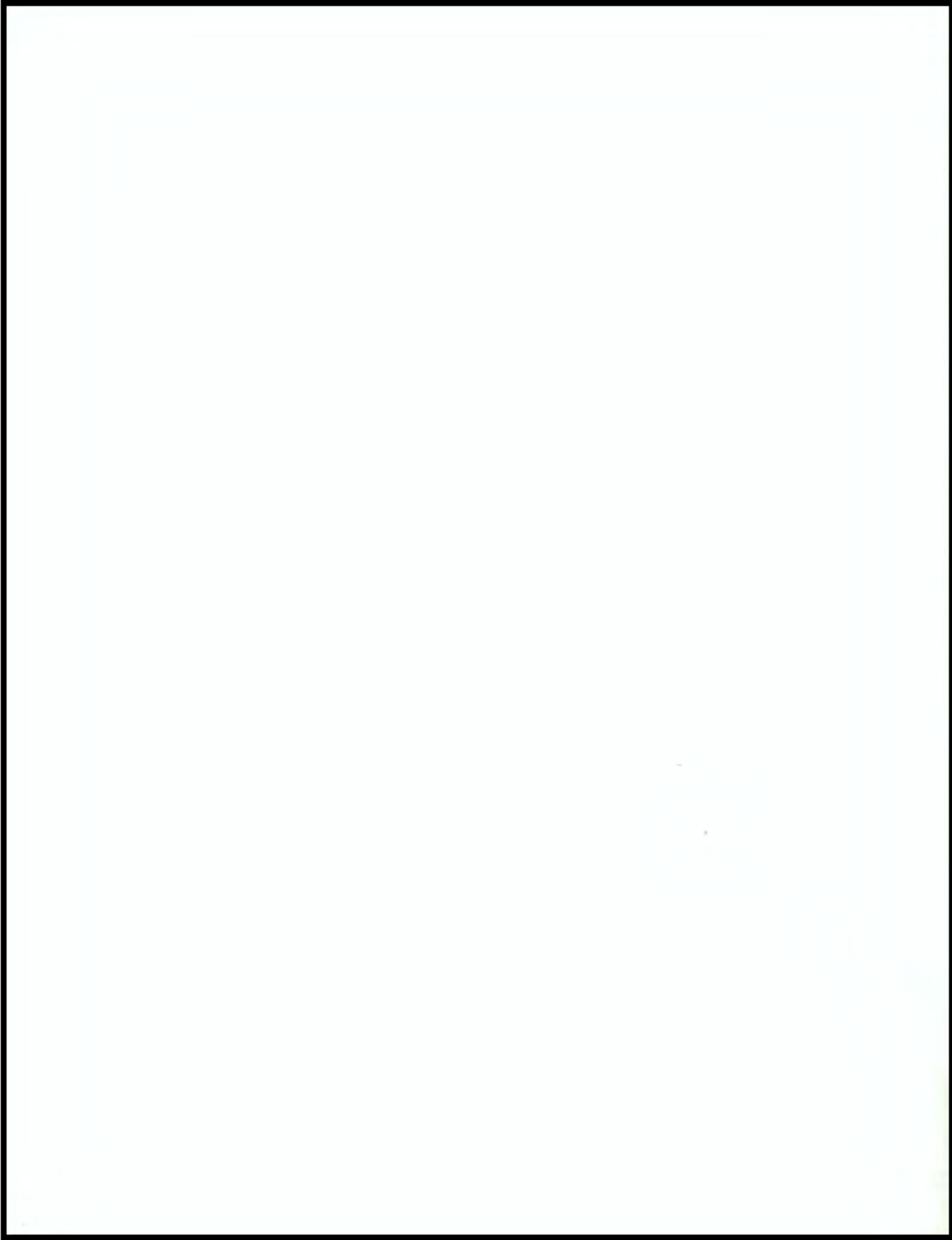


*“So then,
anyone who hears these words of mine
and acts accordingly
is like a wise man
who built his house on rock.
The rain poured, the rivers flooded,
and the wind blew against the house,
but it did not collapse because it was
built on Rock.”*

-Matthew 7:24-25





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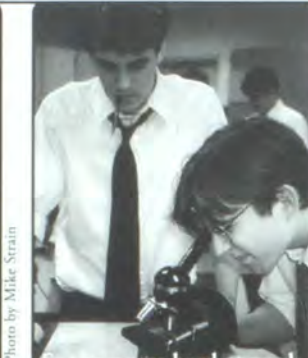
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Principal Mr. Tom Murphy



Sophomores hard at work



Fr. Menard bless a student

As we come to the end of the tenth decade of the tenth century of the second millennium A.D., on the verge of another thousand years, we are tempted to focus solely on the change around us.

Progress is fantastic, but while we are embracing the future we should also take time to honor our past, give the respect due to those things that remain steadfast through time.

Like Rockhurst.

Tradition runs as deeply here as any other school in the city, possibly more so. Our values remain true to the beliefs of Christianity. The Jesuit experience is still strong at RHS, still helping to mold our religious experiences and beliefs. Faith in God remains a central aspect of this school as it was in 1910, and will continue to be for many centuries.

Our superior academic program is continually making us one of the most challenging, yet fruitful schools on the education plain. RHS demands the best out of students day in and day out and most students step up to the challenge. We repeatedly send out aptly prepared scholars to some of the best colleges and universities in the country. Our best students rank consistently among the top in the nation.

Every year.

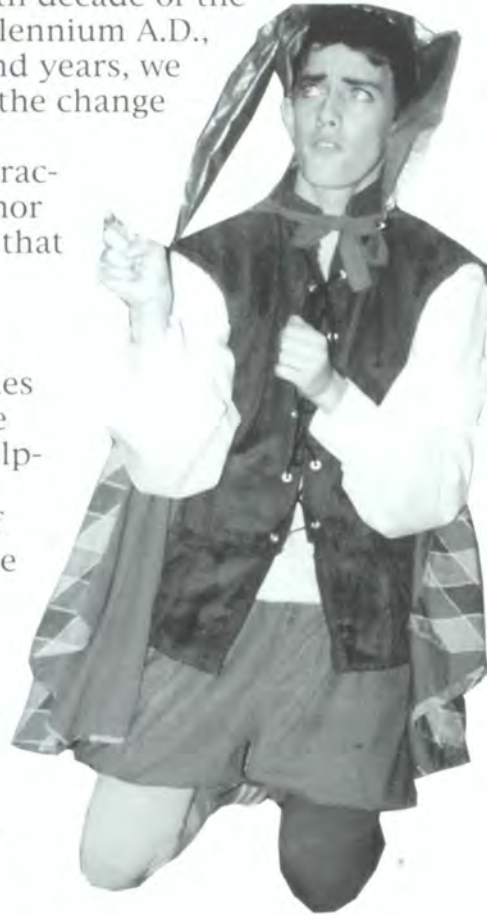
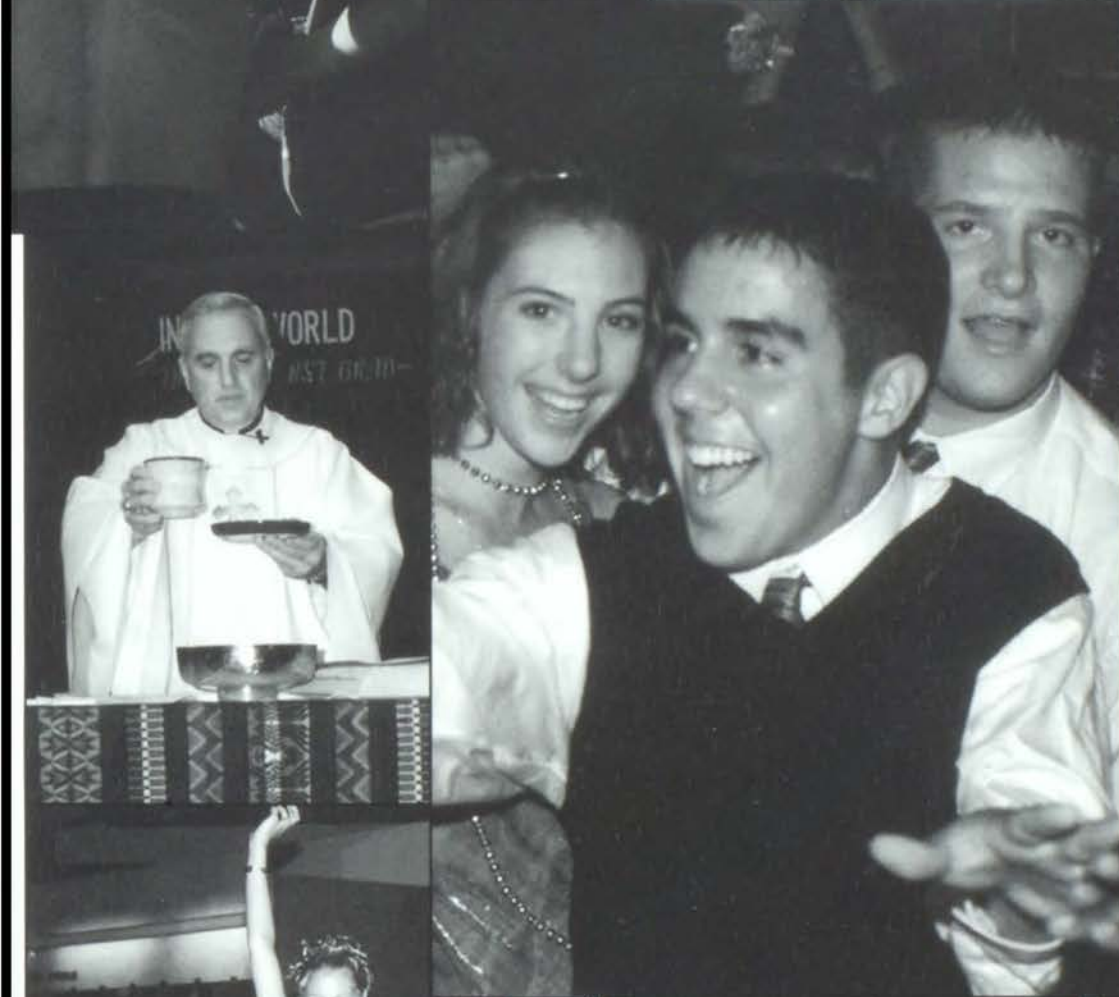
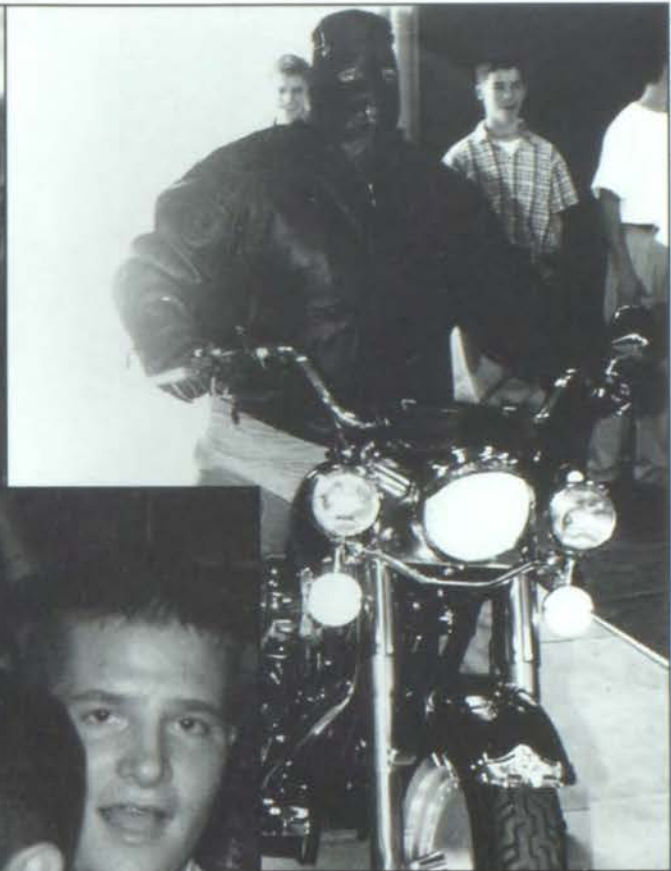


Photo by Matt Dauby



Clockwise from top: Senior Rory Donnelly is congratulated by his family after running well in a cross country meet. The masked Harley Rider (Mr. Matt Nolen) rolls into the gym during a pep rally. Junior Chris Clarkson busts a move at the Homecoming Dance. Seniors Darus Dixon, Brian Siegel and Alex Krump converse at prom. Fr. Suwalsky and Fr. Menard process down to begin mass in the Rose Theater. Senior Joe Linneman gets crazy at prom. Fr. Pesci offers the gifts at the Spanish Mass. Above: The last photo taken of Mr. Thomas Murphy was at a service in the gym honoring the martyred Jesuits in El Salvador. Students investigate in Mrs. Geisel's science class. Fr. Menard gives a blessing during the distribution of the Eucharist.

Rock of Ages



Captains Matt Jewett and Matt Darby joyfully hold up the State Championship trophy, the second Rockhurst has won in as many years. Derek McCallum pushes himself at the Grandview Invitational.



Photo by Matt Darby

Freshmen get in some last minute studying in the commons before school starts. Senior Josh Polsinelli spends time at his senior service project talking to kids.

Iron-clad sophomore Kevin Kane learns first hand about the Roman Soldier in Mr. Jim DeGraw's World History class. Above: Fr. Chris Pinne lectures senior Will Banning as Mr. Tom Murphy puts in his say. Junior Matt Kopp focuses as he plays his string bass at the Fall Concert.



Senior Elton Gumbel catches up.



The pep rallies provided many laughs.



Jay Reardon, Class of '76, excelled at the '75 and '76 track State Championships.

riving for Success



Photo by Luke Mares

Photo by John Kogler

We are still the dominant power in sports in the city, and have consistently made our mark on the entire state. Nine of our sports

teams competed in postseason play, six of them ending up in the Final Four. The Cross-Country team went to Sectionals for the first time since 1990, and the 3200-meter relay team placed fifth at State. Soccer, golf and tennis continued their state dominance. Soccer won a second consecutive State Title, golf took a third straight, and tennis won its fifth in as many years.

Our amazing speech and debate teams once again represented the school well with tremendous performances at competitions throughout the state. A record eight debator's qualified for nationals. At the National Tournament in Portland in June, the squad placed in the top 12 out of more than 300 schools in three events.

The drama department thrilled standing-room-only audiences with their incredible performances of *Twelfth Night* and *Children of Eden*.



Juniors show off their rings



John Mitchell plays guitar.

Photo by Keri Crowe



Mr. Staihr and Matt Scott

Photo by Jake Hildebrand

Open to Growth

Being steadfast doesn't mean disdaining change however. Look around at the incredible facilities we have. These new surroundings are quickly moving us forward into a new age. The renovated building instills more pride, and draws more students than ever before.

Some change doesn't come so easily, however, and we come to realize this through the painful loss of loved ones. We note with sadness the passing of Mr. Thomas Murphy, our Principal, Mr. Buddy Worth, our Business teacher, and Mrs. Rose Teicher and Mr. John J. Sullivan, our friends.

But through these tragic passings the community united and supported one another in mourning, while celebrating the lives of these great friends of Rockhurst.

Change came, and will continue to come, such as when Mr. Larry Ruby took over as Acting Principal and helped us to move on, and now the new principal, Mr. David Laughlin from Creighton Preparatory High School, comes to join us. New faces don't mean that we have forgotten the old ones, but that we move on and allow for a new beginnings.

Whether we are frail and worn, or vivid and rejuvenated, people continually keep Rockhurst High School strong and alive.

Students, alumni, parents and teachers, make us the Rock of Ages. *Opening copy by Ed Bessenbacher*

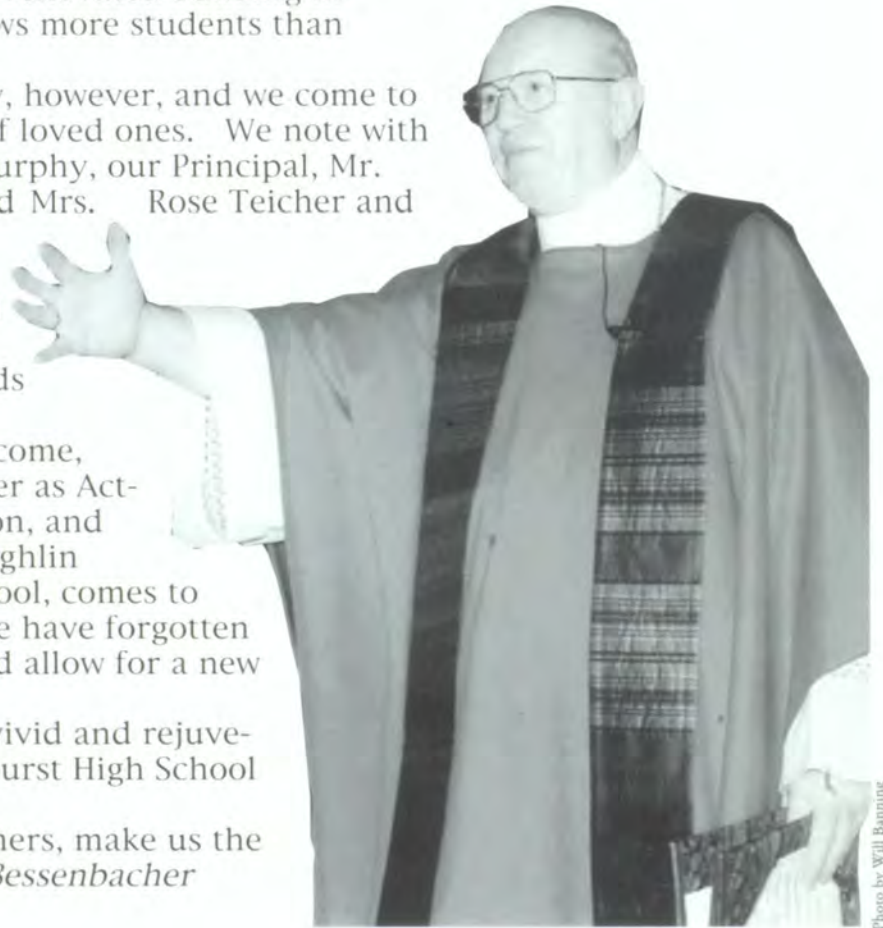


Photo by Will Banning



First Class at Rockhurst

Photo by Trevor Duval



Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J., shakes hands with new Principal Mr. David Laughlin from Creighton Preparatory High School. The first class at RHS poses in 1913, as the Hawklet pumps up the crowd. Bishop Raymond Boland visited early in the year and spoke to the student body at the Mass of the Holy Spirit.

The Martyrs Mosaic

A unique mosaic was designed and created by RHS art instructor Connie Greany with the collaborative efforts of her students. It was inspired by the 1989 murder of six Jesuit priests and two women in El Salvador. The idea evolved into a major spiritual response through prayer, research, volunteers, and developed into a unique art form, taking nearly a decade for completion.

A few Rockhurst students in Mrs. Greany's clay classes had completed the required assignments and were asking to do some extra work so Mrs. Greany explained her idea for the mural. Gradually more students, including those involved in the Visual Arts Club, became involved in the project. As one class would end, another would begin, and continue the work.

The 3-D shapes that represent the six Jesuits and the two women slain, radiate around the central 'IHS' form. Small broken clay works are used as a sign of our broken lives that, when

combined, give glory to God. The surrounding circle represents God, infinity, the life cycle and is decorated with words describing St. Ignatius, Jesuit philosophy and the faithful.

The four arms of the cross display the seal of RHS, the world map marking the influence of the Jesuits, the communion cup and host, and the bold initials 'RHS' represent the pride the students have for this community. The cross represents the sacrifice of our lives for the lives of others, as Jesus gave his life for us.





Mr. Murphy hanging out with students Jim Root, Kevin Thomas, John Chagoyan, Mike Ensminger and Brett Coppage.



Principal's death shakes up Rockhurst community

Mr. Murphy

Over the last five years Rockhurst High School has been "richly blessed to have for its principal one of the most sought after educators within the Jesuit school system, Mr. Thomas Murphy. His talents were enormous. He knew people," said Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J., Rockhurst High School President. "He appreciated them, loved them, and, oh yes, he challenged them."

On Tuesday, December 28, Mr. Murphy, Rockhurst Principal for nearly five years, passed away at the age of 42 due to complications of acute pneumonia. His death was a shock to the Rockhurst community.

Mr. Murphy was born and raised in San Francisco, and attended St. Ignatius Prep and the University of San Francisco, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Biology. He was deeply devoted to his high school alma mater, and returned as a science teacher and baseball coach, later becoming Science Department Chairman, and eventually Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs.

"Tommy always had a deep spirituality," said Rev. Mario Prietto S.J., who had been principal when Mr. Murphy attended St. Ignatius Prep, and had been his mentor in education. "He came from a strong Irish Catholic faith and his years with the Jesuits as a student helped to channel, challenge, expand, and focus his wonderful gifts and talents. I think this is one of the reasons he came back to the Jesuits as an educator," he said.

In 1994 Mr. Murphy moved to Kansas City with his wife Lisa to assume the job as principal of RHS.

"I remember interviewing him at his first faculty brunch. You could tell he was very nervous, but at the same time he was very much in charge of himself," remarked Mr. David Alvey, Dean of Students.

"Tom articulated very clearly the mission of Rockhurst. In everything he did he would always have an incredibly organized structure which has helped to develop a great faculty over the years," said Mr. Michael Heringer, Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs.

No matter how much professional success Mr. Murphy attained, his true contribution to the Rockhurst community was in the manner in which he affected lives.

"I'll always remember how Mr. Murphy would stand in the halls and greet students. He was a visible presence for us, and was truly interested in being our friend," senior Brandon Shelby remarked.

"Please remember that we mourn not Tom's loss, for he has gained the Kingdom of God," said Mrs. Murphy at his memorial service. "Instead, we mourn for our loss. But please remember that we have not lost him. Tom touched each and every one of us. We carry with us a piece of him. As long as we remember him, he will live on."

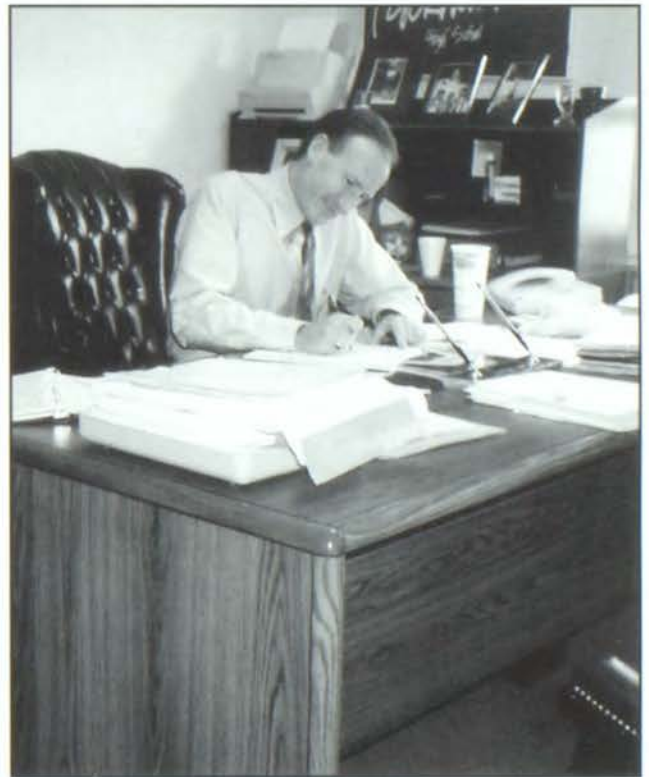
Story by Nick Shuler

(Some quotes courtesy of the *Prep News*.)



Photo by Lance Smolgras

Mr. Tom Murphy and his wife Lisa moved to Kansas City in 1995. Mr. Murphy commanded the attention of an audience at a pep rally. The principal had great organizational skills according to those who knew him.



Community mourns loss of Rose Teicher and John Sullivan

Rockhurst
loses
friends
and
benefactors

Benefactors Mrs. Rose Sarli Teicher and Mr. John J. Sullivan, Jr. left behind a legacy of generosity to Rockhurst when they passed away late in the summer of 1999. Mrs. Teicher was responsible for the construction of the Rose Theater and was instrumental in launching the current capital campaign. Mr. Sullivan funded the new Laura and John J. Sullivan, Sr. Chapel of the Sacred Heart in honor of his parents.


In her childhood, Mrs. Teicher did not have the benefits of a Catholic high school education. According to Laurence Freeman, Executive Director of Alumni Affairs, she regretted the lost opportunity and strove to make the privilege of Catholic education available to young people today. It was her dream to create in Rockhurst the quality teaching institution she wished she had attended.

In the early 1900s, Mrs. Teicher's father, Mr. Rocco Sarli, started a pasta business called the Kansas City Macaroni and Importing Company. At his retirement, Mrs. Teicher took over the business and later sold it to Hershey in the late '70s. It is now known as American Beauty Macaroni, and the rose on the packages is the same as the rose on the RHS logo, honoring Mrs. Teicher. The windfall from this transaction provided the capital for her philanthropy. In 1989, she spoke with Reverend Thomas Cummings, S.J., about helping showcase the fine arts at Rockhurst High School. She commissioned a theater to be built for the drama department. In recent years, she has been responsible for the remodeling of the fine arts facilities.


Mr. Sullivan, a Rockhurst alumnus (Class of 1935), became a successful financier. He turned his \$8000 purchase of the Roland Park State Bank into a \$380 million estate. According to Mr. Freeman, Mr. Sullivan was thought of as "the last friendly banker left, a champion of small businesses." Mr. Sullivan believed that everything he was and everything he had achieved could be attributed to the influence of his parents. The Laura and John J. Sullivan, Sr. Chapel of the Sacred Heart is a tangible expression of his gratitude for the wisdom, love and guidance of his parents.

"We enjoyed the love, care and generosity of Rose and John for many years," said Reverend Thomas Pesci, S.J., president. "They will be dearly missed."

According to Mr. Freeman, the endowments to Rockhurst from these individuals will keep them ever present. The donations and accomplishments of Mrs. Teicher and Mr. Sullivan truly exemplify the magis, which says that "Much is expected of those who have been given much." Story by Nick Shuler



Mrs. Rose Sarli Teicher joined Rev. Thomas Pesci, S.J., Rockhurst High School president and Mr. Thomas Weiford at the Rededication Ceremonies in the Fall of 1998.



Mrs. Rose Teicher's generous donation helped build the Rose Theater in 1990. Extensive seating modifications were made as part of the overall campus renovations in 1998.

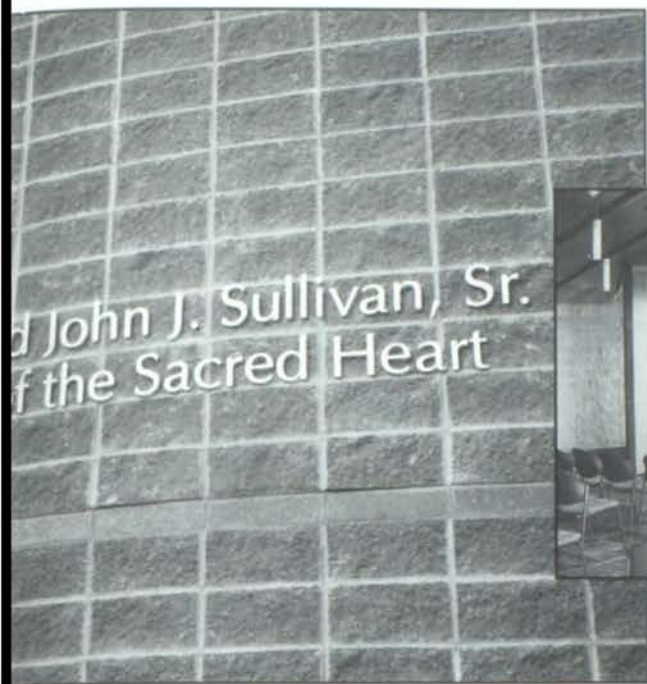


Photo by Nick Shuler

The Chapel of the Sacred Heart was made possible through the generosity of Mr. John J. Sullivan, in memory of his parents John and Laura.



Rev. Thomas Pesci, S.J., President of Rockhurst High School, bestows the President's Medal upon Mr. John J. Sullivan at Rededication Ceremonies held in the Fall of 1998. Mr. Sullivan was a loyal and active alum of Rockhurst High School from the time he graduated with the Class of 1935.



Photo by Jake Hildebrand

Freshmen enjoy themselves at the first social event of their high school life, the Blue/White mixer. Students at the Rock are widely known as rabid fans.



Fr. Gary Menard S.J., Fr. David Suwalsky, S.J., and Fr. Chris Pinne, S.J., celebrate the Eucharist on Ash Wednesday, one of many liturgies scheduled throughout the year. Seniors pick up roses to distribute to their mothers at the Mom Prom where attendance was the highest ever.



Students sing backup for nationally known singer Marilyn Maye. Nearly 50 students participated in the benefit concert, the first in the "Bridging the Gap" series. Opposite page: Senior Richard Hwang wails on the saxophone; sophomore Charles Bruscato prepares to turn on the jets; senior Joe Burns dances with his mother at Mom Prom, and junior Ian Merrigan tells a story at the Irish Festival.

Photo by Jesse White

Photo by Dan Herzer



Photo by Josh Polinelli

Student Life

Diversity is very evident in student life here. So many different people.

So many different events. Students make life at RHS exciting and fun.

They participate as fans at games in support of the sports teams. In the 1999-2000 school year, they impacted the entire city with their support. Remember the provocative articles written by reporter Ivan Carter about our football fans?

The *Kansas City Star* recognized RHS cheering sections twice during the year, once, during basketball season, calling it the best in the city.

But that is not all that the student body involves itself in. There's Homecoming, Rockfest, and Fine Arts Day to name just a very few.

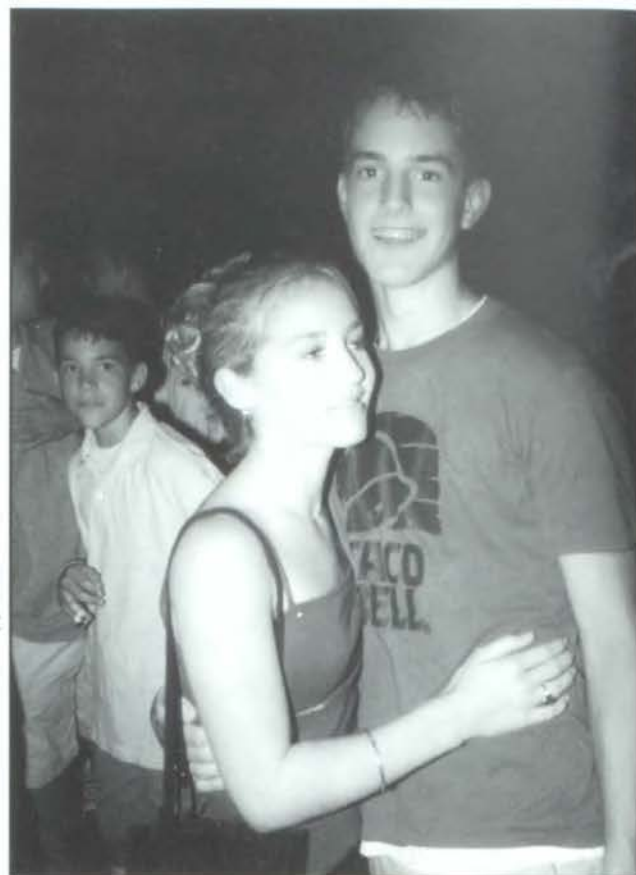
“So then, anyone who hears these words of mine and acts accordingly...”

People like teachers and priests also contribute to life with their uniqueness and devotion. There's great life outside of Rockhurst, of course, but a very satisfying one within.



Photo by Jake Hildebrand

Sophomore Jim Becker standing out in a crowd, which included over 1000 people in attendance that night. Freshman Kevin Rudolph takes a break from dancing with his friend.



Mixer provides freshmen with first social

Blue-White Mixer

The annual Blue/White mixer took place on August 27, and despite taking a one-year absence, was a record-setting success according to Mr. Michael Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs.

"We had record numbers, the facilities were pressed," said Mr. Heringer. Approximately 1,100 people attended the first social event of the new school year.

"What we try to do with this event is get freshman started off right with a social event outside of the classroom. It's the first back-to-school dance and it really sets the tone for the rest of the year," Mr. Heringer commented.

It is also a test to see how the Student Government Association works together early on.

"It's the first test for the SGA on whether they can pull (the mixer) together or not. I was really impressed by the leadership we had," stated Mr. Heringer. Story by Eddie Bessenbacher



Photo by Jake Hildebrand



Tony Vontz and Bret Springs give their very best Backstreet Boys impersonation. The lip sync competition has become a tradition at the Blue/White mixer.

Photo by Jake Hildebrand



Freshmen enjoy a slow dance at the first social event of the year. Tyler True talks with a fellow party-goer. Blue/White gives freshmen a chance to meet new people.



Photo by Jake Hildebrand



Bret Springs and Ali Basore share a laugh at the Homecoming Mass.

Photo by Pat O'Brien

Spirit of Mardi Gras highlights annual activities

Homecoming

Since Rockhurst was established, one of the main events each year has been the Homecoming dance. "It's a time for all students, past or present, to renew their pride and recall their roots," said Mr. Mike Heringer.

This year was one of the best ever according to attendance records. Student Body President Jack Bondon remarked, "There were more people here this year than ever before. It was packed."

The student government and class representatives worked hard to select a theme and at the last minute they finally found one that everyone could agree on. The Mardi Gras feeling put everyone in a jovial mood.

"It was bigger and better," remarked Mr. Heringer.

There were better decorations as well as more lights and louder music. They even had a spectacular fountain in the middle of the commons and mardi gras beads for everyone to take home as souvenirs.

The cost of tickets this year was \$25. "We worked hard not to raise the price of tickets and still give you guys the best," commented Mr. Heringer. "Free soft drinks were even provided to everyone, whereas last year all we could do was give out water."

Even though all of these remarkable aspects were provided and ticket prices remained the same the student government still was able to raise nearly \$5,000. The crowning of senior Joe Orscheln and his date Notre Dame De Sion Senior Kate Daly completed the night's events and helped to make Homecoming a memorable experience for everyone. Story by Ryan Fagan



Photo by Mike Strain

Ryan Cesla gets a surprise kiss from his mom at the pep rally during Homecoming week. The assembly allowed the students to get to know the candidates better, and provided some entertainment.

The Homecoming Court included Matt Darby, Jeff Tanner, Katie Grey, Lisa Gangel, Shannon Howard, Ryan Cesla, Ali Basore, Bret Springs, Joe Orscheln, and Queen Kate Daly.



Photo by Bob Stokes

Senior Joe Burns escorts Ali Basore in the parade at halftime of the homecoming football game.

Photo by Dave Winget

Ali Basore prepares to correctly answer Mr. Chris Elmore's question at the pep rally. The Hawklet mascot enjoys a ride at halftime of the Homecoming football game.



Photo by Mike Strain



Photo by Bob Stokes



Photo by Bob Stokes

Kate Daly receives hugs after being crowned Homecoming Queen.

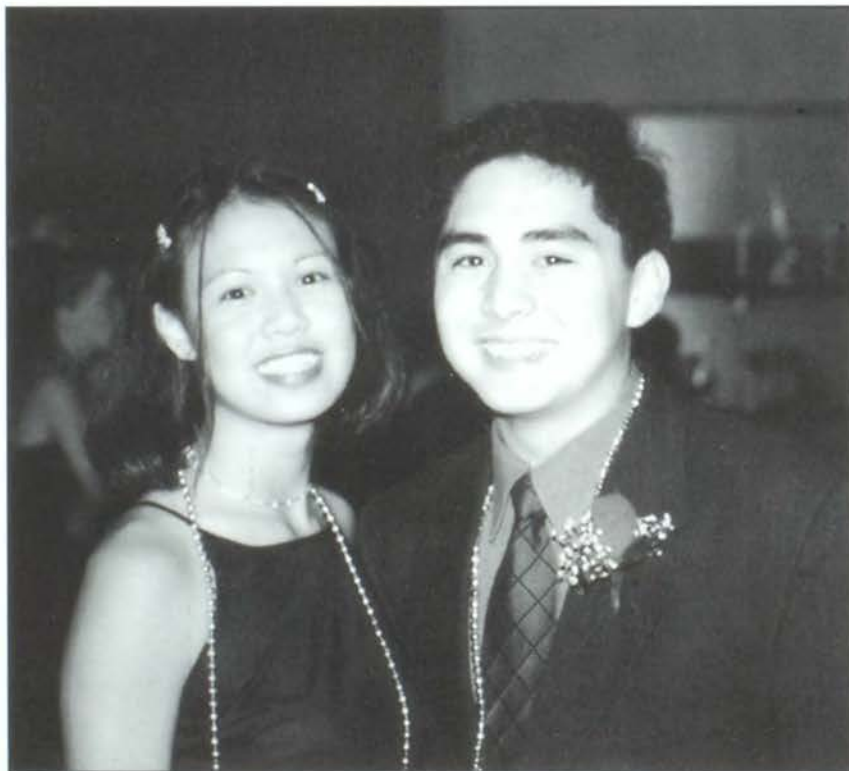


Photo by Bob Stokes

Ryan Cesla and Shannon Howard relax during the Homecoming Mass. Carlo Javillonar and his date show their pearly whites. Mark Molner and his date enjoy the Mardi Gras atmosphere at the dance.



Photo by Bob Stokes



The Homecoming court stands in front of the football crowd during halftime with their parents. The royal couple of Joe Orscheln and Kate Daly relax together.



Kate Daly crowned Queen of the Mardi Gras

Homecoming



Photo by Bob Stokes



Photo by Bob Stokes

A full house witnessed the football team defeat Garden City 34-6. A very large crowd also filled the student commons and gymnasium for the homecoming dance.



The Men's Choir reaches out to the audience during the finale of the Marilyn Maye Concert.

Roger Barbieri, RHS Class of 1995, came back from college at Seton Hall University to perform and practice with Marilyn Maye.

Concert series premier kicks off year in style

Marilyn Maye

Miss Marilyn Maye, renowned jazz singer, joined members of the Rockhurst High School Men's Choir in an early September fundraising concert in the Rose Theater in front of alumni, current families, and Miss Maye's fans.

Having performed a record 76 times on Johnny Carson's Tonight Show, Miss Maye provided the celebrity draw that the fundraising concert needed. The idea for such an event, which netted more than \$30,000, was conceived by Mrs. Judie Scanlon, RHS Special Activities Coordinator. Although the concert was not a substitute for the Sale-O-Rama, it did help to provide a substantial amount of money for the operational budget of the school.

"Not only did the concert help to bridge Rockhurst's financial gap, but it was also a great way to showcase the Rose Theater, said Mrs. Scanlon.

Miss Maye spent many hours rehearsing with the choir. In the weeks preceding the concert she would wake up at 5 a.m. so that her voice was

ready by her 8 a.m. practice time. Senior Jack Bondon and alumnus Roger Barbieri (Class of '97) were individually picked by Miss Maye to sing duets with her. In Bondon's case it was his performance in *The Music Man* last year that led to his selection. Barbieri had performed as a child with Miss Maye and she had expressed a desire to reenact their routine.

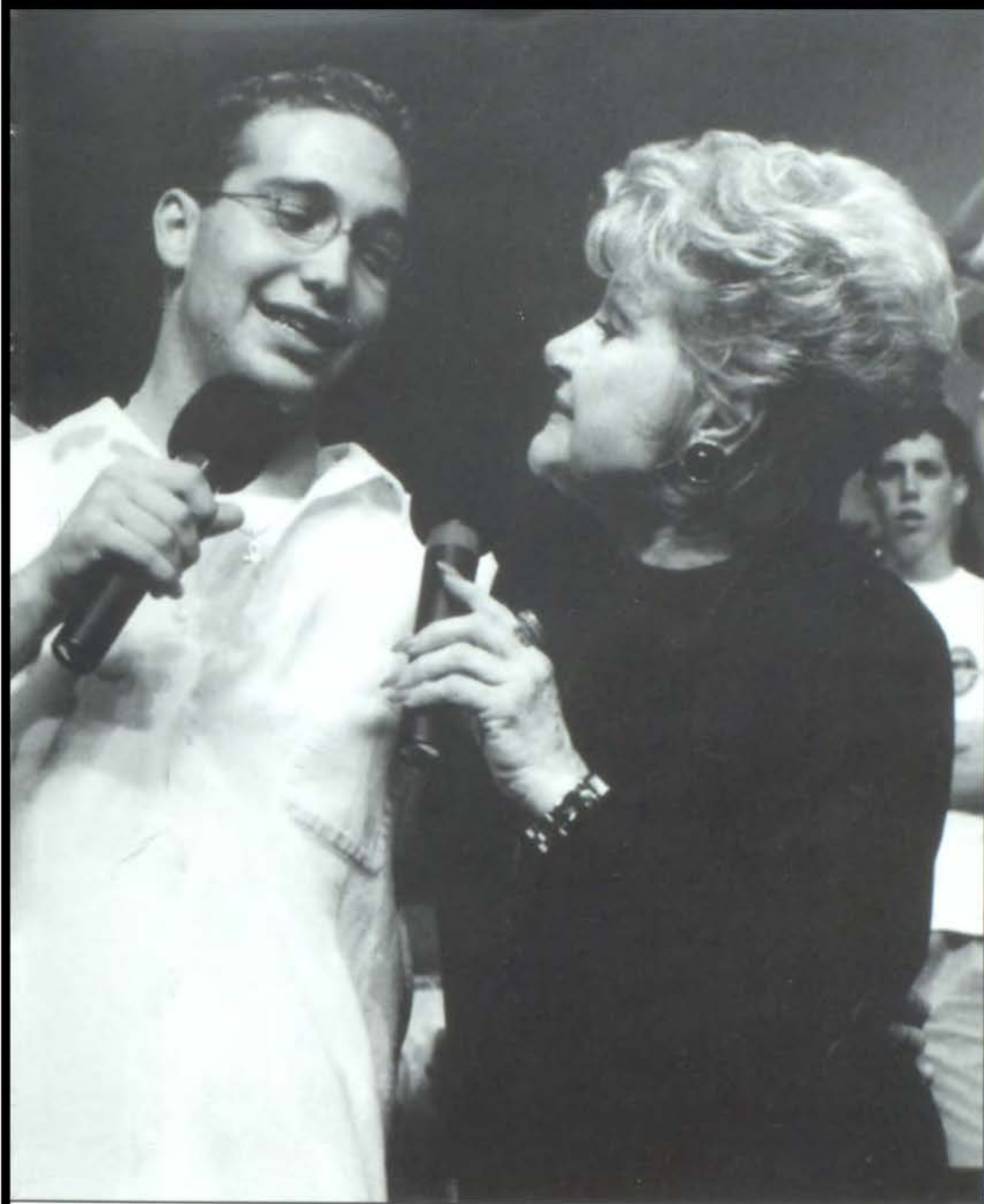
A large part of the concert's success was due to the underwriting it received. From the patrons' parties to the tuxedos, everything was donated either by alumni or local businesses.

"The underwriting accounted for nearly \$20,000 of the total \$30,000 earned," according to Mrs. Scanlon. "The only true expenses were Miss Maye's fee, postage for flyers and an airline ticket fee," she said.

The success of the event has led to an idea for more concerts.

"It is my hope that this type of concert and other similar events become a yearly event at Rockhurst," Mrs. Scanlon said.

Story by Sean McLaughlin



Miss Marilyn Maye practiced every day during first hour with the Men's Choir. Miss Maye captivated the audience with many familiar musical standards.



Photo by Joe Grimaldi

Photo by Brandon D. Shelby



Jack Bondon performed a duet with the nationally known singer.

Brian Dreis is the first of the members of the Men's Choir to thank Marilyn Maye and present her with a rose in appreciation for her performance.





Photo by Luke Maese

Theology teacher Mr. John Morris takes on lead guitar and vocals in his duet with Eddie Delehunt.



Top: The O'Riada step dancers strut their stuff after weeks of practice and rehearsal.



Concert attracts large crowd and quality performers

Irish Concert

Irish performers came together for the second in the Bridging the Gap Concert Series. It was a variety show that had something for everyone.

"We did not know what to expect, but the concert was a great success," said Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Special Activities Coordinator.

The concert attracted 750 people for the one evening performance and raised about \$12,000 for the school's Operational Budget. The concert was dedicated to the memory of Mr. Thomas Murphy.

Master of Ceremonies Micheal Mahoney from KMBC TV introduced the performers who included RHS faculty member John Morris, and Ireland natives Eddie Delahunt and Andrew Towley as singers. Dorothy May played the bag pipes and RHS junior Ian Merrigan told Irish stories. The Rockhurst Orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Michael Kern, performed as did the O'Riada step dancers.

"The Orchestra was a surprise the audience loved," said Mrs. Scanlon. Story by John Walz



Malarkey pleads for money for his bail. This added to the atmosphere at the event. The audience gives the step dancer's performance a warm reception.



Photo by Jake Hildebrand

Rocks of All Ages at Spectacular

Annual Auction

The 28th annual Spectacular Auction was truly a "Rock of All Ages" as approximately 550 people crowded the Barry Commons and gym. The event, chaired by Mr. and Mrs. David Orscheln, Mr. and Mrs. Tim Burke, and Mr. and Mrs. Dan Welsh, exceeded last year's gross earnings by raising over \$500,000, which is used for financial aid and operational costs.

"This money goes a long way towards improving the school from an operational standpoint, as well as funding financial aid and depreciation costs," said Mr. Larry Freeman, Executive Director of Development.

The emcee was Larry Moore and the auctioneer was Mr. George Nigro, who both have dedicated 25 and 5 years of service to the auction respectively. Pictures of older Rockhurst classes adorned the walls, invitations, and catalog covers. Some of the highlighted items at the auction were a father-son golf trip to the British Isles, a \$17,000 diamond bracelet, a trip to Paris, and several autographed items, including a Mark McGwire bat and ball. One of the annual Spectacular favorites was a needlepoint by Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J., President, entitled "Millennium Madonna"

"Fr. Pesci's needlepoints are simply beautiful. They always attract a lot of attention and raise a lot of money because they are priceless," said Mr. Freeman.

At the end of the night, the Orscheln family walked away with the high prize item, the 2000 Toyota Celica donated by Molle Toyota.

Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Special Activities Coordinator, summed up the auction saying, "It's always amazing how generous the people are. Everyone who was involved were truly focused on the whole purpose of the auction."

Story by Andrew Zender



Mr. Larry Moore, Channel 9 News Anchorman, served as Master of Ceremonies.



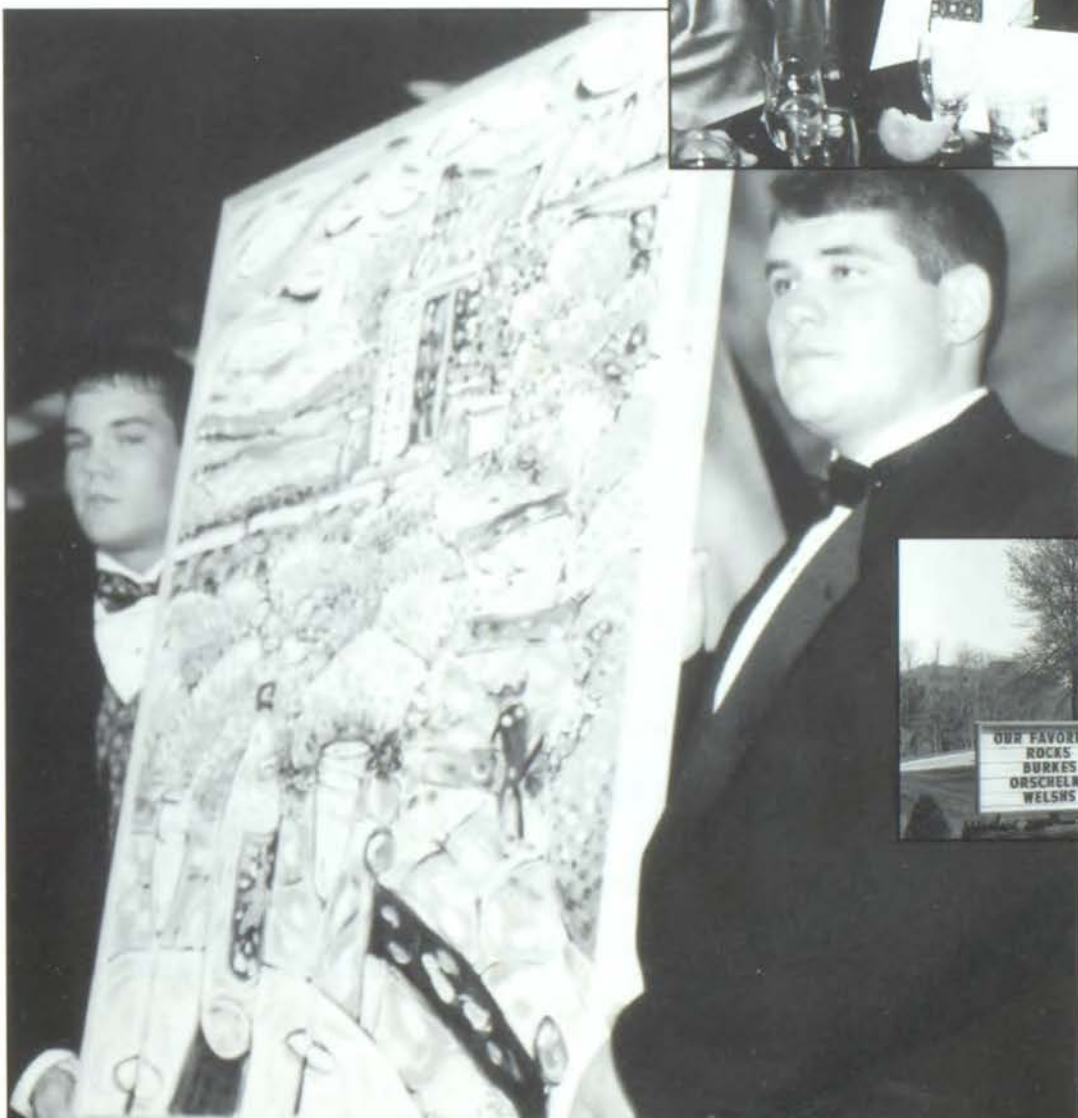
Mr. Tom Norman and greeters Elton Gumbel, Eric Vossman, Brian Kelly, Kiel Tompkins and Mark McNeal await for guests to arrive for the auction.



Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J., President of Rockhurst High School, relied on Auction Chairpersons Dan and Mary Ann Welsh, Tim and Sherri Burke, and Suzanne and David Orscheln to be his "rocks" of the Spectacular.



Mr. and Mrs. James Olson and former auction chairperson Sally Batz pose after spirited bidding. Eddie Welsh and Matt McCullough display a valuable work of art.





The dancers of El Grupo Atotonilco provided entertainment for the festivities.

Festival showcases Rockhurst diversity

Heritage Festival

The 10th annual Rockhurst Heritage Festival was once again an appetizing, entertaining, and enlightening event that satisfied the expectations of RHS students, parents, and faculty.

"The Heritage Festival is definitely worth the six dollars. I left the school with a full stomach and a memorable afternoon," commented senior Steve Phelps.

The event, put together by Mrs. Chely Scarbrough consisted of ethnic food, music, and dancing, and netted approximately \$1200 profit for the school. However, profit is not the driving motive behind the Heritage Festival. According Mrs. Judie Scanlon, Special Activities Coordinator, "The event is not intended to be a fundraiser. It is put on to celebrate the diversity that we have here at Rockhurst."

The different cultures that were represented at the event included Asian, African-American, French, German, Irish, Italian, Latino, and Croatian.

"The event gives you an international flavor of many different cultures," said senior Lucas Bauers.

Entertainment was provided by the O' Riada Irish Dancers and El Grupo Atotonilco, a Hispanic dance group. Music was provided by the Rockhurst Jazz Band and the Variety Pack.

The event would not have been possible if it had not been for the help of RHS parents and faculty. Mrs. Jean DiSalvo, who headed the Italian booth, described it as "a way that we can share our diverse culture with the Rockhurst Community."

The Heritage Festival will be a little bit different next year, according to Mrs. Scanlon, with the planned addition of a craft and jewelry sale in the student commons. Story by Roland Sabates

Junior Jarrett Devereaux, and sophomores Haywood Jackson, and Eric Lowe at work at the African-American booth.



Junior Luke Dlabal serves up pasta from the Italian booth.



Members of El Grupo Atotonilco display Hispanic festive dress and dancing. A mother serves up warm rice from the Hispanic booth.



Photo by Daniel Hervey



Mothers discuss cuisine at the Irish booth. Volunteer help is very important in making the festival the success it is.

Rory Donnelly takes a break with one of his new acquaintances.



Mr. Ryan Bailey chases down the soccer ball in a game with local children.

Visit to missions increases awareness of social issues

Honduras Trip

For the seventh year in a row, Fr. Chris Pinne, S.J., led a group of four seniors, one sophomore, and one teacher to Honduras. Instead of a relaxing vacation on the beach, these men believed that a week helping others would offer a greater experience.

Seniors Chris Brown, Matt Darby, Rory Donnelly, and Tim Wientzen, sophomore Stephen Reintjes and math instructor Mr. Ryan Bailey, spent their Spring Break assisting the Jesuit Missions in the small Central American country.

On Friday, March 10, the group arrived in Honduras where they were met with a sight of the world that many had never witnessed. Both the culture and the standard of living were radically different from their lives in Kansas City.

"The experience was very humbling," said

Brown, "and it was amazing to be able to help these people."

New this year was the move of the Jesuit missionaries from El Negrito to Jacone.

"This move really showed how much the Jesuits meant to the people in the surrounding areas," remarked Fr. Pinne, who was going for the last time as a Rockhurst faculty member.

Besides the daily activities of helping neighboring communities, the trip included a four hour truck ride, a one hour boat ride, and a 'Maniacal' wedding.

The group was also impressed by extreme generosity of the people.

"We would eat huge dinners prepared by the Hondurans and they would settle for the leftovers," said Darby. Story by Sean McLaughlin



Several students spent their spring break in Honduras helping the Jesuit Mission. They included Tim Wientzen, Matt Darby, Chris Brown, Stephen Reintjes, Mr. Ryan Bailey, Rory Donnelly, Mr. Matt Maghale, and Fr. Patricio Wade, S.J. who is holding a little girl of the village.



Chris Brown and one of the many persons he met on the eye-opening trip. Fr. Pinne takes a look at the surrounding countryside on the way to a wedding celebration. Rockhurst students found a deeper meaning for Spring Break.

Will Banning and his buddy are all smiles.

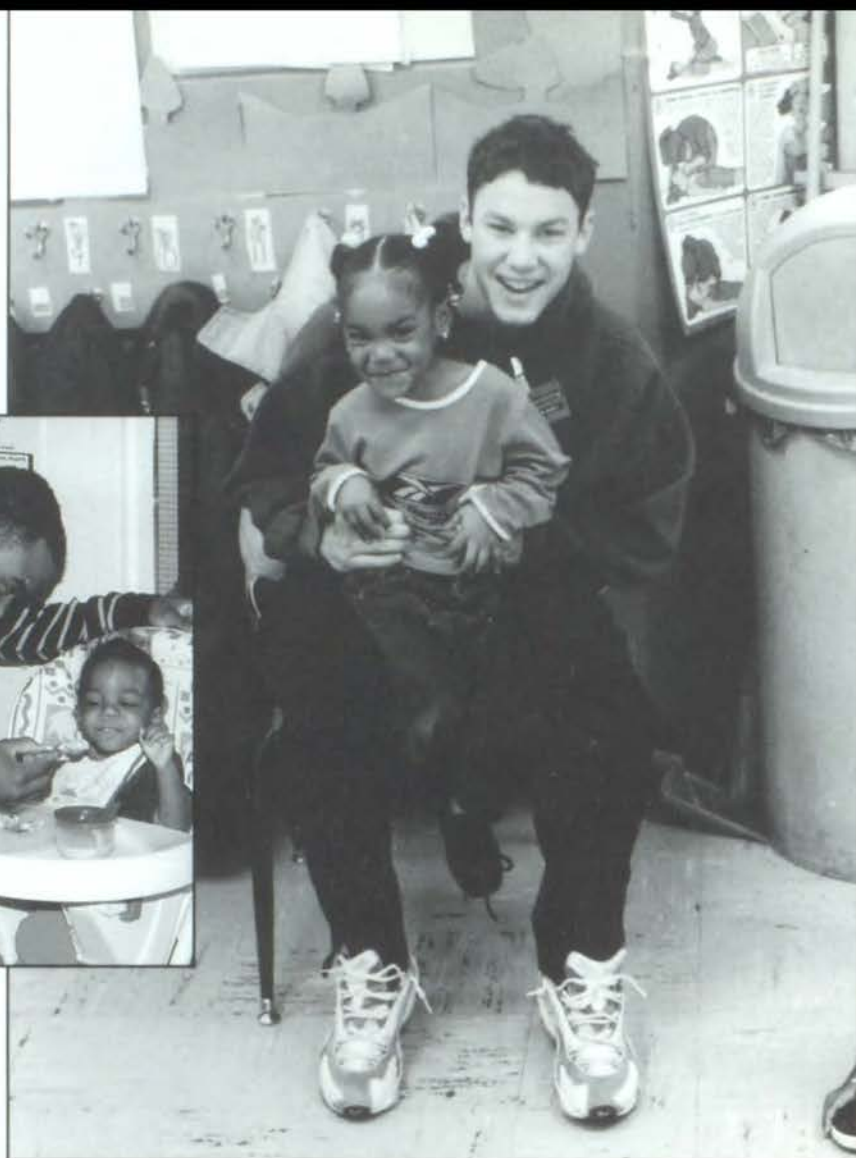


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Darus Dixon helps a small child eat his lunch at his senior serve location.



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Bret Springs at play at a day-care center. Brad Reed takes time to share a hug. Joe Orscheln with his arms full.



Tradition continues

Senior Service

For the 28th year, Rockhurst seniors repaid the community by volunteering to work at over 60 agencies, including day care centers, nursing homes, and grade schools.

"Working with these people was possibly the highlight of my high school career," stated Paul Mattione. "The experience opened up my eyes to the reality that other people face every day."

Directed by Mr. Frank Griffin and by Mr. William Munninghoff, the seniors were required to complete over 90 hours of community service during three weeks in January. They all were excused from their classes to dedicate their days working with less fortunate people.

"I think the service to the community gave our seniors a sense of appreciation for their talents," stated Mr. Griffin.

The RHS Senior Service Project was inspired by Fr. Pedro Arrupe, S.J. in who was head of all Jesuit schools when the project began in 1972. Fr. Arrupe developed this program to give the senior class a chance to experience the realities outside of school.

"Our students learned important things about life from the people whom they served," said Mr. Munninghoff.

The experiences varied greatly for seniors. Bob Stokes and Mark Molner worked with troubled pre-teens at Marillac Center, an organization dealing with children who had behavioral difficulties.

"I was amazed when I first arrived at Marillac. You could tell that the people there had physical problems. Despite initial problems, they were all great kids to work with," Mark stated. Mrs. Janet Soltys, a 5th through 8th grade teacher at Marillac center supervised Stokes and Molner.

"We wait all year for the Rockhurst seniors to come, because they have such a positive impact on the children," said Mrs. Soltys.

Rich Robinson worked with handicapped high school children in the Shawnee Mission District Schools. "It was an eye opening experience," he said. "The more you put into it, the more you get out of it."

The success of the Service Program continued at Don Bosco center, where David Hayob assisted. He worked with immigrants, helping to set them up in the United States as new members of society.

"Seeing all the refugees come in with nothing except the will to survive was a major eye-opener," Hayob stated. "It made me appreciate all the gifts that God has bestowed upon me. The experience really opened my eyes to the struggle of the poor." Story by Yearbook Staff Seniors

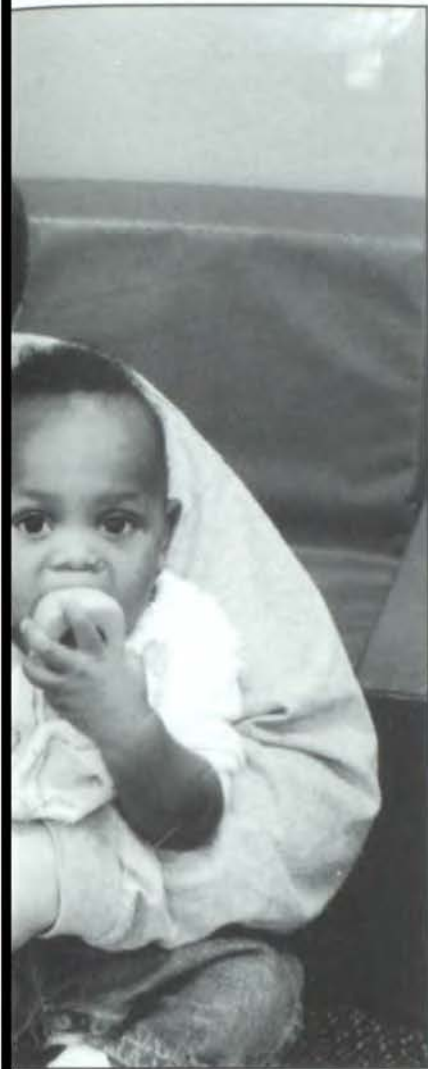


Photo by Collin Koranda

Eddie Welsh gives a little one a bear hug during his service project.



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A Benedictine monk showcases the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception at Conception Abbey for a group of juniors on retreat.



Photo by Jerry Miller

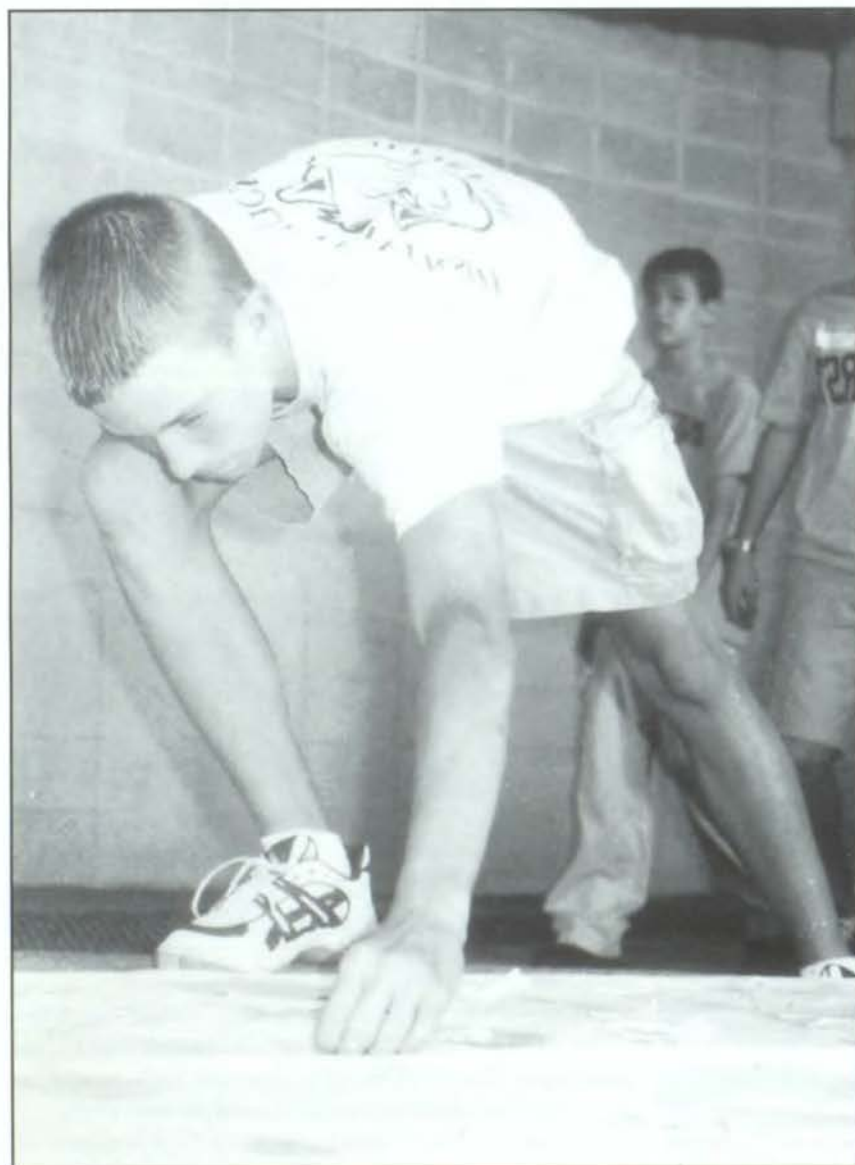




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Freshman Nick Kinney, senior Mike Strain, and Father Gary Menard, S.J., take a minute to relax at the Freshman Retreat. Sophomores Pat Kies, Sean McClusky, and Marlon Butler muscle up to help their classmate over the wall at Adventure Woods. Sophomores Conor Klamann, Charles Gant, and Kevin Amey attempt to maintain their balance at one of the many obstacles at Adventure Woods.



Mr. Tom Norman and the juniors who went on the first retreat of the year to Conception Abbey.

R etreats offer a break from the routine

An important part of the Ignatian experience is the opportunity to get away from the normal routine and reflect. This year, the main focus of the retreats was to have students examine attitudes toward God, others, and themselves.

At the Freshman retreat, Senior Brothers collaborated with faculty to get freshman acquainted with the school and each other by way of a five station game held in the Barry Commons.

Sophomores and faculty got down and dirty at Adventure Woods where they learned about teamwork and became more familiar with the students they had known since they were freshmen.

Juniors went on their retreats in several groups. The first went to Conception Abbey and the rest went to Savior of the World. The main focus of the Junior retreat was to gain a new outlook and learn more about themselves.

Seniors and a few juniors went on the famed Kairos to better themselves, but little can be written due to the privacy of the retreat. Story by Jeremy Garton

Retreats



Photo by Jerry Miller

Father Thomas Pesci, SJ: The man behind the Rockhurst renaissance

Jesuits



Father Pesci offers mass in the John J. Sullivan Chapel of the Sacred Heart.

Rev. Thomas A. Pesci, S.J. came to Rockhurst High School as president in 1993 and became the driving force to obtain sufficient funds to virtually rebuild the RHS facilities.

The appointment happened very quickly. In the span of two weeks Fr. Pesci learned of the presidential opening, was sent to RHS from the Maryland Province, and became the unanimous choice for RHS president. The Maryland Provincial, knowing Fr. Pesci was the perfect fit for RHS, told him to take the job despite Fr. Pesci's candidacy for president of Jesuit schools back east. Fr. Pesci has brought more of the Ignatian vision to RHS through art, music, diversity, facilities, and the Kairos retreat program. "I don't want us to be followers," Pesci says. "I want us to be pacesetters."

Through the talents and work of Fr. Pesci, RHS can boast of having state of the art facilities. He raised \$13.2 million from benefactors who gave their money to the "vision" of RHS education. Fr. Pesci nurtured relationships with now-deceased benefactors Mrs. Rose Teicher and Mr. John Sullivan, Jr. who gave RHS the Rose Theatre and Sacred Heart Chapel. Fr. Pesci is satisfied with his efforts on behalf of new facilities, but commented "sometimes I would rather be teaching Latin and interacting with students day to day in the classroom."

Fr. Pesci grew up in Pennsylvania, the oldest of five children and attended St. Joseph's Preparatory School in Philadelphia, PA. He was impressed by the Jesuit Scholastics at St. Joe's who impacted his decision to become a Jesuit. Fr. Pesci studied at College of the Holy Cross, Fordham University, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Weston School of Theology before being ordained in 1979. He worked in the Maryland Province as a teacher, chaplain, and vocations director and is especially proud of "The Care Walk," an outreach program to the homeless, which he co-founded in Society Hill, Philadelphia.

Fr. Pesci is happy with the accomplishments of RHS, but has additional goals for the school nonetheless. He wants RHS to have a national and international reputation, finished sporting facilities, more emphasis on endowment, and continued development to make RHS the "place to be." Fr. Pesci would like to make sure the construction is complete and a new president is lined up before he leaves. According to *People* magazine "the Rev. Thomas Pesci, S.J., is not a second-place kind of guy. Neither is the school he presides over as President." Story by John Linhoff

Father Pesci during his homily in a Senior Liturgy.



Jack Barry receives his long anticipated diploma from Father Pesci at Commencement Exercises at the Municipal Auditorium. Seniors listen closely as Father Pesci discusses the magis as part of his sermon.



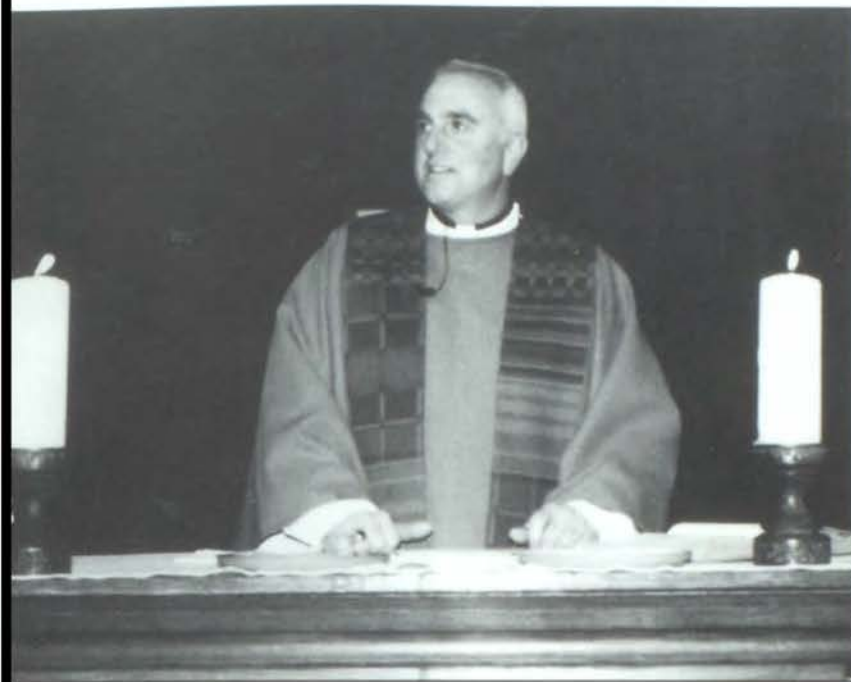


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Father Pesci and Mr. James Olson, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, honor Mrs. Lisa Murphy in memory of her husband Mr. Thomas Murphy, Rockhurst Principal, who passed away in December. Mr. Larry Ruby received recognition and thanks at commencement exercises for his outstanding service as Acting Principal following the death of Mr. Murphy.



Photo by David Winget



Photo by Mike Strain



Photo by Jesse White



Father Pesci thanks former Kansas City Mayor Emmanuel Cleaver for his talk to the faculty during a Spring in-service day. Left: Bishop Raymond Boland and Father Pesci celebrated the Mass of the Holy Spirit, the year's first liturgy.

Father Chris Pinne devoted to contact with all students

Rockhurst is known for its superb Jesuit educators and one with lengthy credentials is Fr. Chris Pinne, S.J.

Director of the Rockhurst mission to Honduras, Fr. Pinne has his hands full with supervising the Alumni Service Corps, teaching Freshman Theology, and steadfastly monitoring the hallways, speaking to everyone he sees every other waking moment.

Fr. Pinne is inspired by Fr. Patricio Wade, S.J., the RHS missionary contact to the Honduras.

"Fr. Patricio Wade was my greatest inspiration for becoming a priest," he exclaimed.

In addition, Fr. Pinne looked up to his uncle, who was a diocesan priest in Brooklyn, and to the Jesuit brothers he met at Savior of the

World High School (Near Easton, Pennsylvania).

Fr. Pinne has a long history in the Jesuit education system, teaching at both DeSmet High School (St. Louis) for nine years, and at Rockhurst twice. His first experience began as a lay teacher at Rockhurst, where he taught from 1974-1981. Following his trek to the priesthood, Fr. Pinne returned to RHS and is currently in his 15th total year at Rockhurst.

"One of my most memorable experiences as a freshman with Fr. Pinne is that when I would really mess up, he would threaten to 'beat me about the head and shoulders often and repeatedly,'" stated senior Tim Laird.

One of Fr. Pinne's favorite sayings is "Find God in all things" a quote from St. Ignatius. Story by Bob Stokes



Photo by Will Baunhing



During Mission Week, Fr. Pinne chats with Mrs. Carol Dougherty and Mr. David Alvey. Father distributes the Eucharist at the Mass of the Holy Spirit. Father Pinne poses with the Spectacular greeters Elton Gumbel, Brian Kelly, Kiel Tomkins, Eric Vossman, Jeff Dobbie and Mark McNeal. Above right: Mark Cummings appreciates being recognized and spoken to by Fr. Pinne.



Photo by Brandon C. Shelby



Fathers Gary Menard, David Suwalsky and Chris Pinne of the Society of Jesus celebrate Mass in the Rose Theater. Father Suwalsky exhorts the students to reach for the stars.

Father Suwalsky's style helps keep the day enjoyable

Since 1995, Father David Suwalsky, S.J., has had an impact on the Rockhurst community. From serving as the director of the Rockhurst Enrichment Program (REP), to teaching history and theology, to being Assistant Principal for Student Affairs, to directing the Work Grant Program, Father Suwalsky has done it all. He has been roaming the halls at Rockhurst since, his first assignment after ordination, quipping and causing smiles, always remembering that "The just man justices" - (Gerard Hopkins, S.J.)

"I could not have found a better place to learn what it means to be a priest," Father Suwalsky said about his stint at Rockhurst.

Father Suwalsky has had a prestigious background. "He is wise beyond his years," remarks the Student Body President Jack Bondon. He received a Bachelor of Arts in History and English from

Rockhurst College in 1983, a Master of Arts and History from Saint Louis University in 1989, a Master of Divinity at Weston Jesuit School of Theology in 1994, and a Master of Theology from Harvard University in 1995. Father Suwalsky grew up in Leavenworth, KS, and graduated from Immaculata High School in 1979. After joining the Society of Jesus in 1983, he was ordained a priest in June, 1995. While in school in Boston, he also was a deacon and religious education instructor for the seventh grade at Saint Catherine of Genoa Roman Catholic Church from 1991 to 1994. From 1987 to 1991, Father Suwalsky was a faculty member and administrator (even a wrestling coach) at Saint Louis University High School. He has also spent summers in Belize, Central America and studied Spanish in Cuernavaca, Mexico.

Rockhurst has helped to inspire Father Suwalsky especially with some of his beliefs.

"I believe that no one should ever see a movie that features monkeys, and that *Tommy Boy* is nearly the best movie ever made, that dice made out of refrigerator boxes are essential to Mission Week, and that Rockhurst is the best place to be in the world!" he said. Story by Ryan Fagan



Photo by Josh Polzinelli



Photo by Bob Stokes



Photo by David Winget

Father Suwalsky was very supportive of the athletic teams and was seen in the stands at many games. Father concelebrated the Mass of the Holy Spirit with Bishop Boland. Right: Father Suwalsky is made up for his role in the spring musical *Children of Eden*.





Sir Andrew Aguecheek looks distraught as Sir Toby Belch explains a cruel plan to him. Antonio, played by Max Ernst, gets tough with Matt Schwenke, playing the part of Sir Andrew Aguecheek.



Jamie Poskin and Andy Gilchrist play the parts of Feste and Sir Toby Belch. The 45-member cast of *Twelfth Night* pose for a picture after rehearsal.



Twelfth Night examines love in relationships

Fall Play

The Rockhurst Drama Department opened the school year with the production of William Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*. Under the direction of Mr. Rodger Cilley, the 45 member cast, including musicians, presented an impressive performance. According to Mr. Cilley, the play contained a balance of lead characters. "Most plays have two or three leads," explained Mr. Cilley. "In *Twelfth Night*, it was hard to determine who the lead of the play was."

In the Shakespeare comedy, twins Viola (Hillary Clemens) and Sebastian (Jonathan Shannon) are separated during a shipwreck. Disguised as a man, Viola becomes Duke Orsino's (Patrick Coughlin) servant. Confusion fills the mood as love mistakenly blooms between Olivia (Kate Roberts) and Sebastian as well as Viola and Orsino. Once disguises were dropped and misunderstandings resolved, Sebastian and Viola are reunited. With Sebastian married to Olivia and Viola engaged to Orsino, the play concludes, though with Olivia's steward Ivolio (Ian Merrigan) pledging revenge for his mistreatments.

"The play is about the different relationships between people in love and how love affects the human behavior," explained senior Kevin McDaniel, who played Olivia's servant Fabian.

Those who attended attend the performance were intrigued by the elaborate set design which featured an actual waterfall. "Mr. Bill Murphy and I wanted to portray a sense of largeness," stated Mr. Cilley. "We wanted to put the Duke up high and have everything float down to the pool. We needed to use the different levels of the theater to accommodate the large cast."

"I chose the play *Twelfth Night* to try to get at least one Shakespearean play for every generation of kids," Mr. Cilley said. According to Mr. Cilley, it had been five years since he directed a Shakespearean play, *Romeo and Juliet*.

"Tough personal decisions had to be made," added Mr. Cilley. "I was trying to find leadership, though it finally came later than I expected." Those leaders included such seniors like Andy Gilchrist, Hillary Clemens, and Kate Roberts.

"We had a lot of rookies who had never done a play before," Mr. Cilley added. "It was a tough challenge, but I thought the kids pulled together strongly to put on a beautiful show." Story by Carlos Cabezas



Feste speaks with Ivolio, Ian Merrigan, as he spends time in a dungeon.



Orsino, played by Patrick Coughlin, threatens Olivia, played by Kate Roberts.



Noah (Matthew Schwenke) reports to God about the progress of the Ark.



Photo by Dave Winget



The cast of *Children of Eden*, Rockhurst's first non-Broadway spring musical. Adam and Eve (Ian Merrigan and Kate Roberts) cuddle and show their affection. Adam is torn between his love of God and his love of Eve.



Photo by Dave Winget



The Snake slithers across the stage, ready to tempt Eve.

Photo by Dave Winger

Spring Musical

Children of Eden utilizes creativity

Rockhurst's Drama Department's spring musical, *Children Of Eden*, was considered by many to be one of Rockhurst's most creative and most successful.

"The play really stretched our creativity, especially when we tried to design a set which included the Garden of Eden, and Noah's ark," said Mr. Rodger Cilley, director.

Production of the musical began in early January and played in late April. The play was a change from Rockhurst's traditional spring musicals in that it was Rockhurst's first non-Broadway show, and was more operatic than most Rockhurst musicals.

"Children of Eden was essentially an opera; about 90% of it was sung. It was a very different style of musical," said Mr. Cilley.

The play which featured junior Ian Merrigan, and Sion senior Kate Roberts, as Adam and Eve, Senior Johnathan Shannon and equity actor Robert Brand was based on scenes from the Bible and portrayed the relationships within families.

"The show is really more about the relationships between people, especially between a father and a son," said Merrigan.

Technical director Mr. Bill Murphy, vocal director Mr. Scott Farthing, music director Mr. Michael Kern, and choreographer Ms. Jeanne Beechwood all assisted Mr. Cilley.

Stage manager Chris Winger, a junior, master electrician David Riffel, deck manager Bradley Reed, and multi-media Coordinators Austin Gilmore and Cooper Sparks, all seniors, provided the technical expertise for the show.

"The tech crew was tremendous. I was especially impressed by Mr. Murphy's amazing creative talents. I have to say this was one of the best sets ever," said Mr. Cilley. The tech crew also created the steep angled stage for the play.

"The raked stage really helped us on this play. We wouldn't have been able to do the scenes we did without it," said Mr. Cilley.

The play also featured the talents of students in the orchestra. "By the end of the performance we were confident enough to know we were as good as the cast," remarked junior Sean Hughes.

"I thoroughly enjoyed the experience of Children of Eden. I was able to help in the production of one of the greatest musicals to be in the Rose," said Junior Scott Drummond. Story by Kyle Martin



God, played by equity actor Robert Brand, looks over his people.



Photo by Josh Polinelli



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Top: The display of student photography drew a lot of interest during the Fine Arts Day. Senior Mark Molner shows strong emotion during his dramatic interpretation. Seniors Cooper Sparks and Jesse White try to interpret some of the more obscure student artwork. Right: Michael Nigro and Patrick Landazuri perform their piano and violon duet.

Arts take center stage for a day

One of the most distinguishing characteristics about Rockhurst High School is that there is a rich diversity of gifts and talents within the student body. Many students have excelled in the classroom, several in athletics, and numerous in community service. Some students have also developed extraordinary talents in the fine arts. These particular students were given a chance to celebrate their gifts during Fine Arts Day held in late March, where many of the drawing, singing, acting, and sculpting skills that often go unnoticed were given a chance to shine for faculty and students.

The festival, now in its third year, was organized by teachers of the arts Mr. Mike Kern, Mr. Rodger Cilley, Mrs. Connie Greany, and Mr. Don Ramsey.

"There are so many incredible talents to celebrate at Rockhurst," Mr. Cilley said. "We have national qualifiers in forensics, state level musicians, and our actors and artists continue developing their skills at some of the finest schools in the country. The way that our students are open to growth is what makes us a better school."

"I enjoy Fine Arts Day because it gives me an opportunity to do what I love, to perform for my peers," junior Ian Merrigan said.

During the two-hour break from classes, students were able to view various paintings and drawings in the Barry Commons, listen to jazz combos play in the gym, and watch several other drama and forensics presentations in the classrooms. Rockhurst faculty member Mr. Bert Roney was even featured playing his charango in his El Trio Andante, a South American musical group.

"What I love about Fine Arts Day is that it showcases the talent of over 200 kids who often don't receive recognition for their accomplishments," Mr. Cilley said. "Here they are given a chance to be in the spotlight."

Story by Andrew Zender

Fine Arts Day

Junior Mitch Paone demonstrate his musical abilities. Junior John Mitchell plays the saxophone in the student commons during Fine Arts Day in April.

Photo by Daniel Heryer



Photo by Josh Polimelli



Photo by Josh Polimelli

Jack Bondon and David Finke, both seniors, perform their humorous duet acting interpretation.



Matt Jewett and Will Banning's mother Martha take a break from eating their delicious meal.

Photo by Luke Maese

Dance continues to get bigger and better

Mom Prom

Every year it becomes larger and more spectacular!" said Mrs. Judie Scanlon, special events coordinator. The Rockhurst Mother-Son dinner had always been a tradition, but in the late 80's, the dance aspect was added and it headed down the path where it would eventually become the Mom Prom. The attendance numbers continue to rise with each year. This year, on April 1, 1,475 students and their mothers joined in the festivities.

"If the Mom Prom gets any bigger, we will have to move it across the state line," said Mrs. Scanlon. "We held it at the Muelbach Hotel Ballroom in 1998, which was very beautiful, but in order to accommodate everyone who wanted to participate, we have held it in the Bartle Hall Convention Center, the largest meeting place we can obtain in Missouri."

The Mom Prom truly resembles a prom with almost all of the seniors wearing the tuxes they rent or purchase for the prom held in May.

"The food was fantastic," said junior Dan Asikainen.

The food was appealing to many of the students because this year's committee tried to select dishes that they would enjoy. In addition to setting the menu for the evening, the committee chairs, Mrs. Mary O'Connor, Mrs. Patti Campbell, Mrs. Anne Renne, and Mrs. Kate Brown, put in countless hours ensuring, in whatever ways possible, it would be a special evening for the mothers and their sons.

"Twelve fathers were able to be a part of the event, by volunteering to run the registration table," said Mrs. Scanlon. Story by Zach Ramirez



Photo by Luke Maese

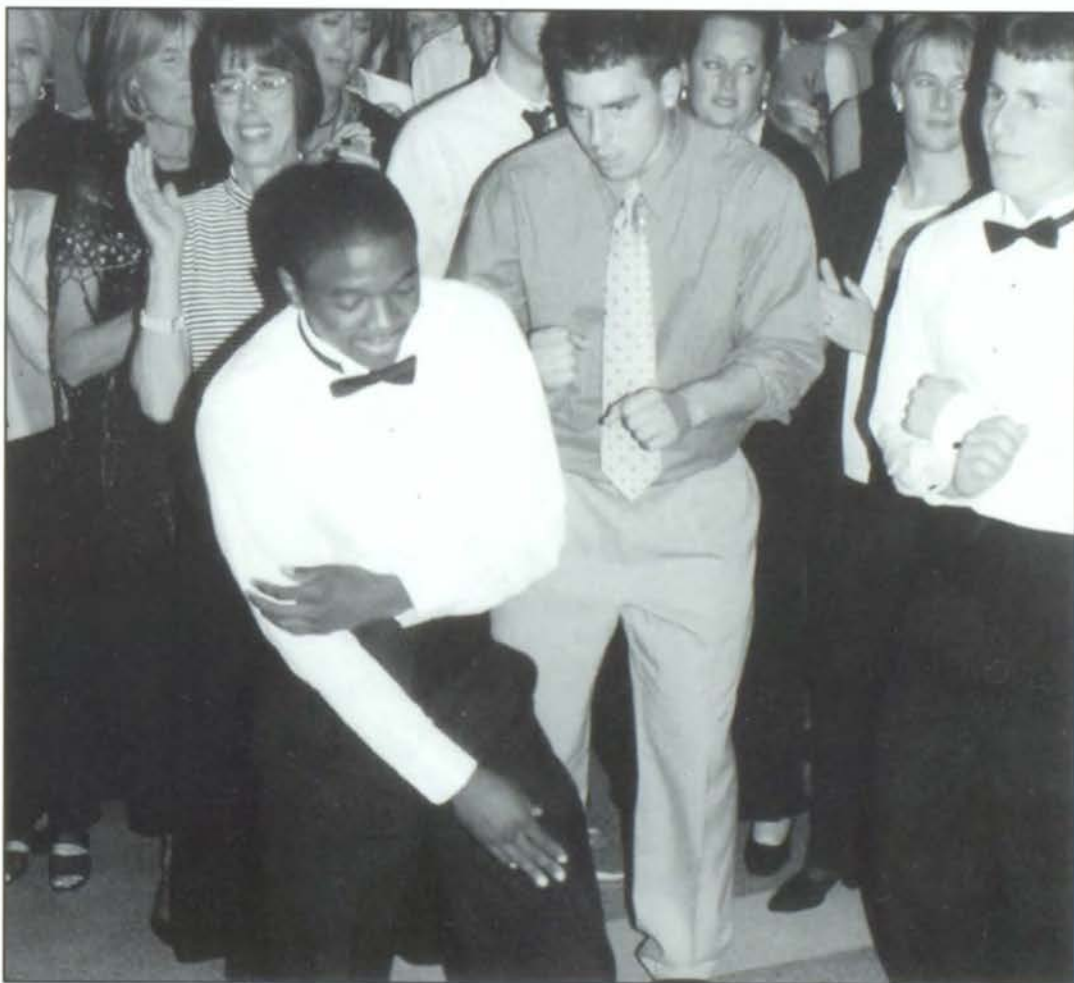
Blair Thedinger and his mother Roys walk out to the dance floor of the Bartle Hall Convention Center.





Photo by Jesse White

James Eddy embraces his mother Fareda. Trevor Duvall gives his mom the puppy dog look as Rhett Parsons looks on.



Seniors get roses to give to their mothers to show their affection. Jason Woods busts a move out on the dance floor as the crowd watches in awe.



Dr. Jerry Goben was 1st Lieutenant Goben when he served in 'Nam.



Colonel Paul Ptasnik was a battalion tank commander in Germany. Mr. Chris Jensen learned the art of fixing German washing machines during his service in the military.





Mr. Chris Jensen showcases one of the fringe benefits of being in the military, driving tanks.

Military Intelligence

Past experiences aid second careers

The military is an institution that instills in its members strong values that stay with them for the rest of their lives, much like the experience of a Rockhurst education. They are both structures that give a person a sense of duty and honor and teach one the value of hard work.

Five members of the Rockhurst faculty have military experience including three who have retired from extensive military careers. They are Dr. Jerry Goblen, Mr. Paul Ptasnik, Mr. Chris Jensen, Mr. Phil Baker, Mr. Ron Geldhof and Mr. Tony Brown (who is still serving in the Air Force National Guard).

"My nineteen years in the military have been the best because every day has brought new challenges and excitement," said Mr. Brown, who since this interview moved on to Notre Dame de Sion to manage all physical plants.

Dr. Goblen started his military career by serving five years in the Regular Army and then twelve years in the Missouri National Guard. He served in Vietnam and was involved in the Cuban Refugee Fiasco. His most memorable military experience, however, was the day his son was born at Ft. Benning, GA. Some of his commendations include the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star, and the Humanitarian Service Medal.

Mr. Ptasnik began his military career by attending West Point followed by 27 additional years of military service including serving in Vietnam in 1970-71. His most memorable experience was commanding an MI-AI tank battalion of 58 tanks and 550 soldiers in Germany from 1988-1990. While serving in the military he received the Rauger Tab and the Combat Infantry Badge.

Mr. Jensen served in the military for 20 years without seeing combat. During his career he was stationed at places such as Erlangen, Germany, Ft. Knox, Kentucky, and even Leavenworth, Kansas. While in the military he received the Meritorious Service Medal.

Mr. Baker served 24 years in the military including four at West Point. He was stationed with a combat unit in Germany during the Gulf War but did not see combat.

Mr. Brown has served nineteen years in the military and is still in the Air National Guard. He served in Desert Storm and has received awards for Air Force commendation and outstanding achievement. The most common value that these men have instilled in their lives based on their military service is the value of hard work. Dr. Goblen's optimism that anything can be accomplished, Mr. Ptasnik's value of doing one's job to the best of his ability, and Mr. Baker's value of the positive power of teamwork are all products of experiences gained in the military.

When asked whether his military experience was beneficial, Mr. Ptasnik responded saying, "For you it was. How would you like to be paying four dollars for a gallon of gasoline and speaking Russian?" Story by Roland Sabates



Mr. Phil Baker served 24 years in the military before becoming a math instructor at Rockhurst.

The crowd, which helped to make this year's battle one of the best ever, gathered around the stage as Al performed. Mike Adler of Hero steps up to the microphone to entertain the crowd.



Photo by Luke Maese

Mathematics teacher, Mr. John McEniry, played drums for Johnny Mac and the Acid Flashbacks, which was the first band to play as is the tradition. Al band members Andrew Zender jams while Brian Meagher adds vocals.



Photo by Luke Maese

David Hayob looks into the crowd as he plays guitar for Johnny Royale.



Photo by Luke Maese





Photo by Danny Chiao

Battle gains money, awareness

It was probably one of the top three battles I have ever seen!" said long time sponsor Mr. Tom Norman of the 13th Annual Carlitos' Battle of the Bands, which capped off Mission Week in February by raising over \$8,000. The battle, a five-hour live benefit event, raises money every year for the Jesuit missions in Honduras.

"The purpose of the battle is to raise money for the Hondurans, showcase RHS musical talent, and to have a good time," said Mr. Norman.

A wide spectrum of music was covered by nine bands in the competition, ranging from progressive rock, funk, and blues to classic rock, punk, and rap. The night was kicked off by Johnny Mac and the Acid Flashbacks featuring Rockhurst faculty member Mr. John McEniry on drums and his son Sean, RHS class of '88, on lead vocals.

"Playing in the battle is always lots of fun. We always try to play in new musical styles every year," said Mr. McEniry.

The other bands competing were Hero, AL, Johnny Royale and the Blues Mafia, Disco Stu, Guss Throttle, KCP, Slanted Plant, and Nitsua. Nitsua took the award as the best band, while Johnny Royale took second, and Slanted Plant finished third. Sophomores Miles Turney and Joe Johnson of Nitsua won best guitarist and best bassist respectively.

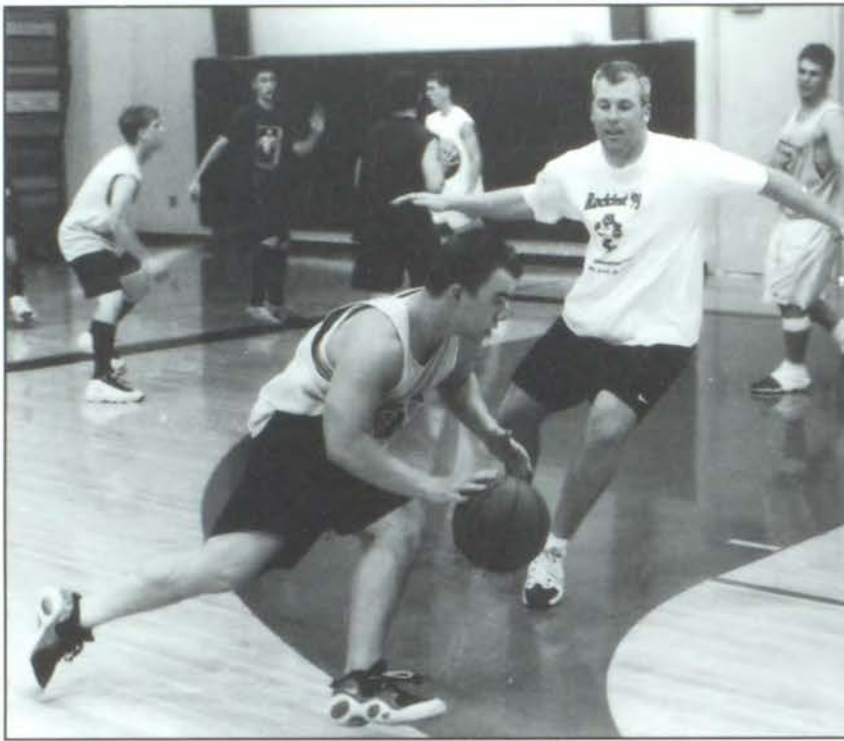
Senior John Shannon of Johnny Royale won best vocalist, and junior Mitch Paone of AL won best keyboards. Charlie Vannice of Guss Throttle won best drummer.

Senior and Disco Stu bassist Brian Maguire summed up his fourth consecutive battle saying, "It was great to perform one last time as the people's band, playing music we love for a good cause." Story by Andrew Zender

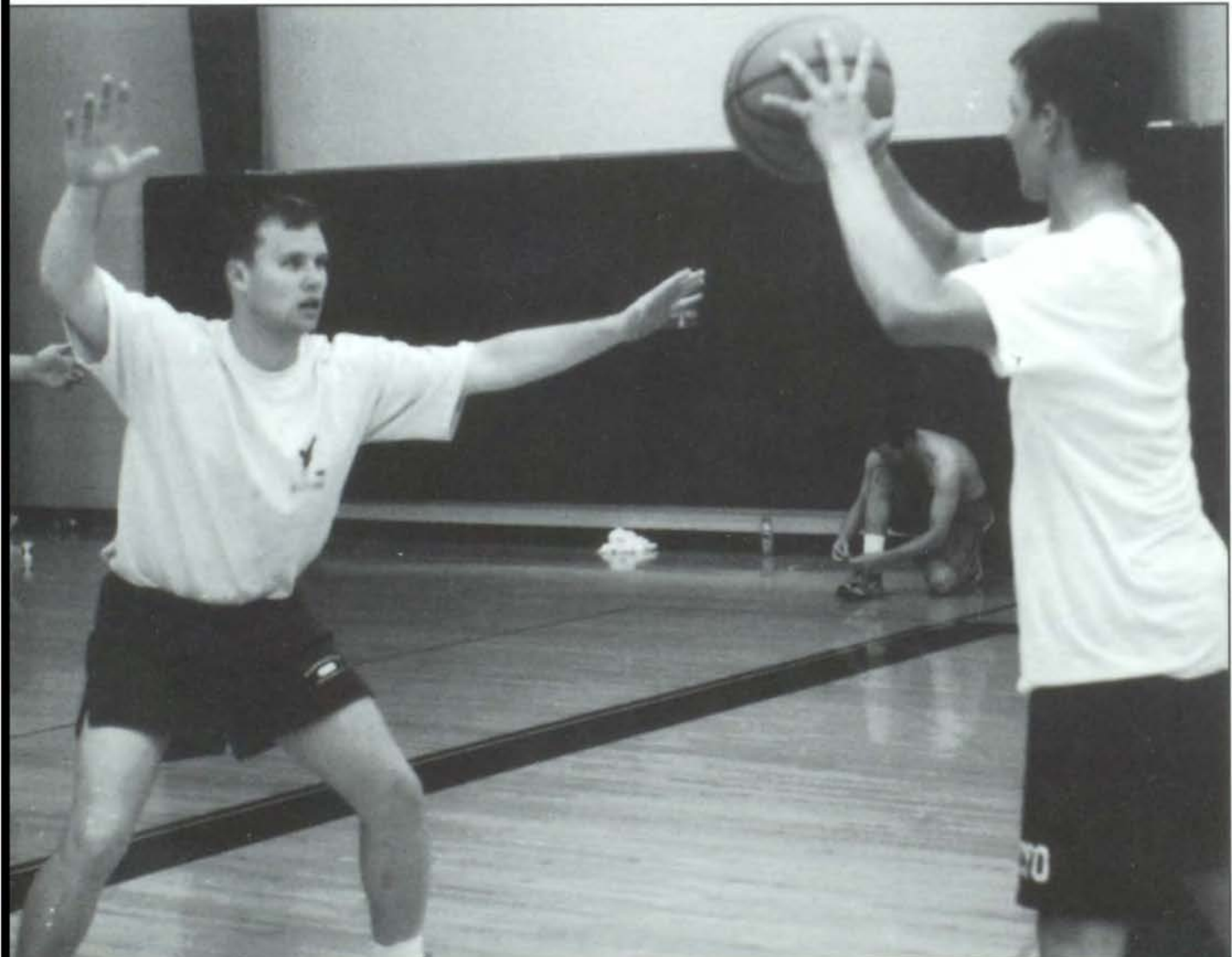
Battle of the Bands



Photo by Luke Maere



The students who worked to help make Rockfest possible. Class of '99 graduate Brian Anselmo drives on class of '89 graduate and math teacher Pete Campbell.



Tim Reardon puts up a three point shot while wearing a balloon hat. Josh Williams looks for someone to pass the ball to while teacher Kevin McArdle, class of '95, defends.

Photo by Will Banning

Yet another successful tournament

Rockfest

Once again, Rockfest raised a new record amount for its scholarship fund. The annual basketball tournament collected over \$26,000 from a wide array of past and present Rockhurst students and faculty.

Teams were made up of three to four players, with 3 playing at a time. The teams competed in one of three divisions, divided by age. In the freshmen-incoming student division, Kevin Sears, Kyle Teahan, T.J. Kratofil, and Zack Appl took home the title. Sophomores Durant Abernethy, Matt Weglarz, and John Mike D'Agostino upset the upperclassmen squads in winning the sophomore-junior division. In the senior-alumni division, "The Tigers," led by current Rockhurst teacher and former basketball standout Mr. Pete Cambell, were victorious for the fourth consecutive year.

Started in 1993, when \$8,000 was collected, by Mr. Tony Severino and a handful of students, Rockfest has grown significantly in seven years. "We shattered the \$20,000 mark we had set," said Co-Chairman Mr. Michael Dierks, "In comparison to the \$13,000 collected three years ago, this year shows a sky rocket in support."

Assisting Mr. Severino and Mr. Dierks in planning the event were seniors, Bret Springs and Matt Bowen, juniors, Pete Schloegel and Chris Clarkson, and sophomores, Stephen Reintijies and Mike Illig. Their help was greatly appreciated. "The six executives spent hours upon hours mailing, calling, and designing t-shirts," Mr. Dierks said.

Influenced by last year's inclement weather, this year's tournament was scheduled to take place in the gym. However, such scheduling only enhanced the event. "Because it rained last year, we decided to keep it inside. Coach Sev does an excellent job of keeping it on schedule. With all the games held in the gym, there seems to be more enthusiasm as everyone is able to watch each other play," commented Mr. Dierks. Story by Bob Stokes



Photo by Will Banning

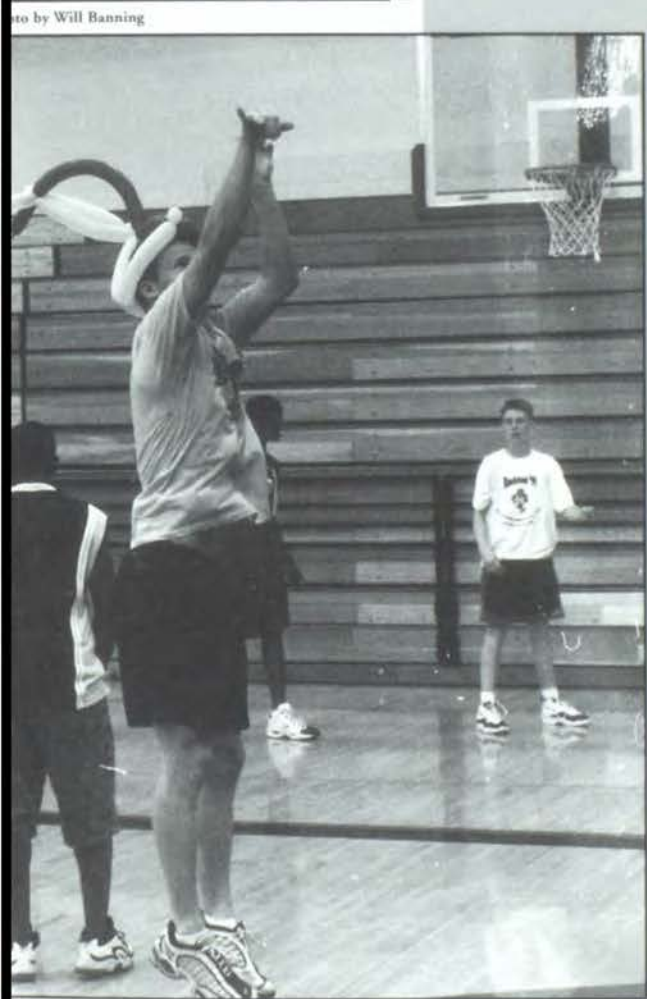


Photo by Will Banning

History teacher Ryan Nicholson gains a step on the defender on the way to the basket.

Joe Fleming, Bert Roney, Matt Nolen, Tom Norman, Jeff Crowe, Kevin Charcut, Mike Dierks, John Morris, Pete Campbell, Ryan Bailey, Doug Bruce, John McEniry and Chris Elmore and Kevin McArdle are some of the teachers who graduated from Rockhurst High School. Not pictured are Steve Ryan, Jack Reichmeier, Larry Freeman and Jay Coleman.



Photo by Charles Bush



Mr. Kevin McArdle played the role of Paris in the winter 1995 production of *Romeo and Juliet*. Mr. Chris Elmore relaxes outside of school in 1989.



Mr. Michael Dierks keeps ahead of a Belton opponent at a track meet in May of 1991.



Grads return to the Rock

Alumni Teachers

Rockhurst provides a lifelong bond for many of its graduates as shown by the many alums who return to teach at RHS.

"The main factor behind my return to RHS was the opportunity to serve a community that provided me with so much," said theology teacher Mr. Kevin Charcut ('95). Sixteen current teachers are alumni, representing graduating classes from 1959 to 1995.

As eighth graders choosing which school to attend, many of these future teachers were strongly influenced by their family traditions, as well as the reputation for excellence in academics and extracurriculars Rockhurst had even then.

"My parents wanted me to go to Rockhurst, but there was something inside of me that knew RHS was the place for me," said math teacher Mr. Ryan Bailey ('95).

"I wanted to attend the best school in Kansas City, to develop all of my talents for the future, academic and athletic," said Spanish instructor Mr. Bert Roney ('91).

The RHS alumni have a wide collection of memories from their time as students.

"Winning student council president was my greatest memory," said theology teacher Mr. Tom Norman ('59).

For others, athletic experiences left lasting impressions from their high school experience.

"Being defensive captain in football my senior year was unforgettable," said biology teacher Mr. Steve Ryan ('59). Mr. Charcut and math teacher Mr. Kevin McArdle ('95) played together on the Rockhurst soccer team that finished third at State in 1995.

Athletic Director and math teacher Mr. Doug Bruce ('67) played second base for the 1965 Rockhurst baseball squad which won a League Championship, and started at guard for the basketball team that went to State.

"Winning the State Championship in golf my senior year was very memorable, especially with my younger brother Matt on the team," said Mr. Roney.

"As a member of the RHS community I remember the Jefferson City triple overtime game, the spirit of the crowds at sporting events games, and my running experiences," said journalism and Spanish teacher Mr. Michael Dierks ('91).

Obviously, a love of teaching and of the RHS community led such a large number of RHS graduates to return to teach at Rockhurst.

"I think I decided to teach here because of the influence some of my teachers had on me when I was a student and I wanted to make an impact on the world and not just sit behind a desk," said Mr. Dierks.

Almost all teachers shared the view that the best part of RHS is its community.

"Absolutely, no doubt about it. Whether alumni, parents, faculty, staff, or students, they are the best!" said Mr. Larry Freeman ('82), Director of Development and Alumni Affairs. Story by Charles Bush



Mr. Kevin Charcut celebrates a goal in the consolation soccer game at State against Springfield Glendale in 1995.



Mr. Pete Campbell soars into the lane to score against Shawnee Mission West. He played for the 1989 State Championship Basketball team.

Behind the scenes workers are crucial yet unnoticed

Maintenance

Rudy Rodriguez helps make the counter of the bookstore in the student commons shine.



As many kids struggle to arise with the early sun, the Rockhurst maintenance crew has already begun their daily tasks. A housekeeping crew has worked until midnight the evening before preparing the building for the next day's classes. They unlock the doors and clean up spills left behind before continuing their assigned projects that maintain the school's complicated infrastructure.

The faces are familiar, but their stories are not. Before their careers at Rockhurst, the maintenance crew started out far from their present vocation. From across the seas came three familiar faces: Mr. Deng Khammanivony, Mr. Lanley Thatsanithone, and Mr. Ben Sabido. Mr. Khammanivony and Mr. Thatsanithone were both born in Laos, an Asian country nestled between Thailand, Cambodia, and Vietnam.

Mr. Sabido was born in the Philippines, located above Indonesia and between the South China Sea and the Pacific Ocean. Mr. Khammanivony came to Kansas City in 1986, where he started his work at Pembroke School. Later, he heard of an opening at Rockhurst, in which he was accepted in 1997. Mr. Thatsanithone, on the other hand, arrived in Kansas City in June of 1980. Jokingly referred to as "Skeeter" by his peers, Mr. Thatsanithone studied the art of welding for eight years. He knew Mr. Khammanivony before, so when an opportunity at Rockhurst became available, Mr. Khammanivony recommended his friend.

"I took him under my wings," explained Mr. Khammanivony.

Likewise, Mr. Sabido applied to Rockhurst, though not without some prior engagements.

Along with this wife and two kids, Mr. Sabido, otherwise known as "Father Ben", came to Missouri in 1991. At that time, he had almost 12 years experience with the Merchant Marines, where he studied mostly electrical and plumbing applications; a background in which he still carries. He applied to Rockhurst that same year.

Mr. Harry Ward, also known as "Dirty Harry", grew up in Kansas City, but was born in Tennessee. He attended various colleges, such as the University of Missouri-Rolla and Johnson County Community College, obtaining a building maintenance degree before starting grounds work at Rockhurst in 1986.

"Because I'm outside all the time, I tend to get dirtier than the other guys," explained Mr. Ward. "That's why they call me Dirty Harry."

Mr. Tony Brown, "Big Daddy", who has been at RHS for five years, was born in Marshal, MO. Most of his childhood was spent in Kansas City, where he joined the Air Force in late 1975. He studied for 19 years as an aircraft mechanic, later attending MIT and the University of Oklahoma. He later went on to graduate from a school in Okinawa, Japan, earning a Bachelor's degree in aerospace engineering.

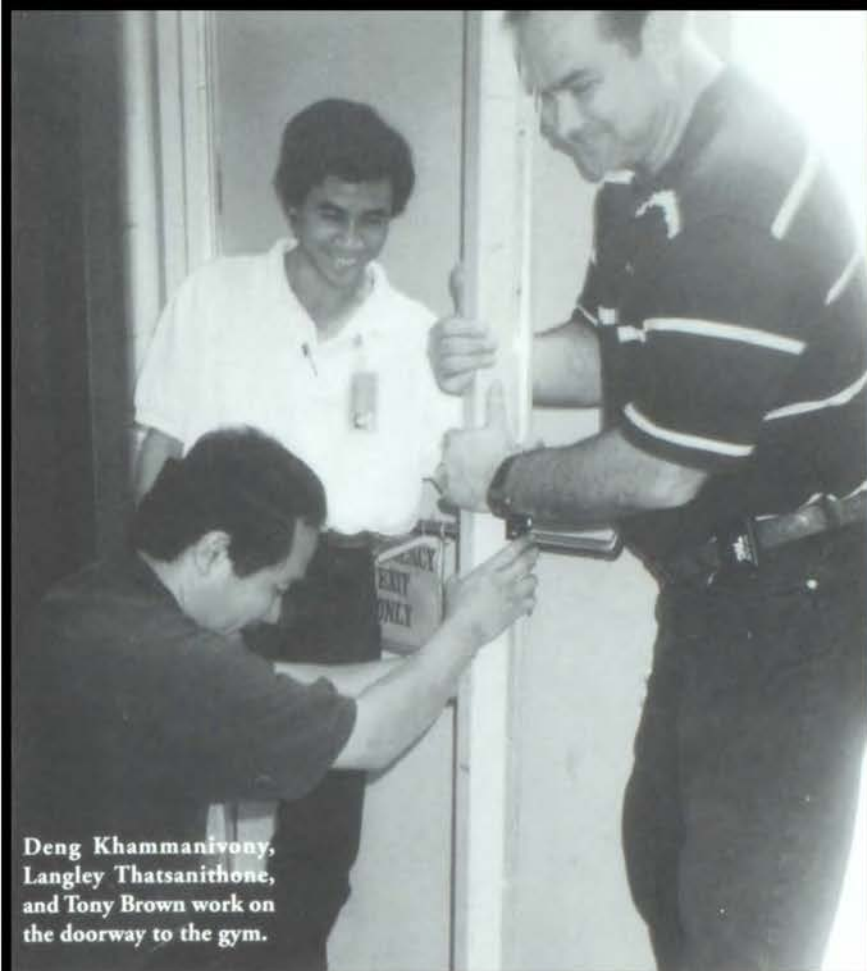
"It's a nice atmosphere to surround myself with," explained Mr. Brown. "They're all good guys to work with."

In the years they've worked for Rockhurst, the maintenance crew agree that the students have given back to the maintenance staff.

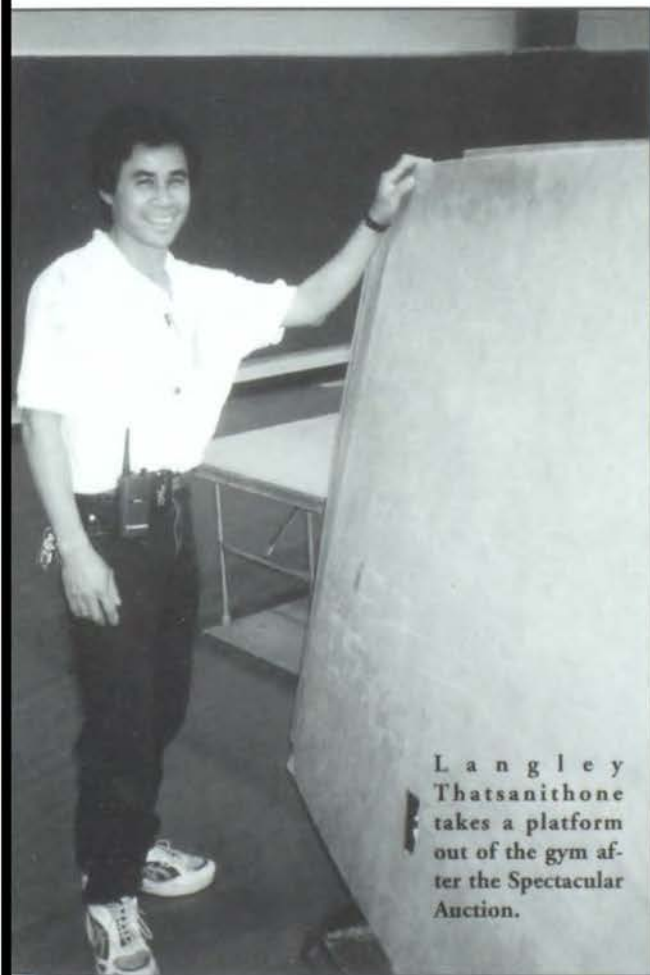
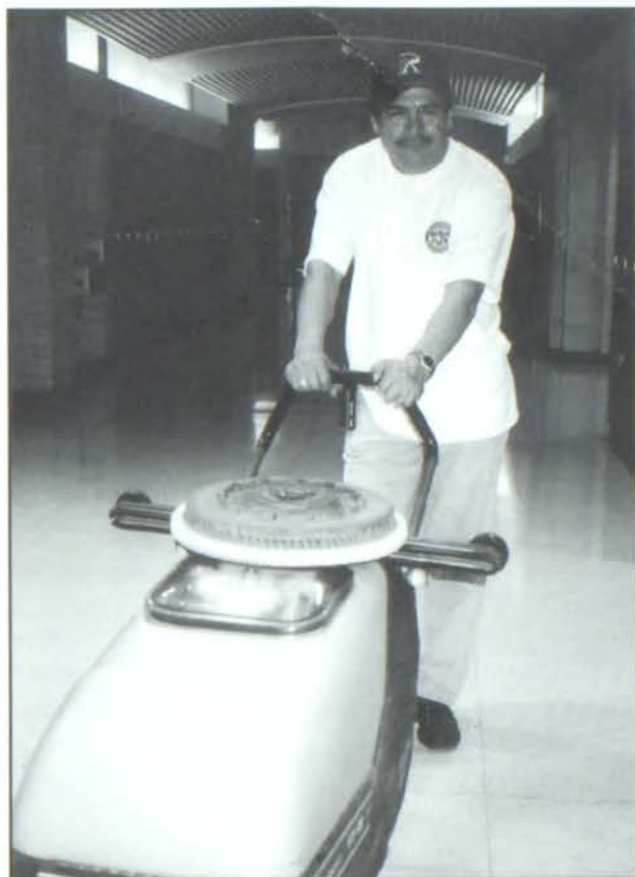
"It's a personal relationship," explained Mr. Kammanivony. "They treat us well and cooperate to get the job done."

According to Mr. Sabido, some kids appreciate being taught responsibility. "Some kids you don't hit it off so well in the beginning," he added. "The others understand and we show them how to do certain jobs in order to correct their mistakes."

"They're nice, polite, and good to work with," stated Mr. Thatsanithane. "It's like a large family," added Mr. Brown. "We care for those we work with." Story by Carlos Cabezas



Deng Khammanivony, Langley Thatsanithone, and Tony Brown work on the doorway to the gym.



Langley Thatsanithone takes a platform out of the gym after the Spectacular Auction.



Photo by Carlos Cabezas

Moises Ramirez buffs the hallway floors after school's out. Ben Sabido looks outside for a new task to take on. Mr. Langley Thatsanithone and his wife, Luis Sandoval, Moises Ramirez, Mark Pineda, and Angel Sandoval take a break after a day of hard work.



Assembly recognizes excellence

Awards and Achievements



Photo by Dustin Charapata

Mrs. Lisa Murphy accepts the five-year longevity award given to her late husband and principal Mr. Tom Murphy. Junior Adam Henderson receives a scholastic award from Fr. Thomas Pesci S.J.

The annual awards ceremony once again honored students and teachers who best exemplified RHS in and out of school. Former principal Mr. Thomas Murphy's wife Lisa accepted a five year service award on his behalf. Mrs. Murphy spoke briefly to the students about her husband's love for the school before leaving to a standing ovation. Mike Frey received the Senior Class Award for Excellence, Daniel Clark was awarded the Jesuit Secondary Education Association Award, while Jack Bondon was given the Carl G. Kloster S.J., "Special R" Award. Story by Ed Bessenbacher.

Senior Class Award for Excellence



Michael Frey

Jesuit Secondary Education Award



Daniel Clark

Karl G. Kloster S.J., "Special R" Award



Jack S. Bondon

Arts Department
National School Orchestra Award
Outstanding Vocals

Louis Armstrong Jazz Improv. Award
John Phillips Sousa Band Award
Woody Herman Jazz Improv. Award
Visual Arts Award

Ceramic Arts Award

Theater Award

Technical Theater Award

Speech Communication Department
Speech Communications Awards

National Forensic League Academic
All Americans

Drape Journalism Award
Journalism Award

Business Department
Business Department Award

Stephen Allison
Joseph Hager
Richard Rees
Daniel Asikainen
Brandon Dange
Bryan McGuire
Giuliano Mingulecci
Joseph W. Gall
Richard Hwang
Austin Gilmore
Cooper Sparks
Benjamin Clark
Brett Coppage
Joshua Kenning
Johnathan Shannon
Andrew Gilchrist
David Riffel
Bradley Reed
Austin Gilmore



Senior Jack Bondon is embraced by his dad after receiving an award.

Michael McShane, Roy Lightner
Daniel Martucci
Ian Merrigan, Brian Schroeder
Jack Bondon, Edward Shelton

Jack Bondon, Brian Dress, David Finke, James Hupp, Evan McKay, Zach Thomas

Brent Kriegshauser
Matthew Ferguson
Samuel Davidson
Anthony Vontz, Brent Kriegshauser

Michael Frey
Brett McCracken
Jake Mooney

Jeffery Nagy

Senior Brian Dress is congratulated by Mr. Larry Ruby after being honored.



English Department
English Award

James Poskin
Eric Pashman
Kevin McDaniel

Foreign Language Department

Greek
Latin
French
Spanish

David Hayob
Kevin McDaniel
Andrew Proulx
Peter Simone

Mathematics Department
Mathematics Awards

Gary Batz Memorial Math Award

Jeffery Nagy
Gregory Laughlin
Adam Henderson
Joseph LeVota, Timothy Sady
Adam Henderson

Physical Education Department
Physical Education Award

Kevin Sears
Brett Allred
Ryan Anderson
Brent Kriegshauser

Science Department

Physical Science
Biology
Chemistry
Physics

Jeffery Nagy
Gregory Laughlin
Andrew Womack
Paul Mattione

Social Studies Department

Geography Award
World History Award
American History Award
Economics Award

Tyler True
Paul Camacho, Chris Lee
John Linhoff, Sean McLaughlin, Sean O'Donnell
Kirk Wood
Evan McKay
David Riffel
Joshua Kenning

Government Award

Sociology Award

Theology Department

Theology Awards

Matthew Nocit
Matthew Wormington
Kevin Cotter
Jeffrey Dobbie

Total Ignation Experience
TIE Awards

Luke Bauers, Daniel Clark, Aaron Clevinger, Jeff Collins, Andy Gilchrist, Elton Gumbel, James Hupp, Brad Reed, Paul Rohrer, Bob Stokes, Corey Swope

Longevity Awards

Five Years

Phil Baker,
Al Carruthers,
Michael Dierks,
Laurence Freeman,
Thomas Murphy,
Paul Ptasnik,
David Suwalsky, S.J.,
Artie Vielhauer

Ten Years

Jim Bascom,
Fred Campisano,
Cheryl Cavlovich,
Mike Kern

Fifteen Years

Jorge Taracido

Twenty-Five Years

Don Ramsey

Awards of Distinction

Colgate University Book
Fairfield University Book
Washington University Book
Xavier University Book
Colorado School of Mines Medal
Renselaer Polytechnic Institute Medal

Sean L. McLaughlin
Michael L. Nigro
Matthew R. Schwenke
Philip D. Conway

Daniel A. Vianello

Sean M. O'Donnell

Advanced Placement Scholar

Jesus A. Chapa, Brian C. Dress, Joshua Q. Polsinelli, Timothy R. Sady, Al J. Smith

Missouri State Scholars



Mr. Larry Ruby speaks to students in the Rose Theater.

Lucas L. Bauers, Jack S. Bondon, Jesus Chapa-Malacara, Colin M. Davis, Max J. Ernst, David G. Hamilton, David J. Hayob, James R. Hupp, Kyle E. Martin, Bryan A. McGuire, Evan C. McKay, Andrew Metzler, E. Elliott Mura, Josh Q. Polsinelli, Mark H. Riesmeyer, Timothy R. Sady, Peter D. Simone, Al J. Smith, Patrick T. Thomas, Adam N. Young

National Merit Commended Students

Mark D. Cummings, Joshua D. Kenning, Brent A. Kriegshauser, Paul T. Mattione, Mark D. Molner, Joshua Q. Polsinelli, Mark H. Riesmeyer, Timothy R. Sady, Patrick T. Thomas, Zach V. Thomas, Adam N. Young

National Merit Finalists

Jack S. Bondon, Patrick J. Connelly, Brian C. Dress, Max J. Ernst, James R. Hupp, Kevin M. McDaniel, Evan C. McKay, Ryan A. Osgood, Peter D. Simone, Al J. Smith

National Hispanic Scholar Recognition Program

Jesus A. Chapa, Daniel A. Clark, Patrick Landazuri

Awards in Recognition of Extraordinary Character



Senior Stephen Allison shakes hands with Fr. Pesci.

R-Awards

Class of 2003

Michail J. Finn, Thomas P. Graves, John Paul Nigro

Class of 2002

James G. Becker, John Mike D'Agostino, Paul G. Damon, Michael S. Illig, Stephen L. Reintjes, Jeffrey H. Snodgrass, Matthew S. Ziegenhorn

Class of 2001

Christopher G. Clarkson, Kyle E. Martin, Sean G. Mueller, Eric M. Pashman, Peter J. Schloegel, Christopher M. Winger

Class of 2000

Stephen M. Allison, Jack S. Bondon, Mathew J. Bowen, Carlos A. Cabezas, Daniel A. Clark, Mark D. Cummings, Matthew R. Darby, Cary C. Felzien, David L. Finke, Michael J. Frey, Brent A. Kriegshauser, Joseph D. Orscheln, Pablo J. Palmer, Bradley C. Reed, David L. Riffel, Jerry J. Sirna, Brett M. Springs, Michael R. Strain, Blair A. Thedinger, Zach V. Thomas, Tim Wientzen

Senior Class Award of Excellence Jesuit Secondary Education Association Award
Carl G. Kloster, S.J. "Special-R" Award

Michael James Frey

Daniel A. Clark

Jack S. Bondon



Fr. Pesci speaks to students at the conclusion of the assembly. Junior Chris Winger receives his "R" award.



Photo by Dustin Charapata



ROCKHURST HIGH SCHOOL
FOOTBALL TEAM
1933

ANDERSON



Photo by Matt Darby

Senior Rory Donnelly is congratulated by Mr. Mike Dierks after a great run. Joe O'Connor, Cal Gast, Colin McFarland, Mike Tiehen, Bret Springs, and Mike Frey sign letters of intent to play college football.



Jim Davie, Josh Williams, Matt Darby, Matt Jewett, Jason Woods, Brett Coppage, and Lance Snodgrass agree to play soccer for their respective colleges. Mr. Mark Nusbaum, and Mr. Doug Bruce were honored for their accomplishments in basketball. Opposite page: Simone award-winner, Brandon Shelby parades around the gym. Kirk Wood and Kevin Ward sign golfing letters of intent. Brian Siegal smiles with his parents shortly after agreeing to run for UMKC.



Photo by Josh Polsinelli

Photo by Bob Darby

Sports

Sports are a key element for students. They are a form of entertainment and release. Students invest much time in them day in and day out, in season and out of season.

Our sports traditions are respected and revered.

One just has to look at the banners on the wall to see that. We have been consistent through the ages in athletics. 1999-2000 was no exception, but was, in fact, spectacular.

"...is like a wise man, who built his house on rock."

We won three State Championships, all of them repeats, some several times over. Three other sports ended up in the Final Four, while three other teams advanced farther in post season play than they had

in past years.

The fan support was incredible for sports as students went all out for their

competing classmates. It was definitely an amazing year for RHS sports and their fans.

This is exceptional, but also what is expected at a school that has dominated. . . for ages.

Sweet Repeat

Hawklets capture 2nd straight championship

The Hawklet Soccer Team returned 13 lettermen and posted a 27-1-1 record on its way to repeating as State Champions.

"This year's team had more depth and experience which helped us in the championship," said Head Coach

Luke Maese, and Jim Davey.

The Hawklets put up solid statistics for the season. In route to their 27-1-1, record they scored 116 goals while only giving up 17. They defeated three eventual state champions including the #1 team in the country,

Lance Snodgrass,
Ryan Raybould,
Joe Burns, and
Matt Jewett

Photo by Matt Smith



Photo by Colin McFarland



Photo by Danny Chiao

Photo by Matt Smith

Chris Lawson. The Hawklets played the championship game with three starters standing on the sidelines. Josh Williams had a stress fracture in his foot; Brian Siegel separated his shoulder, and Jason Woods had been ejected with a questionable red card. Despite this adversity, the Hawklets were able to break the scoreless tie in the fourth minute of overtime with a Joe Burns goal, propelling the Hawklets over St. Louis University High School, 1-0.

The injuries the Hawklets dealt with in the State Championship Game were nothing new to the team who were plagued by injury much of the year. Junior midfielder Brendan Matthews had his share of injuries, including back spasms, but commented that "everyone on the team knew their role, and when it was their time to fulfill it they did not miss a beat."

Seniors Joe Burns and Matt Jewett led the offensive attack for the Hawklets, as Burns broke the school record for goals with 31. On the defensive end, the Hawklets were led by seniors Jason Woods, Matt Darby,

Marquette Prep High School. The Hawklets were ranked #10 nationally at the end of the year.

The student body played a role in the success of the soccer team. As RHS played nationally ranked #13 St. Thomas Aquinas hundreds of white shirt and tie students cheered the Hawklets to victory. Coach Lawson commented on the fan support by saying "a game without the student body would be like Christmas without family."

The soccer team was well represented in the All-Metro selections with Jewett, Darby, and Burns making first team, and Woods receiving honorable mention. Jewett was named the Kansas City Player of the Year, MVP of State Championships, and Missouri Offensive Player of the Year. Darby was named the Missouri Defensive Player of the Year.

At the soccer awards ceremony, Fr. Chris Pinne, S.J., chaplain of the RHS soccer team addressed the soccer program and in prayer said "you are a marvel, you are the State Champions."

Story by John Linhoff

SOCCKER

Photo by Bob Darby



Toppling the No. 1-ranked high school boys team, Marquette, Matt Jewett and Matt Darby had something to celebrate. Joe Burns shields a defender as Will Banning takes an open shot on goal.

Photo by Collin Koranda



Photo by Matt Smith



Photo by Danny Chiao



VARSITY SOCCER ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	
Bishop LeBlond	0	10
Bishop Miege	1	1
S.M.East	0	3
Blue Springs	1	2
Lee's Summit	2	3
Raytown South	0	7
Blue Valley North	0	2
Shawnee Mission NW	2	3
Marquette	1	2
Olathe East	2	1
St. Thomas Aquinas	1	2
Blue Valley NW	1	8
Jefferson City	0	1
Shawnee Mission South	1	4
Park Hill	0	7
Shawnee Mission West	0	3
Whitfield	0	7
Granite City	0	2
Blue Springs	0	10
Bishop O'hara	0	8
Oak Park	1	2
Lee's Summit North	0	2
Liberty	1	3
DISTRICTS		
Raytown	1	5
North Kansas City	1	6
SECTIONAL		
Lee's Summit North	0	2
QUARTER FINAL		
Blue Springs South	0	2
SEMI-FINAL		
Chaminade	1	2
FINAL		
SLUH	0	1
FINAL RECORD 27-1-1		

Junior Jarrett Devereaux takes a free kick for the Hawklets as they go on to beat Park Hill. Devereaux jumps high into the air as he leaves most of the defenders stuck on the ground.



Power House

Winning State Championship

two years in a row, Hawklets are now the team to beat!



Photo by Pablo Palmeri



Photo by Danny Chiao

"We had a great core of talent, and we knew it would be tough for any team to beat us."

Josh Williams



Photo by Danny Chiao



Rockhurst High School Varsity Soccer

Front Row: Ballboy Mel Lawson; Row 2: Manager Mike Strain, Scott Siegel, Coach Chris Lawson, Coach Kevin Charcut, Coach Kevin McArdle, Manager Bobby Mata; Row 3: Brent Coppage, Jarrett Devereaux, Ryan Raybould, Matt Bowen, Jason Woods, Lance Snodgrass, Brendan Matthews; Row 4: Luke Maese, Joe Burns, Chris Hentzen, Jeff Tanner, Jim Davey, Josh Williams; Row 5: Jamie Brecheisen, Matt Jewett, Will Banning, Matt Darby, Brian Siegel.



Photo by Matt Smith

The Hawklets proudly hoist up the State Championship trophy. Matt Bowen fights hard to win a ball against a defender. Joe Burns runs by a Marquette defender on his way to yet another goal. Matt Darby battles for the ball, against James Tuellmar of SLUH, during overtime of the State Championship game.

Bright Future

Late season rebound brings hope for team with character

After a slow start, the Junior Varsity Soccer Team finished the season strong, ending with a record of 14-5-2.

The team was able to win their last

them, and beat them on their field."

This game was one of the last seven that the team won. According to junior midfielder Tim Reardon, this

William John,
Brian Meagher,
Tim Reardon, and
Pat Hill



seven games after getting off to a somewhat shaky start, according to first year Coach Kevin McArdle.

"We weren't playing as well as we could at the beginning," Coach McArdle said. "I was very happy with the way we rebounded at the end. We played really well, winning with good soccer."

Near the halfway point of the season, the team suffered a disappointing loss to Blue Valley North. After going into half-time with a 2-1 lead, the team faltered in the second half, and dropped the game 3-2. According to junior defenseman Nick Taylor, this made the team work harder in practice, and the team lost only three games after that.

"We played awesome at the end. No team really came close to beating us," said Taylor.

One of the biggest contests the team played was against rival St. Thomas Aquinas in a specially scheduled game.

"We were supposed to play them in the Rockhurst Tournament, but we lost in the first game," Coach McArdle said. "So we scheduled a game with

rebound was a credit to coaching and the team learning to play together.

"We didn't play that well at first, but we meshed together as the season went on. We knew each other's strengths and weaknesses, and the different styles we had," Reardon said.

This is difficult on the JV team because of the constant shifting of players from the Sophomore Team to the JV team or from JV to Varsity. Players had to constantly adjust to different people in different roles Coach McArdle said.

"It's hard, because you're always playing with new guys," said Taylor, "but guys stepped up and we adjusted."

This was a credit to the overall athleticism and team skill, according to Reardon. Hard work was also a plus for an excellent defense, noted Taylor.

The season was an overall success according to coach McArdle.

"Our job is not just to win our games, but to push the Varsity players, and the whole program, and I believe we did that," he said.

Story by Ed Bessenbacher



Photo by Sean McLaughlin



Tim Reardon directs a header to a forward down field. Charlie Peters takes a corner kick and puts it on the far side of the goal. Paul Link keeps a defender on his back while he waits for a fellow teammate to break open for a pass.





Rockhurst High School Junior Varsity Soccer

Front Row: John Molle, Charlie Peters, Joe Price, Coach Kevin McArdle, John Dollerschell, Matt Beck, Patrick O'Neill; Second Row: Tim Reardon, Patrick Hill, Matt Ferguson, Nick Taylor, Sean O'Donnell, Paul Link; Back Row: Noah Ballard, Conor Klammann, Cameron Nordholm, Brian Meagher, Doug Croy.



JV SOCCER ON THE BOOKS

Opponent	RHS
Bishop LeBlond	0 10
Miege	0 0
Shawnee Mission East	5 4
Grandview	0 8
Raytown South	0 6
Raytown	0 3
Blue Valley North	3 2
S. M. Northwest	1 1
Blue Valley Northwest	2 1
Blue Springs	0 3
Jefferson City	3 2
S. M. South	2 1
Shawnee Mission East	3 1
Olathe South	4 2
Shawnee Mission West	3 1
St. Thomas Aquinas	1 0
Blue Springs	2 0
O'Hara	6 0
Oak Park	5 0
Lee's Summit North	4 0
Liberty	1 0
FINAL RECORD	14-5-2

Tim Reardon sprints to the ball beating a Blue Valley NW defender. Matt Beck goes for a take away against a forward.

Experience

Underclassmen get valuable playing time that will help them in upcoming years

The Sophomore Soccer Team achieved satisfying wins against their top rivals. With overpowering players, the squad posted a 13-2-2 record.

The highlight of the season was beating Aquinas 2-0, in their own

finished their season strong," stated Coach Ptasnik. "Looking at the Freshmen class' achievements could indicate yet another great year."

Story by Carlos Cabezas

Brett Gamso,
Matt Neenan,
Matt Patterson,
and Alex Nordholm

Photo by Dustin Charapata



Photo by Dave Winget

Photo by Dustin Charapata

tournament.

"It was wonderful to beat them on their home field," explained Head Coach Paul Ptasnik. "Though they defeated us earlier in the season, it was great to win the rematch."

Those who contributed to the team's success included Jack Jones, who led the team with the most consecutive goals, and William John, who was later moved up to play for JV and Varsity. The players themselves, according to Coach Ptasnik, improved in their ability and intensity to play soccer as a team.

"I thought we performed well as a team," stated sophomore Paul Camacho. "We trained hard to try to defeat our opponents."

The Sophomore team faced their biggest disappointment when they lost to Blue Valley North West, 1-0, at the Little Dawg Tournament. "It was discouraging to watch them score in the last two minutes of the game," said Coach Ptasnik. "I knew the players felt disappointed afterwards."

Although there were heartbreaks, there also came hope for the future. "The Sophomore class improved and

The Freshmen Soccer Team ended its season with a few disappointments, but gained in overall experience, posting an impressive 10-1-1 record.

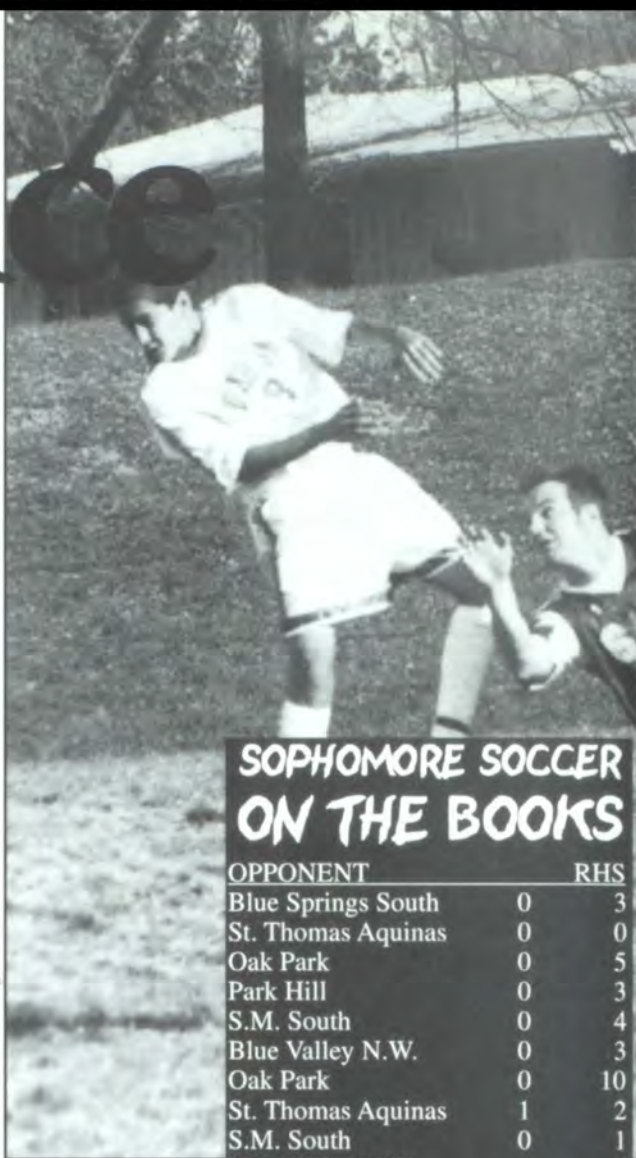
"We had 23 new kids who started playing together for the first time," said Head Coach Phil Baker. "With the help of my assistant Coach Ryan Bailey, we helped the team improve and taught them to work as a team."

Uniting for a common goal helped the squad, especially in the RHS Tournament, where it beat St. Joe Central, 3-1, and Blue Springs, 5-1. "It was great to see them play the way Rockhurst plays soccer," stated Coach Baker.

A scheduling conflict denied the team the opportunity to play against Aquinas in the tournament, but it opened up an opportunity to defeat their second biggest rival, Blue Springs.

The 5-0 shutout loss to Jefferson City proved to be the biggest heartbreak, but it never burdened the team's persistence to carry on as a group.

"Although some already had experience, all the players improved in working together as a whole," Coach Baker said. "I hope to see them play for the Varsity team." Story by Carlos Cabezas



Kyle Fitzgerald directs a header to a fellow teammate down field in route to a Hawklet victory.

SOPHOMORE SOCCER ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS
Blue Springs South	0 3
St. Thomas Aquinas	0 0
Oak Park	0 5
Park Hill	0 3
S.M. South	0 4
Blue Valley N.W.	0 3
Oak Park	0 10
St. Thomas Aquinas	1 2
S.M. South	0 1
Blue Valley N.W.	1 0
St. Thomas Aquinas	3 0
Blue Valley N.W.	2 2
S.M. North West	0 1
S.M. East	0 5
St. Thomas Aquinas	0 2
S.M. North West	1 2
Blue Springs	0 6

FINAL RECORD 13-2-2

FRESHMEN SOCCER ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS
Blue Springs South	0 5
Miege	0 5
Park Hill South	0 1
Blue Valley North	2 2
Blue Valley N.W.	1 2
Blue Springs South	1 2
St. Joe Central	1 3
Blue Springs	1 5
Jefferson City	5 0
Blue Valley N.W.	1 2
S.M. East	0 4
Park Hill South	0 4

FINAL RECORD 10-1-1



Photo by Dave Winter



Rockhurst High School Freshmen Soccer

Front Row: Coach Ryan Bailey, Nick Sylan, Zachary Royer, Bill Wald, Ryan Melgaard, Jameson Griffith, Coach Philip Baker; Row 2: Matt Patterson, Alex Altomare, Paul Mauton, Andrew Turner, Matthew Schleicher, Kevin Lenihan, Tim Sullivan; Row 3: John Hawley, Elliot Jaros, Steven Baugh, Alex Nordlollm, Tim Steitz, Pete Novick; Row 4: Brad Weishar, Tom Dougherty, Darren Smith, Brett Gamso, and Terry Lord.



Photo by Carlos Caberzas



Photo by Bob Stokes



Rockhurst High School Sophomore Soccer

Front Row: Kyle Fitzgerald, Lon Lane, Matt Neenan, Coach Paul Ptasnik, Elliott Disney, Danny Pasternack, Boon Smith; Second Row: Ridge Reese, III, Jack Jones, Robert Reintjes, Stephen Reintjes, Chris Schaefer, John Skevington, Michael Comiskey; Back Row: Paul Camacho, Will John, Scott Ferguson, and Adam Sinovic.



Photo by Josh Polsinelli

The Hawklets receive a penalty kick and are able to score as the goalie guesses wrong. A Hawklet sweeper moves the ball downfield to a forward. Will John attacks a forward hard and prevents a goal.

Oh, So Close!

The Hawks make it all the way to the State Championship but fall one win short of title

Mike Griffin,
Joe O'Connor,
Alex Staab, and
Geoff Brown

Photo by Danny Chiao



Photo by Danny Chiao



Photo by Colin Koranda

"Can't stop the Rock" was the ever present battle cry of the 1999 football season. Scoring a total of 496 points while holding it's opposition to just 161 points the team made it to the State Championship game, losing 15-7 to Mehlville High School.

The Rock set a tempo for the season with a blowout against interstate rival St. Thomas Aquinas 48-13.

Coach Tony Severino said the coaching staff knew early that they would be using senior, Simone Award winner Brandon Shelby as the foundation for the offense.

"We also hoped that the others would step up and fill the void left by the graduates of last year," Coach Severino said.

The Rock accepted that challenge head on and became the highest scoring team in Rockhurst history, capping off the season in November by defeating the number one ranked Jefferson City Jays on their own turf, 34-0.

"Our offensive line really held us together," said Coach Severino. It was led by seniors Colin Mcfarland, Jeff Dobbie and Mike Frey, juniors Brian Dreis, Matt Kopp and Nick Boyd.

The offensive line provided senior quarterback Michael Griffin with the pocket he needed, and he responded by passing for 1,012 yards even though he missed three games because of an ankle injury.

"On a real team someone always steps up to make the big play, and we had that this year," added Coach Severino. He considered the unsung heroes to be seniors Paul Rohrer, Willie Ronan, Brett McCracken and team tackle leader Cal Gast.

"I just did what needed to be done," says Rohrer.

The Rock moved on to the State Championship game, for the first time since 1989, playing Mehlville in the TWA Dome in downtown St. Louis. "We never doubted we would get to the State Championship," said Gast. "It was just a matter of time. It wasn't meant to be though."

"It was a complete year. Last year we fell a game short. This year we fell a win short, but this was and will always be one of the greatest teams ever at the Rock," Coach Severino remarked. Story by Aaron Clevinger



Photo by Matt Darby

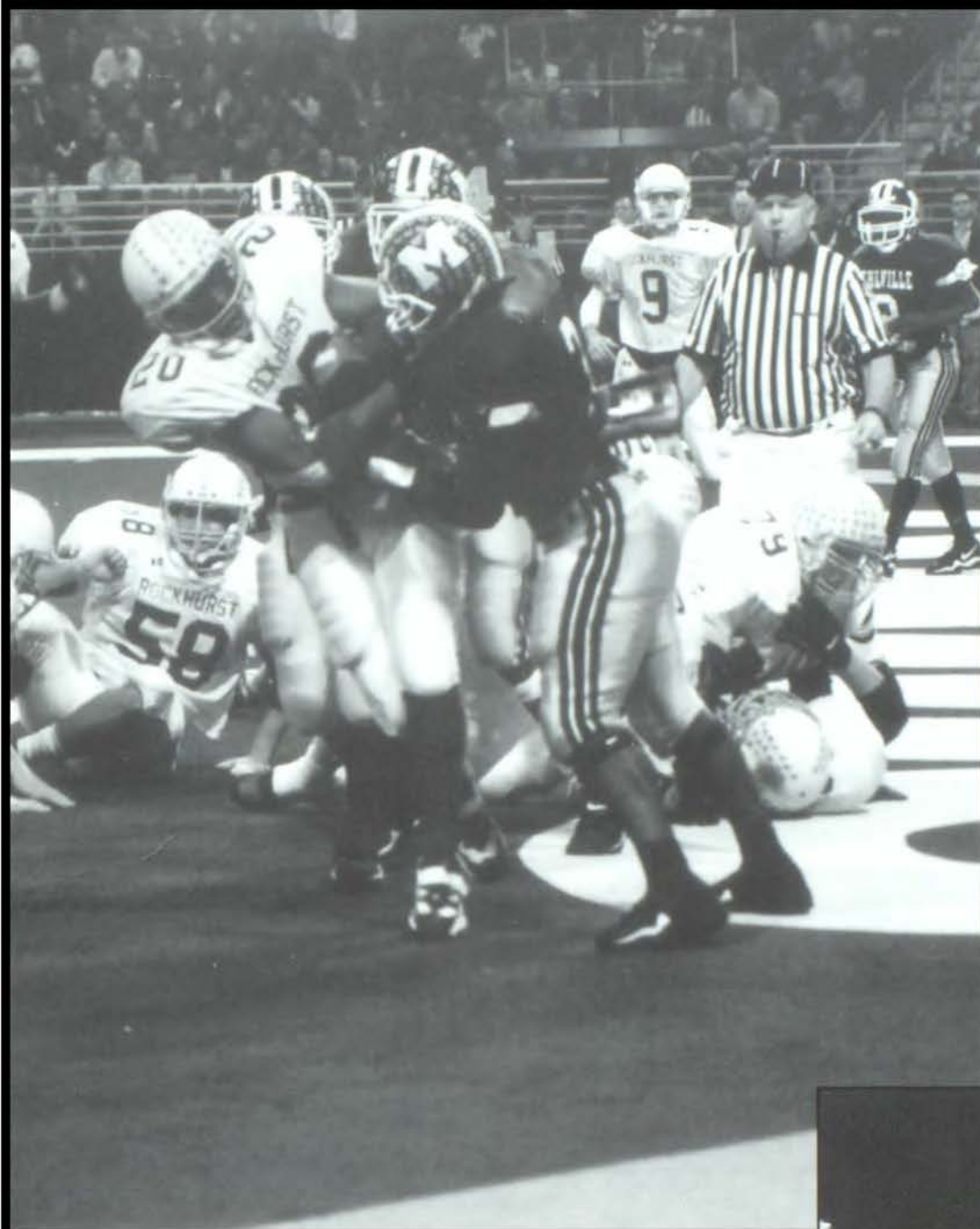
Brandon Shelby fights his way over Mehlville defenders for a touchdown in the State Championship game.



Photo by Danny Chiao

Senior Brett McCracken prepares to pitch the ball before being tackled.

FOOTBALL



"This was and will always be one of the greatest teams ever at the Rock."

Coach Tony Severino

VARSITY FOOTBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS
St. Thomas Aquinas	13 48
Blue Springs	35 52
Lee's Summit	6 40
Olathe North	1 28
St. Louis Sumner	18 41
Garden City	6 34
Jeff City	27 21
Lee's Summit North	6 30
North Kansas City	0 43
Raytown	15 56
Blue Springs South	6 36
Liberty	7 28
Jeff City	0 34
Mehlville	15 7

FINAL RECORD 12-2



Photo by Aaron Clevinger



The entire Rockhurst sideline watches as Brandon Shelby tries to get by Lee's Summit defenders and stay in bounds. Nick Boyd holds his ground against a lineman and allows Mike Griffin to look down field and complete a pass.



Photo by Matt Darby



Photo by Danny Chiao



Photo by Danny Chiao

Cal Gast and Mike Tiehen converge on a Mehlville running back to stop him at the line of scrimmage. The defensive line is ready to fire off the ball and hold the St. Thomas Aquinas offense to only 13 points. Jeff Snodgrass lines up a 35-yard field goal as Brett McCracken will put down the hold. Snodgrass made five field goals this year.



Photo by Aaron Clevinger

"We had a very powerful team, and an offensive line that created huge holes for me."

Brandon Shelby

A huge Rockhurst crowd watches as Mike Griffin completes a long pass against Aquinas. Alex Staab and Jason Dunsworth break the O-huddle.



Pinnacle

Brandon Shelby is keystone of talent laden team that reached the top of its game this season



Rockhurst High School Varsity Football

The Members of the Sports Team are: Front Row: Steve O'Connor, Brandon Sifers, Bret Springs, Dave Manning, Stephen Hiatt, Noah Strozier, Chris Cummings, Matt Smith, Rhett Parsons, Michael Griffin, Geoff Brown;; Row 2: Sal Cicero, Rich Whitney, Jeff Snodgrass, Sean Murphy, Brett McCracken, Colin Charbonneau, Kesler Pollard, Brandon Shelby, Jeff Otto, Alex Staab; Row 3: A.J. Kinsella, Tony Griddine, Corey Egan, Tom Porto, Dan Connel, Joe O'Connor, Chris Ryan, Robby Arthur, Marlon Butler, Jason Dunsworth, Ryan Anderson; Row 4: Joel Gustafson, Greg Bass, Matt McClusky, Brian Wilson, Kelly McMahon, Patrick Reed, Willie Ronan, Chris Clarkson, Andrew Zender, Jeff McCaffrey; Row 5: Kert Crowe, Peter Giangreco, Ryan Worth, Pat Kies, John Phelps, Paul Roher, Cal Gast, Jeff Dobbie, Mike Euston, John O'Connor, Matt Kopp; Row 6: Kevin Kane, Nick Capoccia, Adam Balentine, Chris Hapka, Brian Quarnstrom, Nick Boyd, Pat Stone, Ed Welsh, Dan Olson, Mike Frey; Row 7: Jeff Mincher, Pat Rosenthal, Tom Persley, Eric Vossman, Steve Clark, Chris Dukes, Matt Judy, Evan Mason, Colin McFarland, Brian Dreis, Andy Tiehen; Row 8: Michael Day, Durant Abernethy, Mike Tiehen, Trevin Reed, Scott Edmonds, Matt Weglarz, Phil Murphy, Corbin Keech, Eric Pashman, David Johnson; Row 9: Nate Heim, Billy Stack, Coach Frank Lyngar, Coach John Morris, Coach Tony Severino, Coach Eric Berg, Coach Buddy Worth, Coach Fred Campisano, Dan White, Eric Scanlon.

Unbeatable

JV and Sophomore players contribute to State Championship berth

The JV Football Team went 6-0 this year and upset its biggest rival, Jeff City, after trailing 7-0 at half time.

Head Coach Eric Berg said the highlight of the season was definitely the win against Jefferson City. The

the graduating seniors and strengthen the Varsity team. He is looking forward to next year and another undefeated season.

Story By Dustin Charapata

Trevin Reed,
Rich Whitney,
Dan Olsen, and
Rockhurst offense

Photo by Matt Darby



Photo by Matt Darby



Photo by Brandon Shelby

team pulled together at half-time and won, 28-7.

The JV team this year was led by juniors Alex Staab, Ryan Anderson, and Bryan Quarnstrom who, according to the coach, always seemed able to make the big plays. "They were consistent and helped pump up the team before games," said Coach Berg.

The team was disappointed it only got to play six games. "It would have been great to show a few other teams what we could do," said Staab.

Assistant Coach John Morris called all the offensive plays and coached the offensive line. He said the reason for success this year was teamwork.

"There weren't really any standout individuals. The team showed great effort on offense and defense because everyone played their hardest every play. We were successful because of teamwork," Coach Morris said.

"This year's team was marked by consistent improvement. The guys played their hardest and took advantage of all the opportunities they had," stated Coach Berg.

Coach Berg is sure this year's junior leaders will be able to fill the roles of

The Sophomore Football Team made their mark with a perfect 8-0 record, the first Sophomore Team to ever finish undefeated, according to team historian Coach Steve Ryan.

Highlights of the season included wins over all of the "Big Four" in the Kansas City Area, which consist of Liberty, Blue Springs, Blue Springs South, and Olathe.

Their biggest game was against Olathe North. In this heated rivalry, the Hawklets were down 33-14 going into the fourth quarter, and made an incredible comeback, scoring 22 unanswered points, to win 36-33.

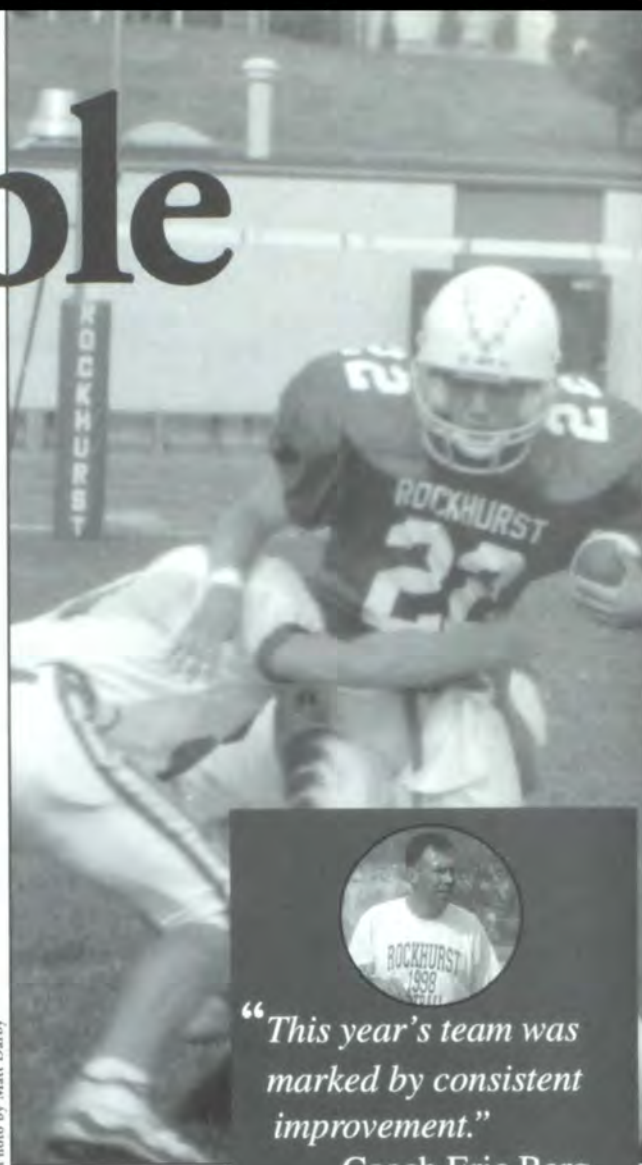
"The game was tough, but we kept are cool and never gave up and it paid off," said sophomore quarterback Johnny Sweeney.

This team was special and very talented, according to Head Coach Bernie Kreikemeier, "Finishing this year was special but being associated with this group of young men and coaches made it even more special," he said "Coach Matt Nolan and Coach Jeff Crowe worked hard to achieve excellence and had fun doing it."

Story by Danny Mulhern

Photo by Matt Darby

Tailback Alex Staab prepares to break away from a Jeff City defensive end and jump over Kesler Pollard in route to a first down.



"This year's team was marked by consistent improvement."

Coach Eric Berg JV FOOTBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS
St. Thomas Aquinas	7 43
Blue Springs	7 21
Lee's Summit	12 20
Olathe North	7 20
Jefferson City	13 28
Lee's Summit North	0 21

FINAL RECORD 6-0

SOPHOMORE FOOTBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS
Blue Springs	14 42
Olathe North	33 36
Cass Midway	0 27
Blue Springs South	0 22
Lee's Summit	6 27
Liberty	16 47
St. Thomas Aquinas	6 12
North Kansas City	12 36

FINAL RECORD 8-0



Rockhurst High School Sophomore Football

Front Row: David Ono, Steve Sharkey, Terry Anderson, Johnny Sweeney, Chris Bachkora, Mark Euston, Mike Burke; Row 2: Tim Burke, Cary Duckworth, Ryan Metzler, Lucas O'Neill, Adam Pummill, Tim Reidy; Row 3: Tim Thedinger, Abdul Yahaya, Mike Wiber, Pete Jokish, Danny Laughlin, Nathan Crowe; Row 4: Michael Sanem, Dominic Russo, Jeff Angold, Mike Stasi, Sean McClusky, Khule Mabery, Ryan McAuley; Row 5: Charlie Schloegel, Joe Sanders, Derek Eliste, Drew Switzer, Brian Fallon, Joe Tomlinson; Row 6: Dustin Orscheln, Charlie Bruscato, Titus Bond, Eric Vossman, Jess Conrad, Brent Scarbrough, Andy Clemons; Back Row: Stephen Eikerman, Brandon Hill, Coach Matt Nolen, Coach Bernie Kreikemeier, Coach Jeff Crowe, Matt Weglarz, and Danny White.



David Manning blocks a lineman so Jeff Snodgrass can boom a 40-yard punt to a speedy Jeff City returner. David Manning feels the pressure of a Jeff City linebacker and decides to roll out to the right before looking down field to complete a pass to Trevin Reed. By continuing to pump his feet, Alex Staab is able to pick up the extra yardage the Hawklets needed.



Photo by Matt Hofer

Strong Roots

Three freshmen squads were needed to provide experience for future varsity performers

There are five seconds left on the clock. Backup quarterback Phil Smith is put into the game with Rockhurst leading Aquinas by twelve points. Coach Griffin sends in a play to end the game but Smith audibles to a two

sive and defensive lines, said Coach Griffin. Story by Roland Sabates

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The Freshman B and C Football Teams proved that even though they

Coach Al Carruthers, KC Rudolph, Coach Frank Griffin, and Andrew Paterini



diver and halfback Marcus Perry runs for a touchdown. This depicts how the freshman A-team season went.

"These kids battled right to the very end. We could have taken a knee," said Coach Frank Griffin.

The A-team ended their season with a 6-2 record guided by Coach Griffin and assistant coaches Al Carruthers and Matt Nolen. Highlights of the season included an 8-0 win in overtime over Lee Summit North, and even though it was a heart-breaking 7-6 loss in the last 20 seconds, the Jeff City game was considered another quality experience.

"I was extremely proud of the players after the Jeff City loss," commented Coach Griffin.

"You haven't been around the 'block of life' until you have experienced a Rockhurst vs. Jeff City football game. Our freshmen team went to Jeff City and represented Rockhurst admirably, not just as players but as gentlemen with courage."

The team was led by quarterback Matt Nocita, among others. One of the greatest aspects of the team was the number of potential stars on the offen-

sive and defensive lines, said Coach Griffin. Story by Roland Sabates

played a difficult schedule they definitely have hope for the future. "There is always a few diamonds in the rough on the B-team," stated Head Coach Jim DeGraw.

Coached also by Mr. Rob Bergman and Mr. Jay Coleman, the B-team posted an impressive 5-3 record despite the fact that they played against four A teams. The squad was a perfect 4-0 against all of the B-teams played.

The highlight of the season was the exciting 12-8 comeback win over the St. Thomas Aquinas B-team. This year a tradition was also established for future freshman squads with the naming of the C-team as the "Cornuts".

Andrew Paterini was a standout player at starting fullback, middle linebacker, and kicker, according to Coach DeGraw. Evan Kopulos was considered another standout freshman who also played linebacker in addition to halfback.

The season was a memorable and crazy one for the coaches and players.

"At times I had gone out to the huddle and made up a play in the dirt," said Coach DeGraw.

Story by Roland Sabates



Coach Frank Griffin prepares to send in a play. Quarterback KC Rudolph completes a long pass downfield.



FRESHMEN FOOTBALL ON THE BOOKS

A-TEAM

OPPONENT	RHS
Hickman Mills	42 6
Blue Springs	22 8
Lee's Summit	12 6
KC Central	0 48
S. M. South	0 20
Jeff City	7 6
St. Thomas Aquinas	6 24
Lee's Summit North	0 8

FINAL RECORD 6-2

B-TEAM

OPPONENT	RHS
Lawrence South	38 0
St. Joseph Central	12 6
Blue Springs	0 28
Lee's Summit	0 20
Bishop Miege	6 20
St. Pius X	42 0
St. Thomas Aquinas	8 12
Lee's Summit North	0 23

FINAL RECORD 5-3

C-TEAM

OPPONENT	RHS
S.M. East	36 6
Center	36 0
Raymore-Peculiar	48 0
S.M. South	3 2
Park Hill South	22 0

FINAL RECORD 0-5

Eric Burton finds a seam in the middle of the field where he jumps up to pull down a pass. Brendan Wilson and Alex Ernst run an Aquinas running back out of bounds.



Nick Johnson tries to turn the corner and head up the sideline when he was wrapped up at the ankles by an Aquinas lineman. Andrew Elmer moves in motion as the center is about to hike the ball to quarterback Matt Nocita.



Rockhurst High School Freshmen Football

Front Row, Kyle Duffin, Matthew Sweeney, Greg Steffens, Kyle Teahan, David Tiehen, Cory Van Dyke, Ryan Van Dyke, Adam Webb, Collin White, Zach White, Brendan Wilson, Matt Wimssett, Matt Winger, Kit Zecy; second row, Trey Sabates, Jason Sabangh, Andrew Saleh, Kevin Sears, Robert Shin, Troy Sifers, Conner Smith, Philip Smith, Danny Smythe, Michael Staab, Philip Steed, John Strobb, Ben Sruve; third row, Kevin Reardon, Nick Cicero, Brady Poskin, Mike Prinds, Will Putnam, Blake Quaison, John Quinn, Anthony Quirarte, Michael Reardon, Kevin Reidy, Ross Renne, AJ Robine, Joel Rosas, KC Rudolph; fourth row, Matt Nagle, Rehan Nana, Danny Neenan, Rick Nelson, Noah Ney, Matt Nocita, TJ O'Connor, Brady O'Halloran, Andrew Paterini, Tyrone Perkins, Kyle Perez, Marcus Perry, Colin Pierson; fifth row, Dan Reichardt, Brad Long, Andy Lyle, Jimmy Maliszewski, Sal Marsalla, Joe McAdam, Justin McAuley, Scott McCaffrey, Ryan McCallum, Roman Minturn, Jaron More, Ryan Mulloy, Mark Munninghoff; sixth row, John Olshefski, Brian Kelly, Grant Keyser, Mike Kincaid, BJ King, GB Klingler, Brian Koenen, Alex Kopolos, TJ Kratofil, Colin Krug, Jacob Kruger, Joe LaSala, Samuel Lomasney; seventh row, Tom Graves, James Griffin, Adam Haake, Derek Hardin, Logan Heatwole, Kyle Hill, Dominic Hoferer, Tommy Houlehan, Dan Howard, Chase Johnson, Nicholas Johnson, Logan Keech; eighth row, Andrew Elmer, Alex Ernst, Jack Erwin, Michael Farrell, Grey Francis, Jesse Franke-Rose, John Friend, Michael Gabhart, Ryan Gound, Brian Graham, David Graham, Jake Grate; ninth row, Andrew Bradshaw, Eric Burton, Nick Callegari, Scott Campbell, Adrian Carson, Andrew Charlton, Anthony Claret, Andrew Clement, Phil Connealy, Dan Cooper, Tom Daly, Drew Davison; tenth row, Chris Adair, Michael Amini, Matt Anderson, Zach Appl, Brendan Arthur, David Bangert, Noah Beach, Charlie Bennett, Mark Bennett, Brian Betterman, Danny Boyd; back row, Coach Rob Bergman, Coach Frank Griffin, Coach Al Carruthers, Coach Jay Coleman, Coach Jim DeGraw

Run, Hawklets, Run!

Hawklets runners trampled competition all year long

Sparked by unity, dedication, and much running, the varsity cross country team came together to have one of the best squads ever, according to head coach, Mr. Mike Dierks. Lead by seniors Chris Brown, Rory Donnelly, Adam Flack and Derrick McCallum, the squad returned to Sectionals for the first time in nine years. Mr. Dierks was assisted this year by long-time cross country coach, Dr. Jorge

team plans to build on this year, according to Mr. Dierks. With seven junior lettermen and 22 sophomores returning, things look good for next year's squad.

The RHS community should be very happy with this year's team. As Mr. Dierks said, "I am extremely proud to be associated with such fine young men."

..... Story by Patrick Jakopchik

Coach Dr. Jorge Taracido, Bob Kehm, Brendan Metzler, and Derek McCallum

Photo by Matt Darby



Photo by Matt Darby



Photo by Ryan Fagan

Taracido and new instructor, Mr. Rich Sullivan.

The togetherness of the team encouraged everyone. "The unity displayed by this team was simply amazing," Junior Chris Winger said. Mr. Dierks attributed the strong bond of the team to the time the squad spent together in the Ozarks. In late October, Mr. Dierks took the team for a weekend of running hills and bonding.

Due in part to this unity, the team was able to overcome quite a bit of inexperience. Four of the Varsity runners had never been to Districts and, amazingly, three of them had never even competed before this year. The hard work and constant training paid off for these "rookies" as the team qualified for Sectionals for the first time since the 1990 season.

Donnelly, a new runner himself, placed 14th out of 162 runners in the State competition, and Chris Brown, the Golden Spikes winner, finished 64th. The team unfortunately, after a 7th place finish at Sectionals, did not go on to the State Championship.

While they did not reach their "ultimate goal" of going to State, the

With the help of Dr. Taracido guiding the freshmen and Mr. Sullivan helping to coach the Junior Varsity, Coach Dierks and his team did what most consider a fantastic job this year.

"If not the best, then definitely one of the top two or three seasons ever," said Coach Dierks.

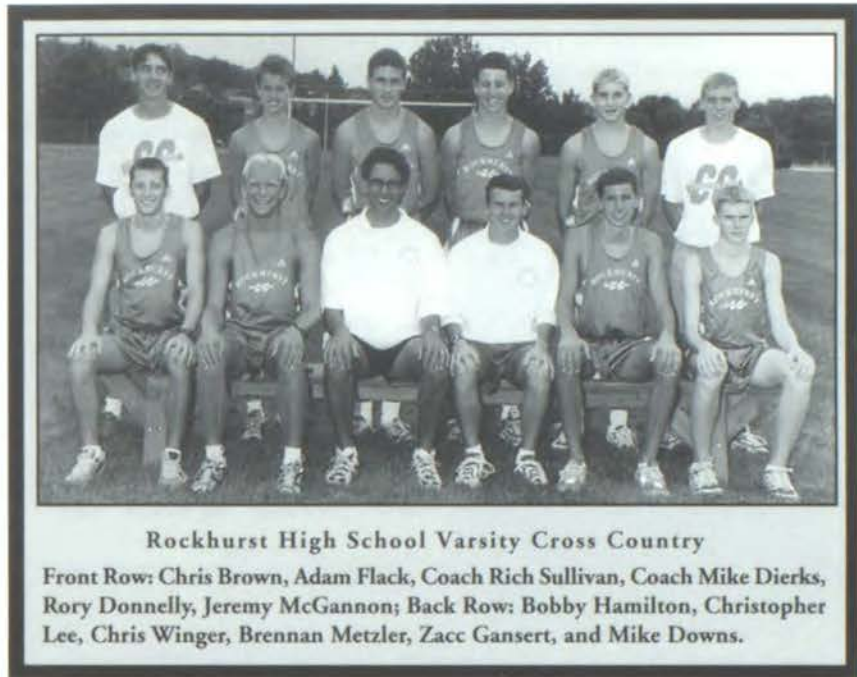
The 1999 JV and Freshmen Cross Country Teams helped push the Varsity members Chris Brown and Rory Donnelly to qualify for Sectionals for the first time since 1990. "Not only that, but they were all strong throughout the entire year," added Coach Dierks. For the freshmen, it was the same situation all year round. For example, they won first place at their meet in Raymore Peculiar, the only first place finish that the freshmen have had since 1987.

Both the freshmen and JV teams had their own outstanding members this year. The freshmen boasted of, Karl Kline, Adam Wesley, Sean Kooney, and Michael Stacy. On the JV, some of the future prospects are Chris Lee, Pat Ishmael, Nick Herold, and Zach Gansert. Story by Ryan Fagan

CROSS COUNTRY

Photo by John Rogler





Rockhurst High School Varsity Cross Country
 Front Row: Chris Brown, Adam Flack, Coach Rich Sullivan, Coach Mike Dierks, Rory Donnelly, Jeremy McGannon; Back Row: Bobby Hamilton, Christopher Lee, Chris Winger, Brennan Metzler, Zacc Gansert, and Mike Downs.



Photo by Matt Darby



"I am extremely proud to be associated with such fine young men."

Coach Mike Dierks

ROCKHURST **VARSITY** **CROSS COUNTRY** **ON THE BOOKS**

<u>TOURNAMENT</u>	<u>RHS</u>
Truman Invitation (8 Teams)	6th
MU Challenge (18)	7th
Olathe South Relay (8)	8th
Ray-Pec Invitational (13)	2nd
Liberty Invitational (12)	8th
K.C. Metro Chmps. (24)	6th
Grandview Invitational (12)	3rd
District 7 Championships (8)	4th
Sectional Championships (8)	7th

Rory Donnelly runs far ahead of the pack. Coach Sullivan points to where the race will start. Brendan Metzler struggles to finish the 3.1 miles. Chris Brown fights to catch up with fellow Hawklet Adam Flack. Chris Lee keeps a steady pace and stays ahead of Warrensburg runners.



Photo by Daniel Heryer



Photo by Charles Bush



Photo by Ryan Fagan

Jordan Jump uses his long stride to propel himself to the finish line and a top ten finish. An exhausted Austin Trombley sprawls out on the ground after a tough race where he struggled to finish. Chris Winger explodes out of the middle of the pack in order to get up front and set the pace.



Photo by Charles Bush

“The coaches are so knowledgeable that you can put all of your trust in them ...”

Rory Donnelly



Photo by Ryan Fagan



Photo by Jesse White



Rockhurst High School Junior Varsity Cross Country

Front Row: Mike Downs, Ryan Bly, Joe Johnson, Bobby Hamilton; Row 2: Jordan Jump, Jim Conwell, Neil Griggs, Coach Rich Sullivan, Coach Mike Dierks, Alex Artigas, Bob Kehm, Nick Herold; Row 3: Kevan Lair, Tony Tran, Brandon Yano, Will Petrie, Jamie Lee, Richard Hwang, Jack Trotter; Row 4: Charles Bush, Austin Trombley, Justin Huggins, Matthew Harris, Dan Asikainen, Stephen Martin, Blaine Barnard, Derek McCallum; Back Row: Jeremy Allen, Jim Goetz, Jim Becker, Ethan Haynes, Patrick Ishmael, and Christopher Zaylor.



Endurance

Hard work pays off as Chris Brown and Rory Donnelly compete at the State meet



Photo by Danile Hervey



Rockhurst High School Freshmen Cross Country

Front row: Alex Singleton, Andrew Perry, Kevin Brown, Coach Rich Sullivan, Coach Mike Dierks, Michael Stacy, Ryan McHugh, Carl Kline III; Row 2: Sean Cooney, Truong Nguyen, and Devin Whiteaker.



Photo by Matt Darby



Nick Herold pumps his arms and keeps a Lawrence Free State runner behind him. Junior Charles Bush keeps his knees high and his eyes set on the finish line. Chris Brown rubs up against another runner before leaving him in his dust.

Final Four!

New Head Coach sparks fire beneath team and leads them to third place at State

Head Coach Mark Nusbaum, Juniors Alex Staab, Jim Greffet, and Scott Edmonds

Photo by Will Banning



Photo by Colin Koranda



Photo by Brandon D. Shelby

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The Varsity Basketball team, under new Head Coach Mark Nusbaum, used a ten man rotation to place third in the Missouri State Tournament.

"When I came here, I saw potential and a good work ethic, but I had no idea we would go so far early," said Coach Nusbaum.

The 1999-2000 Hawklets were led by senior Mike Frey, and juniors Tom Komoroski and Mike Day.

"Komoroski was an all-around player. He was a triple threat, and he could play defense," said Day.

The rest of the ten-man rotation was filled by Brian Carson, Alex Staab, Jim Greffet, Noah Strozier, Scott Edmonds, Matt Smith and John Mayberry.

"We had a lot of good role players who would go into a game, play within themselves, and let the game come to them," said Coach Nusbaum.

The Hawklets were buoyed by wins over rival St. Thomas Aquinas and the #1 ranked district team, Jeff City.

"The whole month of February was incredible for us as the student body got behind us and we won nine straight games," said Coach Nusbaum.

Throughout the season, the Hawklets had to cope with injuries from five men out of their ten-man rotation. Smith and Edmonds both missed more than ten games.

"It is so hard to have to sit on the bench and watch the game without being able to make a physical difference in it," said Edmonds.

In the final polls, the Hawklets were ranked third in State, second in the *Kansas City Star*, and sixth by Metro Sports. Day and Komoroski received individual accolades as Komoroski was named First Team All District, Second Team All State, and Honorable Mention All Metro and Day was named Second Team All District.

"The expectations are now very high for us," said Coach Nusbaum. "We will have a lot of returning players and will be expected to be a powerhouse." Story by John Linhoff

Mike Day runs down the court and manages to block a lay-up by a Blue Springs South guard in the State quarter finals game. Tom Komoroski establishes good rebounding position as Mike Day takes a jump shot over a Washington defender.

BASKETBALL

Photo by Josh Polsinelli

Photo by Josh Polsinelli

Photo by Kert Crowe





Photo by Danny Chan



Photo by Daniel Herzer

Jim Greffet separates himself from an Aquinas defender and banks in a basket. John Mayberry wins the tip for Rockhurst against Topeka Hayden, and the Hawklets were able to eventually win the game. *Bottom:* Good defense by Alex Staab helped the Hawklets to hold Creighton Prep to under 50 points.



Photo by Will Ranning



Rockhurst High School Varsity Basketball

Front Row: Manager Eric Scanlon, Noah Strozier, Brett Allred, Kevin Reardon, **Second Row:** Alex Staab, Jim Greffet, Matt Smith, Kyle Teahan, John Mayberry, Mike Day, Ryan Watson, Matt Ferguson, **Third Row:** Scott Edmonds, Brian Carson, Coach Pete Campbell, Coach John Morris, Coach Mark Nusbaum, Mike Frey, Tom Komoroski, **Not Pictured:** Geoff Brown, Steve O' Connor.



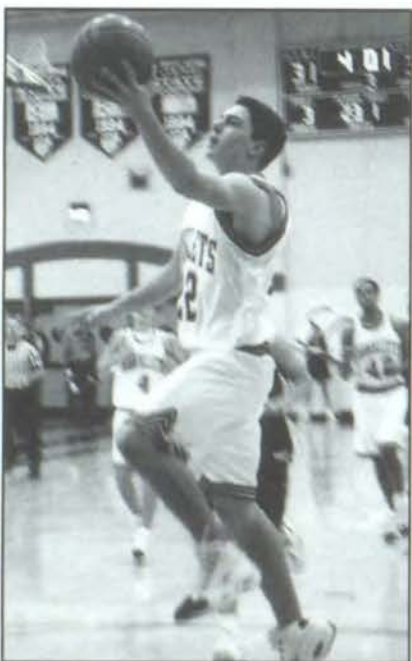
“Komoroski was an all-around player. He was a triple threat, and he would always play defense.”

Mike Day

Photo by Will Banning



Photo by Daniel Hervey



Alex Staab uses his left hand to make a lay-up versus Topeka Hayden. *Top:* Brian Carson calls for the ball as he posts up a Creighton defender. Mike Frey shows determination as he gets his own rebound and puts it back up.

Photo by Colin Koranda



Photo by Will Banning



Determination

Hawklets utilize a ten-man rotation to achieve their goals



Photo by Brandon D. Shelby



Photo by Daniel Herget

VARSITY BASKETBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENTS	RHS	
Lee's Summit	59	52
Washington	40	70
Ft. Smith (AK)	61	47
St. Joe Central	39	65
S.M. North	61	65
St. Thomas Aquinas	55	64
Hickman Mills	58	51
Winnetonka	50	63
William Chrisman	45	61
Cameron	61	56
Lawrence	60	50
Rock Bridge	52	40
K.C. Central	42	43
C.B.C.	62	44
Hazelwood East	53	70
Bishop Miege	63	50
Topeka Hayden	56	64
Daniel J. Grass	50	53
O'hara	57	66
S.M. East	60	48
Wyandotte	73	70
St. Pius X	53	60
Creighton Prep.	49	57
Northeast	43	76
Jeff City	43	63
DISTRICTS		
West Port	58	48
K.C. Central	63	48
Raytown	49	67
SECTIONAL		
Liberty	63	72
QUARTER FINAL		
Blue Springs South	48	60
SEMI-FINAL		
Desmet	59	48
CONSOLATION		
Francis Howell North	44	64

FINAL RECORD 21-11

Coach Mark Nusbaum talks strategy to the team during the Aquinas game. *Top:* Tom Komoroski shoots a three-pointer over the outreached hand of a Desmet defender in a semi-final game. Mike Day shows his agility and poise as he draws the foul and makes the basket.



"We played with a lot of heart and intensity when we walked on the floor."

Coach Mo

JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	RHS
Lee's Summit	43	58
Washington	40	59
Aquinas	54	44
Hickman Mills	48	55
Lawrence	34	64
Rockbridge	24	58
Central	38	50
Miege	39	59
Aquinas	63	54
O'Hara	55	74
S.M. East	44	70
Wyandotte	31	56
St. Pius	38	73
Creighton Prep.	47	43
Northeast	40	84
Jeff City	51	55

FINAL RECORD 13-3

Sophomore Basketball On The Books

OPPONENT	RHS	RHS
Blue Springs	46	78
St. Thomas Aquinas	56	73
Hickman Mills	25	81
Blue Valley N.W.	40	58
S.M. East	35	59
Blue Valley North	16	54
Lee's Summit	39	69
St. Thomas Aquinas	40	57
Raytown	27	68
S.M. North	33	66
Lee's Summit North	41	46
Blue Valley	24	63
Blue Springs South	49	78
S.M. North	40	74
Grandview	28	84
Winnemoka	52	91
Lawrance "A"	45	55
Lawrance "B"	45	68
Blue Springs	39	56
S.M. East	44	67

FINAL RECORD 20-0



Rockhurst High School Junior Varsity Basketball

Front Row: Brett Allred, Adam Sheridan; Row 2: Steve O'Connor, Rich Whitney, Kevin Sears, Eric Burtin, Matt Ferguson, Chris Cummings, Noah Strozier, Coach John Morris, Kyle Teahan, Eric Vossman, Wade Muller, John Mayberry, Kyle Francis, Adrian Carson, Coach Pete Campbell.



Photo by Nick Schuller

Top right: Eric Vossman jumps higher than his opponent on the tip-off and wins it for the Rock. *Middle right:* Guard Brandon Hill breaks the press against St. Thomas Aquinas, the Saints were defeated twice by the Hawklets. *Above:* Forward Kyle Francis timed the rebound perfectly and was able to grab it and get the foul from #50 of Northeast. *Right:* Kevin Kane demonstrates the effectiveness of a good left hand as he sinks this shot over two Hickman Mills defenders.



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John Mayberry comes up with a big two-out hit to score Terry Anderson.

VARSITY BASEBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	
Bishop Ward	6	14
Bishop O'Hara	5	14
Grandview	0	10
Blue Springs	18	6
Piper	15	14
Piper	15	12
McClure North	4	6
Jeff City	13	1
Columbia Hickman	5	4
Bishop Miege	3	2
Bishop Miege	7	8
Blue Vally N.W.	8	3
Lawrence Free State	6	10
Hickman Mills	0	16
Grandview	8	14
Blue Valley	9	10
Blue Valley	1	11
St. Thomas Aquinas	4	3
St. Thomas Aquinas	11	6
Bishop Ward	4	7
Truman	3	10
Raytown	1	3
DISTRICTS		
Belton	2	7
Lee's Summit	3	8
Raymore-Peculiar	3	8
SECTIONS		
Raytown South	4	6
QUARTERFINALS		
Liberty	6	3
FINAL RECORD 17-10		



Photo by Kevin Moore

Jeff Brown pitches from the stretch trying to keep a St. Thomas Aquinas runner close to first base. Josh Williams, the leadoff hitter, starts a game off by getting on base for the big hitters.



Photo by Kevin Moore

David Manning and Raymond Chang made up the defensively solid left side of the infield. Their defense towards the end of the season helped to propel the Hawklets to victory.

John Mayberry hits a deep fly ball over the head of the center fielder in the Hawklets game against St. Thomas Aquinas. Junior Raymond Chang eyes the Blue Springs pitcher trying to get a good jump as he tries to steal second base.



"I knew we would be good, but I didn't know we would get so far."

David Manning

Photo by Kevin Moore



Photo by Danny Chaio



Photo by Kevin Moore



Photo by Kevin Moore

Raymond Chang awaits the delivery from an Aquinas pitcher, so he can drive the ball deep into left-center field.



"It was very special being able to do so well during my senior year."

Josh Williams

Bright Future

Leadership of five seniors paves way for next year's success



Photo by Kevin Moore



Photo by Kert Crowe



Rockhurst High School Varsity Baseball

Front Row: Brian Wall, Josh Williams, Ryan Anderson, Steve Murphy, John Linhoff, Terry Anderson; Row 2: Justin McFarland, David Manning, David Hayob, Raymond Chang, Ryan Kisner, Stephen Hiatt, Brandon Shelby, Coach Jim Degraw; Row 3: Coach Matt Nolen, Joe Burke, Ryan Worth, Geoff Brown, John Mayberry, Justin Quick, Coach Bernie Kreikemierer; Not Pictured: Andy Womack.

Geoff Brown and Stephen Hiatt both pitch. They were a big part of the pitching staff.

Solid Talent

Coach Campbell successfully utilizes skills of young players

The JV Baseball team, despite lacking experience, put together a successful season finishing with a record of 12-4.

First-year Coach Pete Campbell said his job wasn't too difficult, despite

win against rival St. Thomas Aquinas.

"We really wanted to beat those guys because they were able to take two from the Varsity," said Pummill.

But the season did not come without letdowns, and the biggest one,

Coach Pete Campbell, John Mike D'Agostino, John Sweeney, and Coach Campbell with Andy Janisch



coaching a team made up of entirely sophomores and one freshman. In contrast the varsity was predominantly filled with juniors, with only five seniors and three sophomores.

"These guys were already good enough at baseball. I just tried not to mess them up," Coach Campbell said.

Although the team had a constant battle for facilities, it did not affect their playing, according to Coach Campbell. For the most part, the Junior Varsity practiced with the Varsity either at 3&2 or Avila College.

"It's an organizational headache trying to figure out where you're going to be everyday, but it didn't affect our performance," Coach Campbell said.

Some highlights of the season came from the offense of sophomore Matt Weglarz who led the team in batting average, hits and home runs. When he was hitting good the entire team played very well, according to Coach Campbell.

Sophomore Adam Pummill's two-run single in the bottom of the eighth inning gave the Hawklet's a walkoff

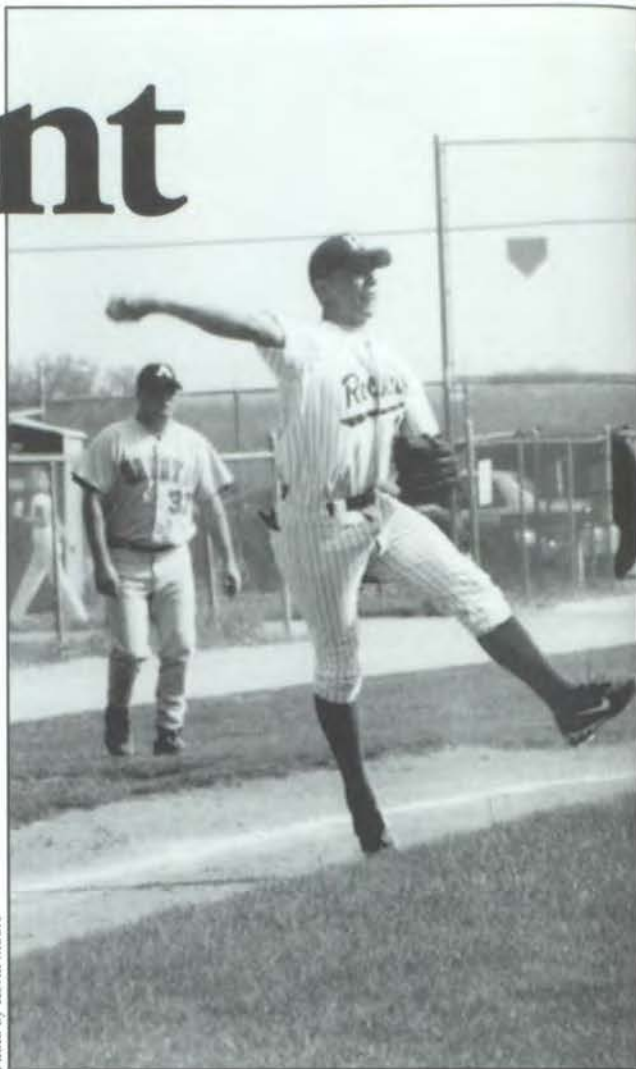
according to Coach Campbell, came against Blue Valley Northwest.

"We lost two games in a double header to them when we were probably better athletically, but we just weren't playing that day," he said.

Story by Ed Bessenbacher



Paul Damon charges hard and makes a snap throw to get an Aquinas runner. Chris Bachkora hits an inside pitch down the left field line for a double. Matt Wormington takes a cut at a pitch, but he is only able to foul it off and stay alive.





Rockhurst High School Junior Varsity Baseball

Front Row: Adam Pummill, John Sweeney, Paul Damon, Brandon Hill, Chris Bachkora, Matt Wormington; Row 2: John Mike D'Agostino, Andrew Pickert, Coach Pete Campbell, Matt Weglarz, Andy Janish.

Sophomore catcher Matt Weglarz awaits a pitch from a RHS pitcher.



Photo by Kevin Moore



"These guys were good enough at baseball. I just tried not to mess them up."

Coach Pete Campbell

J.V. BASEBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	
Bishop Ward	2	11
Grandview	3	11
O'hara	5	16
Blue Valley North	13	6
Blue Valley North	5	3
Miege	5	9
Miege	1	11
Blue Valley	6	10
Blue Valley	1	9
St. Thomas Aquinas	3	2
St. Thomas Aquinas	8	9
Blue Valley North	4	10
Blue Valley North	5	3
Bishop Ward	2	12
Park Hill South	6	21
Raytown	0	10
FINAL RECORD		12-4

John Mike D'Agostino stretches out to steal an infield single from a Raytown runner. Freshman Kevin Sears fields a bunt and checks the runner at third before making the out. Andrew Pickert throws a fast ball to a Raytown batter.



Photo by Jeremy Garton



Photo by Kevin Moore



Photo by Jeremy Garton



Stellar Finish

Slow start yields way to nine-game winning streak at end of season

The freshmen baseball team posted a 12-4 record and accomplished its goal of avenging a discouraging loss to Blue Springs at the beginning of the

season. "Beating Blue Springs and winning the Blue Springs Tournament rallied the team at the end of the year and was a great conclusion to the season," said freshman pitcher T.J. O'Connor. Although the team lost three of their first six games, they lost only one more and won their last nine games. It was an impressive run which had all the parents, coaches, and players wanting more. According to Coach Jim Bascom, it took the team awhile to gel but once they did they were unstoppable. "The team hit some bumps early in the season, but we pulled together at the end to win our last nine games. It was fun and exciting to find out what we were capable of doing," commented freshman pitcher Jeff Fahey. Coach Bascom commented that the

Nate Ney,
Jeff Fahey,
Nick Kinney, and
Jeff Fahey



season.

team was led offensively by O'Connor and Zack White. Over the season they were the big hitters because they were consistent and provided power. Their bats could spark the whole team to play at a new level. Defensively, the team was led by Jon Strobl, Mike Comiskey, and Fahey who made game-saving plays in key games.

"An air-tight infield is a powerful force, especially for the confidence of our pitchers," Coach Bascom said. "We were fortunate to have a talented and hard-working group. They were solid in every aspect of the game, came together as a team, and won the last nine games," Coach Bascom said.

Story by Dustin Charapata

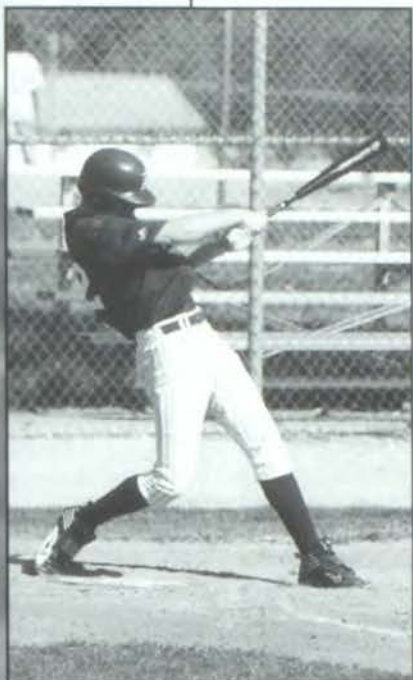
Freshmen Nick Kinney throws a strike to a Bishop Ward batter striking him out and ending the inning. The freshmen come together after a win for a "1, 2, 3, ROCK".

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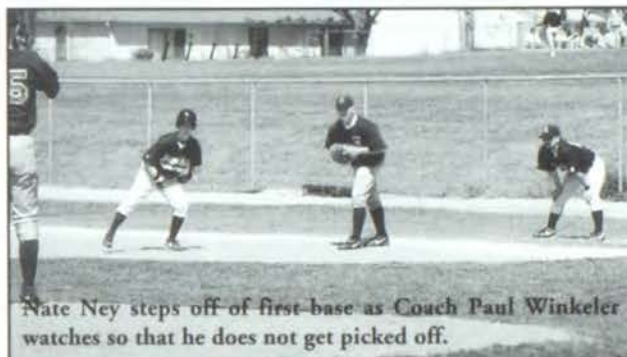
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Zach White looks at an inside pitch and drives it down the third base line. Coach Jim Bascom has a conference on the mound with pitcher T.J. O'Connor and the infield.



Nate Ney steps off of first base as Coach Paul Winkeler watches so that he does not get picked off.

FRESHMEN BASEBALL ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	RHS
Bishop Ward	4	10
Blue Valley	9	1
Blue Valley	3	9
Blue Springs	11	1
St. Thomas Aquinas	1	7
St. Thomas Aquinas	6	3
B. V. Northwest	6	15
Bishop Ward	6	17
Olathe South	5	3
Olathe South	2	10
Bishop Miege	2	10
Bishop Miege	2	9
Grandview	0	23
Blue Valley North	0	10
<u>Blue Springs Tournament</u>		
Blue Springs South	10	16
Blue Springs	8	12
FINAL RECORD	12-4	



Rockhurst High School Freshmen Baseball

Front Row: Justin McGrew, Matt Reinsel; Row 2: T.J. O'Connor, Matt Nocita, Mike Comiskey, Andrew Bradshaw, Blake Quason, Jordan Bastable, John Strobl; Row 3: Nate Ney, Matt Anderson, Mike Reardon, Alex Kopulos, Mike Staab, Brady Poskin; Row 4: Coach Jim Bascom, Jeff Fahey, Zach White, Nick Kinney, Kevin Sears, Marcus Perry, Coach Paul Winkeler.

Sweet Three-Peat

Senior-dominated team showed it's experience and maturity, winning State by one stroke

Josh Polsinelli,
Mitch Kelly,
Kirk Wood, and
Matt Stabler



Photos by John Rogler

Several veteran golfers helped capture Rockhurst's third consecutive State Championship.

"At the beginning of the season I told the team they needed to peak twice, once at Jeff City and again at State," said Head Coach Steve Ryan. "It's great to have a team work so hard to achieve a goal, and this team did."

One of the pillars of the team, according to Coach Ryan, was junior Mitch Kelly.

"This was Mitch's first year on Varsity and without him we wouldn't have made first place at Districts," commented Coach Ryan.

The other big contributors on this year's team were senior returning lettermen Brent Kriegshauser, Josh Polsinelli, and Kirk Wood. According to Coach Ryan, Polsinelli "saved the team's bacon" at State by beating his opponent by one stroke to take second place in the tournament. Wood shot a 75 on the last day of the champion-

ship to tie for fourth place.

Kriegshauser, however, did not do as well as expected. When asked why, Coach Ryan said it was because of his many activities at school, and fatigue.

"Kriegshauser had beaten his opponent at State three times previously and was really due for a loss," stated Coach Ryan. "However, Kriegshauser was instrumental at getting us to State. Overall, I'd say he gave the team a great four years."

One of the coaches biggest fears was that the team might have become fatigued. During Districts at the end of April, Coach Ryan was becoming concerned the team was tired both physically and mentally due to all the work and many matches the team had.

"Hopefully next year's team will continue the tradition with the talent of Mitch Kelly, Ryan Davis, TJ Kratofil, Jeff Kratofil, Pat O'Brien, Pat O'Neill, and Ryan Mellgaard," said Coach Ryan. Story by Jeremy Garton

Top right: In a round at Swope Memorial, senior Josh Polsinelli prepares to launch the ball down the fairway. Kirk Wood finishes his swing and watches as the ball flies towards the green.

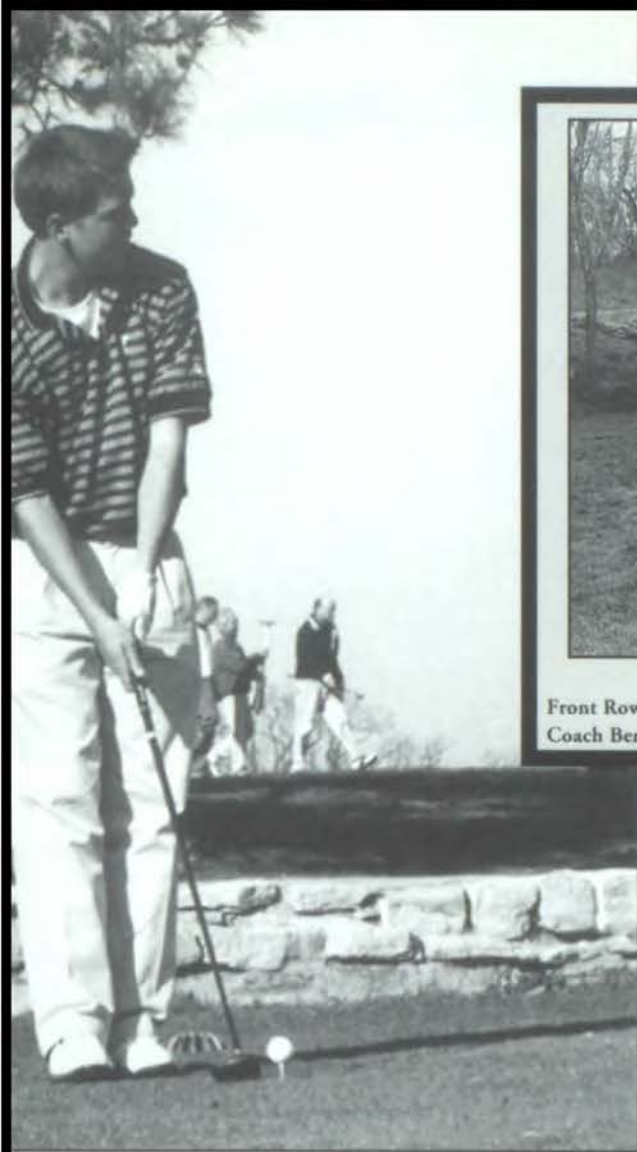


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GOLF



Rockhurst High School Varsity Golf

Front Row: Brent Kriegshauser, Kevin Ward, Ryan Davis, Kirk Wood, Matt Stabler; Row 2: Mike Loftus, Coach Bert Roney, Coach Steve Ryan, Coach Mike O'Leary, Mitch Kelly; Not Pictured: Josh Polsinelli.



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VARSITY GOLF ON THE BOOKS

- Olathe East - Tie 155-155
- Miege - Won 145-157
- Columbia Classic - 1ST (9 teams)
- St. Louis - 2nd place (24 teams)
- Triangular (1ST)
- Park Hill South - 338
- Park Hill - 337
- Rockhurst - 328
- Columbia Hickman - Won 311-323
- Triangular (1ST)
- St. Joseph - 317
- Rockhurst - 301
- Raytown - 325
- Springfield ALDO SEBEEN - 2ND (13 teams)
- Blue Springs - Won 144-161
- Triangular (1ST)
- Lee Summit - 157
- Lee Summit North - 159
- Rockhurst - 148
- Jeff City Tourney - 1ST (21 teams)
- Richmond Invitational - 3RD (24 teams)
- Pem Day - Won 315-318
- Districts - 1ST (10 teams)
- St. Joseph Central - Won 327-308
- State Championship - 1ST (16 teams)

Kirk Wood lines up a 15-foot birdy putt that would put him under par. Top: Senior Kevin Ward watches as his 3-foot par putt finds the bottom of the cup. Top left: The Varsity Golf Team takes a break from celebrating their State Championship to take a picture. Brent Kriegshauser gets up and down from the sand during a round at Swope Memorial.

Influence

Young players follow example of Varsity team and give hope for future

The Junior Varsity Golf Team proved to be one of the best ever by their impressive average scores and several victories over Varsity opponents. They were very confident even

best," Coach O'Leary said.

"We all really had a great season. We felt a real sense of accomplishment by defeating several Varsity teams," said Kelly.

Ryan Davis,
Ryan Davis,
Ryan Davis, and
Jeff Kratofil



in the face of older Varsity teams. The team competed in five tournaments, taking 1st place at the Lee's Summit Tournament, three 2nd place finishes, at the William Jewell, Ray-Pec, and Raytown Tournaments, and a 10th place finish out of 23 teams at the Blue Springs Tournament.

"It was good to see our young players being so competitive and ambitious. The varsity team will need to utilize some of their talents next year," according to Coach Steve Ryan.

"This was the most competitive year we've ever had on the Junior Varsity level. There was so much young talent. It really brought out the best in all of our golfers and coaches," said Coach Mike O'Leary.

Key players included juniors Mitch Kelly, Pat O'Brien, and Jeff Kratofil, and sophomore Par O'Neill. Hard work and success at the tournaments challenged the Varsity players to perform better to keep their spot on the team.

"The idea of being able to play on the Varsity team, at some point, always helps drive our golfers to shoot their

"I believe that we played to the best of our abilities this season. We are very happy with our performances," said O'Brien.

Coach O'Leary looks forward to next season. "We have a lot of great talent coming up next year. It was fun watching these young men compete."

Story by Andrew Zender



Photo by Will Banning

Ryan Davis uses a smooth stroke to save par from 15-feet. *Top right:* Mitch Kelly watches as Jeff Kratofil's ball flies 20-yards farther than his. Kratofil drives the ball deep down the middle of the fairway.



Photo by Will Banning

The JV Golf team talks strategy before a match. T.J. Kratofil explodes into his tee shot driving it right down the fairway.



Rockhurst High School Junior Varsity Golf

Front Row: Zack Appl, Joseph Armanees, T.J. Kratofil, Deron Cherry, Mike Illig; Row 2: Ryan Melgaard, Colin Groves, Pat O'Neil, Pat O'Brien, Ben Nachbar, Matt Ovel; Row 3: Jeff Kratofil, Coach Bert Roney, Coach Steve Ryan, Coach Mike O'Leary, Peter King.

**JUNIOR VARSITY GOLF
ON THE BOOKS**

<u>TOURNAMENT</u>	
Lee's Summit	1st
William Jewell	2nd
Ray-Pec	2nd
Raytown	2nd
Blue Springs	10th



Photo by Will Banning



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Mitch Kelly concentrates on the ball trying to make sure he does not shank it. Top: Ryan Melgaard looks up and sees his ball traveling right where he was aiming. Peter King chips it on the green from 50-yards out.

Sweet Five-Peat

Tennis Team proves unbeatable, capturing 5th straight State Title

Led by senior Andy Metzler who won the singles competition, the Tennis Team took its fifth straight Missouri 4-A State Championship.

The Hawklets were playing their

sophomore Brad Martin. These returning lettermen proved to be a very solid nucleus for the team and were tough to beat all year.

"This is my fourth year and I've

Sam Davidson,
Ryan Osgood,
Sam Davidson,
and Ryan Osgood

Photo by Kevin Moore



Photo by Kevin Moore



Photo by Kevin Moore



Photo by Kert Crowe



best tennis and the State competition proved to be only a small obstacle to the Hawklet's success.

"With the way we played and the competition that was given to us, I am thoroughly impressed with the team," said Coach Ron Geldhof. "There is nothing these boys can't do."

The tennis squad was not lacking in experience which played a major part in this year's success. The team had five returning lettermen, seniors Andy Metzler, Ben Bawden, Ryan Osgood, junior Sam Davidson, and

seen four State Championships. We couldn't get any better," said Metzler. The team gained experience and momentum for it's run at the State Title by taking third place in the Shawnee Mission Indoor Tournament, second in the St. Thomas Aquinas Tournament, first in the St. Joe Central and the St. Louis Tournament of Champions.

"It's very gratifying to see the years of hard work these players have put in be rewarded so finely," remarked Coach Geldhof. Story by Ryan Fagan

Senior singles champion Andy Metzler uses a powerful serve to go up on his opponent 40-15. Coach Bill Munninghoff, Ryan Reid, Ben Bawden, and Coach Ron Geldhof celebrate after winning state.

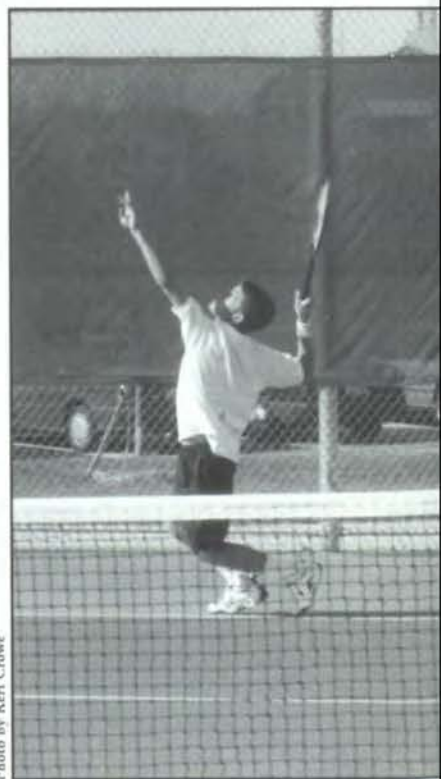
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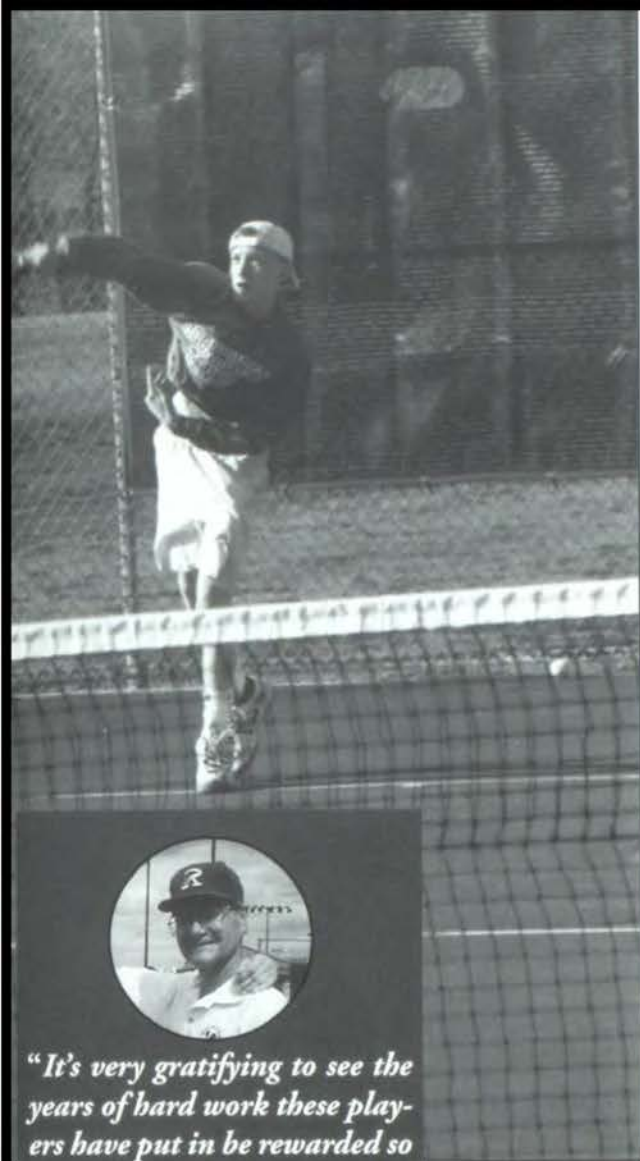
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TENNIS



Junior Sam Davidson shows his good service form that allowed himself and Brad Martin to place second at State in doubles.



Leon Harden positions himself to return a serve with a nice forehand. The MSHSAA champions line up for a picture after winning the State Title.

Photo by Kert Crowe



"It's very gratifying to see the years of hard work these players have put in be rewarded so finely."

Coach Ron Geldhof

VARSITY TENNIS ON THE BOOKS

DUAL TOURNAMENTS

OPPONENT	RHS
Blue Valley Northwest	0 9
Blue Valley Noth	1 8
Lee's Summit North	1 8
St. Joe Central	1 8
Pembroke Hill	2 8
Shawnee Mission East	0 9
Oak Park	0 9
St. Thomas Aquinas	0 9
Blue Springs South	0 9

SECTIONALS

Libery	0 6
St. Joe Central	0 6

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Columbia Hickman	0 5
Kirkwood	2 5



Senior Ryan Osgood puts a slice on his serve so that his opponent does not even have a chance for a return. Andy Metzler shows his fierce determination and concentration as he waits for the ball, so he can pound it into his opponent's court.



Photo by Kert Crowe

Jack Smedlie uses a forehand to place the tennis ball right on the baseline of his opponents court. *Far right:* Darren Chiao flies up to the net and lofts the ball over the head of his opponent.



"This is my fourth year and I have seen four State Championships."

Andrew Metzler



Top: Mitch Paone keeps his head down and on the ball so he can place this finesse backhand right where he wants it. *Middle left:* Junior John Harbison places his second serve right down the middle line. *Middle right:* Darren Chiao recovers quickly from being out of position and smacks this two-handed forehand. *Right:* Nick Cicero uses a big kick-serve to beat his opponent in straight sets.



Rock Solid

JV team follows big steps of Varsity Squad

With a strong mix of juniors and underclassmen, the Junior Varsity Tennis Team had a successful season, going 7 and 1 in dual competitions and winning one of the two tournaments they entered.

The team was led by junior Mitch Paone, who finished the season unde-

Highlights of the season include taking top honors at the Lee Summit Tournament, where Rockhurst players captured both the singles and the doubles titles, and the team's narrow win over rival Pembroke Hill.

"That was a huge win," Head Coach Bill Munninghoff said. "It was

Jack Smedlie,
Nick Cicero,
John Harbison,
and Matt Rada



feated, and juniors John Harbison and Jack Smedlie as well as freshman Darren Chiao. With this strong talent base, the Varsity team will be good for years to come.

a big thrill defeating one of the top echelon teams in the city."

While the team failed to win the Pembroke Hill Tournament due to injuries to a few key players, Mr. Munninghoff insisted the year had no other disappointments, saying, "We had a lot of fun, improved our tennis, and had one of the best squads in the city." Story by Patrick Jakopchek.



Rockhurst High School Varsity & Junior Varsity Tennis

Front Row: Leon Harden, Darren Chiao, John Harbison, Nick Cicero, Alex Ernst, Andy Metzler; Row 2: Ryan Reid, David Cascio, Terry Lord, Sam Davidson, Jack Trotter; Row 3: Coach Bill Munninghoff, Ryan Osgood, Brad Martin, Mitch Paone, Matt Rada, Coach Ron Geldhoff; Not Pictured: Ben Bawden, Jack Smedlie, Graham Long.

JV TENNIS ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS
Oak Park	0 9
B.V. Northwest	0 9
B.V. North	1 8
Miege	2 9
S.M. East	7 2
St. Thomas Aquinas	1 8
Lee Summit North	0 9
Pembroke Hill	6 7

TOURNAMENTS

Lee Summit (8 teams)	1st
Pembroke Hill (8 teams)	4th

Endurance

After months of hard work, track squad made failure the exception, not the rule

The 2000 Track season proved to be a record-setting year. It was high-

lighted by the team taking five events to State, setting the record in the 4 x 800 relay, and defending the Rockhurst relays by the largest margin ever.

Brian Siegel, Chris Brown, John Skevington, and Nick Paradise



Photo by Dave Winget

Photo by Dave Winget

The team was led by senior co-captains Adam Flack, Rory Donnelly, Jeff Dobbie, Jason Woods, Bret Springs, Jeff Otto, Corey Egan, and Brian Siegel.

"Each one of the captains provided leadership and experience in addition to their exceptional talent," remarked Head Coach Jorge Taracido.

Many returning lettermen also contributed to the season. They included juniors Sean O'Donnell, Andy Tiehen, and Ryan Watson, sophomores Brett Allred, Nick Paradise, and Pat Ishmael.

Many newcomers contributed, including freshman Jack Jones in the middle distances and junior Steve O'Connor in the 100-meter dash.

"Jack did a great job this year and was fast enough to become an alternate at State," said Dr. Taracido, "but Steven was definitely our best newcomer. He made it to State in his first year."

Besides the Rockhurst Relays the

team had excellent meets at the KU Relays and at Districts, Sectionals, and

State.

"The team was outstanding at KU," exclaimed Coach Taracido. The season, however, had its share of injuries, particularly Siegel's hamstring early in the season. But the biggest injury was Flack's broken foot the week before Sectionals.

The team recovered and was able to send seven runners to State in five events. The 4 x 800 relay, made up of Donnelly, O'Donnell, Siegel, and Pat Ishmael, who was filling in for the injured Flack, placed fifth at State and was named All-State. Donnelly also placed ninth in the 1600 and O'Donnell placed thirteenth in the 800. Allred took twelfth in the pole vault and O'Connor also did well in the 100.

For next season the team hopes to add to its success not only at State but in all the events. The team will also be looking for a few good coaches to replace Mr. Paul Klene for the hurdlers, Mr. Phil Baker for the jumpers, and Sam Allred for the pole vaulters.

"This season was certainly *A Year to Remember*," summed up Coach Taracido. Story by Sean McLaughlin



Photo by Dave Winget



TRACK

Jeff Otto shows impressive form as he easily wins his heat of the 100-yard dash at the RHS Relays. Charlie Bennett keeps a good pace as he completes his leg of a relay. *Bottom:* Junior Brian Dreis has a good throw in the shot-put.



Photo by Dave Winget



Photo by Dave Winget

VARSITY TRACK ON THE BOOKS

Ron Ives Classic (14 teams)	7th
Husky Inv. (16)	12th
Miege Relays (7)	3rd
William Chrisman Relays (12)	1st
Rockhurst Relays (9)	1st
O'hara Relays (6)	1st
Blue Springs Relays (12)	8th
K.U. Relays- Distance Medley - 4 X 800 Relay	4th 8th
Lee's Summit/L.S. North (10)	8th
Knights of Columbus Inv. (13)	11th
District Championship (11)	5th
STATE RESULTS	
4 X 800 (16 teams)	5th
-Rory Donnelly, Pat Ishmael, Brian Siegal, Sean O'Donnell; Alt. Adam Flack and Jack Jones	
1600 meter run	9th
-Rory Donnelly	
Pole Vault	12th
-Brett Allred	
800 meter run	13th
-Sean O'Donnell	



Photo by Dave Winget



Photo by Dave Winget

Steven O'Connor gently places the baton into the hand of Dan McDonough, so he can proceed to win the relay. *Far Left:* John Skevington tries his hardest to place in the triple-jump. Rory Donnelly, Patrick Ishmael, Brian Siegel, and Sean O'Donnell take a break for a picture after competing in the 4 X 800 at the State meet.

Freshmen Jack Jones tries to improve the Hawklets standing in a relay.



"It was good to see all the hard work pay off at the state meet."

Sean O'Donnell



Photo by Dave Winget



Rockhurst High School Track

Front row; Ross DiSalvo, Noah Beach, Matt Winger, Charlie Bennett, Jack Jones, Brennan Metzler, Steven Baugh, Andrew Turner, Hani El-Halawany, Karl Kline, Will Hisle, Greg Sullivan, Second row; Anthony Quirarte, Matt Seency, Daniel Boyd, Joel Rosas, Mark Keleger, James Griffin, Brian Graham, GB Klinger, Matt Nagle, Roman Minturn, Mark Mattione, Third row; Donald Brain, Tim Seid, Ben Stueve, Stephanie Rague, Adrian Jason, Dan Cooper, Jim Eftink, Phil Smith, Joshua Erwin, Mike Stacy, Elliott Jaros, Christopher Able, Fourth row; David Tiehen, Nick Callegar, Justin McAuley, Jason Woods, Cal Gast, Jeff Dobbie, Will Petrie, Joe Nguyen, Lance Snodgrass, Nick Paruse, Fifth row; Jeff Mincher, Matt Harris, Jim Conwell, David Ono, Jim Becker, Nick VanSant, Pat Ishmael, Sean O'Donnell, Joe Price, Luke Dlabal, Ray Pierce, Sixth row; Charles Gant, Corbin Keech, Jamie Lee, Neil Griggs, Nick Herold, Jonathan Adriano, Durant Abernethy, Kevan Lair, Colin Charbonneau, Brett Allred, Bret Springs, Dan Boon, Steve, Seventh row; John Skevington, Charles Bureaux, Conor Klamann, John Dollerschell, Tony Tran, Robbie Arthur, Andy Tichen, Brian Quarnstrom, Dan O'Connor, Jeff Otto, Eighth row; Jarrett Devereaux, Ryan Watson, Matt Cummings, Will Brown, Dan McDonough, Brian Meagher, Brian Dreis, Adam Flack, Brian Siegel, Rory Donnelly, Cory Egan, Chris Winger, Ninth row; Tim Reardon, Trevin Reed, Chris Lee, Nick Boyd, Mike Wiber, Michael Griffin, Joe Sanders, DJ Murphy, Ryan Bly, Jeremy Allen, Tenth row; Andy Borst, Ryan McAuley, Jack Lapping, Alex Artigas, Abdul Yahaya, Marion Butler, Jamie Burkart, Cary Duckworth

Sweet Success

All of the runners' hard work finally pays off as they get to show their stuff at State meet



Photo by Dave Winget

Ryan Watson lays up over the high-jump bar which was set at 6'4". Steven O'Connor gets a good start to his heat of the 100-yard dash and ends up winning.



Photo by Dave Winget

Patrick Ishmael makes the hand off to Sean O'Donnell as he completes his leg of the 4 X 800 at the State meet. Rory Donnelly finishes the final leg of the 4 X 800 and RHS wins again.



Dominatio

Season was marked by unmatched success but team could not pull off State Semi-final win

Mike Euston, Pat Connelly, Gerry Miller, and John Lecuyer

Photo by Ryan Fagan



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Photo by Dave Winget

The 2000 Varsity Lacrosse squad was simply, according to head Coach Al Carruthers, "One of the finest groups to ever play the game. They played very well as a team until the very end."

Aided by assistant coaches Mr. Dave Steffano and Mr. Ross Desert, the team was led by a strong core of returning lettermen along with some important new contributors. Returning lettermen Pat Connelly, Cole Dimond, Collin Koranda, and J.W. Clark, all seniors, and juniors Jon Lecuyer, Mike Euston, Matt Dunham, Wade Muller and All-American nominee senior Aaron Clevinger were key contributors.

Some newcomers also stepped up into key roles. Juniors Pat Lobb, Dustin Charapata, and Kyle Vrabac all contributed, playing at middle. Sophomore Pete Jokisch had solid play starting in goal and sophomore Jim Goetz also played at middle.

"One of the strengths of this team was that we were very deep. We had many people rotating in from off the bench throughout the year," com-

mented Coach Carruthers.

The season was full of highlights, including beating DeSmet at home in the first Jesuit Pioneer Cup in honor of the deceased former Rochurst lacrosse player Matt McGilley, beating Lafayette for the first time ever, winning their first conference championship, and mounting a huge comeback in the state semi-finals against DeSmet. Although the team fell behind 8-1 at one point in the first half, the team managed to tie the score at 9-9 before losing by two goals.

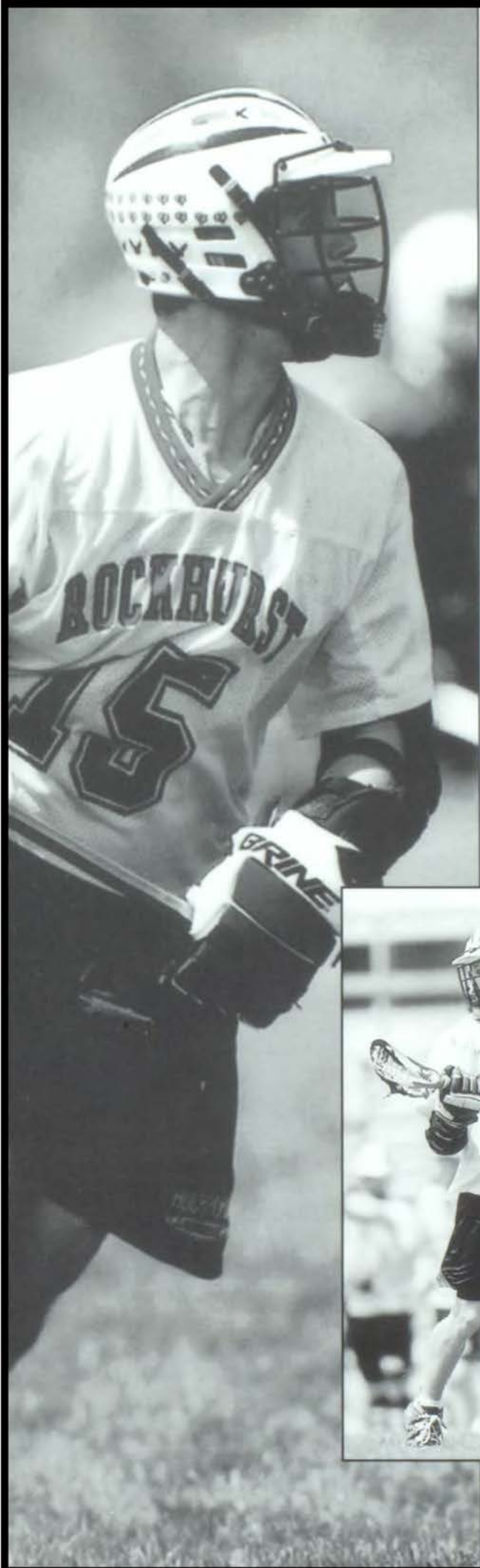
"It was one of the most amazing comebacks I have ever seen," stated Coach Carruthers. "It was too bad that we played so poorly in the first half because we just ran out of steam."

Despite falling short of a State Championship, the season was in no way a failure.

"Sure we were upset by our loss to DeSmet, but this year we accomplished so much more than we never had before," said Junior attackman Kevin Cotter. "And we will be back next year." Story by Charles Bush

LACROSSE





Co-captain Pat Connelly sizes up the defense before his drive for a Hawklet score against Parkway Central. J.W. Clark looks in towards the middle of the field trying to find an attackman to pass the ball to.



Photo by Dave Winget



Photo by Dave Winget



"One of the finest groups ever to play the game."

Coach Al Carruthers

VARSITY LACROSSE ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	
Hazelwood Central	1	19
St. Louis Univ. Jesuit	3	9
Kirkwood	4	14
Columbia Hickman	1	16
Parway Central	2	12
Ladue	2	15
Christian Brothers	5	13
St. Louis Country Day	6	5
DeSmet Jesuit	6	10
Vianney Marianist	4	13
Parkway West	2	10
Lafayette	3	15
Webster Groves	4	14
DeSmet Jesuit	11	9
FINAL RECORD 12-2		

Pete Jokisch moves himself into position and saves a potential goal from the opposing teams attackman. Aaron Clevinger, senior attackman, readies himself to receive a pass for an eventual score against the Rams from Country Day.

Aaron Clevinger accepts the first Pioneer Cup from Mark and Kathy McGilley which will commemorate their son Matt who played lacrosse for both Desmet and Rockhurst before losing his life in an automobile accident



"We had such a great season. It was hard to lose our final game against a team we could beat."

Aaron Clevinger



Rockhurst High School Varsity Lacrosse

Front Row: Kevin Barth, Matt Beck, Nick Capoccia, Dustin Charapata, Aaron Clevinger, J.W. Clark, Patrick Connelly, Kevin Cotter; Row 2: Pat Coughlin, Doug Croy, Cole Dimond, Matt Dunham, Mike Euston, Jim Goetz, Jake Hildebrand; Row 3: Matt Hoefer, Peter Jokisch, Collin Koranda, Greg Laughlin, Jon Lecuyer, Jerry Miller, John Molle, Ricard Moritz; Row 4: Wade Muller, Patrick Lobb, Nick Peeples, Patrick Reed, Tim Reidy, Robert Stokes, Kyle Vrabac; Row 5: Steven Allison, Coach Albert Carruthers, Coach David Steffano, Sam Lomasney.



Pat Coughlin drops back away from an opponent and looks to make an outlet pass. With determination and concentration on his face Aaron Clevinger readies himself to receive a scoring pass that put the Hawklets ahead for good versus Desmet.

Persistence

'Never-say-die' attitude and Clevinger's success bodes well for Hawklet team

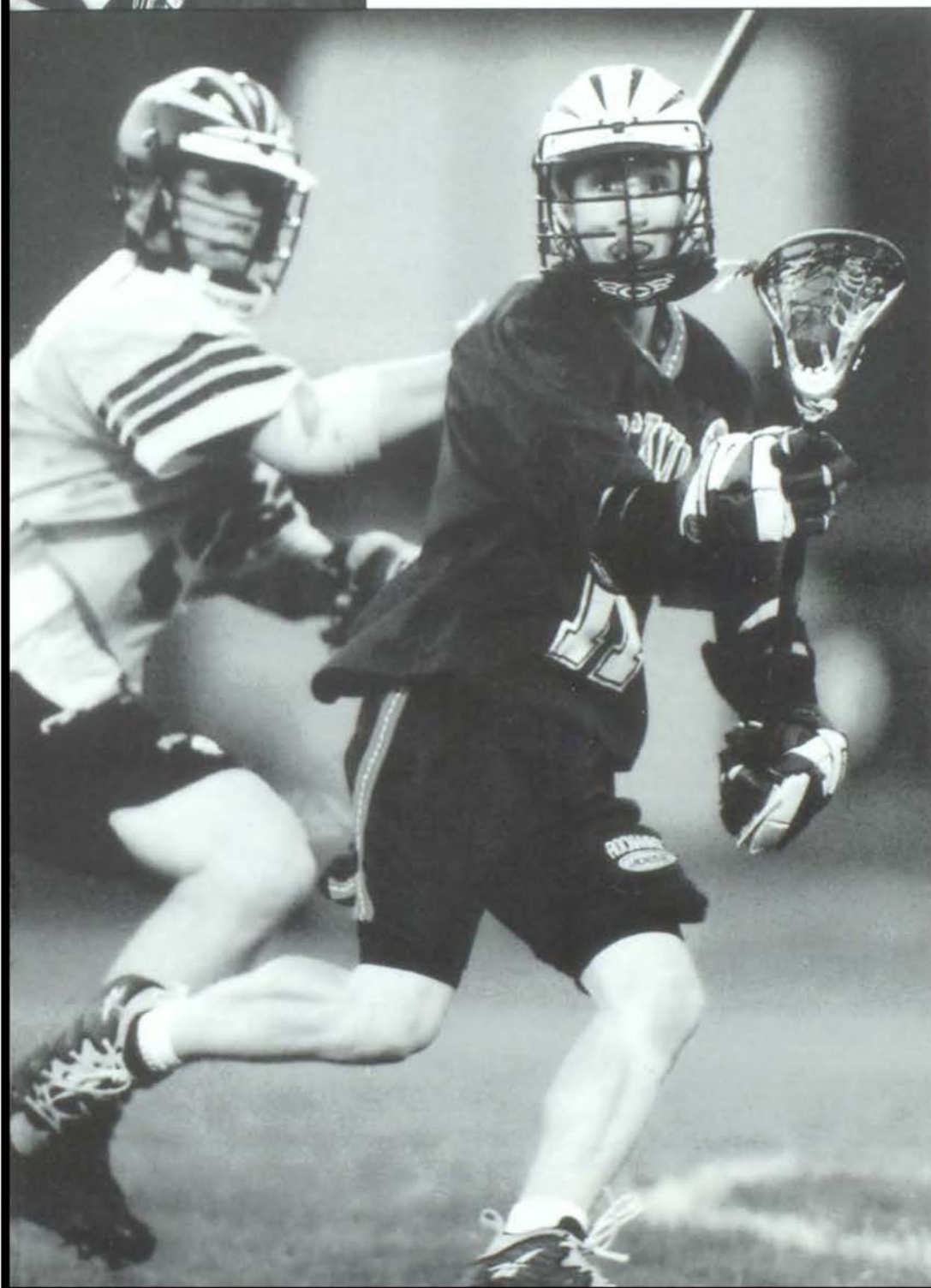


Photo by Matt Smith



Photo by Matt Smith

Colin Koranda prepares to spin by a defender and fly towards the goal. *Top:* Cole Dimond uses a hesitation move to separate himself from a defender and make a pass to an awaiting Hawklet.

Future Stars

Players have success that will later be assets to Varsity squad

The Junior Varsity Lacrosse team placed second overall in the State JV Tournament and ended the season with an 11-3 record, losing only to Desmet twice and St. Louis Country

spirit of comraderie. "Coach Coleman brought the team together through his lacrosse expertise and his genuine concern for the player's well-being," said junior defenseman Murphy.

Nick Peoples,
Matthew Hall,
Tim Burke, and
Brendan Murphy



Photo by Tim Burke Sr.

Day.

According to Coach Jay Coleman, the highlight of the year was beating Country Day in the semifinal game.

"We had a heartbreaking loss to them in the beginning of the season, so it was great to get some payback," said sophomore Greg Laughlin.

Team leaders this season came from all postions on the field. This season was a total team effort that allowed any one player to step up at any time. Coach Coleman thought the standout player of the year was junior goalie Doug Croy.

"Doug made multiple saves everygame that I didn't think he even had a chance at making. He kept us in games which we were eventually able to win," said junior Kyle Martin.

"He was always in the right place at the right time and came up with some huge saves in close games," Coach Coleman said.

The team was lead by juniors John Walz, Kevin Weis, Brenden Murphy, and supported by sophomore Mylan Vrebac. The team's top scorer was Andrew Elmer who had over 15 goals.

The team was marked by a strong

Coach Coleman's hopes for the future are that the program will keep growing, the team will win the JV Tournament, and that the JV Lacrosse team will continue to develop strong and confident players for the Varsity.

Story by Dustin Charapata



Freshmen Matthew Hall tries to run around a defender in order to make a good pass. Freshmen Alex DiCarlo gets up-ended but is able to take an accurate shot on goal.



Kyle Martin takes the ball away from an attackman and pushes it downfield.





Rockhurst High School Junior Varsity Lacrosse

Front Row: Erik Acinger, Pat Amey, Anoy Bazdarich, David Becker, Tim Bridgeham, Jake Boesen, Mike Burke, Tim Burke; Row 2: Quinn Collins, Wes Cotter, David Coughlin, Alex Dicarolo, Andrew Elmer, Matt Fencil, Mike Finn; Row 3: Brett Fowler, Matt Hall, Tim Hazlett, Albert Herrera, Pat Joyce, Kyle Martin, Dan Martucci, Pat McGah; Row 4: Matt Meiners, Jess Mooney, Mike Moritz, Brendan Murphy, Pete Novick, Andrew Paterent, Robert Reintjes; Row 5: Steve Reintjes, Jim Ryan, Garret Sheedy, Nick Solsburg, Milan Vrabac, John Walz, Pat Wank, Kevin Weis; Row 6: Adam Witt, Coach Tim Hannan, Coach Jay Coleman, Coach Tom Laughlin, Coach Paul Mueller, Nick Winchester

Junior Kyle Martin clears the ball for the Hawklets and avoids a Parkway West goal.



Photo by Tim Burke Sr.

J.V. LACROSSE ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	
SLUH	5	8
Kirkwood	1	10
Columbia Hickman	1	5
Parkway Central	2	5
Ladue	0	16
Christian Brothers	1	16
DeSmet	7	5
St. Louis Country Day	7	5
Vianney Marianist	3	8
Parkway West	2	10
Hazelwood Central	0	10
<u>Tournament</u>		
Kirkwood	1	5
St. Louis Country Day	5	8
DeSmet	8	4
FINAL RECORD	11-3	

Freshmen Andrew Paternini takes possession of the ball and runs down the field toward Parkway West's goal. Pat Amey gets in close to Ladue's goal and takes a wide-open shot.

Foundations

Freshmen build strong background in sport for upcoming years

The Freshmen Lacrosse Team improved greatly this past season and was able to win a second State Championship.

"To win a State Title two years in

staff," said Coach Quinn.

Coach Cory Quinn is assisted by experienced coaches Tom Laughlin, Chris Brewster, Tim Hannan and Paul Muller. Story by Aaron Clevinger

Andrew Charlton, Coach Brewster, Hawklet bench, and Nick Johnson



Photo by Matt Hoefler

a row shows just how far the Rockhurst Lacrosse program has come," said Head Coach Corey Quinn.

"The highlight of the season was beating DeSmet Jesuit, 6-4, for the State Championship. Desmet is a perennial power at all levels of lacrosse in Missouri," said middle Andrew Paterini. "Beating any one of their teams is a significant accomplishment."

According to the coaches, the freshmen were led by attackman Andrew Elmer, mid-fielders Paterini, and Peter Novic. Elmer and Paterini moved up to the Varsity squad for the Hawklets run for a State Championship.

"With the growing interest in lacrosse, the Freshmen Tournament and State Championships have a good chance of staying with the Rockhurst Freshmen for a long time," freshman attackman Elmer said.

Coach Quinn is quick to emphasize the vast instructional foundation that was laid this year has had a significant impact on the growing Lacrosse program. "This year was, without a doubt, a great learning experience for both the players and the coaching



Nick Johnson walks off the field after scoring the Hawklets third goal of the game. Matt Hall sprints past a defender and finds an open Hawklet to pass to.

Photo by Matt Hoefler

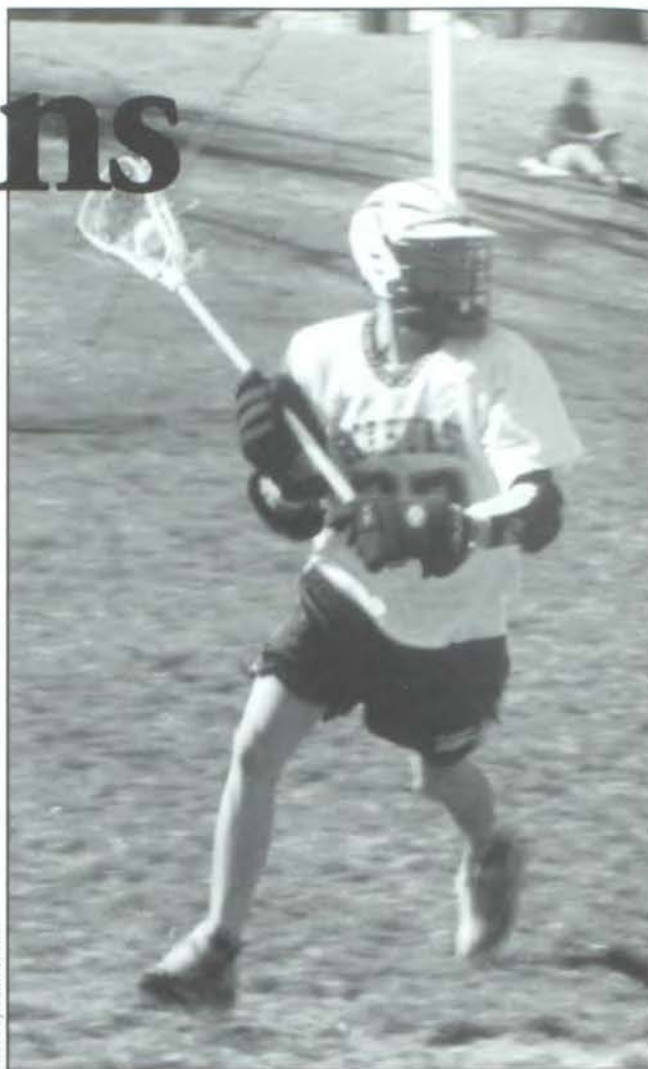


Photo by Matt Hoefler

Mike Moritz runs across the field and looks for a teammate to pass to. Junior Zach Ramirez makes a stick save during and early season practice.



Two Hawklets run together down the field staying just out of reach of the stick of a defender. The freshmen team comes together for a team prayer before a game.



Rockhurst High School Sophomore & Freshmen Lacrosse

The Members of the Freshman Lacrosse Team are: Front Row: Eric Andrew, Brendan Arthur, Brian Aylward, Josh Bosen, Colin Bridgham, Scott Campbell, Andrew Charlton, Andrew Clement; Row 2: Drew Davidson, David DeWolfe, B.J. Fagan, Michael Farrell, Kyle Garrison, Tom Graves, Sean Heiman; Row 3: Jeff Herr, Dan Howard, Aaron Howell, Grant Keyser, Mike Kincaid, Karl Lind, Sal Marsala, Colin McDaniel; Row 4: Beau McDill, Adam McGovern, Pat Mohart, Rehan Nana, John Paul Nigro, Kevin Reidy, A.J. Robine; Row 5: Robert Shin, Trey Sifers, Nick Starke, Greg Steffens, Adam Taylor, Cory VanDyke, Ryan VanDyke, Kevin Welsh; Row 6: Dane Vrabac, Jonathan Wachtel, Brad Weishar; Row 7: Coach Tim Hannon, Coach Jay Coleman, Coach Corey Quinn, Coach Tom Laughlin, Coach Paul Muller.

Fire On Ice

Ice Hawklets show ability by posting a winning record during a "rebuilding year"

Mike Roswell,
Jake Mooney,
Kyle Vrabac, and
Michael Moritz



Photos by Dave Winget

The Hawklet Hockey Team was defined by a second half surge that left all the players proud of the season. Through adversity, the team fought hard and came together as a family, according to the coaches.

"I was so proud of the effort that the guys gave towards the end of the season and into the playoffs," said Coach Corey Quinn. The Hawklets finished with a 10-8-1 record, which placed them third in the Eastern Conference of Kansas City's Metro Area High School Hockey League. They also made it to the playoffs after a year's absence. Senior Jake Mooney, junior Kyle Vrabac, and sophomores Rich Prendergast and Ryan Davis led the team. Offensively, Davis, junior Richard Moritz, sophomore Matt Hutchinson, and freshman Colin Groves contributed greatly to the team's success.

Juniors Joe Van Oeveren and Vrabac anchored a defense that protected one of the league's best goalies in Prendergast. Newcomers Tim

Fitzgerald and Alex DiCarlo enhanced an already talented team. RHS placed two players on the Kansas City Stars Team, Moritz and Prendergast.

"The Kansas City Metro High School League has seen a real increase in the depth of talent during the last few years. The Ice Hawklets have even begun to develop rivalries with cross town schools," commented Coach Quinn.

"Our games against Blue Valley Northwest were the most exciting because our teams are so equal," said Vrabac.

The Hawklets played Blue Valley Northwest three times. They never won but all of the games were close and well fought. Blue Valley Northwest will prove to be a big rival in the next couple years, according to Coach Quinn.

"This year was a rebuilding year and next year promises to reap the rewards of that rebuilding," said Coach Quinn. Story by John Walz

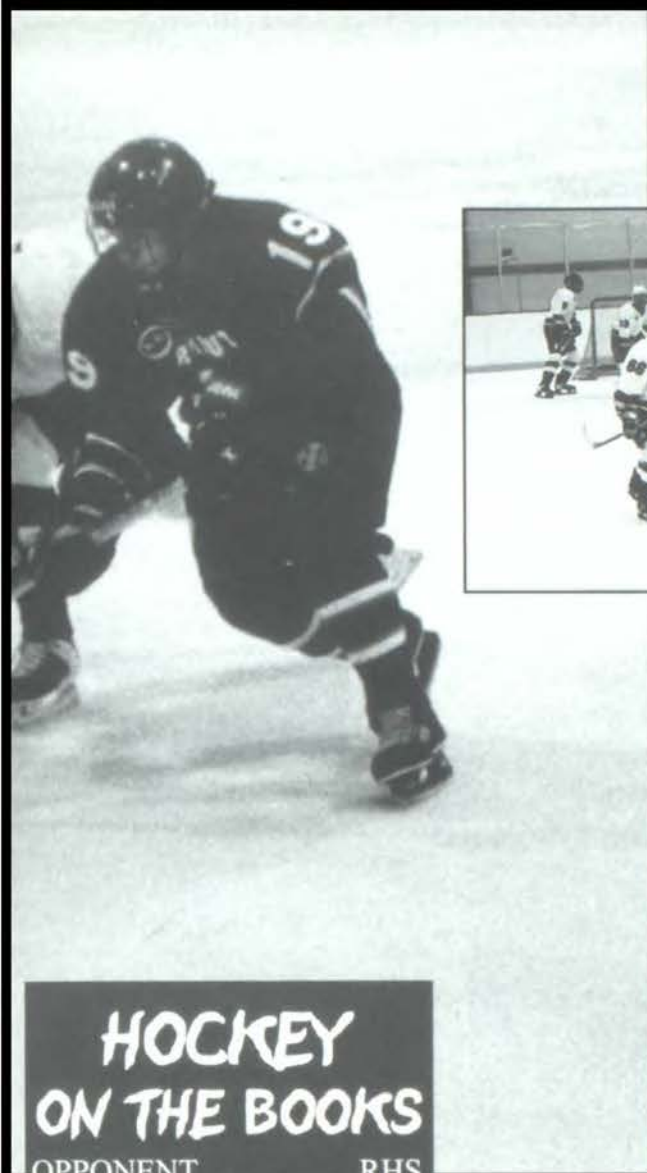
HOCKEY

Photo by Dave Winget



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Ryan Davis skates down the ice trying to get the puck before a defender.



Andy Bazdarich fights off a defender and manages to skate ahead of him to get the puck. The Ice Hawklets look for an outlook pass so they can catch the defense off guard.



Photo by Dave Winget

The Ice Hawklets line up across from their opponents before a game.



HOCKEY ON THE BOOKS

OPPONENT	RHS	RHS
Olathe	5	9
Jeff City	3	2
Jeff City	2	2
Park Hill	7	1
Pembroke Hill	0	12
B.V. Northwest	6	4
Topeka	1	7
Larence	0	3
Olathe	0	4
Wichita	3	2
Wichita	0	7
B.V. North	2	6
Blue Valley	6	4
S.M. East	0	5
Olathe	1	5
S.M. Northwest	8	2
PLAYOFFS		
B.V. Northwest	6	1
B.V. Northwest	4	2
FINAL RECORD 10-8-1		



Rockhurst High School Hockey

Front Row; Jake Mooney, Kyle Vrabac, Matt Hutchinson, Mike Rosewell, Tim Fitzgerald, Michael Moritz. Back Row: Coach Steve Mooney, Coach Corey Quinn, Ryan Davis, Jess Mooney, Coach Jack Bondon, Jack Bondon, Milan Vrabac, Andy Bazdarich, Alex DiCarlo.

Opportunity

Students make the most of chance to compete against each other during mid-day reprieve

Chris O'Boynick,
Brian Carson,
Joe O'Connor, and
Mike Griffin



Photo by Devin Carr

With over 500 students participating, the Intramural sports season consisted of a football league in the fall, a basketball league in the winter, and a volleyball league in the spring, with games being played during activity period. During the regular season, teams of the same class compete, and the younger teams are often faced defeat by older teams in the playoffs.

The football season, run by Coach John Morris, provided a good opportunity for the freshmen to find out that they can still play sports even if not on the school team.

"The great competitive nature and enthusiasm of the kids really helped the season go smoothly," said Coach Tony Severino, Intramural Director.

The basketball championship proved to be a battle won by the underdogs, Something Special. The team, led by seniors Al Smith and Jeremy McGannon, fought hard for 45 minutes, before pulling out the victory in the last two minutes of the game.

"Winning the championship was a great way to finish off my intramural career," said Smith.

"It was fun to play in front of a large student crowd, and it really fired us up to play," McGannon added.

Coach Pete Campbell was the director of the volleyball league, which wasn't as competitive as basketball, but the games were still very entertaining, according to Coach Matt Nolen.

There were about 8-10 teams who were consistently playing and getting into the games. The volleyball championship was played down because of players having to go to spring sport practices and not being able to play in the after school championship, according to Coach Campbell.

"The intramural sports provide a great opportunity to those students whose talent often goes unrecognized. It will continue to be popular as long as the level of competition stays high," said junior David Manning.

Story by Andrew Zender

INTRAMURALS



Photo by Devin Carr



Photo by Devin Carr

Corey Egan, Al Smith, and Joe O'Connor all go up for a rebound in the Intramural Basketball Championship Game. Michael Griffin jumps high to spike the ball with force.

Photo by Luke Mangan

Mike Griffin uses his tall, muscular stature to overpower Brandon Shelby and make a basket. Bret Springs prepares to leap high in an attempt to stuff the lay-up attempt of David Hudnall.



Photo by Devin Carr



Photo by Jesse White



Photo by Jesse White

John Fishman creates space between himself and Mike Gordon so he can put up a jumpshot. Tom Komoroski utilizes the jump spike to gain a point for his team.



Photo by Luke Maese

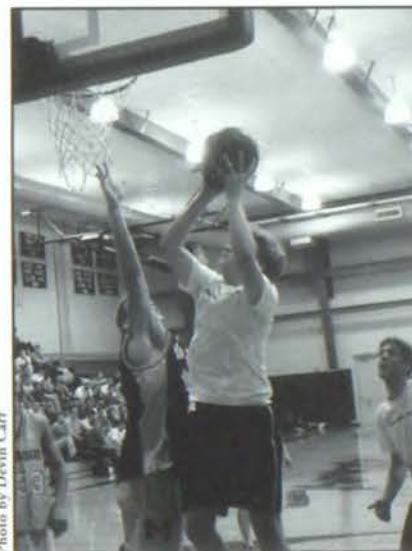
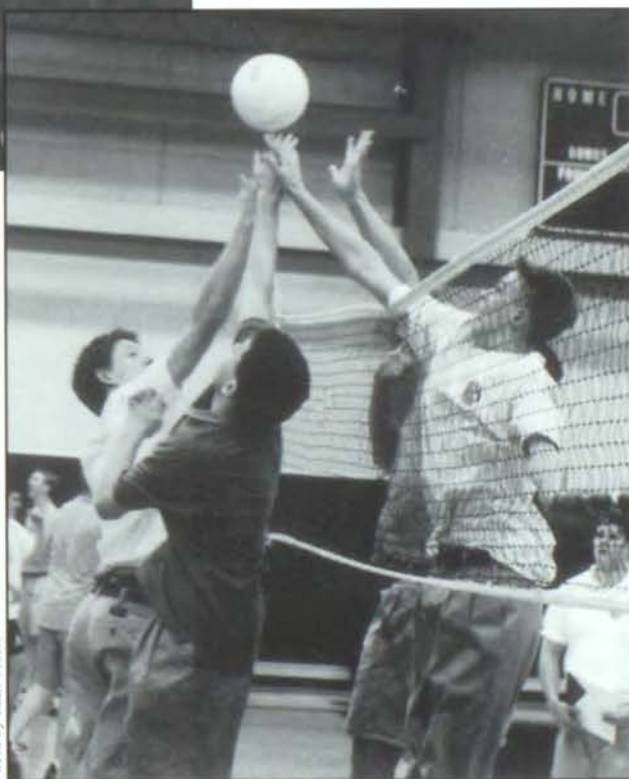


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Mark Riesmeyer puts up a lay-up over the outstretched arm of Bret Springs. Chris Poskin jumps higher than anybody else and manages to place the volleyball on the other side of the court.



The choir sings at Mabee Hall in Sedgwick Hall at the original campus on Troost around 1940. Members of the Regis Club throw their weight around on a Habitat for Humanity work day.



Members of the Math Club spend their spare time working equations while moderator, Mr. Scott Duschen looks on. Mr. Mike O'Leary imparts his hard work ethic to young students.

Photo by Josh Patsinelli



Senior Jack Bondon had another excellent year in speech and debate. Opposite page: Holocaust survivor Mr. Henry Leinwand speaks at a junior mass, invited by Mrs. Geri VanMeter. Sophomores Eric Lowe and J.C. Moynihan sing at the Spanish mass held for freshmen and sophomores. Cast members of the spring play Jimmy O'Sullivan, Patrick Adie, and Ian Merrigan help construct the set for "Children of Eden." NHS president Zach Thomas speaks to incoming members of the National Honor Society at its annual induction ceremony.

Organizations



Variety is the key word when describing the activities here.

Creative people start clubs and organizations based on an interest or a need. Anyone can find something that he enjoys doing because of the plethora of options from which he has to choose.

Besides the longstanding groups like Student Government and National Honor Society, there are clubs

like the Visual Arts Club, Ultimate Frisbee, and Total Ignation Experience (TIE) which emphasizes the service aspect we find so important.

“The rain poured, the rivers flooded, and the wind blew against the house...”

Our activities have been diverse for a long time and as we continue to become more so our interests increase. There is always something for a student to become involved in. Students will unite around common interests, and that enhances the community.

Spirit Club



Tony Vontz impersonates Coach Severino at one of several football pep rallies put on by the Spirit Club. During the soccer State Championship pep rally, Mr. David Alvey tells the tale of Jason Wood's beloved dress code violation, while holding a bag containing Wood's afro. Mr. Matt Nolen and Josh Williams hurl tennis balls at Phil Murphy during the *American Gladiators*' rally.



The Members of the Spirit Club are: Front Row: Tony Vontz, Alex Krump, Brent Kriegshauser, Will Banning, Ryan Osgood; Row 2: Mr. Tony Severino, Kyle Martin, Wade Muller, Corey Egan, Tom Porto, Joe Burns, Brett McCracken, Mike Tichen.

Imagination, hard work fuel entertaining rallies

The Spirit Club led by moderator Coach Tony Severino and an executive committee, worked long hours at the drawing board trying to generate enthusiasm within the student body.

"We do our best because we feel badly if the kids don't enjoy it," said Coach Severino.

The club is in charge of all pep rallies and makes sure that each sport is celebrated as equally as possible.

"We like to highlight every sport and give it its own rally so that each player gets recognition and each coach says what he wants to say," he said.

With all of the help that Coach Sev received it is no wonder that this year has had some of the most memorable moments ever in pep rally history. The student body witnessed Mr. Matt Nolen ride his Harley Davidson Motorcycle around the gym, saw an American Gladiators-type event that involved Mr. Michael Dierks getting

hit with tennis balls, and gave a standing ovation to junior Ryan Anderson for hitting Mr. John Morris with a dodge ball.

"We do the best that we can to make this one of the most memorable years for all of the Rockhurst community," said junior Pete Schloegel.

The club also organized the infamous student versus faculty basketball game won by the students for the first time in history, and the ever popular Rockfest 3 on 3 basketball tournament. Club president Brent Kriehauser and vice president Matt Bowen, both seniors, received help from executive committee members, seniors Joe Orscheln and Tony Vontz, and juniors Pete Schloegel, Wade Muller, and Kyle Martin.

"Everything we do is for the students," remarked Coach Severino. "We try to give them a little school spirit while entertaining them at the same time." Story by Ryan Fagan



"We try to give them a little school spirit while entertaining them at the same time."
Mr. Tony Severino



"We do the best that we can to make this one of the most memorable years for all of the Rockhurst community."
Peter Schloegel



Senior Eddie Welsh shows that there's more to him than first thought as he goes to great lengths to entertain. Mr. Matt Nolen proclaims the outcome of the American Gladiators pep rally as faces off with any and all challengers.

A freshman shows off a large amount of spare change collected in Mr. Corey Quinn's homeroom during the week-long Harvest Food Drive. Mr. Dana Brack, RHS Chief Financial Officer, accepts the proceeds.

Photo by Josh Polzinelli



Photo by Josh Polzinelli



Photo by Dustin Charapata



Mr. Mike Heringer, Jack Bondon, Zach Thomas, and Tom Graves look at the collection of groceries stored outside the SGA office during the Harvesters Food Drive. Mr. Heringer addresses the student body while candidates wait to make their speeches during the first election assembly ever hosted by the SGA. Blaine Barnard delivers the speech that helped him win the 2000-2001 SGA presidential election as David Finke looks on. Far right: a group of sophomores bring down the food they collected from Mr. Fleming's homeroom class.

Student Government Association



Senior members of the Student Government Association are Chris Wiggins, Jerry Sirna, James Hupp, Jack Bondon, Zach Thomas, David Finke, Robert Kehm and Andy Gilchrist.

Mr. Heringer learns the ropes as new constitution takes effect



With the leadership of Student Body President Jack Bondon and new moderator Mr. Mike Heringer, Student Government was a changed one from previous years.

Mr. Heringer, took over the responsibilities of moderating SGA from Father David Suwalsky, S.J. The new officers include three seniors, Bondon, Vice President David Finke, and Secretary/Treasurer Jerry Sirna.

SGA took strong stances on the quality of cheering at sporting events, even though it was sometimes unpopular. They also set clear rules for Mission Week, giving every class a fair chance at getting the day off from school. The Harvest Food Drive raised \$12,000 for the less fortunate of Kansas City, the largest amount ever raised.

SGA sponsored Homecoming, with a theme of Mardi Gras. Freshman

Orientation, the blood drive, which collected 90 pints of blood from the upperclassmen, and Junior Ironman, the competition between the junior homerooms. Mission Week and Battle of the Bands were huge successes and

raised over \$27,000, according to Finke. Prom was held in May and was the senior's "Last Bash" before they took leave of one another.

"Despite all of our hardwork and long hours, in the end it was worth it all," said Bondon.

SGA worked hard for the students this year and voiced their opinion whenever necessary, according to Sirna. In the beginning of the year, SGA got Spirit Week changed back to the traditional Homecoming

Week, proving early on that SGA could get things done for the students.

"Regardless of all the trials and tribulations, this has definitely been the best year SGA has ever had," said Sirna. Story by Dustin Charapata

Photo by Dustin Charapata



"Despite all of our hardwork and long hours, in the end it was worth it all."

Jack Bondon



"...this has definitely been the best year SGA has ever had."

Jerry Sirna

Amnesty International

Mr. Bob Beaird discusses how his experience as a defense attorney will help him as a prosecutor. Over 30 people attended the debate between two Jackson County Court Prosecutor candidates, hosted by Amnesty International.



Ms. Yolanda Hewitt Vaughn expands upon her reasons for being a conscientious objector during the Gulf War. Rockhurst grad and candidate for Jackson County Prosecutor Mr. Patrick McNerney speaks on the death penalty.



A former US soldier shares his views about the downsides of the United States Military and his experiences during the Gulf War.



Opposite page, above: Mr. Pat McNerney explains how his previous experience as a United States attorney qualifies him for the position of Jackson County Prosecutor. Dr. Jorge Taricido shares his opinions on the Cuban embargo.



The Members of Amnesty International are: Front Row: Chris Befort, Kevin McDaniel, Ben Biersmith, Matt Laird, Zach Ramirez, Brandon Yano; Row 2: Mr. Brad Grabs, Tim Wientzen, Matt Cavlovich, Devin Carr, Alex Gamble, Jimmy Ryan, Patrick Adie, Quinn Colling, Sean Gratton, Greg Laughlin; Not Pictured: Ben Summers, Jimmy Utley, John Navarre, John Hackman, Sean McLaughlin.

Members strive for justice by raising awareness, taking action

In its fourth year, Amnesty International continues to have an active role in trying to make a difference in the world. The club actively pursues human rights and justice for all people, especially the oppressed.

"The objective of the club is to educate and inform, because if people know more about human rights they will be able to do something positive," said club moderator Mr. Brad Grabs.

By studying current issues and educating others about them, and by diligent work for justice through protests, letter-writing campaigns, and hosting guest speakers, Amnesty International hopes to achieve their objective.

Led by President Brandon Yano and Vice-President Kevin

McDaniel, the club holds meetings every Monday during the activity period. Speakers who shared their insights on human rights with the club included Gandhi's grandson, Ahrum Gandhi, as well people who work with refugees, and opponents of the death penalty.

"The highlight of the year was when the candidates for Jackson County Prosecutor came to debate in March," said President Brandon Yano. "It was interesting because we usually deal with justice on an international level, and they helped to focus on a local scale."

"We just try to make a little difference whenever we can," said Junior Sean Gratton.

Story by Charles Bush



"We just try to make a little difference whenever we can."

Sean Gratton



"The best part of Amnesty International is learning from the guest speakers."

Brandon Yano





"FCA is a great way...to encourage and develop growth in athletics while strengthening a relationship with Jesus Christ."

Mr. Eric Berg



Photo by Nick Shuler

Sophomore Ryan King, junior Ryan Watson and senior Ed Shelton took third place in the FCA Three-on-three Basketball Tournament. Junior Kyle Francis takes a jump shot at an FCA basketball tournament. Mr. Eric Berg holds guest speaker Mr. Bob Hartley upside down while he drinks a glass of milk. Junior Adam Balentine and his father Joe, turn hotdogs and brats at FCA's annual end-of-the-year Dog Day.





*"It is not just about athletics and competition, but about all facets of life."
Kesler Pollard*

Club integrates faith and fun with competition, reflection

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes allows students who have common interests in athletics and religion to come together to share their experiences and have fun in the process. The club, led by Mr. Eric Berg, moderator and senior Jeff Tanner, president, met about twice a month either at a member's house or before school for doughnuts and discussion.

"FCA is a great way to bring the guys together to encourage and develop growth in athletics as well as strengthening their relationship with Jesus Christ," stated Mr. Berg.

During the year, FCA hosted three Open Gyms, one in the fall, one in the winter, and one in the spring, which gave students the chance to get away from their studies for a couple of hours and play 3-on-3 basketball with their friends and classmates.

Professional athletes also came to talk and to share their testimony with their faith and their success in sports. After the 3-on-3 basketball tournament in winter, former wrestler

Bob Hartley, spoke to the group on unity and supporting each other. In a time shortly after the death of Mr. Tom Murphy and Mr. Buddy Worth, the message seemed to be appropriate and accepted. Though Mr. Hartley used some entertaining tactics to get students interested, such as drinking milk while standing on his hands, the members were inspired by his life experiences illustrating the importance of sportsmanship and morality in competition, according to Mr. Berg.

FCA held its second annual Dog Day to celebrate the end of the school year following the second day of finals. Students were able to eat as many hot dogs and drink as much Coke as they could for a dollar. Club members used this time to reflect on their personal growth and to celebrate the great times they had together over the past year.

"It is not just about athletics and competitions but about all facets of life," remarked junior Kesler Pollard, FCA vice president. Story by Nick Shuler



The Members of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes are: Front Row: Mr. Eric Berg, Jeff Tanner, Ed Bessenbacher, Tim Bridgham; Row 2: Adam Balentine, Lance Snodgrass, Kevin Cotter, Joel Gustafson.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes

SADD fights destructive decisions

*"We are only a small part of the answer."
Mrs. Jerry Featherston*



Photo by Dustin Charppata

The Members of S.A.D.D. are: Front Row: Alex Gamble, Adam Flack, Brian Dress, Carlos Javillonar, Corey Swope; Row 2: Mrs. Jerry Featherston, Alex Landazuri, Quinn Colling, Matt Turley; Row 3: Jim Becker.

The SADD club lived up to its name of Students Against Destructive Decisions as they tried to help Rockhurst students make wise choices. "There are so many opportunities to make poor decisions it is important to know there are other alternatives," according to club moderator Jerry Featherston.

The club focused attention on a "Protect Us Not Tobacco" (PUNT) campaign to make students aware of the harmful effects of tobacco. In the fall a former Winston spokesperson delivered a presentation to the students in the Barry Commons.

"He said things that really hit home with the students, and told us how hard tobacco companies try to get an underage market," said junior Tim Euston. The PUNT group also had support meet-

ings for anyone who is struggling with a dependency on tobacco.

SADD concentrates its efforts against destructive decisions around major RHS events. "We know that some students will drink regardless of the occasion, but after dances there is increased pressure to make poor decisions," Co-President Adam Flack said. Red ribbons were placed on cars before homecoming to serve as a reminder to all students to make good decisions.

"We (SADD) are not able to make decisions for the students. We're around to keep the conversation open on how we make choices and the consequences of these choices. We are only a small part of the answer," said Mrs. Featherston.

Story by John Linhoff



"So far it's been interesting and informative."
Chris Thorman

Herpetology Club learns about lizards



Mr Wikera shows off one of his favorite lizards. Mr. Wikera hands a snake to one of his students.



The Herpetology Club continued its study of and care for reptiles. Led by sponsor Mr. Richard Wikiera, and President Chris Thorman, the club's goal was to offer students an opportunity to experience and care for reptiles at school.

"The club started off a little slowly but participation has increased dramatically and that helps. So far it has been interesting and informative," Thorman said.

"The Herpetology Club gives students the opportunity to learn more about reptiles, and to learn about taking care of them," remarked Mr. Wikiera. "Some parents won't let their kids have snakes so they can own snakes through us," he said.

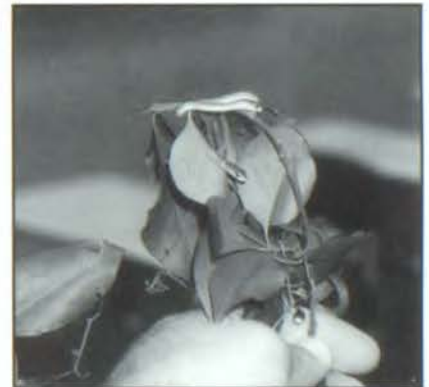
In only its second year as a club, the group is trying to grow. "And to eventually have enough

reptiles to have a self sustaining population," according to Mr. Wikiera.

"Caring for and breeding reptiles is a large task. Hopefully, by next year the club will reach our goal through our profits made by selling some of the animals that are born," Thorman commented.

In addition to the care and feeding of their 10 snakes and three lizards, club members also try to breed the animals, but so far have been unsuccessful. Members of the Herpetology Club are enrolled in the Kansas City Herpetological Society, and participate in their monthly meetings and semi-annual breeder's exposition.

Story by Kyle Martin



Mr. Wikiera explains the habits of one of his snakes to the club. Members of the Club help to build a habitat for some newly born snakes.



photo by Kyle Martin

The Members of the Herpetology Club are: Front Row: Pete Schloegel, Connor Ervin, Tony Vontz, Pablo Palmeri, Chris Anton, Mr. Rich Wikiera.

photo by Nick Shuler



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Fr. Menard, Brian Wall, and Mark McNeal remove straw from the Habitat for Humanity work site. Adam Blinzler and a friend mix paint at the St. Louis Parish Food Pantry. Ryan McAuley, Stephen Eikermann, and Jeff McCaffrey use teamwork to lift a giant stone out of the way of the Habitat for Humanity construction site. Ray Pierce fills a wheelbarrow full of dirt to even out the lawn for thenew homes front yard. Ms. Mulvihill operates a bulldozer to do her part at the construction site.

Regis Club

Club provides comfort, service in year of tragedies

Members of the Regis Club gather in a circle to pray for a safe day, before going to work at the Habitat for Humanity house.



The Members of the Regis Club are: Front Row: Ben Bawden, Ms. Peggy Mulvihill; Row 2: Matt Newell, P.T. McGannon, Adam Korth, Chris Constant, John Mike D'Agostino, Matt Ziegenhorn, Kyle Pittman, Erik Netterfield; Row 3: Andrew Brancato, Joe Huffman, Frank Pendleton, Andrew Ward, Giovanni Dumaguin, Devin Carr, Thom Persley; Row 4: Zach Schopper, Michael Adler, Tim Burke, Joe Sanders, Drew Switzer, Jake Lynch, Brent Scarborough; Row 5: Daniel Martucci, Tim Fitzpatrick, Matt Meiners, Jack Curran, Jess Coonrod, Pete Jakisch, Steve Sichko; Row 6: Michael Lancey, Andrew Zender, Adam Blinzer, Chris Lee, Jamie Lee, Brian Spicher, Blaine Barnard; Row 7: Sean O'Donnell, Nick Shuler, Nick Herold, Mark McNeal, Adam Sheridan; Row 8: Jeff McCaffrey, Stephen Eikerman, Brendan Toohey, Joe Grimaldi; Not Pictured: Jeremy Allen, Mike Loftus, Jamie Elder, Justin Noonan, Brady O'Halloran, Chris Reichmeier, Matt Wimslett, Adam Heake, Will Hiale, Scott Carpenter, Adam Webb, Mike Priada, Justin McGrew, Danny Boyd, Ricky White, Scott McCaffrey, Nick Cicero, Dan Howard, Russell Dugan, Joshua Kenning, Aaron Howell, John Hawley, Chris O'Boynick, Brian Wall, John Olshefki, Adam Blake, A.J. Robine, Brandon Dange, Greg Steffens, Wally Weisbar, Mike Meyer, Joel Rossa, Brian Graham, Sean Dugan, Jimmy Glavin, Matthew Schleicher, Andrew Turoen, Brendon Arthur, Ryan Mulloy, Mike Finn, John-Paul Nigro, Matt Peterson, Steven Baugh, Charlie Bennet, Matt Nocita, Elliot Jaros, Adam Wegley, Tim Sullivan, Paul Manton, Ian Burton.



The Regis Club is modeled after St. Regis who was known for doing ordinary things in an extraordinary way. "The club allows average high school students to experience Christianity in its most basic form, service," said Daniel Clark, club secretary.

Moderated by Peggy Mulvihill, and led by President Jerry Sirna, and Vice President Bob Kehm, the group returned for its third year since being reborn. "Its amazing to see how the club has grown from the three seniors, two juniors, and one freshman four years ago to 125 members this year," remarked Sirna.

"We meet on the first Tuesday of each month, and we have a blast creating possibilities of helping those in need. We are the crisis club, and begin with our own community first," said Ms. Mulvihill.

In the winter, the club collected toys for the Della Lamb Community Services and unloaded flatbeds of toys at three different sights for Division of Family Services.

"On behalf of those you've given

something to open on Christmas morning, food to consume on Christmas Day, and hearts warmed by the assurance of God's love present on earth, thank you," said Mr. William Akers, Executive President of Della Lamb.

In April, they participated in Habitat for Humanity. The members landscaped the lawns of four houses.

The club also played a key role in the several funerals held throughout the year including serving as honor guards at Mr. Thomas Murphy's funeral.

"Thank you for the very special service you provided during Mr. Murphy's wake and funeral," remarked school President Fr. Thomas Pesci S.J.

"Service projects have impressively jumped from four times a year to once a month this year," remarked Ms. Mulvihill. "This club gives opportunity for the guys to serve for the greater glory, and no one in our club is out for any personal gain. That is one true definition of a 'Man for Other'." Story by Nick Shuler



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Multi-Ethnic Enrichment Team



The MEET-sponsored Sweetheart dance was well-received by all thanks in large part to the hard work of the members of the club who spent hours planning and working.



In March, MEET visited the Lorraine Motel, the place of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s death.



The Members of MEET are: Front Row: Eddie Welsh, Brandon Shelby, Jason Haile, Darus Dixon, Ed Shelton; Row 2: Charles Gant, Elton Gumbel, Eric Lowe, Brice McKinley, Devon Carr; Row 3: Chris Dukes, Jesus Chapa, Tony Griddine, Jason Woods, Jarrett Deucereaux, Noah Strozier; Row 4: Thom Persley, Abdul Yahaya, Brian Carson, Brandon Dange, Ralph Clarrett, Ryan Kings; Row 5: Adrian Carson, Greg Bass, Ryan Watson, Robert Mashburn, Mrs. Carol Dougherty; Top: Marlon Butler.

MEET offers opportunity to explore differences

The Sweetheart Dance, sponsored by MEET Club, not only attracted over 400 people and raised more than \$2000 for the club, but showed the ethnic diversity the club has to offer, according to Mrs. Carol Dougherty, club moderator.

"The night went great! It seemed like everyone had a great time," said junior club member Brian Carson about the mixer attended mostly by freshman and sophomores.

Formerly the Black Student Union, the club convenes every other Tuesday during activity period. The purpose of the organization is to focus on minorities and to promote multi-cultural harmony and awareness, according to Mrs. Dougherty.

"It's a time when people of different ethnicities can come together and

share experiences with each other," said senior club president Elton Gumbel.

"The goal of the club is to expand to the point where it encompasses many nationalities so we can educate all the men of Rockhurst as to the histories and backgrounds and how they can enrich our lives," Mrs. Dougherty said.

In March, 25 members of the club took a trip to Memphis, TN, to visit the Civil Rights Museum, and the place of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's death.

"This was by far one of the most educational trips I have ever taken," said Ryan Watson. "I learned a great amount about the cultural history of my race." Story by Dustin Charapata



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Mrs. Carol Dougherty



Members of MEET take a break on their trip to Memphis, Tennessee. Freshman William John and his date enjoy themselves at the dance. Nearly 400 people attended the mixer put on by the MEET club.

Mike McShane receives the 1st place individual award at the Johnson County Community College Model United Nations.



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Mr. Chris Elmore



"It is really great to see the freshmen getting involved."

David Finke



"These guys did a great job, they were really prepared, and they knew from experience how to win."

Dr. Jerry Gobin

Members learn diplomacy and democracy first hand



The Members of the Georgetown Model U.N. are: Front Row: Jason Haile, Patrick Jakopchek, Joe Grimaldi, Robby Arthur, Nick Carr; Row 2: Joe Burke, Blair Thedinger; Row 3: James Eddy, Mike Meyer; Row 4: Mr. Dan Gerth, Dr. Jerry Gobon, Chris Wiggins, Brian Dress, Jerry Sirna, David Hayob, David Finke, Greg Owsley, Mr. Chris Elmore; Row 5: Sean Hughes, Pat Burns, Josh Polsinelli, Zach Thomas, Joel Blevins, Sean McLaughlin, Thomas Persley; Row 6: Nick Goellner, James Johnson, Mike Daly, Jack Smedile, James Huppi; Row 7: Max Ernst, Dan Heryer; Not Pictured: Kevin Frantze, Brendan Murphy, John Nugent, Brian Schroeder, R.E. Wolfe, Ryan Worth.

R.E. Wolfe prepares for the Georgetown Model United Nations in the lobby of the hotel. Jason Haile, Brendan Murphy, Pat Jakopchek, and John Nugent pose in front of the U.S. Capitol building. Justin Goode, Joe Grimaldi, Roy Lightner, Mike McShane, Kevin Sears, and Drew Scianna receive an award at the Johnson County Community College Model UN, for their representation of Pakistan.



Students for Political Action stepped up its performance at the Georgetown Model UN this year by earning four awards, quadrupling its take in years past. The trip, held in Washington DC, provided an excellent opportunity for students to learn about UN procedures and to see the workings of the United States government.

"Model UN was a great success, everyone got to see DC as well as learn about foreign policy," said Mr. Chris Elmore, Co-Moderator of SPA, "The awards were just an added bonus."

Rockhurst, represented Zambia and Honduras in the Economic and Social Council while several returning delegates got the chance to serve on special security councils. Winning awards were Zach Thomas for the Colombian Cabinet, Joel Blevins and Brian Shroeder for Turkey, Jerry Sirna and Brian Dress for Chinese-Taipei and Jamie Huppe and Nick Carr for Honduras.

"These guys did a great job, they were really prepared, and they knew from experience how to win," commented Dr. Jerry Gobon, Co-Moderator of SPA.

SPA was involved in another Model UN in January, which was held

at Johnson County Community College. This convention was attended mainly by underclassmen, who wanted to prepare for next year's DC convention.

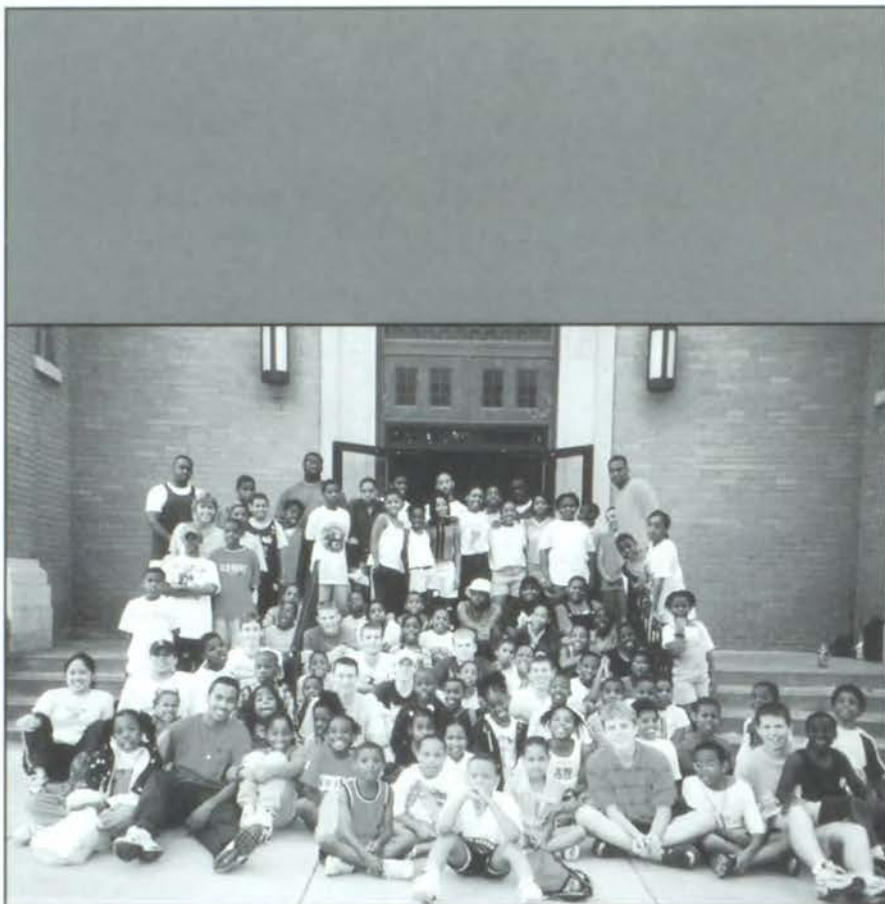
"It is really great to see the freshmen getting involved," stated David Finke, President of SPA, "This preparation will just mean more awards next year."

After the model UNs, which were held in late winter, the focus of the club shifted from foreign policy to the upcoming elections. The club conducted a voter registration drive in May.

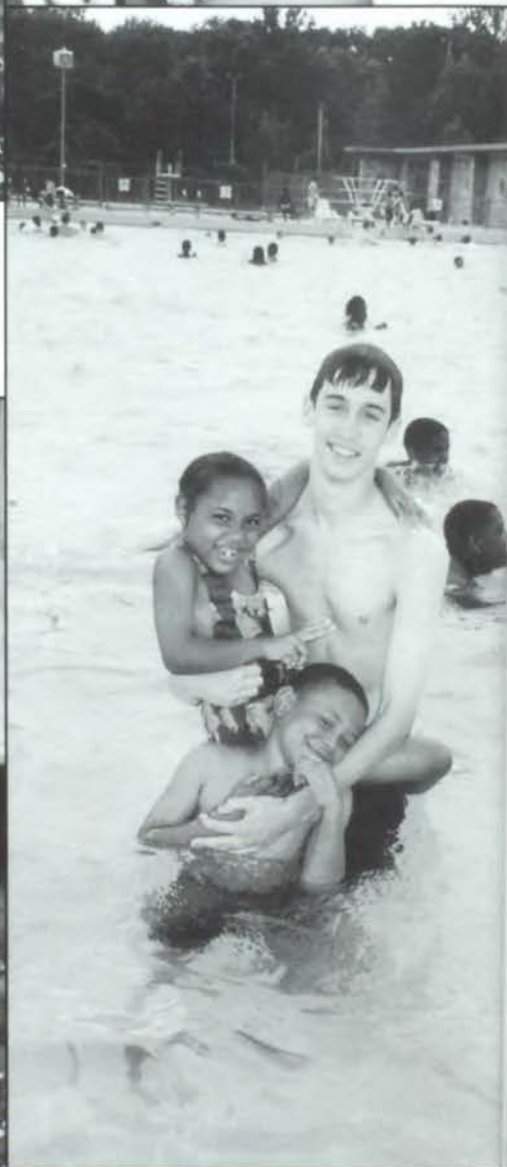
"Hopefully the voter registration helped to make many students aware that they have a say in their government," said Mr. Elmore.

To expand its influence in the school, SPA setup several bulletin boards that displayed key current issues and encouraged concerned students to write in with their view.

"SPA is dedicated to helping the students learn how they can get involved in the government, and how they can make difference," remarked Mr. Elmore. Story By Sean McLaughlin



Members of TIE sit outside the St. Louis Parish rectory with children and other parishioners. Senior Andy Gilchrist spends time talking with some local kids. Senior James Hupp supports two children as they enjoy cooling down in the pool. Seniors Luke Bauers and Brad Reed spend their time interacting with some elderly parishioners. Total Ignatian Experience allowed students to experience lifestyles completely different from what they were accustomed to.





"It was a great experience to work for, and with others."
 Dan Clark



"You must put yourself in others shoes to truly understand their situation."
 Mr. Tom Norman

Students, teachers take time out from summer to experience the joys of serving others in need

Eleven students along with Ms. Peg Mulvihill and Mr. Corey Quinn lived for six days during the summer above the rectory at St. Louis Parish at 60th Street and Swope Parkway in Kansas City. Their main task was to help other people in any way they could.

The Total Ignatian Experience (TIE) was formed by Ms.

Mulvihill in May of 1999 with the intention of giving students the opportunity to experience a life completely different from normal suburbia, while helping under-privileged people.

"It was a great experience to work for, and with, others," said senior Daniel Clark. "We learned how to deal with each other, to be nice to each other and learn to work together."

The students performed various tasks throughout the parish, including working in soup kitchens, and homeless shelters, and sometimes tutoring young children. They met with Mayor Emanuel Cleaver and other teens from the HOPE center who were there to perform similar tasks. The students often ate dinner at the soup kitchen at the end of

their long day. They woke up at 7 a.m. and went to bed around 10 p.m. and had only one hour of recreation per day.

A highlight of the trip, according to many in the group, was when a middle-aged woman named Eula

came into the rectory one evening around 11. She lived in an abandoned house and she carried all her clothes with her in a backpack. All of the Rockhurst students had a conversation with her and found out who she really was, rather than just dismissing her as a homeless woman.

"It was too bad because all we could do for her was give her a sleeping bag and send her on her way," said Clark.

"This was my first experience with the older students and my first opportunity to appreciate their maturity and compassion they are capable of showing," said Mr. Quinn. "It was an entirely new life compared to Rockhurst. We worked really hard and learned how privileged we really are," said Clark. Story by Pat O'Brien



The Members of Total Ignatian Experience Club are: Front Row: Gary, Bill; Row 2: Elton Gumbel, Bob Stokes, Luke Bauers; Row 3: Corey Swope, Brad Reed, Andy Gilchrist, Aaron Clevinger; Row 4: Jeff Collins, James Hupp, Daniel Clark, Paul Rohrer.

Total Ignatian Experience

Chapel Choir

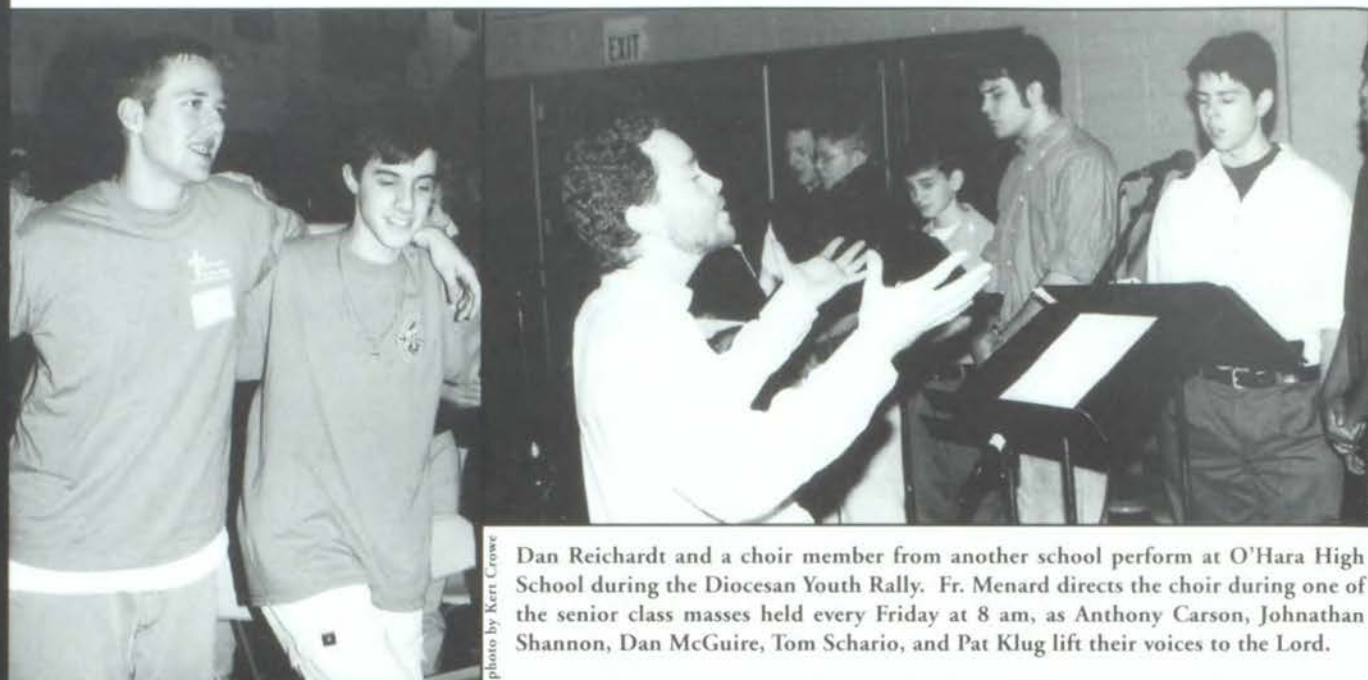


photo by Kert Crowe

Dan Reichardt and a choir member from another school perform at O'Hara High School during the Diocesan Youth Rally. Fr. Menard directs the choir during one of the senior class masses held every Friday at 8 am, as Anthony Carson, Johnathan Shannon, Dan McGuire, Tom Schario, and Pat Klug lift their voices to the Lord.



photo by Kert Crowe

Dan Asikainen, Pat Klug, and Tom Schario check to make sure they are each ready to begin a song. The Chapel Choir performs in the TWA Dome for the National Catholic Youth Conference.



photo by Jerry Miller

The Members of Chapel Choir are: Front Row: Pat Klug, Tom Shario, Brandon Dange, Greg Bass, Giovanni Dumagin, Dan Reichart; Row 2: John Mitchell, Chris Reichmeier, Keil Tompkin, Eric Lowe, Greg Duncan; Row 3: Devan Carr, Mike Adler, Joe Gall, James Utley, David Kinerk, Mr Mike Kern, Matthew Harris.

Choir showcases talent at National Youth Conference

Led by seniors Johnathan Shannon, Giovanni Dumaguin, Anthony Carson, and Brandon Dange, the Chapel Choir performed at every class liturgy and all the school masses.

"This is the best senior leadership I have ever had," moderator Mr. Michael Kern said. In addition the group performed at many local parishes and at the National Youth Conference held in St. Louis.

The choir which includes about thirty students representing every class, meets every Monday and Wednesday during activity period to practice for performances.

"The highlight of the year was definitely the NCYC in St. Louis," Mr. Kern stated. The singers opened up the youth rally in front of 24,000 people and performed for all of the event's liturgies. While spending their

weekend in St. Louis the choir members performed their own concert Saturday morning in the convention hall and the horn section also played in the conventions house band.

"The NCYC was definitely a great experience for me and the rest of the Chapel Choir," said junior Matt Schwenke.

The choir has become a key feature of mass at Rockhurst and plans to build and to continue its good work next year.

"I feel that this is a lot of hard work that pays off with things like the NCYC," junior Greg Bass said, "I would not be able to experience these things if it was not for Chapel Choir."

Story by Jerry Miller

Greg Bass and Luke Dlabal clap to the music during the Diocesan Youth Rally.

photo by Kurt Crowe



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French Club

The French Club, moderated by Mrs. Sabina Mills, in her first year of teaching, has no officers, but meets every Wednesday during activity period.

The purpose of the club, according to Mrs. Mills is to learn more about the French culture and history. She is especially helpful in learning these things because she is a native of France and brings much first-hand knowledge and experience to Rockhurst.

All of the foreign language clubs participated in the Third Annual Polyglamal Bowling Tournament held in February. The clubs competed against each other in a display of physical stamina and ability. The Spanish Club won this year, repeating its victory in the inaugural year of the event.



The Members of the French Club are: Front Row: Ben Davis, Erik Netterfield, Frank Pendleton, Diego Bustamante, Mrs. Sabina Mills; Row 2: Tyler True, Nick Solsburg, Steve Owen; Not Pictured: Rory Donnelly, Luke Bauers, David Hayob.

Classics Club

The Classics Club, moderated by Dr. Michael Cusick, consisted of students from both Latin and Greek classes. Its primary purpose, according to Dr. Cusick, is to win the Certamen (Contest) at the State Latin Convention in Columbia, MO, in April, and to promote mythology and Roman culture.

Members of the Classics Club must pay a fee to the Junior Classical League (JCL), of which the Rockhurst Classics Club is a chapter. Students who took the National Latin Exam and acquired a high ranking received extra credit in either Latin or Greek or both.

Officers of the club are Eric Pashman and George Robinson, Co-Consuls; Kevin McDaniel, Praetor; Pat Ishmael, Censor; Jamie Lee, Treasurer, and Mike Hubert, Aedle.

Missouri Classical League Latin Exam Results

Vocabulary

1 Sr
fourth place...Zach Royer
fourth place...Karl Lind
3 Sr
first place...Sean Muller
second place...Andre Newsom
Grammar
1 Sr
third place...Jeff Nagy
2 Sr
first place...George Robinson
third place...Jamie Lee
4 Sr
third place...Kevin McDaniel
History and Culture
1 Sr
fourth place...Mike McShane
2 Sr
fifth place...Pat McGah

Derivatives

1 Sr
fifth place...Kevin Mills
2 Sr
third place...Geoff Ponnath
fourth place...Patrick Ishmael
3 Sr
fourth place...Phillip Murphy
Reading Comprehension
1 Sr
first place...Jeff Nagy
third place...Zach Cofran
2 Sr
first place...George Robinson
third place...Alex Gamble
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second place...Pat Connelly
fourth place...Kevin McDaniel



The Members of the Classics Club are: Front Row: Michael McShane, Christopher Lee; Row 2: Jamie Lee, Zach Royer, Andrew Saleh, Dr. Michael Cusick, Joe Sanders, Ricky White; Row 3: Pat McGah, James Hupp, Brian Dress, Geoff Ponnath, A.J. Robine.

Spanish Club

The Spanish Club is probably the most visible language club for Rockhurst students because of the activities it hosted. Sponsored by Senor Bert Roney, the group which designs a different t-shirt every year, organized several nacho sales in the cafeteria, held a Spanish Mass and a Spanish Party.

"I think that every year we figure out a way to do our activities by working more closely with the officers to improve the club's quality," said Senor Roney.

The Spanish Club's officers are senior Carlos Cabezas; president, and junior Ryan Fagan; vice-president. All stories by Jeremy Garton

Below and clockwise: Mr. Bert Roney and sophomore Spanish Club members sell nachos at lunch. John Harbison, Zach Ramirez, JoJo Dumaguin, and Carlos Cabezas pose together after winning the UMKC Spanish Jeopardy competition. Mr. Roney organizes the competitors at the Language Clubs' bowling contest. Cabezas and Dumaguin examine a display at the UMKC Foreign Language Fair.



The Members of the Spanish Club are: Front Row: Nick Schmeltz, Doug Croy, James Goetz; Row 2: Mr. Bert Roney, Brent Scarborough, Ryan Fagan, Zach Thomas, Carlos Cabezas, JoJo Dumaguin, Geoff Martin; Row 3: Francisco Rascon, Devin Carr, Blaine Barnard, Adam Clayton, Barret Kroll, Nick Shuler, Charles Schloegel, Zach Ramirez, James Conwell; Row 4: John Harbison, Tom Grams, Ben Clark, Andrew Ward.



Geoff Ponnath paints the "Rocks of All Ages" Spectacular Auction banner, as Mrs. Connie Greany gives advice.



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Jeremy Allen*

Visual Arts Club members use talent to help community



Devin Carr uses a T-rule to outline the cross on the front entrance. The banner, created by the Visual Arts Club, is displayed proudly before all at the Spectacular Auction. Matthew Judge, JoJo Dumaguin, and Geoff Ponnath put the finishing touches on the auction banner.



The Members of the Visual Arts Club are: Front Row: Geoff Ponnath, Ryan McIntosh, Richard Hwang, Jeremy Allen, Ryan McAuley, Mrs. Connie Greany, James Saunders; Row 2: Ben Clark, Mitch Paone; Not Pictured: Devin Carr, Patrick O'Leary, Matthew Judge, JoJo Dumaguin.



The Visual Arts Club once again exhibited the finest of artistic talents and represented Rockhurst in service to the community.

"The Art Club is a service organization that uses artistic ability in service to greater Kansas City," according to club moderator Mrs. Connie Greany. Led by Mrs. Greany, the club participated in many events throughout the Kansas City area, including scholastic and interscholastic events.

The club participated in the Regional Scholastic Art Competition where sophomore Ryan McAuley, and junior Chad Hiesberger earned silver keys and sophomore Daniel Coonfield, freshman Roland Shields and McAuley, earning honorable mention.

"I was really impressed with how well we did and how many awards we received," stated sophomore Jeremy Allan.

In addition to participating in competitions, the Visual Arts Club members also used their artistic abilities in the community.

The club made and donated ten masks to the Mattie Rhodes Center, and designed and created clay bowls which were donated to the Empty Bowl Project, the profits from which went to the Kansas City Clay Guild to help support a soup supper for AIDS victims.

"I enjoy making projects for the good of Kansas City," McAuley stated.

"It gives me an opportunity to meet other art students... and provides a stimulating environment," said Coonfield.

The club also offers opportunities for students to try new things and make art in a congenial environment.

"The Art Club gives me more freedom. There are no grades or guidelines and it's only people who want to be there," remarked Coonfield.

In February the club went to the Grand Arts Gallery, Barnard Smith Gallery, and Kemper Museum. Story by Kyle Martin

Tony Vontz does some in-depth research on a story. Junior Ryan Swarts edits a page before it gets sent to the printers. The *Prep News* took All-Missouri honors due to hard work by the staff.

Photo by Tim Laird



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Senior photographer Tim Laird works in the dark-room printing pictures. Mr. Dierks and Sam Davidson discuss a story before finalizing a layout. This was Mr. Dierks' first year advising the newspaper. Mr. Dierks and senior Editor-in-Chief Brent Kriegshauser crop photos for an upcoming issue.

Prep News



The Senior members of the *Prep News* are Row 1: Brent Kriegshausler, Tom Porto, Austin Gilmore, Ryan Hohl. Row 2: Greg Moore, Michael Griffin, Tim Laird, Tony Vontz, Elton Gumbel III. Not pictured: Andrew Metzler, Ryan Kisner and Matt Bowen.



The Junior Members of the *Prep News* are Row 1: Ryan Renne, Jeff Kratofil, Dave Winget, Jack Smedile, Ryan Swartz, Nick Taylor. Row 2: David Manning, Patrick Clark, David Clisbee, John Rogler, Sam Davidson, Mr. Michael Dierks.

Staff excels with new technology, earning honors while undergoing leadership changes

The *Prep News* underwent significant changes as Mr. Michael Dierks became adviser, replacing Mr. Mark Bubalo, who held the position for 18 years.

"It has been an honor and a challenge to take over as advisor," said Mr. Dierks, who also taught Spanish and served as Cross Country coach.

The addition of six new Apple G3 Computers has increased speed and alleviated one of the major challenges of putting the paper together: time. "These computers have been very helpful and allowed me to work a lot faster," junior Pat Clark said. Other changes included new layouts, and the utilization of the Journalism I class writing more for the *Prep News*.

The 1999-2000 *Prep News* editorial staff included Brent Kriegshausler as Editor-in-Chief; Andy Metzler, Managing Editor; Tony Vontz, Feature Editor; Ryan Hohl, News Editor; Ryan

Kisner, Sports Editor; Andy Gilchrist, Editorial Editor; Tim Laird, Photo Editor; Greg Moore, Copy Editor, and Matt Bowen, Design Editor.

In addition to the paper's regular editions (published every four weeks), a special issue was released this year a few weeks following the death of Principal Thomas Murphy, which commemorated his passing as well as the recent deaths of two Rockhurst graduates, Bryan Bolden and Michael Rieke.

The February edition of the *Prep News* was written and edited entirely by the Journalism I and Newspaper I juniors, providing experience for next year's staff.

"Being able to write and edit the paper without the help of the senior editors was an learning experience. It showed us that we can do anything when we put our minds to it," said Newspaper I student David Manning.

Story by Danny Mulhern



"Being able to write and edit the paper without the help of editors . . . showed us that we can do anything when we put our minds to it."

David Manning



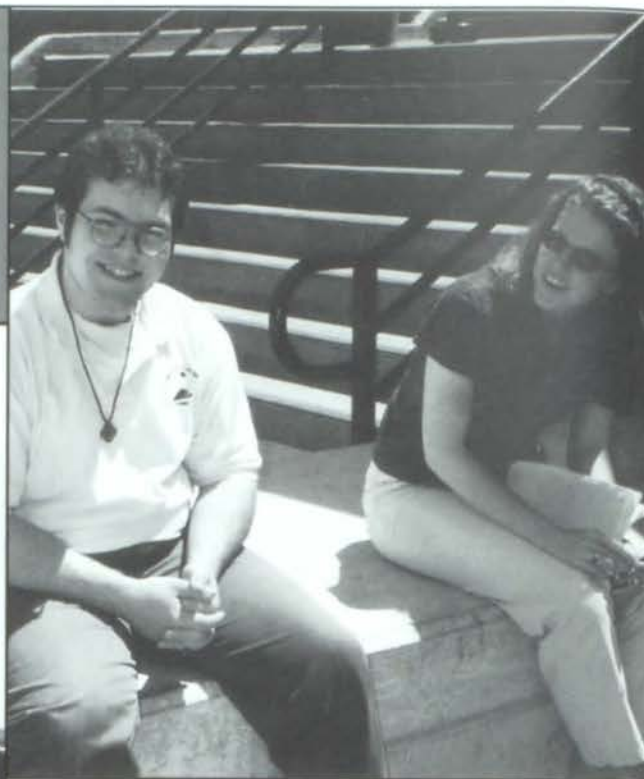
"It has been an honor and a challenge to take over as advisor."

Mr. Michael Dierks



"Making decisions and final cuts were tough, but I liked how the job increased my work skills."

John Mitchell



Mike McIntyre and Ms. Anne Otto relax after distributing the finished *Rock Collection*. Dan Heryer and Matthew Judge read through submitted works to decide which ones will be printed. Tim Wientzen and John Mitchell vote on which works will be accepted.





"It is an avenue by which students can expose their often obscure, yet tremendous, creative talent to the rest of the community."

Mark Cummings



"Guys who were quiet now lead the club."

Mrs. Anne Otto

Literary Magazine provides forum for budding talent

Our purpose is to create an opportunity for students to be recognized for their literary and artistic contributions," explained *Rock Collection* adviser Ms. Anne Otto.

The 1999-2000 *Rock Collection*, funded annually by The Andrews McMeel Co., was in the capable hands of experienced students, according to Ms. Otto. The art and literary magazine was edited by returning seniors Mark Cummings and Tim Wientzen.

"This year our students worked once more with the Quark Express program," stated Ms. Otto. "This software was been widely used in the design community, so our kids get the real practical hands-on experience with the industry standard program rather than Adobe Pagemaker."

The students met on a regular basis after school in November and from January through March, the heaviest work period. The students read and evaluated all submissions,

prepared the artwork for dimensions and color, and supplied the text for the literary context.

"We made a dummy book to test out our layouts," Ms. Otto explained. "It was basically a rough draft using the Quark program."

"There is enormous literary and artistic talent at the Rock," Cummings explained. "The magazine is an avenue by which students expose their often obscure yet tremendous creative talent to the rest of the community," he said.

"The *Rock Collection*, for me, is like a metaphor for life," explained Wientzen philosophically. "It is like life, a collection of different experiences that you can look at as a whole and distinguish certain occurrences as good or bad."

"My first year in the *Rock Collection* has been a lot of tedious work," said junior John Mitchell. "Making decisions and final cuts were tough, but I liked how the job increased my work skills." Story by Carlos Cabezas.



The Members of the *Rock Collection* are: Front: Steve Martin; Row 2: Joe Grimaldi, Mark Riesmeyer, Tim Wientzen, Mike McIntyre, Ed Shelton, Andrew Hansbrough, John Mitchell, Dan Heryer, Mark Cummings; Not Pictured: Ms. Annie Otto.

Rock Collection



Left and clockwise: Student Life Editor Charles Bush files the Spectacular spread. Sports Editor John Linhoff crops photos for the Sophomore Football spread. Editor-in-Chief Ed Bessenbacher crops photos for his Opening Section. Ed Bessenbacher and Ads/Index Editor Jeremy Garton help to finish the Organization Section. Academics Editor Sean McLaughlin works with Organizations Editor Zach Ramirez.



The Quarry Yearbook Editors are: STANDING: Nick Shuler, Student Body Editor; Sean McLaughlin, Academics Editor; John Linhoff, Sports Editor; Ed Bessenbacher, Editor-in-Chief; Charles Bush, Activities Editor, Zach Ramirez, Organizations Editor. SEATED: Kyle Martin, Production Editor, and Jeremy Garton, Ads/Index Editor.





*"What these guys did this year will last a lifetime. I don't know that anyone fully appreciates that yet."
Mr. Joe Fleming*



*"The long hours are tough, but I got the chance to work with a lot of talented people."
Editor(sic) Ed Bessenbacher*

Junior editors publish biggest yearbook in history



Choosing a theme of "Rock of Ages" to commemorate the end of the Rockhurst's first millennium, an all-junior yearbook staff worked until the middle of June publishing the largest yearbook ever. The 280 pages represent a 24-page increase from 1999, and 40 pages since 1998.

"With the burgeoning enrollment comes not only more faculty and students to picture in each class, but more activities and teams to cover, according to Mr. Joe Fleming, Quarry adviser. The extra pages were paid for with an increase in senior baby picture ad revenue and a bonus from the yearbook printer.

Although the Yearbook Class included both juniors and seniors, the editorial positions, by design, are filled almost exclusively with juniors, because so much of the work happens after graduation and "seniors are seldom interested in this type of intense 8-hour-per-day work after receiving their diploma," Mr. Fleming said.

The class is available for most who have established a previous pattern of hard work and responsibility, but the staff positions are by invitation only after an application process.

"Those who experience this will not only have a great sense of accomplishment but will have a pretty nice item on their resume," Mr. Fleming said.

Several students contributed to the yearbook, including many taking the Photography Class. Senior Carlos Cabezas worked after school was out to complete the summary of senior activities and quotes, an expansion from the previous years. Helping with proofreading during the summer months were sophomores Diego Bustamante and Matt Laird.

"Editor Bessenbacher was a great choice to lead, I must say," Mr. Fleming concluded.

Above and clockwise: Academics Editor Sean McLaughlin checks a layout on the Mac G3. Production Manager Kyle Martin finishes laying out the Graduation coverage. Student Body Editor Nick Shuler organizes his pages within the finished file. Danny Mulhern proofreads the Senior Activities forms. The "Super Mega Editors" helped in many ways, including this photo identification session.



Travis Levit removes a screw from the set of *Children of Eden* in order to take it apart, one of the many ways by which the club supports the Drama Department. Kyle Pittman, Richie Restivo, Quinn Colling, and Neil Griggs use a buzz saw to cut pieces for the set of *Children of Eden*.



Drama Club members gain knowledge through control

"With the new studio theater, the students have been given much more control over the selection, planning, and performance of plays."

Ian Merrigan



"I don't think that I have ever seen more student interest in drama at Rockhurst," said Mr. Rodger Cilley, Drama Club Moderator. An explosion of interest in dramatics has led to the expansion of the club into other organizations such as the Improv Club and the Student Theater Council. Through these organizations, thespians were able to make the most use of the new theater facilities, including the "Black Box" theater and the expanded theater tech area.

"With the new studio theater, students have been given much more control over the selection, planning, and performance of the productions than we have over the large seasonal productions," said junior

Ian Merrigan. In order to organize the use of resources, the six-member Student Theater Council was formed. Sophomore David Coughlin, juniors Ian Merrigan and Chris Winger, and seniors Johnathan Shannon, Brad Reed, and Austin Gilmore are in charge of balancing the budget that the administration has allotted for them, researching and selecting plays, casting them, and providing technical behind-the-scenes work that goes into producing a play.

"I really feel that the students have learned so much more with the greater responsibility and control they have been given," Mr. Cilley said.

In late January, the Student Theater Council produced its first show, *The Young*

Conformists, written by senior Andy Gilchrist.

"*The Young Conformists* was great," Merrigan said. "The Drama Club hopes to encourage other students to write and submit their own plays for future consideration."

The Student Theater Council also produced *Waiting For Godot* in March.

The Drama Club's members also improved their knowledge of the theater through involvement in two large seasonal plays, from the experience of working with professional actor Robert Brand, who was hired for the Spring Musical *Children of Eden*, and on their annual trip to Broadway, where they saw live productions of *The Lion King*, *Kiss Me Kate*, and *Contact*. Story by Zach Ramirez



The members of the Drama Club are Row 1- Chris Winger, Bradley Reed; Row 2- Samantha Gilchrist, Emily White, Mark Molner, Angela Catron, Anthony Carson, Chris Wiggins, Austin Gilmore, Mr. Rodger Cilley, Mr. Bill Murphy, David Riffel, Kate Roberts, Abigail Swetz, Wendy Henderson, Andy Gilchrist; Row 3- Kathryn Butterworth, Ruth Russell, Mary Granger, Lauren Schwartz, Courtney O'Neill, Ridge Rees, Scott Unger, David Hayob, Hillary Clemens, Lizzie Larson, Bobby Hamilton, Tom Schario, Christian Cilley, Logan McCoy, Johnny Francoviglia, Peter Mancina; Row 4- Aurelie Rogne, Brandon Dange, Johnathan Shannon, Devin Carr, Frank Pendleton, Jimmy O'Sullivan, Mat-

thew Schwenke, Matt Laird, Sidney Lowrey, Jessica Herman, Scott Drummond, Justin Huggins, Quinn Colling, David Coughlin, Jared Vandergriff; Row 5- Matthew Ziegenhorn, Jenni Wilson, Elizabeth Braud, Amber Gibbs, Mary Elizabeth Milton, Alex Gamble, Tim Hanna, Jamie Poskin, J.C. Moynihan, Kevin McDaniel, Bobby Bridges, Andy Beisser, Patrick Adie, Patrick Klug, Ian Merrigan, Max Ernst, Jennie Rogers; Row 6- Dan Reichardt, Danielle Fowler, Patrick Landazuri, Philip Conway, Amy Hamilton, Joseph Hager, Joe Grimaldi, Tucker Keatley, Breck Mundis, Dan Vianello, Travis Levitt, Brent Scarbrough, Adam Blinzler; Row 7- R.J. Jackson, Michael Huber.

photo by Zach Ramirez



The members of the Math Club are Row 1: Matthew Laird, Bradley Reed; Row 2: Mr. Scott Duschen, Duo Yong, Philo Bishay, Tyler True and Andrew Womack.



photo by Zach Ramirez

Hieu Pham, Tyler True, and Philo Bishay practice for the graphing portion of the KCATM competition during one of the club's many activity period meetings.



"The competitions gave me insight into what real world mathematics is about."

Hieu Pham

Practice + competition = success for Math Club

Tyler True, Hieu Pham, and Philo Bishay gather around Mr. Scott Duschen, faculty adviser to review the results of the KCATM Competition.



Tyler True and Philo Bishay sharpen their skills through practice problems; Mr. Duschen explains the correct answers to Hieu Pham.



photo by Zach Ramirez

The purpose of the Math Club is to represent Rockhurst at the various high school math competitions held in the Kansas City area, throughout the year. The Math Club members have not only been successful at the competitions but have sharpened their math skills for the rigors of school.

In his second year as Math Club moderator, Mr. Scott Duschen is already pleased with the club's progress.

"At the Great Plains Math Competition the underclassmen, particularly two sophomores, did extraordinarily well in their division," he said.

Jamie Lee won two second place medals, and Matt Laird won one first place, at the competition hosted by Johnson County Community College.

"We have been studying past questions and practicing since early fall," said Mr. Duschen.

The club competed March 25 at the Kansas City Area Teachers of Mathematics Math Contest. Led by seniors Tim Sady and Brian Dress and juniors Adam Henderson and Andy Womack, the club placed first in the small schools division. Individual achievements included first, second, and third place freshman division awards given to Duo Yang, Philo Bishay, and Jeff Nagy. In the junior division, Adam Henderson placed second. And in the senior division, Brian Dress and Tim Sady won first and second place awards.

"It's not a spectator sport, but it can be fun to participate in," said Mr. Duschen.

Story by Zach Ramirez



photo by Zach Ramirez

Ms. B.J. Atkinson, the NHS induction ceremony guest speaker, discusses the characteristics of a true leader and her experiences working at St. Therese Little Flower Parish. Zack Miller and John Harbison enjoy homemade refreshments after the ceremony.

photo by Dustin Charapata



photo by Matt Hoefler

Sean O'Donnell gives the closing prayer for the induction ceremony, after being elected NHS president for the next school year.



photo by Dave Winget

National Honor Society



The Members of the National Honors Society are: Front Row: Jerry Sirna, Bob Kehm, Zach Thomas, Paul Rohrer, Carlos Cabezas, David Riffel, Chris Winger; Row 2: Giovanni Dumaguin, Chris Dukes, Zach Ramirez, Sean McLaughlin, Brendan Matthews, Sam Newby, Elton Gumbel, Matt Judy; Row 3: Tim Alexander, Dan Heryer, Chris Thorman, Corbin Keech, Sean Gratton, Sean Mueller, Greg Owsley; Row 4: Elliott Nickell, Brian Schroeder, Nick Taylor, Chris Hapka, Brendan Murphy, Joe Price, John Linhoff; Row 5: Jesus Chapa, David Finke; Row 6: Matt Schwenke, Nicholas Shuler, John Harbison, Jerry Miller, Sean O'Donnell, Charles Bush, Andrew Zender; Row 7: Luke Dlabal, James Eddy, David Ziegler, Matt Kopp, John Nugent, Ed Bessenbacher; Row 8: Peter Simone, Philip Murphy, Zach Miller, Peter Giangroco, Hieu Pham, Joe Feierabend, Jacob Boesen.



Junior Chris Winger serves hotdogs to eighth graders after the high school entrance exam, in order to fulfill a portion of his requirement of 30 hours of service for entry into the National Honors Society.

The National Honors Society, led by senior Zack Thomas and moderated by Mr. Tom Norman, continued its dedication not only to serving Rockhurst but also to serving Kansas City and Honduras.

NHS includes over 80 members who are the "creme of the crop" in terms of academic standards at Rockhurst, according to Mr. Norman. Members must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 and perform an extra 30 hours of community service to gain entry into the society.

"The society's purpose is to foster the growth of the four hallmarks of NHS, scholarship, leadership, character, and service," said Mr. Norman.

NHS kicked off the school year with "Back to School Night," which invited parents to have a mini-version of their son's typical day. Members organized the night and served as Rockhurst ambassadors.

To raise money for Honduras, select members arrived at school at 7:00 a.m. to sell donuts. The sales netted over \$16,000.

"The Honduran Donut Society was a huge success. Who would have ever thought that selling donuts every morning could be so successful?" Thomas said.

NHS also sponsors Mission Week and The Carlitos Battle of the Bands. Every class tries to raise the most money in hope of getting a day off from school. The freshman class raised the most money per student and upset the seniors for the first time in school history.

The Battle of the Bands, organized by NHS through the leadership of Mr. Norman, ended Mission Week with a competition in which student bands competed against each other.

According to Mr. Norman, another way NHS adds to the spirit of the school is through the Student Success Center. After school, during the week, over 40 members work tutoring other students.

"Working with NHS spoils a person because the students are so talented and such great guys," said Mr. Norman. Story by Dustin Charapata



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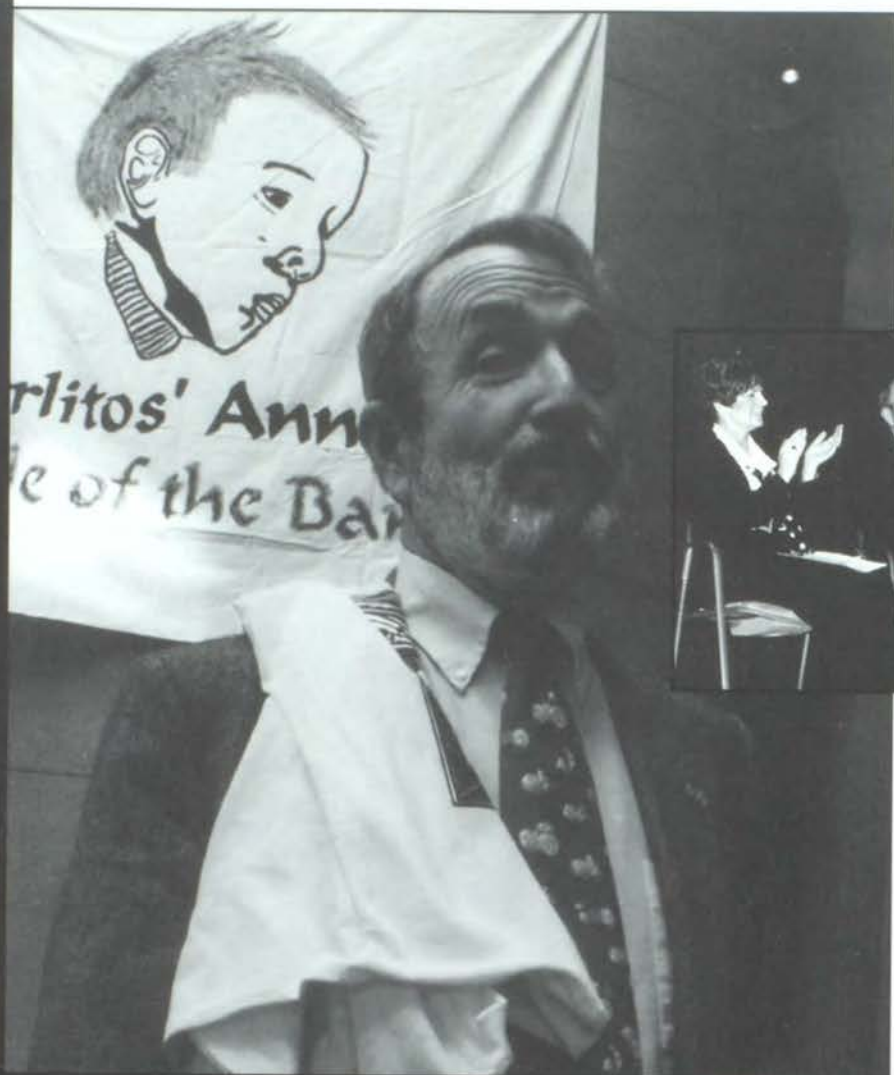


photo by Dustin Charapata

Mrs. Gerri VanMeter applauds for Ms. B.J. Atkinson as she takes a bow following her keynote address at the National Honors Society Induction Ceremony.

Mr. Tom Norman makes use of his sales experience by peddling Battle of the Bands tee shirts in order to raise money for the missions.



Club honors community service and academic achievement

Brendan Matthews receives his membership pin from Vice-President Rory Donnelly, as Secretary Chris Brown looks on. John Linhoff and Eric Pashman applaud as Mr. Norman presents books to graduating officers Zach Thomas, Brian McGuire, Rory Donnelly and Chris Brown.



photo by Matt Hoefler



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Matthew Harris plays the keyboard to boost spirit during one of the many football pep rallies held in the gym this fall.



"I've lead for two years and its been fun to play at all the games and pep rallies."

Joe Gall



"We basically mimic what the yell leaders do at the football game in order to provide energy and spirit for the game."

Mr. Mike Kern

Pep Band provides fans with energy and spirit



photo by Ryan Fagan

Erik Acinger wails on the saxophone during the winter sports pep rally held in the gym. Will Hisle plays the drums at a football pep rally while Mike McShane anxiously awaits his turn to play. Jess Mooney revs up the crowd with his high-spirited trumpet playing.

The members of the Pep Band are:
 Front Row: Andy Proulx, Jim Ryan, Joe Gall, Phillip Conway, Dan McGuire; Row 2: R.J. Jackson, Greg Duncan, Colin McDaniel, Kyle Duffin; Row 3: John Mitchell, Erik Acinger, Nick Anders; Row 4: Jim Goetz, Ben Davis, Luke Dlabal, Matt Walczak; Row 5: Matt Fench, Tom Graves, Pat McGah, Zacc Ganstert, Jess Mooney; Row 6: Max Harris, Mike McShane, Joe Johnson, John Burnett, Carlos Cabezas; Row 7: Adam Witt, Gioliano Mingucci, Rahen Nana, Carl Kline; Row 8: Jamie Poskin, Chris Reichmeyer.



photo by Ryan Fagan

"We basically mimic what the yell leaders do at the football games in order to provide the energy and spirit for the team," explained Pep Band conductor Mr. Michael Kern.

In his eighth year of directing, Mr. Kern noted the contribution of senior Joseph Gall, who became the leader of the band.

"He stepped forward and assumed the reigns of running the pep band rehearsals and performances," stated Mr. Kern.

"I've been playing my alto saxophone for four years," Gall said. "I've lead for two years and it's been fun to play at all the games and pep rallies, always trying out new material that most people enjoy."



photo by Ryan Fagan

The Pep Band often met after school on Tuesdays and Thursdays to prepare themselves for entertaining the game crowds.

"We play at all the football and basketball games as well as the annual Trolley Run for community service," stated Mr. Kern. "My students realize how important they are in lifting the school spirit."

Their biggest highlight, according to Mr. Kern, was performing for the football play-off games.

"It's been a growing experience for everyone. We work hard every year to be bigger, better, and bolder!"

Story by Carlos Cabezas



The eight National Qualifiers stand proudly as their picture is taken in the Rose Theater. Seniors James Huppe and Ed Shelton use their speech capabilities to perform a few verses from the Bible at the Easter Prayer Service. Seniors James Huppe, David Finke, and Jack Bondon proudly display their honors in the Rose Theater.



The Members of the Speech and Debate Club are: Front Row: Max Ernst, Elliot Mura, Matt Finucane, James Hupp, Zach Thomas, Evan McKay, Eric Garcia, David Finke, Jack Bondon, Brian Dress, Drew Scianna; Row 2: Ian Merrigan, Brian Schroeder, Sean Owens, Adam Korth, Joel Blevins, Andy Womack, Chris Fielder, Andrew Osredker, Ryan McCallum, John Becker; Row 3: John-Paul Nigro, Chris Donnelly, Roy Lightner, Tyler True, Matt Nocita, Logan McCoy, Michael McShane, Matt Judge, Tim Hanna, Greg Duncan; Not Pictured: Jerry Sirna, Edward Shelton, Mark Molner, Nick Migliazzo, James Poskin, Paul Camacho, Carl Kline, Patrick Allegri, Danny Martucci, Travis Levitt.





"They are all very talented and competitive. I expect great things out of them in the future."

Mr. Don Ramsey

Eight National Qualifiers add to exceptional year

The Speech and Debate program sent eight students to the National Tournament, the largest amount of students sent to nationals in its entire sixty-year history. Evan McKay and Eric Garcia qualified for Team Debate, Jerry Sirna and Zach Thomas qualified for Lincoln Douglas Debate, James Hupp and Ed Shelton qualified for Duo Interpretation, David Finke qualified for oratory, and junior Ian Merrigan qualified for humorous interpretation.

Finke reached the semi-finals in Expository Speaking, placing in the top 12 out of more than 300 schools nationally. He also reached the semi-finals in Prose Reading, in the top 12 of more than 350 schools participating.

Shelton and Hupp reached the quarterfinals in Duo Interpretation, which placed them in the top 24 out of 250 schools.

"This was an exceptional year because we usually have one to three qualifiers, but you couldn't ask for anything more with eight qualifiers," said Mr. Don Ramsey, director of the Speech and Debate program. The team consists of over 100 students competing at various levels. With 24 returning lettermen who provided leadership and helped cultivate young talent, the team competed in 12 invi-



Senior James Huppe emphatically acts out the last line of his performance in front of the entire student body in the Rose Theater.

tational including hosting the annual Rockhurst Invitational. The Varsity Squad competed very well in the district tournament, which consisted of all teams in the greater Kansas City Missouri area.

"This district could be considered top ten in the country and I was very pleased with the boys' performance," said Mr. Ramsey.

Jack Bondon was the Missouri State Champion for humorous interpretation and Shelton won the American Legion Missouri State Championship scholarship contest topping off the year.

The future of the Speech and Debate squad rests squarely on the shoulders of the members of class of 2003, which include Michael McShane, Roy Lightner, Matt Musina, Andy Osredker, Ryan McKallen, and Pat Allegri. The class of 2002 members Danny Martucci, James Poskin and Paul Camacho are also forecast to go far.

"They all are very talented and competitive, and I expect great things out of them in the future," said Mr. Ramsey.

"This year's squad was motivated, talented, and supportive of each other and everyone should be proud of their accomplishments."

Story by Pat O'Brien

Speech and Debate

Ecology Club



Green Elvis bursts onto the stage at the Ecology club's assembly held in February. Senior Blair Thedinger talks to the student body about the Club's recycling program. Junior Joel Blevins empties a recycling can. Sean Hughes and Pat Jakopchek empty a bin into the dumpster. Profits from the recycling went into a scholarship fund.



The Members of the Ecology Club are:
Front Row: John Mitchell, Pat Jakopchek;
Row 2: Ms. Annie Otto, Elliot Nickell,
Sean Hughes, The Green Elvis, Blair
Thedinger, Dan Heryer; Not Pictured:
Joel Blevins.



Ecology Club institutes major recycling program

The Eilert Ecology Club which had become dormant after the departure of Brother William Eilert in 1996, was brought back to life under the leadership of sponsor Ms. Anne Otto.

"There have been several people, both from faculty and students who have been interested in starting a recycling program, and we all started working together," stated Ms. Otto.

The Ecology Club worked to preserve the environment by planting trees near the east practice field, participating in a Community Clean Up Day, participating in Earth Day activities, and organizing a paper recycling program.

The recycling program, introduced at an all school assembly in February, included guest speakers and an appearance by the Green Elvis, who sang and danced about recycling. "In these ways, we

hope to increase everyone's awareness of our environment," says junior member Sean Hughes.

"The Ecology club is bringing Rockhurst closer to realizing that it is the responsibility of the entire community to be involved in maintaining the quality of the Earth's environment," according to Club President Daniel Heryer.

"I was never a member of this club but after I was able to see what they were able to accomplish I wanted to get involved," said Junior Mike Matthews.

"It is our wish that this consciousness leads to an awareness of the more serious environmental problems that we've had a hand in creating and which we can all play a part in alleviating," Junior Patrick Jakopchek said.

Story By Danny Mulhern



Juniors Dan Heryer, Jason Haile, Sean Hughes, Pat Jakopchek, and senior Blair Thedinger, pose in front of the recycling dumpster. Green Elvis sang and danced to get across his message of recycling.



"We hope to increase everyone's awareness of our environment."
Sean Hughes



"It is our wish that this consciousness leads to an awareness of the more serious environmental problems."
Pat Jakopchek



Experiences provided in black and white photography

Members of the Photo Club are Charlie Blackmar, Devin Carr, Ryan VanDyke and Scott Ferguson.



The Photography Club focused on providing the student with a step-by-step experience of all aspects of black and white photography, from loading the camera, to shooting the picture, to processing and printing the photo.

Members were often asked to fill in for assignments that Yearbook or Photography Class students couldn't handle or who needed backup.

First year club sponsor, Mr. Joe Fleming realized the interest that existed for the club, but saw

that competing activities kept several students from attending many of the lab meetings.

"We can accomplish few if any parts of the lab work during an activity period, so we need larger blocks of time like after school to learn," he said. "After learning, students are free to use the darkroom independently."

"For those who have that interest, and it probably comes from parents who had the same when they were in school, we can provide a meaningful regimen in the science and art of photography," Mr. Fleming said.



From Left: Scott Ferguson checks his contact sheet. Ferguson and Ryan VanDyke process film. Devin Carr makes a black and white enlargement in the darkroom. Above: Charlie Blackmar focuses his 35mm camera.



"I really enjoyed having the opportunity to fly because it isn't something I would otherwise get to do."

John Linhoff

Club members make good use of Mr. Steve Ryan's extensive flying expertise



Photo by: Kyle Martin

Mr Steve Ryan, who has led the Flying Club for 11 years, gets ready to depart. Sophomores Jimmy O'Sullivan and Chris Donnelly, and Junior John Chagoyan pose in front of the Cessna 172 used by the group for its flying excursions.



Photo by: Kyle Martin

Chris Donnelly removes the tie-downs and prepares for departure. Mr. Ryan does his preflight check of the Aircraft, checking the engine's oil for water.

The Flying Club, in its 11th year, continued to provide adventurous students the opportunity to fly.

"What that amazes me about our students is their willingness to participate in this out-of-the-ordinary club," said moderator Mr. Steve Ryan.

The club also continued to teach about aviation and careers in aviation to those who would otherwise not be able to enjoy the experience.

"Our main goal is to interest new students in flying while continuing to increase the opportunity for the experienced flyers," said Mr. Ryan.

The club, which met monthly, took many day flights around the Kansas City area including

some low level flights over Rockhurst. The day trips gave students an opportunity to fly a small airplane.

"I really enjoyed having the opportunity to fly, because it isn't something I would usually get to do," remarked junior John Linhoff.

In addition to day flights the club also participated in bi-monthly cross-country trips to Topeka, KS, which gave the more experienced students an opportunity to have additional time flying the plane.

"I liked the cross-country trips because they give me a chance to log a lot of flying hours," said Junior Eric Scanlon. Story by Kyle Martin

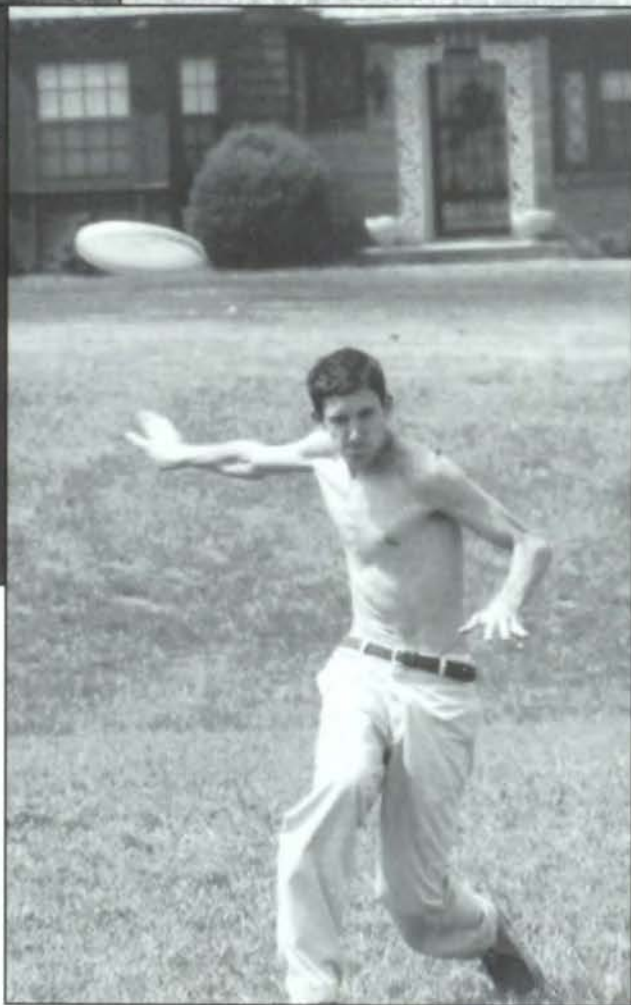


Photo by: Kyle Martin



Photo by: Kyle Martin

The Members of the Flying Club are: Front Row: Mr. Steve Ryan, Lucas Youngblood, Ian Kluklinski, Chris Donnelly, Jon Adriano, Stephan Jean-Francois, Paul McGannon, Pat McGaw; Not Pictured: John Chagoyan, David Becker, J.C. Moynihan, Kyle Pittman, Andy Bazdarich, Curtis Mitchell, Alex Landazuri, Jake Mooney, Michael Nigro, Mark McNeal, Ryan Worth, Eric Scanlon, Ben Davis, John Linhoff.



ABOVE AND CLOCKWISE : Tim Wientzen holds all the equipment necessary while Blair Thedinger explains the game schedule to the Ultimate Frisbee players. Senior Steve Martin snatches a pass out of the reach of senior Lance Snodgrass and a crowd of others. Trevor DuVall bobbles a pass during a game on the Hannah Steele field. Rory Donnelly lets the frisbee fly, hoping a teammate can run it down. Opposite page: Jeff Mincher and Collin Koranda attempt to out-jump one another in pursuit of the ultimate frisbee.

Ultimate Frisbee

High student energy and interest fuels mid-day activity



During the activity period, while some students are studying or hanging out with friends, a large number of students can be found on the practice fields competing. Even though Ultimate Frisbee is obviously not a varsity sport or even a sanctioned club it is still one of the largest "pick up" activities at Rockhurst. In only its second year of existence, it allowed more than 100 students to enjoy the outdoors and use up some of their energy in the middle of the school day.

Ultimate Frisbee is a sport played between two teams who attempt to advance to the other side of the field to score. The frisbee may only be advanced by passing it to a teammate. If it is dropped or intercepted, the other team gains possession.

As in any activity at Rockhurst, the games are almost always competitive, but that does not keep the participants from having a good time. According to Junior Noah Ballard, "It's is a sport that anyone can enjoy. It is fun going

outside and playing with and against your classmates," he said.

"Playing Ultimate Frisbee is a great way to reduce the stress of the school day," according to Junior Chris Anton. "It is all about having fun and enjoying yourself."

Ultimate Frisbee is played in the fall and in the spring. Participants are on organized teams that play scheduled games similar to intramural basketball. The activities need to be well-organized to get any significant playing time before getting back to class.

The club was founded last year by students who saw the need for another activity during the school day. It is still managed by students who keep track of the records and schedules. Ultimate Frisbee is not an official club because it has no moderator.

Despite very little fanfare or glory, ultimate players continue to compete for the pure enjoyment of it. "One word that sums up the Ultimate Frisbee club is fun!" said Junior Mitch Paone. Story by Charles Bush



"It is a sport anyone can enjoy."

Noah Ballard



"It is a great way to reduce the stress of the school day."

Chris Anton

Chess Club



Photo by Dave Winget

Seniors Paul Mattione and Pablo Palmeri play alongside each other in practice for state competition. The first through fourth place trophies are displayed proudly in the faculty studio. Freshmen Clint Dunsworth looks to checkmate his opponent.



The Members of the Chess Club are: Front Row: Jon Carr, Matt Reinsel, Ed Shelton, Eamon Duede; Row 2: Alex Johnson, Matthew Laird, Brendan Murphy, Mr. Paul Klene, Jeff Nagy; Row 3: J.C. Moynihan, Rama Gottumukkala, Haywood Jackson, Diego Bustamante, Scott Foster; Row 4: Jon Stewart, Pat Ishmael, Chris Fielder, Jared Vandergriff, Brian Koenen, Nick Weaver. Not Pictured: Dr. Michael Cusick.



Photo by Jerry Miller

Chess' popularity grows as team finishes high at nationals

The Chess Club may not be the most well known club in school but has become a big part of the Rockhurst community, hosting its own tournament and representing the school in state and national championships.

The club provides an opportunity for students to compete in a sport that challenges the mind, while also providing something fun to do. Every activity period and most days after school the group meets to practice for upcoming tournaments and competitions under the leadership of club moderators Mr. Paul Klene and Dr. Michael Cusick who provide coaching and a place for the students to practice.

"Dr. Cusick, the new assistant coach, really took on a lot of responsibility and did a great job," according to senior Paul Mattione.

In January the Chess Club hosted and played in its own annual RHS Chess Tournament which featured more than 300 students from all around the city competing for almost ten hours.

Lead by seniors Greg Owsley and Mattione, the club finished third in the state competition held February 26 in Jefferson City, and Owsley placed second in the national championships held in North Carolina.

Other successes throughout the year included the Wellsville Tournament in which the Chess Club took the top three places out on more than 300 from all around the state. Owsley finished first, freshman Jeff Nagy finished second, and Mattione took third.

"This year we hit an all time high in interest in the Chess Club, and with the addition of Dr. Cusick, a lot of interest has been generated," according to Mr.

Klene, who is leaving Rockhurst.

"We have done a terrific job this year and I am pumped for the future of the club," Mattione said.

Story by Jerry Miller.



Greg Owsley stands proudly with his trophy in front of the State Line Road marquee. Dr. Michael Cusick battles freshmen during activity period



"Dr. Cusick, the new assistant coach, really took on a lot of responsibility and did a great job."

Paul Mattione



"This year we have hit an all-time high in interest in the Chess Club."

Mr. Paul Klene



photo by Dan Mulhern

The Members of the Book of the Month Club are: Front Row: Sean Owens, Adam Young, Chris Brown, Dan Heryer; Row 2: Elliot Mura, Bryan McGuire, Cooper Sparks; Row 3: Peter Simone, Matt Finucane, Justin Kuchem; Row 4: Mr. Jim Bascom; Not Pictured: Elliott Nickell.



photo by Zach Ramirez

Dan Heryer and Justin Kuchem reminisce about the many books they had read throughout the year, at the final meeting in May.



"We read and discuss thought-provoking works not normally read in class."
Adam Young

Book Club turns page on non-mandatory reading

The past couple of years has seen the emergence of a new club, one without a president or officers, and one that does not even get together at Rockhurst for meetings. The Book of the Month Club is described by member senior Adam Young as being an opportunity for students to "read and discuss thought-provoking works not normally read in class."

The club's three core members are Young, Peter Simone, and Justin Kuchem.

"I have been a member of this club since the beginning and I love being a part of it," said Young.

The group which has already read and critiqued such books as *The Wind in the Willows*, *Crime and Punishment*, and *Night of the Iguana*, meets monthly at its sponsor Mr. Jim Bascom's house.

"I encourage the students to read and discuss literature outside of the set curriculum of Rockhurst," said Mr. Bascom. Story by Dan Mulhern

photo by Zach Ramirez



Adam Young and Chris Brown peruse Dan Heryer's short story *Only Friends*, in Mr. Bascom's living room; Chris Brown and Mr. Bascom await the arrival of Peter Simone before playing the movie *Night of the Iguana*; Dan Heryer and Justin Kuchem listen to Mr. Bascom while Peter Simone reads two books.

Photo by Dan Mulhern





*"Yahtzee is the ultimate game of chance."
Mr. Dan Gerth*

Start up club attracts Yahtzee enthusiasts

Jared Glimcher, Mike Finn, and Jon Hawley enjoy a game of Yahtzee in Mr. Gerth's classroom during activity period.



Bottom: Kevin LeRoy and Mr. Gerth play Yahtzee while Francis Kot and Eric Scanlon consider joining the club. Jacob Kruger plans his next strategy before rolling the dice.

photo by Zach Ramirez

Traditionally, students have organized clubs to explore and develop academic and career-oriented interests. But, this year, three freshmen students formed the Yahtzee Club, "just for fun and excitement," according to club president Mike Finn.

Finn, Jared Glimcher and Jon Hawley, brought the tradition of fierce Yahtzee competition from their elementary school, Notre Dame de Sion. "It was nothing fancy. The three of us would play every time we could, even during class," said Hawley.

Upon entering high school, they were able to find leadership for the club in the embodiment of Mr. Dan Gerth. "I agreed to be the moderator because they kept asking me, and because Yahtzee is the ultimate game of chance," said Mr. Gerth.

In the fall, the club held its first tournament, a week-long affair, which included over 20 contestants. Finn was the Yahtzee champion and will forever have his name engraved on the Yahtzee

Club trophy, especially ordered with the \$1 tournament entry fees paid by participants.

By the beginning of the second semester, the club's 25 members met at least one activity period per week and bolstered their membership with another tournament in late spring. Despite accusations of being a frivolous waste of time and school resources, by an editorial in the *Prep News* the Yahtzee Club is one of the larger, more active organizations.

"We really don't take up any resources. We got \$20 from the school with which we bought the Gold Dice Deluxe Edition Yahtzee Set," said Mr. Gerth of the criticism.

"I envision the Yahtzee Club being an active presence for the rest of my high school career," said Finn.

And, with its large number of freshmen members and officers, that is not unlikely.

Story by Zach Ramirez



photo by Zach Ramirez



photo by Zach Ramirez

photo by Zach Ramirez



The Members of the Yahtzee Club are: Front Row: Jared Glimcher, Mike Finn, John Hawley, Ben Manvoez; Row 2: Joseph McAdams, Adam Taylor, Grant Gates, Joe Johnson; Row 3: Jacob Kruger, Kevin LeRoy, Adam Wesley, Nicholas Kinney, Joe Grimaldi.

Golf Club tees off to provide opportunity for enthusiasts

No pun intended, but this golf club enriches the community by allowing students who lack the skills to compete at an inter-scholastic level to enjoy the game.

Led by senior Christopher Campell and junior Kevin Weiss, the golf club had a successful year consisting of two golf outings and the hosting of an early spring tournament. However, playing the game is not the major focus of the club.

"It's not about how good you are, but it is about how much you want to know about the game," stated club moderator Mr. Rob Herald.

The major focus of the club is to help educate students who are new to the game learn its history, traditions, and etiquette. Also, the club's members strive to build up a handicap so that they can compete on a level with other golfers. Story by Bob Stokes



The Members of the Golf Club are: Front Row: Brad Long, Kevin Welsh, Matt Hall, Carl Kline; Row 2: Nick Kinney, Matt Walczuk, Drew Davidson, Kevin Weiss, Patrick Wank; Not Pictured: Chris Campbell, Jonathon Stewart, Chris Able, Mr. Rob Herald.

Engineering Club bridges school and real-life applications

In its third year of existence, the Engineering Club is the most competitive yet, according to club moderator Mr. Paul Ptasnik. Under the leadership of President Hieu Pham and Vice-President Sean Mueller, both juniors, the club competed in a bridge building contest sponsored by the Kansas Society of Professional Engineers. The top five contestants were honored at the February 24 awards dinner, and the first and second place winners went on to compete at the national competition in Scranton, PA.

"We have been doing this for three years now, so we learn and prepare more every year," said Mr. Ptasnik. "We started at the beginning of the school year and have been testing our designs with the U.S. Military Acad-

emy Department of Engineering's computer program. And thanks to the maintenance staff we now have physical apparatuses for real-life testing of our bridges."

Historically, the club has performed better at the Kansas competition than at Missouri's, held in February, at the Independence Center.

"Last year, I placed 30th out of 250 contestants, and I hope to do even better this year," said Pham of his chances for the upcoming competition.

"Because it requires commitment, it is hard to get a lot of involvement. But, we tried to attract new members by holding practice tests in the student commons," said Mr. Ptasnik.

Story by Zach Ramirez



The Members of the Engineering Club are: Mr. Paul Ptasnik, Hieu Pham, Sean Mueller, Blaine Barnard.

Go Chicken Go Club savors new experiences

The purpose of a club is to give students a chance to come together, in a group, to express an appreciation for something, whether or not that special thing is music, math, a language, or delicious chicken," said Go Chicken Go Club President Chris O'Boynick, senior, in response to widespread criticism of the idea of a club based on love for a local fast food chain, the Go Chicken Go.

The club was founded this school year by fellow Go Chicken Go connoisseurs O'Boynick and Club Moderator Mr. Jim DeGraw.

"I grew up ten minutes from the Kansas City, Kansas, location, so my love for their chicken goes way back," said O'Boynick. "I had already talked to Mr. DeGraw about our mutual appreciation of the restaurant, so when

my need for a money-handling project in Mr. DeGraw's Economics Class arose, I knew what I would do," he said.

Over \$300 and 250 student lunch orders were collected, and large amounts of Go Chicken Go food was brought to the Rockhurst cafeteria.

The club also ordered and sold T-shirts of the same style that the Go Chicken Go employees wear. The T-shirts gave the club publicity which attracted some of its 50 members.

"My only concern about the club is who will lead it next year," commented O'Boynick, who, along with Vice-President Kelly McMahon, and Treasurer Josh Williams, all seniors, hopes that one of the 25 underclassmen members will continue the tradition. Story by Zach Ramirez



photo by Dan Mulhern

The Members of the Go Chicken Go Club are: Front Row: Bobby Mata, Ralph Claret, Colin Mulloy, Jeff Otto, Geoffrey Wilson, Brandon Shelby, Joe O'Connor, Paul Rohrer, Cory Egan; Row 2: Van Dyke, Brad Long, Joe Nguyen, Jake Lynch, Mr. Jim Degraw, Ed Welsh, Brian Segal, Tony Griddine, Colin Charbenau, Jim Davey, Kelly McMahon, Jason Woods, Matt Darby; Row 3: Alex Krump, Geoff Brown, Mr. Dave Alvey, Mike Frey, Chris O'Boynick.

Film and Video Club records *reel* life action

In its second year, the Film and Video Club has managed to attract new members and become an active presence involved in many different school events.

"The 2000 Film and Video Club hopes to lay the foundation for its future years," said Co-president Troy Murray, junior.

"It lets us experience all of the other fields that interest us," said junior Co-president Jon Mossie. The Film and Video Club members have explored these other interests by filming athletic events, the spring play *The Children of Eden*, and making advertisements for Mission Week.

Although most of the club members have made their own videos before (Mossie has six films of his own creation) the club moderators, Mr. Jay Coleman and Mr. Rob Bergman, have helped lead the members to grow in experience and skill.

"We have been studying movies and analyzing film editing," said Mossie. "The group took a tour of a news station in late spring."

"I became involved in the Rockhurst Film and Video Club because of the real interest of the students, and my previous film



photo by Zach Ramirez

The Members of the Film and Video Club are: Front Row: Brandon Shelby, Troy Murray, Ryan McIntosh, Ryan Renne; Row 2: Sean Duggan, Bob Kehm, Leon Harden, John Lecuyer, Mr. Jay Coleman, Mr. Rob Bergman; Row 3: Sean O'Donnell, Mike Gonzalez, Matt Hoeffler, Jeff Mincher, Brian Schroeder.

experience from my involvement in politics," Mr. Coleman said. "I'm glad we've gotten off to a *reely* good start," said Murray.

Story by Zach Ramirez



Mr. Corey Quinn looks over school work with two freshmen. Coach Nolen pushes Charles Bruscato around during a pep rally, the second time this year they clashed.



Photo by Matt Darby

Mr. Andy Hagedorn receives the Eucharist from Father Thomas Pesci, S.J. Seniors Zach Thomas, Leon Harden, Bob Kehm, David Hayob, and Brian Wall tailgate before a home football game.



Mr. Mike Kern waves to the audience after conducting the orchestra. The music department put on many performances through the year. Mr. Bert Roney plays his churanga for the enjoyment of others. Mr. David Alvey and his daughter enjoy themselves at Junior Ring Dance. Mr. Paul Ptasnik gets fed up with his uncooperative, flowing hair. Junior Chris Winger converses with Mr. Rodger Cilley about the first of two student productions.

Photo by Colin Koranda



Photo by Dan Vianello



Photo by Pat O'Brien



People

Our foundation is firm here. We are built around God and our beliefs. But we are also based on people.

People make us what we are, and contribute to everything we do. People are our foundation. We gain sustenance from each other. Our teacher's have some of the most varied backgrounds anywhere. There is a connection between every-

body here because we're part of the RHS family. There is a sense of belonging.

That means that a loss of a single person can leave a void in the entire body that will never be filled. But part of having a strong foundation is rebuilding and staying strong and

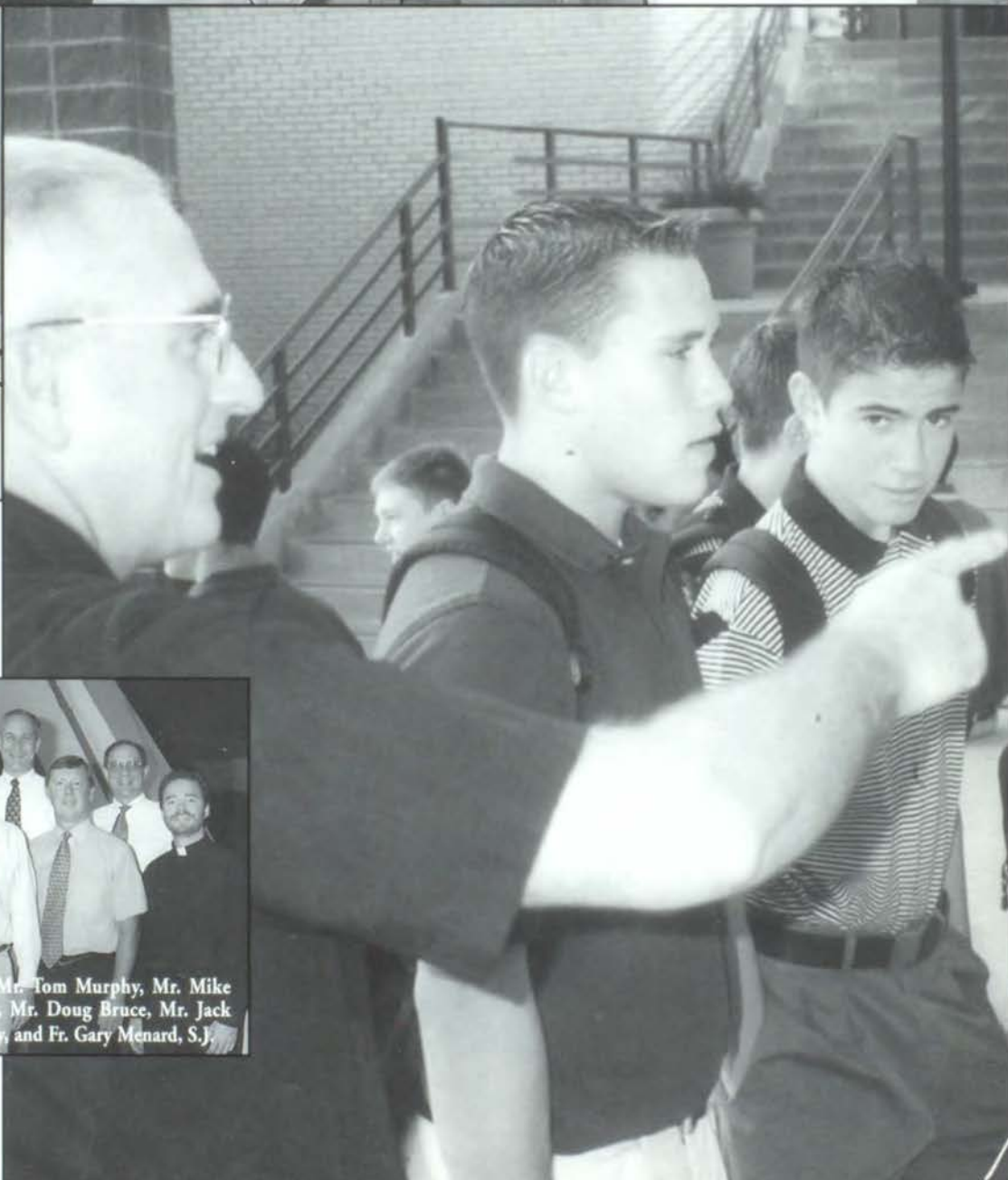
together as we get through hardships such as death. We lost important people, but we did not collapse. We united even more and supported each other. We remained the Rock.

"...but it did not collapse because it was built on rock."

Senior Matt Finucane listens as Mr. David Alvey reiterates his policy on senior skip day. Mr. Michael Heringer, David Finke and Jack Bondon display the 1999-2000 Spirit Shirt. Mr. Larry Ruby held the school together in his role as Acting Principal.



Admissions Director Mr. Jack Reichmeier talks with the mother of a prospective freshman. Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J., directs new students to the commons on the first day of class.



Members of the Administrative Staff were Mr. Tom Murphy, Mr. Mike Heringer, Mr. Rob Herald, Mr. Dave Alvey, Mr. Doug Bruce, Mr. Jack Reichmeier, Mr. Rodger Cilley, Mr. Larry Ruby, and Fr. Gary Menard, S.J.

Death of Principal Murphy challenges community

Despite the untimely death of Principal Thomas Murphy, the Administration continued to function at full speed this year, due in great part to the extra effort put forth by Mr. Larry Ruby, Academic Vice-Principal, his staff and the faculty, according to Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J., President.

"The whole staff did an extraordinary job. If we did not have them the school would have ceased to exist."

Father Pesci commented.

Every year is busy for the men and women behind the day-to-day operations of the school. They maintain the records for every student, develop the curriculum and the faculty, and monitor all the academic, pastoral and extracurricular duties.

"We have a mission to the students and their families," commented Mr. Ruby, who was appointed Acting Principal by Fr. Pesci following Mr. Murphy's death on December 28, 1999.

"If we were to let down in any area a lot of people that needed us would not be well served," he said.

Since early winter, the staff has had to assume new tasks due to the worsening of Mr. Murphy's illness, especially Mr. Ruby who besides handling Academics had to take over all the duties a principal would handle.

"This year has been so busy that I sometimes forget everything that we

do," he remarked.

Mrs. Mary Ann Olson, Academic Coordinator and Registrar, and Mrs. Kathy Johannsen, Assistant to the Principal have also heeded the call to duty by accepting the positions that had become vacant.

"The faculty has been able to step in and offer their help where it is needed," said Mr. Ruby.

The Administration spent long hours in its nationwide search for a new Principal and in April the Board of Trustees, following a comprehensive selection process approved the hiring of Mr. David Laughlin, who had been the Dean of Students at Creighton Prep in Omaha, Nebraska.

As of now the staff keeps a positive attitude and continues to stay busy, according to Mr. Ruby.

"We just have to continue, keep building on all the good and not allow ourselves to slip back," he said.

Story By Sean McLaughlin

Photo by Matt Smith



Thomas Pesci, SJ
President



Thomas Murphy
Principal



Chris Pinne, SJ
Superior of the
Jesuit Community



Larry Ruby
Assistant
Principal-
Academic Affairs



Michael Heringer
Assistant
Principal-
Student Affairs



Jack Reichmeier
Director of Admission
& Financial Aid



Doug Bruce
Director of Athletics



Laurence Freeman
Executive Director
of Alumni Affairs



Dave Alvey
Dean of Students



Rob Herald
Director of College
Counseling



Above and clockwise: Mrs. Missy Hubert and Mr. Rob Herald hold one of their several College Seminars for parents and students. Mrs. Deloris Weist is the first contact many people have with Rockhurst. Mrs. Kathy Johannsen takes a break from her busy schedule helping Mr. Larry Ruby. Mrs. Mary Ann Olson provides invaluable service as school Registrar and assistant to Mr. Ruby. Mr. Tom Norman and Mrs. Judie Scanlon share a moment of levity at a faculty meeting. Ms. Jeanne-Marie Siva joined the Business Office in January. Mrs. Nancy Kincaid is really into her plants and flowers in the College Placement Office.



Members of the Rockhurst High School Board of Trustees and guests of the Board are: SEATED: Mr. Henry J. Massman, IV, Mr. James A. Olson, Chairman, Rev. Thomas A. Pesci, S.J., President of Rockhurst High School, Mr. Ray D. Evans, Mr. Michael J. Van Dyke. STANDING: Rev. Phillip G. Steele, S.J., Socius and Assistant for Secondary Education for the Jesuit of the Missouri Province, Mr. Daniel C. Fuhrman, Mr. Ronald T. Barnes, Mrs. Alice J. Munninghoff, Rev. Christopher P. Pinne, S.J., Mr. David M. Knopke, Rev. Keith P. McMillan, S.J., Rev. Timothy M. McMahon, S.J., Rev. Frank E. Reale, S.J., Provincial for the Jesuits of the Missouri Province. NOT PICTURED: Mr. George M. Guastello II, Mr. Daniel T. Hogerty, Rev. Robert V. Hotz, S.J., Mr. Kerry E. Reardon, Mr. Allen K. Roberson, Mrs. Grace Couchonnal, and Mrs. Jeanne Gorman-Rau.



Staff works hard to fill in gaps left by death of Principal Tom Murphy



Jean Barnhart



Dana Brack



Cheryl Cavlovich



Melody Degnan



Missy Hubert



Kathy Johannsen



Nancy Kincaid



Mary Ann Olson



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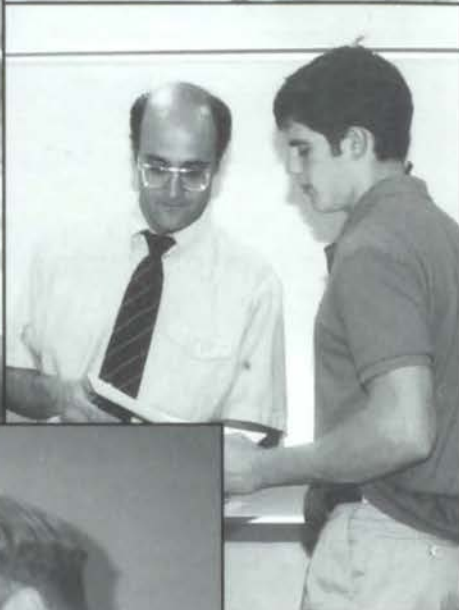
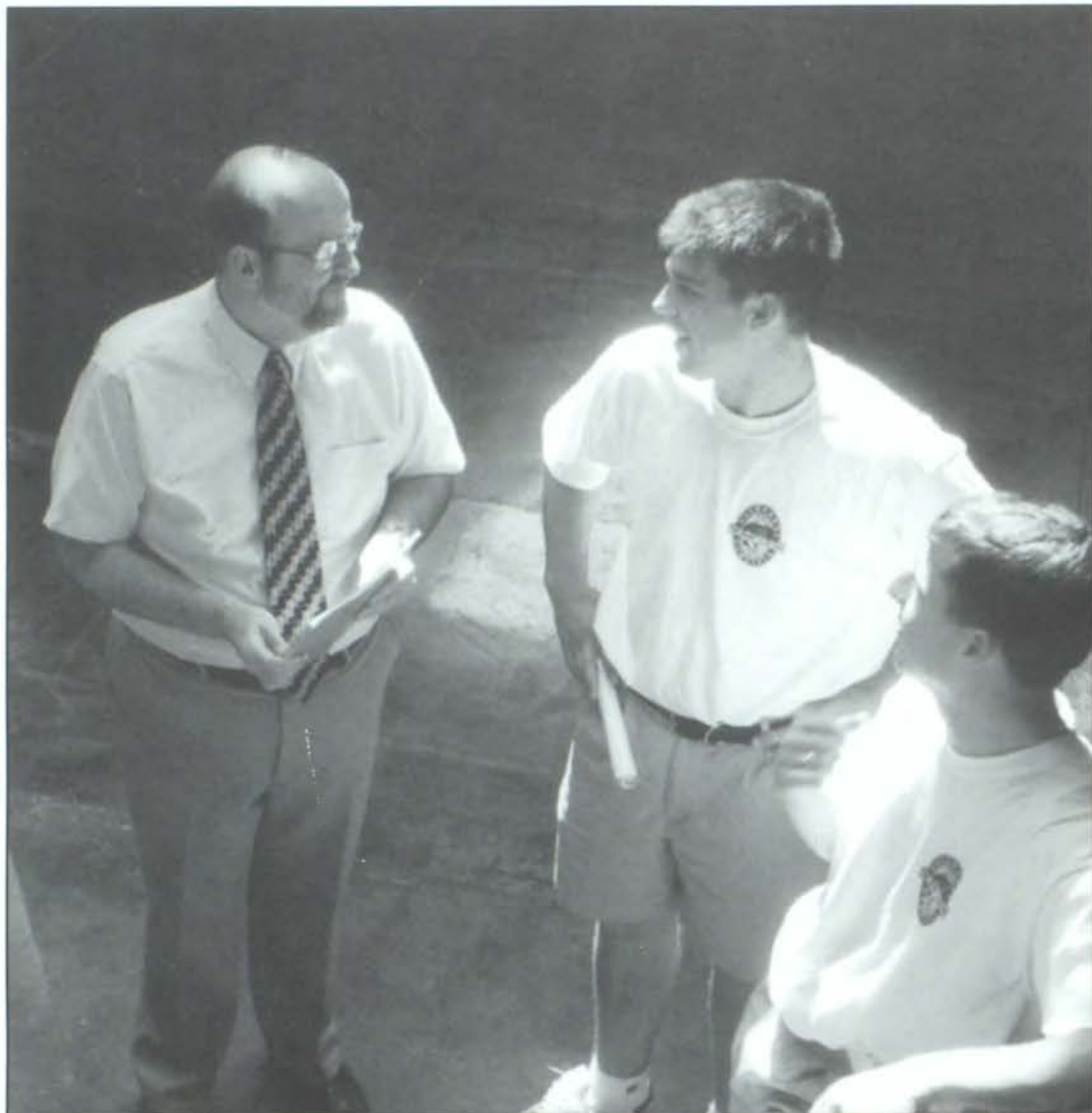


Nancy Wormington



Photo by Moatt Hoefler

Ms. Amanda Pierce reads over a eighth grader's application in her capacity as Assistant Admissions Director.



Mrs. Jennifer Olson, Mr. Corey Quinn, Mrs. Laurie Prater, Mr. Chris Jensen, and Mr. Rob Bergman converse in the faculty studio during the faculty retreat. Mr. Andy Hagedorn shares some insight on disciplining freshmen with seniors Tony Vontz and Kelly McMahon during freshmen orientation. Mr. Chris Jensen gives junior Kevin Aylward tips on how to improve his essay. Mr. Jim Bascom accepts senior Alex Krump's English essay. Mr. Rob Bergman and junior Brian Dreis enjoy the weather while discussing their favorite books.

Two new teachers added; plans for an 'innovative yet traditional curriculum' implemented



James Bascom



Robert Bergman



Joseph Fleming



Frank Griffin



Andrew Hagedorn



Chris Jensen



Jennifer Olson



Laurie Prater

Big changes are being planned in the English Department for the 2000-2001 school year, according to Mr. Andy Hagedorn, Department Chairman. Instead of concentrating the development of writing skills on the junior year, a more balanced emphasis

will be placed upon it from the sophomore through senior years. In addition, the two Advanced Placement courses will be restricted to seniors. However, as is currently the fashion in other departments, seniors will have the option to take either a literature or a composition class, or both.

The *Saint Martin's Guide to Writing*, for years a staple in the junior English curriculum, will now be divided between the junior and senior year. These changes, as Mr. Hagedorn said, will provide an "innovative, yet traditional curriculum," for the Rockhurst English student.

The English Department welcomed two new teachers for the 1999-2000 school year. Mrs. Laurie Prater taught sophomores and juniors, and Mr. Chris Jensen instructed juniors. Besides his Junior and Senior Advanced Placement classes, Mr. Hagedorn also taught two freshman honors courses.

Other senior instructors included Mr. Frank Griffin and Mr. Jim Bascom, who both also taught freshman English.

Second-year teacher Mr. Rob Bergman taught seniors and sophomores.

Mr. Joe Fleming, photography teacher and *Quarry yearbook* moderator, taught the two Sophomore honors classes.

Although he may be better known for his Technical Theater and Stage Design classes, Mr. Bill Murphy actually taught more English classes than theatrical ones.

Completing the English Department were two second-year teachers. Mrs. Jennifer Olson instructed freshmen and sophomores, while Mr. Dan Gerth directed freshmen in addition to his duties as a Social Studies teacher. Story By Patrick Jakopchek

Photo by Kert Crowe

Photo by Trevor Duval



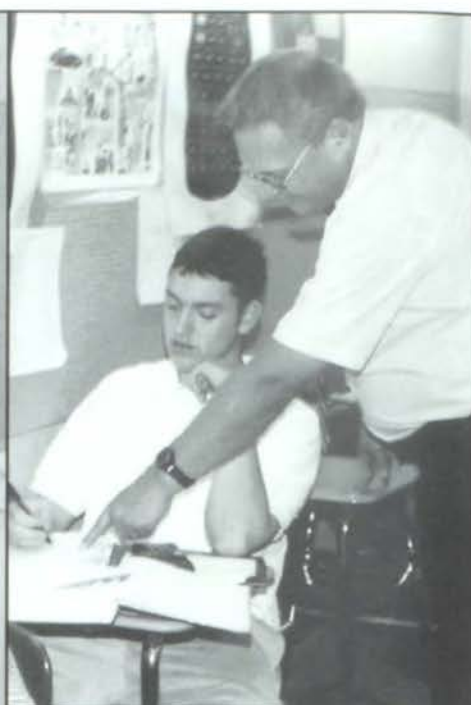
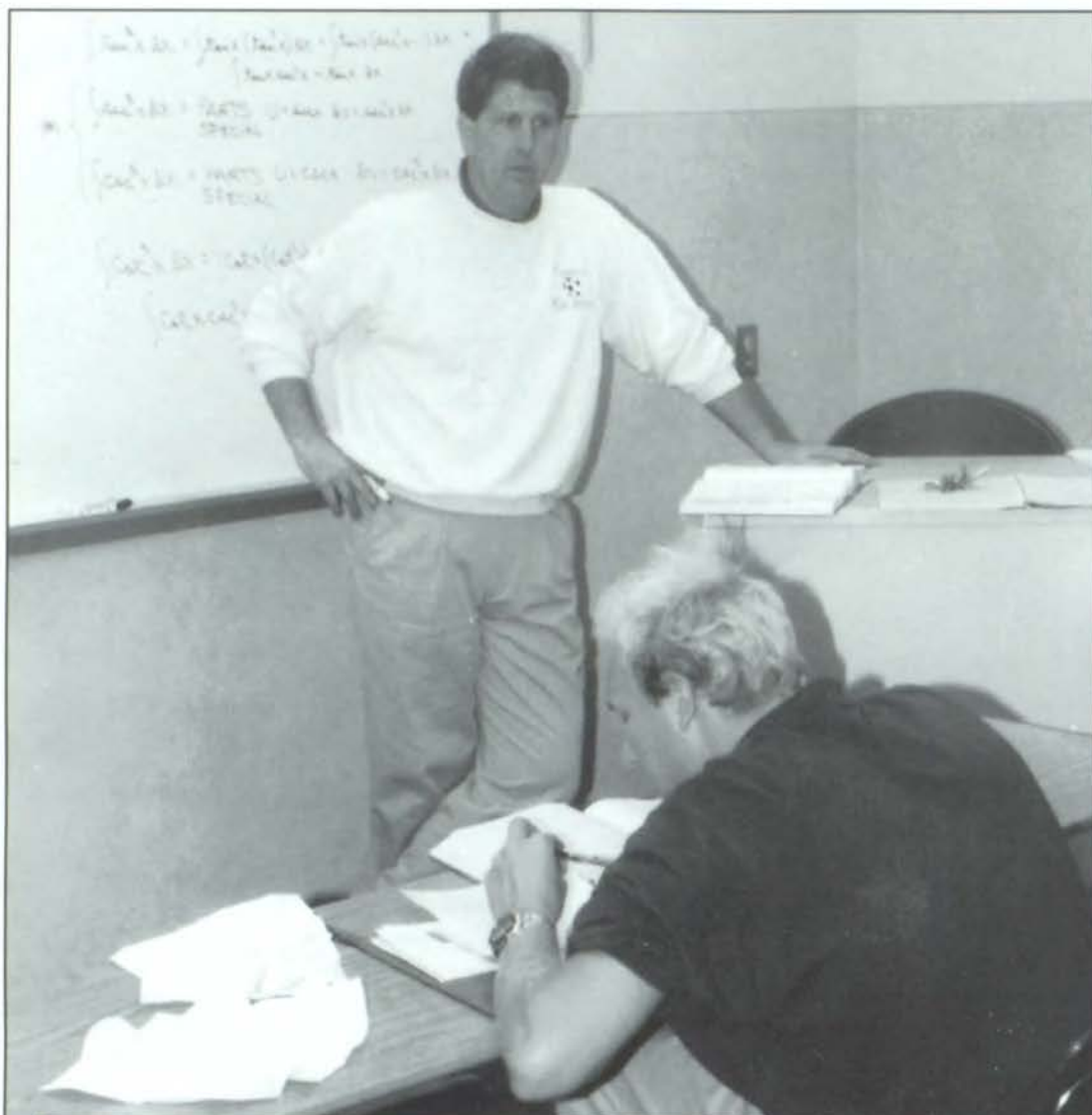


Photo by Colin McFarland

Mr. Peter Campbell lectures to his seniors on the purpose of analytical Geometry. Mr. Doug Bruce explains the fundamentals of Calculus II to senior Adam Flack. Mr. Scott Duschen points to a mistake on junior John Walz's trigonometry problem. Mr. Mark Nusbaum points to the evening's assignment. Mr. Roger Cilley and Mr. Frank Lyngar smile for the camera in the Rose Theater.

Math Department stays current with addition of three teachers and new books



Ryan Bailey



Phil Baker



Doug Bruce



Peter Campbell



Scott Duschen



Paul Klene



Frank Lyngar



Kevin McArdle



Mark Nusbaum



John McEniry



Gary Menard, SJ



Paul Ptasnick

The Math Department added three new faculty members, Mr. Kevin McArdle, Mr. Ryan Bailey, and Fr. Gary Menard S.J.

Mr. McArdle, a '95 Rockhurst graduate, teaches Algebra I, Algebra II/Trigonometry, and is the Head Coach of the JV soccer team. Mr. Bailey, also from the class of '95 and a member of the Alumni Service Corps, teaches Algebra I, Algebra II/Trigonometry, and is the assistant coach of the Freshmen Soccer team. Fr. Menard teaches Geometry/Algebra II, and is Pastoral Director where he provides students with spiritual and academic guidance.

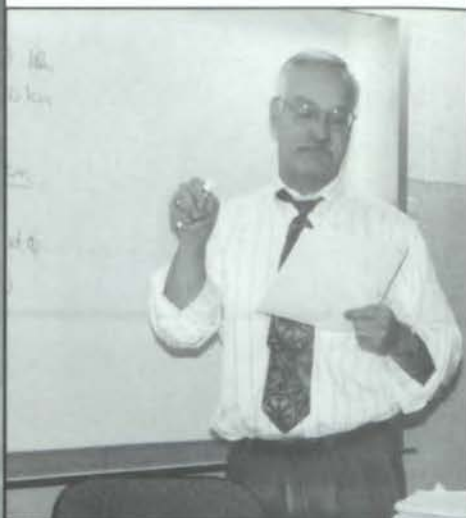
The department offers a wide variety of courses ranging from Algebra I to Calculus II.

"The vast range of curriculum ensures that the students graduate from Rockhurst well-rounded in an extremely difficult area of study," said Mr. Phil Baker, who teaches Geometry/Algebra II and Algebra I.

Three new texts added this year in Algebra I, Algebra II/Geometry, and Applied Calculus have proven to be very helpful, according to Mr. Paul Ptasnik, Department Chairman. "The new books place a greater emphasis on skills and, most importantly, show the students how to apply math skills to the real world," Mr. Ptasnik said.

"These books have better examples than the previous ones," said sophomore Khule Mayberry.

Story by Danny Mulhern



Mrs. Catherine Geisel shows sophomore Nathan Crowe how to use a microscope. Dr. Fred Campisano explains vectors, sine, and cosine to his physics class. Mr. Ron Geldhof gives the basic facts of the periodic table in his Chemistry class. Mr. Richard Wikiera explains to sophomore Cameron Nordholm why humans have a four-chambered heart and lizards only have three chambers. Mr. Paul Winkeler receives the chalice from Eucharistic Minister Mr. Larry Ruby at the faculty retreat mass.



A century of experience puts department in the 'best shape ever'

years!

The Science Department added new textbooks and courses in Biology and Chemistry in an attempt to add variety to its curriculum. These changes have been well received by faculty and students alike.

"The new Chemistry text is the best we could find because it is informative and clear," said Mr. Mike O'Leary, biology and chemistry instructor.

"The department is the best it's ever been," said Mr. Ron Geldhof, the Department Chairman. "With three levels of Biology and Chemistry we have much more to offer the students," he said.

Two teachers were added to the department. Mr. Paul Winkler teaches General Chemistry and Physical Science, and Mrs. Catherine Geisel teaches General Biology.

These new teachers will try to learn the tricks of the trade from the veterans Dr. Fred Campisano, Mr. Steve Ryan, and Mr. Rich Wikiera who have over 100 years of teaching experience together. Story by John Walz



Fred Campisano



Catherine Geisel



Ron Geldof



Michael O'Leary



Steve Ryan



Richard Wikiera



Paul Winkler

Mr. Michael O'Leary and Mr. Steve Ryan discuss class plans and Varsity Golf schedules at the first faculty meeting of the year.



Photo by Trevor Duvall



Photo by Bob Stokes

Fr. David Suwalsky, S.J., consecrates the host as Fr. Gary Menard, S.J., and Fr. Chris Pinne, S.J., concelebrate. Fr. Suwalsky's Liturgy and Worship class helped to plan several of the liturgies during the year. Mrs. Jerry Featherston attempts to help junior Chad Heisberger with his Christian Scripture report. Mr. Tom Norman writes down notes for his Hebrew Scriptures class while Mr. Corey Quinn takes a call. Mr. John Morris gives a lecture on the finer points of Faith and Justice. Mr. Brad Grabs discusses the imprisonment of Leonard Peltier with senior Joe Gall.

Department continues to build 'Men for Others'

The Theology Department promotes the growth of students into upstanding members of society and is a unique and special part of Rockhurst that separates it from the norm. These courses help the students better understand and grow in their faith, as students learn how to be "Men For Others."

New to the department this year

was Mr. Kevin Charcut who graduated from RHS in 1995. He taught Freshman Introduction to Theology, and Church History while serving as a member of the Alum Service Corps.

"He works hard to do his job well," said Fr. Chris Pinne who assumed the chairmanship of the department from Mr. Tom Norman.

"One reason the department has stayed the same over the years is because of its continuity," Fr. Pinne said. "The teachers have a total of 69.5 years of combined teaching experience and are known for their unique characteristics such as Mr. Norman's enthusiasm for acting out the scriptures, and Ms. Peggy Mulvihill's dedication to the Regis Club," he said.

Junior classes took a field trip early

in the first semester when they walked down Ward Parkway to the Beth Shalom Synagogue and learned first hand about the Jewish faith which they were studying in their Hebrew Scriptures class.

"The trip really helped me understand what we were learning about in class and was a rewarding experience," junior Mitch Kelly commented.

Fr. Pinne summed up the year saying, "It's fun doing God's work."

Story by Jerry Miller



KC Blair



Kevin Charcut



Jay Coleman



Jerry Featherston



Brad Grabs



John Morris



Peggy Mulvihill



Tom Norman



Chris Pinne, SJ



Corey Quinn



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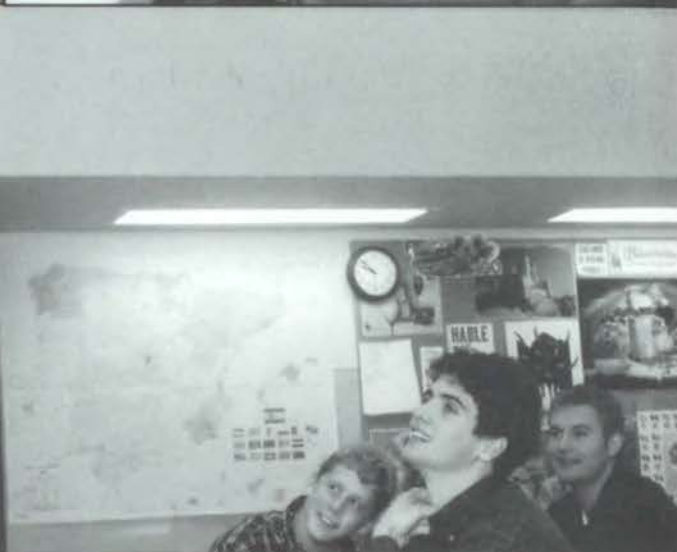
Father Chris Pinne, S.J., relaxes while on a boat ride during his annual spring break trip to Honduras with several students to assist at the Jesuit Mission.



Photo by Josh Polinelli

Photo by Matt Darby

Dr. Michael Cusick received his hard-earned Ph.D in April. Ms. Sabina Mills grades French tests in the faculty studio. Dr. Jorge Taracido explains Spanish homework to senior Jeremy McGannon.



Mrs. Kristin Anderson took the second semester off for maternity leave, with positive results. Mr. Richard Staihr looks back at a picture on his chalkboard as seniors Geoff Wilson and Cole Dimond look on with amusement. Dr. Michael Cusick explains the accusative case to a Latin student. Opposite page: Ms. Dana Mardock filled in admirably during Ms. Sabina Mills' recovery from hip surgery. Mr. Andy Hagedorn expresses his disdain for the photographer as Dr. Taracido looks on.



Photos by Collin Koranda

Foreign Language adds advanced placement courses and two experienced instructors



With the addition of AP courses in Spanish, French, and Latin, the Foreign Language Department has strengthened its curriculum.

"These new classes are very challenging and emphasize speaking and writing more than ever before," stated Department Chairman Dr. Jorge Taracido, a 15-year veteran.

Students now have the opportunity to take college-level foreign language courses which enables them to speak fluently by the end of the year. Higher scores on AP exams are anticipated from the rigors that students have had to endure in the AP classes.

The Department was boosted this year by the addition of French teacher Miss Sabina Mills and new Spanish teacher Miss Angelina Mabe. Ms. Mills is from Bordeaux, France, a small town in the south portion of the country. She took leave in February to have hip surgery and was replaced by Mrs. Dana Murdock. The department also added more depth as the former Mr. Michael Cusick received his Doctorate.

Ms. Mabe, who filled in for Mrs. Kristen Anderson while she was on maternity leave, experienced great success, according to Doctor Taracido.

"Ms. Mabe and Ms. Mills are great additions. It is especially nice to have a native French speaker like Ms. Mills teaching our students," he said.

Story by Dustin Charapata



Kristin Anderson



Michael Cusick



Sabina Mills



Anne Otto



Bert Roney



Richard Stairh



Jorge Taracido

Not Pictured: Mrs. Angelina Mabe



Photo by Matt Darby

Fr. David Suwalsky, S.J., lets Dan Heryer know the ins and outs of Reconstruction. Mr. Chris Lawson gives fatherly advice to freshman Kyle Perez. Mr. Chris Elmore and junior Sean Hughes debate The New Deal.

Photo by Kyle Martin



Photo by John Linhoff



Photo By Kevin Moore

Dr. Jerry Gobin and junior Ryan McIntosh discuss the implications of Vietnam on today's youth. Roman soldier Charles Kenning shows Mr. Degraw and his class the proper spear throwing technique.



New offerings help to expand department's course range

With a record class of freshmen as well as nearly all of the department members coaching, there was more work to do than ever before for the Social Studies Department, according to Chairman Dr. Jerry Goben.

The department has been restructuring in several ways in preparation for the 2000-2001 school year. The Freshmen Geography class has been replaced with a class called Humanities which focuses on civilizations and their histories. This is in addition to helping with study skills and learning about current affairs and world problems.

Sociology has been replaced by Contemporary World Problems. A new honors Government course as well as an honors US History class and an AP European History course have been added.

"It was a much needed time for some reconstruction, a new schedule for the new millennium," said Dr. Goben.

The department was not able to make its usual trip to the World War One Memorial because of construction, but traveled to Washington, DC, for the Model UN and to the Johnson County Community College for the Freshmen and Sophomore Model UN.

With the help of Mr. Larry Ruby, Mr. Ryan Nicholson, Mr. Jim Degraw, Mr. Chris Lawson, Mr. Al Carruthers, Mr. Rich Sullivan, Mr. Chris Elmore, Fr. David Suwalsky, and Mr. Dan Gerth, the Social Studies Department is, according to Dr. Goben, "the best dammed department on God's green Earth."

Story by Ryan Fagan



Alan Carruthers



Jim DeGraw



Jeff Crowe



Chris Elmore



Dan Gerth



Jerry Goben



Chris Lawson



Ryan Nicholson



Larry Ruby



Richard Sullivan



David Suwalsky, S.J.



Photo by Kert Crowe



Mr. Mike Kern gives tips on improvisation to sophomore Jess Mooney during his Jazz class. Mrs. Connie Greany discusses texture in pottery with sophomore Pat Reed. Mr. Lon West draws a corrective suggestion for one of his students. Mr. Rodger Cilley shows the kind of enthusiasm his actors should use with this particular scene. Mr. Don Ramsey explains some techniques for doing well at the weekend's debate.

Interest grows in the arts with the renovation complete

Improvements have been made in leaps and bounds in the Art Department with many new additions. The theater classes and the theater tech workshop took the place of the old art room, and the old President's Offices were remodeled into the art room.

"We lost some space with our move, but in this area we are closer to the kiln and a bit more organized," said Mrs. Connie Greany, Art instructor. Mrs. Greany teaches Hand Pottery, Advanced Hand Pottery, Wheel Pottery, Painting, and Advanced Drawing. Advanced Drawing, a new course, helps enhance students drawing skills and visual communication of ideas. Art and Architecture teacher Mr. Lon West has a new room entirely devoted to the course with large drafting tables and architecture tools.

The new theater area has a computer lab, a workshop, and a new studio theater classroom. Mr. Rodger Cilley, Department Chairmen, directed two plays instead of three due to the construction. He says technology is beginning to play a larger part in the department.

"With the new computer lab, we are able to emphasize stage architecture along with other technical stage areas," he said.

This summer Mr. Cilley took 40 students to New York City to see two Broadway shows.

"I have been doing this for five years and I take the first 40 students who volunteer. It's a really great experience for them as well for as me," he said.

Mrs. Greany took the members of the Art Club to the studios of Michael Smith and Kathy Banard where they saw various ceramic displays along with glass sculptures.

Mr. Cilley hopes to have two full-time drama teachers in the future, along with Mr. Bill Murphy who teaches Stage Design and Technical Theater, to allow more electives to be offered such as a stagecrafts course and an Introduction to Theater.

Mr. Cilley hopes to see another teacher hired to help out Mr. Don Ramsey and Ms. Betsy Sexton in the Public Speaking, Forensics, and Speech and Debate courses and he also hopes to see a full time vocal instructor to help Mr. Michael Kern and Mr. Scott Farthing with the musical side of the department.

Mr. Michael Dierks joined the department, teaching Journalism and moderating the student newspaper.

"Mr. Dierks has done a great job in taking over *The Prep News*. The students are getting great instruction," said Mr. Cilley.

"We have undergone changes since Mr. Mark Bubalo left, but we continue to strive for the excellence and tradition that was established," said Mr. Dierks.



Rodger Cilley



Michael Dierks



Joseph Fleming



Connie Greany



Michael Kern



William Murphy



Donald Ramsey



Betsy Sexton



Lon West

"The students interest in the art department is tremendous and I hope it continues to grow," said Mr. Cilley.

"We are all committed to excellence in our areas and we are always looking for ways to develop students' interest. We have the finest arts faculty I have ever encountered," said Mr. Cilley. Story by Pat O'Brien



Mr. Scott Farthing, Vocal Music Instructor, receives recognition from Mr. Rodger Cilley during the annual Fine Arts Awards night.

Buddy Worth's hard work can be seen throughout the new facilities

The Business Department experienced an egregious loss in February with the death of Mr. Murrel "Buddy" Worth, a long-time faculty member. Mr. Worth, who touched many in a special way, had pushed hard for improvements within the department, including newer and better computers, and was instrumental in securing the funds for the upgraded computer labs.

Led by veteran instructors Mr. Bernie Kreikemeier and Mr. John McEniry, and strengthened by Fr. Gary Menard and Mr. Kevin Campbell, the outward goal of the department was to train students for future business roles in classes such as Accounting, Computer Applications I & II, Pascal I & II, and C++ programming. This mission was helped by this year's addition of all new computer labs. The once massive room that

housed all of the department classes is now split into two state-of-the-art classrooms. Each computer now has a Windows 98 operating system, and more than half of the computers were replaced.

"The fact that we have only had two failures out of 35 new computers and that they were immediately fixed attests to the increased reliability of our computer labs," Mr. McEniry said. "It has allowed a major increase in the smoothness of our operation and for future classes."

"It is so much easier to know what Mr. McEniry is talking about now that he has his computer hooked up to the TVs," stated senior Paul Mattione. The accounting classes also have new software entitled *Audit With Alex*, a program that shows real life application of their accounting lectures.

Story by Bob Stokes



Kevin Campbell



Bernie Kreikemeier



John McEniry



Buddy Worth



Mr. Bernie Kreikemeier shows a freshman how to use the spreadsheet during a summer school class. Fr. Gary Menard, S.J., types up a lesson plan for his next class. Mr. John McEniry reads out the homework assignment to his Pascal class.

Former Hawklet works with 'old' mentor

The Physical Education Department added a new face to the staff with Rockhurst alum Mr. Matt Nolen, Class of '88. Coach Nolen, a member of the 1987 State Championship Football Team under fellow PE teacher and Head Coach Mr. Tony Severino, said that working with Coach Sev is like "having an older brother to guide you through your endeavors."

"Matt has done a great job this year. He is a breath of fresh air to the program, and he has added a lot to the school," Coach Severino said.

Coaches Severino and Nolen handle four and five classes respectively, including the popular Lifetime Sports. Here students are provided with opportunities to show off their driving power at Minor Park Golf

Course or bowl a few strikes at Ward Parkway Lanes. The students are able to leave when the bell rings and meet up with their class. After hitting one bucket of balls or bowling one game, they return to the campus with enough time to get to class.

Students in the physical education and physical fitness classes participate in competitive games of football and basketball, and work out weekly in the weight room.

"It's been an excellent year,"

Coach Severino said. "The kids truly enjoy physical education, and it gives them a nice break in the day."

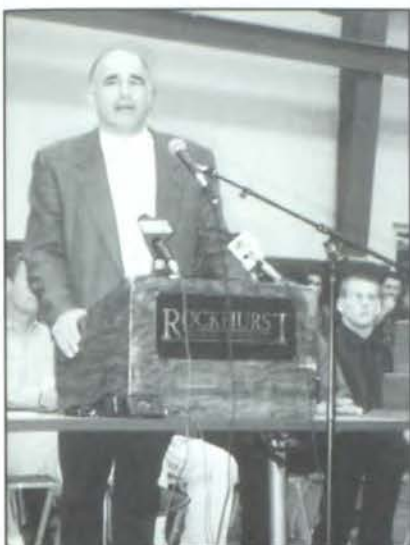
"Returning to RHS has been a great experience so far," Coach Nolen said. "It's like returning to your old neighborhood and reuniting with your family." Story by Andrew Zender



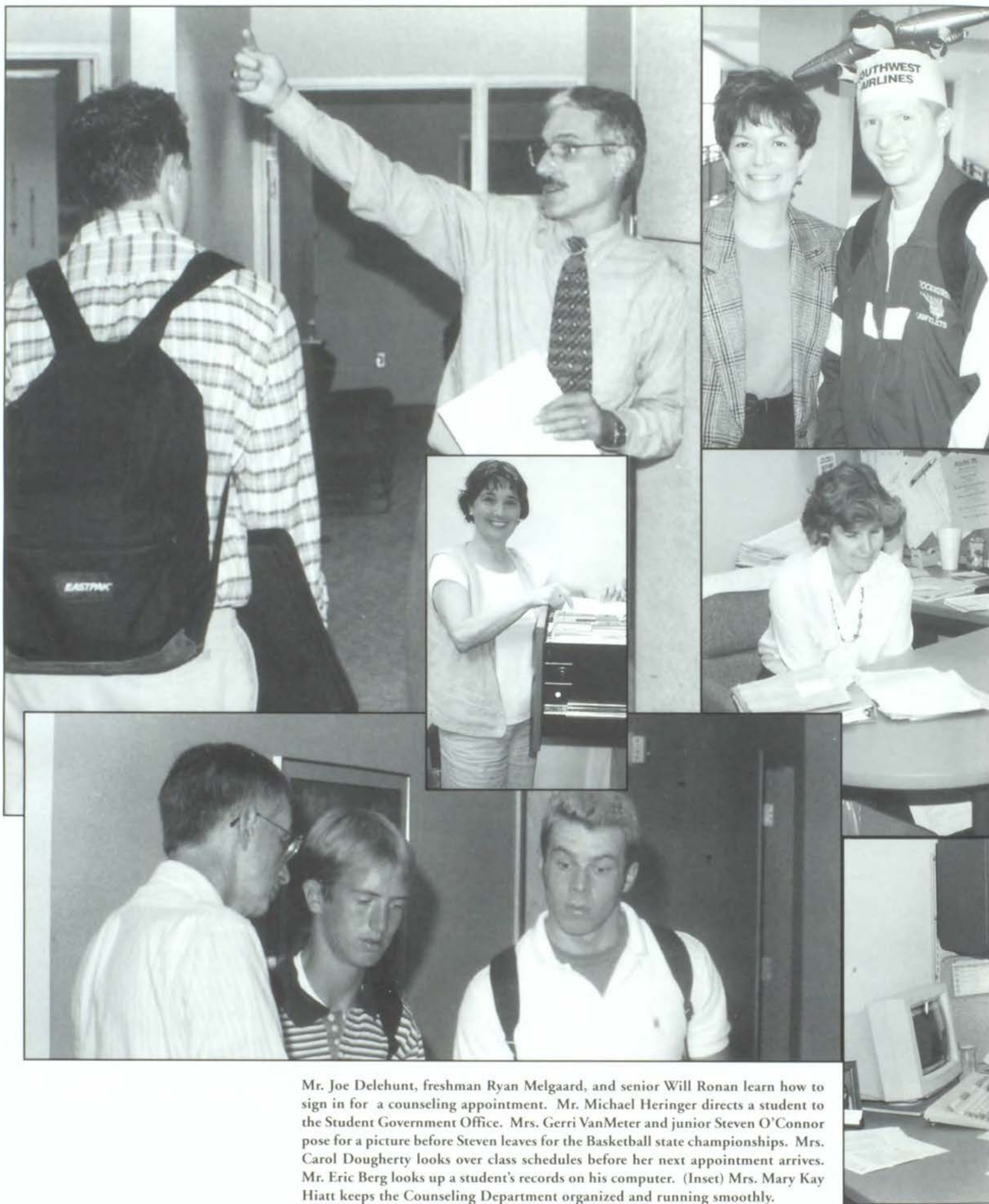
Matt Nolen



Tony Severino



Coach Tony Severino addresses the crowd at an award ceremony. Mr. Matt Nolen tells parents about his Physical Education class at Open House. Coach Severino helps clean up after a pep assembly which he helped to plan.



Mr. Joe Delehunt, freshman Ryan Melgaard, and senior Will Ronan learn how to sign in for a counseling appointment. Mr. Michael Heringer directs a student to the Student Government Office. Mrs. Gerri VanMeter and junior Steven O'Connor pose for a picture before Steven leaves for the Basketball state championships. Mrs. Carol Dougherty looks over class schedules before her next appointment arrives. Mr. Eric Berg looks up a student's records on his computer. (Inset) Mrs. Mary Kay Hiatt keeps the Counseling Department organized and running smoothly.

Counseling Department expands to handle the influx of freshmen students



Eric Berg



Joseph Delehunt



Carol Dougherty



Michael Heringer



Mary Kay Hiatt



Bill Munninghoff



Gerri VanMeter



Department Chairman Mr. Bill Munninghoff advises Matt Darby and Kirk Wood about avoiding "senior slide."

The Counseling Department experienced many changes throughout the year. With Fr. David Suwalsky, S.J. stepping down as Vice-Principal of Student Affairs, the position had to be filled. Mr. Michael Heringer who has served as a counselor for many years, took Fr. Suwalsky's position so he had to be replaced in the counseling office.

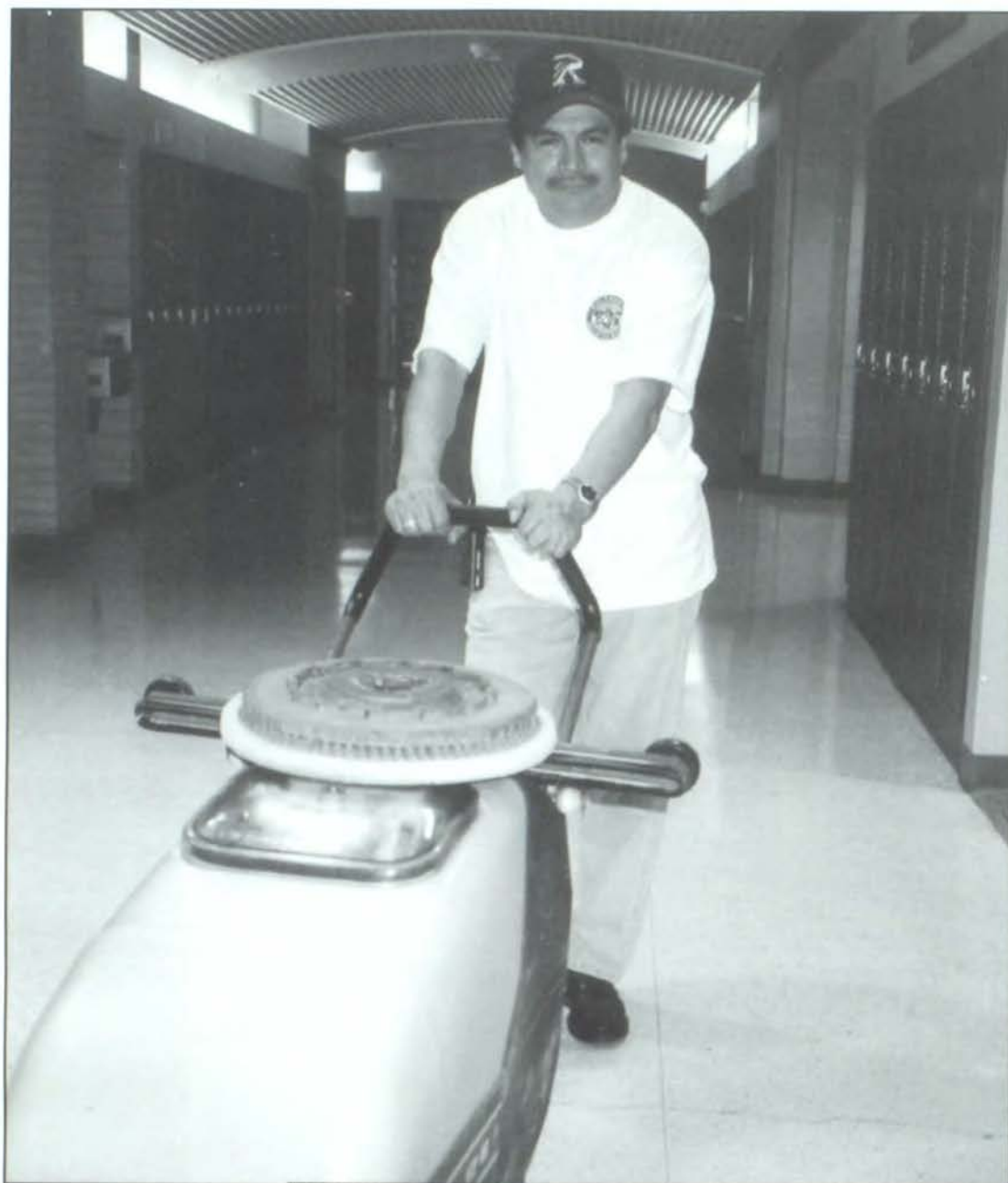
Mrs. Gerri Van Meter assumed much of Mr. Heringer's counseling of mostly underclassman and a few upperclassman. Since the freshman class was so large, one more counselor was needed, so Mr. Joe Delehunt, formerly the Pastoral Director stepped in to help out. He, however, remains in charge of the service hours for students. When they heard

that Fr. Gary Menard, S.J. was coming to Rockhurst they thought he would be a perfect Pastoral Director.

Besides advising students the counselors also carry the responsibilities of student's schedules. They are the people who set up a plan for each student. They also administer the aptitude tests throughout the school. In addition to work during school, Mr. Bill Munninghoff, head of the Counseling Department, and Mr. Eric Berg coach basketball and football respectively.

"What students need to know is that we are here to help them, we are on their side and we can be very helpful if they let us do our job," said Mr. Munninghoff. Story by John Walz





Mr. Mark Pineda buffs the floor after more than 900 boys have scuffed it up. Mrs. Lima Esperanza finishes stocking the bathroom. Mr. Deng Khammanivong digs a ditch around the front of the old building. Mr. Alfredo Jaime, Mr. Langley Thatsanithone, Mr. Roger Dickey, and Mr. Ben Sabido reline the trash cans after lunch. Mr. Ben Sabido fixes a leaky faucet in the McGee Hall restroom.



Maintenance staff keeps the school spotless and running effeciently



Tony Brown



J.W. DeCamp



Roger Dickey



Alfredo Jaime



Deng Khammanivong



Lima Esperanza



Mark Pineda



Moises Ramirez



Rudy Rodriguez



Ben Sabido



Angel Sandoval



Luis Sandoval



Langley Thatsanithone



Artie Vielhauer



Harry Ward



Mr. Harry Ward drives the tractor down to the main field pulling a vat of fertilizer.

ALUMNI SERVICE CORPS

ROCKHURST MEN SERVING ROCKHURST MEN

The Alumni Service Corps is a program in which recent college graduates and Jesuit high school alums donate a year of service by teaching as a thank you to the Jesuit community. Two alums, Mr. Ryan Bailey and Mr. Kevin Charcut, both from the class of 1995 made up the most recent service corps. They lived on the south side of campus at the Hannah Steele house for the year and involved themselves in many of the school's activities.

Mr. Bailey, who attended Creighton University, teaches Algebra I and II and is an assistant freshman soccer coach. Mr. Charcut attended Loyola University, Chicago, teaches Freshman Theology and is the assistant Varsity Soccer coach.

Mr. Charcut and Mr. Bailey decided to join the Alumni Service Corps as a form of repayment.

"After eight years of Jesuit education, I saw I had been given a lot and wanted to give something back to the Jesuits, especially Rockhurst," Mr. Charcut said.

Both Mr. Bailey and Mr. Charcut have college degrees and could be doing other things but they choose to give a year back as a sign of thanks," said Fr. Chris Pinne who supervises the Alumni Service Corps for the Missouri province.

Besides coaching, Mr. Bailey and Mr. Charcut find time to enjoy themselves in their spare time. Mr. Charcut cites mountain biking as



Ryan Bailey
Class of 1995



Kevin Charcut
Class of 1995

one of his favorite hobbies, and Mr. Bailey mentions both the Playstation, and the dart board as his favorite out-of-school activities. As for food, they keep it simple and quick. They cook about half the time and eat out about half the time.

Mr. Bailey plans to attend law school after his year of service is up, and Mr. Charcut plans to find or create a job based around the issue of social justice. Story by Jerry Miller



Photo by Jerry Miller

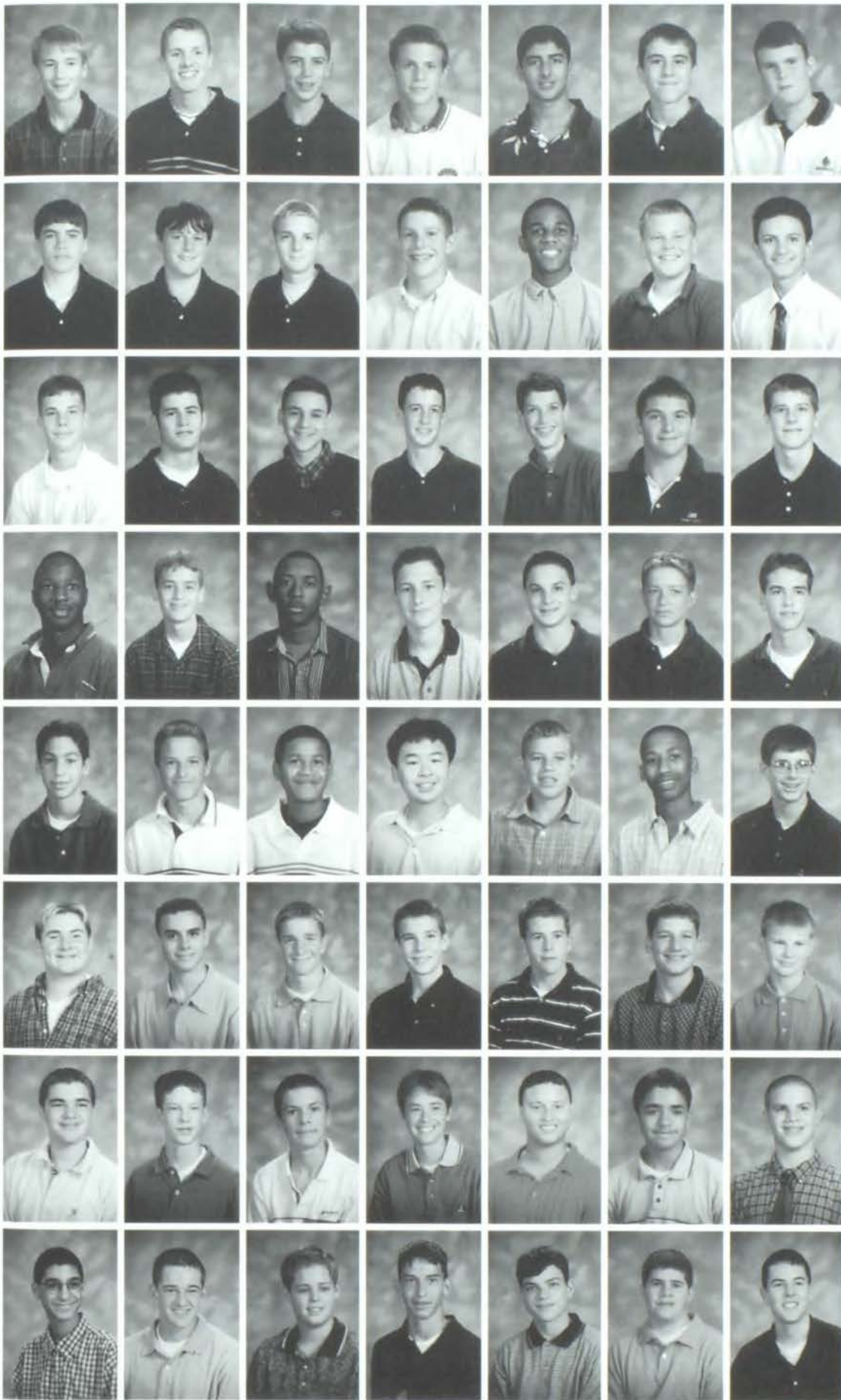


Photo by Jerry Miller



During their free time, Mr. Bailey and Mr. Charcut enjoy chipping golf balls behind the Hannah Steele house. Mr. Bailey teaches Algebra I and Algebra II classes as a form of service towards the school. Mr. Bailey and Mr. Charcut were both assistant coaches for soccer teams.





Christopher Able
 Christopher Adair
 Patrick Allegri
 Timothy Allen
 William Allen
 Alexander Altomare
 Michael Amini
 Matthew Anderson
 Nicholas Anderson

Eric Andrew
 Zachary Appl
 Brendan Arthur
 Brian Aylward
 David Bangert
 Jordan Bastable
 Steven Baugh
 Noah Beach
 John Becker

Andrew Beisser
 Charles Bennett
 Mark Bennett
 Brian Betterman
 Philopater Bishop
 Adam Blake
 Joshua Boesen
 Daniel Boyd
 Andrew Bradshaw

Donald Brain
 Colin Bridgham
 Jerrell Briggs
 Kevin Brown
 Eric Burtin
 Ian Burton
 Nicholas Callegari
 Scott Campbell
 Scott Carpenter

Nicholas Carr
 Adrian Carson
 David Cascio
 Andrew Charlton
 Deron Cherry
 Darren Chiao
 Nicholas Cicero
 Anthony Claret
 Andrew Clement

Zachary Cofran
 Michael Comiskey
 Philip Connealy
 Sean Cooney
 Daniel Cooper
 Andrew Crutchfield
 Thomas Daly
 Drew Davison
 David DeWolfe

Aaron Dias
 Alex DiCarlo
 Ross DiSalvo
 Christopher Donnelly
 Thomas Dougherty
 Eamon Duede
 Kyle Duffin
 Russell Dugan
 Gregory Duncan

Clinton Dunsworth
 James Eftink
 Hani El-Halawany
 Michael Elmer
 Andrew Ernst
 Joshua Erwin
 Terry Euston
 Brian Fagan

Freshmen Class of 2003

Jeffrey Fahey
 Michael Farrell
 Scott Ferguson
 Michael Finn
 Colin Fiola
 Timothy Fitzgerald
 Gregg Francis
 John Francoviglia
 Jesse Franke-Rose



John Friend
 Michael Gabhart
 Brett Gamso
 Kyle Garrison
 Grant Gates
 James Glavin
 Jared Glimcher
 Ryan Gound
 Brian Graham



David Graham
 Jake Grate
 Thomas Graves
 James Griffin
 Jameson Griffith
 Colin Groves
 Adam Haake
 John Hackman
 Joseph Hager



Matthew Hall
 Timothy Hanna
 Jory Hansen
 John Hardin
 John Hawley
 Logan Heatwole
 Sean Heiman
 Nicholas Hernandez
 Jeffrey Herr



Kyle Hill
 Daniel Hindman
 William Hisle
 Dominic Hopher
 Landon Hopkins
 Thomas Houlehan
 Daniel Howard
 Aaron Howell
 Elliott Jaros



William John
 Chase Johnson
 Nicholas Johnson
 Jack Jones
 Pablo Juarez
 Matthew Judge
 Tucker Keatley
 Logan Keech
 Mark Keleher



Brian Kelly
 Nicholas Kelly
 Jonathan Kennedy
 Grant Keyser
 Michael Kincaid
 Bart King
 Nicholas Kinney
 Carl Kline
 Garrett Klingler



David Koehler
 Brian Koenen
 Alex Konales
 Alexander Kopulos
 Timothy Kratofil
 Colin Krug
 Jacob Kruger
 Scott LaMouric
 Joseph LaScala



Mr. Lon West

Art teacher who never thought he'd be here

A Rockhurst faculty member of four years, Mr. Lon West was not always going to be a drawing teacher. "I spent the early part of my life in Washington and Oklahoma," said Mr. West.

He entered Northeastern Oklahoma University as a pre-law student but discovered his passion for drawing while enrolled in drafting classes. After considering a career in architecture, he decided to share his love for art by becoming a teacher.

From being a commercial fisherman off the coast of Washington to doing art related work in the Kansas City area, Mr. West has had a wide array of careers. Since moving to Kansas City, his wife's hometown, Mr. West has designed advertisements for industrial catalogues, run a drawing studio out of his home in Brookside, and worked renovated homes in the Hyde Park district of Kansas City.

"I am hired by people who buy homes and care about their

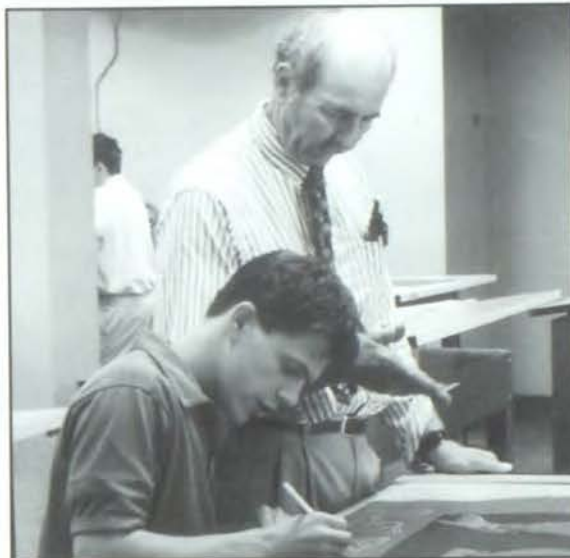


Photo by Zach Ramirez

historical significance. I restore the plaster work and other ornamental parts of the house that may have deteriorated. I have less time now that I'm a full-time teacher, but I still try to put in 25 hours a week," said Mr. West.

Away from RHS, Mr. West spends time with his wife, Clare, and 15-year-old daughter, Morgan. He relaxes by making ceramic art and getting away to his cabin in the wilderness of southern Colorado.

"It's on an old sheep ranch by the Piedra River, and the closest town is Durango. I chose to build on that spot because it is in the center of all of my favorite places," plus the trout fishing is great!" he

remarked. An avid outdoors man, Mr. West said, "I used to be a boy scout. Maybe that is where I learned to love nature and craft work."

With the new facilities, Mr. West feels that there is great potential for RHS's art department. "Now that the ceramic and drawing classes have separate classrooms it's more of a learning atmosphere. The new technology is great. It's what we needed!"

Story by Zach Ramirez

Mr. Lon West offers advice to freshman Alexander Altomare and freshman Truong Nguyen. He has been teaching art at Rockhurst for four years.



Photo by Zach Ramirez

Freshmen Class of 2003

MRS. JEAN BARNHART

OVER 1.5 MILLION SERVED

Mrs. Jean Barnhart, Rockhurst Cafeteria Manager, is responsible for all activity pertaining to the lunchroom. Her jobs include things such as contacting vendors, notifying lunch volunteers, and managing inventory. She is also responsible for all the refreshments for sports awards ceremonies and other activities where food is needed.

Mrs. Barnhart started working at Rockhurst nine years ago when Father Paul Stark and Father Robert Poirer, knowing of her experience in the restaurant business, approached her with the offer to run the cafeteria.

"I jumped on this offer because the restaurant business was too time consuming, and with this job I could spend more time with my family," said Mrs. Barnhart.

If being a mother to seven children, three who attended RHS (Alex '00, Lucas '97, Nicholas '93), and feeding more than 900 students a day is not enough, Mrs. Barnhart has two other jobs as well. She teaches religion and math at Notre Dame de Sion High School and works at the Peruvian Connection, a sweater shop. As busy as she is, Mrs. Barnhart still finds time to pursue many hobbies including working out, reading, traveling, and spending time with her family.

Mrs. Barnhart is very popular among the other lunch ladies.

"We have fun working here and would not work for anybody else," said the all Wednesday volunteer moms in unison.
 Story by Danny Mulhern

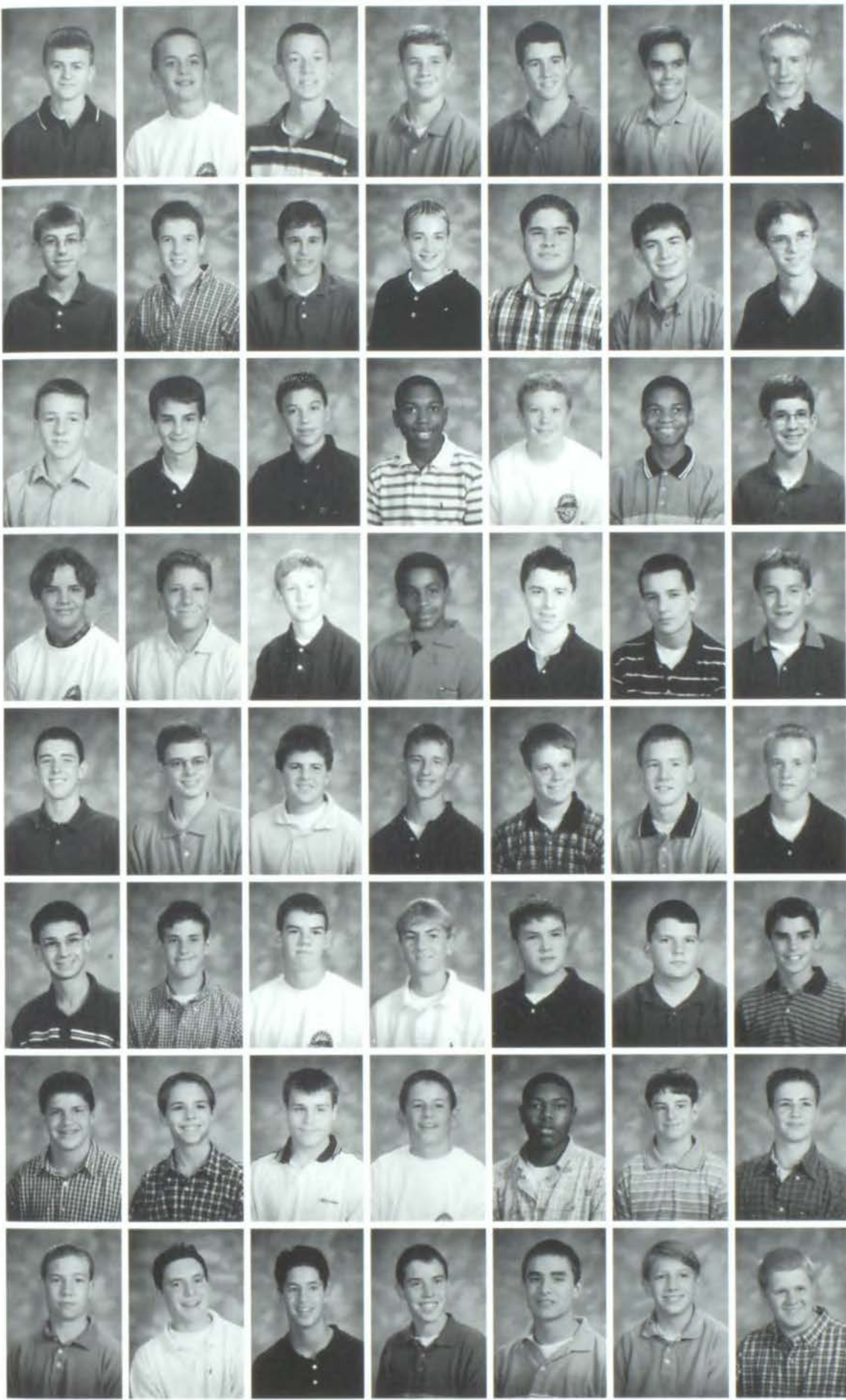


Mrs. Jean Barnhart speaks on the phone with vendors, one of her many duties as lunchroom manager. Mrs. Barnhart and mom volunteers prepare pizza for the students.

Photos by Josh Watmough

Mrs. Barnhart and on this particular day, Mrs. Pam Davidson, sell snacks to students throughout the lunch period.





Kevin Lenihan
 Kevin LeRoy
 Roy Lightner
 Karl Lind
 Samuel Lomasney
 Brad Long
 Terrence Lord
 Andrew Lyle
 Nicholas Mabry
 James Maliszewski
 Salvatore Marsalla
 Benjamin Martin
 Mark Mattione
 Paul Mauton
 Joseph McAdam
 Justin McAuley
 Scott McCaffrey
 Ryan McCallum
 Logan McCoy
 Colin McDaniel
 Robert McDill
 Justin McDonald
 Adam McGovern
 Justin McGrew
 Daniel McGuire
 Ryan McHugh
 Brice McKinley
 Matthew McMurray
 Mark McNeal
 Michael McShane
 Ryan Melgaard
 Brennan Metzler
 Roman Minturn
 James Mitchell
 Patrick Mohart
 William Monsees
 Jaron Moore
 Michael Moritz
 Andrew Morton
 Patrick Mullin
 Ryan Mulloy
 Curt Mundis
 Mark Munninghoff
 Matthew Nagle
 Jeffrey Nagy
 Rehan Neenan
 Daniel Neenan
 Richard Nelson
 Nathan Ney
 Noah Ney
 David Nguyen
 Truong Nguyen
 Tuyen Nguyen
 John-Paul Nigro
 Matthew Nocita
 Alex Nordholm
 Peter Novick
 Patrick O'Brien
 Thomas O'Connor
 Braden O'Halloran
 Patrick O'Leary
 John Olshefski
 Andrew Osredker
 Andrew Paterini
 Matthew Patterson
 Anthony Pereira
 Kyle Perez
 Tyrone Perkins
 Andrew Perry
 Marcus Perry
 Collin Pierson
 Nicolas Plott
 Bradford Poskin
 Michael Prinds
 William Putman
 Blake Quason
 John Quinn
 Anthony Quirarte
 Nicholas Rada
 Nicholas Rawlings

Freshmen Class of 2003

Kevin Reardon
 Michael Reardon
 Daniel Reichard
 Chris Reichmeier
 Ryan Reid
 Kevin Reidy
 Matthew Reinsel
 Ross Renne
 Andrew Robine



Stephane Roque
 Joel Rosas
 Zachary Royer
 Kevin Rudolph
 Thomas Ruzicka
 Trey Sabates
 Jason Sabaugh
 Andrew Salch
 Adam Sarvis



Matthew Schleicher
 Kevin Sears
 Robert Shin
 Travis Sifers
 Alexander Singleton
 Michael Slater
 Conner Smith
 Darren Smith
 Philip Smith



Daniel Smyrhe
 Michael Staab
 Michael Stacy
 Nicholas Starke
 Philip Steed
 Gregory Steffens
 Timothy Steitz
 Jonathan Stewart
 John Strobl



Benjamin Stueve
 Gregory Sullivan
 Timothy Sullivan
 Benjamin Summers
 Matthew Sweeney
 Adam Taylor
 Kyle Teahan
 Philip Thomson
 Joel Thorman



David Tichen
 Tyler True
 Matthew Turley
 Andrew Turner
 James Utley
 Cory VanDyke
 Ryan VanDyke
 Ryan Vickers
 Philipp Vitti



Dane Vrabac
 Jonathan Wachtel
 Matthew Walczuk
 William Wald
 Adam Webb
 Bradley Weishar
 Kevin Welsh
 Adam Wesley
 Collin White



Richard White
 Zachary White
 James Whiteaker
 Brendan Wilson
 James Wimssett
 Matthew Wingert
 Andrew Woods
 Duo Yang
 Christopher Zecy





Mr. Mike Kern

Bringing the gift of music to the Rock

Before Mr. Mike Kern, the Director of Instrumental Music, arrived at Rockhurst in 1990, there was not a music program. Today, students enjoy the instrumental and vocal classes that have been added to the curriculum. "There is nothing more satisfying in life than watching my students succeed," Mr. Kern said.

"RHS has always been recognized for its athletics, but now students have the opportunity to be involved in a great fine arts program," he added.

Mr. Kern is multi-talented. Besides playing the piano, he also plays the flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, guitar, and bass guitar. His studies at Southwest Missouri State University (Class of '76) helped him to become a competent musician. He performs professionally with a group called the "City Limits," is a musician for the diocese and plays at all diocesan liturgical functions.

"Mr. Kern is a great teacher because he is so knowledgeable in many instruments and he has great love for music," said junior Mitch Paone enthusiastically.

Besides music, Mr. Kern says that he loves to draw and to collect comics. (Legion of Super Heroes is his favorite series). He and his wife Phyllis, have a 15-year-old daughter, Rachel,

eight-and-four-year-old sons, Christopher and Kevin, and a stray cat named Lady.

"Mr. Kern is a great guy and he has done so much for the music program at Rockhurst, it is unbelievable," said senior Carlos Cabezas.

Mr. Kern was born on July 4, 1953 in Saint Louis and at-

tended Phillipine Duchesne High School where he was in the band but was disappointed by the "lousy music program." This sparked his interest in teaching music.

"I just knew that I could do a better job than the program at my high school," said Mr. Kern. Story By Dustin Charapata



Mr. Mike Kern conducts the orchestra at the Fall Music Concert, one of three such showcases.



Mr. Kern plays the guitar, one of the many instruments he has mastered, with Fr. Gary Menard. He is in charge of music for all school masses.

Photo by Will Ranning

Freshmen Class of 2003

Huge advancements made in technology and facilities

There have been many revisions made to the school in the past year including new facilities and more advanced computer technology. This new day and age has compelled Rockhurst High School to renovate facilities, establish networks, e-mail, and internet access to keep up with the ever-changing technology.

Recent additions to RHS technology include 35 new pentium II computers

running on Windows 98 in the computer lab, and six new Macintosh G3's in the journalism lab.

"We are capable of doing a lot more now that we have the newer, faster computers," said computer instructor Mr. John McEniry.

He hopes for new computer classes teaching different programs and possibly doing hands on work, such as building harddrives. Mr. McEniry forsees possible distance learning, similar to video-conferencing, of foreign languages where one could learn directly from a native speaker.

Internet access is available to both teachers and students alike. It may later become more accessible in school if it becomes completely secure. Computers contain valuable school information that could be tampered with if not kept safe.

"Security is always a big concern because you never know what could

happen and you can never be too safe," said Computer Technician Coordinator Mr. Kevin Campbell.

Mr. Campbell was hired to help run the networks at RHS and help with troubleshooting. He taught Group Wise, the e-mail network at



Mr. Kevin Campbell works hard running the computer network for the school.

RHS, to the administration and faculty. This network is also an organizational tool allowing teachers to keep track of tasks and appointments on the computer.

Tech-Net is the network of televisions and phones in the school, allowing teachers to take learning to a new level. Teachers are now able to view movies without having a VCR in their room. The VCR's are worked through the phone lines so that more than one classroom at a time can watch the same movie.

"Students in the distant future may carry around laptops like calculators. The next thing you know, you'll probably be able to buy them at the bookstore from Mr. Ptasnik," said Mr. McEniry.

Artistic creativity at Rockhurst has taken a leap forward with new addi-

tions to the landscape of the school. Significant changes to the Fine Arts Department, particularly the Drama Department, have given students facilities that rival the region's best programs.

According to Mr. Rodger Cilley, head of the Drama Department, many local theatrical groups would envy the additions made to Rockhurst.

Space for productions is no longer the problem it once was, with the transformation of the old art studio into an entire theater workshop. The room was stripped of its shelves and pottery wheels, and was replaced with a light and sound booth, a set construction area, and a room suitable for productions outside the Rose. It is the hope of the theater teachers that the increased space will encourage more student productions and a greater overall student participation in drama.

The added space has also made the design and planning of productions easier. Sets can be conveniently constructed next door to the drama classrooms and the Rose Theater, allowing for easy transportation of flats and other scenery.

Classes have also benefitted from the changes. Mr. Bill Murphy, Tech Theater and Stage Design teacher, is pleased with the larger space and

improvement in lecturing and demonstration ability. "The more you get, the more you're able to do," he said.

The displaced pottery and drawing classrooms have become a bit more



Mr. Rodger Cilley, Arts Department Chairman, teaches in his brand new drama classroom/ black box theater.

cramped this year. Moved to the far south side of the school, the new art rooms are a little more cramped than the large studio that was previously used. However, plans to move the kiln closer to the classrooms have been made and larger drafting tables have been added.

Most seem very happy with the new facilities. "The new technology is great. It's what we needed," Mr. Lon West, RHS drawing teacher, stated enthusiastically. When describing the improvements, Mr. Cilley said that they were, "Truly, a dream come true, for any teacher."

"There are no bounds as to what we are capable of, and I hope to see Rockhurst current with new technology," said Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J. RHS President. Story by Patrick Jakopchek and Pat O'Brien



Students enjoy using the new Pentium IIs in the computer lab.



Junior Elliott Nickell kneads clay for his next project in the new art room.





Durant Abernethy
 Erik Acinger
 Michael Adler
 Clayton Aggeler
 Nicholas Ah-Loe
 Jeremy Allen
 Brett Allred
 Kevin Amey



Terrence Anderson
 Jeffrey Angold
 Joseph Armanes
 Alejandro Artigas
 Christopher Bachkora
 Kevin Barth
 Thomas Basore
 Andrew Bazdarich



David Becker
 James Becker
 Christopher Befort
 Benedict Biersmith
 Charles Blackmar
 Adam Blinzler
 Ryan Bly
 James-Riley Bond



Andy Borst
 Andrew Brancato
 Charles Bruscato
 James Burkart
 Timothy Burke
 Mike Burke
 John Burnett
 Patrick Burns



Diego Bustamante
 Marlon Butler
 Jason Caldwell
 Paul Camacho
 Devin Carr
 Jonathan Carr
 Michael Carter
 Colin Charbonneau



Steven Clark
 Michael Cleary
 Andrew Clemons
 Quinn Colling
 Christopher Constant
 James Conwell
 Daniel Coonfield
 Jesse Coonrod



Christopher Cooper
 Ian Correa
 Jack Cotter
 Wesley Cotter
 David Coughlin
 Patrick Coughlin
 Chad Cowan
 Nathan Crowe



Stephen Croy
 Christopher Cummings
 Matthew Cummings
 Robert Curiel
 Jack Curran
 John D'Agostino
 Paul Damon
 Benjamin Davis

Sophomore Class of 2002

Ryan Davis
Elliott Disney
John Dollerschell
Cary Duckworth
Travis Dye
Peter Edsall
Stephen Eikerman
Derek Eltiste



Mark Euston
Brian Fallon
Matthew Fencil
Matthew Ferguson
Christopher Fiedler
Andrew Firtich
Kyle Fitzgerald
Timothy Fitzpatrick



Bryan Flanagan
Matthew Florance
Scott Foster
Brett Fowler
Alexander Gamble
Charles Gant
Nicholas Goellner
James Goetz



Edgardo Goldaracena
Scott Gosoroski
Rama Gottumukkala
Morgan Gray
Anthony Griddine
Cornelius Griggs
Joseph Grimaldi
Stephen Harman



Matthew Harris
Ethan Haynes
Timothy Hazlett
Nicholas Herold
Albert Herrera
Brandon Hill
Patrick Hill
Scott Hogsett



Michael Huber
Andrew Huerter
Joseph Huffman
Justin Huggins
James Hutchinson
Michael Illig
Patrick Ishmael
Haywood Jackson



Andrew Janish
Alexander Johnson
James Johnson
Joseph Johnson
Peter Jokisch
Patrick Joyce
Christopher Jungk
Kevin Kane



Kevin Kellerman
Patrick Kies
David Kinerk
Peter King
Ryan King
David Kissick
Conor Klamann
Edwin Korpi



New faces seen at the Rock

14 faculty members added to complement largest staff in Rockhurst history



New faculty members are: Mr. Matt Nolen, Mrs. KC Blair, Mrs. Laurie Jackson-Prater, Mr. Mark Nusbaum, Mrs. Sabina Mills, Mr. Richard Sullivan, Mr. Paul Winkeler, Mr. Kevin Charcut, Mr. Ryan Bailey, Mr. Kevin McArdle, Mrs. Catherine Geisel, Mr. Chris Jensen, Fr. Gary Menard, S.J., Mr. Jeff Crowe.

Twelve new teachers joined Rockhurst faculty this year to continue the Jesuit tradition of excellence in academics and extra-curriculars. **Mr. Chris Jensen** is a veteran teacher and an alum of Jesuit High School in El Paso, TX. He is retired from 20 years in the U.S. Army and has taught at St. Mary College, Johnson County Community College, Kansas City Kansas Community College, West Point (USMA), and Command & General Staff College (Leavenworth). Mr. Jensen, who teaches five English III classes, is assistant faculty advisor to the *Prep News*. He enjoys music, and home and automotive repair.

Mr. Richard Sullivan has three years of teaching under his belt following his graduation from the University of Maryland. He teaches World History and Geography and is the assistant cross country coach. "I went to a high school and college that did not have a football team so Rockhurst has been different for me," he said.

Mr. Paul Winkeler is not new to the Jesuit tradition. He attended Desmet High School in St. Louis and Rockhurst University. "I was deeply influenced by the Jesuits," he said. Following two years of teaching chemistry at St. Teresa's Academy, he now teaches physical science and chemistry, coaches swimming, and is the Varsity Softball coach at STA.

Mr. Kevin McArdle, a Kansas City native and Rockhurst alum, (Class of '95), teaches Algebra I, Honors Algebra I, and Algebra II/Trigonometry. After graduating from RHS, he earned a B.S. in Mathematics and Secondary Education from Marquette University. He enjoys playing Rugby and is the Junior Varsity Soccer Coach.

Mrs. Cathy Geisel has been teaching for 10 years, including five at Bishop Miege, three at Blue Valley, and two at Kapaun Mt. Carmel in Wichita. Mrs. Geisel, who teaches five hours of Biology, is also a counselor and moderates the Student Success Center. She says she chose Rockhurst because of its reputation. Her teaching schedule has allowed her to finish her counseling degree.

Fr. Gary Menard, S.J. has been teaching for five and a half years, three years at Regis Jesuit High School in Denver, two at the University of

Wisconsin, and one semester at St. John's College in Belize, Central America. He attended St. Louis University, the University of Wisconsin, and the Jesuit School of Theology at Berkeley. He has a B.A. in Mathematical Computer Science and Psychology, M.S. in Computer Science, and M. Divinity in Theology. Ordained in the summer of 1999, he is working on his Masters in Education and teaches one hour of Algebra I.

Mr. Mark Nusbaum has been named the Head Basketball Coach and teaches Algebra I and Algebra II/ Geometry. "I believe Rockhurst is the best place in the metro area to teach and coach," he commented. "What a rich tradition in both academics and athletics!" His hobbies include collecting sports cards, playing golf, listening to music, watching movies, and reading books.

Mrs. Laurie Prater was the Dean of Students at Notre Dam de Sion for five years. With 13 years experience, she chose Rockhurst because she says it came highly recommended by professionals and parents. She moderates the Student Success Center and teaches Sophomore and Junior English.

Mr. Kevin Charcut is a Rockhurst alum, (Class of '95), and attended Loyola University in Chicago. He is a member of the Alumni Service Corps. "I am here to provide a year of service to a school and community that gave me a great deal when I attended." His hobbies are soccer, bicycling, and reading. He is also an assistant Varsity Soccer coach.

Mr. Jeffrey Crowe, a third generation Rockhurst graduate, (Class of '85), says he enjoys the sense of community that RHS offers. In his first year teaching, he has his B.S.B.A. in Finance and Economics and is currently working on his education degree from UMKC, he teaches freshman geography and hopes to start a bridge club.

Mr. Ryan Bailey graduated from RHS in 1995 and serves in the Alumni Service Corps. In his first year teaching, he says he chose Rockhurst because his years here as a student were "incredible." He now teaches Algebra I and Algebra II/ Geometry. "I learned alot in the classroom, but more importantly, what I learned from the people here at RHS outside the classroom has been the greatest contributor to my development as a person."

Story by Jeremy Garton

School Bands

Cover wide musical spectrum

The music program at RHS has sprouted out into the greater KC area with several bands formed by RHS students. The talents of the students cover several styles of music, ranging from the blues (*Johnny Royale*) to funk (*Slanted Plant*) to rock (*Disco Stu*).

RHS senior John Shannon fronts his band, *Johnny Royale and the Blues Mafia*, on vocals and harmonica. The Blues Mafia, which fuses Stevie Ray Vaughan, Buddy Guy, and Jimi Hendrix into their music, consists of RHS senior David Hayob on bass, senior Chris Brown on drums, and freshman Kevin Brown on lead guitar.

The group, which has been together for two years, has performed at B.B.'s Lawnside Bar-B-Q, the Rockhurst Battle of the Bands and the Doubletree Hotel, and plans to release a CD.

"Our entire message is to bring the blues to the



The members of Johnny Royale and the Blues Mafia are: David Hayob, John Shannon, Richard Hwang, Chris Brown, and Kevin Brown.



The members of Slanted Plant are: Giuliano Mingucci, Brian Isbell, Rick Willoughby, and Jeff Vietz.

RHS senior and lead vocalist Tony Vontz.

"Our purpose is to give the people what they want, promote America, and make lots of money," he said.

The group, which is influenced by Michael Bolton and Weezer, took their name from a character on the Simpsons TV show during lead guitarist Konnor Ervin's 8th grade year. The other members started talking about a band in freshman computer class and the rest is history.

Vontz and Ervin are joined by RHS senior Bryan McGuire on bass, senior Ryan Linneman on keyboards and guitar, senior Jose Good on drums, and senior Tom Porto on guitar. Disco Stu has performed at the RHS Battle of the Bands, Sue's Cantina, and at B.B.'s Lawnside Bar-B-Q.

"In Disco Stu, we have two main goals: to be on VH1's Behind the Music, telling the story of our trials and tribulations, and to just have a good time," Vontz said. Story by Andrew Zender



The members of Disco Stu are: Konnor Ervin, Bryan McGuire, Ryan Osgood, Tony Vontz, and Tom Porto.

young people of America," Shannon said.

RHS senior Giuliano Mingucci is the timekeeper on the drums for his funk/rock band, *Slanted Plant*.

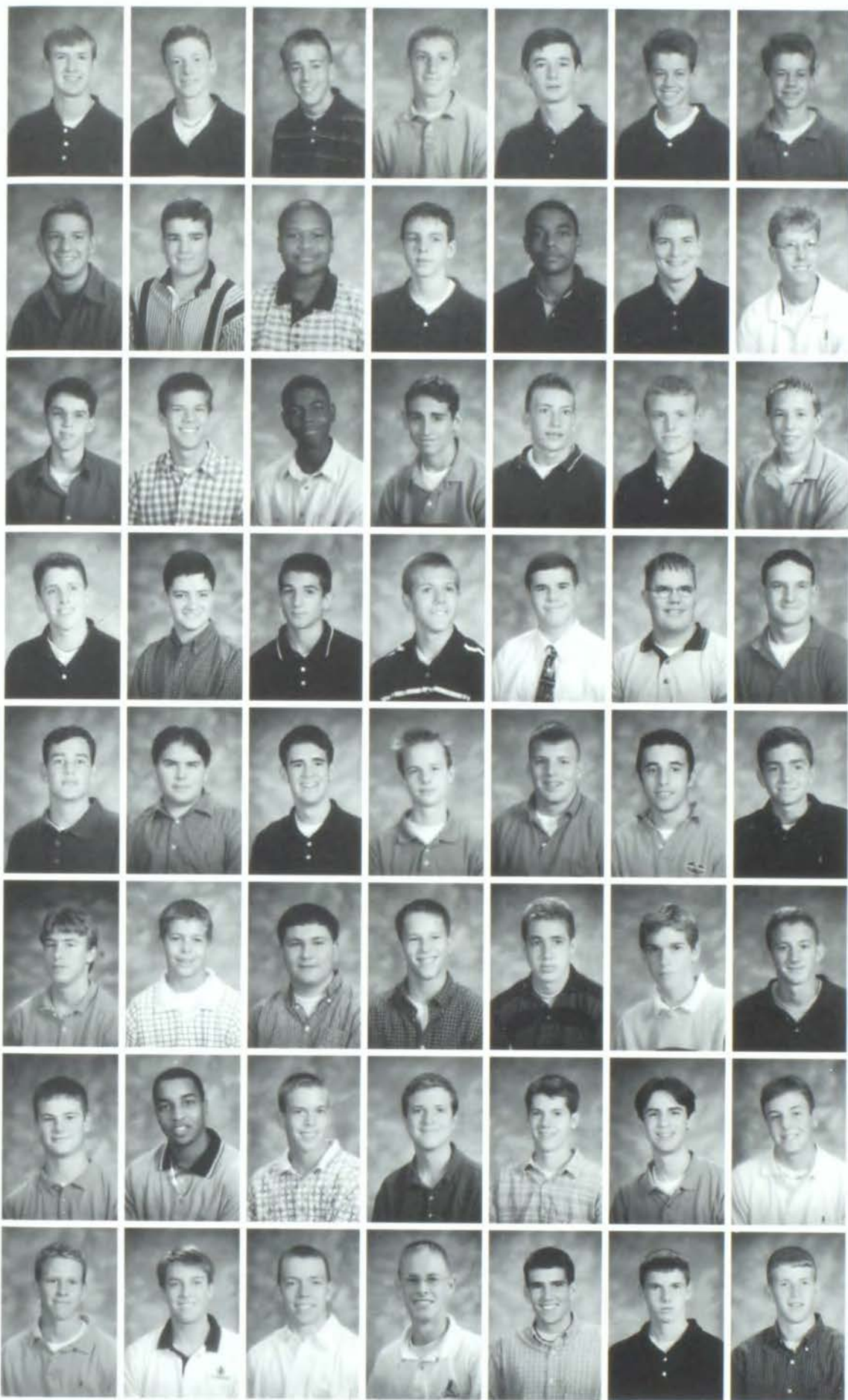
"Our guitar player came up with the name," Mingucci explains. "There was a big Yucca plant in the lead singer's yard and it was slanted, so he said 'Slanted Plant, cool band name!'"

Additional members include Rick Willoughby from UMKC on bass, and Lee's Summit High graduates Brian Isbell and Jeff Vietz, on vocals and guitar. Slanted Plant has been together for a year, and is in the process of recording its first full-length album. The group, which cites Rush, Phish, Led Zeppelin, and Pink Floyd as influences, has performed at the Bottleneck, Northwest Missouri State and Truman State Universities, and Yahweh's and Westport Coffee Houses.

"Slanted Plant wants to rock, to have fun, and to be on VH1," Mingucci said.

Four-time RHS leader of the Bands hard-rock veterans *Disco Stu* is the "people's band," according to





Kevan Lair
 Matthew Laird
 Michael Lancey
 Alonzo Lane
 Jack Lapping
 Daniel Laughlin
 Gregory Laughlin
 Christopher Lee
 Jamie Lee

Paul Link
 Kevin Lister
 Graham Long
 Charles Lowe
 Eric Lowe
 Nathan Lynn
 Khule Mabery
 Lucas Manning
 Bradley Martin

Daniel Martin
 Geoffrey Martin
 Kevin Marts
 Daniel Martucci
 John Mayberry
 Ryan McAuley
 Jeffrey McCaffrey
 Sean McClusky
 Daniel McDonough

Patrick McGah
 Matthew Meiners
 Ryan Metzler
 Curtis Mitchell
 John Molle
 Jess Mooney
 James Moynihan
 Dennis Murphy
 Steven Murphy

Benjamin Nachbar
 John Navarre
 Matthew Neenan
 Erik Netterfield
 Cameron Nordholm
 Thaddeus O'Brien
 John O'Connor
 Lucas O'Neill
 Patrick O'Neill

James O'Sullivan
 David Ono
 Dustin Orscheln
 Matthew Ovel
 Steven Owen
 Nicholas Paradise
 Daniel Pasternack
 David Paul
 Nicholas Peeples

Frank Pendleton
 Charles Peters
 Andrew Pickert
 Ray Pierce Jr.
 Jared Pils
 Kyle Pittman
 Charles Polsinelli
 Geoffrey Ponnath
 Kevin Poppe

James Poskin
 Richard Prendergast
 Adam Pummill
 Matthew Rada
 Patrick Reed
 Ridge Rees
 Timothy Reidy
 Robert Reintjes
 Stephen Reintjes

Sophomore Class of 2002

Richard Restivo
George Robinson
Robert Rodriguez
Patrick Rogers
Robert Rosenthal
Christopher Ruprecht
Dominic Russo
James Ryan



John Sabates
Joseph Sanders
Michael Sanem
Brent Scarborough
Christopher Schaefer
Charles Schloegel
Nicholas Schmeltz
Paul Serrone



Stephen Sharkey
Garrett Sheedy
Adam Sheridan
Ronald Shields
Kelly Short
Daniel Shouse
Steven Sichko
Daniel Simon



Adam Sinovic
John Skevington
Boon Smith
Jeffrey Snodgrass
Nicholas Solsburg
Brian Spicher
Michael Stasi
Jeffrey Sterner



Charles Stinger
Patrick Stone
Matthew Strain
Noah Strozier
Johnny Sweeney
Andrew Switzer
Nicholas Sylvan
Timothy Thedinger



Joseph Tomlinson
Kiel Tompkins
Brendon Toohey
Tony Tran
Adam Troncoso
John Trotter
Miles Turney
Scott Unger



Jared Vandergriff
Nicholas VanSant
Eric Vossman
Milan Vrabac
Andrew Ward
Nicholas Weaver
Matthew Weglarz
Christopher Wesley
Daniel White



Richard Whitney
Michael Wiber
Andrew Wikiera
Nicholas Winchester
Adam Witt
Matthew Wormington
Abdulrasak Yahaya
Christopher Zaylor
Matthew Ziegenhorn



MR. MIKE HERINGER

A MAN OF MANY INTERESTS

Whether he is counseling a student or reenacting the Battle of Gettysburg, Mr. Mike Heringer knows how to keep active and after being named Assistant Principal for Student Affairs, he is even busier than ever. Following a background of Catholic primary and secondary education, he graduated from Christian Brothers University, in Memphis, TN, with a Bachelors degree in Theology. Later, he received a Masters degree in counseling from the University of Memphis.

He has taught for 29 years in only Catholic institutions, including 16 at Rockhurst. He started at Archbishop O'Hara High School, then he taught at Bishop Carroll High School in Wichita before moving back to Kansas City's Bishop Miege High School. He taught Theology and was head of the Theology Department for eight years there. When there was an opening in RHS' Counseling department, he jumped at the opportunity.

"The main reason I came to Rockhurst was for the opportunity to get back into counseling," said Mr. Heringer.

Besides his affinity for counseling, he also has an immense interest in Student Government.

"Of the 29 years I have

been teaching, there were only four in which I was not involved in Student Government," he remarked.

Last year was his first year in the last 10 years not involved with the Rockhurst Government, but now he is

being with the Student

the SGA moderator.

He says, "The officers do most of the work. My main function is to encourage leadership, organization, and planning."

Although much of Mr. Heringer's time is spent at school, he has been able to keep a life of his own. Clues to his interests are found on his desktop which is filled with pictures of boats.

"Kayaking, sailboating, and sailboarding, I try to do all of these as much as possible," he said.

He also has a passion for the Civil War and he is a member of two groups that reenact the war on weekends. He is even able to use his counseling talents outside school, where he helps young men and women in his church prepare for marriage. Through his time at Rockhurst he has come to find that it is more than a school, and that is what he loves about it.

"Rockhurst is a powerful influence on people's lives, not only the student but on their parents and teachers as well," he said. "Rockhurst is able to establish a firm value of education while maintaining a strong spiritual side."

"Mr. Heringer has shown me leadership and dedication, not only in the SGA but in life," commented Matt Kopp, Junior Class Representative. Story by Sean McLaughlin



Mr. Mike Heringer, Assistant Principal for Student Affairs, has many interesting hobbies when away from Rockhurst, including kayaking and reenacting the Civil War on the weekends.

Father Mark Daues S.J.

Completes his Tertianship in India

You may remember Father Mark Daues, S.J. from his famous headlocks, his jolly demeanor or for the homilies he gave. Fr. Daues left Rockhurst last year to continue in his education as a Jesuit, and through correspondence, has kept ties to Rockhurst. He has lived in Calcutta, India, for most of this year while working on his Tertianship.

"Tertianship is the final stage of Jesuit formation when a priest takes time off from his work to spend time in prayer and reflection, deepening his commitment to religious life," explained Fr. Daues.

In India, Fr. Daues worked at Mother Theresa's Home for the Dying and taught at Shembaganur School. He described his time as enriching yet difficult at times.



Father Mark Daues S.J. continues his Jesuit education while in India. He taught this group of students while in Calcutta, India at Shembaganur School.



"The children spoke Tamil and very little English and I spoke English and very little Tamil," he remarked.

While in India, Fr. Daues experienced Indian culture, which he described as very unique and diverse.

"The cultures of India are incredibly rich and diverse, over 2000 different languages are spoken. The culture from state to state is very different," he said. Fr. Daues also experienced the Indian caste system, which discriminates along social and economic lines.

"Dalits, what we would know as the untouchables, cannot pray in the same temples as higher castes Indians nor can they eat at the same restaurants or draw water from the same wells," explained Fr. Daues. "The Jesuits are doing a lot of work with the Dalits, a very oppressed group. In fact, the word Dalits means 'oppressed one'."

He also experienced some of the sparsest of conditions when he was in India.

"I spent most of my time in a very small town in the mountains. We did not have any 'modern conveniences'. I bathed with a bucket of water, washed my clothes by hand, and I ate rice three meals a day. Besides rice, I ate vegetables and fruit," said Fr. Daues.

Despite the conditions and some of the aspects of the culture, Fr. Daues describes the experience as a good one.

"It was a comfortable existence. I had everything that I needed but not all the luxuries of the U.S.," remarked Fr. Daues. He described the Indian people as friendly and very kind. They were always willing to help me and invite me into their home.

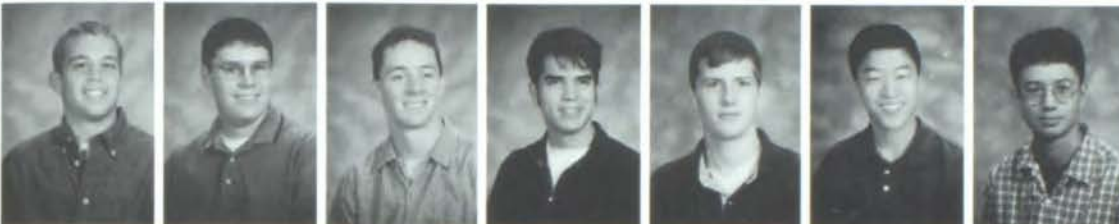
In January, Fr. Daues moved to Glasgow, Scotland and began teaching at St. Aloysius' College. He plans to return to Rockhurst for the 2000-2001 school year. Story by Kyle Martin



Juniors Class of 2001



Jonathan Adriano
Justin Amberson
Ryan Anderson
Christopher Anton
Robert Arthur
Daniel Asikainen
Kevin Aylward
Adam Balentine
Noah Ballard



Blaine Barnard
Gregory Bass
Matthew Beck
Brian Bennett
Edward Bessenbacher
Joel Blevins
Andrew Bock
Jacob Boesen
Casey Booth



Nicholas Boyd
Robert Bridges
Timothy Bridgham
Geoffrey Brown
Justin Brown
Charles Bush
Nicholas Capoccia
Brian Carson
Matthew Cavlovich



John Chagoyan
Raymond Chang
Dustin Charapata
Salvatore Cicero
Patrick Clark
Christopher Clarkson
David Clisbee
Daniel Connell
Philip Conway



Kevin Cotter
Andrew Cousino
Doug Croy
Christopher Cucar
Michael Daly
Samuel Davidson
Michael Day
Jarrett Devereaux
John DiSalvo



Luke Dlabal
Brian Druis
Scott Drummond
Matthew Dunham
Jason Dunsworth
Scott Edmonds
Michael Euston
Timothy Euston
Ryan Fagan



Joseph Feierabend
John Finley
Kyle Francis
Kevin Frantze
Zacc Gansert
Jeremy Garton
Peter Giangreco
Michael Gonzales
Justin Goode



Sean Gratton
James Greffet
Joel Gustafson
John Haake
Matthew Haake
Sean Hackett
Jason Haile
Andrew Hansbrough
Chris Hapka

John Harbison
 Adam Henggeler
 Thomas Henggeler
 Daniel Heryer
 Stephen Hiatt
 Michael Hicks
 Chad Hiesberger
 Matthew Hofer
 Sean Hughes
 Patrick Jakopchek

Stephan Jean-Francois

David Johnson
 Matthew Judy
 Jeremy Julian
 Jordan Jump
 Benton Keatley
 Corbin Keech
 Mitchell Kelly
 Alfonse Kinsella
 Patrick Klug

Michael Knopke
 Thomas Komoroski
 Matthew Kopp
 Thomas Koppe
 Adam Korth
 Francis Kor
 Patrick Kowalski
 Jeffrey Kratofil
 Ian Kuklenski
 Jonathan Lecuyer

John Leese
 Travis Levitt
 John Linhoff
 Patrick Lobb
 Jeremy Long
 Andrew Mallow
 David Manning
 Philip Marsalla
 Kyle Martin
 Robert Mashburn

Evan Mason
 Brendan Matthews
 Michael Matthews
 Justin McFarland
 Paul McGannon
 Ryan McIntosh
 Micheal McIntyre
 Sean McLaughlin
 Patrick McMurtry
 Brian Meagher

Michael Mereghetti
 Ian Merrigan
 Nicholas Migliazzo
 Gerald Miller
 Zachary Miller
 Jeffrey Mincher
 Andrew Mitchell
 John Mitchell
 Richard Moritz
 Jonathan Mossie

Sean Mueller
 Daniel Mulhern
 Wade Muller
 Brendan Murphy
 Phillip Murphy
 Sean Murphy
 Troy Murray
 Matt Myers
 Jeff Newby
 Matthew Newell

Andre Newsom
 Elliott Nickell
 Michael Nigro
 Eric Noblet
 John Nugent
 James O'Brien
 Kevin O'Brien
 Kyle O'Brien
 John O'Connor
 Steven O'Connor



Mrs. Cheryl Cavlovich

The Rockhurst family's mother

When you have a tummy ache and don't know what to do, where do you go? You forget your lunch and have borrowed money too many times from other people, who do you go to for help? The answer is easy, you go see your mother, your Rockhurst mother, Mrs. Cheryl Cavlovich (pronounced "Calovich").

Mrs. Cavlovich, a 10 year RHS veteran, has worked as the Assistant to the Dean of Students for all those years.

"I worked in a law office for several years before I stumbled onto a help wanted ad for a place called Rockhurst. It just kind of appeared at the right time. I was tired of working in my current job and wanted a people change. Rockhurst was a godsend. I could not imagine working anywhere else," she said.

When she is not keeping RHS in order, Mrs. Cavlovich is quite a gardener at her home in Prairie Village where she diligently works on her flower and vegetable gardens.

"I would not consider myself a real green thumb, but I love working outside. It's such a great release," she explains.

Mrs. Cavlovich also trains hard for her time at RHS.

At home she is the full time mother of two boys, a dog, cat, hamster, snake, five frogs, four lizards and numerous fish that have yet to be counted.

When she is not working hard for Mr. David Alvey, Mrs. Cavlovich organizes the annual Faculty Children's Christmas party.

"I absolutely love doing it," said Mrs. Cavlovich.

When asked who has been the best Santa Clause she is quick to tell you. "Mike Lillis was the best Santa ever. He was always in a jovial mood and his demeanor just reminded you of Santa."

Mrs. Cavlovich is very complimentary of Fr. Thomas Pesci, S.J., and the board of trustees for the beautiful new building. She also reminisces about the old days of RHS that included the door decorating contests among the homerooms, and the sounds of the RHS radio station filling the school during free times.

"I don't think the new building has changed the overall spirit of the Rock. If anything it is nice to have a building that meets the same expectations that we have for our students."

When asked if there is anything she would change about it, she paused for a second and replied, "I would like a window. Not a very big one. Just one that would let me see outside. That's all." Like any good mother she never complains. Story by Aaron Clevinger



Photo by Jake Hildebrand



Photo by Danny Chao

Mrs. Cheryl Cavlovich gives one of her many admit slips to junior Jason Dunsworth. As part of her numerous duties, Mrs. Cavlovich is responsible, along with Mr. David Alvey, for the records of student attendance.

Junior Class of 2001

JUNIOR IRON MAN

EVERY 1ST HOUR CLASS FOR THEMSELVES

The Junior Iron Man Competition held in late January pits each junior homeroom in a series of events with the prize of a Gates Barbeque lunch at stake. The Iron Man consisted of four events: darts, volleyball, basketball, and trivial pursuit, all intended to see which class was the brightest, the most athletic, and the most talented. Mr. Larry Ruby's US History class going by the name "Darth Ruby" took first place, with Mr. Chris Jensen's English class coming in second.

"We simply dominated every event, and the entire competition," junior Brian Meagher, a member of Darth Ruby, stated. The events of the competition, in its 10th year of existence,

have changed over the years, but the spirit has stayed the same.

"The competition provides a chance for the juniors to grow together and enjoy themselves before they move on to their senior year." Junior Class Moderator and sponsor of the competition Mr. Chris Elmore said.

There was a \$4.00 entry fee that went to pay for the Gates lunch. The tug of war tiebreaker between Mr. Jensen's "CJ's Cabaret" and Darth Ruby was definitely the highlight of the event according to Mr. Elmore.

"The tug of war was great," said Matt Judy, a member of Darth Ruby.

"I really had fun competing at the Junior Iron Man, and I feel it brought my homeroom class a lot closer together as we pulled together into one team even though we did not win," said junior Pat Jakopcsek.

Story by Jerry Miller

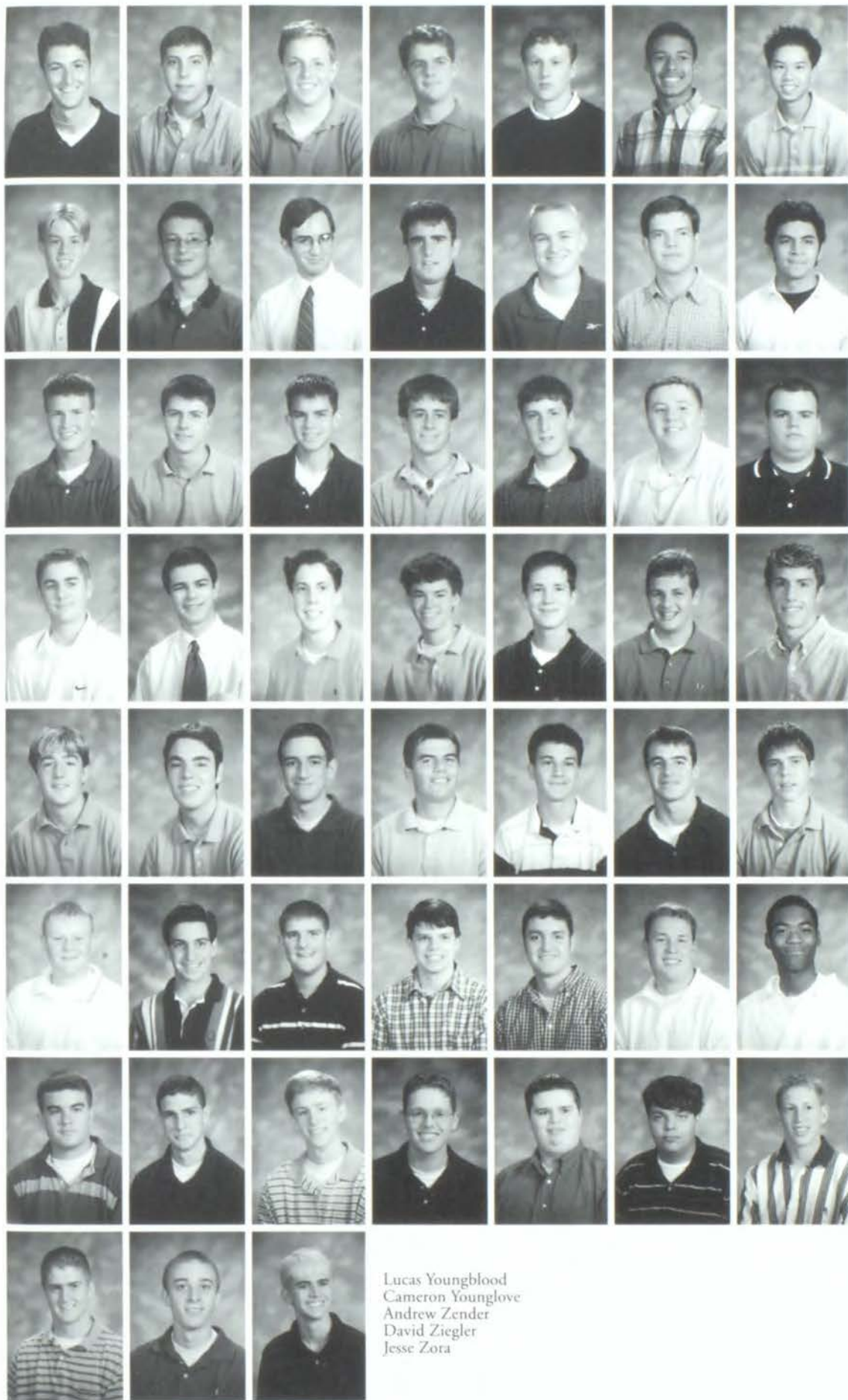


Peter Giangreco participates in the dart shooting competition. Mrs. Jerry Featherston directs a question towards Mike Daly and Matt Kopp's Trivial Pursuit team.



Tom Komoroski soars above everyone and scores for his team during the basketball portion of the competition. Kevin Aylward spikes the ball over the net during one of the volleyball games.





Sean O'Donnell
 Matthew O'Laughlin
 Thomas O'Neill
 Christopher Oades
 Daniel Olson
 Mitchell Paone
 Eric Pashman
 Thomas Persley
 Hieu Pham

John Phelps
 Kesler Pollard
 Christopher Poskin
 Joseph Price
 Andrew Proulx
 Brian Quarnstrom
 Justin Quick
 Zachary Ramirez
 Francisco Rascon

Ryan Raybould
 Timothy Reardon
 Trevin Reed
 Ryan Renne
 Jonathan Rhodes
 John Rogler
 Christopher Ryan
 James Saunders
 Eric Scanlan

Thomas Schario
 Peter Schloegel
 Zachary Schopper
 Brian Schroeder
 Matthew Schwenke
 Brandon Shelby
 Nick Shuler
 Jack Smedile
 Seth Smith

Frank Spallitta
 Alexander Staab
 William Stack
 Drew Steadman
 Ryan Swarts
 Nicholas Taylor
 Chris Thorman
 Andrew Tiehen
 Austin Trombley

Jonathan Twibell
 Brian Tyler
 Joseph Van Oeveren
 Daniel Vianello
 Kyle Vrabac
 Chris Walkenhorst
 John Walz
 Patrick Wank
 Ryan Watson

Kevin Weiss
 Daniel Welsh
 Brian Wilson
 Christopher Winger
 David Winger
 R.E. Wolfe
 Andrew Womack
 Edward Worth
 Ryan Worth

Lucas Youngblood
 Cameron Younglove
 Andrew Zender
 David Ziegler
 Jesse Zora

Juniors Class of 2001

Patrick Adie
Tim Alexander
Stephen Allison
Matt Baker
Will Banning



Gordon Barnhart
Jack Barry
Lucas Bauers
Benjamin Bawden
Jack Bondon



The Rockhurst Class of 2000 no doubt feels

Patrick Adie "Pat" "Mario"

Music: Punk
Achievement: Riding down a hill in a box being pulled by an electric spool during Junior Retreat.
Why girls dig me: I couldn't care less why a girl would "dig" me. I am not that vain.
Memorable experience: Kairos.
Hangout: The post office.
Where would I be in 10 years? Not here.
Quote: "If you wait until the last minute, it only takes a minute."
Activities: Spanish Club 1; Amnesty International 2,3,4
Awards: Dartmouth Book Award 3

Tim Alexander

Music: Alternative, but I will listen to anything.
Achievement: Becoming an NHS member.
Why girls dig me: Because I am fun, easy to talk to, and sensitive—all at the same time.
Memorable experience: There are so many that I would not want to exclude one of them. Probably being accepted to Rockhurst and getting through all four years.
Hangout: At work in Best Buy. Where I seem to be most of the time.
Where would I be in 10 years? I would like to be a judge or maybe even a sports agent.
Quote: "Sometimes I make a mistake, but my hard work and dedication will make up for that in the end."

Stephen Allison "Big Steve"

Achievement: Doing all that I do to the best of my ability.
Why girls dig me: I play cool instruments.
Memorable experience: Senior Service Project, 2; 1998 Varsity Soccer State Championship, 3; Mornings work grant with Mr. Alvey.
Hangout: Whatever seems to be a good place at the time.
Where would I be in 10 years? Probably an officer in the navy.
Quote: "Go and set the world on fire." -St. Ignatius of Loyola.
Activities: Soccer (manager) 1,2,3; Lacrosse 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Debate 1,2,3; Pit Orchestra 3; Science Olympiad & Science Knowledge Bowl 3,4; Jazz Band 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4;
Awards: R-Award:3; National Orchestra Award:3; All-State Band member:3,4;

Matt Baker

Music: Rock
Achievement: Passing Lifetime Sports.
Why girls dig me: Why not?
Memorable experience: That one day.....
Hangout: The White House
Where would I be in 10 years? Making a million.
Quote: "Holy \$#!"
Activities: Football 3; Lacrosse 2; JR. Blues Rugby 2; Regis 2;
Awards: Second honors 1,2

Will Banning "Willy"

Music: Good music.
Achievement: Graduating as a part of Rockhurst High School's Class of 2000.
Why girls dig me: They know what's good for them.
Memorable experience: Winning state and celebrating.
Hangout: Friends' houses
Where would I be in 10 years? Who knows; we'll find out.
Quote: "May you live how you want to, and want to as long as you live."
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Spirit Club 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Student Ambassador 2,3,4; Rockfest 4; Student Government 4; Kairos 4; Senior Brother 4
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4; Theology Award 3

Gordon Barnhart "Blue"

Music: The stuff they play at the "K."
Achievement: The day I got my brown belt (and then quit shortly thereafter).
Why girls dig me: All that Barnhart charm.
Memorable experience: The day Elliot Mura dropped his backpack, ha, ha, ha!
Hangout: The "K."

Where would I be in 10 years? Flippin' burgers at the "K."

Quote: "Still got it"

Lucas Bauers

Music: Hip-hop
Achievement: Graduating from Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: I got the doo-doo style.
Memorable experience: Living in St. Louis parish for one week of my summer for the TLE program.
Hangout: Friends' houses
Where would I be in 10 years? Working as a mechanical engineer and break-dancing for money on the weekends.
Quote: "Until the next millennium I'll still be old school" - Adrock
Activities: Lacrosse 1,2; Engineering Club 1,2,3,4; French Club 1,2,3,4 (VP); French Club 4; Regis Club 1,2,3; Kairos 4; National Honor Society 3,4; TLE Program 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4

Ben Bawden "Bawdenator"

Music: The hardest of hard core metal.
Achievement: Getting all of my college applications completed, and chemistry.
Why girls dig me: Because I am an unexplained phenomenon.
Memorable experience: Junior Kairos & the success of our tennis team.
Hangout: Joe's House and Haywood's House
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully out of college and doing something I love, living somewhere flowe.
Quote: "Never put off until tomorrow what you can do the day after tomorrow." - Mark Twain.
Activities: Tennis 2,3,4; French Club 2,3,4; Regis Club 2,3,4 (Pres); Kairos 3,4 (Leader);
Awards: Who's Who Among American High School Students 2,3,4; Second Honors 2,3; First Honors 3

Jack Bondon

Music: Classic Rock
Achievement: National Qualification in Debate and Forensics.
Why girls dig me: I've got class.
Memorable experience: Debate Nationals in Phoenix, AZ courtesy of Rockhurst High School.
Hangout: Plaza
Where would I be in 10 years? In an office.
Quote: "Such a long long time to be gone, such a short time to be there."
Activities: Hockey 2,3,4; Intramural 1; Student Government 1,2,3,4; Debate Forensics 1,2,3,4; Regis Club 2,3,4; Chapel Choir 1,2; Pro-Life Club 3,4; Latin Club 1,2
Awards: R Award 1,2,3; National Merit Finalist 4; Class Honors 3; First Honors 1,4; Second Honors 2

Matt Bowen "Rowdog"

Music: Country
Achievement: B in Hagedorn's class.
Why girls dig me: I'm friends with Welsh.
Memorable experience: '99 State Championship night.
Where would I be in 10 years? Behind a paver with a shovel full of asphalt in hand.
Quote: "I'd rather laugh with the sinners than cry with the saints; the sinners are much more fun." - Billy Joel.
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Intramural Basketball 1,2,3,4; Intramural Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Yearbook 3 (Editor-in-Chief); Newspaper 4; Spirit Club 1,2,3,4; Rockfest 1,2,3,4; Student Council 2,3; Pastoral Council 2,3
Awards: Soccer State Championship 3,4; R-Awards 2,3; First Honors 1,2,3,4

Chris Brown "CB" "Cookie"

Music: All types except country and gangsta rap.
Achievement: Realizing what being a "man for others" means through involvement in community service and a senior year mission trip to Honduras.
Why girls dig me: Because I live la vida local!
Memorable experience: Although there are several, if I had to pick just one, it would probably be K-25 (the Kairos retreat I went on as a junior).
Hangout: Parking lot in back of 7-11.
Where would I be in 10 years? Making lots of money and getting lots of chicks.



Mathew Bowen
James Brecheisen
Chris Brown
Joseph Burke
Joseph Burns

Carlos Cabezas
Joseph Caldwell
Christopher Campbell
Anthony Carson
Ryan Cesla

ready to face the impending new millennium

Just kidding! Actually, I really don't know where I would be in ten years, but I hope it is somewhere where I am able to use my skills and talents to help others.
Quote: "When I think back to all of the crap I've learned in high school, it's a wonder I can think at all!" - Paul Simon.
Activities: Tennis 1; Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track & Field 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Film and Video Club 3,4; Book of the Month Club 4
Awards: K.C. All-Metro Cross Country Team Honorable Mention 3,4; Golden Spike Award 3; 1999 Captain of the Varsity Cross Country Team 4; State Qualifier Cross Country 3,4; Mission trip to Honduras with Fr. Pinie, S.J. 4

Joe Burke "JB"
Music: All types
Achievement: Lasting two weeks with Senior Stahr in Spain.
Why girls dig me: I am really easy ... to get along with.
Memorable experience: Interning for three years at the Channel 9 Sports department.
Hangout: The Max
Where would I be in 10 years? Doing a play-by-play for a college basketball team.
Quote: "Goodbye says it all" - Tim McGraw
Activities: Baseball 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Editor-in-Chief 3; SPA 4; Club Cabert 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Senior Brother 4; Rockfest 3,4
Awards: R-Award 3; Ignatian Honors 3; First Honors 1,2,4; Model UN 4

Joe Burns
Music: Any
Achievement: Winning the soccer state championship.
Why girls dig me: Because I bake brownies for them.
Memorable experience: Trying to dry my clothes before Jr. Homecoming.
Hangout: Wilson's third base.
Where would I be in 10 years? Married in San Diego and working for the fire department.
Quote: "If it be, let it be" - Queen Gertrude
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Spirit Club 1,4; Go Chicken Go 4; Student Ambassador 3

Carlos Cabezas "Chuck" "The Head"
Music: Jazz, Rock en Espanol.
Achievement: Being able to complete all four years here at the Rock with flying colors.
Why girls dig me: My personality.
Memorable experience: Spanish 4 with the Senior Express ... need I say more!
Hangout: South American Imports.
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere living abroad, working and married.
Quote: "It's been the best four years here at the Rock. They are my family who I care about."
Activities: Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Pep Band 2,3,4; Student Success Center 4; Photo Club 1; National Honor Society 3,4
Awards: Theology Award 1; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3,4; Class Honors 1,2,3,4

Joe Caldwell "Squints" "Tex-Mex" "Mexican" "Skunk"
Music: Rock/Rap
Achievement: Graduating from Rockhurst and passing Chemistry.
Why girls dig me: Good smile, nice body, great car.
Memorable experience: Just enjoying the four years I have spent here with all my friends.
Hangout: Friends houses, Ward Parkway Lanes.
Where would I be in 10 years? I would be at a high paying job, married to a good looking wife, and have three kids.
Quote: "It was the best seven years of my life."
Activities: Basketball manager 1,2,3; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Pro-Life Club 4; SADD 4
Awards: Honor Roll 3,4; Eagle Scout 4

Christopher G. Campbell "Chris"
Music: Anything that takes hard work and talent.
Achievement: Being able to attend "The Rock."
Why girls dig me: Because of my ability to woo the ladies with my Shakespearean verse.
Memorable experience: All of the support that Rockhurst family gave to me and my family when my father passed away.
Hangout: Town Center Plaza
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully somewhere working in Law Enforcement.
Quote: "Adventure is not outside a man; it's within."
Activities: Football 1; Golf 3; Golf Club 4; Spanish Club 2,3;
Awards: Brian A. Gromowsky Scholarship 2

Ryan Cesla
Why girls dig me: Why wouldn't they?
Hangout: The Max
Quote: "THE ROCK RULES!"
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Rugby 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Ultimate Frisbee Club 3,4
Awards: First Honors 1,4; Second Honors 2,3



Daniel Clark helped with the Ash Wednesday Liturgy

Jesus Chapa
 Danny Chiao
 Ralph Claret
 Benjamin Clark
 Daniel Clark



James Clark
 Adam Clayton
 Aaron Clevinger
 Garrett Coffey
 Jeffery Collins



The newest group of Rockhurst Alumni

Jesus Chapa

Music: Hip hop, jazz
Achievement: Not having hurt anyone in this school after 4 years.
Why girls dig me: They want to be part of the fan club.
Memorable experience: Cornell University Summer College
Hangout: Planet Cafe
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere raising hell about someone's violated rights or something similar.
Quote: "I don't have low self-esteem. I just have low esteem for others."
Activities: Track; 2,3; MEET; 1,2,3,4; SADD; 2,3,4; Yearbook/Production Manager; 3; SPA; 3,4; Amnesty; 2,3,4; National Honor Society; 3,4;
Awards: Ignatian Honors; 2,3; First Honors; 1,4; 'R' Award; 3; Who's Who; 2,3; Ventures Scholar; 2,3; AP Scholar; 3; National Hispanic Scholar; 4

Daniel Antonio Devalle Clark

Music: No favorite type except I do dislike heavy metal.
Achievement: I hope that I have not had my greatest achievement in life thus far because there is so much more I would like to do.
Why girls dig me: Personality, body, darker complexion.
Memorable experience: Sitting in the middle seat of the Rose Theater before a performance or show with all of the lights dim, the chairs quiet, and the stage listening to the whisper of the winding draft and I, myself, wondering what will happen tonight.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully I will be here... on earth.
Activities: Winter Weights 2; Regis Club 2,3,4; Student Government 4; Pastoral Council Member 4; Student Ambassador 1,2,3,4; Musical Theater 1,3,4; French Club 2,3; Ecology Club 3
Awards: Fairfield University Book Award, Theology Award 3; National Honor Society 3,4; National Hispanic Merit Finalist 4

J.W. Clark "Dubs"

Music: Heavy Metal, Hard-core.
Achievement: Four years in Varsity Lacrosse.
Why girls dig me: My Tom Cruise nose.
Memorable experience: The old Rockhurst building and Jaundice.
Hangout: Hangouts don't exist anymore, unless you go to Blue Valley North and loiter at McDonald's.
Where would I be in 10 years? Working at a bank or teaching in a school.
Quote: "Dude, we're a bunch of dudes. Let's go do some dude things. These girls have lost their entertainment value."
Activities: Lacrosse 1,2,3,4; Football 1; Intramural; Basketball 1,2,3,4 & Frisbee 3,4; French Club 3
Awards: Second Honors 1,2

Adam Traver Clayton "Redheaded Fat Kid"

Music: Rap
Achievement: Varsity letter in swimming.
Why girls dig me: My sense of humor.
Memorable experience: Attending RHS sporting events.
Hangout: RHS cafeteria before school.
Where would I be in 10 years? Where ever my imagination takes me.
Quote: "I see you rolled your way into the semi's, dios mio man." - Jesus (The Big Lebowski).
Activities: Football 1; Swimming 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 2,3,4; Regis Club 2,3,4; Art Club 3,4; Newspaper 3,4
Awards: Coaches Choice in Swimming 4

Aaron Clevinger "Willow," "Treehugger," "Pale Rider," "CJ," "El Poco Torro"

Music: Everything from Pennywise to Counting Crows.
Achievement: Beating Desmet in lacrosse at home senior year and then making it to prom at STA.
Memorable Experience: Senior year homecoming.
Hangout: Anywhere the conversation is interesting or fishing in my backyard.
Where would I be in 10 years? Alive?
Quote: "If you never stared off into the distance then your life is a shame."
Activities: Cross Country; 1; Lacrosse; 1,2,3,4; Outdoors Club; 1,2; Latin Club; 1; Ecology Club; 1; Ultimate Frisbee; 3,4; Club Ride; 4; TIE; 3,4;
Awards: TIE Award; 4; Who's Who Among HS Students; 3,4; Missouri Lacrosse Association All-Star; 1; First Team All-State; 3

Jeff Collins "Jeff"

Music: Beastie Boys.
Achievement: Going on Kairos.
Why girls dig me: My bowling form is amazing and I'm funny.
Memorable experience: Getting run over by a car driven by Corey Swope.
Hangout: Wherever the party is.
Where would I be in 10 years? Waiting tables at Tippins Restaurant.
Quote: "Hey, did you get the homework from last night?"
Activities: Football; 1,2; Track & Field; 1,3; Intramural Basketball; 1,2,3,4; Intramural Volleyball; 1,2; TIE; 3,4

Brett Coppage "8 is great," "Popeye," "Boy Toy," "The Body"

Music: Dave Matthews
Achievement: Winning State two years in a row in soccer.
Why girls dig me: I know that when they say no they really mean yes.
Memorable experience: When "Jaundice" made a guest appearance after Homecoming and at the movies.
Hangout: McDonald's
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere
Quote: "You don't know what you may find. Why don't you come with me little girl on a magic carpet ride"
Activities: Track 1,2; Soccer 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 4; National Honor Society 2; Outdoor's Club 1

Kert Crowe "Red Baron"

Music: Dave Matthews' Band
Achievement: All my friends
Why girls dig me: Cause I'm the Baron.
Memorable experience: Running into TWA field for the state championship.
Hangout: Behind Elder's bar.



Seniors Tim Wientzen and Dan Kellerman await their introductions at pre-prom.



Patrick Connelly
Brett Coppage
Lawrence Crowe
Mark Cummings
Brandon Dange



Matt Darby
James Davey
Colin Davis
Joseph Denny
Cole Dimond

joins thousands who have gone before



Senior Musicians and Singers performed with nationally-know jazz singer Marilyn Maye at the October benefit show. **FRONT ROW:** Bob Stokes, Jack Bondon, Alex Landazuri, Greg Owsley, Steve Allison, Patrick Landazuri. **Second Row:** Chris Campbell, Jeremy Rieck, Paul Mattione. **THIRD ROW:** Colin Koranda, Pablo Palmeri. **TOP:** Chris Wiggins.

Where would I be in 10 years? Only God knows.
Quote: "Let us celebrate. Celebrate we will for life is short but sweet for certain." - Dave Matthews.
Activities: Football 1,2,4; Baseball 1,2; Track 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Regis Club 2,3,4; Spanish Club 3; Kairos 4
Awards: R-Award 3; St. Regis Award 3
Brandon Dange
Music: Hip-hop, rap, r&b, pop
Achievement: Leading five wonderful guys on Kairos.
Why girls dig me: Because I am just that cute.
Memorable experience: Kairos, Children of Eden, MEET trip to Memphis.
Hangout: Where ever my friends are.
Where would I be in 10 years? A highly successful attorney
Quote: "Love is shown more in deeds than in words."
Activities: MEET 4; Go Chicken Go 4; Chapel Choir 2,3,4
Matthew Ryan Darby "Darbs"
Music: Anything by Dave Matthews.
Achievement: Signing a National Letter of Intent to play soccer at Marquette University
Why girls dig me: Because we're better than all the other schools combined.
Memorable experience: Winning two consecutive state championships.
Hangout: Bowling alley
Where would I be in 10 years? Back at Rockhurst teaching English and coaching soccer

Quote: "Whoever said winning isn't everything never won anything."
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Intramural Basketball 2,3,4; Student Government 3,4; Student Ambassador 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Pastoral Council 2,3
Awards: Class Honors 1; First Honors 2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 2,3,4; All District 2; All West Region 3,4; All State 4; Missouri Defensive Player of the Year 4; All Metro 4
Jim Davey
Music: Classic Rock
Achievement: Going on to the next level by playing Division I soccer.
Why girls dig me: They know my reputation.
Memorable experience: Winning two state titles in a row.
Hangout: Friend's houses
Where would I be in 10 years? Don't know.
Quote: "An unforgettable experience"
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4
Awards: Honor Roll 1; All State Soccer 4
Cole Dimond
Achievement: Defending our sacred campus one cold night in February;
Memorable experience: Beating Desmet in Pioneer Cup.
Hangout: The park
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere HOT
Quote: "It's been fun, but all good things come to an end"
Activities: Lacrosse 4; Football 1; Film/Video Club 2

Darus Dixon
 Jeff Dobbie
 Rory Donnelly
 Michael Downs
 Brian Dress



Brian Dugan
 Sean Dugan
 Chris Duker
 Giovanni Dumaguin
 Trevor DuVall



Seniors complete rigorous four years

Darus Dixon "DD" "Double D," "D" "DD2G"
Music: Rap and R&B
Achievement: Learning to become a man for others and using competence, compassion, and conscience to the best of my ability.
Why girls dig me: Girls dig me because I am an all out cool guy, in everything I do I try to stay real to myself and to others.
Memorable experience: Sitting down during my senior year with Mr. Thomas, Murphy and talking about my future plans in life and my goals at Rockhurst.
Hangout: "The Basement," a.k.a. "The Dungeon."
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully in 10 years I see myself running my own business, or having a good position on the corporate ladder where I am able to support myself spiritually and financially.
Quote: "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." - Philippians 4:13.
Activities: Basketball 1; Football 1; MEEF 1,2,3,4; Rattle of the Bands 2,3,4
Awards: NAACP Scholarship 3,4
Jeff Dobbie "Dobbs", "Billy Bob"
Music: Country
Achievement: Earning 4th place at state in the shot-put junior year, and making it to state senior year in football.
Why girls dig me: I am the best looking guy in the school.
Memorable experience: Running out on to the field of the Transworld Dome prior to the State Championship Game.
Hangout: Any party.
Where would I be in 10 years? A successful lawyer in California.
Quote: "Life is 10% what happens to you and 90% how you react to it."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Track and Field 1,2,3,4
Awards: "R" award 3; All-Metro/All-State shot-put 3; Metro Sports - All Metro Football 4; KC Star All metro Football 4
Rory Donnelly "Ro-Ro"
Music: Poly Ethnic, Cajun Slam Grass.
Achievement: 14th at State Cross Country.
Why girls dig me: Smooth like silk, melt like butta.
Memorable experience: Junior year-day two. Thanks to the most diverse group of guys.
Hangout: Barnes and Noble.
Where would I be in 10 years? Working as a lawyer in Midtown-Kansas City.
Quote: "Everything I really needed to know I learned in kindergarten."
Activities: Basketball 1,2,3; Cross Country 4; Track & Field 3,4; NIS 3,4; French Club 1,2,3,4; Outdoor Club 1,2,3,4; Great Books Society 2,3,4
Awards: All-State, All-Metro, All-District Cross Country 4; All-District Track 3
Mike Downs "Dirty Downs"
Music: Everything
Achievement: The stinky flute.
Why girls dig me: Because I'll do ANYTHING!
Memorable experience: Driving a dumptruck with Blimpkin. We stopped by Houdini's house on our way to CBT.
Hangout: The park and St. Andrews volleyball courts.
Where would I be in 10 years? Welfare line with my wife and twelve kids
Quote: "So I said... 'If it smells like tuna, it has to taste good!'"
Activities: Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track & Field 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4
Brian Dress "Dress-Dog"
Music: Britney Spears
Achievement: Still being sane after four years of Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: Simple: "The Bear Show."
Memorable experience: Watching Mr. Schlichting throw an eraser at a student's head.
Hangout: Sady's Car - 1984 VW Quantum.
Where would I be in 10 years? Anywhere but here.
Quote: "It's always the quiet ones."
Activities: Intramural Basketball 1,2,3,4; Debate 1,2,3,4; SADD 1,2,3,4; National Knowledge Bowl Team 2,3,4; Model UN 3,4; Math Team 3,4; SPA 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4
Awards: National Merit Finalist 4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 2,3,4

Brian Dugan
Music: Rock
Achievement: When I graduate from Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: My strikingly good looks.
Memorable experience: Wearing ties at the Aquinas soccer game.
Hangout: Any party.
Where would I be in 10 years? Making a lot of money.
Quote: "Let's get nuts!"
Activities: Track & Field 1,2,3,4; Intramural 1,2,3,4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4
Sean Dugan "Doogie," "Doog"
Music: Rock and rap
Achievement: Graduating.
Why girls dig me: Because I hang out with Tom Lenihan and they say I look like the quarterback that gets hurt from Varsity Blues.
Memorable experience: All of senior year.
Hangout: Trend's.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully with a family and a good job, meaning I hope I get through college.
Quote: "What?"
Activities: Track and Field 1,2,3; Intramural Basketball 1,2,3,4; Intramural Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Intramural Football 4; Ultimate Frisbee Club 4; Yell Leader 4
Awards: Second Honors 4
Christopher Duker "Big Daddy Duker"
Music: Classical-rap, country
Achievement: Competing for the state championship in football.
Why girls dig me: I can put a smile on their faces.
Memorable experience: Senior Service Project.
Hangout: Brandon Shelby's house.
Where would I be in 10 years? In the Midwest as a successful businessman.
Quote: "The only person who can change your situation in life is you."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Track 3,4; MEEF 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 4; Senior Brother 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Kairos 4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 2
Giovanni M. Dumaguin "Jojo"
Music: Soft music, rock
Achievement: Getting into Rockhurst High School.
Why girls dig me: I don't know. They just do.
Memorable experience: Señor Staihr's Honors Spanish 3 class.
Hangout: Friend's house.
Where would I be in 10 years? Back home to my native country.
Quote: "A great privilege that will never be forgotten"
Activities: Student Success Center 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Men's Choir 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Art Club 3,4; Senior Brother 4; Regis Club 4; Drama Tech. 4; SADD 1,4; Kairos 4; Pastoral Council 4;
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4
Trevor DuVall "Italian Sausage"
Music: Anything I can groove to.
Achievement: Winning Intramural Basketball Championship.
Why girls dig me: "I'm gorgeous."
Memorable experience: "Mike Tiehen dancing."
Hangout: Meyer's basement
Where would I be in 10 years? Playing in the park with my dog.
Quote: "Picture me rollin'" - Tupac Shakur.
Activities: Soccer 3; Frisbee 4; Intramural Basketball 4; Spirit Club 4
James Eddy "Eddy"
Music: Anything
Achievement: Overcoming early adversity and being where I am now.
Why girls dig me: They like my "special features" with the option to buy.
Memorable experience: The student cheering escapade at the Aquinas Soccer game when we were proclaimed the #1 cheering section in the city, during a piece done by metro sports.
Hangout: Ward Parkway Lanes
Where would I be in 10 years? Washington D.C.
Quote: "They were right, it was the best and fastest 4 years of my life."



James Eddy
Corey Egan
Jamison Elder
Max Ernst
Konnor Ervin

Shane Fairchild
Cary Felzien
David Finke
Matthew Finucane
Adam Flack

in preparation for college and life

Activities: Track 1; National Honor Society 4; Missouri Boys State 3; SPA 2,3,4; Model U.N. 4; Kairos 26; Kairos 29
Awards: Honors 1,2,3,4; Attendance Award 1,2; Señor Roney's perfect homework award 2

Corey Egan "Egon" "Naked man" (I don't know why.)

Music: Contemporary Christian

Achievement: Shutting out Jeff City 34-0 in the state semi-final football game.

Why girls dig me: I tell them that I know 'Slick Rick' Senior Stair.

Memorable experience: Playing in the TWA Dome for a state championship in front of all those people.

Hangout: Porto's basement

Where would I be in 10 years? Living on a houseboat at the Lake of the Ozarks with Tom Porto and Joe Orscheln.

Quote: "Been there, done that, and got a t-shirt to prove it."

Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Track & Field 1,2,3,4; Student Ambassador 2,3,4; Kairos 3; Rockfest 1,2,3,4; Go Chicken Go Club 4; Spirit Club 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4

Awards: Physical Education Award 2; First Honors 2; Second Honors 1,3,4

Jamie Elder "Flounder"

Music: Dave & Counting Crows (a little country).

Achievement: Not using vulgarities on this sheet.

Why girls dig me: If you really want to know ask me later, I'll show you.

Memorable experience: I don't remember.

Hangout: A park

Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully not still here (but you never know).

Quote: "I've been hanging around this town for way too long!" - Counting Crows; "Dark clouds may hang over me sometimes, but I'll work it out." - Dave Matthews Band.

Activities: Football 1; Spanish Club: 3,4; Ultimate Frisbee Club: 3,4;

Awards: NONE 1,2,3,4;

Max Ernst

Music: Anything

Why girls dig me: They don't

Memorable experience: My participation in 'Twelfth Night.'

Hangout: Don't have one.

Where would I be in 10 years? I don't know

Quote: "Silence is Golden"

Activities: Football 1; Track 1; Drama Club 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4;

Awards: National Merit Finalist 4; Class Honors 1,2,3,4

Konnor Ervin "Database"

Music: Good music

Achievement: Mastering PASCAL software.

Why girls dig me: It may be the obvious (my extremely well-built upper body), or it could be that I respect all women, for I am aware of the pivotal role they play in society.

Memorable experience: Spring Break 2000. One glorious night engulfed in the loving arms of sweet Branson, Missouri.

Hangout: The 'K' (Kaufman Stadium).

Where would I be in 10 years? Kansas City, Missouri.

Quote: "People do... people just do" - Mark Bubalo.

Activities: Does 'doing nothing' count as a sport? Art Club 2; '8th Hour' 2;

Hangout: The PASCAL Club 1

Awards: The PASCAL Award 2,3,4

Shane Fairchild

Music: Alternative

Achievement: Making it through high school.

Why girls dig me: Good question. Still trying to figure that one out.

Memorable experience: Rugby Nationals

Hangout: Don't have one.

Where would I be in 10 years? Still in college.

Activities: Soccer 1; Baseball 1; Rugby 3; SPA 3; Kairos 4

Awards: Second Honors 2,4

Cary Felzien "Scary"

Music: Reggae

Achievement: Staying sane



Ted Thornhill, Liza Campbell, Mark Cummings, and Nick Williamson pose with their prom dates.

Why girls dig me: My hairy back.

Memorable experience: I don't remember.

Hangout: Loose Park.

Where would I be in 10 years? In the middle of trying to find my piece of pie.

Quote: "My shrink says I've blocked out this part of my life."

Activities: Rugby 3; Ultimate Frisbee 3,4; Regis Club 2,3,4

David L. Finke "Finke"

Music: Alternative Rock

Achievement: Four years at Rockhurst without an ulcer.

Why girls dig me: Just flip to my picture!

Memorable experience: Class trips to Chicago and Washington D.C.

Hangout: Plaza

Where would I be in 10 years? Finishing up my residency for board certification in neurosurgery... or something like that.

Quote: "Cusick for five years. What was I thinking?"

Activities: Debate: 1,2,3,4; Pep Band: 1,2,3; Pit Orchestra: 1,2,3,4; SGA: 1,3,4;

Awards: English Award: 2; John Philip Sousa Award: 1,2,3;

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Daniel Flemington
 Steven Foster
 Michael Frey
 Joseph Gall
 Eric Garcia



Cal Gast
 Andy Gilchrist
 Austin Gilmore
 Thomas Grams
 David Gregg



It seems like only yesterday that the Class of



Senior Tommy Grams and his date Jenny Ferns pose for pictures at pre-prom.

Dan Flemington
Music: Funk, classic rock, Phish, The Dead.
Achievement: Winning Rattle.
Why girls dig me: My eyes.
Memorable experience: How insane Cancun was.
Hangout: The park.
Quote: "Finally"
Activities: Track 1,2; Ultimate Frisbee Club 2
Mike Frey "Big Mike"
Music: Depends on the mood.
Achievement: Receiving awards that were voted upon by my peers.
Why girls dig me: I am bigger than they are.
Memorable experience: Running on the field in the TWA Dome, and playing in the State Basketball Tourney.
Hangout: Porto's on Monday or Sunday nights.
Where would I be in 10 years?: On the East or West Coast.
Quote: In remembrance of Buddy Worth "Whoa Nellie!" I've had a couple memories that will last a lifetime.
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; FCA 2,3,4; NHS 3,4; R-Award 4; Senior Award of Excellence and Achievement 4; Bukaty Award 4; T. Michael Lillis Award 4
Joe Gall
Music: Jazz, Classic Rock.
Achievement: Alto I, Jazz Ensemble.
Hangout: Band Room.
Where would I be in 10 years?: Recording a new CD in Hollywood.
Activities: Pep Band 1,2,3,4; Senior Jazz Combo 3,4; Rock Collection 2; Latin Club 1,2,3; Chapel Choir 3,4
Awards: Letters 1,2,3; District Music Award 1 2; District Music Award II 3; Special Recognition (Jazz Band) 2,3
Cal Gast
Music: Rock
Why girls dig me: My rock hard body and my irresistible personality.
Memorable experience: Playing in the TWA Dome in the state championship football game.
Hangout: Loose Park.
Where would I be in 10 years?: Laying on the beach of a remote island in the Caribbean.
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 2,3; Baseball 1,2,3; Track 4; National Honor Society 3,4
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4
Michael Griffin "Grifdogg"
Music: Fat Beats
Why girls dig me: Being in the top 5 among lifetime sports bowlers.
Most memorable experience: Playing in the TWA dome for the State Football Game.
Where will I be in 10 years?: No idea.
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1; Track 2,3,4; Senior Brother 4; NHS 3,4; Scholar Athlete of the Year award 4; Academic first honors 1,2,3,4
Chris Guerra
Music: Different kinds of examples: Nine Inch Nails, Red Hot Chili Peppers, etc.
Achievement: Art
Why girls dig me: They don't.
Memorable experience: G-coffee.
Hangout: McDonald's, The mall.
Where would I be in 10 years?: Hopefully not in Kansas.
Quote: "A lot of my friends were kicked out. I've gained as much as I've Lost."
Awards: Second Honors 2,3
Elton J. Gumbel, III "El Dorado," "Li'l E," "Pretty E"
Music: R&B
Achievement: Pulling off the student MEET Club field trip to Memphis, Tennessee. Otherwise, becoming a National Achievement Semifinalist and

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Michael Griffin
Chris Guerra
Elton Gumbel
Daniel Gwartney
David Hamilton



Robert Hamilton
Leon Harden
David Hayob
Nathaniel Heim
Chris Hentzen

2000 was in the Rose for Freshmen Orientation



Leon Harden orders his pictures at pre-prom activities.

appearing in *People Magazine*.
Why girls dig me: They dig my sideburns and good hair. Girls diggin' me just comes naturally when you're a pretty boy! Shelby doesn't know anything about that.
Memorable experience: Going on a media covered trip with 11 other students to St. Louis to attend mass with the Pope. It was an opportunity of a lifetime!
Hangout: Anytime I don't have homework, can get out of the house, and go somewhere with my friends would be my favorite hangout. Friends make the hangout, not the place.
Where would I be in 10 years? Very successful with a beautiful wife and family. I will hopefully be doing what I love: journalism or marketing. I'll be the one in that big mansion everyone dreams about.
Quote: "The experiences from all four years have provided me with so many memories and so many opportunities. Of which I am forever grateful. At the same time, I can't wait to enjoy all of the experiences that await in college!"
Activities: Baseball 1, JV Golf 3; Intramural 1,2,3,4; MLET 1,2,3,4; Rockhurst Student Ambassador 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Regis Club 4; ILE Program 3,4; Prep News 3,4
Awards: RHS Representative in *People Magazine* 3; RHS Representative in Catholic High School Photo Ad 2; National Achievement Semifinalist 4; Congressional Youth Leadership Conference Participant 4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4
Dan Gwartney
Music: Metal/Techno.
Achievement: Kairos.
Why girls dig me: Girls dig me?
Memorable experience: My 18th Birthday, enough said.
Hangout: Target on 119th and State Line.
Where would I be in 10 years? Still in college or at Hen House.
Quote: "Girls dig me!"
Robert Hamilton
Music: Anything Adam Young likes
Achievement: Directing *Waiting for Godot*.
Why girls dig me: Because I dig Mr. Bascom.
Memorable experience: Directing *Waiting for Godot*.
Favorite hangout: Joe's BBQ.
Where would I be in 10 years: I most aspire to be a vagrant preferably in France or Germany.
Quote: "We are the music makers and we are the dreamers of the dreams" - Ronald Dahl
Activities: Cross Country:1,2,3,4; Track:1,2; Drama Club:3,4; Chess Club:2,3,4; Book of the Month Club:3,4
Awards: R Award:1
David Hayob "The Experience"
Music: Classic Rock, 101 the Fox.
Achievement: Living to see 18.
Why girls dig me: Other than the nickname, my devastating good looks, mixed with a crooner's voice.
Memorable experience: Liberty football game, last home game, we lined the clubhouse waiting for the players to come out.
Hangout: Loose Park, bowling alley!
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere where women want me and men want to be like me... I'm still thinking though.
Quote: "I lived the life I loved and I loved the life I lived while here at the Rock."
Activities: Baseball:1,2,3,4; French Club:3,4; Classics Club:3,4; SPA:4
Awards: Class Honors 1,3,4; First Honors 1,2
Chris Hentzen "Chris"
Music: Classic rock, oldies.
Achievement: Playing for regional champion soccer team, The KC Legends.
Why girls dig me: They don't, really.
Memorable experience: National championship at Disney World.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully having a job.
Quote: "Like a really fast roller coaster."
Activities: Sophomore soccer 1; JV Soccer 2,3

Jacob Hildebrand
Ryan Hohl
David Hudnall
James Hupp
Richard Hwang



Carlo Javillonar
Matthew Jewett
Robert Kehm
Daniel Kellerman
Joshua Kenning



The RHS Class of 2000 may be scattering,

Jacob Hildebrand "Ditch," "Tree-Hugger"

Music: Hard-core, Trip-hop, Acid, Dance
Achievement: The Grepon called petit.
Why girls dig me: I'm the Mountain Man.
Memorable experience: July 15th, 1999
Where would I be in 10 years?': Most likely in a wheel-chair or living in the forest with all my little friends.
Quote: "Souful are those who feast on the mountain and gnaw on the bone of insanity."
Activities: Soccer 1,2; Lacrosse 2,3,4; Club Ride 4; Outdoors club 1,2,3; Ultimate Frisbee 3,4
Awards: 2nd honors 1,2,3,4

Ryan Hohl "8 Oedipus Stabone"

Music: Rock
Achievement: Making it through three years of newspaper.
Why girls dig me: They just do, man.
Memorable experience: My infamous incident in newspaper sophomore year involving my pants and what's underneath them...
Hangout: Wherever my friends are.
Where would I be in 10 years?': As far away from Brent Kriegshauser as I can be.
Quote: "It was the pants, it was the pants!"
Activities: Lacrosse 1,2; Football 1; Newspaper 2,3,4; Go Chicken Go Club 4; Speech & Debate 1; Student Government Representative 2
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3; R-Award 1; NSPA Journalism Award 3

David Hudnall "Hud" "Chuddy" "Huddy-Pants"

Music: Any monster ballad, because every bad boy has his soft side.
Achievement: Winning the Basketball Intramural Championship game.
Why girls dig me: Because I treat them like objects and they like it.
Memorable experience: That ensued to St. Louis for the fall sports championships and the late night antics that ensued.
Hangout: My room, playing Nintendo by myself.
Where would I be in 10 years?': Starting to crumble beneath the weight of the world.
Quote: "We do not stop laughing because we grow old, we grow old because we stop laughing." - Anon.
Activities: Football 1; Basketball Intramural 1,2,3,4; Volleyball Intramural 2,3; Football Intramural 2,3,4; Newspaper 3,4; Go Chicken Go Club 4; Book of the Month Club 3,4; Frisbee Club 3,4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4

James R. Hupp

Music: Progressive rock (late 80's), rock and roll.
Achievement: Qualifying to nationals in Duo Interpretation.
Why girls dig me: Girls... yes, yes, I've heard of those before.
Memorable experience: Kairos; watching one after another of my teammates qualify to nationals; model UN senior year and listening to our tapes; being in "Rosenkrantz and Guildenstern Are Dead."
Hangout: The bench outside Prof. Bascom's classroom.
Where would I be in 10 years?': Ideally, making an Oscar acceptance speech or writing for a major magazine and truly happy with myself, but I'll likely be working somewhere boring behind a desk.
Quote: "We've come this far, And besides, anything could happen yet." - Tom Stoppard.
Activities: Debate/Forensics 1,2,3,4; SPA 3,4; Student Government Assoc. 4; Junior Classics League 3,4; Pro Life Club 3,4; Book of the Month 3
Awards: National Forensic Semifinalist 4; High Honor-National Greek Exam 3; National Qualifier-Forensics (Duo Interp.) 4; State Finalist Duet Acting 3; State Finalist Prose 4

Richard Hwang "Hwanger" "Wu-Tang Hwang" "Huang-Chung" "Cato"

Music: Buddhist Chant in B-flat
Achievement: Every cross-country race I wanted to quit but finished.
Why girls dig me: What else can I say, Asians are lucky.
Memorable experience: Coming to Rockhurst kicking and blaspheming. Now not wanting to leave. Note to self: follow the fortune cookie's advice.
Hangout: Anywhere Chinese buffet is served for \$5.99 or less.
Where would I be in 10 years?': Plotting against Dr. Campisano for ruining my senior slide, even though it won't matter 10 years from now.

Quote: "Try something new, fail at something new, learn something new." - Fortune Cookie.
Activities: Cross-Country 3,4; Pep Band: 1,2,3; AAC 2,3,4; Senior Brother 4; National Honor Society 3,4;
Awards: 1st Honors:1,2,4; Class Honors:3; 1 rating State Piano Solo: 3; II rating State Clarinet Trio;

Carlo Javillonar

Music: R&B (basically anything on Z 95.7)
Achievement: Being accepted into colleges.
Why girls dig me: Have you seen me... "aaaaayyy, how you doing?"
Memorable experience: Dealing with the kids at my senior service project
Hangout: My girlfriend's house.
Where would I be in 10 years?': Somewhere overseas, on vacation, enjoying my new wealth
Activities: Football 1; SADD 1,2,3,4; Go Chicken Go 4;

Matt Jewett

Music: Punk Rock
Achievement: Being named to the under 18 United States National Team in soccer.
Why girls dig me: A magician never reveals his secrets.
Memorable experience: winning back-to-back State Championships.
Hangout: My room
Where would I be in 10 years?': Hopefully making a lot of money playing professional soccer.
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Kairos 28,30, 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4;
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4; Varsity Soccer Captain 3,4; All-Metro Player of the Year 4; All-Metro 1,2,3,4; All-State 3,4; N.S.C.A.A All-Midwest 4; Missouri Offensive Player of the Year 4

Bob Kehm "Sideshow"

Music: Alternative
Achievement: Running Cross Country.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm cool.
Memorable experience: Football and soccer state title games.
Hangout: Dugan's house
Where would I be in 10 years?': I have no idea. Ask me later.
Quote: "Life's like a hurricane. It keeps twirlin' and twirlin'."
Activities: Cross Country 2,3,4; Regis Club 2,3,4; Chapel Choir 2,3; National Honor Society 3,4; Stuco 4; Kairos 3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4
Awards: R-Award 2,3; Cross Country Captain 4; First Honors 2,3,4; Second Honors 1

Danny Kellerman

Music: Classic Rock & Funk.
Achievement: Intramural Champion in 2000 as a part of something special.
Why girls dig me: My lack of muscles and my sarcasm.
Memorable experience: Kairos, Intramural Championship, Mr. Alvey's class.
Hangout: My house.
Where would I be in 10 years?': Hopefully living somewhere in Europe and earning money as a Doctor.
Quote: "Every little thing is gonna be all right." -Bob Marley
Activities: Basketball:1; Cross-Country:1; Ultimate Frisbee Club:3,4; Intramurals: 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 4
Awards: First Honors 4; Second Honors 1,2,3; Art Award

Josh Kenning "Sarge"

Music: Eclectic
Achievement: Not flunking Dr. Campisano's physics class.
Why girls dig me: I have no idea why I'm so attractive...
Memorable experience: Seeing Patrick Adie with his hair spiked - Sadly, all the people that died during my years here.
Hangout: Sitting behind my drumset.
Where would I be in 10 years?': In Muscle Shoals, Alabama, being a rock star.
Quote: "Veni, Vidi, Vici - I came, I saw, I conquered."
Activities: Shotput & Discus 1,2; Wrestling 3; Drama Club 1; Junior Classical League 1,2; Pit Orchestra 3
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4; National Merit Commended 3; Second place at District for Violin Solo 3; Score of 5 on AP English test 3



Ryan Kisner
Noah Klever
Collin Koranda
Brent Kriegshauser
Barrett Kroll



Alexander Krump
Justin Kuchem
Timothy Laird
Alex Landazuri
Pat Landazuri

but the bonds created here are tightly woven



Senior Chris Wiggins poses with students of Cherokee Elementary School where he completed his senior service project

Noah Klever "Chestor"

Music: I only listen to the soundtrack of War of the Worlds...Bergman has the cd.
Achievement: Arguing the issue of recycling at the Leawood City council meeting.

Why girls dig me: During my 18 years of interaction with the opposite sex, I have found that I am not an attractive person.

Memorable experience: Watching Joe Gall raise his hand in Mr. Griffin's junior English class and saying (on the subject of Slaughterhouse 5): "We should call it 'Splatterhouse 5.'"

Hangout: My Grandma's house.

Quote: "I feel exquisite pleasure in dwelling on the recollections of childhood, before misfortune had tainted my mind, and changed its bright visions of extensive usefulness into gloomy and narrow reflections upon self."

Activities: Film and Video Club 3,4;

Awards: Perfect Attendance Certificate;3

Collin Koranda "Philthy" "Special K"

Music: A little Blues & Jazz, Rock, and some Bluegrass.

Achievement: making JD disappear from Annie Leonard's House.

Why girls dig me: I'd rather not say.

Memorable experience: Coach Morris in the dodge ball game.

Where would I be in 10 years? Hanging from a tree.

Quote: "Oh, going nowhere and everywhere; just out walking."

Activities: Soccer 1,2; Lacrosse 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Hockey 2; Outdoors Club 1,2,3; Club Ride 4; Ultimate Frisbee Club 3,4

Awards: Second Honors 1; First Honors 2,4; Class Honors 3; Kansas City Metro Area High School Hockey League 1st team All-star and Defenseman of the year 2

Brent Kriegshauser "Kreigs," "Krieger"

Music: Country

Achievement: First Team All-Metro Golf Honors.

Why girls dig me: Because of my massive frame that tips the scales at a buck twenty seven (127 lbs).

Memorable experience: Winning back to back state championships in golf.

Hangout: Golf course.

Where would I be in 10 years? In 10 years I hope to be playing golf for a living. If not, I'd like to work in investments and financial planning.

Quote: "The secret of success is to be like a duck, smooth and unruffled on the top but paddling furiously underneath."

Activities: Golf 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1; Prep News 2,3,4; Spirit Club 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Fellowship of Christian Athletes 1,2; Kairos 4

Awards: All State Golf 1,2,3; All Metro Golf 3; District Champion Golf 3; Journalism Student of the Year 3; Class Honors 1,2,3,4; Missouri Scholastic Press Association Sportswriting Contest Winner 3; Wendy's High School Heisman Nominee 3; Presidential Scholarship 1; Journalism Educators of Metro KC Sportswriting Contest Winner 3; KC Star Metro Athlete of the Week 2.

Barrett Kroll "B. Kroll"

Music: Rap

Achievement: Kairos

Why girls dig me: Charming good looks.

Memorable experience: Senior year Rockhurst/Aquinas soccer game - Everyone dressed up.

Hangout: The Spot

Where would I be in 10 years? Don't know, but hopefully making lots of money!

Quote: "When times get hard hold your head up high. Stick your chest out and handle it!"

Activities: Soccer 1; Spanish 4; Regis 1

Alexander Krump

Music: All

Achievement: Making it this far at the Rock.

Why girls dig me: No space for picture.

Memorable experience: Halloween '98

Hangout: I can't remember where it is.

Where would I be in 10 years? Not reading this.

Quote: "Things work out the best for those who make the best of the way things work out."

Activities: Soccer 1; Rugby 2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Art Club 1,2,3,4; Outdoors Club 1,2,3; Ultimate Frisbee 3,4

Awards: R-Award 3; First Honors 3; Honor Roll 2,3,4

Justin Kuchem "J. Kooks," "Kooch," and various other methods of name-butcherery.

Music: Bubblegum pop.

Achievement: Hangin' out at Mr. Bascom's pad.

Why girls dig me: You wouldn't print it if I told you.

Memorable experience: Kairos, I'm actually serious about that one, and Battle of the Bands.

Hangout: The Gap, Abercrombie & Fitch, The Peach Pit

Where would I be in 10 years? Playing Nintendo in my parents' basement.

Quote: "The thing about ADHD is ... What's your favorite color?"

Activities: Book of the Month 3,4; Spanish Club 2; Drama Department 4; Senior Brother 4; Battle of the Bands 2,3,4; Kairos 4

Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4

Tim Laird "Logic," "Lard," "Lenny"

Music: Whatever is on the radio.

Why girls dig me: Everybody likes to have their picture taken.

Memorable experience: Winning the 1998 top unrated chess player in the 41300 section at chess nationals.

Hangout: A friend's house

Where would I be in 10 years? Anywhere else.

Quote: "It was a good time to be here but a great time to succeed"

Activities: Lacrosse manager 2,3; Wrestling 1; Photo Club 2; Flying Club 2,3,4; Chess Club 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 1,2

Awards: Top Unrated Chess Player 2; State Photographer 3,4

Alex Landazuri "Crazle Dazzle"

Music: Any kind except country.

Hangout: Safe House in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Where would I be in 10 years? Having a \$980,000 job.

Activities: Wrestling 1; Lacrosse 2,3,4; SADD 1,2,3,4; Chess Club 1,2,3,4; Flying 4; Science Club 2,3,4

Patrick Landazuri "Xavier," "Lando," "Landaz"

Music: Alternative/rock

Achievement: Doing Rockhurst theater for four years.

Why girls dig me: I'm a nice guy ... and I listen.

Memorable experience: Senior Service Project, Blue Springs Sectionals - Freshmen year at Blue Springs, West Side Story - Selling out the house.

Hangout: Whatever friend's house

Where would I be in 10 years? Beginning a career in pediatrics.

Quote: "When will you make it end? When I am finished" - The Agony and the Ecstasy.

Activities: Wrestling 1; SPA 2,3,4; Science Club 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Orchestra 1,2,3,4

Awards: National Hispanic Scholar 2; Harvard Book Award 2; LEAD 3; II Rating

Thomas Lenihan
Joseph LeVota
Michael Linebach
Joseph Linneman
Michael Loftus



Pat Lomasney
Jake Lynch
Luke Maese
Peter Mancina
Stephen Martin

Most of the Class of 2000 displayed all

Thomas Lenihan "Incredible Hulk"
Music: Rock, rap, and hard-core metal.
Achievement: Knowing I can graduate from Rockhurst and having confidence going to college with a grade-A education.
Why girls dig me: It's gotta be the deep cuts.
Memorable experience: The Power Shack Classic and my senior graduation.
Hangout: The gym
Where would I be in 10 years? As far as I possibly can get.
Quote: "Survival, with a whole lot of thriving"
Activities: Cross Country 1,2,3; Track 1,2; Battle of the Bands Video 4
Awards: Second Honors 2,4

Joe Linneman
Music: Pop
Achievement: passing chemistry as a senior would be tied with the time I killed a fly in anatomy class(the fly was in the air) Oh yeah!
Why girls dig me: I have business cards(I use them for business, I swear)..
Memorable experience: My run-in with Mr. Stinky and a Tech 9.
Hangout: McDonald's on Roe.
Where would I be in 10 years? In the Hujoo Curo Dojo learning the black art.
Quote: "Whatcha Bench!"
Activities: Spanish Club 2; FCA 3,4; Yearbook Section Editor, 3

Mike Loftus "Lofty"
Music: Bruce Springsteen
Achievement: Making Golf Team.
Why Girls dig me: Sense of humor.
Memorable experience: Going on a cruise with my family.
Hangout: Friends' houses.
Where would I be in 10 years? Working somewhere.
Quote: "Only the good die young."
Activities: Golf 3,4; Cross-Country 1; Regis Club 2,3,4; Public Relations; French Club 3; National Honor Society 4
Awards: 2nd honors 1,2,3,4

Luke Maese "MacSe"
Music: Rock, Rap
Achievement: Winning back to back State Championships.
Why girls dig me: Because my name is MacSe.
Memorable experience: Moments after we won the soccer state championship senior year.
Hangout: My basement.
Where would I be in 10 years? Living on my own island.
Quote: "Ain't nutin' changed but my limp"
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 2; Student Ambassador 2; Club Cabaret;2; Intramurals;4;
Awards: Class Honors 3,4; 1st honors 1,2; Varsity Soccer Captain 4;

Peter Mancina "Mangina"
Music: Rock & Roll! Vroom!
Achievement: Living through Amoebas during the trip back from Spain.
Memorable experience: Hearing the cheer "Stand up Whitey!"
Hangout: Aya's Lakehouse.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully doing something I love.
Quote: "But 'til then I'll keep pushin' on until one day I'll break through. Become the man that I knew I'd be and I'll owe it all to you." - Teen Idols.
Activities: Basketball 1; Tennis 2; Basketball Intramurals 2; Frisbee Intramurals 1; Theater 4
Awards: R-Award 1; First Honors 2; Second Honors 1

Stephen Martin "Chuchi"
Music: The music that plays in my head.
Achievement: Chewing bubble gum and walking.
Why girls dig me: If you pay anybody enough, they will start to like you.
Memorable experience: Getting my hair cut in Japan.
Hangout: In between the walls.
Where would I be in 10 years? Underwater
Quote: "Definition of an abstainer: A weak person who yields to the temptation of denying himself a pleasure." - Ambrose Bierce.
Activities: Basketball 1,2; Soccer;1; Cross-Country 2,3,4; Lacrosse 4; Intramural Basketball 3,4; Outdoors Club 1,2,3; Spanish Club 4; Club Ride;4; Rock



Seniors search for their families at graduation commencement exercises in municipal auditorium.



Senior Tom Lenihan celebrates his graduation.



William Mashburn
Bobby Mata
Paul Mattione
Derek McCallum
Matthew McClusky

Brett McCracken
Scott McCready
Matt McCullough
Kevin McDaniel
Colin McFarland

the characteristics of the 'grad at grad'



Photo by Matt Darity

Senior cheer at the state championship football game in the TWA dome in St. Louis MO.

Collection 4;
Awards: 2nd Honors 1,2,3,4; Presidential Service Award 4;
Bill Mashburn "Scooter"
Music: Country
Achievement: Surviving spring break in Cancun.
Why girls dig me: Isn't it obvious?
Memorable experience: Spring break 2000 in Cancun.
Hangout: My boss' house
Where would I be in 10 years? Probably still at MU.
Quote: "I really should have taken advantage of the picture retakes."
Activities: Football 1,2; Outdoor Club 3
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4
Robert J. Mata "Bobby"
Music: Rap, all others
Achievement: Getting a letter in soccer.
Why girls dig me: Because I go to the 'Rock'.
Memorable experience: Being part of the 1999 state champion soccer team.
Hangout: Anywhere there's a party.
Where would I be in 10 years? Wherever God wants me.
Quote: "You don't miss what you have until it is gone."
Activities: Soccer 1,4; MEET 1,2,3,4; Go Chicken Go 4; Kairos 4
Paul Mattione
Music: Alternative
Achievement: National Merit Commended Scholar.
Why girls dig me: I play chess.
Memorable experience: National Chess Tournament last year. The team getting 8th place and having an awesome time there.
Hangout: Movie theater.
Where would I be in 10 years? A high paying job as an electrical engineering with a professional chess career on the side.
Quote: "The best time of my life."
Activities: Freshman Baseball Manager 1; Chess Team 1,2,3,4
Awards: Class Honors 3,4; First Honors 1,2
Derek McCallum "D-Mac"
Music: British alternative rock.
Achievement: Qualifying for sectionals in cross country.
Why girls dig me: They cannot resist my half-bred Cuban swag.
Memorable experience: At school, it has to be the state football championship. Outside of school, it has to be the outrageous party at McGannon's.
Hangout: Anywhere.
Where would I be in 10 years? In ten years, I hope to have a steady job in engineering and hopefully I will be married to Christina Aguilera.
Quote: "Rockhurst is like a hike up a mountain."
Activities: Cross Country 2,3,4; Track and Field 2,3; Freshman Football 1; Spanish Club 2,3; Engineering Club 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4
Awards: World History Award 2; American History Award 3; Class Honors 1,2,3; First Honors 1,4
Matt McClusky "Dirty Duck"

Music: Rap/Country
Achievement: Surviving Cancun 2000.
Why girls dig me: It is all in the kissing ability.
Memorable experience: Any time you get Willis Ronan & Giggles Wang in the same room, there is always a memorable experience.
Hangout: Ranchmart Lanes
Where would I be in 10 years? Living in a cave somewhere in Canada while hunting wild game to survive.
Quote: "Dirtiness does not lead to a life of cleanliness."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Track & Field 3; Weightlifting 1,2,3,4; Kairos 4;
Awards: 1st Honors 3,4; 2nd Honors 1,2;

Brett McCracken
Music: Anything done by Mr. Kern and the RHIS Chapel Choir.
Memorable experience: Beating Jeff City at Jeff City 3-4-0.
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Track 2,3; Student Ambassador 3,4; Spirit Club 4; Club Cabaret 3,4
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4; First Team All-District (Football) 4
Scott McCready "Scooter"
Music: Blues, Rock
Achievement: Becoming an Eagle Scout.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm a good "friend."
Memorable experience: Looking at my wrecked Monte SS as it was hauled to the junk yard.
Hangout: Steve Foster's basement or North Oak Trafficway.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully in a big garage filled with classic cars and Trans-Ams.
Quote: "If I had to do it again, I wouldn't change a thing."
Activities: Wrestling 1; Spanish Club 1,2;
Awards: Eagle Scout 4

Matt McCullough "Chinese Warrior"
Music: Boy bands like 98°; Disco Stu; and Backstreet Boys.
Achievement: Winning "Mr. Rock" 1999 as the Backstreet Boys.
Why girls dig me: Because I am loyal and treat them with respect.
Hangout: Mill Creek and Orshelm's
Where would I be in 10 years? Owner of a gas dock at the Ozarks.
Quote: "No, not the mace." Alex Moran.
Activities: Soccer 1; Basketball 1,2; Track 3; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Spirit Club 4; Student Ambassador 3,4; Ecology Club 1,2,3,4; Flying Club 1,2,3,4; Kairos 4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4

Kevin McDaniel "Mario"
Music: Heavy metal
Achievement: My greatest achievement has been taking a leading role in RHIS Amnesty, committing myself to a lifetime of fighting for human rights.
Memorable experience: My most memorable experience was my Senior Project at the Don Bosco Center, working with all of the refugees and the great people who work for DBC.
Hangout: Green Gecko Pizza, before it closed.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully I'll be writing for a publication or freelancing in one form or another.
Quote: "From whom according to ability, to whom according to need" - Karl Marx
Now, all we need is a little energy, and a lot of luck. - Optimus Prime
Activities: Amnesty International 3,4; Latin Club 1,2,3,4; RHIS Theater 1,2,3,4
Awards: R-Award 2; English Award 1,3; Latin Award 1,2,3; National Merit Finalist 4; Ignatian Honors 1,2,3,4

Colin McFarland "Ox"
Music: Rock
Achievement: Making the world safe for democracy.
Why girls dig me: I'm "tall" and "thick."
Memorable experience: Standing in the middle of Jeff City's stadium and tearing out a piece of turf to take home.
Where would I be in 10 years? Have you seen the Soprano's? That's me except I'm Irish.
Quote: "Confucius says that wise men do not eat yellow snow."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; Go Chicken Go Club 4; Rugby 3,4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3; All District 4

Jeremy McGannon
Peter McGaughey
Bryan McGuire
Evan McKay
Luke McLellan



Kelly McMahon
Andy Metzler
Michael Meyer
Giuliano Mingucci
Mark Molner



This class helped win so many State Championships

Jeremy McGannon "Goose"
Music: Sound of the Beastie Boys.
Why girls dig me: My smile and my 'bad attitude.'
Memorable experience: Trip to Spain.
Hangout: Anywhere near a ping-pong table.
Where would I be in 10 years? Speaking fluent Spanish while working in the world of business.
Quote: "Rockhurst has been a great challenge and it's been fun going through it with my friends here."
Activities: Cross Country 3,4; Track and Field 3,4; Chapel Choir 2,3; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Kairos 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Spain trip 4
Awards: Class Honors 1,2,3,4

Peter McGaughey
Music: Rock
Achievement: Defending Rockhurst from being teeped by the girls of S.T.A.
Why girls dig me: Why not?
Memorable experience: Trip to St. Louis for soccer and football State Championships.
Hangout: Ward Parkway Bowling Alley
Activities: Football 1; Jr. Blues Rugby 1; Intramurals 4
Awards: Second Honors 3,4

Bryan Andrew McGuire "Old Man"
Music: Disco Stu
Achievement: Making music and entertaining the masses.
Memorable experience: Travis Levitt's sudden-death 3-pointer junior year that made The Force the most feared intramural team this side of the Mississippi.
Hangout: Senior's Room 309
Where would I be in 10 years? Saving rock and roll.
Quote: "Self-Unity-On"
Activities: National Honor Society 3,4; Senior Jazz Combo 3,4
Awards: Louis Armstrong Jazz Improvisation Award 3; Class Honors 2,3,4; First Honors 1; All-District Jazz Ensemble 3; Letter 2,3,4

Evan McKay "Evan"
Music: Alternative
Achievement: Qualifying for nationals in foreign extemp.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm sexy.
Memorable experience: See "Achievement."
Hangout: Ekerd Drug Store
Where would I be in 10 years? Making partner in a law firm or moving up in the government.
Quote: "Rock State"
Activities: Debate 1,2,3,4; ProLife Club 3,4; Model UN 3; Greek Club 3,4; SPA 3,4
Awards: R-Award 3; Speech and Communications Award 2,3; National Merit Finalist 4; Ignation Honors 2,3,4

Luke Berghaus McLellan
Music: Blues
Achievement: Returning to Rockhurst High School.
Why girls dig me: I am sensitive to their feelings and needs.
Memorable experience: It probably would be going to St. Louis to watch state soccer and football games.
Hangout: Leewood Park.
Where would I be in 10 years? I think I will probably find myself working as a psychologist at a high school. I most likely will be married and will have a child.
Quote: "Some men are born great, some achieve greatness, and some have greatness thrust upon them." - William Shakespeare.
Activities: Lacrosse 1,2; Pastoral Council 1,2,3,4; SADD 1; Student Council 1,2; Outdoor Club 1; Latin Club 1,2; Flying Club 1,2; MEET 2
Awards: R-Award 1,2; Art Award 1

Kelly McMahon "Crazy"
Music: Rock & Roll
Achievement: Receiving "Nut Squad" player of the week.
Why girls dig me: My bulging biceps, pretty face, and great personality.
Memorable experience: Watching Lennihan doing the R-O-C-K.
Hangout: Torre's Pizza
Where would I be in 10 years? Traveling the world
Quote: "Live it - Love it"

Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Lacrosse 1; Track & Field 2; Rugby 3,4; Go Chicken Go 4; Spirit Club 4;
Awards: Nut Squad Player of the week 4;

Andrew Metzler "Big Sexy Muffin"
Music: Classic rock and roll
Achievement: Winning four straight state Tennis Championships for RHS.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm a result of God's friendship.
Memorable experience: Winning four straight tennis championships ... or maybe just seeing Coach Morris getting nailed in dodgeball.
Hangout: Ward Parkway Bowling Alley and Loose Park.
Where would I be in 10 years? With an extremely beautiful woman who loves grilled cheese.

Quote: "Only two things in this universe are infinite: human stupidity and space ... I'm not sure about the former." - Albert Einstein.
Activities: Tennis 1,2,3,4; Latin Club 1,2; SADD 1; Newspaper 2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4

Mike Meyer "The Dude"
Music: Dance beats
Achievement: At the Blue-White mixer karaoke, when a bead of sweat from Brett Springs' chest landed on my face.
Why girls dig me: I tan weekly and have the skillz to pay da billz, as well as my distinguishing features.

Memorable experience: Seeing Senior Staihr dancing with my homecoming date, while people circled around them.
Hangout: 119th McDonald's
Where would I be in 10 years? A roadie for the international, renowned band Disco Stu

Quote: "Once in a while you get the light in the strongest places if you look at it right." - Robert Hunter "Scarlet Begonias."
Activities: Baseball 3; Football 3; SPA 4; Amnesty International 4; Senior Brothers 4

Giuliano Mingucci "Blah Blah Blah"
Music: Jazz, Metal
Achievement: Recording a full length album.
Why girls dig me: I'm super-cool & in a super-cool band.
Memorable experience: Winning Yahweh Battle of the Bands out of 62 other bands.

Hangout: Harling's Upstairs or The Blue Room.
Where would I be in 10 years? On tour
Quote: "My what? Where?"
Activities: Pep Band 1,2,3; Musical (Pippin) 2; E.C. Jazz Ensemble 1,2,3,4; Chapel Choir 3,4

Awards: Jazz Award 2; District Award 3; Musician's Leadership Award 2

Mark Molner
Music: Jazz/Fusion (Dave Matthews Band)
Why girls dig me: I am nice, outgoing, and relaxed. I try to include everyone and make everybody comfortable.
Memorable experience: Kairos
Hangout: The Grape
Where would I be in 10 years? Medical internship
Quote: "You must start being today what you want to be tomorrow, but remember ... The future is no place to place your better days." - Dave Matthews Band.

Activities: Cross Country 1; Track 1,2,3,4; Drama Club 1,2,3,4; Theater 1,2,4; Debate/Forensics 3,4; Latin Club 1,2; Science Knowledge Bowl 3,4; Math/Engineering Club 3

Awards: National Merit Commended Student 3; President's Scholar 1

Jacob Charles Mooney "Jake"
Music: Classic Rock
Memorable experience: Kairos, Ice Hockey, and being inspired on many occasions by the teachers at Rockhurst.

Activities: Baseball 1; Wrestling 1,2; Lacrosse 3; Ice Hockey 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Regis Club 3,4; Pastoral Council 2,3; Flying Club 3,4;
Awards: R-Award 1; Class Honors 1,2,3,4; Eagle Scout 3;

Greg Moore "Butterfingers"



Jake Mooney
 Greg Moore
 Kevin Moore
 Adam Morgens
 Colin Mulloy

Elliott Mura
 J.K. Neal
 Mike Nelson
 Sam Newby
 Joseph Nguyen

in its time here that it's difficult to keep count

Music: Classic rock
Achievement: During the summer of my senior year I spent eight days helping the less fortunate in El Salvador.
Why girls dig me: The smile
Memorable experience: Working as a ballboy for the Kansas City Royals the last two years and developing friendships with most of the players.
Hangout: Friends' houses
Where would I be in 10 years? Uttering witty dialogue on 'Sportscenter' at 6:30 on weekdays and covering sporting events around the world on the weekends.
Quote: "What I am to be, I am becoming." - Finis Quine Erimus.
Activities: Intramural Basketball 1; Intramural Volleyball 2; Intramural Football 4; Spirit Club 1,2,3,4; Newspaper 3,4; Kairos 4
Awards: First Honors 2; Second Honors 1,3,4
Kevin Moore "The Most," "Motherboard"
Music: Wrestling Themes.
Achievement: Tattle-tailing.
Memorable experience: Nid-tapping
Hangout: 8th Hour
Where would I be in 10 years? Working blue-collar.
Quote: "Don't get off the boat, unless you're going all the way."
Activities: Soccer 1; Track 1,2; Art Club 4; Superfriends 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4
Adam Morgens "Larry"
Music: Jazz
Achievement: Surviving Mr. Griffin's senior English class.
Why girls dig me: Because of my free throw shooting ability.
Memorable experience: Visiting the Greece with a group of kids from Duke

University.
Hangout: Tim Sady's house in Blue Springs.
Where would I be in 10 years? Nowhere near the Midwest.
Quote: "No man is an island, but I am a very long peninsula." - This is in tribute to Mr. Pateid's graduating quote.
Activities: Lacrosse 2; Regis Club 2,3,4; Senior Brother 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Student Success Center 4
Awards: Award of 'Cum Laude' on the National Latin Exam 3
Colin Mulloy
Music: Very eclectic taste
Memorable experience: All of the football games, in the stands, cheering.
Hangout: Anywhere my friends happen to be.
Where would I be in 10 years? Serving my country and my fellow man the best way I know how.
Quote: Going from immature adolescent to mature, caring adult.
Activities: Latin Club 1,2; Go Chicken Go 4;
Awards: 2nd Honors 1,2,3,4;
Elliott Mura "Danny White"
Music: The funky fresh sounds of Slanted Plant.
Achievement: Meeting Mr. Bascom.
Why girls dig me: Because I know Adam Young.
Memorable experience: When Mr. Gartner hit his head on the 'TV' in Freshmen English.
Hangout: Bascom's house.
Where would I be in 10 years? Following The Bomb Squad and Slanted Plant on their World Tour.
Quote: "At first it was about a revolution . . . now it's just about hurting people."
Activities: Football 1; Intramural Basketball 1,2; Intramural Volleyball 2,4; Debate/Forensics 1,3,4; Drama Club 2,3; National Honor Society 3; Book of the Month Club 3,4; Film/Video Club 3,4; Classics Club 1,2,3
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3
J.K. Neal
Music: My own
Achievement: Graduating
Why girls dig me: I know Adam Young.
Memorable experience: Being slapped by the security guard.
Hangout: Loose Park.
Where would I be in 10 years? Tebet
Quote: "I'm lucky to have parents smart enough to send me here."
Activities: Outdoor Club 1,2,3;
Mike Nelson "Nelly"
Music: variety - Rap, classic rock, alternative
Achievement: Honors every semester for 4 years.
Why girls dig me: I didn't know they did.
Memorable experience: Trip to Spain in the summer of 1999.
Hangout: Double Dragon
Where would I be in 10 years? Graduated from college, working in computer management.
Quote: "Very exciting; an experience everyone should take part in."
Activities: Kairos 1; Intramural Basketball 4; Intramural Volleyball 1;
Awards: 2nd Honors 1,2,3,4;
Joseph Nguyen
Music: Techno or Ghetto rap
Achievement: getting an "A" in Physics class.
Why girls dig me: Girls can't stay away from a fine Asian lover.
Memorable experience: New Years eve at the end of the millennium.
Hangout: the Max
Where would I be in 10 years? When my people take over the world, I'll be their King.
Quote: "Dip-dip dive, so-so-socialize. Open your ears and clean out your eyes. If you learn to love you're in for a surprise, it could be nice to be alive." - Beastie Boys.
Activities: Football 1,2; Track and Field 2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; French Club 3,4; Ecology Club 3; National Honor Society 3,4; Student Ambassador 2,3,4
Awards: Class Honors 1,2,3,4



Photo by Duann Charapara

The Class of 2000 gathers for its last Awards Assembly..

Justin Noonan
Chris O'Boynick
Joe O'Connor
Joe Orscheln
Ryan Osgood



Jeff Otto
Sean Owens
Greg Owsley
Pablo Palmeri
Greg Parks



The Rockhurst Class of 2000 can boast of many

Justin Noonan "Jaundice"
Music: Classic Rock
Achievement: Graduating.
Memorable experience: Kairos.
Hangout: The park.
Where would I be in 10 years? A retired multimillionaire.
Quote: "I done good."
Activities: Cross Country 1; Intramural 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 3; Ultimate Frisbee Club 3,4; Senior Brother 4; Kairos 4; Blood Drive 3
Chris O'Boynick "O'Dog"
Music: Rap
Achievement: Being able to say Rockhurst is easy.
Why girls dig me: My name is O'Dog.
Memorable experience: The success of the first Go-Chicken-Go day.
Hangout: Basketball courts in K.C.K.
Where would I be in 10 years? Way out of Kansas.
Quote: "Life moves pretty fast, if you don't stop and look around sometime, you could miss it."
Activities: Basketball 1,2,3; National Honor Society 3,4; Regis Club 2,3,4; MLEET 1,2,3,4; Science Knowledge Bowl 3,4; Go-Chicken-Go Club 4
Awards: Class Honors 3,4; First Honors 1,2
Joe O'Connor "Bear"
Music: Rock and Roll
Achievement: First Team All-Metro (Football).
Why girls dig me: My ghetto booty.
Memorable experience: State-semifinal game vs. Jeff City
Hangout: Kauffman Stadium
Where would I be in 10 years? A lawyer
Quote: "Always keep the faith."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3; Basketball 1; Go Chicken Go Clubs 4; Spirit Club 3,4
Awards: Second Team All-State (Football) 4; First Team All-Metro (Football) 4; First Team All-District (Football) 4; Second Team Metro Sports (Football) 4; MO-KAN All-Star Game (Football) 4
Joe Orscheln
Music: Trippy donk melodies
Achievement: Surviving all four years and actually getting into a university.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm larger than life.
Memorable experience: When we organized the rebellious movement against the "new cheer" policies in Stage Design and that evening seeing the crowd at the soccer game against Aquinas dressed in suits and ties. Metro Sports called us the most intelligent, respectful and most organized cheering section.
Hangout: The ranch.
Where would I be in 10 years? Living in Porto's bunkhouse with the sacred chief and the always godly Doc cooking me Bratz.
Quote: "I'd rather live 1 year as a tiger than 100 years as a sheep"
Activities: Soccer 1; Track 1; Rocktest 3; Student Ambassador 2,3,4; Senior Brother 4; Ultimate Frisbee 4; Intramurals 3,4
Awards: Magis 2,3,4
Ryan Osgood
Music: Adult contemporary
Achievement: Alienating myself from nearly every student in the school.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm a rockstar.
Memorable experience: Freshmen year the rest is just a haze.
Hangout: The Max.
Where would I be in 10 years? Flying planes at Miramar.
Activities: Tennis 1,2,3,4; Intramural sports 1,2,3,4; Art Club 1,2; National Honor Society 3,4; Pastoral Council 3,4; Battle of the Bands 2,3,4
Awards: National Merit Finalist 4; First Honors 1,2,3,4
Jeff Otto "Machine"
Music: Rock and Roll
Achievement: Making it to state in Track and Football.
Why girls dig me: My physique
Memorable experience: Students beating the faculty during Mission Week.
Hangout: At my friends' house.
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere far away.

Quote: "There's no place like Rockhurst."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Yearbook Staff 3; Ecology Club 3; SADD 3
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4; Physical Education Award 3
Greg Owsley
Music: Beatles
Achievement: Convincing the administration to allow chess club members to receive letters.
Why girls dig me: Because I can think ten moves ahead.
Memorable experience: Kairos
Hangout: My house.
Where would I be in 10 years? Pursuing groundbreaking research dealing with artificial intelligence.
Quote: "An experience like this burns something into your heart and soul that ten to twenty years from now you will never forget. It forms you for whatever choices you make in the future."
Activities: Football 1; Chess Club 1,2,3,4; Science Knowledge Bowl 1,2,3,4; Flying Club 2,3,4
Awards: R-Award 3; Who's Who Among American High School
Pablo Palmeri
Music: Rock
Achievement: Starting the Honduran doughnut society and receiving the "R" award.
Why girls dig me: Are you wanting this to be dirty...?
Memorable experience: When I broke my leg freshman year.
Hangout: My house.
Where would I be in 10 years? Working as a vet in the Kansas City Zoo or the San Diego Zoo.
Quote: "Hard work may pay off later, but procrastination pays off now."
Activities: Chapel Choir 2,3; Chess 2,3,4; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Ecology club 1; Honduran Doughnut Society 3,4
Awards: "R" Award 3; Chess Letter 3; Choir Letter 2
Rhett Parsons "Rhetarded"
Music: Rock
Achievement: Kidnapping John O'Connor (Jr.) and taping him naked to a pole.
Why girls dig me: Because I know what a girl wants and I know what a girl needs.
Memorable experience: State football senior year.
Where would I be in 10 years? Who knows.
Quote: "Life moves pretty fast, if you don't stop to look around once in a while, you could miss it" - Ferris Buhler.
Activities: Basketball 1,2,3; Football 1,2,3,4; Spirit Club 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Yell Leader 3,4; Senior Brother 4; Kairos 3,4; Debate & Forensics 1
Awards: 2nd Honors 1,2,3,4
Steven Phelps "Nookiemonster"
Music: Phish, Widespread Panic
Achievement: Lifting weights everyday so that I had the greatest body.
Why girls dig me: My house and excessive amount of hot tubs.
Memorable experience: Rushing the field after beating Blue Springs in playoffs my freshman year.
Hangout: Party Cove, Lake of the Ozarks
Where would I be in 10 years? Backpacking across a foreign country such as Australia
Quote: "I am a star, I am a bright shiny star. Oh yeah." - Dirk Diggler, Boogie Nights.
Activities: Track 2; Football 2; Ultimate Frisbee Club 2; Student Ambassador 1; Intramural Basketball 4; Rock Fest Committee 2
Josh Polsinelli "Mickey"
Music: Anything
Achievement: making the golf team freshman year.
Why girls dig me: I went to Frank T.J. Mackey's "Seduce and Destroy" Seminar.
Memorable experience: Ned Eddy's commentary at the student vs. faculty basketball game freshman year.
Hangout: Tim's Quantum
Where would I be in 10 years? Struggling with my golf game on the Hooter's Tour.



Rhett Parsons
Will Petrie
Steven Phelps
Josh Polsinelli
Thomas Porto

Bradley Reed
Jeremy Rieck
Mark Riesmeyer
David Riffel
Rich Robinson

state and national awards in speech and debate

Quote: "When you have gone so far that you can't manage one more step, then you've gone just half the distance that your capable of."
Activities: Golf 1,2,3,4; Football 1; National Honor Society 3,4; Photography 2,3,4; Latin Club 1,2; Science Knowledge Bowl 2,3,4
Awards: AP Scholar 3; National Merit Commended Student 3; First Honors 1,2,3; Class Honors 4; Perfect Attendance 3
Tom Porto "Rocket," "Maveric"
Music: Disco/Stu
Achievement: Fighting communism.
Why girls dig me: Because I hang out with Corey Egan's dad.
Memorable experience: Wearing original Jordan's at state.
Hangout: Lucky Strike Bowling Lanes.
Where would I be in 10 years? Working at a steel mill.
Quote: "In the end, nobody wins unless everybody wins" - Bruce Springsteen
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Track 3; Latin Club 1,2; Spirit Club 4; Senior Brother 4
Bradley Reed
Music: Classic rock, alternative, rock
Achievement: Graduating from Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: I don't know, but I can't help it.
Memorable experience: Kairos.
Hangout: Ranchmart.
Where would I be in 10 years? Out of school and making a lot of money.
Quote: "For every moment of our lives, is the beginning." - Children of Eden.
Activities: Drama Club 1,2,3,4; Studio Theater Council 4; Film/Video Club 3,4; Regis Club 3,4; TIE 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4
Mark Riesmeyer "The Ries"
Music: The Ries can get down to anything.
Achievement: Something Special's 2000 Intramural Basketball Championship.
Why girls dig me: Until you see how "The Ries" operates, you can't understand.
Memorable experience: State football and soccer in St. Louis senior year.
Hangout: The Max.

Where would I be in 10 years? I will have moved into my parents' attic - Freedom finally!
Quote: "They say I'm lazy but it takes all my time." - Joe Walsh.
Activities: Tennis 3; National Honor Society 3,4; Rock Collection 3,4; Kairos 4; Senior Brother 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Jr. Blues Rugby 4
Awards: Presidential Scholarship 1; Class Honors 3,4; First Honors 1,2; National Merit Scholar Commended 3
David Riffel "Riffel"
Music: Classic Rock
Achievement: Being cast in *Twelfth Night*.
Why girls dig me: I don't know.
Memorable experience: Doing the Shakespeare festival last summer.
Hangout: The Rose Theater.
Where would I be in 10 years? Married with a steady job.
Quote: "You maybe right, but I am not wrong."
Activities: Soccer 1; Swimming 1; Intramurals 1,2; Science Knowledge Bowl 1; Debate and Forensics team 1; National Honor Society 3,4; Drama Club 2,3,4; Senior Brother 4
Awards: "B" Award 3; Drama Letter 2,3; Eagle Scout 1;
Rich Robinson "Rich"
Music: Rock
Achievement: Ninth place finish on 200 free relay at swimming state championship.
Why girls dig me: My colorful personality.
Memorable experience: Swimming at the state championship meet.
Hangout: Room 301.
Where would I be in 10 years? A doctor.
Quote: "How 'bout these Royals! Go Big Blue."
Activities: Swimming 1,2,3,4; Latin Club 1,2,3; National Honor Society 3,4
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4



Photo by Dan Heyer

In their final moments as Rockhurst students, seniors line up to enter Municipal Auditorium for their Graduation Ceremony.

Paul Rohrer
William Ronan
Michael Rosewell
John Ruzicka
Roland Sabates



Tim Sady
Ryan Sands
James Scanlon
Andrew Scianna
Matthew Scott



There won't be another Rockhurst High School

Paul Rohrer "Stone Cold 3:16", "The Authority", "UPS"
Music: Jimmy Buffet
Achievement: Being part of the only student team that has beaten the faculty.
Memorable experience: Shutting out Jeff City in the semifinals and playing in the state championship game at the TWA Dome.
Hangout: McClusky's - food and Super Smash Bros.
Where would I be in 10 years? Margaritaville.
Quote: "The strength of a man's character is defined by what it takes to stop him." - Coach Severino.
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Student Ambassador 3,4; Senior Brother 4; Spanish Club 1,2; Outdoors Club 1,2; T.L.E. Program 3,4; Kairos 28,4; Regis Club 3,4
Awards: First Honors 1,2,3,4; 1000 pound club 4; MVP against Liberty in the quarterfinals 4
Willie Ronan "Willis"
Music: Ronan on Tape
Achievement: Getting to State in football.
Why girls dig me: I have yellow hair!
Memorable experience: State Semi-Final game against Jeff City—Payback is a Bi—h
Hangout: McDonald's on 119th and Roe.
Where would I be in 10 years? Lying in a tanning bed.
Quote: "I took the road less traveled by, and that has made all the difference."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2,3; Track 1; Student Ambassador 3,4; Senior Brother 4; National Honor Society 3,4; Go Chicken Go Club 4; Golf Club 4; Regis Club 3,4; SADD 4;
Awards: Xavier Service Book Award 3; Who's Who among High School Students 3,4; Class Honors 2,3,4; First Honors 1
Mike Rosewell "Rosey"
Music: Rock

Achievement: Graduating.
Why girls dig me: My body.
Memorable experience: Senior Service Project.
Hangout: Girlfriend's house.
Where would I be in 10 years? In medical school or just getting out.
Quote: "There are no failures in life, only people who give up too soon"
Activities: Tennis 3; Hockey 4; Wrestling 1
Awards: Honor Roll 4
John Ruzicka
Music: Hip-hop Jazz
Why girls dig me: Porque soy suavissimo.
Memorable experience: Coach Wikiera's class.
Where would I be in 10 years? Who knows?
Quote: "...I was tha fly- rhyme sayin', b-ball playin', fly-girl gettin', ain't never was! sweatin'..."
Activities: Basketball; 1,2; Track; 1
Awards: Honors: 1,2,3,4
Roland Sabates "Rols"
Music: Elevator
Achievement: Swimming the English Channel.
Why girls dig me: My scar
Memorable experience: Coach Griffin's in-class essays.
Hangout: Hentzen's basement.
Where would I be in 10 years? Filthy rich in Utah with five wives / Undecided.
Quote: "There have been many teachers that have helped me out in my Rockhurst career."
Activities: Track & Field 1,2; Football 1,2,3; Speech & Debate 1,2
Awards: First Honors 3; Second Honors 1,2,4
Tim Sady "Tim"
Music: Industrial techno hip-hop



Seniors hoot it up at a football pep rally.



Johnathan Shannon
 Brandon Shelby
 Edward Shelton
 Brian Siegel
 Brandon Sifers

Peter Simone
 Jerry Sirna
 Al Smith
 Matt Smith
 Lance Snodgrass

millennium class for a thousand more years!

Achievement: Invention of sliced bread.
Why girls dig me: I know what "Sha Cho Cao" means.
Memorable experience: When I flew to the moon on Apollo 22.
Hangout: Under the boardwalk.
Where would I be in 10 years? On trial for attempting to take over the world, or fraud.
Quote: "High-fructose corn syrup will be the means of your destruction."
Activities: Cross Country 1; Math Club 1,2,3,4; Science Knowledge Bowl 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; SPA 3,4
Awards: Math Department Award 1,2,3; Gary Batz Memorial Math Award 3; C.C. School of Mines Medal of Achievement 3; National Merit Commended Student 4; AP Scholar 3; Class Honors 1,2,3,4

Andrew Scilanna "Drew"
Music: Christian alternative
Achievement: Finishing the MSISO Bike Ride in eight hours.
Why girls dig me: Because women love hot Italians.
Memorable experience: Senior Service Project; Andy Metzler getting someone fired, Patrick Adie's hair, and having a chair war with Andy Metzler, David Hayob, and Max Ernst.
Hangout: Youth Group House.
Where would I be in 10 years? I will be a lawyer. In what city? I do not yet know.
Quote: "It was only two years, but it was the best high school I attended."
Activities: Soccer 3; Golf 3; Debate 4; Fight Club 2; Fellowship of Christian Athletes 2,4; Interact Community Service Organization 3; Youth Group Leadership Team 1,2,3,4
Awards: Who's Who Among High School Students 2,3; Varsity Letters 3

Matthew W. Scott "Dirty"
Music: Jam Band
Why girls dig me: I have a smooth ride.
Memorable experience: When Jamie Elder totaled the Jeep Wrangler.
Hangout: Jake Hildebrand's house.
Where would I be in 10 years? At a Phish show just living the life.
Quote: "Long road in a short time."
Activities: Football 1,2; Spanish Club 3
Brandon Shelby "Shelby"
Music: R&B, Rap
Achievement: Going to the State Championship, making it through Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: Because of my good hair, and I know how to treat the ladies. In addition, I can sing.
Memorable experience: Going to State and winning the Simone Award.
Hangout: Movies, bowling, and sitting over at someone's house and talking about the good old days.
Where would I be in 10 years? Owning my own business.
Quote: "To whom much is given, much is expected."
Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; MEET 1,2,3,4
Awards: R-Award 2; All-State/Metro 3,4; Simone Award 4; KMRZ Player of the Year 4; All District 3,4

Edward Shelton "The Reverend"
Music: Christian Contemporary
Achievement: Getting in, through, and exiting Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: Chicks dig God.
Memorable experience: My sophomore year at State Chess. When they placed the medal on me, I had an overwhelming sense of peace.
Hangout: Chess Room.
Where would I be in 10 years? I will be what God needs me to be at this or any time: His servant.
Quote: It's not me, but God that flows through me. That gives me my ability.
Activities: Speech&Debate: 2,3,4; Art & Publicity: 3; Chess Club: 1,2,3,4; MEET: 1,2,3,4
Awards: White Letter: 2; R-award: 2,3

Brandon Sifers "Siledog"
Music: 80's rock
Achievement: Graduating with first honors.
Why girls dig me: The red hair
Memorable experience: Beating Jeff City 3-4-0

Hangout: The gym.
Where would I be in 10 years? Who knows, but hopefully by the beach.
Quote: "Live life to its fullest because four years will fly by."
Activities: Basketball 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Rockfest 1,2,3,4; Ambassadors 3,4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4
Awards: R-Award 3; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Magis Award 1,2,3,4

Peter Simone "Vladimir the Impulse"
Music: Actually, I enjoy an eclectic group of music including rock, oldies, classical, alternative, etc, but I mostly enjoy Pure Moods, a little Yanni, and lots of Kenny G. My favorite song is Killer Tofu from Doug, a really great cartoon.
Achievement: Being a ventriloquist; "Da doy dot da dasketdall." Come on, it's Doug. (Seriously, it's probably playing guitar and composing music).
Why girls dig me: I think that it is fairly obvious why.
Memorable experience: Obviously, it was when Mr. Gartner hit his head on the TV my freshmen year. (Seriously, that is my most memorable experience).
Hangout: The Honker Burger, you know, from Doug. Come on, that was a great show.
Where would I be in 10 years? Possibly Mongolia.
Quote: "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times... it was the spring of hope, it was the winter of despair..." - Charles Dickens.
Activities: Book of the Month Club 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Chess Club 3; Science Knowledge Bowl 4; Battle of the Bands 1,2
Awards: Ignation Honors 1,2,3,4; Top Junior Chemistry Student 3; Top Spanish Student 2,3; National Merit Semifinalist 4

Jerry Sirna
Music: Funk
Achievement: Qualifying for the NFL National Tournament as a novice LD debater my senior year.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm honest, sincere, fun, and a pretty smooth talker.
Memorable experience: The trip to St. Louis this year for the state championship football game.
Hangout: At school: either the SGA Office or the Admissions Office.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully out of school and out of debt. Probably working at an established law firm or on the house floor in Jefferson City.
Quote: "The difficult I can do immediately, the impossible takes me a bit longer" - US Army Corps of Engineers motto.
Activities: Jr. Blues Rugby 4; Regis Club 1,2,3,4; SPA 3,4; SGA 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Debate/Forensics 1,2,3,4; Music 1,2; Student Ambassador 3,4; Racquetball 3,4; Book of the Month 3,4; Pro Life Club 3,4
Awards: R-Award 1,3; Communication Dept. Award of Excellence 1

Al Smith
Music: Beatles
Achievement: C40 championships.
Why girls dig me: My impeccable good looks.
Memorable experience: Soccer state championships '98.
Hangout: WP Lanes.
Where would I be in 10 years? Kansas City.
Quote: "If A equals success, then the formula is: A=X+Y+Z. X is work. Y is play. Z is keep your mouth shut." - Albert Einstein.
Activities: Basketball 1; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Science Knowledge Bowl 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Kairos 4; Senior Brother 4.
Awards: Biology Award 2; Class Honors 1,2,3,4; National Merit Finalist 4.

Lance Snodgrass "Snod"
Music: R&B
Achievement: Winning State in soccer twice.
Why girls dig me: My eyes and smile.
Memorable experience: Game winning assist to Joe Burns in 99' State soccer final.
Hangout: Friend's houses.
Where would I be in 10 years? An accountant for a big business in Florida living in a huge beach house.
Quote: "Don't be anything you're not. Find something you're good at and stick with it. It's your life, not theirs!"
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Tennis 1,2,3; Track 4

Cooper Sparks
Bret Springs
Matthew Stabler
Robert Stokes
Michael Strain



Corey Swope
Jeffrey Tanner
Craig Temple
Blair Thedinger
Patrick Thomas



The Class of 2000 will scatter to all ends of the

Samuel Cooper Sparks "Coop Dogg"
Music: Something that pumps blood through my veins.
Achievement: Acceptance of life's inadequacies and "imperfections".
Why girls dig me: I am compassionate, emotional, understanding, commiserative and suave. Also, good looking.
Memorable experience: Anytime I "complete" a spiritually enhancing, encompassing piece.
Hangout: My room--that's where all the cool stuff resides. Anywhere with my girlfriend.
Where would I be in 10 years? Living in a cardboard box-free of life's restrictions and pains. No bills, no food, no clothing, few worries, close to the ground. Myself and my beliefs. Freedom through poverty.
Quote: "Left to myself, I rely on my intoxication with work....and then I let myself go without limits." - Vincent Van Gogh.
Activities: Soccer 1,2; Rugby 3,4; Art Club 2; Club Ride 4; Rock Collection 3; Book of the Month Club 3,4
Awards: R-Award 3; Scholastic Art Competition "Silver Key" 3; Perfect Attendance 1; Second Honor Roll 1,2
Robert Stokes 'Bob', 'The Terminator', and, unfortunately, 'Strokes'
Music: Classical
Achievement: Surviving Dr. Campisano's Honors Physics Class.
Why girls dig me: I'm witty, charming and beautiful.

Memorable experience: Watching Phil Murphy try to wrestle.
Hangout: Tim Laird's house.
Where would I be in 10 years? Naval Officer with a Ph.D in Engineering.
Quote: "You have exceeded your talking quota."
Activities: Football 1,2; Wrestling 1,2,3; Lacrosse 2,3,4; Chess Club 1,2,4
Mike Strain "Senator"
Music: Anything
Achievement: Raising over \$20,000 for the Jesuit Missions Senior year.
Why girls dig me: Because I go to Rockhurst.
Memorable experience: Kairos.
Hangout: The bowling alley.
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere.
Quote: "Lord, teach me to be generous."
Activities: Varsity Soccer 2,3,4; Football 9;
Corey Swope "Swopey"
Music: Jazz
Achievement: Becoming an Eagle Scout.
Why girls dig me: My sense of humor.
Memorable experience: Kairos.
Hangout: Plaza.
Where would I be in 10 years? Working for a computer company.



Photo by Ryan Fagan

Senior Eddie Welsh poses with prom date before being introduced at pre-prom.



Senior Mike Strain provides water for Pontius Pilate portrayed by senior Josh Williams in a skit during a Holy Week liturgy.



Zach Thomas
Thomas Thornhill
Michael Tiehen
William Tracy
Truss Tyson

Tony Vontz
Brian Wall
Kevin Ward
Edward Welsh
Jesse White

country for the next phase of their education

Quote: "You can accomplish anything you put your mind to."
Activities: Spanish Club 1,4; Photography Club 1,2; SADD 3,4
Awards: First Honors 3,4; Second Honors 1,2

Jeff Tanner "Tanner"
Music: Anything goes.

Achievement: They are all equally great in perspective.
Why girls dig me: I'm still wondering that same question.
Memorable experience: Winning State Soccer Championship twice.

Hangout: With my best buds.

Where would I be in 10 years? Probably still in school.

Quote: "Through failing I learned the greatest, and through succeeding I found true joy."

Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Wrestling 1; Intramural Basketball 2,3; FCA 3,4; Spanish Club 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4
Awards: Class Honors 3,4

Craig Temple

Music: Anything by Skid Row; Sean and Bach's esteemed legend.

Achievement: Living up to my own and my peers' esteemed motto: "Men For Others."

Why girls dig me: Because I never use foul language.

Memorable experience: Ms. Flack's anti-smoking propaganda in Ms. Mulvihill's class sophomore year.

Hangout: Deer Ridge Swimming Pool.

Where would I be in 10 years? Scottsdale, Arizona practicing orthopedic surgery.

Quote: "That which won't kill me will make me stronger."

Activities: Track & Field 2; Flying Club 2; Spanish Club 3

Awards: Kairos Team Leader 4; Second Honors 3

Blair Thedinger

Music: U2

Achievement: Starting the recycling program.

Why girls dig me: They don't.

Memorable experience: Spain trip or NOLS trip.

Hangout: My basement.

Where would I be in 10 years? A doctor in a foreign country.

Quote: "That weasel snagged the bee!" - IU 11

Activities: Cross Country 1; Lacrosse 1,2,3; Band 1,2; Frisbee Club 3,4; Recycling Program 4

Awards: Recognized by Bridging the Gap 4; Class Honors 4

Patrick Thomas "PT"

Music: Classic Rock

Achievement: Completing this pointless form.

Why girls dig me: I'm a rockstar.

Where would I be in 10 years? On tour with my band.

Quote: "Somewhere it's 4:20."

Activities: Lacrosse 1,2,3; Latin Club 1,2; Science Club 1,2,3,4; Amnesty International 1,2,3,4; Young Republicans 1,3

Awards: First Honors 1,4; Second Honors 2,3

Zach Thomas "QJ"

Music: Anything - Bare Naked Ladies (Brian Wilson).

Achievement: Not getting caught while cheating.

Why girls dig me: Because I'm Indian.

Memorable experience: The football games (the Rock at BS junior year & state).

Hangout: Olathe.

Where would I be in 10 years? Working at 7-Eleven while paying for med school.

Quote: "You only put out what you put in. P.S. Get a job."

Activities: Football 1; Intramurals 1,2,3,4; Speech & Debate 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Science Club 2,3,4; Spanish Club 1,2,3,4; Stuco 1,3,4; SPA 4,4; SADD 1,2,3

Awards: Speech & Debate national qualification; 3,4; R-award 1,3,4; Ignatian Honors 3,4; 1st honors 2; 2nd Honors 1; National Merit Commendation 4; National Forensics League Annual All-American

Ed Thornhill

Music: Classic rock

Achievement: Graduation.

Memorable experience: Canoeing trip in the summer after junior year.

Hangout: Lawrence, KS.

Activities: Tech Theater 4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4

Mike Tiehen "Tee"

Music: Johnny Harton

Achievement: Going to state after beating Jeff-City 34-0.

Why girls dig me: Because I hang out with Chris Dukes.

Memorable experience: Walking into the TWA Dome at state.

Hangout: Porto's basement

Where would I be in 10 years? Owner of Tiehen Lawn Service Cooperation.

Activities: Football 4; Track 3; Swimming 2; Spirit Club 2; Student Ambassador 3

Awards: Team Captain (Football) 4

Truss Tyson "Truss"

Music: Classic Rock

Achievement: Passing Mr. Warner's chemistry class.

Why girls dig me: I have a truck.

Memorable experience: Football games.

Hangout: McDonald's.

Where would I be in 10 years? College.

Activities: Football 1; Lacrosse 1,2; Go Chicken Go 4; Chapel Choir 1,2;

Awards: 2nd Honors 1,2,3; 1st Honors 4

Tony Vontz "chest", "Rockwell"

Music: Widespread Panic, Jeff Buckley, Maceo Parker.

Achievement: Representing under 19 National Rugby Team.

Why girls dig me: Because there is no shame in my game.

Memorable experience: Slaying the dragon and evil trolls of the Scorer's 4th mythical Realm/great achievement while a member of Magic The Gathering Club.

Hangout: Aladdin's Castle.

Where would I be in 10 years? Designing role playing games and implementing my revolutionary 162 sided Dungeons and Dragons dice, role playing system.

Quote: "One equal temper of heroic hearts, made weak by time and fate, but strong in will. To strive, to seek, to find and not to yield." Alfred Lord Tennyson from poem "Ulysses."

Activities: Rugby 2,3,4; Drama club 1,2; Ecology club 1,2,3; Spirit club 4;

Awards: High school All American Rugby Player 3,4; USA Under 19 National team member which played at the World Cup 4;

Brian Wall

Memorable experience: Going to all of the football games.

Hangout: Bowling alley.

Quote: "Live the moment."

Activities: Baseball 1,2,3,4; Rock Collection 3; Go Chicken Go 4; Intramurals 1,2,3,4

Kevin Ward "Wardo", "K. Ward", "Giggles", "Leonardo DiCaprio"

Music: Rock, classic rock, and rap.

Achievement: Winning state back to back, and passing chemistry.

Why girls dig me: Because of my bulging biceps and awesome personality.

Memorable experience: Kairos and Cancun.

Hangout: Club Cabaret and The Peach Pit.

Where would I be in 10 years? Owning a very successful business, and living in Florida or being an agent for a professional athlete.

Quote: "What a legend."

Activities: Golf 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club 1

Awards: All State Golf 3,4; All Metro Honorable Mention 3,4

Eddie Welsh "Bleddie"

Music: Rap, rock and roll and New Kids on the Block.

Achievement: Beating Jeff Dobbie in wrestling.

Why girls dig me: Could you say no to this face.

Memorable experience: State championship game-football senior year.

Hangout: Wilson's third basement.

Where would I be in 10 years? Working for Deffenbaugh.

Quote: "Life is a coin. You can spend it any ways you wish, but you can spend it only once."

Activities: Football 1,2,3,4; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; Golf 2,3,4; Track and Field (Shot/Disc) 1; Latin Club 1,2; Spirit Club 1,2,3,4; Student Ambassador 1,2,3,4; Senior Brother 4; Rockfest Committee 1,2,3,4

Awards: First Honors 4; Second Honors 1,2,3

Ryan White
Timothy Wientzen
Chris Wiggins
Joshua Williams
Nicholas Williamson



Geoffrey Wilson
Kirk Wood
Jason Woods
Brandon Yano
Adam Young



Seniors for just a year; Class of 2000 forever

Ryan White "Y-T"

Music: Rock 'n' Roll
Achievement: Winning battle of the bands and best guitarist.
Why girls dig me: I'm a funny guy.
Memorable experience: Having the best looking date at my junior homecoming.
Hangout: B.B.'s Lawnside Bar-b-que.
Where would I be in 10 years? Playing guitar on a European/Asian tour.
Quote: "The dilly of the punk is all up to the junk, however, it's all about the funk. Funkdillyuptous, chillin on the upside of the down low."
Activities: Football 1,2; Pep Band 1,2;
Tim Wientzen "Timbo," "T-Bone"
Music: Punk Rock/Rock "n Roll
Achievement: Scoring an A+ (1155%) on Dr. Campisano's physics final.
Why girls dig me: Because I treat them poorly and act like I'm better than them.
Memorable experience: The time the water main broke and we went to Peter McGaughey's house to eat, drink, and be merry.
Hangout: Taco Via, Ward Parkway Lanes.
Quote: "Life moves pretty fast. If you don't stop and look around once in a while, you could miss it." - Ferris Bueller.
Activities: Rock Collection 2,3,4; Ultimate Frisbee Club 3,4; Newspaper 3,4;
Amnesty International 4; Amigos de Las Americas 3; Book of the Month Club 3,4
Awards: R-Award 2,3; Presidential Student Service Award 4; Class Honors 4; First Honors 1,2,3; Fourth place in Battle of the Bands, 3

Christopher Wiggins "Chris"

Music: Classic Rock
Achievement: Becoming a scholar of Saint Ignatius Loyola.
Why girls dig me: Because I have nice cars, mobile phones, and credit cards.
Memorable experience: Listening to Elizabeth Dole talk to Rockhurst during the presidential elections of 1996.
Hangout: Student Government Office and the Jesuit Residence.
Where would I be in 10 years? Earning a doctorate degree.
Quote: "There is no place in the world I would have rather been the last 4 years."
Activities: Football 1; Intramural Basketball 1,2,3; Student Government Assistant 4; Film and Video Club 3,4; Drama Club 2,3,4; Flying Club 1,2,3,4; Spanish Club



Seniors Peter McGaughey, Ryan Cesla, Peter Mancina, Tim Wientzen, Blair Thedinger and Dan Kellerman, among others watch the dancing at the Mom Prom.

1,2,3,4; Kairos 4; Kairos Team Leader 4

Awards: R-Award 2
Josh Williams
Music: Classic Rock
Achievement: Getting through Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: My personality.
Memorable experience: Winning state soccer two years in a row.
Hangout: McDonald's parking lot on 119th and Roe.
Where would I be in 10 years? Traveling the World.
Quote: "The Rock is the best thing I have ever done."
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Go Chicken Go Club 4
Nick Williamson "Pimpsqueak"
Music: Rock, Rap, Bazaya
Achievement: Graduating from Rockhurst.
Why girls dig me: Nice teeth, dimples, and overall studmuffin.
Memorable experience: HPC, Colorado and Michigan.
Hangout: Winsteads and St. Lukes Hospital.
Where would I be in 10 years? Retired, rich, and happily married.
Quote: "Difficulty is the essence of simplicity."
Activities: Fall Play 1,3; Spring Musical; Spanish Club 4; Pro-Life Club 4; SADD 4
Awards: Honor Roll 2,3,4

Geoff Wilson "Ray"

Music: Techno dance mixes.
Achievement: Getting an A+ on my Physics final.
Why girls dig me: I'm incredible at everything.
Memorable experience: Playing "Enter Sandman" with Disco Stu.
Hangout: Mugshot's
Where would I be in 10 years? At Mugshot's
Quote: "What's more ridiculous? Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles or kids killing kids?" - Brian McGuire.
Activities: Swimming 1,2,3,4; Golf 3; Basketball 1,4; Football 1,2; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Ultimate Frisbee 2,3,4; Debate 1; Go Chicken Go Club 4
Awards: Second Honors 1,2,3,4

Kirk Wood "Woody"

Music: Anything.
Achievement: Winning three state championships on the golf team.
Why girls dig me: Because I have my own bowling ball and a nice pair of all white bowling shoes. Also because I know Mike Griffin. They can't resist.
Memorable experience: The cheers at the football games all four years.
Hangout: Ward Parkway Bowling Alley.
Where would I be in 10 years? Somewhere enjoying life.
Quote: "Long and hard, yet I wouldn't change it for the world."
Activities: Basketball 1; Golf 1,2,3,4; Rockfest Committee: 1,2,3,4; Kairos #25&26; Intramurals: 1,2,3,4; Senior Brother: 4;
Awards: Golf All-Metro 1st team:2; All-State Golf:2; Captain (golf):2,3,4; Second Honors:1,2,3,4

Jason Woods "J. Woods"

Music: Rap
Achievement: Winning state in soccer back-to-back.
Why girls dig me: I have some of the greatest conversations. My mack is strong.
Hangout: Chilling with my ol' lady.
Where would I be in 10 years? Hopefully in my internship in orthopedics.
Quote: "O'Boynick, let me holla at you for a minute."
Activities: Soccer 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Intramural Basketball 1,2,3,4; MEET 1,2,3,4; Go Chicken Go 4

Brandon Yano

Music: Alternative
Achievement: Beating up Tom Lenihan.
Why girls dig me: Because I'm 1/2 Asian.
Memorable experience: Cross Country senior year.
Hangout: My car.
Where would I be in 10 years? Sleeping.
Quote: "I'm not insane, I eat chow mein."
Activities: Cross Country 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3; Spanish Club 1,2,3; Amnesty International 1,2,3,4
Awards: First Honors 1; Second Honors 2,3,4

Prom offers test of social skills



Tom Grams and Jeff Tanner await their introduction at pre-prom. Joe LeVota dances with his date at the Senior Prom held at the Doubletree Hotel in Overland Park. Matt Smith, Andy Gilcrist and Chris Campbell pose with their dates.

Prom is the last official social gatherings for seniors to bond as a class. According to the dances coordinators, SGA President Jack Bondon and Assistant Principal for Academic Affairs Mr. Michael Heringer, prom was an all out success.

"Prom was very exciting, because it was a relaxed situation and it provided one last time to spend with your friends," Bondon said.

The night began with pre-prom activities where seniors gathered at The Rose Theater with their dates for formal portraits. Before that each couple was introduced on stage giving their friends and family an opportunity to see and to photograph them.

Following that, the seniors and their dates headed to the Doubletree Hotel in Overland Park

for dinner and dancing.

"Organizing prom was a lot of hard work," stated Bondon. "That all paid off with the success of the event."

The \$105 per couple cost of admission, which included dinner, dancing, and music provided by a DJ, did not deter almost all the seniors from attending.

"Prom was a great experience," Colin Koranda stated. "Dancing was great and everyone was having fun."

"Watching everyone having such a good time at prom was probably the highlight of the event for me," Mr. Heringer said.

"I think prom was a great way to close our time out as a class, and a fitting end to a wonderful four years," Joe Caldwell said. Story by Jerry Miller.



Photo by Ryan Fagan



Seniors Mike Frey, Brett McCracken and Brandon Shelby enjoy prom. Brett Coppage enjoys the attention he is getting from his and others' dates. Matt Jewett, Darus Dixon, Jason Woods and Brandon Shelby pose by the limosine they rented for Prom. Senior Chris O'Boynick and his date impressed all with their garb.



Prom

Seniors celebrate their graduation with one last dance



Photo by Pat Jakopshek

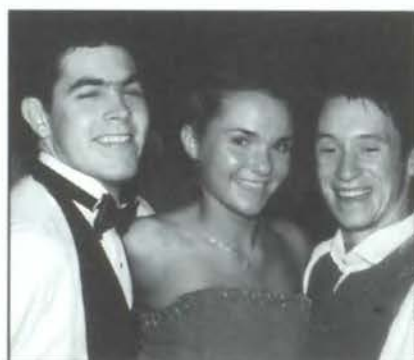


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Senior Nick Williamson and date enjoy prom. Senior Tony Vontz, Homecoming Royalty Joe Orscheln and Kate Daly pose for a picture after prom. Senior Jason Woods and date enjoy dinner before the dancing begins. Dan Gwartney, Aaron Clevinger and friend pose for a quick photo. Eric Garcia seems to especially enjoy the dance. Senior Brandon Sifers and date danced often throughout the night.

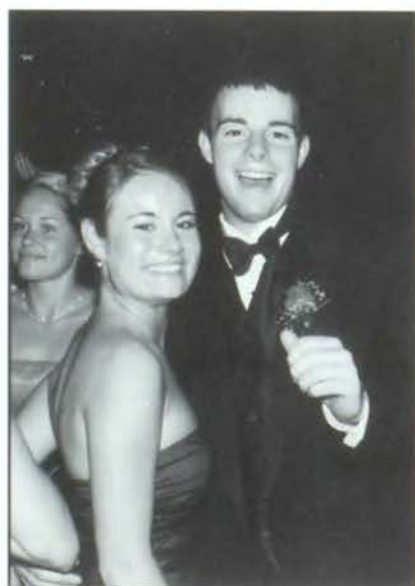




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Seniors Josh Kenning, Tim Alexander, Carlo Javillonar, Tim Laird, Greg Owsley and Paul Mattione, along with their dates arrive in style to pre-prom. Bob Kehm, Matt Baker, Brandon Yano, Thomas Lenihan, Jeremy McGannon and Leon Hardin arrive at the Doubletree Hotel with their dates. Proud and happy parents watch and photograph their sons being introduced at pre-prom in the Rose Theater. Señor Rick Stair breaks out his famous white gloves for the occasion.

Graduation



Brian Seigel and his dad enjoy the moment after Brian received his diploma.



207 Seniors cross the stage to become alumni

The 84th Annual Commencement Exercises, held May 21 in the Municipal Auditorium in downtown Kansas City, were marked not only by the enthusiasm of 210 new Rockhurst graduates but by a glowing tribute to the late Principal Thomas Murphy.

Mrs. Lisa Murphy, wife of Mr. Murphy, accepted the prestigious President's Medal given posthumously to her husband, who passed away in December. Mrs. Murphy spoke of her husband's love of education and especially of Rockhurst High School.

Also honored with Ignatian Awards were Vice-Principal for Academic Affairs Mr. Larry Ruby and KMBC-TV 9 Anchorman Larry Moore.

Mr. Ruby was praised for his gallant efforts as Acting Principal during the second semester of the school year.

Mr. Moore, whose son Greg was a member of the graduating class, was recognized for his 20 years of service to Rockhurst's annual *Spectacular* Auction.

Senior Jack Bondon, recipient of the Carl G. Kloster, S.J., Special "R" Award presented the Commencement Address and reminded his classmates of their accomplishments and potential.

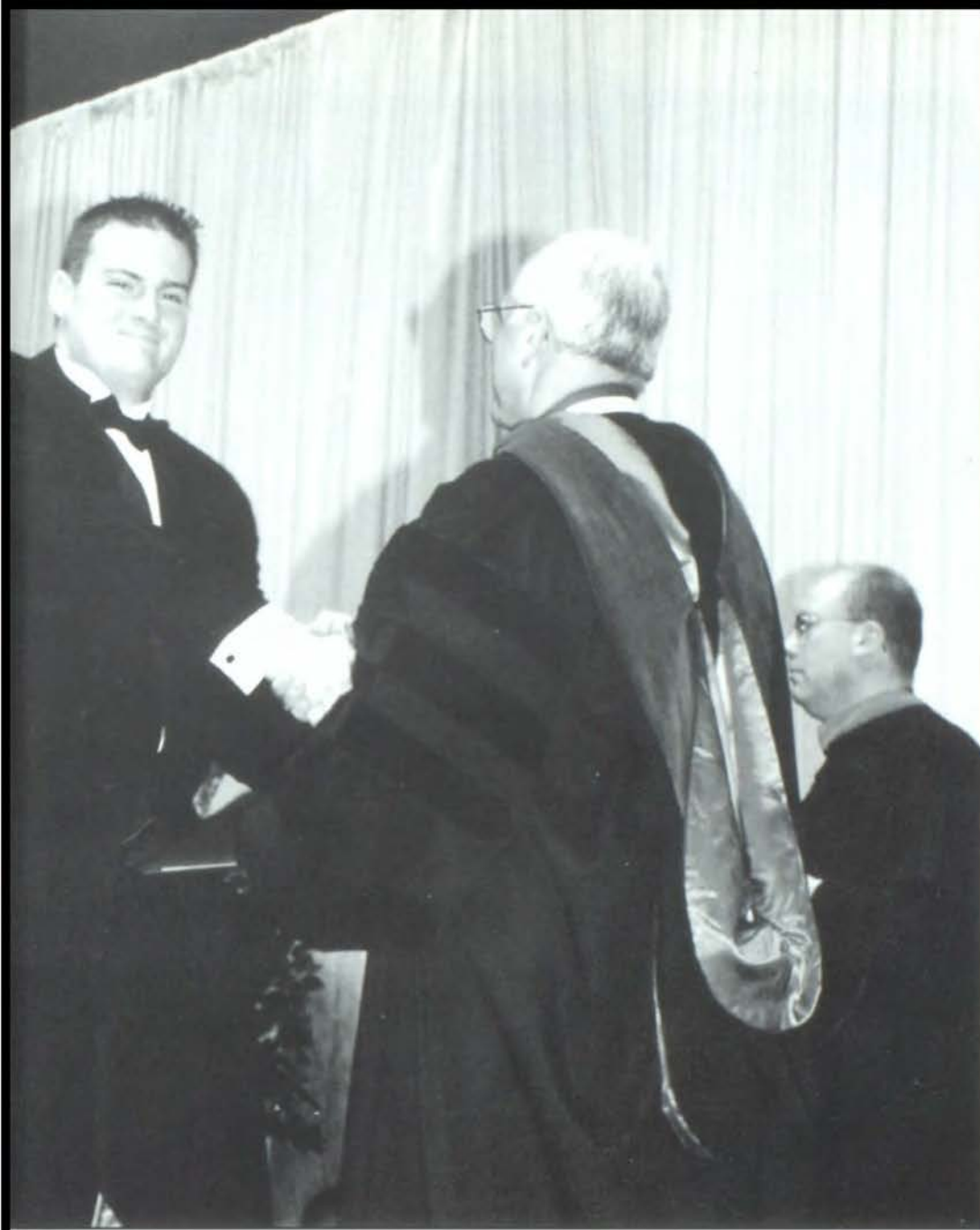
Family and friends of the graduates attended a Mass and brunch in the Municipal Auditorium prior to the ceremony.

The Reverend A. Thomas Pesci, S.J., President of Rockhurst High School, extolled the graduates to "make decisions in light of what is truly for the greater glory of God and the service of those in need; and then, to *act* accordingly."



Mrs. Lisa Murphy, widow of Principal Thomas Murphy asks the seniors to keep her husband in their hearts.

Jack Barry and his mother enjoy themselves at the brunch before the graduation ceremonies. Family and friends gather outside to greet the Class of 2000.



Brian Frey receives hearty congratulations from The Reverend Thomas Pesci, S.J., President. The Crowe family enjoyed brunch before Kert graduated.



Cooper Spark's shows his pleasure as he graduates from Rockhurst.



Graduation

KMBC Channel 9 Anchor Larry Moore is recognized for his years of support to Rockhurst by serving as Master of Ceremonies for the Spectacular Auction. The Seniors await their trek across the stage to receive their diplomas.

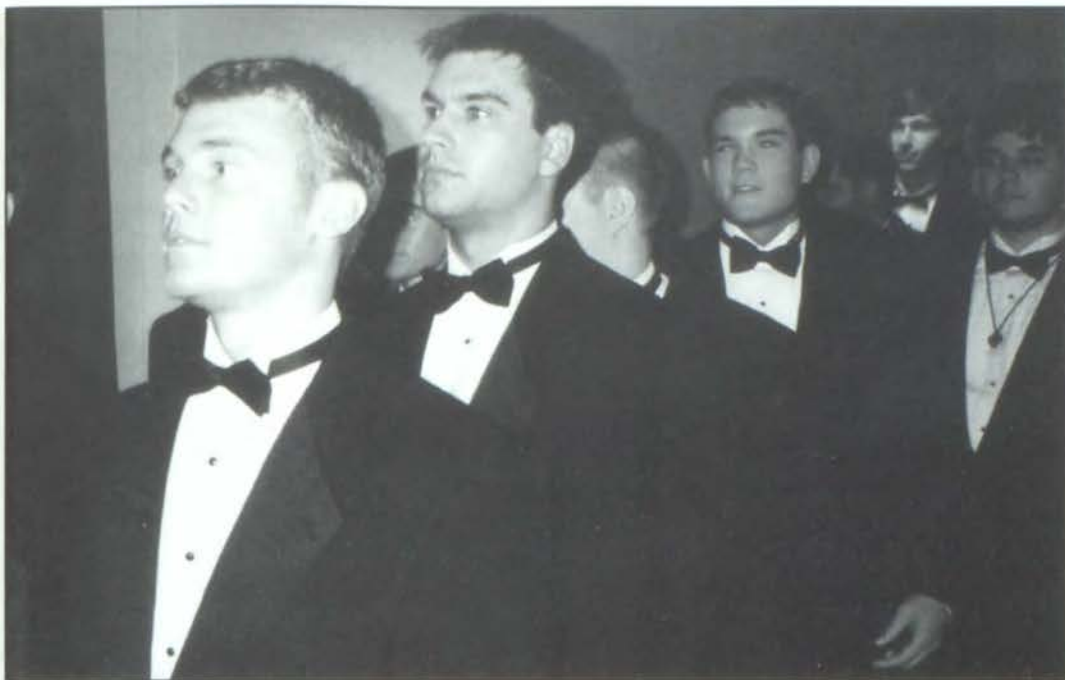


Seniors look to their futures as RHS grads

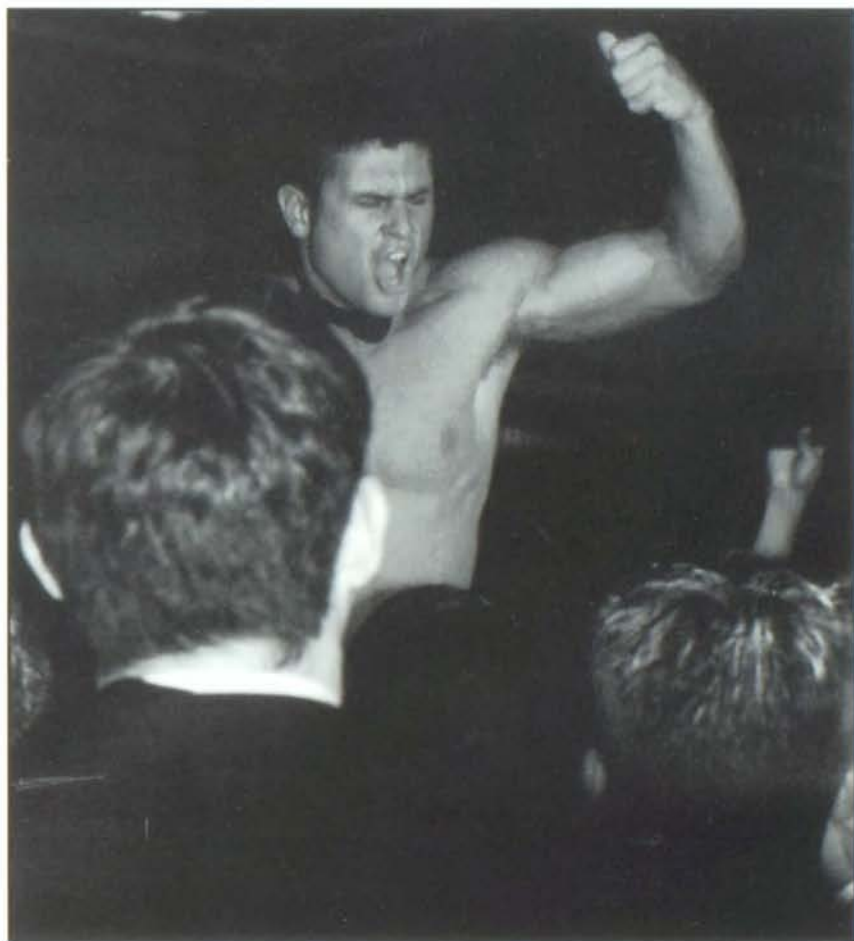


Ralph Clarett (Above) and Zach Thomas (Right) end their Rockhurst careers. Mr. Steve Ryan and Mr. Ron Geldhof remain senior members of the faculty.





Senior line up to process into the Municipal Auditorium before their Commencement Exercises.



Adam Flack's crutches were not a hindrance to his receiving his diploma. Thomas Lenihan leads the R-O-C-K cheer one last time following the ceremony.

Mike Frey

Mike,

You made our last four years at Rockhurst the best. You have been a model for us with your dedication and passion. We are so proud of you, and excited about your future.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Matt Baker

"Last but not least."

With so much love and pride,
Mom and Dad



Justin Kuchem



Justin - Yooou look mahvelous!

Finally, all systems are go and you're cleared for take-off. God is your co-pilot. Soar high!

We love you,
Mom, Dad, and Christin

Mike Meyer

You make us so proud!

We love you!
Mom, Dad, and Brian



Ryan Michael Hohl

Congratulations, Ryan!

May your life always be rich in love, faith, friendship, and success. Believe in yourself. We could not be prouder of you.

With all our love,
Mom & Dad
Meghan & Brigid



Greg Owsley

Greg,
We were blessed to have you as our oldest son to lead the way for your brothers. You light up our lives. Your future is as bright as your smile.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Jeff, and Kevin



Kert Crowe

Kert,
Wherever you go, whatever path you choose in life, remember... We Love You!
We believe in you, and we're always proud of the wonderful person you are. Congratulations!
Love, Mom and Dad



Michael Griffin

All the Best!!!

Mom and Dad
Jessica, James, and Annie



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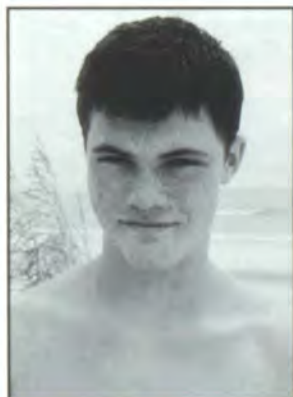
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wishes and much love to you
in the future.**

**Love,
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dreams come true.**

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in the things that are important to you
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I believe that you-
can accomplish anything you set out to do,
that you have many talents
and the wisdom to use
them well...

I believe that you have-
what it takes to overcome
obstacles and to grow
from every experience
life brings your way...

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will always be faithful to
friends and family and to
the values that have
shaped your philosophy...

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compassion, and
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Love Always,
Mom, Dad, and Sharita

Matt McClusky



Matt, we are very proud of you!
Remember that success is 10%
dependent upon what happens to
you and 90% dependent upon how
you react to it.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Sean, Dacie, and Adam

Brian and Sean Dugan



Brian and Sean,
Congratulations on a job well done!
While your years at The Rock are over, remember
that learning is a lifetime process -- never stop!!

Love,
Mom and Dad

Joseph O'Connor



Joe,
You've made us so proud and brought such
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good times and bad.**

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Life's choices are before you.

Pick wisely.

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Somewhere out there is your future.

Enjoy the search.

Peter

We are proud of you.

Love, Mom and Dad



Alex Krump

Alex,

**Congratulations! Thanks
for being my brother and best
friend. Your future is shining
bright and always remember
that I love you. I'll miss you,
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**Love always,
Gina**



**Thanks, Rockhurst, for educating our
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accomplished. The years have flown by and
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it becomes the wisdom of adulthood. Have the
courage to succeed. Remember: "The ladder
of success doesn't care who climbs it."**

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Kristin, and Lori

Greg Parks

Greg,
You have talked about being a Rock-hurst graduate since grade school. Congratulations!
We are very proud of you. Love,
Mom and Dad



David Riffel



Congratulations!
You made it and we are very proud of you. Best of Luck!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Chris, and Kim

Chris Campbell



Congratulations, Chris!



**We love you
And may God watch over you
Wherever you go.**

Love Mom, Dad, and Matt

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We are so proud of you.
Love,
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bless you as you head out into the
world. We love you, we're proud of
you and we'll always be here for
you.
Love,
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Andy Metzler



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The adventure has just
begun. Jump in feet first,
explore, and enjoy what's
ahead.
You continue to make
us proud.
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your sunny outlook and high hopes.
We can't wait to see the places
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**Congratulations,
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May God be with you
wherever you go.**

**Love,
Mom and Dad
Anne and John**



Leon M. Harden III

**Lee Lee,
Congratulations.
We are so very proud
of you. We wish you
much happiness and
success.
Love,
Mom, Dad, and LeDrew**





Matt Darby

Dear Matt,

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Thank you for being you.

God bless you always.

Love,

Mom and Dad

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We're very proud of you and wish you nothing but the best !

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Love,

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Matt Finucane



Matt,
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**Love,
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Congratulations, Peter!

To a kid outstanding in any field.

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**You hear it in church, you practice it every day.
Remember the golden rule and live your lives this way!**

**La Fede, La Famiglia, & Gli Amici
(Faith, Family, and Friends)**

Bill Tracy

**Billy,
Words can't express how proud we are of you as you reach this milestone in your life. You have been our joy, and we send our love, our congratulations, and our prayers for a happy and successful future.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Matt, and Mike**



Patrick James Connelly



Zeal without knowledge is like fire without light. Continue to walk in the light ~ your fire and zeal will light the world. We love YOU ~ Mom, Dad, and Sean

Bret Springs



Bret,

May the future bring you as much happiness as you have given us. You're a wonderful son and we're so proud of you and your accomplishments. Follow your dreams and keep that great smile and you will go far.

**Our love,
Mom and Dad**

Steven Phelps



You did it !

CONGRATULATIONS !

You are a delight in our lives and have brought laughter, love, joy, and much entertainment into our home and family.

Good luck on your next step and fly with new enthusiasm in life.

**Love forever,
Mom, Dad, Carrie, Lara, Michelle & John**

David Hayob

You make us so proud. Now it's time to step out into the world. Remember, your dreams are illustrations from the book your soul is writing about you. Make your dreams big ... make them a reflection of the outstanding person you have become at Rockhurst.

**We love you.
Dad, Mom, & Jeni**



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Regarding Senior Activities: Survey forms were distributed in Senior Theology Classes and were collected. A month-long campaign of announcements was used to encourage seniors to submit those forms. Not all seniors chose to do so, but all that were submitted were published.

Colophon

The 2000 Edition of the *Quarry* Yearbook was published entirely by a first year Yearbook class with the help of a first year Photography class. Editorial positions were filled from the Yearbook class after an application process. Those positions tend to be filled exclusively by juniors because of the lengthy period following graduation needed to complete the book. This year was no exception, as all of the editors listed below are juniors. All layouts were designed and submitted on seven Macintosh G3 computers using Aldus Pagemaker 6.5. 1050 books with 280 pages were printed locally at the Herff Jones Company, 6015 Travis Lane, Shawnee Mission, KS. Able and appreciated assistance was provided by company representatives Nancy Hall and Julie Bogart. The theme of "Rock of Ages" was created and carried throughout the book as an in-class assignment. Besides the 45-minute class period, the editors listed below each spent nearly 60 hours following the end of the school year, finishing on June 14. The book is a fall delivery book so that all activities in one school year might be included within one bound edition. The cover, designed by the editors, is blind embossed, silk screened and foilstamped. Text type for the most part throughout the book is Garamond. Paper is 80# gloss enamel.

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Jeff,

Congratulations on achieving your goals. We are so very proud of you. You will always be the miracle that makes our lives complete.

Mom and Dad



Joe Orscheln



We are very proud of you. You have grown to be a wonderful young man. And a great son and brother.

We love you,

Dad, Mom, Dustin, Scott and Eric

Paul Rohrer



Dear Paul,

Doctor Seuss still says it best:

"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose. You're on your own, and you know what you know, And YOU are the guy who'll decide where to go."

Your family will be beside you every step of the way!

Love,

Mom, Dad, Elyse, Sophie, LeRoy, and Desi

Ben Bawden



Ben,

You've followed your dreams with enthusiasm, hard work, and a great sense of humor. Our joy has been watching you mature into a wonderful, compassionate young man.

Thank you for the countless, wonderful memories. Congratulations, and God bless you!

All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Holly

Chris Wiggins



Continued success on the highway of life!! We are proud of your accomplishments at "The Rock."

With love,
Mom, Dad, and
Michael (RHS 2004)



Ryan Cesla



Trust in God.
Believe in yourself.
Dare to dream.
The rest are details.

We love you,
Dad, Mom, and Erin

Chris O'Boynick



Aim High. Shoot Straight
Fight hard for your beliefs.

Each time you succeed, stop and listen for a cheer. You'll hear it in your heart. Do you hear it now? That's us! No matter where YOU are or where WE are, we'll be cheering for you.

We love you!

Mom, Carl, Dad, Shelly, Allison, and Paige

Joe Burke



Joe,

May God continue to bless you as you make your next play in the game of life.

All our love,
Mom, Pops, and Mike

Josh Polsinelli



Where one door closes,
another always opens.

Goodbye, Rockhurst - Hello World

Much Love and Happiness to you,

Mom and Dad

Chris Brown



We recognized your talents
years ago...
Congratulations on using
them to the fullest!

Whether as a student, a
runner, or a musician,
you have reached new
goals while staying true
to yourself. How proud
we are of you!



Love,

Mom and Dad, Meaghan, Kevin,
Allison, Scott, and Matthew

Jacob Hildebrand

Hey, Guy...

It's white and fluffy, but it's **NOT** snow.

But you'll find plenty of the real
snow that you love at college in
southwest Colorado.

We are so proud of you. Your
adventuresome spirit will take
you far in life.

Love,

Mom and Dad



Kirk Wood

Kirk,

Thank you for the
closeness we have
shared and for all of the
joy you have brought to
our lives.

As you begin your
exciting new journey --
remember that our
prayers, love, and
support are always
with you.

We are so proud
of you!

Love,

Mom, Philip, Kylie,
Memaw, and Papa



Eric Garcia

Eric,

Thank you for filling our lives with so
much happiness. You've been a won-
derful son and we're very proud of all
your accomplishments. Good luck in
college and know we're always here for
you. We love you very much.

Mom, Dad, Damian Jr '94,
Patrick '95, and Mary



Jason Woods



Trust in the Lord with all thine heart;
and lean not unto thine own under-
standing. In all ways acknowledge
Him, and He shall direct thy paths.

Proverbs 3: 5-6

Garrett Coffey

**Don't let the small fry
"dragon" you down.**



**Life is just a bowl of
sweet little boys
growing into men.**



**Keep your
"bassy" attitude
on a stringer.**

**We love you, and are very proud of you.
May all your dreams come true.**

**God Bless you.
Mom, Dad, Keegan, Laurie, and Doug**

Tom Porto and Joe Orscheln



Go, Tom and Joe!

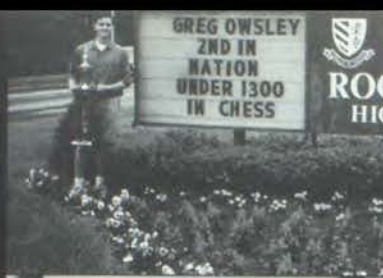
**Best of luck from Mom and Dad, Tony,
Nick, and Stacy Porto**

Brandon Dange



**You have truly filled a void in my life. Watching you
grow into a well rounded young man has made me
so proud. Remember to always follow your dreams.**

**Love,
Grandma**




Many make this pla





ce was solid as a Rock





So the sun set on the 1999-2000 school year. We went through a storm of events. Floods had come, winds had blown, but we did not collapse. Like the generations before us, we steadied ourselves upon our foundations-- God and each other. This firm base kept us strong through all that occurred. We remained the Rock we have been through the Ages.

