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**principal** Brian Templin

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**student population** 1332

**teaching staff** 75

THREE GIRLS WHO PLAYED RUSTY,  
EN, AND WENDY JO found that it  
hard to play friends. "We became  
ood friends from working together so  
that it just felt so natural to do that on  
said junior **Shannon Bonney**, who  
Rusty. Junior **Katie Hamelin** played  
Jo and senior **Richelle Evans** played  
. *Footloose* was well-received, incorpo-  
ons of new talent. "I'll definitely do it  
next year," said Bonney. *Photo by John*  
ewicz **For more information about**  
**musical see pages 42-43.**

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# WE Care

by Dani Dimmitt

Whoever said that kids don't care haven't met any of the kids at Holt High School. Between all of the clubs, the sports and the extracurricular activities, students are showing just how much they care.

Many students have had opportunities to go elsewhere and show their level of devotion. For example, junior Nick Rogell traveled to Haiti with a group of friends on a mission trip last summer to check on a school they had built the year before.

"My friend from my church just called me up one day and was like, 'Do you want to go to Haiti?' And I was like, 'Let me ask my parents.' I'm so glad I went, though; it was really cool," said Rogell.

Nick plans on going back again this year, and he's inspired junior Kelli Hillard to go along. "I just love to help people; it's so fun and it always makes me feel so good," said Hillard.







**WORKING HARD ON THE FLOAT** are sophomores **Jenn Watkins, Kendra Shaft** and **Jen Fisher**. The sophomore float theme this year was Operation. "The most fun part of building the float was being able to work with my friends and contribute to homecoming. When we put the finishing touches on it, it felt so cool to finally see it done," said Fisher. The sophomores recieved third place in the judging, the seniors placed second with their Candyland float and the juniors received first for their Monopoly float. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber* **For more information about floats and homecoming, see pages 40-41.**



**THE SPIRIT SQUAD HAS GROWN**, although only for one game. Juniors **Kelli Hillard** and **Ali Templin** decided that some ladies needed to show some hardcore school spirit. "We didn't last as long as we would've liked, but it was still fun," said Templin. The girls met at Jessica Beeson's house an hour before the game and decorated their stomachs and faces for the homecoming game against Everett. *Photo by Mrs. Beeson* **For more information about football see pages 132-133.**



**RUNNING TOWARD THE FINISH LINE**, senior court representative **Chad Rogers** shows his spirit at the pep rally while representing the mens cross country team. Every team had a representative to update the school on how their specific sport was coming along up to that point in the season. *Photo by Heather Piper* **For more information about cross country, see pages 122-125.**

**SHOWING SOME OF THE KIDS** a camera while in Haiti is junior **Nick Rogell**. He was approached by a friend from his church who had traveled to Haiti the year before and built a school in Port Au Prince. "This was kind of like a follow up to check on the school and stuff like that. It was so awesome: I met some really cool people and I really look forward to doing it again next year," said Rogell. *Photo by David Smith* **For more information about service, see the WE CARE Magazine beginning on page 8.**



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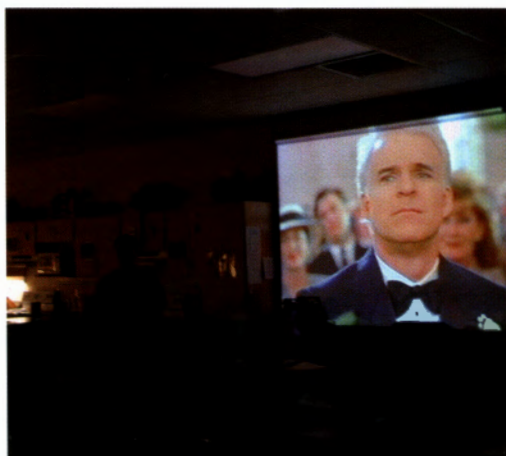
# 4 TECHNOLOGY HAS CHANGED

and how it  
everything...

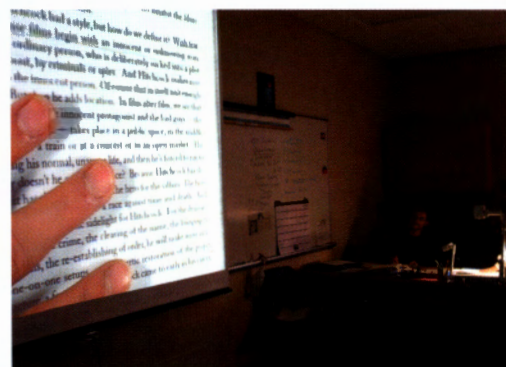
Prior to this year, not many people could say what a DIP was. Or an ELMO. And quite frankly, many still can't. But most teachers claim to use them everyday. See how the new technology has changed the face of teaching and learning in a few short months.

## Digital Image Projector

**THE "DIP" IS USED** for a variety of purposes in class, including watching a movie in Meal Management. "It's really cool because it's like having a big screen TV; I like it a lot," said junior **Sean Johnson**. In an informal survey of teachers, 20 out of 26 said they used their DIP everyday. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



**"ELMOs" ARE USED** to show documents and artifacts for presentation. "It's very high tech, and it seems a lot easier to teach," said senior **Stephanie Noe**. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



What does  
**ELMO**  
stand for?

"Ever-blurry Luminescent Monstrous Ornament." Stephanie **FIZZELL**

"Everyone Loves Mom's Oatmeal." Meg **KERSHUL**

"Eat Lasagna More Often." Amy **CLARK**

"Electronic Light Magnifying Overhead." Dave **FOY**

"Elephants, Lizards, Monkeys, and Orangutangs." Juanita **GREW**

"Everyday I feel guilty for not using it

Looks like a Star Wars robot

Mine is used to place flowers and books upon

Overhead transparencies seemed less blurry and inconvenient." Anne **RUSSO**

"Fuzzy little red guy from Sesame Street." Staci **ALMEIDA**

"Electrically Luminescent Moron Observation." Jeff **SHANE**

"The cute muppet who doesn't use pronouns." Shannon **FINEOUT**

"Everlasting Laser Motored Overhead." Pam **BADDERS**

"It's a document camera... so **ELMO... ELMO...** I like the name because it conjures up a little red creature. But you've got me; I'm stumped." Brian **TEMPLIN**

**MANY DIFFERENT CLASSES** have taken advantage of the new computers, including most of the business technology classes, the architectural drawing classes, and the publications classes. Additionally, there are computers available for student use in the John W. Chi library. Photo by John Zdankiewicz







# WE Learn

by dani dimmitt

Photography, photoshop and retail management. These are all classes you would expect to see in a brochure for college. Guess again. These are three of the new classes offered at Holt High School.

Retail management, otherwise known as the school store, is a gro of Dan Knechtel's best and bright- est. "The school store is definitely n favorite class, but there's a lot more work involved than what meets the eye," said senior Laura Çumbow. TH students who had Knechtel last year for at least one of his classes learne how to apply the fundamentals in a real-life situation.

"There's so much involved in run ning the store and it involves a lot before and after school hours," said junior Katie Flinton. Retail manage ment is one of the best perks for students this year.

**SENIOR ALI HULL CLOSES DOWN** the school store after a long day of selling. "It's really fun working in the school store; we have learned a lot," said Hull. The school store is part of the new retail management class taught by **Dan Knechtel**. Photo by John Zdankiewicz For more information about the school store, see pages 72-73.

**"I LIKE TO USE MY HANDS,"** said junior **Corey Shoemaker** about being able to use the new wheels in ceramics class. The new art rooms are state-of-the-art facilities that will be utilized not only by the students, but the community as well. Photo by John Zdankiewicz For more information about alternative learning styles, see the WE LEARN Magazine starting on page 48.



# WE Grow

by dani dimmitt

The Capital Area Activities Conference. The what!? It's our new and improved conference, featuring not only athletics, but also extracurricular activities like debate and quiz bowl.

Because of Holt's size, we are Division 1 of a three-division mega-league. The main difference is that we no longer compete against Waverly, but now face Okemos.

Athletic director Rick Schmidt approves of the changes, "Our new conference is great! All of the schools have really good athletic programs," said Schmidt.

But for some students the new conference will mean something totally different. Junior Precious Paul participated in forensics and track last year and plans on doing so again. "It's going to be really hard to get used to the new conference: we were so used to playing the teams, and now we have to learn about our new opponents; it will be a lot harder to prepare," said Paul.







the new holt high school is

# GROWING in NUMBERS

**79** Number of school-of-choice students attending HHS; 23 of those are new for the 2003-2004 school year

**472** Number of stairs in the new high school

"You really get your exercise walking from one end of the building to another."  
—Shannon Fineout

**1332** Number of students currently enrolled at Holt High School

**\$0.75** Cost of a french vanilla cappuccino at the school store  
**WWW.holt.k12.mi.us** Holt Public Schools' website

**\$500** Cost to replace a DIP lightbulb if it burns out  
Average life expectancy of a DIP lightbulb if left on 24 hours a day  
**6** WEEKS

**14** Number of speedbumps  
**100** % of students claiming to detest the speedbumps

**burnished block** n. technical name of the bricks decorating the hallways at the new high school



**PRACTICING THEIR PUTTING** are senior **Kenny Watson** and junior **Brice Dawson**. "It stinks because so many sports get to practice [at the new school], but we still have to go all the way to El Dorado," said Watson. "Even with all of the growth at the school we still can't have a golf course." Photo by Ben Berry For more information about mens golf, see pages 128-129.

**WITH THE CONFERENCE GROWING** many teams are encountering new opponents. Mens soccer is no exception. "Okemos has become one of our biggest rivals; they're a good team though," said senior **Brian Williams** who demonstrates his skills against Grand Ledge. Photo by Kacie Dittenber For more information about mens soccer, see pages 120-121.



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and HOUSE

# care

# SPECIAL OLYMPICS: GOING FOR THE GOLD

by heather piper and jesica craft-quenby

It's fun because  
**WE LOVE IT!**  
kenny **limas**



**nick**  
ward

Nick Ward didn't just participate in the Special Olympics. He won.

Nick won the skiing Olympics game locally and went to Traverse City and also won there! Nick gets to go to Nogono, Japan, in 2005 to compete again.

Besides skiing, Nick also competes in swimming and bowling, which he said require a lot of practice. *Photo by Heather Piper*

"Special Olympics is an international organization dedicated to empowering individuals with intellectual disabilities to become physically fit, productive, and respected members of society through sports training and competition" ([www.hugsfeelgood.com](http://www.hugsfeelgood.com)).

Special Olympics offers children and adults year-round training and competition in 26 Olympic-style sports.

There is no charge but an obvious benefit.

More than a million people are involved in Special Olympics. They come from all over the world, 150 different countries, to compete with each other. And some of those athletes belong to our school!

Every student that goes to Holt High School and participates in the Special Olympics thinks that it has been a positive experience for them, and most of them plan to continue participating in it.

The two participants that have competed for the longest amount of time are Kenny Limas and Paul Schafer, but there are others that may follow in their footsteps. There is no age limit for the Special Olympics, although you have to be at least 4-years-old to start training and 6-years-old to compete in your first Special Olympics.



**RENEE POLLOK AND LESLIE VENEMA** are very excited after winning medals in their gymnastics competition at the 2003 Special Olympics. Renee also competes in basketball and bowling. *Courtesy photo*



**HOLT SPECIAL OLYMPICS** swim team members **Paul Schafer** and **Jarod Merva** compete at Dewitt in the April 2003 Special Olympics meet. *Courtesy photo*



# The Athletes...

**lance** peterson  
bowling

**nick** ward  
*see insert*

**leslie** venema  
bowling, gymnastics, basketball



**micheal** doxtader  
swimming, skiing, bowling

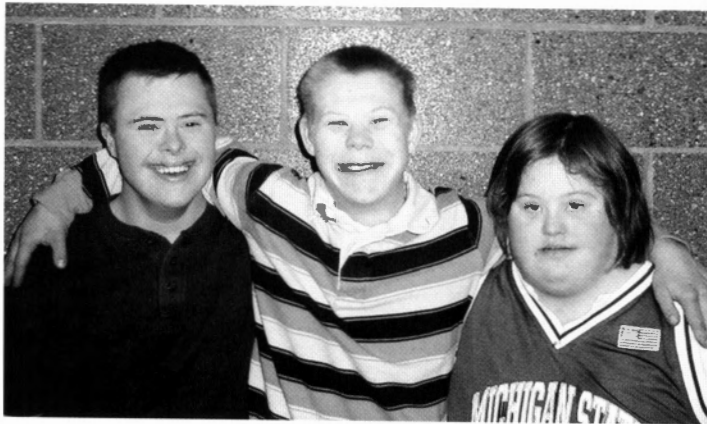
**angela** foster  
gymnastics, bowling

**tiffany** blumer  
gymnastics, bowling, basketball

**kenny** limas  
swimming, hockey, soccer, basketball, handball

**paul** schaefer  
handball, swimming, basketball

**ashley** beach  
bowling, basketball, swimming, soccer, kickball



**KENNY, PAUL AND ASHLEY** have been involved in Special Olympics for many years. Together, they have won several medals, which they are all very proud about. They said that their basketball team is the best now. They love playing in the Special Olympics. Kenny said that Special Olympics means practicing, like running laps, and thinking about what you're going to do in your head, then doing it. Ashley has won five medals and a bowling trophy in the Special Olympics. They are all star athletes that everyone can be proud of. *Photo by Heather Piper*

# PAUL'S DREAM COME TRUE

Many people don't know that Paul Schafer is one of MSU's biggest fans, but seniors and friends Adam Burmeister, Nick Kyriakopoulos, Kenny Fellows, and Mike Adams do. So what did they do for his birthday this year? They picked him up and headed off to enjoy an MSU football game.

One of the greatest parts of his birthday was when they surprised him with some great presents that Paul absolutely loved, like the hat and coat Paul is wearing in the photograph below. They also bought him a small MSU helmet. Mike Adams got him a football signed by the Holt football players.

It's a sure thing that Paul has some great friends and memories that he'll be able to remember for the rest of his life.



**ADAM BURMEISTER, NICK KYRIAKOPOULOS, PAUL SCHAEFER, KENNY FELLOWS, and MIKE ADAMS** take a quick break to smile during the exciting MSU game they went to for Paul's birthday. *Courtesy Photo*

He's a really cool kid and he's fun to hang out with **mike adams**



# KEY CLUB AND NHS ARE CLUBS WHO CARE, DO YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCE?

by heather piper

## National Honor Society

**ADVISOR:** Kim Reichard and Jessica Cotter

**NUMBER OF STUDENTS:** Approximately 100

**PRESIDENT:** Destini Taylor

**WHAT THEY DO:** Food Drive, Blood Drive, Teacher

Luncheon, Tutor list for students to call if they need help

**FOUR PILLARS OF NHS:** Scholarship, Leadership,

Character, and Service

**WHEN THEY MEET:** Activity Period

**MOST SUCCESSFUL EVENT:** The Blood Drive

**WHAT DO YOU LIKE ABOUT BEING IN NHS?**

"I like working with advisors and other members and officers. It's a good opportunity."

- Destini Taylor

"The people, and the end result of everything we do."

- Chris Smith

"You get to help with friends and others."

- Serina Mazzoni

"Helping people with your friends and finding different ways to help people."

- Jessica Merriott

"Meeting new people and getting to work with them."

- Liz Wilcox

## Kiwanis Educating Youth Club

**ADVISOR:** Jim Keckeisen

**NUMBER OF STUDENTS:** Approximately 20

**PRESIDENTS:** Gretchen Baker, Caroline Bowden, Laura Nichols, Christine Dykman

**WHAT THEY DO:** help special needs kids, raking for the elderly, community service, help at animal shelters, trick or treat for UNICEF, recycling, special bowling

**WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO JOIN KEY CLUB?**

"At the Junior High they had a club called the Builder's Club, which is a littler version of Key Club at the high school, so I joined that, and then when I came to the high school I just became a part of Key Club."

- Gretchen Baker

"Because of Laura, and to get hours for NHS."

- Caroline Bowden

"Curiosity"

- Laura Nichols

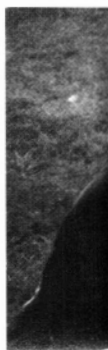
**HOW HAS KEY CLUB CHANGED OVER THE YEARS?**

"This year we are kind of starting over, and rebuilding our interest in Key Club, it's like a fresh start."

- Gretchen Baker

"We've Improved to just the bare essentials during our meetings."

- Laura Nichols



**SENIOR CASE MOODY** stays after on the last day of school to help Key Club advisor Jim Keckeisen pack up his classroom to move to the new school. Photo by Gretchen Baker



# AYESHA AHMAD: A TEACHER WHO CARES

**SENIOR GRETCHEN BAKER** helps out by painting kid's face at the Kiwanis Kid's day. *Courtesy photo*



**LENDING A HELPING HAND,** Seniors **Caroline Bowden**, and **Laura Nichols** stay after to help the high school change locations, while most of their classmates went home to enjoy the last day of school. *Photo by Gretchen Baker*



## HOW DO YOU VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME?:

"I work at a women's shelter, and I speak Urdu to women who have been battered who can't really speak English.

## WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO DO THIS?:

"Well I grew up in a really supportive home, with both of my parents being doctors who help people. I just think if you're fortunate enough to be in a situation where you can help people, you should. Other than that I don't have a real specific reason why I like to do it."

## WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE A TEACHER?:

I love working with teenagers, and I love the social studies. It's challenging and exciting at the same time, you also get to learn along with the students. There's a great mix of people. I have great colleagues and great students.

## WHAT MADE YOU DECIDE TO TEACH YOGA AND PILATES?:

I've been taking it for about 5 years now, and I started teaching classes here and there at various gyms. I wanted to get to know the students outside of the classroom, that way I get to see them even when they aren't in my class. Plus when I mentioned it to my students, they got really excited. That got me really pumped up to really do it.

## WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT THE ACADEMIC HELP ROOM?:

Building relationships with the students. I get to know people better. I want to be a positive role model. I want the kids to trust me, plus it's rewarding when I help someone in help room and then I see that they did well on a test or something. I like to think I am making a difference.

## WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT BEING A

**ROLE MODEL?:** I don't really think about it, but I know that when students come to me with problems that they aren't comfortable talking to other people about. It just feels really gratifying.



# SENIORITIS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU DON'T CARE

by katie ross

Every year seniors struggle with many tasks. These include keeping up with current class grades, completing homework assignments, studying for quizzes and tests, taking the SAT or ACT tests, and of course planning for college.

For most, this seems like too much work. At this point of feeling a bit overwhelmed, seniors seem to slack off. Many would call this *Senioritis*.

Symptoms of senioritis cases include skipping class and/or school, becoming lazy, running late to early morning classes, boredom, turning in late homework or daily assignments, and the famous sleeping in class.

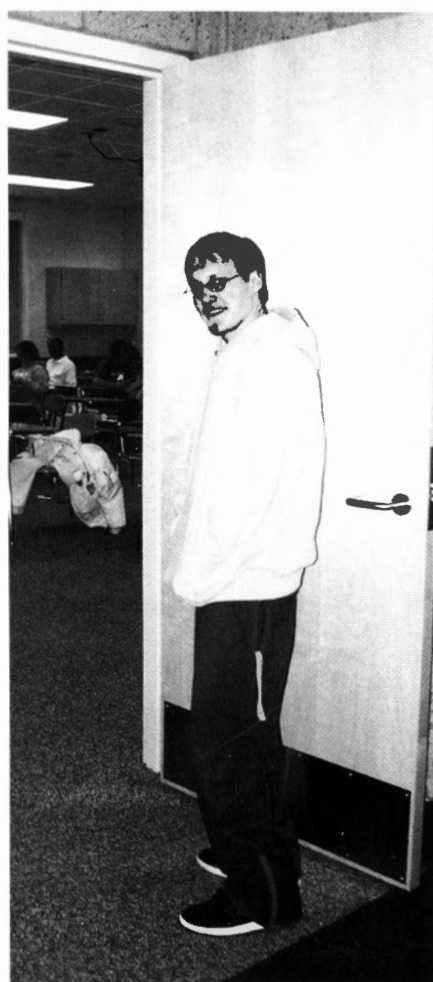
Over 85% of the 2004 graduating class admits they already have senioritis. They also believe the number one symptom of senioritis is the not wanting to do anything.

Senior Chris Dowling states that senioritis occurs "when you come to school and you just don't feel like doing anything."



**AFTER EATING LUNCH**, senior **Kelli Fenstermaker** rests her head on the table while thinking about her next class. Fenstermaker struggles getting to class every morning and swears she never has homework, or at least she never does any. *Photo by Katie Ross*

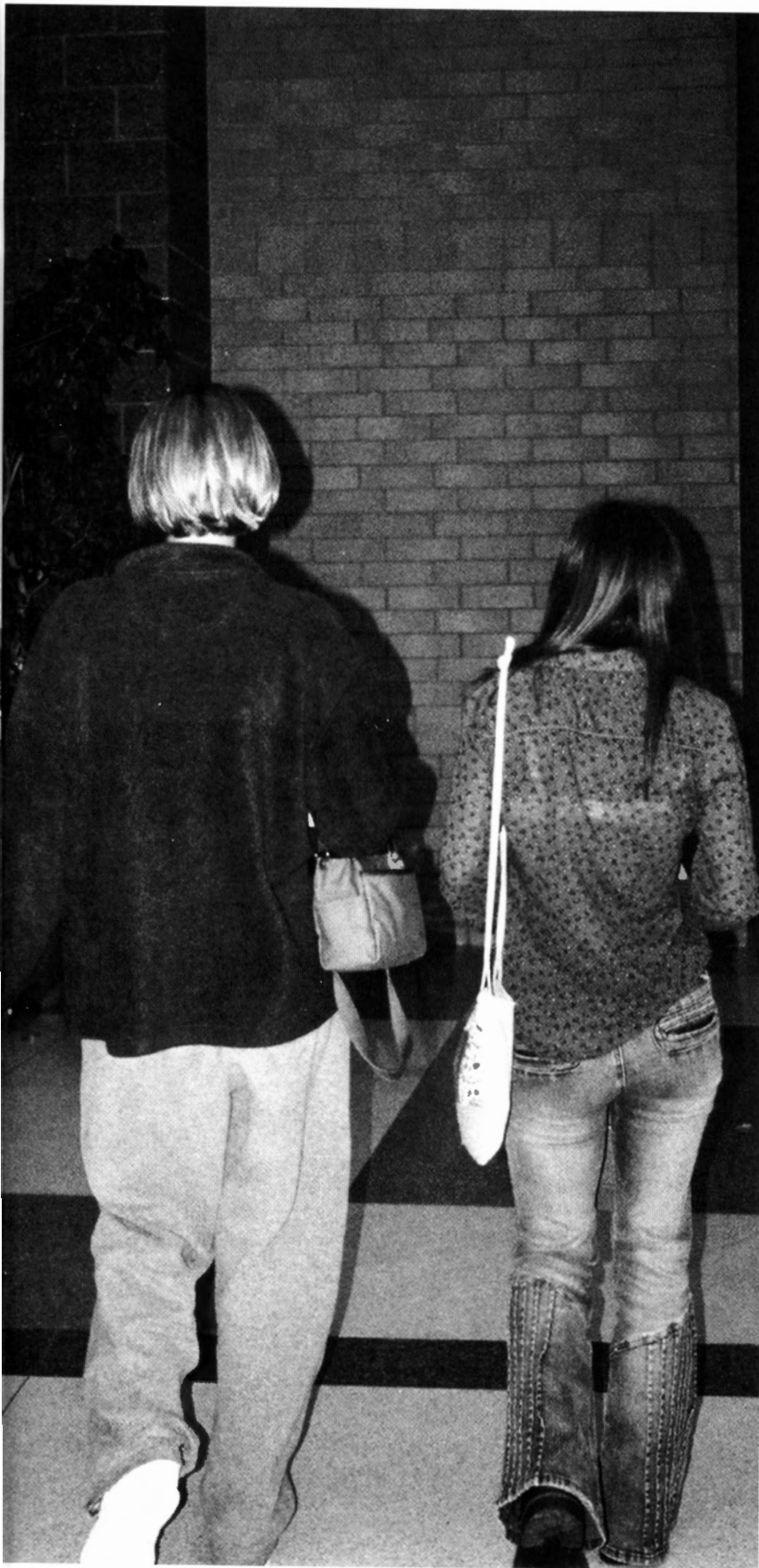
**BEFORE HEADING INTO CLASS**, senior **Rob Hartley** stops and takes a deep breath. Hartley's fourth hour Business Law class is the hardest so far this year. Hartley manages to keep a passing grade but fails to show up everyday. *Photo by Katie Ross*



**ON THEIR WAY TO CLASS**, and taking their time are seniors **Kelli Fenstermaker** and **Celeste Malkowski**. *Photo by Katie Ross*

When you get really sick of school and you know you'll be done soon, you just wanna leave.

~ lauracumbow



# I DO CARE:



**Erica  
Pfeiffer**

Senior Erica Pfeiffer is involved in many things other than her daily high school life. After school she attends one of many different activities. She may be at practice for club gymnastics, which is a more competitive and traveling type of gymnastics, or practicing her diving techniques for the high school swimming and diving team.

Erica works hard to do her homework for school and makes sure that she at least turns something in when an assignment is due.

After high school, Erica plans to attend West Virginia University to study exercise physiology. For now, though, it's strictly books, working on Physics and Spanish 4.

It's a lot harder to concentrate and motivate myself to do work, but I still manage.

~ **erica**pfeiffer



# ARE YOU AWARE

HOLT HAS BEEN THE SAME FOREVER, BUT WITH THE NEW SCHOOL COMES NEW ORGANIZATIONS TO COMBAT PREJUDICE AND BRING AWARENESS

by anslee stuber-powell

by Katie Lash

## HOUSE

"We have to talk about issues around us or they just keep coming back," junior Matt Denny explained about the new organization HOUSE. HOUSE meets as much as once a week (depending on the students) to talk about how race affects the world today, as well as the history of race.

"It's about what people don't expect and what is underlying," said Denny. "It's a responsibility to ourselves to become more aware."

HOUSE stands for Holt's Opportunity for Unity Student Experience. Students met with a group from MSU called MRULE and with the help of Social Studies teacher Jessica Cotter came up with the idea to create a group that would not only educate the student body but would also give them a chance to tell how they feel. "Holt doesn't address potential problems and that makes people uncomfortable. We help to show people what's wrong and stay away from blaming everything on others," said Denny.

## Human Rights Campaign

"If everyone was a little more open minded, everyone would be a little more happy", said junior Katie Hamlin. Hamlin and a few others began their strive for equality last year with the start of the Human Rights Campaign. Although the campaign wasn't as successful as they had hoped, this year is a new start.

With more members and more meetings, this group is determined to make a difference. "We don't just focus on any one issue", said junior Caitlin Weaver, "We try to cover a wide range of issues like race and gender equality and sexual preference."

This year they have a longer list of goals they want to accomplish. One goal is to get a day of silence in April or May. "We just want one day where hurtful words can be silenced," said Weaver. They also wanted to get the movie *Bang, Bang Your Dead* approved. "It takes a very long time to get anything approved," said Hamlin. "The principals and all the teachers have to approve what we do."

We just want one day where hurtful words can be silenced...

Caitlin Weaver

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Danielle Acker  
Michael Adams  
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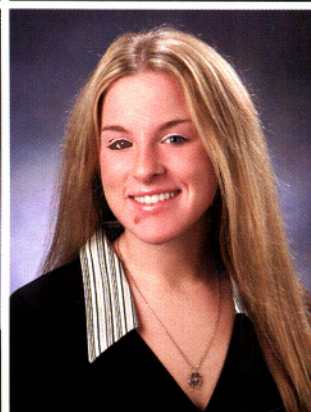
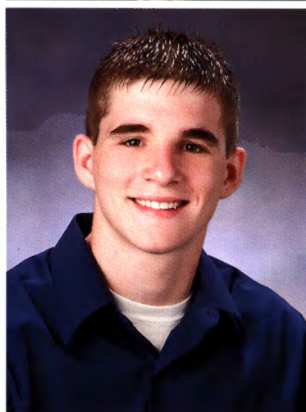
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Lisa Bartz  
Dustin Baughman  
Katie Baughman  
Christopher Bauman  
Sarah Baxter



Lindsey Beemer  
Danielle Benington  
Jessica Billeter  
Andrew Bliven  
Tiffany Blumer  
Kisti Boatright





everything i  
need to know...  
i learned in

# preschool

by ashley hunt

**L.** "I learned about weather with the weather wheel."

**K.** "I learned the value of friendship."

**J.** "You still have to keep your hands and your feet to yourself."

**I.** "A good nap makes for a good day."

**H.** "Your mom's not going to be there to protect you all the time."

**G.** "I learned how to write my name; that's useful, isn't it?"

**F.** "Be careful crossing the road without Willy the Walking Rope."

**E.** "I learned how to share, but I really didn't."

**D.** "Wash your hands before you eat."

**A.** "Don't run with scissors."

**B.** "Always pick up your messes or someone will be there to yell at you."

**C.** "Always bring a change of clothes, just in case."

## Can you match the life lesson with the senior?



**1**KristinSpencer



**2**JustinCory



**3**PrestonHavens



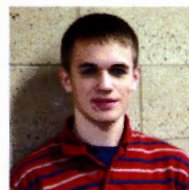
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**5**KristaKorbiak



**6**WendyWolf



**7**TimDrier



**8**BethKeyes



**9**HeatherKonzman



**10**ChrisMeier



**11**LizKlauka



**12**PhilEmmons

Not Pictured: Kelly Gonzalez "Breaking the rules always leads to trouble."



is there  
really such a  
thing as

# freemoney?

by anslee stuber-powell & craig steward

## checkyourself

Do you have what it takes?

- ☐ G.P.A. 3.5-4.0
- ☐ ACT above 24/SAT above 1100
- ☐ Community Service
- ☐ School Involvement
- ☐ Work Experience
- ☐ A.P. Courses
- ☐ Recommendation Letters
- ☐ 500 Word Essays

Get your paper work turned in, complete your application packet, and check yourself.



**Jennifer**  
VanPort-Fleet

**G.P.A.** 3.89  
**ACT** 26  
**Activities** School plays  
**IntendedSchool** Adrian  
**MEAP** \$2,500  
**TrusteesScholarship**  
\$11,000

**\$13,500**

"Don't over work and spread yourself too thin."

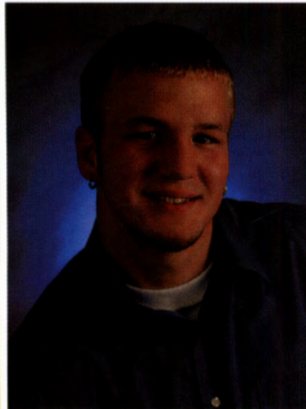


**Keith** Lane

**G.P.A.** 2.8  
**ACT** 22  
**Activities** Football & Baseball  
**IntendedSchool** Unsure  
**MEAP** \$2,500

**\$2,500**

"Hard work pays off in the long run. Always stay dedicated and don't make wrong decisions."



## educateyourself



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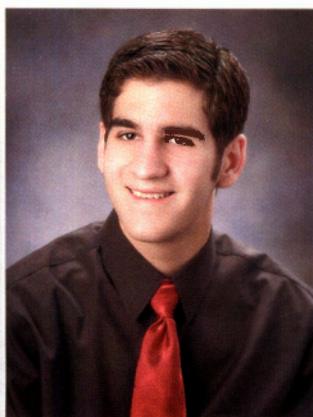
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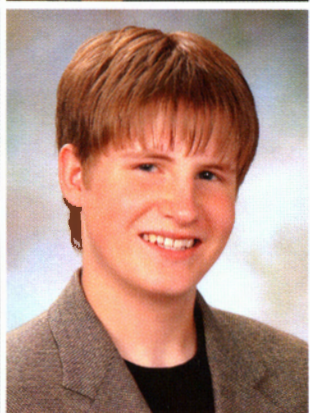
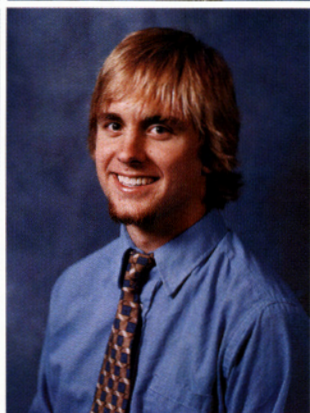
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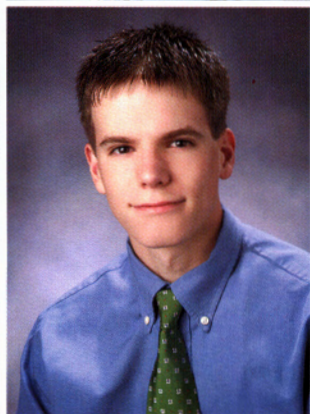




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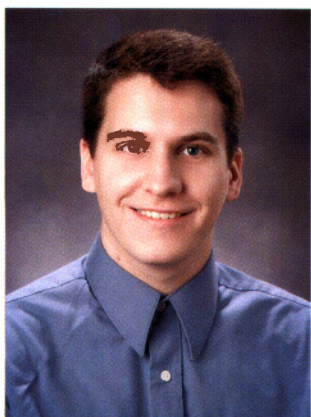
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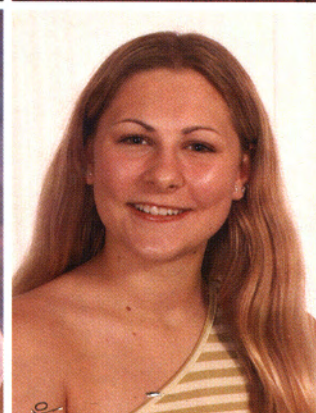
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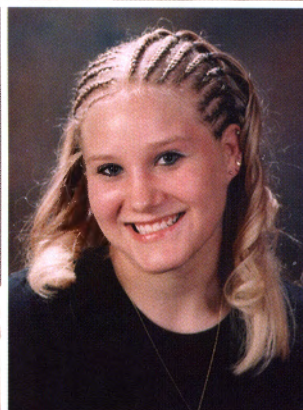
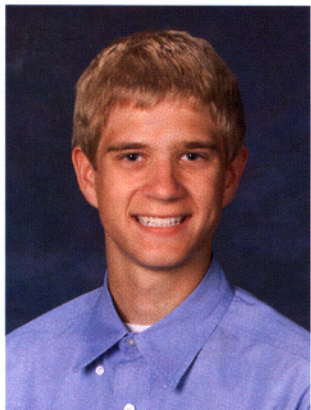
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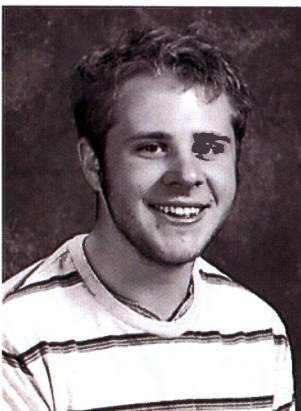
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one of the  
most important  
things in your  
life are your  
friends!

# unbreakablebonds

by sarah moule & raquel llinas

"Red Rover, Red Rover, send Jimmy right over." Do you remember playing this game on the playground in elementary school? Sometimes you could bust right through, but other times the bonds were just too strong. The bonds that these best friends share are just as strong.



**Brandon**Conley  
**Mike**Parry

**BUILDING FORTS** and playing with remote control cars, are what best friends **Brandon Conley** and **Mike Parry** have been doing since kindergarten. "I walked into a fort that was already built in the woods, and Mike was in there," said Conley about the first day they met.



**Stephanie**Rose  
**Katie**Baughman



**"WE HATED EACH OTHER** in third grade," said **Katie Baughman**. "Slowly we became best friends by the end of the year." After a couple years of being best friends, they became sisters when their parents decided to get married. "We have lived together ever since," said Baughman.



**Sarah**Murray  
**Andrea**Pass



**"WHEN I MOVED IN NEXT DOOR** to Sarah we stared at each other through the fence for a long time before saying anything," said **Andrea Pass**. Sarah was three years old and Andrea was four when they met for the first time. They were the only girls on the block, and would play football with the guys. They have been best friends ever since.



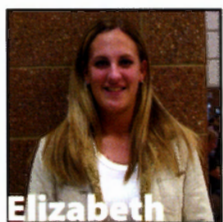


everyone is somehow connected  
to one another,  
either directly or through association.  
but in high school -  
a world of cliques and groups -  
will the concept  
of six degrees of separation work?  
follow our trails  
as we discover  
how everyone is connected  
in one way or another  
through...

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# 6 degrees of separation

by beth keyes and eve ayala



**Elizabeth**

**Wilcox**



**Jamison**

**Russ**



**Erick**

**White**

Liz knows Kelly Wilson from 4th grade at Wilcox elementary school.

**Kelly Wilson**

Jamison knows James Zolnai from skateboarding together.

**James Zolnai**

Erick met Dani Benington when they both had class together in 10th grade.

**Dani Benington**

**Andrew Jones**

Kelly knows Andrew Jones from cheering with him on the squad their junior year.

**Kelli Fenstermaker**

James knows Kelli Fenstermaker from attending Diamondale elementary school.

**Laura Nichols**

Dani knows Laura Nichols from being on the volleyball team together in 8th grade.

Andrew knows Jason Thomas from playing soccer with him since 6th grade.

**Jason Thomas**

Kelli knows Alyce Garcia from working at Fat Boys Pizza together.

**Alyce Garcia**

Laura met Will Dunlap when both performed in the school musical Footloose.

**Will Dunlap**

**Luke Nielsen**

Jason knows Luke Nielsen from being in the band together since their freshman year.

**Elaine Waddell**

Alyce knows Elaine Waddell from singing in Holt's choir together since freshman year.

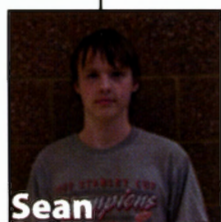
**Adam Burmeister**

Will and Adam Burmeister grew up together.

Luke became friends with Sean Wiley when they met through a friend four years ago.

Elaine met Serena Mazzoni while both were on crew for *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* in their junior year.

Adam knows Craig Rasmussen from having attended Our Savior Lutheran together.



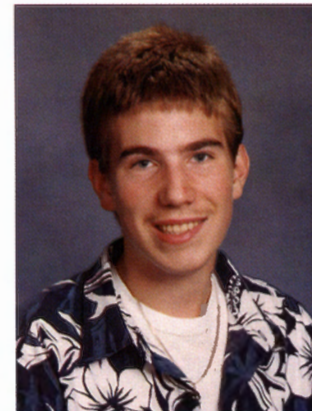
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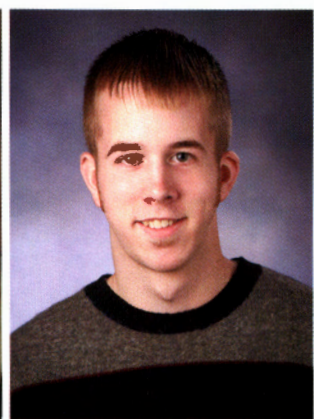
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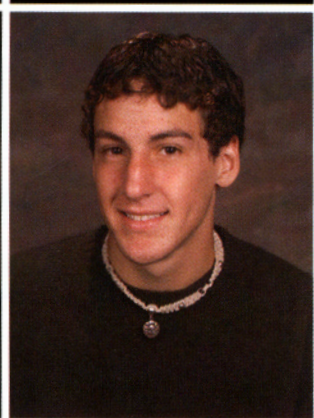
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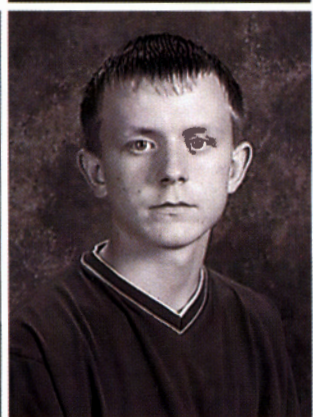
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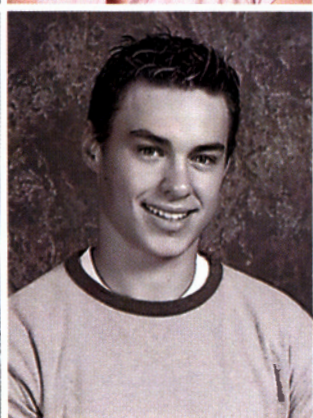
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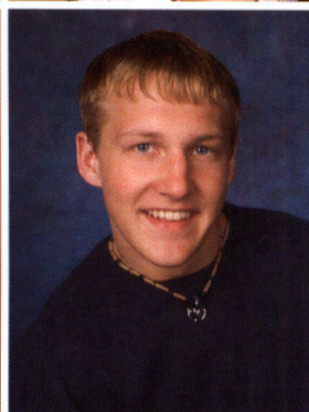
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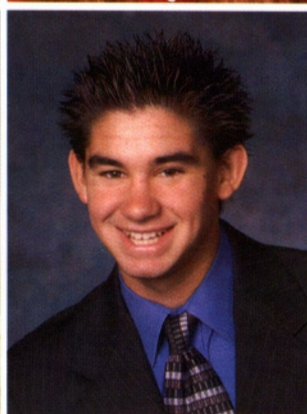
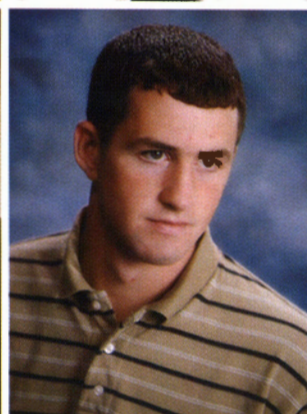
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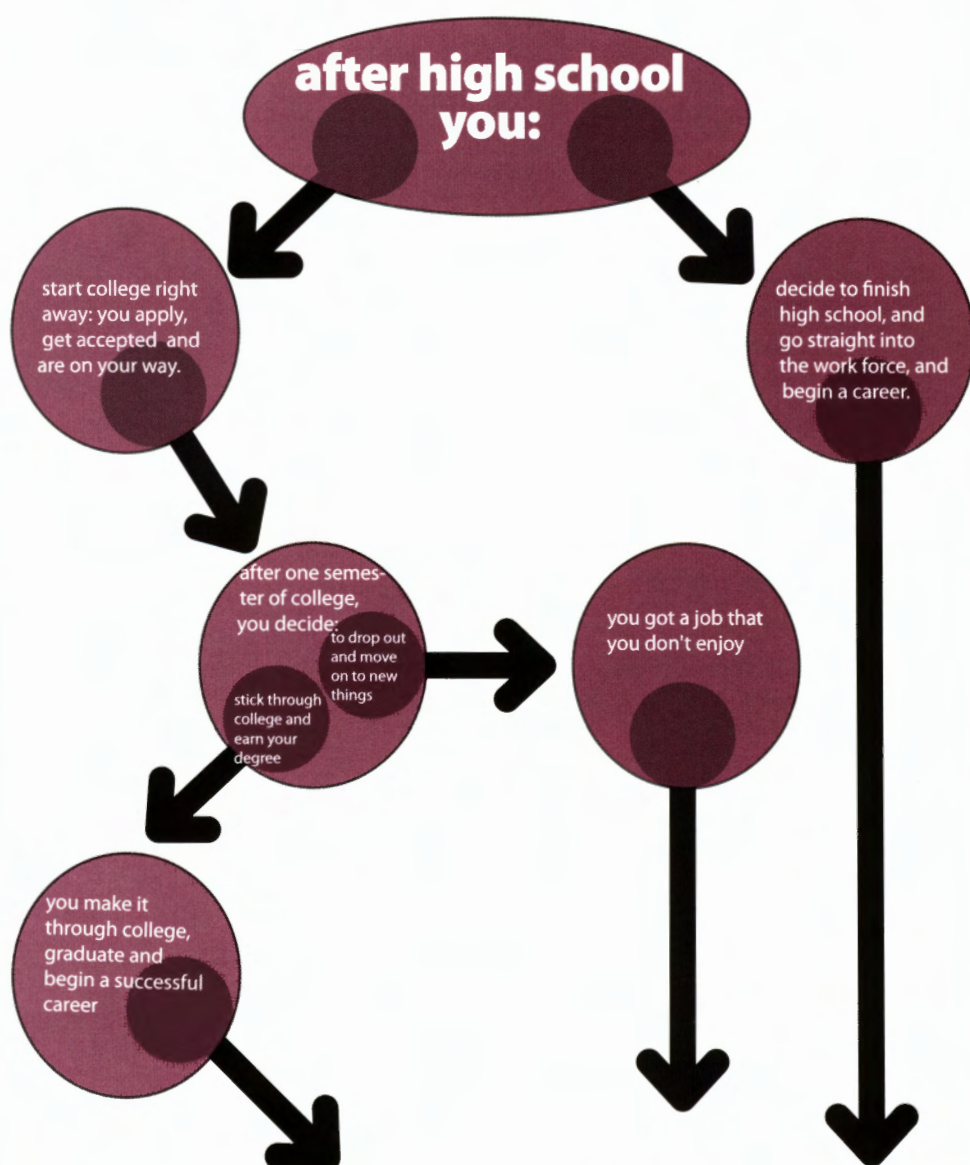


high school is  
over and you  
suddenly have  
all this extra  
time on your  
hands, but will  
you do with it?

# it's your decision

let's look into the game called life

by stephanie gibbs



## The moral of the story

### THE GAME OF LIFE

This game consists of some of the single most important decisions you will make in your entire life. Education goes a long way. Are you going to take a chance with a job or go to college and make a few guarantees? What are you waiting for? The opportunities are there in front of you...

### SOME GRADUATE

After many years of hard work and part time jobs, those who graduate and move into their chosen profession earn up to 40% more than the person who chose not to attend college. They move through the business chain faster. They are chosen over others because of their education.

### SOME DROP OUT

The reasons, again, vary. Some have to retake classes and redundant classes cause them to be bored with school. Others take a year off to get married or start a job and never return for whatever reason life may throw them. Others change majors so much that the cost becomes too high.

### SOME NEVER BEGIN

Those who never begin don't for many reasons. They may not know about financial aid options. Some are undecided on a college and put it off until they think it is too late. It is better to start off with basics and decide after a year. And some don't think they are cut out for college.



seniors

# 20 even beautiful people can be ugly too

by anslee stuber-powell

## What is your most embarrassing picture?

### **matt**pratt

"A week before seventh grade started, I got poison ivy all over my face. My mom took a picture of it."

score: ●●●●○

### **nick**noble

"I was wearing a pog shirt and had a cracked tooth. My hair was such a mess."

score: ●●●●●

### **raquel**guizar

"I had the ugliest black dress on with huge glasses. I looked horrible!"

score: ●●●●○

### **jenna**zolnai

"It was two in the morning, Heather Ott and I were in the living room, and somebody took a picture of us. I looked like trash!"

score: ●●●●○

### **john**major

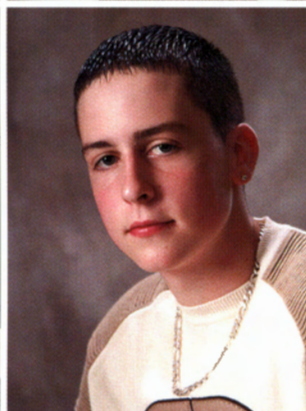
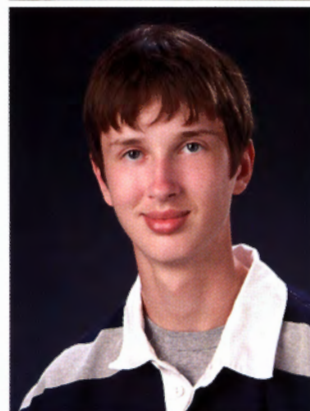
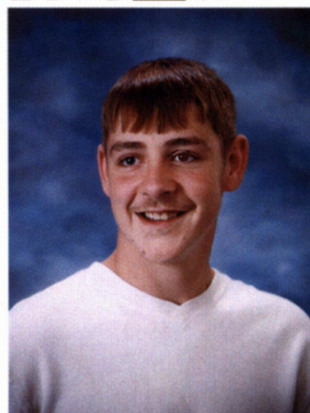
"In first grade, the photographer told me to smile big. I gritted my teeth so hard that the veins in my neck popped out."

score: ●●○○○

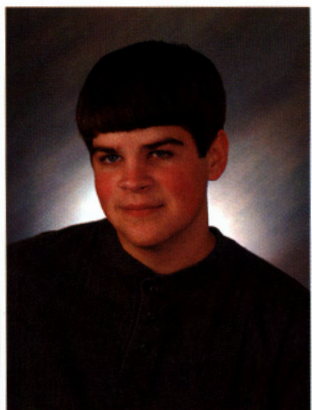
### **anslee**stuber-powell

"I thought it would be funny to put chocolate cake all over my face and teeth. Then my mom decided it would be a good picture for my open house."

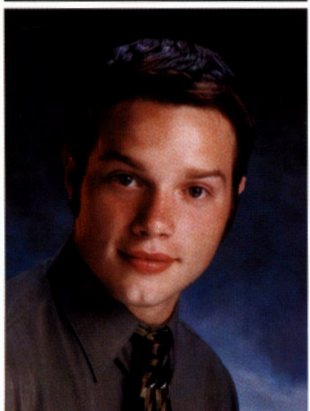
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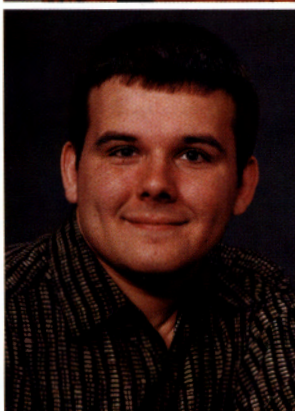
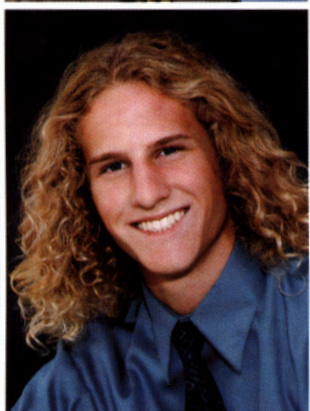
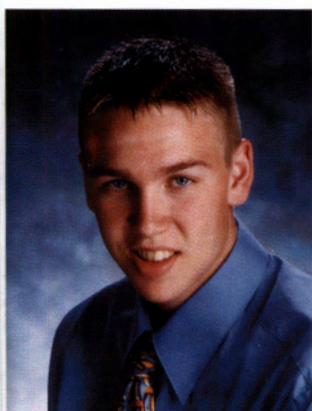




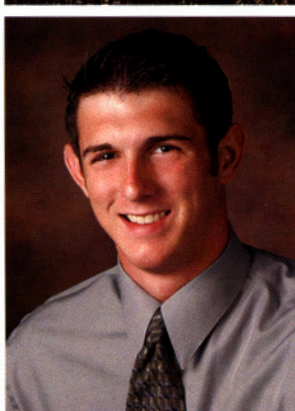
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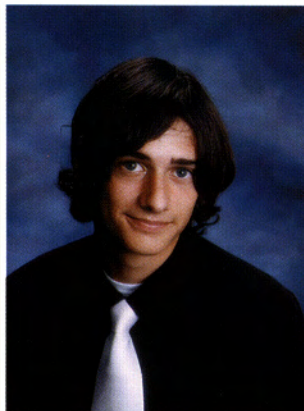
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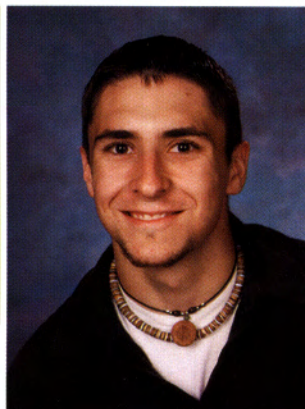
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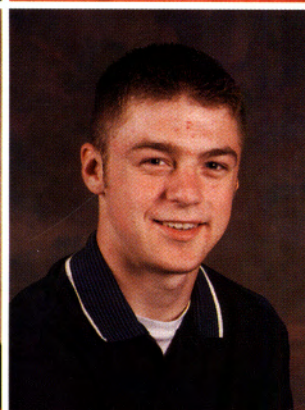
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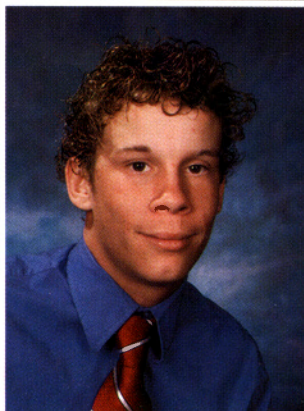
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**FROM THE SECOND FLOOR** of the commons area, security guard **Bruce Duling** keeps watch over sophomore **Chris McClure** and the rest of the school. While security guards, like Duling, appreciate the bird's-eye-view of the student body, students like senior **Josh Major** dislike the constant supervision. "I hate the way they made the design: like catwalks so they can watch everything," Major said. Photo by Nathan Parsons

## newschool, newopinions

Sixty-eight million dollars never looked so good! As students entered the school for the first time, they were faced with the best educational surroundings money could buy. Senior Ben Trentham admitted, "I like all the new technology. It makes it easier for making the *Ramparts Newspaper*." Senior Adam Burmeister agreed with Trentham's positive outlook, saying, "I like the stairs; it's like *Saved by the Bell*."

However, some students find it easier to criticize than to praise. Senior Joe Eastman said, "Some bathrooms don't have soap or paper towels. It's sick." To add to the disgust, junior Audrey Kuhn said, "The stalls have boogers wiped on them; it's gross!"

With such a new school, problems were unavoidable. But one thing, however, that all the students agreed on was how bad the speed bumps are for their cars. "My car scrapes like no other over the speed bumps," said senior Dane Ellis. While senior Josh Peek

added, "The speed bumps are ridiculous. It messed up the suspension on my car. I need to get it fixed, but I'm too poor."

Despite these bumps in the road, many students appreciate the new opportunities available at the new high school.

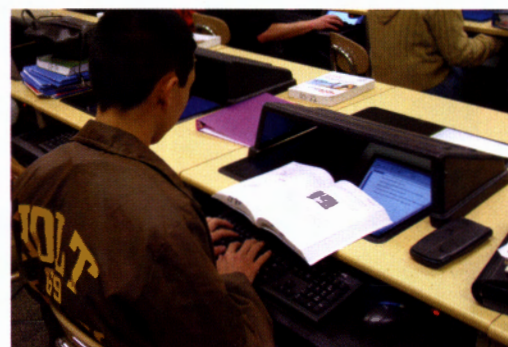
**THE SIZE OF SPEED BUMPS** were what 80% of students polled believed were the worst thing at the new school. On the other hand, 90% of those same students thought that the school's facilities were the best thing at our new campus. Photo by Nathan Parsons

by nathan  
parsons  
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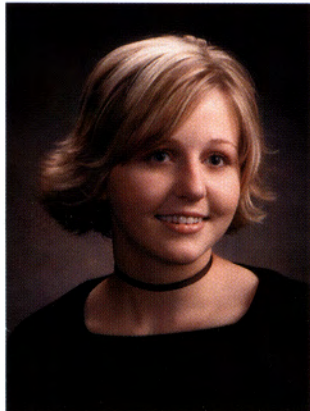
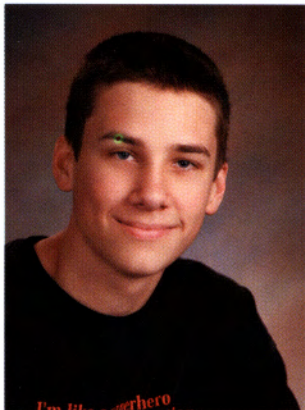
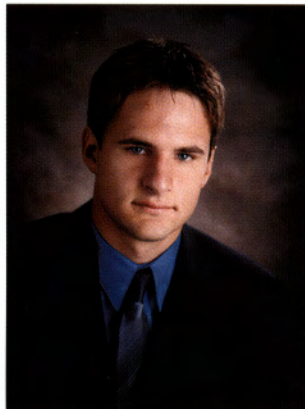
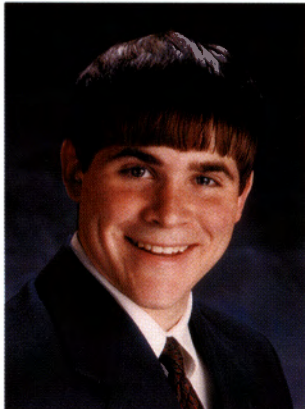
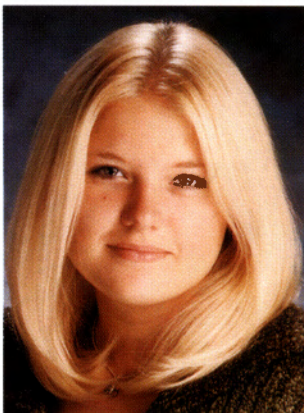
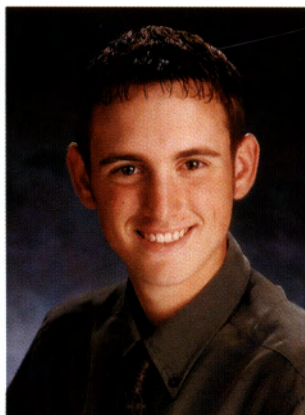
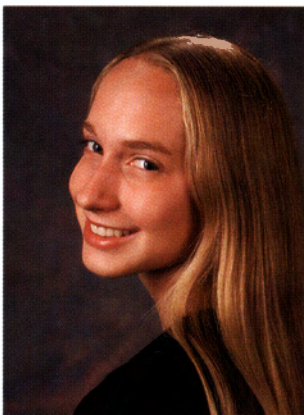
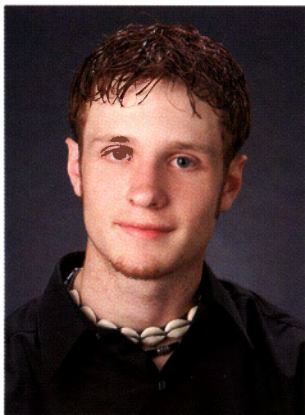
With the new high school, it is definitely harder to clean, especially with closed campus. It has increased our work load considerably. **ernie snyder**, custodian

I believe the custodians are very over-worked and could use some student help. **dan knechtel**, teacher

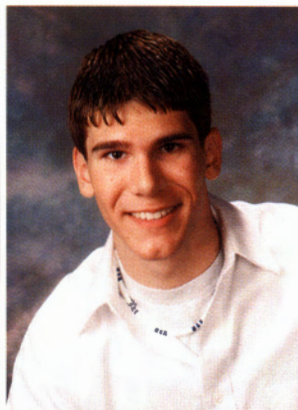
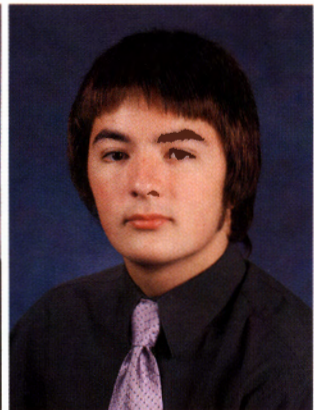


**FINALLY UNDERWAY**, senior **Danny Rarrick** works on a Photoshop assignment using one of the new computers. With so much technology to be installed and get in working order, many computer classes were delayed. Photo by Nathan Parsons

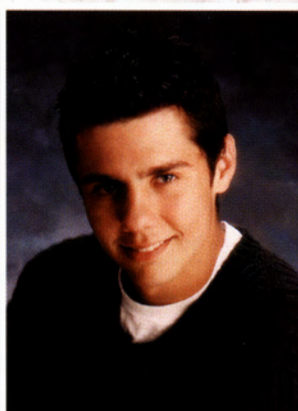




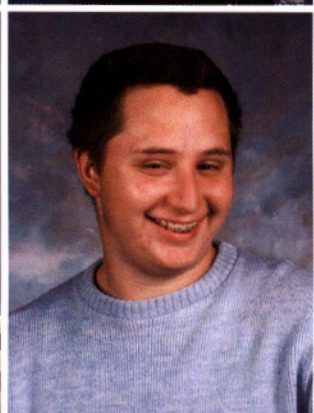
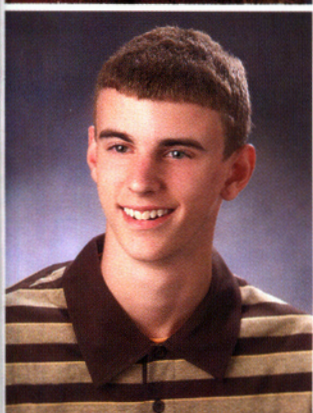




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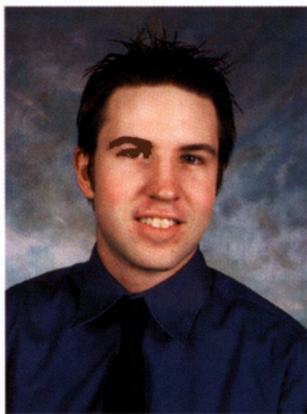
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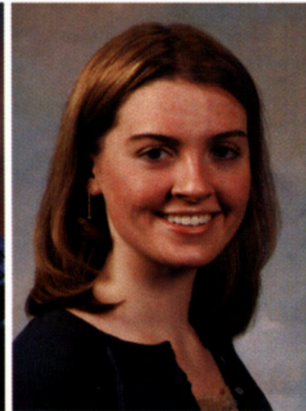
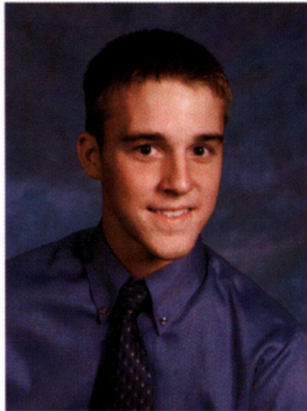
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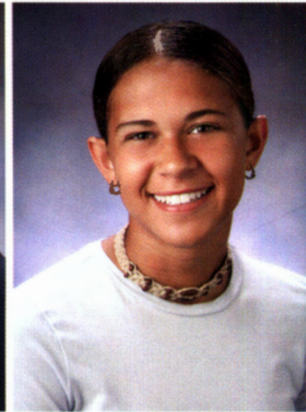
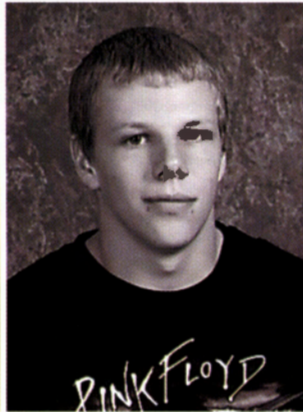
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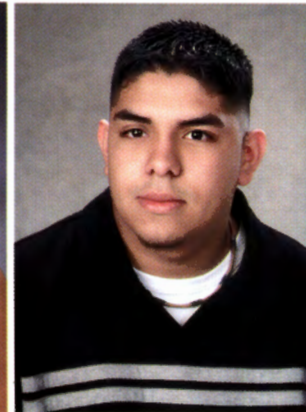
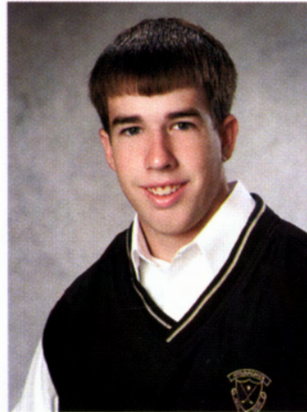
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Lots of sleep,  
classes of  
relaxation, and  
Solitaire?

This is

# how to get an easy A

by john zdankiewicz

Will Dunlap catches a lot of Z's, not A's. The self-proclaimed "ultimate slacker" isn't one to be concerned with things like grades and ACT scores.

"I have Childers for English first hour, where I read things

in funny voices," said the comedic senior. "I also have Global Studies where I sleep."

Senior year for some students is

filled with classes that cause less stress on their final stretch of school. Senior Chris Backus said, "I don't do anything."

"It's your senior year, you have to be a slacker," added senior Kisti Boatright.

As for tips for slacker-inspired underclassmen, senior Celeste Malkowski advised, "Pick the classes that are fun."



## NAP TIME IN HIGH SCHOOL

Living up to his reputation, **Will Dunlap** snoozes outside on one of the benches during Global Studies. Photo by John Zdankiewicz.



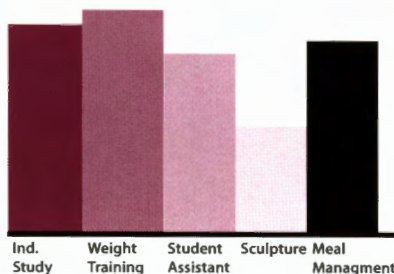
## Mandy Seehase

Always one to participate, Mandy has all easy classes her senior year. "I always do my work, because it's just really easy to do," Seehase said. Photo by John Zdankiewicz

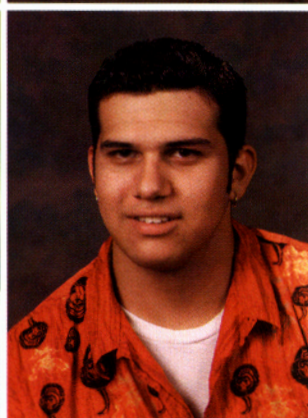
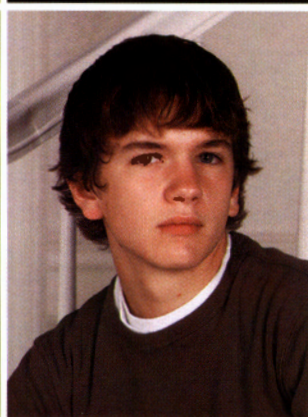
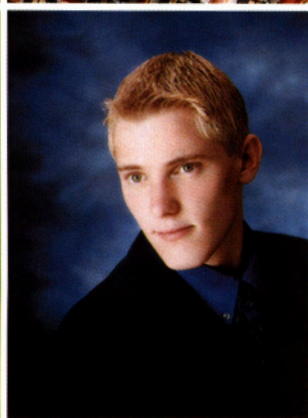
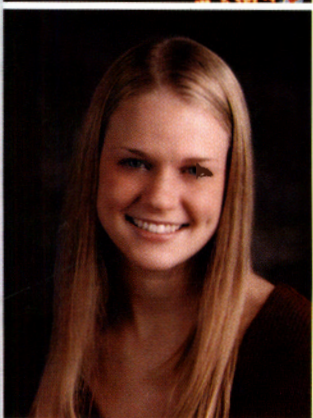
## Brent White

"My easiest class is work experience, because I don't work," said Brent White. He also supplies himself with a healthy dose of Solitaire during computer classes.

## the easiest A



When asked about their easiest class, the senior slackers recommend these options for future slackers.

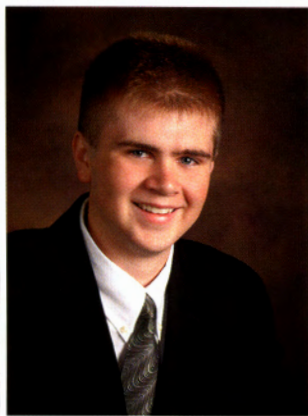




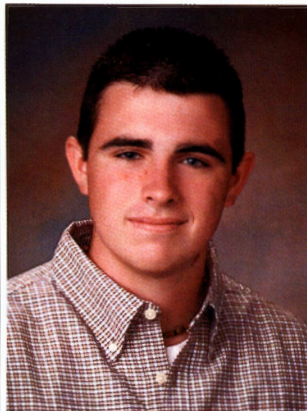
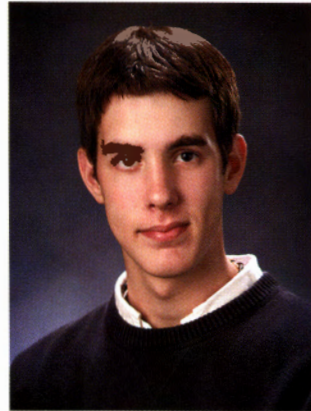
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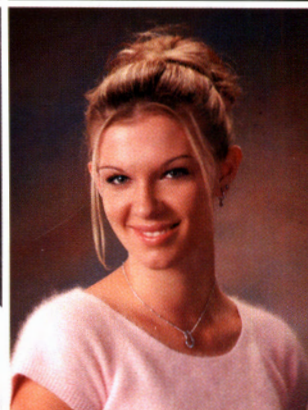
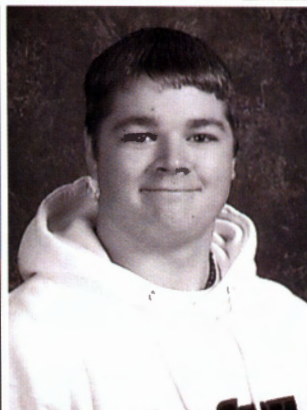
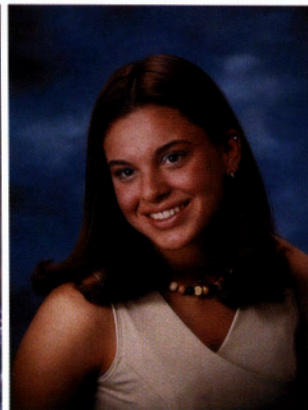
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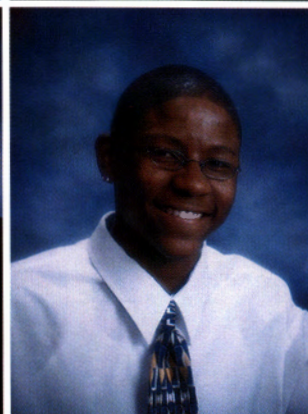
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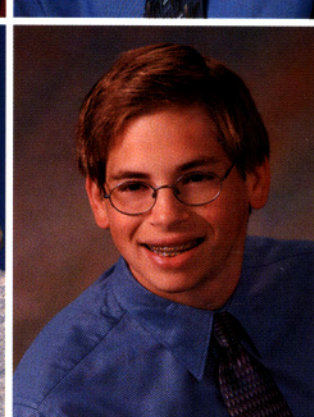
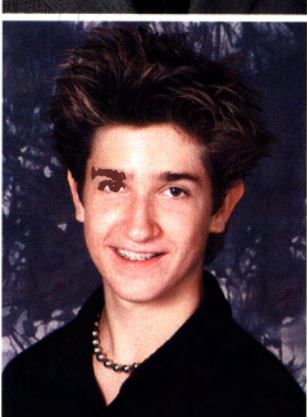
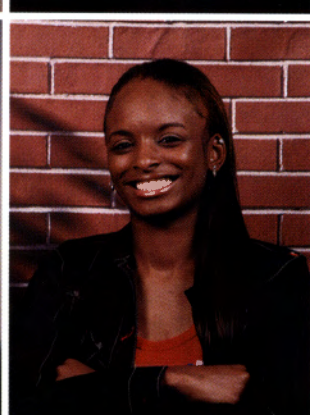
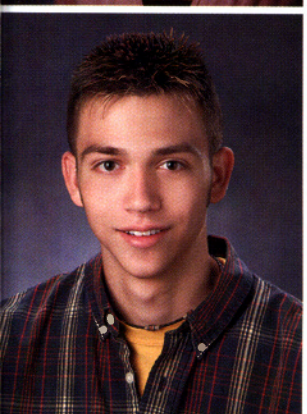
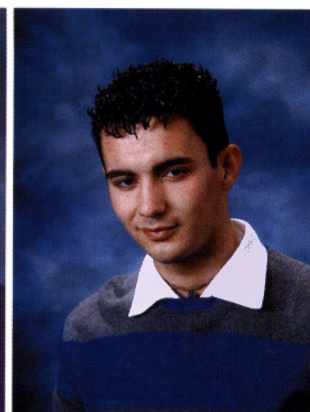
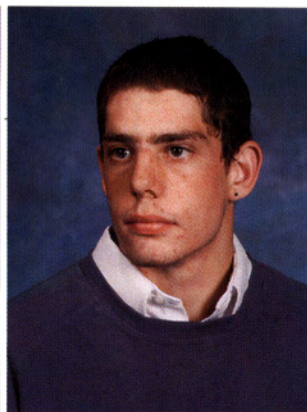
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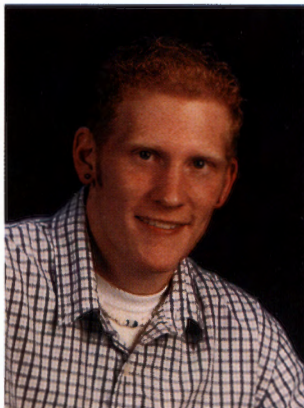




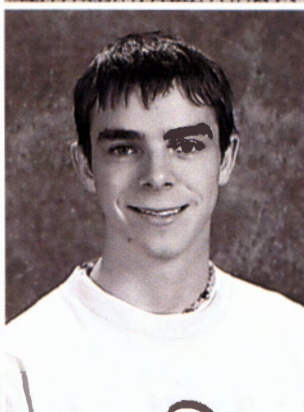
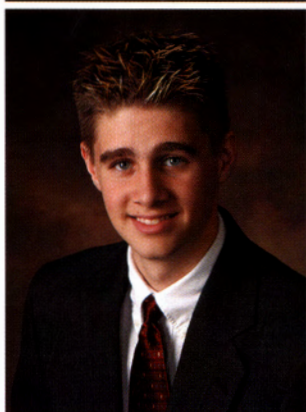




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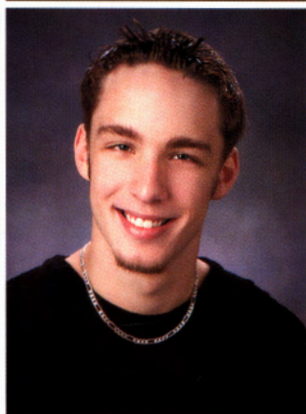
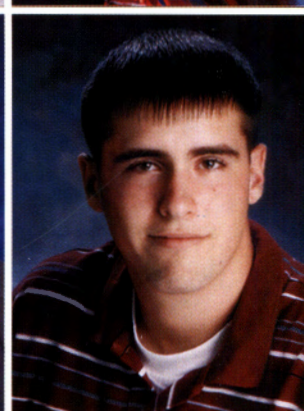


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Kristin Ziegenhagen  
James Zolnai  
Jenna Zolnai





# what it takes to be a LEADER

## what does STUDENT COUNCIL do?

- **Homecoming**
  - Parade
  - Half Time Show
  - After Game Dance
- **Arranges Dances**
  - Toys for Tots
  - Hawaiian
- **Battle of the Bands**
- **Teacher Appreciation**
- **Ice Cream Social**
- **Activity Sign Up**
- **Talent Show**
- **Winterfest**
- **Prom**

by anslee stuber-powell

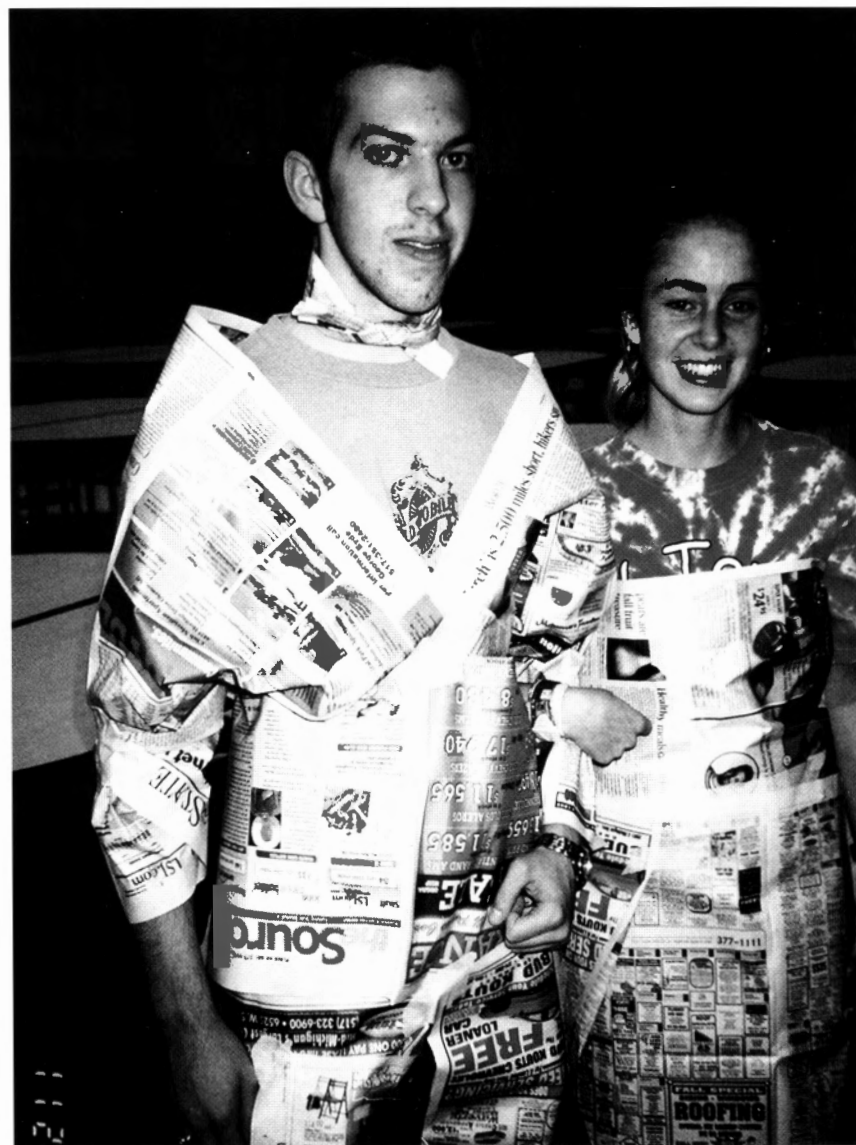
Most students love Wednesday mornings: some sleep in or go to breakfast, others wake up and finish homework from the day before. Junior Mia Theroux doesn't do any of that. Instead she wakes up around 9:00 and comes to school at 10:00 for the weekly Student Council meeting. Theroux has been a member of Student Council for two years. "I like being a leader of my class and feeling like I am involved," said Theroux.

Many students do not realize all of the activities Student Council organizes for the school. "I like seeing something start from scratch and build into a successful event. If the reaction is positive, you know that all of your hard work paid off," said Student Council President Brooke Viele.

"I AM A BETTER SWORD FIGHTER THAN MIA," exclaimed Junior **Kaitlyn Sherer**, as she has a newspaper sword fight with junior **Mia Theroux** during the annual Student Council Fall Retreat. The retreat is meant for Student Council members to talk about the activities they have already done and about future plans. "We got free pizza with lots of other food, plus we got to run around the school looking for candy canes," Sherer said. Photo by Beth Frazier



**EXTRA, EXTRA READ ALL ABOUT IT.** Senior **Brad Vermulen** and junior **Rachel Porter** are shown at the annual Student Council Fall Retreat. "We were required to show teamwork out of newspapers. I have no idea how we came up with it, but it just happened," said Vermulen. The purpose of the retreat is to build bonds within Student Council, as well as talk about upcoming events. Photo by Beth Frazier



## seniors not pictured

Melissa Anderson	Shaun Lambert	Jesse Reist
Shaun Anthony	Jacqueline Marshall	Bianca Robbins
Nikki Ayres	Brandon Martin	Derrick Robedeau
Brett Ballard	Elizabeth Mayes	William Rogers-Snodgrass
Corinne Brauer	Joseph McIntosh	Simon Samara
Samantha Brown	Steven Meersdom	Nickolus Saucedo
Cady Coolidge	Joshua Moore	Jeremy Scott
David Davison	Michelle Nguyen	Issa Sheikh-Aden
Tinnisha Densmore	Luke Nielsen	Jeremy Sproat
Erin Green	Garret Peterman	Scott Wells
Timothy Henley	Craig Rasmussen	Miranda Wigginton
Luan Huynh	Breanna Reaves	Dustin Yeadon



# 34 making the world a better PLACE

**Students all around Holt High School are being good leaders. The clubs Peer Resistance, PALS and SADD are helping to make the world a better place.**

by bethany hollern and ashley duffy

## Peer Assistance Leaders (PALS)

Have you ever, for just one day wanted to start off new, and go somewhere that no one knows your name or anything about you? That is what the PALS do every year, PALS from our school go to other schools around the area and in exchange we get a few new faces around our campus. "It's a really good idea because PALS from other schools get to see what ours is all about and vice versa, and it's a great way to meet new people," said junior Talon Ireland.

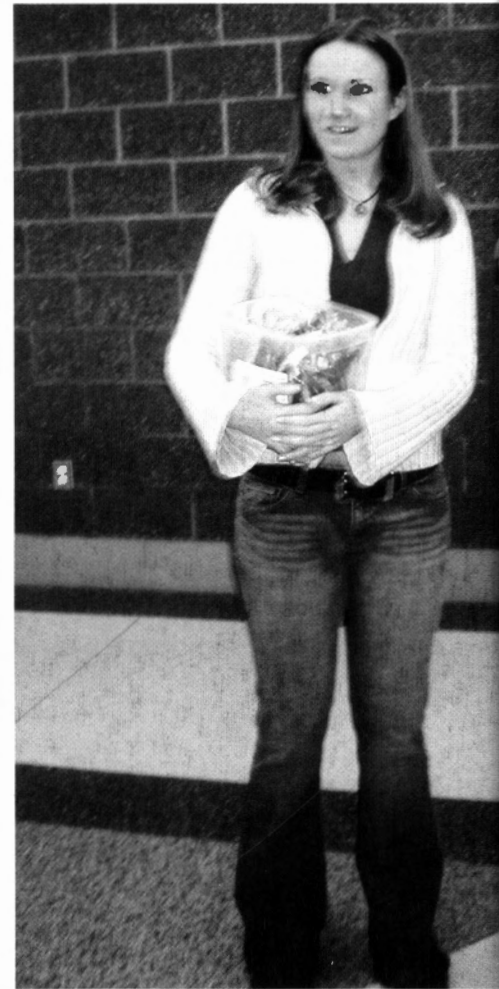
The student exchange isn't the only thing the PALS do. They also talk to the students on a day-to-day basis about their problems.

If there is anything that is bothering you, from a bad grade to a break up, you can go to the office and receive a list of all the PALS and students can pick which one you want to talk to. Any time of the day is okay to go talk to them because they are always available.

The great thing is that they have actually been trained to help students with their problems because in order to be a PAL you have to go to training for a couple days over the summer. "I really enjoyed going to the PALS training because I got to meet tons of new people and I learned what kind of advice to give to people that need it," said junior Korbi Bare.

The PALS also do the new student luncheons and the orientations for the sophomores in the beginning of the year.

**UP BRIGHT AND EARLY ON A WEDNESDAY** morning is junior **Korbi Bare**. While most students are sleeping the PAL members are at the school taking care of business. "Being a PAL has it's disadvantages, like not sleeping in on Wednesdays, but it always pays off when I get the chance to help people," said Bare. *Courtesy photo*



**"PASSING OUT CANDY DELIVERS A** good message to the students about making positive decisions," junior **Sherri Powers** said. Powers has been a member of SADD for 2 years. As the holiday break approaches it's a reminder to students that good decisions can keep you out of bad situations. *Photo by Katie Lash*



I remember how Peer Resistance had these hotties that came in when I was in 5th grade. Although I tried hard, none of them wanted to go on a date with me  
Senior Nate Parsons

There are not a lot of members in SADD this year so it is hard to think of things to do. We want to do the mock accident in the spring though.  
Junior Katie Lash

## Peer Resistance / TATU

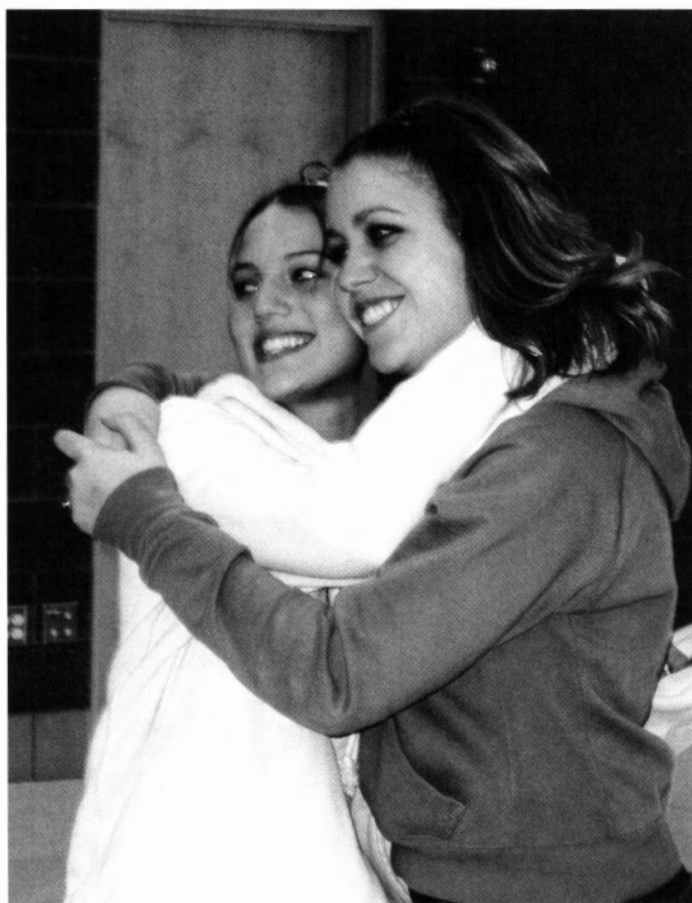
Do you remember how excited you were when the big high school students would come to your elementary school and talk to you about making good decisions. Those students were members of a club named Peer Resistance. "I remember I got a twizzler with a message on it. I really liked them passing out candy because I got to eat it when I got hungry in first hour. I also liked the positive message that was taped to it," reminisced junior Sarah Castor.

Peer Resistance and TATU (Teens Against Tobacco Use) are organizations where high school students travel to the elementary schools and warn kids about the dangers of tobacco use. They urge them not to give in to peer pressure and to avoid the harmful substance. The club is organized by Penelope Restau.

"It feels really good to know that you're helping to prevent kids from making a bad decision by using tobacco," said sophomore Kadie Hein.

## Students Against Destructive Decisions

It's seven in the morning and dark. The wind is blowing as the temperature barely reaches above freezing. As the students shuffle into the building to start off their day of school the members of SADD greet them at the door, where they receive candy with messages stapled to them. The message on the candy is to have a safe Christmas and make good decisions during the break. "The candy is a great way to start promoting good decisions because it gets the message out to everyone", said junior Keegan Long. Although there are only six members in the organization their message is still just as strong. "We try to pass out a positive message for people and plan activities like dances that are alternatives to going to parties and getting into trouble," said junior Sherri Powers.



**PEER RESISTANCE AND TATU** member, sophomore **Kadie Hein** is hugging sophomore **Tiffany Royston**. "I like being a role model for other students," said Hein. This is Hein's first year as a member of the organizations. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



## CLIMBING UP THE

**ROCKS** is intern  
**Stephanie Fizzell.**

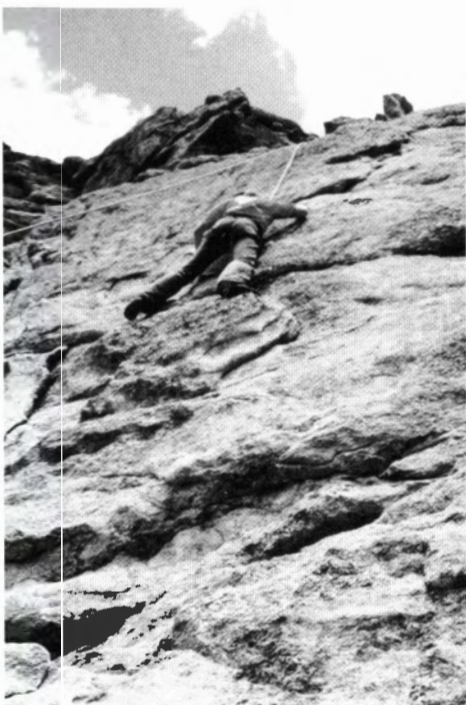
About 35 or 40 feet in the air, she is making her way even higher, with only a harness to help her if she were to slip and fall. She is taking it to the extreme. *Courtesy photo*

# Heat or Sleet

by eve ayala

Some people go away on vacation, some people hang out with their friends, and some people work, while others take it to the extreme by rock climbing, snowboarding, slush cupping, or wakeboarding. Christine Beno's intern, Stephanie Fizzell, spends her summers and winters doing all kinds of sports.

"I've always had an interest in extreme sports and my family always went skiing so I decided to convert to snowboarding." Fizzell said. "I love doing extreme sports in general because it's great to spend time outdoors and it's different than a traditional team sport, it's more challenging." Some people call it extreme, and others, think of it as challenging.



## FLYING OVER A

**BLOW-UP** whale is  
junior **Shawn Adams.**  
*Courtesy photo*

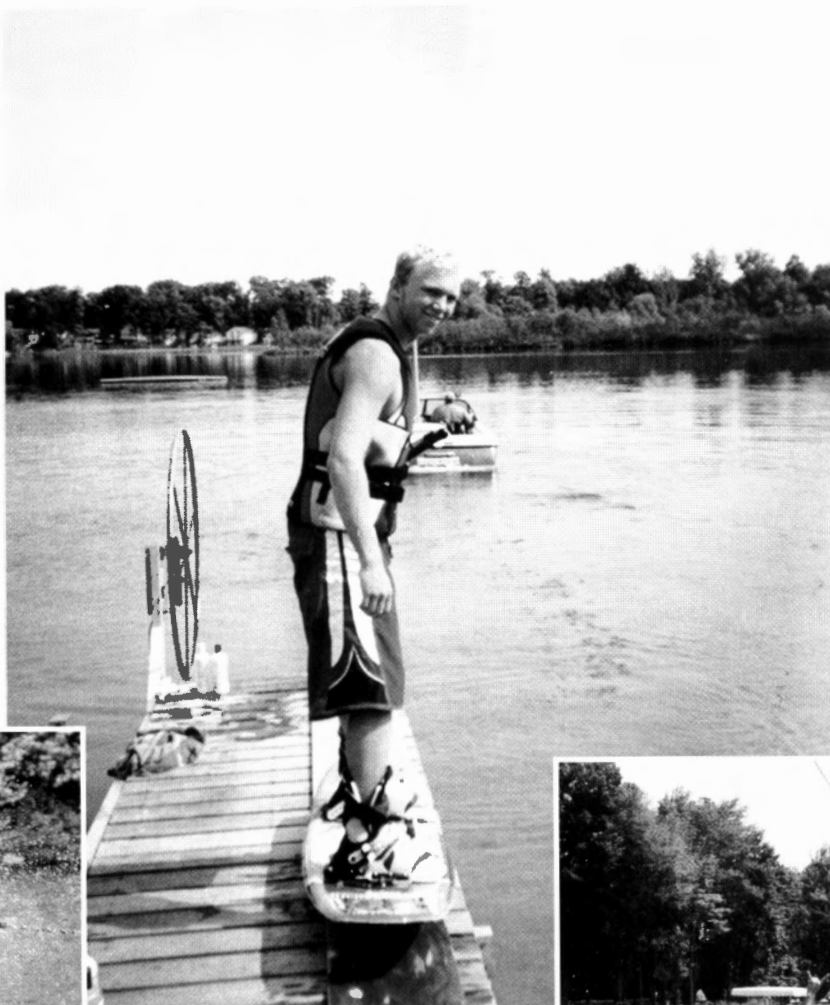




**SLIDING DOWN THE SLOPES** Stephanie Fizzell smiles at the camera making snowboarding seem easy. "I have been snowboarding for eight years," Fizzell said. "I really like snowboarding because it requires more energy than skiing and it is a great way to spend time outdoors in the winter." *Courtesy photo*



**SWITCHING IT UP** Stephanie Fizzell is slush cupping at Slush Mountain. "It's when you go down a regular race course and then you have to try to make it over a 40 foot pool of water." *Courtesy photo*



**WAITING TO GO INTO THE WATER** is junior Shawn Adams. While wakeboarding in the summer, Adams takes things to the extreme by gliding on water using only a board. "I started wakeboarding because my cousin did it and I kind of grew into it," Adams said. *Courtesy photo*

**GLIDING WITH A FRIEND** is junior Shawn Adams. As he glides in the air he smiles to the camera his friend reaches up to him. *Courtesy photo*



**SOARING OVER** the water junior Shawn Adams wakeboards. "I have been wakeboarding for 6 years now and I love it," Adams said. *Courtesy photo*





We are giving six people the chance of a lifetime. Two students from each grade were given \$10 to spend on an outfit. Impossible you say? Well, not if they have to get their ensemble at Goodwill...



**WHAT DO YOU SEE** when you look at this picture? Some people see half a smiley face first and others see a "g" first. Sophomore **Laura Wilke** said, "I always saw the face. Now that someone pointed out the "g" that's all I can see." *Logo courtesy of Goodwill Industries*

# fashion advice that's PRICELESS

by kacie dittenber & heather ugerman

## SENIORS

Josh Major  
Kelly Wilson



## Josh MAJOR

Shirt: \$1.49  
Suit: \$7.89  
Shoes: \$2.29  
Accessories: \$1.79

LOOKING TRENDY  
FOR ONLY \$11.67  
Priceless



## Kelly WILSON

Blouse: \$3.29  
Skirt: \$3.29  
Accessories: \$2.39

LOOKING TRENDY  
FOR ONLY \$8.87:  
Priceless

## JUNIORS

Adam  
Bracford  
Afton  
Bondarenko



## Afton BONDARENKO

Blouse: \$3.29  
Vest: \$1.39  
Pants: \$3.29  
Shoes: \$2.99

LOOKING TRENDY  
FOR ONLY \$10.96:  
Priceless



## Adam BRADFORD

Shirt: \$1.99  
Pants: \$3.29  
Shoes: \$2.99  
Accessories: \$.99

LOOKING TRENDY  
FOR ONLY \$9.26:  
Priceless



Students are increasingly finding Goodwill a great place to find trendy clothes. "The clothes are inexpensive, yet of a high quality. I like how they have older retro-style suits like the ones Outkast wears. You can find some fly clothes," said senior Dustin Baughman. Senior Bryan Johnson agreed: "I like their tacky shirts, and they only cost \$1.50."

The students who participated in our challenge also agreed. "I feel like Mr. Trunk," sophomore Ben Roberts said, as he tried on an older-style sweater.

"Ben looked so hot in his sweater and little white pants; I look forward to see him wearing it [to school] this year," junior Lindsay Langkamp said.

Junior Afton Bondarenko was delighted to find reindeer shoes: "I'm going to get so many guys in these sneakers."

Regardless whether they went for retro or just plain silly, all of our shoppers agreed the trip was fun. "It was like dress up," said Bondarenko.



**UNCERTAIN ABOUT WHAT TO BUY** junior **Adam Bradford** displays a pokémon shirt. Others were confused with what to buy, being there was so much of a selection. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

**LOOKING AT THE LARGE SELECTION**, juniors **Lindsay Langkamp** and **Afton Bondarenko** commented that their favorite part of the trip was finding goofy clothes to wear. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

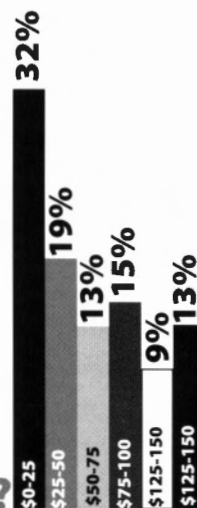


## students share their "common cents" approach to SHOPPING

266 surveyed

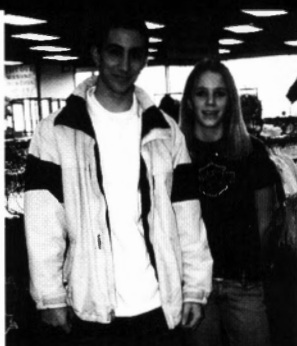
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9. Consignment stores
8. Old Navy
7. Kohls
6. Hot Topic
5. Pac Sun
4. Abercrombie
3. Target
2. Hollister
1. American Eagle

how much do you spend per month on CLOTHES?



271 surveyed

### SOPHOMORES Ben Roberts Kristen Oberst



### Ben ROBERTS

Sweater: \$3.29  
Pants: \$3.29  
Shoes: \$2.99  
Accessories: \$.99

LOOKING TRENDY  
FOR ONLY \$10.56:  
Priceless



### Kristin OBERST

Shirt: \$.99  
Skirt: \$3.29  
Shoes: \$2.99

LOOKING TRENDY  
FOR ONLY \$7.27:  
Priceless



# can't stop the SPIRIT

by jessica craft-quenby & katie dillon

People wearing pajamas, prom dresses, and tinfoil? No, it's not Halloween. It's Homecoming week, and people are showing their school spirit.

All week students showed their spirit for the Rams, leading up to the big game on Friday. With planned lunch time activities, students had a chance to fight for their class's reputation. Each day throughout the week, Student Council planned a different lunch activity and many students participated in the games. They hula hooped, did the limbo, ate baby food, and participated in many other activities to pass the time and support their class.

Excitement was in the air as the week slipped away until finally Friday arrived. At the school pep rally, all the fall sports teams introduced themselves and gave an update on their team's progress. Homecoming King and Queen nominees and those on court participated in games until King Nick Neumann and Queen Kelly Robinson were finally announced in a frenzy of balloon popping fun.

Cloudy skies threatened the outcome of the evening, but students didn't let that dampen their spirits. Many members of the community came to watch each grade's float as it passed by. With their Monopoly-themed float, the junior class broke the senior class float's winning streak. The seniors' float had a Candy Land theme; sophomores went under the knife with Operation; and freshman participated with Mouse Trap.

The highly anticipated game was alive and everyone's spirits were high. The team performed well, but their efforts were in vain. Everett came out on top with a score of 14 - 7. "It was a disappointment. It was the first time we lost to them in a decade; we didn't play as well as we should have. We didn't block as many passes as we should have," said Nick Neumann.

Even the team's loss couldn't crush our spirits as the evening continued with the dance, which was held in the commons. Despite problems with lighting the students made the best of their first dance at the new school. "They announced the Homecoming court and we all danced for a song, but the lights kept turning on and off," said sophomore Audry Dowell.



#### AS THE SENIORS' TIE-DYE SHIRTS

hung at Vahalla Park, the seniors waited and discussed the upcoming week. Every year the seniors gather and make their traditional brown and gold shirts that they wear Friday for class color day. They also decorate Burger King crowns to wear. Photo by Katie Dillon

#### SENIORS NICK NEUMANN AND KELLY ROBINSON

were crowned Homecoming king and queen. Immediately after being crowned, Neumann dashed off to the locker rooms to be with his team and to hear Coach Smith's words of wisdom. Photo by Katie Dillon



**AS THE HOMECOMING COURT CHEERED** each other on at the pep rally held during sixth hour, they spun around the bat and raced down the track just to run back again to tag their teammate. It was a boys vs. girls challenge and the girls prevailed and beat the boys by mere seconds. Photo by Heather Piper





**GATHERED AT THE PEP RALLY,** seniors, juniors, sophomores, and, for the first time, freshmen, cheered on their class in the planned activities. Students ran back to school when the threatening clouds broke and drizzled them with rain. *Photo by John Zdankiewicz.*

homecoming

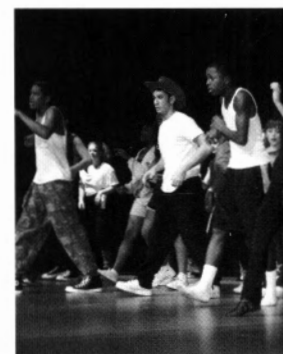
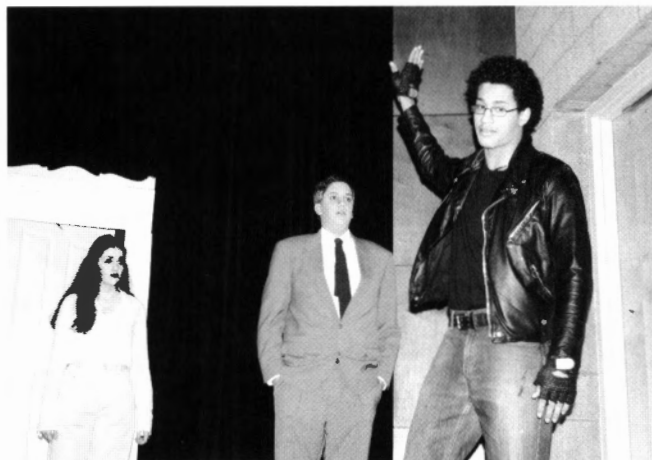
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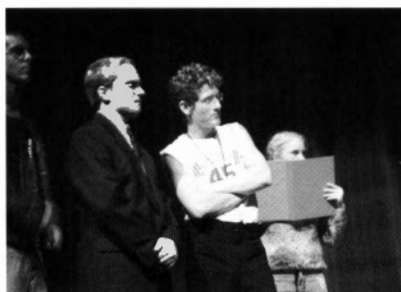
**HULA HOOPING IN THE COMMONS** on the second day of spirit week is junior **Dexter Baker**. Each day involved a different activity that students participated in during lunch, ranging from doing the limbo to eating baby food out of a diaper. *Photo by Anslee Stuber-Powell*



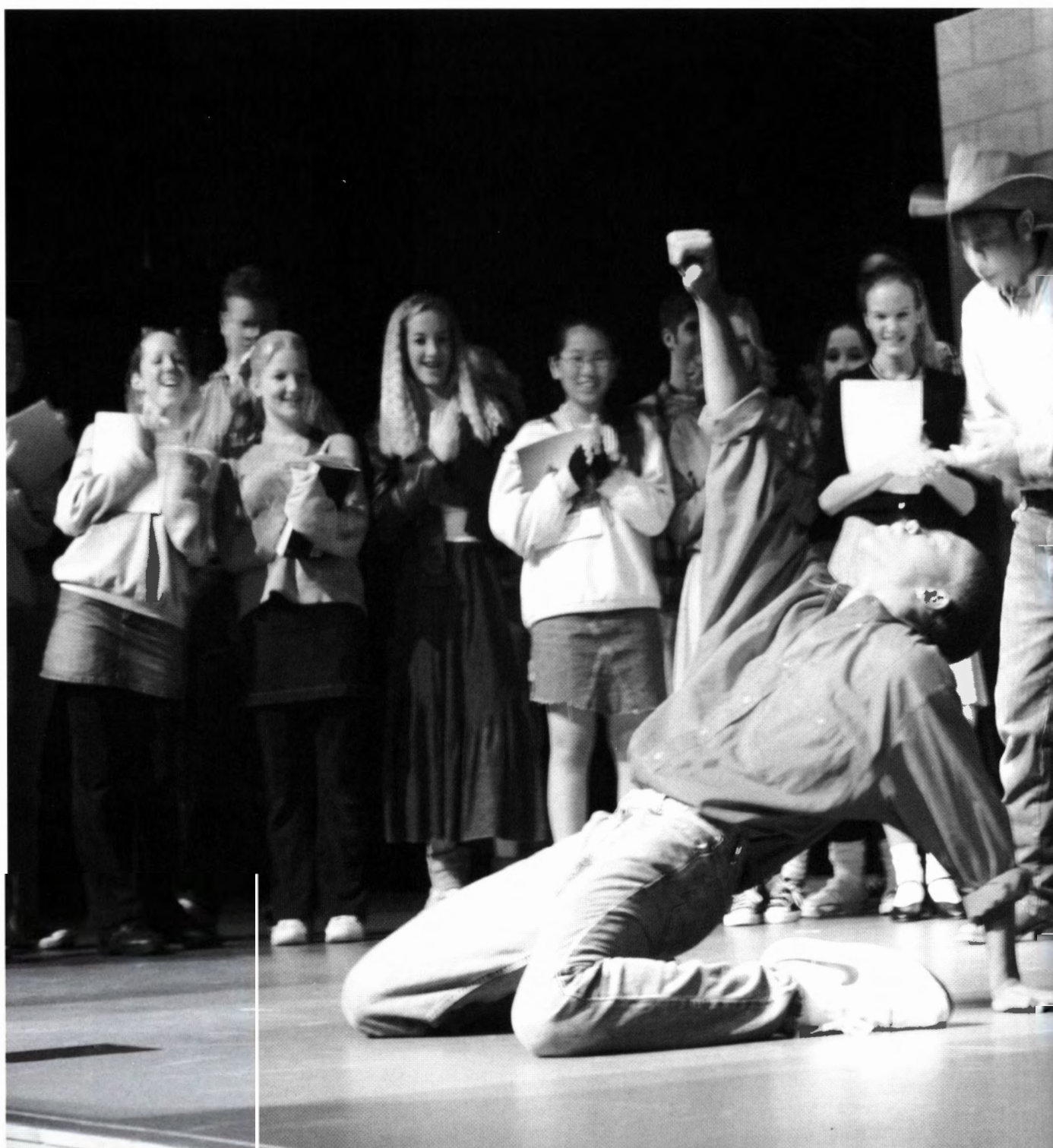
**SENIOR ANTHONY BOGGUS** blows off the parents of his on-stage girlfriend. The parents, played by junior **Ben Hayhurst** and freshman **Elizabeth Aylsworth**, disapproved of the relationship because of Boggus' character's rebellious life style. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



**FEAR AND LOATHING** in Chicago, as seniors **Phill Daneff** and **Mike Lawson** stare down the skeptical in the high school of Beaumont. Daneff has worked with played for several years now, and played Principal Harry Clark, as Lawson played Coach Roger Dunbar. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



**BREAKING IT DOWN** is **Jerrod Howlett**, who played Ren McCormack, during this years musical. His amazing performance threw him into the limelight for his first year in the new high school. Photo by John Zdankiewicz







**EVERYBODY TOGETHER NOW** the whole cast of *Footloose* comes out dancing during the show, each step performed together like glue. Extensive practice after school helped perfect their moves. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



# everybody kick off your **Sunday** **SHOES**

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by john zdankiewicz

With a shuffle and a skip and a knock of the hip, and that's just backstage. The talented students who partook in this year's musical, *Footloose*, showed their fancy footwork to hundreds of people over the course of three nights.

Directed by choir teacher Monty Bishop, a solid performance was put on by cast and crew. Even some of the younger actors and actresses helped in the show.

But, not all was well. On opening night, the major role of Willard, played by junior John Quasarano, limped instead of skipped because of an unfortunate car accident right after school let out. Quasarano said, "Even though I was hurt, I felt I could rise through adversity, come to the top, and put on the best show ever." Obviously, Quasarano pulled through despite his injuries and the show was a hit.

In addition to injury, the cast and crew were faced with the challenge of new surroundings. The crew adapted well. The giant sound board and advanced lighting system would intimidate almost anyone. But the lighting was perfect, the sound crystal clear, and everything was set. "I got everything done," said senior Will Dunlap "I can't talk about other people."

Aside from the near tragedy, everyone enjoyed themselves with the production. "It's so wonderful just to be able to get on stage and with these people that you know are your friends, and we all just get really close during rehearsals," said senior Carly Skubick.

It was perhaps the challenges that helped bring the cast closer together. "Most of the time we do have enough preparation time, but there wasn't a lot of stuff here on time," said Phill Daneff, a senior who played the principal in the musical. In spite of their struggles, or maybe because of them, the cast and crew produced a show to be proud of.



**SWEET SOUNDS** senior **Carly Skubick** and junior **Shannon Bonney** sing "Holding Out For A Hero" in the Burger Blast scene. They played Ariel Moore and Rusty, respectively. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



**LEGENDS REBORN:** senior **Brian Johnson** stands in the limelight as the "Jaymz Hetfield" of his band, Metal Shark Tiger (left). Junior **Nick Williams** and senior **Kevin Stowe** rock the cosmos with their thundering performance (middle, right).  
*Photos by John Zdankiewicz*



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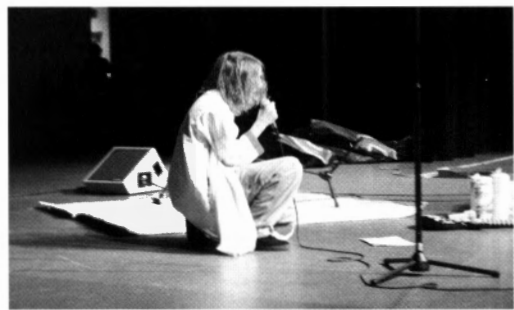
What started with a disaster, ended with a victory as the acoustic talents of Ether pulled out on top, as judged by teachers Craig and Kellie Huhn, Mohawk of Q106 radio, and local musician Jesse Young. The musical duo dropped their tube PA system during the practice, causing a ruckus in their original plan. Cool headed, sophomore Brandon Baxter and sophomore Jacob Bonotto linked into the theater sound system and put on a perfectly clear performance. When asked about the victory, Baxter said, "I was surprised because we were only a sophomore band, and it was our first year playing. We didn't even expect to win." Bonotto, who handles the musical aspect of the band is a man of few words; his only reaction being: "Wow."

Aside from Ether's near tragedy, the first Battle of the Bands in the new theater system went by nearly flawless. Bands Bloody Throat, Last Tragedy, Eastern Skyline, Dead End New Jersey, and Metal Shark Tiger tore up the stage with performances ranging from the funny to the phenomenal. Junior Nick Williams blazed across the fretboard with an amazing solo, while senior Nick Noble "gracefully" danced across stage for Bloody Throat. Junior Greg Rudawski, drummer and vocals for Eastern Skyline, got many of the "he's hot" comments from the lady fans. A common favorite among people who attended, Eastern Skyline, consisting of Greg Rudawski, junior Roy Kirby (guitar/vocals), and sophomore Shaun Spivak (bass) played very well, though they "didn't try to win," according to Spivak.

Dead End New Jersey, of whom the only Holt student is sophomore bassist Kevin Judy, got a respectable third, and local new comers Last Tragedy earned second place. One of the more entertaining performances was Bloody Throat, with dancers Noble and junior Stephen Spinner dressed in a priests cloak and a pink poodle outfit. The interpretative dance performance was backed by senior Zack Buck's keyboard skills and senior Kyle Nabbefeld's original song and voice.

Now the only thing left is the future. "I'm confident about playing next year," says Bonotto "because now I know we have the talent and desire to win."

**WELCOME TO THE STRANGE:** senior **Kyle Nabbefeld** and Bloody Throat displayed a different approach to the crowd with their large banner, original compositions, and their very own personal dancers. *Photo by John Zdankiewicz*





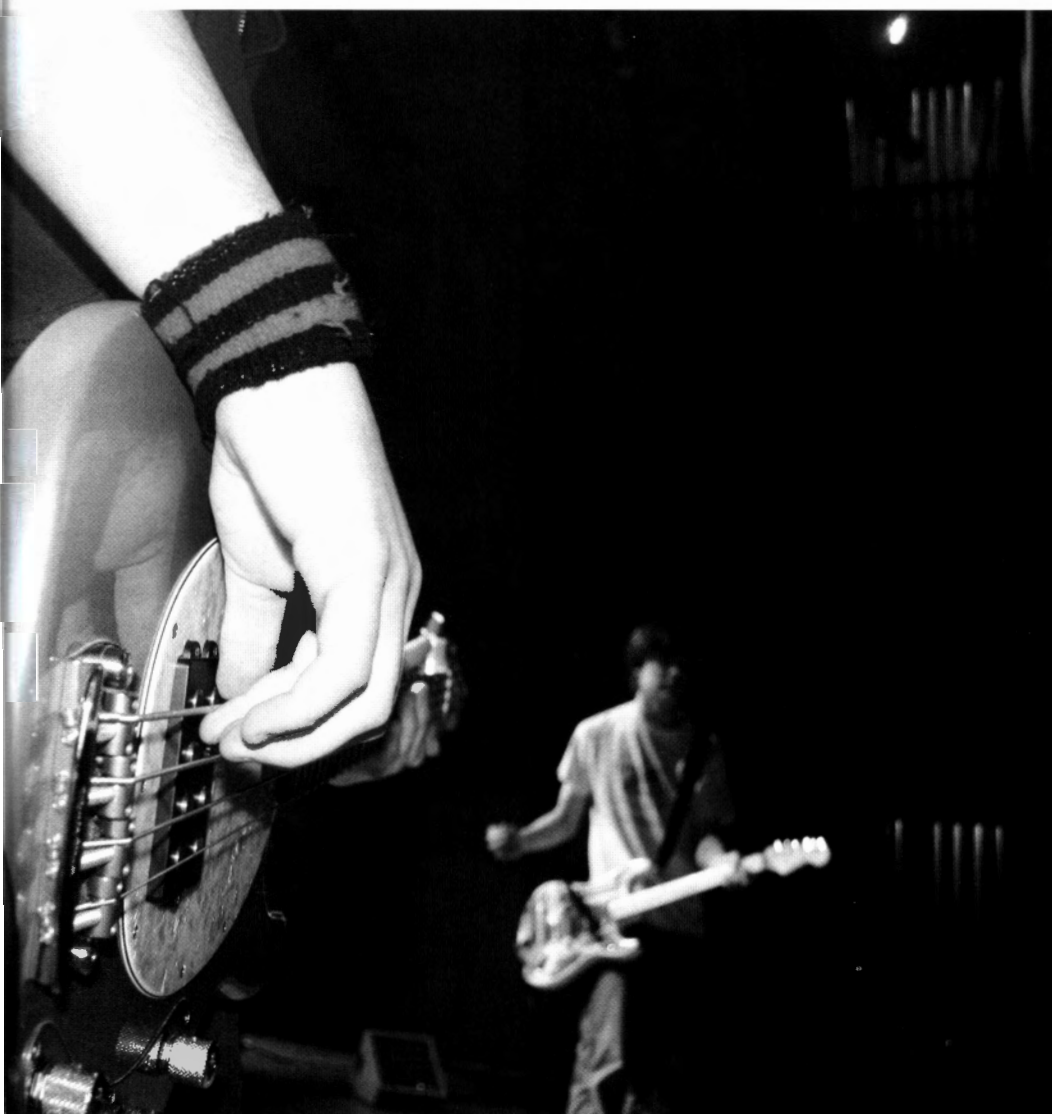


**SEEING THE LIGHT:** sophomore **Shawn Spivak** plays his bass for Eastern Skyline in this photo, which he calls his "Linkin Park" shot. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



**GLORY TO THE KINGS:** sophomore **Brandon Baxter** sings into the mic with Ether, the victors of the 2003 Battle of the Bands. His acoustic and vocal skills won over the judges this year. Their highly original set also pleased the audience that night. Photo by John Zdankiewicz

**ALL IN THE WRIST:** sophomores **Shawn Spivak** (left) and **Roy Kirby** (right) play with fire as they tear up the stage with Eastern Skyline. The local favorite plays many shows including the local coffee shop, Van Java. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



## from beginning to **END**

"The Battle of the Bands was our best show so far," said senior Jamison Russ, guitarist and backing vocals for new local legends, The Last Tragedy. Since August, Russ and senior Brent White started the group after leaving their previous group, Dykstra, due to creative differences. White, who plays drums for The Last Tragedy, brought in Dustin Cook (bass), Kyle Matheny (guitar), and Jeremy Mason (vocals) to round off the edges.

Unfortunately, tragedy struck when Kyle left the band for unknown reasons. Fortunately, White's brother, Sean (who attends Lansing Community College along with Mason), jumped in to play guitar in place of Matheny.

Influenced by bands such as Thursday, Thrice, Blindside, and Deftones, The Last Tragedy is a blend of rock, hardcore, and emotional music. The name came about when senior Curtis Lafond was throwing around ideas and The Last Tragedy popped out.

The band's first show was at Riverview Church. "I expected us to be good," said White, and they were. After all the line up changes, The Last Tragedy is improving from beginning to end.



# rolling through a **winter** WONDERLAND



**THIS YEAR'S WINTERFEST KING AND QUEEN** take the time to dance to the music. Senior **Serina Mazzoni** stated "I was really surprised when I found out that I won because I didn't even think that I would get on court." Senior **Nick Kyriakopoulos** said, "I was really surprised I was chosen, but I enjoyed it. I liked winterfest a lot because my two best friends were on court with me and it was a good time. The dance was awesome since I got to bust out the moves I practiced with the dance team." Photo by Dani Dimmitt

by sara bullion

Remember that speech given at the end of the pep assembly during spirit week? Senior Ben Trentham decided to let the whole school know what was on his mind about miracles, in light of the varsity basketball team's game against Grand Ledge. "Don't you think that it's ironic that when the movie 'Miracle' comes out this weekend?" Trentham asked in an inspiring speech to the crowd.

This year spirit week consisted of Era Day, College Day, Winter Apparel Day, Brown and Gold Spirit Day, and Hat Day. The activities during lunches were carnival games, a Krispy Kreme donut-eating contest, Fear Factor, and Holt Idol. Sophomore Shaun Spivak said, "I did the donut contest because I wanted free donuts. It was cool that I won, but I really didn't care whether I won or not. It was hard for my opponent Jennifer Fisher because she had braces."

Senior Brittany Turner was one of quite a few people who participated in the Karaoke contest. "I love to sing and it was really fun since I got to sing with my friends and help spirit in the school. It was fun to actually do instead of being out in the crowd," Turner said. After the outstanding success of the Karaoke contest, principal Brian Templin agreed to have Karaoke throughout the year as a way of building the school community and spirit.

The seniors on this year's Winterfest court were Serina Mazzoni, Beth Mastin, Jennie Hill, Katie Covello, Nick Kyriakopoulos, Ben Trentham, Chad Cole, and Kenny Fellows. The votes from all of the students made Mazzoni and Kyriakopoulos the king and queen. The junior representatives were Kate Brewer, Rachel Fessenden, Liz Huber, Jerrod Howlett, Greg Rudawski, and Tyler Holtz. The sophomores were represented by Jamie Patterson, Laura Mastin, Valerie Foy, Brandon Holybee, Kevin Judy, and Kirk Trentham. "I really didn't care about being on court, but I thought that it was cool that I was nominated by teachers," sophomore Jamie Patterson said.

Student Council worked hard to make this year's winterfest a success. Advisor Matt Trunk said, "I thought spirit week was fun and the dance, overall, was fun. We need to keep working harder each year to get more people involved in these things because I think some people feel that they're not."

**AND THE WINNER OF THE KRISPY KREME** donut contest for the seniors is... **Rustin Foley!** After chowing down almost a dozen box full of donuts, Foley stands up and shows off his new shirt as he finishes up a bite of a donut. "It was all good. I did the contest because I thought it would be fun. Like I was gonna lose," Foley said. Photo by Sara Bullion



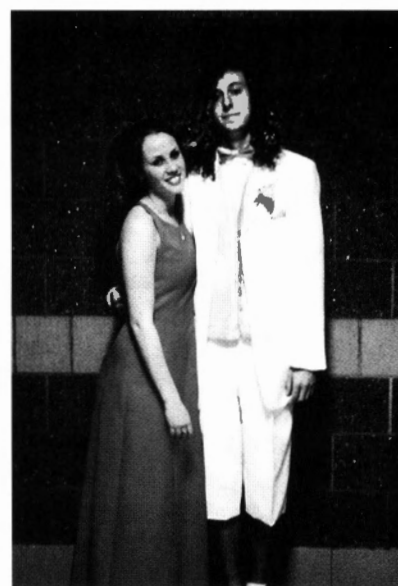




**PUT YOUR STOMACH ON THE SCOOTER AND** roll. That's what students on the court had to do during the pep rally. Sophomore **Laura Mastin** shows off her muscle strength as she rolls her way around the cones. "It was a lot of fun but I thought that I was going to fall on my face and make a fool of myself," Mastin said. Photo by Sara Bullion



## the view from the COURTSIDE



**SHOWING THEIR PEARLY** whites off to the camera, Sophomores **Valerie Foy** and **Kevin Judy** stop to take a quick picture. "I thought it was cool being nominated by teachers instead of students because it shows that the teachers chose role models instead of having the students choosing people through popularity," Foy said. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



**TWO OF THIS YEAR'S** junior winterfest court members, **Kate Brewer** and **Jerrod Howlett**, stop dancing to pose for the camera. "The dance was a lot of fun. It was really cool for me because I usually don't go to dances or school events," Brewer said. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



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# learn



# LEARNING:

## AUDITORY, KINESTHETIC AND VISUAL

### WHAT STYLE WORKS FOR YOU?



**BEING A KINESTHETIC LEARNER** means spending more time on work for junior **Katie Rouse**. Sometimes in order to understand something Rouse has to work herself through the material time and time again. *Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby*

by heather piper and jessica craft-quenby

Does your learning style match the teaching style of your teacher? Do you ever feel confused by the way that your teacher presents the information needed in class? Many teachers choose to present the information taught in a visual manner, which may create a disadvantage for auditory and kinesthetic learners.

Everyone has an ability to learn in many different ways. Auditory learners can accurately remember details of information during conversations or lectures. They have strong communicational skills. Because of a "fine tuned ear" they can find learning a foreign language quite easy.

The most common learners, visual learners, easily make images from the words they hear and read. Their mental images rapidly recall words they need to recognize during a written test.

Lastly, kinesthetic learners are often well coordinated and have a strong sense of timing and body movement. They frequently tap their feet, wiggle their feet, or move their legs when they sit.

Although many people learn in different ways, most often more than one learning style is used by an individual. What is important is to understand your strength and use strategies that match your learning style.

#### **SCHOOL STATISTICS:**

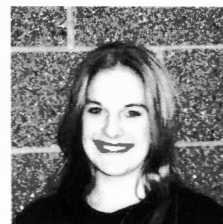
**45%** are Visual Learners

**17%** are Auditory Learners

**38%** are Kinesthetic Learners

(Based on 100 surveys)

#### **HOW DO YOU STUDY FOR A TEST?**



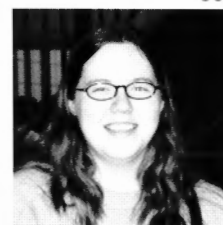
Junior **Jenna Smith**

"I can see the notes in my head when I take a test."

"I just take notes on what the teacher says and I look them over."



Sophomore **Chris Case**



Junior **Kristi Riley**

"I listen to my music and I go over my notes. When I play basketball and when I shoot I try to think about information so I remember it."



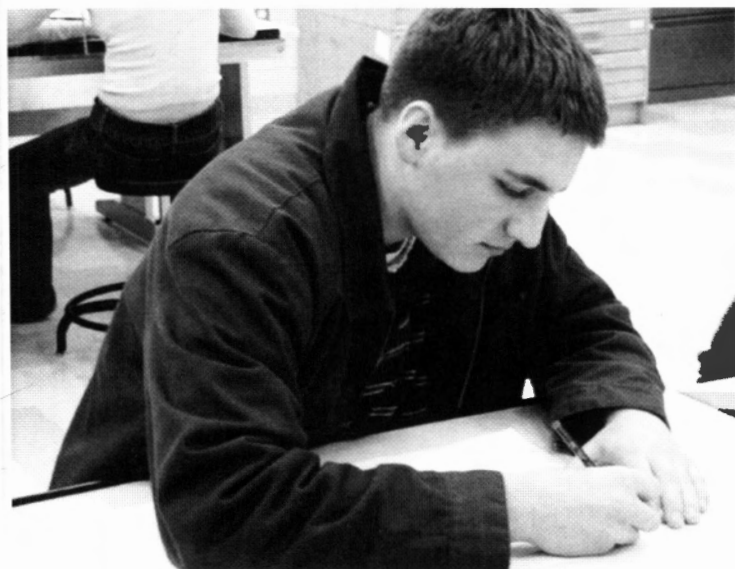
Sophomore **Alan W. Scheall**





#### **WHILE WORKING**

on a computer junior **Chris Cline** listens to his music. Listening to music during class time can be an advantage to auditory learners because it helps them concentrate better. *Photo by Heather Piper*



#### **SOPHOMORE JACOB BONOTTO**

works on a project for **Patty Pisano's** Drawing class. Art classes tend to appeal more to kinesthetic learners because they get to use their hands. *Photo by Heather Piper*



#### **SOPHOMORE RYAN BORT** learns a math problem in **Mike Lehman's** Honors FST class by having fellow classmate sophomore **Andrew Quebberman**

explain it to him on the dry erase board. Visual learners tend to learn better by having the information shown to them. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*



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# HOLA HALLO BONJOUR

by bethany hollern and sara bullion

Have you ever wanted to speak a different language and have people not understand what you were saying? Well the members of Spanish Club, French Club and German Club not only take the classes at school, they also spend time outside of class speaking the languages and doing activities together.

The French Club is organized by Sandy Bernier. "The first day of French Club was fun because they gave us cookies," said sophomore Megan Massa. Members of the French Club also went on a field trip to a museum in Chicago to see the artwork of French Impressionist Painter Claude Monet. They also spent time at the Water Tower and got a little shopping done. "The field trip to Chicago was a lot of fun," said sophomore Lindsey Konzman. French Club hasn't met that often this year but when they do meet, it's on Wednesdays during activity period. The reason that they haven't met as often as they would like is that there wasn't a French 4 class this year, so Sandy Bernier hasn't been in touch with the club's representatives. "Only 11 people signed up for the class," said Sandy Bernier.

German Club has already gone on a field trip to Frankenmuth. "Even though it was really cold outside, the field trip to Frankenmuth was a blast," sophomore Allison Vanderberg said. Besides going to Frankenmuth, members of German Club have done more fun activities. "We went Christmas caroling and we are designing t-shirts for ourselves right now," said sophomore Kacie Dittenber. Many members of German Club think that the organizer of it, Frau Peters, is "really fun and cool."

The organizer of Spanish Club is Juanita Grew. "We've met on Wednesday mornings for activity periods a couple of times, and we went out to eat at Maximo's one night," junior Erin Belt said. Although they haven't had too many meetings, the members enjoy having something fun to do in their free time with the club.

**SHOWING OFF THEIR GERMAN DRESSES AT THE** Liederkrantz Club are sophomores **Amanda Hancock** and **Katie Shaw**. "We ate a lot and we danced a lot. We also had a costume contest, but I lost," Hancock said. This is Hancock's second year taking German. *Courtesy photo*



**AWW HE'S HUGGING** Santa somewhere in Frankenmuth. "I had a lot of fun and good times there," junior **Bryon Carr** said. Carr is taking German because he wanted to experience good times. *Courtesy photo*



**GOOFING AROUND WITH** some fake gnomes at Bronner's in Frankenmuth, a student from the German club poses just for the camera. "Frankenmuth was a lot of fun and I would definitely do it again," junior **Ben Noble** said. Noble claims to be taking German because he has already taken Spanish and French in eighth grade. *Courtesy photo*



# LANGUAGE CLUBS

## Why did you decide to be in a language club?

"I'm taking Spanish as a class and I thought it would be cool to be in the club. I know that a lot of people speak it, and it seemed easy, so I wanted to learn how," said junior **Erin Belt**.



"I'm in the German club because both of my brothers took German and Frau Peters is AWESOME! I also knew that we would get to go to Frankenmuth and I've been there before so I knew it'd be fun," said sophomore **Amy Shinkel**.



"My grandpa can speak French fluently so I learned to really like the language. It's also cool to say stuff to my younger sisters and have them not understand what I'm saying," said sophomore **Kathleen Darbor**.





# get out of CLASS

by dani dimmitt

Students in high school have found ways to make the best of their high school experience. Some have taken advantage of the Capitol Area Career Center, and the Dual Enrollment courses offered through the school. Other students have taken classes in the summer through MSU's High Achiever program where they can receive college credit in a smaller class environment that costs significantly less. Some students take advantage of classes through Lansing Community College to get college credit before they graduate either during or after school. The most extreme and exciting case is going to another country where a student can not only learn the basics, but learn about a culture and a language that they could never experience at home through student exchange programs.

## Capital Area Career Center

### Available Courses

- News Media
- Business and Administration Services
- Banking and Finance
- Marketing and Management
- Programming Databases & Internet Development
- Systems, Networks & Internet Development
- Computer Maintenance/Network Technician
- Computer System Essentials
- Culinary Arts
- Hospitality
- Auto Body
- Auto Technology
- Construction Trades
- Electronics
- Precision Machining Technology
- Technical/Mechanical Drafting
- Welding Technology
- Health Occupations
- Medical Office Occupations
- Histotechnology
- Cosmetology
- Custodial Services

### Featured Career: Cosmetology

**GOOFING OFF DURING FREE TIME** are juniors **Shanna Page** and **Danyel Bozzo** and their friends from East Lansing and Okemos. "It's really fun getting to know people from other schools," said Bozzo. *Courtesy Photo*

**PRACTICING THEIR NAIL SKILLS** are junior **Shanna Page** and friends from other schools. "It's so fun learning all of the stuff. I always do hair and nails and now it's cool that I can get paid for all the stuff I like to do," said Page. *Courtesy Photo*





# Exchange Students

## Stephanie Somic

"The school here is big and to leave class you need a pass and in Germany you don't."

**Germany**

## Fanny Quandt

"I like the friendly and open people, but I don't like the bread much."

**Germany**

## Moritz Werschler

"What I don't like (about this country) is that you don't have buses and trains to travel with. Here you always need somebody with a car. And you don't have any mountains, everything is flat."

**Switzerland**

## Anne Duckstein (not pictured)

"We have no dress code in school [in Germany]. Nobody cares what we wear. School is not half as much fun as here."

**Germany**

## Yassinta Sutarno

"The students here have been pretty good to me. They always want me to talk because of my accent and it gets annoying."

**Australia**

## Nils Muentner

"I like how the stores are open 24/7. I like the school, but I don't like how everything is so spread out."

**Germany**

## Marja-Liisa Kiefer

"America is different because we don't have six hours, we have thirteen subjects."

**Germany**

## Erica Gasparini

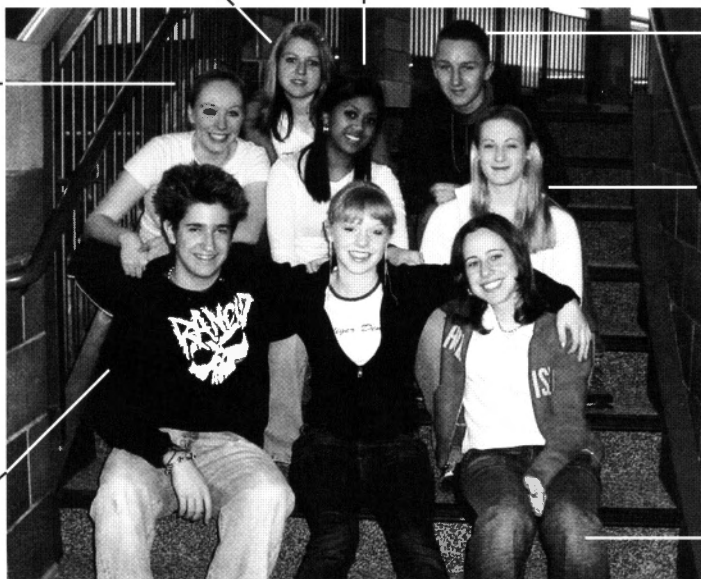
"Everything about America is different! The food, the streets, the houses and the weather."

**Brazil**

## Svenja Adamek

"In America everything is bigger. The school system is different and in Germany we don't have as much patriotism."

**Germany**



*Photo by Beth Keyes*

# Dual Enrollment



**WHO:** Dani Bennington

**WHAT:** French at LCC

**WHY:** "I wanted to take another year of French so I wouldn't forget everything before I tested out of it."



**WHO:** Katie Lamphier

**WHAT:** Philosophy, Critical Thinking and Logic at LCC.

**WHY:** "It leads into the Forensic Psychology, which I plan on going into."



**WHO:** Rachel Wrinkesmith

**WHAT:** Audio Production at LCC

**WHY:** "I want to have my own recording studio and this teaches about the engineering behind recording."



**WHO:** Whitney Aldrich

**WHAT:** Astronomy at LCC

**WHY:** "I'm interested in the field."

*William Lienhart is also dually enrolled, but is not at school during times convenient to be interviewed.*



# interns

by jeremy overton

Every year you walk into at least one classroom with two teachers, the teacher and the infamous intern. The concept of learning from a teacher who is still learning is a bit weary at times, but you as well as the interns can learn a lot from the situations.

"I like having interns because most times they are more laid back than the teachers," said sophomore Tim Liles.

Still, as high school students who can't wait to graduate, many of us cannot understand why anybody would want to be a teacher or even spend some of their college year at high school again. "It's fun but it's different because you're in high school but you're not," said Stephanie Fizzell, an intern with Christine Beno.

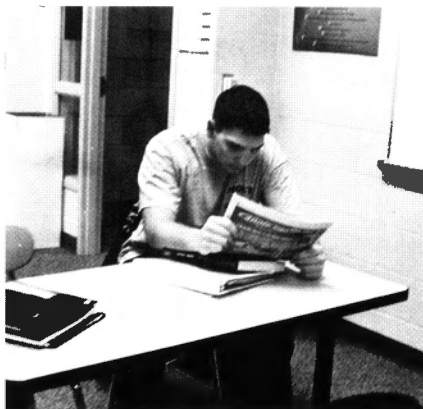
**W**hile the biggest benefit of having an intern is that we get to talk about everything we do and they bring in ideas, and I get to think about why I do the things I do.

**Craig Huhn**

**ANSWERING QUESTIONS** in a class discussion is intern **Shawn Gedert**. Gedert interned for **Laura Kueffner** during the year. "He's a sweet teacher and explains a lot," said sophomore **Dennis Reich**.



**EATING LUNCH WITH FELLOW TEACHERS** is **Mark Sharp**. Student interns have to pay full price for lunch everyday but get to enjoy it in the teacher's lounge. Photo by Jeremy Overton.



**ANSWERING A QUESTION** for a student during a quiz is intern **Sarah Marks**. Marks interned for Jon Harmon and "loved to see her students achieve." She decided to go into teaching during her sophomore year of college. Photo by Jeremy Overton

# academic helproom

## GETTING HELP FROM MIKE

**BAUER** is senior Zach Buck early Wednesday morning. Buck showed up at 10 AM for help on science. The academic helproom was open to students of all grades Tuesdays after school and Wednesday mornings. Photo by Nathan Parsons.



## BEING ASSISTED BY INTERN AYE-SHA AHMAD

early one Wednesday morning is junior **Dani Dimmitt**. The academic helproom was open during first semester but stopped because of the interns' busy schedules. Photo by Katie Dillon



## How much have your teachers learned?

A survey was given out to all of the teachers and of those who participated, these were the numbers of degrees they had earned.

Bachelors	59
Masters	44
Education Specialist	2
Doctorate	5



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by dani dimmitt

## Holly's Profile

### Favorite things to do:

Shopping, hanging out with friends, watching football games, scrapbooking, skiing, sledding, jet skiing, hanging out with her boyfriend, junior Mike Gleason.

"I love to ski, my favorite place to go skiing is at Nub's Nob. But we usually just go to Brighton because it's closer. I love scrapbooking and my favorite place to shop for supplies is Pages in Time," said Holly.

"I don't play any sports anymore, I used to play softball though. I love to watch sports. My favorite sport is football. I love to go to Holt's football games, I even made a shirt that says 'Gleason's Girl on it!' said Holly.

### Friends:

"She's a really good friend, super bubbly and she makes things fun!" said friend junior Jamie Dadd.

"Holly is the mom of our group!" said friend junior Korbi Bare.

"Holly is the nicest person, she's so generous and she'll do anything for you!" said friend junior Katelyn Sherer.

### Mike:

They have been together since freshman year.

"He is so sweet and he's really funny," said Holly.

"She's the funniest person I know...besides me!" said Mike.

### Classes:

"My favorite types of classes are business classes. I have taken all of the business classes with Mr. Knechtal. I'm in Retail Management, which is the school store. It's really fun," said Holly.

**LAST HUGS OF GOOD LUCK** was part of Holly's support for her boyfriend junior **Mike Gleason** during the football season. "It was so great having her there, she has tons of school spirit!" said Gleason. *Courtesy Photo*

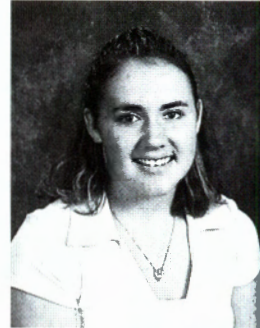
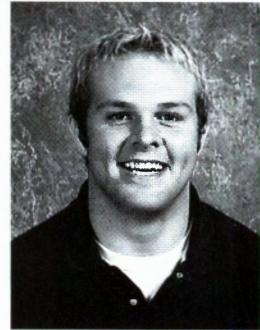


**HANGING OUT WITH** her friends juniors **Korbi Bare, Jamie Dadd and Kaitlyn Sherer** at a Holt Rams football game., Holly is always the devoted fan. She figures she only missed one home game, and it was only a half! "It was way too cold; I was frozen!" said Schoenbachler. *Courtesy Photo*

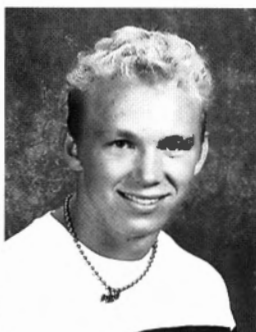
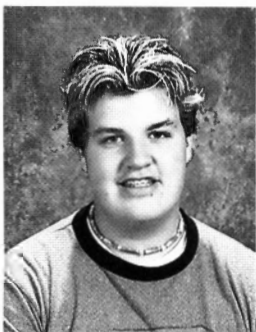


**SMILING BROADLY** Holly holds some of the presents she recieved for her 17th birthday on January 9th. "Birthdays and other special events are really important to me, and I also make sure that my friend's birthdays are special," said Schoenbachler. *Courtesy Photo*

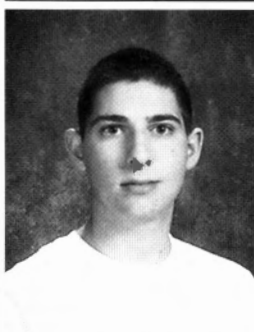
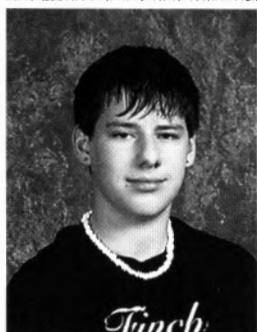
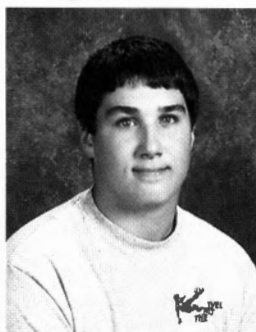
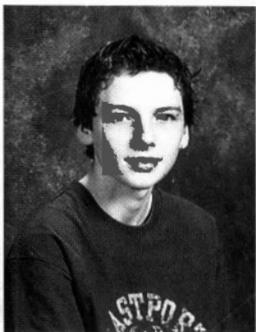
**WINTER SPORTS IS A** favorite past time of Holly's, whether its snowboarding or skiing. Holly and Mike decided to go to dead man's hill one day over winter break. "It was so much fun! I love sledding, and when I can't go skiing its the next best thing," said Schoenbachler. *Courtesy Photo*



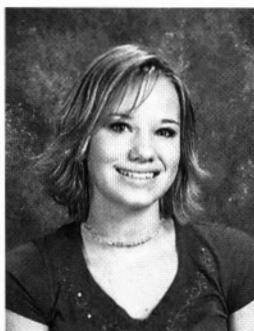
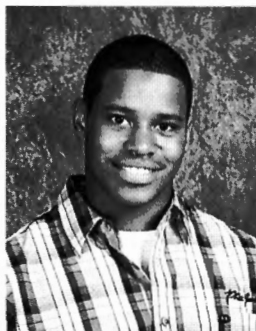
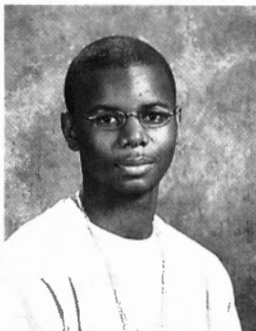
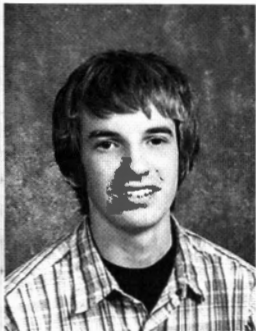




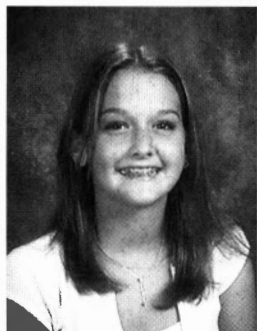
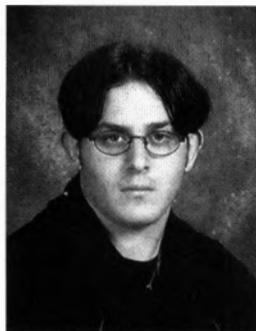
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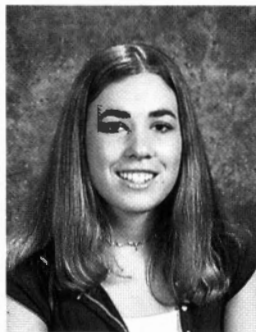
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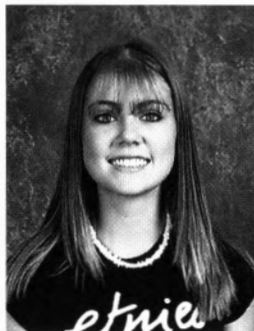
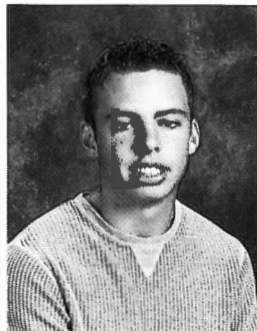
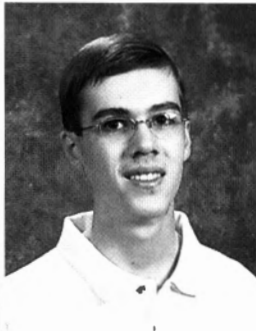
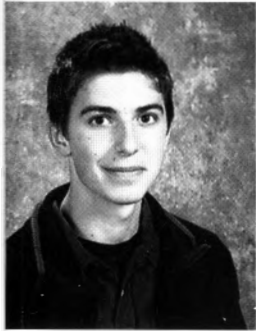
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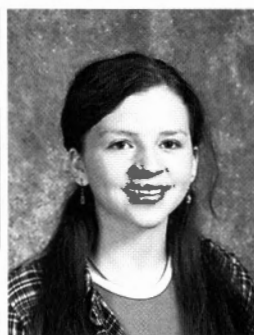
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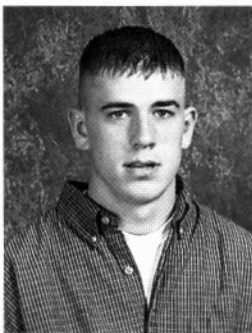
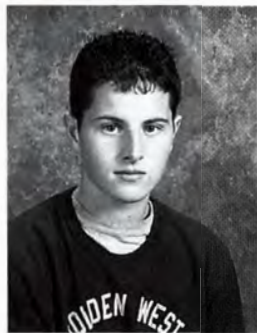
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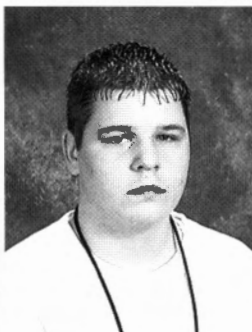
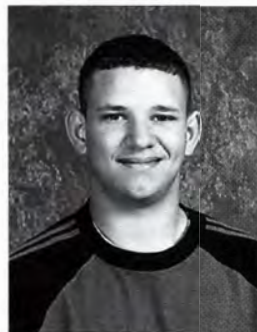
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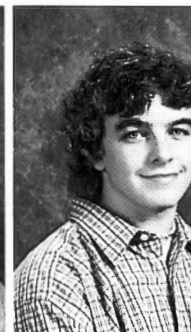
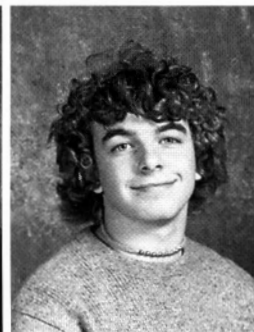
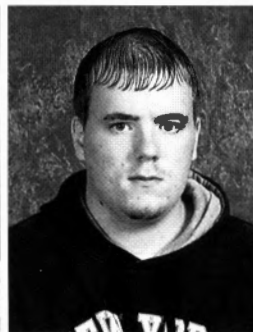
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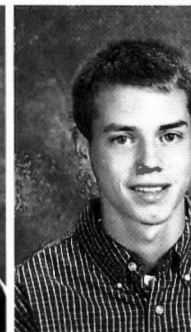
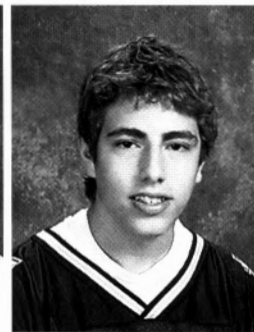
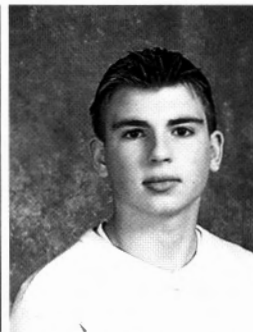
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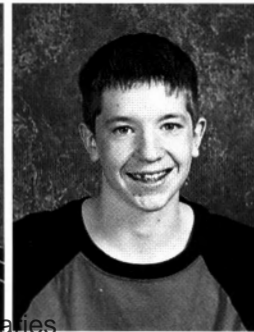
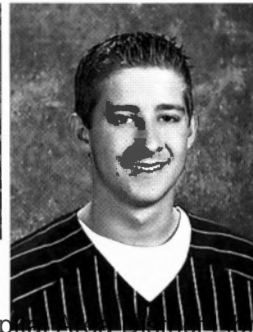
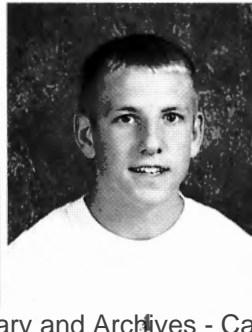
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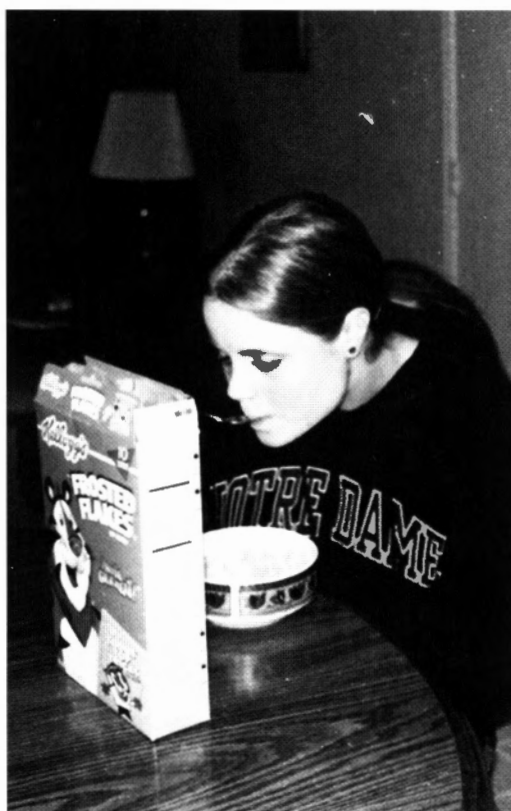


# what to do with the testing blues?

by ashley duffy

If the big tests of the year have gotten you stressed out, then you're not alone. We all have to do it sometime or another. Sophomore year it's the PLAN, PSAT, and district assessment tests. Junior year--It's the MEAP, but if you plan on attending a college in Michigan, you are required to take the ACT's. If you are attending college out of state you are required to take the SAT's. Those two tests are often the most stressful of all because they can decide what college you do or do not get into.

"There is a lot of pressure on me to do well on the ACT's because I want to get into the best college possible," said junior Korbi Bare. Then, of course, there are the seniors who get a break because they don't have to take any tests. While all the seniors are sleeping in or going out to breakfast, the rest of us are filling out bubble sheets and watching the clock as time slowly passes. There are some ways that you can improve your test scores. It is a fact that a good night's sleep, at least eight hours, and a big breakfast can help you concentrate and get better scores.



## A LOT OF STUDENTS

choose not to eat breakfast in the morning because of lack of time. Breakfast is the most important meal of the day, especially if you are taking a test. Eating breakfast can help you concentrate better in class or when testing. On the other hand some people make sure to eat breakfast in the morning. "I love to eat a good healthy breakfast in the morning because it jump starts my day so I have lots of energy," said junior **Annie Childs**.  
Photo by Ashley Duffy

## WITH JOBS, SPORTS,

clubs, and homework, getting to bed early is not always an easy thing to do during the week. Going to bed early on school nights is always a good idea. Especially the night before a test so you can stay focused. Getting a good nights sleep tucked within her warm and cozy bed is junior **Sarah Benson**. "I like to get at least eight hours of sleep every night. If I don't then it is hard for me to stay awake in class."  
Photo by Ashley Duffy



# whose wheels with what words?

Try to match the following vehicles with their driver and what the person thinks about their car.

by nathan parsons

**A** It is my little black go-kart.

**C** It is a white tank since it has been through so many accidents.

**B** It's my glow in the dark hot-wheels car

**D** I think it is like an 18-wheeler, because it is hard to turn around corners.



phildaneff I



kellywilson II



cameronroddgers III



ejsolomon IV



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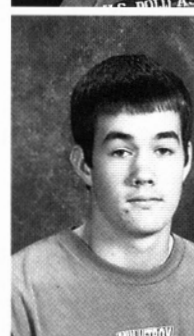
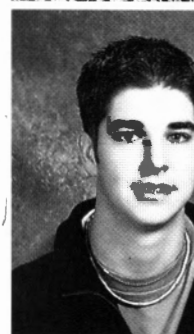
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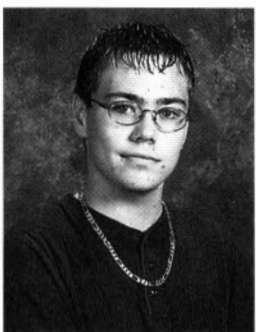
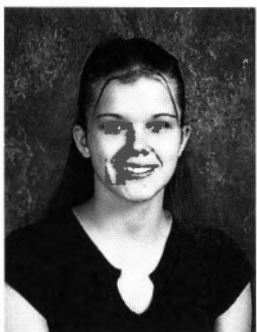
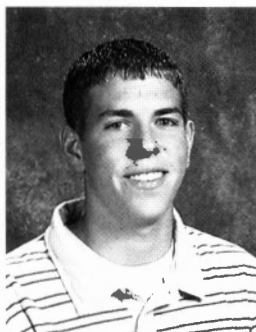
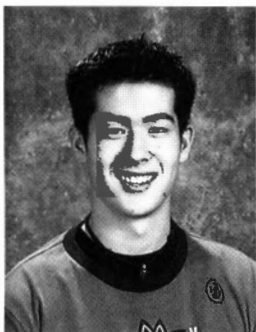
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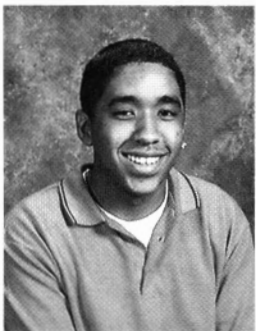
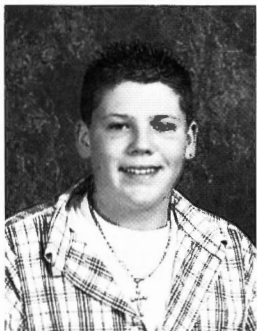
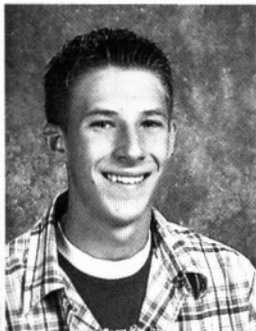
## Answers

In order of person, car, and quote: I,3,A II,1,D III,2,C IV,4,B

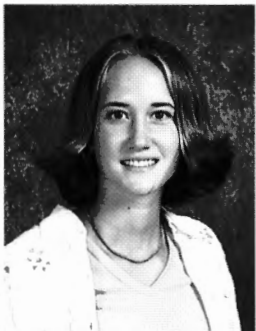
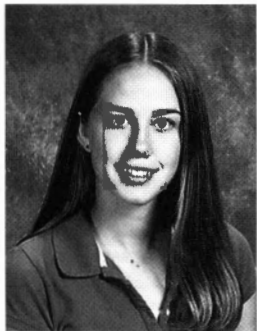
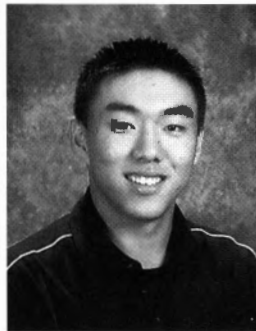
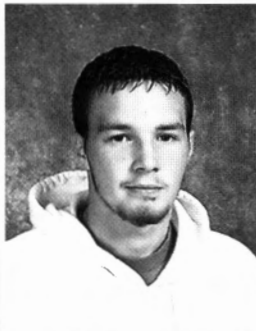
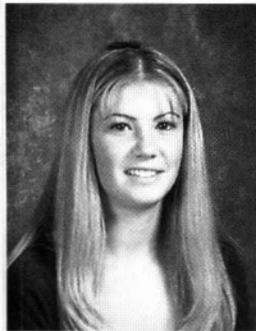




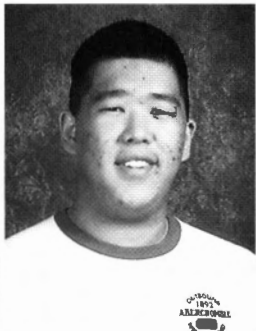
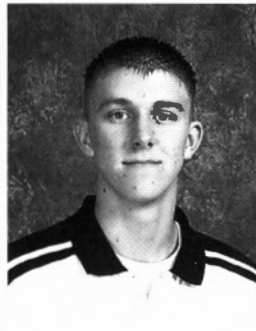
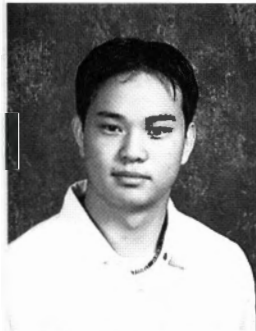
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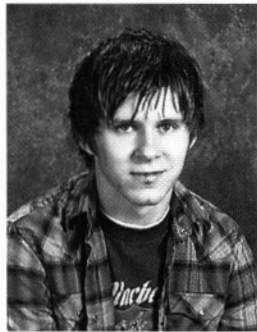
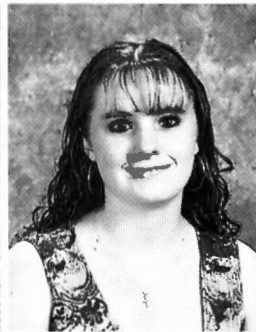
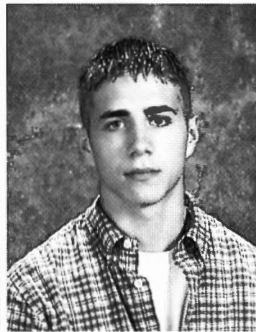
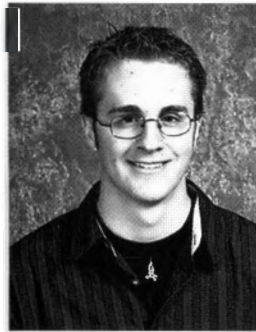
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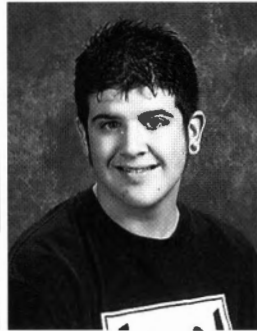
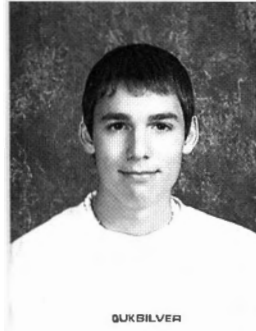
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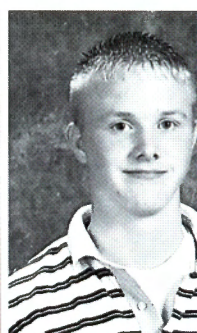
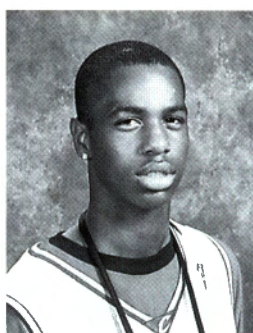
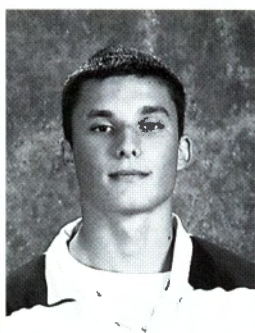
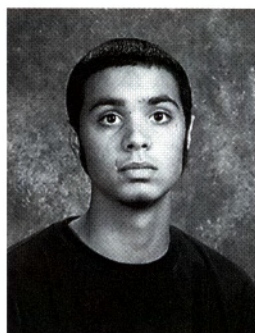
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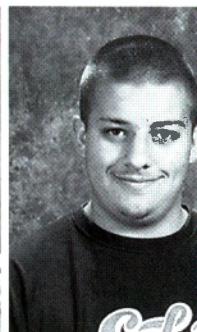
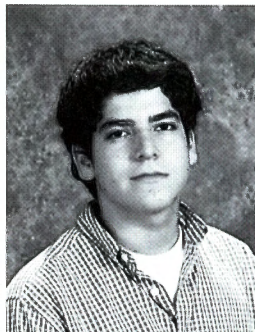
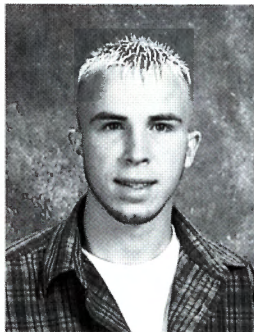
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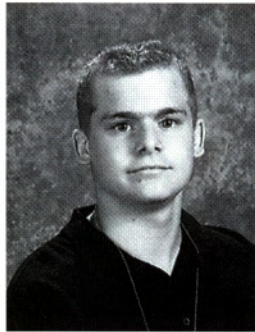
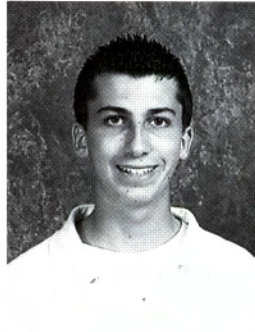
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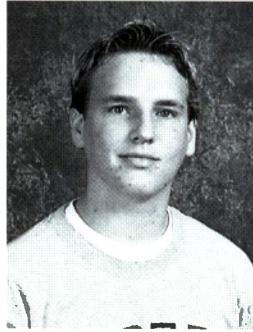
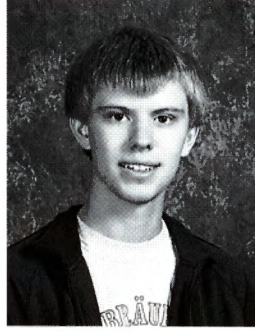
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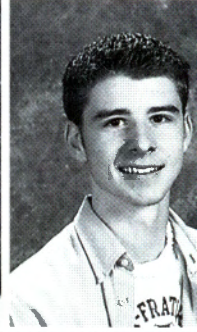
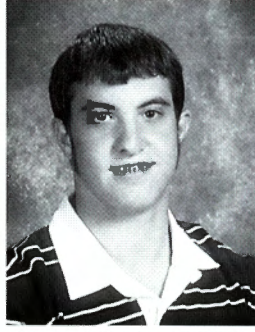
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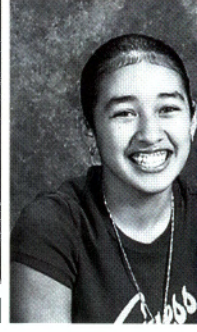
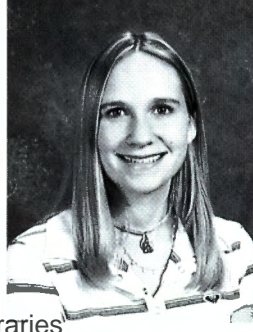
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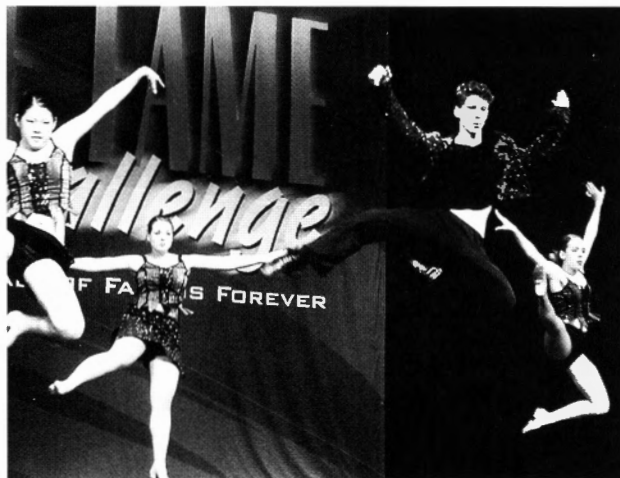




following the steps of  
**rory goodine**



**SKY ROCKETING TO THE TOP** in the front of his dance group is **Rory Goodine**. Goodine has participated in multiple dance competitions in Detroit and has won many awards. "It's fun, exciting, and right before I go perform I get real calm, it's almost like a natural high," said Goodine about performing. *Courtesy Photo.*



**LOOKING OUT INTO THE CROWD** while performing in a competition with his fellow dancers. Goodine has been dancing since he was 12 and his favorite styles of dance are hip hop and freestyle. *Courtesy Photo*

by **jeremy overton**

When you think of gold and silver medals and ribbons, you usually think of wrestling, gymnastics, or cheerleading. Not for Rory Goodine. He's a dancer who competes in competitions for medals and soon to be money.

Starting out at 12 years old, Goodine's mom wanted him to try it out and he found it he liked it and continued with it. He started out doing easier classes like jazz and tap and now he does everything from his roots of jazz and tap, to new forms of hip hop and breakdancing. Goodine says, "Dance is good exercise, helps with flexibility and coordination."

Dance isn't the only thing he does, he also likes to mountain bike and work with machines. He is currently attending the Capitol Area Career Center for precision machinery, and hopes to go into a career in machinery.



Here are some...

# wordsofwisdom

by raquel llinas and ashley duffy

**They've been there;  
they know the ropes.  
Tap into their wisdom:  
juniors pass on advice  
to sophomores...**

Organization is overated,  
pay attention, ask ques-  
tions, and you will do just  
fine.

junior **Ben Johnides**



**"TRY TO GET  
MRS.** Russo for  
your english teacher  
because she is really  
nice and her class  
is very laid back, it's  
definetly my favorite",  
said junior **Sarah  
Castor.**

Photo by John  
Zankiewics

Be prepared for alot of  
homework. The best thing  
about junior year is how  
close you are to gradua-  
tion

junior **Nina Johnson**

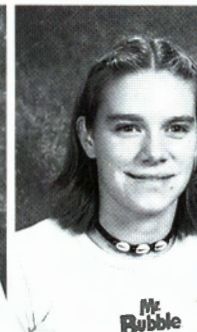
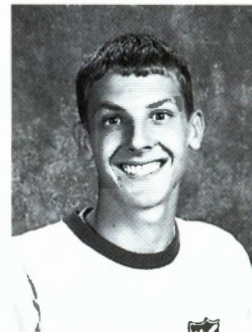
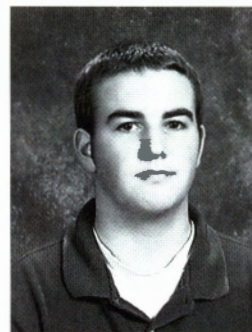


**"PAY ATTENTION  
IN CLASS** and get  
really good grades  
because graduation  
is a lot closer than  
you think", said junior  
**Devon Bement.**

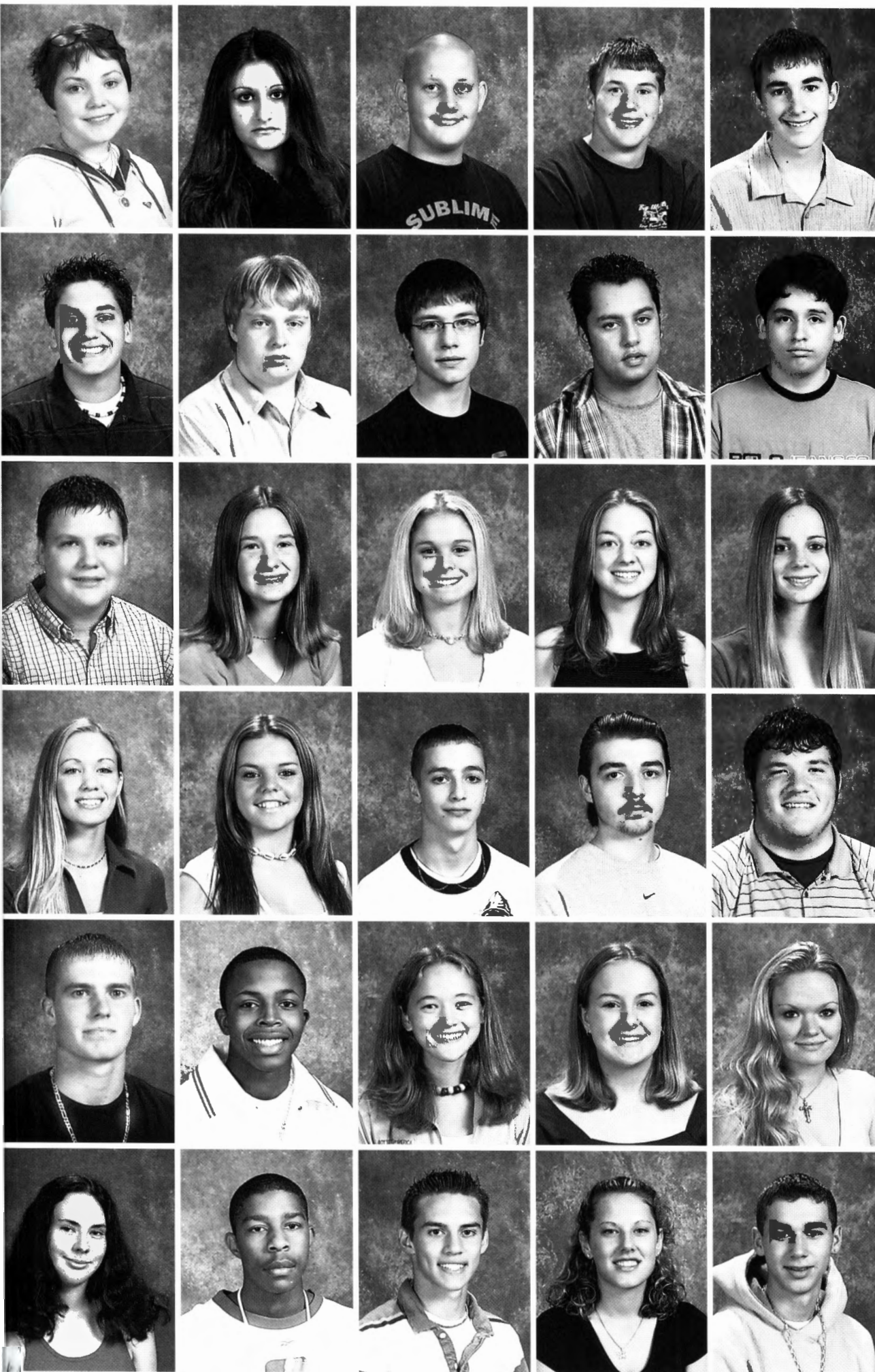
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**"MAKE SURE  
SMART** people sit  
with you at your  
lunch table so then  
you can get help with  
your homework",  
said junior **Jessica  
Merriott.**

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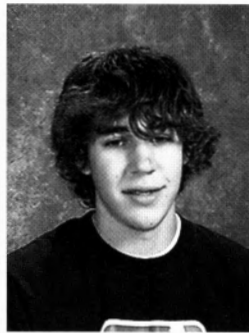
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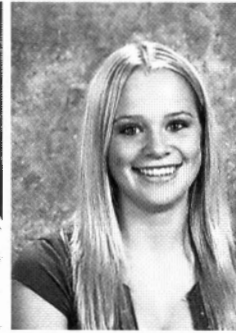
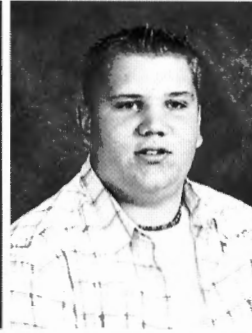
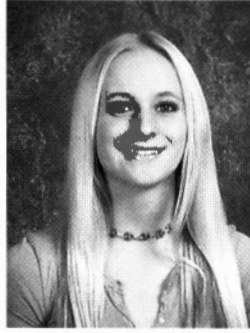
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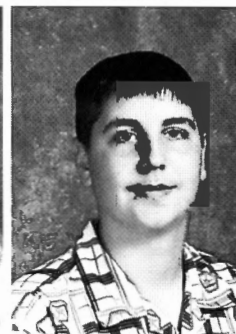
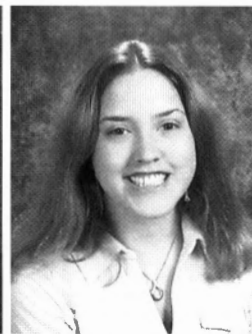
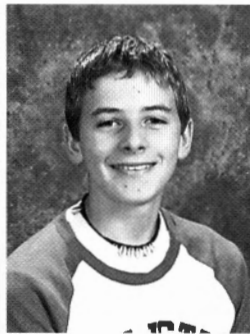
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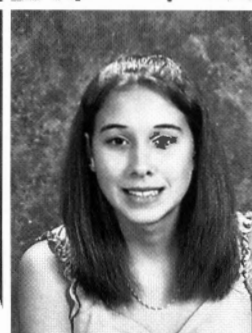
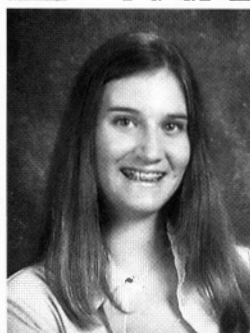
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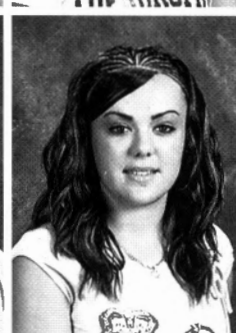
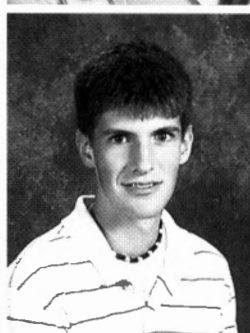
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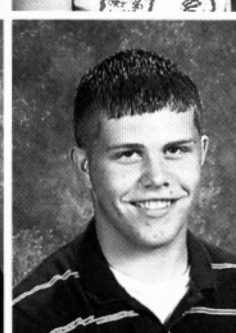
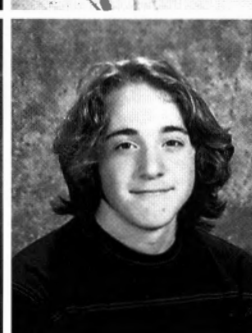
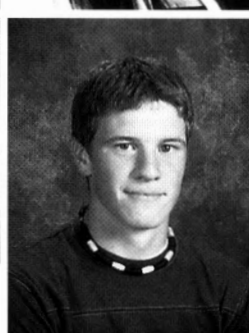
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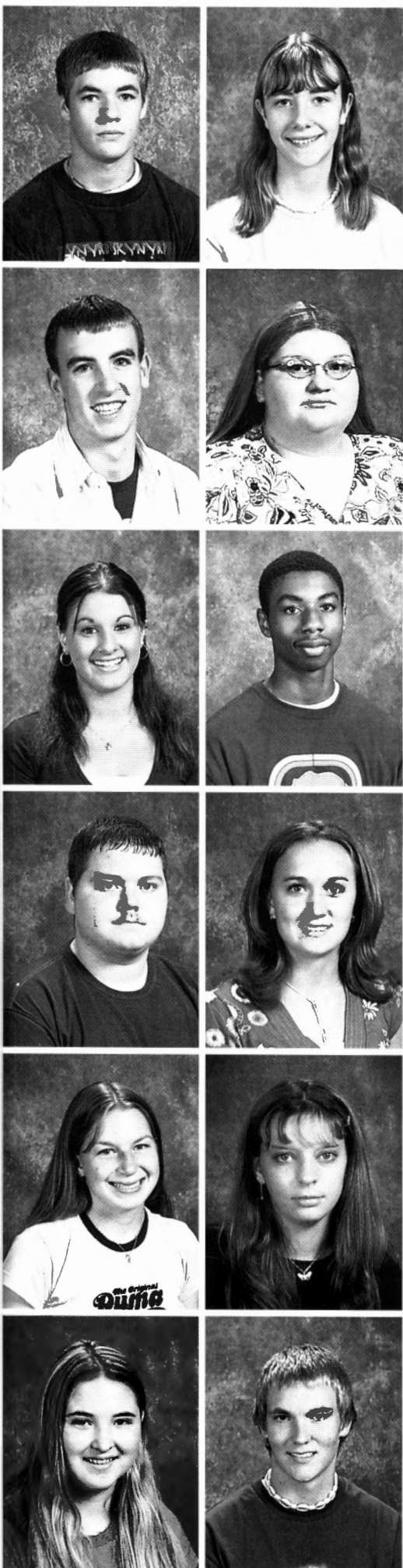
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Let's play the...

# namegame

by jessica keener and sarah moule

## top five guys names

- 22 Nicholas
- 21 Matthew
- 18 Andrew
- 18 Brandon
- 17 Christopher

## top five girls names

- 28 Katie
- 24 Ashley
- 19 Sarah
- 16 Jennifer
- 14 Amanda

## mix&match

### name

1. Nicholas
2. Matthew
3. Andrew
4. Brandon
5. Christopher
6. Ashley
7. Sarah
8. Katie
9. Jennifer
10. Amanda

### meaning

- a.) "Princess"
- b.) "Christ bearer"
- c.) "God's gift"
- d.) "Loveable"
- e.) "Ash tree clearing"
- f.) "Manly, courageous"
- g.) "Pure"
- h.) "White, fair"
- i.) "Victorious people"
- j.) "Little Raven"

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1. (i) 2. (c) 3. (f) 4. (j) 5. (b)

### SarahCastor

"I know my name means princess. I have this thing that my aunt made me that says sarah "Princess of god" and my dad calls me princess all the time."



### AndrewJones

"I didn't know it meant anything. I never really thought about it, but if I had to guess I would say bold."

**NickCassel**  
"I know Nicholas comes from the name of St. Nicholas. Maybe it has something to do with being a giving person."



### AshleyHunt

"I know it means something like ash tree meadow because in fifth grade I did a project about the name Ashley and I drew myself in a meadow standing underneath a big tree."



Getting active  
and

# staying active

by katie lash



**PRACTICING RUNNING,** Huber and Tara Dell show off their skills. Huber and Dell are both on the cross country team. They have also started swimming for a club.

## What is your favorite class?

Lunch.

## What do you think about the new school?

Its always cold and its really big. I have to sprint to all my classes.

## What do you want to be when you grow up?

Happy.

My dad wants me to be a neurosurgeon though

## Whats your favorite T.V. show?

Sienfield.

## Whats your favorite movie?

Zoolander and the Motorcycle Mouse

## What sports do you play?

I run cross country in the fall but I run year round with the Detroit Cheetas. I also run track and I started swimming for the Capital Area Swim Team, also known as CAST.

## Are you in any clubs?

I'm in German club and Pals

## What do you do when you are not in school?

I like to hang out with friends but I also take piano lessons and sing in my church choir. Anything to get out of the house.

## What are some of your other hobbies?

I like to ski.



Her laugh is unmistakable and everything that comes out of her mouth seems to be funny, but its not all fun and games for junior Liz Huber. Huber spends a lot of hard work in school earning the grades that she deserves. She makes the most of the time that she does get out of school.

From hanging out with friends, to running a couple miles a day, Huber is always active in something.



**ON VACATION,** Huber and her family went to Colorado for a ski trip. Skiing is one of Huber's favorite hobbies. "We go skiing often, last year we went during spring break," said Huber.

## What is your favorite color?

Bright green, but not lime green.

## Do you have a job?

Yeah kind of; I ref soccer.

## What are your favorite bands?

Taking Back Sunday, Weezer, Switchfoot, Saves The Day, and Motion City Soundtrack.

## Have you been to any concerts lately?

I went to a switchfoot concert with a friend but we couldn't get into it. Somehow we met up with the lead singer, John Forman, after the show. He jumped up onto a van and gave us a private show.

## What is your favorite food?

I like food in general, but I would have to say peanut butter, Reeses, and pineapple (not all together).

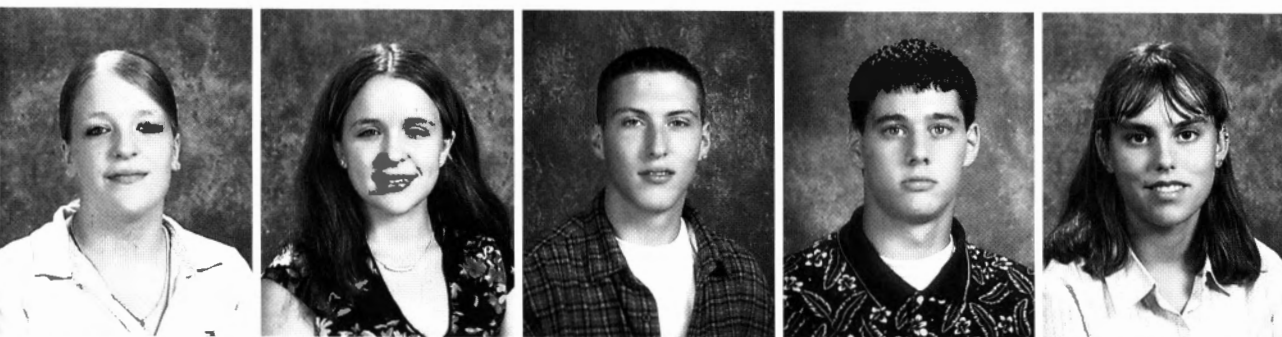
## Do you have any pets?

I like dogs and I used to have one, but I hate cats.

**TAKING A BREAK IN FLORIADA,** Huber heads off to the beach with a friend. Hanging out with friends is one of her favorite things to do. "I'll do anything to get out of the house."



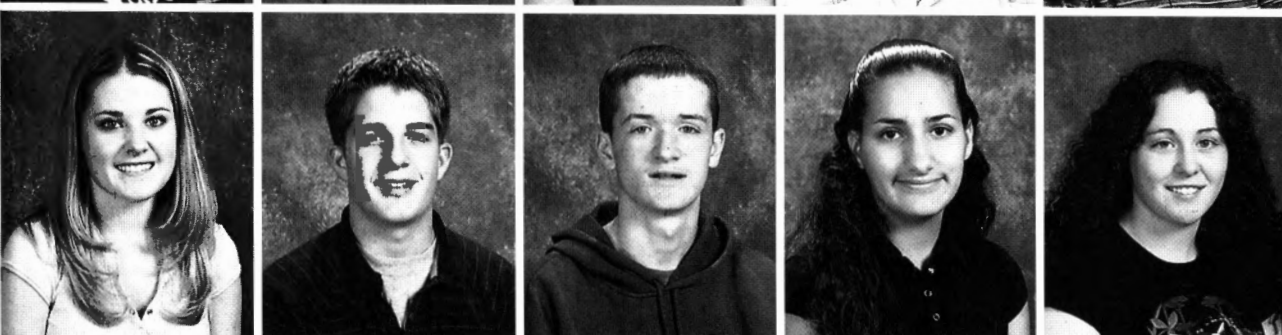




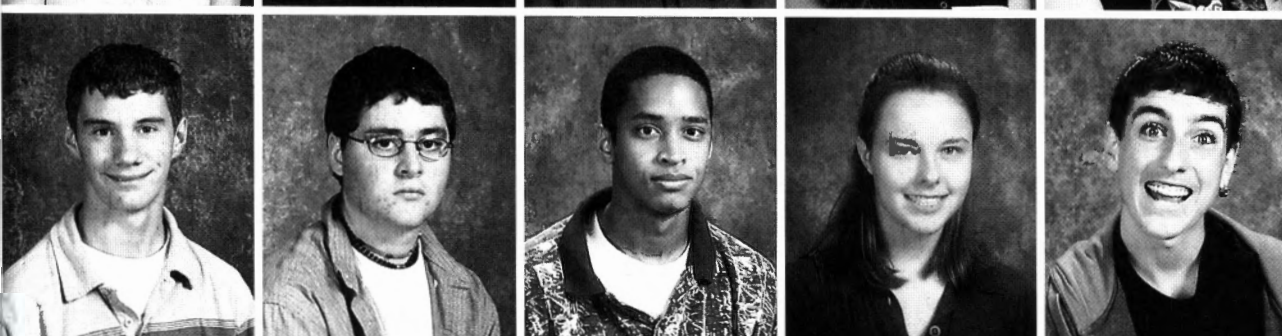
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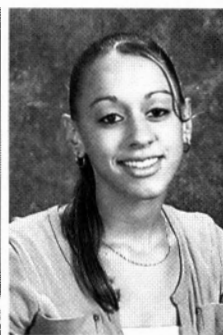
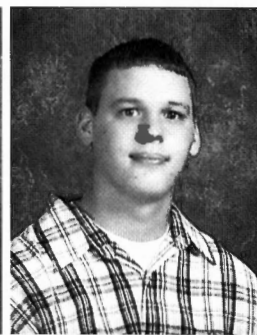
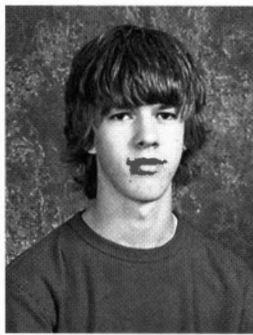
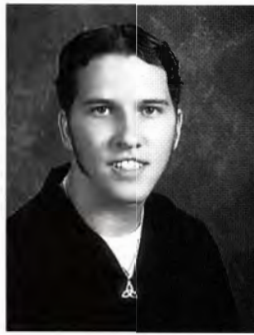
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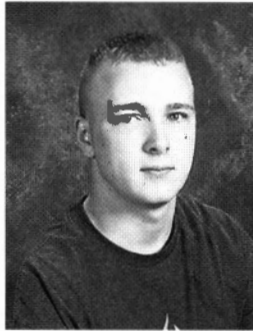
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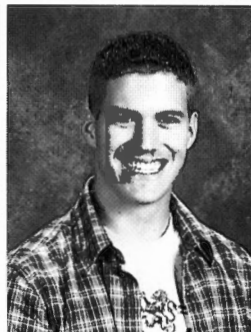
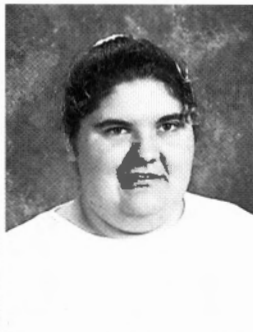
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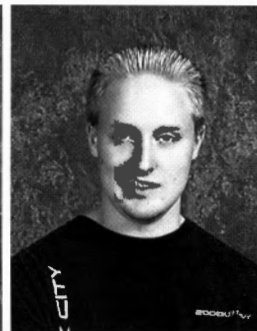
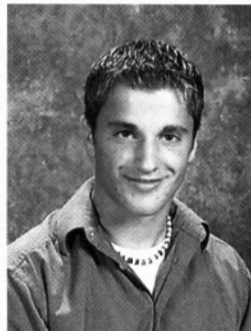
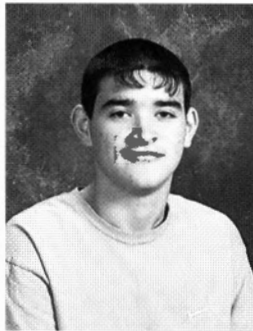
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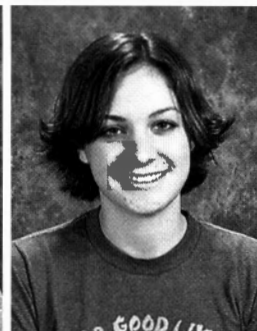
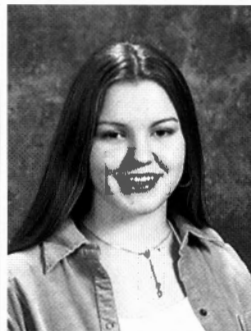
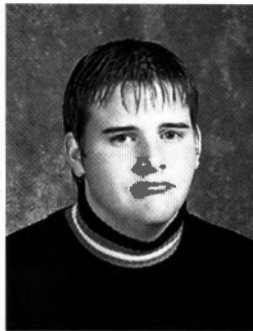
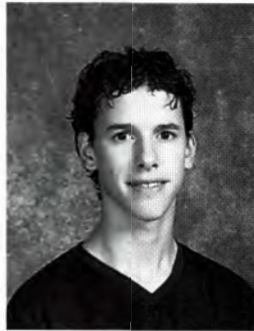
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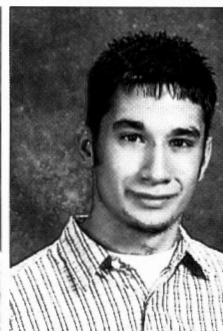
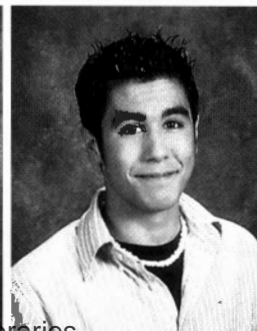
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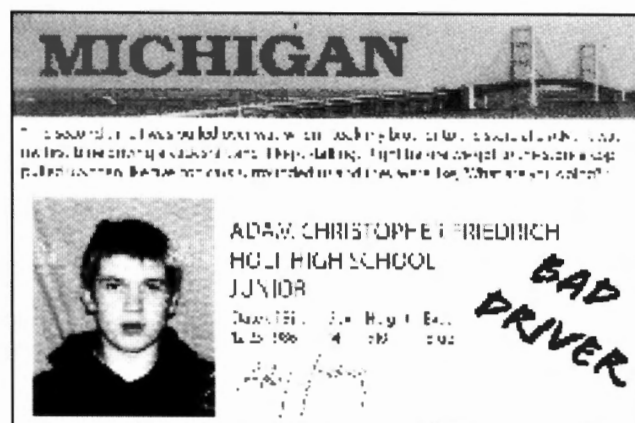
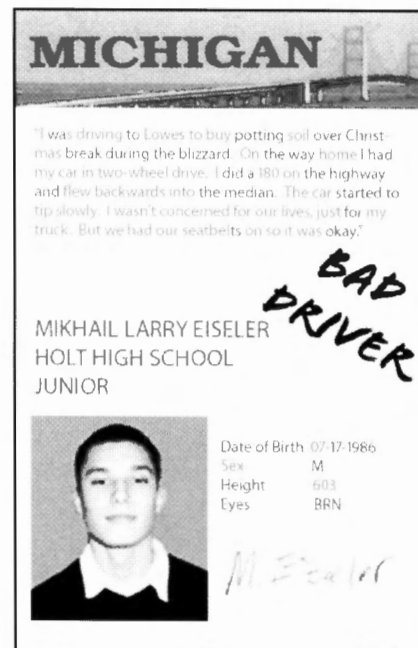
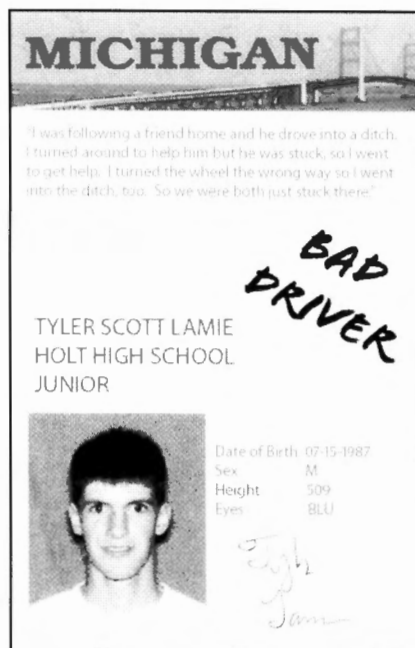
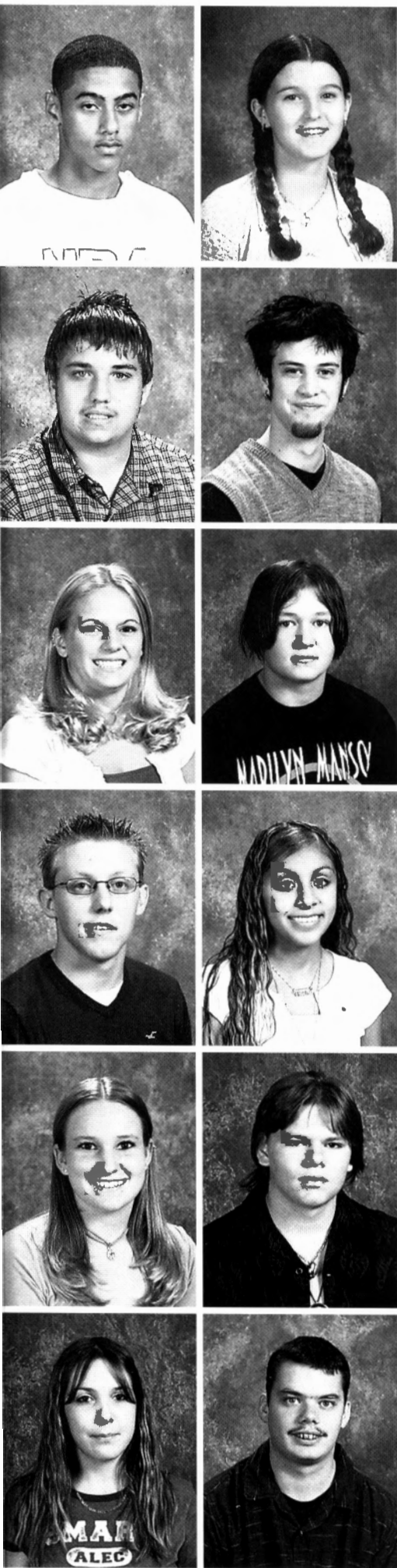


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by ashley hunt and jessica craft-queenby





how the new  
highschool has  
changed

# planningprom

by beth keyes

Many things have changed since students have started attending the new high school. One of the biggest changes is that prom will now be held at the high school, instead of at the Summit, where it has been held for the past six years. Most students are not too thrilled about prom at school, "It's the freaking cafeteria! It's not big enough, and we come here everyday. Prom should be someplace cool, like a hotel," said junior Annie Childs. Others are hopeful that with all the money that will be saved from not renting out the Summit, the prom will be better than ever.

Not only has the location changed, but many other things about prom have changed since past years:

## lastyear

**O**nly Juniors were on planning committee

**P**rom was held at the Summit



**T**he theme was "Night on the Town"

**T**here was no king or queen for prom

**T**he prom committee made all of the decisions about the prom

## thisyear

**J**uniors as well as seniors are on the planning committee

**P**rom will be held at Holt High School



**T**he theme will be "Hollywood Nights"

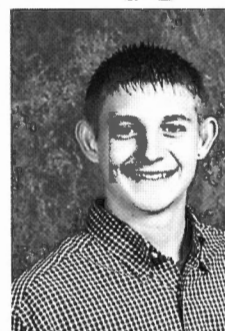
**T**here will be a prom king and queen

**T**he prom committee sent out ballots so that the whole junior class could vote for the prom theme

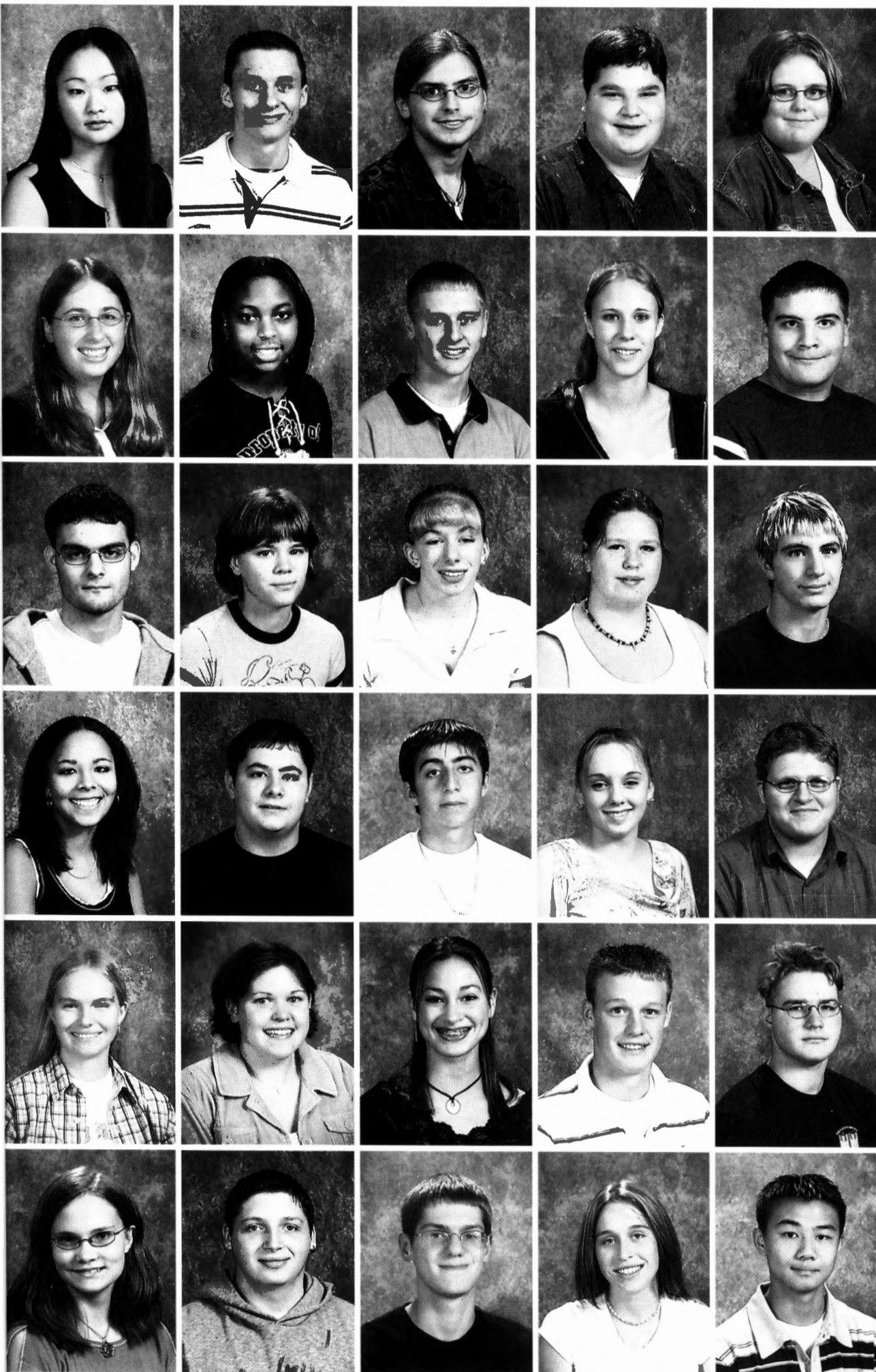


**AND THE VOTES ARE IN!** After asking the student body for suggestions, the prom committee took the top choices and narrowed them down, then the whole junior class voted for the theme they wanted and Hollywood Nights won. Other choices for the theme were Arabian Nights and Studio 64. *Courtesy photo*

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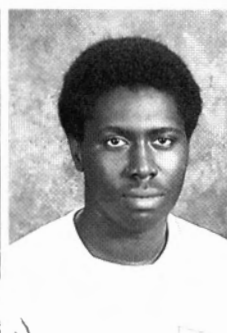
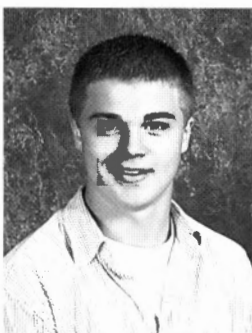
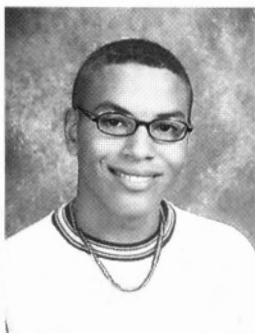
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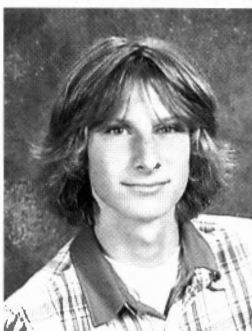
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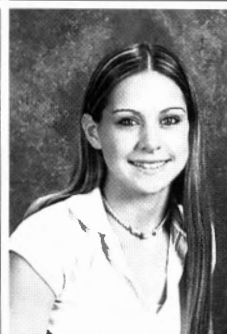
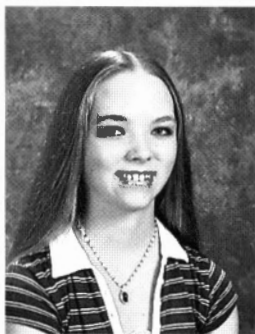
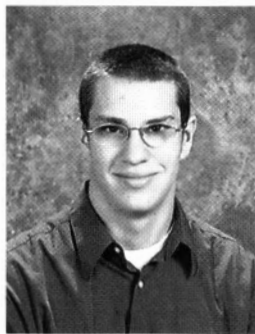
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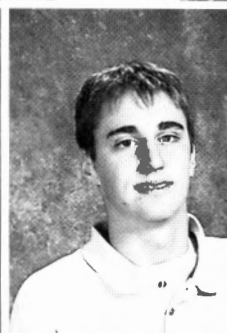
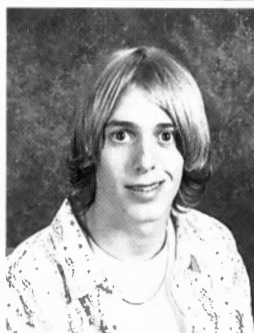
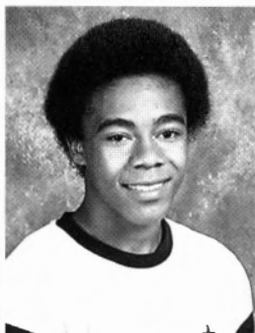
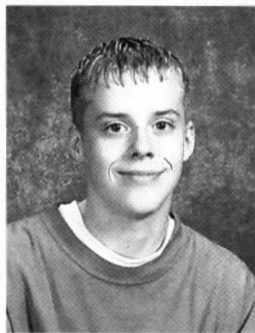
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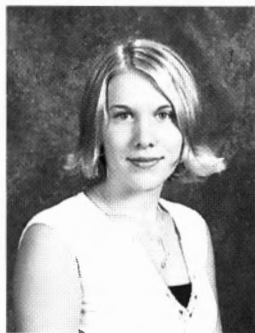
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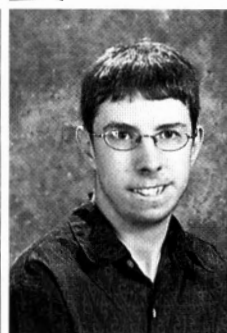
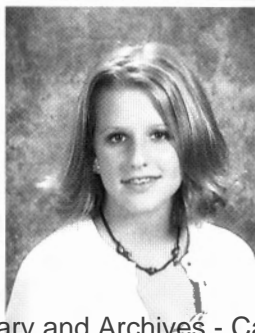
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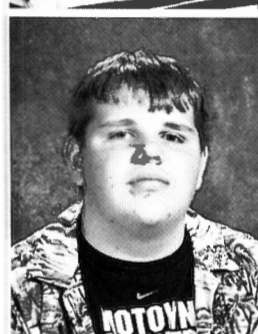
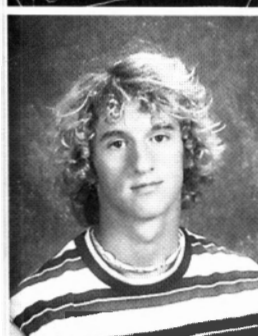
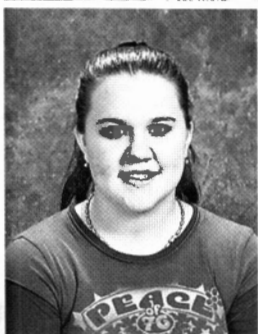
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**AFTER A BOMBING** in Germany, Zoran's house is destroyed and his family is forced to move. Zoran and his family then moved to America.  
*Courtesy photo*



moving

from

# place to place

by katie lash

At first glance junior Zoran Tomic-Bobas looks like an ordinary good-looking guy. He may be shy at first but once you get to know him a little, you will learn that he has lived an interesting life.

On June 25, 1991, Croatia declared its independence from Yugoslavia. However, this caused the beginning of the Croatian war of independence. For four years fighting continued until December 14, 1995, when the war was officially declared over.

On February 29, 1988, Zoran was born in Croatia and spent five years living there, along with the rest of his family, but in the middle of the Croatian war for independence, Zoran's family decided to move. "I'm proud of my heritage," said Tomic-Bobas "I'd like to go back and visit one day, but I would need a green card first."

Zoran and his family then moved to Germany, but their house was tragically bombed and they were forced to relocate again. That is when Zoran and his family moved to America. "I don't know why, but we were kicked out of Germany because they did not like us," said Zoran "That is why I am here."

Zoran came to Pattengil Middle School first, but he has spent his whole high school career in Holt. Zoran is a junior now and has a brother, Mark, who also goes to Holt who is a senior.



**GETTING A BREAK** from class, Zoran explains how he came to America. "I've lived in three or four different countries," said Zoran  
*Photo by Katie Lash*

**How many languages do you speak?**

Three.

**What are they?**

English, Croatian, and German.

**What do you speak most often and what is your favorite?**

I speak English most often but I like German the most.

**How are the other countries different than the U.S.?**

In Germany, college is free.

**What is your favorite country that you have been to? Why?**

Bosnia. Because it's beautiful.

**What do you want to be when you grow up?**

Maybe a lawyer.

**What are your favorite classes in school?**

English and chemistry.

**What is your favorite color?**

Light blue.

**What is your favorite sport?**

Soccer, but I don't play on Holt's team.

**Do you have any animals?**

I have three bunnies.

**Do you have a favorite movie?**

*The Gladiator.*



**PLAYING AROUND** his house in Germany, Zoran, his two brothers and cousin take a break to pose for a picture. Zoran moved to Germany when he was five years old after leaving Croatia.  
*Courtesy photo*



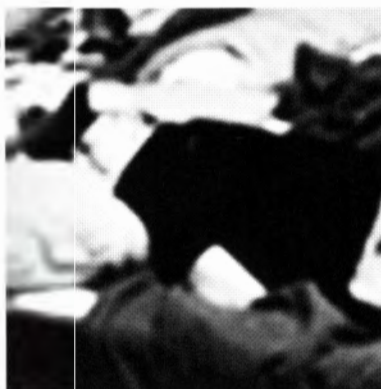
what do  
you do  
with your

# wednesday morning

by beth keyes

84%

of students prefer to spend their mornings catching up on their sleep "I don't sleep in class as much on Wednesdays because we get to sleep in," said junior Leanne Nash



**COUNTING SHEEP** instead of stats, junior **Peter Piper** takes advantage of his Wednesday mornings by sleeping in. Photo by Eve Ayala

## How many times do you hit the snooze button?

After asking 100 juniors the average that they hit the snooze the average is: **3**

"I don't hit the snooze button, but my mom has to shake me awake like 5 times. before I get up," said Junior Alex Erhardt.

## Cost of a Wednesday morning meal

Denny's  
Grandslam Slugger: **\$6.69**

Beaners  
Bagel with cream cheese  
and a tall Teddy Bear:  
**\$4.95**

McDonalds  
Bacon Egg and Cheese  
McMuffin : **\$2.65**



**THE MOST IMPORTANT MEAL OF THE DAY**, breakfast, is enjoyed at McDonalds by junior **Leanne Nash** and senior **Kelly VanHouten**. Photo by Beth Keyes

10%

of students like to go out to breakfast on Wednesday mornings. Some of the most popular places for Holt students to go for breakfast are: Denny's, Beaners, and Mc Donalds

6%

of students come to school early. Practice for sports, meetings for clubs, and getting some extra help for grades are a few of the reasons that students cometo school early.



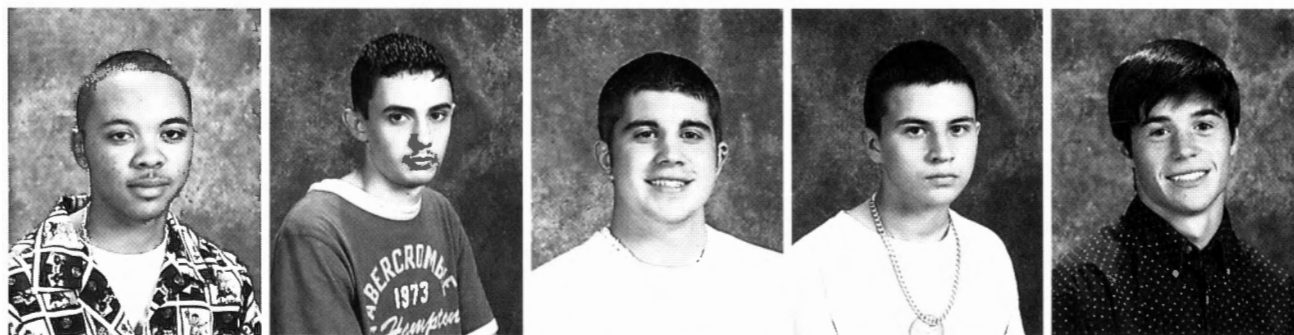
**"AT FIRST NOT MANY PEOPLE SHOWED UP** to the helproom, but now we have between ten and fifteen people coming every week!" said intern **Stephanie Fizzell** as she helps sophomore **Bronson Wall**. Photo by Beth Keyes

## What you'll find at Holt on a Wednesday morning

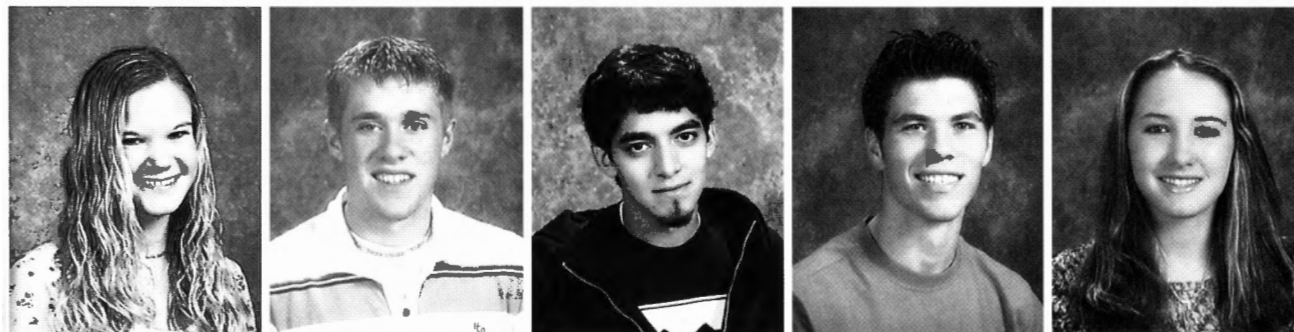
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- Academic Helproom
- Breakfast
- Athletics
- Student Council meetings
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- Make up tests







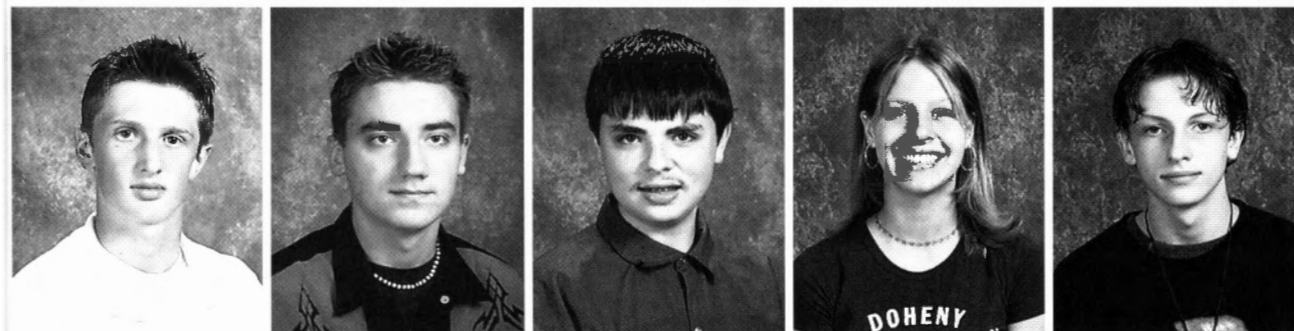
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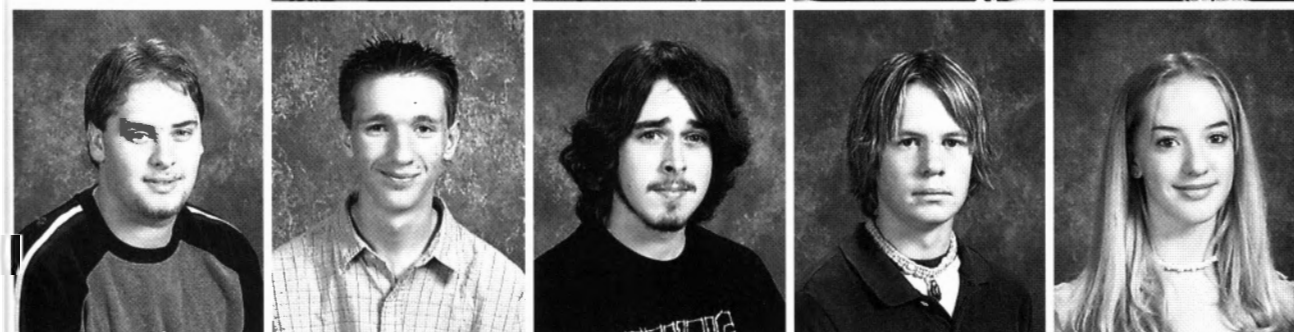
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Kent Williamson  
Brittany Wood



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Nicole Zaborowski  
Alyssa Zdawczyk  
Katelyn Ziesman



# when a class is APPLIED to life

by dani dimmitt

Many students feel that high school isn't necessarily preparing students for the "real world." But this year there is a new class that does just that. Retail Management has been one of the main perks of the new high school, giving many students the opportunity to see what it would be like to run or manage a business. Dan Knechtel is the teacher in charge of Retail Management. Knechtel chose students last year after he had them in either his Promotional Marketing, Business Management or Mentorship classes.

Between lunches, Knechtel goes over prices and new products. "He includes us in most of the decisions, which is really cool because in a normal class, you don't necessarily get to put your two cents in," said junior Katie Flinton.

"The students that I have chosen have done an outstanding job, not only this year but last year as well. They were critical in the planning process of the store," said Knechtel. Each student in his class has a different role, which often change so that every student can experience all the different aspects of a business. Some of the tasks include: design, management, security, clothing, cashier, shift management, and accounting. "The class is pretty easy," said senior Gisele Uwitonze. "I like being a cashier."

Seniors dominate the class, with only four juniors and no sophomores. "I would've taken this class every year if we would've had it. It's so fun we get to socialize while we work," said senior Celeste Malkowski.

One of the biggest perks of the class is being able to have two lunches. "Having two lunches is the best part," said senior Preston Havens. "I can get all my work done really quick and then I have time to myself." Workers also get all of the merchandise at cost, but not food. Students earn a grade for the effort that they put in to the work they do, so while it may seem like all fun and games, they still have a lot of responsibility.





**USING HIS HEIGHT TO REACH THE TOP OF THE CABINET** is senior **Emmanuel Paul**. Senior **Steve Florian** does an inventory in the storage room along with Paul. The students are expected to take inventory periodically to ensure that they have all of the products that they provide. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



**PUTTING PRICES ON ALL OF THE BEVERAGES** is one of the jobs students practice. Senior **Ali Hull** labels the bottles of Gatorade in the stock room. "We decide as a class what the prices of the products are going to be," said Hull. Photo by Dani Dimmitt

**DAN KNECHTEL GETS THE SCOOP** on the latest happenings in the store from seniors **Nikki Boyce**, **Melissa Anderson** and **Mark Tomic**. Knechtel includes the students in all of the decisions that are made in the class. "It's a learning experience the whole way through," said senior **Brandon Conley**. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



**SECURITY DUTY IS AN IMPORTANT** part of having a successful business. Senior **Keith Lane** (left) stands at the entrance of the store to keep traffic flowing. Seniors **Cassie Martin** and **Steve Florian** and junior **Josh Looman** stand in the back of the store (far left) to watch for theft. "There's been a couple of situations with students who have sticky fingers," said Martin. "But as long as we watch everyone it isn't too big a problem." Photo by Dani Dimmitt



# STOP.

# GO.

school store

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While most students haven't found any room to complain about the size or layout of the parking lots, most have a problem with the speedbumps. "I don't think it's bad to have speedbumps, but they are so big and they have caused accidents because people always stop to go over them," said senior Kami Kosloski.

While one would see many people just fly over them, many people don't have any choice but to stop. "I had to go really slow over the speed bumps, because my car sits really low to the ground and it was literally breaking my car," said junior Brooke Bambusch. "I rarely drive to school anymore, I usually ride with my friend Ashley Duffy."



**IS IT A TINY CAR OR A GIANT SPEEDBUMP?** It's the attack of the giant speed bumps. These pictures of toy cars show how big the speedbumps are. "There's some days when this is how my car feels when I'm going over the speedbumps," said junior **Miriam Brewer**. Students can only hope that they will wear down, but until then it will be stop and go in the parking lot. Photo by Nate Parsons.

## THE STATS

### Bigger "Bus" Speedbumps

Height: **6 inches**

Width: **164 inches**

### Smaller "Student" Speedbumps

Height: **8 inches**

Width: **28 inches**



# another CLICK in high school

by eve ayala

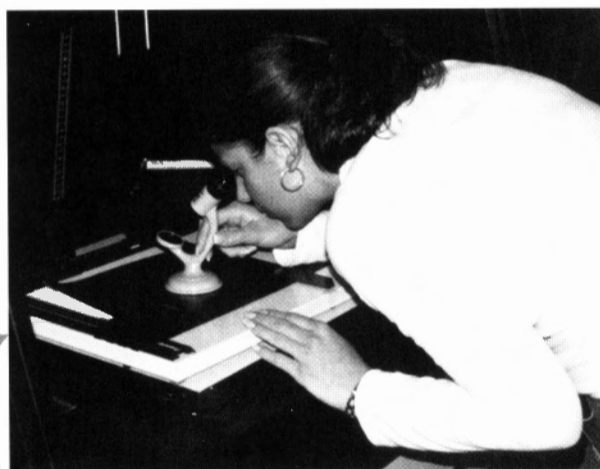
New school, new teachers, and of course, new classes are what made this school year completely, well, new. Students had a few more choices while signing up for classes in their schedule, and photoshop and photography were both on the list.

Photography was quite a popular class to sign up for. First semester 29 students were given the class out of at least 200 who had signed up. All students in this class were seniors, except one junior. After the first week of school there was a problem: the school said they would only pay for 28 students to take the class. So two students voluntarily dropped the class.

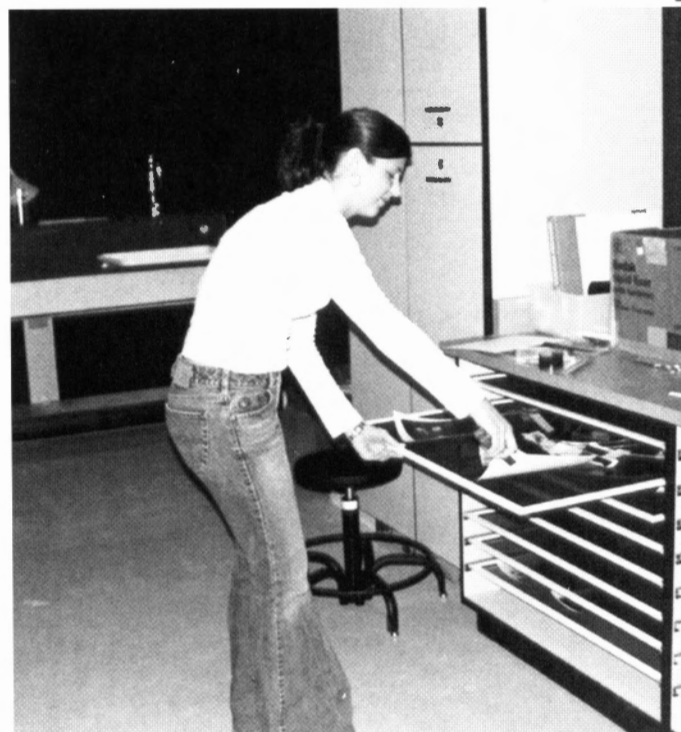
While getting the class together, building the dark room with the revolving door, and creating a separate room for film loading may have been difficult, finding a teacher was not. "I've had an interest in photography since I was a teenager. When I found out that we would be offering a class at the new high school, I jumped at the opportunity to teach it," said photography teacher Brooke Barrett.

Making the decision to teach the class was easy, but did she really know what she was getting herself into? "The hardest thing to explain to students is the role of the aperture, shutter speed, and meter on exposure," Barrett said. And that is, basically how the camera works.

As if having a new teacher, a new school and a new class wasn't "in the dark" enough, students had to do everything major in the actual dark. "The class is exciting, even though you have to do most of the work in the dark," said senior Sarah Murray.



**TAKING A LOOK** at her picture through the grain focuser in the dark room is senior **Raquel Llinas**. The grain focuser is used to determine whether or not the picture is in focus or not. "The grain focuser was difficult to use at first and my pictures turned out a bit blurry, but as the class went on, I understood," senior **Sarah Murray** said. Photo by Eve Ayala



**FINISHING HER PHOTOS** senior **Raquel Llinas** carefully uses tongs to place her pictures on the drying rack after getting them out of the water for five minutes. In order for your print to come out correctly you have to go through four steps, and water, is the last and the longest. Photo by Eve Ayala



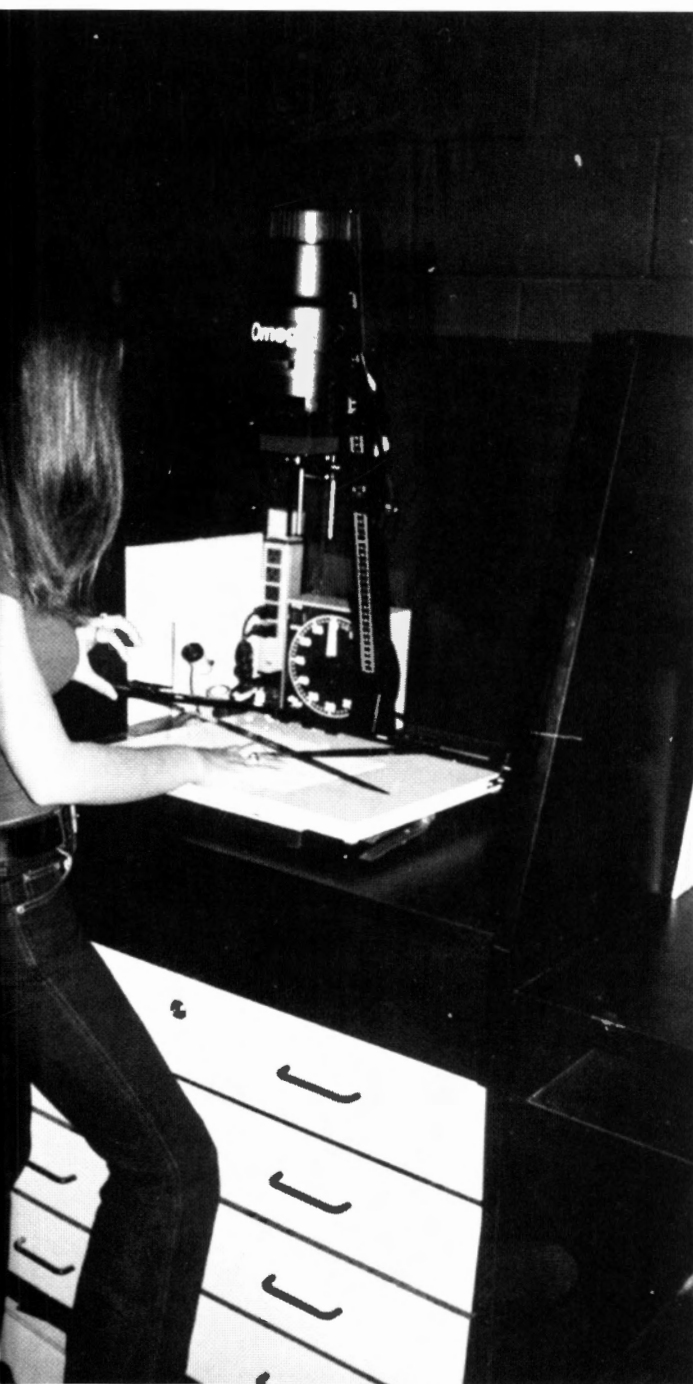
# what's that SMELL?

Most students expected a new smell to the school on the first day. It certainly was new but not at all what they thought. This was definitely one of the few times people were lucky to have the stuffed up nose of a cold, which meant, not smelling what everyone else could. "It smelled like people let off stink bombs every day, and it reminded me of the end of the school year last year, when all the seniors would pull their senior pranks and stink up the school," said senior Rachel Ulch.

Sewer gas was coming from the sewer system down the road on Grovenburg that the high school was tied to and this building, unfortunately became the vent of it. All the smell was coming into the school, from the drains.

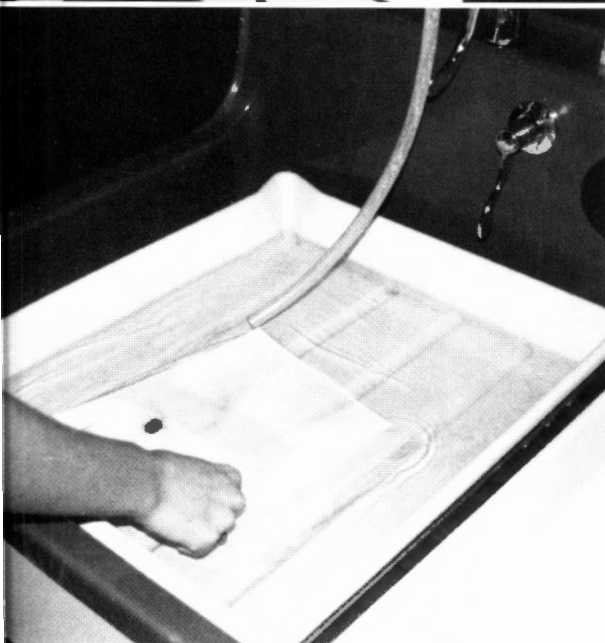
While students walked through the hall trying to ignore the unavoidable smell the sewer company worked its hardest trying to fix everything for the students to have the wonderful new school year everyone had hoped for. This smell lasted for a few months into school, and just as students were getting immune to it, it was fixed.

The problem had been corrected by putting in man hole covers or sewer covers so that the smell wouldn't drain into the school anymore.



**GETTING READY TO PRINT AN ENLARGED PHOTO** of her negative senior **Sarah Murray** puts them in place so they will copy on copy paper just right. "I hate the fact that you can't see what you're doing so the paper doesn't always fit directly under your negatives so they are always messed up when you print them," **Murray** said. *Photo by Eve Ayala*

**DIPPING THE PHOTO INTO CHEMICALS** senior **Sarah Murray** awaits for the minute to come up, so that she can move onto the next chemical and soon, the water to be all done with the photo. *Photo by Eve Ayala*





# keep your **flex and pecs** IN CHECK

by Beth Keyes

Cramped, dirty, and a strange shade of yellow: this is no longer the description of Holt High School's weight room. The new \$141,000, state-of-the-art weight room is top of the line.

Not only is the equipment better, but the whole environment of the room has improved. This is evident in the level of participation after school. "Walk into the weight room at 3:00, and it'll be packed," said teacher Mike Smith. Thanks to the friendly environment, "we've also noticed more girls participating," said athletic director Rick Schmidt.

The weight room is equal to the likes of fitness centers like the MAC. "The weight room is probably the best in the state for any high school; it probably surpasses most Division 2 colleges, too," said Smith. The weight room now has much more than just weights: it has treadmills, bikes, and aerobic equipment. There is even a circuit of twenty machines that if done in order, will work your entire body.

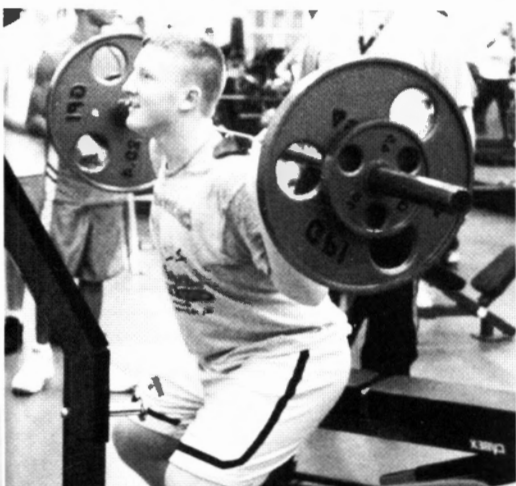
Holt received such great new equipment thanks to a deal, set up by Schmidt, with top-of-the-line provider, Cybex. Cybex gave Holt at least one of every machine at a much lower price, which allowed our school to purchase even more equipment than originally planned. In exchange, the weight room doubles as the Cybex showroom. Occasionally Cybex representatives come in to show the equipment to potential future customers.

If the public wishes to use the weight room, the school allows community members to use it on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 at night. But students and staff can use it every day after school. To the dismay of some students, they must have an adult in order to be allowed access. "We need to have someone present in case someone gets hurt," said Smith.

The weight room gives students and teams the ability to improve their training greatly, but as wrestling coach Rocky Shaft said, "It won't do anything if people don't get in there and use it."



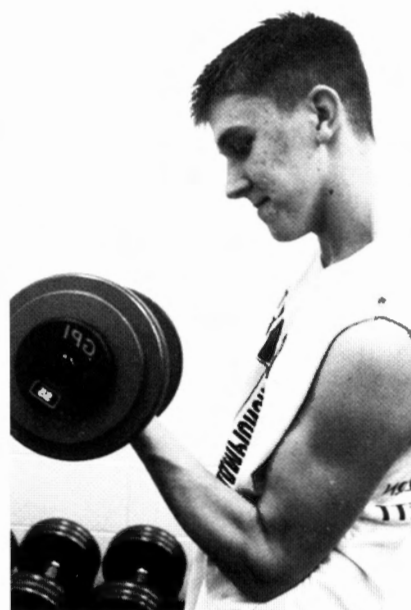




**"THE NEW WEIGHTS** have pads so that they don't hurt and it's a lot easier" said sophomore **Billy Albrecht**, as he uses the squat rack to strengthen his quads for football season. Photo by Beth Keyes



**STANDING IN SET POSITION, Jake Moreno** gets ready to use the TredSled, which helps the football team simulate blocking and tackling. The machine tells you how fast, how hard, and how many yards you drive it. "It can also be used by the track team; there's a belt that holds you in place so you don't run off the edge," said teacher **Mike Smith**. Photo by Beth Keyes



**GETTIN' BUFF FOR THE LADIES** and for track is junior **Tyler Detmers**. "I do hurdles and it helps to have a lot of upper body strength. I hope to be one of the top at CAACs." Photo by Beth Keyes



**"MY PERSONAL BEST IS 55 LBS,** but I don't care how much I lift, I just want to become stronger," said senior **Nick Kyriakopoulos** as he does curls to work his biceps for football. Photo by Beth Keyes

**THE EAGLE ROW** helps to work the back, "The back is one of the biggest muscles. I'm training for football and basketball, but it's important for all sports," said junior **Mikhail Eisler**. "I lift to stay fit; I would still lift even if I wasn't in any sports." Photo by Beth Keyes

# a flash of ALARM

As the students filed out of the building for the sixth time in one week, teeth chattered and people huddled close together for warmth.

The first of six fire alarms that week were due to simple human error. As was the second. The third was from a student who hit the alarm as they were lined up by the door waiting for class to get out. The fourth, and most annoying, alarm went off because of a malfunctioning alarm in an air duct.

When the alarms go off, the strobes stay on until the cause is detected and fixed. Unfortunately the malfunctioning strobe was located two stories above the ceiling. School officials had to wait until a person from

Detroit could come in and fix the problem, which meant that although the sound of the alarm was silenced, the strobes stayed on. Most students found the silently flashing strobes to be the source of irritation and migraines. "They were really annoying and gave me a headache," said senior Kisti Boatright.

Students had to return to the outdoors two more times because of the constant fire alarms. School officials tried to reset the system to shut off the strobes,

causing the alarms to sound. School officials finally made an announcement that teachers should ignore any further fire alarm, but because of yet another malfunction the alarms could not be reset, and the strobes stayed flashing.



**USUALLY IGNORED BY STUDENTS AND FACULTY**, the presence of the fire alarms' flashing strobes was unavoidable on November 26, when school officials couldn't figure out how to turn them off. Photo by Beth Keyes



Where the news is gold

# Ramparts

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◆ **HOW OLD ARE YOU?**  
While many of the Ramparts staff have writing abilities, singing is not one of their talents, according to adviser Amy Clark. Singing Happy Birthday has never been so bad...

## Paper shows promise

Journalism class succeeds with another year of improvement

Jessica Keener

Rampages writer

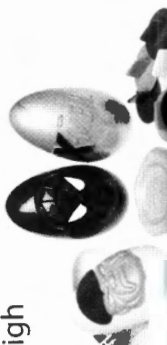


### ◆ NEWS

Precious Paul and Laura Wilke enjoy a break from writing to read the latest edition of Ramparts

### ◆ FEATURES

The most important thing when working together is to have fun; adviser Amy Clark keeps spirits high



With a week to find a story, to interview, and to design the page, the journalism class can get a little hectic. The staff works hard to produce an issue once a month. "As long as you work hard and get everything done in time for the deadline, things go pretty smoothly, but then there are those times when people have to rush to get things done in time," said junior Kelsey McMillin.

With 16 computers and 23 staffers,





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waiting to the last minute can lead to staying after school and in for lunch. But getting the work done leads to good things for the staff of *Ramparts*.

For the staff, hard work pays off: adviser Amy Clark tries her best to keep the class lighthearted in spite of stress. "For my birthday she got me the coolest pair of sunglasses ever! They have thick black rims, and a picture of blue eyes for the lenses and had little holes to see out of," said junior Sarah Benson. The staff knows how to have fun, but also knows how to get the job done. ♦



Junior Annie Childs and John Roche and senior TJ Quick look over an edition of the *Ramparts* newspaper.

# New faces learn how to deal with deadlines

Deadlines and stress difficult for some

**Jessica Keener**  
*Rampages writer*

A new year began for the *Ramparts* newspaper staff. For some the year started off like a breeze; but for others, it was a bit more difficult.

"I had no idea how hard being on the staff was going to be. Deadline days are very stressful, but you learn to have fun at the same time," said senior Stephanie Gibbs.

After the newspaper is completed, the staffers get ready for the next deadline, and start selling the papers. "We have a lot of fun getting ready

**"Deadline days are very stressful, but you learn to have fun at the same time."**  
— *Stephanie Gibbs*

to sell the newspapers, wrapping and packaging them. It's just really fun," said junior Annie Childs.

The *Ramparts* paper goes on sale once a month for a quarter. Staffers usually sell during nutrition break and lunchtime. ♦



Junior Sarah Benson and adviser Amy Clark help senior Jennie Hill make corrections on her sports page for the *Ramparts* newspaper.



# DO YOU HEAR? WHAT I

by katie ross

Singing may just be something you do when your driving or in the shower, but to other people it goes a little more in detail. Not hitting the right notes or maybe not singing in a high enough pitch gets to you after you've been practicing for a few years.

There are also two different types of chior. There is the cantique chior and the chorale chior. 'What's the difference?' you might ask. Well, the cantique chior is for females only and the chorale chior contains both genders. Since females have a tendency to hit higher notes, they have put together a special group which they named cantique. For males and females who like to sing together, there is the chorale chior available.

Of course anybody can sing in a chior if they practice at it right? Well, then you have to perform in front of an audience. For some vocalists, performing your peices in front of an audience is half the fun of practicing for years. A solo part is also an option of really getting your voice out there. Some may choose to do a solo because they have the passion for singing aloud. But, if you ask me what my comfort singing zone is, I'll tell you that I'm the one in the back lip singing!



**SENIOR CADY COOLIDGE PA-TIENTLY WAITS TO BEGIN** the first song of the night's event. The chorale chior sang 'This Little Babe' as their first piece. Photo by Katie Ross



**AT THE 2004** Christmas Holiday Concert, they chorale chior sang bravely from the balcony of the new theatre. Photo by Katie Ross



## OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE MUSIC



**ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY IS THE FINE** Arts Technology lab. Located right around the corner from the band room, it is open to the band and the choir. It is a computer lab with music stands on the desks. They come equipped with small piano keyboards that hook up to the computer. The reason for this is for music students to study music theory, the reading and writing of music and its rhythms. The students can work through a study course, compose a piece or play their instrument into a microphone and have the notes appear on the screen. "This will put our students at a college level in musical theory," **Tim Parry** said. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



**THE NEW SCHOOL HAS OPENED** up several opportunities for the band. The band room has two sound proof practice rooms. They are big enough for a small group or an individual to practice in. "It is wonderful because you can have three practices going on at the same time and never hear each other," Band Director **Tim Parry** said. Photo by John Zdankiewicz

**BEFORE THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING IN DOWNTOWN** Holt, high school choir teacher Monty Bishop pays close attention to last minute changes. Photo by Katie Ross

## TOGETHER WE MAKE THE BAND

by stephanie gibbs

"It was a lot of fun," said junior

Stephanie Edwards

"Hot weather, definitely," said junior

David Benvan

"I didn't like it, it made my feet hurt.

Too much sun, not enough water," said

senior Cristina Hogarth

Drilling, hot, fun,

sunburn, dances, no

parents, bonding,

stressful.

Michigan State Marching Band Camp.

It is the start of a new season; a new class joins in the marching band as the older two classes have said goodbye to last years seniors.

There, rain or shine, the band practices from 8 in the morning to 8 at night with breaks only for water, lunch and dinner. They start with a set of sheets with dots on them that represent people and a practice football field; they end with a spectacular show that they perform

the Saturday they are at band camp

and during every half time at the home football games.

After the marching season the band

moves to concert season which has a

more relaxed mode in the sense that they

aren't outside in all weather and having

evening practices. But

they work just as hard on

the music as they prepare

pieces for concerts and

band festivals.

Individual students let their talent

shine through Solo and Ensemble

competitions. "You prepare a piece and

play for a judge and get ratings. If you go

to States, you sight-read music," senior

Gretchen Baker said.

The band, director Tim Parry, and

all the volunteers work hard and they

produce joyful music year after year.

And as one more senior prepares to

graduate this year, Jason Briggs said: "I'm

going to miss P-Diddy (a.k.a. Parry) the most."





Extend your learning with these academic clubs...

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# quiz bowl

by kacie dittenber

Did you know that Uranus has a moon? Twenty one moons to be exact. This is one of the many fun facts that the Quiz Bowl team needs to know if they want to win at a meet.

Studying and learning facts is not the only thing they get to do; they get a little fun as a reward. Every year the team gets a chance to appear on television. That's right: the team gets to have fifteen minutes of fame. They appear on a teen game show: Quiz Busters. This is where they go up against another school and try to answer questions correctly and then get the satisfaction that they won and gave our school another victory.

## Do you think that you could be on the Quiz Bowl team?

**How long was the Thirty Years War, and what two primary religious groups fought in it?**

30 years; and the Protestants and Catholics.

**What author wrote the *Canterbury Tales*?**

Geoffrey Chaucer

**Who directed the film *Lawrence of Arabia*?**

Sir David Lean

**At 15000 feet, what is the barrier of sound?**

720.9 miles per hour



# forensics

Does your stomach get butterflies when you even think about standing up in front of people? If so, then Forensics is not the club for you. In this club it is all about appreciating the art of public speaking.

Students enter themselves in events where they can show their dramatic or persuasive side. One of the many events is the Duo in which two people team up together and memorize a play so that later they can perform in front of judges to be critiqued and get points for their team. Sound hard? Well it is. The tricky part of this is when the Duo gets up to act they can't use any props. This is not true for Sales speaking, another event where the participant must try to sell a product or service to the judges using props and visuals.

Whether they are broadcasting the news or interpreting a poem, these brave souls have nerves of steel that most Americans do not possess -- the majority of Americans are more afraid of public speaking than they are of anything else.

## — forensics fanatics —



"I joined the team because my friend Alice told me how much fun it was and that I would really enjoy it. Turns out that I do like it a lot."  
~Adam Friedrich



"I have been in forensics for three years. I decided to join because I am a very dramatic person and I thought that it would be a fun way to meet people."  
~Alice Garcia



# science olympiad

With a large group of students on the team ranging from the three seniors and the five juniors, five sophomores and the seven freshmen, the science olympiad team meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays after school until 4:45. This gives them plenty of time to prepare and work on their events. The members of this club are given the choice which event they want to do: they could decide to test their knowledge in an event where they study information and then answer questions, or they could team up and make practical applications in an event where they build a device out of raw materials.

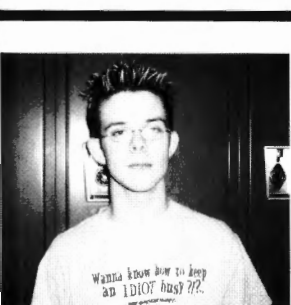


**STUDYING UP** on trees are sophomore **Andrew Quebbeman** and senior **Serina Mazzone**. The two placed third at regionals and twelfth at states in a forestry competition in which they identified trees by their scientific names. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*

# debate

**HAMMING IT UP ON QUIZ BUSTERS** is the 2004 Quiz Bowl team. The students that joined this club get to attend one of the most famous teen game shows in the Lansing area. They are asked tons of questions and try to rack up the points to win. From left to right are senior **Brady Donaldson**, senior **Christine Dykman**, senior **Mike Kaiser** and junior **Alex Schlicker**.

*Photo by Nathan Parsons*



"I got into forensics because I like to act and I think that when I am older I could possibly major in it."

**-Jesse Lovejoy**



## ROUND AND ROUND WE GO.

The Debate team is having a blast on the Carousel at Grand Valley. This is an annual event for the team. "Every year when we go to the seminar at the Ford Museum we have to go on the Carousel, it is a tradition," said senior **Tara Wiedrick**.



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# OUT WITH OLD IMAGINATIONS; IN WITH REALITY

by jessica craft-quenby and heather piper

Remember back in elementary and middle school when it was cool to have braces or glasses or even a broken bone? Remember trying to fool your friends with the paperclip on your teeth or the ace bandage on your arm? Did you ever wear your mom's glasses to school and make yourself dizzy, but it was okay because you wanted them to be real? Apparently a lot of students felt the same way because almost everyone has a story about those past experiences.

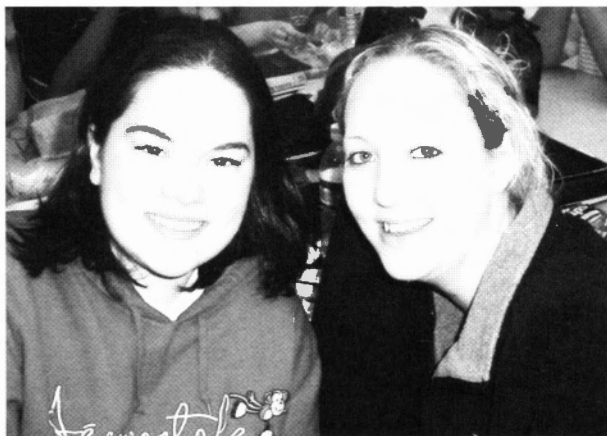
Seniors Nikki Boyce and Richelle Corkins also wanted something they didn't have. Boyce wanted braces and pretended like she had them. Corkins also wanted to have

braces, until she actually had to get them, "Then I didn't want them anymore," she said.

In third grade, senior Savannah Kissane wanted to get glasses because her sister had them so when she went in for her yearly eye exam, she lied to the doctor and told him that everything was clearer with the glasses so he gave her a prescription and she got glasses.

Girls weren't the only ones who longed for something they didn't have. Senior Jason Briggs used to tell his friends that he had a strong 20-year-old brother named Jerome who he would go hang out with and get rides places. Come to find out, Briggs never really had an older brother.

**SENIOR RICHELLE CORKINS SAID THAT SHE WANTED TO BREAK HER ARM** so she didn't have to do her homework. Many high schoolers remember wanting the same thing in elementary or middle school. Many of them sometimes still wish that so they wouldn't have to do their homework. Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby



**"I LIED TO THE EYE DOCTOR,"** said senior Savannah Kissane. She got glasses in third grade after she told the eye doctor she couldn't see without them. Even though she didn't wear them, she was excited that she actually got them because her sister had them. Photo by Heather Piper

**"I WAS COMPLETELY IN LOVE WITH THIS GUY IN THIRD GRADE,"** says junior Nicole Zaborowski. "And I wanted to break my leg so he could sign the cast and carry my books around for me when I was on crutches. Plus, then I could ride the elevator." Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby



**"I DECIDED I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO WEAR OTHER PEOPLE'S GLASSES,"** said sophomore Laura Wilke when she told us how she once wore her mom's glasses to school and broke them when she was playing and got knocked down. Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby

**SENIOR NIKKI BOYCE USED TO WANT BRACES** in elementary school. "I used to put the wires of paperclips on my teeth so it looked like I had them," she said. Many girls also remember doing the same thing. Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby





**JOHN MAJOR WANTED A CAR WHEN HE WAS IN** elementary school. So, to pretend he was driving, he would carry a cardboard box and hold it in front of him, pretending it was a car. He would ride in his Red Flyer wagon and pretend he was driving. But now he has a car so he doesn't have to pretend anymore. *Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby*



**"I BOUGHT KNOCK-OFF FUBU CLOTHES,"** said junior **Eric McCulloh**. He wanted to feel cool and he always pretended like he had the clothes that were popular at the time. He just made up the fact that he had nice expensive clothes at home but his mom just wouldn't let him wear them to school. *Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby*



**SOPHOMORE ROYCE RODRIGUEZ WANTED A DOG,** but his mom wouldn't let him get one so he got a piece of wire and walked around with it, pretending like he had an invisible dog on the end of it. *Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby*



**KELLYE LOOMIS USED CRUTCHES TO PRETEND** her ankle was broken, and she also wanted glasses, but once she got them, she lost them and was happy to not get them back. Now she doesn't wish for anything she doesn't have. *Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby*



**SENIOR JASON BRIGGS USED TO TELL HIS FRIENDS** about his older brother Jerome in detail. He was big and strong; he had a nice car and would give Jason rides everywhere; he hung out with him all the time. And he was 20. The only problem? Jason doesn't have an older brother. He made him up because he wanted one so bad. *Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby*

# THE COMMONS

by heather piper and jessica craft-quenby

Our building has gotten bigger. It's population has gotten bigger. What else has gotten bigger? The area where the students hang out before, after, and during lunch: the commons. But there is a reason for that. The high school doesn't have a cafeteria so lunch is served in the commons area. Most students like the change in the commons and the large area allowed for lunch and think that if they can't leave for lunch, it's nice that they have the commons to eat in.

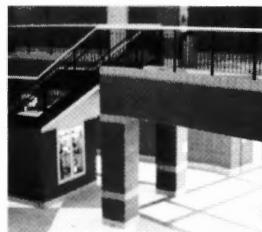
Aside from lunch, the commons are used for many other purposes. School functions like dances, meetings, and parent-teacher conferences are held in the commons. Also, the commons are a nice place for groups to meet during activity periods.



**STUDENTS STAND IN THE MIDDLE OF THE COMMONS AREA** during lunch. The commons are a popular place to hang out with friends during lunch or break periods. *Photo by Jessica Craft-Quenby*



**THE TABLES ARE SET UP AND THE LUNCH STAFF IS READY** to serve the students. At lunch, students have a variety of food options to choose from but only one place to eat at: in the commons. *Photo by Heather Piper*



**THE BALCONY OVER THE COMMONS AREA** is the popular place for security guards to stand and a nice place for spectators when activities are going on at lunch time, usually the week before a big game. *Photo by Heather Piper*



# facing off against new **FORCES**

by John Zdankiewicz

Where old traditions end, new ones begin. People have mixed emotions towards the change of the CAACs. Some love the opponents, some fear them, and others just don't care.

Not only sports, now the CAACs include other activities, such as Forensics and Quiz Bowl. "I don't like how Forensics is included and dance team isn't," says junior Katie Zeisman, who is on the varsity cheerleading team.

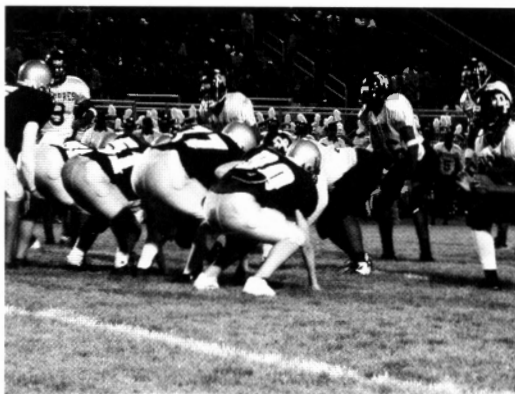
But, others have different views and feel it's good to have everyone work together and compete as a whole school. "I think any team, Forensics or anything, that practices and works together as a team, deserves the same recognition as a sport," says junior Erika Neumann, who is on varsity volleyball.

No matter what activity or sport, each team fights for the same goal: bringing home their own CAAC championship.

## **Division I**

East Lansing  
Eastern  
Everett  
Grand Ledge  
Holt  
Jackson  
Okemos  
Sexton

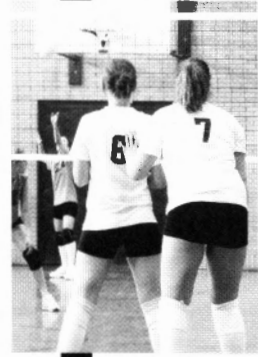
**AGAINST ALL ODDS** the varsity football team stares down their opponent during the first game of the school season. The team took a massive blow when their Division I quarterback, **Mikhail Eisler**, was injured during the game. Photo by John Zdankiewicz







**HOLDING DOWN THE FORT** is senior **Kenny Fellows** blocks East Lansing from taking it down town. One of the biggest high points for the team was their victory over Grand Ledge at home.  
*Photo by Nathan Parsons*



**SERVING UP THE GOOD STUFF**, the JV volleyball team receives a serve from Sexton. Holt defeated Sexton easily in this year's tournament.  
*Photo by Nathan Parsons*



**STANDING AT ATTENTION** The Holt varsity cheerleading team watches across the sidelines at the Winterfest pep assembly. The cheer squad got second and third at their own CAAC this year.  
*Photo by Nathan Parsons*



**BEING WELCOMED TO THE SHOW** the Quiz Bowl team goes under the lights to a game broadcast in November at the MSU Broadcasting Center. *Photo by Nathan Parsons*



**SITTING IN ANTICIPATION** the Holt varsity basketball team spans across the sidelines, with matching jerseys and matching shoes. *Photo by Nathan Parsons*

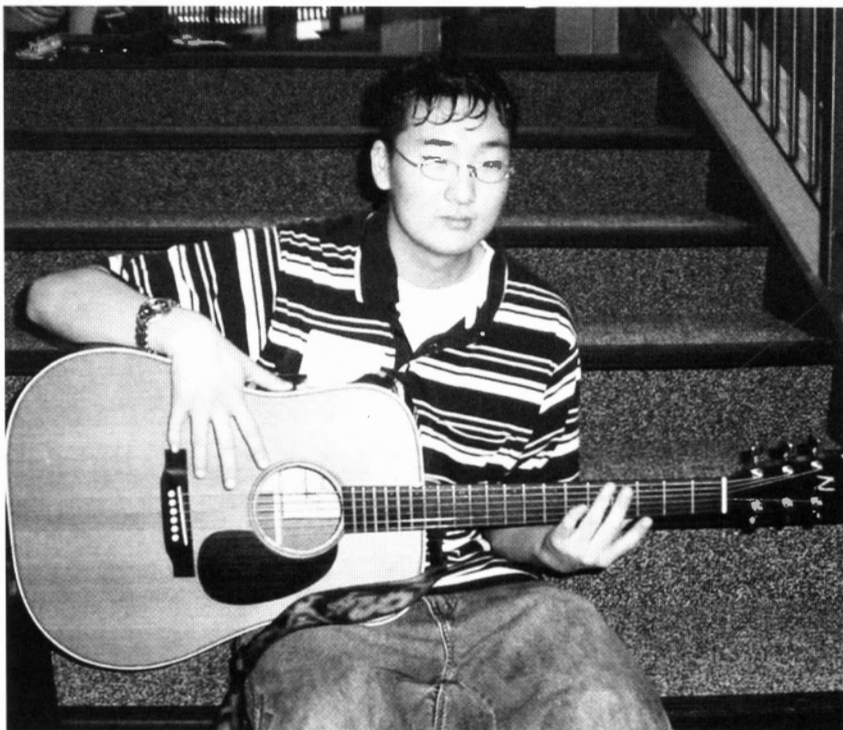


# DREAM JOBS ARE EXACTLY THAT FOR SOME, BUT FOR OTHERS THERE'S REALITY IN THE DREAM

by dani dimmitt

Every little kid has that "dream job" that seems so achievable. Most people have many different dream jobs. In high school there are many influences on these dreams, such as TV, classes, friends, grades, etc. Students now see what is a dream and what is a reality. But dreams are still dreams. These eight students all have jobs that are either an opportunity that they have already been working on, and for others it would just be "really cool."

See if you can match the job to the person, you may be surprised who wants what, and if they see a shining career at the end of their dream.



**Answer Key:**  
A. Therese Ford B. Jason Alleman C. Andrea  
Pena D. Justin Baylis E. Nicole Herriman F. Tom  
Dickerson G. Chris Smith H. Jessica Biller

**BEING A MUSICIAN IS A COMMON GOAL FOR PEOPLE**  
(proved by the popular show American Idol). "I want to be a musician, it would be so cool. My favorite is definitely the bass although I don't mind this acoustic guitar," said senior **Kyle Dane**. For some the experience and opportunity will come along, and for others it will always be a hobby.

Photo by Dani Dimmitt



**Jason Alleman**



**Tom Dickerson**



**Jessica Billeter**



**Nicole Herriman**

"I want to be either a **forensic scientist or a coroner**. It would be really fun, I like to watch CSI and that is where I got the idea."

"I want to be a **sports agent**. I love sports and since I don't really play any this is the closest I can get. If I work really hard, get good grades, and stay off drugs I can do it."

"I want to be a **demolition expert** because you get to blow things up. I think it would be a lot of fun. I probably will end up being a forensic psychologist."

"I want to be a **pro baseball player**. It would be awesome because I would make lots of money, get all the ladies and have a lot of fun. But I probably won't be a pro because I'm not that good."

"I want to be a **movie director**. It would be really fun to make movies. I could handle the stress. I probably will end up opening a restaurant, but who knows!"

"I want to be a **famous actress**. I want everyone to know who I am and I want to be rich! I've never really tried to become famous, but it would be really cool."

"I want to be a **massage therapist** on a cruise ship because I want to travel the world and make lots of money, all while getting paid. I'm going to have to work really hard!"

"I want to be a **body modificationist**. I think tattoos and piercings are a better art form. I am already planning on working at Splash Tattoo Parlor."

**Match the student with his or her dream career.**

**A:** \_\_\_\_\_

**B:** \_\_\_\_\_

**C:** \_\_\_\_\_

**D:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**G:** \_\_\_\_\_

**H:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Justin Baylis**



**Andrea Pena**

**Chris Smith**



**Thereese Ford**



# the next GENERATION HOLT COMMUNITY

by ben berry

**THE HOLT COMMANDOS:** clockwise from the top: **Kyle Cryderman, Tyler Maxey, Adam Cheadle, Terry Megerle, Jason Alleman, Brian Crippen, Tyler Lamie, Kenny Walker, David Appold.** The "Holt Commandos" originated on Blackout Night against Grand Ledge. "We wore all black and brought eye black that everyone in the stands put on, then we were called the black hole," said Megerle. One night commando member Walker decided to wear a helmet which earned then the nickname "Commandos." Following Walker's idea, the rest of the team bought helmets and began wearing face paint. Now even the news stations refer to this unique group as The Holt Commandos. Photo by Chelsea Cryderman



**PREPARING FOR THE HOLT HOMECOMING PARADE,** are seniors

**Thereese Ford, Whitney Arambula, Dani Bennington, and Kaley Hayes.** All are members of Holt's womens varsity basketball team. Photo by Ben Berry



There has been an increase in school spirit following the construction of our new high school. More students are attending sports games and cheering on their teams. Students are also participating in more activities like homecoming. Holt is coming together as a community.



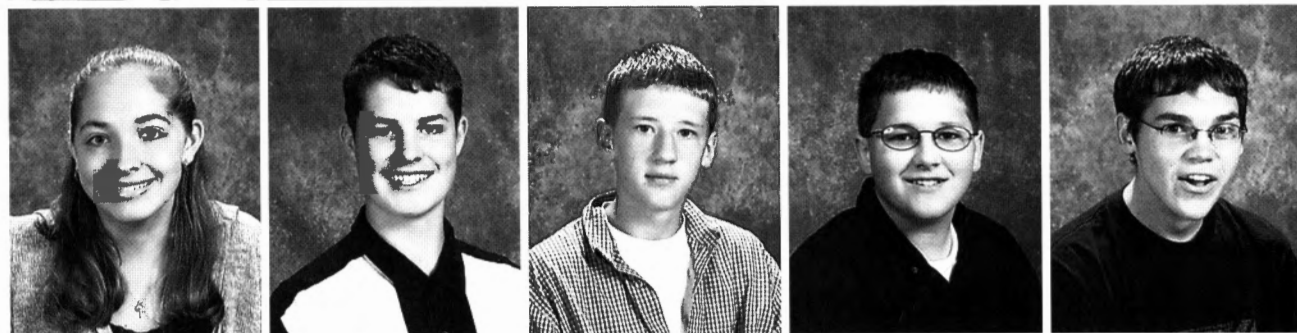
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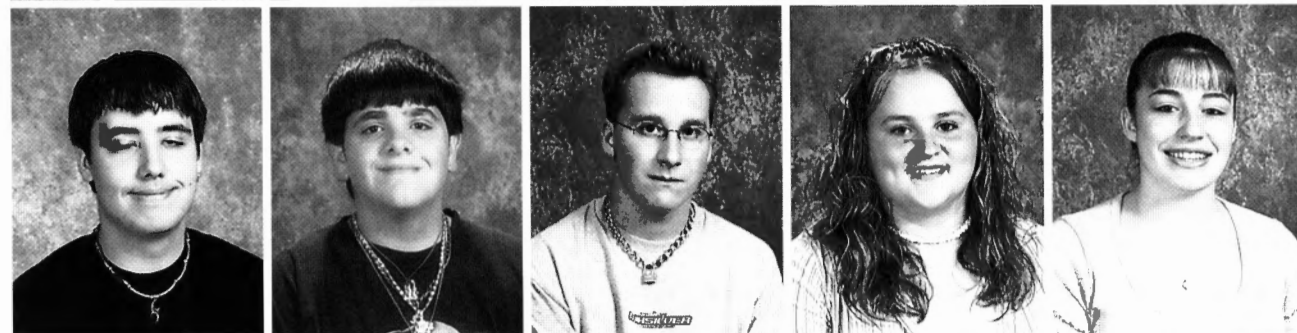
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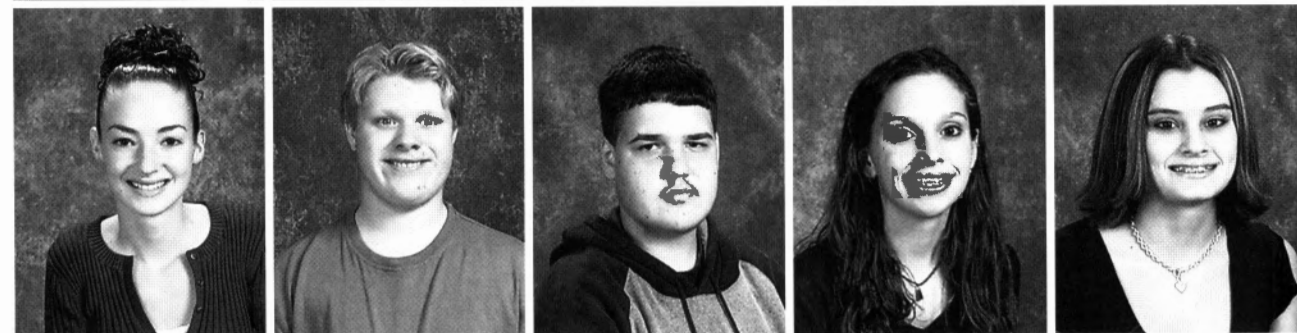
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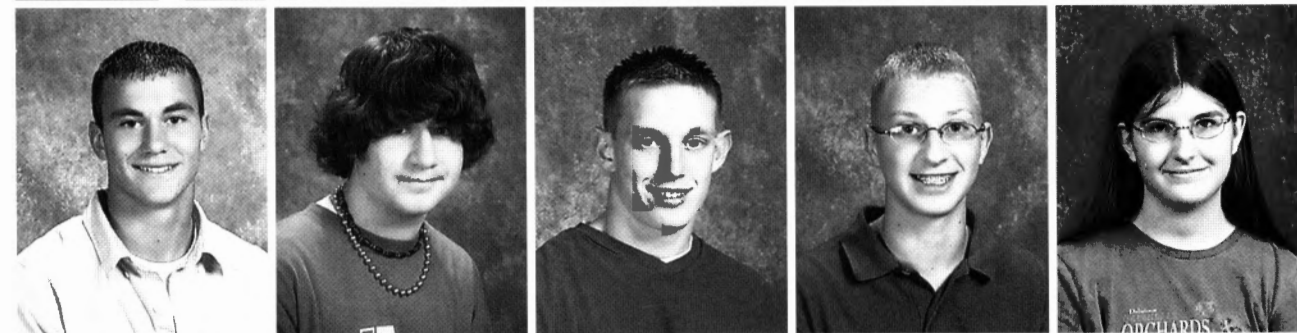
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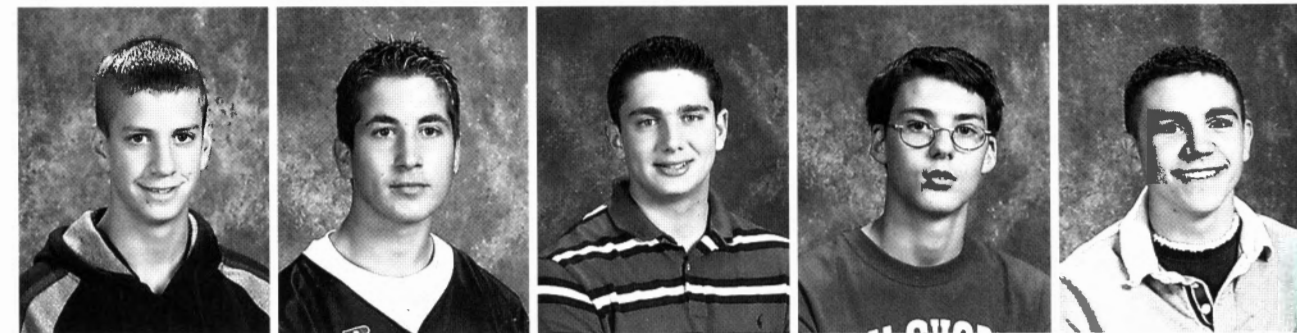
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Brittany Bristol





**STARTING OFF WITH FIGURE SKATING, Kirsten Carlson** made the jump to hockey in seventh grade. Influence by her older brother Ian and the rest of her family. Carlson's transition was an easy one. *Courtesy Photo*



# a league of her own

by katie dillon & jeremy overton

When you think of hockey you might think of grown men with missing teeth skating around smacking and checking each other while trying to score a goal. Kirsten Carlson does just that, minus the missing teeth. She is in an all-girls hockey league where she plays defense left wing.

From figure skates to hockey skates Carlson first picked up a hockey stick in seventh grade and never looked back. "Hockey's been in my family for generations. I used to be a figure skater but I soon learned that hockey was way better," said Carlson of beginning her hockey career. Learning from her older brother Ian, who is now playing in Alaska, making the transition from figure skating to ice hockey was an easy process. She joined an all-girls league at The Summit and began to develop her hockey skills.

Now just three short years later, she is traveling to Connecticut, Minnesota, and even the nation's capital to compete against girls of equal skill levels.

Carlson's sole focus is not on hockey; she's also a member of the varsity girls golf team in the spring. She hopes to continue playing hockey through college and eventually become a coach herself to teach girls the skills she has learned from her coaches.



**SCORING A GOAL,** is **Kirsten Carlson.** A member of an all-girl hockey team at The Summit. She is a serious player with hopes of college and coaching. *Courtesy Photo*



**PLAYING MANY POSITIONS,** **Kirsten Carlson** is ready for anything when she steps onto the ice almost five days a week. *Courtesy Photo*

Kirsten is the most laid back and fun person I know. I could not have a better golf partner.  
**audreydowell**



# it's stinky, and it looks like **a twinkie**

by nathan parsons



In the cold, frost-bitten morning, a tiresome figure stands alone in the dark. The student is somberly awaiting his ride on the big, yellow school bus.

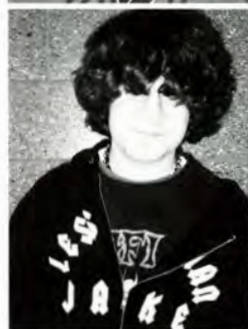
With the majority of students growing up riding to school on these transport vehicles, we have become accustomed to waking up early in the morning to get to the bus stop on time. We have also learned to fear explaining why we missed the bus to our parents. However, our loyalty to the free transportation that our parents taxes pay for ends all too quickly.

However, why is it that so many of our peers hurry to either drive, or get a ride to school, once we reach high school? What is it that is so bad as to scare us from riding the school bus? The following are some reasons described by numerous students.



If you walk in from driving, you look big and bad.

**mikeredding**



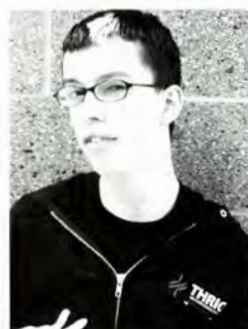
I am scared that the bus will turn over, and crash, and begin burning me inside of it. That's why I don't ride the bus.

**robbiebolanowski**



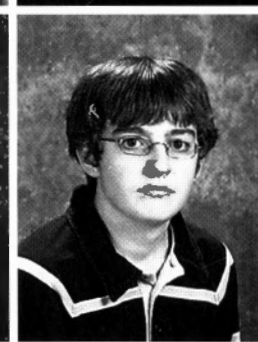
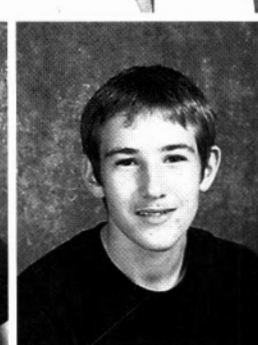
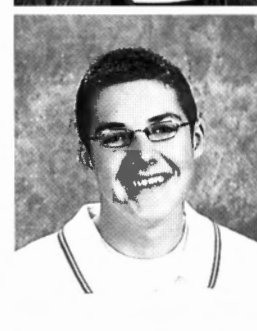
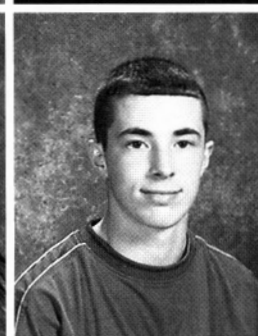
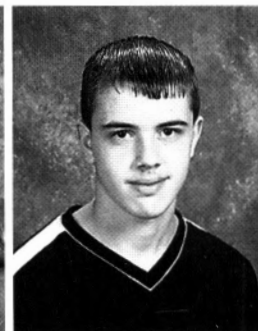
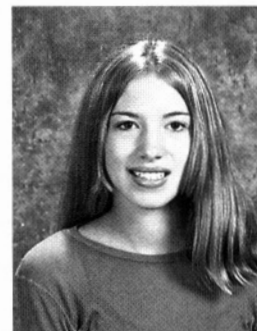
It looks like a twinkie on wheels. It is embarrassing!

**briannaherron**

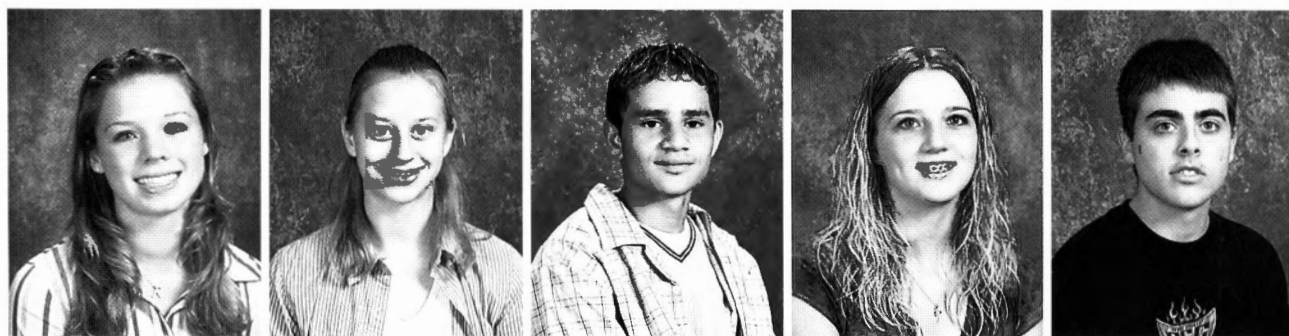


To be old school, I'd ride horse and carriage to school instead of driving.

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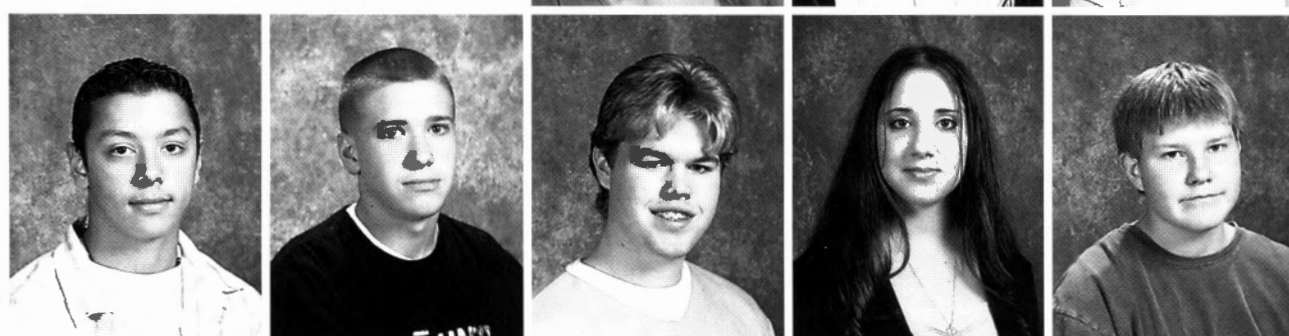




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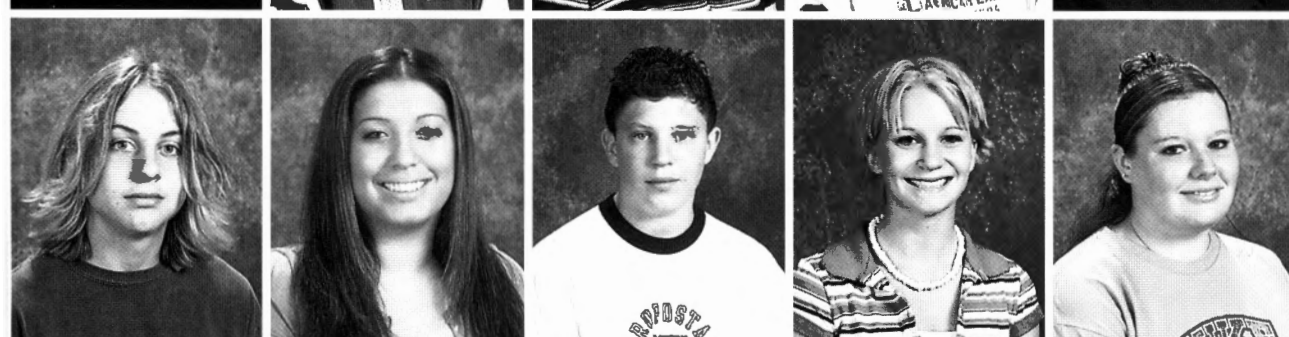
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**ROCKIN' OUT** on bass guitar with fellow Dead End New Jersey bandmates is **Kevin Judy**. Dead End New Jersey opened for the Battle of the Bands contest earlier this year. "I was really nervous and I almost wet myself" said Judy about his Battle of the Bands experience. Photo by John Zdankiewicz.



# joining the crowd

by kacie dittenber & jeremy overton

After being home schooled all of his life, sophomore Kevin Judy is joining the crowd. "I was always given the option of going to public school since I was young, but I wanted to be home schooled."

Attending public school offers a lot of new things to do, like being able to enter his band, Dead End New Jersey, in the Battle of the Bands contest and coming in third place. All of the band members are home-schooled, except for Kevin who met most of his home-schooled friends at church events.

Church is a big part of Kevin's life "I have been a practicing Christian since I was born," he said.

While Kevin has met a lot of his friends through church, he has also managed to meet many friends while at the new high school.

"The best thing about public school is that you can meet a lot of different people and you get to see your friends all the time," he said.

	home school	vs.	public school
wake up	9:30 am		6:15 am
leave	-----		7:08 am
arrive at school	-----		7:12 am
school starts	9:50 am		7:35 am
first class	9:50 am		7:35 am
second class	10:40 am		8:40 am
third class	11:30 pm		9:50 am
fourth class	12:20 pm		10:55 am
lunch	12:50 pm		12:00 pm
fifth class	1:10 pm		12:30 pm
sixth class	2:20 pm		1:25 pm
end of school	3:00 pm		2:35 pm
arrive at home	-----		2:56 pm
homework time	-----		9:00 pm
bed time	11:30 pm		10:30 pm

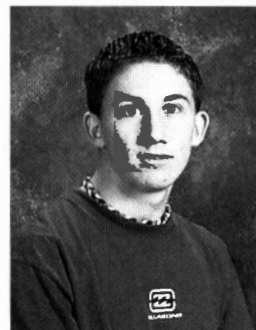
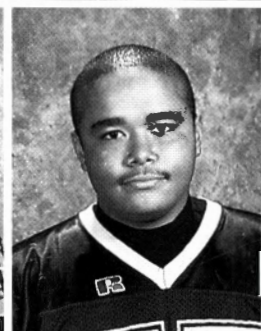
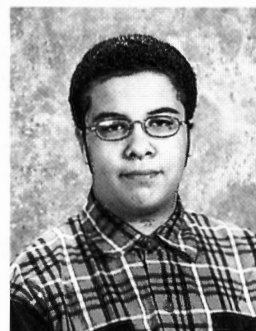
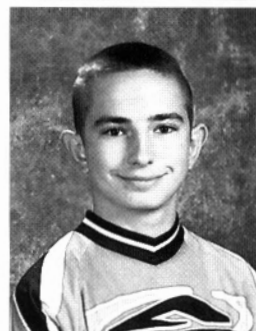
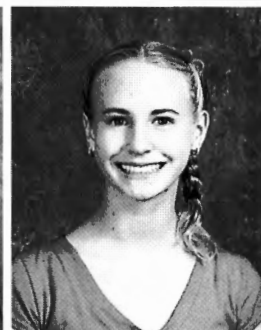
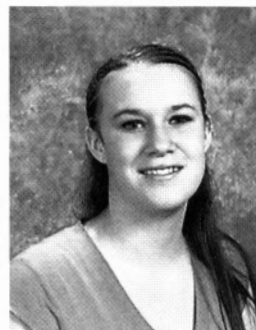
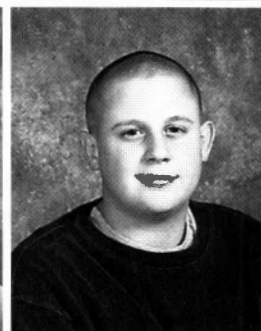
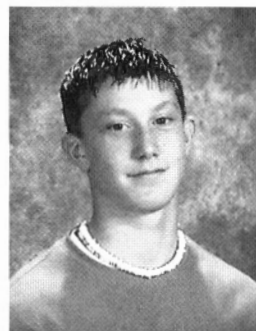
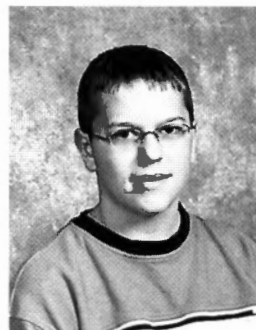


**NUMBER 8** on Kevin's top ten list is extreme biking/sledding and he is doing just that one cold night at Dead Man's Hill. "It was cold but I could take it," commented Kevin on his sledding filled evening. Photo by Jeremy Overton

## top ten

places you would find Kevin with his friends:

- 10 school
- 9 pretzel place in Meridian Mall
- 8 extreme snow biking/sledding
- 7 bowling
- 6 Krispy Kreme
- 5 driving around in his car
- 4 Taco Bell
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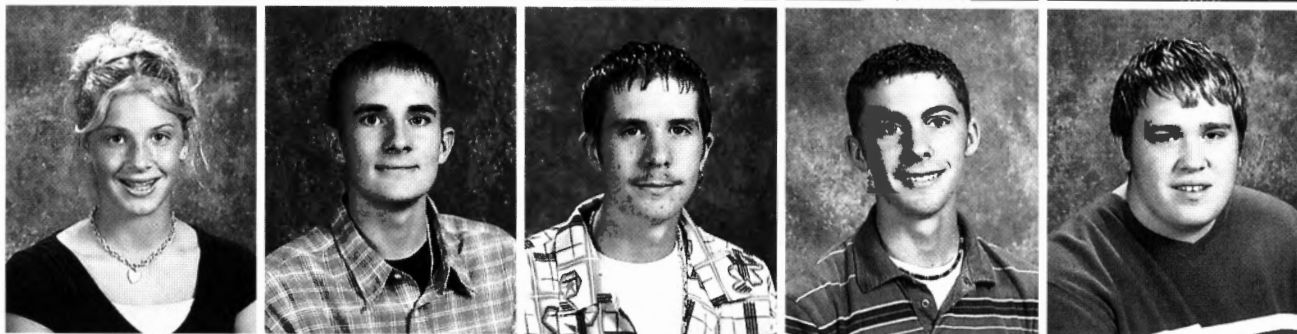
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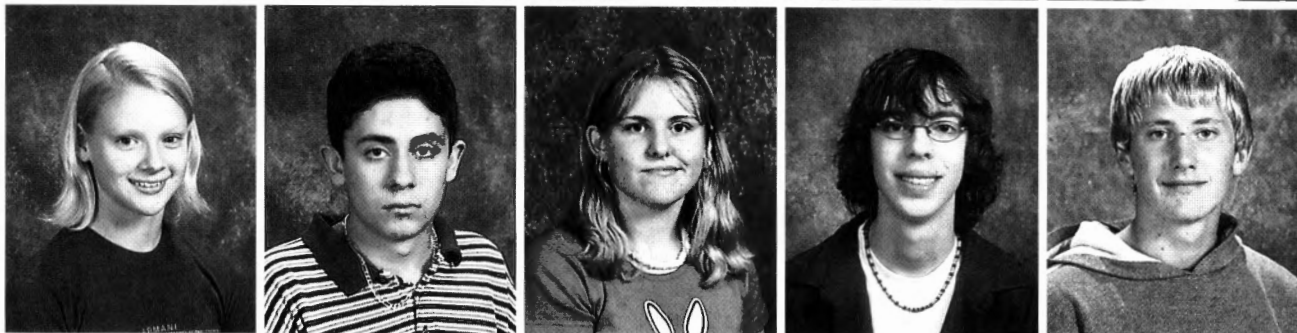
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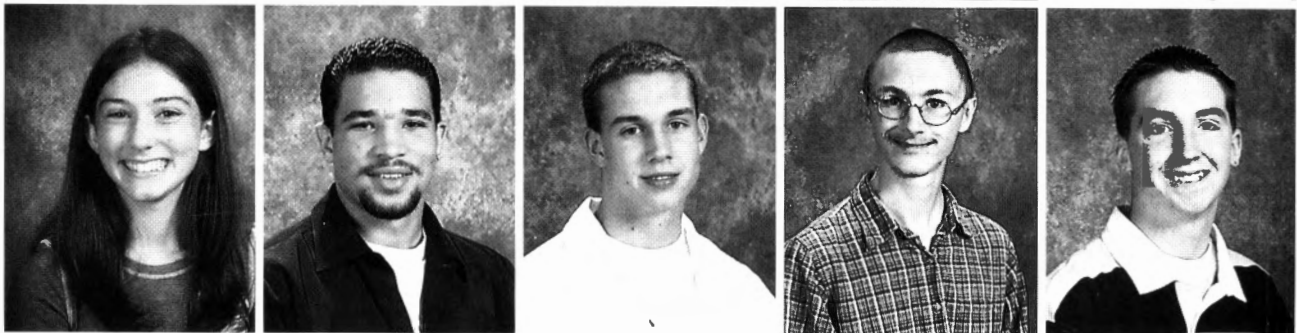
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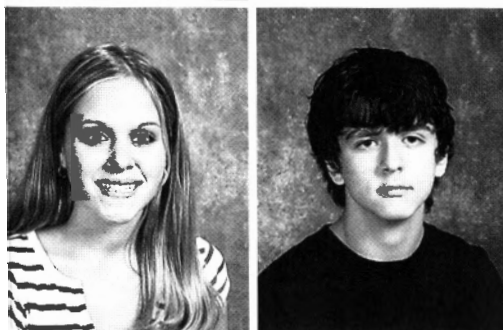
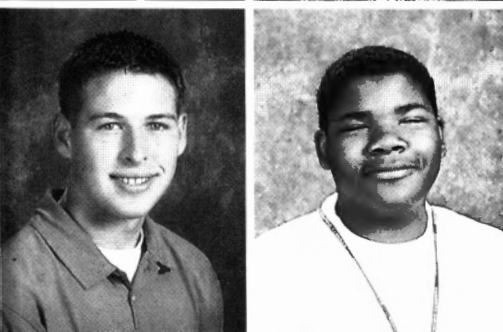
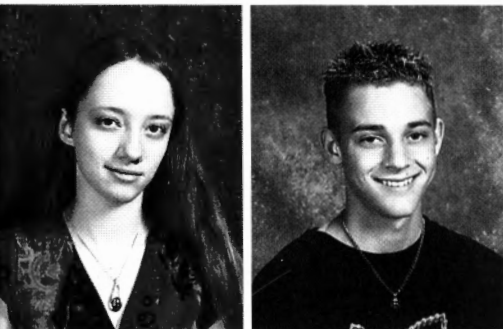
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# you do the crime you do the time

by jeremy overton



You're stuck in a cage, surrounded by nothing but your thoughts and the things you are not supposed to use. You're feeling like it has been ages since you have done the things you normally do in day-to-day life. You feel it setting in, you start talking to yourself and asking, "Am I crazy yet?" No, you're not in jail, you are merely stuck in your room, thinking about the thing you did to get grounded.

You can do almost anything to find yourself in trouble. From coming home five minutes late from a girl's house, to nearly wrecking your father's truck. The possibilities are endless.

"No TV, no phone, no car, no friends, no

nothing for a whole week, do we make ourselves clear young man?" These are among the many things parents say when taking away our precious privileges for bad behavior.

When you hear your parents use an authoritative voice to say your full name: first, middle and last, you know you're in big trouble. Like stepping before a judge, you wonder what you did this time and how long the sentence will be. The crimes as well as consequences may vary, you still find yourself stuck at home, or in your room, wondering if what you did was worth it.

Most of the time, it is.

## the suspect the crime

**Bruce Pettit**



"I went to a party 45 minutes away and told my parents I was going to stay at a friends."

Grounded 3 days with everything except T.V. taken away.

**Shamarr Gearhart**



"I came home late from hanging out with some friends and not calling to say I would be late."

Grounded for 5 days, with no telephone.

**Drew Webber**



"My dog got out and I was too lazy to go get him. So he roamed the neighborhood, and my parents almost hit him on their way home. They found out that I didn't go after him and grounded me."

Grounded from going out on the weekend.



# what can you get for a paperclip?

by kacie dittenber & heather ungerman

A paperclip trade. Who has ever heard of such a thing?

Well, we decided to give two paperclips to two pairs of sophomores. Each pair had to go to as many houses as they possibly could in thirty minutes, while trying to get the best thing that they could get for what the last house traded them.

How persuasive are these sophomores? Can they talk themselves from a paperclip to a new car?

To start off the trade, Shayla Kniffen and Lindsey Konzman went to the first door and received a jacket in exchange for one of the paperclips.

Throughout the thirty minutes they got so many different things. "I liked to see the expressions on the people's faces when we went up to the door," Kniffen said.

It was snowing like crazy the night the girls set out on their adventure. "It was freezing outside, but the snow added a really cool element," Konzman said.

The second pair of sophomores were lucky: they got to test out their neighbors when it was not so blizzardy outside. However Shaun Spivak and Justin Franks were not as lucky as the girls in their trades. Still they pulled away with some interesting things: a pocket knife, pencil, apple and bag of left over Christmas candy were among the prizes they traded.

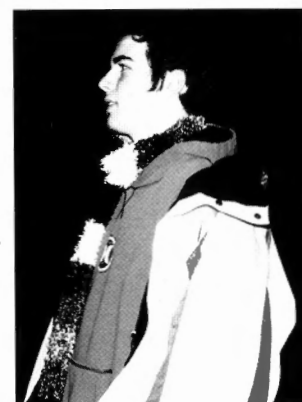
Based on the results of our experiment, we can conclude that either the girls picked better houses, or they are simply more persuasive than the guys.



**PROUD OF A GOOD TRADE** is sophomore **Shayla Kniffen**. She puts on display a pack of Trident Gum. Later it was traded for a can of Mountain Dew. Photo by Kacie Dittenber.

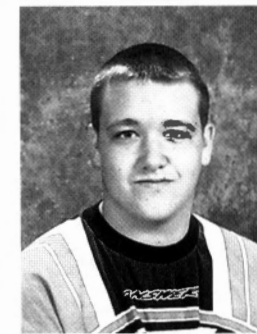
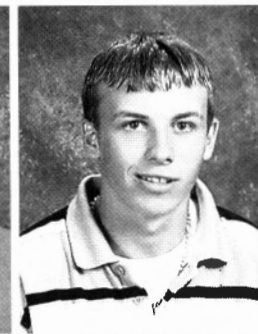
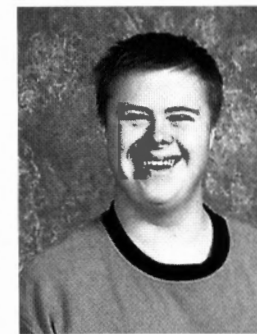
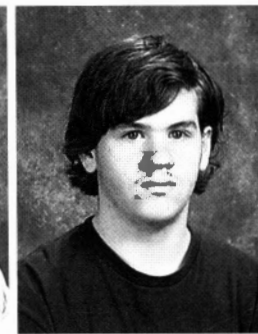
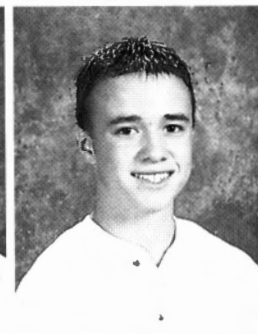
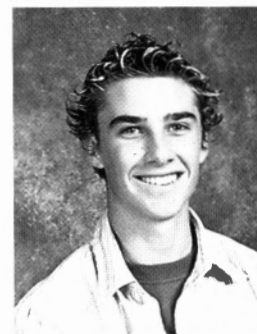
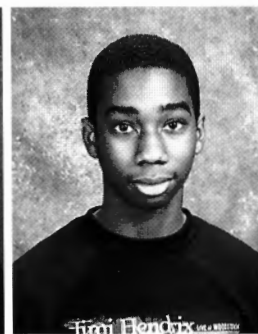


**NERVOUSLY LOOKING BACK** are sophomores **Justin Franks** and **Shaun Spivak** as they approach the first house. The guys made a great trade, a paperclip for a pocket knife. Way to go guys! Photo by Heather Ungerman



**SURPRISED BY WHAT THEY RECEIVED** are sophomores **Lindsey Konzman** and **Shayla Kniffen**. On the last house the two ladies hit it big. They received a candle and a Christmas candle holder. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

**STARING AT THE DOOR** sophomore **Shaun Spivak** waits for an answer. He and **Justin Franks** are on a challenging hide and seek type mission. To find the best thing that they can for a paper clip. Photo by Heather Ungerman







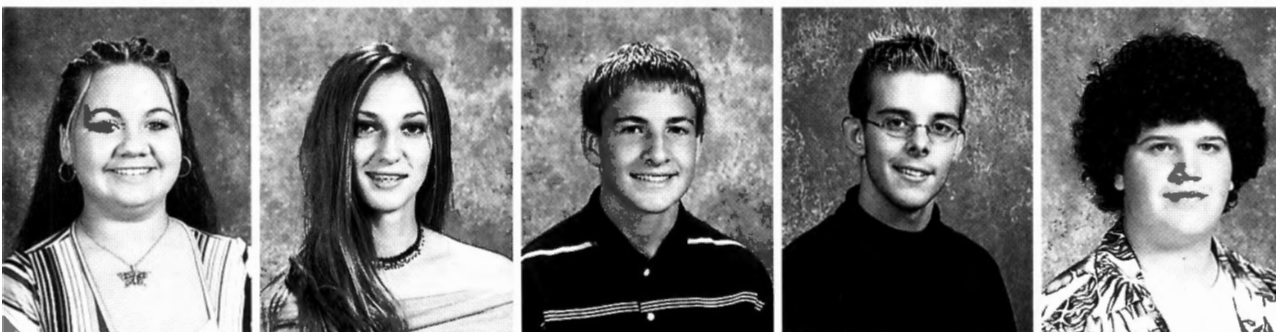
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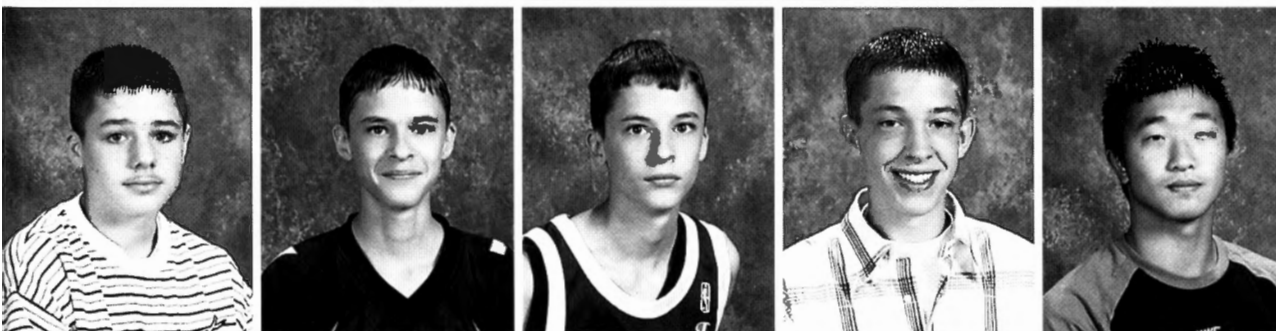
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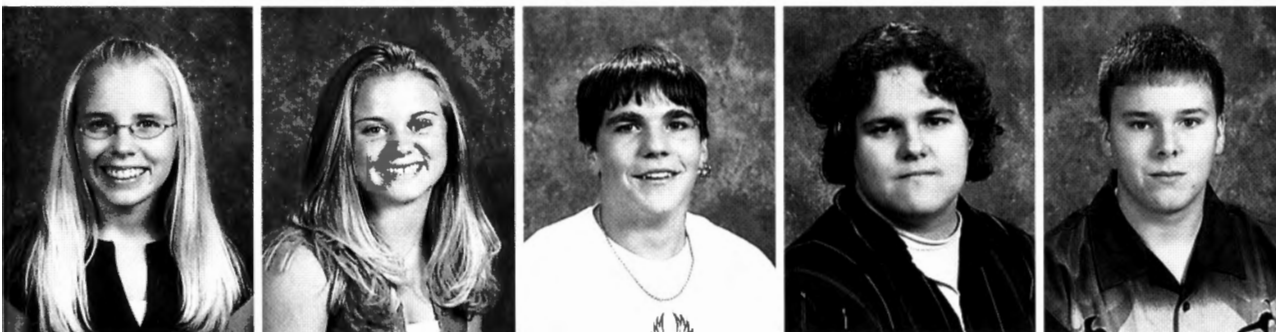
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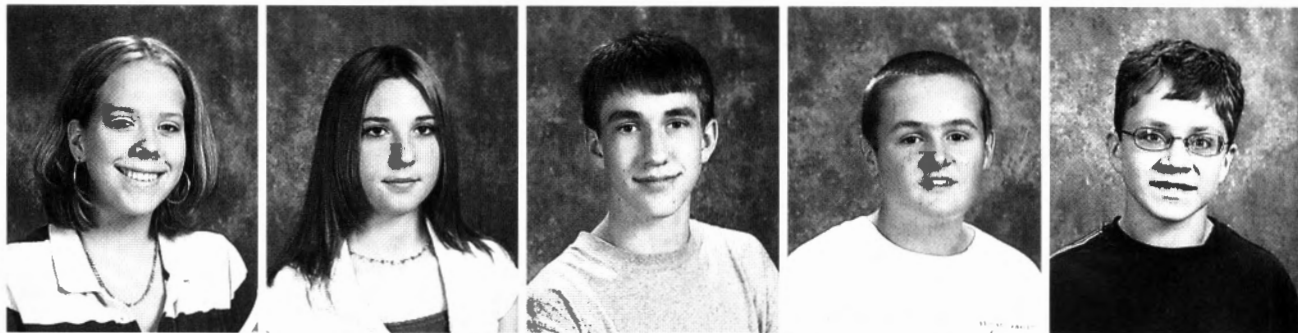
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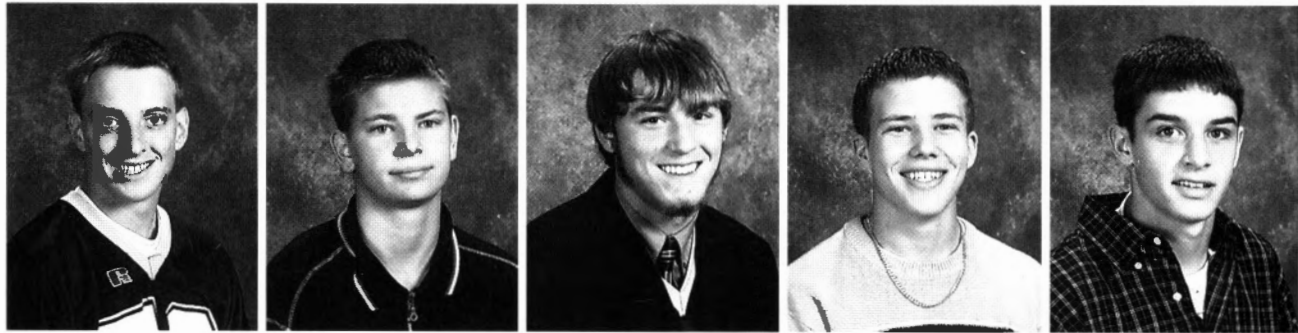
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Do you know what  
it feels like to just be

# living the moment

Misty Mitchell does

by sara bullion

## Who is someone that you look up to?

My sister Amanda, because no matter what happens to her, she always gets through it. She is also really funny.

## What is your dream job and why?

An actress, because I've been in plays and I love to be on stage; it just feels right.

## Who is the funniest person you know?

Amy Waddell. The voice she uses to joke around in is so funny and she can make a joke about anything.

## What are some of your phobias?

Needles: they're scary! The thought of seeing them go into someone's skin is just disgusting to me. I'm also claustrophobic.

## What kind of pets do you have?

Two cats, Rex and Skye, and one dog named Sadie Mae.

## If you could live anywhere in the world where would it be?

Scotland, because it's so beautiful and it seems so untouched by man and that's the way it should be.

## What is your favorite snack?

Hormel chili with cream cheese dip that my mom makes.

## Who are your best friends?

Ellen Meersdom, Chelsea Flinton, and Kristelina Barros

"We've known each other for five years and we just started talking a lot in French class last year and have hung out ever since."

chelsea flinton

"We met in elementary school because she lived three houses down from me and we started talking and hanging out and we've been friends ever since. We always go to the movies and we try to go bowling every Friday."

ellen meersdom



**SUPPORTING HER SISTER** at graduation in 2002, Misty and older sister, Amanda smile for the camera. "I don't remember where we were at for her graduation, but it was a nice day. My sister still lives with us, attends LCC, and is also in the Army Reserves", said Mitchell. *Courtesy photo*

## MISTY PROVES SHE HASN'T BEEN SCARED

of rollercoasters since she was 4-years-old. Here she is at Cedar Point in Sandusky, Ohio. "I wasn't scared of rollercoasters then, and I'm still not today," said Mitchell. *Courtesy photo*



## POSING AS IF SHE WERE A MODEL,

Misty smiles nice and pretty for the photographer behind the camera. *Courtesy photo*



## GETTING READY TO BLOW OUT THAT CANDLE,

Misty smiles as she makes her wish. "My mom didn't have any other candles so I had a big number one." "My mom wanted to make a cookie cake instead of a regular cake so I just said okay. My birthday is in October so I had Halloween decorations on my cake", Mitchell says. *Courtesy photo*



teachers  
who  
sophomores  
100 go

# above & beyond

by katie dillon

Students were polled from every grade about which teacher in this school they admire most and why. These are just a few of those they mentioned.



## Rosie Peters

Selling donuts and running the German Club are a few of the things Frau Peters does for her students. "She's always so happy and energetic. She smiles all the time and has a way of cheering you up when you're having a bad day," said junior Heather Tewes.

## Jim Keckisen

Jim Keckisen competes with students in Intramural Basketball and is on the championship dodge ball team. "He always had new and interesting ways of teaching, we would listen to music, then break down the song and relate it to history," said senior Sarah Moule



## Ayesha Ahmad

Even though Ayesha Ahmad is an intern, she is going out of her way to help the students of Holt High. Starting a yoga class and the Academic Helproom are a few things she has done to benefit students. "She is always so willing to help you with whatever it is. She's young and knows what it's like to be in high school so she knows what we're going through," said junior Hannah Donaldson.

## Matt Trunk

Matt Trunk coaches the boys soccer team and helps with the girls soccer team. He is also the Student Council advisor, which makes him an important part of the staff to every student in the school. "Mr. Trunk's personality is like a wound that is profusely bleeding. You can't stop the overwhelming appeal of his extremely kind manner," said senior Nate Parsons.



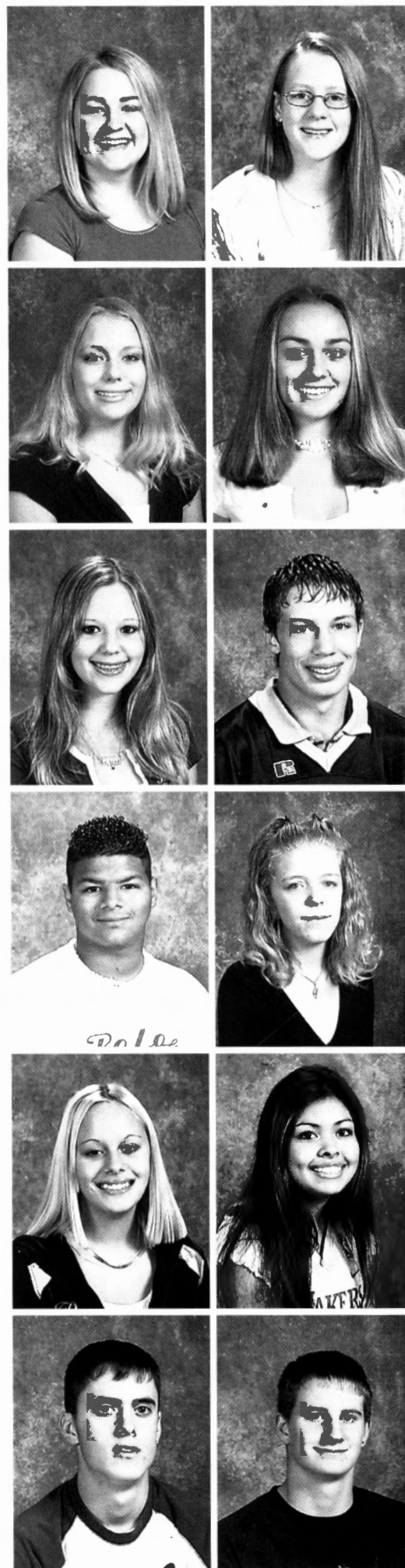
## Christine Beno

Whether or not you have Christine Beno for a teacher, everyone in this school appreciates her. Being in charge of the yearbook is a tremendous responsibility and she does it to her full potential. "There is never a time when she hasn't been there for her students, no matter what they need," said junior Jessica Keener.

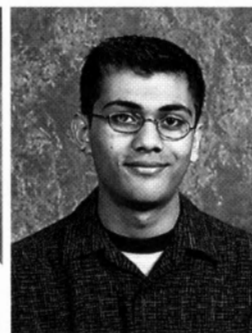
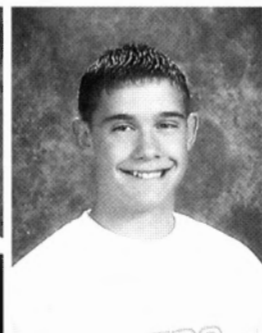
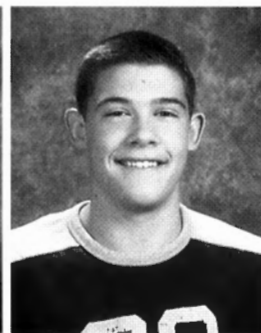
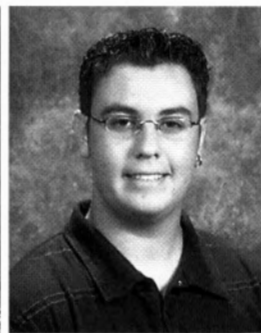
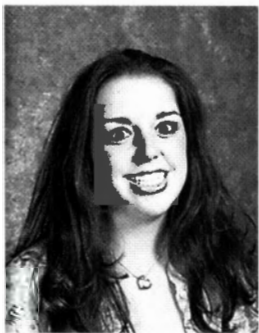
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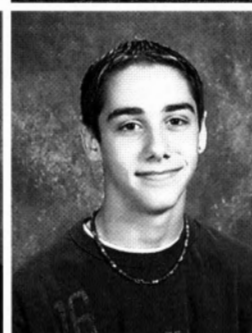
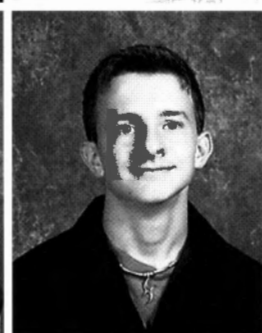
Students have ideas about what they like and what they want in a teacher.



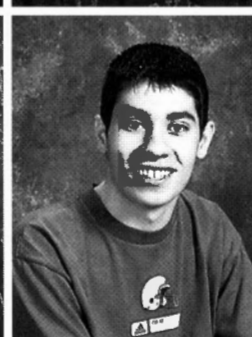




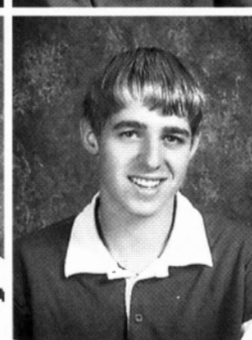
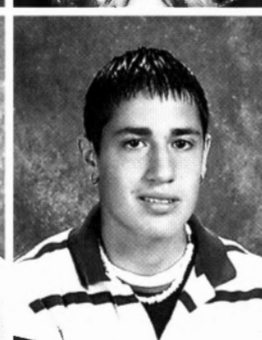
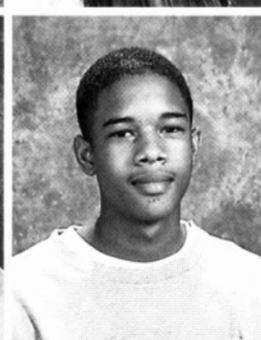
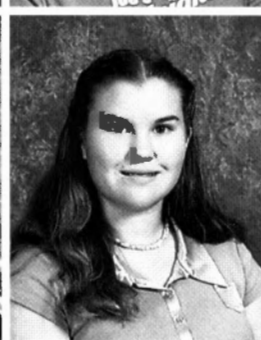
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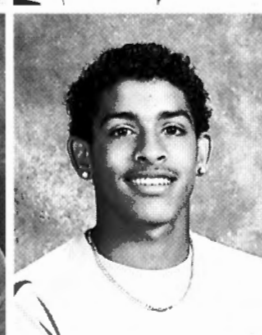
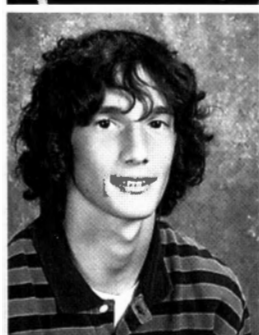
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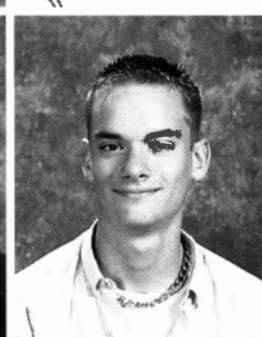
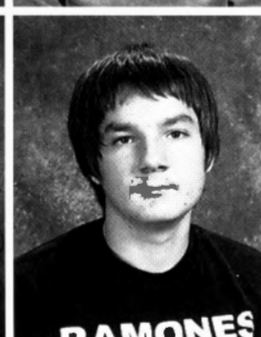
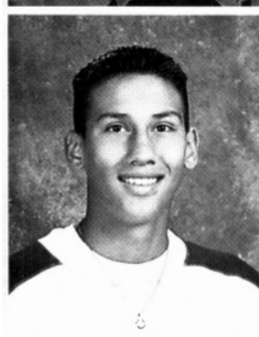
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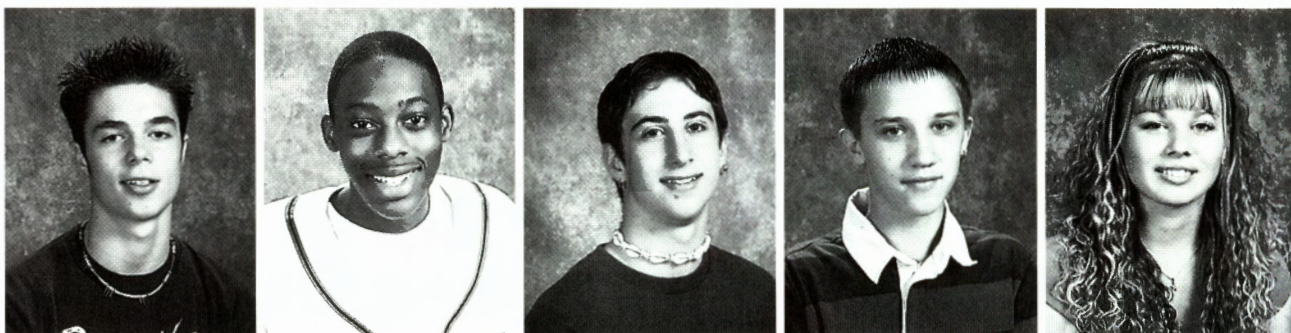
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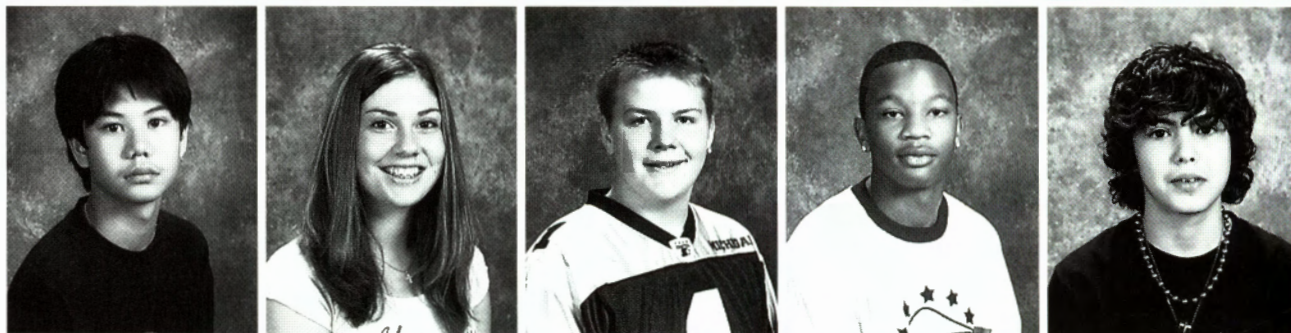
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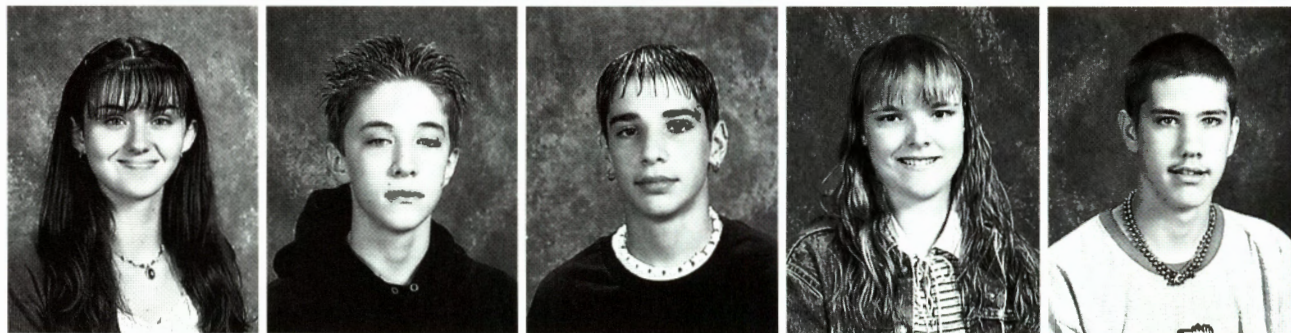
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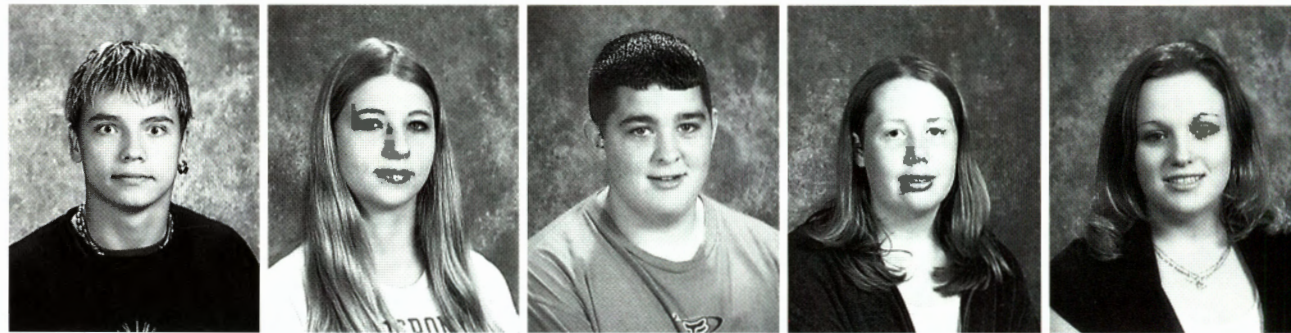
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what do you

think about

# cell phones?

by heather piper

Today, almost everyone has a cell phone, and most people would agree that cell phones are a great convenience. There is still a controversy over whether or not cell phones should be allowed in school.

Students depend on cell phones for various different reasons; getting a ride to and from school, just in case an accident at school or on the road occurs. In this aspect many would agree that of course cell phones should be accessible for students on school property.

Certainly, people should not be chatting with their friends during a lecture. Many people agree that cell phones are a luxury, not a necessity. Class is a time where learning should take priority over everything else. Cell phones do not belong in the classroom, but that doesn't mean that they shouldn't be allowed at school.



## WHAT IS HOLT'S SCHOOL POLICY ON CELL PHONES?

Cell phones are not to be used during the instructional day, beginning at 7:30 A.M. and ending at 2:35 P.M. They are not to be used during break or at lunch. (Pg. 14, School Hand Book)

## what do you think about the school policy?

"I don't think that students really need them during class time, so I think it's a good policy."

-Junior **Teddy Priebe**

"Well, mine just went off during my final. I don't think that teachers should throw a big fit about it."

-Sophomore **Molly Kosloski**

"I think as long as we don't use them during class and it's not a distraction I think we should be able to use them during break and lunch."

-Sophomore **Allison Kelly**

"It's good. I don't think we should be able to use them in class."

-Senior **Mark Tomic Bobas**

"What if there's an emergency and we need to call someone? Besides we should be able to use them at lunch when we're not in class."

-Sophomore **Justin Baylis**

"It stinks, because if my dog died and no one could get a hold of me through the office, my mom or dad could just call my cell phone and I would know right then."

-Sophomore **Tyler Thelen**

"It's a stupid rule. What if you had an emergency and you're not in class. I think you should be able to use them when you're not in class because you're not hurting anyone else."

-Junior **Daniel Amerman**

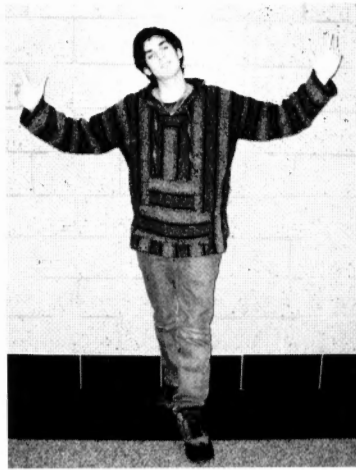
"I don't think we should have it because teachers are allowed to talk on them, but we can't. They want us to act like adults, but they can't treat us like adults?"

-Junior **Lacy Lippert**

"I really don't like it. I think we should be able to have them, just on silent or vibrate mode."

-Senior **Lavoris Watkins**





**THOMAS IN HIS JESUS-LIKE POSE.**  
"I could take over the world if I wanted to, but I have better things to do," said Kroll. One of these "better things" is watching *The Twilight Zone*, which Kroll said is his favorite TV show. Photo by John Zdankiewicz

# rock on live free

by bethany hollern and jeremy overton

Imagine this: You're walking down the halls of Holt High School and you see a guy dressed in a psychedelic disco shirt looking like it's from the 1970's. Halloween? No, it's just a typical ensemble of Thomas Kroll.

Nicknamed "Hollywood," Thomas Kroll is one of the most unique guys at Holt High School. His motto is "Rock On! Live Free!" and he says it to people all of the time.

When they're asked to act out scenes in Spanish, Thomas doesn't just talk in monotone like the rest of the students in the class. Instead, he goes all out, acting out the scene with style and emphasis. Thomas also has a flute-like instrument which he uses to play songs on during Spanish.

"Thomas is quite an interesting fellow," sophomore Tyler Thelen said. It's not unusual to see Thomas sporting Hawaiian shirts, disco clothes, and horns on his head.

"Thomas Kroll is a cool guy. He's really smart and I think that people should get to know him," said sophomore Allison Vanderberg.

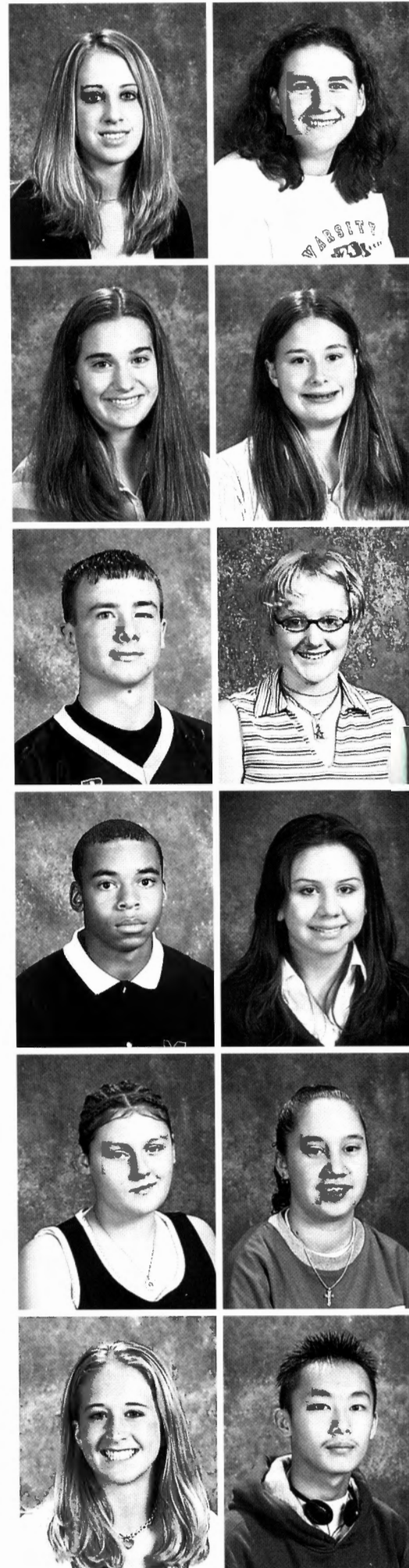
Everyone can agree on one thing about Thomas: he doesn't care about what other people think about him and he isn't afraid to be himself.



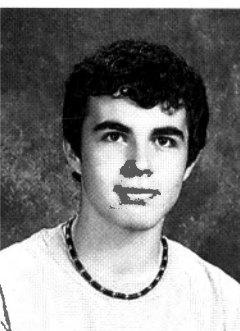
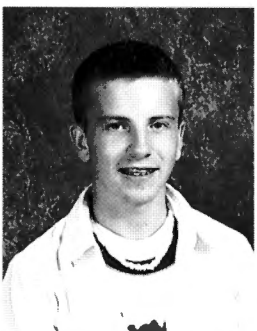
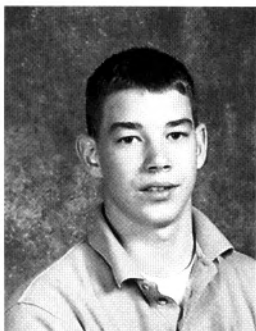
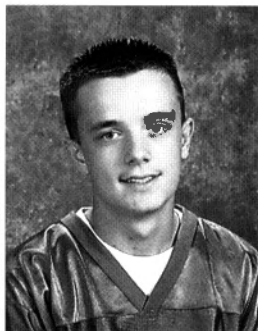
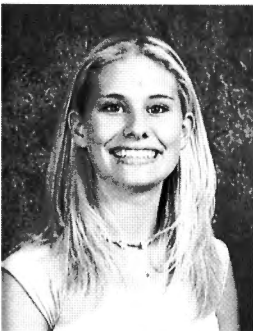
**POSING IN FOREIGN FASHIONS,**  
**Thomas Kroll** looks confused. "I'm wearing the shirt that my brother brought me back from Mexico. I wear it a lot," said Kroll. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



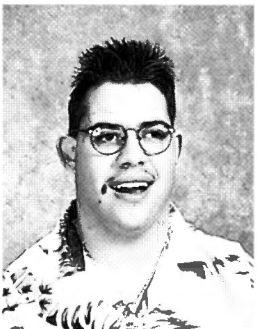
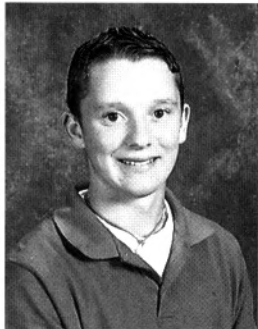
**THOMAS KROLL WEARING HIS**  
much-talked about disco shirt. "Tom's shirt is so cool," said sophomore **Richelle Brown**. You can tell by Kroll's shirt and pose that he's obviously not afraid to be unique. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



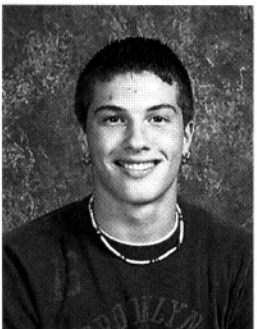
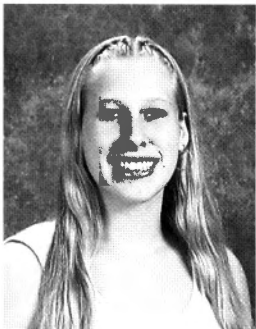
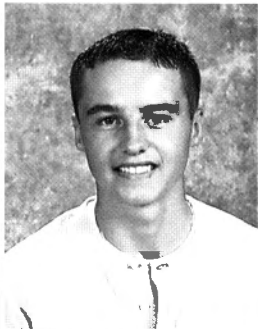
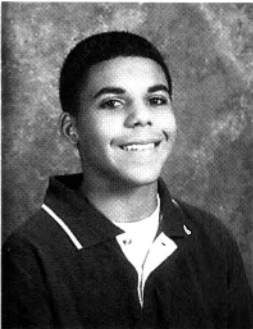




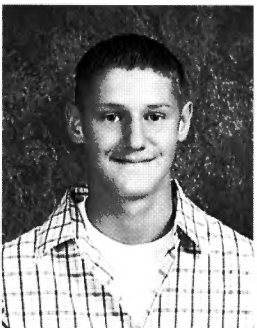
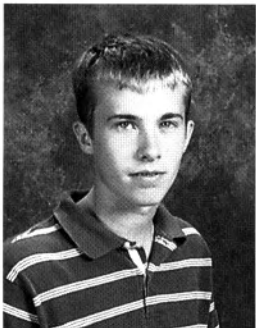
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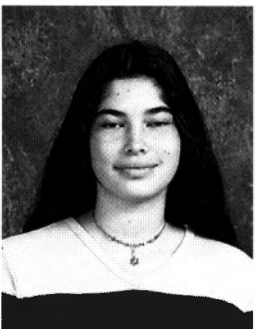
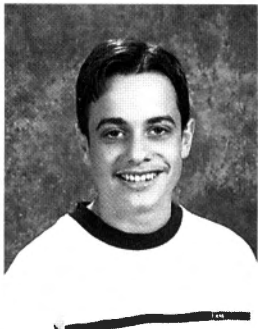
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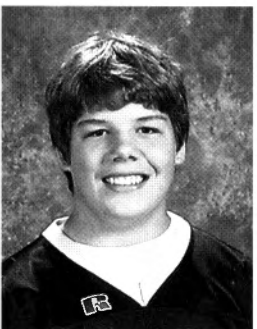
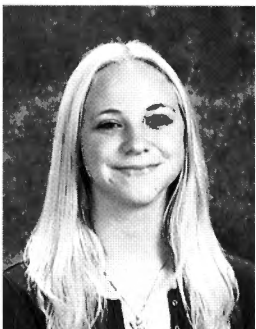
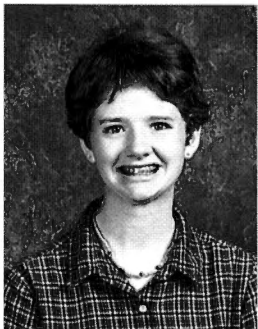
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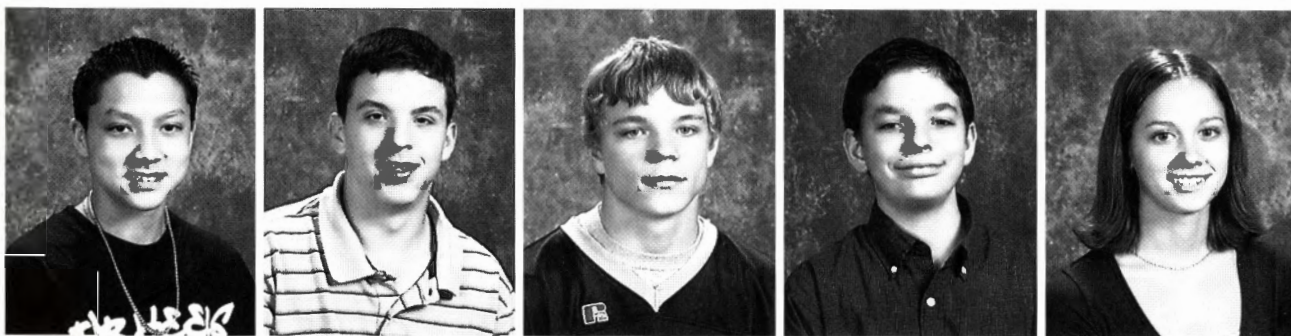
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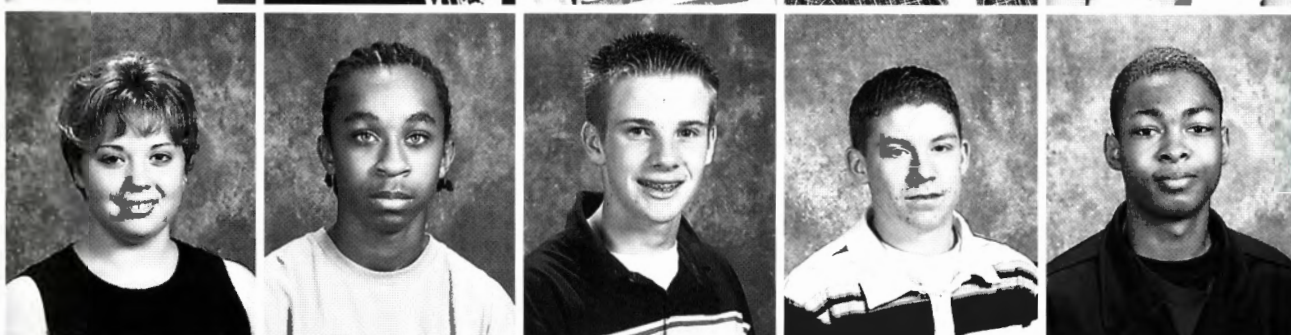
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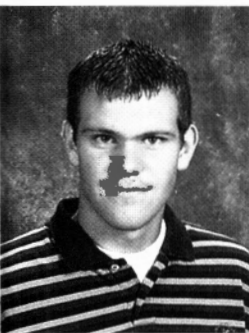


Tiffany Ziolkowski





# Earning the **extracash** by jessica keener



## **SOPHOMORE**

**Erin Conley**  
makes a sandwich  
for a customer at  
Subway where she  
works.  
*Photo by Jessica  
Keener*

The time comes for every teenager to find a job. For some the task is simple, but for most it's a dreadful duty. Many local businesses look away from teens because of the child labor laws. But not all teens are unlucky. Here's the chance to see where they applied and how they got there.

**Who:** **erin conley**

**What:** **sandwich maker, small food prep**

**Where:** **subway**

**Why:** **I have to pay for my own insurance and that's really expensive**

**How:** **my sister knew the boss, so my chances were a little better getting the job than usual**

## **work** by the rules

THE GUIDELINES OF HAVING A JOB

### under 16:

- maximum of 6 days in 1 week
- 8 hours maximum in a day
- A maximum of 48 school hours and work hours combined
- Allowable times:  
7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (school in session)  
7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. (summer vacation)

### ages 16-17:

- A maximum of 6 days in a week
- A weekly average of 8 hours per day
- 48 hours combined school and work hours in 1 week
- Allowable times:  
6:00 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. (school in session)  
6:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. (summer vacation)  
6:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. (Friday and Saturday)

### work permits

A completed work form is necessary for a minor to be employed in the state of Michigan. A CA-6 pink form is for minors under the age of 16. A CA-7 yellow form is for minors 16 and 17 years old.



# two of a kind

by ashley duffy

## What teacher are you most like?

They are bossy, mean, and they give a lot of homework. They are the ones that make high school a challenge. Who is it, you ask? Well, they're the teachers, of course!

But all of that is not really true; it's just the reputation they get. No matter how scary it may seem, some students are a lot like their teachers and here are the ones who admit to it.



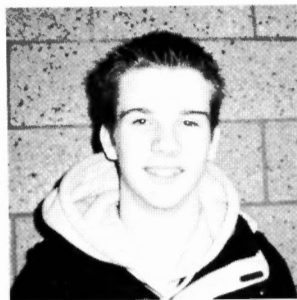
**"I AM MOST LIKE MRS. CLARK**  
because we have the same sense of humor and we're both beautiful," says junior **Annie Childs** Photo by Ashley Duffy



**"I AM MOST LIKE FRAU PETERS**  
because we are friendly, we're dedicated to everything we do, and we are best friends," said junior **Chris Smith** Photo by Ashley Duffy



**"I AM MOST LIKE MS. BARRETT**  
because we have the same initials, and similar personalities," said junior **Brooke Bambusch** Photo by Ashley Duffy



**"I AM MOST LIKE MR. KECKEISEN**  
because we both say the same things when we get mad," said sophomore **Eric Wills** Photo by Ashley Duffy



Sarah Castor and Ms. Ahmad

**"EVERYONE TELLS ME THAT I ACT**  
a lot like **Ms. Ahmad** because we both talk a lot, and we are very outgoing and happy. Another reason I think is because we are both extremely short and we have our noses pierced," said junior **Sarah Castor**. Photo by Ashley Duffy



Mrs. Russo and Alicia Kyte

**"OUT OF ALL MY TEACHERS I THINK I**  
am a lot like **Mrs. Russo** because we act the same and we look a lot alike. Our styles of dress are similar, too. One day we were wearing the exact same shirt," said junior **Alicia Kyte** Photo by Ashley Duffy



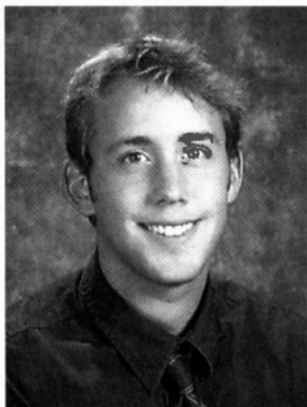
Frau Tews and Annilise Chagnon

**"I AM MOST LIKE FRAU TEWS**  
because we have the same sense of style, and the same outlook on life," says junior **Annie Chagnon**. "We both maintain a positive and happy perspective on our daily and future endures," said **Tews** Photo by Ashley Duffy

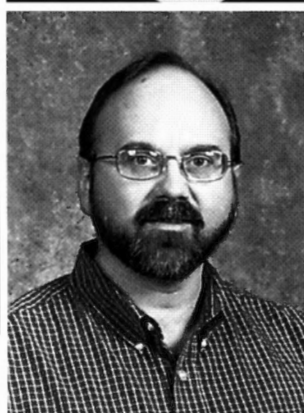
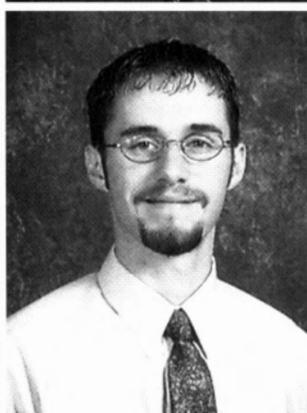




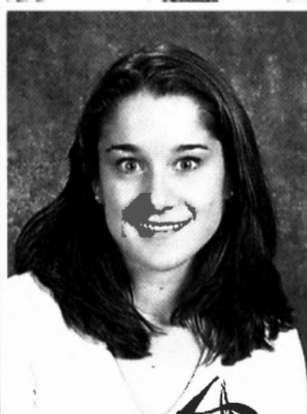
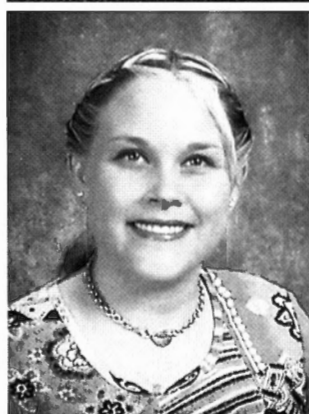
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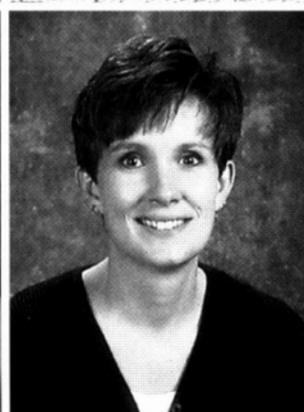
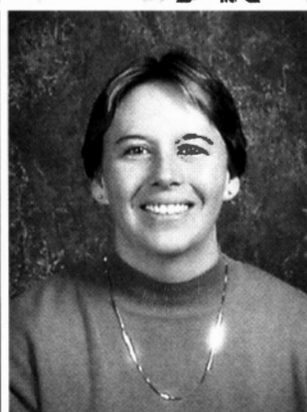
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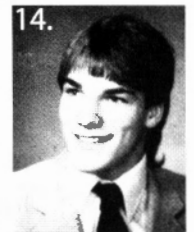
They came to  
school and left,  
then they came  
back as teach-  
ers, but...

# some things never change

by jenafer craft-quenby, heather piper & jessica craft- quenby

Guess the staff member...

- a. Lori Buwalda
- b. Gale Deadman
- c. Bobbijo Bennett
- d. Terry Roberts
- e. Dan Knetchel
- f. Roseanne Frazier
- g. Tim Parry
- h. Becky Swanson
- i. Bruce Duling
- j. Jon Harmon
- k. Brooke Barrett
- l. Pat Whitford
- m. Stephanie Kingsley
- n. David Foy



## and some things do...

We asked teachers what HAS changed since they went to Holt (obviously not Mr. Knetchel's maturity level). We also asked about what teachers were their favorite and why. Here are some of the responses...



**CLASS LOUDMOUTH:** Julie Gruhm, Dan Knetchel "There's a new school, we've got more money and more clientel. There were about 270 in my graduating class, now it's about 1/3 bigger. There's more college prep, because people are caring about their grades. Most of my teachers are gone, except Ernst, Lehman, Gillett, and Restau. The athletic department is better, we're more competitive, especially in basketball. When I graduated, we were the smallest in the CACs." **danknetchel** ('84)



"My favorite teacher was Mrs. Whitney because she made you work hard even when you didn't want to and, believe me, I didn't want to. She's the only teacher that wouldn't let me sleep in class." **patwhitford** ('85)

**MOST MUSICAL:** Tim Parry "When I came back from Portland, it still looked the same. Everything was kept up, just the teaching methods were different, like the Wednesday mornings. Now, it's more of a progressive school district. The student body has the same attitudes, the same level of wealth and such, but it's not as big of a city as I expected." **timparry** ('69)



**MOST PREPPIE:** Stephanie Fullerton "It's a new school, there's more students and new developments. And we focus more on preparing students and career development." **stephaniekingsley** ('82)

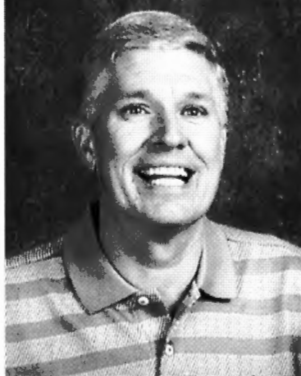
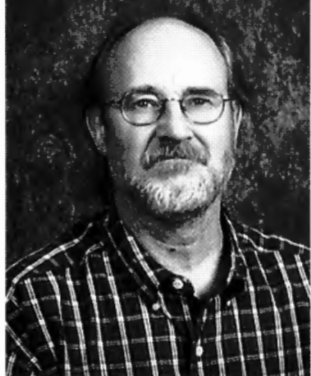


"I got kicked off hall monitor because I had the ninth graders waiting on me hand and foot. And now, look what I am." **terryroberts** ('70)

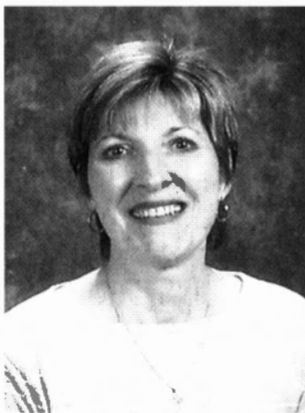


"When I first came back, a lot of my teachers were still here. Now most of them are retired, except Mr. Gillett and Mr. Foy." **loribuwalda** ('89)

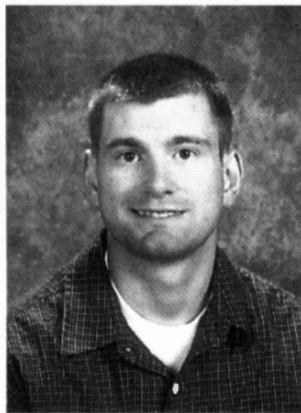




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Mary Dewolf  
Dan Ernst



Teri Field  
Shannon Fineout  
Stephanie Fizzell



Dave Foy  
Beth Frazier  
Shawn Gedert



Kathleen Grant  
Juanita Grew  
Anna Gustitus



Marcia Hicks  
Dave Hildebrandt  
Sue Hill



sometimes it's  
fun to look at  
yourself

# back in the day

by katie ross



**bethfrazier**

Graduated in 1966 from Western High School in Michigan. Ms. Frazier, now a Meal Management teacher, used to ride the bus during her senior year or hitch a ride with her boyfriend whom she ended up marrying. Frazier was the president of GAA (Girls Athletic Association). It consisted of many different sports for highschool girls to attend.



**gaildeadman**

Graduated in 1967 from Holt High School. Gail is one of our security guards who enjoyed playing soccer and volleyball her senior year. Her favorite teacher was Mr. Hovan who taught English and also coached basketball. Deadman says "You didn't slack off back then because your parents were on you to get good grades."



**deniselehman**

Graduated in 1971 from Plainwell High School in Plainwell, Michigan. Lehman played tennis for four years and during her senior year she played powder puff football. She was also on the track and field team and enjoyed going to Quebec, Canada with her French club once a year. There they visited museums and practiced french."



**davidfoy**

Graduated in 1977 from Holt High School. Mr. Foy, who teaches chemistry now, says his best memory of his senior year was running cross country in the fall. Interesting enough, his coach was Mr. Gillett! Foy also ran track and played basketball during his senior year. His favorite teacher was Mr. Dukerich, a chemistry teacher, who the kids called "The Duke".



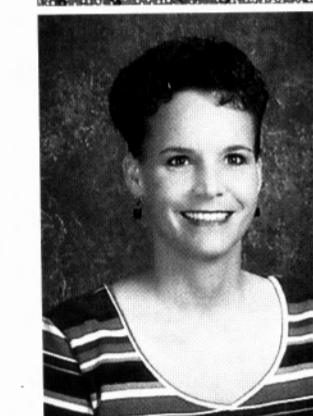
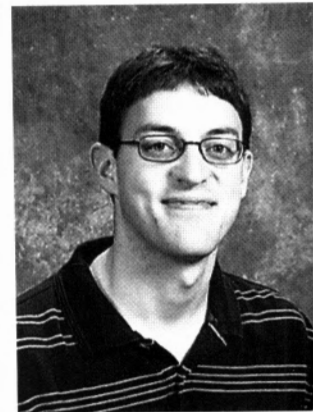
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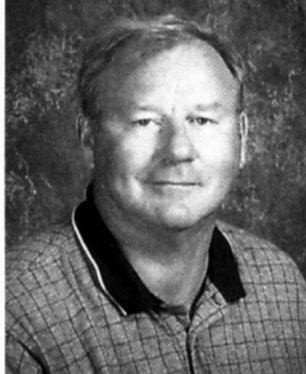
I was scared about graduating because it meant I was going to be out in the real world and either I had to get a full time job or join the military.  
**danplunkett**



I was planning on going to college to get a degree in elementary education and I was looking forward to being on my own.  
**janejohnson**



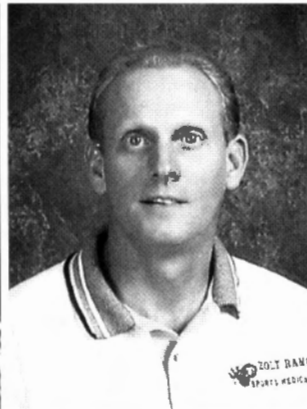
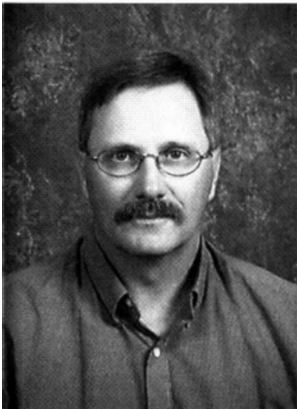




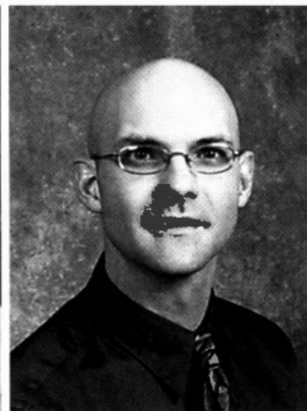
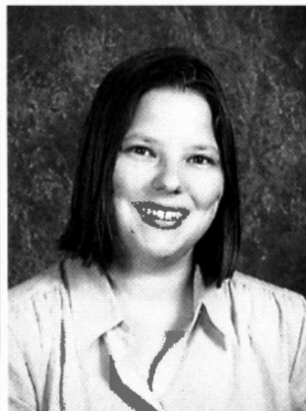
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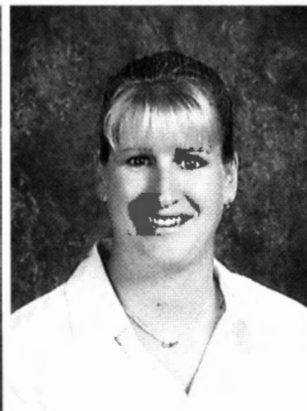
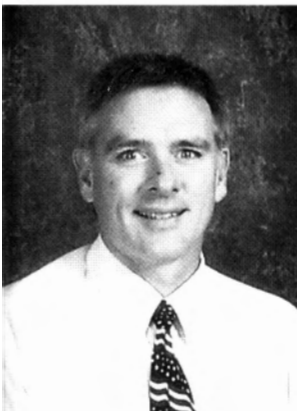
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Margaret McMillen  
Catherine Meyer  
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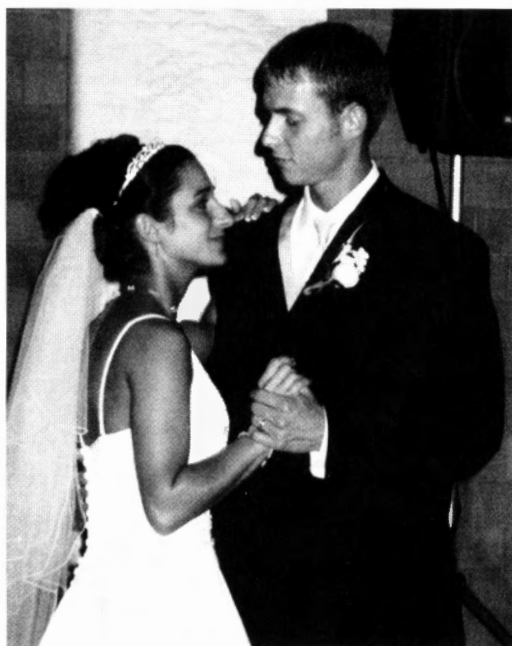
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# summerbreak

by raquel llinas

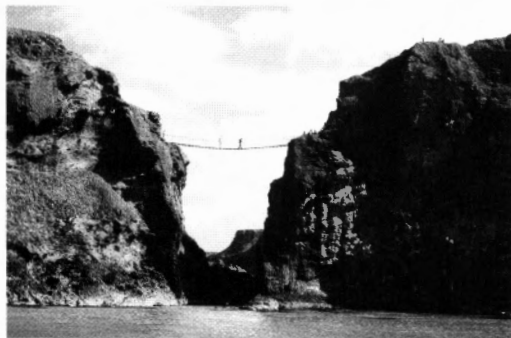
## jessica cotter, social studies

As an intern last school year, Jessica Lathrop became familiar with many of the staff and students and decided to pursue her career at Holt High School. In the summer of 2003, Lathrop married Ty Cotter, on their honeymoon the newlyweds traveled to Utah to go hiking. "It was something different," said Cotter.



## gordon bieske, special education

One of Gordon Bieske's favorite things to do is travel. Here is Bieske in Ireland with a couple of his friends. "Walking across the Carrick-a-rede rope bridge was pretty scary," said Bieske. "Usually every summer I spend my time traveling and relaxing."



## dan knechtel, business

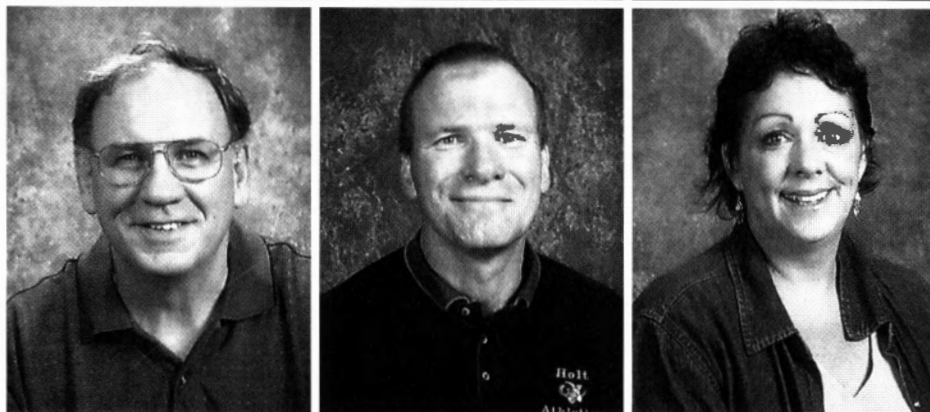
Spending a long, fun day at the zoo are Dan Knechtel and his children. "I love spending time with my kids especially going to Binder Park Zoo in Battle Creek," said Knechtel. Coaching basketball and football camps are how Knechtel spends most of June. July and the rest of his summer is spent with family and taking vacations.







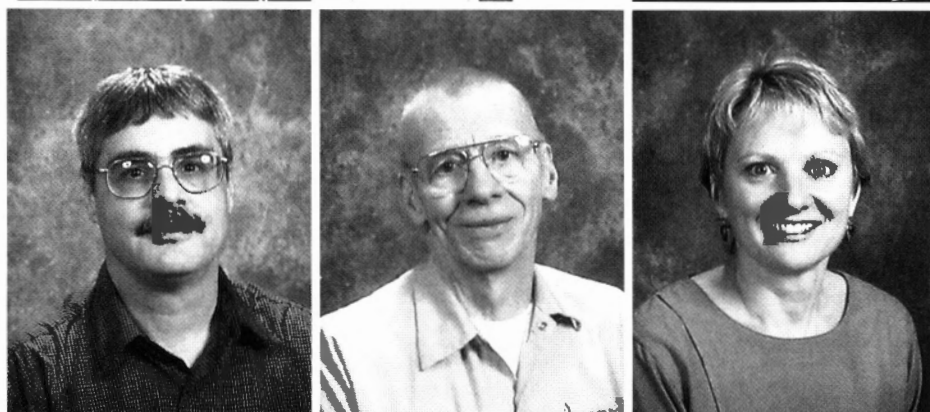
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Margo Strong



Ann Sutliff  
Clara Swihart  
Brian Templin



WORKING HIS  
QUADS is junior **Tyler  
Detmers**. Photo by Beth  
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# HOW TO avoid injury

## check yourself

If you're going to exercise,  
you've got to...

- ☐ Get a physical examination
- ☐ Make sure you're in proper condition
- ☐ Drink 8 oz. of water every 10-20 minutes
- ☐ Always warm up before exercising
- ☐ Stretch 4-5 times per day
- ☐ Have access to a Certified Athletic Trainer



**WITH SAFETY IN NUMBERS**, juniors **Dexter Baker** and **Andy Maserik** spot each other as they lift weights in the new weight room. Maserik makes sure that Baker doesn't get in over his head. Photo by Beth Keyes

## what to eat and what not to eat...

- ☐ Diets for athletes are purely individualized
- ☐ Most athletes eat three, four, or five times a day
- ☐ Sugar in bodies is like sugar in gas tanks, it kills them
- ☐ Water is the life line of the muscles
- ☐ Avoid all processed foods

**WITH SOME MEMBERS MISSING**, the school trainers pose for the Holt Community News. With **Steve Pingston** leading the girls in their training they all know what to do, when to do it and how to do it. The trainers include **Amber Barr**, **Erin Siebert**, **Stephanie Waypa**, **Danielle Kingsley**, **Michelle Adams** and **Michelle Bicego**. Photo by Holt Community News



They usually arrive before the athletes and leave after the athletes have gone.

STEVEN PINGSTON



## THE trainers



**"THERE IS A LOT TO LEARN** and sacrifice, but depending on the type of person you are, it can be fun. The best time is being with all the trainers during football two-a-days. We always have a blast," senior **Stephanie Waypa** said. Photo by Beth Keyes



**"I BECAME A SCHOOL TRAINER** to stay busy after school. Sort of something to do, but now it's the career I want to go into," junior **Erin Siebert** said. Photo by Beth Keyes



**"BEING A TRAINER IS NOT JUST ABOUT** the boys and the sports. It takes a lot of dedication on our part to be prepared for everything and anything," junior **Danielle Roberson** said. Photo by Beth Keyes





# TRAINERS TO THE **rescue**

by **katie dillon**

They're on the sidelines of every game, they take care of our beloved players, and yet no one really knows who they are and what they do. These are the athletic trainers at Holt Senior High.

There are eight trainers in all, including one freshman, four sophomores, two juniors and one senior. With responsibilities ranging from knowing how to stretch specific muscles, to being able to figure out what type of injury a player has, the trainers have been trusted with many important tasks.

Becoming a trainer simply entails approaching our Certified Athletic Trainer or ATC, Steve Pingston. All of the girls met Pingston through injuries they acquired, older siblings, or wanting to go into sports medicine after high school. After Pingston approves the people who apply, they shadow him for a few weeks until they get the hang of things for themselves. Once they feel comfortable on their own, they're on their own with Pingston there

for help if they need it.

Football, soccer, wrestling, hockey, basketball, and lacrosse are the sports that the trainers most frequently attend. With most injuries occurring in football, that is where they're most likely to notice the trainers.

"For those who think we only give out water, we don't; we do a lot more!" said sophomore Michelle Adams. The trainers are there at every game and every practice just in case something was to happen. They're trained to treat sprained ankles and cuts right on the spot and can even give an idea of what the injury is if it's not obvious.

"The best part of being a trainer is being right there on the sidelines with the team; you can't help but get into it," said junior Erin Siebert. Siebert became a trainer last year when she suffered an injury playing tennis.

So whether you know or appreciate any of the trainers, they're always on sidelines and they always will be.



**WE HAVE MANY RESPONSIBILITIES:** we have to make sure we get everything round and out for practices and games. We have to stock the medical kits and we even have our own 'horns in the training room," sophomore **Michelle Adams** said. Photo by Beth Keyes



**"YOU HAVE TO BE IN** the training room a lot and at the sports you do, you have to go to all the practices and games. It takes a lot of your time," sophomore **Amber Barr** said. Photo by Beth Keyes



**"WE SPEND A LOT OF TIME** here helping the athletes and we work really hard to make sure that there are as few injuries as possible," sophomore **Danielle Kingsley** said. Photo by Beth Keyes



**"THIS IS THE TYPE OF EXPERIENCE** that would be helpful to go into the medical field someday. We make sure the equipment is taken care of and that stretches are done the right way," sophomore **Michelle Bicego** said. Photo by Beth Keyes

**"**The work they do is unmatched, thankless, labor-involved and dirty. They do it for nothing except a *thank you*.  
**STEVEN PINGSTON**  
**"**





**GIVING EACH OTHER HIGH FIVES,** juniors **Sarah Smith** and **Erica Neuman** touch rackets after a great play. They are the first doubles team, and they came in second over all at Regionals. Their biggest wins were against Okemos, whom they beat twice. *Photo by Katie Dillon*

**PLACING FIRST AT REGIONALS** was all senior **Beth Mastin** had hoped for. When Mastin and her doubles partner freshman **Abby Rarrick** took on Brighton the week of Homecoming, they never expected to win. But win they did, and Holt received first place out of the six teams that participated in the Holt Invitational. *Photo by Katie Dillon*

## SERVING UP THE love

by raquel Ilinas and sarah moule

**AFTER A BIG WIN,** the women's JV tennis team gathers together at Texas Roadhouse. "I had a really good season this year; there wasn't much competition especially being a junior on a JV team. All the girls were really fun and crazy so that made the season even better," said junior **Audrey Kuhn**. *Photo by Katie Dillon*

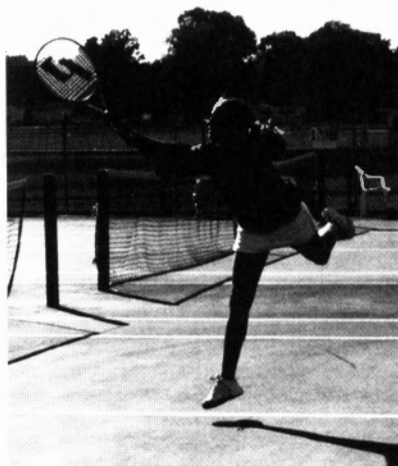


### SOPHOMORES LAURA

**MASTIN** and **Jenn Watkins** show their goofiness at Texas Roadhouse while celebrating their last win of the season. "The peanuts are just so good, even in my nose!" said **Laura Mastin**. *Photo by Katie Dillon*



**LEAPING TO SAVE THE BALL** is junior **Courtney Grafuis**. Grafuis is one half of the fourth doubles team with **Melissa Marecki**. Their low point of the season was losing their match at CAACs. *Photo by Katie Dillon*



## THE scores 10.1

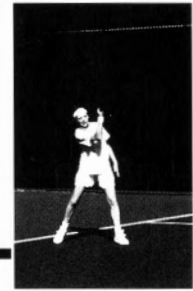
Lakewood	8-0 W
Waverly	7-1 W
St Johns	7-1 W
Haslett	7-0 W
LCC	7-1 W
Everett	8-0 W
Jackson	8-0 W
Okemos	5-3 W
Grand Ledge	7-1 W
Eastern	8-0 W
East Lansing	3-5 L

## THE season





**DEALING WITH THE WEATHER** was not easy for German exchange student **Svenja Adamek**. This was her first time playing on a high school tennis team. Adamek's low point was hurting her Achilles tendon and being unable to finish one of the team's tournaments.  
*Photo by Katie Dillon*



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## BACKHANDING THE competition

by katie dillon

Placing in the top ten at State was a perfect end to an almost perfect season. Tying for ninth place is the best Holt has ever done in womens tennis.

Mia Theroux, a junior who has been on varsity for two years, made it to the semifinals. Her finish made this season the first time Holt has ever made it to the second day of State. "They were the best fans there," Mia Theroux said about her teammates and their loyal fans who traveled all the way to Midland to see the last match of the year. Even though she lost in the semifinals, it was a great experience that Theroux hopes to repeat next year.

Senior Jennie Hill, four year varsity player, is the only girl in Holt tennis history to go to State four years in a row.

The team plans to be back at State next year with a younger but improved team. Future seniors look forward to leading their team to an undefeated season, which was almost accomplished this year.



**GULPING DOWN SOME WATER** during her break, senior **Jennie Hill** takes a breather and relaxes for a few moments. Hill is a four-year member of the womens varsity tennis team. Hill has made it to State every year, which is a first for a single player at Holt. *Photo by Katie Dillon*

Over all this year was great: we had a great time, did really well and only had one major disappointment.  
**BETH MASTIN**

## THE scores 9.1

Haslett	6-2 W
Waverly	8-0 W
Eastern	8-0 W
East Lansing	5-3 W
Grand Ledge	7-1 W
Jackson	7-1 W
Okemos	3-5 L
Everett	8-0 W
Sexton	8-0 W



**SOPHOMORE RYAN HARTSUFF** saves a goal just moments before he is injured. "I took a knee in the face. The doctors said that if it was a tenth of an inch higher that I would have needed surgery. Now I just have a big dent in the side of my face as a reminder." For the last two games of the season, sophomore **Paul Lounsberry** filled in for Hartsuff. Photo by Kacie Dittenber



**SHOWING OFF** his skill, junior **Chris Smith** makes a pass to teammate junior **Sergey Gukasov**. "This year we tied our record of 14 wins and came so close to beating it. Even though I hate to say it, we always have next year," Smith said. Photo by Anslee Stuber-Powell



# HIGH emotions

by kacie dittenber

**IN A MATCH AGAINST SEXTON**, sophomore **Adam Novak** runs toward the ball. "The best part of playing is when you know you have done a good job. Something that also helps is when you have good coaches who are great motivators, like **Scott Dane**," said Novak. Photo by Pam Novak



**WITH THE SCORE TIED 1-1** against Grand Ledge, the team comes into a huddle with high emotions to get some guidance from captain **Sergey Sarkisov**. The team later won the match with a score of 2-1. Photo by Kacie Dittenber



## THE captains



**"SERGEY [SARKISOV]** is a great guy to be on a team with. He doesn't think that he is better than everyone else, he treats us with respect, which is awesome," sophomore **Andrew Quebbeman** said.



**"MITCH [MCCAIGE]** is a great athlete and is a fun loving person. His captain abilities are definitely improving," sophomore **Christian Bull** said.

## THE scores 17.3.1

Dewitt	3-2 W	Eaton Rapids	2-0 W
St. Johns	6-0 W	Everett	6-0 W
Eastern	3-0 W	Haslett	6-0 W
Ionia	1-0 W	Eastern	4-1 W
Sexton	7-0 W	Battle Creek Central	10-0 W
Waverly	3-0 W	Grand Ledge	2-1 W
Jackson	2-1 W	Okemos	1-3 L
Dewitt	2-0 W	Grand Ledge	2-1 W
Mason	1-0 W	East Lansing	0-4 L
Charlotte	3-0 W	Jackson	1-1 T
East Lansing	1-3 L		



**BEST FRIENDS** both on and off the field are seniors **Brian McDonald, Brian Williams, Jason Thomas, Brian Crippen, and Scott Ryan.** "We had a lot of team unity and definitely helped each other out this year," Crippen said. The team has gone through many struggles in past years, but this year accomplished many of their goals. "Everybody gets along a lot more and we work a lot harder," captain **Chris Smith** said. *Courtesy Photo*



# TAKING CARE OF business

by anslee stuber-powell

Do you have what it takes? "Skill, commitment, and hard work both on and off the field" are necessary, according to Jason Thomas, one of the team's captains.

Thomas had played soccer for eleven years before he started high school and struggled to make JV. "I was fat and out of shape," he said. As a sophomore, Jason started on JV and was nominated captain for the team. "I feel I waited too long to take it serious and get good," he said.

Jason was elected Most Improved on the varsity team, but did not start until half way through the season. "I worked the hardest in the off season between my junior and senior year. During the winter I trained almost everyday at Soccer Zone with top area players," said Thomas.

Did all Jason's dedication pay off in the long run? Of course it did: Jason started and played every game of his senior career. He was the team captain, as well as being voted Honorable Mention All-City. "No one ever became good by being lazy. You have to train hard and play even harder," Thomas added.



**WHAT IS HE DOING?** This is the question most people ask when #7 **Scott Ryan** shows off his "signature move." Ryan is shown scoring a goal in the 6-1 win over Eastern. "The goalie was amazed by my moves," added Ryan. "We expected to win, but this game we wanted to have a blow out." *Courtesy photo*

## THE scores 14.7.2

Dewitt	0-0 T
St. Johns	4-0 W
Eastern	1-0 W
Ionia	10-0 W
Sexton	6-1 W
Waverly	4-1 W
Jackson	3-4 L
Dewitt	3-0 W
Mason	0-5 L
Jackson CW	2-0 W
Charlotte	2-5 L
East Lansing	0-4 L

Eaton Rapids	6-1 W
Everett	5-1 W
Haslett	6-1 W
Eastern	5-1 W
Battle Creek Central	11-1 W
Grand Ledge	2-1 W
Okemos	1-7 L
Grand Ledge	1-0 W
East Lansing	1-4 L
Jackson	0-0 T



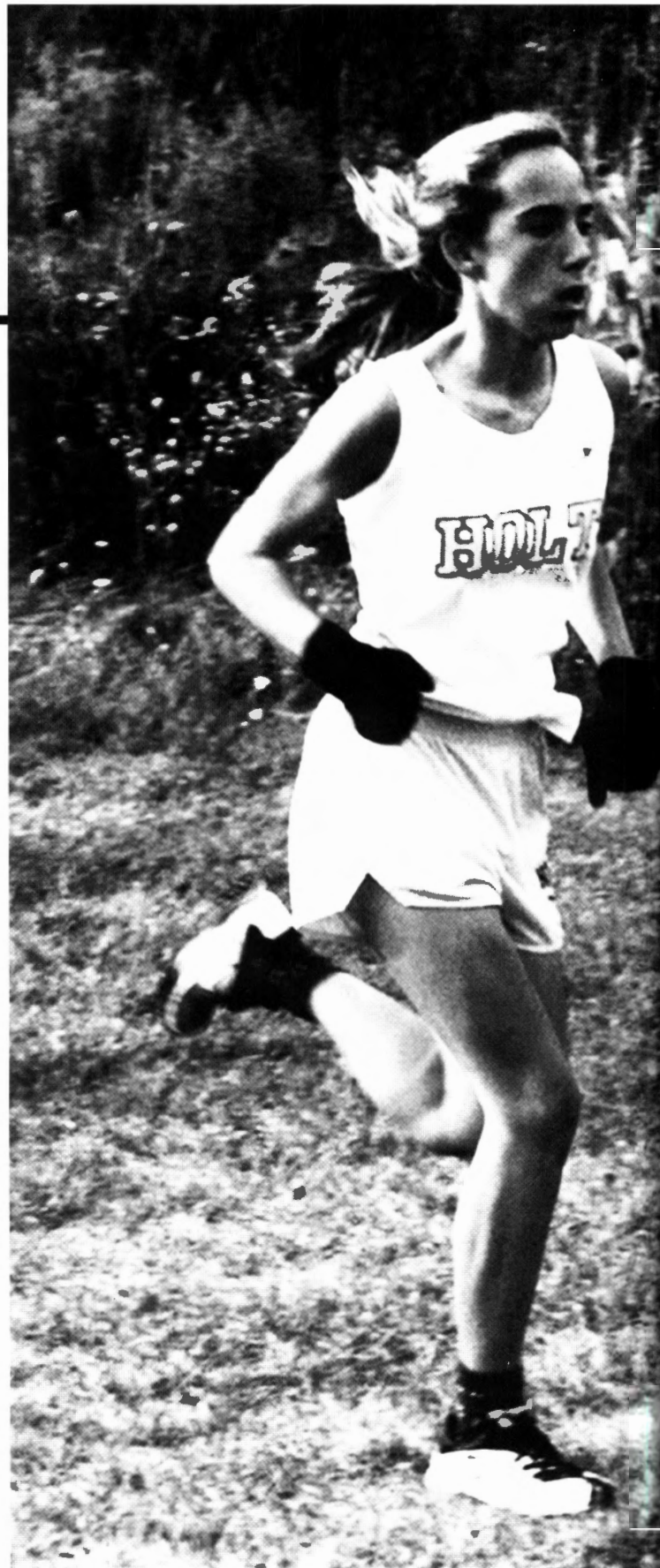
**STICKING TOGETHER,** juniors **Rachel Porter, Talitha Taylor, Rachel Fessenden, Liz Huber, and Kate Brewer** work together to win the race. Photo by Jessica Keener



**STARTING THE RACE WITH A SMILE** is junior **Liz Huber**. Liz has been running cross country for three years. Photo by Jessica Keener



**FIGHTING UNTIL THE END,** junior **Katie Flinton** struggles to make it to the finish line. The race is 3.1 miles long. Photo by Jessica Keener



## THE top 5

"Before each race we get together in a group and chant HRCC" [Holt Rams Cross Country] said sophomore **Missy Darling**.



"Being a top runner is rough, but you have to be there for the team, put yourself on the line every race," said junior **Tara Dell**.



"I try to encourage everyone on my team to do well and to keep everyone in focus" said junior **Rachel Fessenden**.

"You have to run in every other sport so why not just make running a sport?" said junior **Kate Brewer**.



# running DEEP

by jessica keener



**AHEAD OF THE COMPETITION,** junior **Rachel Porter** runs with all her might to keep Okemos behind her. *Photo by Jessica Keener*

**RUNNING ON A CHILLY AFTERNOON** is sophomore **Missy Darling**. "Keeping the number one position on the team is a challenge, but it's a thrill at the same time." The team has a list of the top five runners. *Photo by Jessica Keener*

"We pray for each other, eat for strength, train for endurance, and try our best to win; that's what runners do," said junior Katie Flinton.

The womens cross country team had many goals in their season: "We were really in need of new team uniforms, but we didn't have enough money to buy them, so we had a can drive during a tornado watch just to get our new uniforms," said junior Tara Dell.

Another goal was to reach the state finals, although the team didn't make it, two members did: junior Rachel Fessenden and sophomore Missy Darling.

Darling's key to success has been helpful for the whole team. "I prepare myself mentally, by knowing in my head what I have to and how I have to do it. Physically, I train all season, working hard at the beginning of the season and continuing to work hard all season," Darling said.

The season for the womens cross country team had several high points. The team finished second at the Greater Lansing Invitational. They also were third in the league invitational.

The team's number one strategy for winning is the placement of their top five runners: Fessenden, junior Rachel Porter, Darling, Dell, and junior Kate Brewer. "In order to win, our top five runners need to have better times than the opposing team's top five runners," said junior Talitha Taylor.

**JUNIOR RACHEL PORTER MAKES STRIDES** to finish the race for her team. Porter is a top five runner this season. *Photo by Jessica Keener*

## THE scores 7.0

Jackson N/W	1st	CAAC	21-38	W
Bath	5th	Waverly JV	21-38	W
B.C. Lakeview	4th	Regional	4th	
Jackson	21-41	State	64th	
Sexton	15-50		100th	
Everett	15-50			
Mason	2nd			
Haslett	3rd			
Okemos	27-28			
East Lansing	28-27			
GLI	13th			



**AND THEY'RE OFF!** Their minds racing as the runners approach the starting line. "It's like a stampede, you can feel the ground shake," said junior **David Appold**. Photo by Ashley Hunt



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## PAST THE PAIN

by ashley hunt

Laced up and ready to run, the mens cross country team made their way to the starting line. A shot rang out at the start of the race. Opponents were lost in a sea of brown and gold. The wind blew through their hair as their feet pounded the earth beneath them. Victory was within sight.

The season looked hopeful after a first place finish at the Jackson Northwestern Invitational. But soon the team's efforts fell short. Shin splints, sickness, and sprains started to affect their scores.

"Our season was plagued with injuries," said senior Chad Rogers, a top runner who suffered from a torn Achilles tendon. As Rogers explained, different shoes are required when running: "Regular shoes have no arch or heel support, they wouldn't last one mile in a three mile race. My shoes had too many miles on them and each time I took a step I hyper-extended my Achilles, so I taped it and stretched it and waited for it to heal by itself." He added, "I had to sit out three or four meets, and I missed half the season."

Senior Alex Cheney continued to run while suffering from shin splints. "I had to take it easy and not run real hard; I had to sit out during practice and I took Advil," Cheney said.

Senior Ben Watson, in his third year on the cross country team, fractured his ankle over summer during a "friendly game of football." He was required to wear a brace while running but ran without it after two weeks. "I wasn't able to do workouts when school started, so it affected my season."

"Kenny ran without his shirt on a lot," sophomore Andrew Sharrah said about junior Kenny Walker. As a result Walker was sick throughout the season. "He would always show up to practice with shorts and no shirt on," added senior Chris Dowling, who bruised his ribs when he ran into a fence.

Toward the end of the season, as injuries were healing up, the guys had to pull together as a team. "Running isn't fun but the camaraderie between the guys makes it fun," explained senior Alex Mishler. "We're all a pretty close pack, time-wise and friendship-wise," Rogers said, referring to the team's close scores at each meet. "We ran well together as a team and depended on each other," Dowling added. The friendship formed throughout the



season helped them to end it with a fourth place finish at CAACs and an eighth place finish at Regionals.

Although the runners had a lot of ups and downs, next year will give the new team a chance to improve themselves. "The top five runners are seniors, so underclassmen have to step it up next year," said senior Kyle Ghastin. As for this season, senior Nolan Jenkins summed it up: "We had a lot of potential, but we didn't reach our goals."



**OVER SUMMER VACATION** the mens cross country team prepared for the upcoming season. Senior **Chad Rogers** attended MSU's Cross Country Camp. "When we're not running, we're running," he said about the experience. The team also met at Riverbend Park to do light running and to strengthen their legs. Rogers and teammate **Alex Mishler** stretch before a race at Valhalla. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*

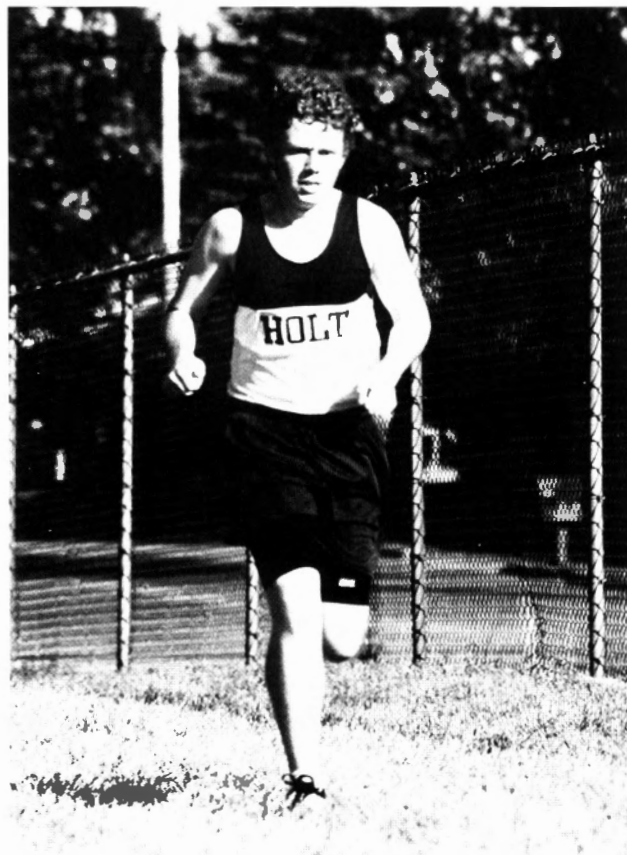
**CHANGING HIS SHOES** senior **Chris Dowling** prepares for the race ahead. Different shoes are required when running. These shoes are very lightweight and they have spikes that help give added traction. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*

It's mental. You have to think  
you can do it.  
**ANDREW SHARRAH**

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**CATCHING HIS BREATH**, senior **Nolan Jenkins** watches his teammates as they cross the finish line. Many athletes compete in cross country in order to prepare for other sports, including Jenkins, who wanted to improve for track. Senior **Kyle Ghastin** ran so he could get into shape for wrestling. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*



**GIVING HIS ALL** is senior **Ben Watson** at the meet against Sexton and Everett. Holt won the meet 15-50. Cross country is a sport in which the lowest score wins, did you know that? Of course not. "Nobody cares about cross country," according to Watson, who is in his third year on the team. "We need more fan support," added **Alex Mishler**. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*

**A SURGE OF STRENGTH** gives the runners enough energy to cross the finish line. "It's cool to see how everybody reacted with the pain and how they pushed themselves through it to succeed," said sophomore **Ben Wheaton**. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*

## THE scores 3.2

Jackson N.W. Inv.	1st
Bath Inv.	8th
B.C. Inv.	3rd
Jackson	26-31 W
Everett	15-50 W
Sexton	15-50 W
Mason Inv.	4th
Haslett Inv.	5th
Okemos	33-23 L
East Lansing	36-20 L
Portage Inv.	23rd
Gr. Lans.	11th
CAAC	4th
Regional	8th

## THE camaraderie



**HANGING OUT** on the course and off, seniors **Alan Fobbe**, **Ben Watson**, junior **Kenny Walker** and senior **Alex Cheney** have formed lasting friendships with the rest of the team. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*

## THE method FOR LACING UP

**loop, swoop, and pull** **13 of 14**  
**bunny ears** **1 of 14**  
**double knot** **8 of 14**

"Bunny ears are kind of sketchy," said **Chad Rogers**. "If you don't double knot, your shoes will fall off in the middle of the race," added **Alex Mishler**, who went barefoot after losing his shoes during a meet.



**DRIBBLING THE BALL DOWN** the court is senior captain **Dani Benington**. The JV and varsity team had their hopes set high. "We had a lot of fun, even though the season wasn't what we had hoped for," said junior center **Annie Childs**. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



# SHOOTING high

by dani dimmitt

A new court, a new team, new challenges. The womens varsity basketball team had to do a lot of hard work to achieve the high standards they had set for themselves with a new team. "We had to bring up our confidence before we could accomplish success. We knew we had the skills; we just had to trust in ourselves," said senior guard Whitney Arambula.

After graduating many key senior players last year and only having four seniors this year, they had to come together and work as a whole new team. They faced new challenges in the new league, as well. "We had to want to win, instead of needing to win and that helped bring us all together," said junior forward Annie Childs. The varsity team also included new freshmen who really helped in the success, including Casey Cryderman and Chloe Hamilton. "They were so good," said junior guard Natalie Monette, "I can't wait to see how good they are going to be."

The seniors this year are sad to see the season end, but are still happy that they got one last year to play. For many this year brought on new opportunities, such as Kalie and Jenna Hayes who got this year to play together. "It was so fun playing with my little sister Jenna. It made me play so much harder knowing that I've got the other one out there with me watching my back," said senior forward Kalie Hayes. The seniors also felt very lucky that they got the chance to play on the new courts. "Our courts were so amazing; it was really exciting to have one of the nicest courts in the league," said junior guard Julie Davis.



## VARSITY captains



**SENIOR DANI BENINGTON** said, "The best part of being a captain was being able to decide what to wear, so we would never have to dress up." Photo by Dani Dimmitt



**SENIOR KALIE HAYES** said, "The best part of being captain is that I got to yell at people a lot and they respect my authority." Photo by Dani Dimmitt

## VARSITY scores 8.13

Mason	37-38 L	Jackson	50-38 W
DeWitt	27-45 L	East Lansing	43-59 L
Eaton Rapids	46-64 L	Everett	38-83 L
Waverly	56-74 W	Grand Ledge	50-45 W
Grand Ledge	10-51 L	Sexton	42-52 L
Charlotte	49-44 W	Eastern	60-49 W
Sexton	40-54 L	Okemos	38-42 L
Eastern	56-42 W	Jackson	55-40 W
Okemos	42-41 W	East Lansing	48-53 L
Walled Lake	44-53 L	Everett	62-53 W
North		Okemos (Districts)	39-54 L



WITH AN EAGER LOOK ON THEIR FACES, sophomores **Stephanie Crapo** and **Nicole Stevens** watch teammate sophomore **Shelby Smtih** take a free throw. "This year was fun, we had our ups and downs like every team does, but we pulled through with a couple of wins anyway!" said Smith. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



PREPPING UP FOR A BIG GAME IS senior **Kalie Hayes**. "I definitely look up to the other captain **Dani Benington**, she's always bringing everyone's confidence level up and encouraging everyone to do their best," said Hayes. Photo by Dani Dimmitt



THE VARSITY TEAM GETS TOGETHER before their game against Sexton. "It wasn't one of our best games, but we were still having a lot of fun then and coming together as a team," said junior guard **Kristina Gladstone**. Both JV and varsity faced many teams during the season. Photo by Dani Dimmitt

## JV captains

ALI KELLY  
AUDREY DOWELL  
STACY STANLEY

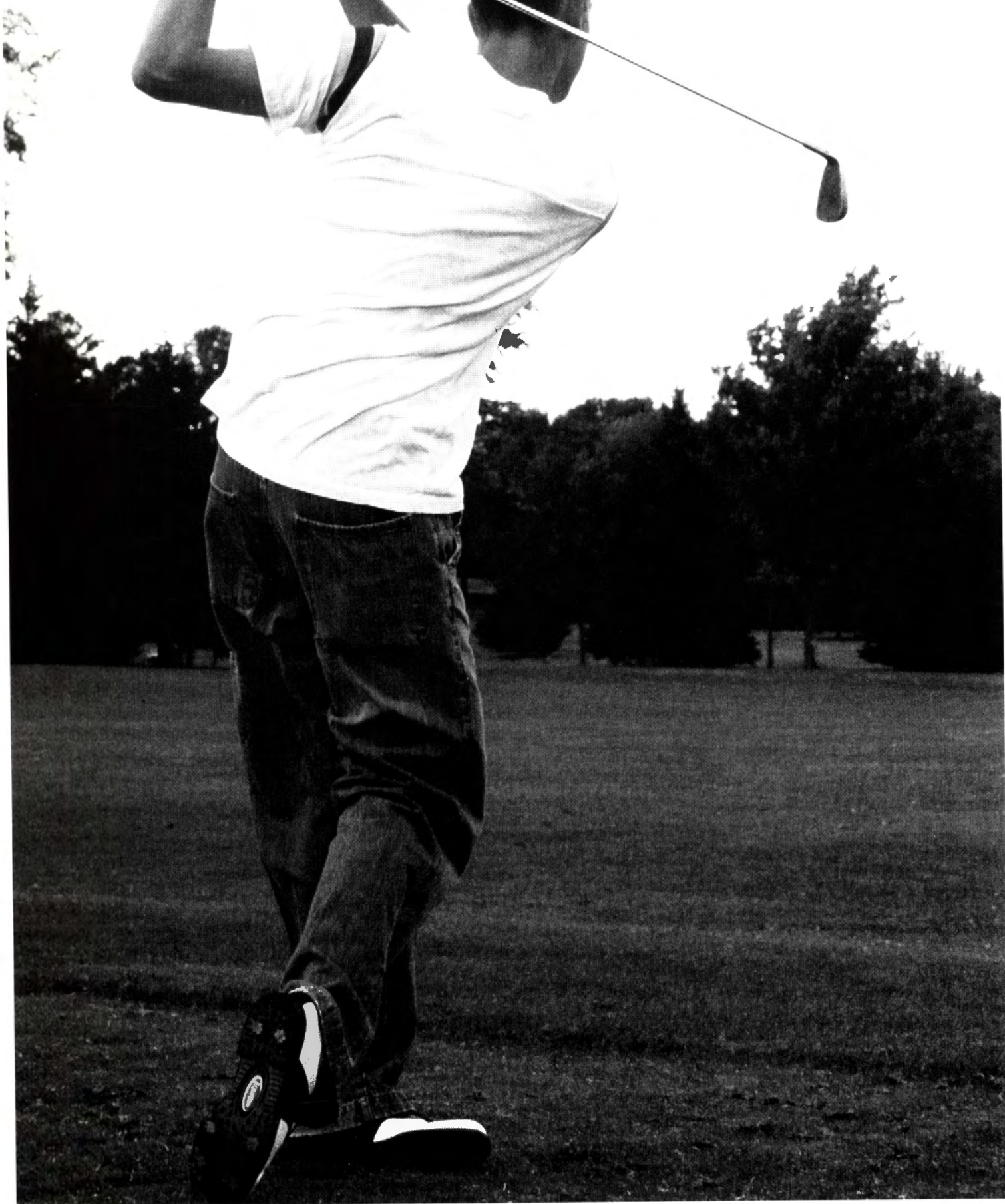
"It was cool how everyone came to us with questions and everyone counted on us to get pumped up for a game. Everyone always listened when one of us said anything and we became closer as a team," said Stanley.

## JV scores 8.12

Mason	32-26 W
St.Johns	29-41 L
Eaton Rapids	38-52 L
Waverly	28-34 L
Grand Ledge	18-38 L
Charlotte	36-47 L
Sexton	39-22 W
Eastern	57-21 W
Okemos	38-34 W
Walled Lake North	51-29 W

Jackson	39-30 W
East Lansing	35-30 W
Everett	22-44 L
Grand Ledge	36-52 L
Sexton	31-32 L
Eastern	43-28 W
Okemos	35-47 L
Jackson	30-34 L
East Lansing	40-49 L
Everett	33-47 L









# STRIVING FOR precision

by ben berry

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"Whoosh!" Senior Kenny Watson hits a perfect drive off the ninth tee. This kind of skill doesn't come naturally. Every day after school, in rain or shine, the golf team is out practicing. There is no downtime when it comes to golf because, though the season ends in late fall, the practicing never ends. "In the summer, I play golf at least five times a week," said sophomore Ryan Taylor.

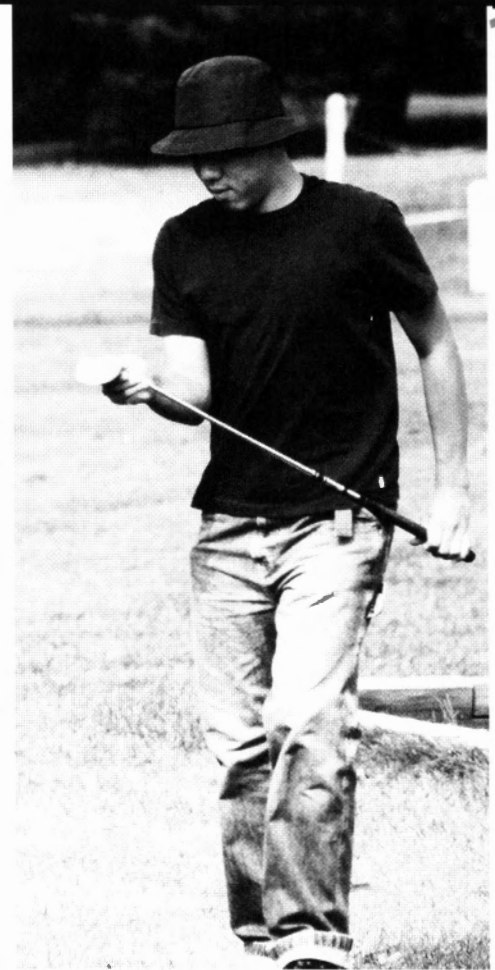
Junior Brandon Boatman agreed, "I play golf almost every day in the summer because if I don't practice, when I won't get any better."

Also, many golfers take lessons from golf pro Rick Courterior once a week in the summer to improve their skills. "The lessons really help a lot," said junior Kenny Cox, "Rick is a great teacher and I get better with every lesson."

At the beginning of the season, members of the golf team were worried that they wouldn't do well because they lost the seniors from last year. But everyone on the golf team worked extra hard and ended up doing pretty well. "I think we did better than expected this year because we lost some really good seniors, like Chris Richards and Corey Danford," said junior Brice Dawson.

Coach Bill Dowell keeps track of all of the player's average scores every time they play. Juniors and seniors have to remain in the top twelve in order to play in matches, so that motivates the players to practice hard and improve their play, requiring them to practice as much as they do.

Throughout the season, the golf team faced some troubles, including bad weather, loss of seniors and trying to stay high in the rankings. But they just kept on playing their best. The golf team ended up raking third in regionals, beating teams like East Lansing, Grand Ledge, and Everett.



**BRICE DAWSON** cleans the face of his Odyssey "White Hot" putter. A good putting game is essential to a low golf score. When you are golfing, you probably do not realize how much putting affects your score. If you only take two putts a hole instead of three, you can bring your score down from a 48 to a 39. *Photo by Ben Berry*

**KENNY COX** smashes a four iron off the tee. The ball lands and rolls to travel more than 200 yards straight down the fairway. An excellent shot. "I like hitting my irons off the tee sometimes because half the time it ends up better than my driver. Not as far but in the middle of the fairway," said Cox. *Photo by Ben Berry*

## THE scores

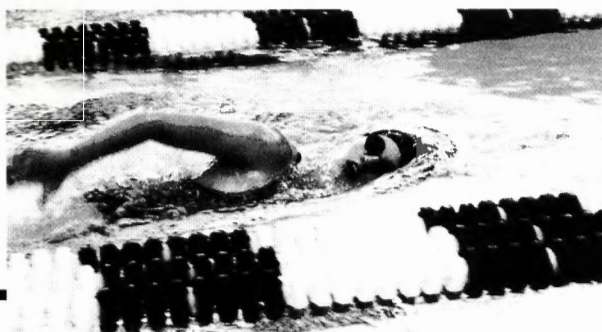
Okemos	309-309	T
East Lansing	296-295	L
Eastern	296-367	W
Okemos	333-316	L
Everett	333-375	W
Grand Ledge	153-153	W
Okemos	153-DNF	W
Eastern	155-170	W
East Lansing	155-157	W
Okemos	160-152	L
Everett	160-183	W
Grand Ledge	305-309	W
Okemos	305-DNF	W
Okemos	171-152	L



**ELDORADO** golf club is key to golf team success. They supply three separate courses for practicing different skills, range tokens for swing practice, and their pros are always willing to help fix a swing glitch. Holt shares the course with the Mason golf team which makes the matches against Mason and Holt very competitive because both teams are playing at their home course. *Photo by Ben Berry*



**TAKING A BREATH OF FRESH AIR**, senior **Maureen Hanrahan** finishes her last length of the 50 yard freestyle. "I will miss the excruciating pain of swimming and miss seeing my friends everyday," said Hanrahan. Photo by Katie Lash



**RELAXING BEFORE A RELAY**, **Kelly Robinson** and **Carly Wesaw** joke around by signing and dancing. "Just keep on truckin!" said Robinson, when giving advice to another swimmer. Photo by Katie Lash



## MAKING NEW Waves by katie lash



**LEADING THE HOLT RAM CHEER**, seniors **Amanda Kegler** and **Kelly Robinson** shout to the rest of the team across the pool. Photo by Katie Lash

The girls would need to put in a lot of extra work if they wanted to beat the ninth ranked team in the state, Okemos, who was now in their new conference. "I thought it would be really tough to beat Okemos when I first heard they were going to be in our conference, but I thought we could beat them," said senior Amanda Kegler.

The team ended up second in the CAAC championships next to Okemos, but they beat all the former CAC teams.

Winning isn't everything though. During the season, the swimming and diving team spent lots of time together. Fundraisers, sleep overs, and going out to dinner after meets are just some of the reasons this team stays so close.

Before school even started in the fall, the womens swimming and diving team had been hard at work all spring and summer.

"Most of our team swims year round, and that's what pays off in the end," said sophomore Lindsay Howley.

So when their season arrived, these girls meant business. "Our team has won the past eleven CAAC championships. That's a lot to live up to," said junior Rachel Abbott.



**CONCENTRATING** for her big dive, senior **Erica Pfeiffer** performs her back and one half pike. This was Pfeiffer's last year of diving in high school, but she plans to dive in college. She placed first in CAACs and seventeenth in the State meet. "Diving is really a mental sport," says Pfeiffer, "It takes concentration and finesse." Photo by Katie Lash



**TAKING A BREAK** from warm up, the team does the water cheer after diving. "Each of us gets a lot of support," said **Kris Wheaton**, "whether we do well or we don't." Photo by Katie Lash

## THE seniors



**ALTHOUGH ONLY FOUR SENIORS ARE CAPTAINS**, the whole senior class of swimmers plays a key role in influencing the underclassmen. "We had a pretty young team this year," said **Kelly Robinson**, "but we made the best of what we had and we did pretty well!" From left: **Kris Wheaton**, **Erica Pfeiffer**, **Amanda Kegler**, **Kelly Robinson**, **Carly Wesaw**, **Maureen Hanrahan**, **Kasey Miller**, **Krista Korbiak**. Photo by Katie Lash





big meet against Okemos. Templin placed fifth in the CAAC championships. "This season was filled with memorable experiences that I will never forget," said Templin. Photo by Katie Lash



**CHEERING FOR EACH SWIMMER** is top priority at the pool. The whole team rallies behind the lane to cheer on their teammate. "Twenty years from now I doubt I will remember my best time for the fifty free, but I know I will remember the awesome memories I have from swimming," said **Maureen Hanrahan**. Photo by Katie Lash

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**BRAVING HEIGHTS** of over twenty feet, **Carly Wesaw** walks the tight rope. The swimming and diving team takes a team trip every year. This year they went to Ferris State University. The team tubed down a river and went to a challenging ropes course, along with regular practice. Courtesy Photo



**PREPARING TO TAKE OFF**, senior **Kris Wheaton** waits for **Maureen Hanrahan** to come in for the finish in the 200 free relay. Sophomores **Tiffany Ziolkowski** and **Cassandra Meier** put their goggles on and also get ready to go third and fourth in the relay. Photo by Katie Lash

I've been swimming for thirteen years. It's my sport. It's what I do.  
**CARLY WESAW**

## THE scores 6.3.1

St. Johns	93-93	T	East Lansing	95-91	W
Okemos	62-124	L	Everett	144-37	W
A.A. Huron	63-123	L	Eastern	121-62	W
Sexton	133-53	W	A.A. Pioneer	44-142	L
Jackson	93-77	W	Grand Ledge	127-59	W



**CRADLING THE BALL,** junior wide receiver **Tyler Schrauben** runs it down the field.  
*Photo by Nathan Parsons*



**SENIOR WIDE RECEIVER** **Kenny Fellows** is a blur as he rushes to gain yardage. "The season was a little disappointing, but it turned out okay," said Fellows. The offensive line stepped it up a notch as they ventured through the tough season.  
*Photo by Beth Keyes*



## OVERCOMING obstacles

by sarah moule and raquel llinas

You've all heard the story of Winnie the Pooh and Friends. This season the football team came bounding onto the field with high hopes and energy much like Tigger, the bouncy, energetic tiger.

After losing key players, quarterback Mikhail Eisler and running back Ryan Doss, both juniors, you'd expect the team to go from up beat to dejected. "I told the boys I wouldn't tolerate any Eeyore attitudes," said Coach Mike Smith.

Losing 14-7 to Everett was one of the lowest points of the season. "We knew that we could beat Everett, but we were over confident. We didn't expect the team to come out on fire," junior Andy Clark said about the loss.

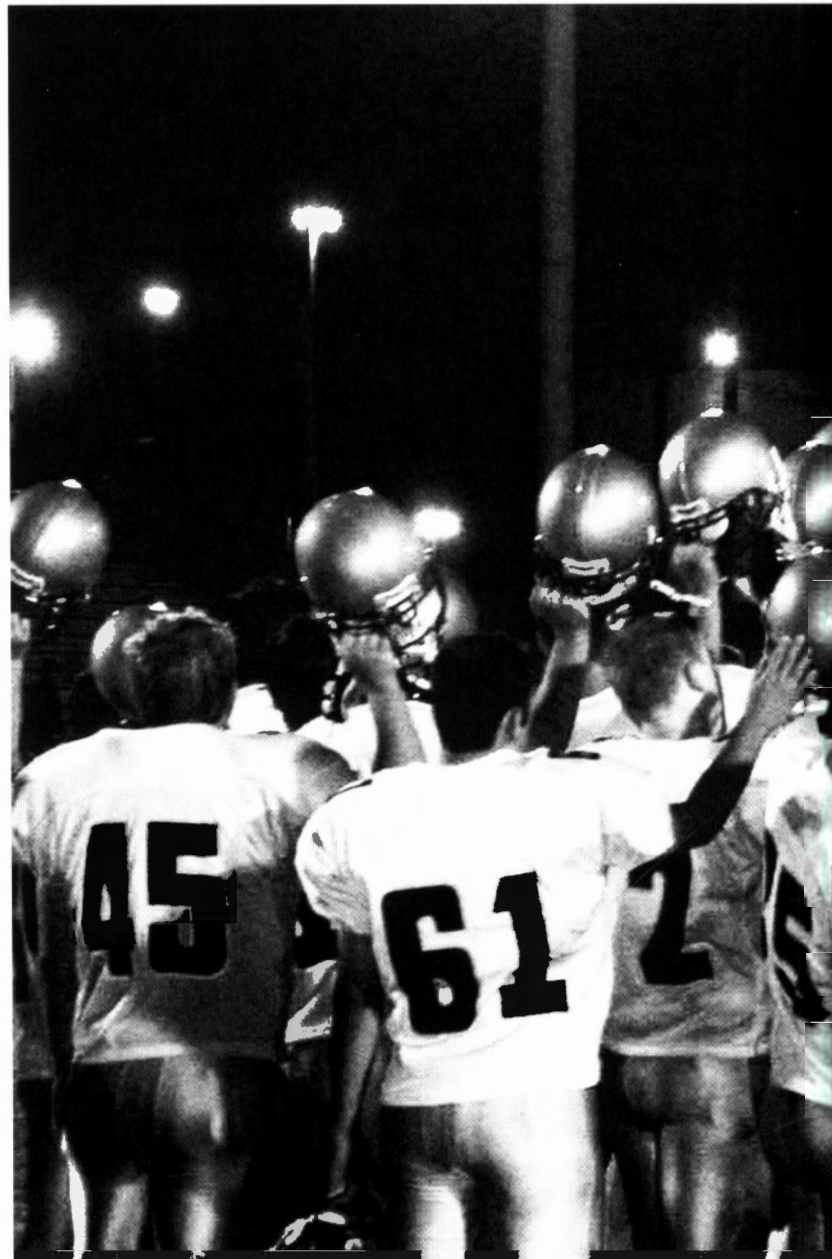
Jackson was what turned the season around. "It was like something out of the movies. In order to make it to playoffs we had to win four straight games," senior Nick Kyriakopoulos said.

The Rams were victorious in three of the four games, but a chance in the playoffs ended with a 27-7 loss against Grand Ledge.



**TAKING A BREAK,** junior quarterback **Mikhail Eisler** views the field as the defensive line battles it out. After an explosive start against Charlotte, Eisler's dynamite play came to an end with an injury at the Detroit Depoires game. "It was hard to watch from the sidelines," Eisler said about the disappointment.  
*Photo by Nathan Parsons*

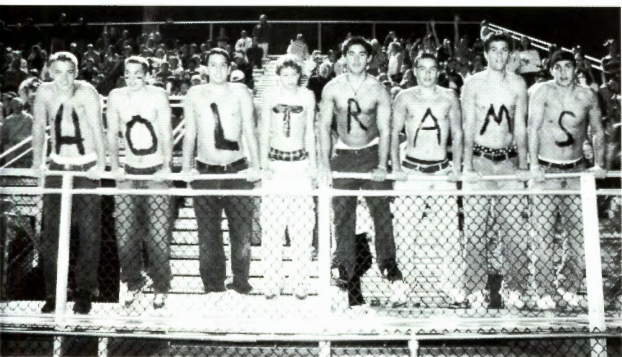
**TEAM UNITY** was what held the Rams together this season. "We have been playing together for as long as I can remember. Not playing with them anymore will be like losing a family member," said **Nick Kyriakopoulos**. Instead of letting obstacles tackle their season, they decided to step up and take things into their own hands.  
*Photo by Nathan Parsons*



## THE scores 5.4

Charlotte	23-14	W
St. Martin Depoires	14-31	L
Eastern	10-0	W
Everett	7-14	L
East Lansing	6-21	L
Sexton	17-6	W
Okemos	19-7	W
Jackson	25-18	W
Grand Ledge	7-27	L

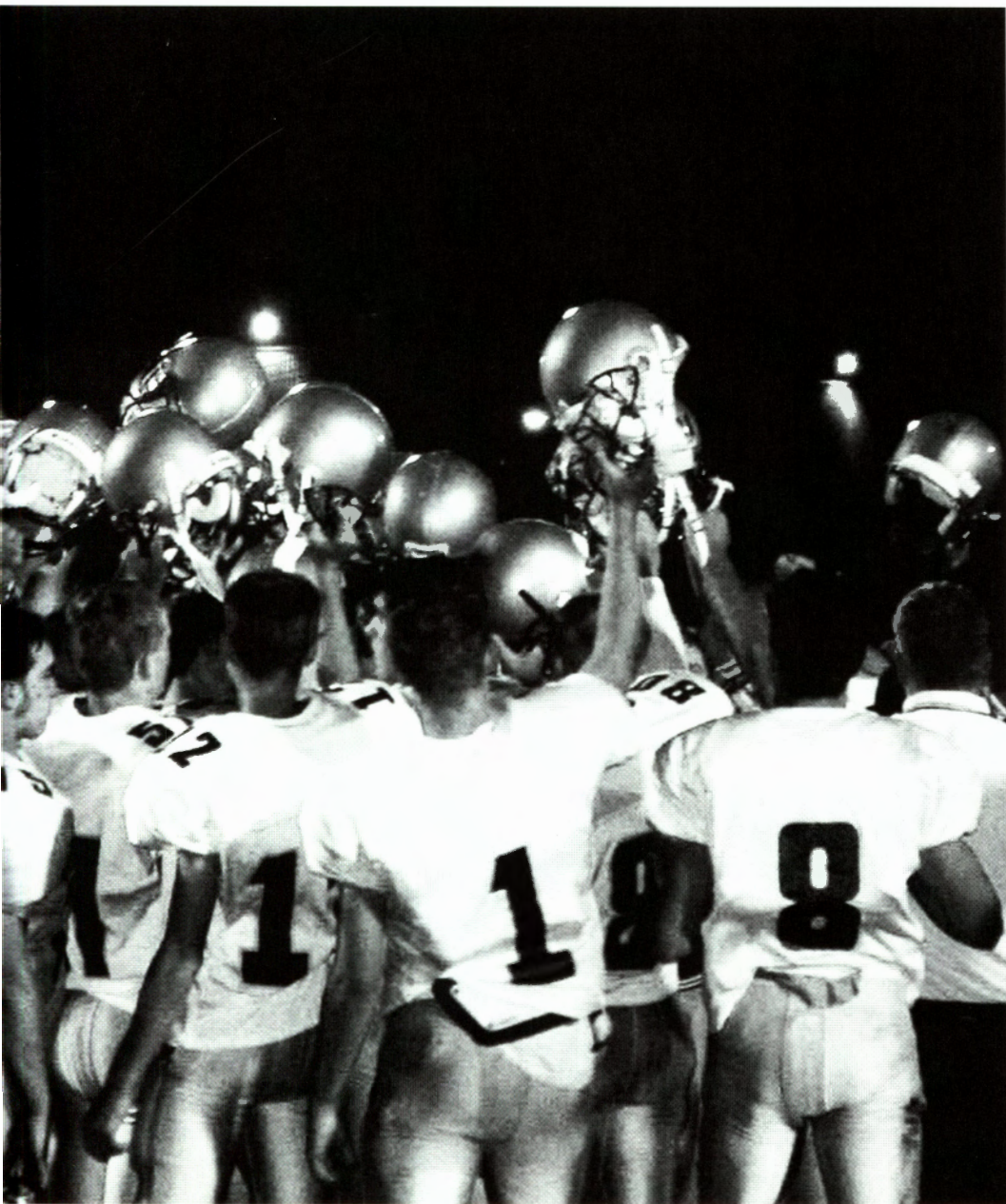




**CONTINUING THE TRADITION**, Ram fans paint their chests and bear the cold at one of the football games. "At the Light Show, Endsley and I took our shirts off. I was so cold it was painful," **Josh Major** said about showing his school spirit. This season it was important for the fans to stand by the team.

Photo by John Zdankiewicz

**SCRAMBLING AROUND** in the backfield looking for an open receiver downfield is quarterback #12 **Corey Burt**. Burt got his first start at quarterback after **John Lierman** was injured in the previous game. "I was a little stressed but after a while I got into it," he said. Photo by Beth Keyes

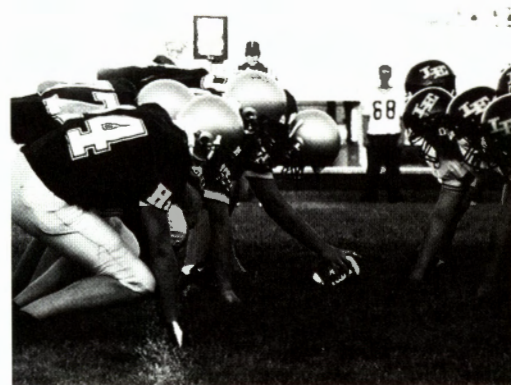


## HAVIN' SOME pride

by jeremy overton



**"HAVE SOME PRIDE GENTLEMEN,"** are familiar words spoken by coach **Dan Knechtel** between quarters. Knechtel has been coaching the JV team for four years after playing wide receiver himself at Holt High. Photo by Beth Keyes



**THE JV OFFENSIVE LINE** matches up against Eastern's defensive line as they await the upcoming snap. "We were really close and we worked well together. We did anything to help Phinney," said right guard **Reggie Hartig**. Photo by Beth Keyes

## THE scores 5.4

Charlotte	16-14	W
Jackson Lumin Christy	13-30	L
Eastern	32-0	W
Everett	40-23	W
East Lansing	19-22	L
Sexton	20-14	W
Okemos	28-14	W
Jackson	13-14	L
Grand Ledge	8-42	L





**DURING HALFTIME AT THE GRAND LEDGE** football game, senior **Becca Robins** does a backflip. Robins and the rest of the cheer team were great at getting the crowd pumped up to cheer on the football team. Photo by Craig Steward

# GOING strong

by jenafer craft- quenby and jessica craft- quenby



## ROOTY CAN DO THE CHEERS, TOO.

Cheerleader **Keegan Long** and her teammates lift Rooty the Ram up to show him to the crowd. They didn't do this every game but said it was fun to do because the crowd liked it. "Rooty helped make football games fun," said senior **Mandy Wall**. Photo by Nathan Parsons

The football team scores a touchdown. The crowd screams. Emotions are running high. The cheerleaders are now pumped up and ready to go for half time. Before the game they drank their Red Bull energy drinks and did all their push-ups and other exercises with Rooty the Ram to get ready.

This is the routine for every game. They work hard during the day with practice and warm-ups. Then the game starts. With each touchdown, the team does the pushups for the crowd and they get more excited to cheer on the team and the crowd.

This season was a success for the cheerleaders. "It could have gone better, but we did really well with having so many new members versus how many we lost," said senior Becca Robins. The team went to CAACs and placed second out of all the teams.

Most of the members will return for next year and many are excited and hopeful to succeed in another season.



## THE seniors

### SENIORS POSE FOR THEIR LAST

**CAMP PICTURE.** "This year, camp was very different. We went to a different place and we lost a coach. We had a lot of ups and downs, but I think everyone really had fun," said senior **Brooke Tice**. Courtesy Photo







"IT'S A BLAST TO BE AROUND the JV and freshmen teams. They get so excited to be in the Homecoming parade and they pump up the varsity team to cheer harder and louder, both during the parade and at the game that night," said senior **Mandy Wall**.  
Photo by John Zdankiewicz



**PUMPING UP THE CROWD AFTER HOLT SCORES A TOUCHDOWN** are seniors **Heather Ott** and **Rachel Dowell**, along with the rest of the squad. The team did push-ups every time the team scored a touchdown. They would do as many as there were points on the scoreboard, so the more touchdowns the team made, the more exercise the cheerleaders had to do.  
Photo by Craig Steward

## THE mascot

**DURING A HOLT RAMS** football game, junior **Steffi Marshall** fights with Rooty the Ram over who has more spirit. Rooty was played by senior **Adam Burmeister**. "I like to play tricks on the cheerleaders, like tapping them on the shoulder and dropping to the ground," Burmeister said. Photo by Craig Steward



Rooty makes me so mad sometimes, so I just let loose. I couldn't take him anymore.

I let him have it!  
**STEFFI MARSHALL**



**DURING THE EASTERN GAME,** senior **Adam Jenson** and juniors **Jake Troph** and **John Roche** sit on the bench while concentrating on winning the game. Photo by Nathan Parsons.



# ENTHUSIASUM abounds

by raquel llinas



**AFTER A FOUL SHOT,** senior **Kyle Waters** battles for the rebound against Eastern. Holt ended up gaining a victory over Eastern. The final score was 66-58. Photo by Nathan Parsons.

The season started off a little rough, but the team stuck together and showed off their confidence.

"I feel that we've had a pretty good season, we've suprised many people" said junior co-captain Andy Clark, who was named an All-CAAC player.

The win against Grand Ledge (43-42) was a high point to the players, and having the students rush out on the court made the team feel good and more confident; it got them pumped and ready to move on.

"When we walk into the opposing team's gym, they know it's going to be a long night, same as to when they come in our house, we protect our house with everything," said co-captain Kyle Waters.

"The season is going very well: our record this year is a lot better then our record last year, I get along with my teammates, and we work together" said junior John Roche.

**JUNIORITY MOTLEY WON** a predictable point against East Lansing. He was the team's leading free throw shooter. The final score of the game was 67-60. Photo by Nathan Parsons

## THE scores 14.10

St. Johns	42-82 L	Sexton	45-73 L
Mason	57-35 W	Eastern	69-57 W
Waverly	55-52 W	Okemos	37-58 L
Grand Ledge	48-47 W	Dewitt	42-39 W
Sexton	48-50 L	Jackson	70-57 W
Eastern	66-58 W	East Lansing	67-60 W
LCC	39-25 W	Eaton Rapids	48-44 W
Okemos	57-65 L	Everett	37-58 L
Jackson	69-72 L	Howell	57-55 W
East Lansing	64-55 W	Okemos	59-52 W
Everett	41-61 L	Mason	50-48 W
Grand Ledge	47-70 L	Everett	54-63 L



## THE captains



**"THINGS HAVE BEEN UP AND DOWN,** But we have always been a real tight team. We have stuck together and had a whole lot of fun," said senior **Kenny Fellows**.



**"THIS YEAR IS DIFFERENT FROM** others. We are a team, we have acquired a team swag-ger," said senior **Kyle Waters**.



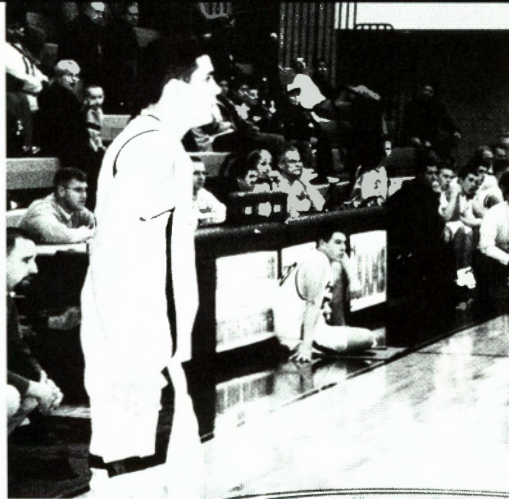
**"WE PLAY VERY WELL AS A TEAM** and we are not the type of team where we play "my turn basketball." We are like a big family," said junior **Andy Clark**.

## THE season





**WAITING FOR AN INBOUND PASS** is sophomore guard **Zach Brendahl**. "This season was a disappointing; we could have done much better. We always played hard. We were a hard working team, but our competition worked harder," Brendahl said. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*



**HUDDLING UP** before the game is the JV basketball team. "The boys have really grown together as a team this season. They have fun while they are playing, which is important. It was fun to go to all the games because of the new high school, there is always enough room to find a good seat to watch the game," sophomore fan **Amy Osborn** said. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*



**ANTICIPATING THE REBOUND** are sophomores **Jake Moreno** and **Duran Roberson**, with seven minutes, sixteen seconds left in the first half. Holt was up by five and ended up winning the game 52-38. "We are like brothers of a family. We pulled together to win the game and be victorious," said Roberson. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*

**||** We have proven that on any given day we can compete with the best, aside from wins and losses we have always been a real tight team. **||**  
**KENNY FELLOWS**

## THE scores 8.12

St. Johns	65-39 W	Everett	42-60 L
Mason	47-41 W	Grand Ledge	35-45 L
Waverly	49-36 W	Sexton	38-40 L
Grand Ledge	42-43 L	Eastern	46-49 L
Sexton	24-47 L	Okemos	56-50 W
Eastern	41-53 L	Dewitt	33-43 L
LCC	34-47 L	Jackson	61-66 L
Okemos	40-46 L	East Lansing	59-32 W
Jackson	47-43 W	Eaton Rapids	45-38 W
East Lansing	47-37 W	Everett	46-48 L



**MOVING TO THE MUSIC,** the dance team performs in front of the entire Holt High School student body at the Homecoming pep rally. The cold weather didn't dampen the mood as they warmed things up. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



WE LOVE THE WAY

# they move...



## SPINNING WITH RELATIVE EASE, junior Kaitlyn Sherer

performs even with her hair in her face. This performance was done in front of the home crowd at a boys varsity home basketball game.

Photo by Nathan Parsons

by nathan parsons

Prep-chasse-step-leap-chasse-chasse-axel.

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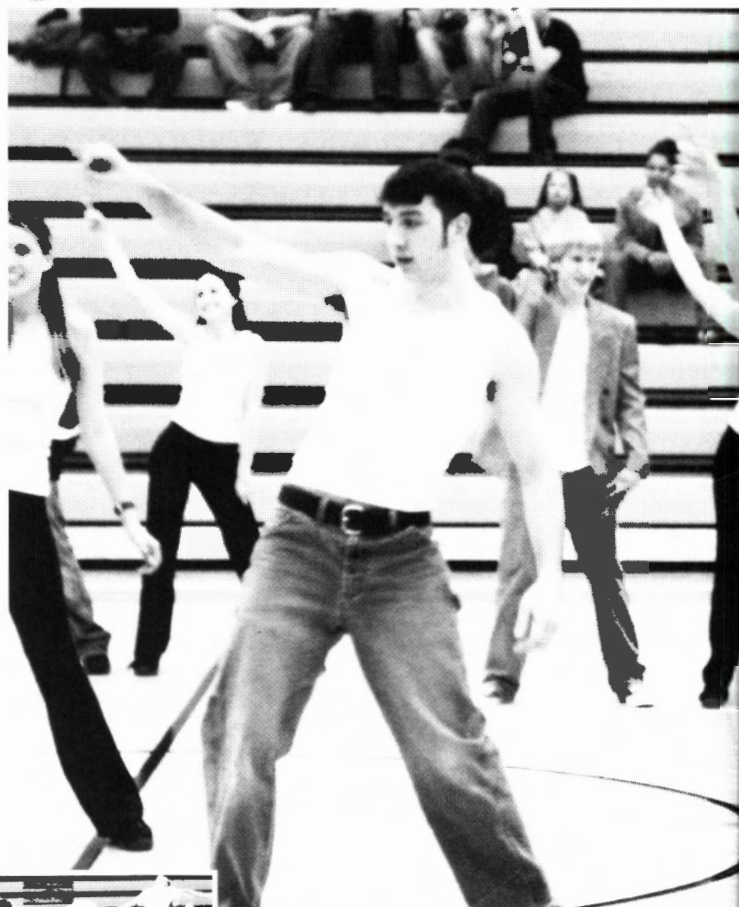
That was just the beginning of a routine by the dance team. Since the summer of 2003, the dance team has been perfecting their performances to win competitions and entertain spectators during the mens home basketball game halftime.

"Getting ready for competitions was frustrating and annoying," said sophomore Anna Keeler, "Everything had to be so perfect."

But the practice paid off: captain Kristin Spencer said, "We really matured after the first competition. The new girls realized what the dance team is all about. We really clicked after that."

The dance team performed at three competitions this past season, the Mid-American Competition at Eastern Michigan University, the Palace Invitational at the Palace of Auburn Hills, and the Sparta Competition at Sparta High School.

With these competitions, the dance team showed their talent by finishing respectfully in each. With so much effort put forth to get the job done, the team achieved success in competitions and in friendship.



## THE scores

Mid-American Competition  
Palace of Auburn Hills  
Sparta Competition

4th place  
12th place  
3rd place

## THE practice



**DURING THE GUY-GIRL DANCE**, seniors **Nick Kyriakopoulos** and **Danielle Abood** follow the rhythm of the music. The dance routine is a favorite of many students and parents alike. Photo by Nathan Parsons



**PRACTICE MAKES PERFECT!** Every Wednesday morning, you could find the dance team practicing their routines for the Friday home game performances. When this routine was presented on senior night, it was flawless. Photo by Nathan Parsons



**HAIR SWINGING AND SMILES SHINING** are sophomores **Jacqueline Rendon** and **Dana Wright**. Rendon and Wright have been members of the Pom squad since it started, their Freshman year. The girls have stuck with it and always have fun. Photo by Heather Ungerman

**PERFORMING A ROUTINE** at a JV basketball halftime show are sophomores **Jacqueline Rendon** and **Dana Wright**. "Everyone worked really hard this season and everyone did awesome. Overall we were a big family," said sophomore Rendon. Photo by Heather Ungerman



**A COLD NIGHT IN NOVEMBER** is not the time to lie on the ground wearing a skirt, but the Pom squad does it with a smile. "The grass was so wet during football season. It was hard to do turns and not fall. It was really gross but we liked it," sophomore **Jacqueline Rendon** said. Sophomore **Amber Heyman** also added, "There was one routine where we sat on the ground and got up and were like 'Oh crap!' but we did it anyway." Photo by Heather Ungerman

## shake it LIKE A POLAROID PICTURE

by heather ungerman

When coach Tammy Bozzo looked out at the sea of faces for football seasons tryouts she was very pleased and knew the pom squad was starting to get recognition. "Starting out the season was a lot of fun. We had the best turn out for tryouts than we have ever had. It was really exciting," said sophomore Jacqueline Rendon.

During basketball season, the coaches arranged for the Michigan State dance team to come teach a routine. All the girls were very happy but knew they would have to work hard to get the routine right. "Preparing to perform the dance the MSU dance team taught us was very hard and stressful, but we all worked hard on it and pulled it off. After leaving the floor, with Missy Elliot still playing in the background, you could tell the whole team was happy," sophomore Amber Heyman said. "I was very happy and proud of myself that I didn't mess up," sophomore Dana Wright added.

How has the squad changed since it started for football season of 2002? Dana Wright has been on the team since then: "Poms has hardly changed since the 2002 football season. I think it is a little bit more organized though. I just love dancing and I love the coaches."

Trying to stay on task and practice the dance over and over is so hard because we all like to talk and mess around.  
KRISTIN SPENCER

No matter what, we performed at the games because that's what we were on poms to do.  
AMBER HEYMAN



#### CELEBRATING AFTER THEIR WIN

at the CAAC meet, the mens swimming and diving team jumped into the pool. Every year the coaches and supporting girls swimming and diving team jump in with their clothes on. Although they won the CAAC meet Jackson went home with the trophy for winning the most meets during the season. Photo by Kacie Dittenber



## BREAKING THE surface

by kacie dittenber and katie lash



**SEARCHING FOR HIS TIME** on the score board after competing in a race is senior **Chris Meier**. Meier swam great in the 50 Free and 200 Fly. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

"The worst place to shave would have to either be around the ankles or on your stomach. It's really easy to cut yourself and if you do it bleeds so bad," said sophomore Adam Lucas.

This doesn't exactly sound like something every teenage boy would do for no particular reason. But the swimmers do it once every year: the day before CAACs.

But that doesn't mean that they don't get to have enjoy the hair they have for a while. The week of CAACs they dye their hair an assorted rainbow of colors and odd hair cuts like mullets.

"It was hard to take them seriously at at first because their hair looked like clown wigs. But it seemed to be a fun thing the team could do together," said science teacher Lori Buwalda.

Fortunately for the divers, they don't have to shave at all. This year there were only two returning divers: sophomores Drew Webber and Gavin Mishler, and one new diver: senior Chris Sweeney. When the season began, things didn't look good.

"It was rough we weren't expected to do as good because we were missing some key divers that had graduated the year before. But in the end we kicked it up," said Mishler.



**ENJOYING THE FEELING** of having made it into the state cut for the 200 free relay are seniors **David Wheeler** and **Bryan Johnson**, junior **Brad Voss**, and sophomore **Kirk Gibbs**. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

**EXHAUSTED BUT THRILLED**, senior **William Rodgers-Snoddgrass** steps up to the starting block to be recognized for getting first place in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:02.99. Rodgers also came first in the 100 butterfly with a time of 54.9. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

## THE divers

**WAITING THEIR TURN** to dive are sophomores **Drew Webber** and **Gavin Mishler** and senior **Chris Sweeney**. At meets the divers get the chance to show their stuff either after the swimmers or in the middle of the races. Taking home first place for diving was **Mishler**. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

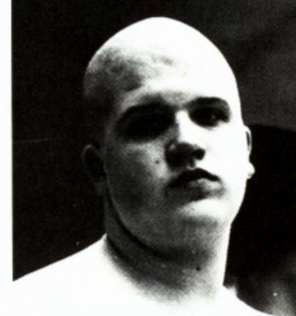


**WARMING UP** at practice is senior **Chris Sweeney**. Unlike the swimmers, the diving team doesn't have morning practices; but that doesn't mean that they don't work hard. The diving team always manages to do well at meets. Photo by Kacie Dittenber



# THE before & after

**WHAT A DIFFERENCE:**  
Before CAACs sophomore **Adam Lucas** had a full head of hair, which he later dyed half blue and half orange before shaving it off.  
*Photo by Kacie Dittenber*



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**THE TEAM CHEERS** for a fellow teammate. Almost always at every meet you can find the women's team lending some extra support.  
*Photo by Kacie Dittenber*



**RESTING BETWEEN SETS** is senior **Bryan Johnson** at swim practice. "Bryan is a great captain exemplifying his leadership both in and out of the pool. He did exactly what he needed to do at CAACs. He is an amazing athlete and; all of the guys are," said coach **Becky McKernan**.  
*Photo by Kacie Dittenber*

## THE scores 5.4.1

Marshall	88-98
Mason	104-81
Sexton	139-39
Jackson	91-79
East Lansing	84-102
Everett	110-76
Grand Ledge	101-85
St. Johns	70-116
Eastern	100-83
Okemos	93-93
Waverly Relays	7th of 12
East G.R. Invite	8th of 8
Dewitt Invite	4th of 8



Hard work beats talent  
any day.

COACH RON POLHONSKI





**NERVOUSLY WAITING** for her name to be called to compete on floor, the last event of the night is sophomore **Sami Byer**. Byer was selected for All-CAACs for Bars. Photo by Eve Ayala



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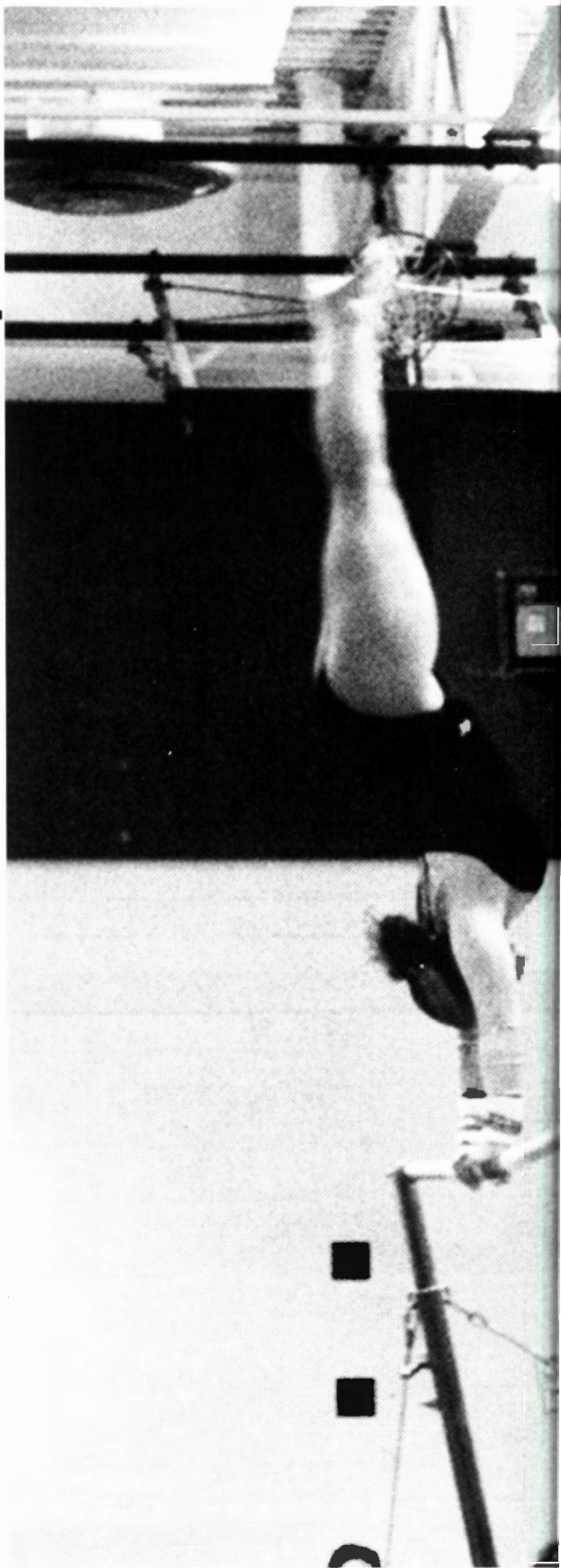


**HOLDING IT STEADY** is junior **Katie Knop**. While competing at home against Jackson Lumen Christian Knop helps out the team to make it a win by eleven points. Photo by Eve Ayala

by eve ayala

While other things with the new school were new, so was the season for gymnastics this year. Although they didn't get to have everything in the high school, they did get a new location. In the past years they practiced upstairs in the Jr. High, and for home meets, they would have to tear down and set everything up in the gym. This year, they got a new floor, and everything was put into the auxiliary gym at the Jr. High. They had a lot more room and most of it was better but "it was very cold," said sophomore Justine Kozlina.

Senior Amanda Dykhuis has been with the team since 8th grade, and this year she decided to make a bar routine. "My bar routine was hilarious, it was so great," Dykhuis said. After having the same floor routine for 2 years, junior Gracie Hilliard decided she wanted yet another thing new and changed that as well.



THE  
**season**



We've done really good the whole season; there wasn't really just a certain point to be highlighted.

SAMI BYER





**COMPLETING ONE OF THE HARDEST SKILLS** on the bars, a giant is sophomore **Sami Byer**. She is the only member of the team to perform this skill in her bar routine. *Photo by Eve Ayala*



**CATCHING A BREATH** in the middle of a beam routine, junior **Gracie Hilliard** poses for the audience. While having a beam routine full of jumps, twists, and flips Hilliard also includes moments where she is able to take a break while looking wonderful on the beam. Hilliard was an All-CAAC selection for the beam and honorable mention for all-around and bars. *Photo by Eve Ayala*



**POSING FOR A PICTURE** the team takes a break from competing and smiles together. From top to bottom: Ali Templin, Jessica Beeson, Laura Mastin, Katie Knop, Danielle Kittle, Amanda Dykhuis, Gracie Hilliard, Sami Byer, Justine Kozlina, and Alyse Siedelberg. *Courtesy photo*

**W**I had a lot of fun on the bus rides to meets. We would read magazines and have a riot.

**DANIELLE KITTLE**

## THE scores 7.2

Holt Invitational	3rd of 10
Haslett	131.5-131.55
Jackson	133.5-118.4
Mason	128.55-127.8
Eastern/Sexton	124.45-100.575
Grand Ledge	136.45-138.75
East Lansing	131.90-130.85
Jackson Lumen Christi	135.025-121.45
Jackson NW	134.575-120.35
CAAC League Meet	136.5
St. Johns	136.925-134.725
Regionals	5th place



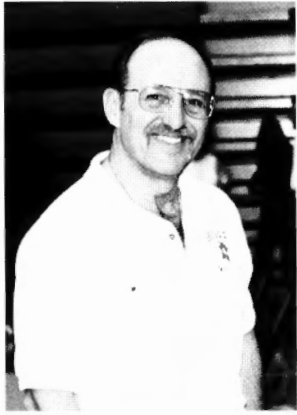
**AFTER WINNING** his final match at the conference meet, junior **Cameron Rodgers** realizes his exhaustion. Photo by Craig Steward



**MENTAL TOUGHNESS** is serious business for senior **Derek Johnson**, as he and **Coach Granger** prepare for yet another dual meet. Photo by Doris Ghastin



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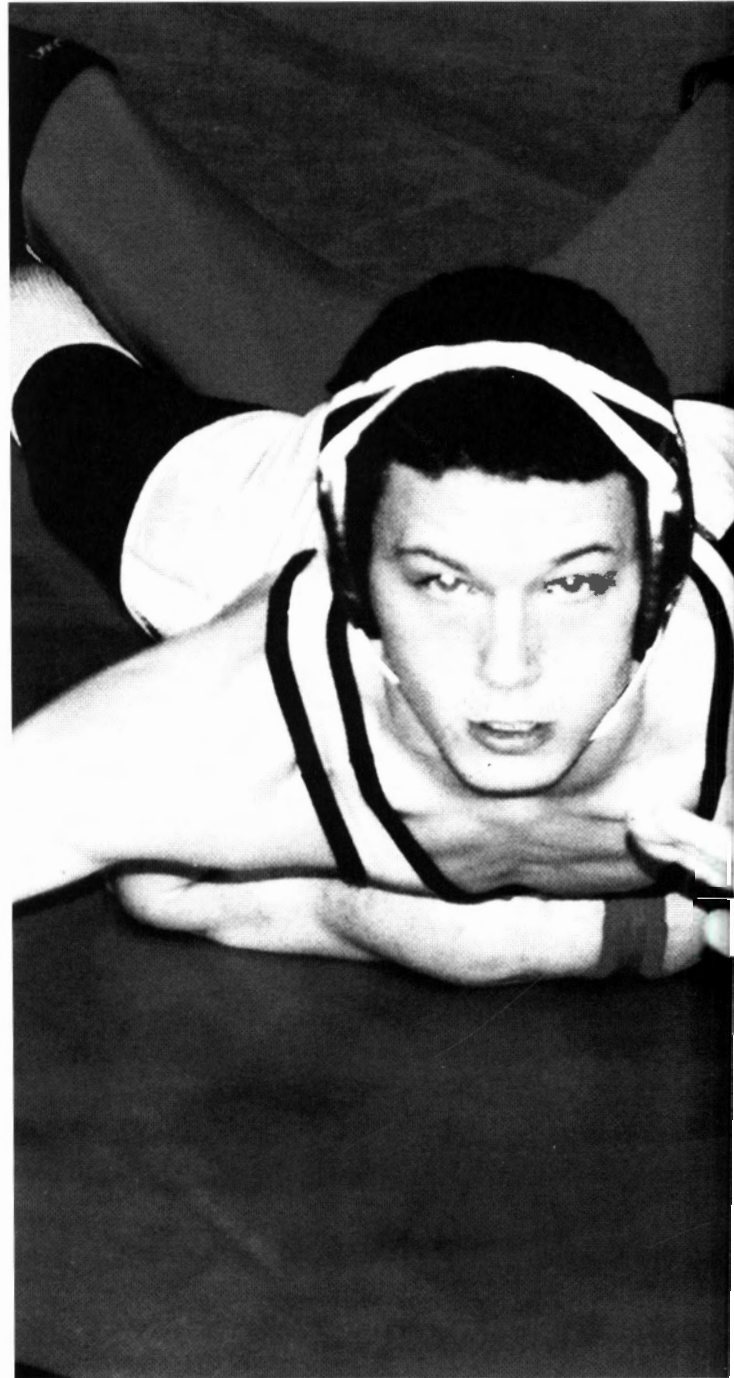


**FOR THE PAST TWENTY-FOUR YEARS** and counting, **Rocky Shaft** has coached Holt's wrestlers. Before becoming the head coach, Shaft was an assistant coach in Jackson for one year and then transferred to Holt for two years as an assistant coach. "There is so much positive in this sport, yet only those who have participated appreciate all you do to be successful in wrestling," Coach Shaft said. Photo by Craig Steward

There's a lot more to wrestling than most people think. Of course everybody who has watched their practices knows about the unbelievable conditioning wrestlers put themselves through. But, do they know about the state-required nutrition meetings and body analysis? Many people assume that wrestlers just *don't eat* or *barely eat* to cut weight.

As Coach Rocky Shaft would say, "only the stupid starve." Shaft believes everyone across the nation is complaining about obesity and out-of-condition youth and he's exactly right about that. Wrestling is a sport that is not only about competition, strength and having fun. It is also about learning the right nutrition.

Throughout the year, there is an outstanding booster organization for the reinforcement of proper nutrition. During a wrestling season, there are many steps to cutting weight. Eating fruit after practice and a proper diet provided at team state tournaments are just a few ways wrestlers keep themselves at a healthy, competitive weight.



## THE coaches



**"THE MEDIA STINKS** in the way they cover high school sports, especially wrestling. We just try to be positive," says assistant coach **Pat Whitford**. Photo by Katie Ross



**"IT WAS A SEASON FOR GROWTH** and maturity. We've never had seven state qualifiers and the younger kids now have higher expectations," says assistant coach **Stanley Granger**. Photo by Craig Steward

## THE season



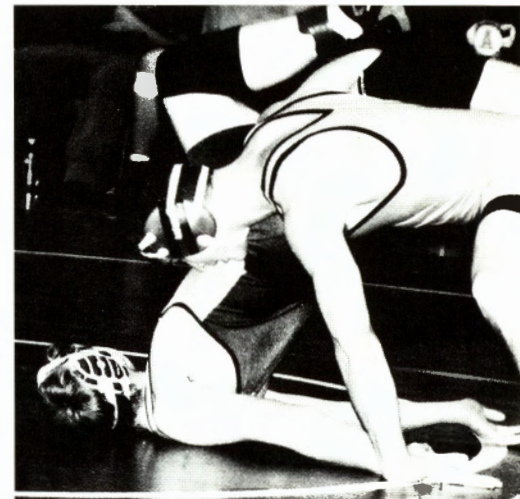


**BRINGING HIM BACK** onto the mat is senior **Phil Emmons**, making sure that he gets the takedown before it is too late. Photo by Doris Ghastin

**STACKIN' 'EM UP**, is senior **Troy Albert**, 152 pounder, as he sets up his opponent for the highlight video-style pin with ease. "That pin was hilarious," Albert said. "Afterwards everyone called me 'The Crucifer!'" Photo by Doris Ghastin

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**SECONDS BEFORE THE PIN**, senior **Kyle Ghastin** holds his position with everything he's got during the biggest tournament of the season in Canton, Ohio. Photo by Doris Ghastin

**SENIOR SEAN HANTON GETS A FEEL** for his opponent at the CAAC individual tournament. Photo by Doris Ghastin

The dedicated athlete with a competitive goal and heart will usually win.  
COACH ROCKY SHAFT

## THE scores 17.3

Sexton	64-9	W	Rochester	57-24	W
Okemos	69-6	W	Seaholm	66-6	W
Jackson	52-18	W	Brother Rice	78-0	W
East Lansing	78-6	W	Ferndale	66-3	W
Grand Ledge	20-31	L	Utica Ford	43-19	W
Everett	61-11	W	Okemos	55-24	W
Eastern	27-36	L	Everett	45-28	W
Lake Orion	53-18	W	Saline	19-42	L
South Lyon	43-26	W	N. Canton Inv.	13th	
Roch. Adams	69-12	W	Rockford Inv.	3rd	
Northville	55-15	W	DCC Inv.	4th	
Plymouth Salem	47-26	W	Holt Inv.	2nd	



#### AREN'T URKLE DAYS OVER?

The JV team proves they're not for them as they show off their brown and gold sweats to their coach as she sneaks a quick photo. "We had to get a picture of everyone in our sweats to send to the company we got them from and then everyone on our team decided we'd take an Urkle one, for fun," sophomore **Nicole Smith** said.

*Courtesy Photo*



**GOING UP FOR A BLOCK**, junior **Erika Neumann** puts the shut down on Waverly. "I like playing each year because of all the friends and coaches I meet through it and how I learn new things about volleyball each season," Neumann said. *Photo by Nathan Parsons*

## BRINGING the heat

#### WHILE HER TEAMMATES WATCH

**HER** serve the ball over to Sexton, sophomore **Amy Schinkel** takes her time to make sure she gets it over. The JV team had a tough season record, but they played well at the CAAC tournament. "I liked playing volleyball this year, it was a lot of fun. I think one thing that hurt us as a team was that we weren't all that close," Schinkel said.

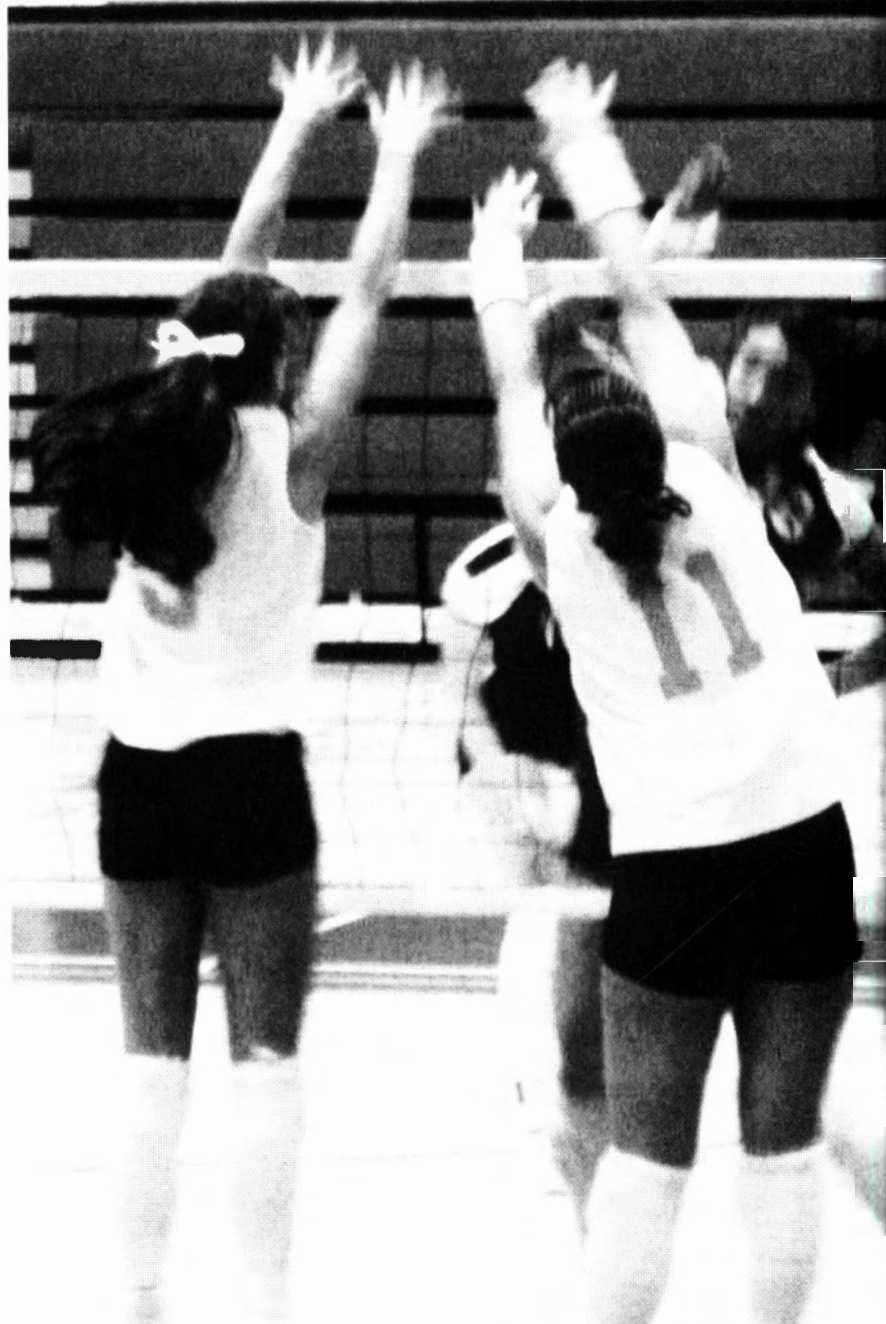
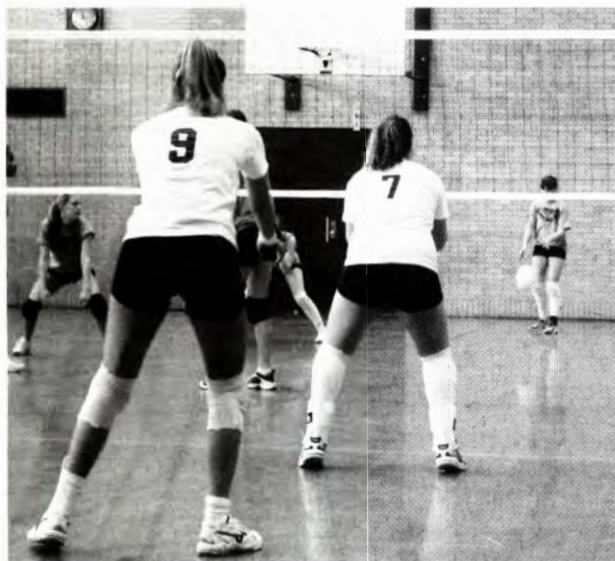
*Photo by Nathan Parsons*



#### PREPARING TO RECEIVE A SERVE

from Sexton, sophomore **Melissa Klauka** and freshman **Jena Allen** get in position so they can set the ball up. "Our team was good this year, we would just get mental blocks at times."

We won and lost games as a team," Klauka said. *Photo by Nathan Parsons*



## THE scores 12.10.0

Waverly	0-2 L
Mason	2-0 W
East Lansing	1-2 L
Jackson	0-2 L
Sexton	2-0 W
Grand Ledge	0-2 L
Everett	2-0 W
Lansing Catholic Central	1-2 L
Okemos	0-2 L
Eastern	2-0 W



**USING HER ARM MUSCLES AGAINST** Waverly, Senior **Ali Hull** gets around the blocker and hits the ball over to Waverly. "The only bad thing about having my mom as a coach is that I can't go home and complain about her," Hull said. Hull also said "I think we all played our best against Okemos; they just proved to be the better team." Photo by Nathan Parsons



## FRIENDSHIP AND TALENT HELPED THIS YEAR'S VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM

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# play their game

by sara bullion and nathan parsons

Do karaoke and volleyball have anything in common? They don't unless you were on the varsity volleyball team this past season.

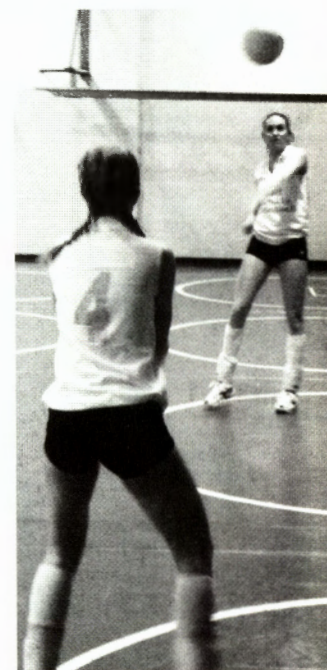
"We sang karaoke at Teddy Priebe's house before a couple volleyball games," said junior Courtney Grafuis. The team of two seniors, seven juniors and one sophomore became extremely close due to these types of gatherings. These miniature "Nights at the Karaoke Bar" showed just how close the team was. The girls' unity allowed them to have one of the best seasons throughout Holt's volleyball history. "Being friends really helped because if you don't get along you won't play well together," said junior Erica Albrecht. "This was my Mom's first year as coach of the Holt Varsity team," says senior player, Ali Hull, also the daughter of Coach Debbie Hull. "She used to coach a varsity team down in New Albany, Ohio. They were able to make it to the state's finals which is really cool."

As the new coach of the varsity team, Coach Hull led the group of girls to a second place finish in the CAAC season and a second place tournament finish. They completed their season only behind Okemos, one of the two teams which had been able to beat Holt during the past season games. The team had a season record of 18 and 5, making it to the conference finals in the tournament. They won numerous trophies from tournaments and invitational which will only feed the teams hunger for next season. With 8 of 10 players returning next year, this team will be ready to take it all.



**TAKING A QUICK TIME OUT** during their tournament, the team discusses how their going to keep playing the way they know how. "I was really looking forward for the season when I found out I made the team. I knew we had a lot of talent and I was glad I got to play with some of the girls I played with last year," Sophomore **Franny DeJongh** stated. photo by Nathan Parsons

**"OOOOOOOOO" WAS THE** blocking cheer this year for the team, and they had no problem yelling it after Juniors **Erika Neumann** and **Erica Albrecht** jump up at just the right time to do a double block. "Being friends really helped us this year because if you don't get along then you won't play well together. I think the reason we did so good is because we knew how everyone played so we knew what to do and what not to do on court," Albrecht said. Photo by Nathan Parsons



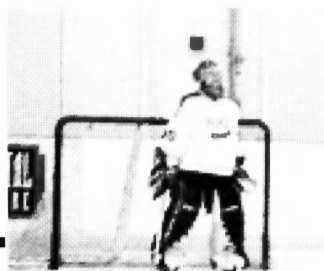
**PEPPER TO ONE** another as they warm up for their tournament, sophomore **Franny DeJongh** and junior **Courtney Grafuis** get their fun but serious faces on. Grafuis says their coach this year "brought serious and fun together. Once our team realized how much talent we had, we realized that we could win more." Photo by Nathan Parsons

## THE scores 18.5.0

Waverly	2-0 W
Mason	2-1 W
East Lansing	2-0 W
Jackson	2-0 W
Sexton	2-0 W
Grand Ledge	1-2 L
Everett	2-0 W
Lansing Catholic Central	2-0 W
Okemos	1-2 L
Eastern	2-0 W



**SLAP SHOT AFTER SLAP SHOT**, senior goalie **Joey Kirkpatrick** has to deal with a tremendous amount of pressure. A few minutes of downtime is always a relief.



**"TEAMWORK** wins games, which is what we lacked throughout the season," said junior **Brandon Boatman**. He looks forward to next year and says, "All we can do now is wait for next season to come around and hopefully we can be more competitive in our league." Photo by Kim Boatman



# KEEPING IT in check

by sarah moule

What comes to mind when you think of an ice rink? Winter coats, hats and gloves? Hot chocolate?

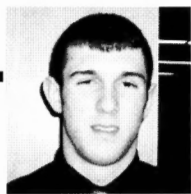
These things are not the first things you notice when you walk into a Holt hockey game. What you will see are several girls supporting their team covered only in tiny tank tops and goosebumps. Despite some of the bumps in the road, there is no doubt that the fans were behind their team one hundred and ten percent.

"We had a disappointing year that was filled with injuries and internal conflicts," said senior captain Billy Kingsley. For example, in a freak accident, senior Josh Major ran over twin brother John Major's finger, slicing a few of the tendons. Too many of the players, the highlight of the rough season was when they beat Jackson. Senior goalie Josh Endsley said, "We actually came together as a team in that game."

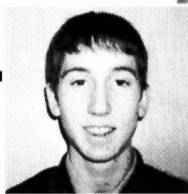
**ANXIOUSLY AWAITING** the puck, captain **Billy Kingsley** prepares to keep the game moving. As team captain and a senior, Kingsley played a huge leadership role for the team. According to Kingsley, "Even though this year was somewhat disappointing for the large number of seniors, the underclassmen are really beginning to click, and they will be a force to reckon with, in the next couple of years." Courtesy photo



## THE captains



"Toward the end of the year we started to have some more fun and really enjoy playing hockey together," said team captain **Billy Kingsley**. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



Senior **Joe Eastman** was also given the honor of being a captain of the hockey team for his senior year after playing for nine years as a center. Photo by John Zdankiewicz



As a junior, **Greg Rudawski** had a huge leadership role to fill by being chosen as a captain. Photo by Sarah Moule

**INNER FRUSTRATIONS** sometimes ended up as penalties. Here senior **Brad Wief-erich** and junior **Brandon Boatman** did the crime so they do the time, as Mr. Cheney looks after them. According to teammates, senior Billy Kingsley spent the most time in the box. Photo by Kim Boatman



**OH, SAY CAN YOU SEE** that the season was a tough one? According to senior **John Major**, "Hockey this season was dramatic. The team was always going up and down, we never settled in with one another." Here the team stands for the singing of the National Anthem. Photo by Kim Boatman

# THE season

Once all the kinks were worked out, we began to gel and come together as a team.  
**BILLY KINGSLEY**

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**PREPARING FOR A FACEOFF** against Grand Ledge are seniors **Brad Wieferich** and **Billy Kingsley**. Wieferich plays as left wing and Kingsley is a center for the team. Courtesy Photo

**BELOW LEFT:** Digging his blades in, senior **Alex Cheney** fights for the puck against GrandLedge/Waverly. Photo by Kim Boatman



**KEEPING IT TOGETHER** was mandatory for the varsity hockey team. Instead of giving up after losses and emotional defeats, the players worked through them and kept their fans coming back for more. Here the team poses, looking united. "Thanks to all our fans who supported us through this rough time," said junior **Brandon Boatman**. Courtesy Photo



**ABOVE FAR LEFT:** In a fast-break fury, junior **Brandon Boatman** takes a shot on the opposing team's goal. Both Boatman and senior **John Major** would agree that "There was no other hockey team in the league like us, that's what made us special," said Major. Photo by Kim Boatman

**IF THAT GAME FACE** doesn't scare you then what does? Senior goalie **Joey Kirkpatrick** makes his way onto the ice. Photo by Kim Boatman

## THE scores 3.22

Okemos	4-2	L'Anse Cruese North	7-4 L
L'Anse Cruese North	5-3	Jackson Lumen Christi	8-2 L
Haslett/Williamston	7-3	Lansing Catholic Central	8-1 L
Grand Ledge/Waverly	4-1	Lowell	6-3 L
Hudsonville	8-0	Grand Ledge/Waverly	10-0 L
G.R. Forest Hills Central	10-2	Dewitt/St. Johns	2-1 L
Saginaw Nouvel CC.	9-4	Jackson	5-4 W
Jackson	6-4	East Lansing	10-0 L
Jackson Lumen Christi	8-0	Hudsonville	7-0 W
East Lansing	10-0	Lansing Catholic Central	10-0 L
Lowell	9-8 ot	Dewitt/St. Johns	9-1 L
Okemos	8-2	East Lansing	8-1 L
Haslett/Williamston	9-1		



## THE MENS VARSITY

team posing with their trophy. Members of the team include **Ryan Anderson**, **Nick Beeson**, **Chris Case**, **Ryan Collins**, **Chad Fox**, **Chris Greathouse**, **Ben Johnidis**, **Josh Korte**, **Ben Noble**, **Zach Norris**, **Derek Parker**, **Casey Simmons** and **Tony Sparks**.

Courtesy photo



## THE WOMENS VARSITY

Bowling Team posing with their trophy. The women bowlers include **Liza Lindeman**, **Lisa Bartz**, **Chasity Bates**, **Sami Torok**, **Rachel Carter**, **Danielle Graham**, **Michaela Bond**, **Brandy Hatcher**, **Stephanie Gibbs**, and **Kelsey Ketcik**.

Courtesy photo



# IN THEIR SPARE time

by stephanie gibbs and bethany hollern

Strategy.

A careful plan or method.

Ball in the ready position,

Feet on the marks,

Start stepping.

See the pins,

Line up the arrows,

Set an angle,

Start to slow down,

Pull the ball backwards,

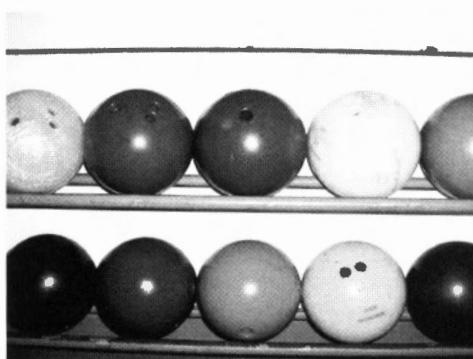
Push it forwards,

Turn the wrist,

Check the arrows once more,

Release.

This year the bowling team became a varsity sport and the bowlers have worked very hard. Being a good bowler doesn't come naturally, as junior Michaela Bond knows. "To become a better bowler, my mom took me bowling and told me to find one way to bowl. I practiced consistently and a lot on my own time. It was a lot of fun and I encourage people to try out next year," Bond said.



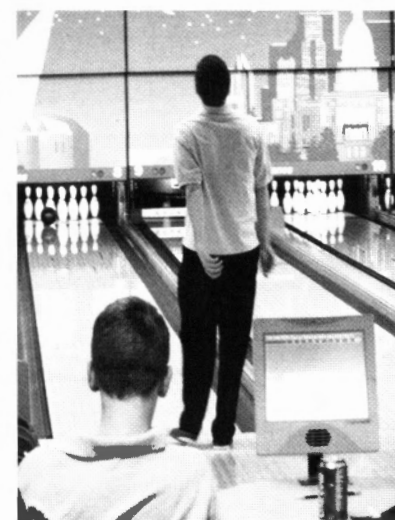
## SENIORS SAMANTHA TOROK

and **Kelsey Ketcik** talking at one of their matches. Ketcik was first at CAHSBC this year. Courtesy photo

## FRESHMAN CHAD FOX

**BOWLS** at one of their matches.

This is **Fox's** first year on the team, but he's bowled for a long time. He even has his name up on Mason Lanes for having a really high series. Courtesy photo



## MASON LANES IS WHERE THE

bowling teams practice at. The team's coach is **Craig Huhn**. Courtesy photo

## SOME OF THE BALLS THAT

THE players practice with at Mason Lanes. "Bowling is bowling. We've been together for so long that we've grown together as a team," senior **Liza Lindeman** said. Lindeman was first for CAHSBC's along with senior **Kelsey Ketcik**. Courtesy photo

## BOYS A scores

Haslett A	30-0 W	8.0
LCC	28-2 W	
Holt B	29-1 W	
Holt B	30-0 W	
Grand Ledge	28-2 W	
LCC A	25-5 W	
Grand Ledge A	16-14W	
Haslett A	28-2 W	

## BOYS B scores

Haslett A	18-12W	2.6
Grand Ledge	1-29 L	
LCC	3-27 L	
Holt A	0-30 L	
Haslett	22-8 W	
Holt A	5-29.5L	
LCC B	4-26 L	
Grand Ledge A	3-27 L	

## GIRLS A scores

Haslett	26-4 W	8.0
Haslett	26-4 W	
LCC	26-4 W	
Grand Ledge	20-10W	
Holt B	30-0 W	
LCC	29-1 W	
Haslett	29-1 W	
East Lansing	28-2 W	

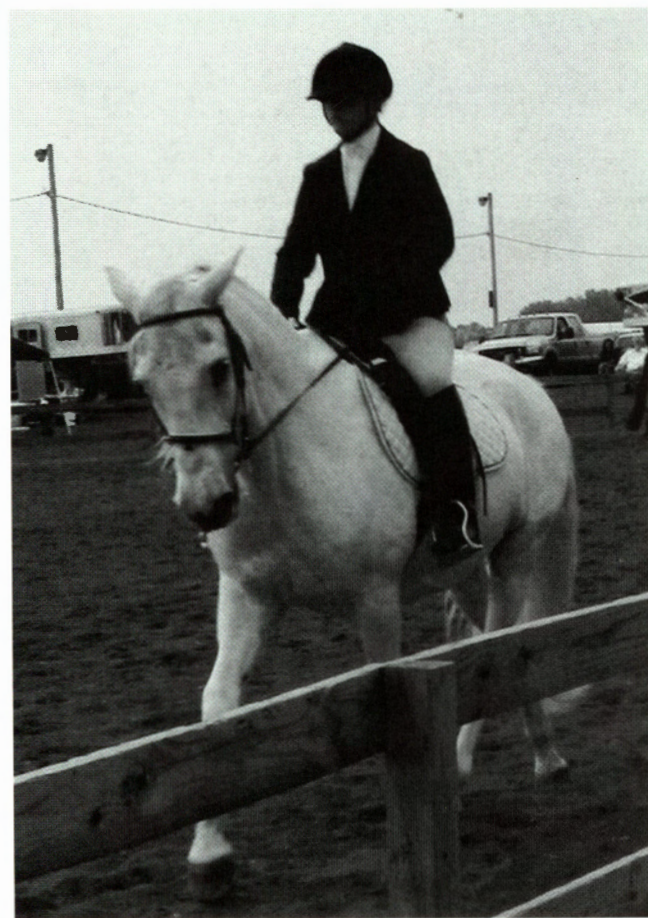
## GIRLS B scores

Marshall B	0-30 L	1.7
Grand Ledge	0-30 L	
East Lansing	0-30 L	
LCC	30-0 W	
Holt A	0-30 L	
East Lansing	1-29 L	
Grand Ledge	0-30 L	
Haslett	12-18L	





**JUNIOR KATIE GOLDEN** shows her horse Charlie to judges at the Mason meet. She has had Charlie for two years. "Showmanship is my favorite event because there are so many details and if you work them all out you can do really well," said Golden. "And I like competing with Charlie because he's the cutest," she added. *Courtesy Photo*



**"I HAVE SHOWN IN 4-H** since I was seven," said sophomore **Jessica Seguin**. Here, she is competing in Hunt Seat with Conn, a 23 year old Lippizanner-Quarter Horse cross. "In Hunt Seat you ride around in three different gaits and have your riding critiqued," said Seguin. *Courtesy Photo*



**SOPHOMORE JESSICA SEGUIN'S** favorite event is Dressage, although it is not offered at equestrian team meets. Here she competes in Gymkhana with Conn. "My horse Ike is an eight year old Standardbred but he wasn't ready for competition so I rode Conn instead," said Seguin. *Courtesy Photo*

# BACK IN THE saddle AGAIN

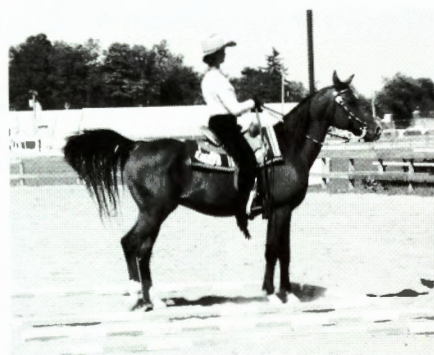
by ashley hunt

Most people only see horses at parades or the county fair, for the members of the equestrian team it's part of their daily life. "I have to feed them every morning before going to school. After school their stalls and buckets need cleaning. They also have to be let in at night to eat again, this is on top of providing them with attention and training," said sophomore Jessica Seguin. "We also have to schedule the dentist, farrier and chiropractor regularly," said junior

Kaitlyn Sherer.

These girls have taken on the extra responsibility to compete in something they love. They compete in level 4-H shows, as well as equestrian team meets. They compete in events such as Dressage, Western, Hunters, and Gymkhana events as well as flag and barrel racing.

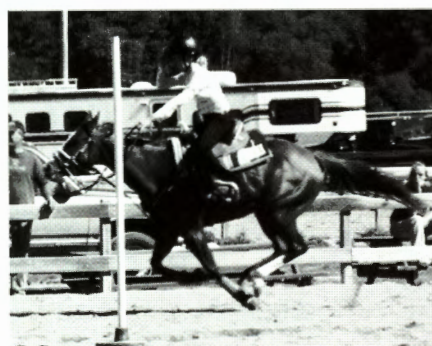
After high school these girls would like to continue with the sport they



**COMPETING IN TRAIL** is junior **Kaitlyn Sherer** with her horse Revie, but Sherer's favorite event is barrel racing. "I ride Stormy, my cousin's horse; she is a Quarter Horse that I barrel race. I have also ridden Revie my 24-year-old Arabian for six years in 4-H shows and barrel races," said Sherer. *Courtesy Photo*

love. "I would like to be on a college equestrian or rodeo team and continue to barrel race. I hope to be able to have horses when I'm older," said Sherer. "I will hopefully be able to continue competing once out of high school but if not I would surely continue riding for pleasure," added Seguin.

These girls ride in Holt's parade every year and they have meets every September at the Ingham County Fairgrounds.



**JUNIOR KAITLYN SHERER** has been riding horses since she was eight years old. "My family four horses, two of them are mine. We are also keeping two of my cousin's horses right now. We keep them at my house." Here, she competes in a pole race. *Courtesy Photo*



# coping with a whole new WORLD

by ashley duffy and bethany hollern

Holt High School used to be in the center of everything, bringing students to the businesses nearby. But do students still go into town even though the high school has moved?

"It is an inconvenience to drive all the way into Holt when it is not on the way so I don't really go in to town that much," said junior Jessica Merriott. Although some people don't find a need to travel into town, some people still need to get their fix of a slurpee, such as sophomore Lindsey Konzman who said that she "occasionally goes into town to eat ice cream and drink slurpees." Sophomore Allison Vanderberg agreed: "I always go to 7-11 to get cherry slurpees after cheerleading practice. They're so good."

Not only do people go to 7-11, but also they visit the one of the newest additions to our community: Van Java Café. Many local bands play there, including teacher Craig Huhn's and sophomore Brandon Baxter's, but an employee of Van Java, junior Dani Dimmitt said, "The business would be so much better if we still were going to the old high school because so many students would stop there just like everyone who used to eat at Little Caesars."

But the new location of the high school did not diminish the support by the community for the lighting of the Christmas tree. Many people came to the library to see the lighting, listen to the choir and band, and watch the Girl Scouts who led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance. This is one thing that the community does during the year together, so a lot of people wanted to be a part of it. "I froze my socks off, but it was so cool to see everybody that showed up," said junior Sarah Benson.

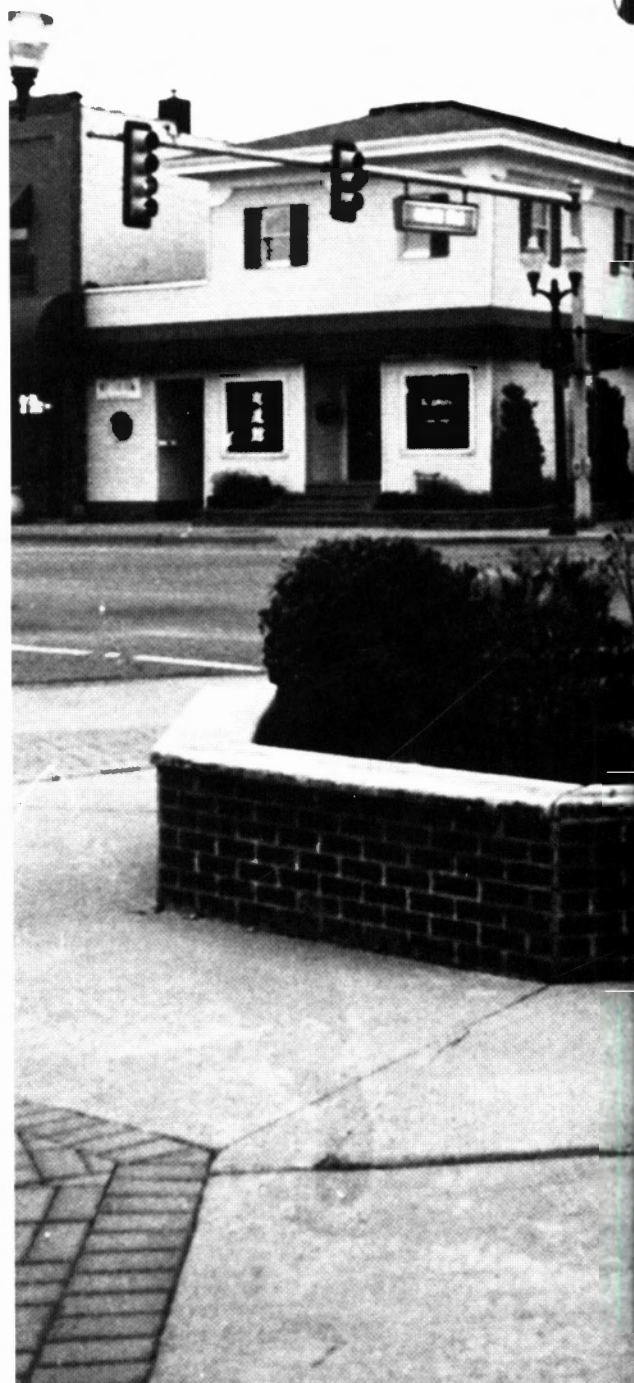
While the location of the new high school has affected some of the businesses, it hasn't changed the most important thing: how people feel toward our community.



#### THE SIGN SWINGS FROM OUTSIDE

Van Java Café in downtown Holt. The café is one of the newest businesses in Holt and is known for having musical entertainment. They have open mic nights every Tuesday and Thursday, and also have bands play on the weekends. "I like working there because I get to listen to the bands," said senior

**Jamie Morrow.** Photo by Ashley Duffy





**EVERYONE GATHERED AROUND**  
 in the library to get away from the cold  
 during the tree lighting ceremony.  
 People of all ages came to the  
 Township Hall. The spirits were high  
 for the holiday season this year and  
 everyone had a great time. *Photo by*  
*Bethany Hollern*

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**THE CLOCK SITS AT THE HOLT**  
 and Cedar St. intersection. It was built  
 in 1995 along with the surrounding  
 stores. The idea for the building was  
 to help improve and expand the com-  
 munity. Some of the businesses at the  
 plaza include Neumann Law, Fantastic  
 Sam's, Cottage Inn and Cozy Cup.  
*Photo by Ashley Duffy*

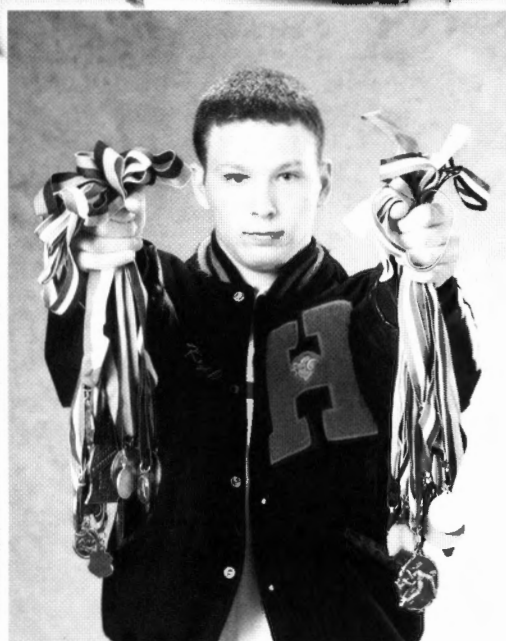
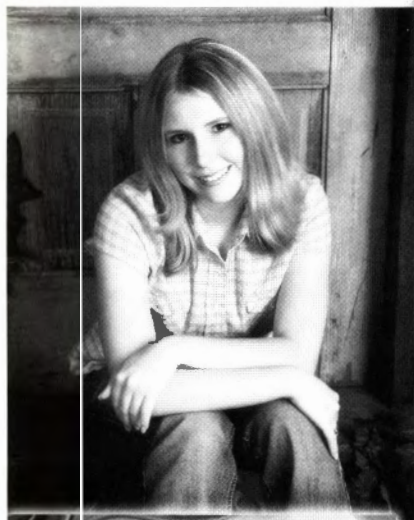
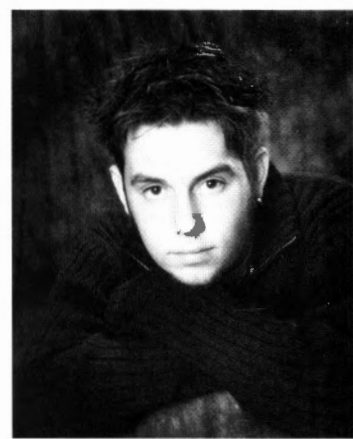
**SANTA AND MRS. CLAUSE** enter-  
 tain the crowd while Holt's choir exits  
 the stands after their performance at  
 the tree lighting. "Everyone seemed  
 happy and full of holiday spirit. I love  
 Santa!" said junior **Sarah Castor**.  
*Photo by Bethany Hollern*



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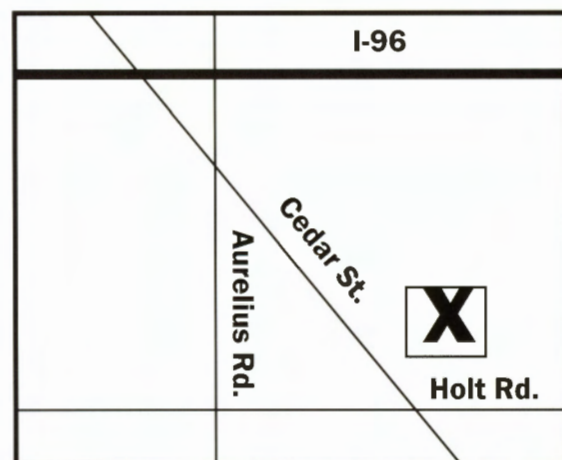
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# SENIOR love notes

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## BILLY kingsley



Dear Billy,  
Your thoughtfulness and laughter  
brighten our lives. You have many special  
qualities to share and opportunities to  
embrace. We are proud of you. (Your dad  
would be, too.)  
Love,  
Mom and Dani

## NICK neumann



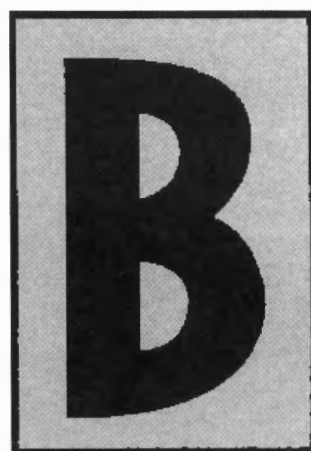
Dear Nick,  
Words cannot express our love for you  
nor how proud we are of you. Always  
caring and kind, you continue to impress  
us with your generous and loving heart.  
Your love of life is apparent by the  
twinkle in your eye, your easy smile and  
laid-back style. Stay the way you are  
Nick... perfect in every way!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Andi, and Erika

## SARAH baxter



Dear Sarah,  
My bean's all grown up. You are a  
treasure and I am glad you are mine!  
Dream your dreams, then live them!  
I love you! Dad loves you!  
Love,  
Dad and Mom

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lent in your academics. We all love you  
very much.  
Love,  
Dad, Mom, Jill and Amy

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whitford**



Dear Lisa,  
Congratulations, honey! You made it!  
We are so very proud of you. Keep your  
light shining brightly throughout your  
future.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



**ERIN  
schonfelder**

Dear Erin,  
We are so very proud of you. We all wish  
you the very best in what you decide to  
do in life.  
Love,  
Mom, Nicole, Kira, Gabe, and Kaden



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## KAYCEE vowels



Kaycee,  
From the first day of school to the last,  
you have made us very proud every  
step of the way.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Keisha & Dale

## FANNY quandt



Congratulations Fanny Quandt!  
You may be leaving the country,  
but you will never leave our  
hearts!

We love you!

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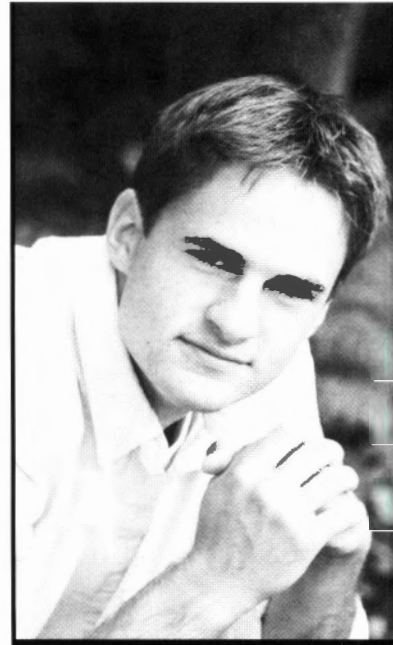
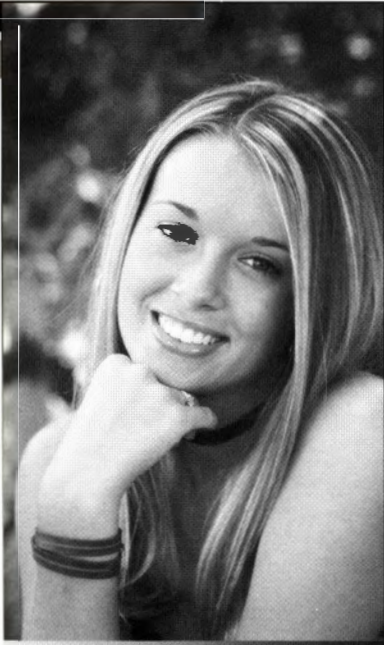
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To our daughter T.J.,  
We are very proud of you and we love  
you very much with all our hearts.  
Love always,  
Mom & Dad



**CHAD  
cole**

You followed your own path and did a  
remarkable job along the way. We are  
very proud of you and love you very  
much.

Mom & Dad and the Gang



**HEATHER  
lambert**

Heather,  
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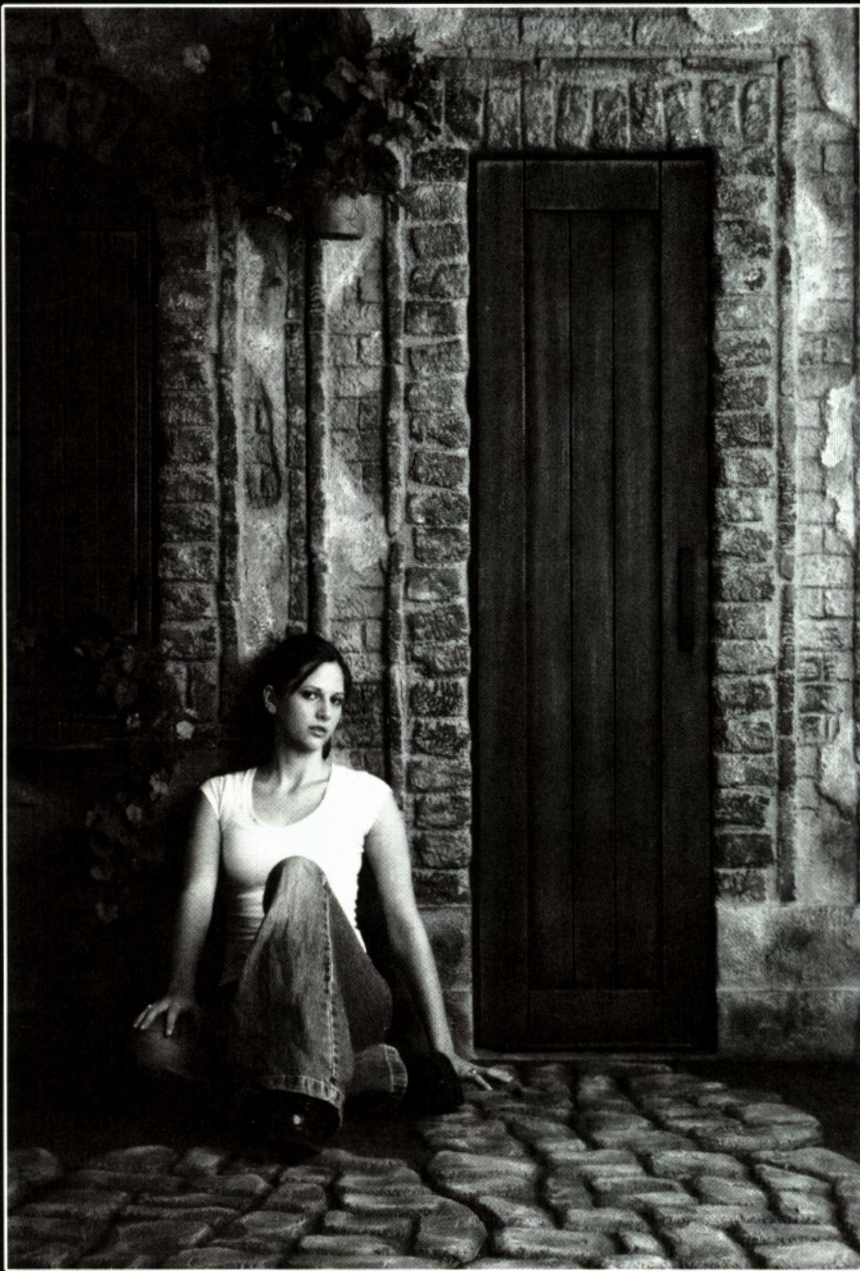
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life we wish you the best and will be  
there all the way.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Emily

### RACHEL carter



Dear Rachel,  
Remember to always believe in yourself.  
Your honesty and your compassion for  
others will help you achieve your goals.  
You have made us very proud!  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

### JENNIFER nash



Dear Jen,  
18 years ago who'd have known that we  
could be so proud of our little girl. You  
have excelled above and beyond. Dream,  
believe, and don't ever stop learning and  
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# SENIOR love notes



**EVE  
ayala**

Eve,  
Congratulations, baby girl, you are  
such a wonderful young woman and a  
perfect daughter. We wish you much  
happiness. We are very proud.  
Love,  
Dad, Mom, B.J., and Addam



**SARAH  
moule**

Sarah,  
We never had any doubts about you  
growing into a mature, intelligent, and  
well-rounded young woman. We are  
very proud of you and your many ac-  
complishments.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Katelin



**MONICA  
Washington**

Monica,  
Wow! Yesterday you were off to pre-  
school, today you're a senior. God has  
truly blessed you. You've grown into a  
beautiful young lady with many talents.  
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Dad, Mom, and Jamie

## ASHLEIGH kretzinger



Ashleigh,  
You are a beautiful young lady with endless talents. Reach for the stars and don't stop until you've reached the one you want. Always be happy. Love,  
Mom  
XOXOXO

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Dear Lindsey,  
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## senior josh peek

**Where did you go before you came here?**

"Everett"

**Why did you decide to come to Holt?**

"I didn't like the atmosphere or the people and their attitudes."

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**Why do you like it?**

"It's a lot easier to concentrate and you can get the stuff done that you need to."



## senior anslee stuber-powell

**Where did you go before you came here?** "Everett"

**Why did you decide to attend Holt?**

"To play for a better soccer team in hopes of getting an athletic scholarship, and because my parents wanted me to."

**How is it different?**

"The teachers and students care more. The athletic program is a lot better. But people are more cliquy in Holt, and new kids aren't as accepted as much."



## sophomore fernando duran

**Where did you go before you came here?**

"Capital Area Academy"

**Why did you move here?**

"Because it has a better school system"

**Do you like it here at Holt?**

"Yes, it's a lot more fun and it's not as hard."

**How is different from your other school?**

"It's a lot more fun."

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## KAMI kosloski



You've grown to be a beautiful young lady and a very special person. We're very proud of you and only want the best for you always. Keep the kindness in your heart and let it guide you. We love you, Kami, and I'm very proud of you.

Love,

Mom, Dad and Keri

## KENNY fellows



Kenny,

I am so grateful that I got to be a part of raising such an awesome young man.

Follow your heart, sweetie.

I love you!

Mom

## COURTNEY craig



Courtney,

To our wonderful daughter. We are so proud of you. May your life be filled with as much joy as you have given us.

Love,

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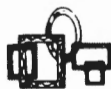




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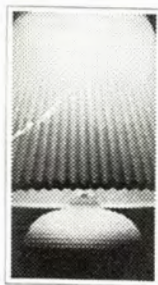


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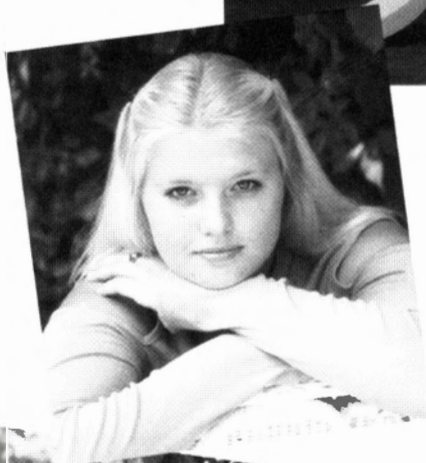
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success. We are so proud of you.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Jeremy

## ASHLEE field



Ashlee,  
We are so proud of you! Cherish the  
memories from your past, great times  
with family, and the friends that you  
have made. You have been such a joy!  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

## HEATHER konzman



Heather,  
You have accomplished so much in  
seventeen years and we are so proud  
of you. Just remember as you continue  
in your journey through life to have fun  
and be yourself.  
Love, Mom, Dad, Glenda and Lindsey



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## KYLE matheny

Sense of humor, talented, and generous heart. You continue to amaze us!  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



## ASHLEY gallagher

Dear Ashley,  
I just want to tell you that I'm proud of you and I love you!  
Mom



## TEASHA alward

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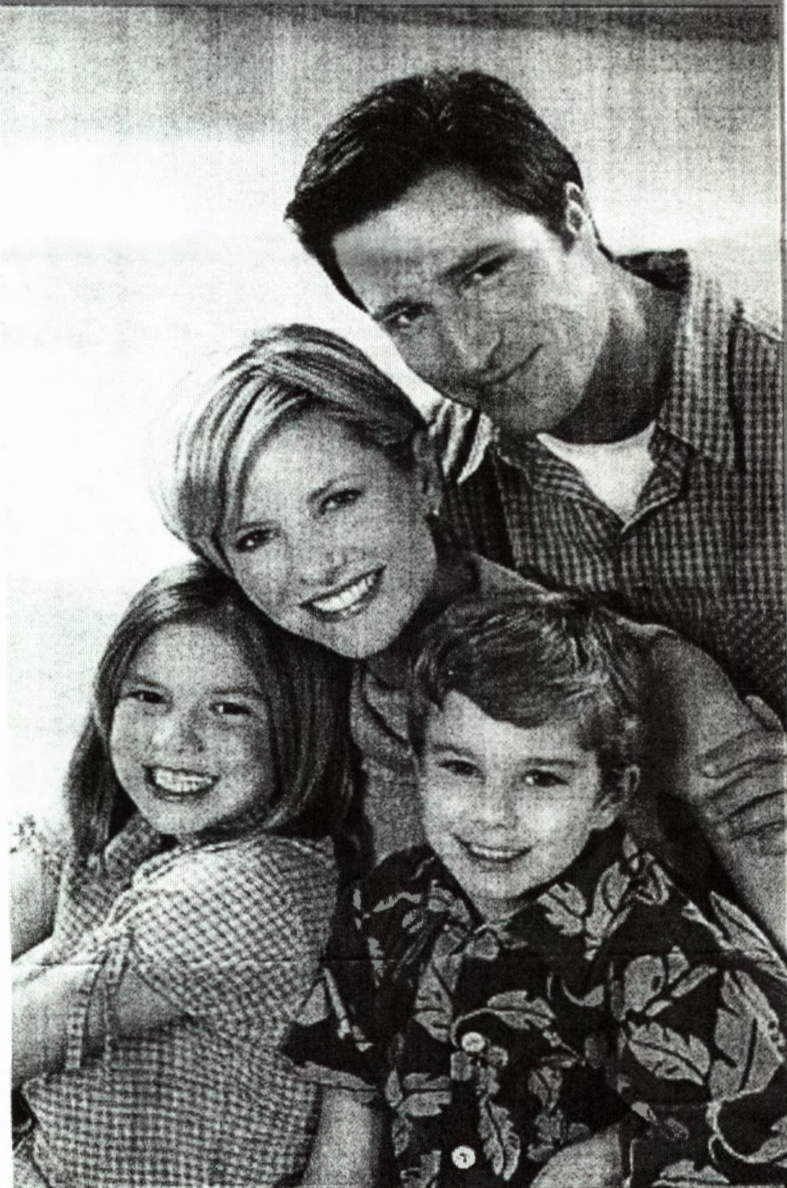
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 be successful in whatever you choose  
 to do.  
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 Your kind, loving heart and beautiful  
 smile will take you far in life. We are so  
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 plished.  
 Love you!  
 Mom, Dad, and Lindy



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## JAMIE morrow



To our beautiful, creative, unique star.  
Follow your heart, believe in yourself,  
make wise decisions, and above all be  
happy.  
We love you,  
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Kelli,  
Congratulations! You have made us very proud! Believe in yourself and follow your dreams.  
We love you always,  
Mom and Dad



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## KATIE ROSS



Dear Katie,  
Life's not measured by the number of  
breaths we take, but by the moments  
that take our breath away. You are  
always a FRESH BREATH.  
Congratulations,  
Mom, Curtis, Misty, Allison, and Amy

## DANIELLE graham



Dear Danielle,  
As our third generation HHS grad, you  
have made us proud for always standing  
up for what you believe in. Your love for  
people and especially children will make  
you a wonderful nurse some day. Follow  
your dreams. We love you Nelly!  
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Our love goes everywhere you go, Mom, Dad, and Travis



### STACY parrish

Dear Stacy,  
We love you very much. Always remember that. Your opportunities are endless, focus, and go after them.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Aleasha, Bethany, and Joshua



### KATIE dillon

Dear Katie,  
We're so proud of you, and can't believe you're a SENIOR ALREADY! We wish you all the best at Grand Valley! You'll do great there!  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



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## JUSTIN smith

Dearest Justin,  
Graduation is here soon. In a blink of an eye you have become an adult. Tears of joy can hardly describe my heart.  
Love you always,  
Mom



## ALISA hull

Angelface,  
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Love, Mom

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"THE REASON I wanted to be in yearbook was to get my picture in it more often, but come to find out when you're on the staff you can't be," said senior **Sarah Moule**. Photo by Katie Ross

**AT A LUNCHEON DURING** an annual MIPA conference, yearbook and journalism students gather around the table together at the Nuthouse on Michigan Avenue across from the Lansing Center where the conference was held. From left: seniors **Katie Dillon, Whitney Arambula**, juniors **Jessica Keener and Ben Berry**, seniors **Lindsey Beemer, Bethany Keyes, Ashley Hunt, Katie Ross**, and **Eve Ayala**. Photo by John Zdankiewicz

**SOMETIMES DURING YEARBOOK** class, or even on a late afternoon, you just have to be in a good mood to continue on through very frustrating moments. Adviser **Christine Beno** waves a big hello in between answering challenging questions and fixing major problems. Photo by Katie Ross







**SENIORS EVE AYALA, ASHLEY HUNT,** and **Beth Keyes** wait patiently for the next MIPA session to begin. Each class was roughly forty-five minutes long. Every year MIPA provides a variety of different sessions that students can choose to attend. Photo by Katie Ross



**SOPHOMORES KACIE DITTENBER** and **Heather Ungerman** get used to the many attachments that come along with being new yearbook members. To begin, they search the computer for interesting layouts. Photo by Katie Ross

**SENIOR KATIE ROSS**, the only third year advanced yearbook staff member, plans out one of her final pages for the last time. Ross has spent many Saturdays attending to yearbook needs and plans on visiting in the future just to check up on the new members. Photo by Dani Dimmitt

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## KATIE lamphier

Katie,  
You have experienced so much - and grown - you're awesome! Keep up the patience and perseverance. Remember to write from college. We love you!  
Mom, Dad, & Becky



## RAQUEL llinas

Querida Raqueli:  
*Mi hermosa hija, eres una rosa especial.*  
We are very proud of your accomplishments. Follow your dream y se que seras feliz.  
*Te amo.* We love you.  
Dad y Patricia

## GISELE llinas

We are so glad that you made it. We wish you the best in your future.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

## JENNIFER spencer

We are so glad that you made it. We love you with all our hearts.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Dougie Jr., & Shelly



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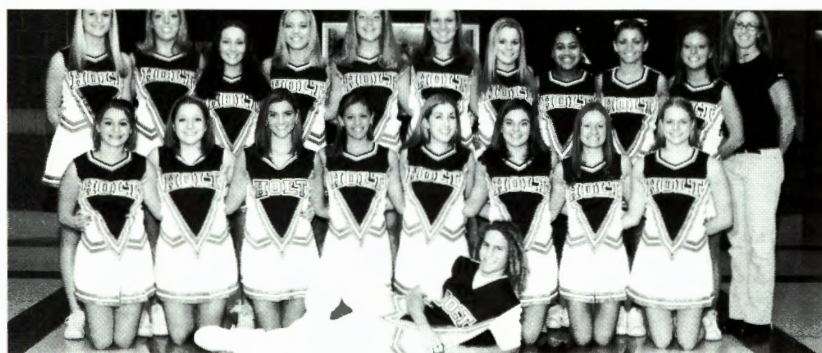
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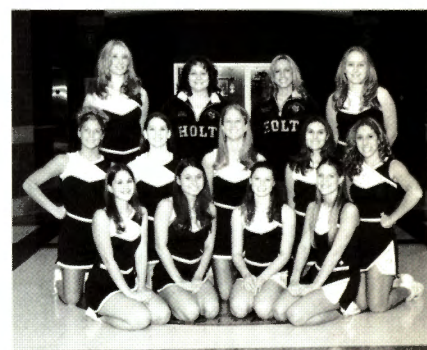
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# WE Finish

by Dani Dimmitt

Each school year has many different "finishes." After one sports season ends, a new one begins. A new semester ends, a new one begins. The end of a school year is not an end, but a continuation. For underclassmen, it's a break and then another year of school.

But seniors embark on a new journey: real life. For many this is college, and for others it is their career. "I plan on attending an in-state college because it's a lot cheaper and close to home," said senior Kenny Fellows.

Regardless of expectations, students still have plans for the summer. "I plan on working again this summer to save money for college and I plan on going to my camp," said junior Jessica Merriott.

With success and some disappointment, the first year at the new school has come to a close.







**AT THE FINISH OF THE SEMESTER** the band students clean out the back of the stage for the start of a new semester. Seniors **Jason Briggs, Ryan Collins** and **Samantha Torok** goof around while cleaning. "Every year we have to clean out the stage area, obviously we have fun," said Collins. *Photo by John Zdankiewicz*



**FINISHING HIS BATTLE OF THE BANDS ROUTINE** is senior **Nick Noble**. "By screaming, Nick Noble was representing 3.0," said senior **Jamie Morrow** who is also a member of 3.0. *Photo by John Zdankiewicz*



**THE VARSITY WOMEN'S TENNIS** season finished successfully. Junior **Mia Theroux** made it to the second day of states, the best Holt has ever done. "It was the best way to finish," said Theroux. "It was a really fun season, we were so successful!" *Photo by Katie Dillon*

**THE CROSS COUNTRY TEAM EXPERIENCED MANY BUMPS** in the road that led to a finish that wasn't expected. Senior **Alan Fobbe** was one of the few people to not get injured during this rocky season. "We were hoping for a much better year than we had. We started out really strong; it's too bad we couldn't have done better," said Fobbe. *Photo by Ashley Hunt*



What lies  
behind us  
and what lies  
before us  
are small matters  
compared to what lies  
within us.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

*2004 Senior Class Motto*