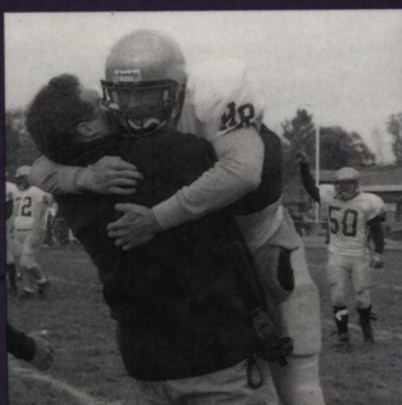
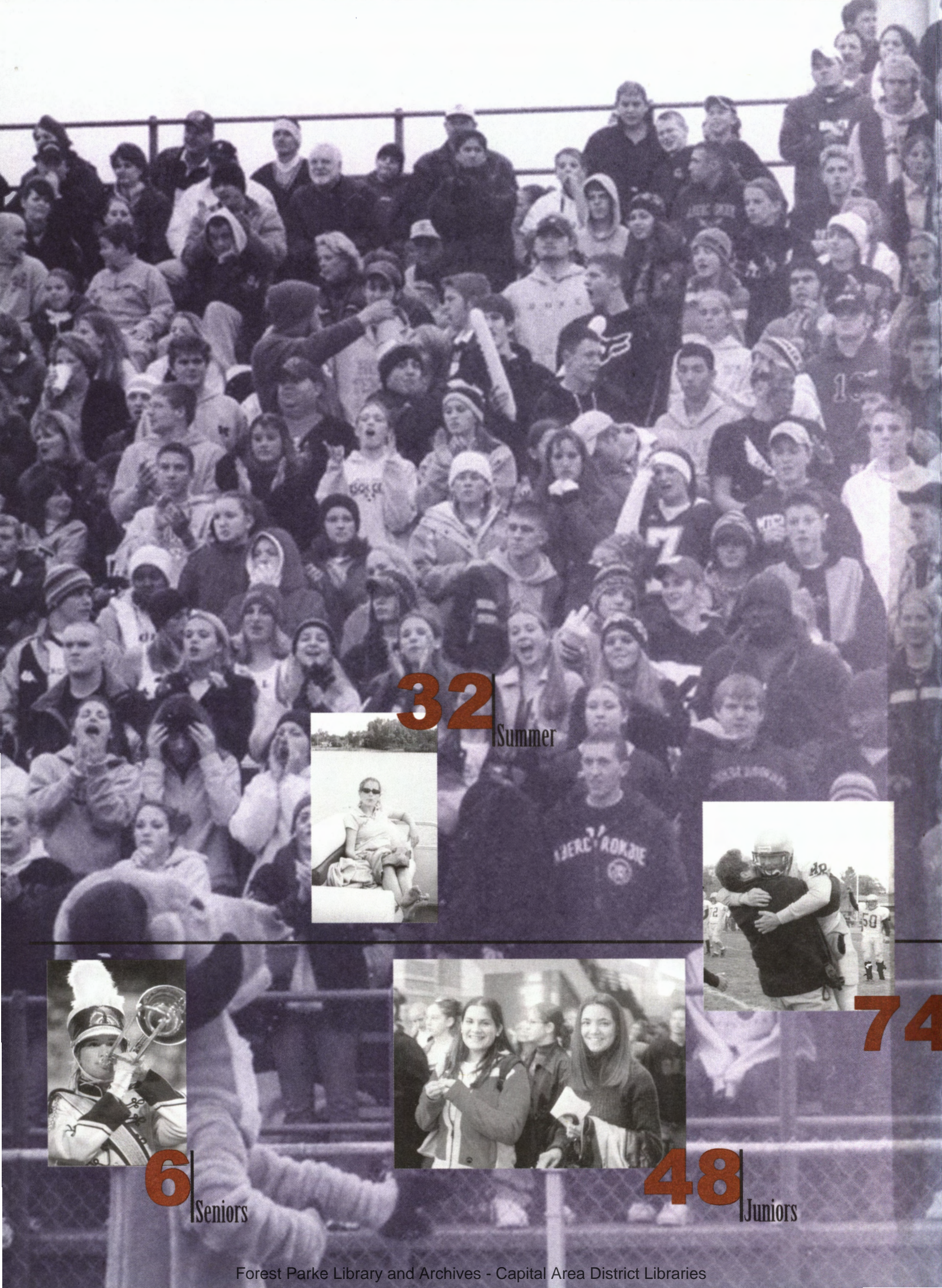


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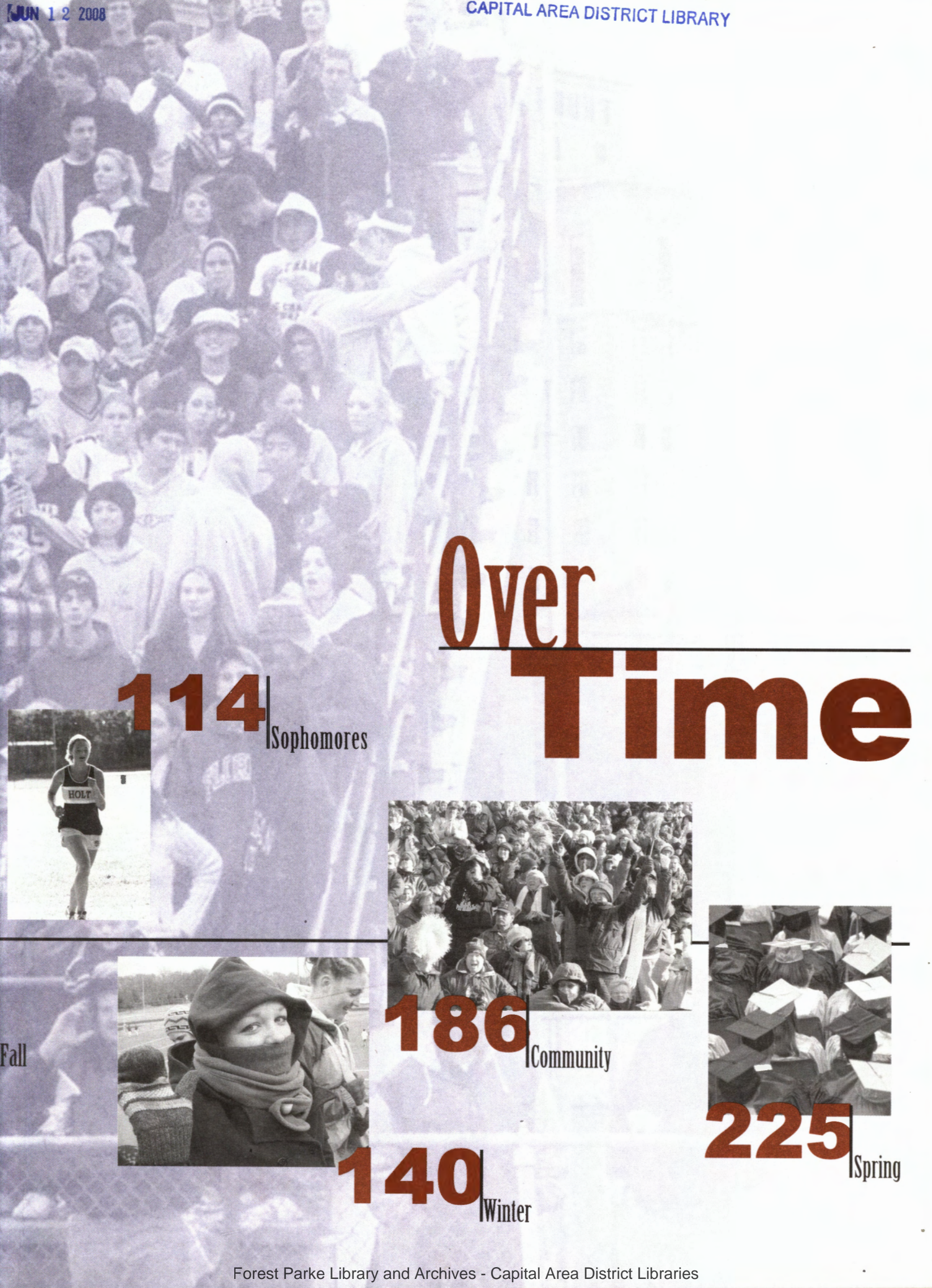
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Senior Ruth Anderson plays the trombone during halftime against Eastern. Anderson has been a part of the band for all four years of high school. *Photo by Christine Beno.*

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Student Population: 1,245
Teaching Staff: 75



by Kristine Levondosky and Leah Maier



Continuing a four year record of winning, the senior float took first place. The Homecoming theme was cereal, and the seniors chose Lucky Charms. *Photo by Holly Nelson*



Under a cloudy sky, seniors **Robi Bare** and **Tracy Wilburn** get together before the Homecoming parade. The parade was canceled due to bad weather. *Photo by Holly Nelson*



Sophomore **Andy Masarik** prepares to snap the ball to **Mikhail Eisler**. The Rams ended their season with a 10 to 3 record and a regional championship. *Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky*

Junior John Major shows his spirit for the Rams and gets the crowd pumped up. A group of boys painted their chests for almost every football game. *Photo by Holt Community News*

It is 4:00am on a Tuesday morning. Juanita Grew pulls her Chevy Blazer into the front parking lot of the school, leaving tire tracks through the freshly fallen snow. Peering carefully into the darkened school, she unlocks the door.

This is her routine, arriving early to work on lesson plans and grading. It will be another hour before the mens swimming and diving team arrives for

Clocking Extra Hours

their morning practice. At 6:00, long-time day custodian Ernie Snyder will arrive to open up the school and officially begin the day.

Like Grew, the swim team, and Snyder, the staff and students at Holt Senior High School are putting in many extra hours these days. With a big move to the new high school ahead and a reputation of excellence to maintain, teams, classes, clubs, and committees are working overtime.

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Holt has some of the hardest working fans around. Josh Shinkel and Luke Osterhouse cheer on the JV football team and the JV cheerleaders at the Grand Ledge game. Photo by Christine Beno





Aiming for a goal, sophomore **Jeremy Troisi**'s extra efforts paid off with the Gatorade Will to Win Award.
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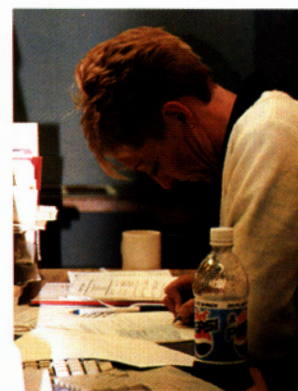
Before the holidays, sophomores work on pinatas for Sparrow Hospital in Spanish class.
Photo by Shawn Jackson



After winning the playoff game against Grand Ledge, sophomore quarterback **Mikhail Eisler** joyfully embraces coach **Mike Smith**. The football team won the regional championship this year. *Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky*

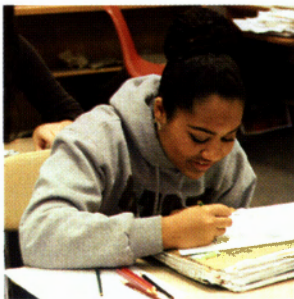
Former junior high counselor **Ann Coe** became assistant principal this year. Coe supervised both the counseling center and professional development for the staff.
Photo by Christine Beno

As co-advisor to Student Council, secretary **Sue Kenney** logs a lot of extra hours. "Because she is available to students all day, she often has to juggle Student Council with her daily obligations; not to mention the many hours she spends after school," said fellow advisor **Matt Trunk**. "Working with Sue has been great," he added. *Photo by Christine Beno*



The marching band puts in overtime over the summer by attending band camp at MSU. Here, members play at the game against Eastern. Photo by Christine Beno

At float building, senior Robi Bare works on a shamrock for the Lucky Charm float. Thanks to their hard work and long hours, the seniors have won the float competition all four years. Photo by Jenny Christensen



Sophomore Erin Belt works on homework during class so that she'll have time for cheerleading practice after school. Photo by Sergey Sarkisov

During Art Days, junior Zack Wilkes watches his teacher assist a Sycamore student. Photo by Shawn Jackson





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A lot of effort has gone into preparation for next year's move to the new high school. Heading up that effort is teacher Penelope Restau, who said, "I know that as the move gets closer people are going to start panicking, so I'm trying to do what I can *now* to help with that." Restau has organized a color coded labeling system for boxes and has worked tirelessly on teacher room assignments.

The staff certainly are not the only ones hard at work: students cram for final exams and spend countless hours polishing projects for classes. But their work doesn't end after the school day is over. Both clubs and athletics dedicate much time and sweat to achievements, a big payoff for many.

It is 12:00 am and Bob Phaneuf, one of the night custodians, is locking the last door to leave. It has been a long night for Phaneuf and other custodians with a quiz bowl tournament, a swim meet, dress rehearsals for the musical, *Hello Dolly*, and those pesky yearbook students with another frantic deadline. Now the long day is over, but Juanita Grew will be back in another four hours to begin the cycle again.



First time yearbook staff members seniors **Kelly Briggs** and **Jenny Christensen** discuss their cheerleading page during Homecoming week. Both girls dressed up for Farm Day. Photo by Anna Martinez

Hoping that their hard work in the off season will pay off with a big win in the playoffs, friends and fellow linemen **Adam Barr** and **Steven Scavarda** walk to the bus for the game against Battle Creek Central.

Barr was named Class A All State Honorable Mention and was selected for Lansing State Journal's 2002 Offensive Dream Team. Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky



Making a pinata during Spanish class, juniors **Ajani Scott** and **Stephanie Noe** dedicate their time to helping others. Photo by Shawn Jackson

Guess *who?*

Can you recognize these seniors from their childhood? Look for answers on page 31.



Elementary: Wilcox
Favorite Food: Pizza
Favorite Toy: Kitchen Set
Favorite Show: Fraggle Rock
Role Model: Mom
First Word: Hello

Elementary: Fancher
Favorite Food: Grilled Cheese
Favorite Toy: Doll
Favorite Show: Full House
Role Model: Mom
First Word: Da Da



Elementary: Elliott
Favorite Food: Hot Dogs
Favorite Toy: Batman
Favorite Show: Ninja Turtles
Role Model: Cousin Joe
First Word: Cracker

Elementary: Horizon
Favorite Food: Ice Cream
Favorite Toy: Barbie
Favorite Show: Saved By The Bell
Role Model: Daddy
First Word: Da Da



Elementary: Wilcox
Favorite Food: Grilled Cheese
Favorite Toy: Action Figures
Favorite Show: Sesame Street
Role Model: Tina Turner
First Word: E-shu-ant (Elephant)

Elementary: Dimondale
Favorite Food: Ice Cream
Favorite Toy: Pink Big Wheel
Favorite Show: Sesame Street
Role Model: Older Brother Matt
First Word: Da Da



Showing their spirits and proud to be Holt Rams are seniors **Holly Nelson** and **Ashley Shook**.

Riding his yellow duck, the prince for homecoming, **Steve Wulff**, takes a break from Senior Kickoff. *Photos by Holly Nelson*



Bundling up from the cold, seniors **Shannon Herod**, **Rachelle Hmiel**, and **Jessica Schouten** cheer on their team at the East Kentwood game. *Photo by Jennie Andrews*



Huddling under the pavillion from the rain, the seniors tye-dyed shirts and bonded.
Photo by Holly Nelson



Congratulating each other on a great practice are seniors **Adam Barr** and **Steve Scavarda**. *Photo by Laurie Scavarda*

Throwing snowballs on the roof, senior **Matt Tobey** releases some stress while at lunch. *Photo by Danielle Burt*



As the clock ticks away, memories will be stored and new opportunities will appear. Senior year is a time of growth and excitement. Seniors try to overcome obstacles and strive for improvement, whether it's doing our homework or winning a championship game. As the last high school summer fades away, it becomes clear that senior year needs to stand out from the rest. We are the last class to graduate from this school, and we need to go out with a bang. We start our last year early by competing to find the best outfits and locations for our senior pictures. "Getting my senior

So Many Memories So Little Time

by Tandee Ireland
and Jessica DeRosa

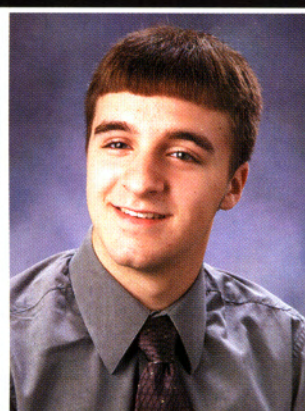
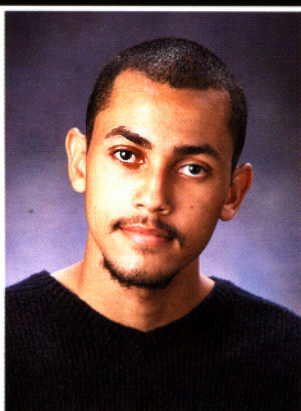
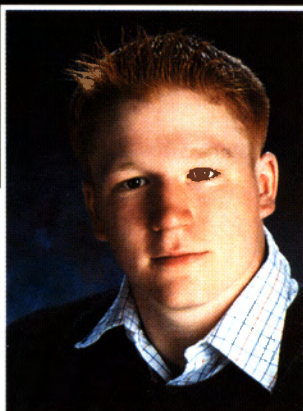
pictures done made me realize I'm finally a senior and it makes me feel good inside," said senior Rachel Mills.

With face paint on and cheers all rehearsed, we show our spirit and dedication to our school for homecoming. By dominating the float contest we were pumped up to help lead the football team to a victory.

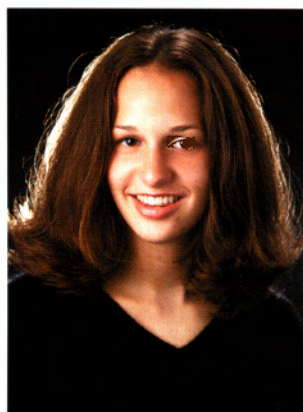
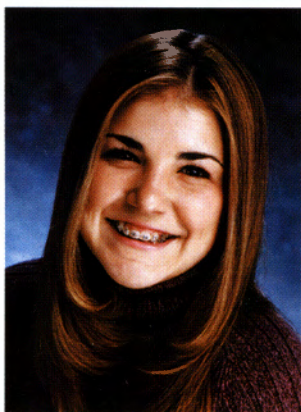
Most events in a senior's year lead up to the one big moment that gives us a reality check. The year is coming to a close and the start of a new life is staring at us. Graduation brings tears, but tears of happiness. Games, classes, and special events will come and go, but the memories and hardships that were shared with one another will never be forgotten.

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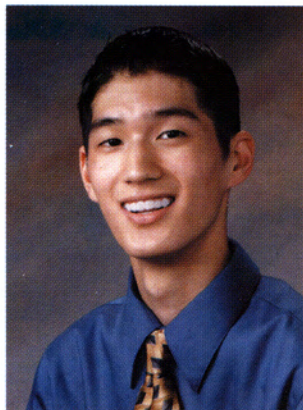
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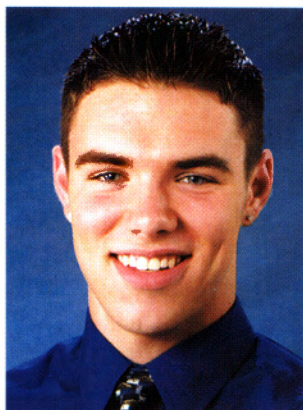
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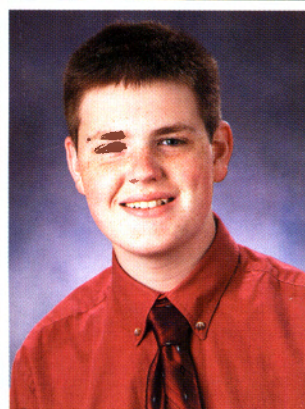
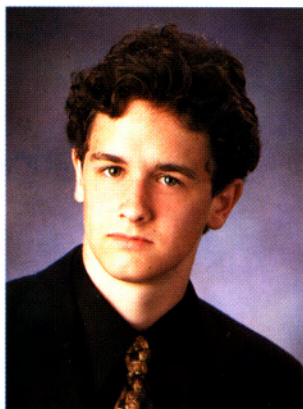
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Joseph Becsey
Melissa Bennett
Sarah Berry
Eric Betterly
Tricia Betts
Fawn Bird



How Normal are you?

by Danielle Burt
& Ashley Loveall

We tested our own version of Rorsch ink blots on these seniors.



"It's two little gnomes dancing!" responds senior Emily Wise with an excited scream. "No, it is two fairies that stole hats from gnomes," argues senior **Matt Smith**.

Photo by Ashley Loveall



"That would be uhhh...Mickey Mouse Man. Yeah, see, there are the ears and eyes and his cape," says senior **Ben Bailey**.

Photo by Danielle Burt



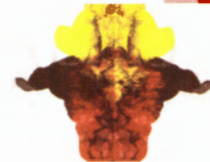
"That is Bill Clinton, if he were a spaceship," is senior **Kenny Shewchuk's** one of a kind answer.

Photo by Danielle Burt



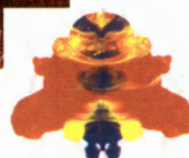
"It's a bull," seniors **Krista Bollert** and **Caitlin Rogell** respond in unison. Then went on to start chanting, "Toro, toro, toro!"

Photo by Danielle Burt



"An A-bomb, just like me: Addam Bomb! Ohhhh... laugh all you want," is senior **Addam Ayala's** response.

Photo by Ashley Loveall



"Ponies running through a field," is senior **Rob Vermerlin's** response to this inkblot.

Photo by Ashley Loveall



Passing the Test



by Jennifer Cooke

Some say senioritis is inevitable, just part of being a senior. Others claim that they can resist its lure with extreme self-discipline and intense focus. Take our test to see if you have what it takes to keep on studying and turning in work on time or if you are falling asleep in the middle of the lesson.

1. While sitting in the middle of class, you

- A) pay close attention, interacting in class discussion.
- B) look out the window and think of good ways to get out of the parking lot after school.
- C) try to catch up on those extra hours of sleep.

2. You arrive at school in the morning

- A) at 7:00 am - for the front row parking spot and a chance to get extra help on the assignment that is due in a week.
- B) at 7:30 am - just enough time to get to your locker and first hour without being tardy.
- C) in the middle of second hour. You overslept...again!

3. What does your schedule consist of?

- A) mostly AP and honor classes. It's good for college.
- B) moderately difficult classes with one or two easy A's.
- C) two hours of gym and three art classes.

4. When it's report card time, you

- A) think "Woohoo, another \$50 from grandma!"
- B) sigh with relief because you've already been accepted to college.
- C) light a match and hold the grades underneath. Did you really think it wasn't flammable?

5. When getting ready to go to lunch, you

- A) grab something quick and head to the library.
- B) grab some fries and find your friends.
- C) get in your car and head for an hour lunch.

6. When you think of graduation

- A) your eyes start to mist because you might not ever see your favorite teachers or locker again.
- B) you know you will miss all your friends and the great times you had.
- C) you wonder how long it's going to take before you can start partying.

7. When signing out, you

- A) ask for assistance, you don't know where you are supposed to go.
- B) try to act like you're really sick.
- C) think of a new appointment because how many times can one person really go to the dentist?

8. When looking back on your teachers, you

- A) remember names, faces, hour you had them, and their favorite sayings.
- B) remember faces but not names.
- C) you wonder, "I had them for a teacher? Did I even take that class?"

9. When it comes to homework, you

- A) strategically plan out the order you plan to do it in.
- B) do it five minutes before class the day its due.
- C) homework? You haven't done that since tenth grade!

10. On the last day of school you will most likely be

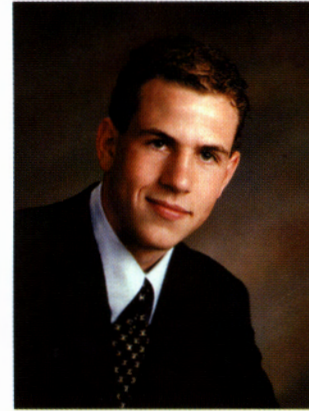
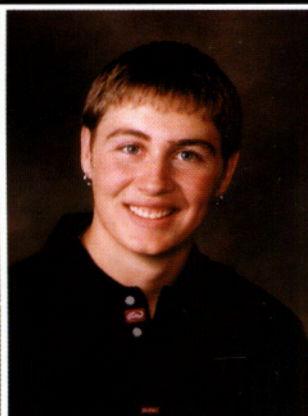
- A) saying long goodbyes to your teachers.
- B) cleaning out your locker and taking one last look around.
- C) running through the halls with shaving cream in hand, ready to go cream hundreds of underclassmen.

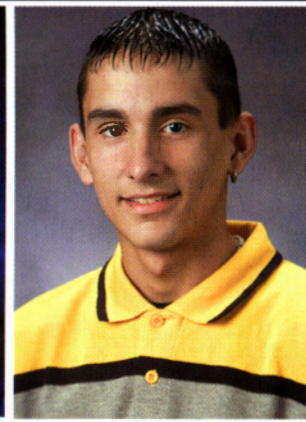
How did you score?

Mostly A's: Senioritis? You wouldn't know what that was if it bit you in the butt. You don't plan on dropping those AP classes or giving up those extra hours of community service. Great job!

Mostly B's: You were doing good there for awhile, but how long are you really going to last? The pressure of senioritis is kicking in. You're falling.

Mostly C's: You already have it. All the symptoms seem to stand out, from your constant sleeping in the middle of an interesting discussion to all those tardies adding up. Let's just hope you don't sleep in on the day you've been looking forward to for thirteen years: graduation!



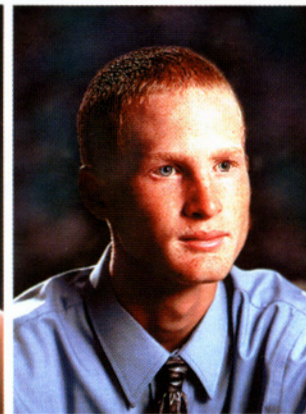
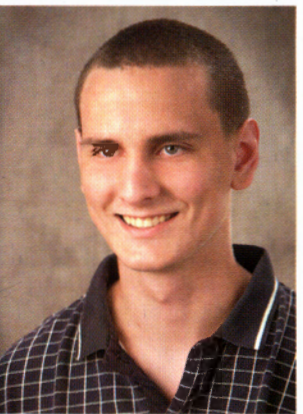


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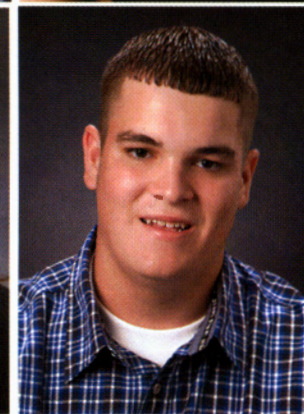
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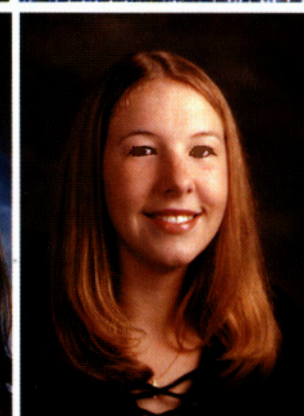
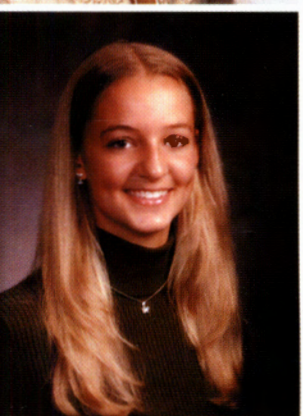
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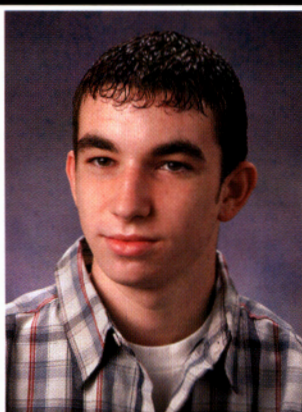
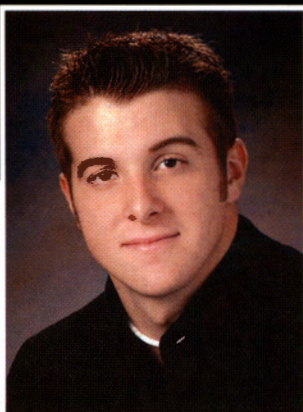
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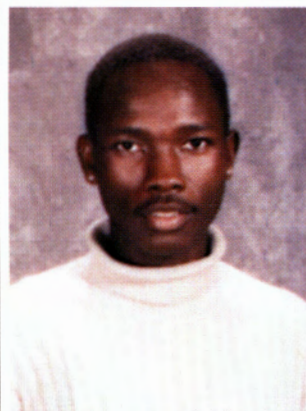
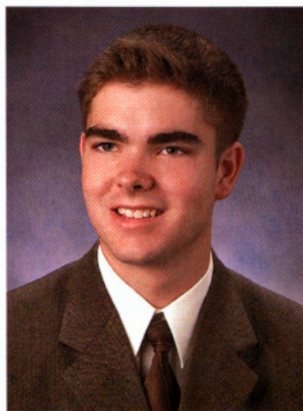
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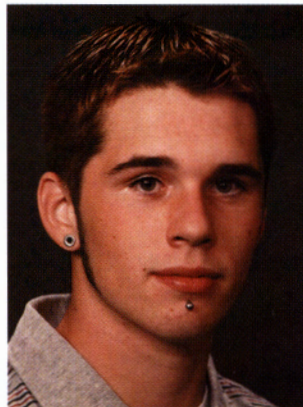
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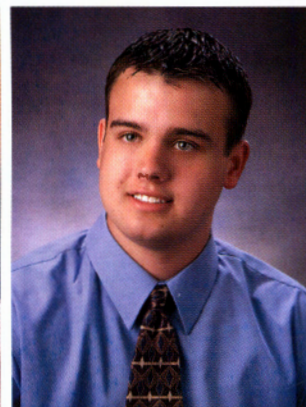
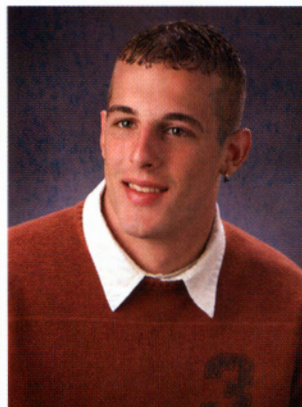
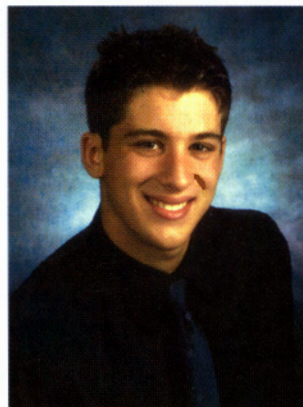
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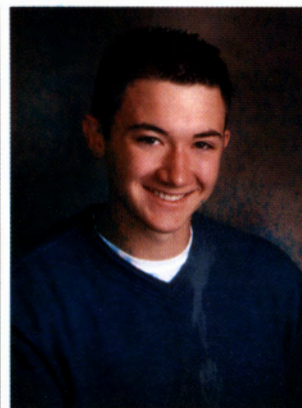
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From Start to Finish

by Kelly Briggs
& Jenny Christensen



You met on the playground during second grade. You played Power Rangers together and hung upside down from the monkey bars during recess. You passed notes in class when the teacher wasn't looking and made your mom pack an extra cupcake in your lunch to share.

You were best friends. Now you're almost ready to graduate, and looking back over your friendship you wonder if the two of you will be able to face

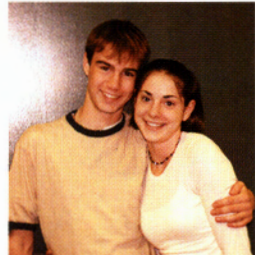
the challenges that will inevitably follow... different colleges or career paths, new friends in new places... Will your friendship, which has lasted since second grade handle these new changes? You look at your friend who has supported you through broken limbs, braces, breakups, and Business Math, and sigh with relief...
Of course it will.



Ever since their childhood days when their mothers paired them up to use the buddy system, **Chad Smith** and **Shawn Jackson** have been best friends. "Shawn has always been there for me, no matter what's going on," said Smith.



Tea parties and bike rides are what helped **Becca Whittaker** and **Ben Keeler** become friends. "We lived next door to each other when we were young; he moved to Holt, and then I followed," Whittaker said.



"Being a good listener and giving good advice are two of her best qualities," **Tiffany Wright** says about her best friend **Sara Durkee**. The girls have been best friends ever since Sara spoke her first words - "Uno, dos, tres," - to Tiffany.

Rise & Shine

by Courtney Duval & David Dionise



"There's nothing better than playing the mandolin in the morning," said senior Tom Griffith. Griffith has a unique approach to the late start on Wednesdays and practices his musical talent.

Photo by David Dionise



Just as an apple a day keeps the doctor away, so does a healthy breakfast, which is exactly what senior Paul O'Berry has every morning when his mother makes him egg sandwiches for his morning start.

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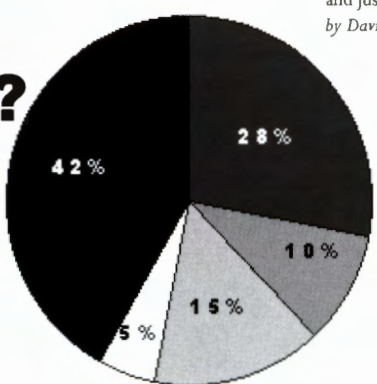


Choosing what to wear is sometimes the hardest thing for people in the morning, but for Kristin McCulloh time is limited, which makes it easier for her to wear whatever she wants. Photo by David Dionise

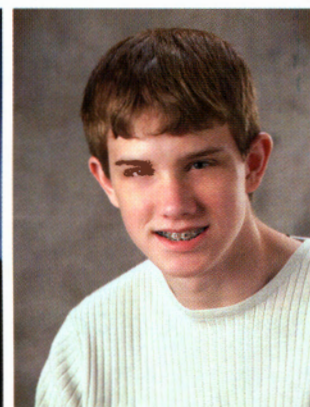
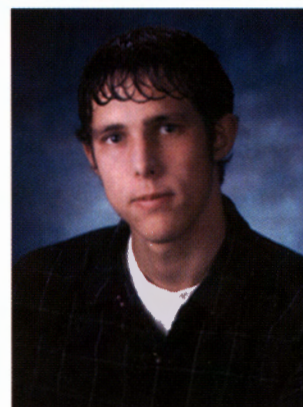
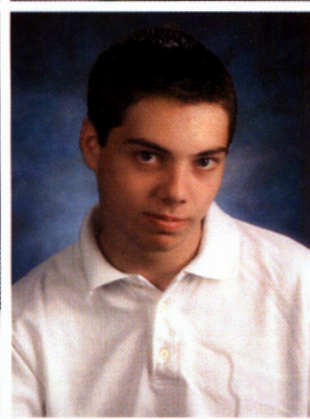
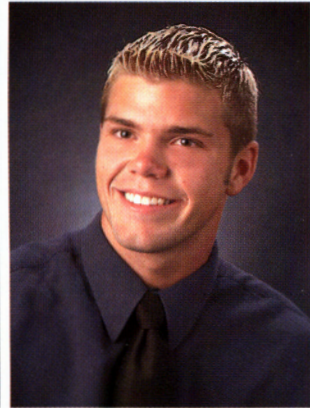
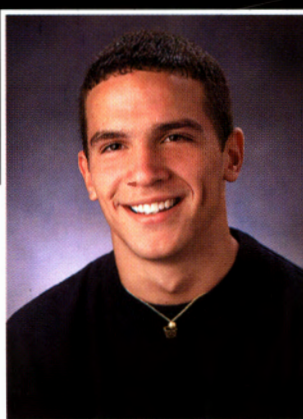
Taking advantage of the late start on Wednesday mornings, senior Sarah Darley chooses to sleep in. Other seniors go to school early for club meetings or meet friends for breakfast, but many follow Darley's example and just sleep in. Photo by David Dionise

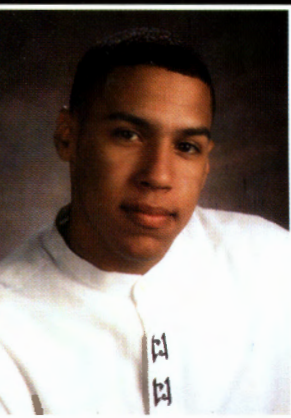
Snap, Crackle, Or Pop?

See if seniors like their cereal to talk, make their once-white milk chocolate, or start their day off lucky...



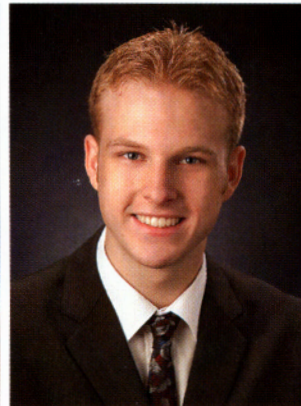
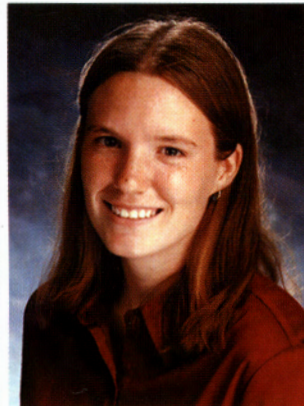
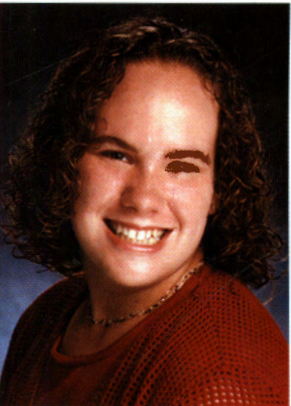
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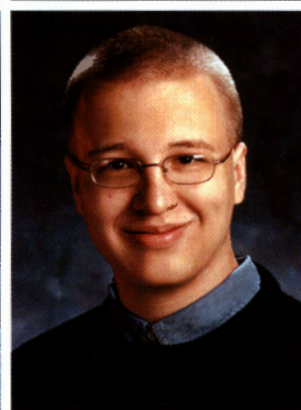
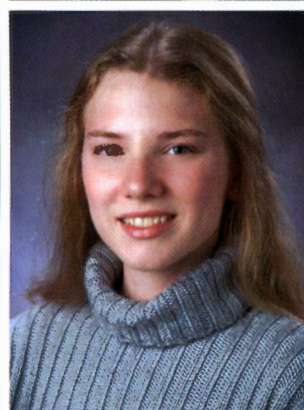
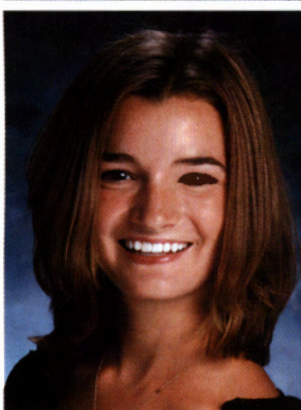
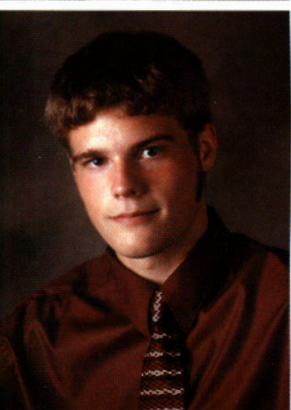
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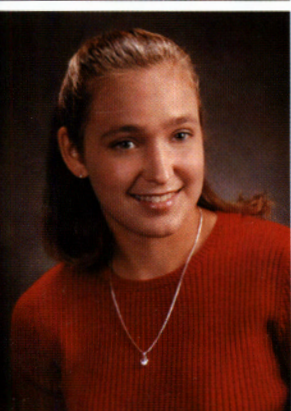
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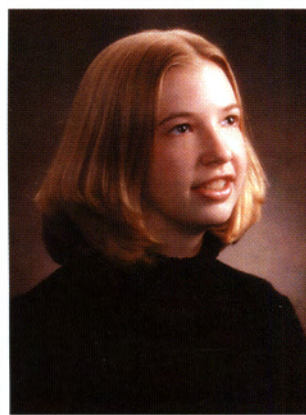
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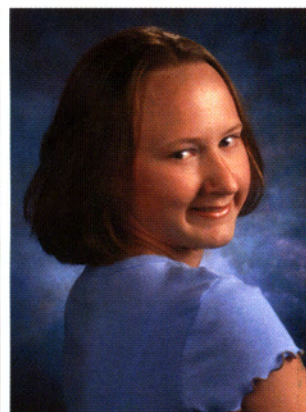
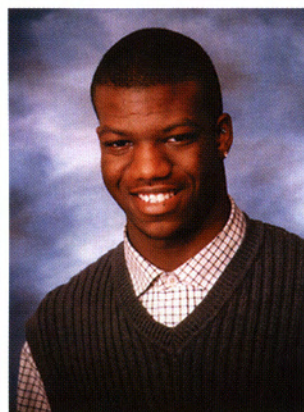
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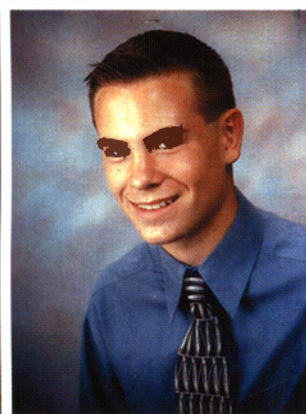
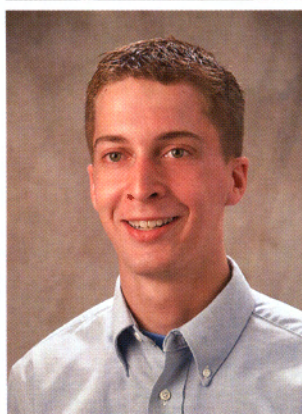
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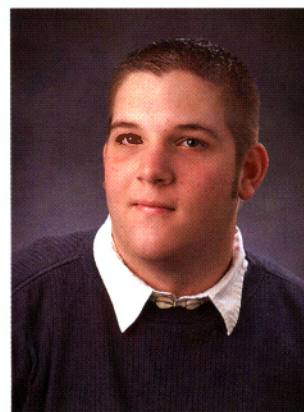
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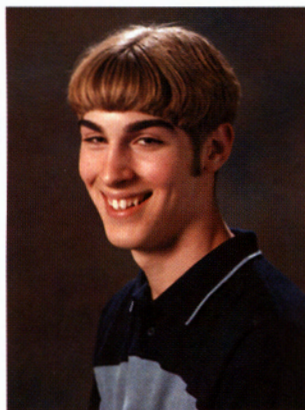
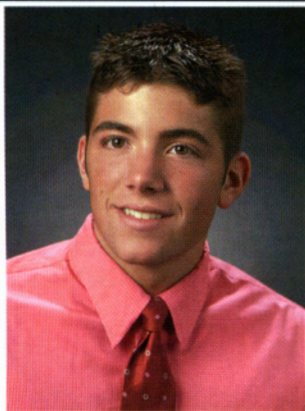


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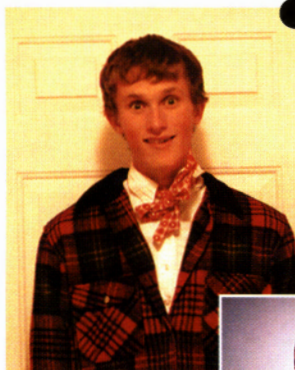
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Dream Jobs



by Keri Kosloski

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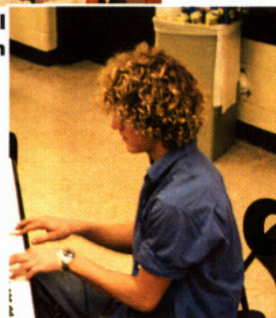
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Match the senior with his or her dream job...

"I would like to be an ER doctor because I've always wanted to be a nurse and it's a fast paced job; you would never get bored because there's always something different to deal with. It sounds exciting!"

"I would like to play Stewart from MadTV for my dream job because he has the life!"

"I would like to be a professional pianist because that's what I am good at."

"I would like to be a Chipendales dancer because I want to show off my great moves to every girl that ever broke my heart... and they can pay me for it!"

Answers D-3, C-1, B-4, A-2

Top 10 Dream Jobs

Taken From A&E's "Top Ten"

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|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 10. Sand Sculptor | 5. Restaurant Critic |
| 9. Internet Entrepreneur | 4. Pro Athlete |
| 8. Race Car Driver | 3. Fashion Photographer |
| 7. Idea Guru | 2. Travel Journalist |
| 6. Pop/Rock Star | 1. Movie Star |

Blast to the Past



Dan Conklin

by Gia Parker
& Shawn Jackson

When we were little, we just couldn't wait until we were grown up. Now that we're older, we sometimes wonder what all the fuss is about. But what if you could go back? Back to naptime, coloring books, and hide and go seek?

Of course no one can *really* go back, but students never forget the fun they had as kids; no matter where they lived. "My favorite memory is playing soccer in the streets all the time when I lived in Mexico. All the neighborhood kids would run out of every house to play. The goalies would be the look out for cars," said senior Jared Gates.

Others students remember the simple things as the greatest memories of fun. Senior Sunni Green explained: "Making tents out of sheets and fans, then bringing our sleeping bags in them was my best remembrance."

Acting crazy with friends is a memorable moment for senior Brad Fields: "Dancing with my boys to 'Real Love' by Mary J. Blige was tight."

Whether it was riding big wheels, playing hop-sotch, or winning at Chutes and Ladders, all of us have a memory to cherish for the rest of our soon-to-be adult lives.

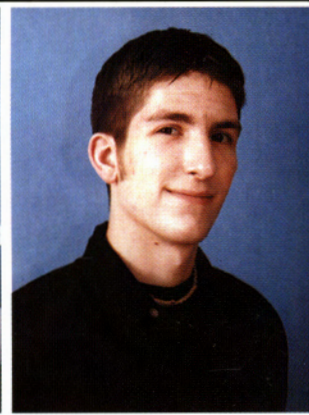
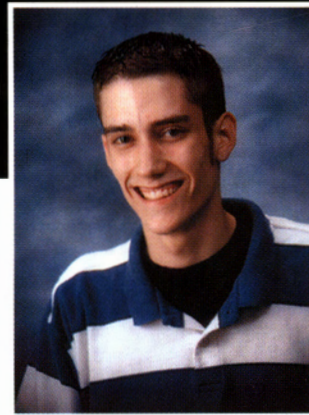


"Megan Pipkins, Jenny Christensen, Ashley Grill, and I used to be best friends.

We would get into trouble because we'd swing the wrong way on the swings and had to sit against the wall," explains Tracy Wilburn.



"My best childhood memory was finger painting in the driveway when I was younger. One time I painted myself blue and told my mom I was a clown," laughs senior Crystal Carlson.



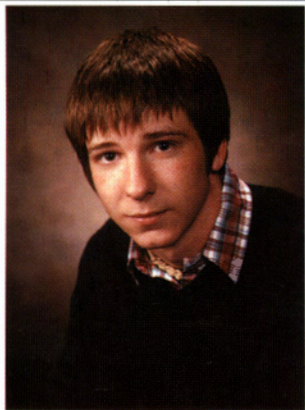
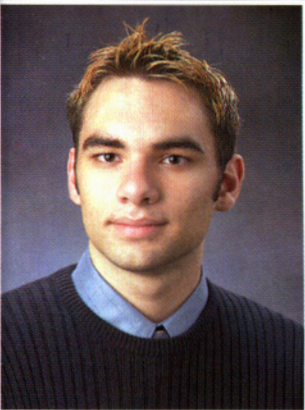
If you could be a kid again, would you?

I would be a kid again because I would have no responsibilities. It's a lot more fun and you don't have to worry about certain things.

~ Andria McCabe
(with Patricia Carlsake)

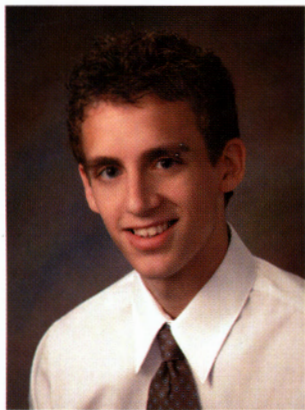
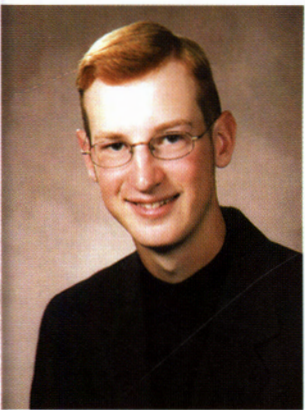


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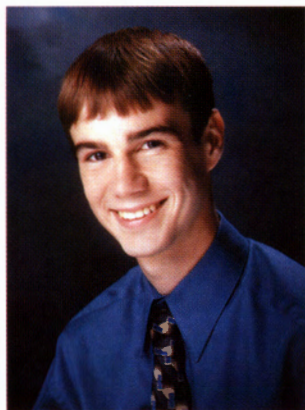


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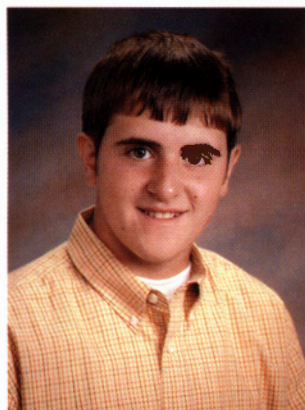
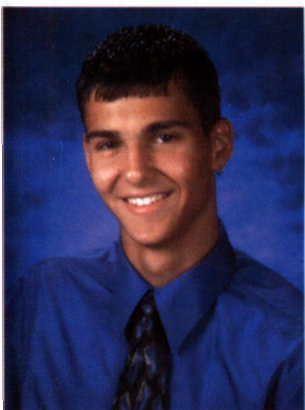
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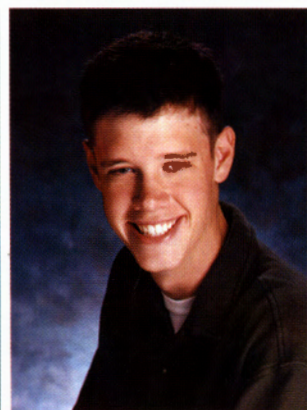
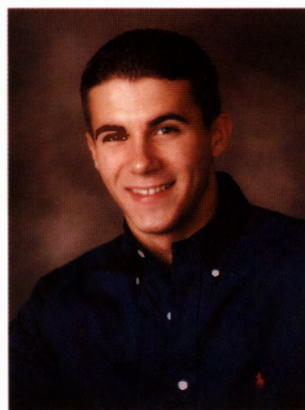
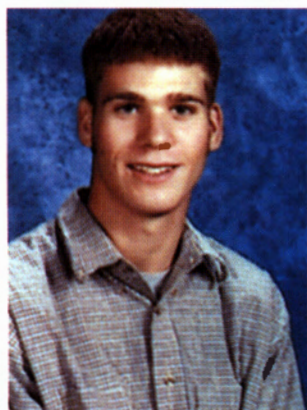
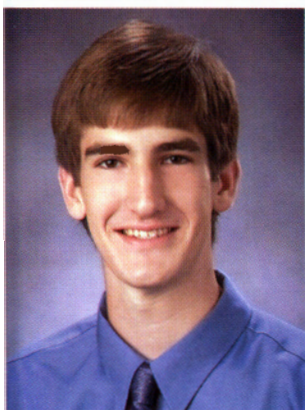
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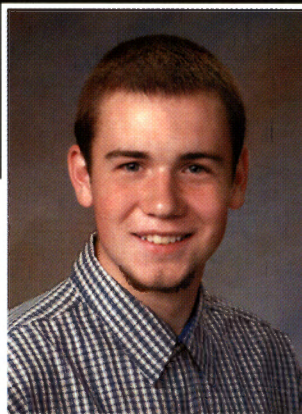
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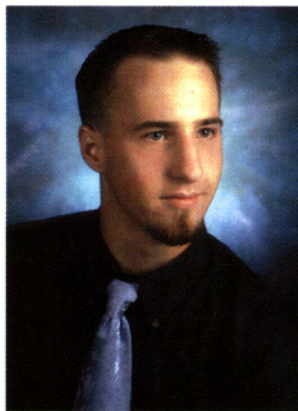
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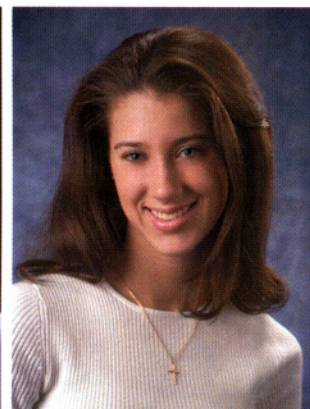
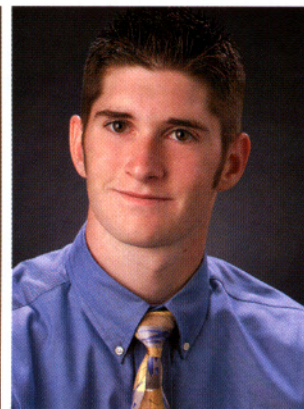
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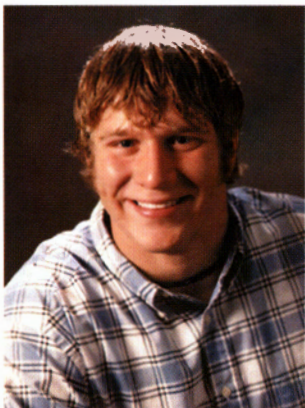


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High School Sweethearts

by Kristine Levondosky



It all started on December 28, 1996, Chris Mayes and Rachelle Hmiel were sitting in Mayes' basement. "I asked one of her friends if she knew who I was, and she said 'Yes,' so on my birthday we were watching TV and I just asked her out," said Mayes. Since then they have been inseparable.

"We never really fight, but when we do we always work them out right away; we really understand each other," Hmiel said. As this year comes to an end, it

"We know how each other will react, and I just can't stay mad at him anyway," says Rachelle Hmiel. Over the last five years, Chris Mayes and Rachelle have grown close and created a long-lasting friendship.



doesn't mean that their relationship will. "After high school, Chris and I are going to stay together: he is going to work construction and I am going to college.

After I graduate college we are planning on getting married," said Hmiel.

Many people think that it would be hard to keep a relationship for that long, but both agreed that they are glad they did. Looking back upon the years Chris and Rachelle have shared many good memories. "I just want to tell Rachelle that the past has been great and full of good memories; I hope the future is even better and goes on forever... I love you!" said Mayes.

"Chris and I met on the last day of sixth grade. We were both walking home with friends... the rest is history."



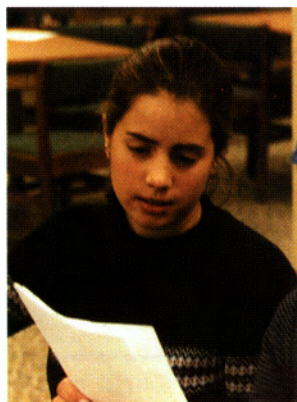
Through the years

Chris and Rachelle have been together for five years, longer than any other senior couple. "We just understand each other. We have such a good friendship so that really helps the relationship," says Mayes.



A New Beginning

by Leah Maier



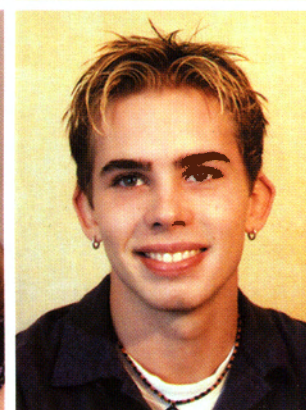
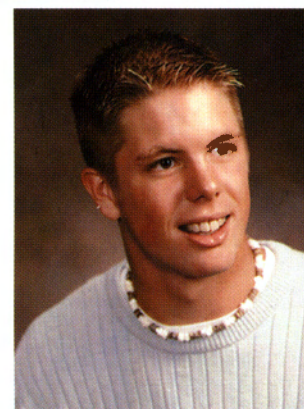
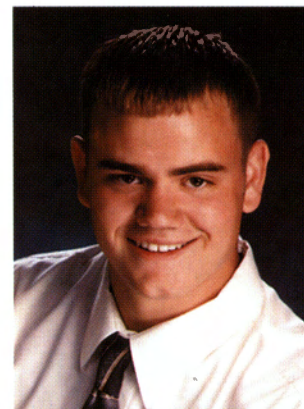
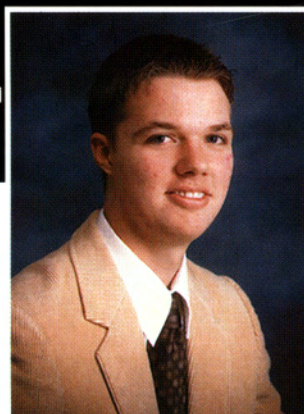
Who? Haley Banks

What? Kinesiology, Physical Therapist/
Trainer for kids

Where? Hope College

Why? "They have a good kinesiology
department, and I visited the college and
it's really pretty and they had a lot to offer."

How? "I'm looking for scholarships and
will be working."



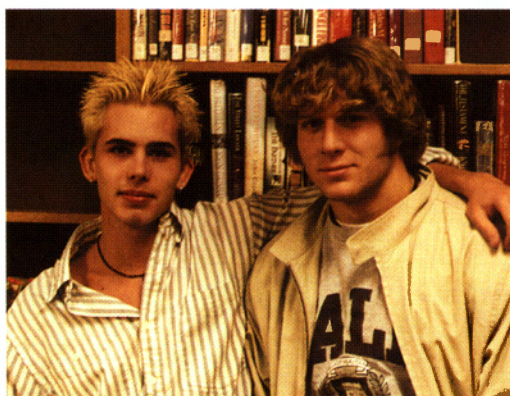
Who? Paul O'Berry

What? Doctor

Where? Albion College

Why? "I visited and it was nice and
small. It had good food."

How? "I'm going to apply for financial
aid and scholarships, and I'll probably end
up robbing a couple of banks."



Who? Cole Malatinsky

What? Radiologist

Where? Michigan State University,
Yale, Harvard, or Hope College

Why? "Ivy League schools have good
education."

How? "I'm applying for scholarships
and financial aid."

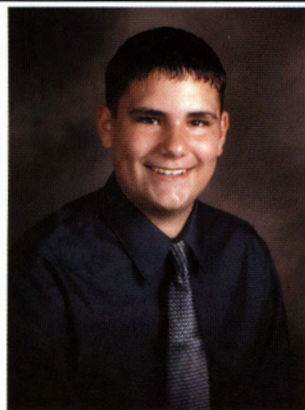
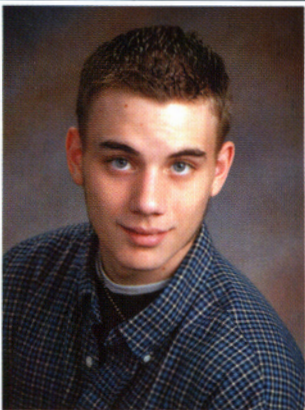
Who? Sarah Berry

What? Missionary

Where? Masters Commission College,
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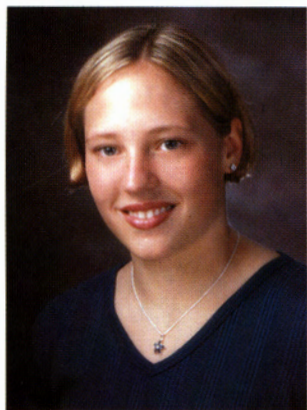
Why? "I've heard good things about it.
My friend went there, and I mean... it's
FLORIDA!"

How? "I'm paying for half and my
parents are paying for half."



Osterhouse Overton Parker

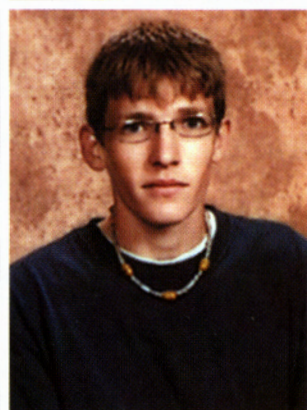
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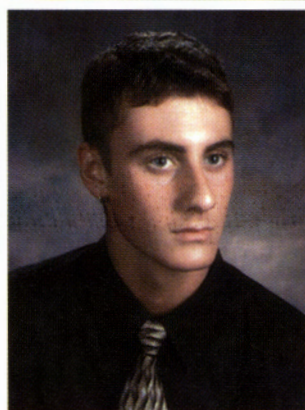
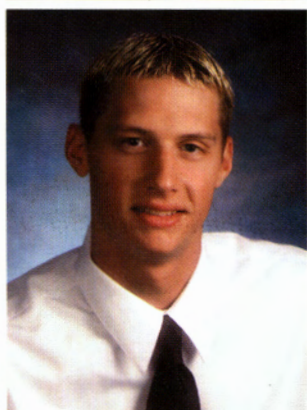
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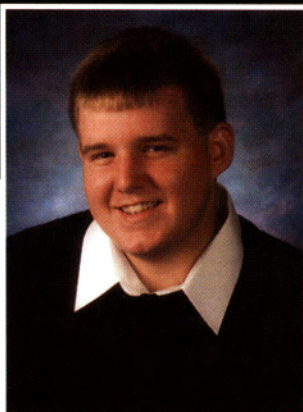
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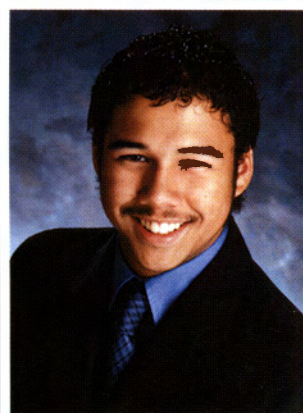
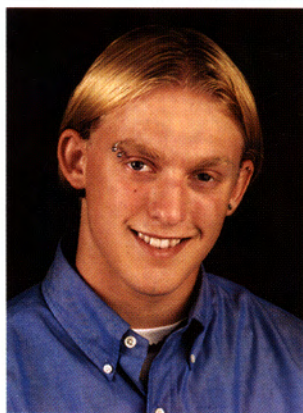
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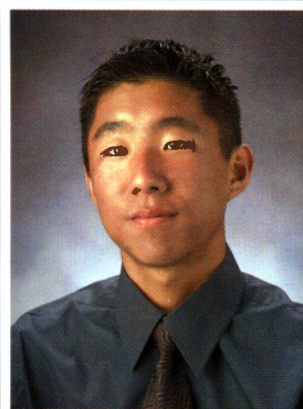
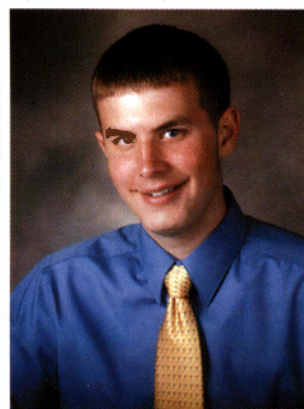
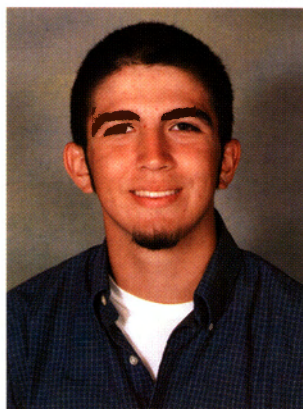
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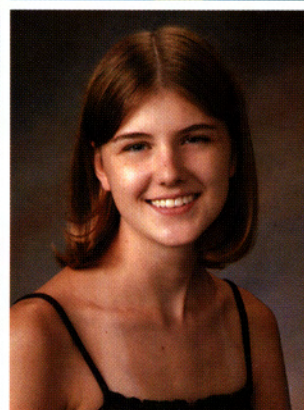
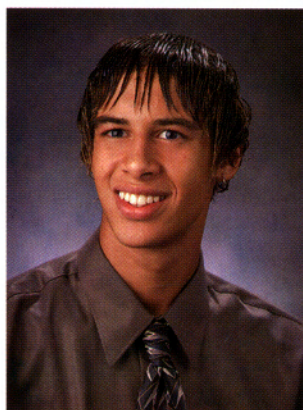
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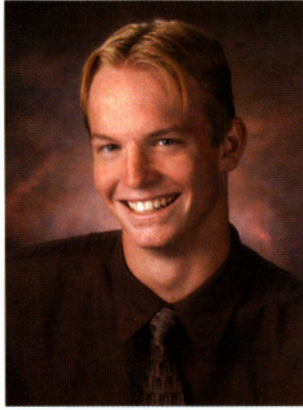
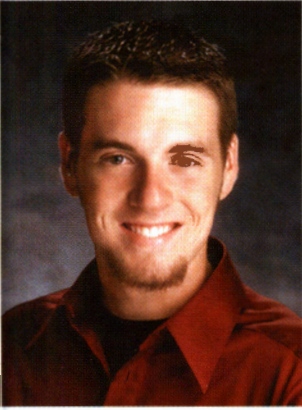
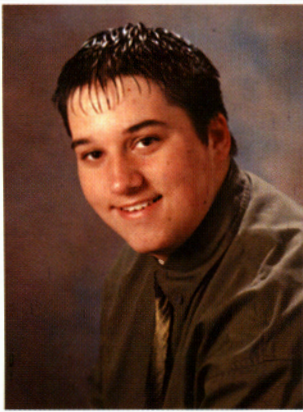


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Adolescent Perplexities

by Jessica DeRosa
& Tandee Ireland



Many AP students, like Holly Nelson and Mark Polzin (above) in *Hello Dolly* and Jessica Schouten (right) in volleyball juggle around their schedules to fit in other extracurricular activities. Many, like Tracy Wilburn (below) at the PAL Overnight, find that caffeine is a helpful substance to get them through class. Photos by Danielle Burt, Jessica DeRosa, and Holly Nelson



Have you ever thought so hard the wheel in your head kept spinning faster and faster and the hamster fell off? Seniors experience this daily as their thoughts are pushed beyond the limit. "In AP classes the thinking is more advanced. The homework and everything else is the same, but is more time consuming due to the thought process," said senior Tracy Wilburn.

AP teachers explain to students that there is always

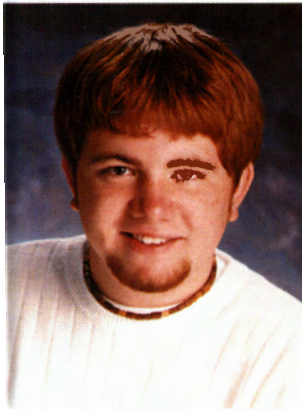
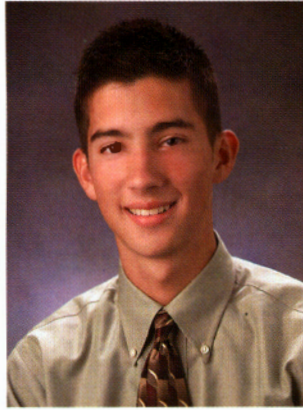
more to a concept than meets the eye.

"I try to teach a lot of different ways because people learn differently. I spend a lot of time talking and answering

"The more preparation for college you have, the better off you'll be"

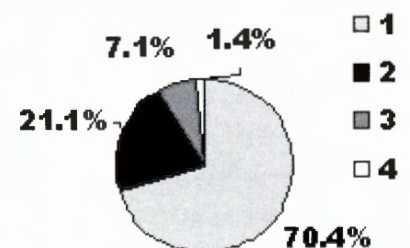
questions," said AP Statistics teacher Mike Lehman.

Each concept is linked together and is needed to understand the next. "We talk a lot about ideas more than anything. The teachers make sure we understand the key ones," said senior Chris Richards. Although many people look at AP classes with terror, it's encouraging to know that one can get ahead on college and push themselves to the next level. "The more preparation for college you have the better off you'll be," said senior Racquel Ankney.



Can you handle the pressure? How many AP classes do you have?

AP classes can cause a lot of stress, which senior Steve Wulff releases by playing the drums. Photo by Danielle Burt



Predicting the Future

by Anna Martinez

Remember the MASH game from elementary school? We're taking you on a walk down memory lane to help you predict your future after high school.

First, draw a spiraling circle in the box below. Then, count the number of rings between the outside and center of the circle. Now count each item around the box and cross off the item with the same number as the number of rings you drew. Keep counting and you'll eventually end up with a prediction of your future home, car, spouse, and family.

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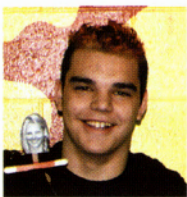
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Predictions



**Paul
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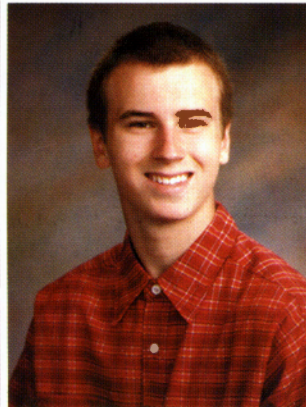
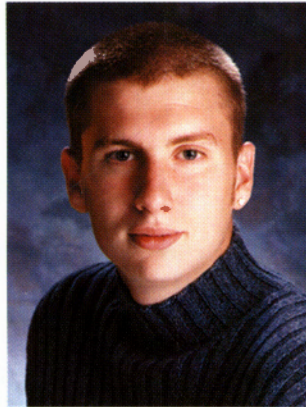
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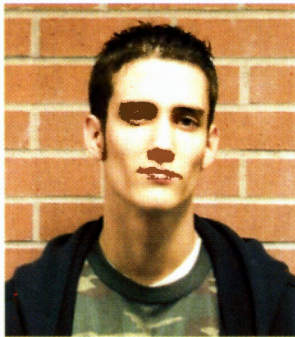
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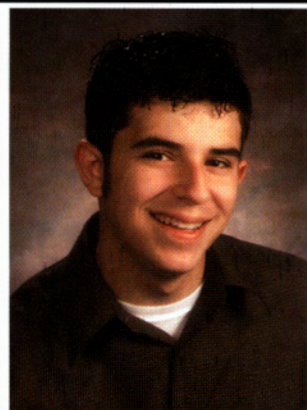


Will You Attend Your Ten Year Reunion?

I probably will not come to the reunion. I will be in a different state with my own restaurant and living it up!
~Kevin Jackson

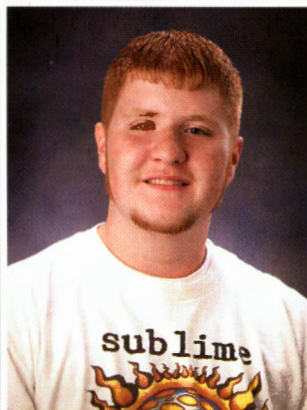
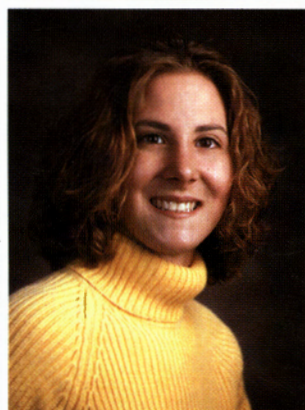


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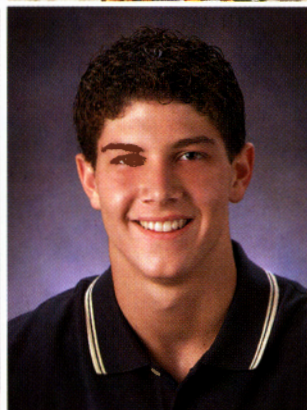
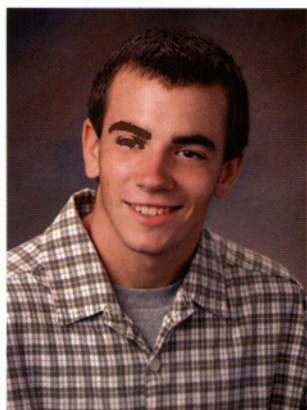


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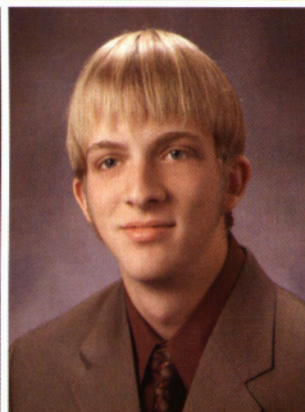
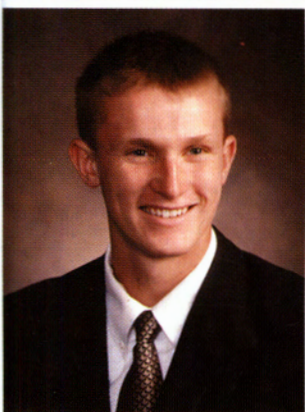
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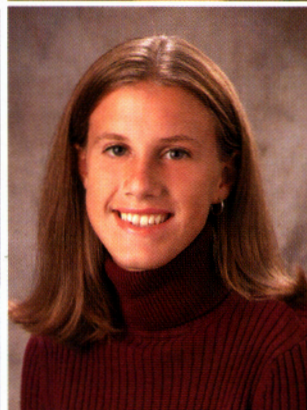
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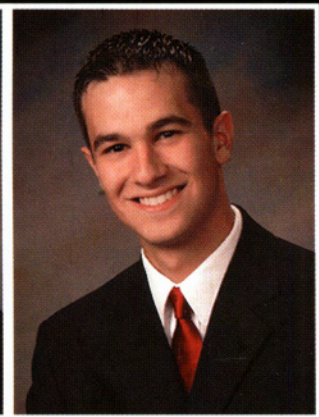
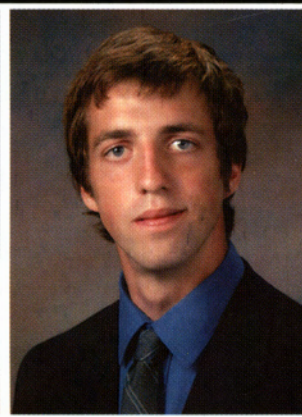
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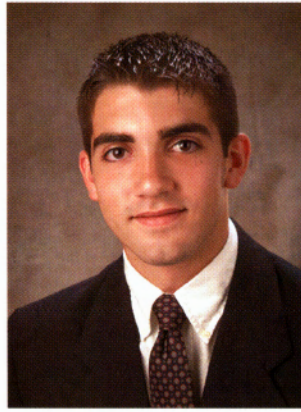
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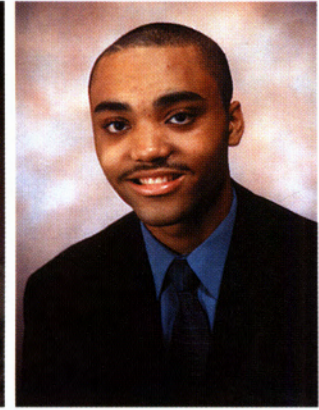
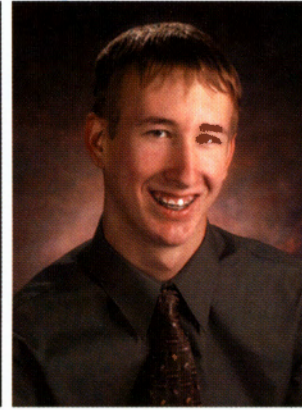
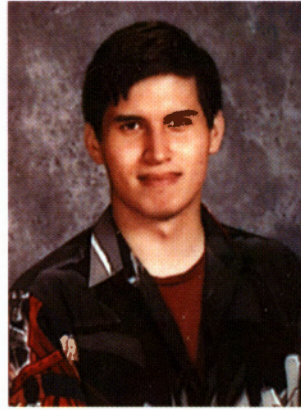
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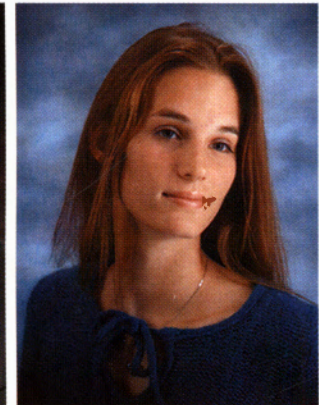
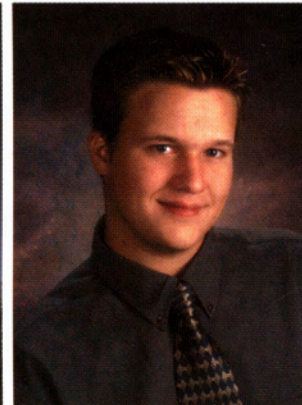
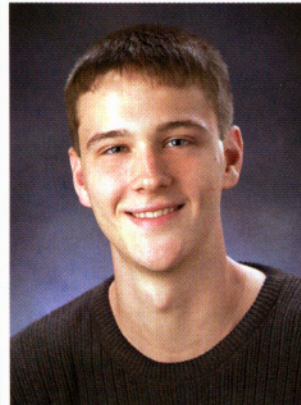
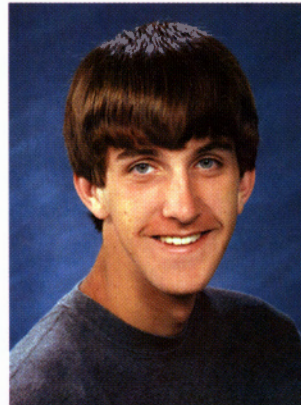
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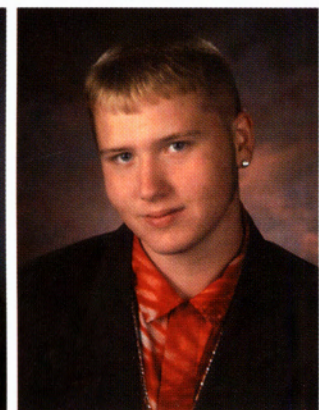
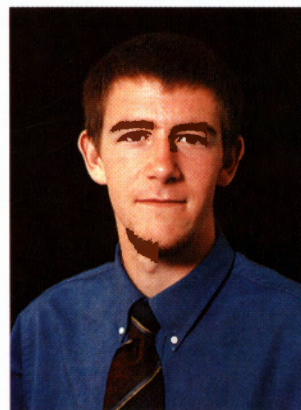
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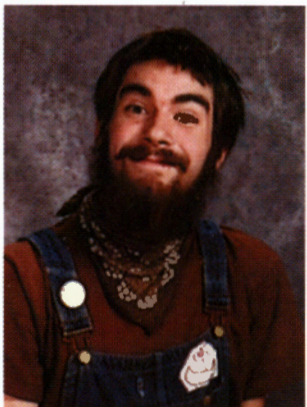
Parade of Memories

by Jennie Andrews



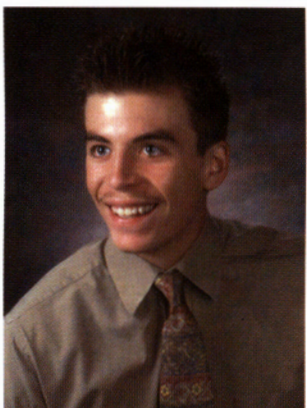
I remember I told my mom I wasn't a good angel. I hated wearing the white tights, so I tried to take them off; and my mom yelled at me and made me leave them on.

~ Sarah Darley



When I was four my dad and I were trick-or-treating and at the next-door neighbors. My dad tripped over the step and scraped up his face and that was the end of Halloween that year.

~ Ben Siebert



My pumpkin costume was so big that we had to stuff the whole costume with pillows so that it wouldn't fall off of me.

~ Jessica Schouten



Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles was my favorite cartoon show then, that's why I wanted to be a Ninja Turtle; and that night I ate so much candy my teeth started to hurt.

~ Cliff Kusmierz



Magically Delicious

by Jennifer Cooke

It's the ripped and blood-stained t-shirt you wear while watching the football game or the sparkly pencil that you use while taking a quiz or the worn out troll doll that your mom almost threw out last month...

Many seniors cling to superstitions or lucky charms that bring them good fortune for their last year in high school, so we asked them...

What's your lucky charm?



"My lucky charm is a McDonalds plastic chicken nugget. One day it got kicked up in a tree. It was up there for a full year, and it came down one windy day. It was all scratched up, so I knew it was mine," said **Emily Wise**.

Photo by Jennifer Cooke

"I don't believe in luck. I believe in fate, purpose, and destiny," says senior **Justin Pierce**.

Photo by Jennifer Cooke



"My lucky charm is a blue Adidas sweatband that I bought in Mexico while I lived there. I feel weird when I don't wear it while playing [soccer]. I also wear the same white t-shirt with the armpits ripped out and bloodstains on the back. I wrote 'Playing for the fun of kicking butt' on it," said **Jared Gates**. *Photo by Jennifer Cooke*

Do you believe in luck?

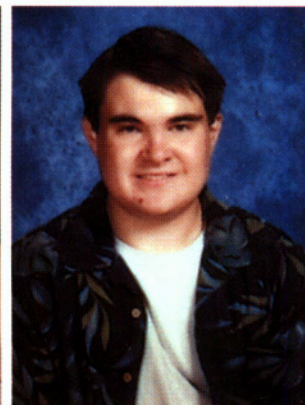
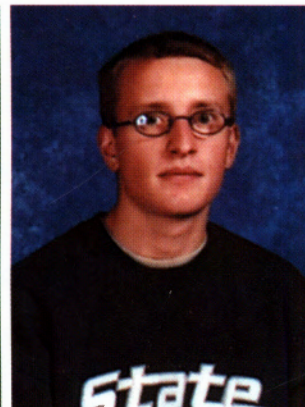
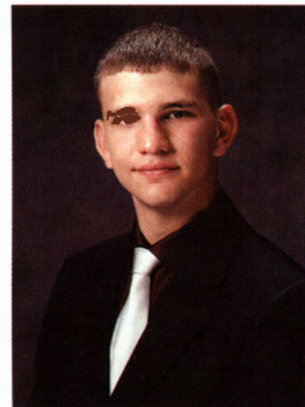
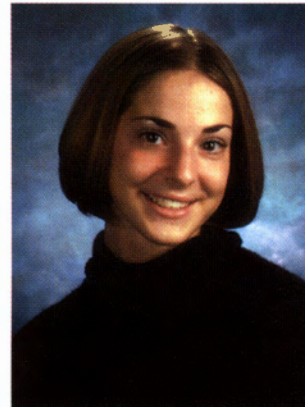
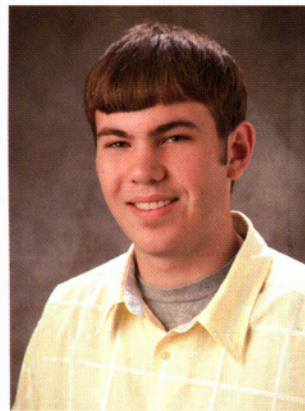
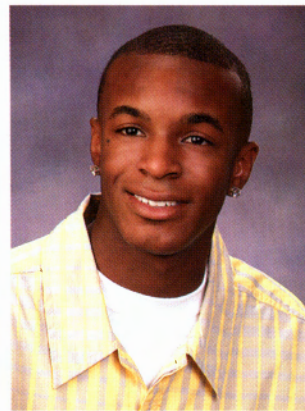
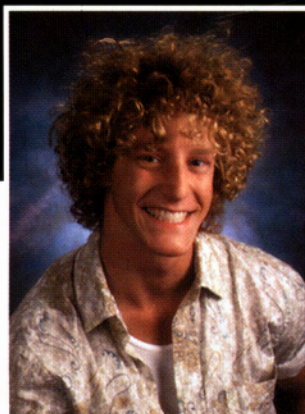
There are some things you just can't explain, they just happen for a reason.
~**Lindsay Longdo**



38% No
62% Yes

"Who stole my lucky charms?"

The class of 2003 doesn't need to worry about anyone stealing their lucky charms with the good fortune of seniors **Ryan Carpenter** and **Joe Becsey**. *Photo by Holly Nelson*



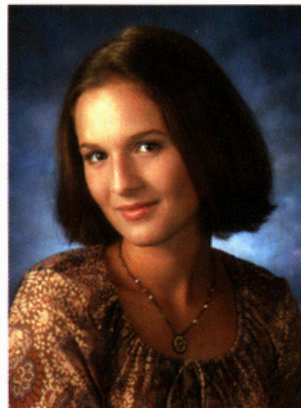


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Jason Wimberly
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Answers from pg. 6

Ondrea Job
Jennie Andrews
Chris Kirby
Erin Hill
Josh Roznowski
Katie Barens

Any student you ask would agree that summer is the best time of the year. With nice cool breezes and loads of sunshine, some students are able to unwind from the busy grind of the school year.

But others have different plans. Lots of students fill their summers with activities such as football practice, cheerleading or band camp, and vacations. In addition to these activities, students also spend their time sweating the summer away with jobs. Of course, having a job and working anywhere from three hours a day to twelve hours a day means time away from playtime in the sun. However,

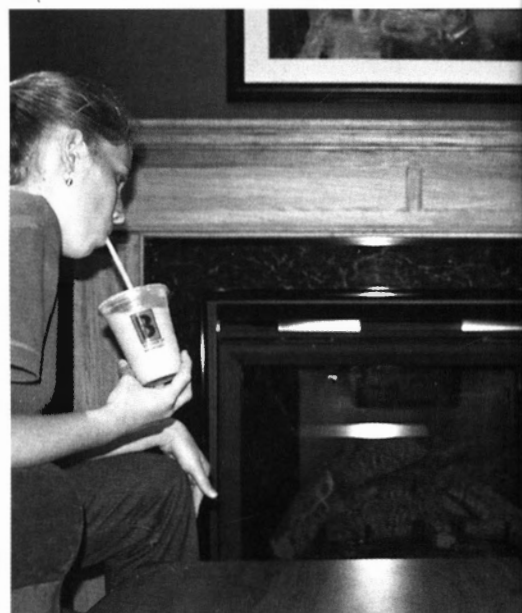
Summer

by Katie Ross

Sweat

it may be worth it if you get paid well enough. For example, senior Cassie Monette babysat a seventh-grader and a fifth-grader for eight hours a day over the summer, earning \$275 a week!

There's no doubt about it: whether they're working at Sweet Sensations, sweating through Valhalla Park at cross country practice, or learning new skills at a summer writing camp, our students find a way to maximize their few months away from school.



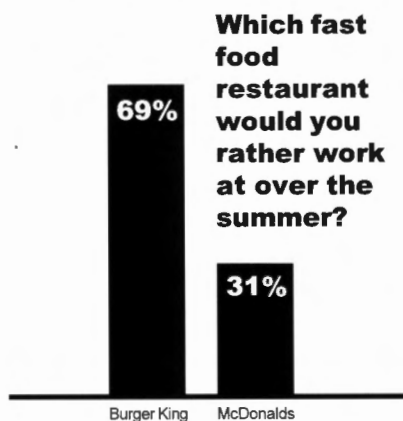


Seniors Jessica Sadler and Kristine Levondosky relax on Shipbottom Beach in Longbeach Island, New Jersey, for their summer vacation. "I've been going there since I was born, and this year I brought my best friend," Levondosky said. *Photo by Brad Levondosky.*

At Beaner's for a yearbook meeting over the summer, senior editors **Ashley Loveall** and **Jennifer Cooke** sip Mango Bangos in front of the fireplace. The yearbook staff met to plan their theme and coverage for the 2003 book. "Unfortunately, the theme we worked on over the summer didn't end up becoming the theme this year, but it was still fun to get together," said Cooke. *Photo by Danielle Burt*



Many students find summer employment at fast food chains, so we asked the school:



Working 9^{to}5



All for \$5.50 an hour, junior **Kelly Fenstermaker** worked at Fat Boy's Pizza making pizzas. She also answered phones. *Photo by Katie Ross*

Senior Tommy Terrill was occupied this summer working at the Blimpie spot earning \$8.00 an hour making subs. *Photo by Katie Ross*



Junior Mandy Seehase spent six to eight hours a day working at Menard's. She made \$8.50 an hour working as a cashier. *Photo by Katie Ross*

Senior Adam Forist spent twelve hours of his time a day working for Lansing Mason Ambulance as an EMT and a dispatcher. He made \$9.00 an hour. *Photo by Katie Ross*



As a coffee and food maker, junior **Celeste Malkowski** worked at Cozy Cup for \$5.75 an hour, working around three hours a day. *Photo by Katie Ross*

Working for Schram Auto Parts twelve hours a day and earning \$8.00 an hour, sophomore **Jeff Sonnenburg** worked in the warehouse. *Photo by Katie Ross*



What's so exciting about what you do?

Wakeboarding is a way to go out and express yourself in an extreme sport and you get to hang out with cool people.

~Shawn Adams

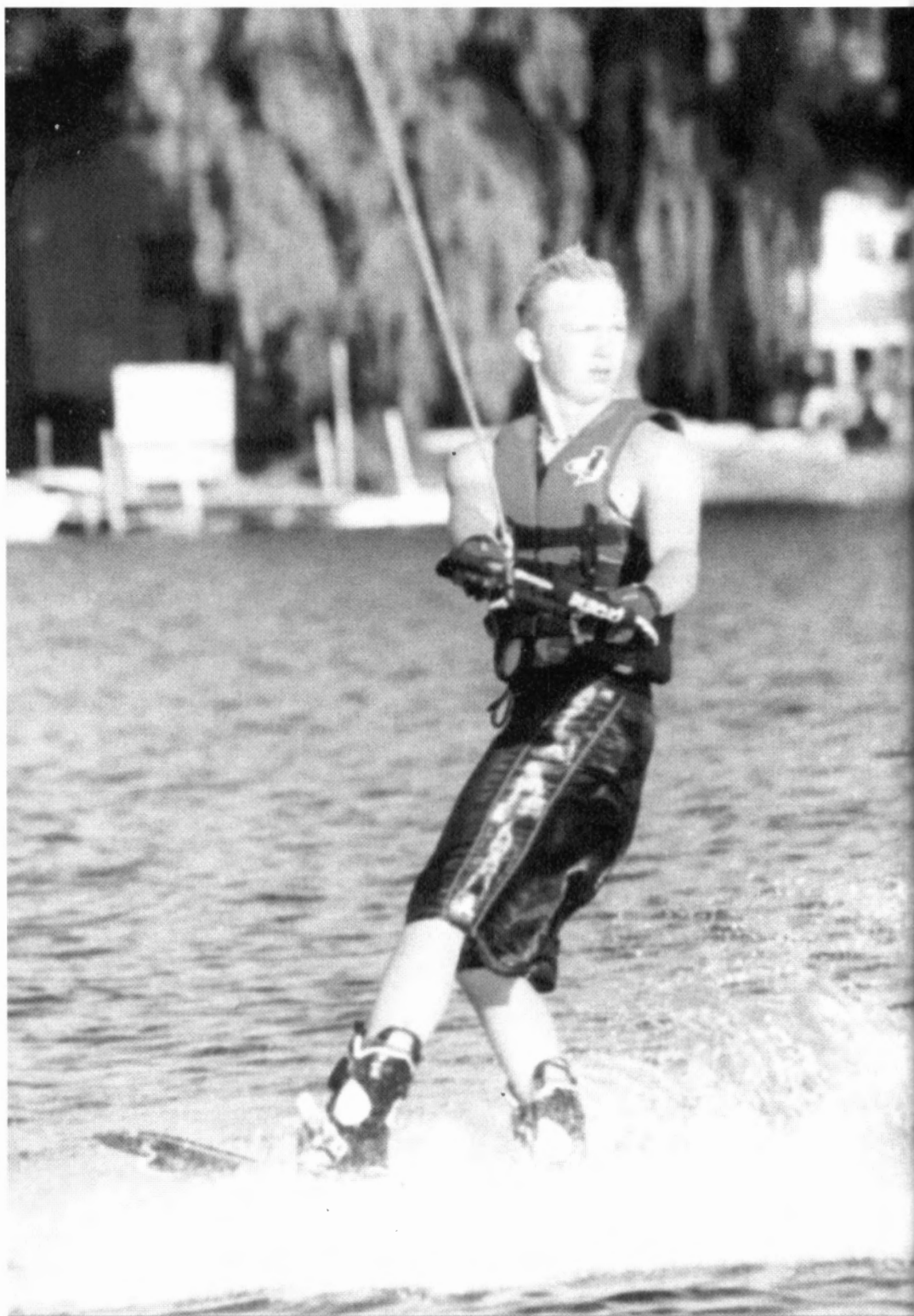
The Rip Cord was really scary but a lot of fun, and I'd do it again in an instant.

~Katie Dillon

Biking is a nice thing to do with your friends.

~Nelson Jones

3,2,1 Fly! As they get pulled up juniors **Beth Keyes, Eve Ayala, and Katie Dillon** get ready to glide through the air on the rip cord. *Photo courtesy of Cedar Point*



Adrenaline

Ripping through the water, taking a break from all the jumping, sophomore **Shawn Adams** enjoys wakeboarding over the summer. *Courtesy photo*

Flying through the air with nothing but a bike to hold onto, senior **Nelson Jones** shows off his skills. *Courtesy photo*



Siblings ski together: side by side senior **Zack Templin** and sophomore **Ali Templin** ski through the water during their summer vacation on Glen Lake. *Photo by Brian Templin*

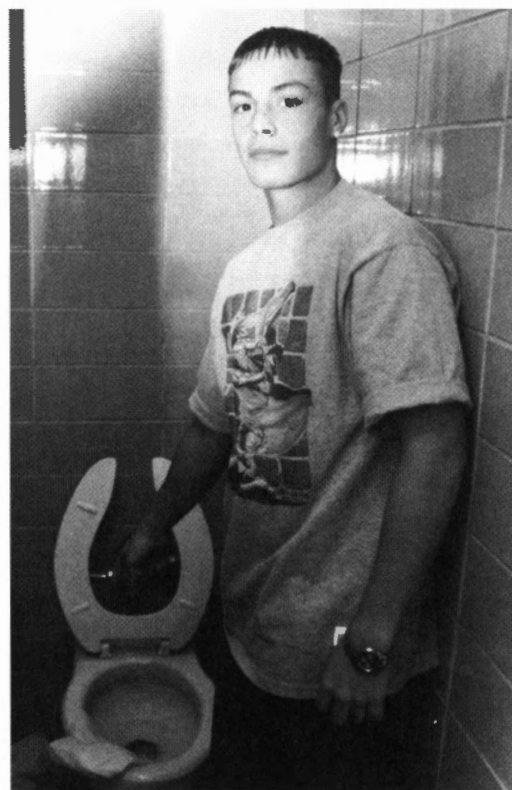


Rush

by eve ayala

Toilet Combustion

Fireworks explode in many places on Independence Day: backyards, ballparks and...*bathrooms*? They do if you are Garret Peterman, a junior who celebrated a very odd Fourth of July. He went to his girlfriend Amy's house and had always wanted to put a firecracker in the toilet. "Nothing happened before," he said. Amy told Garret not to, but as he walked out of the bathroom with a smirk on his face they both heard a big "BANG!" As Garret explained "It was an underwater bomb and it must've went into the pipes and blown up." He thought it would be cool, but when he went into the bathroom, the toilet had a big hole in it. As he laughed in shock, he decided to never tell her parents how it happened. When her parents got home, Amy told them it was like that when she went in there and she didn't know how it happened. They concluded that the toilet must have blown up from too much toilet paper because not too long before then the toilet was plugged. Her parents thought they had fixed it but they guessed they hadn't. Garret spent the rest of his Fourth of July calling around and pricing toilets.



Standing next to a toilet junior **Garret Peterman** contemplates his unique summer. Let's hope he doesn't blow up this one! *Photo by Shawn Jackson*

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PLEYTE

A SEMESTER IN GERMANY

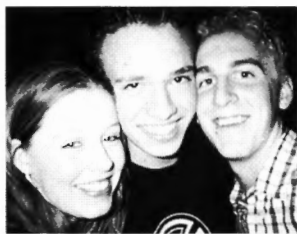
Not only did we have exchange students from different countries, but so did Germany. Our own Michael Pleyte went to Meisenheim, Germany, to experience life in a different way.

Mike Pleyte stayed in Meisenheim, Germany, for five and a half months. "I wanted to experience a different culture and go somewhere else without my parents so I could be on my own," said Pleyte. Going into a different country also means meeting new people. While Mike stayed in Germany he lived with a single mother who is a translator and speaks eight different languages and he also had a 13-year-old brother. "It was cool because I got to go to the same school as my brother, and I also got to go to a lot of family events, like cookouts and get togethers," said Pleyte.

Not only was the country different, but so was the lifestyle. Pleyte explained, "Stores close around 4:00p.m, and over there you don't have 24 hour stores like we do here." Pleyte said his favorite memory was Christmas; "I really enjoyed Christmas, it is celebrated on the 24th instead of the 25th like in America. That was really cool!"

Mike plans to go and visit his family back in June. "These people are who I consider my lifelong friends and I love them as if they were my own family." Mike says that he would recommend this because it was such a learning experience for him and it was a lot of fun.

At a get together at a friend's house, **Mike** takes time to pose with his friend, **Julian** who he goes to school with and **Julian's** girlfriend. Photo by Mike Pleyte



Hanging out on a beautiful day are, Mike, his younger host brother and his friend, Julian. "These people have become family to me," says Mike. Courtesy Photo

Rock climbing is one of the fun events that Mike enjoyed. "I was in Northern Germany in the mountains and it was such a great experience!" explained Pleyte. Courtesy Photo



Are those shoe stockings? In Germany they don't have the regular Christmas stockings that hangs from the fireplace, they have shoes and get those filled with Christmas goodies. Photo by Mike Pleyte

While eating some french fries and a hamburger, friends **Clemens Winkler** and **Xava Yang** still find time to chit chat. Photo by Shawn Jackson



**AS THEY FLY FROM A DIFFERENT COUNTRY OVER
THE SEAS OR LAND, EXCHANGE STUDENTS ARE
COMING TO...**

A Whole

new world

by anna martinez

from Germany to Japan many students that came from different countries pretty much all came for the same reason, to learn more about the culture and the way of living an American lifestyle. "I wanted to learn a new language for the future. I thought that America could show me many different cultures, and I also wanted to have my own opinion about America and not just what people and the television said," commented senior Maja Frick from Germany.

Ever since September 11th, Muslim people in America have been more likely to be discriminated against. In Germany the same kind of feelings were also true. "It was a rough time for all of us because not only were Muslims dealing with America, they were dealing with Germany," explained junior Jennifer Piasieczny from Germany.

The impact of September 11 could be seen at the airport, too. Maja Frick said, "I was afraid of the people who checked me. I felt that my privacy was invaded. They were really rude and made me take off my shoes, and the worst part was when I noticed that I forgot my Visa and they had guns!" The students were not all that afraid of flying. Senior Kirsten Herstroem said, "I didn't think about the flying and all of the September 11th stuff until my eight hour flight from Norway landed. Then I had to go through three searches which were kind of scary."

As some students came to learn about the American culture others wanted to shop and try new food. "I wanted to see all the different shopping centers and taste some real American food. I really like hamburgers, those are really good!" said senior Yuko Uechi.

Learning about America and having a great experience were top priority for these students. In the end it seems that they all got what they wanted.

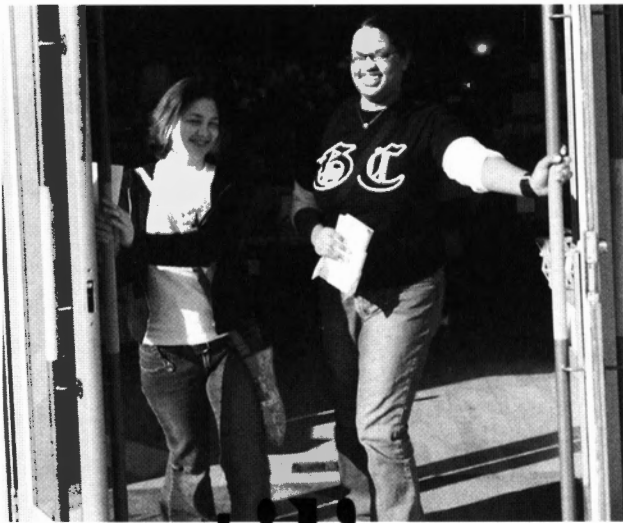
Busting through the doors of the Pottery Barn are seniors Caitlin Rogell and Kristin McCulloh. The girls had just finished picking out different pottery items to decorate their rooms with.

Photo by Jenny Christensen

Travel out to the Eastwood Town center and...

Shop til' you drop

by kelly briggs and jenny christensen



Choosing from over 60 stores and restaurants, Caitlin and Kristin decide what store they want to shop at next. The Towne Center has 20 clothing stores along with over 10 places to dine.

Photo by Jenny Christensen

Senior Kristin McCulloh reads one of the many selections at Schuler Book and Music store. Schuler's is located directly across from Dick's Sporting Goods and near DSW Shoe Warehouse.

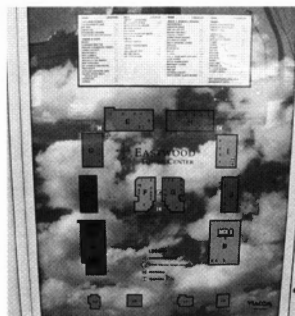
Photo by Jenny Christensen



Have you experienced the new addition to the Lansing area? The Eastwood Towne Center opened the summer of 2002. It has brought many new stores to the area that weren't here before. Some of the new stores include Pottery Barn which has house decor, Forever 21 which is a popular clothing store for teen girls, Dicks Sporting Goods which features a lot of sporting goods and clothing, and Williams Sonoma which has high quality gourmet cooking supplies.

Stores in the Eastwood Towne center offer many job opportunities for local students. For example, junior Beth Keyes works at American Eagle. Maggie Moo's employs seniors D.J. Joncheere, Jessie Horn, and Keith Shotwell. Also seniors Sara Durkee and Lindsay Fisher work at Max and Erma's as hostesses and busers.

The Towne Center has room for expansion. You might see some new stores being built within the next couple of years. There has been talk of a Wal-Mart being put in. The new mall has brought a lot of new business to the Lansing area. The hopes are that it will continue in this fashion.



This map is located near Talbots, which has just recently opened. The way the buildings were built were for easier access and shorter walking distances to each store.

Photo by Jenny Christensen



Where do you shop?

| | |
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| American Eagle: | 23% |
| Forever 21: | 44% |
| Williams Sonoma: | 5% |
| Dick's Sporting Goods: | 11% |
| Aeropostale: | 17% |

Accompanying senior Caitlin Rogell while she reads a book about George Washington, is Curious George. The two read together in Schuler Books and Music. Schuler's is one of the bigger stores in the Towne Center.

Photo by Jenny Christensen



Located near the NCG Cinema is Coldwater Creek, Old Thyme Herbs, Yankee Candle, and Williams Sonoma. The NCG Cinema opened in November of 2002.

Photo by Jenny Christensen

Jobs

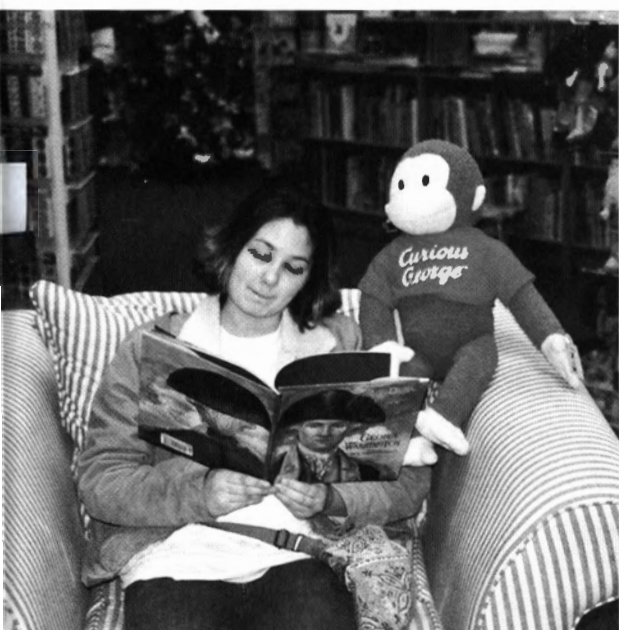
The Eastwood Towne center is one of the hottest places to work. Hear the inside scoop from students who know...



Sometimes things get messy when I bus tables, but I really like my job because I meet lots of new people.
~ Lindsay Fisher



I really like to work at American Eagle because I get 50% off everything in the store.
~ Beth Keyes



Some times they make me dress up in a cow costume. It's really fun and it attracts customers.
~ DJ Joncheere

Sleeping

by Katie Ross and Raquel Llimas

with pals

As a yearly ritual, Peer Assistance Listeners come together as a group to stay the whole night at the high school. This time is used productively at first: planning the year ahead and how they will help improve the school. Then, the fun part begins: bonding! They do things like exploring the tunnels, walking the catwalk, playing hide and seek, and staying up all night. "It's the third time this year going through tunnels," senior Chris Richards admitted about his adventure.

Having this opportunity for PALs to come together as a group has made them more open with each other, a very valuable experience since PALs serve as listening ears and role models for their peers. PALs look forward to this event every year as a way to become closer with the newer PALs, as well as reuniting with former PALs. The overnight event will continue yearly as a PAL tradition.



just the facts:

how much did you actually sleep?

"I didn't actually sleep at all, we stayed up all night running around the school playing hide and go seek," says sophomore **Korbi Bare.**

Photo by Holly Nelson



"I ended up going home early enough to sleep because I had a big day ahead of me," replied senior **Serena Bearman.**

Photo by Holly Nelson



"SLEEP! How can you sleep when your having so much fun?" admits senior **Robi Bare.**

Photo by Holly Nelson



"I have been there three times this year, and every time I go I never sleep," says **Ryan Bogle.**

Photo by Holly Nelson



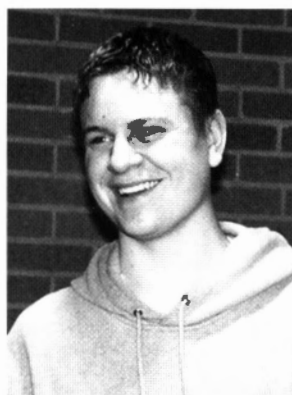


Senior Chris Richards explores new sections of the high school while playing hide and seek with his pals at the summer overnight. *Photo by Holly Nelson*

All trying to stay awake in the early hours of the morning are PALS **Chris Richards, Ryan Bogle, Nikole Jones, Korbi Bare, Tracy Wilburn, and Robi Bare.** *Photo by Holly Nelson*

traveling performers

Samantha Martin and Ryan Collins



Junior Ryan Collins auditioned over the telephone and is more than happy to be one of 86 people selected for the trip to Europe out of 3,000. *Photo By Raquel Llinas*

"I was really nervous [over the phone] because they only selected sixteen men," admitted junior Ryan Collins who sang "Passing By" by Purcell. Collins is now one of those sixteen men to have the chance to travel to Blue Lake Camp where he will stay for the first week. After the first week, Collins will fly for eight hours all the way across the ocean to Europe. This will take place June 13 through July 5 in 2003. Collins says that he'll miss his family and friends the most, but also that anyone who gets the chance to go should take it. After high school, Collins plans to attend college at Central Michigan for vocal music.



Junior Samantha Martin is excited to be one of the only two students from Holt High School to audition for the Blue Lake Internationals. *Photo by Raquel Llinas*

packing checklist

- ☐ **Puffy (stuffed dog)**
- ☐ **3 Instruments**
- ☐ **3 Uniforms**
- ☐ **Bottled Water**
- ☐ **Sheet Music**
- ☐ **Contacts**
- ☐ **Favorite PJ's**

Camp craze

designed by Ashley Loveall & Danielle Burt
travel log by Serena Bearman

a summer well spent

While some students lounged beside the pool or woke up at noon to watch daytime television all summer, senior Serena Bearman traveled with the Key Club to California to enjoy five fun days at the International Convention.

July 3, 2002

I'm sure no one wants to get up at 4 a.m. no matter what the occasion, but with the motivation of getting on a plane to Southern California with 2,000 other teenagers for five days of fun, who would stay in bed?

My trip started by meeting up with my fellow Holt Key Club Convention-goers Ryan Collins, Katie Covello and Jason Briggs. We car-pooled to the Detroit Airport, where we met up with more Key Club people from across the state of Michigan. After going through the long security process, we took our direct flight and arrived in the in the early afternoon in the smothering heat.

When we got to the hotel, we had to immediately go to our officer forums- which is like an officer training session. I met with other state secretaries there and learned all about my duties for the year.

In the evening, we attended the opening session. In a huge ballroom, over 2,000 people gathered to win awards and find out about what was in store for the rest of our convention. We also traded pins with people from other "Districts", which is a state or a group of states, e.x. the Michigan District is almost the entire state of Michigan.

Following the session was a get-acquainted dance, but most of us from Michigan were so tired that we went swimming to relax and went to bed right after our first nightly 11:45 p.m. meeting with the Michigan Key Clubbers.

July 4, 2002

The only planned convention activities for this day was caucus, basically a time for campaigning. All delegates from Michigan sat in a room and listened to people's speeches and asked questions. It sounds a little boring, but we got creative with the questions such as "Compare Key Club to a tomato", and we planned pranks on the people running, such as moving to another seat when they said a certain word like "communication".

In the afternoon, we had free time in which most convention-goers took the opportunity to go to Disneyland or Disney's California Adventure. I was lucky enough to get a deal on a park-hopper pass, so I went to both.

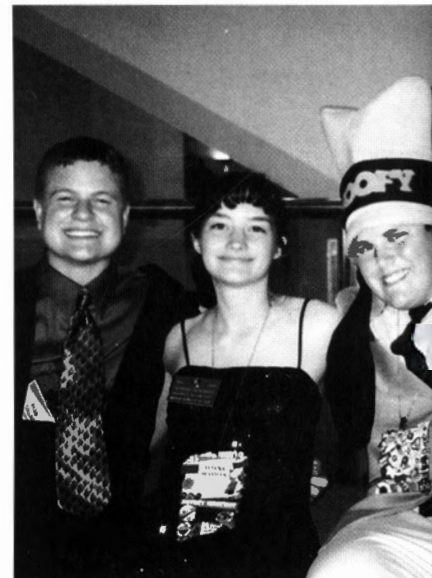
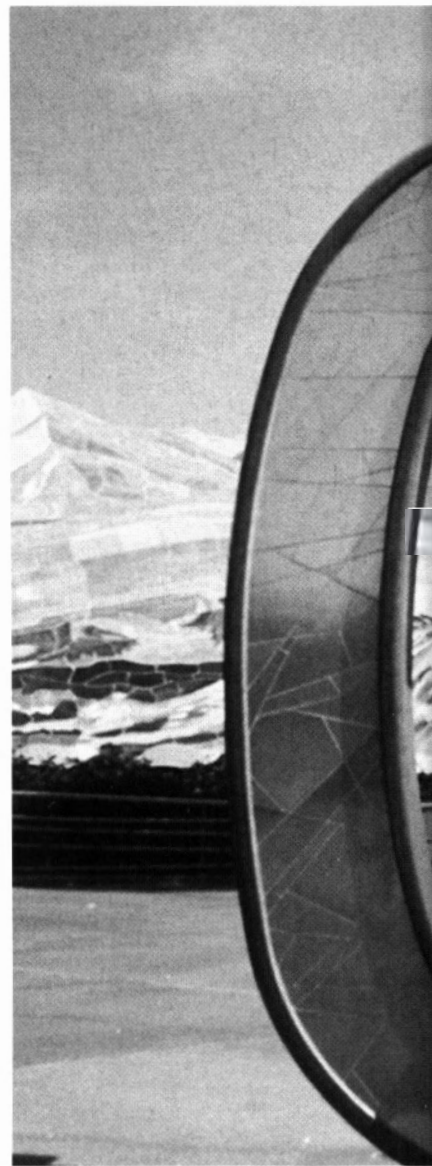
Even though us Holt Key Clubbers came to convention together, we wanted some time to hang out with other people, so I went around the parks with my friends from H.H. Dow High School in Midland, Michigan who also hold state-wide positions. I enjoyed the fireworks from Disneyland.

July 5, 2002

Unfortunately, with my position I had some duties during the convention, such as getting up an hour earlier than everyone else to attend a special "Nominating Conference." This was where they narrowed down the list of International Candidates in response to votes cast after the caucusing the day before.

There was also a "Service Fair" taking place for a few hours. Different Districts (states) set up tables and explained some main projects that they do. It was cool being able to get ideas on new service projects at this first annual event.

Another general session was held, where more awards were given out. On this night, they had some amazing jugglers put on a performance. It was a lot of fun and a nice end to a not very demanding day.



Juniors Ryan Collins, Jason Briggs, Katie Covello and senior Serena Bearman are all dressed up before the "President's Ball" semi-formal dance at the Key Club convention in California. Courtesy Photo



July 6, 2002

This was one of the busiest days while we were in California. In the morning, we had the House of Delegates, the time that everyone dreads. We sat in a room with 200 other delegates to vote on our Key Club International Board and vote on amendments. There was a big controversy over raising the dues which held up the time that we were there.

Luckily, after lunch we had something to pick up our spirits by attending forums. Katie Covello and I went to the "Making club meetings fun" one where a crazy advisor from Minnesota dressed up as a flamingo and gave us tons of ideas for peping up club meetings.

A third general session was held, where talent and oratorical contests winners performed as well as more award presentations and the announcement of our new International Board.

In the evening, all attending Key Clubbers from Michigan got together for a group picture (77 people total). We were all dressed up for the formal/semi-formal Governor's Ball where we danced the night away.

July 7, 2002

Even though it was the last day, we had to attend another session, which was a very sad one because everyone was saying goodbye. We were happy to have been able to meet new people, but it was hard knowing that we would probably never see them again if they were from other states, or even countries.

After the session a big group of Michigan people went to the Rainforest Cafe for a quick dinner, then we packed up and got ready for our flight. Trying to fit in all our souvenirs was very tough, believe me!

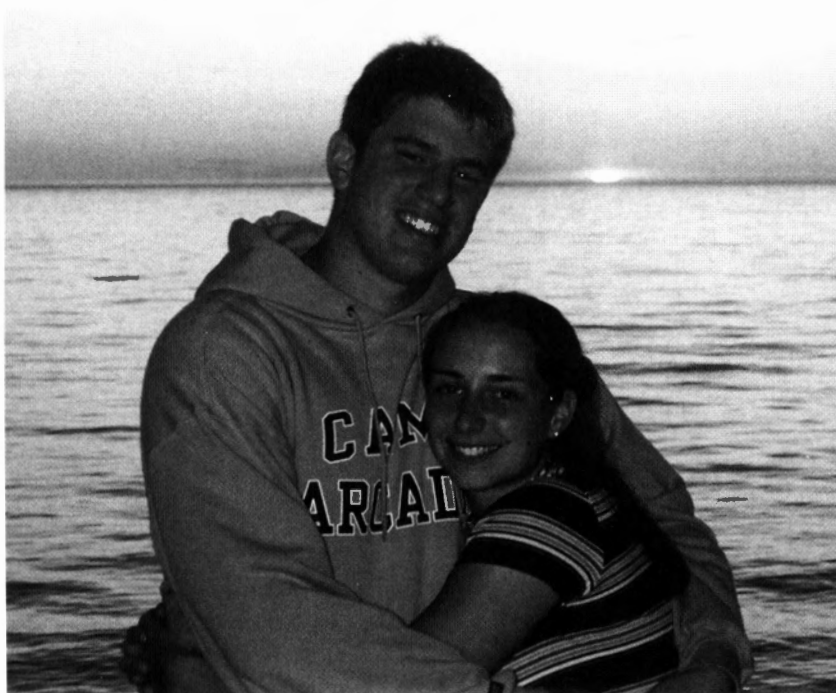
We had to go on an overnight flight (it's called "red eye" for a reason), and got to stop in Las Vegas. I got yelled at because I took a picture sitting at a slot machine, I didn't know it was illegal, really.

When we got back to the Detroit airport, we were tired but full of awesome memories from our trip to California.

The trip was a great experience. Not only did I meet a lot of caring, fun people, but I also became friends with my fellow District Board members, people I would work with for the rest of the year... it was a vacation that I'll never forget.

Senior Serena Bearman and junior **Katie Covello** sit on the C of the California sign in front of California Adventures.
Courtesy Photo

Team bonding and dedication to practice came together during camp for the tennis team. The team went to Ferris State University for a week of hard work and fun. *Courtesy Photo*



Seniors and good friends, Andy Sohn and **Andria McCabe** embrace each other in front of Lake Michigan at Camp Arcadia this past summer. While McCabe attended for the first time, it was Sohn's fourth year at the camp. *Photo by Leah Maier*



The dance team gets together for a photo after completing a competition at dance camp. *Courtesy Photo*

On foreign soil

You walk through a set of double doors and look around: all the faces are unfamiliar, the twisting hallways are strange... your heart pounds, your hands sweat, panic sets in.

No, this isn't a nightmare. Rather it is the sensation that a new student might feel when entering Holt High School for the first time. PALs (Peer Assistance Listeners) is a club that tries to make new students feel at home more quickly. PALs provide new students with folders that include maps of the school and surrounding community, coupons for free donuts during nutrition break, and a summary of school policies. PALs also take students on a tour of the building. Rampages staffer David Dionise went undercover with PAL Robi Bare to find out what it is like to be a new student from the inside perspective.

First, Bare and her "new student" looked at his schedule, then she helped him find his classes. After that, they looked for his locker and practiced the combination. "Teaching new students how to use lockers can be kind of hard," said Bare. After the lesson on lockers, she showed him the "hot spots" of the building, like the library and cafeteria.

By this time, most of the touring is done and they can just talk and get to know one another. Naturally, the first topic of conversation is PALs. They tell what it is about and what they do; then PALs talk about the unique aspects of the school, like nutrition break and Wednesday mornings. Finally, they lead into things like each other's interests just to get to know each other.

When the tour and discussion is complete, PALs try to be friends to the new students by talking to them in the halls, looking for them at lunch, or just making sure that they have a warm welcome to Holt.

Mike Norris

Previous school?

J.W. Sexton High School

Why did you decide to go to Holt schools?

"I had to move to Holt because my parents wanted me to get out of Lansing schools."

What is different about Holt and your previous school?

"At Sexton there is a lot more diversity than there is at Holt."

What was your first impression of Holt?

"My first impression of Holt was that I thought there were a lot of cliques within all the students."

Who was most helpful in showing you around?

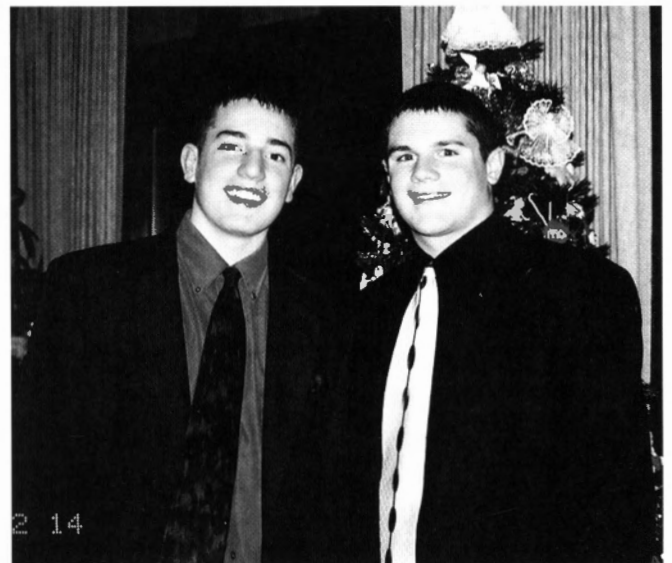
"My friend, Anna Martinez."

What's your favorite activity?

"I like to play hockey."

How do you enjoy the Wednesday mornings?

"I like the Wednesday mornings a lot because then I get to sleep in."



Getting ready to go to the Lansing Catholic Central's winter ball are Mike Norris and friend Matt Bloomberg. Bloomberg attends at Lansing Catholic. "We've been friends for a long time and we play hockey together also," says Norris on his friendship with Bloomberg. *Courtesy Photo*

Jared Gates

Previous school?

Merida Christian School, in Mexico

Why did you decided to go to Holt schools?

"To get ready for college."

What is different about Holt and your previous school?

"Everything. Here we speak English, there we speak Spanish."

What was your first impression of Holt?

"It's really different, its gonna be strange."

Who was most helpful in showing you around?

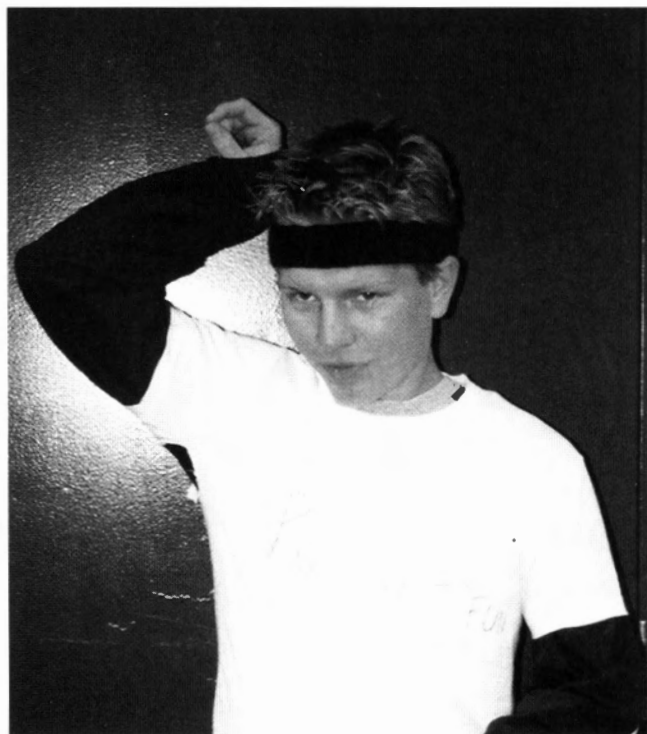
"The whole soccer team."

Whats your favorite activity?

"Playing soccer."

How do you enjoy the Wednesday mornings?

"They're awesome, I never ahd them before."



Spanish class is definitely a class to excel in, since he speaks fluent Spanish. Jared Gates and his brother Chris, who is a sophomore, help everyone out with their outstanding knowledge and awesome language skills. Photo by Jennifer Cooke

Tiffany Sanborn

Previous school?

J. W. Sexton High School

Why did you decided to go to Holt schools?

"At Sexton the school, classes and students were not all that great to be in and around. The teachers also expected us students to do the teaching instead of them."

What is different about Holt and your previous school?

"The people are alot nicer at Holt."

What was your first impression of Holt?

"I thought that the students were snobs."

Who was most helpful in showing you around?

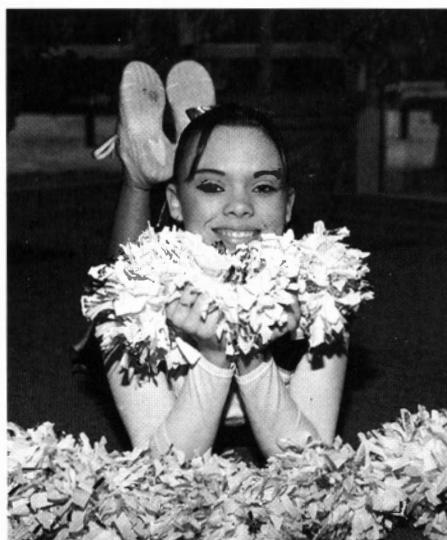
"The pals were the ones who helped show me around."

Whats your favorite activity?

"I really like cheerleading."

How do you enjoy the Wednesday mornings?

"I love, it I get to sleep in!"



With getting used to a new school and new people, Tiffany gets along well with everyone. During her first year at Holt she has already been a huge part of the girls cheerleading team. Making friends and cheering her heart out is what she enjoys to do. Courtesy Photo

Uncoil the Twisted Truth

Urban legends about the new high school are plentiful. So, our reporters talked to school officials and the construction crew to get the inside scoop and to separate fact from fiction. Here's what we found out...

Twisted Truth #1:

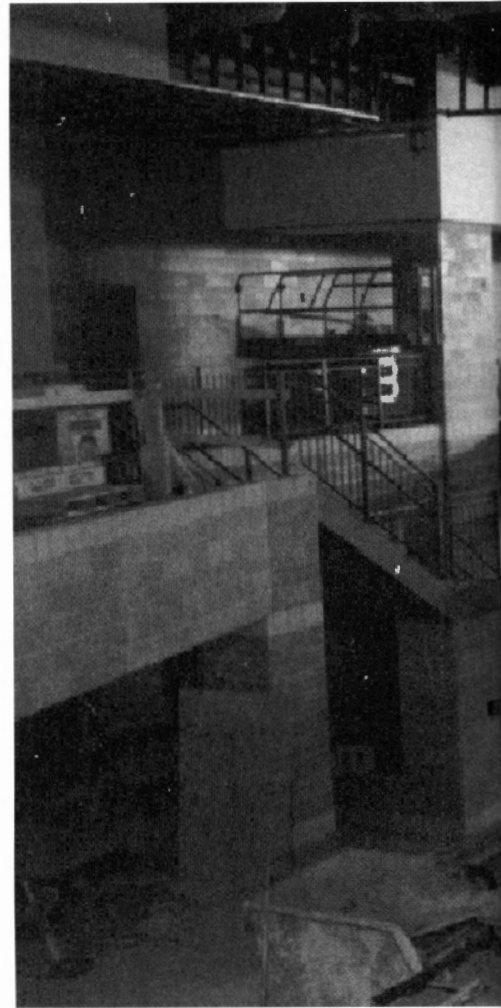
There will be a McDonalds in the new cafeteria. Since the school has closed campus lunch, we will have a McDonalds to keep people from getting bored with the same school food everyday. **False!**

Twisted Truth #2:

The school is sinking. The new high school was built over a swamp causing it to sink an inch every year. **False!**

Twisted Truth #3:

There will be elevators for everyone's use. Since there will be so many students in the new high school it will be hard to get through the crammed stairways, there are elevators for everyone to use to get to class faster. **False!**



Twisted Truth #4:

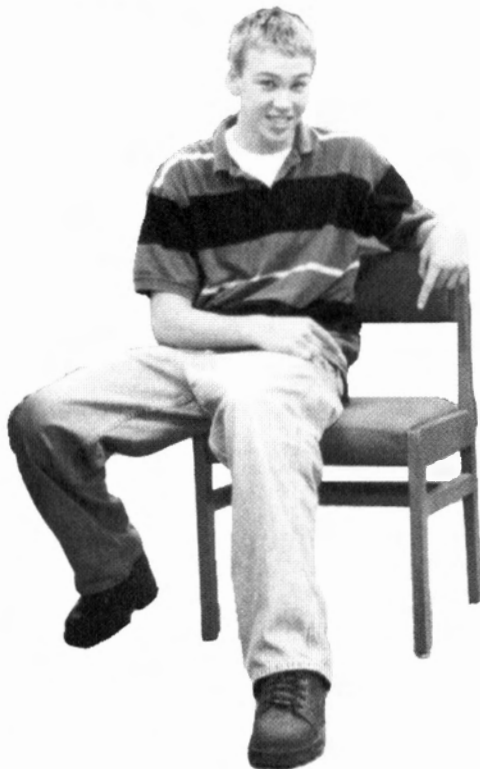
There will be cushioned chairs in every classroom. Sitting for hours everyday can cause your rear to ache. So, along with new technology for your head, we haven't forgotten about comfort for your bottom. **False!**

Twisted Truth #5:

There will be an overpass over Holt Road to get from the junior high to the new high school. Since the junior high is a hop, skip, and jump away, freshman who play sports and need to get to the high school for practice can use the overpass instead of wasting the use of a bus to go across the street. **False!**

Twisted Truth #6:

The school will not be finished on time. Due to acts of vandalism at the construction site, the workers were set back and will not be able to have the school ready for the 2003 school year. **False!**



Oh no! The results could be painful with no overpass to help students cross the road, but that's a chance school officials have decided to take. No worries: you don't have to Frogger it across the streets; there will be a crosswalk. Photo by Beth Keyes and Eve Ayala

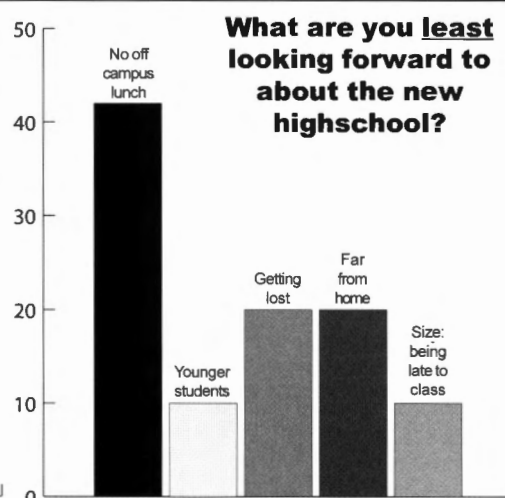
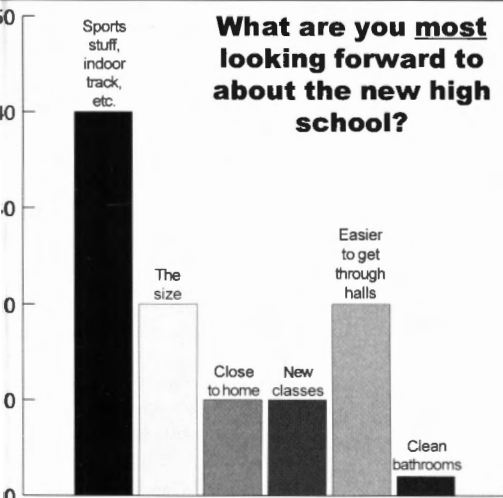
of the new high school

by beth keyes and eve ayala



Your Opinion

Most students' favorite subject, lunch, will be spent in the commons of the new high school. That's right: no cafeteria! It'll have more of a mall food court feel to it. Photo by Beth Keyes and Eve Ayala



The Straight Truths

of the new high school

Straight Truth #1:

There will not be a McDonalds in the new cafeteria. You can see the golden arches and you can smell the fries in the distance; too bad you're trapped in school for on-campus lunch. That's right, no brand name burger joints in this school; there isn't even a cafeteria! Instead students will eat in the commons with various selections for lunch, much like a mall food court.

Straight Truth #2:

The school is not sinking. Construction workers made sure there was a solid foundation before they started building the structure.

Straight Truth #3:

There will not be elevators for everyone's use. With the immense number of students attending Holt, it would not only be crowded but also hazardous to have that many people try to get on the elevator. There will be elevator availability for the disabled only.

Straight Truth #4:

There will be cushioned chairs in every classroom ...if you bring your own cushions. The school will not be providing cushioned chairs in every classroom, only in the library.

Straight Truth #5:

There will not be an overpass over Holt road to get from the junior high to the new high school. Even though the results could be painful and dangerous, there will be no overpass to the new high school. Instead there will be a traffic light and a crosswalk.

Straight Truth #6:

The school will be finished in time. Even though there were a few set backs, thanks to mild winters and a hard working crew, the school will indeed be ready for the 2003-04 school year.

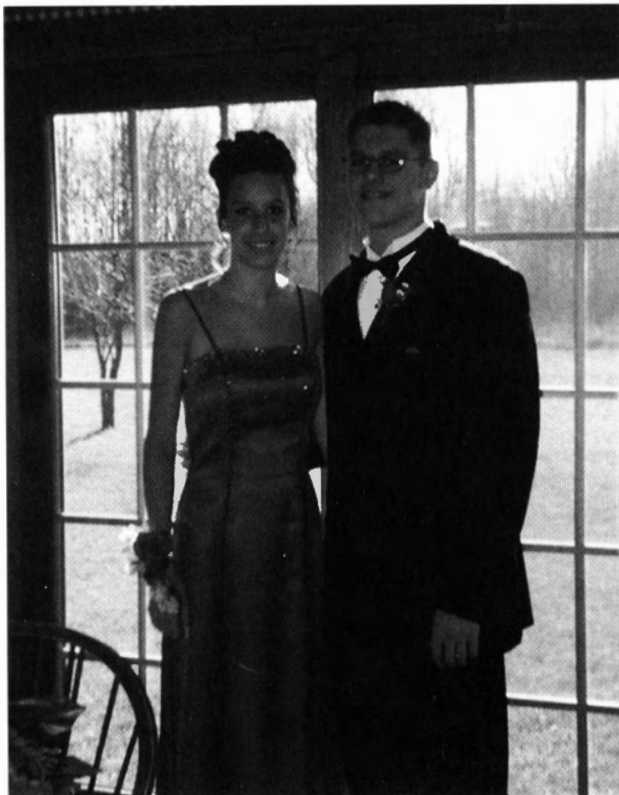
At the end of the Winterfest basketball game, juniors cheer and shout for victory when Holt wins against East Lansing 55-53.
Photo by Raquel Llinas

How Do You Feel About Closed Campus Lunch For Your Senior Year?



Like It
Don't Like It
Don't Care

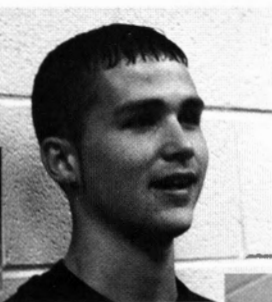
Before heading out to a charity ball last year are juniors **Mike Adams** and **Stephanie Waypa**. They are the longest junior couple to be together for a total of one year and four months!
Photo by Julie Adams



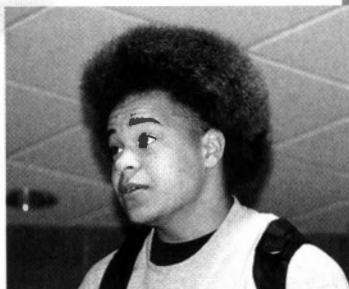
Your Opinion: Junior Year



"This is probably my easiest year of high school, but I know that next year will probably be the most fun!" says junior **Mandy Seehase**.
Photo by Katie Ross



"It is definitely easier than my sophomore year, but I'm looking forward to slackin' off next year," says junior **Dane Erikson**.
Photo by Katie Ross



"It's a lot different from my sophomore year. There're new underclassmen and we're not the bottom of the barrel anymore," says junior **Nick Hefty**.
Photo by Katie Ross

"It's going good because I'm still runnin' things and the teachers are lenient. Plus more of my friends take me to lunch 'cause I still don't drive," says junior **Mike Baker**.
Photo by Katie Ross



"There's a lot less work load and it's better than last year because we juniors have more seniority," says junior **Troy Albert**.
Photo by Katie Ross



"Junior year you have to crack down on your work to get ready for senior year and to be out in the real world," says junior **Bonney Decker**.
Photo by Katie Ross





Juniors **Zachariah Buck** and **Leslie Holstrom** were both nominated by the junior class for first time Winterfest court members this year.
Photo by Leah Maier

The year 2002-2003 is a very big year for juniors. There's important test taking, like the MEAP, and things to look forward to, like the new high school. Not to mention the special events like Homecoming and Prom, Winterfest, clubs and the talent show. Juniors also have to prepare themselves for the biggest year of all: senior year. This means making appointments with counselors for scheduling, credits reviews, and scholarship applications. On top of all these responsibilities, let's add a job, a sport, and a few hours of homework every night. "I feel lots of pressure from myself, as well as

Just Juniors

by Katie Ross & Raquel Linas

others, but you keep working and knowing that next year will hopefully be a breeze," junior Beth Keyes admitted. She has about two hours of homework every night and works at American Eagle three to four days out of the week.

Throughout this year, dealing with these numerous activities is very stressful and sometimes aggravating when you just want to get out of high school and move on. However, everyone always says that these are the days of our lives, when school is the first job we'll ever have.

Danielle Abood
Adriane Acker
Danielle Acker
Michael Adams
Chagai Akech
Troy Albert



Whitney Aldrich
Jason Alleman
Andrea Allen
Teasha Alward
Jessica Anderson
Melissa Anderson



Derek Antekeier
Whitney Arambula
Samantha Austin
Eve Ayala
Nikki Ayres
Christopher Backus



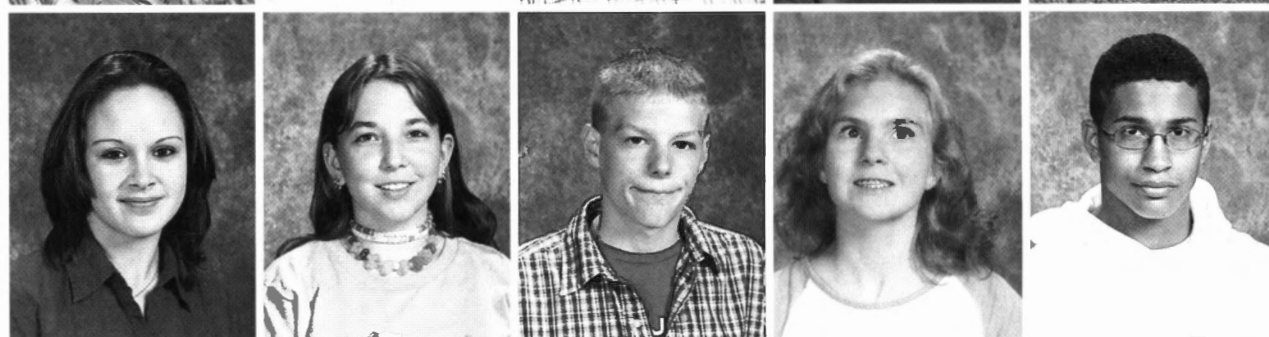
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Gretchen Baker
Michael Baker
Pavi-Elle Baldwin
Brett Ballard



Lisa Bartz
Dustin Baughman
Katie Baughman
Christopher Bauman
Lindsey Beemer
Danielle Benington



Jennifer Bicego
Jessica Billeter
Andrew Bliven
Tiffany Blumer
Anthony Boggus
Jessica Boggus



Cruisin' on through

by Kelly Briggs
& Jenny Christensen

Dear Mom and Dad,

I am writing this letter to say that I want a car! The road to finding a car that suits you and your needs is tough and is a grueling process of comparison and elimination. You want a safe car that fits your taste and is affordable. While searching, there were only five cars that met my criteria and received a 5 on the crash test. These were the Chevy Impala, Mercury Sable, Saturn S-Series, VW Jetta and the VW Passat.

When taking into consideration other factors like price, replacement cost, and overall performance, there was one car that stood out above the rest. The 2000 Chevy Impala out does the rest. Priced at about \$12,000 it is lower than average.

There are many perks to the Chevy Impala such as cargo room, handling/road holding, instruments and controls.

I really think that this is the car for me. I would truly appreciate it. Thank you!

Love, your safe driving daughter,
Randi Wigginton

Owning a car

is something that most students look forward to, but it is also a big responsibility. Some students will go to any lengths to achieve mobility.



Looking at possible cars, Randi Wigginton explores her options in a parking lot. In order to receive a car Randi's parents made her do research on car safety. She had to write a letter to her parents explaining her findings.

Match the car with its owner and name:



A) Lindsey Beemer's "Lil' Cruiser"

"I'm always driving people places and I always have places to go. I'm always cruising through town."



B) Mike Adams' "The Beast"

"I named my car the Beast because I didn't want my girlfriend to name it Seagull Poop!"



C) Carly Wesaw's "Maxamillion"

"My old car, Billy, was really junky. Then I got a much nicer car and it needed more of an upperclass name."

1) B 2) C 3) A

Castele



by Katie Ross

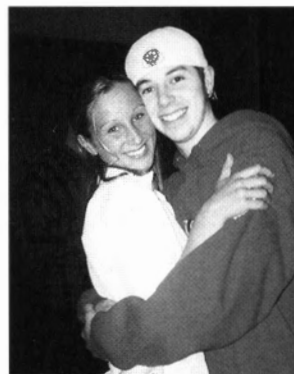
Martin

Have you ever been to a new school? What different things did you think or worry about? There was a lot on Castele Martin's mind when she came to Holt. She was mostly worried about what kind of new people she would meet and what they would think of her.

Castele, a.k.a. Cassie, was born at Sparrow like most of your friends and grew up in Eaton Rapids. After the fifth grade, she transferred to a charter school (ICA), and attended up through her sixth grade. For seventh grade through the first half of ninth grade, Cassie attended Lansing Christian High School. She then transferred again to Eastern High School and finished off her ninth grade year. She was enrolled at Eastern until the first month of her junior year. She then came to Holt.

Finding classes wasn't as hard as Cassie thought it would be. Besides an occasional volleyball game when Eastern played Holt, Cassie's only time in the high school was the day of enrollment. "These halls are really crowded," Cassie admitted this is one of the first things she noticed during her first week here. "It seems like everybody knows everybody," she said about the students, "and Mr. Ernst is way cool!"

Cassie said she knew a few friends before coming here who really helped her get comfortable with Holt. She's glad she had someone to take her to lunch and to hang out with in the halls.



After traveling and attending a Teens For Christ (TFC) concert, Cassie and her friend Troy Smith give each other a hug.
Courtesy Photo

On a carnival Disney cruiseship in February of 2002, Cassie and her father Nathan ate a delicious breakfast at a nice restaurant.
Courtesy Photo



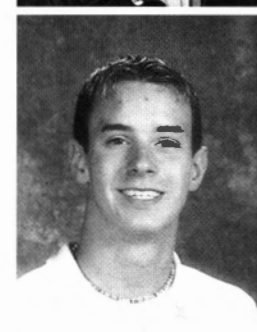
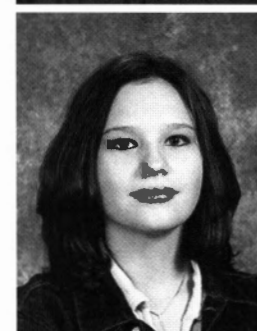
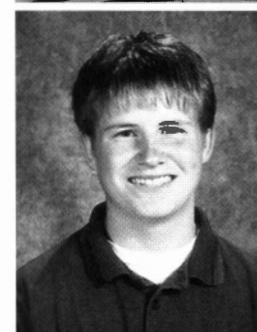
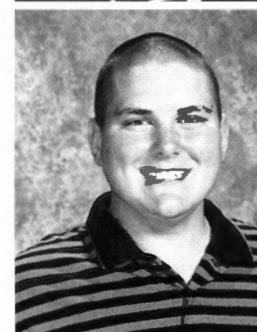
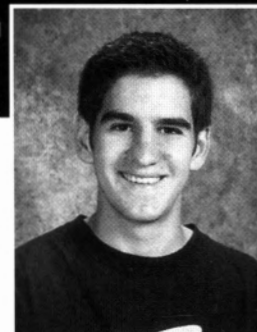
As Cassie tries to remember her locker combination, she realizes this is another task she has to accomplish upon entering Holt High School.
Photo by Katie Ross

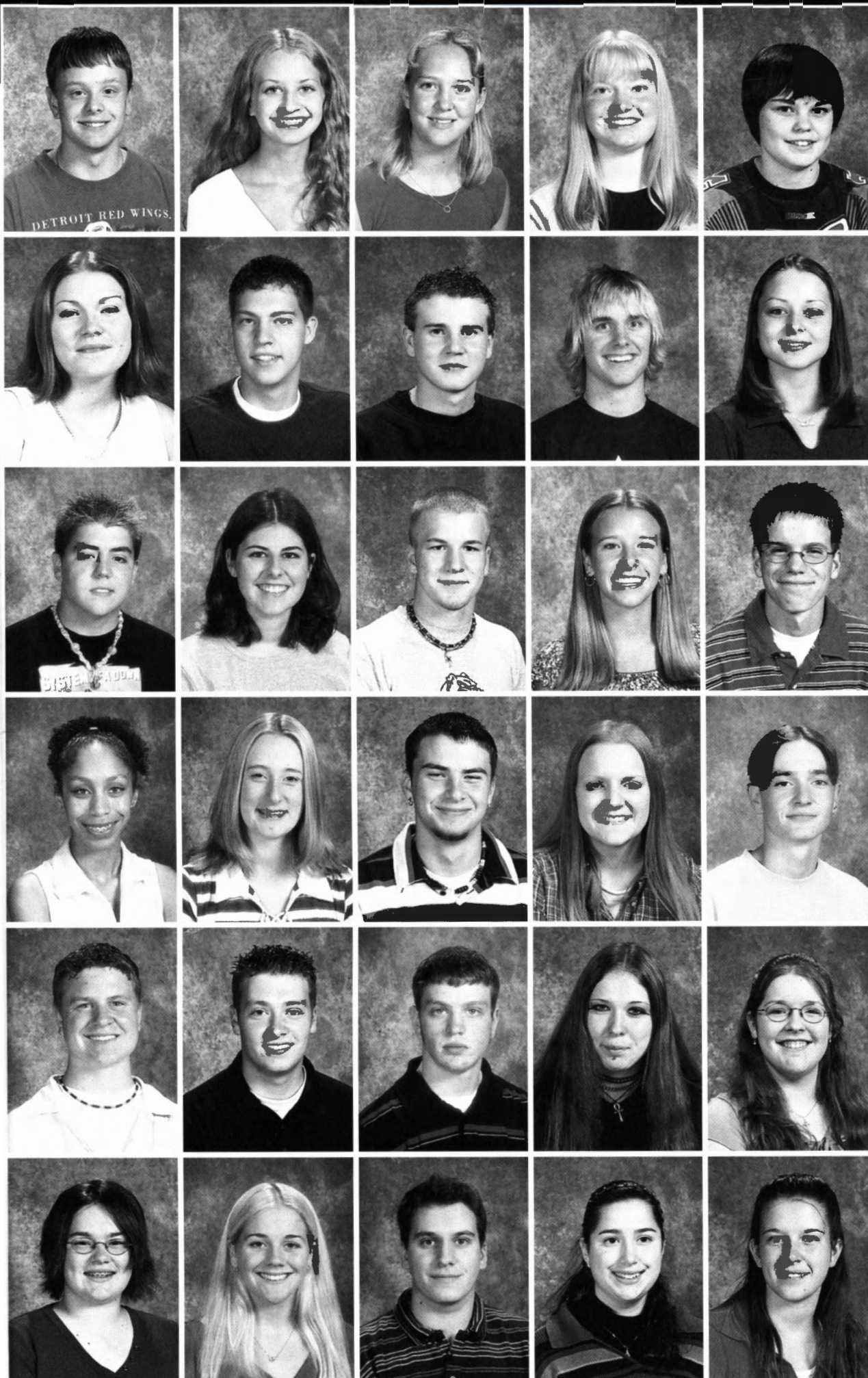
Setting High Standards

If you always do what you've always done, you'll always get what you've always gotten. ~Holt High School 2002-03 Varsity Volleyball Team



Cassie and her volleyball friend, Heather Swanson, lie out in the lawn for a break in between the volleyball states at Grand Rapids High School. They accomplished third in the silver division that day.
Courtesy Photo





Cory Covello Craft-Quenby

Joseph Bolanowski
Clint Borton
Caroline Bowden
Nikki Boyce
Stephanie Branam
Corinne Brauer

Jason Briggs
Samantha Brown
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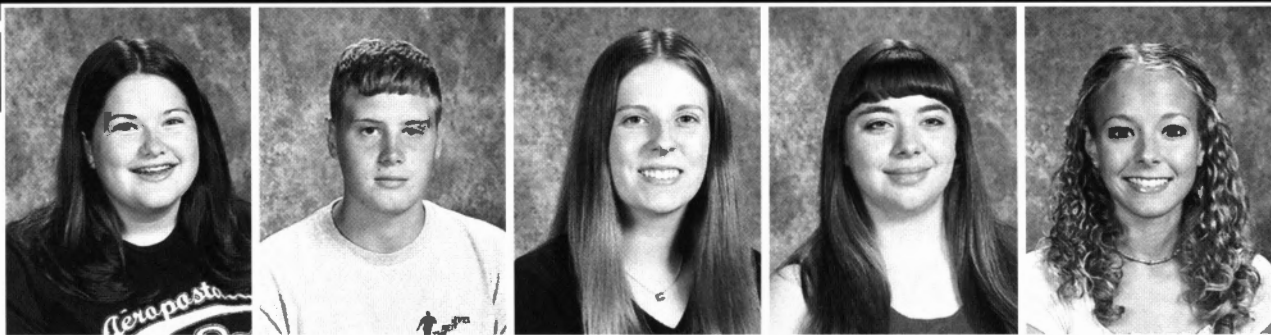
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Chad Cole
Ryan Collins
Brandon Conley
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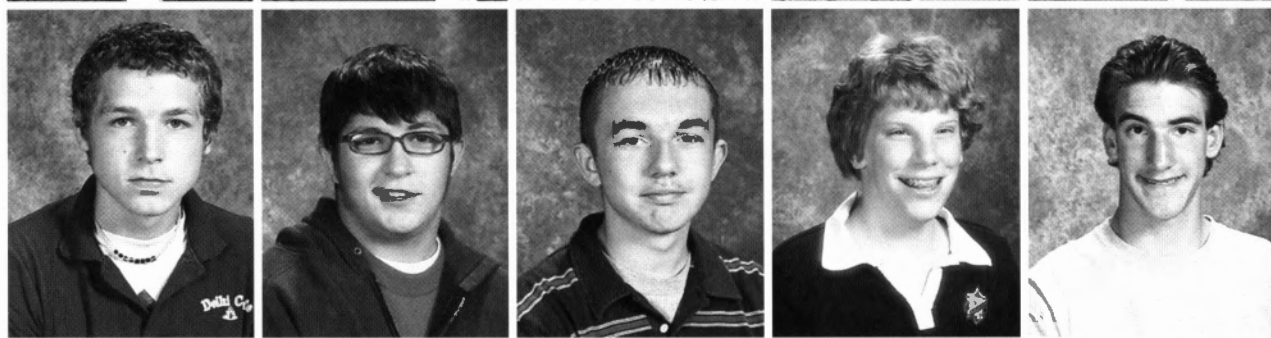
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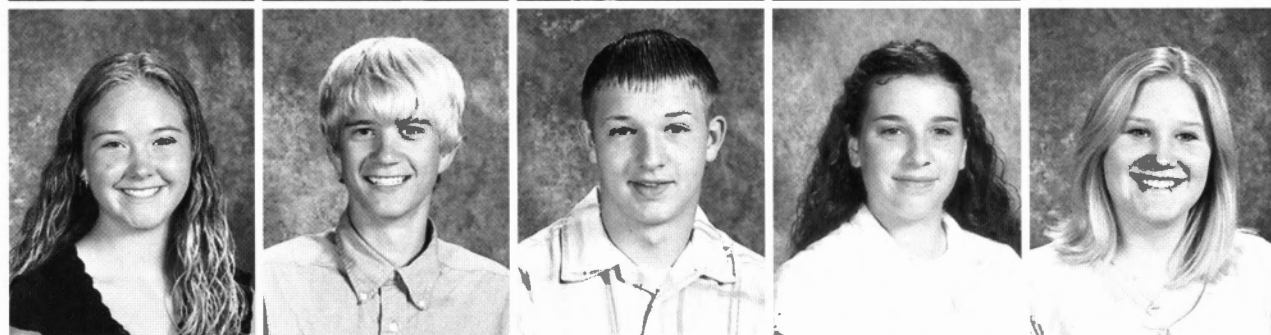
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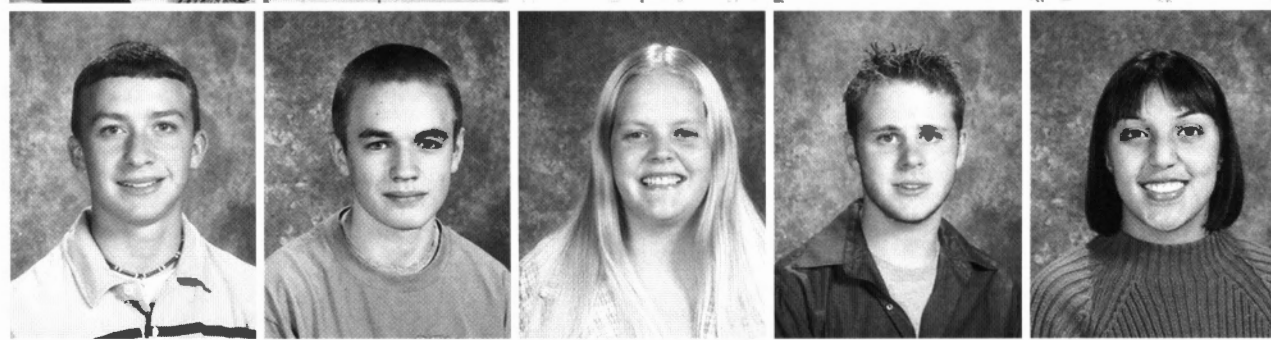
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Like Sands Through the Hourglass, So Are...

The Dates of Our Lives

by Gia Parker

Students describe their ideal dates

Monica Washington



"First he would come and pick me up in a limo, and present me with a dozen roses. Inside the limo would be sparkling grape juice and we would head to a nice Italian restaurant. After dinner, we would go to a comedy club and then somewhere else nice for a quiet conversation."

Nick Nyboer



"On my date, I would bring her to my place and cook her a fried chicken dinner. Then after eating, we would head to a dance club in my red or black porche. After dancing the night away, my date and I would travel back to my place for dessert, which would be chocolate covered strawberries."

Thereese Ford



"I'm not really interested in anybody right now, but if I went on a date with someone like Usher, He would treat me like a queen. He would cook for me and after dessert, serenade me with one of my favorite Usher songs. Then we would curl up by the fireplace to talk and cuddle."

Justin Farr



"My date would be coming to my house to watch *Dumb and Dumber*. She would show up in either a Ferari or the bus. We would then eat dinner with graham crackers and then we would enjoy a nice torte. Then 'movie madness' would begin. After the movies, we would go out for ice cream so I could show off my lady."

Where did you go on dates back in High School?



When I was dating in high school, we went to drive-in movies and to Lake Michigan. In the winter, my date and I would go ice skating.

~ Security Guard Jane Johnson



Sporting events and dances on Fridays were a big thing when I was dating in high school. Then on Saturdays we would end up going to the movies.

~Assistant Principal Ann Coe

Jennie Hill

Her first words in the morning... "Where's my Mountain Dew?"

Who is your inspiration and what for?

Tracy Wilburn, because she is an amazing person and she teaches me so much and she always keeps me smiling!

Who is someone you look up to?

Marcy Messenger, because she is one of my closest friends and I look up to her for every thing she has accomplished.

What's your dream job and why?

A producer of some great romantic flick, so I can be known as the girl who produced *"that great romantic flick"*



Who is the funniest person(s) you know?

Josh Shinkel, Tracy Willburn, and Erika Neumann

Who are your best friends?

Liz Wilcox, Phil Emmons, Adam Barr, Adam Burmeister, Kalie Hayes, and Tracy Willburn

About to leave for Hersheys for dinner, Jennie stands with her brother, Matt, for a quick snap before prom of her freshman year.

Photo by Leann Reed

What are some of your phobias?

Spiders and snakes

What's one of the first things you think of when you wake up in the morning?

The people I care about most; it makes me smile!

What kind of pets do you have, if any?

I have a cat

If you could live anywhere in the world, where would that be?

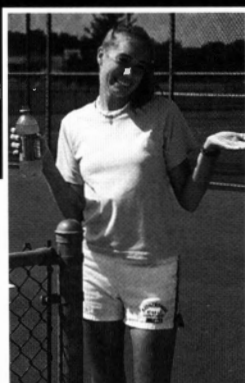
California because it's sunny all the time.

What's your favorite midnight snack?

Grilled cheese or chips

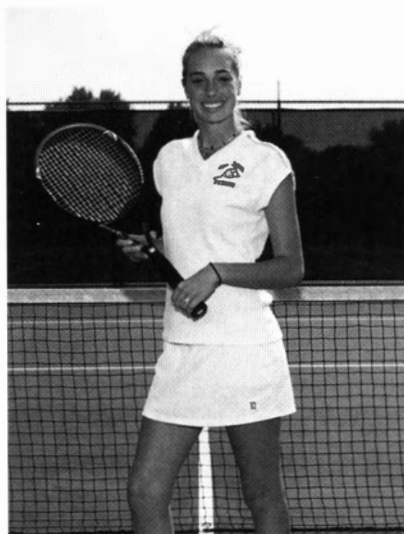
Overview

Favorite color: Pink
Favorite candy: Gummy bears
Lucky number: 3
Favorite pop: Mountain Dew
Favorite song: "I Need You" by LeAnn Ryhmes
Favorite flower: Daisy
Favorite time of the day: Night time
Favorite Movie: *A League of Their Own*



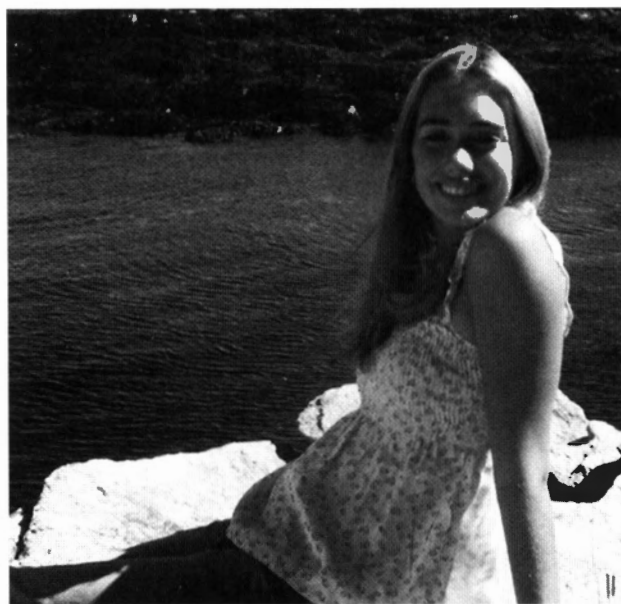
Taking a break after tennis practice during her freshman year, Jennie holds up her drink of choice. She usually drinks three cans of Mountain Dew a day. Photo by Diane Hill

by Keri Kosloski

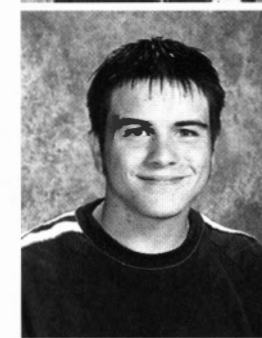
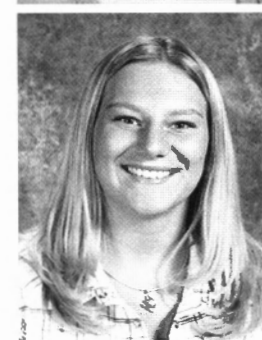
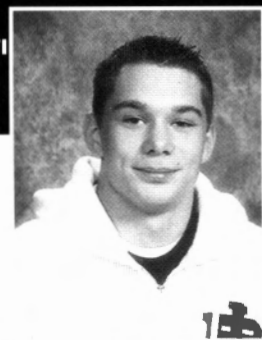


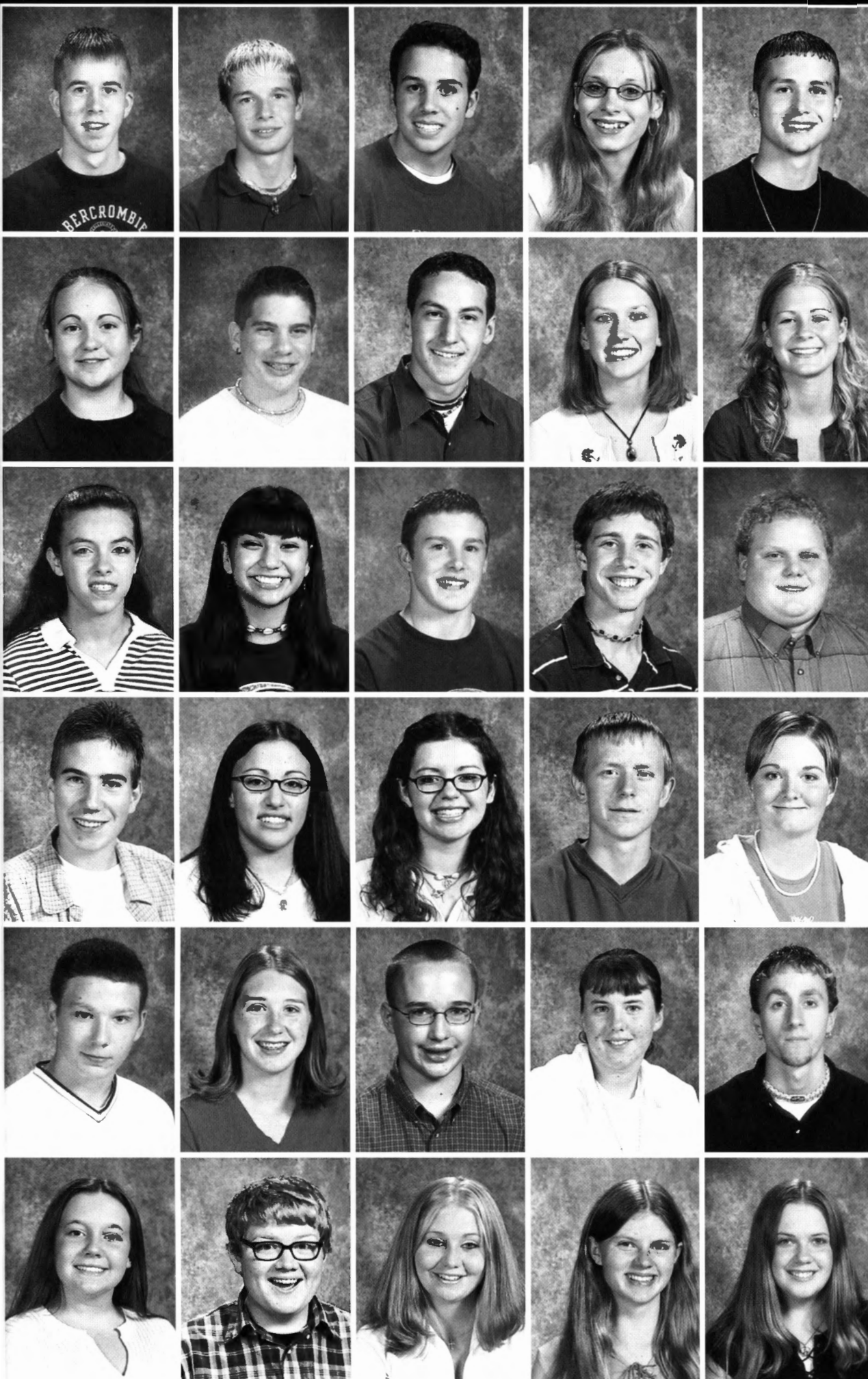
"I've played tennis since I was five" says Jennie as she smiles for her tennis picture this year. The Tennis team finished the year with 13-0 record. Courtesy Photo

Relaxing on the shores of the ocean outside the Hill cabin during a annual trip to Maine over the summer. Photo by Diane Hill



Smiling for the camera with good friend Adam Burmeister, Jennie celebrates the New Year at a party held at the Burmeister's. Courtesy Photo





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Richelle Evans
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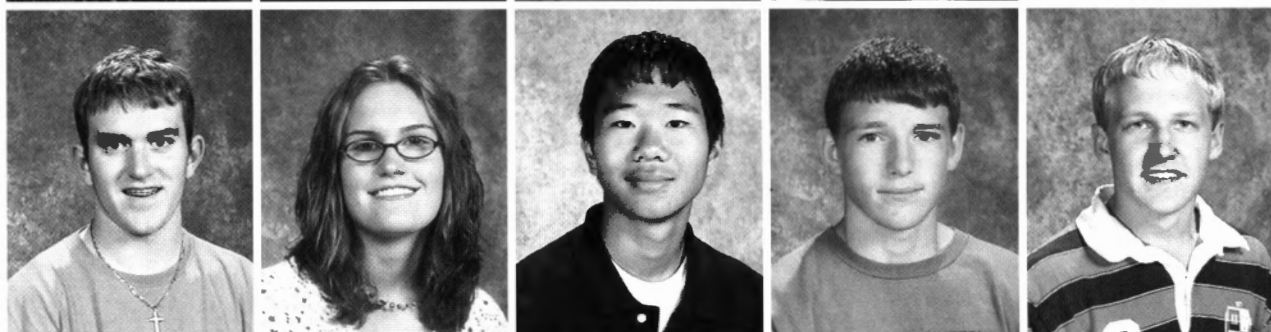
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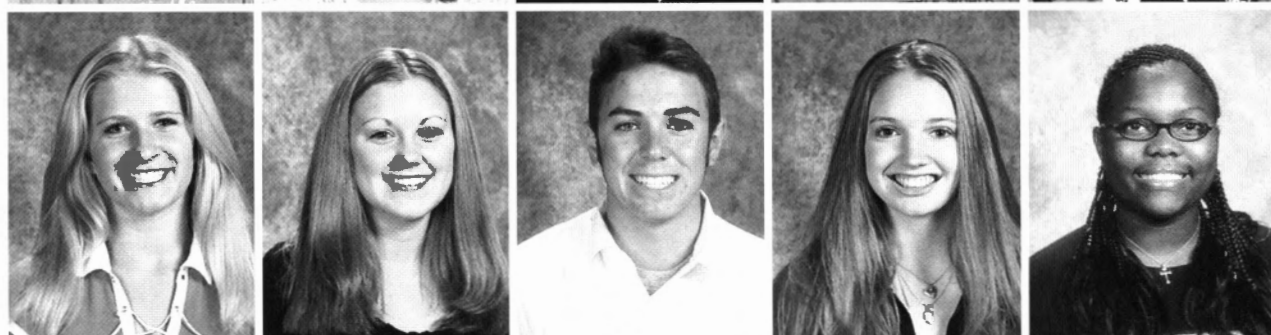
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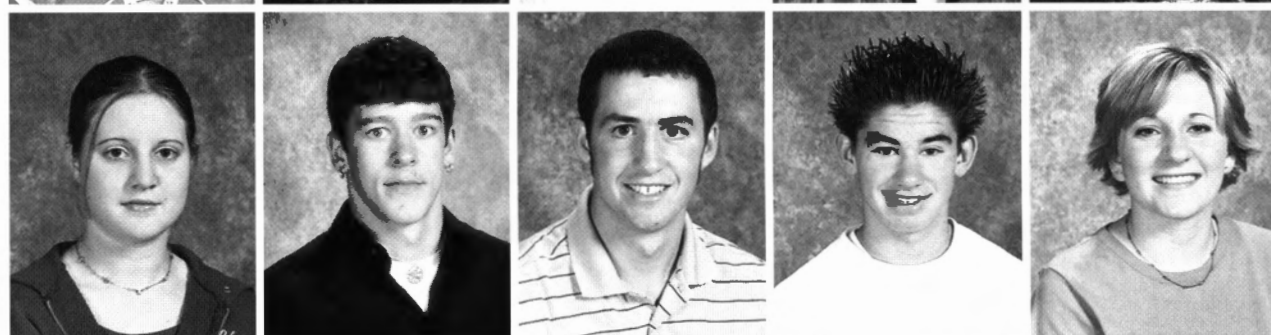
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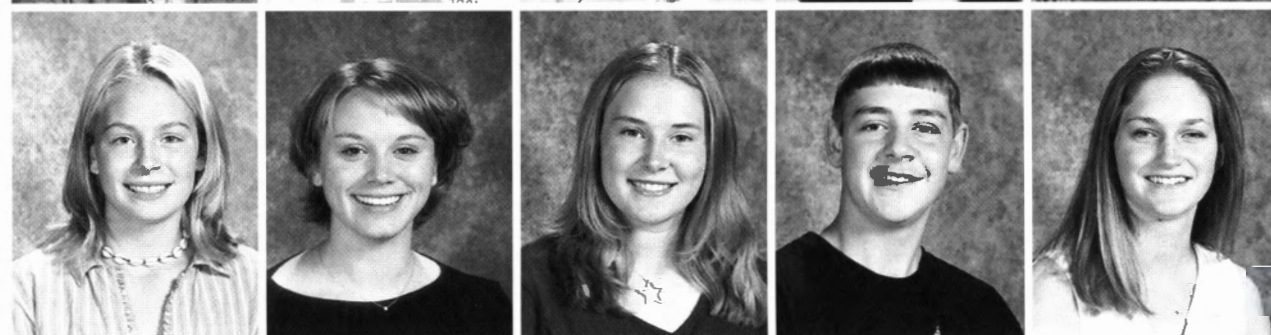
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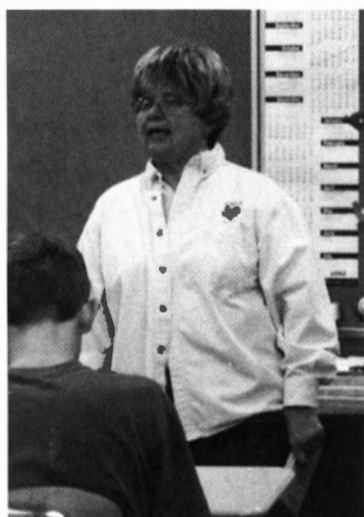


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A Few Years of Experience

by Jennie Andrews



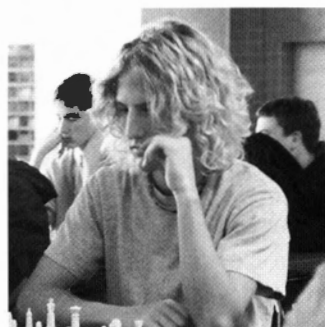
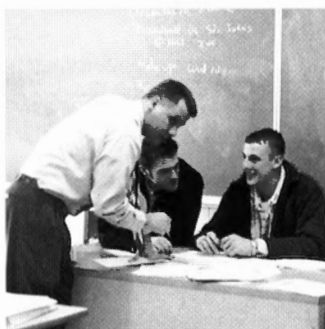
By the end of this year nearly 8,000 students will have passed daily through the door of room B7. But as most teachers pack up their rooms to head to the new high school, Georganne Withey, after 40 years teaching, will be retiring. Many students in the junior and graduating senior class have had the experience of sitting through one of Mrs. Withey's classes, and almost everyone in the school has a memory of her.

Memories of a Legend

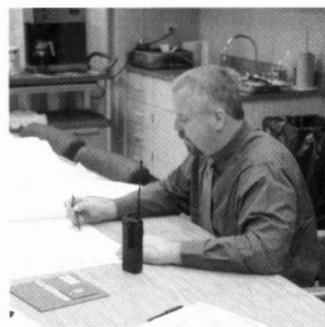
Her class was really hard, you had to know every word of the books to get a decent grade on the tests.
~senior Serena Bearman



I remember that she pushes you really hard. She makes you want to respect her as an adult, and challenges people in the classroom and in the hallway.
~teacher Dan Knechtal



She takes college prep literally, everything about the class seems like college.
~junior Andrew Jones



She is everywhere: she goes to prom, football and basketball games, plays, and open houses. She's tough, but she cares.
~principal Brian Templin

Rock Out



Sporting his Sublime t-shirt
Rob praises the mic. Gilreath likes to listen to music such as Chevelle, the Dave Matthews Band and Pink Floyd. *Photo by Shawn Jackson*

by Shawn Jackson

Imagine a soft mellow room with Dave Matthews Band playing quietly in the background and the sound of an acoustic guitar jamming out to match the tune, with lyrics upon lyrics just lying scattered on the floor. Inside that room, you'd see Rob Gilreath.

"I write what comes to my head," he says. "When I write[lyrics] it's like I'm talking to somebody and I can express myself better." He's been playing the guitar for only a year and he says he learns something new every day he plays. "You can never be too good at guitar," he says.

Rob, Adam Burmeister, Justin Farr, Kyle Mattheny, and Jamison Russ make up Likewise 27, a Rock N Roll band. He always explains that no matter who you are, you can sing. "You've just got to find the right voice," he says.

He could have tried drums, he could have tried any other instrument, but he likes the challenge of playing the guitar. "I like guitar because when I started, it seemed impossible and the harder it seemed, the more I wanted to do it."

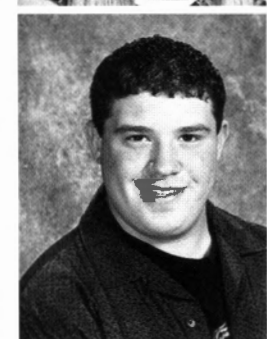
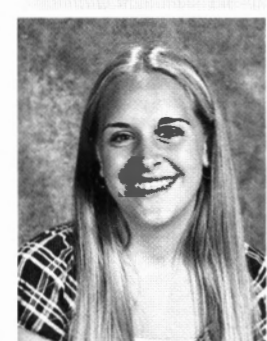
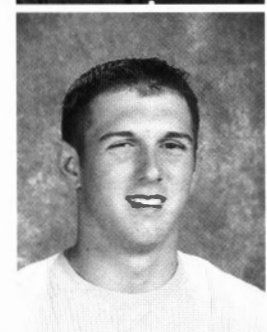
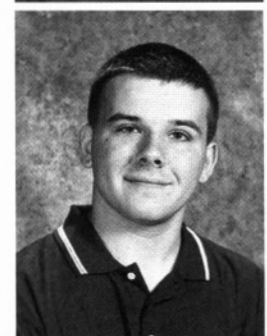
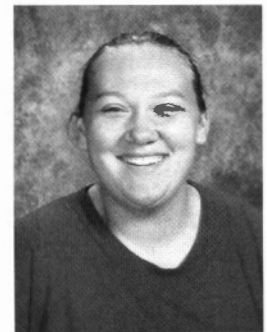
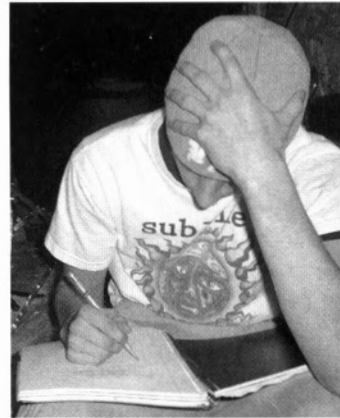
"Rob thinks he gets the girls but he's no Joey Harrington," said Adam Burmeister. Getting the girls or not, Gilreath is an average fellow with stuff on his mind and once it's on his mind, he puts it on paper. Writing and playing guitar is something he'd like to do in the future and his dream job would be making it as a musician.



Taking a breather is important in a performance. Gilreath is known for his laid back style and attitude. *Photo by Shawn Jackson*

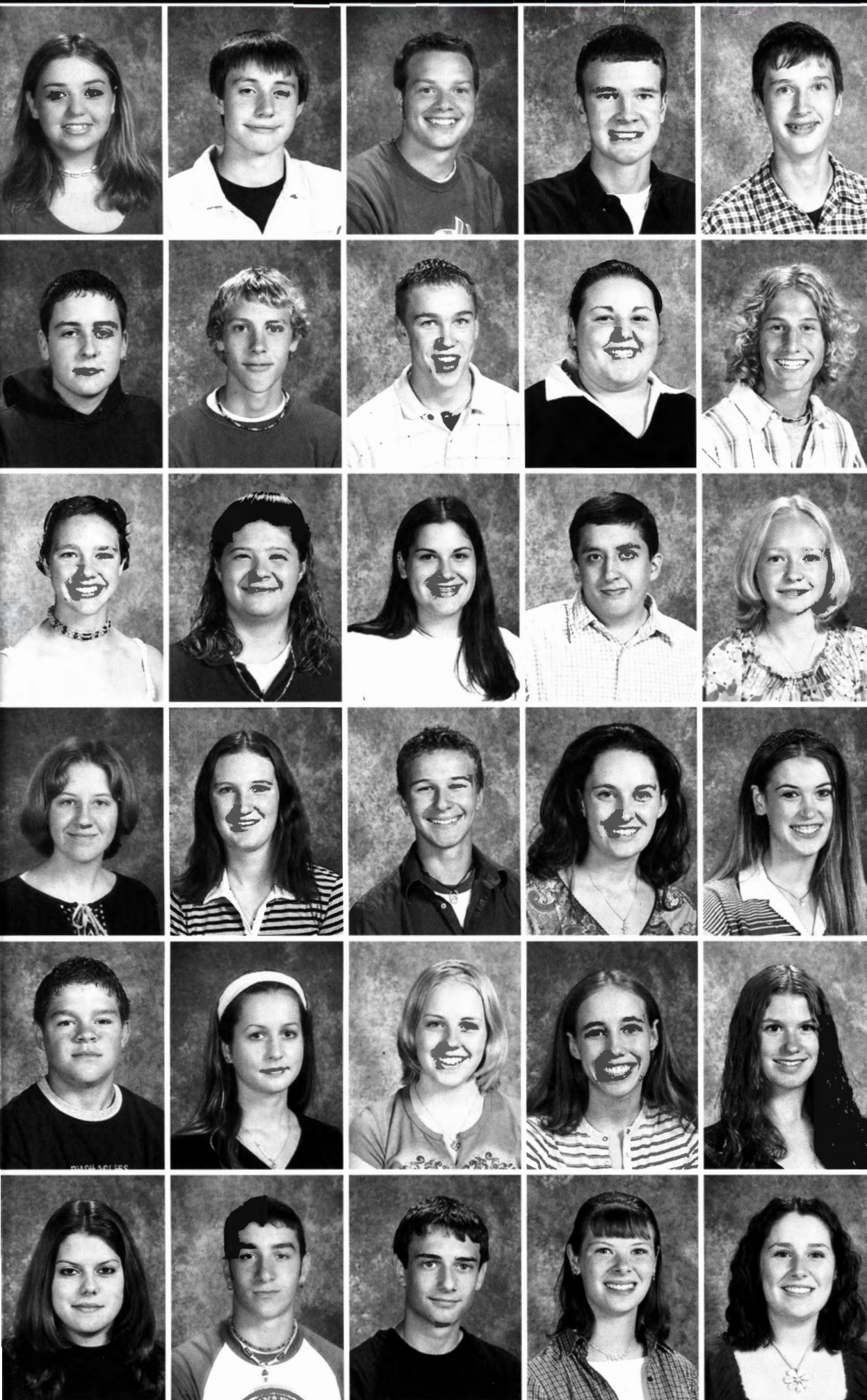
"I write what comes to my head." Gilreath compares writing lyrics to expressing himself to somebody. *Photo by Shawn Jackson*

"You've just got to find the right voice," he says. Emotions run deep when your in the middle of a show. *Photo by Shawn Jackson*



Overview

- Favorite CD:** *Darkside of the Moon*
- Favorite Cereal:** Waffle Crisps
- Favorite TV Show:** Osbournes
- Favorite Song:** "Glycerine" by Bush
- Favorite Candy:** Pez
- Favorite Memory:** First band show
- Best Friends:** James Zolnai & Nick Hefty
- Dream Job:** Musician



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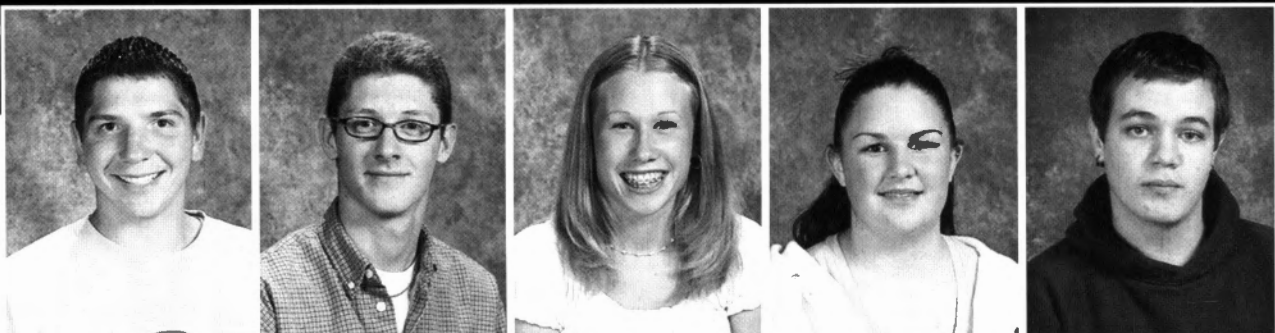
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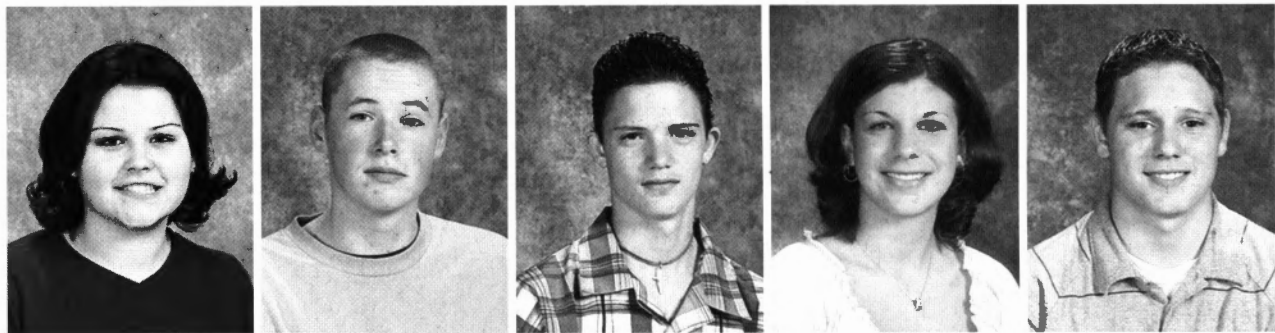
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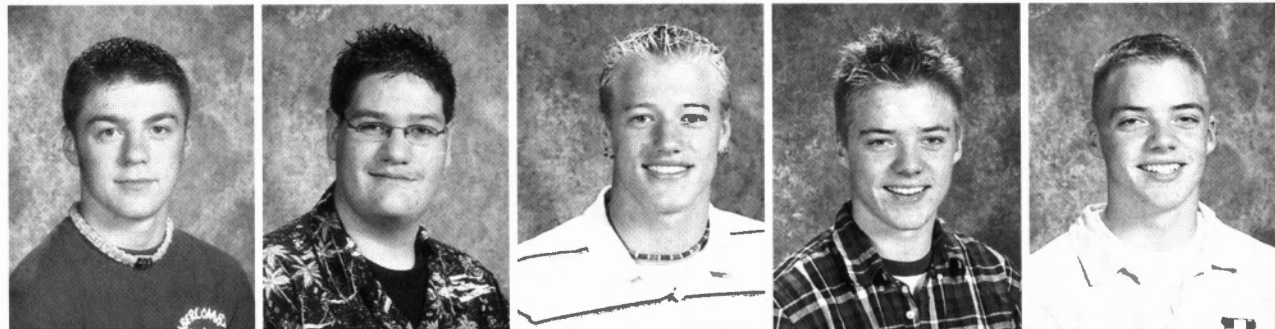
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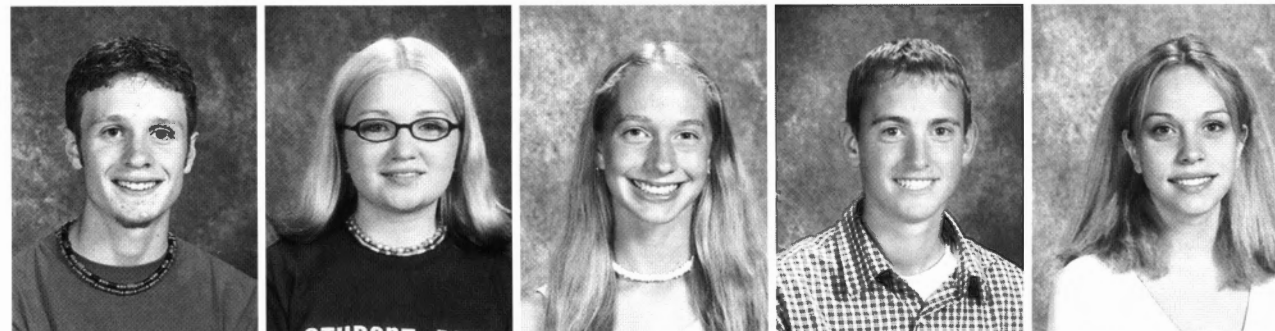
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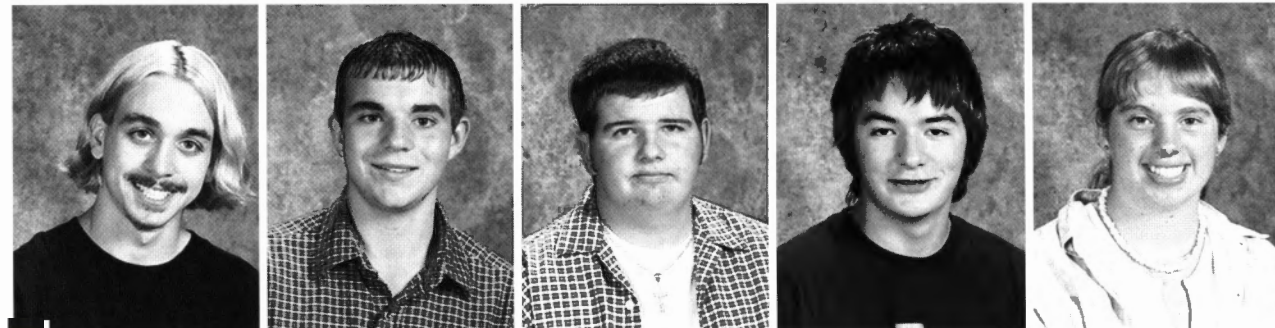
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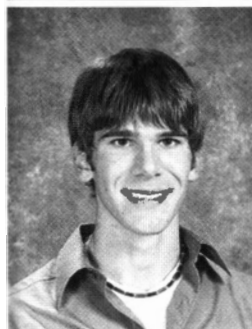
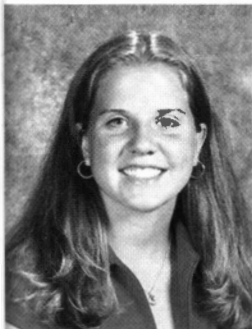
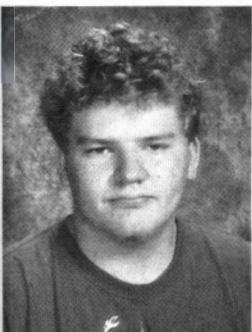
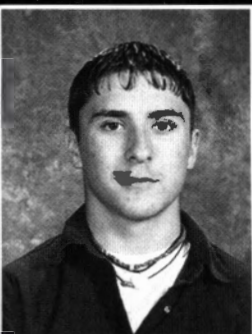


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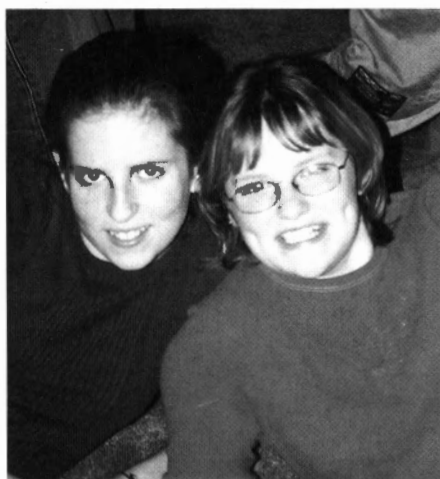


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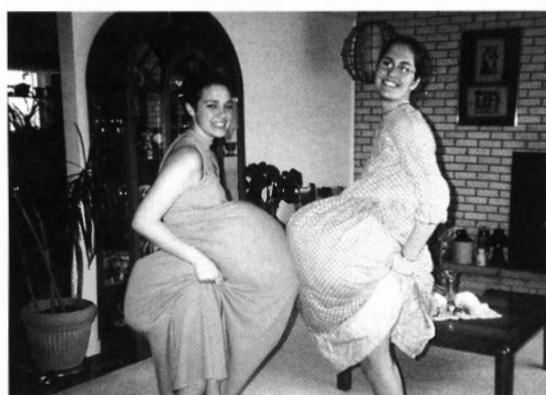




Pals Kenny Fellows and Preston Havens have been around each other since they were three years old. Growing up, the boys would always find fun when they had snowball fights and went trick or treating. The Halloween that seemed to stand out the most was when they dressed up as the Hamburger and Darth Vader. Photo by Mrs. Fellows



Whether it's watching their favorite movie *Dirty Dancing* or traveling to South Carolina to vacation, **Jen Crown and Jami Davis** have been friends since fifth grade. "At first in the fourth/fifth grade split we didn't like each other, but finally Jen got pulled into the group from a mutual friend and we've been friends since," remembers **Davis** about **Crown**. Photo by Mrs. Crown



Sometimes in order to make a great friend, all it takes is the guts to go up to someone on the playground and ask if you can be their friend. That's how it all started with for **Mo Hanrahan** and **Amanda Kegler**. Now they enjoy going to see their favorite bands like Atomic Numbers and just eating junk food and watching movies. Something they will never forget is being trapped in a walk-in refrigerator at Cedar Point during a tornado. "She's more like a sister than anything else. If I have a problem she's always there for anything," **Kegler** says. Photo by Mrs. Kegler

What makes a good friend?

"If you can trust that person with anything. You can have fun with them, and be yourself."

~Eric White

"They listen to you constantly, never ignoring what you say, well maybe not all the time. Friends don't steal friend's girlfriends/boyfriends. They are there for one another to talk and assist." ~Nathan Parsons

"Someone who is honest, loyal, respectful, and fun to be around! Someone who is there for you." ~Sarah Novak

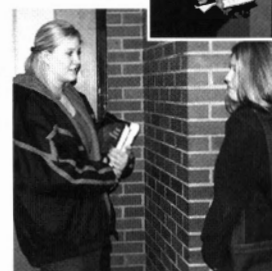
"A good friend is someone you can trust and talk to. You have to have faith in them to keep your secrets. You have fun together and they need to make you laugh. A good friend is always there for you when you need them without a second thought." ~Katie Dillon

"A person that will always be there for you. They can relate with you when you need to be serious, while at the same time they are someone that you can sit and laugh with for hours, and never get bored." ~Cristina Hogarth

Moulding Friendships

by Jennifer Cooke

From the days when you tried eating paste for the first time to cheering on your team at football games and road trips to your favorite concert, nothing seems to really go wrong when you are hanging with the one you call your best friend. It might have been the new neighbor who moved in down the street or the one you practically know only as brother. Through the small spats when you were little that you now just laugh at to taking the ACT's you know they will always be there for you when you need them the most. That is how all through the younger years the friendship has moulded into something forever.



Diving deep into Derek Antekeier

by Eve Ayala

Jumping off the diving board into the air, Derek Antekeier slices into the water. He's a diver on the men's swimming and diving teams and has been for the past two years. Antekeier also enjoys playing guitar in his spare time. What most people know him for, however, is his sense of humor. Senior Aaron Robinson said that his best quality is "being able to make people laugh." That's something Derek can surely do; he's always joking around and having a good time. Some people could see him as "kinda quirky," said junior Kelly Robinson.

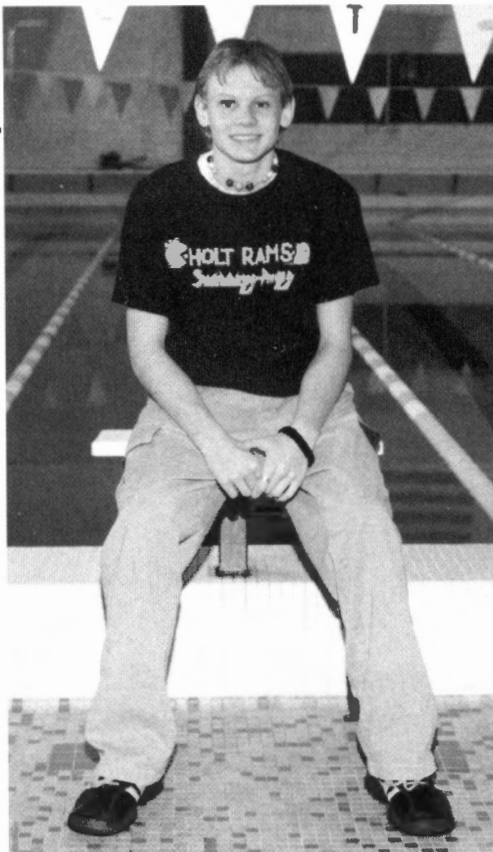
He's not exactly a stand up comedian because his sense of humor is more spur of the moment. While interviewing him there were moments he would just come out and say a comment out of the blue; he made it hilarious:

His car is very important to him, along with women, he says. He treats his car like a baby and is always so happy when he gets it washed. He's not the only one who likes his car, sophomore Ali Templin also said, "He has a nice car." What he couldn't live without, though, is his toothbrush "because if I didn't have one... I'd stink really bad... shampoo and soap, too," he added.

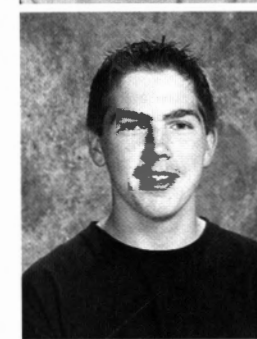
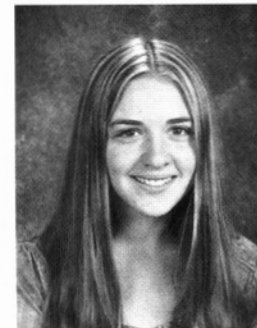
Diving, playing guitar, or making a joke, Antekeier is known for different things and someday dreams to be unknown as a police officer: that is, so he can work undercover.

A diver of two years Derek Antekeier practices long hours with the men's swimming/diving team. Photo by Okemos Studios

Driving along in his car, Antekeier sings to the music. Photo by Mike Mansfield



Being his goofy self in Florida by the Toon Lagoon. Photo by Penny Antekeier

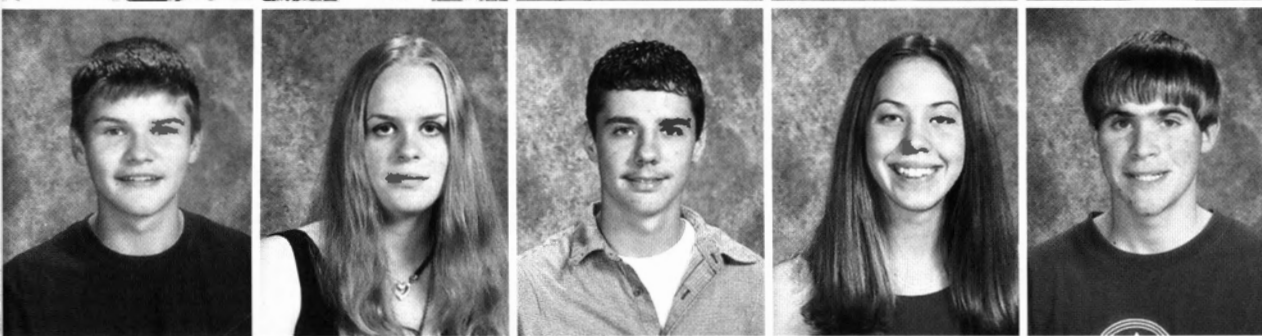


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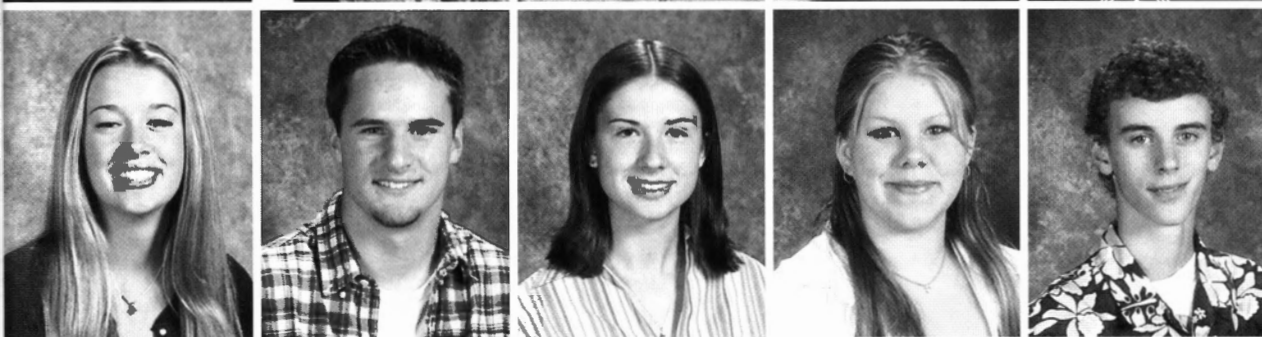
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- Best Friends:** Zack Templin, Aaron Robinson, Kelly Robinson, Craig Car, Jenna Zolnai
- Dream Job:** Undercover police officer



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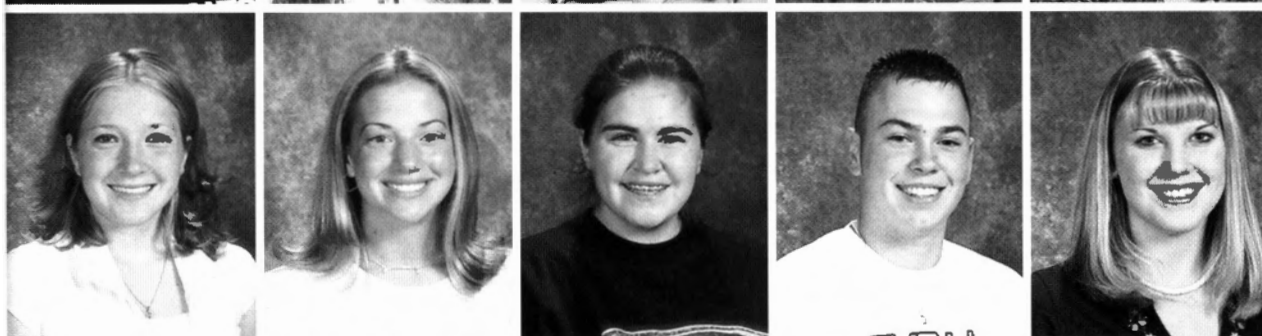
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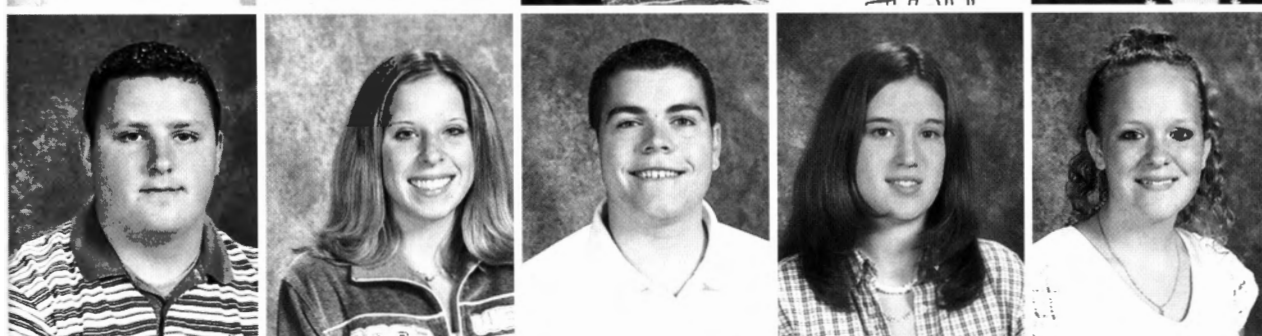
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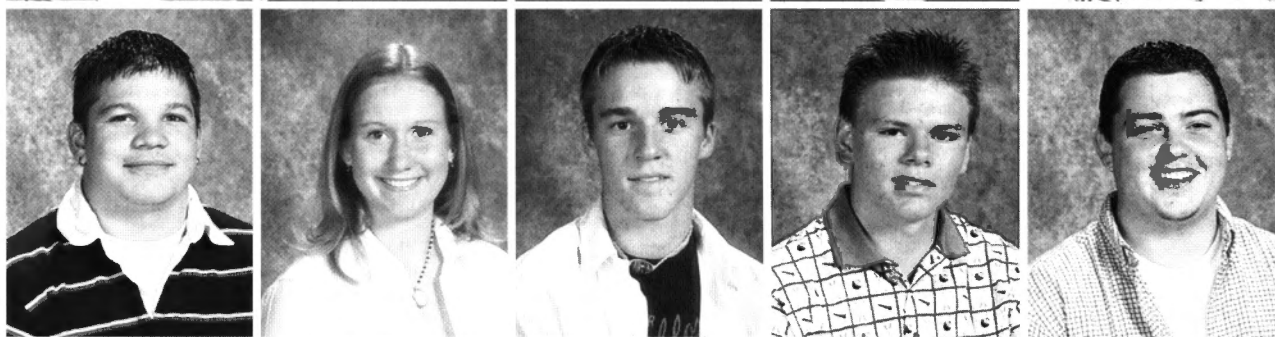


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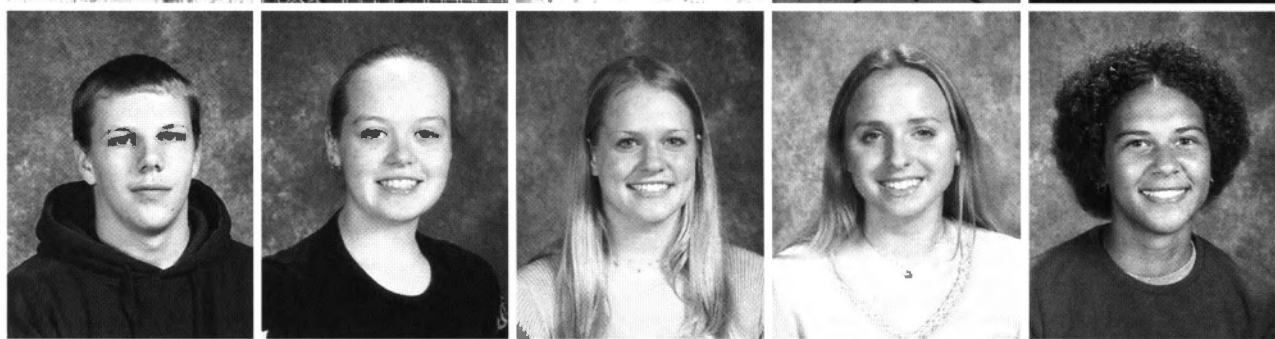
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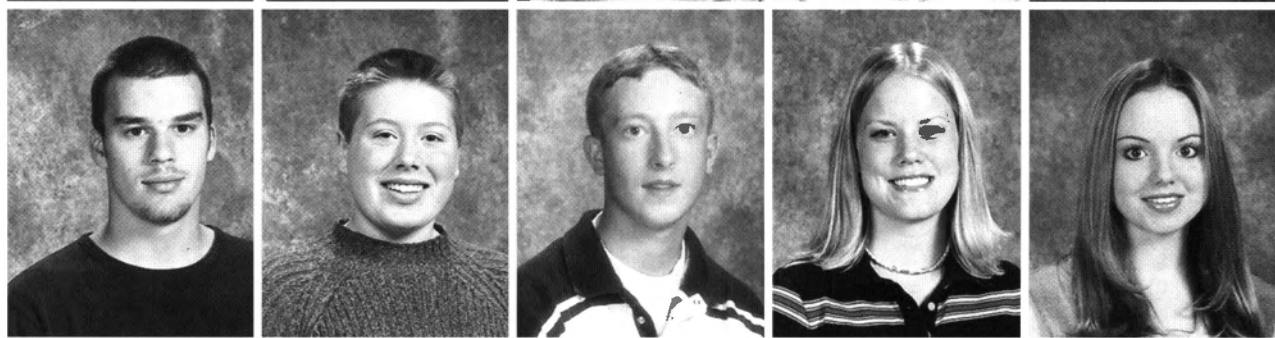
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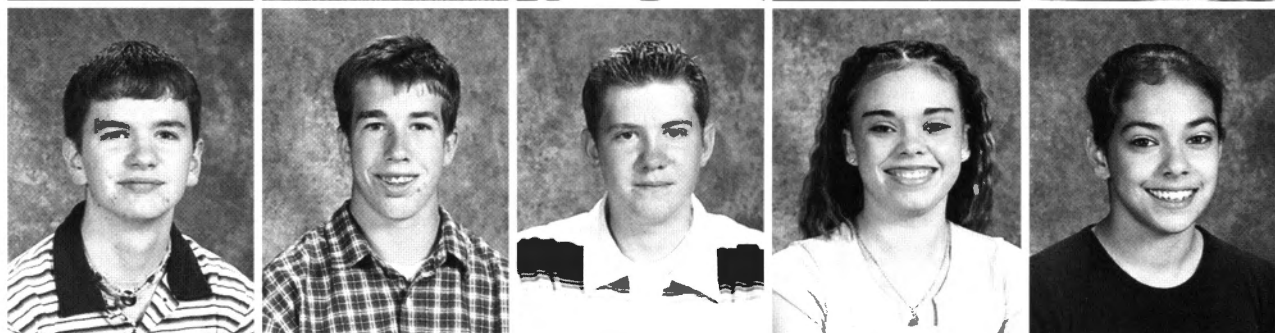
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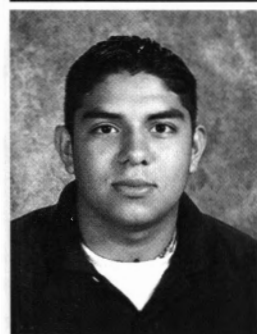
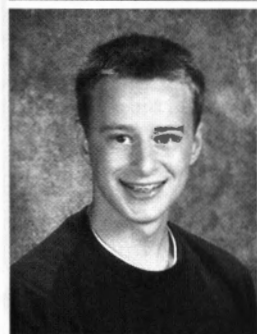
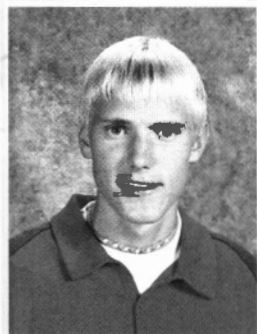
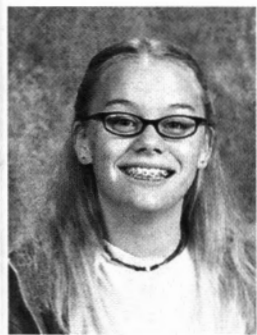
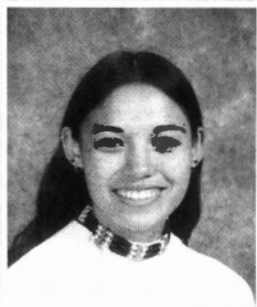
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From ABC to SAT

by Beth Keyes

How well do you know your classmates?



A.



B.



C.



D.



E.

A. When he was little he loved graham crackers, now he's part of the Holt Ram linebackers

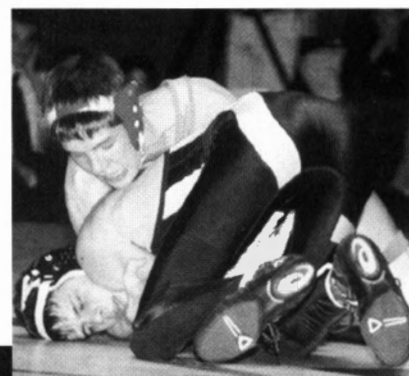
B. She used to play with toys, now she's a waitress at Big Boys

C. She always used to suck her thumb, now what a dancer she's become

D. His mom used to hold him in a rocker, now he's a superstar in Soccer

E. When he was little he was quite the brat, now he's a star on the wrestling mat

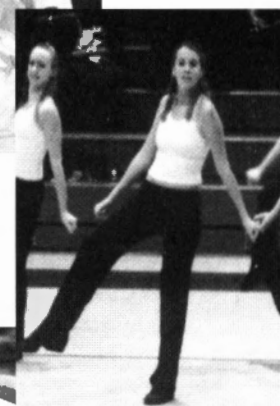
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2.
Nolen
Jenkins



3.
Jennifer
Nash



4.
Keith
Lane



5.
Kelly
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Answer Key: 1-A, 2-B, 3-C, 4-D, 5-E

Living Large:

Jake Reed

by David Dionise



Taking a break
between songs at a house
party, **Reed** interacts
with the crowd to keep
them entertained.
Courtesy Photo

the whole sports thing," said Reed. While some people are off at sport practices or games, you might catch Reed at band practice or playing a concert.

Even though only a junior, Reed is looking forward to graduation already. He likes to work on computers but doesn't think he wants to do it as a career. "I definitely want to go into something with music, like production maybe, but I'm not sure," said Reed. He loves music in general, but especially likes bands like Blink 182, The Starting Line, Dashboard Confessional, Rufio, Juliana Theory, Someday Soon and Hyperbole.

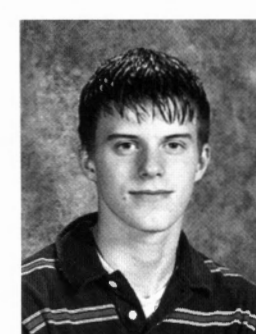
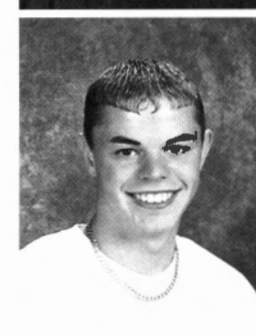
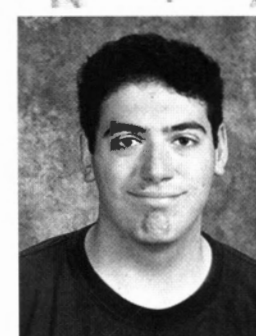
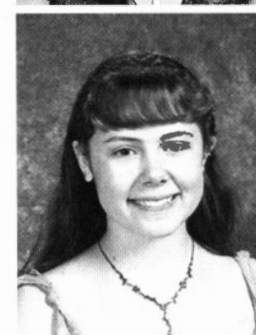
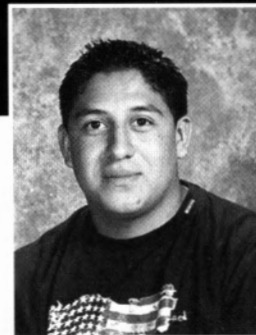
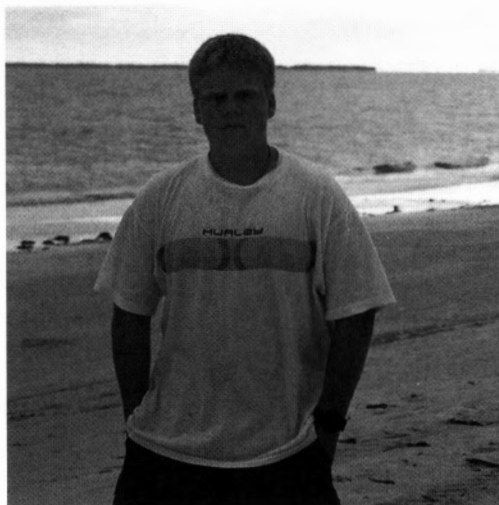
"Jake Reed is amazing," said senior Kristen McCulloh, "he's gentle, kind, giving, and God is with that boy." Reed is well known for always having a good time and making sure others do, too. "Life is too short to complain," said Reed. He's making sure that his youth will be a good memory, just like the rest of us should.

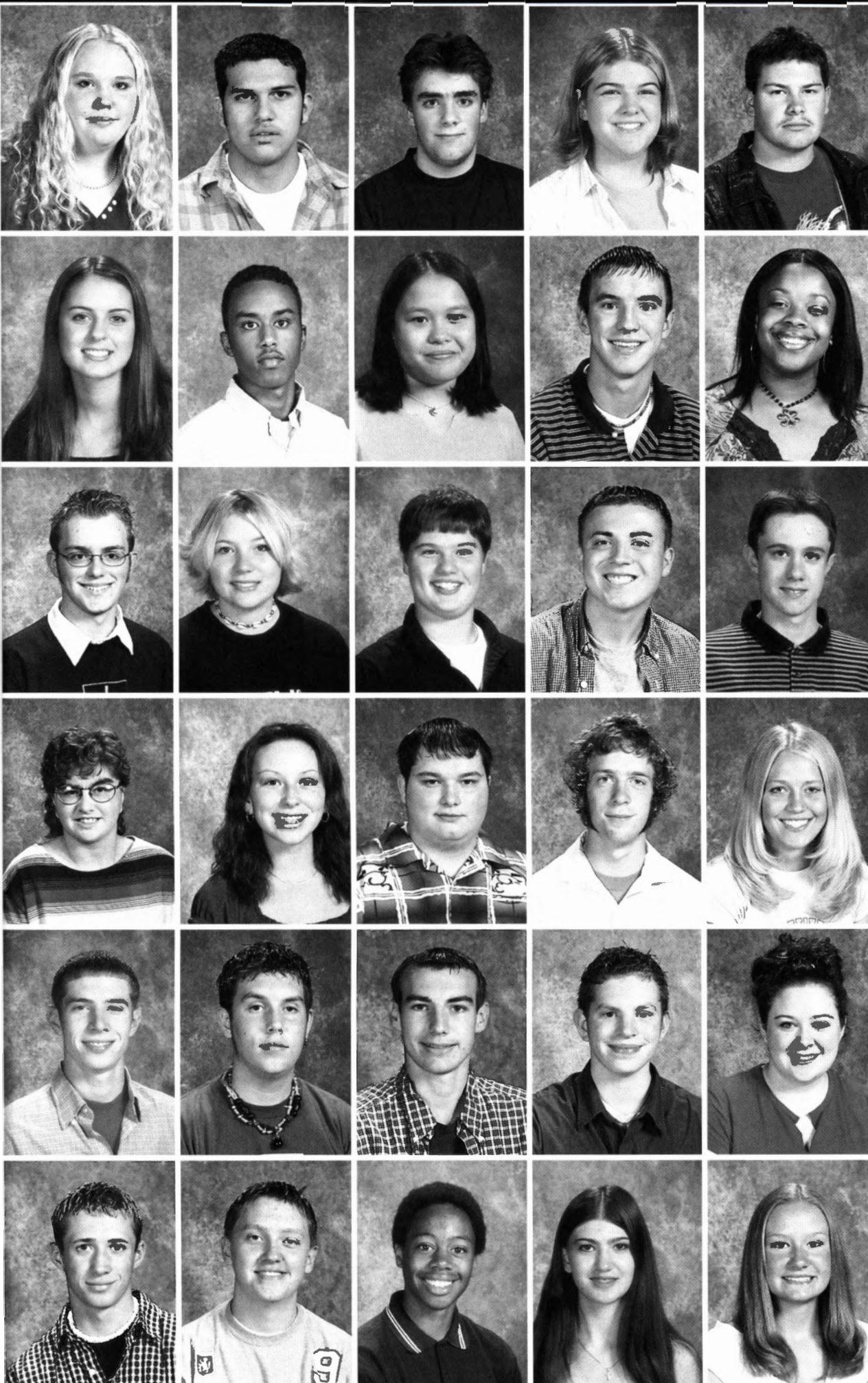
Taking a vacation from it all, **Reed** hangs out on the beach of Florida during a beautiful sundown.
Courtesy Photo

In high school there are many different cliques and groups that people associate themselves with. Though he fits nice and snug in the skater/punk rock group, just about everybody enjoys the company of junior Jake Reed. Always smiling in the hallways, Reed always has a joke on his mind or something encouraging to say, which makes him a nice person to be around. "He's my little red bubble of fun," said senior bandmate Josh Schinkel.

For fun, Reed likes to bike and skateboard a little bit, hang out with his friends Justin Farr, Eric White, David

In the middle of a concert at a church in Grand Ledge, **Reed** plays through the set with his band, JonesDay.
Courtesy Photo





Isen Thomas Thomson Tice

Nickolus Saucedo
Katelyn Saxson
Tom Schafer
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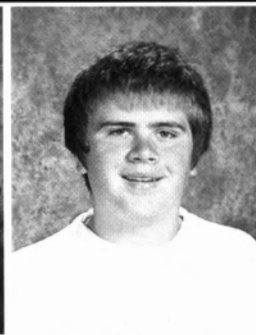
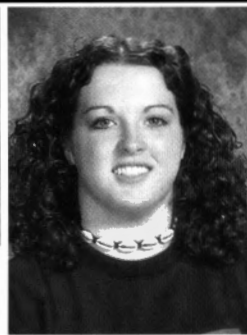
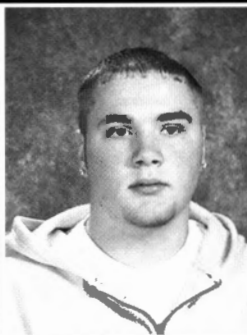
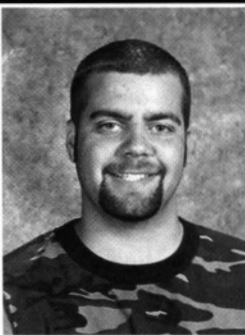
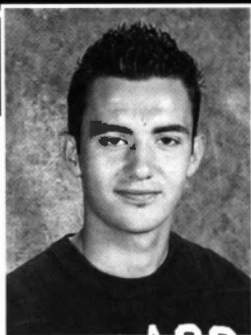
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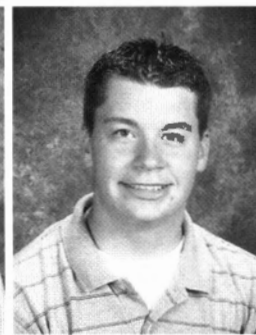
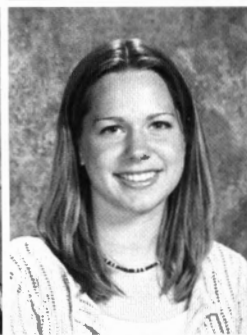
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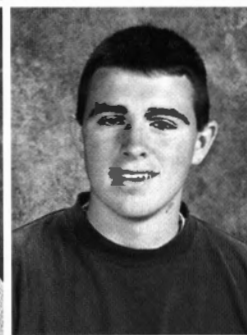
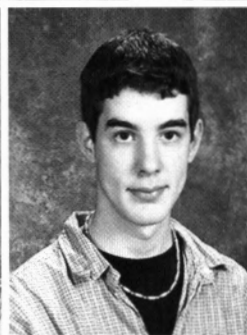
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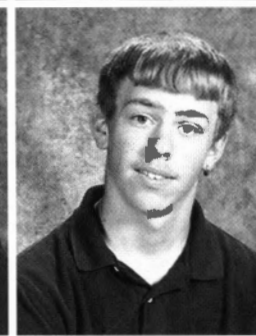
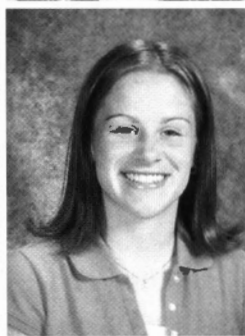
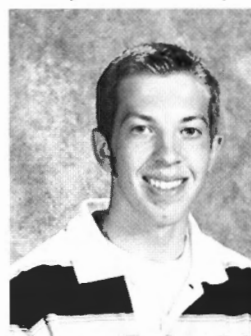
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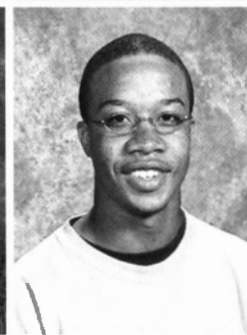
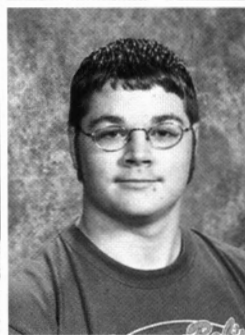
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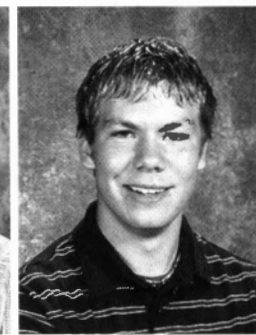
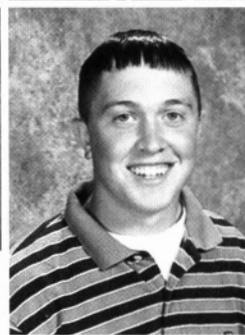
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Monica Washington
Kyle Waters
Lavoris Watkins
Victoria Watkins



Benjamin Watson
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vocabulary

Turkey Getting three strikes in a row

Pocket The target spot to get a strike everytime

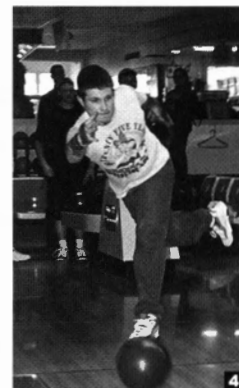
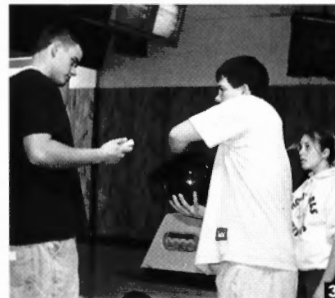
Hook When the ball is thrown it curves toward the gutter and then curves back out to the head pin

Bagger The number of strikes recieved in a row (ex. five strikes received in a row is a five bagger)

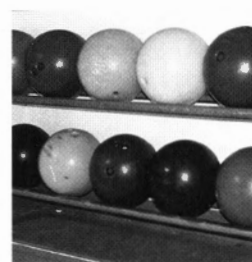
A Sparing moment

by Cortney Duval
& Jenny Christensen

Have you ever wondered how to be a good bowler? The Holt bowling team has offered some tips. When beginning, the right ball is key. "Make sure your ball isn't too heavy," said senior Jen Warnke. Your mood is important also. "Don't concentrate too hard and don't bowl angry," says Chris Kirby. Taking the right steps can make you bowl a strike. T.J. Quick says, "Walk straight and take 3-5 strides to the line." The most important part of the game is how you throw the ball. "Aim at a mark on the lane and swing your arm straight," said junior Ryan Collins. Perfecting tips like these can help you to improve your score like the mens bowling team did by winning second place at districts and placing in the top ten. These tips also helped the womens team to place first at the Marvel Lane conference.



1 Celebrating a strike, senior Jen Warnke practices for their last meet. **2** After his spare, sophomore Andy Morales replaces an insert after it got stuck on his thumb. "It's never really happend before, so it was pretty funny," said senior Shane Moon.



3 By cleaning the ball for Shane Moon, junior Derek Parker shows him that a clean ball will make for a better hook.

4 With proper form, senior Garrison Ridenour concentrates on scoring a strike. Photos by Jenny Christensen and Cortney Duval

Derek Parker throws his ball straight down the alley during a practice at Mason's Bowling Center.

Photos by Jenny Christensen and Cortney Duval



To better grip the ball, junior T.J. Quick plays with a razan. Bowlers have found that the dryer your hands, the less slip on the ball. A razan is an easy solution for sweaty palms. Photos by Jenny Christensen and Cortney Duval



Still



"I'm just part of the family business." Victoria's uncle races at Spartan Speedway; her dad and grandpa have also been racers. *Courtesy Photo*

by Shawn Jackson

Victorious

Victoria Bartley is a thrill seeker. Growing up she played basketball and softball. At the end of last spring, however, all of this was brought to a halt.

Vic, as her friends call her, was driving with her friend Thereese Ford; driving two cars ahead of them was a truck that had junk falling out of the back.

The car in front of them slammed on its brakes; to avoid colliding with the car, the girls swerved. The swerving took them out of control and they collided with a tree.



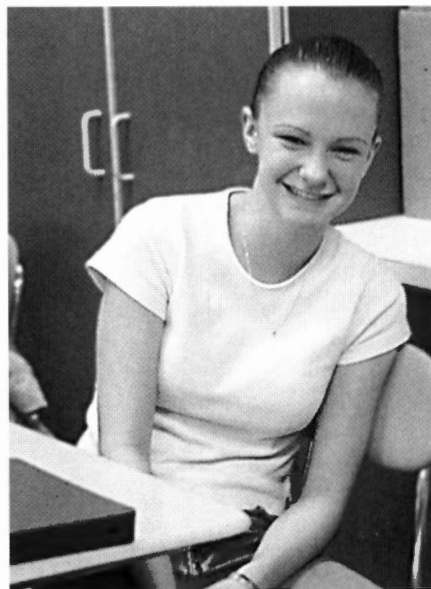
Softball is only one of the many sports Victoria has played. *Courtesy Photo*

Vic and Thereese were taken to the hospital and as of today are doing okay. "I still have a mix of things in my back like rods and screws," said Vic. Because of the accident Vic can't run, can't play basketball, and can't lift her 30lb nephew.

One thing that Vic is trying to be able to do is to race at Spartan Speedway in the Pony Stock division. "My grandpa raced there and my dad raced drag cars, so racing runs in the family," she said. "I'm just part of the family business," she continues. Vic plans on visiting a doctor to see if she is capable to become a racer.

If she doesn't become a racer, then she wants to become an owner of a bar. She plans on taking mixology classes to achieve this.

To sum up Victoria in a sentence her friend Carly Wesaw said, "She's hot stuff, and she's herself." That's why Victoria Bartley is victorious.



"She's hot stuff," said Carly Wesaw. Victoria hopes to own a bar one day. *Photo by Shawn Jackson*



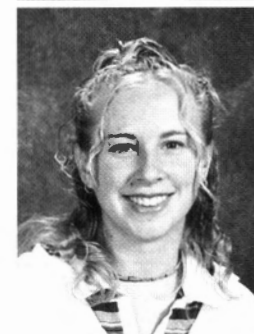
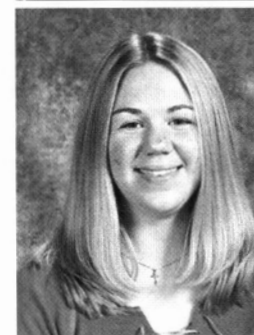
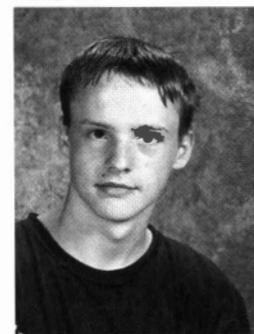
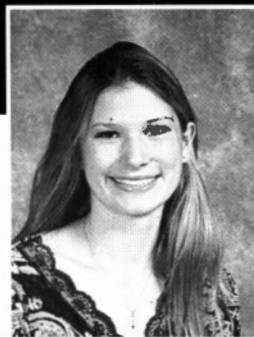
"My favorite memory was when I was 13 and I took our boat out all by myself." Victoria always looks for a thrill. *Courtesy Photo*

Overview

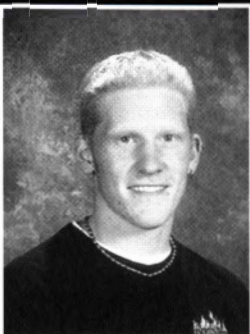
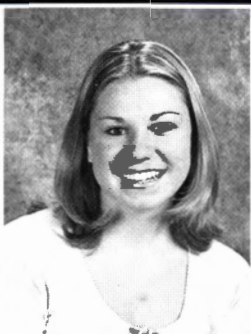
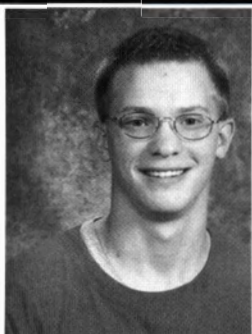
Favorite CDs: Her own mix CDs
Favorite Cereal: Captian Crunch Berries
Favorite TV Show: Osbournes
Favorite Song: "Landslide" by Dixie Chicks
Favorite Candy: Snickers
Favorite Memory: When she took her boat out all by herself
Best Friend: Teasha Alward
Dream Job: Owner of a bar



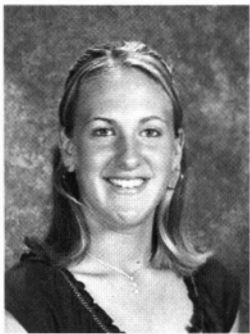
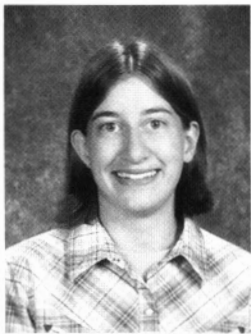
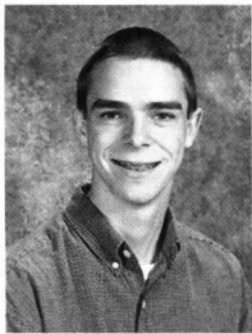
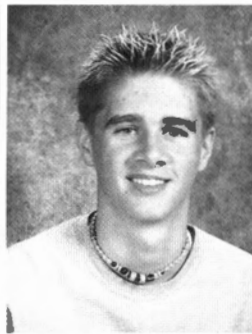
There are many things Victoria can't do because of her accident. However, being with her family is something she'll always be able to do. *Courtesy Photo*



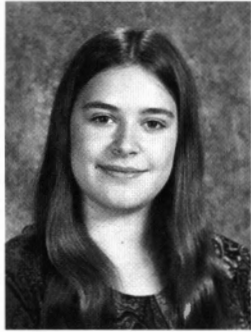
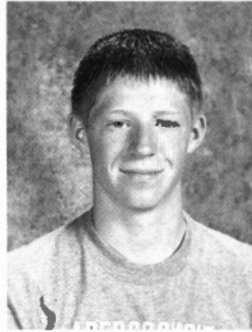
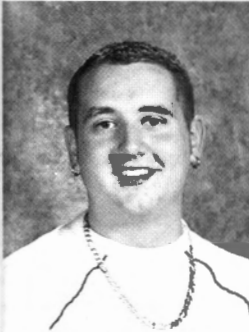
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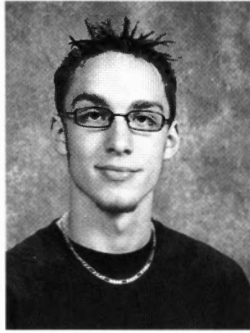
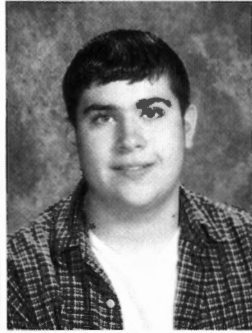
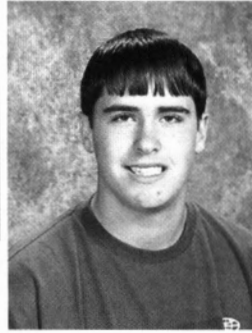
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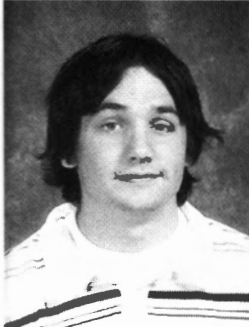
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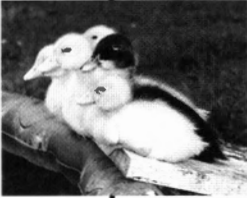
A Day in the Life of...

—Addam Ayala—

Like many students, Addam Ayala puts in a full day of work both in and out of school.

6:00am

Addam wakes up to feed the ducks.



7:15am

Addam, along with younger sister Eve, arrive at school.

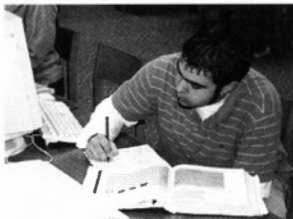
10:20am

Addam explores his writing in his Writing Explorations class with Bruce Kutney.



11:15am

While on his lunch break, Addam goes to the library to work on Business Management homework.



11:40am

Returning from lunch, Addam jokes around with Business Management teacher Dan Knechtel.



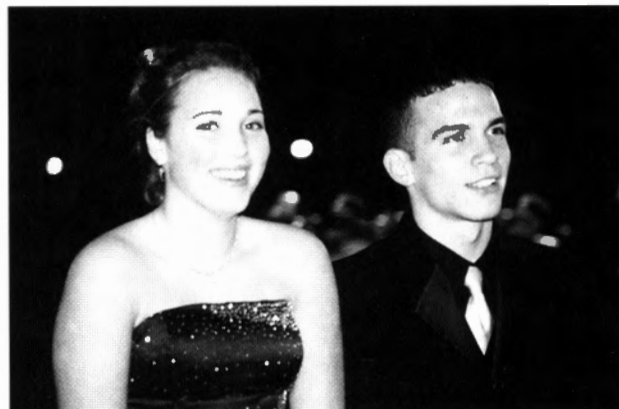
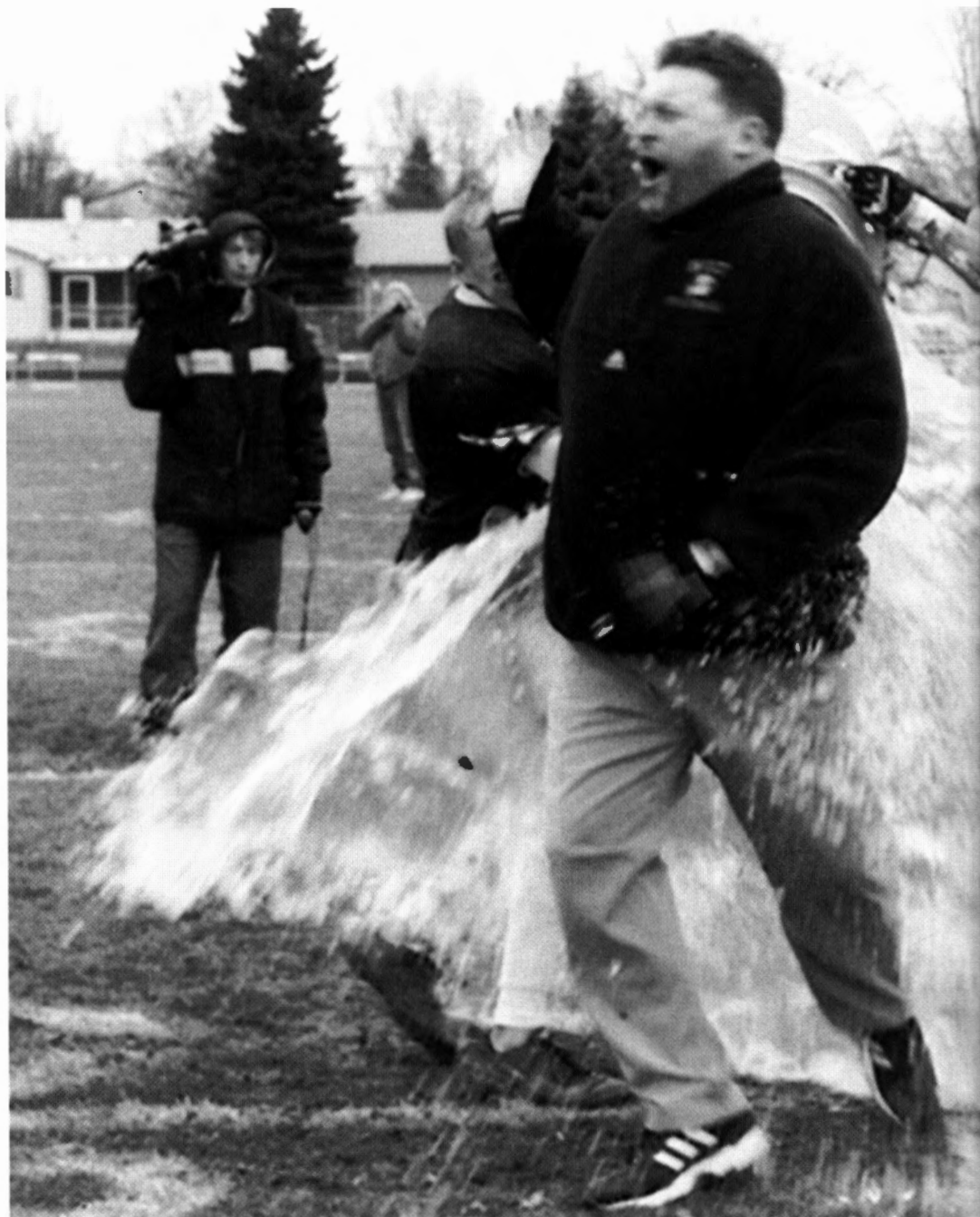
1:45pm

Since marching band is over drumline major Addam, now he can practice his saxophone.



2:35pm

Addam walks through the doors to leave a hard day worth of school work.



Passing by on the Homecoming car are senior representatives **Robi Bare** and **Tommy Fellows**.
Photo by Jenny Christensen



Listening in the stand, you can hear junior **Anthony Updyke** use his energy to play his trombone.
Photo by Christine Beno



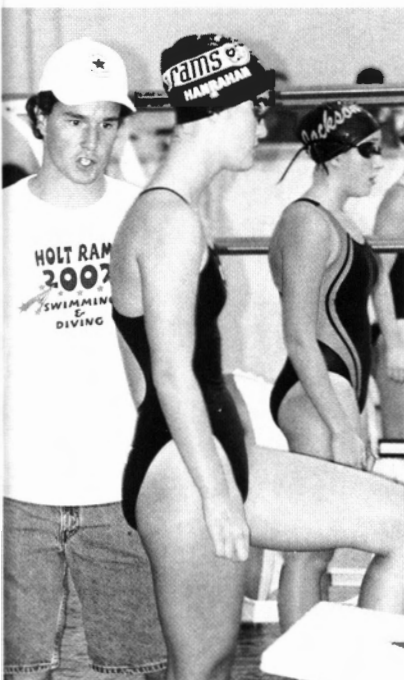
Here comes that H₂O for Coach Smith from varsity football player Brian Munchbach. Smith was drenched after winning 24-21 against the Ann Arbor Pioneers to take the team further to the regional championship. Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky

After you think you have finished with all your summer sweat, you still have more to come: more laps to swim or run and more passes to throw or catch. During the fall, all sports and activities are getting ready for one thing... to achieve!

With practices and rehearsals going on day after day, the students get tired. But all that practice gets the players ready to win. With the girls cross country team undefeated yet again, along with the swim team taking the CAC championship, they have worked hard for yet another season. The soccer team has had to rebuild themselves for a new year, but kept their winning record of 11-8-3. "I would say that this year we had great fall teams. We won a lot of games and

Dedicated to Achieve

by Anna Martinez



Instructing junior Maureen Hanrahan before she leaps off to swim is coach Brent Pohlonski. Photo by Okemos Studio

championships, and even the teams who didn't take home a championship, worked very hard," said athletic director Rick Schmidt.

Not only have the sports been working hard, but so have other activities. The National Honor Society has helped: from putting together treats and drinks for parent-teacher conferences to giving kids a coat with their annual "Give A Kid A Coat" campaign. Students throughout the school help in one way or another. Whether they're a team member supporting the school's winning record or a NHS member helping out a family, students are devoting their time.

Lucky Charms, Captain Crunch, Fruity Pebbles and Count Chocula might sound like something you had for breakfast this morning or they might bring back the thought of the themes for the 2002 Homecoming floats.

Before the week even started, seniors anticipated the excitement by tie-dying t-shirts brown and gold. This has been a senior tradition for many years. The weather this year wasn't the best, but that didn't stop the fun people had. "It was cold and rainy but it was worth being around my senior friends," said senior Caitlin Rogell. Her best friend Leslie Cleveland added, "Even though all of us haven't been friends we still came together as a class and tie-dyed shirts for Homecoming, still having a good time."

As the week progressed, seniors, juniors and sophomores all showed their school spirit by dressing up for each spirit day. The days were farmer day, costume day, theme day, glamour day, and class color day. Some students chose only to dress up on a few days, while others went all out every day. "It was really fun because it's my last year to do it. I'm a senior and I don't care what people think," said senior Courtney Baylis.

Students in every grade could feel the intense competition during the week, especially when it came to the float building. The floats are judged on many things including pertinence of theme, construction quality, creativity, overall appearance, student participation/show of spirit and connection to the game. The senior class did all of this, helping them to win first place, then came the juniors with second place, sophomores with third place and the freshman with fourth place.

Another focal point of the week is the hall decorating. There wasn't as much participation as in previous years. "This year for hall decorating the seniors had the best turn out. We really came together to make a great hall," said senior Krista Bollert.

Sophomores **Ashley Duffy** and **Nicole Drolett** paper mache the club that Bam Bam would hold in their float. Sophomores recieved third place on their Fruity Pebbles float. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



Tracing letters to spell out Lucky Charms is senior **Zack Templin**. All the participating seniors had many different tasks in order to complete the winning float. Photo by Jenny Christensen



Working hard on Day 2 of float building, seniors thread colorful pieces of plastic table cloth through chicken wire to make the Lucky Charms rainbow. The rainbow was the center of the float. Photo by Jenny Christensen



Senior **Nicole Green** helps to construct the Lucky Charms float. Nicole was one of the many seniors who devoted a majority of their time to homecoming week. Photo by Jenny Christensen

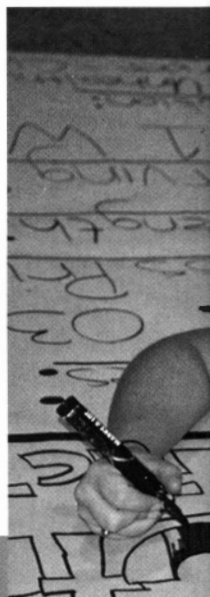


Spooning up the

Spirit

by **kelly briggs & jenny christensen**

Proudly displaying her senior crown, **Ashley Shook** mocks the nutrition facts in cereal by writing the nutrition facts of a average senior. Photo by Jenny Christensen





Assisting with the duct tape, sophomore **Katie Knop** helps to decorate the float with letters.

"Everyone came together to help make the float great. It was really fun and I'll continue to help in up coming years" said Knop.

Photo by Dani Dimmitt



Junior Kenny Fellows steadily cuts chicken wire while **Phil Daneff, Heather Ott, and Becca Robbins** look on. The junior class constructed their float at Duling Farms. *Photo by Beth Keyes*



Working on a never-ending job, juniors **Brooke Tice and Sally Powers** build the Cap'n Crunch berries. On the last day, the juniors hurried to finish their float by the deadline. *Photo by Beth Keyes*



In order to prepare for the early morning hall decorating, seniors **Cortney Duval, Ashley Shook, Kristin McCulloh and Jessica Schouten** write the entire senior class's names on four-leaf clovers.

Photo by Jenny Christensen



Dressing Up



Role playing on costume day are senior **Lindsay Enos** and sophomore **Joseph Toth**. Costume day seemed to be the most popular spirit day of the week. *Photo by Jenny Christensen*



In line getting condiments for her lunch, junior **Randi Wiggington**, shows her school spirit by dressing up as a bear. Randi participated enthusiastically throughout the whole week. *Photo by Jenny Christensen*



At the homecoming pep rally many games were played. The favorite game would be the tug of war between classes and teachers. This year the seniors were victorious and blew the competition out of the water. Photo by Dani Dimmitt

Homecoming hosts Racquel Ankney and Josh Schinkel belt out "seniors" to help get the rally going. Activities during the rally involved balloon popping, digging your feet into cereal, and the homecoming court relay. Photo by Dani Dimmitt

Stephanie Waypa cheers on the football team during Homecoming. Rams went on to win 41 to 16 over Sexton. Photo by Jenny Christensen

Former King and Queen stand with this year's winners Megan Pipkens and Josh Schinkel. Photo by Jenny Christensen



Seniors Amanda Harris and Lindsay Enos talk about the season of cheerleading in Holt. They mentioned how great the team got along this year. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



Student body president Andy Kenney and Christine Dykeman show off the \$1,000 check for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. The money was raised by student council. Photo by Jenny Christensen



Captains Justin Fudge, Chad Smith, and Chris Smith give the low down on the soccer season. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



Going for the gold and proudly raising Holt's flag are seniors Mike Fobbe and Joe Bescey. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



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Finally the day of Homecoming arrives. Everyone proudly shows off their class colors as they head off to the football field for the pep rally. Team captains of all fall sports were introduced and they boasted about their seasons.

The dance team and cheerleading squad both performed new material, the court was announced, and many games were played. Everyone left the field with high spirits. Many people showed up for the parade, but unfortunately a tornado watch was announced and everyone was crammed into the high school gym. "All the hard work went right out the window," said senior Katy Tink.

Soon, the weather cleared up and in its place were two beautiful full rainbows. Those streaks of color in the sky gave people hope for that night's game. "It seemed almost like a coincidence that we had a double rainbow, because the seniors who had the Lucky Charms float won in the float building competition," said senior Amanda Harris.

Halftime arrived and the court was presented. They all looked slick and stunning as usual. Many nominees returned from past years to represent that class. The football team continued their great season with a 41-16 win over Sexton.

They watched in amazement

by shawn jackson

hello dolly

a musical

by Ashley Loveall and Danielle Burt

The magical melodies of "Hello Dolly" rang through the auditorium. "Practices turned out really good because everyone came together and overcame their difficulties," commented senior Holly Nelson of the practices after school. The

practices may have left both actors and crew with homework piled up to start at 11:00 at night, but they all agree that it payed off!

But behind the wigs, costumes, and makeup shined the togetherness of the cast "We were like a big happy family. When someone had a problem we always came together to help them," senior Holly Nelson said about the closeness of the cast. How could they become so bonded? "We were so close because we spent a lot of time together.. But we had a lot of fun also," explained senior Holly Nelson.

Being in the musical gave many lots of memories to have after high school. "On one of the afternoon runs, I was walking down the stairs but the bottom of the dress wouldn't come with me; it got stuck on the top step. I would say that was pretty embarrassing," said senior Holly Nelson.

It is virtually impossible to find someone who will say they regret being in the musical. But you would find some that would say they

wish they would have done the past musicals. "Last year's musical was very good, there was a lot of really good singing and dancing and I just wish I would have been a part of it," admitted senior Jenny Christensen.



1 Senior Mark Peterson enjoys Buffalo's Southwest Cafe's chicken wings after a hard night's work in the company of fellow cast members, junior **Serina Mazzoni** and junior **Brandy Donaldson**.

2 Exchanging hats and a little advice on dating are senior **Krista Bollert** and junior **Elaine Wadell**. In the play the two characters were close friends who often gossiped.

3 Sporting the old man look is junior **Phil Daneff**. Daneff enjoyed listening to his discman while not working hard on stage. Many others used music to prepare to go on stage.

4 Dun Dun Dun-na-na, doing a little omish jig are senior's **D.J. Jonkheere**, **Holly Nelson** and junior **Carly Skubic**. They would often joke about how funny they looked when dressed in their olden day clothes and dancing.

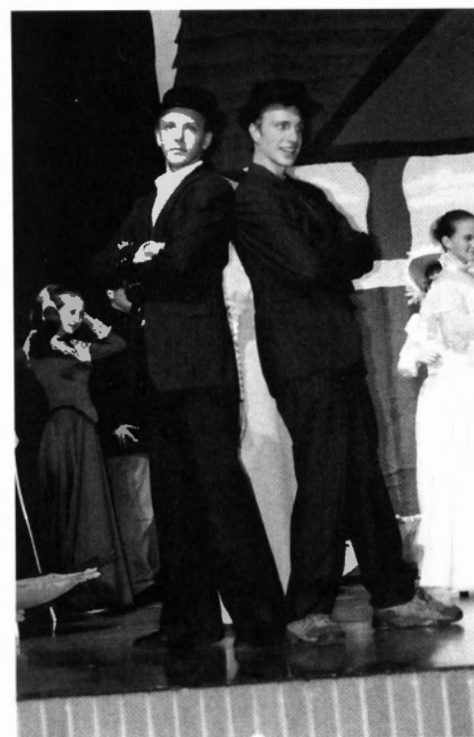
5 You sure would think that the cast members wouldn't be able to keep up their magnificent physiques with all the eating out they did, but they did! The members of the musical went out to eat so much that frequently not everyone would be able to go everytime.

6 Over dinner the cast and crew would reflect on the day's work. They would talk about how to make improvements and which parts needed to be practiced more. Photos by Danielle Burt and Holly Nelson

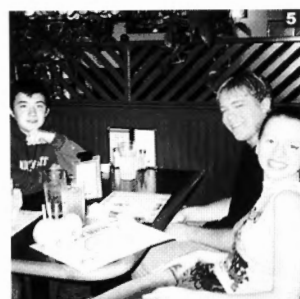
What do you want to order? Hanging out while waiting to go on stage for the restaurant scene are seniors

Kristen McCulloh and **Brandon Wilson**.

Photo by Danielle Burt



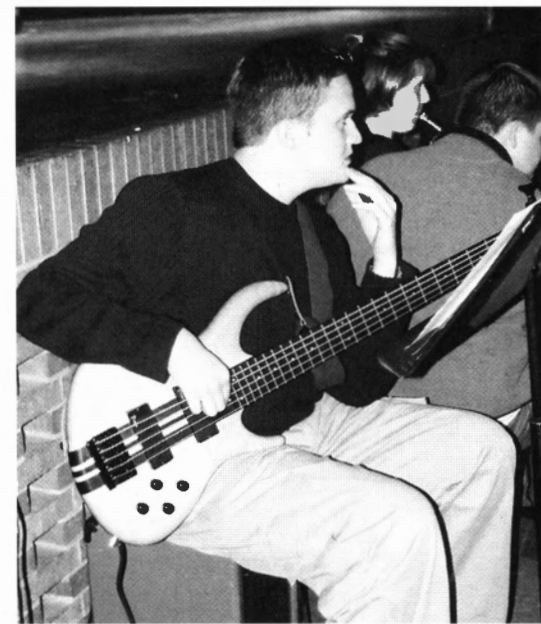
Waiting to take the train out of town, seniors **Josh Roznowski** and **Mark Peterson** finished up their performance of "Put on your Sunday Clothes." Photo by Danielle Burt





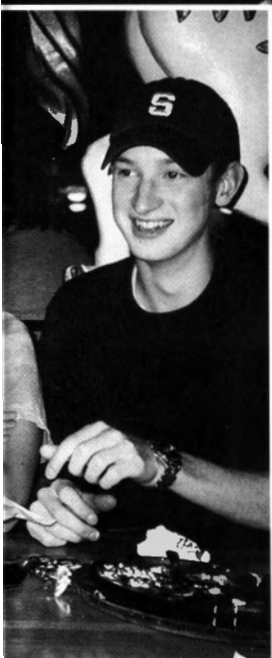
Hands clasped and big bright smiles, the two get ready to brave the stage. Senior **Holly Nelson** and junior **Carly Skubic** joke around to lighten the atmosphere before the big show. *Photo by Danielle Burt*

Exchanging polite conversation over a cup of imaginary tea are seniors **Josh Roznowski**, **Krista Bollert**, **Mark Peterson** and junior **Elaine Wadell**. *Photo by Danielle Burt*



Where would a musical be without music? No where! Senior **Matt Trubac** was one of the many members of the pit band who took time out of their busy schudules to help. Trubac plays the bass. *Photo by Danielle Burt*

Cast and crew go out for dinner after working hard at rehearsal. Most of the members didn't even bother to remove their make-up first. *Photo by Danielle Burt*



At yet another cast and crew outing, seniors **Josh Roznowski**, **Paula Hicks**, and **D.J. Johnkheere** goof around while eating good in the neighborhood. All three friends enjoy hanging out aside from their time spent working on the musical. *Photo by Holly Nelson*

**Everything
has to be
finished
when...**

Time's up

by Jennie Andrews

Roaming the halls and flashing press passes at security guards, the publication classes may seem like a fun way to get out of class, but there are deadlines that have to be met. Some students take on the challenge of many publication classes; senior Shawn Jackson is taking all four of the publication classes offered at the high school, Web Publishing, Journalism, Yearbook, and Media and Society. "Making deadlines can get confusing because I have so many," said Jackson who is the editor in chief of the school newspaper.

While this may seem like a stressful situation with deadlines to meet and students and teachers to please, the publication students don't let the stress get to them, "I just spread my work out instead of doing it all at one time," said senior newspaper staff member Chris Richards.

In October students from Web Publishing, Journalism, and Yearbook had the opportunity to spend a day together at the annual MIPA (Michigan Interscholastic Press Association) conference. The conference offers a variety of sessions that ranged from Photoshop Tips and Tricks, to Design Trends A-Z, to Caption Writing. Students enjoyed the opportunity to get out of class for a day learn more about publications, "I would want to go to the MIPA conference again next year so I can get new ideas and new points of view," said sophomore yearbook staff member Ben Berry.

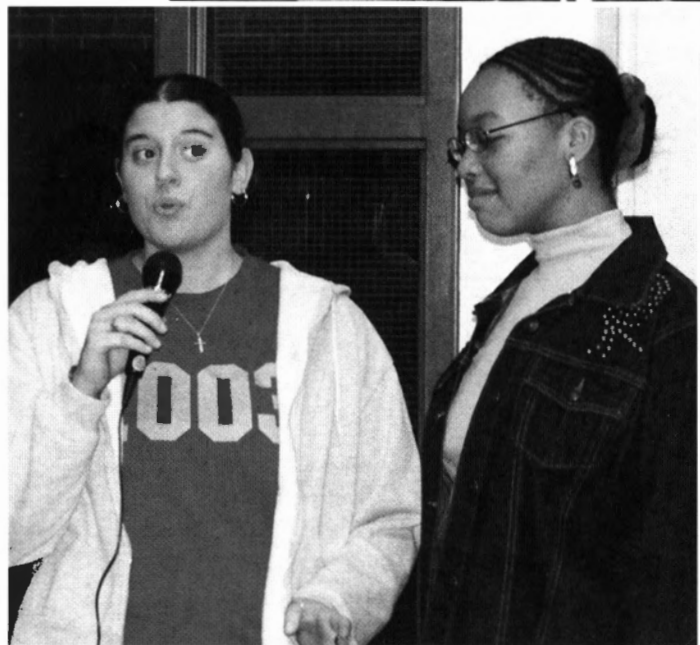
While this may sound like a lot of stress to some, the students in the publishing classes agree that it's worth the stress, "Although sometimes I feel stressed out, I enjoy seeing my work published, plus the experience will help me with my future career plans," said senior web publishing and journalism student Jessica Schouten.

During lunch senior **Holly Nelson** films students for Media and Society. "The deadlines we had were hard to meet since we only had one computer, so it took a long time to edit the film," said Nelson.

Photo by Shawn Jackson

Filling in a Media and Society student **Josh Schinkel** about how the yearbook is going are seniors **Jessica DeRosa** and **Gia Parker**. "We were representin' the yearbook staff, because everyone in the class works really hard, and they deserve to be appreciated," said DeRosa and Parker.

Photo by Christine Beno



Lessons from the MIPA conference



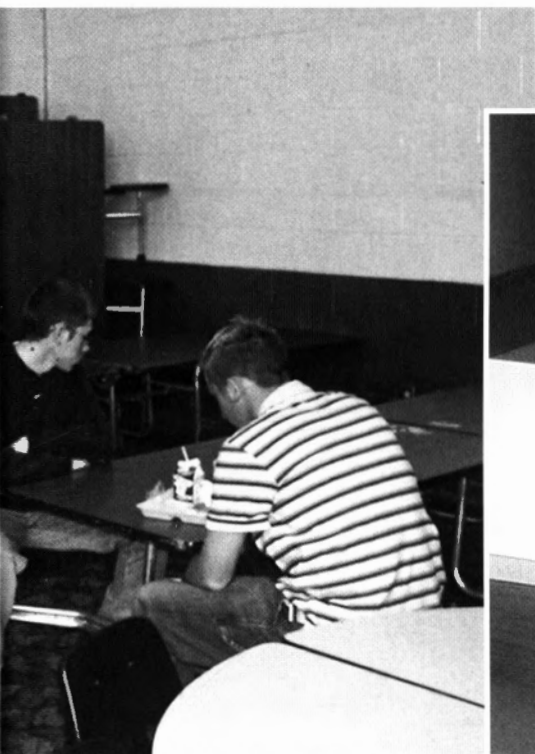
“I learned a lot about photography, and what makes a good photo.”
~ senior Andy Kenney with senior Josh Schinkel



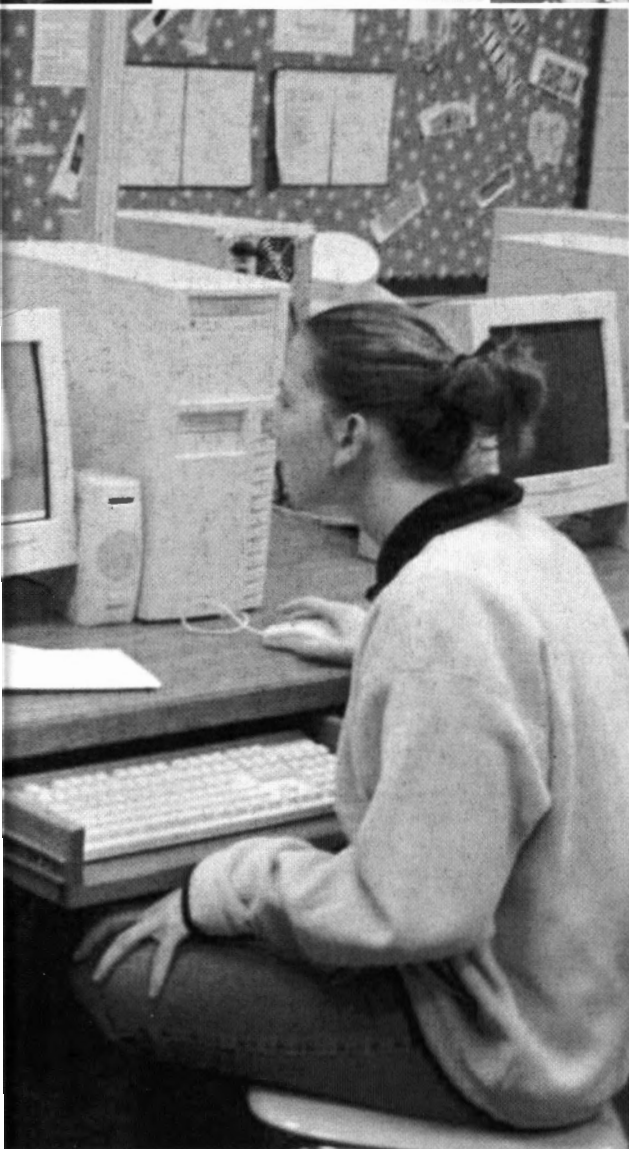
“I learned a lot about the Adobe Photoshop program, they showed us how to manipulate images.”
~ senior Aaron Robinson with senior Zack Templin.



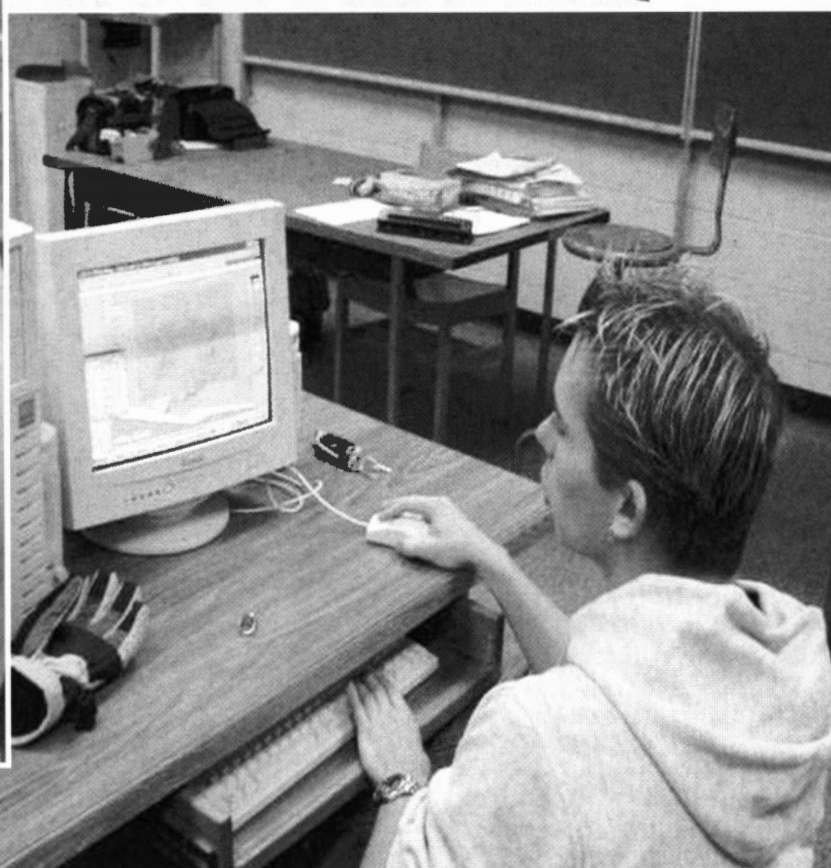
“I got a lot of new ideas of how we can make the yearbook look more visually appealing.”
~ senior Danielle Burt with senior Jennie Andrews



Proof reading a monthly copy of the Ramparts newspaper is junior Jennie Hill. "I don't get stressed about meeting deadlines, I try and always do my stories ahead so that I don't get behind," said Hill. *Photo by Shawn Jackson.*



Center: Not letting the stress of Web Publishing get to her is senior Jaymee Scott. "It's not a stressful class, you can just do it at your own pace," said Scott. *Photo by Shawn Jackson.*



Adding finishing touches to the high school web page is senior Paul O'Berry. "Deadlines are hard because we have pressure from the faculty and the students. Everyone wants us to get things online and wants to know when pages will be done. It's hard to balance creating a quality page and creating the page quickly," said O'Berry. *Photo by Shawn Jackson*



The drumline is a very important part of band. They keep the beat, and practice during the summer and on Wednesday mornings. Photo by Michelle Hoffman



In the middle of the band, Jessica Horn on the melaphone, Mike Souders on the trumpet, and Emily Wise on the trombone play their solo. The three had to compete against everyone at band camp for the opportunity to play the solo during halftime shows. Photo by Penny Wise.

On the last day of band camp all of the bands perform for their parents and onlookers. If driving through MSU campus during band camp week you would see the lawns coated with shiny instruments and exhausted high schoolers. Photo by Penny Wise



All spiffed up for the big light show, senior Matt Smith goes to great lengths to make sure he looks good. Photo by Danielle Burt



Band memebers are never afraid to Toot Their Horns

by Ashley Loveall

When you hear about "The Band," you probably don't think of individuals; you just think of a giant mass of people who play instruments. But in reality each band member is very unique and maybe a little crazy. Band students overall are outspoken and fun loving individuals. Everyone who's in band knows everyone else, and that is not an easy task with about 200 students in all.

Most likely everybody knows each other because of all the time they spend with one another for all their high school and pre-high school years. Band camp is definitely one of those bonding experiences. "When you are with people for a whole week nonstop, you find out what they are really like," explained senior Emily Wise, a trombone player. Stories of band camp are usually a great source of entertainment for years to come. For example, some people get saran wrapped to chairs, others drink strange concoctions of various things from the MSU cafeteria; many more bizarre events are guarenteed with the band. Band camp tends to be a bonding experience for all involved, and the last night the mock awards are rewarded during a party. Awards are given to students by the chaperones, most of whom are MSU students.

"All in all, band is one unforgettable life experience," concluded senior Ruth Anderson. From camp to marching season to concert to symphonic, the band grows together with many life-long lessons learned and friendships made.



Laughing before the light show is sophomore Katie Wachter and junior Serina Mazzoni. These two aren't nervous at all since they have already performed in many light shows, and have attended most of the mandatory band practices on Wednesday nights. Photo by Danielle Burt

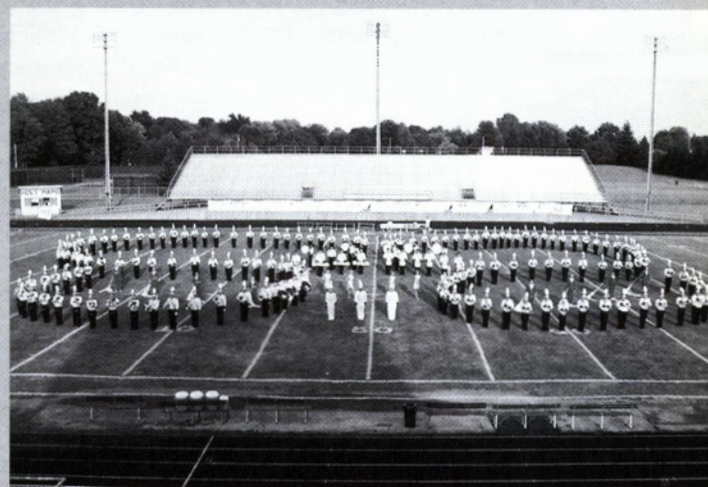


Hooo aaaahh! That is the call of Louis the Monkey. Senior **Emily Wise** strokes fellow senior **Stephen Ancona** with Louis' soft paw at the trombones' Halloween party. Photo by Ashley Loveall



Jamming before the performance are three music-loving saxophone players. Photo by Danielle Burt

Set up for their group photo, the band members are in a ram formation which the band members have lovingly dubbed "the ovaries." Photo by Michelle Hoffman



Looking a little naughty, senior **Spencer Long** shows off his intricate system of lights for his tuba and himself. Photo by Danielle Burt



Every Memorial Day, the band marches and plays in the parade. On less formal occasions like parades and band camp performances, the uniform is a white t-shirt and jeans. Photo by Penny Wise

Know the bands...



Name: The Jam
Members: Cody Serna and Phill Vosburgh
How long they've been together: 1 month
Inspirations: Sublime



Name: Soup's Kitchen
Members: Tom Griffith, Steve Wulff, BJ and Addam Ayala and Gary Cimmerer
How long they've been together: 1 year
Inspirations: Phish



Name: Dykstra
Members: Jeremiah Cooper, Nick Batora, and Brent White
How long they've been together: 10 months
Inspirations: The Used



Name: JonesDay
Members: Mike Schartow, Jake Reed, Josh Schinkel, and Kevin Brydges
How long they've been together: 11 months
Inspirations: Jimmy Eat World

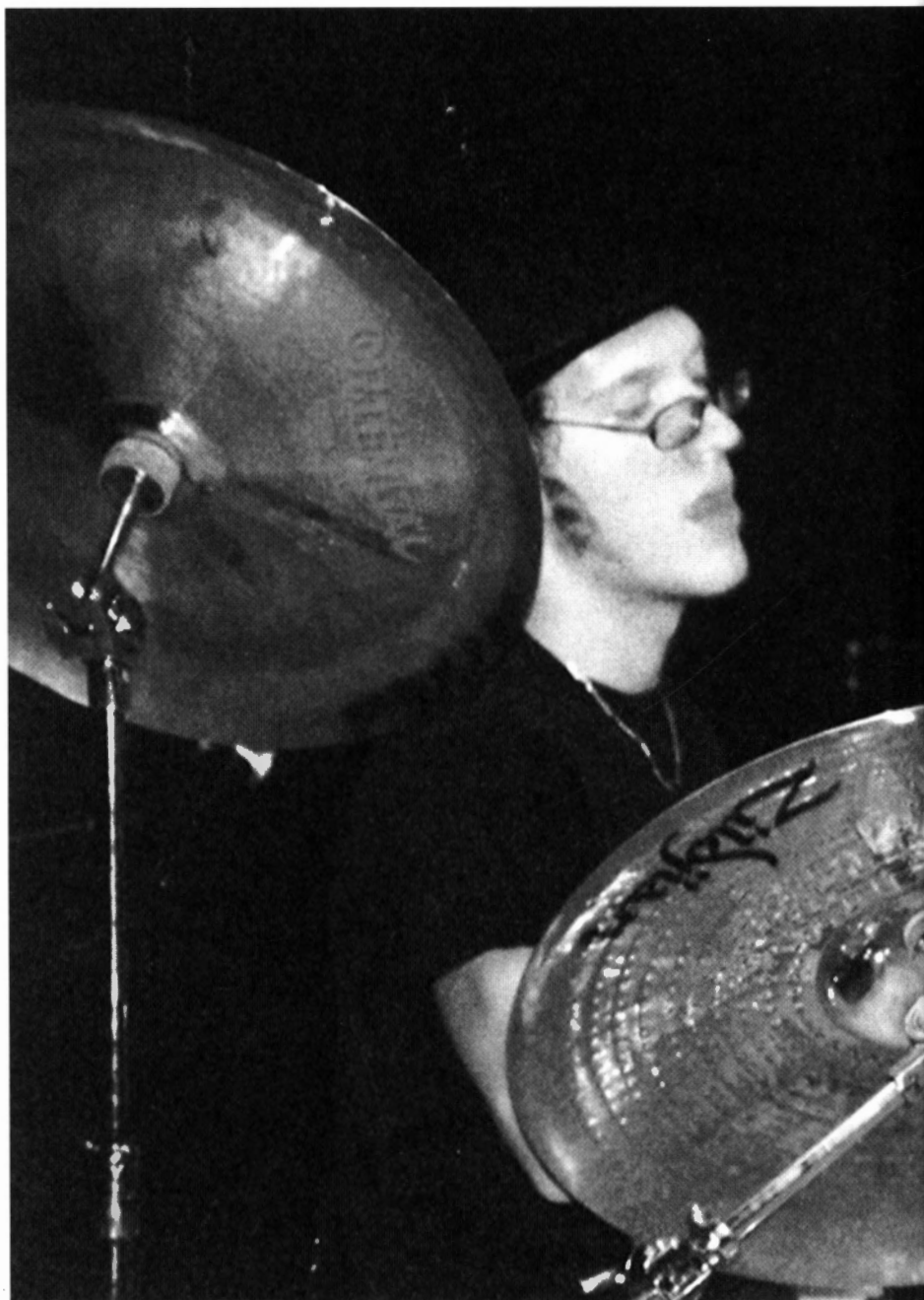
When your favorite concert just sold out, the Battle of the Bands might just be...

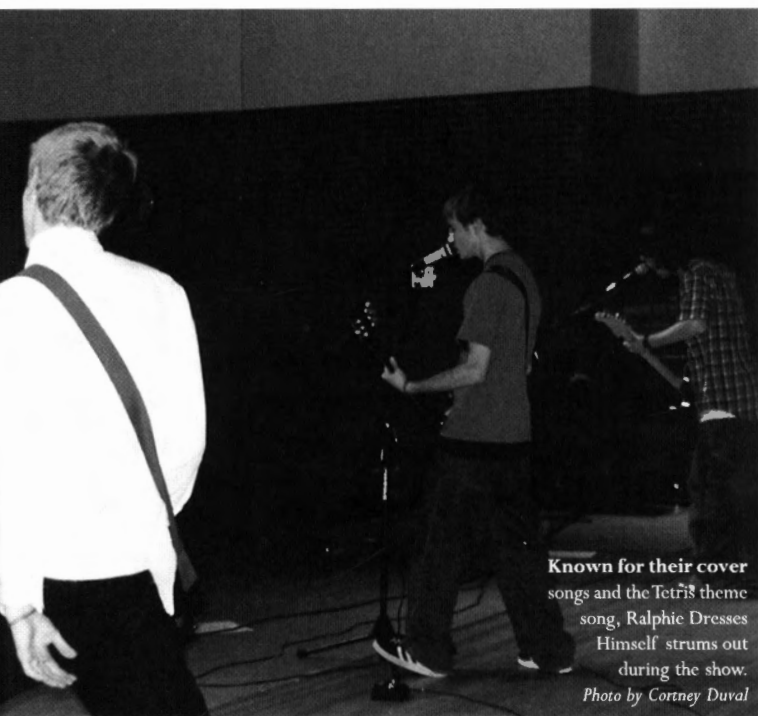
The Next Best Thing

by Cortney Duval

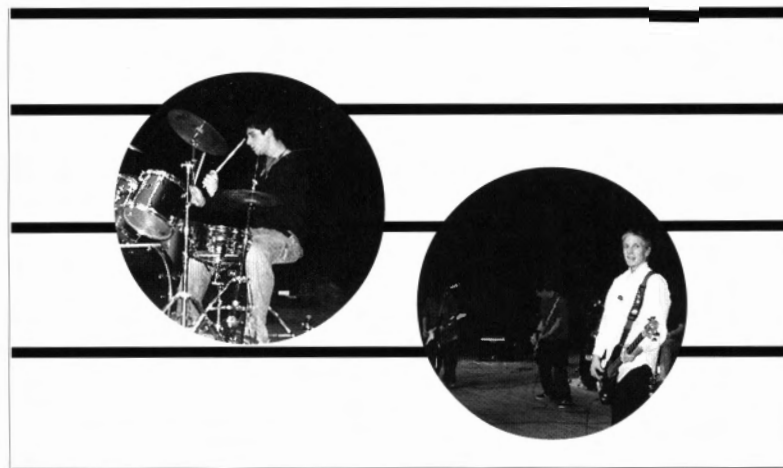
People all over the world today have found music to be their haven. It's been around since the beginning of time. The Battle of the Bands, however, has only been around for two years at Holt. For the past two years, senior Kristin McCulloh from Student Council has been the one who has put it together with the help of advisors Sue Kenney and Matt Trunk.

This year the show was judged by three teachers: Ryan Ray, Craig Huhn, and Sean Carmody; and an unbiased graduate from Holt: Josh Wilkinson, as opposed to last year when the audience voted. The winner of the six bands in the battle was Soup's Kitchen. They were last to play, but certainly not the least. And while there wasn't a Grammy Award to first place, the winners received a free demo from Lighthouse Recording Studios in Dimondale.





Known for their cover songs and the Tetris theme song, Ralphie Dresses Himself strums out during the show.
Photo by Cortney Duval



Name: Someday Soon
Members: David Dionise, Jared Moyer, Drew Dykhuizen, and Britton Mailand
How long they've been together: 4 months
Inspirations: Further Seems Forever

Name: Ralphie Dresses Himself
Members: Brandon Johnson, Steve Brower, Josh Schinkel, and Ben Keeler
How long they've been together: 3 years
Inspirations: Alkaline Trio



As the only sophomore band to play, Dykstra was first in line. *Photo by Cortney Duval*

Playing their mix of Blink 182 inspired punk rock music, Someday Soon's basist **Drew Dykhuizen** jams to their song **Lirva**, a song about **Britton Mailand's** love for Avril Lavigne.
Photo by Cortney Duval

Finding music to be one of his favorite hobbies, senior **Steve Wulff** drums away. He also enjoys sharing music by giving drum lessons and singing in the choir. *Photo by Cortney Duval*

They may not have the same profiles, but these celebrity look-a-likes could be considered...

Almost

Famous

By Cortney Duval

Most everyone has heard that everyone has a twin somewhere in the world. To put this theory to the test, we found students and teachers here at Holt who could be mistaken for a celebrity's long-lost twin. Sometimes, however, it is not quite taken as a compliment. For instance when Mary Kay Boulanger is compared to the used-to-be popular talk show host Ricci Lake, she practically cringes: "I hate being told that I look Like Ricci Lake, I mean who wants to be told that?" Others have heard about their look-a-likes so much, it doesn't even phase them. "I guess I'm used to it. It was funny at first, now I just expect someone to say something," says junior Ian Graham.

Whether or not these so-called celebrity look-a-likes are rolling in the dough, they do have their looks which make them...almost famous.



Staci Almeida and Natalie Portman



Ian Graham and Drew Carey



Paige Klaver and Avril Lavigne

Who would you most like to look like?

you said...



Jennifer Aniston



Ben Affleck



Sandra Bullock



Jack Nicholson and Jerry Gillett



Jessica Alba and Jenna Zolnai



Christian Olsen and Thomas Malone



Sandra Bullock and Raquel Llinas

***"People say I
look like Mena
Suvari."***

~Katie Ross

***"I think I look
like Aaliyah."***

~Gia Parker

Who would you least like to look like?

you said...

***Christina
Aguilera***

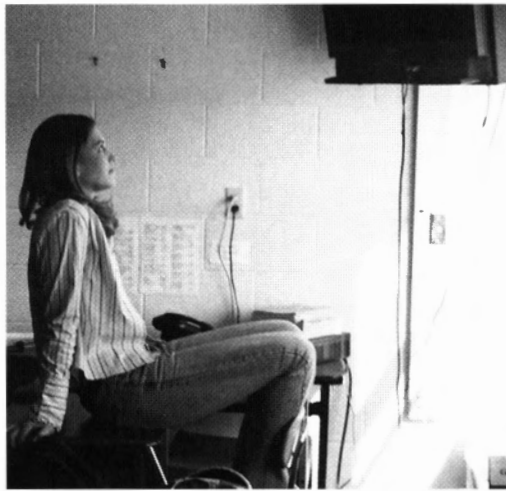


***Michael
Jackson***



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**Students
tune in
when...**



Reality hits

ARE YOU BEING SWEEPED UP?

by kelly briggs & jenny christensen article by jessica schouten

Reality or not, the new wave of real life T.V. is sweeping the nation. From munching plants on *Survivor*, to picking your soul mate on the *Bachelor*, people everywhere find themselves glued to the T.V. over the latest craze. "The reason they are so popular right now is because they are interesting and are based on the lives of everyday people who we can compare with," said sophomore Sarah Smith.

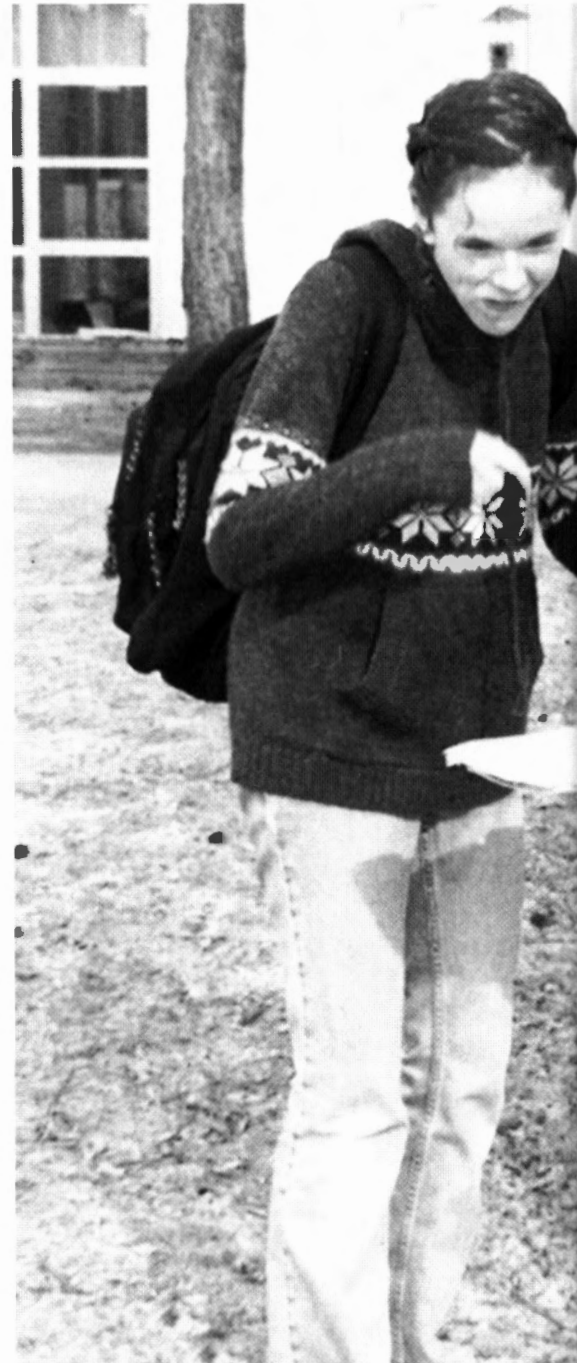
The swooning over such shows began with *Survivor*, which aired for the first time about three years ago and is predicted to continue for many to come. Among the top rated reality series is *American Idol*, the show where contestants go against all odds to prove to judges and people across the nation that they are "America's Idol." The show airs on Tuesdays at 8:00 P.M. and Wednesdays at 8:30 P.M. "The show is so catchy, you always want to find out who goes through to the next round, and just hear all their talent," said Smith.

One of the oldest and still most popular reality series, especially among the students at Holt High School is *MTV's The RealWorld*, which airs Tuesday nights at 10:00 P.M. It has been on the air for 12 seasons, and is still as popular as when it first came out. "It's really a great show; it has been on for a long time. I think it's funny to see all the arguments and drama between the cast. You can tell it how the people truly are; it's not staged," said senior Anna Martinez.

Such shows as *The Bachelor* and *Joe Millionaire*, along with *TLC's Trading Spaces*, *A Wedding Story*, and *A Baby Story*, do a good job of attracting the female attention, but the show that appeals most to the guys at Holt High School is the one and only *Fear Factor*. "I think the reason people like *Fear Factor* more than other shows is because you see people doing crazy things that they wouldn't normally do in everyday life. You find yourself thinking about whether or not you would do it," said junior Danny Rarick.

The obsessions over the reality shows are not fading out anytime soon. In fact, there are more than 13 new reality shows scheduled to come out between February and summer Of 2003.

Senior Jessica Schouten watches her favorite reality show. Not only does she watch the reality shows, but she writes about them, too, as our guest writer.
Photo by Jenny Christensen



Bending over their pretend *Amazing Race* map, seniors **Leslie Cleveland** and **Krista Bollert** look for their next destination. Both girls were weekly watchers. Photo by Jenny Christensen

As in the popular show *Joe Millionaire*, senior **Ben Siebert** puts a pearl necklace on junior **Sarah Moule** to mock Evan and one of the 24 girls from the show. Zora was the lucky girl who got the diamond ring in the end. Photo by Jenny Christensen

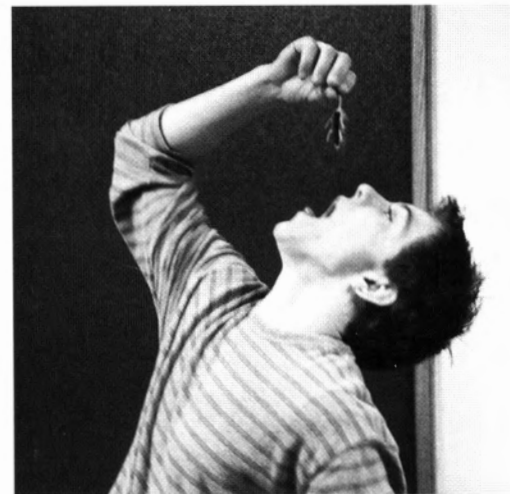




Rubbing sticks together pretending to be a *Survivor* show contestant is senior **Courtney Baylis**. "I watched the show every single week," said Baylis. Photo by Jenny Christensen



Would you eat a rat for \$50,000 dollars like senior **Danny Conklin** is pretending to do? Some people will eat or do anything to get on the *Fear Factor* for money. Photo by Jenny Christensen



"On deadline days, people stop being polite and start getting real," says yearbook editor **Jennifer Cooke**. Some of the 2003 yearbook staff members act like the cast of *RealWorld* and lounge around drinking coffee. Real World was one of the more popular reality shows on MTV. Photo by Jenny Christensen

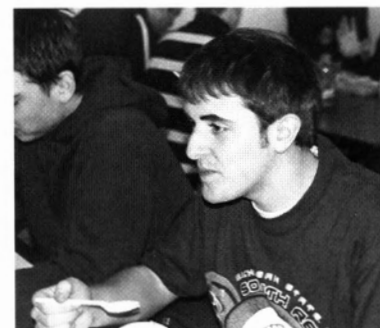
WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE REALITY SHOW?



My favorite reality show is the *Real World* on MTV because it is amusing to watch people fight. I watch it every week.

~Lauren Dyer

Photo by Jenny Christensen

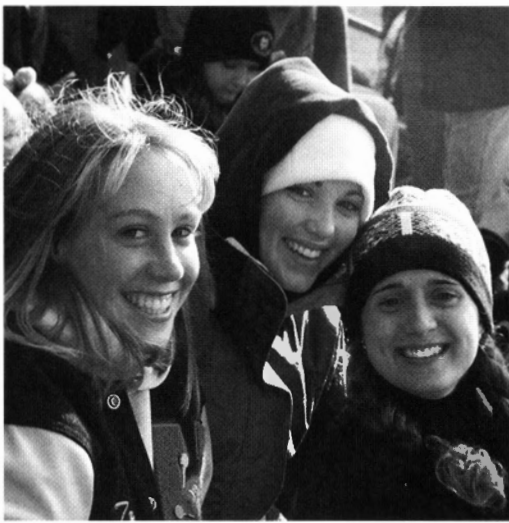


I like *Fear Factor* because of all the crazy stunts that people have to do. I definitely could eat worms for \$50,000.

~Joel Klauka

Photo by Jenny Christensen

Braving the cold weather at the semi-final playoff game against East Kentwood are seniors Tracy Wilburn, Robi Bare, and Annie Malatinsky.
Photo by Jennie Andrews



Giving it up for the team is senior Josh Schinkel at the East Kentwood game.
Photo by Jennie Andrews

Hey fans in the stands... Got the Spirit?

by Jennie Andrews

Maybe students at Holt are one of a kind or maybe they're just plain crazy, but there must be something in the chilly fall air that gets fans out to the stands to cheer on the players. Although the parents all go to the game to cheer on their sons, many don't see the logic behind standing bare-chested out in the cold, but the die-hard fans have a theory: "I'm the captain of the shirtless team. It's all about team spirit; it's a motivational tool. Without us, the team wouldn't have a chance," said senior Matt Mellen.

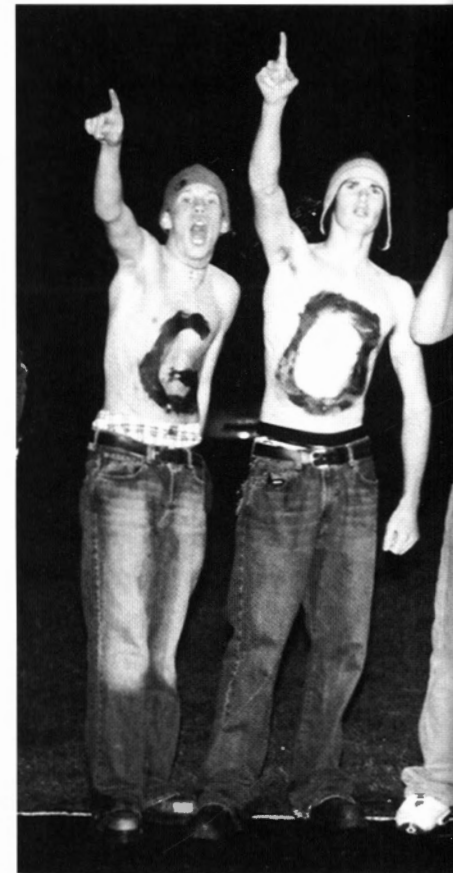
Picture this: seniors Joe Becsey and Marc Braman yelling, "Go Holt!" at the top of their lungs and senior Matt Mellen crushing cans on top of his head. Crazy? No! Just a scene from the finale of the Waverly football game. It's that kind of spirit that helps get the players pumped, knowing over 1,000 screaming fans are behind them. "It helps when we're in a crucial part of the game, like fourth down, and the fans get into it," said senior defensive lineman Adam Barr.

Throughout the season, new traditions have formed: bubbles filled the sky after every touchdown, and caring fans chanted injured linebacker Mike Ward's name from the stands. "It's really cool knowing everyone was my friend, and everyone still cared even though I didn't contribute much to the game," said Ward. Ward's cheer even became a tradition. "We always do the Mike Ward cheer first," said Becsey. Becsey and Braman, along with senior Ryan Carpenter and sophomore John Quasarano, are at every game. "Since eighth grade these players have said they were going to the 'Dome, so we have to go and support the team, the four of us feel it's our duty to be there," said Carpenter.

The spirit train may have gotten rolling at the Waverly game, but it hit a few bumps at the East Lansing game where the students who wanted to stand and cheer were forced to the end of the bleachers away from everyone else to watch the players lose the first of only two losses during conference play. The true fans plowed past the loss onto the next game, and the spirit train picked up speed as it blew through a Homecoming stomp of Sexton and another win over Everett.

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FANATIC FANS



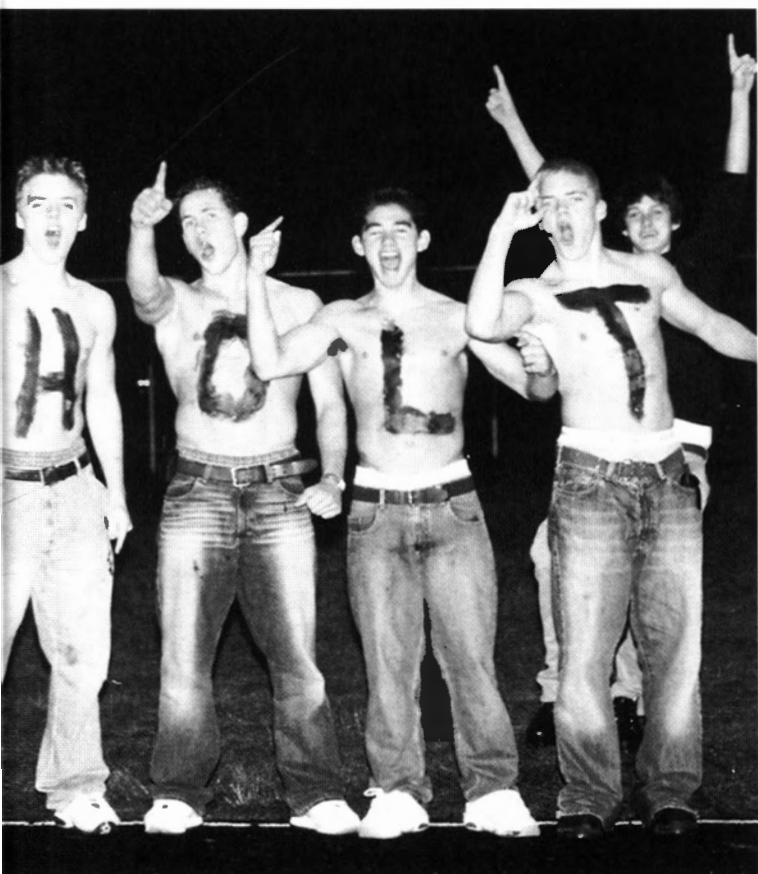
Touchdown! An excited crowd celebrates after a touchdown. "I think the support of the fans at the games show the other team who's boss; it makes their job tougher and gets them off their game," said senior Andy Sohn.

Photo by Jennie Andrews

Cars around Holt started popping up with encouraging words written on them, including this one parked in the student parking lot.
Photo by Jennie Andrews



Letting the other team know who's number one is senior **Joe Bescey**. Bescey showed his support at all of the football games.
Photo by Jennie Andrews



The shirtless team: Thomas Malone, Kyle MacEachern, John Major, Ian Carlson, Ryan Hernandez, and Josh Major show off their school spirit. Most students enjoyed the painted approach to school spirit, "I cheer really loud to see more skin from the shirtless boys," said senior Josh Schinkel.
Photo by Art Brokenshire

GAME TIME must haves

- » Several blankets
- » A cup of hot chocolate
- » Radio headphones to keep track of the MSU football game
- » Hand warmers
- » Two pairs of gloves
- » A warm hat
- » Two pairs of socks
- » Noise Makers
- » Bubbles



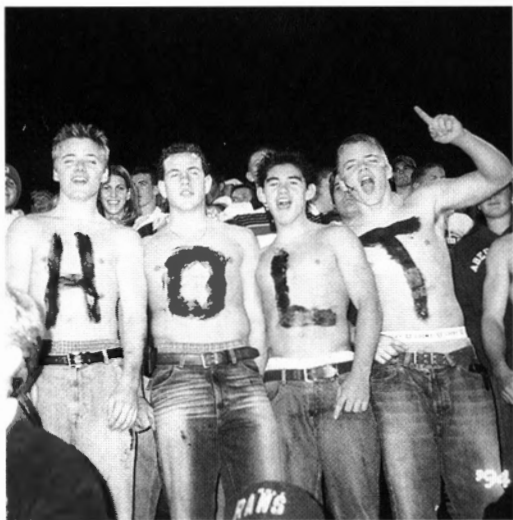


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Outside: Cheering on the football team at the homecoming game is John Major, Ian Carlson, Ryan Hernandez, and Josh Major.

Inside: Showing concern for the players are seniors Nicole Daggy, Racquel Ankney, and Annie Malatinsky.



Taking a masked approach to school spirit is senior Matt Smith. "It was fun when everyone got so pumped up, we never usually have people cheer with us, so when people get into it's fun," said junior cheerleader Jenna Zolnai.

Photo by Michele Hoffman

Let us hear it... Let's Go Rams!

by Jennie Andrews

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The presence of the fans was felt most during the Jackson game, where die-hard, half naked fans joined the cheerleaders down on the track in the freezing cold to yell and cheer to keep the players pumped up. And it worked: the players scored two touchdowns in six minutes one caught by senior Chris Smith in the endzone in the last 47 seconds of the game. "At the Jackson game we were all down, and the fans brought us back up," said sophomore tailback Ryan Doss.

The perfect finale to an almost perfect season wasn't meant to be, with a heartbreaking loss to Grand Ledge. But playoff success was meant to be, and the fans were there every step of the way. Oftentimes the visiting Holt fans made their presence felt more than the home team. "It's awesome that all the guys paint their chests. I don't remember any other years when the fans filled up the stands everywhere we went," said senior running back Cole Malatinsky.

By the end of the season many students had caught football fever; student cars in the parking lot were painted to say, "Let's Go Holt", and "Beat Battle Creek". Even though the trip to the 'Dome was cut short during the semi-final game against East Kentwood. The team will still go down in the record books this year as being among the top four teams in high school Division I football.

This year may be only the beginning of strong school spirit. Some fans have a plan to keep the momentum going, "When Marc, Joe, and Ryan leave," Quasarano said, "I'm going to do some heavy recruiting to take this into the next season."

Rooty Revealed

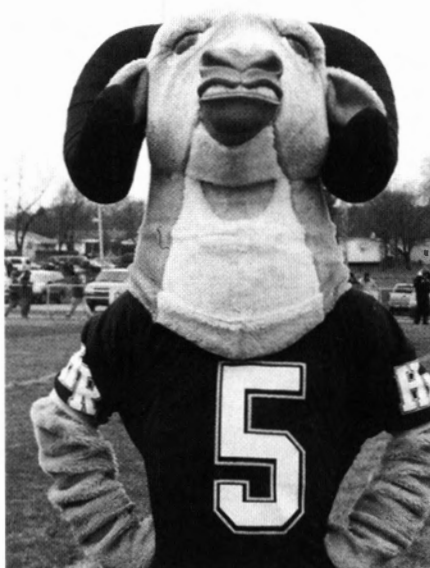


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The Ann Arbor Pioneer game, I had a fight against the mascot. I went over and talked to him first, and we knew we were going to fight so it was all planned out.

~BenTrentham

Inside: Showing support at the East Kentwood game is senior Andy Sohn.

Outside: After stealing signs from the cheerleaders, seniors Marc Braman and Joe Becsey get the crowd pumped up.



Photo by Jennie Andrews



Photo by Jennie Andrews

Superstitions On and Off the Field



Photo by Leah Maier

I don't cut my hair or shave until we lose a game.
~ Stephen Poirier



Photo by Jennie Andrews

I've worn my volleyball sweatshirt to every game except East Lansing and the first Grand Ledge game.
~ Racquel Ankney



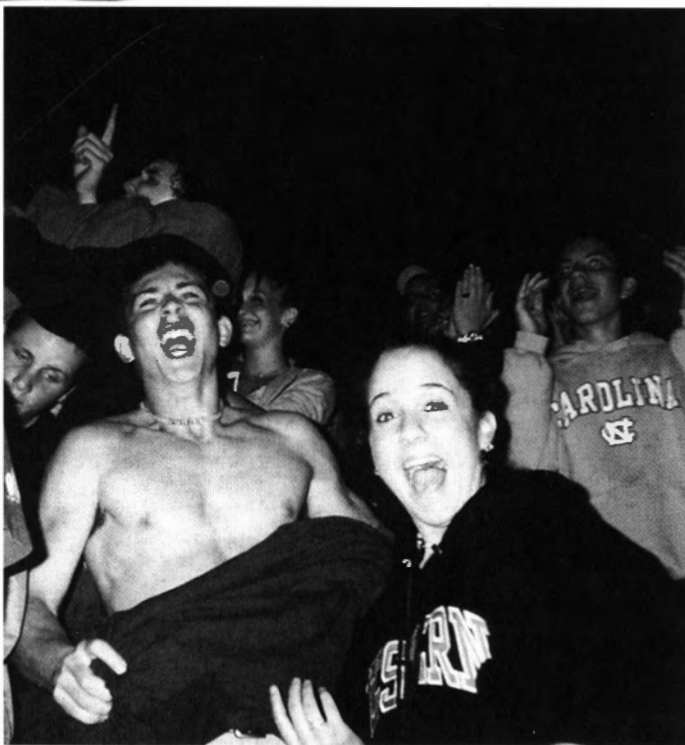
Photo by Leah Maier

Before every game Chris Smith and I have to play catch in the gym.
~ Andy Kenney



Photo by Jennie Andrews

I've worn the same outfit to every game, my wing shirt, my hat, my carhart pants, and my steel-toe boots.
~ Marc Braman



A pumped senior Erika Stasi with senior Mike Fobbe celebrate after a touchdown at the game against Waverly. "The players put in a lot of hard work to get where they got, and they deserve to have fans that are willing to support them," said Fobbe.

Photo by Racquel Ankney

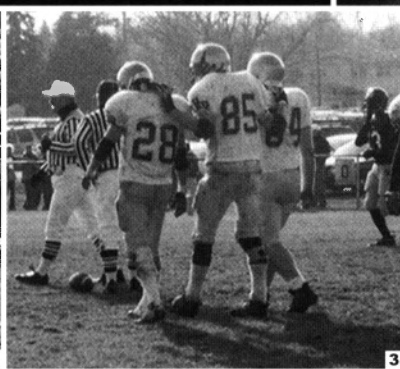
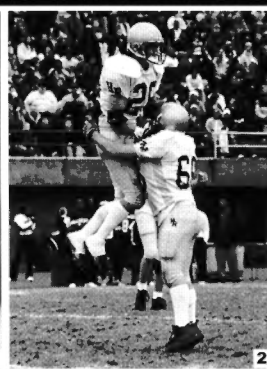
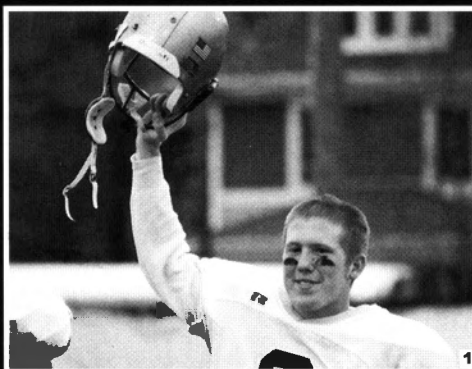


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I just want to clear up the rumor that the East Kentwood mascot didn't break the mask: it broke when I head butted him, and then he hit me so it looked like he broke it.

~ Adam Burmiester

Wanting it
all, including
a trip to the
silverdome,
the varsity
football
team settles
for regional
champs.



striving for THE GOAL

by kristine levondosky and leah maier



"I'm so proud of the boys! They did so well against other opponents. We have great teamwork. I'm really gonna miss my seniors."
~Coach Mike Smith

The sound of the band playing the fight song, the crowd cheering and singing along, this can only mean one thing... It's game time! As the varsity football team runs through the banner, the crowd begins to cheer louder. There were so many people in the stands this year for every game. The whole community turned out to support the boys. "The fans were great: they kept us pumped up and kept us going when we were down," junior Stephen Poirier said gratefully about the fans.

At the start of the season, the team never thought that they would come so far. Many expectations were met and went beyond what they never thought would happen. The first three games were blowouts and the team still won over Waverly, even while playing in the cold and the rain. The biggest upset of the season was what we thought to be our last home game: It was senior night and we were playing our biggest rivals, ol' Grand Ledge. "Grand Ledge has always been known as Holt's biggest rival. It's just a known fact," senior Chris Moreno said. In spite of a valiant effort and numerous drives toward the goal line, the Rams lost 20 to 28. The weather was perfect for the outcome of the game, it was cold and rainy and the boys were down.

Because of their 7 and 2 record, they went on to playoffs, got a second chance, and took their revenge on Grand Ledge, winning 9 to 7 in the last 26 seconds of the game thanks to the touchdown by Mikhail Eisler. Moving on to Battle Creek Central, they dominated the field and took the District Title. Since they beat BCC, they got one more chance to play at Troost Field, and the team was ecstatic. "It was really exciting that we got the chance to play in front of the home crowd. It's going to be a part of the history of Holt," says senior Andy Kenney. The seniors took charge and they won their last game played on home field. The East Kentwood game was truly a challenge for the boys, but they held their own and didn't give up, and they ended the game with a score of 14 to 52. They didn't make it to the 'Dome, but they played hard together as a team and had one of the best seasons since 1995. "At the beginning of the season I was worried about how well we'd work together, but by the end of the year no one was playing for themselves, everyone was playing for each other," senior Matt Masarik recalls of the season.

1 "Before every game I wrote my dad's initials on my belt, that always makes me play harder," senior defensive back Chris Mayes says about his good luck charm.

2 Jumping into junior Stephen Poirier's arms is senior Bryan Munchbach after the victory over BCC of 34 to 8.

3 Giving words of encouragement to his teammates during the E.K. game is senior Brandon Doerr. "I knew that this was going to be our last highschool football game, so I told them to just do their best and play hard."

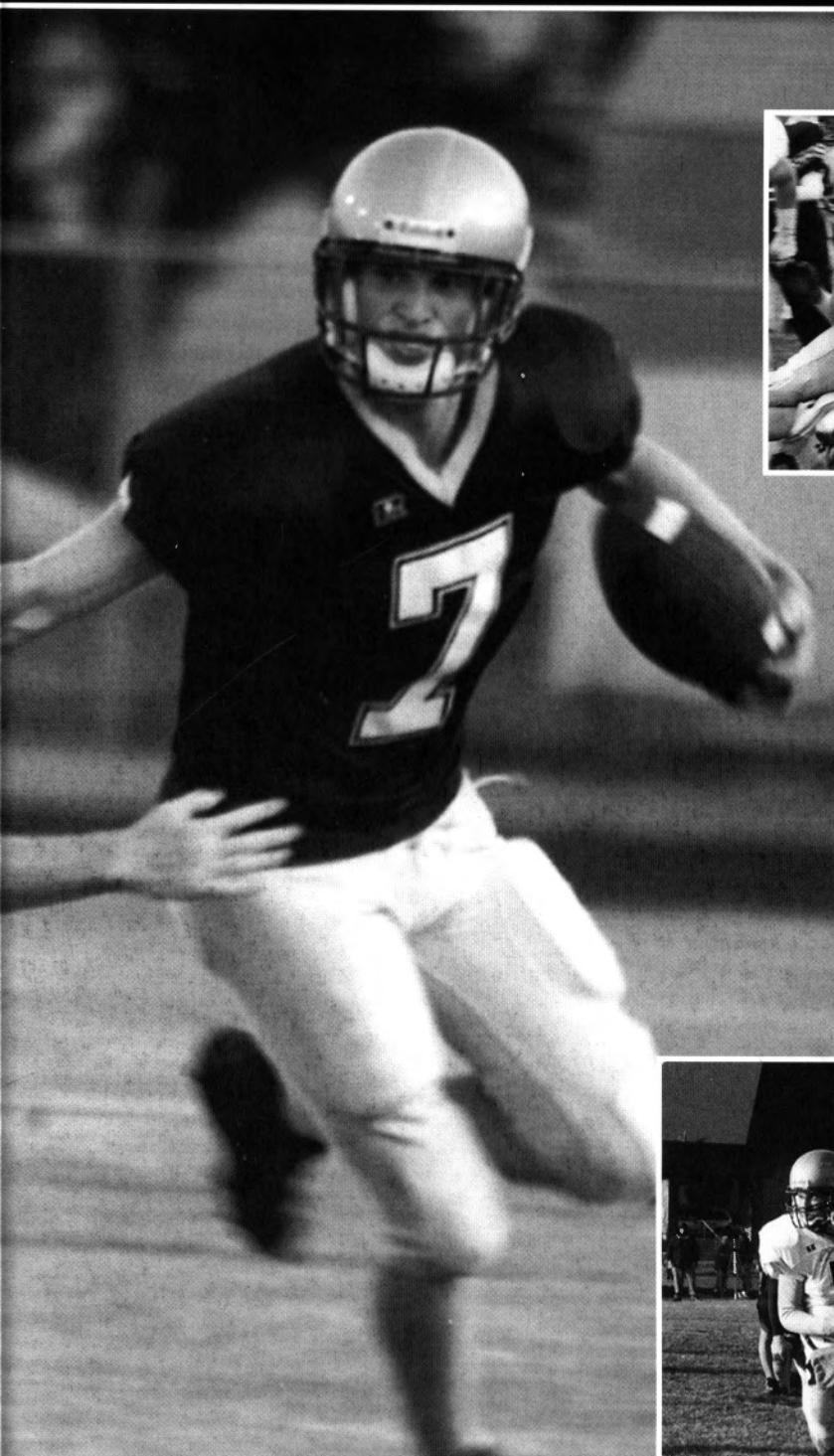
Photos by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky

"I'm always ready for the next play, with my adrenaline pumping because I never know when the ball will come to me," senior Chris Smith recalls about how he felt during the games.

Photo by Michelle Hoffman

- VARSITY football

| | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Okemos | 20-0 |
| Owosso | 20-0 |
| Eastern | 35-7 |
| Waverly | 35-20 |
| East Lansing | 14-26 |
| Sexton | 41-16 |
| Everett | 21-6 |
| Jackson | 20-16 |
| Grand Ledge | 20-28 |
| MHSAA Gr. Ledge | 9-7 |
| MHSAA BC Central | 34-8 |
| MHSAA AA Pioneer | 24-21 |
| MHSAA E. Kentwood | 14-52 |



4 Senior Cole
Malatinsky uses all his strength and energy to make it into the endzone during the BCC game.

5 Walking off the field after a play during the GL game are seniors **Cole Malatinsky, Brandon Doerr**, and **Chris Smith**.

Photos by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky

stepping — UP TO THE LINE —

by jessica keener



Wide receiver **Nick Kintigh** dives into the endzone as he catches the interception while playing Grand Ledge.



Defending his team, wide receiver **Alex Erhardt** prepares for Grand Ledge's stampede. *Photos by Christine Beno*



"Before every game I try to visualize playing well and I keep my emotions intact," says sophomore **Mikhail Eisler** on his pre-game rituals.

Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky

The team celebrates after receiving the District championship title. This has been the first since 1995 that we have done this well.

Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky



JV football

| | |
|--------------|-------|
| Okemos | 24-12 |
| Owosso | 14-30 |
| Eastern | 23-12 |
| Waverly | 0-35 |
| East Lansing | 34-28 |
| Sexton | 24-6 |
| Everett | 0-29 |
| Jackson | 23-20 |
| Grand Ledge | 7-44 |

If you were a cheerleader, would you trust others to hold you up one-handed? These girls do because they are



bonding

THROUGH THE SEASON

by kelly briggs & jenny christensen

vocabulary LESSONS

| | |
|--------------------|--|
| Base | The person who holds up the flyer |
| Backspot | The person who holds onto the flyer and lifts her up |
| Flyer | The person who is held up into the air |
| Elevator | A stunt that is held at the base's chest |
| Extension | A stunt that is held above the base's head |
| Basket Toss | A stunt where the flyer is thrown into the air |
| Russian | A jump where a person does the splits in the air |

Bonding through tryouts, camp, practices and games, the varsity and JV squads have really come together. The year started off with the girls attending Cheer Michigan camp at Eastern Michigan University. "Even though we get no sleep and the food is terrible, a high amount of pep surrounds us the whole week," said junior Mandy Wall. The squads learned cheers, dances and many difficult stunts at camp. Stunting is most girls' favorite part of cheerleading. "As a backspot for stunts, I feel that this position along with basing is very important. These spots make sure the stunts run smoothly and the flyer doesn't hit the ground," said junior Adriane Acker.

Bonding on the squad comes easily for most girls because they have cheered together for so long. For most girls on the squads, cheerleading has been a part of their lives since middle school. Sophomore Sherri Powers said, "I have been cheering since fourth grade. I continue to do it because I get a great workout and the competitions are really fun."

What really helped the girls bond together were the intense workouts they did this summer with their new coach Theresa Dunham. Another way the girls bond is by sleeping over at each others houses and hanging out before and after the games. "We spend so much time together that we're like family," said senior Amanda Harris.

The girls have gotten so close that it shows in their presentation, and they aren't the only ones who have noticed. Athletic director Rick Schmidt summed it up perfectly: "Our cheerleading team is the best in the league, and I don't think this is a biased opinion. They look great when you watch them and they work really hard!"

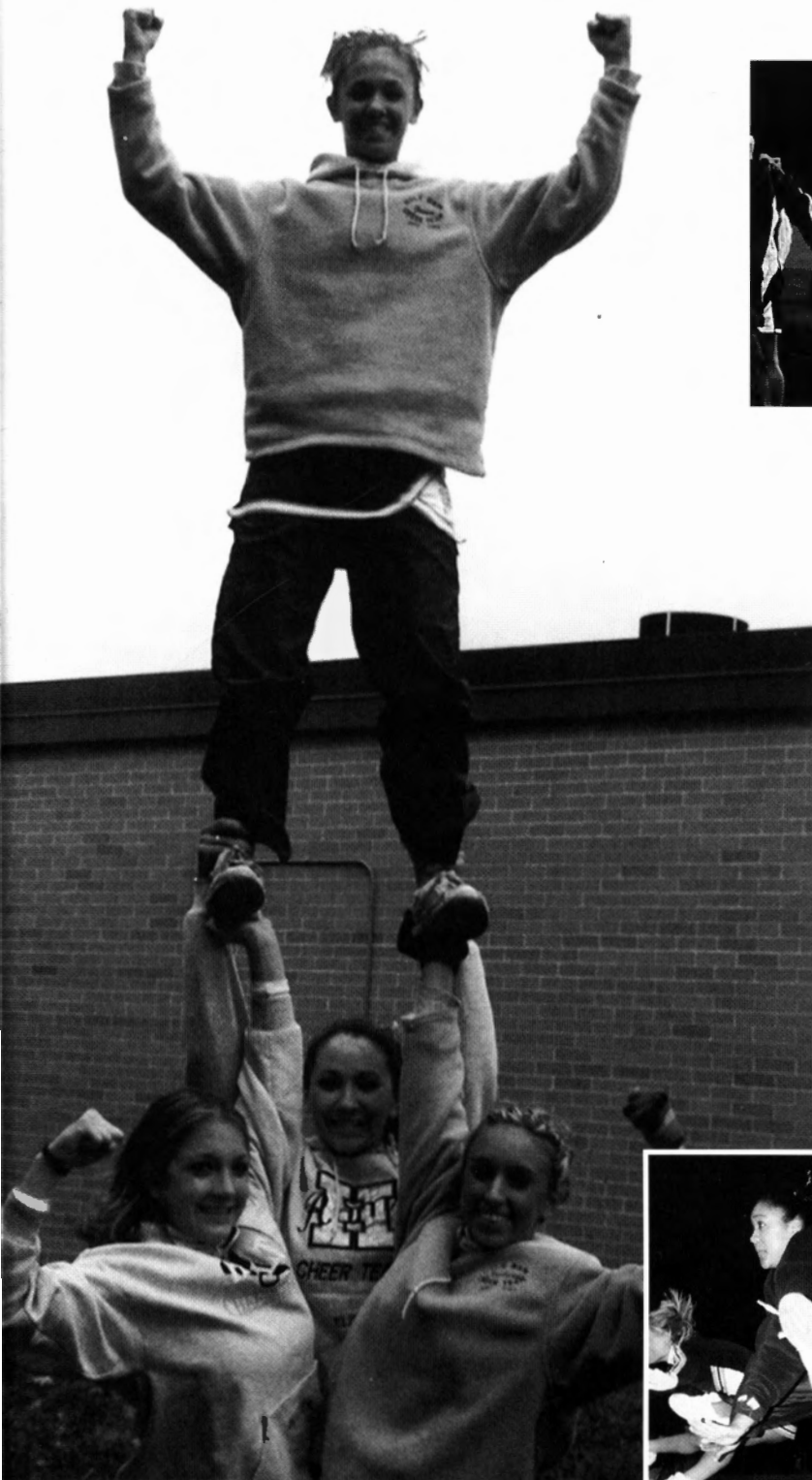
1 "My favorite part of cheerleading is being in front of the crowd and making new friends," says Junior Brooke Tice.

2 19...20...21... Seniors Amanda Harris and Ashley Grill, along with their team, pump out 21 push-ups. One for every point the Rams put on the score board. The Varsity and JV squads learned how to do perfect push-ups from their coach, Theresa Dunham, a fitness competitor.

3 While performing at the 2002 homecoming pep rally, Sophomores Sharon Ballard and Lauren Kassel and junior Becca Robins strut their stuff doing the Shoo-Shoo dance to the song "You Can't Touch This."

Junior Heather Ott, seniors Elise Clemens and Lindsay Enos and junior Jenna Zolnai show off their strength while performing a difficult stunt. They learned this stunt, nicknamed "the muscle man," at camp this summer.

Photos by Jenny Christensen



5 Varsity cheerleader Lindsay Enos fires up the crowd with an encouraging offense cheer. "All the girls on the squad have worked really hard together, which has made this my favorite season ever!" said the senior.

6 To get to their positions, seniors Elise Clemens, Ashley Grill and junior Rachel Dowell clap and shout, showing their excitement. The girls spent two months preparing for the homecoming pep rally. Photos by Jenny Christensen

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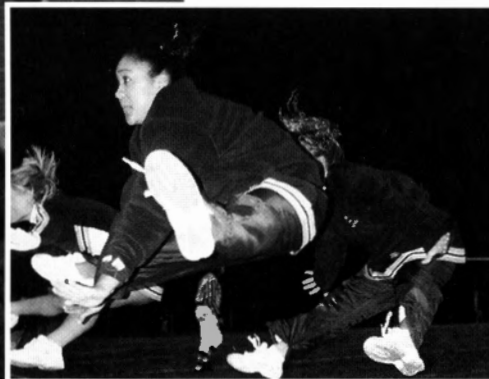
How do you keep your spirits high for the game?



"I know that our attitudes show throughout the game so I always try to keep mine positive. When I know that the crowd is watching me, I get myself pumped up to keep them excited."

~Ashley Grill

Photo by Kelly Briggs



At the Waverly game, sophomore Erin Belt jumps into the air to complete a russian. Belt is known on the squad for her amazing jumps.

Photo by Christine Beno



"The other girls on my squad make it so I have a really fun time out on the track. We have so much fun that our spirits are soaring for the whole game."

~Stepfannie Marshall

Photo by Kelly Briggs



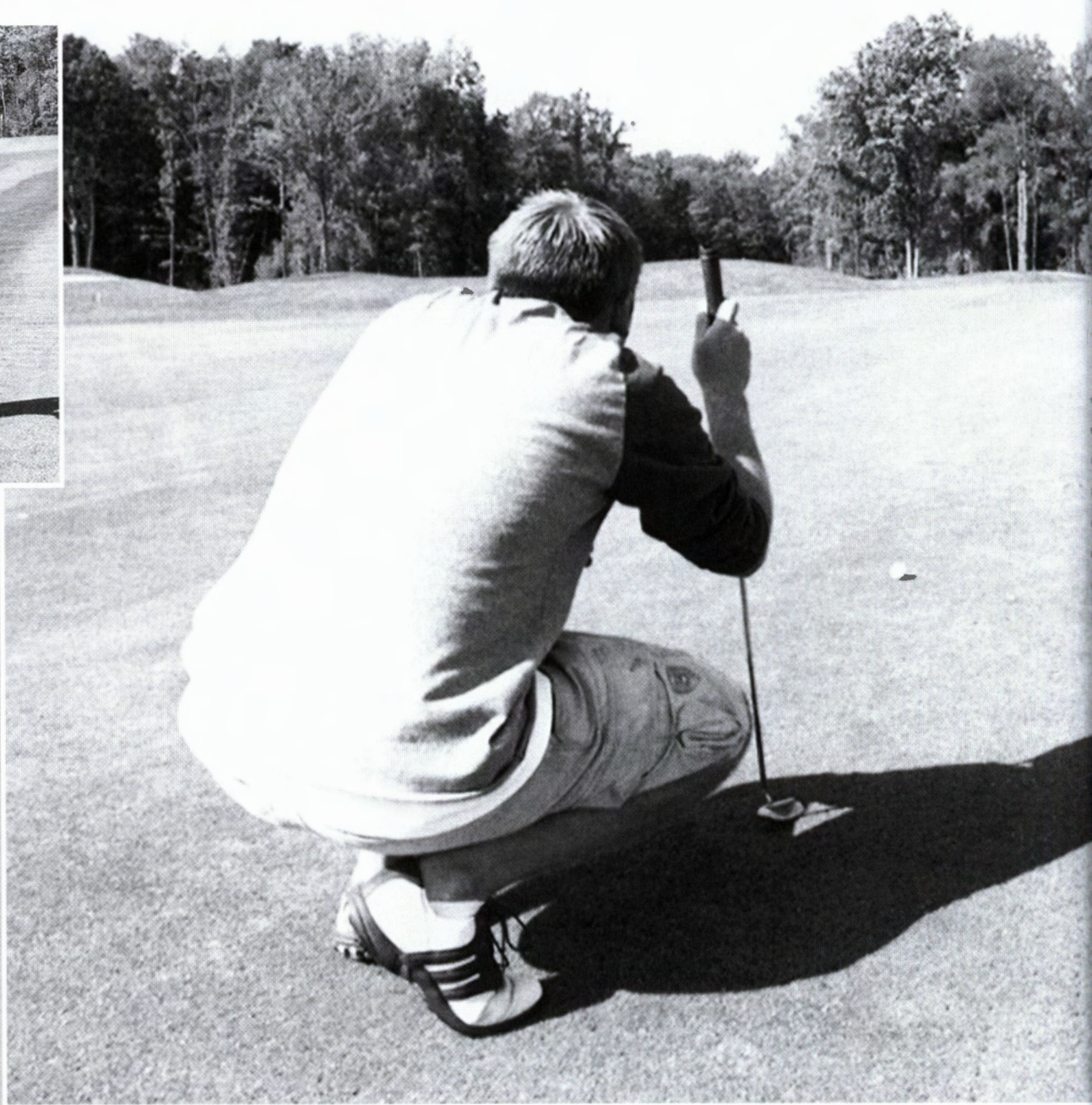
"Hey-Ho, Holt Rams got soul!" The varsity squad pumps themselves up doing their favorite cheer. The girls do this cheer before every game.

Photo by Jenny Christensen



On the upswing, junior **Kenny Watson** concentrates hard on the ball and prepares to make contact and send it to the hole. Watson made the All-CAC second team.
Photo by David Dionise

Making sure the putting green is level, senior **Mike Meyers** kneels down to get a closer look. Meyers served as a leader on the varsity team this year.
Photo by David Dionise



Check out where
Holt students and
staff get their
game on...

the players
CLUB



38%
15%
15%
8%
8%
16%

El Dorado
Walnut Hills
Forest Acres
Bonnie View
Jackson
Other



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Some kids
play golf
just for
fun, but
the
serious
ones are



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3

1 In an intense moment, freshmen Brandon Spencer watches teammate Mike Meyers hit a long straight drive down the fairway.

2 Finishing out his drive, senior Corey Danford waits to see where the ball will land. Danford was selected for first team All-CAC.

3 Taking advantage of their time before they play, the team practices on the putting green.

Photos by David Dionise

swingin'

by david dionise

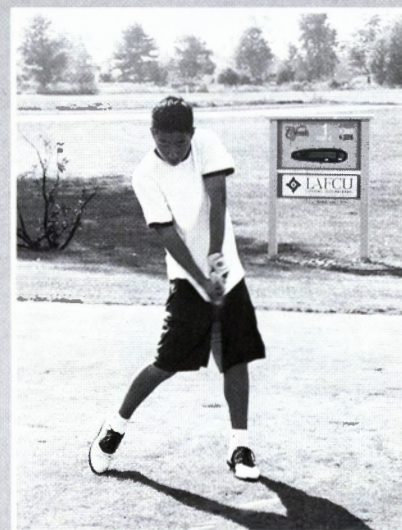
THROUGH THE YEARS

When was the last time you saw your dad in a wrestling singlet or your grandma performing a back flip? Many kids go to high school, play a sport, and never really bother with it again after they graduate. Some go on to play in college, but even that is rare. Golf, on the other hand, is a sport that anyone at any age can play. From children to senior citizens, golf is a popular sport among many.

In spite of its popularity, golf isn't exactly the easiest sport to practice off-season. Golfers can't play very easily in ten feet of snow, so a lot of people go south, just to play more golf. That's not always an option for varsity golf players. However, the season doesn't begin until the end of the summer, so they have time to practice and improve all summer. "I wasn't very good last year, but I've improved a lot since last year," said sophomore Kenny Cox. "I practiced a lot over summer, so I got a lot better."

You can usually tell by seeing someone golf if they're going to be one of those people who are playing until they're a senior citizen, or if it's just a high school thing to do for fun. "The serious golfers eat, sleep, and breathe golf the whole year, the ones there for fun just play when the season goes," said sophomore Ben Berry. It takes a lot of devotion to practice all winter long, but some kids manage.

The students playing golf can grow up and use it in their future, like having tee-times with their bosses, showing off their stuff and having a better impression. It's not very often that a CEO and an employee go put on some shoulder pads and play some foot ball to settle something, so aside from just being fun, golf can be very profitable for the life to come.



On the first tee of El Dorado, senior Chris Richards starts off a beautiful day of practice with a long straight drive, right down the fairway. Richards was selected for the All-CAC second team. Photo by David Dionise

MENS golf

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|--------------|------------|
| Grand Ledge | 329-321 |
| Waverly | 329-339 |
| East Lansing | 338-306 |
| Everett | 338-398 |
| Eastern | 321-341 |
| Sexton | 321-410 |
| Jackson | 306-310 |
| Jackson | 155-166 |
| Eastern | 161-168 |
| Sexton | 161-d.n.f. |
| East Lansing | 154-147 |
| Everett | 154-184 |
| Grand Ledge | 185-165 |
| Waverly | 185-165 |



Making their way down the fairway are freshman Ryan Taylor, senior Aaron Hooper, sophomore Kenny Cox, and freshman Travis Rivera. The team scrimmaged each other during practice.

Photo by David Dionise

**These
ladies ran
so fast
they were
literally...**



breaking

GROUND SPEED

by jennifer cooke



Running in her last home meet in high school, senior Sarah Appold comes out of the woods at Valhalla Park. One of Appold's personal goals this year was to run a race in under nineteen minutes.

Photo by Jennifer Cooke

They earned their steak dinner all right. Bringing in at least five runners with a total run time of under twenty-one minutes, coach Dave Foy used incentives to motivate the girls, which really paid off in the end. "He invited the whole team over to his house and cooked us a dinner which included steak, the best he offered us," said senior runner Sarah Appold, who was one of the top five runners.

Not only do these ladies run fast, they run smart. The team average is a 3.994. Plus most of the runners' schedules consist of AP or honors classes. Sophomore runner Liz Huber finds that consulting her teammates for help works out well when she has a problem. "We do our math homework together. If one of us doesn't understand something than we ask each other," said Huber. For sophomore runner Rachel Porter, she finds that her grades are actually better during the season. "When you're busy, grades tend to be better because you try to get everything done and you're not just sitting around watching TV or on the computer," said Porter.

"The most important thing you have to remember when running cross country," remembered Huber, "is that we do our best because it's all about us wanting to, not because of our parents or teachers, but because we want to. That's why we did so well with academics and cross country."

**"...it's all
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1 The train ride was a sunny one for the varsity cross country team after they placed first out of sixteen teams of one-hundred and thirty-two runners.

2 Sophomore Liz Huber paces herself while finishing up at one of the home meets at Valhalla.

3 After placing third at regionals, the varsity cross country team celebrates a successful season. "This year we did better because we gained a lot of people and we worked harder during the summer, so that made the returning people better," said senior Sarah Appold.

With a time of 19:28 junior Kelly Robinson completes the Greater Lansing Invationals in fifth place. Robinson placed fifth out of seven in the top seven runners of the Greater Lansing Cross Country Championships.

Photos by Jennifer Cooke

— WOMENS — cross country

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|--------------------------------|-------|
| Eastern | 38-21 |
| Grand Ledge | 37-18 |
| East Lansing | 43-18 |
| Waverly | 50-15 |
| Mason | 2nd |
| Haslett | 1st |
| Sexton | 50-15 |
| Everett | 35-12 |
| Portage | 4th |
| Jackson | 40-21 |
| Greater Lansing Invationals | 1st |
| CAC | 1st |
| Waverly JV | 1st |
| Regionals | 3rd |
| State | 24th |



4 Pushing herself to finish the meet at a good time, sophomore **Rachel Fessedenden** completes one of the last laps at the final home meet of the season.

5 Not only showing off their first place plaque from the Greater Lansing Invationals, the Lady Rams also show their team unity by wearing orange colored hats. Another way they stay close as a team is by praying before each meet. "It just brings us closer together as a team." said senior **Sarah Appold**.
Photos by Jennifer Cooke



Kelly Robinson

Class: Junior

Lucky Charms: Whirly bird t-shirt that she wears before big meets.

Injuries: Hip injury when she over-ran at the end of the season.

Favorite course:

"Bath, because I ran my best time of 18 minutes and 33 seconds."

Food eaten day of races:

"Carbohydrates, toast or bagels, and fresh fruit, but try to avoid dairy products."

Advice: "Stick with it even though it's hard work. The practices get easier."

Kate Brewer

Class: Sophomore

Lucky Charms: "A bracelet that I wear on my shoe that teammate Tara Dell gave me."

Pre-run rituals: "Before I run I visualize the course and what it will be like."

Favorite course: "Haselet because there is a lot of competition, different hills, and it is a different course in general."

Food eaten day of races:

"On Saturdays, usually a banana. I don't usually like to eat before a race; on any other day, it's just normal food."

Advice: "If you run, make sure you like to run; don't just run to do it, make sure you enjoy it. Don't do it for anyone but yourself."



Trucking across the field at one of the final home meets of the season, sophomore **Rachel Porter** takes eighth place with a runtime of 21:28 minutes. *Photo by Jennifer Cooke*

Keeping her pace while coming out of the woods at Valhalla at the final home meet against Jackson is sophomore runner **Tara Dell**. Dell used lucky charms such as a beanie baby stuffed animals and charm bracelets for luck throughout the season.
Photo by Jennifer Cooke





1 Breaking out of the woods is junior Ben Watson.

2 Warming up for the big race, junior Alex Mishler is getting ready to go at it.

michael STOWE

Class: Senior

Favorite food for day of

race: Bananas

Favorite CC course and

why: "The home course; it's so big!"

Senior Mike Stowe pushes his limit to overcome odds.

"Sometimes it seems hard to go on, but I feel obligated to. I can't let the team down."

Photos by Kyle Kocsis & Jennifer Cooke

joshua DRULLINGER

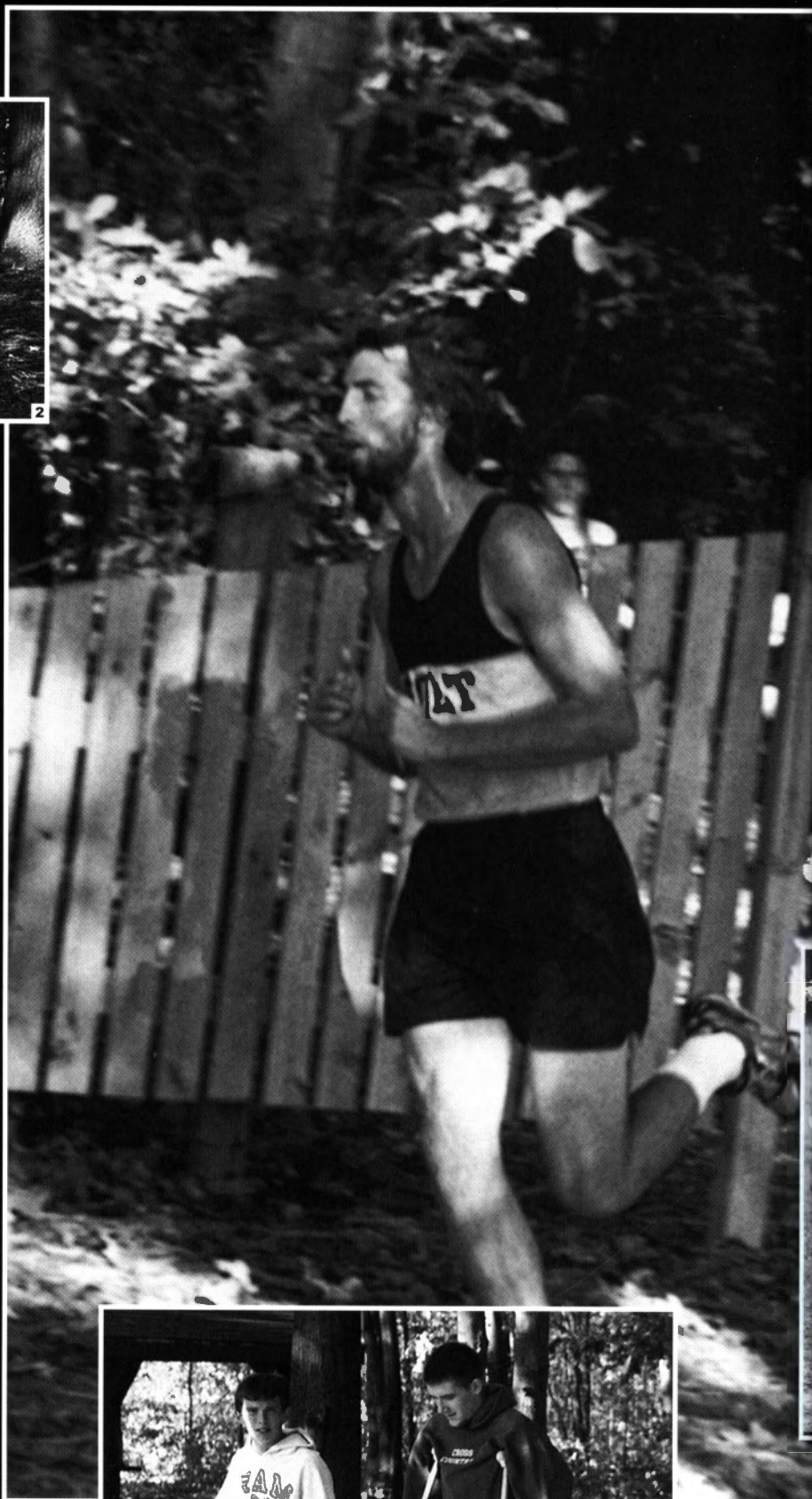
Class: Sophomore

Favorite food for day of

race: "Well, I don't eat anything beforehand, but I usually drink a gatorade."

Favorite CC course and

why: "I like the Haslett course because I ran my fastest time there and I like the wooded part of the course."



A downed veteran recovering, Nick Valley roots for his fellow teammates.

Valley broke his leg during a meet, but still finished the race and placed third!

Photo by Kyle Kocsis



**With skill
that is
hard to
match,
and
stamina
to beat
them all,
they run...**

3 Chad Rogers is coming in for the lead against his Jackson opponent.

4 Taking authority with feet of a god is junior Alex Mishler.

5 As good boys should, the guys get ready for the electric cross country meet.

6 Doing his best for the team is junior runner Sean Hanton. *Photos by Kyle Kocsis and Jennifer Cooke*

with feet

by kyle kocsis

OF HERMES

The crunch of leaves as they fall victim to the soles of their shoes, the sound of stressed and ragged breaths as their mouths gasp for air, the whistle of the wind past their ears as they stride through the woods... These are the sounds of a cross country meet.

It's hard to match a sport like cross country. To participate in this sport you need stamina and speed like most others, but there's a certain art to it all one must observe.

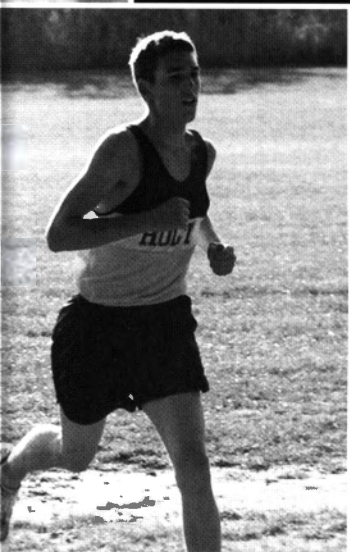
With all that said, one gets the gist of how hard this sport can be. The team had many ups and downs throughout the season. "I think we could've done better if so many people were not sick," said Matt Ramey. "If one of our players misses a meet, then it can affect the team, whether the impact is small or big." Injured runner Nick Valley, however, didn't let his broken leg slow him down until the end of the race: in spite of the pain, Valley finished the race in third place.

As one could guess, behind every masterpiece, there is a "genius mastermind". In this case, Jerry Gillett is that man. "He was really hard on us this year, as far as practices and meets go," said Mike Stowe. "But all in all, it was good in the end. Without him pushing us as hard as he did, we wouldn't have done as well."

While most of these runners are not planning on continuing the sport beyond high school, chances are good that you'll still see them out there pounding the pavement for the love of the game.



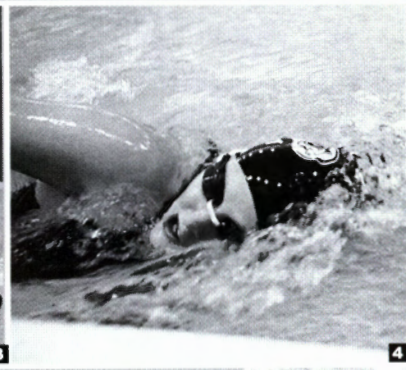
Pushing on through the rough is injured-runner senior Mike Fobbe. Fobbe rolled his ankle at a practice and was sidelined for much of the season. "Fobbe is a very talented runner and we could have really used his talent this year. He could have been one of our top five runners," said coach Jerry Gillett. *Photo by Kyle Kocsis*



Josh Drullinger gives it his all for the team. "I try to do my best for the team," Drullinger said. "I try to depend on them and still have them depend on me." *Photo by Kyle Kocsis*

- MENS cross country

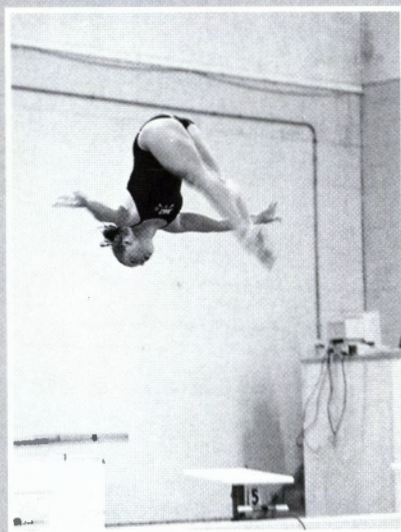
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| St. Johns | 21-36 |
| Haslett | 20-40 |
| Jackson Northwest | 15-50 |
| Mason | 16-46 |
| Grand Ledge | 29-26 |
| Eastern | 35-20 |
| East Lansing | 36-20 |
| Waverly | 24-31 |
| Jackson | 24-37 |
| Bath Inv. | 6th |
| Mason Inv. | 3rd |
| Haslett Inv. | 7th |
| Portage Inv. | 11th |
| Greater Lansing Inv. | 9th |
| CAC | 4th |
| Regional | 7th |



When you feel out of your league, you might say you feel like a fish out of water, but these girls swim
by cortney duval

like a fish

IN THE WATER



At a home meet this year, Holt's junior diver Erika Pfiffer performs an inward dive. She was one of the top divers for the team. Photos by Okemos Studio

Most of us think of swimming in a pool as a summer time event, but for the girls of women's varsity swimming and diving team, it's a full year commitment. They spend an average of three hours a day, twenty hours a week, and nine to ten months a year practicing their dives or speed in the pool. This include's summer vacation and optional summer camps like the Holt Area Cast Club, where the whole team goes. "I put in my time towards the team to stay in shape, have fun, and I like being a part of the team," said sophomore Meghan Montville.

The hardest thing about being on the team, however, is not all the time they devote or the intense practices. "The hardest thing is waking up at 4:45 am for morning practices to condition," says senior Erin Hill.

With all of this hard work, one might ask how it all pays off. This year makes the eleventh year in a row that the team has placed first at CAC's. "This year the divers placed first, second, and third in all but two meets," added the coach. Another motivational tool is "knowing that I'll swim fast at our CAC meet and the more I put in, the more I'll get back," said senior Beth Mickle.

Improvements that the coach has seen in the girls this year have been in the freshman especially. Since the team had lost a lot of the graduated seniors this year, they had gained a lot of new members in return. "Some of the new girls came in not knowing how to swim and our coach worked with them and now some of them are in really important roles for our CAC meet," said senior Lindsay Miller.

Now that CAC's are over, the team is more relaxed and has a lot easier practices. Senior as well as one of the four team captains, Kristin Bloomquist looks back on the season, "It was really fun, I'm going to miss the team the most," says Bloomquist. This year Bloomquist was the only team member that qualified for the MICA conference and placed nineteen out of twenty-four in the state. With this type of year round commitment, one might say wearing a swimsuit is just like a second skin to these girls. "I'm more comfortable wearing my swimsuit, you just get used to it," says

Junior Amanda Kegler

- 1** After the meet, sophomore Megan Montville and her teammates warm down to loosen up.
 - 2** Starting their meet against Everett, the Holt Rams dive into the water beside their opponents, the Vikings.
 - 3** With all the time these girls spend together, it's hard not to become friends. Here, Senior Ashley Hicks and Junior Amanda Kegler pose for a photo during spirit week.
 - 4** Sophomore Rachel Abbott swims freestyle in the meet against East Lansing. She swam the two-hundred at CAC's this year.
- Photos by Cortney Duval and Okemos Studio



Preparing for one of her dives, Sophomore Ali Templin concentrates as East Lansing looks on. "She is known for her twisters and finishes," says her coach.

— WOMENS swimming

| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| St. Johns | 121-64 |
| Sexton | 67-27 |
| Jackson | 108-75 |
| Livnia Franklin | 150-36 |
| Ann Arbor Huron | 86-100 |
| East Lansing | 114-72 |
| Everett | 123-62 |
| Eastern | 130-56 |
| Grand Ledge | 113-73 |
| Waverly/LCC | 116-70 |
| Okemos | 61-125 |
| Ann Arbor Pioneer | 48-138 |



Diver Erika Pfiffer performs an inward dive pike for the East Lansing meet. "My scariest dive is a reverse," says Pfiffer. Photo by Okemos Studio

Starting out with a time of 1:17 and ending with 1:10 for the butterfly stroke, senior Cortney Childs placed top CACs in her favorite stroke. "Since this is our last year, it really helped having the encouragement from the girls I've swum with for five years," says Childs. Photo by Okemos Studio

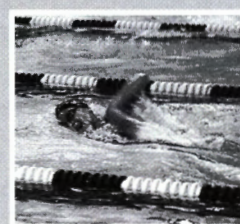
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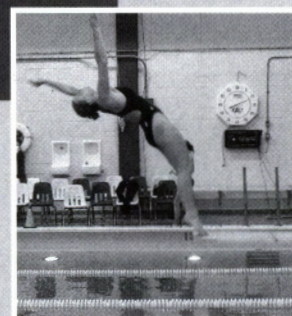
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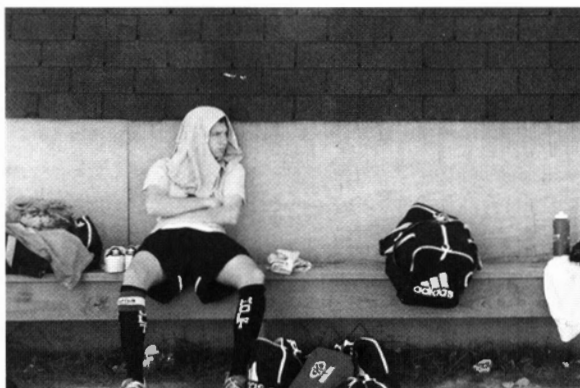


Back one
somersault
and one and a
half twist

different

STROKES

**A young
team works
to prove
themselves
against
tough
competition**



Senior captain and goalie **Chad Smith** looks on with anticipation.

"Everytime a goal goes in, you feel its your fault; it's your responsibility to stop the ball," said Smith.

Photo by Shawn Jackson

growing

TOGETHER

by jennie andrews & shawn jackson



Junior defensive player **Nolan Jenkins** is known as "The Wolverine" because of his looks and crazy antics. "We [the defense] try to play strong even when we play against tough teams, and if we get behind we try to step up, and do our part to help the team," said Jenkins.

Photo by Mary Ann Jenkins

— VARSITY MENS — soccer

| | | |
|----------------------|-----|---|
| Eastern | 1-0 | W |
| St. John | 1-1 | T |
| Davison | 1-0 | W |
| Dewitt | 0-0 | T |
| Mason | 1-4 | L |
| Jackson | 3-1 | W |
| East Lansing | 0-2 | L |
| Everett | 1-3 | L |
| Eastern | 6-0 | W |
| Grand Ledge | 2-3 | L |
| Waverly | 0-1 | L |
| Eaton Rapids | 1-0 | W |
| Sexton | 1-0 | W |
| Battle Creek Central | 4-0 | W |
| Grand Ledge | 4-0 | W |
| East Lansing | 0-3 | L |
| Jackson | 0-5 | L |
| Fowlerville | 0-0 | T |
| Jackson NW | 4-0 | W |
| Eastern | 4-0 | W |
| Grand Ledge | 1-0 | W |
| Portage Central | 1-2 | L |

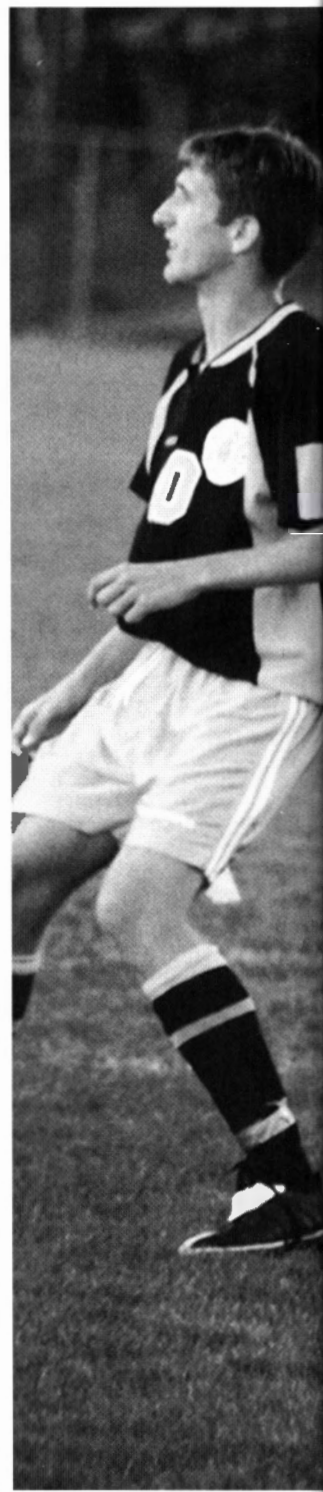
Many thought this would be a rough season for the varsity men's soccer team; after losing 12 powerful seniors from the previous year, the Rams were faced with the dreaded rebuilding year. Yet the season closed, and the players proved skeptics wrong; with a record of 11-8-3, the season was far from unsuccessful. "We started with little experience, like not knowing where to be and where to place the ball, but everyone is learning and we are building team chemistry," said senior Justin Fudge.

Several leaders have emerged this year, one being the first ever sophomore captain: Chris Smith. "I was surprised that I was picked to be a leader of the team; it's a good opportunity to help lead the team a step further," said Smith. Smith as well as the other two captains of the team take their roles as leaders very seriously. "Chris is showing dynamic leadership for being a sophomore and has the ability to lead by example, because of that he plays every minute of every game," said head coach David Hornak.

With twelve players eligible to return next year, the Rams should have a good chance of having a strong performance next season. "Next year all the juniors are going to be able to step up; and when we're seniors, we're going to win states," said sophomore Sergey Gukasov.

With a look of determination, sophomore sweeper **Chris Smith** waits to receive the ball. "I concentrate on where to tell people to go, but I also concentrate on the ball, and where it needs to go," said Smith.

Photo by Shawn Jackson





Passing the ball to sophomore Adam Cheadle, teammate sophomore Kevin Phillips takes his kick. "The team worked really hard and we did what we had to do," said Phillips.

Photo by Shawn Jackson



**Blood,
sweat, and
teamwork
are the keys
to success
when...**

building A TEAM

by dani dimmit

Focusing on the game, sophomore Joel Longworth sits with freshman Frank Pulido. "At first there were a lot of new people, but as the season went on we got to know each other and played better," said sophomore Adam Cheadle about how the team chemistry has developed.

Photo by Shawn Jackson



Sophomore Lucas Steere takes a corner kick at the Fowlerville game on senior night. "If we would have played the whole season how we played that night we would have been unstoppable," said Steere.

Photo by Shawn Jackson

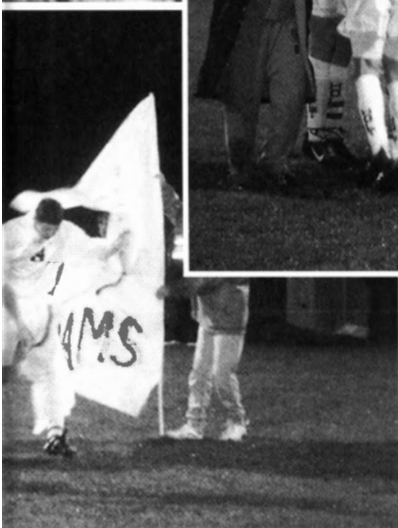


The pre-game huddle: the team has really come together this year, and proved that even during tough games they are still close friends. "We get along well on and off the field, on the field it's all business, off the field it's just fun," said sophomore Josh Looman.

Photo by Shawn Jackson

Break Through! As a first year player, senior Ken Phinney has learned a lot about teamwork: "Coach Hornak taught me what it means to be on a team and have fun, and not just try to fit in," said Phinney.

Photo by Shawn Jackson



— JV MENS — soccer

| | | |
|----------------------|------|---|
| Davison | 4-0 | W |
| Jackson | 2-2 | T |
| East Lansing | 0-1 | L |
| Everett | 6-0 | W |
| Eastern | 2-0 | W |
| Grand Ledge | 1-1 | T |
| Waverly | 5-0 | W |
| Sexton | 3-2 | W |
| Battle Creek Central | 5-0 | W |
| Grand Ledge | 0-3 | L |
| East Lansing | 0-5 | L |
| Jackson | 3-2 | W |
| Fowlerville | 10-0 | W |
| Jackson Northwest | 7-1 | W |

When it comes to responsibility in achieving success for the womens basketball team, the ball's in their court.



defending

by jessica derosa & tandee ireland



"I didn't really know the team very well at the beginning, but now I feel closer to them," said number 32 sophomore **April Smith**. The team huddles close together showing their unity and friendship. "It was really hard to recover, but the girls helped me to stay positive," said senior **Kristen Howley** out of uniform.

Photo by Jessica DeRosa

VARSITY basketball

| | |
|--------------------------|---------|
| Walled Lake Western | 41-31 W |
| Walled Lake Central | 53-50 W |
| St. Johns | 50-61 L |
| Okemos | 45-48 L |
| Grand Ledge | 53-38 W |
| Adrian | 43-52 L |
| Sexton | 42-48 L |
| Mason | 49-42 W |
| Eastern | 62-36 W |
| Waverly | 67-57 W |
| Jackson | 53-35 W |
| Easr Lansing | 47-40 W |
| Everett | 51-68 L |
| Grand Ledge | 42-35 W |
| Sexton | 28-55 L |
| Eastern | 61-40 W |
| Waverly | 45-69 L |
| Jackson | 66-48 W |
| East Lansing | 29-37 L |
| Everett | 45-85 L |
| East Lansing (Districts) | 39-67 L |

Chest heaving, heart pounding, biceps bulging, face dripping, teeth showing, eyes widening, mind racing... Imagine going through these all at once. This is what the womens varsity basketball team experiences every practice and on game days. "It was challenging at the beginning of the season to get in shape. Every day my endurance on the court gets stronger. I tell myself to work hard and give it my all," said junior **Thereese Ford**.

In order to enhance their performance the girls got together before the season to work on their playing abilities and friendships. Friendship is the key to success on a basketball team. According to senior **Ashleigh Taylor**, "We are all like a second family. We stick up for one another and always have each others' backs." When the girls aren't shooting hoops they spend some of their time together. They've done everything from going to the movies to having sleepovers. The seniors took charge in planning the activities to strengthen their team.

Being a senior comes with a lot of responsibility, especially when they dominate the team with eight girls. Leadership is not only shown by the captains, but by everyone else on the team. "We encourage the underclassman, making sure they are mentally ready to play and are okay with everything that's being done," said senior **Julie Freeman**.

"We finally have come together as a team working hard and challenging one another. It will be extremely hard next year without the seniors on the team, because they give us confidence," said junior **Kalie Hayes**. With the seniors leaving, the younger players will have to step up and take control of the team next year. "It's going to be tough next year, but a lot of the other teams have seniors leaving, too. We just have to work at it," said junior **Kelli Papiernik**.

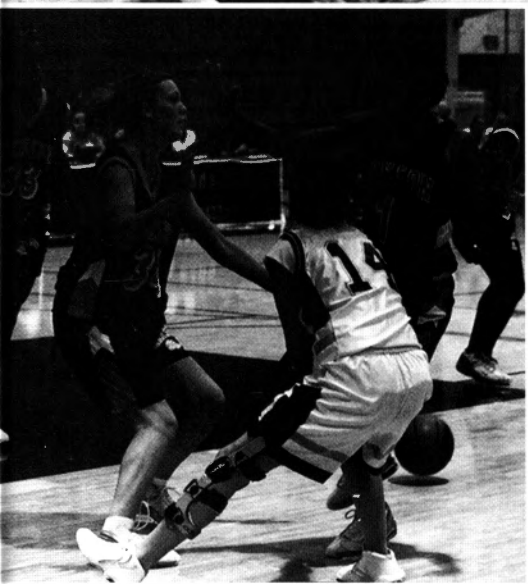
- 1 The defenders watch from behind as senior **Cassie Monette** drives in for an easy lay up.
- 2 "When we work hard in practice it shows on game days. I believe we can always get the job done," said senior **Leigh Gardner**.
- 3 Swish! In perfect form senior **Annie Malatinsky** makes a free throw with ease.
- 4 Pointing out some strategies to his players for future reference is head coach **Doug Harkema**.

Photos by Tandee Ireland

Give it to me! Trying to rip the ball into her possession, junior **Dani Benington** uses all her might, while senior **Cassie Monette** lends a helping hand.

Photo by Tandee Ireland





Pulling out the moves on her defender, senior **Erika Stasi** passes the ball on a give and go. *Photo by Tandee Ireland*



Up, up and away! Flying in the air to gain control of the jump ball is senior **Sara Kinne**, who is the center for the team. *Photo by Tandee Ireland*

stepping IT UP

by ben berry & nick rogell

Resting from the tiring and vigorous exercise that a tough basketball game brings is the JV team. Their hard work and dedication has paid off: The team finished out the season with a winning record of 13 and 7. *Photo by Christine Beno*



Co-captain Annie Childs fights hard to win the opening tip from Everett. From eating the lucky noodles before the game to playing right up to the final buzzer, Childs gives each game her all. *Photo by Christine Beno*

JV basketball

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Walled Lake Western | 42-34 W |
| Walled Lake Central | 33-32 W |
| St. Johns | 17-56 L |
| Okemos | 33-31 W |
| Grand Ledge | 43-49 L |
| Adrian | 33-34 L |
| Sexton | 55-26 W |
| Mason | 49-37 W |
| Eastern | 44-12 W |
| Waverly | 28-38 L |
| Jackson | 30-19 W |
| East Lansing | 17-36 L |
| Everett | 45-33 W |
| Grand Ledge | 25-32 L |
| Sexton | 42-10 W |
| Eastern | 48-07 W |
| Waverly | 40-30 W |
| Jackson | 49-45 W |
| East Lansing | 43-52 L |
| Everett | 50-47 W |



Sharing meals, putt-putt golfing, having sleepovers, and doing hair & nails, create

lasting MEMORIES



In a dog pile on a three seater couch seniors **Holly Warner**, **Tracy Wilburn**, **Danielle Burt** and juniors **Beth Mastin**, **Jenny Hill** and sophomore **Mia Thereox** have fun on a Saturday night. Not wanting to lose her ball, junior **Beth Mastin** rushes to chip it out of the water before the team moves on to the next hole. Photos by *Danielle Burt*



1 Giggles all around, seniors **Tessa Williamson** and **Megan Pipkens** will do anything to keep warm. Even if it comes down to squishing into a small sleeping bag.

Photo by *Danielle Burt*

2 Face twisted in effort, senior **Holly Warner** digs deep to tap the ball over the net in perfect placement.

Photo by *Ashley Loveall*

3 "Okay, what are you doing wrong, what should you do to change that, okay go do it!" are the encouraging words that senior doubles partners **Andria McCabe** and **Danielle Burt** often received from Coach **Pat Somers**.

Photo by *Ashley Loveall*

4 In an example of perfect form third singles player Senior **Tracy Wilburn**, prepares to get back into ready position while watching the placement of her shot.

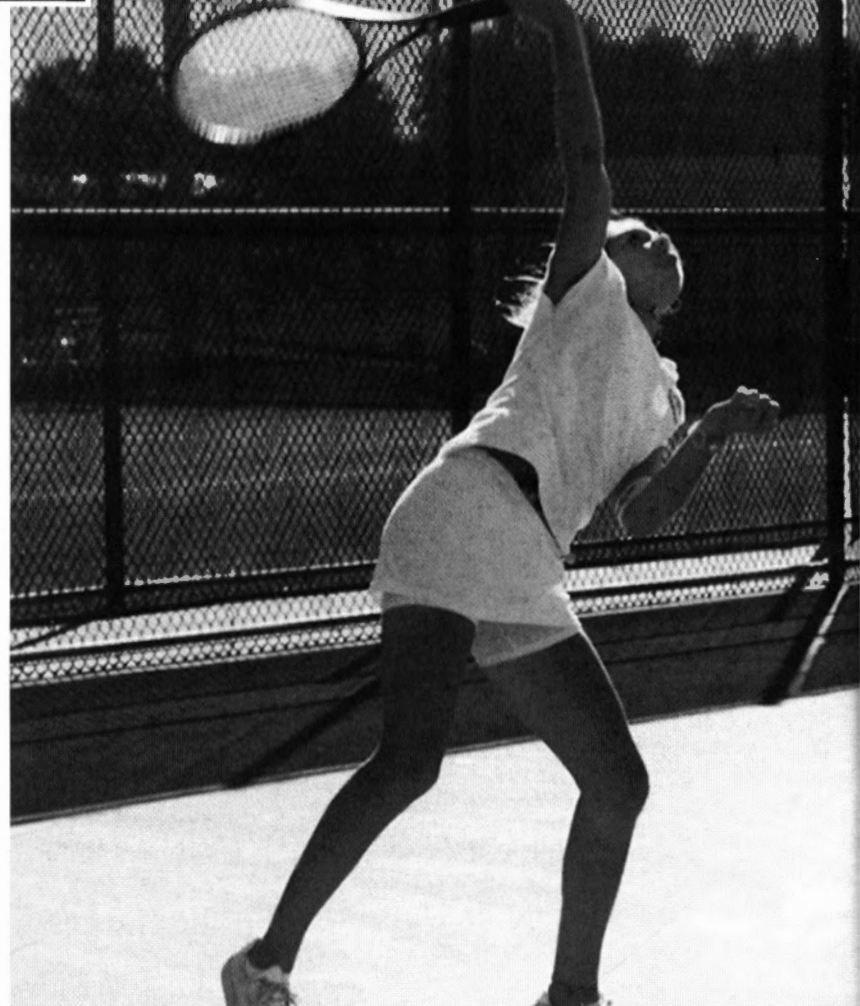
Photo by *Ashley Loveall*

5 To play first singles, is to play the best of the best. But senior **Emily Stocker** came out strong each time and made a name for herself.

Photo by *Ashley Loveall*

6 Brought to their knees from the excitement of winning the Holt Invitational, the JV had a lot to smile about.

Photos by *JV Personnel*



- VARSITY tennis

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Holt Invitational | 1st |
| St. Johns Invite. | 1st |
| Haslett | 7-1 |
| East Lansing | 8-0 |
| Grand Ledge | 7-1 |
| Mason | 6-2 |
| Jackson | 8-0 |
| Waverly | 7-1 |
| Everett | 8-0 |
| Sexton | 8-0 |
| Eastern | 8-0 |
| Dewitt | 8-0 |
| CAC | 1st |
| Lansing Catholic | 7-1 |
| Regionals | 1st |
| States | 12th |



It's a bird, it's a plane, no it's junior **Jennie Hill** jumping high into the air in order to get maximum power into her serve. In the match against Sexton the team finished 8-0.

Photo by Ashley Loveall



**In a season
for victory
and triumph,
the tennis
team is**



serving up

DOMINANCE

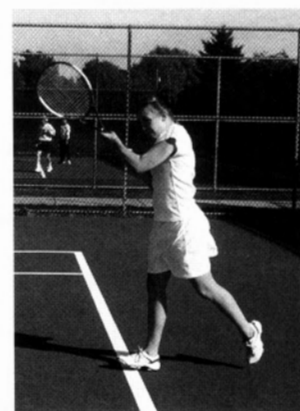
by ashley loveall and danielle burt

"They're sweet like a hostess treat," said Mike Smith when asked to express his feelings about the performance of the womens tennis team. Smith's daughter Sarah is among one of the underclassmen on a senior-dominated team. With seniors having a slight majority over underclassmen, the atmosphere of the team was exciting, competitive and all-around fun.

Dedication and the drive to make it to States were at an all-time high. Seniors wanted their last year to be the best. This was the first time that Holt received first place at regionals. A large factor contributing to their success were the close bonds. On and off the courts, the team could be found together on many occasions. Through going to play putt-putt golf, having sleepovers, and frequent trips to Fazzoli's and Flapjacks, lasting friendships were made. "I'm going to cry at the banquet -- we'll all cry -- we're going to miss everyone, especially the seniors," said junior Beth Mastin.

While the team loves tennis and each other, they tend to be a little weary when it comes to some of their traditions. "You know something's not normal when you go to Flapjacks for breakfast and they don't open that early," said sophomore Mia Theroux. "We ended up having to go to Denny's!" It is a tradition that when attending weekend events or on days that the team gets out of school for competition, they go out to breakfast before competing. "I wanted to kick them all in the face when I got there and actually realized where I was, and to top it all off a homeless guy tried to give me his pencil. That didn't do too much for my appetite," joked Mastin. The team may not like getting up early but most agree that it would feel incomplete if the tradition was not upheld.

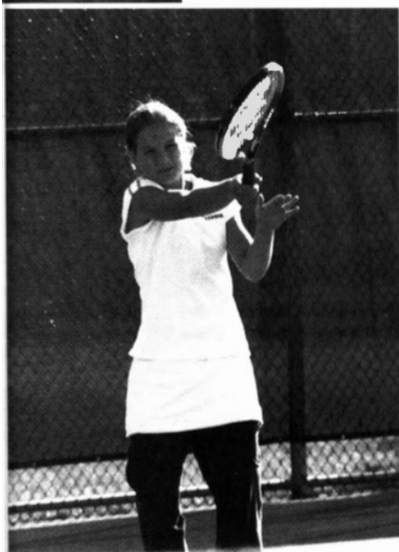
Following traditions, increasing team bonding, and fierce determination led the team to first place spots at the St. Johns invitational, CAC's, regionals, Holt invitational, and to twelfth place at States. The seniors got their wish for a great year of success, and underclassmen look forward to continuing to make a better name for Holt tennis.



With her wicked backhand, freshman **Sam Warner**, returns her opponent's serve. She went on to win her match, and helped the JV team win the meet. *Photo by Danielle Burt*

JV tennis

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| St. Johns | 8-0 |
| Haslett | 8-0 |
| East Lansing | 5-3 |
| Grand Ledge | 6-2 |
| Mason | 8-0 |
| Jackson | 7-1 |
| Waverly | 8-0 |
| Everett | 8-0 |
| Portland | 8-0 |
| Eastern | 8-0 |
| Ann Arbor Huron | 3-5 |
| Dewitt | 7-1 |



Boing! Tessa Williamson hits the sweet spot, which returns a powerful, accurate shot down the line and out of reach of the East Lansing doubles team.

Photo by Ashley Loveall

Seniors Andria McCabe, Danielle Burt, junior Serena Mazzoni, and sophomore Mia Theroux get ready for a night of mischief and pranks. Some of the team's greatest memories came from hotel stays while at states.

Photo by Mrs. Wilburn

It's all about changing. As sophomore year goes on, students learn more about themselves. For example, the PLAN test in November is an important tool for planning high school schedules that will fit into plans after graduation. Many students have taken this into account, and although they are only sophomores, college is still high on their priority list. Sophomore Korbi Bare said, "College is going to be really exciting, and all of the classes we are taking this year will help us build on to our future career, so I'm trying my best!" When the counselors visited each English class in mid-February, students were encouraged to take the classes that would help with their plans post-high school. "Growing and learning is an important part of high school, and sophomore year is no different," said American Studies teacher Christine Beno.

Give me S'more

by dani dimmitt

Sophomore year is also a time for having fun and going through lots of new changes. "Going from the junior high to the high school is a big change, there are a lot of new people and more responsibilities. But it's really awesome, and a lot better than middle school," said sophomore Tyler Schrauben.

Sophomores have figured out a lot about the high school, including becoming part of higher-level sports teams. No more freshman sports, but most have moved up. "Being a sophomore who starts [in a game] is really awesome. A lot of people gain a new respect for you and it's a lot of fun to play a lot," said sophomore Mikhail Eisler.

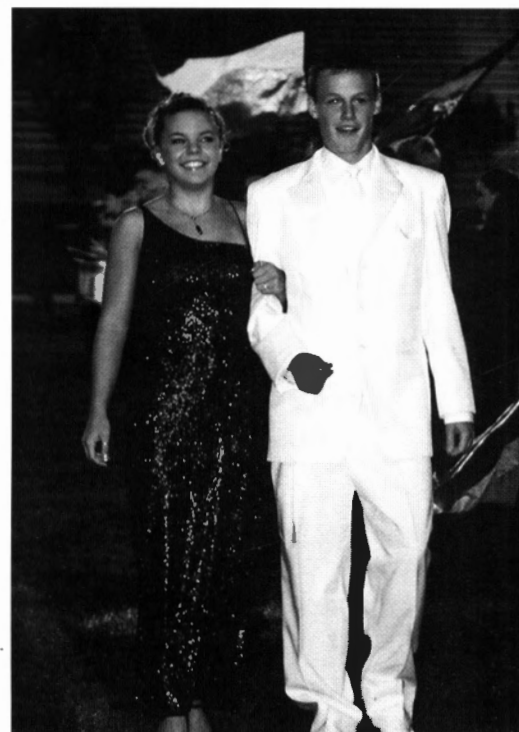
Additionally, the high school offers many clubs and activities that aren't offered at the junior high including GUBA, SADD, Minority Student Union, Spanish club, French club, German club, along with many others. "Being in SADD is fun, because you get to get out of class and listen to speakers," said sophomore Steffie Marshall.

Sophomores Steffie Marshall, Korbi Bare, Kaitlyn Sherer, and Hannah Donaldson listen to students talk about their experiences at a camp that they participated in for S.A.D.D.
Photo by Shawn Jackson



Proudly displaying their Holt pride on sophomore Homecoming court are Gracie Hilliard and Tyler Schrauben. The other representatives for the sophomore court were Tracy Schrauben and Andy Clark.

Photo by Jenny Christensen





American Studies friend or foe?

All sophomores have the option to take American history and English as a two-hour block, called American Studies. Is this a bad thing or is it awesome? Is having two teachers (Trunk and Beno) better than having one (Reichard)? Well, here's what sophomores with experience said....



"I didn't think that I would like it at first, but the teachers are really cool and it's fun."
~Megan Campian



"It's cool, I like it better than math, and all my friends are in my class."
~Paige Klaver



"I don't really like it but it has advantages, like there is always a teacher that knows what is going on."
~Chris Jones



"I like it because it combines the best of English and history and connects both classes. The teachers are cool."
~ Kris Gladstone

Photos by Dani Dimmitt



Sophomore Jim Mason takes advantage of the library's resources while in American Studies block. Many of the assignments in American Studies are project-based. But whether they're in American Studies or regular English and history classes, most sophomores have spent time in the library working on projects throughout the year.

Photo by Eve Ayala



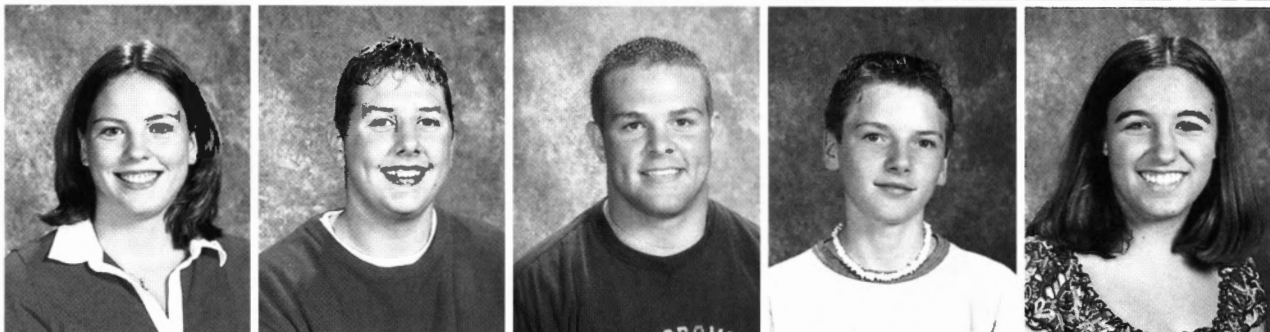
Sophomore Erin Belt helps pump up the junior varsity football team with the rest of the cheerleading squad. *Photo by Christine Beno*

Working hard on the hallway for homecoming are sophomores Sherri Powers, Korbi Bare, Keegan Long, and Adam Freidrich. *Photo by Christine Beno*

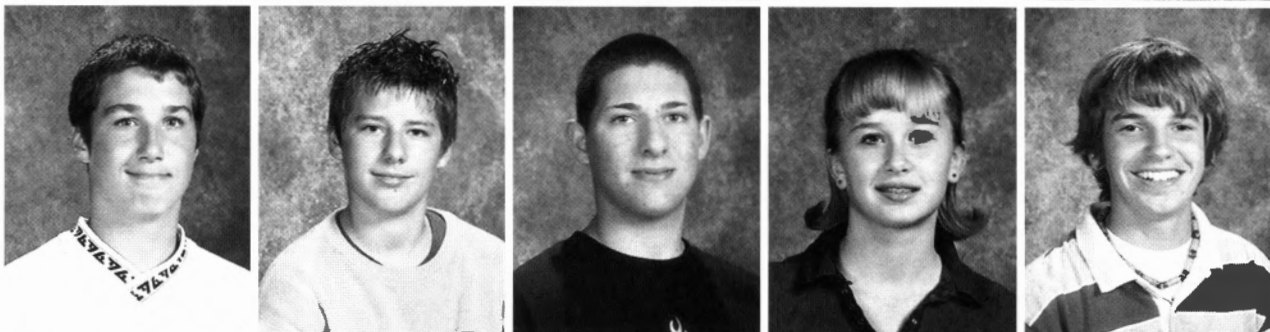
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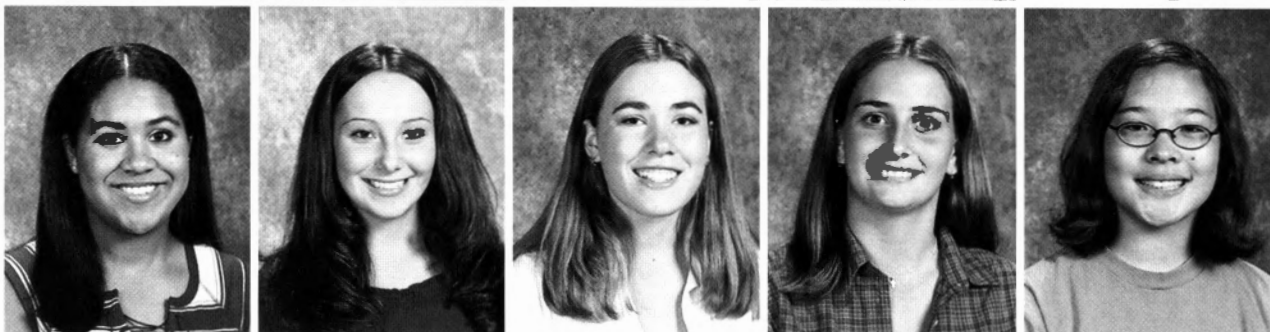
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GREATEST of Friends

By Dani Dimmitt

Sarah Benson & Annie Childs

How well do you know your best friend?

Sarah Benson and Annie Childs claim to know each other, in Annie's words, "like the back of my hand." They were asked some simple questions at separate times.

How did they do? Benson says that no matter what she and Annie will be "old ladies sittin' by the ocean, eating Panera bread." See how they did below and then check if you and your best friends are like, as Sarah says, "two peas in a pod."



Annie Childs and Sarah Benson in seventh grade: they met when they played basketball together on Holt Junior Rams. "We didn't even really like each other at first, but then we figured out that we were a lot alike," said Childs.



Annie's Favorites According to Sarah

| | |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Movie | <i>Ice Age</i> |
| Pop | Vanilla Coke |
| Sport | Basketball |
| Clothing | What Sarah's wearing |
| Best Feature | Her hair |
| Flower | "The pretty kind" |
| Food | Sarah's mom's ice cream sundaes |
| Animal | Sid the Sloth from <i>Ice Age</i> |

Basketball has always been Childs' favorite sport. Benson and Childs have a good time at basketball and just hanging out. "It's so cool, because we can just hang out at each other's houses, and have fun, without spending any money!" said Benson.

Photo by Christine Beno



Sarah's Favorites According to Annie

| | |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| Movie | <i>The Big Lebowski</i> |
| Pop | Mountain Dew |
| Sport | Soccer |
| Clothing | Delhi t-shirts, windpants |
| Best Feature | Her teeth |
| Flower | Dandelion |
| Food | Taco pizza |
| Animal | Monkey |

Sarah Benson says that she and Annie Childs have more good times than they can count. They have been friends for over three years. "One time we put on my dad's hunting suits and walked around in 90 degree weather," said Benson.

Photo by Dani Dimmitt

The Results:

Each missed one. Annie's favorite clothing is Pacific Sunwear, with Sarah's wardrobe as number two. Sarah's favorite movie is *Adventure's in Babysitting*, with *The Big Lebowski* as a close second.

Tune in to Nick Batora

Q & A

Q: How old are you?

A: 15

Q: Do you plan to go to college?

A: Yes, it's my biggest goal in life.

Q: What do you plan to study?

A: I want to be a doctor, so I plan to study somewhere in the medical field.

Q: Who do you look up to for inspiration?

A: My mom because she pushes me towards things that I give up on, like school and stuff

Q: What's your favorite food?

A: Chinese

Q: Where is the best place to get Chinese food?

A: INGcredible

Q: Do you have any hobbies, other than Dykstra?

A: I love to play video games, and I'm usually online when I have nothing else to do.

Q: What is the thing that you hate the most about the high school right now?

A: How crowded it is, it's so annoying sometimes

Q: Who is your favorite teacher?

A: Mr. Trunk and Ms. Beno for American Studies

Q: What's your favorite color?

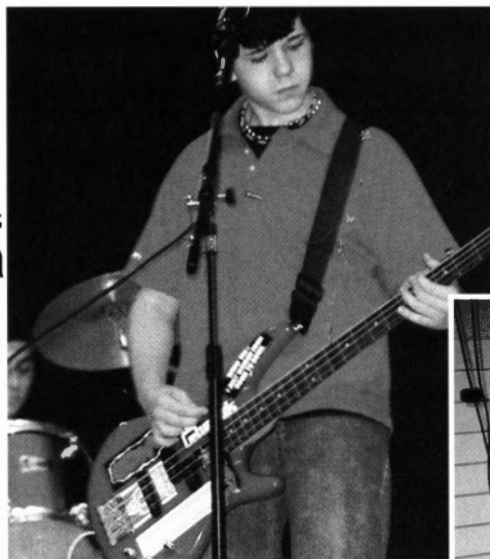
A: Blue, but if black was a color, then it would be black.

Q: What are your thoughts about the new high school?

A: It's going to be new to everyone, and on campus lunch is going to be different because I'm used to leaving every day for lunch.

Q: We've heard that you're extremely independent; why is this?

A: I do whatever I want, basically whatever I feel is the right thing to do.



One of the many ways Nick has fun, is playing his guitar with his band. Photo by Jessica Keener

by Jessica Keener

Tuning his guitar, Nick gets ready to play with Dykstra at Battle of the Bands. Photo by Cortney Duval



Overview: Nick Batora



Aww, Nick Batora? I love him! He's just an all around great kid!

~Annie Childs



He is a very good kid. He's super friendly, has a great attitude, and talks way too much!

~Matt Trunk



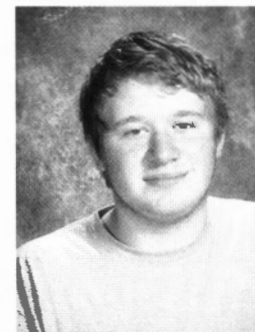
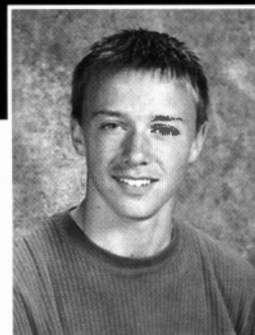
He's a crazy guy! One time we had detention together: he made it lots of fun!

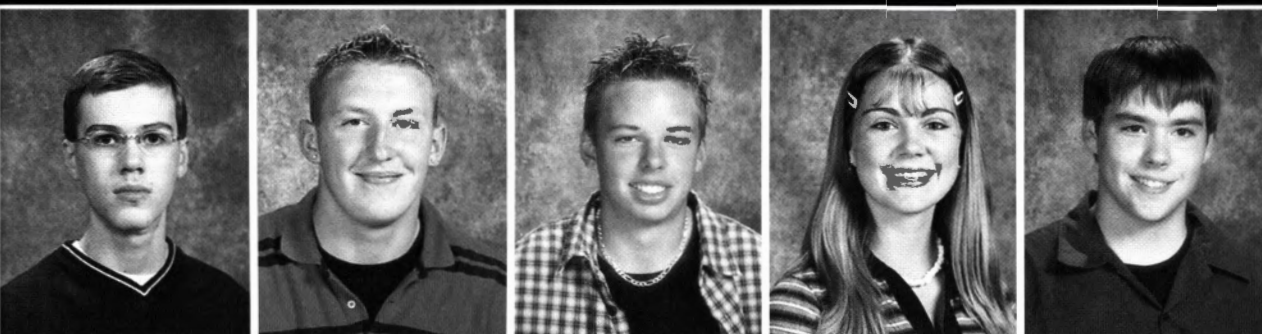
~Erin Belt



He's the coolest kid in the world! He's just fun, and when your with him there's never a dull moment. He's very positive and up-beat.

~Korbj Bare

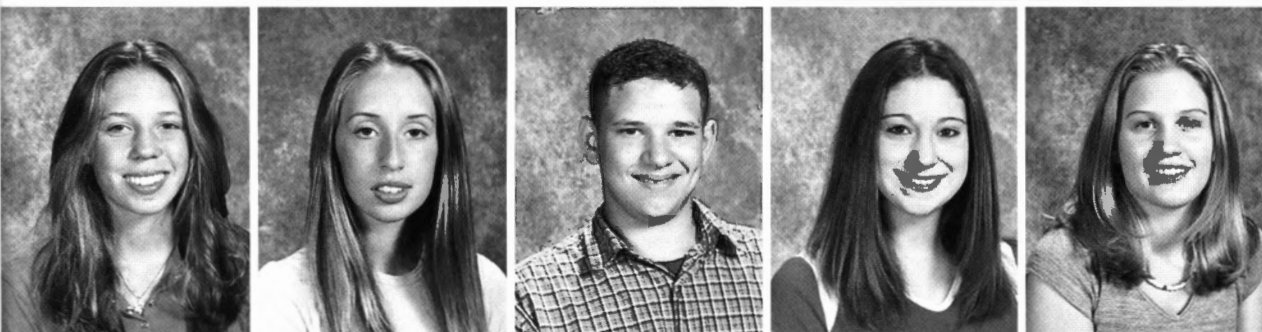




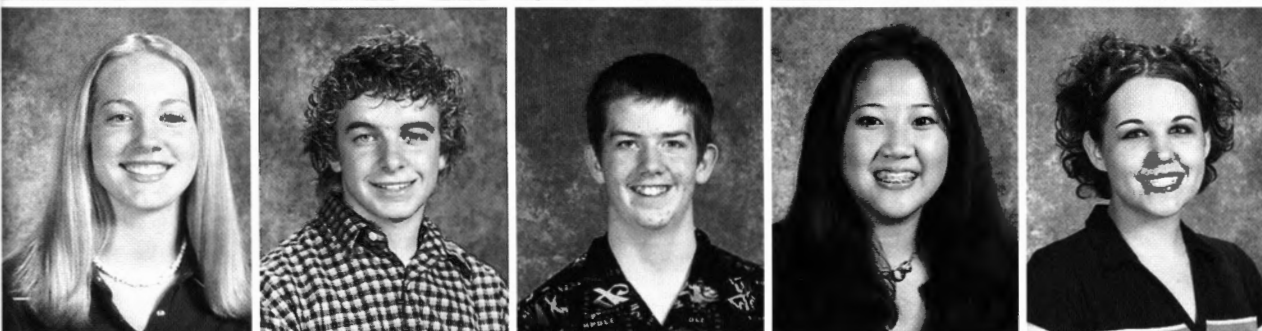
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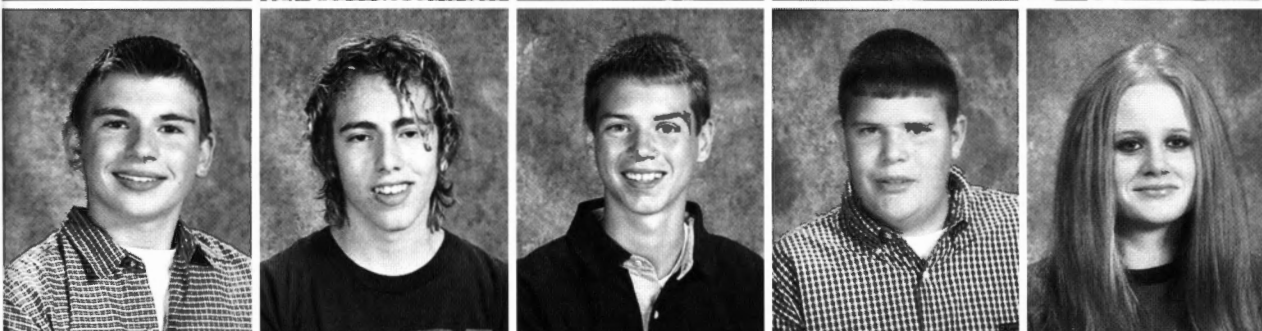
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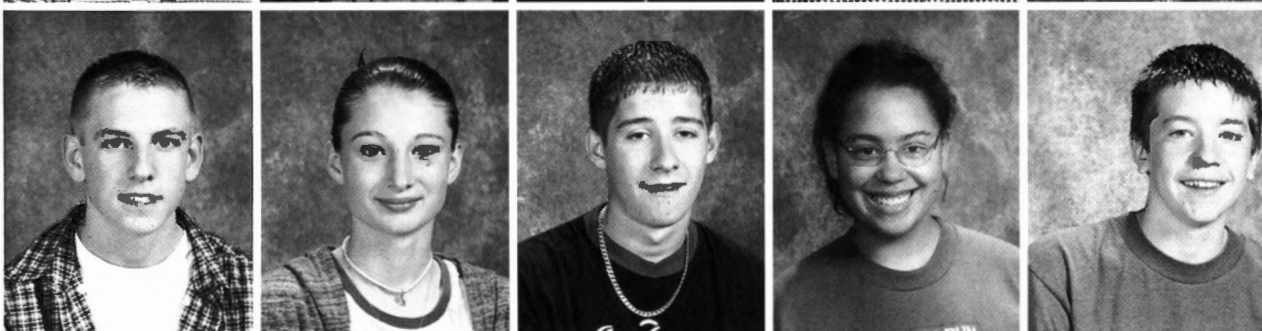
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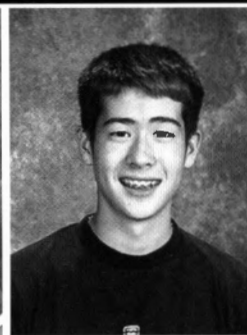
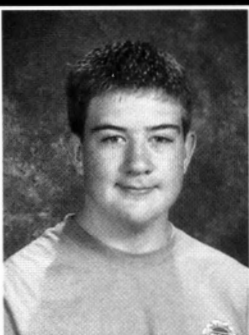


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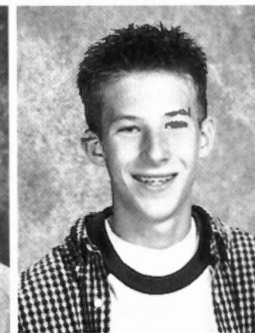
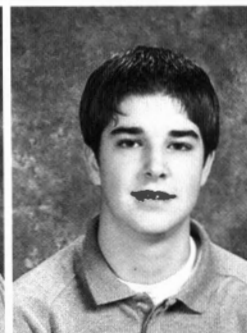
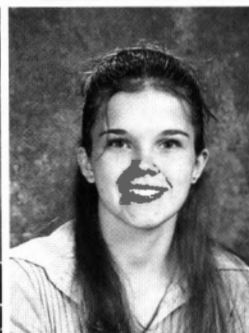
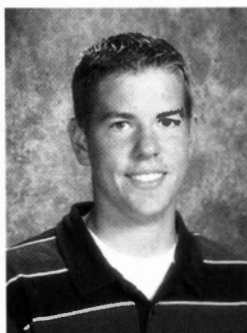


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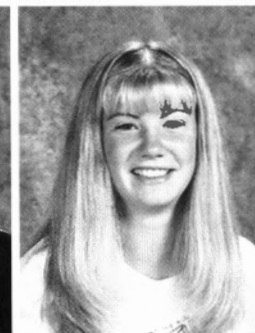
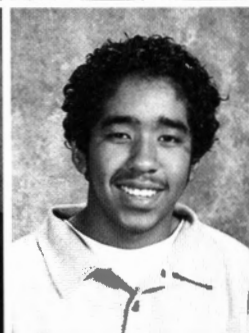
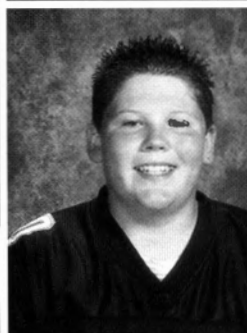
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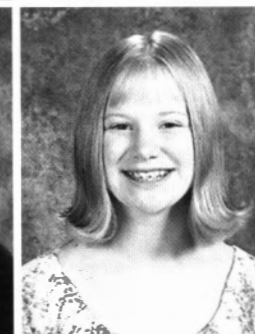
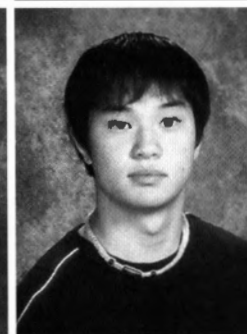
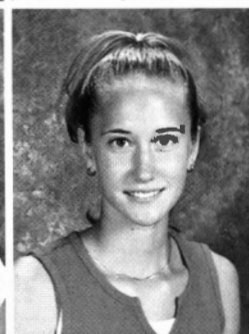
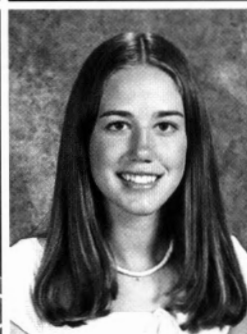
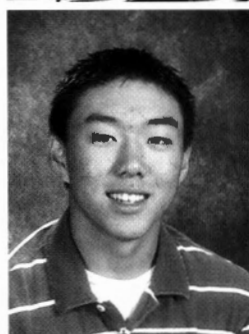
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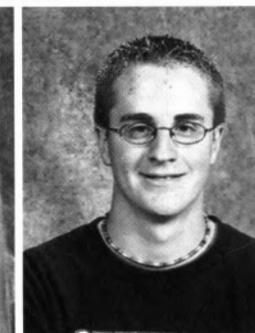
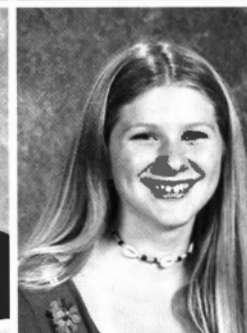
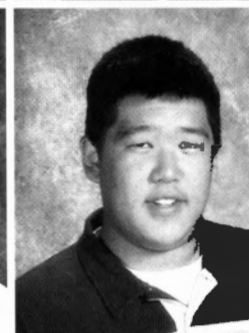
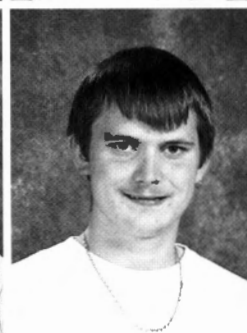
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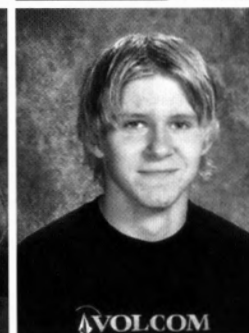
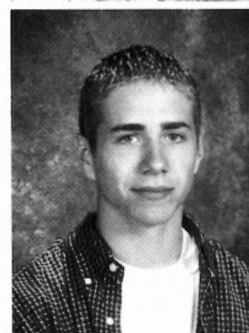
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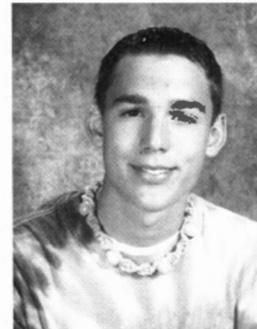
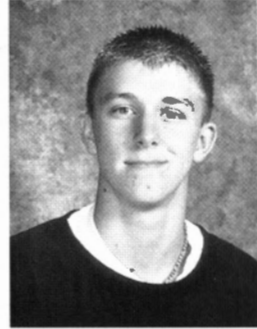
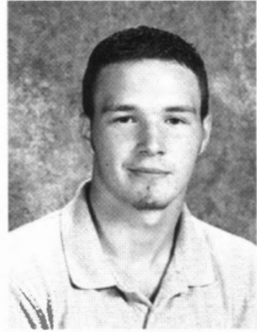


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Jumping into his car is sophomore Jeff Sonnenberg. Sonnenberg was one of the first sophomores to receive his license. Other early drivers included Mikhail Eisler, Erin Strong, Ben Hayhurst, Kevin Allen, and Matt Twomley. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



Countdown to Freedom

by Dani Dimmitt



Finally being 16, able to leave and drive away without your parents... It's all about that little piece of plastic: your license.

Should You Be on the Road?

Take our quiz and find out if you should have your license, or if you should retake the test.

- 1) While you are driving you are suddenly faced with a decision. A car is coming straight at you, what do you do?
 - A. Hit the car that is coming head on going 20mph, while you are traveling 20mph
 - B. Speed up so you can miss the car and hit a tree going 30mph
- 2) What are the top three reasons that there are so many deer/car collisions in Michigan?
 - A. Because there are a lot of cars
 - B. Because there are a lot of deer
 - C. Because this is a small state
 - D. Because people are dumb
- 3) When you come up to a four way stop and there are four people at every light, what do you do?
 - A. Just go
 - B. Let the first person or the person to your right go
 - C. Honk your horn really loud to let everyone know your going

Beware: the countdown has begun! The sophomores are receiving their licenses. Although not every sophomore is able to follow this process, most do. Segment 1 is "exciting, because it's the first time you get to drive," said Kent Williamson. The three-week process that consists of videos on driving safely and worksheets every day is what most students described as boring: "It's the same old thing every day, it really just drives you crazy!" said sophomore Miriam Brewer about her driver's ed experience in August.

There are a handful of sophomores who received their license before the school year began. Jeff Sonnenberg received his on July 16. "It was really cool, my mom woke me up on my birthday and said that I should really wake up early, and I found out that she had scheduled my road test," Sonnenberg replied in regard to his experience.

There are also a few sophomores who will not be receiving their license until they are a senior, including Whitney Job, whose parents have made that a family tradition. Job indicated that "it really stinks, because all of my friends are driving and I still have to depend on my parents or other friends."



Answers to our Road Safety Quiz

- 1) B: The velocity of the car on car collision is actually higher than the velocity of the car hitting the tree.
- 2) A, B, and C: The deer to car ratio is high, and they overpopulate our large state.
- 3) B: It is common courtesy to let the first person there go first and it also follows the rules, even if you really like your horn.

To get to and from school every day, sophomore Whitney Job has to walk, ride the bus or depend on others. She is one of the few sophomores who won't be receiving their license until they are a senior.

GROWING PAINS

by Nick Rogell

Mirror, mirror on the wall, who's the youngest of them all?

Remember the days when walking and riding the bus was your fastest form of transportation? Remember feeling like you weren't going to turn 16 for 30 more years? Well, there are still those few that just aren't growing up fast enough.

I'll be the last to turn 40, so that's good," say CJ Wilgus on being the youngest girl in the school, "but, I'll be the last to turn 16, 18, and 21, too."

Zoran Tomic-Bobas is the youngest person in the school. Just knowing that most of his classmates are already getting cars and he doesn't even have his license yet makes him feel "...bad and left out. I feel like a child, like a boy."

Some students see the benefits of being younger than most. Kaylee Kellogg was one of many people to say that it isn't all bad because "...I still can get the kid's menu at restaurants and get discounts at the movies."

DuJuan Sams is okay with being younger than everyone else because, "If I fail a grade, it won't look that bad because I'll still be the same age as everyone else. I get discounts at football games, too. But later on my friends will get into clubs and I'll have to wait."



Ashley Mrva is taking a "recess" to look over some notes for a class. Photo by Nick Rogell



Sarah Benson is found here in time out beside her locker. Photo by Nick Rogell

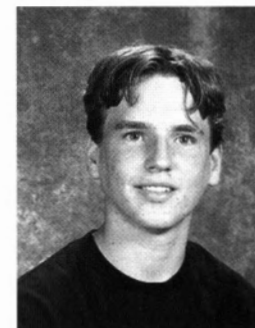
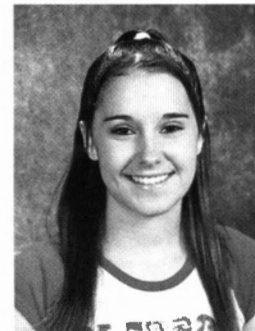


Sharon Ballard is studying up so she can keep up with the older kids of the school. Photo by Nick Rogell

There really aren't any benefits to being younger right now. I guess when everyone else is 40, I can say I'm 38. Right now, though, I just want my license.
~Sara Dundon

Youngest Sophomores

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| Zoran Tomic-Bobas | 02/29/88 | Sara Dundon | 12/01/87 |
| DuJuan Sams | 12/05/87 | CJ Wilgus | 12/01/87 |
| James Mason | 11/23/87 | Sarah Benson | 11/23/87 |
| Peter Piper | 10/30/87 | Ashley Mrva | 11/20/87 |
| Matthew Parks | 10/29/87 | Erin Belt | 11/19/87 |
| Shaun Weldon | 10/27/87 | Kindee Mole | 11/17/87 |
| Greg Rudawski | 10/26/87 | Daniela Guizar | 11/15/87 |
| Kenny Cox | 10/3/87 | Amanda Dreysee | 11/12/87 |
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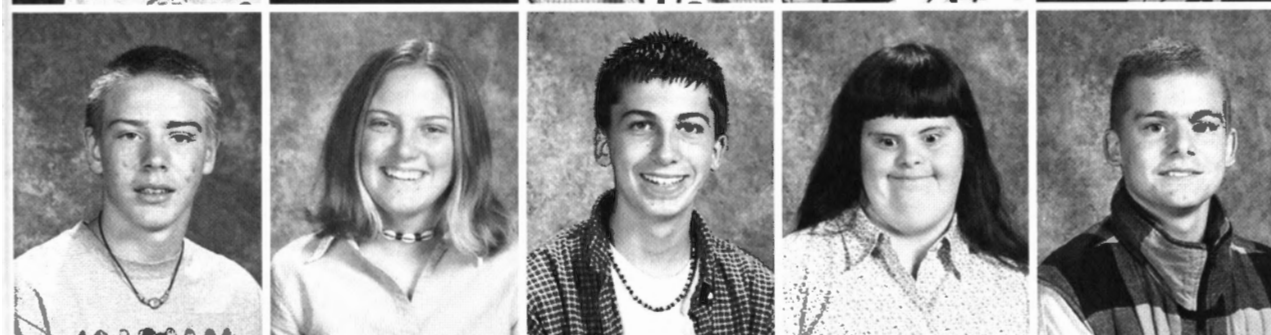




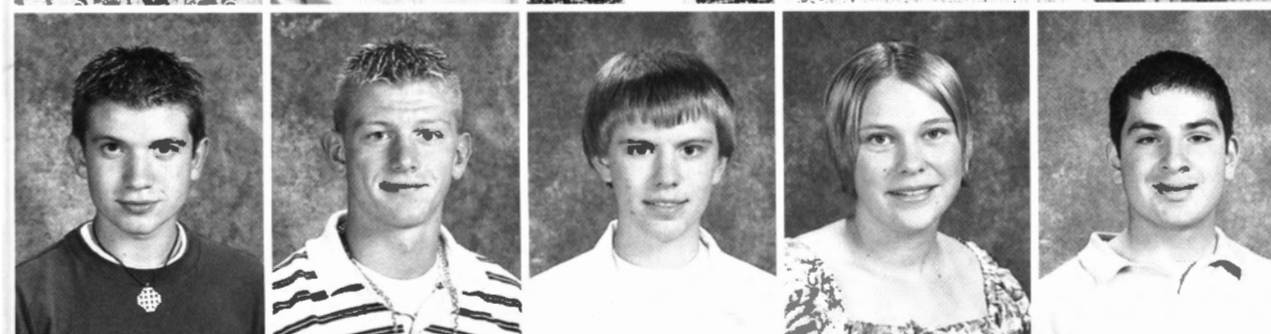
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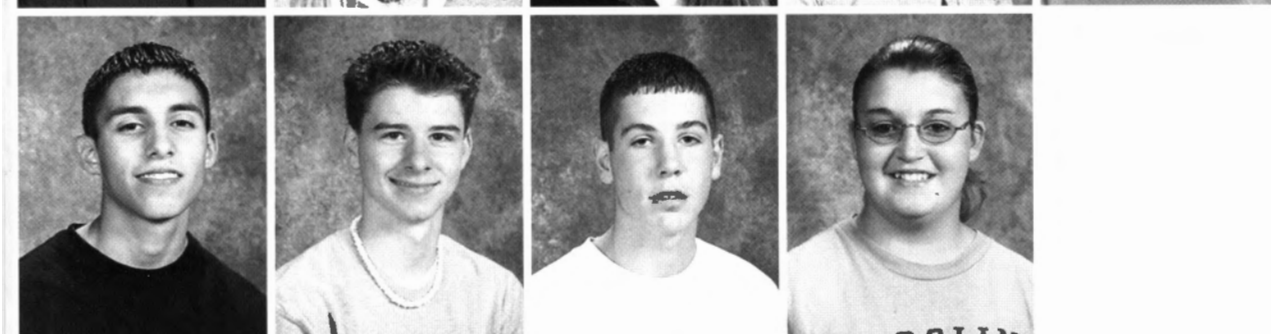
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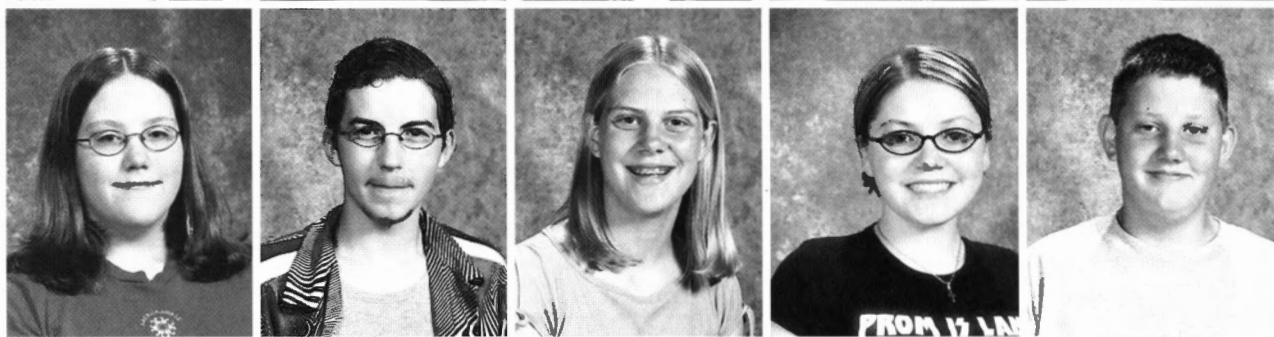


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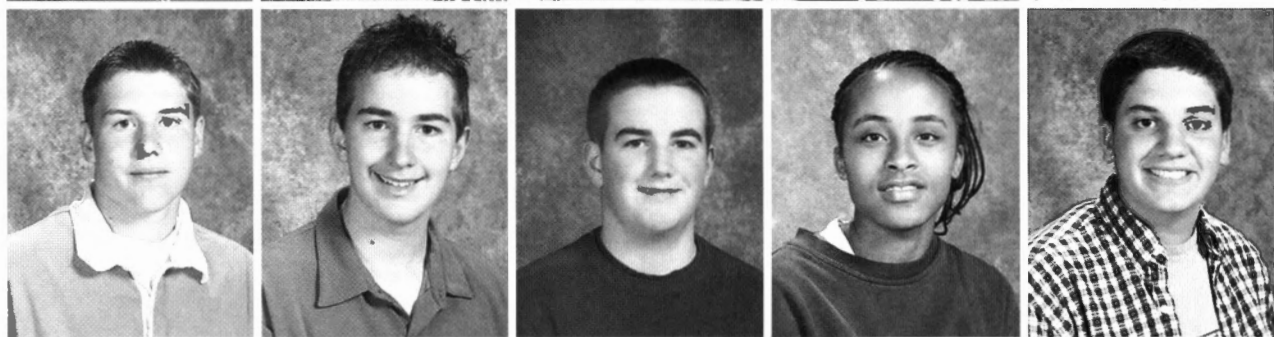
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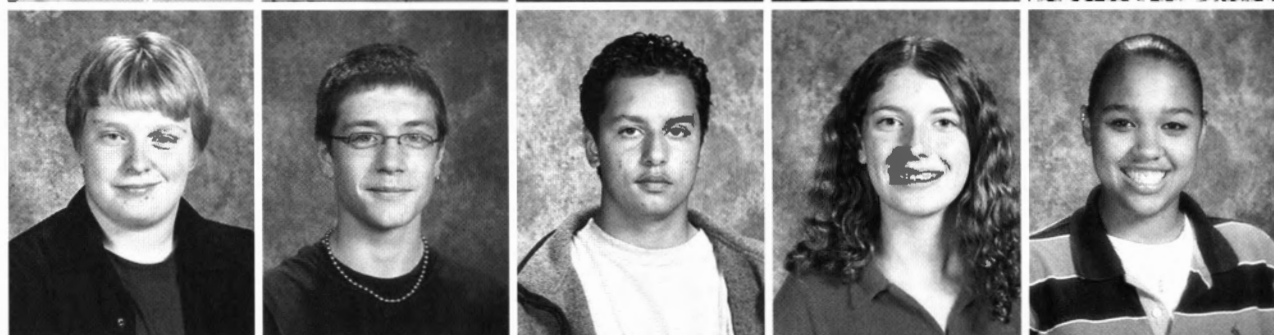
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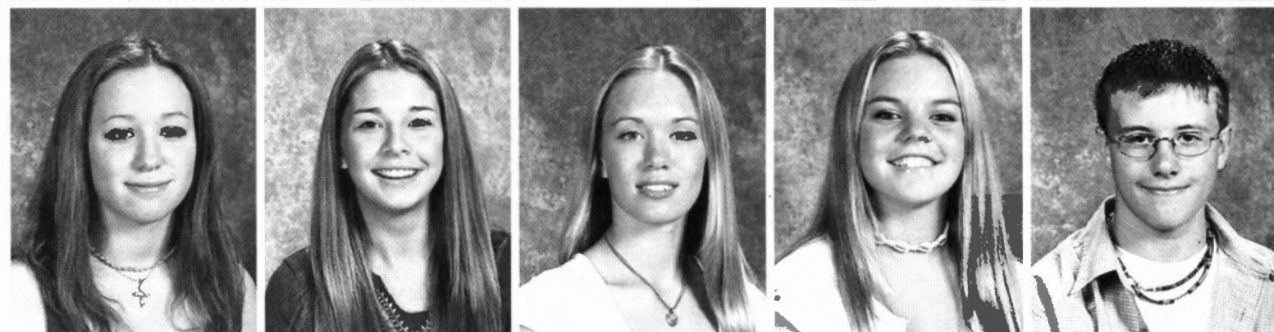
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Horsing Around with the equestrian team



While eagerly awaiting the start of the day's competition, sophomores Katie Golden and Kaitlyn Sherer stand with their horses.

Testing, Testing... Equestrian Trivia

1. A girth strap is worn by

- A) the rider
- B) the horse
- C) the judge

2. Which of the following is NOT a typical equestrian event?

- A) Gymkhana
- B) Western Equitation
- C) Bronco Busting

3. Which of the following is NOT a difference between Western and English styles?

- A) the type of saddle
- B) the type of clothing
- C) the type of shoes a horse wears

4. An equestrian might refer to curry as

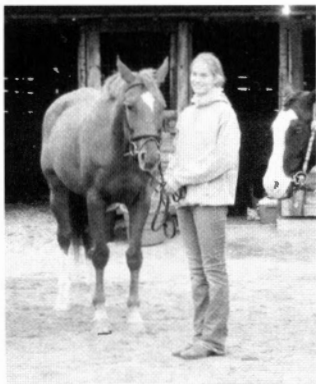
- A) a spicy Indian food
- B) a type of comb used for horse care
- C) a kind of hedge in show jumping

5. The facial marking on senior Tiffany Twitchell's horse (right) is known as

- A) a spot
- B) a star
- C) a splotch

6. What makes up a horse's main diet?

- A) apples & carrots
- B) grain
- C) grass & hay



Katie Golden Charlie

Events: English and Western Pleasure and Equitation, Showmanship, Jumping, Reining, Trail

Favorite event:

"Showmanship because if you work hard at it, anyone can be good at it."



Kaitlyn Sherer Revie

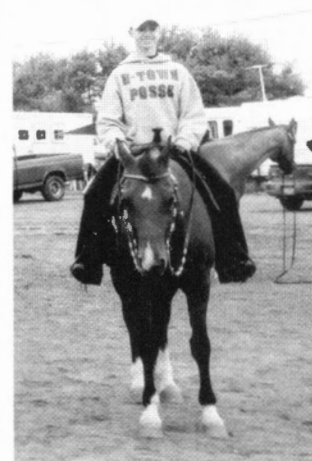
Events: Gymkhana (speed events), Reining, Trail

Favorite event:

Barrel racing

Proudest moment:

"Last year I only earned 2 points, but this year I earned 36 points and placed first in Trail and Reining."



Answers

1. B) The horse wears a girth strap to keep the saddle on.
2. C) Kaitlyn Sherer participates in Gymkhana; Jessica Seguin and Katie Golden participate in Western Equitation.
3. C) The saddle, bridle, clothing and posture of the rider is different in English and Western styles.
4. B) A curry comb is used to groom a horse.
5. B) Facial markings include stars, stripes, or blazes. Leg markings can be socks or stockings.
6. C) Most horses eat grass and hay, with grain, apples, and carrots as occasional treats.

Swooshes

by Ben Berry

Have you ever noticed how many people look at your shoes? There are so many styles out there and so many brands. Picking the shoe that fits you is rarely an easy task. What do you look for in a shoe? Performance? Style? Comfort? Each different shoe on this page has a different purpose for a different type of person. Let's see how much you pay attention to shoes. Try to match the person with the shoe. Good luck!



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Andy Kirkpatrick



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Nick Rogell



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Tara Dell

n' stripes

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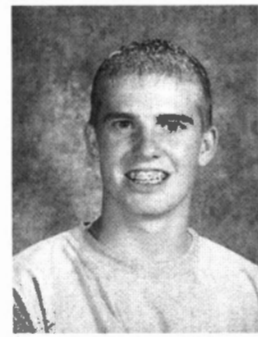
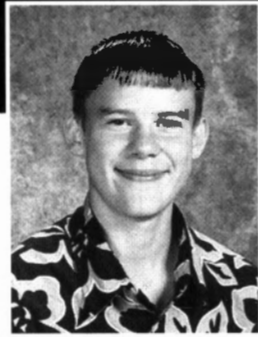
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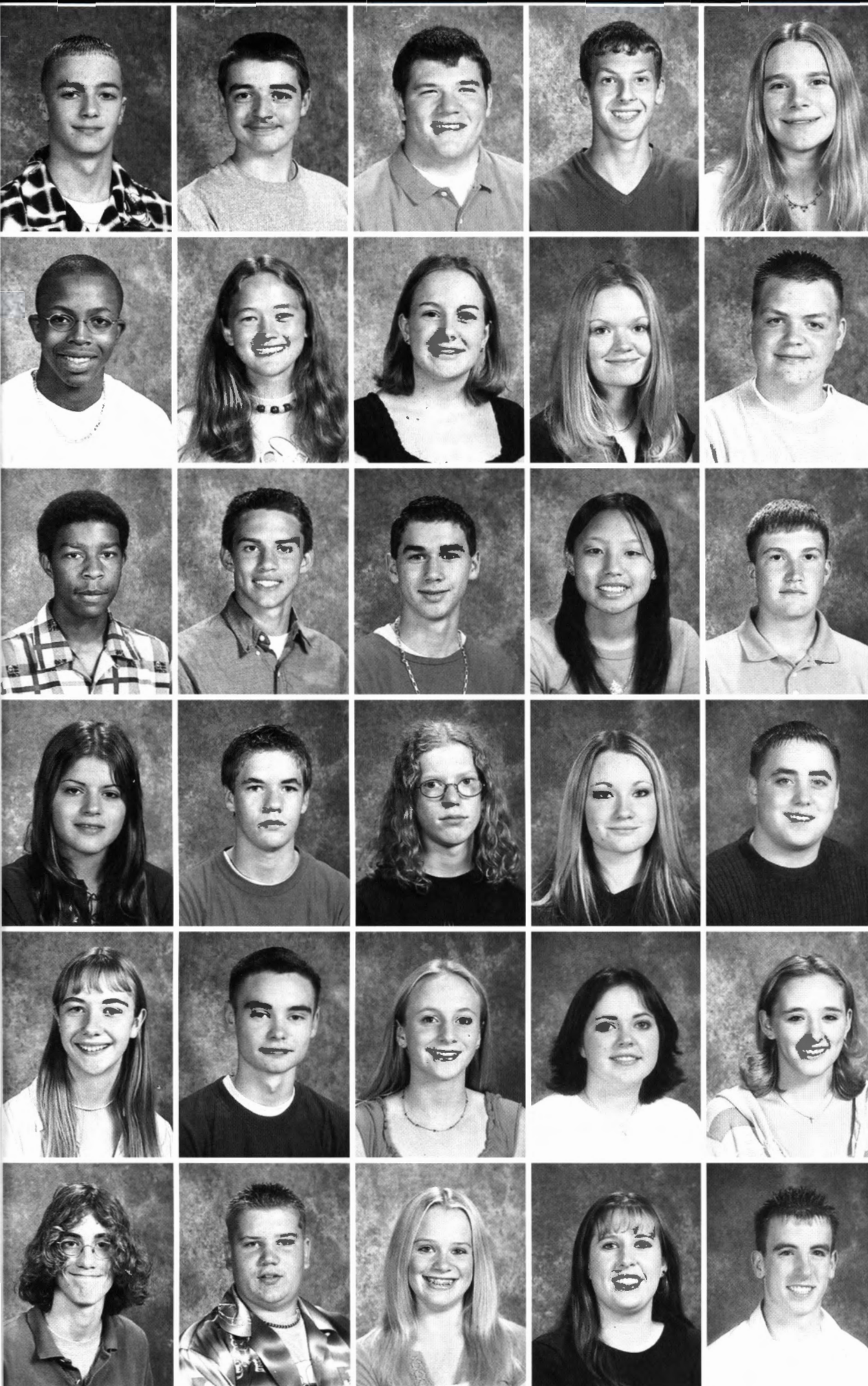


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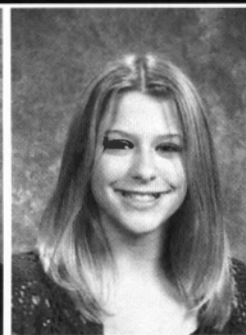
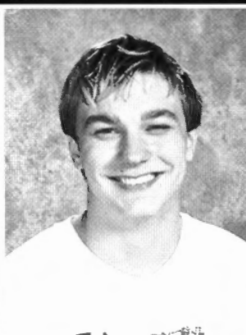
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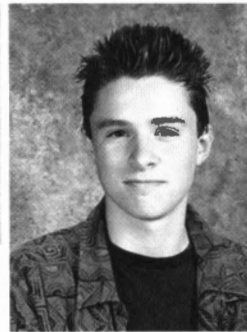
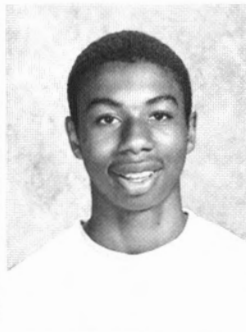
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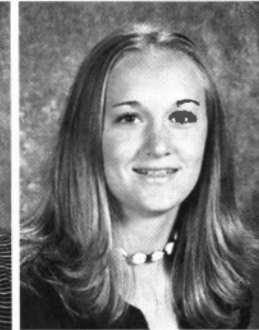
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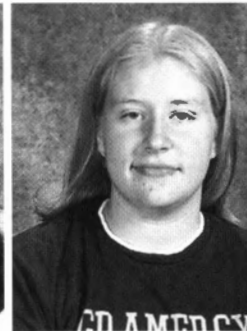
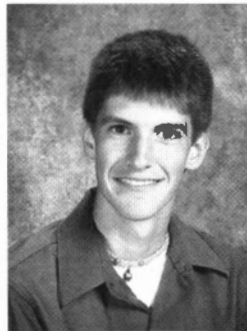
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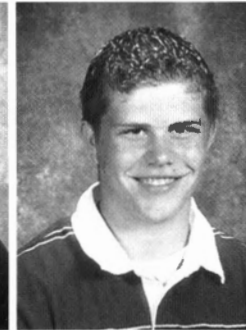
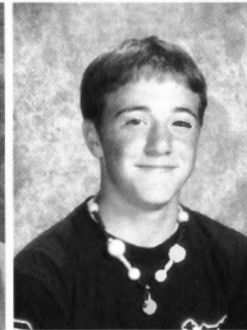
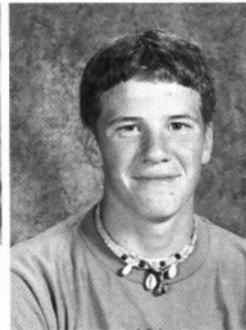
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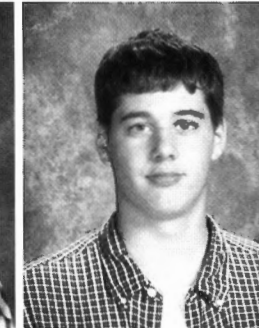
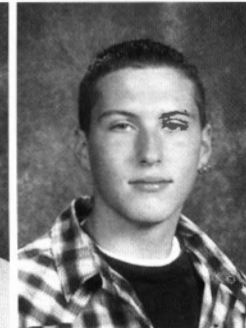
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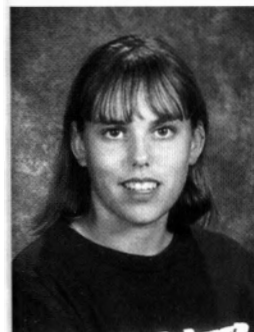
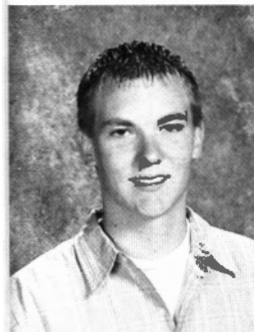


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Steven Lynch
Melissa Marecki





Raging Sound by Ben Berry



Practicing their tunes at Jeremiah's house are Dykstra band members Nick Batora, former band member Mike Gleason, Brent White, and Jeremiah Cooper. Cooper's house is the normal practice spot for Dykstra. Without all the practice, Dykstra would have absolutely no sound. Practice makes perfect, and Dykstra is always looking for the best sound.

Dykstra. A great band with a great sound. Dykstra has been playing together for nearly two years now. The band plays a mix of punk and rock music.

There are currently three members in the band: Nick Batora on the bass guitar and lead vocals, Brent White on drums and backup vocals, and Jeremiah Cooper playing lead guitar.

Dykstra has played in many great shows and they are hoping to put out a CD soon. "Playing in our band has its ups and downs," said Cooper, "Sometimes we will do two or three shows a month, some months we don't play at all. But we are always practicing and writing new music." Batora added, "We face a new challenge everyday, but all in all we just have fun."

If you missed Dykstra at the Battle of the Bands you can find them playing party to party and they are always looking for a new gig. Dykstra is always working on making their music better. Being able to have fun while they do it is the fuel that carries them on in becoming great musicians.

Finding the Fourth. An interesting name and a very interesting band. Awhile back, before Finding the Fourth was an established band, they were musicians with a vision. Soon there were two great guitarists, Steve Crockett and Matt Denny. Not too long after, an unknown but very skilled drummer, Ben Hayhurst, joined Crockett and Denny. These three were searching for a fourth. This gave them their name, Finding the Fourth. The Fourth was soon found. Peter Piper, friend of the band members and neighbor of Hayhurst joined to be the lead singer.

Now the band is off and making music. "I think we have created a base for a band, and we hope to put out quality music," said Denny. "We are here mostly to have fun," added Crockett.

"Currently we are in a meditation state...figuring out what works and what doesn't and we are going to come back and rock even harder than ever," said Crockett.

Finding the Fourth is not dead by any means. "We're just shaking off that punk powerchord label," says Crockett.

Watch for Finding the Fourth. By all means, they are going to shine and turn some heads doing it.



Jamming at Mason Lanes Bowling alley, with Peter Piper's voice, Ben Hayhurst's drums, and Steve Crockett on the guitar, Finding the Fourth put on this gig when nearly 75 Holt sophomores came to watch their favorite band jam. Performances like this are what keeps Finding the Fourth motivated to keep practicing.

Flipping for Tiffany Heuhs



"Work before play"

is one of Tiffany's mottos. She works hard to keep her grades up for gymnastics.

Photo by Sharon Ballard

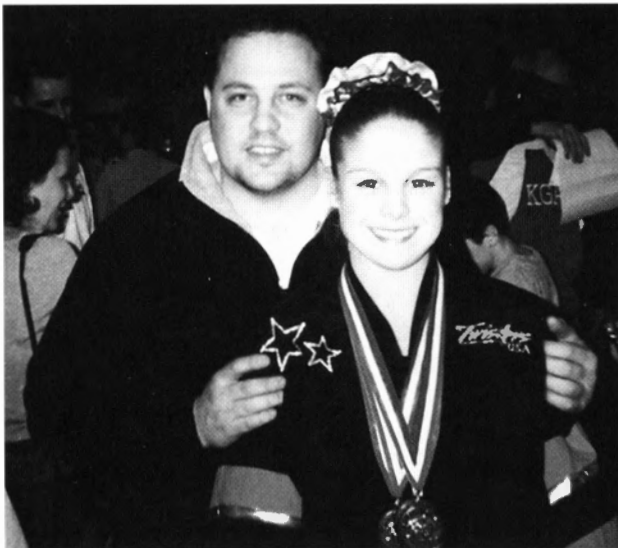
On the parallel bars, Tiffany takes a deep breath as she gets ready to do a double back giant.

Courtesy Photo

From sommersaults to double backs, Tiffany Heuhs is a fifteen-year-old girl who has been dreaming of being a gymnast since she was four. Tiffany's inspiration for gymnastics was television. When Tiffany finally got into gymnastics at age six, she never gave up because she knew she had a lot more to come. Tiffany went so far she had the opportunity to go regionals, states, nationals, and the Bahamas just to compete.

Tiffany stumbled across rocky roads during her ninth grade year when she broke her leg by tumbling off of a vault and got forty-sixth place in nationals and couldn't practice for about two months. Huehs, however, remained optimistic: "There's a first try for everything and breaking your leg seems to be one of them."

The only downside Tiffany sees to gymnastics is that "You can't hang with your friends!" She practices five days a week and five hours a day. In spite of this, she tries to maintain a balanced life, offering this advice for her fellow students: "Don't let extra-curricular events get in your way of love and friends; flips and bars aren't important".

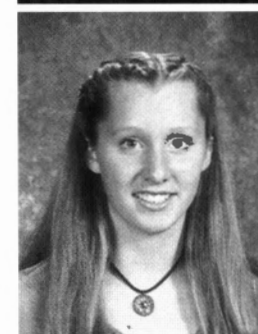
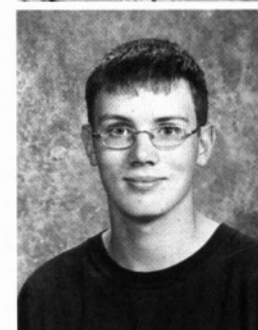
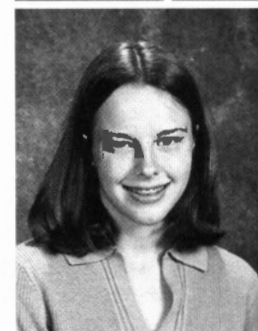
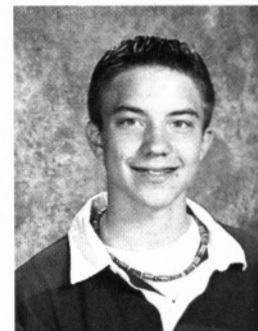
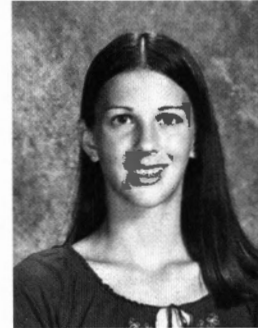
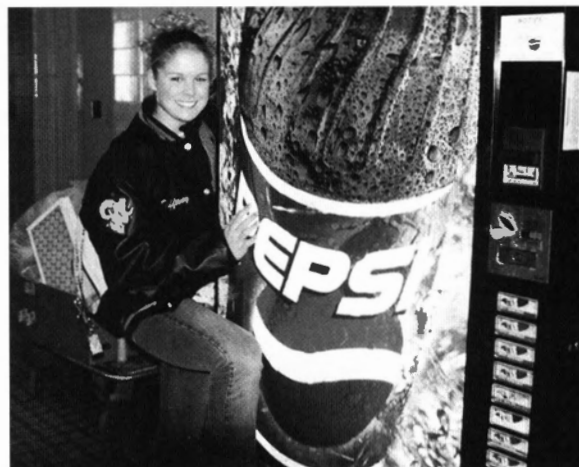
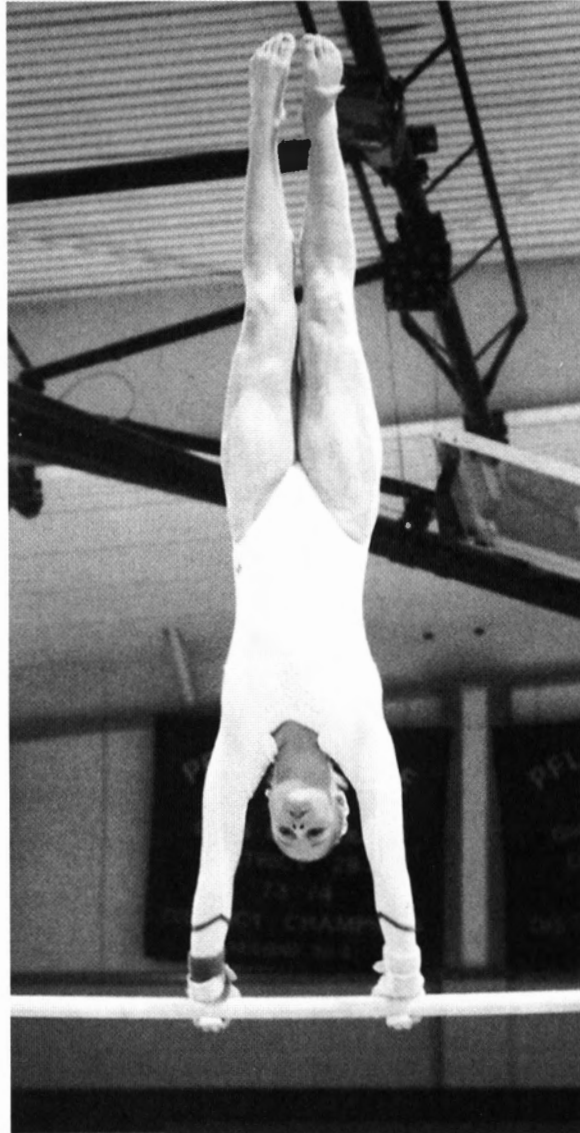


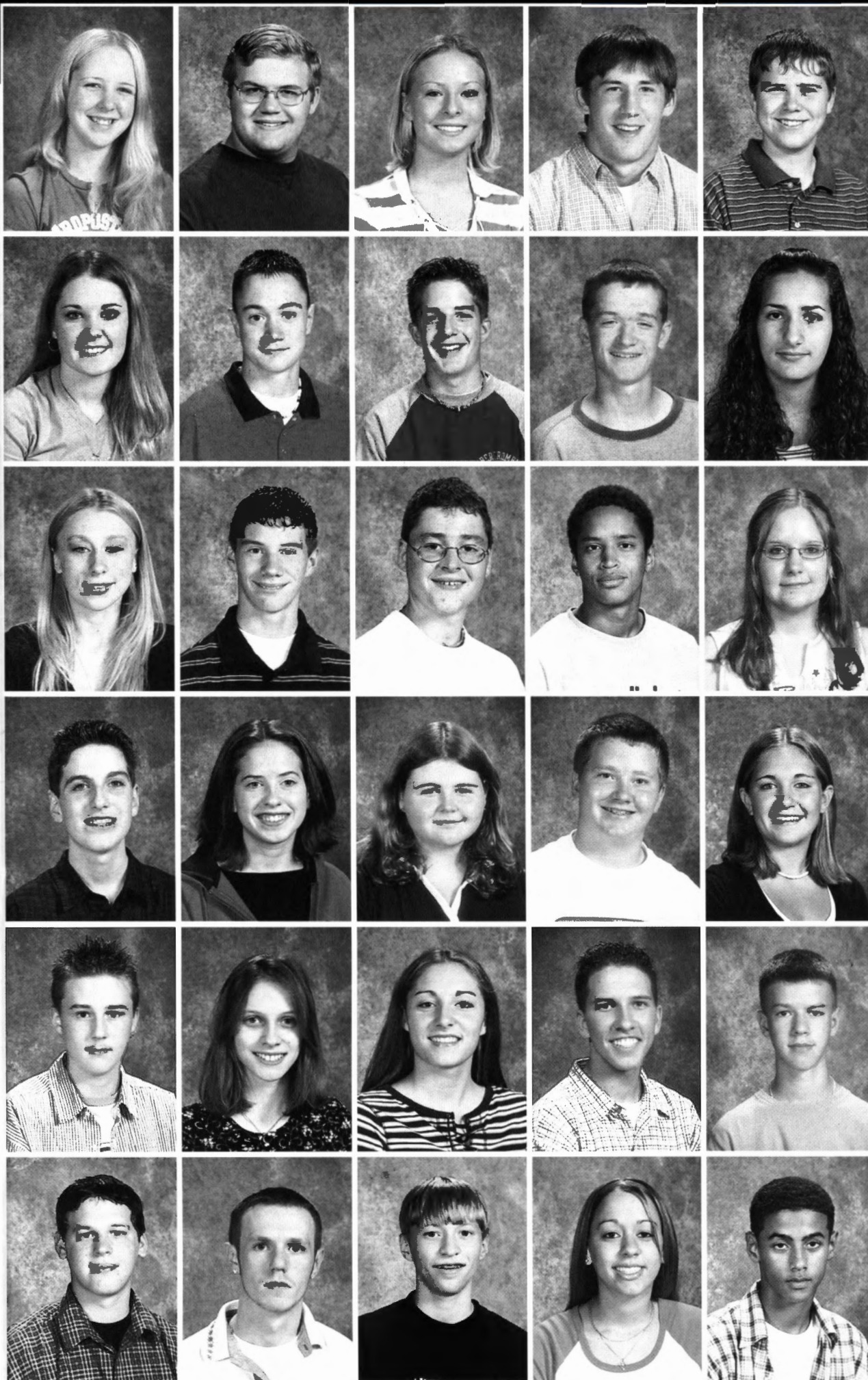
Standing by her head coach with her ribbons and metals, Tiffany represents Twisters with pride!

Courtesy Photo

In spite of her first place at regionals, Tiffany isn't afraid of being a little silly. Here she hangs out with the vending machine.

Photo by Sharon Ballard





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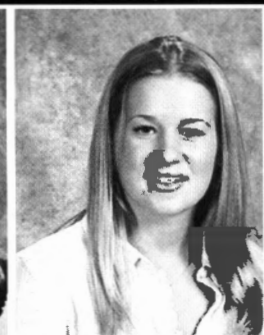
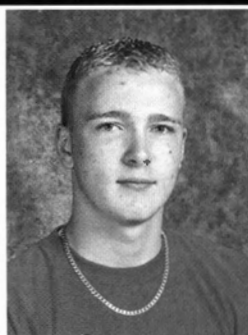
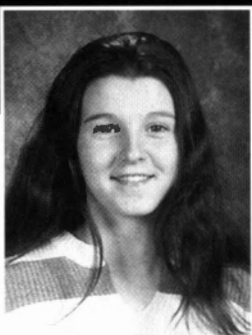
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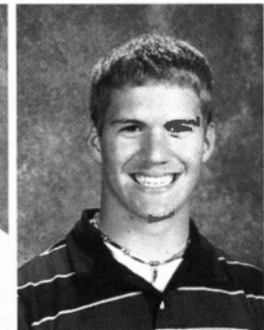
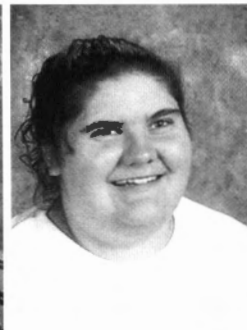
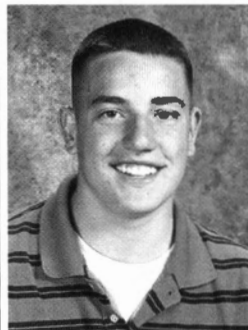
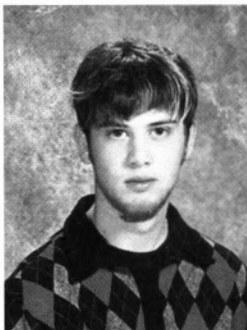
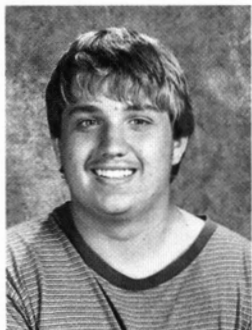
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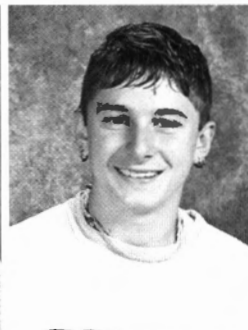
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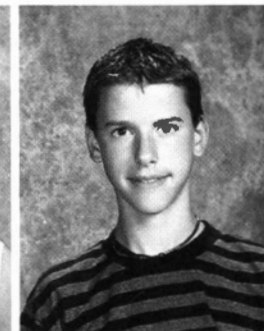
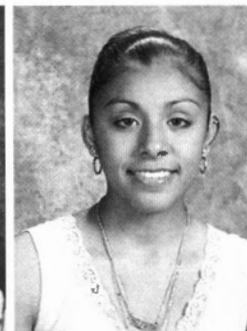
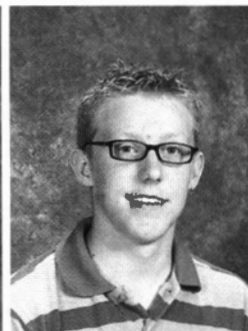
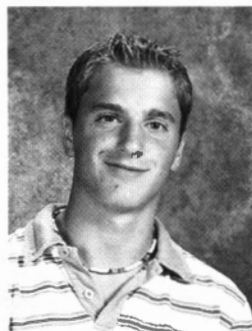
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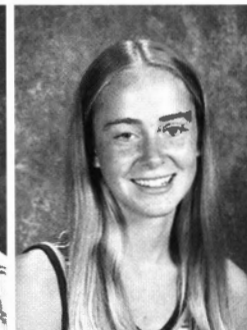
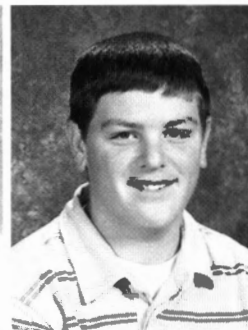
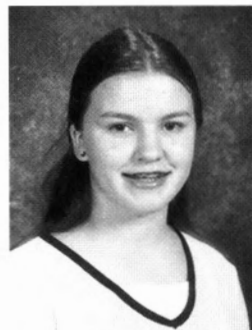
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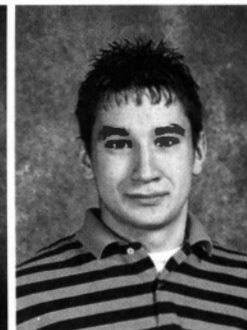
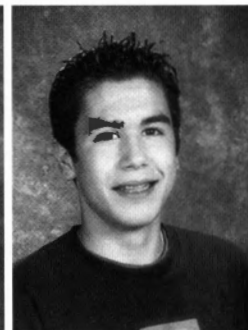
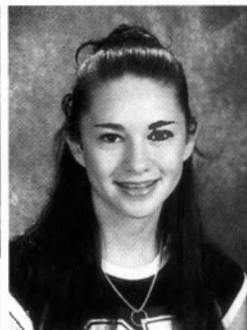
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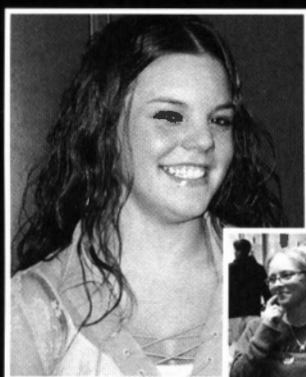
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Say what?

Match the sophomore with his or her favorite saying...

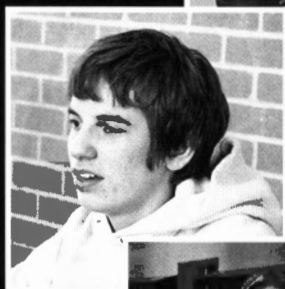
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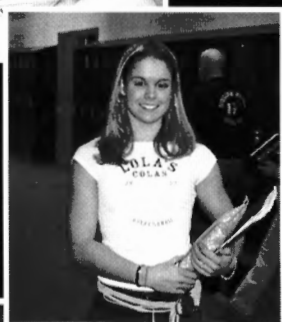
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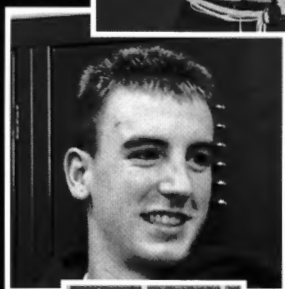
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f
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1 "Einem geschehen ganl sieht man nichts im maul. (Don't look a gift horse in the mouth.)"

2 "Bonus!!!"

3 "Oh yea"

4 "Mmm....that's hott!"

5 "Get it!"

6 "Cooool"

Answers: 1.c 2.d 3.e 4.a 5.b 6.f

Commonly Overheard

Classroom teachers' common sayings

Juanita Grew: "Joe Powell, pull up your pants!"

Dan Knechtel: "That's tight; I'm down with that."

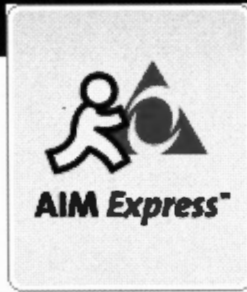
Rosie Peters: "Las mich aus dem spiel."

Jim Keckeisen: "Get to class!"

Megan Kershul: "Okay..."

Words with no mouth

by Kyle Kocsis



She opens the door, the dog at her feet to greet her. She ignores him and runs hurriedly for her bedroom upstairs. As she enters the "sanctuary", she throws her bag onto the neatly-made bed. Then, she quickly pulls the chair out from the desk and, before she is even sat down, she is punching at the keys. She then gets to work as the internet connection hums an intoxicating tune. Within about two fast minutes, she is talking to five of her friends, and no doubt she'll be talking to five more of them soon. This ritual that she portrays is one commonly practiced by quite a few students at Holt High. The act of instant messaging has become just as common as talking on the phone for them, and the phone might be an artifact someday because of the instant messaging.

Many teachers, like Marcie Abdullah, use e-mail regularly to keep in touch with each other, as well as their family and friends. Photo by Raquel Llinas



Name:
Alex Earhardt
IM Screen Name:
nolimit549
Most used smiley expression:
"I never use smileys. I think the idea is just really stupid. just say what I need to in words."

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MyAIM People Tools Help

We asked sophomores who they Instant Message. Here's what they said:

- Buddies **95%**
- Family **10%**
- Co-Workers **2%**

I use AIM to keep in touch with my friends who live in other states. Also I IM my friend's little brother who is a freshman in college and tell him "Do your homework." :-D
~Joy Durdning, intern

Name:
Nick Rogell
IM Screen Name:
Gmwh1

Most used acronym:
"I don't really use acronyms, but I do use shortened versions of words like, if I say "know", I just use "no" or "kno."



Name:
Korbi Bare
IM Screen Name:
Karebare221
Best Friend's Screen Name:
Marypoppens-50



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William Richardson
Aaron Richmond
Tyler Rick

Jenna Ries
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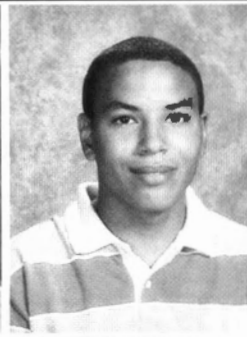
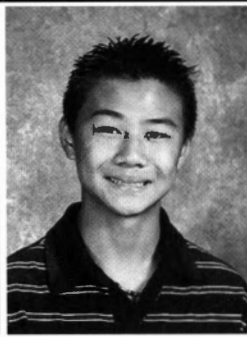
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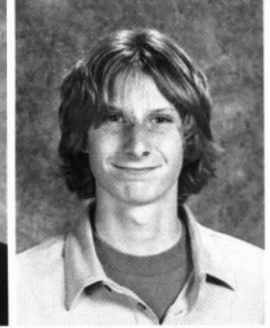
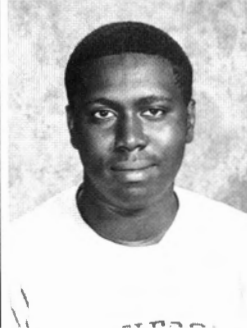
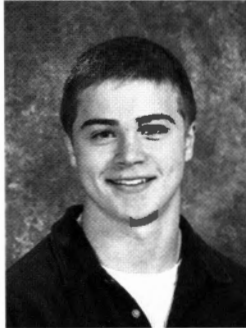
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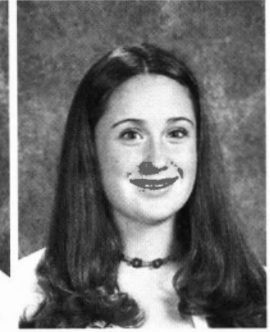
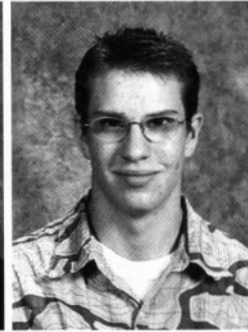
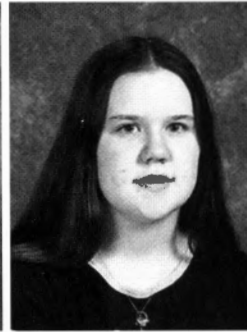
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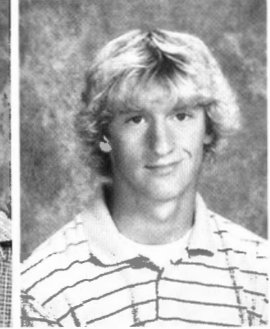
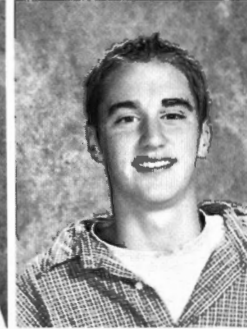
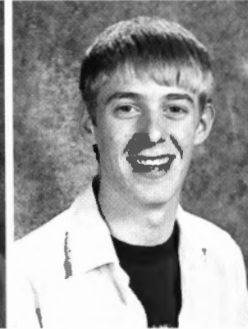
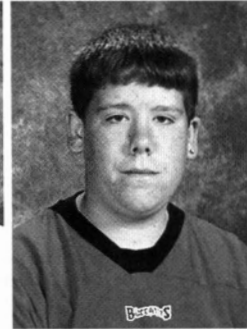
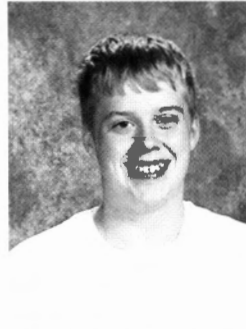
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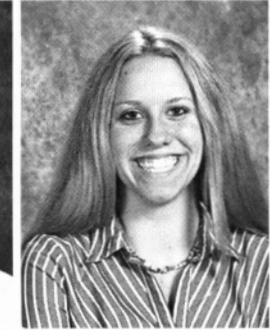
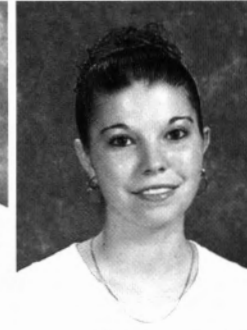
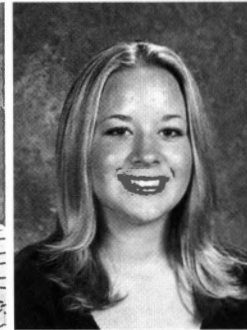
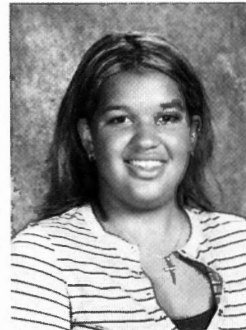
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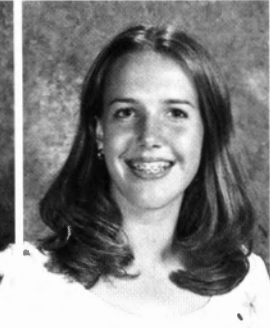
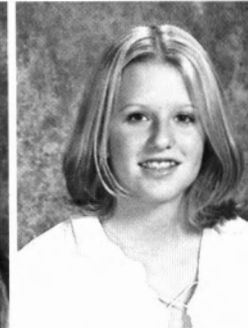
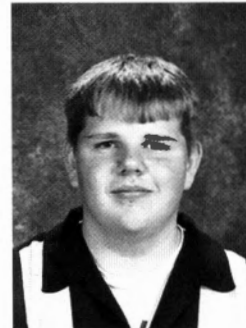
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Dylan Tate
Talitha Taylor
Alexandra Templin
Heather Tews
Michele(Mia) Theroux
Joy Thomas-Emmons



Making



the team

by Katie Ross
& Raquel Llinas

"[As a sophomore] it makes me feel like underclassmen can succeed at a varsity level," says sophomore David Appold at a cross country invitational. Photo by Kyle Kocsis



Coach Smith and sophomore Mikhail Eiseler discuss the next play against Ann Arbor Pioneers before their win. "It's a privilege [to be on varsity] because a lot of kids don't get that opportunity and everybody is real nice," said Eiseler. Photo by Leah Maier

New classes, new teachers, new people, and new surroundings. This is what the sophomore year is all about. A new experience. Sophomores dealing with the upperclassmen can really be a tough transition from being the older and more experienced class in the junior high to being the youngest and newest class in the senior high. Not to mention the crowded hallways and being towered over between classes by everyone else in the school.

Along with this new experience and everything it carries, add some homework and a sport. This can take up just enough time to make a schedule tough. Sophomores work hard to achieve their goals and to get good grade point averages to make the varsity team sports that interest them the most.

Sophomores learn to keep up with their surroundings in order to maintain happiness and fulfillment within the new school year.

Despite coping with the hard work and other difficulties of being a sophomore, there's always new and exciting clubs and activities provided for entertainment that the sophomores can look forward to.

Being a sophomore is an exciting first year of high school. There are some fun times and there are difficult times as they learn what it is like to be in the high school for the first year.



In English class, working hard to keep up her GPA for dance team is sophomore Katie Conklin. "There's only three sophomores on the varsity dance team, so it's neat to be one of them. I get along well with all the other girls on the team," Conklin says. Photo by Raquel Llinas



"Being a sophomore on a varsity team was scary at first, but as the season went on we grew closer and the grade you were in didn't matter," revealed sophomore Sarah Smith. At this game in Jackson, Holt won 6-0, 6-0. Photo by Ashley Loveall



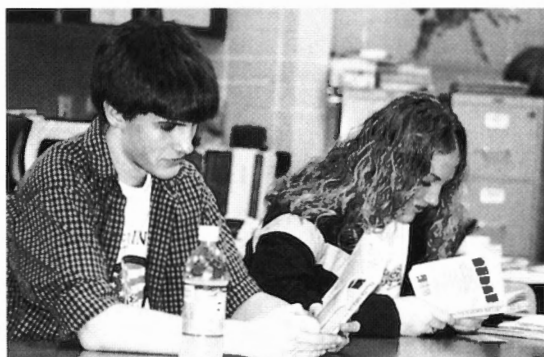
Page Turners

by Keri Kosloski

Sophomores confess what they read for silent reading...

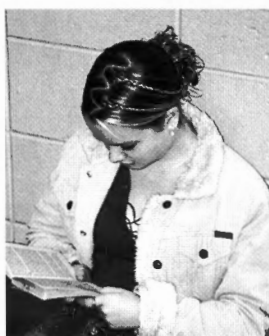
For sophomores, Wednesday are a time to sleep in, eat a bigger breakfast, or maybe come in early to catch up on some extra homework that their teacher gave them at the last minute. But for English teachers it means two words... silent reading. "I think if you're always assigning books it turns the kids away from wanting to read, but giving them time to read whatever they want encourages them to become better readers," said English teacher Amy Clark.

Silent reading is a program that the majority of the English teachers practice and it's not just for sophomores either, there are junior English teachers that participate in the reading program. Even though the program is supposed to encourage students to pick their own reading material and use that time wisely, some kids, however, use the time to read assigned books rather than taking them home as homework. "I usually choose the book we are assigned to read for Wednesday mornings. I am reading *Fallen Angels* right now and I probably would not choose to read this book if it wasn't assigned to me," says sophomore Gracie Hillard. And although some of the books assigned to students wouldn't be their first choice, English teacher Christine Beno says that "most of my sophomores love reading *Fallen Angels*, more guys than girls, of course. It's usually their favorite book of the year."



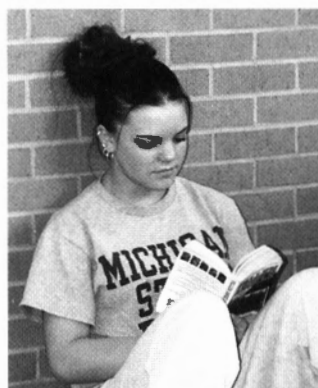
Spending the rest of Wednesday morning to read an assigned book, sophomores Tyler Lamie and Megan Campian finish *Fallen Angels*. Photo by Shawn Jackson

Giving them time to read whatever they want encourages them to become better readers.
~Amy Clark

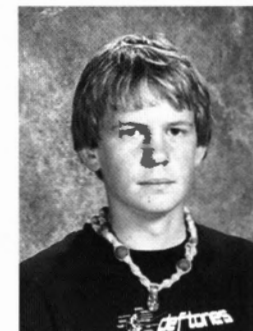
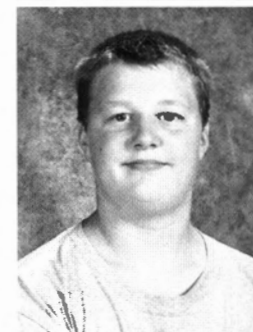
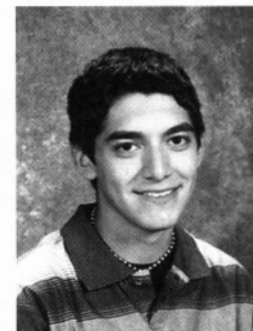
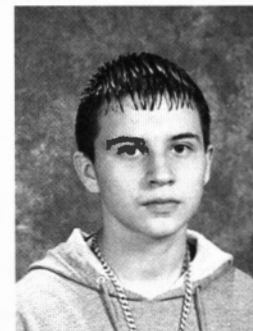


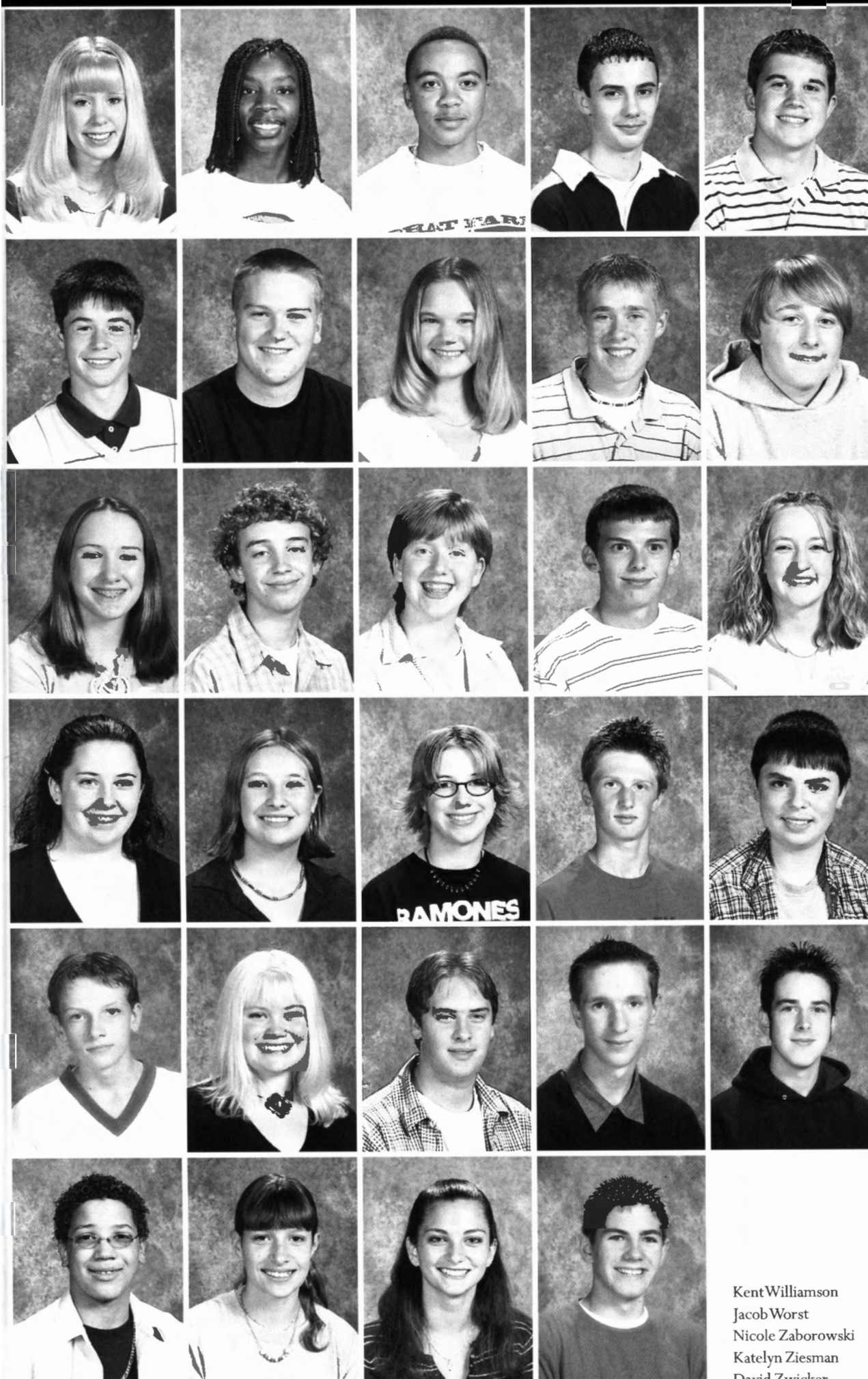
Finishing up *Animal Farm*, an assigned book from her English teacher, sophomore Kaylee Kellogg admits, "I think the book is boring, but I have to read it." Photo by Shawn Jackson

"I usually pull students out to talk with them or sometimes grade papers, just get some extra work done. Or sometimes I'll take the opportunity to have some 'me time' and read a book of my choice," says English 10 teacher Amy Clark. Photo by Keri Kosloski



Almost halfway through the assigned book for her English class, sophomore Gracie Hillard takes time out in the hall to read *Fallen Angels*. Photo by Shawn Jackson





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Matthew Wilhelm
Danielle Willcutt
Derek Williams
Gregory Williams
Nicholas Williams

Kent Williamson
Jacob Worst
Nicole Zaborowski
Katelyn Ziesman
David Zwicker

What's your idea of
Winter Fun?

**I worship
snow! It gives
me a day to
sleep in and do
whatever I
want to do that
day.**

~Eva Weihl

**I like to jump
off roofs and
land in the
snowbanks.**

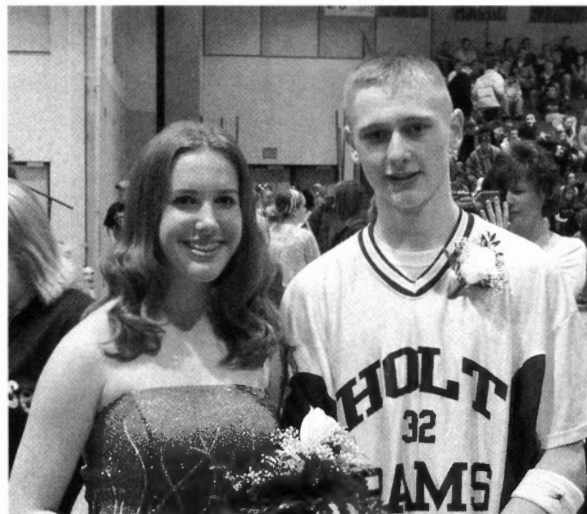
**-Brett
Southwell**

**I love to go
sledding and
skiing on my
snowday.**

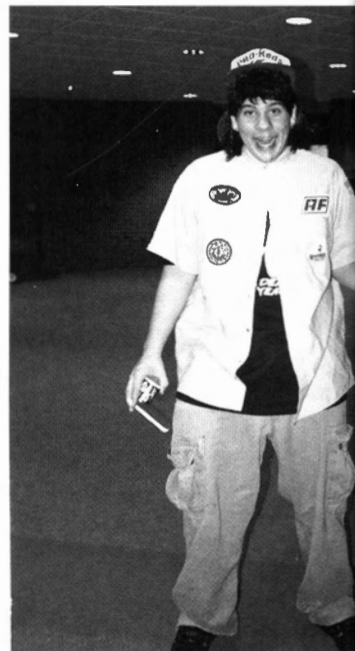
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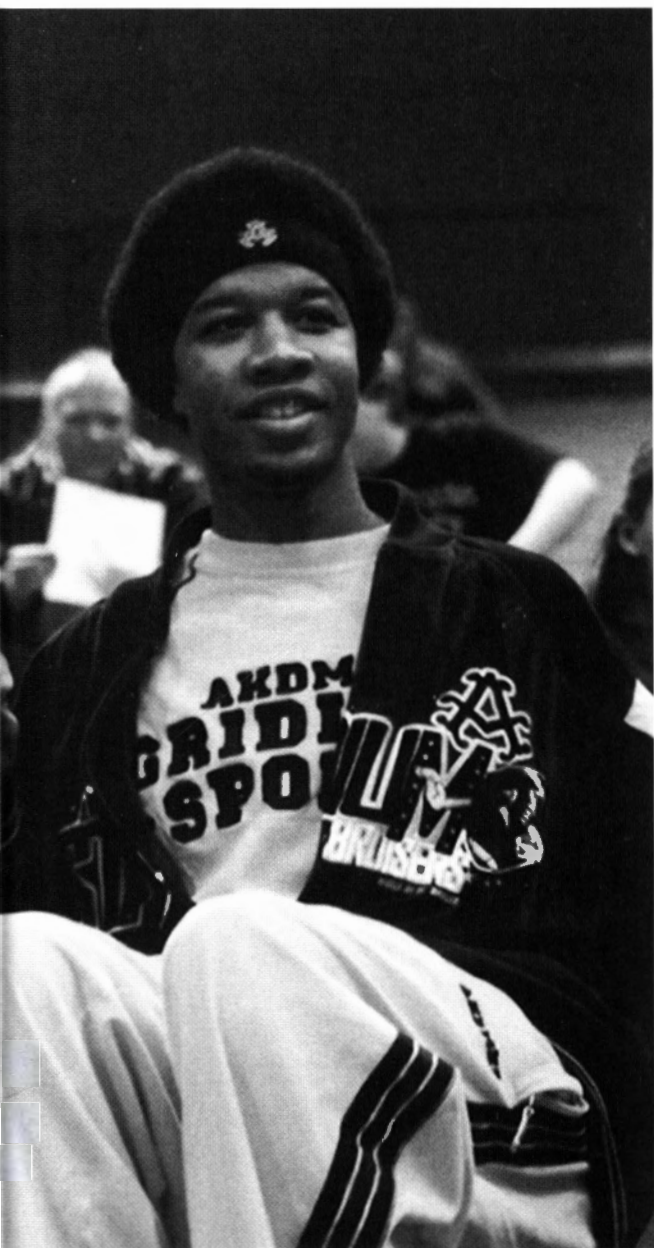
**I like to wake
up extra early
and shovel.**

~Justin Farr



Posing for the camera,
sophomores **Mia Theroux** and **John
Roche** represented their class for the
Winterfest court. *Photo by Leah Maier*





Cheering on the team, Chris Johnson and Kyle Waters dance to the sound of Michael Jackson while Eastern's cheerleader's performed a dance. Attending basketball games was a popular winter activity.
Photo by Leah Maier

Winter is looking worse and worse as it slowly drags by. A whole entire winter with out one single snow day. But students haven't given up hope yet, "Every time it snows I'm like 'Yay, snow day!' And then, no, it doesn't come," says sophomore Dani Dimmitt. Many students feel this way, as they find their way to school.

However, the lack of snow days didn't leave students without anything to do. There were many school activities to go to, including basketball games, Winterfest, gymnastic meets, and hockey games. But you can't forget spirit week! A big highlight of winter was the Winterfest dance. Sophomore Mia Theroux

Beating the Winter Blues

by Jessica Keener

was thrilled when she found out she had made court. "It was a really fun experience, everyone was there supporting me, and cheering me on, it was an honor to be able to represent the class of 2005." During the week of Winterfest junior Justin Farr created his own day, "I didn't like the eighties day so I changed my day to gas station attendant day."

While others are complaining about the snow, others are happy and having fun. "Winter is my favorite time of year, I could never imagine myself living somewhere warm like Florida because I would miss the snow too much!" said sophomore Nicole Herriman.



Stopping to take a quick picture, seniors **Kristene Levondosky** and **Tessa Williamson** served as court representatives.
Photo by Leah Maier

Junior Justin Farr throws in his own twist of school spirit when he dresses up as a gas station attendant for spirit week.
Photo by Kelly Briggs

D A Glow In The Dark

by leah maier

How could this week get any better? No school on Monday, starting with a clean palette, all new classes, and... don't forget... it's Winterfest week. The one light in the middle of winter where the school gets to have a lil' bit of fun. This year's spirit days consisted of Tacky Tuesday, College Day, PJ Day, and Old School Hip Hop/ 80's Day. "I thought that spirit week was a lot of fun. My personal favorite was 80's Hip Hop Day, because of MC Hammer," said junior Alex Mishler.

The Winterfest Court was able to walk right before the varsity basketball game on Friday, January 24. "I had a lot of fun walking in front of everyone! It was a great experience to represent your class," said sophomore Mia Theroux. There was a great turnout of students and parents at the game. Sophomore John Roche agreed with Mia, saying, "My favorite part was walking across the gym in front of all the fans."

The game Friday night was a good one. We played East Lansing, one of our biggest rivals. We were losing by just three points at halftime but during the second half we got back into the game and won by two points. The final score was 55-53, thanks to Jeremy Taylor and Andy Clark who were the top scorers for the night.

The dance Saturday night, January 25, was full of excitement for many people. Students sat at the tables playing cards and talking, and danced inside the cafeteria of Washington Woods, where the dance was held. "I liked it, but I was surprised when I found out that I had been nominated. I liked the people that were there and I really like hanging out with Cole and Joe. I didn't dance though, because fat guys don't dance!" said senior Adam Barr.

Winterfest is a time for making lots of memories. Senior Kristine Levondosky said, "It will be one of my favorite memories from high school and I felt honored to represent my class. I think that everyone on court deserved to be on it, and everyone looked really nice."

The senior couples this year consisted of Tessa Williamson and Adam Barr, Paula Hicks and Josh Roznowski, Sarah Appold and Cole Malatinsky, and Kristine Levondosky and Joe Becsey.

Photo by Leah Maier



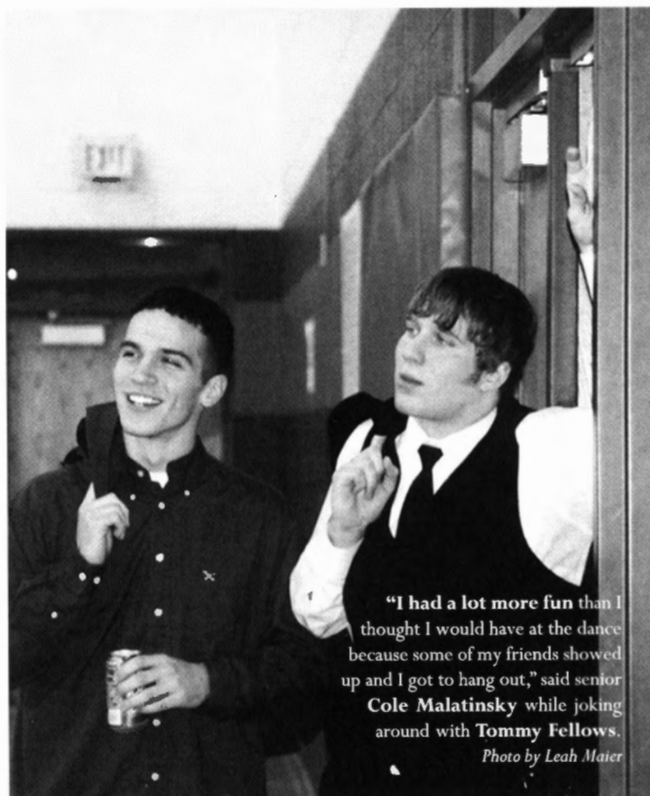
"I'm not much of a dancer, so I thought I'd lay low in the back corner for most of the night. I actually ended up having fun because my friends and I went crazy on the dance floor," said senior Joe Becsey of the dance.

Photo by Leah Maier



"I had a lot more fun than I thought I would have at the dance because some of my friends showed up and I got to hang out," said senior Cole Malatinsky while joking around with Tommy Fellows.

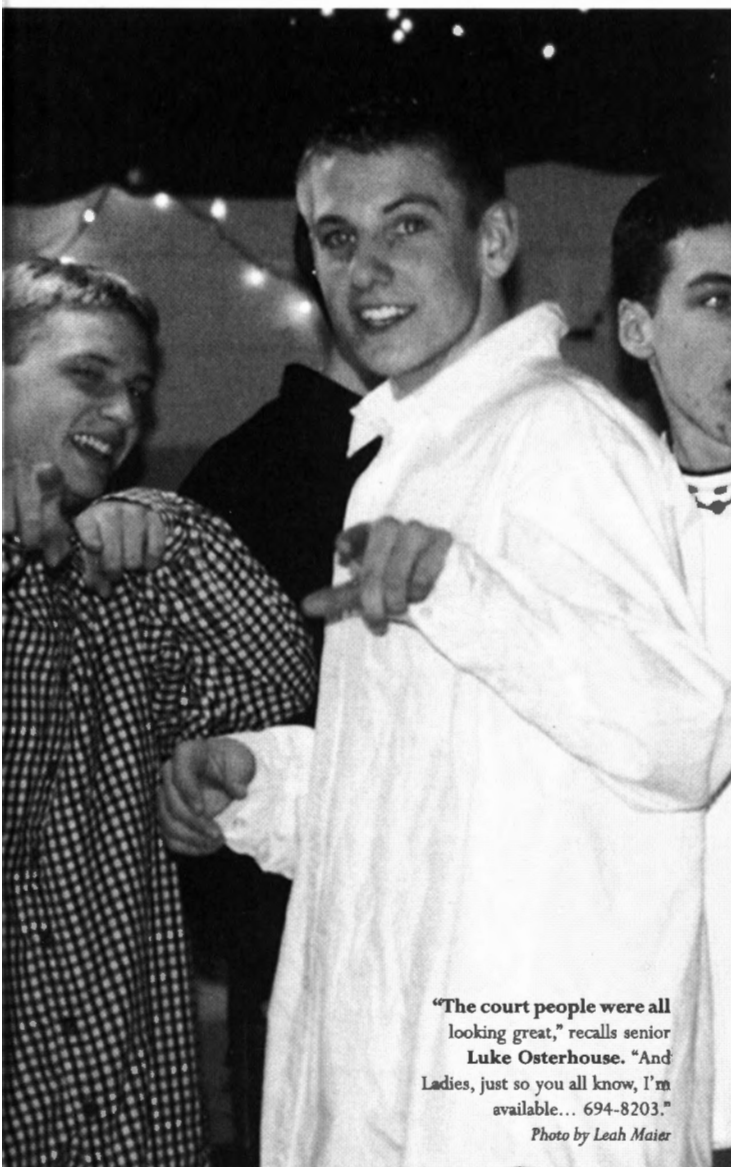
Photo by Leah Maier



perspectives from the courtside



It was fun to see the mixture of people that we had on court compared to the past. It was really diverse and cool.
~Josh Roznowski



"The court people were all looking great," recalls senior Luke Osterhouse. "And Ladies, just so you all know, I'm available... 694-8203."

Photo by Leah Maier



"I had a great time, and I was glad that there was a great turnout. The dance was also a lot of fun."

~Tessa Williamson



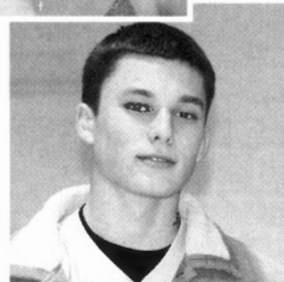
"It was a lot of fun. I was really surprised about being chosen. The basketball game had a really good turnout. I'd also like to say thanks to all the people who supported us at the dance."

~Jason Thomas



"I felt good about being chosen. It's nice to know that people in your grade like you like that. It was an honor."

~Erika Neumann



"I had a great time, and the basketball team had a good game. It was an all around good thing."

~Mikhail Eisler

When the weather starts to turn chilly senior best friends Emily Wise & Ashley Loveall can get...

Kinda Crazy

In the cooler months, some may find it hard think of things to do, but Emily Wise and Ashley Loveall have no trouble at all. Part of what makes it so easy for them to find things to do is their lack of shame. "Who really cares what other people think as long as you are having fun and not hurting anyone," explained senior Emily Wise.

They have shared many crazy times together and know that those times will continue even though they are attending different colleges. The two plan on purchasing digital cameras or possibly web cams so that they can share their outrageous adventures with one another. Their adventures apart will probably not be nearly as crazy since the two feed off each other's energy and use each other as scapegoats for their stupidity.

If you ask them what makes them tick, they would say sugar and fresh air makes them giddy. "One time my mother banned me from eating pixie sticks so I hid them in my toothpaste drawer and would eat them. My plan worked well until one day I forgot to flush the wrappers down the toilet. My mom thought that it was too funny, so I wasn't punished," reminisced Ashley.

Pumpkin Club

The idea for the Pumpkin Club originated when we were looking around TJ Maxx at the cookbooks and I found a whole cookbook devoted to pumpkin recipes. Well, being that the thought of such a thing made me laugh and we both love pumpkin stuff, I had no choice but to buy it.

So then we decided that every weekend in the month of October and a couple weekends into November we would get together and make one or two recipes from the book. We asked Danielle Burt and a few other friends to join our 'club' (yes, we are already aware that two people isn't really a club but that is what we call it because we think we are cool). But Danielle had tennis and the others just thought we were stupid, so they declined to join...and it was their loss, I would like to add.

So we went to Meijer's and bought the ingredients. I think one of the funniest things I've ever done was trying to hack the pumpkin in half with my blunt knives and then peeling it, all while watching Emily trying to fend my dog away so he wouldn't eat her pumpkin.

~Ashley Loveall



The Pumpkin Club inspired Emily and Ashley to be pumpkins for Halloween. They made their own costumes out of felt and huge orange sweatshirts. Junior Brooke Viele also went with them trick or treating. Photo by Nancy Loveall

Fondue Club

Fondue club all started when Target had these great Fondue pots on sale. I recieved one from Ashley for Christmas and she bought one for herself. So we decided that we would charge the world of Fondue head on. So we started off by getting our hands on a retro 70's fondue cookbook. We found the one that Ashley's mom remembered from the good old days. We didn't waste time. Her mother got all the ingredients for us. It worked out from the start that Ashley mixed everything and cut the bread in to strategic sizes. I was the all-time cheese grater, which has its perks: you get to eat cheese while no one is looking. Heh.

So the first time it was a kind of crazy. We were nervous it would burn, we needed to add more wine, and I burnt my mouth on a hunk of steaming cheese. It ended well though, and we started to meet every weekend to fondue. It is always a great time, and Ashley is a very good mixer.

~Emily Wise



Reaping the benefits of their labor (cheese grating and bread cutting) Emily and Ashley gorge themselves on the cheesy goodness that is know as fondue.
Photo by Brian Edwards

In between club meetings, Emily & Ashley recommend these things for...

Winter Fun

(all tested and approved by Ashley & Emily)

- *Jump into half frozen lakes in February.
- *Snow ball fights with a group of good friends.
- *Sled a half-mile down a dirt road hill two people per sled.
- *Snowshoe on lake while dog walks on back of snowshoes.
- *Watch Superstar and recite the lines.
- *Snowcones: Take a snowball, make a concave circle in center, then add peach soda.
- *Make a fun new club.
- *Dress in crazy clothes and walk a dog through a small town during the middle of winter.
- *Put a layer of green frosting on rear window of friend's car. Then precede to make animal cracker nature scenes.
- *Form a new language while suffering from cabin fever
- *Get in Emily's unclosed pool and drink hot cocoa.
- *Take pictures with automatic timer camera. We suggest setting the camera on the car while you are riding a cement swan.
- *Make up new crazy dances ("That's all Ashley!"-Emily).
- *Use play make up to turn your face into a mask of horror.



Yes, they went outside and walked around the neighborhood looking like this. "It is one of my favorite pictures of us and everytime I look at it I laugh," commented Loveall. Photo by Nancy Loveall

Extreme Expenses

Although a great thrill, snowboarding can be an expensive sport...



Coat

Average: \$250

Gloves

Average: \$25

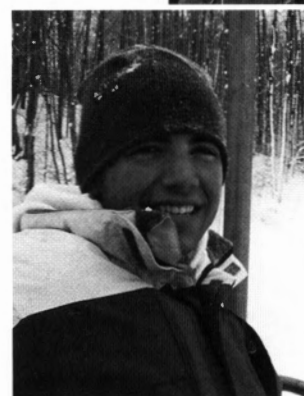


Goggles

Average: \$45

Boards

Average: \$350



Excited to be in the mix of things, senior Kyle Hein awaits his run. Photo by Paul O'Berry

Extreme winter sports people have no fear of the dangers in snowboarding.

Senior Kyle Hein glides down the hill with great speed. Photo by Paul O'Berry



Riding up the hill,
senior **Paul O'Berry**
contemplates what
moves he will make
on his next run.
Photo by Kyle Hein

**Flying through
the air** hoping to
make a perfect
landing is senior
Derrick Piper.
Photo by Peter Piper

**Performing the
method with grace** is
senior **Derrick
Piper.** *Photo by
Peter Piper*



Have you ever felt the stinging frost-bit sensation of when your face is slammed into a pile of cold, wet snow?

Snowboarders experience this at least once every time they go out boarding. Snowboarders need to be very skillful and know a lot of techniques to have a good run and not to fall on their face.

This sport isn't very common among the students at Holt, but it is well known around the world. Only a select few students at Holt engage in this adrenaline pumping sport. Most students only hear about it though.

A lot of students don't have access to equipment or the slopes that are essential to a snowboarder. Boards can vary greatly in price and to find a mountain in Michigan is difficult enough!

The worst part of snowboarding this winter was the lack of snow. It's hard to perform a sport, like snowboarding, when there isn't any snow. Snowboarders this year have been disappointed. "I haven't been able to go as much as I'd like to because of the snow problem. When I do get the chance, I have a lot of fun with my friends when we go up North," said senior Derrick Piper. When snowboarders do find the time they have to go way up north to discover the perfect spot that has enough snow. Not many students take the chance to try something new, but snowboarding is definately a sport to consider.

Taking It To The

EXTREME

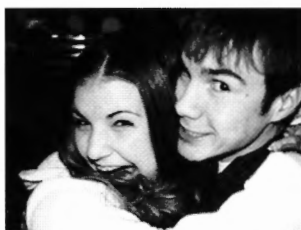
On The Slopes

by Tandee Ireland & Jessica DeRosa

Date 1

Racquel & Ben

Ben and Racquel started their date with a big hug. "I was relieved to know it was Ben that I would be going on the date with," says Racquel. Photo by David Dionise



7:05pm

First they started the date with drinks while waiting for their food to arrive, also gossiping about their friends at school. Photo by David Dionise



8:15pm

The date was almost over, and as Ben and Racquel finished their meals, they discussed continuing the date with a movie, but decided the roads were too bad and so settled for desert instead. Photo by David Dionise



9:00pm

Date 2

Caitlin & Luke

After ordering their food and getting their drinks Luke and Caitlin started a good conversation. Photo by Leah Maier



6:15pm

While they waited for their food Caitlin continued listening in deep thought to a story that her date was explaining in detail. Photo by Leah Maier



7:10pm

After the date was over Luke played the gentlemen role by walking Caitlin to her car to conclude the night. Photo by Leah Maier



7:55pm

Who:

Racquel Ankney & Ben Keeler

What:

Luke Osterhouse & Caitlin Rogell

Where:

Blind Date

When:

Applebees

Why:

February 22 and 23

"Because it's the only way I can get a date!"

~ Luke Osterhouse

We Asked So, how did the date go?

Racquel:

"I had a blast and I am so glad I got to go. It was a great time. I was so nervous at first, but then when I saw it was Ben, I got really excited. I think we talked about everything, it was just really good conversation."

Ben:

"The date was really fun. Racquel and I knew each other before, but it was cool that we got to talk so long and get to know each other so much better. She is a cool girl."

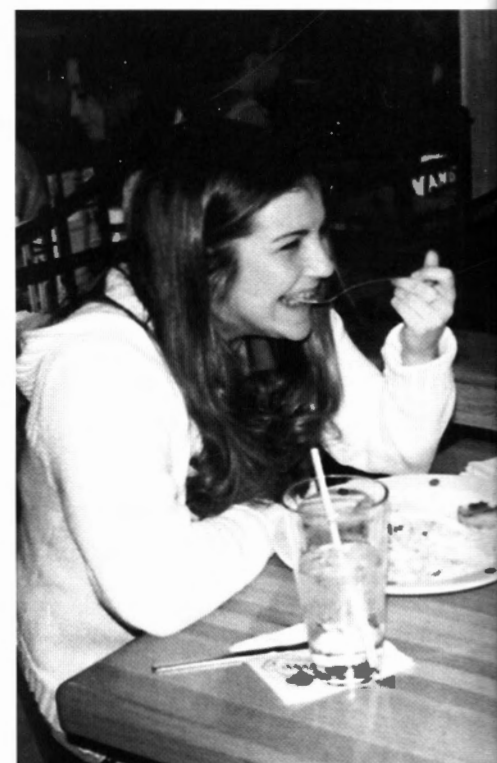
Luke:

"It was a lot of fun and I'm glad I went, but I knew it would be fun. I actually had an idea it was going to be Caitlin, but I wasn't really sure who it would be. We had some deep conversation."

Caitlin:

"I had a really good time! It was nice to be able to talk to someone that I normally wouldn't really talk to and get to know Luke a lot better than I probably ever would."

by david dionise and keri kosloski



There's a reason why they call it *blind*...



Survey Says Worst places to take a date

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|------------------------|-----|
| 1. Deja Vu | 20% |
| 2. Fast Food | 17% |
| 3. Comic book store | 15% |
| 4. Justin Farr's house | 12% |
| 5. Museum | 10% |
| 6. White Castle | 8% |
| 7. Reptile house | 5% |
| 8. Chucky Cheese | 3% |
| 9. Monster truck show | 2% |
| 10. Buffet | 1% |

The date had finally come to an end, and to finish it up Caitlin and Luke posed for one last picture on the bench outside Applebees. "I thought it was a lot of fun and I just had a good time."

Photo by Leah Maier

Giggling over her meal, Racquel smiles at Ben as the two of them enjoy the good food and the good company. Photo by David Dionise



Teachers Share Their best & worst dating stories



"I had this girl over at my house one evening so we could watch the lunar eclipse together. Well, my brother's ex-girlfriend called and I ended up talking to her on the phone for a long time. When I got off my date had left and we didn't speak again."

~Dave Hildebrandt



"This guy had taken me to an Italian resaurant. I ordered the cheapest meal on the menu, that way I wouldn't be an expensive date. Later on the waitress asked if I wanted something else to drink, so I ordered red wine and in front of our waitress my date said he didn't have enough money for that and then he paid for the meal with a coupon. That was our first date and our last!"

~Patti Pisano



"My first date with my now wife was at Denny's, and we graded papers. I didn't know it was a date, but she did. She even was the one who asked me out on our so called date."

~Craig Huhn



My husband and I met rowing on a river, so for our first date he took me to a river to have a picnic. However it was in the middle of winter and it was cold! He brought along homemade chicken noodle soup made with homemade noodles and homemade bread and when we went to eat we realised we had no silverware! But we made the best of it and anyway and drank the soup. Now every once in a while he makes me homemade soup, only with silverware!"

~Lisa Weise

Expert Advice Pick up lines that you can try...

1. Hey, Cupid called, and he said he wants his heart back.
2. Are you tired? Because you have been running through my mind all day!
3. Did it hurt when you fell from heaven?
4. Would you hold it against me if I said you had a nice body?

A Work of Art

by David Dionise

The band played, the painters painted, the singers sang, and the spectators spectated, all in one place: the art festival. Everyone had a good time, either expressing themselves or seeing the way that others choose to. The main point of the festival is to show off student work, but there are also interactive activities, like face painting and the opportunity to try different art techniques. "I was kind of sick and was only there for a little bit, but it was fun to show off my art," said senior Sarah Darley.

Even for students who didn't go to the art festival, it was fun for them to see the halls decorated for so long and get their own interpretation of other people's art. Some of it involved portraits, some of it was abstract; some of it painted, and some of it molded. It drew crowds to figure out what they thought was going on in the picture.

"I didn't do any of the art myself, but it was cool to see some of the art that my friends and fellow students did," said senior **Kelly Briggs**. Photo by Jenny Christensen

Junior Jamie Morrow shows off her art skill at the annual Art Festival. She constructed a body out of clay and was working on the limbs. Photo by Jenny Christensen

Even the children that came to the Art Festival found ways to have fun and get into it. They found it quite interesting to see what many of their older siblings, or just other high schoolers had done. Photo by Jenny Christensen





Work in progress



I got to make clay figures the whole time and it was cool because people would walk by and really appreciate my work. I got to help kids with it too.

~Brandon Johnson



"I got to play contrabass which is fun, but I'd rather be a percussionist."

~Chris Plunkett



"It was a lot of fun and had a really good turnout."

~Kristen Howley



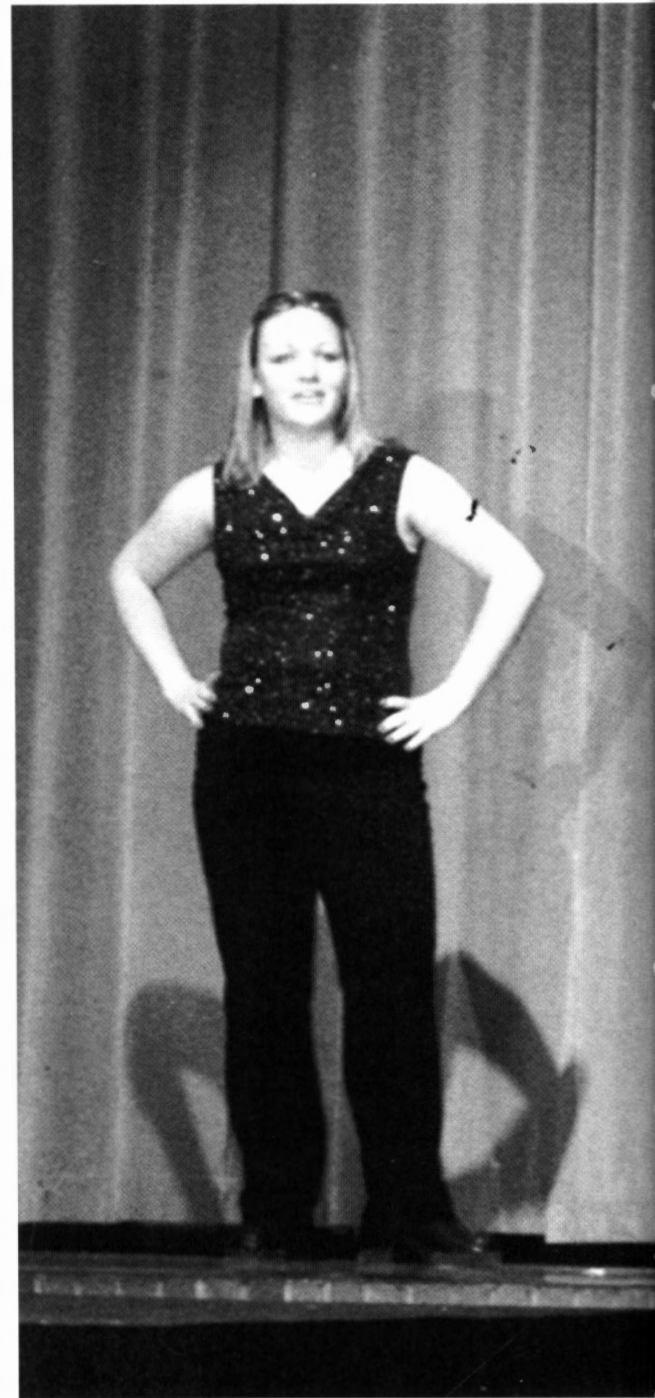
"It's cool to see what all the elementary school kids got to make."

~Serina Mazzoni

Showing her skills with more than just paper, senior **Heather Shaft** paints pictures on a child's face to keep kids entertained during the fair. *Photo by Jenny Christensen*



Participating in choir since the eighth grade and performing here at Caberet is sophomore **Nicole Drolett**.
Photo by Jenny Christensen



Together performing a skit called "My New Philosophy" in the talent show and at the Caberet are senior **Holly Nelson** and junior **Carly Skubick**.
Photo by Jenny Christensen

Sing Sing

by Katie Ross

We all have to admit that we sing in the shower or in our cars on a daily basis, and whether or not we have the extra courage to stand up in front of an auditorium full of family and friends doesn't make us better at singing. The students who choose to participate in choir *do* have a head start, however, because of all the time and effort it takes them to put together a performance.

The good that comes from performing, though, is what urges them continue. For example, the choirs participate in singing for retirement centers, hospitals, churches, the Albion College Invitational during the fall, the annual Holt Community Christmas Tree Lighting, Christmas caroling, and basically "wherever anybody calls us to go," admitted Holt High School choir director Monty Bishop. Bishop and his students enjoy singing for the elderly, as well as the smaller crowd. They also participate in activities such as District Festival in which the Chorale and Cantique choirs made first in the division ranking and will continue on to States. As for the Concert choir, they proudly made second in the division ranking.

These students work hard for their recognition and admit they put in much commitment. Students are staying after school all the time. "Almost everyday we have kids practicing songs," Monty Bishop said. "The really cool thing about choir is that a student can have other learning challenges for example reading and then come into class here and become a really good singer and that becomes their 'claim to fame' in high school," Bishop shared.

What is your favorite song?

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|-------------------------|-----|
| Santa Baby: | 8% |
| Da Nobis: | 48% |
| I Will Be Earth: | 9% |
| Fa Una Consona: | 21% |
| Laughing Song: | 2% |
| Ave Maria: | 11% |

Only the second student in the history of Holt High School, senior **Krista Bollert** was accepted to participate in the Michigan School Vocal Music Association.
Photo by Jenny Christensen



Giving her all at this year's Cabaret, senior **Megan Clark** performs her favorite country song.
Photo by Jenny Christensen

Oops!

What are your most embarrassing moments while singing on stage in a concert or at Festival?



I was the first one walking on stage at Festival and I tripped! Everybody laughed and I just kept on walking.
~ Cady Coolidge



When everyone stepped down the stands, I forgot to step down!
~ Jacqueline McKim



kicking off a new intramural sport

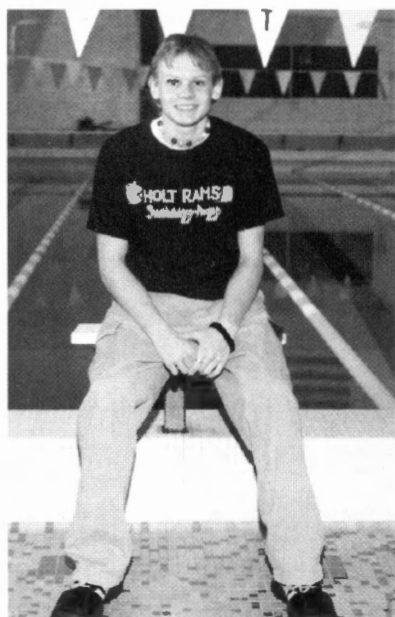
How did intramural soccer come about? It only seems right that if there is an IM basketball league, then there should be an IM soccer league. Senior Chad

Smith, who was also the varsity soccer goalie, put the idea into Athletic Director Rick Schmidt's head. The idea formulated into a season of co-ed soccer. Rules were set, teams were made, and fun was had. In the beginning of the season, the weather got the best of everyone and people had a lack of interest in playing, but as the weather got better people couldn't think of any better way to spend their Tuesday afternoon than playing a fun and high-spirited game of soccer. There was no fee to play the sport, although if the league continues next year that may change. IM soccer was "just a bunch of different people bringing back the true meaning of any sport: to have fun," said Chad Smith.

Brother of the founder of IM Soccer: senior Chad Smith, sophomore Chris Smith participated in the newly formed league throughout the spring.
Photo by Shawn Jackson



Co-ed IM Soccer starts a new tradition



What is your favorite part about playing & Intramural Basketball?

"My favorite part about playing is havin' a good time. Trying to dunk and making my team mad."

~ **senior Ryan Meredith**

"I would say just being able to go out and have fun playin' basketball but on the same side get a little competitive."

~ **junior Chris Dowling**

"I like being able to play even though I'm not very good at the game. It's not like playing for Holt where if you mess up you look bad in front of a huge crowd. You get the competition without the nervous part."

~ **sophomore Kenny Cox**

| Team Name | Record |
|----------------------|--------|
| Panthers | 9-1 |
| Priority Male | 8-2 |
| N.O.Y.C | 7-3 |
| Holt Central | 7-3 |
| Herd of Krazy Yaks | 6-4 |
| Canadian Bacon | 5-5 |
| Braggin' Rights | 5-5 |
| Dirty Pilgrims | 2-8 |
| Game Time | 1-9 |
| Disturbing the Peace | 1-9 |



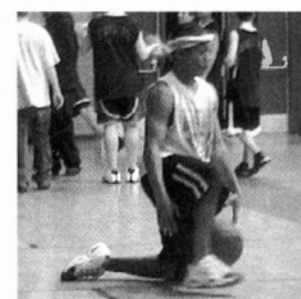
Showing some huge air, Game Time's **Josh Burt** goes in for the layup, while Disturbing the Peace's **Alex Earhart** jumps to block Burt's layup. The two last place teams duked it out and Game Time came out on top. Disturbing the Peace has had a rough season, but they hope to make a comeback. *Photo by Ben Berry*



Tired after a rough game is Priority Male's **Ryan Meredith**. Priority Male is among the top three teams. *Photo by Ben Berry*



Senior varsity basketball player **Luke Osterhouse** concentrates on a tough call. In many games there are so many fouls the refs don't know which ones to call. *Photo by Ben Berry*



Showing snazzy moves is all part of the show, for **Eric Day**. Many intramural players have more skills than one may think. *Photo by Ben Berry*

Playing against Holt Central's team, **Mike Baker** will try his best to see that **Tom Large** goes nowhere with the ball. *Photo by Ben Berry*



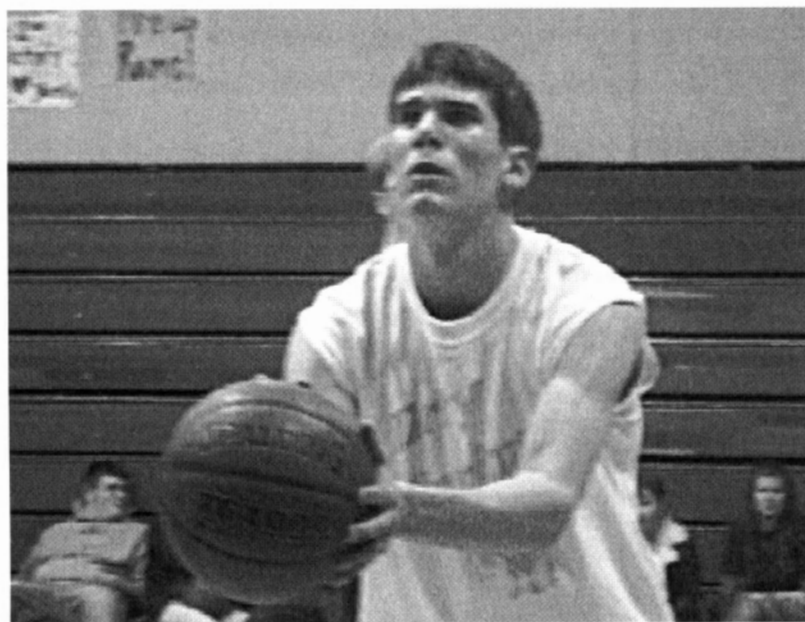
Many basketball players and fans enjoy going to the Intramural Basketball games. "I like to see my friends play, also it's a cheap and fun way to see people," said fan Tiffany Wright who attended many Intramural games.

There are ten teams in this year's league. They played twelve regular season games and play a tournament to see who will get to play in the all-star game. Lots of players and fans look forward to the three point shootout and slam dunk contest at the end of the season. Players want to find out which individuals have the most skills.

There are a lot of talented basketball players who just cannot take the heavy competition and dedication that playing on a JV or varsity squad requires. They are not interested in basketball enough to make the serious commitment. But they love to play the game, so Intramural is the key. Intramural basketball players can show their skills and just have fun without worrying.

"I like winning, but I like basketball more," said Alex Erhardt, player for Disturbing the Peace. "Our record isn't great, but who cares; we're having a good time!"

Teams ranked high in the league may have a slightly different attitude. The Panthers, Priority Male, N.O.Y.C., and Holt Central are all looking to be the All-Stars.



Concentrating on the perfect shot is junior Alex Mishler. The referees haven't been as lenient on calling fouls this year, so it's very vital to be able to shoot a good free throw.

Photo by Ben Berry

by ben berry

The Moves

It was only a seed of a thought that grew into a big accomplishment. High hopes for change and a final acceptance for everyone was the primary focus of several students who didn't want to be categorized or judged based on their race, gender, sexuality, or religion, but just being accepted as a human being. Many people didn't think the Human Rights Campaign would go this far, but they did.

The Human Rights Campaign involves both teachers and students to come together and find ways to not only accept, but respect one another. "We noticed the tension between the Multicultural Club and the Minority Student Union, so myself and several others wanted to form a club that everyone could join and united in," explains senior Josh Roznowski. Sophomore Katie Hamlinn adds on, "I decided to join this particular club because I feel there's a lot of injustice that goes on in the school system, especially in Holt involving different races and sexual orientation. I want to do my best to try and change that, so the school can be a safer environment for everybody."

The Human Rights Campaign doesn't meet during Activity Period because the club was formed during the year, and they didn't want students to decide which club they wanted to be in. So, they meet every other Tuesday after school in Phil Booth's classroom, along with sponsors, Staci Almeida and Kim Reichard.

Recently, the newly developed club won a Prism Award of Recognition by the L.G.B.T.A. (Lesbian, Gay, Bi-Sexual, Transgendered Alliance) for starting a gay/straight movement in Holt for the first time. "The Human Rights Club is one of my favorite clubs! They're doing so much and I'm proud of them," congratulates English teacher Christine Beno.

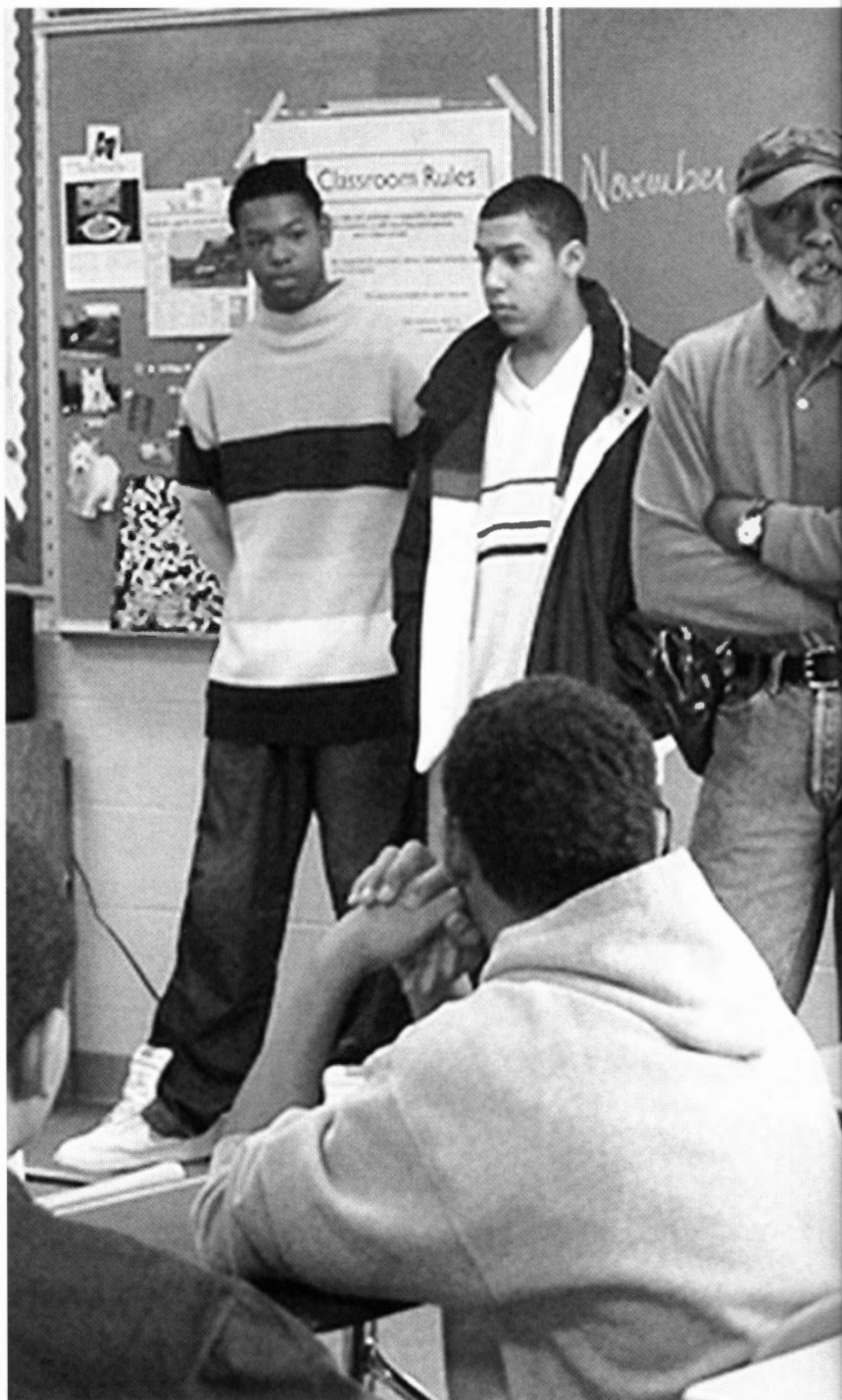
Although just beginning, the club has a lot of ideas in the process. They have just made a proposal to the staff on presenting a film on bullying called, "Bang! Bang! You're Dead." Also, school wide assemblies on stopping racism, bullying and sexism are being discussed in the process.

The Human Rights Club are ready and willing to tackle whatever comes into play. Their goals and visions are something to look forward to and they have plenty of support from those in school and those who are about to be out of school. "Even though I'm graduating, I plan on coming back and still helping out with the club no matter what," explains Roznowski.

it's only the...

beginning

by gia parker



Giving a few pointers is guest speaker Henry Reed, a former MSU professor who came in to discuss how to get the Minority Student Union going and he explained what it was like growing up as an African American.

Photo by Ramparts

hables, parle, sprechen...

Modern Language clubs celebrate other cultures and languages



"Our purpose is to give awareness of the Spanish culture. We have a lot of activities being planned like the Spanish trip to Toronto in April, and hopefully we can get some Spanish dancers to come in and perform for us."

~ Senior Ariel Rhodes



"We eat a lot and do art projects that nobody finishes. It's fun!"

~ Senior Serena Bearman



"The real reason why I joined German Club in my sophomore year is because I wanted a chance to be part of the German exchange in the summer. It gave me an opportunity to travel and I had lots of fun doing it."

~Senior Jennifer Cooke



"We always eat in French club, that's why we pay our dues and we always have art projects like tissue paper flowers and we made little poodles out of yarn and they were really cute."

~Senior Kim Hudler

Celebrate! The members of Multicultural Club celebrated Chinese New Year with living costumes and decorative dragons as part of the Chinese culture.
Photo by Gia Parker



In deep thought, the members on the Minority Student Union listen in on the discussion brought by the guest speaker. "It was really interesting what he had to say," said junior Mike Baker.

Photo by Ramparts



What's the point?

What is really the difference between the Minority Student Union and the Multicultural Club? Both seem to have the same purpose, goals, and what to perform the same activities, right? So, what's why is there a need for another club?

Vice President of the Minority Student Union, senior Brad Fields explained, "There are a lot of differences between the Minority Student Union and the Multicultural Club while at the same time we have a lot of similarities." Both of the clubs are trying to bring diversity and understanding for culture in the school system. They aren't totally against each other, they just realized that their goals are still the same, just how to do it is different as Fields describes, "We both want the same thing as far as racial tolerance and equality, we just have separate avenues to achieve this."

Others still won't let this conflict distract them on their primary focus like Multicultural Club member, senior Charyl Kirkland stated, "Now that I see how the Human Rights Club is doing I want to follow their lead and promote diversity for everyone in a positive way."

The Multicultural Club are planning a student exchange with another Lansing school and also an upcoming spring dance. They recently celebrated "Chinese New Year." The Minority Student Union have recently had a guest speaker come in to talk with the group and their also in the process of creating a hair and fashion show.

Hopefully students will come to the realization and join together not just as one club, but as each individual of the club having the same goals and purpose to make a difference in Holt, as well as each other.

the saga continues...

**Do you
feel
there's
still racial
tension in
the
school?**

YES

64%

NO

36%

Practice Makes Excellence

by shawn jackson

From frisbee tossing, picture sketching, and beam walking to writing novels, running cross-country, and even being a mathematician. Talent comes in many forms. To be extremely talented it seems like practice makes perfect and that making mistakes help people to learn and become better.

Sophomore Lisa Jones has been drawing ever since she could pick up a pencil. She might have had some pictures she didn't like, but giving up on art was the last thing on her mind. "It's how I see the world," said Jones.

Some people can pick up a talent in an instant. Senior Phil Vosburgh learns rhythms as he comes up with beats on his piano. He taught himself how to play and learns something new every time he lays his fingers down on the keys.

Everyone has a talent, but there are also many people who take them to the extreme. Hard work and dedication are the key ingredients in a talented individual.

Without those ingredients finding talent would be a bit harder than the norm.

Chances to showcase your creative talents

Talent Show
Battle of the Bands
G.U.B.A.
Poets and Lyricists Unit
Hello Dolly
*The Lion, the Witch, & the
Wardrobe*
Highlight videos
Baccalaureate

Phil Vosburgh

Piano

How did you get into piano?

I taught myself how to play



What are your usual song lengths?

Four minutes to a half hour

How much music do you have written?

Enough for four albums

How long have you been playing piano?

3 Years

If you were a superhero, what talents would you most want to have?

"The ability to grade papers at the speed of light."

~**Amy Clark**, English teacher

"I want to fly because then I can go anywhere I want."

~**Margaret Goodman**, student services teacher

"I'd want to be invisible so I could get away with things."

~**Andrea Pass**, junior

Lisa Jones

Drawing

Who is your drawing inspiration?

**My Grandpa.
He was really good.**



What is drawing to you?

It's how I see the world.

What do you like to draw the most?

The human body

What do you prefer, pencil or pen?

Pencils are better because you can erase your mistakes.

Mike Baker

Freestyle Rap

Who are your musical inspirations?

Tupac, Notorious BIG

What does it take to freestyle?

Quick thinking

What is roasting?

Degrading someone mentally, not physically

What is freestyling to you?

Freestylin' is speakin' what happens, speakin' knowledge.





making a splash

by Jennifer Cooke

IN THE WATER



After one of his races at CAC's, junior swimmer Bryan Johnson looks up at his scores. "I did pretty well, even though I didn't have a good Friday swim I made up for it on Saturday." Photos by Okemos Studio

What time do most high schoolers get up in the morning? Usually between 6:00 and 6:30, right? Just enough time to get ready and get to school before the bell rings. But what about the ones that are here before the custodians unlock the doors for the day. The ones who spend most of their time in the water then they do on the ground. The average swimmer during the season is up at 4:45 to make it to practice by 5:15. Practice lasts until 6:30, before it's time to get ready for school. After school is completed, they are back in the pool by 3:00 for two more hours of practice before they can go home and do their homework and other things they have to do. This is their routine during the middle of the season for four days a week. During the summer, they swim with clubs to keep in shape.

With so much swimming going on, the team is around each other most of the time, and that might seem hard for some, but not for the guys. "The team is so laid back and its not a clique at all; we get along great, and when we do things, we always include everyone," stated senior Aaron Robinson.

Being the minority on the team (she's the only girl), junior Kelly Robinson fits in perfectly. "Because I ran cross country in the fall, I couldn't swim with the girls team, but luckily I was able to swim this season. "I am fitting in perfectly: I don't get treated differently. I like the laid-back attitude on the team. Since most of them I already knew I fit in so perfectly," Robinson added.

The swimmers won CACs this year, not an uncommon feat for them. The reason they did so well this season is because they didn't stop swimming when school stopped, instead they kept on going through they summer and that is what built them up more and more until they became they best they could be. Coach Brent Pohlonski is so proud of his guys and girl: "I love them guys lots; they are awesome," he said. "I'm lucky to be their coach."

1 Waiting for his turn to compete, senior Aaron Robinson waits on the side.

2 After taking second in the 100 back stroke at CACs, junior Mike Redding rests at the edge of the pool. "It was exciting to win CACs this year again."

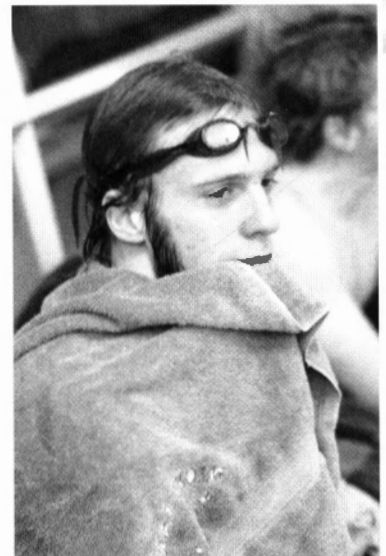
3 Waiting for his event to start is sophomore Don Anderson. Anderson like many others was excited to place first at CACs.

4 Cooling down after her event, junior Kelly Robinson floats in the pool. Robinson placed fifth at the conference meet and took fourth in the relay.

Photos by Okemos Studio

- MENS swimming

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|----------------|------------|
| Marshall | 91-95 |
| Mason | 117-69 |
| Jackson | 107-75 |
| East Lansing | 107-78 |
| Everett | 145-39 |
| Grand Ledge | 130-55 |
| Eastern | 113.5-71.5 |
| Okemos | 89-97 |
| Waverly-LCC | 136-50 |
| Sexton | 74-27 |
| Waverly Relays | 2nd |
| E.G.R. Invite | 7th |
| Dewitt Invite | 4th |
| CACs | 1st |
| States | 15th |



Keeping warm after his race, junior Kevin Stowe watches the rest of his team race. "Swimming is like life, you have to work hard and it sucks." Photo by Okemos Studio



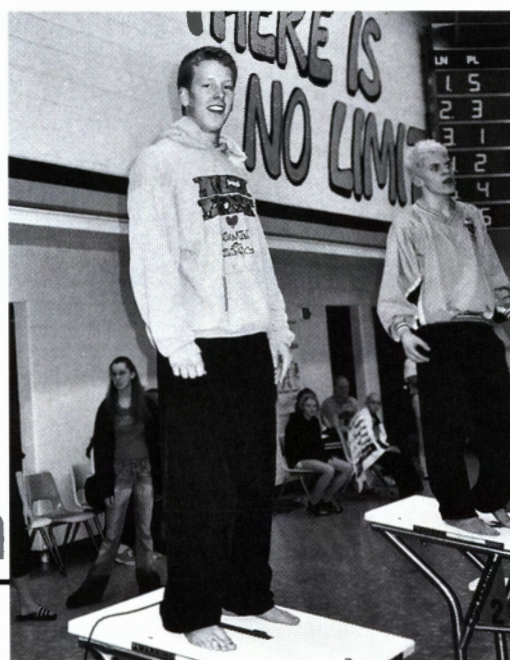
In between swimming at Sexton, coach **Brent Pohlonski** and junior **William Snodgrass** review events for the conference swim. "We went over certain events he thought he could score best in and predicted where he would place," coach Pohlonski states. *Photo by Okemos Studio*

Competing in the breaststroke, senior swimmer **Mike Stowe** glides down his lane at the Sexton meet. Stowe, who has been swimming for all four years of high school, finds it easier to do better when he thinks of every race as the most important one. *Photo by Okemos Studio*

With fun-loving competition in the pool, the **Templin** family is all about diving and it shows through



Performing a dive off the board 26 years ago, principal **Brian Templin** was a star on his Waverly High School team. His own son, Zack, broke his record this year. *Courtesy Photo*



Many families share a common love of hobbies. For principal **Brian Templin** and senior **Zack Templin**, that love is diving. Diving has been in the family for many years. It started with Brian Templin's high school swimming team, where he had a standing 6 & 11 dive record and it ended 26 years later where Zack placed a higher record for the same dive. "All my kids have always had a love for the water and Zack has the ability to dive and compete. I have always encouraged him to try," said Templin of his son. Both father and son have placed in states and have continued to dive through college. The diving difference between them, according to the older Templin, is that Zack has the experience and time to do harder dives and has scored higher.

Standing on the board after a diving meet is senior **Zack Templin**. Templin says that he has always been around the water which makes it easier for him to compete now. *Courtesy Photo*

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SPLASH

On team with
a mix of old
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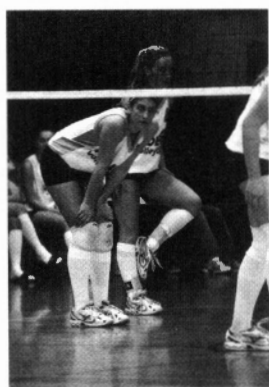


Good game: juniors Cassie Martin and Ali Hull, along with senior Sarah Appold, show the other team that they are good sports. "I'm going to miss the seniors, I've been playing and working with them since eighth grade; next year when they're gone it will be hard," said Hull.

Photo by Robi Bare.

leaders

AND LEARNING
by jennie andrews



Senior outside hitter Jessica Schouten and junior setter Cassie Martin wait for the game to get started. "As seniors, we want to keep the spirit up, and we try and focus on the whole team getting along," said Schouten.

Photo by Shawn Jackson.

After last year's record the volleyball players had a lot to prove, to the new coach, to the fans, to their parents, and most importantly to themselves. While the record, shows there has been improvement from the past year the players have learned that unity and friendship is one of the most important skills on the court. First year head coach Michelle Beerbower enjoys the friendship the girls share. "My favorite things about the team is that all the girls get along well, they have fun, and there are no huge egos on the team," said Beerbower.

Another factor that added to the success of this season was the skills found among the underclassmen on the team, "The underclassmen were major assests this year; our top point scorers were sophomores," said senior Jessica Schouten. The four seniors took it upon themselves to step up and set an example for the younger girls. "They [the seniors] give me someone to look up to, and they make me want to work harder," said junior setter Cassie Martin.

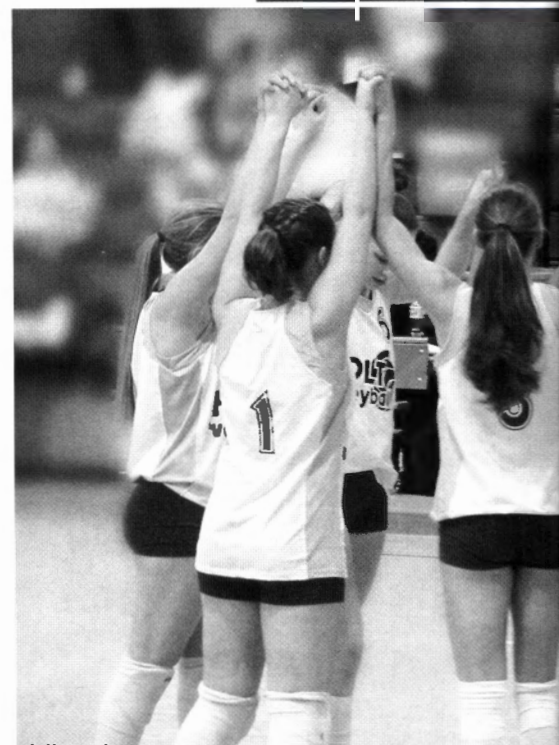
Most of the players planning to return are predicting better results next year, but with the new league starting, there are concerns about where the volleyball team will rank among new competition. "Next year, we will have some new talented players, but with the new league I don't know where we'll stand," said junior Ali Hull.

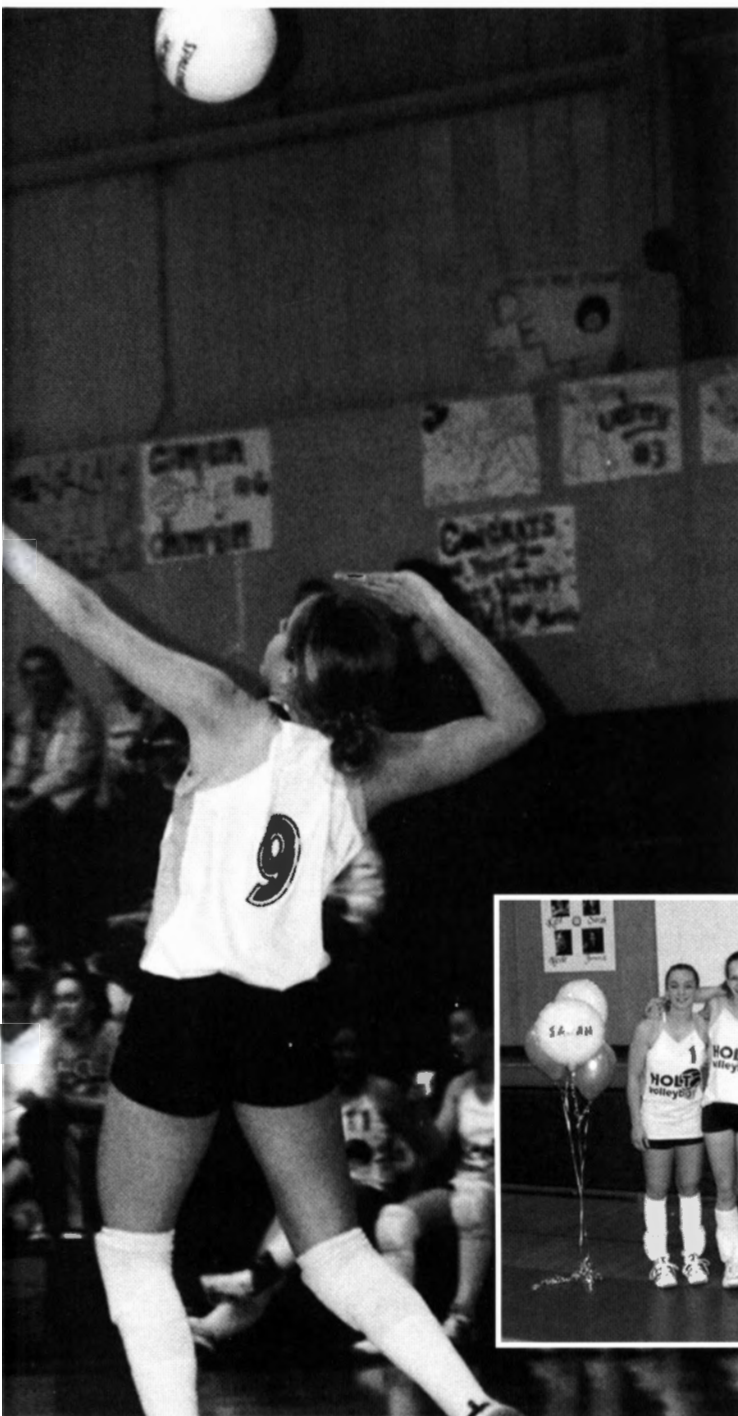
Serving the ball, junior outside hitter Liz Klauka prepares to serve an ace. "Next year I think we will show some improvement. We will be a force to reckon with," said Klauka.

Photo by Shawn Jackson

- VARSITY volleyball

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|--------------|-----|---|
| Mason | 0-2 | L |
| Jackson | 0-2 | L |
| Owosso | 0-2 | L |
| Sexton | 0-2 | L |
| Grand Ledge | 0-2 | L |
| Everett | 2-1 | W |
| Waverly | 1-2 | L |
| Eastern | 2-0 | W |
| East Lansing | 0-2 | L |
| Jackson | 0-2 | L |





Group huddle: the members of the team plan have a time out to plan out the next play. "We've learned a lot this year. We've gotten close, and we can anticipate each other next move," said sophomore middle hitter **Tara Dell**.

Photo by Shawn Jackson



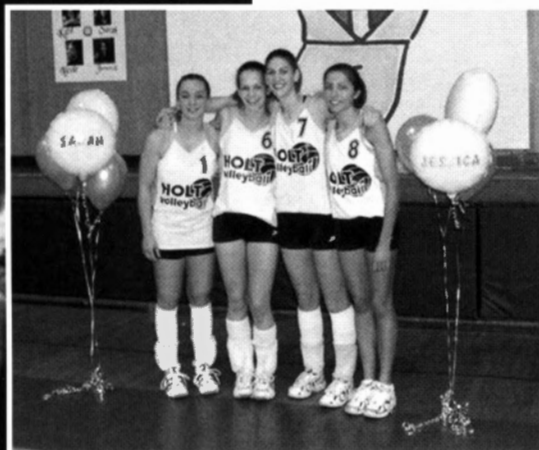
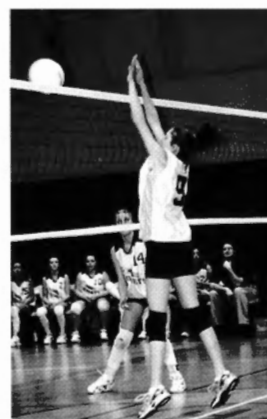
They've got the experience, they're having fun, and they're...

winning GAMES

Blocking a shot from the opposing team, is sophomore outside hitter **Kate Brewer**.

"We all work together well, and we have a lot of fun," said Brewer.

Photo by Shawn Jackson



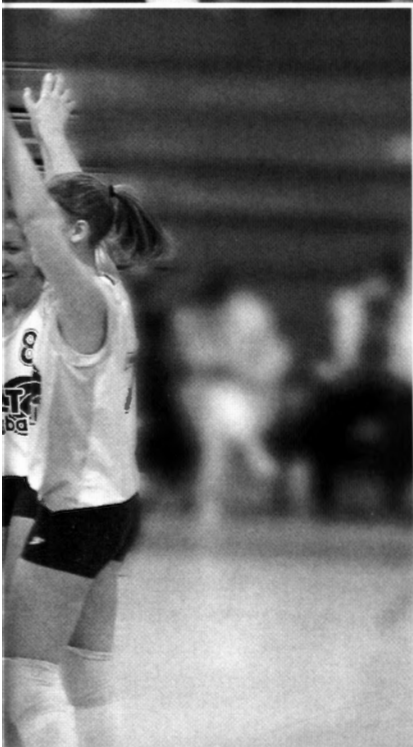
Senior Night: the four seniors on the team, **Katie Barens, Nicole Daggy, Sarah Appold, and Jessica Schouten**, take a break before their final home game starts. "Our role on the team is to be the leaders, when someone is having a bad game we have to step up and play harder," said Daggy.

Photo by Jessica Schouten.



Preparing to serve, sophomore setter **Jessica Merriott** calms her nerves. "We had a lot of chemistry, and worked well together. We won and lost games as a team," said Merriott.

Photo by Shawn Jackson



Pre-game cheer: the players get ready start their last home game of the season. "This year our biggest strength is that we are all friends; last year we didn't get along and you could see that on the court," said senior middle hitter **Nicole Daggy**.

Photo by Robi Bare

JV volleyball

| | | |
|--------------|-----|---|
| Mason | 2-1 | W |
| Jackson | 0-2 | L |
| Owosso | 2-0 | W |
| Sexton | 2-0 | W |
| Grand Ledge | 1-2 | L |
| Everett | 2-0 | W |
| Waverly | 2-1 | W |
| Eastern | 2-0 | W |
| East Lansing | 2-0 | W |

Taking a break from the action are many of the members of the team. "We need to learn to play together, there is too much individual playing," said junior forward **John Major**.

Photo by Jennie Andrews



**A season
spent
learning
how to...**

play

AS A TEAM

by jennie andrews



Entering the bench, junior defensive player **Brad Wieferich** gets off the ice to take a break from the game. "Next season should be a pretty good season, we are losing a few ok players, but we are getting some younger more talented freshmen," said Wieferich.

Photo by Jennie Andrews

Building a new sports program is never an easy task, and the players of the mens hockey team have dealt with these struggles and others. With many new players, the guys found it difficult to play as a team. "It's easier to work together when you know each other better," said junior forward Billy Kingsley.

Talent is one opposing force on the team this year. While some players feel there is a lack of it, others have a better outlook. "Supposedly there is more talent coming onto the team next year than there is leaving this year," said junior goalie Joey Kirkpatrick. While the seniors may not be leaders on the team when it comes to scoring, many of the younger players look up to them as leaders, especially senior captain Tom Griffith. "Tom shows a lot of leadership and he's a good role model," said sophomore forward Brandon Boatman.

Another new addition to the hockey season was the location of the games: last year most of the games were held at the Summit; this year, though, all of the area games were held the Arc Ice Sports in East Lansing. Whether or not this contributed to low fan participation, it was obvious that there was a lack of fans at the games. "There aren't as many hardcore fans this year, but that doesn't really affect how we play. It is just more fun to play in front of people," said senior forward Tom Griffith.

Although the players struggled all season with winning games, their time spent together was not a complete waste, "One of our biggest strengths is that we have fun," said junior left wing Travis Rook. The players planning to return next year have high hopes of a winning season. "Next year we should be better, since there are a lot of younger guys planning to join the team," said junior forward Josh Major.

Making a player change, sophomore **Matt Twombly** approached the bench as senior **Adam Dickerson** enters the ice to take his place. "I think we all need to learn to work harder," said Twombly.

Photo by Jennie Andrews



- VARSITY hockey

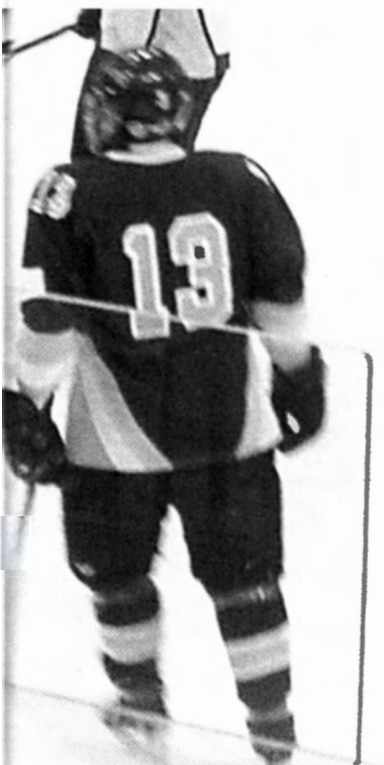
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| Grand Haven | 2-7 |
| Dewitt/St. Johns | 4-4 |
| Lowell | 0-3 |
| Grand Ledge/Waverly | 3-6 |
| Okemos | 1-5 |
| Dewitt/St. Johns | 4-3 |
| Jackson | 3-1 |
| Jackson Lumen Christi | 3-7 |
| East Lansing | 0-9 |
| Okemos | 2-5 |
| Haslett/Williamston | 1-12 |
| Jackson Lumen Christi | 2-12 |
| East Lansing | 3-8 |
| Grand Haven | 1-4 |
| Walled Lake Western | 2-12 |
| Grand Ledge/Waverly | 0-5 |
| Lowell | 6-4 |
| Lansing Catholic | 0-10 |
| Central | |
| Lansing Catholic | 1-9 |
| Central | |
| Jackson | 1-6 |





Face off, freshman **Jeremy McGraw** gets ready for the puck to drop, and junior left wing **Travis Rook** waits to receive the puck. Many players planning to return hope that the younger players who got experience this year will be a powerful force next year
Photo by Jennie Andrews

Flexing his offensive muscles, junior forward **Josh Major** sets up a goal. "Our strengths this year are that we have a lot of effort and strong ability for penalty killing," said Major.
Photo by Spencer Long



Setting up the shot, sophomore **Andy Kirkpatrick** attempts to get a shot on goal, while junior forward **Billy Kingsley** and **Matt Twombly** wait for a pass. "I think we are all willing to learn, we just need the right coaches," said Kingsley.
Photo by Jennie Andrews

Gymnastics is a sport of flips and turns. The 2003 season was filled with ups, downs and all-arounds.



Practicing for competition is senior **Kristin Bloomquist**. The beam is only one of her events, Bloomquist also competes in the all-around.

Photo by Dani Dimmitt

twisting

by dani dimmitt and jessica keener

THROUGH OBSTACLES



"Rachelle is the sweetest girl and she's so awesome at gymnastics. I'll always remember her, she's one of my heros," said junior **Eve Ayala** about senior **Rachelle Hmiel**. Team bonding was very important to the team this year.

Photo by Eve Ayala

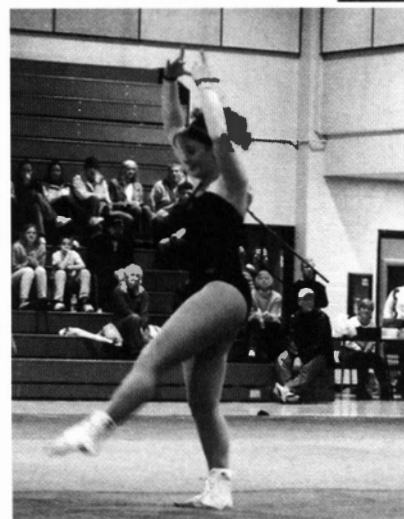
— WOMENS — gymnastics

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| Plymouth Salem Invite | 7th |
| Mason | 118-107 W |
| Holt Invite | 5th |
| Everett | 131-98 W |
| Eastern/Sexton | 132-91 W |
| Jackson | 137-126 W |
| East Lansing | 138-130 W |
| Haslett | 135-138 L |
| St. Johns | 140-135 W |
| St. Johns Invite | 1st |
| Grand Ledge | 134-137 L |
| CAC | 3rd |
| Adrian | 136-135 W |

With undeserved losses, a new coach, improved skills, and long lasting memories, the season came to an end for the womens gymnastics team. But the friendships and good times created through out the season won't fade away. "I'll never forget my teammates, our funny times together, jokes, and our successful meets," said sophomore Gracie Hilliard.

From the beginning of the season to the end, the girls had a lot of time to grow as a strong team, recognizing each other's strengths and weaknesses, and knowing that they could make it through the season as a team. The girls were determined to prove to everyone just how well they could do. "We had a really good year, practicing and training more and harder," said sophomore Ali Templin.

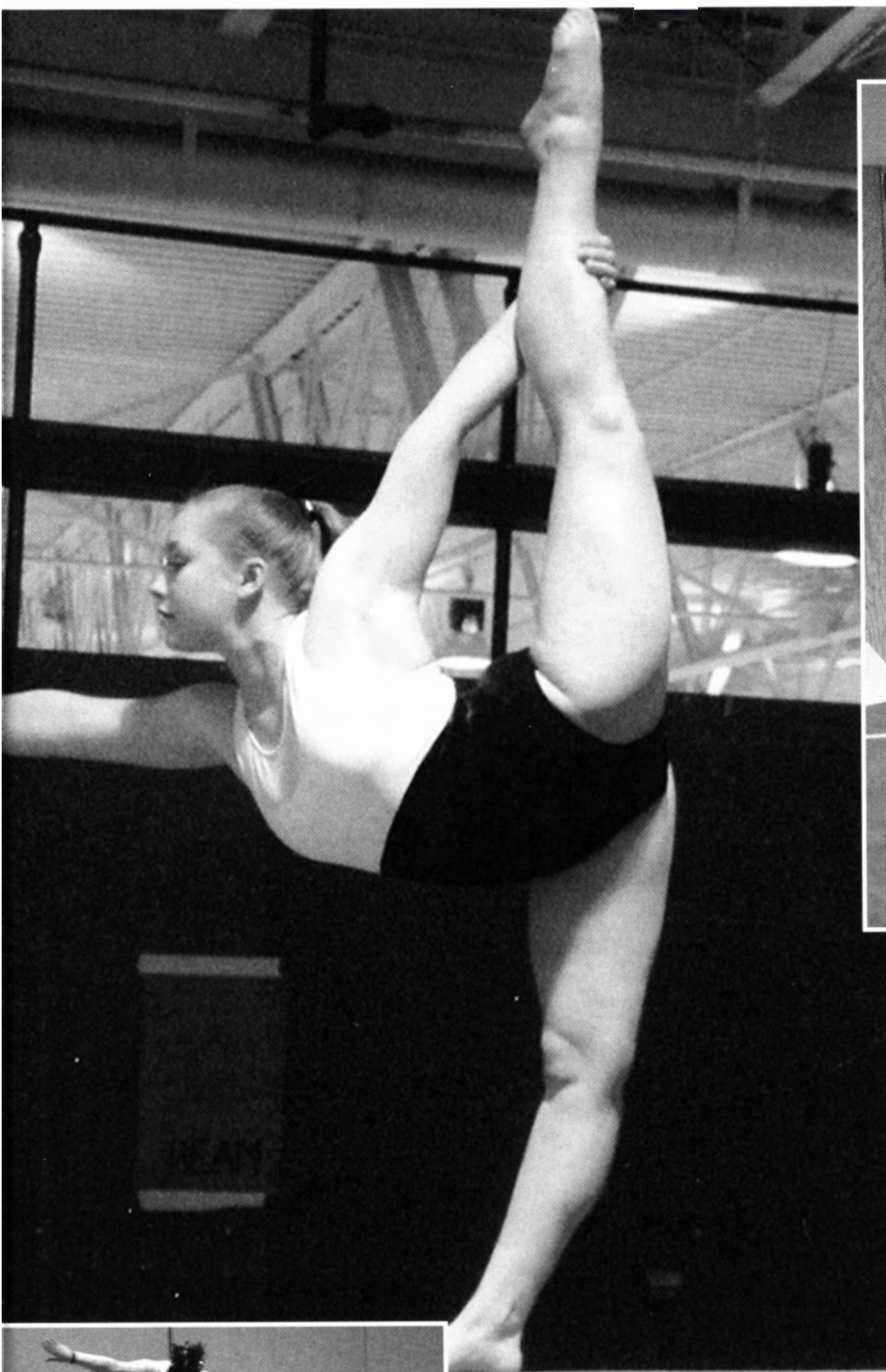
The team goal for next year is to get along better as a team, and try to take things more seriously at the beginning of the year instead of at the end.



Doing a 360 degree turn during one of her floor routines, is sophomore **Katie Knop**. "We've gotten a lot stronger with our new coach, both mentally and physically," says **Knop** about the teams 2003 season. *Photo by Dani Dimmitt*

Senior **Rachelle Hmiel** shows off her skills on the beam. One thing she says she'll never forget about this season is "all of the great memories and times we've had."

Photo by Eve Ayala



Practicing for CAC's, sophomore **Gracie Hilliard** perfects her routine. "Our team is a very encouraging bunch, we all get along pretty well and everyone helps keep your spirits high," said **Hilliard** about team bonding.
Photo by Eve Ayala

vocabulary LESSONS

- All-Around** When a gymnast competes in all four events: vault, beam, bars, and floor
- Giant** A complete 360 degree turn over the high bar
- Half-full** A half turn on the vault, before gymnast lands
- Full turn** A 360 degree on the floor or the beam
- Kip** A move when a gymnast hangs parallel to the bar and brings her feet up to the bar, then brings herself up to the bar



This year was a year of growing, and many factors brought the gymnastics team to success. Sophomore **Katie Knop** competes on the vault, she competes all-around.
Photo by Dani Dimmitt

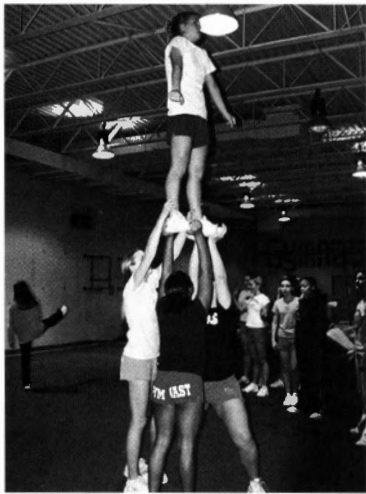
Through good times and bad, the cheerleading squads have managed to survive by



staying

—STRONG

by kelly briggs & jenny christensen



Dealing with major changes and sticking together through it all has been the main focus of the winter cheerleading squads this season. These changes include adding boys to the squad for the first time ever, and competing at a more advanced level than they had ever experienced. Yet the season was all and more than they could have expected. "We worked so hard this season. I am proud to say that I am a Holt cheerleader. I know that this year we have made a real name for ourselves," said junior Laura Cumbo.

Having male cheerleaders is a first time experience for Holt. The boys have made a big difference in the varsity squad, especially in the volume of the squad.

This season the squad's main goal was to beat Grand Ledge at their CAC competition. Both teams have improved every year, and this year's competition would be tough. "We really kicked it out at CACs this year. Even though we only got third place, we really did our best," said junior Kelly Wilson. The varsity squad also attended Regional and State-level competitions.

At a mock competition are senior Lindsay Enos, Elise Clemens, Kelly Briggs, and junior Mandy Wall. The seniors on the squad made up round one for competition. Photo by Barb Burns-Briggs

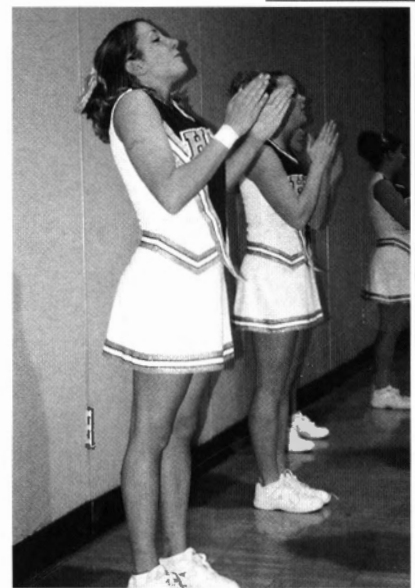
Performing at half time during a home game, the varsity squad hits a strong high "V." The squads perform at all the games between the the second and third period.

Photo by Andra Chapman
Being put up in a stunt is senior Kelly Briggs: "One of my more favorite parts of cheerleading is the stunts." Photo by Barb Burns-Briggs

At an after school practice, sophomore Stephi Marshall flies in an extended elevator. The squads prepared for competitions over four months. Photo by Kelly Briggs

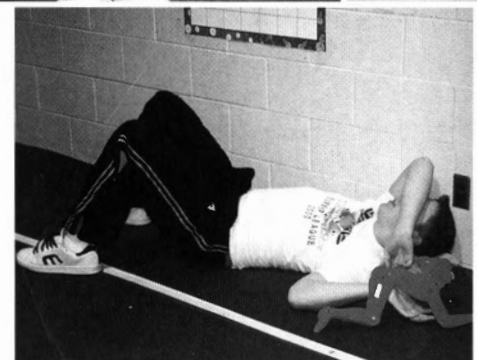
competition RESULTS

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| Lowell | 2nd |
| CAC - Eastern | 3rd |
| Royal Oak | 1st |
| Regionals | 8th |
| States | 28th |



Clapping out the beat is junior Heather Ott. "Cheerleading is a really big part of my life and it takes up a lot of time, but I really enjoy it so I don't mind it being so time consuming," Ott said. Photo by Kelly Briggs

Relaxing from practice is senior Ryan Carpenter. "Cheerleading is a lot harder then I thought it would be, but it is still pretty fun. Photo by Kelly Briggs



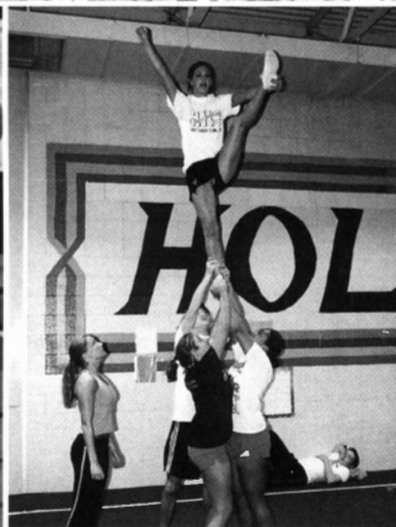


At a practice competition for friends and family, the varsity squad performs their round two. The cheerleaders took third place at their CAC competition.

Photo by Barb Burns-Briggs

Linking their arms together for the star spangled banner is the varsity squad. Every week they stand united together in hopes to win another games.

Photo by Kelly Briggs



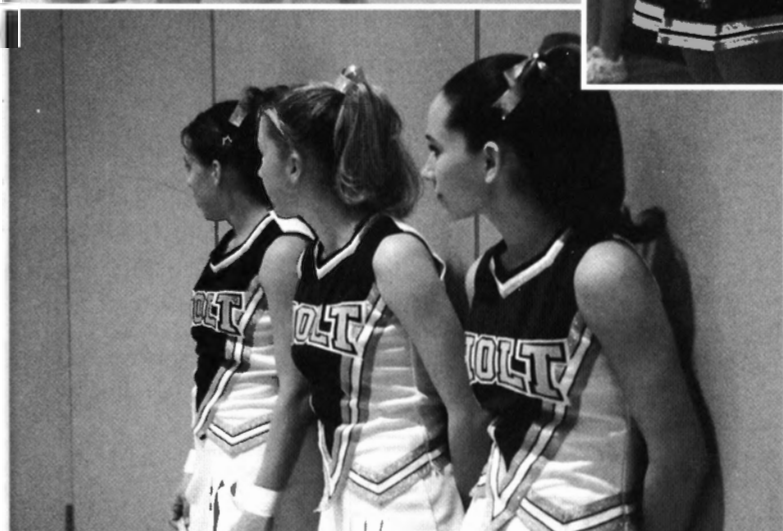
In an after school practice, junior Jenna Zolnai is held up in a stunt by juniors Heather Ott, Andrew Jones, and senior Alexis Palmer. The squads practice every day after school for two hours.

Photo by Kelly Briggs



Pumping up the crowd are sophomores Camara Cooper, Keegan Long, Devon Bement, and Lindsay Langkamp. Though the JV squad lost five of its original members, they still managed to work together every game.

Photo by Kelly Briggs



Watching the game at home are juniors Mandy Wall, Rachel Dowell and senior Elise Clemens. At every chance that the squad gets, they cheer on the basketball team.

Photo by Kelly Briggs

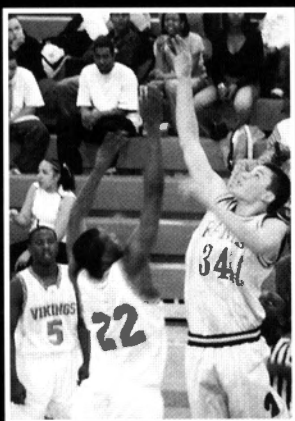
**Practice,
teamwork,
and unity
is what
this
year's
team was
all about**



shooting

FOR THE WIN

by kristine levondosky & leah maier



Sophomore Mikhail Eisler leaps for the jump ball at the beginning of the first quarter. Eisler, along with Andy Clark, was one of two sophomores on the varsity team.
Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky

Walking into a hot gym full of fans cheering loudly for no one other than the mens basketball team, the boys get pumped up during pregame warm-up, anticipating winning the game. "Warm-ups really get me focused on the game and the strategies that I will take to do the best that I can do," said senior Luke Osterhouse.

The boys worked very hard this season, including practicing on weekends and during winter break. "We have so much talent on the team, but I think we need to learn how to play better together; we can beat any team in the CAC as long we play a full 32 minutes," senior Jeremy Taylor said about the team.

Holt's biggest rivalry this year was Grand Ledge; they were defeated twice after two great games. The first game we lost 56-60, and in the second game we were winning for a while but had some trouble with closing out the game. "We hope to face Grand Ledge again in the finals," senior Chris Smith said. "We have been playing really well as a team the last couple games, if we continue to play together we will have a great chance of doing well in districts and so on," senior Jeremy Taylor said.

In addition to high hopes for districts, this year was a special year for the Fellows brothers because it's the one chance they have to play on varsity together. "I really enjoyed getting a chance to play a season on varsity team with my brother," senior Tommy Fellows said about his brother Kenny.

This year the team will be losing six essential players. "It's very unfortunate that we will be losing those guys: they are a great asset to the team, and we are going to have to work really hard next year to develop great teamwork," said sophomore Andy Clark about losing the seniors. "I will always miss the seniors," said Coach Lerner. "It will be an interesting situation next year with all of our young players."

1 Guarding Waverly's point guard is senior Len Fisher. The team always tried their hardest, but they weren't able to defeat Waverly either time they played them.

2 "We didn't have a great record, but we learned a lot about basketball and teamwork," said senior Tommy Fellows.

3 Senior Luke Osterhouse was known for making quite a few three pointers during the games this season.

4 During the last East Lansing game, most of the seniors have some fun while sitting on the bench.

5 "I'm really going to miss being able to play with my buddies James and Len," said senior Jeremy Taylor, of his last season on the team.

Photos by Kristine Levondosky and Leah Maier

VARSITY basketball

| | |
|----------------------|---------|
| St. Johns | 75-48 W |
| Sexton | 53-51 W |
| Mason | 53-71 L |
| Grand Ledge | 56-60 L |
| Okemos | 52-58 L |
| Eastern | 66-55 W |
| Waverly | 56-66 L |
| Pinckney | 72-68 W |
| Jackson | 74-68 W |
| Everett | 49-74 W |
| East Lansing | 55-53 W |
| Grand Ledge | 46-52 L |
| Owosso | 63-46 W |
| Sexton | 62-64 L |
| Eastern | 56-63 L |
| Waverly | 63-71 L |
| GROCC | 80-48 W |
| Jackson | 50-56 L |
| East Lansing | 47-60 L |
| Everett | 68-69 L |
| MHSAA District Mason | 48-53 L |

Senior Jeremy Taylor shoots a free throw during practice. Taylor was the top scorer for the season with an average of 14.6 points per game.

Photo by Okemos Studio



following THE LEAD

by kristine levondosky & leah maier

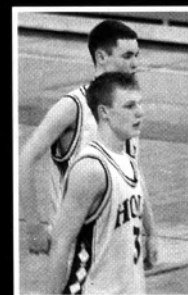
Jake Tropf gets ready to run back down to the other end of the court after Holt scored a basket during the Jackson game.

Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky



Walking onto the court after a time out are sophomores Tyler Schrauben and Jared Kaschyk. Schrauben was moved up to the varsity team at the end of the season for playoffs.

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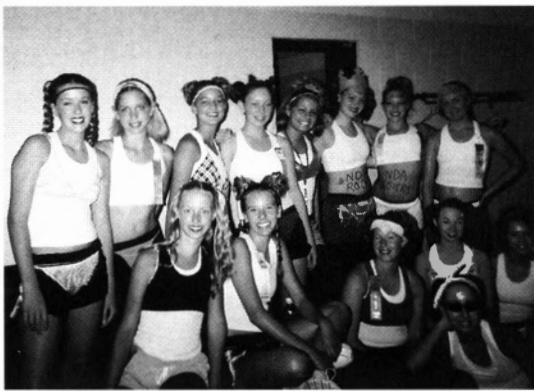
Senior Chris Smith shoots a basket during the Eastern game at the fieldhouse. Photo by Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky

The team comes together in a huddle during a time out at the Jackson game. Holt defeated Jackson at home, but lost to them at Jackson. Photo by Kristine Levondosky and Leah Maier



JV basketball

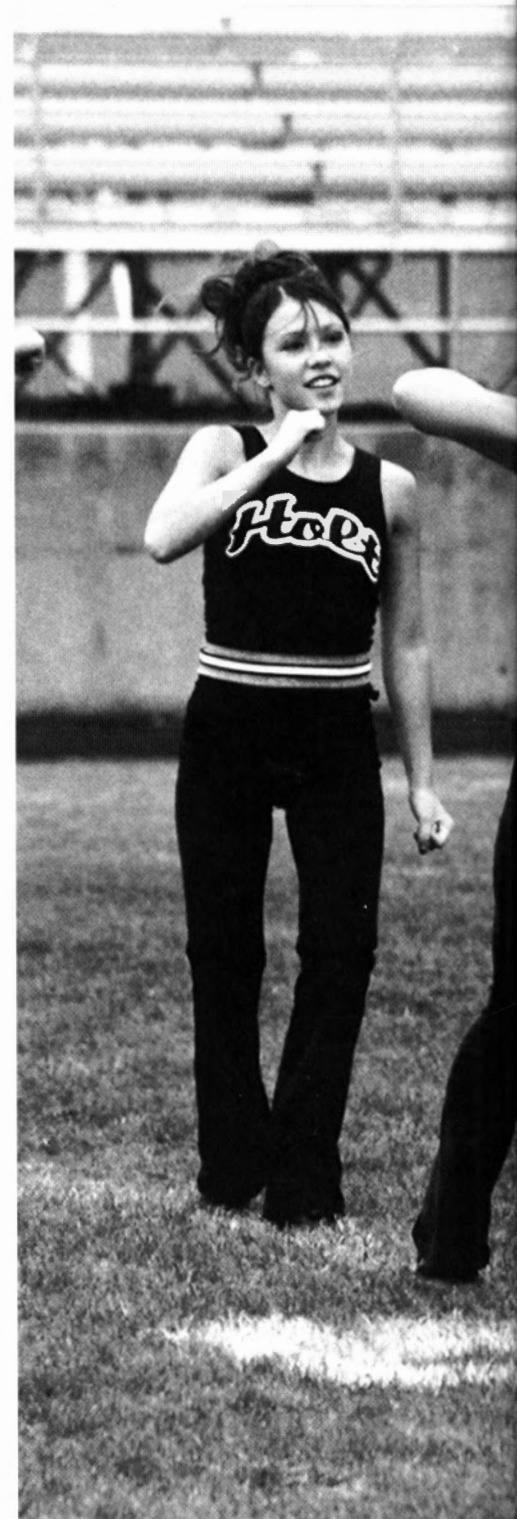
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| St. Johns | 59-52 W |
| Sexton | 28-25 W |
| Mason | 68-57 W |
| Grand Ledge | 52-44 W |
| Okemos | 61-79 L |
| Eastern | 66-49 W |
| Waverly | 17-58 L |
| Pinckney | 56-46 W |
| Jackson | 44-57 L |
| Everett | 55-69 L |
| East Lansing | 65-56 W |
| Grand Ledge | 51-37 W |
| Owosso | 45-30 W |
| Sexton | 37-49 L |
| Eastern | 53-46 W |
| Waverly | 61-38 W |
| GROC | 69-33 W |
| Jackson | 55-39 W |
| East Lansing | 42-34 W |
| Everett | 64-80 L |



During fun day at the NDA summer camp session, the dance team gets wild and crazy. The summer camp session was held July of 2002 at Hope College. Photo by Gabrielle Morrison



Practice makes perfect as the dance team pushes themselves to a new routine at one of their Monday after-school practices. Photo by Keri Kosloski



better

by **gia parker & keri kosloski** **THAN BEFORE**

Their motto: *Out with the old and in with the new.* The new and improved dance team has worked hard over the summer and they're back and more prepared than ever before. "We went to the NDA (National Dance Association) summer camp and we worked hard during practice time," explained senior Jessie Harger.

One of their main goals was to get the audience more in tune with them. "We try to get the audience involved by being up-beat with popular music. "Also we have a Guy/Girl dance every year, and we get guys from school to dance with us," explained senior Gabrielle Morrison. Junior Kristen Spencer also added, "I think the audience likes our performance more. We get a lot of recognition from friends, but we wish we could get more from strangers."

With all the hardwork and dedication, the most valued asset the dance team has improved on is the bonding between each other. "Going to the NDA summer camp session helped our team bond and we've become sisters, as well as best friends," described junior Shana Chapmen.

The dance team has accomplished a lot and made their mark, and as a result they are now considered a sport as of last year (2002), thanks to the new athletic director Rick

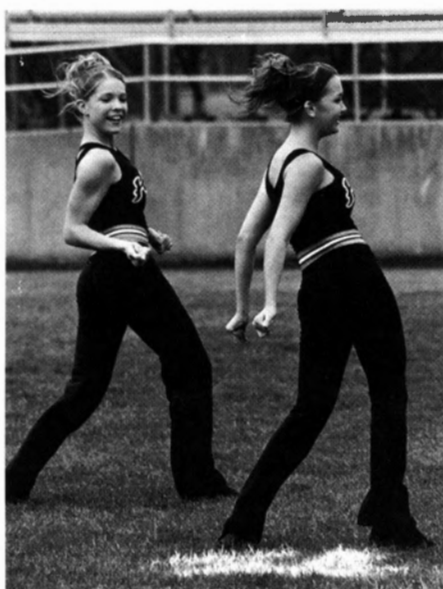
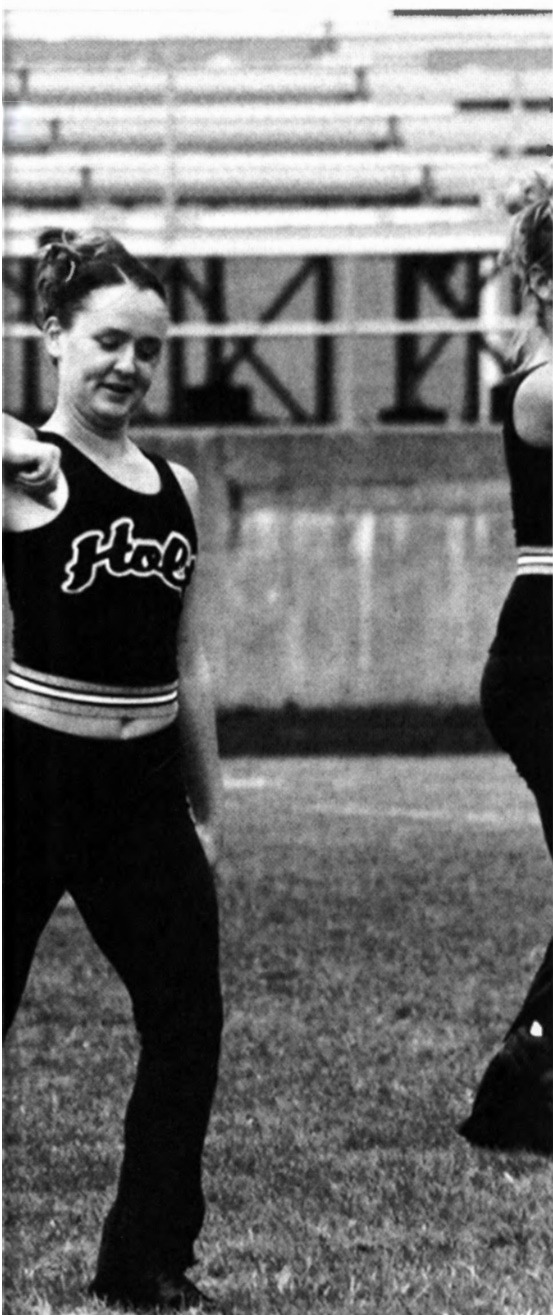
competition RESULTS

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| Mid-America Dance | 2nd |
| NDA Competition | 2nd |
| Sparta Open Competition | 2nd |

Schmidt. "We feel accomplished and deserve to be recognized because we have worked hard during these past years," said a proud senior Jessica Clark. They are not just a team, but a family, ready for any challenges and performing better than before.

Everybody say, "Cheese!" Full of school spirit and pizzazz, the dance team smiles for the camera in celebration of homecoming week. Courtesy Photo





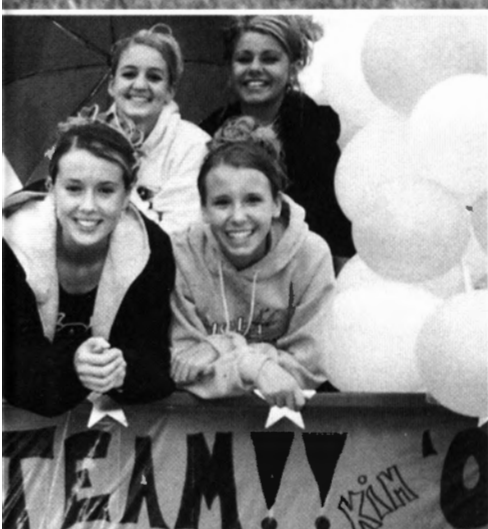
All smiles to get the audience jumping at the Homecoming pep rally are sophomores **Katie Conklin** and **Katherine Becsey**.
Photo by Dani Dimmitt

With hair flying and arms swinging, the dance team got the crowd excited during half time at the second varsity home basketball game with a Michael Jackson remix performance. "We all had nerves, but it was a rush with all the excitement," explains senior **Jessica Clark**.
Photo by Bethany Keyes



In celebration of what they have accomplished, the dance team poses for a group photo showing the ribbons of their individual performances at the NDA summer camp.
Photo by Gabrielle Morrison

In sync with the beat of Lil' Kim and P. Diddy, seniors **Amy Letner**, **Kim Hudler**, and **Gabrielle Morrison** give all their might at the Homecoming pep rally. "We were all really pumped despite how cold it was," said senior Amy Letner. *Photo by Dani Dimmitt*



— STATE YOUR **opinion**



Photo by Keri Kosloski

I think they have improved a lot since last year. They are really good!
~ Senior **Steven Scavarda**

They're entertaining and I like watching them perform better than last year.
~ Junior **Troy Albert**

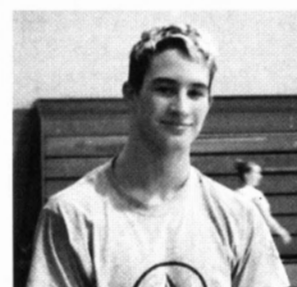
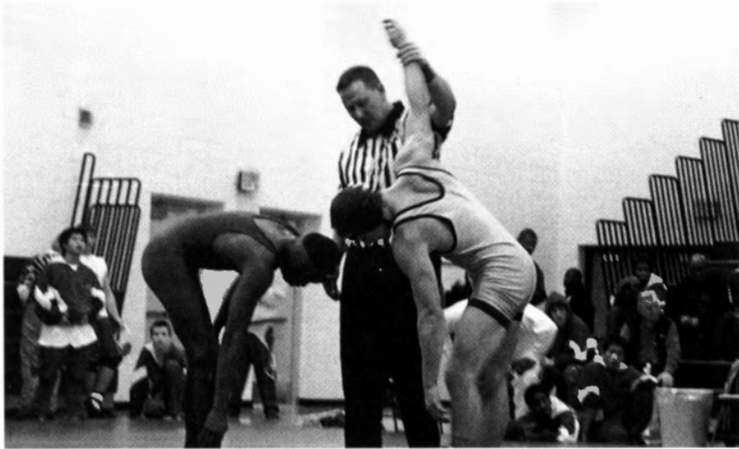


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Matching Game

Match the person with the quote.



- 1** Do I have embarrassing moments? No, I create them for others.



- 2** Do I look fat to you?

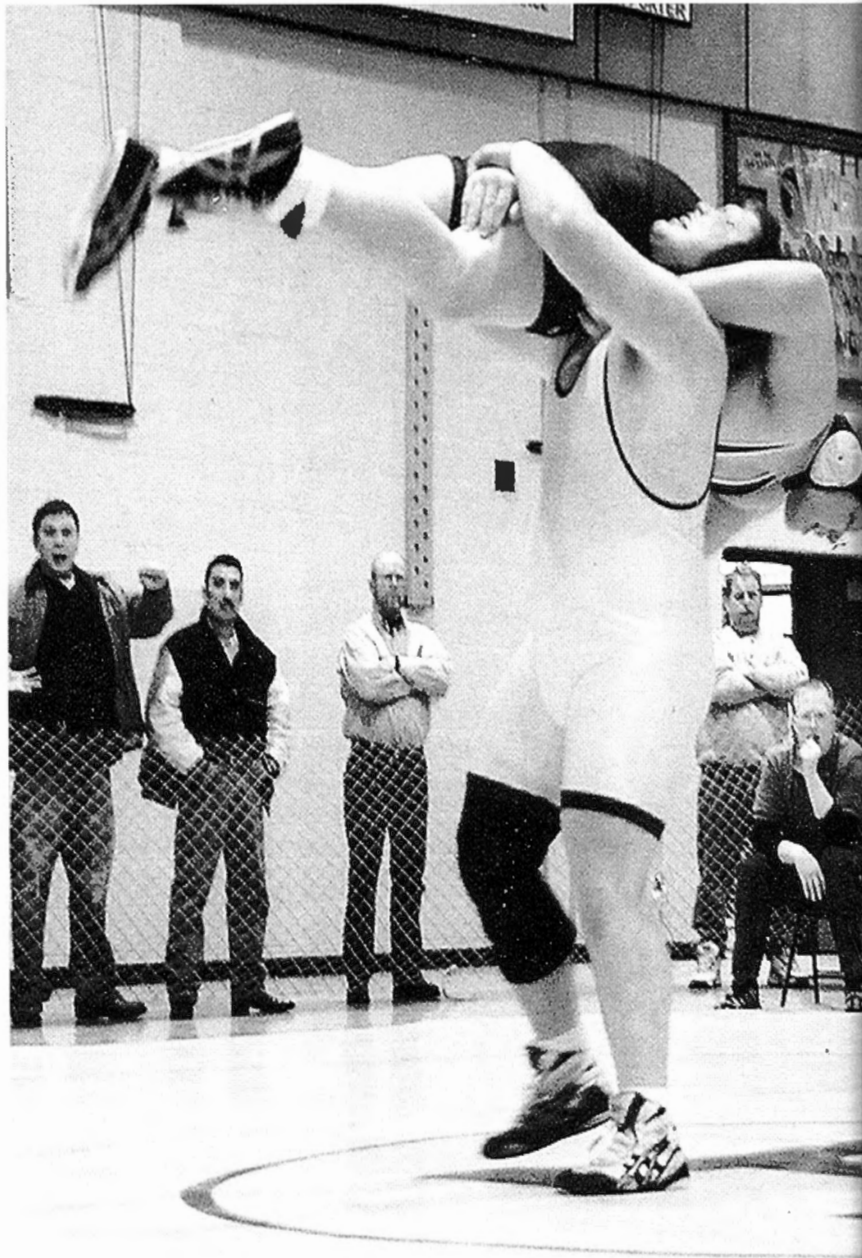


- 3** Ten straight is the icing on the cake.

Answer: 1c, 2a, 3b

Exhausted but relieved about the triumph over Everett senior **Mike Fobbe** advances toward second round at CAC's with something to brag about. *Photo by Danielle Burt*

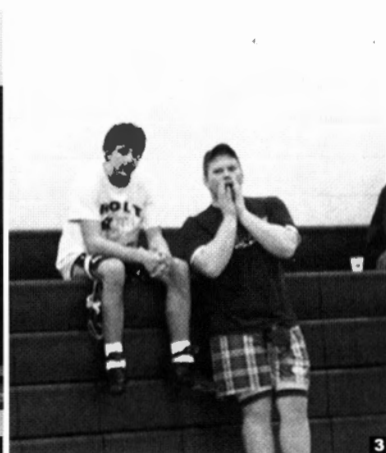
BAM! About to smash his opponent to the floor is senior **Adam Barr**. Barr went to win CAC's which helped the team stay in first place. *Photo by Danielle Burt*



No way to escape, senior **Daniel Ackles** has his opponent pinned to the ground ready for his win at CACs. *Photo by Danielle Burt*

JV Wrestling

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| St. Johns | 8-0 |
| Haslett | 8-0 |
| East Lansing | 5-3 |
| Grand Ledge | 6-2 |
| Mason | 8-0 |
| Jackson | 7-1 |
| Waverly | 8-0 |
| Everett | 8-0 |
| Portland | 8-0 |
| Eastern | 8-0 |
| Ann Arbor Huron | 3-5 |
| Dewitt | 7-1 |



1 Words of encouragement are what junior **Cameron Rodgers** hears from his mother before he wrestles. The team found many ways to get pumped up before their time, by talking to a loved one to just screaming at the top of their lungs.

2 Dedicated to not only wrestling, but to his academics: junior **Thomas Malone** is congratulated by coach **Rocky Shaft** at the opening of CACs. Malone was a helpful contributor to the team's 3.38 GPA which put Holt in first for academics in the Capital Area Conference.

3 Sheer excitement from the side, senior **Adam Barr** cheers along with **Sean Hanton** for fellow teammates. Photos by Danielle Burt

When it comes to wrestling

only the strong SUCCEED

by danielle burt

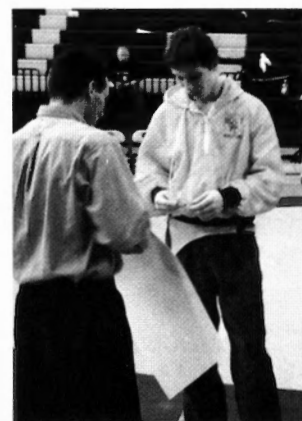
"Welcome to Grand Ledge for the CAC tournament, the last CAC tournament," were the words heard by all the anxious varsity wrestlers. This statement alone made their adrenaline high, ready to fight even harder to keep what's rightfully theirs. Holt went on to win the CACs for their tenth consecutive year. Five wrestlers won individual championships. Ten placed in championship matches and two in matches for third or fourth place.

To make the situation even more memorable, Holt's wrestling team had the highest average GPA in the Capital Area Conference with a 3.38; the wrestling team committed themselves to their studies as well as wrestling.

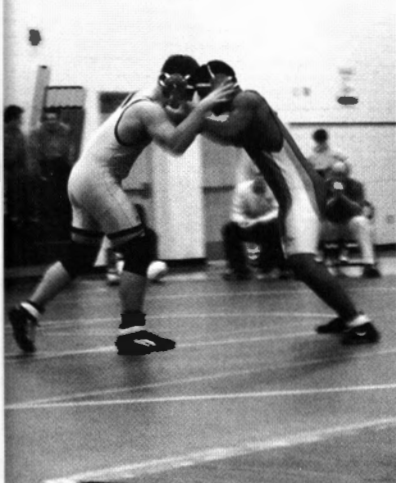
Their practices consisted of strict dedication. There were days when they had to cut ten pounds in a day. This led to watching what they ate very closely and doing intense workouts for hours. Losing water weight was a focus, which was accomplished by riding a stationary bike with the hot showers running. Making weight was essential for them to be able to wrestle in the upcoming match. The guys take weighing in very seriously; junior Thomas Malone stated, "Don't quit at anything other than eating because making weight is most important."

The seniors definitely had some memorable moments to take along with them. "After you get done with a match and you know you wrestled your best against a really good person and you win. You just lay down when you get off the mat because you're so exhausted and you just think: *what if I would have given up or not done this or that*; but you know you did what you had to do to get it done. That's what I like best about wrestling," senior Adam Barr explained.

The success of the team means that the underclassmen have a strong tradition to keep up. "Work hard, be intense, and don't ever give up," are the encouraging words from senior Adam Barr to the underclassmen for the future.



Being congratulated by his coach is freshman Ben Phinney. Phinney completed the CACs with a fourth place win for the junior varsity team.



A Holt wrestler rams heads with opponent, fighting hard to beat his opponent, which he successfully does and continues to the next round.

Photo by Danielle Burt

— VARSITY — wrestling

| | |
|-------------------|------|
| Holt Invitational | 1st |
| St. Johns Invite. | 1st |
| Haslett | 7-1 |
| East Lansing | 8-0 |
| Grand Ledge | 7-1 |
| Mason | 6-2 |
| Jackson | 8-0 |
| Waverly | 7-1 |
| Everett | 8-0 |
| Sexton | 8-0 |
| Eastern | 8-0 |
| Dewitt | 8-0 |
| CAC | 1st |
| Lansing Catholic | 7-1 |
| Regionals | 1st |
| States | 12th |

adding up the cost

Why are some teams funded by the school while others are not? Over the years many teams were considered clubs, which meant that they were not supported by the school, but now some of them are sports, meaning that they are funded by the school. Pompon is not the only team that isn't being funded, other clubs include the boys and girls freshmen soccer teams and boys and girls lacrosse teams. A club may not be supported by the school because it may not have been active or even introduced within the past five years. "It is also hard to keep supporting new clubs because of our school budget that we have. Later on in the years the club might be supported just depending on how active and involved they've been," said athletic director Rick Schmidt.

Being the first year ever that the pompon team has performed has been a little difficult. Having to do activities like car washes, selling candy items like M&Ms, Starbursts, and Skittles is one way that the girls try to earn money. "We did this fundraiser with Burger King where we would ask people inside of the restaurant for their receipts, and whatever their receipts added up to, we got, like, 20 percent of that for pompon," said sophomore Missy Harvey.

Even with all the fundraiser money, it can still be difficult for some girls and their families. One hundred dollars is not that easy for families to just hand to their daughters, and many young girls may not be at the age to help their families with all the cost by having a job. So how much do the girls actually spend to be participants in the pompon squad? Well, let's add up the cost...

the bottom line



Photo by Tammy Bozzo

Fall Uniform Bill

| | |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Shirts | \$10 |
| Skirts | \$20 |
| Poms | \$18 |
| Participation fee | \$50 |
| TOTAL | \$98 |

Winter Uniform Bill

| | |
|-------------------|--------------|
| Uniforms | \$100+ |
| Poms | \$18 |
| Participation fee | \$50 |
| TOTAL | \$168 |

Do you feel that the & a pompon squad should be funded?

"Yes, because if they take time to practice then I consider that being hard work. All teams who work hard and put in all the effort should be funded."

~ junior **Justin Jenca**

"Yes and no. I say they should be funded because they're competitive and all competitive teams should be funded, but I also say no because if you love something so much then you should be able to make some sacrifices."

~ senior **Josh Holybee**

"Yes, because if the school can support the dance team and the cheerleading squad, then they should support the pompon. Pompon seems to me like a mixture of dance and cheer, so why not support them?"

~ junior **Danielle Abood**

Brrr... The girls huddle up before they go out to perform. "It gets cold outside, but once we go out and perform it warms up," said senior

Danielle Barker.

Photo by Tammy Bozzo

Showing off a cheerful smile is one requirement while performing.

"It is really important to show enthusiasm to the crowd because then they'll get into the performance also," says sophomore **Danielle**

Bozzo. Photo by Tammy Bozzo

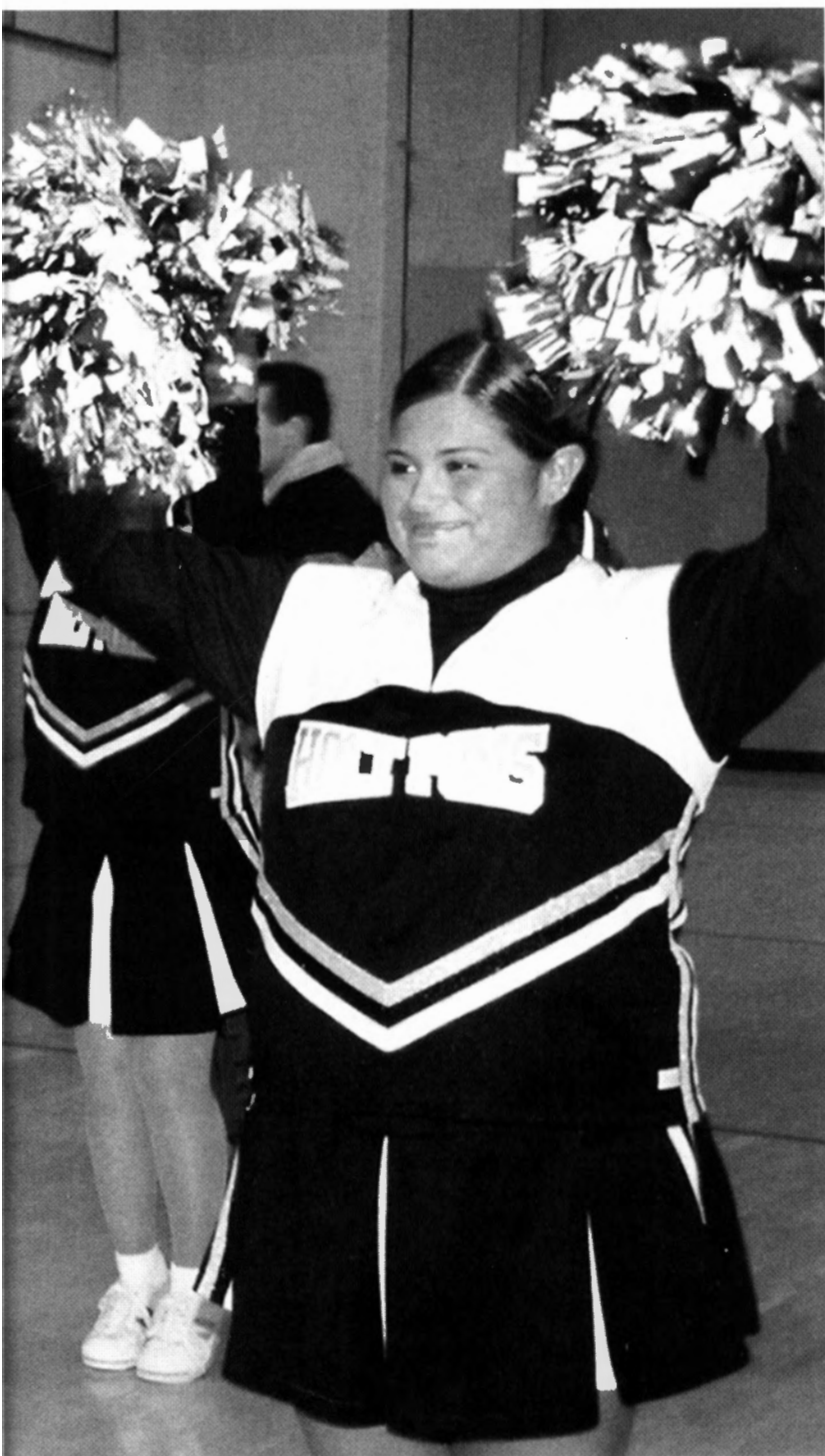


Working at the car wash is what the pompon girls are doing in order to earn money to support their team.

"It is hard not being supported -- money-wise -- by the school because it then makes it harder for us to get money. But we work hard and earn the money we need," says sophomore captain **Alicia Kyte.**

Photo by Gia Parker





**"We ain't goin' nowhere,
We ain't goin' nowhere,
We can't be stopped now
Cause its pompon for life..."**

While other teams are hunkling up before they go out to perform, pompon does something different. The girls sing a re-made chant from a Puff Daddy song to get themselves and the team ready to go out and perform.

The pompon squad was started by one parent thinking about changing things and letting the girls perform their own way. Tammy Bozzo, sophomore Danielle Bozzo's mother, is who started getting everything together. "It was a way for girls to dance their own way and their own style. Also for girls who did not want to be on the dance team or cheerleading team to show their dance styles," said senior Gia Parker. "The pompon squad is about dancing our own way but we don't cheer," said sophomore captain Alicia Kyte. The pompon squad has a different style than the dance team and cheerleading squad

Bringing in a new club also brings in new feelings and opinions, but the pompon squad seems to all get along. "We all get along fine and we don't have any confrontations. It's really nice for all of us to get along so well because then as a team we perform better," explained Kyte.

The first performance may have been really nerve-wrecking for the girls, but they dealt with it. "We didn't do all that good at the freshmen game but with the JV game we just got out there and did a better job," said sophomore Gracie Hillard. Junior Ajani Scott explained: "It was real scary at our first performance, but then it became empowering."

Some people may not always agree with the dancing but they enjoy what they do. Scott said, "some families like what we do, but then there are the few who think we are vulgar. But were just trying to do our own thing!"

The girls seem to be proud about how their season has gone. "It is going good, but we don't get all that recognition that we would like to see, many people think that we are not good enough because they haven't seen us around for a long time like the cheerleading squad or the dance team," said senior Danielle Barker. "But we're still good!"

Demonstrating new dance

grooves

by anna martinez

Some teachers come and go, while others leave an impression. Back in 1966, Georganne Withey began her career at Holt High School. Seven months later, Gerry Woolston and Dan Ernst entered the scene. Each year that passes they become more experienced and develop a greater tolerance toward the students. The newer teachers hope to achieve this same success and knowledge. "It's nice to learn from the other faculty members. I look up to the staff because they teach me more every day," said math teacher Craig Huhn.



Before the school day starts English teacher **Debbie Childers** corrects her students' papers in order to hand them back on time.
Photo by Christine Beno

Teachers Watch The Years Fly

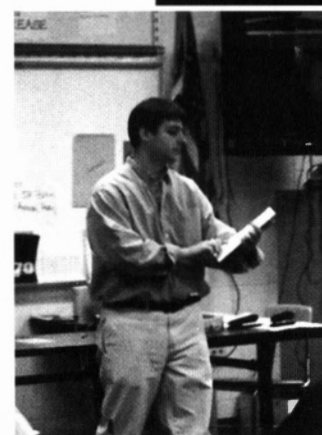
As Generations Of Kids Go By

by Tande Ireland
& Jessica DeRosa

Each day that passes becomes easier, as the teachers learn from their mistakes. First day jitters will always be remembered, but first day catastrophes will remain haunting. "On my first day my fly was open and my shirt was coming through. It was really embarrassing. I leaned on the board and left a sweat spot over the instructions. I will never forget that because it was great," said social studies teacher Bill Savage.

Views and feelings change over the years. A lot of beginning teachers have mixed emotions coming into a new school. "Coming in my first day I was excited and amazed to find a job. It was strange that I graduated here with my new colleagues as my former teachers," said art teacher Brooke Barrett. Teachers have gone through similar experiences. "I have taught parents of the students I have in class now. There have been many generations of kids that I've taught from the same family," said Spanish teacher Juanita Grew.

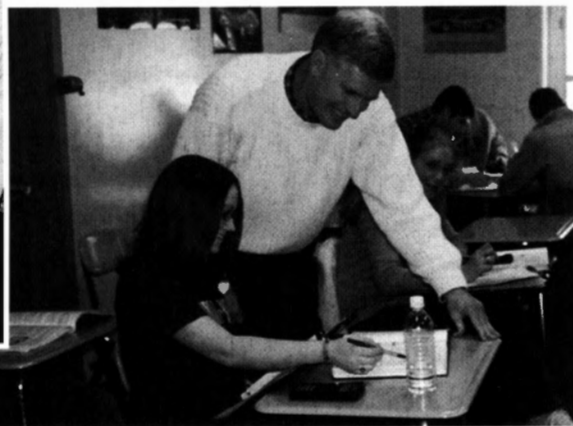
Giving advice to her technical drawing student is teacher **Beth Pulver**. This class teaches the students patience when drawing all views of three-dimensional shapes.
Photo by Jennifer Cooke



Reading instructions so students understand the assignment is history and English teacher **Matt Trunk**.
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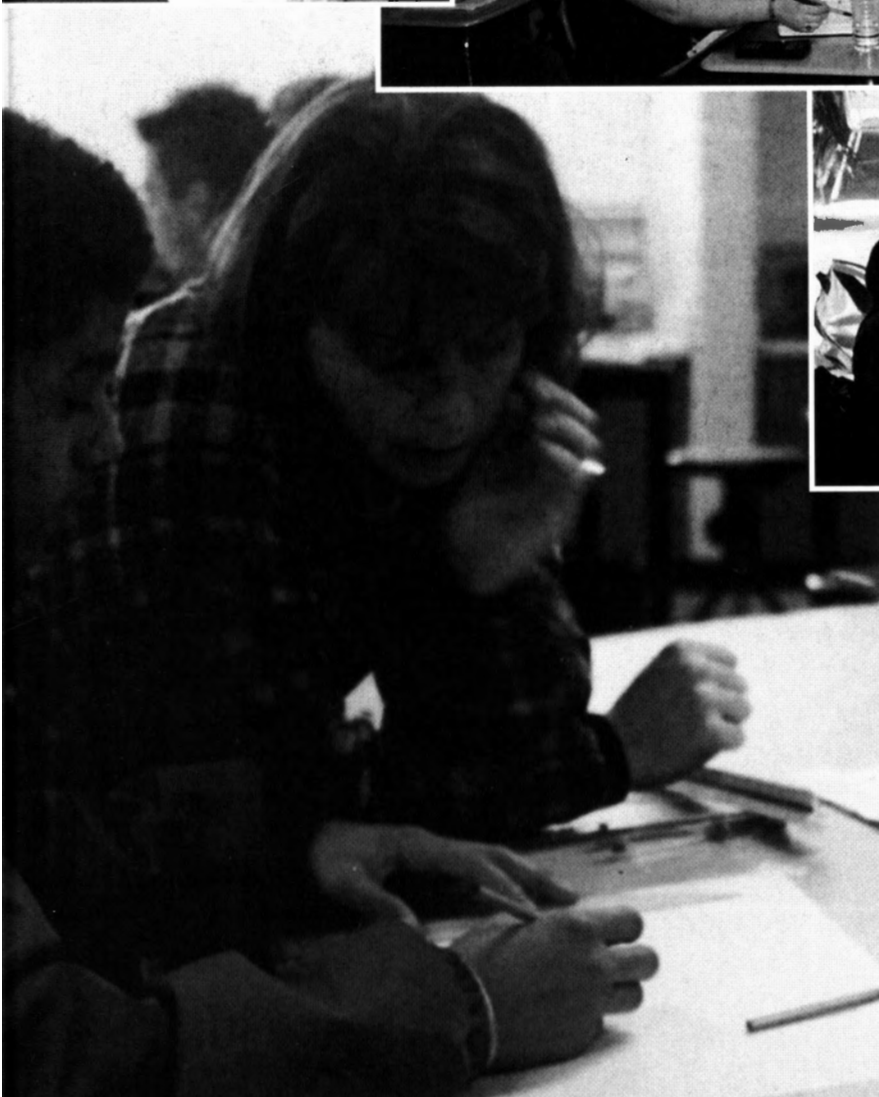


Demonstrating a lesson to senior Justin Pierce is math intern Jeff Klapper. Photo by Jennifer Cooke



"Am I doing this right?" Business teacher Daniel Ernst looks over his student's work to ensure they are on the right track. Photo by Jennifer Cooke

Taking time out from class to help her students individually is math teacher Kelly Huhn. Photo by Jennifer Cooke



How LONG Have They Been Here?

Match the teacher to the correct number of years they say they have been at Holt High School:

- | | |
|--------------|--------------|
| 1) Grew | A) 24 Years |
| 2) Withey | B) 33 Years |
| 3) Savage | C) 37 Years |
| 4) Mann | D) 11 Years |
| 5) Boulanger | E) 946 Years |
| 6) Gillett | F) 5 Years |

Answers: 1E, 2C, 3A, 4F, 5D, 6B

Conversing with his colleagues: Judy Woolston and Ann Sutliff, principal Brian Templin works hard to make sure that everything runs smoothly in the building. Photo by Jennifer Cooke



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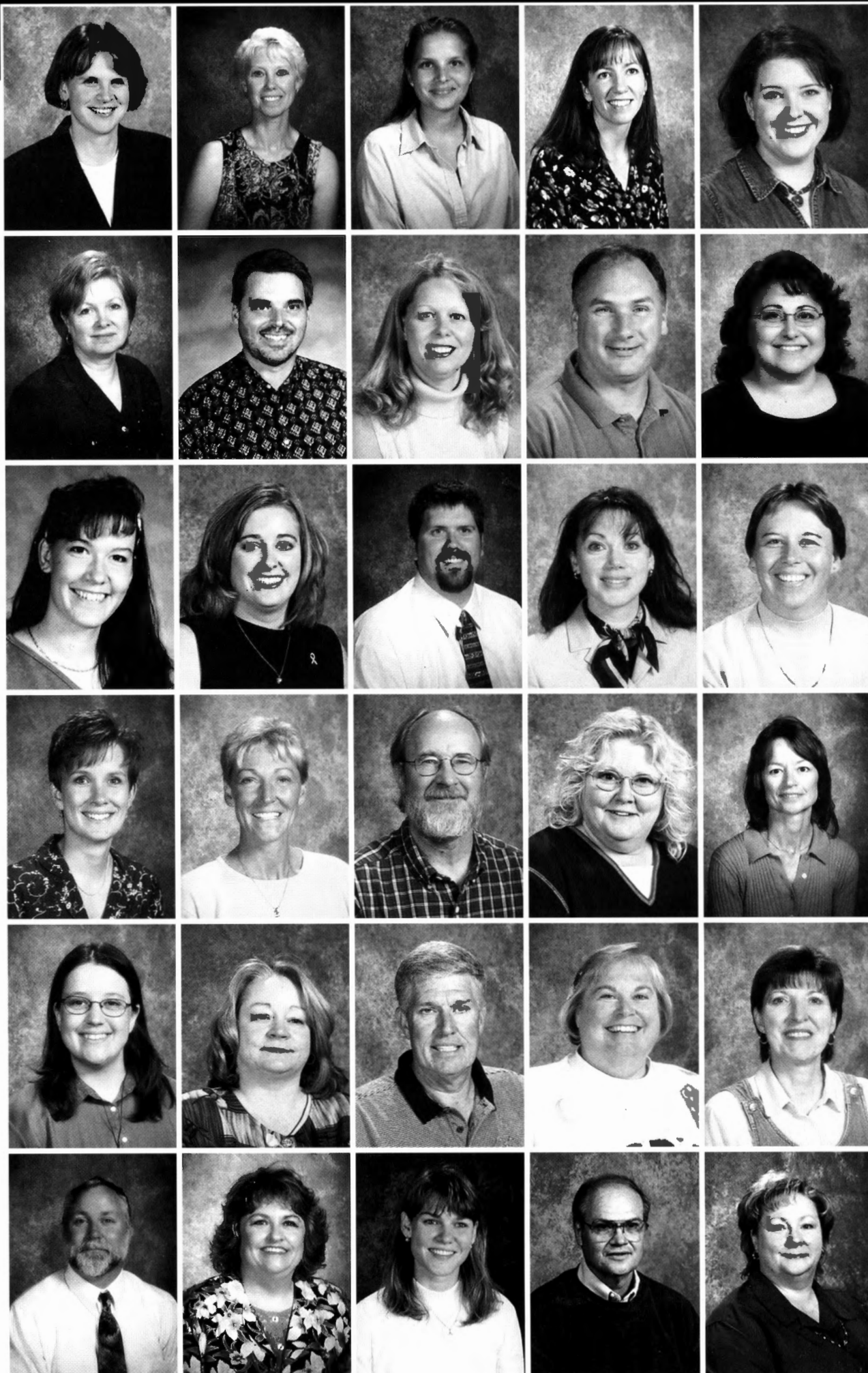
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Beth Frazier
Lynn Garrett
Jerry Gillett
Cindy Godbehre



Embarrassing moments

by Jennifer Cooke

What is the most unforgettable moment of high school? Was it the time spent with friends hanging at "the spot" or the basketball team making it all the way? What about those moments that you would rather forget than to go through them all over again? We all have had embarrassing moments at one time or another in our life. That is just a small part of our life that makes us who we are. Those moments don't stop when we walk up to receive our diploma either, even the most experienced and hardworking people, like teachers, have moments they'd like to forget.



For my junior prom in high school, I went with this guy from Waverly who didn't wear a tux! Instead he wore a leisure suit with a white wool turtleneck. He was the only one [not wearing a tux], and to make it even worse the yearbook staff put a picture of me and him dancing that night in the yearbook. I will never be able to forget that night because of the picture.

~Amy Killbridge

In ninth grade I was on the basketball team and during a game I got ahold of the ball and started dribbling down the *wrong way* of the court. Luckily I realized it before I made a shot. ~Laura Kueffner



My most embarrassing moment was when I flunked drivers ed. I was driving a stick shift and I never put it into second, but then another car pulled up on the side of me and I put it into second and I drag-raced down Beacon Blvd. in Grand Haven. So I failed drivers training for drag racing. ~Dan Ernst



In sixth grade I carved the initials GN+SL into wet cement (SL were the initials of my girlfriend) on a sidewalk by Eastern High School. Later she left me for another guy. Those initials are still there, I think. ~Guil Northrup

When I was a freshman, I played in my high school band. And



when we went to band day at the University of Michigan, where all schools from around the state come and play at half time, I was walking down the bleachers and because of the angle I was looking down at, I got disoriented and fell six rows down. From that point on I have always sat on the bottom row. ~Amy Clark



When I was 16, my friend and I went on a double date with these girls from our school. It was supposed to work out well. I had my learners permit and my mom was going to let me use her car. But then my grandma goes and makes a fuss to my mom on how I just have my permit and not my actual license. So my mom ended up coming with us. There were five of us piled into our 1959 Ford custom.

~Bill Savage



I was hurrying to my class, which at the time was B1, and the slope in front of the attendance office wasn't carpeted then (1983) and they must have just waxed the floors, because all of a sudden I slid all the way down without falling until I came to the bottom, where there were a bunch of students were just standing around and they wouldn't move and we collided. I fell on the ground, and they laughed their you-know-whats off. Now that I think of it, they did it on purpose. ~Juanita Grew

Changing over time

by Jennifer Cooke

See some of the most experienced teachers as they have changed over the decades, not just in their looks, but in their teaching techniques, as well.



Name: Juanita Grew

Teaching Status: 946 years ("I started shortly after Mrs. Withey.")

Teaching styles over the years: Before I was in a really bad accident I use to be really mobile, moving around the room. I also used a lot of props. Now I have to conduct business from behind my desk, so I have to take change.

Things done the same: I have never tolerated gum popping or students sitting on top of the desks. Students will come back 20 years from now and remember how I always say, "In that seat, not on it." I also start the day off with "Buenos Dias," and end it with, "Adios."



Name: Gerald Woolston

Teaching Status: 38.5 years

Teaching styles over the years: I have become more cooperative with my students. I have learned to listen to them, and I have used a lot of group work activities.

Things done the same: The kids basically stay the same each year. Kids are kids. It's never done for self promotion.



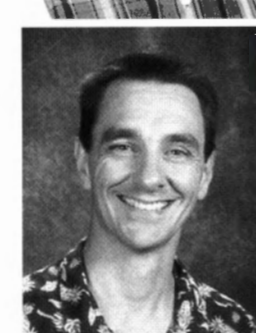
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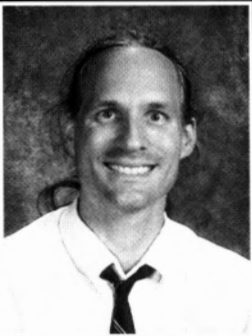
Teaching Status: 37 years

Teaching styles over the years: I have worked with being teacher-friendly. It's always been that way. I just keep on working with it. I get kids to respect me. I always make sure I smile everyday.

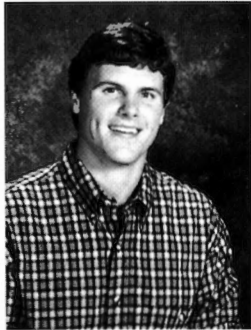
Things done differently: I have given kids more responsibility. I have grown more into my job, become more at ease.

Things done the same: I have always respected the kids; I have treated them fairly.

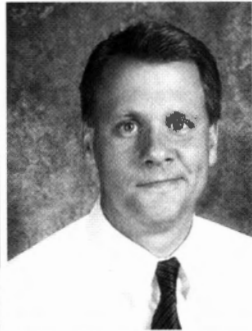
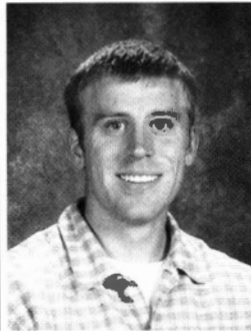
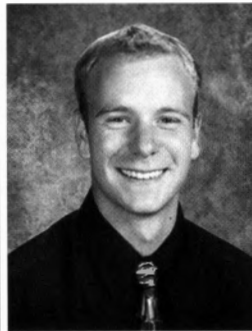




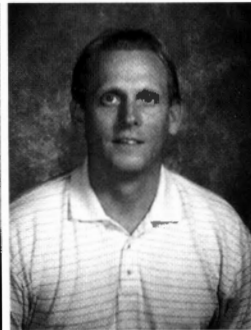
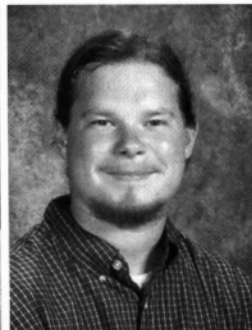
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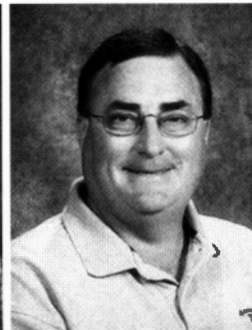
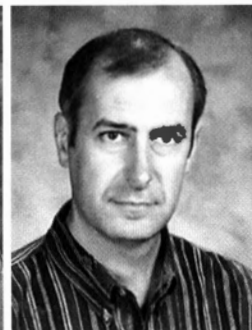
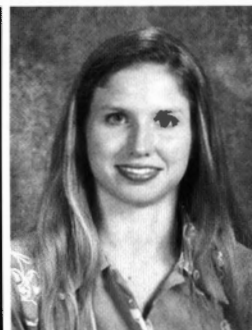
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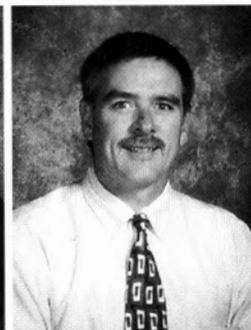
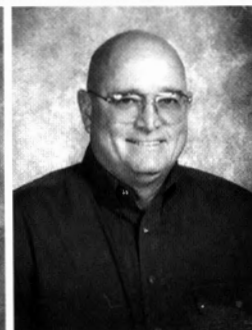
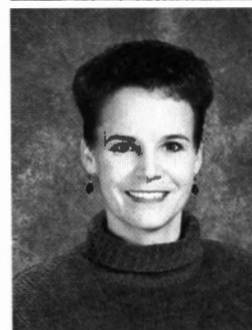
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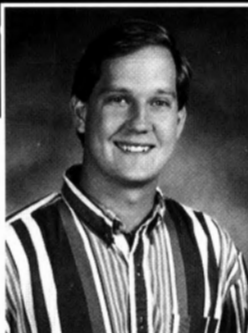


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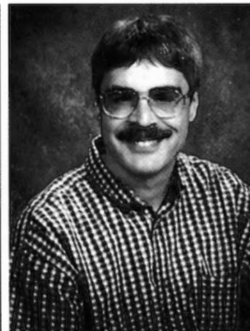


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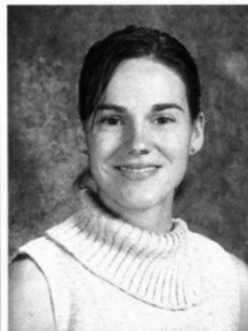
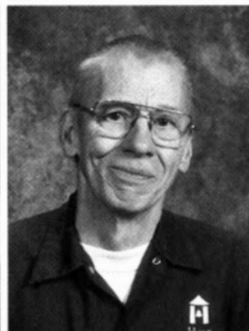
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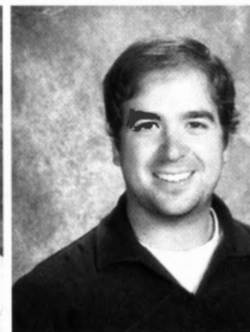
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Traveling off the path into new things

by Jennifer Cooke

It's hard to believe all the passion and learning (as well as the teaching) that took place over many hours between rooms B4 and B7 almost hadn't happened. For teachers Georganne Withey and Gerald Woolston, teaching wasn't their first choice.

Withey, after graduating high school, had four choices: either to stay at home and be a housewife, to be a secretary, be a nurse, or to go into the teaching field. Being a housewife just wasn't her thing; there was too much blood involved with being a nurse; and halfway to becoming a secretary, she realized it wasn't as fulfilling as being a teacher would be. Forty years later as she packs her things, Withey recalls all the lives she has touched. "It's really good to know that I have touched so many lives in so many ways." It is estimated that she has taught 8000 students. "I decided to retire three years ago when they decided to build the new school. Tom Davis jokes that it only took sixty-one million dollars to eliminate me."

Gerald Woolston was planning to go into ministry: "Teaching was always my second choice, but when my dad passed, things were rough financially. I always loved history, especially when my grandfather told me stories, so teaching seemed like a good idea."

When they walk out the door for the last time, they will still have things to occupy their time. Gerry Woolston will spend more time with his children and his granddaughter who suffered a stroke. "I want to go to where I'm needed when I'm needed, spend more time with my family. I also want to concentrate more on my photography."

There are many things that will occupy Georganne Withey's time. With running around to her six grandkids sporting events and shopping all the time at Meijers, she is bound to stay on the go. "I have a feeling I will be back (here at Holt). I've spent two thirds of my life here, I'll be back."

Georganne Withey: 39 Years English



Number of books read in class: 9 books per semester over 40 years = **360 books**

Number of journals read from students: 70 journals per year over 40 years = **2800 journals**

Advice to teachers: "You need to be willing to be here. It's not a 7:35-2:35 job. You need to make a commitment. In your moment of weakness, think of all the pluses of the job, the impacts and the influences."

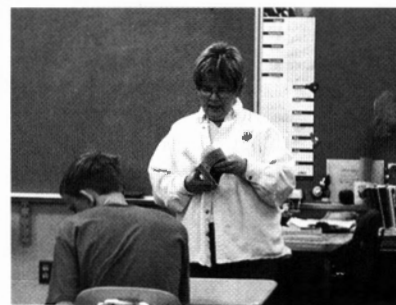
Gerry Woolston: 38.5 Years Social Studies



Involved in (past involvement): History, English, Math, Geography, Boys & Girls Baseball and Basketball, Title 1 Coordinator.

Estimated number of tests given: 2 per marking period, plus finals, over 38.5 years = **over 500 tests**

If you could do it all over again would you? "No, I would not, I would do something more society serving, in a different capacity."



Reading a passage from a book to one of her English literature classes is **Georganne Withey**. Withey, who has been here for 40 years, decided to retire three years ago.

Photo by Jennie Andrews

Fixing a pencil to help grade one of many assignments is history teacher **Gerry Woolston**.

Woolston who had taught here for 38.5 years is famous for his interesting stories and long tests.

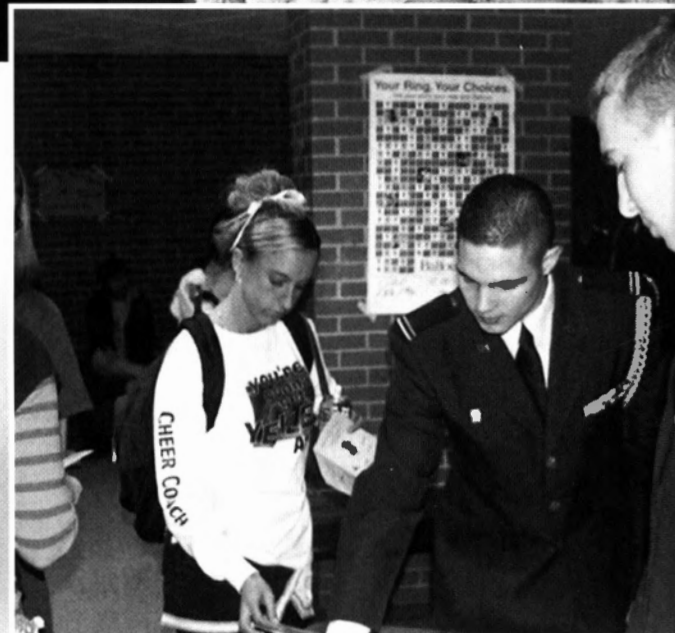
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Pumped up for the big game are four little fans out of the many that still attend sporting events in Holt. No one is letting the talk of war spoil their fun.

Photo by Leah Maier.



*Our prayers are with
those who are suffering...
and for our great nation.*



During lunch time senior Lindsay Enos fills up on information about the Air Force. The Air Force is recruiting students to help fight for our nation in the war against terrorism and the looming war against Iraq. Photo by Jessica DeRosa



Enjoying themselves on a Friday night and demonstrating peace, which is always carried with them, are two Holt citizens: Joy Lund and Joni Taylor. Hugging a community member who's dedicated to supporting Holt football is the mascot: Rooty the Ram. Photos by Leah Maier.



Showing that he has spirit for his community is a proud parent of one of the Holt Rams football players. People go as far as decorating their vehicles to show their dedication to the town. Photo by Kristine Levondosky

BOOM! Imagine being thrown into the middle of a battlefield: the whistle of bullets flying past your ear, the stench of your sweat as you bake in the scorching sun... As your heart beats faster and faster, you turn for comfort; but there is no one there. You think of the family and friends you left behind. Soon you realize you have a purpose. You are fighting for them; you are fighting for your country.

War seems to be the talk of the community. People have many

With Talk Of War by tandee ireland and jessica derosa A Community Stands Strong

different views that fall on both sides of the spectrum. Some people

believe we should go to war with Iraq to maintain our power.

Others believe we should step aside and worry about our own problems. "You should always try to avoid war in every situation,

but more people voted for President Bush so he has the right to

make that decision. But I think it is scary. I don't think our

generation has had to face that yet, and we'll be the ones affected

most if there's a draft of anything," said senior Keri Kosloski.

People continue to live their lives as normal, with the thought of

war in the back of their minds. Sporting events still get the same

support as usual when the community gathers to cheer on the Holt

Rams. Fears are left at home and strength is shown among all.

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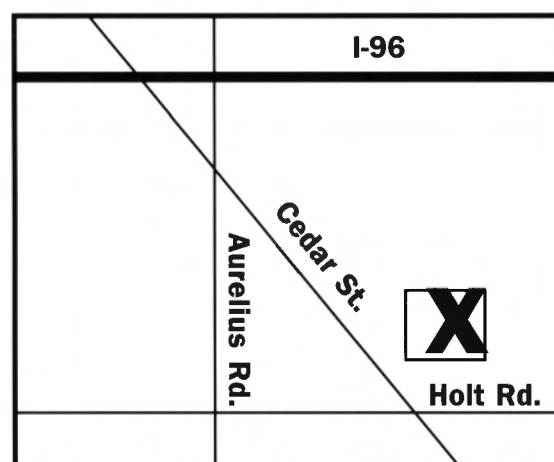
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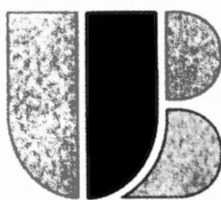
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proud of you and wish you a bright
future. We are behind you all the way.
We love you very much.
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to find the best in others;
to leave the world a little better,
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The Fueling Feud

Is It Worth It?

By Katie Ross & Raquel Llinas

Students from Holt High School are different in many ways, although they come together to agree on one belief.

That is, how outrageous gas prices can be. Recently, fueling has upset many of our friends and acquaintances because students have to pay for their own fuel. "I think they're too high and that the gas is taking advantage of us," junior John Major said. These are the types of comments you hear from students around our school. The question we all ask ourselves is: *is it worth it?* Students driving from farther distances have to deal with gas prices more than students who live closer. "I've thought about getting rides to school from my friends; it's a lot cheaper," admitted senior Mike Ward. The bad news is, this may be the only solution.

Junior Stephanie Gibbs pumps gas on her lunch break at the local Marathon gas station located here in Holt.
Photo by Raquel Llinas

Many of the Holt area residents are also disrupted by the outrageous fuel prices we are obligated to pay.
Photo by Raquel Llinas



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You have always made us proud. Remember to put GOD first in your life in whatever you do. You're a great son and brother with awesome values. We love you, Dad, Mom and Kadie



Lindsay,
We wish you the best in life and whatever you choose to do. We love you and wish you the best of luck. Love,
Mom, Dad and Jennifer



Becca,
You are a shining star! May you find as much happiness and joy in your life as you've given us over the years. We love you so much. Love,
Mom and Dad

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Julie,
You have made us very proud! May your
future bring everything you wish for.
Follow your dreams and great things
will happen.
Love, Mom, Dad and Alex



Morgan Bekah,
You are one of the greatest gifts I ever
received. Always remember to "dance".
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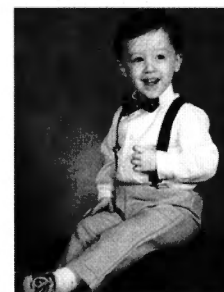
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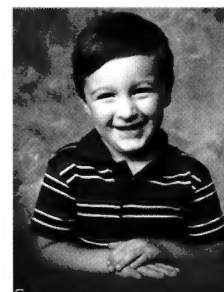
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Erin,
We are very proud of you and love you
very much. We are very proud of your
accomplishments. Keep reaching for
your goals.
Love, Mom & Dad



Matt, from the time you started
crawling, I knew you had an amazing
determination to succeed at whatever
you chose to do. I am so proud of the
young man you have become.
Love, Mom



Dear Stephen,
You are such a wonderful person with a
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Miss J,
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to a family of firstborns.
Thank you for waking us up -- 4ever!
Love, MJ Mom, Dad, Sarah and Scootch



Serena,
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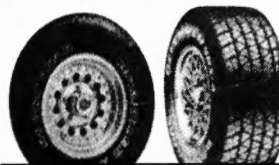


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Columbia

by Ben Berry & Kyle Kocsis

Reactions



On February 1, 2003, the space shuttle Columbia exploded while returning to earth, intending to land safely after completing a successful mission. All seven of the astronauts onboard the shuttle died, and among them was the first Israeli to go into space. The incident reminded many of past tragedies such as the Challenger explosion and the almost fatal Apollo 13 mission.

Sophomore Ryan Foorman thought that it was very sad and he hopes that in the future NASA will take better safety precautions. Just going on with his daily life, Foorman was shocked by the event. "I was just sitting home on my computer, regular day, same ol', same ol', and a special report came on CBS; I couldn't believe it."

Other students felt about the same way. "I never expected anything. I

thought that after watching *Apollo 13*, NASA had everything under control," said sophomore Andy Kirkpatrick. Kirkpatrick, among many others, was not aware that the shuttle Columbia was even in space before the accident. Kirkpatrick said that it's just like Apollo 13. "In the movie *Apollo 13*, before they had a problem the country didn't care. Their space TV program was cancelled and they said that nobody cared about going to the moon anymore. The people only cared when something was

going wrong"

Sophomore Ashley Duffy agreed with Kirkpatrick's take on the whole incident. She believes that the country should worry more about the safety of the astronauts on the next space mission.

Samual Hardy had a similar take on the situation. "They really shouldn't be sending a 22-year old shuttle into space. I thought that was a big mistake when I heard about it." Hardy heard the bad news while in the living room of his cabin. He, too, had not heard of the mission until the tragedy. Whether you knew or didn't know that the shuttle was in space until the tragedy took place, it no doubt still had an impact on you, just like it did on these students.

The next time you're watching cable or satellite or talking to your friends on the Internet, think about

the people who are working up in space so you can enjoy those luxuries that most Americans just take for granted.



Senior love NOTES



Alysha,
You are precious to us all. You have made us proud by becoming the person you are.
Love,
Mom, Dad and Cameron



Emily Stocker,
We are so proud of you! What a lovely young woman you've become! Always believe in yourself and always follow your dreams. We love you,
Mom, Dad, Joe, Jesse and Haley



Congratulations Joel,
We are really proud of you.
Love,
Dad, Mom and Allison

Senior

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We remember your little head fitting the palm of your own hand... You know the rest. We're very proud of the young woman you've become!

Love,
Mom, Dad & Nick



Dear Jessica,
Your smile has always been to precious to us. Good luck at State and with the rest of your life.

Love,
Mom, Dad & Ashley



Dear Darin,
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Shorty,
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up! Many great memories have been
made and there will be many more. The
world is there for you!
Love, Mom, Dad, Anthony and Anna



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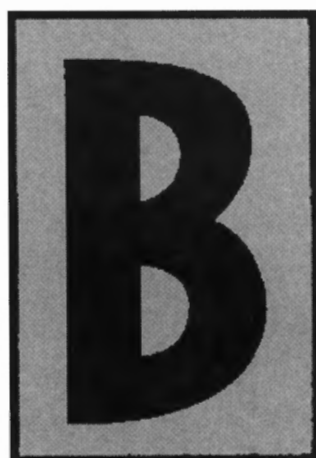
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Dear Leah,
We thank God for the blessing of you in our lives. "Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed." Love you forever...and then some!
Papa, Mom, Joel, James and Hannah



Kelly,
What a bright and beautiful and passionate young woman you've grown to be. We're so proud of the heart and honesty and hard work you bring to everything you do.
All our love,
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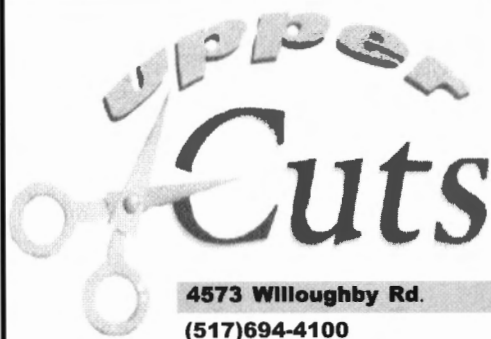
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Senior Scores

Soccer Scholarship

By Eve Ayala

Very few students from Holt receive athletic scholarships. Senior Megan Pipkens is one of those few: she was accepted to Indiana University. On February 7, 2003, many friends and staff members gathered in the library to congratulate Pipkens. She will be attending Indiana University on a full-ride scholarship for her amazing and breath-taking soccer abilities. Pipkens started playing at a very young age, in just first grade. She would always play with her older brothers, which helped improve her abilities and aggressiveness. "Soccer is the most physical woman's sport, plus, I like hitting people," joked Pipkens.

Besides high school soccer Pipkens is also involved in the Olympic Development Program (ODP). She was on the State team for five years, Regional team for two years, and the National team for one year. The ODP has her traveling all over the United States. Pipkens has been to six different states with this program. Her most recent trip was to Chula Vista, California, at the Olympic Training Center. While there, she was also scouted for the Olympics.

Pipkens made a speech in the library when she thanked her friends and family for all of their support through the years. Her parents have supported her with "money and going through the ups and downs of try-outs," according to Pipkens. Additionally, her friends have always given her encouragement and had confidence in her. Also supporting her in the library was the Holt Gymnastics team, including her coach. Traci Hamilton, friend and teammate on both the gymnastics and soccer teams, said that Pipkens is a good player because she focuses on soccer when it's

soccer time and helps teammates. "I get the red cleats!" said Hamilton in a message to Pipkens.

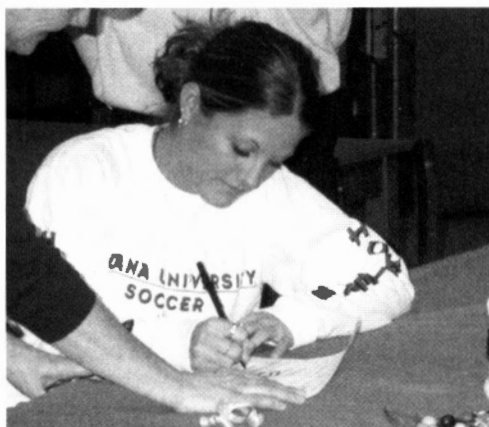
Although leaving her teammates, like Hamilton, to head to Indiana will be difficult, choosing the right college was definitely an important factor. Pipkens had narrowed it down to colleges where her friends and family could still come watch her play and visit her: that is very important to her. So, why Indiana? Pipkens replied, "In Indiana, everything just felt right."

Other Senior Scholars

Tommy Fellows Basketball at Grand Valley
Erin Hill Swimming at Wayne State
Anne Malatsky Basketball at Eastern Michigan

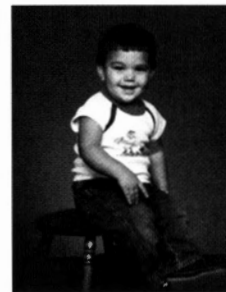


Nothing but smiles come from Pipkens as she gives her speech in the library of Holt High School when she signed with Indiana University.
 Photo by Eve Ayala



Signing the official papers, senior Megan Pipkens ties the knot to Indiana University. Photo by Eve Ayala

Senior love NOTES



Addam,
 Congratulations on a job well done. We are very proud of you, keep up the good work in everything you do.
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, B.J. and Eve



Kristen,
 Congratulations! You have worked hard. We are so very proud and love you very much. We know you will continue to lean on God for direction and strength.
 Love, Mom, Dad, and Lindsey



Sweet little Jenny,
 I never did think, when you were a doll dressed in bonnet and pink, that someday a grown-up young woman, I'd see
 and filled with joy and pride I would be!
 Love, Mom

Senior love NOTES



Racquel,
It seems like just yesterday when you arrived. All the memories of your childhood years we cherish. Now, a young woman, you graduate.
With all our love, Mom, Dad and Grant



Liz, from a kindergartner to a senior, you always looked so cute.
Now that you're a graduate, it's time to make some loot.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Elina, Emily & QueQue



Congratulations Justin!
We've always been inspired by your level of faith in God. As you said when you were five years old, "We walk by faith, not by sight."
Love,
Mom and Dad

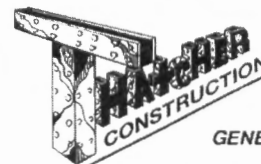


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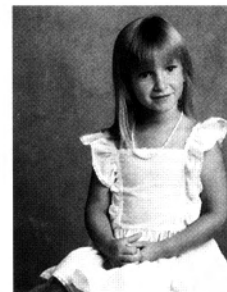
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Dearest Holly Dolly,
You're our sweet little girl who runs
everywhere. Your sparkling green eyes,
smile, and fire for life enriches us all.
Thank you, God, for our Pooder.
Love, Mom, Dad, Meghan, & Samantha



Sara,
From infancy to adulthood: what a
journey. I am so proud of the beautiful
young lady you've become. Life is an
adventure, so remember: *Que Sara Sara*.
Love, Mom



Krista,
We've always enjoyed seeing your smile
on stage and off. Follow your dreams.
Love,
Mom & Jay

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Emily Wise,
Watching you grow from that little girl
into such an amazing young woman.
We are so proud of you, Em!
Butterfly Kisses!
Love, Mom and Dad



Alexis,
Stay focused! Plan your work and work
your plan to reach your goals. Use your
God-given abilities and stay motivated.
Reach for the stars.
Love, Mom and Dad



Leslie Cleveland,
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Matthew 6:33 be your guide, then you'll
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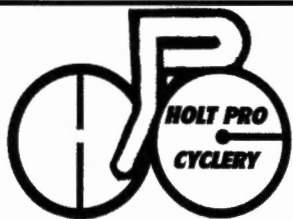
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Mike, take your time; don't live too fast.
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your heart and nothing else. Be a simple
kind of man.
Love, Mom, Dad, and Mandy



Jennifer,
We love you and are really proud of
you. You have a great future ahead
of you.
Love,
Dad and Mom



Rachelle,
To a very special daughter. We are proud
of your hard work in school and all you
have accomplished. May your future hold
as much happiness for you as you have
brought to us. We love you.
Mom and Dad (Hershey, too!)

Senior

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Staci,
We are proud of you and your accomplishments.
Remember: always believe in yourself and
whatever you do. We love you very much.
Love you,
Mom and Dad



Dear Ben,
You are a sweet song in our lives. We're proud
of you.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Katherine and Anna



Dear Jennifer,
Finally, the big day is near. Seems like
yesterday you were just going to kindergarten.
So hats off to your big day and enjoy
every moment.
Love,
Mom and Doug

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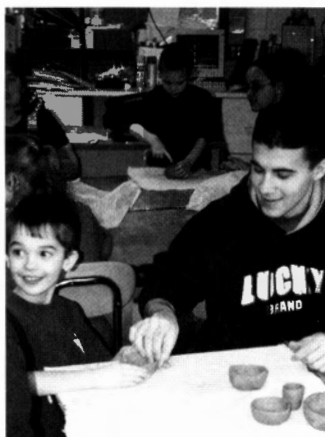
A kindergartener from Jay Strong's class looks for approval from his new friend, sophomore Tom Dickerson. Along with the rest of his classmates, this is Fred Cruz's first year attending Art Days. Photo by Shawn Jackson



Senior Cliff Kusmierz, helps a kindergartener make a bowl in ceramic class.

Dustin McKimmy is excited to bring home his art work to his mother.

Photo by Shawn Jackson



Excited to show off his work of art, Jacob Dittmer, from Dave Hornak's kindergarten class holds up his hands to prove that nothing good ever comes without a little hard work, or in his case, some messy work.

Photo by Shawn Jackson

forget play-doh, finger painting, and legos...the kids from Sycamore Elementary are moving on up

with the big kids of Holt High School. Each year Sycamore students walk over to the high school to show off their artistic abilities.

But Art Day is more than just letting high school students teach the elementary kids how to work with art, the kids themselves are teaching the high schoolers. "I like having the kids come. It's like kids teaching kids," explained art teacher Kathleen Grant.

Many of the high school students enjoy the kids coming, as junior Kacey Millard described, "I like having the kids come, and I don't get nervous at all. They make me feel like a kid again."

Others, like senior Chris Johnson, said that "I only get nervous around the kids when they get to use the sharp tools." Sycamore students are very enthusiastic about creating whatever their imaginations can conjure up with the "big kids." "I like coming over to play with the big kids; it's fun," commented kindergartener AJ Adring of Jay Strong's classroom.

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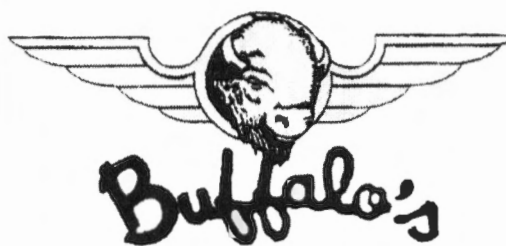
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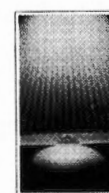
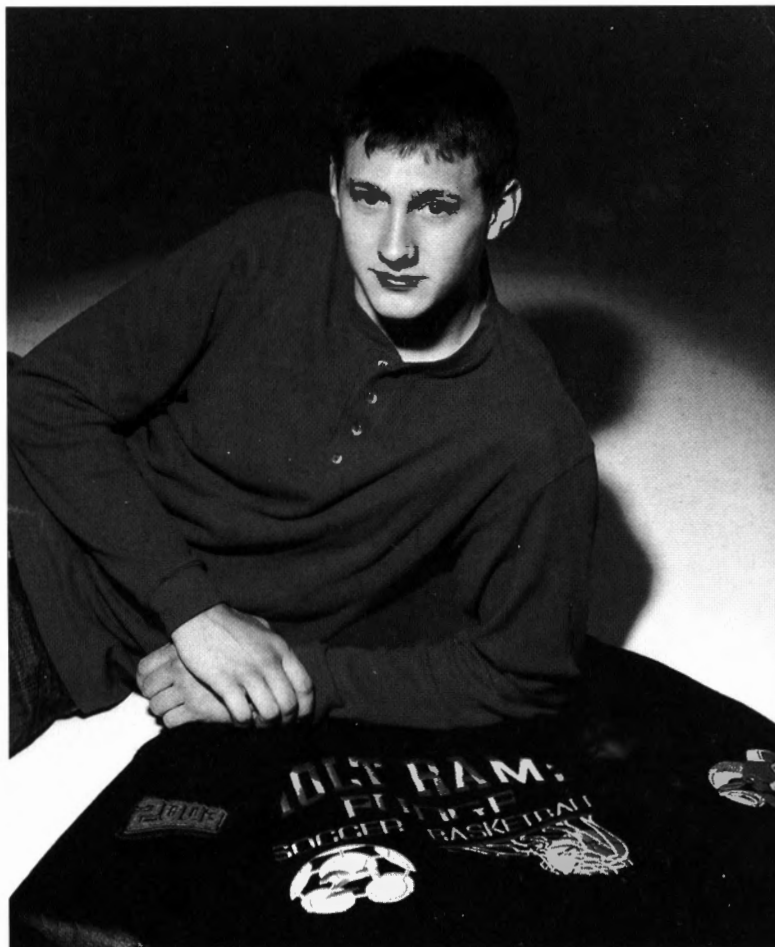
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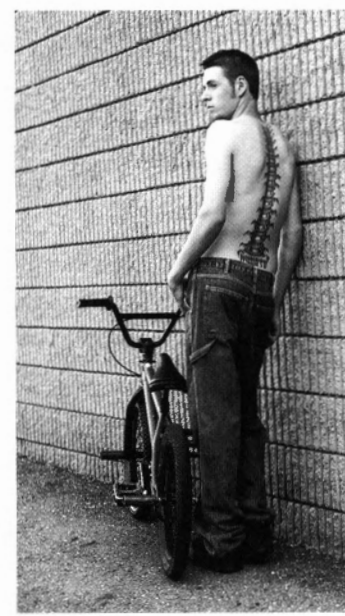
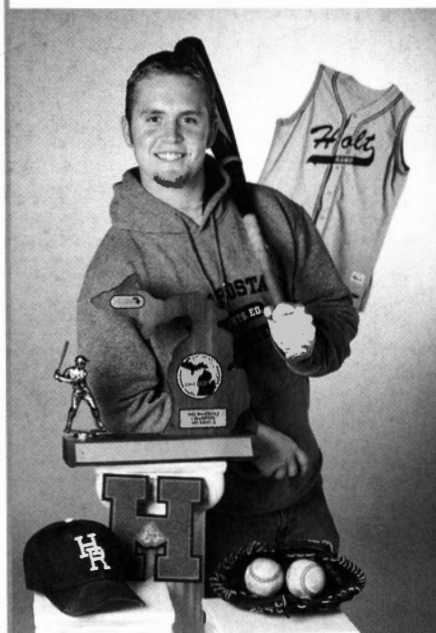
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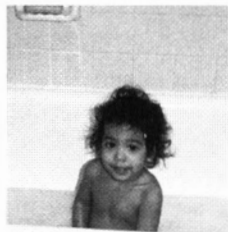
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Kate,
We're so very proud of you and all
you've accomplished. Your future is bright
and the journey ahead will be exciting.
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Crazy Class

by Jennifer Cooke

You put 5 months, 10 returning staffers, 16 new ones, a third year advisor, and ten computers all in one room and your bound to run into some craziness. With deadlines popping up one after another we didnt know if we could pull it off. But it happened for the second year in a row! A spring delivery. It wouldnt have been possible without the help of a few important people...

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Our Story: This year things were going according to schedule thanks to pre-theme planning over the summer. (Those were great trips to Beaners!) With our original idea for theme being *Moving On*, we were nervously excited about sharing our ideas with the rest of the staff. As we began putting in the hard work, we realized the theme was just not what we wanted to show about our school. That and the many disagreements about it being too cliched and used throughout other books, and that is not how we want to be remembered. When adviser Christine Beno finally managed to go home after the many late night hours spent in G6, she was in the place she seems to get all her great ideas... the shower. She began thinking about how there have been many changes and how the school was getting ready for the process of moving, not just to the new school but everyone moving on with their lives. Running the idea of *Overtime* by her devoted staff, they gladly obliged to the new found theme, ready to start putting in their own overtime on the book. After the first deadline, we thought it was smooth sailing from then on. Not up until the last deadline did we want to quit. We had to because we ran out of room. *See.*

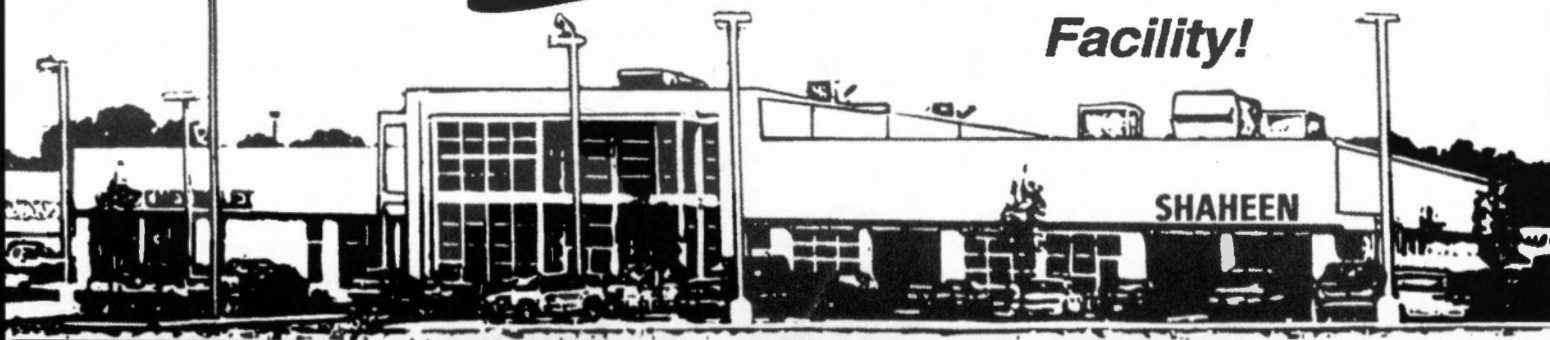


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CAPTIONS FROM TOP TO BOTTOM:

Answering to one of the many "Ms. Beno!"s, yearbook adviser **Christine Beno** takes a moment from helping one student to help another. ■ **Trying to stay sane** throughout one of the hardest deadlines of the year, editor in chief **Jennifer Cooke** works diligently on her page. "Cookie," who has been in the class for three years now, enjoys helping fellow staffers during their time of need. ■ **Using the Ramparts newspaper** for information for her page, senior **Cortney Duval** reads the paper during class. ■ **While taking picture** of the class, senior **Jennifer Cooke** sneaks up on fellow staffer **Tandee Ireland**. "The reason for me being on staff was so I wouldn't have to be in the yearbook," stated Ireland. ■ **Researching for one** of their many pages, seniors **Shawn Jackson** and **Anna Martinez** get away from the craziness of the rest of the class in the library. ■ **Being a little zany** during fourth hour is common for staffers like **Ashley Loveall** and **Gia Parker**. "Sometimes you just have to be a little INSANE to get through this class," said Loveall. ■ **Taking her first trip** out in to the world as a staffer, junior **Raquel Llinas** eats good soup at Findleys. ■ **Eating pizza** is part of the job on deadline days, especially if you want to keep going like sophomore **Dani Dimmitt**. "Even though its really greasy; it's really yummy," Dimmitt said.

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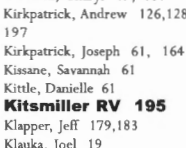
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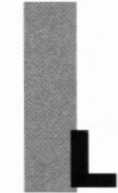
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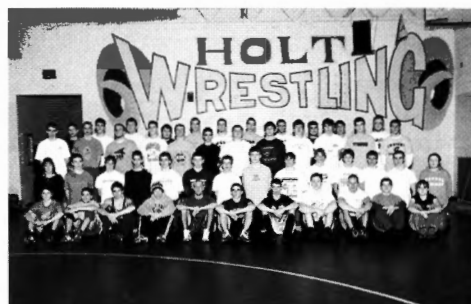
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Using props for photography can be fun, especially when the results give you a masterpiece. Seniors **Kristine Levondoski** and **David Dionise** play with clay used in past photos. Photo by Jennifer Cooke



This year intern **Joy Durdin** helps out adviser **Christine Beno** as time winds down. "Seeing how much stress she (Beno) gets put under, I do whatever I can to help her out." Photo by Christine Beno

Carefully editing her page, senior **Kelly Briggs** hopes not to miss any mistakes. Briggs, who is a newcomer this year, finds that editing really does help in the end. "You don't realize the mistakes that are made until you go over it again and again." Photo by Rampages Staff



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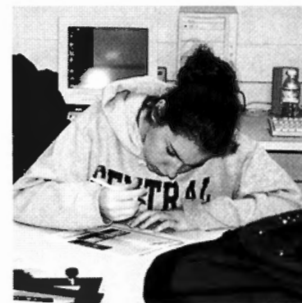
Senior Leah Maier models for the camera to use up film. "It kind of sucks not being able to be in the yearbook as much now that I'm on staff, but its worth it," Maier comments.

In spite of hair-pulling crazy deadlines, seniors **Danielle Burt** and **Jenny Christensen** stop "to smell the roses in the D-Commons courtyard.

Photos by Jennifer Cooke



Much stress comes from writing, especially when time is running out. Senior **Jennie Andrews** takes her time and thoughtfully creates an award winning copy. *Photo by Jennifer Cooke*



Dressed in the staff uniform, press pass and camera bag, senior **Keri Kosloski** reports to duty. "Having a pass gives you a lot of freedom and it's cool how teachers put trust in you." reports Kosloski. *Photo by Rampages staff*

Enjoying a break during another hectic deadline, sophomore Ben Berry and juniors Eve Ayala, Beth Keyes, and Raquel Llinas are grateful for the pizza provided by Fat Boys. *Photo by Jennifer Cooke*

When it's time to interview, teachers can have very different reactions to classroom interruptions. **Dan Knechtel** jokingly confronts senior **Jessica DeRosa** when she tries to interview a student in his class. "Sometimes its nerve wrecking when you need somebody and the teacher says no," DeRosa commented. *Photo by Jennifer Cooke*

Students have learned a lot this year by working overtime: that if they are willing to work hard enough anything can be accomplished. They help each other and the community, while always looking towards the future and preparing for life after high school.

This year has been full of accomplishments: in athletics, the football team captured the regional championship, the womens tennis team went to states, both mens and womens swimming took the CAC championship, and the wrestling team sent three wrestlers to state competition. The students have also

Firsts and Finales

by Jennie Andrews

given lots back to the community: students raised 1,000 dollars for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society during homecoming week, the spanish class made piñatas for children in the hospital, and NHS got the whole student body involved with the Red Cross blood drive.

This year's seniors will be the final class to graduate from the current high school, and there were many memorable finales throughout the year. The football team played their last game on Troost Field, the swimmers swam for the last time in the pool, and Georganne Withey taught her last English class in B7. Everything eventually ends, but next year holds many new beginnings.

Solving a tough math problem, seniors **Sarah Darley** and **Holly Werner** work together to finish the assignment. "I decided to take classes that balanced each other this year, so that I was never overwhelmed," said Darley.

Taking her first walk across the field, sophomore **Tracy Schruaben** experiences homecoming in a new way. "I was honored that people thought that highly of me," said Schruaben.

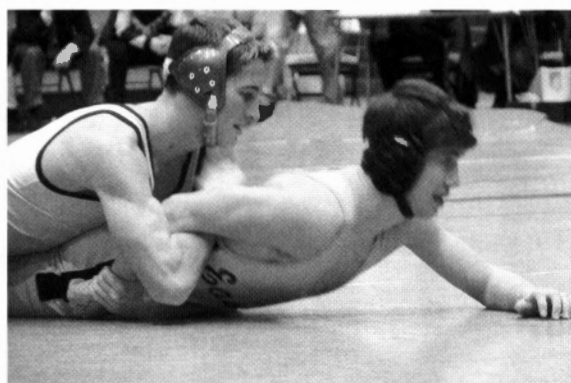
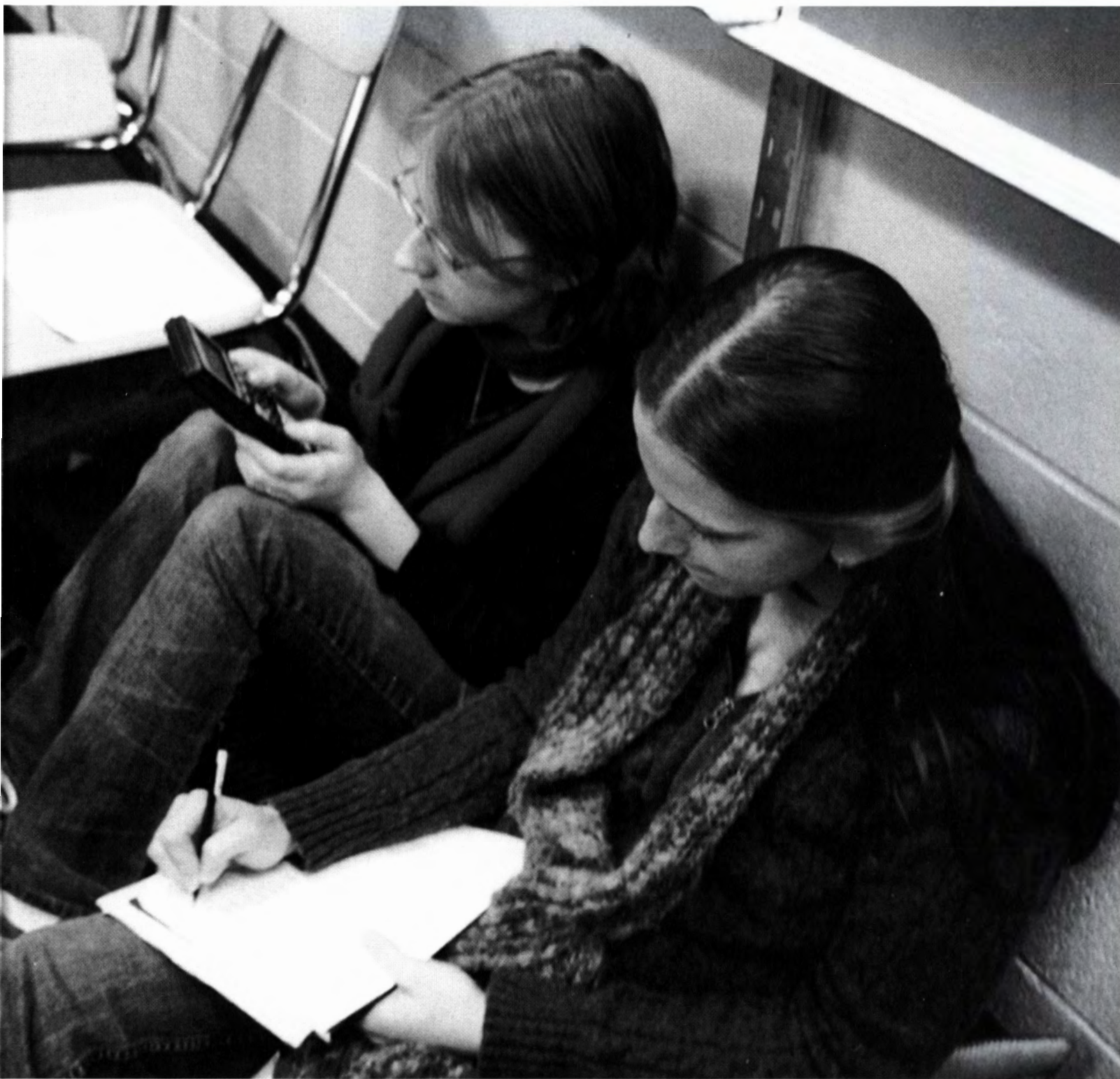


Spending the night at school: senior student council members, **Julie Freeman**, **Krista Bollert**, **Robi Bare**, **Sara Durkee**, **Holly Nelson**, **Sarah Appold**, **Racquel Ankney**, and **Tiffany Twitchell** made beds on the floor at school for the annual student council overnight. "It was the first time I ever went to the overnight, and I had a lot of fun," said Bollert.



Getting started: during one of the first meetings on the Girls Lacrosse club, athletic director **Rick Schmidt** explains to the interested girls how the club would run.

Giving to the kids, seniors **Patricia Carslake**, **Joe Powell**, and **Beth Mickle** work on their piñata during Spanish. "I like giving the piñatas to the kids because I know they will appreciate them," said Mickle.



Junior Troy Albert wrestled his way into the state championship meet.

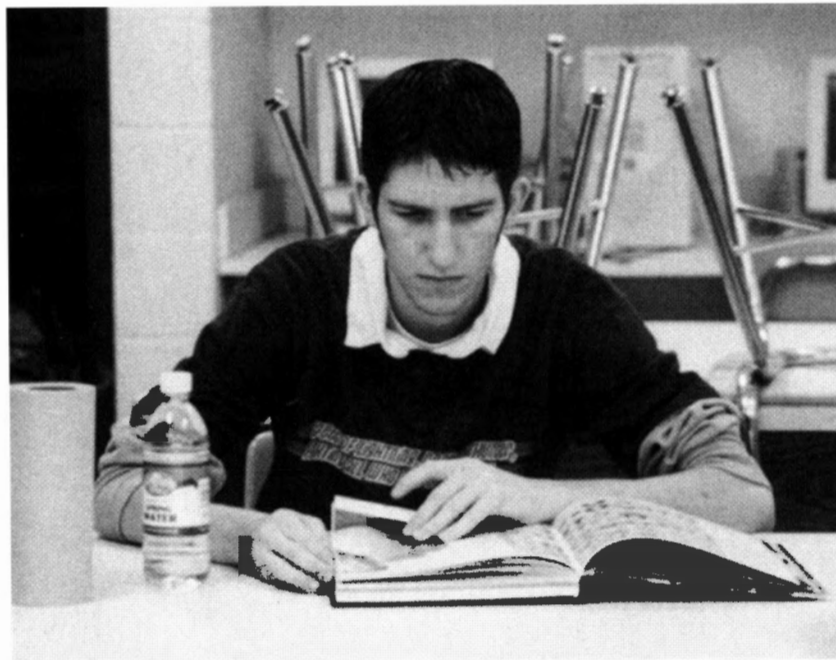


Let's Go Holt! Senior **Joe Becsey** cheers on the basketball team as one of the first male cheerleaders. "I'd like to think I paved the way for future male cheerleaders," said Becsey.

A Year of MEMORIES

by Jennie Andrews

Late nights, early mornings, lots of Beaners, and new friendships



Cropping pictures for her page, senior **Cortney Duval** works hard the night of a deadline. Most staff members get a little stressed trying to pull everything together at the last minute.

"Cortney was always such a perfectionist that she'd stay for hours past everyone else had left on a deadline night," said adviser **Christine Beno**. Photo by **Shawn Jackson**

To get new ideas, senior **Shawn Jackson** looks through old yearbooks. Jackson added a lot to the staff with his awesome picture taking ability and his knowledge of Photoshop. Photo by **Cortney Duval**



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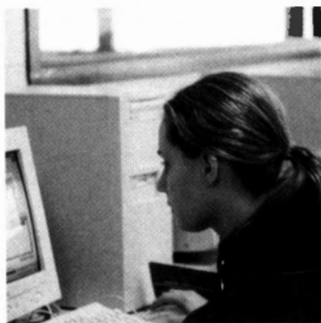
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| Most likely to own her own Beaners | Ashley Loveall |
| Most likely to adopt a new staff member | Katie Ross |
| Most creative | Beth Keyes |
| Most likely to stay at school till 7 p.m. on deadline nights | Jennifer Cooke |
| Most likely to be mean to sophomores | Jennie Andrews |
| Class flirt | Cortney Duval |
| Most likely to be late | David Dionise |
| Most opinionated | Dani Dimmit |
| Most likely to be related to everyone in Holt | Danielle Burt |
| Best sense of humor | Gia Parker |
| Most likely to do a profile on someone who switched schools | Eve Ayala |
| Most likely to have high-tech toys | Ben Berry |
| Most likely to sell the most ads | Leah Maier and Kristine Levondosky |
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| Most likely to have Ms. Beno owe her money | Keri Kosloski |
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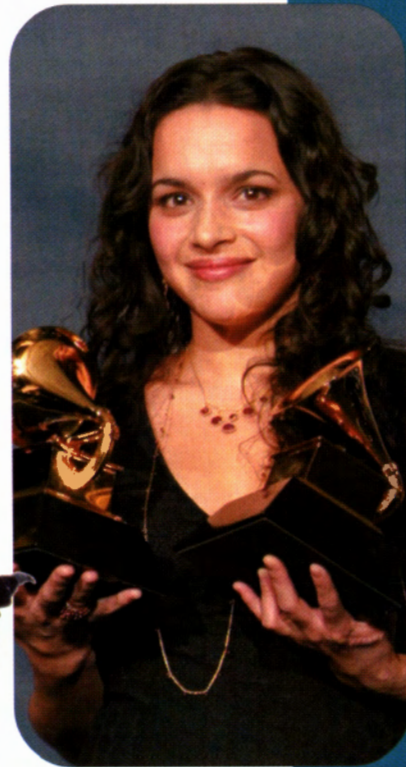
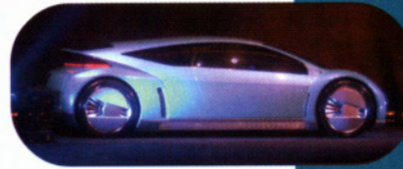
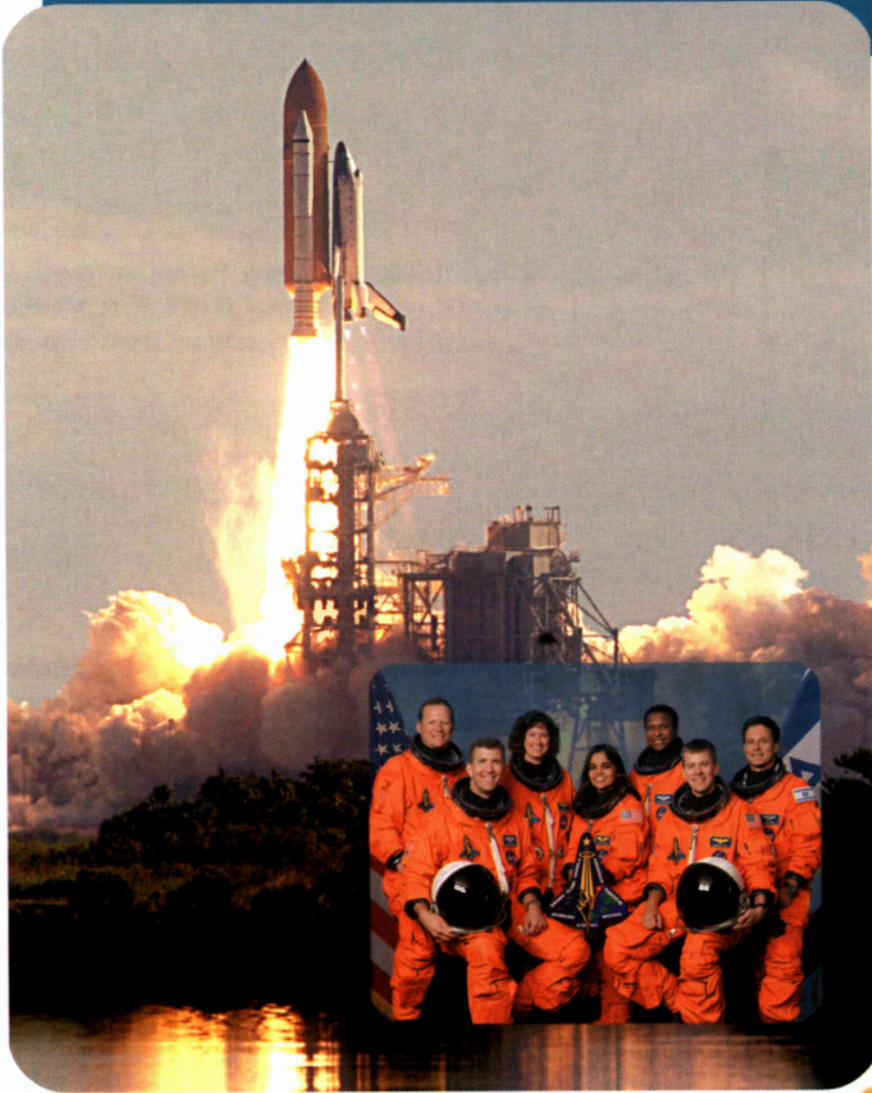
The yearbook staff poses for one final picture, "The yearbook staff has really come together. There have been a lot of leaders that have emerged this year," said yearbook adviser **Christine Beno**. Photo by **Jessica Schouten**

Advice from THE SENIORS

My advice would be to not over-abuse the privilege of the press pass, make deadlines, and make sure Ms. Beno always has coffee in the morning.
~**Keri Kosloski**



Stay focused, and don't wait till the last minute to get information for your page.
~**Kristine Levondosky**



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Upon re-entry into Earth's atmosphere, NASA's space shuttle Columbia loses contact with Mission Control in Houston and breaks apart in the skies over Texas. A crew of seven astronauts, including the first Israeli in space, perished.



Bahamian oil tanker "Prestige," carrying 20 million gallons of oil, sinks off the coast of Spain. Nearly 2.6 million gallons of oil polluted the coast.



Because of improper accounting and a debt load of \$41 billion, WorldCom files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, the largest in U.S. history.



Police Chief Charles Moose arrests two snipers that terrorized the Washington, D.C. area.

WORLD EVENTS



Rep. Nancy Pelosi becomes the first woman party leader in the House or Senate.



FBI agent Robert Hanssen receives life without parole for selling secrets to Russia.



Minnesota's Democratic Sen. Paul Wellstone is killed in a plane crash.



An earthquake measuring 7.8 magnitude rocks Colima, Mexico. Iran and Italy experienced major quakes measuring 6.3 and 5.9.



A \$4 billion annual loss causes US Airways to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.



Hewlett-Packard and Compaq merge to create an \$87 billion global technology company.



AOL Time Warner's \$54.2 billion quarterly loss is the largest in U.S. history.



U.S. President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin sign an historic arms treaty calling for a two-thirds reduction of nuclear warheads.



Rilya Wilson is missing for 13 months before Florida's child welfare realizes it.



Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter is awarded the 2002 Nobel Peace Prize.



Luke John Helder is arrested for planting 18 pipe bombs in mailboxes.



Nine miners are rescued from a flooded Pennsylvania coal mine after being trapped for more than three days. The entrapment occurred after the miners accidentally broke through to an adjacent, abandoned mine containing more than 50 million gallons of water.



Torrential rainfalls cause major flooding in Prague, Beijing and Lucknow, India.



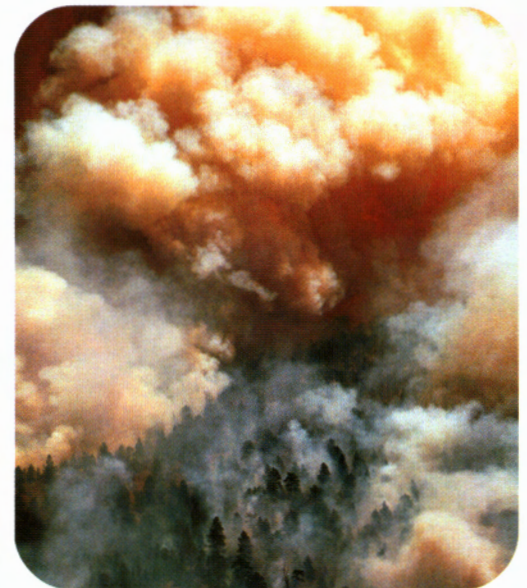
UCLA doctors separate Guatemalan conjoined twins in a landmark surgery that lasts more than 24 hours. The twins returned home after a five-month recovery.



The new architectural design for the World Trade Center site features a memorial to the Sept. 11 victims and a 1,776 foot tower, making it the world's tallest building.



Chechen rebels hold 800 people hostage in a Moscow theater. More than 100 died after inhaling gas used to end the siege.



Longtime Forest Service employee Terry Barton is charged with setting the largest fire in Colorado's history.



Athina Onassis Roussel inherits \$1 billion on her 18th birthday.



Actor Robert Blake is arrested for the murder of his wife.



Elizabeth Smart is nabbed at gunpoint from her Salt Lake City home.



Bill Gates testifies for the first time in Microsoft's four-year antitrust trial.



The remains of intern Chandra Levy are found in a Washington, D.C. park.



McDonald's posts the first-ever quarterly loss in its 47-year history.



Germany's unemployment rate rises to a five-year high of 4.623 million.



A four-winged Microraptor fossil is found in China.



More than 120 people perish in a South Korean subway fire.



England celebrates Queen Elizabeth's 50 year reign with an unprecedented Golden Jubilee. The month-long festivities included parades, parties, concerts, exhibits and more.



The credibility of the Catholic Church is severely threatened by allegations that church officials covered up molestations by current and former priests.

OTHER NEWS

- FBI Lawyer Coleen Rowley disclosed to Congress that the FBI disregarded information that could have prevented the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States.
- A Chicago nightclub stampede left 21 people dead.
- A piece of the World Trade Center was buried at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, in honor of the Sept. 11 anniversary.
- Fifty-six beached pilot whales died at Chapin Beach, MA.
- Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel was convicted of the 1975 murder of Martha Moxley.
- A band's pyrotechnics ignited a Rhode Island nightclub fire that killed more than 90 people.
- R.J. Reynolds was fined \$20 million for targeting cigarette ads at teens.
- U.S. wildfires burned more than 1.5 million acres in 2002.
- Former Klansman Bobby Frank Cherry was convicted of the 1963 Alabama church bombing that killed four girls.
- Florida's Pembroke Pines Charter Middle School was the only middle school in the world to have an experiment aboard Shuttle Columbia.



President Bush names Tom Ridge the Department of Homeland Security Adviser. The new department is intended to analyze threats and guard U.S. borders, airports, and infrastructure. It will also coordinate responses to national emergencies.



Hundreds of suspected and known terrorists are arrested worldwide. The Guantanamo Bay U.S. Naval Station in Cuba held more than 500 al-Qaeda and Taliban prisoners.

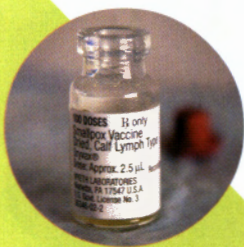


The Transportation Security Administration coordinates airport security measures including checked baggage screening, strict security checkpoints and random searches.

THE WAR ON TERRORISM

Over the course of the year, the world's attention focused on a chain of tumultuous terrorist events. In Afghanistan, the Taliban regime fell from power as U.S. troops crippled the al-Qaeda network and cleared caves in search of Osama bin Laden. World-wide, civilians and military personnel fell victim to terrorist bombs and acts of hatred. On the home front, "bioterrorism" became a common term after it was revealed that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was producing biological weapons. Hussein's defiance of United Nation's imposed sanctions prompted the United States to

seek world support of military action against Iraq. Members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization wrestled over conflicting opinions on the issue, while North Korean leader Kim Jong Il threatened to deploy nuclear weapons if Iraq was attacked. As tensions rose among political leaders, the world watched and waited to see what the next chapter in "The War on Terrorism" would bring.



One million emergency and military personnel receive Smallpox vaccinations.



World-wide, terrorist linked bank accounts are frozen indefinitely.



In Afghanistan, troops overtake the Taliban regime and dismantle the al-Qaeda network. More than 156,000 U.S. troops are deployed to Kuwait in case of a war with Iraq.



World economies cringe as oil prices rise because of threats of war.



Al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden evades U.S. troops in Afghanistan.



Iraq's Saddam Hussein is uncooperative with U.N. weapons inspectors.



In response to a barrage of suicide bombings, Israeli troops invade Palestinian Yasser Arafat's Ramallah compound. Arafat is thought to have supported terrorist groups.



North Korea's Kim Jong Il threatens deployment of Korea's nuclear weapons.



Anti-war marches across America and around the world are attended by thousands hoping for peace.



U.S. President George W. Bush urges the United Nations to impose military action on Iraq in response to Saddam Hussein's defiance of U.N. imposed disarmament resolutions.

OTHER EVENTS

- Top al-Qaeda operative Qaed Salim Sinan al-Harethi was killed during a U.S. missile strike in Yemen.
- Al-Qaeda military leader and alleged Sept. 11 mastermind, Khalili Shaikh Mohammed, was arrested in Pakistan.
- Richard Reid pled guilty to charges that accused him of trying to smuggle explosives concealed in his shoes aboard an airplane.
- "Dirty Bomber" Abdullah al Muhajir was detained after evidence indicated he was plotting to detonate a radiological weapon.
- Malaysia, Kenya and the Philippines were hit by terrorist bombs.



Denzel Washington and Halle Berry win Oscars for Best Actor and Best Actress in 2002. Washington made his directorial debut with "Antwon Fisher" while Berry followed up as a "Die Another Day" Bond Girl.

TV & MOVIES



"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" earns more than \$240 million.



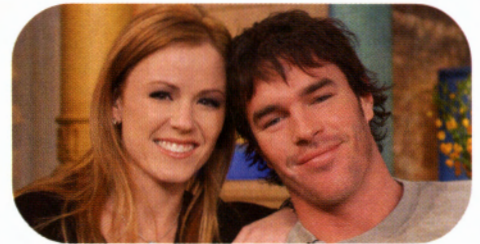
Leonardo DiCaprio shines in "Gangs of New York" and "Catch Me if You Can."



Actor Tom Hanks receives the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Golden Globe Awards.



"Friends" wins its first Emmy for Best Comedy Series. Star Jennifer Aniston collects Golden Globe, Emmy and People's Choice awards for her role as Rachel.



Reality shows such as "The Bachelorette," "The Bachelor," "Joe Millionaire," "Survivor" and "Fear Factor" sweep the nation.



Kelly Clarkson beats out Justin Guarini to win her own record deal and become the first "American Idol."



George Lucas's "Star Wars: Episode Two - Attack of the Clones" earns \$310 million, making it 2002's No. 2 box office hit.



Creator of "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," Fred Rogers, dies at 74.



TV's "The Simpsons" airs its 300th episode during its fourteenth season.



"The Bernie Mac Show" is one of Fox's new critically acclaimed comedies.



"The Osbournes" are America's favorite heavy metal family.



Hollywood's hottest couple, Jennifer Lopez and "Daredevil" star Ben Affleck announce their engagement.



"Spider-man" celebrates his 40th birthday in 2002. Actor Tobey McGuire personified "Spidey" in the year's No. 1 box office hit that earned a record \$39.4 million on opening day.



Academy Award nominated "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" becomes the largest grossing romantic comedy of all time.



"Alias" star Jennifer Garner appears on the big screen in "Daredevil" and "Catch Me if You Can."

OTHER NEWS in TV & MOVIES

- History was made in 2002 when box office totals exceeded \$9 billion and more tickets were sold than in any year since the 1950s.
- Oprah Winfrey received the first-ever Bob Hope Humanitarian Award.
- Musical hit "Chicago" was nominated for 13 Academy Awards.
- Other hot TV shows: "Everybody Loves Raymond," "The George Lopez Show," "CSI" & "CSI: Miami," "My Wife and Kids," "Everwood," "Smallville," "Scrubs," "The Practice," "Six Feet Under," "24," "The Sopranos" and "Boston Public."
- Other hot movies: "Signs," "Lord of the Rings: the Fellowship of the Ring," "Unfaithful," "8 Mile," "Barbershop," "Sweet Home Alabama," "The Hours" and "XXX."
- Entertainers Milton Berle, James Coburn, Richard Harris, Dudley Moore and Richard Crenna died this year.



The Dixie Chicks win Favorite Album and Favorite Band, Group or Duo, Country, at the American Music Awards. They also won three Grammys including Best Country Album for "Home."



No Doubt wins the MTV Best Pop Video Award for "Hey Baby" and a Grammy for Best Pop Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal. They also performed at the Superbowl XXXVII halftime show.

MUSIC



"Where Were You (When The World Stopped Turning)" by Alan Jackson pays tribute to September 11, 2001.



Run-DMC's "Jam Master Jay" dies after being gunned down in October.



Michelle Branch records "The Spirit Room" featuring "Everywhere." She also won a Grammy for "The Game of Love" with Carlos Santana.



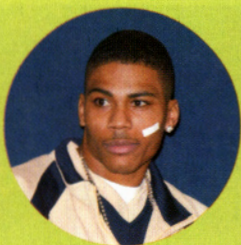
Creed wins Favorite Band, Pop/Rock and Favorite Artist, Alternative at the American Music Awards. Their album "Weathered" went platinum six times and featured "My Sacrifice."



Trey Anastasio reunites with Phish after an extended hiatus.



Favorite New Artist is awarded to Ashanti at the American Music Awards.



Nelly releases "Nellyville" featuring songs "Dilemma" and "Hot In Herre."



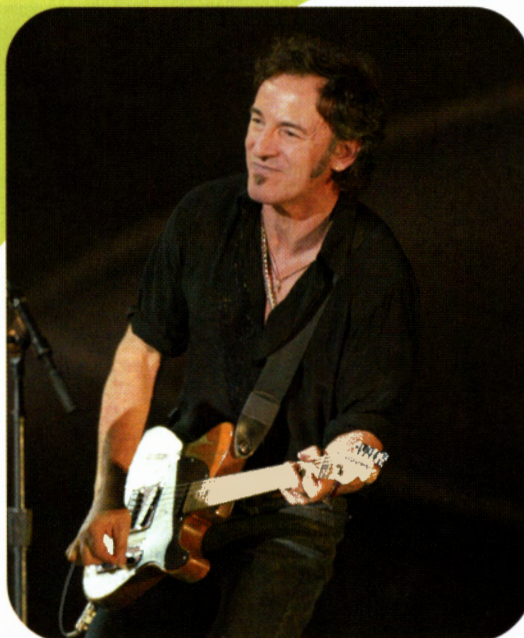
Avril Lavigne debuts "Let Go" featuring "Sk8er Boi" and "Complicated."



Eminem stars in "8 Mile" and releases a new album "The Eminem Show."



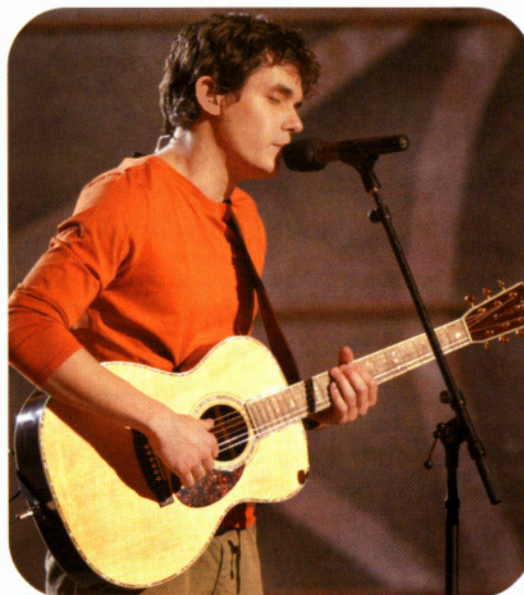
Lisa "Left Eye" Lopez, member of R&B trio TLC, dies in a car accident.



Bruce Springsteen and The E Street Band tour the United States and Europe following the release of their album "The Rising" which wins Best Rock Album at the Grammys.



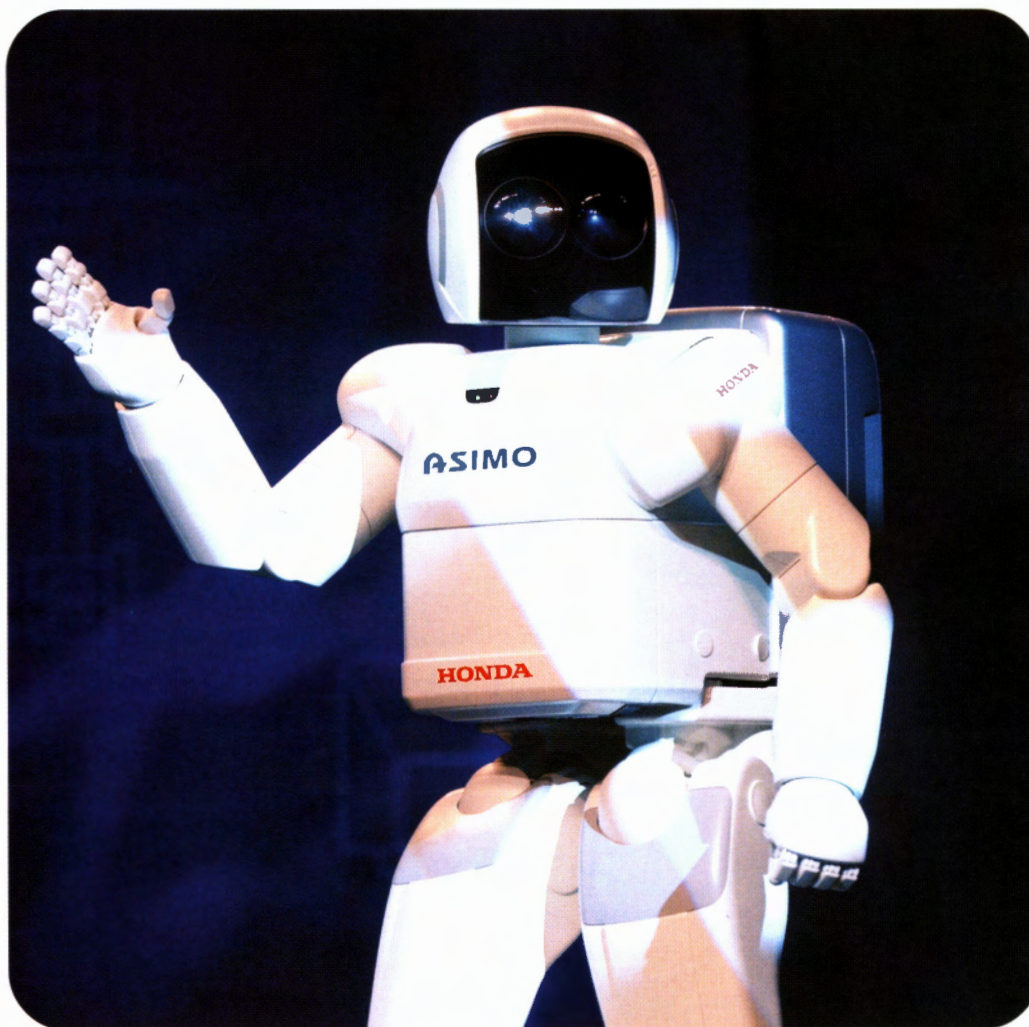
Norah Jones is Best New Artist and wins two Grammys for her album "Come Away With Me." She also took home two Grammys for the song "Don't Know Why."



John Mayer wins the Best Male Pop Vocal Performance Grammy for "Your Body Is A Wonderland."

OTHER NEWS in MUSIC

- Sheryl Crow released her new record "C'mon C'mon" and won a Grammy for "Steve McQueen." She also teamed up with Kid Rock for the single "Picture."
- "Spider-man" won Favorite Soundtrack at the American Music Awards.
- Britney Spears won Best Pop Vocal Album at the American Music Awards for her self-titled album.
- Justin Timberlake launched his solo career with the album "Justified."
- Rosemary Clooney died at 74 of cancer.
- Other names in music this year include Tim McGraw, Usher, Pink, Vanessa Carlton, Eve, Shania Twain and J.Lo.



Honda designs a four-foot robot, Asimo, that knows how to walk, climb stairs, recognize voices and understand human gestures and movement. The robot operated within the human living environment, connected to the internet and provided news and weather updates.



Digital camcorders, DVDs and digital media receivers are hot buys.



The technology industry introduces the handheld computer.

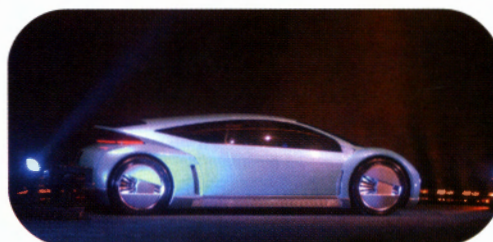


Cell phones connect to the internet, send e-mails and take pictures.

TRENDS & TECHNOLOGY



Yoga is a popular exercise for the mind, body and soul.



Honda and Toyota introduce hybrid cars. Gas engines and electric motors powered these environmentally advanced and fuel-efficient vehicles.



Pepsi Twist, Vanilla Coke, Jakada Coffee Latte and Red Bull are trendy drinks.



European-style sneakers and shoes are a popular look this year.



Nokia introduces "N-Gage," a video game console combined with a mobile phone. N-Gage played MP3 files, had multiplayer capabilities and could send e-mail and text messages.



Credit cards take on a new look with the Discover 260 Card.



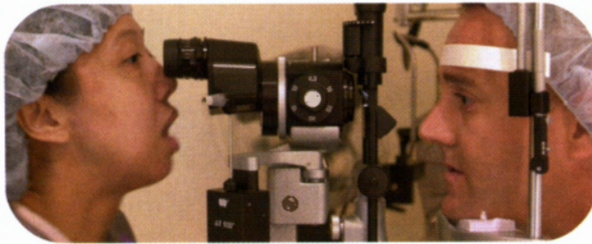
GPS (Global Positioning System) is a satellite-aided tracking system.



Actors from the film "L.A. D.J." model fashion fads. Low-rise jeans, tank tops, wide belts, cargo pants, rugby shirts, 70's style clothing and terry cloth sweat suits were also popular.



Kelly Rowland is stylin' with extreme color highlights in her hair.



Advancements in laser technology give surgeons the ability to reshape the eye to reduce or eliminate the need for contact lenses and glasses.

OTHER NEWS in TRENDS & TECHNOLOGY

- TiVo, a digital video recorder, allowed viewers to record their favorite shows without tapes or timers. It also had the ability to pause, rewind or replay live TV.
- The price of a 42-inch plasma television dropped to \$6,000. The gas-based displays were as thin as four inches.
- Nintendo released the limited edition Platinum Game Boy Advance priced at \$79.95. They also unveiled a new video game console, GameCube, which sold for \$199.95.
- Scientists turned to desktop printers in an effort to produce three-dimensional tubes of living tissue. Many laboratories were printing arrays of DNA, proteins and cells.
- Segway introduced the first "Human Transporter." The upright, personal transportation device was designed to operate in any pedestrian environment and retailed at \$4,950.
- The Packbot was recruited by the U.S. Army to help fight the war against terrorism. The robot transmitted images from inside caves, letting troops know if it was safe to proceed.

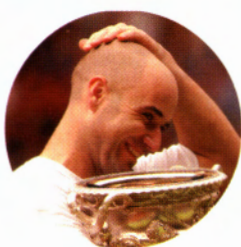


The Anaheim Angels celebrate their first World Series championship. They beat the San Francisco Giants in a seven-game series.



The University of Maryland claims the 2002 NCAA College Basketball Championship.

SPORTS



Andre Agassi wins his fourth Australian Open.



Michael Waltrip takes the flag at a rain-shortened Daytona 500. This was his second Daytona victory.



Brazil defeats Germany 2-0 in the first FIFA World Cup to be held in Asia.



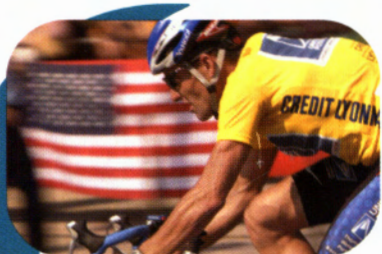
Serena Williams becomes the fifth woman in history to hold all four Grand Slam tennis titles at once.



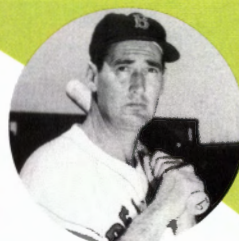
The PGA's money leaders for 2002 are Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Vijay Singh.



The University of Connecticut wins its 39th consecutive game and the NCAA Women's Basketball Championship by defeating Duke.



Lance Armstrong is the first American to win four consecutive Tour de France titles.



Boston Red Sox baseball legend Ted Williams dies at 83.



Baltimore Colts football great Johnny Unitas dies at 69.



The Tampa Bay Buccaneers claim their first Super Bowl Championship with a 48-21 victory over the Oakland Raiders.



Ohio State stunned Miami in double overtime to win college football's national championship.



The Detroit Red Wings capture the Stanley Cup by defeating the Carolina Hurricanes.



War Emblem races to victory at the Kentucky Derby.



Tasha Schwickert wins the 2002 International Women's All-Around Gymnastics Championship.



Winter X Gamers Shaun White and Gretchen Bleiler claim the gold in the Men's and Women's Superpipe.



Gary Kasparov beats a super computer after a four-hour chess match.



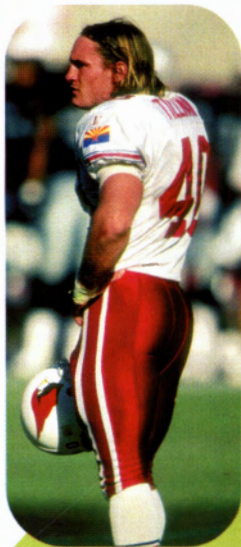
Michael Jordan announces his retirement at the NBA All Star game.



Kobe Bryant, Shaquille O'Neal and the L.A. Lakers defeat the New Jersey Nets in a 4-0 sweep of the 2002 NBA Championship series. The win was the Lakers' third consecutive title.



Annika Sorenstam is the first woman to play on the PGA tour in 58 years.



Patrick Tillman leaves his \$3.6 million NFL contract to enlist in the Army.

OTHER NEWS in SPORTS

- The University of Texas men and Auburn University women won the 2002 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships.
- Minnesota Timberwolves' Kevin Garnett was named the NBA All Star MVP. Garnett led the West to victory in double overtime.
- St. Louis Cardinals' Pitcher Darryl Kile died of a heart attack at 33. Boone Arledge, creator of "Wide World of Sports" and "Monday Night Football," died at 71.
- The University of Texas defeated the University of South Carolina to win the College World Series.

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