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"Students at Holt have a lot of potential: we never give up, we work hard, and we strive to be the best."

- Junior **Dante Murchison**

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"Without the challenging classes I've decided to take, I wouldn't be able to get into the college of my choice."

- Sophomore, **Annette Gianino**

## STUDENT LIFE 94

"There are a lot of suprising things that happen after school hours. Holt has a friendly environment and people from a lot of different backgrounds."

- Senior **Srba Rankovick**

## CLUBS & ORGS 126

"In our club we do community service and I like it because we go out and help other people but we have fun doing it."

- Senior **Jennifer Therrian**

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"I play sports because of the family feeling. Everyone on the football team is so close and if I didn't play it would be like letting down my brothers."

- Senior **Reggie Hartig**

## COMMUNITY 187

"In Key Club we know this lady named Hazel and every fall we go and rake her leaves; we also go to special bowling on Saturdays."

- Senior **Emily Spenny**



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Life is just sometimes very...

# ORGANIZED

by Kacie Dittenber & Heather Ungerman

Keeping color-coded folders, writing in a weekly planner, storing pencils in a carry case: these are all things you can do to keep yourself organized. Whether you do all of these things or have other ways to stay organized the fact remains that organizational skills help make our lives run smoothly. "I have color-coded folders for each class. It helps me for when I am in a hurry. I just have to look at the color and know which one belongs to each class," said junior Krista Keiffer.

For those students who are not naturally organized teachers try their best to help. "In Mr. Carmody's class you have to keep a folder with a table of contents for each chapter. It really helps me because when I need to find something I know exactly what page it's on," said junior Tashanne Brower.

Holt also has policies that are geared toward keeping students' schedules set. "The attendance policy makes sure that everyone gets to class on time. It's kind of strict but it's good for the people who are late all the time. It helps to keep them in check," said senior Betsy Bacon.

Overall, being organized in high school might make the adjustment to moving out and going on to college or the workplace easier. Still, for many Holt students chaos is a way of life.

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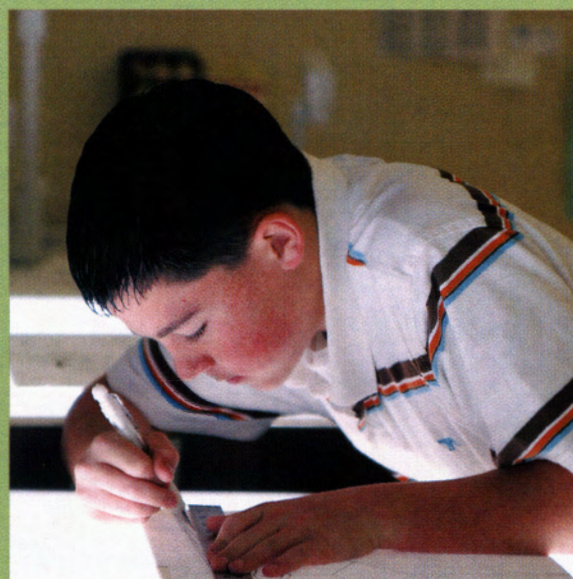
**Many committed fans attend almost every home and away football game. The students all sit together and cheer for another Ram victory. They do cheers and other rituals to make the game more fun. Photo by Jessica Hayes**







The varsity dance team waits patiently for their music to begin. The dance team was always prepared to entertain the crowd during basketball and soccer half times. "In dance team, it's really hard to have everyone stay in-step together. It takes hard work and practice to be good," said senior **KaLee Henderson**. Photo by Kacie Dittenber



Trying not to make a stray mark, sophomore **Corey Leonard** works on a project for his Graphic Design class. "I like free hand better. When I see something that I like I draw it and if something needs to be added, then I add it," said Leonard. Photo by Jake Bonotto



In order to talk strategy, sophomores **Amanda Hayes** and **Kourtnei Egger** with senior **Katy Bryant** huddle in close during a time out. "Basketball is fun, it keeps you in shape, and takes up time," said Hayes. Photo by Meagan Woodworth



After the band's light show/senior show, senior **Michelle Johnson** stops to enjoy the moment. This was the first year that the band combined the senior show with the light show and it turned out to be a great success. "That night a lot of funny memories were made," said Johnson. The seniors dressed up in costume in order to stand out.  
*Photo by Jessica Hayes*



Every now and then there is a little bit of....

## CHAOS

It's 7:30 in the morning and you are just getting to school. The bell will ring in five minutes and you still have to swing by your locker in the west wing and then get all the way to the south side of the building in time for first hour. You run through the halls in order to get to class on time because if you receive one more tardy you will be dropped. Arriving at class with not a minute to spare, your cell phone goes off as soon as you step inside the door. Now you're in trouble.

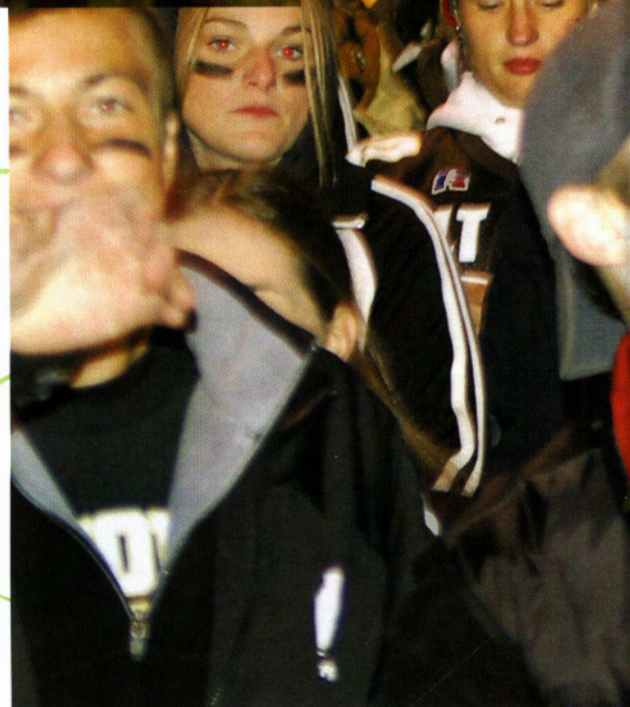
No matter how hard we try to avoid days like this, they still happen. There are always going to be the unexpected and unpredictable moments. That's what makes life chaotic.

"Sometimes you just have to deal with things day by day and just go with it," said senior Ben Phinney. Whether or not you are the type of person who goes with the flow chaos is not necessarily a bad thing.

"Tech Society is chaotic but never boring. Doing the same thing every day would be mundane and not fun at all," said senior Farran Clark. Working with Tech Society, Clark constantly had to adapt to unpredictable challenges that arose backstage during performances.

Good or bad students have to realize that some things in high school - and in life - are just plain unpredictable and full of chaos.

Somehow, there is always a balance between organization and chaos, making our day to day lives organized chaos.



Passing out candy and showing the student body and parents who they are the JV cheer team enjoys the Homecoming Parade. Cheerleaders pump up the crowd, which is vital for the players in the game because they have fan support and they love it. "Our student section is awesome. I really like cheering at the games," said sophomore **Anna Krycinski**. *Photo by Kevin Judy*





One of Holt's most dedicated fans, senior **Richie Farran**, cheers for the Ram's during the Grand Ledge Football game. "I love sports. I know the players so it's more fun," said Farran. Farran is joined by seniors **Bruce Pettit** and **Devin Montague**. The Rams won the final game 24 - 14 to end the season undefeated. *Photo by Stephanie Mathers*



# PEOPLE







OUT OF CONTROL

CrAZY



WILD



Trying hard to concentrate, senior **THOMAS KROLL** and junior **SYDNEY BALIS** attempt to work in the commons. "I am constantly trying to balance school work and a job. I always work weekends and that leaves little time for my friends," said Baylis. Photo by Megan Schallau

# INSANE

Balancing a day's worth of materials, junior **PHIL VIGES** attempts to open his locker without losing his grip on everything. Because students were not allowed to carry backpacks throughout the day, many students found themselves with heavy loads to carry from class to class. Photo by Megan Schallau



# DYSFUNCTION

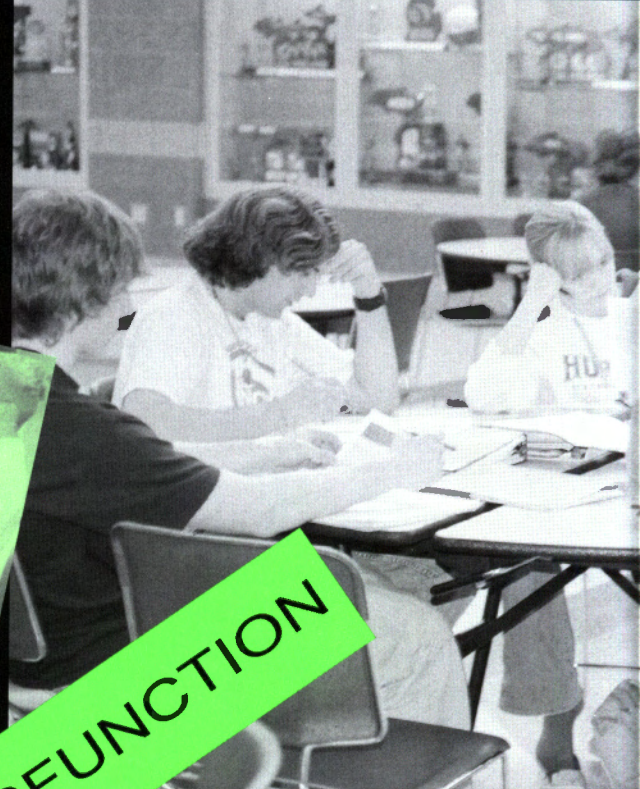
## STUDENT CHAOS

by Megan Schallau

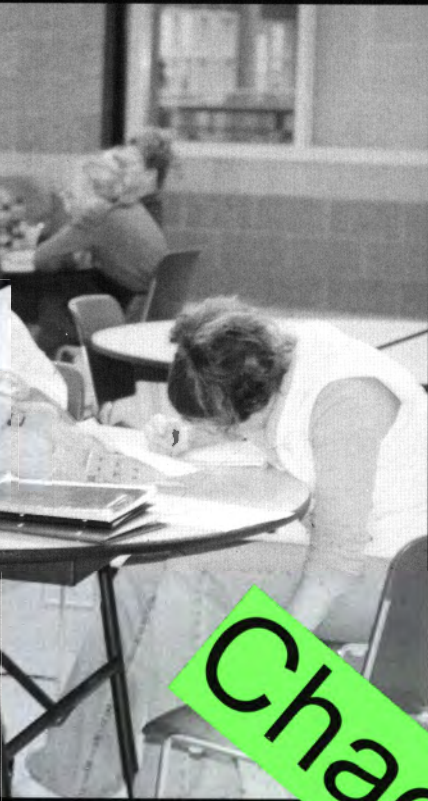
High school students are constantly dealing with life's chaos. Between balancing school, homework, sports, a job and other extra curricular activities it can be very stressfull.

"It kinda of helps to handle the chaos of life when you don't have one to begin with, but that can be stressful in itself. I spend alot of time doing homework because I always have things overlapping. I do value my sanity so I try my best to space things out," said junior **PHILLIP VIGES**.

Some students thrive off of procrastination and an unpredictable lifestyle. "I always procrastinate, my friends and I brought our laptops to a Super Bowl party so we could finish our math projects that were due the next day. It just works for me, but it can be frustrating sometimes," said junior **MOLLIE BALLMER**.







**Chaos**

Juniors **MANDY DOERR**, **STAVROULA KYRIAKOPOULOS**, **MOLLIE BALLMER** and **DANIELLE SMITH** try to finish up some homework during lunch. "I usually do work in the class before it's due. Procrastination just works for me," said Smith. Often students use the commons before school, during lunch, and after school to complete homework. *Photo by Megan Schalaus*

Waiting after school for sports practices to start, sophomores **JOSH WEBB** and **JESSICA BAKER** pass the time by talking. "I usually do my homework on the bus or in between my tennis matches. But I always seem to wait until last minute to do things," said Webb. *Photo by Megan Schalaus*

**Random**

# Match the

## MESSY locker

by Kaylee Hunt,  
Kacie Dittenber  
& Megan Schalaus

At the beginning of every year each student is given his or her own locker, and it's up to them to decorate it, clean it etc. Some students at Holt choose to do just the opposite. "I can't help that my locker's messy it just happened. I have papers from 9th grade and a coat that's not mine," said senior **BRONSON WALL**.



Sophomore  
**STACI HALFMAN**



Senior  
**BRONSON WALL**



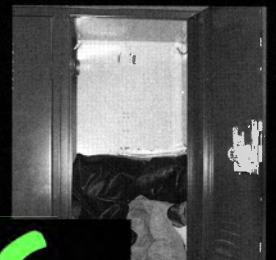
Junior  
**RYAN CADWELL**



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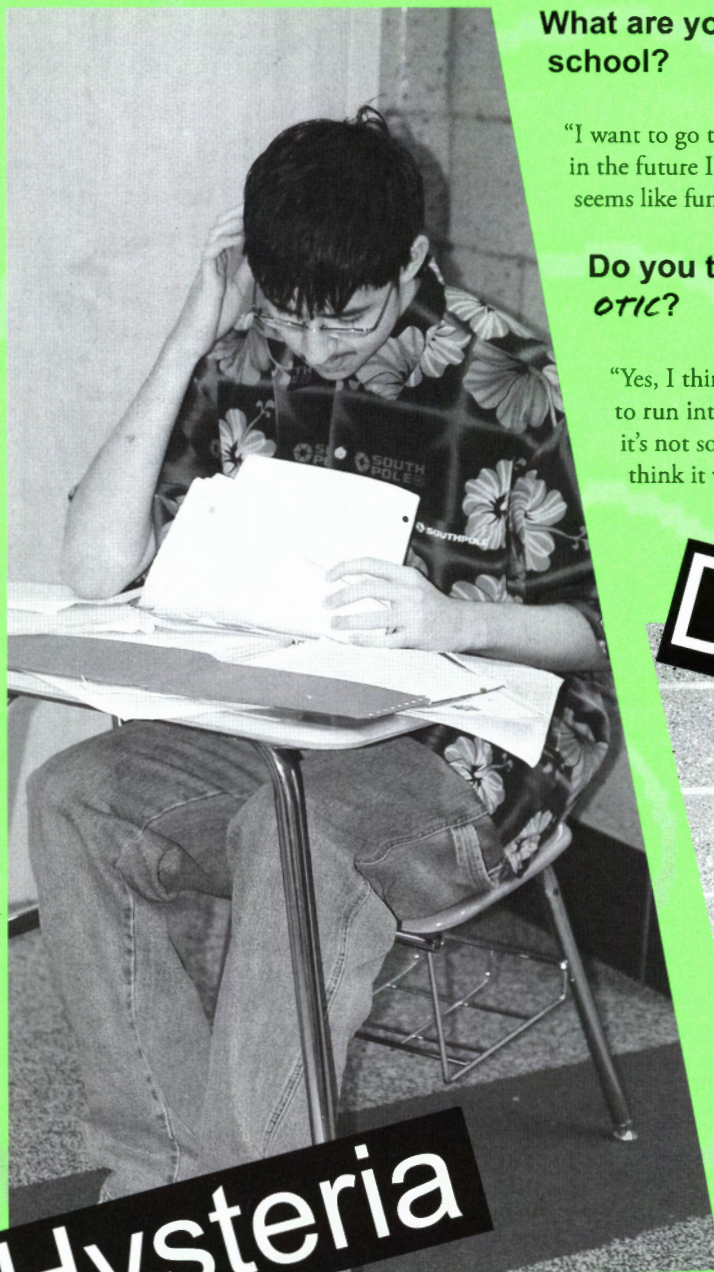
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# Getting through the *CHAOS*



## Hysteria

Does being *UNORGANIZED* work for you?

"It usually doesn't work but somehow I find what I need. I've lost essays, worksheets and all kinds of homework before."

**What are you doing to turn this around?**

"I try to keep folders for every class to keep things separated. I write down my homework assignments and keep a separate folder for it. That way I don't lose it."

- Junior *DONALD ZEPEDA*

**What are you planning on doing after high school?**

"I want to go to LCC to take EMT training and fire academy. In the future I would like to become a firefighter because it seems like fun and I like the hours."

**Do you think being a firefighter is *CHAOTIC*?**

"Yes, I think being a firefighter is chaotic because you have to run into burning buildings. It's a dangerous job and it's not something that a lot of people would like to do. I think it would be an adrenaline rush."

- Senior *CODY LOO*

## Disaster









# SENIOR MOMENTS

by Justine Kozlina

## What's your favorite thing?

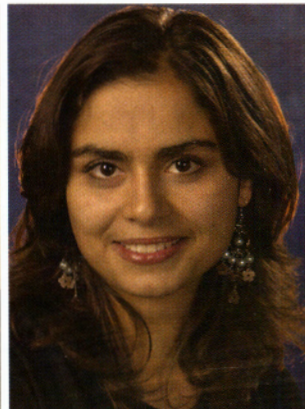
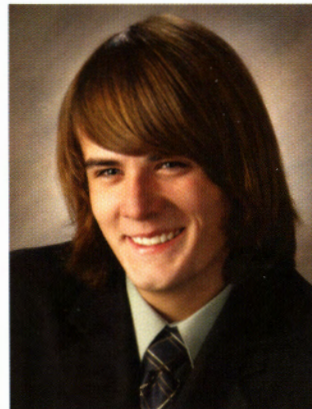
"All the different classes you can take and knowing that this is your last year you'll be with your friends and doing the high school thing."

Megan Van Every



"I really enjoy being able to take classes that I like and the atmosphere this year creates in general. It seems like it is just a lot of good times with your friends."

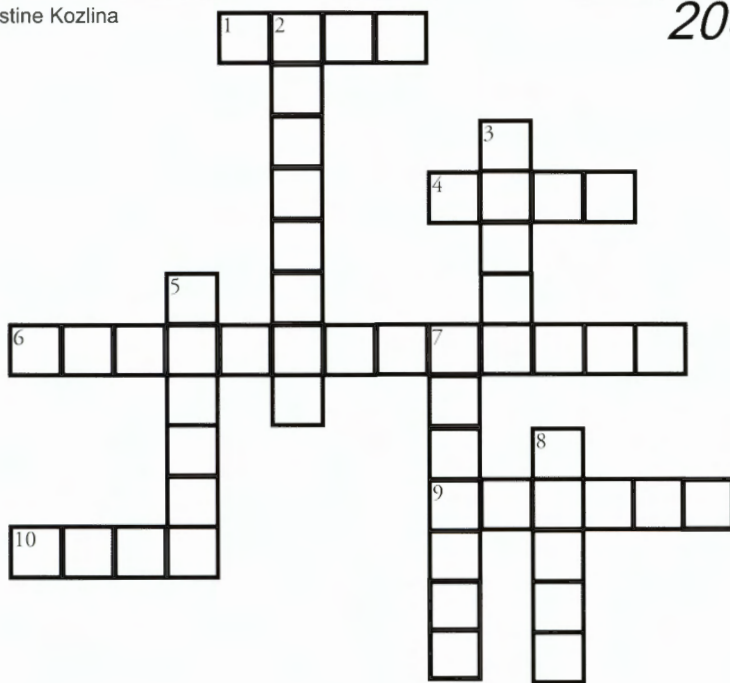
Katie Shaw



# SENIOR CROSSWORD

by Justine Kozlina

2006



### Across

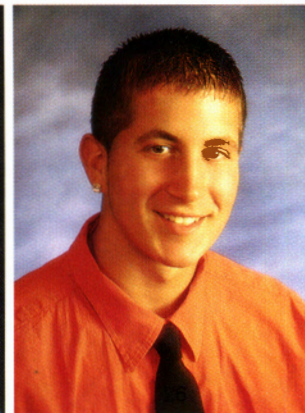
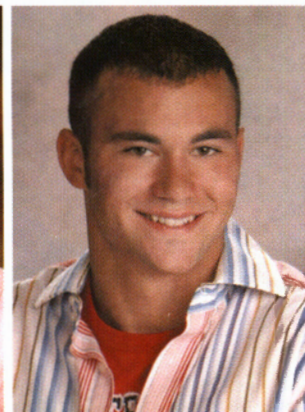
1. Many seniors look forward to dressing up for this dance.
4. Megan Mohr enjoys "sleeping in while juniors take the \_\_\_\_\_."
6. "The \_\_\_\_\_ have a lot to learn."  
-Laura Wilke
9. The class \_\_\_\_\_ are blue and silver.
10. What is the class flower?

### Clues

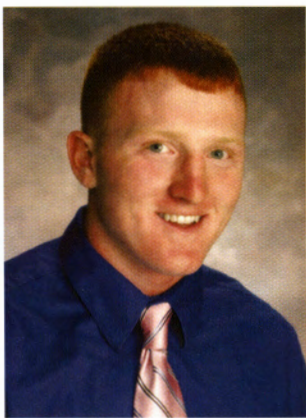
### Down

2. Good \_\_\_\_\_ is the class song.
3. The class motto is by Dr. Who?
5. Tiffany Ziolkowski likes the idea of "knowing you get out \_\_\_\_\_ everyone else."
7. Many seniors enjoys these kind of classes
8. Senior \_\_\_\_\_ of 2006.

1. prom, 2. riddance, 3. Scuzz, 4. meap, 5. before, 6. underclassman, 7. slacker, 8. class, 9. colors, 10. rose







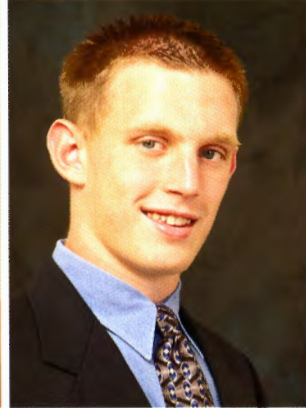
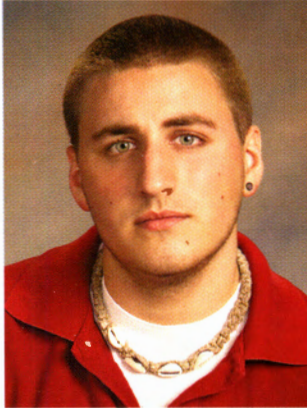
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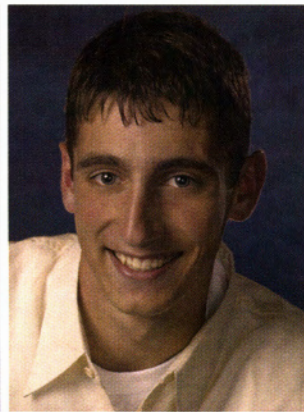
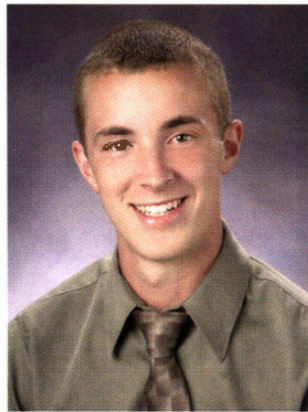
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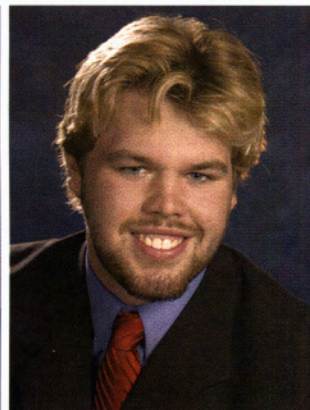
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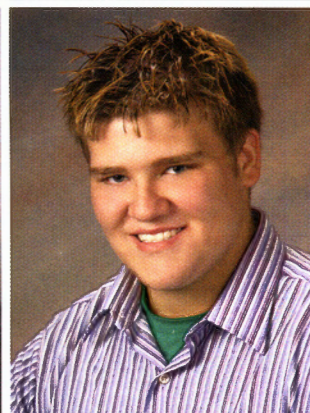
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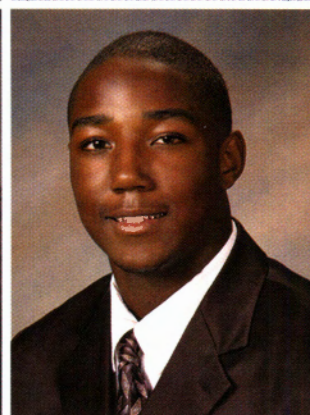
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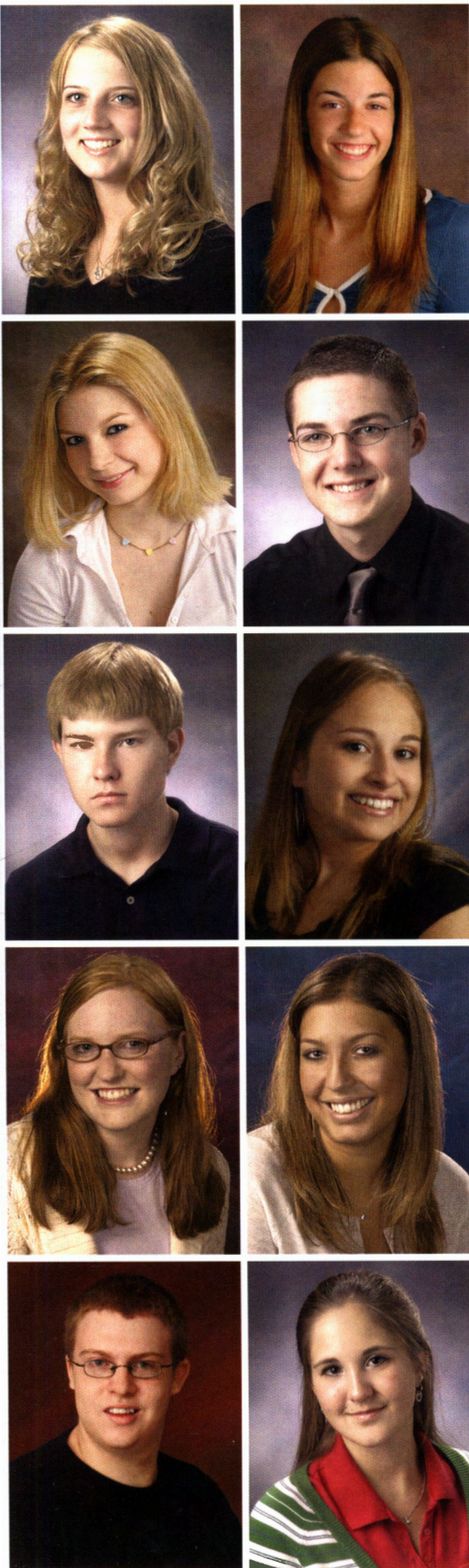
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# HIGH SCHOOL IS OVER

by Josh Munyon & Trina Rawlinson

## *So what's next?*

After four years of high school, it's finally happened: graduation. Now that it has finally come, what's next? Most Holt seniors choose either college or the military, and there are many reasons that influence this important decision. The military offers extensive job training and the opportunity for participants to show their patriotism. "Going into the Marines will let me fight for my country, plus I get to work with computers," said senior Andrew Sharrah. Many seniors chose college for job skills in a specific area of interest. "College is a good way to get the qualifications I need for the job I want," said senior Carly Holcomb.

# So WHAT DID YOU DECIDE?

by Josh Munyon & Trina Rawlinson

## *5 seniors say...*



"I chose LCC because its cheap, and it's close to home."

Breah Alward



"I joined the Army because of the influence from my cousins, and I want to fight for my country."

Ruth Weismiller



"I'm going to Eastern because I have a scholarship and they have the programs that I want for my field."

Steve Johnson



"I'm Going to the Marines for the action, and I want to fight for my country."

Clayton Sadler



"I want to go to MSU to get an education and become a millionaire because that's what Mr. Northrup told me to do."

Jennifer Therrian



# JOINED AT THE HIP...

by Sarah Turner & Kelly Hamelin

## Nate & Joey

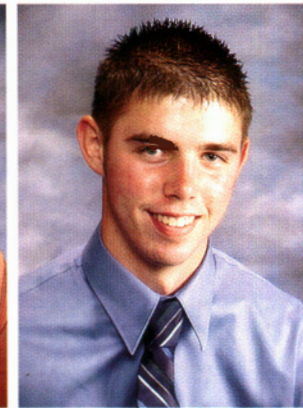
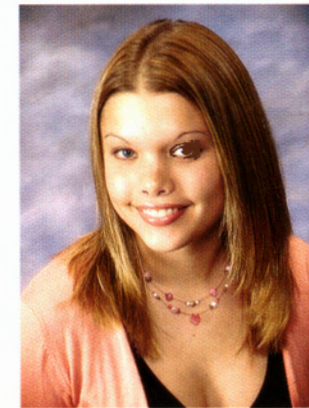
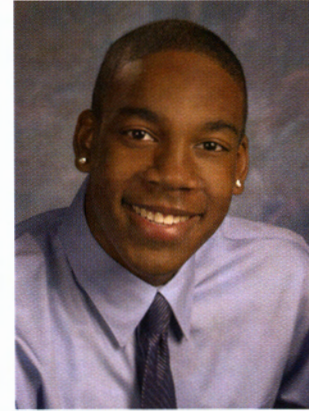
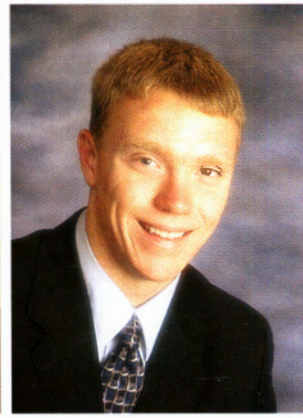
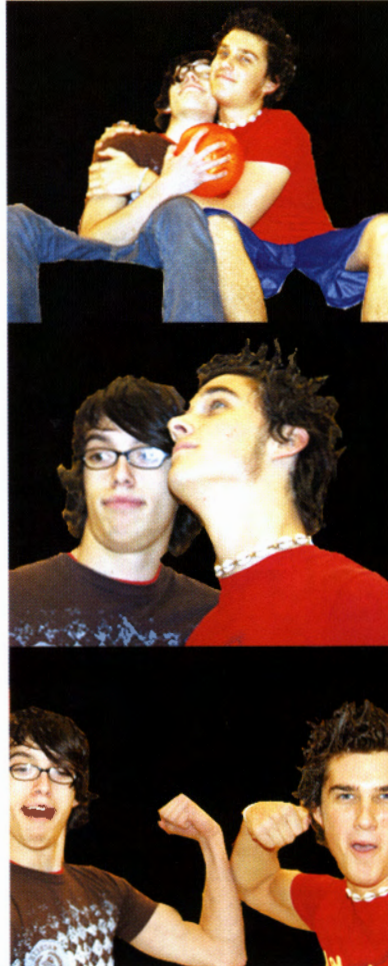
Friends come and go in everyone's life. There are those select few that stay around for, well, forever. We tend to refer to these people as our best friends.

Seniors Nate Wethy and Joey Krancich have been friends since the seventh grade. Oddly enough, they met in the doctor's office while getting tested for Attention Deficit Disorder. Somehow, they manage to balance and keep one another together throughout Middle School and High School.

"He is real cute and makes me chuckle," said Krancich when asked what he likes most about Wethy. "He understands my humor," Wethy added.

This year, it was unlikely to see one without the other. "I've always known both of them. When I met one, I met the other," said senior Ashley Young. Nate and Joey have shared many adventurous moments throughout the years - such as sledding without clothes on. It's those memories that will stick with them for years to come.

Young Joey and Nate show their excitement at school in seventh grade. "They have great love for each other; they're like brothers," said junior **Andrew Burgess**. Burgess is Wethy's cousin, and has known Krancich for years. "I remember the first time I hung out with Joey, because it was with Nate." *Courtesy Photo*







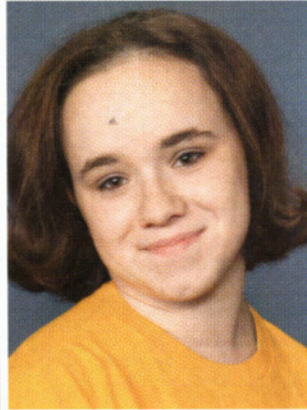
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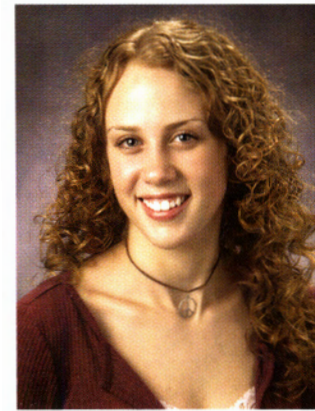
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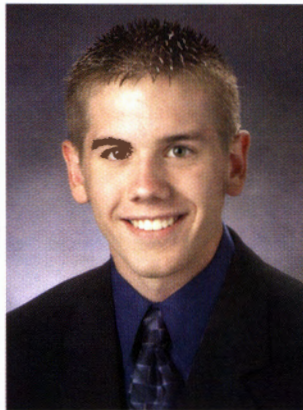
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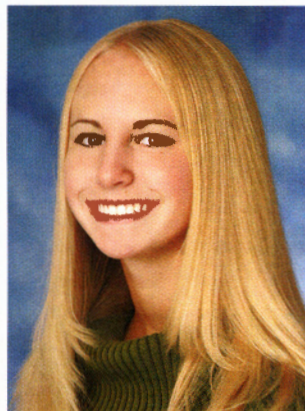
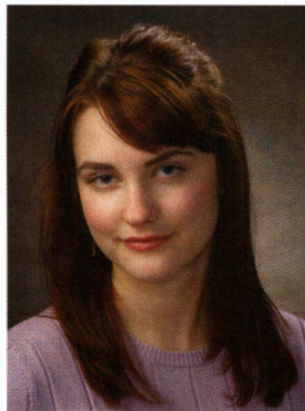
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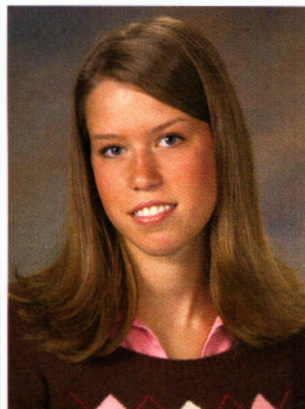
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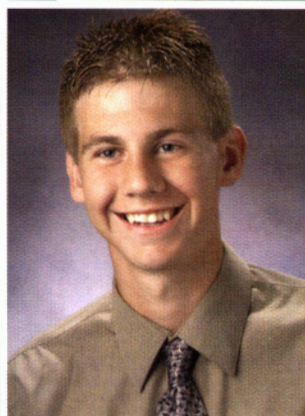
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# AN ASPIRING PILOT

by Brooke Darling

*Daniel Sanchez*

As a senior exchange student from Spain, Senior Daniel Sanchez has already started working toward his dream of becoming a Boeing airplane pilot. He follows in the path of his brother, who is already helping him master the skills needed, such as training with instructors.



"I've already taken a class with my brother and used the simulator. It was very exciting, especially when I was able to land the airplane," Sanchez explained. Sanchez is a quick learner and with only a two year course required, he hopes to become a pilot by 2009.

by Brooke Darling

## Q&A with Devin Montague



Senior Devin Montague talks about his dream of becoming a Network Specialist:

**Why do you want this job?**

"I've been interested in computers and the networking aspect since I was in Elementary School. I also like the troubleshooting and problem solving the job requires."

**Is there any certain schooling needed?**

"Depending on the employer, either 1-2 year associated diploma or a 3-4 year under-graduate degree."

**Which college should prepare you the most?**

"ITT Tech."

**Are there any specific courses you should take?**

"Any computer related courses like computer systems networking, telecommunications, computer and information sciences, general business systems networking, and LAN/WAN management."

**How difficult will this job be to get?**

"It will be difficult with needing at least an associates degree and starting pay is very minimal."



# WHAT WILL HAPPEN?

by Jessica Hayes

## Kirk & Mollie

For more than five years and six months, Kirk Trentham and Molly Montague have been together. The couple met at Washington Woods Middle School in the sixth grade during recess. On August 19, 2000, the summer before they entered seventh grade, they officially became a couple. Trentham and Montague enjoy spending time together by going to the movies, hanging out, and just having fun. "Kirk and Mollie's relationship is like glittering snow bunnies," said senior EJ Zaleski, a friend of the couple.



### What are your plans after high school?

Kirk: "We both plan on attending Michigan State University."

Mollie: "I'm going to MSU to study in Mechanical engineering and Kirk is going to study to be a pediatrician."

### Did your relationship have an affect on your choice of college?

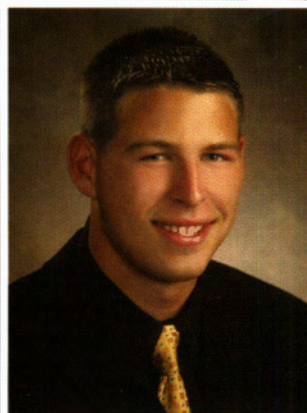
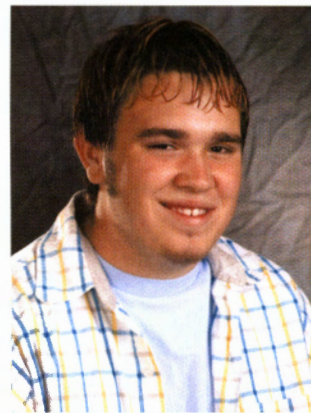
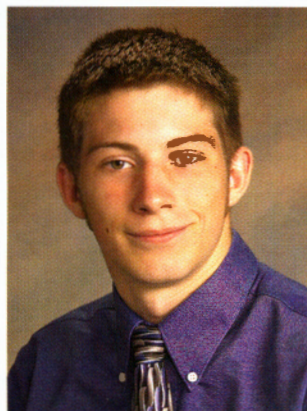
Kirk: "No, not really, but it did have some things to do with it."

Mollie: "We decided that we wanted to go there together."

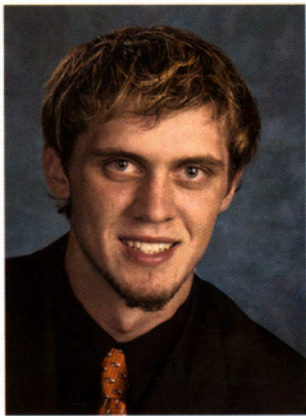
### What are you going to miss the most about being a couple in high school?

Mollie: "Meeting him at the flagpole after school."

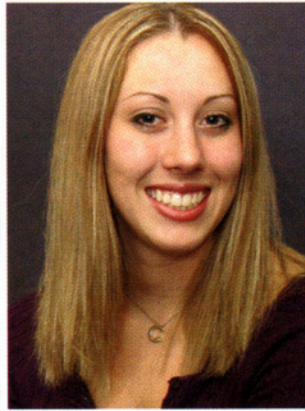
Kirk: "Walking her to class, but we are still going to be together."



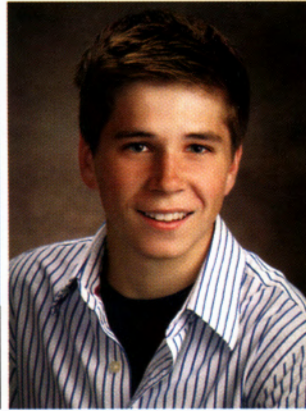




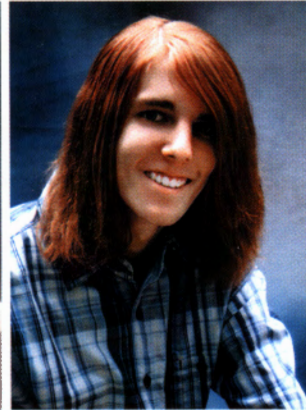
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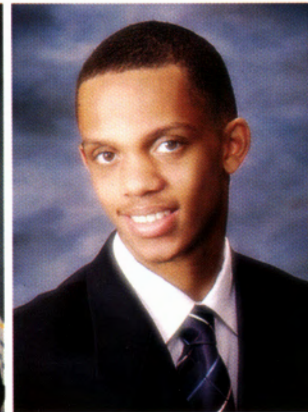
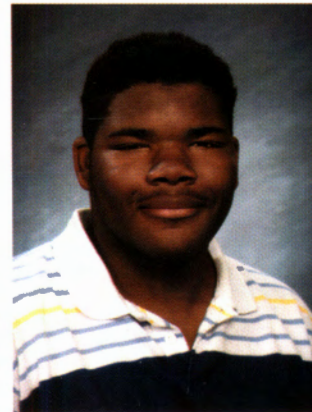
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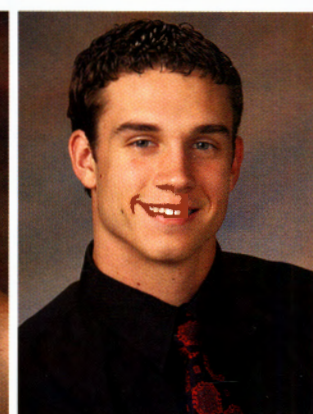
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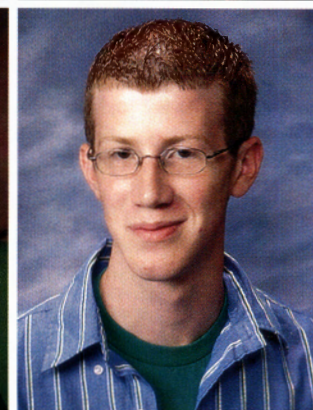
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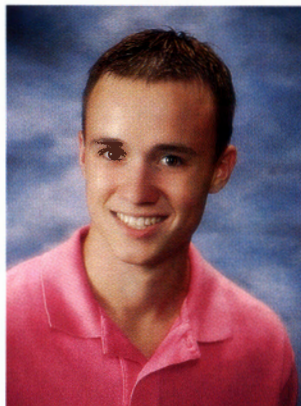
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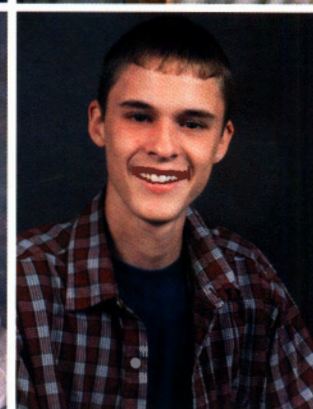
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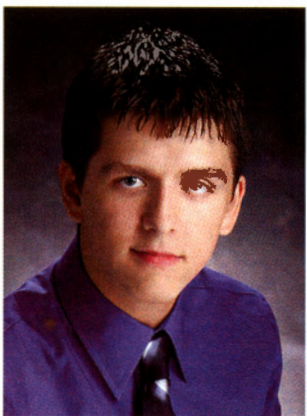
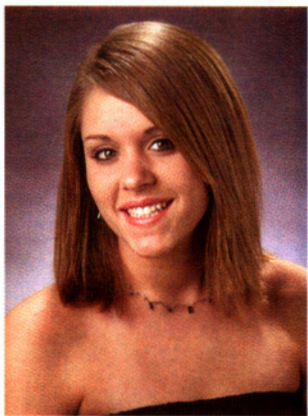
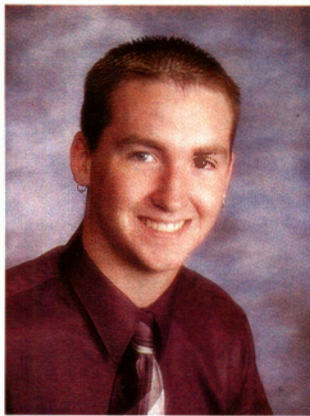
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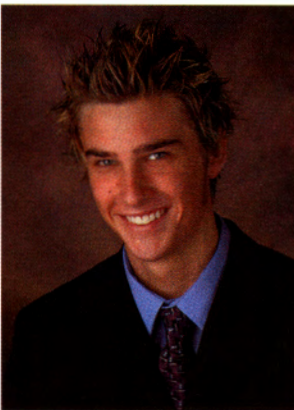
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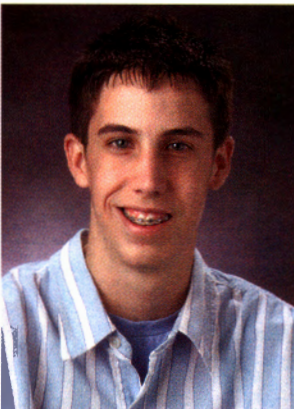
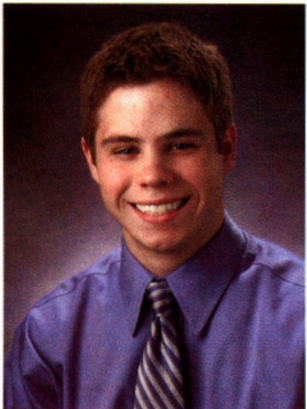




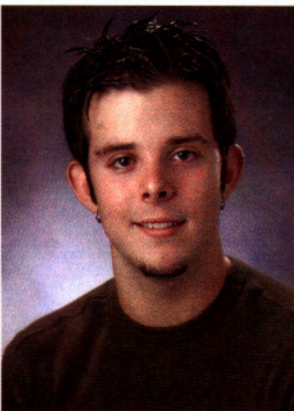
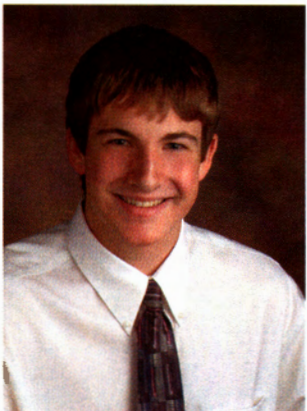
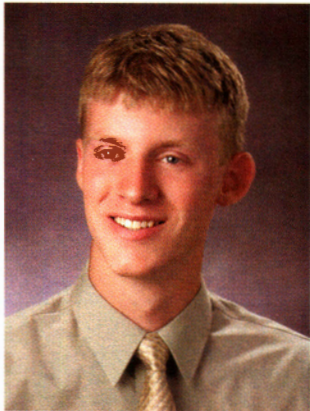
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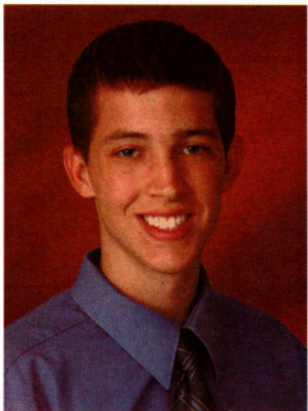
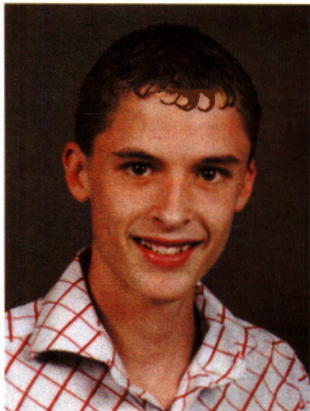
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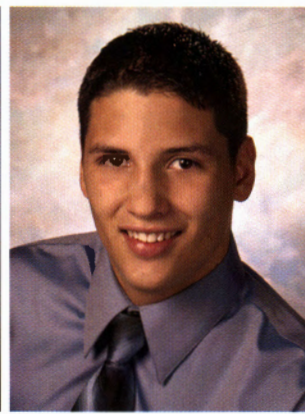


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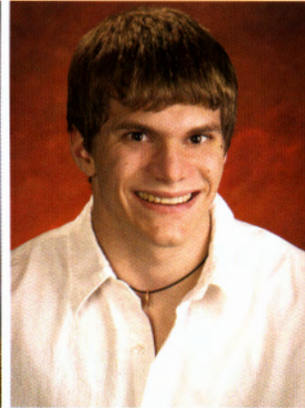
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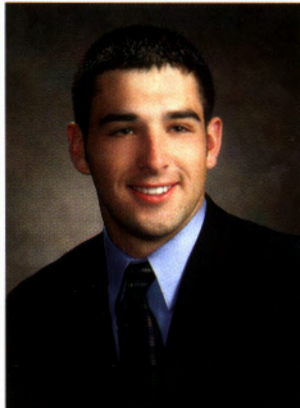
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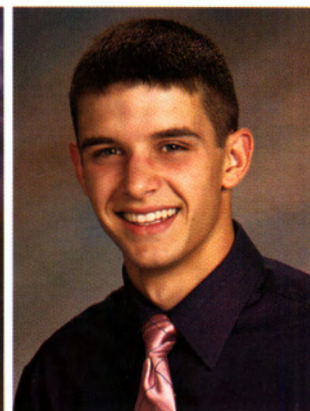
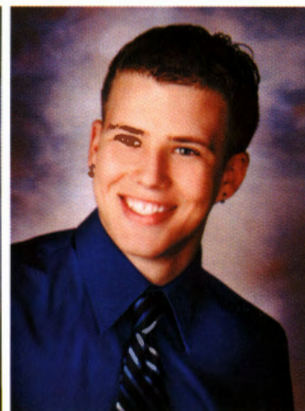
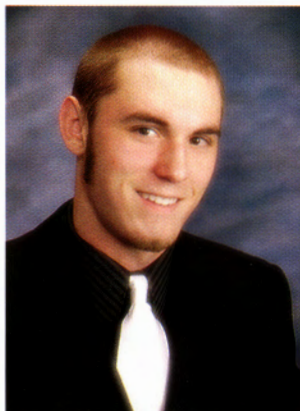
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# PREDICTING THEIR FUTURE

by Danielle Graham

## 5 seniors look ahead



"I am going to attend college in Florida majoring in music production."

Liz Tupper



"I will be watching the Red Sox win the world series again."

Jared Maynard



"I will be studying to be an anesthesiologist at Michigan State University."

Rachel Major



"I plan to go to LCC and then GMI school, to become a manager at General Motors, and to own my own nail shop."

Richard Nguyen



"I'll be twenty two and a nurse at a family practice."

Tawni Totten

## 5 YEARS FROM NOW

by Danielle Graham

### Where will you be?

When asked where they will be in five years, Holt seniors gave a wide variety of answers. In addition to the options at the right, traveling abroad, living with parents, married with children, and the military were also popular.

32%	Other
28%	Full time job
22%	Still in college
11%	Graduate school
7%	Hollywood

100 seniors surveyed

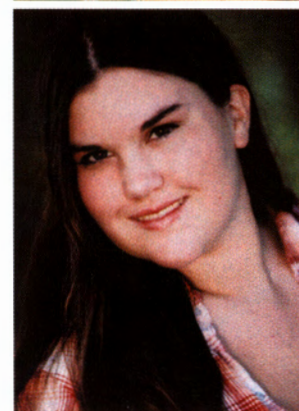
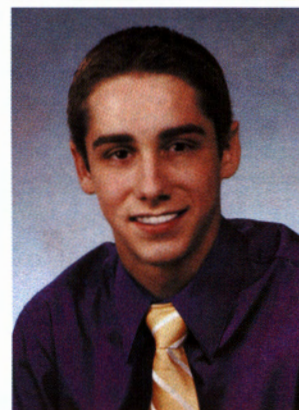
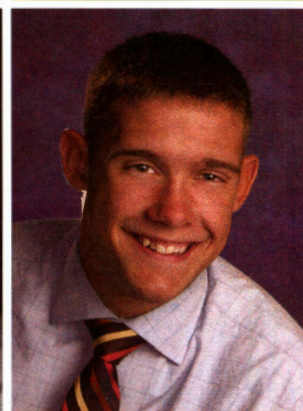
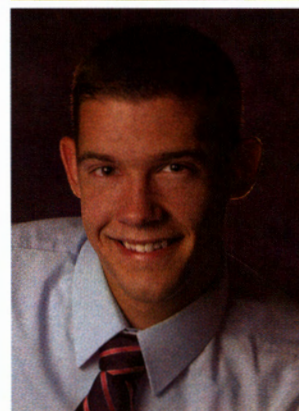
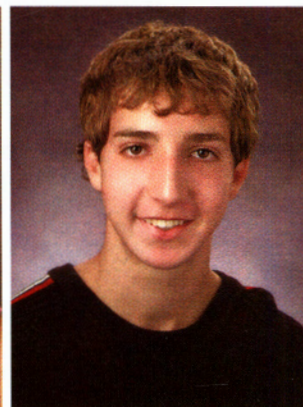


# KNOW YOUR MATE

by Sara Bullion

## The questions

- 1) What is his/her favorite food?
- 2) What is his/her favorite color?
- 3) What is his/her favorite store?
- 4) Where was your first kiss?
- 5) Where was your first date together?
- 6) If he/she could meet anyone in the world, who would it be?



# THE RESULTS ARE IN

by Sara Bullion

## Here are their answers

Seniors Lauren Lopez and Ryan Taylor see how well they know each other.

### Ryan said Lauren's...

- 1) Favorite food is cheesesticks
- 2) Favorite color is Pink
- 3) Favorite store is Charlotte Russe
- 4) First kiss with her was at her cottage
- 5) First date with her was at the movies to see 'Joe Dirt'
- 6) If she could meet anyone it would be Orlando Bloom

"I know for a fact that her favorite food is cheesesticks because she gets them everytime we go out to eat."

Ryan Taylor

Lauren's real answers: 1) enchiladas 2) pink 3) Charlotte Russe 4) At my cottage 5) At the movies seeing 'Joe Dirt' 6) Orlando Bloom

### Lauren said Ryan's...

- 1) Favorite food is Mexican
- 2) Favorite color is blue
- 3) Favorite store is American Eagle
- 4) First kiss with him was at her cottage in seventh grade
- 5) First date with him was at the movies to see 'Joe Dirt'
- 6) If he could meet anyone it would be Tiger Woods

"I knew I'd get everything right about him because I know him too well. We've been together for five years."

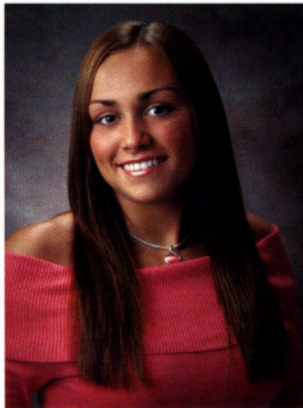
Lauren Lopez

Ryan's real answers: 1) navy blue 2) enchiladas 3) American Eagle 4) At her cottage 5) At the movies seeing 'Joe Dirt' 6) Tiger Woods

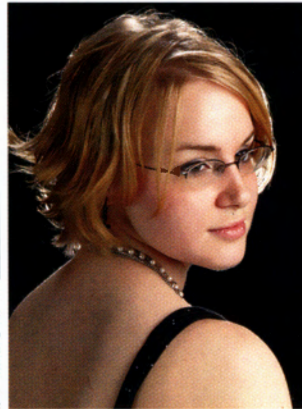
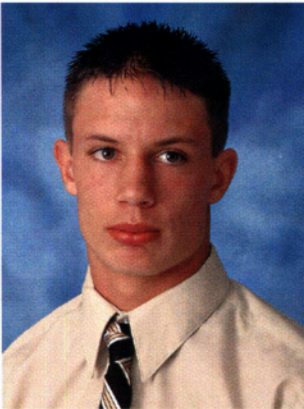




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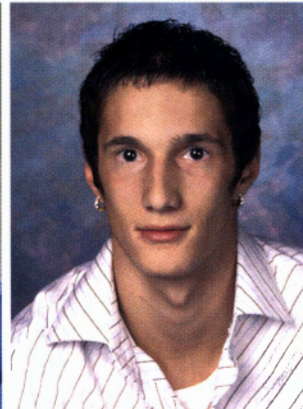
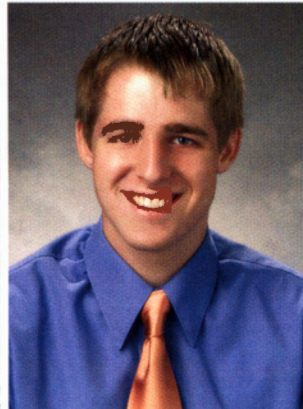
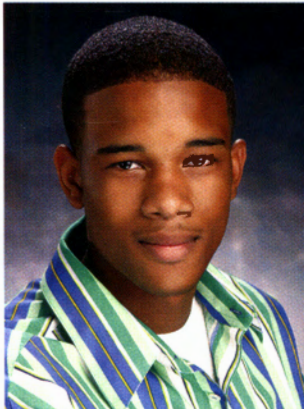
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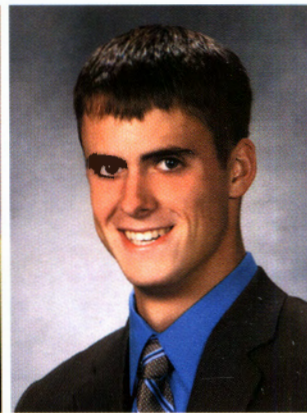
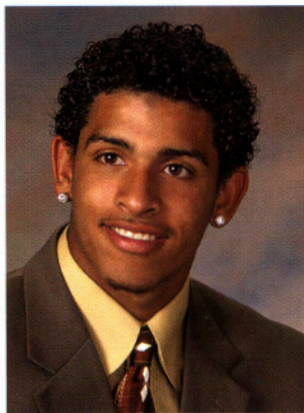
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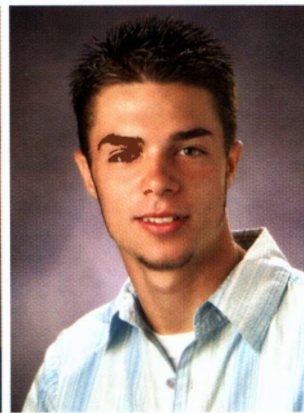
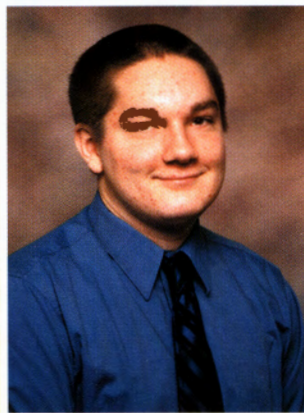
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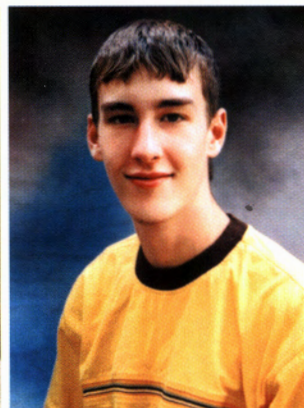
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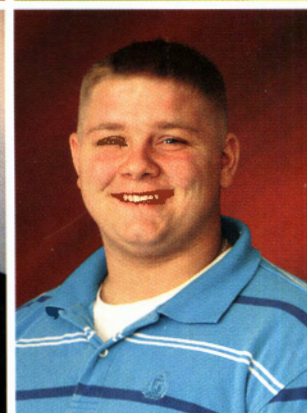
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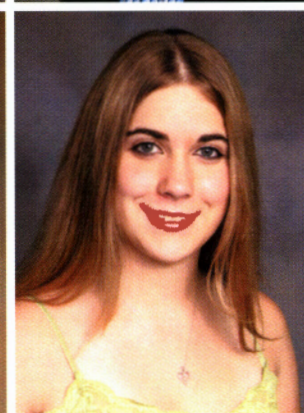
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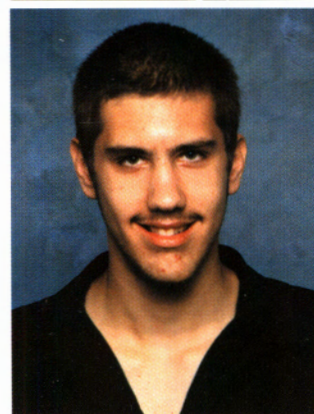
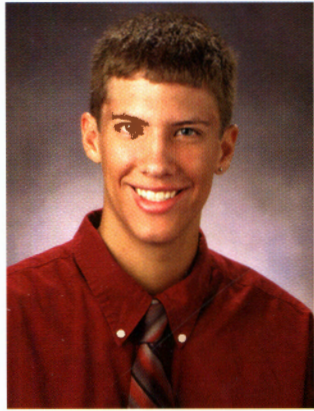
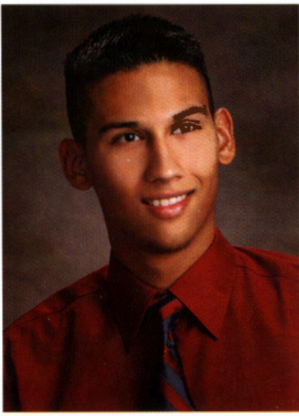
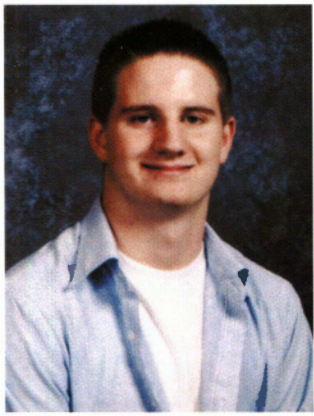
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# FAMILY TEACHINGS: Q & A

by Carmen Quinn

*Kadie Hein*

What have your parents taught you?

"They have always taught me to stand up for what I believe in and not to do something because everyone's doing it."

What have your siblings taught you?

"My brother always said to have standards without compromise."

What will you teach your children when you become a parent?

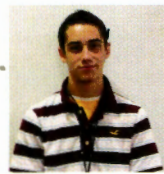
"Exactly what my family has taught me while I was growing up."



# FAMILY LESSONS

by Carmen Quinn

*What my family taught me*



"To be responsible and work my hardest in everything I do."

Bruce Pettit



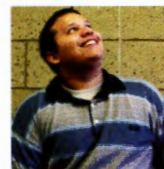
"The best thing I could come up with would have to be, to forgive and forget."

Brian Schultz



"To treat everyone I meet with respect, just like I would want them to treat me."

Shamarr Gearhart



"To do my best and make good decisions."

Tony Cuebas



"My family taught me to be myself and not what other people want me to be."

Markeese Booker



# MEMORABLE MOMENTS

by Sandra McCormick

## Highlights from 13 years



"When I fell off the log cabin at Wilcox and split my head open. I got three stitches."

Jeremy Overton



"Pictionary in German class."

Justin Franks



"Prom: it was the best thing to ever happen in school."

Marcus Pitts



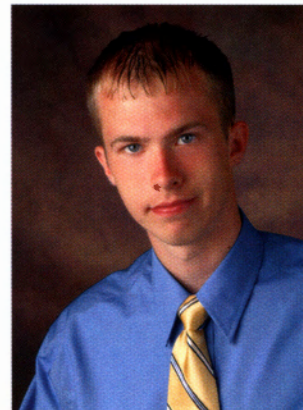
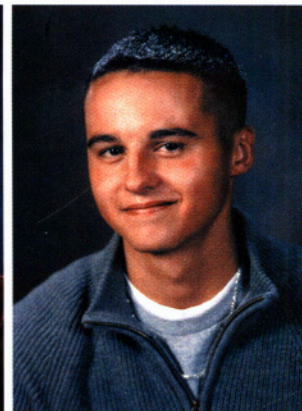
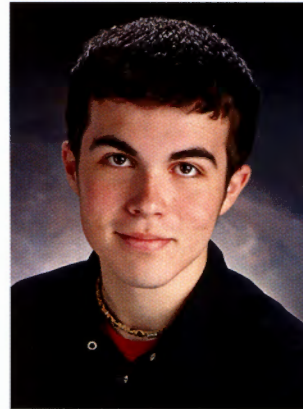
"Making it to (2005 Tennis) state finals and regionals."

Samantha Warner



"Hanging out with friends after homecoming and the whole week."

Travis Walter



# TWO PEAS IN A POD

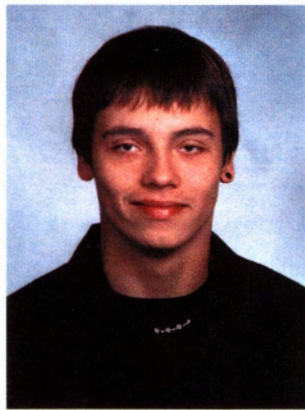
by Sandra McCormick

## Nicole & Tiffany

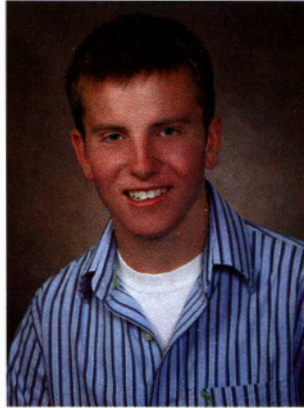
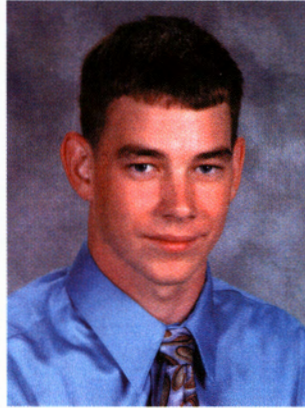
When you have been friends for as long as Seniors Nicole Meredith and Tiffany Royston, you end up creating many wonderful moments. "We used to race lawn mowers down the driveway," recalled Meredith. "Oh, and you had one that was green and mine was orange," said Royston. The way the two talk about the past it is obvious they have done all sorts of stuff from convincing people they are twins to getting stuck in a tree while sledding, and really just creating some great moments.



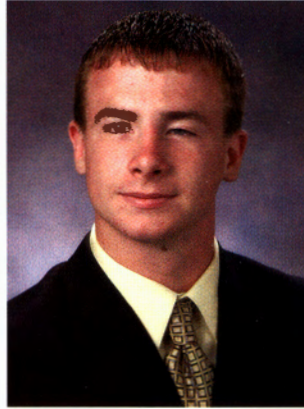




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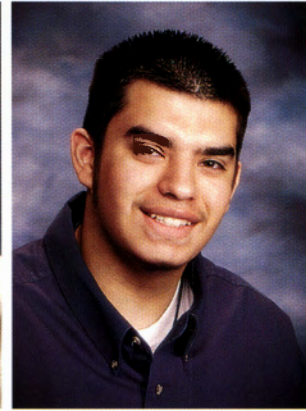
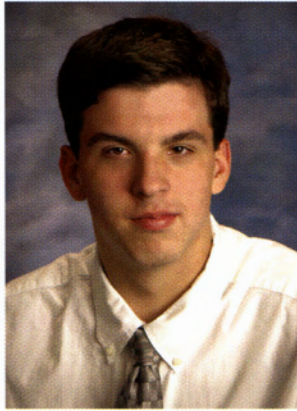
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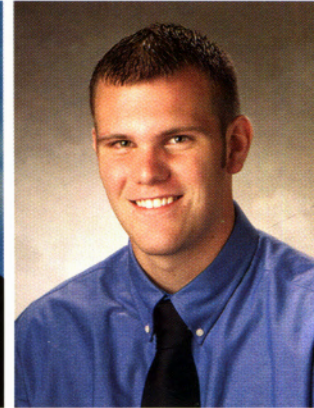
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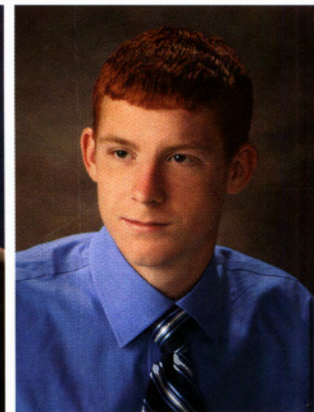
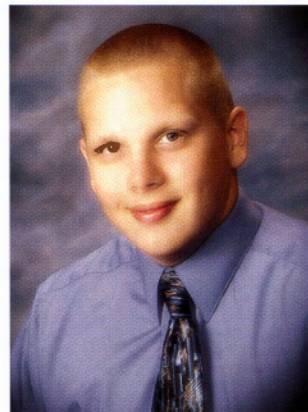
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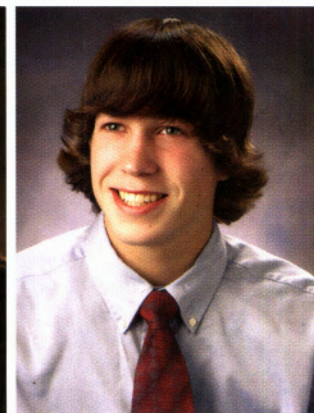
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# GET A CELEB LOOK

by Sara Bullion

## Jessica Simpson

Have you ever looked in a magazine and seen a celebrity with a look you adored? Senior Sami Byer got the chance to go shopping to find an outfit similar to what singer Jessica Simpson would wear to get her celebrity look.

"I just went to Charlotte Russe in the mall and looked at a picture I had of Jessica Simpson and tried to find an outfit that looked like the one she was wearing," said Byer.

### Why did you choose to dress similar to Jessica Simpson?

Because I like her style and thought it would be fun.

### What were your overall thoughts in the end?

I had a blast since it was like playing dress up. It was fun because people were staring at me the entire time Sara was taking pictures. I felt like a model!

- \* Boots: \$40
- \* Jeans: \$30
- \* Shirt: \$20
- \* Belt: \$15
- \* Earrings: \$6
- \* Purse: \$20

**TOTAL  
COST:  
\$131**

### Seniors Not Pictured:

Addiss, Jeremie  
Averill, Cody  
Ayers, Jessen  
Balk, Phillip  
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Blais, Bianca  
Booker, Markeese  
Bowker, Brooke  
Bull, Christian  
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Simons, Zachary  
Smith, Tavarie

Thomason, Evan  
Waidelich, Brandon  
Ward, Nicholas  
Wethy, Nathan  
Wilke, Laura  
Wood, Matthew  
Woodbury, Amber  
Yu, Bryan



# DEALING WITH STRESS

by Meagan Woodworth

## Stephanie Clone

Starring on the Holt Dance Team, junior Stephanie Clone danced up to 5 hours a day. On top of dancing, Clone is took Honors FST, Honors Chemistry, and Spanish III. In order to prepare for application tests, she took the PSAT early. To get accepted into an out of state college Stephanie plans to take the ACT and SAT during her senior year. "Drama with friends and my boyfriend causes me stress, but preparing, planning ahead, and keeping an organized schedule helps me deal with stress," said Clone.



# STRESSED OUT

by Meagan Woodworth

## Juniors vent



"Keeping your grades up so that you can get into a good college."

Joe IPena



"All the homework, test, exams, and teachers getting on my case stresses me out."

Mikey Badour



"Exams, and MEAPs are stressful and a pain in my butt!"

Ashley Schouten



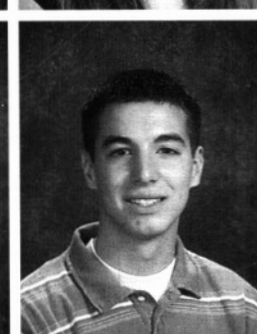
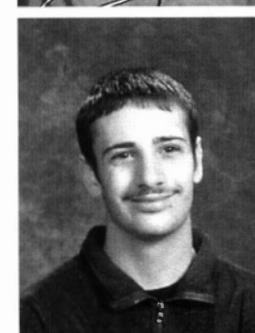
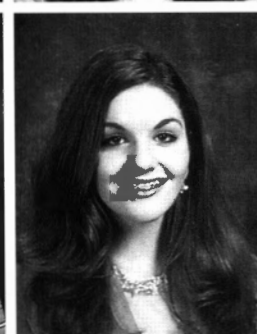
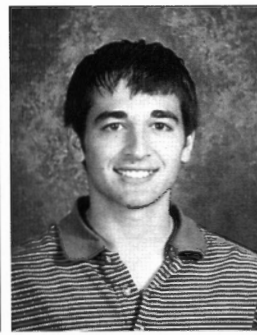
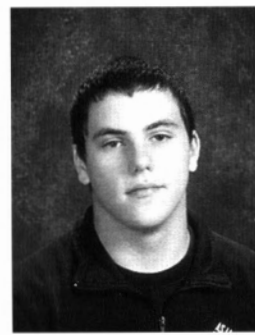
"Keeping my grades up stresses me out and as well as planning for college."

Cameron Salt



"Trying to do all of my homework before band practice."

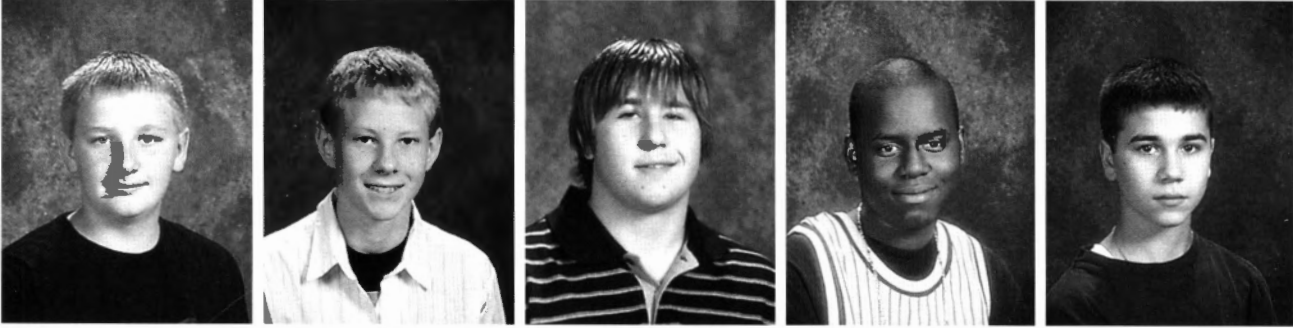
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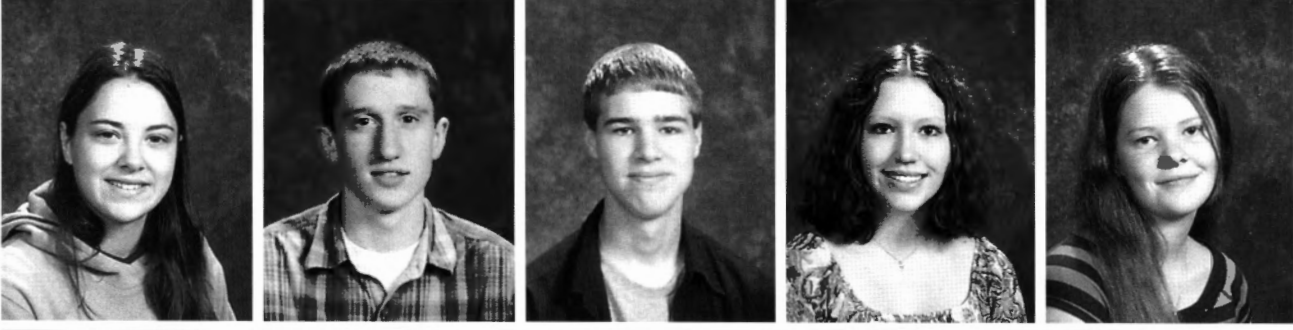




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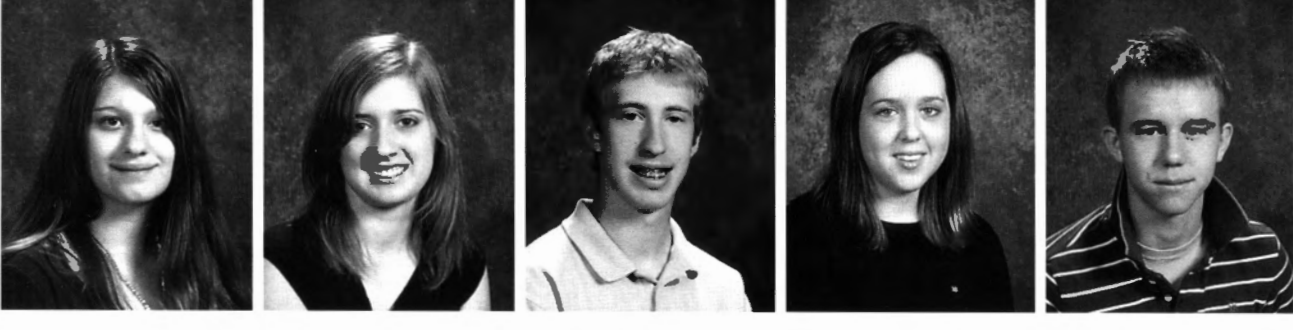
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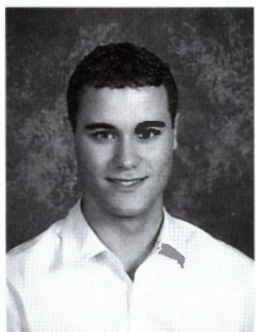
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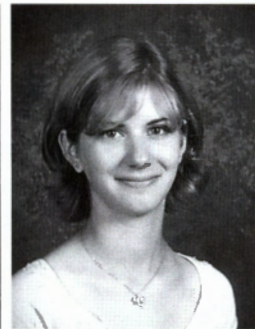
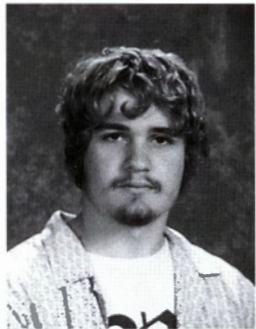
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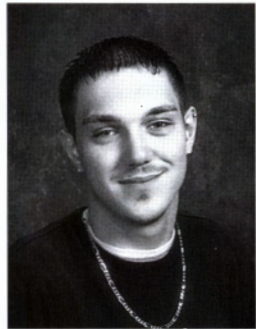
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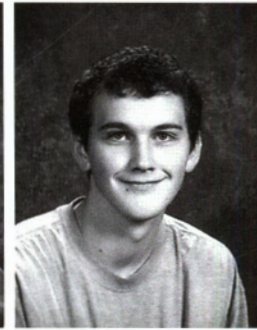
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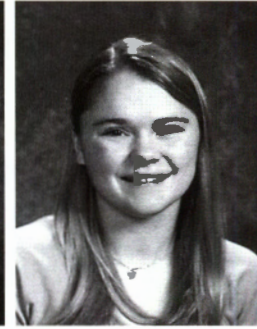
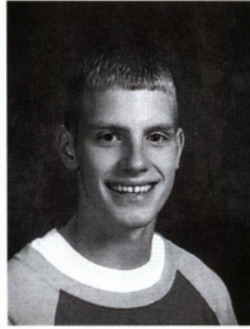
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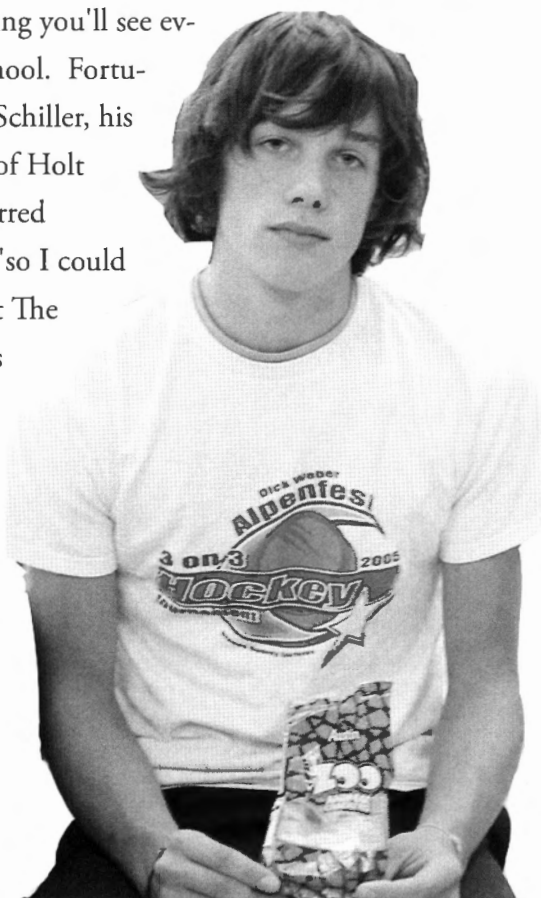


# GETTING TO KNOW

by Megan Schalaus

## Rob Schiller

New faces are something you'll see every year at Holt High School. Fortunately for junior Robbie Schiller, his face was familiar to a lot of Holt students. Schiller transferred from Lansing Christian, "so I could talk to Noah Steere about The Boondock Saints." Rob's friendly, charismatic personality made it easy for him to meet new people. "I already knew some people from Holt because I play hockey and participate in town festivities," said Schiller. Schiller had nothing negative to say about being a new kid.



### What is your favorite past time?

"I like playing guitar, sports, hockey, Saturday nights, eating food, cooking food, gardening, throwing things away, and catching were-wolves."

### What is your favorite food?

"My favorite food is Wheat Thins and whatever else is free."

### What do you like most about Holt High School?

"Mr. Gillett is a good time and I like Mr. Foy's Honors Chemistry class."

### What is your favorite band?

"My favorite band is Anathalo, it's not in any specific genre."

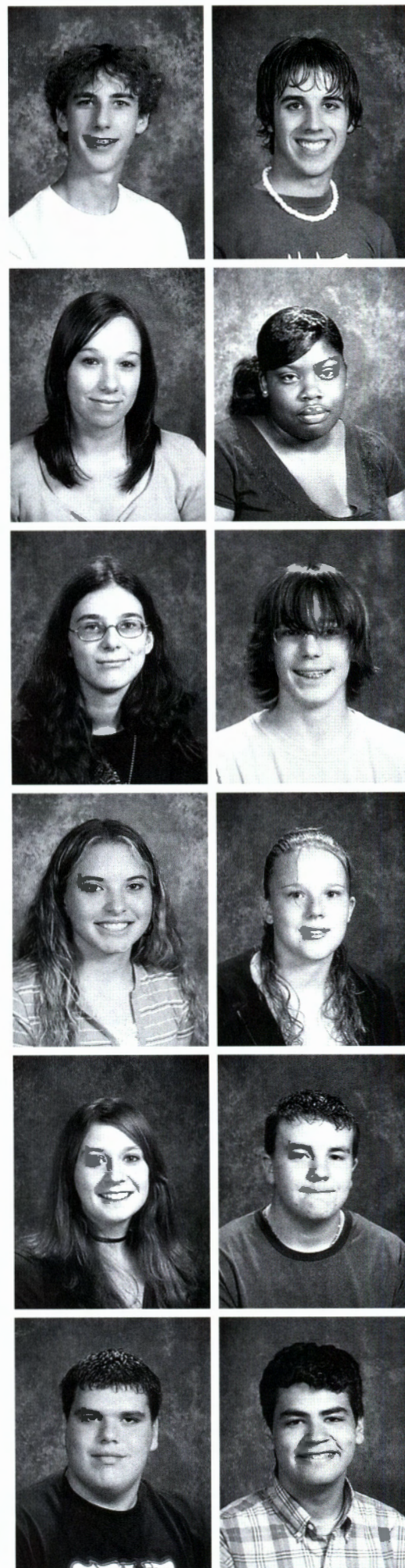


# HOW TO HANDLE CHAOS

by Lauren Siebert

## *Embarrassing moment tips*

- 1.) Act like it never happened, cover up all evidence of it happening, run away and then deny, deny, deny.
- 2.) Make people believe you did it on purpose and everything went according to plan.
- 3.) Laugh it off and don't dwell on it because everyone will probably forget about it by tomorrow and spread new gossip.
- 4.) Do nothing so you don't attract a lot of attention.
- 5.) Make a huge scene, throw a temper tantrum and make your self extremely embarrassed. Then move away and hope it doesn't spread.



# MISHAPS CAUSE MAYHEM

by Lauren Siebert

## *Embarrassing moments*



"At a dress rehearsal for *Anne of Green Gables* I went to pick something up when the seam on my pants exploded and ripped. I couldn't believe it."

Alex Freeman



"In elementary school my gym teacher was being the devil and wouldn't let me go to the bathroom. I was little and full of liquid, so I peed my pants."

Kristen Angonese



"I slipped down the stairs at school and hit my head on somebody's back. It was so awkward and embarrassing, I wanted to stay in my room for 80 days."

Phil Marlow



"One time in class I was trying to take off my sweat-shirt and my shirt underneath came up with it. I basically flashed the whole class."

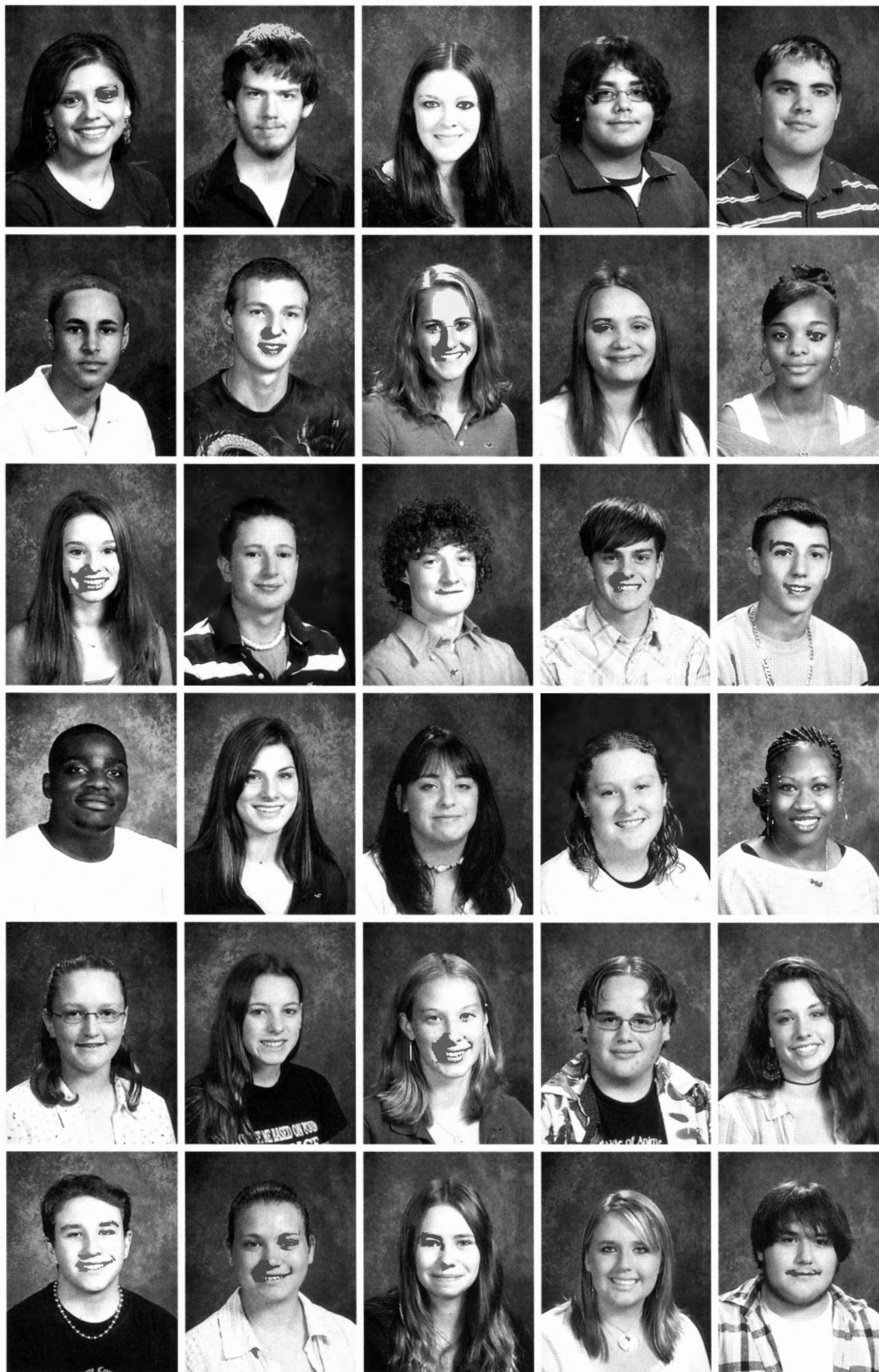
Kate Hamel



"When I was little the cool thing to do was jump over the side of the slide, when I tried I fell and smashed my face. I definitely wasn't a cool kid."

Miranda Kolb





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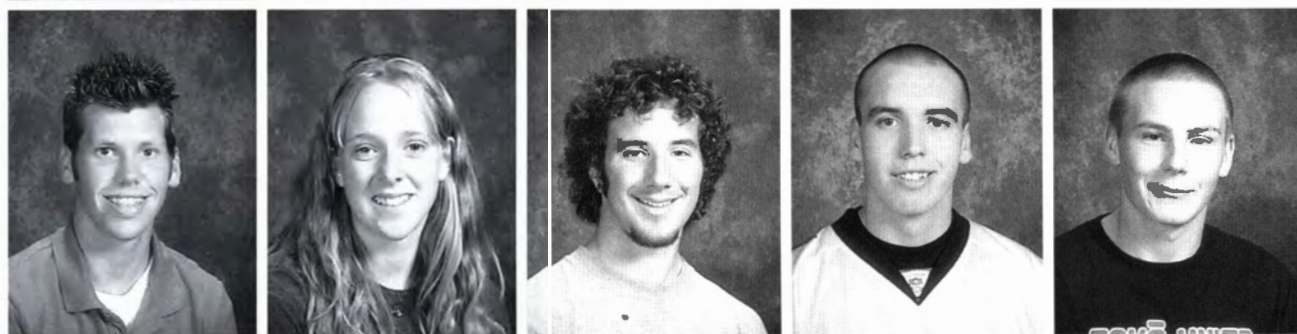
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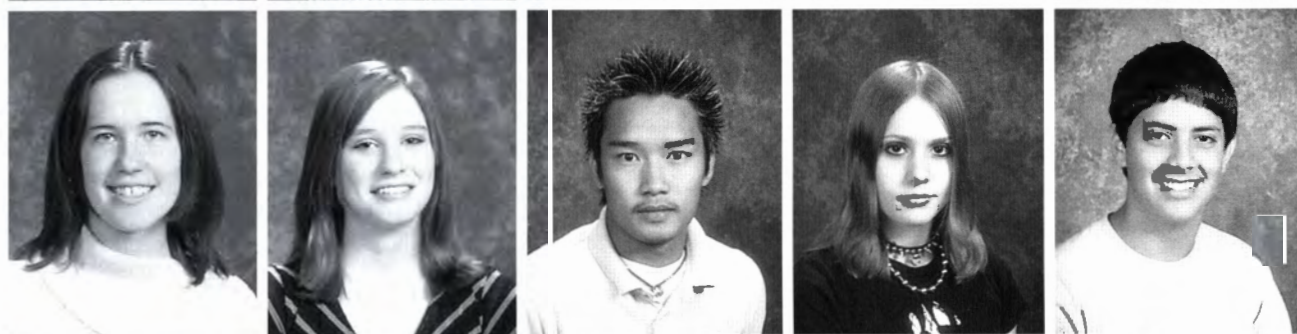
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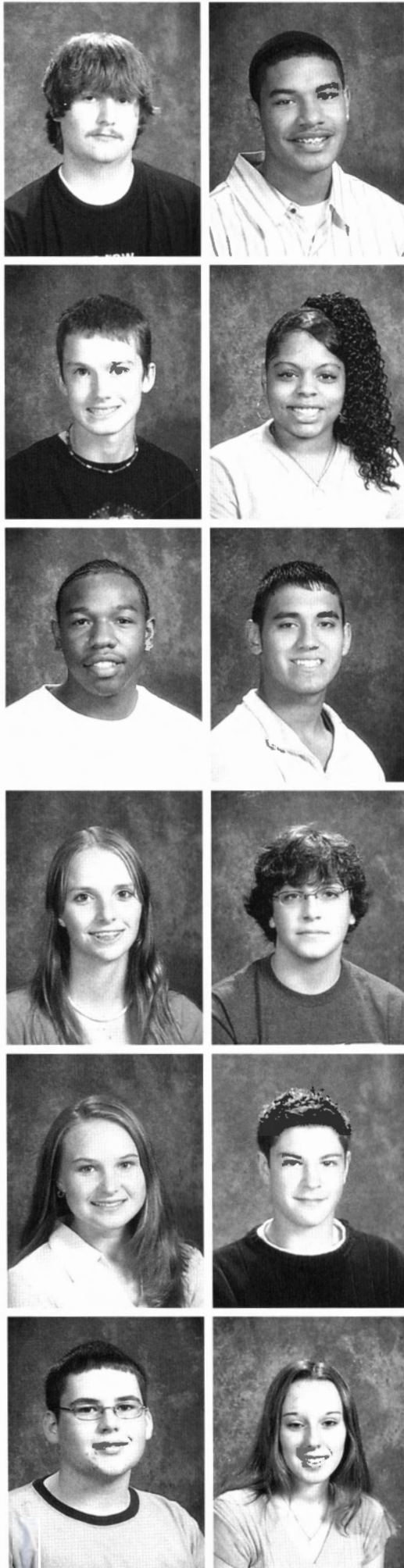
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# STUDENTS & THE ACT

by Kaylee Hunt

## *How well are we doing?*

22.6 Holt Avg. 04-05

21.4 Michigan Avg. 04-05

20.9 National Avg. 04-05

22.5 Holt Avg. 03-04

16.5 National Avg. 03-04

During the 2004-2005 school year, 211 students from Holt High School took the ACT. The ACT has four sections: English, Mathematics, Reading and Science Reasoning.

# HOW WILL YOU PREPARE?

by Kaylee Hunt

## *The ACT/SAT of 05-06*



"Well honestly, I don't do anything, so I'm just going to go in there and take it."

Josh Zietlow



"I already took the SAT pretest, so now I'm going to sign up to take the test. They give you a study book, so I'm going to study that."

Bridgette Griffiths



"I don't know, take a pretest."

Joey Murphy



"Just review every subject that's going to be on the test."

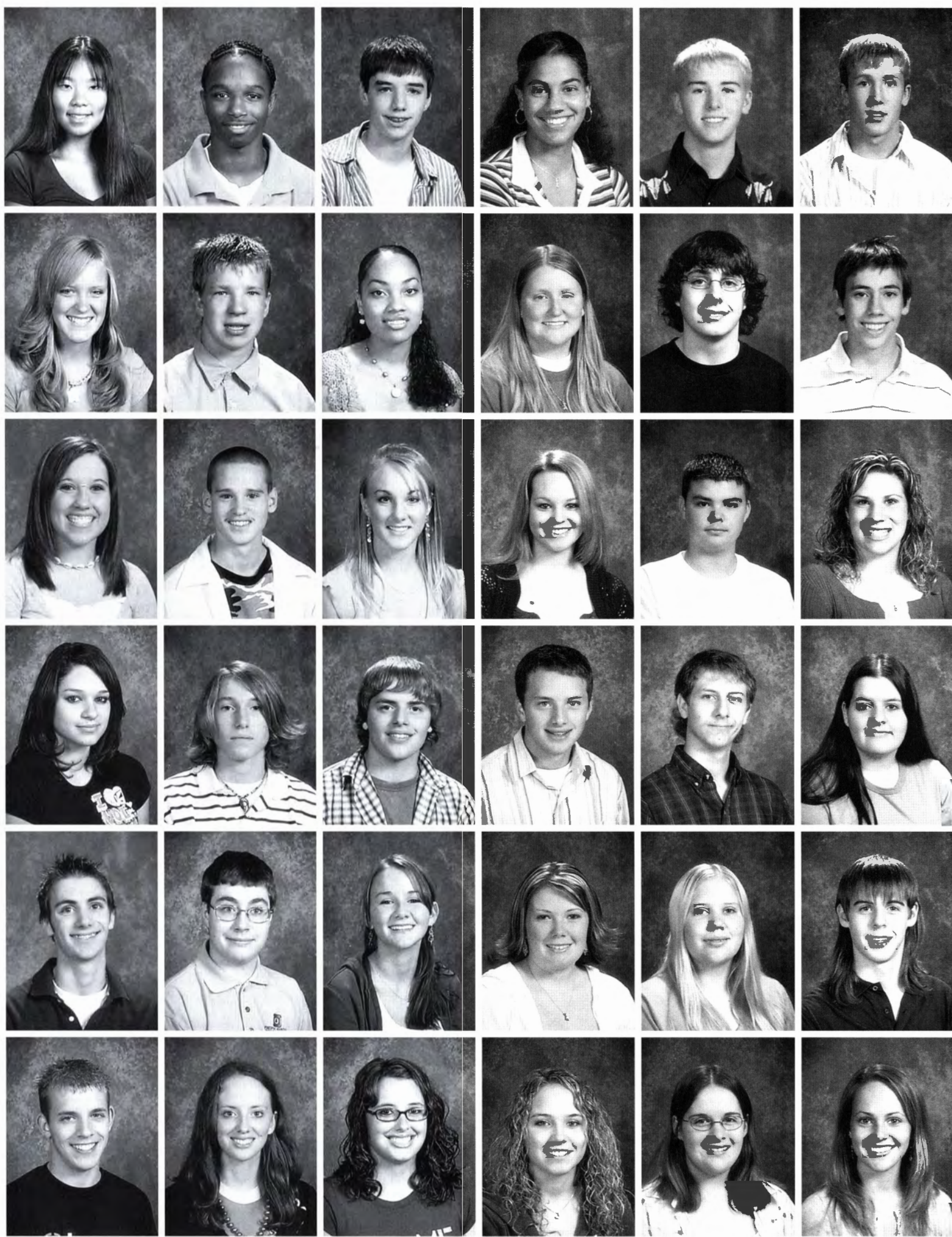
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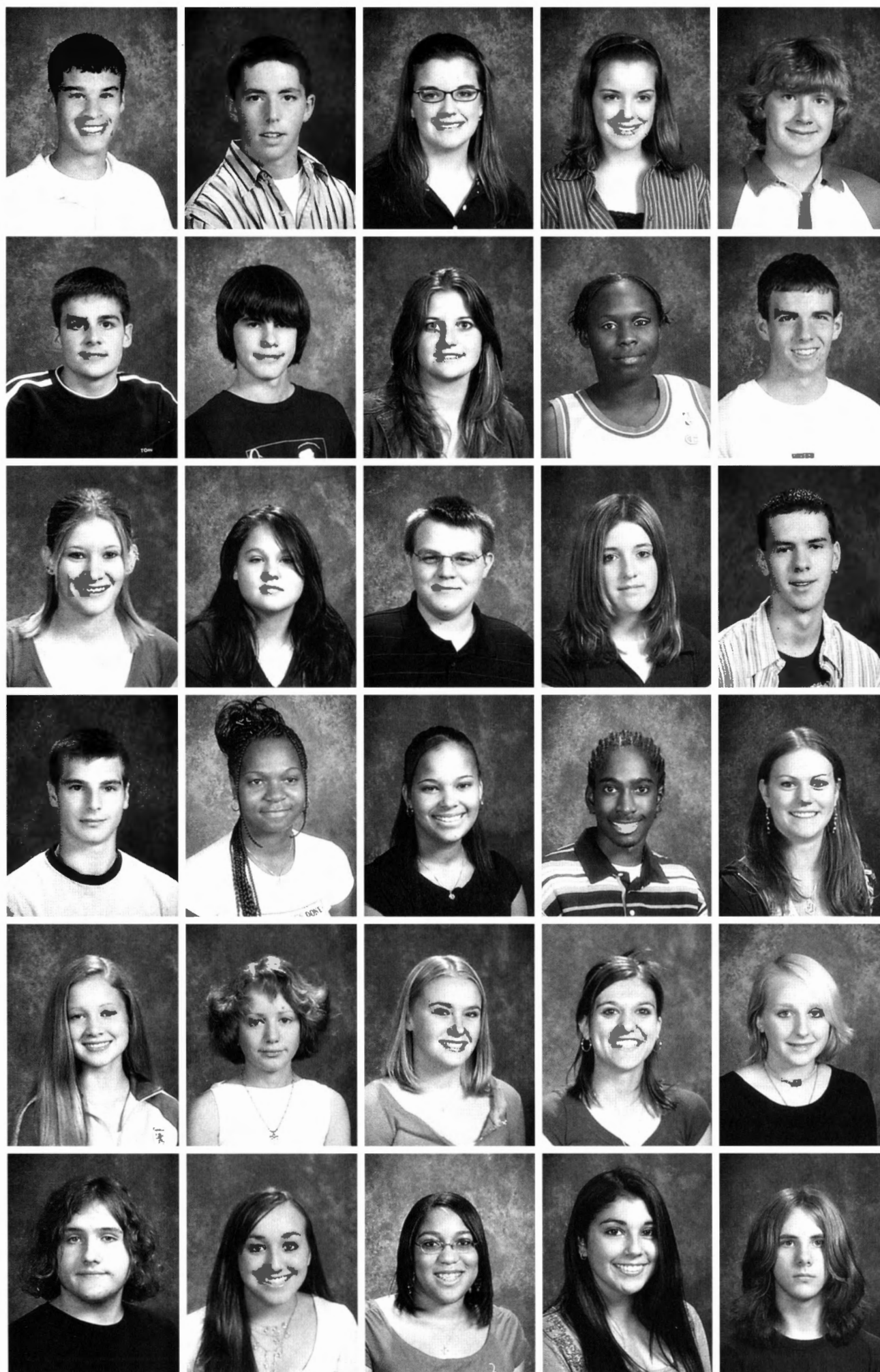
"Probably just study a lot."

Dan Casler









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# TOP 5 ESSENTIALS

by Brooke Darling

*Is your wallet stocked?*

- 21% Money
- 18% Driver License
- 12% Student I.D.
- 9% Library Card
- 8% Pictures

85 juniors at Holt High School were asked what the most important items they have in their wallets were. These were the top five answers. Other options included punch cards, receipts, ticket stubs, and gas cards.

# MATCH 'EM UP

by Brooke Darling

*What's in your wallet?*



"A penny that was run over by a train, senior pictures, a Holt season pass, and a Celebration Cinema card without money on it."

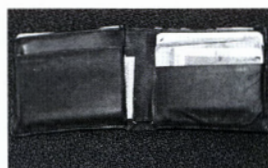
- Alex Allegreto

"My drivers license, a Big Screen movie card, a James Bond card, senior pictures, a spare key, and a Beaner's card."

- Alexis Meuche

"Pictures, money, a Speedy rewards card, a Kroger card, ticket stubs, my drivers license, and Brush-ups."

- Noah Steere

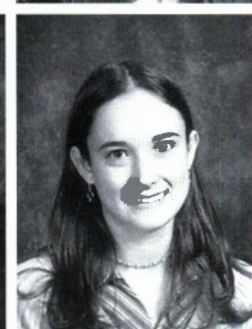
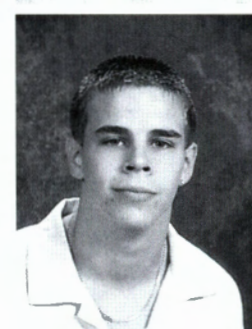
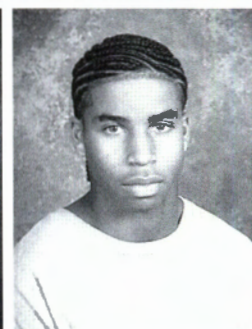
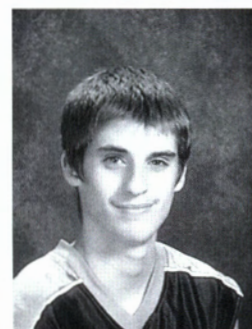


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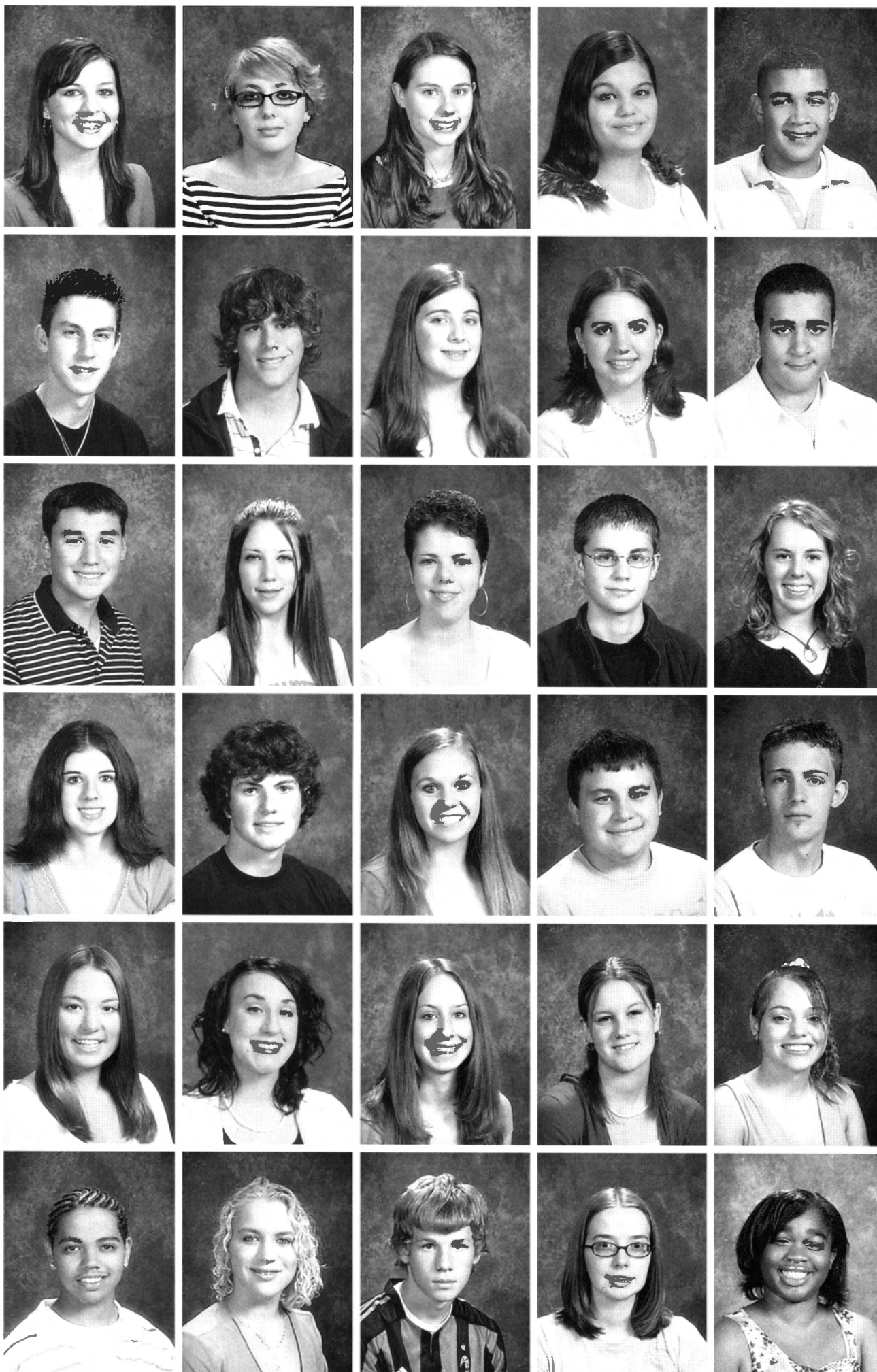
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Answers: A) Alex Allegreto's wallet B) Noah Steere's wallet C) Alexis Meuche's wallet







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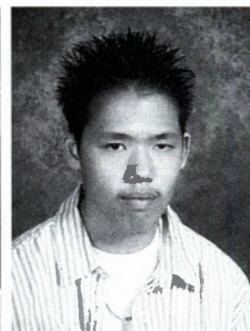
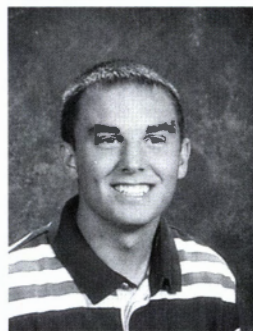
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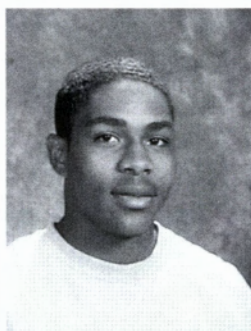
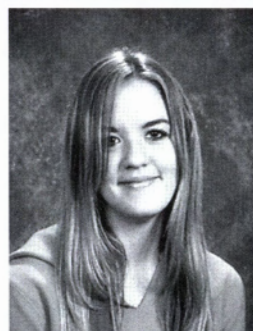
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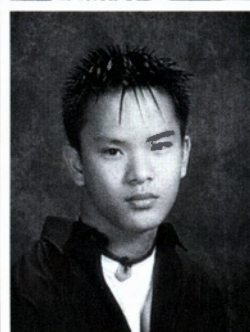
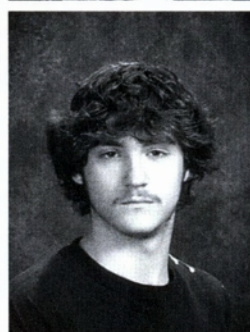
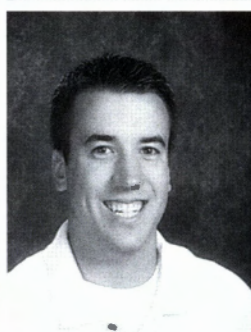
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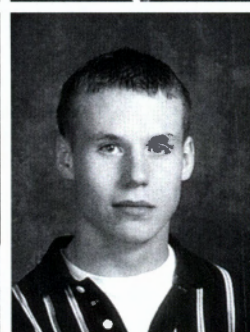
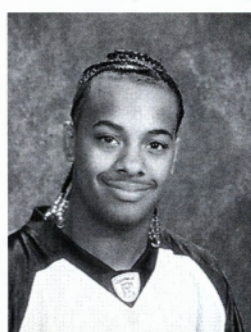
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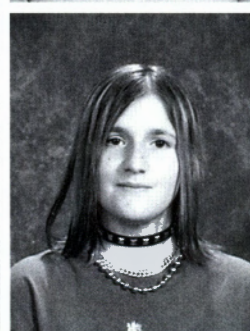
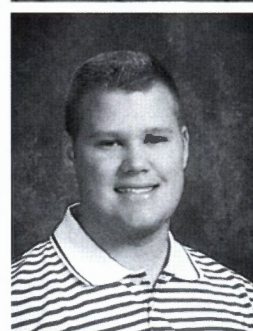
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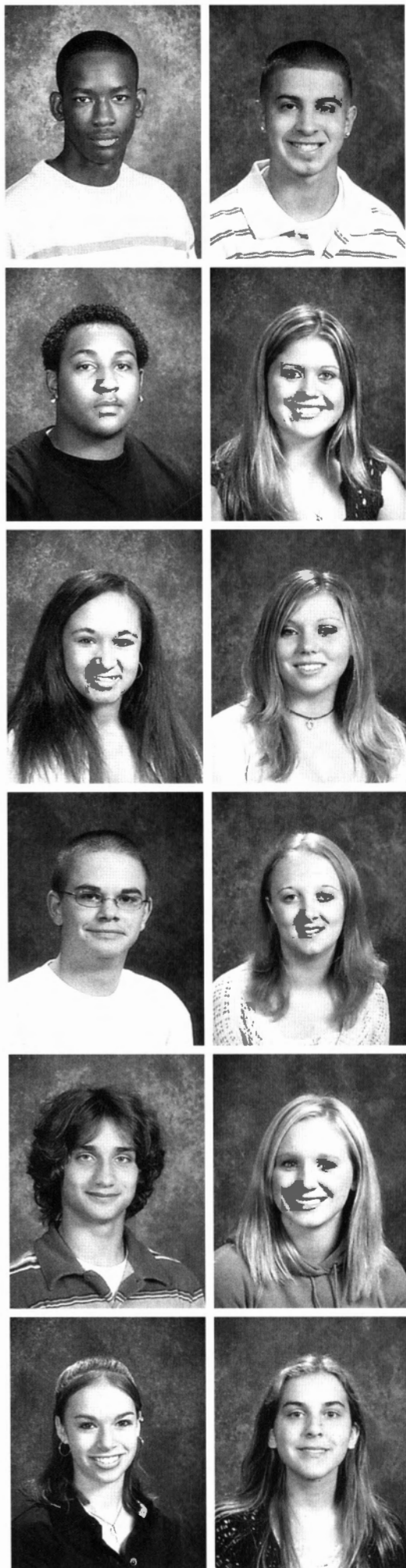
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# PARENTS VS TEENS

by Sara Bullion

## *Do parents have style?*

"When I was looking for an outfit I tried to find something different and more dressy that Kaley would like. She's very particular about what she'll wear so I had to keep that in mind."

**Mother Janice Vondra**



"I thought that this experience would be really fun and interesting. I wasn't too sure about what my mom was going to pick though."

**Junior Kayley Vondra**

# T TAKE A LOOK AT THIS

by Sara Bullion

## *What her mom chose*

Junior Kaley Vondra and her mother went shopping at Charlotte Rouse to complete a certain task. The task was for her mother to find an outfit that she thought Kaley would like and, yes, wear. The downfall was that Kaley couldn't give her any hints telling her she liked it or not.

**What did you think afterwards and why?**

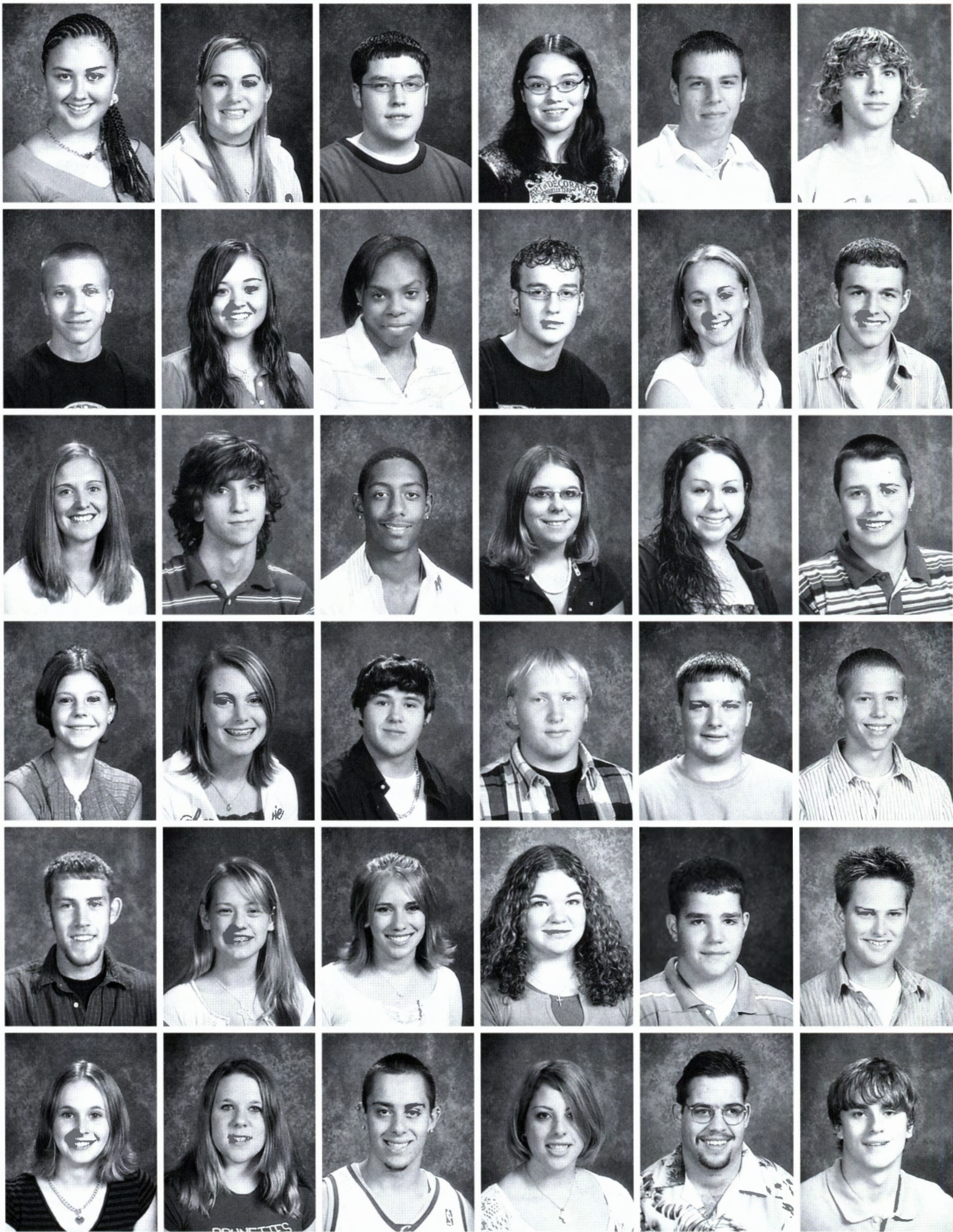
"I liked my mom's choices. She did really good. She picked outfits that I usually wouldn't, but she knows that they'll look good."

**Do you and your mom go shopping a lot together?**

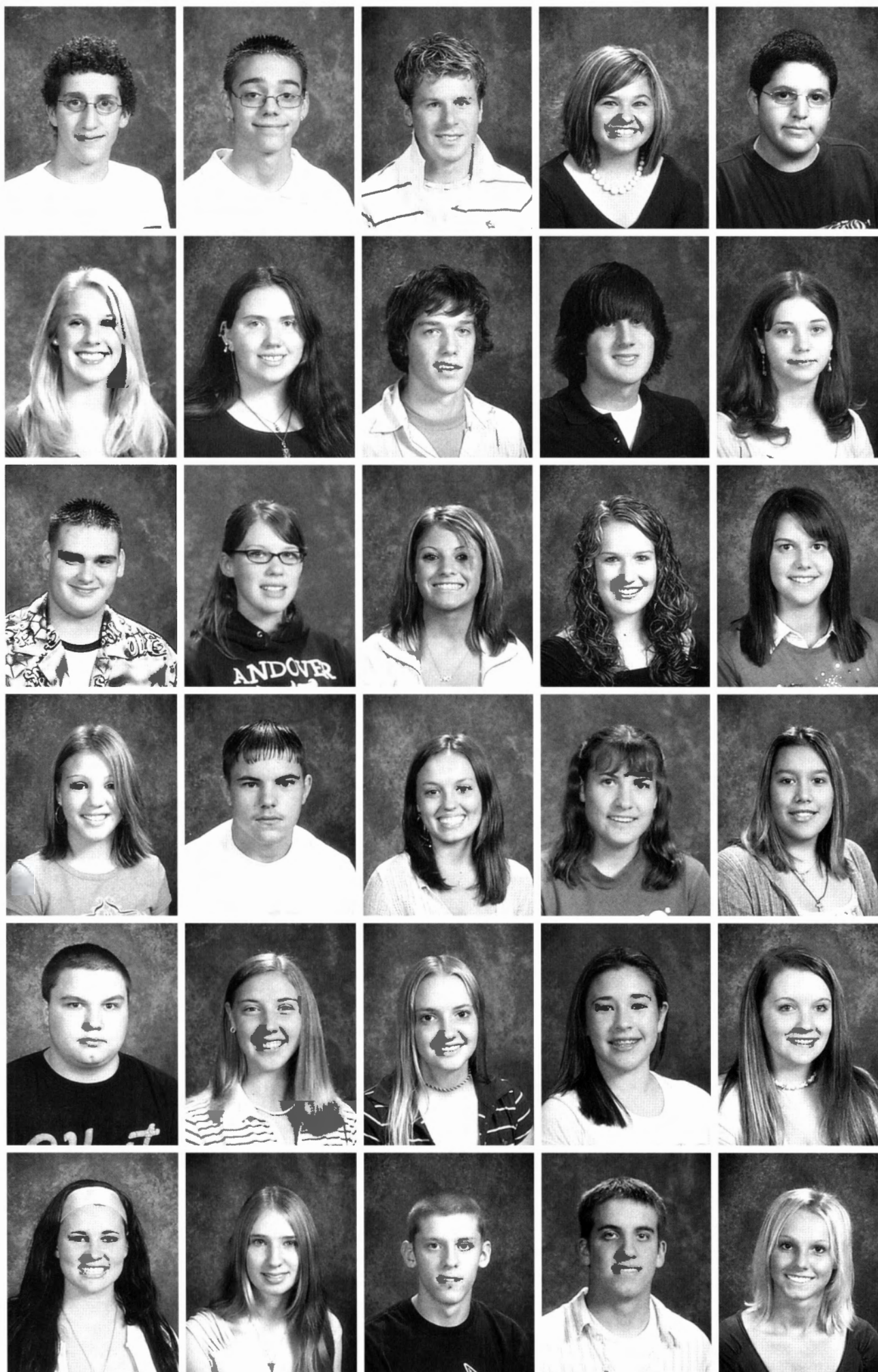
"Yeah, sometimes. She's fun to shop with and, hey, if she's paying, I'm not complaining."











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# MY DREAM CAR

by Kaylee Hunt

If you could have any car in the world, what would it be?

"I would want Chad Cooper's Camero, but in black."

What kind of car do you actually have, and what does it look like?

"A '92 Ford Tempo. It has a wooden bumper, duct-taped racing strips, and neon lights. It used to have deer antlers on the front of it, but the cops made me take them off. I brought a \$300 stereo for it. It's pretty sweet."

*Mike Johnson*



# DREAM CAR VS. REALITY

by Kaylee Hunt

*What do you drive?*



"My dream car would be a '69 Chevy Nova in red, but instead I have a '94 Jeep Grand Cherokee Limited."

*Ian Thorn*



"I would want to have an Escalade EXT. The car I do have is a 2000 Grand Am GT."

*Abbey Rarick*



"I have a '98 Blazor LT. My dream car would have to be a '91 Dodge Stealth 440."

*Chad Hasenwinkle*



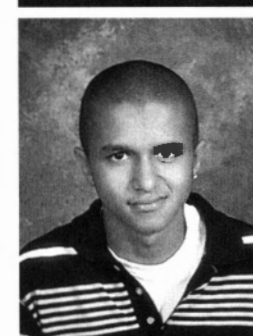
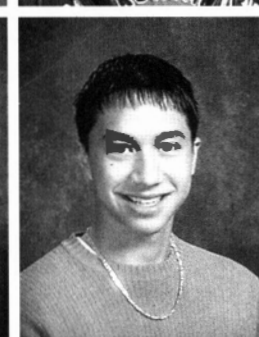
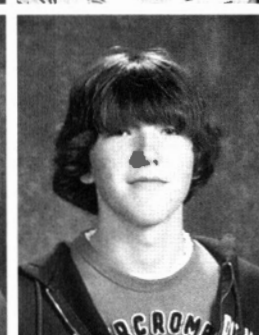
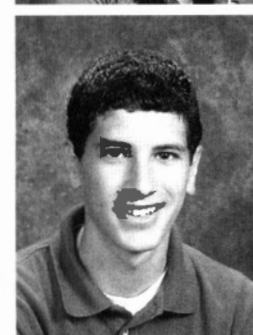
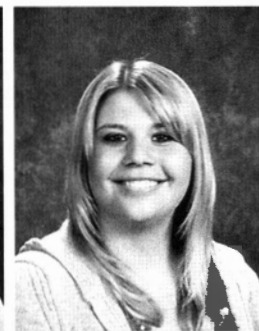
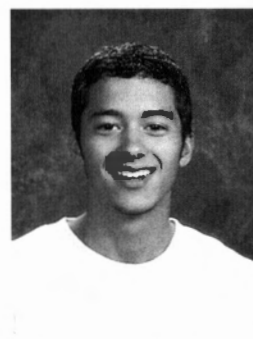
"A Corvette, it doesn't matter what year or color though, just a Corvette. I have a '97 Oldsmobile."

*Lindsay Shorna*



"An Escalade on dubs, you know, 22's. You don't want to know about the Buick Regal."

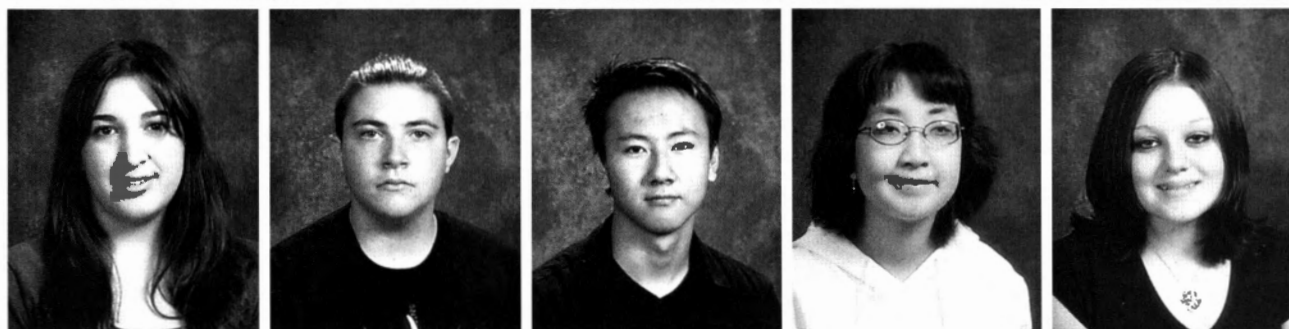
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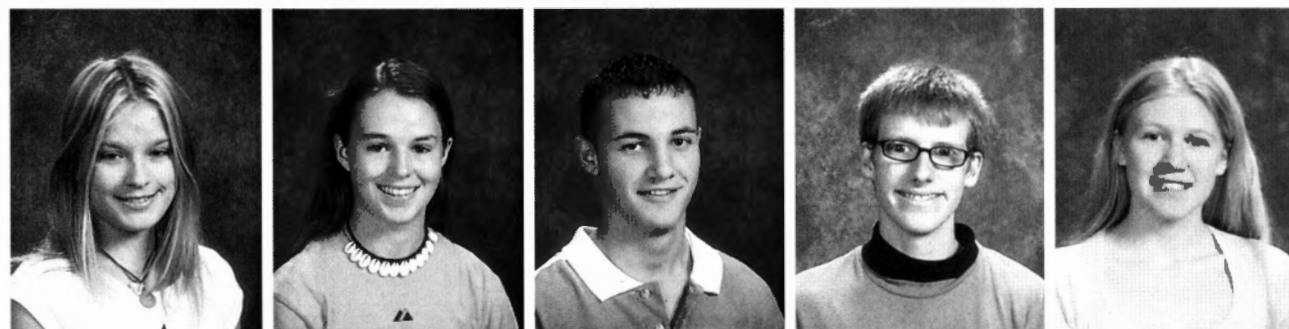
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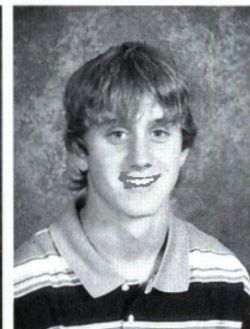
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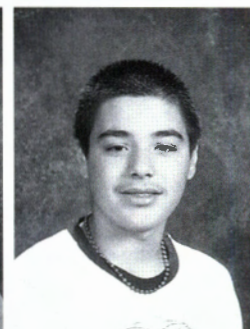
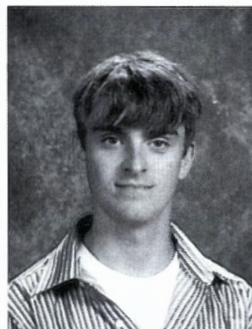
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Showing off their *Incredibles* shirts are juniors **Maddi Massa**, **Stephanie Clone** and **Rachel Gladstone**. For Homecoming 2006 the junior class picked the animated movie *The Incredibles* for their theme. Their Float and custom T-shirts were based upon this theme. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*

Taking time to goof around before the homecoming parade, juniors **Jordan Birch** and **Meredith Nelson** strike a pose. Both girls were picked by their fellow students to represent the class of 2007. *Photo by Kevin Judy*





# NATIONAL IQ

by Jared Buxton

## Test facts

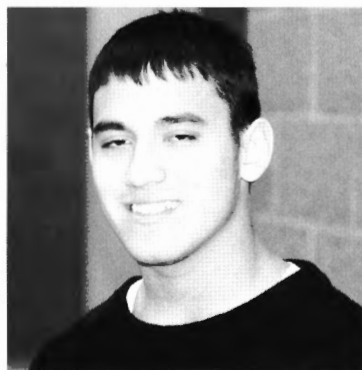
115-130	High Intelligence	13% of People
100-115	Above Average Intelligence	34% of People
85-100	Average	34% of People
70-85	Low Intelligence	13% of People
55-70	Mentally Inadequate	2.3% of People

Source [www.wilderdom.com](http://www.wilderdom.com)

# BRAIN TEASERS

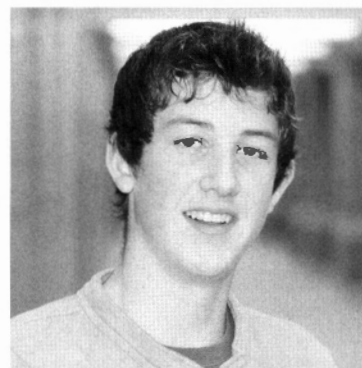
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## Where do you stand?



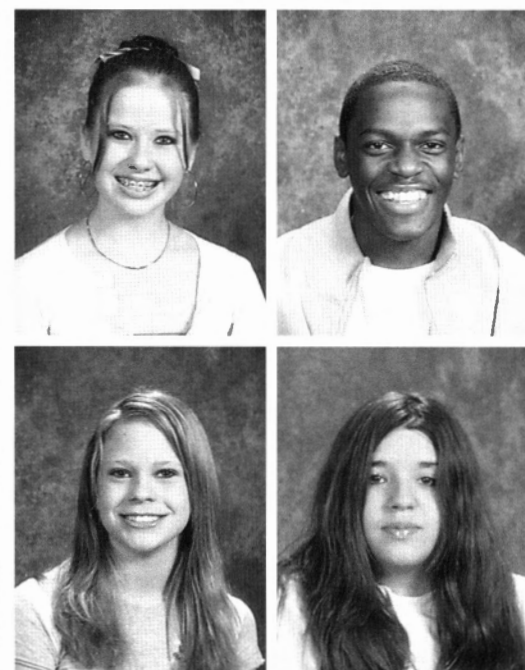
Junior Marcus Gatewood predicted the national IQ average was 90. "Anything below me," said Gatewood, who received a 112 on his IQ test, "Yes, yes it does show correctly," said Gatewood regarding his results, "the test was repetitive and complicated." If he was given another chance, he claims

he can do better. The national average IQ falls between 90-110 which accounts for 50% of the population.



When Junior Ryan Bell was asked the IQ national average, he also guessed 90. The actual average is anywhere between 90-110. Bell received a score of 111 on his IQ test. "I'm mad because Marcus Gatewood scored better than me by 1 point," said Bell. "I rushed through it. It was easy you just had

to write it out, I could have done better," Bell said after receiving his score.



**Riding on the back end of a truck** while going down Holt Road, juniors **Brooke Darling, Danielle Smith,** sophomore **Kourtnei Egger** and junior **Lindsey King** smile for the camera. All of the ladies played on the Holt JV Basketball team. It is custom for each sport to ride in the Homecoming parade and pass out candy. *Photo by Kevin Judy*



**Counting the ballots for the 2006** Winterfest court is student council member junior **Alex Allegretto**. Unlike Homecoming the Winterfest court members are first nominated by the Holt teaching staff and then voted upon by the students. This the junior court members were Danielle Smith and Miles Biel. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*



"If I was to take an IQ test I wouldn't do good at all because I act like a blonde." Junior Sydney Baylis

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# BEING A SOPHOMORE

by Jared Buxton

## Joshua Walle

It is the first day of school. You're wearing your best school clothes and get on the bus. You walk into school and have no idea where your classes are.

This is the typical first day of high school for most sophomores. Some common fears among sophomores are being totally humiliated by seniors and being the youngest in the school.

Many sophomores stick together to get through the year. "Friends are the biggest part of my life," said sophomore Joshua Walle.

At Holt, students attend a freshman campus and then move up to the high school together, so students benefit from moving up with their entire class.

**What is the biggest job craze among sophomores?**

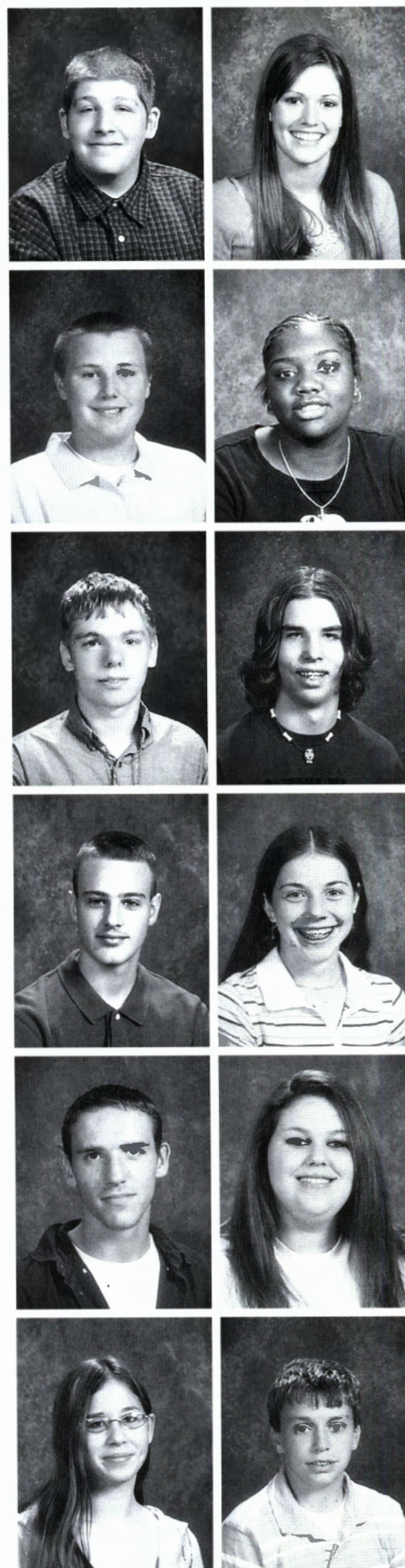
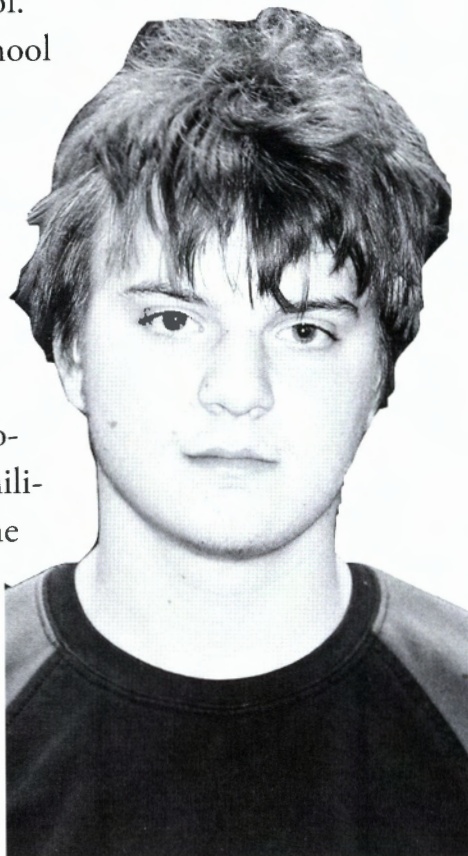
"Something with computers"

**How tough are the sophomore classes?**

"School is pretty easy for me, I hope it stays this easy."

**Do you like being a sophomore?**

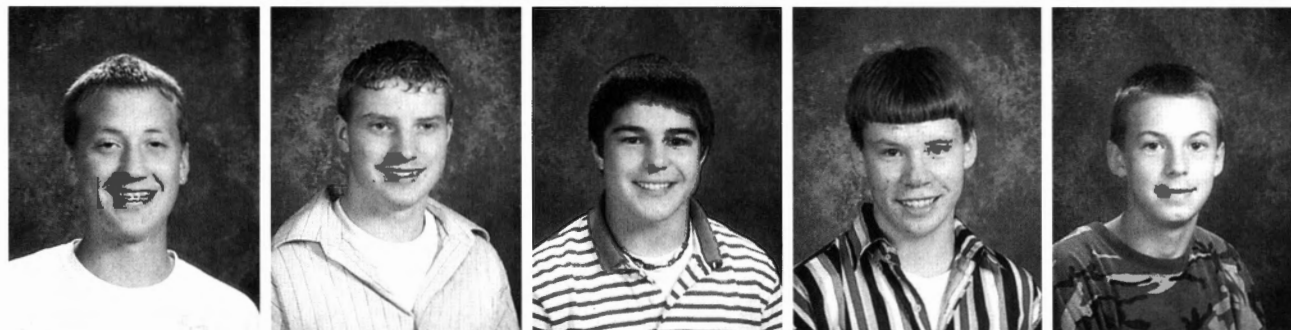
"It's not bad but I want to be at the top of the school like everyone else does."



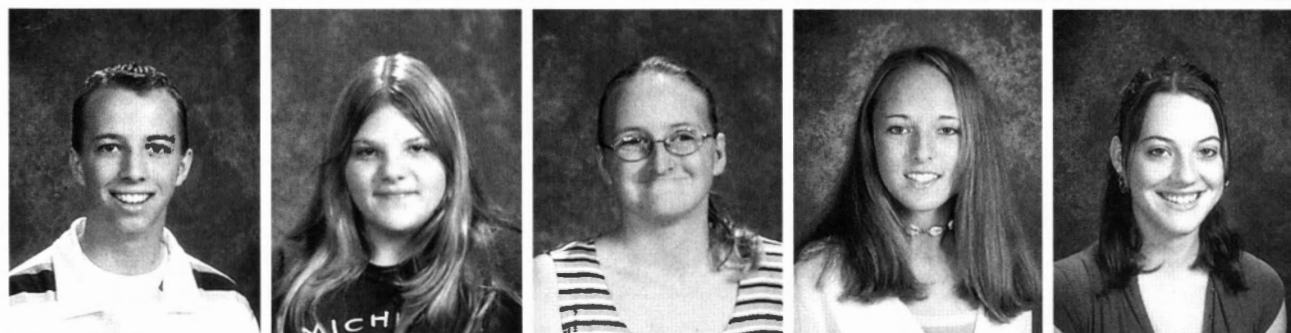




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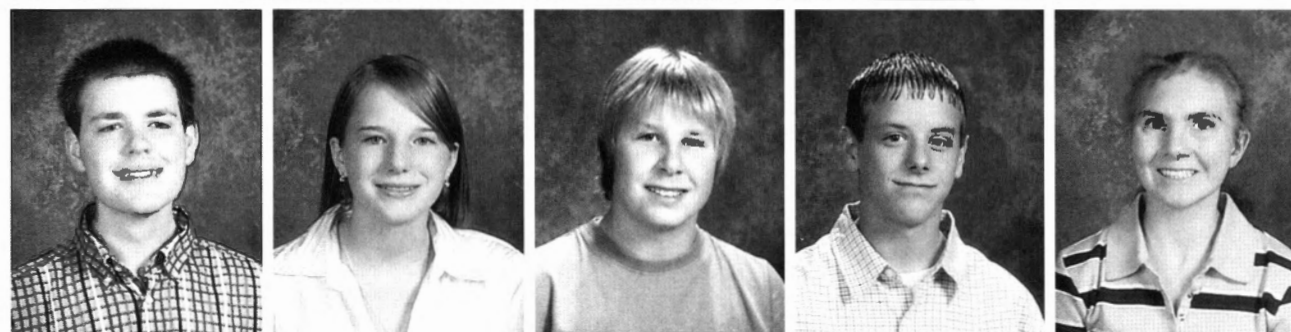
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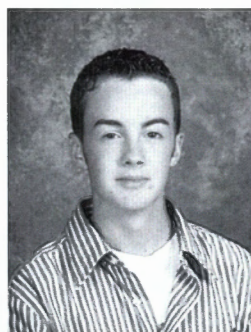
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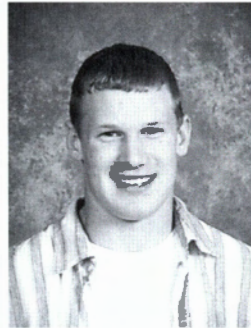
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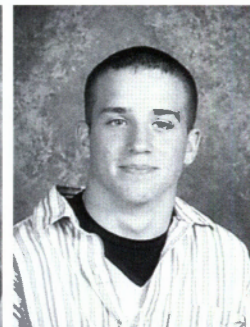
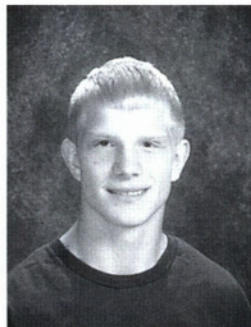
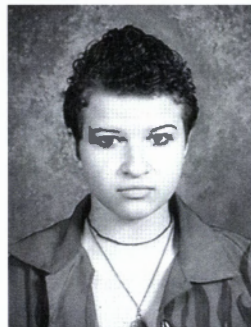
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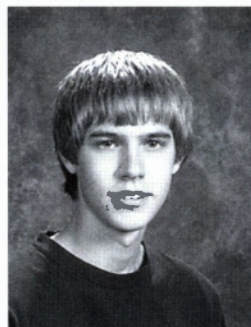
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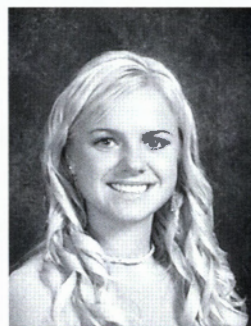
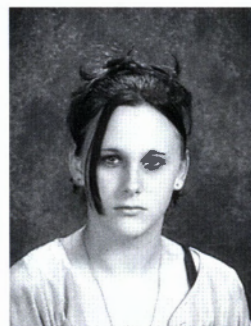
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# BEING IN THE MOVIES

by Lauren Siebert

## Getting into character

"If I could be any character from a movie I'd be Ariel from the Little Mermaid because living underwater would be awesome."

Lehanna Hardy



"If I was a character in a movie I'd probably be Cinderella because she has the whole happily ever after life."

Annette Gianino

# POPCORN WITH A POP QUIZ

by Lauren Siebert

## Movie trivia

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| 1) "May the Force be with you."  | a) <i>Anchorman</i>                             |
| 2) "Nobody makes me bleed my own blood. Nobody!"   | b) <i>The Princess Bride</i>                    |
| 3) "Yo, Adrian!"   | c) <i>JAWS</i>                                  |
| 4) "A liger... It's like a lion and tiger mixed..."  | d) <i>The Shining</i>                           |
| 5) "I'm king of the world."  | e) <i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> |
| 6) "You stay classy San Diego. I'm Ron Burgundy?"  | f) <i>Top Gun</i>                               |
| 7) "Toga, Toga!"   | g) <i>Star Wars</i>                             |
| 8) "You're going to need a bigger boat."   | h) <i>Titanic</i>                               |
| 9) "I feel the need-- the need for speed."   | i) <i>Pirates of the Caribbean</i>              |
| 10) "It wasn't over, it still isn't over..."   | j) <i>Dodgeball</i>                             |
| 11) "Here's Johnny!"   | k) <i>The Godfather</i>                         |
| 12) "You will always remember this day when you almost caught Captain Jack Sparrow."               | l) <i>The Notebook</i>                          |
| 13) "It is curious that you should be destined for this wand when its brother gave you that scar." | m) <i>Napoleon Dynamite</i>                     |
| 14) "As you wish..."   | n) <i>Rocky</i>                                 |
| 15) "I'll make him an offer he can't refuse."  | o) <i>Animal House</i>                          |

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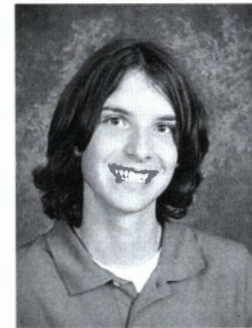
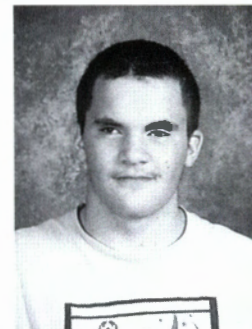


# WHEN I GET MY LICENSE

by Kevin Judy

## Zach Burgess

Sophomore Zach Burgess waits anxiously until May 9, 2006, the day he gets his license. Many Sophomores hope for the perfect car the day they turn sixteen. "A '67 Vette, convertible, shiny sparkley black, with a trash can attached to the back, a hot dog maker in the passenger seat, and a lava lamp in the dash. And I also want to meet Flava-Flav," said Burgess when describing his dream car. Unfortunately for Zach, he is stuck with a '97 Cutlass.



# BAD DRIVING EXPERIENCES

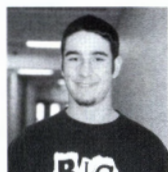
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## What's your story?



"I wasn't paying attention when my driving instructor Mr. K. was talking and I ran into a curb while pulling out of subway. We all started laughing."

Scott Crawford



"I was driving in the snow when I lost control and did a tailspin and nailed a tree in an old Delta 88."

Danny Neff



"I was driving down in Indiana when I got pulled over for 'unsafe lane changing' - it was unbelievable."

Danielle Hosfield



"I hate driving with Avery (Thomas) in the passenger seat. He likes to take the wheel from me to try and hit deer. It's nuts."

Danny Bryant



"I was driving fast in the winter and lost control when I hit a patch of ice. I spun around but didn't hit anything big."

Brendan Lierman





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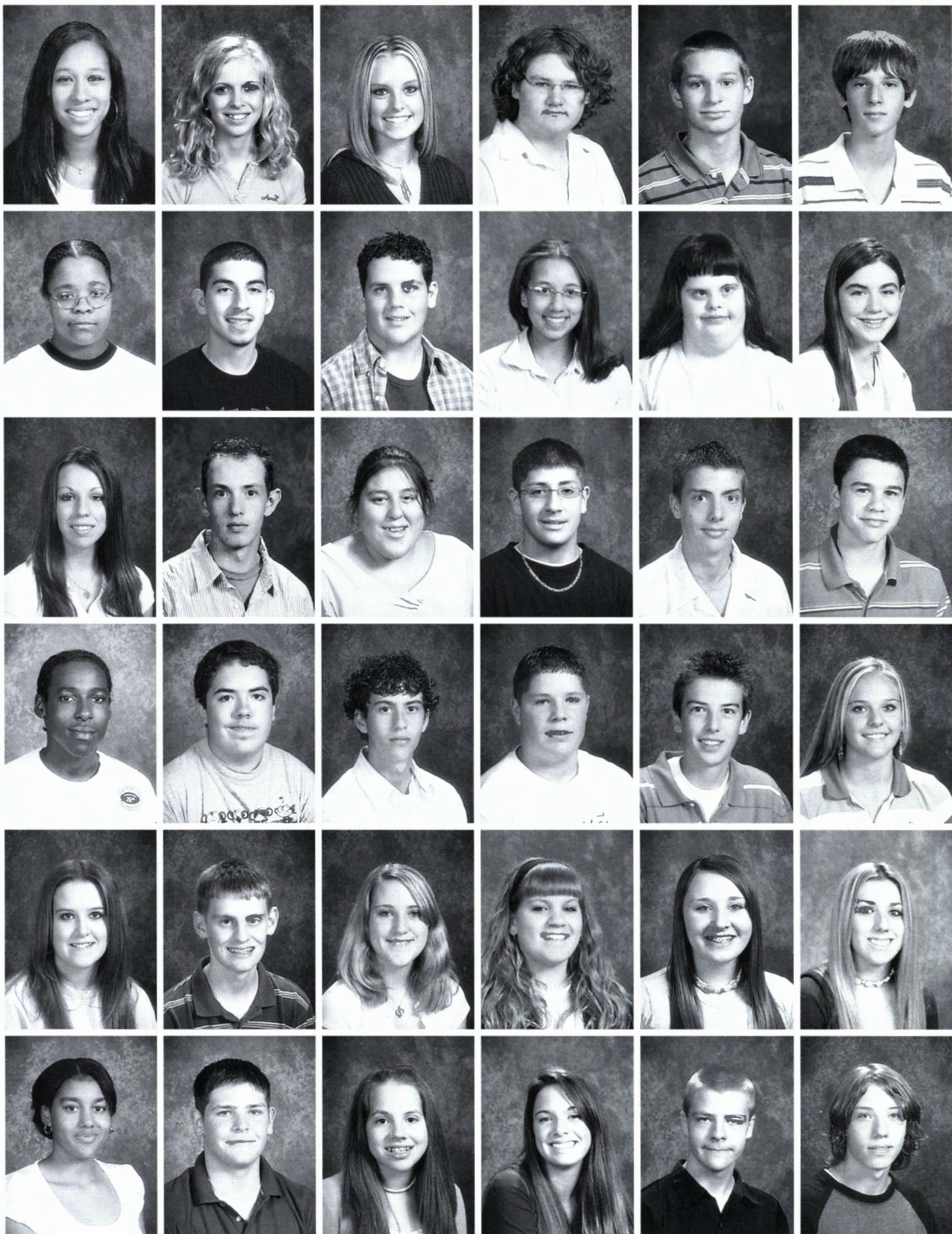
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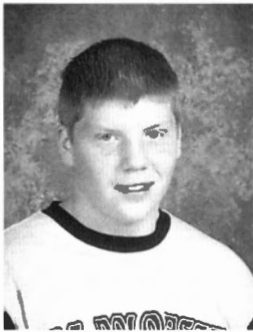
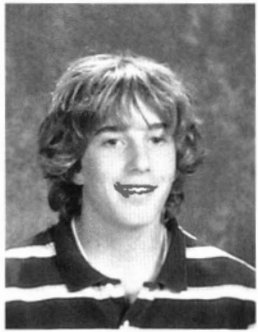
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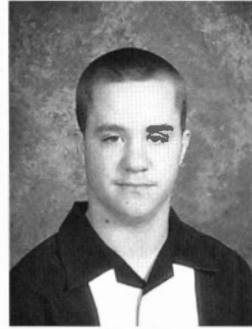
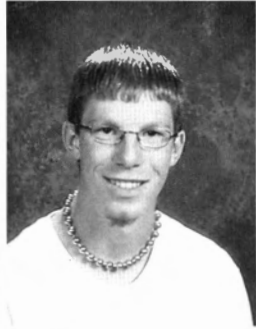




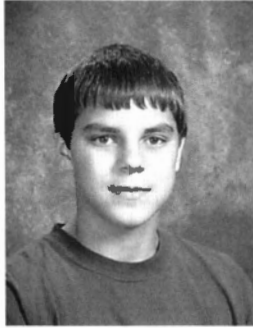
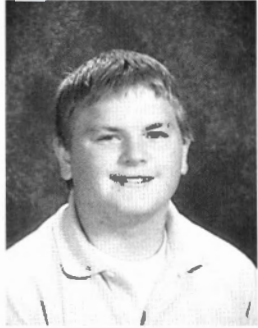




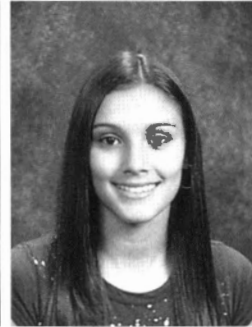
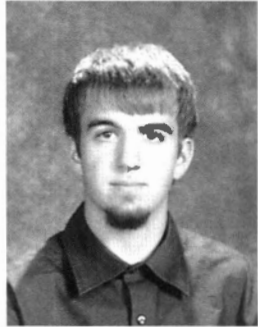
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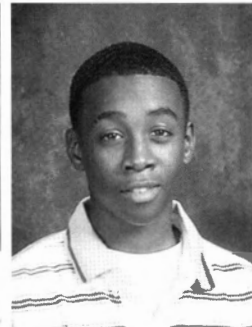
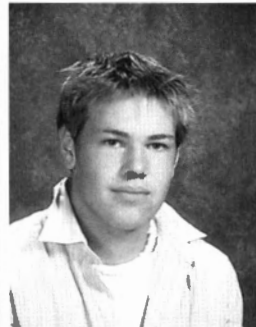
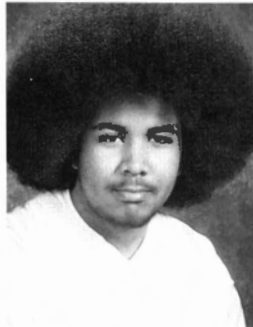
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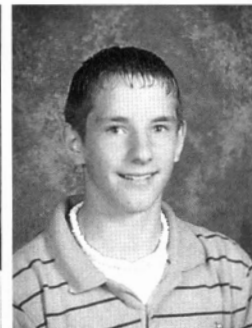
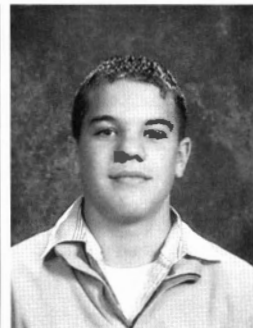
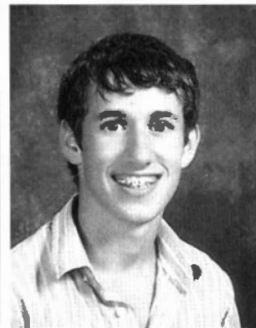
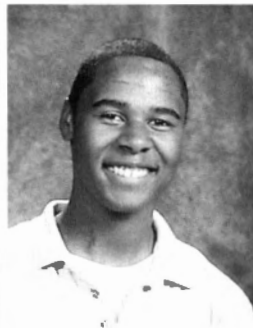
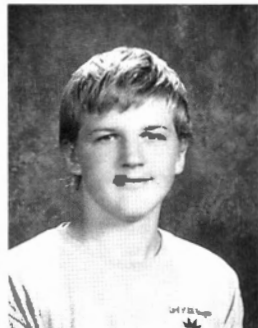
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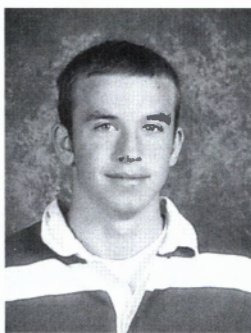
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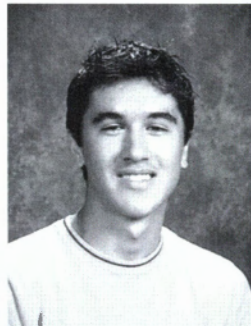
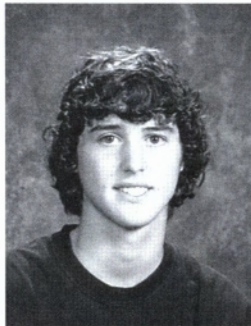
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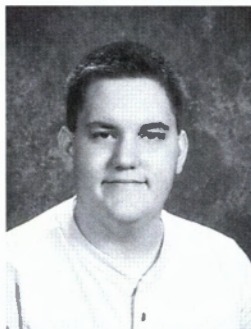
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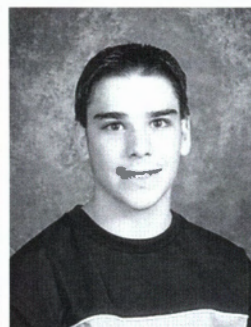
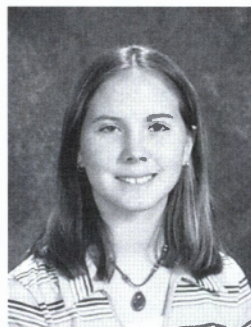
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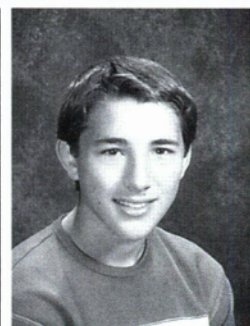
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# GETTING TO KNOW...

by Josh Munyon

## Pearce Sanchez

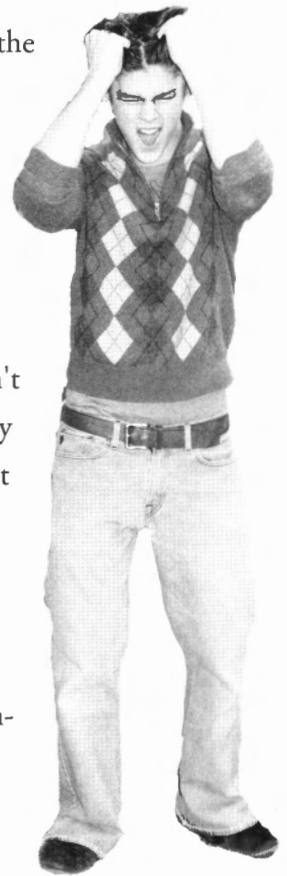
For many sophomores who attend Holt, the transition to the high school can be strange. This is especially true if they have never been to a Holt school before.

After transferring from East Kentwood early in the year, Sophomore Pearce Sanchez is now adjusting to the new school.

"I only got lost once or twice, but it wasn't too bad," said Sanchez. Sanchez found many differences between East Kentwood and Holt

"The cameras, overheads, and mainly the staff are different," said Sanchez. "Everyone here is nice and it feels like they really want to be here."

Sanchez likes to wrestle and plans on joining the team for the 2006-2007 season.



**Do you think the quality of a building is reflected in the students' attitudes?**

"Yeah. I believe that how people treat their stuff is also reflected in their attitude."

**When you first entered the school, what did you think of it?**

"When I first got to the school I was excited. It looked very interesting - from the size of the commons to the large stairs in the middle of all of it."

**What is the biggest difference between your old school and this one?**

"There was a lot of construction going on and it was very dark. It's a lot brighter here and there is a lot more room 'cause there is no construction."



# BENEATH THE MASK

by Kelly Hamelin & Jacob Bonotto

## Halloween stories



"Everyone thought I was really cute. I didn't get to go trick or treating because I was too young, I was bummed."

Krissy Barros



"I don't really remember much, but it looks like I had fun. Ninja Turtles Rule!"

Josh Webb



"I remember that Halloween was really cold. We didn't end up trick or treating for very long."

Andy Lamie



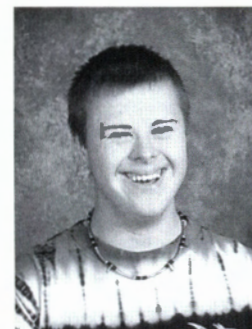
"I never thought I would be a pumpkin, but my mom made me the costume. I was too young to remember it. Other wise I never would dress like that."

Michael Greene



"That picture was taken right before we walked in the Halloween parade in the school. I hated it."

Amy Stewart



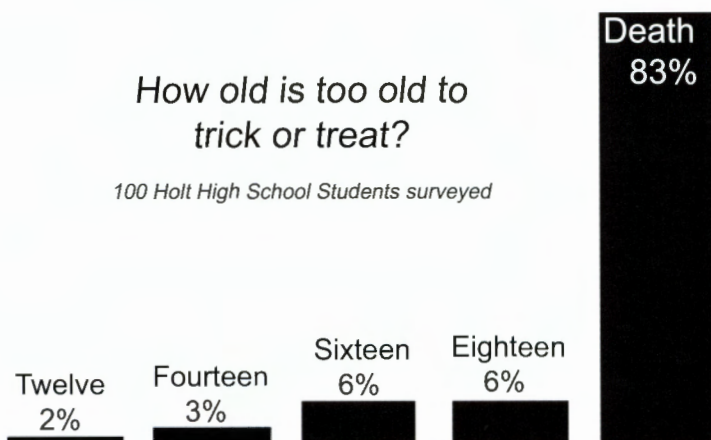
# TRADITION PERSISTS

by Jacob Bonotto & Kelly Hamelin

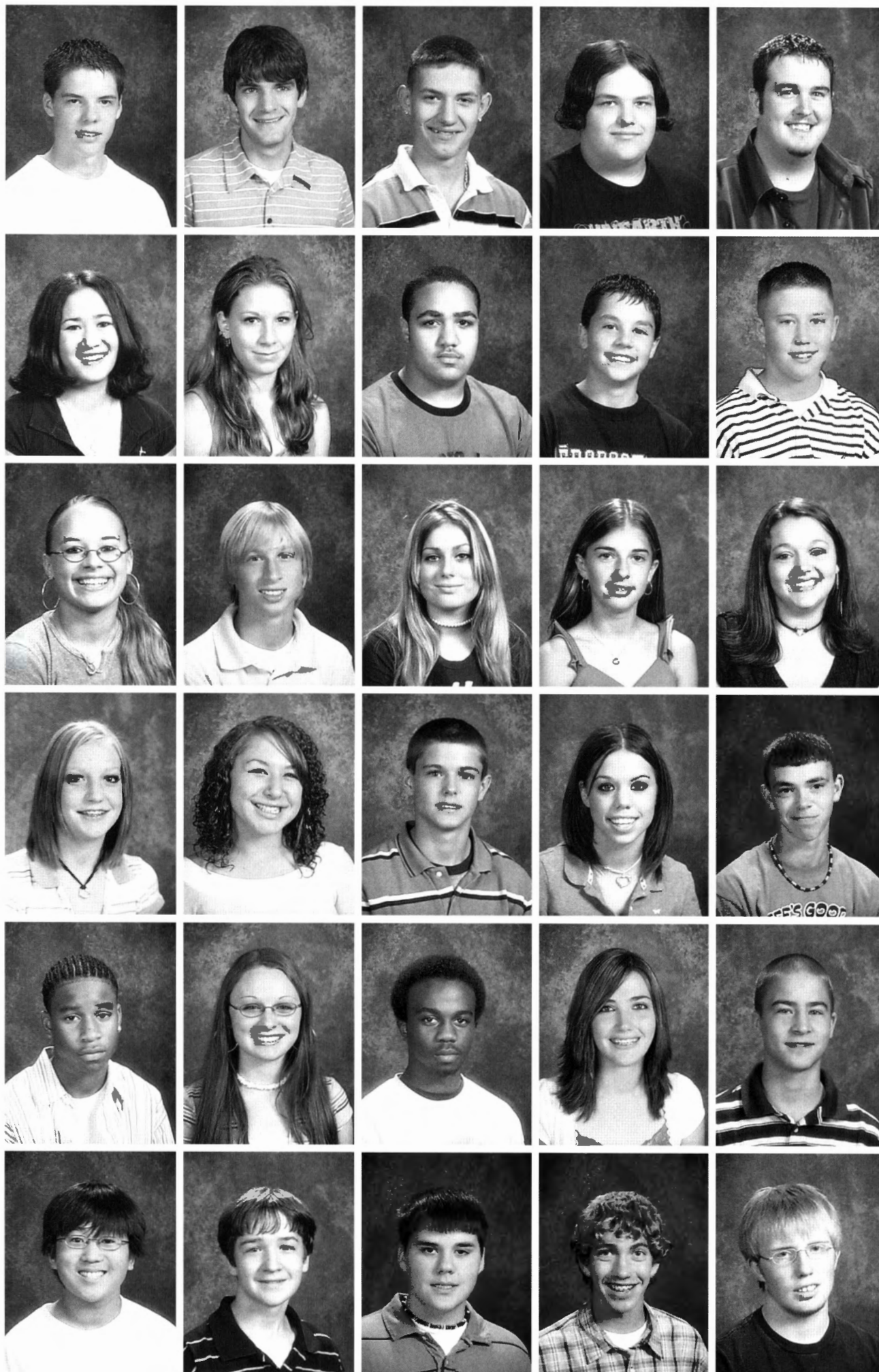
## Trick or treating lives

How old is too old to  
trick or treat?

100 Holt High School Students surveyed







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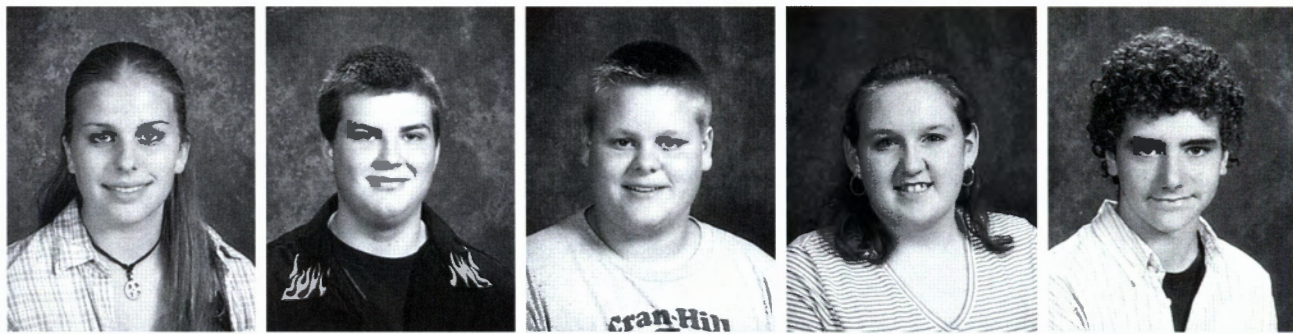
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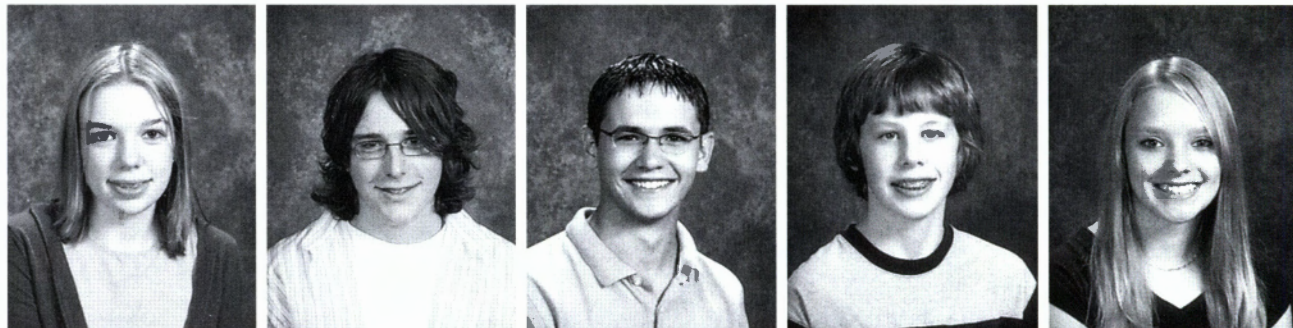
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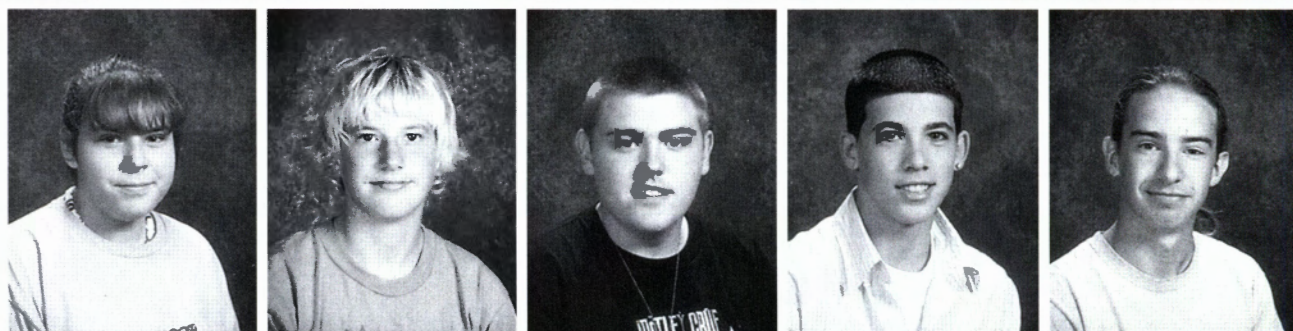
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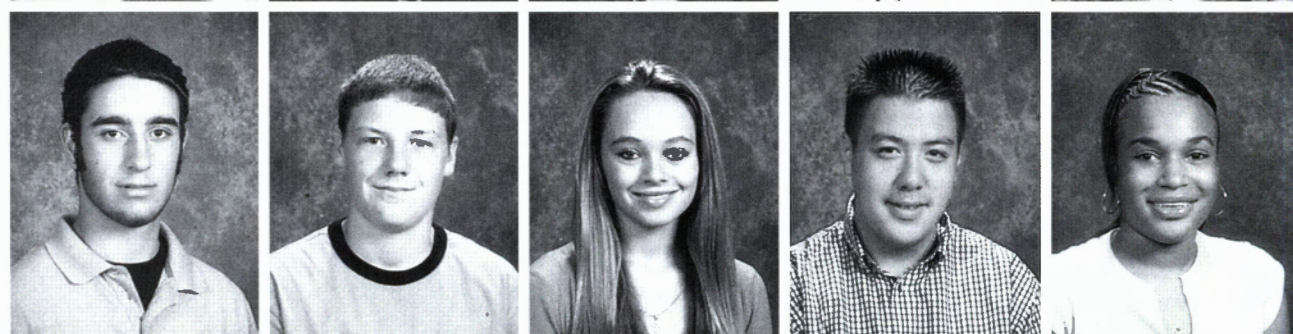
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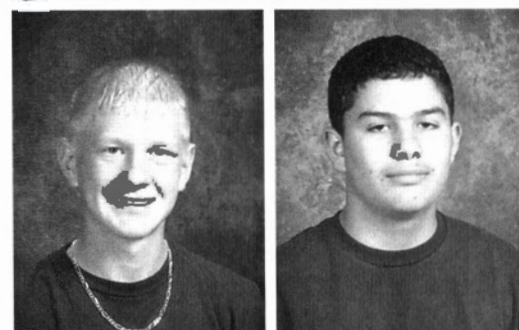
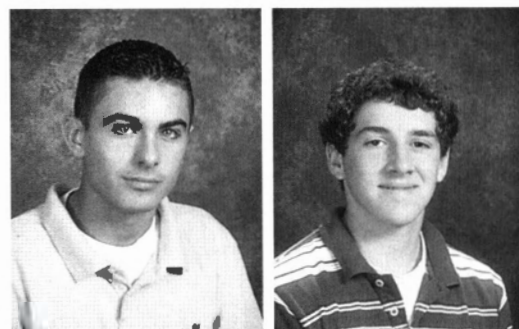
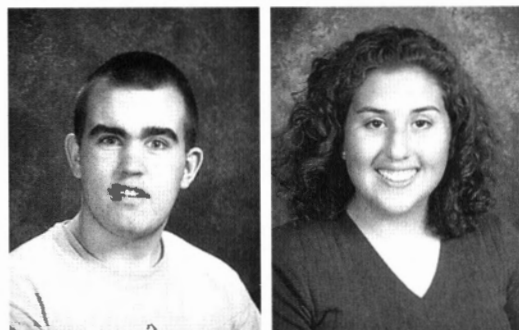
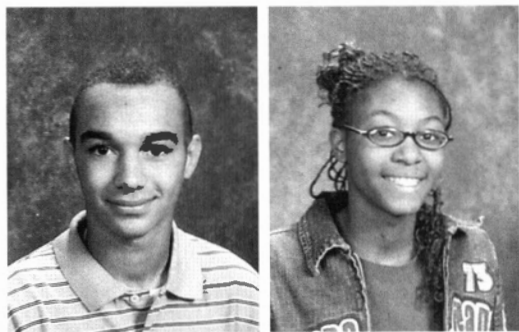
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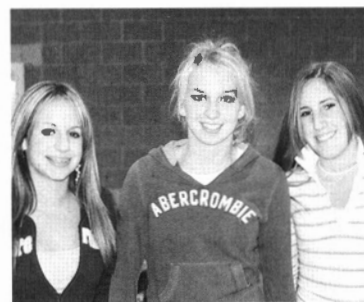


# MATERIAL GIRLS

by Megan Schallau

## *Their must-haves...*

There are things that some girls just can't live without. "It would be hard living without my cell phone," said sophomore Kaitlyn Warren. Warren's friend, sophomores Brittany Speer, gave a similar answer. "I couldn't live without all my makeup," Speer stated. Sophomore Anna Krycinski added, "I wouldn't be able to live without my hair straightener." Everyday luxuries were obviously a necessity for these three girls, while most guys answered with practical items.



# WHAT GUYS NEED

by Megan Schallau

## *I can't live without...*



"I can't live without my car, applesauce, playing soccer and all my underwear. Oh and I almost forgot I couldn't live without Clay Kellogg."

Nate Long



"I wouldn't be able to live without sports, because they're fun. Playing sports is also a good way to relieve stress."

Chaz King



"I can't live without food and school because without school I'd be dumb and without food I'd be really skinny."

Austin Holtz



"I couldn't live without my good friend, Nate Long because he makes me laugh and he's so cute."

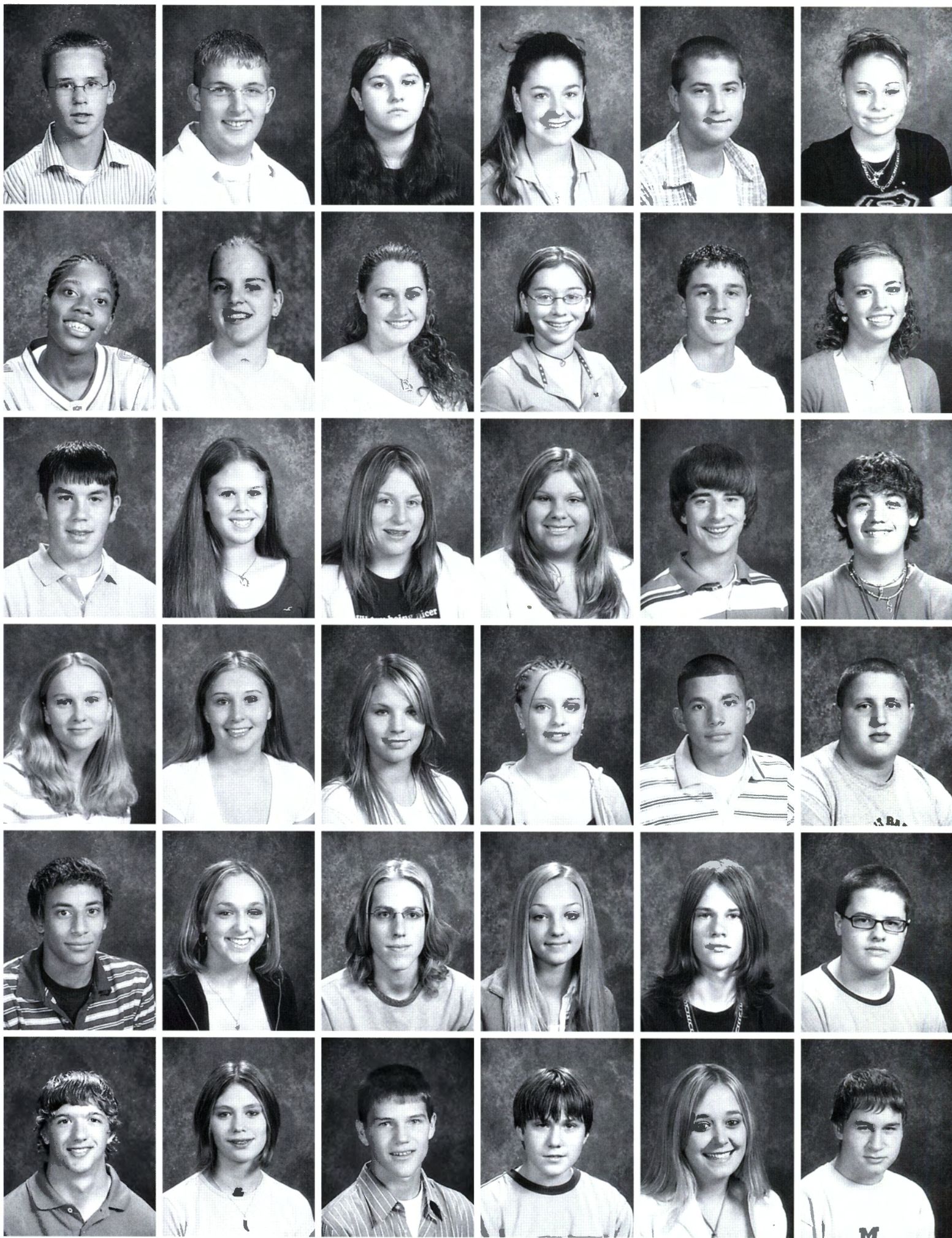
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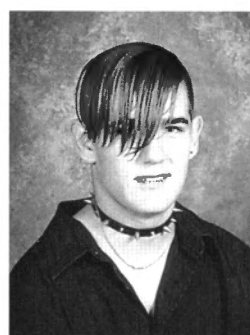
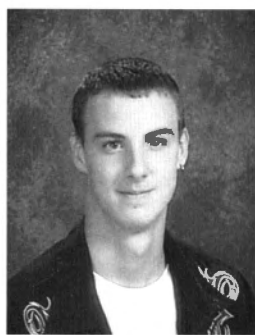
"I just couldn't live without my mommy because she packs my lunch."

Briston Mishler

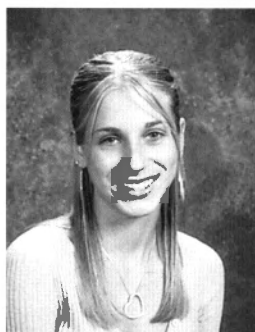
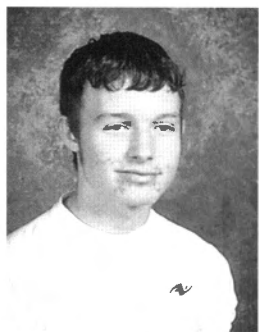




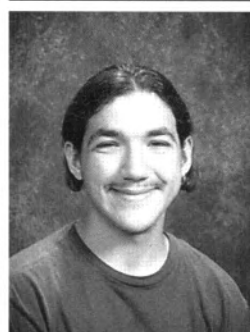
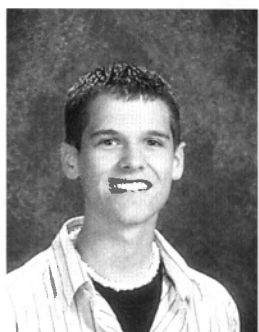




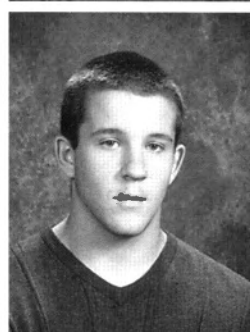
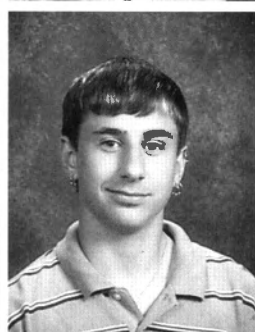
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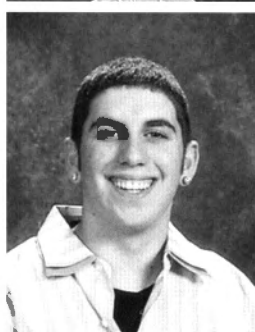
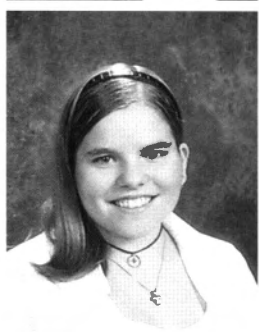
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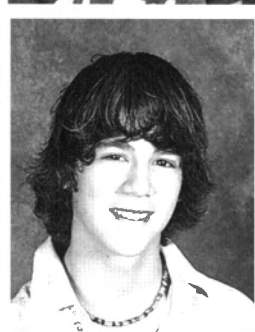
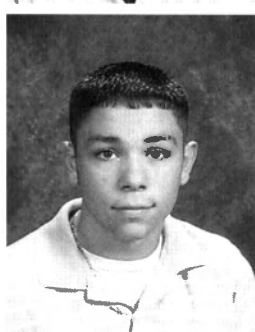
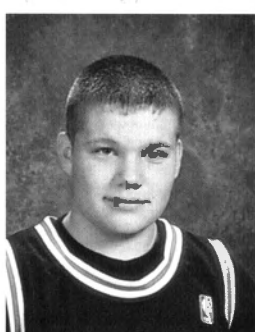
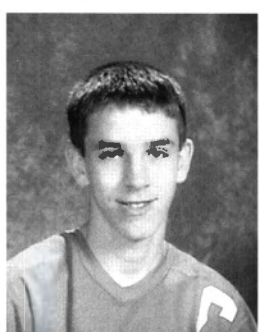
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# PET PEEVES

by Sandra McCormick

## What annoys you?

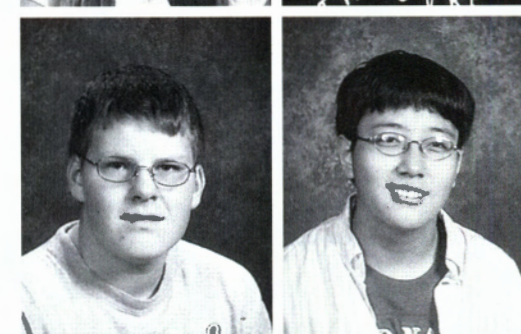
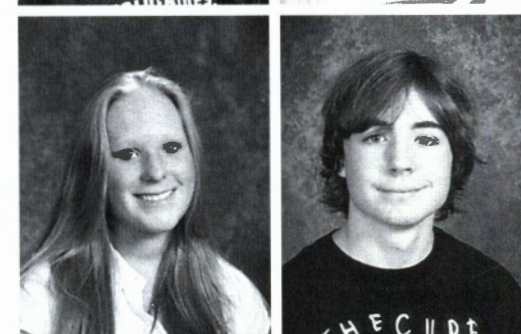
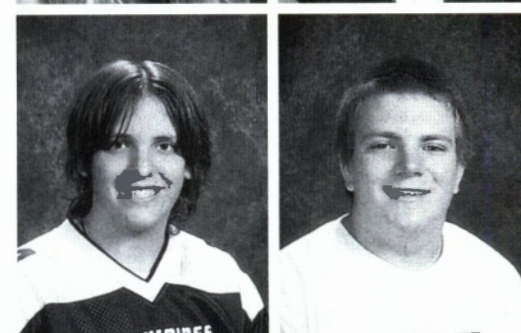
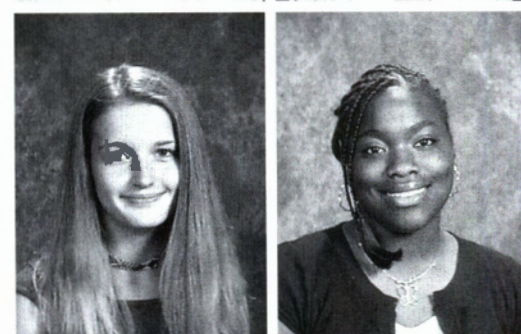
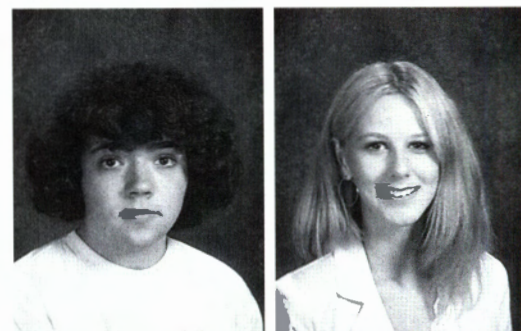
- 1.) People who treat you like you are four.
- 2.) People who do not do their part on an assignment.
- 3.) People who chew with their mouths open.
- 4.) People who keep you on hold forever.
- 5.) People who stop in the middle of the hallway to talk.

Other options students had to chose from were:

People who drive slow in the left lane, and holding the door for someone when they do not say thank you. All data was based on a survey of 62 Holt sophomores.



**Students of Holt High School** stand around and talk during nutrition break. Students standing around can sometimes be problematic, for it limits an individual student's ability to get from one end of the school to the other in adequate time. Most sophomores find this to be one of their pet peeves. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*



# OBSESSIONS

by Sandra McCormick

## What do you think?



"Personaly no [I have no obsessions], but my friend is obsessed with Flamingos."

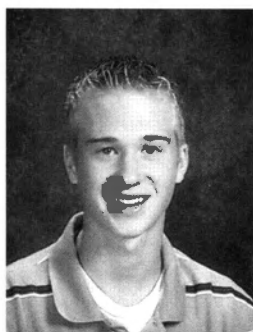
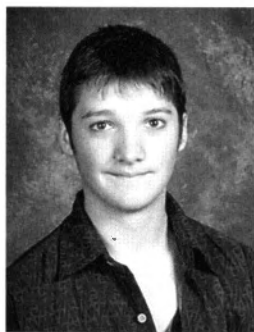
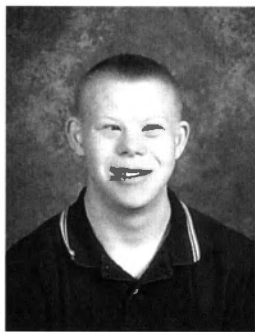
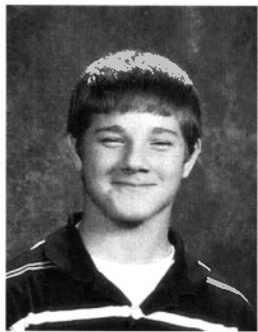
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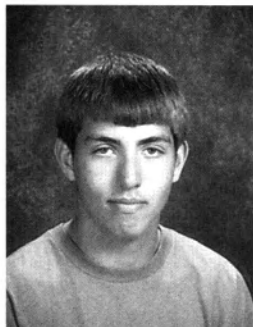
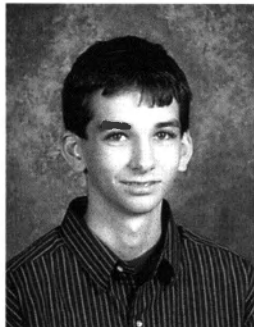
"[An obsession] is something that you do everyday. Like...a lot."

Zach Carter

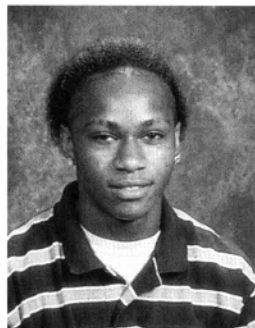




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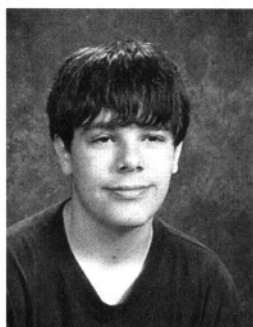
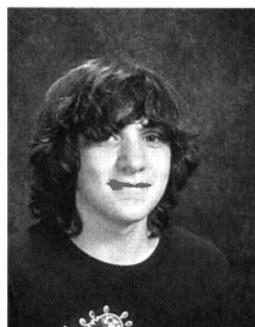
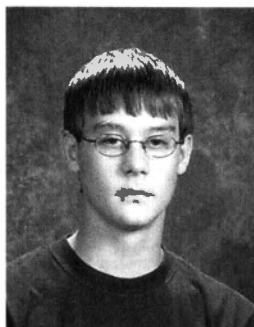
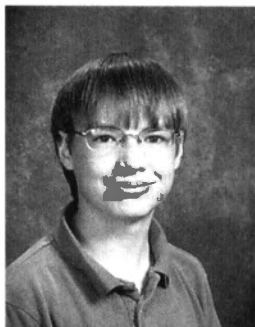
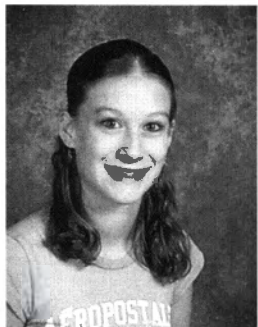
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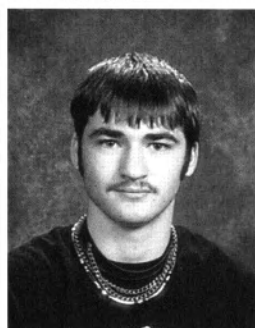
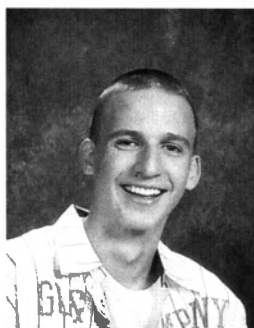
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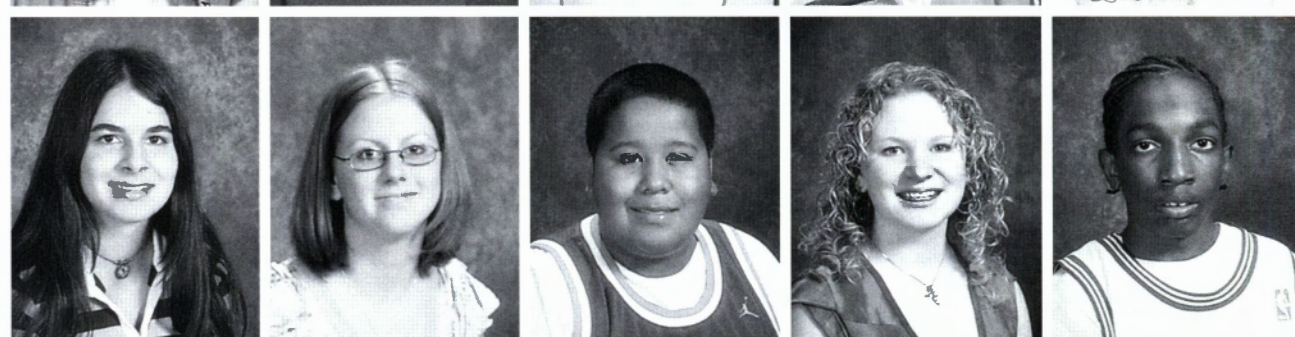
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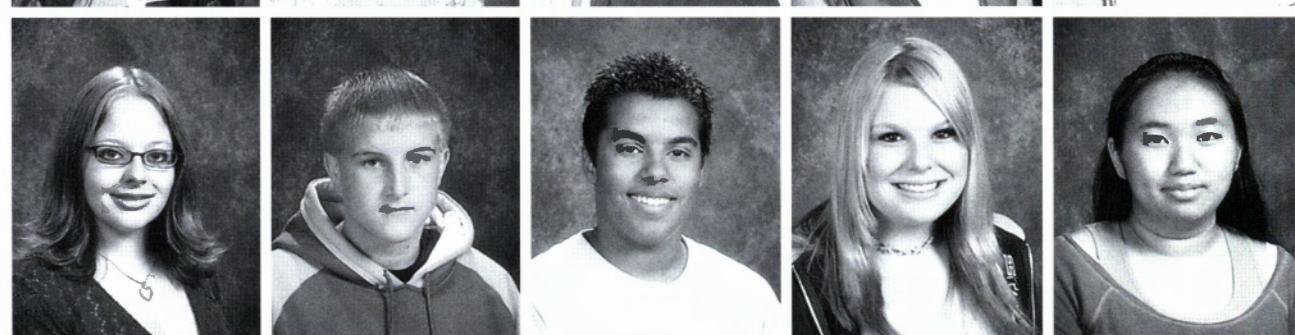
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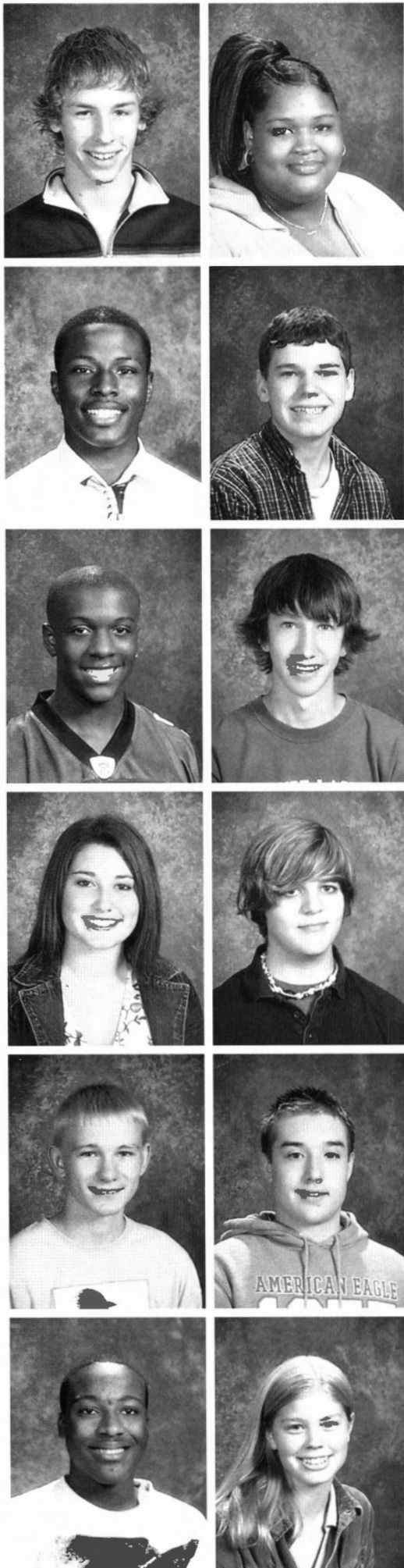
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# CHILDS PLAY

by Trina Rawlinson

## Mark Tongen's room

When you think of a boys room you think tough and messy with sports posters. Mark Tongen's room proves otherwise. Tongen has kept his room the same since childhood.

"I'm lazy so I never really feel like changing it plus I think it is kind of cool," said Tongen.

When walking into Tongen's room the first thing you notice are the bright yellow walls with Tonka trucks as the border. Then you notice the Winnie the Pooh lamp by his bed with a box of tissues. Tongen has beanie babies hanging down from the ceilings of his room and has stuffed animals on his dresser.

**What do you think about your room?**

"It's small and old. There is a lot of weird stuff in it."

**What is the most childish thing in your room?**

"The wallpaper, it has Tonka trucks on it."

**Would you ever change your room?**

"No because it is to much work and I'm really lazy."

**What do your friends think of your room?**

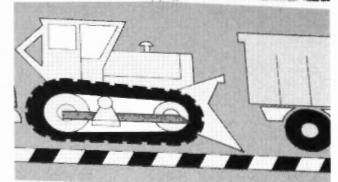
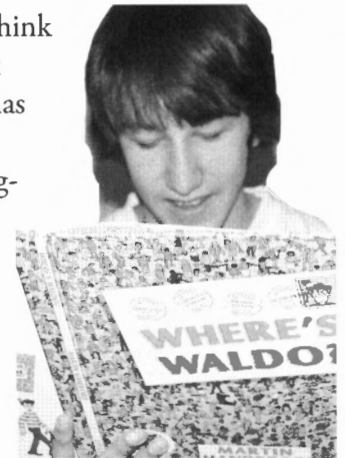
"They think it is childish."

**How long has your room been like this?**

"The whole time I've lived there so twelve years."

**Do you like your room?**

"Not really, I think it makes me look like a kid."





# INTERESTING NAMES

by Sarah Turner

## *What do you like?*

"I think Brette is a really cool name for a girl because most people think it's a guy name. Even if people don't have unique names I still think they can be unique people."

Kiera Leitz



"Carson is one of my favorite names for a guy. I think unique names make it so people don't forget that person as much because it's not as commonly used."

Dustin Hagfors

# MEANINGS OF NAMES

by Sarah Turner

## *Face to name*



Hints

**Gender:** Female

**Origin:** English

**Meaning:** Leader of Warriors

Many people are unaware that names do in fact have a meaning behind them. Sophomore Kimberly Rouse fit into this category before she found out her name means leader of warriors.

"I don't know what my name means. I didn't realize that people even knew what their own names meant or that people had meanings behind their name," said Rouse after being asked about her name.



Hints

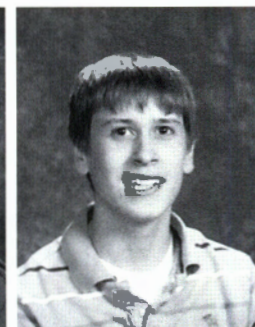
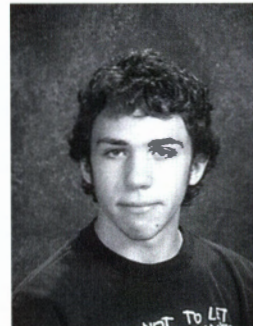
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**Origin:** Hebrew

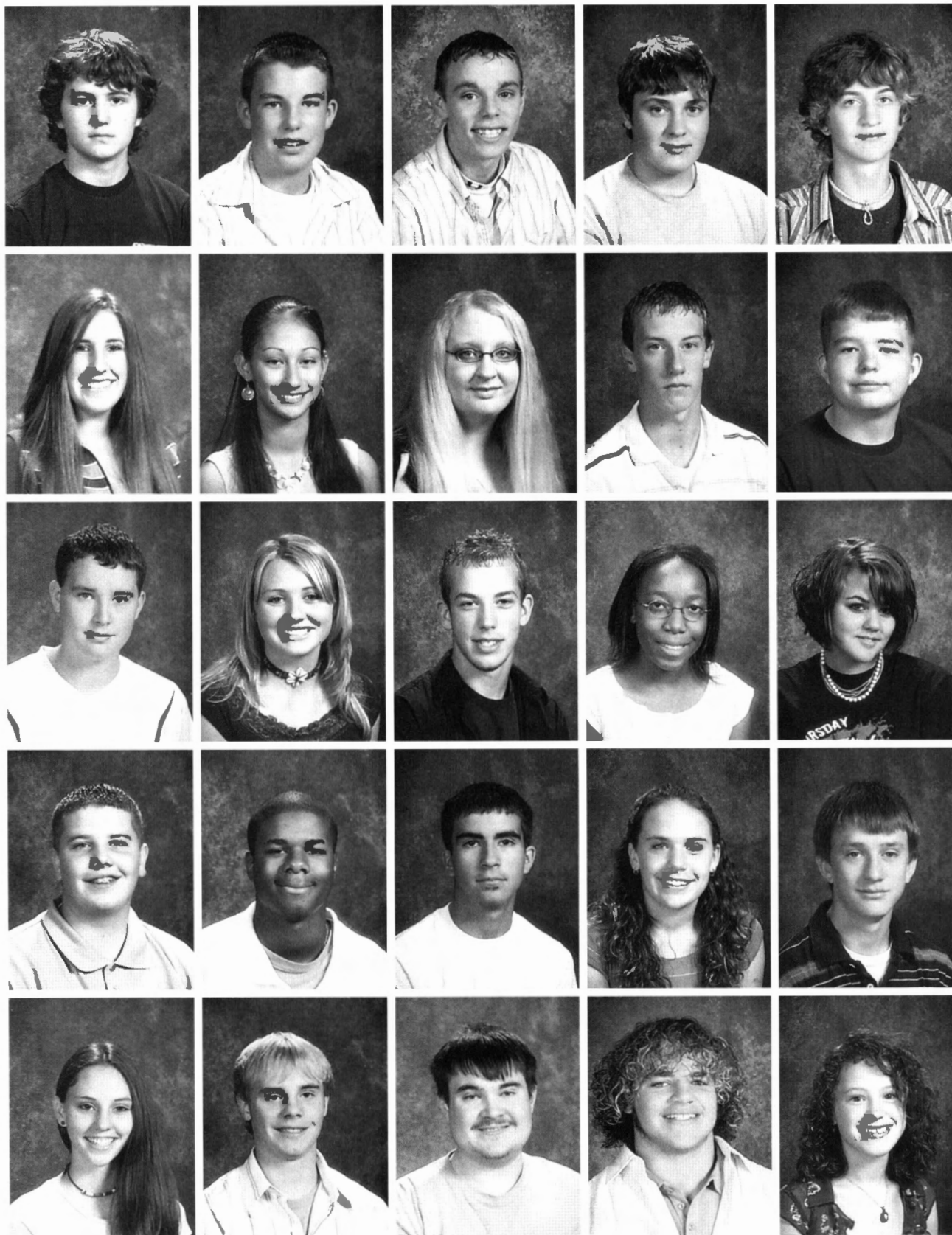
**Meaning:** Jehovah Saves

"I don't think people care about what their names mean. But it seems kind of important to know what your name means. What if it is bad?" asked sophomore Joshua Sabrosky. Sabrosky already knew the meaning of his name.

"I also think a name can match a person and their personality. Some people just look like their name," said Sabrosky.







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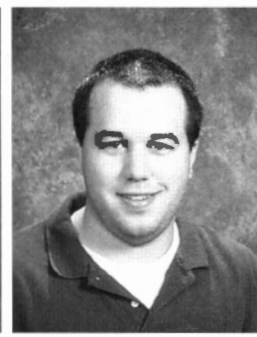
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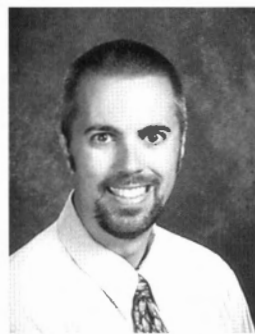
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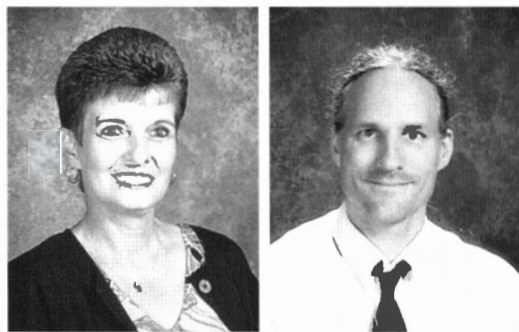
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# THEIR TRUE FEELINGS

by Justine Kozlina

## *How our interns feel*



"I love the staff, but I really love the students. They all have the same willingness and ability to learn."

Intern Monica Jones



"I'm enjoying my experience and I feel spoiled because of all the opportunities Holt has (to offer)."

Intern Sara Knoth

# KNOW YOUR INTERNS

by Justine Kozlina

## *Match interns to teachers*



1. "He's a hard working guy that puts a lot of energy into what he's doing."

Math Teacher Mike Lehman



2. "I think she's an excellent teacher. She holds students to high standards and she's a lot of fun to work with."

English Teacher Christine Fisher



3. "She does an excellent job anticipating students needs and connecting to their lives."

English Teacher Deb Childers



4. "She's very organized and on the ball. She keeps me on my toes."

Biology Teacher Heather Peterson



5. "She's very organized and thorough and she stays on task more than I do."

Chemistry teacher Mary Boulanger

Answers: 1.D., 2.A., 3.B., 4.E., 5.C.



# QUESTION & ANSWER

by Carmen Quinn

*Featuring: Brooke Klecha*

Why did you come to teach at HHS?

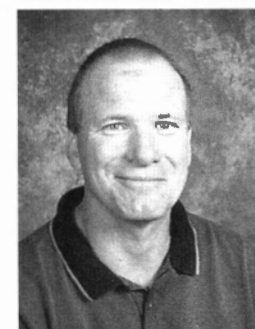
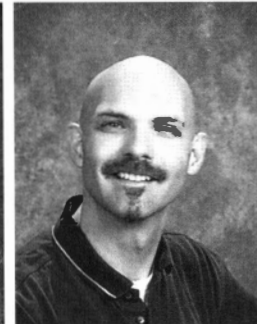
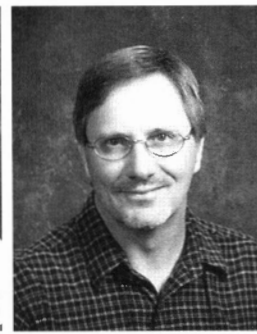
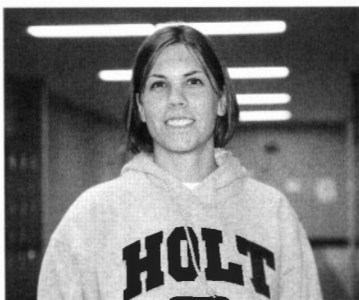
"It's the perfect location for me and it was a great job opportunity. I can coach volleyball and track. I also love teaching in the upper level."

How do you like it so far?

"I love it."

Are you planning on staying with us at HHS for a long time?

"Yes, a very long time!"



## WHY TEACH AT HOLT?

by Carmen Quinn

*10 reasons why.*

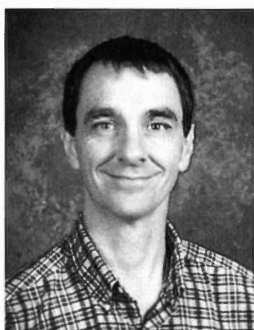
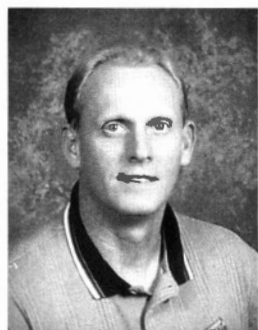
- 1.) Great resources for the students
- 2.) Student population and diversity
- 3.) Location, location, location
- 4.) Great facilities
- 5.) Friendly Staff and supportive administration
- 6.) Classes offered in FCS programs
- 7.) Special Education program
- 8.) District is close to home
- 9.) Great sports program
- 10.) Many great opportunities for teachers and students

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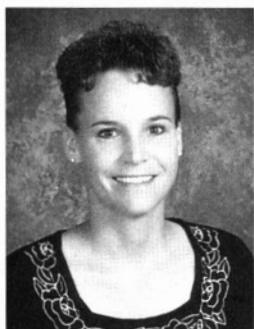
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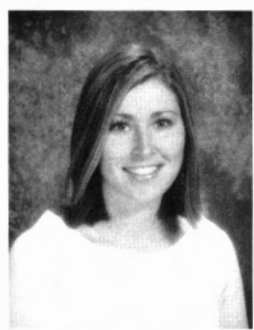
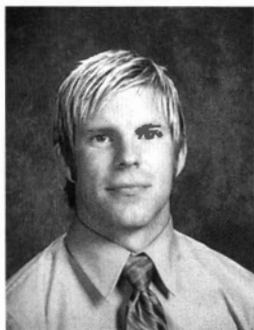
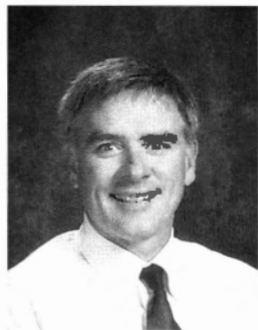




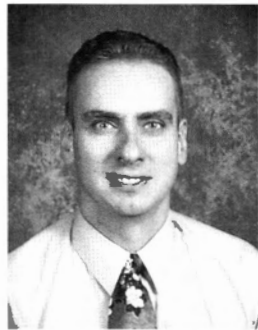
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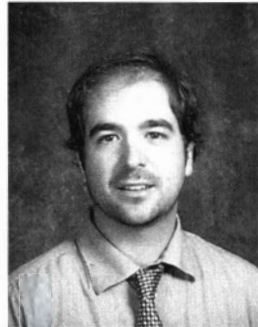
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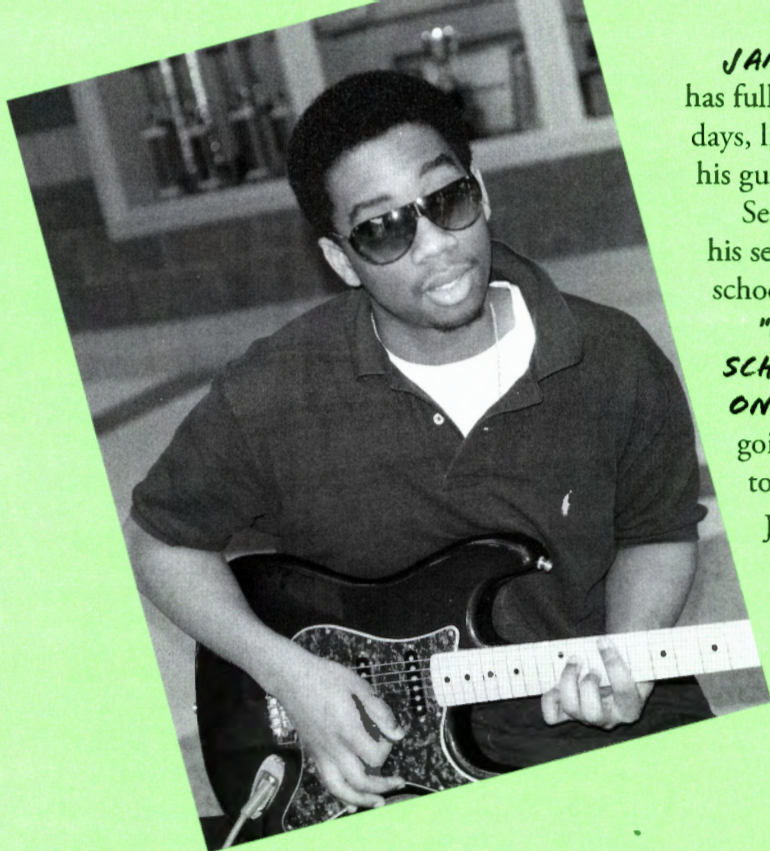






# ARCHIVES - DEM. - SO -IC





**JAMAL KNOX** or J-knox, his musician name, has full blown senioritis. Knox is all for fun these days, listening to all kinds of music and playing his guitar.

Senioritis has overtaken Knox since he started his senior year, but it hasn't affected his post high school plans.

**"I CAN'T WAIT TO GET OUT OF HIGH SCHOOL, FOR THE FREEDOM AND MOVE ONTO BIGGER AND BETTER THINGS,** I'm going to LCC for a year then going to the city to make it as a musician under Jamal Knox or J-knox," said Knox.

Even though he's ready to leave, he will also miss high school.

**"WHAT I WILL MISS MOSTLY IS MY FRIENDS, THE GOOD TIMES AND ALL THE MEMORIES MADE,"** said Knox.

# TORN UP BY SENIORITIS

When senioritis sets in, seniors do all they can to come to class and do their homework.

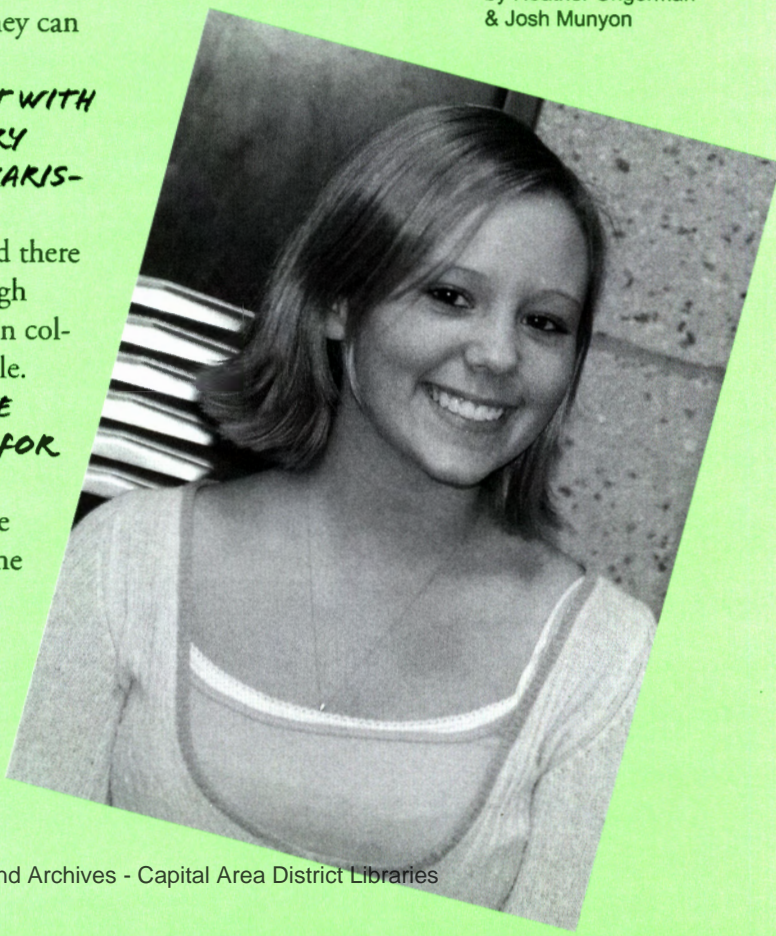
**"I HAVE MORE TIME TO HANG OUT WITH MY FRIENDS BECAUSE I DON'T WORRY ABOUT MY HOMEWORK,"** said senior **KARIS-SA PHILLIPS**.

Preparing for college can be exciting and there are more freedoms that come with it. In high school there is a set time for classes, while in college students can arrange their own schedule.

**"I AM EXCITED THAT I WON'T HAVE TO GET UP EARLY IN THE MORNING FOR SCHOOL ANYMORE,"** said Phillips.

Phillips plans on attending LCC for one year of general classes. After the first year she plans to go into LCC's medical and dental program. Her future plans are strong and she had not allowed senioritis to affect her too much.

by Heather Ungerman  
& Josh Munyon





# SENIORITIS

by Heather Ungerman & Jared Buxton

Senioritis tends to set in early on senior year and is easily detectable. Most commonly characterized by sleeping in class, not turning in - or even bothering to do - homework and a general lack of motivation to study.

**"THE MAIN THING IS THAT STUDENTS TEND TO SHUT-DOWN. THE TIME AND ENERGY THAT USED TO BE PUT IN IS NO LONGER THERE** and students are limited in learning," said counselor **STEPHANIE KINGSLEY**. The apathy that occurs in senior students at this point of time is incurable.

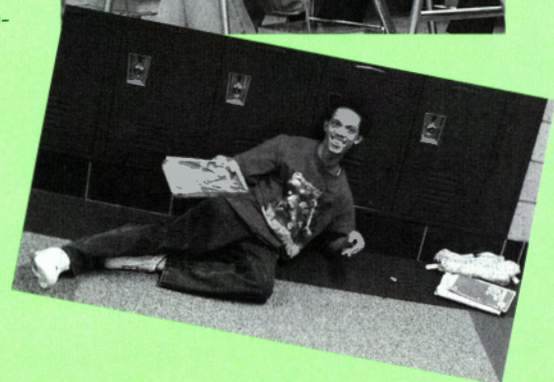
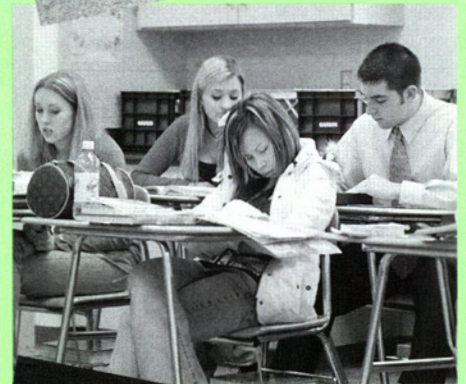
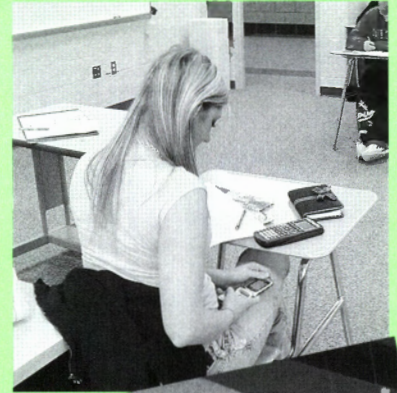
This lack of motivation comes from plain exhaustion and anticipation of graduation. During senior year, students tend to want to take easier classes to make their last year of high school a breeze. This would be known as a "slacker schedule."

After twelve long years of schooling, and with the end in sight, motivation to continue on the path of homework completion has been severed and the slacker schedule makes its debut. **"I TOOK SLACKER CLASSES SO THAT I WOULD HAVE A FUN LAST YEAR WITH ALL MY FRIENDS,"** said senior **COREY BURT**.

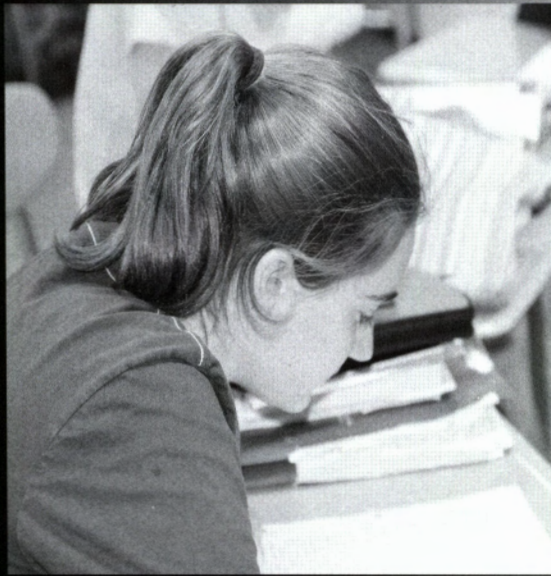
In fact, the only motivation to come to school comes with the promise of no second semester exams. Seniors with two or fewer excused absences are exempt from finals.

This devastating disease has a strong, negative impact on college, since colleges do get second semester transcripts, and can reject students with bad second semester grades even if the student has already been accepted. Not only is nonacceptance a problem, but the loss of knowledge as well.

**"Even though some students think they know what they want to do, BY SLACKING, THE SKILL LEVEL THAT STUDENTS HAVE IS LOWER THAN IT SHOULD BE IN COLLEGE, THEY MISS OUT ON LEARNING AND STRUGGLE A BIT MORE,"** said Kingsley.







Sometimes **SLACKING** for people is just not an option. To keep her 4.0 grade point average, senior **STACEY STANLEY** cannot even think of slacking.

"My friends, family, and coaches motivate me. Also my future does; knowing that what I do today will affect my future makes me work hard to achieve my goals," said Stanley.

Even though being 4.0 student, and the future in mind, **TEMPTATION TO SLACK IS ALWAYS PRESENT.**

"I'm especially tempted to slack right now because I'm almost done and everything seems to be repeti-tive. It's not senioritis but pretty close, I do the work even though I don't want to," said Stanley.

# Over Achiever SLACKER

Most people consider **SLACKERS** as those who don't care, don't try, and really just don't have the drive to do anything at all. This is not entirely true for Junior **DEREK LYNCH.**

"It's not that I don't care and don't try, I just know what I need to graduate and it's **POINTLESS** to do more than needed. **I DO WHAT I NEED TO GET BY AND PASS THE CLASS,**" said **LYNCH.**

Most people that are considered "**SLACKERS**" don't like to let school interfere with their **SOCIAL LIVES.**

"It's hard to do well when I know that I'm going to go to a community college like LCC, and because I think school is a **WASTE OF TIME,**" said Lynch.









# Advice from the pros

by Heather Ungerman

Advanced placement classes are hard work and require immense dedication. AP Literature teacher Amy Kilbridge gives advice to students who wish to take AP in the future. "If you want to be successful you have to have a love and curiosity about literature. If students wish to be in AP they should work hard now. An open mind is the best advice for my class because we read a lot of different books," said Kilbridge.



## Why did you take AP?

by Heather Ungerman



"Yes, I'm glad I took it. You get college credit for the class and it pushes you harder."

Senior Audrey Dowell



"I wanted a harder challenge and it is going to prepare me for college better than a normal class."

Senior Jake Moreno

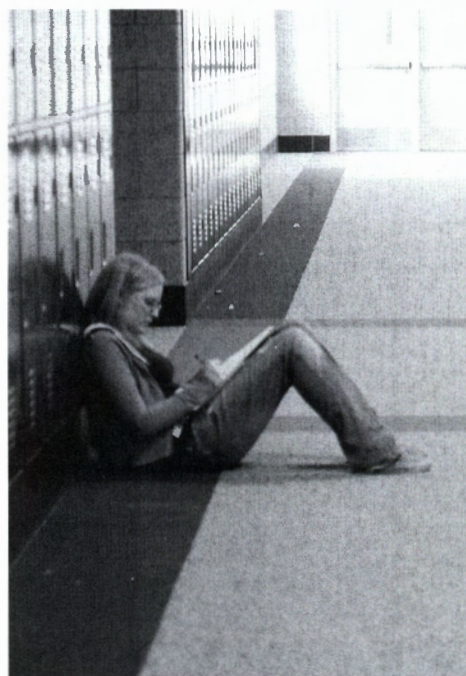
## What's the difference?

by Heather Ungerman

- Faster pace
- Harder tests and quizzes
- More homework
- Test and quiz scoring system
- More involved
- Participating in activities exclusive to AP

The silver bottle experiment is what the students of AP chemistry look forward to most. Senior **Justine Kozlina** funnels her solution from her beaker into her bottle. Students then had to shake the bottle continuously until the bottle turned silver. This could take as long as ten minutes. Photo by Heather Ungerman

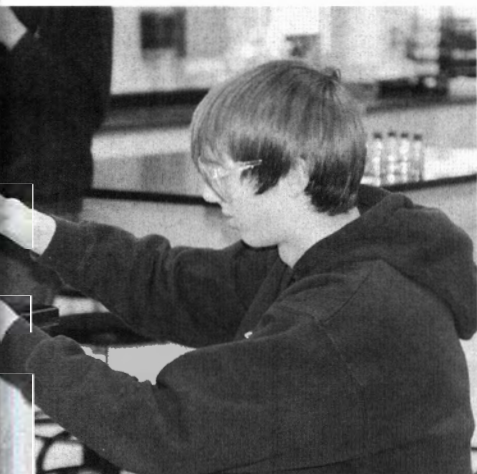
Catching up on some class work in the hallway senior **Erin Conley** finishes a quiz. Conley along with other students were glad that they took the challenge of an AP class. "It's probably going to help out a lot for college and if I pass the AP test, I'll get college credit," Conley said. Photo by Heather Ungerman



Once finished with her quiz, senior **Jenifer Fisher** takes some time to read the book *Pride and Prejudice*, by Jane Austin. Students have to take more time to read books in AP Literature. "Books are challenging because you can't just read them. You have to search deep to figure out meanings and themes of books, and be ready to discuss it with the class," said Fisher. Photo by Heather Ungerman







Measuring ammonia into his graduated cylinder senior **Nathan Warner** prepares for his experiment. "We have been looking forward to the silver bottle lab all year," said Warner. Measurements had to be precise in order to successfully complete this experiment.  
*Photo by Heather Ungerman*

# Academic prep

by Heather Ungerman

AP classes, which give students the opportunity to test out of classes normally required in college, are not top on many students' lists. An AP test costs about eighty dollars and takes three hours to complete. One college course, which is three credits, costs approximately \$700.00. Students who pass an AP test receive college credit and therefore do not have to take the class in college.

AP classes look better on college applications because they are the highest courses offered. It shows colleges that the student is dedicated and wants to learn. The pace in AP is faster so it also shows that the student understands and learns material faster.

**Students take the challenge**

Since AP moves at a faster pace, the AP classes get to do activities other classes do not get the opportunity to complete. Science teacher Dave Foy's AP Chemistry class got to partake in interesting experiments that the regular Chemistry students do not, such as the silver bottle experiment. "It was interesting to see the solution change into the end product," said senior Courtney Wardell about the experiment.

## Count on this for AP

by Heather Ungerman



**172** - Number of students in all AP classes

**5** - Number of AP teachers

**80** - Cost of one AP test in dollars

**5** - Number of AP courses offered

**10** - Number of books read in AP Literature

**3** - Number of hours allowed for an AP test

**3** - Number of weeks to finish a book in AP Literature



# One time at band camp

by Sarah Turner & Kelly Hamelin

- "Abby made a "Real World: Band Camp" and we taped confessions. They were funny to watch later." Jessica Dotson.
- "We had twenty people in one of the dorm rooms playing Halo until one in the morning." Chris McClure
- "My roommates and I use to listen to music all night and dance around tables." Tiffany Smitley
- "Me, Chris, James, and Cayden took all the caution wet floor signs and taped them on the ceiling all down the hall. Chris still has one of the signs." Shaun Spivak
- "My favorite tradition was playing ultimate frisbee every year." Ben Wheaton

## Seniors share their favorite stories

# Staying in tune

by Kelly Hamelin & Sarah Turner

Everyone loves to watch them at halftime and parades. They keep the spirit high by playing the Holt Fight Song. The band along with the baton and flag twirlers worked hard to keep us entertained and having fun. What most people aren't aware of is the work and time that went into making the performances so impressive.

"People who aren't in band don't realize how hard being in band is, whether it's marching at a game or paying a concert. Everything we do is rehearsed. Every inch on the football field means more to us than the actual players," said sophomore Stephanie Self.

Even though being a part of the band is quite challenging, band members still enjoyed the overall experience.

"I really enjoy being part of the band. We all have a good time together," said sophomore Emma Trout.

## "We all have a good time together"



Joking around with friends before one of the half time performances sophomore **Nick Strong** prepares to take the field. Strong was involved in band since middle school and plans to continue through the rest of high school. "Marching is hard at first, it takes a while before you get the hang of it," said Strong. Photo by Sarah Turner

## New direction

by Kelly Hamelin & Sarah Turner



Michael Emerson was the new band director for Holt High School. He graduated from Michigan State University and started his teaching career as the band director at Gaylord High School. "The opportunity here at Holt is exactly what I was looking for," said Mr. Emerson.





**Practicing a new song during class** juniors **Matt Corkins** and **James Bryde** play the xylophone. Corkins and Bryde have been part of the drum line for two years. "Drum line is a lot of fun. All of us get along so well we're like a family," said Bryde. *Photo by Trina Rawlinson*



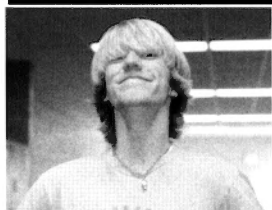
**The flag line girls give one last pep talk** before a halftime performance. Participating in flag line required hours and hours of practice, just like the rest of the marching band. "I've been part of flag line for six years. I really love how everyone is so friendly and we all have a common goal," said senior **Nicole Powers**. *Photo by Sarah Turner*



**A drum sounds in the hallway** from a distance as marching band members parade through the commons before the football team's first playoff game. "Marching through the halls has become known as a tradition before big games," said sophomore **Morgan Wilson**. *Photo by Sarah Turner*

## Leader of the pack: Mr. Emerson

by Kelly Hamelin



"He's a wonderful young man. He makes things fun. I love him."

Junior  
Cayden Bunnell



"He really had to live up to what Mr. Perry did, and he has done a great job."

Sophomore  
Stephanie Self



"He keeps us all entertained and makes me look forward to coming to class."

Sophomore  
Nate Zimmer



"He makes the football games fun for all of us twirlers. He's really funny."

Sophomore  
Megan Murray



"He's really animated. Everyone likes him a lot."

Senior  
Erin Conley



# How many?

by Josh Munyon

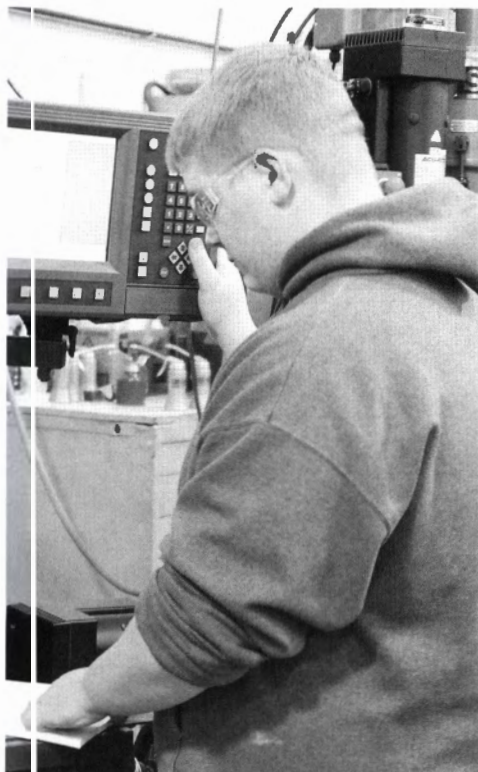
- 120 - Holt students enrolled
- 28 - Total programs available
- 2.0 - Minimum credits earned
- 11<sup>th</sup> - Earliest grade to enroll
- 11 - Participating school districts
- 160 - Minutes in class each day
- 5 - Days of allotted absences

# Andrew Sharrah gets an "A"

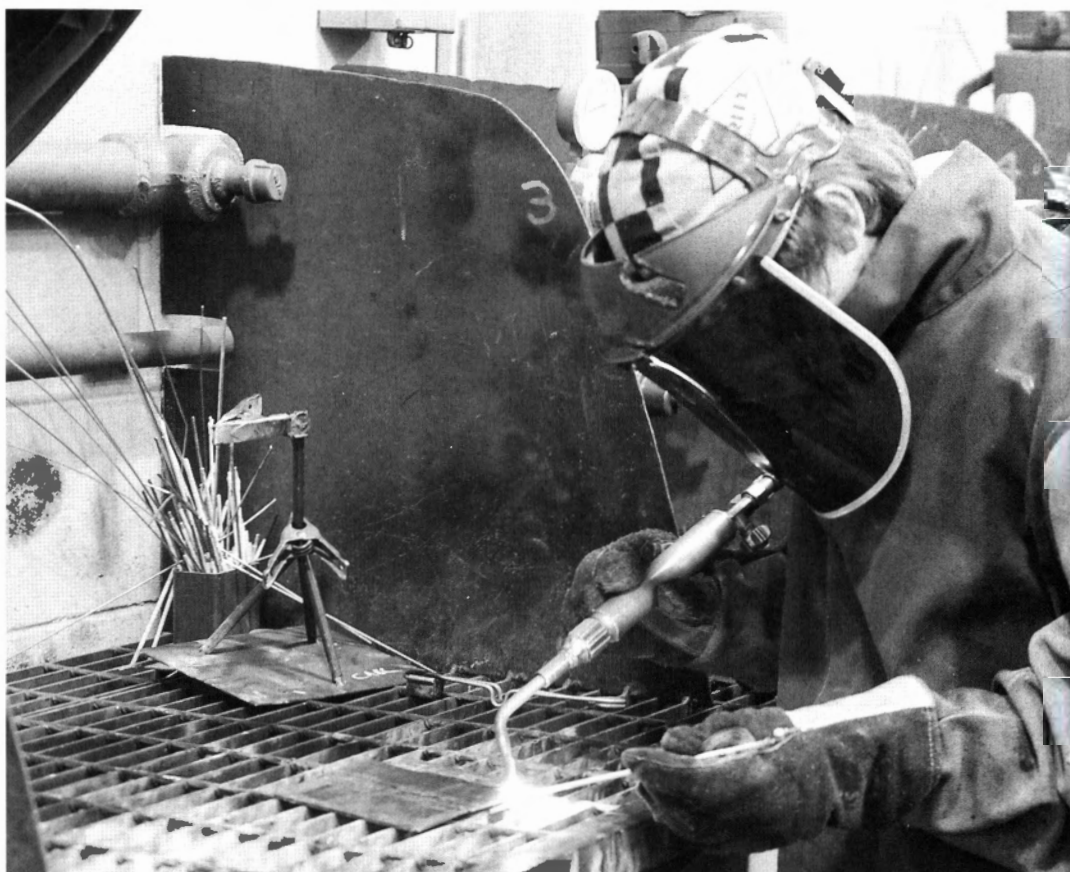
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"I go to the Career Center so I can get A Plus certified, which is what I want to do for my career," said senior Andrew Sharrah. Sharrah's A Plus certification will allow him to go into the field of computer maintenance. "It's hard, really hard," Sharrah said, "everyday we have a lecture, a power point, a lab, and finally a quiz." Many students find the opportunity beneficial, "the Career Center can get me work experience, a job, and even internships for more hands on experience," said Sharrah.



**Concentrating on the page in front of him, senior Jim Scavarda** uses the computer to blueprint a Central Michigan University plate. The Precision Machining class not only allowed students to learn the skills required in the automotive and aircraft fields, but making medical instruments as well. *Photo by Josh Munyon*



**Replacing a gas cap on a Pontiac Torrid, senior Lars Hedin** works hard in the Collision Repair program. The program taught students about auto body repair, painting, and different redesign techniques. This program could lead to an immediate job placement or serve as a stepping stone for another career. *Photo by Josh Munyon*




"People can be prepared for their careers instead of wasting time at school." - Junior Katie Lawson



# Tricks of the trade

- by Josh Munyon
- Have good attendance: too many absences can result in loss of credit.
  - Take the p.m. classes: so Wednesday is always a half day.
  - Don't dilly dally: work hard, it helps a lot with college.
  - Go above and beyond: take the extra tests to get more college credit.



**Welding with a blow torch, senior Andy Cooke** stick welds in the Welding class offered by the Career Center. The program teaches students the different techniques and processes of welding which include oxy-fuel cutting and brazing. *Photo by Josh Munyon*



**Practicing her cooking skills for the Culinary Arts class, senior Angela Foster** makes a tasty peanut butter treat: buckeyes. The Culinary Arts program offers the students the chance to get out of the classroom and learn to make food. *Photo by Josh Munyon*

# Top 10 CACC classes

by Josh Munyon

1. Auto Technology
2. Health Occupations
3. Welding
4. Auto Body
5. Culinary Arts
6. Construction Trades
7. Computer Programming
8. Cosmetology
9. Electronics
10. Early Childhood and Development



**Checking out the bottom of a dragster, senior Fred Kretzinger** takes advantage of the hands on experience that the career center offers. *Photo by Josh Munyon*

## Looking ahead

by Lauren Siebert & Josh Munyon

By the time the eleventh grade rolls around, the traditional classroom setting can seem dull and bland for many students. Thankfully, the Capital Area Career Center allowed students from eleven different Lansing-area school districts to learn outside the classroom in a hands on environment.

The Career Center allowed students to learn about the career fields that they were interested in and gain college credit. Even if students were not sure about their career, the center allowed them to explore possibilities. "I wasn't sure what I wanted to do exactly, but the program sounded fun and now I like it a lot," said junior Brandon Simons.

The career center offered valuable experience; the work experience students gained will aid significantly in future careers. "Everything that I learned from the Career Center will really help me when I try to get a job in the future," said senior Rory Lynch.

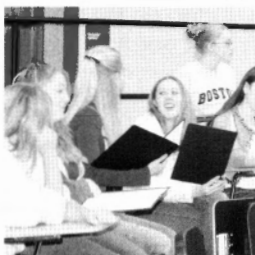
**Students prepare for the future**



# Reasons to join choir

by Justine Kozlina

1. The love of singing
2. Friends in the class
3. Growing as a musician
4. Silly vocal exercises
5. No homework
6. Memories
7. Mr. Bishop
8. An easy A
9. A new experience
10. Girls, girls, girls



**Goofing around between** songs, Cantique girls show that they know how to have fun. *Photo by Jake Bonotto*

*Survey of 42 choir students*



## A look at Kelly Hall

by Justine Kozlina



The people, the music, and choir teacher Monty Bishop are a few of the reasons senior Kelly Hall will miss when choir is over. She has been singing for as long as she can remember. "I stayed in choir because I love music and it's fun," said

Hall. Hall's favorite choir moments happened on the way to competitions where the singers bonded on the bus. Hall stated, "I love being a diva this year." In choir lingo, being a diva means being an alto singer. Hall participates in both Chorale and Cantique.

## Fast facts: choir

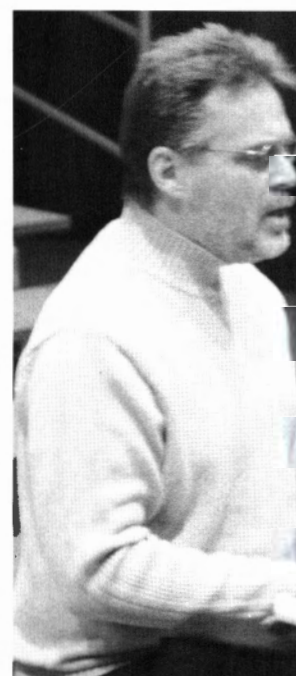
by Justine Kozlina

- 75** - Number of students in choir
- 3** - Number of choir classes
- 2** - Number of students in two choir classes
- 79.7%** - Percent of choir students who are female
- 32** - Number of awards on the choir wall



**Performing at the holiday concert,** the Men of Holt - or MoH - sing "Winter Fantasy" a fun piece of music that is a real crowd pleaser. "MoH is a breath of fresh air," choir director **Monty Bishop** said with enthusiasm. This was the second year MoH has been part of the choir program. *Photo by Josh Munyon*

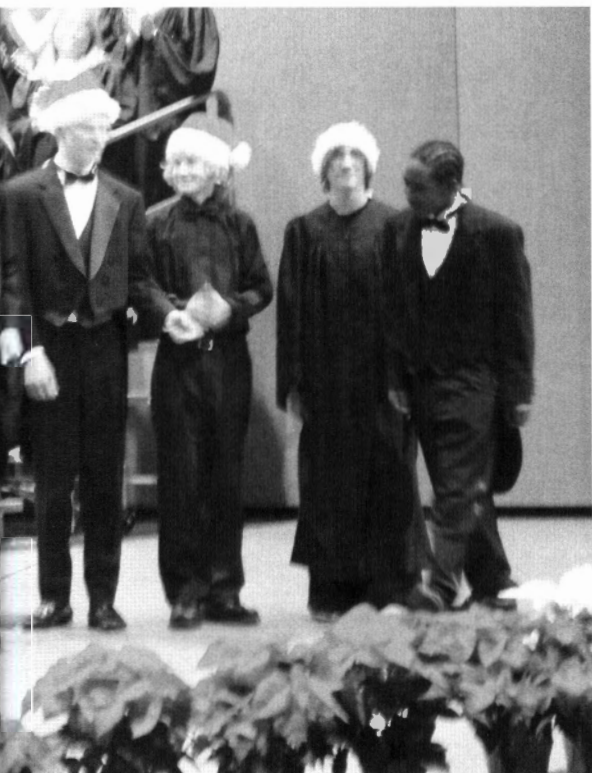
**Year after year choir director Monty Bishop** continues to impress the community with his leadership skills and ability to create successful choirs. From taking choirs to state festivals to directing entire theater productions. Bishop always brings out the best in his students. Bishop said the success was from, "a mutual dedication from both the students and the teacher." *Photo by Jake Bonotto*







**Making music and pleasing the crowd,** Chorale lives up to its reputation for excellence. Chorale was an audition-only choir composed of both male and female singers. They had a history of doing great things like making it to state festivals. *Photo by Josh Munyon*



**Rehearsing for a holiday concert** junior **Elizabeth Aylsworth** contributes to the great sound that Chorale produces time and time again. This was Aylsworth's second year in Chorale; she was one of the strongest sopranos this year. Aylsworth hopes to one day perform on Broadway. *Photo by Jake Bonotto*

# Singing for success

by Justine Kozlina & Jake Bonotto

Competing for state and regional titles are not what comes to mind when most people think of choir, yet competition is what the Holt choirs do best. Senior Sami Byer said the choir's biggest accomplishment was, "performing at the state choral festival and receiving a second division rating." In choir, performances are ranked from one to four, with one being the best.

"The biggest accomplishment in my experience has been Cantique making the Midwest conference," said senior Kelly Hall.

At Holt there were three choir classes: Concert chorus, Cantique, and Chorale. For both Cantique and Chorale students were required to audition to be accepted. Other annual performances included the Messiah, the Holt Performing Arts festival, and Cabaret. As if choir wasn't busy enough, members also put on the senior recital and a euchre tournament through Chorus council. Chorus council met every Wednesday morning to discuss issues in class and out.

**Choirs better than ever**

## Spotlight on choir

by Justine Kozlina



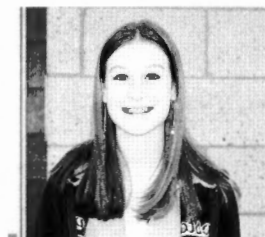
"In singing you can accomplish something you can do nowhere else, it's not about you it's about the group."

Senior Faran Clark



"Choir is the [bomb] because all the people are awesome, choir is fun, and Mr. B. is amazing."

Senior Ben Morse



"It's fun, but it's a lot of hard work. You make up for all the work by making really good friends."

Sophomore Amy Stuart



# Russia by the numbers

by Brooke Darling

143,420,309 - Population of Russia  
 17,075,200 - Area in square kilometers  
 79,400 - Area of water in square kilometers  
 17,608,800 - Number of cell phones in use  
 87,157 - Total kilometers of railways  
 2.31 - Million barrels per day of oil consumption  
 447 - Number of FM radio stations  
 7,306 - Number of TV broadcast stations  
 2,586 - Number of airports  
 5,633 - Miles of elevation at the highest point

Information supplied by the CIA World Factbook Website

# Welcome to Michigan

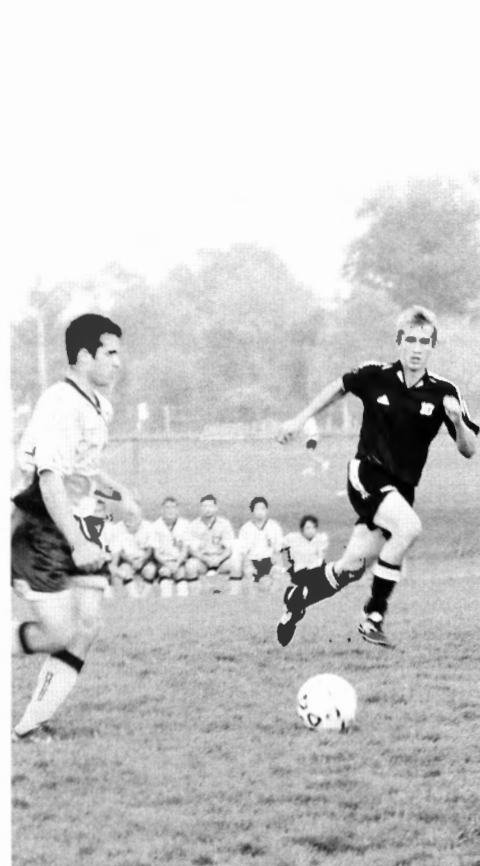
by Brooke Darling & Sandra McCormick

Ever want to visit another country or experience another culture first hand? Well, if you do you should talk to one of Holt's seven exchange students who have come from Columbia, Spain, Siberia, Russia, Norway, Azereigan, and South Korea to experience American life.

The process of becoming an exchange student was not an easy task. Students had to sign up, take personality tests, prove they had adequate English skills, and most had to pay. In Russia, for example, they had to participate in a competition and in Azereigan they had to take tests out of which only 50/2,000 people were selected.

The work for the exchange students does not stop there; once they arrive, they have to complete volunteer hours determined by their country. Even though the process was difficult none of the students had regrets and agreed that the reward of being able to experience culture and life in the U.S. was definitely worth it.

"My mom really wanted me to go."



**Rushing to play defense and stop** a Lansing Eastern player on a break away for a goal, senior **Mathias Hov** contributes to this year's varsity soccer team. The game against Lansing Eastern resulted in a loss with a score of 0-1 when Holt had opportunities to score but was unable to finish. "The soccer season was really fun, I am just not used to practicing every day," said Hov. The season ended with a 12-3-5 record overall. Photo by Brooke Darling

## Top experiences

by Sandra McCormick

1. Visit New York
2. Get a wider view of the world
3. Get to know people
4. Visit the Upper Peninsula
5. Meet friends
6. Visit Florida
7. Improve English skills
8. Travel
9. Learn about a different culture
10. Have fun





At an exchange student outing, seniors **Nicolas Barrera, Daniel Sanchez, Aleksey Klimentev, and Rustam Guynullin** visit Grand Valley State University in November of 2005. They were accompanied by a fellow foreign exchange student from Hungary. The day was set up specifically for exchange students in Michigan. *Courtesy Photo*



It's time to play dress up for seniors **Daniel Sanchez, Aleksey Klimentev, Farana Abdullayeva and Rustam Guynullin's** first Halloween in the United States. Each of them dressed up as a different character: Klimentev went as Michael Jackson, Sanchez went as a pilot, Guynullin went as The Punisher, and Abdullayeva went as an Arabian girl. "We went trick or treating with big bags," said Klimentev. *Courtesy Photo*

Senior foreign exchange students **Daniel Sanchez, Nicolas Barrera, and Rustam Guynullin** pose for a picture before the MSU vs. U of M game (31,34). As part of the requirements for becoming a foreign exchange student, Sanchez, Barrera, and Guynullin each worked concessions during the Michigan State football games. "We get to see some of the game. Normally the fourth quarter," said Sanchez. *Courtesy Photo*

## What should you bring to their countries ?

by Brooke Darling & Sandra McCormick



"If you come to Norway you should bring warm clothes."

**Mathias Hov,**  
Norway



"I'm not sure, it's basically just like Michigan, only milder."

**Farana Abdullayeva,**  
Azereigan



"You should bring money so we can have fun."

**Aleksey Klimentev,**  
Russia



"You don't need to bring anything, but you should learn to use chopsticks."

**Jessica Jo,**  
South Korea



"Bring a camera, because there are many beautiful places."

**Nicolas Barrera,**  
Columbia



# Top exams

by Sarah Turner

- **PLAN-** Sophomore test to help pick a career
- **MEAP-** Michigan Educational Assessment Program
- **SAT-** Three hour exam to test students' high school education before college.
- **ACT-** Much like the SAT, but is the most widely accepted college entrance exam.
- **Scholarship-** Some scholarships require applicants to take exams in order to be eligible.

## Check before you test

by Sarah Turner

- ✓ Study (and not just the night before)
- ✓ Sleep (yes, this means more than four hours)
- ✓ Healthy breakfast (no, brownies aren't healthy)
- ✓ Bring a calculator to math (duh)
- ✓ Answer questions you know first (it's easier)
- ✓ Turn off your cell phone (like every other day)
- ✓ Number two pencil (this should be a given)
- ✓ No art work on tests (patterns on bubble sheets is not an accurate way to take a test)

## To study or not to study

by Sarah Turner



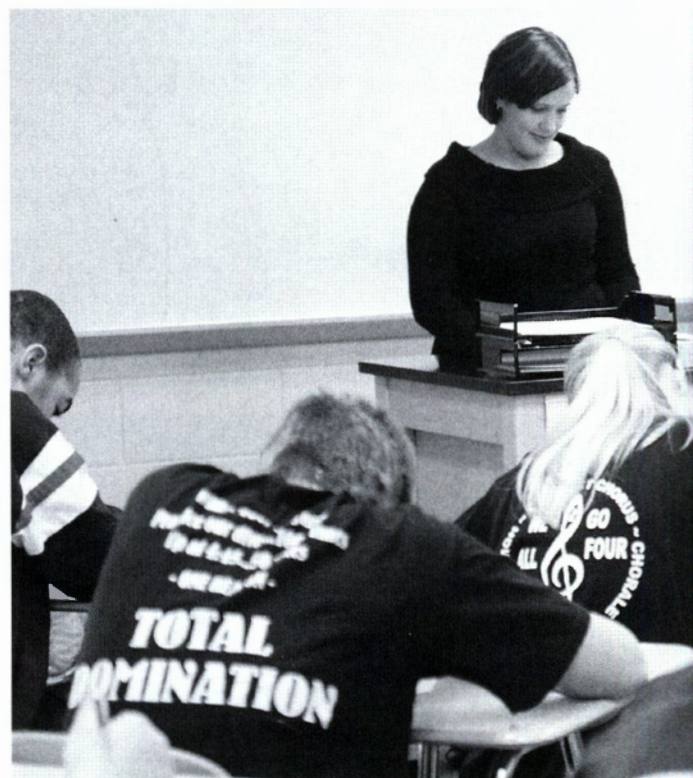
"If I don't already know the material by the time exams come around then studying seems pointless."

Senior Spencer Couturier



"I go to Beaners and study for a long time with people that are in my classes."

Junior Kelly Young



### Pencils are up as Biology teacher

**Sara Knoth** waits for students to finish their tests on cell organelles. "Tests are important because they let the students see what types of questions will be presented on the final exam," said Knoth.

*Photo by Sarah Turner*

### Taking time to work on a Spanish

project, teacher **Karen Holman-Cervera's** class works at a steady pace. "Hands on projects give the students the experience of finding the information for themselves. Then when they have to present it to the class in their own words it helps them remember what they learned, because they are teaching others from their own product," said Cervera. *Photo by Sarah Turner*





# Crunch time: exams

by Sarah Turner

**Helping students out in the library** librarian **Theresa Asch** and biology teacher **Lisa Weise** find it important for the students to use the library. "For the most part I think students use the library well for studying. It is a good place that is comfortable and quiet. We provide a lot of resources for students to use, most commonly used is the computers," said Asch. *Photo by Sarah Turner*

It is the week that most students become very stressed: exam week. Six classes, projects, review sheets, and group study sessions sometimes aren't enough to be fully prepared for the tests students must take.

Why do we take these tests? "To find out accumulatively what students know, and see if they got the big themes in the class. The tests also help prepare for college," said English and history teacher Matthew Trunk.

## Why do we take tests and exams?

Not only are there final exams for classes, there are also standardized tests required by the state. Sophomore year the PLAN test is used to help students get an idea of what career path they might want to pursue. Junior year the MEAP test is taken so students can get the Michigan merit award of \$2,500 for a college scholarship. During senior year there aren't any required tests; however, certain tests like the ACT and SAT are required for college admissions.

## A little counseling

by Sarah Turner

Counselor Stephanie Kingsley has been helping students look into college options for a long time. An important part of applying for college is knowing what exams are necessary.

"How dedicated a student is will determine how seriously they will take their exams," said Kingsley. Not only was she talking about college exams but final exams for high school classes as well.

"The purpose of final exams in high school is so the teachers can see what information students understood. The exams not only help the students retain what they learned, but it also helps the teachers assess what areas they need to spend more time teaching," said Kingsley.

Some students do not realize the impact exams can have on their futures. It is good to keep in mind that the next test or exam could make a difference for college and the future.



**During a study session in English** class senior **Mike Serna** struggles to pay attention. "I just feel like teachers don't get to the point fast enough before exams. It just seems like they keep repeating themselves. I find it pointless," said Serna. *Photo by Sarah Turner*





# Rampart stats

by Trina Rawlinson & Kelly Hamelin

20 - People on the *Ramparts* staff

8 - Issues printed per school year

382 - Cost of each issue in dollars

2000 - Ad sales goal in dollars

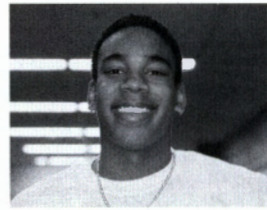
# Why did you join...

by Trina Rawlinson & Kelly Hamelin



"I joined because I wanted the school to see what I have to say."

Senior Amanda Rawlinson



"I thought it looked cool and I wanted to be involved with one of the publications."

Senior McKenzie Dickens

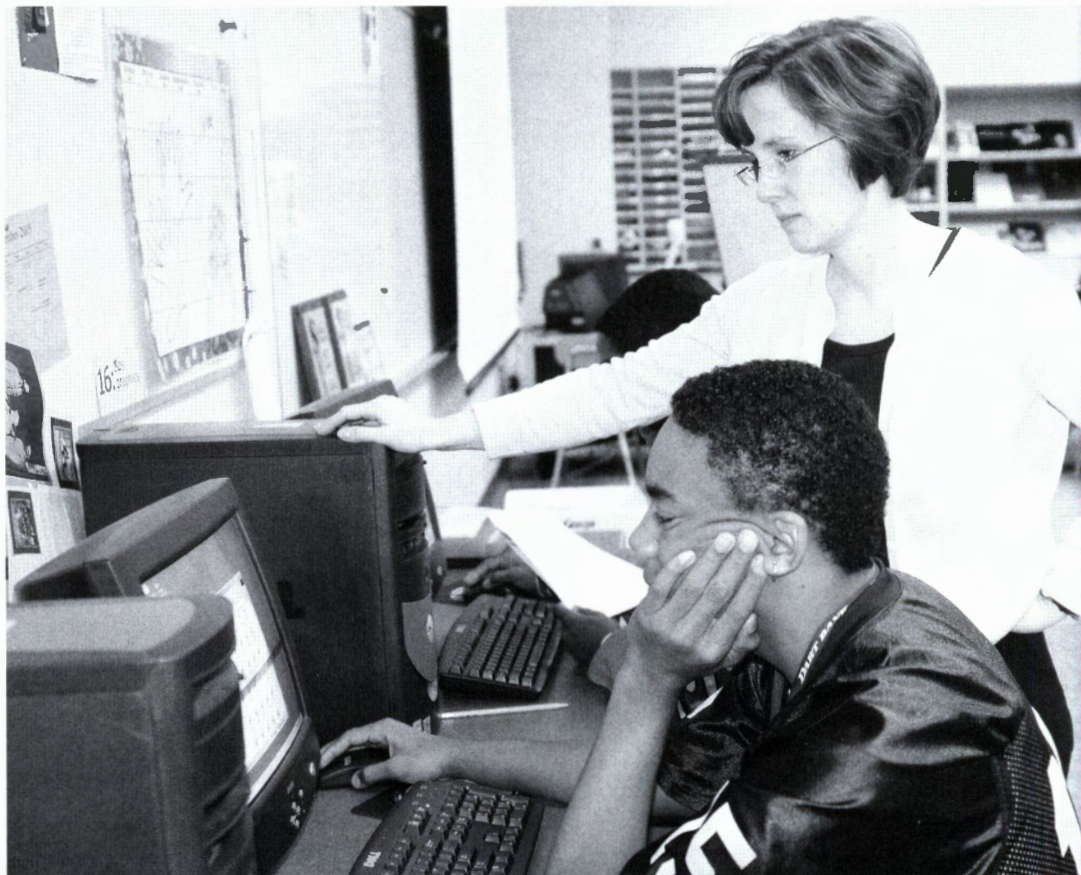


"I joined because I wanted a career in journalism."

Senior Beth Grayeski



Admiring the goals her classmates have accomplished, junior **Stavroula Kyriakopoulos** flips through the first *Ramparts* issue of the year. This is Kyriakopoulos first year on the newspaper staff. "My favorite part of the class is getting to know a lot of people, even though it's a hard class," said Kyriakopoulos. *Photo by Danielle Graham*



Flipping through a magazine senior editor **Beth Grayeski** looks for article ideas. This is Grayeski's third year in newspaper. Her favorite part of the class is seeing the finished product because of all the hard work that the newspaper staff puts into it. *Photo by Danielle Graham*

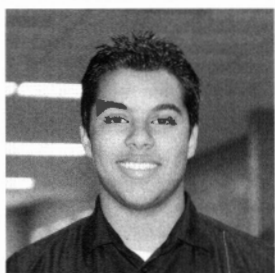


"Looking at the newspaper is something I look forward to." - Sophomore Missy Mohr



# Rookie of the year

by Trina Rawlinson & Kelly Hamelin



The majority of the newspaper class is made up of seniors and juniors. The only sophomore to be found is Tyler Vickers. "The upperclassmen are really supportive and really cool. Plus it's really cool to add a sophomore perspective to the paper," said Vickers.

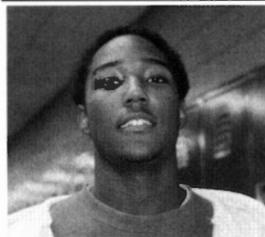
**Revising a page before a deadline** editor in chief **McKenzie Dickens** gets advice from advisor **Amy Clark**. "One of my favorite things about the class is getting to know my students in a completely different way than a traditional classroom," said Clark. Photo by Kelly Hamelin



**Looking through interviews senior Haley Hellems** prepares to write her story for the upcoming deadline. "I really like newspaper because you get to know people and become friends with a lot of the fellow staffers. Even though the class is hard at times, I like it a lot," said Hellems. Photo by Danielle Graham

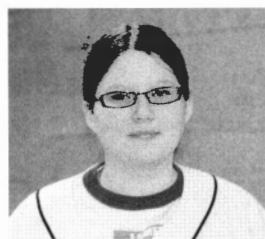
# The best part of *Ramparts*

by Trina Rawlinson & Kelly Hamelin



"The best part is being able to move at your own pace."

Senior Chris Cross



"Working a long time on the pages and seeing the finished product."

Senior Misty Mitchell



"Being in the newspaper class is a good start at what I want to do as a career."

Junior Lindsay Shorna

## Inside look

by Trina Rawlinson & Kelly Hamelin

You've noticed them during nutrition break: a stack of newspapers in one hand, collecting money with the other. Students wait for their chance to see if they're mentioned in the latest issue of *Ramparts*, Holt High School's newspaper. With a staff of 20 students, everyone had to do a lot of work to produce the newspaper.

"Whenever someone doesn't do their part, everyone suffers. It's a real team effort," said senior McKenzie Dickens. Dickens was one of the two editors in chief along with Beth Greyski.

"My least favorite part of the class is the deadlines because it's really stressful and I tend to not meet all the deadlines," said Greyski.

Students in the staff work for an hour during the regular school day and frequently stay after school to meet their deadlines. "When one student doesn't meet a deadline, it affects everyone else because there are several articles on each page," said advisor Amy Clark.

**"It's a real team effort."**



# New staffers speak out

by Heather Ungerman



"I thought it would be a good experience and I like interviewing and getting to know people. It makes me feel more involved in my school."

Junior Megan Schallau



"I like taking pictures and working with computers and Photoshop. I like meeting new people."

Senior Meagan Woodworth



"I took Intro to Journalism last year and liked working with the programs. I've always wanted to do the yearbook but last year I didn't get in."

Senior Danielle Graham

## T teamwork

by Heather Ungerman

Do you know what goes into the production of a yearbook? Many students do not realize what the yearbook staff goes through to produce the book.

"Many people think yearbook is just a blow off class but it takes a lot of dedication," said senior Sara Bullion. While most of the other high school students are relaxing, the yearbook staff has important tasks to complete during the summer. Each staffer was assigned a summer ad packet with different businesses to contact during the summer.

"Ad sales provide us with at least forty percent of the funds for the yearbook. Without ad sales our book would probably be less than 100 pages," said advisor Stephanie Mathers.

Staffers spend countless hours together, even staying after school to work on deadlines. "It makes things more fun if we get along because we have to spend so much time together," said sophomore Kelly Hamelin.

"It takes a lot of dedication"

Checking off students allows staff members to see who has already been included in the yearbook. Senior editor **Heather Ungerman** double checks to see if the people she would like on her page have not already been featured in the yearbook. Staff members try to include as many different people as possible. *Photo by Josh Munyon*



As a new yearbook staffer, senior **Josh Munyon** looks through previous yearbooks for ideas on page layout and design. "Once you get the hang of it it's pretty easy, but deadlines can be stressful because it's a lot of work," Munyon said. *Photo by Stephanie Mathers*



## Have what it takes?

by Heather Ungerman

- ✓ Submit an essay telling why you want to be in yearbook
- ✓ Sell ads over the summer
- ✓ Willing to spend time after school
- ✓ Works well with others
- ✓ Works well under pressure
- ✓ Have a car and a driver's license





**Learning the program InDesign** is one of the hardest parts for a new staffer. The yearbook staff uses Adobe InDesign to produce their yearbook spreads. Senior Editor **Kacie Dittenber** helps new sophomore staff members **Kelly Hamelin** and **Trina Rawlinson** with the program. "Someone has gone over it with us but you still have to figure things out for yourself," Hamelin said. *Photo by Stephanie Mathers*

**An icebreaker is a great way to start** off Monday morning staff meetings. Members of the yearbook staff get tangled up in a human knot for a team building activity. "I think the group bonding lightens the atmosphere. It is a time where we can bond without stress," said senior **Jake Bonotto**. The yearbook staff had a staff meeting every Monday morning to discuss what was going on during that week. *Photo by Stephanie Mathers*

## Numbers influence *Rampages* production

by Heather Ungerman



**20** - Number of yearbook staffers

**2** - Number of yearbook editors

**1** - Number of yearbook advisors

**1,397** - Number of students at HHS

**36,000** - Total cost of yearbook

**25** - Cost of a love note

**8,000** - Ads sales at ad deadline

**700** - Number of books sold

**799.95** - Cost of a digital camera

**20,000** - Ad sales goal

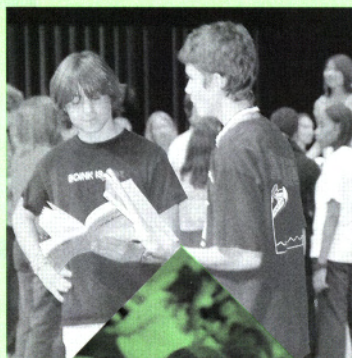


# STUDENT LIFE





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# EXTREME Weekends

by Jessica Hayes & Sara Bullion

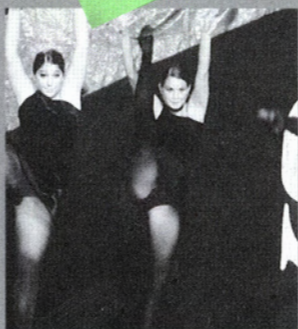


Senior **KAYLIN TOTEN** always has plans for her weekends, mostly due to her dance schedule.

"I love my recitals at the end of every year because I'm able to show everyone all of my hard work," said Totten.

Totten has been dancing she was 3 years old and has been in her studio's Senior Company for 6 years now.

"Changing into my different costumes on time before I perform and being on stage is stressful because I have to make sure my costumes are on right and fast," said Totten.



Showing off their talent, senior **JAMAL KNOX** and junior **JEVONTE FORTKX** perform their duet of singing and playing the guitar for students during lunch. "I play music because it's a God given talent. It's what I'm supposed to do in life and it makes me feel good to share my music with others," said Knox. *Photo by Jessica*



Repairing a computer during his class at the career center, senior **JAMAL PRICE** concentrates on the wires. "I attend the career center for Computer Repair and Maintenance. I plan on going into the computer field after college and I think the career center is the most practical class I have taken throughout high school," said Price. *Photo by Josh Munyon*



## CRAZY Study Habits of

Kaitlyn Shaffer & Ashleh Worden

by Sara Bullion & Sandra McCormick

When most high school students go to study, they head to someone's house or the local coffee shop; but not senior **KAITLYN SHAFFER** and junior **ASHLEH WORDEN** they head over to the local McDonald's.

"I like their fries and double cheeseburgers, and you're not very distracted since not many people eat in the lobby," said Shaffer.

"I really enjoy the windows. They allow the perfect amount of light in to help me concentrate," said Worden.





# CHAOTIC MOMENTS



The student section was amazing this year with their enthusiasm and dedication. Senior **BRANDON SPENCER** wrote a poem about the basketball team. "We were the champs last year, you see, Holt Rams basketball, you complete me," said Spencer. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*



Junior **TOM THORNTON**

"My **1ST** day of school at Holt I was really lost and I went to the wrong lunch. I couldn't find my class so a security guard had to help me and I was **45** minutes late."

"During my **8TH** grade year of lacrosse we won our first game so we celebrated by swimming in a huge mud puddle."



Junior **BRICK JURY**



Junior **JACOB MCINTOSH**

"Every day I try to get my homework done and my little sister always finds a way to distract me, whether it's changing her diaper or getting her a popsicle."

"I've been driving for almost **3** years and I have **6** speeding tickets. I don't like to go slow, I like to get places fast."



Senior **AMY WHITSELL**





# Road **RAGE** hits students

by Sara Bullion & Jessica Hayes

As more students get their licenses each year, accidents and tickets start to pile up. Whether they're caused by not paying any attention, simple mistakes, or road rage, most young drivers don't have it all together.

"I was driving back from hanging out in Thailand at two o'clock in the morning. I was on my way back home while driving on the highway and there was this really steep hill and at the end of hill was a curve. I sped up as fast as I could going **150 miles per hour**. I slowed down as I got closer to the curve, trying to drift. There was an **18** wheeler on the left with a yellow cab behind it. (In Thailand the steering wheel is on the right, and the slow lane is on the left while the passing lane is on the right.) The cab passed the **18** wheeler and the **18** wheeler got over and I ended up hitting it because I couldn't stop in time," said senior **GLA SAIPETCH**.

Many students experience different temptations while driving during their teenage years.

"I have **7** points on my license and I have **2** tickets; one for **25** over and the other for **20** over. I drive the speed limit, but I drive faster on highways and back roads," said senior **NICK BOZZO**.

## Getting the **BOOT**

"When **Bruce** directed traffic I would always go through the bus and teachers entrance instead of waiting in the student entrance line. Everyday **HE WOULD ALWAYS YELL AT ME** and my friend **and** we would just laugh about it. Then one day he jumped out at my car. He claimed that I almost hit him. Later on that day all my friends were coming up to me telling me that **I HAD A BOOT ON MY CAR**." - Senior **MCKENZIE DICKENS**

## The **TICKETS** pile up

by Sara Bullion & Jessica Hayes

"I've been driving for almost **3** years and I have **6** speeding tickets. I don't like to go slow, I like to get places fast."



Senior **JOSH KORTE**

"I've had my license for **4** months and I've been in **4** crashes and only received **1** ticket because the cops let me off on some."



Sophomore **DEVON REED**

"I've been driving for **2** years and I have **12** tickets from speeding and no proof of insurance. I can't afford the insurance for my car."

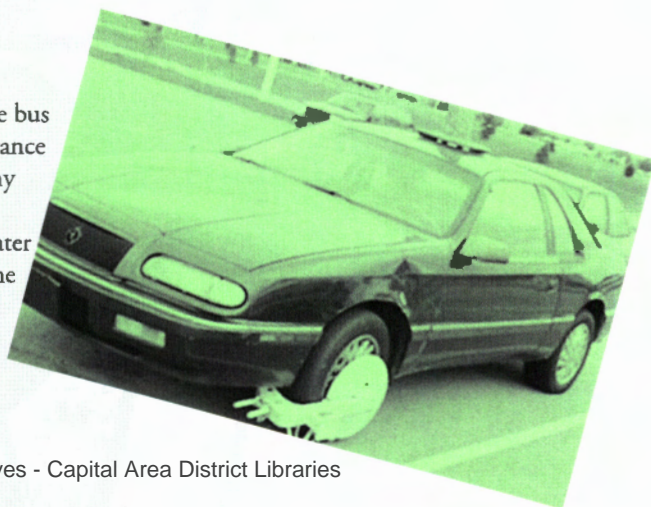


Senior **ASHLEY DUNKER**

"I was pulling into my driveway and my brother told me to back up. When I backed up I hit a Lexus worth **40** thousand dollars."



Senior **HALEY HELLEMS**









Wearing outrageous outfits, putting dye and whatever else you can find in your hair, singing karaoke and doing the limbo all mean that it is Spirit Week at Holt High School. It starts Monday and

## Let the games begin

by Kacie Dittenber

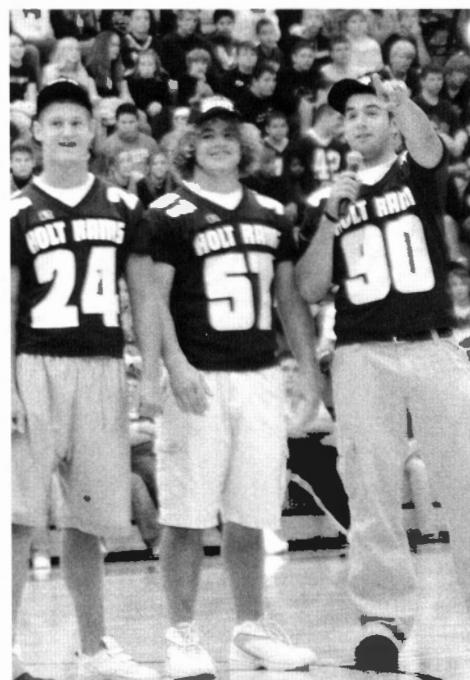
continues through out the week.

Each day features a different theme ranging from camouflage to era day to class color day. There are also amusing activities at lunch that anyone can participate in. The most fun to watch was fear factor where

students had to eat hunks of Spam and drink molasses. For the weaker stomached there was the Krispy Cream eating contest.

The most important part of Spirit Week was Friday's assembly where each grade came together as a whole. "It was fun sitting with my friends and watching how enthusiastic everyone was," said junior Taylor Parker. It's tradition every year for the students to cheer on their classmates while they play games like putting together a puzzle that reveals who the king and queen are as well as the prince and princess.

**Following tradition senior Jake Moreno** announces the football team to the entire student body. Standing along with him is junior **Mitch Zajac** and senior **Josh Trexler**. "It's nice to know that the guys on the team respect me and look up to me enough to vote me to be a captain," said Moreno. It's tradition at the pep-rallies for the captain of each team - whether it's football or cross country - to introduce their teammates and to give an update on their season. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*



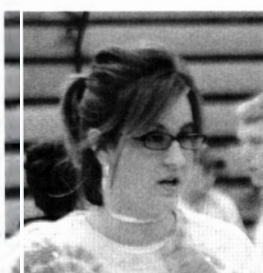
## Homecoming M.C.'s

by Kacie Dittenber



"It was cool to get everyone hyped up for the game."

Senior Richie Farran



"At this moment it all hit me that I was a senior, and it was my last homecoming."

Senior Kirsten Carlson



"Performing at the pep-rally is the best because everyone is there and having fun," said junior **Juile Patterson**. Here the Holt cheerleaders are performing a special cheer that includes cheerleaders from all of the grades. "It really pays off after putting so much hard work into the routine and then when you perform it, everyone likes it," said Patterson. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*







"Spirit Week is fun and an excuse to be crazy at school," said senior **Amy Schinkel**. Schinkel cheers loudly along with fellow seniors **Stacey Stanley**, **Kayla Burns** and **Betsy Bacon**. This year was the last year of Spirit Week and Homecoming for the graduating class of 2006. "I'm definitely going to miss it, the college I'm going to doesn't have a football team so I don't know if it will be a big deal," said Schinkel, "I'm going to miss planning with Stacey Stanley and Missy Darling on what were wearing everyday."

*Photo by Kacie Dittenber*

**Stumbling while tied together the** girls on court race against the guys. Part of the pep-rally was devoted to different games like, putting together puzzles and musical chairs. This all lead to finding out who the king and queen were. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*

# Spirit week

by Kacie Dittenber



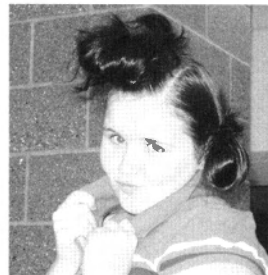
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Camouflage Day  
Lunchtime Activity:  
Limbo  
Float Building 6-9 p.m.



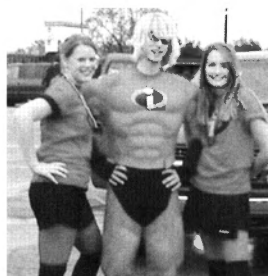
## Tuesday:

Era Day  
Lunchtime Activity:  
Fear Factor  
Float Building 6-9 p.m.



## Wednesday:

Wacky Hair Day  
Lunchtime Activity:  
No activity  
Float Building 6-10 p.m.



## Thursday:

Theme Day  
Lunchtime Activity:  
Krispy cream Doughnut  
eating contest  
No Float Building



## Friday:

Class Color Day  
Lunchtime Activity:  
Karaoke  
Parade



# Q&A with the Darling's

by Kacie Dittenber

The hardest part of float building is finding a place to work. This year the Darlings opened their garage to the senior class. This is what senior Matt Darling had to say:

**Whose idea was it to have it at your house?**

"My dad proposed the idea, and me and my sister agreed."

**What was the best part?**

"The food. We got free pizza. Tie dying was a mess. There was dye and wet shirts everywhere."

**Was it hard to talk your parents into it?**

"No, they wanted to do it. They're really helpful with being involved in school like that. My mom even cooked for us a couple of nights."

**What did your parents do the whole time?**

"Cook. Stay in the house, or offer to help every once in a while."



**Creating paper mache heads for the dwarfs from the Disney movie *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* are sophomores Brittany Enos, Samantha Mulder, Lacy Lund and Anna Krycinski. "We went because we're cheerleaders and they thought we should show support," said Krycinski. However, when asked if they would participate next year they stated, "Probably not, only if there's food." Photo by Kelly Hamelin**



The sophomore's float was based on the movie *Snow White*. It featured all of the seven dwarfs and Snow White herself.



**First Place: Sophomores**

by Kacie Dittenber

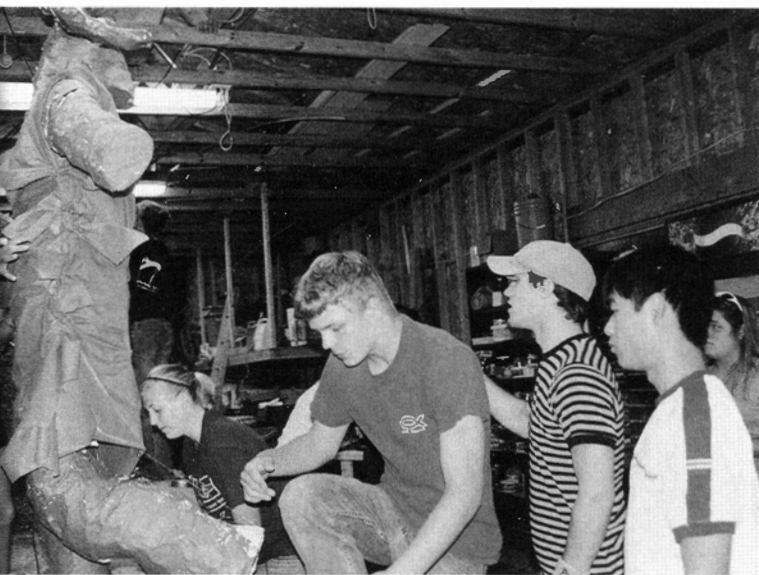
The senior's float theme was based on the movie *Peter Pan*. On it was a giant Ram-Pan that was kicking Captain Hook into the goal post.



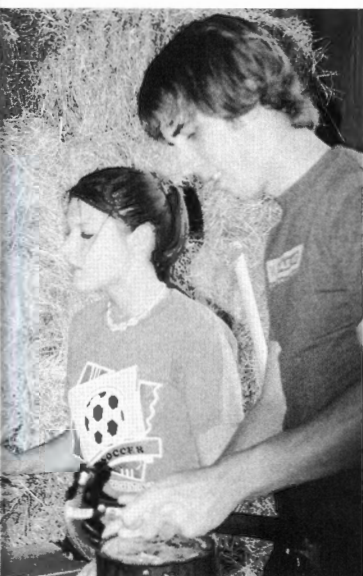
**Second Place: Seniors**



Up to her elbows in flour and water, senior **Stephanie Fredline** helps make Captain Hook out of chicken wire and paper machete. "I went because it was fun and it was also at my friends house this year. Plus it was senior year and I wanted it to be really good," said Fredline. The senior float was based on the Disney movie *Peter Pan*. It featured a ram that was dressed up as Peter Pan and also a goal post that the ram was kicking Captain Hook through. Photo by Kacie Dittenber



"My favorite part of working on the float would have to be hanging out and talking with everyone," said senior **Travis Walter**. After putting a lot of hours into their float while also having a good time, the seniors scored second place when it came to the float judging. Most people think that the senior class comes in first place every year. However, this is not true. "I wasn't disappointed. It wasn't really about winning," said Walter. Photo by Kacie Dittenber



With a hammer in his hand junior **Mike Casteel** works on the junior's float with classmate **Kelly Young**. The theme the class of 2007 had to follow was based on the animated movie *The Incredibles*. "I went because someone just told me to go. I got to paint the big yellow bus," said Casteel. "I decided to go because I wanted to get a change to meet more people and I thought it would be really fun," added Young. Both agreed that they would attend float building next year. Photo by Kacie Dittenber

The junior's float was based on the movie *The Incredibles*. It featured a mini football field complete with fake grass and a goal post.

Third Place: Juniors



It's not impossible to build a six-foot tall float, but it sure is hard. Especially when each class is only given \$100 and fourteen hours to complete the task. Each class relies on donations from businesses and classmates to get the job done.

## Students get animated

by Kacie Dittenber

It all starts with picking the themes that floats must follow. This year student council decided upon animated movies. The senior class picked *Peter Pan*, the juniors *The Incredibles*, and

the sophomores *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs*.

Next, students must find a place to build and store the actual float. Every year, Duling's farm offers the use of its barn for the juniors.

"My favorite part was goofing off and looking at the animals. Since it was my first year it was interesting to see how we put it all together," said junior Stavroula Kyriakopoulos.

While the juniors worked at the Duling's, the seniors met at the Darling's and the sophomores worked at sophomore Jordan Dausman's house.

## How to tie dye

by Kacie Dittenber

1. You need rubber bands, a shirt, dye
2. Wash the shirt (helps hold the dye)
3. Lay the shirt down flat and fold and tie as you want
4. Prepare your dye as directed
5. Start dying (light colors first)
6. Hang out to dry



The top athletes, the most spirited, the leaders, the people with great personalities; these are some of the ways people described the 2005 Homecoming court.

Before the big day the court members were required to purchase dresses and tuxes. "It's always

## Ram royalty

by Kacie Dittenber

fun to get all dressed up," said senior Audrey Dowell. Then in the afternoon the court members participate in the parade.

"The parade was fun, but we ran out of candy. I tried to give most of the candy to the kids that looked like they didn't have much," said senior Matt Darling.

During the football game the court members walked on the field and were announced to the crowd.

Following the game was the homecoming dance. "The dance was extraordinarily amusing because I was with all my friends. But they need to find a better DJ for next year," said junior Matt Naeyaert.

**Voted as king and queen seniors Tyler Reed and Missy Darling** enjoy the parade. "Being queen was a good experience that I will always remember," said Darling. Most people consider just being on the ballot a huge honor, so being picked out of more than 400 students definitely means a lot. "It felt good to be King. It's something you think about when you are a kid," said Reed. *Photo by Kevin Judy*



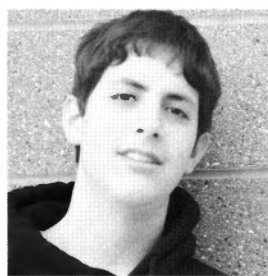
## Why they voted

by Kacie Dittenber



"I voted for Tyler because he's nice and really cute."

Sophomore  
Phylicia Amos



"I voted for Missy because I sit next to her in band and she's really nice."

Junior Albert  
Gillison

**During the 2005 Homecoming** parade senior **Tyler Thelen** poses with fellow court member senior **Nicole Smith**. "Being on court was an experience to remember because my peers respected me enough to put me there and I had a lot of fun," said Thelen. "It was really cool to be on the ballot my senior year and being on court with some of my friends," added Smith. *Photo by Kevin Judy*







"I had a lot of fun getting dressed up and it was a great memory," said senior **Anna Keeler** about her trip down Holt road in the parade. Keeler, and senior **Matt Darling**, were voted prince and princess for Homecoming 2005. "I was really excited that my sister and I were both on court. It made the experience ten times better with my sister right beside me and my mom was super happy," said Darling. *Photo by Kevin Judy*



**Laughing at the crowd** are seniors **Audrey Dowell** and **Justin Franks**. "My favorite part was the parade and riding in the yellow convertible," said Franks. Every year it is customary for court members to ride in the back of a fancy car and throw candy to the crowd. Court members are responsible for participating in the parade, the football game and the Homecoming dance. *Photo by Kevin Judy*

## 2005 Homecoming court

by Kacie Dittenber



**Junior court:**  
**Brittany Watson & Glenn Briggs**

"I was kinda surprised to see my name on the ballet."

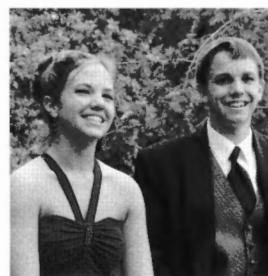
- Glenn Briggs



**Junior Court:**  
**Jordan Birch & Harold Karrar**

"It was a lot of fun dressing up. I hope I make it next year."

- Jordan Birch



**Junior Court:**  
**Meredith Nelson & Matt Naeyaert**

"I was on court with a few of my friends. I don't think it would have been the same without them."

- Meredith Nelson



**Sophomore Court:**  
**Pauline Bateman & Mike Green**

"My favorite part was walking down the field at the game."

- Pauline Bateman



**Sophomore Court:**  
**Courtney Wood & Grant Ankney**

"It was the first time that I was able to wear my tuxedo."

- Grant Ankney



Fans stand along the sidelines of every home and away game cheering for the Rams. They attend each and every game possible: hot or cold, rain or snow. While most students have school spirit, dedication is needed for them to be con-

## Fans with spirit

by Sara Bullion &  
Heather Ungerman

sidered true fans.

"I was sick one day so I stayed home and slept so I could get better to go to the game that night," said senior Bryant Karkau.

"My favorite cheer was 'You, you, you' because we got to point at the players," said junior Jeff Terrell. The student section will be

remembered most for their dedication, school spirit, and creative cheers.

The student section, parents, cheerleaders, and even the players all seemed to enjoy the presence of Rooty the Ram at the games. For most of the season the person behind the mask was a mystery.

"I liked being Rooty because I got to help out the cheerleaders and it was fun since I got to do whatever I wanted and hardly anyone knew who I was," said junior Katherine Keeler. Many of the mascots liked the fact that not many people knew who they were.

### Singing the "Star Spangled Banner"

before the Grand Ledge game, Rooty faces the flag along with the rest of the fans. "I liked being Rooty because it's a rush since you're down by the field watching the game and nobody knows who you are," said senior **Anna Keeler**.

*Photo by Stephanie Mathers*



## Why I'm a fan

by Sara Bullion



"When you have the best team in the area it's kind of hard not to support them."

**Junior Philip  
Vigés**



"I'm only in high school once so I want to make the most of it."

**Junior Mollie  
Ballmer**



**Screaming as loud as he can, senior Bryant Karkau** cheers on the Rams during a football game. "I go to help motivate the team and be with my friends," said Karkau. The student section showed a lot of enthusiasm throughout the year. *Photo by Stephanie Mathers*







**Cheering as the Holt Football team** scores another touchdown, seniors **Bruce Pettit** and **Shelby Smith** support the Rams. The student section at the football games was packed throughout the season due to the Ram's undefeated record. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*

**Giving Rooty the Ram a big bear hug**, senior **Brittney Pike** gets pumped up for the Holt vs. Grand Ledge game. Rooty gives Pike and senior **Chelsea Mariano** encouragement before the kickoff. "I like Rooty because he makes the crowd cheer louder," said Pike. Rooty is an important part at all of the football and basketball games. *Photo by Stephanie Mathers*

## Who was Rooty?

by Heather Ungerman & Sara Bullion

What do the following people have in common: Tony Cuebas, Anna Keeler, Katherine Keeler, Jolie Ngo, Nicole Smith, and Brooke Foreman? They all pumped up the crowd as Rooty the Ram. How do you know who Rooty was at each game? That's something that will remain a mystery mystery.



## Why do people go?

by Sara Bullion

39%	Enjoy sports
20%	Performer
16%	Bored
8%	To take pictures
6%	Brother/sister plays
6%	Volunteer
5%	Other

When 100 students were surveyed about why they like to attend sporting events, results varied. The performer category consists of the dance team, cheerleaders and band members.



# Cell phone or iPod?

by Sandra McCormick

Cell phones and iPods: every teenager wants them. It was no surprise when Cingular Wireless and Apple teamed up to create a two in one. Senior Zach Brendahl talks about his iPod phone.

**What sparked your interest in the phone?**

"I wanted an iPod and a cell phone."

**What did the phone cost you?**

"\$150 with a new plan, but since I have no credit history I had to put down a security deposit."

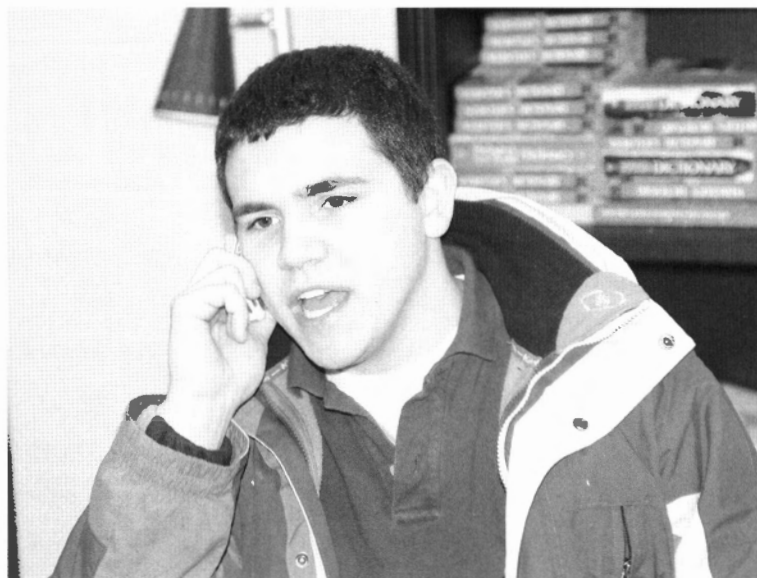
**Do you use all of the features?**

"Pretty much, it definitely was not a waste."

**Have you used the phone during school hours?**

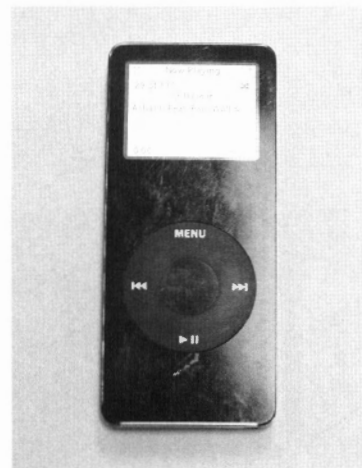
"Yes, I have text messaged before, and used the ear phones. No one has said anything about it."

**Is it a phone or an iPod? The difference to some is nothing. Senior Zach Brendahl** uses his Motorola ROKR E1 during speech class. The phone that doubles as an iPod is another one of the leading toys Apple has come out within the last year. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*



**Searching for a video game, senior Sam Fenby** works hard for holiday shoppers at Gamestop. Gamestop is a place where gamers can buy, sell, and trade used games with ease. Fenby has worked at Gamestop since the beginning of her junior year, "I really love my job. The people you get are so random and crazy," said Fenby. *Photo by Josh Munyon*

**The iPod nano, it only weighs 1.5oz,** and measures 3.5 x 1.6 x 0.27 inches, making nano the smallest and lightest MP3 player around. Less than five years ago, Apple released the first iPod which was big and bulky. The size of the nano makes it easy to carry and a major conversation piece. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*



## Through the years

Atari released the classic game Pong. This event swept the nation.

The Nintendo Entertainment System was released and revolutionized the gaming world.

Nintendo released the Nintendo 64, named after the 64 bit chip processor.

by Josh Munyon

1972

1985

1996





In their spare time, senior Michael Fannon and junior Michael Townsend enjoy playing their PSPs in the commons. The PSP not only has the ability to play games but also view video, play music, search the internet, and view photos. "It cost me about 250 bucks but it was worth it," said Townsend. *Photo by Josh Munyon*

Sony followed up the success of the Playstation 1 by releasing the Playstation 2.

The first of the next generation consoles, the Xbox 360 sold out all across the nation.

2000

2005

Technology. Everyday we rely on it to get us through the day. Yet no matter what type we use the price we pay for technology is huge.

"About 35% of my paychecks go toward elec-

## All the bells & whistles

by Josh Munyon & Sandra McCormick

tronics," said senior John Kinney. Purchasing the latest trinkets could put a strain on any student's wallet. The electronic wonders of our age came with quite a heavy price tag.

Even the smallest iPods can

cost \$99, then up to \$299 with color and video playback. Due to a shipping shortage, some people paid over \$1000 for an Xbox 360 on ebay in November 2005.

With so much money being drained from their wallets, students needed to work a lot more just to afford all the cool electronics of our day. "I don't get much but I still need to work about 15 to 20 hours a week," said junior Kreg Colson.

The price of technology and the quality is increasing everyday. Hopefully students will still find a way to get their hands on this technology.

## iPods: what to get

by Sandra McCormick

1. Memory size: iPods only hold so many songs, be careful.
2. Use: Think about where you are using the iPod; get the right size.
3. Extras: Apple offers a wide range of accessories, from an iPod sound system to an arm band.



# Q&A with Tony Sparks

by Jared Buxton

Senior Tony Sparks and junior Danielle Counseller have been dating for six months. "I think we're gonna be together for a long time, he's so sweet!" said Counseller.

How long have you been dating?

"Six months and counting."

How did you meet?

"In math class."

Do you ever have second thoughts?

"I'm gonna say no."

Where is your favorite date stop?

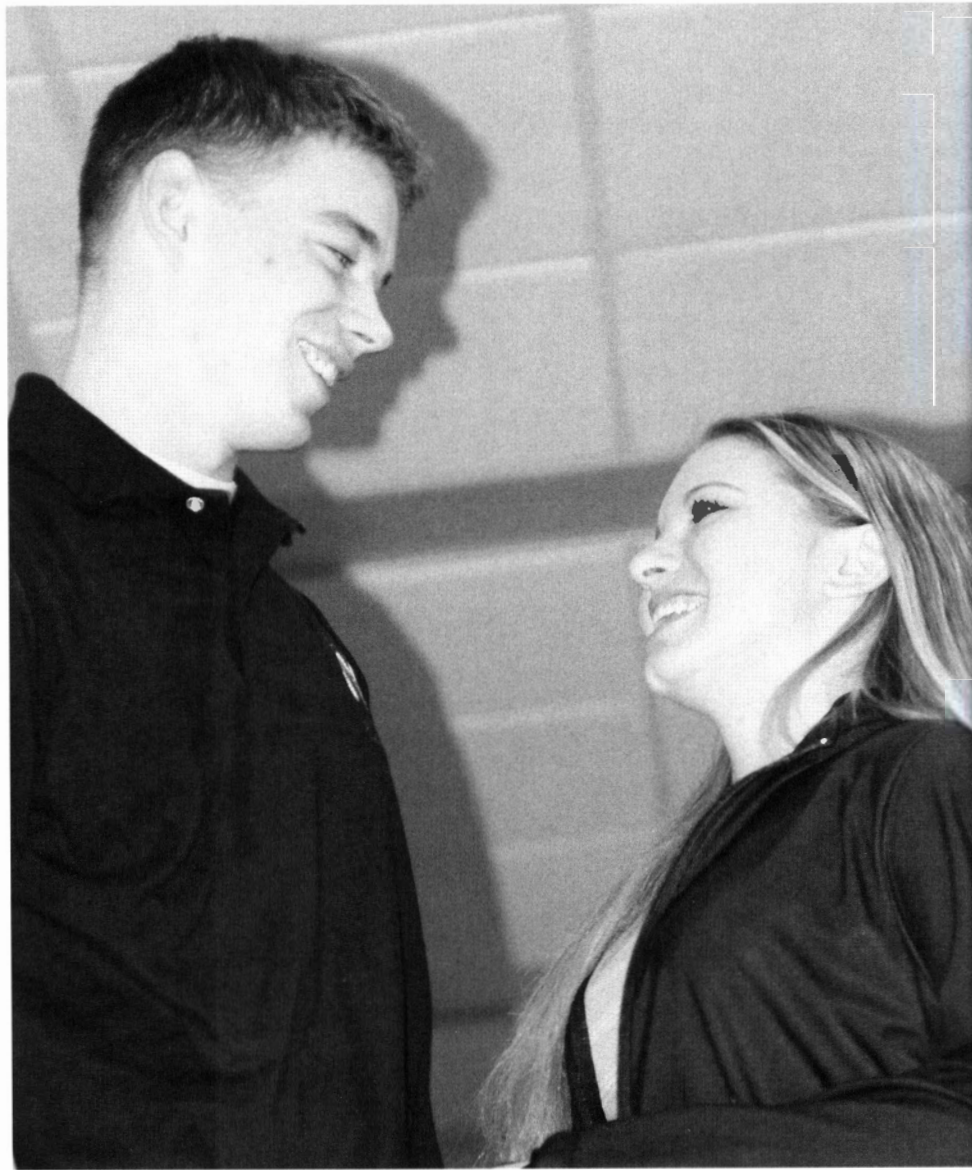
"The bowling alley! Yay!"

Is there an age difference?

"Yeah, two years."

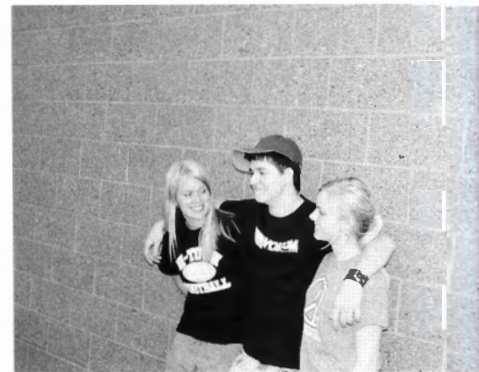
Does that matter?

"No, age isn't nothin' but a number."



**Hanging out with the ladies** senior **Ryan Klaver** prefers not to date because of the restrictions that come with a relationship. "I like to be free and feel like I can do whatever I want, and when you're in a relationship you can't just go have fun without having her worry and crap," said Klaver.

*Photo by Jared Buxton*



## Operation Dutch

by Kevin Judy

Beth arrives at Justin's house. They decide to head for the mall.

Arrive at the mall, spend time Christmas shopping and hang out.

Eat a fettuccine alfredo dinner together at the Olive Garden.

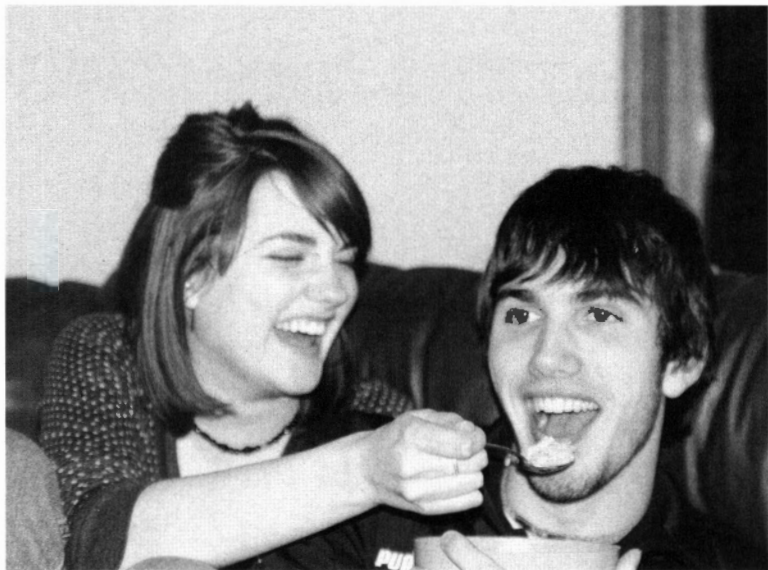
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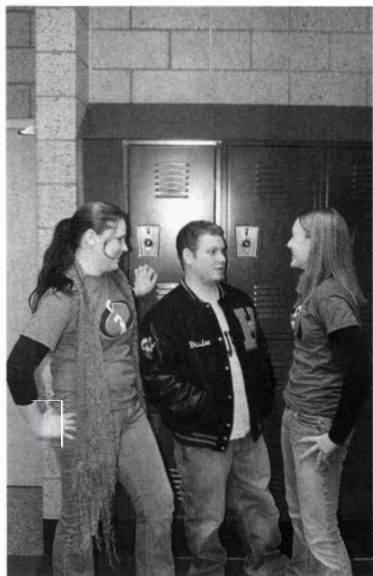
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"Danielle is a really fun person and I love spending time with her," said senior **Tony Sparks** about his girlfriend of six months, senior **Danielle Counsellor**. "Whenever I'm with her I'm always having a good time, and she always keeps me happy," said Sparks. When asked about Sparks, Counsellor said, "he's really fun to be with and he's always making me laugh." *Photo by Kevin Judy*



**Goofing around, senior Beth Grayeski** feeds senior **Justin Franks** some macaroni and cheese. "Justin is an incompetent eater so I have to hand feed him," said Grayeski. "Sometimes I just get lazy," replied Franks on why Grayeski helps him eat. *Photo by Kevin Judy*



**Single senior Brandon Ghastin** puts the moves on the ladies. "If you get a girls name wrong she can't get mad cause your not in a relationship," said Ghastin about being single, "There isn't as much heartache by casually dating. Besides, relationships take up too much time, time I don't have." *Photo by Jared Buxton*

Go to the movie theater and see *The Breakfast Club* at special AMC Theater showing.

After the movie they head to senior Shaun Spivak's house to hang out.

8:15 p.m.

10:30 p.m.

Walking down the halls there are numerous couples holding hands and flirting exuberantly. At the same time, there are those who prefer to remain single.

# Singles vs. couples

by Jared Buxton & Kevin Judy

Having a boyfriend or girlfriend is quite common at Holt High School, although not everyone chooses to find a significant other until after graduation.

"I have a lot of close female friends, but right now I just want

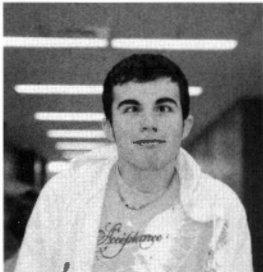
to focus on school and my friends. I don't really have time for a girlfriend," said junior Joe Sadler.

Other students prefer to spend their social time dating. Seniors Justin Franks and Beth Grayeski, have been dating, or going out, for a few months. "Justin is my first actual boyfriend, and he's doing a great job," said Grayeski.

"Beth is pretty much the hottest thing since instant rice, and it's been a great couple of months," said Franks. "Hopefully we'll be together for a long time."

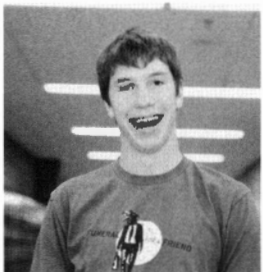
# Where to take a date

by Kevin Judy



"The best place to take a date is Wendy's because it's fly food for cheap."

**Senior Shaun Spivak**



"To Sam's Club because they have a bunch of sweet, free samples."

**Senior Chris McClure**



From skateboarding to skydiving, some Holt students will do anything to get that rush from doing something daring. Between the ESPN X-Games, clothing lines, equipment, logo stickers and patches,

## To the max

by Kaylee Hunt & Carmen Quinn

people can't seem to get enough of extreme sports.

Holt students are taking it to the extreme. Junior Troy Gray has been riding bikes for four years. "I was bored one day, so I started riding and I've been doing it ever since," said Gray.

It's not just guys that participate in extreme sports. Girls too enjoy the rush of doing something so crazy and so fun. Michelle McCormick has been snowboarding for 4 seasons.

"It's fun, It's like you go somewhere else when you do it." Said McCormick. Most people think there is a stereotypical person that participates in extreme sports.

"I think there are stereotypes, because that's all that's on TV, but you don't have to be a certain way to do extreme sports," said junior Dana Hertzfeld.

**Breathing a sigh of relief, senior Gla Saipetch** reaches the end of his bungee jump in Thailand during the summer of 2004. "I wanted to do something different from what I normally do," said Saipetch about his first time bungee jumping. *Courtesy Photo*



**Maintaining her balance, senior Morgan Brower** snowboards down Dead Mans Hill in Holt. During December of 2005 Michigan saw an unusually high snowfall, allowing many students to participate in extreme winter sports. *Courtesy Photo*

**Taking a second to smile for the camera, senior Morgan Brower** snowboards down Deadman's Hill in Holt. "Emily and I were bored one day, so we decided to go snowboarding for the first time this season. We thought it was a good idea to get a little practice in before we headed off to Brighton," said Brower about snowboarding with senior **Emily Kostrzewski**. *Courtesy Photo*



## How to manual

by Carmen Quinn & Kaylee Hunt

1. Get on bike
2. Peddle to a comfortable speed
3. Lean back and pull up on bars
4. Tap brakes
5. Distribute weight back to front
6. Ease front wheel to the ground
7. Cheer, jump up and down



Gliding through the sand, senior **Rebecca Pierce**, sandboards at Sleeping Bear Dunes during the summer of 2004. "It was my first time. I wanted to try snowboarding but it was too cold and the sand has a softer landing," said Pierce. *Courtesy Photo*



## What is the most extreme sport?

by Carmen Quinn & Kaylee Hunt

46%	Skydiving
20%	BMX
19%	Dirt biking
7%	Bungee Jumping
8%	Other

100 students surveyed

## Getting to know Troy Gray

by Kaylee Hunt & Carmen Quinn

Junior Troy Gray has been snowboarding and riding BMX for years. Troy answered a few questions about his love of extreme sports.

**Why do you like to snowboard?**

"I don't really know, it's fun I guess."

**How long have you been into it?**

"About three years now."

**Where do you snowboard at?**

"Mostly Brighton, but every now and then I go to Shantycreek."

**What tricks can you do?**

"Board slide, 50-50, 360, 540, and I have tried some other ones."

**Are you an extreme person?**

"No. I just like to do extreme things because it's fun and it's something to do."



# Why did you go?

by Kaylee Hunt & Carmen Quinn

58%	Friend of band
30%	Enjoy the music
12%	Just bored

100 students surveyed

The lead singer of Pope Opera, sophomore **Chris Trubac**, performs during Battle of the Bands. This was the first battle of the bands appearance for Trubac and fellow band members junior **Joe Feldpausch** and sophomore **Nick Strong**. After their drummer backed out, the band had to play acoustic; despite the set back they still put on what people thought was a great show. Photo by Kaylee Hunt

## Q&A with Andrew Burgess

by Kaylee Hunt & Carmen Quinn

When did you start playing?

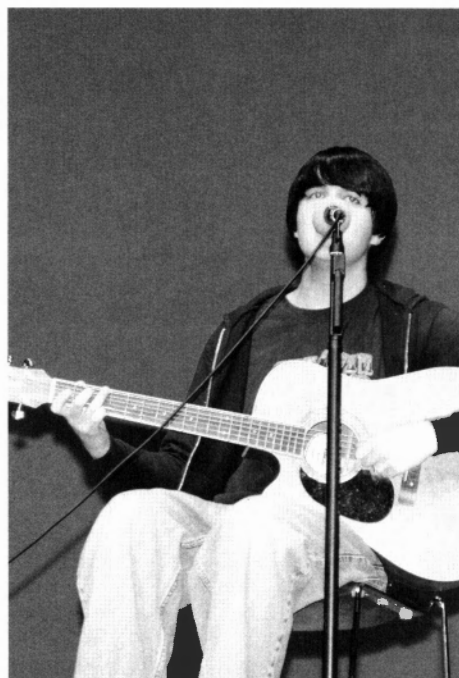
Somewhere around two years ago.

What instruments can you play?

Right now, just bass guitar.

Why do you like to play?

It's relaxing and a good way to get out my aggression.



## From the heart

by Carmen Quinn & Kaylee Hunt



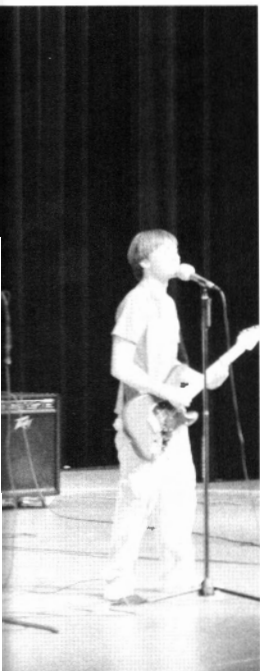
"I got to meet a lot of sweet people during Battle of the Bands. It was an awesome experience I'd have to say."

Junior Cayden Bunnell

With guitars in hands and winning on their minds, Aspyre puts on a great show at Battle of the Bands. Aspyre didn't come out on top like many had anticipated. "I love my band and I love to play music, this was the first year we played with this band, I think it went great," said senior **Justin Franks**. "Justin and Shaun are probably the most musically talented kids in the school," said senior **Kevin Judy**. Photo by Kaylee Hunt







"We wanted to do something no one else has done, so we shot off a couple of confetti bags. Mr. Miller wasn't aware of any of this and we had to stay afterwards for an hour and a half while 25 people stayed to help clean up, but it was so worth it," said senior **Nate Wethy** about their unforgettable performance at the Battle of the Bands. *Photo by Carmen Quinn*

**Placing a solid second, Open Late** Thursday performs for the first time at Battle of the Bands. "We were all really excited, we just wanted to have fun. This was our first year playing and the band was kind of new, so it was an exciting experience," said junior **Alex Allegretto**. *Photo by Carmen Quinn*

# Pope Opera crisis with: Chris Trubac

by Kaylee Hunt & Carmen Quinn

1. Our drummer backed out right before the show
2. We check our alternative plans
3. Decided to play acoustic (without drummer)
4. We listened to Green Day to get pumped up
5. Last but not least we put on an awesome show

Every year Holt High School puts on the Battle of the Bands, where local bands have the chance to showcase their music. The winners receive studio time and some money. This year I Eat Glue, also

## Feel the beat

by Carmen Quinn & Kaylee Hunt

known as IEG, came out on top. The group consisted of senior Nate Wethy on bass and backing vocals, Holt 2005 graduate Greg Rudawski on drums, and East Lansing senior Adam Fliehmen on vocals and guitar. IEG was a unique mix of punk, pop and rap so it appealed to

everyone's taste.

Another popular band among the students of HHS was My Simple Existence. Although they did not place in Battle of the Bands, they played in many local shows along with their good friends IEG. The band included Cayden Bunnell on guitar and lead vocals, Andrew Burgess on bass guitar and backup vocals, Matt Corkins on guitar, and James Bryde on the drums. Many local bands became very popular here in Holt; Battle of the Bands was a way for them to get their music recognized.



# Q&A with Amanda Hayes

by Sara Bullion

Junior Amanda Hayes describes how her looks have changed within one year.

**How would you describe yourself before?**

I was a slow runner, out of shape, and wasn't happy with myself.

**What's the quality that changed most?**

My hair because I grew my bangs, and I lost weight.

**Why did you change?**

Basketball inspired me to change so I could be more fit for the season.

**Do you feel better about yourself now?**

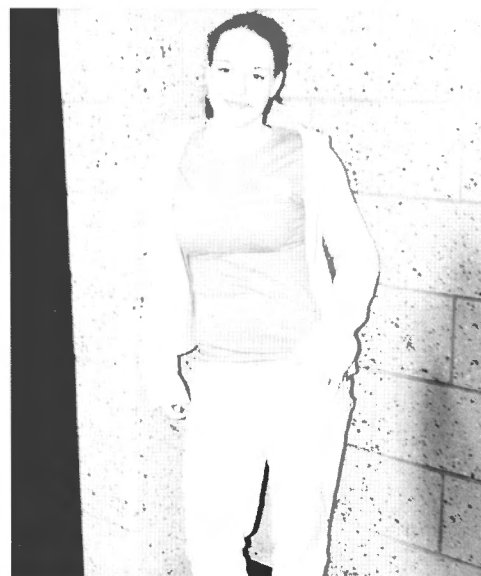
Yes, I think I get more positive attention because I'm more outgoing since I'm happier with my self.

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Showing the results of her hard work and dedication, senior **Nicole Davis** smiles with satisfaction. "I feel better in certain situations and am more comfortable with myself because I am not constantly worried about my looks in certain ways," said Davis. *Photo by Sara Bullion*



## Looks: Before

This is a timeline showing a picture of each individual from one year, or more, ago.



Junior  
Amanda  
Hayes:  
Weight



Senior  
Nicole  
Davis:  
Weight

by Sara Bullion

September 2004

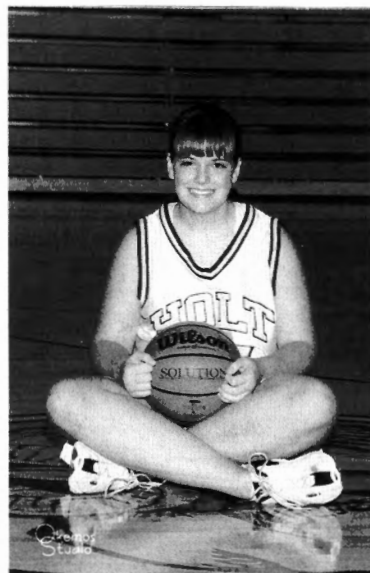
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Glancing at these four students, seniors **Beth Grayeski** and **Nicole Davis** and juniors **Cameron Salt** and **Amanda Hayes**, you'll notice each of their new looks. "Diet and exercise is the best way to go because it worked for me. It wasn't easy, but I was happy in the end," said Hayes. *Photo by Sara Bullion*

Giving a big smile for the camera is junior **Amanda Hayes** during her sophomore year. "I wanted to change my hair style and lose weight for a different look so I could gain more confidence in myself," said Hayes. Weight loss was one of the more common positive changes people experienced. *Courtesy photo*



Showing off his new and improved look, junior **Cameron Salt** models for the camera. "I like my style better now because I'm more comfortable and don't care as much what people think as I did before," said Salt. Many students change their style throughout high school. *Photo by Sara Bullion*



Senior Beth  
Grayeski:  
Looks/ Style



Junior  
Cameron  
Salt:  
Style

September 2002

January 2006

Do you remember looking through old yearbooks and noticing how certain people have changed throughout the years? Do you notice how people's styles have dramatically changed? Seeing the looks of other people

## Before and after

by Sara Bullion and  
Danielle Graham

before and after is something that many people notice.

"I used to wear baggy clothes but now I wear tighter clothes because I feel dressier," said junior Cameron Salt.

Salt and senior Beth Grayeski both changed their style within a few years.

"I was tired of being blonde and thought changing my hair would be a nice change," said Grayeski.

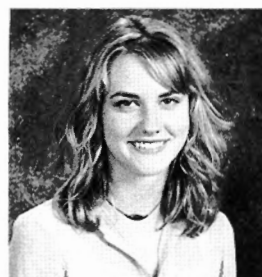
Style was not the only way that students changed, some changed in terms of weight.

"I gained a lot more confidence in myself as I started losing weight," said senior Nicole Davis who changed in terms of weight during her time at Holt.

Junior Amanda Hayes also changed in terms of weight. "If you decide to lose weight, make sure it's for the right reasons. It's not easy and it takes a lot of self control, hard work and patience, but it's well worth it," said Hayes.

## Beth Grayeski

by Sara Bullion



"I cut my hair last summer because I wanted to try a short hairstyle and I dyed it because I liked the reddish color. I was tired of being blonde and thought it'd be a nice change."

Senior Beth Grayeski



## Most popular

by Kelly Hamelin

55%	<i>Oklahoma</i>
30%	<i>Footloose</i>
15%	<i>Anything Goes</i>

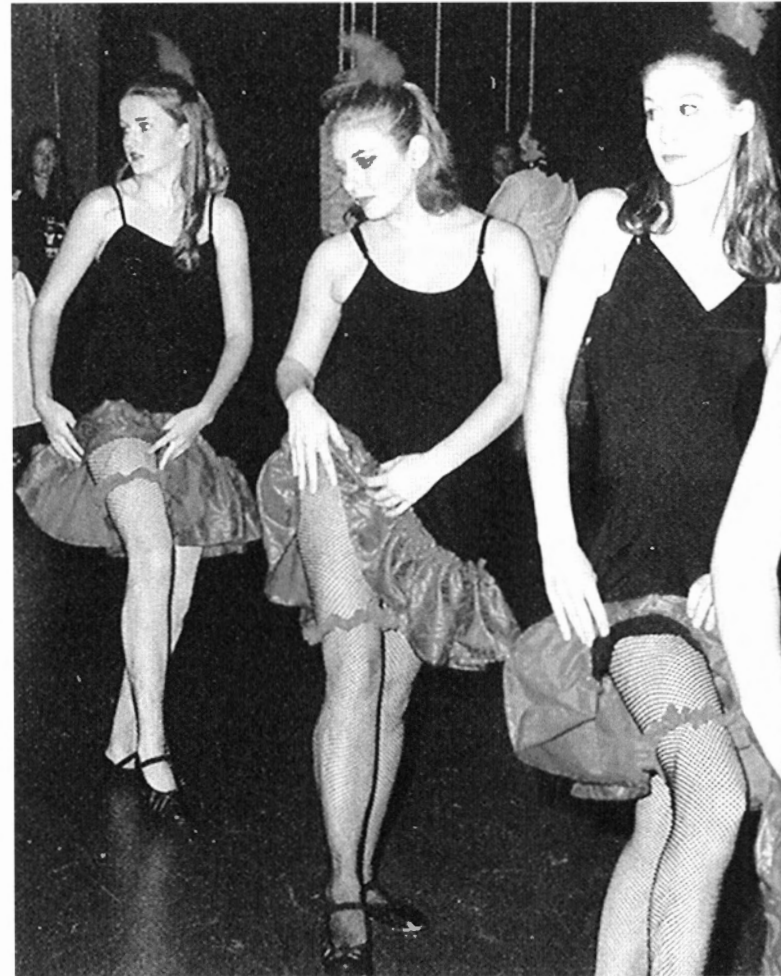
Pulling off their moves, senior Emily Bishop, sophomores Amy Stewart and Jesse Slochem, and junior Staci Sparks show a little leg during a separate dance piece in the dream sequence of the musical. "I really enjoyed learning the dance. The only hard part was staying on cue with each other," said Bishop. *Courtesy photo*



## Stage set up

by Sarah Turner

1. Clear everything off stage
2. Build and paint set
3. Spike stage (mark location of set)
4. Set the stage
5. Adjust curtains and focus lights
6. Program stage cues
7. Check all mics for actors



## The right direction

by Sarah Turner



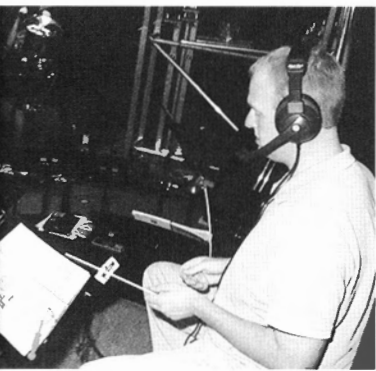
"I chose *Oklahoma* because it was time for me to go out of my comfort zone. The shows went really smooth."

Director  
Monty Bishop

Celebrating a well earned marriage are main characters Curly, played by sophomore Chris Wardlaw, and Laurey, played by junior Elizabeth Aylsworth. "I loved developing my character, that is always fun. What I really enjoyed with this show is how everything came together so well. Everyone just clicked," said Aylsworth. This was Aylsworth fourth show on the Holt stage. *Courtesy photo*







The new band instructor **Mike Emerson** instructs the pit band through the music of *Oklahoma*. "Being new was the hardest part and organizing a practice schedule was tough too. It was nice getting to know the small group in the pit band. The production was huge and I loved watching it come together," said Emerson. *Courtesy photo*



Showing **Andrew Carnes** who is boss, Aunt Ellen, played by junior **Sammy Lee**, doesn't take anything from anyone. Junior **Phil Viges**, who played Andrew Carnes said, "It was a different experience being on the other side of Sammy's gun. Although she was great to work with we had a good time." The chemistry between Viges and Lee made them a great pair to watch on stage. *Courtesy photo*

## Musical thoughts

by Sarah Turner



"I had fun with everyone in the musical. I liked the dancing."

Senior  
Carly Holcomb



"We were kind of short on time but it worked out well in the end."

Senior  
Ben Morse

"Oklahoma where the wind comes sweepin' down the plains and the wavin' wheat can sure smell sweet when the wind comes right behind the rain..."

Those words were familiar to the empty halls dur-

## From here to Oklahoma

by Sarah Turner & Kelly Hamelin

ing the weeks that the cast rehearsed for *Oklahoma*.

"The practices were Monday to Friday everyday for a few weeks. Two weeks before the show practice was Monday to Friday, three until

late into the night," said director Monty Bishop.

Between cast and crew, practice, and building of the set hours of hard work were put into making this production. Theater Manager Jeff Miller and the crew tried to perfect every detail.

"Any show is a huge undertaking. Although the way we all managed our time was better than any year, and it keeps getting better the more we become familiar with the space we have to work in. That work is really for the people who come see the show. That is our gift," said Miller.



# Q&A with Emily Bishop

by Justine Kozlina

Senior Emily Bishop has been involved in many school plays and musicals. In *Cheaper by the Dozen* she played Ernestina, the third eldest daughter.

**Why do you participate in plays?**

Because I want to be an actress and I think they're a lot of fun. I want to get as much experience as I can.

**What is your favorite part of performing?**

I liked the cast a lot. It was like a family on stage and off.

**Do you ever get nervous?**

Every time I'm about to perform, but once I'm on stage it goes away.

**Have you ever forgotten your lines?**

I haven't forgotten lines but I missed my cue. So they skipped me.



**Being scolded by her father for wanting to date boys and wear make up is Ernestina played by senior **Emily Bishop**. Bishop was joined by senior **Andrew Harmon** who played her older brother. The family was made up of twelve children. *Courtesy Photo***



## More than a show

by Justine Kozlina

Informational meeting; find out when the shows and auditions are, also find out how things work.

Last week of February

Auditions for acting. Plays have no singing or dancing so there is no audition for them.

March 1 - 2, 2005

The cast list is posted and the first rehearsal starts. The first weeks are used to get into character.

March 7, 2005



**Gossiping about the going ons of** the day are junior **Amanda Bird**, sophomore **Amy Stuart**, senior **Emily Bishop**, and junior **Danielle Sweet**. In the performance the whole cast was very close. "I enjoyed getting to know the cast better, we really became a family," said senior **Andrew Harmon**.  
*Courtesy Photo*



**Following directions given by their** father played by 2005 senior **Eric Abent**, sophomore **Nick Strong** and junior **Josh Florian** perform in the Spring play. "In the play the dad had a lot of rules and very strict and when he blew the whistle he would give us chores for the day," said Strong.

*Courtesy Photo*



Show time. Shows starts at 7:00 p.m. Along with three public performances there is also a parent show.

April 28 - 30, 2005

Running laps and building sets is not something you normally expect actors in a play to be doing. Yet for the actors of *Cheaper by the Dozen* this was a reality. "For every line we missed, we had to run

A little  
hard  

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work

by Justine Kozlina

a lap in the gym," said junior Kate Hamel. With English Teacher Debbie Childers as the play's director everything was kept in order. "Mrs. Childers is a very good director. She is very organized and she knows the characters and how to get things done," said Hamel.

Despite the hard work the cast came together to form a family on and off stage. "The cast was so close, there were times we discussed having a family reunion. I think the great cast made a great show," said sophomore Danielle Sweet.

Many of the actors have been in several shows including *Anything Goes*, *Oklahoma*, and many more. "I had been in a lot of plays before and it was a chance to see upperclassman. I had been doing little kid roles since third grade," said sophomore Nick Strong.

## Behind the scenes

by Justine Kozlina



"I've been in tech for a long time so I wanted to see what it was like on stage."  
**Senior Andrew Harmon**



"Acting is one of my hobbies and it's fun to do. Also the cast was great."

**Sophomore  
Danielle Sweet**

Set is completely built. All the building parts are built and all the props are in place.

1 week before show



# Q&A with Kourtnei Egger

by Brooke Darling

Being one of two female, sophomore representatives for the Winterfest court, Kourtnei Egger fills us in on the experience.

**What was it like being on Winterfest court?**

I've only been on court once and it was exciting knowing that not only did my friends want me to represent them, but also my teachers.

**How was the pep-rally?**

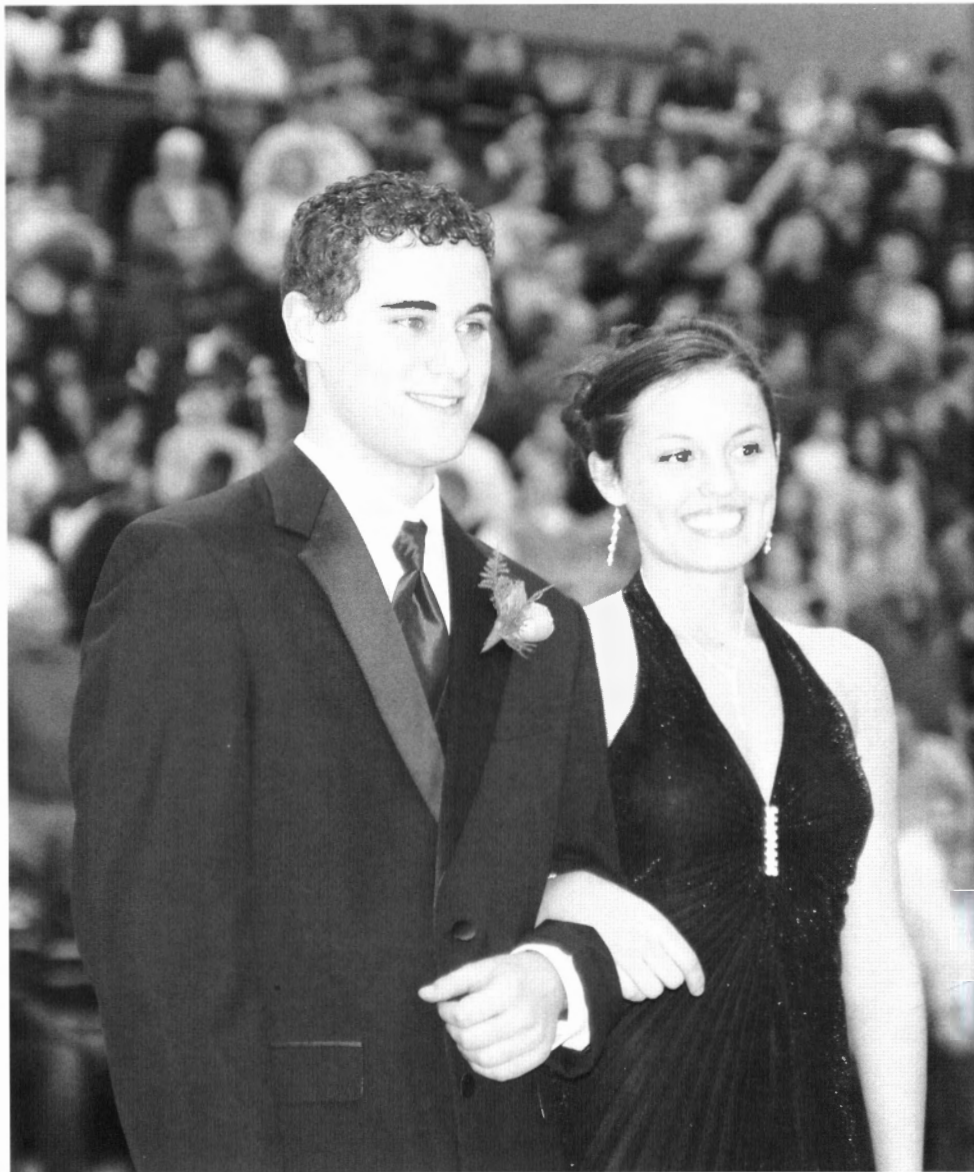
It was a blast. I loved the game we played to find out who the King and Queen was.

**How was the basketball game?**

The game was great; it was fun getting dressed up and the win over Okemos couldn't have been better.

**Did you enjoy the dance?**

I was surprised with how many people were there and the music was really good.



**Acting wild and crazy during lunch** on Wednesday, students participate in spirit week activities. The limbo was the activity with the highest student participation and brought out the most laughs. "I went all out for spirit week because it was my senior year. Hero day was my favorite because I got to dress up like the PoPo and they are the best. This year spirit week was awesome but more people should participate," said senior **Kadie Hein**. *Photo by Brooke Darling*



## Spirit Week

by Brooke Darling &  
Lauren Siebert



Monday - Pajama Day



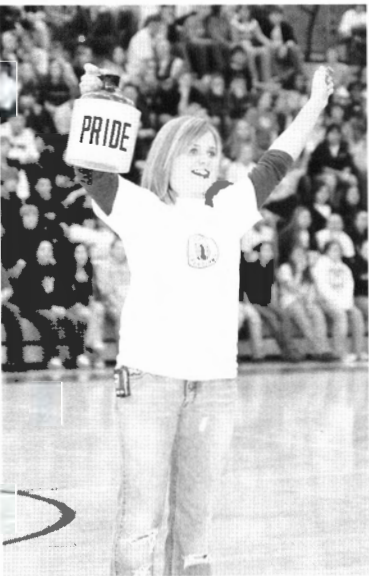
Tuesday - Hero Day



Wednesday - Hollywood Day



**Becoming glamorous for the night,** juniors **Danielle Smith** and **Miles Biel** **Doing the wheelbarrow in a hurry,** walk in front of a sold out crowd as senior court members **Stacey Stanley** and **Megan Massa** work together for part of the Winterfest court. This was the first time either of them had been a female victory during the Winter-on court. "It was exciting," said Smith. fest pep-rally. The school turned out All members of the court were an- for fun games, dancing, and to get nounced and pictures were taken, then pumped up for the big game later everyone enjoyed the big game against that night. "It was really fun pushing Okemos in the packed student section. scooters and doing the wheelborrow; "The game was pretty sweet," said Biel. especially when Franny and Erika fell," said Stanley. *Photo by Brooke Darling*



**Rallying up the students during the** pep-rally, announcer and senior **Laura Mastin** holds open the "Pride" jar to release the enthusiastic cheers of the senior class. "The pep-rally was really fun but I was worried about announcing because I didn't know what to say. It was really cool because it was my last pep-rally that I was involved in and I got to be a big part," said Mastin. This years pep-rally pumped up the students for the big game against Okemos. *Photo by Brooke Darling*



Thursday - Mismatch Day Friday - Brown and Gold Day

Acting wild and crazy is a perfect way to get out of the slump of cold winter weather; Winterfest is the exact time to do just that. The week of January 23rd to the 27th zoomed by with all the fun spirit shown

# Hype in the winter

by Brooke Darling & Lauren Siebert

by the students when they were allowed to get creative and goofy with out of the ordinary theme days. Students enjoyed the spectacles activites during lunch organized by Student Council. They were pumped up for the game by the pep-rally which had many performances and court games.

"The pep-rally was fun because I fell on my face in front of the whole school," said senior Franny De-joungh. The action packed week led up to the anticipation of the year; the basketball game against Okemos. The stands were packed with enthusiastic fans and non-stop noise until the buzzer sounded and the scoreboard read Holt-65, Okemos-60.

The game wasn't the end of the week's hysteria. With the rush of a win still on the minds of many students they joined together for a celebration at the Winterfest dance the following day.

# Winter royalty

by Brooke Darling



"I don't like being the center of attention, but it turned out being really fun."

King Dong Nguyen



"I felt nervous and excited; I was scared I was going to trip and fall again."

Queen Franny Dejongh

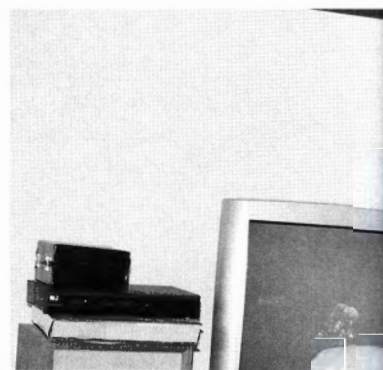




"TV is my relaxation; it's my unwinding time. When I watch TV I watch a lot of sports, comedy, and the *TLC* channel. My favorite television show is *Seinfeld* because it's funny and everything that happens in life, happens in *Seinfeld* as well. Kramer is my hero."

Teacher Dan Knetchel

While watching *American Idol*, seniors **Chelsea Mariano**, **Rachel Major**, **Siera Ingram**, and **Brittney Pike** laugh hysterically at the contestants. "I love *American Idol* because the people who actually can't sing are the most entertaining people on the show. It trips me out," said Ingram. Many people watch the show for the interesting contestants. "I want to go on *American Idol* only to get my fifteen minutes of fame," said Mariano. *Photo by Jared Buxton*



## Some favorites...

by Jessica Hayes



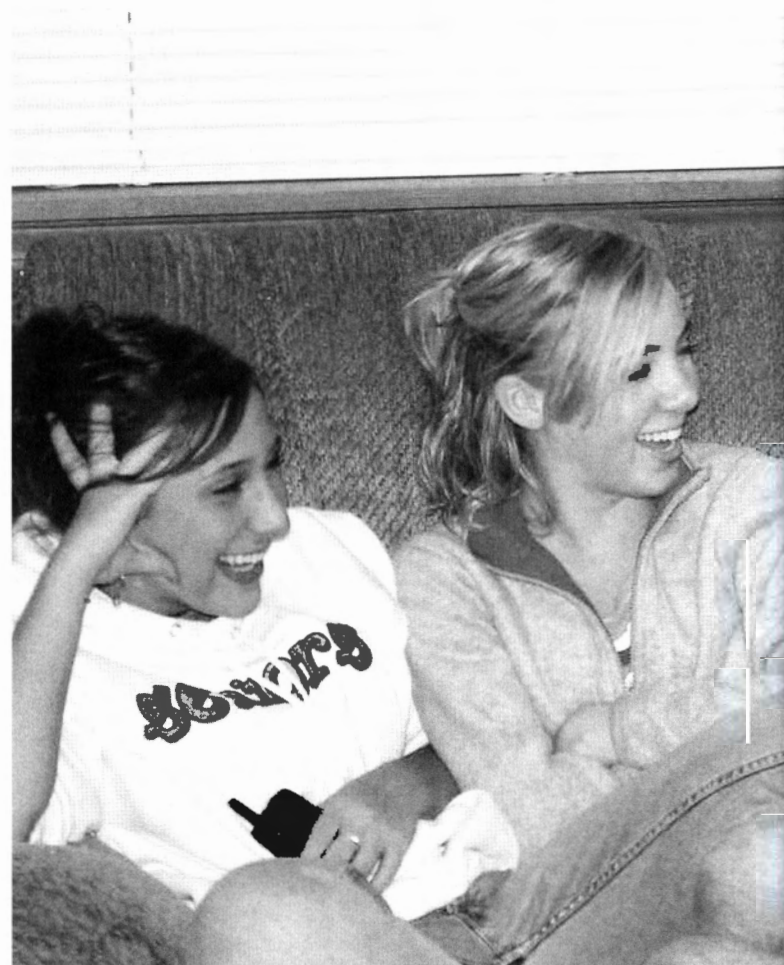
My favorite game is *NCAA 2006*, it's really addicting especially if you like high school football.

Senior  
Adam Runyon



I like *Grey's Anatomy* because it's really interesting, but I only watch two hours of television a week.

Sophomore  
Kristen Dykema

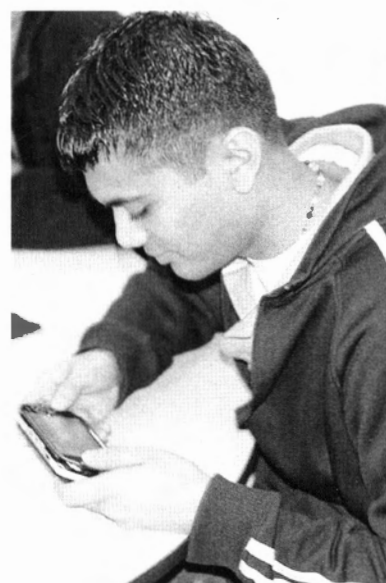


## TV Shows

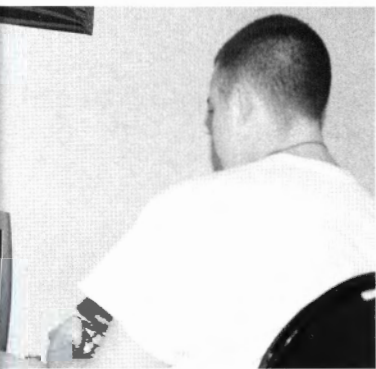
by Jessica Hayes

50%	Other
14%	<i>The OC</i>
13%	<i>Desperate Housewives</i>
13%	<i>Real World</i>
10%	Music Videos

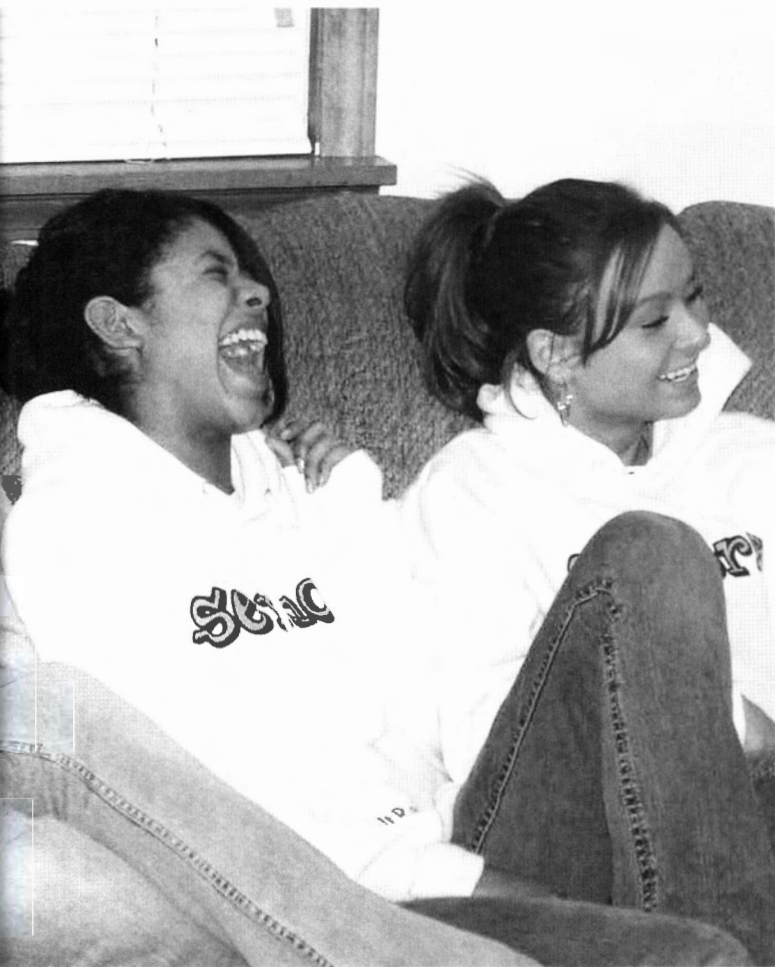
Spending some time playing *NCAA 2006* at lunch, senior **Hemant Patel** takes a break from his stressful day. "I play video games at lunch to relax. It's something that is really fun to do when you don't have anything better to do, and when you play it becomes addicting because you want to get better at it," said Patel. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*



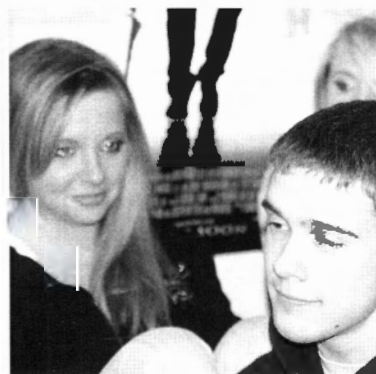




**Playing Counter Strike, senior Clayton Sadler** relaxes with his favorite video game. "I like playing war or just battle shooting games they get me excited to ship out for the Marines," said Sadler. War games such as this were popular amongst students, especially males. *Photo by Jared Buxton*



**Relaxing with his friends, senior Stephen Packer** watches *King of the Hill*. "I love watching movies. I watch movies mainly with my girlfriend, and sometimes her best friend is allowed to join. My favorite movie is *Troy* because the fight scenes in the movie are awesome, and Achilles kills everyone even Hector," said Packer. *Photo by Jared Buxton*



## Video Games

by Jessica Hayes

34%	Other
21%	<i>Grand Theft Auto</i>
18%	<i>Halo</i>
11%	<i>NCAA (all variations)</i>
8%	<i>Madden (all variations)</i>
8%	<i>Socom</i>

Twenty-five males and twenty-five females were surveyed to see which they preferred to do on their spare time: would they rather watch television or play video games?

## On your spare time

by Jessica Hayes

Television was the preference for both groups; 60% of males preferred to watch television.

"Video games get boring after awhile which is why I rather watch television. I like to watch reality TV because it keeps you hooked,"

said sophomore Joe Powers.

Still, many males - 40% - preferred to play video games. "ATV vs MX is the hottest game out because it's unique and you can race all different type of machines," said junior Dominique Scott.

Unlike males, 92% of the females prefer television. "When I watch TV I prefer to watch *Lost* because it's very suspenseful, it's a never ending show, so I watch every episode," said sophomore Kim Kaiser. Only 8% percent said they would rather play video games.



Sometimes life can be too overwhelming, and a vacation is the perfect solution. Vacations truly are the best way to escape. There's always time for sitting back and relaxing. Everyone knows there's

# Stress and vacation

by Megan Schallau

always that list of things you've got to do while your on a vacation.

Preparing for a vacation can be stressful. "You know you'll be missing school so you have to get all your homework from your teachers, and if your like me you have to

do laundry so you have clean clothes," said junior Meredith Nelson.

The memories you make and the souvenirs you buy are a constant reminder of your great vacation. "When you take your friends on vacation with you it's a time where you can all have fun, and the memories you make are something you can always look back on," said junior Mandy Doerr. Vacations with friends and family are absolutely unpredictable, and the memories you make are worth the weeks of stress before your vacation escape.

**Taking a moment to smile for the camera,** junior **Kara Brockhause** and senior **Lindsey Greiner** relax in the pool. "We were relaxing because it was our only time off while training for the swim team in Florida. We were just having some fun in the sun, sitting next to the pool and trying to get a tan. We spent most of our time baking under the sun with the occasional dip in the pool to cool us off," said Brockhaus. The girls spent most of their free time together when they got the chance. *Courtesy photo*



## Best vacation spot

by Megan Schallau

28%	Cancun
28%	Europe
20%	Hawaii
7%	New York
4%	Cruise
4%	Las Vegas
3%	Other
1%	South Carolina

72 students surveyed



**Kicking back in Laughlin, California,** juniors **Katelin Moule** and **Katie Wright** smile for a picture. For Spring break 2004 the girls went to Laughlin, Nevada. The girls went two years in a row. "I went with my family and I took Katelin both years, we stayed on a smaller version of the strip, it was exactly like it but on a river. We visited some of the casinos and toured the actual strip. We spent most of the time on the beach getting a tan," said Wright. *Courtesy photo*







**Riding off into the sunset, juniors Jesse Whitford, Chelsey White, Victoria Shearer, and Ashleh Worden** pose on a Harley at the Hard Rock Cafe. The girls went to Myrtle Beach with their youth group to build leadership and witnessing skills. They participated in an outreach to the community with showing God's love. "LT is a time to escape and connect with your friends and God. Every year we take the same picture on the bike," said White. *Courtesy photo*



**Hanging out in the pool, juniors Jordan Birch, Ashley Schouten, and Meagan Nakfor** pose for a group picture. In early November the girls traveled to Puerto Rico. "We went to Puerto Rico during school because my mom was going to visit family and I brought my friends, we had an amazing time," said Birch. *Courtesy photo*

## Q&A with Jesse Skouby

by Megan Schalaus

**Why are you going to Florida?**

I'm going to Florida with my family because it's warm there, I mean it is the sunshine state. Plus there's a lot of beautiful women, not that there aren't any here too.

**What are you planning on doing?**

We're staying at the Sheraton Resort, so I plan on laying out by the pool and swimming. Maybe meet some new people.

## Most memorable

by Megan Schalaus



"I didn't think the Grand Canyon was going to be a big deal, just another hole in the ground. I went with my family, the experience was amazing, and something I will never forget."

**Junior Kelly Young**



"Going to Greece was my first time ever being out of the country. I went with my cousin and other family. It was a great learning experience, I learned about my culture and family."

**Junior Stavroula Kyriakopoulos**





**Weighting a scoop of candy** for a customer at Keans is senior **Audrey Dowell**. Dowell has been working at Keans since school started in August of 2005. "I like all the girls I work with and everyone is pretty laid back," said Dowell. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*

## Q&A with Allison Briggs

by Heather Ungerman

**Is your job suitable to you?**

I would say I am more quiet and reserved, not loud. I like quiet and control, I don't like chaos.

**Why do you want to be a librarian?**

I like to read a lot and I feel like all librarians are nice.

**What is your favorite part about your job?**

I get to see new books and I get to see what other people are interested in.

## Stephanie Clark

by Heather Ungerman



"I like working there. I mostly do office work but right now I am training to be a dental assistant."

**Senior  
Stephanie Clark**

**Before anyone can come in and tan** at Angela's Hair and Tanning they have to check in. Senior **Ember Osborn** checks customers in and cleans tanning beds at the salon in Dimondale. "I didn't know I wanted a job in that career until I started working there," said Osborn. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*



**Checking the oil under the hood** of a car is something that senior **Steve Dutcher** could do in his sleep. Dutcher loves working on cars and he works at West Side Car Care in Waverly. Dutcher was placed at West Side Car Care for his apprenticeship from the Capital Area Career Center finishing up his junior year, and after his apprenticeship was over, he was offered a job. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*

**Shelving books is a part of senior Allison Briggs'** job at the Mason Library. Briggs shelves and checks in books a couple days a week after school to get a feel for the profession, who is thinking about being a librarian. Briggs enjoys English, reading and language. "The job seemed really compatible with me," Briggs said. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*







Cleaning tanning beds is also in senior **Ember Osborn's** job description, although that is not what she wants to do when she grows up. Osborn has been working at Angela's Hair and Tanning for about a year and half in Dimondale and eventually wants to be a cosmetologist. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*



## What's your career pathway?

by Heather Ungerman

- 30% Working with people
- 16% Working with ideas & things
- 14% Working with people & data
- 12% Working with ideas
- 28% Other

50 Students surveyed

Many students are not as fortunate to get a good job in the field they are interested in while they are in high school. There are many good programs to place students in jobs they are interested in but

## Making the connection

by Heather Ungerman

that usually involves alternative programs offered at school such as mentoring, the Capital Area Career Center or LAMP.

Some students got hired and loved their job so much they decided they wanted a career in that profession, such as senior Ember Osborn who works at Angela's Hair and Tanning. "It was a coincidence, I didn't know I wanted a job in that career until I started working there," said Osborn.

While for other students it was the complete opposite. Senior Stephanie Clark wants to be a dental hygienist so she got a job for Dr. Michael Huttinger. Current dental assistants at the office are now training Clark to be a dental assistant. Dental assistants take patients back to their rooms, clean dental tools, and clean dental rooms.



# CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS

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# JAY PORTER

## creates a club

by Justine Kozlina & Trina Rawlinson



When junior **JAY PORTER** got the idea to begin a new club he was swarmed with support from his fellow students.

"I just wanted to start a club to help motivate inner city kids to make the right decision so that they won't do anything bad," said Porter.

"We the People" is a club that is focused not just in Holt but in the greater Lansing area.

"To start this club I had to get a group of like minded people together who wanted to achieve the same thing I did," said Porter.

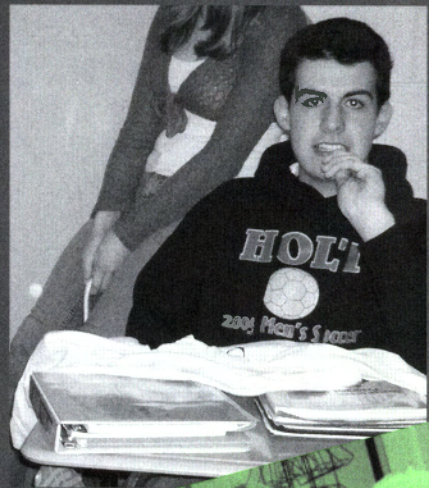
Even with support, creating the club was a hassle. In the beginning he had to contact the people in charge of making the decision. Then he had to set meeting dates for people interested.

During the first meeting he and others created a mission statement and an agenda to show. Even with all this hard work, Porter said the most difficult thing is finding people as dedicated to his cause as he is.

"One of the more chaotic moments we had was when we were arguing over being a political group or a service based group," said Porter.

# S. A.

Sitting and listening to directions after SADD finally comes to order, senior **DANIEL SANCHEZ** begins working on another SADD project. SADD had many good intentions this year to make a difference and get their point across, but a lack of enthusiasm made things hard. Photo by Trina Rawlinson



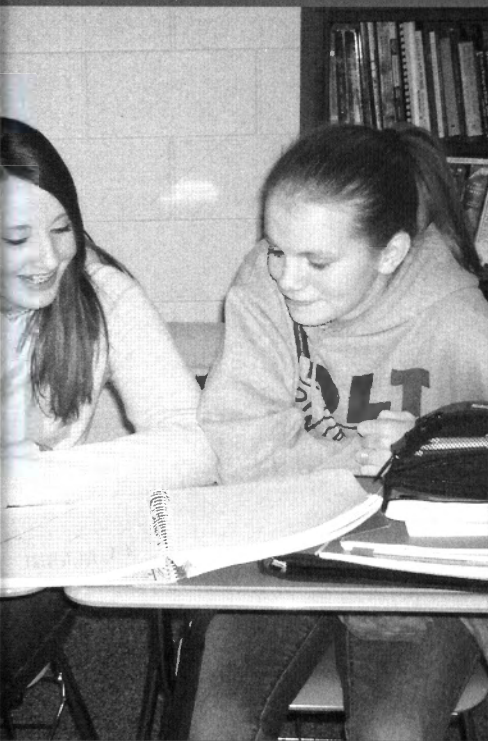
While trying to create a poster to raise SADD awareness, a fellow student throws a piece of butcher paper senior **AMBER BROWN**. This was just one example of how the club got off task this year. Photo by Trina Rawlinson



# S.D.

# news

by Justine Kozlina & Trina Rawlinson



Reading instead of paying attention during a meeting, sophomores **KELLY HAMELIN** and **KENDRA DENYES** show how hard it is to get the group to pay attention. Sophomores made up most of the SADD members this year, with only a few junior and senior returners to lead the group. *Photo by Trina Rawlinson*

Fifteen minutes into activity period students are still talking loudly and arguing. SADD was suppose to vote for the president and vice president but it never happened because the club couldn't get organized.

"We do not meet very often so when we do we have *a lot* to talk about. The issues we talk about are chaotic issues because they happen so often with in the school," said senior **AMANDA RAWLINSON**.

School social worker Dave Bird was a new advisor this year. "He is cool because he's funny and makes me laugh, " said sophomore **MARC ANDERSON**.

Although the group struggled to accomplish their goals, they did enjoy their time together this year.

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# Behind the **SCENES:**

## **TECH** Society

by Justine Kozlina &  
Trina Rawlinson

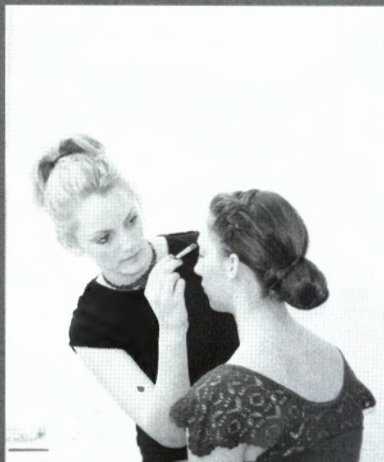
**B**uilding sets, moping, lighting the stage and making sure the sound is right are only a few of the many activities the tech society performs.

"I clean and set up props along with giving people cues and letting actors know when to go," said sophomore **KENNETH GIBBS**. Being backstage can get very chaotic.

"I run the lights but sometimes the equipment doesn't work right and we have to hurry and redo it or fix it," said junior **ROSS HINEMAN**.

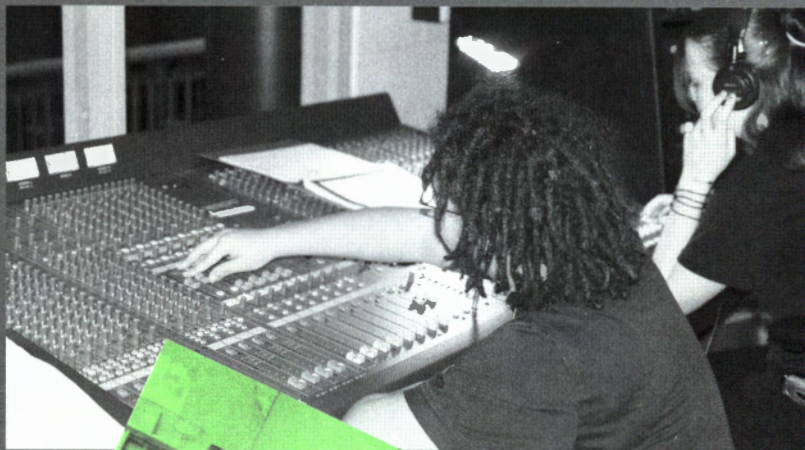
Being in tech is one of the most demanding clubs. It involves many hours out of school either building the sets or helping make the shows run right.

"Tech is hard with all the hours because you have to understand how to balance school and tech hours and stay sane at the same time," sophomore **EMILY COBBS**.



**B**eautifying the cast of *The Diary of Anne Frank*, junior **KATE HAMEL** applies stage make-up before one of the shows begins. Makeup was only one of the many tasks that Hamel performed before and during the show. Photo by Justine Kozlina

**L**ights, sound, camera, action. Lights and sound are very important in creating a great show. Sophomores **RACHELLE HOUGH** and **EMILY COBBS** work the lights to create just the right mood. Technical skill was a must for members of tech society. Photo by Justine Kozlina



**M**oping up to make sure there are no marks on the stage, senior **JOSH HARRISON** works hard to make the set perfect. Moping up was always done before a show. "I hate moping and so does everyone else that's why I have to do it," said Harrison. Photo by Justine Kozlina







## Quiz bowl stats

by Kelly Hamelin & Trina Rawlinson

**11** - Students involved with the quiz bowl team this year.

**2** - Teachers that advise the team.

**15** - Teams in the tri-county competition.

## Lindsey Konzman

by Kelly Hamelin

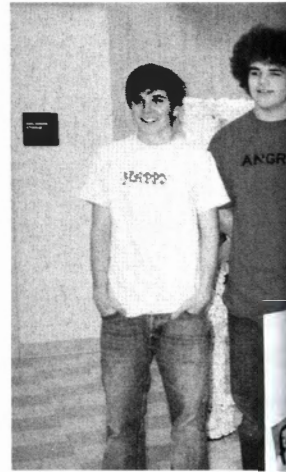


"I've done destination imagination for going on ten years. My third grade teacher originally got me into it, and I just kind of stuck with it. It's a lot of work pretty much all the time but it's definitely a lot of fun too. It's cool to just be creative all the time and be able to hang out with your friends. "

Testing out a new vehicle design for competition, sophomore **Mitch Zajac** and senior **Joey Hrapkiewicz** take a ride. Being part of destination imagination requires hours upon hours of building and brain storming ideas. In order to compete in the global competition held in the spring, the team must go over and above just brain smarts, and get creative. *Courtesy photo*



Participating in the Grand Ledge tri-county meet members of the Quizbowl B-team, juniors **Ivy Klien**, **Dani sweet**, and sophomore **Dustin Hagfors** answer questions. "Being part of quiz bowl really helps me in school, the stuff we learn is really beneficial," said Hagfors. *Photo by Debbie Childers*





## Working to achieve

by Kelly Hamelin



**Science Olympiad requires hours of practice** studying and building. "The entire team's hard work really pays off. Holt's Science Olympiad team qualifies for state competition every year," said senior Jessica Seguin.



**Standing proud after a performance** Holt High School's Destination Imagination team displays a sign. The team consists of seniors **Joey Hrapkiewicz**, **Lindsey Konzman**, **Stacey Stanley**, **Michelle Adams** and sophomores **Mitch Zajac**, **Chris Carrier**, and **Ben Wilson**. Three of the seven team members have been on the team for nine years together. *Courtesy photo*

**Science Olympiad requires lots of** extra time, as displayed here by junior **Alyce Siedelburg**. Meeting for nearly six hours a week, the team works hard to achieve their goals. "Alyce is a really hard worker, even with a lot of other commitments, she makes time to participate on the team," said junior **Albert Gillison**. *Courtesy photo*



## Beyond the grade

by Trina Rawlinson & Kelly Hamelin

While most students choose to participate in sports or get a part-time job, some Holt High School students choose to continue the learning process even after school hours. They participate in clubs such as Science Olympiad, Quiz Bowl, and Destination Imagination. All of these clubs meet two or three times a week for several hours and eventually compete against other schools in the area.

Destination Imagination consists of three competitions. The regional competition was at the high school, the state competition at Central Michigan University and the global competition in Tennessee.

Science Olympiad has two types of events to complete in competition. These are the studying and building events. For example, Robot Ramble is one of the biggest building events. "I joined Science Olympiad because I had friends in it and I enjoy science," said junior Chelsea Leighton.

The Quiz Bowl team participates in several competitions each year. The larger ones include the CAAC competitions which have a total of eight teams and Tri-County competition which have 15 teams.

"I've continued to do DI because it's fun."

Senior Joey Hrapkiewicz

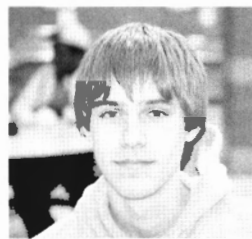
## The inside scoop

by Kelly Hamelin & Trina Rawlinson



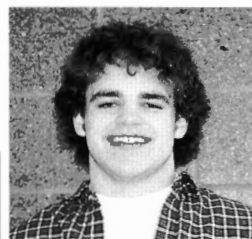
"I started participating DI when I was in third grade and continued until this year. I really liked it because I got to spend time with my friends. We had a ton of fun."

Junior Erin Bondarenko



"I joined DI because I thought it would be a good opportunity to make new friends and I thought it would be good for my schooling career."

Sophomore Chris Carrier



"My favorite part is making really cool stuff that not many people can make."

Sophomore Mitch Zajac



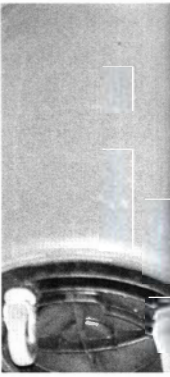
## Sign-up woes

by Jake Bonotto

"One day I noticed that everyone got to leave class because their name was on a list, but my name wasn't," said senior Morgan Brower. Although there were many clubs, new students and students who missed the sign up were often unaware of the opportunities.



Reenacting a favorite memory from last year, junior **Aaron Alana** poses with the trash can he collided with during activity period. "Playing skoosh ball, **Jake Bonotto** kicked the ball at me and I backed up into a trash can and it got knocked over taking me down with it. It kind of hurt," said Alana. Members of the club experienced many memorable moments during the year. *Photo by Jake Bonotto*



## Clubless

by Jake Bonotto



"I don't even know if I am in a club. Chess club maybe? I might be in the minority club, but I don't know if it is a club still."

Junior Duy Pham



"I'm not in a club because they don't interest me. If I could start a club of my own, I would start a paint ball club."

Senior Dan Whitford



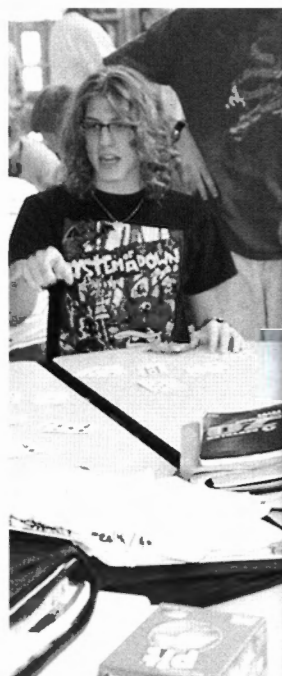
"Once upon a time, I was in a club. But because I walked around instead of attending, I got kicked out. I didn't care though."

Senior Colin Johnson



Standing before a stage full of new members, the leaders of tech society talk to students about upcoming events. Every year there are the few that step up and take a strong leadership roll. Tech society worked behind the scenes to make every production at Holt High School not just possible, but flawless. "As the guru of tech society it's my job to direct membership, so events in the theater run smoothly," said junior **Alex Freeman**. *Photo by Jake Bonotto*

Why sit in class when you could be hanging out with your friends? Members of Connectors Club play cards while enjoying each other's company. Junior **Chad Hester** believes that Connectors Club is the way to go when it comes to picking the right club. "It's wicked sweet," said Hester. *Photo by Jake Bonotto*

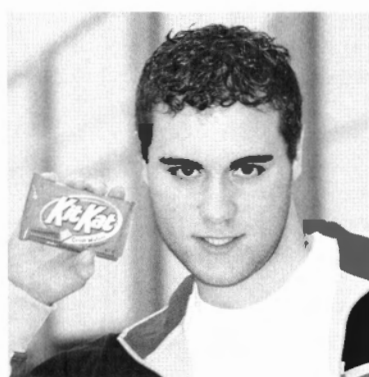
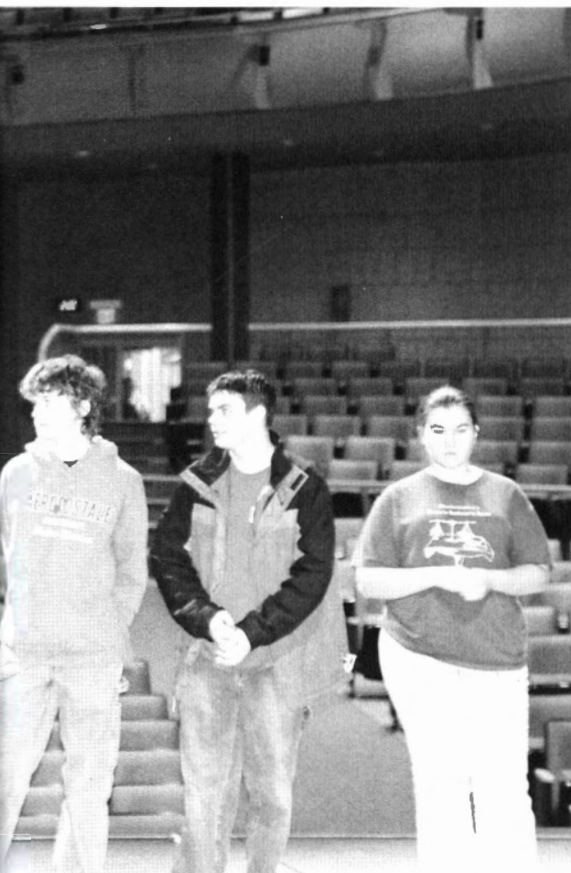


## Choosing the best

by Jake Bonotto

- Are you willing to take this club seriously?
- Can you gain anything by joining this club?
- What kind of things can you share with others?
- Do you have a talent that others can relate to?
- Do you have the time to commit to this club?
- Are you in any activities that may conflict with this club?

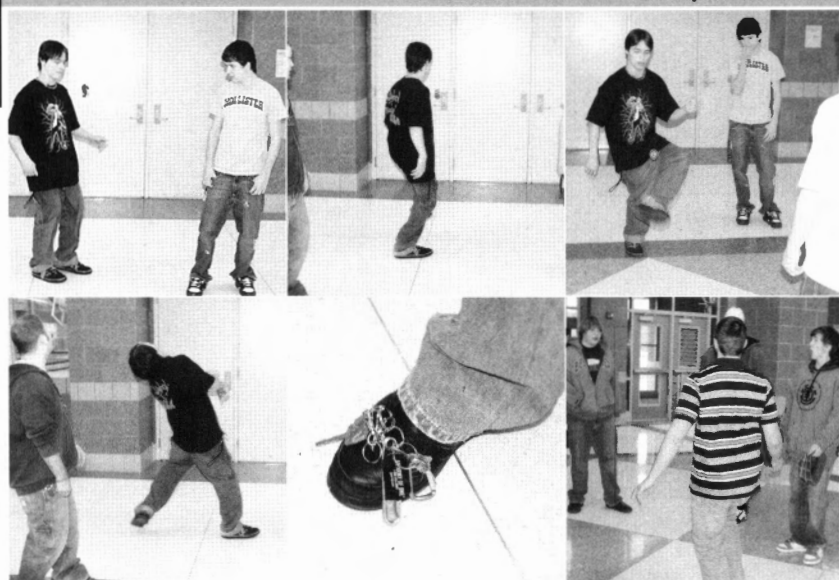




**Participating in Connectors Club,** senior **Miles Beil** wins himself a Kit Kat bar. "It was good, but it was awesome in my belly. I am so glad I signed up for this club. Chocolate is my middle name and the fun I won in a game," said Beil. Winning prizes was one of the perks of the club. *Photo by Jake Bonotto*

## Hack attack

by Jake Bonotto



Any day, at any time, you will probably see Brenton Simon playing hacky sack with his friends. Two years ago, Simon went out of his way and helped start a new club called Hack Club. Within only two years, this club tripled in size. "Hacky sack is a very popular past time. It gives you something to do, when there is nothing to do," said Simon.

## Activity period

by Jake Bonotto

Once a month, on a Wednesday afternoon, you might hear an announcement that allows students to leave the classroom and to attend the clubs that they had signed up for. At the beginning of every year, each student had the opportunity to join a club of their own personal interest.

Each club offered a variety of fun, experience and fellowship with friends. There were many different options for clubs here at Holt High School, and each one offered something completely new. Clubs ranged from Connectors Club to Chess Club to Skoosh Ball Club.

Activity period was a time for students to be a part of something that they could contribute to. Many memories were made during activity period, just ask Arron Alana.

"Last year I was playing skoosh ball, Jacob Bonotto threw the ball at my head and I stepped backwards into a trash can, knocking myself and the full trash can over. How embarrassing," said Alana. It was always a good feeling to know you could leave class just to be with your friends and do something enjoyable.

Is there a club meant for you?



# Judged expressions

by Lauren Siebert

Who would have thought high school students could get their way into a club by arguing with one another? The small number of students on Holt's debate team did just that. With help from the club's supervisor and coach, Guil Northrup, the Debate team traveled far to use their intelligence to battle over serious issues with other high school students in competitions. They were judged on their skills in debate as well as speech. Being on the debate team allowed students to structure their views and opinions in persuasive ways and gave them the ability to express themselves among other students to get their points considered.

The spotlight is turned on, revealing to an audience a high school student alone on a stage. What happened next depended on the students involved with the Forensics team, also coached by Northrup. They braved the big stage alone, expressing themselves at competitive tournaments. The Forensics team members chose from many different kinds of stage performances in different categories of speech and theater that they practice in order to make them stand out to judges and give them advantage over other high school's competitors.

## Having to shine under stress.

Eventhough it's her third year of participating in Forensics, junior **Caitlin Mckee** still preps herself by practicing her activity in front a teammate to ensure perfection. "The judges are so nit-picky sometimes. One time they marked my down for my jacket not matching my shirt," said Mckee. Even with the harsh and tight criticism, Mckee continued to stick with Forensics because of the many interesting people she met at tournaments. She also enjoyed the confidence Forensics gave her. *Photo by Lauren Siebert*



**Students in the commons** demonstrate their own debating skills. New-comers were urged to join due to the small numbers and status the Debate and Forensics teams now hold. "There simply isn't enough focus on academic clubs, making participation dwindle," said coach **Guil Northrup**. *Photo by Lauren Siebert*

## Details to debate

by Lauren Siebert



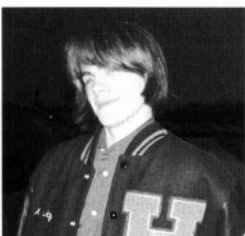
"I joined debate because you get to travel a lot, and there is a lot less practice than most people expect. This year our debate topic was detainment, which deals with search and seizure."

Junior Phil Marlow



"Debate isn't just random arguments, it's a lot more structured than that. I have been participating in debate since I was a freshman and I'll definitely continue. I've even been offered scholarships from it."

Senior Tyler Orme



"I got into debate to have opportunities to travel, which the debate team does a lot of. I want to go into political science when I graduate, so it helps me in certain areas for my future."

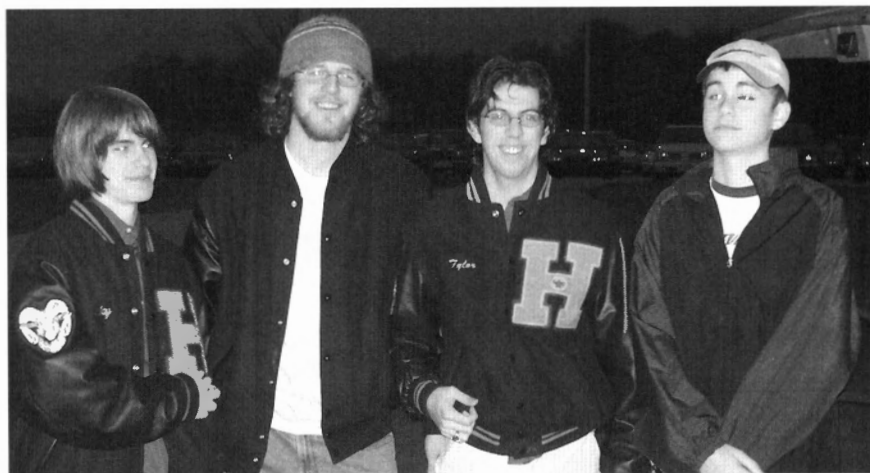
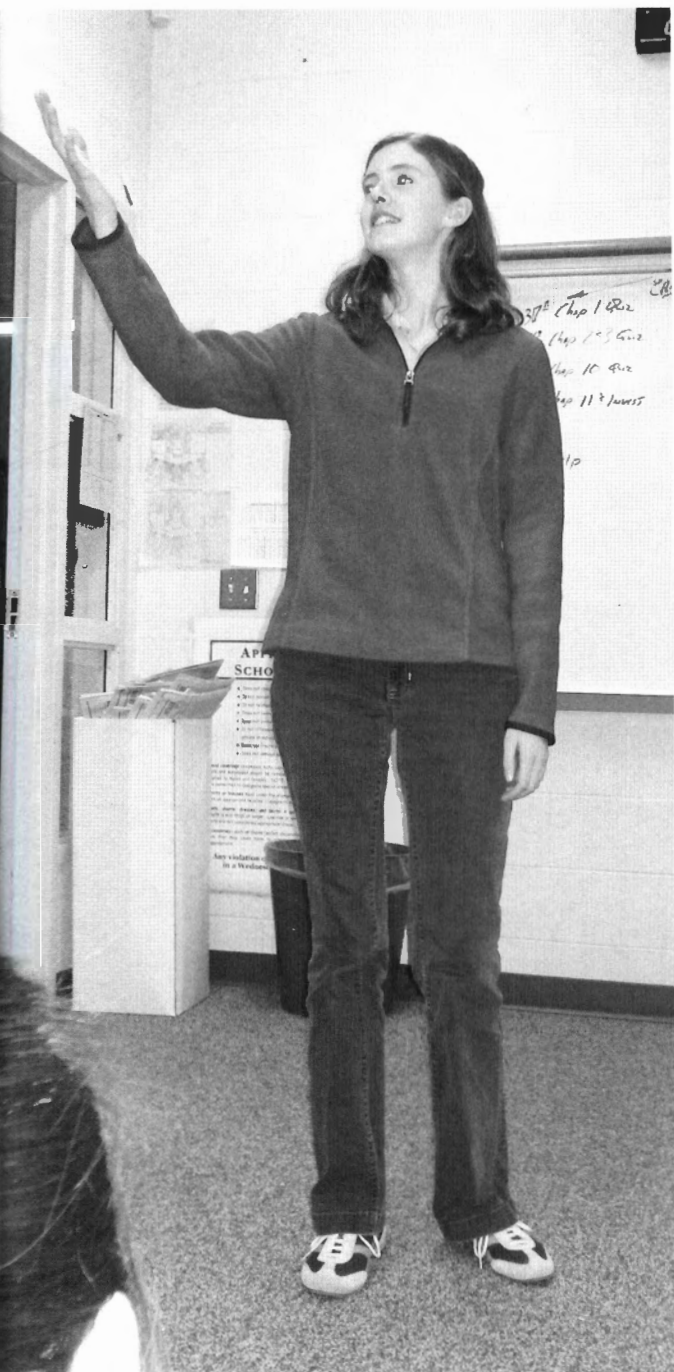
Junior A Jay Holmgren

## Over looked facts

by Lauren Siebert

- 14 - Debate tournaments attended
- 8 - Forensic tournaments attended
- 3 - Coaches
- 3 - Participating area schools
- 1-2- Practices each week





The varsity Debate team poses outside a full van for their long journey to Harvard. Senior Tyler Orme, juniors Ajay Holmgren and Phil Marlow, and coach Jackson Buddingh were pumped up for their competition. The boys had to miss two days of school in order to compete, but according to team advisor Guil Northrup it was all worth it. "Athletics can get anybody into college, but debate can get anybody through college," said Northrup. Photo by Lauren Siebert

Junior Caitlin Mckee looks at a debate/forensic flyer as she considers joining the team. Mckee was unsure of what forensics was all about, simply an alternative, new organization to be part of. Mckee decided to switch from her regular forensic category; speech to theater because, "It was time to try something new." Photo by Lauren Siebert

## Sammy Le's steps to stardom in Forensics

by Lauren Siebert



Sammy Le is using Forensics to become a star. (1) Le attends a meeting to make sure she is signed up to participate in Forensic activities. (2) Le searches for a piece to do her activity on. (3) Le stays in contact with her coach and looks over pointers in how to pull off her final performance. (4) Le makes sure her social and academic life stay top notch along with Forensics. (5) Le practices her skit to make sure she can pull it off in front of the judges. (6) Le is proud of previously received medals proving that she is on the road to success.



## Acts of interest

by Brooke Darling

- Show commitment by being involved after school.
- Accept others for who they are not their skin color.
- Spread tolerance to the community and school.

## Making a difference

by Brooke Darling

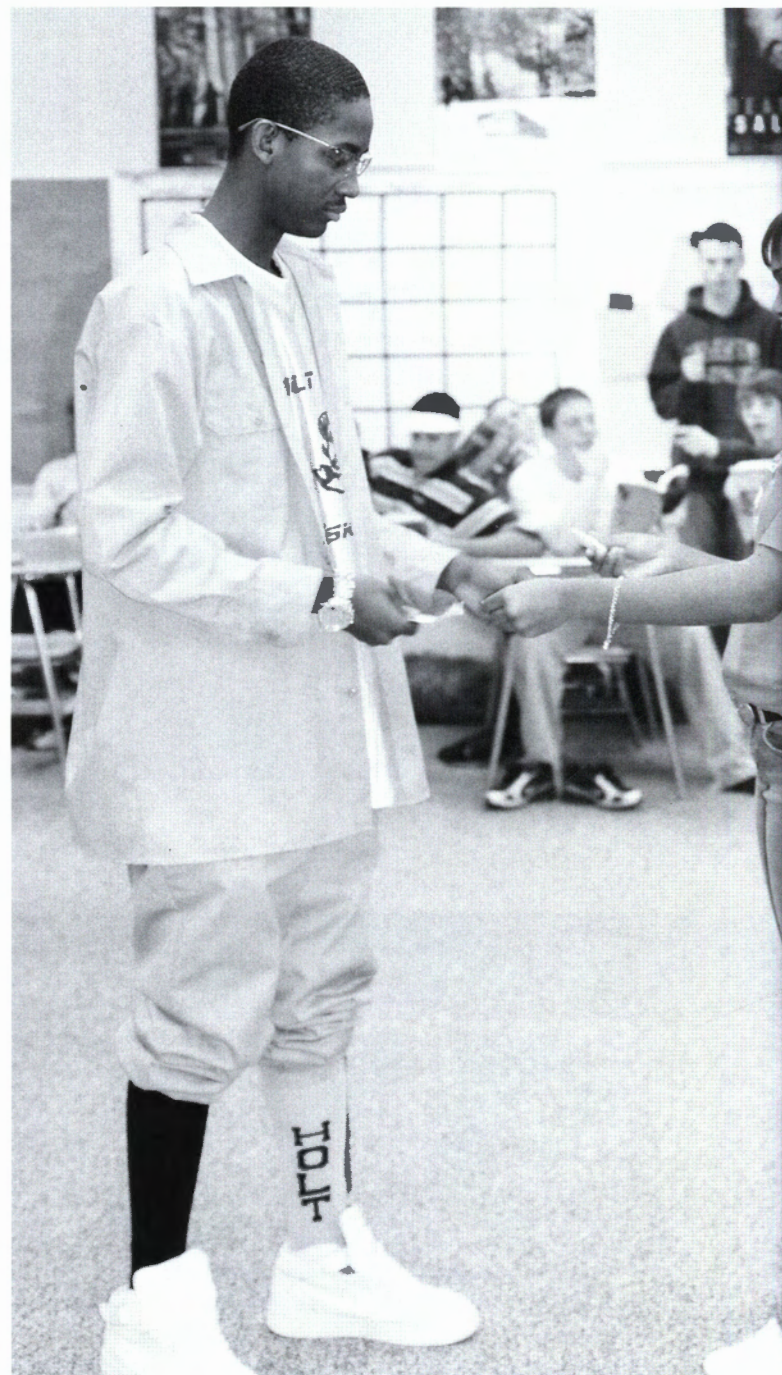
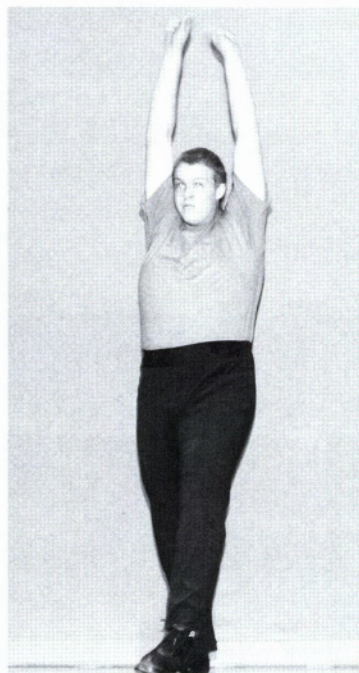


Determined to eliminate discrimination at Holt High School, junior Jamie Jones joined the International Club and is one of three female leaders. She joined to have fun with all her friends and to be with people as they come together to find ways to make the school more diverse. With her love for culture she contributed greatly to this new club.



"The International Club is founded on good values," said junior **Jay Porter**. Showing his support for this club by performing in the International Show, Porter wowed the audience by playing the piano and a song he composed. "Playing in front of a crowd for the first time was awesome," said Porter who hopes for the club to make an impact and improve the racial issues in this school. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*

Performing a dance to a Palestinian Liberation song, senior **Brandon Currin**, puts his seven years of dance experience on display for the audience during the International Show. "This was a great experience and I will definitely do it again," said Currin. He was involved in as much as he can in the club and believes in the changes it is making. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*



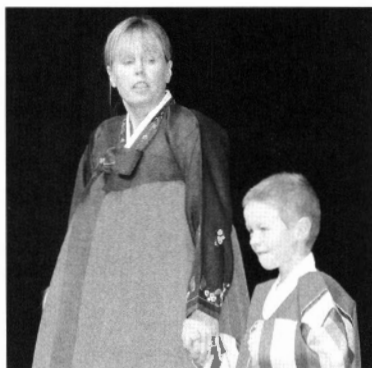


## Building blocks

by Brooke Darling

- 1 - Years as a club
- 3 - Leaders
- 25 - Members
- 2 - Events hosted
- 1 - Teacher involved

"**Racism equals Ignorance**" is the slogan used by the International Club to spread awareness. To promote the values of the club, junior **Jamie Jones**, one of the club's leaders, sells a bracelet to junior **Dante Murchison**, who wants to lend his support. Along with the bracelets, the International Club has made posters to inform the school of racial issues and spread awareness about diversity. *Photo by Stephanie Mathers*



"**Wow, I did not realize that I have stage fright,**" exclaimed computer teacher **Nancy Meredith** about her participation in the International Show. Meredith was joined by her two children who showed off their traditional Korean outfits. The outfits were from a friend she met in an exchange program and through correspondences with students at Haslett Elementary school. "Having the kids with me was the best part, they are very fond of our Korean friend, Mija," said Meredith. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*

## International Club

by Brooke Darling

Beginning its first year, the International Club made many efforts to improve the atmosphere of the school. The number of members grew along with the amount of racial awareness and the school started to become more involved. The International Club hosted the International Show in November of 2005, with a great turn out of a variety of people wanting to share different cultures with each other and the people who attended.

This club also attended a Martin Luther King dinner on January 16th and other events that came up during the school year. All the members worked extremely hard to spread awareness about racism to students by selling bracelets and putting up posters. They addressed the issues of racism, discrimination, and acceptance.

All of this hard work took place after school once a month and during activity period on Wednesdays. However, the hard work was overshadowed by the enjoyment that all the members received from being able to make a difference in the school, coming together with others, and helping students learn about accepting everyone no matter the color of their skin.

"**Bringing everyone together as one.**"

- Senior Jessica Hayes

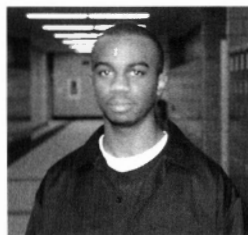
## Joining the fight

by Brooke Darling



"I joined International Club to make changes in the school and to help people realize that all cultures should be accepted and recognized. I enjoy being able to make people aware that skin color doesn't matter."

Junior Brittany LaMorel



"I joined because I'm against racism and I just want to make it stop at school. It's a good club to be a part of."

Sophomore Jeff Marshall



"I joined to help bring issues and the message of racism to Holt because the school isn't really doing anything; and I want to make a difference."

Junior Jessica Foster



# K.E.Y. Club

by Sandra McCormick

K.E.Y. Club or Kiwanis Educating Youth is a club that dedicates its time to helping others. It's members strive to be there for others. Yet, unlike other clubs that helped out this year they did not announce their involvement; they were a silent partner that helped others. Most of the members loved this fact.

The best thing that they did is work at the Alf House. It was a house located off Sycamore St. in Holt. Members went there and raked leaves in the fall and removed snow during the winter. Hazel, the owner of the house, always had food for the students when they are finished with their work. On cold days, it was usually cocoa and cookies.

"Many times over key club donates their time with out recognition to help others who are in need," said senior Katelyn Shaw.

There lack of being advantageous for their own gain was humbling, making them true workers of the individual character. They also had great support in the community from their parent group Kiwanis.

## What can they do for you?

### What K.E.Y. Club offers

by Sandra McCormick



"We help out, like a lot of community service. When those two families, lost their homes, we made lots of money. It felt really good."

Junior Emily Spenny



"I like it because I like to help people. I wanted to serve a group to help advance society."

Senior Thomas Kroll



"I like volunteering. I makes me get a good feeling because of all the people we help."

Senior Tiffany Smitly

### The Alf House is home to Hazel.

She has lived there since 1945 when her family purchased the home. Every fall members and volunteers of K.E.Y. Club go to her house to rake leaves in her front lawn. During the winter K.E.Y. Club also goes to remove the snow that builds up on the drive way and side walk. In return for their services Hazel brings the students hot cocoa. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*



**Saving the earth one piece of paper** at a time, senior **Thomas Kroll** works at the Kiwanis paper drive on Saturday, January 28, 2006. Members of Kiwanis's charter at MSU also showed up to help. Part of Key club is interaction with all ages. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*

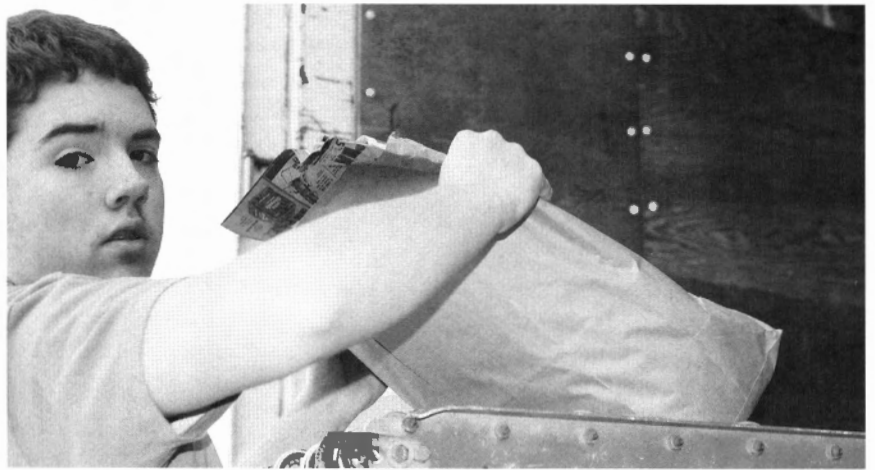
### Kiwanis Facts

by Sandra McCormick

- Motto: "Serving the children of the world."
- Name means: "we trade" or "we have good time."
- There are 8,400 clubs and nearly 280,000 members in 96 nations.







**Taking care of business, is sophomore Mark Golbeck** of Key Club. Most of the people who work with key club are not actually members, but rather students of holt high school who give their time and services to help others. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*



**Double teaming the job, is half the fun,** at least for seniors **Tram Lee** and **Thomas Kroll**. They are loading paper out of the trunk of a car for the paper drive. The day itself was quite warm and sunny out. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*

## The inside scoop on Jessica Seguin

by Sandra McCormick

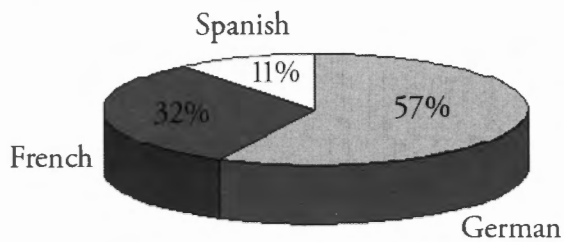


Kiwanis Educating Youth or K.E.Y. Club, dedicates its time to helping others. Its goal is to help others while taking no credit for their effort. They are a ghost amongst most high schoolers, their goal is just to get the job done. It is this fact that makes senior Jessica Seguin driven to be the best president she can be. "K.E.Y. Club does not have an alternative motive, we just do it," said Seguin. Seguin has been the president for the last two years and has helped organize people to help the elders, people who have lost their homes and caring for the planet.



## How they compare

by Josh Munyon



*These numbers are based on the 2005-2006 activity period list*

## Why a language club?

by Josh Munyon

- Eat all sorts of foreign food
- The opportunity to visit another country.
- Experience a culture different from your own.
- Meet with other students who can speak the same language as you can.
- Learn more of the language and only a few people would be able understand what your saying.
- Knowledge that is gained from the club will be stuck with you for life.

## Why did you join?

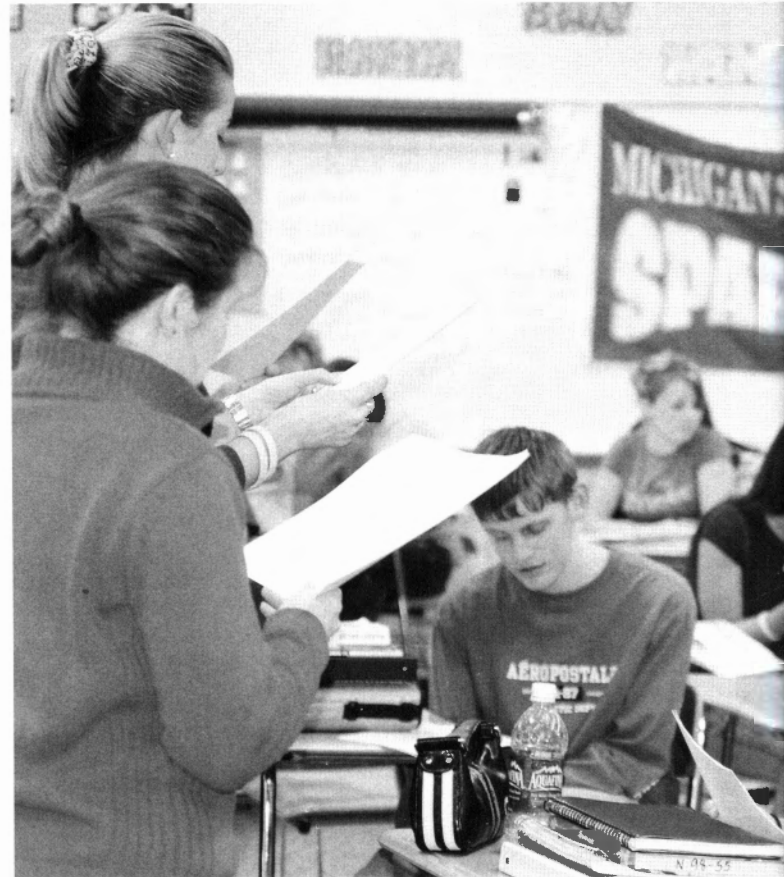
by Josh Munyon



"I joined Spanish Club because I needed to put more clubs and activities on my transcripts so I can get more scholarships and look good for colleges. It was also really fun."

Junior Marcuss Cervantes

Enjoying their day in Frankenmuth juniors **Elizabeth Sierminiki**, **Christina McPike**, **Taylor Parker**, **Cassandra Meier**, and sophomore **Morgan Wilson** complete a church service at the St. Lorenz Church. "The church service wasn't very interesting but I love going to Frankenmuth because I get to hang out with all my friends, go shopping, and I especially like the food," Sierminski said. *Courtesy Photo*



**Leading the Spanish club in their rehearsal**, teachers **Amy Sheppard** and **Karen Holmen-Cervera** prepare the club to carol at the local retirement community. "We will be caroling every Christmas now to practice language skills and to brighten up the holidays for others," said Holmen-Cervera. *Photo by Josh Munyon*

**After completing their meal at a local Frankenmuth restaurant**, junior **Tashanne Brower** and senior **Kristin Oberst** stand outside of the Frankenmuth welcome center. I love going to Frankenmuth," said Oberst, "I liked going to the church with its cool windows and paintings." *Photo by Kacie Dittenber.*







**Enjoying their activity period,** sophomore **Stephanie Robert** and juniors **Kylie Trent** and **Kayla Drake** dig into the French food offered during their French club meeting. "I joined French club because I love French class," said Trent, "we also get to make tee-shirts and sometimes go on field trips." *Photo by Josh Munyon*

## ¿ Say what ?

by Josh Munyon

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| 1.) Les anans ne parlent pas!        | a.) Danube Steam Ship Tour Co.     |
| 2.) Du bist eine grosse Wasserbüffel | b.) Litterly to suck dust (vacuum) |
| 3.) Donaudomfschiffahrtsgesellschaft | c.) Ah Dang it!!                   |
| 4.) Staubsaugen                      | d.) Good Joke!                     |
| 5.) Zut Alors!!                      | e.) Its not cake (its not easy)    |
| 6.) Buen Chiste!                     | f.) I like French Fries            |
| 7.) Me gustan las papas fritas       | g.) You are a big water buffalo.   |
| 8.) C'est n'est pas du Gâteau        | h.) That's it. That's all.         |
| 9.) Eso sí que es (SOCKS)            | i.) Pineapples don't speak!        |

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## Culture Clash

by Josh Munyon & Justine Kozlina

Hola! Bonjour! Guten tag! Saying hello has never been easier with students speaking languages outside of class so much. The language clubs offered by Holt High School allowed students to learn more about the culture of their desired language.

"I joined German club because I was in German class and I wanted to learn more about the culture," said senior Kayla Burns. By joining these different language clubs, students applied a more activity-based style of learning. Being able to go to Frankenmuth as a field trip, singing Spanish songs, or making French cuisine, all made learning about culture fun. Usually language clubs met one Wednesday a month during activity period or at other times outside of school.

Cuisine is a big part of a foreign culture. French club made many different foods including croissants. Where as Spanish club went out to eat at an authentic Spanish restaurant once or twice a month. And for the first time, the German club had a party where they ate German food and watched a German movie. By enjoying these activities students truly did become culturally aware.

## H-Town meets the world



# Why join?

by Meagan Woodworth & Trina Rawlinson



"I love going out into the community and it's great to see that you can brighten some one's day by just giving them an extra helping hand."

Senior Jolie Ngo



"NHS makes me feel good about myself. Knowing that I'm helping the community and the people in it, it just makes you feel good."

Sophomore Rachel Rademacher



"NHS is an opportunity to make the community better."

Sophomore Kristen Dkyma



## Above & beyond

by Trina Rawlinson

In order to get into a good college some students go out of there way to succeed. National Honor Society is an organization to help people in the community and to make the community a better place. The people in NHS had to complete many community service hours just to stay in the club. This community service included teacher assistant, helping the elderly, and tutoring. Their ultimate goal was twenty hours throughout the school year.

Students in NHS are hardworking and thrived to achieve their goals, some of these goals included helping out the community and positively representing Holt High School. "NHS helps benefit the community in many different ways," said sophomore Whitney Orth. This year NHS sponsored the dodge ball tournament and a blood drive. The dodge ball tournament helped raise money for NHS and they the blood drive helped people who needed blood in the community. NHS helped out in many ways both in the community and at the high school.

"NHS helps benefit the community."

- Sophomore Whitney Orth



Paying close attention while at a meeting junior **Jeff Twomely** listens to the advisor for up coming events. "NHS is a really great opportunity to help the community out and make it a better place," said Twomely. *Courtesy photo*







**Working hard to help the community** out senior **Michelle Adams** completes community service, to reach her goal of 20 hours. "I love to do community service. Everyone should give back to their community," said Adams. *Courtesy photo*

**Listening carefully for upcoming events** sophomore **Kaitlyn Sundstrom** figures out what she needs to fulfill her community service. "The meetings are a good way to figure out how to get the community service hours that I need because sometimes it is hard to find places to do community service," said Sundstrom. *Courtesy photo*



**Tutoring her neighbors** Senior **Ashley Perales** helps high school students who need extra help with homework. "Every Monday night I help Richie with his English and reading. It's a great way to get to know new people while at the same time volunteering," said Perales. Perales has been a part of NHS since her junior year and plans to continue volunteering in college.

*Courtesy photo*



## Stats and numbers

by Trina Rawlinson

**100** - Members in NHS

**20** - Required community service hours

**20** - Number of hours required to get in

**7** - Officers

## An inside view

by Trina Rawlinson



Being in NHS has helped me become more aware of what goes on in the community. I met new people and did some really cool activities.

I'm glad that I'm in NHS, even though it can be hard at times, I know in the end it will all be worth it.

Junior Jill Zelenski

## Tips for NHS

by Trina Rawlinson

- Get good grades - at least a 3.25 GPA.
- Do community service. You need 20 hours just to get in.
- Write an essay about why you want to join NHS.
- Make sure to meet all deadlines.
- Be nice to your teachers, you will need teacher recommendations.
- Stay very organized.
- Have a good attitude.
- Attend the meetings during activity periods.

- Come up with an idea



## PALS purpose

by Kacie Dittenber

- Help current and new students feel welcomed and accepted.
- Provide students peer mediations.
- Promote awareness of social concerns.
- Be leaders among the student body and promote kindness and respect to all.

## The Asset Team

by Kacie Dittenber



The Asset Team was created this year for those students that wanted to be a part of PALS but could not attend the training sessions during

the summer. The Asset Team works along side the PALS to help out the school. "Asset Team tries to make the school a better place. Each month we try and promote a different asset," said senior Alaina Hamlin. During the month of December the Asset Team put together a drive for personal hygiene that would go to low-income families.

## What's to count?

by Kacie Dittenber

8 - PALS

2 - Advisors

3 - Days spent training in the summer

6 - Hours per training session

8 - Activities sponsored by PALS

"We made the red ribbons to pass out to people so they could wear them and show that they support drug and alcohol awareness month," said senior PAL **Kacie Dittenber**. Along with making red ribbons the PALS also put on a week dedicated to Random Acts of Kindness. Through out this week the PALS present things like warm fuzzies to students that they see doing a good deed. The whole idea was to support kindness. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*

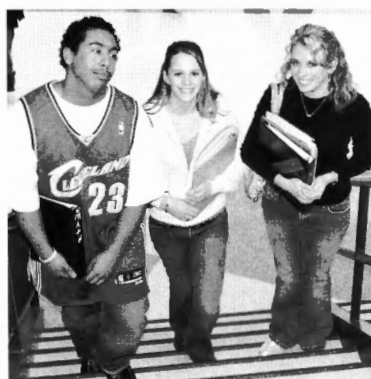
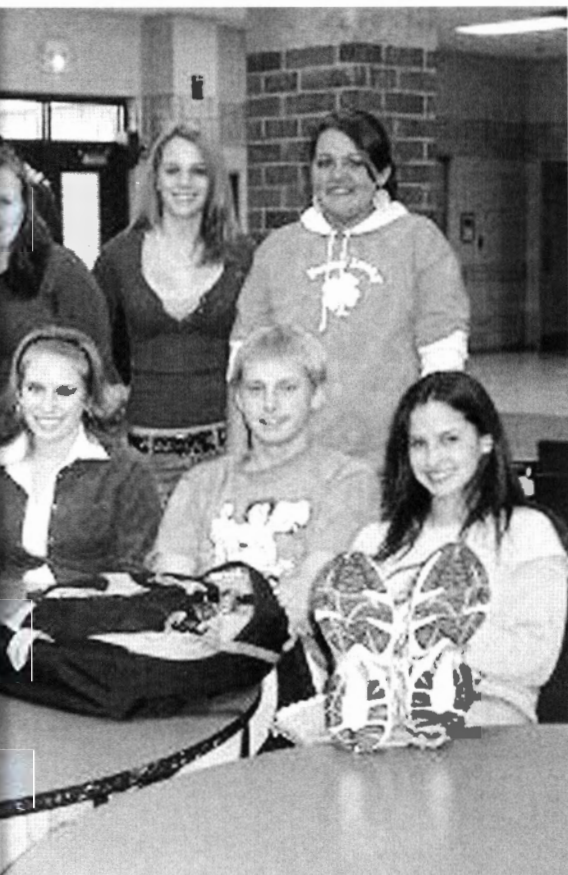
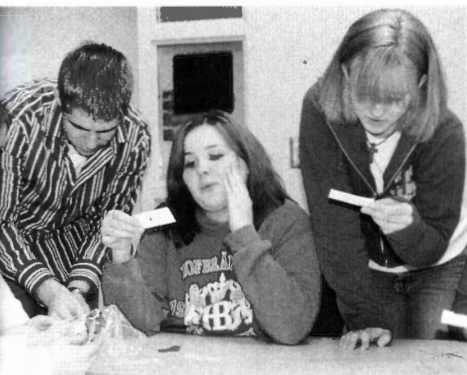


**Standing in the Williamston High School cafeteria along with their PAL for the day, senior PAL members: Kayla Burns, Aubree Rogers, Kacie Dittenber, Sam Fenby, Megan VanEvery, Kristin Oberst, Andrew Quebbeman and junior Staci Sparks pose for a photo.** Every year the PALS participate in an exchange day where they go to a different High School and follow around another PAL to get a taste of what their High School is like. *Courtesy Photo*

**Red Ribbons remind students that the month of October is alcohol awareness month. Seniors Kristin Oberst and Aubree Rogers pin a slip of paper to a red ribbon stating, "Please help the PAL's support drug and alcohol awareness by wearing this red ribbon this week."** *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*







Showing new student junior **Tony Scott**, PALS senior **Kristin Oberst** and junior **Staci Sparks** give a tour. When PALS were not leading peer mediations one of their other responsibilities was helping new students find their classes and making sure they felt welcome. *Photo by Kacie Dittenber*

## Why did you join?

by Kacie Dittenber & Danielle Graham



"We went to go see PALS one day and I thought it would be cool to become one. Plus I think it is important to help people."

Senior **Kristin Oberst**



"I joined PALS because my friends said that I was a good listener and I like to help people."

Senior **Aubree Rogers**



"Two teachers of mine thought I would be a good PAL, and once I found out what PALS were I thought it was really cool and something I wanted to be a part of."

Junior **Staci Sparks**

## Doing what they can

by Kacie Dittenber & Danielle Graham

Not being able to give advice, but being able to talk you through your problems is a part of being a PAL. A summer program teaches these select students how to approach other students' problems, showing them the pros and cons of the decisions they could possibly make. Trying to make everyone feel comfortable in the school, PAL's give tours to all the new students.

"Every year we come in a few days before school starts and give tours to incoming Sophomores," said senior **Megan VanEvery**, "As the year goes on we take all the new students to their classes and introduce them to their teachers."

PALS also have a PAL exchange day, where for one day all the PALS go to a different High School this year it was to Williamston High School, and one day the Williamston PALS came to Holt.

"PAL exchange was a lot of fun and it gave a lot of insight on different schools. My favorite part was meeting new people," said senior **Andrew Quebbeman**.

PALS also sponsor events such as drug and alcohol awareness month and random acts of kindness week.

"Helping is what we do."

- Senior **Aubree Rogers**



# Prom fund raising

by Heather Ungerman

As you walked into the high school for prom, you could not even recognize that it was in fact the high school. That is because the Prom Planning Committee worked so hard all year long on prom planning such as the theme, decorations, favors, music and hors d'oeuvres.

One way that the committee raised money for prom was through fashion show ticket sales. This year the committee made a goal to sell 100 tickets to the fashion show to help supply sufficient funds for prom decorations.

The fashion show showcased the new trends for the upcoming prom season while raising money for the dance. The models participated in nine practices before the final show.

Pierre's Bridal Shop provided each girl with two dresses and After Hours formal wear provided each guy with a tux with two vests with two matching bow ties. Full Throttle motor sports supplied the customized motorcycle that was used during the show and Sound Express supplied the lighting effects.

Each couple gets to strike a pose at the end of the catwalk together while modeling their dress and tux. Senior **Markeese Booker** twirls senior **Allison Vanderberg** as they display their prom attire in front of the audience. "The best part was being in the dresses and being with friends," said Vanderberg. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*



## Students strut their stuff

### Fashion show reactions

by Heather Ungerman



"The best part about the prom fashion show was getting ready with the girls."

Senior Kadie Hein



"Walking out and getting a full adrenaline rush was the best part of the show."

Junior Courtney Noack



"The best thing about the fashion show was walking out in front of everyone."

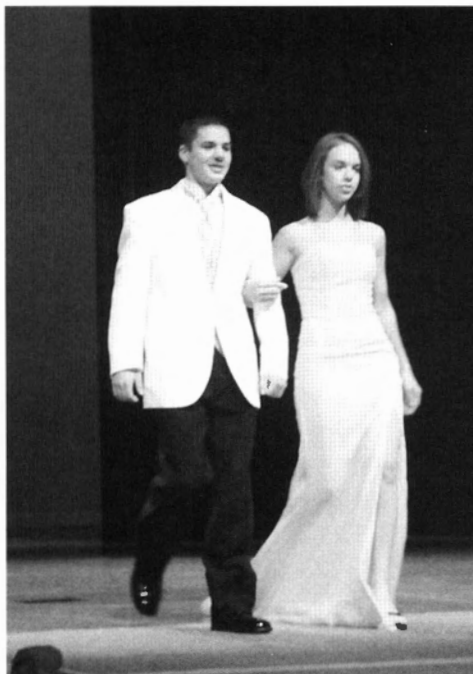
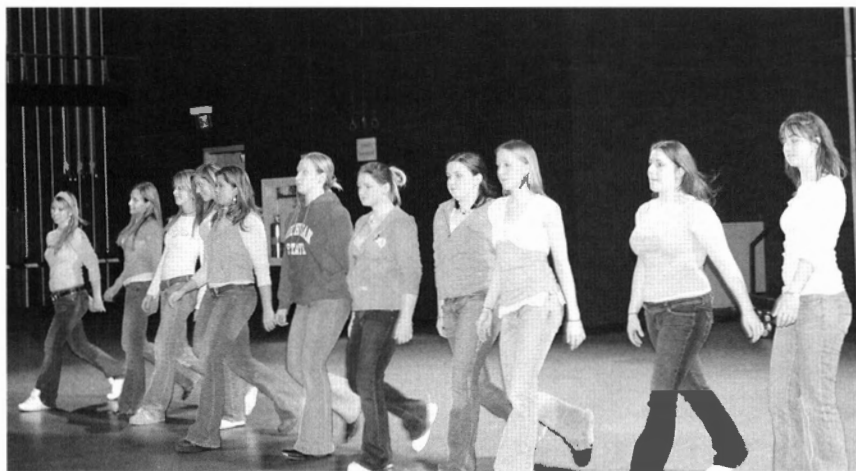
Junior Brittney Andring

### Prom facts

by Heather Ungerman

- 664 - Tickets sold
- 10 - Hours of prep
- 25 - Cost of prom ticket
- 10 - People on committee
- 35 - Quarts of strawberries used





**Practice makes perfect.** First time runway models practice walking and getting used to the stage lights. The models had several practices especially during the week of the fashion show to get everything just right. "I'm looking forward to seeing everyone's dresses and the finale of the show," said senior **Clarise Strahan**. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*

**Showcasing the latest prom fashion** senior **John Magruder** escorts junior **Becha Rich** down the catwalk. The catwalk took two tech students four hours taking measurements and theatre manager **Jeff Miller** fifteen hours to construct. "It was a challenge, we had to put bracing and structure in just the right spots to have a model runways that is safe and effective," said Miller. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*

## Cat walking with Jen Fisher

by Heather Ungerman



Strutting her stuff down the cat walk senior Jen Fisher shows the complete process the fashion show went through from the first meeting to the grand finale. First time models walked on the stage for the first time during the prom fashion show. A good piece of advice for people looking to participate in the fashion show next year from Fisher is "you need to learn how to walk in heels." *Photos by Heather Ungerman*



## Counting the year

by Sandra McCormick

29 - Total members

2 - Dances a year

28 - Average number of meetings

2,000 - Money given to charities

1 - Million pieces of confetti

## Student body President

by Sara Bullion



Senior Andrew Quebbeman is the student body president this year. Being President of the whole student body comes with enormous responsibility. The hardest thing is, "having attitude where others still respect and listen to me as well as contribute," said Quebbeman.

Junior Abby Rarick counts out ballots for Winterfest Court. Fanny De-jongh and Doung Nguyen where the king and queen this year. "We always have a good time," said Rarick about her time in student council. Photo by Sandra McCormick

Student Council Members set up for the Winterfest Dance. There were many students in attendance at the dance. Juniors Bridgett Griffis and Ashley Killips cut out blue stars from poster board while senior Markeesse Booker draws stars which were combined with confetti on tables the stars made good center pieces. Photo by Sandra McCormick



On Saturday, January 14, 2006 members of Student Council came in on their day off to work on festivities for the week of Winterfest January 23 - 28, 2006. Senior Nathan Quebbeman makes copies of a flyer for Winterfest's spirit week. Some of the days included Hollywood day, PJ Day, and Hero day. Spirit week was a major part of Winterfest. Photo by Sandra McCormick

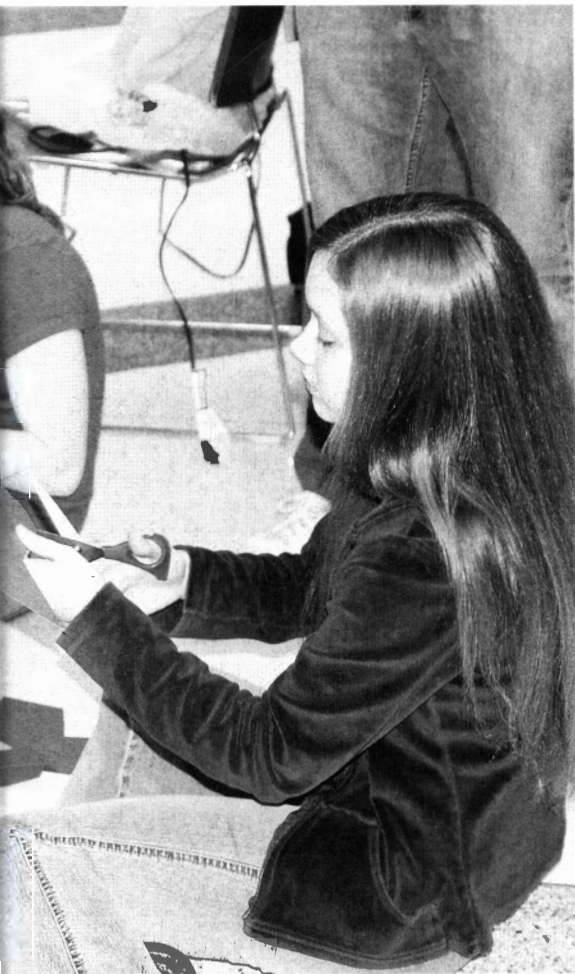




## Lessons learned

by Sandra McCormick

- Don't procrastinate.
- Delegate jobs, don't try to take it all on by your self.
- Participate, and encourage others too as well.
- Try not to get too stressed.



For every event Student Council puts on they make signs to hang in the commons. This year Sophomores **Stephanie Self** and **Jill Zelenski** work on making the sign announcing the Dance for Winterfest; the theme this year was A Starry Night. *Photo by Sandra McCormick*

## Student Council

by Sandra McCormick

Twenty-eight. That's the number of members student council had; it was the responsibility of those students to represent the ideas of the whole student body of 1,387. The commitment these students had to their fellow students was genuine.

"I like being able to help," said senior Matt Darling. It is a yearning to affect change for the students that drove them, they respected others ideas and helped others when they were in need. Members of student council were driven to help others, to listen to them and be leaders of the school.

"We are a big family," said sophomore Jill Zelenski. The involvement that students learned taught them great lessons for later on.

"Procrastinating is a bad thing, you have to learn to delegate and inspire other students to participate," said student body Vice President junior Bridgette Griffiths. The lessons learned from being a member are ones students will use for many years. It was character that made these students so great and the best representatives of the student body.

## A family all its own

## Student Council members

by Sandra McCormick

Student Body President - Andrew Quebbeman

Student Body Vice President - Bridgette Griffiths

Student Body Secretary - Erin Conley

Senior Class President - Sandra McCormick

Senior Class Vice President - Markeese Booker

Junior Class President - Alex Freeman

Junior Class Vice President - Alex Allegretto

Sophomore Class President - Mitchell Zajac

Seniors - Matt Darling, Missy Darling, Justine Kozlina, Stacy Stanley.

Juniors - Jena Allen, Mollie Ballmer, Courtney Cole, Ashely Killips, Enjoli Marks, Christina McPike, Abbey Rarick.

Sophomores - Krissy Barros, Kelly Hamelin, Nick Krish, Alexis Louth, Whitney Orth, Marissa Perry, Nathan Quebbeman, Anni Rao, Stephanie Self, Jill Zelenski.



# SPORTS



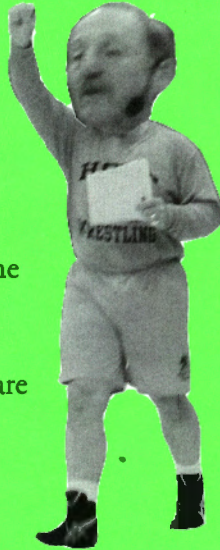






"Get organized! You only have four years to participate in sport activities. Very few people continue beyond high school. Then, get involved. The fun is in the memories and there are no memories unless you are involved."

**- COACH SHAFT**



"My players know my priorities: faith, family, school, and then whatever comes next is up to the individual. They are always allowed to put classes before practice."

**- COACH LARNER**



"Study each subject/course/class for 10-15 minutes per night, even when no homework is assigned. Review, review, review, just like sports....practice, practice, practice."

**- COACH FOY**



"Time management and being organized are the biggest things, along with having your priorities straight. Have a good support system such as friends, family, and faith. You need to have good communication with your teachers about missing school or leaving early for your sport."

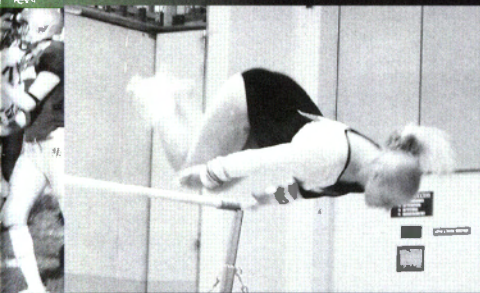
**- COACH REICHARD**



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# How do students **HANDLE** school and sports?

by Danielle Graham, Kacie Dittenber & Brooke Darling

"It is hard to manage school and playing sports at the same time. You have a lot of responsibility with getting good grades in school and doing your homework every night. After you have been in sports you know what you have to

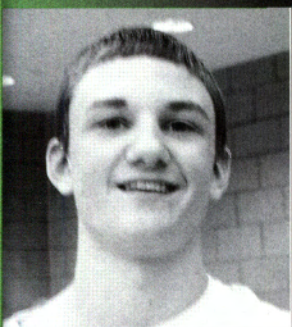
**SACRIFICE** and that you will have to work extra hard on school work and if you miss school for a meet, check on missed work the day before or the next day."  
- Senior **AMY KRUCH**



"I try to manage my time by being responsible and having my priorities straight. In order to be successful I have to decide what is most important to me at that time even if that means **SPENDING**

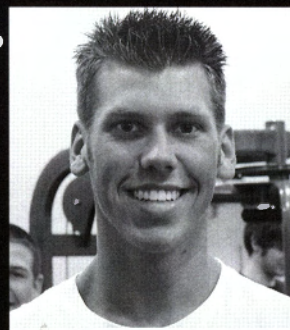
**LESS TIME WITH MY FRIENDS**. To play your sport you have to keep up your grades in school, and practice hard."

- Junior **JAKE PHILO**



"It's actually pretty difficult to manage school and sports, what with sports practices everyday, plus **WHOLE BUNCH OF HOMEWORK**. It leaves no time to just hang out and have fun. I try to do as much of my homework at school so I don't have to worry about it afterwards, but sometimes with projects and stuff, there's just too much."

- Junior **CHAD FOX**



"It is hard playing sports and managing school at the same time. You go to school for most of the day and then go to your practice for two hours and then go home, and have to do your homework. **YOU GET STRESSED** some-times when you have so little time to do your homework."

- Senior **NICOLE STEVENS**





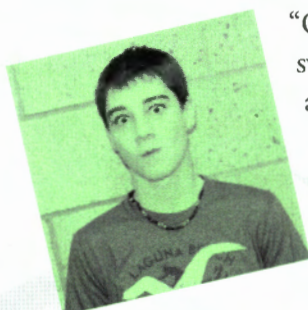
# Have you even been in a game and done something that was really EMBARRASSING?

by Kevin Judy & Danielle Graham



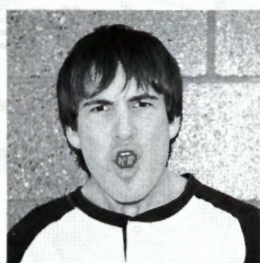
"During our meet vs. East Lansing, a girl hit a lob really far back and I went to get the ball. **I HIT THE FENCE INSTEAD** and sprained my ankle. Then Sarah Harris imitated me in slow motion and ended up falling on the ground and bruising her hip." - Senior **BECKY POLZIN**

"After scoring a touch down in the Bay City game, Tyler Reed jumped at a Bay City defender in celebration, but the defender hit Reed and **KNOCKED HIM ON THE GROUND** instead. Coach Rarick found it on film, so Reed had to live it down for the rest of the season." - Senior **JIM HALL**



"One time in a game, Justin Danford made a sweet move around the defender and made a wild shot, that was very off the net but **IT HIT RICKY BROWN'S HELMET** and deflected into the net for a goal." - Junior **CRAIG WIEFERICH**

When I was serving the ball my feet got caught under me, and because you lean forward when you serve, **I FELL FLAT ON MY FACE** and didn't have time to put my hands out in front of me." - Senior **LAURA MASTIN**



"One time before practice, Kirk Trentham and Colin Johnson were **FIGHTING OUTSIDE THE LOCKER ROOM** in front of Robbie Schiller's mom, and Kirk was just wearing his jock strap." - Senior **PAUL LOUNSBERRY**







When the football team came together, they achieved the

# PERFECT

by Josh Munyon & Jessica Hayes

season with a record of 9-0.

Starting off strong with a 42-21 win over Charlotte, the Holt varsity team played Lapeer East. Holt won that game as well as every other game that they played in the regulation season. They defeated the Everett Vikings, but the Rams were concentrating on the Sexton Big Reds.

"Before the game Coach Smith and I were talking," said senior Jake Moreno, "I said how everyone was saying how the Sexton vs Holt would be our biggest game. Coach Smith just looked at me and said 'do you think that they'll be mad when we blow them out?'" And so they did, with a 50-7 win.

The next game that the team really looked to was Holt's biggest rival, Grand Ledge. After a bad first half and being behind for the first time in the season, Holt came back and won. The football team defeated the Grand Ledge Comets 24-14 and won the CAAC championship outright for the second consecutive year.

"I felt like I was going to jump out of my uniform it was so awesome, the feeling was indescribable," said junior Jeff Terrell.



At the Eastern vs. Holt game senior **Stephen Johnson** blocks one of Eastern's players. "I play football because it's something that keeps me active and I really enjoy playing the sport. The team depends on me but it's not a lot of pressure that's put on me before the games," said Johnson. *Photo by Meagan Woodworth*

**Disappointed senior John Lierman** takes a break at the Grand Ledge vs. Holt game. "I think we had a good season by winning the league but I didn't expect for it to end the way it did," said Lierman. Most of the players experienced some type of disappointment through out the game. "I was mad, sad, the whole nine yards," said Lierman. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*



## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Charlotte	42-21	Jackson	42-6
Lapeer East	41-28	Eastern	35-0
Everett	42-7	Grand Ledge	24-14
East Lansing	47-14	<b>PLAYOFFS</b>	
Sexton	50-7	Bay City Central	38-13
Okemos	20-0	Grand Ledge	7-31

Overall Record: W: 9; L: 0; T: 0

Undefeated 2005 CAAC Champions





## Coach's Corner

by Jessica Hayes

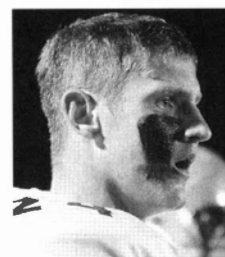
"The good thing about our team was that everyone got along; when things went wrong they would help each other get through. We had great team work, which lead us to our Division Championship."



Coach Mike Smith

## Toughest Moments

by Meagan Woodworth & Jessica Hayes



"In the Eastern vs. Holt game I was really tired because I had a long run, and it did not even count because a penalty was called. My toughest moment was walking off the field at the Grand Ledge game."

Senior Josh Trexler



"My toughest moment was at the last Grand Ledge game in the fourth quarter, when they had made their last interception. The whole team came to realize that our perfect season was over."

Senior Reggie Hartig



Running past a Grand Ledge opponent, senior **Tyler Reed** scores a touchdown. Unfortunately, the score didn't count because of an out of bounds call. "I was mad because it could of changed the turn out of the game. It was a momentum buster, and it put the game back into Grand Ledge's hands," said Reed.

Photo by Jessica Hayes

Ripping the banner in half, the Rams dart with excitement for the upcoming game. "When I run through the banner it's an adrenaline rush that gets us pumped up before the game," said senior **Corey Burt**. Many of the guys on the team experience this same rush. "Football is one of the best sports because of all of the contact and big hits. It's really the only sport you can knock someone out and not get in trouble for doing it," said junior **Donald Norton**.

Photo by Jessica Hayes



It's all about the fans and the team and getting them as

# PEPPED

by Justine Kozlina

up as possible.

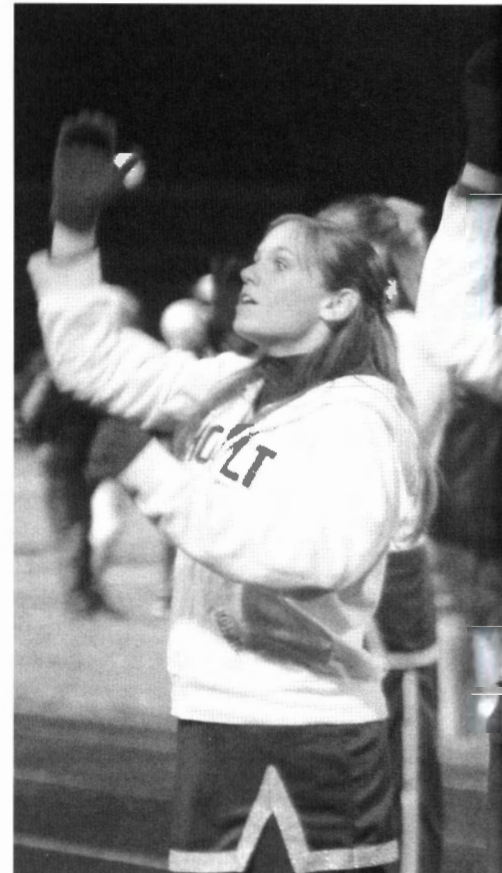
From the football field to the Basketball court, the duo of the cheer team and pom squad is always on their toes pumping up the crowd. "With all the energy they put in, I know they care about the team and the crowd," said senior Brandon Currin.

The cheerleaders are very dedicated, many of the girls cheered in elementary school. This year the cheer team gave up their competitive side to be there for every basketball game and football game. "It's too bad because our team is amazing this year. We would have been the best," said senior Haley Hellem. Cheering involves much more than yelling to the crowd. There is also stunting, dancing, and smiling.

Not on the sideline but on the court is the pom squad. Pom squad performed at JV and Freshman basketball and football games at half time. The main performances for the squad were at the homecoming and Winterfest pep assemblies. Despite some team conflicts, they always pulled together for a great performance. "Sometimes we argue but in the end we pull together." said junior Jessica Foster.



Showing off their spirit fingers, the Holt cheerleaders gesture for a little luck as a basketball player shoots a free throw. "During football season it's more relaxed and we can cheer and stunt anytime but for basketball we can only stunt during time-outs," said senior **Allison Vandenberg**. Photo by Sara Bullion

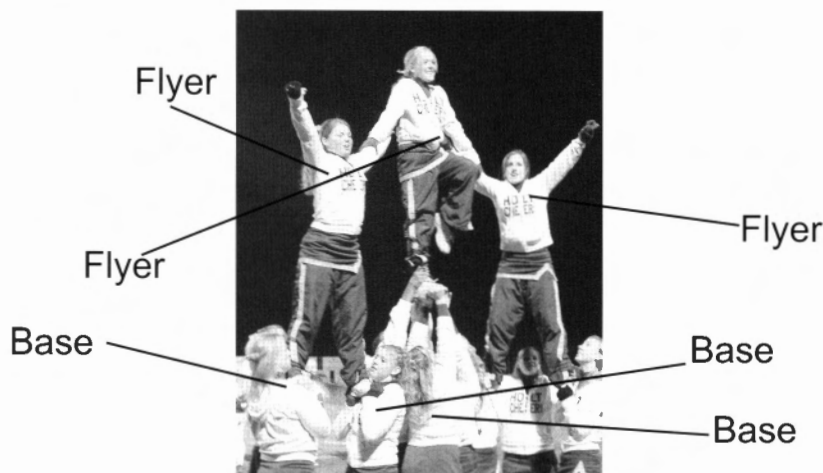


## Learn about cheerleading

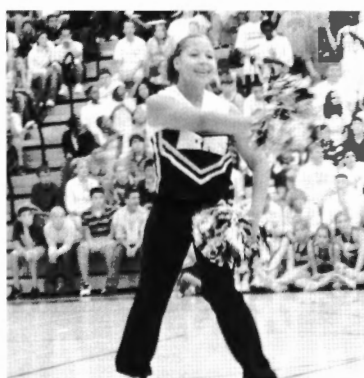
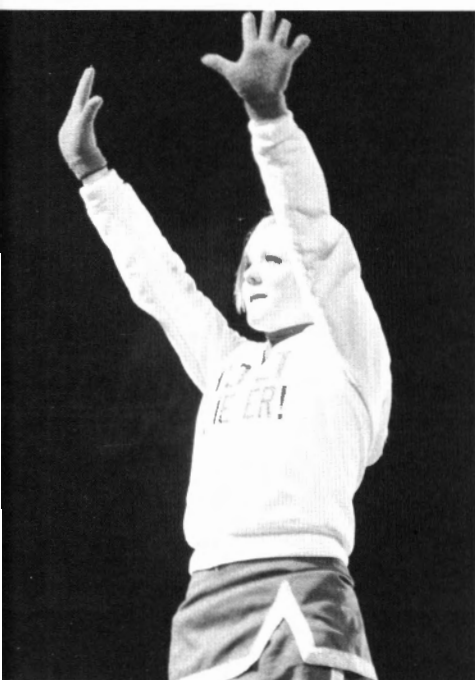
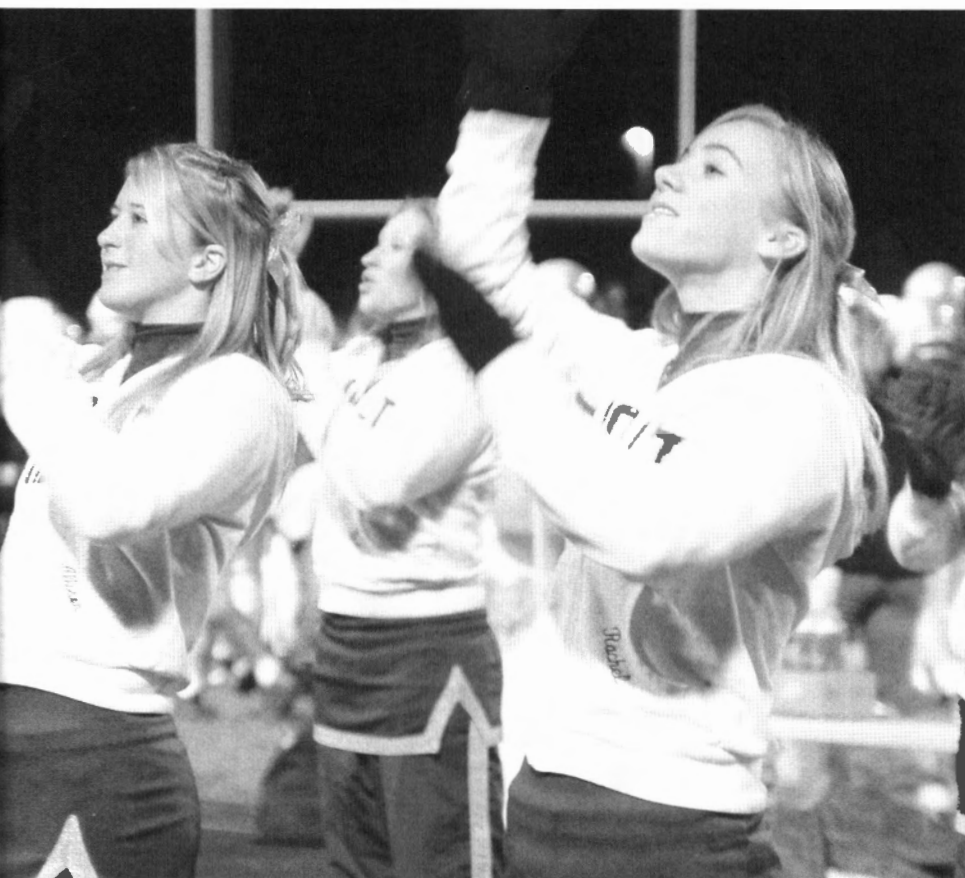
by Justine Kozlina

Cheering loud and cheering proud during football season is junior **Michelle McGuire**, seniors **Allison Vandenberg**, and **Rachel Major**. Like any sport, cheering requires dedication and skill. "Towards the end of the season it gets really cold and so we do more cheers to keep warm," said junior **Alyse Siedelberg**. Photo by Stephanie Mathers

Flying high at a home football game, junior **Brittany Watson** shows off her stunting abilities. "My favorite part about cheering is stunting, otherwise I wouldn't do it," said Watson. Watson was not the only one who loves stunting. "I love stunting and learning new stunts," said sophomore **Courtney Wood**. Photo by Stephanie Mathers







**Performing at the pep assembly in front of the whole school is sophomore Angelica Brown.** Being a young performer Brown said, "sometimes when we perform I get nervous before we go out and dance but once I'm out there I have fun." Photo by Kacie Dittenber

## Poms lingo

by Justine Kozlina

**Pom Poms:** The big fluffy things the team uses while dancing.

**Pose:** A part in the routine where the team or specific girl makes a specific movement ending in a pause.

**Kick line:** When the squad gets in a line, puts their arms around each other and kicks high then kicks low.

## About cheering

by Justine Kozlina



"This year on the team we had a lot of teamwork, the team formed new and closer bonds. We are all friends on the team. It started out a little shaky but we came together in the end "

Sophomore Pauline Bateman



"I love stunting but I also love cheering to the crowd. It's fun when the fans respond and cheer back, but if they don't I just feel stupid."

Senior Richelle Brown



Holt's cross country team  
continues to become

# UNITED

by Kelly Hamelin &  
Trina Rawlinson

through rigorous conditions

"Our sport is your punishment" is a phrase commonly heard from the Holt Cross Country team. Practices normally consisted of constant running that continued for several hours. Besides just running laps around the school, the team made it interesting by running at local parks.

The entire team was very successful and ended up placing sixth for boys and fifth for girls overall in the CAAC tournament.

"We lost a lot of seniors from last year on both the guys and girls team but that did not change the fact that everyone gave it their all when they needed to do so to help the team have a successful season," said Junior Frankie Quazerano.

Cross Country took place in the fall. Even when the season ended, the team enjoyed spending time together. "The best part of cross country would have to be the bonds that develop with your teammates. We spend so much time together, that it just happens. You go out there looking to run, but so many friendships come out from it too," said Quazerano.



Nearly out of breath junior Brigette Griffiths runs to the finish line.

Griffiths, along with the other students on the cross country team agreed that everyone really bonded throughout the season. "Cross country is the most family-like team there is. We're always spending time together outside of practice, and we have a lot of parties," said Griffiths. Photo by Trina Rawlinson

## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Cougar 2 mile Invite	3rd place	Cougar 2 mile Invite	1st place
Western Invite	2nd place	Western Invite	3rd place
CAAC Meet	6th place	Lakeview Invite	1st place
Waverly JK Invite	5th place	CAAC Meet	5th place
Bath Invite	8th place	Waverly JV Invite	2nd place

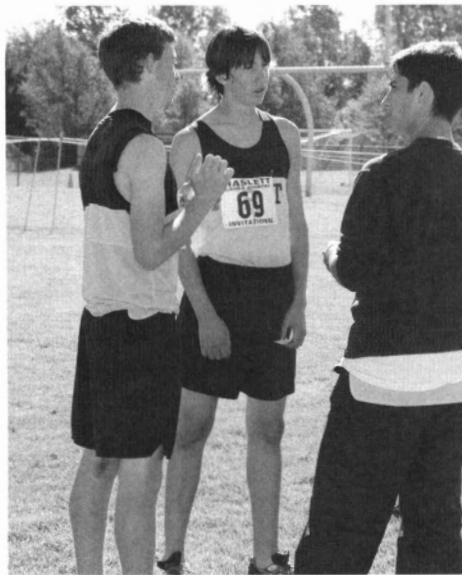
State Qualifiers: Seniors Drew Wilson and Missy Darling





**Racing to the finish line at the Haslett invite, senior Missy Darling** pushes herself with her last bit of energy. "It takes a lot of dedication to be part of the team, and it's really physically demanding. The best part of the season were all of the team parties, but the most memorable moment was when I beat the school record," said Darling. *Courtesy Photo*

**Congratulating each other on a job well done, junior Frankie Quaserano, senior Drew Wilson, and sophomore Mark Tongen,** talk after their event. "Getting the chance to meet new people has been sweet. I made a ton of new friends through the team," said Tongen. *Photo by Trina Rawlinson*



**Racing to the finish line, senior Andrew Sharrah** beats the competition in the Dewitt Invitational. "When I'm running a race I like to think about random things and not just about finishing, it makes time go by faster," said Sharrah. *Photo by Trina Rawlinson*

## An inside view: Coach Foy

by Trina Rawlinson & Kelly Hamelin



"The season was very successful. A lot changed because this year I started coaching

the boys, and both the boys and girls team worked out and did everything together. "

## Tips for running the race

by Kelly Hamelin

- Running on the weekends and night time even when there isn't practice is the main key to keep in shape and stay on top.
- Start off the run slowly and picking up speed in the last 200 meters
- Keeping your arms low while running is a good way to conserve energy.
- When approaching a hill don't slow down at all, even while running up it.





# Medical lingo

by Brooke Darling

**Dorsiflexion:** Flexing at a 90 degree angle back toward your body.

**Planterflexion:** Pointing your toes.

**Zygomaticus:** Cheek muscles.

**Adduction:** Any body part being brought inward toward the center of the body.

**Abduction:** Any body part being moved away from the body.

**Anterior Talofibular Ligament:** The most sprained ligament in the body; located in the ankle.

## Trainers in training

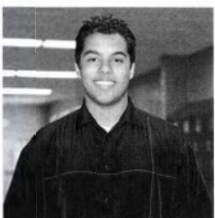
by Brooke Darling



I wanted to be a trainer because I've always been interested in the medical field and

I can't play sports but I like to watch them. So it goes hand in hand.

Junior Rachel Gladstone



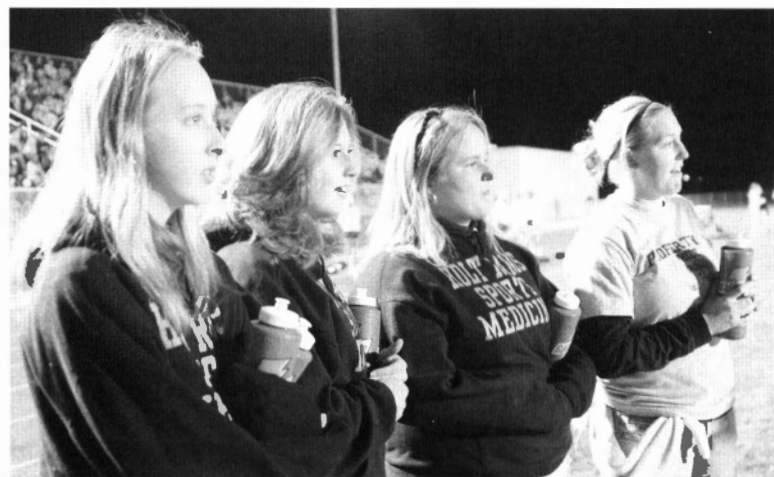
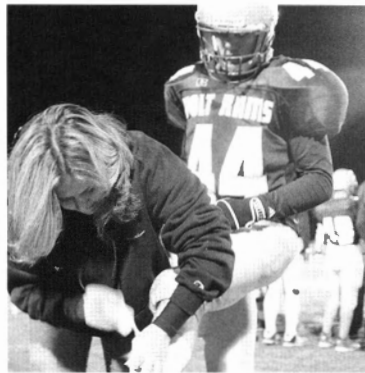
I am interested in becoming a paramedic so being a trainer will help give me a foot in the door and hands on experience.

I also really enjoy being able to be a trainer; it is a lot of fun.

Sophomore Tyler Vickers

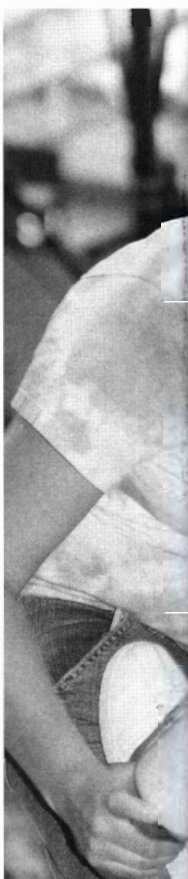
"Training is the career I want to pursue," said senior trainer **Michelle Adams**. After being a trainer for three years, Adams has improved her taping skills, which she demonstrates as she tapes a student athlete's wrist before practice. The thing she enjoyed most about being a trainer was all the people she got was able to meet and talk to. "I still struggle with terminology though," said Adams. This has been a great opportunity for her future. *Photo by Brooke Darling*

"The best thing about being a trainer is hanging out with the other trainers and Steve," said senior trainer **Michelle Adams**. During the Rams' football season the trainers helped take care of the team and Adams helps by taping an ankle during the football game. The trainers were a big aspect to the care of athletes. *Photo by Meagan Woodworth*

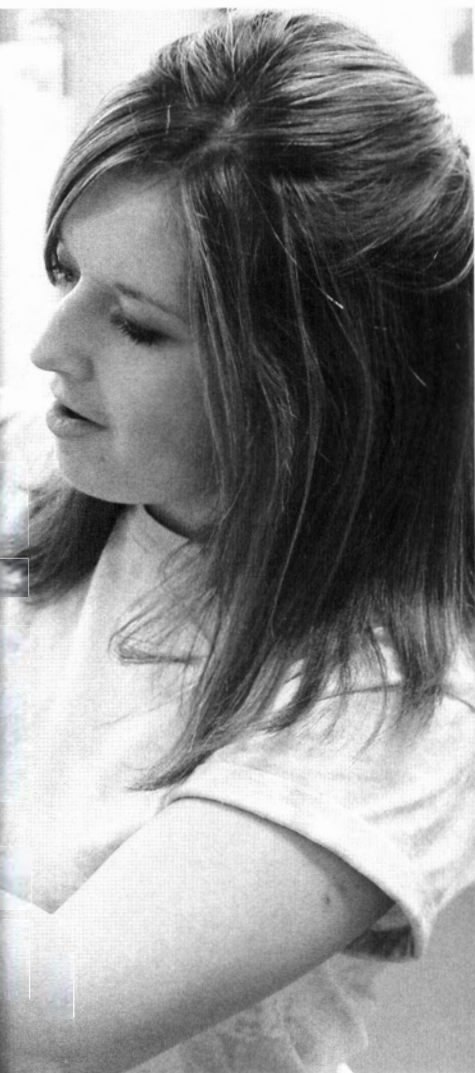


**Anticipation is in the eyes of seniors Casey Perry, Michelle Adams, Amber Barr, and Amy Shinkel** as they look on during a football game for the Ram's season. "I enjoyed working football the most. It was fun working with all the other trainers and the different sports teams," said Perry. *Photo by Meagan Woodworth*

"Being a trainer is a good thing because you learn a lot of great skills; even if you aren't going into that profession." With three years of experience, senior trainer **Amy Shinkel** ices a basketball player after practice this fall. "I enjoyed working football the best because there was never a dull moment and always something to do," said Shinkel. *Photo by Lauren Siebert*







## Preparing

by Brooke Darling

- Talk with Steve Pinkston, if interested.
- Go to camp over the summer to learn and get experience.
- Be in the training room for first hand experience.

## Teaching for the future

by Brooke Darling



"This year there are so many good student trainers; it's not always like that," said Steve Pinkston.

Trained in emergency medicine, he helped students get experience for future jobs. "They volunteer and get out of it what they want; it's a unique opportunity," stated Pinkston.

Athletes agree, with all the stress being put on their bodies, they need a

# PATIENT

by Brooke Darling

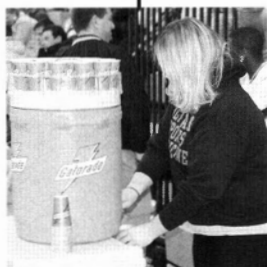
trainer to take care of them so they can contribute the most during the season.

School sports have become very popular as the talent has risen, audiences have grown, and practices have become more intense. With all the stress being put onto the bodies of high school athletes, sports medicine trainers have become a key asset to teams.

This year there were a number of student trainers who all volunteered their time. This was used as an opportunity to receive hands on experience in medicine and as a way to get experience for future jobs in the medical field.

"They are interested in being paramedics, nurses, coaches, or other jobs in the medical field," said trainer Steve Pinkston. All of the student trainers were very involved in helping out student athletes and are very eager, which made learning the trade much easier.

This program also allowed all the trainers to be trained in emergency medicine, not just in physical therapy. These opportunities helped prepare the students for their futures.





## Water polo words to know

by Kelly Hamelin

**Drop:** When a player is guarding two players from the opposite team at once.

**Hole:** When a player is surrounded by other players. These are the ones who score.

**Umbrella:** The way a player sets up in front of the goal.

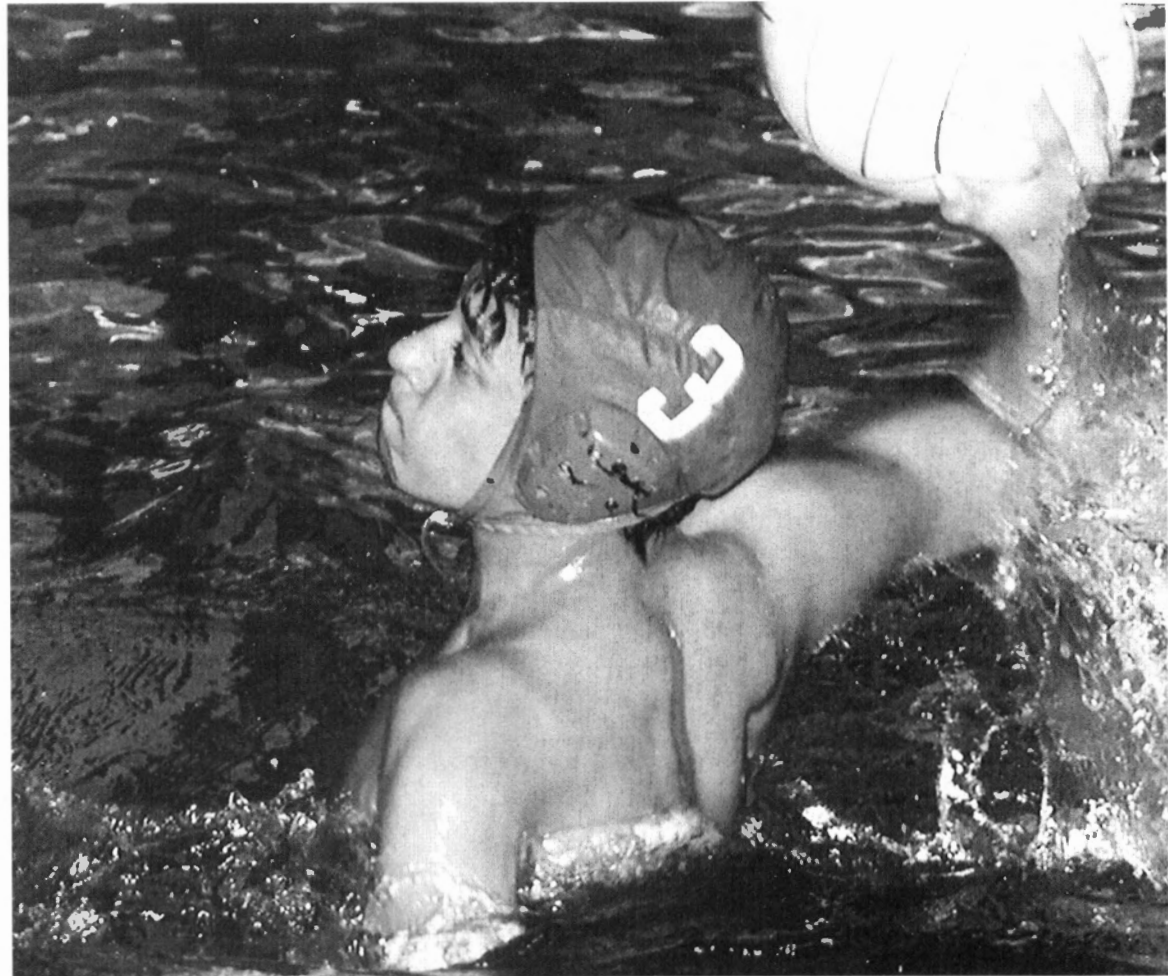
## The best moment

by Kelly Hamelin

"Our biggest win this year would have to be against Mason. They're our biggest rivals and in 2004 they beat us, but this year we creamed them. It was definitely the best game ever, it was aggressive, and exciting."

Senior Lindsey Howley

**Waiting for a water polo match** senior **Tiffany Ziolkowski**, junior **Cassandra Meier**, senior **Ruthie Wismiller**, and 2004 graduate **Rachel Abbott** take a break on the bench. Abbott and 2004 graduate Katie Lash were the captains of the team, and helped the underclassmen succeed in their first year of the game. *Courtesy Photo*



**Racing towards the goal** sophomore **Danton Thon** gets ready to score. This was Thon's second year on the water polo team. "I really like how all of us can just joke around and have fun with each other. It's not really a sport, just a time to be able to hang out with your friends," said Thon. *Courtesy Photo*







Looking for an open teammate to pass the ball to, sophomore **Nate Robinson** prepares to throw. Robinson was one of the three captains on the team. "I joined because I thought it looked fun, then I ended up not being too shabby at it. Games are definitely the best part of water polo," said Robinson. *Courtesy Photo*



Strategizing for the game junior **Victoria Flores** talks with other members of the girls water polo team and one of the two coaches. "Coach Tom and coach Kyle really helped us out this year. They motivated us to do our best even when our goals seemed impossible," said senior **Ruth Weismiller**. *Courtesy Photo*

Armed with a group of inexperienced but

# DRIVEN

by Kelly Hamelin

players, the water polo team continues to increase in popularity.



Even though this year was only the second year that Holt had a water polo team, both the women's and men's teams were successful. The majority of the players were also part of the swimming and diving team, and just began to play water polo. The women's team was combined with East Lansing High School and called themselves HoltEl.

"I think overall we did really well this year. It was hard at first because a lot of us has never played before," said sophomore Morgan Wilson, "but we got the hang of it eventually. Being combined with East Lansing, we got to bond with girls from another school too."



The men's captains included sophomore Nate Robinson and seniors Kirk Gibbs and Adam Lucas. "We started out the season all playing really well, the team had a lot of talent from guys with a lot of experience. As the season continued we didn't improve as much, but we had taught each other a lot, and really came together as a team," said Lucas.

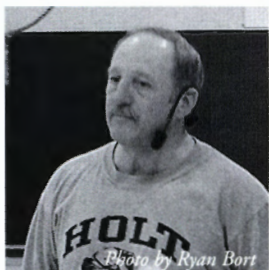
## SEASONS HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Dexter	10-6	Mason	12-4
Saline	14-10	Forest Hills	7-4
Grand Blanc	5-10	Chelsea	15-4
Ann Arbor Pioneer	6-14	Saline	3-7
Okemos	3-15	Portage Northern	14-2
Overall Record: W: 21 L: 6		W: 4; L: 12	



## Why does he coach?

by Danielle Graham



Rocky Shaft has been head wrestling coach for 26 years. "I enjoy working with students that want to be the best at something, and that's not easy. It's so demanding, both physically and mentally. Character development is fun to watch as students start their freshman year to their senior year," said Shaft.

### Holding down his opponent,

sophomore **Mitch Zajac** tries to keep him down for the team. "This year was great because we finally became league champs. Even though we celebrated a little, we always have to keep practicing," said Zajac. With his experience of six years, Zajac brought great talent to the team. *Photo by Jared Buxton*

**Doing a team warm-up before they** go against Grand Ledge the Holt wrestlers get pumped up. "Holt wrestling is more than just a team, it's a family," said senior **Adam Runyon**. This family began in sixth grade. "When one person is hurt, we are all hurt. We pull together to help each other," said senior **Brandon Ghastin**.

*Photo by Danielle Graham*



**Doing his part to make sure that** Holt does their best, senior **Tyler Thelen** attempts to pin a Grand Ledge opponent. "Our main goal was to beat Grand Ledge and recapture the CAAC. Every practice started with a notion that Grand Ledge was practicing at the same time, so we had to work even harder," said Thelen. Thelen added that the upcoming wrestlers are young, experienced, and very talented.

*Photo by Danielle Graham*



## Know your moves

by Danielle Graham & Jared Buxton

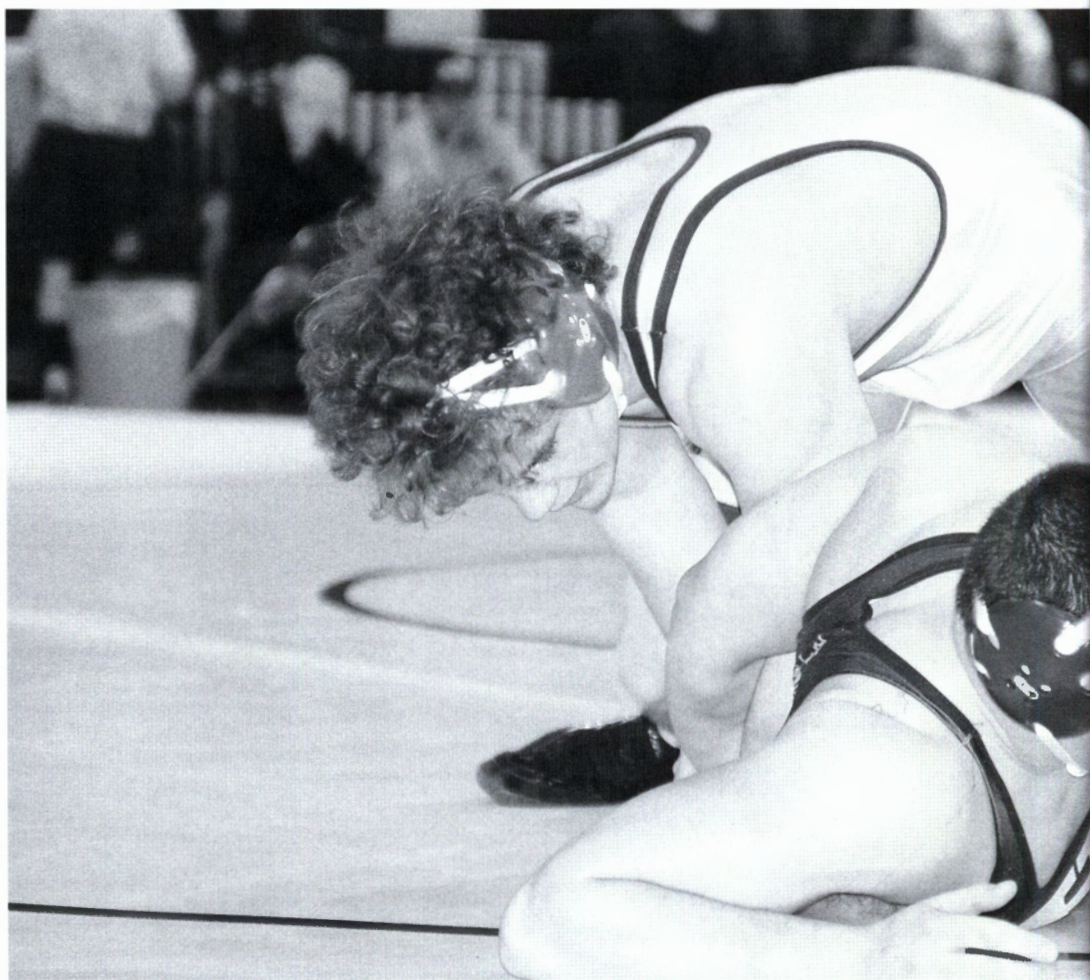
**Take Down:** Get opponent on the mat

**Head and Arm:** Throwing technique

**Half Nelson Cradle:** Pinning hold

**Single Leg:** Take down by one leg

**Double Leg:** Take down by two legs







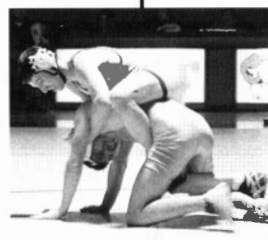
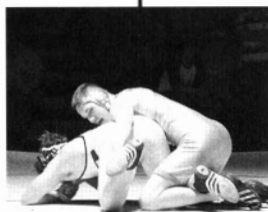
Using his talent against Grand Ledge, senior Srba Rankovic keeps the opponent on the mat. "For the first time in two years we beat Grand Ledge; in front of their own crowd. Now Holt's back on top. I give it my all to anyone that steps on my mat. I get better and better each match," said Rankovic. Rankovic won the match and considered it one of the toughest of the season. Holt won overall against Grand Ledge 39-27. Photo by Danielle Graham

Wrestlers tried to keep their opponents

# TIED-UP

by Danielle Graham  
& Jared Buxton

while they worked their way to the top.



Hit the mats with the Holt legends. Practicing about twelve hours a week and competing at seventeen matches, these wrestlers were determined to win. "The glory of winning inspires me because it's a good feeling after you've trained so hard to make weight," said sophomore Justin Salazar.

Coach Rocky Shaft has been coaching as head coach for twenty-six years. His coaching years paid off, he has coached over 300 dual meet victories.

"I felt proud because it is quite an accomplishment. If any coach deserved it, he did," said senior Kody Hitchcock.

Each team member brought something unique to the team. They all wrestled their own matches, but overall, winning and losing depended on their points added together.

"It's important to work hard to set your physical and mental stamina because it takes more than physical strength to do well," said junior Erik Spenny.

Doing their best and working hard as a team paid off when the wrestlers became league champs and sent seven wrestlers to states.

## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Eastern	58-17	Brother Rice	76-4
Sexton	59-17	Grand Ledge	39-27
Okemos	68-9	Holt Invite	1st of 16
Jackson	70-12	CAAC Tournament	1st of 8
East Lansing	75-6	West Jefferson Invite	1st of 19

Overall Record: W:21; L:1; T:0

State Qualifiers: Dana Maynard, Srba Rankovic, Zach Shaw, Koort Leyrer, Grant Ankney, Justin Salazar, Mitch Zajac.



Players agree team bonding is the key that keeps them playing

# TOUGH

by Sara Bullion & Kaylee Hunt

during practices and games.

With an amazing student section this season, the men's and women's basketball teams had no problem getting plenty of support.

"Having parental support is nice because it makes me feel better just knowing my family is there cheering me on," said junior Chloe Hamilton. In addition to parents, the support of friends and peers was also essential.

"I'm thankful for our student section because being loud gets everyone on the team pumped up and ready to win," said senior John Lierman.

While getting support from friends and family was nice, the coaches played a very important role for the players too.

"Coach Lerner always says, 'It's amazing what can be accomplished when no one cares who gets the credit.' I really like this quote because it helps keep the team together," said senior Edquan Clay.

"Our coach knows a lot about the game and he helped us make it to districts and win," said senior Stacey Stanley.



## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Everett	67-70	Everett	48-54
Sexton	66-64	Sexton	57-54
Williamston	64-35	Okemos	40-35
Okemos	65-60	East Lansing	61-58
Grand Ledge	62-49	Grand Ledge	47-40
Mason	59-35	Mason	40-26
Dewitt	60-36	Eaton Rapids	51-59
Eastern	76-46	Charlotte	54-39
Overall Record W:19; L:1; T:0		Overall Record W:8; L:3; T:0	

Keeping his arms up as high as he can, senior **Tyler Reed** attempts to pass the ball to another teammate. "The key to getting the ball past other players is to be smart and have a quick first step," said Reed. Being his third year on the varsity team, Reed has become even better at offense and defense. "When I need to make a shot I focus, play music in my head, and make sure I keep the rhythm," said Reed. *Photo by Sara Bullion*







**While jumping up for a lay up,** junior **Paul Crosby** concentrates on making sure the ball makes it in. "When I'm shooting I block out everything, breathe, dribble the ball three times, bend my knees, and think of a bunch of hot girls," said Crosby. With his talent and love for the game, Crosby set a new record of 80 blocked shots last season. *Photo by Jessica Hayes*

**Using her offense skills,** junior **Kacy Cryderman** attempts to get the ball past an opposing player. "Practice pressure is hard for me because you're fighting for playing time during the game and you have to give it your all every second," said Cryderman. *Photo by Sara Bullion*



**With her knees and back bent just** the right way, sophomore **Kourtnei Egger** puts a lot of effort into making sure the opposing team doesn't get the ball. "I love our team bonding because we're all so different and during the season we really come together," said Egger. With their great teamwork, the girls defeated Eastern. *Photo by Sara Bullion*



## Timeout tips

by Sara Bullion



"During timeouts we talk about what we're doing well and what we can improve on. They are

always talks of instruction. Sometimes they can become more intense when we're not playing good."

**Coach Bruce Larner**

## Facts from the players

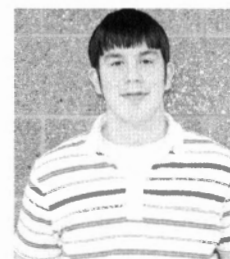
by Sara Bullion



"I've played basketball for nine years and I've stuck with it because I love it. It's a huge stress

reliever and anything can happen at any time so you have to be alert and ready."

**Senior Katy Bryant**



"We have a really great team this year and we all know that we can make it far, we just have to try

really hard. We have a lot of potential and we all get along. I think we are a really great team."

**Junior Joe Powers**



# Glossary

by Kacie Dittenber

**Body Check:** When a player bumps /slams into an opponent with either their hip or shoulder to throw them off balance.

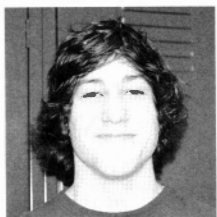
**Crease Lines:** The red lines that form the semi-circular area with a 6-foot radius in front of the goal called the goal crease.

**Power Play:** An attack by a team at full strength against a team playing one man shorthanded because of a penalty.



## Allow fighting?

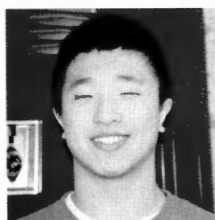
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"YES! You've got equipment on so you shouldn't get hurt. Even if you do, suck it up and

re-learn to fight."

Senior EJ Zaleski



"I think it's a good thing, it prepares you for the next level, whether it be AAA

or Juniors, because there will be guys out there that just want to fight and you have to know how to fight back and defend yourself."

Senior Jonathan Maier

**Skating aggressively and putting the other opponent up into the wall is number sixteen senior EJ Zaleski.** An important part of hockey is being able produce and energy on the ice to encourage their teammates to work harder and skate fiercely.

*Photo by Jake Bonotto*





Players have to be in top condition in order to meet the

# SERIOUS

by Kacie Dittenber & Jake Bonotto

requirements that come with being a hockey player.

Pushing himself to the limit, sophomore Kyle Drake lunges towards the puck. Being aggressive can make the difference between being a good hockey player and an average player. "One of the reasons I play hockey is because it is a contact sport. When I fall it just gives me more drive to play the game," said Drake. Photo by Jake

Everyone stood on their feet to applaud the 7 to 4 lead the Holt Rams had on the East Lansing Tojans. The Rams huddle together to have themselves a victory shout. This was one of the Holt Rams last games of the season. They won with a final score of 8 to 4.

Working together on and off the ice is a constant struggle. Any team that can reach that kind of teamwork is guaranteed a better season. "Working as a team is important because not one guy can do it by himself, it's a team effort and you need to work as a team to be successful," said senior Jonathan Maier. Unfortunately this season was proven to be quite tough. With a final record of twelve wins and ten loses the team did not meet their expectations. Even with all of the loses the team still stays motivated to be better next year. Junior Sean Haskin says that he is motivated by, "the will to win and be the best."

Coming together to share the excitement of scoring a goal is senior Colin Johnson, sophomore Andy Hull and senior Nick Gleason. This was an exciting moment to the end of a great season. "This season was great this year because I had friends on the team. Everyone was really close this year," said Hull. Photo by Jake Bonotto

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"I love watching fights. That's the only reason I like hockey," Junior Nicko Rush



## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

Okemos	6-1	Lake Fenton	9-1
Lowell	9-0	Grand Ledge/Waverly	3-0
Charlotte	40-0	LCC	3-2
East Lansing	9-6	MERC	3-2
Hudsonville	5-2	Potage Central	2-3

Overall Record:  
W:14 L: 11 T:0



From practicing together every day to going to tournaments every weekend, these girls developed

# STRONG

by Sara Bullion & Kaylee Hunt

friendships with one another.

From making it over a ten-foot wall to having three hour practices every day, the women's volleyball team formed many bonding memories with one another this season.

"For team bonding we did high ropes events. We did the electric fence, climbed a ten-foot wall, and had to move twenty feet with all of our feet touching and if anyone moved then we had to start over," said junior Julie Patterson. The team's favorite event to overcome was the water in the pipe, where they had to get a golf ball from one pipe to another without letting it stop rolling or roll backwards.

These interesting, yet fun, activities that the girls accomplished played a role in forming the friendships that they have.

"The team building helped us discover a lot about ourselves and were able to make adjustments to work together better afterwards," said senior Franny DeJongh.

"I just love all the girls that play and winning, of course," said junior Jenna Allen.

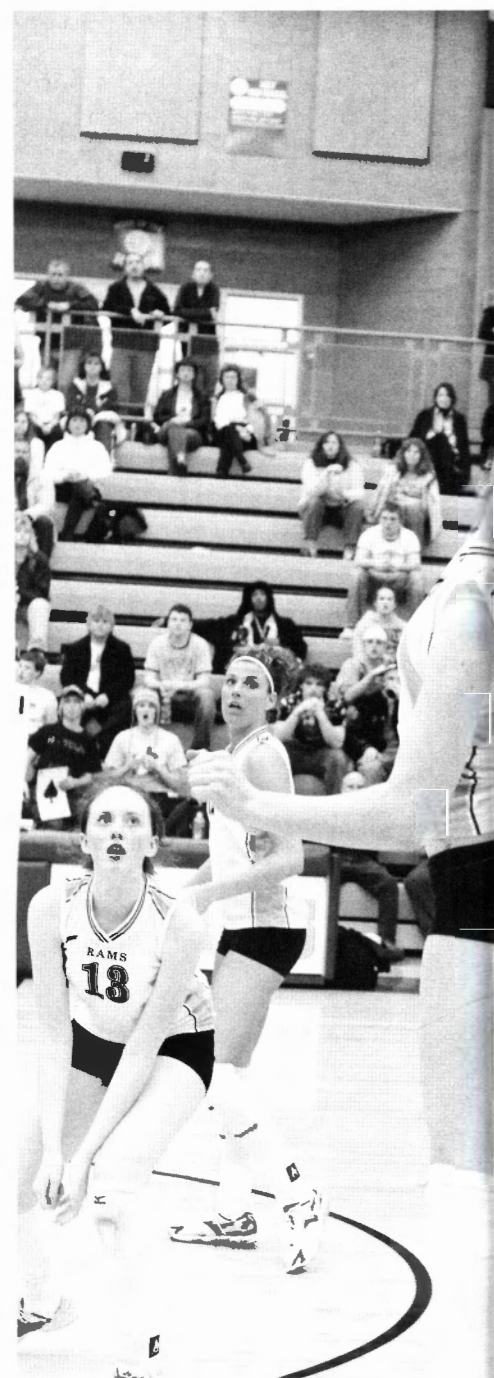


## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS

St John's	3-2	Everette	3-0
Eastern	3-0	Okemos	3-2
Waverly	3-0	Hopkins Invitational	1st
Jackson	3-2	CAAC Meet	3rd
Sexton	3-0	Waverly Invitational	3rd
Charlotte	2-1	Charlotte Invitational	3rd

Overall Record:  
W:35; L:18; T:4

League Record:  
W:5; L:2; T:0



**Attempting to perform an outside hit, senior Missy Klauka jumps up with her arm bent and ready to hit.** "When I'm hitting I just concentrate and stay focused the whole time," said Klauka. Klauka has been playing volleyball since eighth grade. "I'm inspired to play because my older sister played and there was a family friend that was coaching, so that got me into it," said Klauka. *Photo by Sara Bullion*

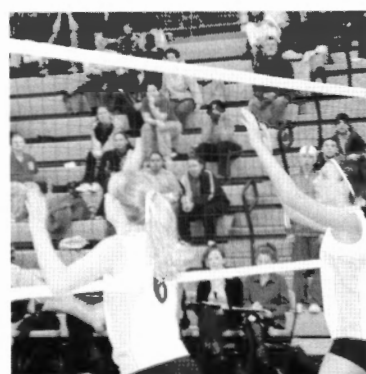
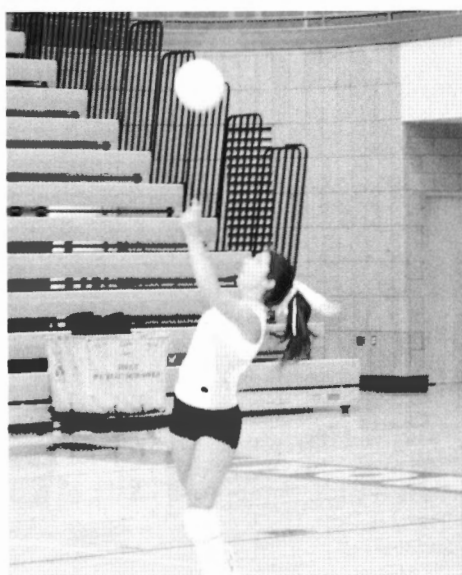






Using her height as an advantage, sophomore **Karen Thompson** gets her hand in the perfect position to spike the ball. "When I'm getting ready to spike a ball I take deep breaths and focus, but everybody has their own rituals that they do," said Thompson. Being her second year on the varsity team, Thompson has improved her skills tremendously. *Photo by Garry Kolb*

With the ball at just the right height, junior **Katelin Moule** focuses to make sure her serve will make it over the net. "When I'm getting ready to serve I always look over at my coach, concentrate, take a deep breath, and focus on the ball and my hand," said Moule. *Photo by Sara Bullion*



Making sure their arms are up high enough to block, sophomore **Karen Thompson** and junior **Kacy Cryderman** focus on the location of the ball. "I like blocking a lot. I like doing it in basketball, and it's pretty much the same thing for volleyball," said Cryderman. *Photo by Sara Bullion*

## Clues about volleyball

by Sara Bullion

**Attack:** The attempt by one team to terminate the play by hitting the ball to the floor on the opponent's side.

**Set:** A ball is directed to a point where a player can spike it onto the opponent's court.

**Dig:** Slang for retrieving an attacked ball close to the floor.

## What do the players think?

by Sara Bullion



"I grew up around volleyball and I've been playing it for seven years. I play because I love it

and I wouldn't trade it for anything in the world."

Junior Miranda Kolb



"The three hour practices every day are rough, but they pay off in the end because we've been

taking first place in our tournaments. It will also help our team to make it out of districts."

Senior Nicole Smith



Hard work and

# GRUELING

by Justine Kozlina

practices make the swim & dive team one of the best.

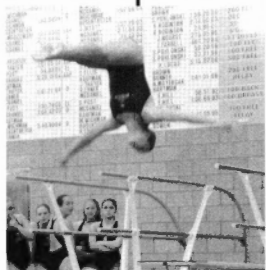
Waking up at 4:30 in the morning was something members of the swim teams hated to do, but this type of hard work and dedication made the teams the best in the area. Both teams had a very successful season, accomplishing things they had never done before.

"St. Johns was the biggest meet. We ended up winning the meet. It felt so good to know we became the best team in the area," said junior Nathan Robinson. The team doesn't think the success comes from just one person.

"Everyone is a big part on the team. It isn't a one man sport, everyone has to pull their weight," said junior David Harris.

The men followed the example the women's team set for them. The team started the season with very high expectations of winning the CAAC title and ranking top ten in the state.

"I was really upset that we lost to Okemos by only four points but I was really proud of my teammates, they did awesome," said junior Kelsey Daoust. Despite not reaching their goals the team still had a great season.



Flying through the water in yet another race junior **Cassandra Meier** shows off her great form. In swimming there are four strokes; freestyle, backstroke, butterfly, and breaststroke. "I swim butterfly. It's a little funny looking and the hardest of all the strokes. Your arms, abs and legs all burn at the same time," said junior **Victoria Flores**. *Photo by Carmen Quinn*



## SCOREBOARD MEN'S WOMEN'S

Waverly Relays	1st of 12	St. Johns	101-85
Marshall	141-45	Sexton	131-51
Okemos	115-71	Ann Arbor Huron	75-111
Sexton	147-35	Okemos	91-95
Jackson	105-65	Grand Ledge	113-73
East Lansing	135-50	Ann Arbor Pioneer	59-127
St. Johns	109-77	Jackson	96-74
Everett	134-50	East Lansing	99-87
Grand Ledge	139-47	Everett	141-37
Eastern	112-67	Eastern	134-48
CAAC's	1st of 8	CAAC's	2nd of 8

Overall Records

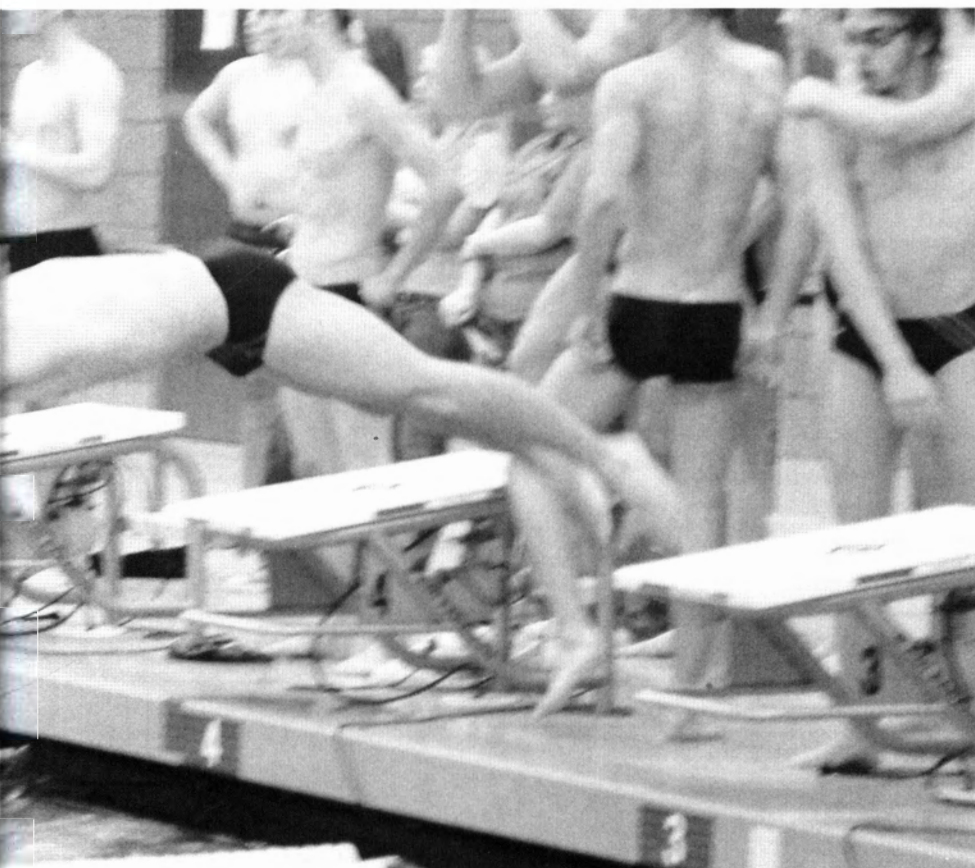
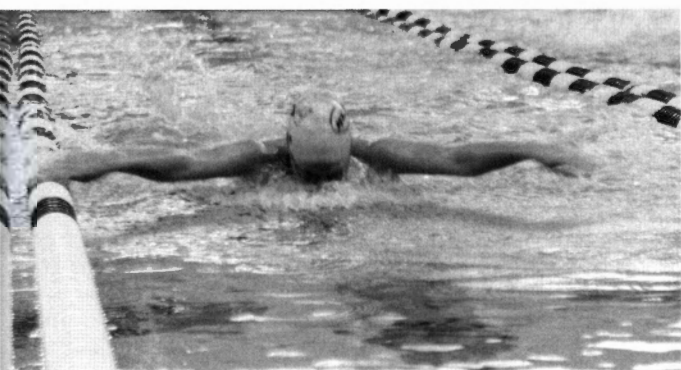
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Starting his leg of the 200 meter medley relay, senior **Paul Pirrotta** dives into the water. Compared to previous years the team built upon success. "Last year we were a great team, but this year we are even better. We won the Dewitt Invitational this year which we have never won before," said senior Paul Pirrotta. *Photo by Justine Kozlina*

Cheering as hard as they can while a fellow teammate swims for a state qualifying time, sophomore **Charles (David) Warner** and junior **Jacob Hettinger** watch a race. The boys team had 6 state cuts, 5 individual cuts and a state cut in the 200 meter free relay. The women's team accumulated 11 state cuts. *Photo by Justine Kozlina*





**Flipping and twisting is as easy as pie** for junior **Stephanie Zaleski**. The lady divers contributed a lot to the teams success placing first, second and third in almost all the dual meets. "Diving is unlike any other sport because people are too scared to try it," said sophomore **Kyle Winsor**. *Photo by Carmen Quinn.*

## Swim/Dive terms

by Justine Kozlina

**Inward dive:** Standing at the end of the board backwards and diving back in towards the board.

**IM:** Swimming all four strokes in one race.

**Flip turn:** A swimmer reaches the wall somersaults and pushes off in the opposite direction.

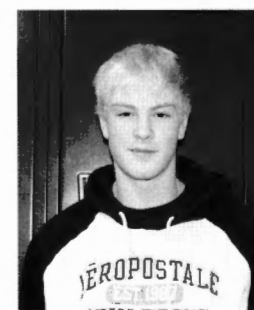
## Boys vs. girls

by Justine Kozlina



"I joined the team because I wanted to do something to make high school memorable. Also a lot of my friends had joined the team so I figured what the heck! I'll do it."

**Senior Lindsey Greiner**



"I joined the team because high school swimming is like a stepping stone towards college swimming and it's a much different situation then club swimming which is a nice change."

**Junior Tyler Groskopf**



# Going for gold

by Megan Schallau & Brooke Darling

- Practice makes perfect.
- Remember to bring bobby pins, hairspray, and uniform.
- Be confident in yourself and your team.
- Never forget to have a good time and smile.
- Be supportive of your team mates.

**Dominating the competition with her scale on the beam, senior Caitlin Lesperance** shows off her flexibility. Her skill, confidence, and experience has helped the team this year. Many of her teammates look up to her demeanor and skill. "The person I look up to on my team is Caitlin Lesperance. She is always smiling, laughing, and is a very good motivator. She is also a great gymnast and tries hard, so I look up to her for that," said sophomore **Brittany Enos**. *Photo by Justine Kozlina*

**With feelings of anticipation, the dance team** awaits the decision of the judges in the Sparta Competition. "Placing third in the Jazz category and first in the pom category was the most memorable part of the season. This is the first time the dance team has placed first at a competition and was a great way to end senior year, said senior **Kathleen Darbor**. *Courtesy Photo*



## Inspirational influences

by Megan Schallau & Brooke Darling



"I look up to the older girls on the team and the people who have been on the team

before. They know what to do for competitions and performances at the games."

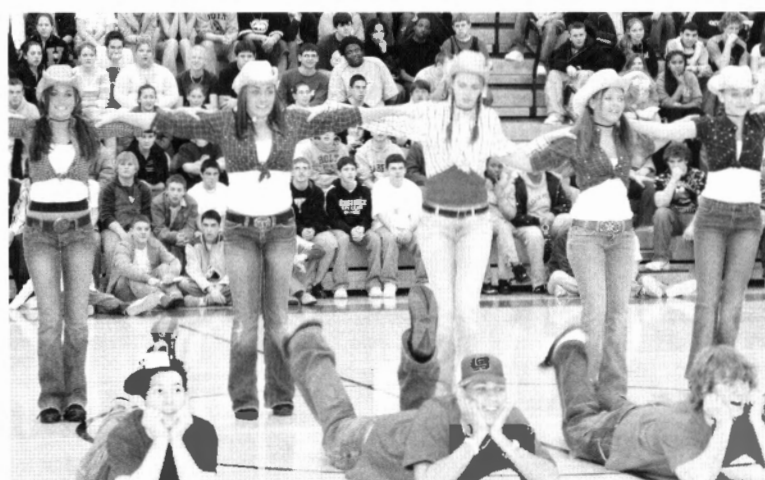
Junior Sarah Washburn



"I look up to the seniors on the team because they're always so supportive and fun

to be around. We all get along great, it's like one big happy family."

Junior Heather Brandenburg

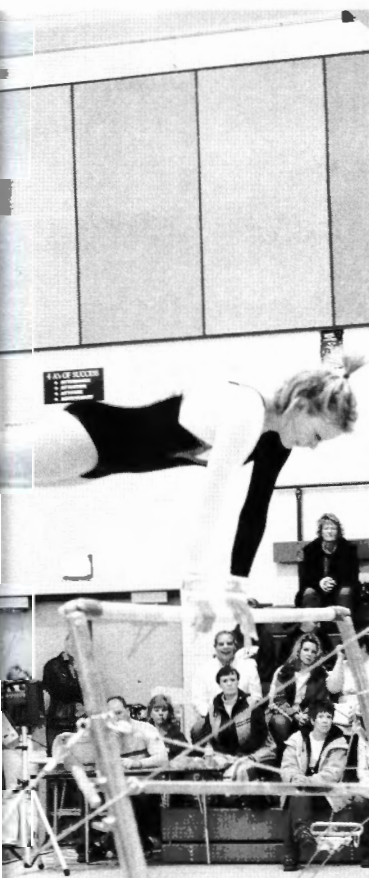


**Showing the boys who's boss, the dance team** performs the annual guy-girl dance during the Winterfest pep rally. The dance was done to high spirited country music and was a combination of a kick line and a crowd pleasing performance. "I enjoy watching the dance team perform at half time so dancing with the girls for the guy-girl dance was a lot of fun," said junior **Dustin Liles**. *Photo by Brooke Darling*

**Attempting a free hip on the bars, junior Stephanie Zaleski**, works her way into a handstand at the meet against St. Johns. It takes a lot of hard work and determination to be a gymnast. Skill is very important and a key factor in beating the competition. "I love competitions and learning new skills," said junior **Alyse Siedelberg**. *Photo by Justine Kozlina*







# SCOREBOARD

## DANCE GYMNASTICS

Mid-America	4th (pom)	Northwest	130.0- 98.30
The Palace	13th (pom)	Western	133.75- 114.35
Sparta	1st (pom)	Haslett	140.45-118.575
Waverly	3rd (dance)	Hillsdale	138.35-118.825
		Jackson	132.25- 106.6
		Mason	133.175- 124.8
		St. Johns	137.55- 122
		Grand Ledge	137.1- 136.45
		East Lansing	134-122.2
		Lumen Christi	142.575- 97.60
		Haslett Invite	140.425 (2nd)
		Canton Invite	8th out of 16
		CAAC: 1st Place	
		Regionals: 1st Place	States: 4th Place

Dancers and gymnasts are extremely dedicated and must stay

# FOCUSED

by Megan Schalaus & Brooke Darling

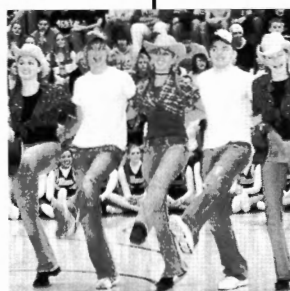
to achieve the ultimate goal of success and working together as a team.



Battling the graduation of teammate, Tiffany Heuhs, who was second in the state last year, the gymnastics team had doubts about how successful they would be. With determination, the team used their skills to beat the competition and place first in the CAAC's for the second consecutive year.

Many girls were nominated to the state qualifying team and continued to work hard in making their dream of a state championship come true.

"We're always working towards the goal of making it to states, last year was the first time in five years," said junior Stephanie Zaleski.



The dance team also faced the loss of three strong dancers due to injuries. They placed first at the Sparta competition for the first time. Through the hardships they kept smiling and always looked forward to every performance.

"I always look forward to the guy-girl dance because it's always a lot of fun," said sophomore Kaitlyn Sundstrom.



Soccer players must have the strength  
and the will to survive a

# ROUGH

by Kacie Dittenber  
& Megan Schalaus

and brutal season.

What does it take to be a true soccer player? The most important asset of being a strong soccer player is the ability to never give up and trust in your team. "It's important to work with your team because one on eleven would stink," said junior Ashley Schouten.

It's essential to have trust in your team because you have to work together down the field to transition the ball and ultimately score a goal. When your team has your back anything is possible, like the boys varsity defeat against rivals Grand Ledge and the Girls Varsity soccer team winning districts. With heart and determination a single player has the will but what brings it all together is the team. "A soccer player's will is very strong, it's practically unbreakable," said junior Bernardo Mandujano.

A true soccer player never hangs their head at a bitter defeat but looks at it as, being able to reflect on what went wrong and work together to better the team. After winning the first three games the Men's Varsity soccer team suffered a defeat against Okemos but came back to win the next three games.



Trying to score a goal against Eastern is senior **Christian Bull**. The Holt Rams beat Eastern with a score of 2-1. Although experiencing victories on the fields are great many of the team members felt that the best highlight of the season was a personal victory. "The best part of the season was when Joel Maier went back on the field towards the end of the Jackson game. It was his first time in over a year that he was able to play," said junior Zach Looman.  
*Photo by Brooke Darling*

**Controlling the ball senior Franny Dejough** makes her way down the field. "Last season was a lot of fun, it was such an accomplishment to win districts in a double over time shoot out," said Dejough. *Courtesy Photo*



## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Eastern	2-1	Waverly	8-0
Sexton	6-0	Grand Ledge	3-0
Jackson	3-0	Eastern	2-0
Charlotte	2-0	Everett	8-0
Kalamazoo Central	6-1	Sexton	10-0

Overall Records:  
W: 13, L: 6, T: 3

W: 13, L: 5, T: 3 1st in CAAC







## Terms to know

by Kacie Dittenber

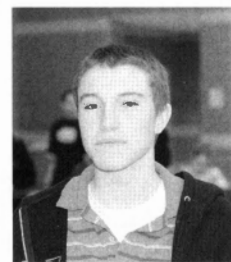
**Juggling:** Keeping a ball in the air without using the hands or arms.

**Nutmeg:** To pass the ball through the legs of the defender or goal-keeper.

**Hat trick:** Three or more goals scored in a game by a single player.

## Season highlights

by Kacie Dittenber & Megan Schalaus



This year we beat Grand Ledge in the first game of districts. They had beat us twice before both in

overtime, so that was one of the team's biggest accomplishments.

Junior Matt Jenca



The girls team beat Okemos in districts after playing several amazing teams for three hours

before the last game, we ended up winning districts.

Junior Bridgette Griffiths



**Performing a corner kick junior Mike Gukasov** aims for the goal. "When I'm making a corner kick I try to place it at the penalty mark in front of the goal so someone can get a header," said Gukasov. The Men's Varsity Soccer team finished the season off with a total of thirteen wins and placed fifth in the CAACs.

Photo by Brooke Darling

**"You have to have good soccer skills** and you must be determined when walking on to that field, you've got to want it to win it," said senior **Sam Whitford**. Blocking her defender Whitford manages to keep the ball in control and in her possession to score a goal. *Courtesy Photo*



# Tennis can be your game

By Sandra McCormick

- Practice running - you have to be quick on your feet to play this game.
- Don't dwell on your messed up shots, the game is not over until it's over.
- Be aggressive, the net can be your friend.

Spiking the ball is one way to psych out an opponent. Junior **Sarah Harris** hits an overhead smash to score a point. Holt placed first at regionals and eighteenth at in the state, aided with Harris' help. *Photo by Sara Turner*



One of the two doubles seniors, **Megan Massa**, gets ready to serve the ball. Massa commented that being partners with **Laura Mastin** was one of the best things about her season. "I'm definitely going to miss it," said Massa's partner Laura Mastin. *Photo by Sara Turner*



# Tennis Terms

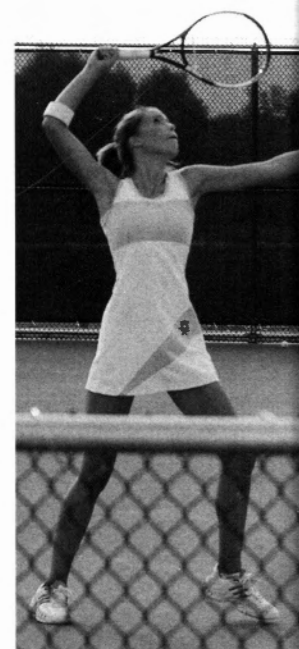
by Sandra McCormick

**Love:** A score of zero.

**Let:** When the ball hits net and still lands in bounds; the point is replayed.

**Volly:** Hitting the ball before it bounces.

**Fault:** Missed serve.





The Rams tennis teams found that working and swinging

# HARD

by Sandra McCormick

can win matches and even Regionals

GO HOLT RAMS! GO HOLT RAMS! This was the exact feeling that the girls tennis team was thinking this past fall when they placed 1st at the Pinckney Invitational, Holt Invitational and at Regionals.

"I had a lot of fun going to states. It wasn't even playing tennis. I was the fact that we all get along so well and got to have fun together in the hotel," said senior Laura Mastin.

The men's team also had a great season. Placing 2nd at regionals and 14th in states. They placed 1st at Howell's Invitational and Haslett's Invitational. '05 senior Jake Tropf and senior Devin Montague place 4th doubles in regionals.

For most members of the guys or girls tennis teams the future plans are not sure. For example, many team members were unsure if they will play at the collegiate level. Each has enjoyed playing and participating in the sport. Most importantly though is the fact that tennis is and always will be "a sport you can play for life," according to Mastin.

Playing tennis during the spring helps most athletes stay active. Such is the case for sophomore **Josh Webb**, who is playing for Holt. Running around on the court helps the cardio vascular system stay fit. Holt placed 2nd at regionals. *Courtesy Photo*

Get Ready, and Serve! When playing tennis you have to learn to aim well and play hard. Senior **Alaina Hamlin** enjoyed her time on the team and especially going to states. "All the girls got along well," **Hamlin** said. *Photo by Sara Turner*

## SEASONS HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Everett	8-0	Everett	8-0
Sexton	8-0	Sexton	8-0
Charlotte	8-0	Mason	5-3
Waverly	7-1	Waverly	7-1
Haslett	8-0	Haslett	8-0
Overall Records: W: 8; L: 11		W: 9; L: 11	
Regionals: 2nd State: 14th		Regionals: 1st State: 18th	



Golf is a game that challenges players in highschool, but it is also a

# LIFETIME

by Sandra McCormick

sport players can play their entire lives.



Golf its a sport of dedication and patients. Hitting the ball in the peace and quiet of the fairway and watching it glide down and land with a thud on the green. There is nothing quite like it.

Just ask sophomore Maddie Massa. "I love everything. There are so many parts: being outside and competing. I just love it."

For most avid golfers the game is a way of being together and having fun with a group of people. For example the girls team got together to play dance, dance revolution. "It was kind of dorky, but we had fun," said senior Audrey Dowell.

Other fun things included making it to states and Tara Dell sinking a 90 yard hole-in-one on the number 9 tee at El Derado.

The girls team practiced at El Derado during the spring while the guys uses the course during the fall. Both teams made it to states this season.



## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Sexton	151-194	Jackson	175-304
East Lansing	339-325	Okemos	173-175
Okemos	304-303	Grand Ledge	175-208
Everett	154-179	Eastern	173-207
Grand Ledge	154-143	Sexton	169-206

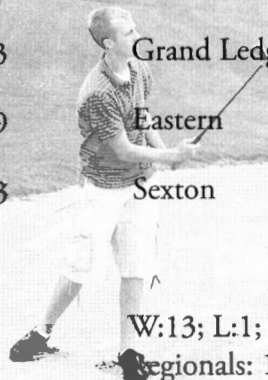
Overall Records:

W: ; L: ; T:

Regionals: 2nd State: 14th

W:13; L:1; T:0

Regionals: 1st State: 10th



Practice makes perfect, at least for the Men's golf team. Their second place ranking - out of the area's thirteen teams - shows just how much. Practice for the guys team took place at El Derado in Mason, where the team calls home. *Courtesy Photo*







**Checking to make sure his ball is lined up perfectly,** senior **Josh Burt** prepares to putt. Having the correct angle is essential to making key putts. Burt placed 12th at states with scores of 76 on the first 18 and 79 on the second. *Courtesy Photo*

**Getting your ball stuck in the sand** can be a bad thing. Senior **Megan Massa** sprays sand everywhere as she hits her ball out of the trap. Massa has been playing golf for years and is thinking about playing for Oregon State this next year. "I'm not sure if I want to, but I will always play for fun," said Massa. *Courtesy Photo*



**Getting the correct angle is always** important on the green or on the fairway. Junior **Maddie Massa** lines up her putt before beginning to swing. Maddie loves the game and all of the opportunities it offers. *Courtesy Photo*

## The best game

by Sandra McCormick

- Have a positive attitude.
- Set up your feet well.
- Focus your aim.
- Be confident.
- Don't get too frustrated.
- Do not try to hit the ball as hard as you can.

## The hip terms

by Sandra McCormick

**Par:** The expected number of hits to reach the hole from the tee.

**Tee:** Wooden stick the ball goes on to start the game.

**Bogey:** One over par for the hole.

**Birdie:** One under the hole.

**Shank:** When a person hits the ball badly.

**Mulligan:** To redo your last hit.

**Fore:** Watch out! Ball coming in for a landing.

**Hozel Rocket:** When you hit the ball off the heel of the club.

**Worm Burner:** You go to swing and hit the ball on the top and it rolls across the ground.

**Eagle:** A score of two below par on a hole.

**Whiff:** When a player swings and misses the ball.

**Albatross:** A score of three below par.



# Do you know?

by Sara Bullion

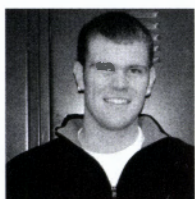
**Infield players:** They catch grounders and throw the ball to different bases to get opposing players out.

**Curve Ball:** Any of several pitches that veer to the left when thrown with the right hand and to the right when thrown with the left hand.

**Fast Ball:** A pitch thrown at the pitcher's maximum speed.

## What the players think

by Sara Bullion & Danielle Graham



"I started playing because my brother did and I wanted to be better than him. Beating Grand

Ledge to win the Diamond Classic was one of my favorite things because our team is good so it was nice to show it."

**Senior Drew Webber**



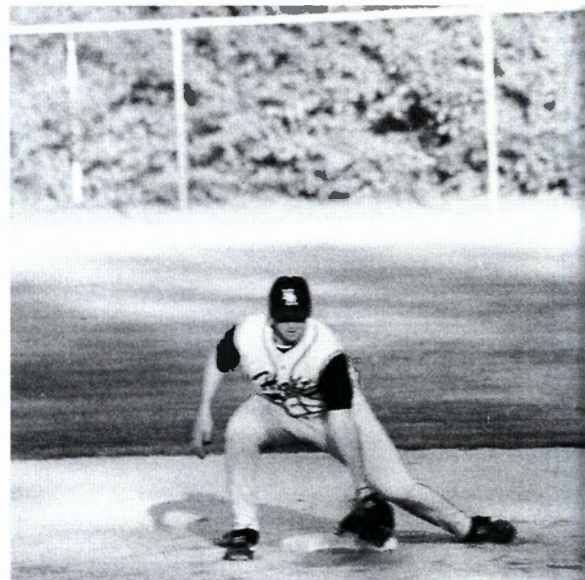
"I've been playing since I was seven years old. My favorite position is being catcher and my least

favorite is being on the bench. I love being with the girls on the team and just playing the game."

**Junior Danielle Smith**



**Leaping towards the ground, senior Jake Moreno** attempts to catch a ball hit towards his base. "I like baseball because it is just as mental as it is physical," said Moreno. Although Moreno liked playing baseball in general, his favorite position was catcher. "I like being catcher because I am a part of every pitch and I get to call the game," said Moreno. *Courtesy Photo*

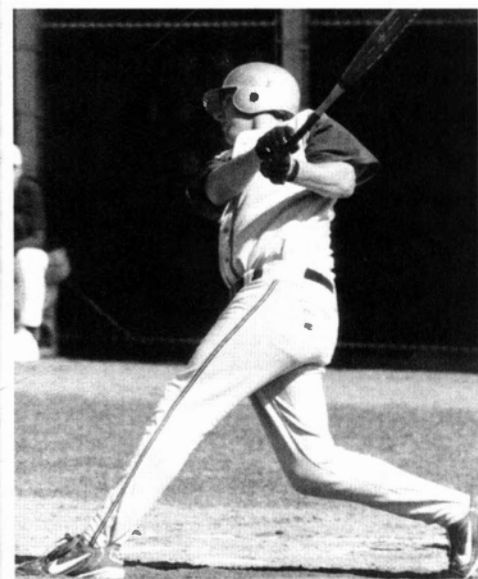




**Concentrating on the base she's** headed towards, junior **Danielle Ward** makes sure she gets there on time.

"When I'm running I want to make sure I get to the base before the ball does," said Ward. Ward has been playing softball since she was in kindergarten. "My favorite part about softball is hanging out in the dug out," said Ward. *Courtesy Photo.*

**Keeping an eye on the ball he just** hit, senior **Jake Moreno** waits to see where it landed. "When I bat I think about what I'm going to do in different situations if they were to happen," said Moreno. The players agreed that batting is a position that requires very good concentration on the ball. *Photo by Sara Bullion.*



**Supporting one another for their** great work throughout the Mason vs. Holt game are seniors **Chris Cross**, **Jake Moreno** and **Drew Webber**. "My least favorite part of baseball is losing because when I don't play and we lose I feel bad because I always felt I could have helped," said Cross. *Courtesy Photo.*

# SCOREBOARD

## BASEBALL

## SOFTBALL

Waverly	8-2; 7-0	Waverly	7-6; 12-1
Johns	7-8; 11-1	St. Johns	9-7; 9-5
Jackson	1-3; 1-10	Jackson	4-2
Sexton	11-2; 13-6	Sexton	15-0
Okemos	4-3; 6-8	Okemos	7-2
Williamston	7-1; 7-7	Williamston	10-0; 8-1
Eaton Rapids	9-1; 17-4	Eaton Rapids	10-8; 14-3
Mason	14-7	Mason	14-1; 19-1
Eastern	11-7; 6-2	Eastern	8-3; 12-7
Overall Records:			
W: 11; L: 3; T: 1		W: 14; L: 1; T: 0	

The women's softball team and men's baseball team worked together to form a

# STRONG

by Sara Bullion & Danielle Graham

bond that contributed to a well rounded season

Working as a team is a huge part of every sport, including baseball and softball. Getting along with the people you play with is very important in order to complete a well rounded season.

"My favorite part of playing softball is being with the team and being together and making good plays. I like performing the best," said senior Kendra Shaft.

"My favorite part about baseball is watching the batters when I know they're scared," said senior Chris Cross.

The baseball team kept themselves bonded with one another throughout the entire season, which resulted in the win of Districts, as well as the Diamond Classic.

"The major goal of the team was to win the Diamond Classic so it was really cool when we did. No one expected us to win it either," said senior Randy Neff.

Both the baseball and softball team formed many great memories that will carry with them for many years.





The Holt Ram's Lacrosse team  
had to stick

# TOGETHER

by Kacie Dittenber  
& Kaylee Hunt

in order to win throughout the season.

Watching the men and women's lacrosse teams, you might not know they are playing the same sport. Each team plays a unique version of the game with customized rules. The men's team needed ten players on the field and at least four of those players, the goalie included, on defense. The women's team needed six defenders on the field and were required to wear protective goggles.

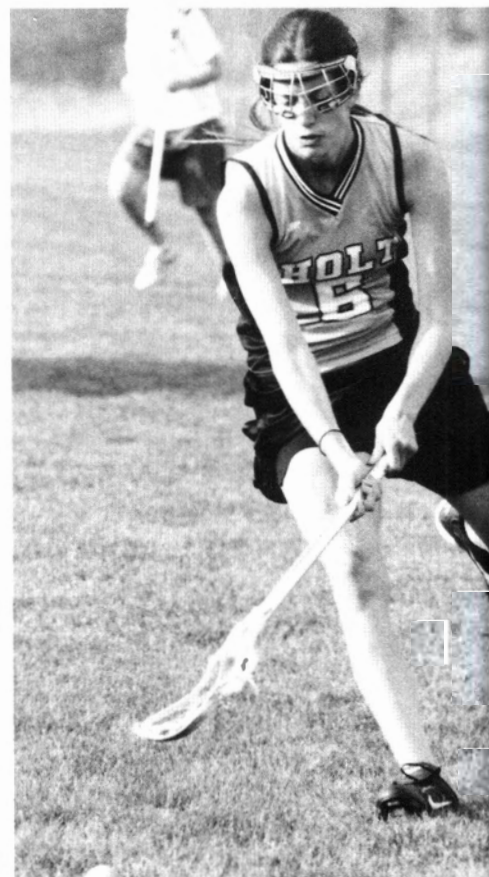
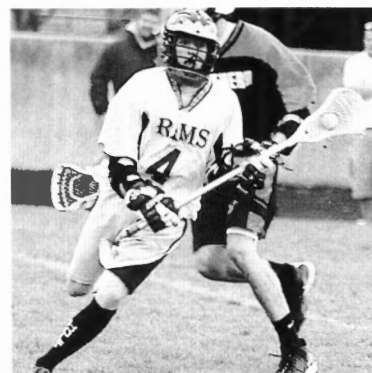
Despite the differences both teams agreed it's a good way to stay in shape. "I joined because I wanted something to do to keep me active, and I really like to throw the ball around," said junior Jeff Twomley.

With all of the hard work, players stayed active. "We work extremely hard. We do a lot of basic drills to improve our skills, but we also practice game situations such as fast breaks," said junior Chris Purdy.

Although they spend a lot of time working hard they also have fun. "For a playoff game we put make-up on our manager Dong. We gave him the name 'Axel'. He looked so hard core, and it was good luck because we won," said senior Kayla Burns.

With goggles on and stick in hand senior **Michelle Bicego** is prepared for anything. Having been on the team for four years Bicego and the team have improved their game. "One of the most memorable moments would be the Waverly game last season. Four years ago we played them for our first game and they killed us. It was pouring outside and none of us had played before in our lives and Waverly was the State Champion. But last year, we killed them," said Bicego. *Courtesy Photo*

**Attempting to score another goal** junior **Noah Steer**, who plays midfield, runs with the ball, just slightly ahead of the opposing team. This was Steer's second year on the team. "Lacrosse is a spectacular sport the everyone should play," said Steer. *Courtesy Photo*



## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Portage Northern	12-3	Okemos	15-13
E. Kentwood	8-2	West Ottawa	18-4
Grand Rapids CC	5-8	Rockford	8-5
Okemos	6-10	Forest Hills	14-2
Holland Christian	14-5	Waverly	10-7

Overall Records:  
W: 3, L: 13, T: 1

W: 7, L: 4, T: 0





## What to do

by Kacie Dittenber

- Always wear protective gear.
- Practice catching and throwing skills.
- Be able to switch hands and sides so you can dodge the defender.
- Condition - there is a lot of running.

## Why join?

by Kacie Dittenber & Kaylee Hunt



I joined because it is a kick butt sport. I love playing in the rain, and so many of my friends

were playing so I thought, 'Heck yea, lacrosse.' Everything is great in lacrosse. The bus rides were fun and the team is very close knit.

Junior Taylor Parker



My older brother started the Holt Lacrosse program back in 2001, so he got me into it. He was number

86, and so am I. I like making a play on offense. Whether it's a shot or pass doesn't matter, it's just fun when the team gets a good-looking goal.

Junior Bobby Becsey



**Chasing after a ground ball senior Kayla Burns** fulfills her position as center. This was Burns' fourth year on the team. "I joined because it was a brand new sport so everyone -freshman and seniors- were all at the same skill level. Plus, I watched the guys team and they looked sweet," said Burns.  
*Photo by Sarah Bullion*

**Leaping up to catch a ball, junior Chase Everett** uses all he has to stay ahead of the opposing player who is right on his heels. "Lacrosse was something new, something I have never tried before and I've made a lot of new friends," said Everett.  
*Photo by Sarah Bullion*



# Getting to know coach Rarick

by Josh Munyon



"The next season for track is my first year as the head coach and my goals are to have the same number of athletes at the end of the season as there were at the beginning of the season. I want the kids to stick with it the whole season."



Striving hard to get the win, sophomore **John Bort** hands off the baton to sophomore **Nathan Quebbeman**. "I ran track to get into better shape," said Bort. Bort ran the Open 800, the 4x800 meter relay and the 4x400 meter relay. Quebbeman also ran the 4x800 meter relay, and the open 800. *Courtesy Photo*



With a leap of faith, junior **Heather Brandenburg** sticks her landing. "I joined track to keep me in shape and I really enjoyed hanging out with my friends in track and I loved the coaches," said Brandenburg. Along with the long jump, Brandenburg also ran the 100 meter hurdles and 300 meter hurdles and achieved her varsity letter. *Courtesy Photo*





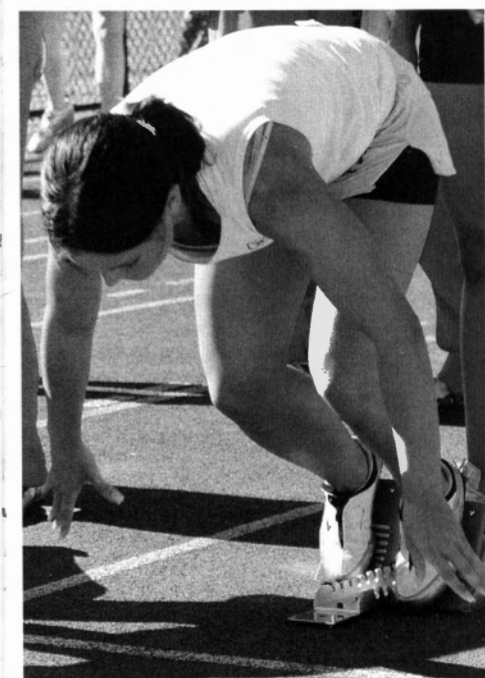
# Player spotlight

by Josh Munyon

Struggling for first place, 2005 senior Myron Knox runs for the win. Knox was a four year track runner and was first for the sprint relay. "Myron was a great runner," said 2005 track coach Jerry Gilette, "he did very well and moved up quick in varsity track."

*Courtesy Photo*

**Concentrating on the race ahead,** 2005 senior **Gracie Hilliard** sets up in her blocks for the next race. The blocks that are used to start from are used for faster and more graceful starts. "I love the energy you get from running," said Hilliard. *Courtesy Photo*



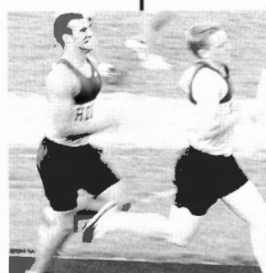
**Stretching for the limits, senior Denis Reich** leaps the hurdle in his race. "I started off doing short sprints and other running when I thought that I would try the hurdles," Reich said, "it's hard for some people but it just came natural to me." Reich competed in the 110 meter high hurdles, the 300 meter intermediate hurdles, and other relays and sprints. *Courtesy Photo*

Running hard, the 2005 track team members push their

# PHYSICAL

by Josh Munyon

limits to improve their performance.



Not thinking too much about competitions for the 2005 track season, the main focus was on improving times, getting in shape, and just performing better instead of trying to take all the wins.

"Although we didn't have many wins, the 2005 track season was the best season for practices," said track coach Jack Rarick. "I love the practices and actually getting into better shape. Practices are first and the wins will come on their own."

With a 15 minute warm up jog and different types of cal-  
estetic workouts, endurance improved. "Since I did shot put I didn't have to run as much as the sprinters did," said sophomore Nick Norton, "but we each had our own workouts and it really paid off in the end, I got faster and stronger for football."

The work ethic shown by each athlete on the field was incredible. "Most people in track are working for other sports as well. They each worked hard every day and really showed good work ethic," said 2005 head track coach Jerry Gilette.

## SEASON HIGHLIGHTS MEN'S WOMEN'S

Grand Ledge	48-120	East Lansing	96-75
Eastern	100-68	Sexton	107-60
Okemos	80-88	Everett	115-52
East Lansing	50-118	Jackson	102-65
Sexton	48-120	Mason Invite	3rd
Everett	100-68	Jackson Invite	3rd
Jackson	100-66	Playmakers/MSU	3rd

State Qualifiers: Chloe Hamilton, Tyler Holtz, Mitch Zajac, Girls 4 x 800 relay team



Two nights a week, twelve teams get together for some

# LAIID-BACK

by Kevin Judy & Sarah Turner

Intramural basketball.



Don't have time for regular basketball? Want to be a baller? Then intramural basketball is the answer. Not only are there fewer practices, but IM focuses less on competition and more on fun.

"I joined because basketball is my second favorite sport, and this team is all about having a good time," said junior Nick Stuible.

It was thirty-five dollars to enroll. This fee included a customized shirt that the team designed and twelve regular season games. Each individual team determined when and where they practiced. Some of the teams didn't even practice at all.

Social studies teacher Jim Keckeisen took over IM five years ago because he likes to be involved with sports, but doesn't have the time to get involved in a varsity sport.

"The reason I do this is because playing with the kids makes it easier to work with them," Keckeisen said, "regardless of ability, basketball is fun."



"Trex is the biggest over-rated player in intramural history," said senior **Billy Albrecht**. Trexler has been playing intramural basketball for three years. "Tom Izzo told me that Trexler would never have the opportunity to play in any other league," added Albrecht. "Trex is an F.B. I was a little mad when he body-slammed me into the wall, but that was after we beat him," said senior **Ryan Taylor**. *Photo by Kevin Judy*

**Dribbling down the court, senior Corey Burt** helps his team get ahead. "Corey has got to be one of the better players in the league this year," said senior **Dong Nguyen**, "he has natural talent." Burt played intramural for three years and will miss it after he graduates. "Intramural was one thing that I could always look forward to after football season, I will miss it when it's over," said Burt. *Photo by Kevin Judy*



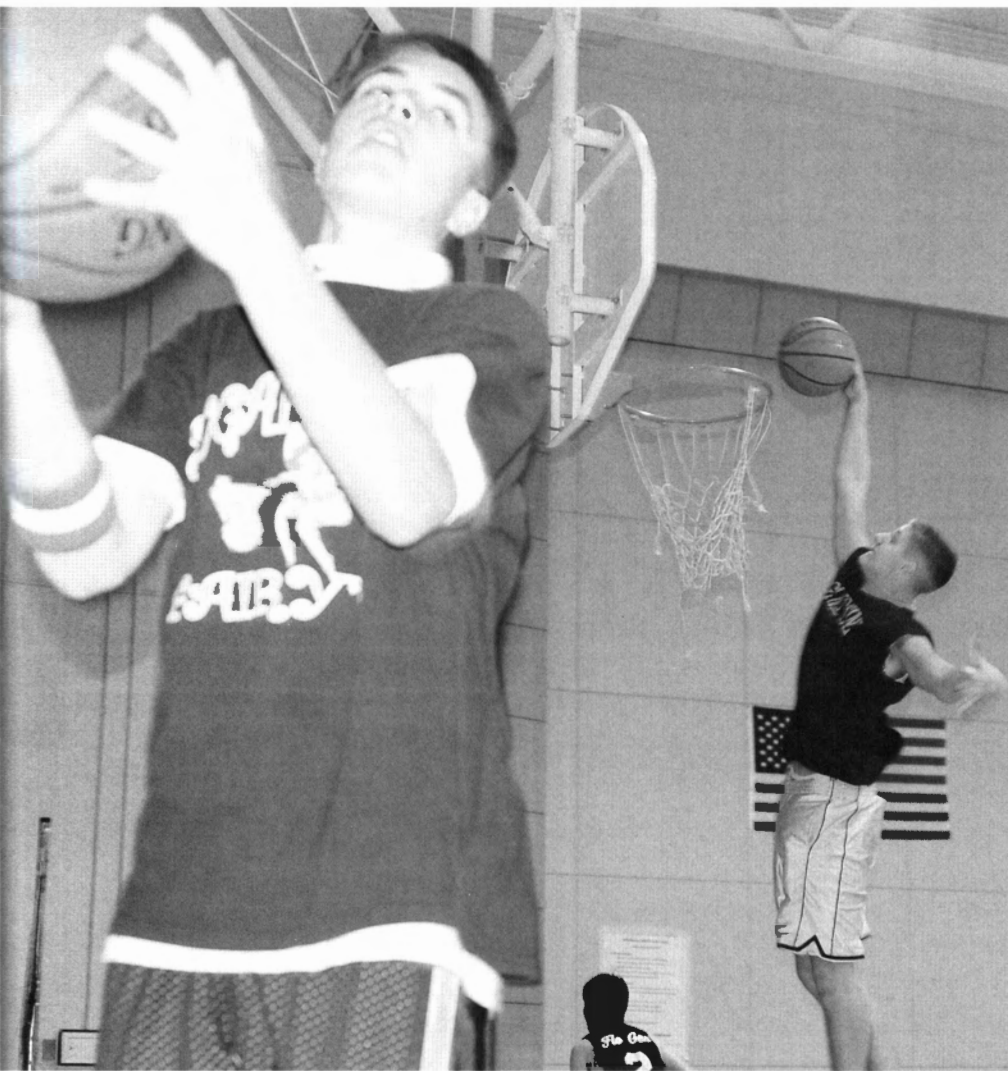
## SCOREBOARD

Team Arthritis	10-0	Central	5-5
Droppin' Dimes	8-2	Condiments Crew III	3-7
Sugar Plum Fairies	8-2	TMNT	2-8
Hard Hitters	5-5	Benchwarmers	0-10
Midnight Marauders	5-5	Gorillas	6-3
Band-Aids	5-5	Death Row	4-3

Playoff champion: Sugar Plum Fairies  
Three point champion: Brandon Spencer







## To start a team

by Kevin Judy

- Get seven to ten friends together for a team.
- Pay thirty-five dollars and design the team t-shirt.
- Set practice times (if wanted)
- Have a good time.

## Meet the teams

by Kevin Judy



"We began our lives as small turtles. As time went by, we morphed into the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. We decided to try our skills on the court, but found out we were better off just being ninjas."

### Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles



"You know us Benchwarmers, we're not the fastest team, we're not the strongest team, we're not the most talented team, and in reality, we're not even remotely athletic. But the reason we play is because it's fun... well, most of the time at least."

### The Benchwarmers



**Charging the hoop for the Hard Hitters**, junior **Mike Freshney** lays it up for two points. "Freshney rocks my socks, inside and out," said senior **Brandon Packer**, "this year we are doing pretty well, and hopefully the playoff gods are on our side." The Hard Hitters name implied a physical team. "We're naturally built this way, and when we hit it, we hit it hard," said Packer. *Photo by Kevin Judy*

**Soaring past the defense**, senior **Mike Cary** goes for a rebound. "I didn't even know that Mikey had ups," said senior **Ross Hagfors**, "Mike is definitely a productive addition to our team. I mean, we have pretty low standards, but he is pretty much a baller." *Photo by Kevin Judy*



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# THE Pit

by Sarah Turner;  
Kelly Hamelin  
& Jake Bonotto

**H**ave you and your friends ever discovered something you swore to keep a secret? Ten friends did just that this year. Never did they imagine that they would discover such a get away in such a normal town. Parking their cars and walking ten minutes through the woods, they found a secret. The perfect hide out. **THE PIT.** Standing above open water forty-five feet in the air the friends were faced with one question: "Do I jump or not?"

Senior **BRIAN SCHULTZ**, the Pit extremist, does it all. With heights ranging from thirty feet to forty five feet and two rope swings, Schultz demonstrated his no-fear attitude here.

Everyone's experience at the Pit is different. Just ask junior **VICTORIA SHEARER**. "My boyfriend took me and our friend **JOSH HARSUFF** in the middle of the night. They had been to the pit before. I climbed the tree and stood there for a minute. The guys were scared to jump. I showed them that girls can be more fearless then guys when I jumped before them."

Everything from cook outs, campfires and fishing, the pit had it all. Still to this day, only a few know where this hidden escape is. If the Pit interests you, maybe you might be able to find it. But if it's found, it might not ever be the same again. "The best part about the pit, is that it is a hidden paradise," said junior **RYAN BELL**.







"It's the most beautiful place ever. It makes me smile just thinking about it." - Junior **RYAN BELL**



"It's off the chain through the yard and over the fence. I mean, it's tight." - Junior **HUGH WASHINGTON**



**C**limbing the tree and swinging from ropes, pit-goers enjoy their hidden treasure. If you go up, you must come down. Senior **BRIAN SCHULTZ** plummets into the water then climbs up to go again. Later, Schultz jokes around with friends while swimming with a dead possum. "It just ended up floating down the river. **CHAOS** was involved everyday we spent at the pit," said junior **ANTHONY BRIDGES**. The few students who discovered the pit had many memorable times there. One of the best things about the pit was the fact that anything could happen.

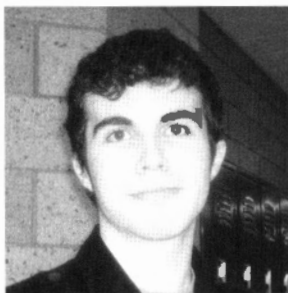


# WHERE & WHAT?

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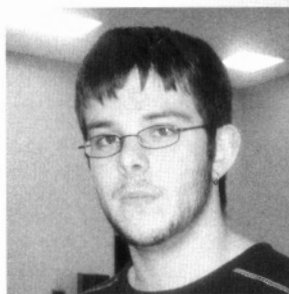
## Students spending time around the town

"It's really fun hanging out in Audrey Dowell's basement, just eating food and spending time with friends." - Senior **ANNA KEELER**



"A lot of my friends and I just hang out at my house, and play good music." - Senior **SHAUN SPIVAK**

"I love Roy Kirby's apartment. We chill." - Junior **JESSE LOVEJOY**



"My friends and I usually either go to the movies, mall, or go out to eat somewhere. It all depends on how much extra money we have." - Sophomore **CAROLYN WARREN**







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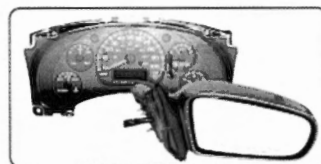
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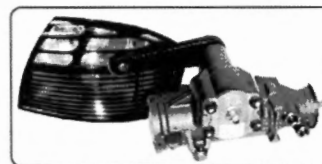
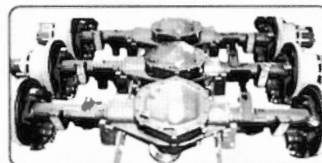


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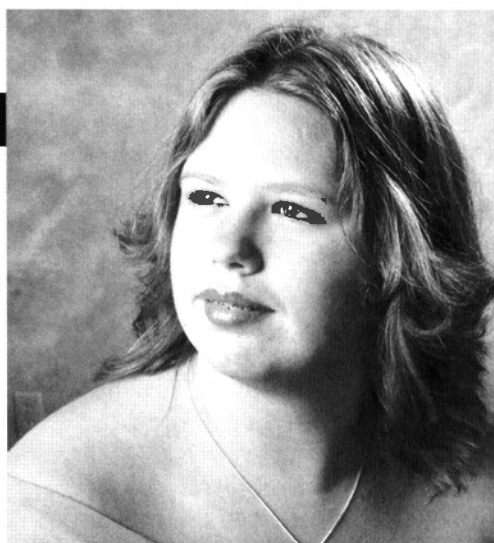
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member to always be thankful and dream  
big and most of all BELIEVE.  
Love,  
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bone of my bone, but still miraculously,  
my own. Never forget for a single  
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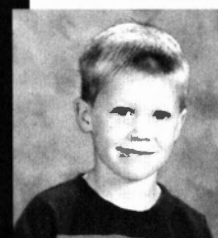
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The memories we have are unforgettable  
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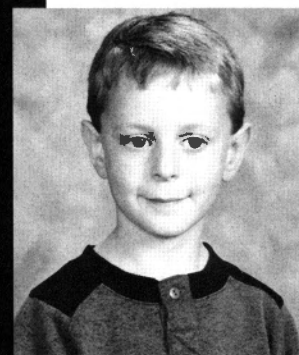
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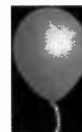
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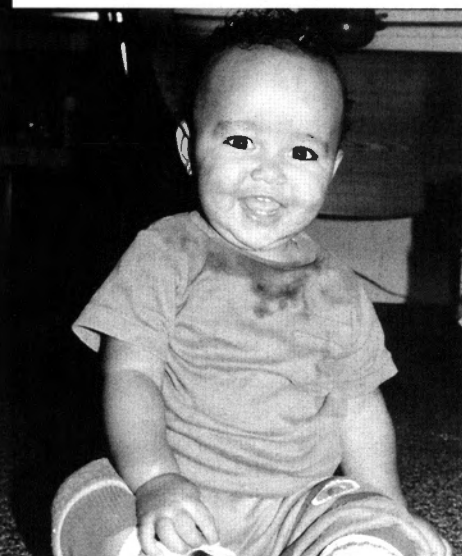
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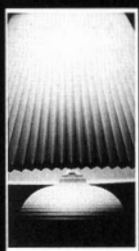
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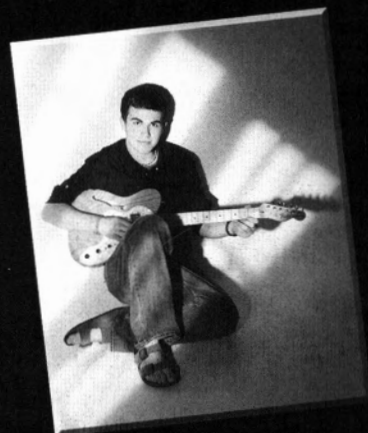
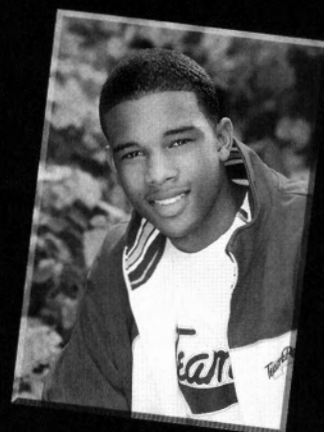
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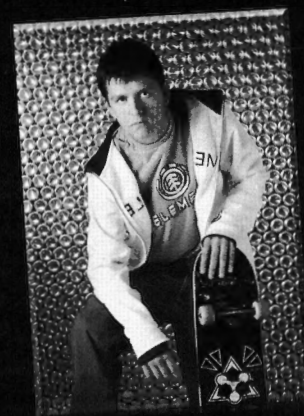
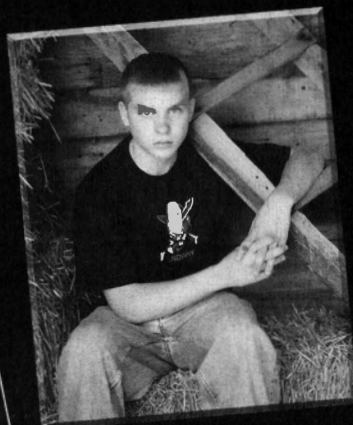


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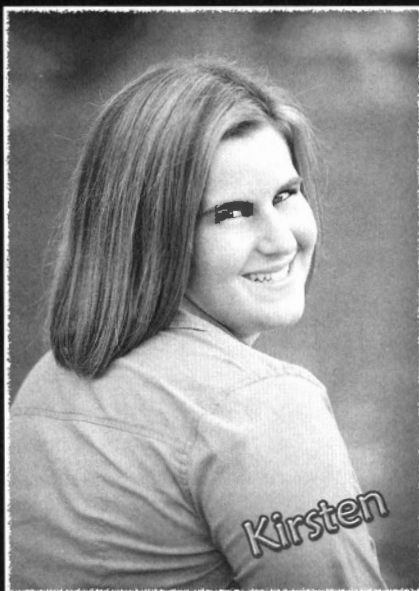
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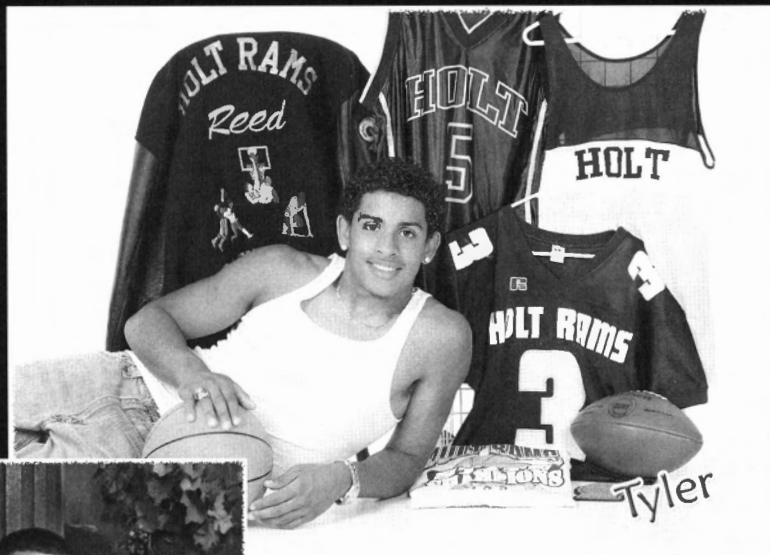
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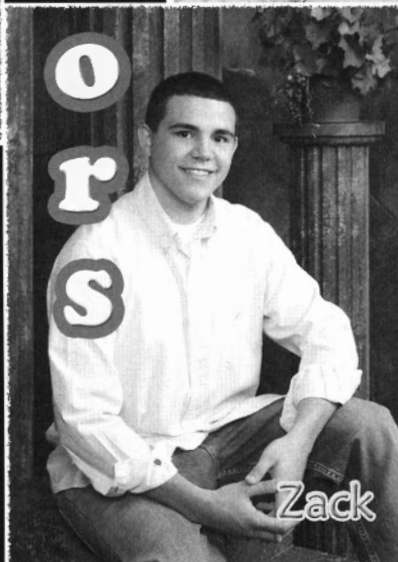
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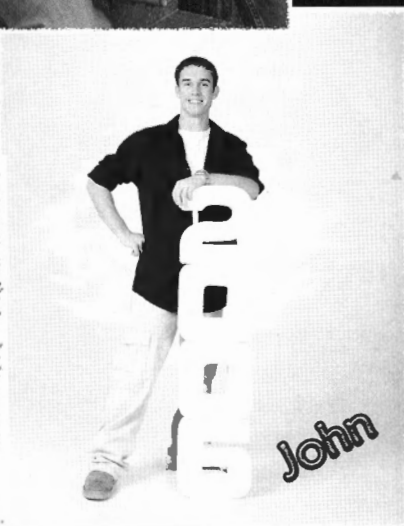
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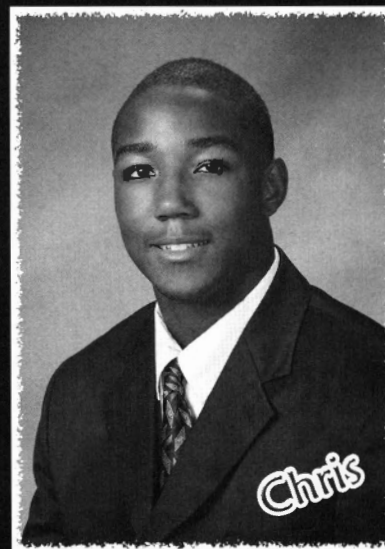
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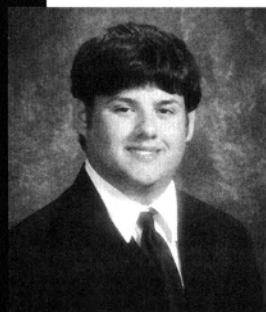
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you health, happiness and success in the  
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Alex,  
Through these school years of yours it  
brings me joy to see what a man you have  
become. I love you with all my heart and  
I want you to always "do your best" for  
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LOVE,  
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many more. We love you and God Bless  
you.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Angela



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Tiffany,  
God has blessed us with such an awe-  
some daughter. We are proud of your  
many accomplishments. Always believe in  
yourself - we certainly believe in you! You  
are so very special to us.  
Love ya kiddo, Mom, Dad and Jason



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Chels,  
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bright-eyed, sweet personality has always  
inspired me to be the best father I could  
be for you. You're the kind of person who  
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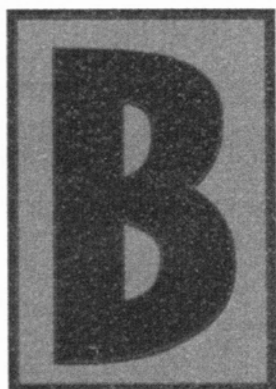
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Brandon,  
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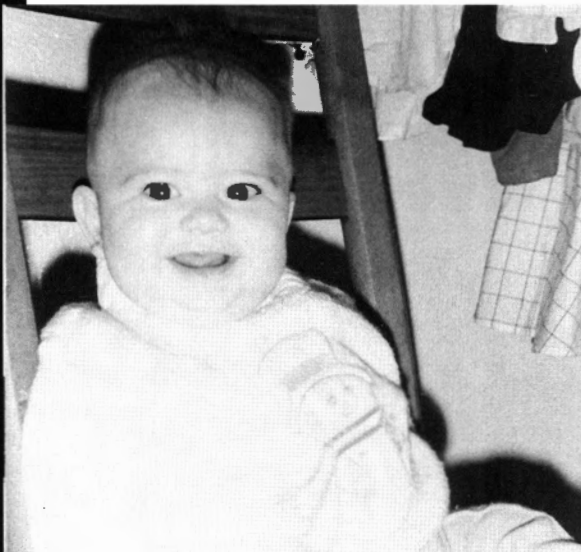




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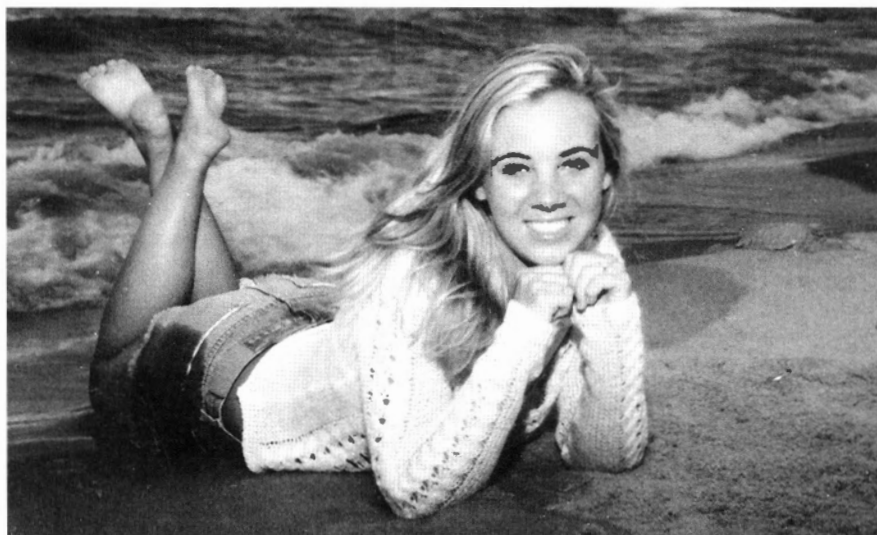
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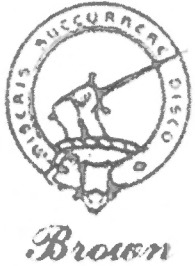
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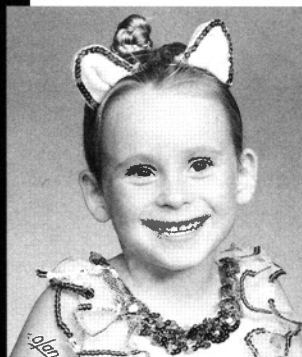
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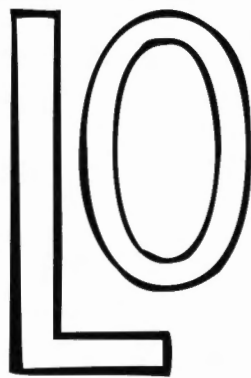
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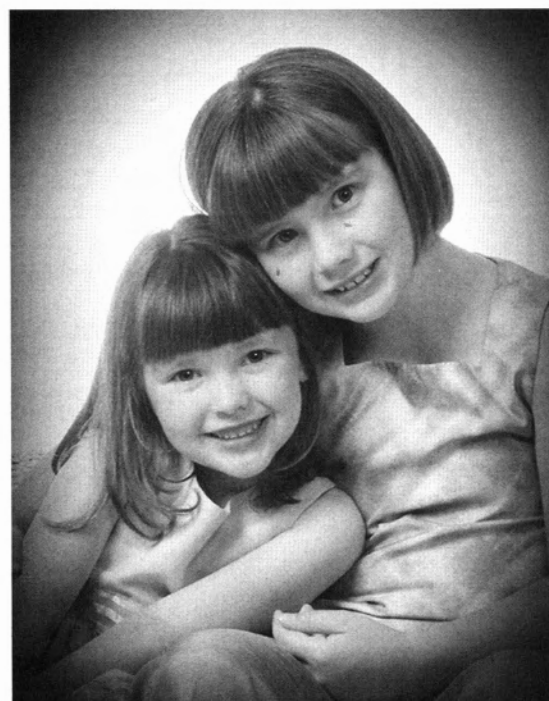
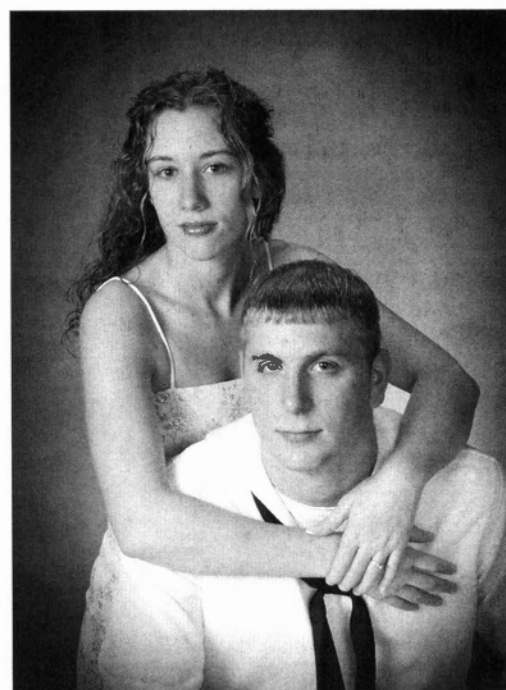
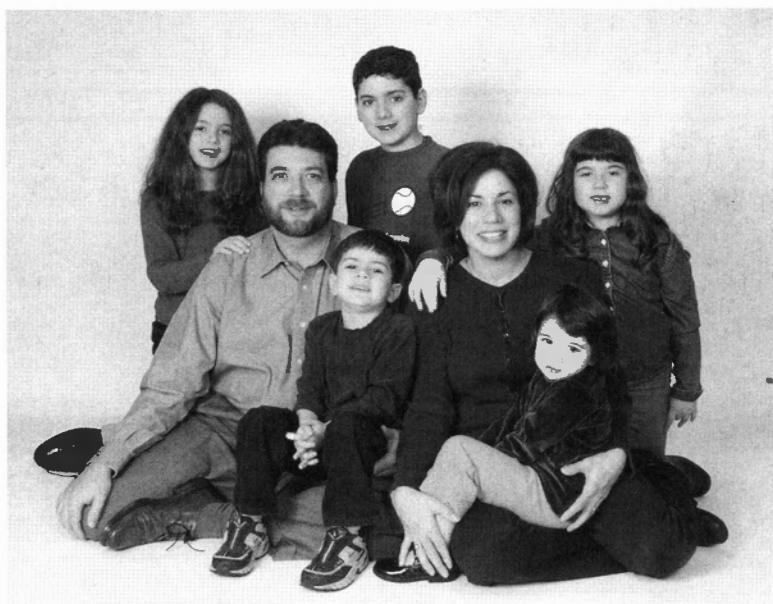
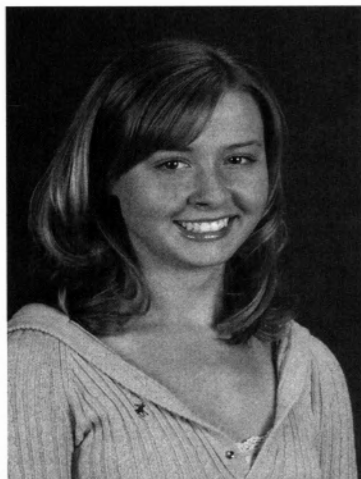


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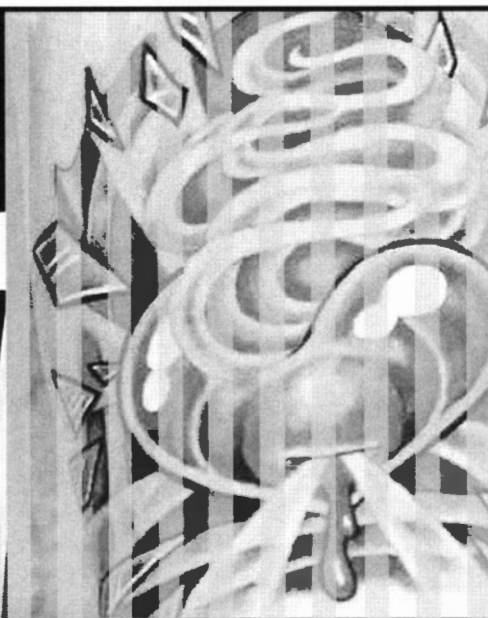
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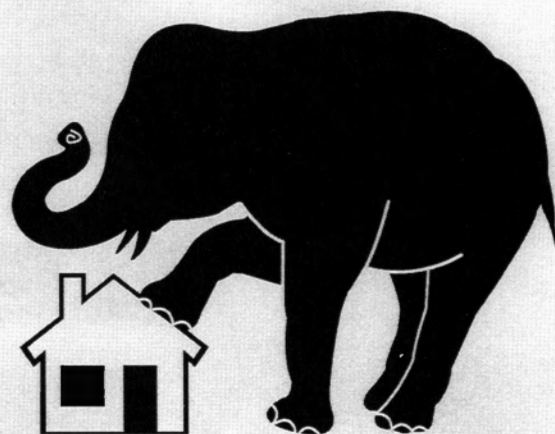
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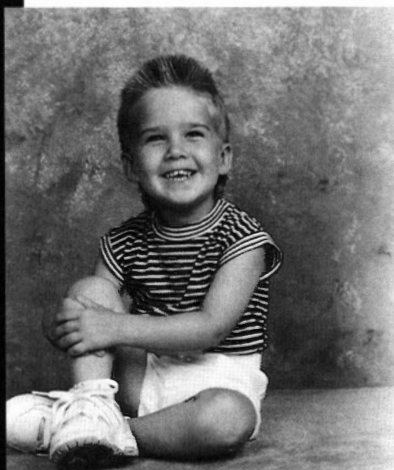
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**Joey  
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Joey,  
You are the light of our lives and we are so grateful to have you as our son. You've never been afraid to be your own person (blue hair and all!) and do what you feel is the right thing-whether popular or not. You are kind, thoughtful, funny and an absolute joy. We couldn't be more proud of you. Please always believe in yourself, trust in God, give your best, and don't let anyone or anything stand in the way of your dreams.

We love you,  
Mom and Dad



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Andrew  
Sharrah

Keep your eyes on He who created you,  
and He will direct your path. We love you  
so much.  
Mom, Dad, John and Caleb.



Stephanie  
Fredline

Steph,  
You are amazing. The world is yours ten-  
nisgirl! Follow your dreams and believe in  
yourself.  
Love,  
Dad, Mom, Allison and Caroline



Beth  
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Bink,  
You have filled us with love and pride  
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your dreams and do what's right. Be the  
leader we know you can be. We are very  
proud of you.  
Love, Mom and Dad



**Kelly  
Hall**

Kelly,  
You are a gift  
from God. You  
have grown up so fast and you touched  
many lives already. Reach for your stars,  
the skies the limit. Know your core, trust in  
those you believe in. Be true to you.  
Love Mom and Dad



**Danielle  
Kingsley**

Dear Danielle,  
Your vivacious spirit and dynamic person-  
ality add spice to our lives. Your unique  
qualities will allow many rare opportunities  
for you in life. We are proud of you (your  
dad would be too).  
Love, Mom and Billy



**Kaylene  
Birdsall**

Kay,  
The first time I laid my eyes on you, I knew  
you were mine right away, and though I  
haven't known how to show it or even had  
the words to say, I write this note to let you  
know how very proud I am of you. I love  
you more than words can say.  
Dad



**Tawni  
Totten**

Tawn,  
We remember your first day of school with  
your pack on your back. We've watched  
you grow, where did the time go? We wish  
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Your confidence and courage,  
Your faith in Christ.....  
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Love,  
Mom, Dad, Julie and Alexis



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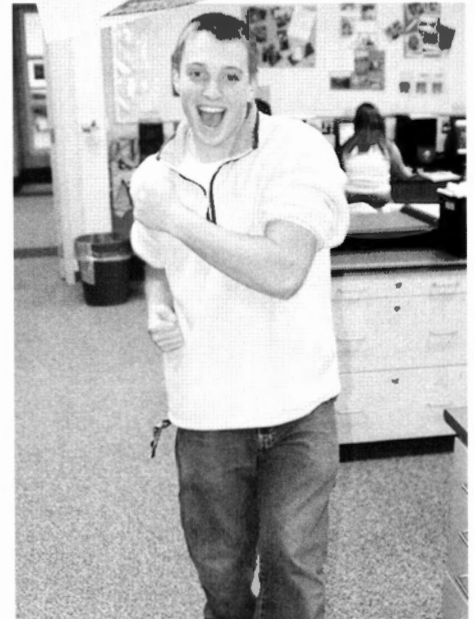
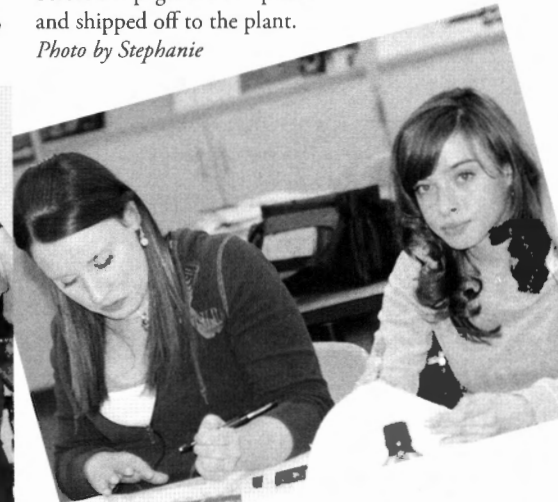
To function properly in year-book staffers need to maintain their energy level to think and run around the school for interviews. Someone came up with an idea for a food cabinet, but that didn't work out as well as planned for a couple of different reasons. The food cabinet then turned into a can return. *Photo by Heather Ungerman*



Messing around after all her work is done senior **Sarah Turner** shows off her dance moves for the camera. Sometimes staffers just need to let loose and have fun. "I try not to take the stress out on other people and try to make other people laugh," said Turner. *Photo by Josh Munyon*

Correcting and editing pages after a deadline sophomores **Kelly Hamelin** and **Trina Rawlinson** give advice from staffers about their pages.

There are many drafts that have to be printed and edited before the pages are completed and shipped off to the plant. *Photo by Stephanie*



Glad that the deadline is finally finished, senior **Josh Munyon** celebrates. "Deadlines are stressfull and when they are done, it feels good just to relax and be crazy," said Munyon. The yearbook staff is a tight knit group and worked well together. *Photo by Kevin Judy*



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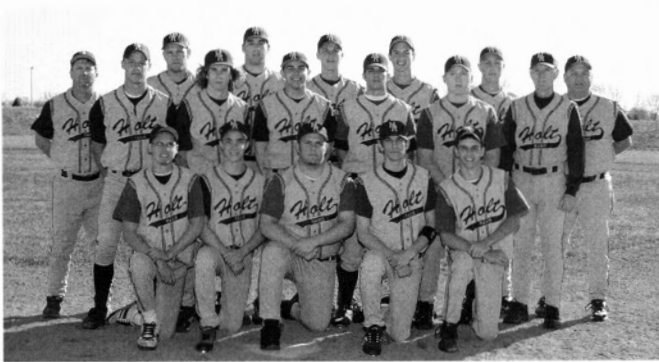
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The funniest thing that ever happed in school was during my first week and I was going down the stairs and I fell."

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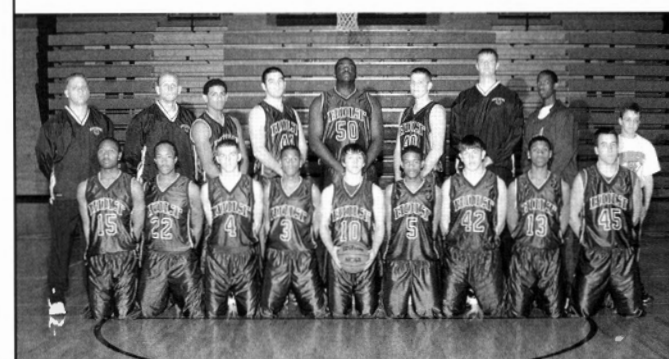
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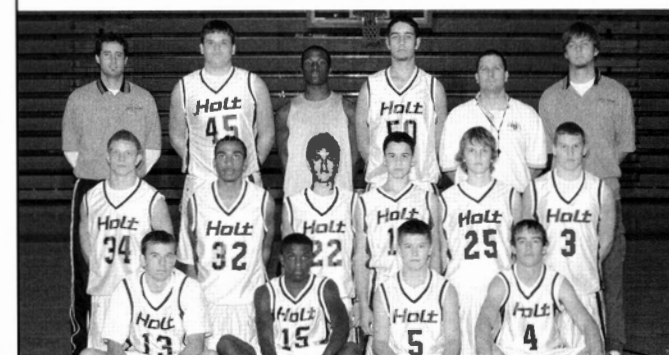
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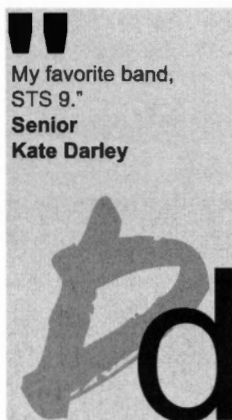
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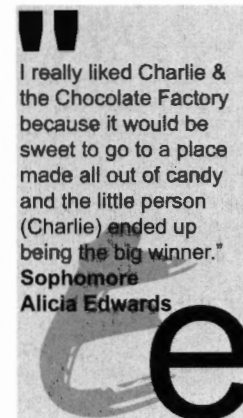
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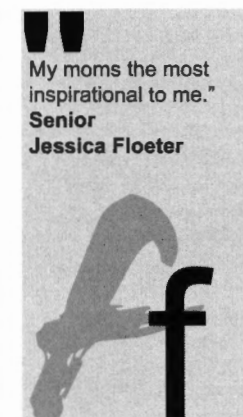
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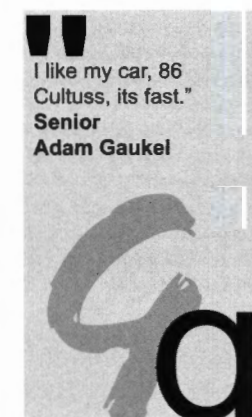
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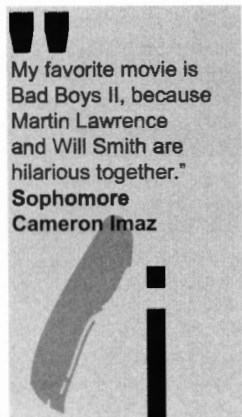


**"I'm really involved in Tech, I like it because they have a lot of really good equipment, and we do well putting on the shows."**  
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**"My favorite movie is Bad Boys II, because Martin Lawrence and Will Smith are hilarious together."**  
**Sophomore**  
**Cameron Imaz**



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**Back Row:** Stephanie Fredline, Catlin Lesperance, Tara Dell, Kirsten Carlson, Maddi Massa, Doug Harkama



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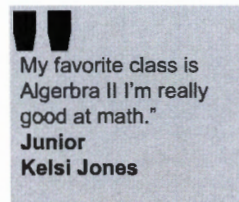
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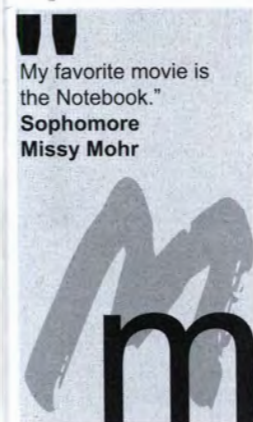
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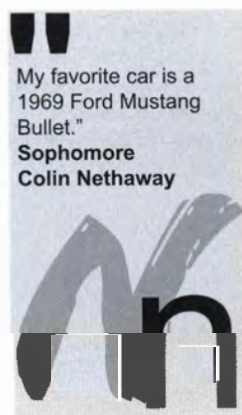
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#### WOMEN'S JUNIOR VARSITY LACROSSE

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**Third Row:** Courtney Noack, Kiersten Danford, Megan DeClerk, Sydney Baylis, Megan Declercq, Staci Sparks, Sam Bailey  
**Back Row:** Erin Brandt, Taylor Parker, Janell Brooks, Janelle Hopkins, Breah Alward, Aleasha Wright



#### MEN'S VARSITY LACROSSE

**Front Row:** Justin Ziegler, Ben Johnides, Drew Wilson, Will Aubuchon, Tyler Lamie, Noah Sreere  
**Second Row:** Greg Rudawski, David Hicok, Stephen Packer, Bobby Becsey, Nick Beason, Nick Batora, Steve Crockett, Ian Thorn  
**Back Row:** Pere Saver, Josh Alton, Chris Purdy, Alex Freeman, Chris Gates, Matt Twomley, Jeff Twonley, Brandon Packer, Cameron Rogers, Mike VanAntwerp





#### MEN'S JUNIOR VARSITY LACROSSE

**Front Row:** Dalton Sweet, Kyle Drake, Ryan Bell, Kevin Mack, Christopher Walsh, Nate Zimmer, Tyler Walsh, Brett Kuprel  
**Second Row:** Craig Wiefelich, Phil Johnson, Chase Everett, Jeremy Rodriguez, Neil Jacobson, Mike Johnson, Mark Tongen, Matr Bowser, Justin Danford, Justin Wilson  
**Back Row:** Steven Vargas, Charles Morrissey, Nate Purdu, Tom Thelen, Dylan Wolfe, Emmitt Kelly, Matt Fisher, Mike Updyke, Josh Norton, Coach Talic



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**Front Row:** Bobby Jo Taylor.  
**2nd Row:** Ashley Stanley, Kim Stafford, Trishia Brubauer, Jessi Whitford, Kaitlin Moule, Krista Kieffer, Alexis Louth, Ivy Klive.  
**Back Row:** Brendan Finnerty, David Hornak, Chelsea Ackerson, Kaityln Warren, Missy Mohr, Jessica Baker, Marris Perry, Emily Ott, Jessica Barner, Matt Trunk.



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**First Row:** Chelsie Rees, Sarah Benson, Nicole Hall, Jessica Merriott, Franny DeJong, Sam Whitford, Margaret Leiby, Bridgette Griffiths, Danielle Couseller  
**Back Row:** Brad Reese, Ashley Schouten, Kelli Hillard, Shanna Page, Kacy Cryderman, Kris Gladstone, Megan Nakfoor, Katy Bryant, Carolyn Pinkney, Jordan Birch, Dorris Pipkins



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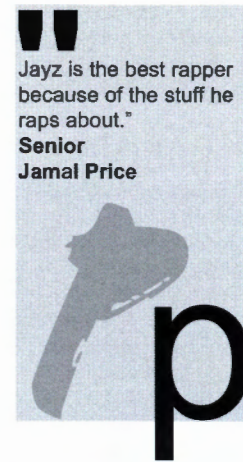
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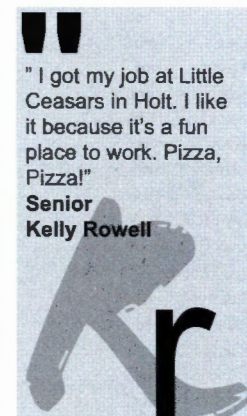
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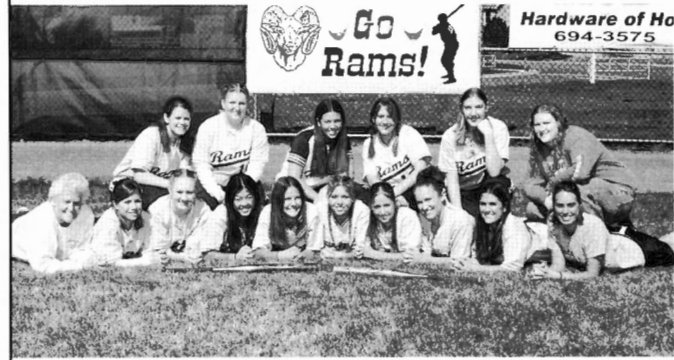
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**First Row:** Tyler Benny, Jerry Lasson  
**Second Row:** Nate Long, Michael Farron, Kevin Barek, James Maier, Dan Wulfekuhler, Matt Howe, Scott Griener  
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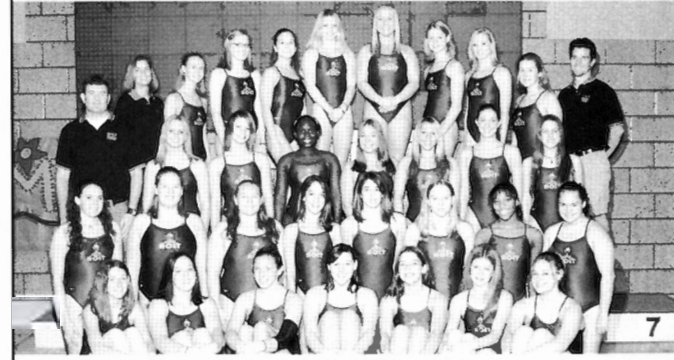
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**Front Row:** Nicole Smith, Laura Mastin  
**Second row:** Allison Briggs, Jacqueline Rendon, Stacey Stanley, Ashley Perales, Danielle Smith, Nicole Stevens, Danielle Ward, Kiera Lietz  
**Back Row:** Craig Huhn, Pat Sommers, Jovonna Quiroga, Jenna Hayes, Sarah Harris, Bethany Allen, Kendra Shafi, Kellie Loomis, Bob Hodges



**WOMEN'S JUNIOR VARSITY SOFTBALL**

**Front Row:** Coach Margo Snivley, Sam Mulder, Brittany Bennett, Abbey Rarick, Katie Wright, Julie Patterson, Katie Jubb, Lindsay Shorna, Kristen Dykema, Coach Jennie Hill  
**Back Row:** Amanda Prange, Dana Hertzfeld, Mollie Ballmer, Melanie Dalton, Elyse Staebell, Amber Currin



**WOMEN'S SWIMMING**

**Front Row:** Angelia Cochran, Maryrose Hillstrom, Kelsey Schooley, Joanne Pohl, Randi Hicok, Chelsey Hicks, Stephanie Jenks  
**Second Row:** Morgan Wilson, Ashley Stasiuk, Rachel Daughenbaugh, Rachel Rademacher, Brittany Nicol, Amber Redding, Andrea Fleming, Mellissa Tallis  
**Third Row:** Josh Smith, Carmen Quinn, Stephanie Zaleski, Kendra Hoskins, Cassandra Meier, Victoria Flores, Kara Brockhaus, Kelsey Daoust  
**Back Row:** Trista Soliz, Lindsey Griener, Erin Conley, Jusrine Kozlina, Sieralyn Campbell, Sami Byer, Lindsey Howley, Tiffany Ziolkowski, Ruth Weismiller, Brent Pohlonski





#### MEN'S SWIMMING

**Front Row:** Matt Morgan, Stuart Henderly, Alex Hoffman, Je Hemmingway, Chuck Gibbs,  
**Second Row:** Toby Heaster, Nathan Robinson, Nathan Menacher, David Warner, Kyle Lucas, Zach Burgess, Danton Thon, Cody Schwem, Kyle Winsor  
**Back Row:** David Snodgrass, Bryan Johnson, Tyler Groskopf, Kirk Gibbs, Andrew Burgess, Paul Pirrotta, David Harris, Mathias Hov, Jacob Hettiger, Jon Hensler, Adam Lucas, Emery Montville, Brent Polonskic, Tristan Soltiz



#### WOMEN'S VARSITY TENNIS

**Front Row:** Abigail Rarick, Alaina Hamlin, Lindsey Konzman, Stephanie Marecki  
**Second Row:** Mollie Ballmer, Megan Massa, Kaitlyn Shaffer, Sam Warner, Becky Polzin, Kendra Shaft, Krista Keiffer  
**Back Row:** Sarrah Harris, Kaitlin Moule, Laura Mastin, Bethany Allen, Jennifer Fisher, Jamie Patterson, Stephanie Fredline, Pat Sommers, Katie Wright



#### WOMEN'S JUNIOR VARSITY TENNIS

**Front Row:** Elizabeth Szerminski, Kelsey Aranbula, Megan Holden, Kirsten Dykema, Jasmine Garza, Sarah Cronister, Elizabeth Tompkins, Carolyn Warren.  
**Second Row:** Anna Megdell, Danielle White, Marissa Perry, Kelly Hamelin, Natalie Marshall, Erin Bondarenko, Lauren Johnson, Erika Stanley, Austin Polakowski, Abby Tebeau.  
**Back Row:** Coach Deb Larner, Ikea Smith, Janell Bondarenko, Caitlin McKee, Elyse Staebel, Karen Thompson, Janelle Hopkins, Heather Allen, Demaris Schaff, Allison Fredline, Val Carr, Ali Korroch, Coach Knoth, Danny Rarick.



#### MEN'S VARSITY TENNIS

**Front Row:** Al Inkla, Collin Jensen, Kyle Lucas, Tyler Vickers, John McGarry, Brandon Currin, Jay Austin, Daniel Casler  
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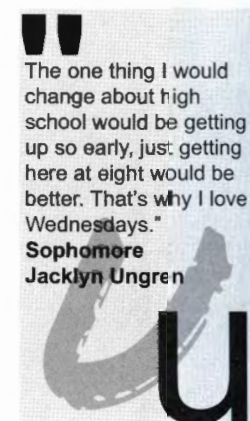
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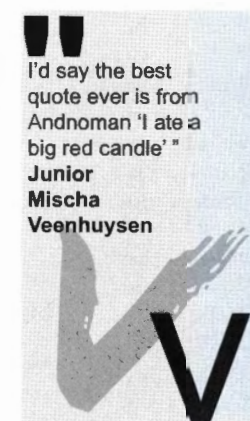
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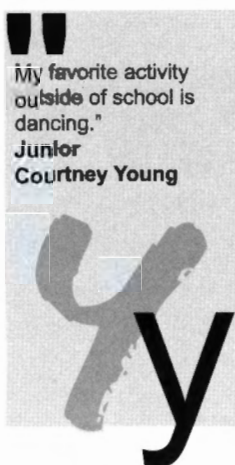
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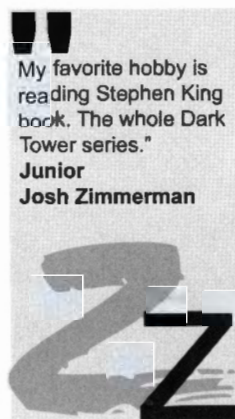
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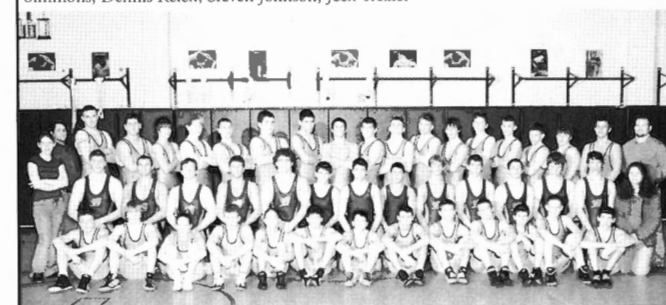
**MEN'S JUNIOR VARSITY TENNIS**  
**Front Row:** Andrew Masarik, Adam Bradford, Josh Webs, Jeremy Troisi, Devin Montague, Joey Spikes  
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**WOMEN'S TRACK**  
**Front Row:** Liz Huber, Rachel Fessenden, Melissa Thompson, Gracie Hillard, Natalie Monette, Teddy Priebe, April Smith, Talitha Taylor  
**Second Row:** Hannah Taylor, Monica Tovar, Jamika Jones, Charlotte Emmons, Christiana Gregory, Ashley Killips, Jenette Killips, Heather Brandenburg, Amy Schinkel, Casey Perry, Chloe Hamilton  
**Back Row:** Emily Lenhard, Jessica Warvel, Nikita Atkins, Erin Fox, Jamie Jones, Megan Mohr, Brittany Graham, Taren Hull, Kourtnei Egger, Nicole Kitsmiller, Michelle Adams, Amy Kruch



**MEN'S TRACK**  
**Front Row:** Danny Zajac, Tyler Holtz, Kyle Chauncey, Myron Knox, Kenny Walker, Ivy Davis, Eric McCullah  
**Second Row:** John Bort, Eric Hillard, Andy Garcia, B.J. Hayes, Josh Williams, Austin Thra-na, Ian Sweet, Antonio Todd, Andy Lamie, Nemanja Lazic, Scott Crawford, Nick Norton  
**Third Row:** Josh Munyon, Mitchell Saxman, Andrew Sharrah, Cayden Bunnell, Tyler Fuller, Matt Corkins, Josh Brayton, Devon Reed, Glenn Briggs, Jeremy Overton, Ryan Bort, Nick Stuble  
**Back Row:** James Bloomquist, Curtis Ferguson, Ben Phinney, Jonathan Graham, Nathan Quebbeman, David Smith, Donnell Murchison, Tim Liles, Mitch Zajac, Jim Hall, Brandon Simmons, Dennis Reich, Steven Johnson, Josh Trexler



**MEN'S WRESTLING**  
**Front Row:** Kyle Strauch, Dan Blodgett, Chelsea Jupin, Evan Myers, Travis Marshall, Chaz King, Corey Leonard, Ricky Cotton, Charlie Scavarda, Justin Estee, Bobby Trudgeon, Josh McPhee, Dustin Miller  
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# BALANCED

by Kacie Dittenber

Between the fire alarms going off at random times, preparing for final exam week, finding the perfect outfits to wear for Spirit Week, having an after school job and tons of homework, life can seem pretty stressful. That's why it's important to find a way to achieve a certain balance between the crazy chaotic moments and staying on task and being organized.

It is not necessary to completely take out all of the chaotic moments; life just wouldn't be the same without them. Twice a year the whole student body gets to attend the pep assembly. They are always fun and are a time where all the students can get involved and be crazy. The assemblies take a lot of planning and organization so that everything will go smoothly. Yet moments like the Tug of War contest when the seniors tried to trick the teachers in order to get them to fall down made it chaotic.

In the end it's important to note that as senior Chelsie Rees put it, "organization is something everyone needs. But you also need the chaotic moments or else life would be boring." Although the year was a struggle, in the end there was an ultimate balance between the chaos and the need for organization.

**Getting pumped up for the game** is the Men's Varsity Basketball team. While the starting line up is being announced the team huddles together and gets in the mood to play some ball. The men's varsity team made it to the playoffs again this season. *Photo by Brooke Darling*







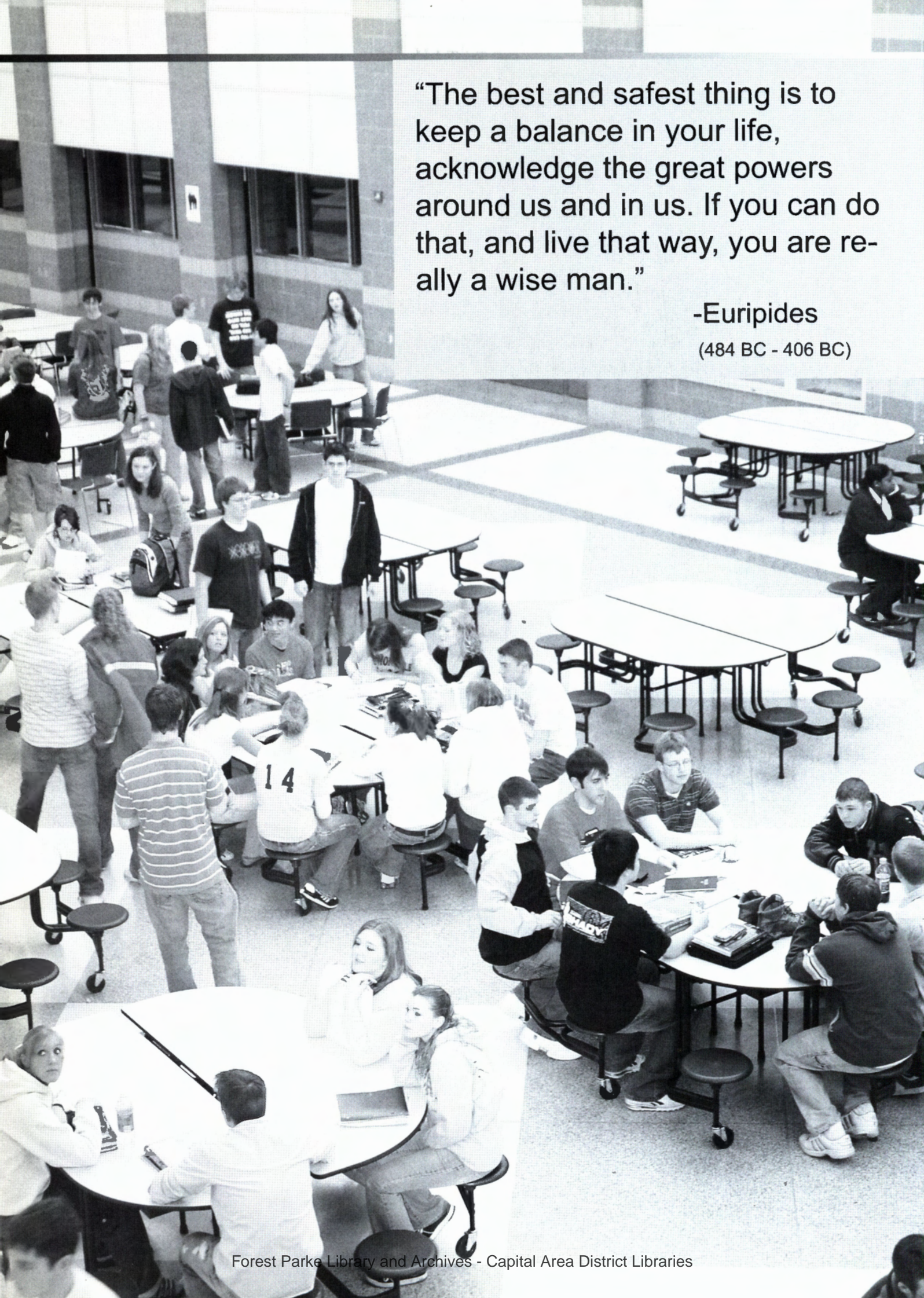
**With feet bare and muscles** straining the sophomore class tries to defeat the juniors in a game of Tug of War. This year during Winterfest student council came up with the idea of having a Tug of War contest between the grades and the teachers. The teachers ended up defeating the seniors and winning. *Photo by Brooke Darling*

**Talking strategy for the girls** Powder Puff football game where it was the seniors vs. the juniors is the junior team. The seniors won the game in overtime making the final score 18-12. *Photo by Meagan Woodworth*



**Marching into the gymnasium** before a meet are sophomore gymnasts **Brittany Enos**, junior **Alyse Siedelberg**, junior **Elizabeth Sierminkski**. The girls gymnastics team went undefeated in their 2005-06 season. *Photo by Justine Kozlina*





“The best and safest thing is to keep a balance in your life, acknowledge the great powers around us and in us. If you can do that, and live that way, you are really a wise man.”

-Euripides

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