in sports in February. Woods, the 1997 PGA Tour player of the year, shared male athlete of the year honors with Ken Griffey Jr., and also won performer of the year and showstopper of the year for his win at the Masters. ♦ A 5-year-old Florida girl was placed under arrest on felony charges

in February for allegedly biting and scratching a teacher. The girl went into a rage and attacked a kindergarten support teacher who tried to calm her. Facing a felony charge of battery of an educator, she was released into the care of her parents. The charges were later dropped. Appalled by the school's actions, the child's par-

Four students and a teacher were killed and 11 others were wounded at Westside Middle School in Jonesboro, Ark., when two boys opened fire on classmates after allegedly luring them outside with a false fire alarm. Authorities said the boys, 13 and 11, were friends and committed the crime to retaliate against the oldest boy's girlfriend, who had broken up with him. The Arkansas shooting was the year's fourth fatal shooting in a school.



"Grease," Hollywood's most profitable musical ever, was re-released in theaters in March for its 20th Anniversary. Fans of all ages flocked to see the movie, which featured a digitally remastered soundtrack. The scene inside most theaters was extraordinary with singing, clapping and dancing in the aisles. In its opening weekend, "Grease" rivaled the blockbuster "Titanic" in ticket sales. Since its debut in 1978, "Grease" has grossed more than \$340 million.

April 4th marked the 30-year anniversary of Martin Luther King Jr.'s assassination. Thousands converged on Memphis to honor the slain civil rights leader, who was shot to death on the balcony of the Lorraine Motel by James Earl Ray. Meanwhile, a former FBI agent who investigated the assassination revealed new evidence that supports Ray's claim of a government conspiracy. Ray, 70, in prison and dying of liver cancer, confessed to the killing, but later recanted. The agent said he found, and kept, two slips of paper in Ray's car, which he and his partner impounded. The slips of paper allegedly contain information that may bolster Ray's claim of a cover up.



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Jack Nicholson and Helen Hunt charmed movie audiences and Academy voters with their work in "As Good As It Gets," each taking home a best-acting Oscar for their stellar performances. Nicholson's win was his third, while Hunt won her first Academy Award.

ents pulled her and her sister out of the school and enrolled them elsewhere. ♦ NFL owners again rejected a proposal to bring back instant replay during a league meeting in March. The measure fell two votes short of the 23 votes it needed to pass. Nine teams turned down the latest proposal, a system that would have al-

lowed coaches a limited number of challenges per game to call for video review. ♦ A tornado ravaged eastern India in March, killing more than 200 people and destroying scores of villages. The deadly tornado carried with it winds in excess of 300 miles per hour. ♦ Russian President Boris Yeltsin made a bold move in March when

Blame It On El Niño



Mark Humphrey/AP



David Wipac/SYGMA

Heng-Ming Chen, a soft-spoken 42-year-old former professor from Taiwan, and his followers believed God would descend to Earth to save hundreds of millions from nuclear holocaust by whisking them away in flying saucers. Chen claimed to be the father of Jesus Christ and said that at 10 a.m. on March 31 God would assume his body. Acting on his word, 150 sect members left their lives in Taiwan and moved to Garland, Texas, to witness the arrival of God.



Bill Ebers/AP



Michael Chamewit/AP

El Niño was responsible for record rainfall amounts in California as storm after storm drenched the Pacific coast, causing widespread flooding and landslide damages. Swollen rivers caused several roads to collapse, leading to costly destruction and several deaths. In 1982, the last time El Niño surfaced, an estimated \$13 billion in damages was recorded worldwide. Experts believe damages this time around would be far worse.



AP/Wide World

El Niño-driven tornadoes walloped parts of central Florida in late February, killing more than 30 people and destroying hundreds of homes and businesses. As many as 12 tornadoes were recorded, one of which measured 200 yards wide with winds of 150 to 250 miles per hour. At the height of the storms, it was estimated that nearly 140,000 people lost power.

Rollerblading in February is not usually popular in Buffalo, N.Y. But with the effects of El Niño, Buffalo experienced unseasonably warm temperatures during most of the winter months. El Niño, the mysterious weather phenomenon that occurs every two to seven years, was predicted to be the "climate event of the century." Although residents of Buffalo might disagree, El Niño's return in 1997 was largely unwelcome.



In mid-March, a winter storm on the heels of an El Niño-related warm front dropped as much as 20 inches of snow and ice on areas of the Northeast and was responsible for more than 10 deaths. The swirling snow and bitter winds of this classic "Nor'easter" came after weeks of mostly mild temperatures, also credited to El Niño.

he fired his entire cabinet. Citing his attempt to try to jump start the country's plodding reforms, Yeltsin dismissed loyal Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin and his entire government. Conventional wisdom was that Chernomyrdin was destined to be Russia's next president, but Yeltsin's move threw wide open the race to elect his

successor in the year 2000. ♦Loyal football fans in Cleveland rejoiced in March when the NFL passed a measure to bring back the Browns. The city, which lost its team in 1996 when it relocated to Baltimore, will field an expansion team in the 1999 season known again as the Cleveland Browns.

Lasting Impressions

Lloyd Bridges, 85, actor

William S. Burroughs, 83, writer

Allen Ginsberg, 70, poet

Micheal Hutchence, 37, musician

Brian Keith, 75, actor

Michael Kennedy, 39, politico

Jack Lord, 77, actor

Burgess Meredith, 89, actor

James Michener, 90, writer

Robert Mitchum, 79, actor

Robert Palmer, 52, musician

Rob Pilatus, 32, musician

Betty Shabazz, 61, civil rights activist

Red Skelton, 84, comedian

Brandon Tartikoff, 48, T.V. executive

Paul Tsongas, 55, senator

Carl Wilson, 51, musician

Tammy Wynette, 55, musician

Henny Youngman, 92, comedian

Mitchell Levy/Globe Photos



Nomadic newsman Charles Kuralt, 62, died July 4 of heart failure. For 13 years, Kuralt hosted the CBS television program, "On the Road," sharing poetic stories of ordinary people and places along America's byways.

Chris Farley, 33, the over-the-top actor who spent four seasons on "Saturday Night Live" and later starred in several movies, died Dec. 18 in a Chicago apartment. The cause of death was determined to be an accidental overdose.

Congressman Sonny Bono's wife, Mary, kisses the casket of her late husband, while their daughter, Chianna, takes a moment to reflect, following Bono's funeral Jan. 9. The former entertainer and mayor of Palm Springs, Calif., was killed in a skiing accident.



Lennax McClelland/AP



Kevin Ojamaa/AP



John Swart/AP

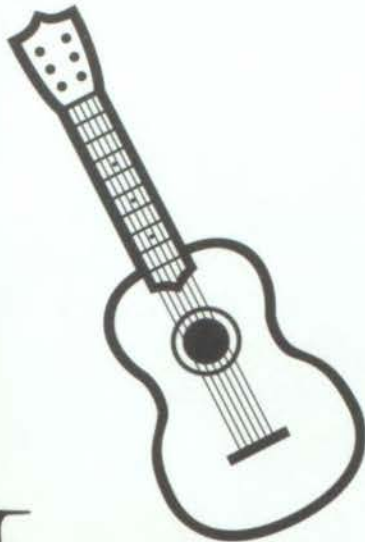
Legendary Chicago Cubs' broadcaster Harry Caray, 77, died four days after collapsing at a Valentine's Day dinner. Caray, whose seventh-inning stretch renditions of "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" became a cultural standard, spent 53 seasons broadcasting Major League Baseball.

Folk singer John Denver, 53, was killed Oct. 12 when his airplane crashed into California's Monterey Bay. Denver's homespun musical style was exemplified in hits such as "Thank God I'm a Country Boy" and "Rocky Mountain High."



David Zalubowski/AP

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Top 10 Albums for 1997
(Source: Billboard Magazine, Dec. 27-Jan. 3)

1. Spice-Girls
2. Tragic Kingdom-No Doubt
3. Falling into You-Celine Dion
4. Space Jam-Soundtrack
5. Pieces of You-Jewel
6. Blue-LeAnn Rimes
7. Bringing Down the Horse-The Wallflowers
8. Life After Death-The Notorious B.I.G.
9. Secrets-Toni Braxton
10. No Way Out-Puff Daddy and The Family

Formed in 1990, the

Dave Matthews band had released three albums and toured. Matthews, the founder, moved to America about 10 years ago.



Founder of a religious order of Roman Catholic nuns started in 1948, Mother Teresa died on Sept. 5 at age 87 of heart failure.



WNBA- Women's National Basketball Association completed its first season with an eight-team league. The Houston Comets won the championship game against the New York Liberty.

Whether it's strength in numbers, a few hours on the job with friends, or standing on your own, you are the one and only you

ONE & ONLY YOU



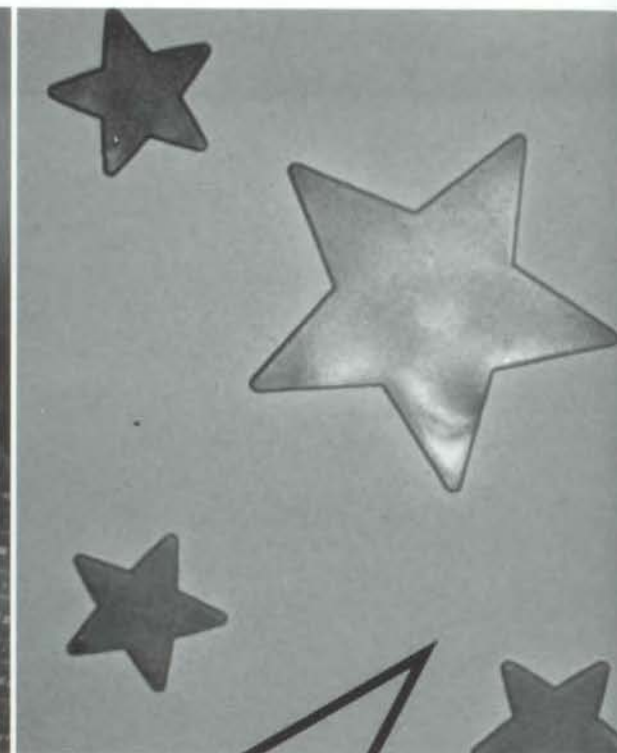
Matt Searcy, jr, at Shark's Surf Shop, debates whether to buy a shirt. This addition to Metro North Mall offered a variety of guys and girls alternative clothes. "Shark's was a fun, interesting place that was really different. I always bought something in there or at least looked around. I loved all of their Adidas stuff," Kim Martin, jr, said. Not only did Shark's sell clothing, but they also sold skateboards, shoes, and jewelry, making it one of the mall's most unique stores. **Photo by Jennipher Shaver**

Bang, bang! Two shots are fired and small yellow pellets dart through the air. Brad Swaters, jr, braces himself by a tree and aims at the enemy in the woods near the World's of Fun water tower. Girls participated in paint ball, too. "My brother and I dress up in my uncle's old marine camouflage and play. We even get up in the trees. It can sting if you get hit up really close," said Becky McDowell, jr. Another popular place to play was Jaegar's, which featured indoor facilities in a cave and outdoor fields. **Photo by Shaun Kennedy**



Although most girls generally got their nails done for special events such as Homecoming and Prom, more and more girls paid special attention to their nails on an everyday basis. Emily Cardwell, soph, said, "Girls should get their nails done anytime because it made you feel better about yourself. Having nails was fun." Nails may have been fun, but it could also get expensive at \$40-\$50 for sculptured nails with a \$20 fill every 2 weeks, and for those girls who broke a nail it was \$1-\$2 for every nail repaired. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**

At Standing Room Only, or SRO, Keri VanDierendonck, jr, and Laura Phillips, soph, try to decide, what flavor of "Saturdae" they would like to try. A Saturdae was a cup of frozen custard with a topping such as peppermint, banana, or Snickers, all mixed together. The store on the square was Liberty's only frozen custard shop. "The name's cool. It was my first time to go and it was sweet, no pun intended," raved sophomore Travis Pyle. **Photo by Jennipher Shaver**



When most people turn off their lights in their rooms at night, they see complete darkness, but the latest craze changed that. Glow-in-the-dark items became popular whether they were stars, bugs, spaceships, or flowers. "I have letters, stars, and animal prints that give character to my room. I fall asleep looking at them, and it's like falling asleep under the stars," said junior Heather Hutcheson. **Photo by Jenny deFlon**

In the winter when the weather gets frigid and the sky sprinkles snowflakes, it makes it difficult to get a good tan. To fix this problem many retreated indoors to tanning beds to regain their healthy glow of summer. Julie de la Fuente, jr, shown below, pays at Nutri-Tan for her tanning session. She was surprised to find that for this session she received a discount for Nutri-Tan's special winter deal. *Photo by Andrea Mallams*



Before the show, Melissa Cole, soph, Tracy Rychlewski, soph, and Kari Evans, soph, order snacks at B&B Theaters. Even though seeing a movie is generally associated as a date activity, many groups of friends spent time together at a theater on Friday or Saturday nights. "If you go with a group of people, it's a lot more fun. We usually go out to eat before the movie and then just hangout at someone's house afterwards," said Beatriz Gonzalez, soph. *Photo by Sarah Nelson*

Music talents of Matt Rumans, jr, Brendon Turpen, jr, and Mark Ellebracht, jr, joined together to form Pedestrian, an alternative rock band. "Being in a band is a lot harder than it looks. The practicing and writing that people don't see is very time consuming," said Rumans, jr. You could usually find them playing about once a month at Beanheads Coffee House on the square. The cover charge was generally \$1 to see them perform. **Photo courtesy of Brendon Turpen**



Crazyman, Dyrek Head, sr, is just one driver who sports individuality with a personalized license plate. "I like having a personalized license plate because everyone always knows who I am and knows me as the Crazyman," said Head. Personalized plates cost an additional \$30 to the regular price which, to some students, was an unnecessary cost. "It takes too much time to get one and it's too expensive. It's not worth it," said Lawrence Schwegle, jr. **Photo by Sarah Nelson**

Juniors Dara Kenealy, Clay Brown, and Erin Smith participate in a number game at Young Life. Every Wednesday everyone was welcome to come to a night of activities that ranged from singing songs, acting out skits, or listening to stories about God. "It was something to do on a weeknight, and I could see all my friends and have a really good time, too," said T.J. Johnson, sr. Each summer, Young Life also planned a trip for its members. Last summer it was a trip to Colorado.

Photo by Jason Noel



Teenagers may be characterized as always listening to rock and roll music, but seniors Bill Riley and Brandon Morgan joined to form the B&B Music Show on KCXL AM 1140. On the air they played anything from oldies to today's music. Listeners that called the show could request songs and win prizes. There was also a section of the program, theme hour, where they played a full hour of a special artist or a certain type of music.

Photo courtesy of Brandon Morgan

In the summer of '97 Sutherlands opened and brought plenty of jobs for students. Robert Hanson, sr, stocks shelves at the new store. Other jobs also required physical strength or stocking skills. "Everyday that I worked I used a little physical labor. I worked at the library and my job was to put the books on the shelves. It doesn't sound that physical, but some of those books could be quite heavy," said junior Stacey Minor. *Photo by Jason Noel*



Hard at work, Brandon Hickman, sr, cleans out the sink at Long John Silvers, just one preparation for closing. "Even with the occasional long lines, it isn't that hard of a job. I think it is well worth it when I go and cash my pay check," said Ross Bumgardner, jr, who works there, too. Where do most employees spend the money they earn? "I have a job so that I can have money to buy things and so I can keep my car running," said Sarah Fitzgerald, jr. *Photo by Jenny deFlon*

At Blockbuster Video, Luke Hiller scans a video for a customer. Many jobs required good personal skills for dealing with the public such as junior Megan Pearson's job. She worked with customers a lot because she worked as a waitress at Pizza Hut. "I did get annoyed with customers sometimes, but at other times it was kind of amusing what people would actually do. Overall I was happy with my job because I got paid, and I got to take home tip money every time I worked," said Pearson. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**



During the cold winter days it was hard to get outdoors to do your daily exercise routine. Andrew Rittersbacher, jr, however, found an alternative at the Liberty Community Center where he lifted weights and swam laps. About every other day, Jess Helton also used the Community Center to keep in shape. "Other days we would do some type of cardiovascular activity like skating so I could stay toned and let my stress out," said Helton. **Photo by Jennipher Shaver**

Throughout the year many students attended concerts such as 311, Wallflowers, and Counting Crows. Here Becky Crawford, soph, wears a 311 shirt she bought at the concert. Shirts were bought as souvenirs to show support and dedication to the band. Key chains, posters, stickers, patches, and stocking caps were a few of the other items sold. *Photo by Sarah Nelson*



Most people think of a backpack as just something to hold all of their books, but this year iron-on patches decorated many book bags, making it a new fashion trend which showed the personalities of the owners. The most common patches were butterflies, flowers and band names. "I would get patches on my backpack to make it more creative and to give style to the pack," said sophomore Carrie Boulware. *Photo by Katy Graber*

Buying clothes can get rather costly, but some found a way to cut down on the expense by going to thrift stores. Al Madden, jr. enjoys shopping at her favorite store, *Thrift Village*, for clothes that fit her personality. "I save money and have fun at the same time. I got this scarf there that I just love for only 79 cents," says Madden. **Photo by Jenny deFlon**



Dressing casually came easy to senior Chris Chiarelli with a black hooded Adidas sweatshirt and pants. Students dressed comfortably to be relaxed at school or when hanging out with friends. "I wore slick pants and sweat shirts all the time, mostly because I went to bed late and then got up late or I didn't feel like taking a lot of time to get ready for school," said Amanda Overstreet, sr. Adidas and Nike were two of the most popular types of comfortable clothing worn. **Photo by Kim Fitch**

What would Jesus do? Around school and local hangouts you could find numerous people with a bracelet or necklace with the W.W.J.D. logo on it. "I heard about it from youth group at Chandler Baptist Church and purchased my bracelet from the Family Bookstore in Independence Center. I believe in Jesus. The statement is a public symbol that I believe," said Matt Owen, soph. **Photo by Katy Graber**



Hats were a popular trend despite not being allowed in school. However, many clubs provided hat days. Teresa Darr, soph, and Amanda Pyne, soph, each brought a can of food to help the food drive and as a reward were able to wear their jester hats. Girls and guys also wore fisherman hats and baseball caps. John D'Attoma, soph, said, "Some girls look good in hats and if they do wear hats the hats should be from Abercrombie & Fitch and Gap." **Photo by Katy Graber**

Finding jewelry that matches everything can be difficult, but a plain hemp necklace or bracelet seemed to do the trick. Senior Kristy Wendt wore her necklace with a simple T-shirt. Some people even made their own instead of paying between \$5-10 for a necklace or bracelet. Hemp jewelry could be found at Claires and Afterthoughts. *Photo by Sarah Nelson*



ONE & ONLY — — — YOU

Your life is continually changing. You will go through many friends, several jobs, and numerous trends, but you will always be the one and only you!

To Count EVERYONE IN

The count down to the opening of school ended earlier than ever when students were greeted at orientation in August after only 69 days of summer. They were met by a different school photographer, just one of the changes for the 1997-98 school year. For the first time, Lifetouch Studios took all school pictures and the student ID's were shipped away to be processed. Students were issued temporary ID cards until the real ones came in, soon after the beginning of school.

The crowded hallways were a reminder of the chaos last year of the unfinished building, but the reason behind the congestion this time was the number of new students and sophomores. A ban on sitting in the halls was enforced to cut down on congestion.

Counting heads made it evident that the number of sophomores was greater than the juniors or seniors in class size, but the larger, now-completed school handled the influx of students. The amount of faculty also increased to fill students schedules. For the count there were 78 new students and 33 new staff members in the building. —Amie Vogt

USE OF THE LIBRARY required a pass and a time-stamp, the same as in past years. Matt Pallo and Jason McMichael, sophs, take advantage of their free time for library use. Photo by Kim Fitch





ESCAPING SCHOOL FOR A SUNNY AFTERNOON
Carmen Rivas, soph, and Analinda Palencia, sr, chat together. Congestion continued out of building, as students found ways home, whether by bus or car. Photo by Katy Graber

All for One

I think in the morning it should be okay for students to sit in the hallways if they would like.
Stephanie Salisbury, jr

Summer seemed short when you think about how it started in June and ended early in August.
Sara Robeson, jr



TAKING ADVANTAGE of the \$5 parking pass, Kurt Dearing, sr, drives his truck to school. Arriving early paid off, as students then would not have to park along the curb. Photo by Katy Graber

Fraternity, Sorority

A choice graduating seniors may have to make is to join a frat or sorority house. Do you know what these Greek Letters are?

- | | |
|-----------------------|----------|
| 1. Delta Zeta | A. ΡΓΔ |
| 2. Sigma Nu | B. ΑΓΔ |
| 3. Alpha Gamma Delta | C. Α Δ Π |
| 4. Kappa Alpha | D. ΖΤΑ |
| 5. Alpha Delta Pi | E. Σ Ν |
| 6. Lambda Chi Alpha | F. Κ Α |
| 7. Phi Gamma Delta | G. Λ C Α |
| 8. Zeta Tau Alpha | H. ΔΖ |
| 9. Tau Kappa Epsilon | I. ΣΦΕ |
| 10. Pi Kappa Alpha | J. ΣΣΣ |
| 11. Sigma Sigma Sigma | K. ΚΚΓ |
| 12. Kappa Kappa Gama | L. ΑΞΔ |
| 13. Alpha Xi Delta | M. ΠΚΑ |
| 14. Sigma Phi Epsilon | N. ΤΚΕ |

MANY STUDENTS HAVE TO DECIDE WHETHER OR not to join a fraternity or sorority when they move away to college. The Sigma Nu fraternity house is one of the many houses near or on William Jewell campus. The Sigma Nu Fraternity house is on many guy's lists of houses to check into, located on Jewel Street.

—Photo by Grant Hensel

Answers:

1-H, 2-E, 3-B, 4-F, 5-C, 6-G, 7-A, 8-D, 9-N, 10-M, 11-J, 12-K, 13-L, 14-I



"I would only live in a sorority house because all my friends want to be in one and I want to live with them, but I would rather get an apartment to share."

Tricia Wood, sr

"I would rather live in a sorority house because you get to meet new people and you are more involved with school functions. And there is more support."

Laura Probasco, sr

"I don't plan on being in a fraternity house because of the trouble that people get into when they belong to the different fraternities."

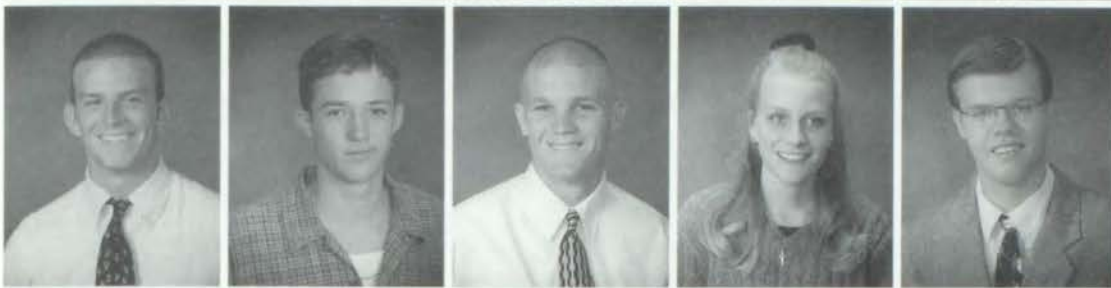
Chas Felkins, sr

"I would join a fraternity instead of living on my own or in a dorm room because I would rather not share a bathroom with a lot of people that I don't know."

Chris Vick, sr



Shenaz Abreo
Jennifer Adams
Jason Adamson
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Frank Ahlquist



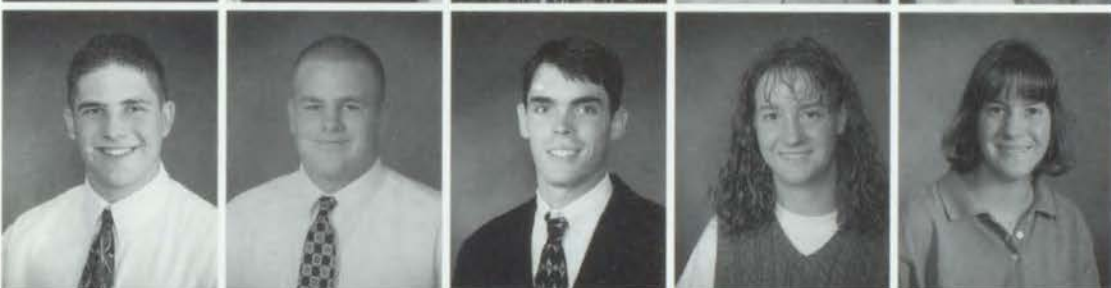
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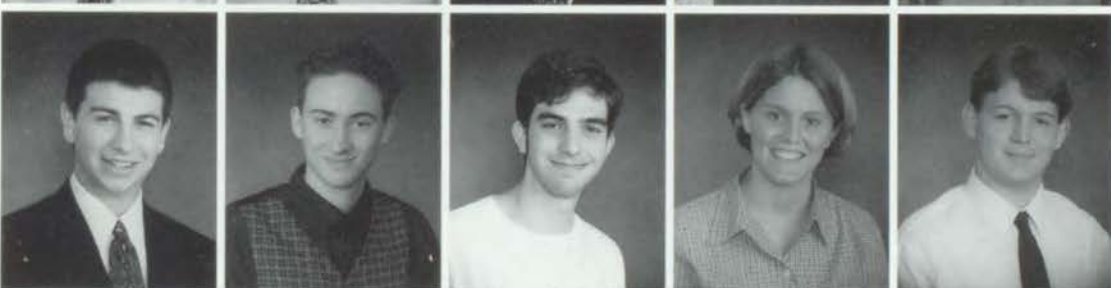
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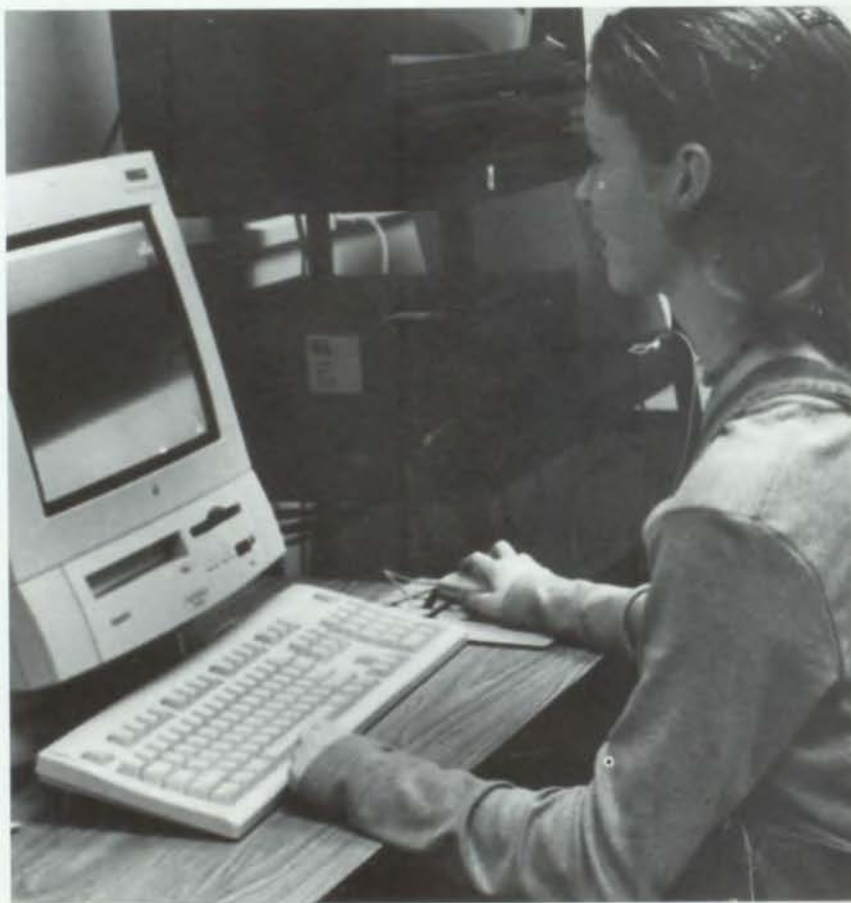
When will I ever get to see or hear from my little baby? Parents often wonder if students who go off to college will ever call or come home. Trisha Wood, sr, said, "If I'm not too busy with my school work, I will probably call home once or twice a week but it also depends on how much I miss them. If I miss them a lot, I will call home a lot or if I really miss them, I will make a special trip down to see them." Most said parents will be willing to pay for a calling card or a 1-800 number so their children will call home often.

Most students also said they will come home on holidays, too, so that they can catch up on the gossip and see their families. John Chambers, sr, said, "If I go out of state to college, I will call and write home often. The only thing I won't do is use the Internet. I wouldn't want to get addicted to the net." —Amanda Mauzey

Whether it's by e-mail, snail mail or phone call, all plan to keep in touch with family often after they move away

Twice a week expect some mail

JOLENE LYONS, SR, IS E-MAILING A LETTER TO her sister who is away at college. This is one way many seniors will keep in touch with their friends and relatives who are not nearby. "It costs more money to call and it's so much easier and faster to e-mail," said Lyons. "I also like to hear the 'you've got mail' when I sign on AOL."
—Photo by Katy Graber





John Brimer
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Michelle Brown
Jennifer Buford
Rachel Buhler



Megan Burnett
Connor Burns
Melissa Byler
Wes Byler
Michael Camp



Carrie Campbell
Erin Campbell
Robert Carey
Rebecca Carlton
Rebecca Champlin



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Christopher Chiarelli
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Alicia Clark



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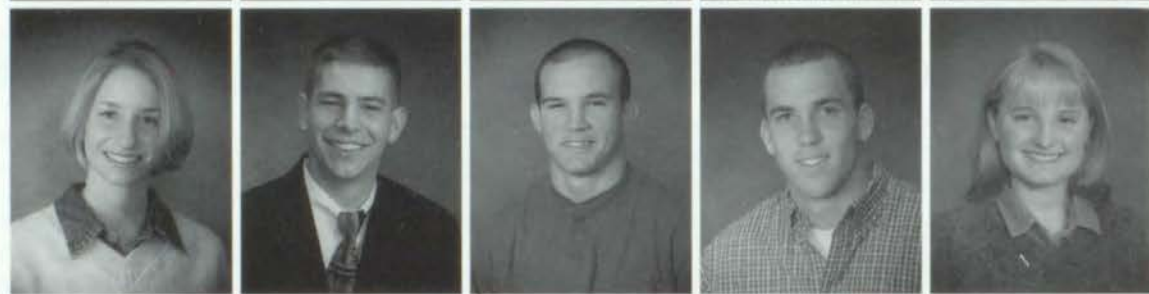
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Renee Easley
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Amy Elmore
 Dana Elmore
 Alan Emig
 Shea Evans
 Matthew Everett



Harmony Ewing
 Charles Felkins
 Sara Fermanian
 Katie Fernandez
 Jason Filbeck



*Regina Dierkens photo is on page 49.

Names for a J.O.B.

When people set out to choose a career, most don't exactly know what degree is needed. See if you can match the job acronyms below:

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|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| A. C.P.A. | 1. Doctor of Dental Science |
| B. Ph.D. | 2. Masters of Public Administration |
| C. M.A. | 3. Doctor of Optometry |
| D. B.A. | 4. Masters of Business Administration |
| E. M.D. | 5. Doctor of Philosophy |
| F. O.D. | 6. Licensed Practical Nurse |
| G. D.D.S. | 7. Emergency Medical Technician |
| H. M.P.A. | 8. Master of Arts |
| I. C.F.P. | 9. Doctor of Veterinary Medicine |
| J. M.B.A. | 10. Certified Public Accountant |
| K. L.P.N. | 11. Certified Financial Planner |
| L. E.M.T. | 12. Doctor of Medicine |
| M. D.V.M. | 13. Bachelor of Arts |



SOME SENIORS ALREADY HAD plans to attend college to become a D.V.M. or C.P.A. Others worried about just getting into the college they wanted to go to, let alone knew what they were going to study when they got there. Senior Trevor Allison sits down with Head Counselor Keith Elmore to fill out a college application. — Photo by Katy Graber

Answers:
 1-G, 2-H, 3-F, 4-J, 5-B,
 6-K, 7-L, 8-C, 9-W, 10-A,
 11-I, 12-E, 13-D

"I plan on attending Truman to become an M.B.A. I love working with people and also like to organize. I want to go into public relations."

Holly Moore, sr

"I want to become a high school teacher. I'm going to MU to receive a B.S. in education. I think it would be a fun job to work with kids."

Brendan Fletcher, sr

"Working with people and helping them are two things I enjoy to do. I plan to become an R.N. at Truman and want to go into obstetrics."

Allison Minks, sr

"Becoming a performing musician is what I've always wanted to do. I plan to get an M.A. at MU and then to go on to Julliard."

John Chambers, sr

Essay Requirements: Write a self-description. In your own words describe yourself and your achievements. Why are you special? What is it that makes you stand out from other students?

Here's a sample college essay that's less than ideal

My mother always said that your personal experiences help shape who you are today. She usually reminded me of this belief every time something bad would happen, adding the comment, "Oh honey, (bad experience goes here) just builds character." Well, through all of my experiences, good and bad, I've built a lot of character and a lot of traits of which I'm very proud.

For instance, I am involved in many activities. My most distinguished achievements are alternate photographer and hall monitor. I am also a member in Spanish Club, German Club, French Club, Debate, Forensics, Serteens, PTSA, Scholar Bowl, Band, Environmental Club, Key Club, International Club, and a camera man for KLHS-TV. I have successfully maintained a 2.15 grade average this semester. If I could, I would take strictly AP classes because I enjoy the challenges in school and love to learn.

I am also involved in many varsity sports. This year I took photos of the boys swim team, was an assistant manager for track, and road the bus to state with cross country. On the cross country bus I led chants and songs and was given the title, "Best Cheerleader," by the varsity boys. It was my job to keep the runners' spirits up and I like to think that my cheers helped the boys take 4th at state. My favorite sport was football. I was the official and first ever water-girl for the football team. It took a lot of responsibility to get water bottles to every football player, but I did it. I had the dedication and drive to keep the football team

Just what colleges want to hear

hydrated. Sports have taught me to always do my best and that cooperation and team work is the key component to success. Many of my leadership skills have come from sports.

Through all of these activities and experiences, I have become a well-rounded individual. I thrive on creativity and love the arts. In fact, my drawings on the inside of my locker were recognized by the principal. I sewed costumes for our school musical last year and loved it. Yes, the lion costume I made for the Wizard of Oz took countless hours of backbreaking labor, and over 75 neckties, but seeing it on stage was the best feeling in the world. I enjoy music as well. I always have the radio on in the car and listen to a variety of music by flipping through all of the stations at least once every 10 minutes.

I embrace new challenges, like memorizing my social security number. I also am eager to try new things. For example, I tried 12 different kinds of cheeses in French Club last September. I care about the community and do lots of volunteer work. My favorite is dishing out mashed potatoes at the homeless center and playing with Lucky, the three-legged dog, at the animal shelter. I believe I have acquired the leadership skills for success in later life. I want to go to college to pursue my dream of success and continue my learning. —By Jennifer Shaver



Robert Fischer
Sara Fisher
Kimberly Fitch
Jacob Fitzgerald
Brendan Fletcher



Eric Flickinger
Cassie Ford
Krista Ford
John Foster
David Frazier



Amber Fredlund
Michael Friedrich
April Fulks
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Kimberly Gibbs
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Jason Griffis



Ryan Grimm
Shawnda Gross
Ami Grotjan
Laura Grotz
Duane Gust



Jennifer Ham
Charles Hammond
Jennifer Hannah
Bradley Harnish
Troy Hawkins

The cost of **14** colleges

If you have been studying college costs, then you should know how to match these tuition prices

- | | | |
|-----|--------------------------------|-------------|
| 1. | Texas A & M University | A. \$2,310 |
| 2. | Central Mo State University | B. \$2,038 |
| 3. | University of Mo-Columbia | C. \$1,752 |
| 4. | Standford University | D. \$1,584 |
| 5. | University of Kansas | E. \$17,103 |
| 6. | Ohio State University | F. \$2,085 |
| 7. | North Carolina University | G. \$2,709 |
| 8. | University of Nebraska-Lincoln | H. \$10,060 |
| 9. | University of Georgia | I. \$18,669 |
| 10. | Boston College | J. \$3,765 |
| 11. | Kansas State University | K. \$2,775 |
| 12. | Illinois State | L. \$3,087 |
| 13. | Colorado State University | M. \$2,352 |
| 14. | William Jewell College | N. \$3,415 |

Senior Amber Derryberry claps while watching the Missouri Tigers football game. Derryberry was visiting the University of Missouri-Columbia with friends Emily Craven, sr, and Kim Fitch, sr. They spent some time staying in dorms and experiencing a little taste of college life. Traveling to different colleges can be helpful to college bound students. — **Photo by Kim Fitch**

Answers:

1-C, 2-A, 3-J, 4-I, 5-B, 6-L, 7-D, 8-K, 9-M, 10-E, 11-F, 12-N, 13-G, 14-H



"I plan to attend William Woods University in Fulton Missouri to become a sign language interpretor. The cost is around \$17,500."

Rachel Crossett, sr

"With scholarships potentially from clarinet, flag core, or ACT scores, I will be able to pay for the University of Missouri-Columbia."

Ellie Mosher, sr

"I'm not sure what college I want to go to, but I'm interested in colleges that are affordable and will provide a good education."

Kyle Daily, sr

"I want to attend Southwest Baptist University which is about two hours away from home. The cost is about \$12,000 a year."

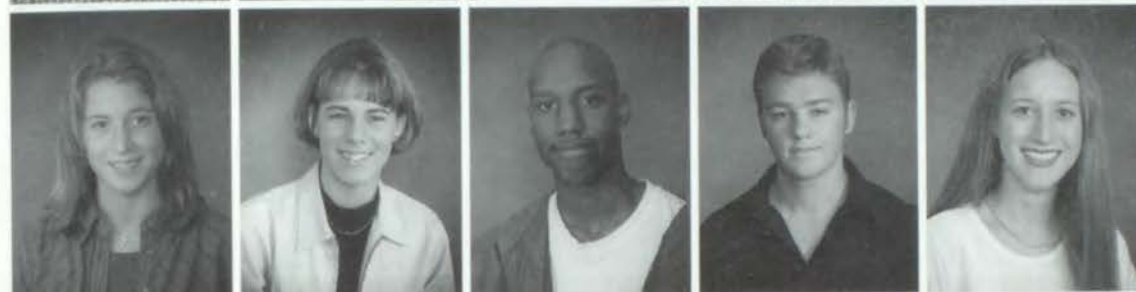
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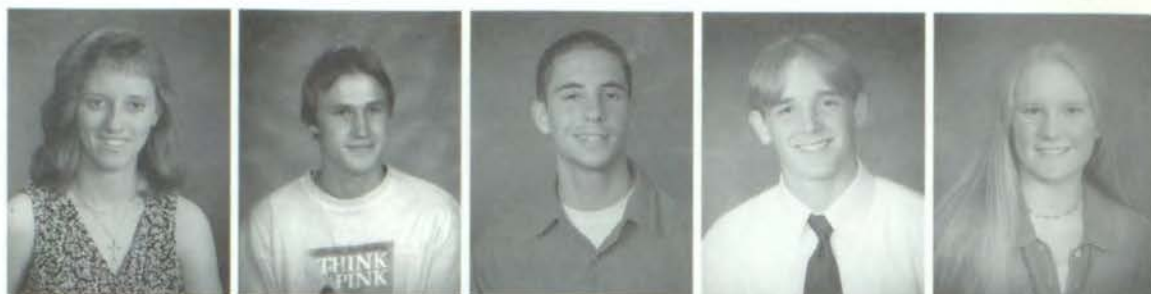


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Christine Lehnardt
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Benjamin Lucas
Lindsay Lund



Jolene Lyons
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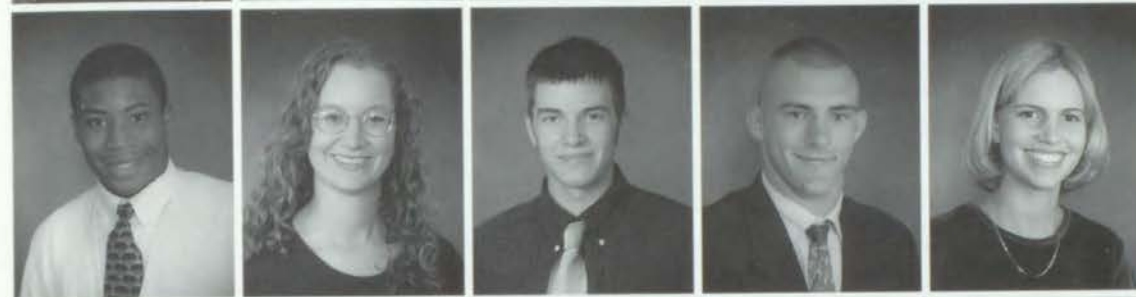
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Finding a roommate is very scary, not knowing who or WHAT you'll end up with. "I know it sounds silly, but trust me. The lessons you learn from your roommate will be some of the most valuable lessons you will learn while you're in college." Jealaine Vaccarro, '97— Photo By Neil Bradshaw

Five Graduates give advice

"Even for people who have shared a room with siblings, sharing a room with a complete stranger, as one must do in college, is totally different."

Lauren Tucker, '97

"Definitely go potluck or at least don't be friends with them going into school. If you have a strong friendship, it can make matters worse."

John Peter, '97

"There is not a set rule on whether or not to room with a friend in college. It all depends on the two people's give and take and toleration."

Jeanne Wilhite, '97

"Get the rules of the room set right off. Try to find things in common and go on those. Respect their feelings and privacy. Try to talk about your wants."

Trisha Bauer, '97

Now it is time to find a roommate. Before you make a final decision, read what the experts have to say

Goodbye Blue Jay

Can you recognize a college because of its mascot? Take this quiz to see if you know many of these popular college symbols

1. Cardinals
 2. Tiger
 3. Wildcat
 4. Huskers
 5. Mules
 6. Cyclones
 7. Jayhawk
 8. Kangaroos
 8. Fighting Irish
 10. Wolverines
 11. Razorbacks
 12. Aggies
 13. Griffons
 14. Bulldogs
- A. University of Kansas
 - B. Notre Dame
 - C. BYU
 - D. Missouri Western
 - E. University of Arkansas
 - F. Central Missouri State
 - G. University of Michigan
 - H. University of Missouri
 - I. William Jewell College
 - J. Kansas State University
 - K. UMKC
 - L. Nebraska University
 - M. Iowa State
 - N. Texas A&M

When you first walk in the LHS building you see this blue jay crest on the floor, which represents our school. All throughout your high school lives, you have seen this friendly big blue bird at football and basketball games, pep assemblies, and around the school. Do you know what mascot will be in your future? — Photo by Katy Graber

Answers:

1-1, 2-H, 3-J, 4-L, 5-F, 6-M, 7-A, 8-K, 9-B, 10-G, 11-E, 12-N, 13-D, 14-C



"My favorite mascot would probably have to be the Wake Forrest Demon Deacons because it is a different kind of mascot and unique is good."

Reneé Krohne, sr

"A mascot is important because it is how other schools recognize you. It makes your school stand out from the rest."

Shannon
McDonough, sr

"A mascot gives you pride in your school and it makes the game more exciting because it pumps up the people in the crowd."

Chris Rouse, sr

"I like the blue jay as a mascot. It isn't as scary like the tiger, but it could be worse. Liberty is known as the Blue Jay and I couldn't imagine it otherwise."

Gina Mumpower, sr



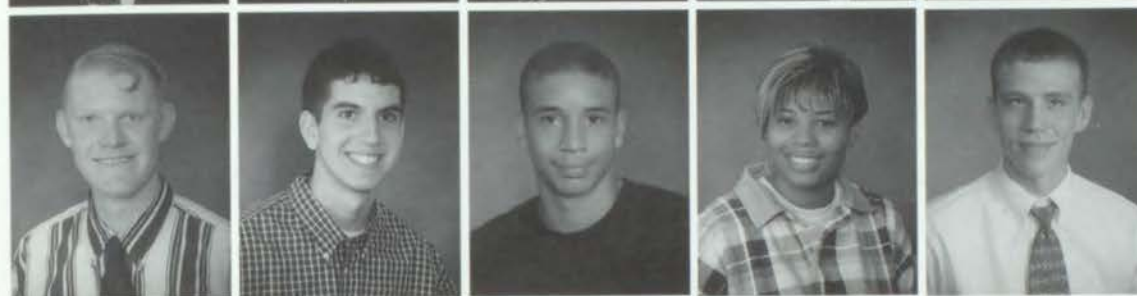
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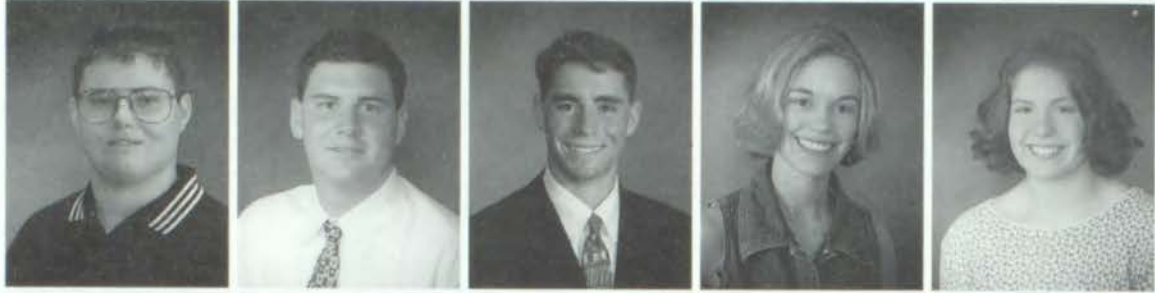


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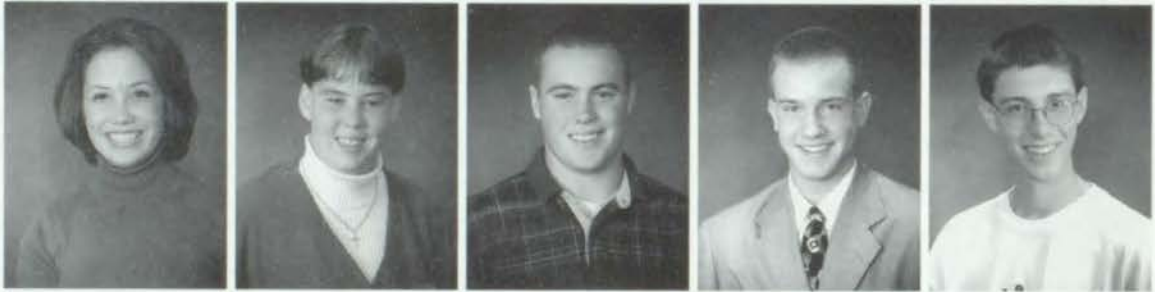
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Carol Wade
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 Tiffany Warnes
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■ **Zach Ager**—StuCo, Debate & Forensics, Plays ■ **Frank Ahlquist**—Tennis, Baseball ■
Justin Allen—Football, Baseball ■ **Ryan Allen** ■ **Trevor Allison**—Track, Football ■ **Amy**
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■ **Niki Barton** ■ **Crystal Bass**—Volleyball ■ **Micah Beatty**—Cross Country, Track & Field,
Environmental Club ■ **Beth Benner**—Musical, NHS ■ **Amber Benson**—Symphonic Band,
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ish Club ■ **Brad Blackburn**—Baseball ■ **Michael Blodgett**—Concert Choir, Forensics, Musi-
cals ■ **Corey Boatman** ■ **Scott Bogart** ■ **Jay Boothman** ■ **Janet Boschert**—Cross Country,
Serteens, NHS ■ **Jennifer Boschert**—Cross Country, NHS, Serteens ■ **Neil Bouhan**—StuCo,
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■ **Tabitha Messinger**—Sophomore Choir, Concert Choir, Musical ■ **Amanda Meyer** ■
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Milne ■ **Allison Minks**—Trend, SADD, Cross Country ■ **Brad Mitchell**—Swimming ■
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Mountain ■ **Gina Mumpower**—Symphonic Band, Key Club, French Club ■ **David**
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Shantel Slaughter ■ **Mike Smith** ■ **B.J. Snopek**—Serteens, NHS ■ **Brandi Spencer** ■
Brianne Stallsworth—SADD ■ **Ryan Stegall**—Baseball, Basketball ■ **Nathan Steinmeyer**
■ **Ryan Stephens**—Football, Baseball, Intramural Basketball ■ **Patricia Stevens** ■
Marsha Stevenson ■ **Jennifer Strange**—Women's Choir, Serteens, Advanced Accounting
■ **Lisa Streeter**—Softball ■ **James Summers** ■ **Amber Sutton** ■ **Stephen Tatum**—
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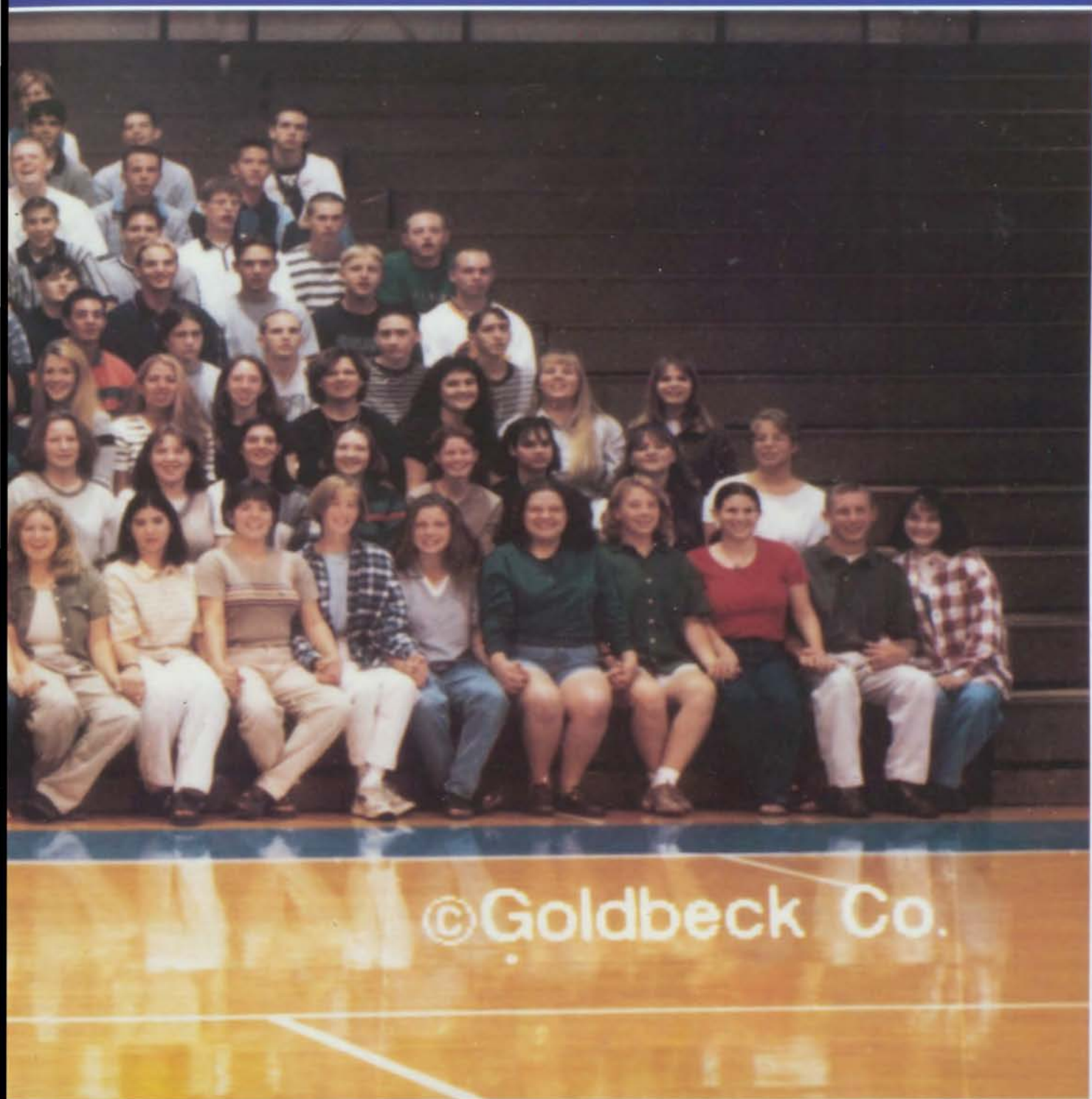
The 1998 Senior Class

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s of Liberty High School

*When this picture was taken
in September, 372 seniors were enrolled.
They all hoped to graduate 180 days later.*



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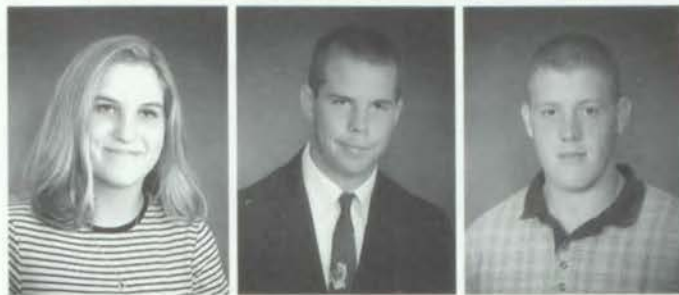
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Theatre ■ **Tricia Wood** ■ **Jamie Woods**



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Don Williams
Tawni Williams
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Christopher Anderson
Roseanna Barnes
Robert Benson
Micheal Blodgett
Scott Bogart
Jay Boothman
Catheryne Brockhaus
Greg Bumgarner
Micheal Burgees
Alan Bush
Jason Callies
Tricia Campbell
John Chambers
Sara Clark
Lonny Cook
Sara Cuppy
Darrell Dearborn
Jack Delay
Shawna Dodd

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Candice Hinson
Christina Huenfeldt
Jasmine Irick
Russell Johnson
T.J. Johnson
Russell Keller
Timothy Lehman
Amy Leverknight
Stephen Locke
Hannah Lomas
Aaron Marrero
Charles Martin

Christopher McClendon
Jessica McGowan
Adrian Mendoza
Justin Milne
Bradley Mitchell
Paul Mooney
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Gina Mumpower
Charles Parker
Aaron Poitras
Cindi Seidel
Jim Siefkas
Bobbie Sinkhorn
Jonathon Slaughter
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Regina Dierkens
(The Spectator apologizes for the incorrect order of this photo.)

AT A GIRL SCOUT MEETING, KATIE DAVIS, jr, makes banana boats with her troop. The troop volunteered to do many activities which helped others in the community. They have helped at a Brownie event, Owl Prowl and camps. —Photo by Crystal Lovell



Q & A Lending a helping hand

Q What has been your best or worst experience when you volunteered to help another organization and why?

[My best experience was] when we sang Christmas songs and we acted out the *Twelve Days of Christmas* while we were bell-ringing at Hy-Vee. It made people happy and they started singing with us.
Holly Eisenlohr, jr

We went to the City Union Mission and this guy wanted to fight our youth leader because he didn't believe part of the Bible.
Heather Simmons, jr

Q How often did you volunteer and what types of work did you volunteer to do?

I volunteered all the time. I rang bells, sorted food, and shopped for families for the Community Christmas Tree. I sorted when they brought items in for the Liberty Recycling Center. I also [worked] at Martha LaFite in the Fairy Tale Forest.
Jenny Cooper, jr

I volunteered quite a bit doing music stuff. I played handbells and the trombone during church services.
Tim Eymann, jr

Q What have you gained from your experiences volunteering?

By teaching the basic Spanish language, alphabet and numbers, and stuff about the culture to fifth graders every Wednesday after school, I guess it's helped me decide what I want to do when I grow up which is be a Spanish teacher.
Alaina Kennedy, jr

Happiness—It makes me feel good. I think people look at it as work, but if you actually do it you gain stuff.
Julie Barchers, jr



Jason Abel
 Amy Adams
 Austin Alefs
 Melissa Allen
 Morgan Amick
 Ashly Anderson



Tyler Anderson
 Rebecca Anderson
 Ryan Anderson
 Antonia Andrews
 David Baker
 Kimberly Baker



Dennis Banks
 Julie Barchers
 Michael Batcheller Jr.
 Neil Battrum
 Shalisa Beecher
 Robert Benavidez



Derricka Bendure
 Todd Benson
 James Bergner
 Cassandra Berry
 Julie Blydenburgh
 Allen Bodine Jr.



John Bodnar
 Britni Boggess
 Brett Bolander
 Christopher Bolin
 Thomas Booth
 Davina Borkowski



Levi Bowers
 James Bowles
 Jannie Bowman
 Neil Bradshaw
 Brian Brane
 Becky Breiner



Jason Breit
 Mark Bross
 Clayton Brown
 Lindsay Brown
 Amanda Brunz
 Jeremy Buchholz



Ross Bumgarner
 Amanda Burch
 Jeremiah Burnham
 Heather Cadwalader
 Katherine Calder
 Meghan Callahan

In November I went to the cardiologist. He told me what I had known since I was two years old. I have Wolf Parkinson White Syndrome, a syndrome where the heart has an extra pathway in its normal electrical system which can cause the heart to race in stressful or physically intense situations. However, he added a new twist to my heart condition. He told my parents and me that I now had a life-threatening case.

The shock of this news hit my parents and me hard. I was dumbfounded, scared, and confused all at the same time. I was sitting in the small office of the doctor thinking, *This cannot be happening to me. I've been told my whole life that it is not life-threatening.* The words life-threatening echoed in my ears. I remembered all the

One Broken

Heart

A change of heart allowed me to live the way I wanted

times my heart raced, at school, at home, during a tennis match in which I

continued playing. I could have lost my life at any one of those moments. So I knew I had to have my condition fixed.

The doctor explained that there was a procedure to correct WPW. It involved inserting catheters into my leg and

moving them up through my blood vessels into my heart to damage the extra pathway with radio frequency energy. Of course I wouldn't feel a

thing and would sleep through most of the procedure. The main risk was that if

the doctor did damage my heart during the procedure, I would have to have a pacemaker. This idea terrified me. I did not want to be a 16 year-old girl with a pacemaker, but I also didn't want to limit my life and my activities forever.

After talking it over with my parents, it felt like the only choice. We told the doctor I wanted it done and he immediately set up an appointment for December 4. This gave me 3 weeks to sit and wait. Looking back, that was the hardest part of the whole thing. The closer surgery got, the more nervous I became. My friends and family were great. They gave tons of support and love. By the day of the surgery I was convinced this was going to improve my life.

Surgery lasted 8 hours. That's a long time on the operating table, but everything turned out well. The doctor found three extra pathways and was able to collapse two. The third is very weak and will be controlled with medication.

I was relieved when I woke up from the anesthetic knowing that I didn't have a pacemaker and that I could resume all normal activity within 48 hours. I no longer had a life-threatening condition.

During my recovery I slept a lot and friends entertained me with movies. For the first two days I had a little trouble walking because of the soreness of my incisions, but after a mere weekend of recovery you never could have guessed what I had been through. Now I have a regular heartbeat and can participate in any activity including tennis. And now I appreciate my heart every time it beats. — Jennifer Shaver



Bryan Campbell
 Nicholas Campbell
 Ted Campbell
 Tracy Carkeek
 Ashley Carnahan
 Michael Caruso



Jennifer Cashatt
 Aaron Chabak
 Michael Cheney
 Amy Christensen
 Robert Clark Jr.
 Eric Clemenson



Misty Cleveland
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Steven Colwell
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 Kristin Crum
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Katie Davis
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 Janelle Deal
 Amanda Dean
 Regina Dean



James Decker
 Jennifer de Flon
 Sara de Flon
 Julie de la Fuente
 Westen Detrick
 Cara Dewey



Jason Dewitt
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 Clinton Dorsey
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 Dustin Heitman
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Channing Johnson
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 Jay Johnson
 Jeremy Johnson
 Kyle Jones
 Alexa Jones



Jamal Joynes
 Stephen Kelly
 Dara Kenealy
 Alaina Kennedy
 Shaun Kennedy
 Nathan Kincaid

CRYSTAL LOVELL, JR, SELECTED THE CHALLENGE of adding AP Calculus to her schedule. Many juniors do take AP classes if they have met the requirements needed to take AP Biology, Chemistry, English, History or Physics, or College Comp.
—Photo by Andrea Mallams



Q & A What class should I take?

Q What things do you consider to help you decide which classes to take?

A I tend to let my future career plans and goals influence what I take so I can start preparing for my job later in life.
Aaron Chabak, jr

I think about what the class can offer and what I will learn. If I have heard that a certain class is extra hard than I tend to stay away from it unless it deals with my future plans.
Megan McGinty, jr

Q What tips can you give for other students when it is time for them to start picking classes?

A Don't try picking something you don't enjoy because you won't enjoy learning and you will probably end up not paying attention in class.
Jennifer Martinez, jr

I think a person should consider taking classes that aren't easy. They shouldn't take a class just because they think they would get a good grade and they won't have to work that hard.
Jonathan Morgans, jr

Q What kind of classes are you taking that aren't required and why?

A I'm taking study hall so I can focus on doing my homework and studying for upcoming tests. I think it is a good idea to take some kind of study hall because I think I work better.
Kenny Gillespie, jr

Team sports because it keeps me in shape while I'm not performing any type of exercise in the fall or winter.
Cliff Smith, jr



Heather Kindberg
 Clarence Tripp
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 Michaelle Knaggs
 Brandon Knutson
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 Michael McCollum
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Gabriel McCubbin
 Brandon McCulloh
 Becky McDowell
 Rebbecca McDowell
 Joseph McElfish
 Leigh McFarland



Megan McGinty
 Austin McKinnis
 Daniel Mendala
 Adrian Mendoza
 Luke Meriwether
 Latisha Merritt

AROUND CHRISTMAS TIME STORES NEED MORE employees to help out. Kate Short, jr, works at Holiday Ham at Metro North Mall. Her job description ranged from selling ham to helping customers find that special gift.
—Photo by Kim Fitch



Quiz Today's career paths

Q What fraction of the American work force has worked at McDonald's at least once during their lifetime?

- A 1/16
- B 1/4
- C 1/8

Q What did the minimum wage change to in July of 1997?

- A \$4.75
- B \$5.25
- C \$5.15

Q Which is expected to be the fastest growing occupation during the years 1994-2005?

- A Personal and home health-care aides
- B Correctional officers
- C Computer engineers

"In the next ten years the fastest growing jobs will be lawyers because everyone is trying to get ahead of the world and get money." —Tom Booth, jr.

A Few Words
"Psychology will grow because some people enjoy listening to other people's problems and like to give their opinions." —April Gordon, jr.

Answers from Career Path and courtesy of McDonald's

Answers:
1.C, 2.C, 3.A



Angie Milks
 Kristen Miller
 Michelle Miller
 Robert Miller
 Ashley Milne
 Stacey Minor



Scott Moberly
 Joshua Moree
 Johnathan Morgans
 Jessica Morman
 Matthew Morris
 Nicholas Morris



Martha Morrison
 Ryan Muchowski
 Jennifer Mueller
 Amber Mulvaney
 Stephanie Murdock
 Jennifer Mutis



Steven Neal
 Michael Neill
 Sarah Nelson
 Kurt Nielsen
 Mica Nitsch
 Matthew Noble



Kate Nowatzke
 Katy O Kane
 Amy Oberkrom
 Christina Obley
 Kara Odneal
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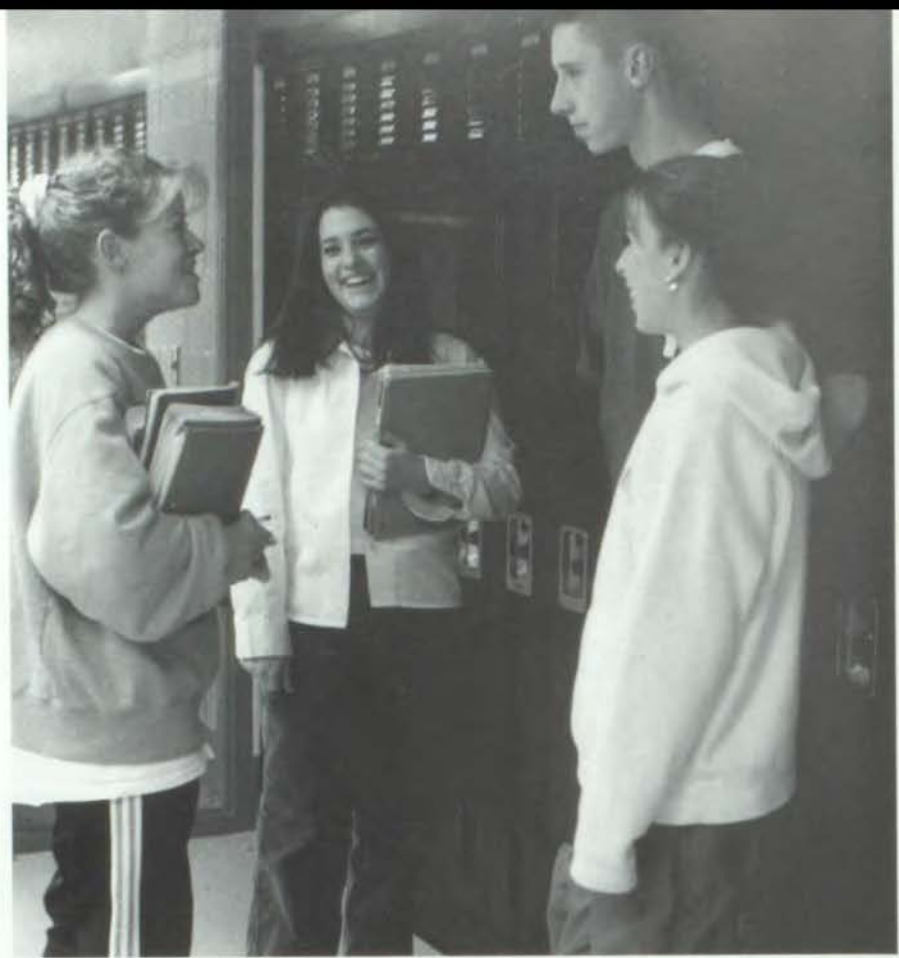
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 Timothy Patten
 Jill Payton
 Kyle Payton
 Megan Pearson
 Christopher Peters



Brandon Pierce
 Aubrey Powers
 Mitchell Pruett
 Christina Quiroz
 Errie Raasch
 Adam Reaves

PASSING PERIODS CAN BE SPENT WITH friends visiting each others' lockers to catch up on things. Amanda Hawkins, Andrea Hansen, Austin Alefs, and Melissa Hernandez, jrs, stop and socialize for a few minutes.

—Photo by Andrea Mallams



From grade school to high school we faced new courses, buildings, new atmospheres, and new teachers. Yet the one thing that often remained the same was friendships. From the first day of kindergarten to the last day of high school, a best friend was probably standing right beside us.

"My best friend and I have been friends for at least nine years. I think the reason why we have been friends so long is because we understand each other well," said Britni Boggess, jr. "One night my friends and I drove down to Crown Center even though we weren't sure where it was. It was a good bonding experience."

When friends get together, often they can be themselves and act naturally.

"My best friend and I went to Branson together and went on a pontoon boat and later cliff diving. It was funny because I had to go first because my friend was too scared to go when she saw the cliff," said Michelle Fulks, jr.

Friends are there for the good times and the bad, too. When we needed a shoulder to lean on, our friends were there for support.

"My friends were really supportive when my cousin died. I felt a lot better having them there to comfort me," said Fulks.

What makes a true friend? Depending on the person, the definition may vary.

"A true friend is someone who doesn't look at outward appearances but who looks on the inside. They like you because you like the same things, and no matter what you do or say they stick up for you because you're their friend. That's a true friend," said Josiah

James, jr. — By Cari Colgan

Three True

friendships

From
childhood
to high
school
friends
remain



Michael Rector
 Erin Reed
 Christopher Reese
 Carolyn Reid
 Sara Revella
 Jesse Riggs



Aarin Rinas
 Brady Ritter
 Andrew Rittersbacher
 Sara Rittersbacher
 Christine Rizer
 Andrea Roberts



Breanne Robertson
 Sara Robeson
 David Robinson
 Tanisha Robinson
 Genea Rohrs
 Ben Rose



Benjamin Rose
 Matthew Rumans
 Chad Running
 Kyle Sajevic
 Stephanie Salisbury
 Joshua Sambursky



Kaycee Sandridge
 Daniel Sarver
 Dustin Sasek
 Leslie Scarborough
 Lauren Scharhag
 Lawrence Schwegler



Erin Scott
 Mathew Searcy
 Adawn Searles
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 James Sercu
 Sarah Shade



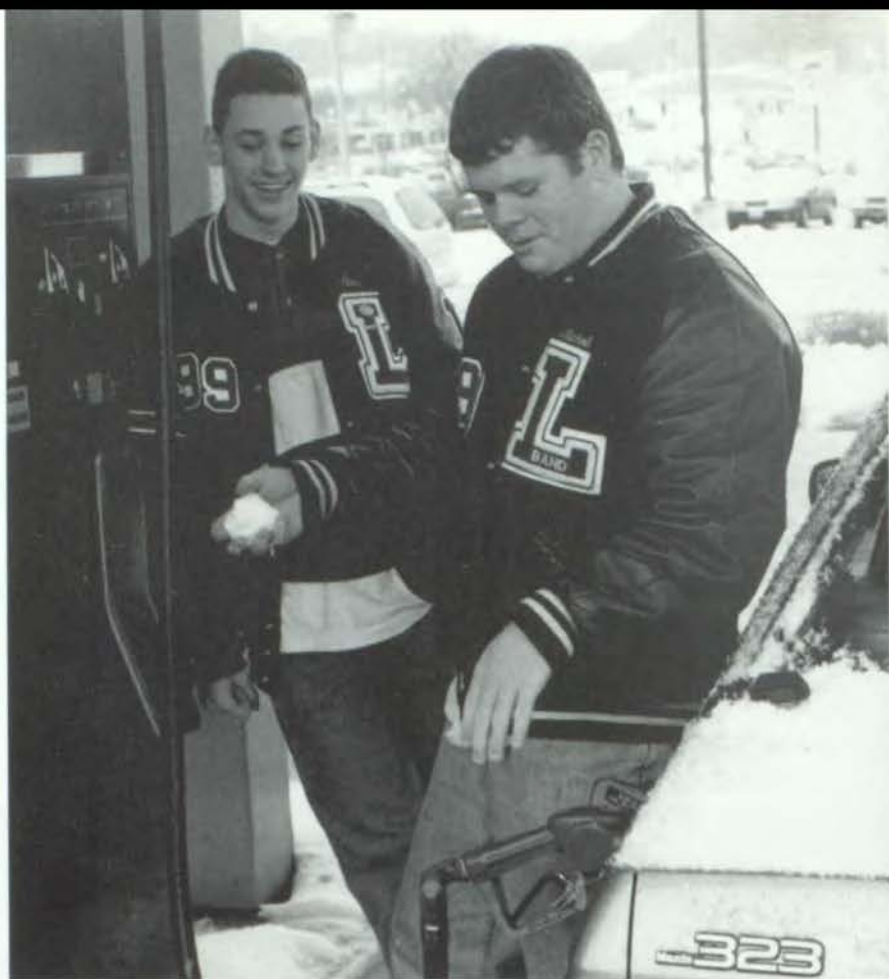
Matthew Shaffer
 Jacob Shanks
 Brandy Shannon
 Brooke Sharp
 Jennipher Shaver
 Kim Shaver



Meagan Sherbo
 Andrew Shoemaker
 Natalie Shore
 Katherine Short
 Anna Shull
 Allan Shurtz

JUNIORS MITCH HISER AND CHRIS PETERS, fill up Hisers '88 Mazda 323 at Texaco. His grandpa and grandma bought it for him. "I have to pay for gas some of the times. If I'm out of money I ask my grandparents and they help me."

—Photo by Sarah Shade



Q & A Between full and empty

Q Have you ever asked any one for gas money if they ride in your car? Has any one ever asked you to give them money?

A I have never asked any one to give me money for gas. I think it's really rude. I have never been asked to give money to anyone for gas but if they were almost out and they really needed it then I would be nice and give them money.

Andrea Roberts, jr

I would never ask anyone to give me gas money because I think it is really rude. I have been asked to give gas money a few times.

Kyle Jones, jr

Q Where do you get your gas? Does the price of gas affect your choice on where you go to buy gas?

A I never let the tank go under half a tank so the price doesn't really matter where I get it. I only end up putting \$10 in any ways. I usually get my gas at Phillips 66 no matter what.

Stephanie Salisbury, jr

I usually get my gas at ASAP. The price of gas doesn't really affect where I get gas. The price of gas is usually the same at all gas stations just a little different.

Nina Goodpasture, jr

Q Have you ever run out of gas? If so where—and what did you do?

A Britni Boggess and I were on a double date with a couple of guys from Truman High School. We were on I-35 on our way to Timber Ridge Golf Course, when we ran out of gas. We had to walk down the highway with cars flying by us really fast. It took about 15 minutes because we had to cross both lanes of traffic during rush hour. I couldn't wait to get to the nearest gas station.

Sara Robeson, jr



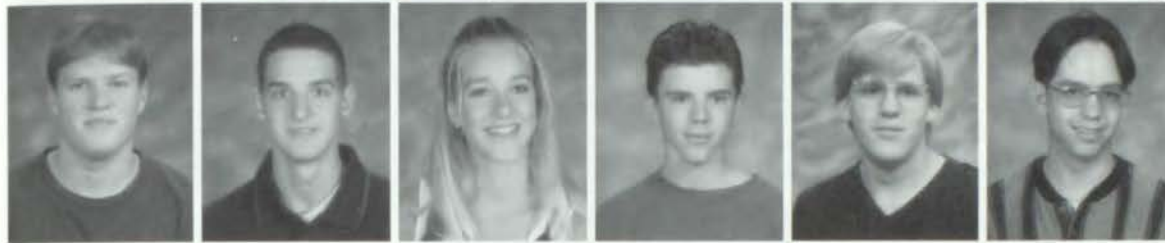
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 Misty Simmons
 Mark Slate
 Brittany Smith
 Clifton Smith



Holly Smith
 Christopher Snider
 Tara Southwick
 Philip Spiess
 Joshua St. Ama
 Curtis Stallman



Amanda Stanturf
 Rachel Statchen
 Meghan Steinbauer
 Tracy Stephens
 Scott Sterling
 Amber Stevens



David Stockham
 Jacob Street
 Andrea Strode
 Jared Swan
 Bradley Swaters
 Leith Taylor



Tina Taylor
 Stephanie Terry
 Adam Tervort
 Justin Thompson
 Lee Thompson III
 Jason Tousley



Lucy Trammell
 Neil Trout
 Tonya Trout
 Adam Troutwine
 Tracy Trowbridge
 Ashley Trunnell



Kallie Turnbow
 Brendon Turpen
 Jayna Vaccaro
 Jonathan Vaccaro
 Brad Valentine
 Keri Vandierendonck



Kara Vannatta
 J.J. Vanyperen
 Travis Vaughn
 Brandie Vetter
 Amie Vogt
 Ryan Wallace

READY TO TAKE THE ACT, MOLLY DAVIS, JR., stands in line at William Jewell College Dec. 13. "I will probably take it at least three times to get the highest score I can, and I plan to take a course," Cheryl Drogan, jr, said. —Photo by Crystal Lovell

What was on the mind of college-bound juniors? The ACT, a test by which junior scores could qualify them for college scholarships and admission. The test was given five times a year.

"The main reason [I took the ACT] was to get scholarships and money for college. Also, to test my knowledge of what I've learned throughout my schooling," Katie Calder, jr, said.

Although students had hopes for a high score the first time, it didn't always happen. Some would take the test over and over again until they got the score they wanted.

In order to obtain a higher score, preparation was important. Preparing started right here in school everyday.

"The first thing and the best preparation is to have a good high school curriculum. Without curriculum, you can't review enough. The second thing is review the literature that comes free when you apply," Eileen Edlin, counselor, said.

Students also used other sources to prepare for the test. Some took prep courses at Maple Woods or William Jewell College which enabled them to gain skills to help them on the test.

"I took a class for the first one, and I have a computer program (to help me prepare)," Sara Robeson, jr, said. The computer CD, put out by ACT, offered a personalized plan to help students reach a higher score.

Dealing with the stress of the ACT was difficult for some students, so it was important to get enough sleep the night before in order to be ready to perform well the next day.

"Good words of advice are take it often and take it early," Edlin said. — By Kristin Leitze



Five ACT tests knowledge

Many juniors face first entrance tests



Christa Wansink
Kristin Ward
Shannon Warner
Ian Warring
Christopher Watkins
Brian Watt



Evan Weatherford
Megan Wertel
Jacob Wildman
Rebecca Wilkerson
Kali Williams
Nathan Willis



Quinn Wilson
Seth Wilson
Kristy Winfrey
Alan Woodward
Jessica Wright
Travis Wymore



Kylene Yelton
Warren Zubiri
Jennifer Zuhlke

Not Pictured

James Brondell	Joshua Jewell	Andrew Perry
Aimee Brummett	Sarah Johnson	Alfredo Rodriguez
Rachelle Cauthon	Jessica Kling	William Snow
Jeffrey Faubion	Thomas Klopp	
Kenneth Gillespie	Amanda Lawson	
Billy Hurn	Evan Leiby	
Jason Jackson	Jessie Millsap	
Cord James	Eric Olmstead	
Tiara Jesse	April Paden	



In Memory
of
Amanda
Headley
1980-1997

Lisa Aamold
 Kristy Abreo
 James Adams
 Kellie Adams
 Krystal Adams
 Nicole Adams



Stephen Ager
 Catherine Ahlfield
 Grant Alden
 Stuart Allen
 Byron Anderson
 Luke Anderson



Matt Arms
 Cassandra Ash
 Larhonda Austin
 Aimee Avelyn
 Jessica Bagby
 Kimberley Baker



See if you
 can match
 these
 important
 school events
 with the
 dates on
 which they
 were held

Six Events round school year

1. The Homecoming Dance was held on...

- a. Oct. 3
- b. Oct. 11
- c. Sept. 27

2. The Pistol Game was held on...

- a. Aug. 29
- b. Sept. 5
- c. Sept. 12

3. The Courtwarming Dance was held on...

- a. Jan. 17
- b. Jan. 31
- c. Feb. 7

4. The Mr. Liberty Pageant was held on...

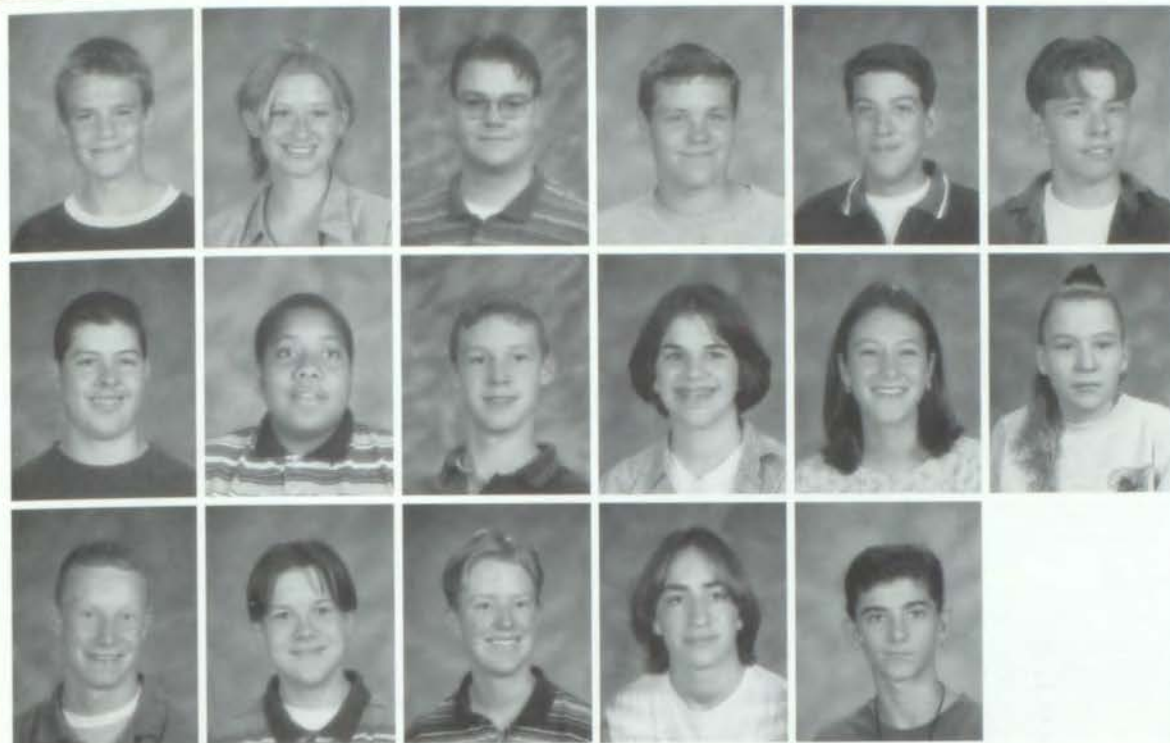
- a. April 17
- b. April 24
- c. May 1

5. The Spectator Queen Walk was held on...

- a. Jan. 10
- b. Jan. 17
- c. Jan. 25

6. Prom was held on...

- a. April 18
- b. April 25
- c. May 2



Ryan Barlow
 Laura Barnes
 Patrick Baucom
 Ryan Bauer
 Erik Bayer
 Cale Bengtson

Matthew Berry
 William Betts Jr.
 Daniel Billington
 Cheryl Birkey
 Sarah Bissell
 Sharon Blake

Ben Blanton
 Timothy Blodgett
 Darren Blosser
 Jacob Boland
 James Bonikowski



THE TREND KARAOKE DANCE, where HAMILTON CLINE, SOPH, Emily Tucker, sr, and Jerod Breit are singing, was held Dec. 5 at the high school after the first home basketball game. This dance was just one of the events that highlighted the school year. —**Photo By Grant Hensel**

Answers: 1. b 2. b 3. a 4. b 5. a 6. a

Carrie Boulware
 Christin Boulware
 Darrell Bowles
 David Bowles
 Raelle Bowles
 Sarah Bowles



Leslie Bowman
 Luke Boylan
 Scott Brant
 Jerod Breit
 Richard Bridgman Jr.
 Jonathan Brouse



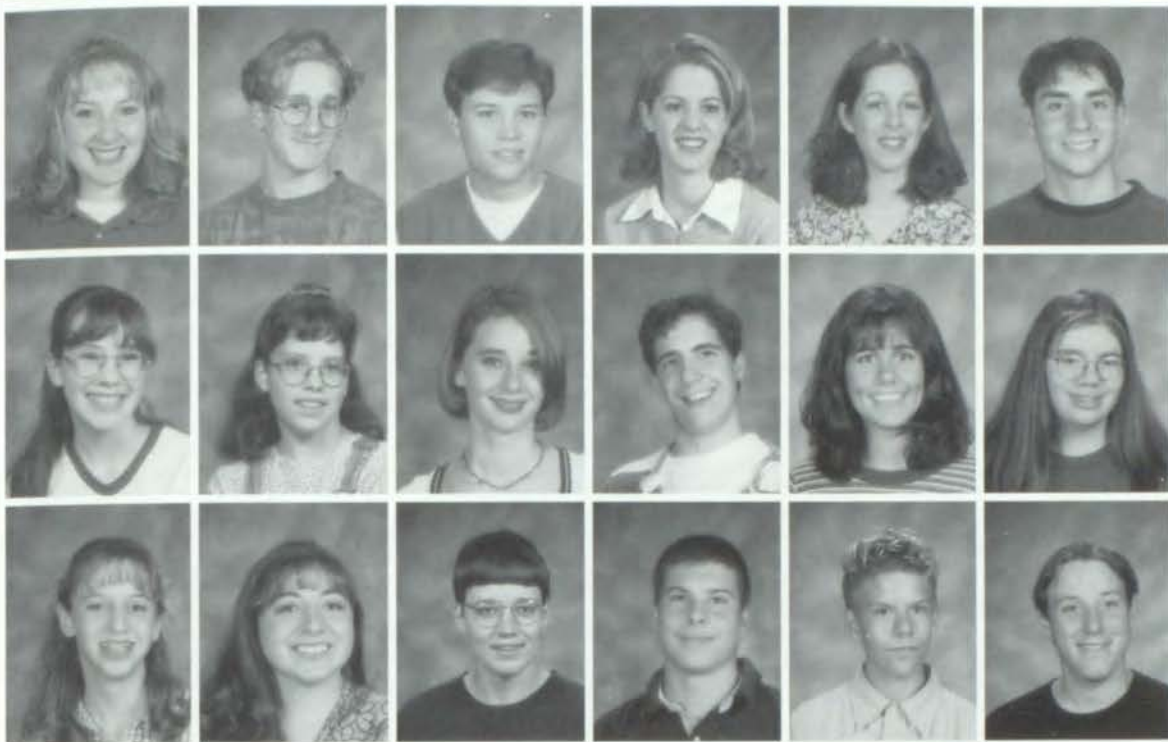
Calvin Brown
 Maggie Brown
 Kyle Browning
 Jill Bryant
 Charles Bryson
 Molly Buchen



Sophomores
 struggle
 after moving
 into the new
 building but
 they quickly
 learn what
 must be done
 to survive

It's not as easy as you think

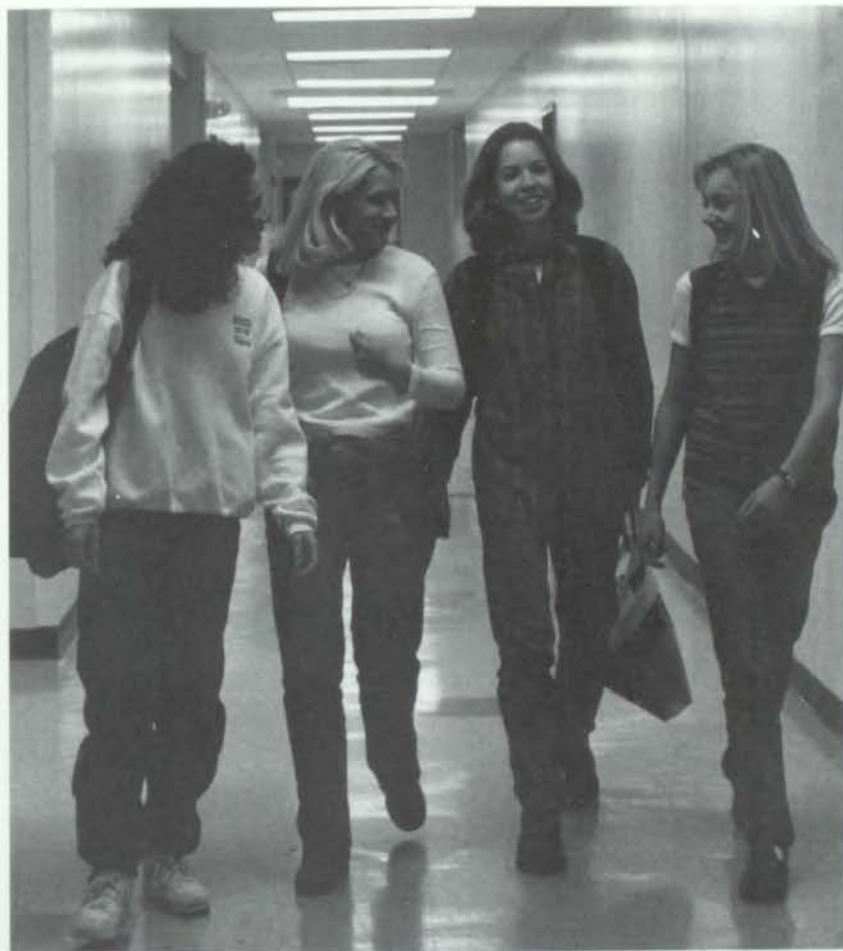
Beginning the year in an unfamiliar building is difficult enough, but this year's sophomores faced a slightly different challenge because even the upper classmen didn't know where part of the sophomore's classes were due to the new departments added last year. Finding their way to classes wasn't the only difficulty; sophomores also had to learn where to go if they were absent or who to see when they needed to pay fees. Hall passes were a necessity when walking through the hallways. Hall monitors walked around school making sure all students had passes and were where they were supposed to be. The LMC (Learning Media Center) was also new for sophomores. Sophomore Justin Ocker said, "Going to the library was a huge deal because you had to sign in and use a time clock." After a little time and effort, knowing where to go and what to do became a daily routine for all students, new and old. —Crystal Selvey



Lindsay Bukner
 Greg Bumgarner
 Jennifer Burch
 Annie Burns
 Margaret Burns
 Matthew Burton

Logan Bush
 Sara Bush
 Angelica Byrd
 Eddy Camp
 Emily Cardwell
 Melissa Cardwell

Emily Cargill
 Tamara Carkeek
 Kevin Carlyle
 Jonathan Carpenter
 Jordan Carr
 Scott Chaney



THE 500s AND 600s HALLWAYS WERE A PROBLEM AREA FOR many sophomores as they tried to learn just where to go in the new building because hallways all look similar. Sophomores Valerie Rodriguez, Amy Mallams, Susan Driskill, and Amanda Holferty walk through the halls with ease now. "The only place that I got lost was between the 500s and the 600s," said Holferty.
 —Photo By Katy Graber

Andrew Clark
 Jeniffer Clemmons
 Heather Clenin
 Hamilton Cline
 Melissa Cole
 Donald Combs



Nicole Cook
 Ryan Cooney
 Bradley Corkins
 Krystal Couch
 Melissa Cowen
 Robert Cox



Christina Craig
 Rebecca Crawford
 Frank Crosby
 Lori Crossett
 Travis Crutcher
 Jason Cummings



Not just pink paper anymore

"I love my 1974 Chevy hand-me-down truck. This beautiful truck was my Grandpa's, my Dad's, and my brother's and now it's mine. The rust holes in the interior are so big you can stick your foot through it, but I love my truck!"

Jake Hiller, soph

"My older brother gave me his old 1986 red Grand Am so he could get a 1996 silver Ford Probe. I was very thankful because the car was in good condition and it was a gift. Driving is good because I like not having to ask for rides anymore "

Blake Gray, soph

"I don't have a car yet but in June, when I turn 16, I will get my brothers old car. The bad thing is I'll have to pay for the car and the insurance on the car."

Cheryl Birkey, soph

"I have two cars, 1975 Triumph Spitfire and a 1986 Thunderbird, but I only have insurance on one. I bought both by working at William Jewell and at Hy-Vee. I like both of my cars but what I really want is a red 1993 Mustang 5.0 LX, 5 speed with saleen ground effects."

Paul McCracken, soph

"I drive my parents 1995 Ford F-150, until I save up for my own car. I pay part of the insurance on it."

Tanisha Guthridge, soph

Permits
 turn into the
 real thing,
 letting
 sophomores
 have the
 freedom to
 cruise the
 streets



Dustin Cundiff
 Resa Curiel Ryan
 Abigail Darden
 Andrea Darlewon
 Teresa Darr
 John Darst



John Dattoma
 Kalina Davenport
 Rebecca Davidson
 Kimberly Davisson
 Kim Delafuente
 Leslie Delay



Nathaniel Dempsey
 Christina Dixon
 Floyd Dixon
 Winston Dodd
 Adam Dodson
 Travis Downing



WITH THE TRUNK OPEN READY TO LOAD UP the backpacks and go home sophomores Amy Johnson, Cinzia Giambrone and Rachael Pearson, sr, hop into Vinny Giambrones, soph, Honda Accord. —Photo by Kim Fitch

Ryan Drew
Ashley Driggers
Susan Driskill
Kent Dryer
Hillary Duke
Sharodd Dukés



Stacy Duncan
Gregory Dunn
Brandon Dupuie
Jenna Dusang
Amy Dusenbery
Adrienne Elfrink



Christopher Engle
Renee Estrada
Kari Evans
Kelcey Evans
Martin Fisher
Matthew Fisher



Matthew Flannery
Amber Ford
Trevor Forney
Stephanie Foster
Nathan Fountain
Mark Friedrich



Lindsay Fuller
Daniel Gaddis
Rachell Gallagher
Sara Gallagher
Alexander George
Cassandra Giambrone



Cinzia Giambrone
Salvatore Giambrone
Vincent Giambrone
Alan Gieselmann
Brandon Gilpin
Mihceal Giraudy



Beatriz Gonzalez
Crystal Gordon
Blake Gray
A'ndrea Griffith
Chelsey Grimm
Stanley Grinter





Chad Gust
Tanisha Guthridge
Lauren Hadley
Daniel Haffner
Elizabeth Hager
Shannon Haigh



Krystan Hale
Damon Hall
Denise Hallauer
Nicole Hamerle
Heather Hammond
Amber Hammonds



Ryan Hampton
Melissa Hanna
Scott Hannah
Andrew Harken
Tara Harman
William Harper



Steven Harrell
Amy Harris
Lainie Harris
Jill Harrison
Stephanie Hartman
Jacqueline Hedges



Brandy Heins
Amanda Hemphill
Billy Hercules
Justin Hickman
Angela Hill
Jacob Hiller



Mark Hilton
Chad Hinson
Kelly Hite
Crystal Hoff
Andrew Hoffsommer
Julia Hogan



Amanda Holferty
Christy Hook
Trisha Hoover
John Hopkins
Joshua Hoppins
Richard Horn

Robert Horne
Shawn Horrocks
Nicholette Hughes
Joshua Hunt
T.J. Hunt
Paul Hurd



Abigail Hutson
Mark Hylton Jr.
Justin Jaykus
Justin Jeffries
Lacey Jelinek
Amy Johnson



John Johnson
Kevin Johnson
Chad Johnston
Jason Jones
Jennifer Jones
Kimberly Jones



A Night Filled With Excitement

"It took me about five hours to get ready for the (Homecoming) dance. We got to dress up and get our hair fixed. The most memorable part of the night was seeing all of my friends all dressed up in formals. It was a lot of fun."

Amy Harris, soph

"This dance was totally different from any junior high dance. It was much longer. There were a lot more people there and a lot less adults were there. It was more fun than junior high dances. I liked the overall experience."

Brian Shank, soph

"One of the best parts about the night was seeing my date dressed up, because he never does. It took me about a month to find a dress."

Amber Ford, soph

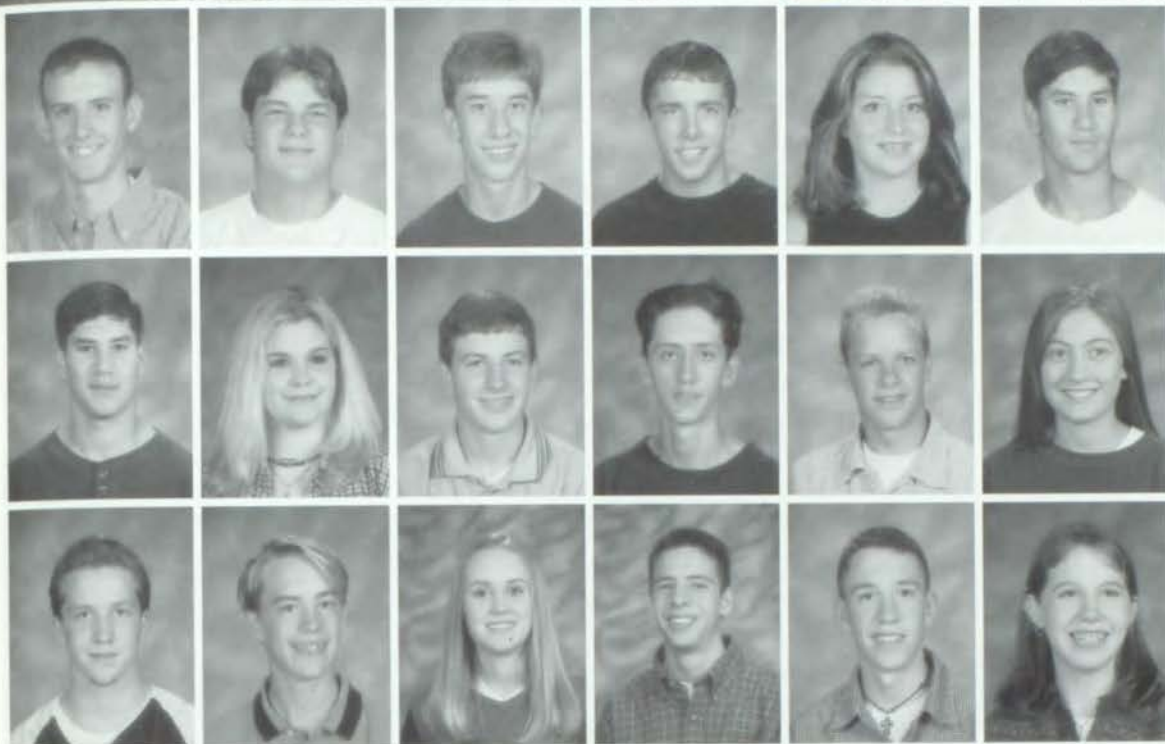
"I thought that the rules were really strict. There were teachers patrolling during Homecoming and there were requirements that you had to meet in order to get to go to the dance. You couldn't miss very many days or else you weren't allowed to go"

Jessie Bagby, soph

"I was disappointed that they didn't play any music that I liked. I wish that they would have played some Brutus."

Jordan Carr, soph

While the girls prepare for their first "real" dance hours in advance, guys wait anxiously



Michael Jury
James Kane
Pericles Kariotis
Anthony Kelley
Brianna Kelley
James Kern

Jimmy Kern
Sarah Kiernan
Jason Kipping
Michael Kirby
Ryan Klein
Morgan Kluth

Ryan Knudson
Nicholas Koehler
Nicole Kraft
Adam Kramer
Matthew Krohne
Linda Kromeich



PREPARING FOR HER FIRST HIGH SCHOOL dance, sophomore Lindsay Richmond applies her makeup as a final touch to her attire for the Homecoming night. "It took a lot more preparation than I expected, but it was a lot of fun," she said.
—Photo by Joy Richmond

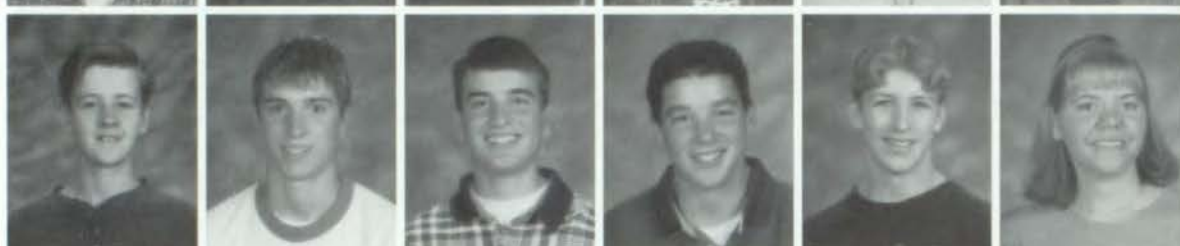
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 Michelle Lancaster
 Rachel Lancaster
 Zachary Lane
 Rebekah Lassiter



Alison Laughlin
 Lindsey Lee
 Ricahrd Lee
 Shane Leftridge
 Matthew Lehman
 Dezri Lentz



Kent Leugers
 Lee Levandowski
 Blaine Lewis
 Ryan Lindsay
 Joshua Littleton
 Allison Lohman



Turning sixteen is a milestone Event

"It was fun to be able to take all my friends places because we don't have to worry about how we got there." **Christin Boulware, soph**

"I think it is much better because I don't have to depend on people." **Melissa Cole, soph**

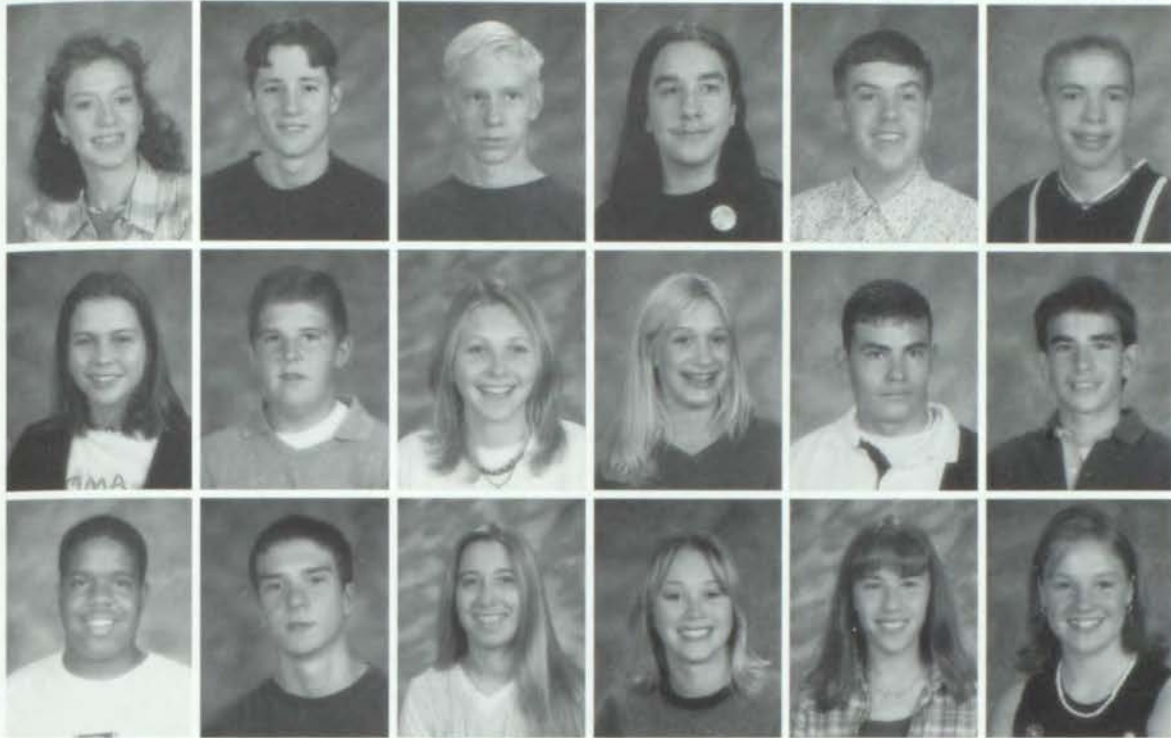
"Turning 16 is mainly the freedom to go places without parents in the car. Most people I know did nothing bigger than other birthdays for it."
Cassie Ash, soph

"My 16th birthday was an ordinary event with the benefit of driving a car. Sixteen is still a sort of milestone for adolescence, although it's importance seem's to be decreasing in the eyes of adults."
Brian Shanks, soph

"I think that your sixteenth birthday is still very much a milestone. By getting your drivers license it makes it a mark of maturity. As far as a party goes it really wasn't anything out of the ordinary. My parents did make it a special birthday with special gifts and such."
Jennifer Birch, soph

"It's a pain to turn 16 at first because becuase you have to drive everybody around"
Sarah Bissell, soph

becomes notable to most for the opportunity to get a driver's license



Georgia Lucas
 Kevin Lucas
 Zachary Lucas
 Joel Lueders
 Arthur Lundberg
 Neil Mac Eachern

Alyssa Madden
 Jason Madson
 Cynthia Majesty
 Amy Mallams
 Amos Marrero
 Matthew Martin

Gregory Mason
 Bryan Masticola
 Kimberly Mathis
 Amanda Mauzey
 Bethany May
 Kelly Mc Allister



A SWEET SIXTEENTH BIRTHDAY CAN BE AN important step in a young teenager's life and sophomore Lindsey Buckner celebrates her birthday in Mr. Hensel's American History class.
—Photo by Melissa Propps

Carrie Mc Calister
 Amanda Mc Cann
 Kendra Mc Clain
 Hayley Mc Clelland
 Laura Mc Clendon
 Paul Mc Cracken



Brett Mc Cubbin
 Justin Mc Daniel
 Abby Mc Ginnis
 Laura Mc Granaghan
 Abbie Mc Henry
 Dustin Mc Knight



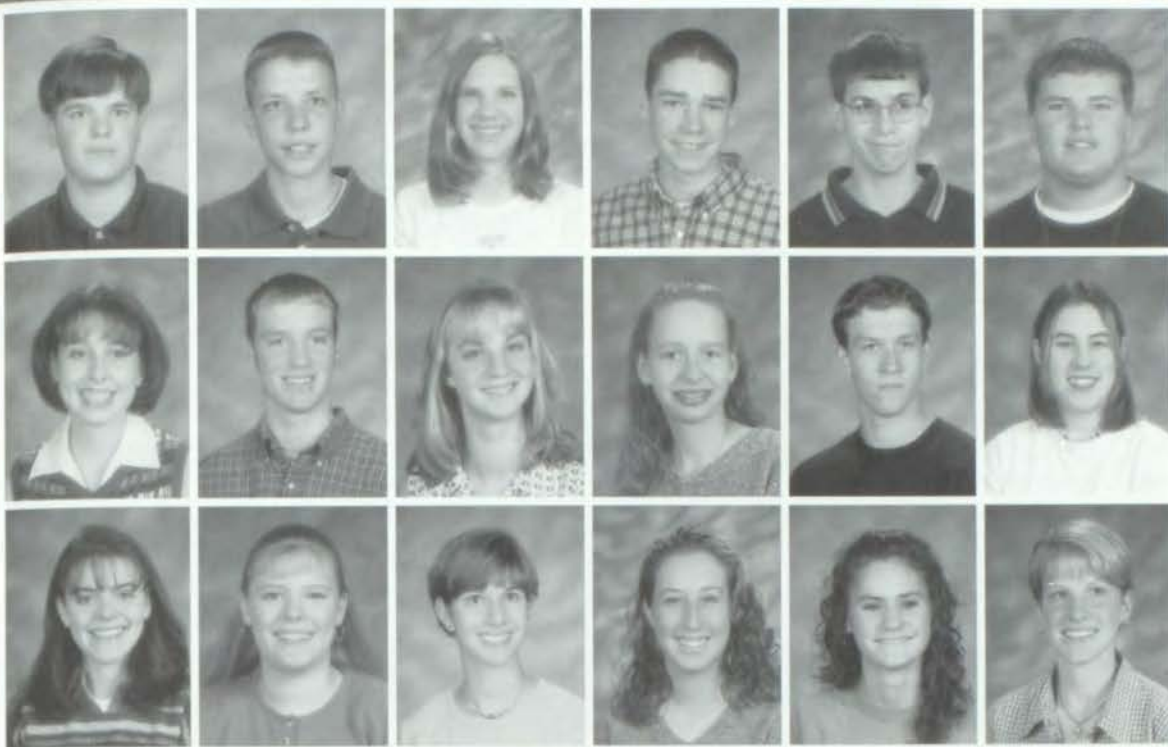
Aaron Mc Kown
 Kerry Mc Lendon
 Jason Mc Michael
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 Anthony Mead
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Sophomores
 are required
 to take certain
 courses. Can
 you remember
 which classes
 were
 required?

Twenty three Credits for graduation

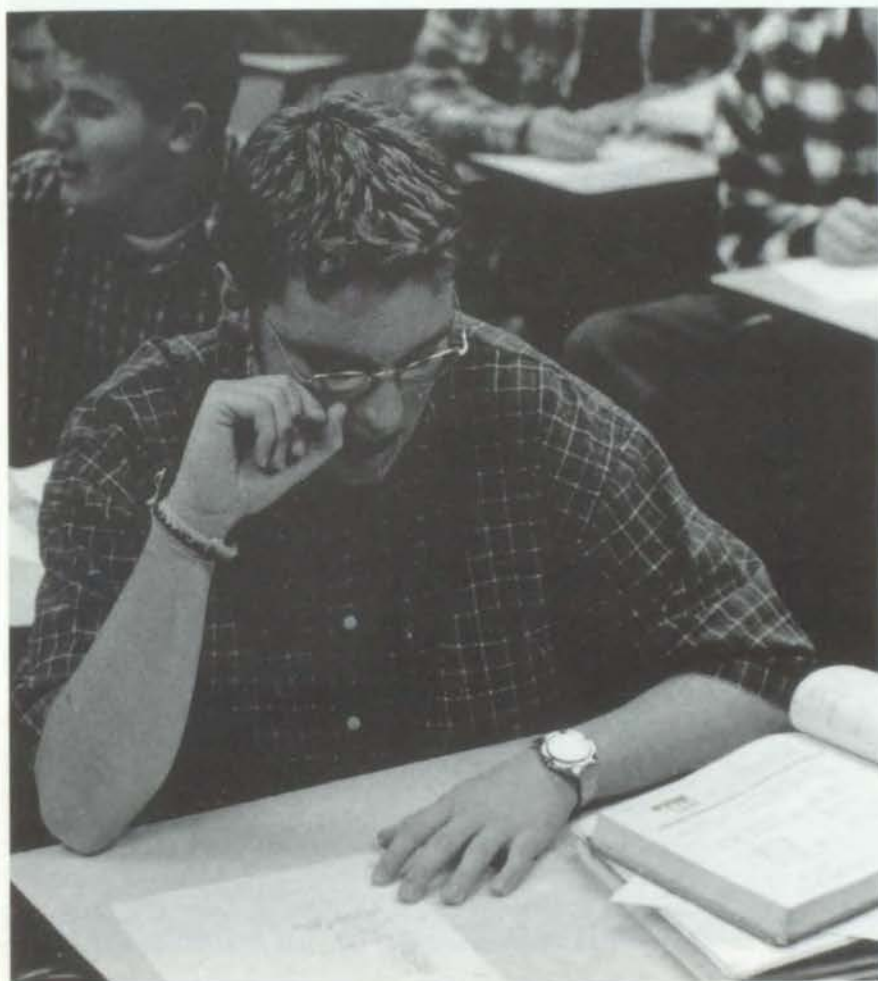
1. What language arts class was required?
 - a. British Literature
 - b. Communication Arts
 - c. Advanced Composition
2. What social studies was required?
 - a. Modern World History required?
 - b. Geography
 - c. American History
3. What science was required?
 - a. Biology
 - b. Chemistry
 - c. Physics
4. Which math was required?
 - a. Algebra
 - b. Geometry
 - c. AP Calculus
5. How many fine arts were needed?
 - a. 3
 - b. 2
 - c. 1
6. How many practical arts were needed?
 - a. 3
 - b. 2
 - c. 1



Bryce Metheny
 Steven Meyer
 Mary Meyers
 Timothy Milbourn
 Marc Miles
 Charles Miller

Lyndsey Miller
 Nick Miller
 Randi Miller
 Tamara Moffet
 Jason Moore
 Katy Moore

Alyssa Moran
 Jennifer Moser
 Jennifer Mosher
 Ashley Muck
 Julie Mueller
 Julia Mullennix



SOPHOMORE-YEAR STUDENTS HAVE MORE FREEDOM TO CHOOSE what classes to take than at the junior high, but they are still required to take basic courses. Nick Miller, soph, sits learning in geometry class, a required class. —Photo By Shaun Kennedy

1-B, 2-C, 3-A, 4-B, 5-B, 6-C

Answers:

Angela Murphy
 Marie Nakahodo
 Matthew Nash
 Candace Newsom
 Brenna Nitsch
 Rob Norris



Holly Nowatzke
 John O Kane
 Andrea Ochs
 Robert Ocker
 Travis Offield
 John Ollier



Matt Owen
 Candace Owens
 Jacob Oyen
 Matthew Pallo
 Samuel Palmer
 Stephen Parish



Jennifer Parnacott
 Erin Parrish
 Paige Patten
 Lois Payne
 Janie Peach
 Paul Pearson



Amanda Pence
 David Pence
 Dreon Pero
 Melanie Perren
 Lindsey Personett
 Carrie Peter



Brittany Petonke
 Brandon Petty
 Sady Peyton
 Laura Phillips
 Joseph Pils
 Jessica Pinkerton



Arron Pinney
 Justin Porter
 Emily Powers
 Jessica Pruessner
 Travis Pyle
 Amanda Pyne





Erin Raines
Akila Raman
Jerold Ramos Jr.
Matthew Reid
Melody Richey
Joseph Richmond



Lyndsy Richmond
J Marie Ridge
Jonathan Riley
Carmen Rivas
Christopher Robb
Jason Robertson



Jennifer Robertson
Todd Robinson
Brooke Rodgers
Valerie Rodriguez
Adam Rose
Michael Rosenthal



Brent Ross
Justin Ross
John Ruby
Matthew Rumsey
Michael Rumsey
Teresa Rychlewski



Robert Sanders
Samantha Sasek
Andrew Schach
Anthony Schaefer
Angela Schembri
Christopher Schloesser



Shane Schloesser
Sara Schmidt
Emily Schnieders
Adam Schopper
Amy Sedlacek
Allison Selmon



Andrea Shadrick
Brian Shank
Stacy Shanks
Jeffrey Sharp
Michelle Sharp
Christina Shaw

Christopher Shearer
James Sherwood
Sarah Shippert
Ann Shirley
Alyssa Shoemaker
Jeffrey Shouse



Raymond Skillman
Matthew Slaughter
Eric Smith
Erin Smith
Kellen Smith
Kevin Smith



Spencer Smith
Tyler Smith
Casey Snodgrass
Jesse Snodgrass
Jennifer Snow
Kristina Solomon



Rollin' in the dough

"My first job was working as a busboy at Mike Lambardos. I worked there for four months. I really didn't decide to get a job; my parents kind of made me get one. It wasn't that hard for me to get the job because one of my friends recommended me." **Steph Ager, soph**

"I needed the extra money so I started working at the snack shop at Clayview. I worked at the snack shop all summer. It was a lot of fun. I really enjoyed it." **Kelcey Evans, soph**

"My first job was working at Worlds Of Fun painting faces. I wasn't very nervous when I went in for my interview. They really didn't ask too many questions and I was hired on the spot. I liked working there when it was nice outside. My job wasn't hard at all." **Cheryl Birkey, soph**

"I taught at Liberty Dance Studio. I really enjoyed working with little children. I want to be a dance teacher, so working at Liberty Dance Studio was a great experience. The best thing about teaching is that you never know what is going to happen." **Jessie Pruessner, soph**

"I worked at a post office for one year. I was a little nervous when I went for my interview but I got over it when I went." **Todd Robinson, soph**

Needing
the extra
cash flow,
sophs turn
to their first
jobs for
their major
source of
money



Jeremy Stallworth
 Nathan Stanley
 Jennifer Stayton
 Rebecca Stepp
 Jessica Stevens
 Jesse Stevenson

Trista Stramell
 James Strange
 Albert Studer
 Joshua Sutton
 Daniel Swartz
 Krystle Sweetland

Cristian Taldes
 Ryan Taylor
 Amy Thomas
 Jennifer Thompson
 Cara Thomson
 William Todd III



WOW MY FIRST JOB! FOR MOST sophomores under 16 that meant working at Hy-Vee as a courtesy clerk. Jeff Shouse, soph, sacks groceries before taking them out to the drive thru to be loaded into cars. —Photo by Andrea Mallams

Skyler Tospon
 Kimberlee Townsend
 Lananh Tran
 Kelly Trance
 Joseph Travaglianti



Adam Trout
 Trenton Trowbridge
 Cassandra Trower
 Morgan Trunnell
 Kaytie Tucker
 Christopher Tyrrell



Michael Tysdal
 Erica Uhl
 Jason Underhill
 Adam Untch
 Brittney Utterback
 Josh Varnell



Jennifer Velder
 Jeffrey Vineyard
 Kleighton Vitug
 Ryan Vivanco
 Robert Waggoner
 Sarah Wahl



Stephen Wahl
 Brett Walker
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 Austin Walsh
 Aimee Warnell



Benjamin Watkins
 Brian Watson
 Danielle Watters
 Justin Wayman
 Kindra Weatherford
 Todd Webb



Christa Wegner
 Courtney West
 Miranda Wettstein
 Justin Wheeler
 Adam Whitaker
 Dennis Whitman





Joni Willard
 Rachael Willeke
 Kyle Willis
 Christopher Wilson
 Mary Wirt
 Randa Witmer



Zachary Woods
 Jeffery Wranich
 Joshua Wrolstad
 Brandi Zismer

Not Pictured

Matthew Allen
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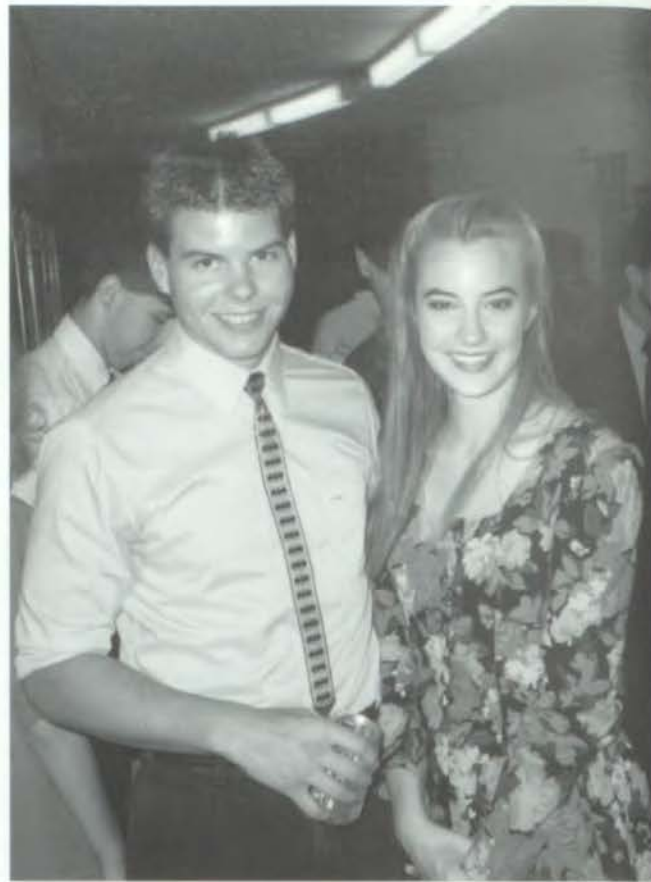
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 Austin McKinnis
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 Jody Ockerman
 Brian Pinga

Jason Richenberger
 Peter Thorn
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 Steven Winscott



In Memory
 of
 Matt Flannery
 1981-1997

GUESS WHO?
Mr. Rich
Brown, theatre
arts teacher,
and his date
"Sarah
Somebody"
take a
relaxing
dance break
to grab a
coke. The
dance took
place during
Brown's senior
year in '91. "I
was sporting
the oh-so-
fashionable
Batman film-
strip tie," said
Brown.



One magic prom night becomes disastrous for one art teacher

I was looking forward to my first high school Prom as a junior in the spring of 1972. My date was going to be a very cute sophomore whom I had been hoping to attract. Of course, my expectations were high with visions of making a great impression and winning her affections forever. Unfortunately, quite the contrary occurred. As that gala event progressed she did not want to dance, eat, talk about the weather, or otherwise do those things that normal people do at proms. The final blow came when, having requested that I take her home at 9:30, she sprinted from my car to her front door, closing the screen before I could "officially" tell her good night or do those things that normal people do at doors after a prom. I left with my ego crushed and my self-esteem scarred for life. (I never attempted to ask her out again.)

The evening was somewhat salvaged when I went stag to the after-prom party and linked up with another girl who had a similar disastrous time at the dance. We empathetically shared our sad stories and attended the after-prom breakfast together. My "second chance" date, however, was not enough to erase the doubt and longing from the hours before. I would carry that negative image internally for years.

There is an important post script to this sad tale. Five years later while attending college, I received a phone call from the girl of that long ago date from hell. She invited me on an all-expenses-paid trip to another city to be her weekend escort for her college sorority formal. I was stunned and almost speechless. As fate would have it, I had to politely decline because I was dating someone at the time. I suppose it was just never meant to be. But hallelujah, she liked me, she really liked me!

—Mr. Rob Quinn



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Pam Adams: Integrated Science, Biology
Alex Aiman: Chemistry
Thomas Albright: Business Today, Keyboarding, Accounting



Julia Alsobrook: PEAK
Casey Anderson: Head Custodian
Dan Anderson: Basic Human Science, Biology
Nancy Armbruster: Cafeteria



Cathy Bailey: Comm. Arts CWC, LD
Jim Baker: Athletic Strength Training, Study Strategies
Pamela Barrett: Administrative Secretary
Debbie Becker: Team Sports I, Life Rec. I, Weight Training



Larry Beldin: Business Law, Marketing
Forrest Bertoldie: Adv. Composition, Novel I-II
Joyce Bishop: Modern World History, American History
Dennis Blocklinger: Drafting, Industrial Materials



Anne Brader: Theoretical Chemistry, Theoretical Physics
Karen Breit: Cafeteria
Paula Bricker: Teacher's Aide
Jeff Brown: American History, AP American History I-II



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Suzanne Johnson: Paraprofessional
Bill Jones: LD, Modern World History
Vicki Jones: College Level Composition, British Lit. I-II, Comm. Arts Gifted, Senior Research Project



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Tammi Kennedy-Gregg: Sculpture
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Jo Krones: Attendance Secretary
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Nancy Laven: Paraprofessional
Linda Little: Cafeteria
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Laura Marsh: French I-II
Debra Martin: Graphic Design, Drawing and Painting I-II
Mark Matney: Technical Computations, Consumer Automotive Tech., Electricity-Electronics Tech., Power and Energy Tech.

Gary McCollough: Anatomy and Physiology, Microbiology,
AP Biology
Marilyn McCollough: PEAK
Anne Means: Comm. Arts, Creative Writing
Barbara Medlin: Language Essentials, Creative Writing,
Comm. Arts



Todd Menzies: Liberty Academy
Leslie Mims: Vocal Music Accompanist
Rhonda Monnig: Custodian
Chris Murphy: Math Lab, Formal Geometry, Algebra II



Cindy Noel: Registrar
Ed Older: Ancient European History, Modern World History, Hu-
manities
Danny Parks: Custodian
Debbie Payne: Interpretive Drawing and Painting, Adv. Drawing
and Painting, Drawing and Painting I, Senior Project



Danette Peck: Nurse
Chris Phelps: Psychology I, Contemporary Issues,
Modern World History
Sharon Phillips: Paraprofessional
Rob Quinn: Artistic Photography



Jaime Raetz: Formal Geometry, Algebra II, Math Lab
Dale Ream: Custodian
David Ridenour: Custodian
Karen Roberts: Algebra II, Technical Computation, Math Lab



Karla Schaeffer: Adv. Comm. Arts, Humanities I-II
Karen Shaffer: Administrative Secretary
Elizabeth Shartzter: Integrated Science, Chemistry
Jane Shepherd: Paraprofessional



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Creative Writing





Alexa Thompson: German I-II-III-IV
 Edna Thompson: Cafeteria
 Peggy Turner: Cafeteria
 Shelly Vanderleest: Hall Monitor



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 Paul Warnex: Music Theory, Band



Dan Wartick: Assistant Principal
 Danny Watring: Jazz Theory, Band
 Juanita Weber: Cafeteria
 Sharon Williams: Psychology I-II, Psychology and Everyday Topics



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 Helen Winter: Food Choices, Housing, Child Dev. I-II, Healthy Living, Current Issues in Life Management
 Lynn Wright: Teacher's Aide
 David Young: Play Production, Acting, Theatre Arts I-II

Teachers offer ways to succeed in life



"Doing your most for the team will always bring something good for yourself."

Steve Butler, Athletic Director

Do what you love! —Holly Larrison

Self-discipline yourself to do what you *need* to do, *when* you need to do it. —Linda Jeeninga

Take responsibility for yourself—your actions, your education, everything about your life — and bear the consequences of your actions without making excuses or blaming someone else. —Sharon Cooper

Take advantage of every opportunity offered to you. The most successful student has many life experiences because of their involvement in a wide-variety of activities. —Maria Hull

Focus—work hard—the world is full of talented people that did nothing with their talent. —Debbie Payne

A burning desire to be successful can overcome any amounts of talent or lack of talent by working hard to reach goals. —Matt Brown

Have the *desire* to do something with your life; then follow through. —Cathy Bailey

Don't just try and get by, aim high and don't stop until you reach it! —Joe Hesman

Life is what you make it. —Alex Aiman

Find a way to enjoy whatever you do—it makes it better and easier. —Gaye Stevick

—Compiled by Kristen Miller

Not Pictured: Jim Dunn: Mass Comm., Interpersonal Comm.; Debora Finocchario: Social Worker; Tara Griffin: Hall Monitor; Julia Mayone: Liberty Academy secretary; Barbara Norwat: Library Paraprofessional.

The Numbers CAN SHOW IT ALL

Stacking up the numbers made our sports teams' success evident.

- 343 yards is the new record for Lee Thompson, jr, in a single game, against Hickman Mills.
- 6 weeks of play made for a short girls tennis season, which often played over two matches a week.
- 3.1 mile school record was broken by cross country runner Jon Harman, jr, in a time of 15:52, at the conference meet. The boys varsity team went on to place 1st in conference.
- 3rd place finish for Nancy Driskill, jr, at the girls state golf tournament marked the end of only the second year of the program.
- 2 weeks into the school year, the football team kicked off its season, the latest ever, with a 47-7 win over Excelsior Springs in the annual Pistols game.
- -1 after the death of varsity player #14 Amanda Headley, the softball team played on. They spent an average of 20 hours a week in practice, which contributed to a record of 17-7. —Amie Vogt

USING SKILLS developed throughout her 10 years of experience help Molly Davis, jr, wait for a better pitch during a dominating 10-0 victory over Fort Osage at our own home field.
Photo by Sarah Shade



One on One

One of the toughest things about football is the mental aspect of the game. It's hard to try and stay focused when others aren't.

Chris Tyrrell, soph

PITCHING HER TENT for an entire day's stay at the high school track, Sarah Shade, jr, participates in cross country's Annual 24-Hour Relay.
Photo by Katy Graber





TO RESTRAIN
St. Joe Central
from scoring,
contribution from
all players on the
field was needed.
Neale Orscheln,
sr, tries to
outmaneuver his
opponent. Liberty
won 3-0. **Photo**
by Andrea
Mallams

Getting down...

...to the business of winning volleyball games, that is!

The volleyball team showed us how to get down with powerful serves, precise setting, intense hitting and a pregame cheer:

"Hey Janie."

"Hey what?"

"Hey Janie."

"Hey what?"

"Show us how to get down."

"No way!"

"Show us how to get down."

"Okay!" And Janie breaks out into an original little dance....

This team cheer pumped up the girls and the crowd. "I saw the cheer at nationals so we tried it and the team really liked it. It was a fun way to get ready for our game," Melissa Propps, sr, said.

With a new warm-up cheer there were other changes. Three new coaches led the Lady Jays: Debbie Becker, Tracey Waring and Deniec Steenstra. "I was really excited to coach such a good team with a reputation of winning," Coach Becker said

The three seniors became the leaders of the team. "There weren't many girls that had played at the varsity level before so the seniors really stepped up. They helped us get through the first few games and then we all got in the groove of play at such a competitive level," Lindsay Fuller, soph, said.

The Lady Jays finished with a varsity record of 28-8 and a JV record of 10-6-3 and won conference. A hard fought loss to Park Hill in the district championship game ended the season.

"We had a great year. We would have loved to beat Park Hill and go on to the sectional game but it just didn't happen. I'm excited for what were going to do next year," said Sally Herrin, jr. —By Kristin Parrish



WITH A STEADY EYE AND LOTS OF CONCENTRATION ON THE BALL, SENIOR LAURA CROWLEY SETS THE ball to sophomore Lindsay Fuller in the Lee's Summit North volleyball game. The Lady Jay's were defeated two games to one by the Broncos despite their strong effort. The team went on to beat the Broncos later in the season two games to one. Photo by Katy Graber

TONYA TROUT, JR, focuses on hitting the ball in the Winnetonka game which ended in a victory for the Lady Jays. "Hard work at practice and the overall dedication of all the girls on the team made this year as successful as it was," Trout said. Photo by Kim Fitch



For the Record

Volleyball

Varsity		Varsity	
L	0	L	0
2	Ex. Sprgs. 0	2	Raytown 0
0	St. Teresa 2	0	Fort Osage 2
2	Grandview 0	JV	
2	Lee's Sum N. 1	L	0
2	Bahner Sprgs. 0	2	Ex. Sprgs. 0
2	Lee Summit 0	2	St. Teresa 0
2	Winnetonka 0	0	Lee's Summit 2
2	NKC 0	2	Winnetonka 1
2	Fort Osage 0	1	St. Teresa 1
0	O'Hara 2	2	Ray. Pec. 0
2	Lee's Sumt. N. 3	0	O'Hara 2
2	NKC 0	1	NKC 1
2	Raytown 0	2	Raytown 1
2	NKC 0	2	Fort Osage 0
2	Blue Sprg. S. 0	2	Grandview 0
2	Hansonville 0	0	Lee's Sum. N. 2
2	Blue Sprg. S. 0	2	Odessa 0
1	Blue Springs 2	1	Blue Spings 1
1	Fort Osage 2	0	Lee's Sumt. N. 2
2	Grandview 0	2	Winnetonka 1
2	Lee's Sumt. N. 1	0	NKC 2
2	Winnetonka 0	1	Raytown 2
2	NKC 0	2	Fort Osage 0

EVERY HOME GAME THE PLAYERS WERE INTRODUCED AS THEY RAN THROUGH A tunnel of teammates and threw balls to fans. Austin Wilhite, sr, who runs down the tunnel, said, "I loved when they called my name and everyone cheered for me. It was great to have people cheer for our team." Photo by Jason Noel



Volleyball. Front Row: Melissa Propps, Austin Wilhite, Laura Crowley, Row 2: Janie Peach, Michelle Hutchison, Lacy Levandowski, Erin Scott, Nicie Hamerle, Row 3: Coach Debbie Becker, Coach Tracey Waring, Katie Eymann, Tanisha Robinson, Lindsay Fuller, Aaron Rowan, Tonya Trout, Tracy Carkeek, Coach Deniec Steenstra Row 4: Amanda Brunz, Randi Miller, Sally Herrin, Andrea Shadrick, Tara Southwick, **Not Pictured:** Emily Buford, Akila Roman, Managers: Holly Eisenlohr, Jenny Copper Photo by David Dice

Royal Legion

Boys soccer team shows strength in numbers

The Royal Legion, the theme name for the boys soccer team, lived up to its name by advancing to sectionals which is the farthest ever by a Liberty soccer team.

Even with a tough schedule, by playing well-ranked teams such as Blue Springs, Lee's Summit North, and Rockhurst, the squad finished with a 17-5-4 varsity record. In the Liberty Tournament the squad placed second overall, and for the first time ever played an out-of-state team from Marquette, Wisconsin.

"Focus, sacrifice, and the desire to win created a successful team," said Nick Robinson. "I had so much fun this year. I'm grateful I could play and be a part of the team. It was a great experience and one I'll never forget."

Head Coach Alex Aiman compared this successful team to Michael Chang. Chang is a mentally strong individual, who is viewed as unbeatable. Though Chang may be tough competition, it is possible to beat him. Aiman believes in the team and as long as they have the mental strength of Chang, they will remain hard to beat.

"The team had high goals and worked very hard in practice to perform well on the field," said Michael Rosenthal, soph.

The season ended in the semifinal game for state with a 0-3 loss against Rockhurst.

"Our season started out slowly, but we came together and had a winning season," said Kyle Jones, jr.

The team worked well together and the squad accomplished a tremendous goal, added Jones. —*By Sarah Nelson and Kristen Miller*



THE DEFENSE TAKES A LOT OF EFFORT IN ABLE TO RETRIEVE THE BALL AND SCORE A GOAL. LUKE Meriwether, jr, tries and steals the ball from a Kearney player in a plan to score or assist in a goal. Throughout the season Meriwether had an overall total of four goals scored. The squad continued their season by playing Winnetonka next. **Photo by Melissa Propps**

STRENGTH AND determination were key factors in winning a game. Senior Jorge Rodriquez has a new experience playing on a squad in the cold weather for the first time.

Photo by Grant Hensel



For the Record

Boys Soccer

Varsity

L	0
2nd Liberty Tourn	
1 Blue Springs S.	0
3 Park Hill	1
1 Bishop Miege	1
1 Kearney	0
3 Winnetonka	2
5 Raytown	3
0 Marquette, WI	3
3 Rockhurst	1
1 Lee's Sumt. N.	1
1 Fort Osage	1
4 Grandview	1
1 Oak Park	0
4 NKC	0
6 Winnetonka	1
4 Raytown	2
1 Lee's Sumt. N.	1
0 Fort Osage	1
2 Grandview	1
2 NKC	3
Districts	
4 Oak Park	0

Varsity

L	0
3 Winnetonka	1
Sectionals	
3 Blue Springs	0
0 Rockhurst	3
JV	
L	0
0 Park Hill	3
0 Bishop Miege	2
3 Kearney	0
1 Winnetonka	0
7 Raytown	0
3 Lee's Sumt. N.	0
2 Fort Osage	3
7 Grandview	0
0 Oak Park	1
2 NKC	1
2 Winnetonka	0
4 Raytown	0
0 Lee's Sumt. N.	0
4 Fort Osage	0
2 Grandview	0
2 NKC	0

SENIOR SCOTT TAYLOR KEEPS THE BALL AWAY FROM THE OPPOSING defender to hopefully score a goal. Taylor ended the season with 25 goals, highest for the squad. Photo by Jennifer Hannah



Boy's Soccer. First Row: Nick Robinson, Aaron Marrero, Scott Taylor, Neale Orschlen, and Jorge Rodriguez. **Row 2:** Matt McClanahan, Brett Grego, Amos Marrero, Luke Meriwether, Bobby Clark, Eric Larson, and Jan Kocum. **Row 3:** Michael Rosenthal, Michael Caruso, Matt Rumans, Brian Brane, Eric Clemenson, and Jordan Carr. **Row 4:** John D'Attoma, Austin Walsh, Andy Jarrett, Adam Troutwine, Travis Wymore, and Andy Clark. **Row 5:** Kyle Jones, Evan Leiby, Kent Dryer, Nick Koehler, and Vinny Giambrone. **Row 6:** John Bocher, Justin Wheeler, Brett Guggenmos, Matt Elliott, and Josh Wrolstad. **Not Pictured:** Kyle Sajevic, Andy Clark, Chris Engle, Steven Meyer, Matt Slaughter, Steven Wahl, Zach Woods, Marc Armbruster, Nick Berry, Josh Billings, John Bouhan, Matt Cox, Jeremy McBee, Tyler Nash, Bernie Raasch, Chad Rodgers, Eric Salazar, Aaron Wilson, Coach Alex Aiman, and Coach Tait Einerson. Photo by David Dice

For the Record

Girls Cross Country

Varsity

JV

Truman
Liberty Inv.
KC Metro
Grandview
Ex. Springs
Conference
Districts
Sectionals
State

1st
1st
3rd
8th
1st
2nd
2nd
1st
7th

Truman
Park Hill
Liberty Inv.
KC Metro
Grandview
Ex. Springs
Conference

4th
2nd
1st
5th
3rd
1st
1st

COMPETITION WAS FIERCE AT MEETS DUE TO ALL OF THE TEAMS RUNNING. Racing to the finish line, Janet Boschert, sr, pushes herself. "We had to run against 20 teams at a time. That was tough," Boschert said. Photo by Sarah Shade



AFTER THE RACE, COACH RENEE STIRTZ SHOWS AMANDA HOLFERTY, SOPH, HER PLACE AT STATE. Katy Graber, who also competed in state said, "I always tried to keep a good pace going. That was the most important thing to do during a race." Photo by Sarah Shade

Boys and Girls Cross Country. Front row: Analinda Palencia, Janet Boschert, Kim Rooney, Anna Railey, Jennifer Boschert. **Row 2:** Rachael King, Aleece Mathis, Stephen Darby, Luke Kramer, Kyle Daily, Micah Beatty, Andy Papek, Katy Graber, Rachel Crossett. **Row 3:** Coach Tim Nixon, Ashley Ervin, Scott Hustler, Lyndsey Miller, Stephanie Searcy, Krista Blackmore, Joseph Travaglianti, Amanda Halferty, Kaytie Tucker, Ryan Vanypere, Coach Renee Stirtz, Coach Bob Miller. **Row 4:** Erin Raines, Cheryl Drogan, Kristin Leitze, Nathaniel Dempsey, Aaron McKawn, Jacob Oyen, Dan Capps, Candace Owens, Stephanie Drogan, Bobby Lyons, Matt Krohne. **Row 5:** Adam Kramer, Rob Moore, Lisa Agee, Jayna Vaccaro, Amy Mallams, Emily Cardwell, Miranda Wettstein, Susan Driskill, Valerie Rodriguez, Meagan Sherbo, Julia Hogan. **Row 6:** Amie Vogt, Cari Colgan, Kristen Miller, Britni Boggess, Kim Davison, Matt Searcy, Andrew Rittersbacher, Sarah Shade, Nicole Kraft, Beatriz Gonzalez, Brooke Rodgers, Melissa Cole. **Row 7:** Gabe McCubbin, Nathan Kincaid, Sam Palmer, Ryan Hampton, Dustin Eichler, Brandon McCulloh, Mark Lombard, J.J. Vanypere, Andrew Schoch, John Hopkins, Kayle Guest, Bethany Detrick, Melissa Daugherty. **Row 8:** Eerie Raash, Scott Brant, Chris Weseloh, Carrie Peter, Rochelle Davitt, Danny Sarver, Crick Watkins, Josiah James, Eric Cole, Jon Harman, Riley Davis, Jon Brouse, Mark Hylton. **Not Pictured:** Lindsey Miller, Tracey Rychlewski, Andrew Lee, Julie Barchers, Martha Morrison, Brett Guggenmos, Stan Grinter, J.D. Hopkins, Michael Rumsey, Justin Wheeler. Photo by David Dice



Caught Under Toe

Girls cross country takes team unity and dedication to state

Don't Get Caught In Our Undertoe" was a theme that pushed cross country all the way to state. Each year Coach Tim Nixon thought of a phrase and used this theme to motivate his runners to do their best. This one meant that other teams had to work as hard as Liberty or they were just going to get passed and caught in the "Undertoe."

Along with this theme came dedication and team unity. "When I think of cross country I think of teamwork. It looks like an individual sport but you really have to have everyone's help to go to state," said Jennifer Boschert, sr.

The girls' team took second at conference held at Longview Community College and first at sectionals. By placing in the top four teams at sectionals they qualified to attend state. "It was the hardest we worked in a long time. Everyone set a goal, went after it, and accomplished it," said junior Jayna Vaccaro.

At state, held in Jefferson City, the girls took seventh place. "The season went well. It had its ups and downs. We didn't really finish how we wanted to but we did do better than we thought we would at the beginning of the season," said Rachel King, sr.

Cross country worked towards state by running twice a day, during the season and off-season, and lifting weights. "People don't realize how much work goes into it. They think that it's just a dead sport, that everyone can run, but it's not. You really have to pace yourself in a race," said sophomore Amy Mallams.

Along with dedication and practices came fun. "Cross country was more than running. It was having fun and working hard," said Erin Raines, soph. —By Jennifer Shaver



AT THIS RACE, WHICH WAS HELD AT SHAWNEE MISSION, SENIOR ANNA RAILEY SPRINTS HER WAY UP A HILL. Hills were run at least once a week during practice to prepare runners for the hilly terrain of cross country courses. At practice, runners ran an average of 5-7 miles. Every Tuesday and Thursday the team traveled to a certain place, such as Bennet Park, for a road run. Photo by Sarah Shade



WAITING ANXIOUSLY for the race to start, the girls team prepares mentally and takes their mark at the Excelsior Springs meet. At most races the freshmen and sophomores ran first followed by junior varsity. Varsity ran last. Photo by Sarah Shade

Fourth at State

Boys Cross Country team also clinches conference champs title

One thing was on the minds of the boys cross country team at the beginning of the season: state. "Everyone knew how important the off-season was and we all had the same goal in mind and that was to go to state as a team," said Dustin Eichler, jr.

The boys did succeed in accomplishing their goal and did better than even they expected to. They placed fourth out of 16 teams in Jefferson City, but this did not come without lots of time and practice.

Besides just running during the season there was a lot of preparation before the season. The summer was not time to relax and wait for the fall to come to start practicing; it was just another practice day. "I'm glad we ran during the summer as well because it gave us a head start with the season (which started at midnight on Aug. 13) and it made me get up and exercise besides just sitting around and watching TV," said Bobby Lyons, jr. Coach Tim Nixon liked for them to practice once in the morning and again after school starting at the beginning of the school year. "We practiced a bunch. We lifted weights, played games to make practice more fun; we ran and we ran some more," said Scott Brant, soph.

Cross country might be thought of as an individual sport, but teamwork made it easier to get to state—the first time the boys cross country team had done so in 11 years. Every year Coach Nixon makes up a new team slogan/motto to give the runners pride in their team. This year's team motto was "Don't Get Caught in Our Undertoe."

"To me this means watch out because Liberty is coming and they are so swift that the only way to catch us is if you practiced as hard and as much as we did this season," said Lyons, jr. —By Jenny deFlon



VARSITY RUNNER SOPHOMORE RYAN HAMPTON RACES TO THE FINISH LINE AT THE LIBERTY INVITATIONAL. Practice varied depending on the day of the week. Every Tuesday and Thursday they traveled to places like Bennett and Canterbury Park to run the trails or to run hills. Photo by Crystal Lovell

THE MOMENT THEY ALL waited for arrives, receiving their award for being conference champs. Varsity and JV both finished first at Longview. They were one step closer to having a spot at state. Photo by Sarah Shade



For the Record

Cross Country

Varsity

JV

Truman **2nd**
 Liberty Inv. **1st**
 KC Metro **5th**
 Ex. Springs **2nd**
 Conference **1st**
 Districts **2nd**
 Sectionals **3rd**
 State **4th**

Truman **3rd**
 Park Hill **2nd**
 Liberty Inv. **1st**
 KC Metro **2nd**
 Grandview **2nd**
 Ex. Springs **2nd**
 Conference **1st**



"Finally, after 11 years, the drought was over. The boys cross country team made it to state and started a tsunami," said Micah Beatty, sr.



"The team got along great! We were all close and pretty good friends, and we helped carry each other throughout the hard times," said Matt Krohne, soph.

FRUSTRATION COMES WITH THE SPORT IS WHAT DUSTIN EICHLER, JR, FOUND out. He was not injured during the race, but he was sore after running. For the most part, injuries did not trouble the boys cross country team. Photo by Katy Graber



AFTER THE WARM-UP, THE VARSITY TEAM LINES up after the announcement that the race is going to begin. One part of the warm-up is to stretch and do a jog as a team, not just individually. They all have to get prepared physically as well as mentally for the 3.1 mile run ahead of them. Photo by Shaun Kennedy

For the Record

Football

ADKINS STADIUM HELD THE SEMIFINALS GAME. TODD EDWARDS, SR, PUSHES his way through the Jefferson City defense, in a season-ending 43-19 loss. Edwards ran 53-yards, scoring the final touch-down in the last minute of play. Photo by Jason Noel



Varsity			JV		
L		O	L		O
47	Ex. Sprgs.	13	8	Ex. Sprgs.	7
0	Lee's Summit	15	7	Lee's Summit	36
41	Grandview	15	19	Grandview	6
17	Rockhurst	14	13	Rockhurst	41
44	Raytown	14	27	Raytown	12
13	Lee's Sumt. N.	6	0	Lee's Sumt. N.	28
46	Hickman Mills	6	35	Center	89
40	NKC	7	34	Hickman Mills	34
41	Winnetonka	6	17	NKC	14
47	Fort Osage	13			
42	Oak Park	28			
34	Blue Springs	8			
19	Jefferson City	42			

"It was a great season, not only for football, but for all of the fall sports. I have not seen the positive attitudes like that ever.

They all have good work ethic, but the biggest thing is they are focused towards the team goals not "I" goals."

Coach Dan Anderson

Football. Front row: Jeff Christman, Jason Filbeck, Trevor Allison, Todd Edwards, Pierre Mosby, Justin Allen, Joel Womack, Kurt Dearing, Scott Thiel, David de la Fuente. **Row 2:** Bryon Wood, Ryan Stephens, Chris Chiarelli, André Weed, Chris Vick, Adam Schwartz, Mike Segura, Brian Gillespie, David Schnieders, Bryan Riggs, Connor Burns. **Row 3:** Tamara Carkeek, Coach Hoover, Coach Murdock, Coach Hansen, Coach Phelps, Coach Brown, Coach Anderson, Coach Stirtz, Coach Evans, Coach Frigon, Coach Cahill, Coach Davis, Ryan Westfall. **Row 4:** James Garcia, Matt Martin, Robbie Sanders, Sharodd Dukes, Nathan Fountain, Luke Boylan, Tyler Anderson, Charles Hicks, Daniel Mendala, T.J. Hunt, Tony Kelley, Ryan Lindsay, Jeff Sharp, Stephen Davidson, Jason Jones. **Row 5:** Lee Thompson, Paul Pearson, Adam Untch, Jason Madison, Frank Benavidez, Jacob Drew, Trevor Forney, Chris Robb, Adam Rose, Kevin Smith, Andy Riley, Matt Searcy, Blaine Lewis, Todd Webb. **Row 6:** Jerry Ramos, Brandon Dupuie, Grant Alden, Brett Elliott, Tyler Smith, Frankie Hickman, James Kern, John Darst, Mike Tysdal, Jay Johnson, Robert Horne, Brandon Gilpin, Chris Tyrrell, Danny Haffner, Justin Jeffries. **Row 7:** Nathan Cooper, Blake Gray, James Hamilton, Jon Vaccaro, Jon Carpenter, Josh Moree, Clay Brown, Ben Blanton, Casey Snodgrass, Brandon Wallace, Robert Norris, Todd Robinson, Adam Schopper. **Row 8:** Roy Little, Travis Downing, John O'Kane, Jim Dixon, Justin McDaniel, Ty Mead, Jason Breit, Mike Jury, Jason Richenberger, Stuart Allen, Joe Fisher, Ryan Bauer, James Adams, Dustin Cundiff, R.J. Howe. Photo by David Dice



No "I" in team

The football team works together to advance in play

It's the best game in the world, not everybody can do it or everybody would, and you can't beat the feeling when you make thousands of people jump to their feet," said senior Jason Filbeck.

In fact, not another football team in the metro area could compete with such achievements, like the titles of conference and district champs, and the chance to play in the state 5A semifinal game. And not everyone can complete a season with a 10-3 varsity record. Though the season seemed to come to an abrupt end for some in Jefferson City, great accomplishments were still evident.

"The high point of the season was the win over Blue Springs. They were a team capable of going to state, they were very focused. But it's the best game I've ever known, and probably the best game Liberty has ever played," said Varsity Head Coach Dan Anderson.

Most of the over 20 senior players had many chances to make that one special memory; many of their first seasons were 5 years ago, in eighth grade. Some on the other hand, like kicker Luke Viviano, sr, who started playing just this year.

"I wanted to play, for a change. Football was a sport that was just so different from soccer. I plan to play after this season with a football scholarship," Viviano said.

Crowds poured out, despite varying weather conditions, to support and cheer on the players. Poor weather conditions did not alter the team performance, either, as one game was even played in the freezing cold sleet which some said they enjoyed.

When asked what he liked most about playing football, Bryon Woods, sr, said, "I like the hitting. I'm an animal." —By Kristen Miller and Amie Vogt



CELEBRATING A WIN OVER OAK PARK, SENIORS CONNOR BURNS, SCOTT THIEL, AND BRYAN RIGGS raise their helmets to a victory. After beating Oak Park the team advanced to district play, where they defeated Blue Springs by a score of 34-8. Many players felt the team truly rallied together to perform their best on the playing field.

Photo by Melissa Propps



TAKING ON THE opponent, Pierre Mosby, sr, breaks with the ball. The Nov. 7 game against Fort Osage brought a 47-13 victory for the team. In the next game they became conference champs.

Photo by Jason Noel

Hit with new team

JV tennis players fill varsity roles and step up with team spirit

Tennis racket key chains, blue fingernail polish, Gatorade, and candy were a few of the secret sister gifts received by teammates before matches for good luck.

Through this and other activities, like watching the KC Explorers, an area tennis team, play, the Liberty players developed a strong team spirit.

"For spirit we made hair ties and we made boxers and decorated them," Michelle Fulks, jr, said.

Team building was important for a group that had lost all their varsity players from last year. Many junior varsity players had to step up and fill varsity spots.

"At the beginning of the season, we had lost a bunch of players from last year, but we made up for it with team spirit and being close," Natasha Palmer, jr, said.

Encouragement from teammates was shown during practices and matches, too. The girls cheered each other on while they ran their warm-ups or competed.

"The girls on the team worked together and supported each other. We were like a family," B. J. Smith, jr, said.

Many players had a strategy or goal in mind when they went into a match. This helped them to focus on how they wanted to play.

"I focused not on winning, but playing consistently and letting (the opponents) make the mistakes," Lee Ann Barnes, soph, said.

The team was different in that their team spirit made them closer on and off the court.

"This season the team seemed a lot closer. We were all friends," Jolene Lyons, sr, said. —*By Kristin*

Leitze



WHILE FOCUSING ON THE BALL JULI JARRETT, JR, SWINGS HER RACKET IN THE FOREHAND POSITION TO return the ball to her opponent. Coaches tried to stress several points during the season. "I think we tried to work on technique and improving the service and volley game. We also tried to get across the concept that tennis is a team sport as well as an individual sport," Jane Pfeffer, coach, said. **Photo by Sarah Shade**

BEFORE A MATCH, APRIL Fulks, sr, paints her teammate's face.

The team also showed team spirit by giving stickers. "If we did well in a match, we would get stickers or a pat on the back if we lost," Georgia Lucas, soph, said.

Photo by Sarah Shade



For the Record

Girls Tennis

Varsity

L		W
9	Wm. Chrisman	0
9	Grandview	0
6	Fort Osage	3
1	Winnetonka	8
2	Lee's Summit	2
3	NKC	7
0	Lee's Sumt. N.	7
8	Grandview	1
1	Oak Park	8
33	Conference	Tie 1
2	Winnetonka	7
1	Blue Springs	8
7	NKC	2
5	Fort Osage	4
0	Lee's Sumt. N.	10
---	Truman	---
---	District	---

JV

L		W
7	Wm. Chrisman	2
9	Grandview	0
8	Fort Osage	1
7	Winnetonka	2
3	Lee's Summit	1
4	NKC	5
7	Lee's Sumt. N.	0
9	Grandview	0
5	Oak Park	4
43	Conference	1st
2	Winnetonka	7
5	Blue Springs	3
7	NKC	2
4	Fort Osage	1
7	Lee's Sumt. N.	2
---	Truman	---

3rd Jennipher Shaver

4th Lee Ann Barnes

"I tried to concentrate on how I played as well as (on) my opponent. I tried to play up on their weak side."

—Becky Crawford, soph

AS A SIGN OF GOOD SPORTSMANSHIP, JENNIPHER SHAVER, JR, SHAKES HANDS and congratulates her opponent after their match on Sept. 30 against Blue Springs. During the season, the players worked on their team etiquette. Photo by Greg Shaver



Tennis. Front Row: April Fulks, Emily Tucker, Jolene Lyons, and Lisa White. **Row 2:** Jayn Bailey, Georgia Lucas, Becky Crawford, Natasha Palmer, Rachel McCulloh, Sarah Nelson, Melissa Hernandez, Juli Jarrett, Cara Dewey, and Holly Miller. **Row 3:** Coach Kari Howell, Abby Crossett, Michelle Fulks, Erin Reed, Jennipher Shaver, B.J. Smith, Katie Davis, Laura Phillips, Valerie Cogley, Erin Smith, and Coach Jane Pfeffer. **Row 4:** Abbie Wertz, Kate Noland, Lindsey Ibarra, Heather Hutcheson, Sara Tegeler, Sara deFlon, Lee Ann Barnes, Melissa Martens and Kari Evans. **Not Pictured:** Ericka Breit, Megan Pickard, Christine Lehnardt, Ashley Orscheln, Cara Thompson, and Kalina Davenport. Photo by David Dice

For the Record

Girls Golf

Varsity

L	O	L	O
208	St. Teresa/ 192	196	Richmond 243
	St. Jo Central 203		Marshall 239
200	Lee's Summit/ 228		Kearney 244
	Lee'e Summit N. 197	177	Kearney 232
11	Blue Springs/ 129	189	Truman 264
	Blue Springs 200		Wm Chrisman 290
	South/Kearney 240	4th	Richmond
187	Lawson 269		Tournament
183	Lee's Summit 223	177	Kearney 232
	Lee's Summit N. 189	183	St. Teresa 179
188	Truman 230	194	Lawson 215
	Wm Chrisman 242		Warrensburg
		2nd	District
		7th	State

AT GOLF DISTRICTS HELD AT ST. JOSEPH, BECKY COSTELLO, SR, CAREFULLY considers her next shot. In this meet which was held Oct. 13, the girls left with a second place win. They then went on to place seventh in state. Photo by Melissa Propps



"My dad got me into golf when I was younger and when we moved to the country my dad built a small golf course on our land. He is always encouraging me to go out and practice." Amber Mulvaney, jr.

"I enjoyed playing with the girls after school. We are all really close. We worked hard and had a lot of fun. We had a lot of potential and that is why we worked hard." Tisha Rohlf, sr.

Girls Golf. Front Row: Becky Costello, Misty Dever, and Natasha Rohlf. **Row 2:** Nancy Driskill, Jennifer Trusler, Carrie Boulware, Christin Boulware, Amber Mulvaney, and Melanie Martens. **Row 3:** Heather Thomas, Megan Day, Allison Selmon, Julie Mullennix, Andrea Roberts, and Coach Forrest Bertoldie. **Not Pictured:** Ericka Cone, Carrie Crossett, Sara Fermanian, Kelly McAllister, and Bridget Shields. Photo by David Dice





THE HOME MEET AGAINST LAWSON AND WARRENSBURG, IN WHICH MISTY DEVER, SR, PREPARES TO HIT the ball, was one of only five meets the girls lost. Aside from doing well this season, the girls had fun. "The most enjoyable part about being on the golf team was going to matches and doing well because it helps you improve and makes you feel good about yourself," Andrea Roberts, jr, said. **Photo by Shaun Kennedy**

Putting to state

In existence for only two years, the girls golf team goes to state again

The players on the girls golf team are in agreement: the second season for the team was a huge success. The girls traveled to state again this year where Nancy Driskill, jr, finished third and will return next year as one of the best players in the state, according to Forrest Bertoldie, girls golf coach.

"This season was a good experience because I improved my game and it was fun," Carrie Boulware, soph, said.

Coach Bertoldie echoed the sentiments of players. He said the team added many new players, six of whom were freshmen.

"I love the sport. I enjoy working with the girls and I believe this sport provides an opportunity unlike other sports. When you learn to play golf, you can play it for the rest of your life," Bertoldie said.

Practices were held every day after school for about two hours. There were two meets a week that lasted about two hours, also.

"Practices were a lot more laid back than other sports because you got to go out on your own and work to improve your game. You were not pressured to do lots of drills," Carrie Crossett, jr, said.

According to players, the team got along well and had fun together. They went to eat as a team after home meets at places like Legends and Two-Pals Pizza.

"The most enjoyable part of being on the golf team was just being able to play with friends after school," Kelly McCalister, soph, said.

The girls ended their season with an 18-5 record and a fourth place win in the Richmond tournament.

"This season was successful. We had 18 girls complete the season," Bertoldie said. —*By Jenny Day*

Never give up

Practice brings players one of their most successful seasons

The softball team made a winning season combining the efforts of every player. Both coaches and players had the drive to win and stay on their toes, said Molly Davis, jr.

The softball team found two ways to succeed.

"Our program is continually developed both on and off the field, and this has led to the Blue Jays most outstanding season ever in conference record and overall record," said Mike Smith, coach.

Even when the team didn't come out on top, players knew to stay focused and carry on.

"When we tried our hardest and didn't win, we were taught to always keep our heads up high because there was always another game," Heather Simmons, jr, said.

While practicing together for months and spending long evenings together at both home and away games, memories were made.

"My favorite game was the one against Lee's Summit North because we won and saw them get yelled at by their coach," Davis said.

Contributing good plays to benefit the team is what many worked for.

"In the game against Winnetonka I caught a couple of fly balls and it contributed to how the game went," Cassandra Berry, jr, said.

This group of girls made a unique team, from sophomores to seniors.

"We had a special group of seniors and a great bunch of kids who dedicated themselves to the memory of Amanda Headley to work harder and never give up," said Smith.

Teammate Amanda Headley, jr, died in a car accident in August. —By Cari Colgan



STARTING VARSITY PITCHER LISA STREETER, SR., WINDS UP A PITCH FOR AN OPPONENT FROM GRANDVIEW. Streeter was awarded a position on the All-Metro team for her second consecutive year. This year she was named first team pitcher. Ten other members also received honors for the All-Metro team. Jennifer Ham, sr, earned the honor of All-District team outfield. Photo by Andrea Mallams

PRACTICE AND dedication gives sophomore Brianne Kelley an opportunity to pitch to a member of the Fort Osage softball team. Kelly's pitching helped contribute to the Blue Jays 14-2 win. Photo by Sarah Shade



For the Record

Softball

Varsity

L	0
0 Blue Springs	7
3 Belton	2
15 De Sion	0
2 NKC	6
10 Fort Osage	0
7 Ray-South	0
5 Winnetonka	2
2 Raytown	3
2 Truman	0
12 Grandview	0
2 Truman	3
7 Winnetonka	1
5 Warrensburg	0
3 Lee's Sumt. N.	0
6 Kearney	0
5 NKC	1
13 Fort Osage	1
7 Kearney	1
0 Raytown	1
10 Grandview	0
6 Lee's Sumt. N.	5
5 Winnetonka	7
3 NKC	0
1 Wm.Chrisman	2

JV

L	0
14 Fort Osage	2
12 Ray-South	13
8 Winnetonka	5
2 Raytown	1
3 Truman	4
18 Grandview	0
0 Lee's Sumt. N.	3
7 Kearney	0
9 NKC	1
3 Fort Osage	0
5 Fo Tourney	7
11 Ex. Springs	2
3 Oak Park	4
10 Kearney	0
13 Raytown	1
11 Grandview	1
5 Lee's Sumt. N.	15
14 Winnetonka	1
11 NKC	1

SENIOR AMY POWERS GUARDS THIRD BASE IN A GAME AGAINST WILLIAM Chrisman. The Blue Jays lost, 1-2. "My favorite memory was the game against North Kansas City. My mom, who doesn't live, here came and watched me in the game when I hit a triple," Powers said. Photo by Melissa Propps



Softball. Front row: Hannah Lomas, Amanda Overstreet, Melissa Dawdy, Jennifer Ham, Lisa Streeter, Andrea Kennedy and Amy Powers. **Row 2:** Ashley Finn, Danielle Watters, Holly Nowatzke, Brianne Kelley, Sarah Mahan, Megan Williams, Heather Simmons, Ashley Muck and Rachel Hylton. **Row 3:** Katie Wymore, Sarah Wahl, Becky Anderson and Erin Dearing. **Row 4:** Breanne Robertson, Molly Davis, Dana Linn, Lydny Richmond, Stacy Mcalexander, Brandy Heins, Jessie Christiansen, Amber Ford and Becky McDowell. **Row 5:** Kim Mathis, Rebecca Batcheller, Michelle Sharp, Cassandra Berry, April Morrison, Charity Head, Maggie Brown and Lacey Jelinek. **Not Pictured:** Candance Newsom. Photo by David Dice

For the Record

Boys Swimming

L	0	117	NKC	67
89	St. Pius	34	84	Raytown
95	Winnetonka	19	96	St. Joe Central
95	Kearney	87	96	Wm. Chrisman
95	Ray. South	63	96	Truman
95	Ray Pec	40	154	Bl. Sprgs. So.
95	Grandview	17	154	Blue Sprgs.
89	Park Hill	87	154	Ray Pec
89	Kearney	64	10th	Olathe Inv.
89	Winnetonka	31	10th	MO KAN
117	Oak Park	143	3rd/1st	Conference
117	Park Hill	125	18th	State

POSITIONING TO ENTER THE WATER, JUNIOR DAVID ROBINSON COMPLETES HIS dive. Robinson was the only diver to qualify for the state meet in Columbia where he placed 15th. Swimmers who qualified for state were Andy Harken, soph, Scott Sterling, jr, Adam Troutwine, jr, and Stephen Darby, sr. Photo by Sarah Shade



TAKING A QUICK BREATH, SOPHOMORE JAROD BREIT SWIMS FREESTYLE IN A HOME MEET. THERE were four home meets during the season. Photo by Andrea Mallams

Boys Swimming and Diving. Front row: Anton Tkcal and Brad Mitchell. **Row 2:** Matt Pike, Scott Huster, Shannon Rulon, Sean Bouhan, Andrew Pickard, Dan Capps, and Jed Wilson. **Row 3:** Jack Walsh, Scott Sterling, Brett Elliot, Matt Searcy, David Robinson, Andrew Rittersbacher, Chris Champlin, and Nate Osburn. **Row 4:** Blair Crosby, Kyle Payton, Andy Harken, Adam Troutwine, Ted Campbell, Jerod Breit, Darren Blosser, Chris Bolin, Justin Makemson, and Trevor Tomney. **Not Pictured:** Micah Beatty, Stephen Darby, Josiah James, Matt Cox, Nathan Meirowsky, Errie Raasch, Kyle Daily, and Greg Smith. Photo by David Dice



Starting off new blocks

Three fresh coaches take new team of swimmers to state

There was a new line of swimmers diving off the blocks this season. Almost all members who qualified for state last year graduated or didn't come out for the team. Yet, the boys made the year a success with a 15-4 dual meet record. Coach Trevor Tomney referred to the team as shaved and tapered.

"Our record was the about the same as last year, but we made up for the loss of our strong swimmers," said Stephen Darby, sr.

Not only did the swimmers have fun with the season, the coaches did too.

"I really enjoy the atmosphere and excitement of high school swimming. I also enjoy the team unity and the friendships that the swimmers make," said Coach Tomney.

The team really tried to have gatherings to get ready for meets or celebrate afterwards. One Saturday the team traveled to some caves and spent the day paint-balling. Many came back with bruises but seemed to have a good time.

"I decided after a few rounds to take off my neck protection. The next round I got hit in the neck and ended up with bruises," said Josiah James, jr.

With new coaches, more team activities, and the team bonding, memories were made at every meet and practice.

"My favorite memory was the bus rides to swim meets when everyone would sing Grateful dead songs," said Adam Troutwine, jr.

Other memories were made before conference when the team decided to go hairless.

"We buzzed our hair at the community center and shaved the rest at home," said Errie Raasch, jr. —*By Cari Colgan*



DURING THE SECOND HALF OF A SWIM MEET, BLAIR CROSBY, SOPH, SWIMS ONE OF THE LAST EVENTS, breast stroke, Jan. 8. There are two swimming halves in a meet with a diving session in between the halves. The total meet may consist of 12 events and last from two and three hours to an all-day invitational competition. Photo by Jason Noel



PUSHING ARMS UP HIGH and dolphin-kicking through the water, Scott Sterling, jr, swims and shows the technique of butterfly. "The swimmers improved a great deal on stroke technique throughout the season," said Coach Tomney. Photo by Melissa Propps

OFF THE FLOOR, NICK Robinson, sr, goes up for a slam dunk. Robinson signed to play for Stanford University in the year 2000. Photo by Jennifer Hannah



MATT ROWAN, SR, RECEIVES HIS CHAMPIONSHIP MEDAL. ROWAN SIGNED TO play basketball at the University of Missouri. "What I like most about playing is the rush when you win and the total feeling," Mike Jury, soph, (shown) said. Photo by Jennifer Hannah



For the Record

Boys Basketball

Varsity		JV	
L	O	L	O
84	Ruskin	52	64
87	Park Hill	55	46
92	Sedalia Smith-Cott.	47	60
84	Lee's Summit	65	65
56	Grandview	52	42
68	Fort Osage	48	55
62	Winnetonka	49	71
102	Savannah	43	75
78	K.C. East	55	56
84	Chillicothe	39	82
56	Raytown	43	73
60	Grandview	53	73
56	Lee's Sumt. N.	52	64
77	NKC	57	51
73	St. Joe. Benton	33	67
65	Raytown	55	60
84	Park Hill	60	57
41	Fort Osage	23	82
68	Raytown	61	52
84	Winnetonka	55	68
73	Rockhurst	50	86
52	Hickman Mills	37	72
65	Grandview	52	48
68	Lee's Sumt. N.	55	56
64	NKC	55	70
65	Winnetonka	47	65
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			37
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			64
			61
			64

Boys Basketball. Front Row: Tony Kelly, Matt Burton, and Todd Edwards. Row 2: Ryan Stegall, Chris Rouse, Brett Reid, Nick Robinson, Pierre Mosby, Jarrod McKay, and Matt Rowan. Row 3: Coach Mark Nusbam, Coach John Vickers, Kent Dryer, Stephen Kelly, Mike Jury, Jacob Street, Ryan McClelland, Ty Mead, Scott Fleming, and Coach Roger Stirtz. Row 4: Kyle Browning, Adam Trout, Matt Morris, Stuart Allen, Jason Kipping, Matt Fisher, Jesse Snodgrass, Kevin Smith. Photo by David Dice





DRIVING DOWN THE LANE, SCOTT FLEMING, JR., LAYS UP A SHOT AGAINST CHILICOTHE IN THE William Jewell Holiday Classic. The team took first place in the tournament by defeating Chillicothe 84-39. While on the bus ride to away games, the players concentrated on the game at hand and talked about what they needed to get done to win. Photo by Melissa Propps

Un - de - feated!

One point wins and overtime victories bring home a state championship

Unbeaten in record, dominating in crowd appeal and spirit, and excelling in academics, the boys basketball team posted an undefeated season.

Fans chanted "UN-DE-FEATED" at the end of each victory, spurring on the team's success and putting some pressure on the players, too. "The fans pressured us the most to be undefeated because they didn't want to lose their undefeated champs," Ryan McClelland, jr, said.

As the pressure mounted, fans followed the team all over Missouri. School was even let out Mar. 13 so many could make the trip to Columbia. "The fans were really supportive and they pumped me up to play at the state game," Chris Rouse, sr, said.

Defeating the Lafayette Lancers 42-41 in the last minute of the game gave them the state championship and a perfect record of 31-0, the best record in school history.

The celebration of the championship continued with a recognition ceremony, a state champs sign placed at the entrance of the city, and a cereal box, "Hometown Stars" showing their picture and record.

The team had also secured the conference title in a 68-55 victory over Lee's Summit North Feb. 17. Fans packed Cokely Field House for their final home game which was televised live on Metro Sports.

Motivation and pressure produced a victorious rematch against Hickman Mills, which had broken the undefeated streak last year. By beating them 52-37 Feb. 6 the varsity achieved another goal.

"[The goals I set for myself were] to help the team win and to help win state," Ryan Stegall, sr, said.

He did just that! —By *Kristin Leitze*

Oct. 10 at the boys football game, Nicki Venditti, sr, dances with the squad. During performances, members had to think of various things, from remembering to smile to the actual dance to just having fun. Photo by Jason Noel



Performing for spectators at the Oct. 5 basketball game, members of pom wait for the music to begin. Many of girls said they got nervous prior to a performance. Photo by Jason Noel



"Our first football game was really exciting—especially when they yelled my name." Amy Harris, soph



"My best memory is probably camp. We all did well at competitions." Melissa Hernandez, jr

Pom Pon. Front row: Lindsay Lund, Shanna Hilt, Laura Probasco, Amber Derryberry, Shea Evans, and Nicki Venditti. Row 2: Andrea Hansen, Lesley Gardner, Melissa Hernandez, Jennifer Mutis, Sarah Long, and Amanda Hawkins. Row 3: Lyndsey Personett, Amy Harris, Elizabeth Hager, Hayley McCelland, Cara Thomson, and Tara Harmon. Photo by David Dice





During halftime Lindsay Lund, sr, dances at a basketball game. Lund performed with the squad for the second consecutive year. This was the first year sophomores were allowed to be a part of the squad. Photo by Jason Noel

Unity helps squad dance

Pom Pon performs at events to provide school spirit and add energy for the crowd



On Friday, Oct. 10 at the Homecoming football game, members of pom pon cheered for a cameraman from Channel 9 News. Also standing nearby was Karen Kornacki, sports reporter from Channel 9. The clip was shown on television later that night during the 10 p.m. news. Photo by Jason Noel

On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons the pom pon squad was likely to be found somewhere near the gym at practice.

The practices, which lasted approximately two hours, consisted of many activities. Warming up, toning, aerobics, plyometrics, and dancing were all parts of the practices.

In order to participate in a performance, a member of the squad had to complete a satisfactory evaluation and prove they knew the dance.

"Before performances I feel pumped up. I don't really get nervous; I just want to go out dance and have fun. During the performances I really just dance to the music. Afterwards, I'm excited that we all did

well and that we all worked together well," Amanda Hawkins, jr, said.

Many members of the squad gained friendships through the experience. The hours spent at practices and other events, like sleep-overs, helped bring the group together.

"I moved here this year from Georgia, and it's hard to meet people when you're new your junior year and don't really know anyone. I have met a lot of people through being involved in pom. They are all really nice people and I've made lots of friends. We all get along really well on the squad and we have come really close together this year," Andrea Hansen, jr, said. -By Meagan Sherbo

Records broken

de la Fuente, Neff, Pahl, Wood all place in state tournament

The wrestling team had eight members that qualified for the sectional tournament and four members who advanced to the state tournament. Six athletes had individual records of more than 20 wins, the best record Coach Andy Kohl has seen since he has been here.

David Neff had an individual regular season record of 40-0, finishing 4th at state. Brian Wood placed 2nd at state, Steven Pahl 6th, and David de la Fuente 4th.

Due to the smaller team this year they could not fill all of their weight classes and at each meet they automatically lost 12 points because of the unfulfilled 112 and 125 pounds classes. "Last year we only lost 4 duals, but this year we weren't so strong," said Coach Andy Kohl. But individual records showed that many had improved a great deal. "I feel like I have improved 100 percent since the beginning of the year," Jake Hiller, soph, said.

The season brought many exciting moments for the team members. "The most memorable part about being on the wrestling team was when I got my first pin against a kid from Benton in the Excelsior Springs Tournament," said Jim Bonikowski, soph. For many the season included memorable wins against rivals; for others the excitement came from their first pin. This record-breaking season gave everyone involved the thrill of victory.

It required a great deal of motivation in order to have reached these high goals, too. Matt Nash, soph, said "In order to get motivated for the match ahead of me, I try to get my adrenaline pumping, and just picture the match as it goes. I look at my opponent and try to get really mad at him." They finished 8th overall. —By Crystal Selvey



WRESTLING AT THE DISTRICT TOURNAMENT, SENIOR DAVID NEFF WINS THE FIRST ROUND. HE WENT ON TO WIN THE TOURNAMENT AS WELL AS QUALIFY FOR STATE. "THE MOST MEMORABLE PART ABOUT BEING ON THE WRESTLING TEAM THIS YEAR IS WHEN I WON THE RAYTOWN SOUTH TOURNAMENT." SAID NEFF, "I WORKED REALLY HARD AND IT PAID OFF." PHOTO BY GRANT HENSEL

PINNING HIS opponent, junior Allan Shurtz concentrates in order to beat a member of Raytown South. Guidelines for health and weight were distributed at the start of the season. Photo by Jason Noel



For the Record

Wrestling

Varsity

L		O
22	Fort Osage	48
15	Kearney	61
49	Winnetonka	30
57	St. Joe Central	21
38	Raytown	32
27	Ray-Pec	44
28	Lee's Summit N.	38
47	Grandview	16
25	N.K.C.	39
42	Raytown S.	32

Tournaments

Park Hill	3rd
Raytown South	7th
Winnetonka	5th
Oak Park	4th
District	3rd
State	8th

JV

L		O
6	Fort Osage	75
12	Kearney	13
27	Winnetonka	5
24	St. Joe Cent.	1
47	Raytown	4
18	Ray-Pec	0
24	Lee's Summit N.	48
31	Grandview	12
27	NKC	40
42	Raytown S.	12

Tournaments

Excelsior Springs	2nd
St. Joe Central	No score kept
Oak Park	4th

SOPHOMORE RYAN BAUER WRESTLES AT LIBERTY AGAINST AN OPPONENT from Grandview Jan. 13. During the season he wrestled for both varsity and junior varsity. Bauer ended the season with a record of 16-16, had 19 takedowns and 9 pins. Photo by Sarah Shade



Wrestling. Front row: Mike Segura, David Neff, Bryon Wood, Richard Edwards, Scott Roberts, David de la Fuente; **Row 2:** Kyle Ekern, Ronnie Phillips, Paul Pearson, Justin Jeffries, Matt Nash, Mike Tysdal, Ryan Griffith; **Row 3:** Coach Kohl, Coach Davis, James Kruse, Allan Shurtz, Sam Wheeler, David Eisler, Coach Hoover, Coach Blochlinger; **Row 4:** Matt Overholtzer, Casey Smith, Jimmy Dixon, Jake Hiller, Joe Fisher, Ben Rose, Steven Pahl; **Row 5:** Westin Detrich, James Garcia, Brandon Petty, Jason Robertson, Mitch Hiser, Matt Pallo. **Not Pictured:** Ryan Bauer, Jim Bonikowski, Hamilton Cline, Dustin Cundiff, Tim Hoit, Shawn Horrocks, Josh Littleton, Adam Micek, Adam Rose, Cal Terrasas. Photo by David Dice

Senior Shannon Taylor finishes the cheer for the pep assembly. Three seniors were on the squad, one being Jennifer Hannah the captain. She led the cheers and kept the squad organized with help from sponsor Karen Roberts. **Photo by Jason Noel**



At a volleyball game the cheerleaders did what they did best: they cheered the team on and raised the crowd's school spirit. "We did a lot to prepare for a game. We made signs that we put around the school, and we practiced our stunts and cheers," said Valerie Rodriguez, soph. **Photo by Jason Noel**



"You need to be in shape and willing to exercise a lot at practices as well as the games." said Sarah Bowles, soph



"Cheerleading is more than what most think it is. It takes a lot of hard work and time." said Kristen Ward, jr

Cheerleading. Front row: Leigh McFarland, Rachel Buhler, Jennifer Hannah, Shannon Taylor, and Kelli Mayo. **Second row:** Erin Cox and Janie Bowman. **Third row:** Kim Shaver, Kristen Ward, Kelsey Evans, Leslie Bowman, Valerie Rodriguez, and Kristin Crum. **Fourth row:** Sarah Bowles, Brooke Rodgers, Krystal Sweetland, Rhonda Austin, and Jessica Pruessner. **Photo by David Dice**





At the fall pep assembly the squad gets students and faculty ready for the big Homecoming football game that night. At practices they worked on stunts and cheers that would excite the audience as much as possible. Photo by Jason Noel

Old, new, & true Blue

Cheerleaders were full of school spirit to help players and fans get in the game



During Homecoming the cheerleaders got to show their spirit at the parade by riding through the historic square yelling chants and cheers. It has always been tradition for them to appear in the annual parade. Photo by Shaun Kennedy

We say blue, you say white. We say Liberty, you say Blue Jays. . . I'm sure you know the rest of the catchy cheer that helped get the crowd involved in the game.

This year seven of the 18 members returned for a second time so they knew how to work well with each other when the season began. The season for the cheerleading squad started in August with practices early in the morning preparing for competition.

Football season was next with Homecoming right around the corner. Every home game you could count on looking down in front of the field and seeing the squad of 18 girls, no matter the weather,

cheering their team on. "It was awfully cold at times but that didn't stop us from doing our job," said Erin Cox, jr. Besides just football games in the fall, there were also boys soccer and girls volleyball to cheer for. And again every home game you would see at least five of the squad members there.

The girls had at least one practice a week lasting about an hour and a half and about an average of two games to cheer for each week. Their season lasted from August to March. "We really got to know each other and it helped that we could listen to each other's ideas. It made things go a lot smoother during games and practices," said Leigh McFarland, jr. -By Jenny deFlon

No secret

Lady Jays basketball season proves girls have what it takes, too

Despite the lack of crowd support the girls basketball team flourished.

"It was hard to overshadow the boys team because they were undefeated and did very well. It was frustrating that people didn't realize that we were good, too," Erin Campbell, sr, said.

It was no secret to other teams that Liberty was good. The varsity ended regular season with a record of 11-3 and won the Ray-Pec tournament. The JV team had a strong year with a record of 13-4, won the Liberty tournament and came in second in the Park Hill tournament. The sophomore team ended their season 12-2.

"One of my stand-out moments of the season was when Laura C. had a behind-the-back pass in the Lee's Summit North game. It was so memorable because it was so unexpected and it took a lot of skills. It showed that girls can use the same skill as the boys," Molly Davison, jr, said.

The girls may not of have had a lot of fans, but they did have high expectations for the season. "We wanted to get better every game and to at least make it to the final four this season," Austin Whilite, sr, said.

To accomplish these goals the team practiced daily after school and on Saturdays. "Everyone worked really hard this year. We were determined to play our best. We wanted to go out every game and dominate," Laura Crowley, sr, said.

Teamwork was also the key to winning. "We knew how each other played and by the end of the season we could anticipate what each other was going to do. We beat some really good teams this year because we play as a team," sophomore team member, Nicole Kraft, said. —By Kristin Parrish



JENNIFER HAM, SR, ALSO KNOWN AS HAMMER BY HER TEAMMATES, LEAPS OVER A DEFENDER AS SHE shoots for two points. Ham was one of the six senior girls who played leadership roles on the varsity team. "The senior girls planned different activities for all of us to do as a team. The different things helped us bond. I think it helped us play better," Erin Parrish, soph, said. **Photo by Melissa Propps**

UNDER HEAVY PRESSURE

Erin Campbell, sr, focuses on scoring two points. Campbell was strong on the court and in the classroom. Campbell was a National Merit semi-finalist who scored 33 on the ACT.

Photo by Andrea Mallams



For the Record

Girls Basketball

Varsity

L	O
68 Blue Sprgs. N.	44
70 Exc. Sprgs.	43
69 Fort Osage	57
54 Winnetonka	30
61 Grandview	38
55 Lee's Summit N.	47
55 NKC	48
63 Fort Osage	60
51 Winnetonka	33
37 Raytown	51
61 Grandview	36
38 Kearney	39
58 Lee's Summit N.	38
67 NKC	78

JV

L	O
30 Blue Sprgs S.	42
49 Exc. Sprgs.	31
43 Fort Osage	48
47 Winnetonka	38
47 Raytown	41
54 Grandview	14
51 Lee's Summit N.	40
58 Fort Osage	50
39 Winnetonka	34
48 Raytown	60
48 Grandview	29
34 Kearney	22
44 Lee's Summit N.	40
52 NKC	29

District

52 St. Joe Cent. 65

"The girls intensity of play improved the most through the season. It became an emphases, if we played hard we had a chance to win," Forrest Bertoldie, said.

ALYSSA MORAN, SOPH, WENT FOR THE LAY-UP AGAINST FORT OSAGE. THE junior varsity girls beat the Tigers 21-20. "One of my goals this year was to start JV and then move up to varsity. I had to work really hard, but I accomplished my goal," Moran said. Photo by Andrea Mallams



Girls Basketball. Front row: Laura Crowley, Becky Costello, Erin Campbell, Misty Dever, Jennifer Ham, Austin Wilhite Row 2: Jenny Velder, Amanda Brunz, Nicole Kraft, Danielle Watter, Amber Mulvaney. Row 3: Erin Parrish, Allison Selmon, Aaron Rowan, Rochelle Davitt, Jill Bryant, Tanisha Robinson, Stacy McAlexander. Row 4: Charity Head, Nicole Hamerle, Alyssa Moran, Brandy Hiens, Molly Davis, Heather Hammond, Michelle Sharp. **Not Pictured:** Coach Jim Baker, JV Coach Forrest Bertoldie, Coach Pam Adams, Candance Newsome, Maggie Brown, Lindsay Fuller. Photo by David Dice

Some of the girls from the basketball team took part in an unusual activity during the time spent on trips to their away games. Jill Bryant is using her time to knit. Photo by Melissa Propps



"The softball team never stopped at restaurants because we always forgot to ask if we could after we won," said Melissa Dawdy, sr.



"When Terrell drove the bus it was fun because we always jammed to the radio. He even gave us pep talks," said Hannah Lomas, sr.



"The only rule that we had to follow was to stay quiet, but if we lost no one ever talked," said Jake Hiller, soph.



"My best memory from the bus trips was when the cheerleaders rode the bus with us," said Steven Pahl, jr.

Cross Country runners are getting ready to load onto the bus to head to Jefferson City for the state meet. Junior Martha Morrison said "On the way to the meet everyone slept, but on the way home we were wild. We played games and sang songs along with the radio."

Photo by Katy Graber





Buying something to eat at ASAP for an away game was a common tradition among athletes. Melissa Propps of the volleyball team purchases snacks before heading to the bus. Photo by Kim Fitch

Teams hit the Road

Away games allow players to relax, get to know their teammates and get motivated



The boys varsity basketball team rides the bus headed to an away game. This was a familiar routine for the team as they had ten regular season away games plus two tournaments and districts. Scott Fleming, jr, said "On the way home after we won a big game we had wrestling matches in the back of the bus. We listened to country music on the radio and everybody sang along with it." Photo by Jason Noel

Because athletes spend such a great deal of time on the bus headed to away games, it was a good idea to use the time wisely. Some of the teams used the time to mentally prepare for the task ahead of them. Junior Breanne Robertson of the girls softball team said, "Bus rides helped us get our minds set for the game ahead of us and gel as a team." The volleyball players said that they always ate on the way to the games and they got a pep talk from their coach. Everyone sat in their usual seats as a tradition. "After a loss we never said a word to anyone," said softball player Andrea Shadrick, soph.

Rest and recovery were common practices for athletes. Julie Barchers, jr, said, "(The cross country

runners) were always tired on the way up there because we left so early, and on the way home everyone was tired from being there all day."

On the lighter side, other teams used the trip to socialize. Wrestler Steven Pahl, jr, said "Our coach expected us to behave and not jump around all over the place, but we always talked." The spirit bus transported the pom pon squad, cheerleaders, and students who wanted to support the teams. Valerie Rodriguez, soph, said "The cheerleaders would sit in the back together and sometimes we would listen to music." Talking to team mates and getting motivated for their performances were the things that the athletes did on the road.

-By Crystal Selvey

Trent Trowbridge, soph, video tapes each varsity and junior varsity basketball game whether it is home or away. The tapes are available for the team to watch together or for any team member to view. Photo by Jason Noel



"For the most part we keep stats. Some of the stuff we record are shots, rebounds, fouls, and turnovers. The recording of shots, rebounds, and fouls are individual and team and the turnovers are done by team."

Cara Cline, sr, basketball manager.



"Managers help us with filming the competitions, scoring matches, keeping inventory and checking out uniforms, taking attendance, going to every away match, and being at each practice. They make our jobs easier by taking care of details which lets us coach and in turn makes a better team."

Dennis Blocklinger,
assistant wrestling coach.



"I have been around the sport my whole life and my brother was a wrestler," said Tamara Carkeek, soph. "I got to know the sport better and I feel better helping out the team." The

two Carkeek sisters manage both varsity and junior varsity wrestling teams.

"I enjoy managing wrestling because they make me feel like part of the team. Managers have to do a lot of work for the team, but we enjoy doing it.

And we love the sport. The wrestlers and coaches are really nice and respectful to us," said Tracy Carkeek, jr.

Photo by Sarah Nelson



Managers lend a hand

These assistants encourage teams, help with training, and uphold sport traditions throughout the season



Jack Smith has been supporting the football and basketball teams since 1965 when he started as a manager for his last two years of high school. Since his graduation in 1967, players and fans have continually seen him at home and away games. **Photo by Jason Noel**

When people think of sports teams, they may not ever think of the managers as a part of the team, yet such students volunteer a lot of time to help out in sports such as basketball and wrestling. The job of the manager is to assist the coaching staff with jobs that may range from taking stats and keeping scores to filling water bottles or videotaping events.

During wrestling practice the managers kept time for drills, but a majority of their time was spent filling out forms for districts. During meets they would keep records of the scores and stats for each individual wrestler. "I enjoyed being a wrestling manager because I got to be with a lot of my friends. I taped each of their matches and sometimes kept score. I love watching the sport because it is exciting," said Amy Oberkrom, jr.

"At the beginning of the basketball season there were only two experienced people to take stats because the others backed out. But later others such as Cara Cline, Rachel King, and Trent Trowbridge helped out whenever possible," said David Hobbs, sr, basketball manager. Sometimes the duties were a little unusual like the job for one basketball manager was to hold Nick Robinson's chapstick and towel.

Besides handling equipment and doing odd jobs, the managers were also there to support the team. In turn the coaching staffs of sports including track, volleyball and wrestling appreciated the effort and time that managers put in to helping them. Some coaches at the end of the season honored managers with athletic letters in recognition of the value of their assistance. *-By Sarah Nelson*

All Hours OF THE DAY

Finding time to purchase a Serteens' doughnut or search for canned food deep in the crevices of their own kitchens, were ways all students could support clubs .

For club members, time to visit a French restaurant, collect coats for the needy, or sponsor food drives became part of their already busy schedules.

On Halloween, Key Club trick or treated for donations to assist people afflicted with iodine-deficiency disorder during Channel One. Club members said that a 5-cent donation could save one person's life. Members spent about 7 hours a week working on projects like this one.

Still, time was usually the most difficult thing to find. For example, TREND often tried to work around students' busy schedules by planning meetings in the morning, sometimes starting as early as 6:45 a.m. On the other hand club members planning for the 2nd annual Liberty Debate and Forensics Tournament often had meetings lasting into the night. -Amie Vogt

EXPLORATION OF various items sold at With a French Accent allowed French Club members to learn about the culture. Seniors Jeff Mauzey and Megan Chaney along with Andrew Rittersbacher, jr, listen to owner Vicki Haas. Photo by Katy Graber



Count On Us

By **participating** in **Student Council**,

I learned that **you can't** always please **everybody** no matter **how hard** you may try.

Molly Buchen, soph

DRESSING UP for children at Martha Lafite Nature Sanctuary, Emily Tucker and April Fulks, srs, count it towards community service hours for National Honor Society. Photo by Kim Fitch





ACTIONS DO SPEAK
louder than words,
or at least Gabe
McCubbin, jr, tried
to demonstrate this
during his Student
Council election
speech. McCubbin
became the new
Junior Class
president. Photo
by Katy Graber

New faces and ideas

By Cari Colgan

■ Key Club was the largest it had been in three years. With more members, the club took a turn in focuses and values. Recycling was what interested members of this club, instead of spending as much time with IDD (iron deficiency disorder). ■ "Key Club is a service organization run by the students who participate in it," said Mrs. Sharon Cooper, sponsor. "Students learn not to be self-centered once they start helping others, and the students can see their problems aren't so bad." ■ Like in most clubs, the officers change from year to year. Because so many leaders graduated, new officers were elected. ■ "I like being the president because I get to decide what the club does with activities and when we have meetings," said Jenny Cooper, jr. ■ This service organization was designed to allow students to give their time and energy to help serve the community and people who needed their attention.

Throughout the year

members participated in a variety of activities including raising money for IDD and selling suckers to increase the club's profits. ■ "I have rung bells, helped with the Christmas shopping, but my favorite service project was selling suckers," said Julie Barchers, jr. ■ The Kiwanis Club of Liberty is the sponsoring club where Key Club was derived from. Members of the Kiwanis Club come to meetings to see what the students are doing for the community and school, and to see how they can help.

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During Channel One Oct. 31, Key Club members gave students a chance to reverse trick-or-treat to raise money to help people with IDD (Iodine Deficiency Disorder). Shawnda Gross, sr, puts her money in senior Jennie Rubin's bucket to receive a small treat. **Photo by Jennifer Hannah**



50-cent suckers were on sale the week of Jan. 26-30 for students. Students could purchase the suckers from any club member or go to a designated table at lunch. There were a variety of flavors ranging from grape delight and piña colada to cola and mint chocolate. "My favorite sucker flavor was strawberry," said Grant Hensel, jr.

Photo by Katy Graber

Count on us

PRESIDENT- Jenny Cooper

VICE PRESIDENT- Lisa Wade

TREASURER- Mitch Cooney

SECRETARY- Gina Mumpower

SPONSOR- Sharon Cooper



Before school, teachers David Young and Jo Krones grab some donuts for breakfast Jan. 16. Hosting the teacher breakfast was one event Key Club did for the school. The members provided many foods and drinks ranging from donuts and bagels to milk, orange juice and coffee. Photo by Shaun Kennedy



President Jenny Cooper, jr, and club member Toni Andrews, jr, are standing in front of all the other club members during a meeting on Jan. 15. Unlike most clubs who have morning meetings, Key Club had half of their meetings on Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. in room 703. Photo by Grant Hensel

Abby McGinnis, soph, and Mrs. Winona Gasswint are working on a Saturday to make apple pies and sell them at Hy-Vee as a fund-raiser for Spanish Club activities.

"I had a lot of fun making the apple pies. I'm glad people bought them because the money raised went to a really good cause and we worked really hard to make the pies," McGinnis said.

Photo by Crystal Lovell



Attending a club meeting Kathy Shockley and Candi Meyer, srs, sit and listen. "The club meetings are a lot different than Spanish class because we learn more about the Spanish culture during club meetings; we only learned how to speak the language in class," said Alaina Kennedy, jr. **Photo by Crystal Lovell**

In another morning meeting, club members learn about New Year's traditions in Spain where instead of having a ball drop at midnight they have the running of the bulls. One of the main goals of Spanish Club was to learn the different ways that the Spanish celebrated holidays. **Photo by Crystal Lovell**



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PRESIDENT-
Sara Fisher

VICE PRESIDENT-
Michele
Terpening

TREASURER/
SECRETARY-
Sara Fermanian

SPONSOR-
Winona Gasswint

"I ENJOYED MAKING THE CHURROS BECAUSE I KNEW THAT THE MONEY FROM SELLING THEM WAS GOING TO A GOOD CAUSE AND THAT MADE IT WORTHWHILE."

SARA FERMANIAN, SR.

Culture and tradition

By Kristin Parrish

Eighteen members of Spanish Club met at 7:00 a.m. every second and fourth Tuesday to explore Spanish culture. ■ "Spanish Club gives people the opportunity to learn about a culture different than ours. If people learn more about other people and other ways of life, it makes them more understanding to the world," Phil Butey, sr, said. ■ The club visited different restaurants and ate Spanish food as part of their learning experience. "The main goal of the our club is to learn about Spanish culture around the world. We go to a lot of different restaurants and centers to learn about Spanish life in Kansas City, not just in Mexico or Spain," Candi Meyer, sr, said. ■ The members also learned some big differences in the way Spanish culture celebrates events. "Quinceanera is a really big deal in Spain and Mexico. It's like a Sweet Sixteen Party only a lot bigger. It is a party thrown for a girl or boy that

symbolizes her or his adulthood. Families

spend lots of money and spend weeks and sometimes months to plan. Quinceanera is a lot bigger deal than just getting your license,"

Jill Bryant, soph, said.

■ To fund club events, students made apple pies and sold them at Hy-Vee. With the money made they bought supplies needed to make churros, a sweet cinnamon-tasting dessert, that were sold at lunch. The proceeds from the churros sales went to a kindergarten in Nicaragua to buy books for less fortunate children.

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Sara Fisher, sr, sits at a desk writing down plans for the club to attend a Spanish restaurant. "One of the best parts of this club is the great food we get to eat.

Sometimes we go to a restaurant and other times we have had papier-mâché piñatas which have candy in them," Fisher, said.

Photo by Crystal Lovell

Unity builds Success

By Jennipher Shaver

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■ Ice-skating and exchanging gifts are just two of the activities that built team unity within the debate and forensics squads. Team unity was a must because debate and forensics took countless hours out of school that made it more than just a class, but a commitment. "(Debate) takes a lot of time on weekends and about two-three hours after school. It's fun and really competitive. I spend a lot of time on it, but it's rewarding," said Alan Bush, sr. Since this class takes a lot of extra effort, students who meet certain requirements such as serving 20 hours of community service, receive an academic letter. ■ A lot of time was spent at tournaments. "My favorite memory was going up against the state champion in a debate round. It was a close round, but I lost. The tournaments are long, fun, and sometimes stressful," said Adam Schopper, soph. There were about 20 schools at the tournaments which added up to long nights and new

friends. "The overnight trip to Nevada, MO, was a blast. It's fun to meet people from other schools. People don't realize all the different people you can meet in debate and forensics," said Kali Williams, jr. ■ Many students used debate and forensics to help them prepare for a future career. "I debate to develop speaking skills because I want to be a lawyer. I do forensics because I like to act. People don't see the opportunities. You can get scholarships and have the chance to travel and meet people," said Kelli Mayo, sr.



The second Liberty Debate and Forensics tournament was held Nov. 14-15. Holly Eisenlohr, jr, checks the wall. She worked at this tournament as the judge chair and had a main role in the running of the tournament. The hours she worked here went toward her community hours for her academic letter. **Photo by Melissa Props**



Jan. 10
at
Nevada,
Mike Blodgett, sr.,
performs his
humorous
interpretation for
the National
Forensics League.
Members of the
NFL performed
things like
dramatic
interpretations,
duos, and prose.
"Forensics was
cool because you
could express
yourself through
the pieces you
acted out," said
junior Tish
Merritt. **Photo by
Shaun Kennedy**

Count on us

DEBATE
PRESIDENT- Gary
O'Dell

FORENSICS
PRESIDENT- Kelli
Mayo

TREASURER- Jon
Harman

SECRETARY- Kali Williams

SPONSORS- Dana Hale,
Richard Brown



At the Liberty Tournament Matt
Kelsey, sr, helps a customer.

Concession stands were stocked
with bagels, Mr. Goodcents, soda, and
other items to ward off hunger at the
tournament. Food was a necessity
because sometimes the tournaments
lasted until midnight. **Photo by Melissa
Props**



Each year debate and forensics
have a gift exchange the day
before Holiday Break. Chris
Reese, jr, opens his present. The class
decided to keep costs low with gifts
under \$3. Gifts given were silly putty,
water guns, home made treats, and
other fun, gag gifts. **Photo by Shaun
Kennedy**

Friday Night
TREND

dances after
football and
basketball games
weren't new this
year, but
organizers
involved decided
to add one new
twist, by putting on
a karaoke dance,
which found Ben
Hume, Steve
Parish, and John
Chambers, srs,
Hamilton Cline,
soph, having a
good time as they
sang and danced
to songs, in front
of everyone.

Photo by Jennifer
Hannah



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**TREND EXECUTIVE
COUNCIL-** Laura
Crowley, Erin Campbell,
Renée Krohne, Emily
Tucker, April Fulks

TREND SPONSORS-
Maria Hull and Anne Brader

**SPOTLIGHT PLAYERS
SPONSORS-** David
Young and Richard Brown

**ADDITIONAL NEW
DIRECTIONS
SPONSORS-** Dan
Wartick and Lora
Ackerman



At the TREND Date Auction, held Jan. 30 after the varsity boy's basket ball game against Winnatonka, Jason Noel, sr, buys Hayley McClelland, soph, for the record high of the evening, \$155.00. The couple also recieved a gift certificate to The Dish. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**

Kurt Nielsen, jr, dances in front of the crowd as girls bid for a date with him. Tara Southwick, jr, won the bid, buying him for \$115.00. From the dance and the auction combined TREND made a total of \$847.00 to sponsor future activities. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**

Looking For Fun???

By Andee Ochs

■ As an umbrella to many different clubs, New Directions stood for the same thing: "Pointing students in new directions away from drugs and alcohol." ■ One of the biggest clubs under New Directions is TREND: Turning Recreational Excitement in New Directions. "TREND had a very successful year," said Anne Brader, sponsor. "We provided a lot of postgame dances, fund-raising and bell ringing for the community." One event was a free-throw contest at a varsity boys basketball game, which was won by junior Tonya Trout. The all-time favorites were the Date Auction and Singled Out, which were held in January and March. ■ "You are responsible for organizing activities, the dances, and service projects," said sponsor Maria Hull. Members did this by going to meetings that were held Wednesdays mornings at 7:00. ■ TREND even went to the Middle School to try and get TREND started there.

■ Another anti-drug club was Spotlight Players. This club focused on staying away from drugs and alcohol by performing at some of the other schools in the community. "It is to provide an improvisational acting and reading theatre troupe," said sponsor Richard Brown. ■ The students involved worked on their skills for two hours on Wednesday nights. They also attended workshops on other days of the week to get more ideas. About 200 students were involved in New Directions' activities.

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TREND members brainstorm for ideas at a Wednesday morning meeting. The meetings originally had started at 6:45 a.m. but then were moved to 7 a.m. The Executive Council opened the meetings, after which members often broke into groups to do further planning or paint posters to advertise upcoming dances. **Photo by Katy Graber**

Enthusiasm to learn

By Kristin Leitze

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■ From going to see the lyric opera Carmen and singing French Christmas carols at the Plaza to missing a puzzle activity due to a rare and unexpected snow day, club members were able to experience the French culture and have fun too. ■ “[My favorite activity was] when we went to Madame’s house and made cookies; it was fun because we got a chance to try new recipes,” Libby Davidson, jr, said. ■ Participation in many activities helped students learn about traditions and various facts about the French people. Mrs. Gaye Stevick, club sponsor, hoped students gained an enthusiasm for the world by being in the club. ■ “It’s helped me understand how people in other countries and cultures live, and it makes me interested in French so much I want to go to France,” Megan Lauer, jr, said. ■ Some students had the opportunity to go to France over the summer of 1997. The experience helped students realize they could interact

in another country. ■ “I think probably the two basic things the trip does are confirm a sense of ‘I can do this’ and build their interest not necessarily in French, but in exploring the world,” Stevick said. ■ Many members felt being in the club activities helped them not only in class, but also helped them build a student-teacher relationship while learning more about the culture. “It makes class more interesting and you get to know the teacher better in a not-so-strict environment,” Lauer said.



“With a French Accent” co-owner Mrs. Judy Evans shows and speaks about several pieces of French furniture as Kelly Billings, sr, looks on and listens. Club members went to the store which is right off the Liberty Square to look at French antiques and other items from the culture Oct. 29. **Photo by Katy Graber**



At the annual French Dinner held Jan. 28 at 6:00 p.m., Jamie Klare, jr, and Jill Harrison, soph, sample the different dishes. Students in French classes made dishes at home and brought them to the dinner. "The club made me more excited about French and you associate different things with the language and have fun," Harrison said.

Photo by Katy Graber

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Mauzey

SECRETARY-
Renée Krohne

STUCO REP- Jill
Harrison

SPONSORS- Gaye Stevick,
Laura Marsh



While visiting France this past summer Renée Krohne, sr, and Hannah Messersmith, sr, pose in front of a magazine stand. The word "Presse" above the stand means press, indicating they sell newspapers and magazines. The group visited the beach, Eiffel Tower, restaurants, and many other attractions. **Photo by Gaye Stevick**



To get a taste of another culture, Leigh McFarland, jr, samples various cheeses at a French activity Nov. 19. Students had many opportunities to make or sample foods from the French culture. Other times they made madeleines, crepes, and pastries and ate dinner at a local French restaurant. **Photo by Sarah Shade**

Kim Rooney, sr, and Tanisha Robinson, jr, operate the cameras for the KLHS news broadcast every morning while Rachael King and Lisa White, srs, prompt the anchors on what to say to make the broadcast run smoothly. Without the prompters, the anchors would not be able to look at the camera and read at the same time. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**



Count on us

BLUE TEAM: Anchors- Shea Evans, Dara Kenealy

Weather/Student of the day- Gary O'Dell

Sports- Nick Robinson

Camera- Ted Campbell, Neil Bradshaw

Prompt- Rachael King, Laura Crowley

Producer- Eric Cole, David Hobbs

Directors- Chad Waddoups, Adam Brabant

WHITE TEAM: Anchors- Zach Ager, Tish Merritt

Weather/Student of the day- Jennifer Mutis, Quinn Wilson

Sports- Laura Crowley

Cameras- Tanisha Robinson, Kim Rooney

Prompt- Caitlin Harrison, Lisa White

Producer- David Hobbs, Eric Cole

Directors- Adam Brabant, Brad Heathman, Chad Waddoups

WEEKENDS: Anchors- Neil Bouhan, Nancy Driskill

Weather/Student of the Day- Renée Krohne

Sports- Bo Sires

Weekend Update- Alexa Jones

Camera- Jennifer Buford, Amy Jordan

Prompt- Megan Lauer, Shawnda Gross

Switch- Morgan Amick

Producer- Eric Cole, David Hobbs

Director- Chad Waddoups, Brad Heathman, Adam Brabant

VIDEO FEATURES: Lead- Bill Riley

Assistants- Clay Brown, Libby Davidson, Marcella Gonzalez,

Amanda Hawkins, Christy Petonke, Erin Reed, Jennipher Shaver, Lisa White

Live, in a new studio

By Jenny deFlon

■ "Good morning Liberty High School" was heard throughout the school before second hour. Broadcasting live from the new studio in the LMC was made easier with a lot more space for the camera crew and the anchors. A separate room was added for the technicians to work in. "The new studio helped a lot and was more spacious, but there was one problem: the echo was very bad and we needed to put something on the walls to fix it," Ted Campbell, jr, said. ■ At semester student crews switched. The white team got to report announcements, sports update, weather, and the student of the day. "The purpose of having two different teams, the blue and white, is to get more students involved in the club," said C.W. Stessman. Every Friday even more new faces appeared on KLHS-TV than usual. This weekend crew reported events for the weekend and the normal morning announcements.

■ Behind what students and faculty saw everyday on the screen were other students also at work to help produce the news. "You have to know the common knowledge of the cameras and the other equipment. I have to pay attention to the camera distance and just what is going on so there are no problems," said cameraman Neil Bradshaw, jr. ■ New for the next school year will be the required broadcast journalism class first hour for KLHS. Participants had to take this into consideration when enrolling for the next year.

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In the KLHS broadcast, which starts at the beginning of second hour just before Channel One, Tish Merritt, jr, and Zach Ager, sr, give the student body the announcements for the day. They are aided by the behind-the scenes crew, the sports, and weather/student of the day announcers. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**

All for the Students

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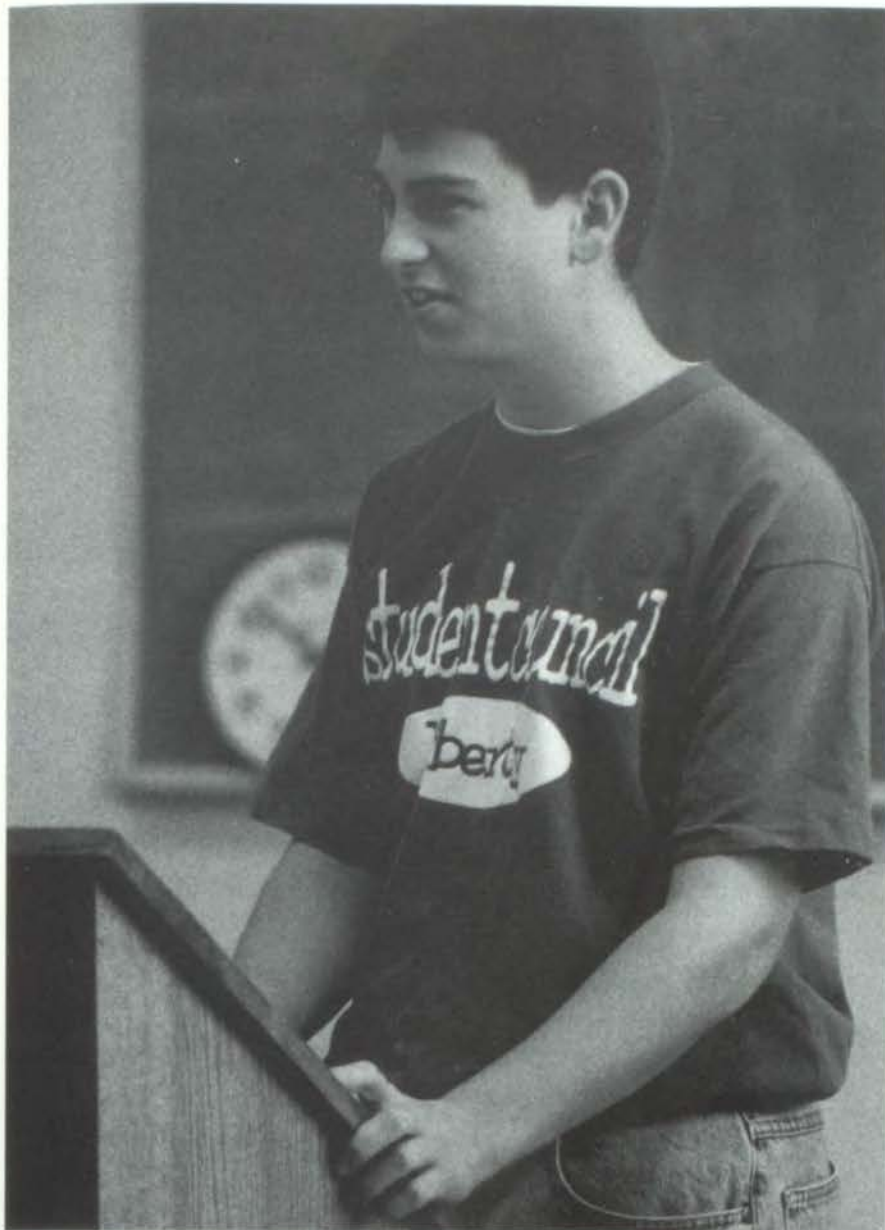
By Emily Craven

■ Due to the lack of sophomore members, Student Council expanded in the fall. To make sure the Sophomore Class was represented equally, five more sophomores were elected as sophomore representatives. ■ Soon after all new members were elected, they got to work. Their second meeting was an all-day retreat where they planned all of the year's activities such as deciding the themes of the dances, etc. "I enjoy the dances more than anything," said Bill Riley, sr, treasurer. "It's great to hear what people think about our hard work." ■ Student Council was active in the community also. In November, they started a can drive to take food to needy families. Members also were required to participate in three highway cleanups along 291 Highway at various times throughout the year. ■ Student Council also took part in the annual Exchange Days with Blue Springs High School in December. One day our members went to their school; then the next day their members came to Liberty.

Students were able to see the differences on how our school runs compared to how other schools operate. "They had looser rules and administration. They (the students) were even allowed to wear hats," said Adam Troutwine, Junior Class vice president. ■ "StuCo is a great experience for anyone," said Janie Peach, sophomore representative. "It is something for any person who likes leadership and responsibility."



Sally Herrin, sr, and Emily Cardwell, soph, making a sign to campaign Liberty for president at the District Meeting, held at Park Hill. At the meeting, the members elect a "president," which is one school's whole student council, rather than just one person. Liberty got elected the president and will host next year's meeting. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**



As president, Neil Bouhan, sr, gets the floor at meetings. Here Bouhan is going through the agenda at a meeting in the StuCo room. Most meetings are held for an hour out of the school day, and every topic has to be covered and discussed. "StuCo meetings are so organized," Jennifer Hannah, Senior Class secretary said. "scheduled to every minute."

Photo by Andrea Mallams

Sophomores Molly Buchen and Brooke Rodgers sit with Amy Harris, soph, who raises her hand to offer her opinion. "As much as we can, we try to ask for suggestions from the student body," said junior Crick Watkins, member at large. "We bring these issues up in meetings and vote on a solution."

Photo by Andrea Mallams



PRESIDENT- Neil Bouhan

VICE PRESIDENT- Dana Elmore

TREASURER- Bill Riley

SECRETARY- Zach Ager

SPONSORS-

Mrs. Jennifer Holferty
and Ms. Joni Hull



Katy Graber, Senior Class vice president, makes decorations for the Courtwarming Dance. Members, who were required to help decorate for StuCo dances, met at the school at 9:00 a.m. and were usually done by noon. "I liked decorating because it got you in the spirit for the dance," Graber said. **Photo by Andrea Mallams**

Count on us

Amber Stevens, jr, and Mrs. Jan Cox, sponsor, prepare Holiday Candy Grams to be distributed. The purpose of the candy grams was to raise money to support the club's future activities. "The most enjoyable part of the International Club was getting to know the fun people that I wouldn't see otherwise because I didn't have any classes with them," Stevens said.

Photo by Kim Fitch



The foreign exchange students, along with other foreign students living in the U.S., contributed to the International Club by introducing other members to their customs and ways of life. Pictured are foreign exchange students Anton Sergeevich Tkai, from Russia, and Analinda Palencia, from Honduras. **Photo by Kim Fitch**

Members discuss future activities at a meeting at which Julie de la Fuente, jr, presides. "The International Club helps make you feel comfortable around other people and want to know more about them instead of shunning them away," senior Kelly Pangburn, vice president, said. **Photo by Kim Fitch**



Count on us

PRESIDENT- Julie de la Fuente

VICE PRESIDENT- Kelly Pangburn

TREASURERER/
SECRETARY- Holly Eisenlohr

STUCO REPRESENTATIVE- Emily Cardwell

SPONSOR- Jan Cox

Members learn new cultures

By Jenny Day

■ Students in the International Club spent their time learning about other cultures and trying to familiarize the foreign exchange students and other foreign students with the culture and customs of the United States. ■ "The purpose of the International Club is to expose Liberty High School students to the world and to introduce foreign exchange students to Kansas City and our customs," Shalissa Beecher, jr, said.

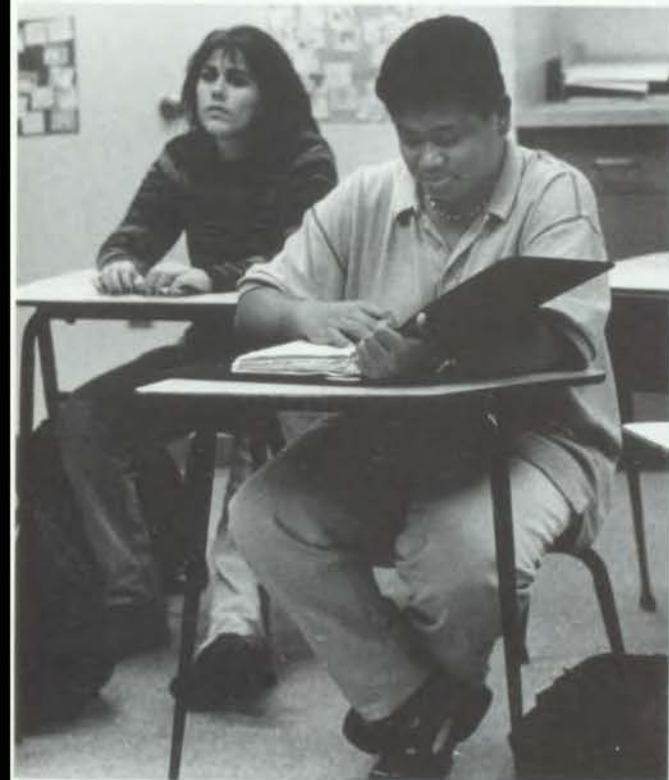
■ The club participated in activities such as having a Halloween party Oct. 30 after school, going to the Plaza to eat at The Cheesecake Factory Dec. 12, and selling candy grams around Christmas time. The money earned from the candy grams went to support future club activities and to buy student class rings, yearbooks, and Prom tickets for foreign exchange students. The International Club also hosted the annual Sadie Hawkins Dance Feb. 28, 8-11 pm.

■ "I enjoyed the Plaza trip most of all

because on the trip back, the students were really interacting with the foreign exchange students and asking about their languages and how to say certain things. It was neat to see everyone interacting and getting to know each other and building relationships," Mrs. Jan Cox, sponsor, said.

■ Senior Rachael King had a different favorite activity. "I really enjoyed putting candy canes on the candy grams because it was really fun and neat just to be with the other people," King said.

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Emily Cardwell, soph, and Warren Zubiri, jr, participate in an International Club meeting, held every first and third Wednesday of the month for about a half and hour. In meetings, members discussed upcoming events like candy grams sales and the Sadie Hawkins Dance. **Photo by Kim Fitch**

Making the Grade

By Tiffany Warnes

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■ "I pledge myself to uphold the high purposes of the National Honor Society to which I have been selected, striving in every way by word and deed to make its ideals the ideals of my school and of my life." This is the pledge for the National Honor Society, a senior club which requires you to have at least a 3.25 grade point average, attend all of the meetings and preform 10 community service hours. ■ "You have to plan your schedule around it a little, no biggie, but it's more than worth it for the community service you do. The satisfaction of volunteering and giving back to the community is the best part of being a member of the National Honor Society," said Daniel Morris. ■ "A lot of dedication and hard work is what is needed to be a member of NHS and being the president has taught me good organizational skills. Having fifth hour devoted to the club and working with Mr. Bertoldie has really been helpful, especially

when induction came up," said Bo Sires. ■ "I really recommend sophomores and juniors to strive to be a National Honor Society member because not only do have fun while helping the community but when you send in your application to colleges, it really makes you look good," Missy Byler said. ■ "It's a good club to be involved in because you help the community people and it's something that colleges look for when you send in your application," said Emily Craven.



Ericka Breit directs children through the Martha La Fite scary forest to work towards her 10 community service hours. This Halloween event was just one of the activities that National Honor Society members could participate in throughout the year. Two others were the coat drive and bell ringing. **Photo by Melissa Propps**



After school, National Honor Society members could be found working on their service hours. Andrea Mallams, Cristi Petonke, and Luke Hiller spent some hours on Hwy 152 in front of Hy-Vee doing some clean up. In the spring, many helped with the annual Italian Dinner by purchasing ingredients, decorating for the event or actually cooking. **Photo by Melissa Propps**

Count on us

PRESIDENT- Bo Sires

VICE PRESIDENT- Amanda Overstreet

TREASURER- Lory Ellebracht

SECRETARY- Laura Crowely

SPONSOR- Forrest Bertoldie



Because of rain the Martha La Fite Nature Center's scary forest was moved from outside to in. Janet and Jennifer Boschert work well with the short-notice change by sitting at a display table waiting for the little trick-or-treaters to come and look while they pass through to get their Halloween candy. **Photo by Melissa Propps**

President Bo Sires and sponsor Forrest Bertoldie work during 5th hour planning period for National Honor Society to help get organized for the up-coming projects and events. Induction for new members is one of the big events Sires and Bertoldie had to plan for. **Photo by Melissa Propps**

Every Friday morning Mr. André

Waldor, sponsor of Serteens, buys doughnuts from Lamar's or HyVee. They put the money they made into a club account. Some went to charitable organizations in town. The rest of the money raised from the doughnut sales went to finance their other service projects, like the toy drive. **Photo by Grant Hensel**



Serteens met every Monday at 7:00 a.m. Mr. André Waldor talks with Sarah Oyen, jr, and Janet Boschert and Cara Cline, srs, about sponsoring a car wash. "My most memorable moment of this year was getting together as a group and discussing ways to help," said Jessica Pinkerton, soph. **Photo by Grant Hensel**

Serteens put together a raffle for many different prizes at Christmas time. Jennifer Buford, sr, went around the lunch room trying to get people to buy the tickets. First place prize was a Sega Game Gear, second place was \$25 gift certificate to Best Buy, and third place was \$20 gift certificate to Blockbuster. **Photo by Grant Hensel**



Count on us

PRESIDENT- Janet Boschert

VICE PRESIDENT- Jennifer Buford

TREASURER- Erica Breit.

SECRETARY- Jessica Pinkerton

SPONSOR- André Waldor

Helping out others

By Amanda Mauzey

■ Despite hardships, the Serteens came up with many ways to raise money for our community. The biggest set backs were overspending on raffle prizes and making smaller profits on doughnut sales.

Serteens purchased 12 dozen doughnuts each week but they often ended up with leftovers; for this reason they switched from Lamar's to HyVee in February. Profits rose from only \$10 to \$20 a week to \$32 to \$34 because their cost went down a little while the amount sold increased. ■ "The main goal for this year was to make doughnut sales more profitable, to get more service projects and to get more students involved with their community," said president Janet Boschert, sr. ■ Serteens continued their quest to serve their community. "The main focus of Serteens was to get the students to participate in the spirit of performing community service," said Mr. André Waldor, sponsor. ■

Their annual toy drive netted about

20 toys. The toys they received went to the Spirit of Liberty Building. Community volunteers distributed the toys that were collected to families in our community. ■ They also helped out in Habitat for Humanity and donated additional money to the Spirit of Liberty Building. ■ Members agreed that Serteens benefitted themselves and the community. Amanda Holferty, soph, said "I enjoy being a part of this club because it lets me get involved with my community."

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Serteens presents Becky Costello sr, third place winner of the raffle, with a \$20 gift certificate to Blockbuster. They received the money to buy the gifts from proceeds of doughnut sales on Fridays. The other two recipients were Janet Boschert, who won the \$25 gift certificate, and Jennifer Hannah, who won first place. **Photo by Grant Hensel**

SADD

Student Awareness

By Sarah Nelson

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■ Students Against Driving Drunk is an organization which encouraged teenagers to communicate with their parents about the consequences of drinking and driving. To become an active member of SADD, each student had to sign and have their parents sign a "Contract for Life." The contract served as a means to develop a no-use lifestyle for the student and parents. Members of SADD wanted to make other students also aware of what can happen by drinking and doing drugs and also the consequences of mixing drinking or drugs with driving. ■ The club sponsored many activities such as a selling tickets for the Brain Association, selling gum during the week of Courtwarming, and tying red ribbons on cars. During Homecoming week and Prom week the club put a wrecked car in the parking lot for all students to see. In November when the club sold tickets for the Brain Association, a reward was

given to the member who sold the most. Jamie Klare, jr, who sold over 50 tickets, won a round trip ticket on Vanguard Airlines. ■ Members view their club as one that everyone should join. Their reasons may be different, but the purpose is all the same: to protect the students from tragedy. "I knew a friend who was in a car accident, and so I am against it and want to help prevent drinking and driving," said Holly Eisenlohr, jr. Making students aware was the goal of SADD.



Sponsored by SADD, students lined up to receive tickets to benefit the Brain Injury Association. Tickets were sold for two dollars each and one dollar went to the Brain Injury Association and one went to SADD. SADD supported this organization because it helped some who could have been injured by a drunk driver. **Photo by Crystal Lovell**



Courtwarning Week was not only to help support the basketball team, but SADD also used to the week to sell gum. Kelly Krohne, sr, purchased a pack of gum for 25 cents. Along with the pack of gum, she received a fact about drunk driving. The main purpose of this fund-raiser was to educate students about the consequences of drinking and driving. **Photo by Crystal Lovell**

Count on us

PRESIDENT- Sara Fisher

VICE PRESIDENT- Laura Crowley

SECRETARY/
TREASURER- Katy Graber

SPONSORS- Danette Peck



Every other Friday morning at 7 a.m. SADD met to discuss upcoming events for the club and share ideas for fund-raising. "We don't want people to make stupid decisions, uneducated choices," said President Sara Fisher, jr. "We want people to be educated about the consequences."

Photo by Crystal Lovell

In the early morning meetings the club also made signs for future events and hung the signs in the halls. Members Brian Thomas, sr, and his sister Amy Thomas, soph, listen as members discuss the latest activities. SADD consisted of 21 members who pledged not to drink and drive. **Photo by Crystal Lovell**

Buzzing in a Win

By Amie Vogt

■ This team of 28 was like any other. They had practices, they played in tournaments, they qualified for nationals in Columbia, and they made a lasting impression on competition. "When I was at a tournament a coach said, 'We can always count on Liberty being in the top eight, and that was at a tournament of 32 teams,'" Mrs. Vicki Jones, varsity coach said. ■ Often what happened in Scholar Bowl made an impression on students' reactions to classes. "It's a fun extra-competitive activity which can really compliment what is happening in the classroom. It can work both ways. A student can hear it in Scholar Bowl and then hear it in the classroom and recognize it or they are more attentive because Scholar Bowl peaks their interest. Yet, it can not replace the depth of reading or being in a class," Mrs. Karla Schaeffer, JV coach, said. ■ Members were selected through tryouts held on

Sept. 15 and 18. In quiz-show style,

students were required to take a written test, buzzer quiz and computer quiz. ■ Participation in the club also consumed lots of time, with tournaments often lasting overnight. "I am involved in Scholar Bowl because it is fun, especially the overnights," Amy Christensen, jr, said. ■ Participants began to acquire facts they might have never found the time to learn. "You become a little more educated and well-rounded because you know a little more science, art, law, etc.," Melanie Perren, soph, said.

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Pushing buzzers to prepare for an upcoming tournament senior Mark Maher and Mike Ruby, soph, answer trivia questions. "Scholar Bowl takes about four hours of work a week, but on tournaments it can add up to days of work," Morgan Amick, jr, said, "but you learn organization and a lot of information." **Photo by Melissa Propps**



SPECTATOR QUEEN

NINETEEN SENIOR GIRLS SIGNED UP TO PARTICIPATE IN THE TRADITIONAL SPECTATOR QUEEN WALK JAN. 10, BUT THE TOP THREE WERE KEPT SECRET UNTIL THE LAST CONCERT CHOIR PERFORMANCE IN MAY. GIRLS WERE JUDGED ON POISE, WRITTEN AND ORAL COMMUNICATION SKILLS, ACTIVITIES AND APPEARANCE.

Renée Krohne

■ ATTENDANTS ■



Cara Cline



April Fulks



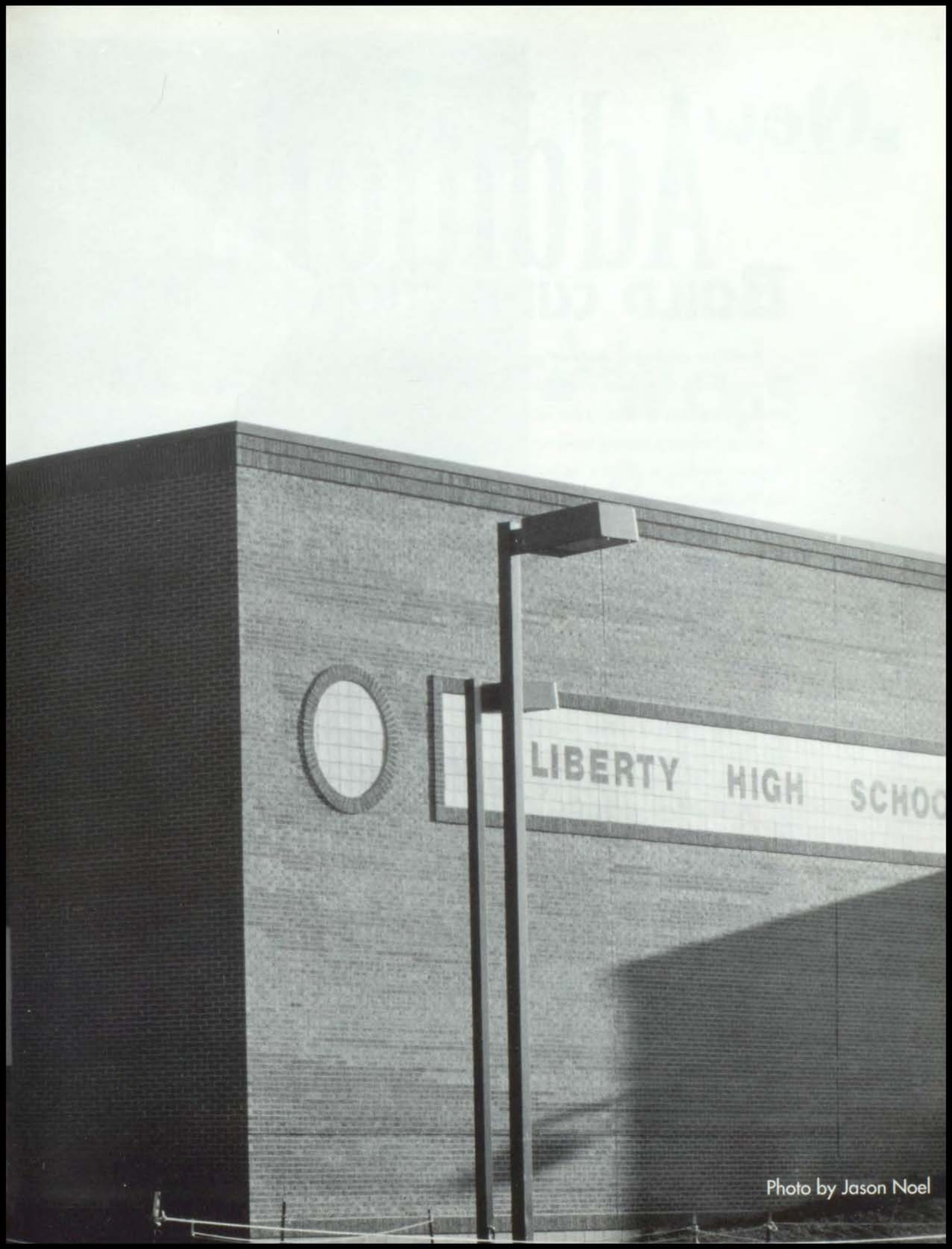
Jennifer Hannah



Emily Tucker

■ FINALISTS ■





LIBERTY HIGH SCHOOL

Photo by Jason Noel

New Additions

BUILD CURRICULUM

Zeroing in on school, students got involved in one of the many new classes offered. Sculpture, artistic photography, geography, and electronic publishing were just a few courses added.

Along with new classes, came new responsibilities which often led to students working even after the bell rang. Whether they were developing film in the art darkroom, typing on one of the 29 new IBM's in the computer lab, or enjoying the privacy of one of the band practice rooms, new building conveniences helped them finish assignments.

The abandoned 900's teachers workroom became home to the Liberty Public Schools Gifted program, PEAK, for elementary students. High school students were at first surprised to see young children hop onto buses after school to return to grades 1 through 5. Meanwhile some students abandoned LHS to attend the Liberty Academy, an alternative school which opened in the fall with 40 students. For the count there were 12 new classes, plenty of new opportunities and two new programs added for 1998. —Amie Vogt

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Photo by
Kim Fitch





TURKEY LEGS AND MEDIEVAL COSTUMING were not the only attractions found at the Renaissance Festival. Brandy Lawrence, sr, along with concert choir spent the morning of Sept. 27 performing. Photo by Andrea Mallams



MARCHING BAND performed throughout the fall, whether here at the Fall Festival or at games. Mike McCollum, jr, and Deanna Duncan, sr, perform in the parade. Photo by Jason Noel

Add It Up

I have to stay up until 12 o'clock to finish homework **sometimes**, and I have to go in **early** to finish **projects**.
Sharron Mendiola, sr

I like the new computer lab. It is **nice** and it **helps** me get **homework done**. I like that it has **Internet** and new computers.
Cheryl Birkey, soph

Jazz band members play their trumpets during a rehearsal. "When you're in jazz you are called upon to improvise, hear the music in your head, and that is the most exciting and terrifying part," Michael Eaton, jr, said. *Photo by Sarah Shade*



Playing the saxophone Amber Benson, sr, practices with the symphonic band under the direction of teacher Paul Warnex. "I like competing in district and state band auditions and playing for prestigious people," Rachael Willeke, soph, said. *Photo by Katy Graber*

Orchestra students rehearse their music in class. "My favorite part is playing together as an ensemble and watching everybody click together and finally having an excellent performance," said Lori Ellebracht, sr. *Photo by Sarah Shade*



Sticks in hand, Mark Ellebracht, jr, plays his drum as he marches in the Liberty Homecoming Parade. Most students prefer playing in symphonic or concert band because the marching season is long and cold. Also, it forces some students to switch instruments. *Photo by Shaun Kennedy*



hard work makes

four strong bands

four bands—symphonic, concert, jazz, and orchestra—provided lots of opportunities for student musicians to play in a group.

“I think it is really cool playing together with a 100-plus people all having a goal of playing something beautiful, not as individuals but as a group,” Dawn Posey, sr, said

All the bands participated in festivals and contests throughout the year. The department ended up sending 17 students to All-State Concert and Jazz Bands.

Students in symphonic and concert band participated in marching band in the fall. They performed in three Homecoming parades and halftime shows at

50 minute
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of some
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home football games.

“Marching band is more physical, and you are required to memorize a lot of music and there is a lot of practice,” Charles Miller, soph, said.

The symphonic band was selected to perform at Tan-tar-a for the music educators convention.

“It was really neat to play in front of all these people who know what they are listening for,” Amanda Pence, soph, said.

Many students said they put a lot of time and effort into their music.

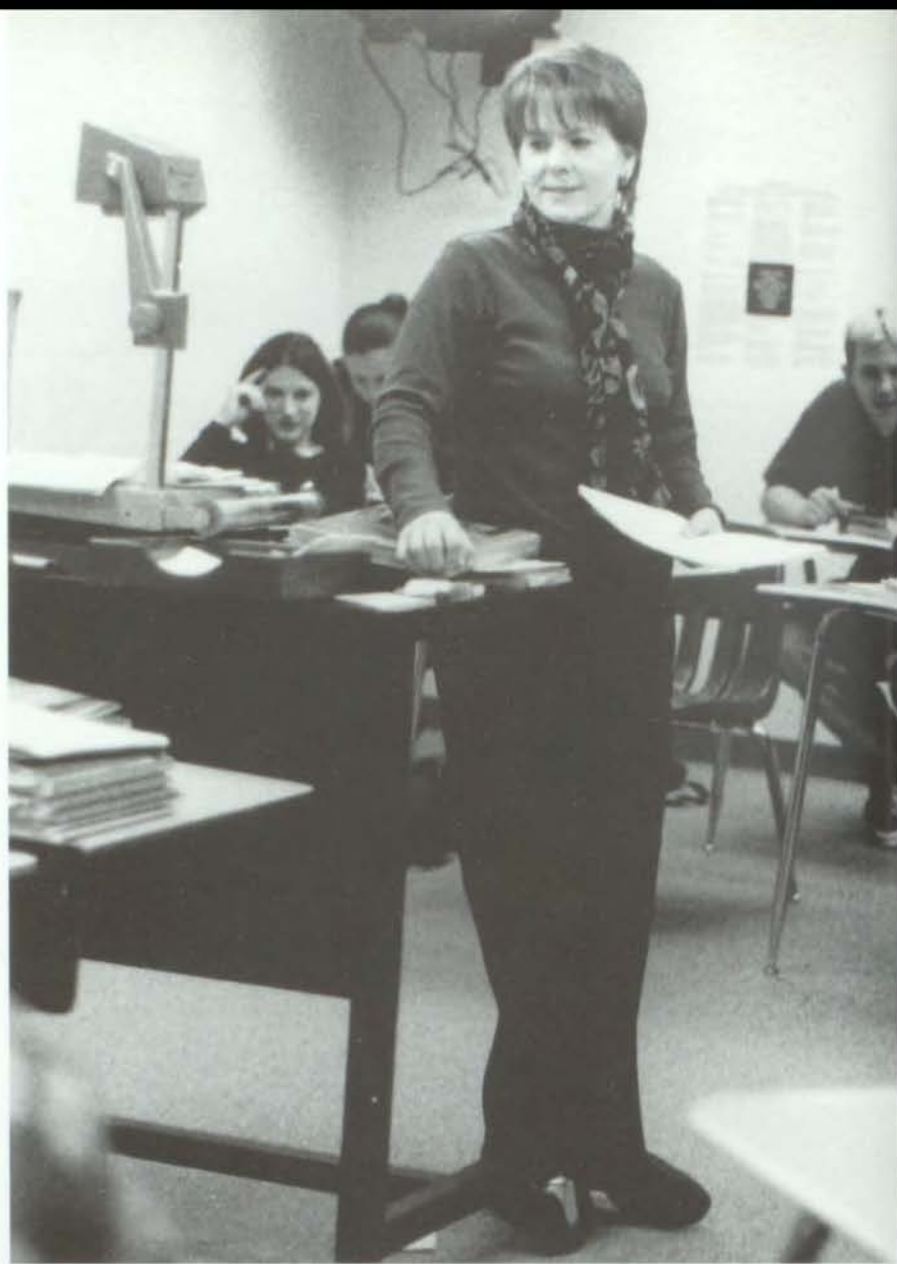
“Whatever students want to get out of band they need to put that much into it,” said Danny Watring, band director. *By Kristin Leitze*



i admire our director, Mr. Watring, because he is a great director and I have learned a lot from him.” Matt Kelsey, sr



the new Spanish teacher, Holly Larrison, aids her students in learning a new language. "Because I'm used to English, it's hard to transform to the different structure of a different language," Christine Lehnardt, jr, said. *Photo by Andrea Mallams*



in French III class, Megan Wertel, jr, studies, hoping it will help her in the future. "I want to go into politics and French is the international language of politics," Wertel said. *Photo by Kim Fitch*

helping Analinda Palencia, sr, understand English from Spanish is the job of Cara Barnes, ESL teacher. "The verbs are the most difficult part about learning English because you have to memorize them," Palencia said. *Photo by Crystal Lovell*



Students in Latin class learn to translate Latin phrases, not how to speak the language. "Latin is a classical language, not a modern language. We don't speak it. We translate classical authors like Cicero," Patricia Kurtz, Latin teacher, said. *Photo by Andrea Mallams*

trying to hurdle

"The most enjoyable part of teaching a foreign language is watching students come to the realization that they can communicate."
Gaye Stevick,
French teacher

a new language

Students agreed that learning a foreign language could be a tough task, but what if the language you were learning was English? English as a second language, ESL, students took this class for one main reason: to be able to speak and understand the language that everyone else around them spoke. Students learned English by giving it their full attention.

"The best way to learn a language is not through translation. We teach through immersion. I don't allow any Spanish in my class," Cara Barnes, ESL teacher, said.

For students learning other foreign languages, a new lab was added which students and

learning a foreign language, including English, is a challenge for students

teachers alike hoped would ease the difficulties of understanding a different language.

There were two parts to the lab. The computer section was designed for independent practice and research. Also, with the computers, students were able to have keypals, like pen pals, in other countries. The oral section was designed to help train students' ears.

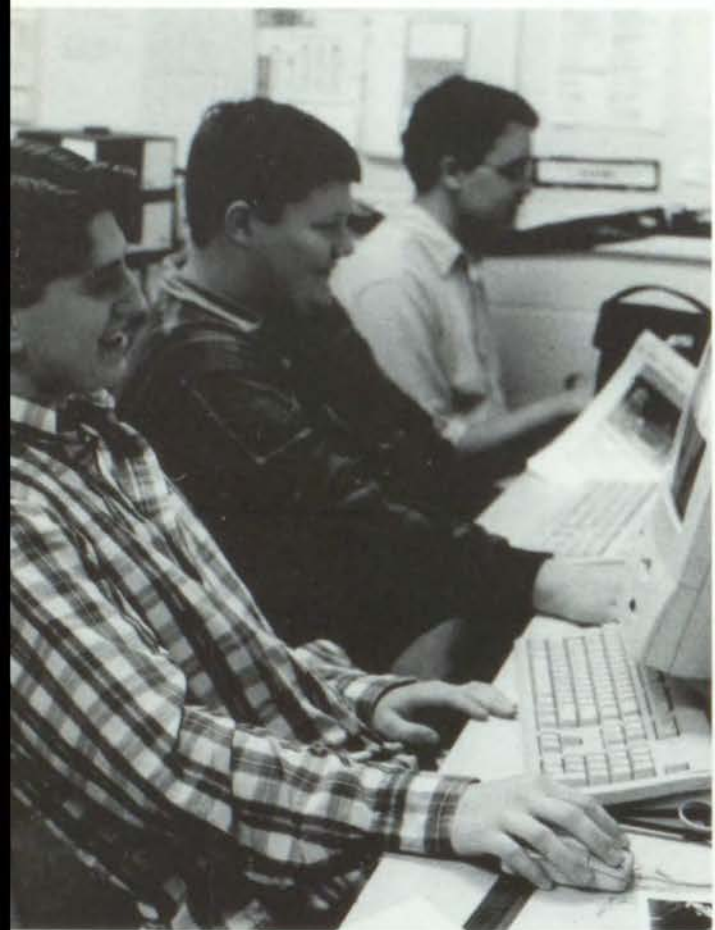
"In the language lab, students' learning could be more specific to their needs. In a classroom everyone has to be on the same page, doing the

same thing. In the lab you can do a self-diagnostic. It is more efficient, and you are more independent," Alexa Thompson, German teacher, said. *By Jenny Day*

"I enjoy translating because it's an accomplishment when you figure out what the sentence says." John Hopkins, soph



Gathering information and interviews is a requirement. Bethany May, soph, signs out of journalism. "It's not a class where you do everything in class; it is a lot of time out of class," Katie Calder, jr, said. Photo by Andrea Mallams



↑ "the hardest part is when you have a lot to do on deadline night," Neil Bradshaw, jr, said. Bradshaw, Adam Tervort, jr, and Alex George, soph, use the skills they have learned to finish pages. Photo by Andrea Mallams

Working together Jolene Lyons, sr, and Jessica Pinkerton, soph, consult each other on how to layout the pages they are working on. All photos for the paper were prepared and scanned using Photoshop. Photo by Andrea Mallams



as newspaper photo editor Jennifer Hannah, sr, became part of the newspaper class, staff members felt this change was beneficial. "With a photographer in class) it is easier to get last minute photography needs taken care of," Editor Deanna Duncan, sr, said. Photo by Katie Calder

Staff *coopes* with

hours of work

Hours after the final bell has released students, even after athletes come rushing home from practice, the Liberty Bell staff of eleven, sends the newspaper zooming over the Internet to Alabama for printing.

After three weeks of scanning photos, writing stories, and designing pages, there becomes a point when no other change can be made and the final PDF file is sent. Soon the paper returns by Federal Express to be distributed to the students. The time and pressure to create the 10 issues of the eight to 12 page paper for the entire school could add up to stressful deadline nights.

"Newspaper deadlines are like a performance. Sometimes you

newspaper begins year with new designs and a smaller staff

forget your music, sometimes you sing off key. But, sometimes the sound is harmonious and beautiful. It was frustrating to create PDFs for Alabama. Problems with that cost us hours," Jan Hensel, journalism adviser, said.

Changes for the staff this year added up, including losing seven early in the year. Positives included having a photographer as a part of the class and a major overall layout and design change. These helped the paper to receive a second consecutive eighth place

Best of Show at nationals.


"All of us working together made the newspaper the best it could be," Alex George, soph, said.

By Amie Vogt

"It's a different kind of class; it's almost like a job. You have all of these different responsibilities."

Kelly Pangburn, sr

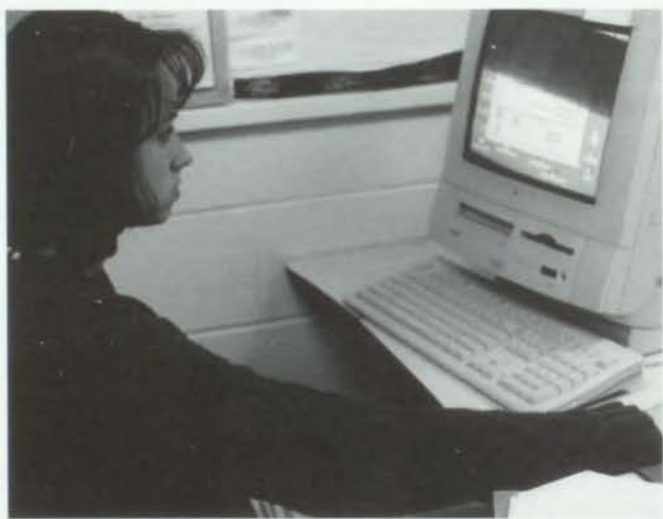



The first Baskin Robbin's ice cream cake was the reward for staff who finished Nov. 26 deadline early. Co-editor Kristen Miller, jr, cuts the cake into 17 pieces for each staff member as co-editor Amie Vogt, jr, waits in anticipation. *Photo by Katy Graber*



Bundles of pictures were sorted by Emily Craven, sr, who tries to pick out students from another school. The photo company accidentally sent 75 pictures of Rolla High School students to Liberty. *Photo by Grant Hensel*

Sitting in the journalism computer lab, Jenny deFlon, jr, networks her computer to work on the index. On the last deadline, it only took PageMaker 15 minutes to create a list of all the indexed names and pages. *Photo by Katy Graber*



Standing at the light table in the layout room of the journalism department, Jennipher Shaver, jr, and Tiffany Warnes, sr, look at pictures for their spreads. The staff members had to select what pictures they wanted to use. *Photo by Katy Graber*



Counting down

till distribution

after spending 138 days, 8 deadlines, 8 editors' nights, weekends, after school time, Channel One time and even some early mornings, the 17 staff members and one adviser finished the 26th edition of the *Spectator*.

Yearbook covered 13 clubs, 13 sports teams, 2 dances, 3 queens, and the lives of the Liberty High School students.

"The yearbook's goal this year was to get everyone in the book at least twice, once in a student picture and once on a different spread," Cari Colgan, jr, said.

Having 1,250 students enrolled made that goal a big task for the staff. Teamwork became more important.

So the staff did a lot of little

the months
and days of
work pay
off in May
when the
book is
seen by all

things to bond, such as secret sister gifts, ice cream cakes and Pass-the-Bucket (a tradition of passing a bucket of candy and thanking people who helped you out on deadline night).

"Seeing the yearbook when it's finished is going to be the big reward, to see all our hard work pay off in one day," Crystal Selvey, jr, said.

"People think that yearbook is a blow-off class but it's not. We have to go out and do interviews. When we're out of class, we're out for a

reason; it's not to goof off. We work really hard and have a lot of work that has to be done by a certain date," Meagan Sherbo, jr, said.

By Kristin Parrish



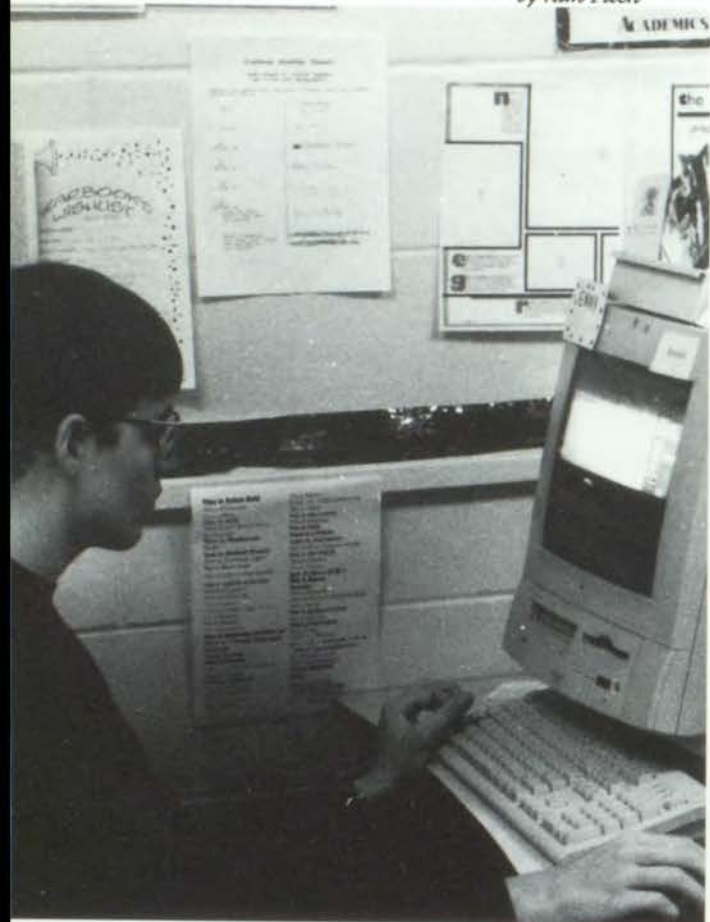
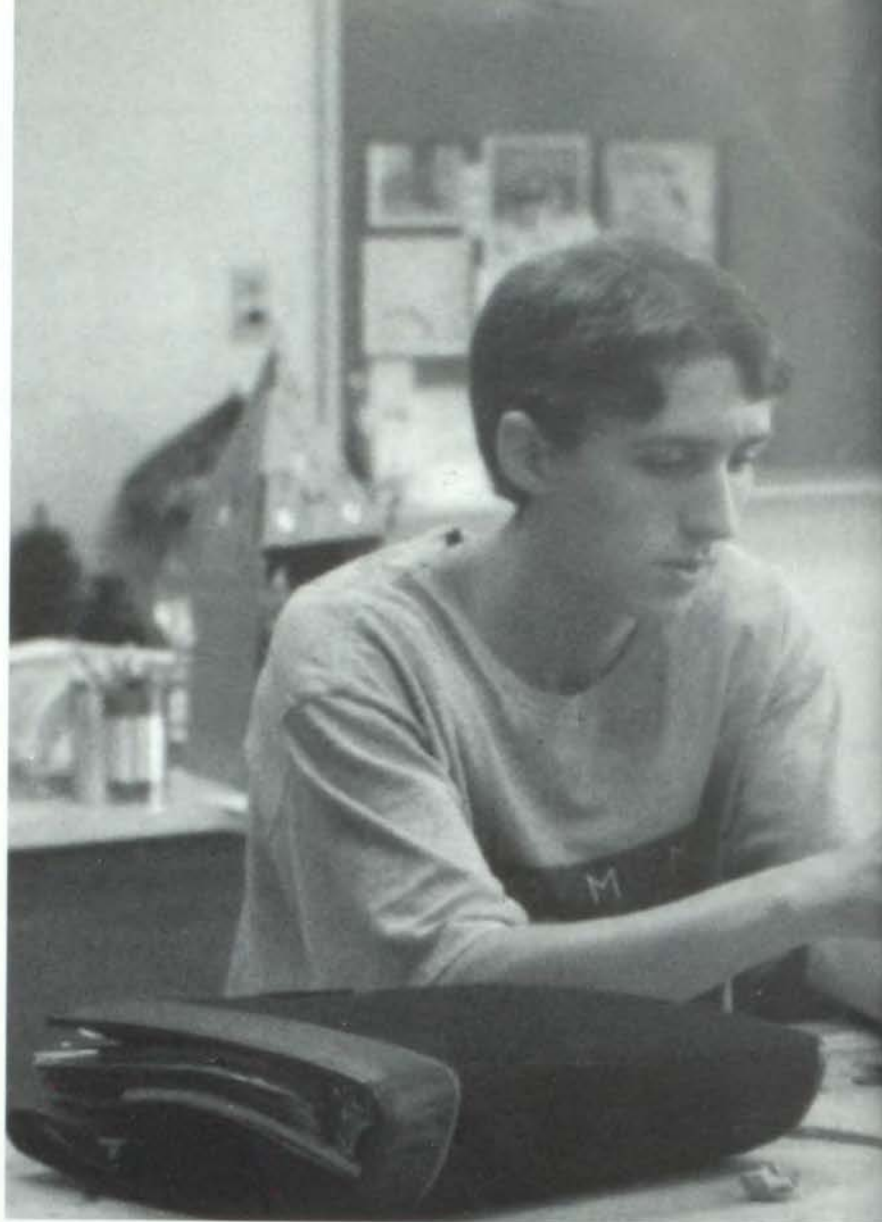
"a lot of time is needed to be a photographer. some nights we worked till 7 or 8 o'clock."

Kim Fitch, sr



piece by piece

Josh St. Ama, jr, puts together his cyber home in sculpture class. This class was one of the new art classes added to the department. Other projects students in the class made were paper and wire figures. *Photo by Kim Fitch*



Web pages are being designed in electronic publishing by Kevin Carlyle, soph. Carlyle wrote pages for the art and math departments and the LMC. The class posted KLHS, StuCo, TREND, and other clubs and departments on the Web. *Photo by Shaun Kennedy*

a PEAK student receives assistance from Jennifer Burch, soph. "We help [the teacher] with grading, typing, and we help the kids with their brain teasers and math problems," Jessica Pinkerton, soph, said. *Photo by Andrea Mallams*



↑ three artistic photography students out of the 140 who enrolled —Wes Detrick, jr, Brandon Morgan, sr, and Ryan Allen, sr—listen in class. "I have been interested in photography for a long time, and this was a good opportunity to further my knowledge," Kristy Wendt, sr, said. *Photo by Katy Graber*

many new classes

give more choices

Nine new classes—artistic photography, sculpture, integrated science, advanced chemistry, Novels II, advanced topics in math, electronic publishing, Technical Computations II, and an intern in PEAK—were added to the courses of study offered to students.

Some classes offered new topics to study while others were extensions of previous courses to prepare students to take even higher level classes in the future.

"[I took Advanced Chemistry because] I thought I needed a step right before AP [Chemistry]. I thought it would be too big of a step," Cassandra Berry, jr, said.

Electronic publishing gave

addition of
new classes
offers
students
different
areas of
study

students the opportunity to design Web pages for the school.

"[I liked this class] because for a lot of classes when you make stuff it goes in a filing box or notebook, but in this class the whole world can see what you've made," Neil Bradshaw, jr, said.

By putting biology, chemistry, and physics together in one class, integrated science was created.

"I teach it [integrated science] because it's a new class this year that another teacher created

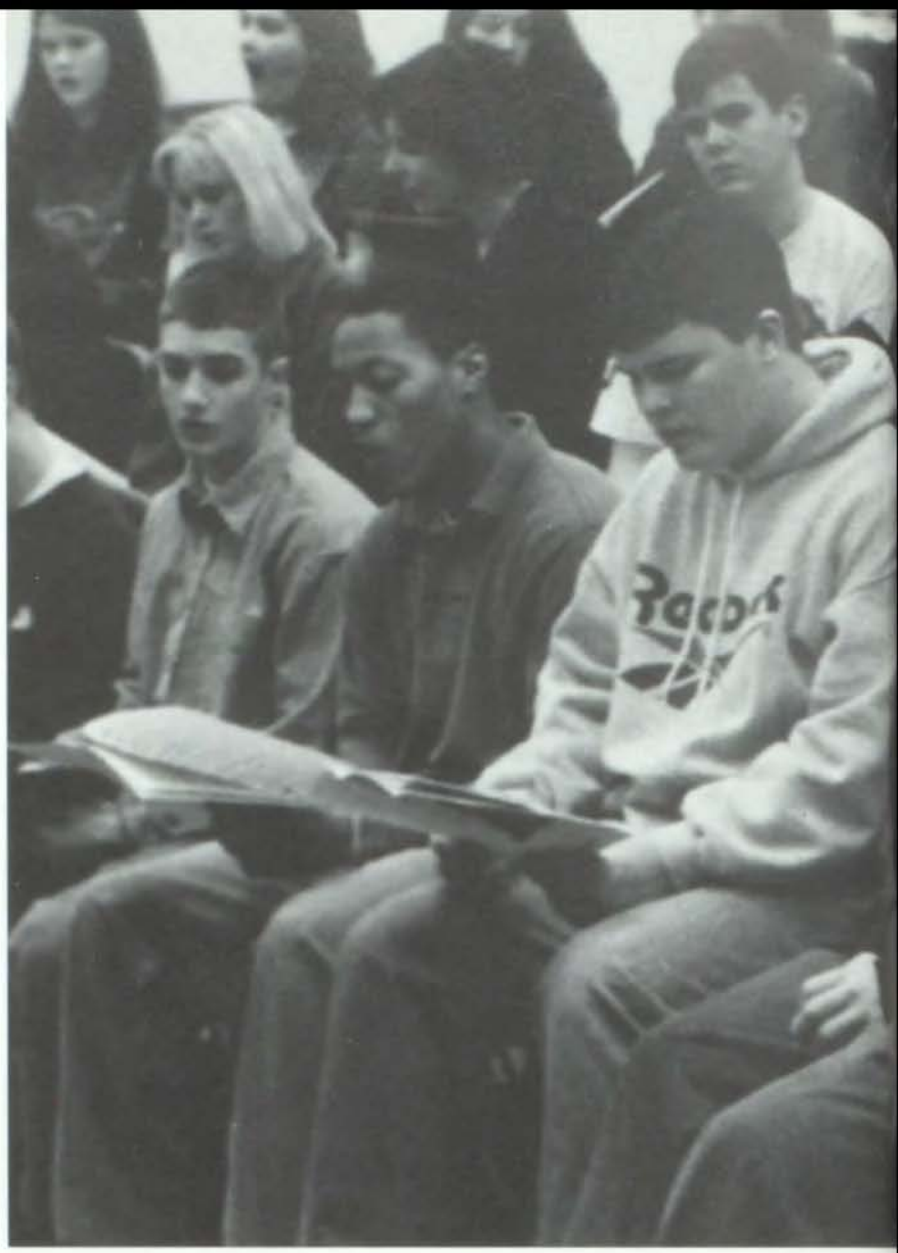
to help relate science to everyday life concepts," Maria Hull, science teacher, said. A second integrated science class will be offered next year. *By Kristin Leitze*

"We do more things [in sculpture], and we are more involved with what we do."

Sara Rittersbacher, jr



Members of sophomore choir meet second hour each day to improve their singing. To get into sophomore choir, a tryout is required. Students follow their music and look to the front of the room for cues to sing. *Photo by Kim Fitch*



Decked out in their Renaissance dresses, Nancy Driskill and Dara Kenealy, jrs, stand in a flowered path and sing songs to welcome visitors at the Kansas City Renaissance Festival Sept. 29. *Photo by Andrea Mallams*

The women's choir class is offered two class periods. Jennifer Jennings, Misty Cleveland, Derricka Bendure, and Sara Rittersbacher, jrs, are all members of the choir and practice as a group. *Photo by Shaun Kennedy*



Concert choir members Kurt Nielson, Clay Brown, Caitlin Harrison, and Tara Southwick, jrs, smile after finishing their holiday concert Dec. 22 at Crown Center. On Dec. 20 the concert and sophomore choirs held a Madrigal Feast where they sang in costumes by candlelight. *Photo by Kim Fitch*

the students bring

sounds of music

Under the guidance of vocal music teacher, Deborah Burnett, students are able to perform in four different choirs including concert, sophomore, men's, and women's.

The main part of the year is spent preparing for various contests and concerts.

"The Ba'shana, a Jewish folk song, was performed with an orchestra accompaniment at our fall concert and that moment was my favorite because by the time we finished the song, the crowd was in tears," Amber Stevens, jr, said.

Each year the upper classmen move on and new students have to fill the spots of all the choirs, but this year still had a special aura to

choirs
perform
music to
learn and
entertain
throughout
year

it. "There is always an attitude with graduating seniors that life will not go on without them, and last year's class had numerous outstanding individuals, but this year's choir is much more of an ensemble," Burnett said.

Besides the singing aspect of choir, students got to travel and experience different places such as district contest.

"I think the best thing about choir is of course improving my singing, but also getting to go places," Erin Raines, soph, said.

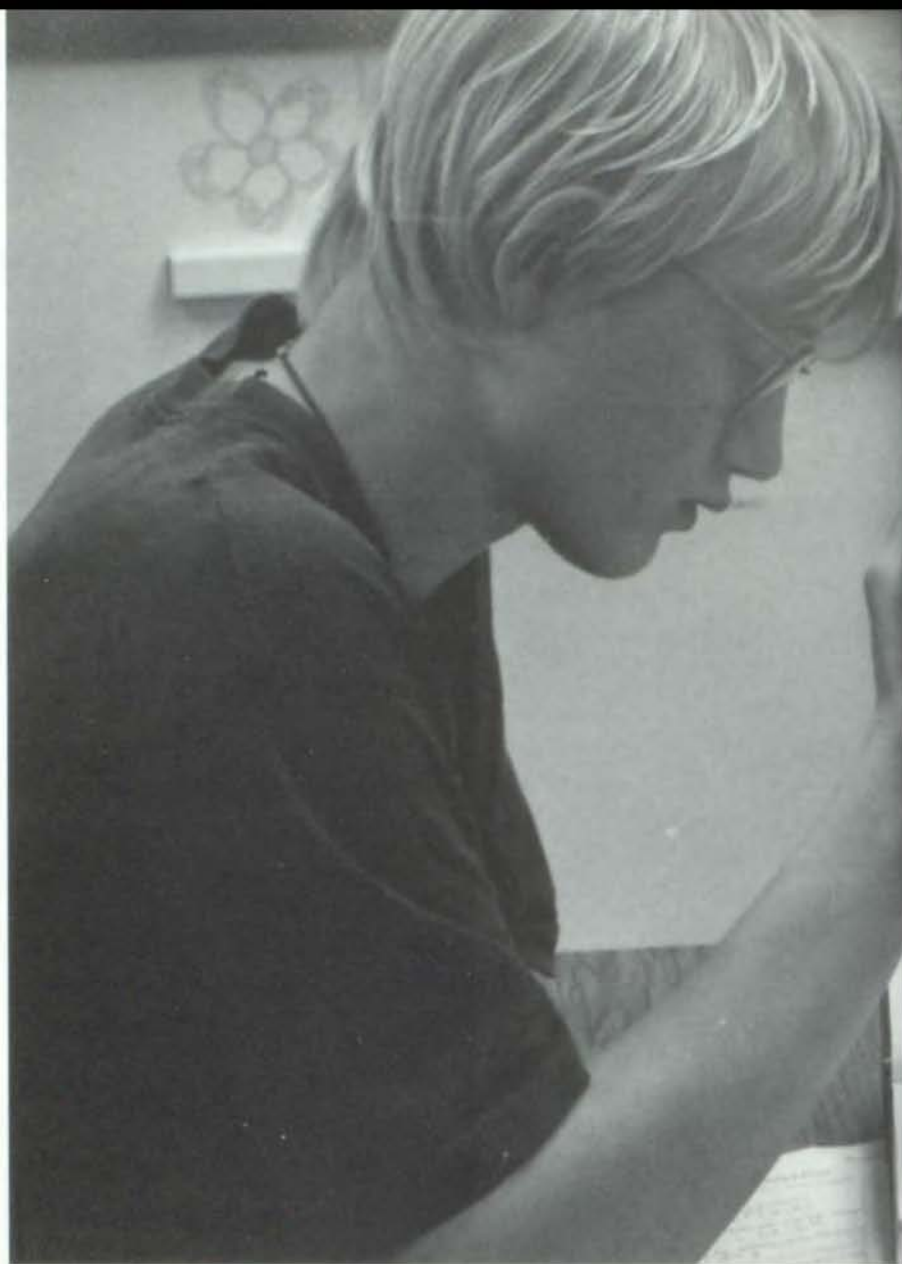
Choir is one of the few classes where everyone can participate and get more than one benefit from being in the class, said Burnett. *By Cari Colgan*

"I like choir to not only sing as an individual but to sound good musically as a group."

Shalisa Beecher, jr



Cdirector of the Liberty Academy, Amy Cusumano said of students at the school, "The students benefit because they can concentrate on their individual work." Focusing on his text book, Harry Rader, frosh, works to finish his assignment. *Photo by Katy Graber*



in attendance at the Liberty Academy located on Blue Jay Drive, Katie O'Kane, jr, works on an assignment. The students worked at different levels and on different subjects, and this helped them to have a chance for success. *Photo by Kim Fitch*

along with approximately 40 other students, Nicole Mallory, sr, attended Liberty Academy. Those at the school were enrolled in grades nine through 12 and walked through a metal detector prior to entering. *Photo by Kim Fitch*



Even though students at the Academy were not able to take classes that required labs, like science and technology, they could still take many courses. Michael Giraudy, soph, opens his book, so he can begin working on his assignments. *Photo by Katy Graber*



new school offers

option for students

for those students needing credits, failing classes, having problems adjusting to a large school or having poor attendance, the new Liberty Academy gave a chance for academic accomplishment.

"The program is for students who are, for a wide variety of reasons, not experiencing success in a regular school setting," Greg Casel, counselor, said.

In order to attend the alternative school, a prospective student must be referred by a counselor, or, if they have dropped out of school, they can refer themselves.

The program helped many students earn credits and graduate. More attention for the individual student

Academy's atmosphere gives more students chance for success in school

and small class sizes provided a different learning environment for those enrolled.

"I have seen the students benefit due to the fact that they receive more one on one attention and the smaller class sizes. They can work at their own pace, as opposed to moving along with the rest of the class," Casel said.

Many classes were offered. Students selected any course they wished to study, and if possible, the curriculum was obtained.

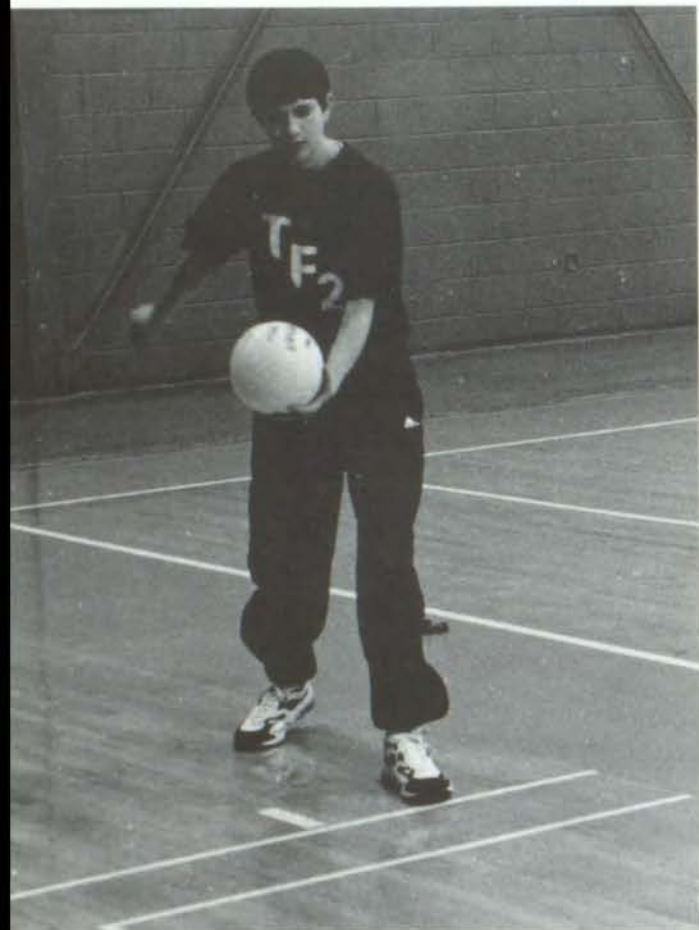
"Sometimes we can take more classes here. We can pick what we want to take. I like the teachers and the attention," Alicia Clark, sr, said. *By Meagan Sherbo*

"We can do the same things as other students like attend Prom and sporting events."

Alicia O'Dor, sr



Students in a seventh hour physical education class participate in volleyball games and skill practices. The class, Life Rec I, taught by Mrs. Jennifer Holferty, focused on both individual and group sports. Photo by Shaun Kennedy



in his physical education class, Life Rec I, Cory McClanahan, jr, prepares to serve a volleyball. Other activities that Life Rec participated in were archery, bowling, jogging, volleyball and aerial tennis. Photo by Shaun Kennedy

Sophomore Jeff Shouse bench presses in his physical education class. There were 10 classes of weight lifting offered. Teachers were Mr. John Stipetich, Mr. Pat Hansen, and Mrs. Debbie Becker. Photo by Shaun Kennedy



Serving the volleyball in a game, Kaycee Sandridge, jr, focuses on the ball. On each team there were six players, and the game was played until a point total of 15 was reached. The outcome of the game did not count towards a student's grade. Photo by Shaun Kennedy



active class offers

change of pace

from Body Fitness to Weight Training to Life Rec I, there were eight different physical education classes.

Student in Team Sports I, Sarah Bowles, soph, said, "It's fun because you get up and move around; it's relaxing, and you're not sitting at a desk. I like the team idea—I don't like to work alone and in this class I don't really have to."

Being able to move around, to work with others and to be active helped some students enjoy the class more. Different activities were offered. Options like archery, bowling, soccer, flag football, and others enabled students to have their personal favorites.

physical
education
provides
students
with a
different
class setting

"Handball is my favorite activity because you are always moving, always active, and it was fun to score points and win the games. I just like to play team sports with people of different abilities and skills, and gym is more fun than most classes," Michael McCollum, jr, said.

After students obtain the required two credits they often do not take any more gym classes. Some students do, however, miss the fun they had in the class.

"I'm glad I got the class over with my sophomore year, but I kind of miss not having a class just to play games in," said Jayna Vaccaro, jr, Life Rec II student last year.

By Meagan Sherbo

"my favorite activity in gym is climbing the ropes because it makes me feel like Tarzan."

Anton Tkal, sr



As Space FADES AWAY

Drivers were faced with continual changes in routes, beginning with the major reconstruction which added width to Liberty Drive. Some students had to find a new way to school, causing traffic build up around Wilshire and the four-way stop sign. To add to the hassle and inconvenience, I-35 and 69 Highway were repaved and redesigned. Later, the Mill Street and H Highway alignment near William Jewell college was newly constructed.

The historic square was not far from change either, when space filled up quickly with new businesses like SRO, which offered it's very own version of ice cream, "frozen custard." Fire engulfed one historical building on North Water Street, causing an estimated \$350,000 in damage, due to faulty wiring. And other businesses came and went as fortunes changed.

Numbers changed for businesses and post office box holders too, as 64069 became their new zip code due to the large commercial growth occurring throughout the city. —Kristen Miller

EXPANSION WAS TO occur at the local Taco Bell in spring. The restaurant was scheduled to shut down for about three months to allow time for renovation, including more seating and a drive thru.

Photo by Kim Fitch



Liberty 2010

In April, Liberty citizens **voted** on a program called Liberty 2010.

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SPACE LIMITATION IS THE MAIN CAUSE OF THE \$7.2 million expansion taking place at Liberty Hospital, to allow for a greater outpatient volume. An exercise path was added, along with a new bridge.
Photo by Melissa Propps



THE GRAND OPENING took place for Burger King in February, bringing with it 65 new jobs. The business opened on Hwy 152 in Kansas City, near the newly opened Golden Corral.
Photo by Jason Noel

CLOSE UP

When HEATHER O'DONNELL, jr, after having long hair



since fifth grade cut it short, it was quite a surprise. "Everyone was really shocked when I got it cut, but they all said they liked it," she said.



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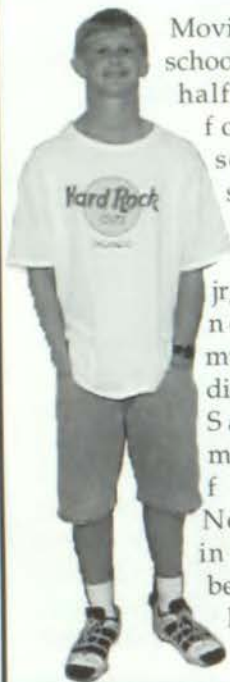
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Survey of 194 students
Sept. 24, 1997

CLOSE UP



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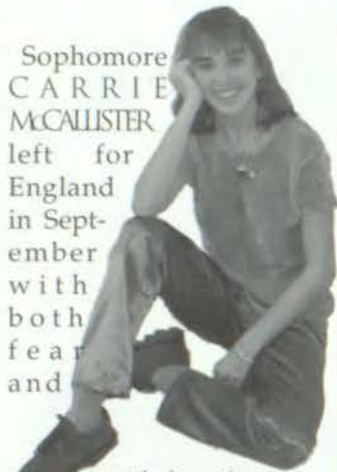
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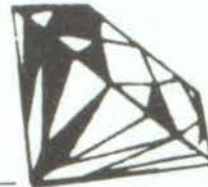
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Survey of 203 students
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Standing Room Only	9%
Winstead's	8%
Other	7%

Survey of 200 students
Sept. 24, 1997

CLOSE UP

The Giambrones, all sophomores, are quadruplets who say they enjoy being part of a set of four; however, that doesn't mean they don't also have different interests.

Sal set himself apart last fall by dying his hair blonde for the Fall Festival. Vinny is the only one of the four who played any sports. He participated in JV soccer and he also played basketball. On the other hand, though, both he and Sal worked at Cascone's.

As for the girls, Cinzia and Cassie both said



they like being a twin because there is always someone to hang out with and talk to. Having many of the same friends meant that when someone called to ask one of the quads to go somewhere, the caller often ended up going out with someone else.

Still, there were other differences: Cinzia hopes to someday be a beautician, and they all enjoy listening to different types of music, from alternative to rap to oldies.

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TALLY IT UP

RE-RUNS are some of the most watched TV shows, and these are the ones you enjoyed.

<i>Sienfeld</i>	38%
<i>Roseanne</i>	37%
<i>Saved by the Bell</i>	33%
<i>The Simpson's</i>	8%
<i>Three's Company</i>	2%

Survey of 212 students
Sept. 23, 1997

CLOSE UP

CHANNING
JOHNSEN,

jr, moved from Raleigh, North Carolina the week before school started. The move was a result of his dad's job being transferred to the area. Johnsen enjoys dancing and is known as "Channing the Worm."



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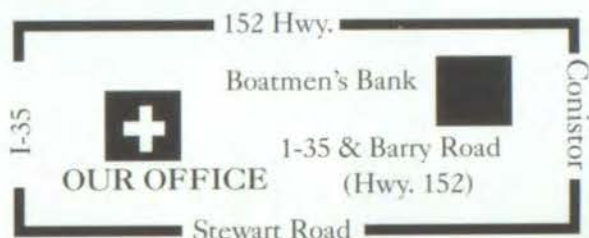
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proud of your
achievements.
May your dreams
come true and
the future be filled
with happiness
and success.

Love,
Dad, Mom,
Dianna, & Bryan

TALLY IT UP

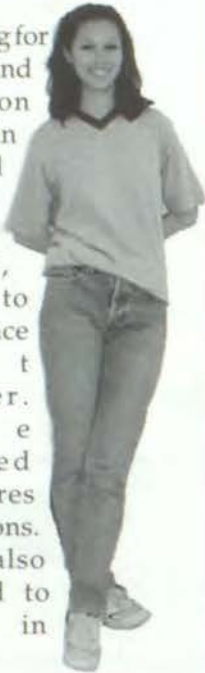
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CLOSE UP

Modeling for money and living on her own in England is what KRISTIN LONG, jr, got to experience last summer. She modeled for stores and salons. Long also traveled to Japan in March.



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With a smile of mischief
and a twinkle in your eyes,
you hit the ground running.
Life's never boring when
you're near. You meet it
head on with passion, joy
and cheer. You have grown
into a wonderful, caring
young man and we know that
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Type of service:	
Worked in a soup kitchen	55%
Food drive	45%

Survey of 206 students
Sept. 23, 1997

CLOSE UP



Sophomore ARTHUR LUNDBERG and his dad have been collecting pinball machines for years. They have 13 total and a room in their house just for the machines.

Adam,
Continue
to soar high!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Jenny & Kim



Shannon,
You are a
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 ability to make us
 laugh. As you look
 to the future, may you
 continue to walk with
 God and keep Him
 as your Guide.

Love,
 Dad, Mom, and Sarah

TALLY IT UP

Students chose many
 ways to WAKE UP in
 the morning and the
 majority said getting
 up was not too hard.

By an alarm set to alarm	46%
By an alarm set to music	27%
By a family member	23%
By themselves	3%
Other	1%

Survey of 189 students
 Sept. 23, 1997

CLOSE UP

SCOTT ROBERTS, sr. can be found on any given weekend rock climbing. Scott has a national ranking of 32nd best speed climber. Roberts said "I love it. There is nothing better then finishing a tough climb."



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Luke,

To get far in your life, hold on to your dreams and make them become reality. Congratulations on reaching your 1st dream!



Love,
Mom, Dad & Tina



Brianne
Congratulations!

It seems just like yesterday when you were a "little one." I've had a wonderful time watching you grow into this beautiful young woman you are today and I know you'll go far. Follow your dreams babydoll. You can make them happen. We are proud to call you daughter and sister.



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TALLY IT
UP

If you think you're the only one who goes to CHURCH every week, then take a look at this:

Attended on average every week	32%
Every 2-3 weeks	21%
Once a month	10%
Christmas/Easter	4%
Never	30%

Survey of 210 students
 Oct. 15, 1997

CLOSE UP

The only boy on flag corps was ERIC BAYER. He has been on the flag corps for two years. He said, "It gives me a sense of pride. I'm breaking the barriers."



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6-10	44%
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Survey of 32 teachers
Sept. 23, 1997

CLOSE UP



Does going to Rome, Italy sound like the trip you would take once in a lifetime? VANESSA TURNER, sr, has traveled to Italy frequently since she was three years old.

Turner travels there every other year to visit her grandmother that lives there. Before going to her grandmother's in Cheanzaro, Italy, Turner enjoys sightseeing in Rome.

"The way that people live in Italy is really different from the way that people live in America," said Turner. "There aren't really any houses there; people live mostly in apartments."

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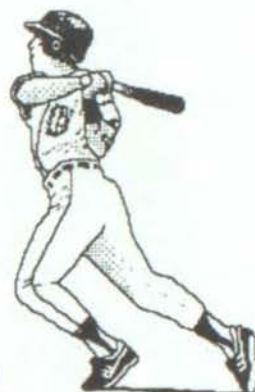
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Tisha,

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Mom and Dad



TALLY IT UP

How do you keep track of your everyday SCHOOL ASSIGNMENTS?

Remember them	36%
Planners	28%
Piece of paper	17%
Assignment Notebook	16%
Write on hand	1%
Don't keep track	2%

Survey of 202 students
Sept. 23, 1997

CLOSE UP

KATIE FERNANDEZ, sr, spent a semester attending a Las Vegas school but then came back because Katie said, "It was a great change but I really missed all of my friends."



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what a lot of people
carry with them.

No keys	15%
1 key	10%
2 keys	17%
3 keys	22%
4 keys	16%
5 keys	9%
6 or more keys	11%

Survey of 207 students
Sept. 23, 1997

CLOSE UP



JULIE OLDHAM, sr. is a member of the Civil Air Patrol Cadets. "Our mission is to educate emergency relief and to do the Cadet Program. The

Air Patrol has taught me leadership and dedication," Oldham said.



Congratulations, Jarrod

We are proud of you!

Some people succeed because they are destined to, but most people succeed because they are determined to. Keep reaching for God and you'll succeed.

Love,
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Tricia*

TALLY IT UP

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- 1 Phone Line 54.3%
- 2 Phone Lines 35.5%
- 3 Phone Lines 10%

Survey of 208 students
Oct. 15, 1997



*Amber,
We are so proud of you
and all of your accomplishments.
Enjoy your college years
and keep reaching for your dreams.
You are a beautiful young woman
who will go far with your music.
Love,
Mom, Dad Adam & Aaron*

CLOSE UP



Some people may fear heights, but not STEVEN DARBY, sr, who rock climbs in his spare time at the IBEX facility in Blue Springs. He has rock-climbed for about 1 year.



Congratulations Liz!
We are so proud of you for all of your great accomplishments. Good luck in college and we know that you will become a great teacher!
We love you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Tommy



*Congratulations
Katy Graber
We are so proud of the young woman you have become. We wish you every joy and happiness.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Scott, and Kelsey*



Now my Dad wears my boots.
Congratulations Trevor.
We're so proud of you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Travis

Congratulations, Deanna!



We are so proud of you and wish you the best of luck.
Love,
Mom, Ed, Eddie, Dad, Maleia, Grandpa, and Vivian

To our sweetie Lauren:



*We are so very proud of you and the quality young lady you have become. You make us grateful for the gifts you possess and share!
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CLOSE UP



Hitting the alarm at 5:30 a.m. to run and leaving soccer practice at 5:30 p.m. were part of a daily routine for **BRETT GUGGENMOS, jr.**, who did two sports at once.



April—
May all your wishes
and dreams
come true!
God bless you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Michelle,
Chad, and Blake



You have been a true joy
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Cristi Petonke—
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continually; give thanks in
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Thanks for
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We love
you, Dad,
Mom, and
Amy*

Laura Crowley...

You've made the past 18
years full of joy for all of us.
We're so very proud of you
and we can't wait to see all
that you accomplish!

We love you!

Mom, Dad, Kristin, and Katie



Shazzie, our baby—
born. You were
God's second gift to
us. Your energy, your
love of God, your
presence—has
brought us so much
pleasure, joy,
and love.

Your first step,
learning your ABC's,
the picnics at the
water tower, all the
soccer games—we
will cherish forever
in our hearts
these memories.
We are so proud
of you.

We will always hold
you close in our
hearts
and in our love.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and
Andrea



Ryan,

You have
always been
our sunshine.
Congratulations,
Big Guy!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
and Drew

TALLY IT UP

Buying SHOES can
get expensive, but
that didn't deter
students from collect-
ing numerous pairs.

1-2 pairs	8%
3-4 pairs	25%
5-6 pairs	16%
7-8 pairs	12%
9 and up pairs	39%

Survey of 210 students
Oct. 20, 1997

CLOSE UP



To continue his summer job, SCOTT BRANT, soph, took an independent study in computers. The study helped him learn about the different resources in the LMC.



BRIAN
Thank you for all the joy you have brought into our lives. Your smile and sense of humor brightens every day. We are very proud of you. We wish you all the happiness and success your future can hold!



We Love you!
Mom, Dad and David

From pigeon-toed babe to woman extraordinaire.

Soar!

Love,

Mom & Dad



Congratulations, Super Man!
Soar toward your dreams.
We're very proud of you.
Love,
Mom & Dad, Melissa, Kyle, T.V.B.

Howie

"You can do great things well, because Christ will give you strength."



Tawni—
You're truly beautiful from the inside out. We're so proud of all you've accomplished. Your determination and spirit will take you far!
We Love you always,
Mom, Dad, & Megan



We are very proud of you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Cia,
"NeeNee",
Anthony, and Juwan



Laura,
 Your family
 loves you and
 we are very proud
 of you!
 Congratulations
 on all of your
 accomplishments!
 We know you will
 continue to do
 your best.



All our love,
 Mom, Dad,
 Leah, & Sara

Congratulations Richard!
 Always keep your goals
 in sight.
 You're the best!



We all love you,
 Mom, Dad, Julie, & Debbie



Courtney,

Time has passed so quickly!

*It seems like yesterday that you were a cute
 little girl and now you are an AWESOME
 young lady! We love you very much!*

Mom, Dad, and Lesley



Mike,
 You will soar
 with the Eagle.
 Just follow your dreams.

We Love You,
 Mom, Dad, and Danny

TALLY IT UP

RINGS decorate
 many students' hands.
 How many do they
 wear on each hand?

None	51%
1 to 2	43%
3 to 4	3%
5 or more	3%

Survey of 202 students
 Oct. 15, 1997

CLOSE UP



To complete four years of college before her mission for her church AMBER STEVENS, jr, chose to graduate early. She took correspondence classes from MU to graduate a year ahead.

Glimpses of Gary:

a blue car
 a messy room
 excessive Nintendo
 an accomplished debater
 a good thinker
 considerate of others
 Concert Choir at Christmas
 but our favorite Glimpse —
 a loaned necktie.

Love,
 Mom, Dad, Karen, & Amy



You have been such a blessing in our lives. We will always treasure the years we've shared with you. Your faith, dedication, commitment and love for people will take you far, and we will be here loving you and cheering you on.
 Love,
 Mom and Dad



Niki,
 We are so proud of you! God blessed us with a beautiful daughter. We know God loves you and will bless you in your life. Congratulations! We love you!
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Chris
 Congratulations on all you've accomplished!
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 Your infectious laugh,
 Your beautiful smile,
 Your sensitive nature,
 Your quick wit and
 delightful sense of
 humor,
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 you touch is lucky.
 Congratulations Elfie!!*



Love,
 Mom, Dad and Matt



Lisa Marie –
 Thanks for the happy
 childhood memories.
 Be true to yourself.
 Follow your dreams
 and live each day to
 its fullest. Remember
 we are only a phone
 call away.

Love,
 Mom, Dad, & Rusty

TALLY IT
UP

Students seemed to be
 concerned with AUTO
 SAFETY. Many took
 precautions to protect
 their lives.

How often do students buckle up?	
Always	65%
Sometimes	30%
Never	5%

Survey of 205 students
 Oct. 15, 1997

CLOSE UP

J E F F MAUZEY, sr. went to France last summer, "Going to France was definitely the highlight of last summer," he said. "I enjoyed talking with the French in hotel lobbies and various shops." He took French V. "I have an uncle who would always tell me that our family had French ancestry so it just seemed natural to take French."



Amy,
Through all of life's challenges, you continue to smile and maintain your **GOLDEN** personality, that captures everyone's heart.



Your zest for life has truly been an inspiration for all of us. **DREAMS CAN COME TRUE.**

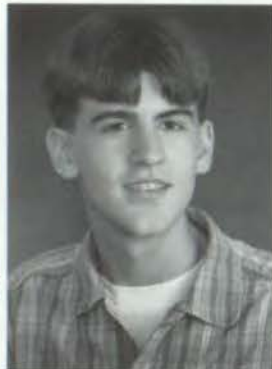
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Mom, Dad,
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You always were & you always will be quite a man!

Love,
Mom, Benny,
Laura,
Grandma
& Grandpa

Artistic
Neat
Detailed
Runner
Easy going
Witty



A tremendous accomplishment.

We are very proud of you.

Love, Mom, & Dad



The world is full of those who say Shouldn't hope! It'll never float! It'll never work! Shouldn't try!

So, with your Gentle hand as



Matt Kelsey,
Always keep that beautiful smile. We love you and are proud of you.
Mom, Dad,
Marty

faithful friend, a loving heart and open smile, we send you, Bec, this world to mend.





Dana Suzanne

Congratulations!! and thank you for the richness you have brought to our lives. Your strength of character, your sweet spirit,

and your sense of humor have made it a pleasure to be your parents. We are very proud of you and will always love you.

Mom and Dad



David

**de la Fuente,
We are so proud of you and all of your accomplishments. You will always be our champ.
Love Mom, Dad,
Julie, and Anthony**



Jennie,

**Mom and dad are so proud of you. You are a bright and beautiful young woman. You have sets goals in life and achieved them. Enjoy your college years and never quit reaching. Remember "you are woman, hear you roar."
Love Mom**



**Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Psalms 37:4**

**Sean,
You're our gift from God and so full of life! It's been a rollercoaster 18 years but what a ride. Go after your dream and know that our love will follow with you.
Mom, Dad
& Crick**



**Set you goals high and continue to reach out. We are very proud of you Drea!
Love,
Mom, Amy,
Ashley, Allison,
Marcus,
& Keesha**

TALLY IT UP

Lions and tigers and bears, oh my! Believe it or not, many teens have STUFFED ANIMALS like these.

None	23%
1-10	40%
More	26%
Teddy Bears	52%
Beanie Babies	27%
Stuffed Dogs	32%

Surveys taken by 227 students on October 21, 1997

CLOSE UP



The only sophomore in an AP Biology class is STAN GRINTER. Grinter said that he enjoys being in this class,

"It is challenging and I enjoy being with the older people in my classes".

He hopes to do something in the science field when he gets out of school.



Shannon,

At times over the years, it seemed as if you would never reach this day! We are all proud of the bright, beautiful young woman you have become. Remember you are capable of achieving any goal you set for yourself.

We Love You!

Mom, Frank, Dad, Kelly, Kris Jake & Katie

You may always march to a beat of a different drum, but the music you make will warm the souls of all you know.



We hope your future is a bed of roses without thorns.

Love, Mom, Dad, Joe, Anna, and Frank



Corey

You are a blessing and a joy. Our prayers are always with you.

Love from all of us, Dad, Mom, Brad, Dennis & Angie



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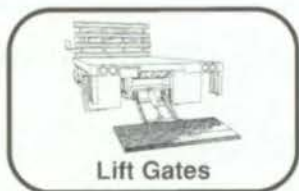
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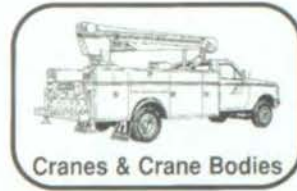
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You are the sunshine of my life!
Congratulations!
 Love,
 Mom



Congratulations Con!
Tackle the future!
We love you!
 Dad, Mom, Aaron and Kelly

Congratulations, Erin!
All signs point to much happiness and success in your future. We trust you will make all the right moves on whatever roads you choose. You make us proud!
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, & Rachel



Tiffany Lyn,

If I could choose anyone in the world to be my daughter—it would be you.



I am so very proud of you. You truly are my sunshine. All my love and respect,
Mom

Hannah,

We appreciate the way you always strive to do your best. You have grown up in many ways and we like the person you are. "And whatever you do in word or in deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through Him to God the Father." Col. 3:17
 Our love and prayers go with you wherever you are.
 With much love,
 Mom, Dad, Rachel, and Joel



Megan Dawn

Your diligence and empathy will take you far. Your warped sense of humor will make the journey fun! Always remember our love is constant, even as your world expands. Congratulations, Number One! Love Always, Dad, Mom, and Ashley



Squeak, Congratulations!



Even though you struggled, you accomplished so much that made us all so proud!
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, Chris, Shawn & Family

TALLY IT UP

The INTERNET was a big part of students' lives, with 47% of students having access at home.

Used Internet less than 1hr. a week	37%
1-2 hrs.	22%
3-4 hrs.	9%
5 hrs. or more	19%
Didn't use Internet	14%

Survey of 167 students
 Oct. 20, 1997

CLOSE UP



Owning one nice car is every high school student's dream. For ERIC GERKEN, jr, this dream was a reality. He owned two cars: a 1995 Camaro and a 1970 Chevel.



Kristin,

If all the little girls in the world were lined up end to end, guess who we would pick? We couldn't be more proud of you. You have become a beautiful person both inside and out. You're the kind of daughter and sister any family would be thankful to have. WE believe in you,

Love, Mom, Dad & Erin



Stephanie,
We love you
and are very
proud of you.
Mom, Dad,
Becca and
Christopher



Jennifer,

Congratulations! We are very proud of you! You have achieved much. Your determination & patience will keep your dreams within your reach!

Love,

Mom, Dad, Emily, & Melanie



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of you.

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as you go far in life,
you will always
remain close to our
hearts.

Love, Mom & Dad

Ellen, David & Nick

TALLY IT UP

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Top Five Favorites

1. Tigger
2. Goofy
3. Eeyore
4. Winnie the Pooh
5. Donald Duck

Survey of 193 students
Oct. 20, 1997

CLOSE UP



Writing in her spare time
BECKY WILKERSON
 jr, found she had a love for poetry. When she sent her work into a contest she discovered she was good at writing it.

After a few weeks, she got a letter that said her poetry would be published. *Whispers at Dusk* is the book where her untitled poem can be found.



Kimberly,

You've gone from my newborn to my kindergartner, and now my graduate. You are the joy of my life, my best friend, and my inspiration. Remember everything you do and everywhere you go your guardian angel is looking down on you and is beside you. so all you have to do is hold your head up and follow your dreams. We are very proud of you and love you. Good luck in everything you do.
 Love,
 Mom, Your guardian angel and Charles



Brad,
 You're #1 with us. We are very proud of you.
Congratulations!
 We love you!
 Mother,
 Grandma, &
 Larry Dyes



This too,
 we wish to say:
 "This is my son,
 whom I love;
 with him
 I am well pleased."
 Matthew 17:5
 We love you—
 Mom & Dad



You have succeeded in the classroom, on the field,
 and with your music. Continue the great work
 and you are sure to reach your goals.

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Kathy!**
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celebration
watching you grow.
May you continue to
strive to reach new
goals and desires.

Bryan,
Congratulations!

You have become a young man
that I am proud to call my son.
I love you and respect you for
all of your courage. You have
brought me much happiness
through our difficult times. I
know your dad is always with
you and just as proud as I am.
1-4-3 Mom



Carilee,

Since you were a little
girl, you've always been
a shining star. You have
strength, courage, and
common sense, and a true
sense of right and wrong.
You have been blessed
with a great personality
and a strong faith in God.
You have friends that care



about you, brothers and
sisters that admire you,
and parents that love,
support, and believe in
you. We are very proud of
you Carilee, and with all
of these things going for
you... you'll go far in life!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Michelle,
Scott, Lauren, and Kirk



Rachel,

*When we brought home this beautiful little girl
almost 18 years ago, we should have known
she would turn out to be such a
beautiful young woman (inside and out).
Now you're getting ready to leave the nest.
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Never eat there	20%

Survey of 205 students
Oct. 15, 1997

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Playing soccer and being a member of the band were some of junior KYLE JONES' favorite pastimes. In August, he moved here from South Carolina, where he worked at 7-11.



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Ryan Joe...

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We're very proud of you!!!

Love,
Dad, Mom, Michael, Garrett,
and Allison



David Hobbs
Congratulations!
You're the best!
 Love,
Mom & Dad



Michael,
 You've come a long way.
 We are so proud of you
 and all of your
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 We love you very much, and
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 Mom & Dad
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One thing I do: forgetting what
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 forward to what lies ahead, I
 press on toward the goal for the
 prize of the upward call of God
 in Christ Jesus. Phil. 3:3-14 .
 Keep reaching upward and take
 time to enjoy life as you do. We
 all have confidence that you will
 attain your goals.
 Love Dad, Mom & Heather

TALLY IT
UP

The NURSE was often
 visited during the day
 for anything from daily
 medication to emer-
 gencies. How many
 times did you go?

Never	40%
When sick	57%
Once a month	43%
Once a week	39%
Once a day	18%

Survey of 217 students
 Oct. 15, 1997

CLOSE UP



After school, you might find DUSTY ENGELHARDT, sr, at his Pizza Hut part-time job cooking. "I don't really eat pizza that much anymore since I'm around it a lot," said Engelhardt.

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Love,

Mom



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CLOSE UP

JAMIE WOODS, sr, has quite a serious collection—of shoes. From Berkinstocks to Doc



she said.

Martins, Jamie has over 100 pairs. "For a while there were no limits. I'd buy two pairs of shoes a week,"



*Shanna,
Our "Brown - Eyed Girl"
The Lord blessed you
with beauty and
talent in abundance,
but your special, sweet
and loving spirit is
what makes you
shine so brightly.*

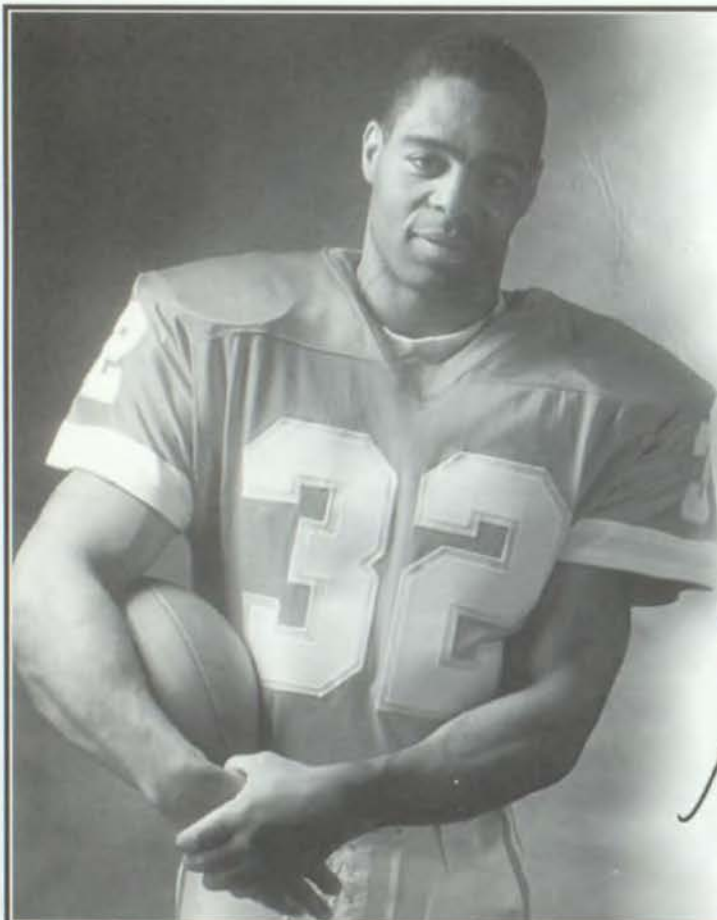
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Mom, Erik and Steven*



Congratulations Sara,

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*Love,
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MATT,

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Jeremiah 17:7-8

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Jessica,

"In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success." Prov. 3:6

You are #1 in line for the throne.

We love you...

Tah-sass-ah-goo!

Mom, Dad, Lori, Lindsay, James, Maddie, Arlie, Mickey, Punkin, Spot, Charlie, and Sugar



Ariel-

A beautiful 'Princess'

A 'true' Texan

And a real 'Angel'-

All in our little girl!

"Many daughters have done nobly, but you excel them all." Prov. 31:29

*Love and prayers, now and always,
Mom, Dad & Conan*



David,

We believe in you and we know that you will be successful in anything you chose to do in life. You are a very special son and we are proud to be your family. Reach for the stars.

We love you
Mom, Dad,
and Elizabeth

Jonathan,

You have certainly kept us all in the race with your constant motion. May your positive attitude towards life and ever-present smile continue on with you in your future.

You are so very special to us. God bless.

We love you,

Mom, Dad,
Kim & KoKo



CLOSE UP

HOWIE HOUSTON,

jr, has been singing since he was 3 years old. He started after listening to Michael Jackson.

He looks up to his parents, Snoop, and L.L. Cool J. Howie is in a group called 3rd Nature which is coming out with an album soon. "Watch out for 3rd Nature!" said Houston.



Ryan:

Life will be easier than you think. All you have to do is:

- Utilize the power of positive thinking
- Accept the impossible
- Do without the indispensable
- Bear the intolerable and
- Be able to smile at anything.

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Mom, Dad, Michael, Elizabeth,
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With pride we've shared your accomplishments. With joy we share your graduation. With confidence we watch you go on to make your future!
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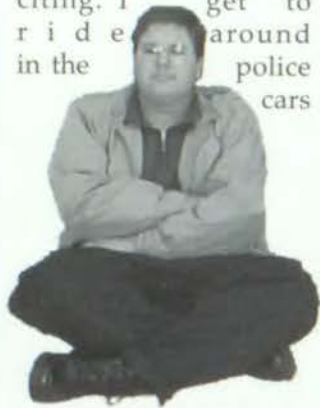
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Scheduled snow days are few to none. I think the administration should plan for more, that



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■ **Vo-Tech.** Front Row: Michelle Kalaba, Amber Sutton, Nikki Long, Perry Marshall, Leith Taylor, Deborah Lafferty, Julie Estep, Ryan Grimm. Row 2: Larry Tatum, Joshua Sambursky, Curtis Stallman, Sean Shannon, CJ Anderson, Michael Cheney, Dustin Eichler, Dana Goodman. Back Row: David Stockham, Don Williams, Adam Schwartz, Robert Bruner, Michael Segura, George Franck, Seth Wilson, Jason Richmond. Not Pictured: Dustin Dodson, Erik Heindel, Steven Locke, Matthew Maasen, Shawn Mallory, Scott Moberly.



■ **Yearbook.** Front Row: Jenny Day, Kristen Miller, Amie Vogt, Meagan Sherbo, Kristin Parrish. Row 2: Kim Fitch, Cari Colgan, Crystal Selvey, Sarah Nelson, Andee Ochs, Amanda Mauzey. Back Row: Kristin Leitze, Emily Craven, Jenny deFlon, Jennipher Shaver. Not Pictured: Katy Graber, Tiffany Warnes.



■ **Homecoming Top Ten.** Front Row: Trevor Allison, Brian Thomas, Jason Filbeck, Luke Hiller, Scott Thiel. Row 2: Katy Graber, Shanna Hilt, Anna Roiley, Katie Jones, Shea Evans. Row 3: Dana Elmore, Amy Cordray, Jennifer Hannah, Laura Probasco, Amber Derryberry. Row 4: Daniel Morris, Connor Burns, Bo Sires, Gary O'Dell, Neil Bouhan.



■ **SADD.** Front Row: Janet Boschert, Juli Jarrett, Melissa Hernandez, Jennifer Boschert. Row 2: Andrea Mallams, Kathy Shockley, Melissa Martens, Sara Fisher. Back Row: Jamie Klare, Laura Crowley, Brian Thomas, Candi Meyer, Katy Graber. Not Pictured: Tyler Anderson, Shalisa Beecher, Raelle Bowles, Liz Durden, Holly Eisenlohr, Allison Minks, Breanna Nitsch, Erin Reed, Brian Shank, Brianna Stallsworth, Shannon Taylor, Lindsey Wolfer, Danette Peck, sponsor.

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Row 5: Jolene Lyons, Andrea Kennedy, Kristy Abreo, Jenny Cooper, Rachael Willeke, Allison Lohman, Carrie Peter, Tina Goffredson, Kim Hicks, Emily Cargill, Brandie Vetter, Melissa Martens, Jennifer Buford, Breanne Robertson. **Row 6:** Deanna Duncan, Tracey Knight, Michael McCollum, Michael Eaton, Tyler Edwards, Arron Pinney, Kelly Pangburn, Nick Koehler, Eddy Camp, Liz Durden, Stephanie Drogan. **Row 7:** Allison Minks, Bobby Lyons, Erin Smith, Jim Bergner, Brandon McCulloh, Mitch Hiser, Jon Brouse, Bryan Highland, Jill Byrant, Kent Dryer, Eric Cole, Kim Baker, Michelle Sharp, Cheryl Drogan, Kim Rooney. **Back Row:** Ryan Hampton, Aaron McKown, Jason DeWitt, Matt Kelsey, Brett McCubbin, Jon Gallagher, Troy Hawkins, Tim Eymann, Anthony Shaeffer, Mary Wirt, J.J. Vanyperen, Charles Miller. **Not Pictured:** Erik Bayer, Frank Benavidez, Katie Calder, Ted Campbell, Stephen Davidson, Alan Emig, Jill Harrison, Robert Horne, R.J. Howe, Justin Jeffries, Megan Lauer, Brandy Lawrence, Kent Leugers, Blaine Lewis, Hannah Lomas, Angie Milks, Luanne Neth, Dreon Pero, Travis Pyle, Melody Richey, David Schnieders, Stephanie Shaw, Nathan Stanley, Adam Tervort, Robert Turner, Stephen Wahl, Brandon Wallace, Ryan Wallace, Paul Warnex, sponsor, Danny Watring, sponsor.

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Counting the

Memories

I used the elevator for 3 days. I got to a key to use it because I sprained my ankle, and I had torn

ligaments in my foot. I couldn't move around very much so it was nice not to have to go up and down the stairs."



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Carrie Boulware, soph

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■ Staff Letter ■

When 18 women began a giant project, filled with girl talk and random dancing, the year felt just like one huge slumber party. Somehow we managed to finish the book in lightning speed, though in the beginning this day felt like years away. We would just like to congratulate everyone on doing a wonderful job! Because of you, this book is going to be looked back upon years later by your classmates, and though some will not realize all your hard work, we do, and would like to thank you for everything!

Cari Colgan - Sports Editor - Once again your sports section looked wonderful, and oh yeah, is your birthday March 7, cause we can't remember!

Emily Craven - Peoples Editor - It cannot be thanked enough for you taking over the entire people's section when you didn't know exactly what to do. You sure caught on quickly!

Jenny Day - Clubs Editor - Your extreme concern for certain peculiarities certainly helped us out throughout the year!

Jenny deFlon - Index Editor - You always had a great attitude the entire year. You did an excellent job keeping spirits up and organizing the index section.

Kim Fitch - Photography Co-Editor - We couldn't have done it without you! You had a wonderful eye for pictures, and because of that fact, students are going to look back years to come at those pictures and remember their fabulous year!

Katy Graber - Photography Co-Editor - Not only were you an excellent photographer, but your talents helped the hours fly by with your out-of-the-blue singing and dancing.

Kristin Leitze - Academics Editor - Thanks for working those extra hours to perfect an awesome academics spread.

Amanda Mauzey - Staff Writer - We have to admit, we love your great sense of humor, and who could not smile seeing that you always have your toe and fingernails painted to match.

Sarah Nelson - Ads Editor - The stress had to be great when you have to fix all those annoying little boxes throughout the entire ads section, but hey, they say tough times build a strong character, and believe us, that was a tough time.

Andee Oches - Assistant Index Editor - Who could not enjoy your wonderful ballet performances?

Kristin Parrish - Staff Writer - Thank you so much for writing Courtwarming in a pinch. And we really enjoyed helping you with all those crops!

Crystal Selvey - Staff Writer - Thanks for joining our wonderful family and coming back for another year, we hoped you enjoyed it as much as we did!

Meagan Sherbo - Mini-Mag Editor - We both love your awesome mini-mag design, it truly shows your great creative ability! Also, thanks for being unimaginably helpful!

Jennifer Shaver - Student Life Editor - Your leadership in putting together two new and inventive sections was outstanding! The stories were wonderful, and you should be extremely proud of the final product.

Tiffany Warnes - Staff Writer - Thanks for finally giving up your reign as crash queen and keeping us entertained by throwing pencils at random across the computers at Jenny Day. A good laugh never hurt anybody.

SENIORS - We would just like to personally wish all the seniors the best of luck in their future. Your strong commitment to the yearbook has made the class and the book so great and enjoyable. Thank you so very much!

Mrs. Hensel - Advisor - Where to start? We would just like to thank you for everything you have done. Starting the year as co-editors without our teacher in class was difficult, but you certainly knew how to make it easier. Thank you so much! And we promise, next year our first priority is the staff manual!

Thank you all,

Kristen Miller and Amie Vogt

Making time COUNT

Hours added up to days as many changes consumed time. ■ For fun, students danced through the night at the Embassy Suites Hotel, the new location of Prom. ■ For further expression they were able to enter artistic works into the Fine Arts Festival May 8-12. ■

For the facility, even more improvements were started and will continue into the summer. ■ Gym classes anxiously await a new locker room and all will enjoy a more comfortable climate in gym when air-conditioning is finished Aug 10. ■ The exterior of the building had already been given a face-lift through Environmental Club's landscaping projects. ■ Funding had come from club T-shirt sales and money donated by the Department of Natural Resources, so that students could enjoy a butterfly garden. ■

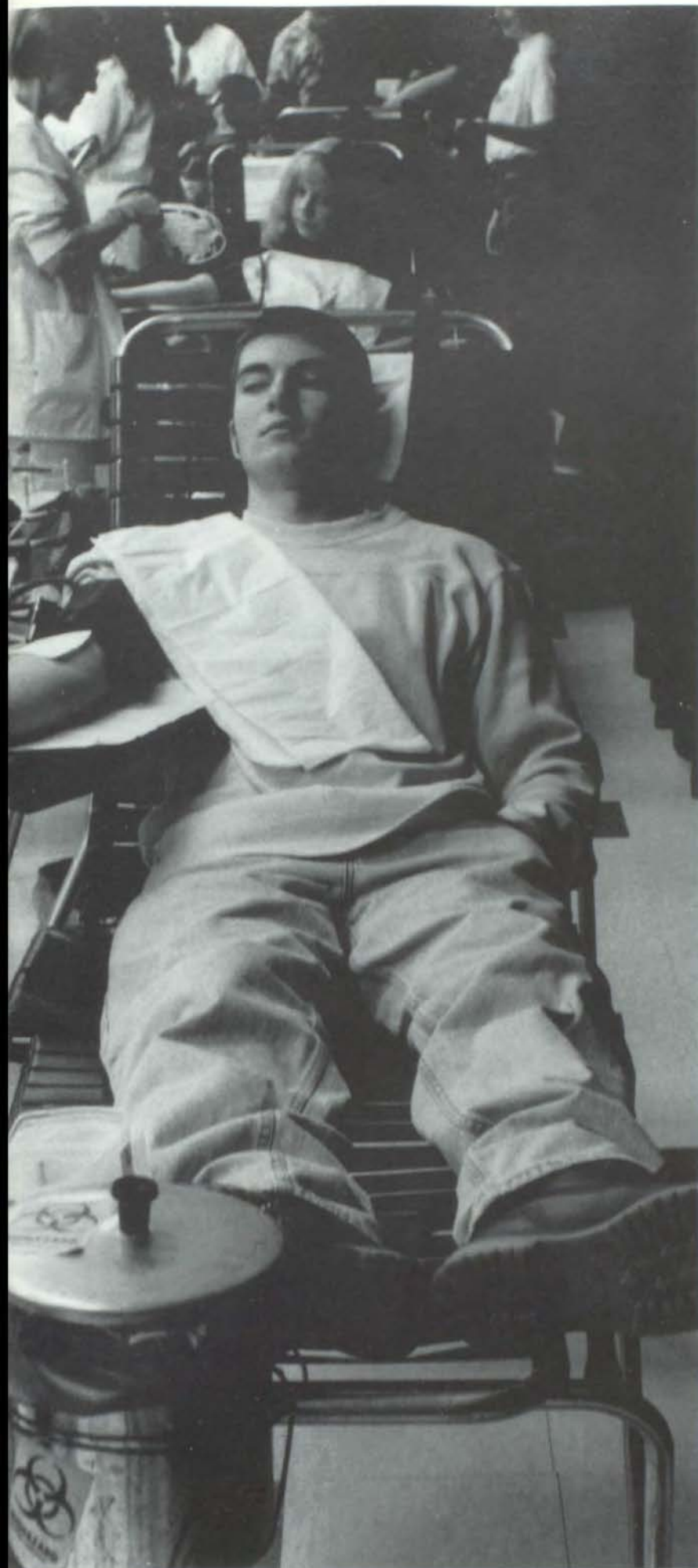
For the framework in the future, class time will be reorganized into a block schedule, voted on by the faculty in March. ■ For the count, these things all added up to improvements for the future. ■ — *Amie Vogt* ■

232 WAS THE FINAL number of pints collected by the AP Biology class, shattering the old record of 206.

Justin Mountain, sr, was just one of the many students who decided to donate his blood on Feb. 26. This was the largest high school drive recorded, with a 39% turnout.

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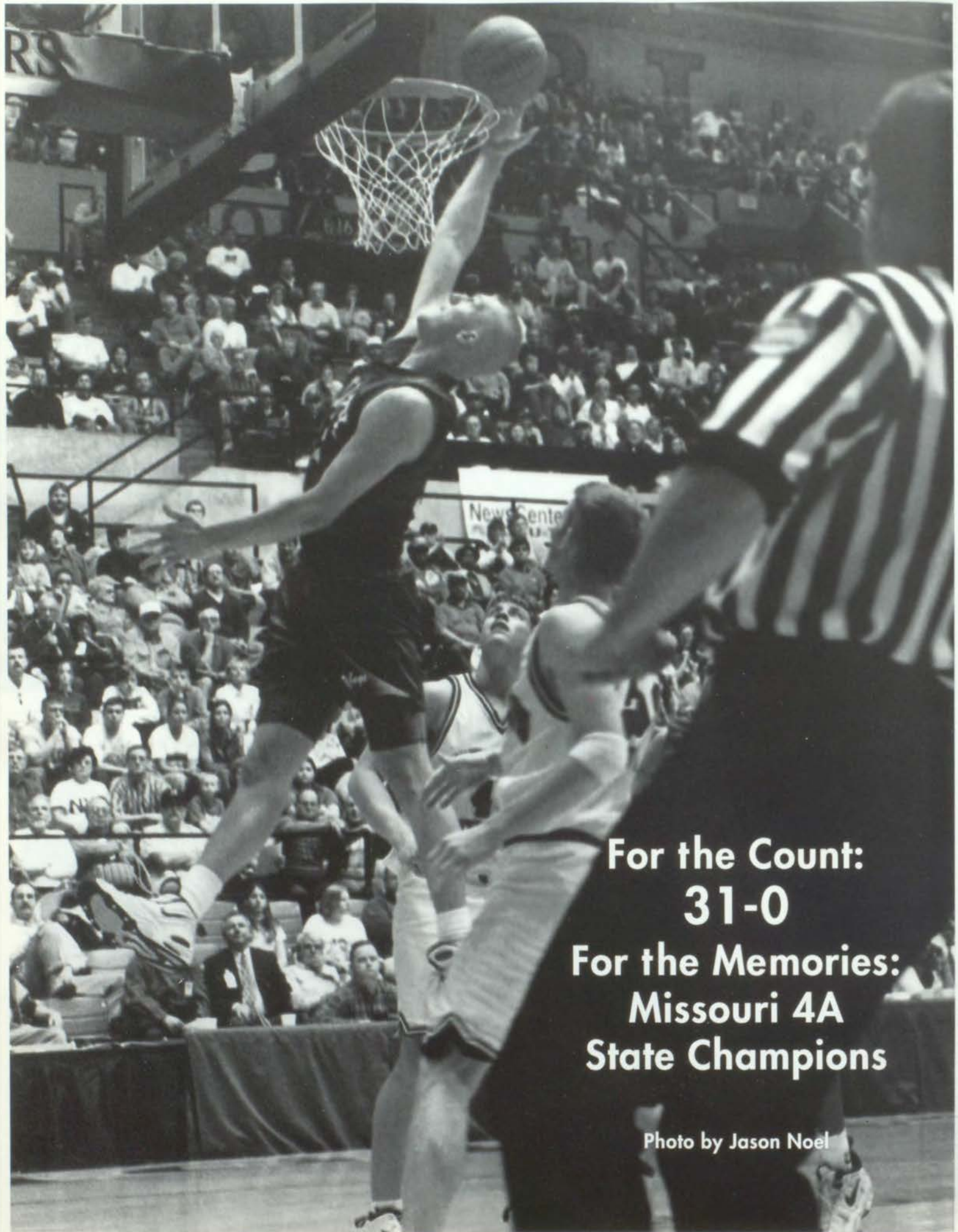
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