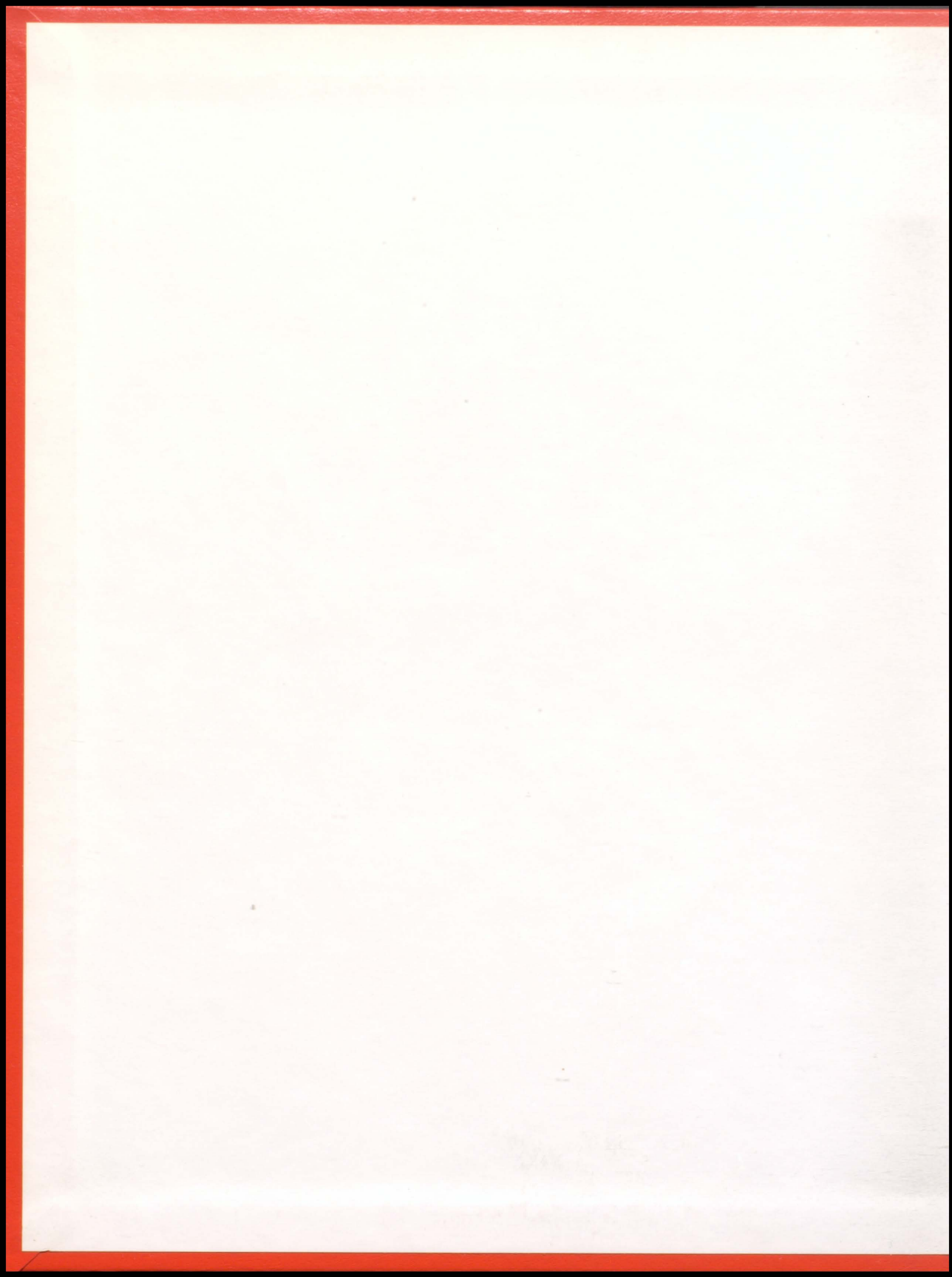


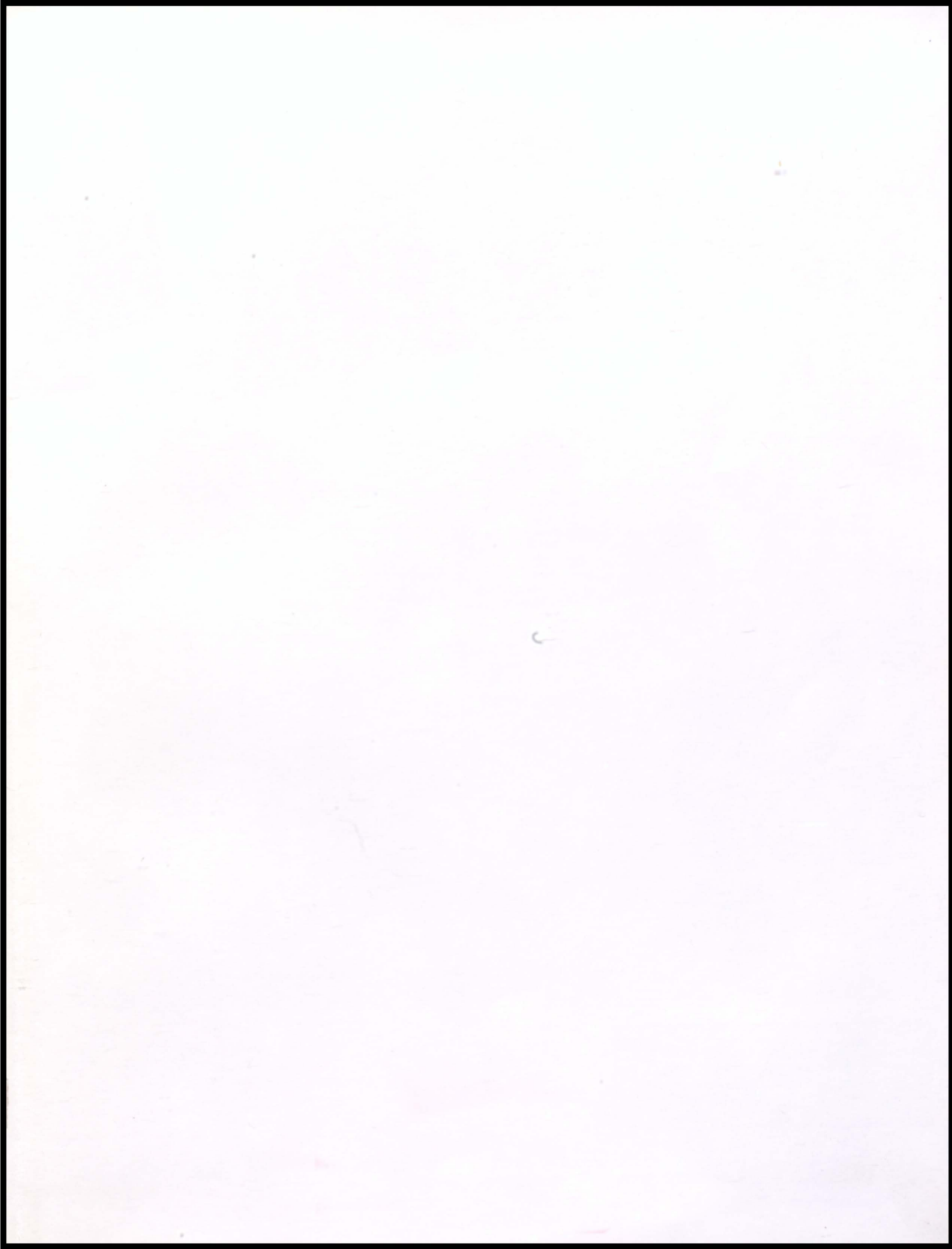


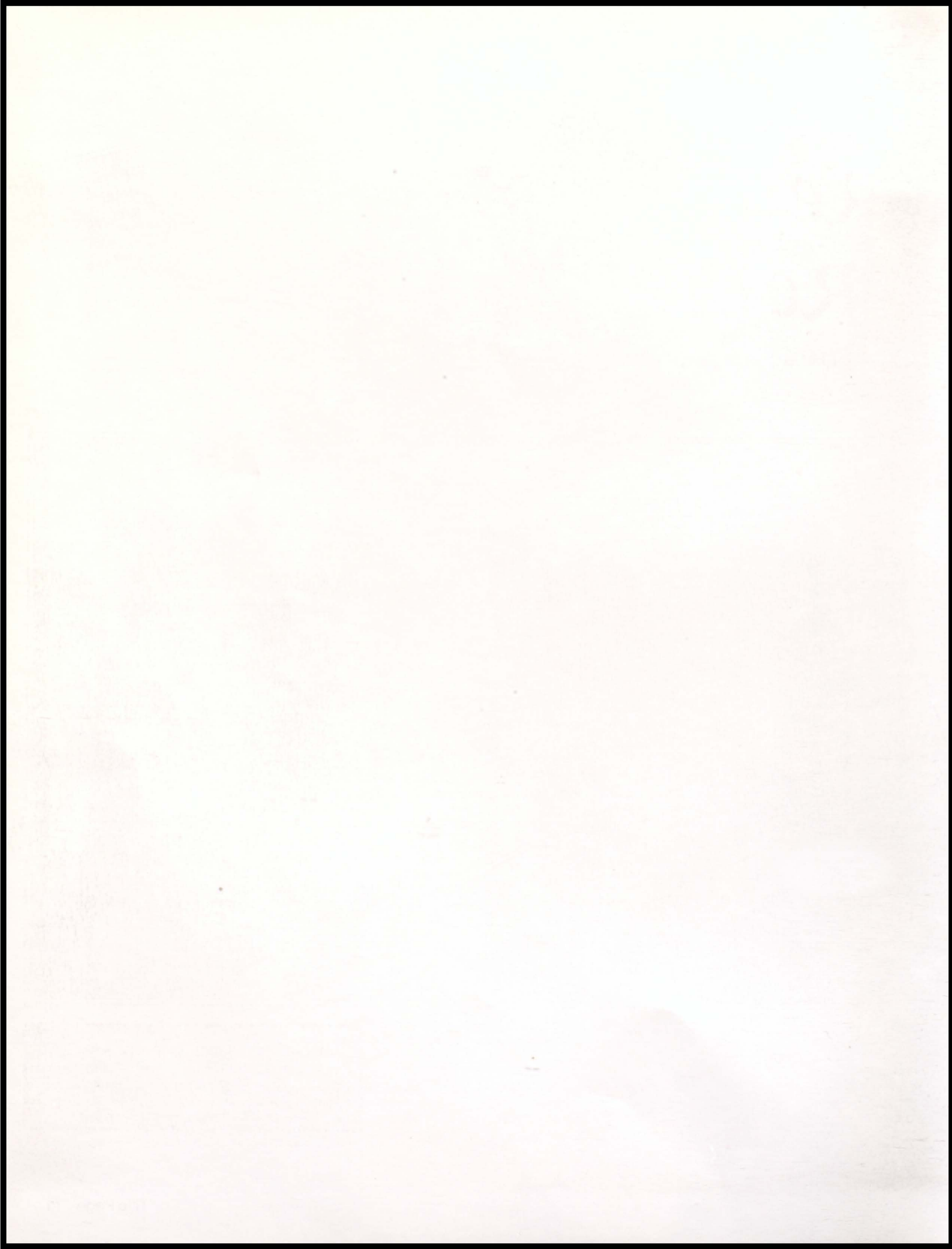
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Varsity cheerleaders and members of dance team form a tunnel to cheer on the the varsity boys basketball team at the winter pep assembly.

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**J**unior Rafael Luna works diligently in his drawing class with Mrs. Wanda Simchuk. "I like her a lot and I liked all of my assignments. I want to continue to do art, but in a different aspect by learning to air brush on my car," Luna said.



**F**reshmen Carmen Claiborn and Michaela Kroh work on their sophomore project together. Freshmen who were in biology had the chance to complete their sophomore and freshmen projects while they were freshmen.

**S**enior Matt "Rupal" Middleton shows off his sexy new outfit during the winter pep assembly. But did Mr. Middleton fill Rupal's shoes? "It was fun, but can't nobody fill her shoes," Middleton said.

**B**rave: making a fine display; impressive or showy. Excellent, great.

# BRAVES

We'll always argue over the controversy with the upper-classmen and the replacement of ELO. We won't forget all the arguments about year-round school and the possibility of and the decision by the School Board to keep things "status quo."

We'll always remember the confusion of the extra snow day that wasn't technically a snow day. We'll always remember the constant tests that we had to take every other day and how important it was to our school and our reputation. We had the great Dip N' Dots cart-at home basketball games provided by the wonderful yearbook staff and softball team. We'll always remember the teams who went to State and when Matt Middleton won State wrestling and made the Braves proud.

No matter what we faced during the year, we remained true to our name. We made a point in being the best, because with a name like the "Braves," we are the best.

—Ashley A. Williams

*Remembering the*

# BRAVES

**S**tudent Life: a particular segment of one's academic life where one is involved in specific activities.

## STUDENT LIFE

During the year, we worked hard at school, had fun, and made memories. We went to games, dances, plays, and shows. We had "the best time of our lives."

Dances were fun because we got to take a night to dress up, hang out with friends and maybe even got an extended curfew. We made lifelong memories like how we asked the perfect person to prom or found the perfect dress.

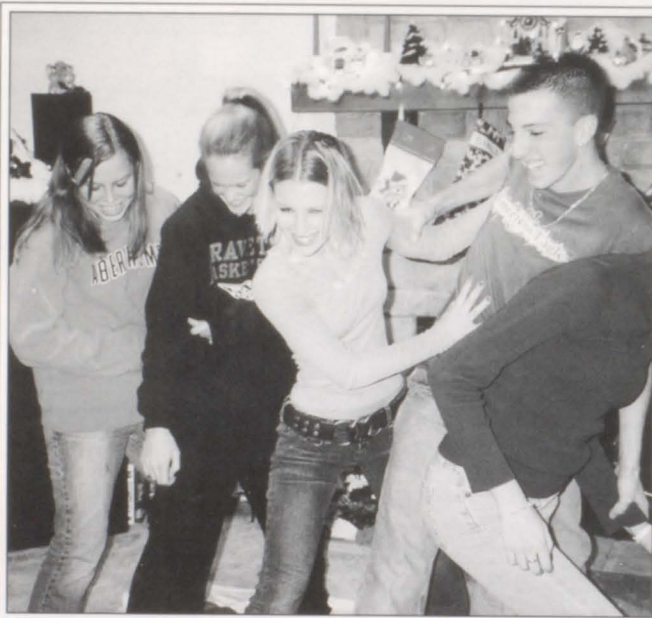
Graduating from high school and getting tons of attention, we'll remember saying goodbye to friends and teachers. Project graduation and the senior picnic was the best. Seniors had the chance to say goodbye and talk about their futures and made promises to stay in touch.

We had great memories and even some memories we wanted to forget, but that's just part of student life.

—Ashley A. Williams

## Remembering the GOOD TIMES

**F**reshmen Jennifer Barlow and Taryn Lane work on their sophomore project in the Media Center. During their freshman year, students were allowed to complete their sophomore project if they were enrolled in biology for their first science class.

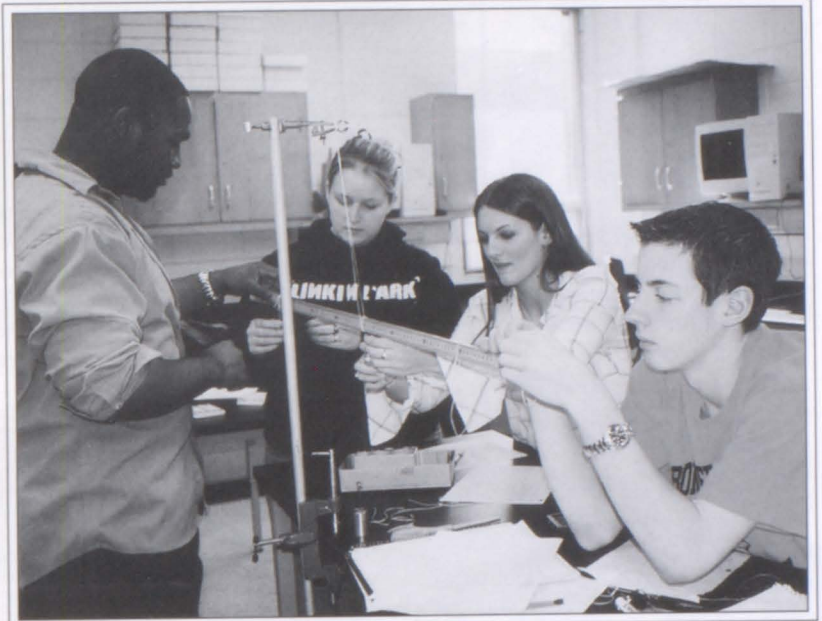
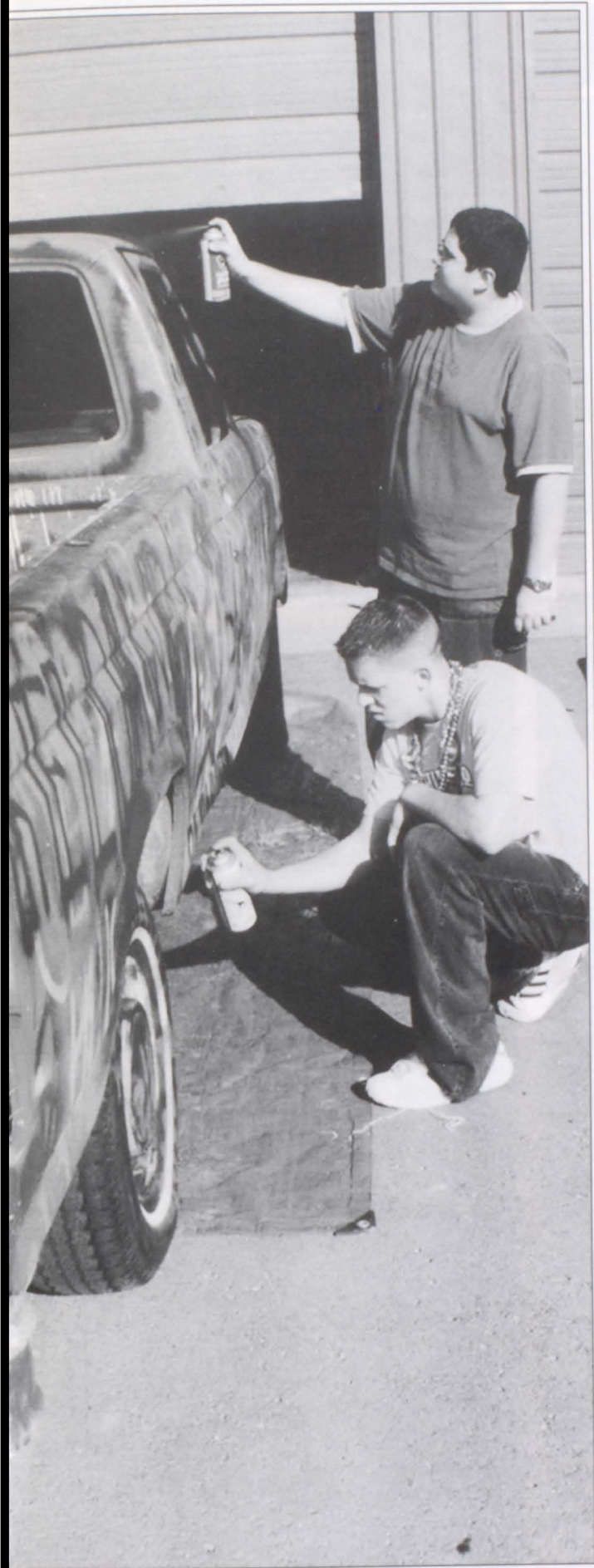


**M**embers of the yearbook staff, sophomores Jessica Langley and Hilary Johnson, junior Kellie Gardner, and senior Michael Maxwell play a rowdy game of Twister at the annual Christmas Party. It was held at Ms. Nancy Yankovich's house. "I clearly won that game. I'm the queen of Twister," Johnson said.





**S**ophomores Steven Beck and Chris Mattox put their class mark on the truck to be smashed at the Homecoming pep rally and tailgate party. The parade and pep rally did not start right after school, but started at 5:00pm. There was a face painting booth setup by the dance team, a booth where the cheerleaders sold pom poms, and an Orange Crush booth where t-shirts were sold. For the younger kids, a Titanic slide and a Moon Walk were available for entertainment.



**J**uniors Aaron Clark, Theresa Wild, Megan Mackey, and Josh Mortensen work on their lab experiment physics class. "We were trying to separate and space out certain weights to make the ruler balance with a five hundred pound weight on the other side," Wild said.

**S**ophomore Keisha Dodson, senior Ashley McConico, junior LuCretia Hinson, and seniors Kim Miser, Alexis Kimbrough, Anecia Reed sing the Black National Anthem, "Lift Every Voice," at the multi-cultural assembly for African Americans. Also added to the multi-cultural week activities was a performance by the Schlagle Band featuring their unique high-stepping techniques.

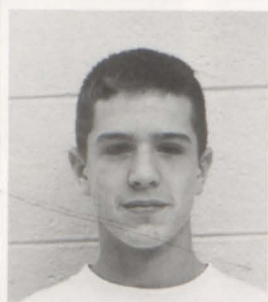
## What was your favorite day of spirit week?



Name: Kenny Mack  
Grade: Senior  
Favorite Day: War Party  
Reason: "Everyone gets hyped and the all of the kids were going crazy. All the school spirit is great!"



Name: Nick Robertson  
Grade: Junior  
Favorite Day: Pajama  
Reason: "I think that it was my favorite because you don't have to get dressed on the morning."



Name: Chase Hundley  
Grade: Freshman  
Favorite Day: Hat  
Reason: "It was my favorite because the hats were all so different, it showed people's character."



Seniors Leslie Davis and Savannah Rentie wear their hats while making mugs in Ms. Linda Horvath's pottery class. "The hats showed everyone's personality," senior Alexis Kimbrough said.

Sophomore Rachel Robare shows her robe and slippers off for Pajama day. "I think Spirit Week should be longer. We should make them into 'Spirit Weeks,'" junior Alex Sturgeon said.





Helping her classmates out, junior Kellie Lemon colors the junior banner. "I like to see so many people dressed up on 'War Party Day'", junior Jenni Ova said.

During float construction, sophomores Steven Beck, Jackie Russell and Melissa Reynolds work on their class float. The juniors took first place, sophomores took second, the freshmen took third, and seniors were disqualified for using real



# Spirit Week

Reasons to Celebrate

What is the most exciting game of the season? When does everyone get to dress up like they are going to bed to New Orleans for the weekend? The week before the Homecoming game, otherwise known as Spirit Week.

Spirit Week consisted of Pajama Day, Hat Day, Mardi Gras Day, College Apparel Day and War Party Day.

Besides participating in Spirit Week, students also participated in float construction. Through the week the classes were divided up to work on the floats.

The seniors and sophomores worked on Monday and Wednesday. The juniors and freshmen worked on their floats Tuesday and Thurs-

Seniors Drew Hess, Corie Crouch and friends eat lunch on War Party Day. "Spirit Week was great, but I think that there could be more spirit in the hallways and the school. I think that the school should be more decorated and should be more 'decked out,'" senior Dee Adger said.

day. They all worked from four o'clock through eight o'clock p.m.

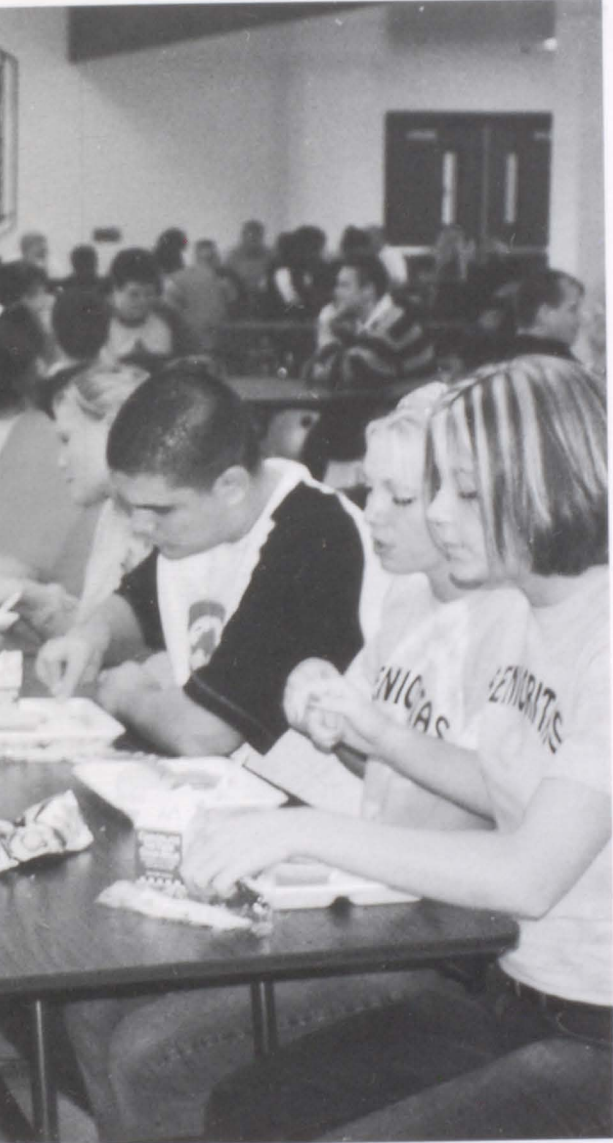
The floats were constructed at the bus barn and were displayed in the Homecoming parade that took place at five o'clock p.m.

"I really enjoyed the float construction and the game was awesome! The football team did great!" junior Shawn Batchelor said, "Next year I hope that the homecoming game, spirit week, and all of the other activities are as great as this year."

The Homecoming game was held on Friday, Oct. 3 at six o'clock p.m. The Braves defeated the Mill Valley Jaguars, 45-35.

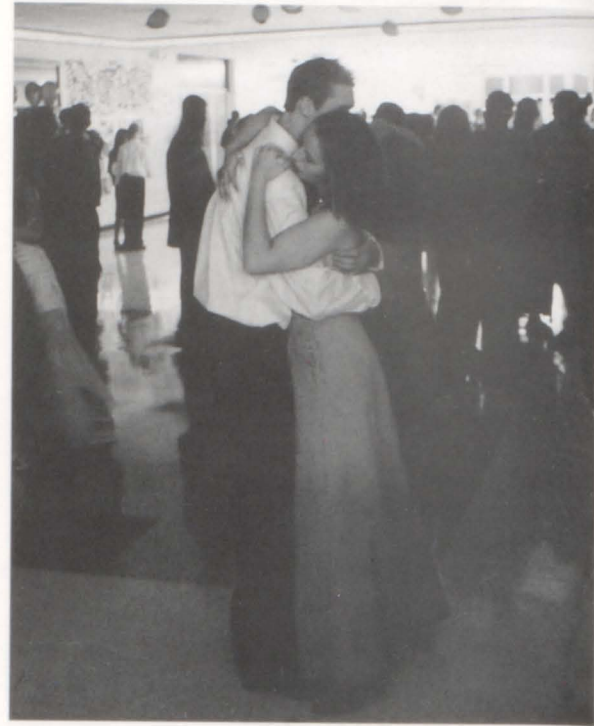
"Spirit week went great! We had awesome participation from students, faculty, and the staff. Also, Student Council passed out suckers for those who participated each day," Stuco sponsor Ms. Adrienne Law said.

—Jessica Langley

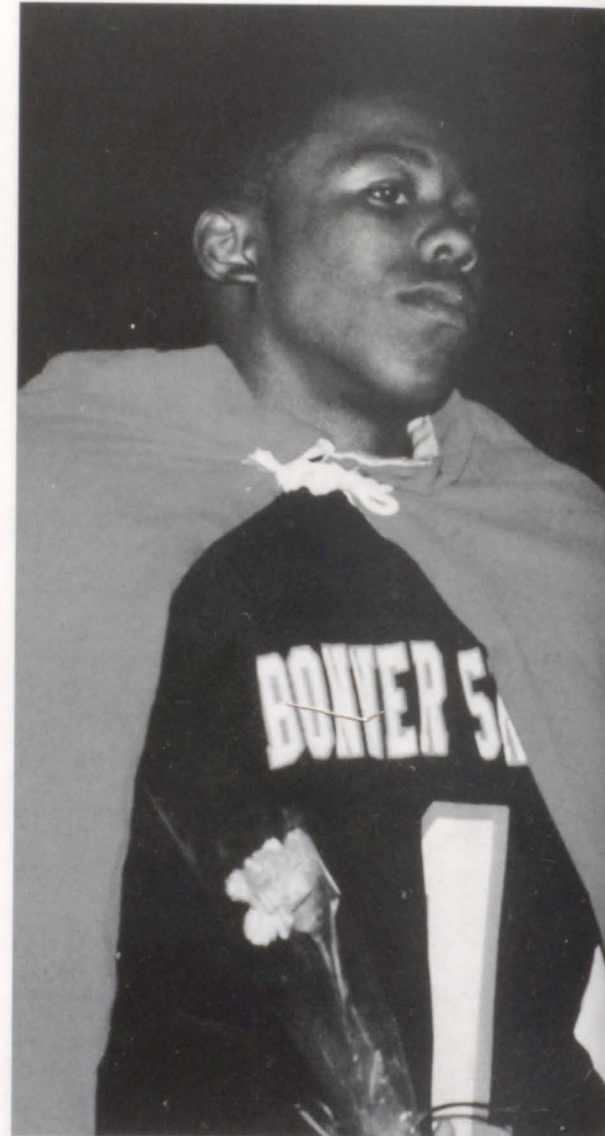


**T**he Homecoming Court—**Front Row:** RikkiAnn Burks, Kristina Luke, Kellie Gardner, Corie Crouch, Leslie Davis, Julianne Fowler, Kristy Holt, Ashley Pardew. **Back Row:** Anthony Brown, Jon Jones, Toine Barber, Jess Buck, Michael Hernandez, Drew Hess, Michael Maxwell, Matt Middleton.

**J**unior Seth Jenkins and senior Danielle Putnam dance at the Homecoming Dance, held in the commons area. "We had fun at the dance. We've been together for a year now, and I'm glad we got to share this time together," Putnam said.



**S**enior Myjestic Hickmon pounds with a huge hammer on an old truck spray-painted to represent Mill Valley Jaguars at the car bashing booth, one of the many attractions at the pep rally. The booth was a fundraiser for Project Graduation.





Sophomore Keisha Dodson and senior Leslie Davis dance to the music at the pep rally.

Mr. John Rost, senior Kristy Holt and junior Jami Poje dance to the "YMCA" at the rally. "I love the YMCA," Poje said.



# Homecoming

## Parade and Pep Rally

With the new location, time, route, and DJ, a whole new atmosphere was created for the Homecoming parade and pep rally.

The parade began at 5:00 at Kelly Murphy Park and ended in front of the high school. Following the parade, the pep rally began at 6:00 in the faculty parking lot. With car bashing, face painting and moon walk booths, there was plenty of fun for all who attended.

"I was happy that everyone cares about activities and festivities," freshman Britany Sanders said.

Every fall sports team, and almost every club had a float in the parade.

Just like every year, the band

Your Homecoming King and Queen, Matt Middleton and Ashley Pardew! As always, there was a special dance dedicated to the royalty at Saturday's dance.

marched through the route, and like every year, the band changes, losing seniors and gaining new freshman, like freshman Becky Stude, who played the French Horn in the marching band.

"It was fun I enjoyed marching with the band, because band was cool, and our band is awesome," Stude said.

The dance, which was held on Oct. 4, 2003, the day after the win over Mill Valley, went very smoothly. The commons area was decorated with blue and silver balloons for the dance.

"We were prepared, we hoped for the best, and prepared for the worst, and we were fine," Ms. Jacqueline de la Pena said.

The other chaperones included Mrs. Crissy Johns, Mrs. Jennifer Schlicht, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Cook, and Ms. Adrienne Law.

—Helen Sangster

## What do you like to do in your free time?



**Name:** Leeana Johnson  
**Grade:** 12

**Activity:** "In my free time I like to sleep! It is a sacred time because the things you do at school make you sleepy."



**Name:** Scott Link  
**Grade:** 11

**Activity:** "I play video games in my free time. I'm pretty good too. It's way easier to conquer the 'virtual' world."



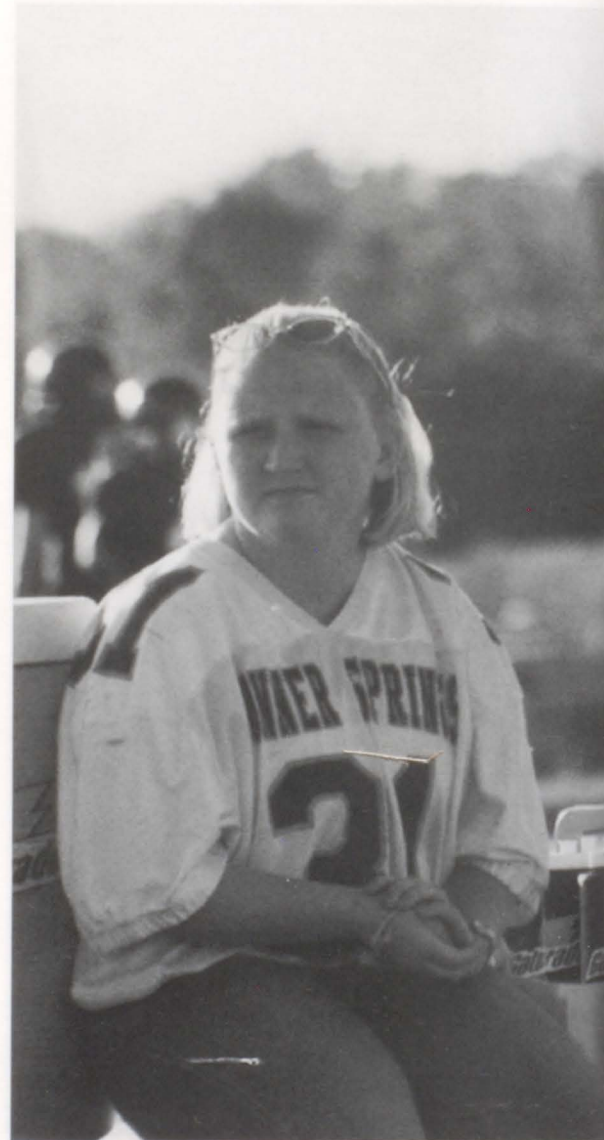
**Name:** Justin Stigge  
**Grade:** AIS/ Applied  
Physics Teacher.

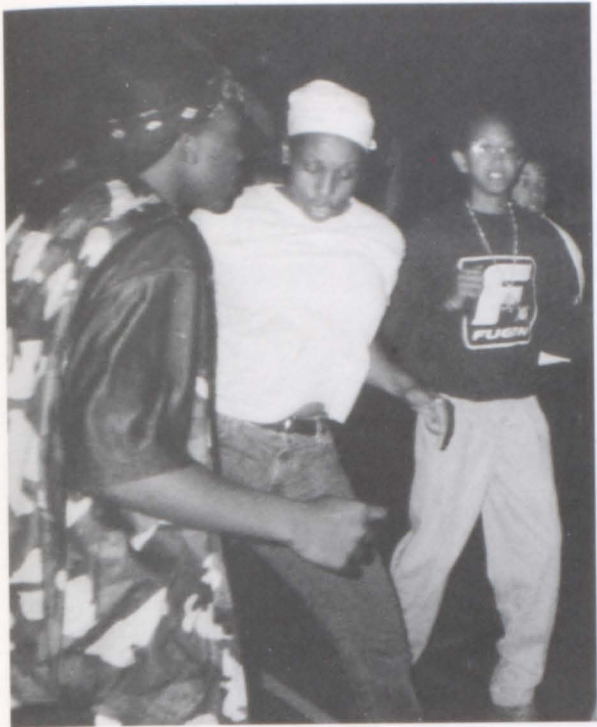
**Activity:** "I like playing tennis, and I like to ski. When it's your first year teaching, you don't really have free time."



Senior Randi Miller and close friend, graduate Crystal Bjorgaard relax at lunch. "Crystal and I go to the mall and McDonald's, and we hang out every day. And we always try to keep up with the latest movies," Miller said.

Senior Kenny Mack begins each Sunday with his visit to church. "I love to go to church and the mall. My favorite day was the first time I got up in front of the congregation and was reaching the gospel," Mack said.





Junior Krisse Lee dances and enjoys the night with her friends. "What I do in my free time is dance! And I do it very well. I love to chill with my friends, and just chill," Lee said.

Junior Morgan Grabmiller spends her Seminar time writing in her notebook. "I like to write when I have freetime. I usually just write poems or whatever I'm thinking about," Grabmiller said.



# On the Outside

It's What We Do

A yearbook is a collection of memories shared throughout the year and captured in a picture so they will never be forgotten. While students may remember what happened in our school, many students also made fond memories outside of school.

Outside activities are as important in students high school years as the school work and grades. Everyone participates in different activities during their four years in high school. Many of the students joined in on some extracurricular activities.

Managers junior Jessica Thomas and sophomore Stephanie Elmer sit and wait for the varisty football game to begin. "I love to play sports. I play them because it's kind of relaxing to just do something that I want to do, and it's a good work out," Elmer said.

"I absolutely love acting. The school plays are so fun, and everybody gets so close," senior Anecia Reed said. "I love the way I can be a different person, and trying to think with somebody else's mind. There is nothing better."

Teachers just like to relax and use their time away from school to calm down.

"I like to play tennis, golf, and bridge!!! Go to the movies, travel. I enjoy my friends," Accounting teacher, Mrs. Deena Burns said.

Here's to making memories.

—Michael Maxwell

## What did you think of Courtwarming?



**Name:** Cassity Mitchell  
**Grade:**9

"I had a lot of fun at Courtwarming this year. The dance was okay, but my favorite part was when the group I was with went out to Applebee's and ate."



**Name:** Emmanuel McComb  
**Grade:**10

"I thought the dance was good. After the dance I was on my way to the movies with my girlfriend, and this lady came speeding in front of us, and I hit the back of her truck."



**Name:** Ashley Lea  
**Grade:**11

"Courtwarming was great this year. I loved the dance because of course it fell on Valentine's Day, and it was to be a very memorable night."



**S**eniors Alisha Mathiesen and Sidney Birdsong were crowned Queen and King during halftime of the varsity boys basketball game against Mill Valley.

### King and Queen Candidates:

**Front Row:** John Woodall, Jennifer Sullivan, Sidney Birdsong  
**Back Row:** Nyse Pinks, Joe Wiggins, Alexis Kimbrough, Alisha Mathiesen, Ryan Silvers, Tara Eveland







**B**efore the dance, sophomore Jessie Langley and many other students helped decorate for the courtwarming dance. Courtwarming was put together and sponsored by Miss Law and STUCO.

**P**rincesses and Princes: Freshmen, Carmen Claiborn and Dylan Tuckel, sophomores Alexis Foster and Emmanuel McComb, juniors Kori McGinnis and Jordan Lamb.



# Courtwarming

## Moments Like These

**T**he theme for the 2004 courtwarming dance was "Moments Like These." Having the dance held on Valentines Day made the dance even more special. Because the dance was on Valentine's Day, the colors were red, pink, and silver.

"I thought that Courtwarming was really fun. I even got to help decorate beforehand," sophomore Jessi Langley said.

Spirit week was short due to the three day week. The three days consisted of Clash Day, Twin Day, and Spotlight Day.

Spotlight Day was a new addition to spirit week. If students had

a date, they wore red, if they were unsure about a date, they wore yellow, and if they needed a date, they wore green. It helped more students get dates without getting rejected.

"I liked Spotlight Day very much. It seemed like a lot of people participated in it, and I also knew a couple people that got a date because of it," sophomore Katie Carlyle said.

The students danced the night away to music provided by "Complete Music." Many students thought that the dance was very well decorated and well put together.

"I thought that Courtwarming was very organized this year, and I really liked the decorations," junior Alyssa Alexander said.

—Theresa Wild

**S**enior Leslie Davis, juniors Candice Craven, LuCretia Hinson, Chase Crouch, Megan Mackey, and Shantenie Tyner dance to the "Cha-Cha Slide." There was a variety of music provided by Complete Music.



## Some Talented Solo Stars



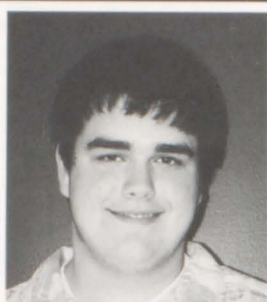
**Name:** Autumn Hansen  
**Grade:** 12

"A friend had asked me to sing 'Reflection' with her, but when she didn't show up for the audition, I sang by myself. The judges were so pleased that they wanted me to sing it solo."



**Name:** Drew Jones  
**Grade:** 10

"The best part about being in BRAVO! was that I got to actually meet a lot of new people, and I'll never forget the feeling of the crowd after I sang."



**Name:** Dalton Walker  
**Grade:** 9

"I loved getting up and singing for all my friends and family that attended. I believe that Cassity [Mitchell] and I sang really well to 'A Whole New World'."



To start off the BRAVO! performances, the combined choir sing, "Get the Party Started" recorded by Pink. "Mr. [Brian] White chose that song because he wanted to make it a fun atmosphere right from the beginning," junior Jessie Huston said.

Freshmen Dalton Walker and Philip Shirley, along with the Freshman Choir sing to, "The Lion Sleeps Tonight," recorded by the Tokens. To give the jungle feel, they all wore tropical shirts during their performance.



**S**ophomore Drew Jones sings a solo in "For the Longest Time", recorded by Billy Joel, with the A Cappella Men's Choir. Jones sang a total of about four songs each night for BRAVO!

**J**uniors Jenni Ova, Mandie Lewis, Aminda Bohnert, and sisters Britney and Amy Abramovitz, sing Spice Girl songs. Ova was Baby, Lewis was Posh, Bohnert was Sporty, Britney was Ginger, and Amy was Scary.



# BRAVO!

## Showing off Our Talents



**W**e only get to see "BRAVO!", our school talent show, biannually. Students from all grades either got together to perform a talent or went solo to show off their individual talents.

"I like that it is done biannually. It would be too much work to do every year. Plus, it would conflict with the musical," freshman Carmen Clairborn said.

Students performed talents such as singing, dancing, and instrumental playing. In order to be in the show, students who were singing a solo, a duet, and/or were outside of the choir, had to audition in advance to the show in order to perform in BRAVO!

**A** Cappella Choir Women, along with seniors Kevin Dame, Kenny Mack, Danny Gardner, and sophomore Jeremy Davis sang, "My Guy" recorded by Mary Wells. The singled out geek, Dame, won all the girls' attention in the end, over the other three buff guys during the duration of the song.

Because of a snow storm, there was a little bit of an upset in the shows original scheduled days, which were Feb. 19- 21. The school was out for a few days, the administration decided to move the show to March 25 and 26 at 7:30 P.M..

"It helped us by giving us more time to get prepared," junior Billy Ballard said.

Choir Director Mr. Brian White, was the Director of BRAVO!, along with Choral and Production Assistant, Denise Gibson. There were about 20 different performances. Tickets were available at the door. Adults paid \$5.00, students paid \$4.00 and kids age 4 and under were free!

There were songs from all mixes of life, from rap to country and from rock to oldies. The choirs also got into the BRAVO! action, as well as the drumline. There were more than 300 people in the audience.

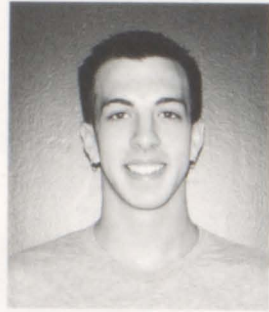
— Judith Plumb

**D**oris, Nola, Clementine and Celia (Miser, Reed, Smith, Alexander) became very excited after learning that they get to sit at Duncan's (Maxwell) table. Duncan was the cute biochemist.

## The Triangle of Confusion



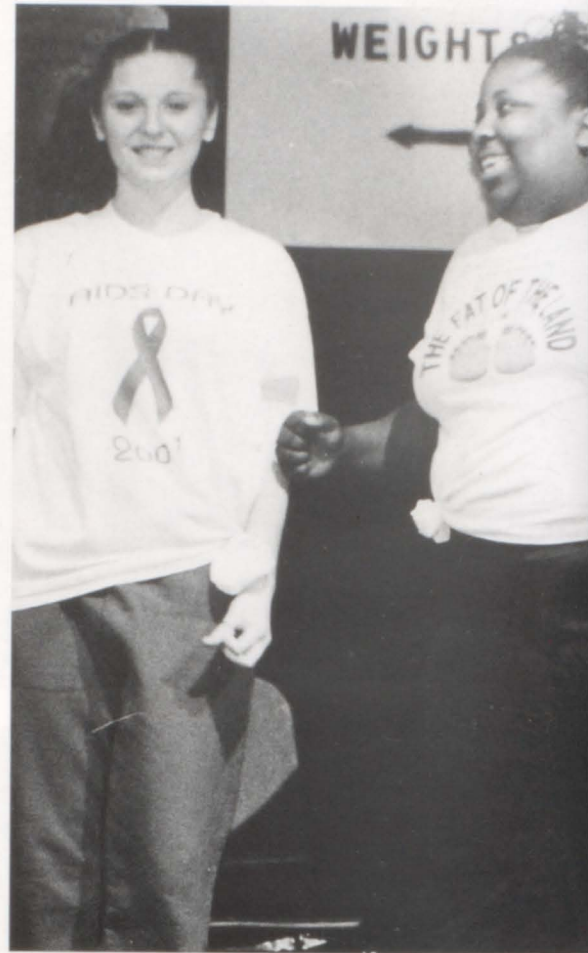
**Name:** Kaylyn Wisehart  
**Grade:** 12  
**Roll:** Helga Abernathy  
**Part in the Triangle:**  
 "Glynnis is my secretary, and she is in love with Duncan, my nephew. There is lots of confusion going on between all of us."



**Name:** Michael Maxwell  
**Grade:** 12  
**Roll:** Duncan Hennessee  
**Part in the Triangle:**  
 "Glynnis is my lover and Helga is my aunt. Glynnis doesn't know Helga and I are related. She thinks that we are dating."



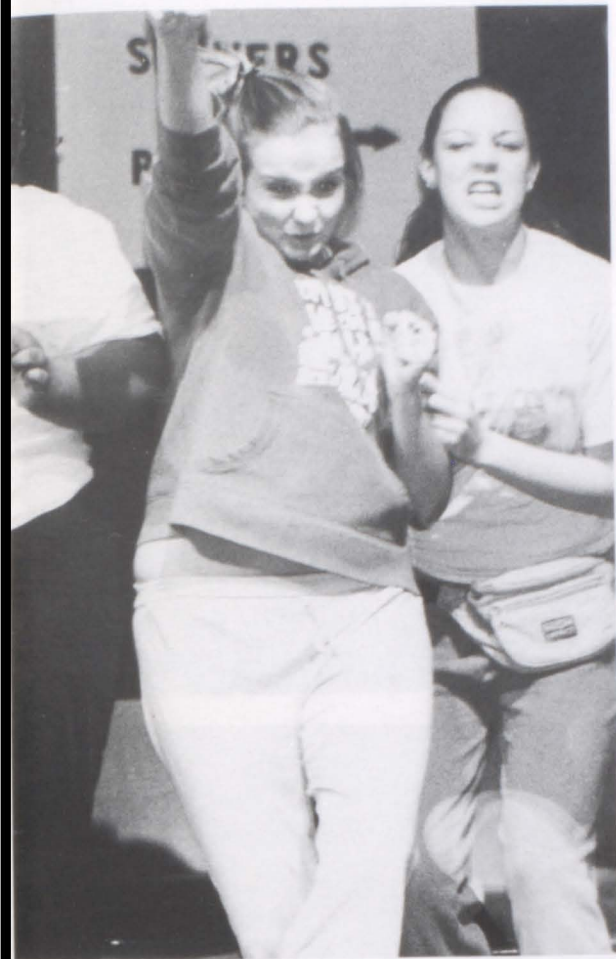
**Name:** Danielle Perica  
**Grade:** 12  
**Roll:** Glynnis Mondello  
**Part in the Triangle:** "I am Helga's secretary, and I help her run her resort. I am in love with Duncan, who I think is dating Helga."



## The Cast

Helga Abernathy.....	Kaylyn Wisehart
Celia Woffard.....	Alyssa Alexander
Doris Funderburk.....	Kim Miser
Nola Barker.....	Anecia Reed
Francis Mulgreevy.....	Cassity Mitchell
Clememtine Platt.....	Megan Smith
Glynnis Mondello.....	Danielle Perica
Duncan Hennessee.....	Michael Maxwell
Ajax.....	Steven Beck
Alvin Funderburk.....	Brandon Hoch
Margaret Flinn.....	Jessi Langley
Director.....	Dan Streit

**D**uncan (senior Michael Maxwell) and the other girls joke around, while he is acting like a nerd, to be what Glynnis (senior Danielle Perica) expected him to be like before meeting him. Meanwhile, a news reporter (sophomore Jessica Langley) writes a bad report about him and he is totally unaware of it.



Glynnis (Perica) finally realizes the truth about Duncan and they confess their love for each other during an introspection. It's a period where the "patients" get to put everything out in the open. Glynnis and Duncan used their time well.



# Spring Play

## The Fat of the Land



Francis (freshmen Cassity Mitchell) hands over her clothes to Helga (senior Kaylyn Wiseheart), her fitness trainer, before being weighed. When approaching the scales, every little bit of weight counts.

What are some of the things the patients at The Thelma Underwood Health Resort are doing to keep from eating?

Some are busy plotting evil schemes against the lawyer who has sinister plans to turn the resort into a parking lot, while others are busy arguing over who will get to date the new biochemist, Duncan. Meanwhile, the rest of the girls are plotting revenge on the evil newspaper reporter. Well, at least they're not eating!

"The Fat of the Land" written by Pat Cook, was the name of the spring play. The play was directed by Mr. Dan Streit, and it took place

on April 15th-16th at 7:30 P.M., in the auditorium.

The tickets were on sale at the door for \$3.00 per adult and \$2.00 for students. The show ran for about an hour and a half, with a 15 minute intermission.

During the intermission, senior Kaylyn Wiseheart performed an original monologue that she wrote for her senior project.

Dress rehearsal took place three days before the production. Most of the student actors brought their own makeup and costumes. Either they bought them from thrift shops or costume shops, or they used some of the costumes from previous years.

—Judith Plumb

## Favorite Thing from Decorating for Prom



**Name:** Dede Cline  
**Grade:** 11  
**Subject:** Prom  
 Decorating

**Favorite Thing:** "Being a part of my class, and helping prom to be great and enjoyable for all."



**Name:** Kori McGinnis  
**Grade:** 11  
**Subject:** Prom  
 Decorating

**Favorite Thing:** "Going to prom and seeing all of my friends faces light up when they saw the decorations that I helped make."



**Name:** Alison Kushman  
**Grade:** 11  
**Subject:** Prom  
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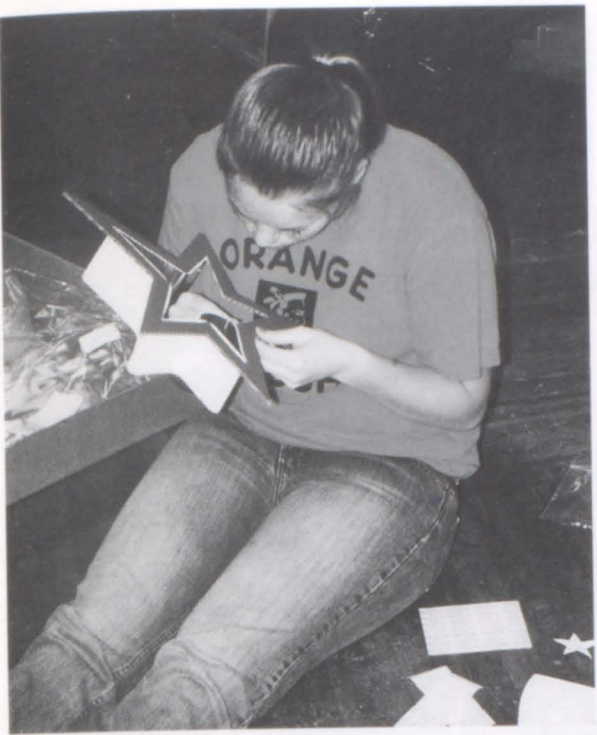
**Favorite Thing:** "Having a blast with my friends. We all had a lot of fun Saturday morning setting up."



**S**ponsors Miss. Adrienne Law and Ms. Megan Orford set up glasses for drinks to choose from like Sprite, Lemonade, Coca Cola and Mr. Pibb.

**J**unior Theresa Wild constructs an arch for the dance floor. The arch was located on the far side of the dance floor. The arch had stars to go with the flow.





Junior DeDe Cline assembles blue stars that coordinate with the blue and silver color theme. The theme for prom was "Only Tonight."



Junior Mandie Lewis glues together stars Saturday morning before prom. "I really enjoyed being a part of prom, knowing that I helped make it look good."



# Jr./Sr. Prom

## Getting Prepared

**O**nly Tonight, was more than just a statement for the 2004 Junior-Senior prom.

New comers Miss Adrienne Law and Ms. Megan Orford took over planning of this years prom. They volunteered for the spot when last years sponsors Mrs. Anne Otrózko and Mrs. Lisa Lugar resigned.

"It was a lot of fun to be a part in such a big tradition," Ms. Orford said. "It took a lot of hard work, but it was worth it to see all of the kids smiling faces."

Prom was held on May 1, 2004 at 8:00 p.m. at Lake of the Forrest Clubhouse.

"We put so much effort into the preparation of this years prom," Miss Law said. "Everyone worked so hard to make this a great prom."

Juniors Mandie Lewis and Alison Cushman set up for prom. They glued stars that were set up randomly throughout the clubhouse.

Juniors came in every chance they had to help prepare. They gave up their lunches and nights after school.

"I felt good knowing that I helped the seniors go out with a bang," Kori McGinnis said. "We really wanted it to be special."

Juniors came in Saturday morning before getting ready for prom and set up. They set up stars that they had made earlier in the week.

"I really liked the colors we chose," Jami Poje said. "I think that everyone really liked silver and blue."

Students finished decorations in just enough time to go home, get beautiful and go out to eat before prom.

"It took a lot of work, but I feel good about the outcome," Malory Stark said. "I just hope that next years juniors can work just as hard and make our prom special too."

—Erick Ratliff

**M**r. Monty Bechard serves a drink to a student during prom which was held on May 1, 2004. "I thought the bartenders were really funny and they looked like they were reminiscing about their prom days," junior Ashley A. Williams said.

### What did you think about Prom?



**Name:** Jami Poje  
**Grade:** 11th

**What did you notice the most about prom:**  
"I really noticed that no one stood out and every looked the same no one was different."



**Name:** Autumn Hansen  
**Grade:** 12th

**What did you enjoy about Prom:** "I enjoyed being with my friends and dancing the night away."



**Name:** Jamie Waldo  
**Grade:** 12th

**Was prom better than you expected:** "I liked prom better than last year because it had better music and we had dedications too."



**S**enior Jamie Waldo and her boyfriend Junior Scott Link, smile and look into each others eyes while slow dancing. "I thought the music seemed like they got it from the 80's or something, but it was still fun and the music was good," Link said.







After being announced as King and Queen, seniors Alanna Smith and Kenny Mack take a picture for the camera. The other nominees were: Juls Fowler, Amanda Boddy, Kim Bourn, Kristy Holt, Drew Hess, Danny Gardner, James Hovey and Tyler Mills.

Senior Timothy Edwards and his prom date get instructions from the photographer on how to pose. "I think that the photographers did a very good job. They also had a pretty back ground," junior Kellie Lemon said.



## Prom

"Only Tonight"



Buying a new dress, new suit, new shoes and saving every dime they had was what many seniors and juniors had to do to prepare for Prom. Prom was a time where people dressed their best and hung out with their friends.

"I was really looking forward to getting all dressed up and getting to see Darrin, my boyfriend, wearing a tux," junior Judith Plumb said. "He swore up and down he would not wear one, but I persuaded him to wear one for me."

As a tradition, the junior class planned and decorated for Prom. In the middle of the year, the juniors

Filling the dance floor with a slow song, a few couples gaze into each others eyes. "At first I thought prom was not going to be fun, but it turned out better than I thought," senior Leslie Davis said.

came together with the Prom sponsors, Ms. Megan Orford and Ms. Adrienne Law and they began to plan and ask other students for advice.

"I think that prom was successful this year. It was our first time as sponsors and we had a lot of fun with it," Orford said. "We have to thank the students that put in a lot of work on the decorations."

About 250 students attended Prom. The colors for prom was black, silver, and blue. The decorations were stars, moons, and lights. It was held at Lake of the Forest Clubhouse from 8:00p.m. to 11:00p.m.

"Prom turned out great. The decorations were awesome," Law said.

—Anecia Reed

## Why Did You Choose This Project?



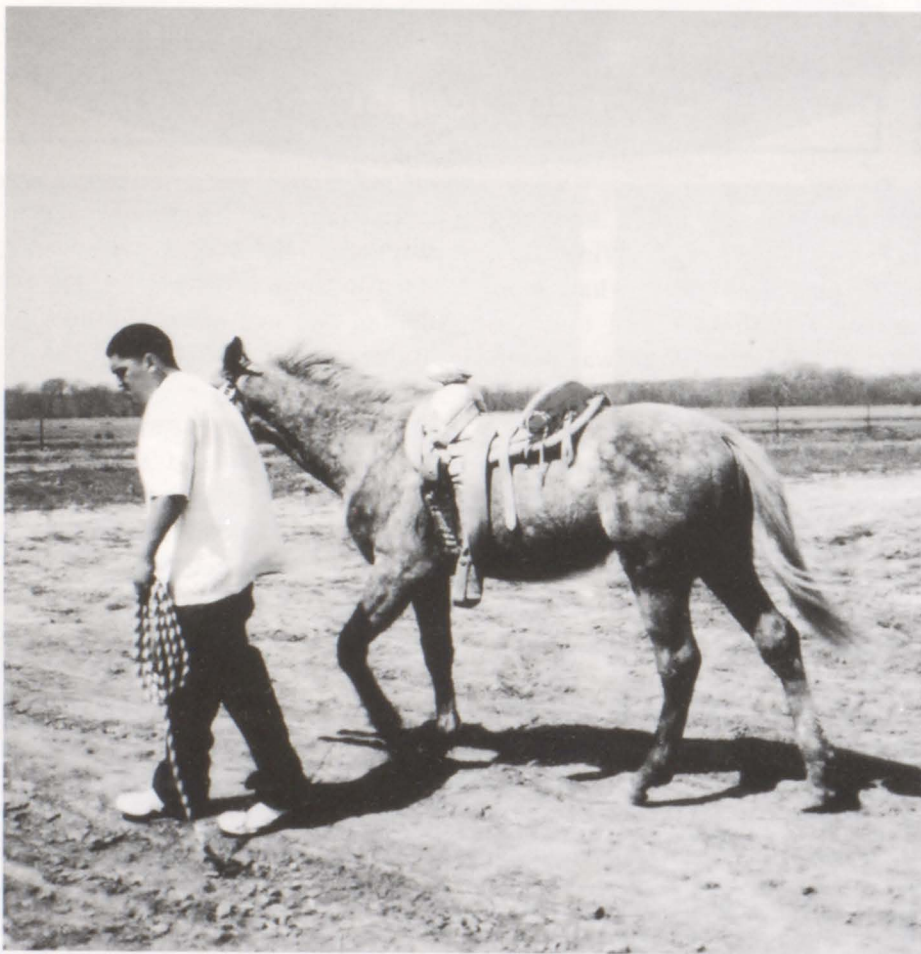
**Name:** Tim Crawford  
**Project:** Making a band  
**Quote:** "I always wanted to be in a band, and I knew that I could put together some really good and talented people."



**Name:** Derek Larson  
**Project:** Creating a tattoo portfolio  
**Quote:** "I did my project because it was a chance to fulfill a life long dream."



**Name:** Sarah Goodin  
**Project:** Working with Youthfriends and the Migrant Program  
**Quote:** "I like working with kids, and I want to go to college and major in elementary education."



**A**rmando Acosta leads his horse in lunges for his senior project. "It wasn't that hard. The hard part was having to drive out to my horse everyday. It took about twenty minutes to get there," Acosta said.

**D**uring senior boards, Danielle Putnam received minor honors for her presentation to the board, which was the highest mark that seniors could get.





Mrs. Terry Kjar and Mr. Joe Diponio, along with other members of the board watch as seniors present their presentations. The members sat through six to eight presentations and evaluated each one.

LeShae Walls and her father smile together after graduation. For Wall's senior project, she searched for her lost father, whom she finally saw for the first time at graduation.



# Senior Project

## Stressin' Them Out

Senior projects—the two most dreaded words heard by any senior. They try to complete an unseemable task, knowing that if they don't they will not pass.

"I believe the senior project was great for the fact that you learned so many life lessons," senior Kim Bourn said. "But it was a little too much. It needed to be condensed. Another downfall was the fact that it determined if you graduated or not."

The basis of the senior project was for seniors to take a risk, make a connection, do something out of their comfort zone, or to make some kind of a difference in someone else's life.

The senior projects were all

different. They ranged from painting a car to finding a loved one that they had never met. Every senior got something different out of the project.

"The most rewarding part of my senior project was all the compliments on it," senior Tiffany Bush said. "I made baby quilts for abused or abandoned babies. Over all it was great!"

Along with Bush eight other seniors received gold honors for their projects.

Although most seniors were stressed out over getting their projects and forms turned in by the deadline, it turned out that students found it to be a great life experience.

"It was a good learning experience because I learned new skills. I also learned more about myself," senior Matthew Middleton said.

—Cortney Harding

During her practice presentation in Mrs. Nancy Yankovich's class, Megan Smith tells about her project. Smith's project was to learn how to scuba drive and get certified.



## What did you think of your senior year?



**Name:** Kim Bourn  
**Subject:** Senior Year  
**Quote:** "I feel that my senior year was great. The best was towards the end when everyone started hanging out together and getting along better."



**Name:** Ondrea Hall  
**Subject:** Senior Year  
**Quote:** "It was great I had a lot of fun. I really didn't get involved though."



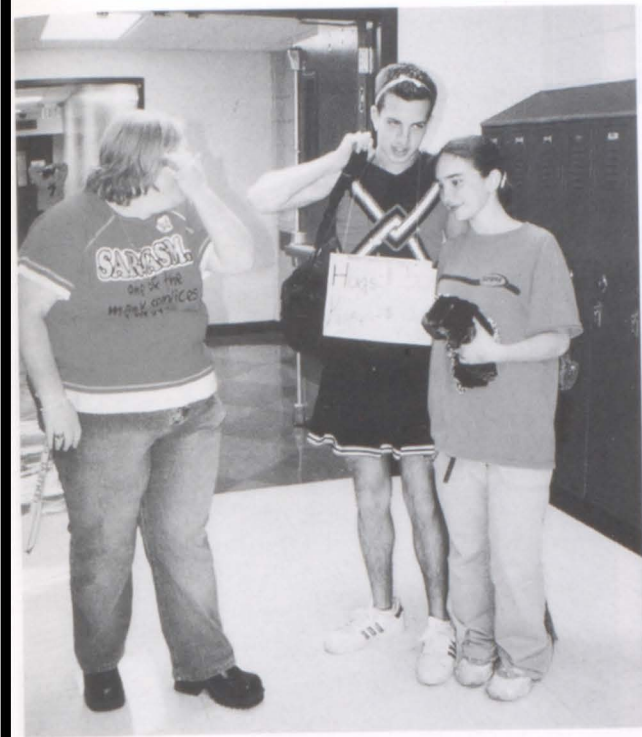
**Name:** Autumn Hansen  
**Subject:** Senior Year  
**Quote:** "Free at last! Free at last! Thank God almighty, we are Free at last!"  
 —Martin Luther King Jr.



**A**lexis Kimbrough and Alanna Smith pick up their caps and gowns on the last day of school. The seniors also spent this time to say their good-byes to friends and teachers.

**A**thana Byrd and Leslie Davis run around and shoot 'Silly String' with each other after they received their caps and gowns. After school was out, some seniors stuck around to talk about old times and the future ahead of them.





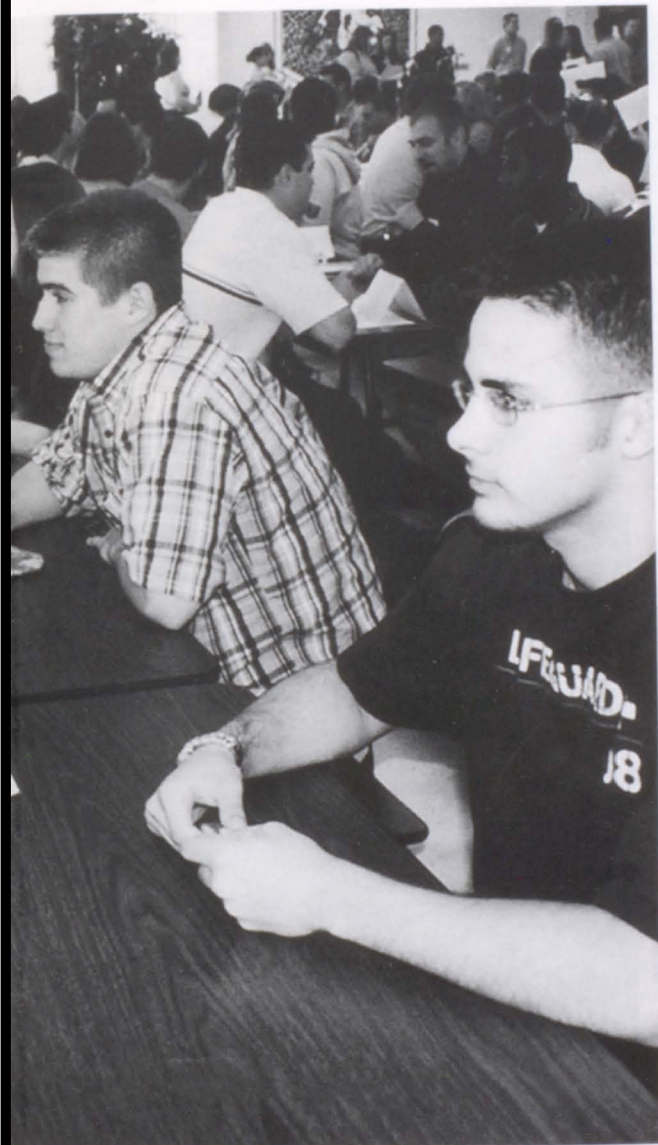
Juniors Ashley King and Jessica Vogel, talk to their servant, Michael Maxwell. On April 29, underclassman had the chance to purchase seniors and could have them do anything that was school appropriate.

Savannah Rentie and Max Smith pick up their caps and gowns on the last day of school. Seniors could pick up their caps and gowns at 2:00 or after their last finals were taken.



# The Last Days

So long... for a while...



The one thing that seniors wait for: the last day of school. The countdown began on Aug. 20 and ended on May 12. May 12 was printed into every senior's memory. The day they could walk out those doors and kiss their high school lives good-bye. Next stop, college.

"Your high school countdown ends and then the count down for college begins," Dee Adger said.

As seniors said good-bye, they didn't have regrets and were happy to be away, or were they?

"I am excited to be out. Oh Yeah! But wait, what about my

friends, and what about Steven [Beck]?"—Michael Maxwell said.

After graduation the seniors met back at the school around 10:30 p.m. where they played 'Duck Duck Goose' and pigged out on pizza and pop. Later on the seniors boarded a bus and went to Finnigans in North Kansas City for Project Graduation.

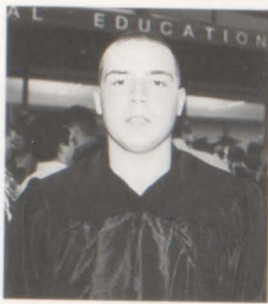
When the seniors got there, they waited in line to receive their \$10 dollars for the arcade and a camera, so that they could capture their last time together. The seniors also had a buffet available to them all night, which included sundaes, tacos and pizza.

Seniors could also play miniature golf, race go-karts, bowl, ride a bull, use the velcro wall, or sing karaoke. At the end of the night they all came together and sang the Boyz II Men song, "How Do I Say Goodbye to Yesterday."

—Sarah Goodin

Seniors Brandon Crawley and Brett Shelton, along with other seniors meet with their e-mentors on May 5. The seniors were paired up with people in the community that they had similar interest with. They achieved this with the help of Larry Berg, who was in charge of the whole e-mentoring project.

## What does it feel like to be a Graduate?



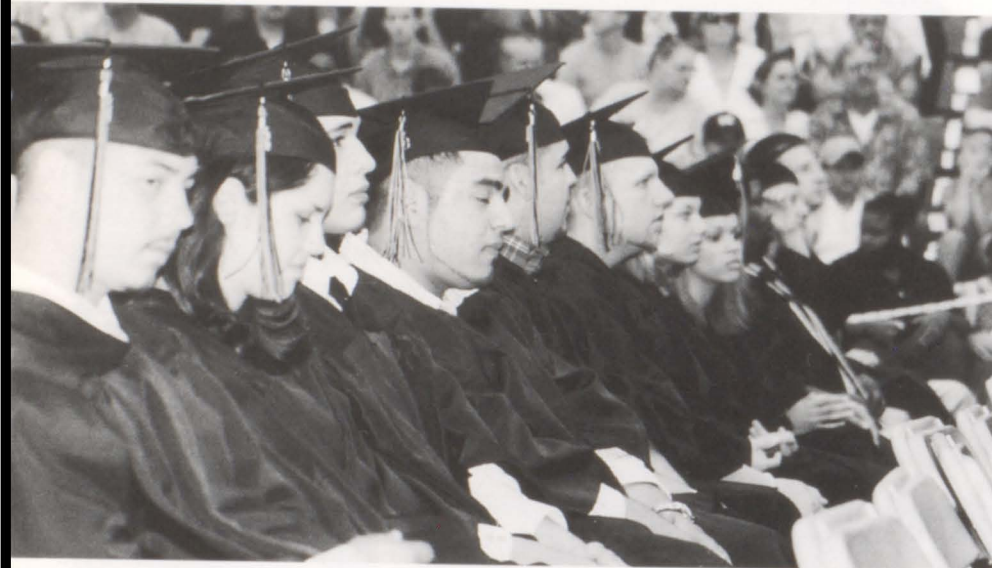
**Name:** Frank Vogan  
**Grade:** 12  
**Subject:** Graduation  
**How do you feel now:**  
 "I feel really good now that I have graduated, now I have a lot more free time."



**Name:** Alex Alexander  
**Grade:** 12  
**Subject:** Graduation  
**How do you feel now:**  
 "I feel that a lot of weight has been lifted off of me and now I have time to my self until college."



**Name:** Vicky Reynolds  
**Grade:** 12  
**Subject:** Graduation  
**Favorite Thing:** "My favorite thing about graduation was when my name was called and I was walking across the stage."



**O**ndrea Hall takes her first steps into the "real world" as Mrs. Linda Orangkhadivi watches. Mrs. Orangkhadivi helped in the assistance of graduation.

**C**hristopher Salazar, along with the rest of the soon-to-be graduates wait to be called to receive their diplomas.



**S**tacy Belknap looks up into the crowd. She was giving her family one last look before she crossed the stage.





**J**ulianne Folwer hugs a fellow graduate with tears in her eyes and a smile on her face. For many, graduation was a very emotional time.

**F**or the class of 2004 there were five Valedictorians and one salutatorian. **Front Row:** Cara Harding, Echo Prather, Autumn Hansen. **Back Row:** Katy Kirk, Parker Bolejack, Chris Pike.



# Graduation

Out Of The Old, Into The New



**B**accalaureate took place the day of graduation. Fellow graduates came together to say a prayer before they moved on with their lives. Baccalaureate was held at 2p.m. in the high school auditorium.

To open up the service, senior Kenny Mack started with a prayer. After the prayer, the A Cappella choir sang "God of Wonders" as well as "It Is Well With My Soul."

Alex Alexander gave a speech to the seniors, thanking everyone for letting new people into their lives with open arms and open hearts. Kim Miser sang a

**G**enella Mooney gives Mr. Lewis Wood one final hand shake while being handed her "diploma." The real diplomas were actually waiting in Student Services to be picked up.

solo version of "Draw Me Closer" which brought many to tears.

Some of the students performed a skit called "The Drive Thru"/ "One Minute." Parker Bolejack ended the service with a closing prayer.

Graduation was the end of one half of life and yet it was the beginning of the other half. During the actual graduation there were many smiles, and even some tears. Like every year, the valedictorians and salutatorian gave their speeches, but this year was a little bit different. Each of them had a whistle to make sure that all eyes were on them.

"There are four times in your life where everyone should be paying full attention to you, your birth, your graduation, your wedding, and when you pass," senior Tara Eveland said.

—Teann Eveland

What was your favorite Project Graduation memory?



**Name:** Kristy Holt  
**Grade:** 12  
**Quote:** "I liked at the end of Project Grad. when everyone was singing. That was fun!"



**Name:** Whitney Peterson  
**Grade:** 12  
**Quote:** "I was riding go-karts with two guys and they both crashed into me at the same time and we broke the side of the track."



**Name:** Heidi Schweizer  
**Grade:** 12  
**Quote:** "I liked how we got to just walk around and do a variety of things, and it was all free!"



**A**lanna Smith, Michael Maxwell, and Ashley Pardew get their freak on on the dance floor at Project Graduation. All night the seniors danced and sang karaoke.

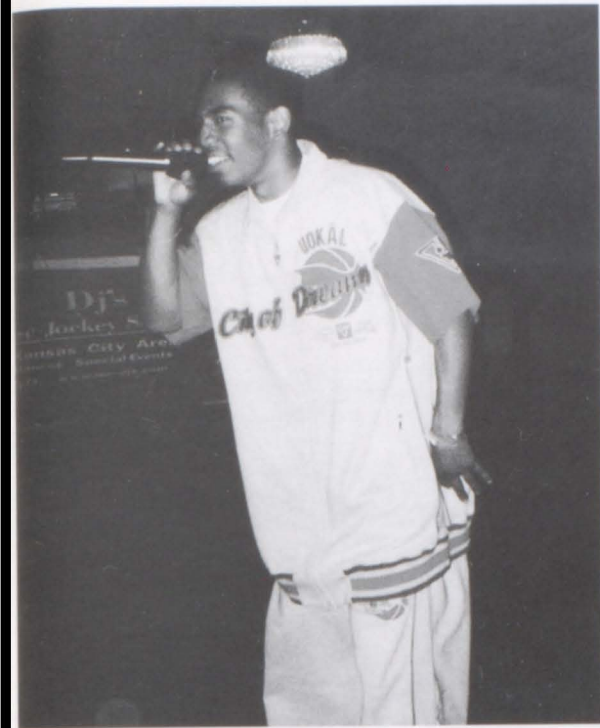
**S**hayla Davis and Ashley McConico Sact like kids again on the playground equipment at the senior picnic. The senior picnic was held on May 14 following graduation rehearsal.





**K**enny Mack entertains the crowd at Project Graduation with his karaoke rendition of "Burn" by Usher. Mack was partnered by Matt Middleton for a duet.

**R**.T. Williams floors it on the go-kart track at Project Graduation. Seniors got to race three laps. When the stoplight turned red, the turn was over.



# Project Grad.

Grasping onto Final Moments

**F**or the last time all the seniors had to cram into a smelly old bus and ride together one more time to Finnigan's, the spot for Project Graduation.

After graduation all the seniors met at the high school at 10:00 where they reminisced, and a few even played Duck, Duck, Goose. When the buses were loaded the seniors were off to have their very last memory together.

At Project Graduation, they all waited in line to receive a roll of quarters to play games in the arcade. All the funding was done throughout the year by the parents of the seniors.

On arrival the seniors found food awaiting them. There were tacos and ice cream and right across the

**A**utumn Hansen finally gets to meet her e-mentor. All the seniors had e-mentors they didn't get to see until May 5. E-mentors are a part of the Youthfriends program and offer students their advice through e-mails.

hall there were posters assigned to each classmate. On the posters anyone could write a final comment to any of their high school friends.

Kristy Holt was brave enough to ride the mechanical bull only to end up getting stitches, and Chris Pike was finally comfortable enough with his classmates to come out of his shell and dance.

For the last time, Dee Adger amazed the senior crowd with his techno dance moves, and many other seniors had the times of their lives hurling onto a velcro wall, racing Go-Karts, singing karaoke, and knocking down all the pins in bowling.

At the end of the night, the class of 2004 came together one last time to sing a group song. The Boyz II Men song, "How Do I Say Goodbye To Yesterday" will always hold a place in the heart of every senior in the class of 2004.

—Michael Maxwell

## December 2003

### *Community*

- The local McDonalds, which was under construction, burned to the ground on Dec. 30 because of a mistake when welding on the roof.

## March 2004

### *World News*

- March 5, 2004, Martha Stewart was convicted of federal charges of obstruction of justice and lying to investigators. Later in May, the key witness, Larry Stewart, was convicted of committing perjury on the stand at the trial. An appeal was expected.

Source: Debbie Tuma, *Independent Newspapers*

## March 2003

### *World News*

- "In March of 2003, Saddam Hussein and his regime was overthrown by U.S. and British forces. Later, after his disappearance, Hussien was found hiding in a small underground pit on a farm near the town of Tikrit."

Source:

<<http://who2.com.saddamhussein.html>>

- In a 4-3 ruling, the court gave the Mawssachusetts state Legislature six months to rewrite the state's marriage laws for the benefit of gay couples. Vermont is the only state in the United States that allows same-sex couples the rights and benefits of marriage.

Source:<[www.cnn.com](http://www.cnn.com)>

### *World News*

## March-May 2004

## November 2003

### *World News*

- Pop star Michael Jackson was arrested in Santa Barbara, California on seven charges of child molestation .

Source:<<http://is1.websearch.com>>

## February 2003

- On Feb. 6, 2004, due to a complication with the news, Bonner Springs was listed for a snow day. Out of 660 enrolled students in the high school, 443 were absent that day.

### *Community*



Photo courtesy of Kevin Anderson, *The Chieftain*



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## May 2004

### *Community*

- Veteran Harry Kelley waved to the crowd on Oak Street during the Loyalty Day Parade. Kelley is with the VFW Post 11499 in Basehor.

## February 2004

### *World News*

- At the Superbowl half-time show, pop stars Janet Jackson and Justin Timberlake performed together. While performing, Timberlake ripped off part of Jackson's wardrobe causing much debate and controversy. They concluded the accident was a wardrobe malfunction.

Source: <<http://websearch.about.com>>

## Election 2004

### *World News*

- For presidency, many candidates ran in the race. At the end, the race came down to John Kerry, Democrat and George Bush, Republican.

## April 2004

### *World News*

- Condoleezza Rice, White House national security advisor, testified that President Bush received a briefing warning of Osama bin Laden's intent to strike the U.S. with terrorists attacks one month before the Sept. 11, 2001 attacks.

Source:

<<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/4693043>>

## March 2004

### *Community*

- A murderer was expected to be in the Bonner Springs community on March 5. As a result, the school was locked down for at least 15 minutes while the police surveyed the area with no results. The killer was later found in Kansas City.

Photo and information courtesy of Kevin Anderson, *The Chieftain*

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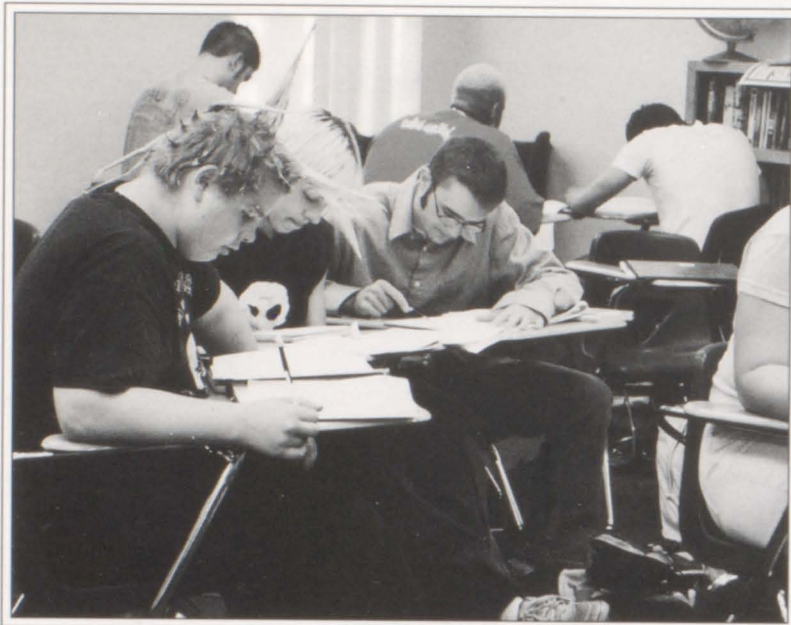
## April 2004

- On Saturday April 3, two Edwardsville paramedics, Tye Brown and Catherine Malone, were murdered. It was stated that the estranged husband of Malone murdered them and then committed suicide. At a small memorial outside the Station, 15-year old Heather Zordel leaves flowers at the base of the flagpole. Zordel's step-father was the second Edwardsville police officer to arrive at the station.

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**S**enior Kenny "Nelly" Mack pumps up the seniors during the winter pep assembly. "It was one of my most memorable moments at BSHS!" Mack said. Many seniors participated in this show such as an appearance by Jess "Austin Powers" Buck.



**S**eniors Derek Larson, Tim Crawford and Larry Beck in Ms. Nancy Yankovich's senior English class work on their research paper outline in preparation for writing their senior paper. "Doing the outline helped me get ready to write my paper. Having it as a guide was a huge help," Larson said.

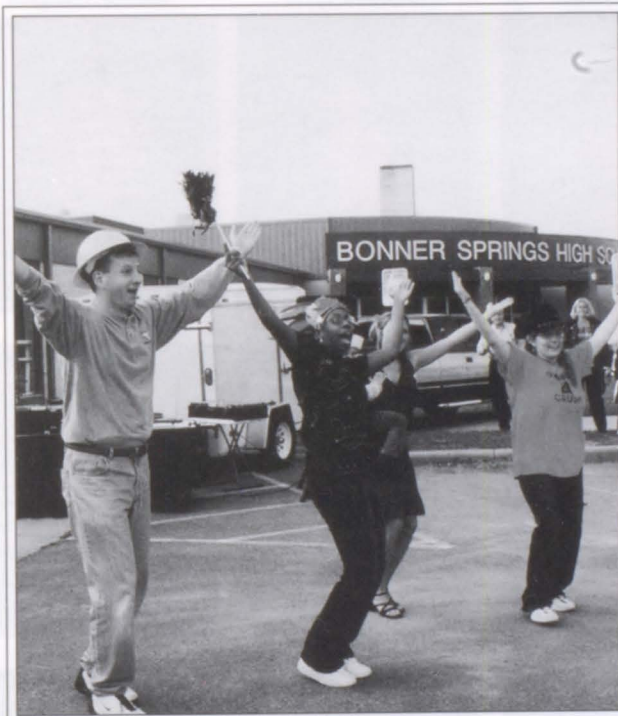


**J**unior Emily Dougherty does a pull-up during lunch while recruiters from the army were here. "I plan on enlisting this June in either the Marines or the Army. I'm doing this to prove to myself that I can do anything I set my mind to." Dougherty said.





**E**njoying his orange smoothie, senior Erick Ratliff takes a break while at the KSPA (Kansas State Press Association) fall conference held at the University of Kansas. "I learned a lot of valuable information about photography for yearbook class," Ratliff said.



**M**r. John Rost, Mrs. Jenny Myers, junior Krisse Lee and junior Jami Poje do the YMCA at the pep rally before the Homecoming game. "I decided to get up and do the YMCA because Mr. Rost was doing it," Lee said.

## PEOPLE

**P**eople: A mass of ordinary persons. Do we really consider that definition to be true to the Braves?

Well, we walk by them in the hallways, cheer them on at games, we make life long friendships with them, and sometimes we even break up with them. Without our friends, teachers, and enemies, we wouldn't get to enjoy such things as Mr. Bob Caldwell's crazy antics or Mrs. Deena Burns' consistent smile or even Mr. Dan Streit's radio voice on the Braves Broadcast line. We will always remember these people for their eccentricities and their uniqueness.

But what happens twenty years from now? Will we remember the time we broke up with our boyfriend and thought the world was over? Or the time we had a chance at helping out a friend but blew it off as an inconvenience? Hopefully, we will remember these hard times as much as the good. Ordinary is hardly the term we should use when talking about the people called Braves!

—Ashley A Williams

*Remembering our*

# FRIENDS



Armando Acosta



Dee Adger



Alex Alexander



Beth Ashford



Philip Bailey



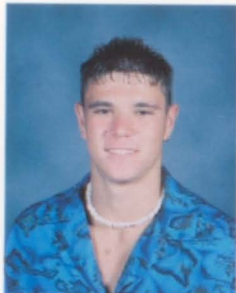
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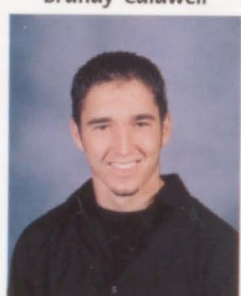
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Carlos Gonzalez



Sarah Goodin



Kyle Gray



Drew Hess



James Heston



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What seniors  
will miss the  
most at  
BSHS

*"Marching band,  
friends, teachers and  
the colors orange and  
black."  
— Alexis Kimbrough*

Decked out in their  
orange and black,  
the fans at a home football  
game cheer on the Braves.



*"The biscuits and  
gravy every morning."  
— Matt Brentlinger*

*"The football games,  
musicals and dramas is  
what I am gonna' miss  
most!"  
— Alex Alexander*



*"The couch—the best  
place to chill at. I did a lot  
of homework there."  
— Dee Adger*

A group of senior boys  
relax on the senior  
couches before school.

Athana Byrd and Megan Smith gander at the scholarship board by student services. This board listed some of the scholarships that could be found in student services and how to apply for them. "I looked into the scholarship at KU, UCLA, Notre Dame, and Texas A&M. All of them want essays and interviews with me," Byrd said.

## *Paying the Way*

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*"Senior expenses are different from being a freshman because you need a car, graduation announcements, and all the other necessities."*

—Gwen Peters

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Most seniors would agree that their senior year was intended to be the most expensive year in their high school career. They had the option to buy senior pictures, graduation announcements, prom accessories, senior shirts and senior project items. Plus, some had to worry about car payments, car insurance and gas.

"Some of my biggest expenses as a senior would have to be on my senior project. I put so much money into my truck that it will be broke before I get anywhere," senior Adam Wise said.

Some seniors knew they would have expenses, so

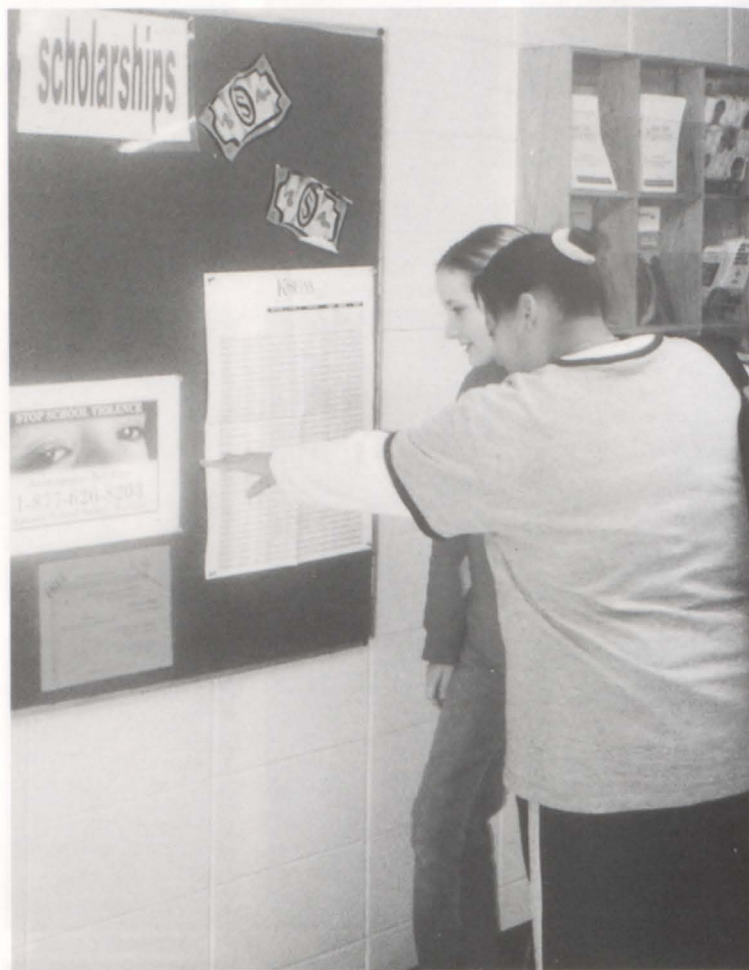
they made some extra cutbacks.

"I had to work a lot more and actually had to save my money instead of blowing it on things I didn't need," senior Sam Bond said.

Even though seniors had expenses, they didn't find them that bothersome and used them as a life learning experience.

"This was the biggest and last of my high school years, and with that there was more because this was a stage of life where we deserved anything but had to learn how to handle this responsibility," senior Ondrea Hall said.

—Sarah Goodin



Taking time out of her busy schedule Megan Blake fills up the gas tank in her '98 Hyundai Accent. "It's really expensive to have a car because you have to keep up with the payments, insurance and the horrible gas prices, its like you are pouring all of your money into your car," Blake said.





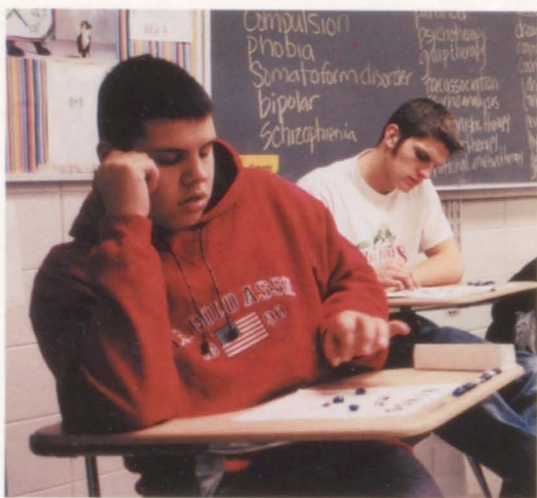
**T**alking on her cell phone, Jamie Waldo drives her 2001 Dodge Neon down the road in front of the school. "I think my car insurance is my biggest expense, my whole paycheck goes toward my car insurance," Waldo said.

**L**eeana Johnson and Maria Monroy chat with Mr. Bob Caldwell about the cost of taking college credits through K.C.K.C.C. or Donnelly College. "It benefits those who want to get a jumpstart on college credit courses and who want to seek a better education without paying for the full college expenses," Johnson said.

**E**verett Shepherd takes his 2002 Mitsubishi Lancer OZ RALLY for a spin around the parking lot at school. "For the next 6 years, all of my money will be going towards my car; improving it," Shepherd said.

# Seniors' favorite memories

"My favorite memory was going to California with my A Capella class."  
— Heather Weaver



"My favorite memory was having fun in Mrs. [Jennifer] Schlicht's class. Joking around was the best part of that class."  
—Echo Prather

Mark Fox and Max Smith play bingo during Mrs. Jennifer Schlicht's human behavior class.



"The good friends I have made, and the great teachers I have learned from."  
—Autumn Hanson

"My junior year when Ryan Silvers, Myjestic Hickmon and I wore our singlets to school."  
— Jess Buck

Kim Bourn and Brett Shelton work on the senior float during Homecoming week.



Kristy Holt



Amber Houts



James Hovey



Zach Kirschner



Ryan Kramer



Brad Kruger



Nik Maynard



Amber McAvo



Ashley McConico



Maria Monroy



Genella Mooney



Dustin Mulich



Gwen Peters



Whitney Peterson



Megan Phillips



Anecia Reed



Savannah Rentie



Nicole Reynolds



Julie Jackson



Chris Johnson



Leeana Johnson



Alexis Kimbrough



Don Kirby



Katy Kirk



Derek Larson



Clemente Luna



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Heather Mallonee



Alisha Mathiesen



Michael Maxwell



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Jonathan McIntyre



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Matthew Middleton



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Brian Null



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Josh Padilla



Ashley Pardew



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Danielle Perica



Chris Pike



Nyse Pinks



Echo Prather



Chris Pratt



Danielle Putnam



Erick Ratliff



Vicky Reynolds



Patrick Roark



Eleazar Rodriquez



Adam Romero



Lorenzo Romo



Adriana Ruiz

# Fashions to Remember



The favorite teacher in 2004 is Mrs. Chris Wood, but Ms. Nancy Yankovich was only one vote shy. Although Mrs. Wood was the favorite, one of her most popular nicknames was "The Homework Witch."

A poll was taken to reveal some of the seniors favorite things. The poll was taken during seminar, by seniors only, and even though the whole class of 2004 did not get to participate, here are the results of 80 seniors who did.

—Michael Maxwell

## Class of '04 Favorites

**Car:** 1) Camaro  
2) Escalade

**Restaurant:** 1) Applebee's  
2) Red Fortune

**Fast food:** 1) Taco Bell  
2) McDonald's

**Store:** 1) Best Buy  
2) Wal-Mart

**Hangout:** 1) Friend's House  
2) Movies

**Movie:** 1) 2 Fast 2 Furious  
2) Dumb & Dumber

**Radio Station:** 1) 95.7  
2) 103.3



To top the outfits, seniors polled that rings are their favorite accessories. For those who don't like to sport the ring, the seniors second favorite choice were bracelets.

Curve came in second place only to Tommy Hilfiger for the number one cologne. Also on the top of the list was Tommy Girl, and the next best thing is Very Sexy by Victoria's Secret.



*T*he senior class chose to wear Old Navy shirts over all, but old style Hollister shirts were a close second. Class of '04 agreed that American Eagle jeans were good, but Lucky brand were best.

*T*he favorite shoe for the senior class was Adidas, and their second favorite was Nike. "I like the way Adidas look, and the way they feel. Plus they last longer!" senior Megan Smith said.



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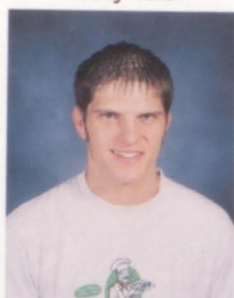
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Nicole Wright



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Krystal Sims



Jennifer Sullivan



Stephanie Thomas

# Senior advice for the underclassmen

*"Senior Internship! Everyone should be in it! Why go to school when you can sleep, hangout with your friends or make money!"*

— Amanda Boddy

*"Stay on task, even if things get hard out of school always remember education is first."*

— Ashley Pardew



**D**rew Hess works on his senior project which was a football video about himself.

*"Get your senior project finished in your first semester because the second semester gets stressful with college and your paper."*

— Pat Roark

*"Make sure you stay up in all of your classes. Take the classes that will benefit you when you get older."*

— Matt Middleton



**N**ot Pictured in Panels: Matt Brentlinger, Janet Hoskins, Larry Beck, Jason Blair. **N**ot Pictured: Terrance Davis, Timothy Edwards, Randi Miller, Roy Mortell, Jamie Vaughan.



# Class of 2004

**S**eniors Jesse Vaughan and Dustin Mulich measure around a pole in front of the office. They were thinking about making a totem pole for a wood tech project.



Senior Jess Buck pushes the Dragon Swing at the Renaissance Festival. "It weighs 600 pounds, but with eight people in it, it can weigh up to 1500 pounds," Buck said.

# Making Money for Credit

It's 2:50 and school is out. It's time to go home, but for many seniors, it was time to go to their jobs. Many seniors had the responsibility of balancing a job along with school.

"I need money," was one of the most common phrases spoken among the senior class.

Some took advantage of senior internship to get started in their job force.

"I liked working because it can get me out of school earlier, and I used the money to pay for car payments, bills and tickets," Matt Brentlinger said.

Others worked to take care of graduation credits.

"I worked to be in senior internship and to make money for bills that my parents didn't pay for once I turned 16," Vicky Reynolds said.

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*"If I could have a choice, I wouldn't work my senior year, but I needed money."*

*—Megan Smith*

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Due to senior internship, seniors had different times when they did their homework.

"I did my homework right before school. I went to ATS until 10:30, then came to school and did my homework," senior Roy Mortell said.

Others did their homework after work.

"Depending on what time I had to work, I usually did my homework after I got home between ten and eleven at night. Then stayed up until one or two in the morning depending on how much homework I had," senior Samantha Bond said.

Out of a survey of 60 seniors, 63% liked their jobs, 13% didn't like their jobs, 22% felt okay with their jobs.

*—Kari Meints*



Senior Joe Wiggins talks on the phone at the Bonner Springs YMCA. Part of his responsibilities were answering important questions, looking up account information and giving tours.

Senior Johnathan Woodall sits on his post as a lifeguard at the YMCA. "Being a lifeguard was fun, but really slow during the day. For the most part was old people just floating around in the pool. The work is easy with school and with sports," Woodall said.





Senior Everett Shepherd threads film at Westglen 18 movie theater. " Depending on the movie, a one and a half hour movie will have five reels and a two and a half hour movie will have approximately eight to ten reels. I like being upstairs by myself where I don't have to worry about anything," Shepherd said.



Senior Echo Prather, an assistant teacher at Children's World on Johnson Drive, tickles a youth in her class. "I like getting to meet with kids and seeing how they grow and change. It's neat to see the development of a little human being, a few months old to two," Prather said.

# THE BEST OF



Most Athletic

*Kristy Holt and Drew Hess*



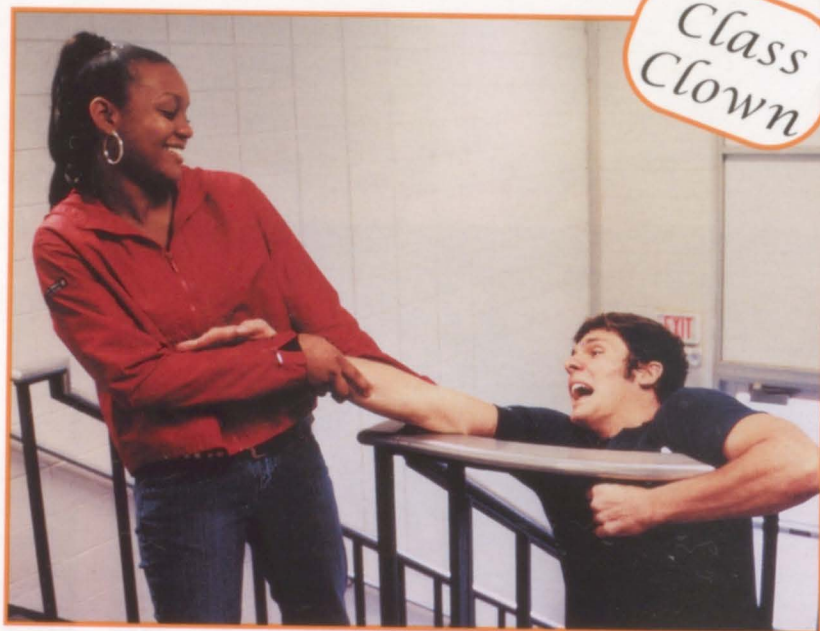
Most Friendly

*Danielle Perica and Michael Maxwell*



Prettiest Eyes

*Broderick Burgess and Alisha Mathiesen*



Class Clown

*LeShae Walls and Ryan Silvers*

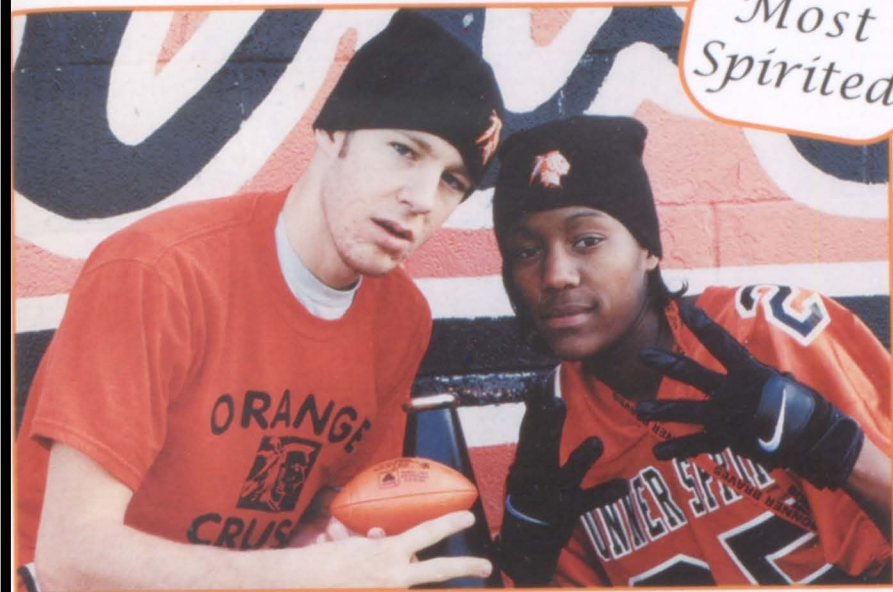


Biggest Flirt

*Corie Crouch and Erick Ratliff*

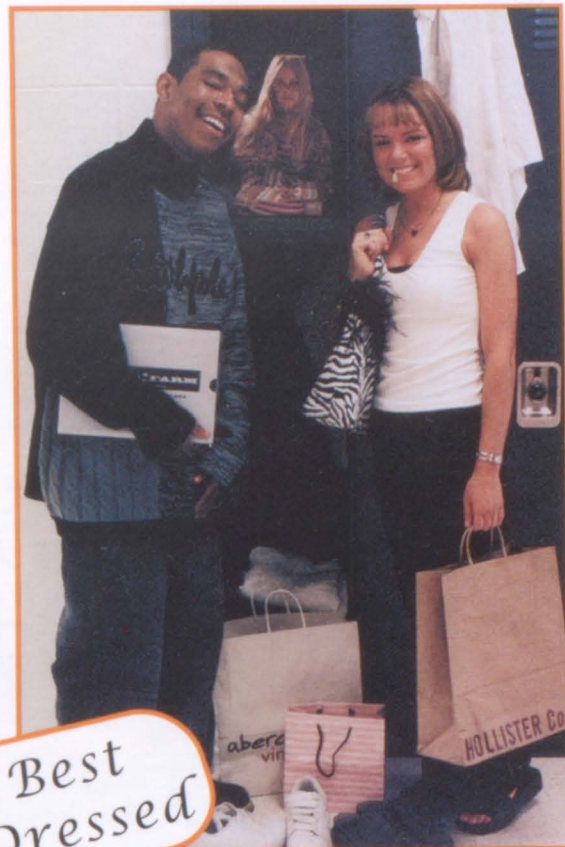
# THE BEST

Most Spirited



*Philip Bailey and Alexis Kimbrough*

Best Dressed



*Kenny Mack and Tara Eveland*

Best Smile



*Whitney Peterson and Matthew Middleton*

Biggest Partier



*Jess Buck and Ashley Pardew*

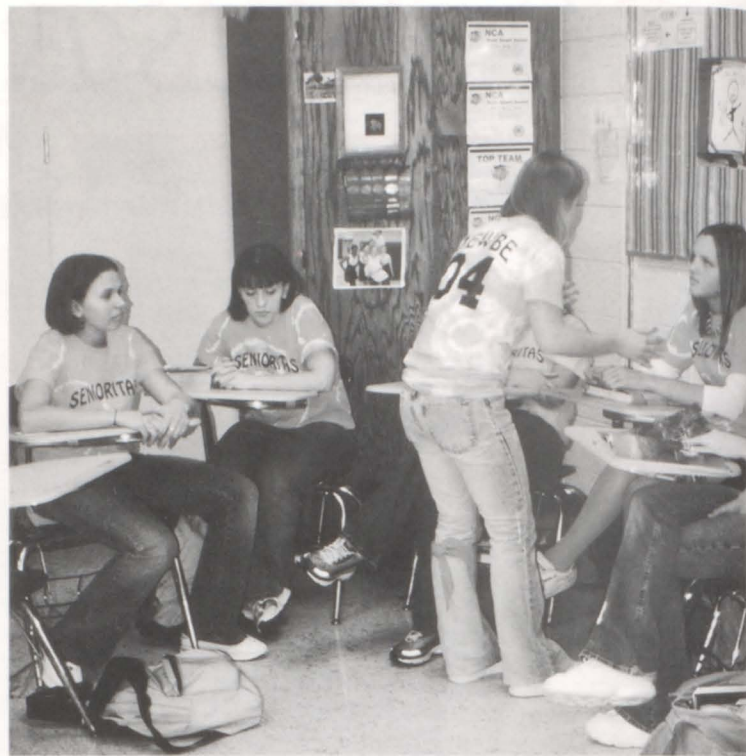
Most Buff



*Danny Gardner and Nyse Pinks*

While seniors Ashely Pardew and Kristy Holt discuss the senior shirts in Mrs. Jennifer Schlicht's fourth hour human behavior class, seniors Whitney Peterson and Echo Prather wait for class to get started. "I think it brings a lot of school spirit, because before you didn't see people wearing orange and now you do. Also, it is fun to see people's nicknames on the back," senior Morgan Escott said.

# Keeping Traditions Alive



**T**radition: The handing down of customs, beliefs, etc. from generation to generation by word of mouth rather than in written records.

One of the most favorite traditions is the Kayettes Powder Puff game, which has been around for about 35 years. In this event, girls play football and the boys cheer.

"Except for the tight clothes and makeup, I liked being thrown in the air. It was exciting, except when they dropped me," senior Kevin Dame said.

Another tradition is the senior shirts. Each year a few seniors design the shirts. Every year the shirts are different, depending on the seniors' creativity.

"I thought of the idea of tie-dye for the senior shirts because I've never seen a class or club that had them and I wanted '04 to be different," senior Kristy Holt said.

One of the oldest traditions is the Homecoming Float construction contest. Each class worked together to make the best float and the winners of the float were announced at the Homecoming game.

Another tradition is Senior Servant Day. This is where an underclassmen bought a senior and that senior was their servant for the day.

However, some traditions changed, like the senior benches. Instead of benches, the Class of 2004 had senior couches, which were placed in the same place as the benches were. These couches were "reserved" for seniors only, just like the benches were.

"I like them (the couches) because they are more comfortable and they look better. They make us feel like we are at home," senior Maria Monroy said.

—Anecia Reed



Senior Corie Crouch spray paints the stars blue to go with the theme of the senior float. Although the senior float was disqualified because they used real clothing, the seniors still had fun.

Seniors Tara Eveland and Kim Bourn admire the senior banner displayed in the commons area. The senior banner took second place in the competition.

*"I think traditions makes high school more fun and there is a lot to look forward to your senior year Also, as underclassmen you begin to learn about those traditions and why they are important,"*

—Whitney Peterson



While relaxing on the new senior couches, seniors Joe Wiggins and Michael Maxwell talk about the senior project. "The senior couches are so comfortable, and I like the little table because you can do homework on it and you can just rest," senior Josh Padilla said.

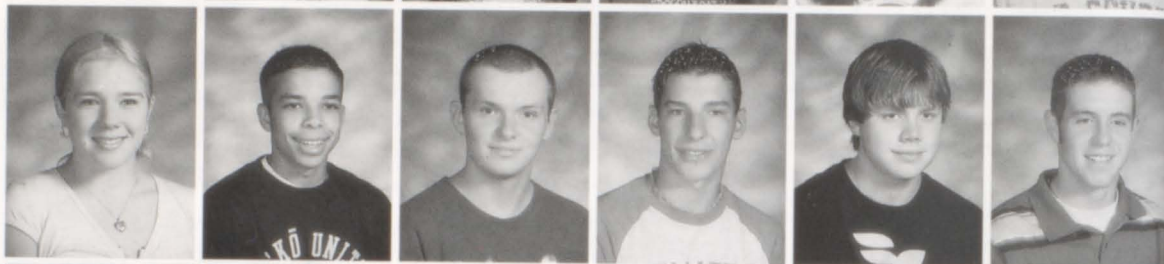
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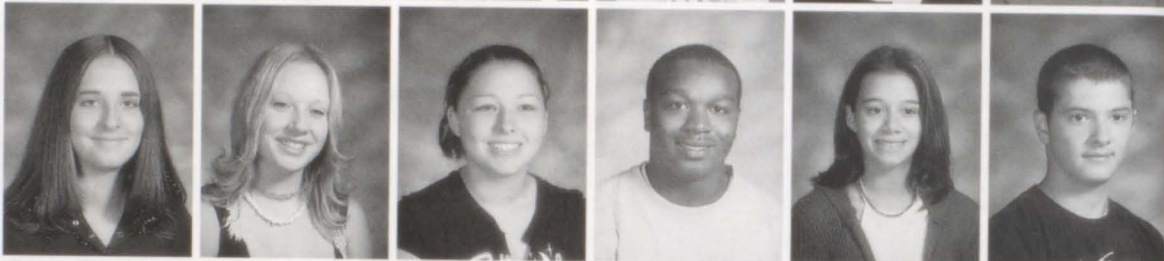
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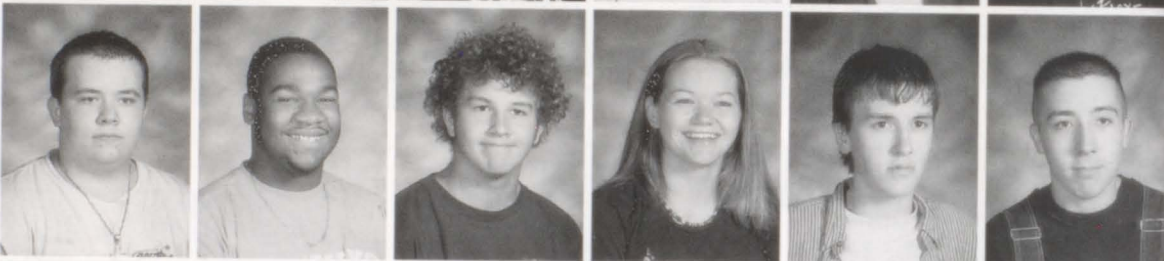
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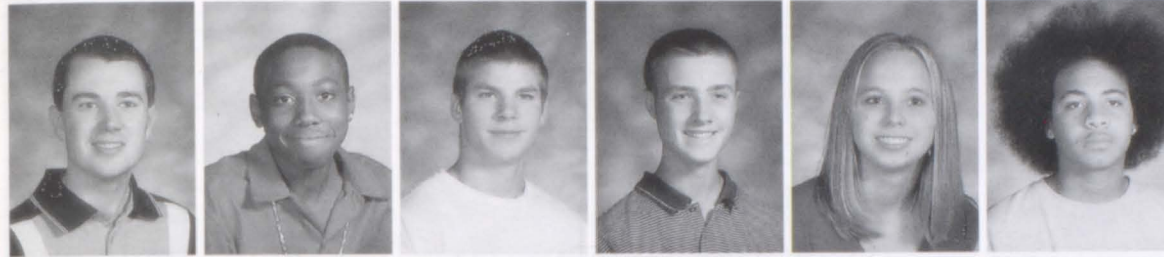




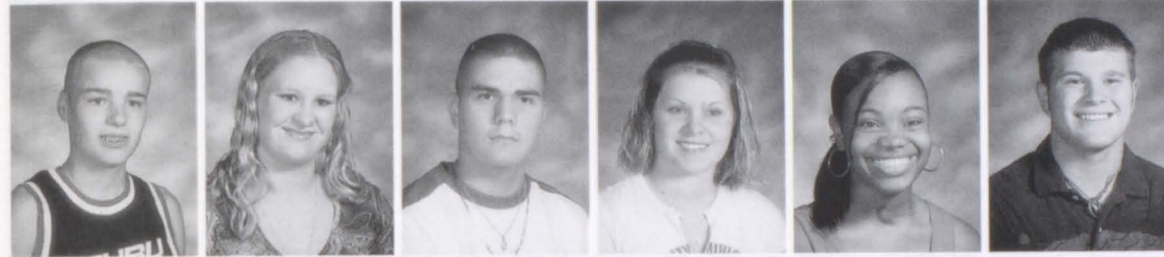
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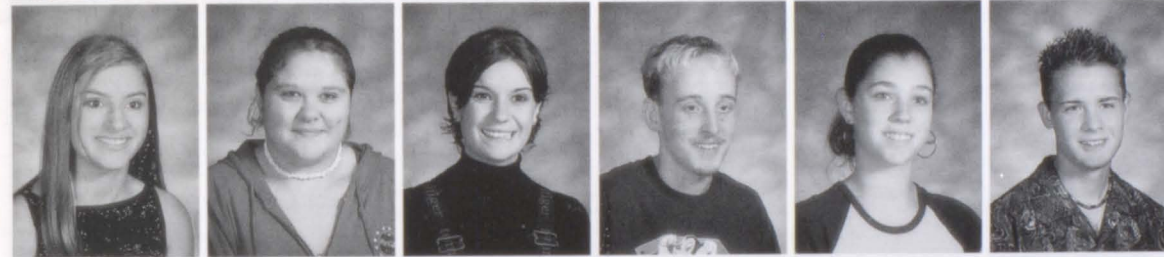
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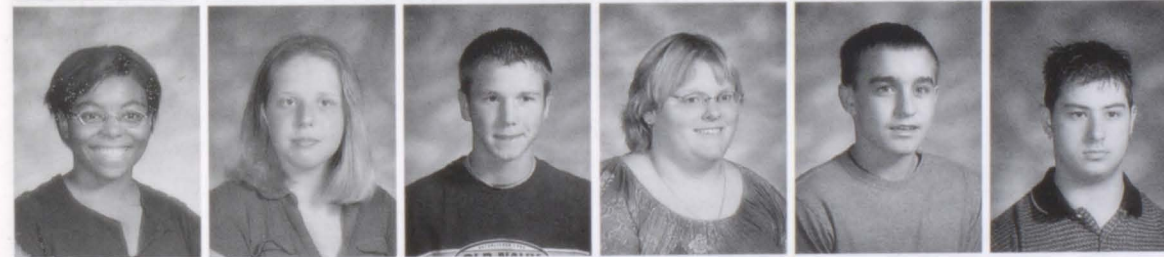
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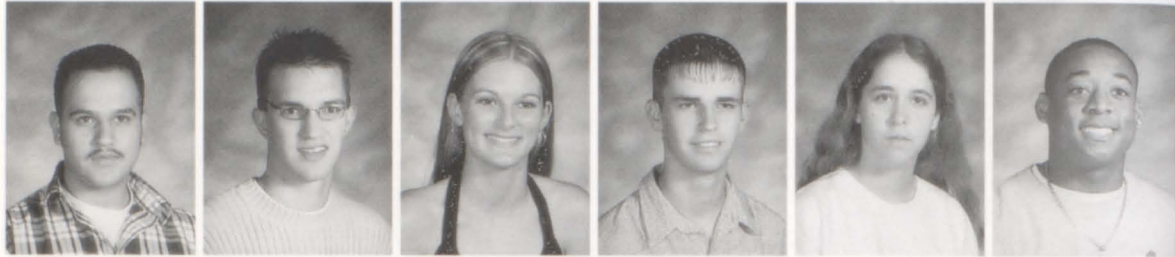


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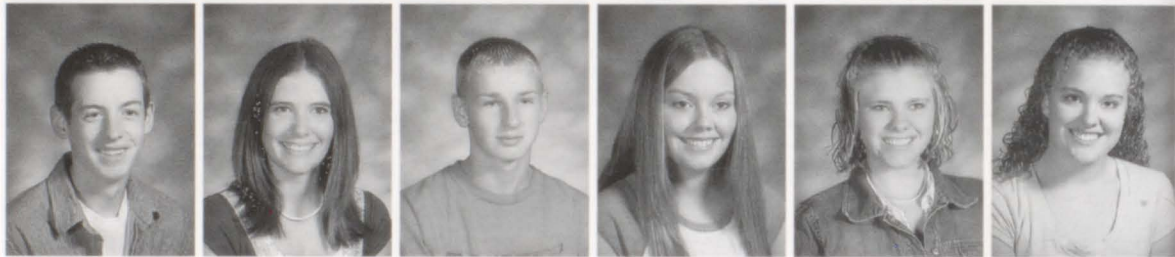
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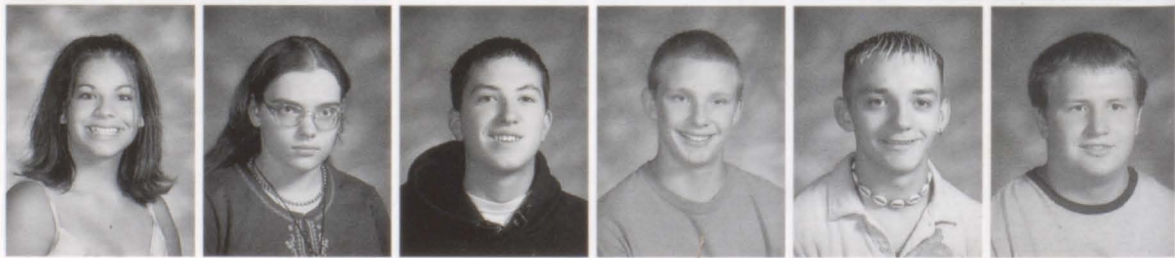
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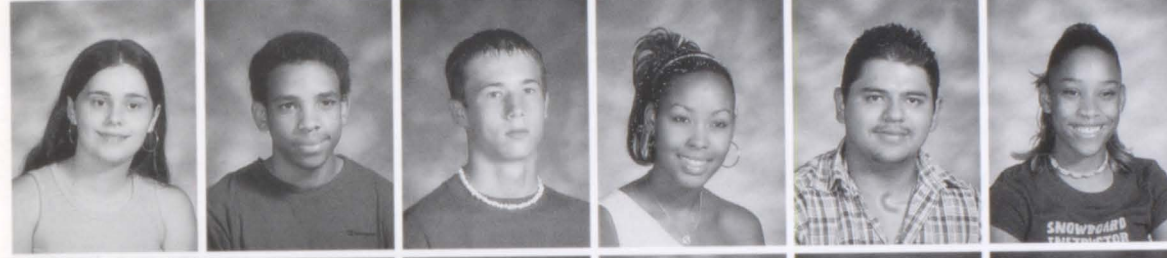
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During her sixth hour algebra II class, junior Alyssa Alexander sits on junior Peter "Santa Clause" Cockrell's lap while wondering what it is she wants for Christmas. "I was wishing for Mr. Caldwell to give me a good grade, but Santa wasn't working his magic," Alyssa Alexander said. "Besides, boys in red are hot!"

Before the Powder Puff game, Junior Kim Stephens helps make senior Curtis Fraundorfer look more like a girl before cheering. "It was fun because guys usually make fun of girls for getting primped, but now it was our turn to make fun of them," Stephens said.



## Juniors Plan Their Futures

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*"This year I have gotten the chance to hang out and get closer with my friends. I also have met a lot of new underclassman and became good friends with them."*

*—Chase Crouch*

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Ever wonder what classmates will do after high school? Ending junior year, students faced a lot of difficult decisions about their futures.

There are many career opportunities that can be considered. Some students go into the Armed Forces, junior colleges, four year universities, or go straight into the work field.

"After highschool I plan on going to the Marines because they give you free housing, money, and many other necessities of life," junior Mike Brownlee said.

Some juniors knew for-

ever about what they wanted to do, but some were just figure out what to do.

"I either want to go to a private college or go to KU," junior Nathan Smith said. "I want to major in photography or English. Or maybe go and sit on the beach everyday."

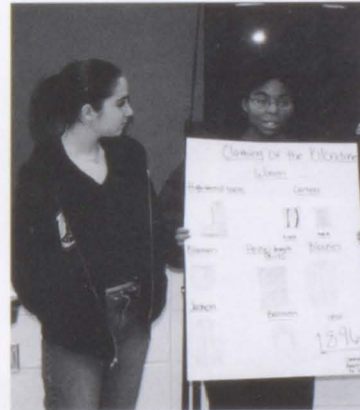
Feeling the pressure can sometimes make it hard to decide ones future.

"It's already half way through junior year and I am still not sure what I want to do. I feel so pressured on deciding the path for the rest of my life," junior Kori McGinnis said.

*—Theresa Wild/Kellie Gardner*



Junior Toine Barber tries to win a shirt by doing fifteen pull-ups during lunch. The marines came to lunch and sat up the stand. The boys had to do fifteen pull-ups and the girls had to hold themselves up for 45 seconds to win a shirt.



**D**uring the halftime of the varsity boys basketball game, juniors Christian McDonald and Elliott Basler perform the drumline routine. "The drumline sounded great this year," Basler said.

**J**uniors Casey Walker and Karen Jones present their project in Mr. John Rost's American history class. "Mr. Rost's class is pretty fun. He's entertaining, so it gets interesting," Walker said.

**W**ith the buzzers in hand, varsity Quiz Bowlers juniors Ed Samek, Kyle Kobe, Nathan Smith, Matt Kerl, and Scott Link ponder an answer to question at the Lansing meet. "Quiz Bowl is a wonderful little club, where people like to get together and answer some trivia questions," Kobe said.

# Sophomores Class of 2006

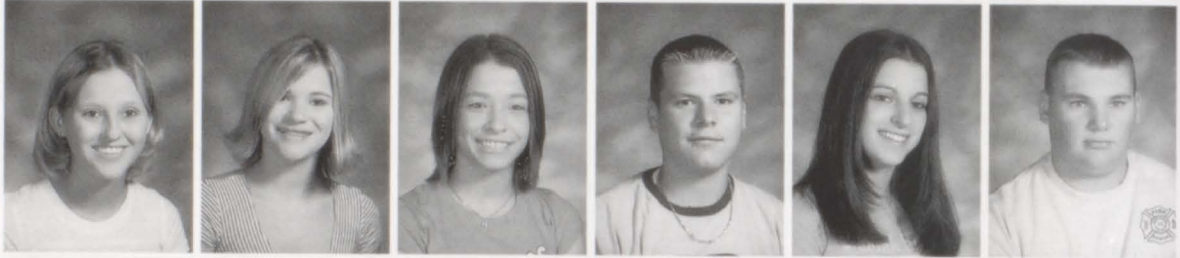
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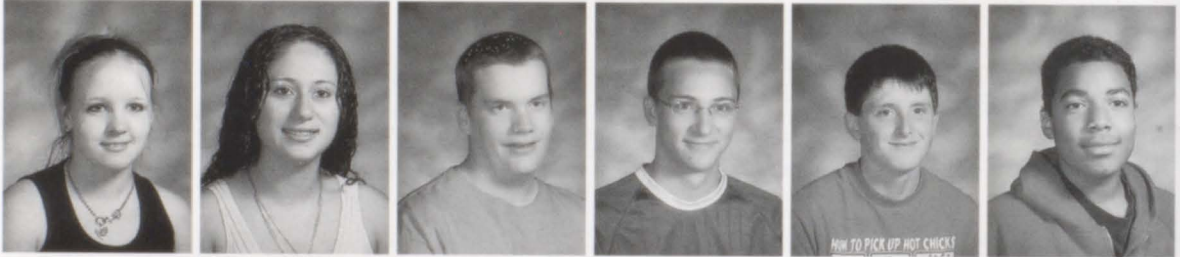
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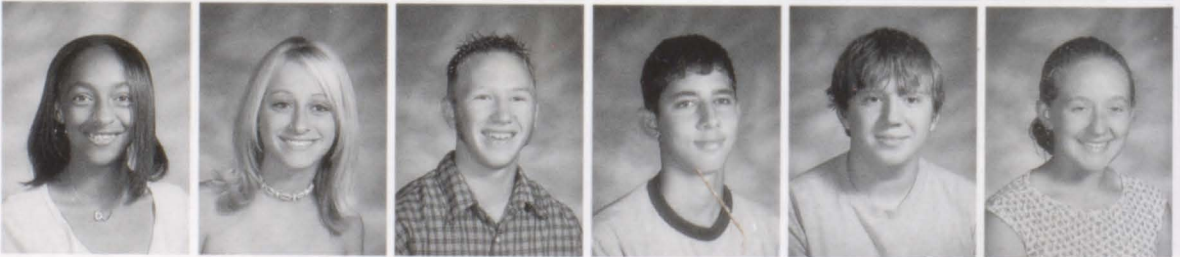
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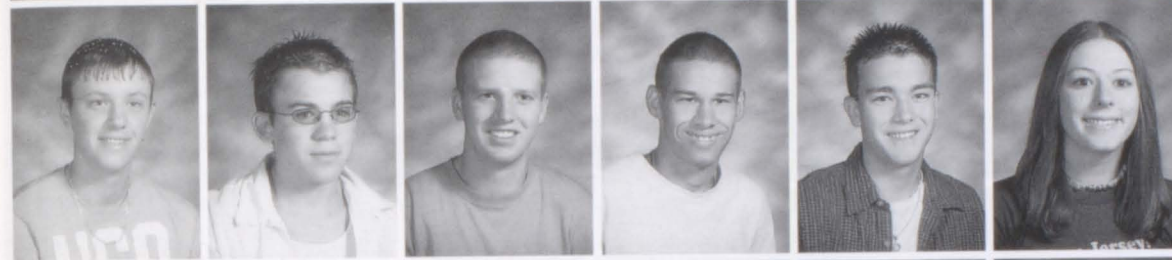




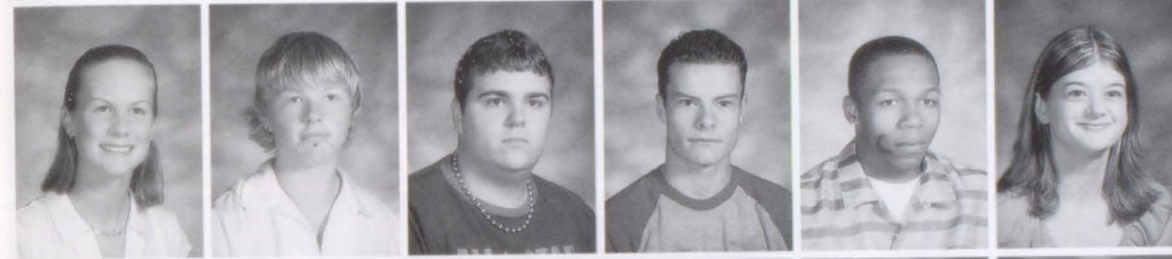
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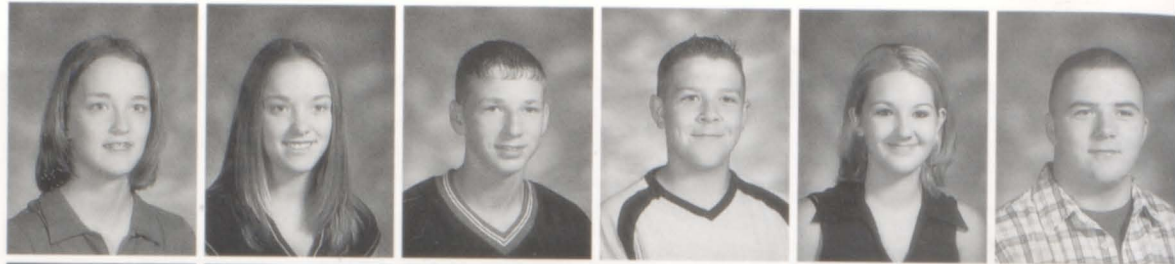


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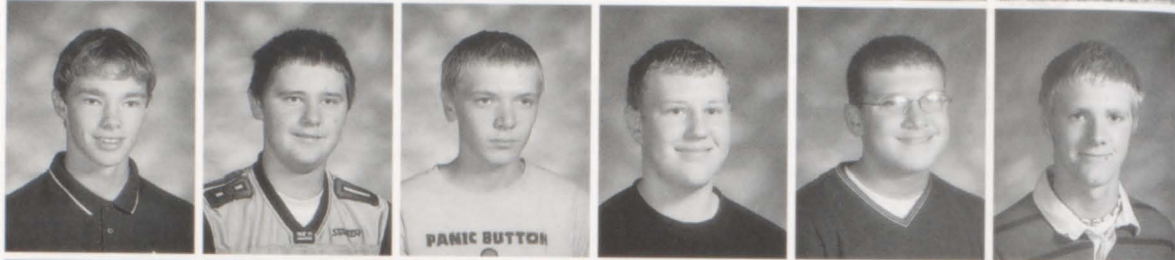


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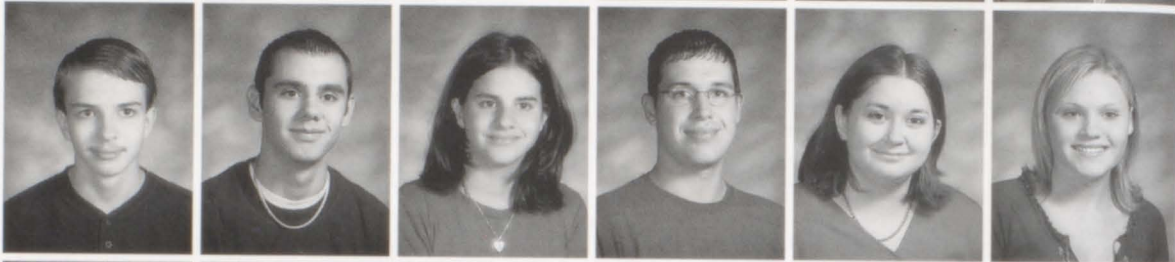
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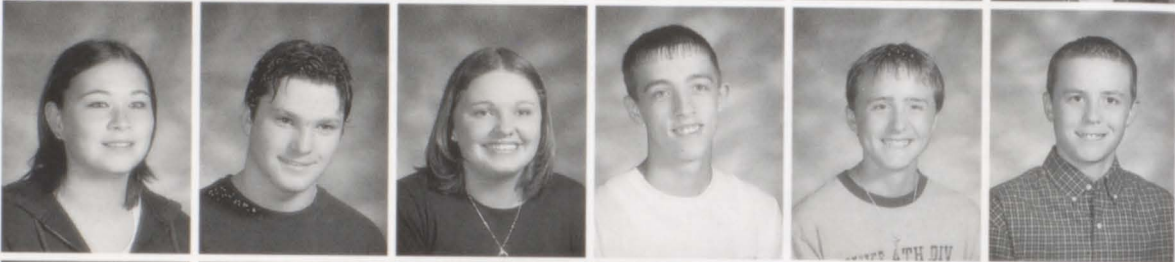
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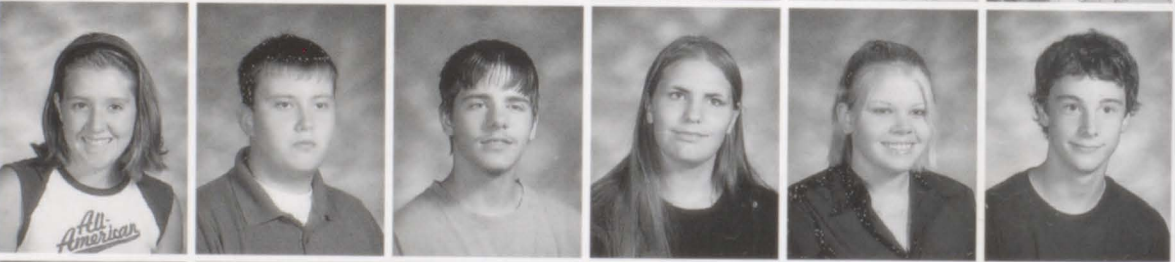
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Students work on a writing activity in Mr. Bill Downing's English 10 class. Downing assigned these to his classes to help explain the story or activity that they were learning.

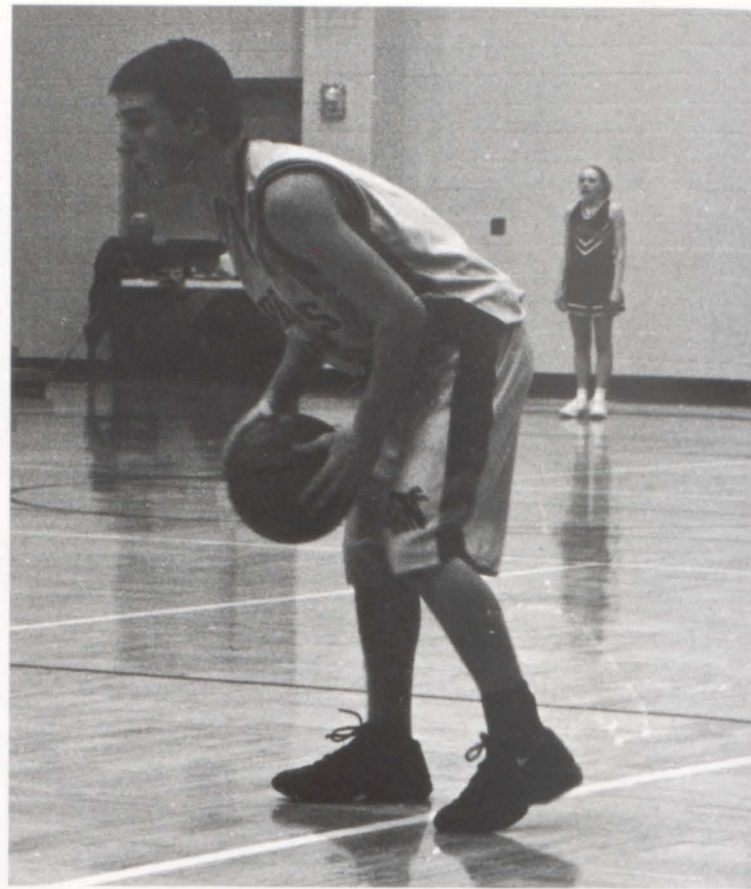


Josh Palcher cuts a piece of wood for a checker board he makes in Wood Tech class. "Wood shop is fun because I like to build stuff and it's an interesting class," Palcher said.

Sophomores Andi Smith and Sarah Reyes cook in New Centry Foods class during a block day. "I liked to choose what we got to cook, and cooking on block days since we got to eat what we cook instead of going to lunch," Smith said.

Varsity basketball player, Jeff Hills looks to give the perfect pass. "The biggest highlight of the season was definitely when we beat Piper 63 to 58, and I had 22 of the 63," Hills said.

# Back for s'more!




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*"I think the class of '06 is very positive and has a lot of school spirit. In the years to come I see us being extremely talented, athletic, intelligent and lots of fun."*

—Jenny Fowler

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For an underclassman to letter in high school is a bigger deal than most people think. A normal varsity squad consists of the upperclassmen; however, the sophomore class of 2006, had a total of 78 estimated letter winners.

Of the estimated 78 letters handed out, 63 were from athletes, (football, basketball, softball, etc.) and 15 were from other academics (band, choir, etc.).

"Our sophomores had to make a quick adjustment to the varsity level, and handled it very well," Athletic Director Garold Baker said. "Those who only saw a little varsity time last year had to make a big step this year to take on the task."

Other than lettering, the sophomore class became very involved with their school spirit. Even though during assemblies they were stuck on the "lower classmen side" of the gym, they made the best of it.

"The class of '06 came a long way. The assemblies that we had were great for our class," Emmanuel McComb said.

Others also noticed the contribution the class of '06 made.

"The sophomores have done an outstanding job this year athletically and on the leadership level. We really expect a lot from them in the next two years," Vice Principle Jim Hanson said.

—JaceyTotta/Hilary Johnson



Dressed as "Pee-Wee Herman," Steven Beck dances to "Tequila" across the gym floor at the Winter pep assembly. Beck was a Student Council representative and also a part of the wrestling team.





**D**ance team member, Tiffany Moppin helps her squad out with face painting at the Homecoming pep rally. "This was my first year on dance team, and I've loved the opportunity I've gotten," Moppin said.

**V**arsity football kicker, Jon Baxter receives the ball from the referee at a home game. Baxter was the field goal kicker and did half of the kickoffs. He also had 24 points for the season.

**J**ackie Russell, Brittney Abromavitz, and Angel Catania sing during a choir performance at Lake of the Forest. "Choir for me was a great way to express myself. Mr. [Brian] White really let us all be ourselves," Abromavitz said.

# Freshman Class of 2007

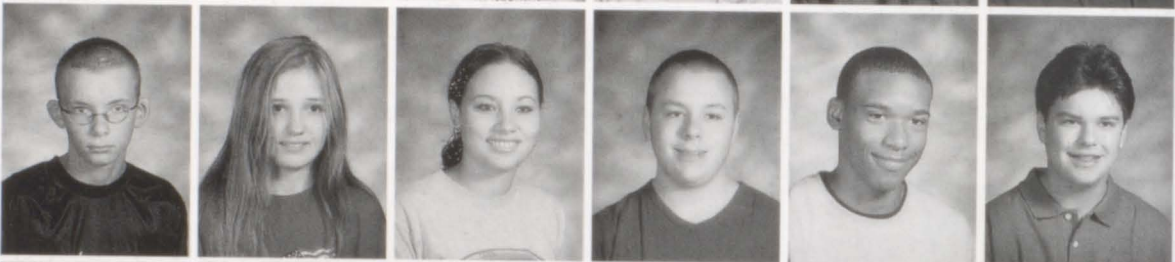
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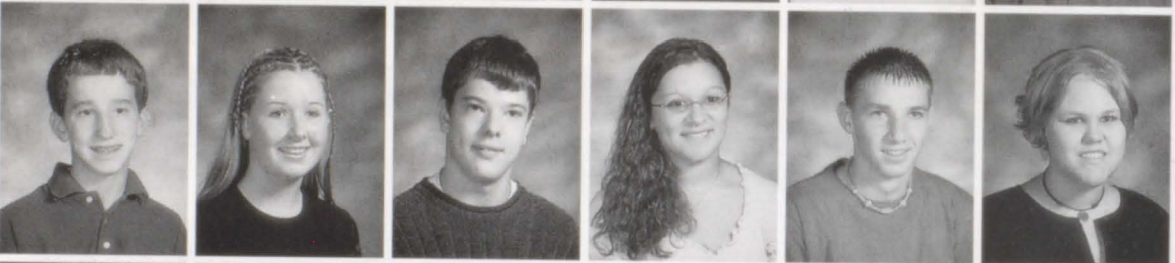
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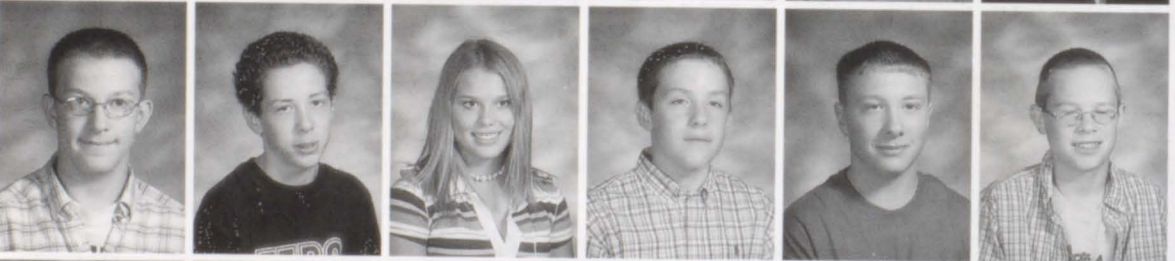
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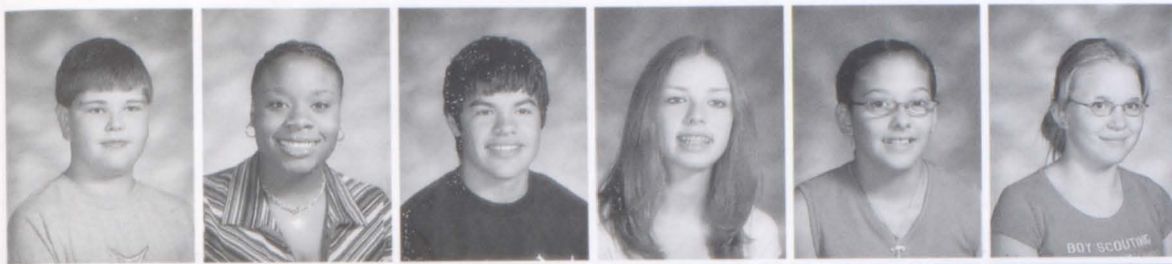


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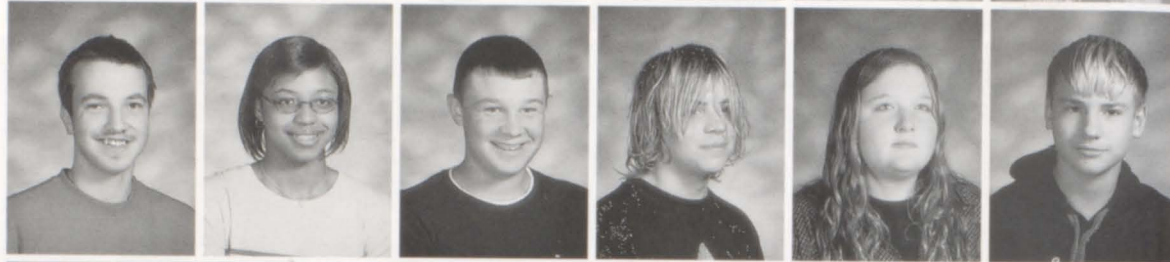


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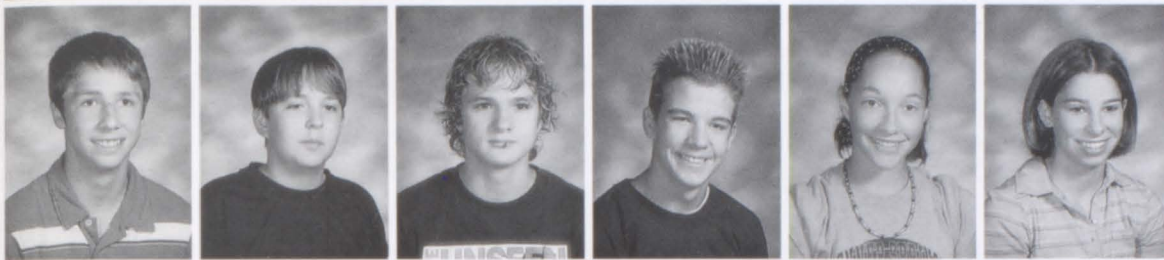


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Krystal Young

Freshman Aaron Maxwell eats a snack in seminar, whereas junior Kellie Gardner performs a stunt at a basketball game. Maxwell said he wanted to switch with Gardner. "I'm flattered. I don't know why anyone would want to be me, but thanks," Gardner said after hearing Aaron Maxwell would switch places with her.

# Switchin' it up

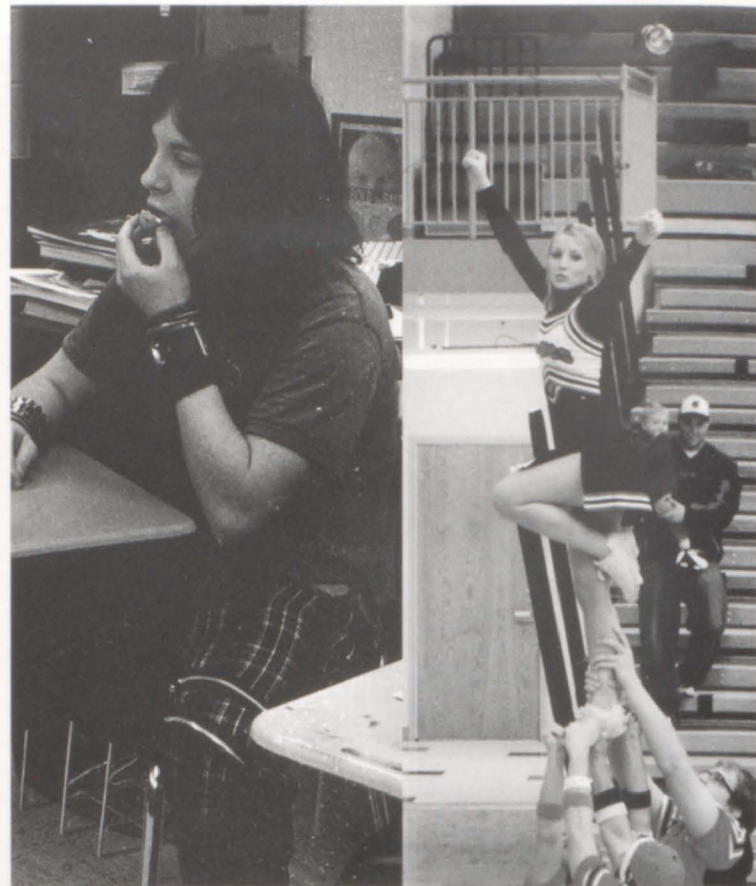
Walking down the crowded junior hallway in four minutes, being in a new school, meeting new people, one might want to be someone else within this world of high school. This was the case with some freshmen.

Some wanted to switch because of what the other person owned materially.

"I'd switch with A.J. Holmes because he has a tight car," Brianna Van-Shoelandt said.

Other freshmen wanted to switch because of the person they are.

"I'd switch with Kellie Gardner, so I would be the most popular kid in the school. It is a whole different



lifestyle than mine," Aaron Maxwell said. "I'm on the lower level of popularity. I want to see the respect difference because of the way I'd dress and who I'd be."

They would also like to switch with administration.

"I would want to be the principal because I would be in charge. I'd be the boss," Willie Wilson said.

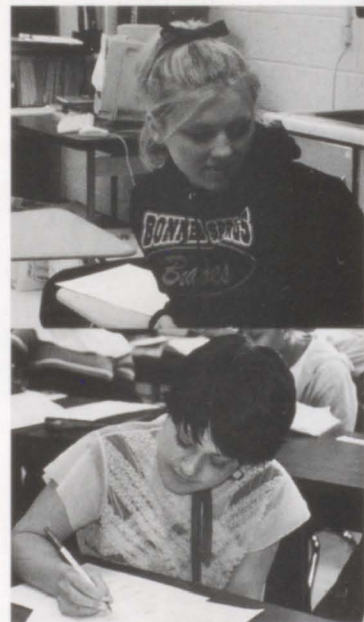
Others wanted to switch with someone because of their athletic abilities.

"I would switch with Tiffany Starks because she's good at all her sports," RikkiAnn Burks said.

Some also wanted to just be themselves.

"I wouldn't change with anyone," Matt Caquelin said.

—Kari Meints



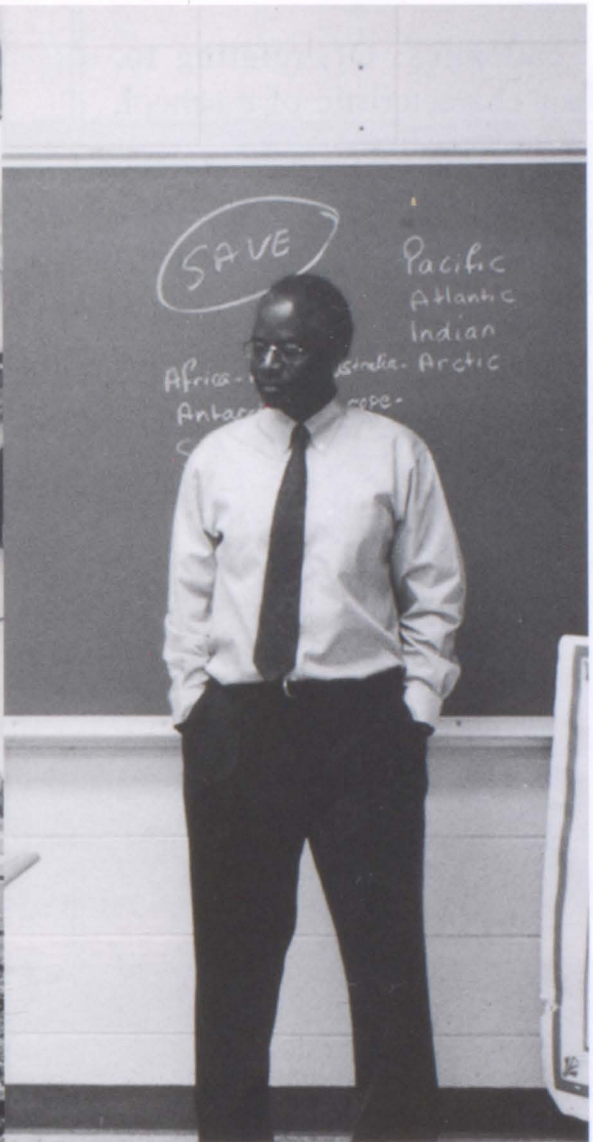
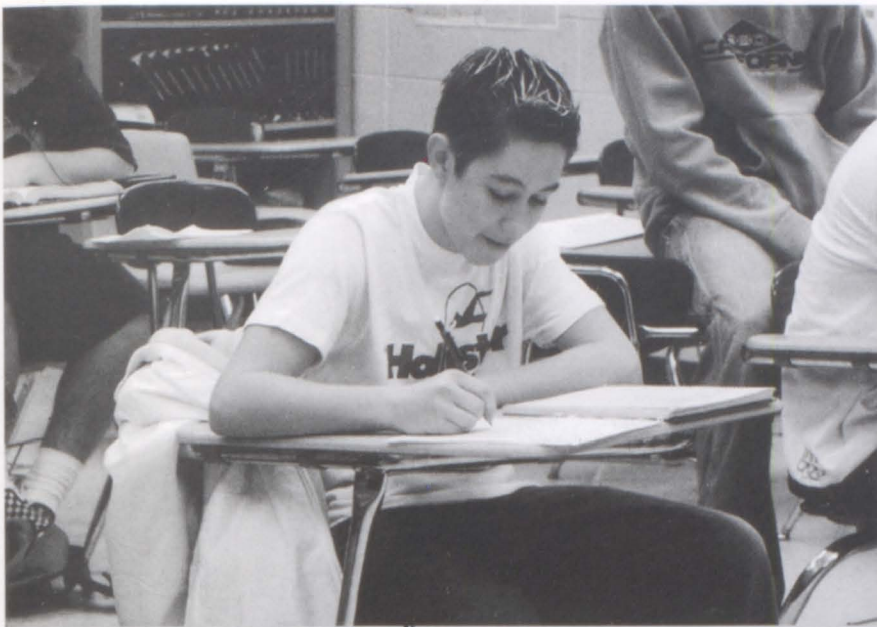
I would switch with Danielle Perica because she's friends with everyone," Samantha Hachinski said. Perica was flattered. "I think that's really awesome and flattering. It brings a smile to my face," Perica said.

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*"I would switch with no one because I want to be me,"*

—Nathan Smith

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Billy Jaskinia works on homework during Seminar, Joseph Schmidt plays the trumpet during band practice, and Dr. John Makona lectures in class. Jaskinia and Schmidt both said they wanted to be Dr. Makona. "I would switch with Doc Makona because he's cool," Jaskinia said. Schmidt wanted to switch with "Doc" for a different reason. "I want to write '-5' on people's papers and tell them to shut up. It would be fun," Schmidt said.

Tiffany Starks and RikkiAnn Burks play volleyball during girls physical education. Burks said she'd like to be in Stark's shoes. "I think it's cool that someone else really wants to switch places with me," Starks said.

Jared Simmons gets help in Mr. Gene Tibbetts' math class, while senior Matt Middleton and Ashley Pardew wait to be announced as Homecoming royalty. "I'd switch with Matt Middleton because he's a nice guy and a lot more athletic than me," Simmons said.



**A**cademics: Of, relating to, or characteristic of a school, especially one of higher learning. Our teachers pushed and nagged at us throughout the school year not to get on our nerves, but to make us see that what they were doing up in front of the class all year was not just talking for fun.

It may seem like we took a test every other week and that we always had some kind of deadline, but what we really had were teachers who were people who wanted us to succeed and do our best.

We complained, whined, and grumbled all year long, but what we should have done was say, "thank you."

We welcomed many new teachers who hopefully didn't scare easy. We'll always keep the memories of good times, like Mrs. Lisa Lugar's bright demeanor or Mr. Andy Anderson's corny jokes.

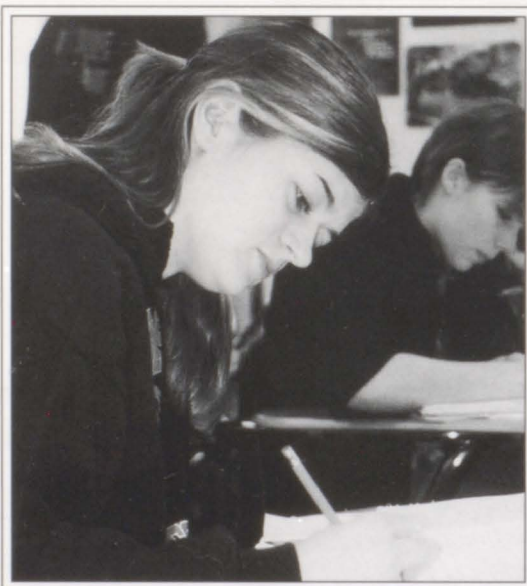
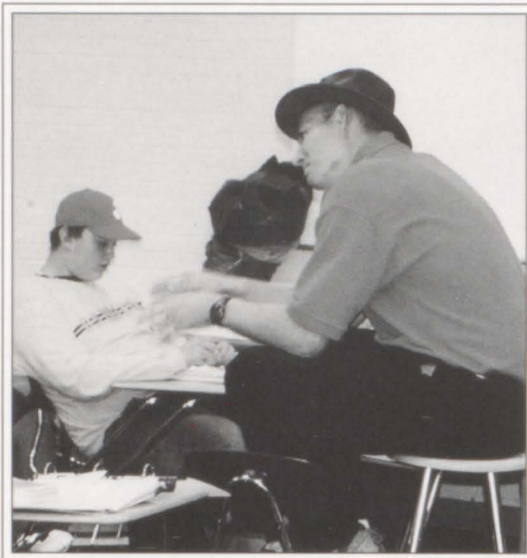
We'll always remember the teachers who cared and who always had a smile. The teachers that we had gave us the chance of a life time and definitely, an education of higher learning.

—Ashley A. Williams

## Remembering our TEACHERS

# ACADEMICS

**M**r. Bill Downing teaches his sophomore English classes a little about be hip by sporting his sly hat on "Hat Day" during Homecoming spirit week. Mr. Downing taught freshmen and sophomore English classes.



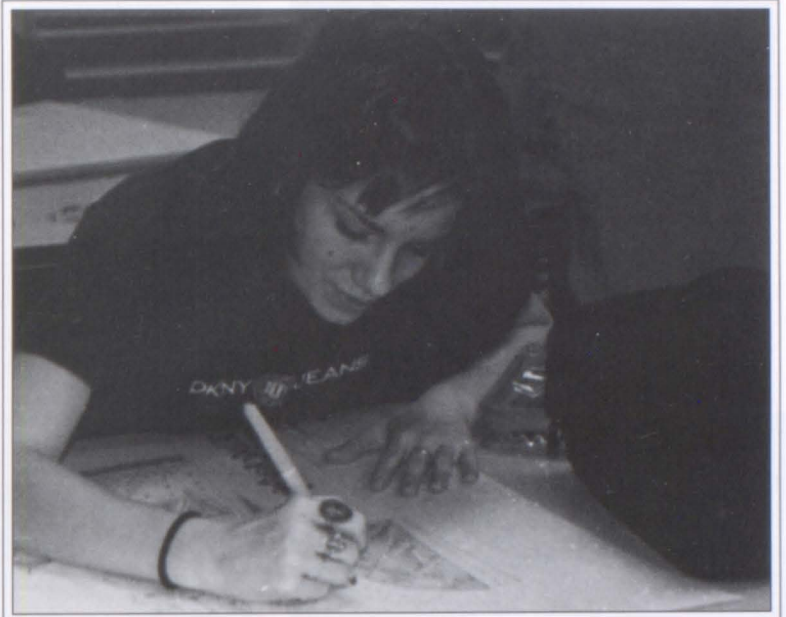
**S**ophomore Katy Killingsworth fills out her Seminar pass. Seminar replaced the former ELO in the schedule, which only required freshmen and sophomores to attend their ELO class. With ELO, juniors and seniors had the privilege of sleeping in, going to have breakfast, or volunteering to come in and work on school work or get extra help. With Seminar being after first and third hours, upperclassmen no longer had the choice to sleep in on Wednesdays and Thursdays.







**S**eniors Drew McCullough and Amber McAvoy carefully dissect their fetal pig during their anatomy and physiology (A & P) class. A & P students dissected fetal pigs and cats during the year and also visited a human cadaver lab.



**S**enior Amber Houts works on an art project in her 2-D art class. Graduation guidelines require students to have at least one semester of fine art.



**M**rs. Deena Burns helps out senior Corie Crouch during her accounting II class. Accounting II was a course that could be taken for college credit and helped students plan and balance their finances.

# Art



**T**he art staff had quite a few new ideas and equipment to broaden the choice of their art classes.

“We were looking at trying to put in digital information for the photography classes,” Mrs. Wanda Simchuck said. “I want my students to learn to be creative, problemsolve, and self-confident about their work. Also to learn the basics of art or photography.”

**J**unior Jami Poje works on her parody of “Scream”. “I wanted to make it funnier,” Poje said.

Mrs. Simchuck’s main goal this year was to get some of her students’ art work into a couple of art shows and she did. Nathan Smith won the Gold for photography in the Scholastic Art Show, which took place in February.

Mrs. Linda Horvath’s art students did landscaping outside with tile work, painted areas, and sculptures.

“I want students to have pride in taking part in this major project, and learn new skills they can use later on in life,” Horvath said.

— Toni Montague

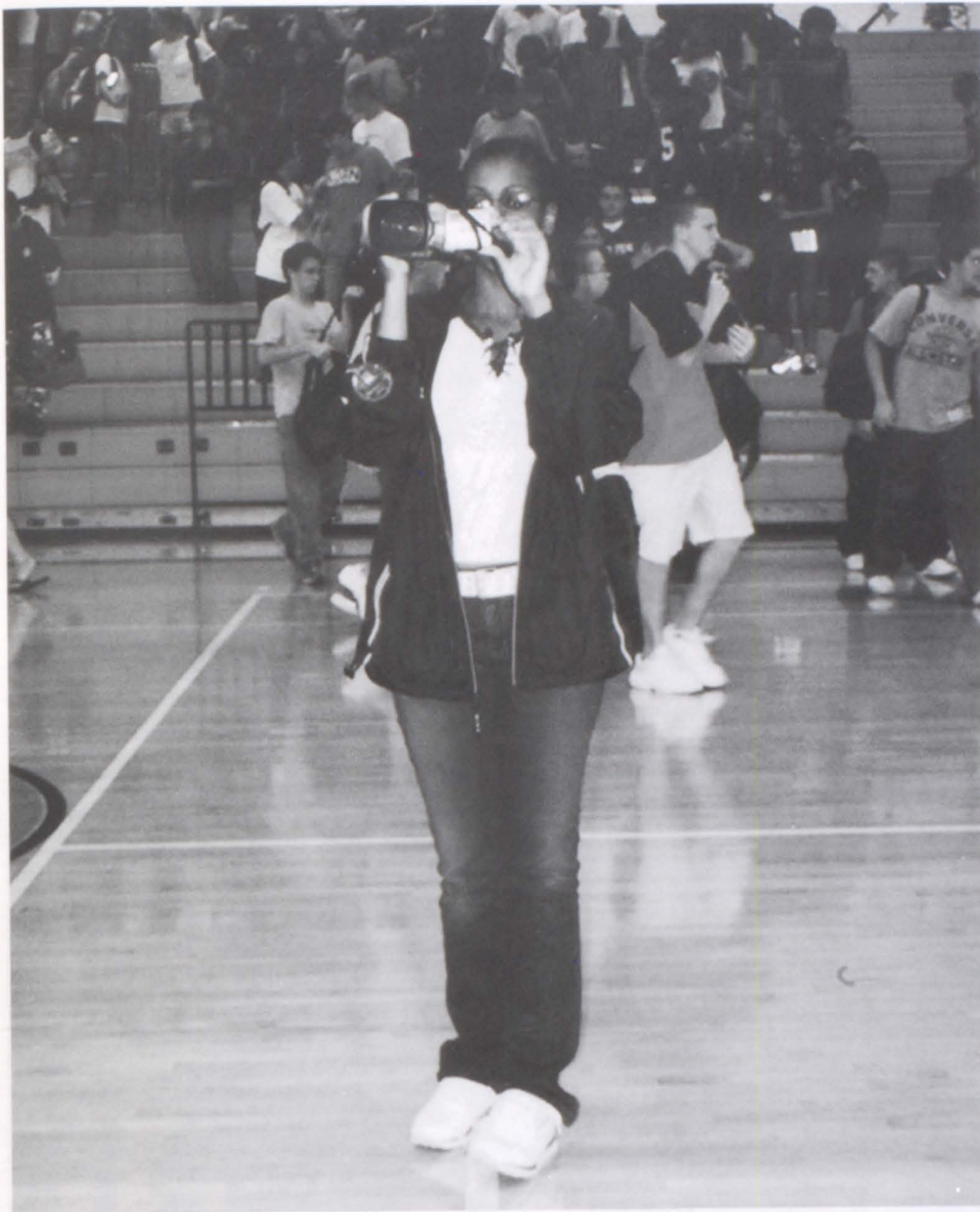


**S**enior Amber Houts works on her pastel sunset. “Art is a passion that you have to take seriously, and I was having fun,” Houts said.

**S**enior Leeana Johnson doing a pointilism painting. “I enjoyed doing it, and I thought it would be a challenging project for me,” Johnson said.



TEACH



**J**unior Kresse Lee video tapes after an assembly for her technology class. "Tapin' my friends gettin' low cause I was havin' fun," Lee said.

**J**unior Tony Isabell cuts his peice of wood at just the right angle. "I'm cutting a piece of cedar for a jewelry box I am making my girlfriend, Holly Scherer," Isabell said.



# Technology

**T**he technology staff received and tried out two new teachers in their unit. Mr. Brian O'Neil taught video technology and Mr. Joe Cisneros taught wood technology. The two new teachers brought many new ideas such as Vinyl stickers and a robotic station. The staff said this went exceptionally well.

"I enjoyed this year, it has been alright and I have enjoyed the faculty and students," O'Neil said.

The students go to enjoy the CAD program, which teaches the student to

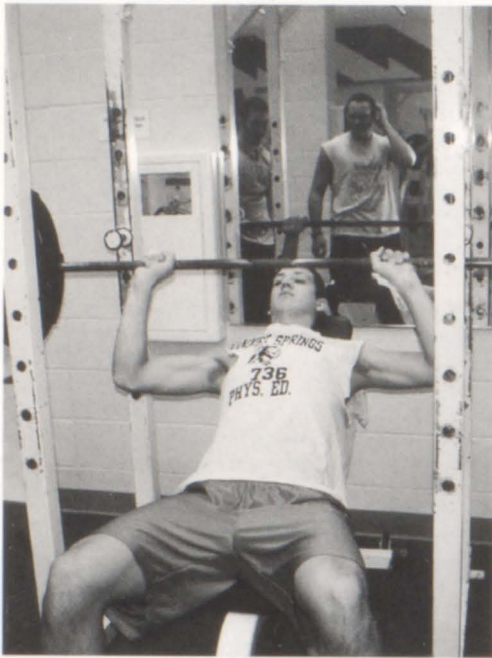
interact with drawing blue prints on the computer.

"I wanted my students to understand real life training and make high technical fields," Mr. Dan Burns said.

—Toni Montague

**F**reshman Alex Silvers is passing time in seminar by sketching in his sketch book. "I was just sketching facial features in my sketch book," Silvers said.

# Physical Education



**H**ustle up, push it, work hard, do your best. These are all sayings that students heard during their physical education classes.

As freshmen students take health and P.E. In health class the students learned about the human body and how it works and played games like softball, soccer, volleyball, basketball, hockey, tennis, ping-pong, pickle ball, swimming, and flag football.

"I only like half the games we played in P.E, but I liked being in there with my friends," freshman Brittney Holliday

**D**uring Mr. Monty Bechard's weight training class, senior Travis Shockey works on the incline. The students worked out at the YMCA four days a week.

said. "Mrs. Jennings was a good teacher."

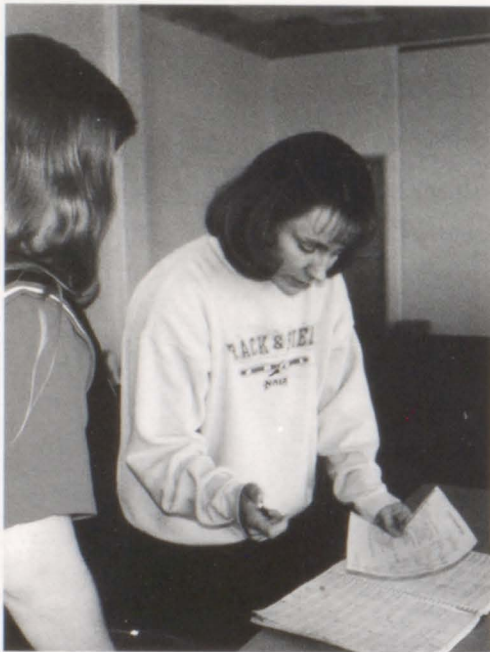
Classes offered after completion of freshmen P.E. were advanced P.E. recreation P.E, weight training, and aerobics. These classes were not offered to everyone. Aerobics was only offered to girls, and advanced P.E was only offered to boys.

"My favorite work out was bench press because I was good at it," junior Miguel DeLeon said.

During weight training the students worked on developing muscles by doing many different exercises.

"Weight training is fun, because I can increase my strength index and work on specific muscles," junior Kari Meints said.

—Cortney Harding



**M**rs. Kerri Jennings answers a question for freshman Amanda Logan during health class. In health the freshmen talked about the aspects of the human body and drug abuse.

**S**enior Drew Hess works out at the YMCA during his weight training class. Hess' maximum lift on squats was 440 pounds. This was Hess' second year in weight training.





**J**unior Judith Plumb works on a sign for Ms. Adrienne Law's marketing class. In marketing the students learned how to advertise and market products.

**L**iz Brown, senior, asks a question about a practice test during Mrs. Deena Burns accounting class. "Mrs. Burns is a great teacher and makes accounting fun!" Brown said.



# Business

**A**re the students at BSHS being prepared for the future? Some would say so.

"We are being prepared because the school is teaching us lots of things we need to know in the future," sophomore Katy Killingsworth said.

The skills she is talking about were taught in the computer and business classes.

"We learn how to type faster and do projects on the computer," sophomore Sarah Reyes said.

Other students feel that they are not being prepared for the future.

"We are not being prepared because the learning standards are not up to date with what is going on in the world," junior Peter Cockrell said.

Other skills, like balancing a check book, advertising for a product, creating a power point, and how to use a computer were offered in different classes taught by Mrs. Deena Burns, Miss. Adrienne Law, and Mr. Joe La Cicero.

—Cortney Harding

**S**ophomore Robert Smith helps out sophomore Jessie Morasch on a typing project in Miss. Adrienne Law's keyboarding class. These two sophomores share the class with freshmen, juniors, and seniors.



# Science

**P**ig dissection was the talk of Ms. Cindy Hayes' anatomy and physiology class. The class of 18 seniors worked throughout two months dissecting a pig and did numerous worksheets on the body of the fetal pig.

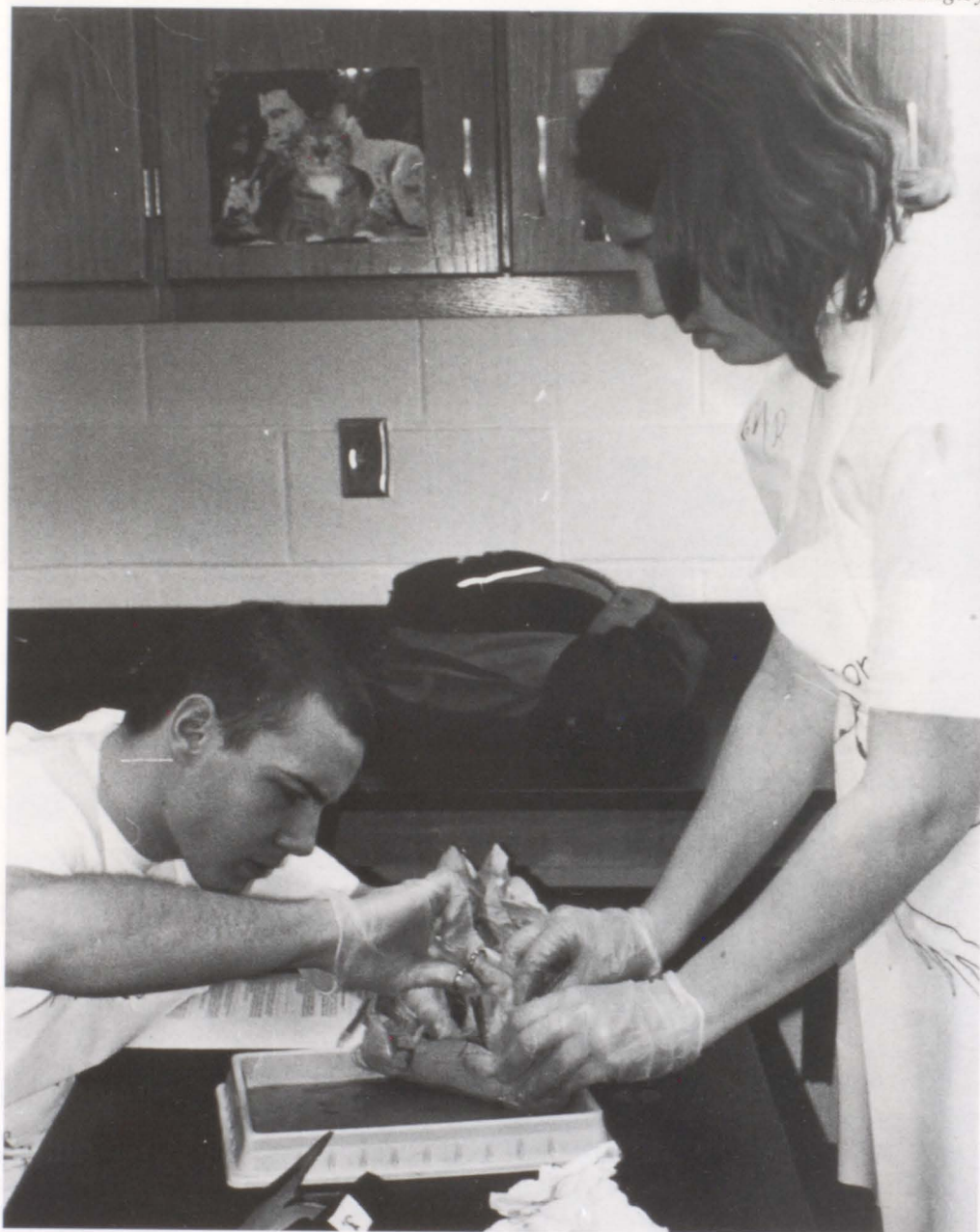
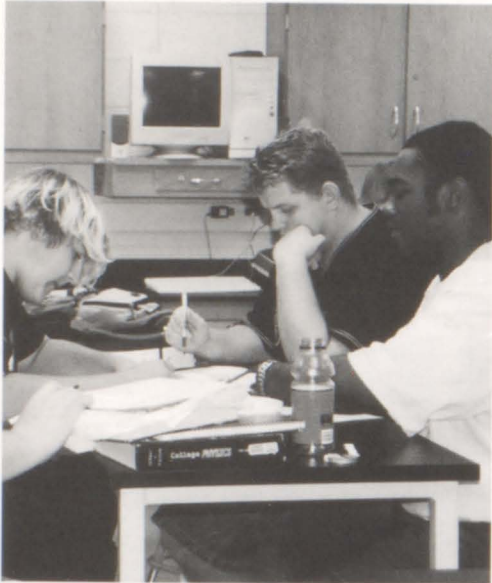
"I thought that the class did really well with the project. We went to the

**J**uniors Ed Samek, Zack Wilcox, and Aaron Clark work on their classwork in Mr. Andy Anderson's physics class. "I thought the class was tough, but it is fun," Wilcox said.

UMKC School of Dentistry and the Cleveland Chiropractic cadaver lab in the Baptist Hospital Emergency Room," Ms. Cindy Hayes said. "We also had Bill Miller, a massage therapist, come and give a demonstration on therapeutic massages."

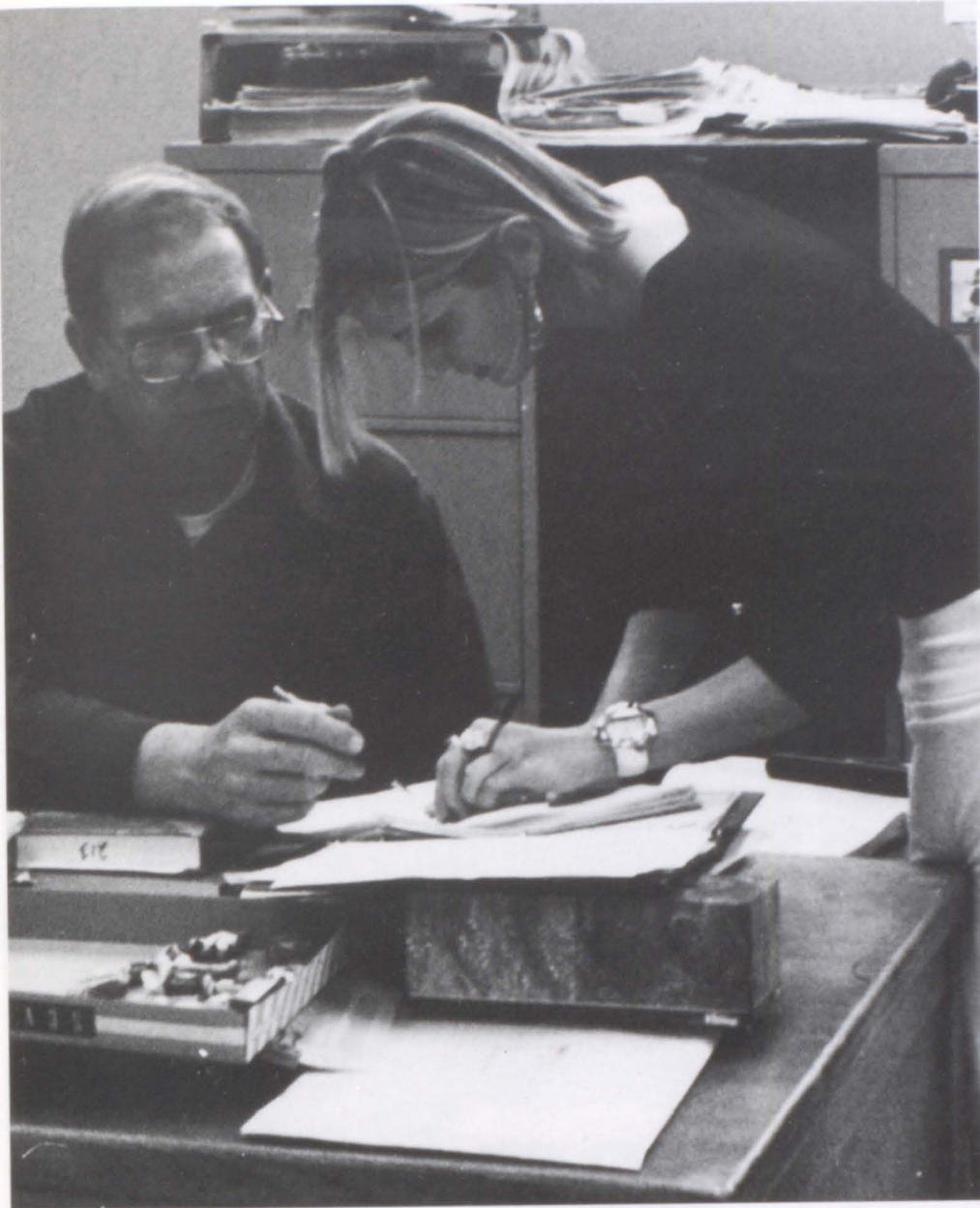
They also studied the muscles, digestive and respiratory systems. The reason for the pig dissection was to prepare for their cat dissection, which they did second semester.

—Jessica Langley



**S**ophomore Emmanuel McComb and junior Emily Dougherty work on a lab project in Ms. Jacquelyn de la Pena's chemistry class. "I really like chemistry, it is a lot different from biology, it is fun learning all of the new things."

**S**eniors Frank Vogan and Megan Blake in their Anatomy and Physiology class working on their fetal pig. "I enjoyed the A&P class because you learn a lot about your body and about what is going on in side of you," senior Anecia Reed said. "You also get to learn about how our organs are the same as some animals, such as pig. I encourage ever underclassmen to take this class your senior year, it will be worth it."



**M**r. Bob Caldwell helps junior Kori McGinnis in Seminar with her pre-calculus. "My favorite thing about math is when the student understands the concept, it gives me a sense of gratification," Caldwell said.

**S**ophomore Keisha Dodson works on her math homework in Mrs. Anne Otroszko's seminar class. "I think that math is a pretty good subject, I enjoy the class a lot," freshman Brett Johnson said.



# Mathematics

**M**r. Bob Caldwell has been in the Bonner Springs math department for 19 years, but he has been teaching for 34 years overall. It gives him a gratification that he has done something worthwhile.

"At the beginning of the year, I was nervous about algebra 2, but Mr. Caldwell really helped me," sophomore Katy Killingsworth said. "He also gave me good advice too, like 'save it for your mama' and 'you are a day late and a dollar short'."

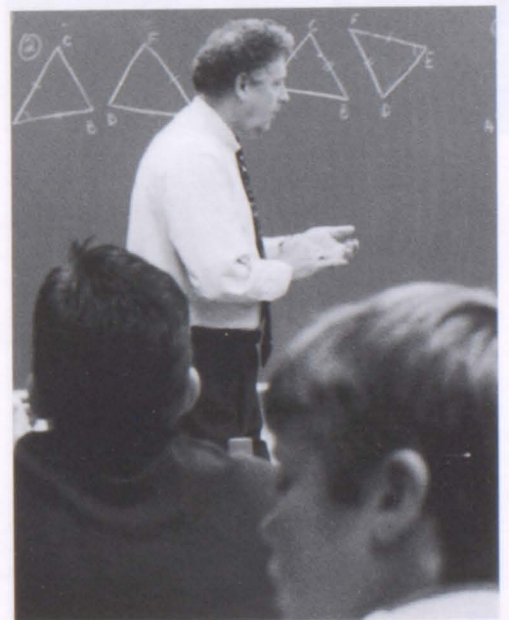
Although all math teachers are differ-

ent, they all have one goal in mind: to have interaction with kids they and to teach them skills they will use later in life.

"Mrs. [Anne] Otroszko's class is really helpful, she never lets you fall behind in your work and always makes sure that you understand the lesson," senior Joe Wiggins said.

—Jessica Langley

**M**r. Gene Tibbetts teaches his freshman class about geometry. "A new improvement this year was the math lab. It is good that we have it for the students," Mrs. Anne Otroszko said.



# Social Science

**T**o graduate students have to have three and a half social studies credits and have to complete a project for each year.

One main objective social studies classes concentrated on was the junior project. For the junior project, juniors had to write an essay about anything or anyone who has made an impact on

American society.

"The best part of my junior project was that the project was open and I could write about whatever I wanted," junior Christy Mellot said.

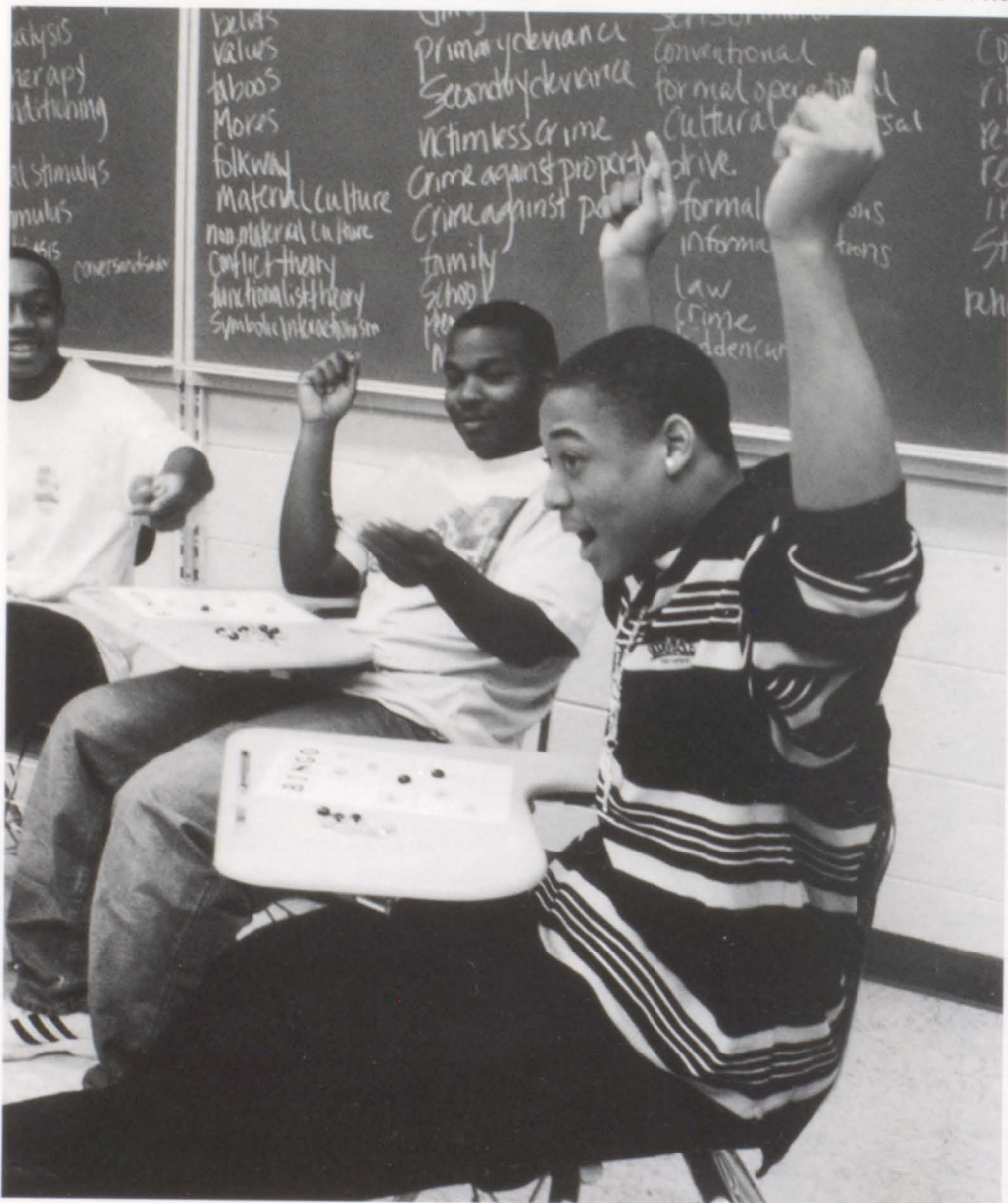
There was a wide variety of social science classes offered: American government, American history, sociology, human behavior, advanced studies, and world history.

"Sociology and human behavior are fun classes to teach because students can see immediate relevance to their lives," Mrs. Jennifer Schlicht said.

— Theresa Wild



Juniors Kim Stephens and Kellie Lemon think about conquering each other's territories while playing "Risk" in Mr. John Rost's American history class. "Playing Risk was fun because I got to play the game with my friends instead of listening to Mr. Rost lecture," Lemon said.



**D**uring Mr. John Rost's American history class field trip to the Jazz Museum in Kansas City, juniors Aaron Clark, Ashley A. Williams, and Alyssa Alexander look at the artifacts from the 1920's Jazz era. "This trip was designed to give the students a close up experience of the Jazz scene as it was in the Kansas City area in the 1920's and 1930's," Mr. Rost said.

**A**fter winning "BINGO" in Mrs. Jennifer Schlicht's sociology class, junior Christian McDonald celebrates his winning victory while classmates Will Davis and Eric Brantley check their cards again. "It's the greatest class ever, and Mrs. Schlicht is one of the best teachers ever," McDonald said.





**J**unior Alex Sturgeon and sophomore Shawna Moore prepare a Mexican meal for Mrs. Martha Chandley's new century foods class. "It was a lot of fun because we got to make different types of food and then we would get to eat them too," Moore said.

**S**howing her cooking skills, Mrs. Martha Chandley demonstrates how to cook in FACS class. "I was showing my class the proper measuring techniques," Chandley said.



# FACS

**W**hen students walked down the freshmen hallway, they could smell an aroma of all sorts of food. Most likely they were walking by the FACS (Family and Consumers Science) room.

Preparing a wide varieties of foods from different cultures to their favorite meals, the FACS students were learning life-long skills.

"In our fast-paced world of drive-through restaurants, proper measuring and cooking techniques are often lost," Mrs. Martha Chandley said. "The foods and nutrition classes offered at BSHS try to teach basic cooking skills and meal planning skills individuals need in

order to establish healthy life styles."

Students may have also seen little toddlers walking through the hallways. The FACS classes didn't just cook, they also sewed and had child development classes where every Wednesday and Thursday they ran a morning daycare for kids.

"I loved having child development because I love having Mrs. Chandley for a teacher, and I love children," junior Malina Meyer said.

—Theresa Wild

**S**enior Heather Malonee prepares an oriental meal for Mrs. Martha Chandley's international cuisine class. "I like the food. I like to make it, and it's easy to make," Malonee said.



# Foreign Language



**W**hen students walked down the foreign language hallway they knew that students were broadening their horizons and learning from new and exciting cultures. Students had the choice of Latin, Spanish or French.

Around 200 students were enrolled in a foreign language class.

**J**unior Megan Mackey gulps chocolate syrup in her Spanish III class after completing her first semester final. "I enjoy when we do projects in Spanish class that aren't like every other class and are something out of the ordinary," Mackey said.

"The foreign language department at BSHS is developed to instilling in its students not only enthusiasm for learning a foreign language, but also appreciation for the unique qualities of the cultures and civilizations which used these foreign languages to communicate in their worlds," Latin instructor Mrs. Connie Henry said.

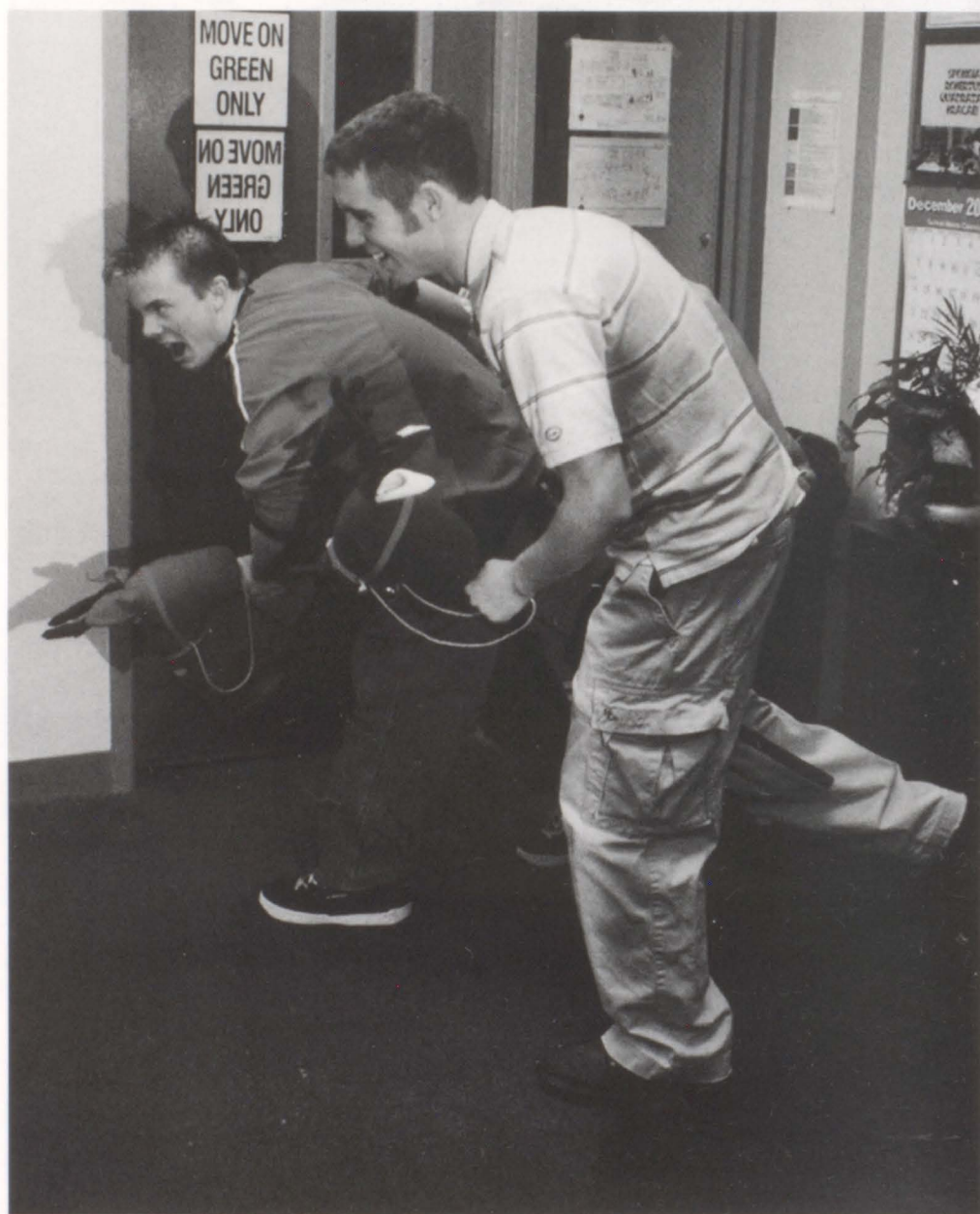
As an anonymous author once said, "To learn another language is to gain another soul."

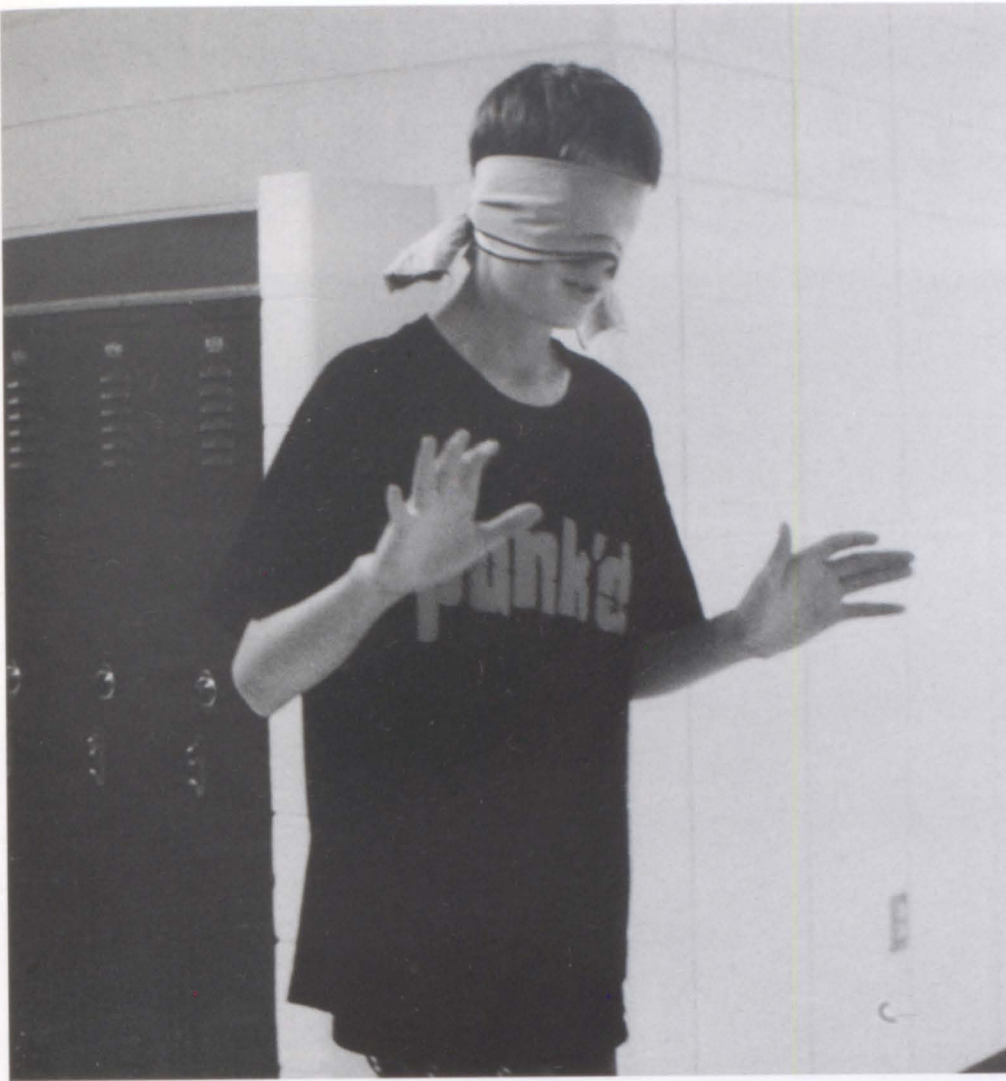
—Sarah Goodin



**S**eniors Megan Blake, Heather Wilson, and Everett Shepherd work on their assignment for their French IV class. "I think that being in another language makes you smarter and I love French. I'm also in Latin. It is an awesome thing to learn. I love being able to learn other things that are in a language," Wilson said.

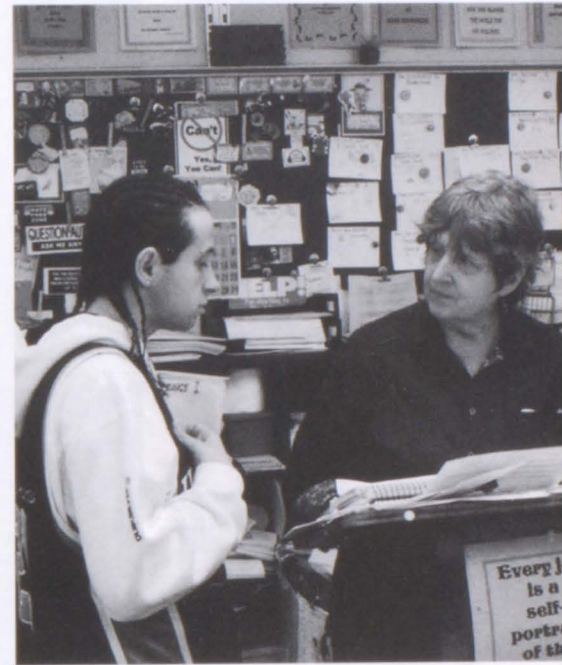
**S**enior Jon McIntyre and junior David Baxter ride their "reindeer" after participating in the literary tea party and discussing the recent novel they had read in their Latin class. The Latin III and Latin IV class read the novel, *Lake of the Dead Languages*, by Carol Goodman.





**B**lind-folded for a sensitivity activity, freshman Tommy Honeycutt and his freshman English class read *The Cay*, by Theodore Taylor. This activity was related to the main character, who was blind and stranded on an island and had to adapt to being blind.

**S**enior Nick Maynard talks to Mrs. Chris Wood about a homework assignment. "I really like Mrs. Wood's class. I feel that her class has prepared me for my life after high school," Nick Maynard said.



# Language Arts

**T**he language arts department teachers tried several strategies to build on students' language arts skills.

For example, Mr. Bill Downing focused on grammar and vocabulary; however, Mrs. Chris Wood used a new strategy with phone monologues to enhance students' communication skills.

"I'm delighted to see students making movies and creating presentations of all types, and things that appeal to all learning styles," Mrs. Wood said.

In Ms. Meghan Orford's classes, she created units in the time periods and literary movements. The freshmen did their children's books and the

sophomores read classics like *To Kill a Mockingbird*, by Harper Lee and *Julius Caesar*, by William Shakespeare.

All of the language arts teachers agreed they always used the trial and error method with their teaching methods.

"Most of my strategies are still developing and probably always will be," Ms. Orford said.

—Toni Montague/Sarah Goodin

**M**r. Bill Downings' sophomore English class works on an assignment for after reading a story out of their literature books. "Mr. Downings' class is fun and I enjoyed the way he taught the curriculum," Helen Sangster said.



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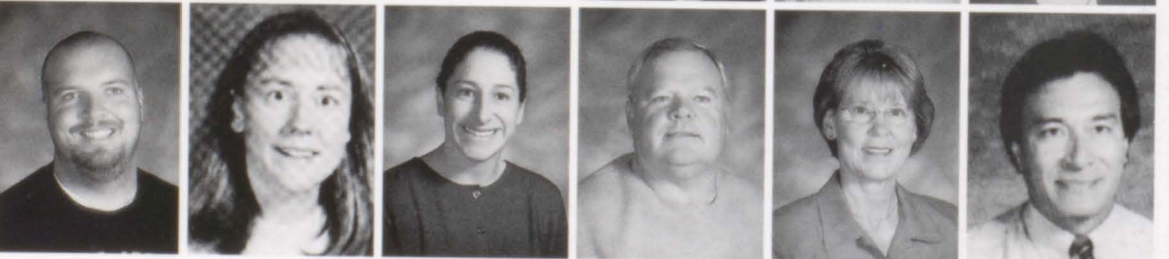
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**K**itchen Staff—Front Row: Linda Reed, Kathy Harding, Martha Gamble. Back Row: Mayzell Hickmon, Florence Spencer, Carla Cline, Jennie Hale. "Carla and I get here at 5:30 a.m. to get breakfast served and start the dinner rolls from scratch. Once it's 1p.m. we get off work and it makes it worth it. We love the kids no matter what," Mrs. Spencer said.

# Administration

The administration had many goals set for the 2003-2004 school year. The staff of Principal Dr. Jerry Abbott, Assistant Principals Mr. Jim Hanson and Mr. Steve Cook, as well as Athletic Director Mr. Garold Baker wanted to provide students with a high quality education, produce above average test scores and improve school spirit.

"School spirit needs to boom! Cut loose, hollar, scream, and cheer, show your school spirit!" Mr. Hanson said.

One way the school tried to promote this idea was by developing a

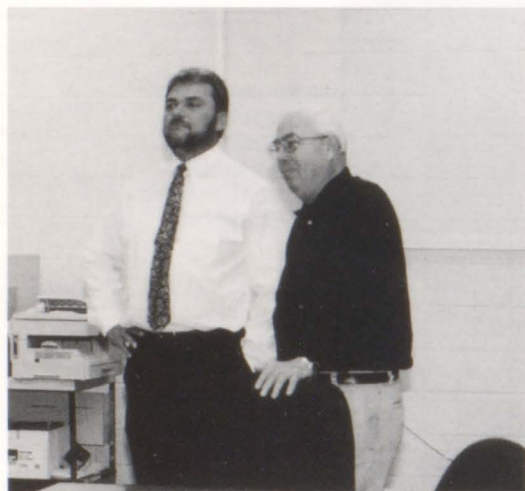
"Leadership Council."

Dr. Abbott formed the Council to help the underclassmen students with the educational environment and their peers.

Selected students from all grades and the administrative staff came together to improve the learning environment, to help freshmen adapt, and show them new ways they can study and make the grades.

"We wanted a safe environment where kids can learn and succeed in high school," Mr. Cook said.

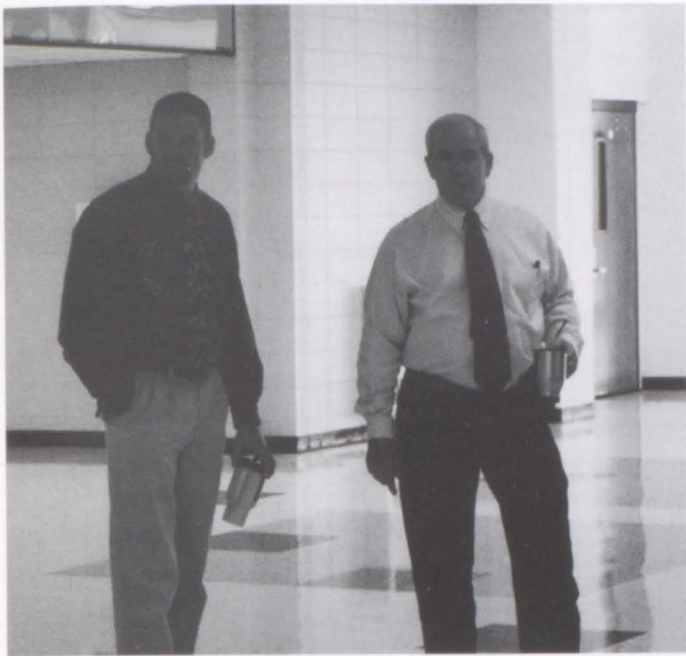
—Toni Montague



Mr. Brett Peterson and Mr. John Johnson pay close attention to what Dr. Bob VanMaren was covering in their board meeting at Clark Middle School. The Board visited the middle school in early November to take a tour of the new district technology center "headquarters."



The USD #204 Board Members—Front Row: John Johnson, Sandy Polley. Back Row: Bob VanMaren, Lewis Wood, Brett Peterson, Cliff Brents, Dave Pierce. Not Pictured: Connie Hadley. The Board met once a month at different district facilities. One of the biggest issues covered early in the year was the possibility of going to a "year-around" balanced schedule in 2004-2005 school year. After much debate and involvement from the community, the Board decided to keep the schedule on a nine month calendar.



**M**r. Jim Hanson and Mr. Steve Cook patrol the halls to keep them safe. "I enjoy talking with students, so that they feel that they can talk to Mr. Cook or I whenever they need to and that we will help them as much as we can," Hanson said.



**T**he Administration Staff—Vice Principal Mr. Jim Hanson, Principal Dr. Jerry Abbott and Assistant Principal Mr. Steve Cook. **Not Pictured:** Athletic Director Garold Baker. "Well, I personally think the administration is fantastic; they are all very nice and caring. The administration at BSHS is the best administration in the U.S.," junior Ed Samek said.

**M**r. Steve Cook helps pass out juice during Testing Week. The annual Testing Week was held Nov. 10-14. "The juniors produced great scores and improved from their freshman year scores," Testing Week Coordinator, Mrs. Kristin Byers said.

**F**reshman Taryn Lane shoots a free throw at a girl's home varsity basketball game. "The varsity level is a much quicker game and most freshmen that get an opportunity to play at the varsity level are used to dominating in middle school," Coach Garold Baker said. "I thought Taryn handled herself well this year, and the year of experience will do well for her."



**S**enior Jon McIntyre swims the butterfly at a boys swim meet. At state, McIntyre competed in the 50 freestyle, 100 freestyle and a relay event. "It was a fun experience going to State and it was even better knowing that I would be the first swimmer from Bonner to ever compete in a state meet," McIntyre said.



**S**enior Ashley Pardew serves the ball at a girls home varsity volleyball quadrangular. Pardew spent her time on the court as a back row defense specialist and a top server. "Pardew was our energy. She was always pumping everyone up and made it fun, even if we were down," junior Ashley A. Williams said.

41.1		
HOME	PERIOD	GUEST
16	2	26
FOULS	PLAYER FOUL	FOULS
0	31	6
SCORE	MATCH	SCORE







**S**enior Dee Adger uses his unique technique of throwing the ball in at a home varsity soccer game. "He always does it that way unless it's raining because sometimes he falls," sophomore Cortney Harding said.

## SPORTS

**S**ports: A group of persons organized for a particular purpose.

Our teams did the best they could and tried their best. They put 100% into every game, tournament or

match they played.

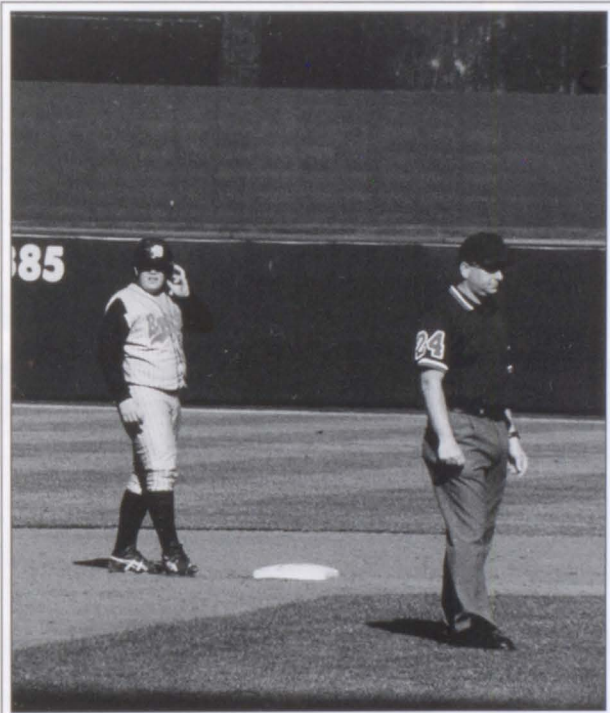
Football, volleyball, girls tennis, and soccer started our year off with winning a regional game in football, a pair of girls competing in state tennis, and our head soccer coach winning a prestigious award.

Boys basketball, wrestling, girls basketball, and boys swimming all kept our spirits up with sending senior Jon McIntyre to State swimming and senior Matt Middleton winning a State wrestling championship.

Our spring sports ended our year with senior Everett Shepherd signing a letter of intent to run track and field at Ottawa University, and for only the second time, we had a girl on the golf team. In addition, juniors Matt Kerl and Josh Mortensen make it to boys state tennis and junior Ed Samek and senior James Hovey compete in state golf.

We made our mark and celebrated our victories. We sent some great people to state competitions and made the Bonner Springs Braves a name known well.

—Ashley A. Williams



**J**unior Keith Frazier stands near second base after hitting a double during the annual game at Kauffman Stadium against Basehor-Linwood. Frazier divided his playing time between third base and pitcher. But the highlight of the game was when junior Mike Pier hit an out of the park homerun.

## Remembering our VICTORIES

**S**enior Dee Adger reaches for the ball during the varsity game against Mill Valley. This was Adger's third year on the team.



**C**aptain of the varsity team, Kyle Black looks up to the ball for a header while holding back a player from Lansing. Black was one of eight seniors on the team.



**K**icking the ball, Jon Baxter plays against Mill Valley. Baxter was the top scorer on the varsity team with eight goals.



## SCOREBOARD

Lansing	2-1
Tonganoxie	3-1
Washington	6-3
Basehor-Linwood	4-0
Harmon	1-2
Turner	3-0
Mill Valley	0-2
DeSoto	2-1
Lansing	1-0
Tonganoxie	0-1
Bishop Ward	0-1
Basehor-Linwood	1-2
Mill Valley	1-7
Piper	1-3
Perry-LeCompton	0-1
Immaculata	0-1
Turner	3-1
Mill Valley	0-1

Overall Record 8-0-10

**V**arsity Soccer Team—  
 Front Row: Joey Schmidt, Dylan Tuckel, Micah Gallager, Ryan Crawley, David Baxter, Chris Pike, Jon Baxter, Derrick Babcock, Myjestic Hickmon. Back Row: Jimmy Vogel, Dee Adger, Drew McCullough, Justin Moulin, Kyle Kobe, Brandon Crawley, John Woodall, Isaac Garlington, Kyle Black, Joey Caudill, Eric Nielsen, Josh Mortensen.



*"Playing with boys is really not that big of a deal because I've always played coed."*



Megan McCully



Justin Moulin

*"Playing on the varsity team was a great experience. They treated me the same as everyone else. It was great getting to know all the players."*

**A**s State qualifiers last year, the soccer team had a hard reputation to follow. Because four seniors did not return from last year, the coaches had to find some way to replace them.

Heading up a new coaching staff, Jimmy Vogel, who was assistant coach last year and a former Braves player, was assisted by Coach Bryon Hanson.

Along with a new coaching staff comes a new style of coaching.

"It wasn't really that hard to adjust to Jimmy because he was my coach last year," sophomore Kris Russell said.

Pulling through with a victory in their first game, the Braves proved to be a team that could work together.

"The offense worked harder than last year, and with the defense still clicking it made the team better," junior Josh Mortensen said.

Although the regular season did not end with a winning record, a new start was made in the Regionals with a win over Turner.

After the season ended, Coach Vogel received the AFLAC Assistant Coach of the Year Award, for assistant coaching in 2002-2203. Only 100 of these awards were

given to all assistant coaches nationwide.

—Cortney Harding



**S**ophomore Eric Nielsen, who played defense on the varsity team, controls the ball against the Lansing Lions in their first home game.

# Fight to Stay Alive



**J**unior Varsity Team—Front Row: Joey Schmidt, Ian Seaton, Monica Kennedy, Megan McCully, Billy Jaskinia, Jobie Buchuler, James Hakes, Josh Woods. Back Row: Philip Shirley, Caitlyn Toland, Ryan Alexander, Nick Deleon, Patrick Redlin, Kris Russell, Zach Mackey, James Burris, Jimmy Vogel.



**G**oalie David Baxter awaits the ball as a Lansing player takes a shot. freshmen Justin Moulin runs back to help on defense.

**J**unior Judith Plumb prepares for a forehand at the Lawrence Dual, which she won 6-2. Plumb was the number one singles player for varsity squad and also went to Regionals as number one singles player.

**S**ophomores Katy Killingsworth and Hilary Johnson pass the balls over the net as they prepare to play doubles at a Bonner dual. They bageled (when opponents don't win a game) the Maranatha girls 6-0. "It always feels good to bagel someone because it boosts your self-confidence," Killingsworth said.

**F**reshmen Cassity Mitchell and Stephanie Hern wait for the return from their duals opponents. The two started the season off together. All of the girls could challenge each other for a higher position on the tennis ladder, which would determine which player would advance to a higher position in the next match.



## SCOREBOARD

Bishop Miege Dual	0-9
Olathe North Dual	4-3
Sumner Dual	6-2
Baldwin Tourney	8-8
Maranatha Dual	6-3
Olathe NW Dual	7-2
Lawrence Dual	9-0
DeSoto Tourney	2nd
Lincoln Academy Dual	9-0
Bonner Tourney	2nd
St. Theresa's Academy	0-9

\*State Qualifiers: Doubles Team, Tara Smith and Kim Stephens

**F**ront Row: Alexis Kimbrough, Danielle Perica. Second Row: Judith Plumb, Tara Smith, Kim Stephens, Malina Meyer, Jenni Ova. Third Row: Cassity Mitchell, Janae Bailey, Kristina Luke, Katy Killingsworth, Hilary Johnson, Jessica Langley, Emily DeVore. Fourth Row: Bill Scott, Stephanie Hern, Michaela Kroh, Carmen Claiborne, Lindsay Blasche, Brianna VanSchoelandt, Becky Stude, Cole Kill, Deb Loker. Not Pictured: Kristin Korgol.



*"I play tennis to have fun, but it's cool to be good at it too. The team improved more and more later on in the season and that was great."*



Tara Smith



Alexis Kimbrough

*"With this being my last year, I felt that Hils (Hilary Johnson) and I ended the season great. I'll miss the friendship with all the tennis girls."*

**S**tarting out the season in hot weather, and getting up early to play in tournaments, all 22 girls tennis players put the effort into trying their best.

The varsity tennis team was primarily made up of returning lettermen.

"The seniors this year were leaders for the varsity team. There really were no standouts this year, all six varsity players were strong," Coach Bill Scott said.

Scott also had nine freshmen come out for the team.

"The freshmen all had good attitudes; they showed up to all the practices and worked hard on improving," Scott said.

The highlight of the season was when 2002 State doubles qualifiers, Tara Smith and Kim Stephens qualified again for State in 2003. Also performing well at Regionals were doubles team, sophomore

Hilary Johnson and senior Alexis Kimbrough, and singles player, junior Judith Plumb. All won their first rounds but lost in their second round. Also, senior Danielle Perica fell short in a battle against

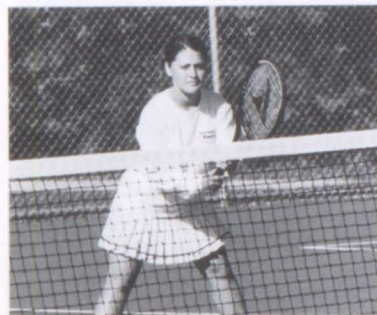
Olathe Northwest in a tie breaker match at Regionals.

Even with the age-mixing, returners, newcomers, and changing weather, all the girls were happy about the overall season.

"This season had a great outcome. A lot of our goals were met, and it was a great experience to play tennis.

There were many friendships made," Perica said.

—Hilary Johnson



**P**laying the net, senior Danielle Perica participates in a doubles match in the Bonner dual. Perica was one of the three seniors on the tennis team.

# Success for Tennis



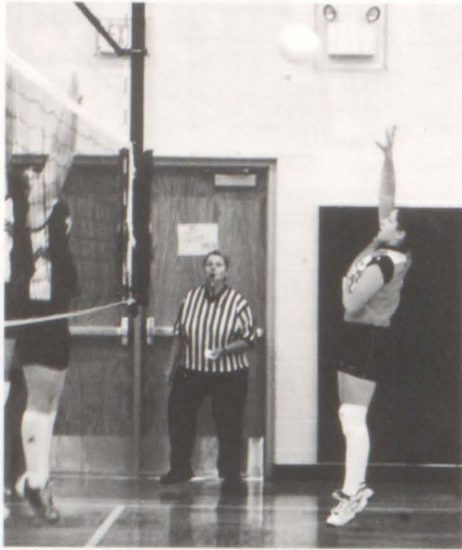
**W**ith her tennis racket up and ready, freshman and junior varsity player, Carmen Claiborne prepares to return the tennis ball. The junior varsity girls had a successful season with a 6-1-1 record.

**R**eturning lettermen and number one doubles team, juniors Tara Smith and Kim Stephens play at home at one of their four home duals. Regionals was also held at home.

**O**n Senior Night, Oct. 14, senior Andrea Zarate puts up a serve. The seniors were all acknowledged and walked in by their parents.

**S**macking the ball, junior Ashley A. Williams sends it sailing across the net. "It seems that this year we had more unity and were closer than we had been my previous years," Williams said.

**A**t the annual Wyandotte County Tourney, senior Corie Crouch hustles to the ground to pass the ball. Covering her are seniors Whitney Peterson, and Jennifer Sullivan, and sophomore Jacey Totta. Bonner took fourth place out of seven teams.



## SCOREBOARD

Baldwin	0-3
Eudora	0-1
Basehor-Linwood	2-1
Bishop Seabury	1-0
DeSoto	1-0
Maranatha	1-0
Atchison	1-0
Tonganoxie	0-2
Oskaloosa	2-0
Wellsville	0-1
Perry-Lecompton	2-1
Gardner-Edgerton	0-1
Lansing	1-0
Spring Hill	1-0
Manhattan	0-1
Bishop Ward	0-3
Mill Valley	0-2
Santa Fe Trail	0-1
Piper	2-0
Sumner Academy	0-1
Washington	0-1
Immaculata	0-1
Olathe South	0-1
Wyandotte	1-0
Ottawa	0-1

Overall Record 13-23

### Varsity/Junior Varsity Volleyball-Front

Row: Tiffany Starks, Andrea Hausler, Whitney Peterson, Ashley Pardew. Middle Row: Andrea Zarate, Emily Dougherty, Ashley A. Williams, Jane Ingenthron, Chase Crouch. Back Row: Jacey Totta, Corie Crouch, Christina Delladio, DeDe Cline, Jennifer Sullivan, Lisa Zarate.





*"I had so much fun this year. It was a blast, and I will be really sad when volleyball season rolls around next year!"*



Whitney Peterson



Jennifer Sullivan

*"I'm really going to miss volleyball next year! I'll miss practice and being with my freinds everyday."*

Starting off the season in August, Coach Staci Lowe knew there would be a slight problem with the girls varsity volleyball team. As every girl before her stood at most 5'7", she quickly had to think of a strategy for the upcoming season.

"I knew right away we had to be a good defensive team, and it would be hard to play against other Kaw Valley teams, but our strengths should come through," Lowe said.

"We may not have height, but we have heart, and a lot of the time that can go farther than a real tall team," senior Corie Crouch said.

At the end of the season, even with a losing record of 13-23, all the girls agreed that what Crouch said was true.

Of the teams they faced, the Bravettes were the only team not to have an athlete over the height of 5'9".



"I really thought we'd be okay against bigger teams because we're quick. But putting the ball down on the other side was definitely a challenge at times," Lowe said.

In November, when the season came to an end, the team proved to themselves that height, although usually an advantage, was not essential to how well they played.

—Jacey Totta

To assist a hitter, junior setter Chase Crouch sets up the ball. The setter is a vital part on any team. Setters always have the second touch and their job is always to push the ball to the net for any hitter to attack.

# Hoping for Height



**F**reshmen Team—Front Row: Annette Cline, Cori Wallace, Chelsea Shockey, Rakeisha Dillard. Second Row: Stephanie Conn, Brittany Crane, Cari Frazey. Back Row: Ally Venerable, Courtney D'Anieri.



**S**enior Ashley Pardew puts up a pass during a match against Baldwin. Pardew was varsity's defensive specialist and ended the season with an estimated 6-7 digs per game.

Senior Kevin Dame makes the tackle on the Tonganoxie Chiefs' quarterback, while seniors Adam Romero and Kenny Mack help take him down.

The four senior captains, Drew Hess, Brett Shelton, Matt Middleton and Danny Gardner walk out with the referees for the coin toss. "Being a captain means leading the team and talking to someone if they need to talk," Shelton said.



Senior Drew Hess tackles a Lansing Lion at the home opener. Hess had 51 tackles and 46 assists for the year.



## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Lansing	30-5
Tonganoxie	25-29
Piper	14-27
Shawnee Heights	0-6
Mill Valley	45-35
Basehor-Linwood	15-28
Washington	36-6
St. Thomas Aquinas	0-41
Schlagle	9-6
Topeka Seaman	0-45

Overall Record 4-6

### Varsity Football Team—

Front Row: A. Martin, D. Burton, D. Hess, F. Vogan, A. Romero, K. Mack, J. Umbenhower, N. Newby. Second Row: R. Mortell, S. Elmer, J. Mitchell, D. Burns, L. Kasselmann, S. May, M. Bechard, J. Thomas, P. Bailey. Third Row: K. Dame, D. Gardner, M. Pier, J. Jones, T. Hubbel, J. Lamb, E. McComb, R. Wild, M. Middleton, J. Davis. Fourth Row: C. McDonald, W. Davis, D. Beard, R. Holter, H. Rollins, D. Baxter, N. Liston, K. Courtney, J. Baxter. Fifth Row: B. Shelton, A. Holmes, N. White, R. Smith, C. Johnson, T. Carnes, B. Rittinghouse, M. Hernandez.





*"Overall I think we did all right, but I don't think we went where we wanted to go."*



Drew Hess



Danny Gardner

*"I couldn't have played on a better team my senior year. I am proud to be a part of a successful program."*

**W**hat is the significance of a simple piece of rope? Just ask a football player because every one of them had to either wear or have a rope on them at all times.

"It's called 'Hold the Rope.' If you were hanging off a cliff and you had some rope, who would you want on the other end to pull you up? Someone you can trust," senior Matt Middleton said. "Since we are a family, you should want anyone on the team to pull you up."

Even though they may have slipped up at times, they always made a comeback to prove themselves.

"After the Basehor game, we realized that we can't just expect to step out on the field and win the game," junior Jordan Lamb said.

Holding on to the rope enabled them to have great moments too. For example, they started

off the season with a win against Lansing and defeated Mill Valley for the Homecoming game. In addition, it was the second year that the team made it to the playoffs.



The team was led by 12 seniors. Senior Drew Hess won the Offensive Player of the Year, senior Danny Gardner won the Defensive Player of the Year and also got the Big Hit Award, and senior Matt Middleton was the Most Valuable Player of the Year.

Even though they didn't have an overall winning season, they worked as a team and kept a "hold of the rope."

—Theresa Wild

**T**he varsity football players work together and tackle anyone that gets in their way. "When we worked together, we played a lot better," sophomore Ron Wild said.

# Hold the Rope



**F**reshman Football Team—**Front Row:** J. Huston, J. Ruby, J. Dobson, T. Ballard, L. Phillips, J. Porter, J. Bartels. **Second Row:** M. Jasiczek, K. Cahill, J. Bailey, D. Walker, C. Montgomery, M. Caquelin, P. Cisneros. **Third Row:** E. Snider, J. McConico, J. Beckham, C. Camp, W. Wilson, J. Hernandez. **Fourth Row:** D. Brown, B. Hoch, A. McClain, B. Waters, B. Robison, J. Haas, C. Hundley.



**H**ustling after the Tonganoxie Chieftains' ball carrier, senior Kenny Mack makes sure that the Chieftain player doesn't make it any farther. Mack had a total of 21 tackles and 21 assists for the year.

**A**t the Mill Valley Invitational, senior Kristy Holt gains on a Mill Valley runner. Holt finished the race with a time of 14.33, her best time of the season.



**S**enior Everett Shepherd runs hard to beat his last time. Shepherd was one place short from qualifying for State. He finished in 16th place at Regionals with a time of 17.36.



**J**unior Mandie Lewis runs along side of senior Liz Brown. The girls team finished with a full team in five of the eight races.



## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Boys/Girls
Garnett	7th/6th
Paola	5th/7th
Bonner	3rd/6th
Ottawa	6th/NP
Bishop Miege	12th/NP
Mill Valley	9th/9th
Kaw Valley	9th/7th
Regionals	7th/NP

**F**ront Row: Liz Brown, Kristy Holt, Jessica Adkins, Alexis Foster, Tiffany Starks, Mandie Lewis, Phillip Shirley, Eric Nielsen, Tom Burris, Lamonte Gilrath. Back Row: Zack Mackey, Danny Thompson, Billy Jaskinia, Brett Johnson, Dylan Tuckel, Jordan Mackey, Nathan Smith, Derrick Babcock, Solomon Bennett, Jon McIntyre, Everett Shepherd, Seth Jenkins, Myjestic Hickmon.



*"This year went good because we had a lot of young runners out.*

*We should have a good team for the next four years."*



Everett Shepherd



Kristy Holt

*"The girls were successful because we had a full team. We were dedicated and ran well. I really had fun with them."*

**R**ight before 7:00 when the golden sun was beginning to brighten the morning sky, the cross-country team had already made the commitment to be up early and start running.

"I liked running in the morning better than in the afternoon because in the morning it was cooler and we could have the afternoon free to do other things besides cross-country," junior Mandie Lewis said.

The runners would meet at 6:45 in the morning on the track and then they would run their usual route. They would start at the track, then jog up Pratt Street, then down Morse Street to Lion's Park. The runners would follow their way back to the track.

Besides running in the mornings, the runners would do a pool work out at the YMCA, where they would sprint for thirty minutes in

the water. These workouts took place either two days before a meet or on Fridays after a meet.

"The pool workout was my favorite part because it was something different besides running. It gave us a break," junior Jessica Adkins said.

All the hard work paid off. Senior Everett Shepherd, led the way medaling in six of the eight meets and missing a

State berth by one place.

"With a good crop of young runners, varsity competition will be tight during the years to come," Coach Bill Downing said.

—Kellie Gardner



**F**reshman Solomon Bennett keeps a steady pace while the Maranatha runner struggles to keep up. Bennett's best time of the season was 18.48.

# Running with Reason

**F**reshman Philip Shirley runs hard to pass the Basehor runner at the Bonner Invitational. There was a total of nine freshmen on the team.



**S**ophomore Josh Palcher runs at a meet while Coach Bill Downing cheers him on. "Mr. Downing was awesome. He told me what needed to be done and made me want to try harder," Palcher said.



**J**unior Kori McGinnis and senior Savannah Clouse, along with the rest of their varsity squad, get the crowd pumped at the fall pep assembly. "First assemblies are always the best. Everyone is ready to cheer," sophomore Dan Sanford said.

**S**ophomore Robert Smith supports junior Kellie Gardner on the KU campus during cheerleading camp. The other varsity cheerleaders and yelleaders spot.



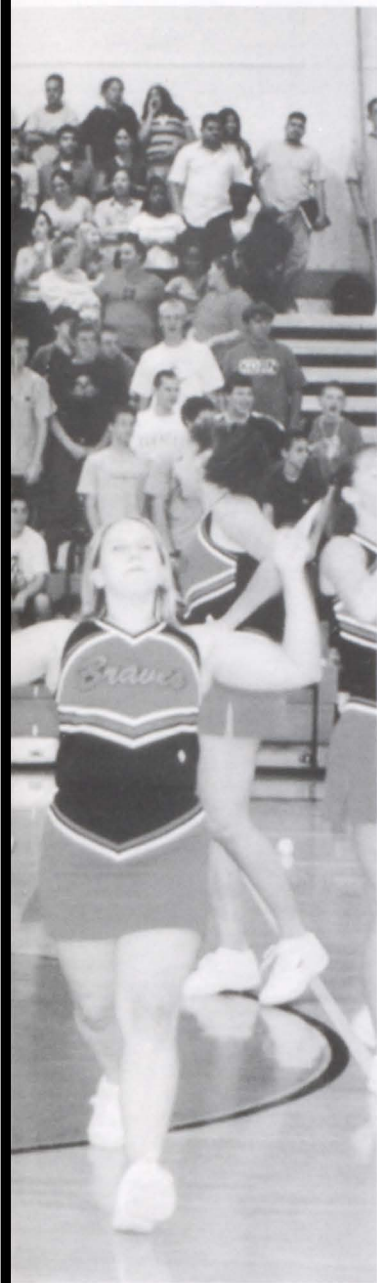
**S**enior Savannah Clouse, juniors Kim Stephens and Mandi Lewis, and sophomore Kristina Luke perform the cheer, "BEAT" at the football home opener against Lansing.



**Varsity Cheerleaders**—Front Row: Mandi Lewis, Jamie Frentrop, Janae Bailey. Middle Row: Kristina Luke, Savannah Clouse, Aminda Bohnert, Kellie Gardner. Back Row: LuCretia Hinson, Kim Stephens, Robert Smith, Meghan Hahn, Kori McGinnis. Not Pictured: Tyler Mills, Dee Adger, Dan Sanford.



**Junior Varsity Cheerleaders**—Front Row: Sara Stephens, Jessica Umbenhower. Back Row: Jessi Langley, Heather Rose, Teann Eveland, Andi Smith.



*"I liked being on JV. It helped me know the simple stuff, and so next year I'm ready for whatever comes."*



Andi Smith



LuCretia Hinson

*"Cheerleaders aren't just flirts in skirts, we're true athletes too!"*

**W**hen going to summer cheerleading camp, "The Herkie Award" is something that every cheer squad hopes and prays it will get. The "Herkie Award" is awarded to the best squad.

With perfect stunts and awesome volume in their voices, the varsity cheerleaders went for the award and won.

The cheer camp was held at the University of Kansas on July 25-28, 2003 and was hosted by the NCA (National Cheerleading Association).

"I felt very honored to be receiving such an awesome award, especially with it being my first year on varsity," sophomore Meghan Hahn said.

During the school year, the cheerleaders practiced at least twice a week. When a big pep assembly was coming up, they practiced

up to three times a week.

"The practices were hard, but we learned a lot of things while we were there that helped us out in the long run. So all in all they were great for the squad," sophomore Kristina Luke said.



The cheerleaders performed at every football and basketball game, home and away. They also went to all of the home wrestling meets.

"I think the year went great. We did well at camp, earning the Team Award, which is the most prestigious one at camp," Varsity Coach Jennifer Schlicht said. "We had some rough spots throughout the season, but ended up having a great year."

*-Teann Eveland*

**T**he cheerleaders put on their "game faces" for the Tiblow Days Parade. Earlier that summer, the cheerleaders went to KU for the NCA Cheer Camp and received "The Hurkie Award."

# Awards for Cheering



**T**he varsity cheerleaders perform "WIN" at the Tonganoxie football game. "Even though we cheer for football and basketball games all year, my favorite part of cheerleading was when we went to camp over the summer because we all bonded and got to know each other," junior captain Kellie Gardner said.

**S**ophomores Teann Eveland and Jessi Langley put up Andi Smith in at the first pep assembly while freshman Heather Rose pumps up the crowd. "The pep assembly went great! At the beginning we all had fears of messing up, but it was perfect," Langley said.

Swimming backstroke, sophomore Andrew Holder kicks his hardest. Holder was a returning letter winner and has been swimming for Fun Valley for several years during the summer.

Senior Jon McIntyre swims the 100 yard butterfly at a home meet. "He's awesome! A very motivated and talented swimmer. He was extremely consistent and scored tons of points in every meet," Coach Wanda Simchuk said.



## SCOREBOARD

Meet	Place
Raytown	2nd
Bonner Springs	1st
St Joe Central	1st
Bonner Springs	2nd
Washington	1st
Leavenworth	1st
Lawrence Free State	2nd
Independent League Championships	3rd
Bonner Springs	1st

**B**oys Swim Team—  
 Front Row: Cassity Mitchell, Jessi Langley, Jon McIntyre, Tyler Mills, Frank Vogan, Jon Woodall, Jordan Mackey, Matt Haas, Josh Woods. Middle Row: Robert Holter, Jeff Hern, Travis Hubble, Jared Harrington. Back Row: Coach Wanda Simchuk, Andrew Holder, Matthew Redlin and Jordan Chronister.



*"Our team was so much like a big group of brothers. We always joked around and had so much fun!"*



John Woodall



Tyler Mills

*"We couldn't go a day or a practice without having fun. It just couldn't happen. The season overall was an absolute blast."*

The boy's swim team started strong and ended even stronger. Within the first week of practice, senior Jon McIntyre swam the 50-yard freestyle under 24 seconds, faster than he ever had the season before.

"I knew right away we would have a good season," Coach Wanda Simchuk said.

Coach Simchuk had lots of faith in her boys and knew if she pushed them hard enough, they would definitely achieve their goals.

Within their first meet, McIntyre qualified for State in the 50 yard freestyle, hit consideration time in the 100 yard butterfly, and both 200 yard relays (freestyle and medley) also hit consideration.

"Mrs. Simchuk was so happy with our team. She gave us a lot of tough practices, but she still motivated us to win," McIntyre said.

At the Independent League Championship Finals, the relay team of McIntyre along with senior, Tyler Mills and sophomores Jeff Hern and Andrew

Holder finally qualified for State in their 200-yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:37.69.

"I loved qualifying! We worked so hard and I felt like we deserved it," Holder said.

In Manhattan, for the State competition, the medley relay ended 18th, and the free-relay ended 17th. McIntyre came home with the 13th in the 50-yard and the 27th in the 100-yard freestyle.

"I felt proud of the guys for making it to state and swimming so well. I couldn't have asked for a better season,"

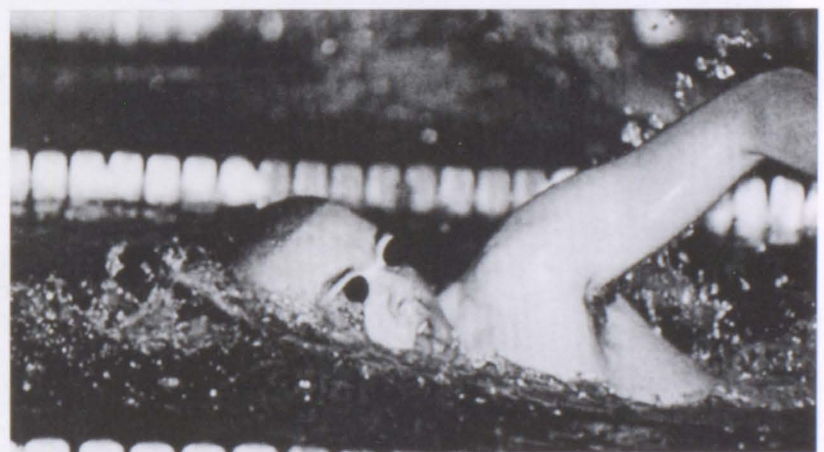
Simchuk said.

—Jacey Totta



## Swimming to Success

One junior, Jordan Mackey swims breaststroke during the boys' first home meet. Although Mackey was the only junior, he was one of the only members to consistently swim the breaststroke.



Coach Wanda Simchuk hands sophomore Jeff Hern his medal after the medley relay took first place at the Independent League Championships at Central High School in Kansas City, Missouri. Hern swam the freestyle anchor in the relay.

During a swim meet in a freestyle race, senior Frank Vogan swims hard. A highlight of the season was when Vogan won both the 500 yard freestyle, and the 200-yard relay at the Washington dual.

Playing a tight 2-3 zone defense, the Bravette's fought hard on their season opener against Gardner. "This is the first year that we didn't play much man defense and the girls did a good job adjusting to our zone defense," Coach Garold Baker said.

Shooting the ball in her deadly spot, Nyse Pinks was known for her jump shot. The only senior on the team, Pinks was voted team MVP.

Fighting for a loose ball, sophomores Stephanie Elmer and Lisa Zarate hang onto the ball. The Tonganoxie game was one of the many close games the Bravette's lost.



## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Gardner	40-49
Lansing	44-45
Mill Valley	36-47
Fort Scott	43-50
Piper	40-43
Basehor	38-32
Perry LeCompton	38-33
Tonganoxie	51-53 OT
KC Northeast	41-27
St. Joe Benton	38-45
St. Teresa's	33-46
Topeka Seaman	30-39
Mill Valley	38-42
Lansing	51-42 OT
Turner	41-34
Immaculata	30-45
DeSoto	36-55
Basehor	47-35
Santa Fe Trail	18-51
Tonganoxie	40-57
KC Schlagle	33-55

**V**arsity Girls  
Basketball— Front  
Row: Lisa Zarate,  
Stephanie Elmer, Sarah  
Reyes. Back Row: Hilary  
Johnson, Nyse Pinks,  
John Rost, Ashley  
Venerable, Garold Baker,  
Taryn Lane, Chase  
Crouch, Monty Bechard.







*"It was cool playing with all the younger girls and being able to step up as a leader. God bless you all!"*



Nyse Pinks



Doris Dragush

*"I'm sad that this is my last year. It was my best year. I scored seven points against Piper and started varsity on Senior Night."*

Having only two seniors on the team, the girls needed leadership. The Bravette's also lacked players and height. With young girls seeing a lot of varsity time, and no one on the team taller than 5'9", the team was definitely lacking something.

"We were a young team and that really showed. We did some really great things that can only get better in the future years," junior Chase Crouch said.

With many non-returners and only two returning lettermen, the girls went 0-5 before they got their first win against Basehor.

After losing to Lansing at home by one point, they went to play them again on Lansing's Senior Night. The girls took them into over time and beat them by nine. This was their first close game that the team came out on top.

"We played a good game but should have beaten Lansing the first time we played them," junior Ashley Venerable said.

Sophomore Hilary Johnson broke two school records. With the most three-pointers made in a game (5) against Perry LeCompton, and the most three-pointers made in a season with 38.

Senior Nyse Pinks was named KVL All League, Basehor All Tournament Team, and she also played in the Fort Scott Community college all star game.

Overall with a record of 6-15, the young Bravette's were stepping towards next year.

—Hilary Johnson



Freshman Taryn Lane prepares to take a free throw against Fort Scott. Lane was a starter for the varsity team and the Bravette's tallest player at 5'10".

## Reasons to Step Up



### Junior Varsity/ Freshmen Girls Basketball

**Row:** Megan Bond, Mindy Morasch, Lisa Zarate, Stephanie Elmer, RikkiAnn Burks, Tiffany Starks. **Middle Row:** Cori Wallace, Rakeshia Dillard, Courtney D'Anieri, Alli Venerable, Emily DeVore, Sarah Reyes. **Back Row:** John Rost, Ashley Newsom, Christina Delladio, Doris Dragush, Ashley Venerable, Monty Bechard.



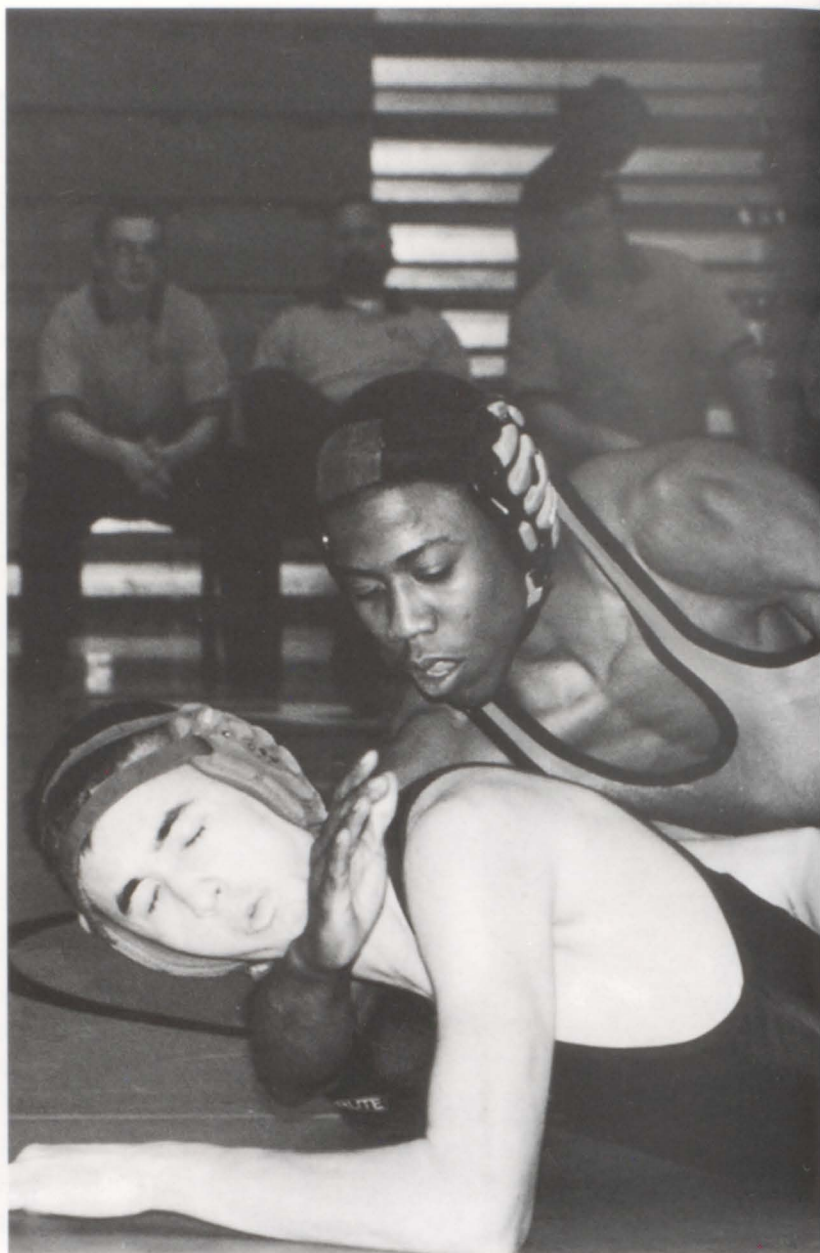
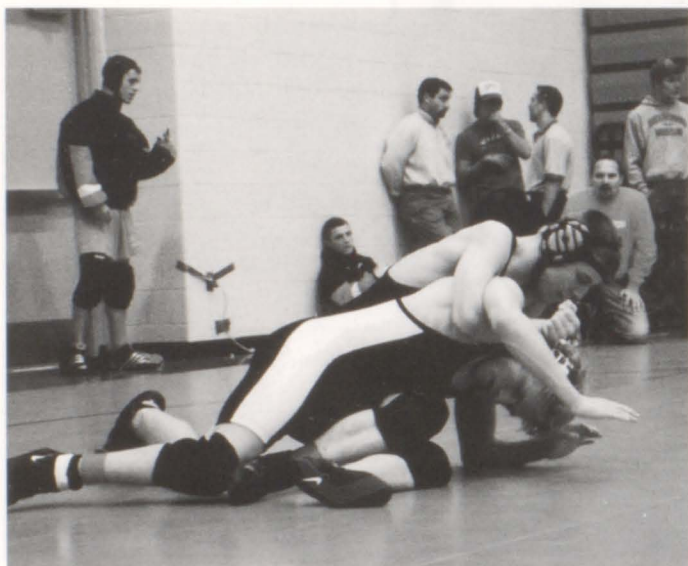
Junior Chase Crouch dribbles the ball down to set up the offense. Crouch was one of the two returning lettermen for the Bravettes.

**S**enior Matthew Middleton cross faces a Leavenworth opponent while running the baseball series in a home dual. Middleton went 40-3 for the season.



**S**enior Jess Buck accepts his victory after defeating his SMNW opponent at the Dick Burns Mat Classic. Buck was a four-time letter winner.

**S**enior Erick Ratliff executes a power half with the legs at a home meet. Ratliff was a four time state qualifier, and placed fifth his sophomore year.

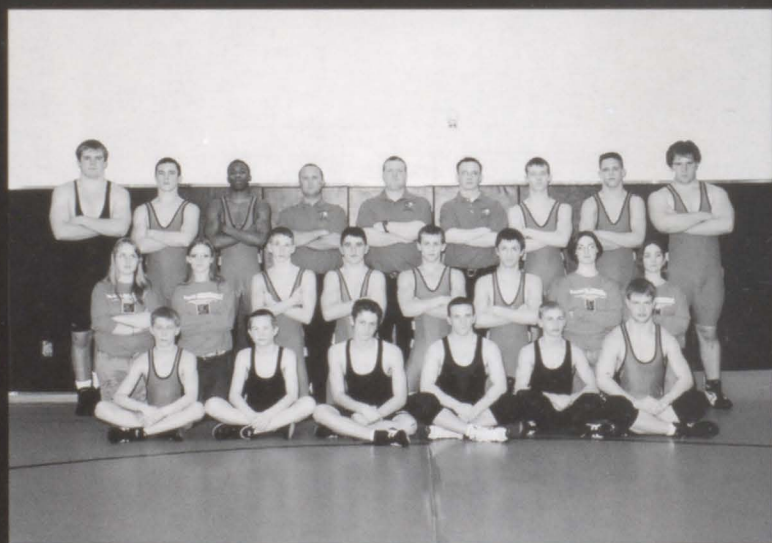


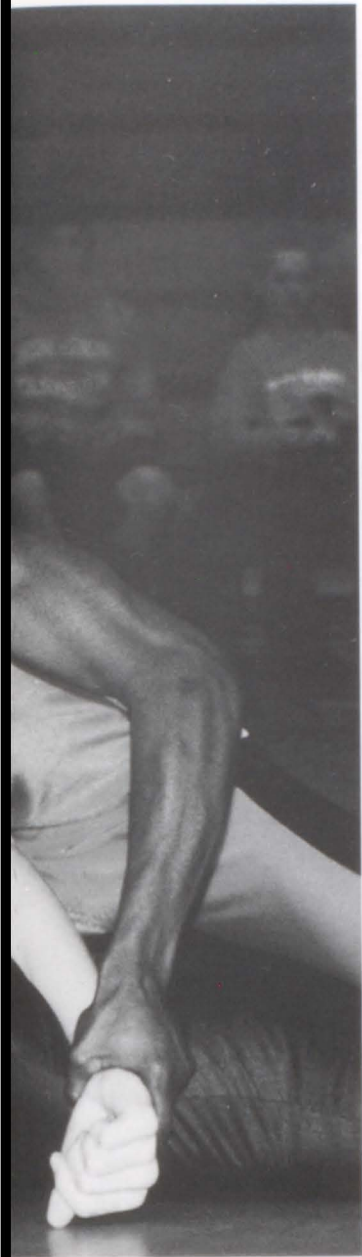
## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Basehor	66-22
Piper	68-17
Paola	35-45
Leavenworth	34-46
DeSoto	51-30
Santa Fe Trail	19-51
Lansing	18-54
Mill Valley	38-36
Tonganoxie	40-30
Kaw Valley League	1st
Regionals	4th
State	18th

### Varsity/Junior Varsity Wrestling—

Front Row: Ian Seaton, Chris Caudill, Tom Burris, Matt MaKay, Cory Mulich, Billy Ballard. Second Row: Elanie Dewaard, Heather Rose, Travis Mulich, Mitch Lewis, Jess Buck, Ales Silvers, Ashley Lea, Jessica Vogel. Third Row: Robert Smith, Danny Gardner, Matthew Middleton, Mike Holloway, Dan Burns, Jimmy Vogel, Erick Ratliff, Steven Beck, Brad Rittinghouse.





*"I wanted to show the underclassmen what hard work and goals can do for them."*

*Matthew Middleton*

Everything we do we do together, could be heard from the BSHS wrestling room after every practice and before every meet.

Senior Matthew Middleton proved this to be more than just a statement when he won the class 5A 135 pound State championship. He came off the mat to cheers and hoorays.

Even though he proved himself as the best in the State he didn't take full credit for his success. Not only did he thank his coaches for showing him the way, he also thanked every member of the wrestling team from big to small.

"I have always wanted to be a high school State champ," Middleton said. "I couldn't do it without coaches Jimmy Vogel, Dan Burns and Mike Holloway, and all the supporters that wished me good luck."

*"It was awesome to place in state, I always knew that I could, it was just a matter of doing it."*

*Brad Rittinghouse*

Middleton wasn't the only member of the team to receive State honors. Brad Rittinghouse also placed. He took sixth.

"It was so cool to place," Rittinghouse said. "I was ranked all year, but I never really thought that it could come true."

Ending the year with the twelfth State champ in school history and also a sixth place finisher to accompany him, the year proved to be a success for

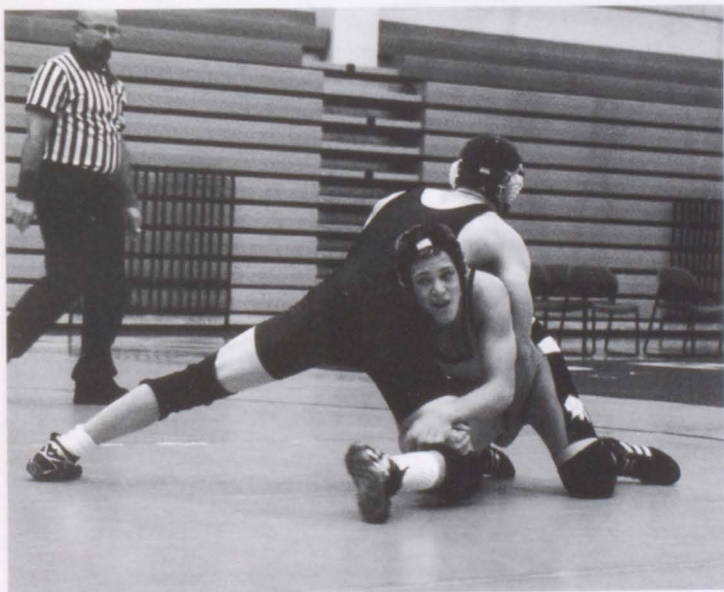
the Braves and Head Coach Dan Burns.

*—Erick Ratliff*



Sophomore Travis Mulich, 112 pound weight class, gets set in the referee's position at a home meet against SMNW foe. Mulich was one of seven Braves wrestlers who qualified for State.

# All for One and One for All



Sophomore Steven Beck pulls in a single leg against his opponent from Leavenworth. "I thought that I had a pretty good season, but there is always room for improvement so I will keep working hard and getting better," Beck said.

Senior Danny Gardner uses a cross face to fend off his Paola opponent. Gardner placed fourth in State in 2002.

Sophomore Nick White makes a two pointer with senior Sidney Birdsong watching, ready to make a rebound against Tonganoxie. White had 119 rebounds, 57 blocks and was voted the best defensive player.

Brett Shelton, senior, prepares to pass the ball to a teammate at the game against Tonganoxie. Shelton was voted the most inspirational player by his team.

Junior Jordan Lamb shoots for a three pointer at the game against Bishop Miege. "Being coached by Coach Streit was inspirational and got us going," Lamb said. "He believed in us when other people didn't."



## Scoreboard

Opponent	Score
Gardner	56-57
Lansing	51-56
Mill Valley	49-59
Fort Scott	42-67
Piper	63-58
Basehor	68-50
Perry	67-55
Tonganoxie	66-57
St. Joe Central	67-58
Atchison	62-78
Fort Scott	50-70
Topeka Seaman	46-45
Mill Valley	45-70
Lansing	55-72
Bishop Meige	56-60
Immaculata	56-67
DeSota	57-49
Basehor	77-66
Santa Fe Trail	65-64
Tonganoxie	55-44
Washington	55-84

**Varsity Boys Basketball**—Front Row: Alexis Foster, Jeff Hills, Toine Barber, Christian McDonald, Lance Barber, Brett Shelton, Rachell Robare. Back Row: Dan Streit, Bill Downing, Nick White, Don Kirby, Chris Johnson, Travis Shockey, Sidney Birdsong, Andy Price.





"We had to get experience before we could start winning games. When we did, we ended the season pretty good at 10-11."



Travis Shockey



Brett Shelton

"It was frustrating sometimes working with younger varsity members, but for most of the time it was fun."

**U**nity: "the fact or state of being one; accord; agreement; harmony." Being unified played an important role for the boys basketball team.

"We had a good year. It was definitely much harder when we had so little varsity experience to start the year," Head Coach Andy Price said. "But it was obvious that we showed great improvement."

At the start of the season the Braves lost their first four games.

"The hardest time for me was losing the first four games at the beginning of the season because that's not how I expected to start my senior year," Sidney Birdsong said.

To win, the boys had to work together as a team, on and off the court.

"I feel the team worked together as one. At the beginning of the year we really hadn't played much together," junior Toine Barber said. "But once we came together as a team and began to gel as a team we started playing a lot better."



Although the boys played together as a team, they fell short the first round at Sub-state.

"I think the boys really grew together as a group. Even if our record doesn't show it, the boys really played well," coach Dan Streit said.

—Kari Meints

**J**unior Toine Barber reaches for the ball at the game against Fort Scott. Barber had the highest free throw percentage leading the team with 82.3%.

# Unity on the Court



**J**unior Varsity Boys Basketball—**Front Row:** Adam Carver, Anthony Brown, Emmanuel McComb, Delone Baylis, Jordan Lamb. **Middle Row:** Alexis Foster, Rachel Robare. **Back Row:** Dan Streit, Christopher Callahan, Isaac Garlington, Blake Kasselmann, Josh Ova, Joshua Palcher, Lamonte Gilrath, Keven Courtney.



**S**ophomore Jeff Hills scrambles for the loose ball. "My best experience was when I scored 22 points against Piper and felt like I was part of the team," Hills said.

**B**efore the home meet, the players practice a few shots on the driving range. The team practiced for at least 30 minutes or more before each meet.

**J**unior John Pino holds up the flag from the hole. Depending on the player, the flag was lifted when the ball arrived near the hole.



**S**enior James Hovey watches his ball land on the green. Hovey was a varsity golfer for three years.



## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Place
Bonner Invitational	3rd
Sunflower Classic	4th
Gardner Invitational	5th
Lansing Invitational	6th
Wy-Co Invitational	3rd
Ottawa Invitational	2nd
Kaw Valley League	6th
Regionals	5th
State	N/A

**V**arsity Golf Team—  
Howard Rollins,  
Dustin Harding,  
Cameron Buck  
Joe Bartels, Nick  
Robertson, Ed Samek,  
John Pino, James  
Hovey, Bob Chatterton.  
Not Pictured: Junior  
Varsity— Jordan  
Chronister, Chris  
Mattox, Megan  
Hackney, Jarred  
Harrington, Jake  
Henry, Calen  
Montgomery.



*"We had some good individual scores. We also had a good coach and we'll miss him after he retires from coaching golf."*



Nick Robertson



Ed Samek

*"I would say the team didn't do as well as we had anticipated, but it was fun. It's sad that coach is leaving and a major asset, James."*

In the movie *Happy Gilmore* and many others, golf is portrayed as a man's game. That's not so with Bonner Springs High School.

Within the team of males, there stood one lone female. That girl was freshman, Maggie Hackney.

In Bonner's golf history, with Bob Chatterton as coach, there had been only one other female to ever play. In 1985, that was Julie Lang. Hackney made the second.

"She's very good for her first time. For not ever having picked up the club," junior John Pino said.

Along with her being the only female, there's another person who stood alone in the game, senior James Hovey.

As the only senior, Hovey took the lead in helping out the other underclassmen.

"Our senior did a good job with his leadership role," Coach Bob Chatterton said.

Also stepping off the green for the last time was Coach Chatterton. Chatterton retired after twenty five years of coaching golf. The golf team will truly miss him.

"Mr. Chatterton has been a great golf coach. We'll miss him, and I hope he enjoys his retirement," junior Dustin Harding said.

When the team went to Regionals, James Hovey placed fifth receiving a medal, while Ed Samek was a qualifier which moved them on to state.

At State, Hovey shot an eighty-nine and Samek an eighty-four, which placed them in the middle.

—Kari Meints



Junior Ed Samek crouches down, reading his line. "My favorite part of golf is going to practice and playing with all of my friends," Samek said.

## Stepping on and off the Green



Junior John Pino takes a swing on green 11 at Sunflower Golf Course. "Although I played badly most of the season, I improved a lot, but I still have some things to work on," Pino said.

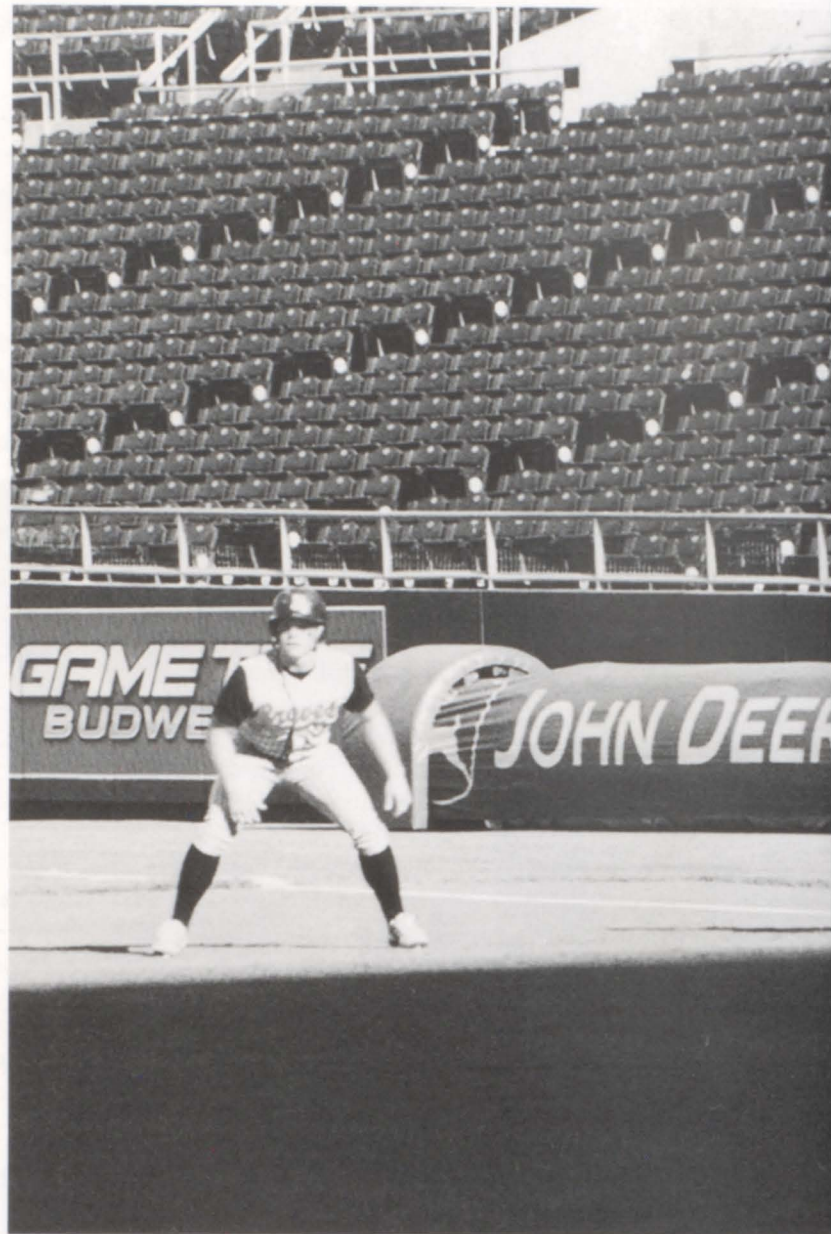
Freshmen Joe Bartels practices on his swing before he makes the big shot. "Practicing helps align the ball and the feeling of where the ball will land," Bartels said.

**S**enior Drew Hess gets a good lead off at first base at Kauffman Stadium against the Basehor-Linwood Bobcats.

**S**enior Kevin Dame gets ready to pitch the ball during the Basehor/Bonner game at Royals Stadium. Dame was one of the starting pitchers for the Braves.



**A**fter junior Mike Pier hit his homerun during the game against Basehor at the Royals Stadium, the team members came out to congratulate him.



## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Santa Fe Trails	0-11, 3-14
Perry-LeCompton	5-7, 0-4
Lansing	8-18, 2-7
Desoto	8-6, 5-10
Tonganoxie	8-7, 18-4
Piper	9-10, 2-9
Mill Valley	16-1, 11-1
Bishop Miege	1-7, 3-13
Basehor-Linwood	4-7, 6-8
Turner	4-19

Overall Record 3-16

**V**arsity Baseball—  
**Front Row:** Billy Ballard, Philip Bailey, Mike Pier, Kevin Dame, Jordan Lamb, Keith Frazier, Jacob Nelson.  
**Back Row:** Steve May, Keven Courtney, Chris Johnson, Josh Ova, Josh Palcher, Jeff Hern, Rick Moulin.





*"The underclassmen had to step up and play our hardest, which will make it beneficial for next year."*



Jacob Nelson



Keith Frazier

*"The team played well this year. There was a lot of talent, we just couldn't put it all together."*

**P**ut forth our best effort, never quit, and have no regrets," Coach Rick Moulin said at the beginning of the season in hopes of a strong season.

With there only being three seniors on the baseball team, all of the underclassmen had to step up and play their best and compete for varsity time throughout the season.

"It was a great learning experience for the underclassmen," Coach Rick Moulin said. "Several sophomores took part at varsity level which is a rare opportunity."

The season started off slow without a win until their first game against DeSoto. After the DeSoto game, their new record was 1-7.

"Certain Individuals made spectacular improvements every game," Jordan Lamb said.

On 16 April, the Braves were able to play Basehor-Linwood for the second season in a

row, at Kauffman Stadium. Although they lost 4-7, it was step up from last year.

"We did a lot better than last year. It was a complete 180 degree change," sophomore Jacob Nelson said.

Another change occurred at the Kauffman game when junior Mike Pier hit a crowd-roaring home run. The ball stayed fair by about 20 feet and traveled almost 380 feet to just barley clear the wall in the left field.

The Braves ended their season with a record of 3-16 and junior Billy Ballard making Second Team All-Kaw Valley League.

—Ashley A. Williams and Kellie Gardner

*(Some quotes and information courtesy of the Pow Wow and the Bonner Springs Chieftain.)*



**A**ttempting to steal against the Basehor Bobcats, senior Drew Hess dives into second base.

# Underclassmen Step Up



**J**unior Varsity Baseball—**Front Row:** Joey Schmidt, Chris Caudill, Larry Landsdown, Justin Moulin, Patrick Redlin, Jesse Hernandez, Mitch Lewis, James Huston. **Back Row:** Travis Hubbel, Matt Rivera, Chase Hundley, Brian O'Neill, Willie Wilson, Steven Hovey, Adam Carver.



**S**ophomore Josh Palcher catches the ball, while stepping on first base getting out the Basehor runner. Palcher was one of many underclassmen who stood up and competed for varsity time considering there were only three seniors for the team.

**P**ushing to finish the race, junior Will Davis gives it his all to make it to the finish line. Davis had a successful season and qualified for state in the 4 X 100 relay.



**G**etting up and over the high jump bar, freshman Eddie McClain shows proper technique in this event. This was McClain's first year on the track team, and he had a very memorable season. "The best memory this season is my first track meet when I took second place," McClain said.

**N**ot giving up, senior Kenny Mack runs his hardest to finish his event. Ending the season with an exceptional record, Mack also qualified for State in the 4 X 100 relay.



## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Girls/Boys
Baldwin Invite	12th/10th
Basehor Relays	6th/5th
Eudora Invite	7th/6th
Bonner Invite	7th/5th
DeSoto Invite	6th/3rd
Gardner	10th/7th
Wellsville Invite	13th/6th
Regionals	8th/7th

**T**rack Team—Front Row: A. McConico, A. Foster, R. Robare, R. Dillard, A. Kimbrough, C. Deladio, A. Venerable, B. VanSchoelandt, B. Stude, T. Hernandez. **Second Row:** L. Kasselmann, B. Downing, I. Seaton, J. Buehler, S. Davis, D. Babcock, M. Schad, J. Mitchell, A. Otroszko. **Third Row:** K. Mack, K. Cahill, J. McConico, E. Snider, M. Middleton, K. Parker, S. Bennett, Z. Mackey. **Fourth Row:** E. McComb, D. Tuckel, L. Gilrath, J. Baxter, C. Redden, A. Padilla, N. Deleon. **Fifth Row:** C. McDonald, A. Brown, C. Callahan, B. Kasselmann, T. Shockey, E. McClain, D. Baylis, W. Davis. **Not Pictured:** E. Shepherd.



*"We had a great season this year. We have a lot of younger athletes that will develop into great runners."*



Ashley Venerable



Christian McDonald

*"Dedicating yourself to track, gets you far. Track is all about dedication."*

This year track was all about the competition. Competition was outside of the team, as well as within the team. A little trash talk within the team was friendly and beneficial for the young team.

"I'm real pleased that we've got kids competing against each other. Competition like that makes everyone better," Head coach Jim Mitchell.

The squad was very young, with only seven seniors: Kenny Mack, Ashley McConico, Everett Shepherd, Travis Shockey, Alexis Kimbrough, Shayla Davis and Matt Middleton. Only four of them were returners.

Even with the young squad, there was a number of people on the team who qualified for the State track meet: freshmen Emmanuel McComb in the discus and Christina Delladio

in the high jump, junior Christain McDonald in the javelin, and senior Everett Shepherd in the 3200 meters. Also two relay teams qualified: the 4 x 800 relay including senior Matt Middleton, along with freshmen Solomon Bennett, Josh McConico, and Dylan Tuckel, and the 4 x 100 relay including senior Kenny Mack, junior Will Davis, and freshmen Chris Callahan and Anthony Brown.

"It was pretty cool to qualify for State because it was the hardest we've ran all year. We also practiced for a month," Brown said.

—Judith Plumb/Theresa Wild



Freshman Chris Callahan starts to make his break in the 4 x 100 relay at a home match. Callahan and the rest of his relay group qualified for State together this year.

## Competition from Within



After working hard, the team relaxes and waits for their next event. "I had high expectations and I was just trying to live up to them. It worked because I am a freshman on varsity," Josh McConico said.

Senior Ashley McConico winds up her arm preparing to throw the discus. McConico was one of seven seniors on the track team.

The starters for the varsity team circle around to do their hand to glove smircle to congratulate each other on an out. "Even though we had a tough year, I was proud the team stuck together," Coach Nancy Yankovich said.

**S**ophomore Stephanie Elmer prepares to bunt the ball as her teammates watch her from the dugout. This was Elmer's first year of varsity softball.



**T**hird baseman, sophomore Tiffany Moppin goes for the ball at one of the home games. Moppin was one of the underclassmen stepping up to fill a starting position on the field.



## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Score
Sumner	4-0
Santa Fe Trail	4-6, 7-8
Perry- Lecompton	0-3, 10-0
Lansing	0-5, 0-5
Tonganoxie	1-3, 0-4
DeSoto	3-4, 1-4
Piper	0-4, 3-4
Mill Valley	1-9, 0-6
Turner	3-4
West Franklin	11-5
Sumner	3-2
Basehor- Linwood	1-6, 3-7
Highland Park	6-2
Shawnee Heights	1-9
Overall Record	5-17

**V**arsity Softball—  
 Front Row: Tiffany Starks, Ashley Pardew.  
 Middle Row: Sarah Reyes, Judith Plimb, Hilary Johnson, Dede Cline, Candice Craven, Stephanie Elmer, Roxanne Evans. Back Row: Crissy Johns, Chase Crouch, Kristy Holt, Corie Crouch, Tiffany Moppin, Lisa Narate, Jessica Adkins, Nancy Yankovich.





*"This year was a big learning experience. I learned how to be a good loser because before I was always a poor loser."*



Ashley Pardew



Candice Craven

*"This year was fun but interesting. It was also frustrating getting on base and not scoring. We worked hard and had fun though."*

**S**tepping up at the beginning of the season, the girls softball team started off with a win against Sumner. The Bravettes did have to adjust with many younger players moving up to the varsity level.

"The younger players really stepped up this year to fill the positions on the field," senior Kristy Holt said.

Many new positions had to be filled, and many people had to adjust.

"At first it was hard to adjust but the I got used to it. I've always had to play up and this was one of those times," freshmen shortstop Tiffany Starks said. "All the girls made me fill right at home."

Also coming in new was previous junior varsity coach, Mrs. Crissy Johns. Johns helped out for the first time as assistant coach for the

varsity team.

"There was more pressure coaching at a higher level and meeting expectations from Coach Yank," Coach Johns said. "Also, your record shows more."

The highlight of the season was when the Bravettes met their team goal and placed third in the Turner Invitational.

"Even though we had a losing record, we still had fun. Better luck next year. Go underclassmen!" senior

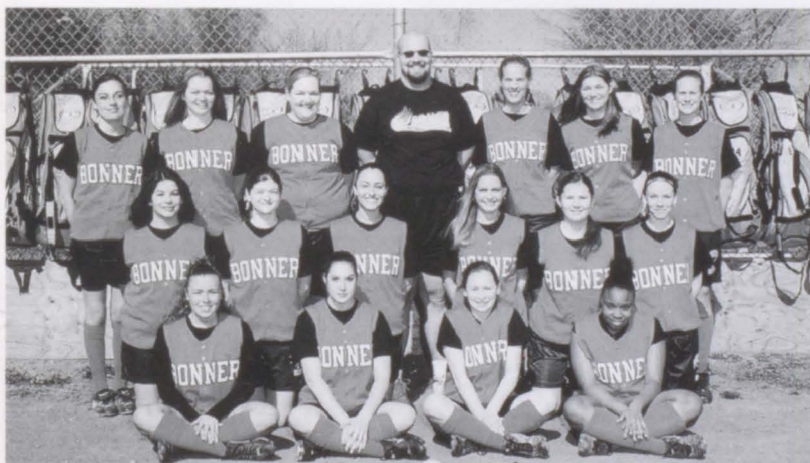
Corie Crouch said.

—Hilary Johnson



**R**eturning letterman, junior Chase Crouch snags the ball to force out the Mill Valley runner. This was Crouch's first season of playing first base, and she also helped out as catcher when her sister, Corie, needed a break.

# Adding Something New



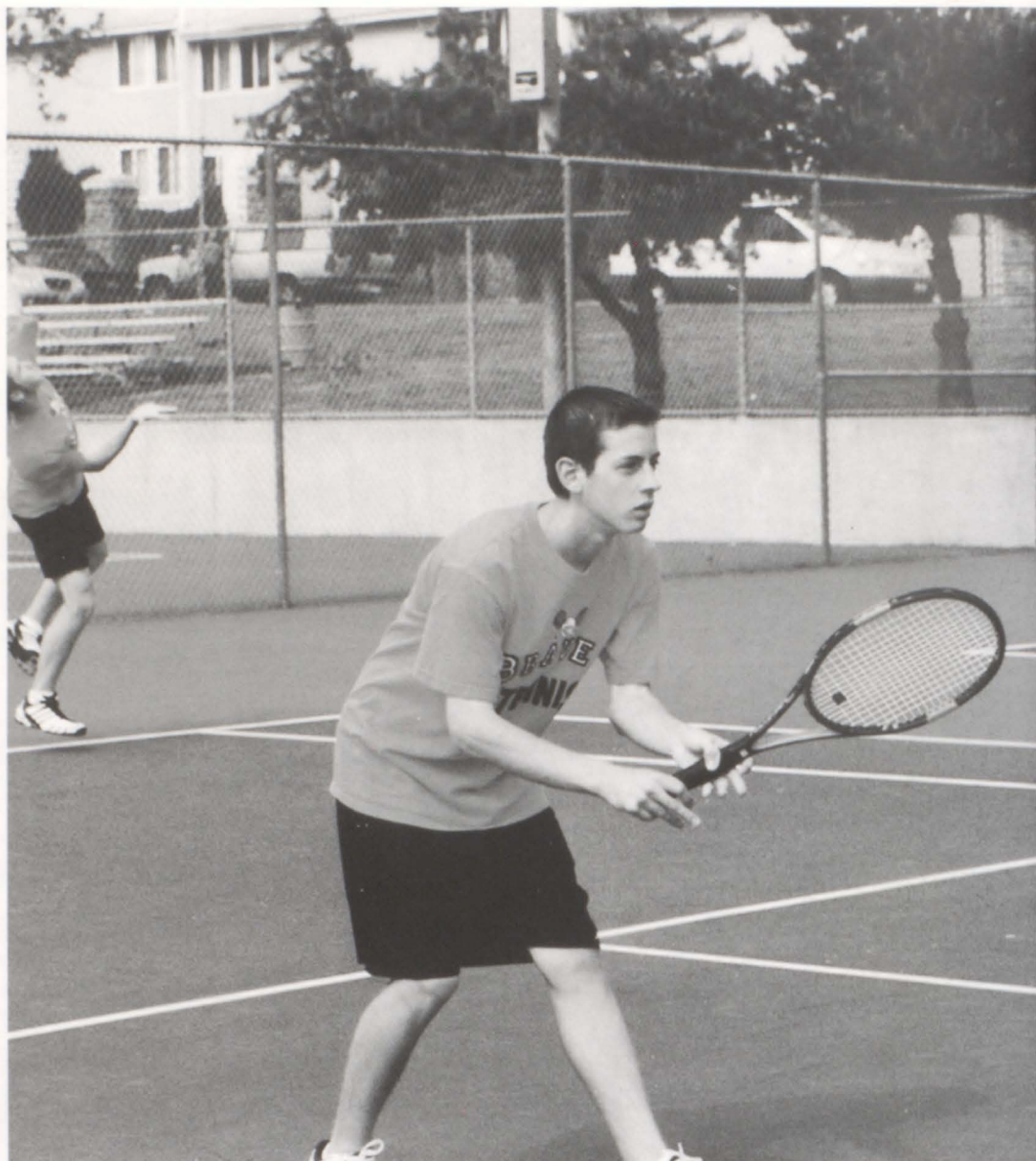
**J**unior Varsity Girls Softball—**Front Row:** Stephanie Elmer, Cole Kill, Sarah Reyes, Courtney D'Anieri. **Middle Row:** Judith Plumb, Katy Killingsworth, Lisa Zarate, Jessica Adkins, Monica Kennedy, Stephanie Conn. **Back Row:** Carmen Claiborn, DeDe Cline, Cari Frazey, Mike Jasiczek, Cori Wallace, Annette Cline, Hilary Johnson.



**C**rouching behind home plate, senior Corie Crouch catches a strike from the pitcher. Crouch was the starting catcher her junior and senior years.

**J**unior Matt Kerl serves, while junior Josh Mortens focuses on the return. "Matt Kerl has a chance to become the best tennis player we have ever had at Bonner," Coach Bill Scott said.

**F**reshman Jared Simmons concentrates on his serve toss. Simmons played on junior varsity. The junior varsity team was coached by Ms. Deb Loker.



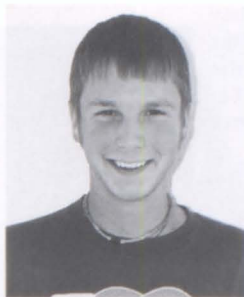
## SCOREBOARD

Opponent	Place
Mill Valley Invite	5th
Maranatha	6-3
Blue Valley	5-4
Bonner Invite	5th
St. Thomas Aquinas	cancelled
Lawrence	7-2
Bishop Miege	cancelled
SM West	1-8
Leavenworth Invite	4th
Lincoln Academy	14-1

**B**oys Tennis—  
**Front row:** Jared Simmons, John Jones, Josh Mortenson, Matt Kerl, Tyler Mills, Kris Russell, Matt Redlin.  
**Back Row:** Sarah Stephens, Deb Loker, Frank Vogan, Brett Johnson, Isaac Garlington, Andrew Holder, Robert Holter, Matt Haas, Danny Thompson, Kurt Russell, Bill Scott.



*"I like tennis a lot. The coaches are relaxed and easy going but still try to provide us with enough competition."*



Matt Kerl



Josh Mortensen

*"I need a little bit of a break. Regionals and State were pretty long days."*

The boy's tennis team was stronger than ever. With senior Tyler Mills, and returning state qualifiers Josh Mortensen and Matt Kerl, the team was solid and ready for an exciting year.

"It was a good season and a great group of guys," Head Coach Bill Scott said. "I liked their attitudes all year and they all worked hard at every practice."

In past years, there have always been at least a few seniors leaving, but fortunately there was only one senior leaving. Unfortunately, the team lost a friend and a varsity player, Tyler Mills.

Although they said good-bye to Mills, junior double partners Matt Kerl and Josh Mortensen gave the team plenty to cheer about. Not only did the duo place fourth in

Regionals and win three tournaments consecutively, but they also were the first tennis team members to bring home a medal from State competition. After losing their first round match, Kerl and battled through the loser's bracket and placed tenth.

"It's pretty shocking that we are the first to bring back a medal, considering all the years they've had tennis here," Josh Mortensen said.

—Judith Plumb

*(Quotes about State compiled by Matt Tait, The Chieftain.)*



Senior Tyler Mills and doubles partner, sophomore Issac Garlington await a serve from the opposing doubles team. Because Garlington threw his body onto the court the most times out of his team this season, he recieved the "Boris Becker" award.

# Statebound Tennis



Sophomore Robert Holter plays hard against Licoln Academy. Holter's hard work paid off when he defeated his junior varsity opponent.

Sophomore Cris Russell shows off his forehand to his opponent. Russell was known for being a character on the court.

**S**eniors Elizabeth Gronau and Kristy Holt get ready to perform for a home football game. "Thiller was my favorite dance to perform because the other girls made up the dance," freshman Lindsey Meier said.

**T**he dance team performed to "All I Want for Christmas," by Mariah Carey, at a home basketball game before the Christmas break.



**A**t the tailgate party for the Homecoming football game, senior Tara Eveland and sophomore Tiffany Moppin spray color a little girl's hair for Braves spirit.



## **O**range Dazzlers

**Front Row:** Megan McCully, Leslie Holtzen, Amy Parks, Samantha Cannon. **Second Row:** Lindsey Meier, Tara Eveland, Jennifer Fowler, Megan Smith, Katie Carlyle, Skylar Parr. **Back Row:** Kristy Holt, Elizabeth Gronau, Kristen Hardman, Juls Fowler, Megan Mackey, Tiffany Moppin, Michelle Knight.





*"I loved being captain! This was so special to me that I could help out in whatever way possible."*



Megan Smith



Amy Parks

*"It can be a little stressful at times, but I enjoy it very much. I like all the girls, they're talented dancers."*

When the rest of the school was at home, the dance team was at morning practice most Tuesday and Thursday mornings.

"We learned new dances and had a lot of fun at morning practices," sophomore Skylar Parr said.

The girls participated in one private dance camp, sponsored by the NDA (National Dance Alliance) camp. This camp allowed Coach Lisa Terrell to give her input. A few girls, such as, captain senior Megan Smith, and co-captain junior Amy Parks, also helped to add some original dances.

"A lot of the dances came from camp, and a few girls helped to choreograph," Terrell said.

To pay for the camp, the girls did fundraisers such as, selling food, putting on a clinic for the grade school girls, and face painting at the Homecoming tailgate party.

"I enjoyed doing face painting, and I enjoyed all the money we earned," junior Leslie Holtzen said.

Towards the end of the year, the seniors made a dance that was performed at senior night and the annual dance team dinner. At the dance team dinner, the seniors received gifts and gave advice to the newcomers.

"Don't lose your pom poms and show up for every practice, so that you don't fall behind," senior Julianne Fowler said.

—Judith Plumb



Seniors Megan Smith and Liz Gronau, along with sophomores Skylar Parr and Jenny Fowler stretch for the winter sports pep assembly. They performed to "Thriller" with a white glove on their right hand and glittery suspenders.

# Morning to Night



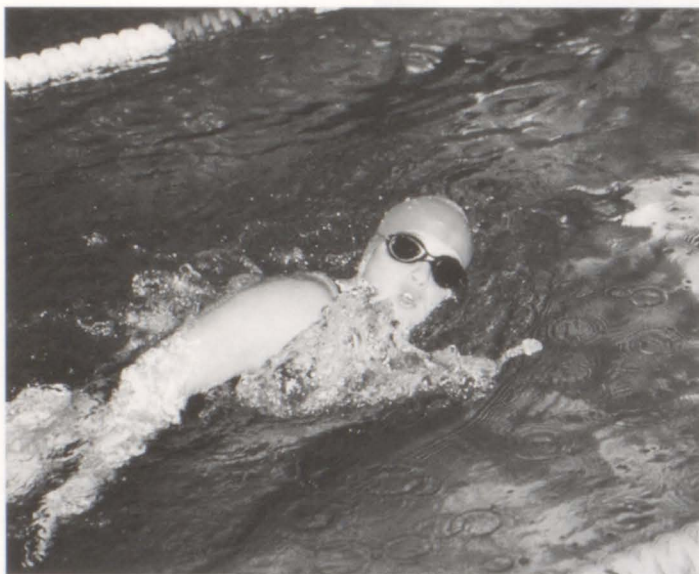
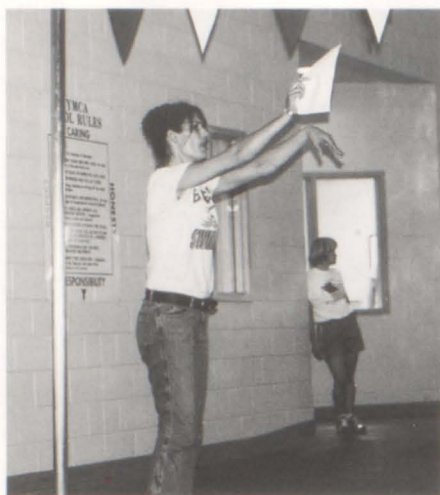
In the fall, the girls practice their dances on the football field with the band. They practiced every Tuesday and Thursday, either at 6 a.m. to 7 a.m. or from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Orange Dazzlers perform an eight count at a home football game. "My most memorable year was my senior year. I had more input in what dances we did," senior Kristy Holt said.

Stretching before they swim, junior Leslie Holtzen, freshman Cassity Mitchell, and junior Emily Dougherty prepare for the last meet of the season. The girls scored 166 points at that meet.

Coach Simchuk encourages a swimmer to keep kicking. "[Mrs. Wanda] Simchuk was very energetic and always pushed me to do better," freshman Janae Ingenthron said.

Swimming the 500-yard swim, sophomore Kristina Luke keeps pulling hard. "It wouldn't have been swim team without Kristina," Coach Simchuk said. "She just kept going and going!"



## SCOREBOARD

Meet	Place
SM East Relays	11th
Rayown	3rd
Washington	3rd
Olathe South Invite	—
SM West	4th
Bonner Springs	4th
Leavenworth	5th
Bonner Springs	3rd
Independent League Championships	11th
Bonner Springs	2nd

Girls Swimming—  
**F**irst Row: Jessi Langley, Janae Bailey, Cassity Mitchell, Kistina Luke. Middle Row: Katie Laurion, Holly Scherer, Stephanie Hern, Nikki McGee, Leslie Holtzen, Ashley Barber, Janae Ingenthron, Emily Dougherty, Josie Glenn. Back Row: Wanda Simchuk, Chelsea Shockey, Ally Venerable, Jacey Totta, Mindy Morasch, Rachel Tiner, Brandon Logan.



-Team Photo courtesy of Todd Simchuk



*"This was my first year swimming and I really enjoyed competing, learning, and getting help from the more experienced girls."*



Emily Dougherty



Kristina Luke

*"Even though our team wasn't the best, our times went up a lot, our team was awesome, and I had so much fun."*

**S**tarting March 1, Coach Wanda Simchuk had many girls come out for the swim team. Simchuk ended with 18 bodies after the number went up and down the first few weeks,

"I was thrilled with the number," Simchuk said. "I love that we are a young team—we'll be awesome in a few years!"

Another fact about the girls; they were young. Of the 16 girls, only 7 were returning from the previous year and only 3 lettermen returned.

"We are young, but that can only mean we're going to improve and get stronger," junior captain Leslie Holtzen said.

Even with the mix of many new freshmen, girls with no other swimming experience, and some girls who have been swimming for years, they were still able to mold into a team.

"By the first few meets you could see major improvements. We all worked so hard to get

better," freshman Cassity Mitchell said.

No seniors joined the team this season, so with no senior leadership, Simchuk had to rely on her next resource, the two team captains, Holtzen, and sophomore Jacey Totta.

"The girls all work well together and know they can go to our captains for or help or advice," Simchuk said.

Though the girls did not receive any first place finishes, all but one school record were beaten, and many goals were met.

"Everyone should have been very happy with themselves because everyone improved a lot!" sophomore Mindy Morasch said.

—Jacey Totta



**S**wimming breaststroke, sophomore Janae Bailey pulls through the water. Bailey was one of two swimmers who repeatedly swam this event.

## Youth Taking Over

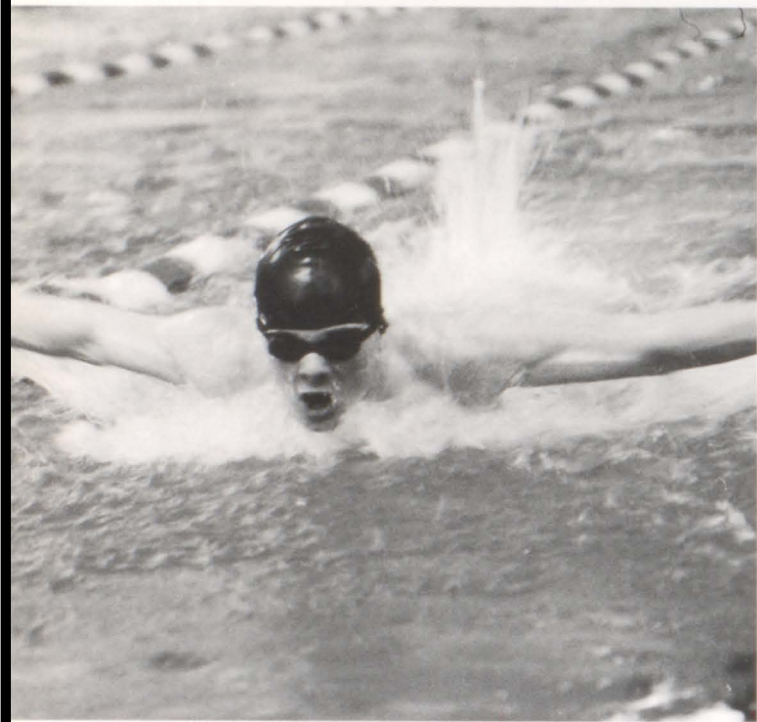


**T**he two team captains, junior Leslie Holtzen, and sophomore Jacey Totta, prepare for Holtzen to dive off the block during a relay.

**F**reshman Chelsea Shockey takes a breath during the 50-yard freestyle. "I felt like I did a good job for it being my first year swimming," Shockey said.

**J**unior Matt Kerl gets ready to loft the ball over the net, while junior Josh Mortensen watches. "I was really glad to win a medal this year, I look forward to tennis season," Kerl said.

**S**enior Jon McIntyre swims the 100 butterfly. This was McIntyre's first year, which at state he swam the 50 freestyle and placed thirteenth.



**S**ophomore Andrew Holder, seniors Jon McIntyre, Tyler Mills, and Jon Woodall relax on the sidelines at State. The group qualified for State in the medley and the 200 freestyle relays. Sophomore Jeff Hern was also in a relay, but not pictured.



*"It was really awesome to go to state this year, the season ended good and our team this year was great."*



Jon McIntyre



Kim Stephens

*"I had already been to state last year, so I knew what to expect, but even with that, state is always a challenge."*

Over the past year Bonner worked hard at achieving the best for their teams. Long hours, good coaches and an overall team ingenuity helped the Bonner teams and players reach their goals. Some got the chance at State and some just achieved a goal of finishing the season.

"This year was a blast to work with the boys team," Coach Wanda Simchuck said. "With only their second year of being a team they had proven themselves. With their hard work, some went to State."

It shouldn't be such a surprise that we did such a good job this year. The players, individually, worked and some succeeded to their goals.

"Our wrestling team was a success this year. When Matt Middleton won State champ for his 135 lbs. weight class it inspired me to work harder," freshmen Ian Seaton said. "He

is a role model for me when I am wrestling. I think that as a freshmen that it is good inspiration to work harder."

Other than wrestling, both tennis teams went to State. At State Matt Kerl and Josh Mortensen became the first Braves tennis players to place at State, bringing home a tenth place medal.

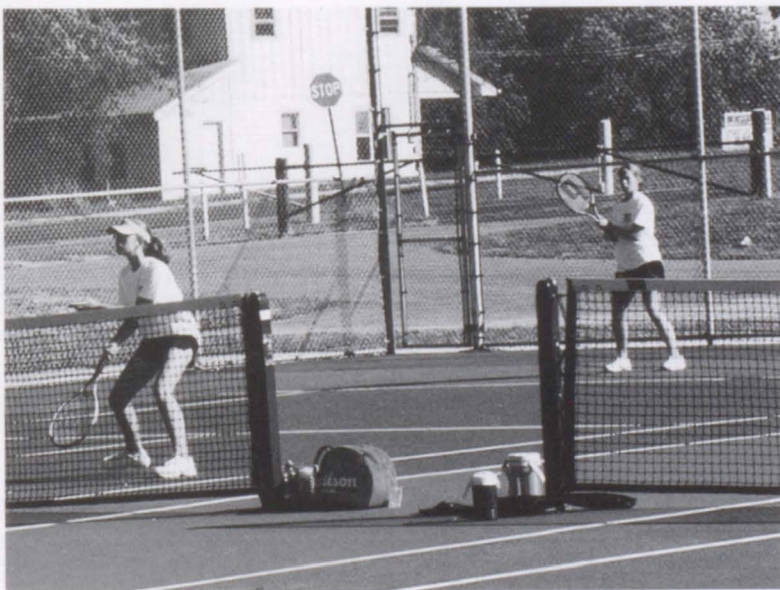
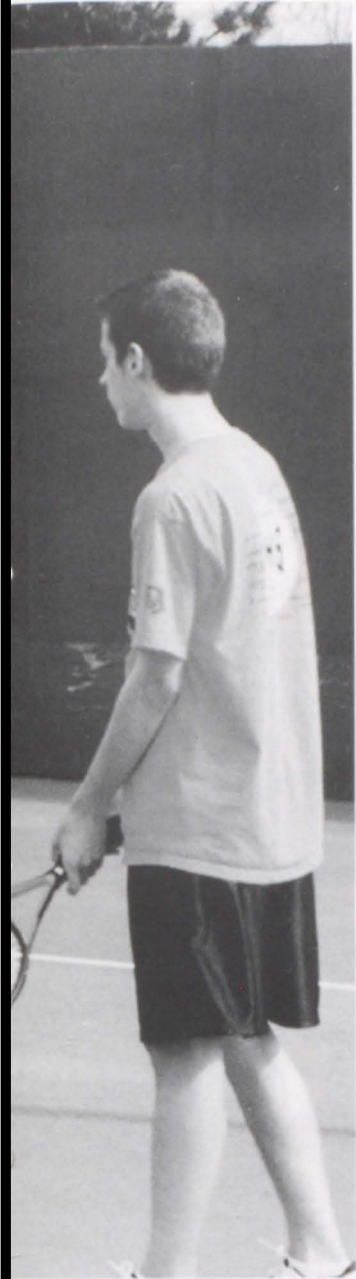
In the track season, twelve track members also qualified for the 5A State track meet in Wichita.

"I thought that all the teams did a really good job and it gives us something to be proud of," junior Ashley A. Williams said.

*—Jessi Langley/ Anecia Reed*

Senior Matt Middleton wins another match at a Bonner Invitational. Middleton was the twelfth Brave to bring home a State wrestling championship title.

## Setting High Standards



Juniors Tara Smith and Kim Stephens prepare for a serve at a home meet. This was the second year that the girls went to State.

Junior Brad Rittinghouse begins the match in starting position. Rittinghouse placed sixth at State.

**O**rganizations: A group of persons organized for a particular purpose.

Groups like Peer, FCCLA, Youthfriends and Kayettes made the year memorable with the food drives and fundraisers they did.

NHS saved lives with the involvement in donating blood. Youthfriends took the time to help out future Braves and made friends in unexpected places. We all remember the dispute over who actually won the Kayette Powder Puff game because the seniors slipped in a "boy" who scored the final touchdown. We didn't know we had a great chess team until they did great competing at state. FCCLA helped to feed and clothe many needy families in our community through the Vaughn-Trent programs. SADD made us realize the danger and reality of drinking and driving. Tee Pee Talk, the Pow Wow, choir, band and Club 121 gave us the memories of a lifetime.

Joining clubs and participating in activities allowed students the opportunities to be involved with different activities and make new friends.

—Ashley A. Williams

*Remembering our*

## ACTIVITIES

### ORGANIZATIONS

**F**reshman Kyle Parker and senior Michael Maxwell give each other a high five after answering a question right for the Oral Super Quiz at an Academic Decathlon meet. "The state competition was the best part of the year," junior Christy Mellott said.



**S**enior Katy Kirk raises her right hand swearing to tell the truth the whole truth and nothing but the truth at a Mock Trial meet. "I don't know about everyone else, but I like to get up in front of people and argue that I'm right and your not. It's a lot of fun," senior Gwen Peters said.



**J**unior Ed Samek, first chair trumpet plays during the Homecoming crowning ceremony. "I plan on playing in the band at K-State and majoring in music education or something else along those lines, because I love music more than anything," Samek said.



**S**eniors Alex Alexander and Kim Miser attend a Club 121 meeting. Miser was the student sponsor and Mr. Brian White, the new choir teacher, was the teacher sponsor replacing Mr. Steve Strom. *(Photo courtesy of the Pow Wow)*

**J**uniors Josh Mortensen and Kyle Kobe help to fold plastic silverware into napkins at the Willa Gill Food Kitchen in Kansas City. In NHS, students signed up to volunteer for the Food Kitchen and then went every second Tuesday of each month.

*"I like having a voice on what goes on at school. The club doesn't take up a lot of time, and I still get to make a difference."*

*-Junior Representative, Shantenie Tyner*

## STUCO

*"STUCO is great, and I am glad to be someone who gets to help decide what we do in school."*

*-Sophomore Vice President, Andrew Holder*

**S**tudent Council was a little different for all members this year. Miss Adrienne Law and Ms. Jacquelyn de la Pena were both first year sponsors, but they were still ready for the new year.

"I was excited about working with the members of Student Council! I was ready to continue the traditions our school has set, along with creating memories," Law said.

Like the previous years, the club contained eleven seniors, six juniors, six sophomores, and five freshmen. They were made up of presidents, vice presidents, treasurers, secretaries, and representatives.

On Sept. 23, 2003, 15 of the 28 members went to a conference at Shawnee Mission South High School. Along with

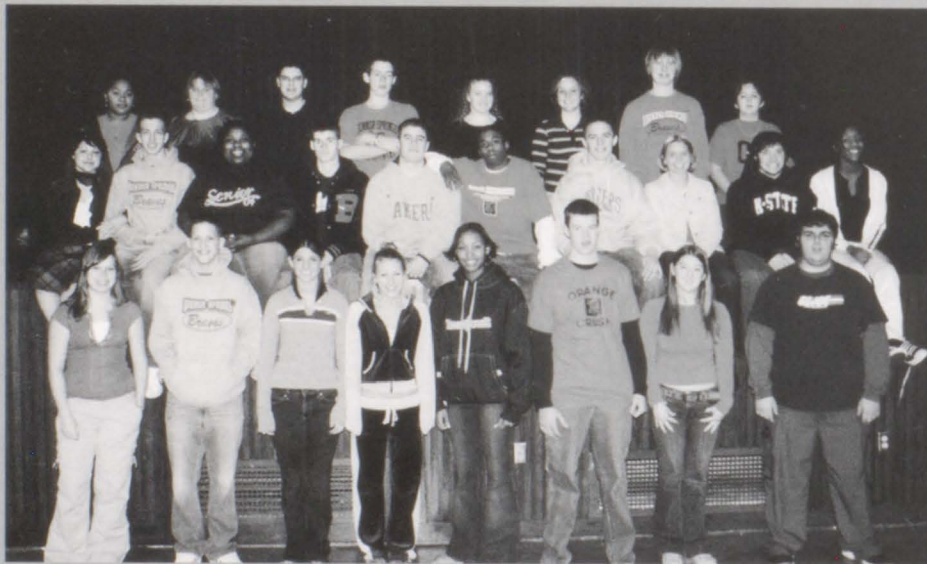
Bonner, 14 other schools went. While there, everyone interacted with groups of students from other schools to get ideas on raising money, community projects, and assemblies.

"With all the ideas we gathered from our trip, the years to come should be awesome," freshman Cassity Mitchell said.

Student Council was in charge of Homecoming, WPA, Courtwarming, and all pep assemblies.

"Overall, school spirit remained positive. The Orange Crush, student enthusiasm and variety, definitely helped support the teams," senior Stuco President Whitney Peterson said.

*-Jacey Totta*



**S**tudent Council—  
**Front Row:** Jessi Langley, Steven Beck, Jacey Totta, Kellie Gardner, Shantenie Tyner, Andrew Holder, Kristina Luke, Jon Jones. **Middle Row:** Danielle Perica, Michael Maxwell, Anecia Reed, Everett Shepherd, Brett Shelton, Matthew Middleton, Danny Gardner, Whitney Peterson, Tyler Mills, Alexis Kimbrough. **Back Row:** Mercy Lukas, Ashley King, Cameron Buck, Josh Mortensen, Amy Parks, Cassity Mitchell, Brandon Hoch, Jared Simmons.



**S**ponsors, Ms. Jacquelyn de la Pena and Miss. Adrienne Law discuss Courtwarming projects with Stuco President Whitney Peterson. "Whitney had really sharpened her leadership abilities this year and came a long way," de la Pena said.





**W**hile at a Stuco conference in Shawnee, Kellie Gardner, Amy Parks, Kirstina Luke, Tyler Mills, Ashley King, Cassity Mitchell, and Shantenie Tyner all gathered around in the cafeteria before the meetings began. One idea the Council came up with at the conference was to have a "Student Leadership Week" April 19-23. Teachers nominated different students that demonstrated leadership in the school.

**F**reshman Alex Silvers wears a Russian hat for Homecoming spirit week while in his 2-D concepts art class. "I liked being able to have fun and wear cool hats at school," Silvers said.



**T**hree freshmen, Amanda Logan, Cameron Buck, and Josh King work on their float during float construction for Homecoming. "Float construction was exciting. I liked finding out ways to be creative and working things out. It takes a lot of teamwork to build a float," King said.

**S**enior Dee "Michael Jackson" Adger moon walks across the gym floor during the winter pep assembly. "The assembly went really well. The people coming out before the basketball players was really unexpected. The assembly was great!" junior cheerleader Aminda Bohnert said.

*"Just because we call the other people 'normies' doesn't mean we think we're superior at all. We're just a strange offshoot of society that wasn't meant to be."  
-Nathan Smith*

There are many reasons to join Quiz Bowl: the fun, the NHS points, the useless knowledge, or Mrs. Chris Wood. Any way one looks at it, "Quiz Bowl is the quintessence of life," junior Nathan Smith said.

Quiz Bowl's approximated 35 members met every activity period, no matter what.

Along with learning new facts and figures, students also enjoyed being a part of Quiz Bowl because of their friends.

"I got involved with Quiz Bowl because so many of my friends do it, and I thought to myself, 'Heck, if my friends like it, then it must be cool.' So I checked it out, and I really enjoyed it," junior Alyssa Alexander said.

Besides meeting each activity period the team also participated in several tournaments and hosted a varsity and junior varsity meet.

"My favorite part of Quiz Bowl is the tournaments, not because we win, but because of all the fun we get to have with people who share our love of useless knowledge," senior Meghan Tinsley said.

—Helen Sangster

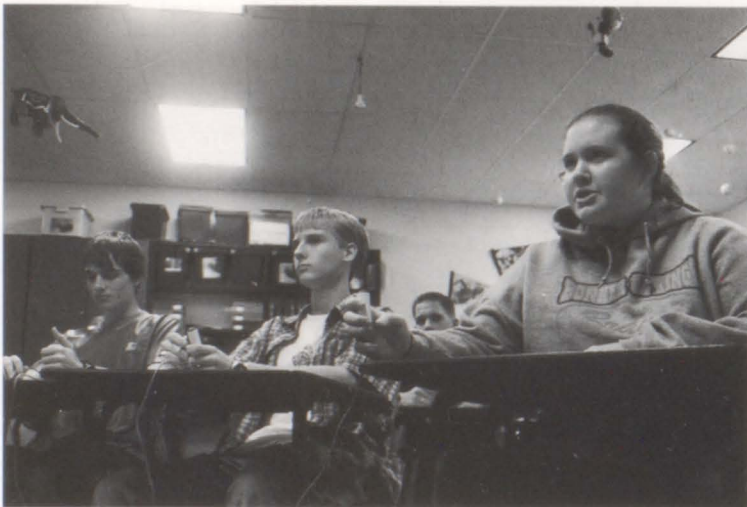
## Quiz Bowl

*"Mrs. Wood makes Quiz Bowl fun. Without her the overall turnout to the practices and meets would indeed be minor."*

—Alyssa Alexander



Junior Erin Jacobs helps set up the rooms at one of the home meets. "I really enjoyed being on Quiz Bowl. I got to meet a lot of really cool people," Jacobs said.



Seniors Chris Pike, Drew McCullough and Meghan Tinsley race against the clock as they quickly answer the question at a tournament. The Quiz Bowl team went to numerous meets throughout the first semester.



**Quiz Bowl—**  
**Front Row:** Meghan Tinsley, Becky Miller, Erin Jacobs, Eric Nielsen, Nathan Smith, Chris Pike, Jordan Mackey, Cara Harding, Danielle Perica. **Back Row:** Jordan Chronister, Jared Simmons, Amber McAvoy, Matt Kerl, Drew McCullough, Jon Jones, Chris Mattox, Josh Woods, Parker Bolejack. **Not Pictured:** Michael Maxwell, Scott Link, Peter Cockrell, Wesley Shields, Alyssa Alexander, Kris Russell, Katy Kirk, Jon McIntyre, Steven Beck, Kyle Kobe, Josh Mortensen, John Pino, Michaela Kroh, Ed Samek.



**A**cademic Decathlon—  
**F**ront Row: Christy Melott, Kyle Parker, Mattie Pino. **S**econd  
 Row: Helen Sangster, Alanna Smith, Donovan Gradey, Michael  
 Maxwell, Steven Beck, Erin Jacobs, Kim Miser.

**S**enior Kim Miser and junior Christy Mellott contemplate the next answer in Oral Super Quiz at Academic Decathlon State in Manhattan, Kansas. The team scored a twelve on the Quiz over Louis and Clark and their expedition.



**A** decathlon of the mind, Academic Decathlon was challenging in the areas of art, literature, mathematics, music, science, speech making, and tactics for a proper interview, plus the annual Super Quiz.

The 2003-2004 Academic Decathlon year was themed "America: the Growth of a Nation".

The Super Quiz was over the Louis and Clark Expedition, the language and literature book was *Death Comes To The Archbishop* by Willa Cather, along with many poems by other American writers. The arts section was over early American artists, architecture, Native American artwork and weaving, and photography.

"Academic Decathlon exposes students to curriculum the youth would not otherwise encounter in high school," said Coach Leslie Blythe.

—Helen Sangster

**S**ophomore Helen Sangster celebrates while junior Mattie Pino and senior Alanna Smith look at the next question in State Super Quiz competition. "My friends got me into AcDc, I didn't really like it at first, but it kind of grows on you!" Junior Mattie Pino said.

*"AcDc was fantastic, even though it was long, tiring and a little stressful, the fun with my friends and the new freinds I made, made it even more enjoyable."*

—Alanna Smith

## Academic Decathlon

*"AcDc started out bad, then it got better, after I figured out how things worked."*

—Christy Mellott

*“Tee Pee Talk was fun this year, Mr. O’Neil was a good addition.”*

— senior Jess Buck

**C**an you hear me now? Sound issues were a major concern for this year’s Tee Pee Talk staff and newcomer teacher Mr. Brian O’Neill.

“The cameras were all messed up and everyone kept forgetting the microphone but it got better,” Mr. O’Neill said.

With the volume level on the TV as high as it would go, students and teachers were often asking themselves why even bother watching if you can’t hear what they were saying.

“The sound was horrible or not even there at the beginning of the year, but after several episodes I started to notice a change,” senior Leeanna Johnson said. “It became much more enjoyable to

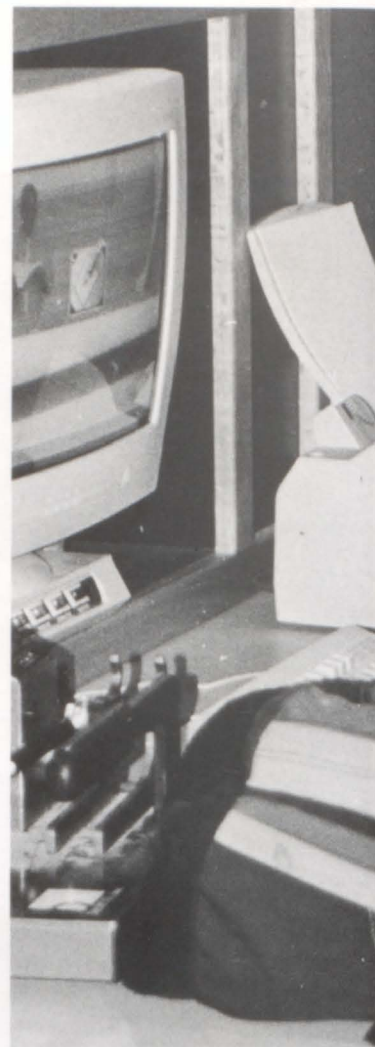
watch as the year progressed.”

With the staff adjusting to change, they realized they would need teamwork to make it happen.

“We all were kind of stressed at the beginning of the year because nothing ever worked,” senior Phillip Bailey said. “Mr. O’Neill made us realize that if wanted anything to come of this year’s show, we would have to do things as a team.”

By the end of the year, production was back to normal and the sound was returned.

— Erick Ratliff



## Tee Pee Talk

*“We had a very stressful year, but we have good students and faculty. It’s great to have students help out.”*

— Mr. Brian O’Neill



### Tee Pee Talk Squared—

**Front Row:** Tyler Mills, John Woodall, Josh Mortensen, Scott Link.  
**Back Row:** Savannah Clouse, Jon McIntyre, Mr. Brian O’Neill, Amanda Boddy, Krisse Lee, Julie Jackson.

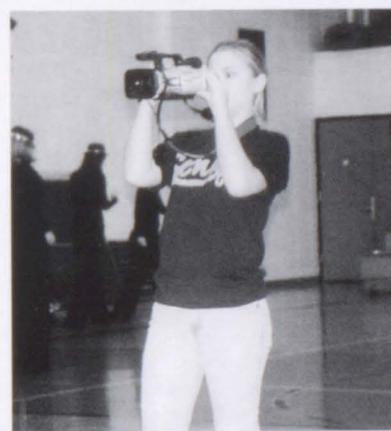
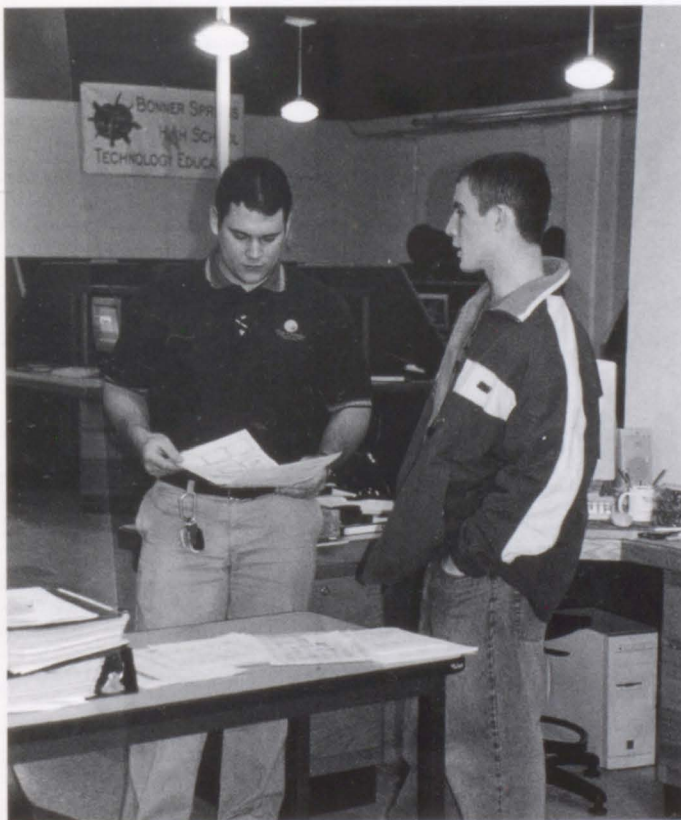
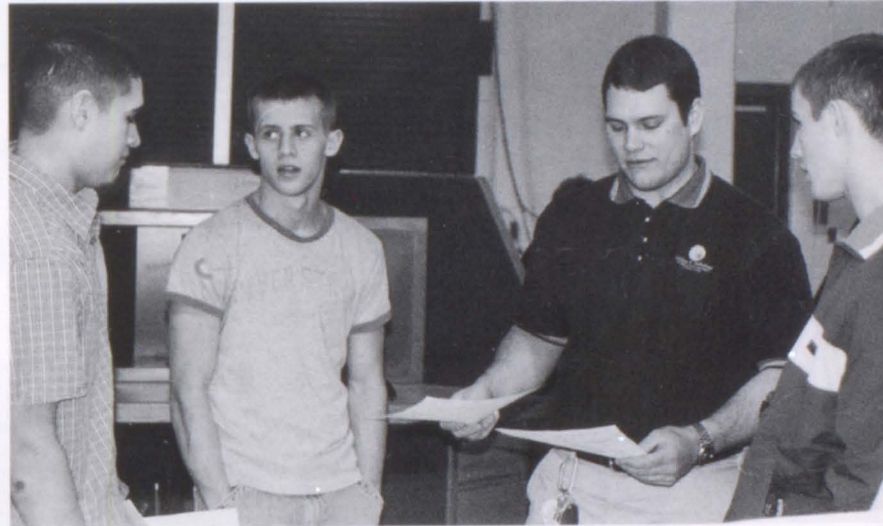
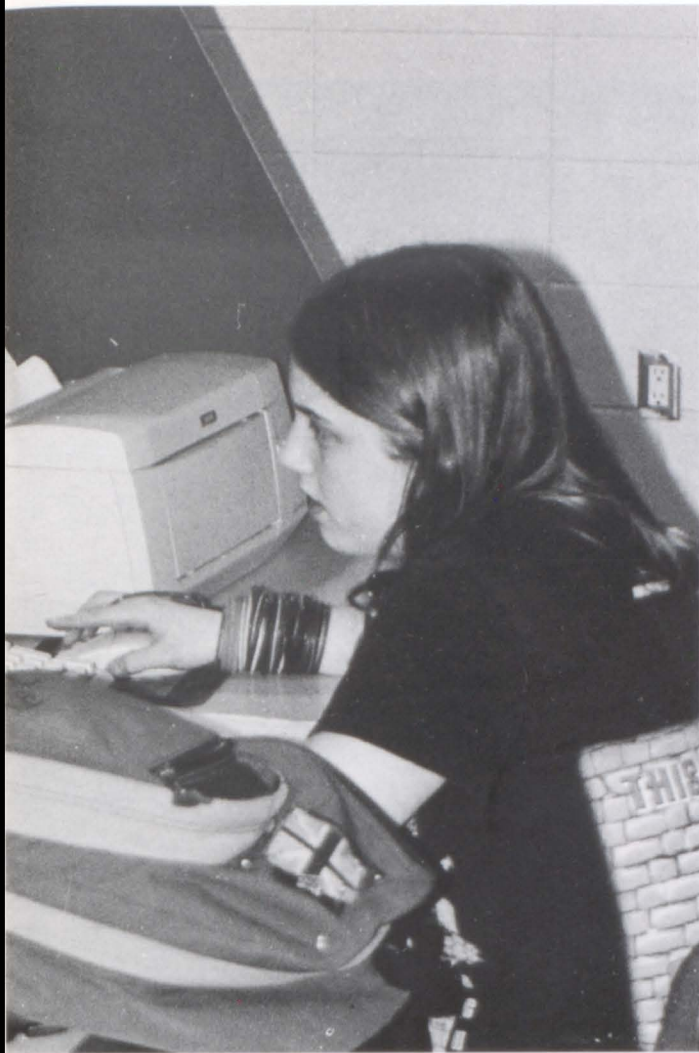


### Tee Pee Talk—

**Front Row:** Ryan Silvers, Danny Gardner, Jess Buck, Emily Dougherty.  
**Back Row:** Kevin Dame, Mr. Brian O’Neill, Lorenzo Romo, Dee Adger, Mandie Lewis, Jordan Lamb, Christy Mellott, Heather Shondel.

**J**unior Christy Mellott prepares to edit a clip before final production. "Tee Pee Talk was challenging this year with a mostly new staff and a new teacher," Mellott said.

**S**enior Jess Buck searches <Yahoo.com> for story ideas. "The story ideas this year were creative," sophomore Jessi Langley said. "They were different from years before."



**M**r. Brian O'Neill talks to his students about the upcoming deadline. "This year started off pretty well but it ended kind of bad," Mr. O'Neill said. "We were just not working at the end of the year."

**S**enior Ashley Pardew videotapes the winter sports pep assembly for Tee Pee Talk. "Tee Pee Talk was a lot of fun this year. We had a lot of freedom," Pardew said.

**M**r. Brian O'Neill talks to senior Danny Gardner about his plans for the show. "I think that the year was kind of rocky because we had a pretty new staff and a new teacher," Gardner said.

*“Our peer helper group is the pulse of our school. These students are elected by their peers to be someone to listen to teen problems.”*

—Lisa Terrell

## Peer Helpers

*“Peer helpers have a great impact on student success. They are the eyes and ears of the student body. When problems arise, peer helpers are well equipped and willing to settle issues.”*

—Rick Moulin

A smile, a wave, a freindly gesture. A Peer Helper will do anything they can to brighten your day. Every fall the Peer Helper group goes to a retreat at Tall Oaks to learn skills to help their peers, and this year was no different, except they didn't stay over night.

Where help was needed, a peer was there. When stress was building, a peer was relieving. Need to talk, or a friendly face? Turn to your peers.

The peer sponsors

were Mr. Rick Moulin and Mrs. Lisa Terrell. Peers sponsor “AIDS Day” in March and a food drive for the less fortunate in the fall.

In order to become a Peer Helper, classmates vote their freshmen year for the people they would most trust to talk to in a time of need. Once a Peer, always a Peer.

Year after year, these kids gladly offer their help and assistance to peers in need.

—Michael Maxwell



Senior Katy Kirk awaits the bell to announce that lunch is served at the peer retreat, while Peer Coordinator Steve Walker announces the menu. Normally the lunch is served the next day, but because of circumstances the peers only got to spend one day at Tall Oaks.



### Underclassmen Peer Helpers—

**Front Row:** Lisa Terrell, Billy Ballard, Mandie Lewis, Michelle Knight, Cassity Mitchell, Derrick Babcock. **Back Row:** Jon Jones, Keven Courtney, Janae Bailey, Nick Robertson, Brad Rittinghouse, Merchy Lucas. **Not Pictured:** Steven Beck, Justin Moulin, Robert Smith.



### Senior Peer Helpers—

**Front Row:** Cara Harding, Katy Kirk. **Middle Row:** Michael Hernandez, Anecia Reed, Michael Maxwell, Kim Miser, Juls Fowler. **Back Row:** Danielle Perica, Kevin Dame, Alex Alexander, Corie Crouch.



**D**rumline—  
**Front Row:** Nyse Pinks, Christian McDonald, Emmanuel McComb  
**Middle Row:** Jessi Langley, Cassity Mitchell, Micah Gallagher, Janae Bailey, Josh McConico. **Back Row:** Matt Rivera, Blake Kasselman, Jacob Hachinski, Helen Sangster.

**S**enior Nyse Pinks, sophomores Helen Sangster, Jessi Langley, and Micah Gallagher, and juniors Josh Mortenson and Elliot Basler prepare for their halftime show on the field. The drumline jazzed the spectators with "Can't Turn You Loose/Soul Man" and "Soul Finger."



**J**unior Jacob Hachinski practices his bass drum after school. Although not a drummer he has played since his freshman year.

**S**cream, shout, give it up for the Bonner Springs Drumline! People went crazy every time the drumline would bust it out on the gym floor, the stage, or on the field. The drumline brought life to the marching band.

"Drummers, Ten-Hut!" junior Josh Mortensen, captain, would yell to commence the drumline exercise.

When band starts in fifth grade the instruments are chosen. The drummers have all been together since their fifth grade year, but drumline didn't start until seventh grade.

The Bonner Springs Drumline has a reputation to uphold. They were asked to play at pep assemblies, Bravo!, and even Bonner Springs Church of the Nazarene to show off their skills.

—Jessica Langley/ Michael Maxwell

*"Drumline is always a lot of fun. We work hard to sound good for the performances, as long as the crowd is happy we've done our job."*

—Josh Mortenson

## Drumline

*"I really liked playing the tenors because I felt important. When you are on the parade route and you look over and see the little kids smiling at you, that is the best feeling in the world."*

—Helen Sangster

*"Everyone works really hard, we did a good show together, like last year."*

*-Matt Kerl*

**W**hen school started, it rained for two weeks and the football field was muddy and soft. It was great for the farmers, but it created a huge mess on the football field. It had affected the band so much that they had a terrible time practicing for their first halftime show.

"Because of the weather, people would come in with muddy shoes in the band room. It was a real problem to deal with," freshmen Jared Kennedy said. "I was really worried about what we were going to do. We rehearsed afternoons and the performances were great."

## Band

One of their favorite performances was their themed show, recreating the "Blues Brothers", dressing up in their hats and sunglasses. The band played featured music of the movie.

"Band was such an exciting thing to do. It gets people pumped about all of the football and basketball games," sophomore Dan Sanford said.

*-Jessica Langley*

*"I think we are a good band, we have always pulled through with whatever we do and made it great. We are a great group of kids."*

*-Kristina Luke*



**J**unior Christian McDonald plays his tenors during drumline practice after school. "The band was good this year," senior Nyse Pinks said.



**A**t the start of the football game the band marches out from the school to the field. "I really love drumline. There is just something about playing, especially when we go out to perform at halftime during the basketball and football games. It gets me hyped up at the games," junior Christian McDonald said. "There is a lot of pride that goes into into playing, and a lot of time."



### Marching Band

**Front Row:** A. Kimbrough, T. Smith, J. Waldo, A. Reed, K. Twombly, J. Vogel, M. Blake, A. McConico. **Second Row:** D. Perica, L. Davis, J. Arnett, S. Padilla, C. Wallace, A. Barber, M. Morasch, J. Harrington, A. Haussler, S. Stephens, K. Luke, S. Hern, L. McConico, C. Delladio, J. Morasch, S. Putnam, A. Byrd. **Third Row:** F. Wachter, M. Hackney, J. Umbenhowe, A. Porter, B. Miller, E. Dewaard, K. Fehman, S. Jenkins, W. Shields, J. Chronister, J. Hern, J. Palcher, T. Hubble, J. Moulin, J. McConico, J. Kennedy, B. Johnson, J. Waters, K. Clements, B. Sorenson, S. Conn, M. Kerl, I. Garlington, T. Moppin, E. Stude. **Fourth Row:** E. Samek, S. Link, T. Mills, H. Johnson, J. Nelson, P. Redlin, J. Schmidt, E. McComb, R. Smith, J. Obrock, D. Sanford, C. Mitchell, D. Belknap, T. Isabell, B. Waters, Z. Heston, R. Holter, J. Henry, D. Thomson, M. Redlin, H. Rose, K. Courtney, M. Tinsley. **Fifth Row:** M. Watson, H. Sangster, M. Rivera, J. Bailey, J. Langley, N. Pinks, C. McDonald, B. Kasselman, M. Gallagher, E. Basler, J. Mortenson, C. Shockey, J. Hachinski, D. Grady, H. Rollins, C. Mattox.





**The 2003-2004 Flag Team**

**Front Row:** Anecia Reed, Danielle Putnam. **Seond Row:** Becky Miller, Katie Laurion, Brittney Crane, Rachel Robare.  
**Not Pictured:** Kasey VanGosen, Megan Blake.

Getting ready for a performance, the flag team marches their way to their starting positions on the field. "I really feel like flagteam did great this year. They really looked good as a group and did awesome," senior Amanda Boddy said.



Sophomore Katie Laurion and seniors Anecia Reed and Megan Blake, perform a halftime show. "Flag team was a great experience. It was a lot of fun to be part of," sophomore Katie Laurion said.

The flag team has always twirled their flags during Bonner's home football games. With their performances and features during halftime with the band, they got Bonner pumped at games.

Coach and choreographer Ms. Cindy Hayes worked with the team. The flag team waved the flags with the band to "I Can't Turn You Loose/Soul Man," "Respect," and the flag team's feature "Soul Finger."

For the first time, the team had two captains, seniors Anecia Reed and Danielle Putnam.

"Compared to last year, I thought the girls worked well together and their attendance was a lot better this year too. I was proud of them," Ms. Cindy Hayes said. "The two captians really helped the team. They really did a great job."

—Jessica Langley

*"I thought it was fun to learn new routines, but it was hard work to keep track of them."*

—Brittney Crane

## Flag Team

*"I think the flags did great. Everyone enjoyed the fun games and the performances."*

—Rachel Robare

**C**hess is something that takes time, endurance, and skill. Some may think that it is just something to do after school, but it's not.

"Playing chess isn't something that you just pick up and play over night. It is something that you have to know a lot about and take time out of

your day to play it and care for what you are playing," sophomore Esther Shook said.

## Chess Club

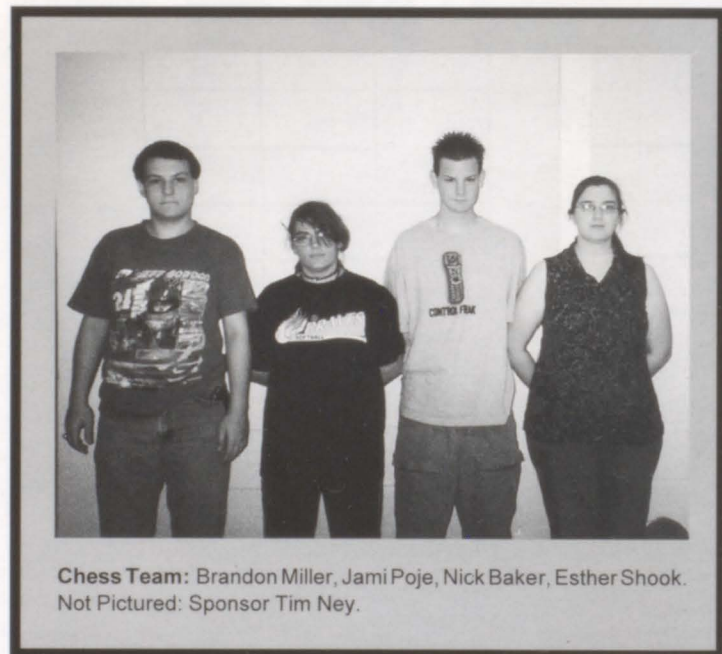
It's nearly impossible to say that chess is easy, because people that play may see things from a whole different point of view.

—Teann Eveland

**J**unior Nick Baker studies his opponents moves at the first chess meet. A game of chess is complied of a King and Queen that control the board and various other pieces that have restricted movement throughout the game.



**S**ophomore Esther Shook prepares to make her next move as her opponent, junior Jami Poje, watches and contemplates her counter move. The chess team practiced at least once a week after school.



**Chess Team:** Brandon Miller, Jami Poje, Nick Baker, Esther Shook.  
Not Pictured: Sponsor Tim Ney.



Senior Megan Phillips gets the kids sat down for story time at St. Vincent's. "The kids are awesome! It's so sad to know that they are there all of the time not having anyone to play with, that's why I enjoy going to St. Vincent's," senior Megan Phillips said.

Senior Jamie Waldo and junior Scott Link arrange a few games for the kids to play while they are at St. Vincent's.



Key Club was one of the many organizations in which the members were helping the community. Key stands for "Kiwansians Educating Youth."

Key Club members had the chance to help out in their community with assistance of the Kiwanis Club of Bonner Springs. They also had the opportunity to visit St. Vincent's Children's Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri and participated in many fundraisers.

Helping the community was something that some members loved.

## Key Club

"Going to St. Vincent's was a lot of fun," sophomore Steven Beck said. "I enjoyed playing with the little kids and making them feel like they have someone to play with, even when they really don't."

—Teann Eveland / Ashley A. Williams

Junior Jennifer Howard along with the rest of Key Club members read and play with the little kids at St. Vincent's. "When we went to St. Vincent's everything was just great, the kids are always smiling, which makes everyone else smile too." Howard said.

*“NHS is all about the experiences gained while earning the points- especially the experiences gained while helping others less fortunate.”*  
 — Mrs. Kerri Jennings

## NHS

*“People think that National Honor Society is all about the points, but we do way more than that. We make difference.”*  
 —Michael Maxwell

**D**uring class, a letter is passed out. Inside is an invitation to join National Honor Society. The criteria is having a 3.2 grade point average or higher, as well as being a well rounded student. Along with the criteria, points are needed to be earned to receive recognition from National Honor Society.

Many activities including helping at the Willia Gill Community Center Food Kitchen, buying food for the meal of the month, the blood drive were available for the students to get involved on to receive their required points. For the juniors, new at this matter, they had to earn ten points by the end of April. On the other hand, the seniors had to receive five points by the end of the first semester. This took time, energy, money, and dedication.

“The best experience that I have had was when I went to help in the soup kitchen, because it was fun helping out the people that worked there along with the homeless,” junior Seth Jenkins said.

On Wednesday April 7, 2004, 31 seniors were inducted into NHS, each received a pendant, a candle, and a membership card.

“What I really enjoyed was walking up to the stage, them calling my name and getting the official NHS pendant. It was an honor to get that pendant and it meant a lot to me,” senior Anecia Reed said.

—Kari Meints



**NHS Seniors—Front Row:** Victoria Reynolds, Parker Bolejack, Echo Prather, Liz Brown, Whitney Peterson, Ashley Pardew, Kevin Dame. **Middle Row:** Jamie Waldo, Drew McCullough, Amber McAvoy, Cara Harding, Erick Ratliff, Kim Miser, Megan Phillips, Danny Gardner, Autumn Hansen, Danielle Putnam, Gwen Peters. **Last Row:** Meghen Tinsley, Chris Pike, Jeneice Waters, Matt Middleton, Anecia Reed, Michael Maxwell, Andrea Zarate, Alexis Kimbrough, Juls Fowler, Brett Shelton, Kim Bourn, Megan Blake, Morgan Escott.

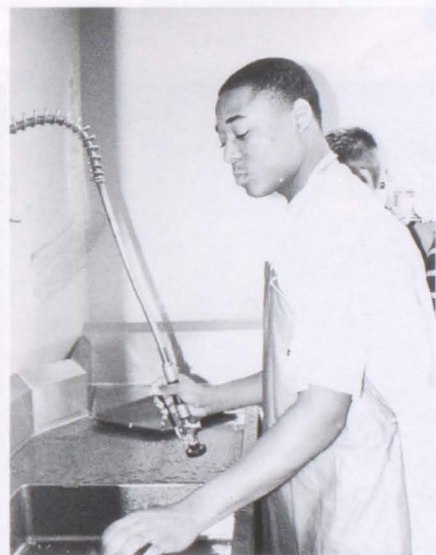


**NHS Juniors—First Row:** Kellie Lemon, Mandie Lewis, Christy Mellott, Madeline Pino, Nathan Smith, Malina Meyer, Ashley Williams. **Second Row:** DeDe Cline, Wesley Shields, Ashley Newsom, Aminda Bohnert, Leslie Holtzen, Amy Parks, Morgan Grabmiller. **Third Row:** Jordan Lamb, Miguel DeLeon, Allison Cushman, Amy Bergman, Kim Stephens, Jessica Adkins, Cambry Hergesheimer. **Fourth Row:** David Baxter, Elliot Basler, Chase Crouch, Shantenie Tyner, Dustin Harding, Seth Jenkins. **Fifth Row:** Ed Samek, Christian McDonald, Ashley Venerable, Jami Poje. **Sixth Row:** Kaitlyn Roudybush, Scott Link, Judith Plumb. **Not Pictured:** Kari Meints.



**A**t the blood drive, senior Cara Harding sits still as the nurse draws blood from her left arm. "When I was a Girl Scout we sponsored and helped with blood drives. I felt that it needed to be done," Harding said.

**S**tanding at the podium, Mrs. Kerri Jennings says a few words. Along side her are junior presidential elect Nathan Smith, seniors officers Amber McAvoy, Michael Maxwell, Matt Middleton and Cara Harding



**J**unior Christian McDonald washes the dishes at the food kitchen. Along with him there were at least three others who helped him.

**J**unior's Megan Mackey and Amy Parks help serve punch at senior induction. "It was a nice night for al the seniors who had achieved a high level of academic sucess," Parks said.

*"The leaders become our freshmen's big brother or sister, discussing traditions and assisting our ninth graders to get a good grade and to get more interactive."*

—Dr. Jerry Abbott

**W**hat is a Leader? "A leader is someone who has a vision. Meaning they know where they want to go and what they want to do, has best interest for others, and can communicate/model by example," Dr. Jerry Abbott said.

Dr. Abbott was talking about the student leaders or the Leadership Council. This was the first year for the Council. It consisted of 25 seniors, 12 juniors, and 8 sophomores.

This was a way for upperclassmen to help and guide the freshmen. It was also a way to give student leaders an opportunity to learn a new skill from other leaders.

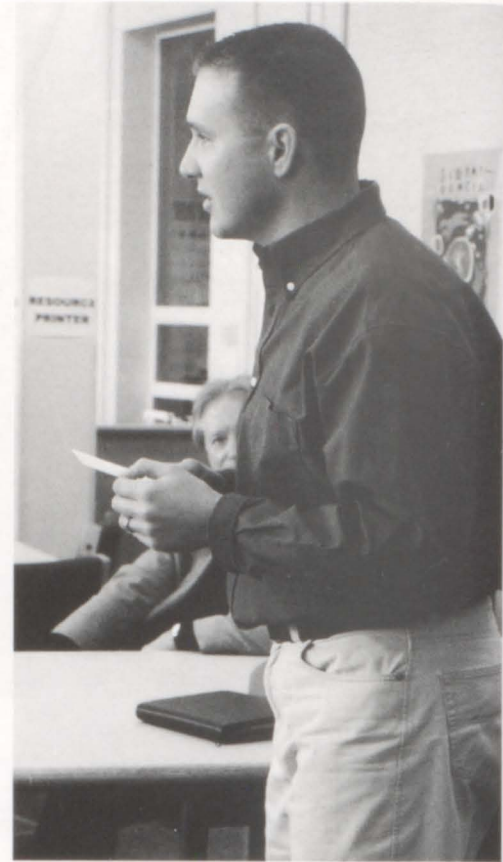
The Council members attended mandatory meetings where they listened to a variety of speakers about being a leader, so the students could pass the message along to underclassmen.

"I really liked hearing from different speakers on their message and how they became a leader in the community," sophomore Kristina Luke said.

Members of the Council would wear their Leadership Council shirts, which were black Polo's, at the meeting, which were held on Thursdays during Seminar.

"The Leadership Council was good because you got to meet some of the freshmen and helped them get settled in to high school lifestyle," senior Alex Alexander said.

—Anecia Reed



**T**ony Rider, owner of Mr. Goodcents, talks to the Leadership Council about the values of being successful in the Marine Corps. "I really enjoyed Tony Rider's speech. I felt that his speech was enthusiastic and I believe that he is a good speaker and leader," senior Maria Monroy said.

# Leadership Council

*"I think that it is good because we get to listen to the leaders in our community and hear about their lives and how they became a leader."*

—Tara Smith.



**S**eniors Michael Maxwell and Kenny Mack raise their hands, while the rest of the Leadership Council group looks on during Mr. Harvey Greer's presentation. "I have to say my favorite speaker would have to be Mr. Harvey Greer. I really liked his presentation. I felt that he had a lot of information and he was very encouraging," senior Kevin Dame said.



**L**eadership Council—  
**Front Row:** Alex Alexander, Katy Killingsworth, Echo Prather, Matt Middleton, Megan Smith, Megan Blake. **Second Row:** Jacey Totta, Liz Brown, Tara Smith, Amy Parks, Alanna Smith, Autumn Hansen. **Third Row:** Clemente Luna, Maria Monroy, Ashley Venerable, Alexis Kimbrough, Anecia Reed, Emmanuel McComb. **Fourth Row:** Kevin Dame, Lisa Zarate, Kim Stephens, Michael Maxwell, Janae Bailey, Steven Beck. **Back Row:** Danny Gardner, Whitney Peterson, Alisha Mathiesen, Chase Crouch, Josh Mortensen.



Senior Alex Alexander, sophomore Katy Killingsworth, junior Alyssa Alexander, freshman Phillip Shirley, and seniors Kim Miser and Curtis Fraundorfer were the "Crush Couch" winners at the first football game. They won a raffle and got to sit on the couch on the field, during the game.

Mrs. Crissy Johns and her son Hunter sell Orange Crush shirts at the Homecoming tailgate party. Freshmen Ali Venerable, Emily DeVore and a few spirited moms buy shirts.



Seniors Juls Fowler, Kristy Holt, along with their fellow Orange Crushers, cheer on the football team at an away game against Tonganoxie. "I love getting inside the opposing team's heads with our outrageous team spirit and getting all decked out in orange and black, looking like a fool and cheering at the games," Holt said.

For the second year in a row, the Orange Crush Club made an impact on school spirit. Leading the way was Mrs. Jennifer Schlicht and Mr. Steve Cook.

"The kids who participated faithfully, like Alexis Kimbrough, Kevin Dame, etc. made a difference," Schlicht said.

The group had about 215 students who joined the club throughout the year.

"I joined Orange Crush because I thought it was a good way to get involved and show some school spirit," senior Kim Miser said.

Along with joining, members received free admission to the home games, as long as they wore their Orange Crush shirt. On the back of the shirts was their graduation year.

"The shirts were cool. They were the best part," freshman Pamie Englehart said.

Every Friday the club wore their shirts to school. For some of the away football games, they even rode the "Crush Bus" together to the game.

The parents also decided they wanted to join in the fun at the games, so the club sold the Orange Crush shirts at the games for all the spirited parents. At a couple of the football games, a few of the Orange Crush members ran the Orange Crush flag up and down the bleachers to pump up the crowd.

"I think that it pumped up the crowd and got them more excited," junior Keith Frasier said.

— Judith Plumb

*"My favorite thing about Orange Crush was getting into all the games free."*

—Cari Frazey

## Orange Crush

*"Everyone gets so pumped up and involved at the football games. They are the best to watch with Orange Crush."*

—Katy Killingsworth

*"My first year as editor, was hectic and frustrating at deadline time, but I had a great staff. We had a lot of new people this year, but I think that it worked out great."*

— Ashely A. Williams

# Yearbook

*"Being the editor my senior year was a great experience. The staff made third hour very fun."*

— Tara Eveland

**D**on't forget deadline is next week." These are the words that some students heard every day, and those students were the yearbook staff.

The yearbook staff consisted of 18 members: 6 seniors, 6 juniors, and 6 sophomores. Throughout the year, the staff wrote many stories and took a lot of pictures of activities, clubs, and sports, in which students were involved.

"I enjoyed writing stories about clubs and other activities because you could learn about what happen by writing the stories even though I may have not been there," senior Sarah Goodin said.

Another yearbook tradition was the yearbook work nights, where once a month they would stay after school until 8:00pm and finish their pages for an upcoming

deadline. Every other month the seniors and the underclassmen would switch off for who was bringing the food.

"It's nice to share the load with the other members and everyone has a part," junior Kari Meints said.

Although there was a lot of work and time put into making the yearbook, the staff still had fun.

—Anecia Reed

**J**unior Judith Plumb watches senior Kimberly Bourn while she opens up her Christmas gift at the annual yearbook Christmas party. The party was held at Ms. Nancy Yankovich's house.



**S**ophomore Cortney Harding works hard on making sure she reaches her deadline on the senior ads. "Deadlines are really stressful! If you wait until the last minute to finish things, then you might not even get it done, which means work over the summer," sophomore Teann Eveland said.

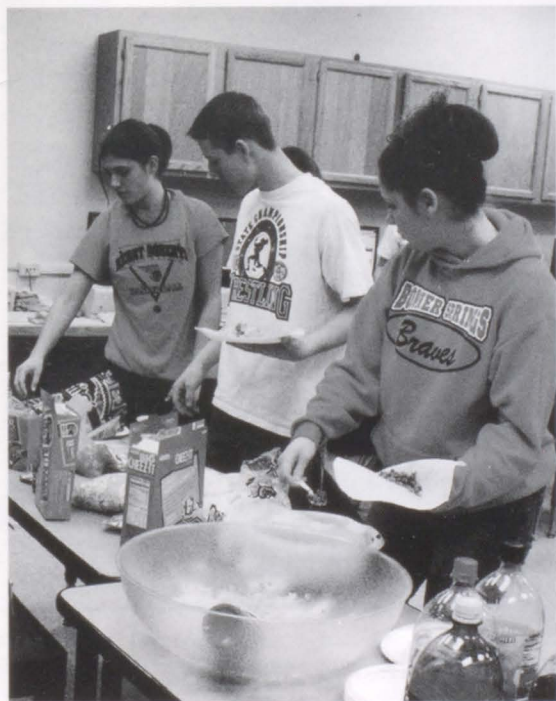


## **T**otem Pole Staff—

**Front Row:** Kellie Gardner, Cortney Harding. **Middle Row:** Erick Ratliff, Tara Eveland, Kimberly Bourn, Theresa Wild, Anecia Reed. **Back Row:** Sarah Goodin, Jessi Langley, Michael Maxwell, Hilary Johnson, Judith Plumb, Helen Sangster. **Not Pictured:** Jacey Totta, Teann Eveland, Kari Meints, Ashely A. Williams, Toni Montague.



During a yearbook work night, seniors Erick Ratiff and Michael Maxwell help juniors Kari Meints, and Theresa Wild on how you are not supposed to capitalize the words senior, junior, sophomore, and freshmen.



Editor Ashely A. Williams edits a staff member's page. "Ashely A. [Williams], Tara [Eveland], and Michael [Maxwell] were really helpful editors," sophomore Helen Sangster said, "Ashely helped me straighten out my computer and helped me figure out how to use the program (a talent that sadly, I do not possess), and Michael reread and reread my story. Without him, I don't think that I could have gotten quality work done. Tara was always very helpful, and always ready to help. She would help anyone, anywhere."

While digging into some of the food, junior Ashely A. Williams, senior Erick Ratliff, and sophomore Jacey Totta chatter on during one of the Yearbook staff work nights. "I enjoyed getting a long period of time working on my pages and making sure that I turned them in on time," Totta said.

*"FCCLA gives an opportunity for personal, family, and community relationship skills."*

*—Mrs. Martha Chandley*

## FCCLA

*"My favorite part about FCCLA was going to meetings, meeting new people, and learning new activities to make our club better."*

*—Roxanne Evans*

The Future Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) began the year with the inaugural meeting. At the first meeting the members met each other and discussed what they hoped to accomplish throughout the year.

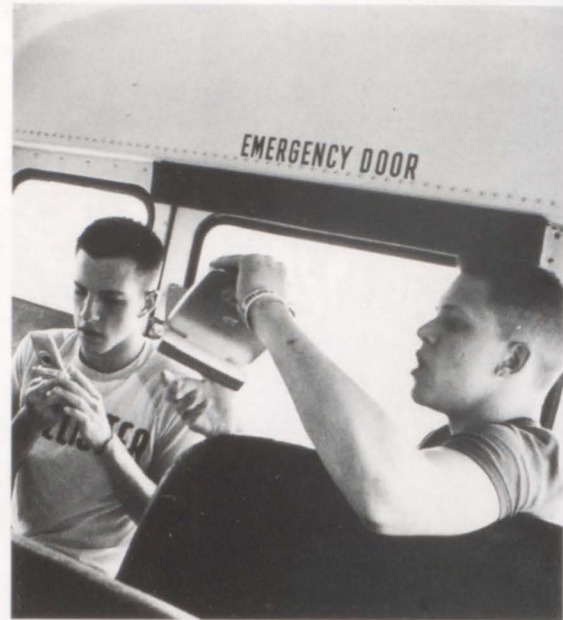
Once established, the members set out to achieve their goals. Throughout the year the members hoped to excel in the areas of community and career excellence.

One of the first activities the club did was the "ice breaker," where they went to Crown Center for a night of ice-skating. Other activities included "Bring a Book" where students donated books to younger children.

State was held in Wichita on April 5 and 6. Only three members attended state meeting and were representatives for BSHS's district, District E-East.

*—Michael Maxwell*

Senior Michael Maxwell, and his cousin, sophomore Steven Beck find ways to entertain themselves on the four hour bus ride to the FCCLA State Meeting in Wichita. There were only three members that went to the state meeting from BSHS; however, there were close to 1500 members from the state of Kansas.



Senior Michael Maxwell, junior Jessica Thomas, and sophomore Steven Beck stop for a lunch break at Taco Bell during the State meeting. State meeting is one of my favorite activities. I only joined because my sister told me to, and I ended up liking FCCLA, especially FLA and summer camp," Thomas said.



### FCCLA Members

**Front Row:** Jessica Thomas, Michael Maxwell, Ashley Newsom. **Back Row:** Martha Chandley, DeDe Cline, Roxanne Evans, Aminda Bohnert. **Not Pictured:** Steven Beck.

Seniors Alanna Smith, Alex Alexander, and Kim Miser participate in SYATP (See You At The Pole). The students joined in worship, prayed, and sang songs as Alexander played the guitar. This activity took place around the flag pole in front of BSHS. "The best part about SYATP is it's open to the whole community, so we can go outside of school to spread the word," Smith said.



Senior Michael Maxwell, and sophomore Steven Beck, along with worship leader Sarah Benton and senior Kim Miser gather around the podium to sing to the tune, "You Are My All In All," accompanied by Sarah's guitar. "It's awesome that I can still come back to my old school and worship. It's like I never left," Benton said.



Seniors Kenny Mack, Kim Miser, and Michael Maxwell, and sophomore Steven Beck listen to the word of the Bible. "We learned about Psalms, and how God comforts you when you feel down," Beck said.

Separation of church and state? Not any more. Club 121 went one-to-one with God. The religious students met every Tuesday morning.

Because of the separation of church and state, the school couldn't have religious meetings during school hours, so the members had to start out early.

Every Tuesday at 7:00 a.m. the members came together to worship, sing, praise, and lift up the name of the Lord.

"I love the fact that I can come in and praise God in the place that I spend the majority of my time," senior Kim Miser said. "I also love that I can do that with the people I am close with."

On certain occasions Club 121 was open to the community as well. In early October "See You At the Pole" was an opportunity for all of God's people to gather and worship.

Club 121 was a club that can be joined for free at any time during the year because anybody was always welcome.

—Michael Maxwell/  
Helen Sangster

*"I always dread waking up early in the morning, except when I'm coming to Club 121. I really like the atmosphere!"*

—Anecia Reed

## Club 121

*"Club 121 is an experience that I think every young person should have. Getting to know God is a positive experience for everybody."*

—Kenny Mack

*"I joined Kayettes when I was a freshman to meet some new people. I decided to stay in it because it is a good organization that helps people."*  
 —Mandie Lewis

# Kayettes

*"I am in Kayettes because last year as a freshman I did not know a lot of people. When I joined Kayettes, I met more people and made more friends, so this year I decided to be one of the leaders."*  
 —Mindy Morasch

**E**ver wonder what it might be like to go an entire day without food? What about not having a warm coat to wear in the cold winter months?

Well, members of Kayettes did. This year, like years in the past, they held a food drive to collect food for the local Marion Van Trent Foundation. They collected 1600 food items and \$400.

"We've had better years, but we are certainly appreciative of all the food and money collected," Mrs. Deena Burns, sponsor of Kayettes, said.

Another activity the Kayettes participated in was the Powder Puff game, where the girls dressed up and played football, and the senior boys acted as the cheerleaders.

The Kayettes have been in this school since around 1966, when the new high school opened, but then it was just the KAY Club for boys and girls. Kayettes was founded for only girls.

There were struggles through the year, but one thing the girls were taught was to "live, laugh, and lift," the Kayettes' motto.

"I get a lot of support from the students, especially the Kayettes. This motto would be a wonderful way for EVERYONE to look at each day," Mrs. Burns said.  
 —Cortney Harding



**K**ayettes—  
**First Row:** Jessi Langley, DeDe Cline, Mandie Lewis, Liz Brown. **Second Row:** Ashley Newsom, Jenni Ova, Aminda Bohnert, Ashley King. **Third Row:** Jami Poje, Molly Sims, Nicole Wright, Dori Dragush. **Fourth Row:** Cortney Harding, Judith Plumb, Theresa Wild, Megan Mackey. **Fifth Row:** Deena Burns, Megan Phillips, Michelle Knight, Teann Eveland.

**T**he Leaders—On their way to Kayettes camp, sophomore Shauna Putnam and Mindy Morasch, juniors Roxanne Evans and Mandie Lewis, and seniors Amanda Boddy and Megan Phillips smile for a picture. The Kayettes leaders attended camp in Holton and talked about how Kayettes improves the school.



**D**uring the Powder Puff game sophomore Hilary Johnson blocks freshman Maggie Hackney for ball carrier Kellie Lemon. "I got to score the two point conversion," sophomore Hilary Johnson said.

**S**ophomores Mindy Morasch and Shauna Putnam show freshmen Maggie Hackney and Tiffany Devosha how to create miniature ghost out of Kleenex and suckers. They handed out the ghosts to the teachers.



**S**howing their team spirit, the seniors and sophomores bond together before the Powder Puff game. Although their team lost 0 to 8, the team had a good time.

**A**manda Boddy, senior, and sophomore Lisa Zarate make snowmen to pass out to the elderly at Christmas time. This was one of the many service projects the Kayettes performed.



**A**t the Kayettes Secret Santa gift exchange, junior Jenni Ova receives a M & M mug. During the week the girls received one present for every day from their "Secert Santa."

*"SADD helps you realize how serious drinking and driving is and there are people out there who are fighting to help show students what could happen."*

*- Josh Padilla*

## SADD

*"SADD is such a great program and I'm really honored to be a part of something so positive."*

*-Kim Miser*

**W**hen students joined SADD they realized that they had two goals: to provide students with the best prevention and intervention tools possible, and to equip students to deal with issues of underage drinking, drunk driving, drug abuse and other destructive decisions.

Before the Homecoming game, some of the members of SADD asked Jenny Harris to come and talk to the students about making the right decisions. She told her story about losing her brother, Todd Harris, when he was in a drunk driving accident. In this assembly students witnessed a mock funeral that was similar to the one that Harris' brother had.

"I really enjoyed being a member of SADD. I felt that me helping out is making a difference somehow," sophomore Tracy Ewing said.

SADD members dedicated the rest of the year to advising students of the rights and wrongs of life and how to make the right decisions.

*—Sarah Goodin*



**S**enior Megan Phillips talks with one of many Kansas State Troopers. Selected members of SADD had the chance to visit the Kansas Speedway on Oct. 8, 2003. "I was asking him about a car accident that I was involved in, where the vehicle I was in was hit by a train. My mom was killed, but I survived and I was wondering what the odds were, like if there were any others like me," Phillips said.



**S**everal SADD members participate in the reenactment of the Todd Harris funeral during the assembly in which Jenny Harris, Todd's sister came and talked to the school about drinking and driving.



**SADD Members—**

**Front Row:** Cortney Harding, Emily Fagan. **Second Row:** Tim Ney, Miguel DeLeon, Jennifer Keeton, Heather Shondel, Alexis Foster, Josh Padilla. **Back Row:** Ashley Venerable, Michael Maxwell, Steven Beck, Erick Ratliff.



**YouthFriends—**

**Front Row:** Liz Brown, Ashley Pardew, Roxanne Evans, Megan Phillips, Jeneice Waters, Liz Gronau, Megan Smith, Ashley Barber.  
**Second Row:** Stacy Belknap, Leeana Johnson, Gwen Peters, Michael Maxwell, Echo Prather, Tara Smith, Amber McAvoy, Sean Schultz, Ashley King. **Last Row:** Josh Mortensen, Sarah Goodin, Seth Jenkins, Danielle Putnam, Jennifer Keeton, Drew McCullough, Ashley Lea, Meghan Tinsley.

Senior Ashley Pardew works with students at Clark Middle School. "I feel like YouthFriends has given me an opportunity to reach out and help the young children of my community," Pardew said.



Junior Jennifer Keeton participates in a blindfold activity during her visit to Rocksprings 4-H Center. Five selected members of Youth Friends attended the Leadership retreat on March 4 and 5. "It was a great learning experience; I met a lot of new and interesting people and learned about a bigger picture than what I already know," senior Jeneice Waters said.

YouthFriends was a program that helped out the youth in the Bonner Springs and Edwardsville areas. Students in YouthFriends went to Edwardsville Elementary, Bonner Springs Elementary or Clark Middle School to tutor the children.

"I went to Edwardsville Elementary, and the best part of being in YouthFriends is seeing the faces of the kids because they get so excited just to know that they have a friend who comes especially to visit them," senior Michael Maxwell said.

YouthFriends also helped the students with classroom work or homework from the night before.

YouthFriends members had the satisfaction of helping a child.

"I feel like I have made a difference in the children and that is the biggest reward that I could ever receive from YouthFriends," Senior Leeana Johnson said.

# YouthFriends

*"I feel that I am helping the students to be more confident late in life."*

*-Ashley King*

*"The greatest joy in a volunteers life is to help and to know that you have done something special for others. It is the joy of giving."*

*-Larry Berg*

*—Sarah Goodin*

*"I think that we have a good choir director and I am also excited that he's a fresh new teacher right out of college, with new ideas and plans for the future."*  
 — Alex Alexander

## Choral Music

*"Although one of our main goals is to provide a product that is satisfying to our ears, I feel that our rehearsals build work ethic and attention to detail."*  
 —Mr. Brian White

As students walked in to the choir room they saw a new face, Choir Director Mr. Brian White. Mr. White graduated from Kansas State University.

To start off the year, Mr. White set three goals: to maintain the level of achievement, to build the character of students, and to make a positive impact on the development of the students.

"I think choir is fun because it is a place where you can go and have fun and not have to worry about someone saying something about you," freshman Samantha Cannon said.

Everyday Mr. White dealt with 110 students, and sometimes it was stressful, but he didn't let that bother him.

"I expect my choirs to give me their best effort everyday just as I do for them. I

also like them to relate personal meaning to the songs being studied," Mr. White said.

To end the year off, the A Capella Choir had two competitions League and State Competition. At League the A Capella choir received a I rating and at State they received a II rating.

—Anecia Reed

Seniors Kristy Holt, Kim Miser, Parker Bolejack, juniors Kim Stephens, Lamonte Gilrath and sophomores Katy Killingsworth and Drew Jones sang loud and proud at the Christmas Concert.



### Freshmen Choir—

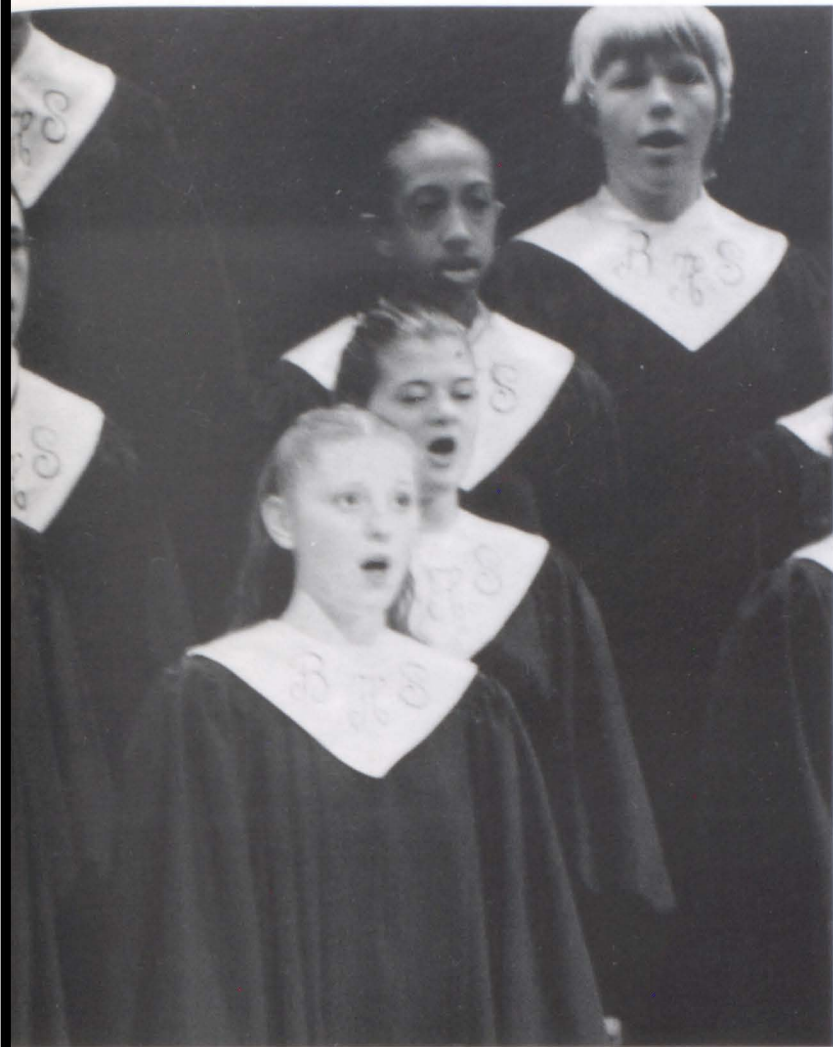
**First Row:** Denise Gibson, Stephanie Hern, Jamie Arnett, Cari Frazey, Dalton Walker, Philip Shirley, Samantha Cannon, Monica Kennedy, Brian White. **Second Row:** Stephanie Conn, Cole Kill, Deanna Hutchison, Jessie Huston, Jared Simmons, Cassity Mitchell, Leslie McCoinco, Sara Stephens. **Third Row:** Lacey Gumm, Danielle Tavis, Pamie Englehart, Becky Stude, Amber Rudolph, Courtney D'Anieri, Merlady Lukas, Carmen Claiborn, Jessica Sams. **Fourth Row:** Christina Dellachio, Rachel Tiner, Alexandra Venerable, Adriel Boyce, Emily DeVore, Mikhael Berry, Annette Cline, Brenda Roberts.



### A Cappella Choir—

**First Row:** Denise Gibson, Jessica Vogel, Jackie Russell, Ashley M. Williams, Alison Cushman, Ashley Boyce, Jessica Brake, Katy Killingsworth, Ashley A. Williams, Teann Eveland, Amber McAvoy, Roxanne Evans, Brian White. **Second Row:** Angel Catania, Michelle Knight, Jessica Huston, Jamie Waldo, Ashley Newson, Kim Miser, Kim Stephens, Meghan Hahn, Jenni Ova, Danielle Putnam, Anecia Reed, Meghen Tinsley. **Third Row:** Parker Bolejack, Kevin Dame, Danny Gardner, John Baxter, Lamonte Gilrath, Jeremy Davis, Tony Isabel. **Fourth Row:** Billy Ballard, Seth Jenkins, Kenny Mack, Drew McCullough, Josh Ova, Alex Alexander, Opie Knight, Drew Jones, Josh Graham.





Senior Anecia Reed whispers to senior Meghan Tinsley on what song is next while waiting for Mr. Brian White's cue to sing. The A Cappella choir sang at the annual Lake of the Forest Club House Dinner.



Senior Drew McCullough smiles while senior Autumn Hansen sings her half of the duet they sang to "Betelehemu," a traditional African anthem. "I really enjoyed being a part of the culture, and I felt very privilege and also got to sing with my friends," senior Autumn Hansen said.



**Womens Ensemble—**

**Front Row:** Denise Gibson, Malina Meyer, Amy Bergman, Mandie Lewis, Megan Bond, Aminda Bohnert, Autumn Rogoza, Brian White. **Middle Row:** Toni Montague, Kiesha Dodson, Jessica Brake, Amber Ballard, DeDe Cline, Ashley Barber. **Back Row:** Britney Abramovitz, Jessica Rogers, Jenni Ova, Allison Cushman, Katie Laurion, Holly Braswell.

*"I feel like Mock Trial went really well together. We were a little shaky at the first trial, but then we really pulled it together."*

—Amanda Boddy

## Mock Trial

*"I thought that this year was really great. I think that there are a lot of things that I learned that are going to help me later on in life. I enjoyed this experience."*

—Janee Ingenthron

**D**id you ever want to know what Mock Trial was about? It was a law competition, in which schools across Kansas competed.

The teams were given a case where they worked and studied, and afterward they competed and presented the case in front

of judges who compared the cases from the different schools and chose the case that was presented the best.

The sponsor was Mr. Mike Jasiczek.

Students worked before and after school to prepare for the event. They also worked during Seminar and Activity Periods in Jasiczek's room.

"I thought that the varsity team did really well this year. I was really impressed with the hard work. We were much more prepared than I expected, and it was genuinely a lot of fun," senior Katy Kirk said.

—Jessica Langley



**S**ophomore Stephanie LaBranch goes over her prepared notes before the Mock Trial Regionals. There were 20 members on the Mock Trial team.

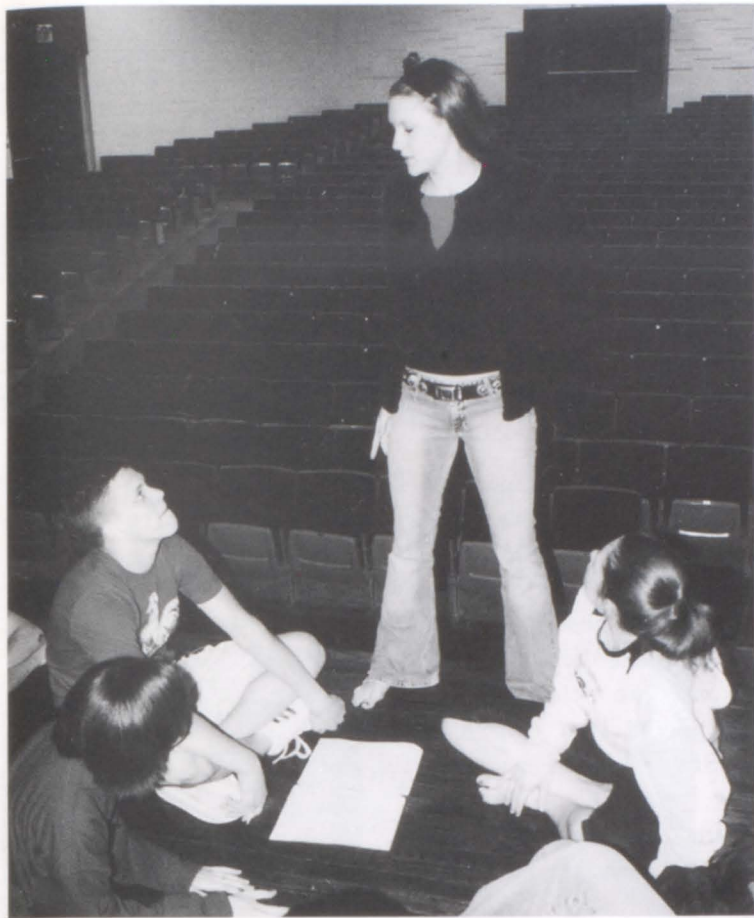


**S**eniors Alisha Mathiesen, Amanda Boddy, Katy Kirk and Gwen Peters prepare for the trial by going over their notes and discussing the trial. "It was just us girls on the varsity team, which made us stand out from the other schools," senior Katy Kirk said.



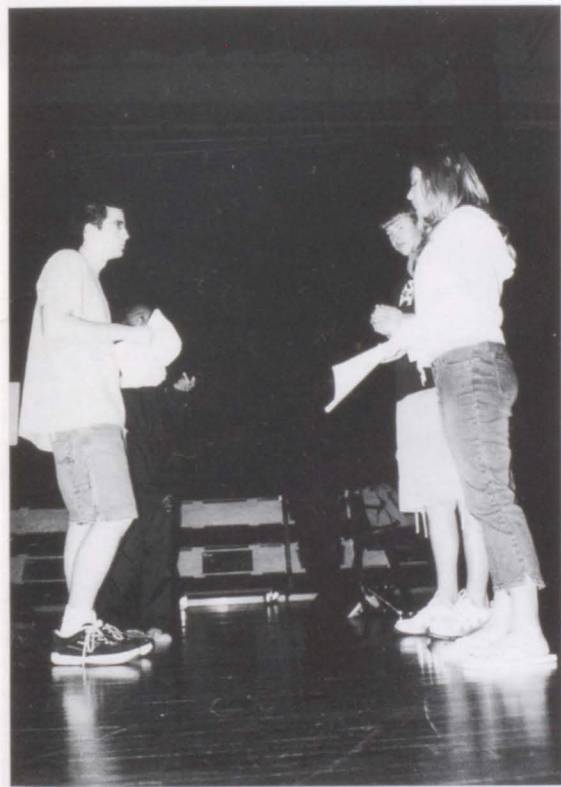
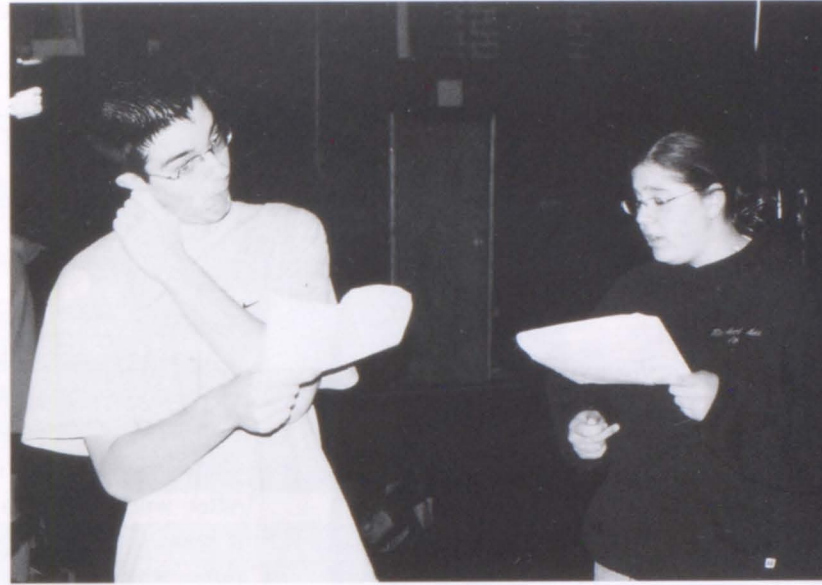
### Mock Trial—

**Front Row:** Dustin Harding, Sarah Padilla, Morgan Grabmiller, Jared Simmons, Alex Porter, Amamnda Boddy, Cole Kill, Kyle Parker, Jamie Poje, and Heather Rose. **Second Row:** Gwen Peters, Anber Waite, Monica Kennedy, Cari Frazey, Erick Snider, Aaron Maxwell, Janee Ingenthron, Matt Haas, Philip Shirley.



Senior Kaylyn Wischart rehearses with a few of her classmates for the forensics final which was memorizing and performing a play. "I think that forensics can make your voice more projectable," sophomore Michelle Knight said.

With a goofy look on his face freshman Devin Harvey and sophomore Rachel Robare rehearse their lines during class. The class was held fifth hour second semester and those unable to get in the class practiced in their free time.



The forensics team was comprised of 19 in-class students and four out of class students. The team was led by the seniors: Alanna Smith, Philip Bailey, Anecia Reed, Michael Maxwell, Kaylyn Wischart and Kevin Dame.

"This year was really fun. Doing I.D.A was a blast, and I am glad that I was involved in forensics. It gave me something to look forward to," senior Philip Bailey said.

State qualifiers were: seniors Alanna Smith for poetry interpretation, Anecia Reed in serious solo, Philip Bailey and Kevin Dame for impromptu duet acting, or I.D.A.

"I am really glad that I joined forensics this year and the fact that I was with some of my best friends made it more worthwhile," sophomore Jon Jones said.

—Jessica Langley

*"I love forensics so much! It makes me feel important when I am acting out a scene."*

—Andrew Holder

## Forensics

*"Together we worked numerous hours to go to competition and to compete. A lot of work was 'thinking on our feet.'"*

—Brandon Hoch

Freshman Devin Harvey and sophomores Alexis Foster, Andrew Holder, and Michelle Knight rehearse for the group drama. "It was really neat to see people act out their parts," sophomore Katy Killingsworth said. "They made the characters really awesome."

*"I wish we would have had longer class periods. I enjoyed working with everyone. This is what I want to do when I grow up."*  
 — Editor, Echo Prather

**W**hen students picked up the first issue of the *Pow Wow*, they noticed that the newspaper had made some pretty big changes. The staff changed the style of the paper to a more modern magazine style instead of a normal newspaper style. Members of the newspaper staff felt that this change was for the better and helped out the popularity of the newspaper.

"I think that the new layout and design of the newspaper this year was great. It's more modern, and it really seems to fit," senior Morgan Escott said.

The newspaper staff also did well at the Kansas State Press Association (KSPA) competition.

The newspaper staff received the 2004 KSPA

All-Kansas Award, which only few schools receive. Also, senior Cara Harding placed first in headline writing, and junior Tara Smith placed second in newspaper sports writing.

"After working on my entries for over three weeks, I still wasn't satisfied and did not expect to place at all, let alone win," Harding said.

The changes paid off for the newspaper staff, as their State awards and achievements proved.  
 —Sarah Goodin

## Newspaper

*"I like the way it's set up. It makes me think that we have a real newspaper company in Mrs. Holder's room."*  
 — Jennifer Keeton



**J**unior Nathan Smith takes a picture at a home football game. "I really enjoyed newspaper; I learned a lot. I enjoyed being the photography guy," Smith said.



### Pow Wow Staff

**First Row:** Liz Brown, Whitney Peterson, Andrea Zarate, Echo Prather, Juls Fowler.  
**Second Row:** Morgan Escott, Morgan Grabmiller, Kasey VanGosen, Danielle Putnam, Tara Smith, Cara Harding, Nathan Smith. **Third Row:** Jami Poje, Aaron Clark, Alyssa Alexander, Peter Cockrell. **Not Pictured:** Kellie Lemon.

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**Editor in Chief-**Echo Prather

**Entertainment Editor-**Morgan Escott

**Illustrator-**Kellie Lemon

**Sports Editor-**Liz Brown

**Copy Editor-**Kasey VanGosen

**Features Editor-**Andrea Zarate

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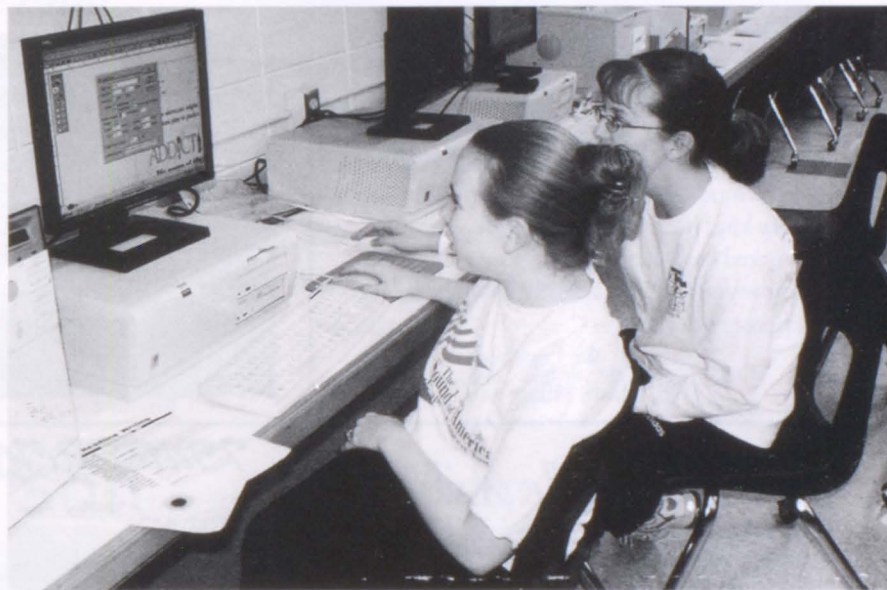
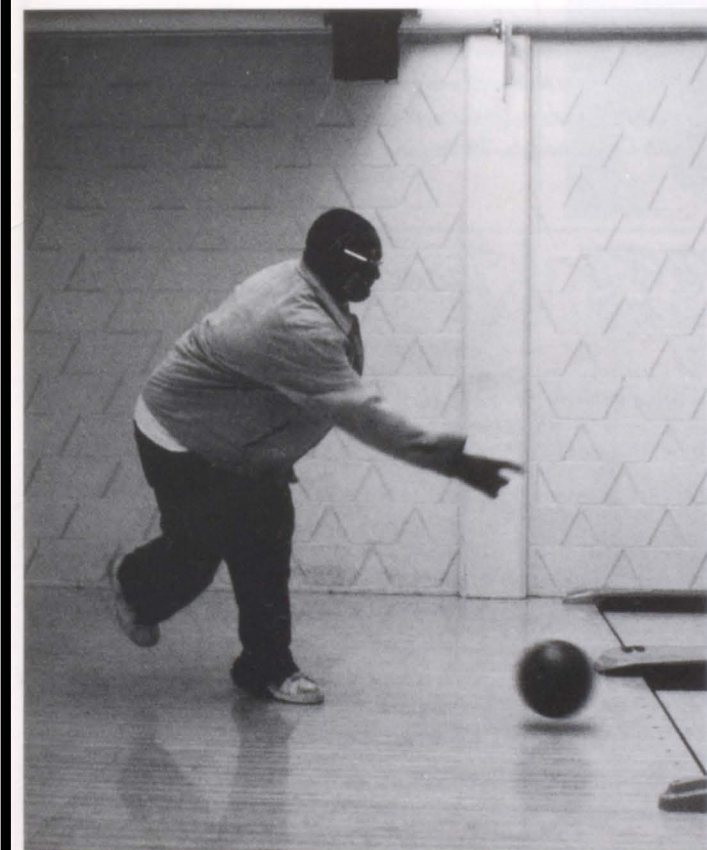
**Business Manager-**Danielle Putnam

**Staff Writers-**Alyssa Alexander, Peter Cockrell, Morgan Grabmiller, Cara Harding, Whitney Peterson, Jami Poje, Tara Smith, Aaron Clark



Junior Morgan Grabmiller gets a quote from senior Brett Shelton for her story. "Newspaper was quite an experience," Grabmiller said.

Junior Peter Cockrell takes a picture for a story for the newspaper. "I think that the newspaper was great this year. With all the changes it made, it look really professional," freshman Jacob Campbell said.



Senior Cara Harding and junior Tara Smith work on the senior issue for the newspaper. The annual senior issue had pictures of seniors when they were in kindergarten, their plans for next year and what they remember most about their high school careers.

Junior Aaron Clark takes a break from the KSPA workshop, which was held on Sept. 24, 2004 at the University of Kansas. Both the newspaper staff and yearbook staffs attended the workshops and learned about new ideas and how to write the perfect story.



## Erick Andrew Ratliff

I have always been very proud of you Erick. I could not have been blessed with a better son. You have always inspired me to be a better father. I hope you remember the good things from high school. I believe in you and will always be in your corner. You deserve the best life has to offer.

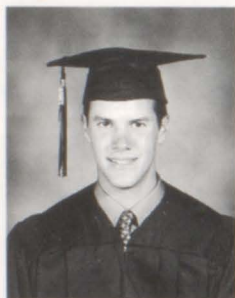
I Love you,  
Dad

## Ryan Kramer



Ryan,  
We are so proud of you!  
Congratulations!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Karen, Ashley and Aaron

## Christopher Johnson



We are very proud of you Chris. You are a very kind hearted person. You have always worked hard in everything you've done. We know you will be successful in whatever you choose to do.

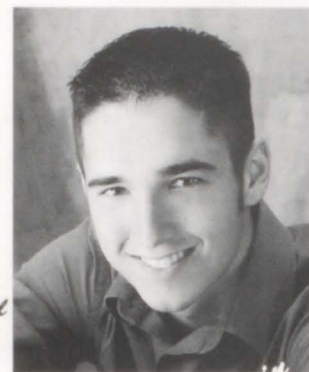
We Love You  
Dad, Mom, Hilary and Lindsey

## Kevin R. Dame



*When you were a toddler you were full of energy. Always on the go, and blessed with a wonderful imagination. Now, as a young adult, You used your talents to excel in sports and music. We have enjoyed watching you play, except for the injuries, and listening to you sing. You have a wonderful way of enjoying life and it is contagious to those around you. What a smile! Always believe in yourself and remember that as you move forward that you are never alone, God is right by your side. You finished the decade of the Dames in style. We love you!*

Mom & Dad



## Beth Nicole Ashford



*From your rockin' horse to your rockin' music, you have always been one of a kind. Congratulations, Beth.*

We love you,  
Mom and Dad

## KIMBERLY BOURN



*While graduation may seem like the end of a wonderful journey, it is but the beginning of a greater, more challenging adventure; life, so have fun. Congratulations on this day, we are, and will always be proud.*

Love,  
Dad, Lynne, Mom, Doug, Jennifer, Brandi and Kaci

## Tara Rene Eveland



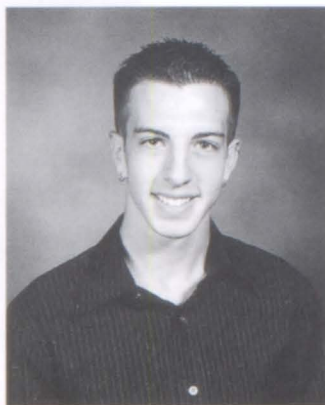
*We will be there for you night and day  
To watch you work and to watch you play  
Our little girl is grown up now  
And all we can say is Baby WOW!*

Love,  
Mom, Dad and Teann

# Michael Maxwell



To my son, From the day you were born, I have been so proud to call you "son". No matter what the challenge you always succeeded. No matter who needed you, you were there. Every person you meet you touch their life. Always a smile when people would state- your Michael's mom. Reach for your dreams my son, and never lose that special spirit and drive you have. You are a blessing to us all. Good luck. I love you very much, and I am so proud to call you "Son". Someday I will look on the big screen that's my son!



(Keep your dreams) I love you,  
Mom

# Julianne Rae Fowler



Like father like daughter! Our little girl has turned into a lovely, ambitious young woman of whom we are most proud. Go get em! Our love and support forever.

Mom, Dad, Jennifer and Meg

# Jennifer Sullivan



You came in our life with a bang. You have gave us so much to sparkle about. We have told you the sky's the limit. You have proven that by your first big achievement high school. Now you will leave home, remember hold your head high and the sky's the limit. You have made us so both very proud.  
Love, Mom and Dad

# Danielle Perica



"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams." —Eleanor Roosevelt

Never give up on your dreams, Danielle.

We love you,

Mom, Dad, Nicole and Alex

# Whitney Peterson



We could fill volumes writing about how wonderful it's been having you in our lives. We've truly treasured every day. Your accomplishments are simply outstanding. You're exactly the person that we always dreamed you would be. Your future is almost as exciting for us as it is for you. There are no limits—no boundareis—no obstacles that you can't overcome.

Our wish is that you use your heart as a compass as you find your way in the world and you always have an appreciation for the direction home. We're your biggest fans, now and always. We Love you, Whit.

With love and admiration,  
Mom and Dad



# Kristy M. Holt



We wish you the best in everything you do, and we know you'll try it all. Keep that beautiful smile all the way.

We'll love you always,  
Mom, Dad, Amy, Jeff and Grandpa



# Jeneice Laurette Waters



*Jeneice-  
Wow! You've grown into an amazing young  
woman. I am honored that you are my daughter.  
Love always,  
Mom*

# Kyle Kenneth "Bo" Black



*From sports and academics to  
automechanics, you have given your best.  
We are so proud of you and everything you  
do.*

*Love Mom, Dad and Kaleb*

# Autumn Hansen



On the day you were born, we knew you were special. It turns out God gave us a precious jewel with the spirit and courage to capture whatever your dreams may be. Keep God close and you'll travel life's journey and reach your goals!

Love, Mom and Dad

# Meghen Tinsley

May the Lord fill your life with music and your dreams come true. We are very proud of you!

All our love,  
Mom and Dad



# Krissy Beach



We are so proud of you. You go baby girl.  
We love you!

Grandma &  
Grandpa



# James Casey Heston



James,  
From the moment you were born, we knew you were very special. Eighteen years have flown by. We've watched you grown into the handsome, young man that you've become. We are very proud of you and the accomplishments that you have made. Always remember, whatever you do in life, we will always be here for you. Congratulations to our Son, The Graduate!!

We Love you,  
Mom, Dad, and Zachary



# Sarah Jane Goodin



*Sarah,*

*On the day you were born, we knew you were special, with bright orange hair and tiny squeal when you cried. You've grown to be a beautiful young woman with a heart of gold. We are very proud of you and your many accomplishments, which some were a great challenge that made you stand tall above the rest. You've shown Bravery beyond our expectations. Granny and Grandpa Clark would be very proud of you. Thru the years I look forward to continuing to share what life has to offer you thru good times and bad. Congratulations as you prepare to Graduate from High School. God Bless you.*

*Love always,  
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# Amanda Boddy



*Amanda, you have matured into a delightful young woman. Your sense of humor is awesome as well as your caring spirit. We wish and pray that all your dreams become reality.*

*Love, Mom & Dad*

*P.S. Spot-free washes aren't really free.*

# Genella Mooney



To Genella,

Finally made it! I am so proud of you and so would your father. I am here to watch over you and your father is watching up above follow your DREAMS.

Love, Mom

# Victoria Reynolds



*Vicky,*

*Graduation-finally! You have worked hard for this and we are proud of you. Remember you can do anything you want to do.*

*Love-  
Dad and Mom*



# Carissa Smith

Carissa, as graduation draws closer we take time to reflect back over the past 18 years. And some of our fondest memories are those times we laughed so hard we cried. Just to hear a child laugh is so precious, but you know the fondest memory we all have of you is your charming way with people and your beautiful smile. If only we could express just how much happiness you've brought to those around you especially your family. Carissa, you are an amazing young woman. Don't ever forget the woman you've become, always understand your past and move towards the future. If there was just one last thing we could leave with you before you move on in life it would be this, "dream what you want to dream; go where you want to go; be what you want to be, because you have only but one life and one chance to do all the things you want to do. We love you very much and pray for all your success now and in the future.

Love, Mom and Andy

# Morgan Escott



*You have been, and always will be my shining star, and my, how you shine! "Shoot for the Moon ~ Even if you miss, you will still be among the stars!"*

*Congratulations!  
Unconditional Love,  
Mom*

# Anecia Lendora Reed



*My dear Anecia, how I love thee. I am so proud of the rose that you are blossoming to be. I know in my hearts of hearts you will succeed in this life. Set your goals high and keep GOD first.*

*I love you.  
Mom*

# Leeana Johnson



*Do not follow where  
The path may lead...  
Go instead where there is  
No path & leave a trail.*

*Congratulations, Leeana! We wish only the  
best and great success for you in the future.  
We're so proud of you and we love you very  
much. Remember you'll always be our little  
girl!*

*Love always,  
Dad, Mom, Marina and the rest of the family*



# Ashley Pardew



*Ashley,*

*Congratulations! I am very proud of all  
your accomplishments. You now have all the keys  
of life to unlock whatever door you choose!*

*Love,  
Dad*

# Bret A. Sorensen



*Congratulations!  
Good Luck and Blessings in everything  
you do in the future.  
"Go Big Red Nebraska!"*

*Love Always,  
Mom, Dad and Monica*



# Megan Phillips

*The road of life is never  
smooth or always straight but  
remember, it's the journey that  
makes it great. With graduation  
it's like the road has come to an  
end. But wait there's more to life  
just around the bend.*

*Congratulations, Megan,  
Dad, Amanda, Bob, Colleen,  
Amy, Amber and Grandma C*



# Heather Weaver



*Heady Boo,  
We are so proud of you!  
Congratulations  
We love you,  
Mom, Craig & Sissy*



# Stacy Belknap



*Congratulations Stacy!  
We are very proud of you.  
Love,  
Mom, Rick, Lindsey & Devin*

# Corie Crouch



Corie,  
You've really come a long way Baby! Congrats! We're very proud of you. Keep it up. We're behind you all the way.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

# Frank Ray Vogan II



Frank,  
We are so proud of you.  
We love you very much.  
Mom & Dad

# Savannah Sue Clouse



Savannah,  
We are so proud of you! We love you very much!  
Mom & Dad

# Heidi Schweizer



*You couldn't make us more proud! You have overcome immense adversity with your head held high. Don't let anyone bring you down because you are an amazing person who will achieve whatever you reach for. We'll be by your side every step of the way.  
Love Always,  
Grandma, Grandpa, Uncle Marc, Aunt Amy, Adam, Cassie and Marc Jr.*



# Stephanie D. Thomas

Stephanie,  
This is what you've worked so hard for all these years. Now the future is yours. We are so proud of you. Congratulations!  
Lots of love,  
Mom & Dad

# Megan Smith



*My dearest Megan,  
Your warm spirit and kind heart are your most beautiful qualities. Never lose sight of your dreams because you deserve all the happiness possible.  
"I'll love you forever  
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As long as I'm living  
My baby you'll be."  
Mom*

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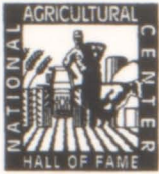
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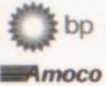
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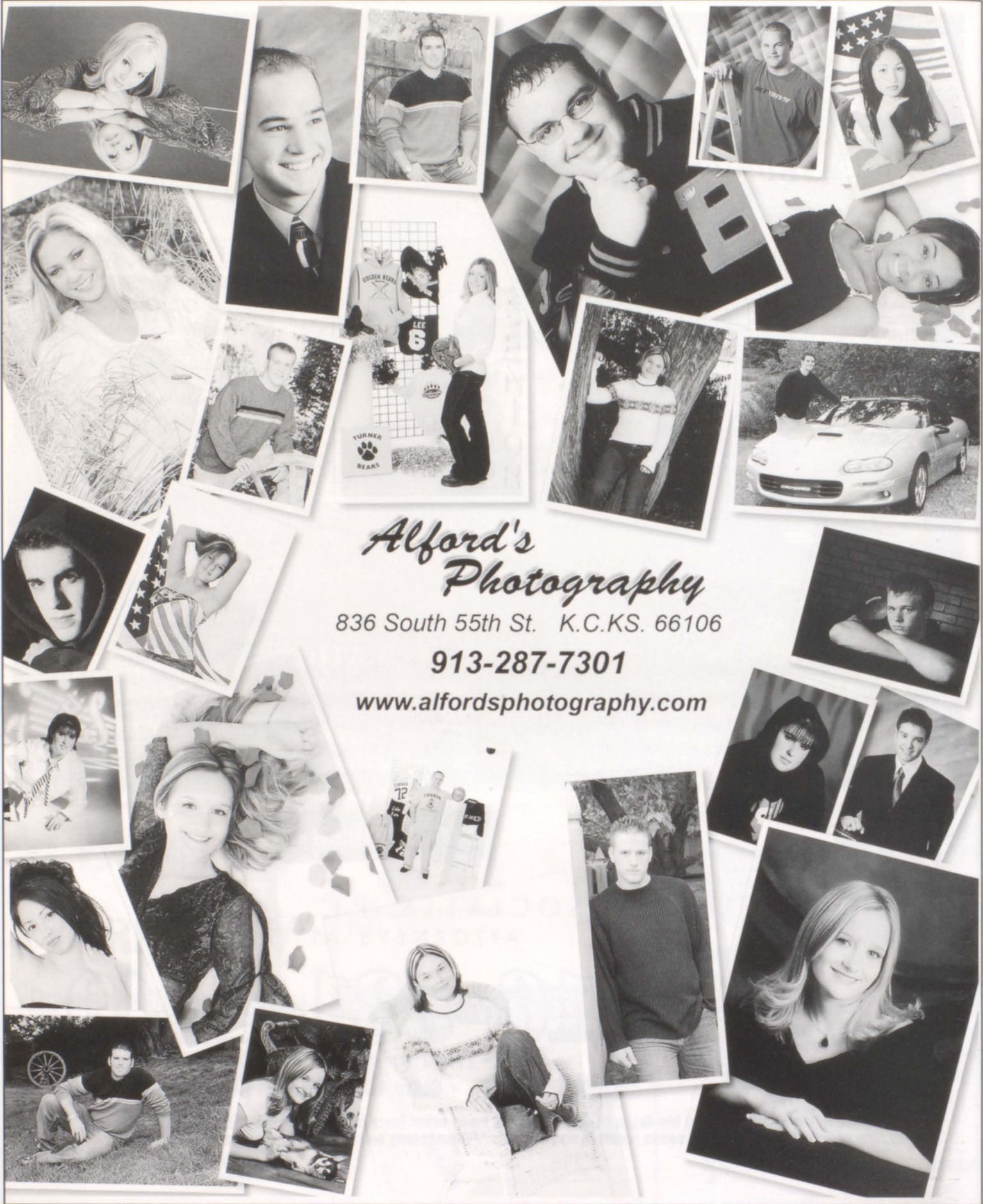
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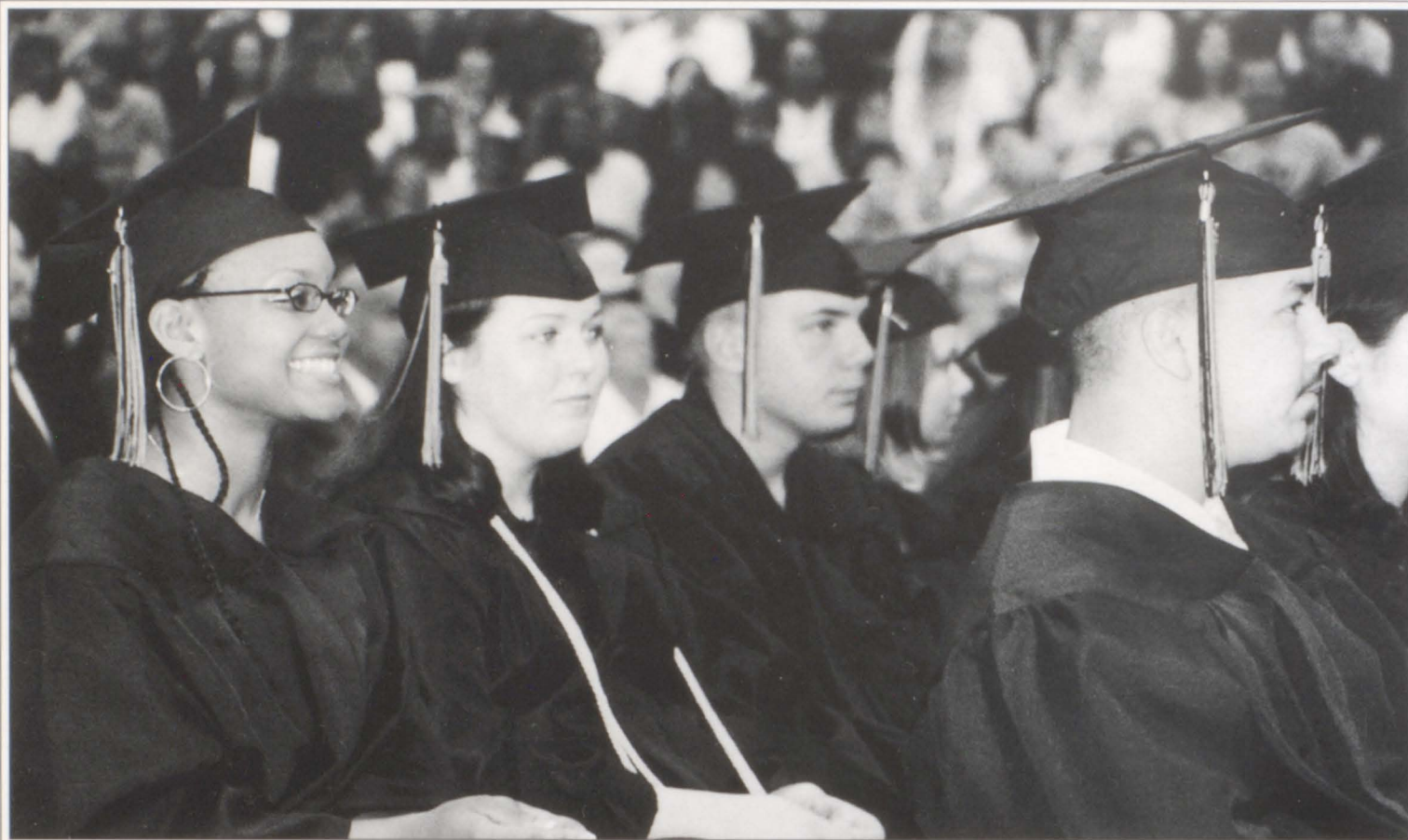
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