

What
we're
about

Chieftain 2003

Infiltrate the Portress Outer Heaven!
Destroy Metal Gear!
Eat Meat Sandwiches!!!

Jared Hull
MFM



Hey,
Hope you had
a great year.
Stay cool keep in
touch. 614-0836
superking25@yahoo.com
thedawg806@yahoo.com
-Matt Chan

Sorry I
haven't got
anything clever to
say like all
these people!
;-) Heather
Stubs

Tom
Fisher

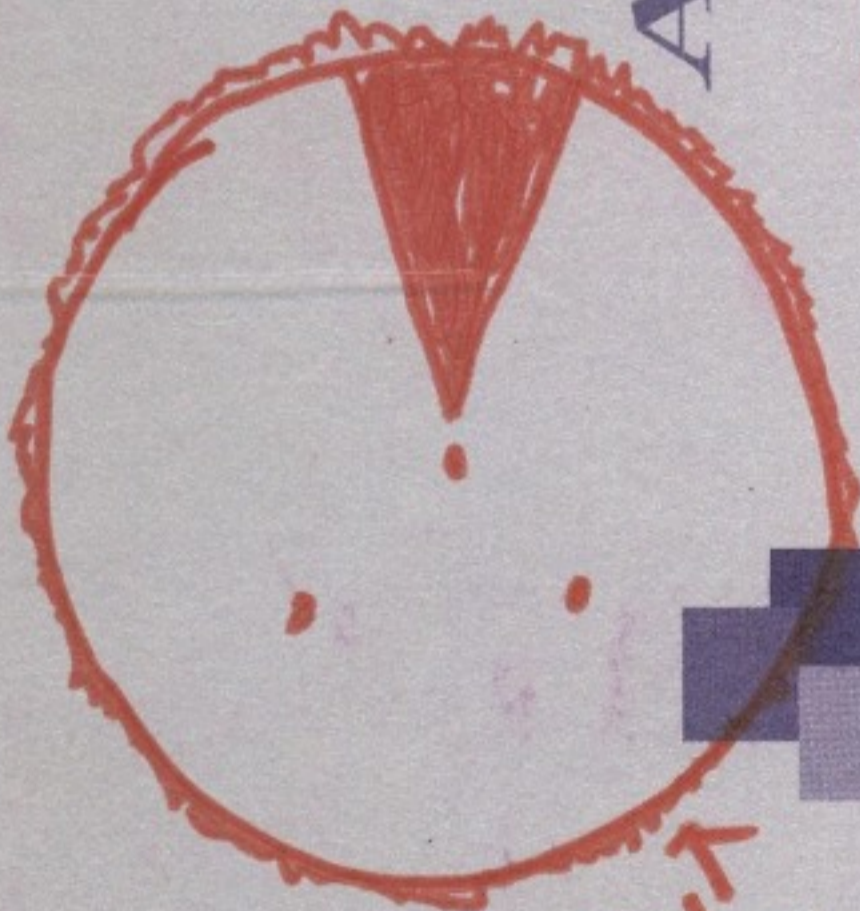
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I love ya.
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Pemis

Julian
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Student Life
LIFE.
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Academics
SUCCESS.
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Alaina
Garcia

Sex's great
when there's
me



Activities
DEVOTION.
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Love Ya
DICK
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Margeaux
(MARGO)
IT WAS GREAT HAVING
YOU IN CLASS THIS YEAR.
Have a Super Summer
P.K. [Signature]

Hey
Have a great summer
see you later
Travis

Sammie
291-9197
What

Boobies

we're

about

Boobs R Cool!
Tony

hey hunnie,
it was great getting
to know you this
year. ya know you're
a beautiful, wonderful
person. Love you!
~Yieki '04

Son of
Hell
Sports

TRUMP.

Love ya
lots
Michelle #502-2286
Fillins

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Love Brenda

Yo Gurl
Sup I'm glad your
my friend
dont talk to me
No more do you
I have one friend
count on well H.A.H.H.
Shannan Simpson
call me sometime
291-1152.

INDIVIDUALITY.

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What is up.
I am going
to miss you. if you
call me if you
need to talk
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Love always
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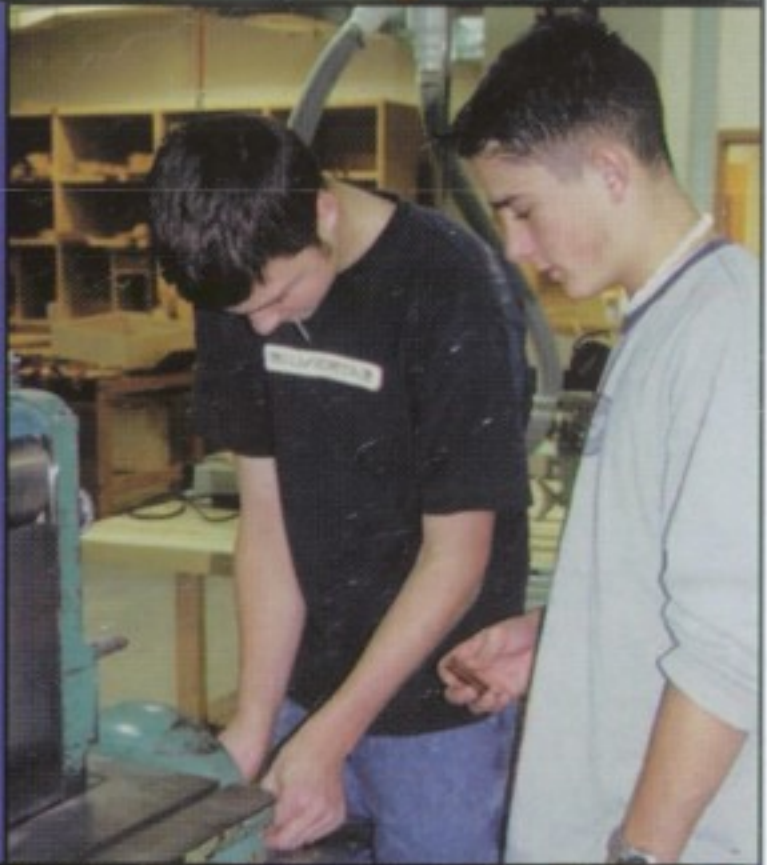
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cool having 1st hour
with you, I hope I
see you next year.
Have a Great Summer!
-Angel-

Ads

COMMUNITY.

Hey
what?
This year was
fun see ya over
the summer maybe
we all can hangout
together
Stephen
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Bellevue East High School

What we're about

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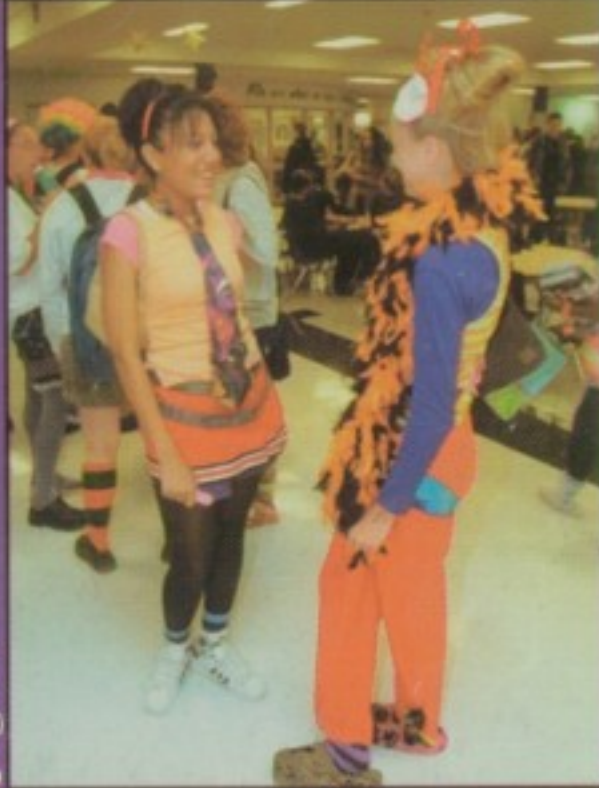
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As the days at the pool and late nights out came to an end, we got ready to begin the school year again. For some it was a completely new environment, for others it was a second home.

We started the **LIFE** of a high school student that we dreaded all summer, having to manage our time to get everything done.

Even with the ACT on one shoulder and being on time to class on the other, we still managed to get through the year. The 17 new staff members, new classes, and technology helped us and aided in the **SUCCESS** of our school, especially our academic programs.

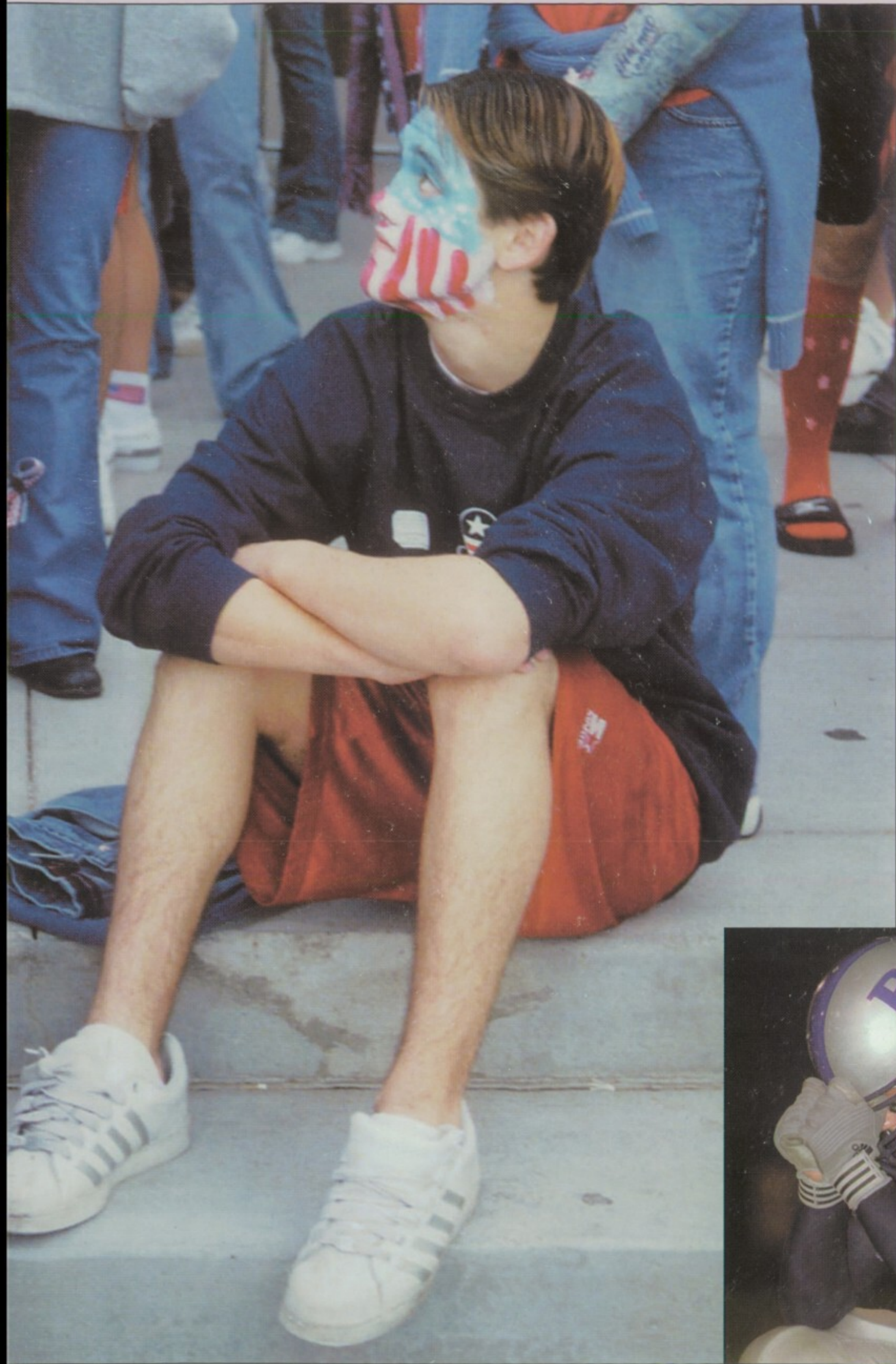
Along with new classes, 3 new activities were added, including the first ever Women's Quiz Bowl. Our band also showed its **DEVOTION** when they placed at competitions in the fall.

The **TRIUMPH** of the varsity softball and junior varsity football teams reminded us what we could do, even against the odds.

With the help of Homecoming, we showed off our **INDIVIDUALITY** in new and different ways. Along with our personalities changing throughout high school, the Bellevue **COMMUNITY** continued changing for the better, making our lives better, too.

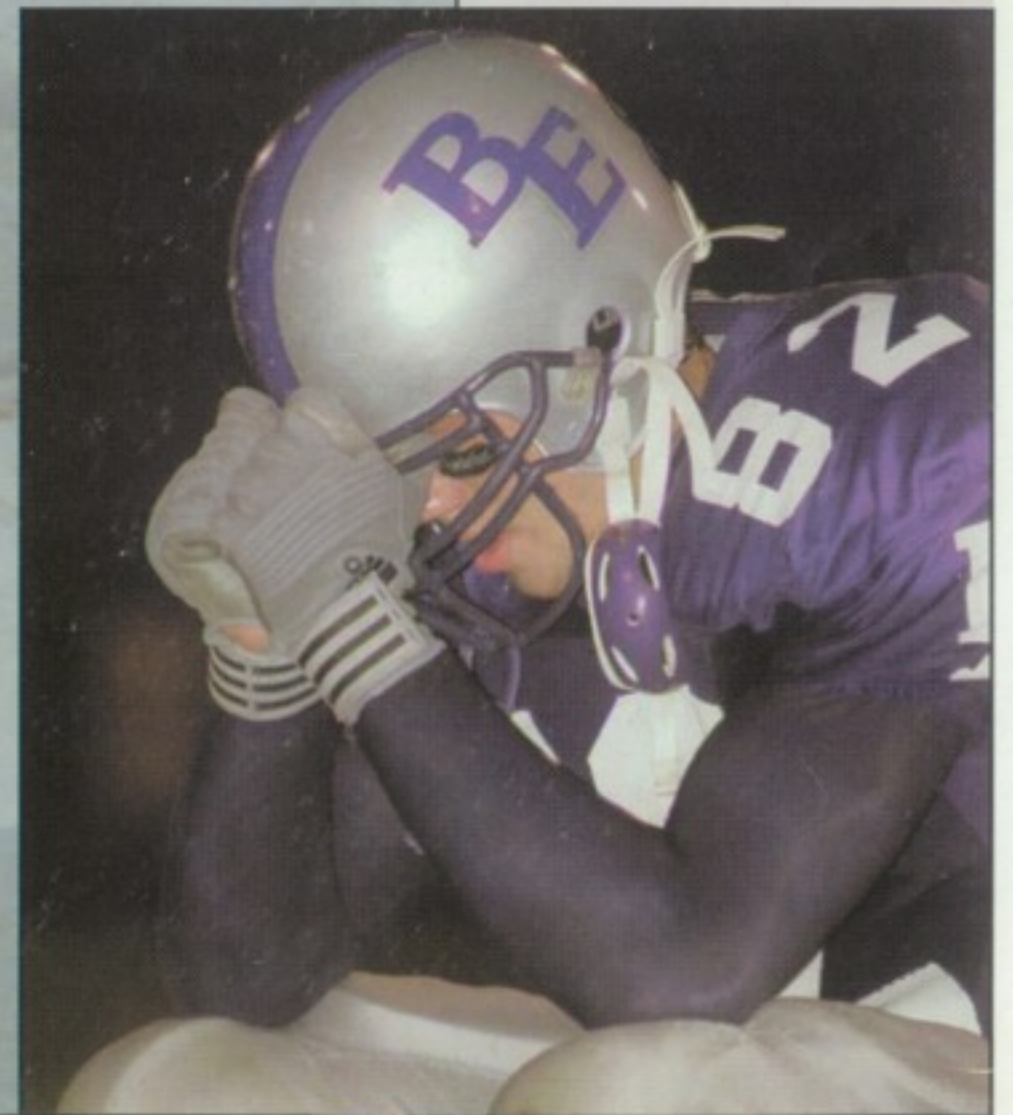
So as the year began and opportunities arose, we were given the chance to show

WHAT WE'RE ABOUT



At the flag raising on September 11th, senior Barry Bland shows his spirit by painting his face. Every student had an individual way of showing their spirit, junior Jessie Watson wore a dress made out of flags that ended up winning the spirit competition held by Student Council.

After the varsity football team's loss to Bellevue West, senior Matt Senske takes a moment to reflect. The game was lost in overtime, leaving the score 16-13.



Life.

Circling the parking lot for 30 minutes and ending up on the grid anyway- that's life. Getting up in the morning and having nothing to wear- that's life. Meeting friends at the same restaurant every Friday night- that's life. Both in and out of school, we were faced with such matters of life every day.

Regardless of our responsibilities during school, once the 3:10 bell rang, were let out to lead our own lives. We rushed from practice to work, finished our homework, saved 30 minutes before curfew to see a significant other, and still managed to get to the store and buy the snacks for the next day's French club meeting.

Most of us did this every day while still managing to have a life on the weekends. With all the new businesses that popped up, we found it easier to get jobs and make money, and at the same time, we had more cool places to hang out.

To a lot of people, we were just high school students who didn't know the real meaning of stress. We only cared about seeing the newest movie and wearing something purple on Fridays. True, we may not have known a lot, but between our activities, jobs, and friends, we knew we had a

LIFE.



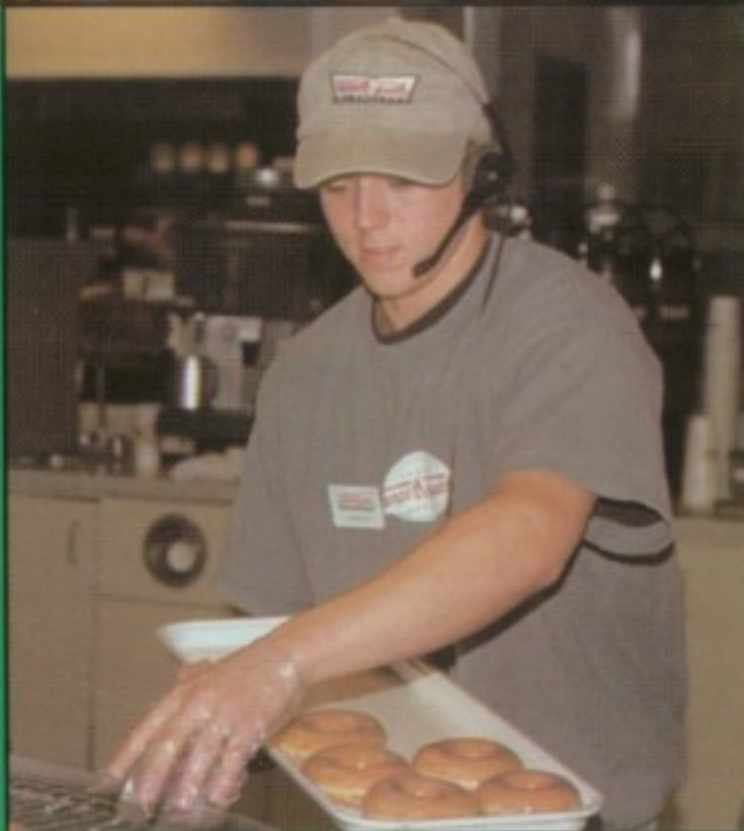
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After school sophomore Josh Williams skateboards. It became very popular, but students were forced to go to parks in town when the school stopped allowing skating on the property.

Tradition is Alive

Spirit and pride are shown

Tradition was a thing of its own. It was apparent throughout every inch of Bellevue East's campus. Many things were added each year to show the spirit of students.

For example, every graduating class added a special something dedicated to the school to make East more complete. In past years, things like the Chieftain head and wall mural in the lower commons were added, as were the quotes upon the walls of East. All of these things were evidence of tradition.

"Tradition is important. If it weren't here, we wouldn't know what to exactly follow up on," senior **Barry Bland** said.

One tradition Bellevue East had was school spirit. It was brought out by our mascot, Charlie the Chieftain.

"Charlie's the best. He makes games and pep rallies a lot more fun," sophomore **Jackie Adams** said.

In addition to Charlie, senior **Stattin Yates** also dressed up as a Chieftain for games and pep rallies.

"I show my school spirit to show everyone the pride I have and the pride that they don't have," Yates said.

The student body at East made up the tradition that was seen everywhere, and school spirit made everything

exciting and fun. Not only did the spirit make everything a blast, but the students who actually put it out there made tradition great.

New social studies teacher **Jill Bakewell** was impressed with East's traditions and school spirit.

"This is my first year at Bellevue East, and I am amazed at how much students show their spirit," Bakewell said.

Certain teams and groups at East also had their own traditions

"Coach Lovell has the varsity players sit and sort of meditate before school on the game days," sophomore **Kevin Johnson** said.

Freshmen **Alex Cherubin** said, "The band always does the ritual of Eyes With Pride. It's really important that we do it."

Bellevue East wouldn't have been the same without these traditions and rituals put out by the student body. No matter how recent or how long ago they were formed, tradition played a huge role with spirit and pride at East.

Junior **Nikki Whitehead** said, "School spirit and students aren't interchangeable. Without students, you wouldn't have spirit; without spirit, you can't have tradition to build on."

"I show my school spirit to show everyone the pride I have and the pride that they don't have."



Burgundy, Ohio



Hannah Chandler

Outside by the flag pole, junior **Paul Pollak** bows his head to commemorate September 11th. Many students joined Pollak as they remembered what happened exactly one year ago.

Seniors **Micayla Holtmeyer**, **Melissa Ferguson**, **Michelle Johnson**, **Kesha Miller**, **Alyssa Berg**, and **Vanessa Tiell** get into the spirit at the East vs. West football game. East ended up losing the game 17-13.



Michael Crum

Seniors Lauren Harre, Jaime Whitcomb, Hannah Chandler, Statten Yates, Jon Jameson, and sophomore Pat Carr tailgate before the Westside game. Yates organized a barbecue before every home game, grilling hotdogs and hamburgers.

Do you think tradition is a big part of school spirit?

84% said... *Yes*

16% said... *No*



Students filled out this survey during homeroom



Joey Anderson

Senior Zack Zimmer wears his outfit for a Student Council contest on Crazy Day. Many students dressed up for each day of spirit week.



Andrew Batis

Senior cheerleaders and football players sing and dance together at the East vs. West pep rally. Many activities, including Bellevue East Idol, were held for a Homecoming court contest.

Profile: One of the many behind the mascot, Patrick Carr



- *SOPHOMORE
- *WAS THE BELLEVUE EAST MASCOT, CHARLIE THE CHIEFTAIN
- *WHY HE LIKED BEING IN THE MASCOT: **"It's really fun to be in it because I get to make everyone laugh. Since everyone likes Charlie, it's cool that people know I am one of the guys in the suit."**
- *WHAT'S A PERK OF BEING CHARLIE: **"When I'm in the mascot suit, I feel hot."**

After school, freshmen Tony Baker and Katina Mantzaris get close to talk about an important issue. Students didn't have much time between passing periods to talk, so they took time before and after school.

Dating means...

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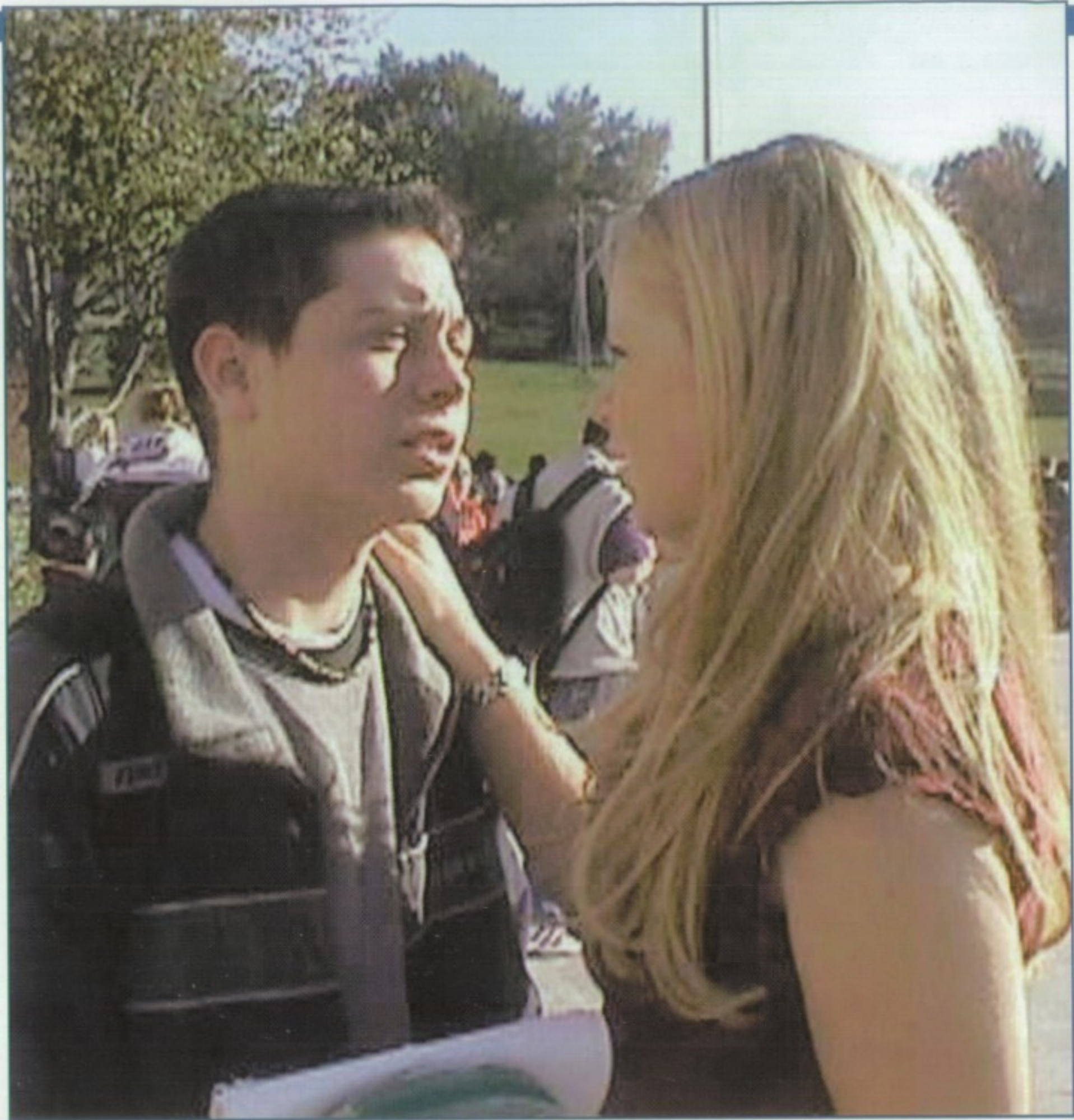
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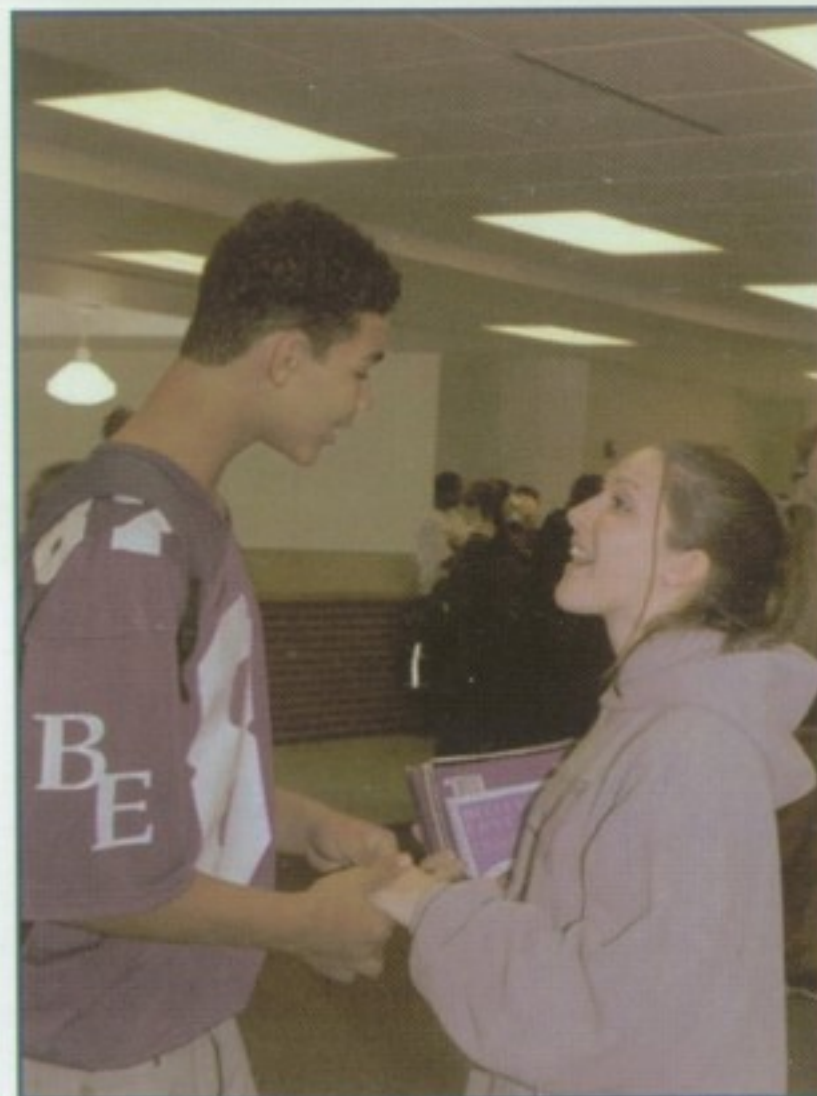
What are good qualities for a relationship?



Abby Nye 11

"Trust and you need to have something in common. My boyfriend Jon and I have a lot in common."

"You have to be yourself and say what you feel."



Nikole Slotter

Waiting in the upper commons before class, freshman Jake Cunningham and sophomore Brittney Blakeley hold hands. Many couples went there to talk, show affection, and hang out.



Nikole Slotter

Sophomores Scott Adams and Amanda Nelson talk at their locker after a class. Couples often met at each other's lockers to talk before and after classes and school.

Juniors Mike Cook and Laura Davis have been together for two years. Many couples lasted for a couple of weeks, but some people got lucky and found long lasting relationships.

Senior couple Ryan Martinez and Micayla Holtmeyer stand at their locker before school. Many couples came together before school to talk about things in their lives.



Sara Woolery



Nicole Stokar

Loving 'til the End

Students find love early

A light touch on your face, a gaze into your eyes, then the words you've been waiting to hear: "Will you go out with me?"

Sounds romantic, but not all couples got together in such a picture-perfect way.

Juniors **Sean DeBuhr** and **Jessie Watson's** story had a humorous touch.

Watson said that DeBuhr knelt down next to her car and asked her if she liked his earrings. Watson laughed and said that she did. Then he asked her if she would be his girlfriend.

"I said yes, but I felt really bad because I was laughing at his question about the earrings," Watson said.

Watson told DeBuhr that she didn't believe in kissing and no one could know that they were dating.

"He thought I was serious and said that it was fine," Watson said. "Of course I was just kidding."

Other couples, like seniors **David Watson** and **Randi Gaston**, got together by phone. When they attended different schools in eighth grade, Gaston started calling Watson about once a month.

"I looked forward to her phone calls," Watson said. "She started to call more often, and I became anxious to hear her voice."

Although they spoke on the phone, neither one of them actually made an official decision about their relationship.

"People asked if David and I were going out," Gaston

said. "I really never denied it."

Junior high hook-ups like Watson and Gaston's weren't uncommon.

Freshman couple **Tony Schuster** and **Dannie Marrow** also started going out in eighth grade.

For Marrow, making the decision to date Schuster wasn't difficult.

"He has such a great personality," Marrow said. "He is also very good-looking, and he has great

style."

Things weren't so simple for every couple.

Juniors **Mike Cook** and **Laura Davis** started going out when they were still dating other people.

"We had a 'secret' relationship that no one knew about, not even the people we were going out with," Davis said.

Cook said that he and Davis were friends and hung out together all the time.

Cook said, "We are best friends, and we have a lot in common with each other."

All high school couples had a story. Whether humorous or scandalous, each one was unique and special to the couple.

"We are best friends, and we have a lot in common with each other."

Time for the Glamour

Getting ready for New York

Each year we came to the fun-filled week of spirit that lead to the experience of Homecoming. And every year the girls spent endless hours for that one night of glistening glamour while the guys got their tuxes and went.

Most girls had a horror story about finding the right dress, getting their hair done, or not getting ready until the last minute. But for sophomore **Amanda Heim**, this wasn't the case.

"My hair was right, I felt pretty, my date was awesome, and I just had the perfect magical night," Heim said.

Girls made or had fun with the night. Most didn't get to primp that often, so they looked forward to opportunities like Homecoming.

"I don't know why I like getting dressed up so much," senior **Heather Durden** said. "I guess it's those little memo-

ries you get from way back when."

For guys it was different. With a squirt of gel, a run of the fingers, and a rented tux, they were basically ready to go. With these simple preparations, guys were free to enjoy their beautiful dates, dinner, and the dance.

"I don't understand why girls take so long to get ready for Homecoming," junior **Andy Kaup** said, "but they definitely look nice afterwards."

But while students worried about getting ready, the Student Council took on their own

duty. They transformed the cafeteria for a whole night, decorating it to fit the theme New York Nights.

"It was hard work putting everything together with limited time," Student Council sponsor **John Campbell** said, "but Student Council was outstanding and accomplished what needed to be done."

"I don't understand why girls take so long to get ready for Homecoming."

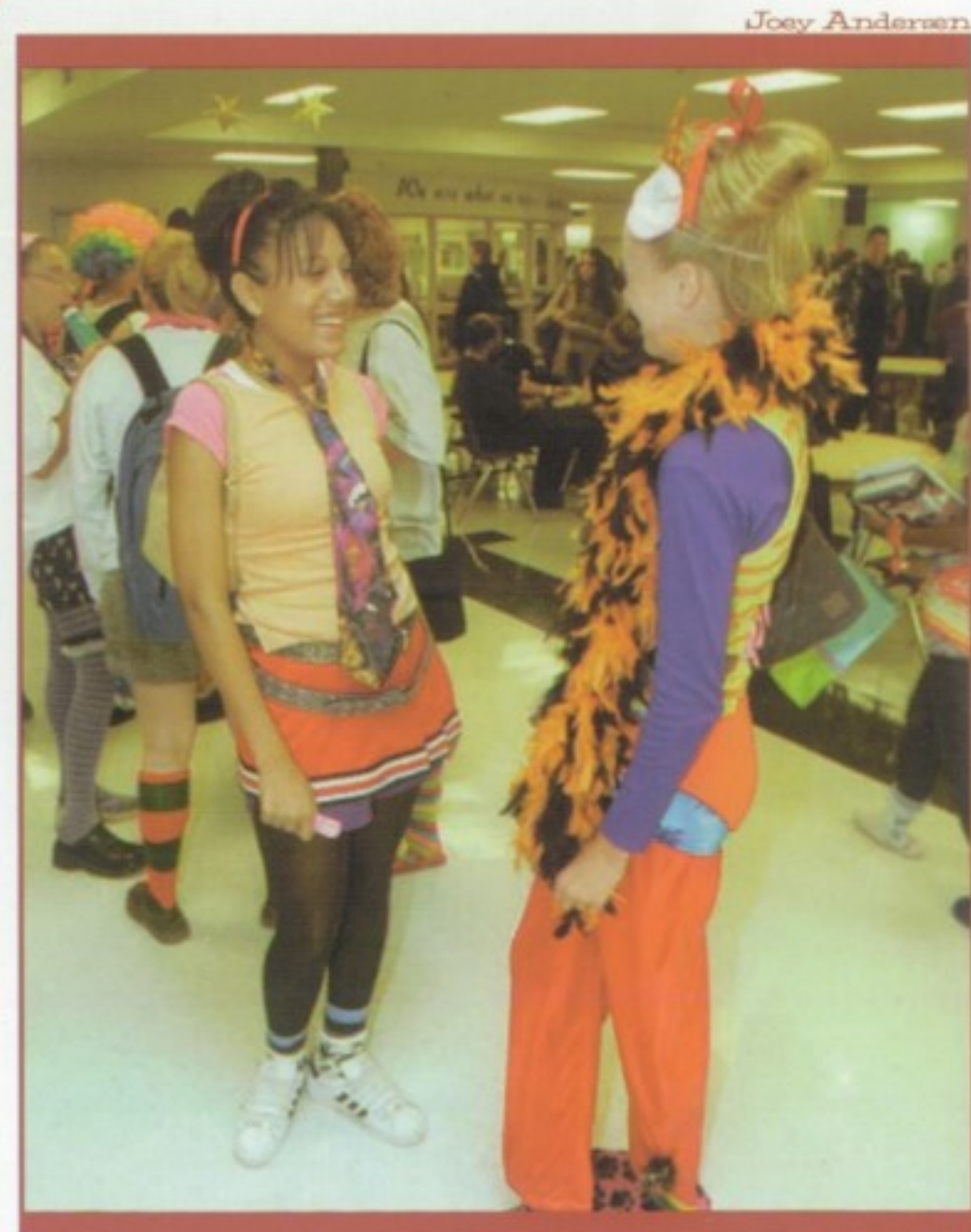
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At halftime of the Homecoming game vs. Omaha North, senior **John Kumor** receives the crown from senior **Adam Brunner** as senior **Matt Senske** looks on. Since last year's king **Aaron Brunner** wasn't available to give the crown away, his brother crowned Kumor for him.

During Spirit Week, sophomores **Ashley Loudd** and **Kelly Frye** show off their crazy outfits. Spirit week was when students tried to be as sleepy, crazy, patriotic, Greek, or spirited as they could possibly be.



Joey Andersen

Homecoming court members **Blake Yount** and **Vanessa Tiell** walk onto the football field as they are introduced. There were five senior girls and five senior boys on the Homecoming court.





Joey Andersen

Drinking her water, junior Andrea Deegan is dressed up for Crazy Day. Many students went all out for the days during Homecoming Spirit Week.

During the Homecoming pep rally, seniors Eric Nielson and Calah Friend sing a love song together. At the pep rally, the Homecoming court competed against each other to see who the best singers were.



Nikola Sliotar

TOP 10

Places to go eat on Homecoming.

- 10 Taco Bell
- 9 Garden Cafe
- 8 Amarillo
- 7 China Road
- 6 Olive Garden
- 5 Applebee's
- 4 Chili's
- 3 Outback Steakhouse
- 2 Macaroni Grill
- 1 Kobe Steakhouse

Students filled out this survey during homeroom.

Profile: Homecoming Queen Raquel Crewe



- * SENIOR
- * BORN APRIL 19, 1985
- * WANTS TO ATTEND HAMPTON UNIVERSITY IN HAMPTON, VIRGINIA
- * WHAT SHE THOUGHT OF WINNING HOMECOMING QUEEN: **"I was really suprised. The whole court was great, and I think that we all deserved it."**
- * RAQUEL'S TAKE ON HOMECOMING KING JOHN KUMOR: **"He's a cool guy. He is such a nice person and an all around genuine guy."**

TOP

Trends of the school year...

- 5 Fake nails
- 4 Hollister clothing
- 3 Cell phones
- 2 Ecko brand
- 1 Lucky brand

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What trends are here to stay?



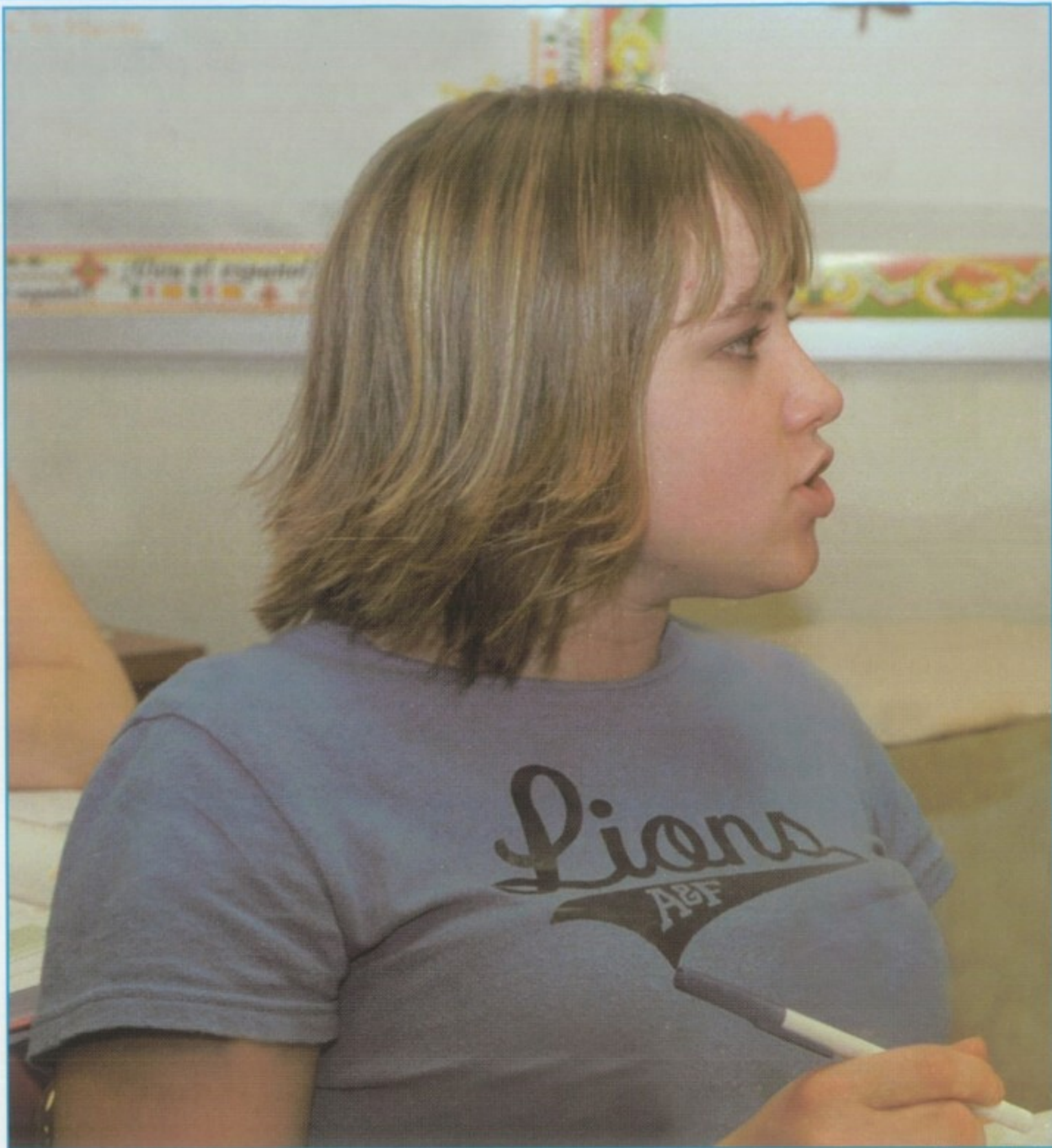
Mike Lynn, 11

"Soeks and sandals, like what I wear."



Sarah Bezy, 11

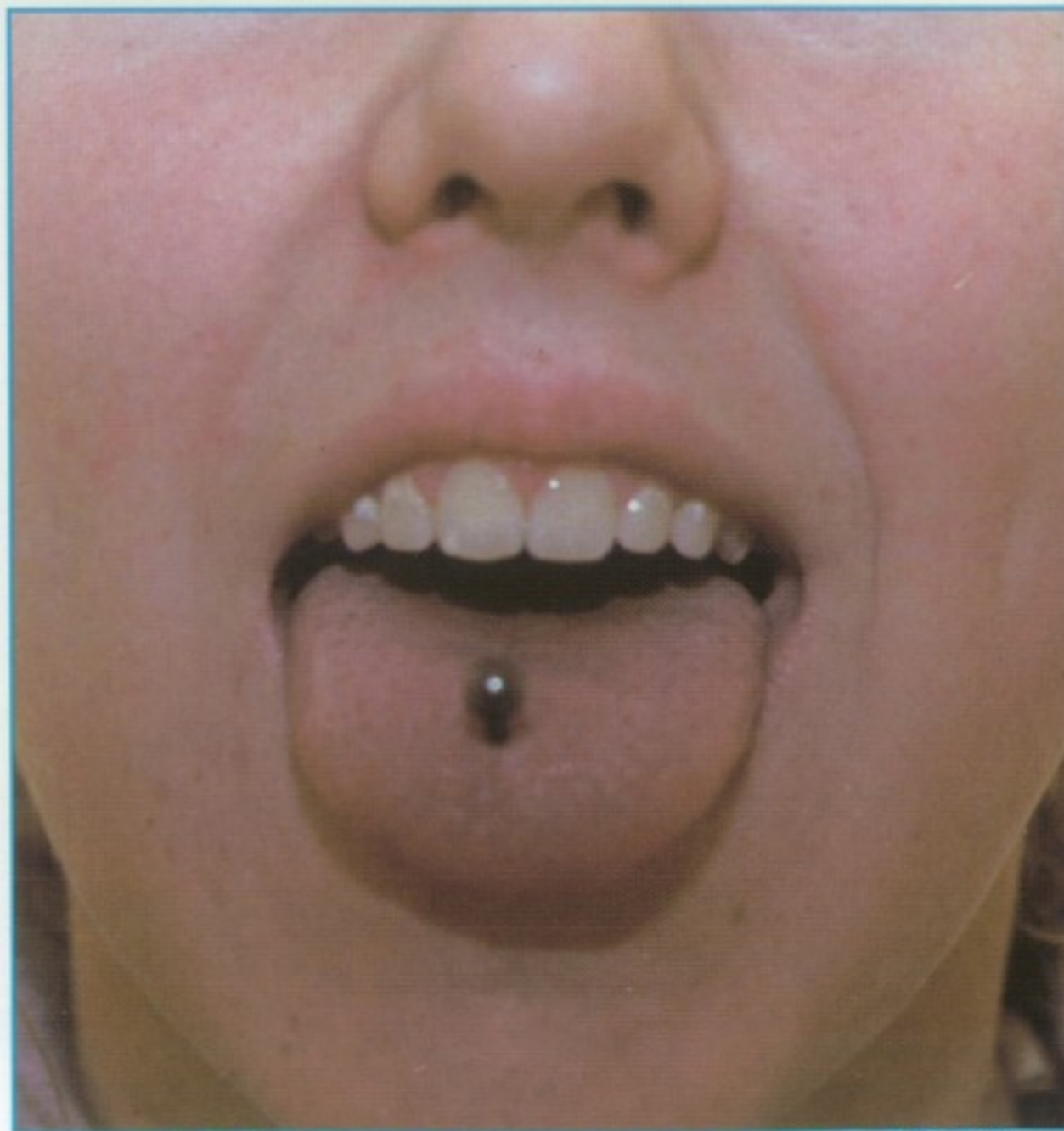
"Hoodies are here to stay because they are really comfortable and popular."



Nikole Slotter

During Spanish class, junior Amanda McConnell shows off her blonde highlights. Many students had highlighted hair, with colors ranging anywhere from blonde to green.

Sophomore Thia Armstrong sticks out her tongue to show her tongue ring. Tattoos, piercings, and colored hair were extreme fads this year.



Nikole Slotter

Wearing the Style

New trends and fashions made

Walking down the hallways every day at Bellevue East gave everyone a chance to see what fashion sense we students at East had. From cell phones to stylish clothing, we saw it all.

"I have my own style, just like an individual should," senior **Sheena Hill** said.

Whether a student wore all black or had a preppy style, it was always welcome.

Students always had a way to have fun with fashion. They kept it low-key but crazy in their own way.

"I think that what you wear should only be because you like it, not just because it supposedly is in style," sophomore **Mindy Winkler** said.

Most students tried not to care about what they wore every day, but this was easier said than done. When given the choice to go with the flow and not be picked on or to go against it and be picked on, the choice was easy. Dressing like others just seemed to make things easier.

"Yes, I do think that it is a big issue on how you dress," senior **Lloyd Valdez** said, "but everyone has their own

style, but it doesn't seem like people actually care."

Some of the styles this year were quite memorable. For instance, hip-huggers, hoodies, long, highlighted hair, and those famous Doc Marten's were only a few of the fashions seen throughout the year.

"Sweats and probably hoodies were on top of the list of my choice for the best fashion," freshman **Danielle Lash** said.

“Everyone has their own style, but it doesn't seem like people actually care.”

The good thing about East students was that even though we made trends and most were made to follow, students chose their own individual style. The focus wasn't always on style, so this made it easier for students just to be themselves every day and not be masked with clothing.

Hill said, "I like to be in style, of course I do, but I realized through my four years that it just isn't worth it."

So whether you had your own style or fashion, it was good to have fun and just be unique.

"Different fashions for different people," sophomore **Ed McCaskill** said. "That's just what made us up."

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Jessica Brown



Nikole Sloter

Junior **Ashley Hairston** talks on her cell phone during the East vs. Omaha Burke game. Cell phones were a very popular accessory among students this year.

Sophomore **Mindy Winkler** shows off her acrylic nails for her friends. Many Bellevue East girls had acrylic nails to make their hands look more glamorous.



Senior Ricky Burgess works in customer services at K-Mart. Many students worked at places like K-Mart and Shopko just to work alongside their friends.



Concentrating hard, senior Laura Riley slices salami at Blimpie. Many students liked working somewhere close to home and school so it would be easier to travel to both places.

Hard work comes into Play

Jobs serve many purposes

Money isn't all that comes with having a job. Responsibility, hard work, and pure persistence are required in the working world. For Bellevue East students, there were many different reasons for getting a job.

"I have to work at Taco Bell because I get the money I need for the stuff I want," junior **Corey Martinez** said.

Other students wanted more out of a job than just money. They looked for a feeling of independence and self-sufficiency.

"I don't need or want to depend on my parents, so I work for responsibility," junior **Clair Keene** said. "And the money's a plus, too."

There were many reasons that students chose to work. Some people did it for matters of the heart and wanting to be closer to a boyfriend or girlfriend.

Senior **Jon Jameson** said, "I started working at Giovanni's because my girlfriend, Shari Turpie, works there."

Beyond romantic matters, responsibility, and the idea of extra spending money, some students worked because they had to. They were required to pay their own bills if they wanted something semi-extravagant such as a car.

"Insurance can be expensive along with a car payment, so I had to get a job," sophomore **Amanda Gibson** said.

With all the pressures of school and activities along with working, one wondered how people got their things accomplished.

"I ref for soccer, and games can run late," freshman **Kristina Fox** said. "So I make sure all my things are done before work."

Jobs were very hard and nervewracking things at times, but the feelings of accomplishment and green in the wallet left students satisfied. When the

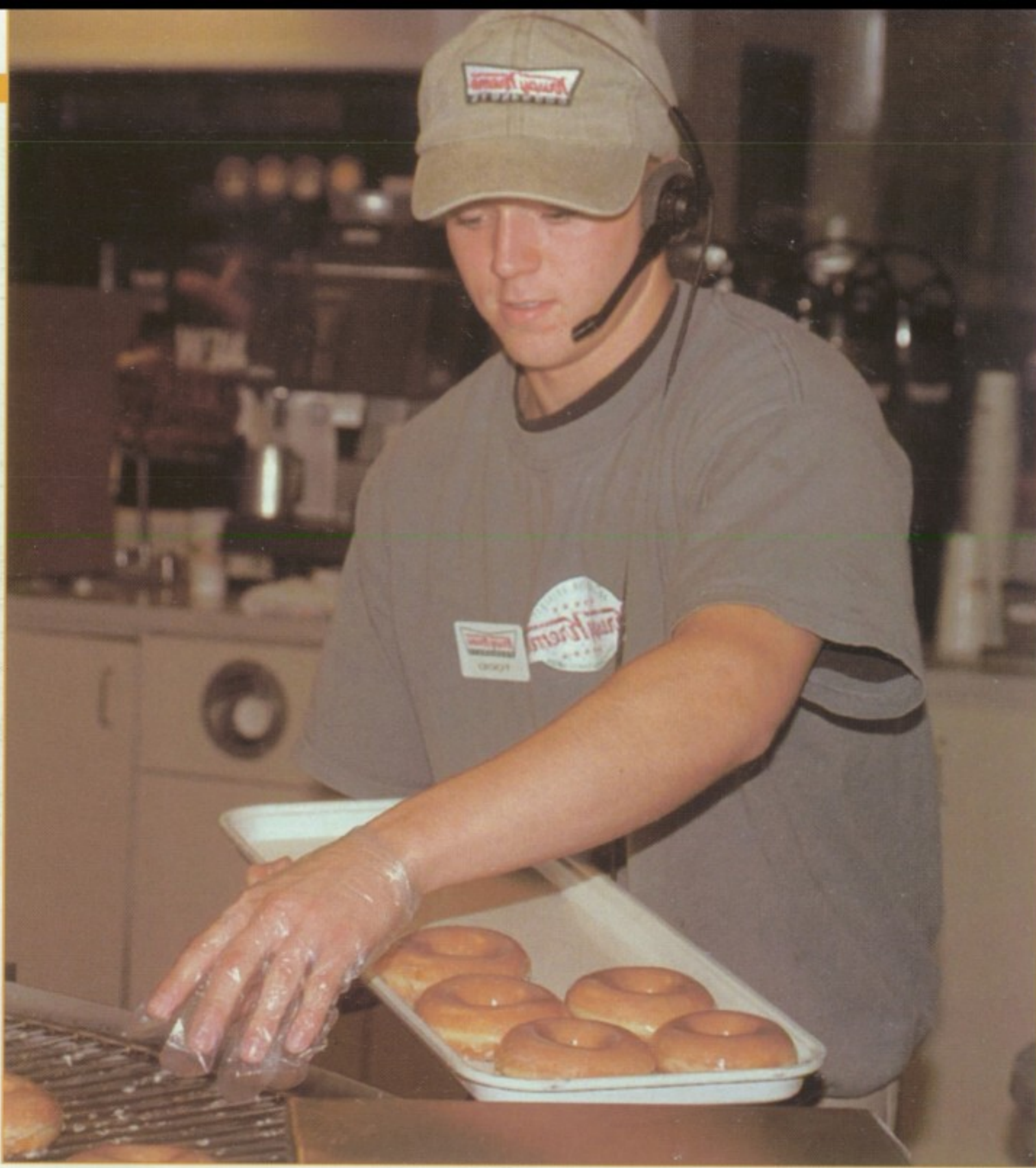
stress was off and everything was over with, students needed to relax and catch up on lost sleep.

"With drama stuff, homework, and a job at Twin Creek, it's hard to actually find time for sleep. So I'm usually always trying to catch up. It's not always easy," junior **Kayleen Serfass** commented.

Being a working student was never simple. Having a job took commitment and hard work. As stressful as it was, things still had to get done.

Sophomore **Shawn Gach** said, "There's a lot of stuff I have to juggle between working at Runza and sports, but I've realized that everything usually works out in the end."

" I have to work at Taco Bell because I got the money I need for the stuff I want. "



Nicholas Sloviter

Junior Todd Hotchkiss puts fresh doughnuts on a tray at Krispy Kreme. For East students, Krispy Kreme, Burger King, McDonald's, and Wendy's were popular places to work.

Why did you have to get a job?

"I got a job because I wanted the money."



Brandon Weatherhead, 12



"My parents made me get a job."

Robbie Briest 12



Nicholas Sloviter



Nicholas Sloviter

Senior Matt Byous calls back an order at Burger King. Many students worked at fast food places to make enough money to pay for gas, shopping, clothes, and hanging out with friends.

Squirting ketchup and mustard onto a bun, junior Erick Andersen prepares food at McDonald's. He was one of many Bellevue East students who worked in fast food.

WHERE IS THE BEST PLACE TO WORK?

CLOTHING STORE 21%

TACO BELL 30%

KRISPY KREME 23%

MCDONALD'S 20%

Pushin' it to the

Extreme sports are a must

Limit

So you went through the ups and downs, the twists and turns, the crashes and burns, and you still went back for more. Why? Because that's what extreme sports were about.

Extreme sports weren't just the stunts pulled off by the pros like Kelly Slater, Tony Hawk, or Dave Mirra. It's what's behind the stunts, in the heart of the athlete. It's the feeling of fear, joy, pain, and excitement.

"I skate for the passion of it, not for the look," sophomore **Mark Isaman** said.

For Bellevue East's extreme athletes, participating in an extreme sport was just like another day at football practice or a cross country run. Extreme sports were just as competitive and physically grueling to those select athletes.

"It takes a lot of practice and physical ability to surf. I have been surfing for two and a half years," junior **Marshall Warren** commented.

Despite the criticism, these athletes felt differently about their sports.

"I skateboard, and I think that it is just as much of a sport as football," said freshmen **Tony Bland**.

Yet when the criticism did come their way, they turned their heads and hopped on their equipment to take it for a ride. That's how most extreme athletes took

out their anger and frustration.

"When I'm angry, I board because that's how I deal," sophomore **Tyler Baker** said.

For some athletes who pushed it to the extreme, their sport was more than just a recreational activity. It was about pushing it to the next level.

Sophomore **Andy Brown** had been BMX biking for 2 years, then he got sponsored by Trend BMX, which originated in Austin, Texas. Brown found a sponsor because he put himself out there

and tried his best to get noticed.

"I always bought their equipment for my riding stuff and ended up getting a sponsorship," Brown said. "All I did was practice and be dedicated."

Among many things, dedication was one of the qualities it took to be good.

Extreme sports athletes said once you tried an extreme sport, you'd never go back. They were ways of making everything feel on the edge. Extreme sports weren't just sports, they were life.

"People have told me it's like I was born on a bike," Brown said. "I love biking. It is so awesome and so much fun."

"I always bought their equipment for my riding stuff and ended up getting a sponsorship."



Sara Woolery

Sophomore **Olaf Julsen** attempts a grind on steps in front of the main lobby entrance. Skateboarding became a very popular sport outside of school.

Sponsored by Trend BMX, sophomore **Andy Brown** rides his bike on the wall at Robert's Skatepark. Since students weren't allowed to skateboard or bike on school property, students turned to skateparks.



Courtesy of Andy Brown

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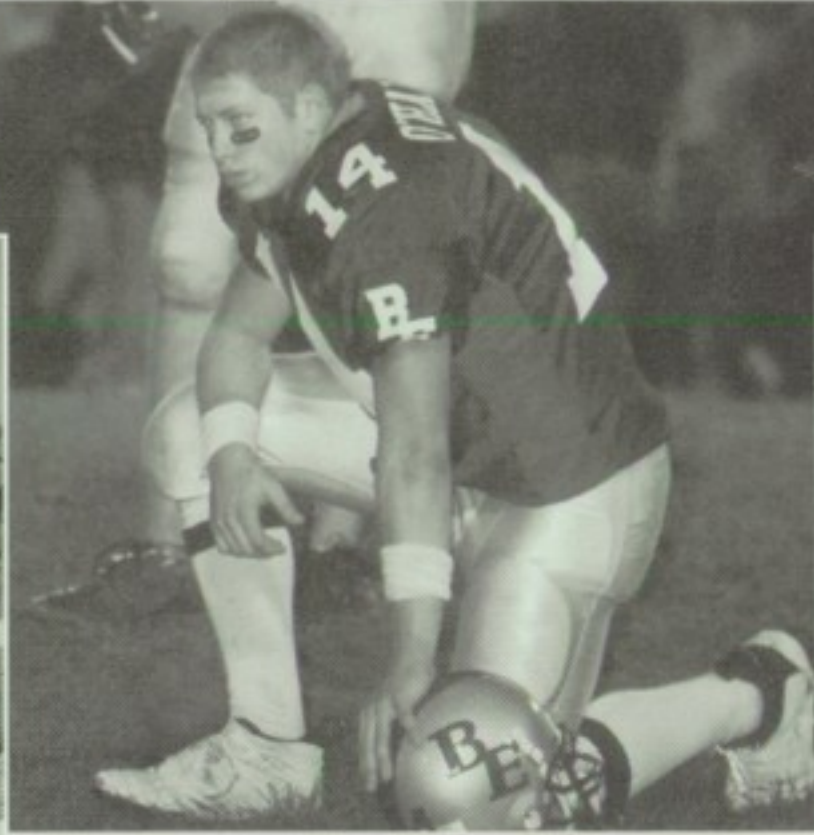
All Eyes

Sara Woolery



Students at East root on the boys' basketball team at the East vs. Omaha Benson game. Since it was the boys' best season in years, games were a popular place to be on game nights.

Junior *Matt O'Hanlon* grieves after the 27-24 loss to East's rival Bellevue West. The East/West football game was always a big deal in the Bellevue community.



Mike Crum

On Us!

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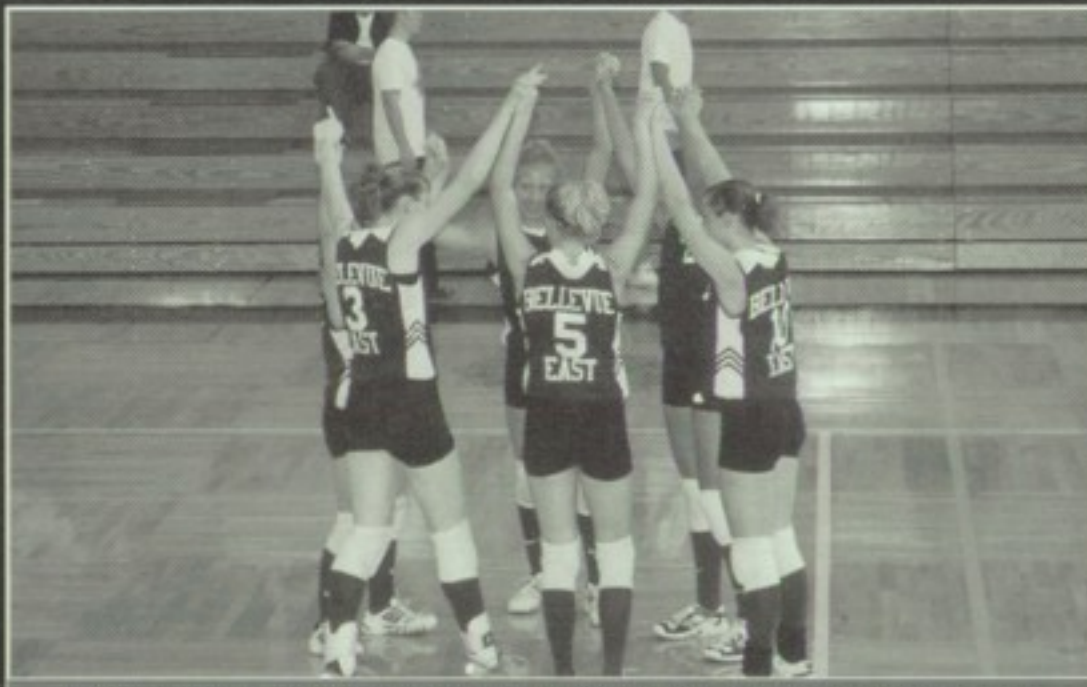
Before a varsity volleyball game, the Bellevedettes perform their competition dance. The East Bellevedettes practiced extremely hard to get everything right and on count.

Mike Crum

Mike Crum



Junior *Jessy Watson* shows her pride by dressing in the American flag. Spirit Week gave students a chance to show their personality in their outfits.



Before a game, the girls varsity volleyball team does their pump up cheer. Varsity volleyball had a great season with an overall record of 23-14.

Andrew Baile



Sophomore *Zack Heenan* wears his imitation Tom Cruise pajamas for Crazy Day. Some students had very creative ways of dressing up for Spirit Week days.

Jessy Anderson



ROTC members sophomores *Troy Wajdda* and *Brandon Kea* and seniors *Jessie Jackson*, *Amanda Dillard*, and *Kevin Johnson* stand at attention commemorating September 11th. Students gathered around the flagpole in memory of the tragedy.

Nikole Slotter



Senior *Bryce Anderson* and junior *Zack Winkler* play a role of "security" during an East event. This was another example of school spirit held up by the majority of East and its supporters.



During the Student Council Senior Breakfast with Superintendent *Dr. John Deegan*, senior *Brad Douglas* and junior *Quentin Muckle* listen closely. Deegan talked about the challenges seniors would face in the future.

Andrew Baile

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1. AE

2. ABERCROMBIE & FITCH 3. HOLLISTER

Best Brand

1. GAP

2. NIKE 3. ROUTE 66

Worst Brand

1. HOODIES

2. AIR FORCE ONES

3. FLARES

Best Trend

1. GOTHIC

2. TIGHT PANTS

3. BIG PANTS

Worst Trend

1. MR. CAMPBELL

2. MR. MULLER

3. MRS. KOEHL

Best Teacher

1. GEOMETRY

2. CHEMISTRY

3. AMERICAN Gov.

Worst Subject

1. FORENSICS

2. LUNCH

3. DRAMA

Best Class

Best Music Group/artist

1. LINKIN PARK

2. NELLY 3. GOOD CHARLOTTE

1. ENGLISH

2. MATH

3. SCIENCE

Best Subject

Worst Music Group/artist

1. N'SYNC

2. BACKSTREET BOYS 3. TLC

1. FRIENDS

Best Sitcom

2. SIMPSONS

3. WHOSE LINE IS IT ANYWAY?

Best T.V. Drama

1. ER

2. CSI

3. LAW & ORDER

1. THE RING

2. XXX

3. LORD OF THE RINGS: FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING

Best Movie

1. STAR WARS

2. MEN IN BLACK 2

3. GLITTER

Worst Movie

1. FRASIER

Worst Sitcom

2. WILL & GRACE

3. CRANK YANKERS

Worst T.V. Drama

1. ED

2. SOAP OPERAS

3. DAWSON'S CREEK

2003

THIS SURVEY WAS FILLED OUT

1. SATURDAY
2. FRIDAY
3. WEDNESDAY
Best Day of
the Week

1. MONDAY
2. SUNDAY
3. TUESDAY
Worst Day of
the Week

Best Food
1. PIZZA
2. MEXICAN FOOD
3. SPAGHETTI

Best Male Athlete
1. MICHAEL JORDAN
2. KOBE BRYANT
3. BRETT FAVRE

Best Season
1. SUMMER
2. SPRING

Worst Food
1. SCHOOL FOOD
2. SPINACH
3. TOMATOES

Worst Male Athlete
1. ERIC CROUCH
2. DENNIS RODMAN
3. CHARLIE BUTCH

Worst Season
1. WINTER
2. FALL

Best Pro Basketball Team
1. LAKERS
2. BULLS
3. NETS

Best Video Game
1. GTA 3
2. GTA VICE CITY
3. TONY HAWK PRO SKATER

Worst Pro Basketball Team
1. CLIPPERS
2. MAGIC
3. JAZZ

Worst Video Game
1. FINAL FANTASY
2. SUPER MARIO SUNSHINE
3. STAR WARS

Best Actor
1. VIN DIESEL
2. TOM HANKS
3. BEN AFFLECK

Worst Actress
1. BRITNEY SPEARS
2. WINONA RYDER
3. NATALIE PORTMAN

Best Actress
1. JULIA ROBERTS
2. HALLE BERRY
3. SANDRA BULLOCK

Worst Actor
1. LEONARDO DICAPRIO
2. FREDDY PRINZE JR.
3. LIL BOWWOW

B.EAST FAVORITES

BY APPROXIMATELY 800 PEOPLE

1
In July of 2002, Congress passed legislation intended to rein in corporate wrong-doings and toughen up the accounting industry because of scandals involving companies and people such as Enron, Arthur Andersen, Global Crossing, Merrill Lynch, WorldCom, Johnson & Johnson, CitiGroup, KMart, and Martha Stewart.

2
On July 28, 2002 at 2:45 a.m., nine coal miners were rescued after being trapped in a Pennsylvania mine for 77 hours. All nine who were trapped in the mine survived. Sources say that the accident was caused because there was too much water and it caved in.

3
In late July of 2002, firefighters were battling twenty-nine large wildfires. Each wildfire was 500 acres or more. This all happened in eight states, causing more than \$29 million in damage. The battle against the fires went on for three months.

4
September 11, 2002: America faced the anniversary of the horrific terrorist attacks on New York and Washington D.C. Despite military operations in Afghanistan, the United States still hadn't captured the one they wanted the most, Osama bin Laden.

5
Mid-September 2002: four were wounded and ten killed when snipers went on a shooting spree. John Allen Muhammad and John Lee Malvo were arrested on October 24 after being spotted at a gas station. The shootings took place through Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C.

6
In January of 2003, President George Bush cast Iraq as a part of an "axis of evil" with Iran and North Korea. The war of words between the U.S and Iraq escalated during the following months.

On January 28, 2003, the Oakland Raiders lost their chances of being champions when they lost to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers at Superbowl XXXVII. The final score was 48 to 21. It was the first Superbowl win for the Buccaneers.

On February 1, 2003, the Columbia space shuttle exploded, killing seven astronauts. The left wing seemed to be the cause of the explosion. The shuttle took off January 16 and was returning home on the day of the accident. This was the original Columbia space shuttle.

Jessica Santillan was just 17 years old when she died on February 22 from her second heart and lung transplant. The first heart and lung transplant was not successful because it was the wrong blood type and she died from the second because she was already weak from the first one.

On February 27, Fred Rogers, also known as Mister Rogers from the children's show, died from stomach cancer. *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood* was the longest running program on PBS.

On March 12, Elizabeth Smart, the Salt Lake teenager who went missing nine months earlier, was found alive. She was found after two citizens called police to report a suspicious group of people at a Burger King in Sandy, Utah.

On March 19 at 7:00 p.m., the deadline for Iraq to disarm had expired. Shortly after 7:30 p.m., the first signs of war were visible. President Bush's hopes were to find Saddam Hussein and remove him from power.

B.EAST TIMELINE '02 - '03

NEW to the Community



Chausidly Vaik

In August of 2002, the craft store on Cornhusker Road called Michaels was opened. It offered a wide selection of art supplies and things someone would need for any type of craft project.



Chausidly Vaik

There were only a few Targets in the surrounding Bellevue area. On March 9, 2003, the new Target on 36th street opened. It was a major place for teenagers to apply to for a job.



Chausidly Vaik

The strip of new places located on Cornhusker Road contained Ruby Tuesdays and Carlos O' Kelly's. These new additions to the community gave more variation of restaurants to eat at.

UP CLOSE



Ferris Arnold

Todd Porter

World geography teacher

Wore a 70's suit on Crazy Day.

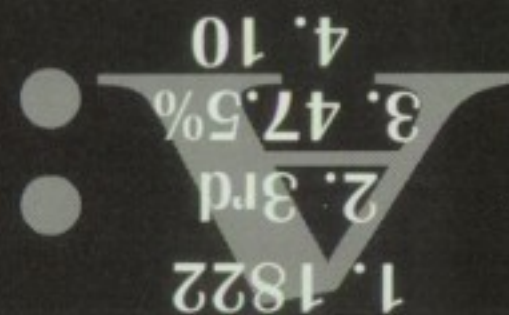
"I show my pride by coaching three sports and wearing a lot of Bellevue East stuff."

"I try to be an up-beat type of guy."

"I try to dress up on all the costume days."

How did you show your B.East pride?

1. What year was Bellevue established?
2. What place did Bellevue hold in Nebraska for largest population?
3. In the 1990s the population increased by nearly what percent?
4. How many members were in the Bellevue City Council?



How much do you know about your town?

Memories of the past.

August 14, 2002

"It was good, but I was scared at the beginning of upper classmen, and like, I thought it was cool to see other people on the videotape of the freshmen's first day." (Kayla Rynders, 9, on freshmen's first day of school.)

September, 2002

"I was shocked. I was appaled that someone could do that. They had no consideration for anyone's life. They didn't pick a person, just whoever happened to be there at that moment." (Glenda Stunden, Registrar, on the Sniper Shootings.)

October 11, 2002

"I think we need a better defense. We've lost so many years in a row it's not even funny. We need some de-

August 15, 2002

"I thought that all of the freshman were really annoying." (Rachelle Pope, 10, on the first day of school.)

September 11, 2002

"It was pretty much a regular day except for the moment of silence. Everything was also more quiet than usual." (Rachael Crider, 12, on the anniversary of September 11.)

December 2002

"I think that it's really cool because it's showing our pride and our school spirit."

What new additions to Bellevue's community do you go to?

Charmidy Venk



Reggie Meyers, 11

"Ruby Tuesdays has good food and they have more varieties. The service is faster than most places."

"We go to the Lied Center for WinterGuard practice from 5 to 9. It's a really cool place and they have a lot of good exercise machines."

Katie Willis, 10



Sara Woolery

Involvement in the community



Scott Seaba

Sophomores Cami Hooegeven, Brian Johnson-Strawn, Eric Holtmeyer, and Tim Benak watch the Arrows to Aerospace parade from a curb on Mission Street. Many students and people from the Bellevue community went to the parade to see all of the festivities.



Drew Anderson

For the one year remembrance of September 11, members of the fire department gathered at the school for the flagpole ceremony. Senior Mike Jarvis, one of the volunteer firefighters, came wearing his uniform to memorialize the lives that were lost.



Andrew Balin

Junior Paul Pollak helps build a house for Habitat for Humanity. Pollak helped at the 27th and Harrison site, but many other students participated in the project at other sites across the metro area. Habitat for Humanity was always looking for help.

fense! (Scott Adams, 10, on the East vs. West game.)

January 6, 2003

"It's a good place to hang out with my friends." (Mike Shultz, 9, on the Lied Activity Center.)

February 12, 2003

"What I remember most was the flag ceremony on the anniversary of 9/11. It was awesome and it made a lasting impression." (Lisa Holtmeyer, Dean Secretary, on her most memorable moment of the past.)

(Eddie Ysusi, 10, on the new front entrance logo.)

February 1, 2003

"Well, most likely I think that they need to be more cautious, and the government needs to give them more money." (Nikki Biberdorf, 11, on the Columbia explosion.)

February 11, 2003

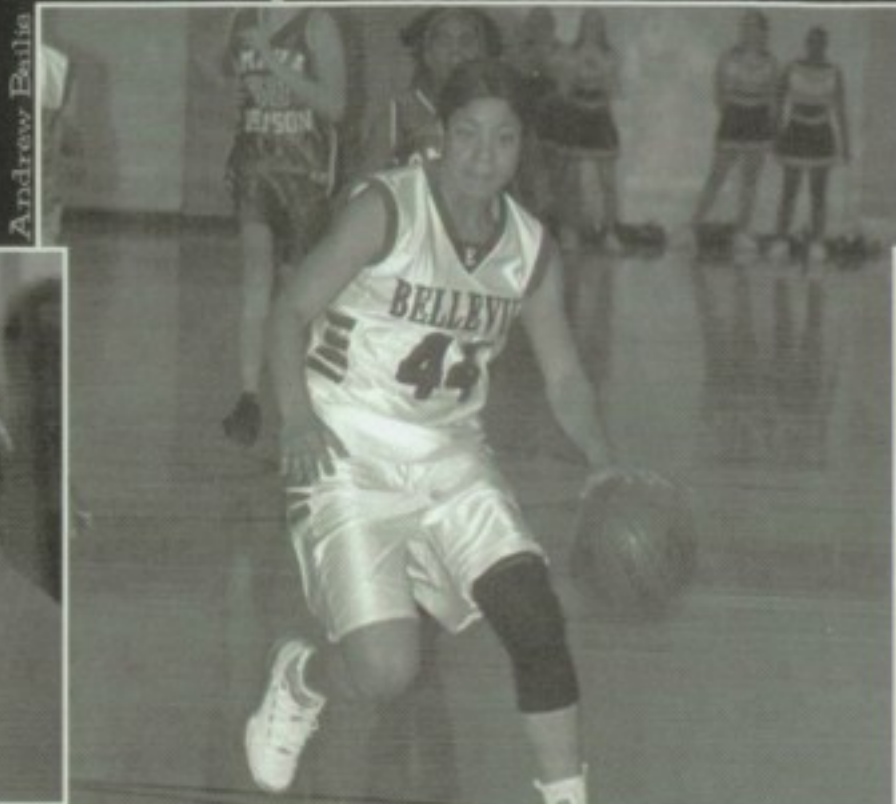
"I love it because I am getting out of here early and it's great!" (Erick Lawyer, 12, on being a senior.)

All Eyes On Us!



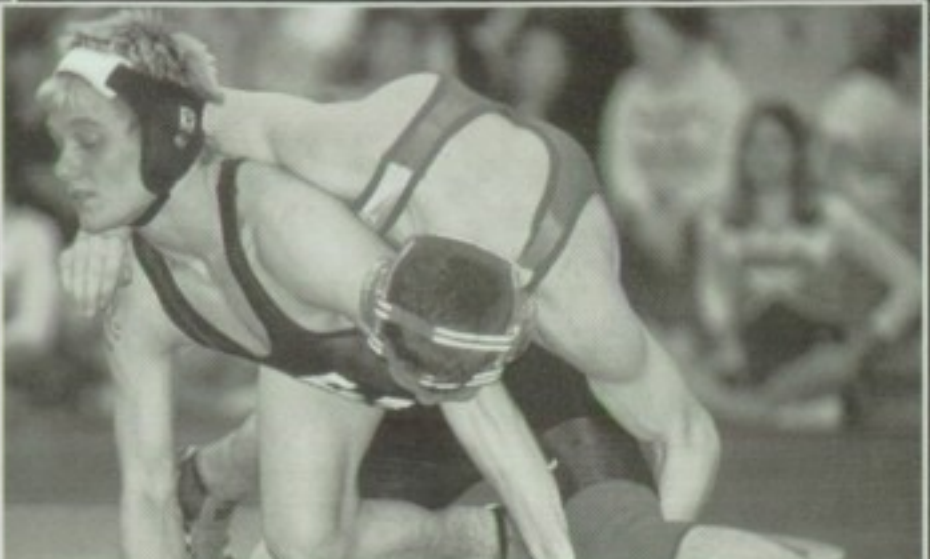
Joey Anderson

During the September eleventh commemoration, freshmen *Jasmine Mosley* and *Amber Quinn* watch as the American Flag is raised. The commemoration celebration was in the middle of Spirit Week, so that day's theme was Stars and Stripes.



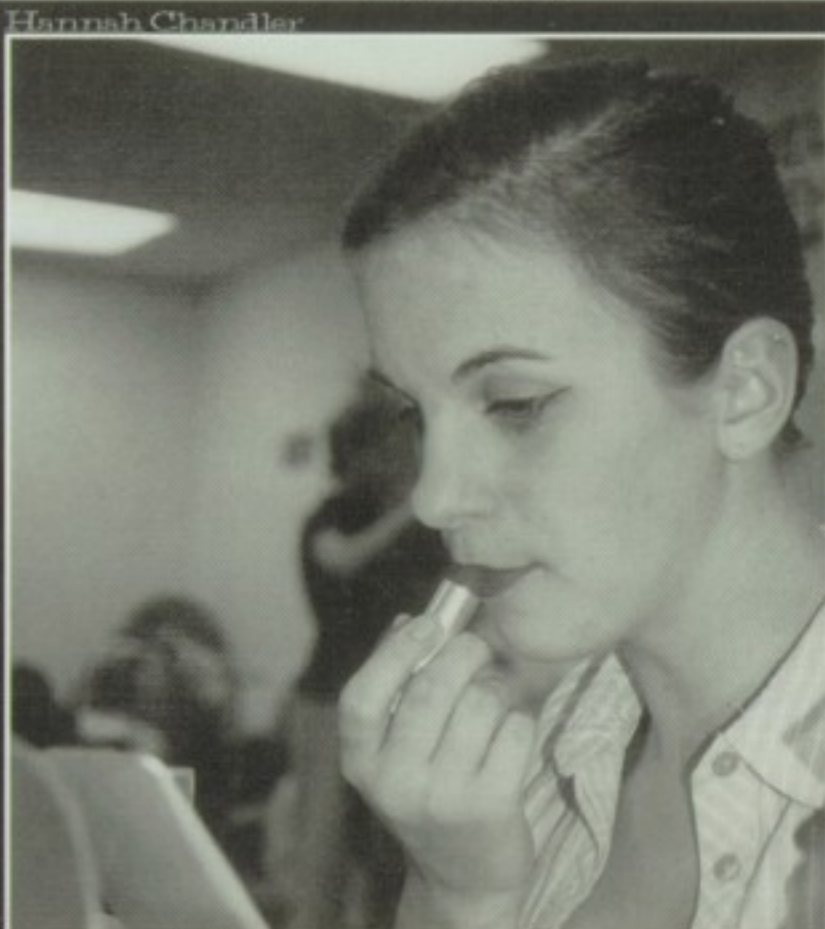
Andrew Bailes

During a home basketball game, junior *Janielle Bryan* dribbles to the basketball hoop. Despite suffering a knee injury and going through surgery, Bryan still did extremely well.



Andrew Bailes

At a home wrestling match, senior *Jesse Pendley* attempts to get out of a move by an opponent. In Pendley's senior year, one of his goals was to compete and win at state.



Hannah Chandler

Senior *Amanda Tabler* applies her make-up, primping for her performance. Many students were involved in performances throughout the year. Putting on make-up didn't just start with girls, but guys went through it too.



Mike Crum

At the East vs. West football game, the Varsity and JV Cheerleaders form one wall of the tunnel while the band forms the other. Senior *Statlin Yates* led the football team through the tunnel. East went on to lose the football game by three points.



Mike Crum

Before school, juniors *William Butts* and *Scott Stewart* play a downloaded game on a graphing calculator. Despite the high price, graphing calculators were a favorite utensil among students.



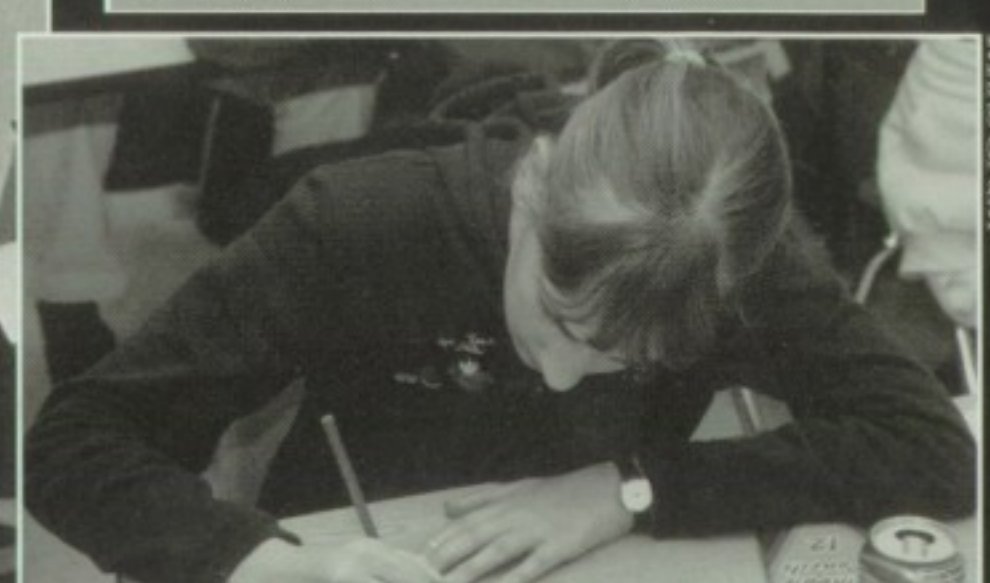
At a swim meet hosted by Bellevue East, junior *Danita Gomez* swims freestyle backstroke to a victory. Swimming was one of the many winter sports that did well throughout their season.

Mike Crum



At the first chorus concert of the musical season, junior *Terah Mitchell* sings a song with Singers. Students met every day during sixth hour and had to audition to be a part of this elite group.

Mike Crum



During a Spanish Club meeting, sophomore *Michelle Hoins* works on a project for Day of the Dead celebrated on November 12th. Many language clubs had their unique ways to celebrate the different cultures.

Mike Crum



Scott Seabra

Sophomores Eric Holtmeyer, Cami Hoogeveen, Brian Johnson-Strawn, and Elizabeth Cenualdi get hyped up at their FCA meeting. Students could do anything out of school, but many chose school related activities.

At the East vs. Omaha Northwest basketball game, the crowd cheers on the boys basketball team. Students liked to attend school sporting events to show their Chieftain pride.



Sara Woolery

When out of **S**chool Everything is simple

It was eight in the morning and students arrived at school. Through long lectures and assigned homework, students at Bellevue East looked forward to the bell ringing at 3:10. Most left looking forward to what they wanted to do outside of school.

Senior **Jennifer Cox** said, "When I got home, I just liked to check my e-mails and catch up with my friends."

Checking e-mails and just playing on the computer were some common things done after school. But when the week was

over, students' weekends were just beginning. From parties to working, they did it all. The main goal on their mind was just to have fun.

Cox said, "If I'm not working on my hobby, art, I'm throwing parties."

For students, sports also took up a lot of their free time. When they left school, it was sports, and when they had time on their weekends, it was sports.

"Hockey is my life," sophomore **Shane Lanowski** said. "Plus to me it's the greatest sport ever."

Though most played sports for fun, they also did it to relieve tension. When they had a hard day or just needed to do something, students, like freshman **Chris Powell**,

turned to sports.

"When I left school for the day, I just had to play basketball," Powell said. "It was just what I did to relieve stress from school."

"When I left school for the day, I just had to play basketball."

Going home every day wasn't always about another activity to do. Some took the time to relax and enjoy anything they could, as long as it wasn't school. Whether they just slept or listened to the radio, they made sure nothing was a hassle.

"I turn on my radio right

when I get home," senior **Daniel Henry** said, "then I write poetry, or just write."

While others played sports and just had fun, sophomore **Ashly Banta** had her fun volunteering at Hillcrest Nursing Home and doing church activities. Many other students also took part in similar activities.

Banta said, "I volunteer at nursing homes because I can make other people's days, and it personally makes mine."

Nikole Slotter
Student Life Co-Editor

Doesn't matter **Where**

Summer vacations are interesting

When summertime came students liked spending their freedom doing different things. Some preferred sitting home and watching t.v., letting the day go by as slow as possible. Others liked taking advantage of their summer by going on trips with family or friends to various places.

Others decided to do something independent without family. Sophomore **Jeremiah Dawson** went to a summer camp with his fellow Boy Scouts in mid-June. At the camp Dawson went on a fifty mile canoe trek.

"We also got to camp on the river and make our own food," Dawson said.

Although most students liked being independent over the summer vacation, some occasionally wanted to spend time with family. Freshman **Stephanie Prochnow** went on a two day trip with her sister, her sister's boyfriend, and three of her cousins to Oceans of Fun and Worlds of Fun in Kansas City.

"We rode the rides, and I got stuck on the 'Mamba' that was hundred feet in the air," Prochnow said.

Others also liked spending time with their family, like sophomore **Tami Hartz**. She went to Arkansas with her family to visit her grandmother's side of the family and then went to Green Bay, Wisconsin, to visit her grandfather's side of the family.

"It wasn't the most exciting vacation, but it was something," Hartz said.

Another student who liked quality time with his family was sophomore **Danny Schreiber**. Every summer Schreiber and his family took a vacation, and they decided on the Bahamas. Schreiber had the privilege of spending eight days in the Bahamas with his mother, father, and sister.

Schreiber spent his days and nights lounging on the beach with his sister, swimming in the ocean, and visiting various local shops. Schreiber also got the chance to ride on jet-skis.

"The best parts were when I went to the beach at night with my sister and when I got to ride a jet-ski for the very first time," Schreiber said.

Senior **Matthew Shipman** also had a family vacation. He took a trip with his parents, brother, sister, and his uncle and two cousins to visit his grandparents in New Auburn, Wisconsin.

Shipman attended a family reunion in July which included his father's five brothers and their families, which hadn't all been together since 1988. Shipman's father and five uncles were all in the military, so while staying with relatives, they got a family portrait done with each of the family members and one with just the

Uncles in uniform. They were all visited by Wisconsin senator David Zein, who came to congratulate them for serving our country.

While in Wisconsin, Shipman stayed at a cabin resort on Lake Chetek. Shipman's family, including his uncle and two cousins, all stayed in a three bedroom cabin. It may have been an uncomfortable stay, but Shipman still had fun golfing with cousins and uncles and fishing with his grandpa.

"I didn't like the cabin, but hanging out with my cousins was fun," Shipman said.

"It wasn't the most exciting vacation, but it was something."

Sarah Shipman
Staff Writer



Nikola Slotar



At Evergreen, Colorado, with their church group, sophomores **Cami Hoogeveen** and **Elizabeth Genualdi** take a vacation looking for adventure. Most Bellevue East students liked to go to places with friends over the summer.



Courtesy of Jenny Palmer

During her vacation in New Zealand, junior Jenny Palmer carries her boomerang and throws it around. Vacations to different places around the world was something few got to do.

How many students went on a vacation this summer?

26% said...

They did

74% said...

They didn't

Students filled out this survey during homeroom



Nikole Slater

What is your idea of your fantasy vacation?

"I'D GO TO CUNCUN FOR THE LADIES"



Eric Gleason, 12

"TO GO TO PARIS AND TOUR THE CITY"



Erin Herrman, 12



Courtesy of Ian Hoogevoren

During summer vacation, sophomore Josh Sundberg attends a church camp with his fellow youth members. Such places as camps were popular places to attend for summer entertainment.

At the College World Series, senior Blake Yount and juniors Joey Smith and Matt O'Hanlon work concessions during the game. Working jobs was a big part of students lives during summer vacation.

TOP

Accessories in your bedroom

1. Bed
2. Stereo
3. T.V.
4. Pictures and posters
5. Computer

Students filled out this survey during homeroom



Hannah Chandler

How much time do you spend in your bedroom?



Nicole Smith, 9

"I'M BASICALLY IN THERE FROM THE TIME I GET HOME UNTIL THE NEXT MORNING."



James Bailey, 10

"HARDLY EVER, MAYBE ABOUT 8 HOURS WHEN I'M SLEEPING."

Sophomore Melissa McCoy watches T.V. in her 70's looking bubble chair. A lot of students liked to spend their time watching T.V. or playing on their computer in their bedroom.

Junior Anne Champion reads a magazine in her uniquely decorated room that includes many rock posters. Decoration was very popular in students' bedrooms this school year.



Jessica Brown

Seeking the Peace

Bedrooms are for comfort

Where did you go when your mind was tired and lost? It was the one place that you felt at home. It was your style, whether punk or classy, and it suited you. All you did was dream over the fact that you were in your own sanctuary, your bedroom.

"My bedroom is cool because it's where I sleep and do my stuff," sophomore **Eric Stevens** said.

After those long days at school, where did students go who needed rest, working time for their 3 hour homework sessions, and that wonderful thing everyone had forgotten...peace.

"My bedroom's my privacy. It's the only way I can get away from people," freshman **Brittany Hewlett** said.

Knowing that you were away from that outside world, including your closest relatives, was relieving to most. Not having to deal with school, friends, and family was a plus.

"Being able to go to my room is a good thing, because staying away from the family is also good too," sophomore **Melissa McCoy** said.

Students were ecstatic over having that feeling of comfort. You had to like what your surroundings were, and a lot of Bellevue East students put that special touch on their walls.

"I have posters all around my room. I love it," senior **Andrea Ruch** said.

After getting the touch of your style and flair, all that was left was putting it to good use, and that certainly wasn't a difficult task at all.

"I have a nice room, but I'm not in there much. I'm usually in my bedroom when I'm sleeping," junior **Mallory Rishel** said.

Primarily, yes, bedrooms were for sleeping, which was an activity that students did and loved. Without that feeling of like and taste around them, students were left without a place of their own.

"I like being able to go in my room and not care what everyone else is doing," sophomore **Kaitlin Mattice** said.

Students' rooms were important to their privacy and well being. Students cherished the place that they called their bedroom.

"It's where I spend a lot of my time. In order for me to feel comfortable, I need to have the things that I like around me," senior **Carlos Figueroua** said.

Through all the time students spent at school, they always had that secret place, their bedroom, to go back to.

"I go to my room when I want to be alone, because it's like a safe haven, and everything I know is in there, and it helps me to relax when I am stressed out," junior **Ashley Mercier** said.

"I have a nice room, but I'm not in there much. I'm usually in my bedroom when I'm sleeping."

Sara Woolery
Student Life Co-Editor



Hannah Chandler



Nikola Stokor

Sophomore **Caleb Mayfield** takes out his medieval weapons to polish them. Bedrooms were a very important place to keep valuable belongings.

Freshman **Dannie Morrow** lies on her bed studying for a test coming up that week. Studying was a must for good grades, and to concentrate most students studied in their rooms.

During 7th period science class, junior Mark Ciriaco and his sibling, sophomore Mike Ciriaco, work on a lab together. Not too many sibling students had classes together.

What is it like having your sibling here with you at East?



Jesse Christensen, 9

I HAVE TO DEAL WITH KYLE AT HOME, BUT I DON'T WANT TO DEAL WITH HIM AT SCHOOL.



Todd Simon, 11

CHAD AND I GET ALONG REALLY WELL AND WE'RE LIKE BEST FRIENDS.

Profile: Siblings Lindsey, Seth, and Luke Nielson

* LUKE NIELSON - SENIOR

* SETH NIELSON - SOPHOMORE

* LINDSEY NIELSON - FRESHMAN

* LUKE'S TAKE ON LINDSEY AND

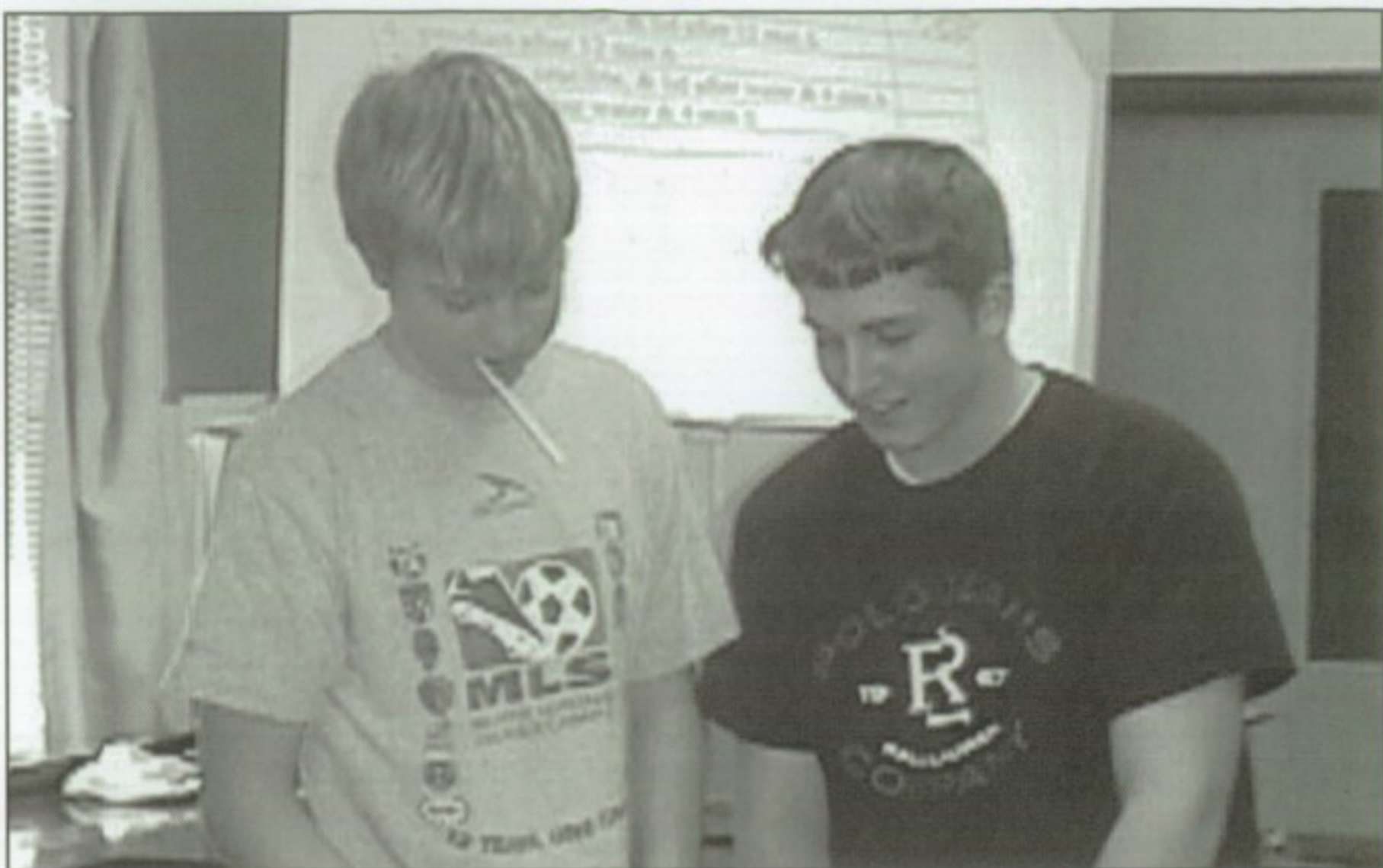
SETH: "It doesn't bother me because I see them all the time at home."

* SETH'S TAKE ON LUKE AND LINDSEY: "I don't really see them that much. I talk to Luke sometimes."

* LINDSEY'S TAKE ON HER 2 BROTHERS: "Luke is cool 'cause he's a senior, and Seth is cool but kind of annoying."

Sophomore Racheal Sigler and her younger sister, freshman Kelsey Sigler, talk with their mutual friend Emily Senske before going home. Many siblings had the same friends at East and talked together frequently.

Sophomore Brittany George and her step-brother, sophomore Josh Sundburg, talk at her locker after school. Siblings saw each other during the day and even had classes together.



Burgundy-Ojala



Sara Woolery



Sara Woolery



Sara Wolkov

Siblings junior Renee Easey and sophomore Stephen Easey talk at the drinking fountain before heading off to class. Passing periods offered students a chance to go to the bathroom and get a drink or snack.

So many family **Ties**

East is full of sibilings

Having a sibling can be interesting for anyone: fights, telling on each other, and even fun nights together. Having a sibling at school also had its ups and its downs.

Junior **Sean DeBuhr** had his brother, freshman **Ryan DeBuhr**, at East. Sean did not mind Ryan being around.

"It's cool that we're in the same school," Sean said.

Sean was also lucky, not just that he had a younger brother at East, but his mom, Spanish teacher **Vickie DeBuhr**, was at East as well.

"It's weird that I have my mom for a teacher, but luckily Ryan isn't in one of my classes," Sean said.

Sophomore **Spencer Holt** also had a younger sibling, her sister freshman **Sara Holt**. Spencer liked having a little sister so she could use her sister's locker and pick on Sara all the time.

"I can get all my friends to pick on her and call her 'Spencer's little sister,'" Spencer said.

Sophomore **Kaiti Jorgenson** had her older sister senior, **Allie Jorgenson**, at East. After a long day of school, Kaiti went home and talked to her sister about what went on in the day.

"When we're at home and I talk about something that happened at school, she understands what I mean," Kaiti said.

Sophomore **Brandon Copeland** had an older sibling, too, junior **Amanda Copeland**, who helped him out.

"I learned what the school is like before I came, and I got help around for the first couple of days," Brandon said.

There were also disadvantages to having a sibling in the same school.

Allie Jorgenson said that she was afraid to do anything wrong.

"I couldn't do anything without her noticing, like I could not skip class without her finding out," Allie said.

Some students were even compared to their siblings.

Sara and Spencer Holt both had teachers that compared them to

each other. "You act totally different than your sister, Spencer. That's what they [the teachers] always said," Sara said.

For most siblings, as long as they did not see much of each other, they didn't care about being at the same school.

"We don't have much interaction," Allie said. "I hang out with my friends and she hangs out with hers."

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Nicole Mathis
Staff Writer

Success.

Study or see our friends? Why are we here again? Some of us seemed to forget why we got up at 6:30 every morning to attend classes for 8 hours. One word: success.

Our school did nothing but improve itself to help us get a good education and be successful. Classes, such as Algebra 3, were continually added to the curriculum, giving students a wider variety of choices.

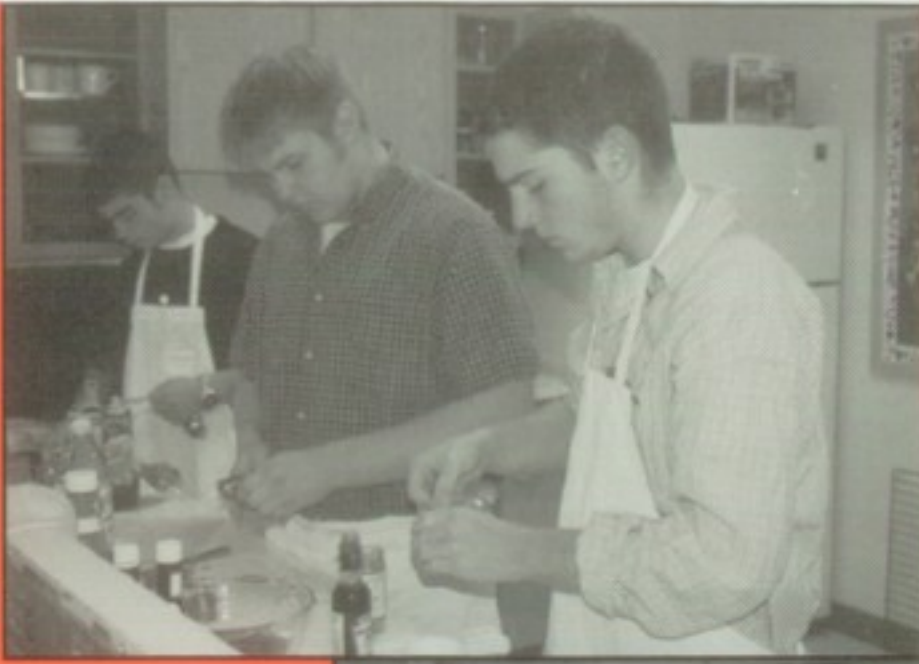
The ACT was another area where improvements were sought. Review courses were taught in the mornings by various teachers who volunteered. Any student who had the time and wanted help could get it.

Making the school a safer and better place was also an accomplishment we saw this year. School policies such as hall freezes and tardy punishments had an effect on students and teachers alike.

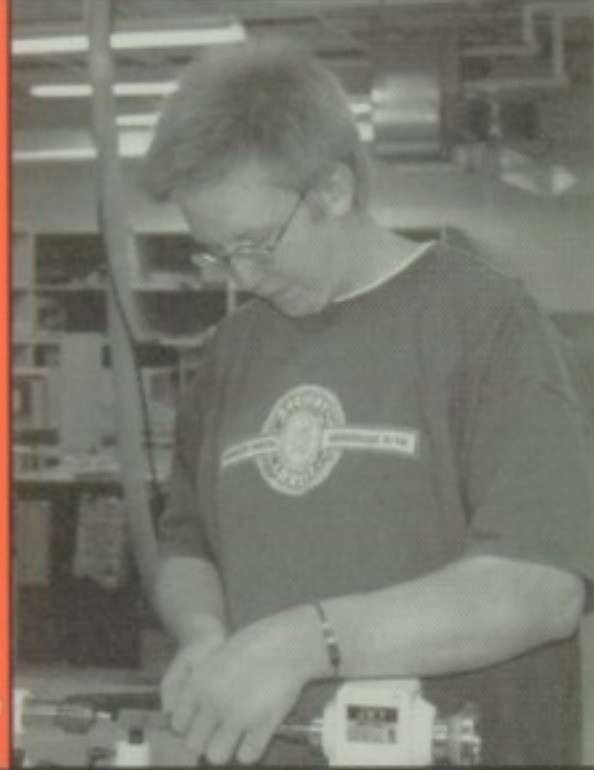
The staff was also improved, with fifteen new hires, including a counselor and a dean. Along with the new teachers, technology additions were also made. Smart Boards were placed in computer labs to make learning and teaching easier.

With the help of the new teachers, new classes, and new opportunities, East continued being a

SUCCESS.



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Counselor Janet Hansen assists senior Amanda Andrews in looking for information on colleges. The counseling office also provided scholarship applications and information on the ACT and SAT.

Whadaya think?

What do you think of the new policies?



"I am glad that I can get in for free because my mom doesn't like to give me money."

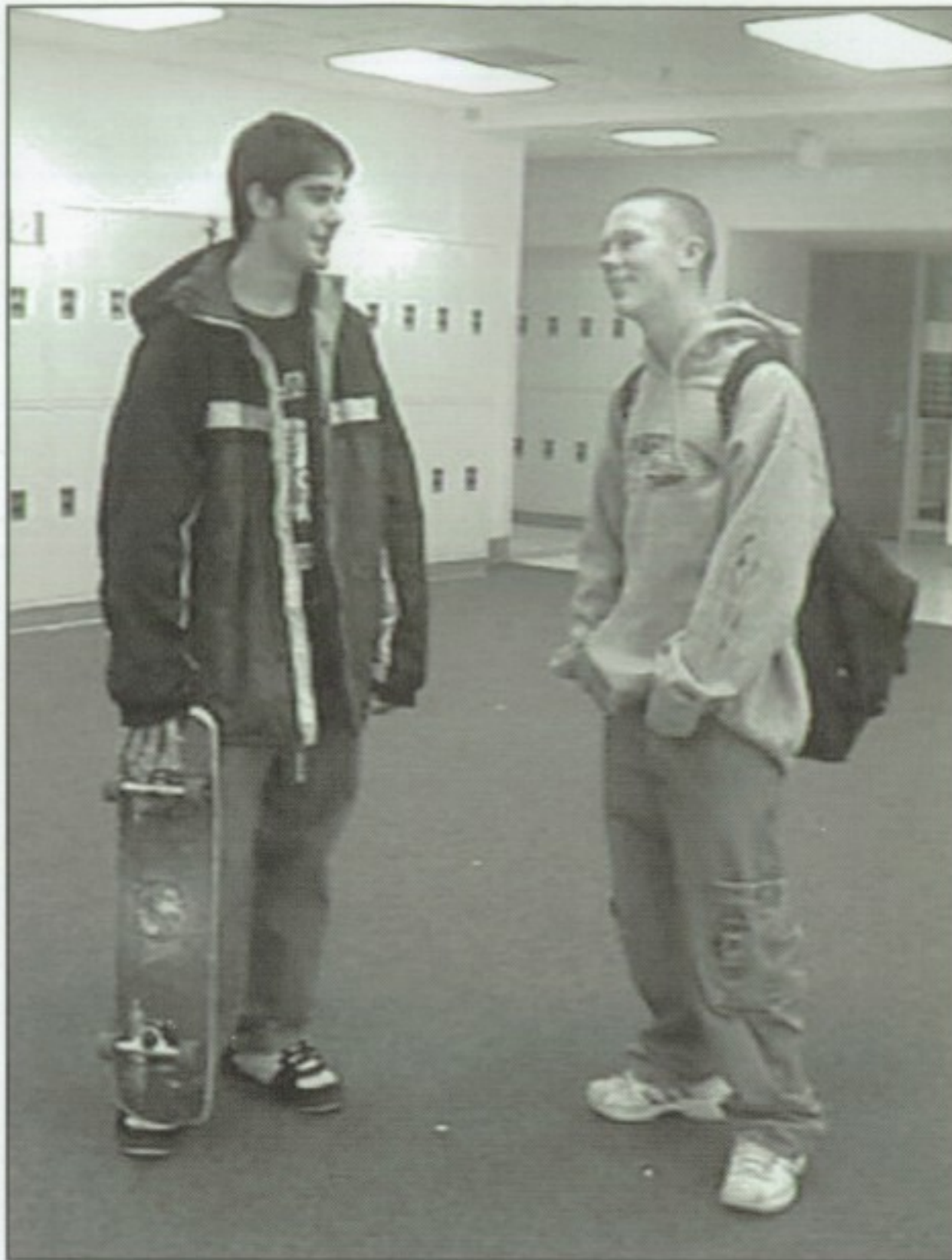
Kayla Voiles, 9

"I don't like the new tardy policy because I have slow friends and they are late to class."



Chris Gillum, 11

Sophomores Sean Queen and Joe Hammel talk after school in the upper commons area. Students were not allowed to skateboard on school grounds, so they looked elsewhere. Robert's Skate Park and World Wize Indoor Skate Park were alternative places to skate.



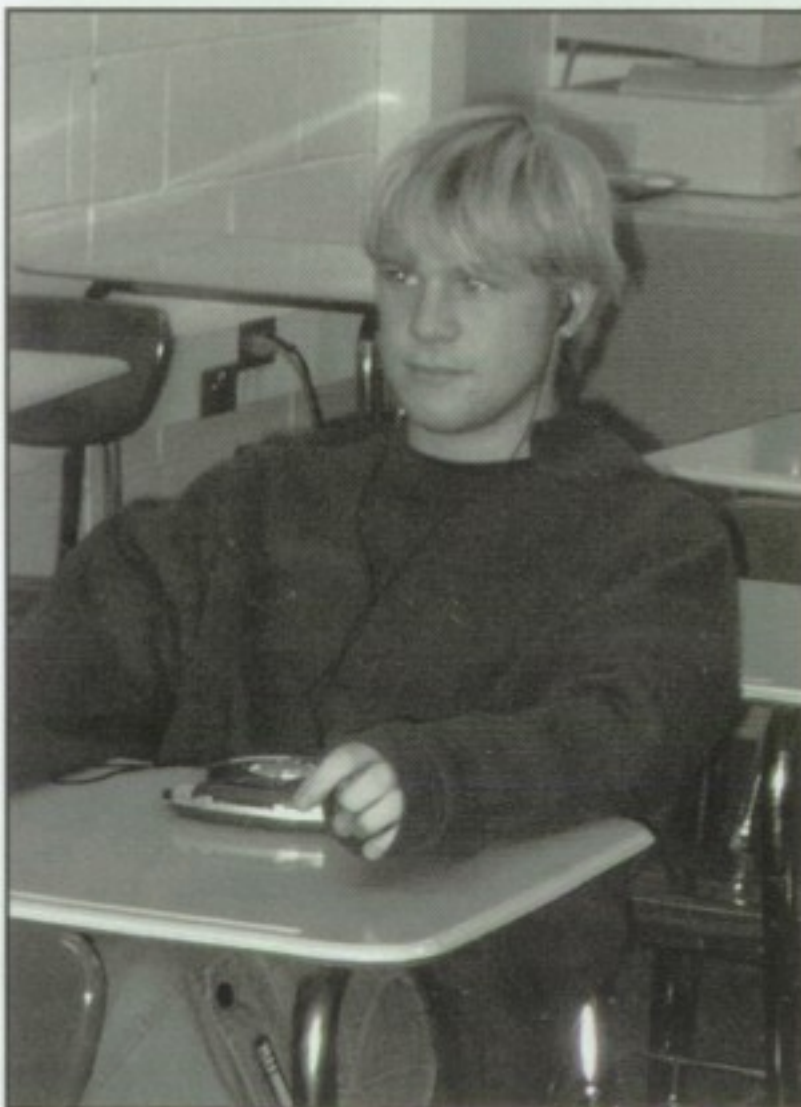
Sarah Woolery

Freshman Jack O'Quinn sits in class and listens to his CD player. Many students had electronic devices in school like CD players, Gameboys, cell phones, and Palm Pilots. These devices were not allowed in instructional areas unless the teacher allowed them.

During a home football game, sophomore Danielle Lentsch shows her student ID card to Kathy Leibenguth. Students were not charged for school-related activities. Dean Larry Bleach said, "Over the summer there were numerous complaints about the cost of school and that you shouldn't have to pay to learn."



Barynda Ohls



Michael Grunn

While wearing a tank top, junior Stephanie Erickson-Fink eats lunch. The three finger rule applied to tank tops, and Fink's shirt was okay. Other enforcements on dress code were no stomachs showing, shirts needed to have a back, and no hats.



During lunch, senior Josh Clapper chats on his cell phone. Cell phones were allowed in school during break and lunch but not in class. "I think cell phones should be allowed in school in a controlled manner," junior Ashley Mercier said.

A little more info...

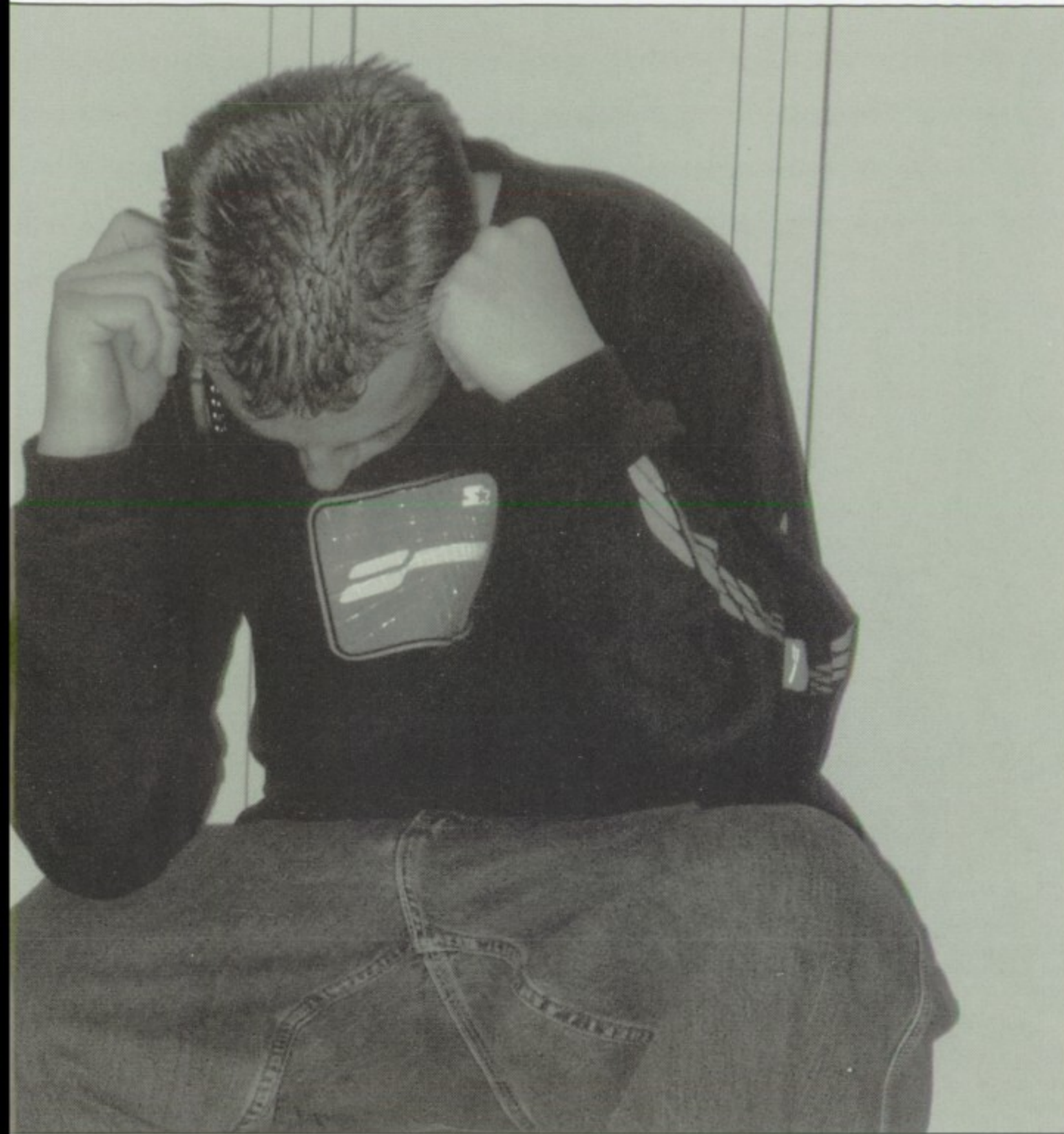
Survey...

HAVE YOU RECEIVED A SATURDAY SCHOOL FOR TARDIES?

YES: 22%

NO: 78%

approximately 50 students surveyed



New policies bring various changes

As the school year started, new policies were enforced. The school could no longer charge students for school-related functions, a Saturday school was issued after five tardies, and the dress code was reinforced.

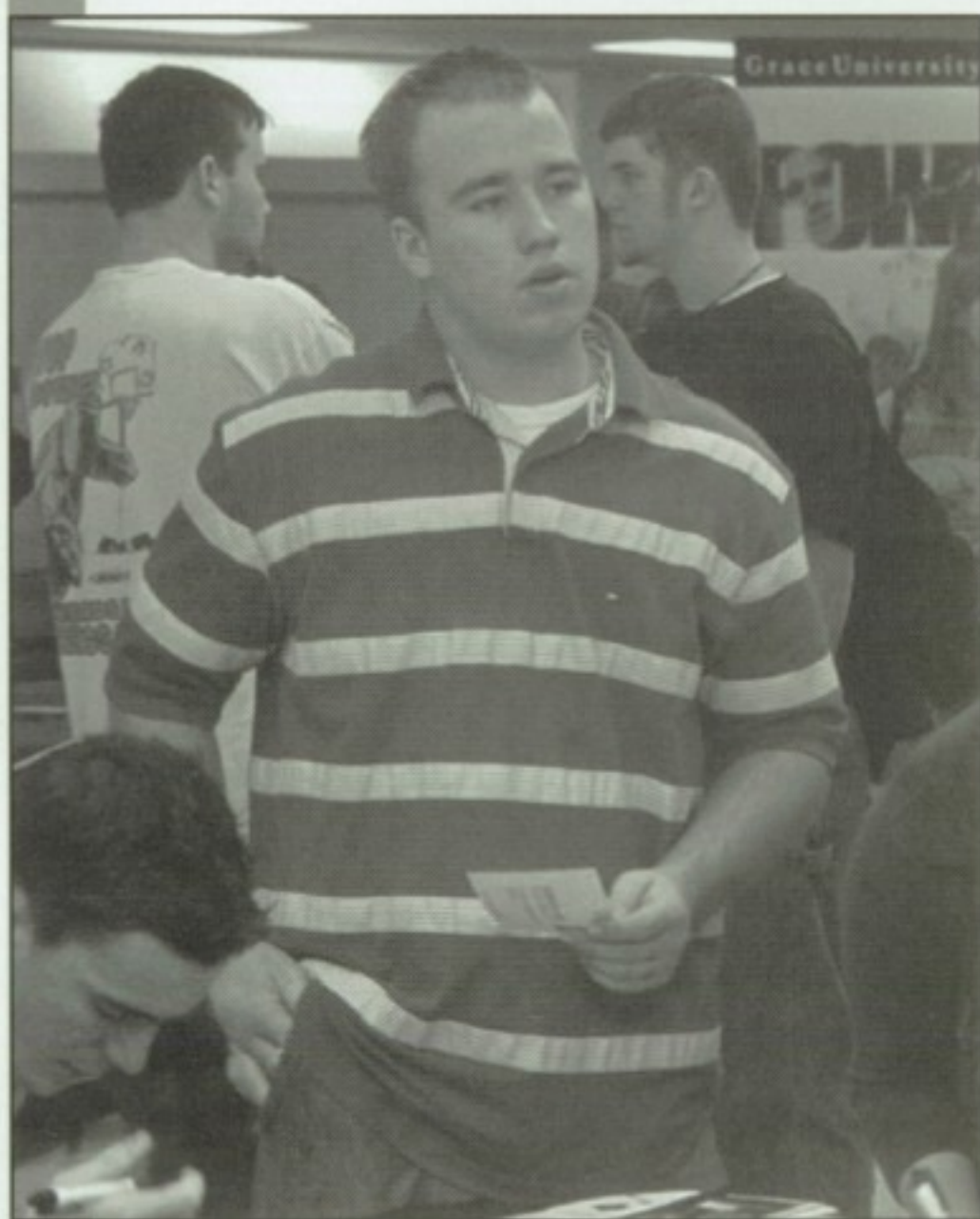


A first hand look at the future

Planning your future could be difficult. The Career Center made it a little bit easier with all of the surveys and computer programs that were offered.



Joseph Andersen



Scott Seabra

Junior **Brandon Clark** talks with a career representative at the career fair. Clark was one of the many students investigating career opportunities at the fair. Other representatives were hiring for future positions with their companies.

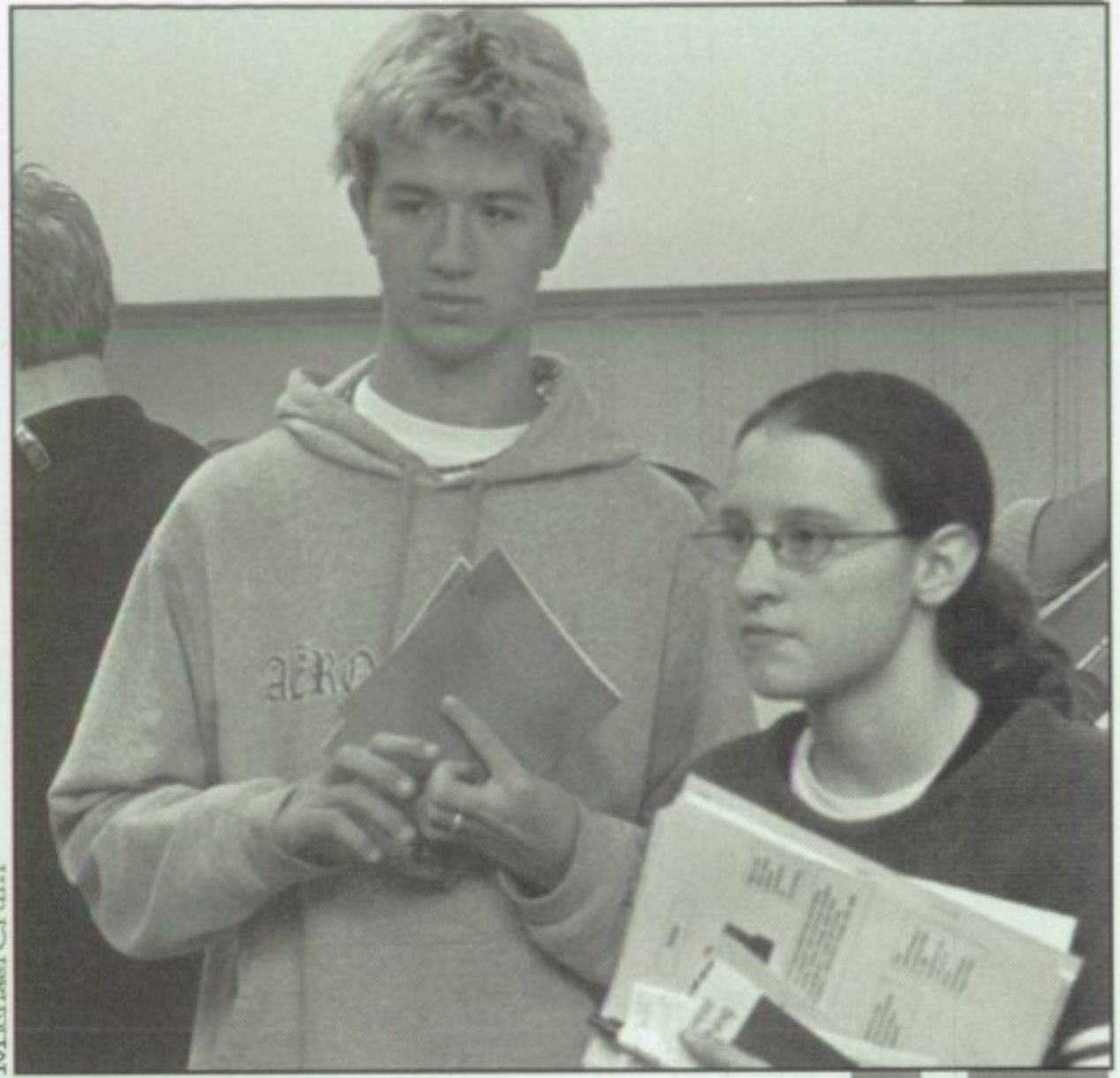


Freshmen **Peter Kostrunek** and **Stephanie Shank** help each other on a Career Center program. Students were allowed to work with partners on some programs. This aided the students in getting to know other students that were interested in the same career field.



Joey Anderson

While freshman Courtney Price looks on, freshman Treightin Yates works on a career program in the Career Center. There were many different programs in the Career Center that helped expand job possibilities for the students.



Michael Crum

Whadaya Think?

How has the Career Center helped you?

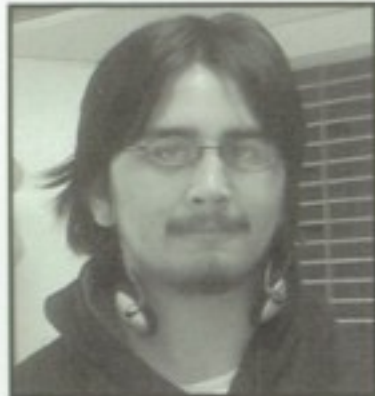


"I was absent and Mrs. Vlach helped me get an "A" on my Powerpoint project."

Andrew Bailie, 12

"It helped me with my Powerpoint projects."

Josh Villegas, 12



Brianne O'Neil

Seniors Aaron Farnam and Shari Gifford watch and listen as guest speakers talk about their company. Although many booths were run by the companies, some were run by people from East. These booths allowed companies to present job descriptions and meet possible future employees.

Career Center paraprofessional Lynda Rybar helps a student with their career research. The Internet was one of the many helpful resources used in the Career Center. This gave the students the opportunity to look at what they wanted to do for a future career.

A little more info...

2 PEOPLE WORKING IN CAREER CENTER

42% STUDENTS USED CAREER CENTER

58% STUDENTS DIDN'T USE CAREER CENTER

A little more info...

14,000 ITEMS IN THE CATALOG

12,000 BOOKS IN THE LIBRARY

3 PEOPLE WORKED IN THE MEDIA CENTER

10 YEARS MRS. PEITSCH WAS IN CHARGE OF THE MEDIA CENTER

Juniors Kelly Holsapple and Bonnie Johnson-Strawn work on the computer. Many students used the Media Center for various projects, research, and to do homework. A student copier, computer access, and thousands of books were a few of the many things the Media Center offered.

Taking a break from helping students, para Pam Rice reads the newspaper. Rice had worked at East for eight years. She had been a para for economics for six years, science for one year, and in 2002, Rice moved to the Media Center. "I enjoy working here," Rice said. "I get to work with fun people."



Sara Woolery

Whadaya think?

Do you think the Media Center is up to date?



"I think the Media Center should get new books and scanners."

Robbie Jenkner, 10

"I don't normally use the Media Center because they don't have the books I want."



Melissa Wood, 11

Resources available in Media Center

For students wanting to research and maybe just be in a quiet place, the Media Center was the place to be. Many resources and leisurely items were available in the Media Center.



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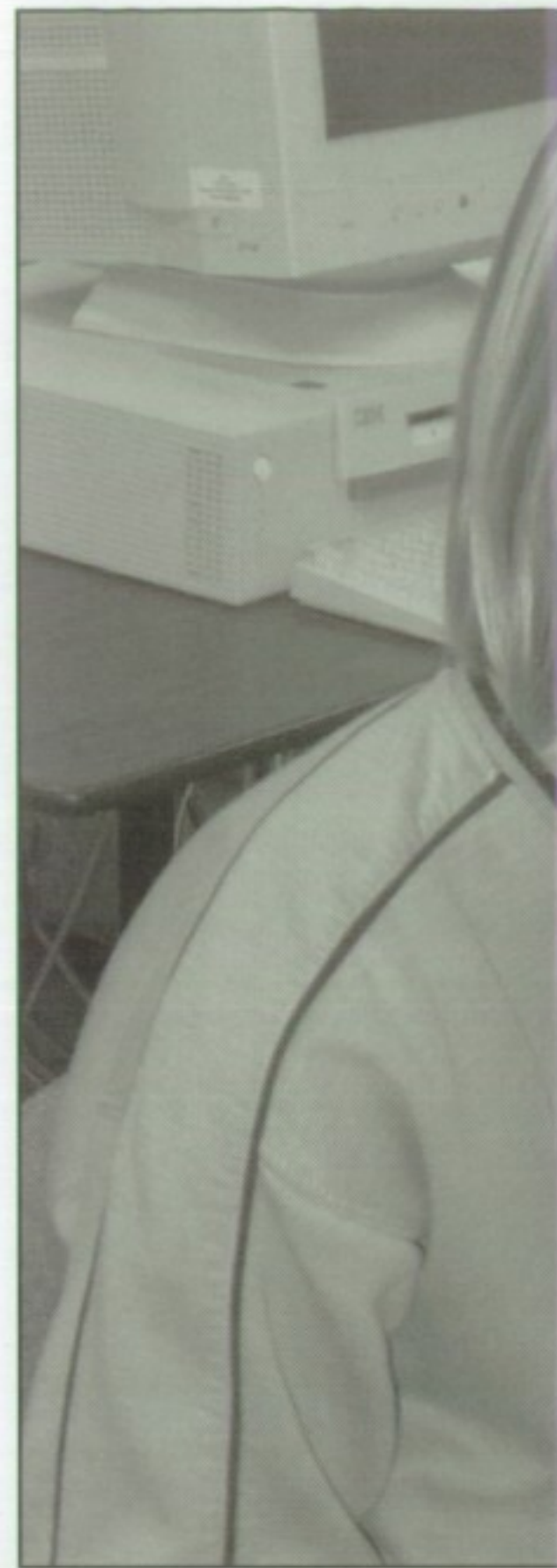
Joey Anderson

Junior **Terah Mitchell** uses the Media Center to make a copy. The copy machine was available to all students. Even though it cost ten cents a page, many students still used the copier for many different things, including pictures, encyclopedia information, and magazine articles.

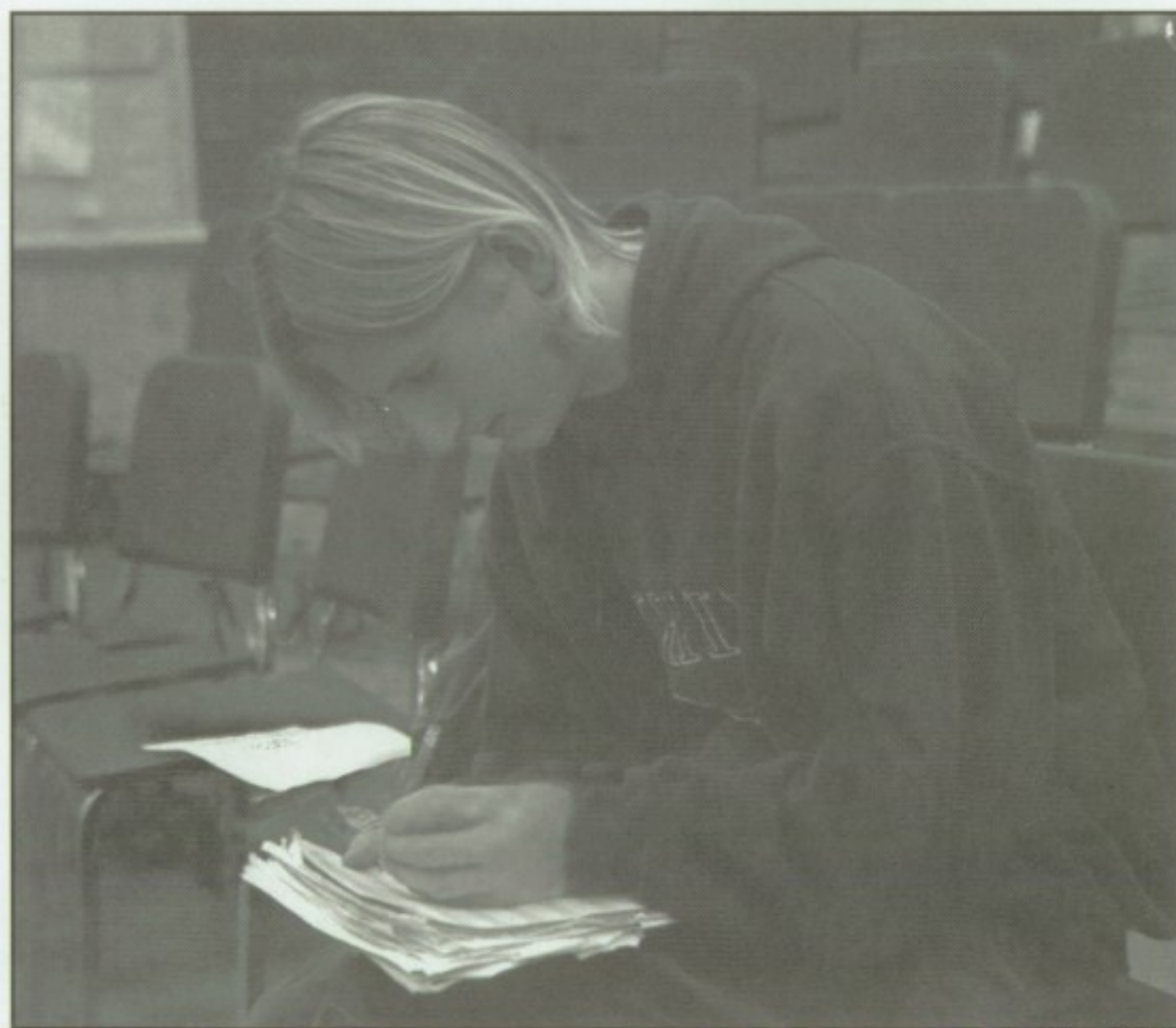
Media Specialist **Laura Pietsch** watches student teacher **Stephanie Touil** while she works on the computer. Pietsch taught English for ten years, five years at Mission Middle School and five years at Bellevue West. Pietsch then was the Media Specialist at Bellevue West for three years. Pietsch then moved to East and had been the Media Specialist for ten years. "The kids here are fun to work with," Pietsch said. "The teaching staff is also great."

Taking the chance to achieve goals

A long trip and adjusting to a new school in a new country were some of the things that foreign exchange students went through. The reasons they decided to study in the United States were very unique.



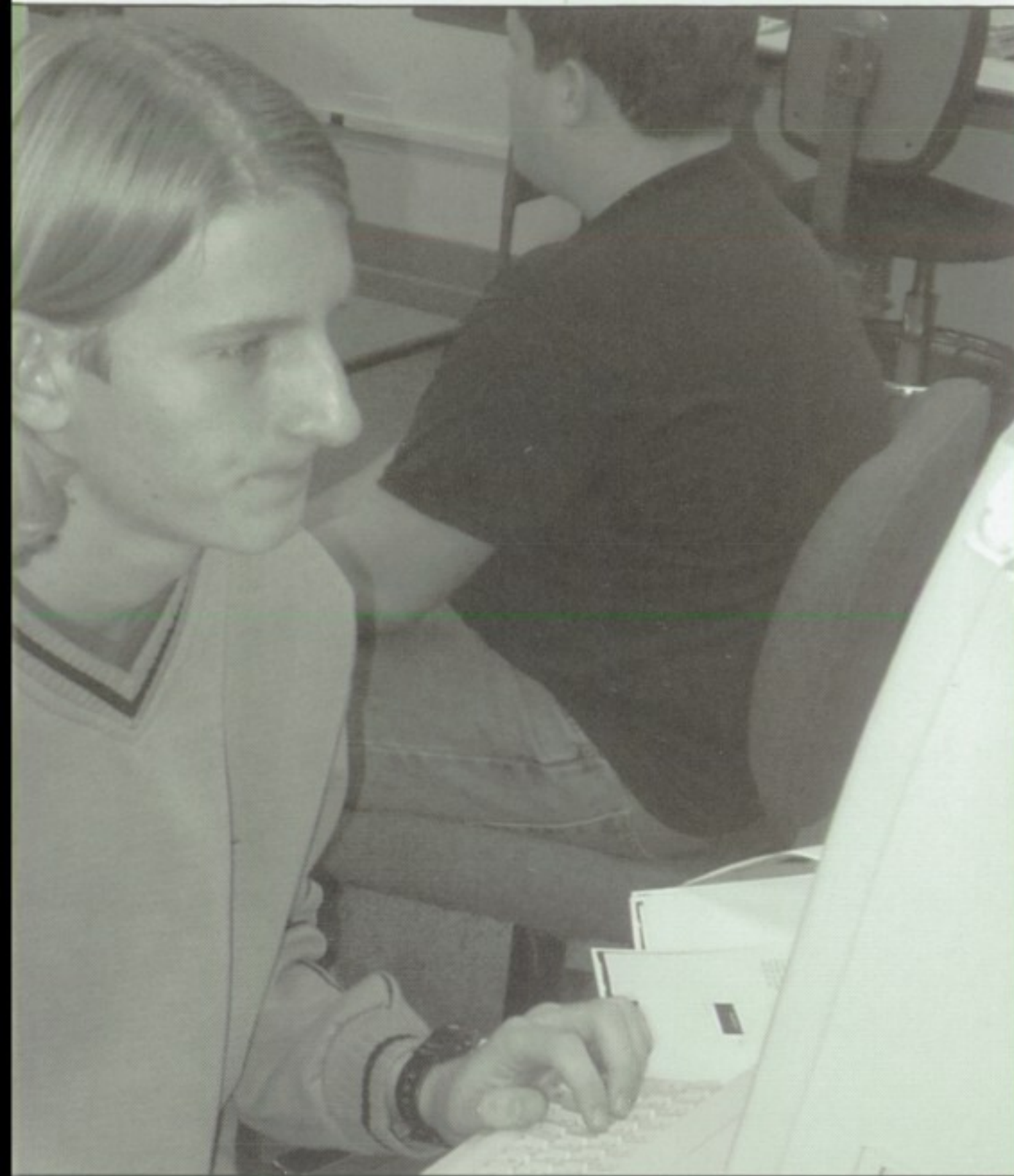
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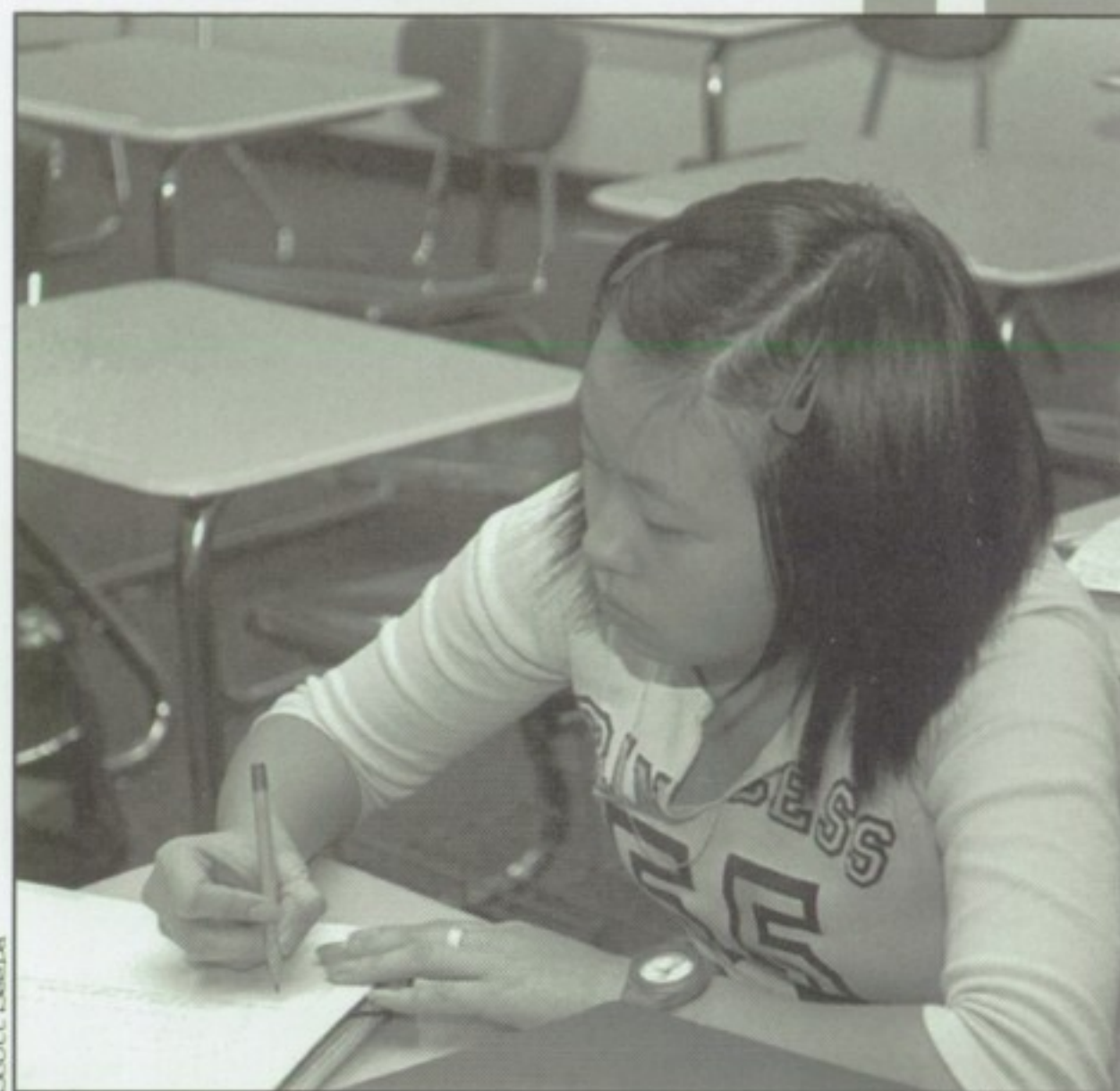
Getting ready for dress rehearsal, senior Jessie Jenkins curls the hair of foreign exchange student senior Ludmila Pak. Pak was a dancer in the fall production of Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*. Pak decided to study in the United States because she won a scholarship. "Most exchange students dream about coming here, but not many people get here," Pak said.

Foreign exchange student senior Peter Kowitz works on his music theory homework. Kowitz said that in Germany there were many unique classes to choose from. "There are many gym, art, and touristic classes in my country," Kowitz said. "Also, people have a lot more free time than they have here."



Michael Crum

German foreign exchange student senior Peter Kowitz works on an assignment in his keyboarding class. Kowitz said that he decided to study in the United States for a couple of reasons. "I wanted to learn English and a new culture," Kowitz said. "I also wanted to meet friendlier people."



Scott Soehn

During her Calculus AP class, foreign exchange student senior Ludmila Pak works tediously on her homework. "Homework in my country is much harder than it is here," Pak said. In Kyrgyzstan, Pak went to school Monday through Saturday, and there were only 11 grades.

Whadaya Think?

If you could be a foreign exchange student, where would you go and why?

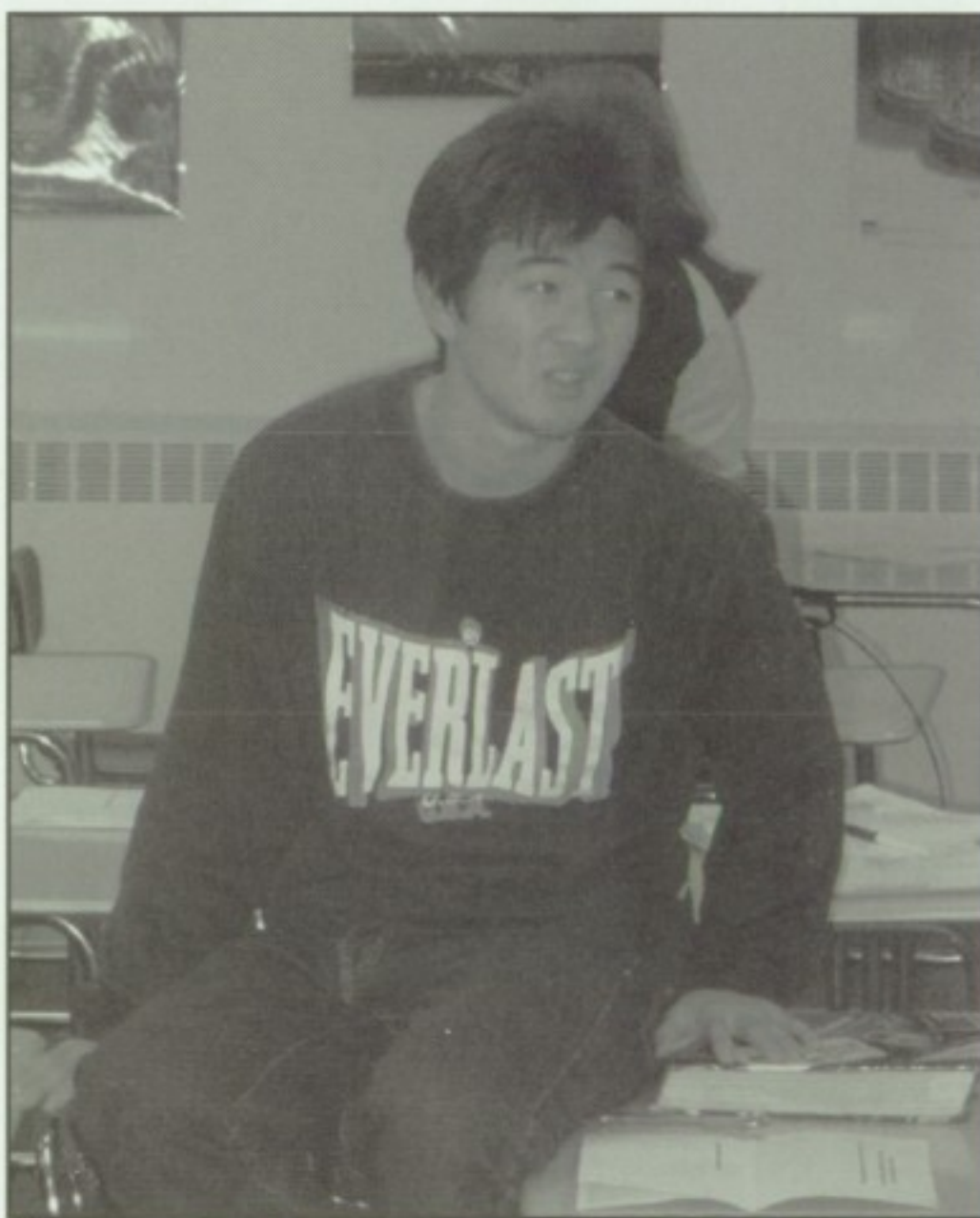


"I would like to go to Norway because that is where I am from."

Olaf Julsen, 10

"I would go to Spain because that is the only other language I know."

Katie Smith, 9



Michael Crum

During class, foreign exchange student senior Atsushi Maruoka from Japan sits on the desk and talks to another student. Maruoka said that he decided to study in the United States for one main reason. "I want to be an interpreter for a Japanese company, and so I will need to learn English," Maruoka said. "And I like soccer."

A little more info...

3 FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

4726 MILES FROM GERMANY TO BELLEVUE

6078 MILES FROM JAPAN TO BELLEVUE

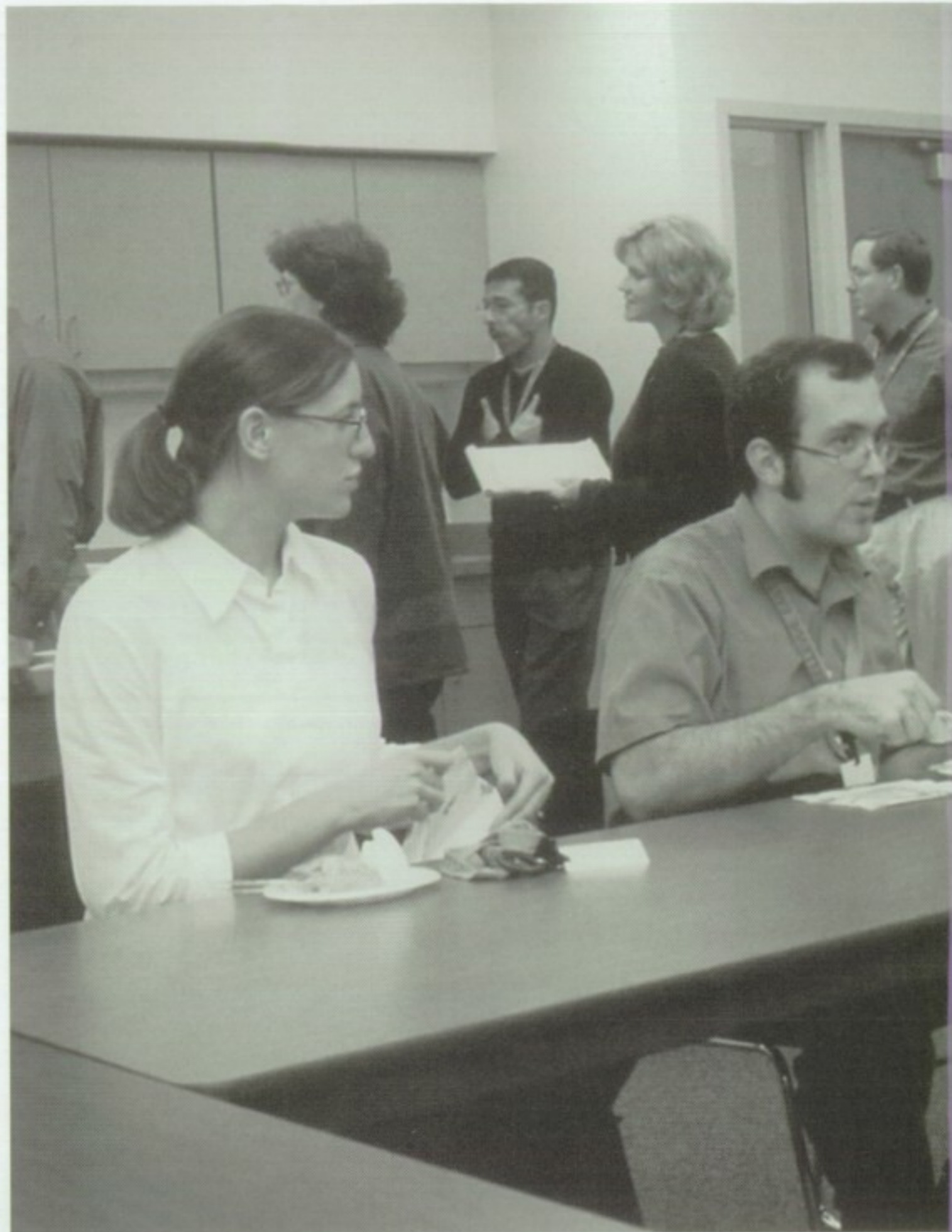
6615 MILES FROM KYRGYSTAN TO BELLEVUE

A little more info...

16	NEW TEACHERS
3	NEW ENGLISH TEACHERS
3	NEW FOREIGN LANGUAGE TEACHERS
1	NEW HISTORY TEACHER
1	NEW P.E. TEACHER
1	NEW SCIENCE TEACHER
2	NEW SPED TEACHERS
1	NEW BAND INSTRUCTOR
1	NEW FCS TEACHER
1	NEW MATH TEACHER
1	NEW DEAN
1	NEW COUNSELOR

New English teachers Megan Fiedler, David Bossman, and Brenda Nelson sit and talk at a new teachers' meeting. There were fourteen new teachers total this year, sixteen counting the new dean and new counselor, and when there was a new teachers' meeting, most teachers tried to attend.

New counselor Teresa Holton wears paper leaves for Halloween. She and three other staff members that work in the counseling office dressed up as the four seasons of the year. Janet Hansen was spring, Glenda Stunden was summer, Holton was fall, and Jackie Novotny was winter.



Sarah Eaton

Whadaya think?

What is the funniest thing that happened to you this year?



"When someone was throwing something away and it hit me in the back. I guess it was the expression on his face that was so funny."

Veronica Falkner,
Spanish teacher

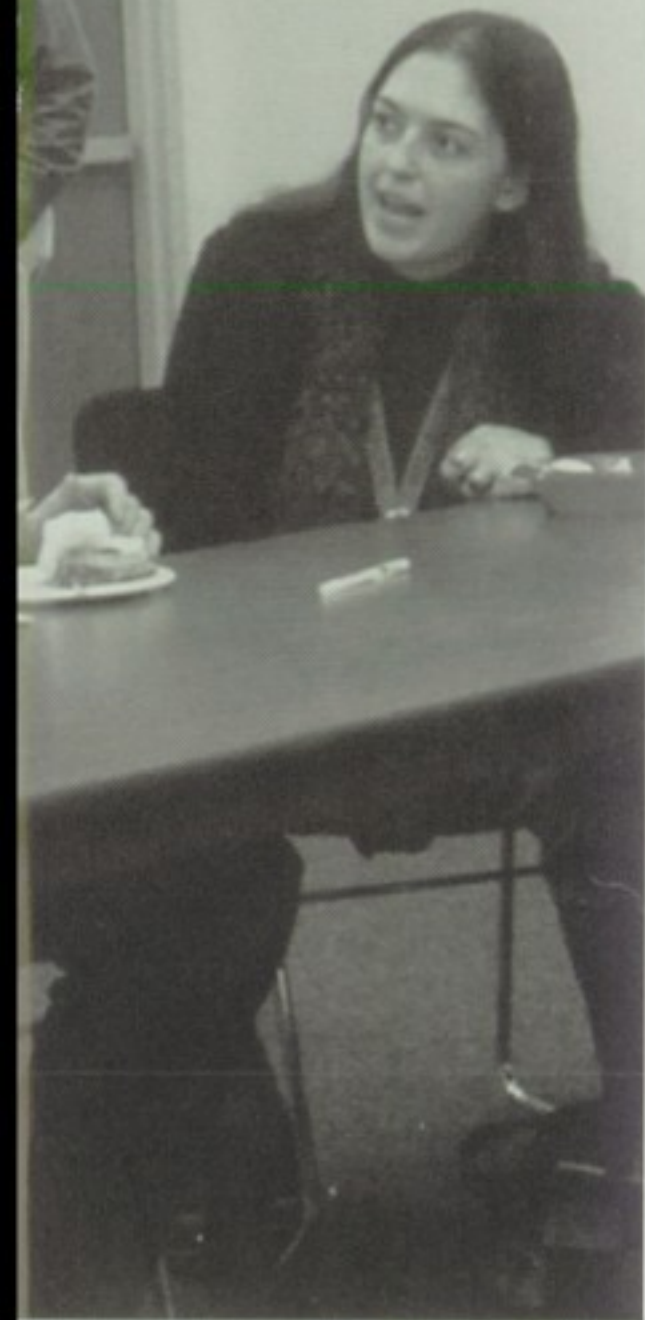
"Every day a 6th hour Spanish student came in and grunted to say 'Hi.'"

Kristen Thimijan,
French teacher



New teachers bring new perspectives

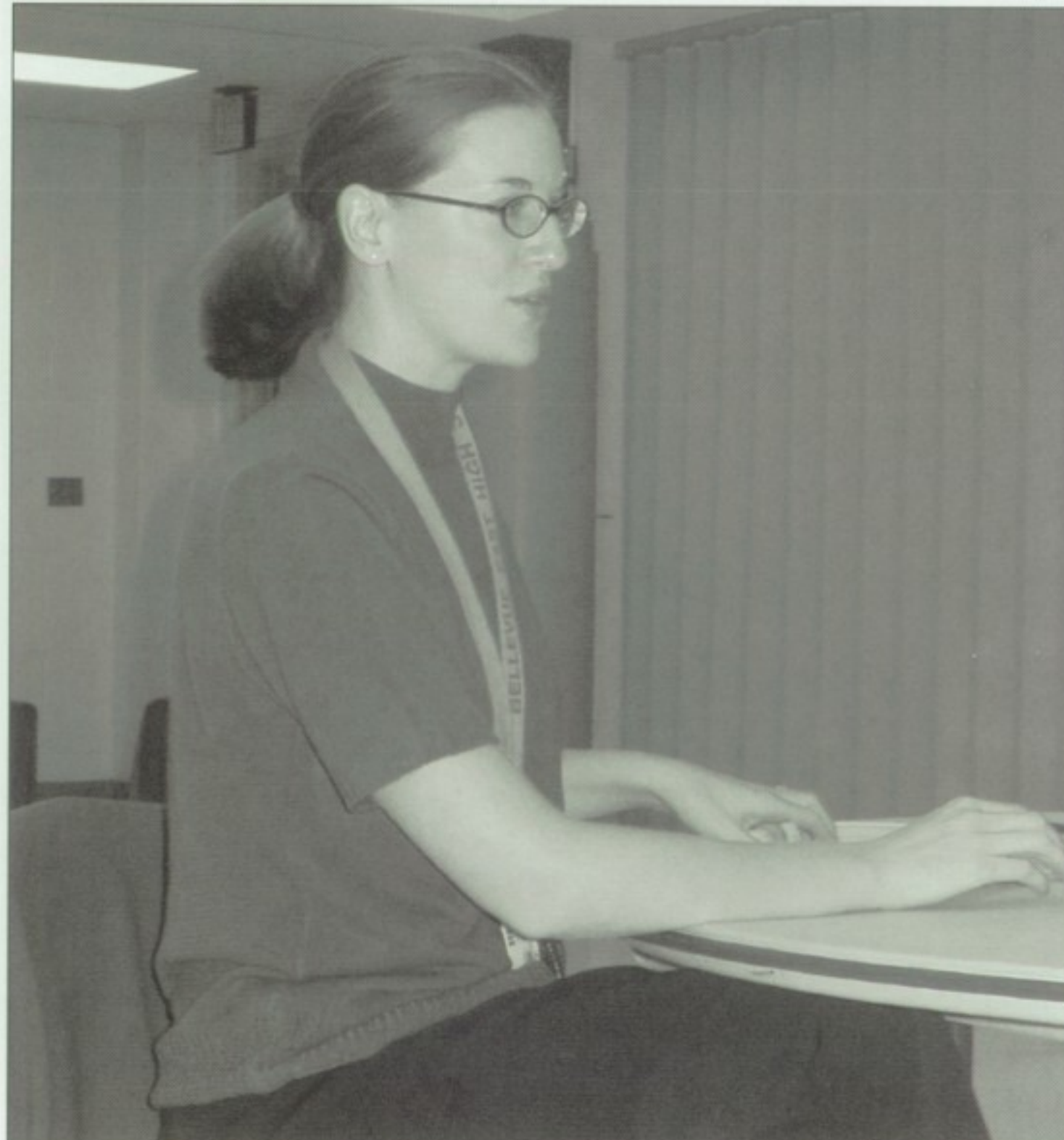
Additions to the faculty brought new perspectives on teaching. There were many new teachers and faculty members ready to take on the task of educating and informing the student body.



Joey Anderson



Joey Anderson



Sarah Eaton

New ROTC teacher **Richard Casey** helps freshman **Janeane Cervania**, one of his students, with an assignment. There were three ROTC teachers, **Bill Steele**, **William Ickes**, and Casey, and four levels of ROTC. Casey taught ROTC I, Ickes taught ROTC II, and Steele taught ROTC III and IV. ROTC could be taken all four years in place of a P.E. class.

New English teacher **Megan Fiedler** talks to one of her student's parents at parent-teacher conferences. Many parents went to parent-teacher conferences to see their student's teachers about how their child was doing in school and to see what their grades were like. Fiedler taught English 10, English 10A, English 11, and Study Hall along with helping the students before and after school if they needed it.

Whadaya think?

What is the most exciting/enjoyable thing about working in the counseling office?



"I guess it's the variety in the job and the impact I have on lives. It's neat that the littlest things make the biggest differences."

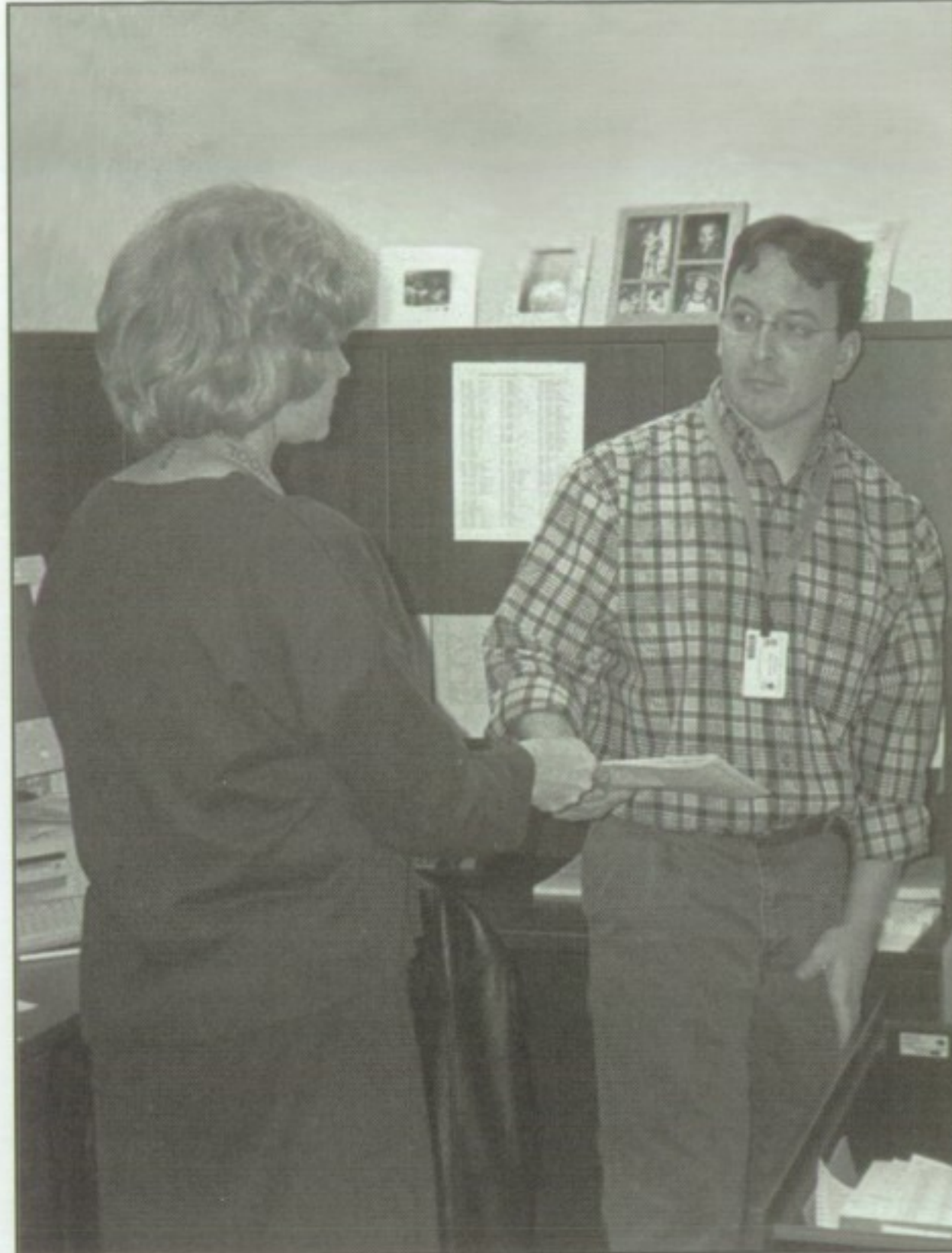
Janet Hansen,
Counselor

"Working with the other counselors that really care about the kids and also working with the kids on an everyday basis."



Jackie Novotny,
Counseling Office
Secretary

Counselors Teresa Holton and Mike Chudomelka exchange papers during the day. There were four counselors, Janet Hansen, Tory Juarez, Holton, and Chudomelka. Each counselor was assigned a different section of the alphabet according to the students' last names.



Shara Woolery

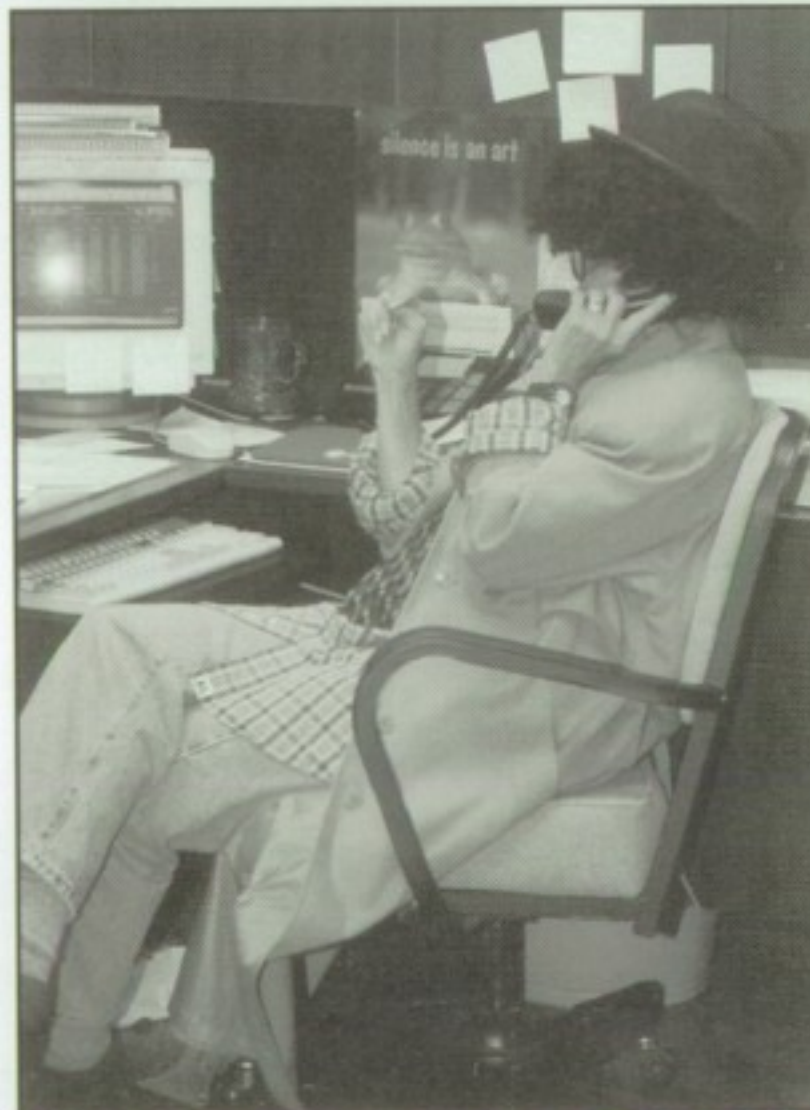


On Crazy Day, counselor Janet Hansen, dressed as a clown, talks on the phone while helping a student. Hansen was known for talking to and helping students while on the phone. "Every person is different and so every day is different, and that's why I like working here," Hansen said.

Senior Brian Hike and junior Nichole Griffey play a card game while they wait for something to do. Hike and Griffey were 6th hour aides for the counseling office. If there weren't any passes to give to teachers, and the student aides didn't have homework, they had to find something to do.

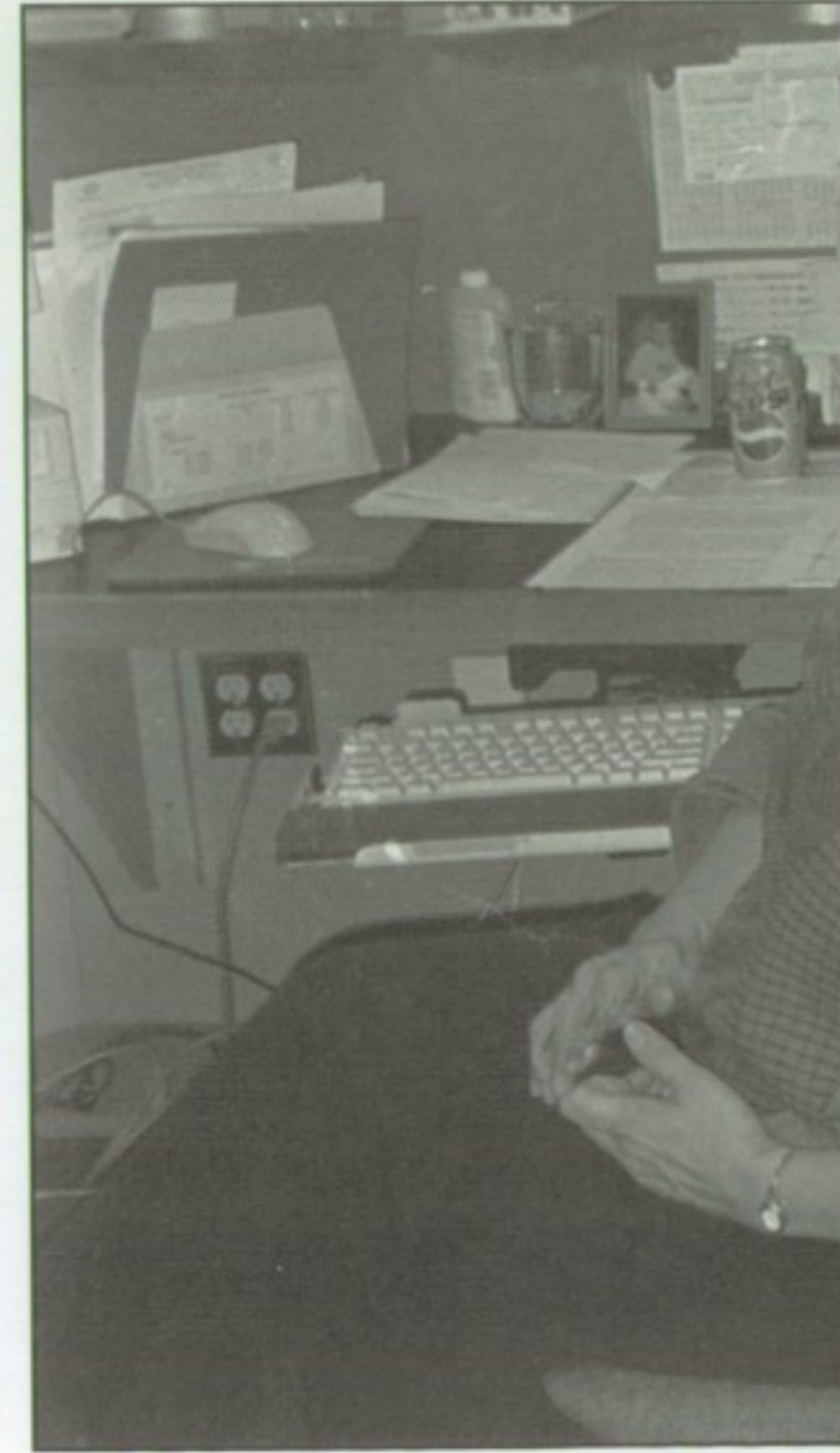


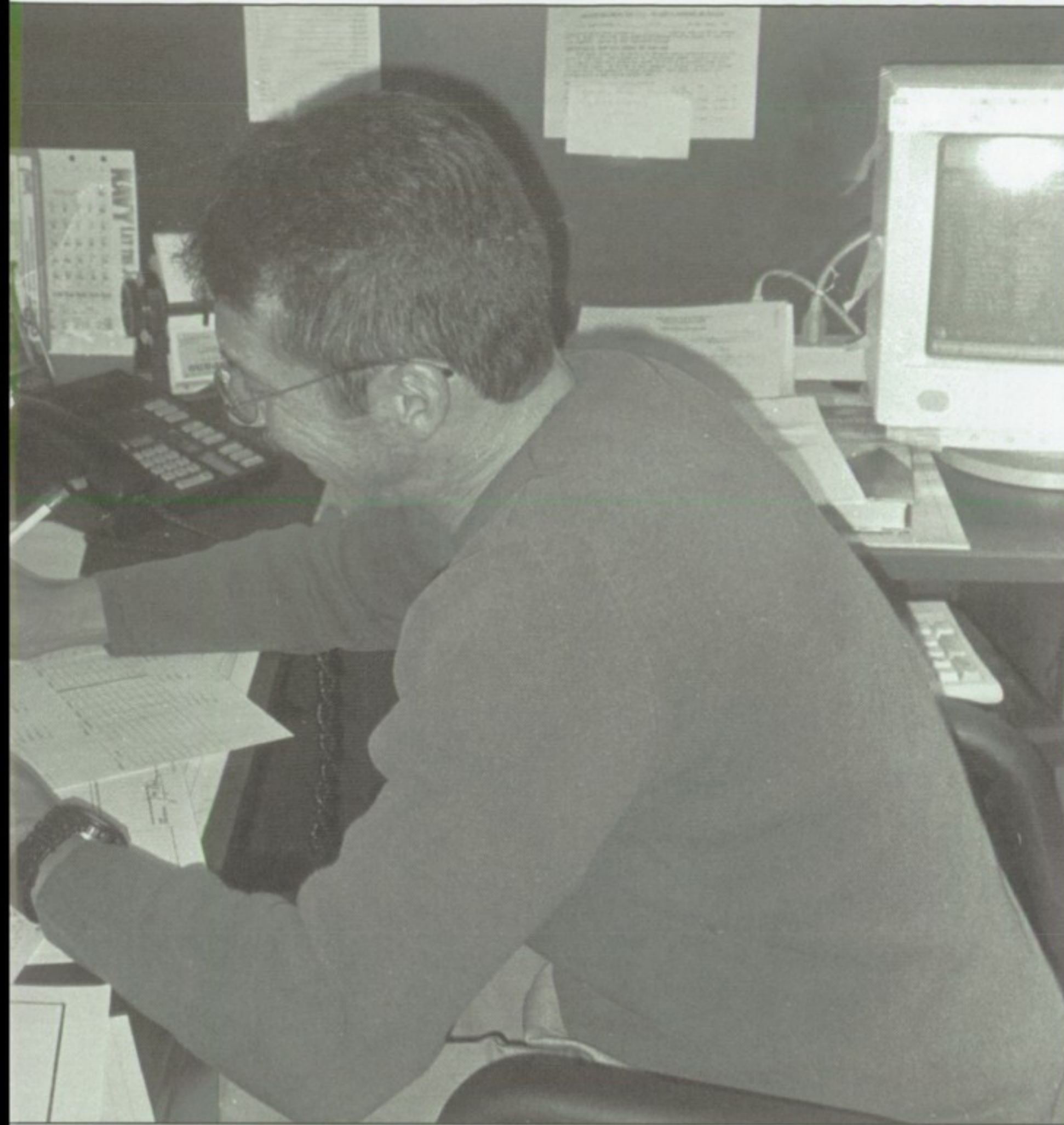
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Counseling office secretary Jackie Novotny works on something on the computer. Novotny helped students change their schedules and find out information about other classes. Even though Novotny wasn't a counselor, she helped just about the same as the other counselors.





Sara Woolery

Sitting at his desk, counselor Tory Juarez works on a paper. Through the course of a day, counselors had to both fill out and sign a lot of papers. Along with filling out and signing papers, and changing schedules, the counselors had to give support and help to students when they needed it. It was Juarez's second year, and experienced many different situations with students.

A little more info...

4 counselors

7 people total worked in the counseling office

70-100 students and people visited the counseling office per day

17 student aides



Britany Bishop

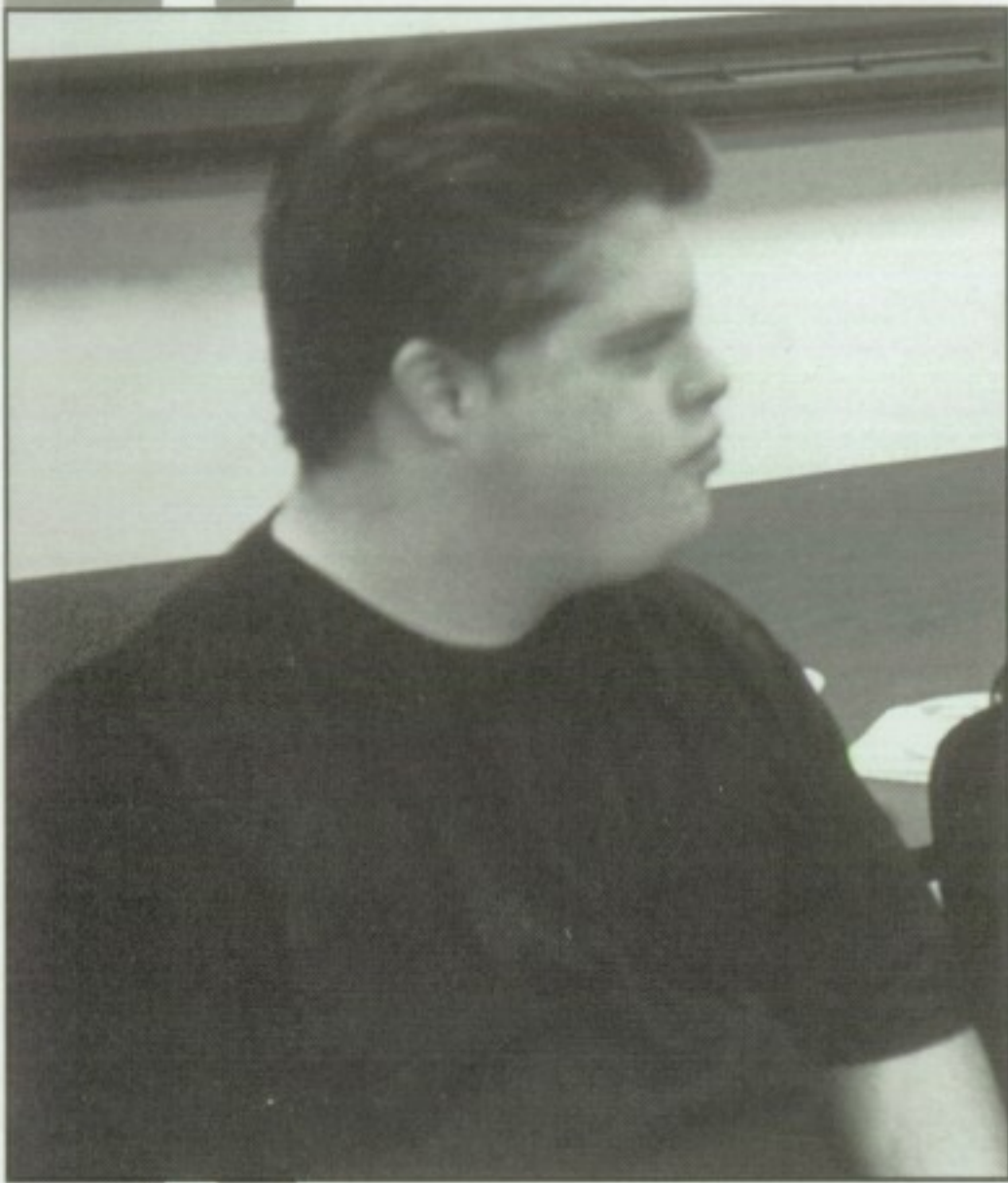
Counselors go above and beyond to help

Counselors went above and beyond to help students, change schedules, and give moral support. They also assisted in helping students plan for college entrance.

Senior Robert Bulinski pays very close attention to the directions that his teacher is giving. The students, as a part of the special education curriculum, did many activities every day. Counting money, telling time, and cooking were a few of the many activities they participated in. They also did domestic tasks such as cleaning up, setting a table and sweeping.

As a part of their Christmas celebration, senior Adam Puesman and sophomore Jason Milos string lights for the Christmas tree. As a part of an annual event, the students decorated a Christmas tree for the office at Offut Air Force Base. This was just a small part of what the students did for the community. They also worked at different places to get them ready to work.

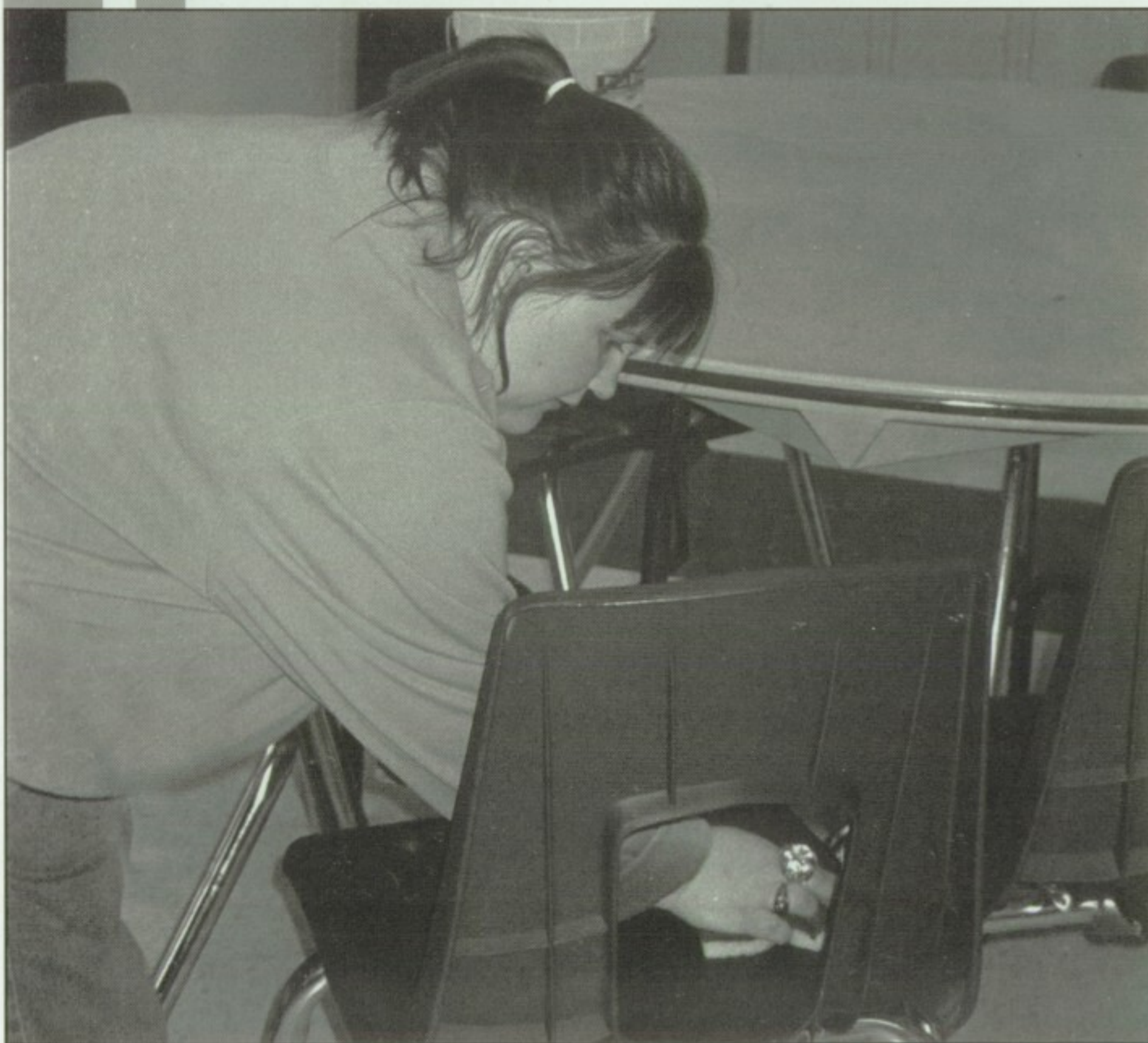
During the day, junior Joshua Ryan works on his motor skills by playing a game. If he got the ball in the right egg carton hole, he received a piece of candy. Karen Lehman decided to be a special education teacher after other options. Lehman said, "When I was 11, I babysat a girl with cerebral palsy. I then wanted to be a physical therapist but that didn't work out."



Scott Seeba



Scott Seeba



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Whadaya Think?

What is your favorite part of school?



"I like doing Richard Simmons in P.E. class."

Jason Milos, 10

"I like doing work in math class."

Katrina Freeman, 11



After lunch, junior Katrina Freeman washes off tables. The students were allowed to work in the community as well. They worked at Walmart, Shopko, Baker's, and Bellevue University. They stocked dairy products, put clothes back on hangers, and were custodial clericals. These jobs helped them decide what kind of job they wanted.



Special Education helps students understand

Between helping pick up the cafeteria and doing what every other normal student did, the special education students tried their hardest just to fit in and get what they need to get done, done.

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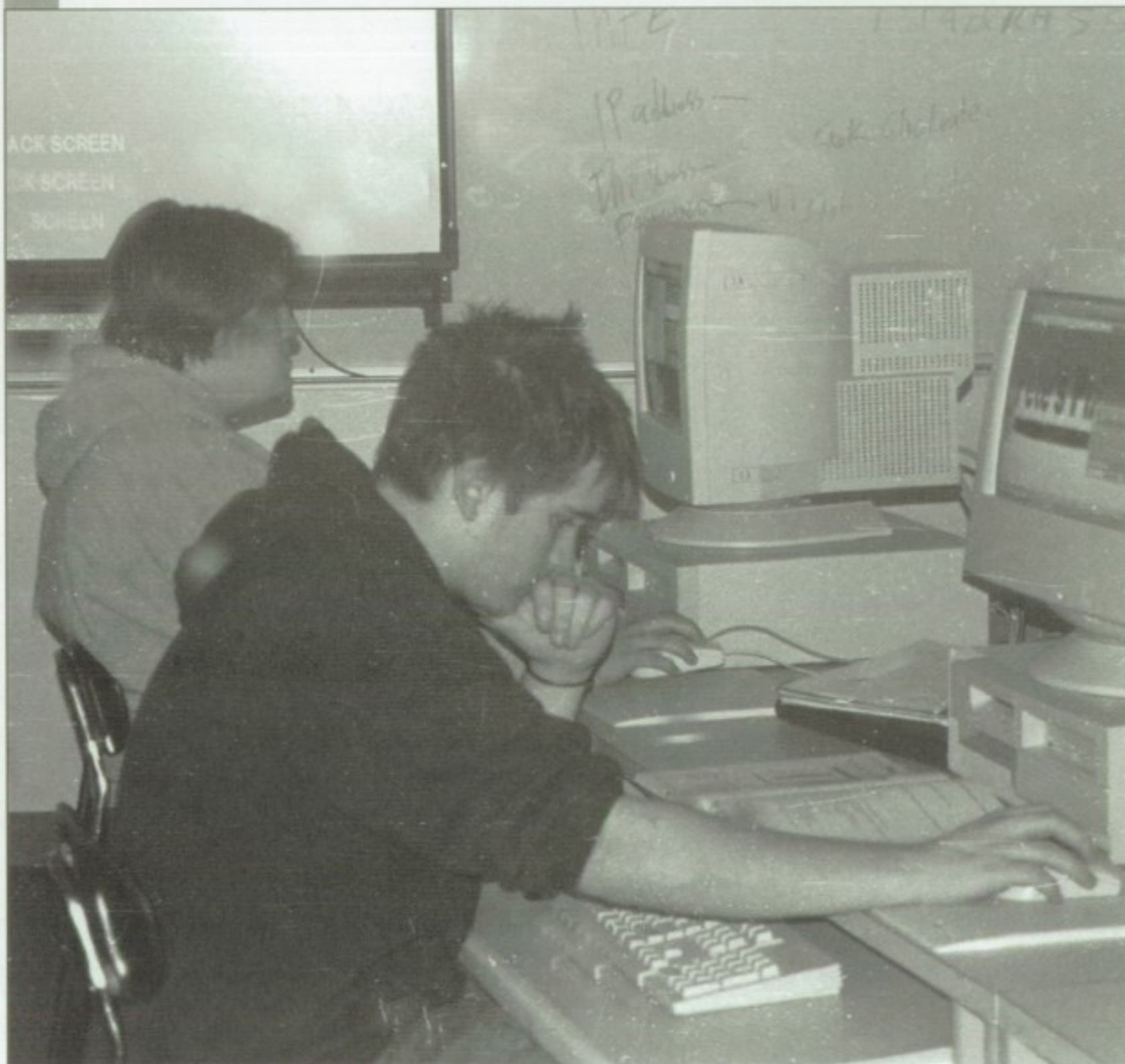
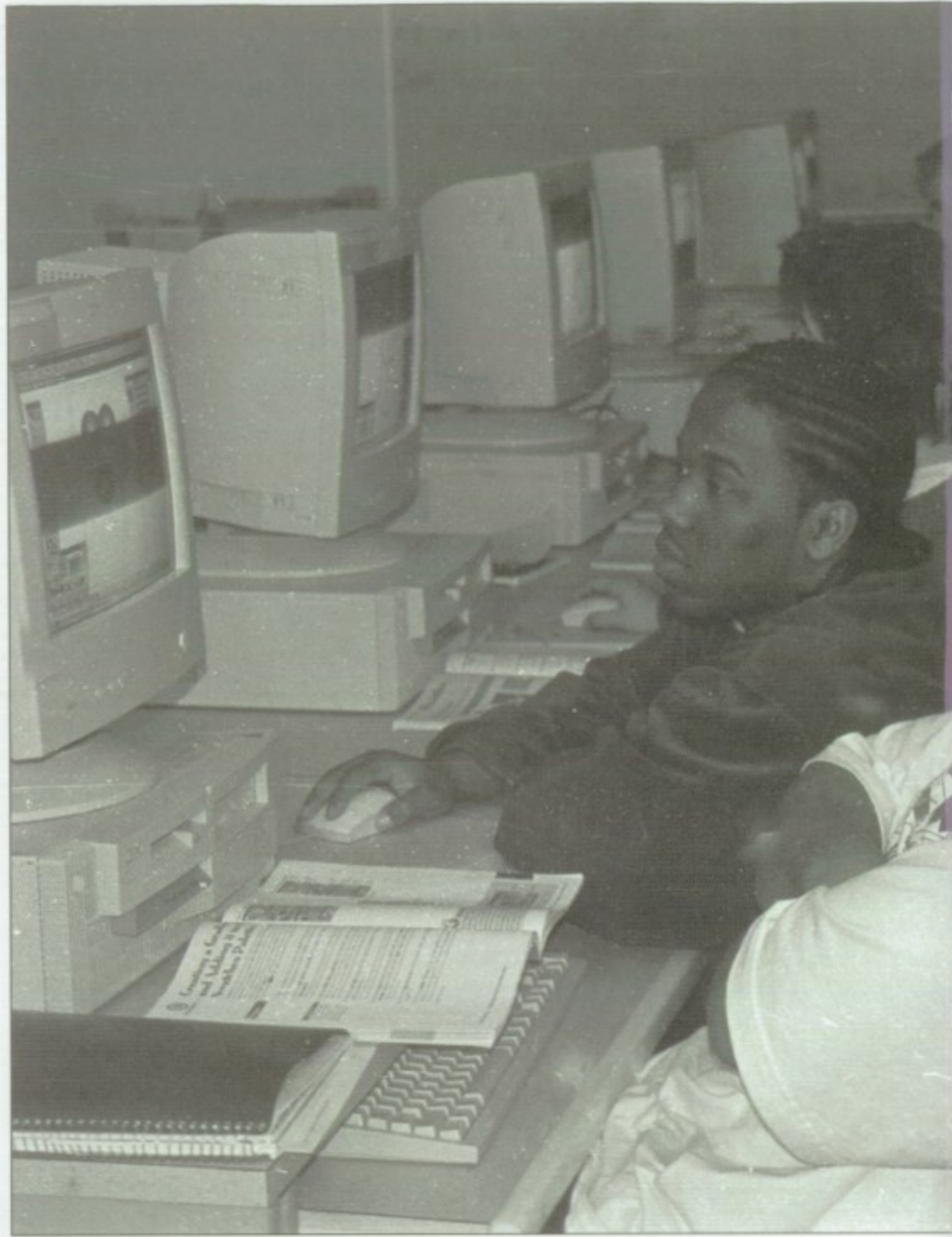
\$1200 A MONTH WAS THE TRADING POST'S GOAL

4 PEOPLE WORKED IN THE TRADING POST, INCLUDING SENIOR BART DENNIS

11 OR 12 WAS THE GRADE STUDENTS HAD TO BE IN TO WORK IN THE TRADING POST

While trying to work on a project during Multimedia, senior **Benn Watson** helps senior **Bryan Bell** find information. Teacher **Bill Jelkin** enjoyed teaching the class. "It's different to teach because it's more book than teacher oriented," Jelkin said. "I'm just there to help."

During Multimedia class, junior **Stephen Phillips** and senior **Jennifer Cox** work on their projects. A variety of applications were used including PowerPoint, Publisher, and Adobe Illustrator. Multimedia was a course that introduced the theory and use of text, graphics, audio, and video in presentations.



Burgundy, Ohio

Whadaya think?

Why did you take a Business class?



"To see how insurance works with a car."

Ashley Murphy,
11

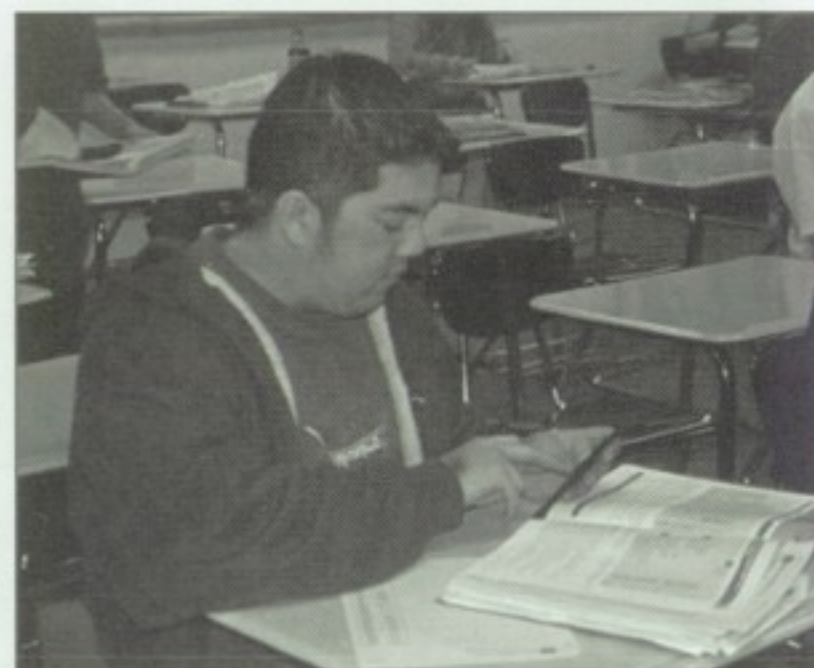
"To be able to manage a business."

Bethany Hall,
11



An inside look at the outside world

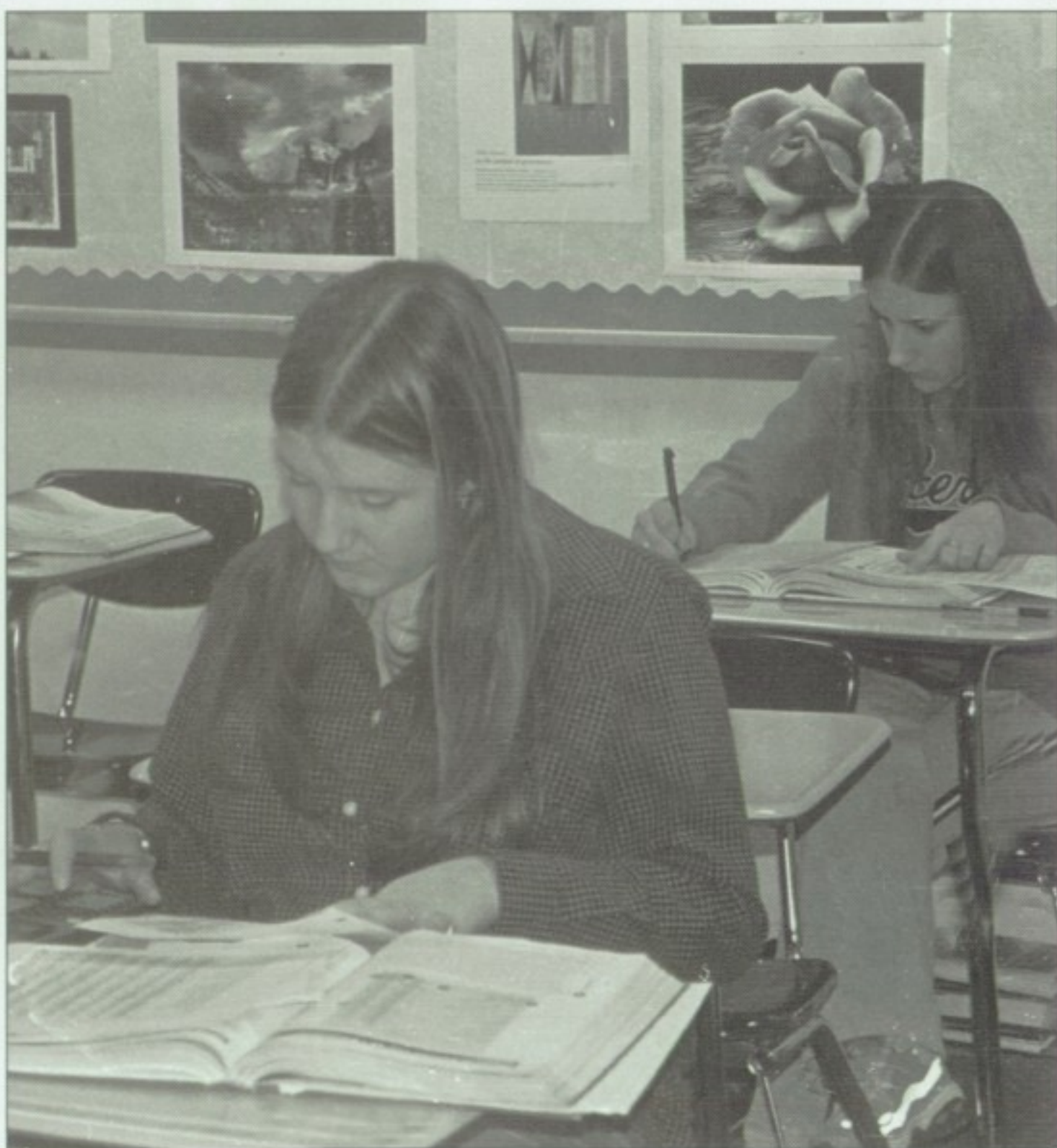
Whether it was Keyboarding or Multimedia, Business classes had a way of teaching lessons that would pertain to students throughout their lives.



Burgundy Ohio

While in Accounting class, senior **Chris Douglas** works on an accounting assignment. According to Accounting teacher **Brenda Ellis**, Accounting was essential for everyone no matter what field they chose. "Accounting runs the world. It would be neat if more students would be in the class, because everyone needs and wants money, but nobody knows how to manage it," Ellis said.

Senior **Nicole Krom** and junior **Laurie Grout** do book work so that they can ask questions during class. Accounting I and Advanced Accounting aided students in learning how to manage large companies. In Accounting students learned how to keep records, which was necessary for partnerships and corporations. This helped them learn how to do payroll, merchandising and inventories. It was everything that students needed in order to manage a business.



Burgundy Ohio

Whadaya think?

What is the best part about art class?



"I like the freedom to do what I want."

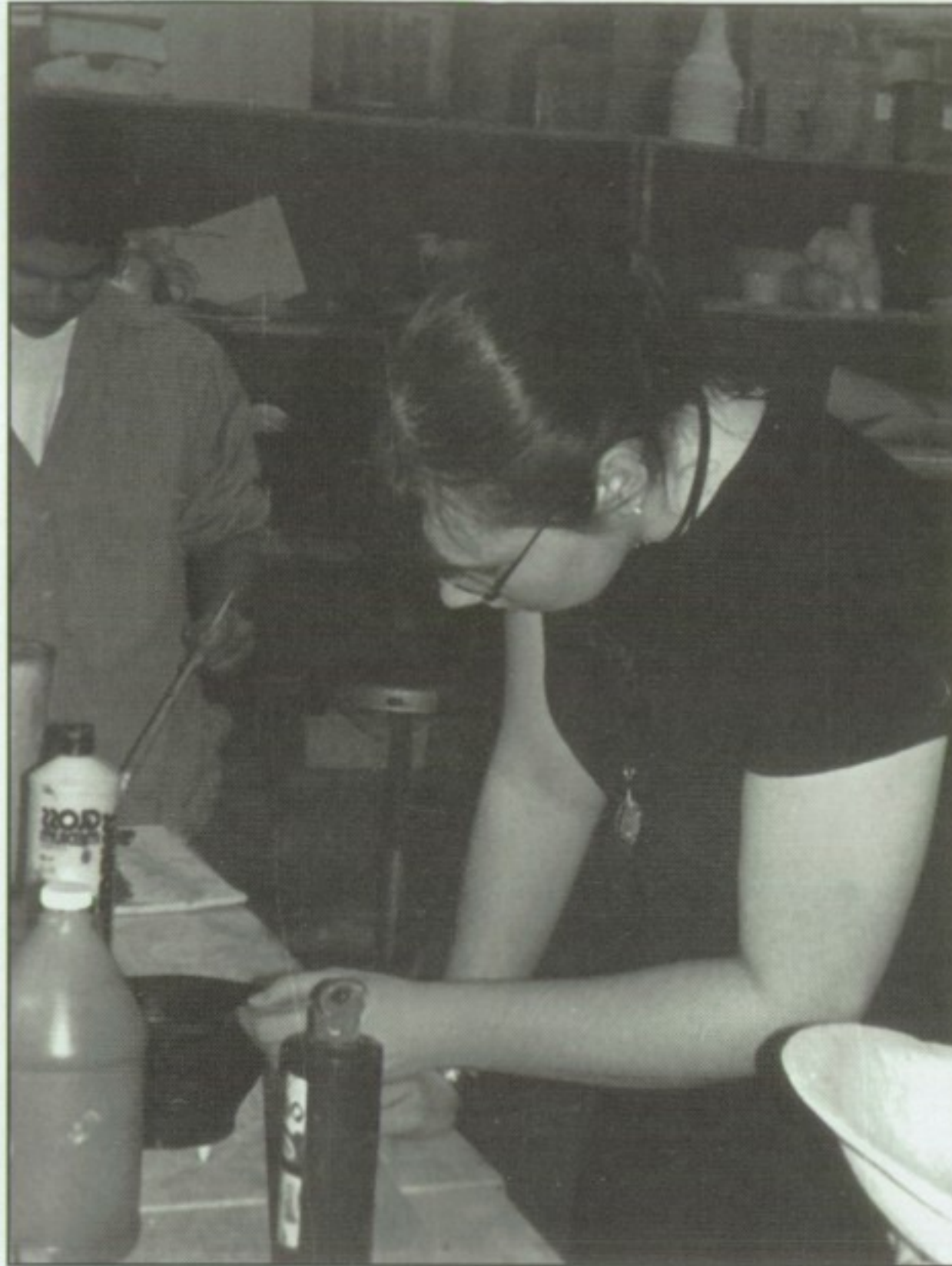
Terah Mitchell, 11

"The act of conceiving the art."

Joe White, 12



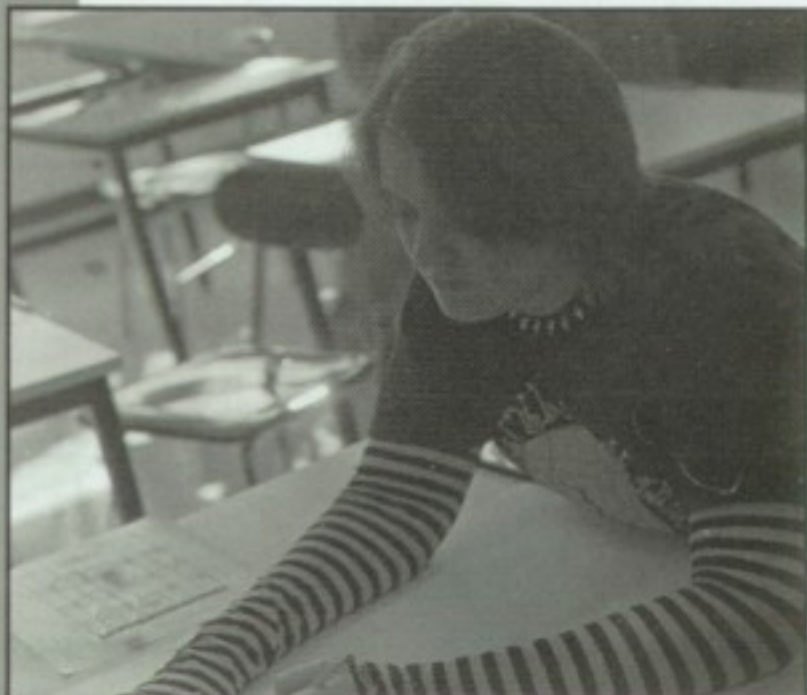
Junior **Amanda Edie** mixes paint while in Art. Edie was in 6th hour 3D Art with teacher **Greg Hartel**. For many of the projects they did, the students had to mix their own paint. It was easier for them to do it themselves so that they knew what shade they were going to get.



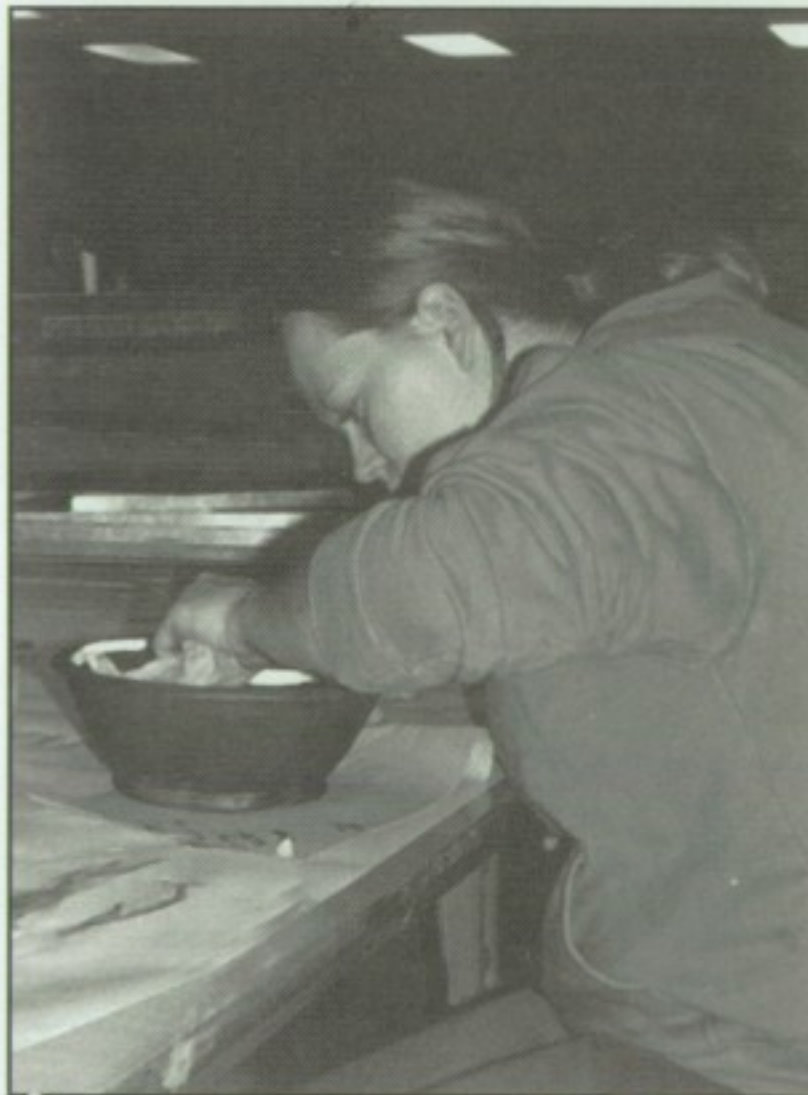
Sara Woolery

While in 6th period 3D Art class with teacher **Greg Hartel**, senior **Nichole Hernandez** kneads clay for a clay pot. Students had a chance to be creative with their projects. The clay creations varied from pots to vases. In 3D Art, students made sculptures and pottery.

Sketching a rough draft from a grid for her project, junior **Francis Reis** works during 1st hour Thesis Art. The students found it easier to first do a rough draft and then later do a final draft. This helped the students to make their projects state of the art.

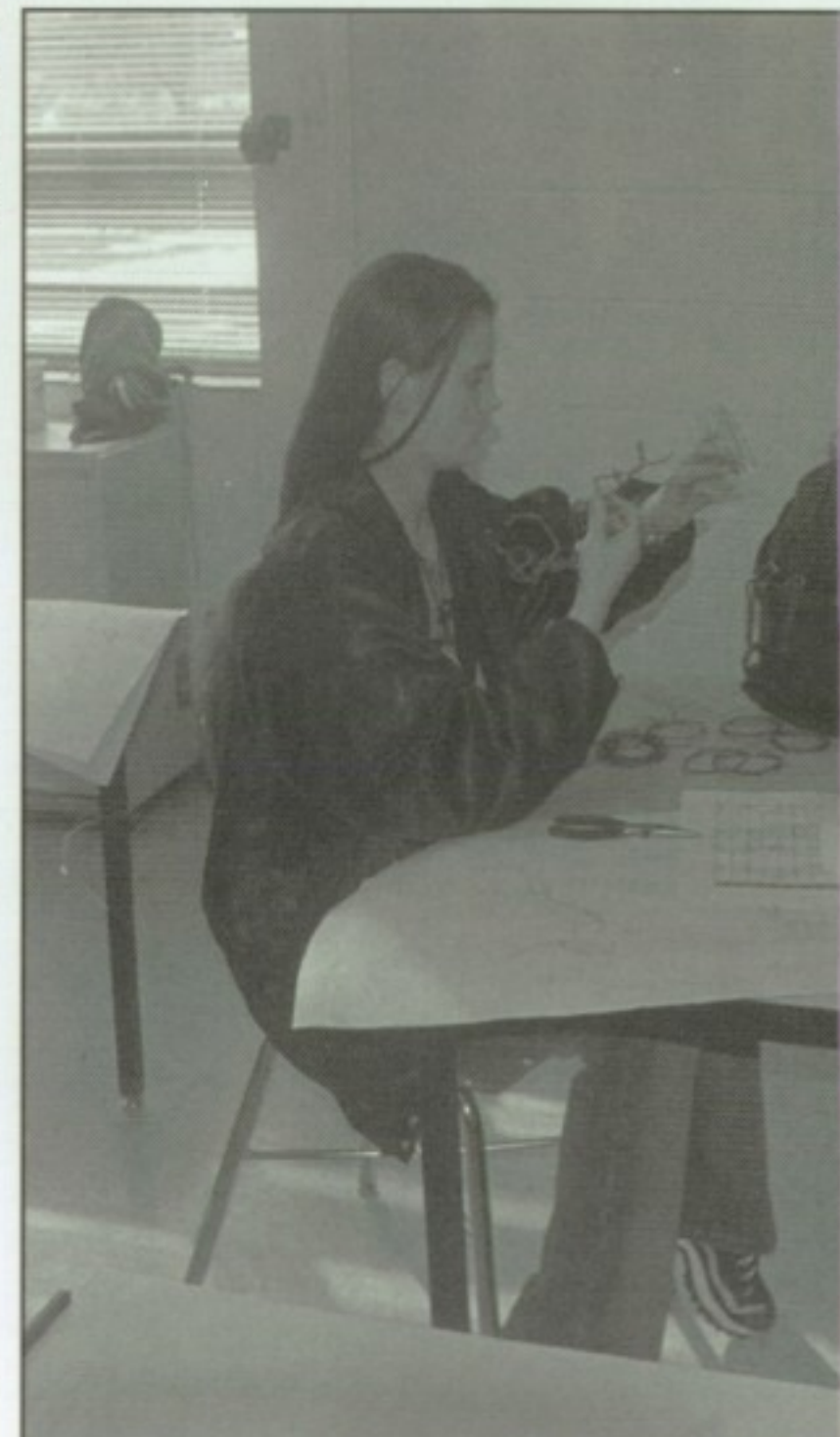


Hannah Chandler



Sara Woolery

Senior **Casandra Woods** cuts crafting wire to build a 3D sculpture. Woods was in both 3D Art with teacher **Greg Hartel** and Art Thesis with teacher **Bob Keller**. Being in two Art classes gave the students a chance to do various art projects that they wouldn't get to do in just one Art class.





Scott Seaton

During 7th hour Art class, junior Teresa Daniels writes in Calligraphy. Although some of the art projects were more difficult than others, the students were given an allotted amount of time, two weeks or less, to work on the assignments in class. If they did not finish in their given time, they were allowed to take them and finish on their own time. In some cases it was easier to just finish in class

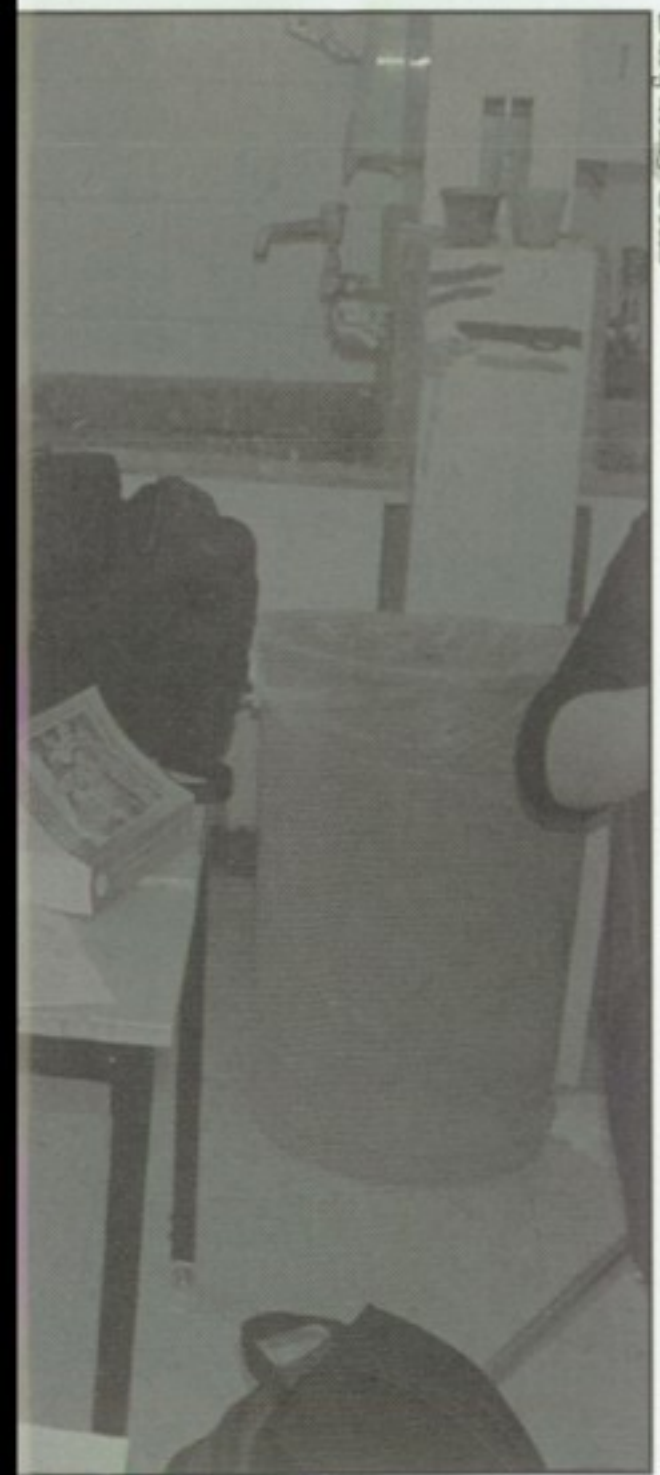
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5 CLASSES:

- INTRO TO ART
- INTRO TO ART/THESIS
- 2D/ADV 2D/THESIS
- 2D/ADV 2D/3D/THESIS

2 TEACHERS:

- GREG HARTEL
- BOB KELLER



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Creative minds bring many views to life

Not just painting but sculpting, print-making, and photography were all a part of art. Many students created works of art using different techniques and designs.

A little more info...

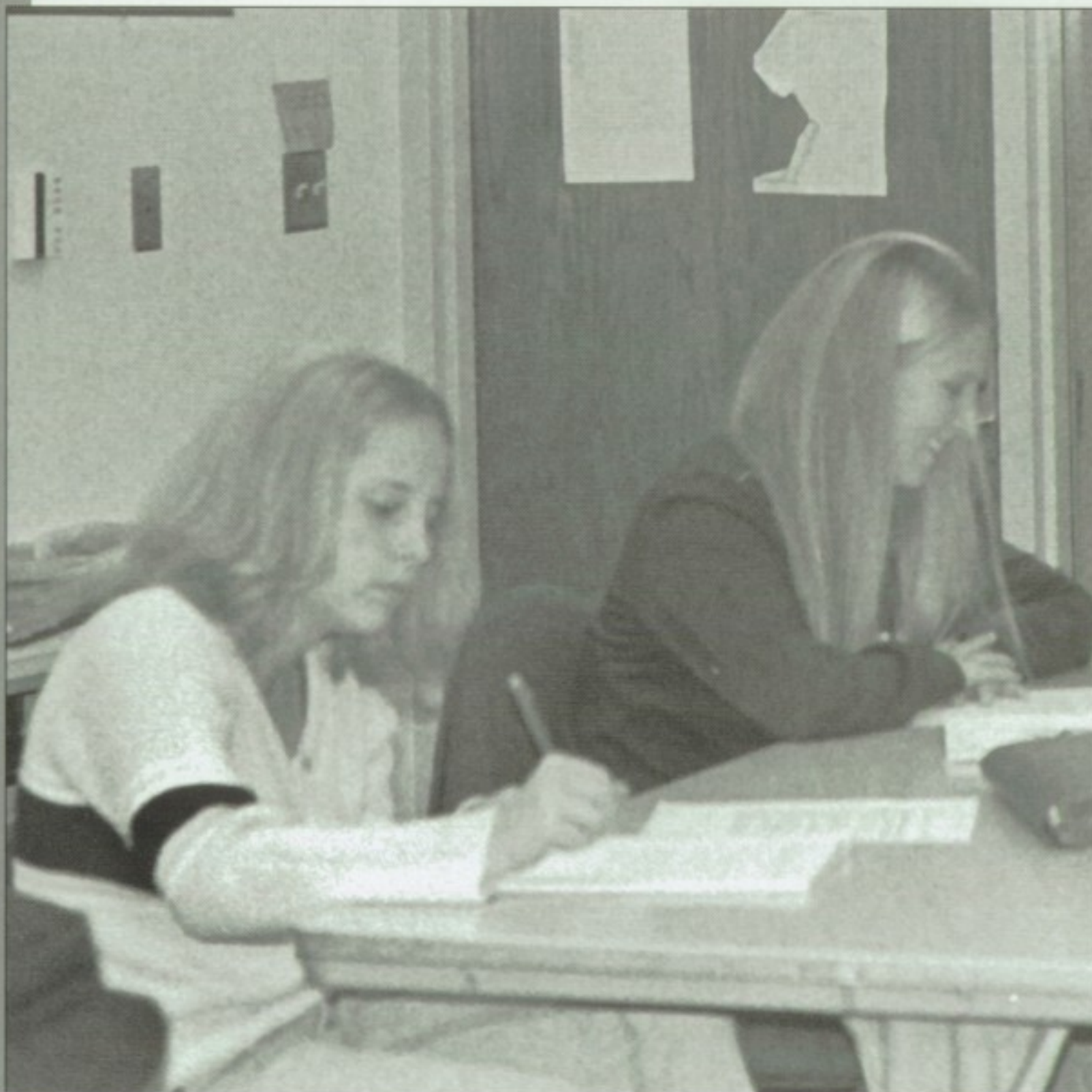
710 PREREQUISITE
STUDENTS

17 PREREQUISITE
CLASSES

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While in Intro to Art, sophomore Ed McCaskill writes in calligraphy. After spilling his ink bottle on his first draft, McCaskill had to start over. Intro to Art allowed students to do projects involving painting, printmaking, drawing, computer graphics, photography, sculpture, and ceramics.

Sophomores Allison Davies and Tara Billings practice writing leads in class. Journalism 1 involved many things, such as writing stories, taking pictures, interviewing, and writing leads. These skills were essential to go on to either the Tom Tom or Chieftain staffs.



Jessica Brown

Whadaya Think?

Why is it so essential to take a prerequisite class?



"You learn a lot in J 1 that is essential in order to be on staff."

Carlos Figueroa,
12, Newspaper

"Woods 1 showed me how to use machines and how to be safe."

Joey Eckerman,
10, Woods 2



One extra step worth it in the end

Many classes required a prerequisite or "first" class in order to take further classes. Journalism 1, Woods 1, Foods 1, and Drama 1 were a few of the many prerequisite classes offered at East.



Sarah W. Colery



Nikola Slotter

Working carefully, junior Richard Villagomez uses a table saw in woods class. In Woods 1, there were many different tools and machines used. According to numerous students, the best part of woods was learning all of the essentials so you could take that with you to Woods 2 and make it that much easier.

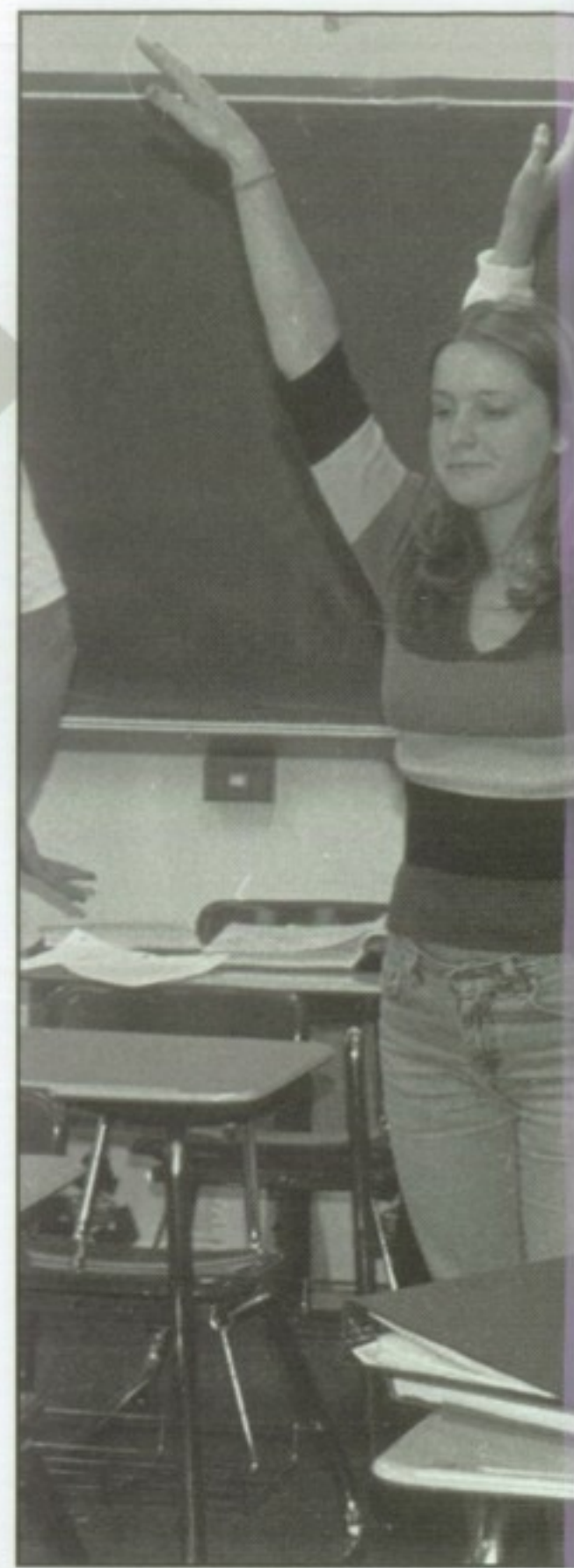
Learning how to cook a dish in Foods 1, senior Andrea Ruch stirs the food. In recent years, there were many cases of seniors in prerequisite classes. "I just wanted something different for my senior year," Ruch said, "and I need to learn how to cook, so this is the best way."



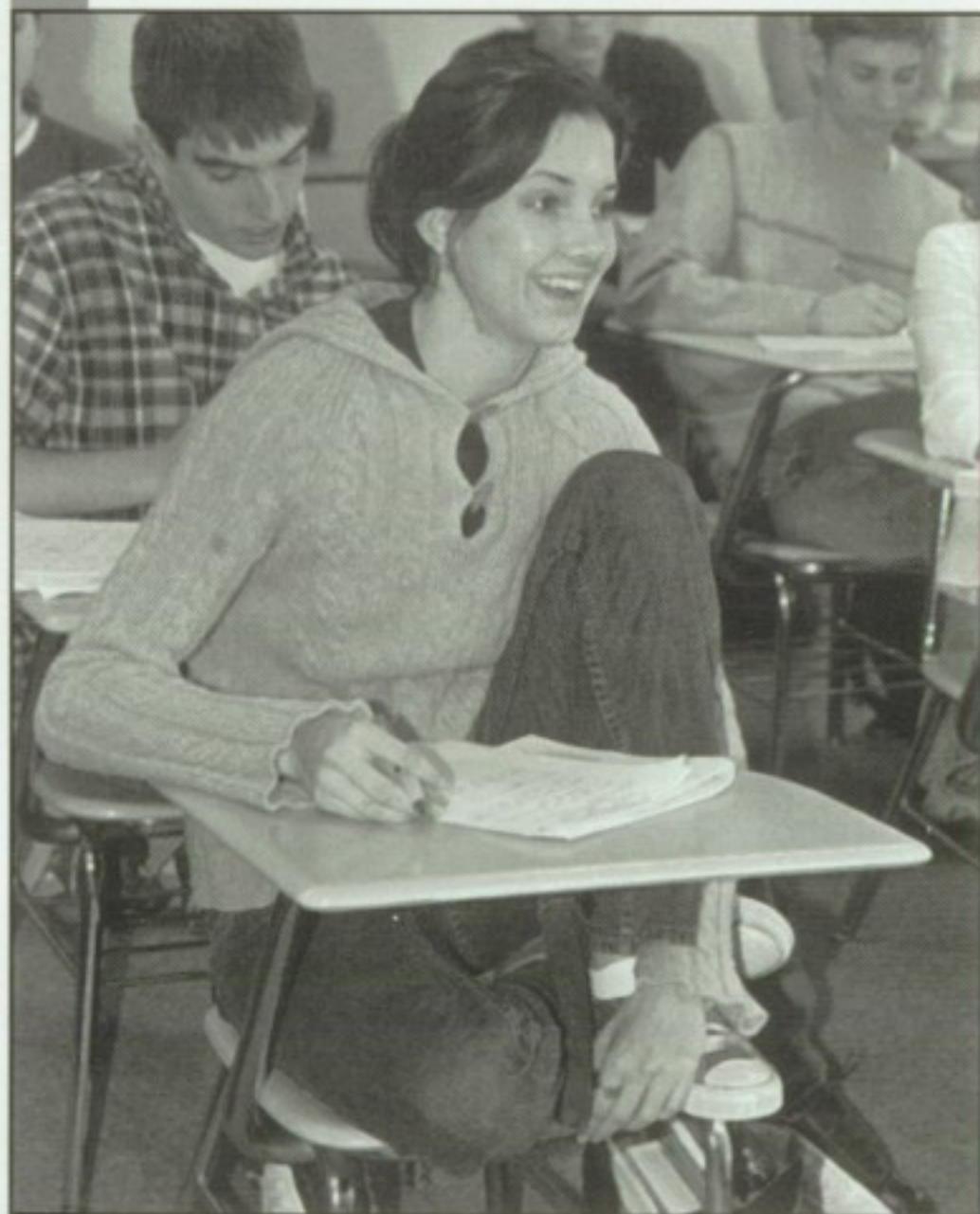
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AP classes prepare students for college

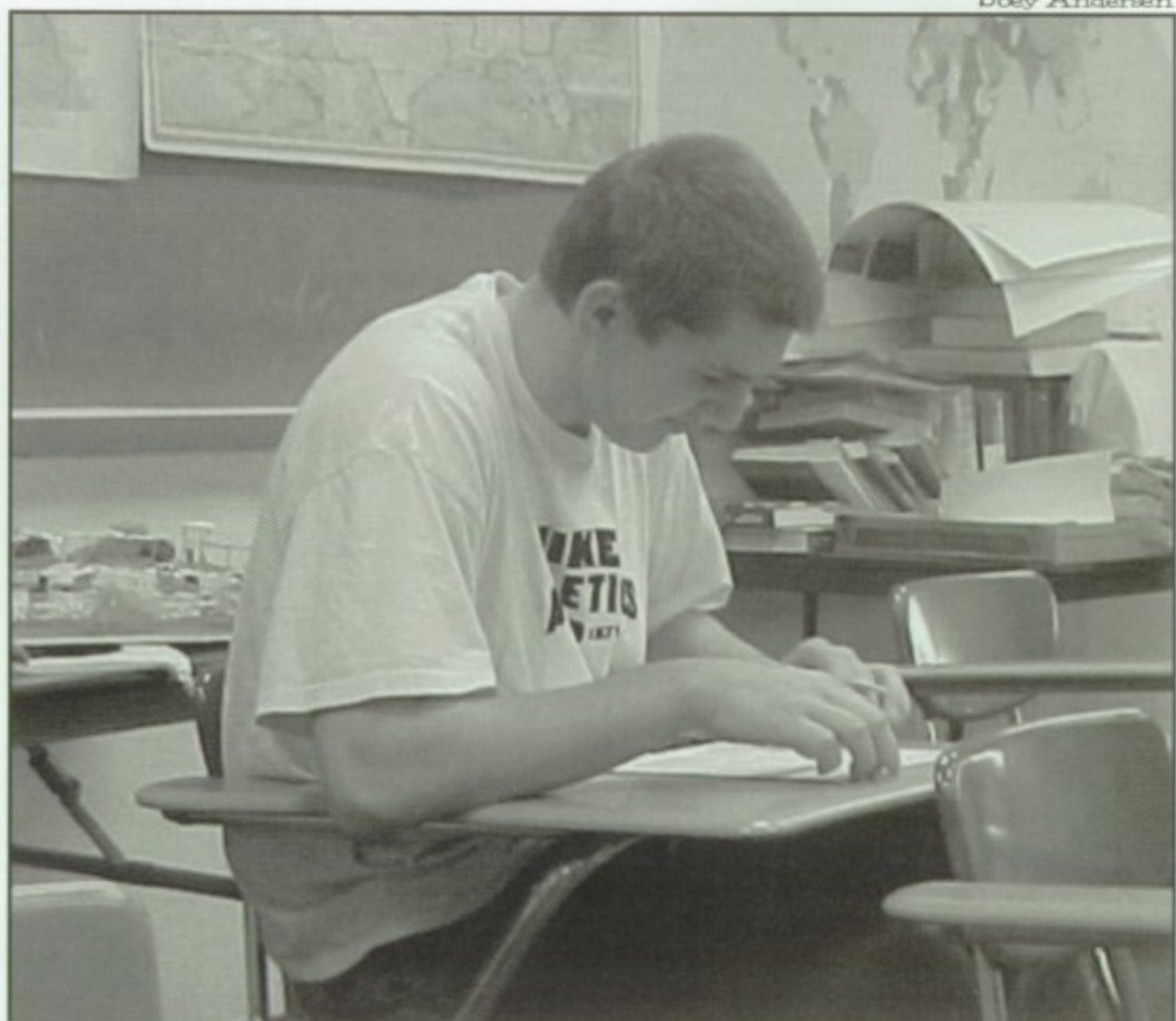
Advanced Placement classes were just that: advanced for students wanting to start their college education faster. The classes, five in all, challenged students to reach their full potential.



Joey Andersen



Scott Steinhilber



Sitting comfortably in her chair in English 12 AP, senior Nicole Stearns takes notes in class. AP classes tended to be on the smaller side. "It's like having a tutor instead of having a regular teacher, which makes it easier to ask questions without having 20 other students to worry about," senior Hannah Chandler said. Chandler was in Calculus AP.

In American History AP class, junior Chris Johnson takes a unit test. In May, a test was offered, at a cost, for students to take. The test was for students to gain a college credit while still in high school. American History AP, taught by Ron Lintz, introduced history more in depth than in a regular American History class.



Joey Anderson

In Calculus AP, seniors Ariana Astley, James Beagle, and Ludmila Pak get up and do calisthenics. As Calculus teacher Kelly Sain called out a function, the students would form them. Forming the graphs aided the students in memorizing functions like x^3 and the square root of x . With the classes being small, no one had to worry about embarrassing themselves.



Scott Seabe

Whadaya Think?

What is the hardest part about your AP class?

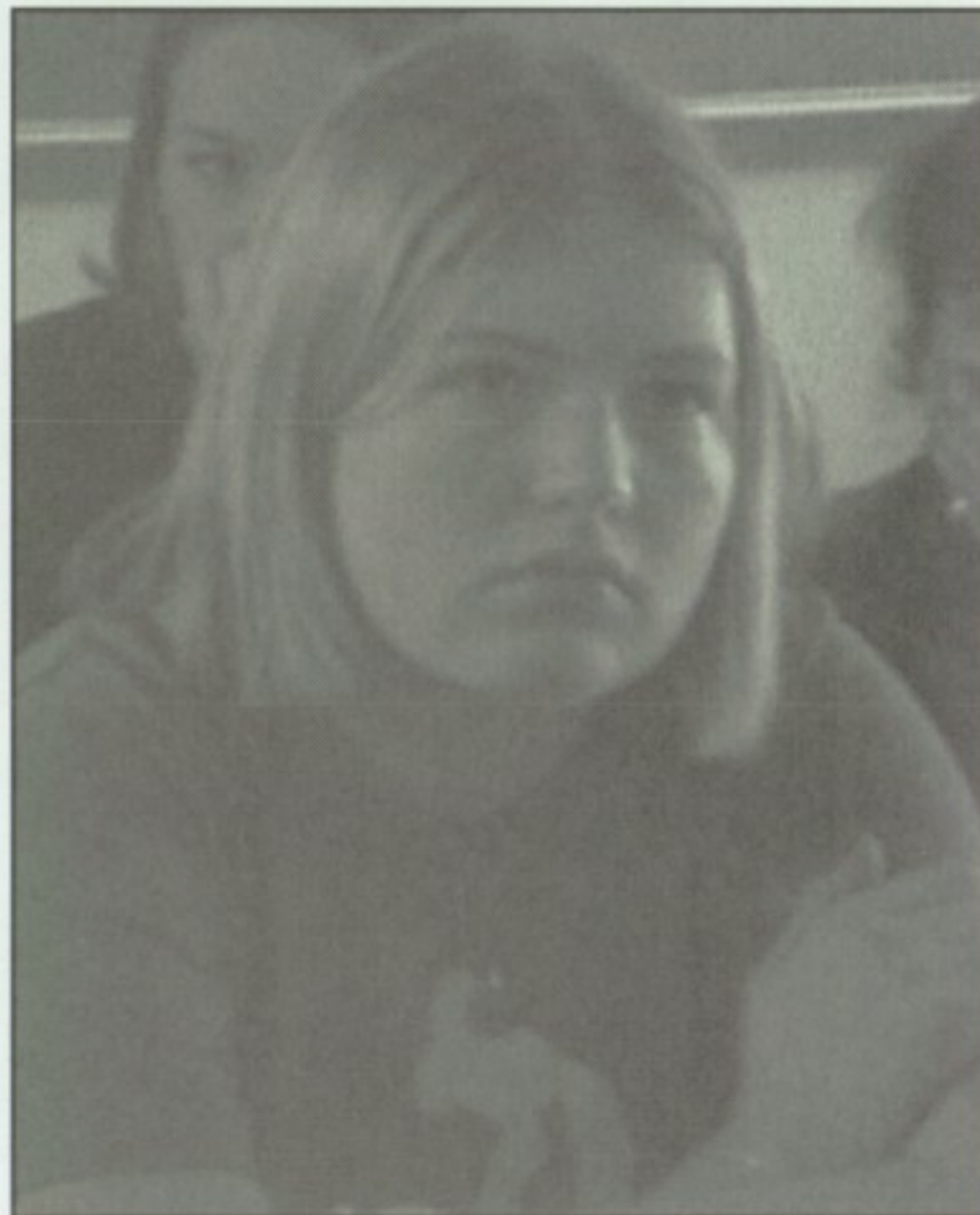


"The unit tests."

Josh Blaine, 11
American History AP

"Having tests every two weeks and work goes by faster."

Gretchen Rollings, 12
Biology AP



Joey Anderson

During her English 12 AP class, senior Maria Wever debates with her teacher. Weaver was in 6th hour with teacher Debbie Whitworth. The two English 12 AP classes were held during 2nd hour and 6th hour. There were five AP classes, two of which Whitworth taught.

A little more info...

5 AP CLASSES:

BIOLOGY AP

ENGLISH 11 AP

ENGLISH 12 AP

CALCULUS AP

AMERICAN HISTORY AP.

Junior Jessica Classen observantly watches a movie in her 6th hour American History AP class. The objective of the class was more to understand the material rather than getting a certain grade. Tests were also important to understand the material in the class along with notes and worksheets.

**Whadaya think?
WHAT DO YOU THINK
ABOUT HAVING A CHOICE IN
WHAT P.E. CLASS YOU
TAKE?**



"I like the fact that I can choose something that I enjoy."

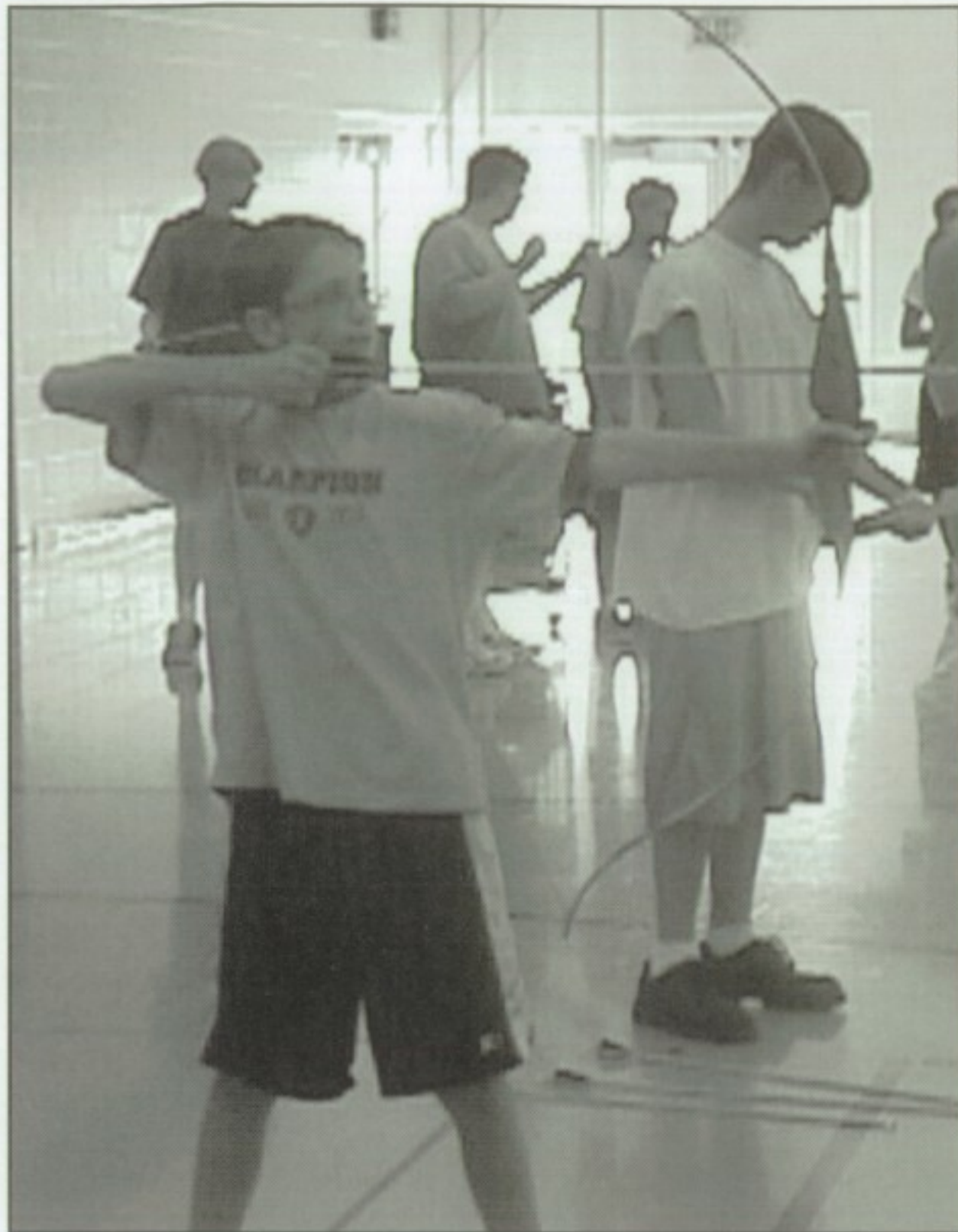
Lori Gifford, 10

"People have different opportunities to do what they want."

Roberto Reyes, 11



In the 7th hour Individual Sports class, freshman Shane Schaefer draws back the bow and arrow. There were many different units in the Individual Sports class, including archery, tennis, pickle ball, and badminton. There were three teachers, Steve Muller, Aaron Taylor, and Becky Wheeler, that taught the Individual Sports classes.



Joey Anderson

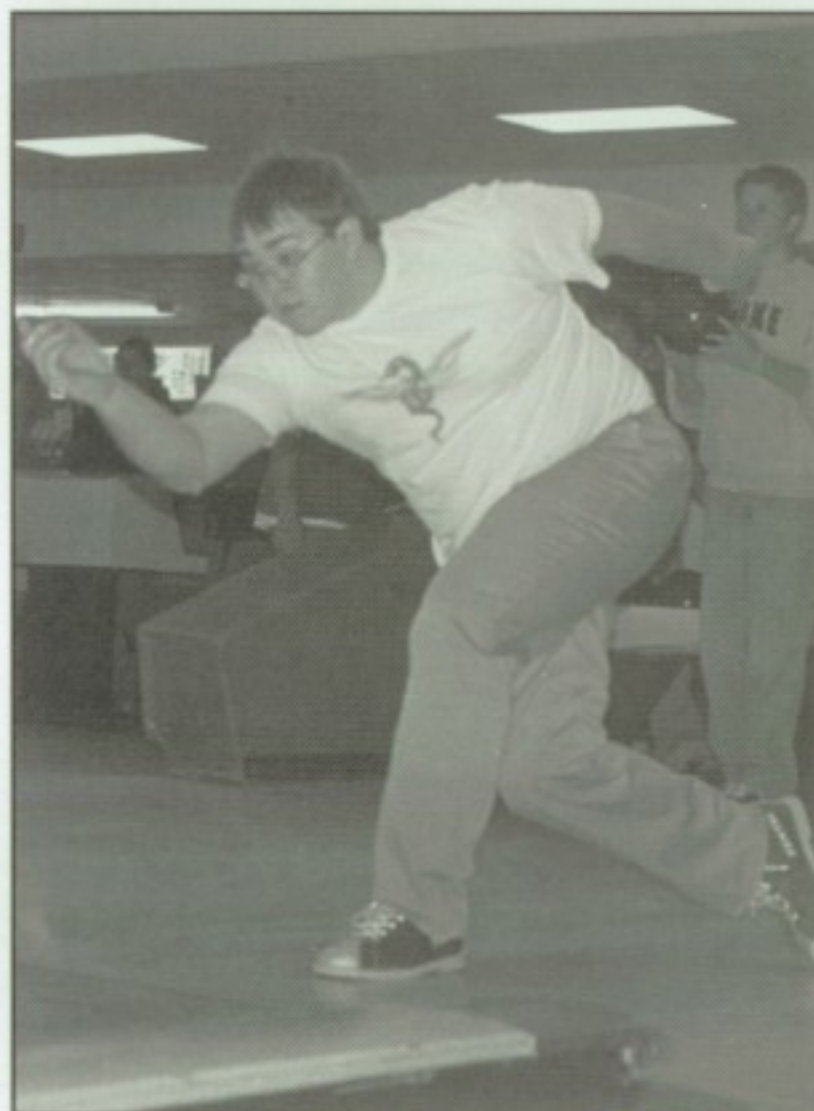


Sophomore Ben Kunz bowls the bowling ball down the lane. Lifetime Sports was the only class to go off campus on an almost regular basis. Lifetime Sports went bowling at Leopard Lanes, golfing at the driving range, and played sand volleyball at the Holiday Inn by No Frills.

During a game of scatterball, senior Chris Smith tries to hit someone with the ball. Scatterball was a game where you tried to hit down the five pins of the other team. During the game, if you hit someone they were out, but if they caught it you were out.



Joey Anderson



Joey Anderson

Junior Sarah Miller swims laps in her Aquatics class. Aquatics was held seventh hour, and they did everything from water polo to swimming laps. Aquatics was only held during seventh hour so that the students would have enough time to shower and get redressed.





Joey Anderson

During an Advanced Weight Training class, senior **Danny Brown** works on his upper body strength while senior **Aaron Foster** spots him. Before you could get into an Advanced Weight Training class, you had to go through Beginning Strength Training. Both were held during all seven hours. At the beginning of the year, if you tried to get into one of these classes after school began, you couldn't because they were so full.

A little more info...

PE CLASSES:

8 P.E. Classes:

- Advanced Weight Training
- Aquatics
- Beginning Weight Training
- Dance Aerobics
- Individual Sports
- Lifetime Sports
- Team Sports
- Satellites

6 PE teachers:

- Bart Dennis
- Toby Higgs
- Steve Muller
- Chuck Rombach
- Aaron Taylor
- Becky Wheeler



Michael Crum

Swimming, dancing, bowling P.E. classes have it all

P.E. classes were very different from when our parents were in high school. Going off campus wasn't even heard of then, and there was only one P.E. class to pick from, the basic equivalent to Team Sports.

A little more info...

7 ECONOMICS CLASSES

2 ECONOMICS TEACHERS

While in 1st hour Clothing Appreciation class, sophomore **Julia Heinz** sews pieces of cloth together with a sewing machine. Students were allowed to sew either by hand or by machine. It was easier and faster to use the machine. There was only one teacher that taught Clothing Appreciation class, which was **Sandie Hanna**.

During Clothing Appreciation class, junior **Kayleen Serfass** puts together a cloth wreath. There were many different projects that classes did. Later in the year, Clothing Appreciation classes were able to make their own clothes. They had to make a pattern and then design the clothes.



Kristal Ebrach

Whadaya think?

Why do you think
Consumer Sciences
are so important?



"We are all consumers for the rest of our lives, because it is a day to day routine."

Sandie Hanna,
Economics Teacher

"Just to take care
of yourself."

Eli Reed, 11



Necessities of Life

It's a fact. Learning how to cook, sew, and take care of children was essential for when you decided to start a family. These economics classes just gave students a head start.



Hannah Charndeler

In Foods II, senior Robby Cerra, junior Charles Martin, and sophomore Josh Williams mix ingredients together. During 1st quarter conferences, Foods students got to cook several dishes for the teachers to eat. There were many ingredients to add together since there are over 50 teachers. The students were able to mix and cook their food during class and had to stay during conferences to distribute the food.

Junior Justin Brandenburg cuts up ingredients and gets ready to prepare a meal. The students were graded on the food that they made. Their grade depended on if they mixed their ingredients right, prepared the food, cooked it, and of course, if it tasted good. Foods classes for 1st semester were held 2nd, 4th, 6th, and 7th. For 2nd semester the hours were 2nd, 4th, and 6th.



Hannah Charndeler

Working hard to build the future

Being in an Industrial Tech class meant hard work, but in the end, it was all worth it. The Industrial Tech department had come a long way because more students began to join.



Hannah Chandler

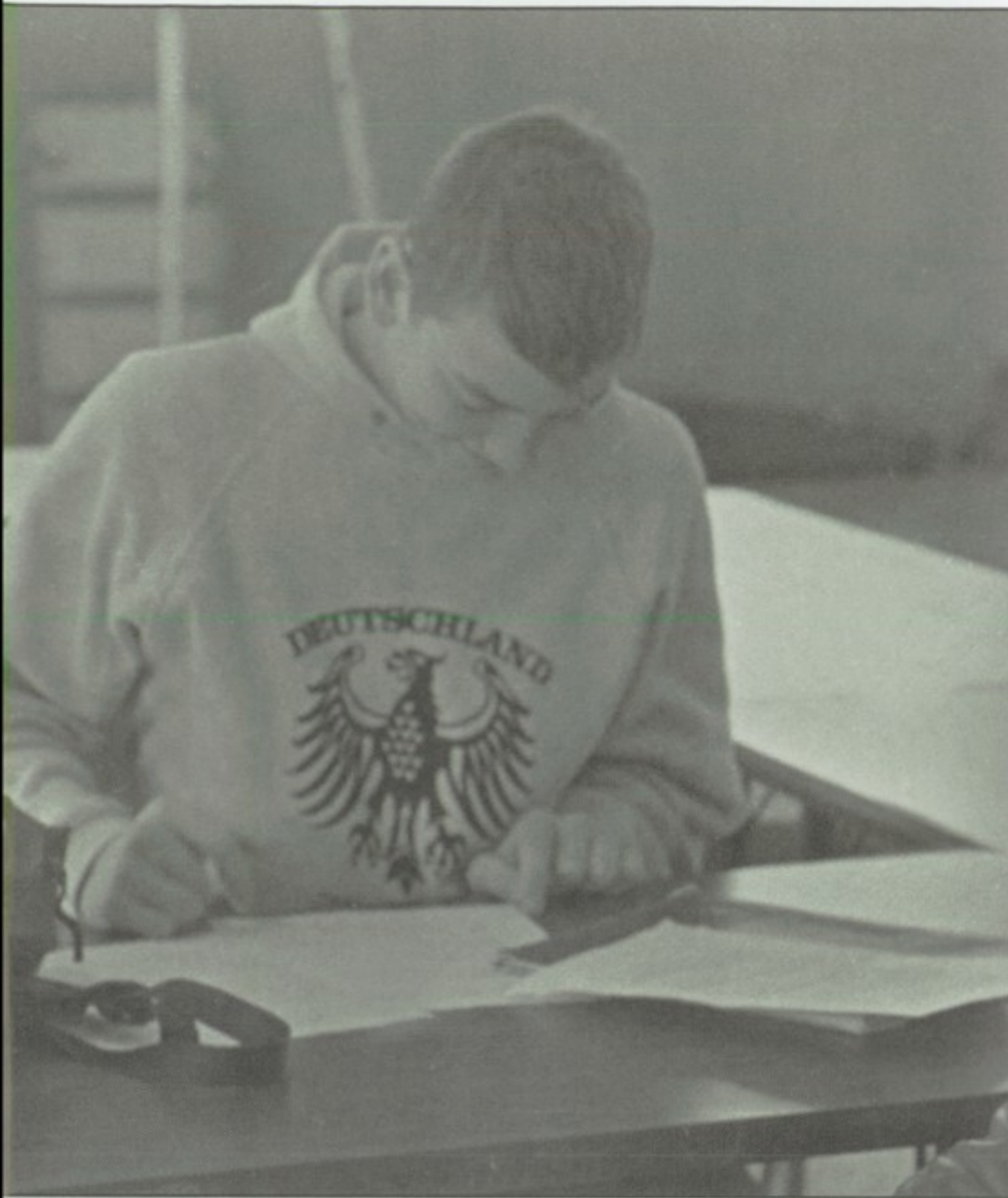


Hannah Chandler

In Woods class with teacher Amy Reoh, sophomore Nick Smith watches while sophomore Mike Russell uses a sander. Reoh was the only teacher to teach Woods. She was also the only female Industrial Tech teacher. Reoh said that she didn't feel intimidated about it though. "I really don't think about it," Reoh said, "and the kids don't really ask either."



Working on his pen project, sophomore Mark Chervinka uses a lathe. While in Woods, the students made lots projects including pens, cabinets, stools, tables, and any projects of their choice. The students were required to buy their own wood. Some students made items such as guitars and bird houses.



Joey Anderson

While in 5th period Metals class, sophomore Peter Simmons studies for a test in class. Like in every class, it was a good idea for students to study so that they would pass the test. Working on projects was not the only thing that was done in class. Bookwork was also essential in Metals. "I took metals because I thought it would be fun and challenging," Simmons said.



Joey Anderson

Whadaya Think?

Why did you decide to take an Industrial Tech Class?

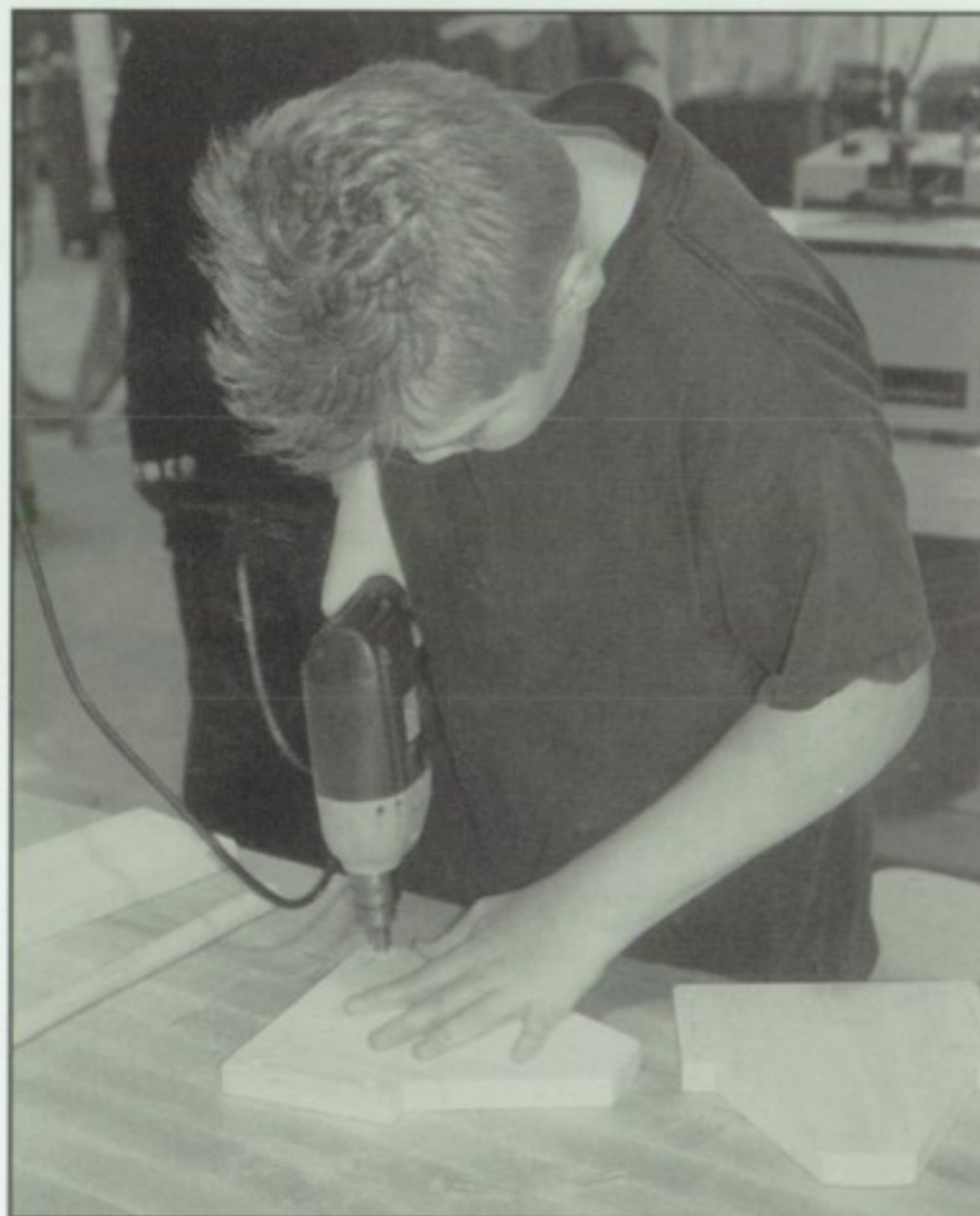


"I like using power tools and my hands, and also making furniture."

Garrett Lintz, 11

"Autos was fun because I like things that are 'hands-on.'"

Jasmine Cartwright, 12



Kristal Eberth

During Woods class, sophomore Jimmy Recek goes over his notes at the last minute. Tests were a part of Woods class along with the hands on experience. Tests and bookwork helped students to better understand what techniques were needed to put finishing touches on their projects.

Freshman Darren Rolston drills a plank of wood for a bird house. There were many different projects that the students were allowed to work on. They could only work on their projects in the class due to the fact that a lot of students did not have tools at their houses.

A little more info...

3 TEACHERS:

TOM HENN
STEVE JOHNSTON
AMY REOH

12 CLASSES:

AUTOS
DRAFTING I, II
MANUFACTURING/PRODUCTION
CISCO
COMPUTER REPAIR
WOODS I, II, III
AUTO TECH
CONSTRUCTION TECH
VELDING TECH

Devotion.

Did you ever notice how many cars were still in the parking lot an hour after the 3:10 bell rang? Did you wonder what students were doing? Aside from sports and social lives, many students took part in extracurricular activities, showing their devotion to the school and student body.

In organizations like Key Club, DECA, and SADD, students made a difference in the community and learned at the same time.

Through hard work, the band placed 2nd at the competition in Kansas City and 5th at The Mid-Iowa Championships competition.

Led by junior Claire Keene, the women's quiz bowl team took 1st out of 21 teams at the first ever Women's Quiz Bowl Competition in Seward, NE, leaving undefeated.

Two new clubs were formed this year: Teens for Human Equality led by Cindy Seeba and Comic Book Club led by John Campbell.

Along with new teachers, changes in organizations' sponsorship were also made. Campbell headed the forensics department, Carla Manchester took over the yearbook, and Kristin Thimiyan was in charge of the French Club.

With the time spent at various activities, extra-curriculars showed us that being successful required

DEVOTION.



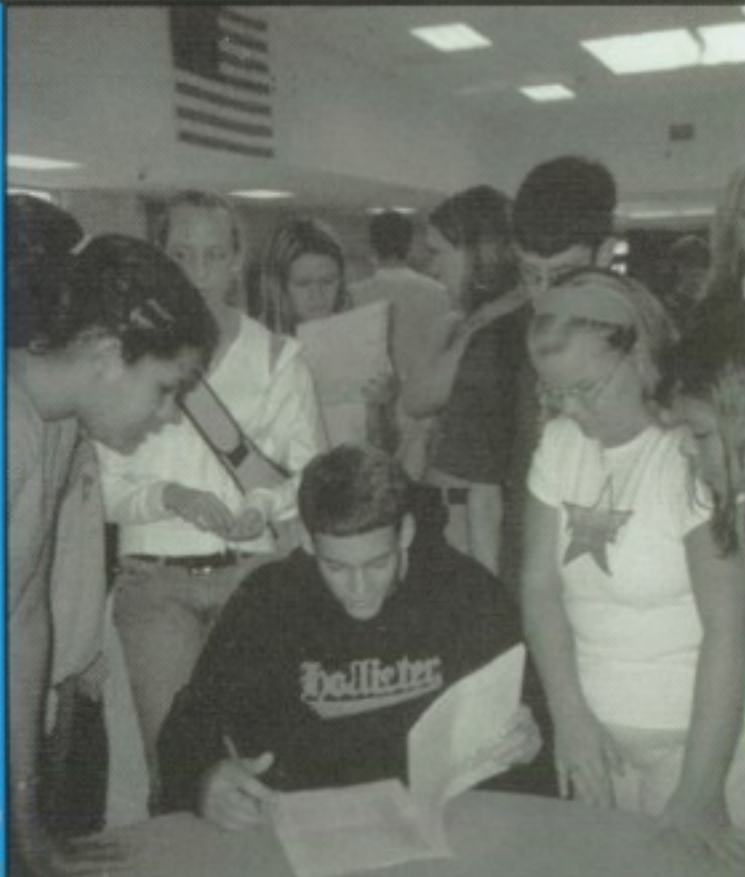
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During Embrace the Vision, senior Kathryn Simmons plays the drums in the band's show *House of Cards*. Clubs had opportunities to promote themselves that night by setting up stands in the commons.

Senior Robert Hensly, freshman Kristy Yancy, Kenneth Evans, and sophomore AJ Anton practice for a football game halftime show. The band practiced before every show to ensure that they did not make any mistakes in their performance.

While marching down Mission Ave, seniors Heather Jones and Allison Davies use their peripheral vision to keep the lines straight. The marching band used techniques such as covering down and guiding to help them.



Andrew Balle



Scott Seebe

Nikole Sletzer

What's your funniest moment?

"Our pants are so tight and when I bent down they ripped." Jordan Huey -10



"We were at practice and this guy tripped over his pants." Sarah Score-9



"We were marching and this girl's straps broke, her pants fell down, and she kept on marching." Karen Owsley-11



Voice Your Choice

On the road to accomplishment

A day in the life of marching band.

10:47 p.m. Ankeny, Iowa. Thirty-five degrees.

The announcer asks drum majors senior **Calah Friend** and junior **Greg Woolford** if their band is ready. Then all eyes are on the Bellevue East Marching Chieftains as the competition begins.

Out of the corner of her eye, senior clarinetist **Katie Hogston** sees the judge watching the band's every move, taking notes with a tape recorder. This intimidates some members, but for others, it's what drives them to keep going.

"I get very nervous when around me," Hogston said, "you do better, and you can't you could mess up."

10:55 p.m.

The band's final note ends quiet. Then all of a sudden Everyone is overwhelmed other performance.

11:00 p.m.

Awards begin. All drum majors make their way to the field. After a couple of minutes, Bellevue East is called. Fifth place.

"These were good judges, and when you have a panel of good judges, you know that you deserved the place you get," Woolford said.

11:20 p.m.

Band members wearily make their way back to the buses to go home.

2:58 a.m.

The buses roll back into the school parking lot. Twelve long hours after they left, band members sleepily exit the buses, get their instruments, and make their way back to the band room. The feeling of accomplishment still lingers in the air as the band room lights finally shut off for the night.

"I felt that the performance was sensational," sophomore piccolo player **Allison Davies** said. "Now I am ready to go home and go to bed."

"These were good judges, and when you have a panel of good judges, you know that you deserved the place you get."

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and the stadium is the stands go wild. with the joy of an-

Chassidy Veik
academics co-editor



Hannah Chandler

Freshman Philip Ybay and sophomore Paul Corley walk down the streets of Olde Towne Bellevue at the Aerospace parade. The parade went from Bellevue East down Mission Ave. and ended at Washington Park.

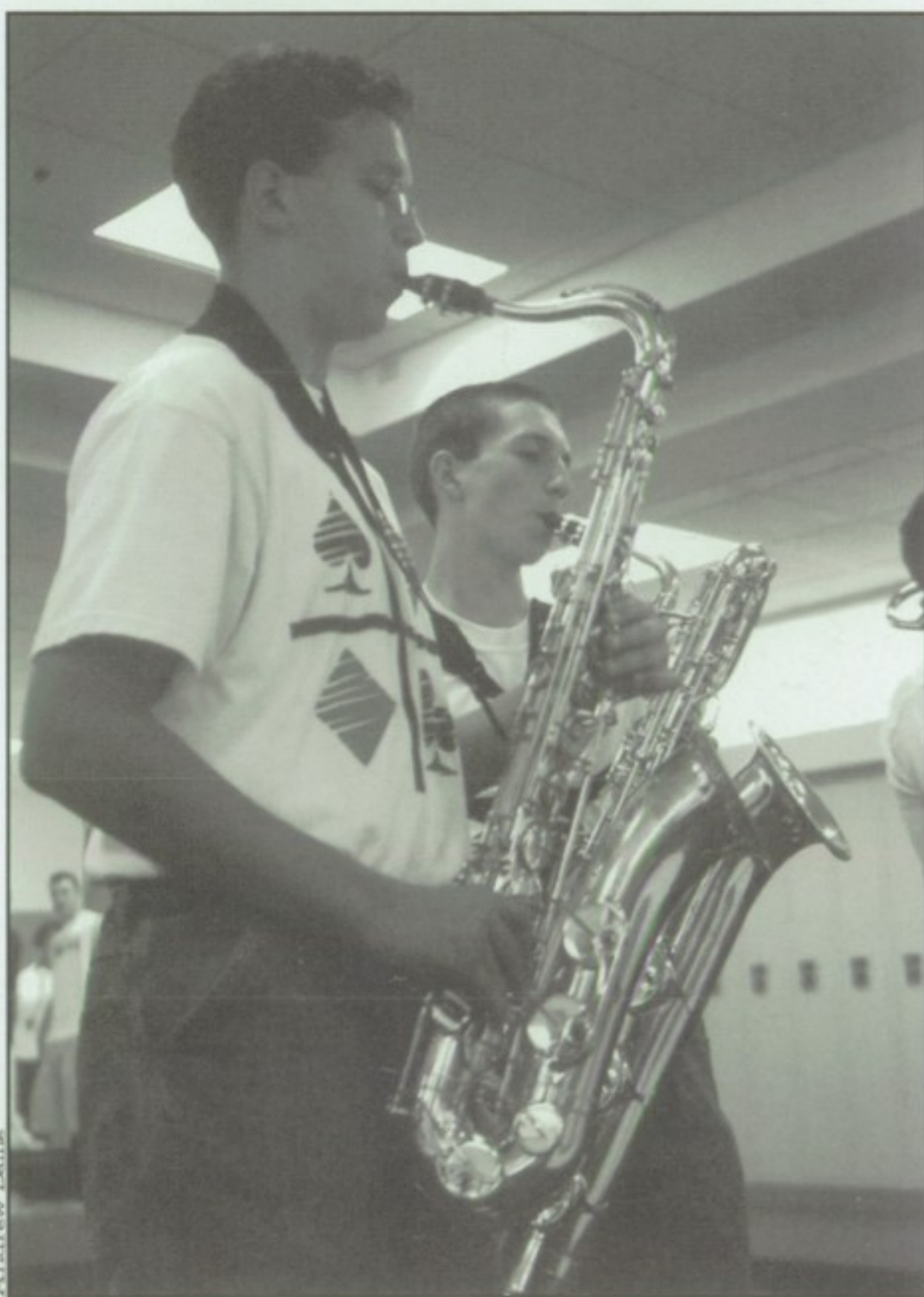
The band marches to the school song at the Arrows to Aerospace parade. The marching band practiced before and after school to prepare for the parade and their season.



Scott Seaborn



Andrew Exallie



Freshman Drake Wilson concentrates on the beat of the music while playing the timpany at a home football game. He hoped to play the timpany until he graduated.

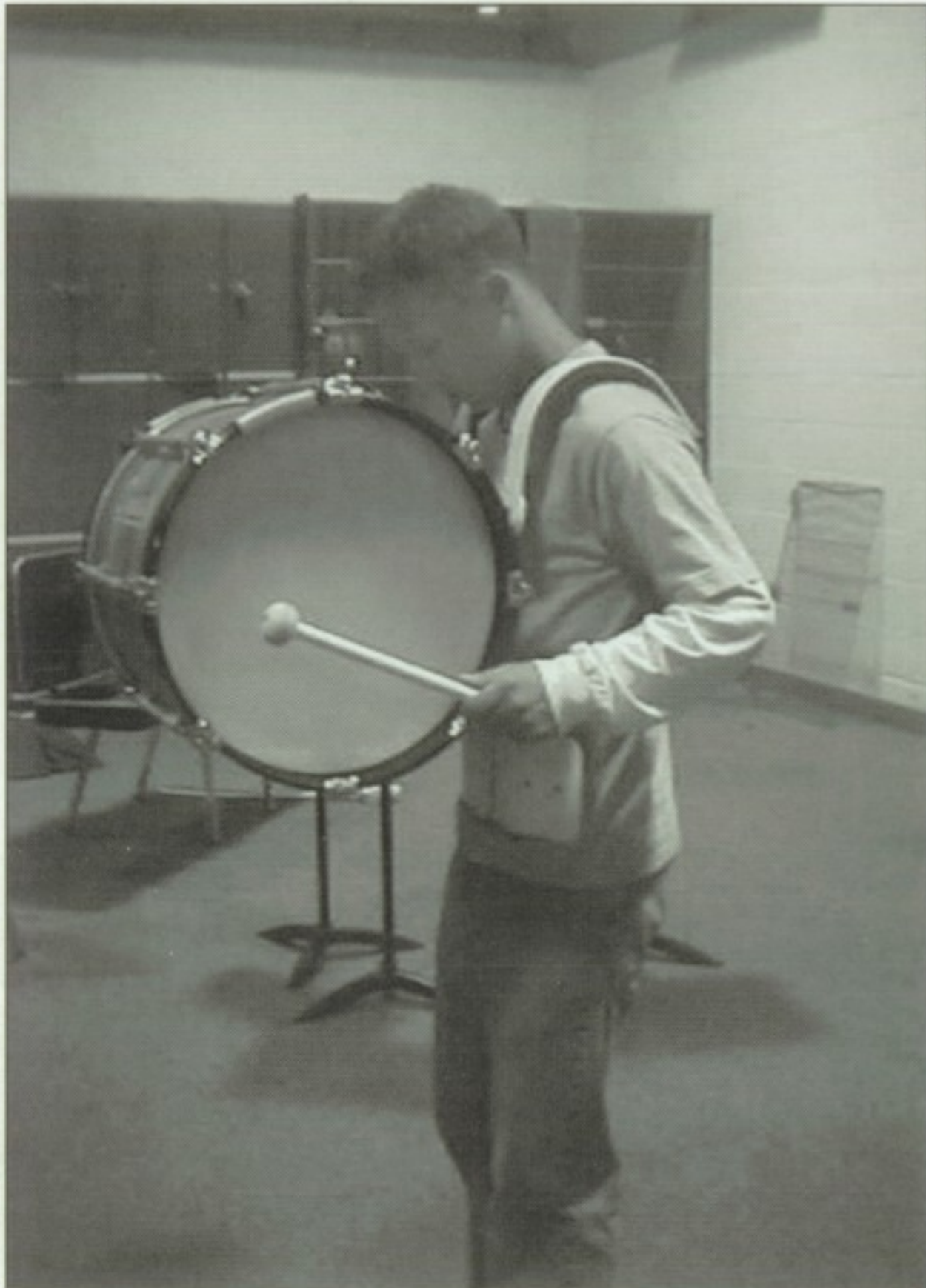
Sophomores Austin Sailors and David Kring play in the commons area at the kick-off celebration. At the kick-off celebration, the band performed for the first time of the season.

Marching Band

Drumline

Senior Shane Wampler practices the routine in the band room. All of the drumline students had to take time and practice to help them in the show.

During his final marching band season, senior Erik Nielson performs *Spades* before the kick-off celebration. Nielson played the tenor drums, which consisted of five different sized drums.



Shane Wampler



Hannah Christler

The Bellevue East Drumline students pound their drums to the beat of the music in the Aerospace parade. The Bellevue East Drumline performed in it every year.

As drumline performs, seniors Megan Tesnohldek and Maggie Neimann and juniors Kacie Sis and Terah Mitchell march down Mission Avenue. They spent hours practicing.



Scott Seeba

Working to improve

Drumline distinguishes itself from band

Sara Woolery

For most Bellevue East students, the day began at 8:00 A.M. when classes started. For a group of about twelve students in drumline, though, the day began an hour earlier, at 7:00 AM, a time when the sun was not yet up.

Although some members disliked the extra work, they realized that the practices were worth it.

"I think every single practice we improve. We just keep getting better and better," senior **Chris Stewart** said.

Senior **Noah** the early, difficult build camaraderie members.

"Practice in the cause it gives us a lot other," Hensley said.

The group's work off in competitions Their biggest accom- ing first at a competi- Missouri.

Junior **Kacie Sis** said that the win took her by surprise.

"I didn't exactly hear what we had won. Someone had to tell me," Sis said.

Despite the drumline's success, many East students thought that the drumline was just another part of marching band. Although the two groups performed together, the drumline was also considered separately from the marching band for awards purposes. The drumline's traditions and sense of pride also distinguished them from the marching band.

Stewart said, "We always get back to our spots and are more serious. We get down our music. We don't like to get out and play our music 'til it's perfect."

From early morning practices, to pregame lunches, to winning competitions, the experiences the drumline shared left lasting impressions on its members and gave them something to remember.

"We've had a really awesome year," Stewart said, "and drumline is one of the best memories from my final year of high school."

"I think every single practice we improve. We just keep getting better and better."

Hensley said that practices also helped amongst drumline

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and dedication paid throughout the year. plishment was plac- tion in Kansas City,

What's your favorite part of drumline?

"I JUST LOVE IT. YOU JUST FEEL GREAT WHEN YOU'RE OUT ON THE FIELD."

CALEB WAMPLER, 9



"THE LONG HOURS AND WARMING UP AT COMPETITIONS."

MAGGIE NIEMANN, 12



"LONG HOURS AND BEING AROUND ALL THE MEMBERS."

CHRIS STEWART, 12

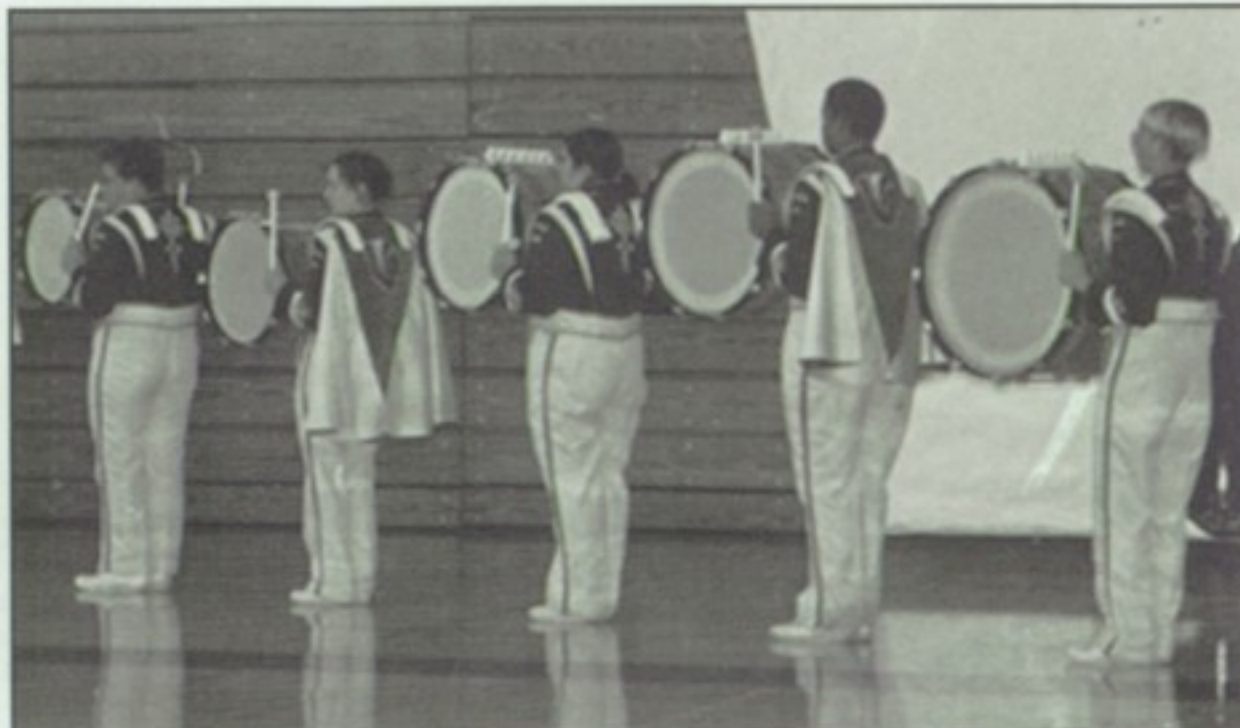


Voice Your Choice

Nick Gregoire
Staff Writer



Brittany Estep



Michael Crum

At a Bellevue East football game, the drumline students perform during halftime. Their performance left the crowd cheering in the stands.

At the 6th Annual Indoor Band Concert, the drumline students march in preparation to play their last performance. That night they performed for the parents.

What do you like most about colorguard?

"SEEING THE CROWD."
SARA SMITH, 10



"WHEN YOU HEAR THE CROWD CHEERING BECAUSE OF YOU."
NIKKI WHITEHEAD, 11

"PERFORMING TOGETHER AND HAVING FUN."
AMBER MILLER, 11



Voice Your Choice

Motivation and dedication

Long hours pay off in the end

It's half time. The crowd is pumped up from cheering for the varsity football players. The colorguard team knows that when the music starts, it's time to prove that all their hard work and practice counts.

Pure dedication, lots of sweat, and hard work were what Bellevue East Colorguard was all about. Whether it was a Monday evening or a Thursday morning, the colorguard pounded the parking lot pavement, determined to get their performance

"I like colorguard because it keeps me on my toes," said.

Dedication was With the grueling dered how students colorguard. All it took

"Any time I'm not work. It's pretty easy to Kylene Davey said.

Like any other sport or activity, there were special moves and routines that members had to learn. Whether it was drop spins, flats and lows, or shoulder and hip angles, practice made perfect. It helped the show run smoothly, and there was nothing like a few cool tricks to amaze the judges at competitions.

With so many people involved in colorguard this year, the team included more activities involving sabers and rifles. With this variety in their activities, the show was especially impressive to competition judges.

Time spent at competitions, traveling, and at practices also helped the colorguard become like a big family. For some members, this was a real highlight.

"My favorite thing about colorguard is that I get to know so many people and make bonds," junior Erin Olsovsky said.

Whether a competition was won or lost, the members of colorguard agreed that it's what you made of the season that counted.

Junior Burgundy Ohle said, "Sophomore year I met so many friends, and this has been such a great experience performing."

"I like colorguard because it is fun, it's hard work, and it keeps me on my toes."

cause it is fun, it's hard work, and sophomore captain Sara Smith

a requirement for colorguard. hours of practicing, people were able to balance school and was time management.

practicing, I'm doing my home-get things done," sophomore

Brittany Estep
Activities Coordinator



Brittany Estep

At the 6th Annual Indoor Marching Band Concert, the colorguard vets come together to end their performance. This was the last performance for the colorguard team.

Freshman Michelle Miller walks down the street holding her flag during the aerospace parade. This was the first performance for Miller and the rest of colorguard.



Scott Seeba

Colorguard

Michaela Curran

Sophomore Katie Willis spins her flag on target. The 6th Annual Indoor Marching Band Concert was held to end their season and for all the parents to see their hard work.

Marching to the school song, junior Amber Miller raises her flag before the East vs. West varsity football game. This was Miller's first year on colorguard.

Hannah Chandler



Scott Swain



Hannah Chandler

Freshman Kayla Voiles and sophomore Jessica Martin carry their flags in the Olde Towne Bellevue annual parade. The colorguard performed in the parade.

Juniors Theresa Davis, Amber Miller, Nikki Whitehead, and sophomore Amanda Mansavage hold their rifles as they walk in the Arrows to Aerospace Parade.

Pep/Jazz Band

In the old band room, senior **Matt Holdaway** practices on the drum set as he prepares for jazz band. Band students practiced after school for hours at a time so they could get to know the music better.

Freshmen **Sam Stockton** and **Autumn Shapland** play the flute while freshman **Josh McKean** plays the trumpet during a basketball game. The band provided between quarter and timeout entertainment.



Barumdy-Ohle



Barumdy-Ohle

At a home basketball game, sophomores **Austin Sailors** and **Jordan Huey** perform one of the pep band's many songs. The pep band played a total of 35 different songs that season.

During a jazz band concert, freshman **John Devol** and sophomore **Colin Kirkeby** play the trombone. Students had to pay attention to the musical notes in order for the production to sound perfect.



Barumdy-Ohle

Behind the scenes

Pep and jazz bands work to have fun

It's a scene that each one of us knew well. The sound of whistles being blown and sneakers squeaking to various rhythms and melodies over the chants and excitement of the crowd. The smell of hotdogs intermingled with the smell of sweaty team members. The taste of victory whether we won or not.

Underneath all of the excitement, you could faintly hear "Sing, Sing, Sing," followed by the school song coming from the corner of the gym. This large part of the atmosphere of a high school sporting event was due to the faithful members of the pep band.

Jessie Andre, in said that the pep band team in any way that

"Pep band is a lot of relaxed," Andre said, "but We play tunes before as well as during the pecially like pep band conduct and I get to play the trumpet."

The pep band also implemented "theme nights" for the first time, which meant that students got to dress up according to a certain theme at some of the games.

Sophomore Colin Kirkeby saw pep band as a way to become involved with the school and the basketball teams.

"I like the fact that we got to interact with the team," Kirkeby said. "But it's also a great chance to get into the games for free, hang out with friends, and play hits from the '80's!"

Kirkeby was one of several students who also participated in the school jazz program, which involved both a jazz band and a stage band. The only difference between the two was that a stage band could add baritones or tubas to better accommodate the players and the music.

Sophomore Kevin Sueper was in the stage band because out of all the different kinds of bands he could choose from at East, he said that he liked jazz the best.

"I like to play jazz music because I like the sound of it a lot better than some of the more traditional and classical pieces," Sueper said. "We get to play Latin, swing, and blues, and we get to improvise. Also, the saxophone plays a more prominent role in jazz than in any other kind of band."

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charge of the pep band, was there to support the they could.

fun because it is so re- we also play a lot of songs, each game, girls and boys, game and afterward. I es- because I don't have to con-

What's your funniest moment from Pep/Jazz band?

"Mr. Harden was recording us and he kept fast forwarding it but there was nothing there."

Kate Szymanski, 12



"We were playing a song and I was the only person to come in on time."

Cameron Blazek, 9

"One of the shortest members of the band looked up to a tuba over their head."

Josh Cornwall, 11



Voice Your Choice

Kacie Sis
Staff Writer



Sophomore Jessica Barr plays the clarinet during a basketball game. Pep band played before and during the game to keep spirit high.

Sophomore Paul Corley and senior Shane Wampler practice together in the band room, rehearsing their music. Students had to audition to be in jazz band.

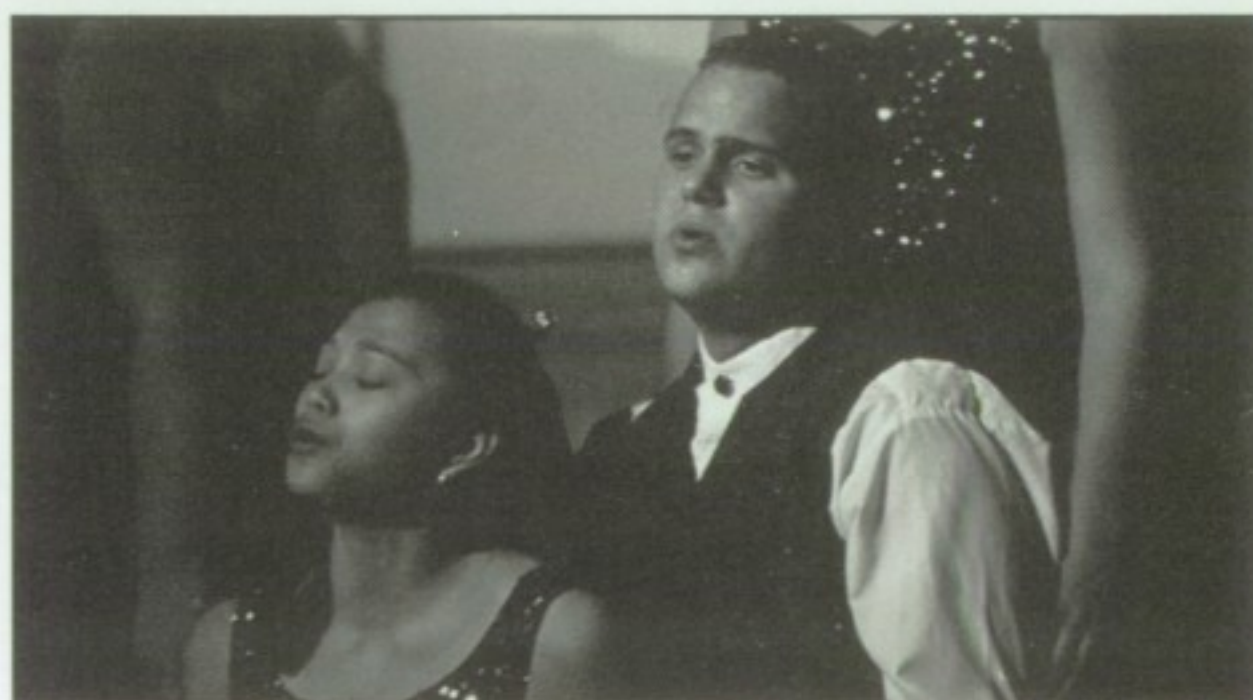
Singers/Take II

Junior Jessie Watson, sophomore Ashly Banta, junior Ashley Strubing, and senior Micayla Holtmeyer sing with Take II at the Embrace the Vision Celebration. The Embrace the Vision Celebration was held to kick off the sports season.

Junior Nataile Ryan, seniors Tiffany Ippoliti, Jackie Ong, Becky Hill, junior Samantha Hester, sophomore Ashly Banta, and senior Amanda Taylor practice their performance during class. Take II was held sixth hour.



Mike Crum



At a performance, Take II members Jackie Ong and senior Matt Rees sing a ballad. Take II was an audition only class and singers learned a combination of songs and dances.

During a Singers concert, juniors Natalie Ryan and Nicole Biberdorf and seniors Chentel Busboom and Maggie Nieman sing. Singers practiced every day during class to learn their parts.



Kristal Bjorrich

Kristal Bjorrich

New opportunities

Singers and Take II members get more involved

East High Singers and Take II both had a very eventful year. For Singers, the biggest event was the Omaha Symphony Collaborative Concert in the fall. Students got to work with the conductor and members of the Omaha Symphony Choir and were also aired on the radio.

"Singing with the Symphony was a great learning experience," junior **Kyle Carlyle** said.

Singers looked forward to the Worlds of Fun Choir Competition in Kansas City and in New York over

"I'm so excited I looking forward to the United Na-

Marge Simons-

The choir sent in judged and could based on how well

For Take II, it they entered into so added three major new events to their schedule.

"This season was very much a success," Carlyle said, "because we really put a lot of hard work into it."

Senior **Becky Hill** said that the year for Take II was excellent because more people were listening to the director and trying hard to do well.

"In my three years of Take II, this is the best year we've had," Hill said.

Simons-Bester agreed that the year went well for the group.

"The people in Take II can dance well, sing well, and know how to have fun on stage," Simons-Bester said. "We work hard, but we have a really good time."

"This season was very much a success"

several performances the summer.

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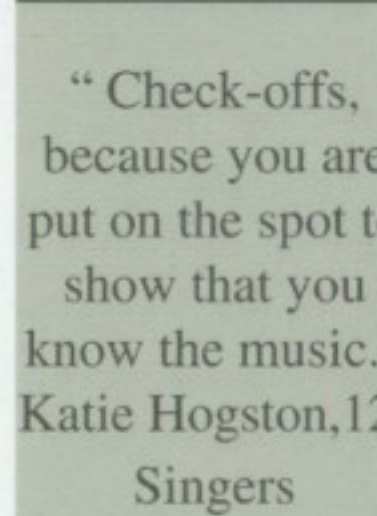
was the first season many competitions. The group

What's the hardest part of Singers/Take II?

"Learning the music."
Matt Becker, 12-Singers



"Learning the music at a much faster pace and then incorporating the dance with the music."
Ashly Banta, 10-Take II

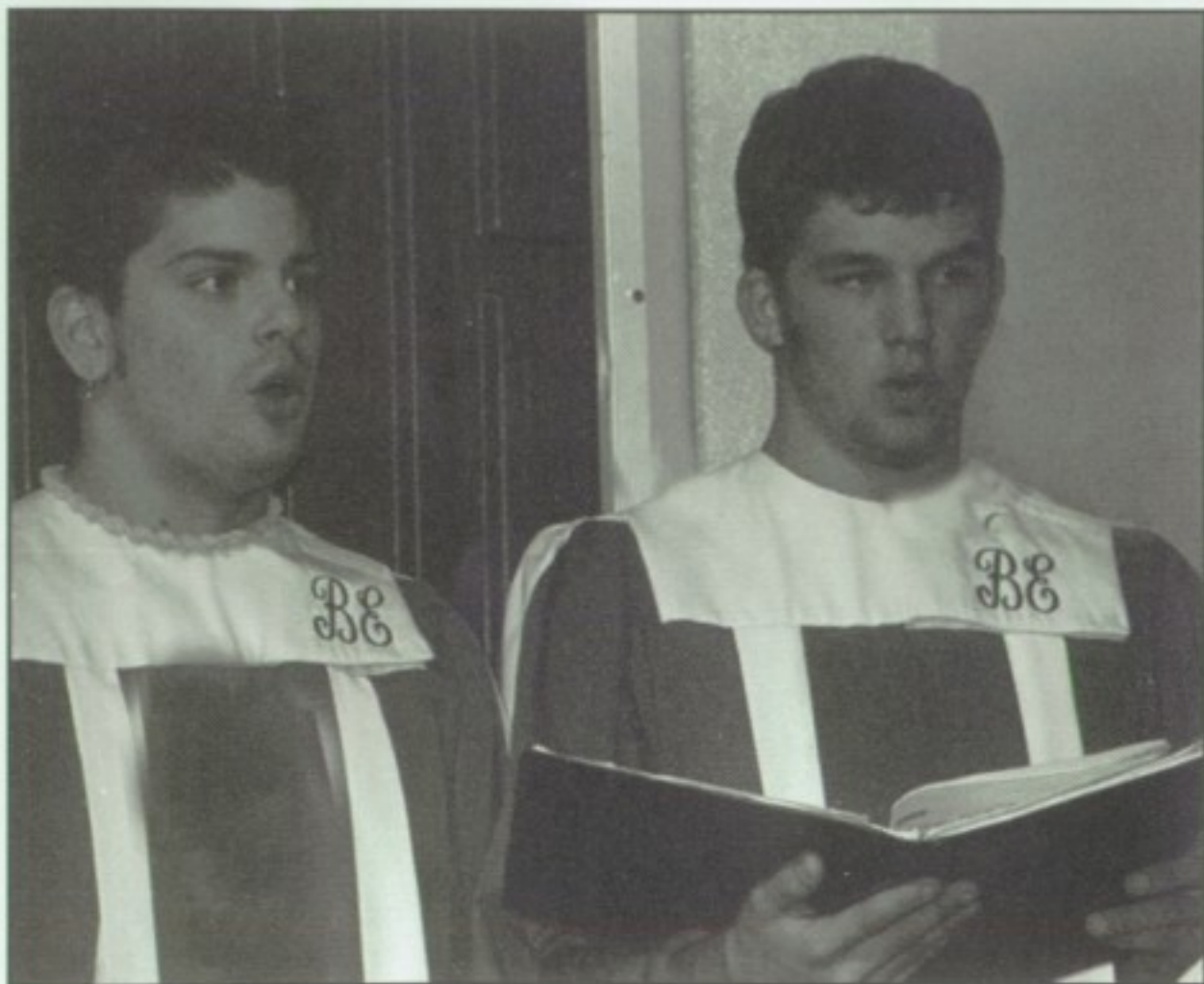


"Check-offs, because you are put on the spot to show that you know the music."
Katie Hogston, 12-Singers



Voice Your Choice

John Mullins
Staff writer



Junior **Corey Martinez** and senior **Andrew Soleta** perform at the fall concert. Martinez and Soleta were members of Singers and had to learn three new songs for the concert.

During the fall concert, senior **Suzy Peters** and sophomores **Colin Kirkeby** and **James Sons** sing one of their songs. Singers was held fifth hour.

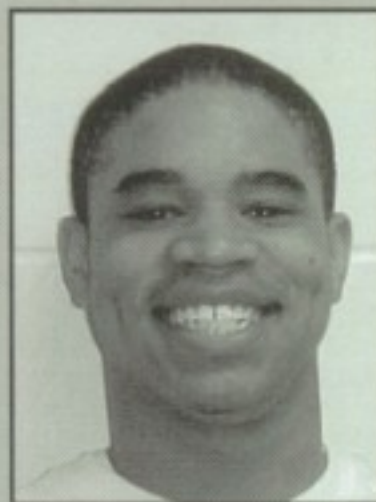
What do you like best about Chamber Singers?

"I love working with the singers"
Natalie Ryan, 11



"It's acoustic and you have to hold your own."
Colin Kirkeby, 10

"I like how it's a smaller ensemble and it's fun and exciting."
Eddie Davis, 11



Voice Your Choice

Preparing for change

Chamber's director accepts a job in Lincoln

Each year as the leaves began to change colors, the students piled back into school to the start of another year of activities. One group in particular was East High Chamber Singers.

Chamber Singers, under the direction of **Tobin Stewart**, was an auditioned group. They sang all of their songs a capella, or without a musical accompanist.

Stewart said, "By calling [the group] Chamber Singers, it allows us to perform other music [instead of strictly Madrigal music] like the vocal jazz program we performed in the

Senior **Meagan McIntyre** the Madrigal music the group

"I like singing jazz better when you sing it in front of a than the Madrigal music,"

The change to jazz music associated with Chamber

"I liked the change," McIntyre said. "I wish we could have sang the jazz music before my senior year though."

Graduating seniors would definitely miss it, and they would be missed by the group, too.

McIntyre said, "I'm going to miss the people the most because we spend so much time together and everyone becomes friends. Once I graduate, I won't be able to do that anymore."

The seniors weren't the only people leaving the group. Stewart left to take a job as head choir director at a school in Lincoln. Stewart added so much to the group and would definitely be hard to replace.

Senior **Tiffany Ippoliti** said that Stewart taught the group a lot about jazz. "I think him leaving will dampen the togetherness of the group because he truly made this group a jazz group," Ippoliti said.

Junior **Rodney Spence** said he didn't know how things would change.

"It is hard to tell because he is an excellent director. I know he will be hard to replace," Spence said.

Junior **Briana Durham** said she thought Stewart leaving was what was best for him and his family.

Durham said, "It will be a hard transition for everyone, but I think [Mr. Stewart] will have a lot of fun and success at his new school."

"I know he will be hard to replace."

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said she preferred jazz music to used to perform.

because it's more up beat and crowd, they can get into it more McIntyre said.

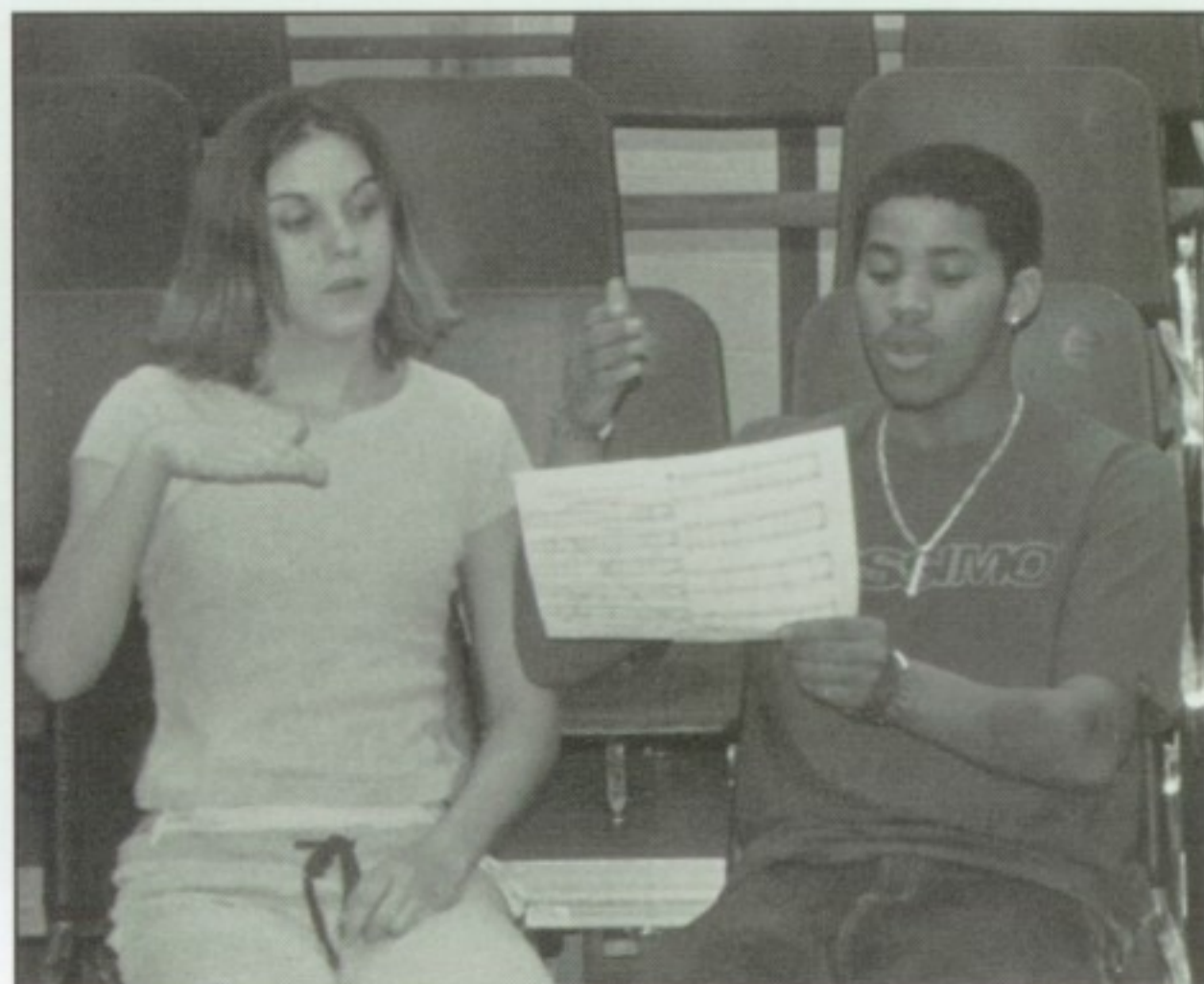
seemed to be welcomed by all Singers.

Ashley Mercier
Staff Writer



At an after school practice, senior **Rachael Crider**, junior **Kyle Carlyle**, sophomore **Colin Kirkeby**, and senior **Andrew Bailie** practice one of their songs.

Senior **Amanda Tabler** and junior **Rodney Spence** use their hands to help learn the music notes faster. This method of learning is called solfege.



Chamber Singers

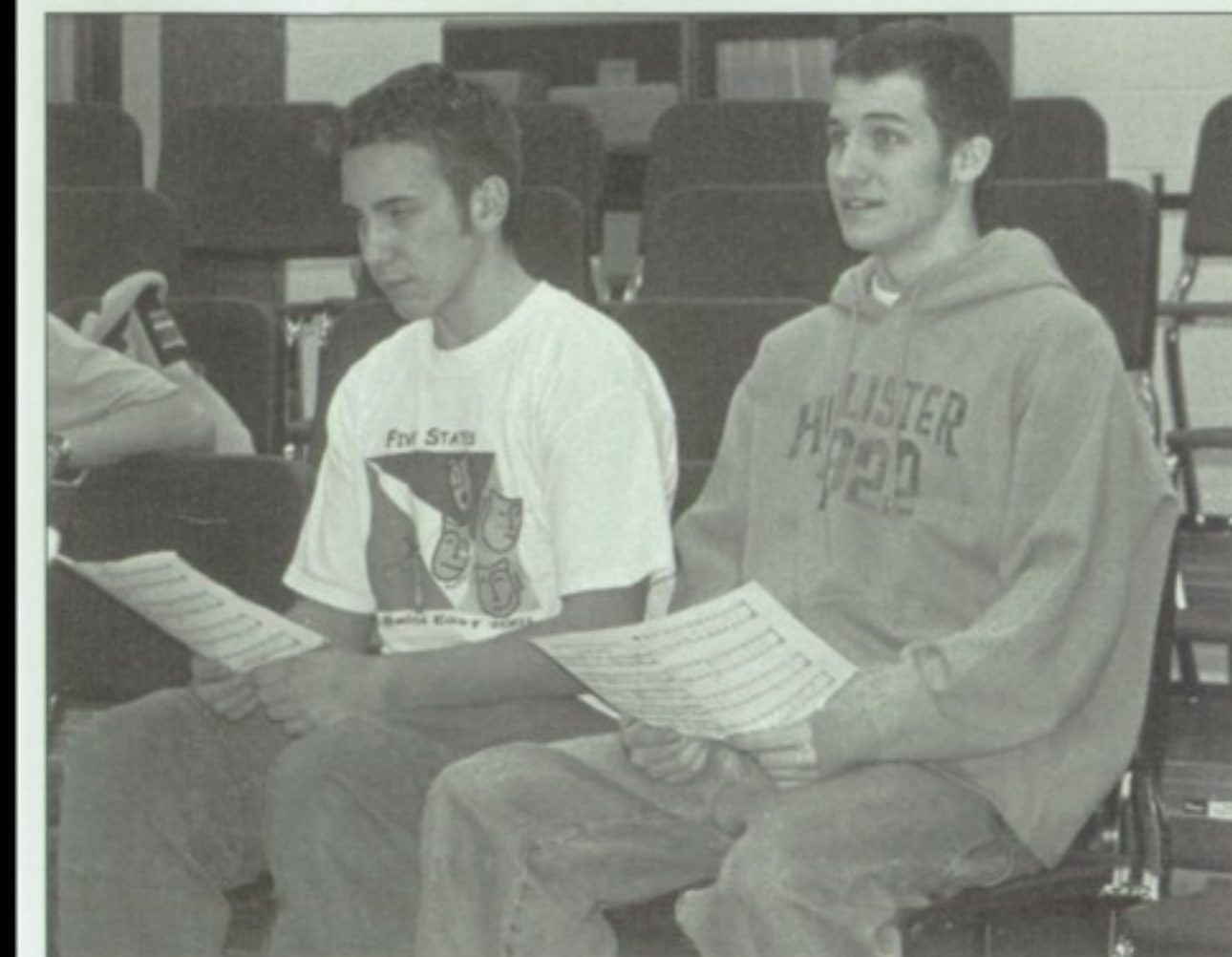
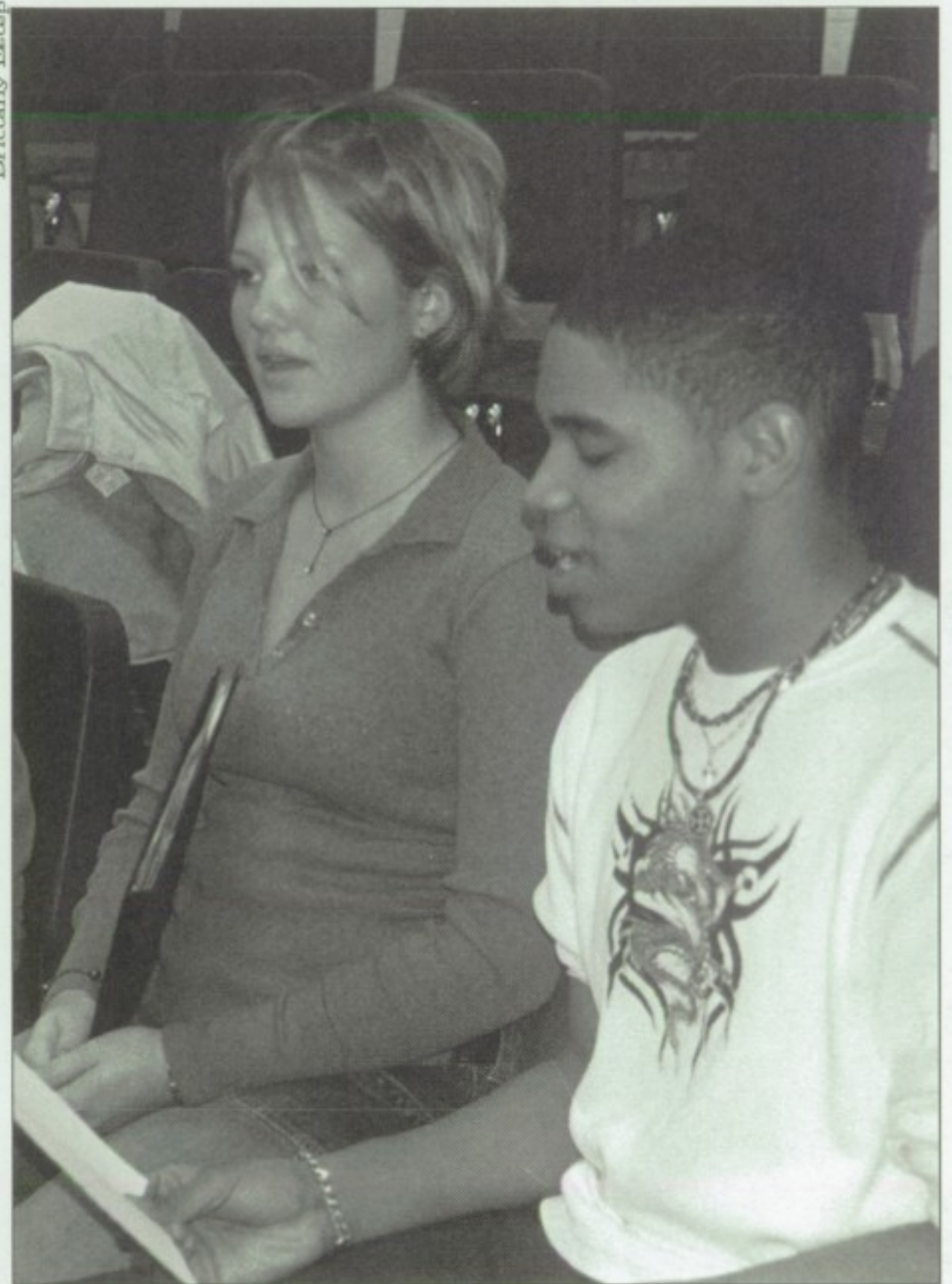


Brittany Estep

In the choir room, juniors Briana Durham and Natalie Ryan practice one of their many songs. Chamber singers tended to sit down while practicing to create a relaxed environment.

Juniors Ashley Strubing and Eddie Davis warm-up by singing a note on 'ah' as class begins. Warm-ups were necessary to make the choir sound their best.

Brittany Estep



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Brittany Estep

Chamber singers sophomore Colin Kirkeby and senior John Carrett listen to instructions. Members often had to stop singing to get new instructions.

Junior Briana Durham and seniors Meagan McIntyre and Tiffany Ippoliti sing. Durham, McIntyre, and Ippoliti were all members of the soprano I section.

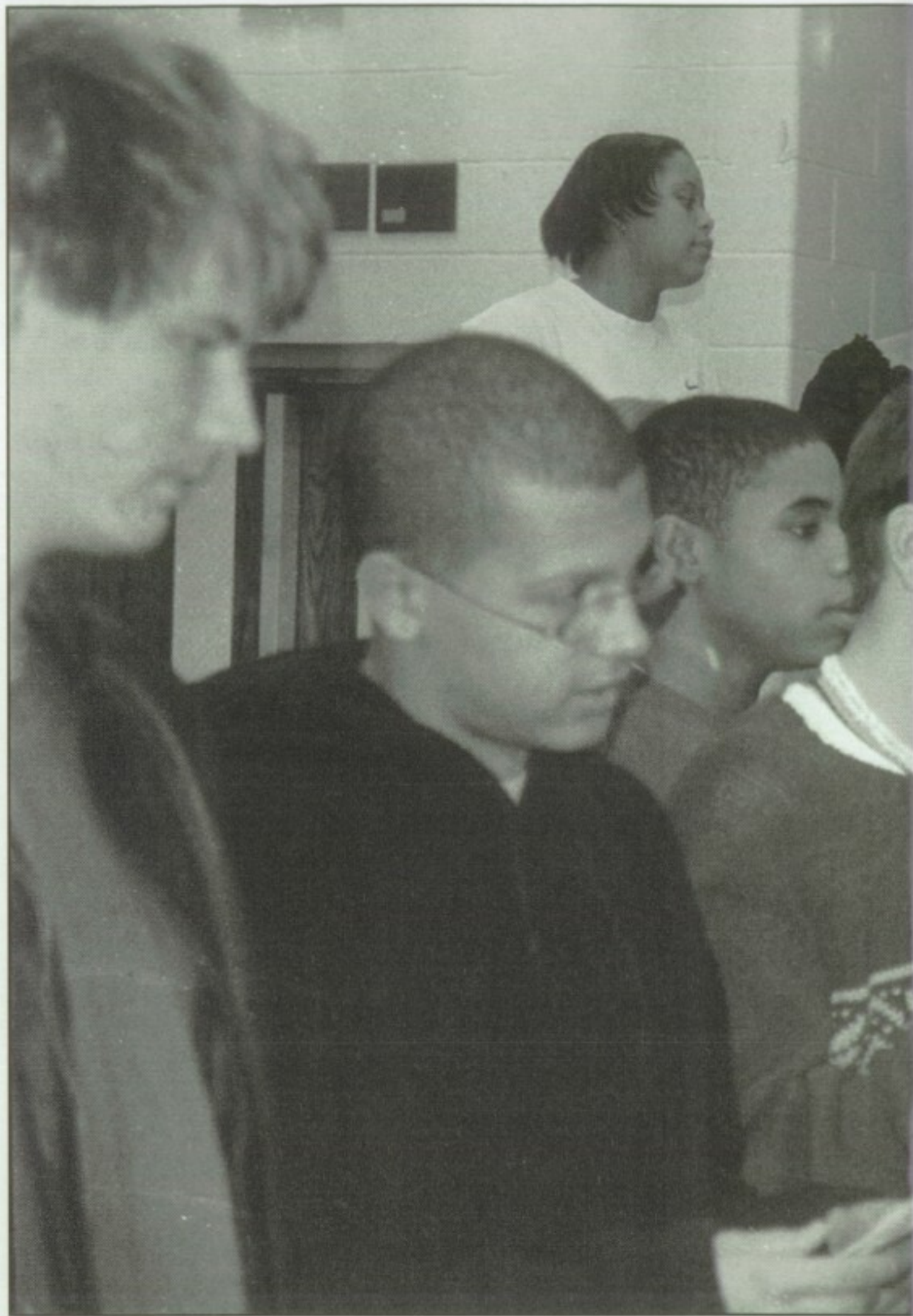
Freshman Chorale/ Mixed Chorus

At the fall concert, freshman Michelle Miller sings along with the Freshman Chorale. All the students were required to practice a certain amount of time before each concert for a grade.

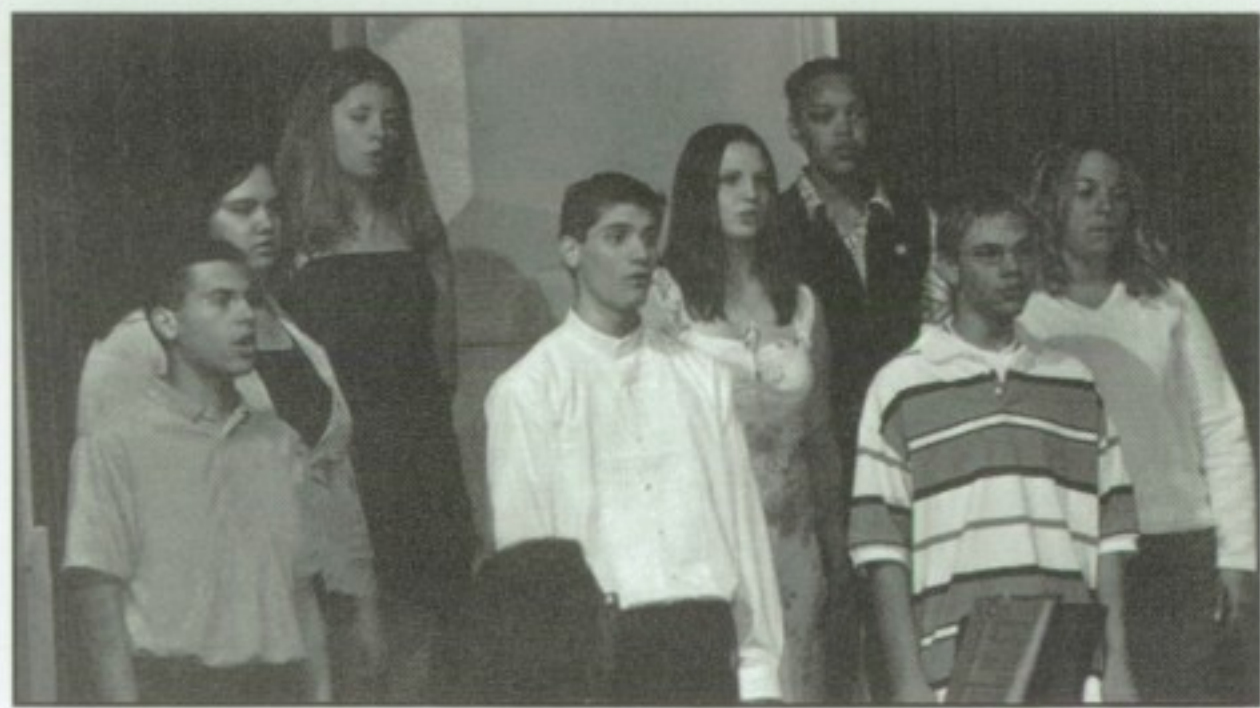
During class sophomores Kelvin Carroll, John Walker, Scott Adams, and junior Eddie Davis practice their songs for the fall concert. The fall concert was one of the four performances during the year.



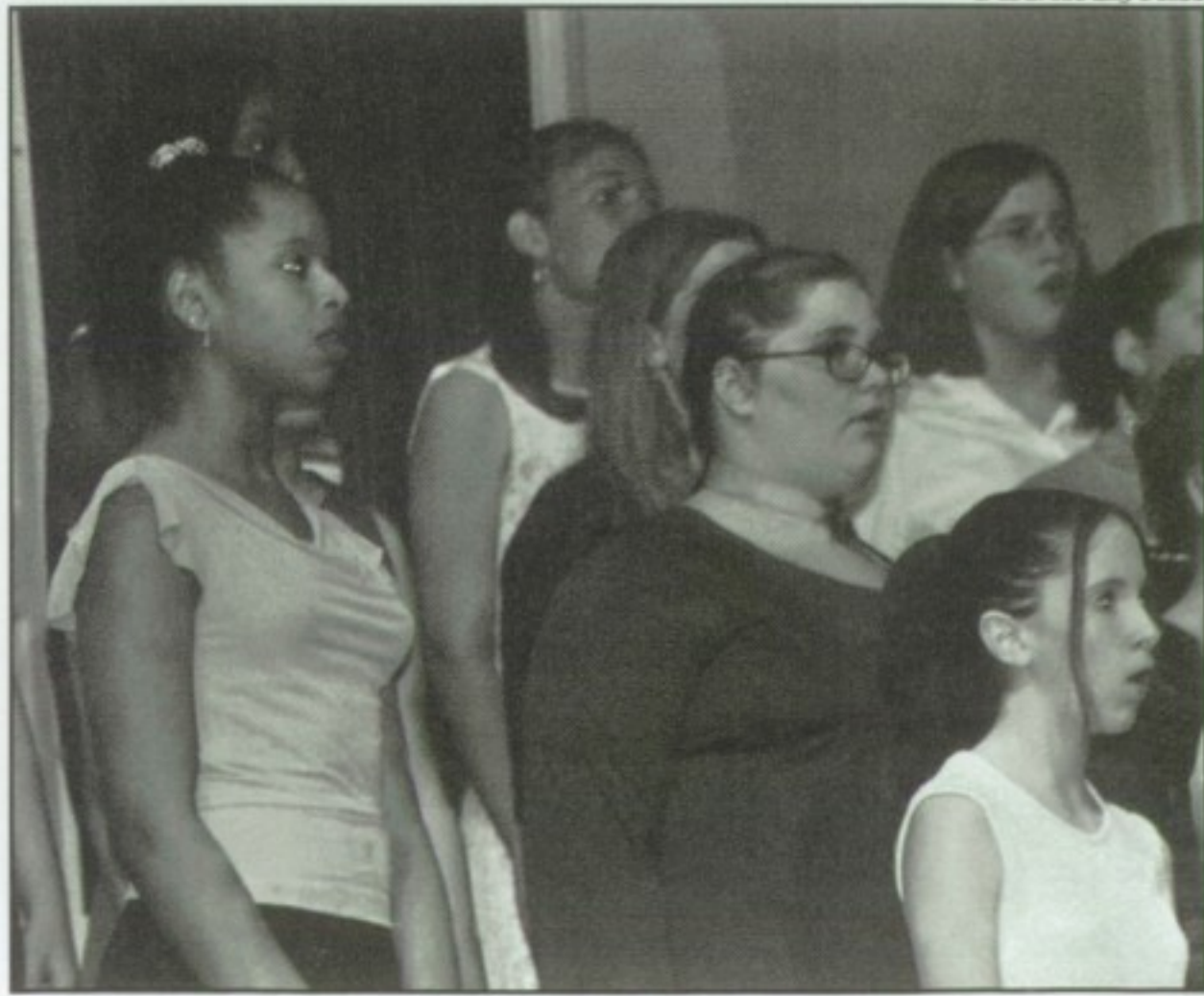
Kristel Eyrich



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At the fall performance, Mixed Chorus members sophomore John Walker, senior Daniel Henry, and sophomore Scott Adams sing "Praise The Lord." Mixed Chorus sang four songs at the concert.

Freshman Chorale members Vanessa Acosta, Aly Roark, and Angel Hoerner sing at the fall concert. Some members practiced every day after school in preparation for the concert.

Practice makes perfect

Long hours prepare the singers for concerts

Standing on stage looking out at the audience, members of Freshman Chorale and Mixed Chorus all had to perform whether they liked it or not.

Some students joined chorus because they had been singing since they were little or just felt like trying something new. Either way chorus gave students a chance to meet new people with the same interests.

Junior **Stephanie Smith** said she had been singing for twelve years and joined chorus to experience different styles of music. On the other hand, junior **Terah Mitchell** was motivated by her eighth grade teacher. Mitchell joined grade to upstage her sister.

Mitchell said, "I decided to so I could develop my voice better."

Some students liked Freshman Chorale because they got to help prepare the stage for the performance.

"We got to set up the stage and we got to go first," freshman **Maddie Doerr** said.

Others, like freshman **Micheal Kerbo**, enjoyed performing in front of an audience.

Kerbo said, "It is a lot of fun being up on the stage."

Doerr said that singing was one of her hobbies.

"I love to sing," Doerr said. "I plan to continue throughout high school and eventually be in Singers."

It took a lot of practice for both the choirs to be ready to perform on stage in class and outside of class. The students were given a practice tape with all their music on it and were supposed to practice 10 times for 15 minutes for a grade before each concert.

Kerbo said he practiced almost every day after school until about four but still enjoyed singing.

"I have been doing it (singing) since I was in first grade," Kerbo said. "It is just something I like."

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"It is a lot of fun being up on the stage." continue this year more so I could sing

What's your favorite part of singing in choir?

"I love to sing, and I like to hang out with the people."
Daniel Henery,
12



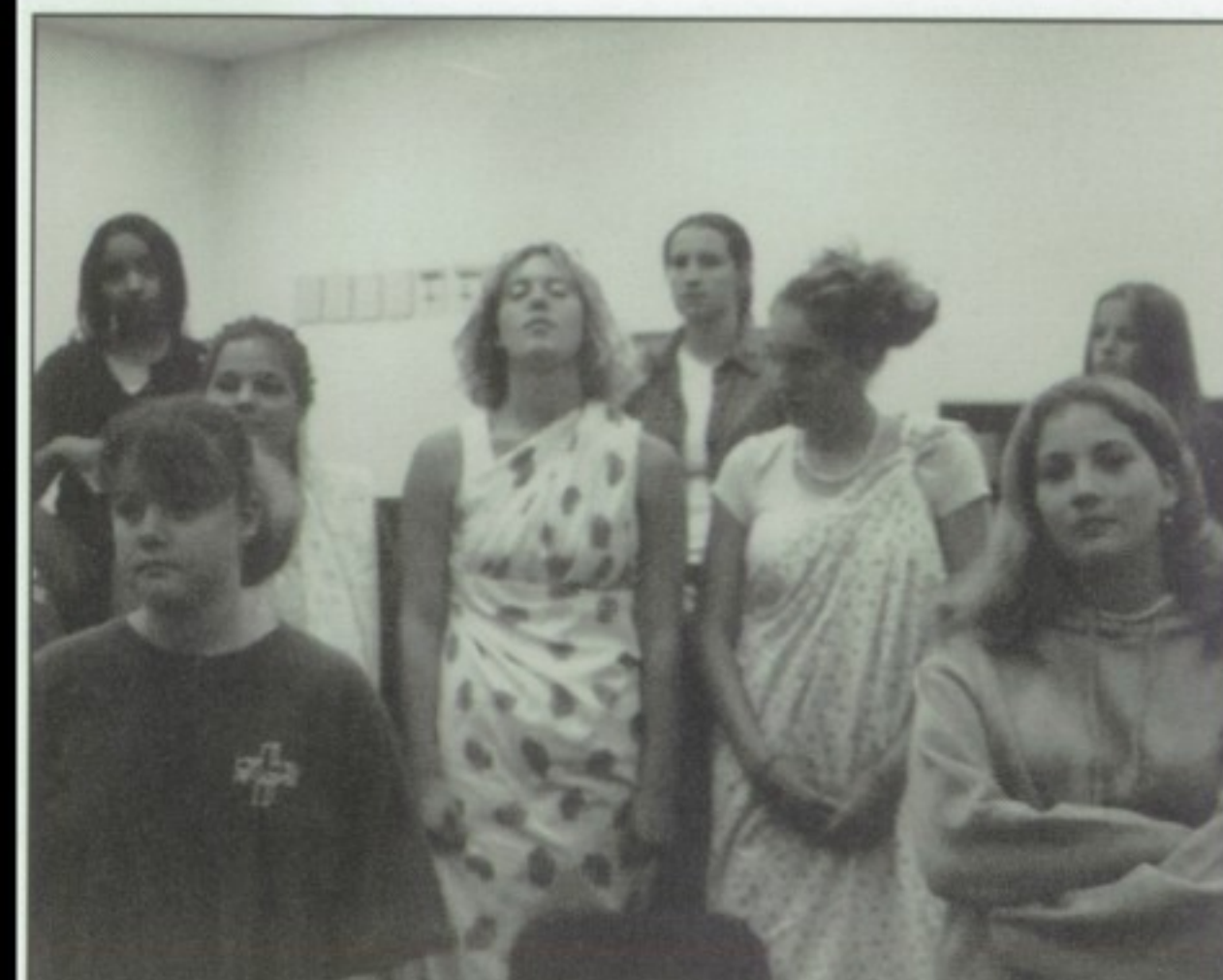
"Bringing the whole section together."
Laurie Grovum,
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"It's fun, because you learn a lot, and I get to sing with other people."
Kylene Davey,
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Jenny McCracken
Activities Coordinator



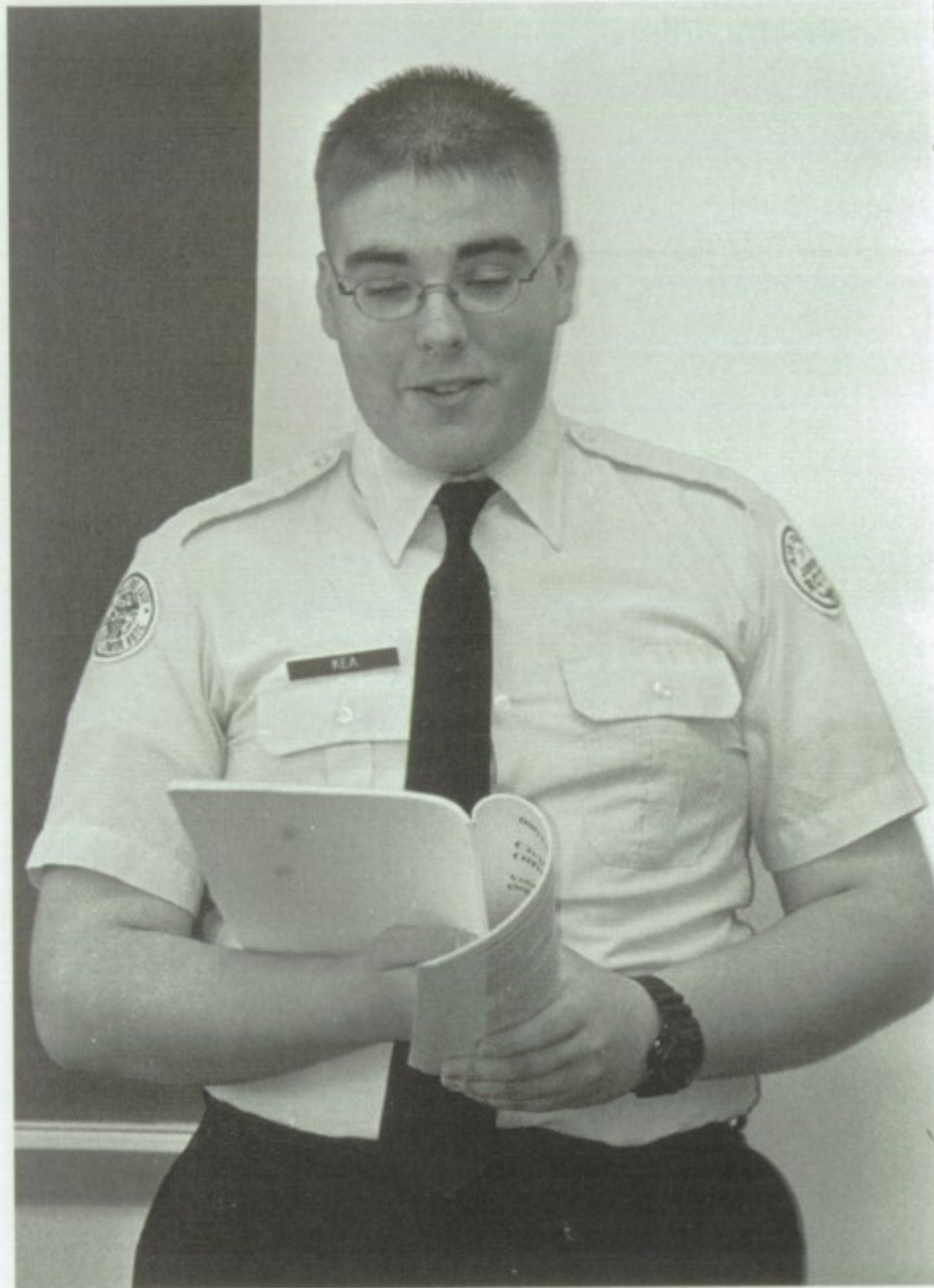
During Mixed Chorus, sophomores **Blythe Danowski**, **Ashly Banta**, senior **Erin Herrman**, and junior **Laurie Grovum** listen to instructions. Mixed Chorus was held fourth hour.

Sophomores **Sabrina Ebbing**, **Elyse Watson**, and **Vicki Stanback** warm up in Mixed Chorus. To learn the music better, the students learned solfege, or hand movements, before the words.

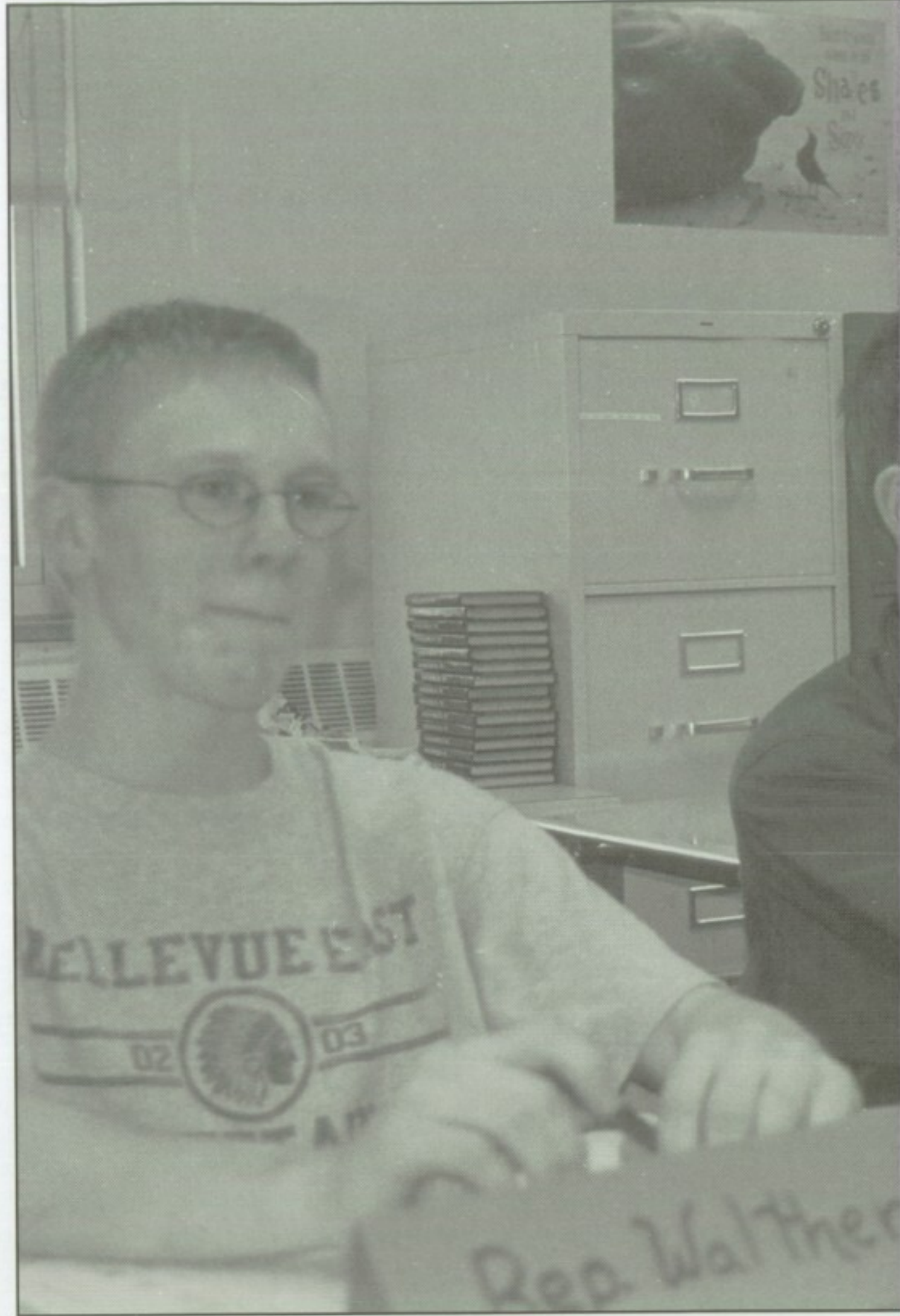
Performing Arts

Sophomore **Brandon Kea** anxiously performs for the class. Most people took debate in order to gain skills in writing and speaking.

Sophomores **Danny Walters** and **David Kring** are amused by the performance. Each person had to practice their debate by being different characters.



Sara Woolery



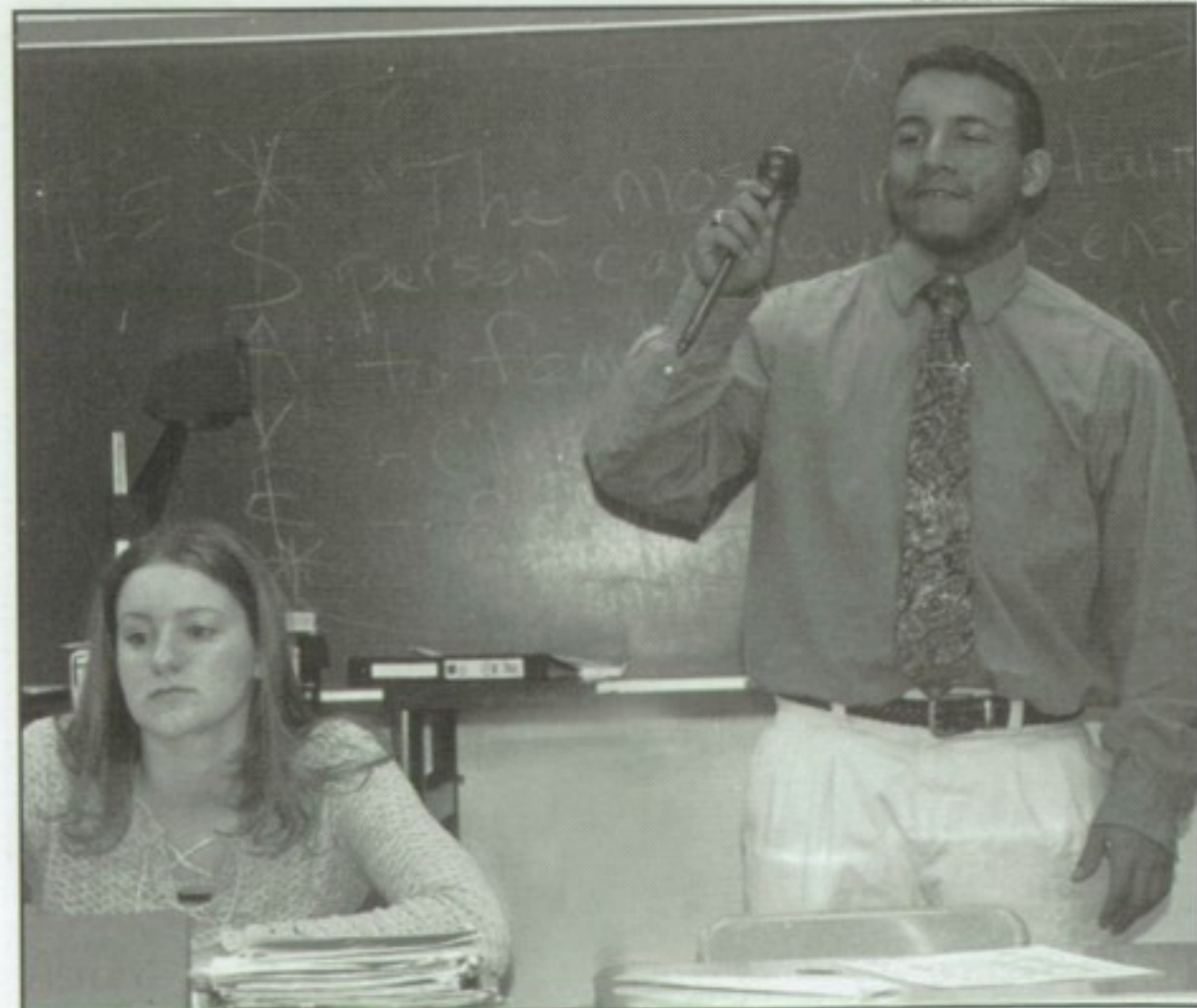
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Joey Anderson

Freshman **Brittany Hulett** and junior **Courtney Carnley** perform their speech in front of the class. Many speeches were about persuading or even just entertaining the audience.

Junior **Nick Holkom** stands up in the classroom, preparing for his speech. It took a lot of practice to get the speech prepared just enough to get the point across.



Hannah Chandler

Speaking their minds

Opportunities galore

Deciding to join a performing arts class could be a hard decision, because students didn't know which one was for them. But if speaking in front of others was what you preferred, you might have joined Debate or maybe Forensics.

In Forensics members could do interpretation, which was performing an act or speech from a movie or play. Or they could do original work, which was made up by the student.

Students got to compete against a lot of schools, Raymond Central being the toughest competitor. Competitions were often held on Fridays and then on Saturdays.

Sophomore **Tom Smaldone** was one of the students involved in Forensics. Smaldone enjoyed doing Humorous Interpretation. He had been working on an interpretation involving a baby born without a heart. He liked competing with his piece to see how he would

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"A couple of weeks ago I tied for first in Humorous Interpretation at Millard West," Smaldone said.

Smaldone had heard about Forensics through other members. But hearing encouragement wasn't the only reason people joined. Students could get scholarships, it looked good on a college application, and students were able to travel and compete.

"It's the 'club of opportunities,'" Forensics coach **John Campbell** said.

Although participating in activities like Debate and Forensics took up time for students and teachers, those involved in the activities felt it was worth the time.

Debate coach **Melissa Goldax** said, "I really enjoy watching my kids improve, and when they think outside the box, because openmindedness is important in today's society."

SARAH SHIPMAN
Staff Writer

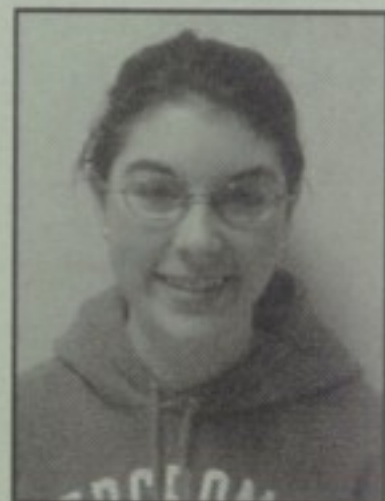
What's your funniest moment?

"WHEN I WALKED INTO THE GUYS BATHROOM."
MANDY MANSAVAGE,
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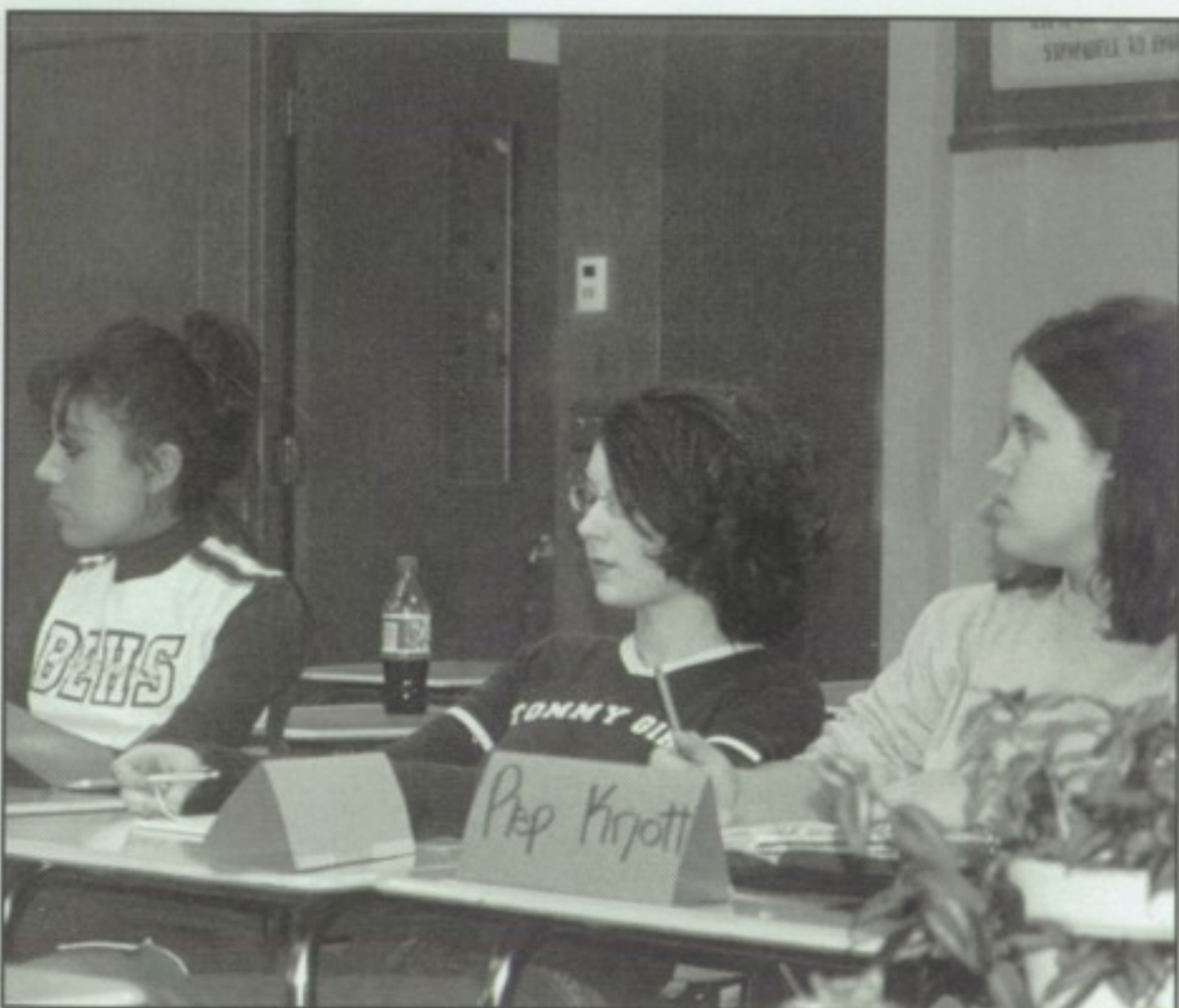


"WHEN SOME JUDGE WAS PICKING HIS NOSE."
JESSIE MARTIN,
10

"I WAS SCREAMING AT THIS GUY IN A DISAGREEMENT."
MARIE LITTLE,
9



Voice Your Choice



Hannah Chandler



Hannah Chandler

Sophomore **Ashley Loudd** and freshman **Marie Little** wait for their turn to present their debate in class. Students were also given a chance to compete outside of school.

During a Forensics performance, sophomore **Jessie Martin** laughs as her partner, junior **Elizabeth Rolings**, performs. Forensics students often practiced their speeches in the upper commons.

After school, freshman Jessica Becker gets her stage make-up done for the fall play *Much Ado About Nothing*. The performers stayed late each night in order to practice and prepare for the play.



Nikola Stoker

Freshman Cassie Lawrence works on her assignment in Drama class. The Drama students worked a lot in the classroom preparing their skits for their ten minute plays.



Sara Woolery

What's your favorite thing about Drama?

"Everybody in Drama is really great."
Jerrica Wild,
9



"It's a great group, and we're like a big family."
Rachel Lower,
9

"You get to build better people skills and the ability to work with others."
Jason Vonbehren,
10



Voice Your Choice

The future awaits It all begins in Drama class

Joey Anderson

Everyone has to start somewhere. From Judy Garland in *The Wizard of Oz* to Tom Hanks in *Cast Away*, Drama is what started a wonderful career for these actors and many more. Bellevue East students were also able to show off their talents by joining Drama.

Drama was a class where it was acceptable to be yourself or even someone else. It was a class where it was required to be energetic and a class where the imagination was used.

"The teacher is awesome and fun, exciting, and liberating. It you to interact with other people. being in Drama for the next two sophomore Kylene Davey said.

"My favorite thing about getting to act out the lifestyles of someone else and to see the outlook of someone else. Plus I like getting out of school, and I just love acting," sophomore Jason Vonbehren said.

Drama I students began their first year working on skits, ten minute plays, and silent acts known as pantomime.

Every month Drama II paid a small visit to the elementary schools in Bellevue, performing their one act plays and entertaining the young students.

Drama II, III, and IV competed for the best one act performances with other schools. East got very good ratings.

"I joined Drama because I love acting and I am very dramatic!" freshman Rachel Lower said.

Some students joined the class to get rid of their fear of getting up in front of an audience, others enjoyed the class because their all time dream was to win a Grammy for being the best actor in a movie. Whatever the reason, many East students agreed it was a class worth taking.

"I joined Drama because I love to act and I am very dramatic!"

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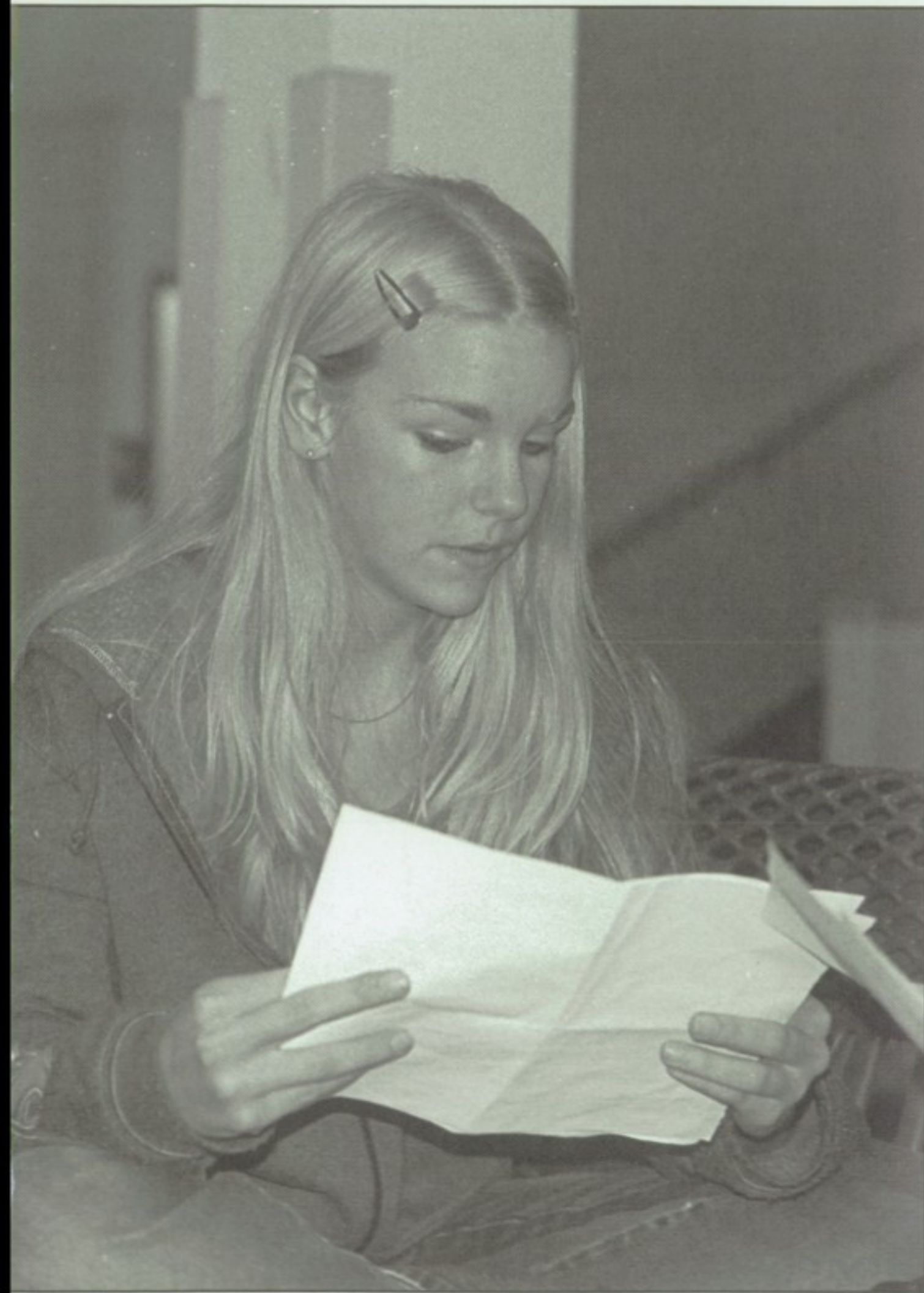
Sara Woolery

In the Drama room, freshman Zach McDonald goes through his papers to analyze his upcoming part in a skit. Drama had many assignments that took a lot of hard work to prepare for.

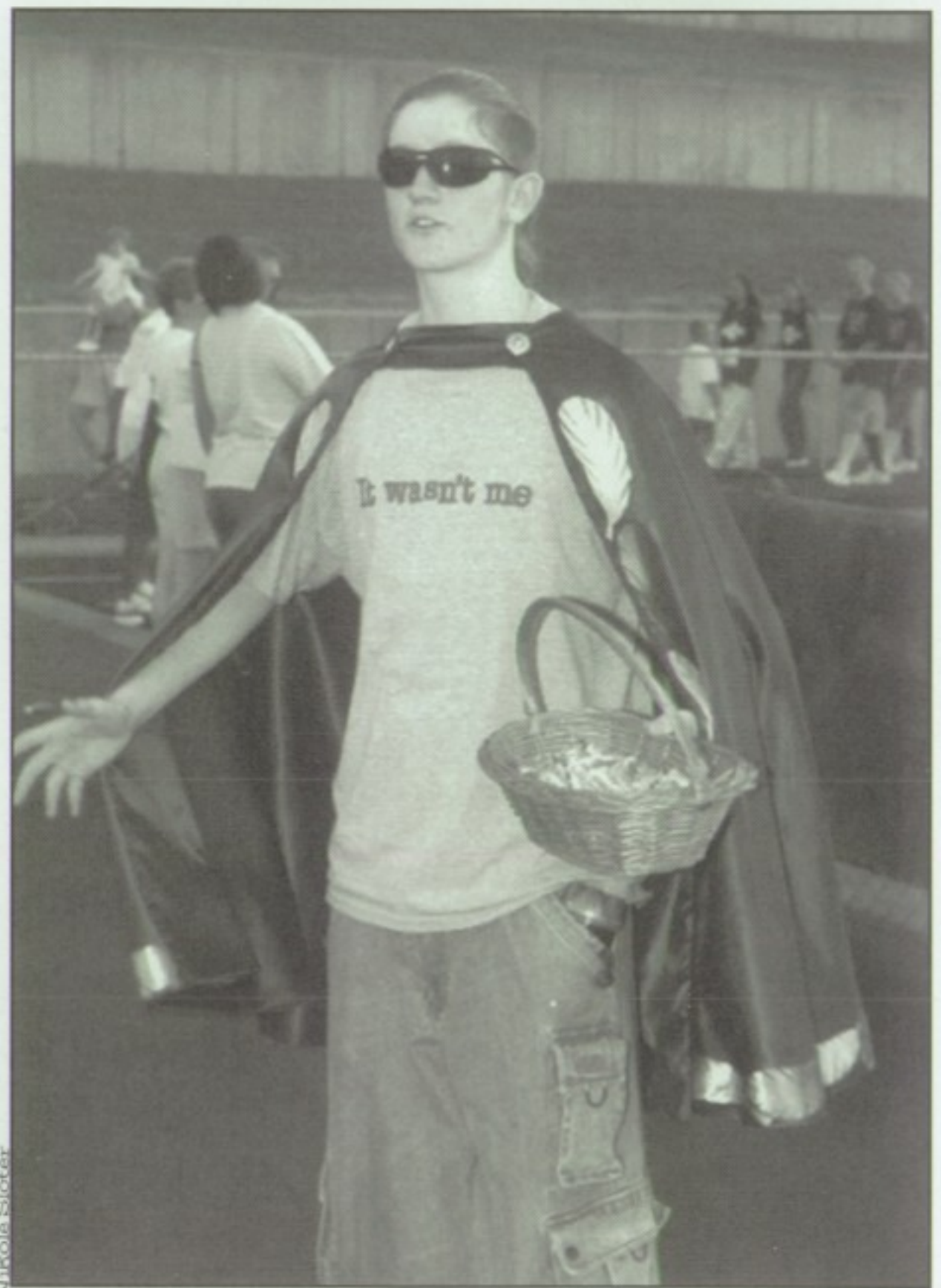
Sophomore Jordan Jenkins applies stage make-up to senior Caleb Brown. Stage make-up had to be put on all performers in order to have their faces stand out in the bright lights.



Nikole Sliker



Nikole Sliker



In the freshman commons, freshman Christina Trout rehearses her lines for a 10 minute play with her partner. Many students practiced their lines there because of the open space and quietness.

Sophomore Josh Smith stands out in the football stadium handing out candy to all the people walking by. Drama students had a lot of fun doing many activities where they were able to dress up.

Drama

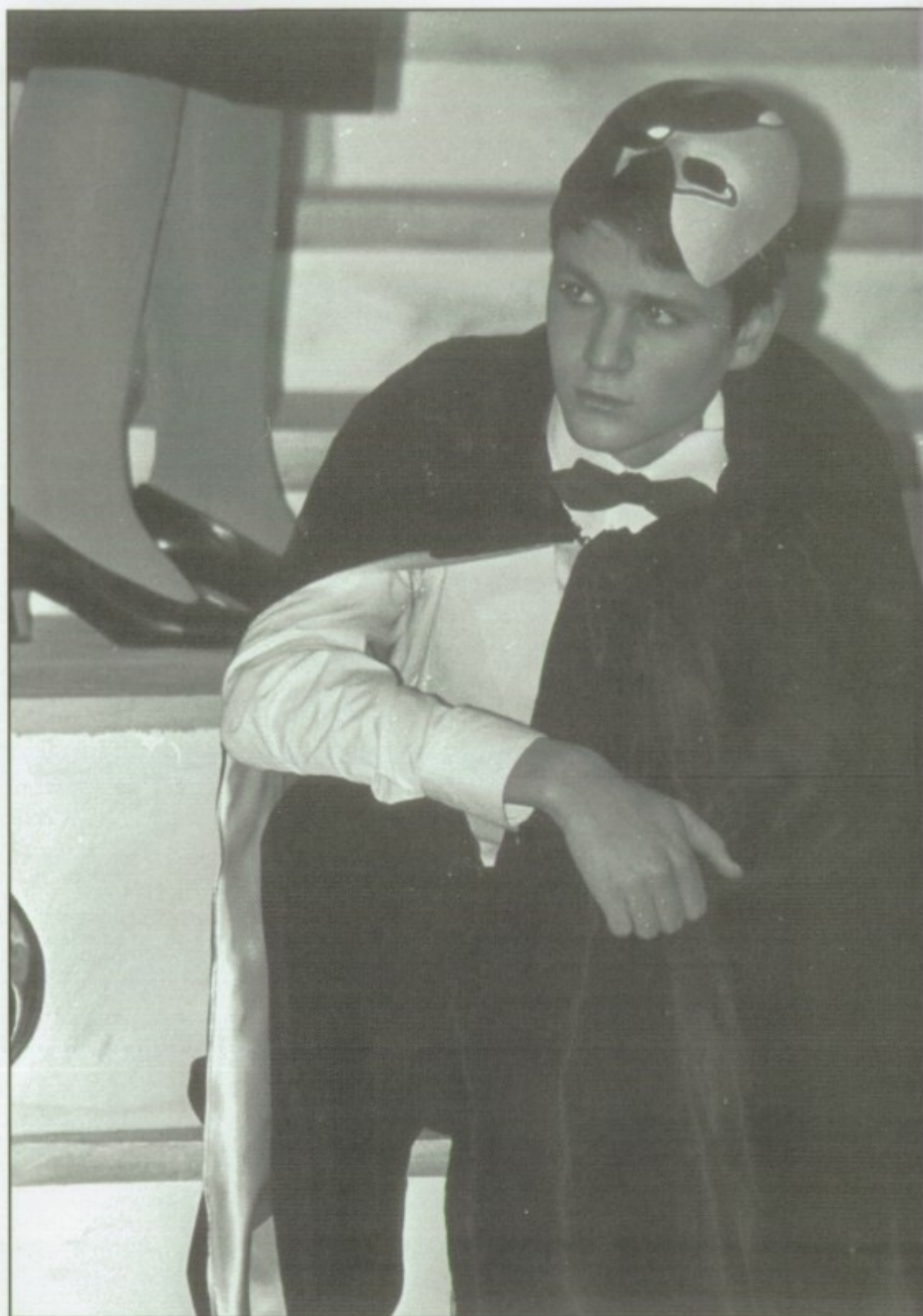
Fall Play

Declaring his hatred for Beatrice, junior **Chris Stewart** performs his part in the fall play *Much Ado About Nothing*. It was Stewart's first year performing in the fall play.

Heartbroken and saddened, junior **Jared Kouba** wallows in his self-pity. Kouba enjoyed performing Shakespeare because it was a different kind of challenge.



Mike Crum



Mike Crum

Plotting against Claudio, junior **Jason Von Berhen**, freshman **Zach Oehem**, and junior **Sean DeBuhr** perform in the fall play. They were part of Don Pedro's gang.

Behind the scenes, senior **Jennifer Kurtz** applies make-up to senior **Clayton Simmons**. Simmons played the part of Antonio in the fall play.



Andrew Bailie

Crowd pleaser

Fall play a success

Creeping around the stage pretending to be a tree, junior **Chris Stewart** played his part as Benadick, Lord from Padua, in the fall play Willam Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*.

The play was performed November 7th, 8th, and 9th, 2002, by the Bellevue East Chieftain Theatre. The play was a crowd pleaser and sent people falling out of their chairs with laughter and in awe over the romance on stage. While acting in the play, all the cast members worked together as a team-they

sort of made a family. Stewart said, "Acting somehow brought us together."

Spending so much time together that people know a lot of new things about my environment."

Junior **Jessie Watson** said she enjoyed acting so much because it was a "life-long achievement."

"It gives me a chance to become someone else," Watson said. "I love giving the audience a chance to understand and see how an actress or her character can make them feel."

The Gulling scene seemed to be everyone's favorite. Novak said he enjoyed the Gulling scene because "it was difficult to learn." In that scene Stewart was romantically set up, so it was a scene filled with physical humor.

"It was one of the few scenes where I could tell that the audience was engaged and laughing," Stewart said.

Stewart and Watson both planned to act in the following year's play. Stewart said he wanted to continue acting up until college but not pursue it as a career. Watson, on the other hand, wanted to become a professional actress.

Watson said, "I would like to continue my life with acting so I could contribute to the world. I want people to be able to relate to my characters. I love making people happy, and acting helps me do that."

"Acting gives me a chance to become someone else."

"Something, someone, together. It was unbelievable."

time together, it's inevitable. I would become close. I said, "I got to get to people and got to get out

What was the funniest part of the play?

"When Chris Stewart was listening to other people on stage, he was pretending to be a tree so no one would see him." Jenny Palmer, 11



"When the messengers came in and the girl was saying vroom vroom the whole time."

Ashley DuFree, 10

"Chris Stewart with his tree!" Robbie Jenkner, 10



Voice Your Choice

Jenny McCracken
Activities Coordinator



Declaring his love, junior **Jared Kouba** proposes to junior **Jessi Watson** at the climax of the play. **Erin Herrmann** watched as the two talked about their love for each other.

Senior **Rachael Slagel** and senior **Clayton Simons** discuss the future of their daughters and who they will marry. Slagel and Simons were both also in one-act plays.

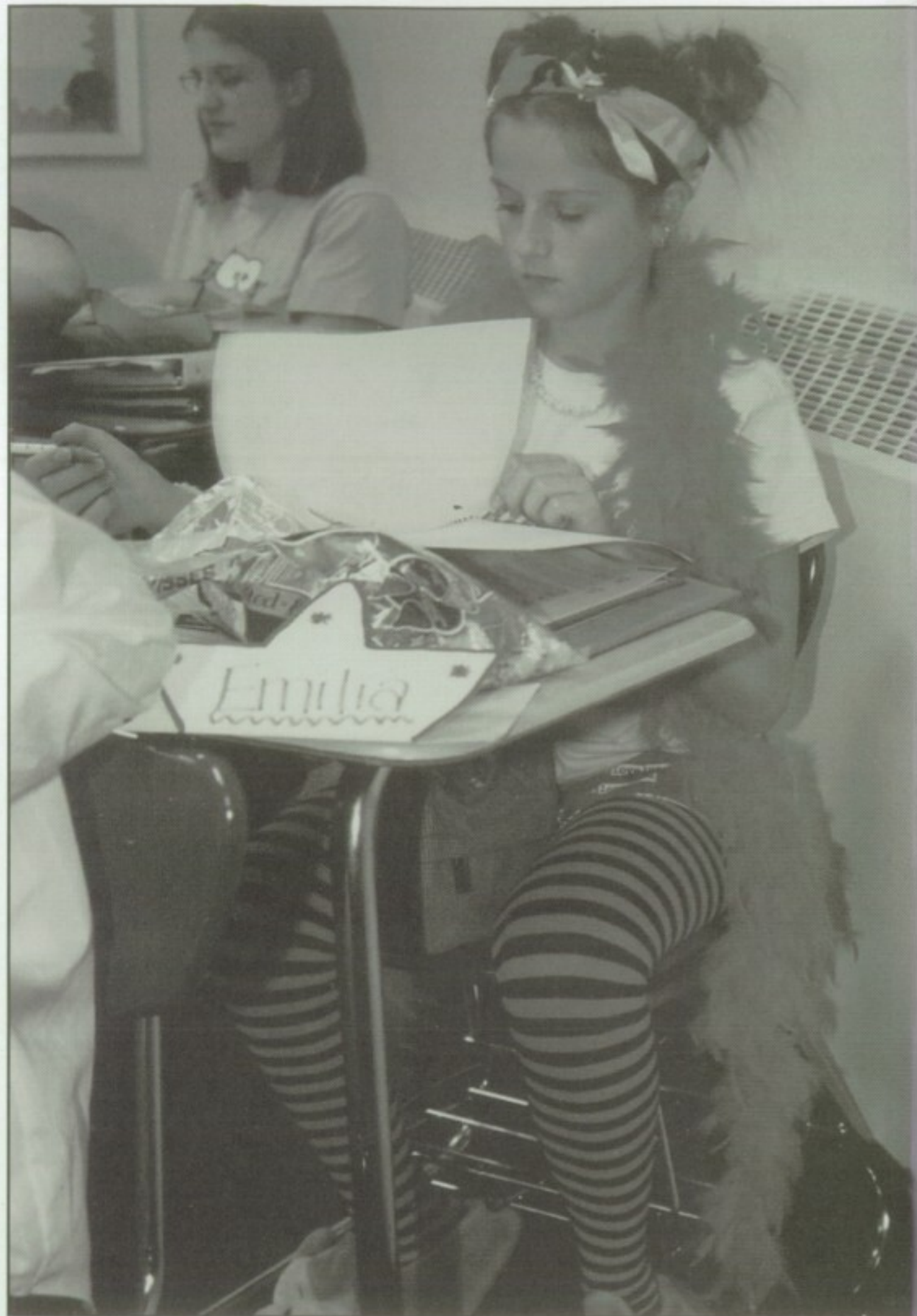
Student Council

While writing on the overhead during a class, Biology teacher Mary Koehly shows her spirit by dressing up on Crazy Day. Many teachers participated in Spirit Week by dressing up.

During Spanish class sophomore Emily Holdaway wears colorful clothing for Crazy Day. Since Holdaway participated in cheerleading, she was required to dress up during Spirit Week.



Nikole Slotter



Scott Stearns

After giving blood seniors Nicole Stearns, Tiffany Parnell, and Sarah Drummond lay on a mat to get their strength back. Student Council provided snacks for students and teachers after they gave blood.

In the upper commons, Student Council sponsor John Campbell, sophomore Scott Adams, juniors Erin Kolarik and Sarah Bezy, and senior Zach Zimmer admire junior Andrea Deegan. Students who dressed up could participate in a contest.



Nikole Slotter

Decision making

Fundraisers help bring money for Student Council activities

Nichole Stoker

Did you ever wonder where all the decorations for Bellevue East events came from? Did you ask yourself, "Who came up with those crazy fundraisers?" Well it came to East courtesy of the Student Council, headed up by English teacher **John Campbell**.

"The students that are in Student Council are more concerned about the school they attend than others. It's not really the work that I like, but it's the students and being around kids that care about their building and making their community a better place for everyone," Campbell said.

Student Council covered everything from Homecoming and iFlirtz surveys to the Blood

"I think the Penny keep my blood, so I don't ing the Blood Drive," **Demmick** said.

While on Student make class decisions and classmates. Through all the planning, considering, and ideas, every- thing usually turned out just right, without too much chaos.

"At the beginning of the year it was busy, and after Homecoming it wasn't as busy because a lot of the people left Student Council," junior **Sarah Bezy** said.

Everything needed someone to run it, and that's where the officers came in. With the help of Campbell, getting everything organized and putting people to work was usually easy and tasks always got completed.

No matter how long it took or how much stress they endured, some did stay in Student Council for all four years.

"Being in Student Council for all four years gives you somewhere where you belong. It's all about working with a diverse group of people and getting a certain objective done," senior **Maria Wever** said.

Most of the people that were in Student Council put in a lot of effort into making each and every event that they helped with dif- ferent and interesting.

"Basically I work with the rest of the ninth [graders], and this Mon- day we're going shopping for the Women and Child Abuse Center," freshman **Cassandra Finnell** said.

Many enjoyed being part of a council that could help Bellevue East. They recruited more and more people each year, and that is what made everything work like clockwork.

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What's your funniest moment from Student Council?

"Talking to all the people at the Blood-Drive and seeing their reactions."

Kristel Eyrich, 12



"Decorating for Homecoming because it was fun trying to use the glitter."

Julia Paul, 11



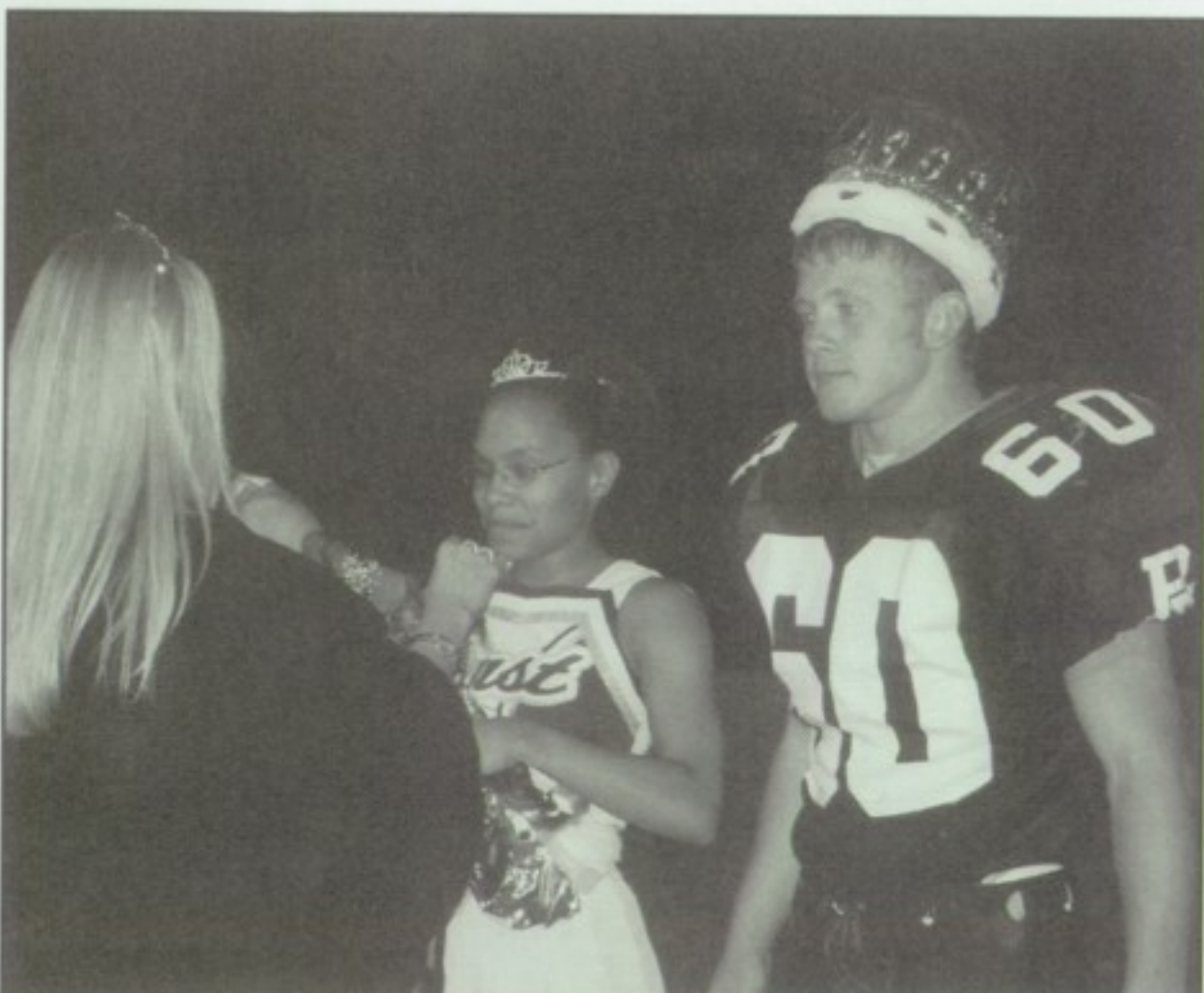
"Decorating at Homecoming because it was really fun."

Kesha Miller, 12

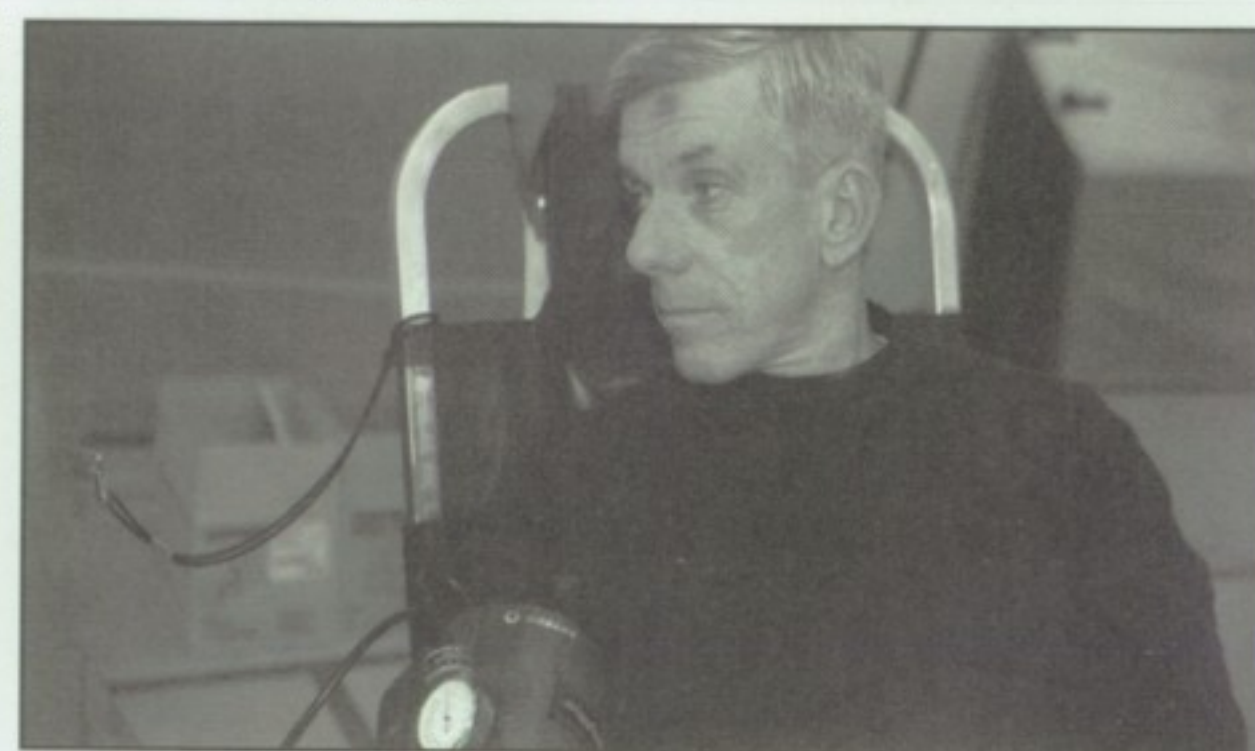


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Sara Woolery
Staff Writer



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Scott Seaba

During halftime at the Homecoming game, seniors **Raquel Crewe** and **John Kumor** are announced Homecoming king and queen. The king and queen were announced at the game instead of the dance.

JROTC teacher **Bill Steele** waits for the donation process to begin. Steele was one of many teachers who participated in the blood drive.

ROTC

Junior Alex Colby, sophomore James Nicholas, and senior Rozilynn Breedlove march in the Aerospace Parade. All ROTC members participated in the parade.

Seniors Kevin Johnson, Jessie Ruiz, Amanda Dillard and sophomores Brandon Kea, Zack Powell, and Troy Wajada stand together while the National Anthem plays before the football game.



Sara Woolery



Hannah Chandler



Joey Anderson



In regards to September 11th, ROTC students sophomore Brandon Kea and seniors Jessie Ruiz and Amanda Dillard show their respect for the many lives lost. All of Bellevue East stood together in silence.

Junior Rozilynn Breedlove holds her rifle and marches down the street in the Aerospace Parade. All of the students marched together down Mission Avenue.

A new year

Several improvements

Their shoes were shined, hair pulled back, feet together, and their heads were up high. They were the students involved in the Reserve Officer Training Corps, better known as ROTC.

It's not just a club or another activity to join. It's a group, a class where students learned about being a citizen in preparation for the future.

"It helps them to find their strengths and weaknesses and to develop the skills to work with other people," **Master Sergeant William Ickes** said.

When it came to citizenship, students had no problem giving hand where it was needed. They were involved in many activity-bringing up spirits and holiday the people at the Hill Crest Re-Center. ROTC students also usher at the Heartland Band Concert.

"Joining ROTC is a way to leadership and learning how to listen to others," senior **Maria Bernard** said.

Several improvements were made for ROTC. They included a lot more variety in activities, such as dances and parties.

A new advisor was also welcomed to the ROTC group, **Chief Master Sergeant Rich Casey**.

"It's not only a class for homework, but we do different, fun activities like team building, and we teach them leadership and how to be a better citizen," Sergeant Casey said. "It's also a class to build friendships and to get to know each other more, not only in class but outside of it too."

In ROTC they awarded the students for their behavior and success as individuals. The advisors picked a student each week who was a role model and followed all the criteria as a leader. Advisors also looked at inspection scores and tested marching group activities. The students were recognized as Cadet of the Week. To award the different flights, they had Flight of the Week.

"I think ROTC offers a variety, so we can suit the needs of many different students," Sergeant Ickes said. "It offers skills they need to have a great life."

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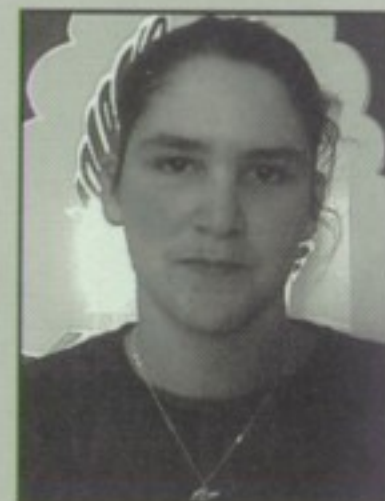
What's your funniest moment?

"WHEN I WAS CADET OF THE WEEK, I TRIPPED OVER MY BACKPACK AND EVERYONE LAUGHED."
MATT CHAMP, 9



"WHEN I GOT HIT IN THE FACE WITH A RIFLE."
BRANDON KEA, 10

"WE WERE AT KITTIE HAWK DINING AND WE HAD A CAKE FIGHT."
MARIA BERNARD, 12



Voice Your Choice

Brittany Estep
Activities Creditor



Bellevue East ROTC students march down the street in the Aerospace Parade, holding a sign representing their group. They showed their pride with a sign of excellence.

During the Aerospace Parade, students march together while Bellevue residents watch. Bellevue East ROTC marched in the parade every year.

Sophomores Troy Wajada and Brandon Kea stand in position as senior Kevin Johnson lowers the flag. The students and faculty crowded around the flag pole in silence out of respect for the many lives lost on September 11th.

In the Bellevue East gym senior Kevin Johnson stands in position. ROTC students worked hard in order to march together and turn on count. They performed at school functions, like before band performances.



Joey Anderson



Scott Swaba

What's your favorite thing about ROTC?

"All of the trips we take and the military ball."
James Nicholas,
10



"I like the drill teams."
Tasha Loudermilk,
9

"I liked the military ball."
Zack Powell,
10



Voice Your Choice

Getting down to business

With all of the fun comes work

Although the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) consisted of marching and drilling maneuvers, the classes still had fun by playing games and having their annual JROTC Sports Night.

The JROTC sports night consisted of games, food, and most of all fun. Another reason to have the night of activities was to get to know each other and build group morale.

JROTC instructor lieutenant Colonel Bill Steele said, Night is a great activity. Part team building. This helps do

Some of the games basketball, volleyball, capture ping pong. Along with a variety of physical activities, there was a game room where the non-cadets could hang out. All of this was planned by a group of cadets led by junior Alex Colby.

"Planning a night that everyone will enjoy is a hard task," Colby said, "but when it all comes together, it's great to know that I made it all happen."

Other JROTC students found satisfaction in JROTC's other activities.

"Being on drill team gives me a higher respect for what the real Air Force does on a daily basis. Also it's fun to do," senior Amanda Dillard said.

JROTC sponsors also liked their role. In his second year leading the JROTC, Steele said he enjoyed teaching the classes how to be better citizens, how to become involved in the community, and that the Air Force isn't only a branch in the military.

"After teaching JROTC, I'm sure that most of the students have a better respect for the community and themselves," Steele said.

"It's great to know that I made it all happen."

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Joey Anderson



Joey Andersen
Sports Co-editor



Michael Crum

Freshman Chris Dryden and his date dance together at the military ball. The ROTC students held a dance where all the students could converse with other students and have a good time.

Sophomore Brandon Kea and seniors Amanda Dillard and Kevin Johnson stand together as senior Jessi Ruiz holds the American Flag. The students stood outside together performing a routine.



Joey Anderson



Michael Crum

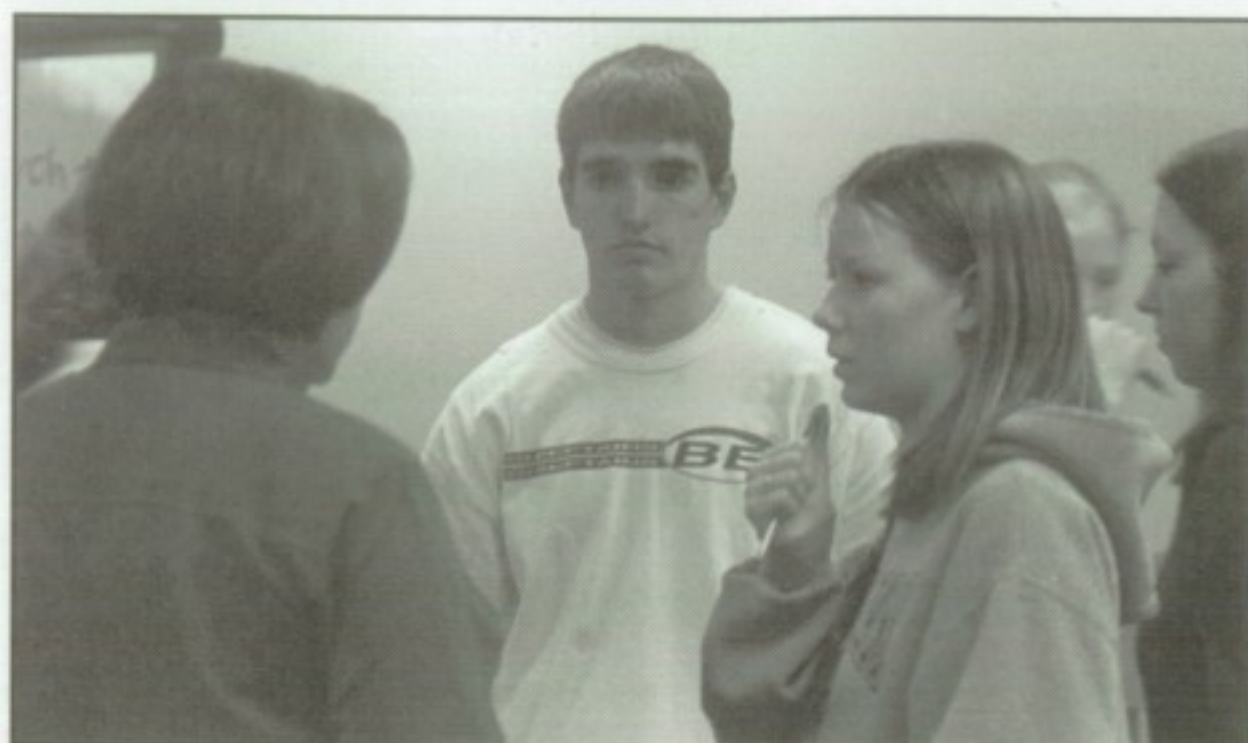


Freshmen Ashley Wilson, Robert Corey, and Samantha Stockholm stand together as they march in the auditorium. The ROTC students had to make sure everything was right, from their uniforms to the position they were in.

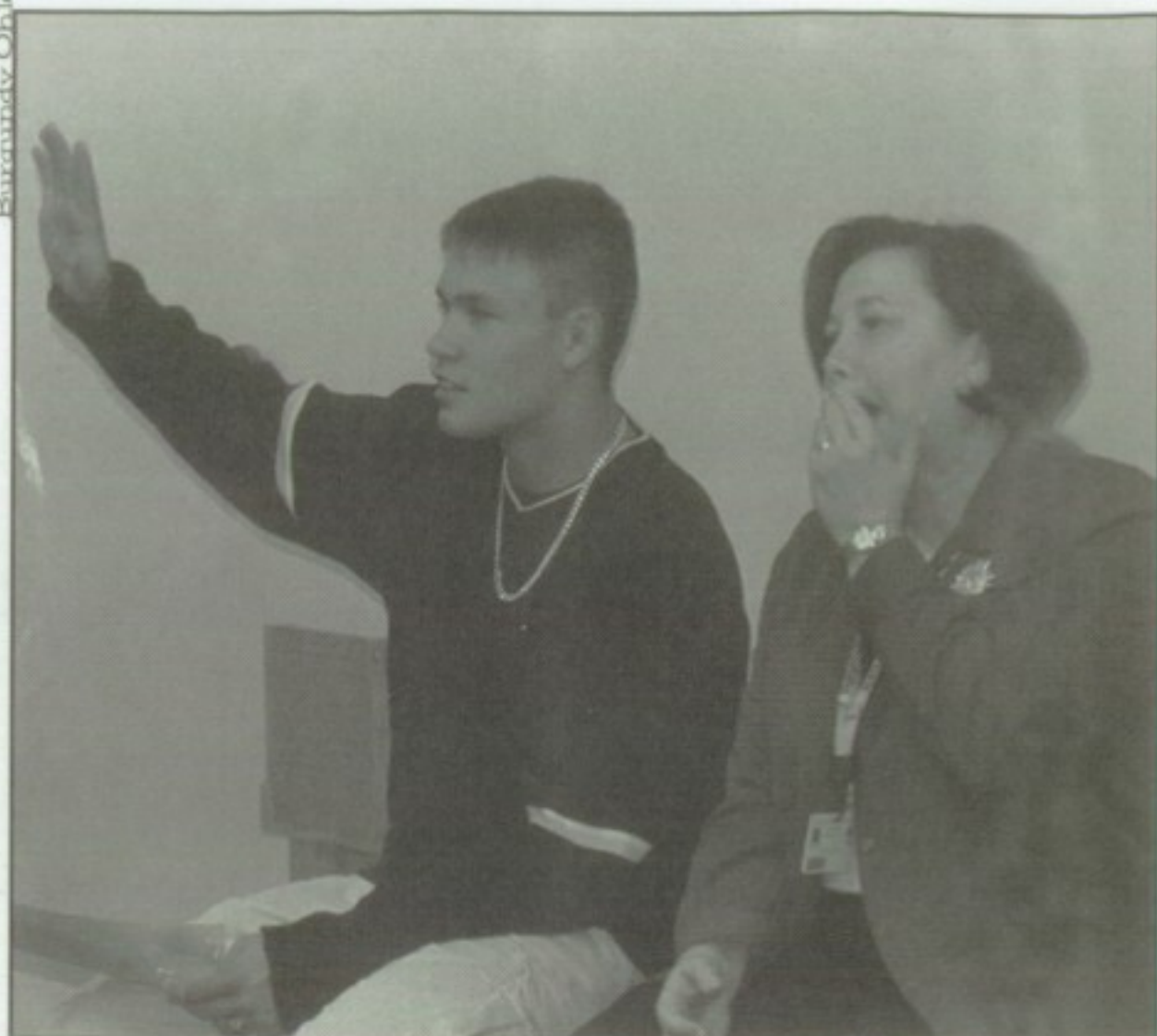
Sophomore Robbie Jenkner breaks out some dance moves on the dance floor at the military ball. The military ball was held every year for the ROTC students and their dates.

Sponsor Elaine Johnson talks to National Honor Society members senior Paul Svensson and junior Tonya Baily. NHS members met twice every month, alternating from morning to after school meetings.

Senior Aaron Foster, sitting by Elaine Johnson, raises his hand in a discussion at one of the National Honor Society meetings. The members planned their next activity, such as canned food drives and book readings at elementary schools.



Barrandy Ohle



Barrandy Ohle

What's your favorite thing about NHS?

"We do so much community service."
Rachael Slagle
 12



"Doing community projects with friends."
Ariana Astley
 12

Voice Your Choice

What it takes

Benefits for the future

National Honor Society was a club for students who wanted to achieve their full potential.

Before a student could become a member of the NHS, they had to meet special requirements and have teacher recommendations.

Teacher recommendations were made on the basis of service, leadership, character, and scholarship. Students had to have a 70 percent teacher approval rating in order to be inducted into the club.

"I didn't know what NHS was at first," junior **Chassidy Veik** said. "But once I got the paper explaining what it was, it really was a goal to become a member."

NHS recruited students year to become potential members that became members in the previous year were formally inducted in the spring.

Once a student was inducted into NHS, they had to receive a certain amount of service and meeting points. Seven points was the minimum requirement. Members obtained points by attending and helping with planned activities such as being a substitute Santa, Habitat for Humanity, being a study buddy, or many other activities.

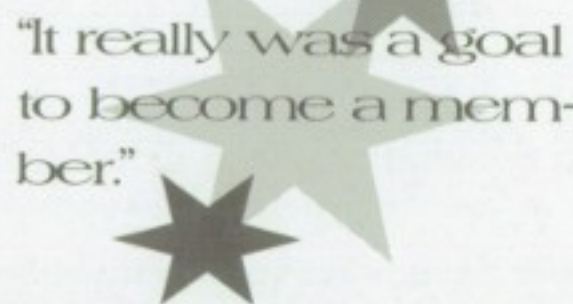
One of the easier ways of earning points was through pop tabs, which earned one point for every 200 tabs.

"I gained three service points with pop tabs," junior **Clair Keene** said. "My parents collect them where they work, so I had about 2000 pop tabs."

Activities were discussed during meetings, which were led by president **Paul Svensson**, vice president **Eric Nielsen**, secretaries **Maria Weaver** and **Erin Herrmann**, and junior officers **Scott Stewart** and **Erin Kolarik**.

"We did something new with our meeting schedule this year," NHS sponsor **Elaine Johnson** said. "That way all of our members could attend."

NHS held meetings every other week and switched between meeting in the library before school and C-19 after school. The alternation of the meetings helped many students be able to attend meetings and get their required points.



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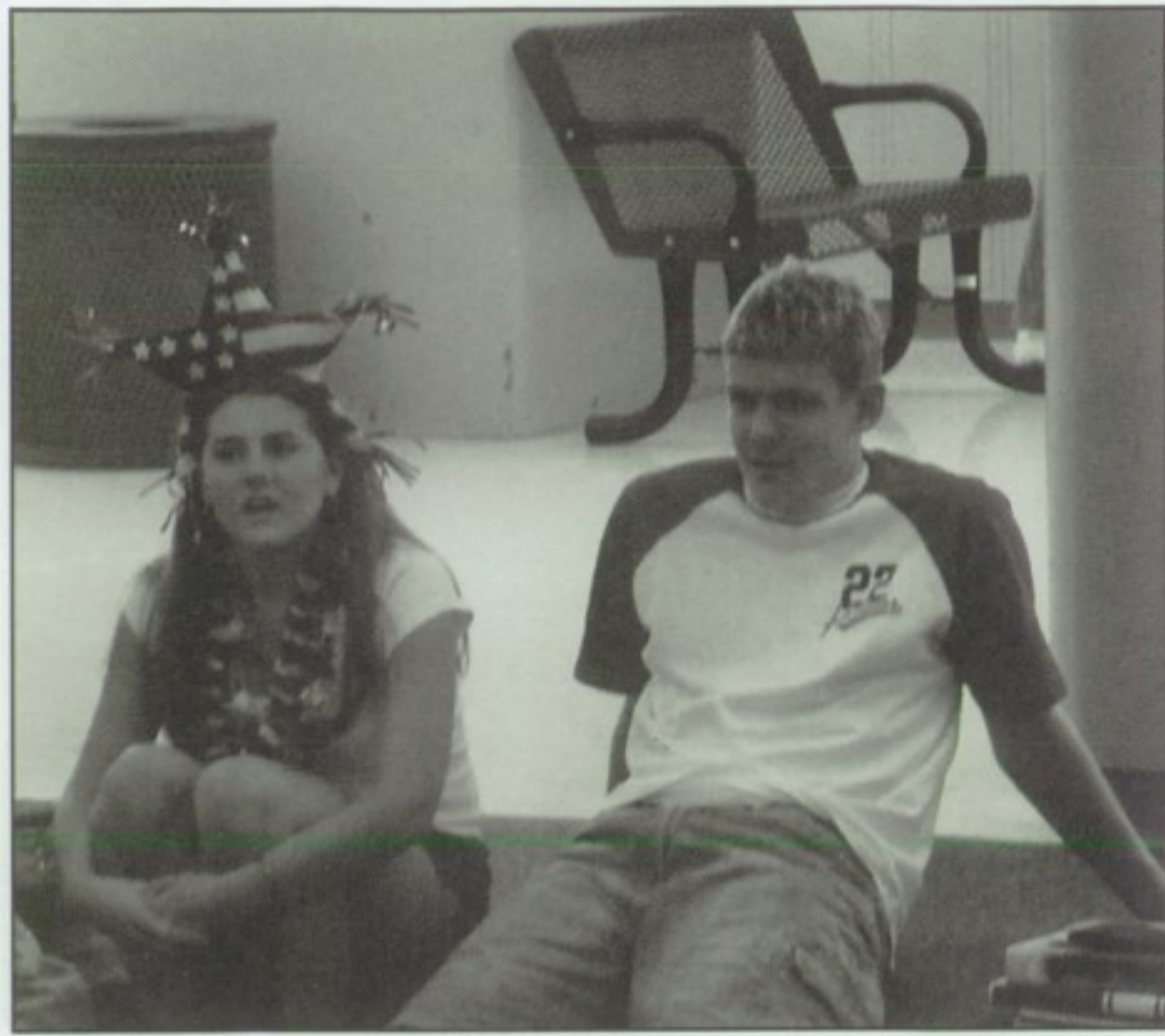
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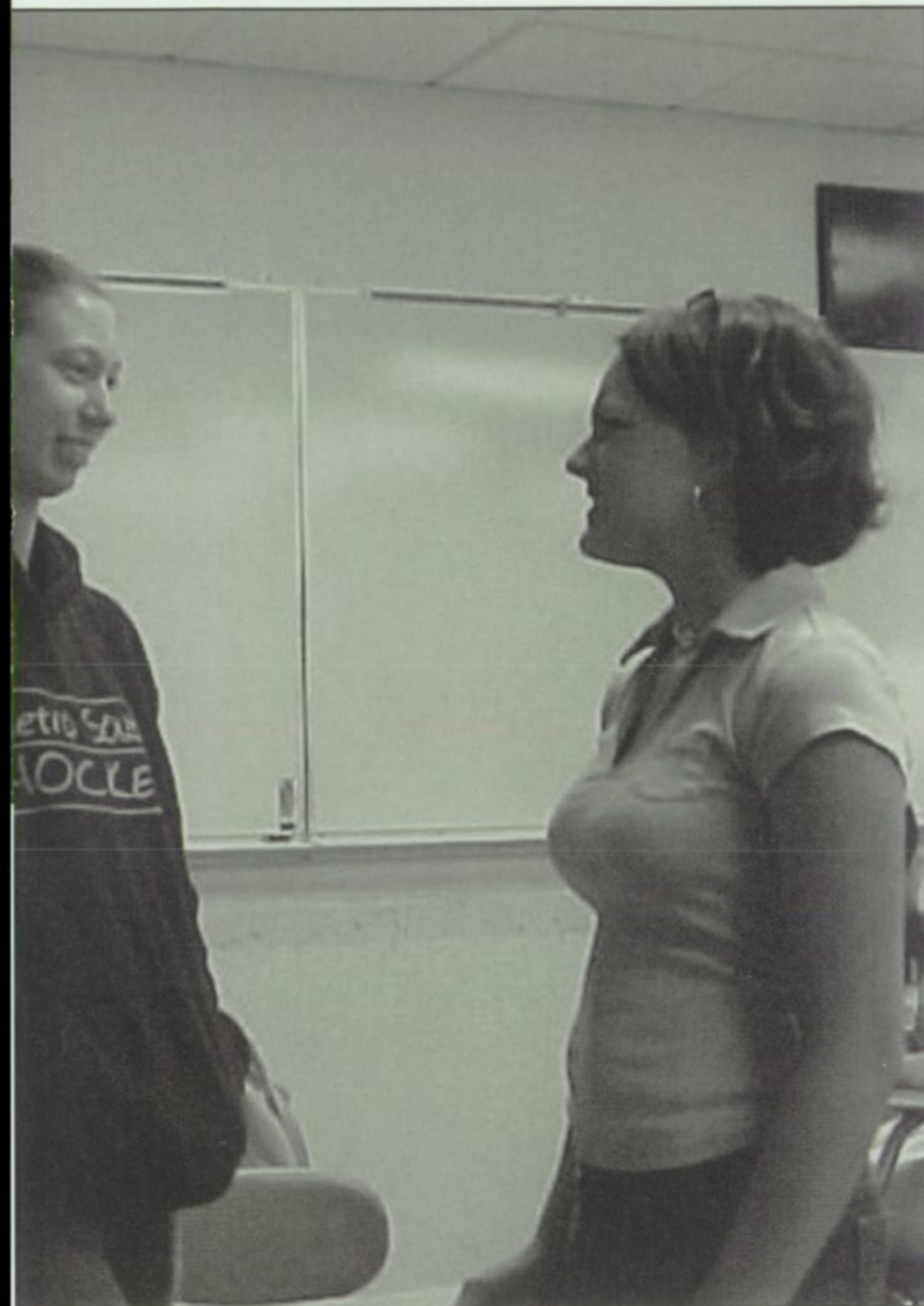
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In the lower commons, juniors **Sara Anson** and **Andrew Mathews** talk with friends before the NHS meeting. Some members helped out friends and other students by becoming their study buddy.

At a National Honor Society meeting, juniors **Crissy McClintick** and **Clair Keene** discuss the topic of their next activity. NHS members volunteered to help around the community.



Joey Anderson



Michael Crum

Seniors **Margaret Clark** and **Lauren Harre** discuss the topic of the point system in NHS. The NHS members had to keep track of points that they recieved for volunteering.

Junior **Melissa Wood** collects soda can tabs in order to gain more points to graduate from NHS. Members had to collect 200 tabs to recieve one point.

NHS

FBLA/DECA

Sophomore Heather Gibbons gives out information about FBLA at one of the stands during the career fair. FBLA promoted their club during the fair for new students to learn about the club and become a member.

Seniors Nicole Santana and Chuck Wess stand at the counter of the Trading Post, setting up for when the students come in during break. The Trading Post was open from first through third hour.



Sara Woolery



Joey Anderson



Hannah Chandler

Juniors Courtney Carnley and Kassie Murch sit with freshman Richard Hedlund at one of the FBLA meetings. FBLA was a club preparing for the future when it came to businesses.

Juniors Myrone Cura and Nick Holkom work together at a computer during a DECA meeting, preparing for state conferences. Several trips were taken throughout the year.

A new year

Several improvements

Today senior Nicole Santana worked the homeroom shift in the Trading Post, the school store. She stood behind the counter, cordially smiled at the customers, and asked what she could help them with.

Almost everyone wanted the Post's popular freshly baked cookies, sold at a dollar a bag. Usually, by the end of homeroom break, Santana was clean out of cookies and muffins.

It was her second year in DECA, one of the school's two business-oriented clubs.

"While DECA was a club, its also took a marketing class and academic subjects," Santana

"It's fun," she said. "You to communicate, you learn busi-ethics, about being a leader."

When she had completed as store manager and co-presi- exited through the Post's back entered the homeroom of DECA

Bart Dennis

It was his 15th year as sponsor, and Dennis said that he believed DECA was a vital part of the members' high school lives. It went beyond being a class.

"I think the strongest part is the hands-on experience in the business world," Dennis said. "Instead of [DECA] being just classwork or booklearning...students enjoy friendships, camaraderie, and meeting kids from conferences across Nebraska."

At conferences, students competed in different categories ranging from mock-marketing new products to math. These conferences were usually held in the spring.

"I see it as training for the business world," junior Courtney Carnley said. "You work at meetings and in a business-like manner. You go to business functions. You learn what to wear, how to act, things like that. It really prepares you for the business world," she said.

"[The clubs are] similar but separate," Dennis said. "Hopefully it was a good learning experience that provides expertise in the business/marketing world."

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What's your funniest moment?

"I didn't know we had to dress nice, and I had a khaki skirt with a shirt on. Everybody else wore black." Emily Wickman 10

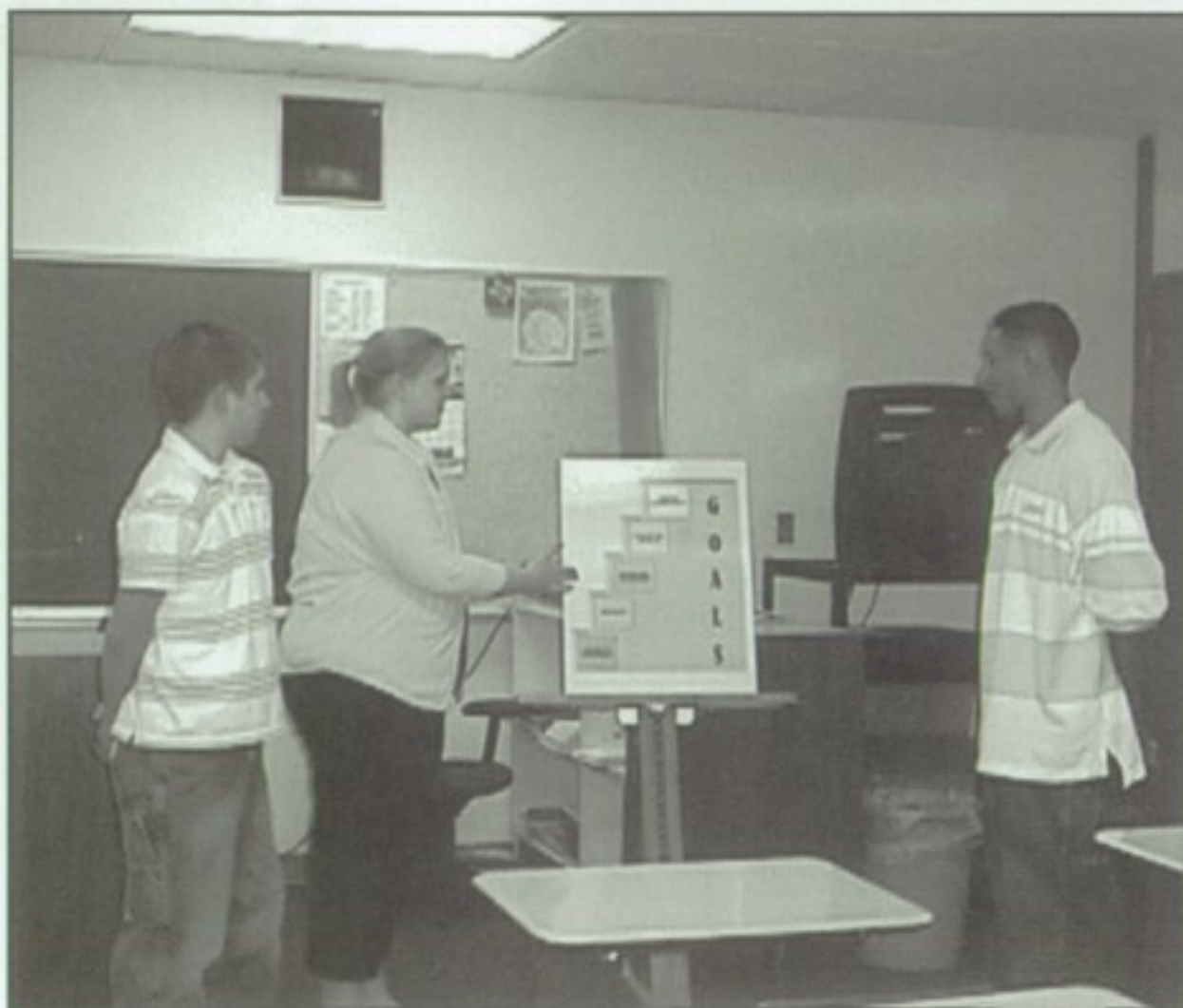


"At an Installation Banquet, Cassie was talking and her microphone went out." Courtney Carnley 11



Voice Your Choice

Chris Stewart
Staff Writer



DECA members seniors TJ Wilson, Allie Jorgeson, and Chuck Wess practice their presentation for state. The group competed in the category "Learn and Earn."

During the Fall State Leadership Conference, seniors Charles Smith, TJ Wilson and Chuck Wess perform a dance. DECA competed in three conferences.

What do you like best about FCA?

"It gets together a lot of people who are striving for the same goal."

Catherine Crider, 10



"I like being able to talk to a lot of people that want to do the same thing as me, and Mrs. Whitworth is an inspiration."

Amanda Andrews, 12

"You get to hear other teachers talk and their experiences."

Amanda Moerles, 10



Voice Your Choice

Looking up for answers

FCA members get closer to God

Reaching out to other students, helping them with their spiritual needs was what FCA was all about. Fellowship Of Christian Athletes was a club held on Monday nights, and their whole focus was helping students get to know God. FCA was a school sponsored club, but since it was student led they were allowed to talk about subjects that would not usually be discussed in school.

Junior **Jenny Palmer** can come and there is no group."

At a normal meeting, ice-breaking activity, like giving their name or answer would then play a game, smaller groups to discuss small groups were help- depth. Members were able to discuss topics on a more personal level.

Sophomore **Amanda Moerles** said she liked the small groups because she liked to get close to the members and meet people that believed the same things. "It's a great opportunity for you to start learning about God," Moerles said. "There's so many people there that can help you get in to it."

Sophomore **Ashley DuPree** said that being in FCA helped her learn about other people and their religions.

"It made me look at the different types of religions differently by being able to listen to other people's views," DuPree said.

Palmer said that the group had also gotten her more involved with school because of the variety of people.

"I like to meet other people that believe the same things and that can support you," Palmer said.

DuPree recommended that other people join FCA.

DuPree said, "FCA is a lot of fun, and you can still learn about God while having fun."

"I like to meet people that believe the same things and can support you."

said, "I like the fact that anyone pressure to be part of the

members would first have an going around the circle and telling a funny question. The group do worship, and break into the topic for that night. The ful because they were more in-

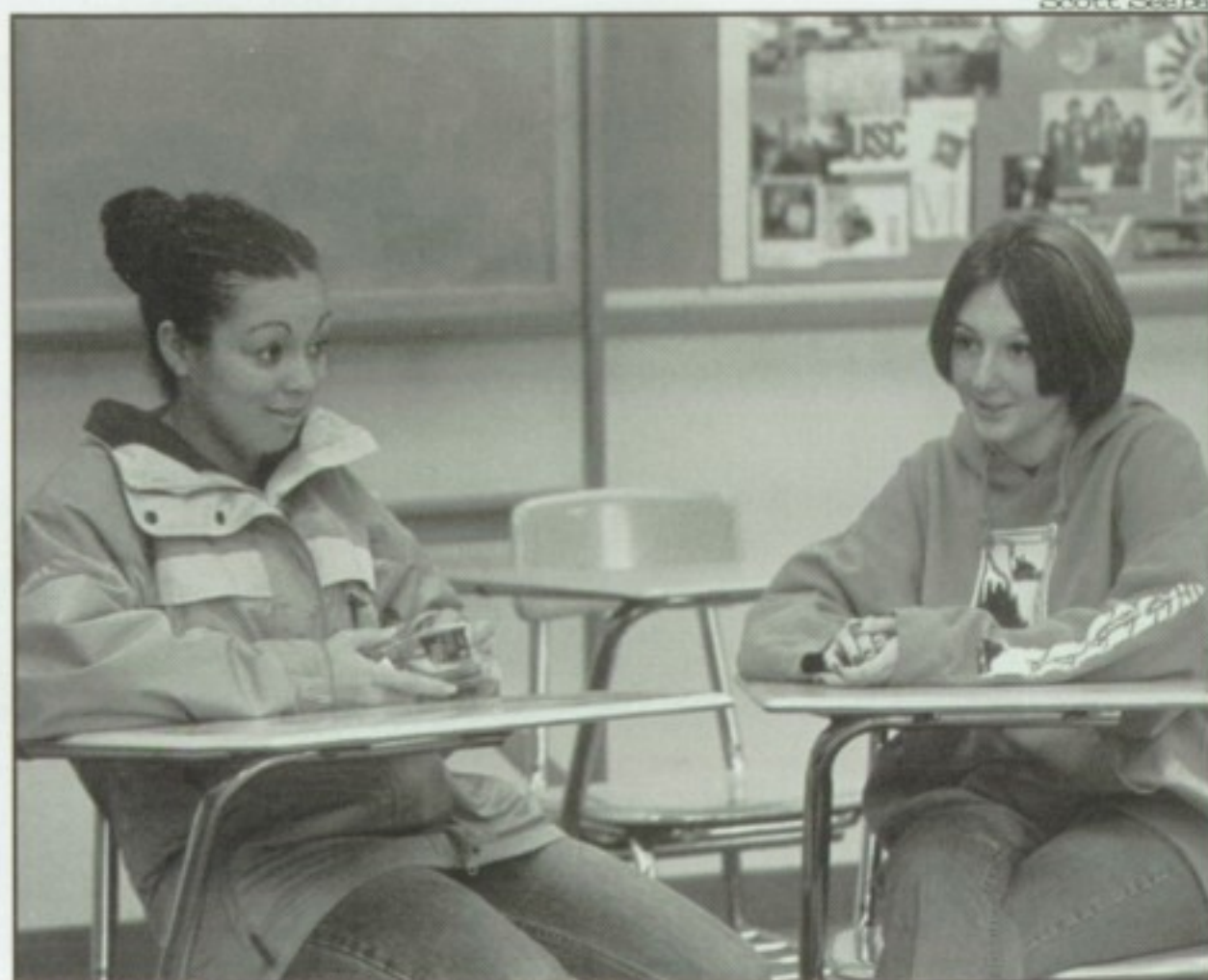
Jenny McCracken
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FCA members juniors **Abby Nye**, **Richard Nakai**, and seniors **John Kumor** and **Micaela Walters** help put on bracelets they made during the meeting. The bracelets consisted of five different colored beads, and each bead represented something different.

Seniors **Jessie Jenkins** and **Brenna Dacey** add their input on a future FTA activity. Both Jenkins and Dacey were active members in F.T.A. and participated in almost every activity.



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FCA/FTA

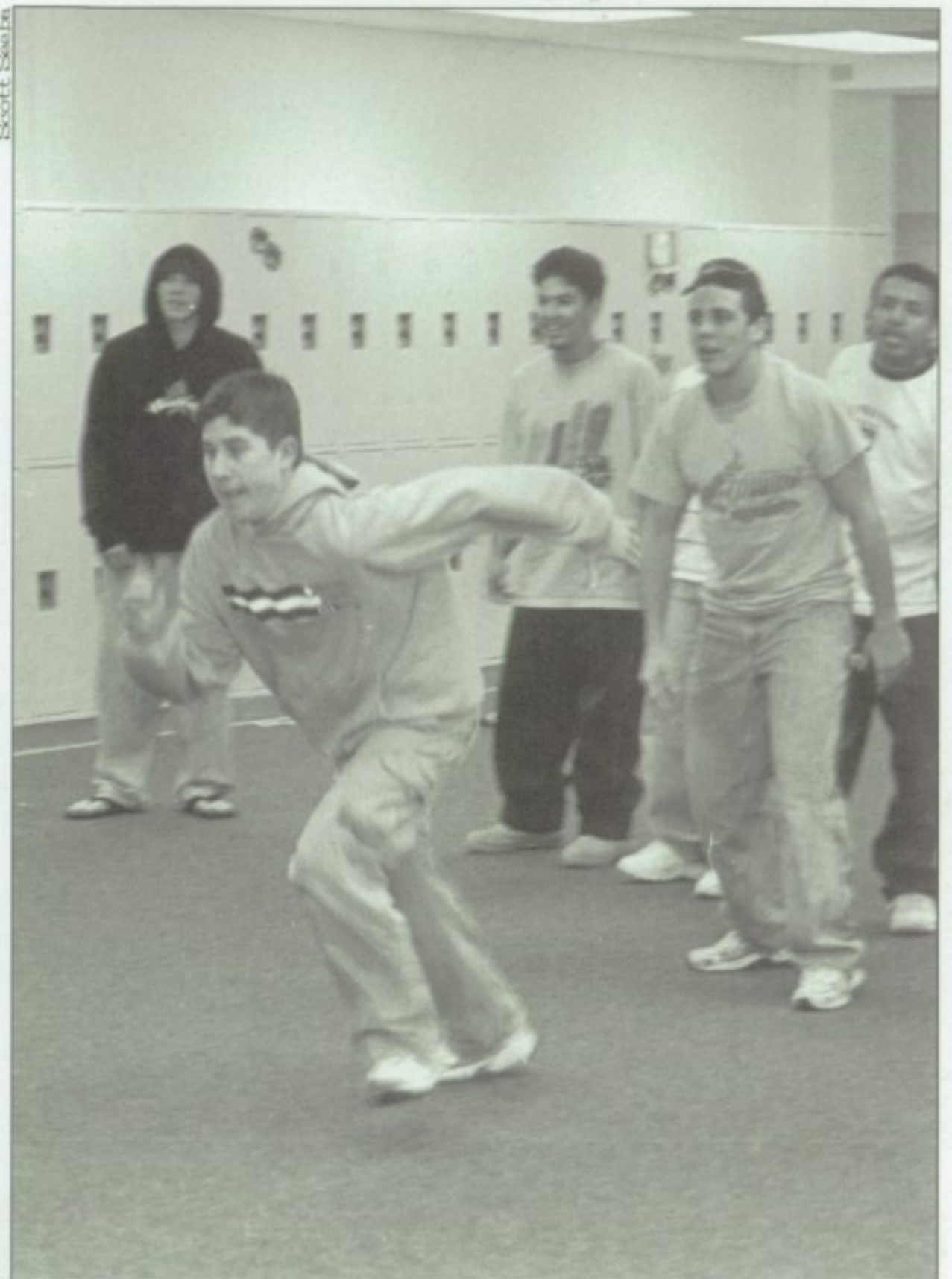


Scott Seabro

FTA president senior **Cara Phelps** talks to members of FTA about upcoming events. FTA meetings were held every Monday after school in sponsor **Debbie Whitworth's** room.

In the upper commons area, senior **TJ Wilson** plays a game at an FCA meeting. Junior **Richard Nakai**, senior **Matt Byous**, and junior **Nick Holcomb** watched and cheered **Wilson** and their team on.

Scott Seabro



Scott Seabro



Scott Seabro

During an FCA meeting, sophomore **Cami Hoogeveen** plays a game. At meetings members would always play a game before the meetings would start to get people active and excited.

Senior **Micaela Walters**, sophomore **Catherine Crider**, and freshman **Becky Huff** listen to a speaker at an FTA meeting. FTA speakers discussed future plans, where to try to attend college, and tips of the trade.

What made you join Teenagers for Human Equality?

"THE FACT THAT YOU CAN HELP OTHERS LEARN ABOUT DISCRIMINATION." **AMY FRANCIOS, 11**



"ITS PURPOSES CENTERED AROUND THE EQUALITY OF STUDENTS, NO MATTER WHAT MAKES THEM DIFFERENT."

BONNIE JOHNSON-STRAW, 11



"MY MOM IS THE SPONSOR. I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A REALLY GOOD IDEA TO PROMOTE HUMAN EQUALITY."

SCOTT SEEBA, 10



Voice Your Choice

At a morning meeting, sophomore **Zach Heenan** and freshmen **Caleb Wampler** and **Zach Johnsen** talk before the Youth Alive meeting starts. Youth Alive's goal was to bring students closer to God.

Spreading the word Human equality and religion

Whether it was making fun of people because they were different or if it was making fun of their religion, T.H.E. and Youth Alive talked about it all.

The idea of T.H.E. (Teenagers for Human Equality) was thought up by junior **Beth Lang**. She said she was just tired of hearing people yell out hurtful words in the hallways. "I don't think it was right that people were just shouting out 'gay' those people heard. It's

Some students been in a situation against. Others just friends had. Junior cause some of my place to talk about each

There were about at the meetings, such as race, religion, and sexual preference. "I like the fact that we can just bring up subjects and everyone gives their opinion on that," sophomore **Chris Amoury** said.

T.H.E. meetings were held on Wednesdays after school. To spread the word of T.H.E., the students told anyone that they could put up posters, and put the club in the announcements. They also did a fundraiser, 'The No Food Food Drive.' In this, the students themselves donated nonfood items and asked others to donate as well.

Some students were in both T.H.E. and Youth Alive, which was a club focused mainly on religion. One of those students was junior **Bonnie Johnson-Strawn**. Strawn said, "I think it an awesome way to spread the way you feel, just through a club. I feel that in a way, it strengthens my faith."

Youth Alive was held on Tuesdays before school. Students would bring up different subjects about religion.

Some students felt that it was just a way to spread the 'good word.' **Champion** said, "I think this is a great opportunity to be able to spread the message of kindness."

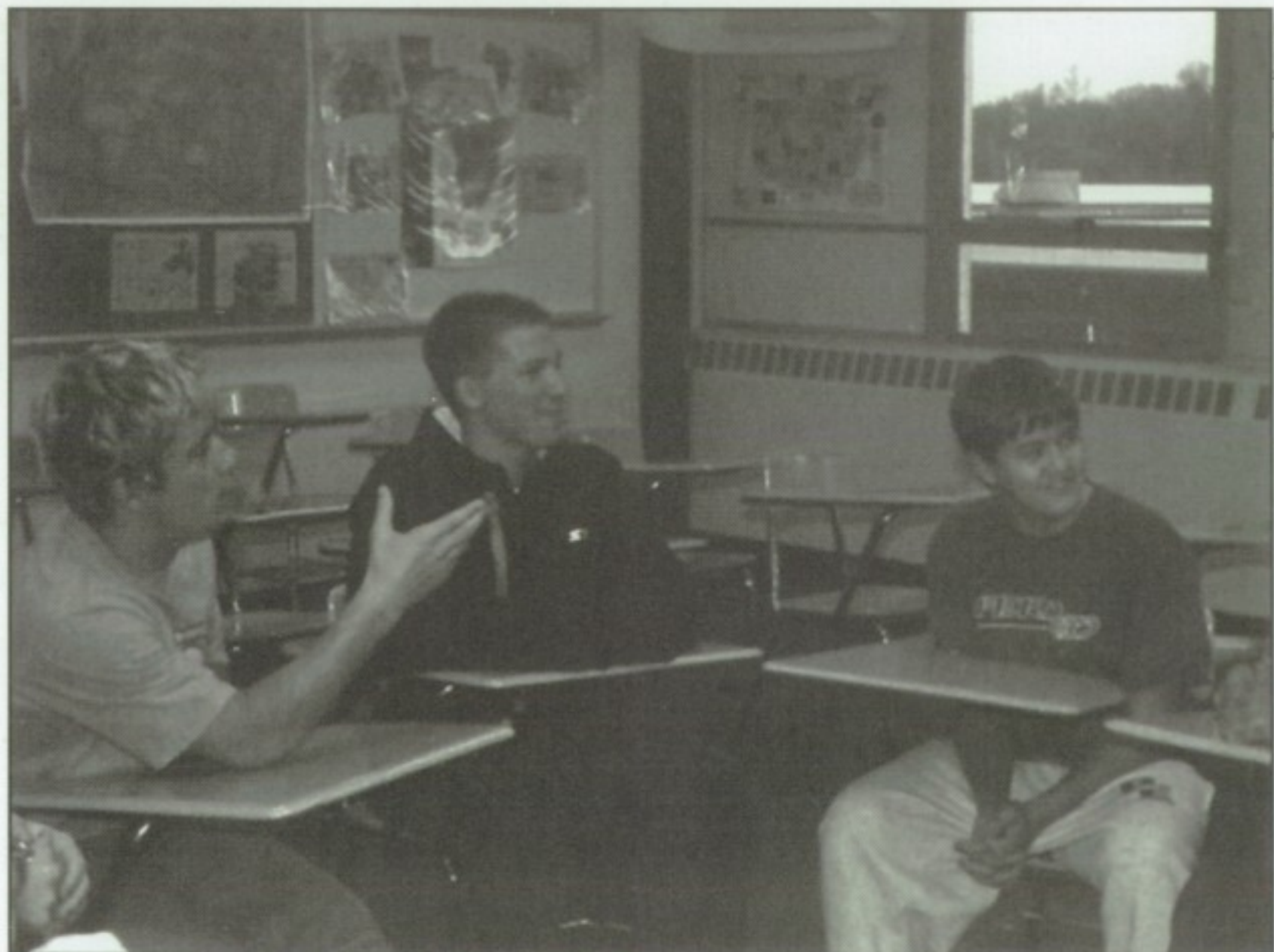
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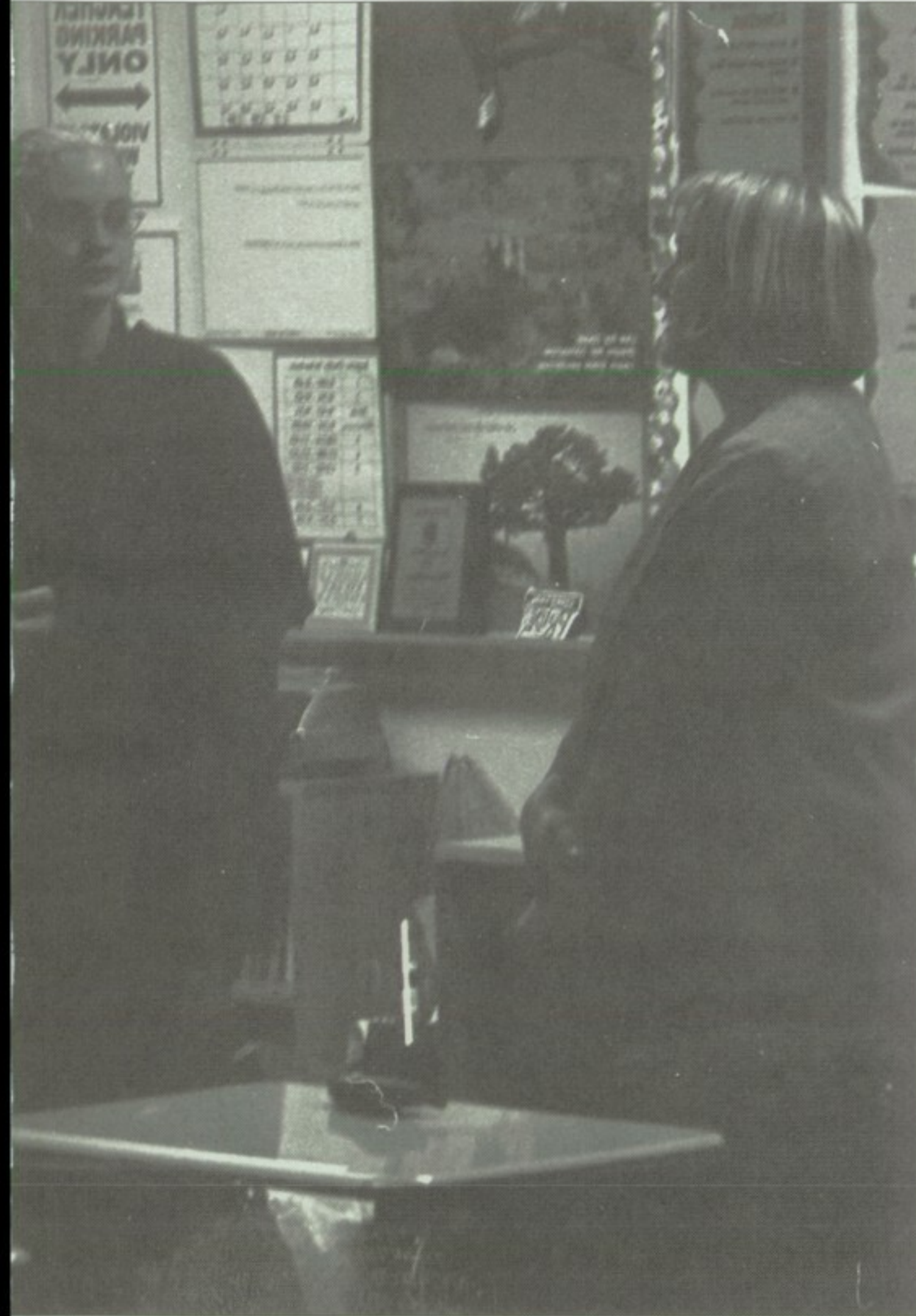
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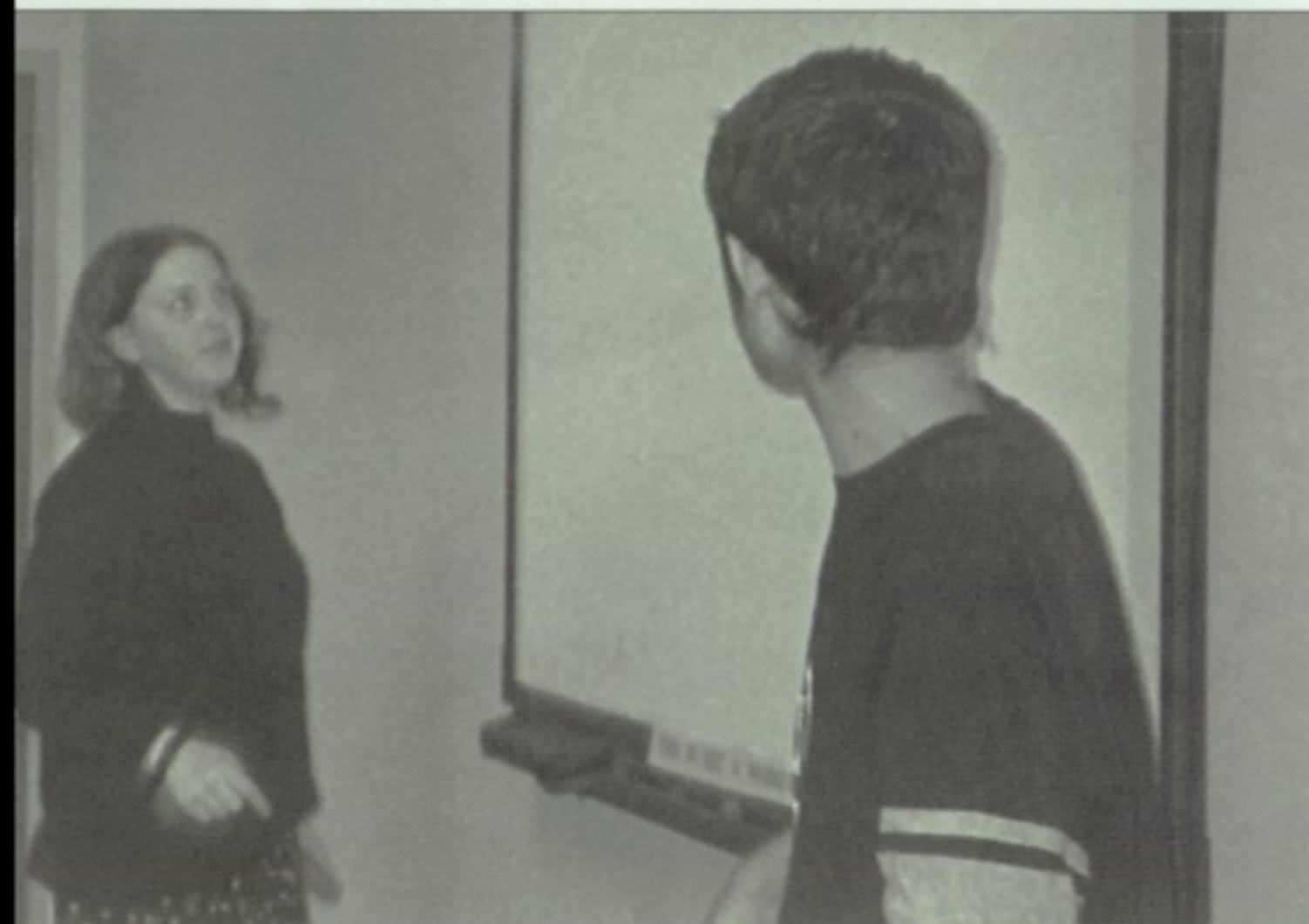


Burgundy Ohio

Junior Beth Lang and T.H.E. club's sponsor Cindy Seeba talk after a meeting. It was the first year of T.H.E. Meetings were held on Wednesdays after school.

At a Youth Alive meeting junior Bonnie Johnson-Strawn and senior Nina Cullum listen to the speaker. Youth Alive was held on Thursdays before school.

Burgundy Ohio



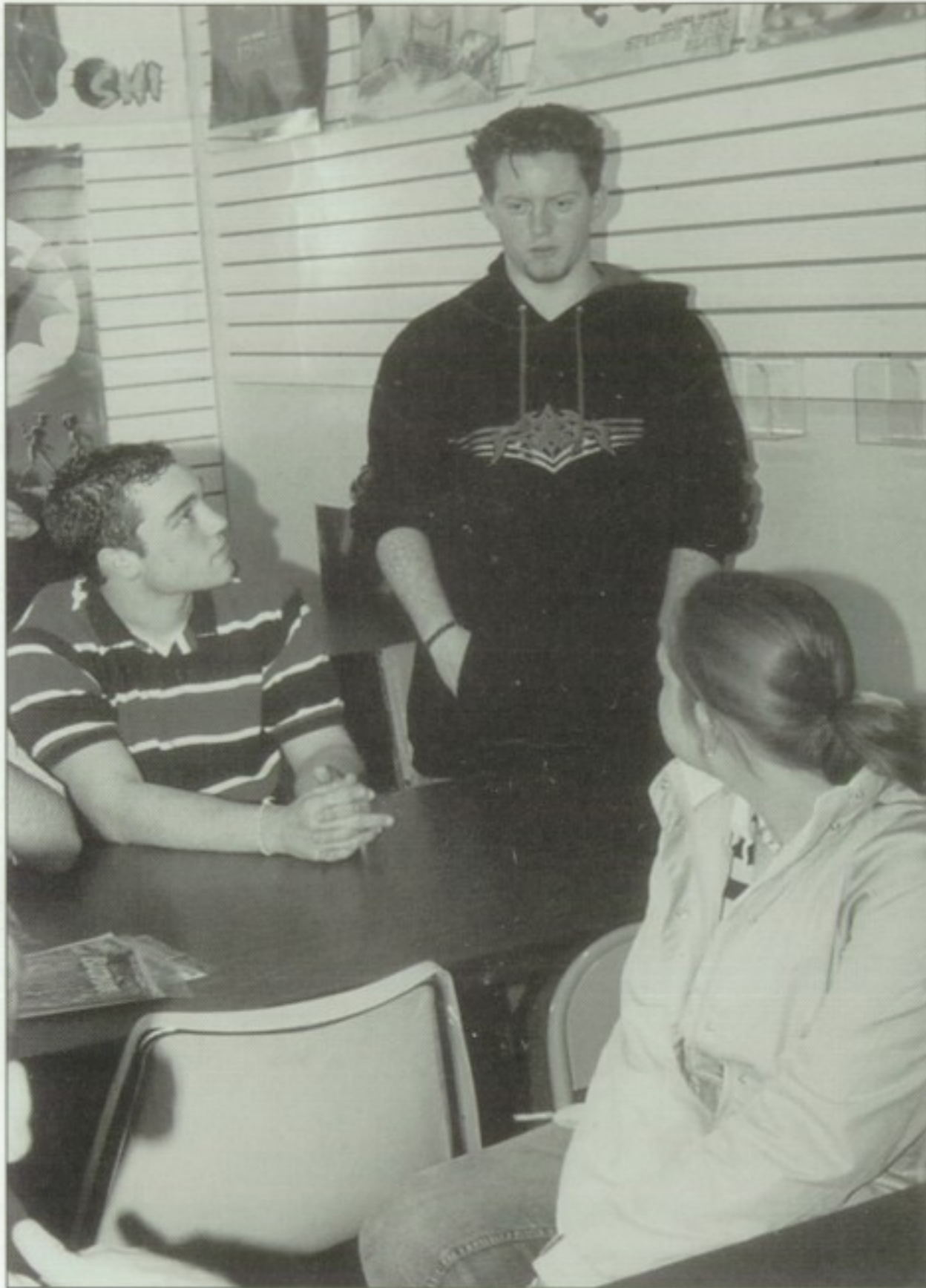
Burgundy Ohio

Talking at a T.H.E. meeting, juniors Molly Driscoll and Ryan Alai explain information off the smart board. T.H.E club gave teens a chance to express their feelings about human equality.

Comic Book Club

Junior Nick Yankosky stands before junior Zack Winkler, senior Tiffany Parnell, and the other Comic Book Club members, talking about his favorite comics. This was Bellevue East's first Comic Book Club.

At Ground Zero Comics, senior Joe White discusses the topic of his own comics. Each person had a chance to share with the group about the different comics each person collected.



Nikole Slotter



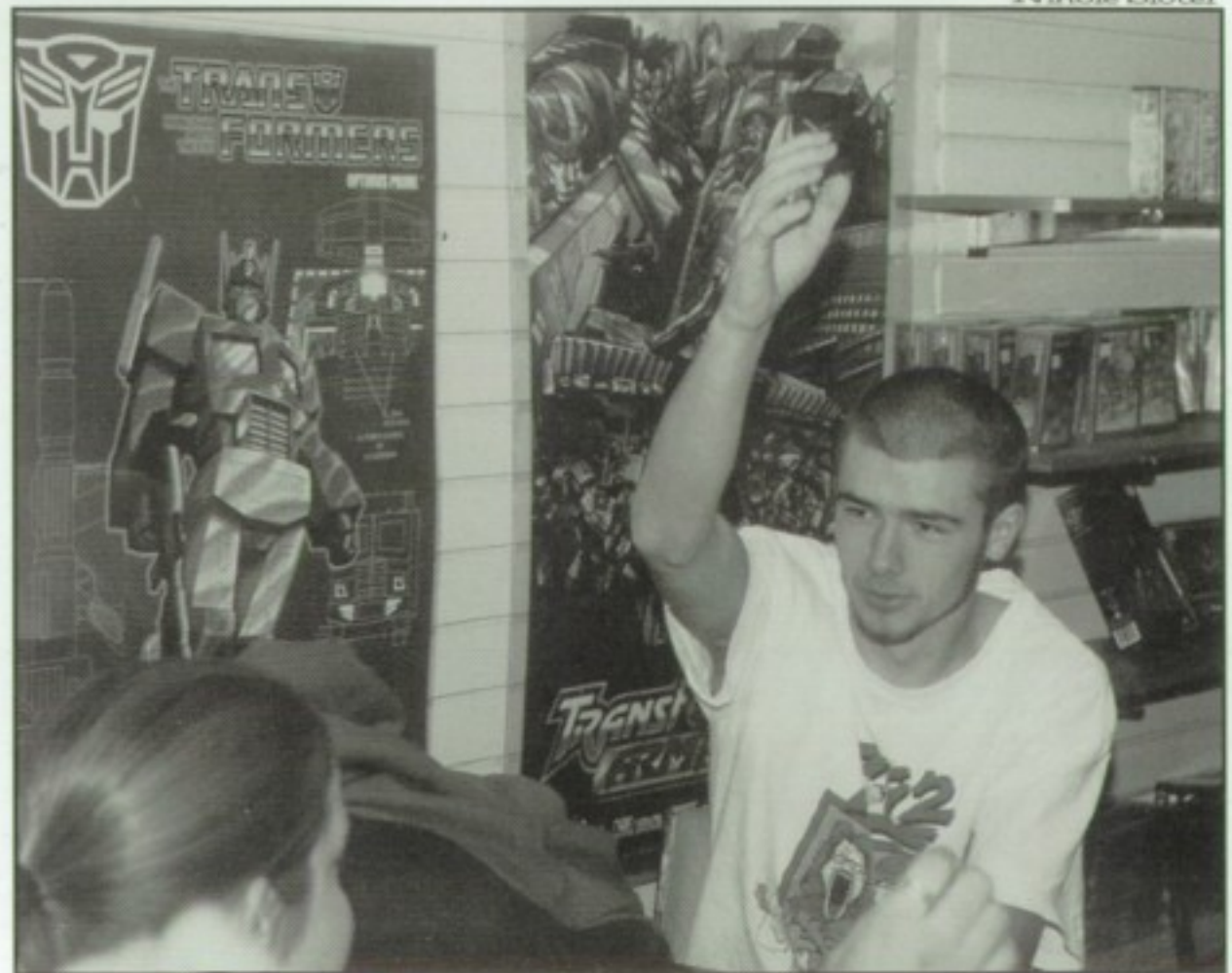
Nikole Slotter



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Bellevue East's Comic Book Club members gather around the tables after school for one of the discussions held on Wednesdays. Comic Book Club was held at least once every month.

Senior Bryce Anderson raises his hand in order to speak his mind about one of the comics at a meeting. Each person was interested in different comics such as Spiderman or Spawn.



A new club comes to East

Heroes and villains are the topic

From Superman to The Incredible Hulk, students took a greater interest in comic books when the Comic Book Club was introduced.

Senior **Bryce Anderson** said, "It started with a passion and we turned passion into a reality."

Students at East had been reading comics for quite some time but never took it to the next level. When the idea of a comic book club was brought up to teacher **John Campbell**, he was thrilled to be the sponsor of something he enjoyed so much.

"I like getting to know students here at East," Campbell said, "and comics with a unique group of kids is even better."

The students met every day at the local comic book store Zero. They did what they liked most, reading comics.

Junior **Zack Winkler** said, "The best thing about it is getting together weekly with the 'guys' and talking about what we like and know best."

Being in Comic Book Club wasn't like just any other club. They didn't have the normal conversations about everyday school stuff; they talked about comics.

"It was unique because it isn't an average club talking about academics, sports, or language," senior **Jason Straub** said. "It's just comics."

Senior **Joe White** said, "In general it's to appreciate comics and the art and literature put together by people."

Whether the students just read comics or talked about them, they enjoyed themselves, which made Comic Book Club amazing.

For those in Comic Book Club, this was something great they hoped would continue in following years.

"I think Comic Book Club will continue with the arrival of new films having to do with awesome comics, making our club swell and become a dominant force," Campbell said.

"Whenever there's comics, there will be people who like them," senior **Marshall Warren** said.

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What's your funniest moment?

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JOE WHITE
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"OUR TIME DISCUSSING COMICS TOGETHER."

ZACK WINKLER
11



Voice Your Choice

Nikole Sloter
Student life coordinator

TOP 5 FAVORITE COMICS

BATMAN

SPAWN

SPIDERMAN

DAREDEVIL

X-MEN

Club sponsor **John Campbell** shows one of his many comics to the rest of the club members. There were many characters students could discuss and relate to, like Batman.

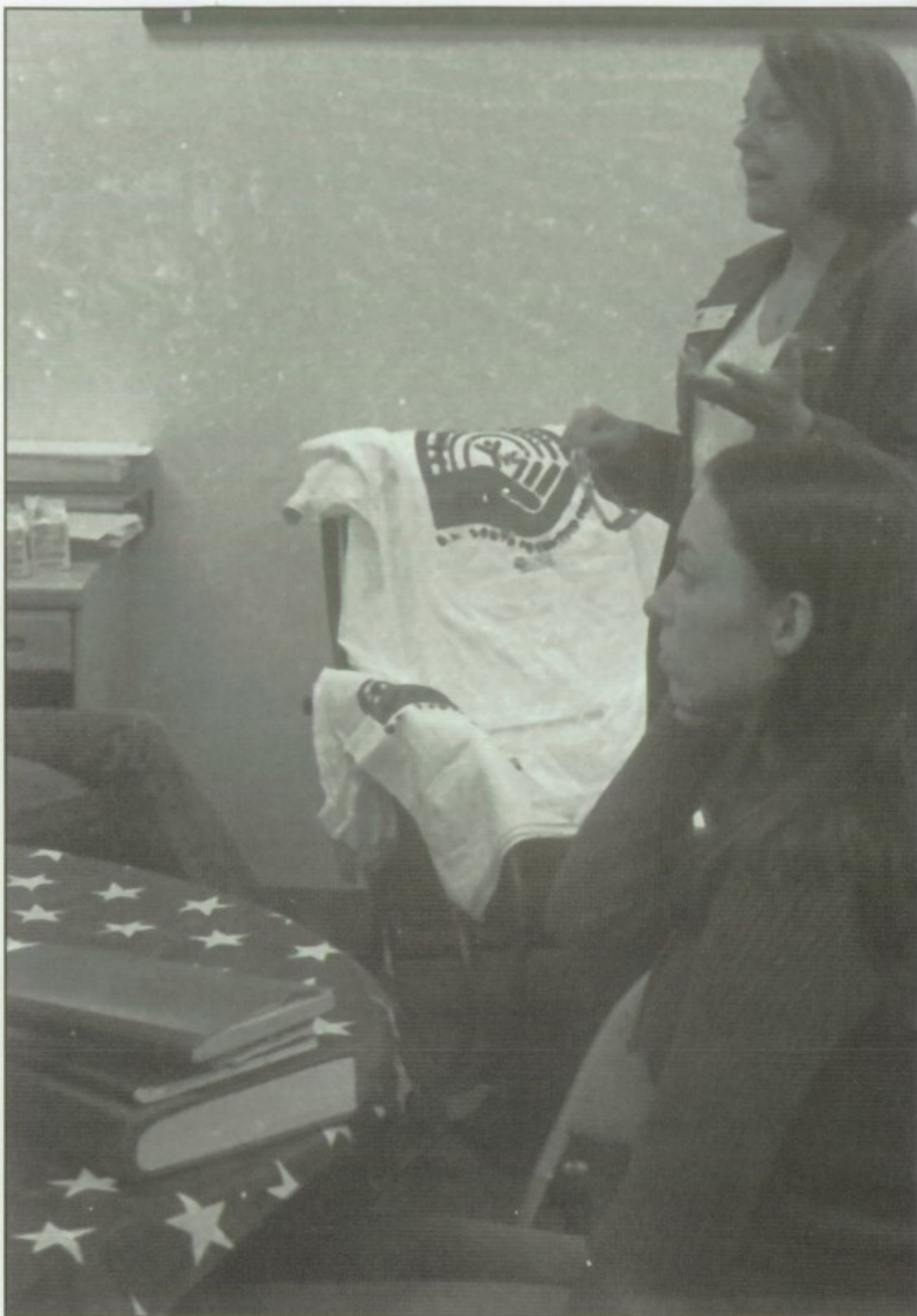
Red Cross/United Way

While listening to the club sponsor, sophomore **Jordan Huey** learns about the "Pennies for Patients" program. Homerooms competed to see who could raise the most money for people with leukemia.

During a Red Cross/United Way meeting, sponsor **Sharon Seim** hands out shirts, while junior **Jenny Palmer** listens to instructions. The club was sponsored by and available to anyone in the Gifted program.



Nicole Slotter



Nicole Slotter

Senior **Paul Svensson** passes out papers to seniors **Shane Wampler** and **Kari Hobson** and junior **Jenny Palmer**. Red Cross/United Way members joined because they were willing to help those in need.

Sporting her new shirt, senior **Sheri Gifford** talks to another member before the meeting starts. Meetings were held during homeroom and lasted about twenty minutes.



Nicole Slotter

Lending a helping hand

Students join together to help the community

Nicole Stokar

For some students, making a difference outside of the Bellevue East community was a part of life.

The Red Cross/United Way was an organization based out of Bellevue East with a goal to make Bellevue a better place. The club did activities that either raised attention to a problem at hand or helped out a charitable cause.

Red Cross president **Paul Svensson** said that the club had really opened his eyes to what's going on around him.

"I've learned the importance of helping out in the community," Svensson said, "and my involvement has helped me see beyond ten feet in front of my face."

Svensson said that he hoped the club inspired those who were members of it.

"[The club is] basically supposed to represent Bellevue East to volunteer in the community and show the importance of volunteering in the community," Svensson said.

Every year the club had successfully been able to raise money for a charity. One of the year's main charity campaigns was known as "Pennies for Patients." Members went around collecting spare change with hopes to aid people suffering from leukemia.

United Way President senior **Joe Laski** said that projects like Pennies for Patients left him with a good feeling about what he did.

Laski said, "It allows me to use leadership and volunteering to motivate others to do good things. It really gives me a sense of satisfaction for helping out others."

Sponsor **Sharon Seim** said that the organization was good for members in the long run.

Seim said, "It's a great chance for people to help out in the community. It also gives them a chance to build up a college resume while also giving something back to humankind."

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"It allows me to use leadership and volunteering to motivate others."

What's your favorite part of Red Cross?

"It's a way to better the community."
Shane Wampler, 12



"It offers another avenue to help out people in the community."
Paul Svensson, 12

"It allows me to help other people and interact with the beneficiaries of my work."
Joe Laski, 12



Voice Your Choice

Nick Gregoire
Staff Writer



Nicole Stokar



Nicole Stokar

Senior **Raquel Landon** talks to Red Cross/United Way sponsor **Sharon Seim** after one of their meetings. The club participated in many community volunteer activities.

At a Red Cross/United Way meeting, junior **Jenny Palmer** looks at her new shirt. Club members received their shirts during one of the April meetings.

What do you like best about Key Club?

"THE ACTIVITIES WE DO. IT FEELS GOOD TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY."
CATHY ENOVISO, 11



"WORKING WITH THE STUDENTS IN A SETTING OUTSIDE OF CLASSES AND SEEING THE BENEFITS IT GIVES THE STUDENTS."
KELLY SAIN, SPONSOR

"BEING INVOLVED AND HELPING IN THE COMMUNITY."
MICAELA WALTERS, 12



Voice Your Choice

Community involvement starts at East

SADD and Key Club members enjoy giving back

Community service is not always something you do when you are being punished. Community service can be fun and interesting.

Involvement in the community, school, and each other's lives were some of the many reasons why students joined Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) and Key Club.

Senior **Jennifer Kurtz** and Key Club. She was member of Key Club.

"I joined SADD because not to drink and drive and Kurtz said that she had SADD since middle school. "I was in S. Troop," involved in high school so Club."

Junior **Clair Keene** was in it. Keene had been in Key Club and SADD for three years.

"I enjoy being in SADD, and my sister was involved, so I decided to join," Keene said.

Keene had been volunteering for a long time and was the president of SADD and secretary of Key Club.

Keene said, "I enjoy volunteering and being involved."

Senior **Jennifer Cox** was the SADD treasurer and had been in SADD for three years. She joined SADD for one major reason.

"I know all the stupid mistakes people make," Cox said, "and I don't want to make them."

In both SADD and Key Club, members shared many memorable moments.

Kurtz said, "I was at school for a long time because I decorated, and then I had to clean up afterwards."

Being in the clubs helped Kurtz and other members become more involved in the community.

Kurtz said, "I am now more aware of my community and how I can help out more."

"I know all the stupid mistakes people make, and I don't want to make them."

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I wanted my fellow students [not] to do drugs," Kurtz said. been involved in programs like school.

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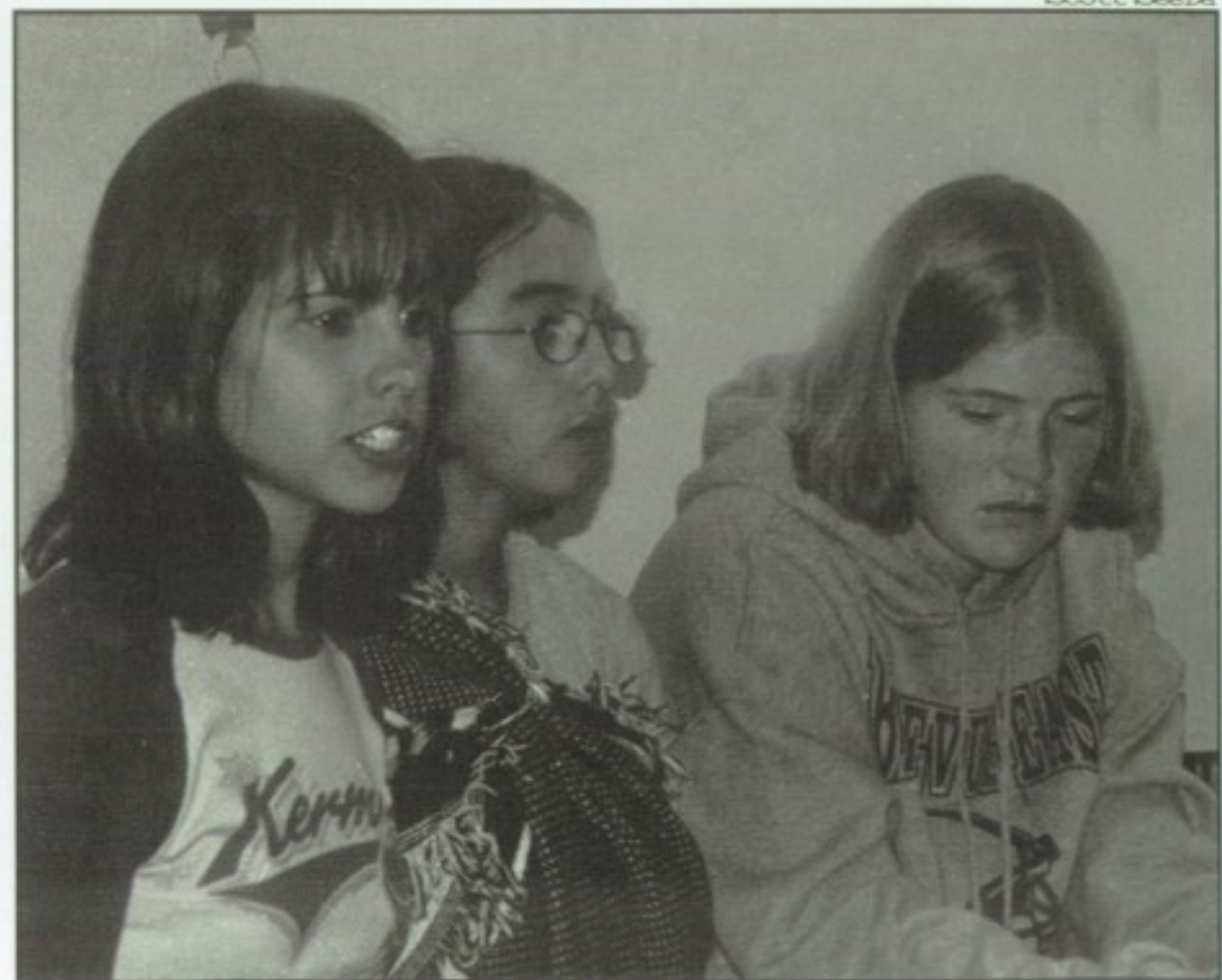
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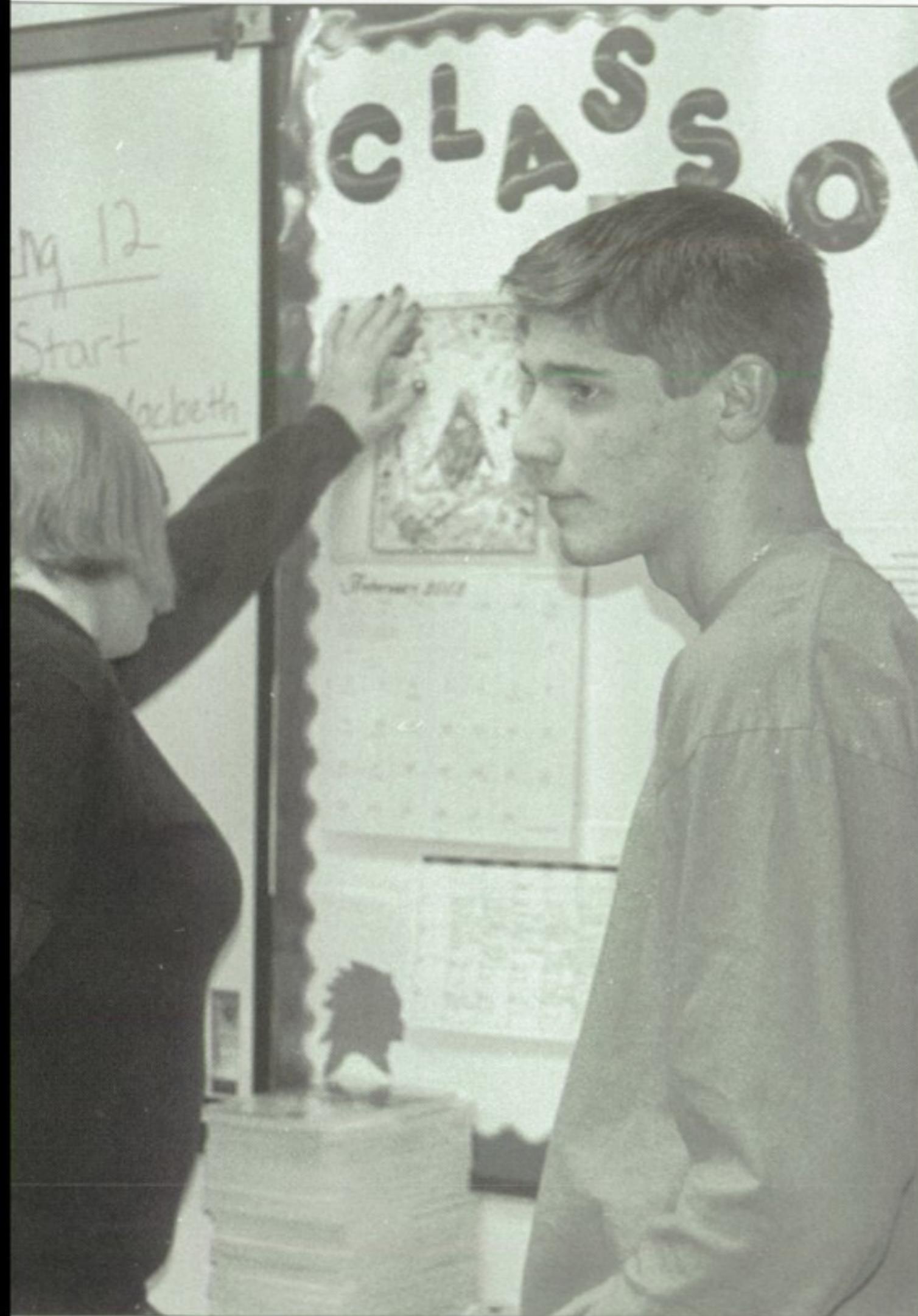
Freshman **Maggie Herrman** pays attention as SADD members are told about upcoming events for the month. It was Herrman's first year in SADD.

During a SADD meeting, junior **Clair Keene**, senior **Rachel Crider**, and junior **Jessica Classen** discuss the Tree of Life. The Tree of Life was one of their many service projects.



Scott Seeba

SADD/Key Club



Sara Woolery

Senior Daniel Henery and sophomore Jessica Classen check the calendar for the activities they are doing that month. Calendars were made so that the members could be prepared.

At a SADD meeting senior Jennifer Kurtz waits for other members to arrive. The meetings were held after school at 3:15 on various days and usually lasted about a half an hour.

Sara Woolery



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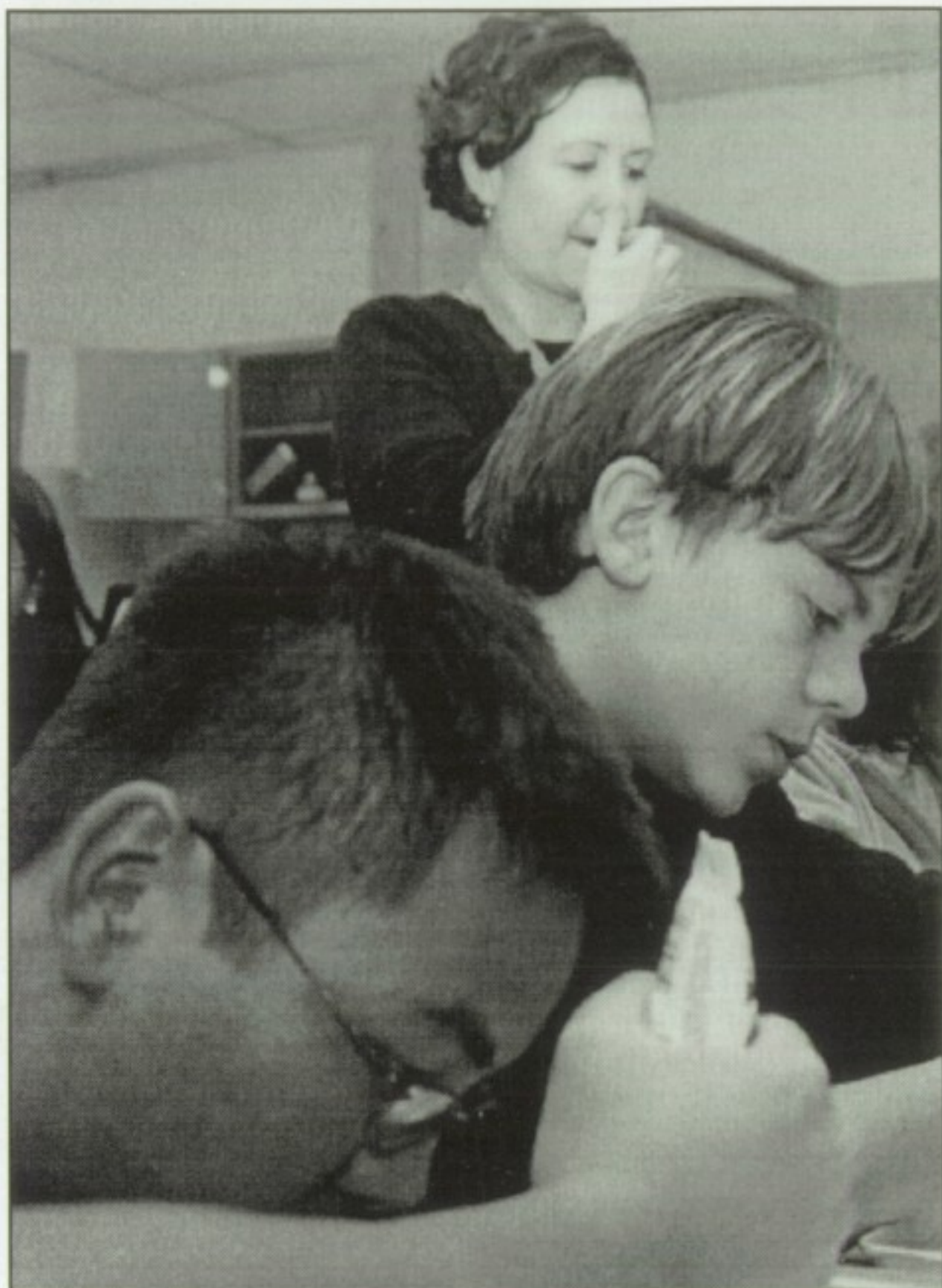
During a Key Club meeting, freshman Andrea Michel, sophomore Brandon Copeland, and senior Ludmila Pak listen to announcements. Key Club led school sponsored service events.

Seniors Erin Hermann, Maria Weaver, and Vanessa Tiell discuss upcoming events at a Key Club meeting. Hermann, Weaver, and Tiell were all officers of Key Club.

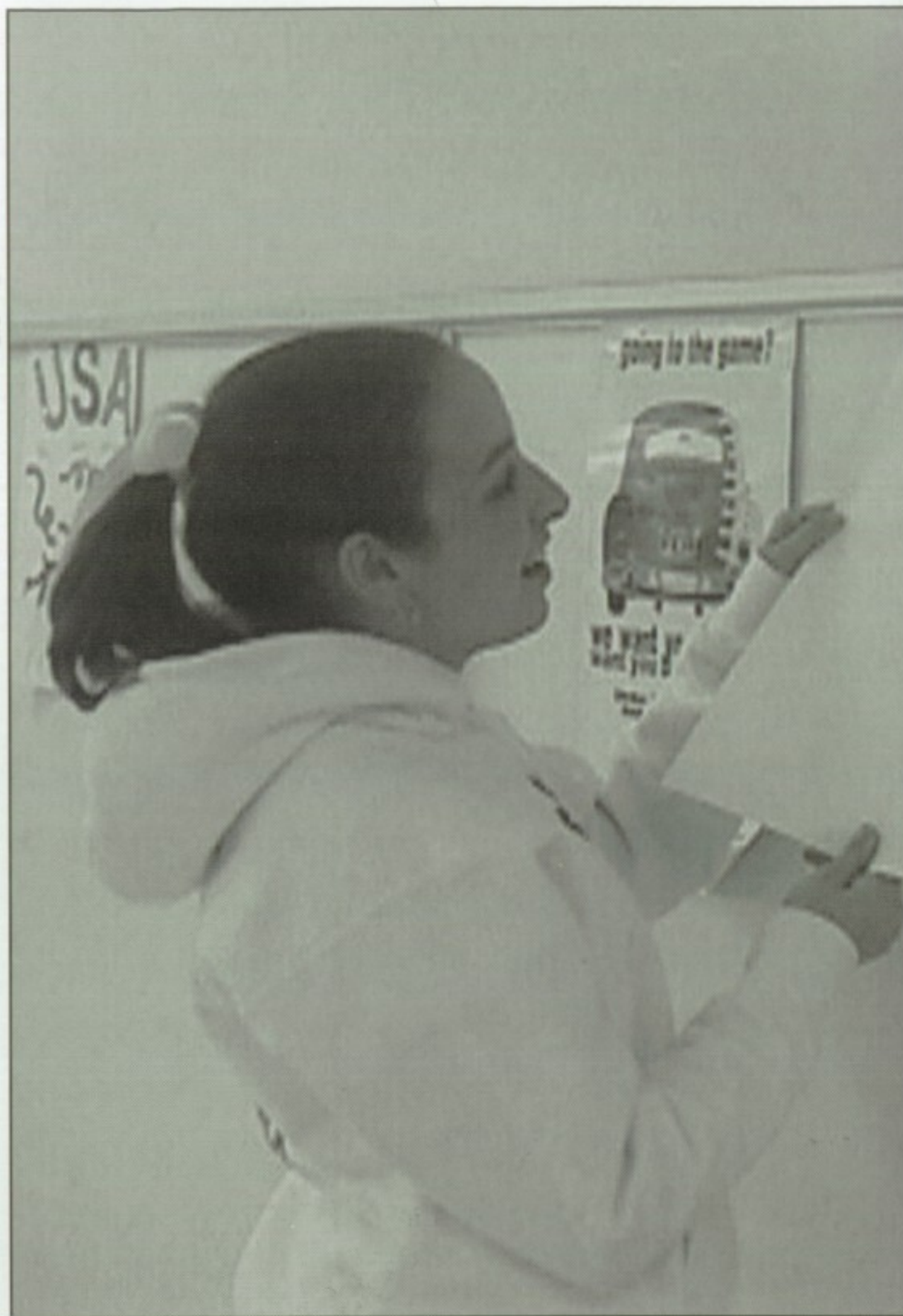
Spanish/Latin

Sophomores Jordan Huey and AJ Anton decorate the cookies baked by all the Spanish Club members. All of the students agreed they had a good time baking, but eating the cookies was the best part.

Latin Club member Kristel Eyrich posts a sign about Latin Club in the freshman commons. Latin Club did many activities such as a state convention, where Latin students competed from different schools.



Sara Woolery



Brittany Estep

During a Spanish Club activity, juniors Lisa Hilburge and Melanie Arnold help bake cookies for the teachers as a present for the holidays. Spanish Club members did many activities celebrating Christmas.

Spanish Club President sophomore Tara Billings and sponsor Shari Covi bake up a storm in the foods room after school. Cooking and making snacks were only two of the many activities held.



Brittany Estep

Spanish & Latin clubs stretch their dollars

New activities planned

Even without much money, both the Spanish and Latin clubs still found ways to do activities.

Since the new fees and fines policy was issued, Spanish Club had to find new ways to get money since there were about 50 members.

"We had money left over from last year, and everyone pitched in some money to help pay for activities," Spanish Club sponsor **Shari Covi** said.

Many of the Spanish Club members were also in Spanish class.

"I joined because I heard good things about it and because Spanish is my native language," Spanish Club Vice-President freshman **Rogelio** said.

Throughout the year, Spanish Club did many activities.

"We had Taco Tuesday, went to El Aguila, *Zorro* and *The Grinch*, had a *The Dia De Los Muertos* party, went to El Museo, and went bowling," Covi said.

Sometimes sponsors were pushed, yet others wanted to be the sponsor.

"I think the reason was because I wanted to be more involved academically and with the students," Covi said.

Latin Club sponsor and teacher **Brad Nord** had a different perspective.

"It just came as an instinct that the Latin teacher would be the sponsor. Another reason is when I was in high school, we had a really good Latin Club and I wanted to be a part of it," Nord said.

As with most clubs, there were a significant number of people who joined.

"In the beginning of the school year, every student who was in Latin was in Latin Club," Nord said. "[In the end] I think there were only 30 people that participated."

The activities that Latin Club did were movie nights, a Latin Quiz Bowl, and a state convention where Latin clubs from across the state got together and had different competitions.

Most of the students in both clubs had views on what they liked best.

"I like that you can be in a club class and still have fun," sophomore **Melissa Dooley** said.

"I LIKE THAT YOU CAN BE IN A CLUB CLASS AND STILL HAVE FUN."

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pushed, yet

What's your funniest moment?

"WHEN WE MADE COOKIES FOR THE TEACHER."
MELISSA DOOLEY
10



"THOMAS SMALDONE'S DEFINITION FOR WORDS OF THE DAY."
KATIE CAPPS
9



Voice Your Choice

Sarah Danowski
Academics Coeditor



Bethany Estep



Hannah Chandler

Before the activities begin for Spanish Club, sophomores **Melissa Dooley** and **Ashley Hayden** play a game of cards. The club members played games to allow people to prepare for the cooking.

After school, Spanish Club members sit around the food room tables until all members arrive for the cooking activity. This meeting gave members a chance to munch on their favorite food and converse.

French Club members cook up a storm in the foods room, preparing all sorts of snacks. After school students got together to celebrate a holiday using the many French traditions.

In German class, senior Tim McIntosh and freshman Daunte Billups do a partner activity. Teacher Kristen Thimijan took over the French department this year after former teacher Pam Arbuckle retired.



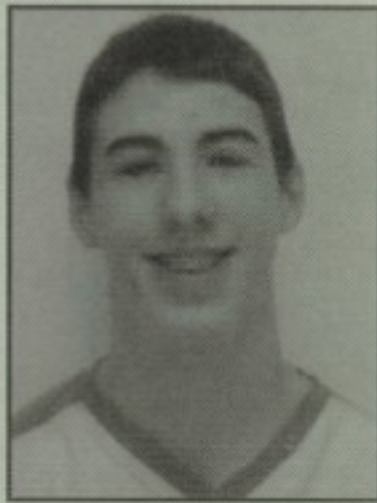
Nikola Stokor



Sara Woolary

What's your favorite thing about French/German Club

"I like all the activities we do."
Eric Stevens, 10



"We joke around and eat food, its like a party."
Kaitlin Mattice, 10

"Theres a variety of activities planned. We do something different at every meeting."
KC Humphries, 9



Voice Your Choice

Experiencing a new culture Speaking a new language

Taking a foreign language class could help students learn a new culture, a new tradition, a new language. Joining a club where people looked into the life of another culture could be a fascinating experience.

German and French clubs worked hard to make the members not only learn about traditions of their countries, but they actually planned activities for the many holidays.

German Club met once or twice every month. They hung out after school planning their activities.

"In German Club I got to meet that I never talked to before, we Frau Branson is an awesome the club really helps you in Ger-sophomore **Kaitlin Mattice** said.

The German students had a where they went to Frau home and watched German dia-

There were also many holiday parties planned. The students got together after schools, sang songs, ate food, and conversed with each other.

To relieve all of that teenage high school stress, the students also made stress bottles after school as a German Club activity. Other activities included ice skating and bowling.

"German Club gives one level of students a chance to meet another level and of course learn," **Frau Branson** said.

Like German Club, French Club also did many activities involving holiday parties and movie nights.

Watching *Toy Story* for French movie night was a great way to get the students together, have fun, and learn.

Both clubs worked hard at concession stands for the Bellevue East games. This helped the students get involved with school activities.

"There is such a variety of activities planned. We do something different at every meeting," freshman **KC Humphries** said.

"German Club gives one level of students a chance to meet another level."

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Joey Anderson



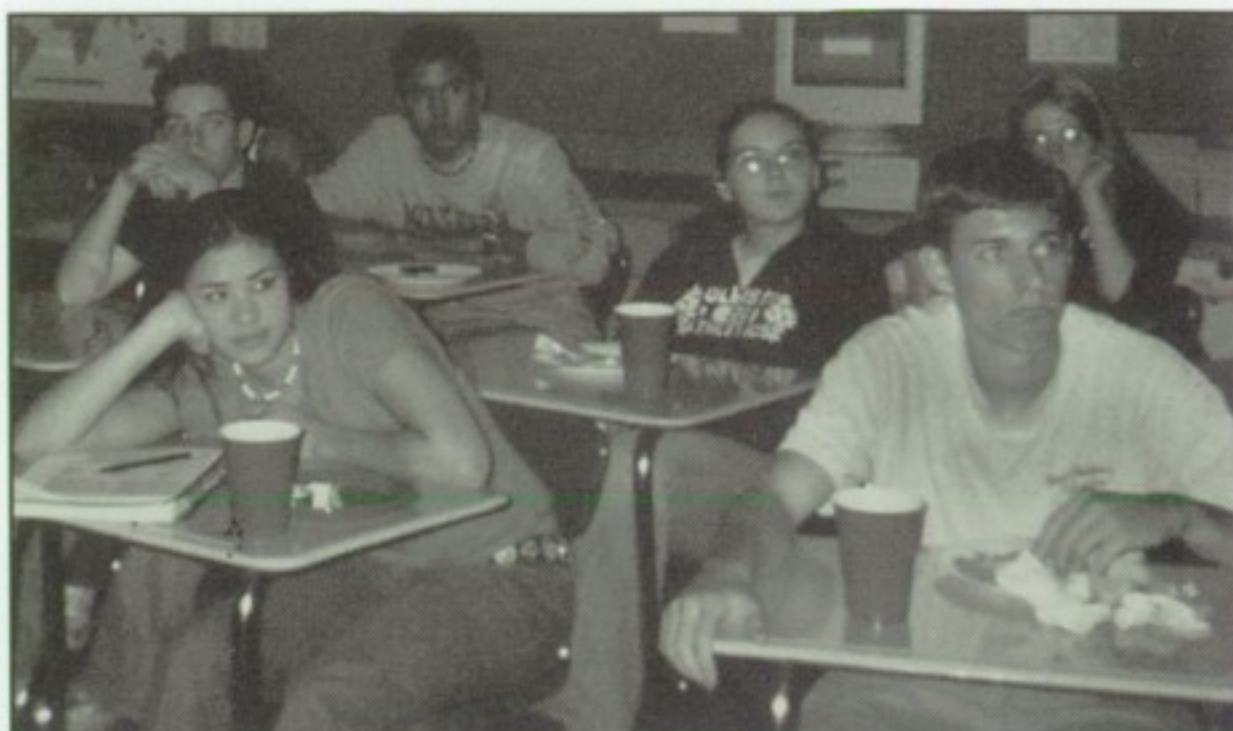
Brittany Estep
Activities coordinator



Sarah Woolery

Senior Kristin Mjeldheim and sophomore Sarah Shipman converses in French class while working on some activities together. French students helped each other rehearse their lines in French for some speaking activities.

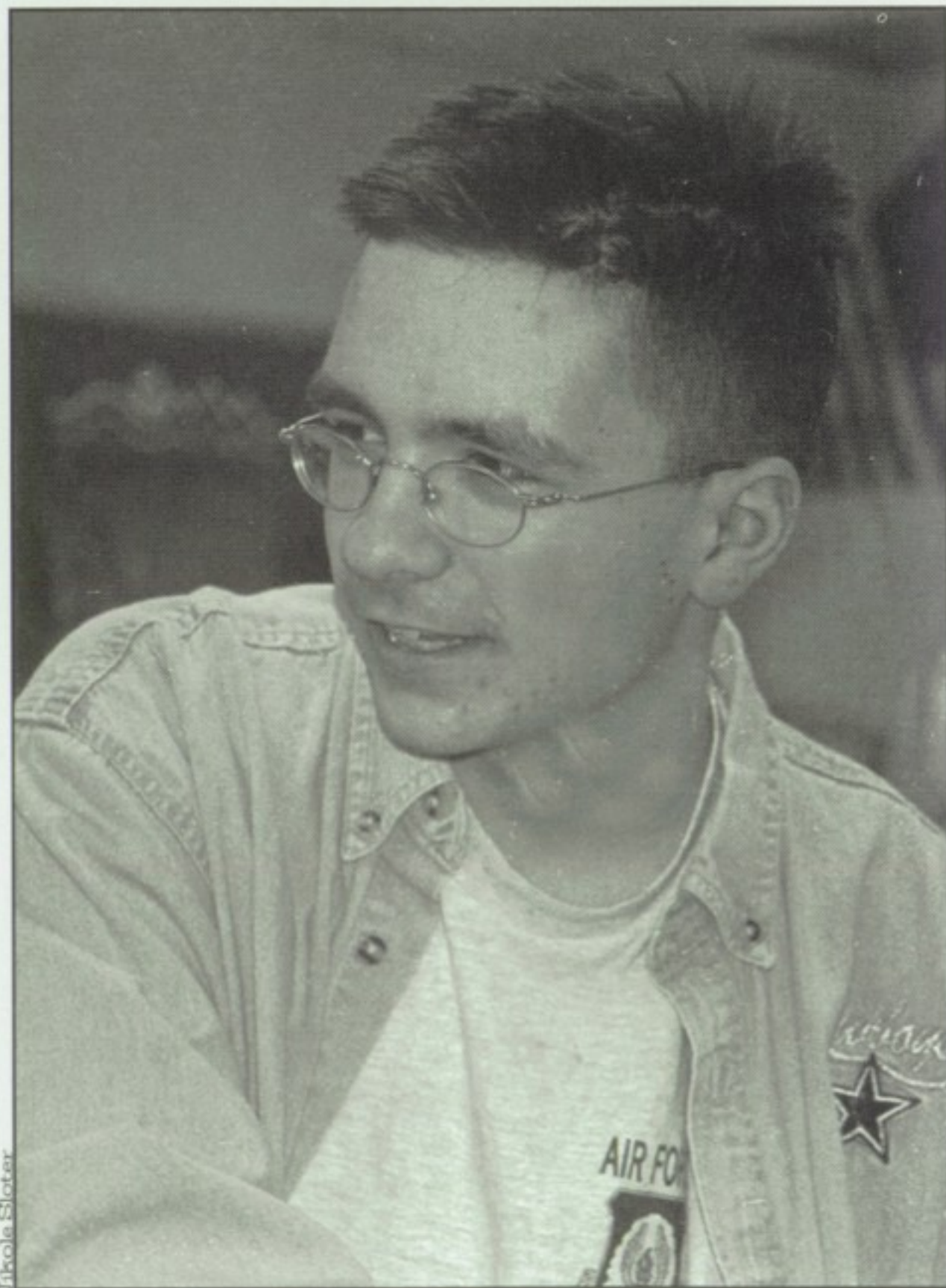
French Club members sit down to watch an interesting movie in French dialect. French Club planned a lot of activities together, including movie night, where they could bring snacks to munch on during the show.



Nikole Sloczer



Nikole Sloczer



In the foods room, senior Oscar Jimenez and freshman Shamera Hall cooks in the kitchen making all kinds of food as an activity for French Club. French Club did many activities, such as watching movies, eating food, and listening to music.

While in German class, junior Alex Colby has a conversation with his partner. Speaking and writing activities were used to help students learn and understand the materials better.

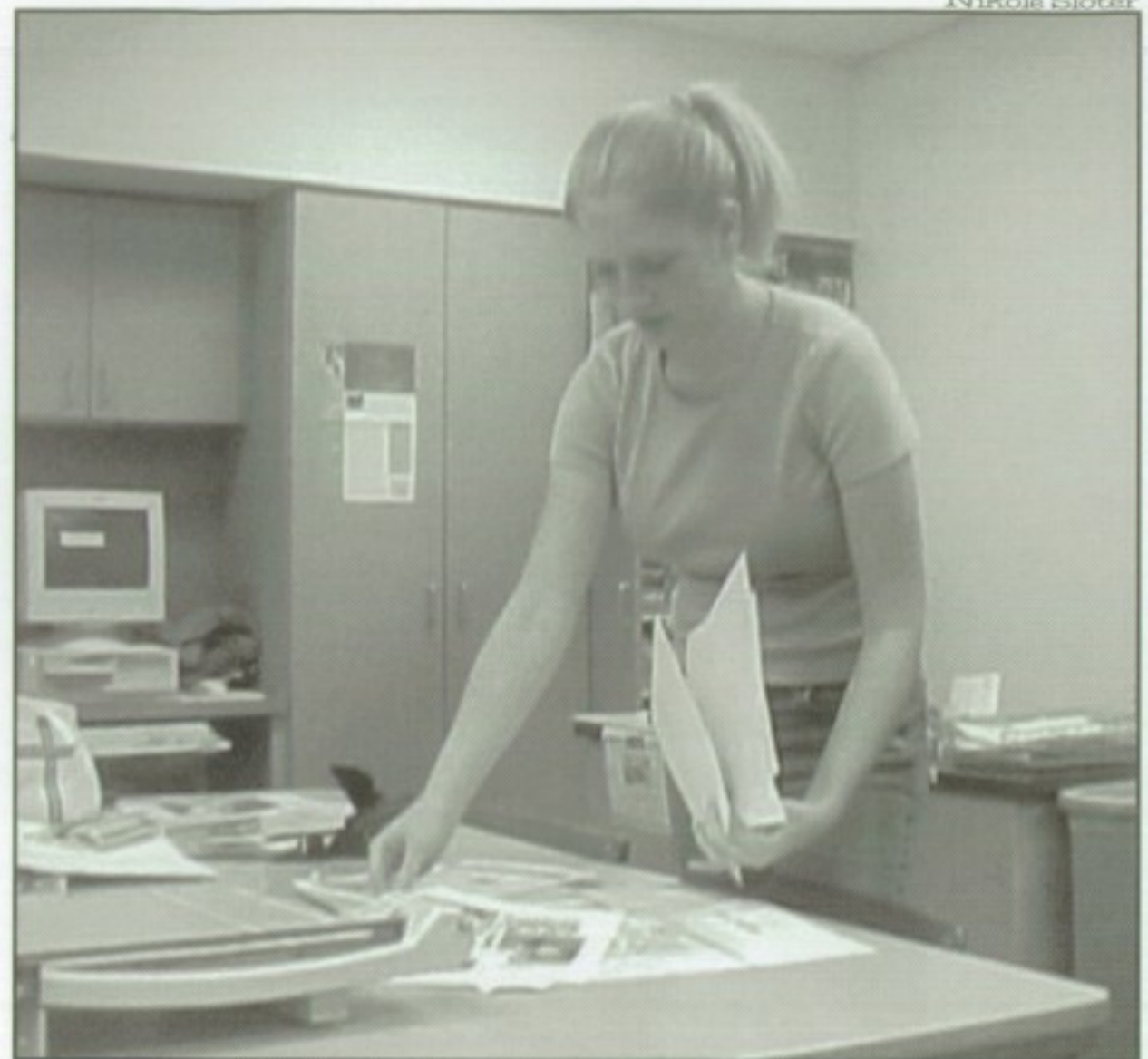
German/French

At an evening worksession, senior Kristel Eyrich and junior Jenny McCracken work on the parent ad spreads. Approximately seven worksessions were held for each of the five deadlines.



Hannah Chandler

During her second year as editor-in-chief of the yearbook, senior Hannah Chandler sorts through the proofs in class. Chandler was one of the three remaining seniors on the yearbook staff.



What is the best part of being on staff?

"Seeing the final product of my hard work."

Nick
Gregoire,
12,
Tom Tom



"Making posters and decorating the board."

Kelly Frye,
10,
Image

"It's different from my other classes."

Kaiti
Jorgenson,
10,
Chieftain



Voice Your Choice

Working and writing together

Life as a staff member is challenging

Not only during school, but after school as well, the staffs of the newspaper, the yearbook, and the *Image* worked hard at what they were assigned to do and still had time to make friends.

All of the publications were co-curricular activities, and worksessions lasted until 8:00 or even later.

"I like that you can make new friends, and it's like a family because you're up at school so much," co-editor for the Academics section, junior **Jessica Brom** said.

Students on staff learned many important skills and life lessons.

"I have learned the true meaning of dedication," Ads designer junior **Ryan Flagg** said.

Newspaper photographer **Scott Seebant** learned many new and important things from his experience on newspaper.

"I learned how to manage my time, put responsibilities first, and learned more about responsibility," Seeba said.

"I have learned the true meaning of dedication."

sophomore **Scott Seebant** learned many new and important things from his experience on newspaper.

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The *Image* was another publication that was a little different from the rest. It wasn't a regular class. Students had to take the creative writing class, and they only worked on the *Image* on Fridays. Junior **Anne Champion** liked the variety.

"I enjoy everyone's opinion and no one set person deciding what goes into the *Image*," Champion said.

In addition to the positives, there were negatives as well to being on staff.

Editor-in-Chief for the yearbook senior **Hannah Chandler** had many responsibilities, which caused stressful moments.

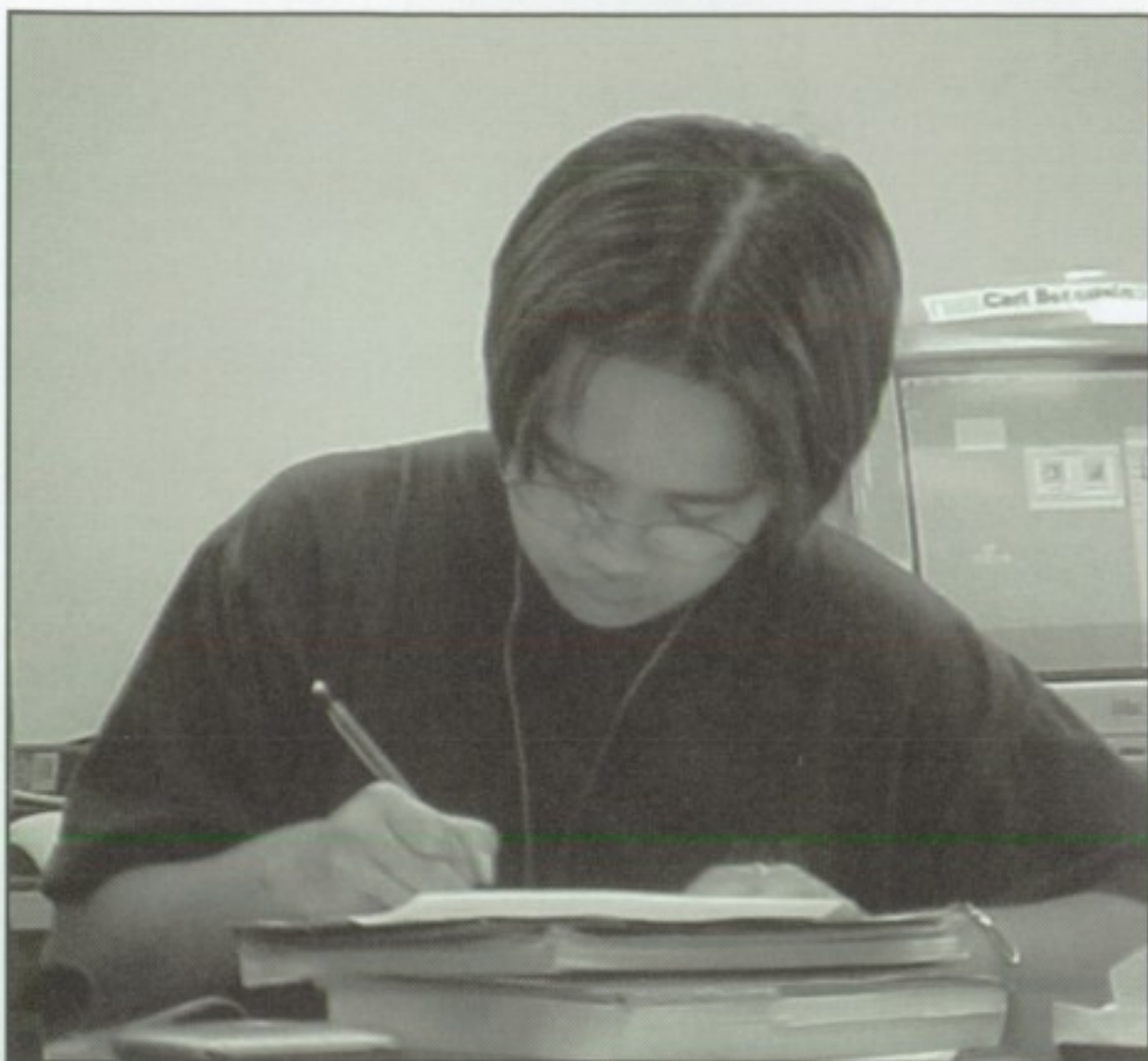
"The most difficult thing that I have to do is being the boss to my friends and people my own age," Chandler said.

Besides having stressful moments on staff, students had to step up and keep on top of things.

Editor-in-Chief of the *Tom-Tom* senior **Carlos Figueroa** had this difficult task, and it helped him to work harder.

"Living up to expectations, things the school expects, and my goal is to meet those and make quality products," Figueroa said.

Nicole Mathis
Staff writer



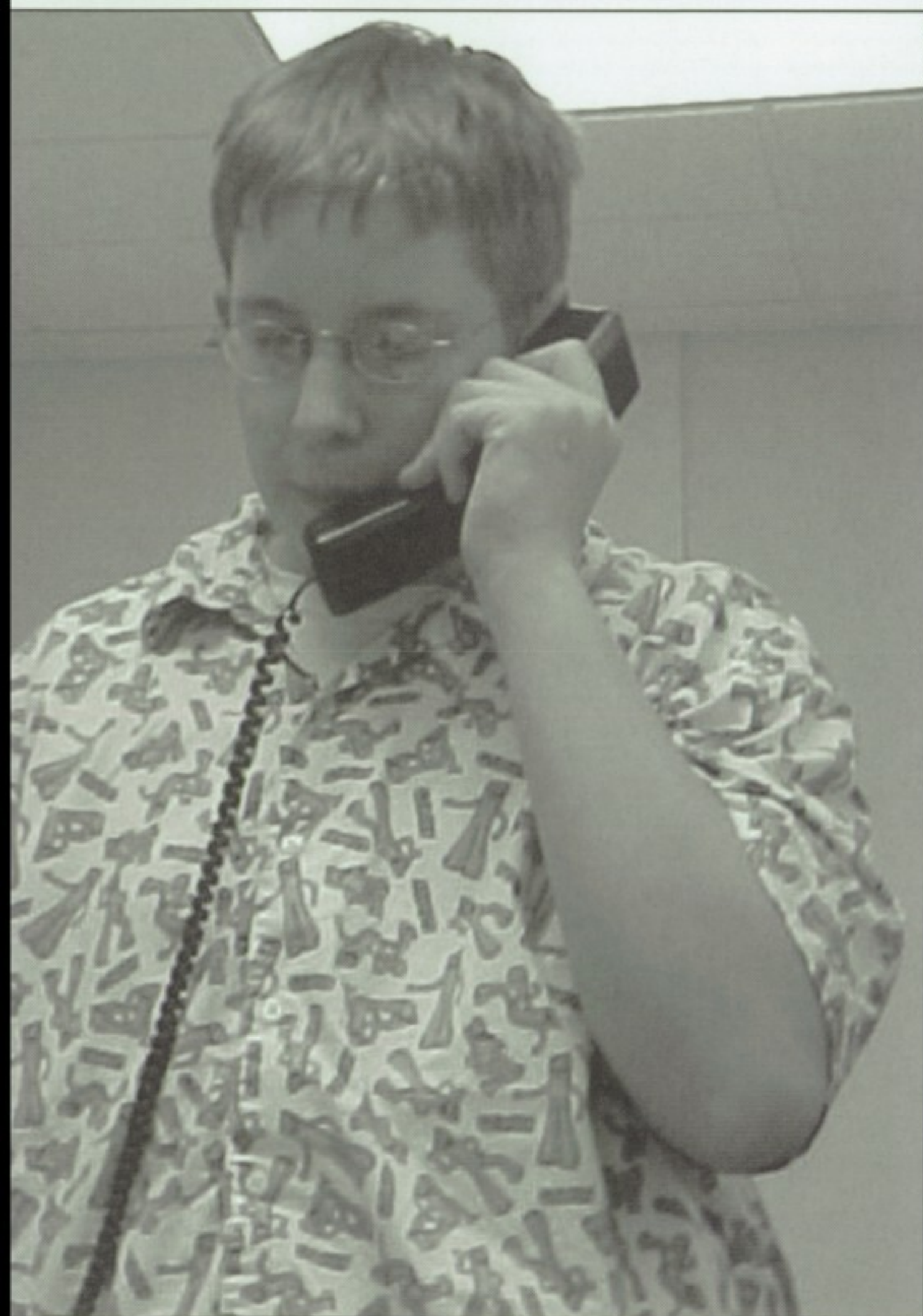
Mike Crum

Designing a picture for the newspaper, senior **Carrie Ybay** draws during class. Ybay was one of two graphic arts designers on staff. The other designer was **Darcy Wilson**. This was Ybay's third year on the *Tom Tom* staff.

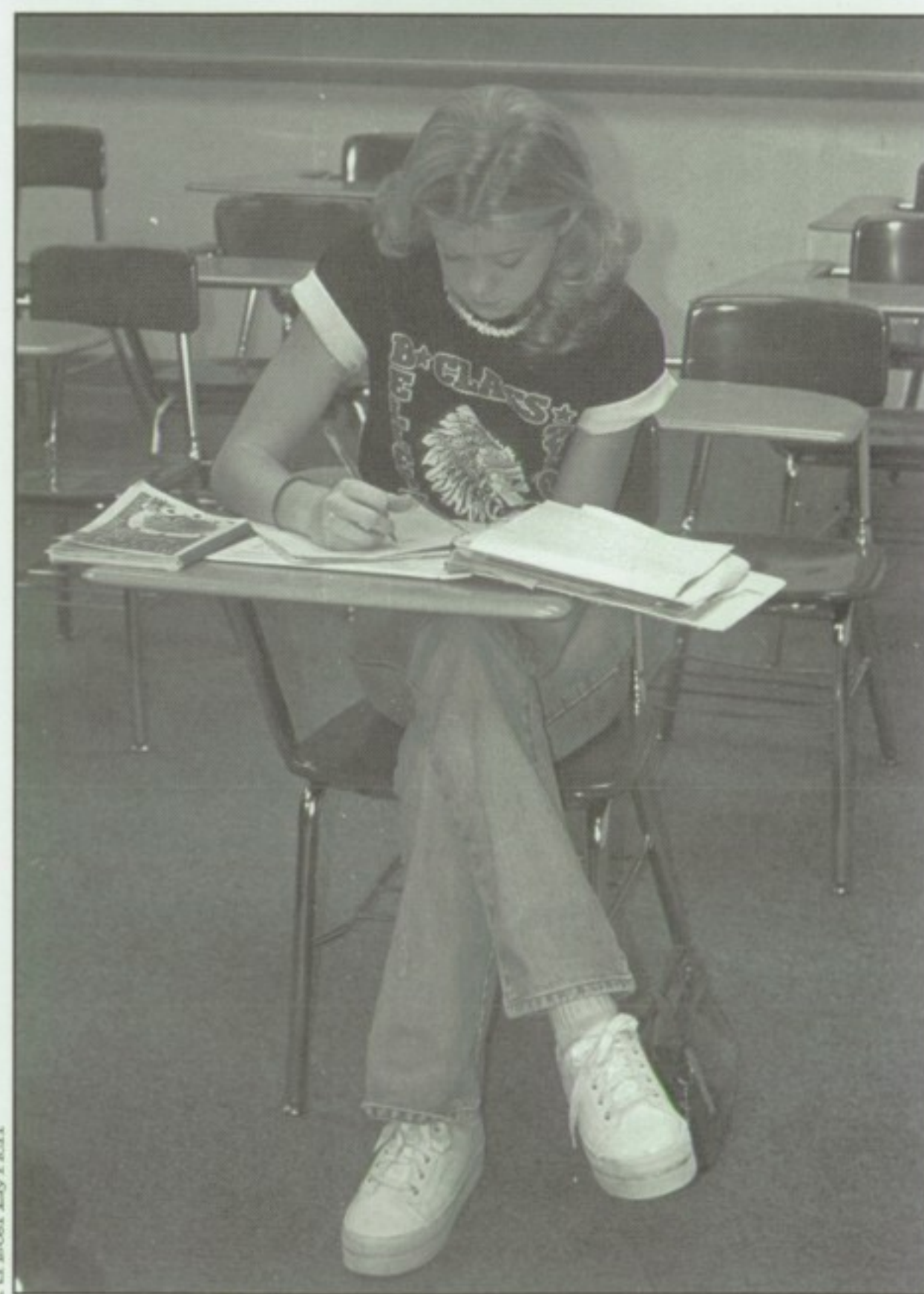
Working on the computer, *Tom Tom* editor-in-chief senior **Carlos Figueroa** opens up his story to make some last minute changes. Figueroa was involved in journalism for four years but was only on staff for three.



Mike Crum



Mike Crum



Kristal Bryrlich

Sophomore **Scott Seeba** talks on the phone to Midwest Camera during class about getting a camera fixed. Seeba was a photographer on the *Tom Tom* staff. It was his first year on staff.

In creative writing class, sophomore **Kelly Frye** works on a story for the *Image*. Creative Writing was held first hour and on Fridays they worked on *Image* material. The *Image* was a literary magazine.

Publications

Triumph.

Everyone knows that our school has never had the greatest sport teams, but just like other things in our school, this, too, could change.

For the first time in four years, our varsity volleyball team ranked in the top ten and kept on rising. Even after losing Janielle Brian, a critical team member, they managed to hold up their heads and continue playing. They had the challenge of playing the No. 2 team in the state, Bellevue West, at the Metro Tournament. Although East lost, they still considered it a triumph to end the season at No. 7.

Volleyball wasn't the only team that had a good season. For the second consecutive year, the junior varsity football team ended their season undefeated, creating hope for next years' varsity football team.

Even though the varsity softball team ended their season with a record of 17-13, they saw a major triumph at the Metro Tournament. After countless years of defeat, they finally triumphed over Marian, beating them 4-0.

For the last two years, the varsity tennis team had an excellent record of 10-3. With their number one player being a junior and only four of the players graduating, the team hoped to have good luck next year.

Whether it was a losing season or a winning one, when all was said and done, we showed our talent and

TRIUMPH.



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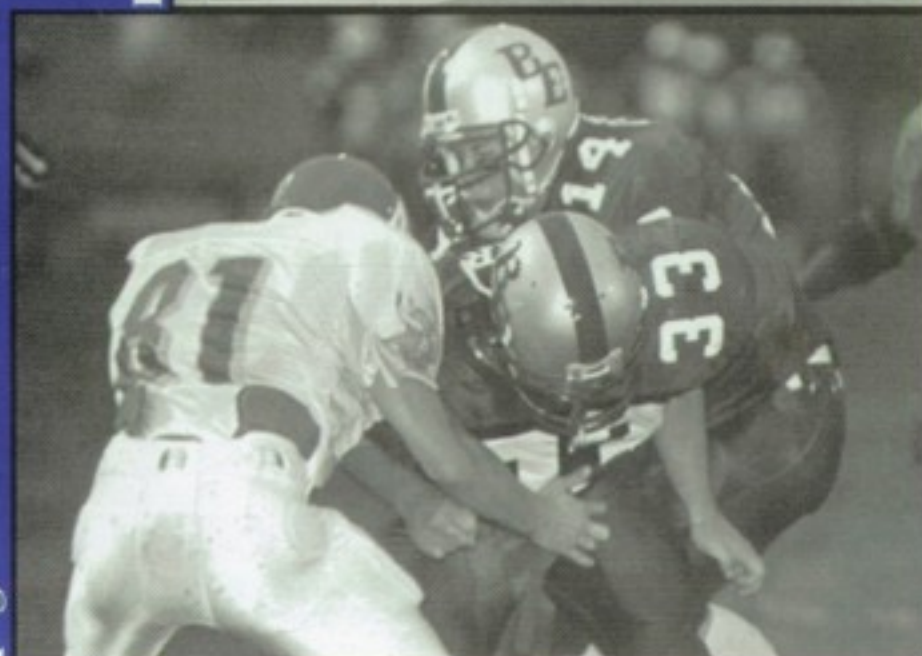
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At a varsity volleyball game, senior Kesha Miller jumps and spikes the ball. The team had one of their best seasons, ranking in the top ten and making it to the semifinals at Metro.

Varsity Football Varsity

Varsity Football

score	East	Opponent
16	Oyaha Westside	13
17	Oyaha North (Homecoming)	20
17	Oyaha Central	28
41	Lincoln Southwest	0
13	Millard North	42
13	Belleuve West	16
7	Oyaha Northwest	24
14	Oyaha South	21
6	Oyaha Burke	21
Season Record 2-7		



Sticking together

Even in defeat, the team learns to unite

Strong senior leadership led the varsity football team to a season driven by determination and team spirit.

"Football is all about pride, responsibility, and commitment," senior wingback Dan Nakai said.

Even though there were some rough games this season, the players and coaches had good things to say about the team.

Junior running back Roger Washington said that East football was unique because the team's looks were deceiving.

"We have undersized players, and we can still pull off wins against the best teams in the state," Washington said.

But just practicing and getting stronger wasn't enough.

Assistant Coach Rob Mason said that teamwork is the most important part of football.

"The players and coaches form bonds and strategy that are special to football," Mason said.

Sophomore wingback and outside linebacker Robert Rands thought the team struggled but had many strengths.

"We all get along and stick together no matter what," Rands said.

Washington also learned to trust the other players on the team.

"Trust the people around you, and trust that they'll get their job done," Washington said.

Senior fullback Kevin Carr said the team had improved since the 2001 season.

"We've had some minor setbacks, but nothing is going to stop us," Carr said.

Coach Jerry Lovell was also proud of the team but said improvements could be made. Lovell added that practice and training are important to a strong program.

"Players need to continue to lift in class and take care of themselves during their free time," Lovell said. "Showing up every day ready to learn helps." Football helped build self-confidence within the team and in the players' lives.

Nakai said, "Never give up because victory will come."

Nicole Mathis
Staff Writer

**"Never give up
because victory
will come"
Dan Nakai, 12**

By the Numbers

144 total points scored

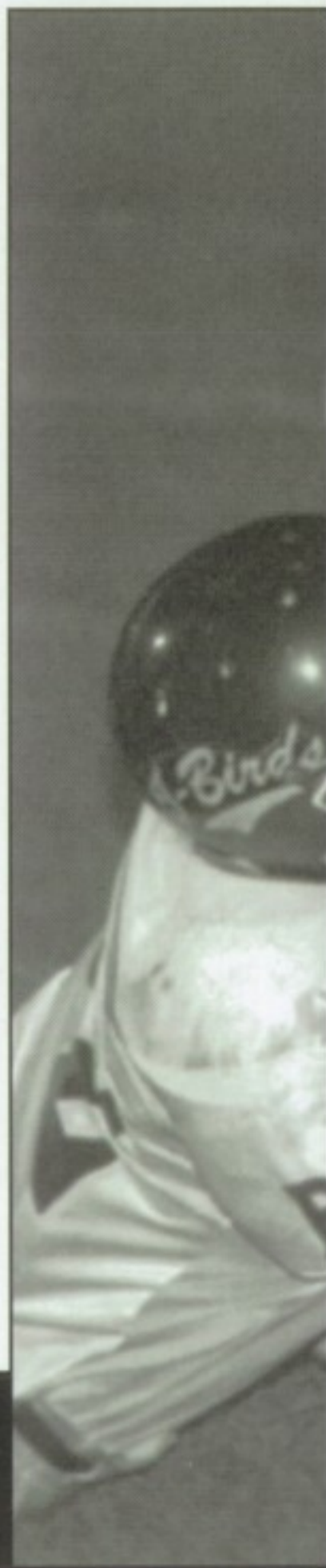
24 seniors on the team

5 home games

\$925

raised by the jersey auction

1 RANKED TEAM DEFEATED



Football Varsity Football

While senior Lance Shafer rushes to help, senior defensive back Aaron Foster brings down an opponent. The Chieftains lost the game to Millard North 42-13.

Sophomore linebacker Robert Rands carries the ball while senior Bryan Bell blocks. This was Rands' first year on varsity, and his teammates said he was a huge asset to the team.

Darting around an opponent, senior Kevin Carr turns for a touchdown. Carr said that he had improved since last year. I am bigger, stronger, faster, and more competitive, Carr said.



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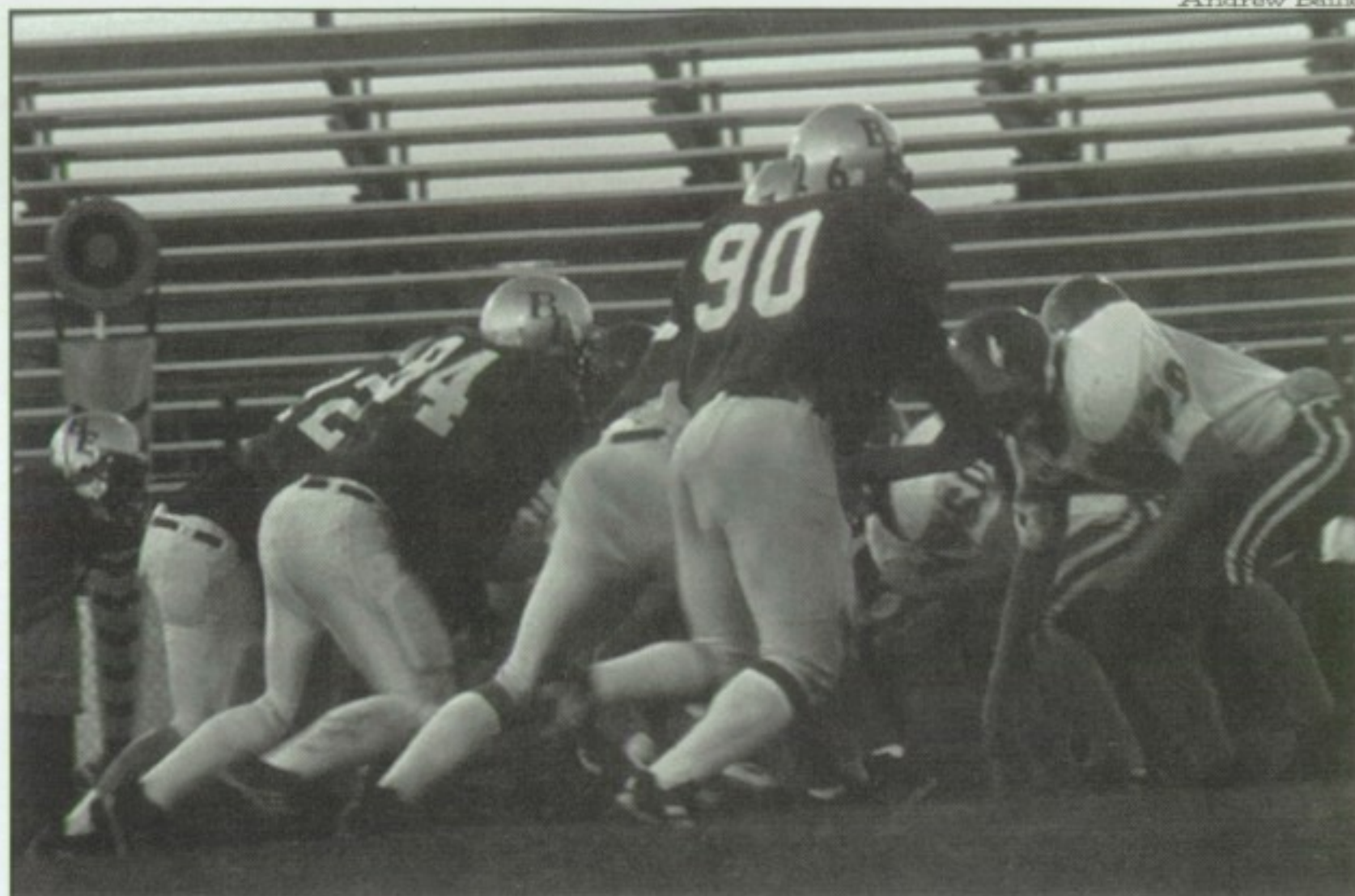
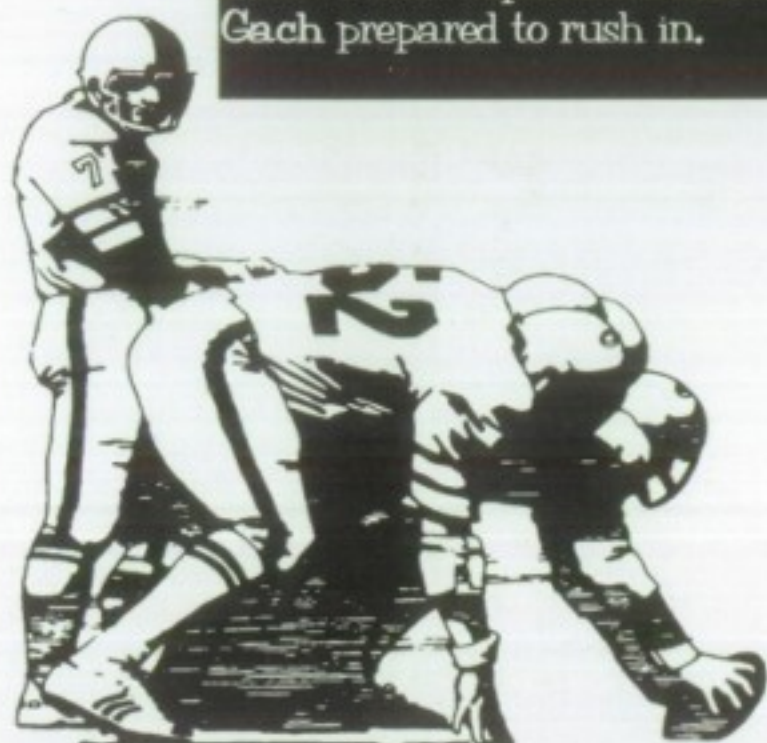
In the game against Bellevue West, senior Dan Nakai pushes through the line. The Chieftains suffered an upsetting loss in overtime to the Thunderbirds, 16-13.

Junior Matt O'Hanlon rushes the ball after the snap while senior Kevin Carr blocks an Omaha North player. This was O'Hanlon's second year as the varsity quarterback.

JV/F Football JV/F Football

Andrew Beale

After the snap, the JV defense drives back their opponent's offensive line. Sophomore Shawn Cach prepared to rush in.



Striving for success

Players hope to keep undefeated drive alive

Ending the season with an undefeated record, the JV football team proved that hard work does pay off.

Coming off of a 9-0 freshman football record in the 2001 season, the players on the team had yet to experience defeat.

"We've always stuck together, and that's probably the most important thing a team could do," sophomore quarterback Tim Burton said.

Many players attributed their wins to team spirit and leadership.

"During the games, everyone would do their part," sophomore Dan Teselle said. "Coaching was great, and Tim did a great job leading the team."

Sophomore Sean Feagan said that working together was key to the team's success.

"We did an awesome job this season,

and it's all because of teamwork," Feagan said.

With the pressures of staying in shape and countless practices, working hard was a major aspect of the game.

"Hard work is what got us to where we are," sophomore Justin Conley said. "We deserve to be undefeated."

Having an undefeated record did more than just look good on the scoreboard; it helped keep the team motivated.

"We didn't want to end our winning streak," Burton said, "so we were really motivated by that."

Team members had high hopes for the future as well.

"If we can keep on working together, we'll keep having good seasons," Feagan said.

Teselle agreed.

"I think we will do great next year," Teselle said. "Another undefeated season would be nice."

Kaiti Jorgenson
Sports Co-Editor

**"Hard work is what got us to where we are."
Justin Conley, 10**

By the Numbers

31 players on the JV team

32 players on the freshman team

254 total points scored by JV team

4 COACHES FOR FRESHMAN TEAM

3 shutouts by JV



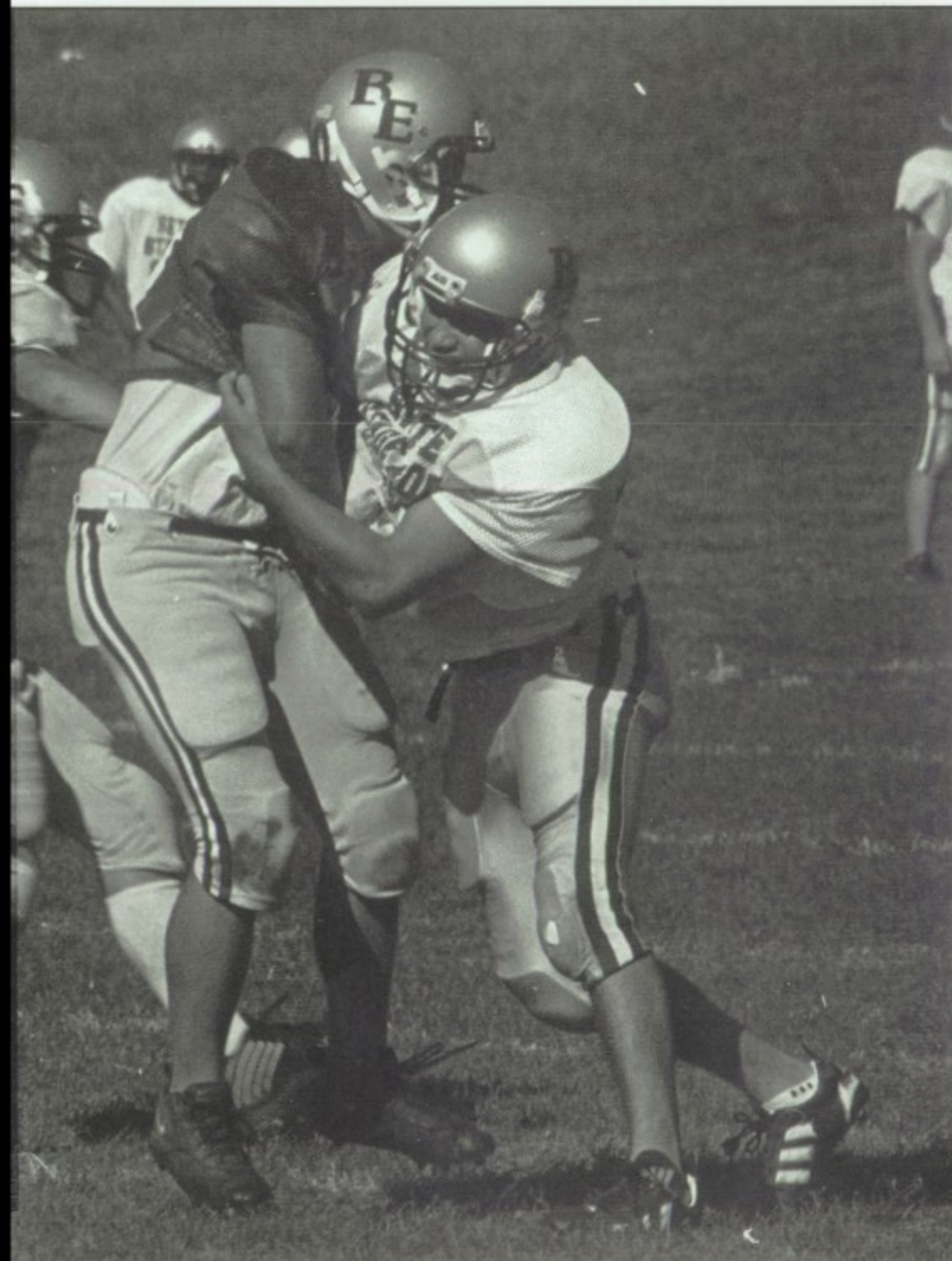
JV/F Football JV/F Football

Football

score

board

JV			Freshman		
East	Opponent	Score	East	Opponent	Score
20	Omaha Westside	9	14	Omaha Skutt	28
28	Omaha North	0	0	Ralston	30
41	Omaha Burke	20	16	Papillion Jr. High	14
21	Omaha Bryan	0	48	Thomas Jefferson	0
27	Omaha South	7	40	Abraham Lincoln	28
48	Bellevue West	7	30	LaVista Jr. High	14
14	Millard South	6	6	Bellevue West	14
55	Papillion/LaVista	0	12	Omaha Westside	34
Season Record 8-0			Season Record 4-4		



Andrew Boulis



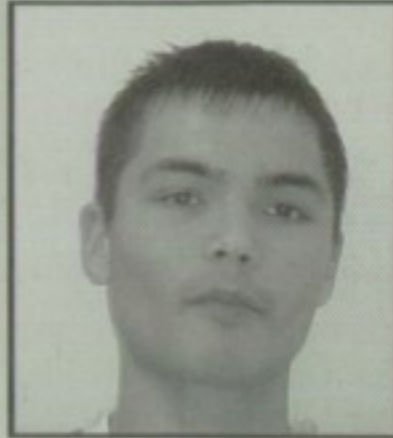
Andrew Boulis

Taking down his teammate during practice, sophomore Sam Gonzalez begins to tackle as junior Kyle Christiansen tries to hold his balance. The team members said that practice played a big part in the team's success.

Junior Tony Kouba pushes down his teammate during practice. This was Kouba's second year playing on the JV team.

Cross Country Cross C

HOW DID YOU
PREPARE YOUR-
SELF BEFORE
MEETS?



"I make sure that I'm hydrated, and I also try to clear my mind and just think."
Pete Colina, 12



"I try to be by myself and concentrate or take a nap."
Tracy Wolz, 11

Running toward success

East sends two runners to state

Even though they ran in only five meets, the girls' cross country team still sent one person to state, while the boys ran all of theirs and also sent only one person to state.

This year going to state was different for one person and totally the same for the other.

Junior **Kaylen Harris** had run for three years on the cross country team and for the second time ran at state in Kearney, Nebraska.

"It's an experience I always love doing; running in state is always fun to do," Harris said.

The other person who went to state was senior **Ben Schaff**. This was Schaff's fourth year running cross-country and his second year running at state.

Schaff said, "State championships are great because I'm running with the best runners in the state of Nebraska."

Although only two people went to state, other students ran for Bellevue East's cross-country team.

Freshman **Julie Silberstein** began running cross-country in 2002. She said that family got her started when

she began running with her parents every morning.

"I always liked to run with my dad," Silberstein said, "but I also enjoy running cross-country at school with my friends."

Silberstein said that running at school was fun because like her dad, she ran with people she enjoyed being around.

Although only two people ran at state, the team hoped to send more people to state in 2003. Silberstein said that one of her goals was to participate in

the state meet of 2003. Coach **Dave Wallace** also wanted to send more runners to state.

"Hopefully we can get more than one guy and one girl to state next year," Wallace said. "If that happens next year will be a whole lot more fun."

**"It's an experience that I always love doing."
Kaylen Harris,
11**

State Runners



KAYLEN HARRIS
JUNIOR
YEARS IN CROSS
COUNTRY:3

She said...

"Running at state is great; I'm with the best."

BEN SCHAFF
SENIOR
YEARS IN CROSS
COUNTRY:4



He said...

"Running at state has been the highlight of my year."

Joey Andersen
Sports Co-Editor

Country Cross Country

Coach Darrel Berg, Andrew Mitchel, Travis Wolz, Tyler Cloyd, Steve Schlange, coach Dave Wallace, Adam Hike, Josh Smith, Pete Colina, John Smith, Ben Schaff, Josh McKean, Tim Kruger, Josh Schaff, Ryan McGlauthin



Coach Darrel Berg, Rachelle Lowery, Erin Herrmann, Alicia Sins, coach Dave Wallace, Jessie Jenkins, Tracey Wolz, Mina Si, Kaylen Harris, Julie Silberstein



By the Numbers

16 times the teams placed

8 members on the girls team

13 members on the boys team

2 MEMBERS WENT TO STATE

5 times the girls couldn't compete because of team size

Cross Country

Boys

Ralston Invitational..... 4th

Belleue West..... 9th, 4th, 10th, 7th

Millard South..... 10th

Class of Metro..... 10th

Norfolk..... 6th

Kearney Invitational..... 9th

Millard West Invitational..... 7th

JV Metro..... 7th

Metro Varsity..... 12th

Districts..... 6th

Girls

Belleue West..... 4th

Norfolk Invitational..... 9th

Districts..... 5th

score

board



Even with smaller teams than most metro schools, both the boys' and girls' cross-country teams still did well in their meets.

Girls Golf Girls Golf Girls

Sophomore Amanda Vogelti places the ball near the cup of the green. Vogelti placed thirteenth at the JV Westside Invite.



Mike Crum

Sophomore Elyse Watson approaches the green. Watson was one of two golfers who placed at the JV Westside Invite; she placed 8th.

Mike Crum



Mike Crum

Coach Mindy Skoff begins to demonstrate the proper way to chip the ball. This was her first year coaching golf on her own.

Freshman Ashley Grandstaff brings the golf club back as she prepares to chip the ball onto the green. Grandstaff and the rest of the team hoped to improve.



Golf Girls Golf Girls Golf

Preparing her follow through, sophomore Melissa Dooley prepares to hit the ball down the fairway. Although they lost, Dooley said that she had fun playing.



Mike Crum

Varsity			Girls Golf	
score	East	Opponent		
	190	Belleuve West	174	Varsity Tournaments
	268	Omaha Westside	192	Metro..... 14th
	290	Millard West	214	Ralston/Westside Invitational..... 14th
	244	Omaha South	236	District Tournament..... 8th
	303	Omaha North	242	TV Tournaments
	205	Omaha Northwest	197	Papillon Invitational..... 454
	254	Millard North	223	Belleuve West/Westside
	213	Omaha Benson	176	Invitational..... 8th, 13th
	Season Record 0-8			board

It's all about fun

Being defeated didn't bother the team

Most people say winning is everything. That wasn't true for this year's girls golf team. They had the misfortune of not winning any of their games, but that didn't stop them from having fun.

Some of the girls on the team were playing for the first time, like sophomore Melissa Dooley. She got involved with the golf team when her friend Elyse Watson, a sophomore who was also

**"It didn't bother me that we lost, because we had fun."
Melissa Dooley,
10**

on the team, and Dooley's uncle inspired her to play. Dooley had never played golf until her sophomore year.

"It didn't bother me that we lost, because we had fun," Dooley said.

There were also more experienced golfers on the team, like sophomore Amanda Voegtli. Voegtli had been playing since she was eight years old, when her father got her interested in

golf.

"I joined the team because there isn't much competition. Besides it's fun," Voegtli said.

Also with experience, Watson had been playing for two years. She started getting interested when she was a freshman. Watson's dad and brother played golf, so she decided she should try the game.

The team played schools like Bellevue West, Millard West, Millard North, Omaha Benson, and others.

Even though they didn't win any of their games, they were eager to improve in the future.

"Next year we hope to win many more now that we are more experienced," Watson said.

Sarah Shipman
Staff Writer

By the Numbers

7 members on the team

6 tournaments

2 girls placed at JV Westside Invite

8 COURSES PLAYED ON

4 home matches

Softball Softball Softball

Senior Roz Breedlove swings at the ball with a forceful arm. Breedlove led the East hitters this season with a .310 average and also made the Second Team All-State for Class A.

Completing the play at first base, freshman Stephanie Shank catches the ball in the game against Bryan. Shank was part of the JV team this season.

Swinging at the ball, junior Emily Noble attempts to make a play. Along with playing second base, she pitched for a 7-3 record.



Michael Crum



Joey Andersen



Michael Crum

Junior Emily Noble crouches in her batting stance as she waits for the ball to be pitched. Noble was awarded a Metro-Division Honorable Mention.

Preparing to take off for first base, senior Crisa Albright hits the ball. Albright was an All-Division Metro player this year.



Softball Softball Softball

Michael Crum

Softball

score

East	Opponent	Score
12	Omaha Benson	0
4	Nebraska City	6
8		5
0	Papillion/LaVista	5
2	Omaha Central	3
8	Omaha Northwest	1
5	Omaha Bryan	3
5	Omaha South	0
1	Millard West	0
0	Millard South	3

0	Elkhorn	1
0	Omaha Burke	1
3	Omaha Westside	0

Tournaments

Omaha South Invitational.....	2-1
Omaha North Invitational.....	2-1
Bellevue East Invitational.....	3-2
Metro.....	1-1
Districts.....	2-2

Season Record 17-13

board



By the Numbers

6 shutouts pitched
by Mallory Douglas

5 tournaments
played in

6 seniors leaving
the team

ranked **9**th in
Class A

2
Honorable Mentions
in Metro Division

Michael Crum

The tables turn

Girls beat Marian after years of defeat

After countless years of being defeated by Marian's varsity softball team, the Bellevue East Lady Chieftains finally turned the tables and defeated Marian.

Many years had passed since Marian lost to Bellevue East, but East changed this by defeating Marian 4-0 at the Metro Tournament. For the Lady Chieftains, the Marian victory gave them the motivation to keep working at a State spot.

"We were already motivated, but this gave us even more want for the state spot," senior **Mary Homan** said.

For others, the main goal of the Marian game was to prove that they could defeat a team like Marian.

Coach **Chuck Rombach** said, "We were already good, but this made us a better team with the dedication to beat Marian."

Although the game wasn't played at East's home field, the girls were still happy for the win.

"I've lost to them at home, and this year it was about us beating them

anywhere," junior **Roz Breedlove** said.

Returning players had been waiting for the day that the Lady Chieftains would defeat Marian, but for freshmen, sophomores, and other rookies, this win was equally significant.

"My sister told me about the game each year," freshman **Audrey Homan** said, "but experiencing it and beating them was great."

**"This year it was about us beating them anywhere."
Roz Breedlove, 11**

Joey Andersen
Sports Co-Editor

Boys Tennis Boys Tennis



Senior Jon Jameson practices his forehand as he returns the ball over the net during practice. Jameson believed that the team had its best season in four years.

During the Homecoming pep rally, senior Stattin Yates celebrates their best season with the school. The rest of his team members watched behind him.



Hannah Chandler

Breaking through New coach brings changes and success

After coming off its best season in school history, the varsity tennis team started off on the wrong foot with a loss to Bellevue West. The team then found its groove and won ten of the next twelve matches. They were led by the number one singles player, junior **Tim Gorham**.

"I played hard and think I got better as time went on," Gorham said.

This year's tennis team had a goal to beat the old school record.

"We all really tried to set a new record," Gorham said. "We came out at the beginning hoping for that."

Although the team didn't meet its goal, the players were proud of how well they played this season.

Senior **Erik Nielson** said, "We did well as a team and had a lot of fun."

Junior **Danny Beckstead** agreed.

"We did have a good time, but it was still really challenging at the same

time," Beckstead said.

The tennis team also had a new challenge this year in the form of brand new coach, Doug Schaffer.

"He had different teaching techniques. He made us condition more, run a little more, but he had a very positive attitude all the time," Nielson said.

Gorham agreed that Schaffer's leadership was a nice improvement.

"He brings a positive attitude to the match and focuses on each player getting better," Gorham said.

Beckstead said that while Schaffer was a great change for this year's team, he'll make future teams better, too.

"He's an awesome coach, and I'm glad I get to play with him again next year," Beckstead said. "He's going to make more improvements that will only make us better."

Kristel Eyrich
Staff Writer

"We did have a good time but it was still really challenging at the same time."

Danny Beckstead, 11

By the Numbers

9 players on the team

3 brands of equipment used

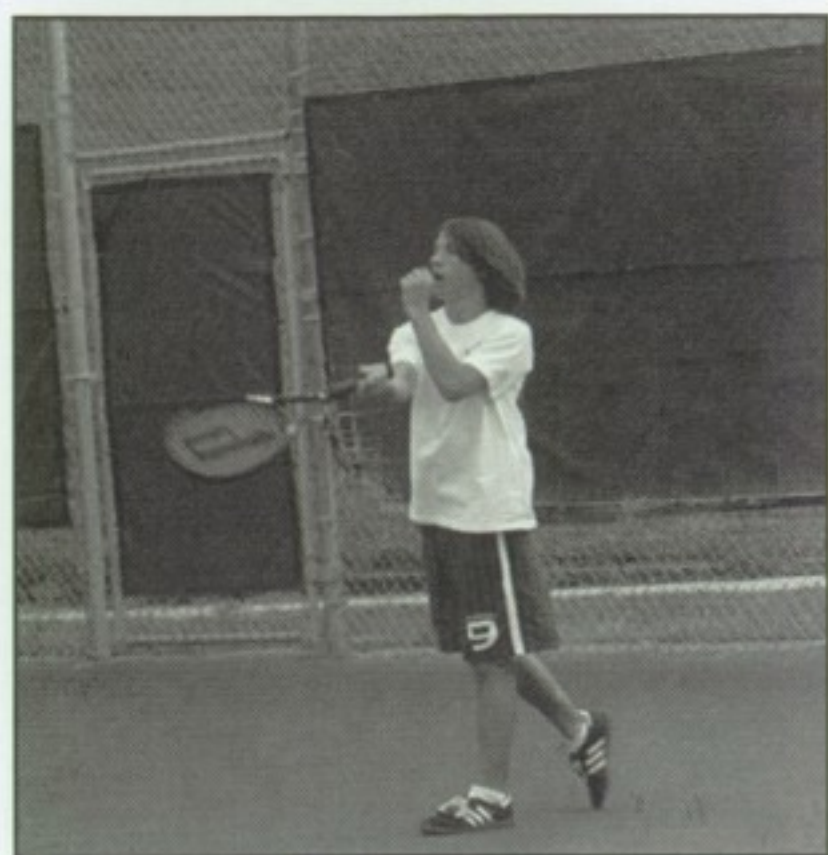
5 players went to state

10 COURTS PLAYED ON

8 home matches

Boys Tennis Boys Tennis

While practicing junior Danny Beckstead returns a ball with a lob shot. With this being Beckstead's second year on varsity tennis, he hoped to keep improving.



Brittany Betsap

Boys Tennis

East	Opponent	Score
4	Belleue West	5
9	Omaha Northwest	0
2	Brownell-Talbott	7
8	Omaha Burke	1
8	Millard West	1
7	Ralston	2
8	Millard South	1
9	Omaha South	0
1	Millard North	8
9	Omaha Benson	0
8	Mt. Michael	1
6	Omaha North	0
8	Gross	1

score

Tournaments

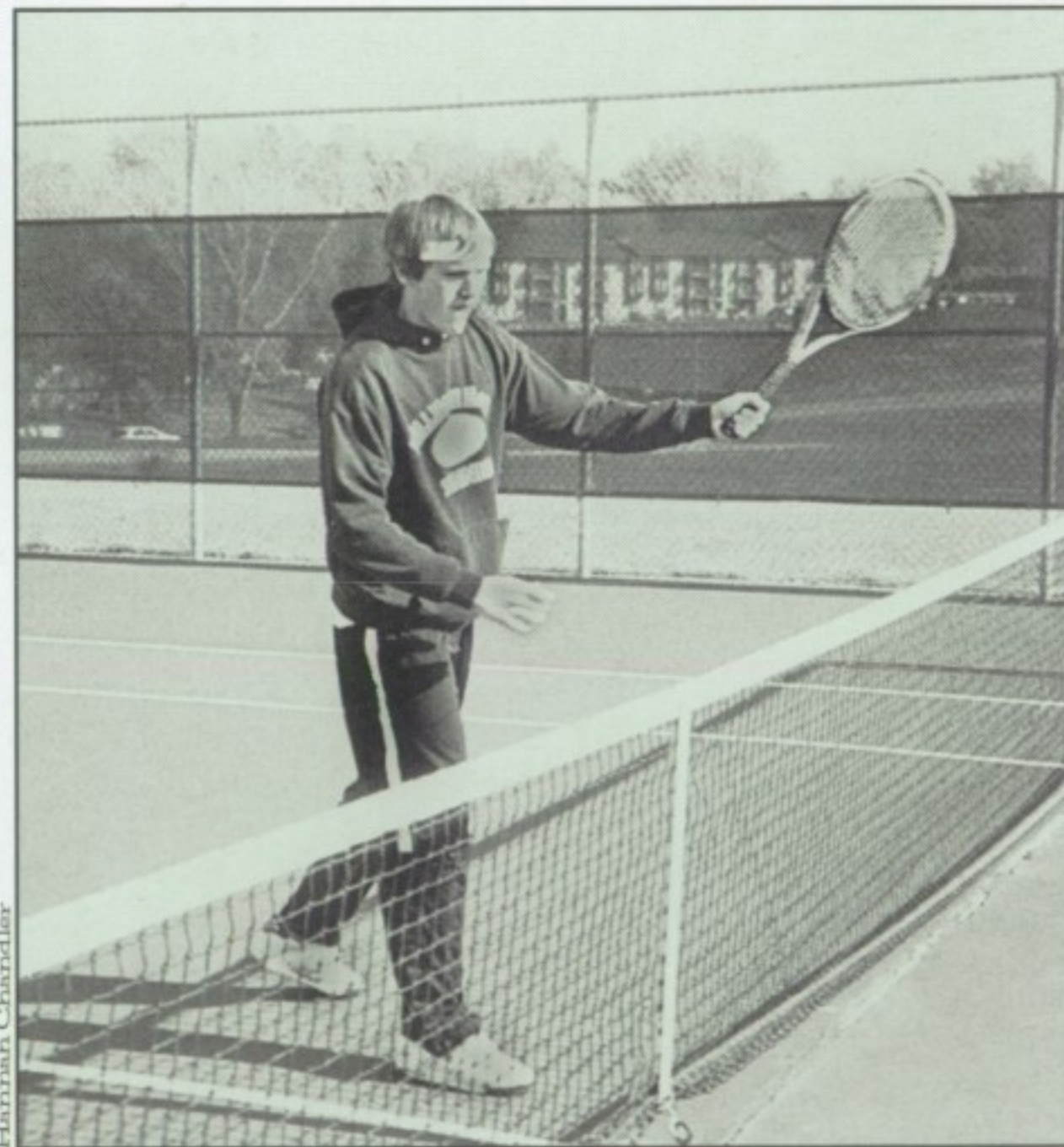
LNE Invitational..... 7th
 Bellevue East Invitational..... 4th
 Metro..... 6th
 State..... 11th

Season Record 10-3

board



Burgundy Ohle

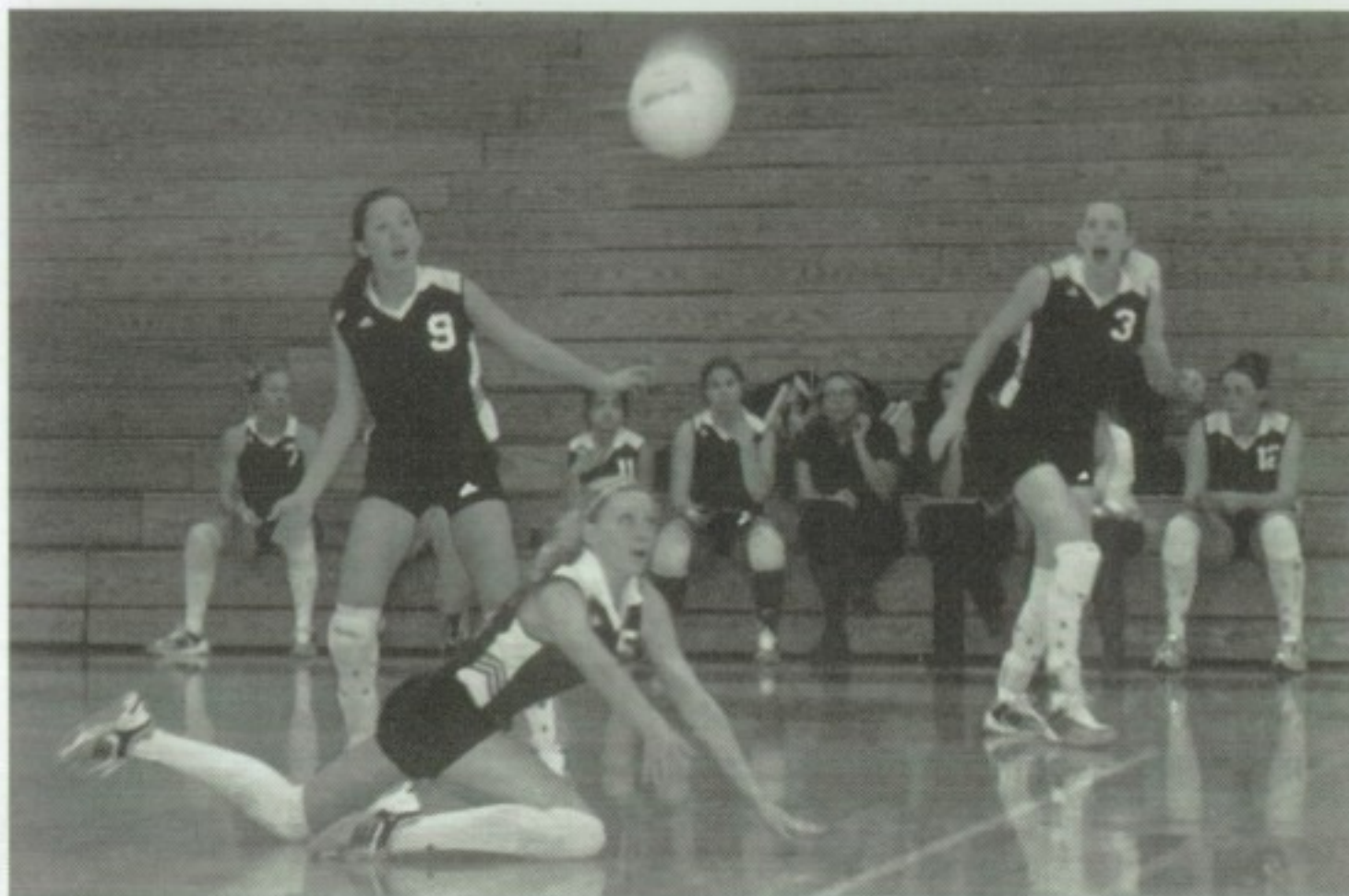


Hannah Chandler

Junior Tim Corham prepares to return the ball during practice. Corham was the team's number one singles player; his record at state was 1-1.

Practicing with some friends, senior Stattin Yates comes close to the net to smash the ball. Yates was one of five players on varsity to compete at state.

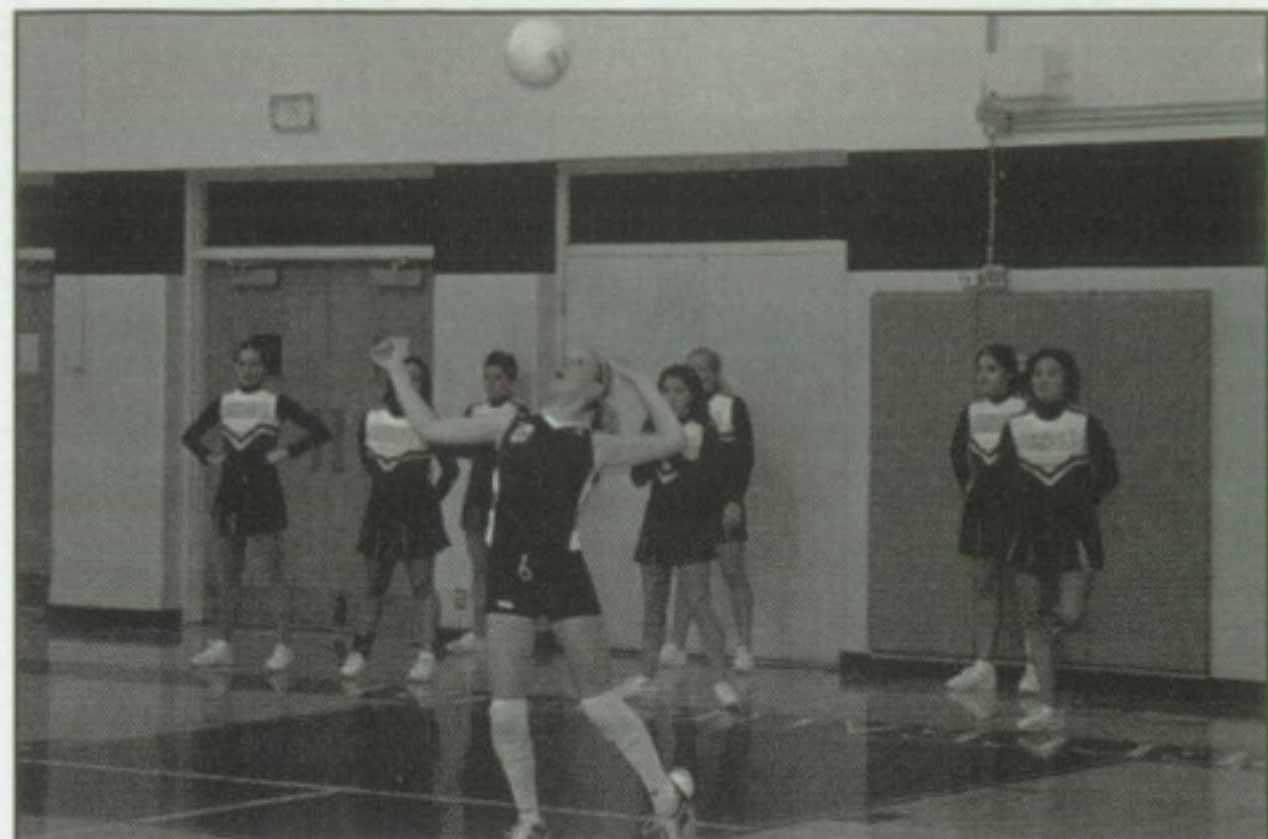
Varsity Volleyball Varsity V



Andrew Beattie

Diving on the ground, senior Micayla Holtmeyer saves the ball. Her teammates, freshman Rebecca Marsh and senior Alyssa Berg, look on ready to help.

During a home game, senior Micayla Holtmeyer throws the ball and prepares to serve. Holtmeyer was one of the leaders on the team in aces.



Michael Crum

Leading the team

Hard work gets the girls in the rankings

Entering the Metro Tournament, the varsity volleyball team was ranked number seven, reaching for number one.

With a record of 20-11, the team was on the rise and hoping to get to district finals. But with the loss of a player to injuries, the team struggled to regain their momentum.

"Our team is kinda falling apart, and right now we're trying to rebuild the team and bring everyone back together," Varsity Volleyball Coach Robyn Cascio-Jensen said. "It's been a real struggle for the last week and a half."

A week before the Metro Tournament, junior Janielle Bryan went out with a season-ending injury to her knee. Bryan was a critical player, so the girls had to switch positions and quickly adapt to playing them.

"It really wasn't that hard, but it took us a little while to get in the groove,"

senior Alyssa Berg said. "But once we got in the groove of things, we got it."

The excitement of being ranked for the first time in four years spread through the team.

"It's very exciting to be ranked, because nobody thought that Bellevue East could do it," Berg said.

With low fan turnout and a disbelieving student body, it was easy to see why the the girls wanted to win. As their ranking rose, so did the team's morale.

"Coming into the season, nobody thought we could do it, nobody thought we could be that good," Berg said.

Even with an injured teammate, the girls were still pumped to show their talent to the rest of the world.

"We liked coming out and proving everybody wrong," Berg said. "It is very exciting just to show everybody what we can do."

Ryan Flagg
Staff Writer

"Nobody thought that Bellevue East could do it." Alyssa Berg, 12

By the Numbers

13 players on the team

7 tournaments played in

3 coaches

1013 TOTAL KILLS

7 seniors on the team



olleyball Varsity Volleyball

While completing her final season on varsity, senior Alyssa Berg spikes the ball. Berg led the team in kills, hitting efficiency, and ace blocks.



Michael Crum

Varsity Volleyball

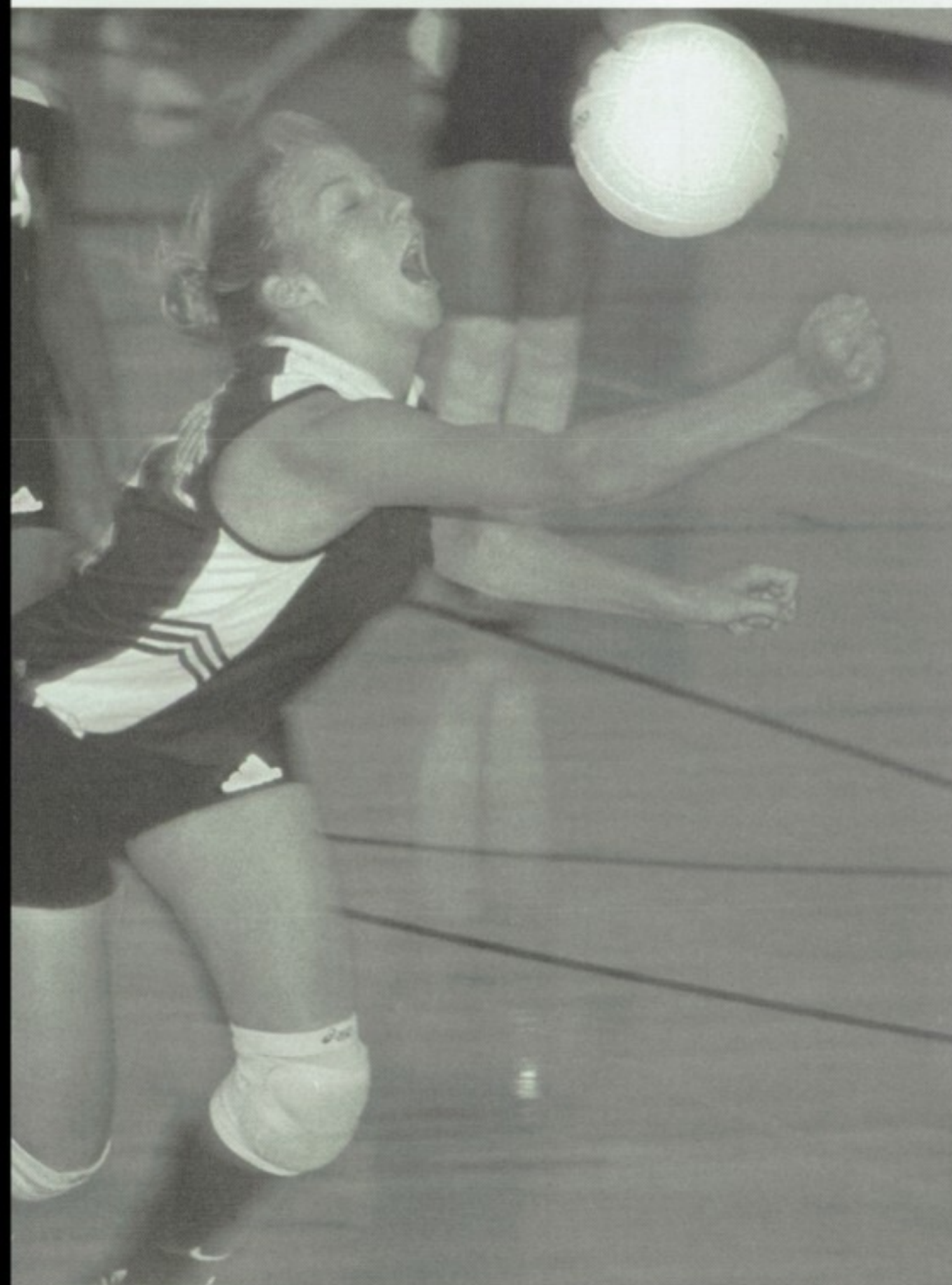
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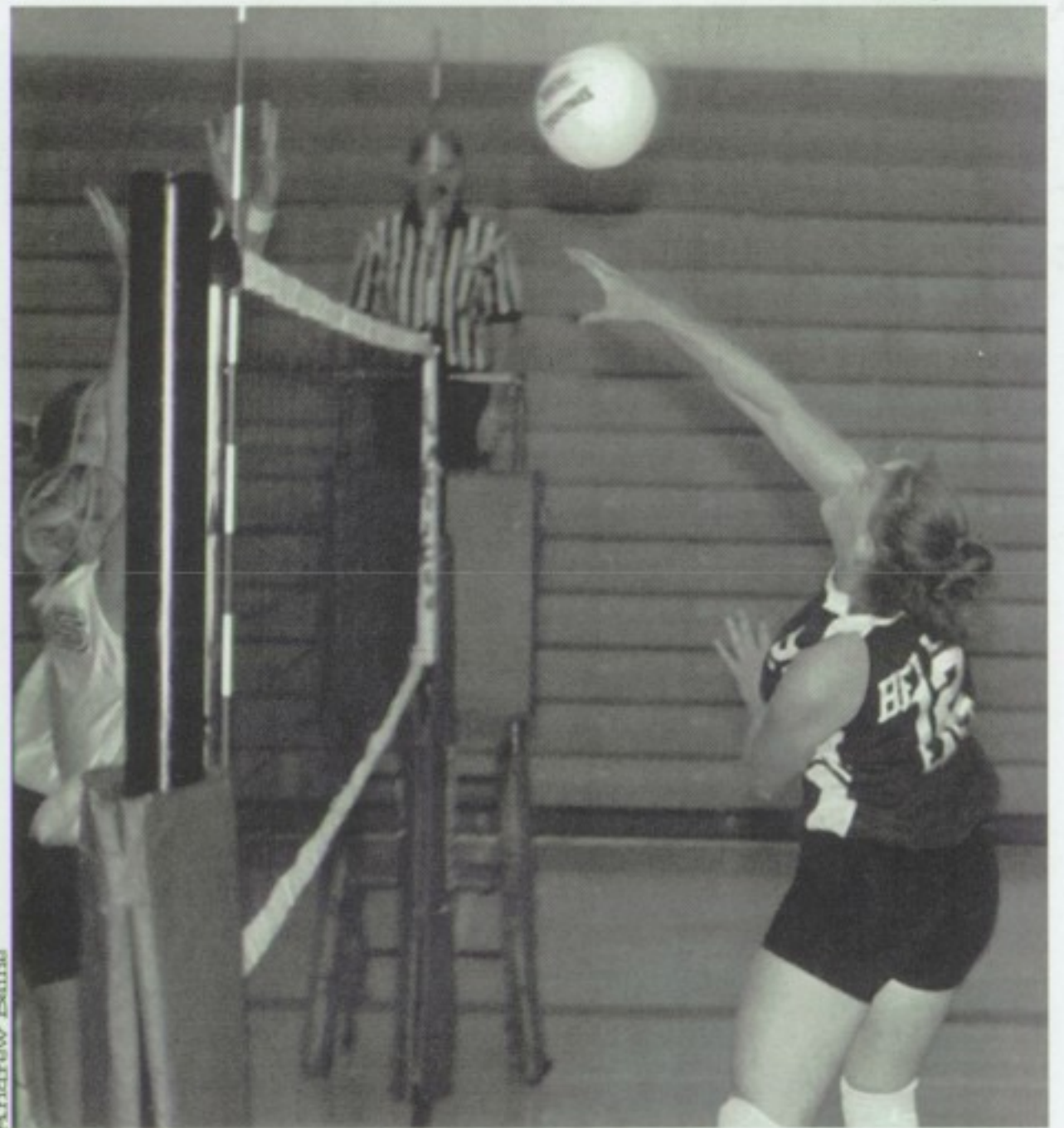
Lincoln High
2-15, 9-15
Omaha Westside
25-16, 19-25, 25-20, 25-17
Omaha Northwest
15-2, 15-5
Thomas Jefferson
15-5, 15-4
Omaha North
15-4, 15-3
Omaha Bryan
15-4, 15-7
Omaha Central
15-4, 15-6

Millard West
3-15, 14-16
Omaha Northwest
15-2, 15-5
Omaha Benson
15-0, 15-1
Omaha South
15-5, 15-3
Fremont
8-15, 15-7, 15-11
Papillion/LaVista
2-15, 5-15

Season Record 25-14



Andrew Bailie

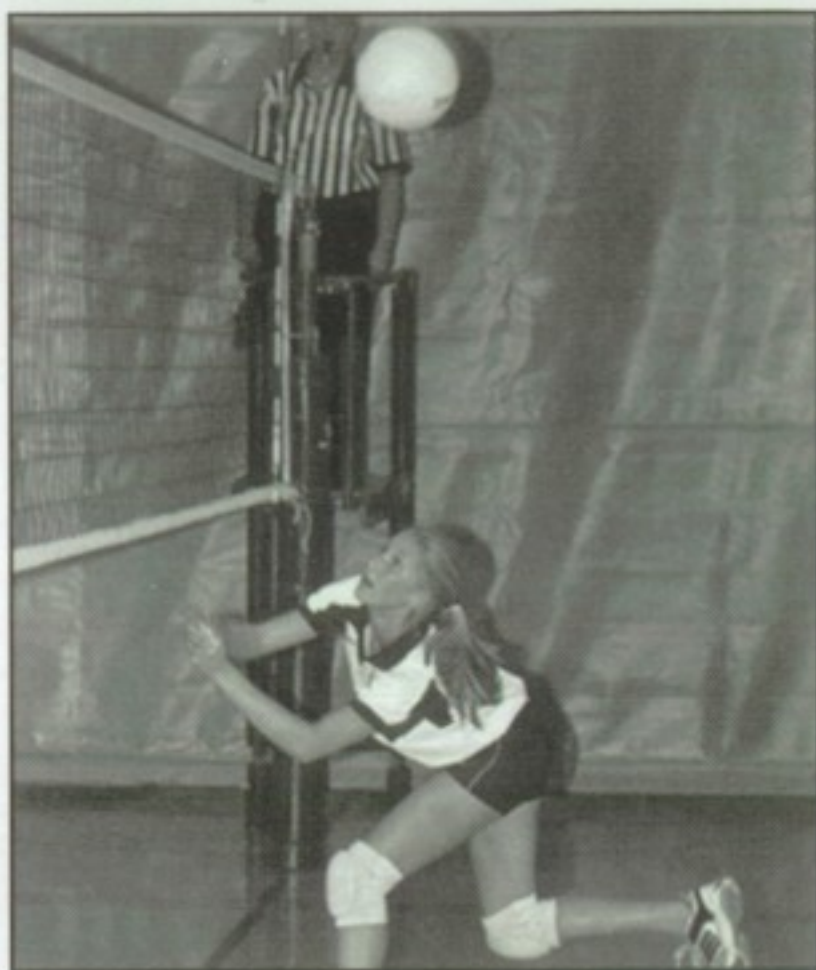


Andrew Bailie

Freshman Amanda Cook desperately dives to save the point and the ball from leaving the court. Cook was one of the leaders in digs with 229.

As the referee watches, senior Maggie Larkin spikes the ball. This was Larkin's third year on the varsity team; she also had 82 blocks.

JV/F Volleyball JV/F Vo



Mike Crum

Getting low, freshman Alisha Kettleson bumps the ball. Serving and returning were only two of Kettleson's responsibilities for the team.

During practice, sophomore Cami Hoogeveen stretches for the ball as sophomore Crystal Mendez prepares to serve. Hoogeveen was an outside hitter, while Mendez covered the right side.

Mike Crum



Team effort is key Volleyball team works together

The season may have ended for the JV volleyball team, but the shoes to fill were big.

With the varsity volleyball team ranked seventh during the 2002 season, it was up to the junior varsity team to follow their lead.

"I feel like I have a higher goal to reach for," freshman starter Jackie Chandler said. "Something to work for."

The coaches helped the girls, but according to coach Patty Daly,

it was not winning or losing but the desire to be better than the team before them that inspired the girls to be the best that they could be.

Desire was not the only thing required to make it on the varsity team; it also required mental strength.

"It's when a team is down by a few

points that mental strength is needed. A lot of players lose their heads under that kind of situation," Daly said. "Players need to keep calm and that is what helps to win the game."

Strength and desire were equal parts to the success of the volleyball team. Another key part was what the players learned as they played.

Chandler said, "I learned to play for the fun of the sport and not for the win or lose."

The JV volleyball team played their season well. With a game record of 19-5, the play-

ers worked as a well-oiled machine to bring themselves to a successful ending.

Chandler said, "We really came together as a team this year."

**"I learned to play for the fun of the sport and not for the win or lose."
Jackie Chandler,
9**

By the Numbers

13 players on the freshman team

14 players on the JV team

4 home JV matches

2 FRESHMAN TOURNAMENTS

12 total courts played on



Ryan Flagg
Staff Writer

Volleyball JV/F Volleyball

Volleyball

JV

Lincoln High/Westside
15-12, 15-12, 15-6, 15-7
Northwest/Thomas Jefferson
15-3, 15-3, 15-10, 15-1
Omaha North
15-12, 15-4
Omaha Bryan/Omaha Central
15-7, 15-8, 15-4, 15-7
Millard West/Omaha Northwest
15-0, 15-6, 13-15, 15-10, 3-15
Bellevue West
15-3, 15-4
Omaha South
15-0, 15-4
Fremont/Papillon LaVista
5-15, 14-16, 13-15, 4-15

score

Tournaments

Westside Invitational.....1st
Bellevue East Invitational.....3rd
Lincoln Northeast Invitational.....2nd
Lincoln High/Millard South Invitational.....4th

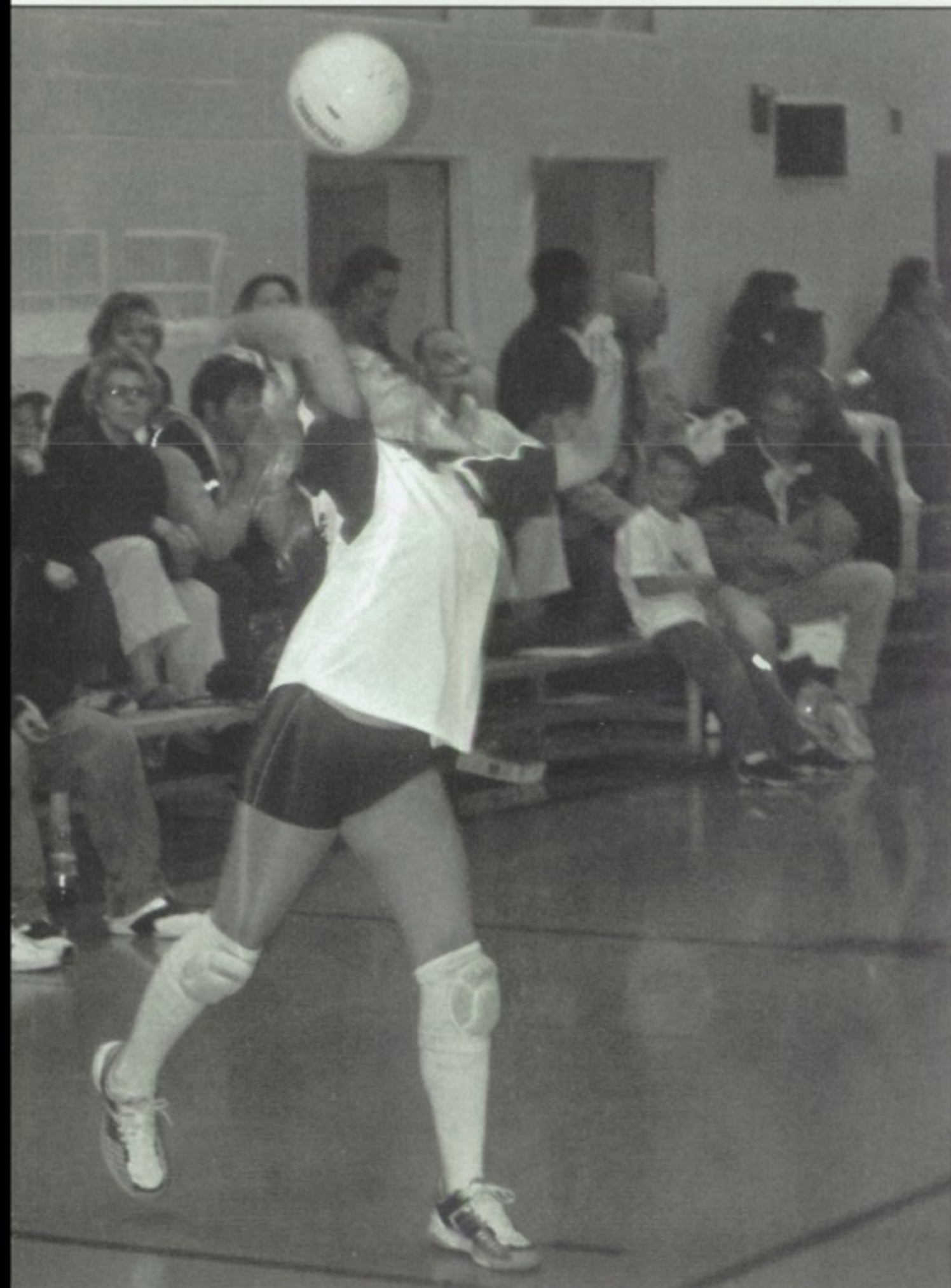
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LaVista
3-15, 3-15, 12-15, 2-15
Bellevue West
10-15, 15-12, 13-15, 15-0, 15-11
Omaha Roncalli
15-6, 15-9

Omaha Westside

6-15, 18-16, 11-15
St. Alberts
15-9, 16-14
Papillon
14-16, 6-15, 7-15, 5-15
Omaha Gross
14-16, 9-15, 5-15, 10-15
Abraham Lincoln
8-15, 2-15
Ralston
15-4, 15-6
Papillon
13-15, 1-15

board



Mike Crum



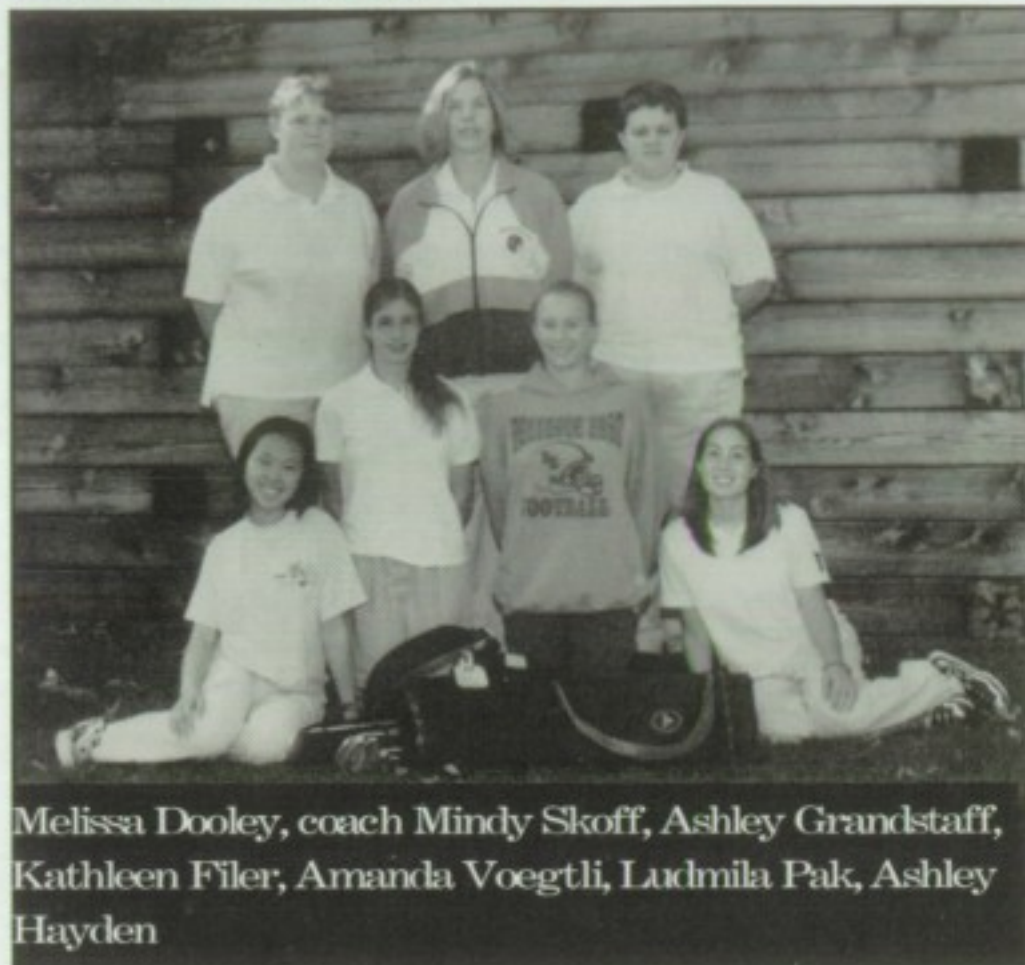
Mike Crum

Freshman Alisha Kettleson aggressively serves the ball to the opposing team. Kettleson was one of three starting servers on the JV team; she was also a right side hitter.

Freshman Amber Quinn serves the ball to the opposing team during a JV home game. Quinn was the middle hitter on the team.

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Girls Golf



Melissa Dooley, coach Mindy Skoff, Ashley Grandstaff, Kathleen Filer, Amanda Voegtli, Ludmila Pak, Ashley Hayden

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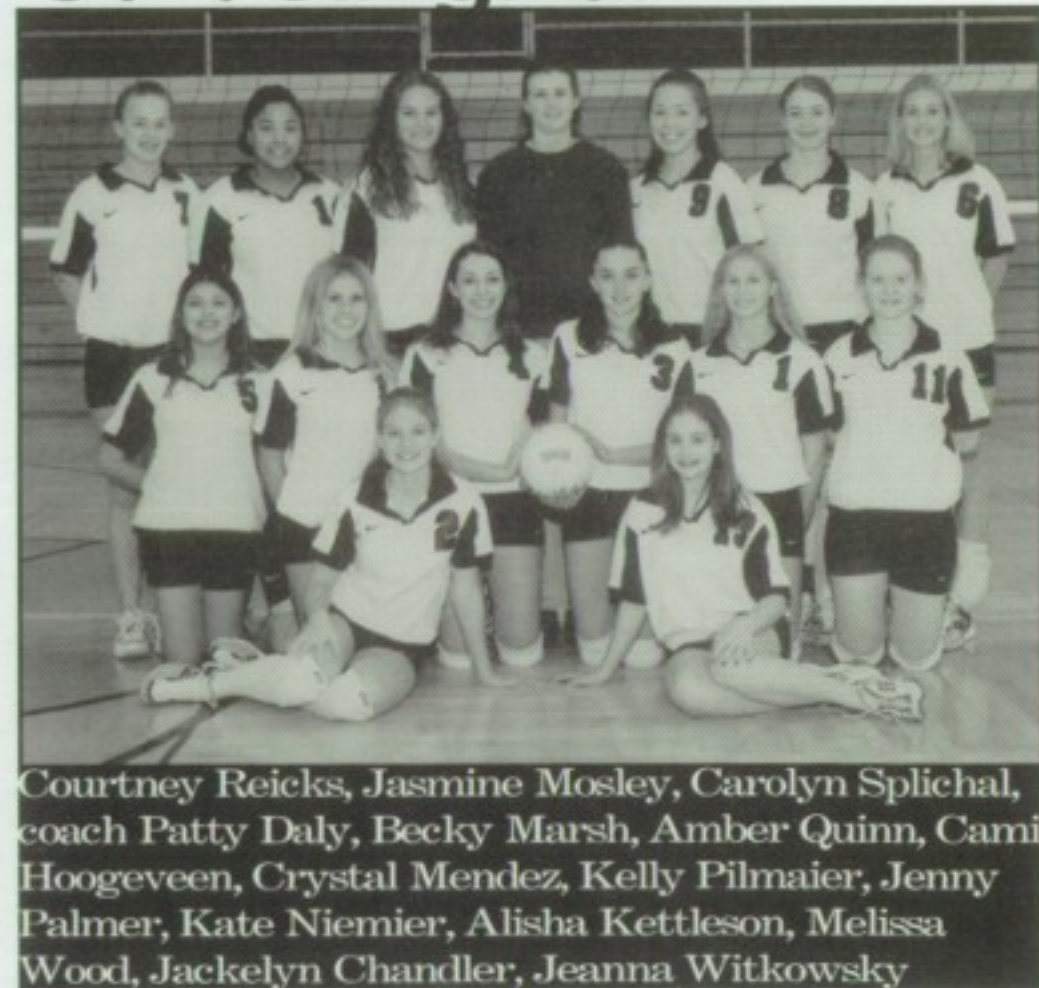
Volunteer coach Jake Mapes, Janielle Bryan, Alyssa Berg, coach Robin Cascio-Jensen, Maggie Larkin, Stephanie Shada, coach Carrie Novotny, Keshia Miller, Amber Quinn, Amanda Cook, Micayla Holtmeyer, Becky Marsh, Michelle Johnson, Jacque Ong, Jackelyn Chandler, Melyne Kessler

Varsity Softball



Coach Tina Holbrook, Ashley Struebing, Katie Homan, Mary Homan, Keri Root, Roz Breedlove, coach Chuck Rombach, Crisa Albright, Amanda Andrews, Kelly Maxwell, Audrey Homan, Emily Noble, Erika Albright, Laura Currier, Rachel Allen, Mallory Douglas, manager Jennifer Janca

JV Volleyball



Courtney Reicks, Jasmine Mosley, Carolyn Splichal, coach Patty Daly, Becky Marsh, Amber Quinn, Cami Hoogeveen, Crystal Mendez, Kelly Pilmaier, Jenny Palmer, Kate Niemier, Alisha Kettleon, Melissa Wood, Jackelyn Chandler, Jeanna Witkowsky

JV Softball



Coach Marty McLaughlin, Brittni Stephens, Treightin Yates, Mickala Carnley, Kelly Hosaple, Courtney Miller, coach Duane Carolus, Kayla Hall, Jessica Baker, Jerrica Kyger, Tara Billings, Amanda Heim, Laura Davis, Jessica Jungers, Stephanie Shank, Samantha Lee, Krista Wayne

Freshman Volleyball



Nicole Smith, Vanessa Acosta, coach Jodi Stueckrath, Heather Harden, Maggie Grange, Deborah Janssen, Autumn Huey, Maddie Doerr, Katie Adams, Christyna Wells, Sarah Hike, Autumn Chaplan, Jessica Northern, Katie Smith

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Freshman Football



Jake Nosal, Cole Tesar, AJ Macaitis, Tom McCoy, Jake Cunningham, Josh Belt, Phalen Jones, Tony Bland, Bryan Hess, coach Gary Wood, coach Butch Ballinger, Jon Sims, Kevin Cheairs, Steven Turner, Ryan Crum, Micah Laufenberg, Leon Spencer, coach Todd Porter, coach Phil Burlingame, Jesse Christensen, William Bryan, Jon Walker, Jake Aylard, Jake Merrill, Zach Johnson, Matt Lucid, Toni Schuster, John Buss, Jorge Gonzalez, Chris Callio, Nate Welsh, Steven Turner, Brandon Monasmith, Jason Reed, Kenny Harris, John Botsford, Michael Kerber

Varsity Tennis



Erik Nielsen, John Mullins, coach Doug Shaffer, Todd Simon, Jon Jameson, Patrick Carr, Danny Beckstead, Stattin Yates, Matt Holdaway

JV Tennis



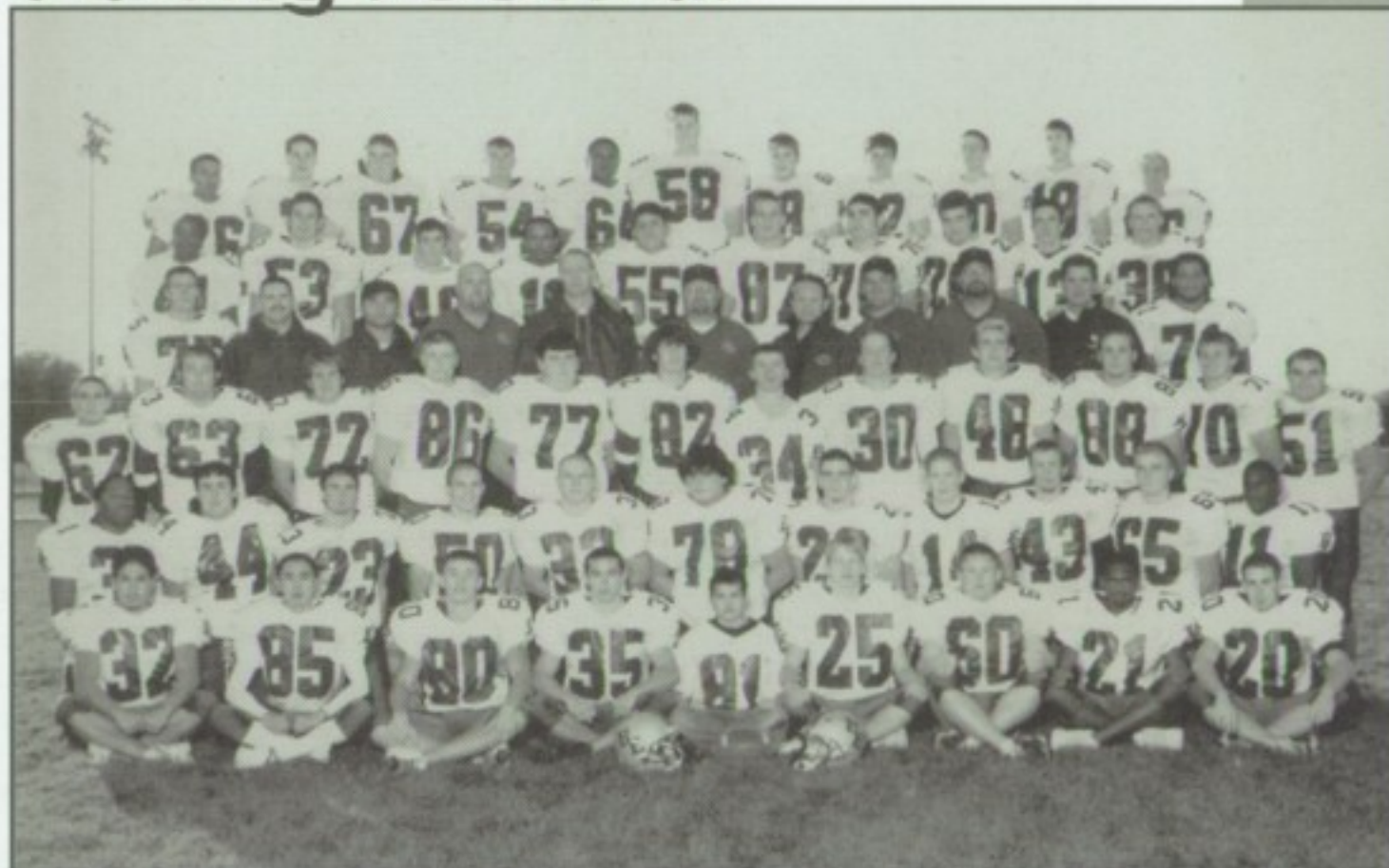
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JV Football



James Sons, Shawn Gach, Andrew Senske, Garrett Lintz, Justin Conley, Sam Gonzalez, Eric Stevens, Matt Burnham, Mike Ciriaco, John Johnson, Matt Ralston, Tony Kouba, Shane McConnell, coach Aaron Taylor, Don Dollinger, Mike Lynn, Steve Henri, Dain Busboom, Eric Holtmeyer, coach Brad Thimm, Brian Decinque, Chris Gillum, Sean Feagan, Steve Homan, Brandon Andrade, Chris Hundley, Nick Holcomb, Zack Heenan, Ed McCaskill, Dan Teselle, Josh Brown, Trevor Brown

Varsity Football



Nick Holcomb, Steve Henri, Sean Feagan, Dain Busboom, Matt Burnham, Garrett Lintz, Mike Ciriaco, Shane McConnell, Eric Holtmeyer, Eric Stevens, Zach Heenan, Ed McCaskill, Matt Becker, Dan Teselle, Chris Gillum, Brandon Andrade, Shawn Gach, Sam Gonzalez, Justin Conley, Don Dollinger, Mike Lynn, Greg Filer, coach Toby Higgs, coach Aaron Taylor, coach Rob Mason, coach Brad Thimm, coach Phil Burlingame, coach Todd Porter, coach Jerry Lovell, coach Butch Ballinger, coach Gary Wood, Bryan Bell, Matt Byous, Ben Bjerck, Greg Iske, Justin Mally, Jim Ingram, Matt Senske, Caleb Brown, Sean Douglas, Josh Conley, Joey Smith, Kyle Christensen, Brandon Pflueger, Ben Watson, Jared James, Mike Burton, Blake Yount, Kevin Carr, Ben Novak, Lance Shafer, Matt O'Hanlon, Tony Kouba, Danny Brown, Roger Washington, Richard Nakai, Jon Abueg, Aaron Foster, Dan Nakai, Jon Hilario, Andrew Pawlak, John Kumor, Robert Rands, Adam Brunner

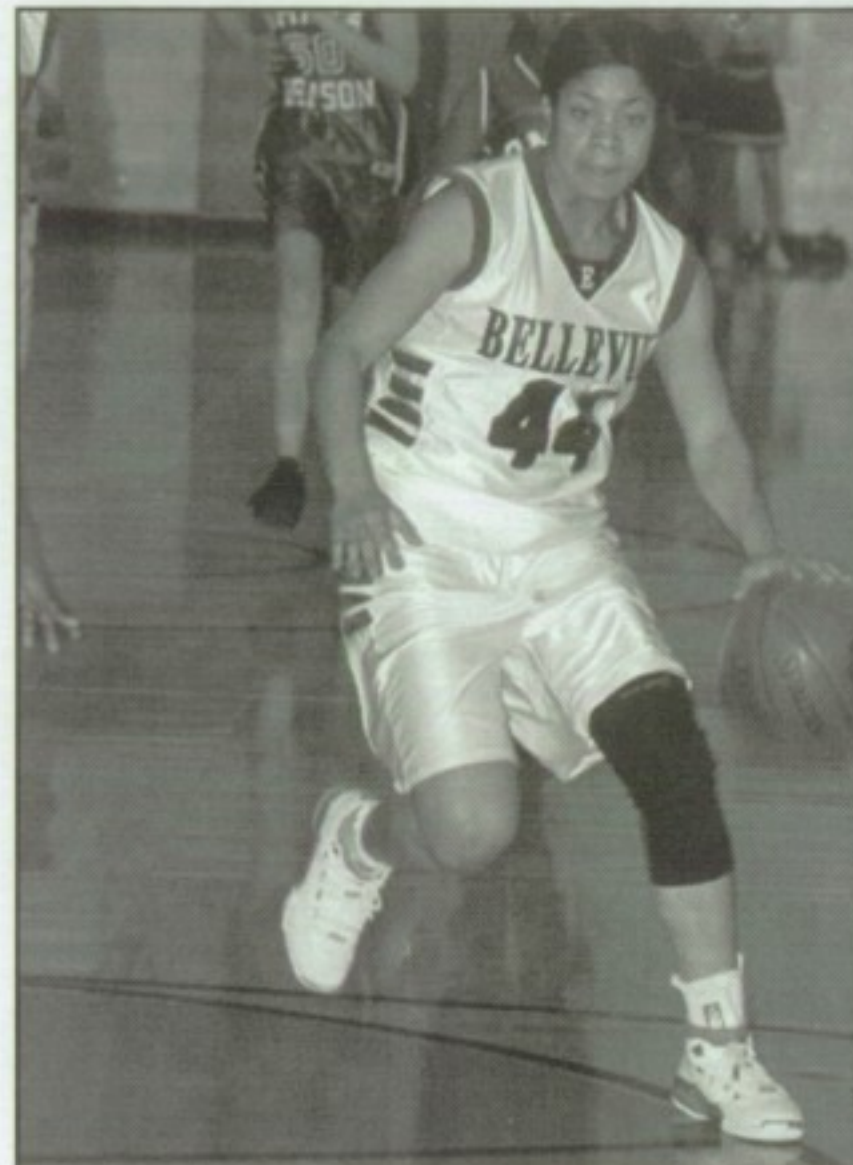
Varsity Girls Basketball

Girls Basketball

East	Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score	
46	Omaha Benson	39	45	Millard North	32
52	Omaha Northwest (OT)	50	44	BelleVue West	30
52	Omaha Bryan	24	40	Papillion/LaVista	37
31	Omaha Marian	56	Tournaments		
29	Omaha Central	49			
61	Omaha North	45	Lincoln Southeast Classic		
47	Millard South	39	East 44, North 48		
58	Omaha Burke	42	Districts		
61	Omaha South	39	East 52, Omaha North 53		
42	Millard West	62	Season Record 12-7		
69	Omaha Westside	57			

board

score



Stepping up

Younger members become large assets

Varsity girls basketball consisted of juniors and seniors, right? There were also starting sophomores and freshmen that played on varsity.

Freshmen enjoyed the experience of playing on varsity.

"It's fun how you get to meet older people and still have a lot of freshmen friends," freshman **Amanda Cook** said.

Sophomore **Chevelle Herring** was an underclassman who loved playing on varsity, but she had to work harder than most teammates to prove that she could play.

"It's always hard being my height and size playing basketball, so I have to step up," Herring said.

Sophomore **Katie Homan** said upperclassmen were hard to play with.

"The coach wants us to work harder to get ready for games and playing with people like my sister [Mary Homan] and Janielle [Bryan] who are really good players," Homan said.

Herring thought freshmen playing on varsity helped the team.

"I think they're doing a good job fill-

ing in the spots we lost and by next year they will be able to continue to fill those spots of more lost seniors," Herring said.

Junior **Janielle Bryan** felt that the freshmen had a great experience playing on varsity.

"I feel that the freshmen stepped up this year and I enjoy playing with them," Bryan said.

Underclassmen affected the team in a good way in games or just at practice.

Junior **Nikia**

Armstrong felt that all the underclassmen supported the team.

"They have done some good things in the game to help us," Armstrong said.

Bryan agreed that the underclassmen were a big help.

"As a team, they have made us focus on fundamental skills," Bryan said.

"They're doing a good job filling in the spots we lost."
Chevelle Herring,
10

By the Numbers

14 players

4 seniors

7 home games

11 years **Scott Jensen** had coached

8 coaches



Nicole Mathis
Staff Writer

Varsity Girls Basketball

Dribbling the ball, junior **Janielle Bryan** makes her way down court. Bryan was recovering from a knee injury during part of the season.

Playing defense, freshman **Jasmine Mosley** tries to distract the opponent. The girls won the game against Omaha South 61-39.

Freshman **Rebecca Marsh** begins to go after the ball as a Westside opponent watches. Marsh was one of five freshmen who played on varsity.



Michael Crum

Burgundy-Ohle



Burgundy-Ohle



Michael Crum



Scott Seaba

Looking for a teammate, freshman **Ja'Quawna Watts** prepares to pass the ball. The team practiced after school to get ready for games.

Trying to get closer to the basket, senior **Mary Homan** moves forward while sophomore **Chevelle Herring** stays open. The girls won the game against Bellevue West 44-30.

JV/F Girls Basketball JV/F Girls

Freshman Melissa Wood reaches for a rebound before the Papillion/La Vista game. Team members always practiced during pre-game warm-ups.



Michael Crum

Freshman Jane Mathew passes the ball across the court to her teammate Rachel Lowery. Mathew was one of four forwards on the freshman team.



Joey Anderson

Looking to pass the ball, freshman Kate Niemier tries to get around the opponent. The JV girls lost the game against Omaha Central 38-42.



Joey Anderson

Faking out the Bellevue West opponent, freshman Treightin Yates passes her teammate the ball. The JV girls won the game 45-22.

Before one of the games begins, freshman Jess Powers stretches for the ball. Although she played mostly for JV, Powers sometimes participated in varsity games.



Basketball JV/F Girls Basketball

Girls Basketball

East	JV	Opponent	Score
46	Oyaha Northwest	22	43
42	Oyaha Benson	53	58
54	Oyaha Bryan	24	36
29	Oyaha Marian	44	48
38	Oyaha Central	42	45
43	Oyaha North	40	36
42	Millard South	25	

Season Record 8-5

score

board

By the Numbers

12 Players on JV

2 Invitationals played in

970 Total points scored by JV

11 Players on the Freshman team

4 total coaches

More than just a game

Struggles and triumph help the girls' skills

Basketball games weren't always about "just having fun." When they were out on the court, some team members found the games to be stressful.

Sophomore **Brittney Blakeley** said that learning and improving was difficult.

"The hardest part of basketball is trying to give constructive criticism," Blakeley said. "I hate when people take it the wrong way."

But even so, players will always make mistakes.

"I don't like when I mess up because that means that I messed up the whole team and even that part of the game," sophomore **Tara Billings** said.

After they gave their all during practices, not winning was hard on the members.

"It can get really frustrating when we lose," freshman **Amber Quinn** said.

The atmosphere of the game also presented pressures.

"The crowd and the coach both put pressure on us when we're on the court," freshman **Jess Powers** said.

The girls agreed that the games were still filled with exciting moments.

"It's an adrenaline rush. I play point so I like being a leader and just having fun with it," Blakeley said.

While practicing and working together, the team members

formed a bond.

"I like being with friends most of all," Billings said. "We get to have fun with the game, especially when we win."

Freshman **Amanda Cook** thought that the season would help her in the future.

"These competitions help us improve for varsity," Cook said.

"I like being a leader and just having fun with it."

Brittney Blakeley, 10

Kaiti Jorgenson
Sports Co-Editor

Varsity Boys Basketball

Junior Andrew Mathews attempts to block the shot made by the opponent. It was Mathews' second year playing on the varsity team.

As the opponent from Millard West passes, junior Todd Simon keeps his eyes on the ball. It was Simon's third year playing on the varsity team.

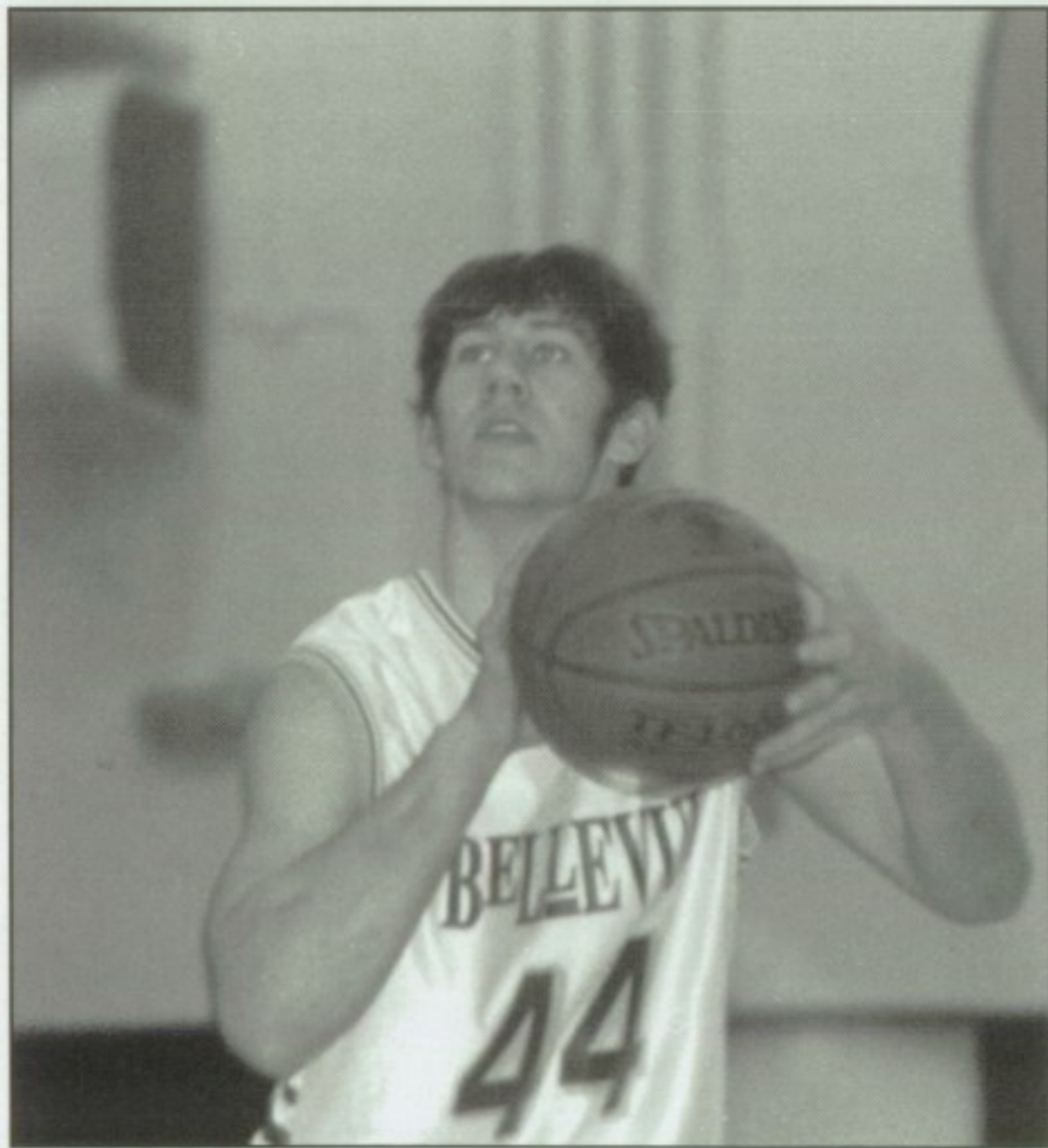
During the East/West game, senior Brad Douglas speeds past the rival. The boys lost 50-62 after a hard-fought game.



Mike Crum



Mike Crum



Mike Crum



Beginning to shoot a free throw, senior Matt Senske attempts to make a point for the team. Senske played basketball all four years of his high school career.

Running down court, junior Quentin Muckle and senior Brad Douglas keep away from the Omaha South opponent. The boys won the game 67-38.

Varsity Boys Basketball

Boys Basketball

score

board

East	Opponent	Score
53	Omaha Benson	69
57	Omaha Northwest	39
57	Creighton Prep	36
56	Columbus	41
56	Omaha Central	54
51	Fremont (OT)	47
54	Omaha North	55
43	Millard South	60
46	Omaha Burke	48
67	Omaha South	38
60	Millard West	44

37	Omaha Westside	49
49	Millard North	51
50	Bellevue West	62
58	Papillion/LaVista	46

Metro Tournament
East 51, Omaha Benson 56

Districts
East 63, Omaha South 45
East 48, Lincoln High 59

Season Record 10-11



By the Numbers

9th - the highest the team ranked

2 tournaments played in

6 seniors

14 players

5 coaches

2nd year Jason Ryan had coached

Cheering 'em on

Crowd members create an atmosphere to play in

According to Webster's New College Dictionary, the definition of a crowd is a group of people having something in common. The crowd at a varsity boys' basketball game was just that.

Coach Jason Ryan said, "An ideal crowd is one that is positive and engages in the game. They bring enthusiasm to the players."

Junior Quentin Muckle said that no matter how many people came, 10 people were the crowd. These were his "Head Chieftains" and were the ones who cheered when the team was 15 points ahead.

"Other people in the crowd just seem to have a muzzle on and don't exactly try to get it off," Muckle said.

Muckle enjoyed the opposing crowd more.

Muckle said, "They say rude stuff to the refs and players and that gets me ready to play."

Junior Todd Simon said that home and opposing crowds were similar.

"Both crowds bring a certain characteristic to the game that I really can't point out," Simon said. "It's just there."

There were many games that left an impression.

Coach Ryan remembered winning at the "Bird Cage" at Creighton Prep.

"The fans at Creighton Prep are very, very rowdy and very involved in the game," Ryan said.

Another game Coach Ryan recalled was the East/West game.

"It's probably one of the top atmospheres in Nebraska as far as ball games," Ryan said. "It's a great atmosphere to play in."

**"It's probably one of the top atmospheres in Nebraska as far as ball games."
Jason Ryan, head coach**

Chassidy Veik
Academics Co-editor

JV/F Boys Basketball JV/F Boys

Joey Anderson



Sophomore **Brian Johnson-Strawn** looks for an open teammate to pass the ball to. It was Johnson-Strawn's second year playing basketball for East.

Just improving skills

Personal skills get better even if their record didn't

Although they did not do well as a team, the freshman boys basketball team did well individually.

Freshman **Josh Smith** said, "Individually I think each of us have gotten better over the year, and that's our main goal."

Keeping this goal in mind, other team members had different goals.

Freshman **Caleb Wampler** planned to make varsity by his junior year.

"I think it's possible," Wampler said. "That's my goal and I am going to stick to it."

Freshman **Chris Powell**, while planning to make varsity, wanted to play basketball at an even higher level.

"I just want to play college ball after high school," Powell said. "I love the game, playing sports, being athletic."

The boys' JV team did better later in the year than at the start of the season.

Junior **Tony Kouba** said, "I think we've been improving. At the beginning we weren't playing very well, we're playing better now. We're taking on some good teams and pushing their limits."

Kouba said that they weren't able to overcome many teams.

"We've been in a lot of close games but haven't been quite able to finish them," Kouba said.

Junior **Joey Smith** agreed with Kouba.

"It's been rough, but as the season went on we started to play better and have played a lot closer games," Smith said.

Sophomore **Tim Burton**, who played JV and varsity, played JV as a freshman and said that the game got easier.

"I'm more used to the level of play and have more experience," Bur-

ton said.

Players on the freshman and JV teams intended to work on their skills, weightlift, and go to the gym to improve their game.

As for Smith, he continued to improve throughout the season.

Smith said, "I've been playing harder, making better decisions, and becoming more of a leader."

**"We've been in a lot of close games."
Tony Kouba,
11**

By the Numbers

1210 total points scored by JV & F

10 players on JV

8 freshman home games

5 coaches

20 PLAYERS ON FRESHMAN TEAM

Bob Hensley

Staff Writer

Basketball JV/F Boys Basketball

Boys Basketball

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43	Omaha Northwest	52	47
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49	Fremont	57	26
50	Millard South	57	28
52	Omaha Burke	68	40
40	Omaha South	38	60
69	Omaha North	62	25
44	Omaha Bryan	48	27
54	Millard West	57	35
55	Omaha Westside	66	34
52	Bellevue West	69	
45	Papillion/LaVista	57	

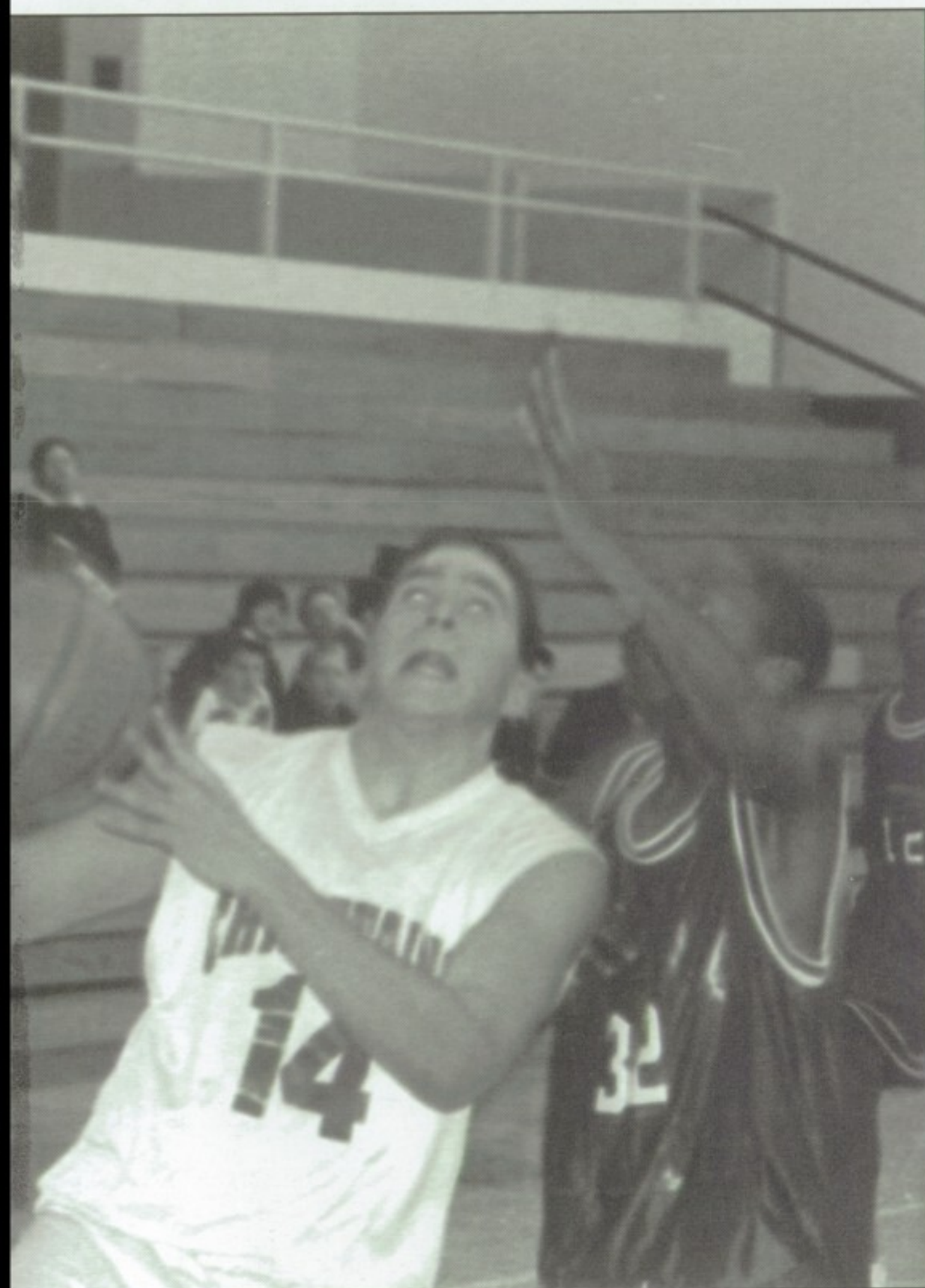
Freshman

Platteview	49
Papillon	52
St. Alberts	47
Omaha Bryan	75
Omaha Westside	58
Omaha Gross	56
Omaha Benson	59
Ralston	70
Bellevue West	80
Abraham Lincoln	48
LaVista	80
Omaha Northwest	84
Thomas Jefferson	54

JV Season Record 3-14

Freshman Season Record 0-14

board



Joey Anderson

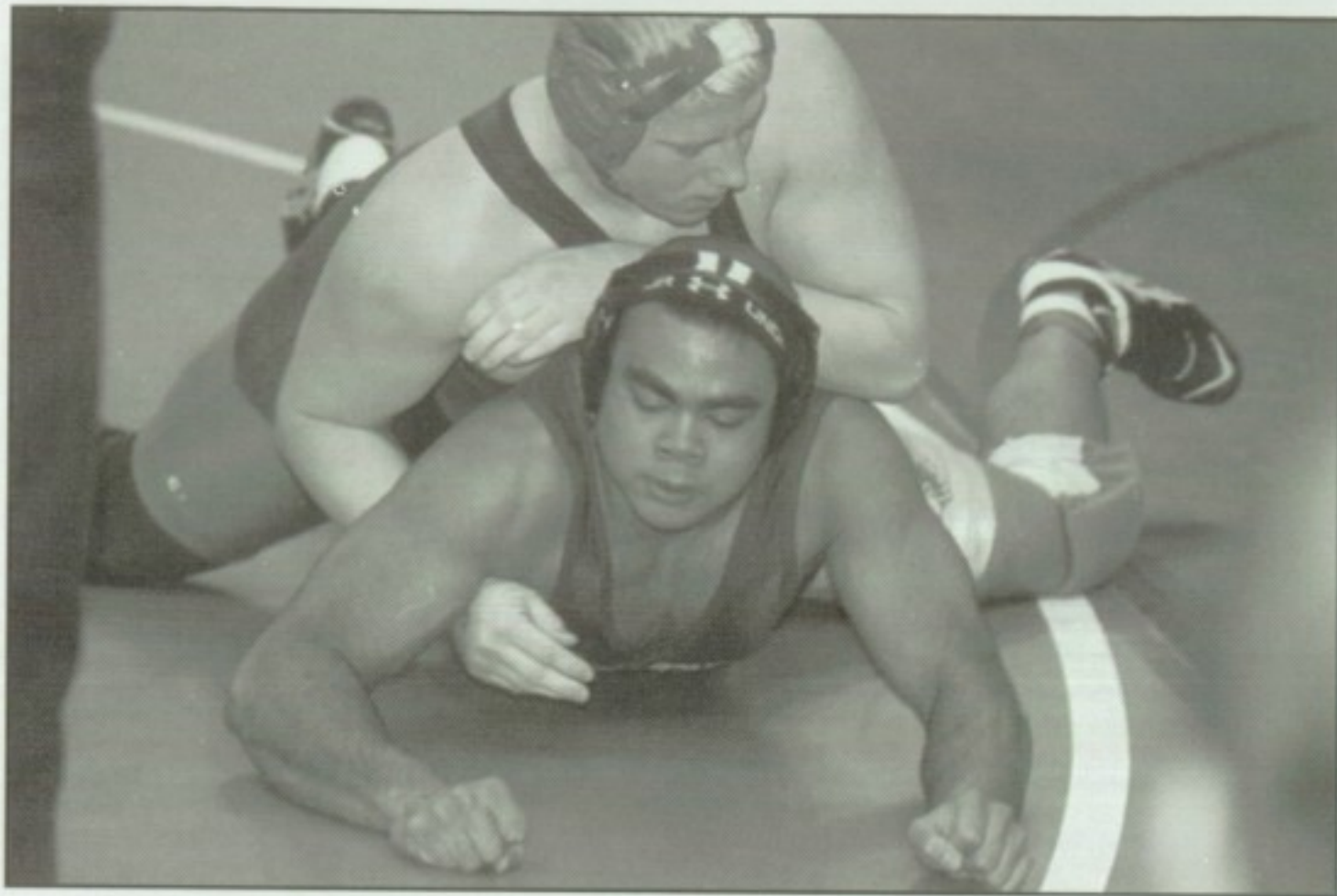


Joey Anderson

Going for a layup, sophomore Phillip Bailey keeps his eyes on the basket. The reserve team won the game against Omaha South 40-38.

Communicating with a teammate, sophomore Tyler Cloyd looks to pass the ball. Players said that communication with coaches and other teammates was essential.

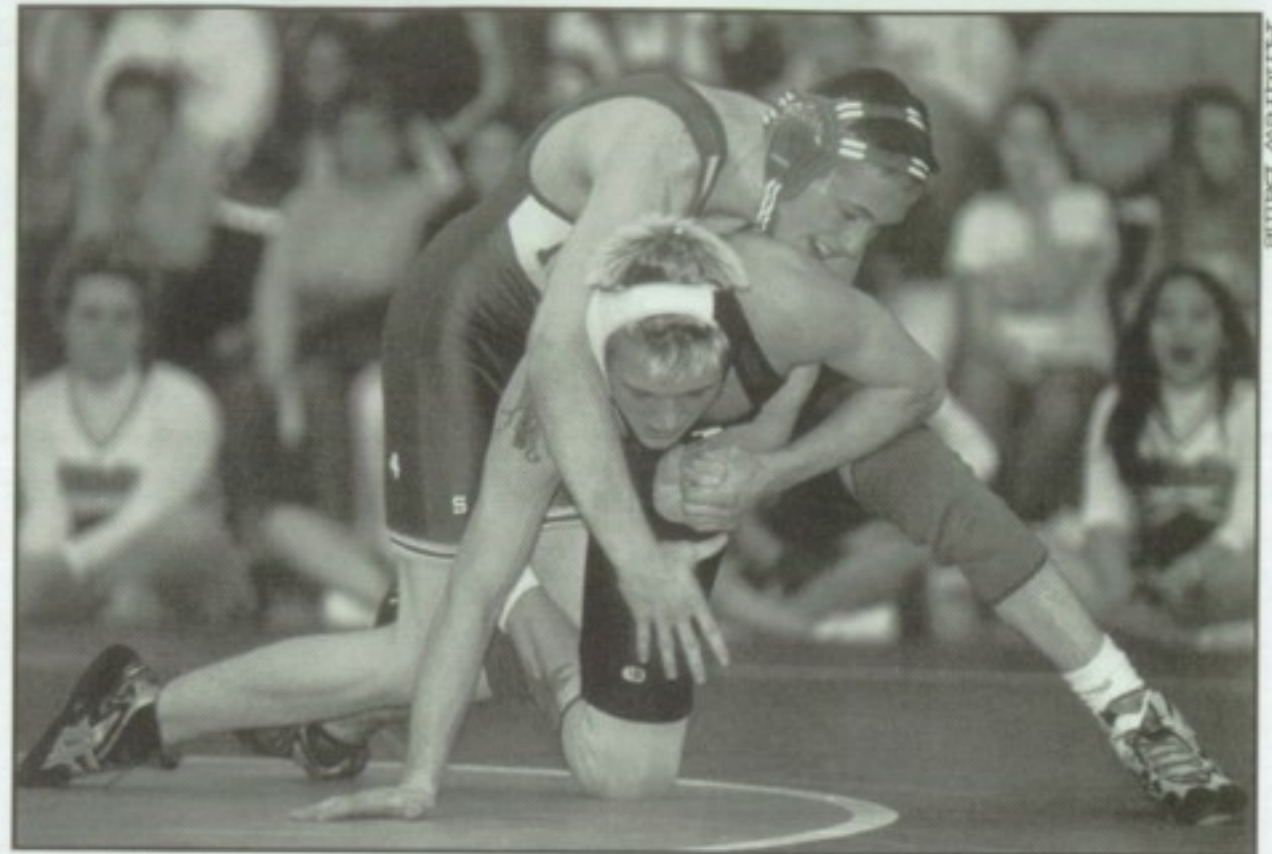
Wrestling Wrestling Wres



Scott Swahn

Senior Nathan Bridges tries to get back on his feet at the state competition. Bridges wrestled for East all four years of high school.

During the first home match, senior Jesse Pendley attempts to get out of a hold by his opponent. East won the dual against Omaha North.



Andrew Easton

High expectations

Even with experience, wrestlers still strive to improve

The Chieftain Wrestling team started the season with high expectations. After finishing tenth at the State Wrestling Tournament in 2002, the Chieftains looked to carry some momentum into the 2003 season.

Coach **Todd Porter** said that the team was a serious contender.

Porter said, "We've established ourselves as a bona-fide top ten team. Our goal is to get in the top five."

The goal was reachable for the team, who was returning a handful of state qualifiers.

Senior **Matt Byous** said that the team from top to bottom had lots of potential.

"We've got a lot of seniors and a lot of people who are stepping up who are underclassmen," Byous said.

A problem the team had to overcome was their endurance. Senior **Dan Nakai** said that sometimes the team would tend to wear down during

matches.

"We're working on strength and endurance," said Nakai. "It looks like we're really tired at the end of our matches."

The team overcame their problems and recorded wins in duals over Omaha North, Omaha Central, and Bellevue West.

Their success continued in tournaments when the team placed in the top five in the Verk Eklfelt tournament and at the Bellevue West Invitational. They also traveled to Bonner Springs, Kansas, to compete in a tournament.

Senior **Mike Burton** said that looking back on the season, it was an overall success.

Burton said, "We hope we can repeat the success we had last year at state. We have the talent."

**"We've got a lot of seniors and a lot of people who are stepping up."
Matt Byous, 12**

Nick Gregoire
Staff Writer

(quotes courtesy of Carlos Figueroa)

By the Numbers

21 years since

East won districts

4 years **Todd**

Porter had been head coach

3 wrestlers

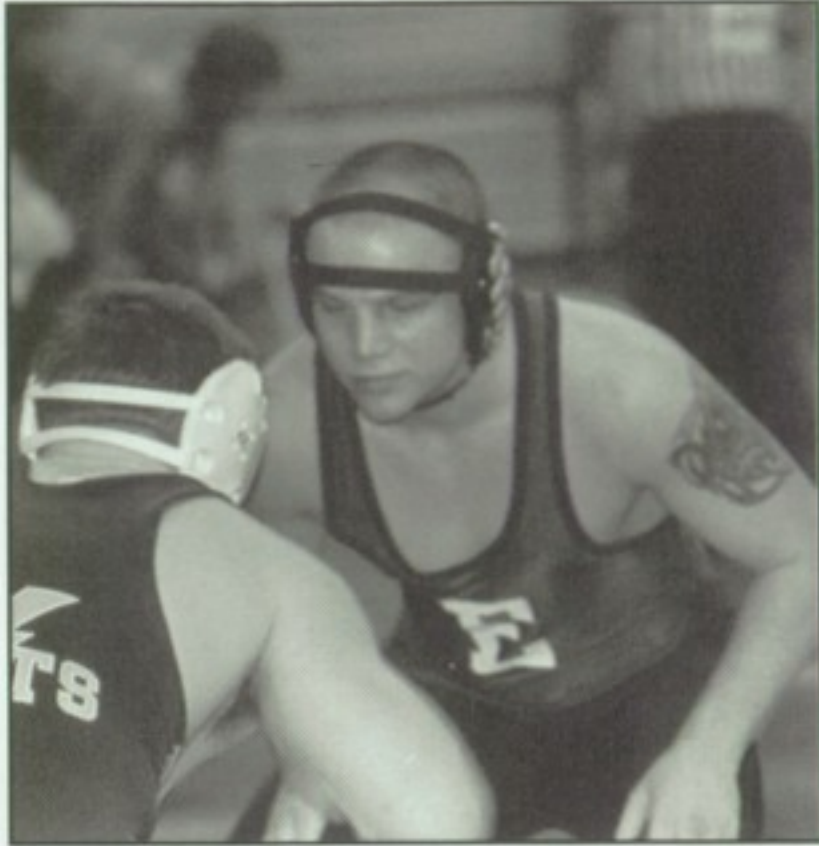
placed **3rd** at state

12 WRESTLERS
WENT TO STATE

Placed **6th** as a team at state

Wrestling Wrestling Wrestling

Waiting to make his move, senior Kevin Carr and his opponent begin their wrestling match at state. Carr placed sixth overall in his weight class.



Scott Saebha

Wrestling

board

Millard North
30-43
Omaha North
46-24
Bellevue West
47-27, 38-30
Omaha Central
78-6

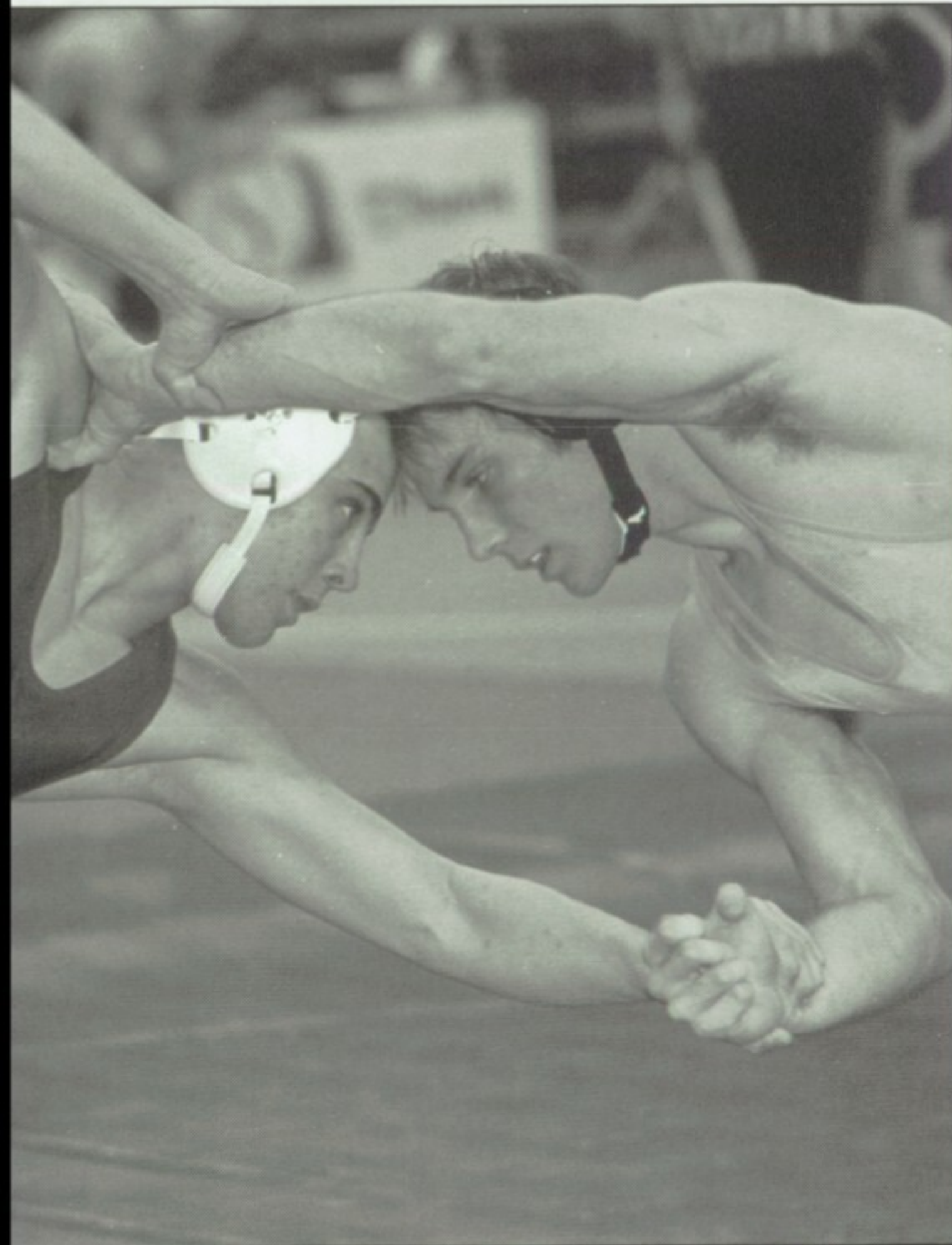
Invitationals

Vern Ekfelt
3rd
Chieftain Classic
3rd
Bellevue West
6th

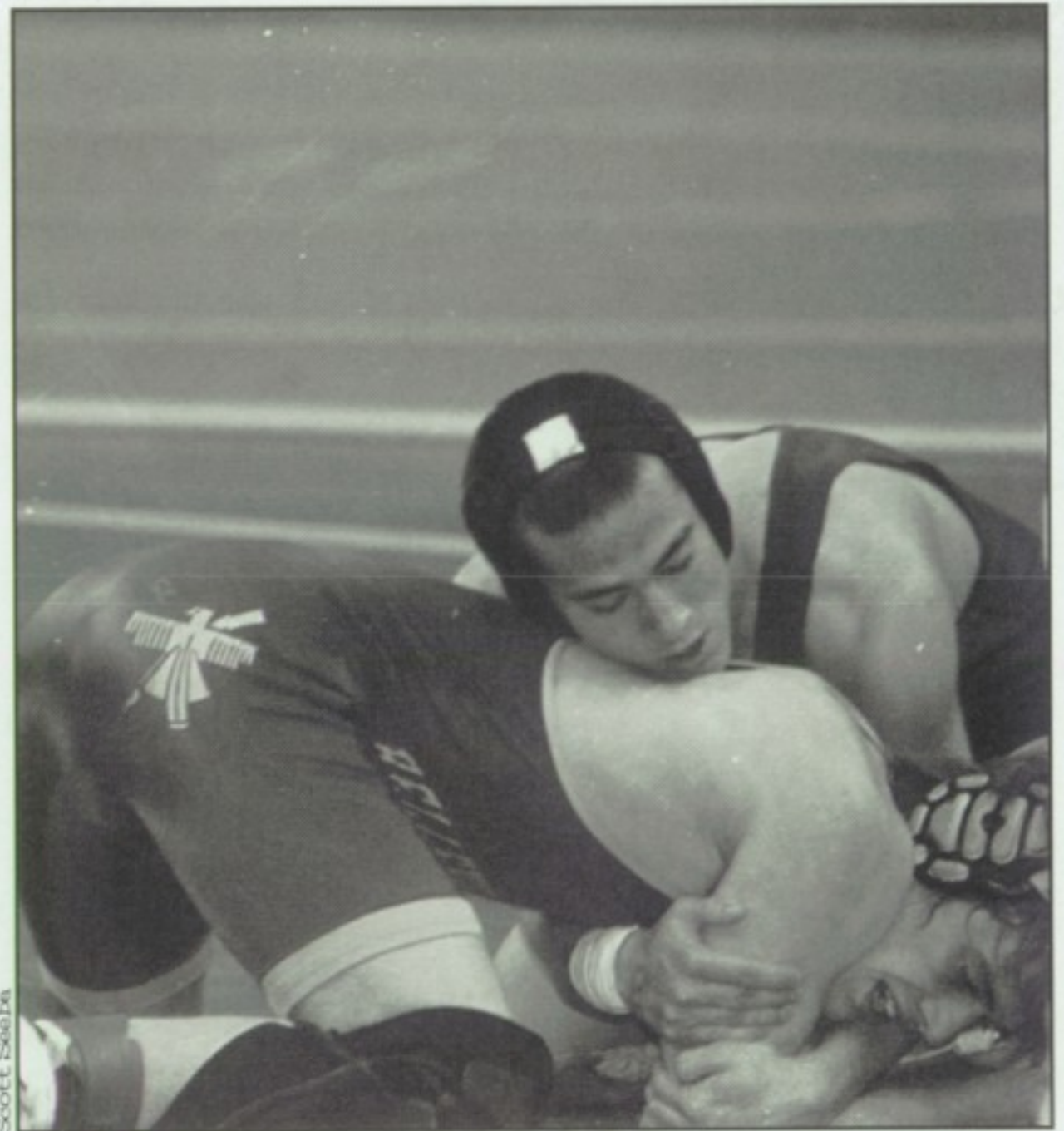
Bonner Springs
4th
Metro @ North
5th
JV Bellevue East
2nd
Skutt
3rd
Metro Duals
6th
JV Bellevue West
4th
Districts
1st
State
6th



score



Scott Saebha



Scott Saebha

Keeping his balance, senior Matt Byous and his opponent struggle during their match. Being able to wrestle at state was many of the members' goal during the season.

Holding down the Bellevue West wrestler, senior Dan Nakai attempts to win the match. Nakai ended up placing third at the state competition.

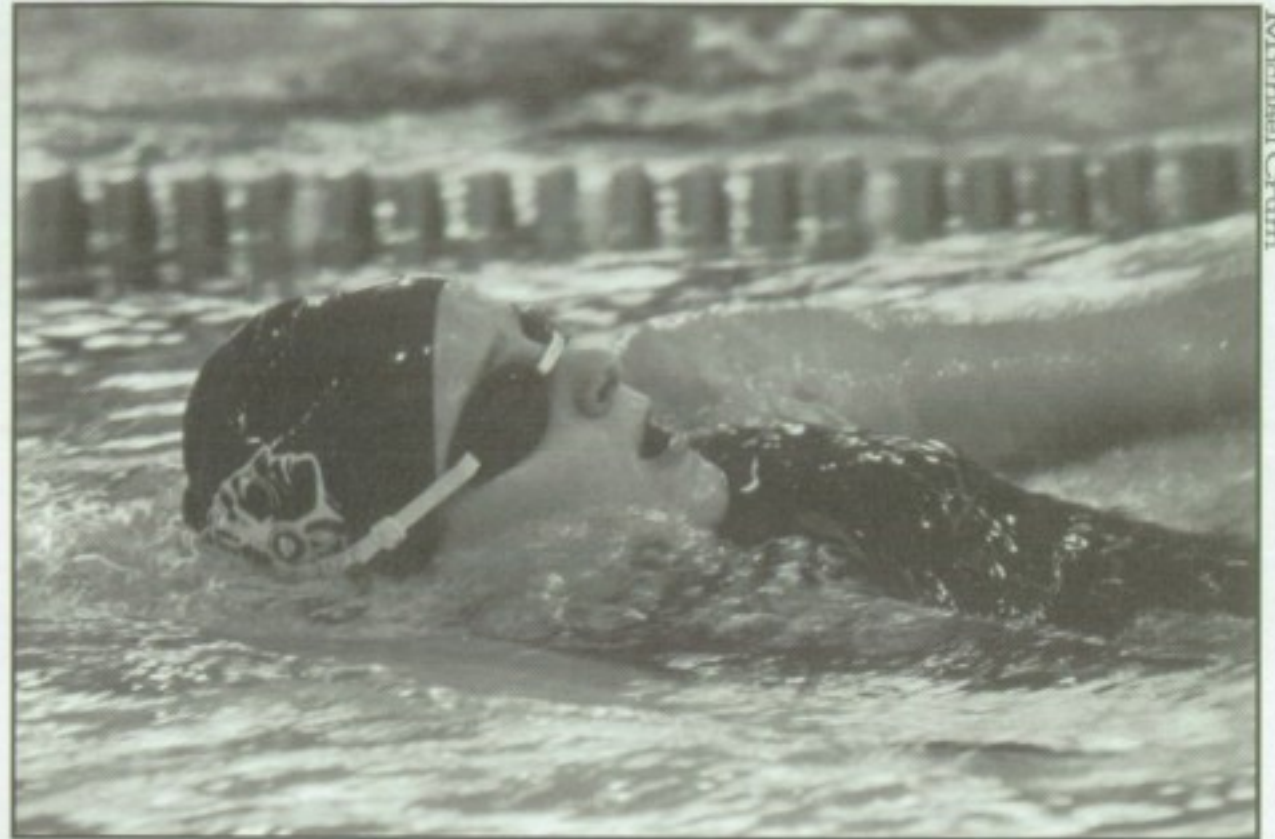
Swimming Swimming Swim



Scott Seaman

Swimming down her lane, junior **Danita Gomez** tries to improve her time. It was Gomez's third year on the swim team.

Performing the backstroke, senior **Ariana Astley** attempts to take the lead. Astley was one of the many captains on the swim team.



Michael Crum

Beating the clock

Excitement pushes swim team to improve their times

Swimming reminds most people of hot, lazy summer days, but it's far from it for the swimming team.

Even though they had to go to practices and compete regularly, most team members still enjoyed the sport.

Junior **Danita Gomez** just told herself to get motivated before meets.

"Excitement and pressure push things that go into your head out, and the pressure says go, go, go," Gomez said.

On the other hand, sophomore **Victoria Stanback** said that she got scared before meets.

"I really get nervous," Stanback said. "I have to use the bathroom, I shiver, and yawn."

Swimming was exciting for the swimmers because funny things happened unexpectedly.

"The other day fog rolled in then stopped, and we hid in the fog, and the

team disappeared," senior captain **Araian Astley** said.

The swim team even had an award called the Jimmy Award, which was given to someone who messed up, did something silly, or forgot a race.

Senior captain **Amanda Tabler** almost got the Jimmy Award.

"I got half way through the National Anthem, I got distracted and forgot the words," Tabler said.

People joined and enjoyed swimming for different reasons.

Freshman **Autumn Shapland** loved the teamwork.

"I like getting wins for the team and beating my time in the 200 free style relay," Shapland said.

Astley said that friends played a big part when competing.

"It's a really big achievement and it's exciting when you beat your time and your team supports you," Astley said.

**"I like getting wins for the team."
Autumn Shapland, 9**

By the Numbers

13 swimmers

7 invitationals

3 coaches

9 PEOPLE SWAM AT STATE

7 seniors

Nicole Mathis
Staff Writer

Swimming Swimming Swimming

Sophomore Janine Witzenburg lunges forward while doing the butterfly stroke at one of the home meets. There were a total of eight meets during the regular season.



Scott Seaba

Swimming

board

score

Girls

- Omaha Bryan
111-42
- Omaha Roncalli
107-55
- Omaha North
60-117
- Omaha Northwest
86-90
- Millard West
43-137
- Omaha Benson
105-38

Invitationals

- Girls**
- Omaha Bryan
3rd
 - Lewis Central
6th
 - Metro
12th
 - State
did not place

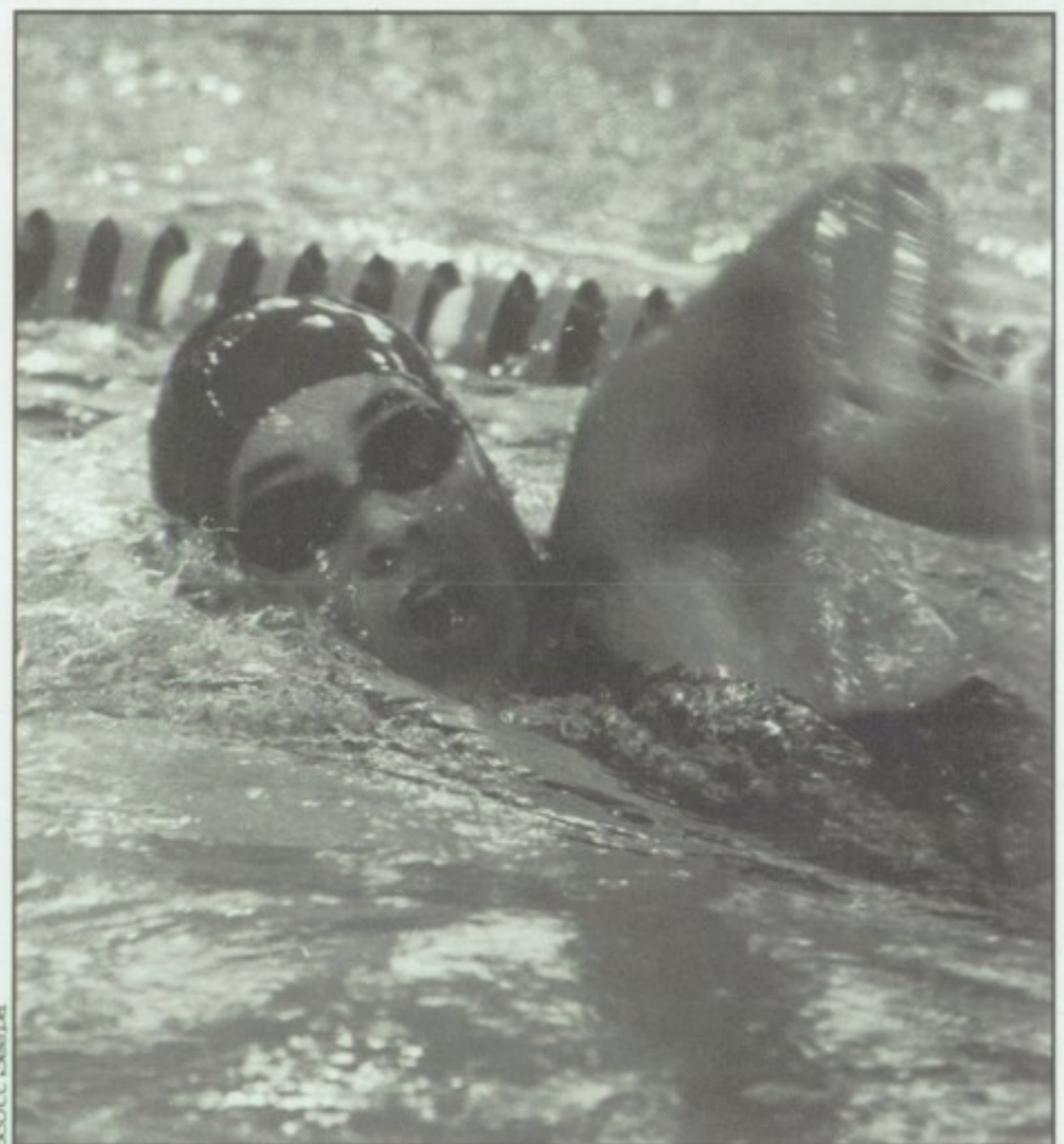
- Boys**
- Omaha Bryan
6th
 - Lewis Central
9th
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did not place

Boys

- Omaha Bryan
28-91
- Omaha Roncalli
73-45
- Omaha North
56-92
- Omaha Northwest
61-95
- Millard West
29-136
- Omaha Benson
89-26
- Lewis Central
66-90



Scott Seaba



Scott Seaba

Keeping up with the rest of the group freshman Gregory Collins tries to win his heat. It was necessary to win the heat in order to qualify for the following round.

As she finishes the race, senior Lecia Robinson takes in a breath of air. Robinson was one of nine swimmers to compete at state.)

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Freshman Boys Basketball B



Justin Bentley, Josh Schaff, coach Kent Crossley, Zach Oehm, Jesse Christensen, Tim Kruger, Stephen Fuller, Ngor Acouth, Chris Callao

JV Boys Basketball



Coach Doug Schaefer, Tyler Cloyd, Joey Smith, Chris Johnson, Justin Conley, Tony Kouba, coach Brad Thimm, Robert Rands, Pete Colina, Tim Burton, Rory Cobbs, Avery Walker, Phillip Bailey

Freshman Boys Basketball A



Josh Smith, Cole Tesar, coach Dave Wallace, Caleb Wampler, Pete Kostrunek, Ryan DeBuhr, Pete Lacosse, Will Bryan, Josh McKean

Reserve Boys Basketball



Alan Castro, coach Marty McLaughlin, Eric Holtmeyer, Nick Smith, James Massengill, Brian Johnson-Strawn, Shane McConnell, Kyle Crick

Varsity Boys Basketball



Coach Gary Wood, coach Doug Schaefer, Todd Simon, Matt Senske, Chad Simon, coach Brad Thimm, coach Jason Ryan, Charles Smith, Reggie Cutler, Andrew Mathews, Josh Conley, Terrance Gilbert, Joey Smith, Quentin Mucke, Tim Burton, Tony Kouba, Brad Douglas, Avery Walker

Varsity Girls Basketball



Mary Homan, coach Bob Wustrack, coach Bryan McKinley, coach Jessica Carlyle, coach Scott Jensen, coach Larry Kaipust, coach Andrew Havelka, Maggie Larkin, Rebecca Marsh, Amber Quinn, Alyssa Berg, Katie Homan, Janielle Bryan, Stephanie Shada, Amanda Cook, Ja'Quawna Watts, Nikia Armstrong, Jasmine Mosley, Chevelle Herring, Jessica Powers

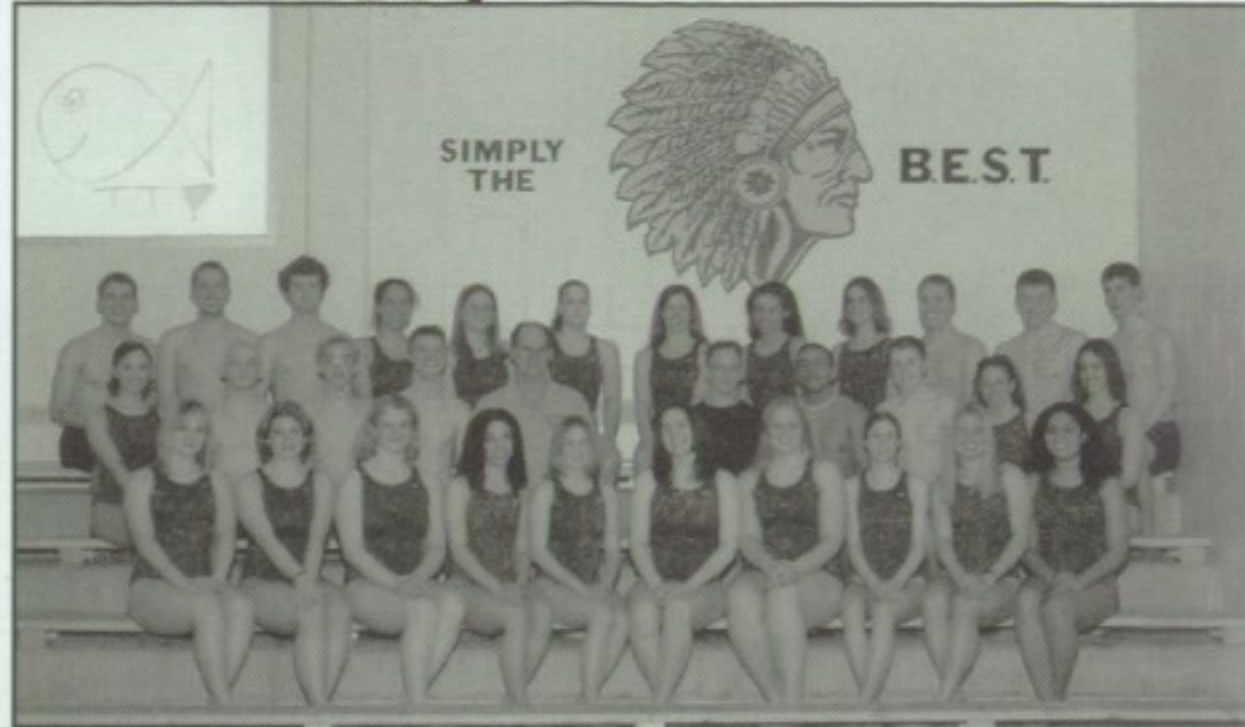
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Freshman Girls Basketball



Tiarra Barnes, Jane Mathew, coach Lori Waring, Maggie Grange, Carolyn Spichal, Autumn Huey, Audrey Homan, Kate Niemier, Teena Robinson, Melyne Kessler, Rachel Allen

Swimming



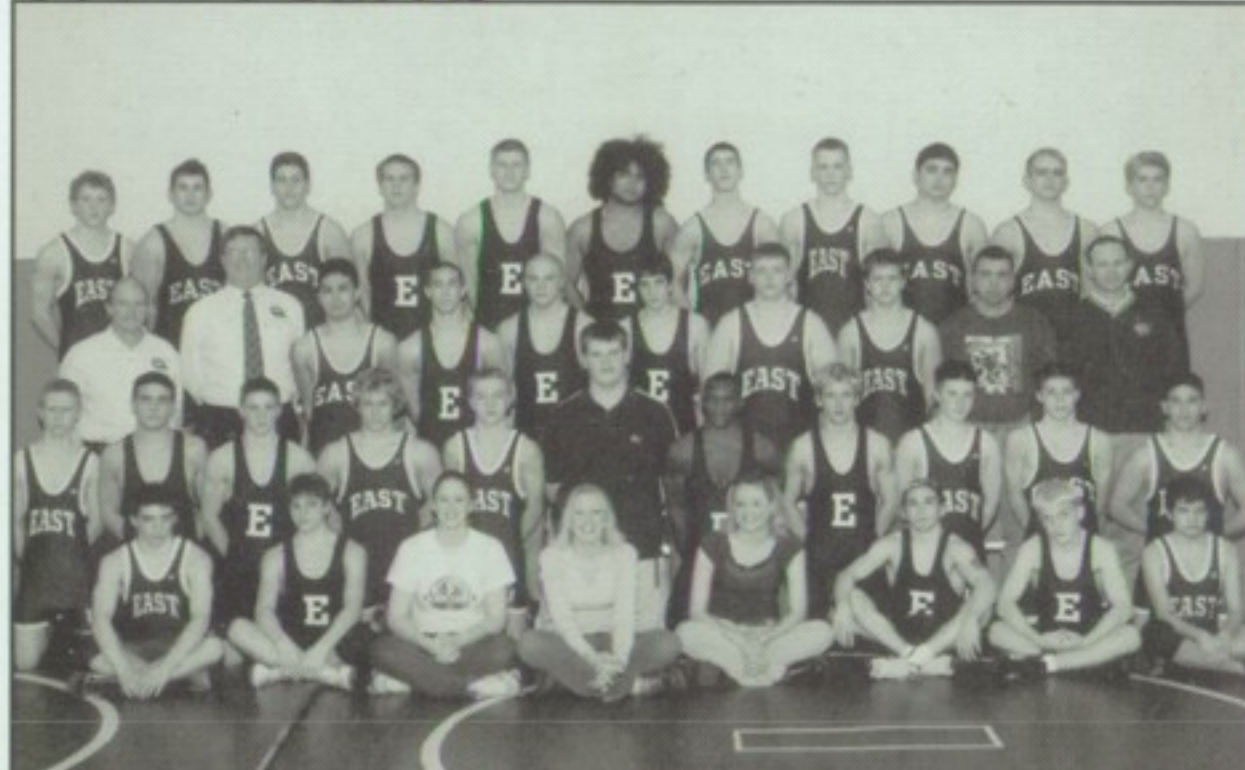
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Reserve Girls Basketball



Tara Billings, Treightin Yates, coach Bryan McKinley, Cami Hoogeveen, Melissa Wood, Meagan Moerles, Amanda Moerles, Brittini Stephens

Wrestling



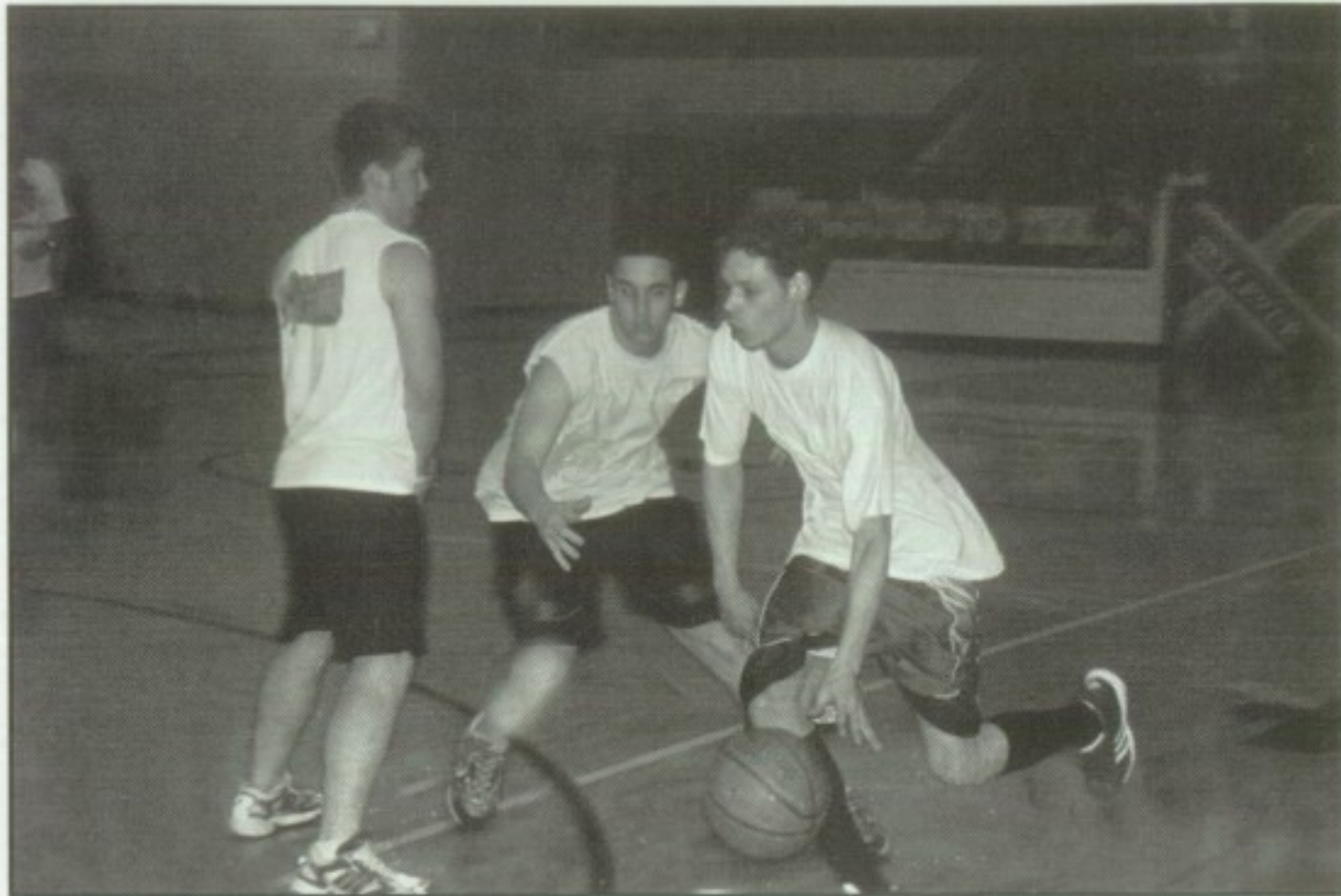
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Powerlifting



Coach Phil Burlingame, James Ingram, Garrett Lintz, Joe Laski, Jake Nosal, Mike Ciriaco, Matt Ralston, Sean Debuhr, Jeff Ingram, Kyle Christensen, coach Toby Higgs, Dain Busboom, Ben Bjark, Paul Boyd, Jon Abueg, Christina Wedner, Nathan Van Briesen, Jacque Ong, John Walker, Bonnie Johnson-Strawn, Matt Burnham, Meagan Moerles, Colin Carlson, Micaela Walters, Amanda Moerles, David Krupp, Sean Feagan, Martin Bhatti, Olaf Joken, Chris Bridges, Roger Washington, Matt O'Hanlon, Donald Dollinger

Non-Sanctioned Non-Sanctioned



Nikole Slotter

Senior Jewels Anderson tries to get around the Bellevue West opponent while senior John Kumor helps. The championship games were held at Bellevue West.

At an intramural game against Bellevue West, senior Sean Douglas heads toward the basket. East intramural teams challenged each other until the game against West.

Nikole Slotter



Something different Students participate in alternative sports

Most students at East probably thought non-sanctioned sports weren't regular sports at all, but they were wrong. There were plenty of students involved in intramurals, trapshooting, powerlifting, and bowling.

Sophomore **Jeremiah Dawson** was one of many students involved in trapshooting. Dawson had been doing trapshooting for two years. Whenever Dawson had a chance, he went down to the Bellevue Rod and Gun Club to shoot for the day. That was one of the reasons Dawson enjoyed trapshooting rather than other clubs and sports.

"Well, normally other clubs don't usually go out and shoot for an afternoon," Dawson said.

There were many advantages for students involved in trapshooting.

"My favorite part is getting out of school early to go shooting," Dawson said.

Another sport that many people did not think was a regular sport was

powerlifting. Junior **Bonnie Johnson-Strawn** decided to join powerlifting because she wanted to be big and muscular. Johnson-Strawn trained for three months, practicing five times a week. She won first at two meets during 2002-03 season.

"It pushes your body to the limits"
Bonnie Johnson-Strawn, 11

"I love powerlifting, because it pushes your body to the limits, and it's not a sport that you have to rely on others," Johnson-Strawn said.

Intramurals were something teachers were involved in also. Social studies teacher **Lance Raabe**, who joined because he loved playing basketball, was on a teachers' basketball team. Their team was called the "Slamma Jamma," and they were undefeated. Raabe's favorite part of intramurals was getting exercise and playing against the students.

"Intramurals are a great way to get into shape and a great way to stay involved," Raabe said.

Sarah Shipman
Staff writer

By the Numbers

East placed **1st** in state powerlifting

8 powerlifters won their individual competitions

6 intramural teams

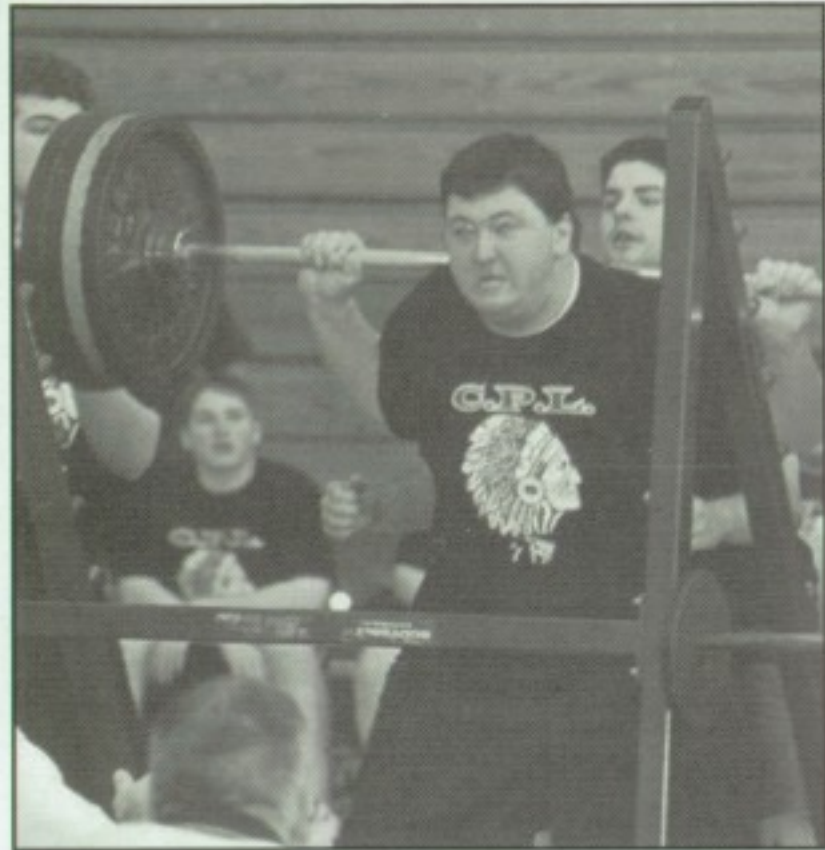
Over **30** powerlifters

9 years bowling had been offered at East



Non-Sanctioned Non-Sanctioned

During the State Powerlifting Championships, junior James Ingram squats during one of his heats. It was the first year that the boys won the championship.



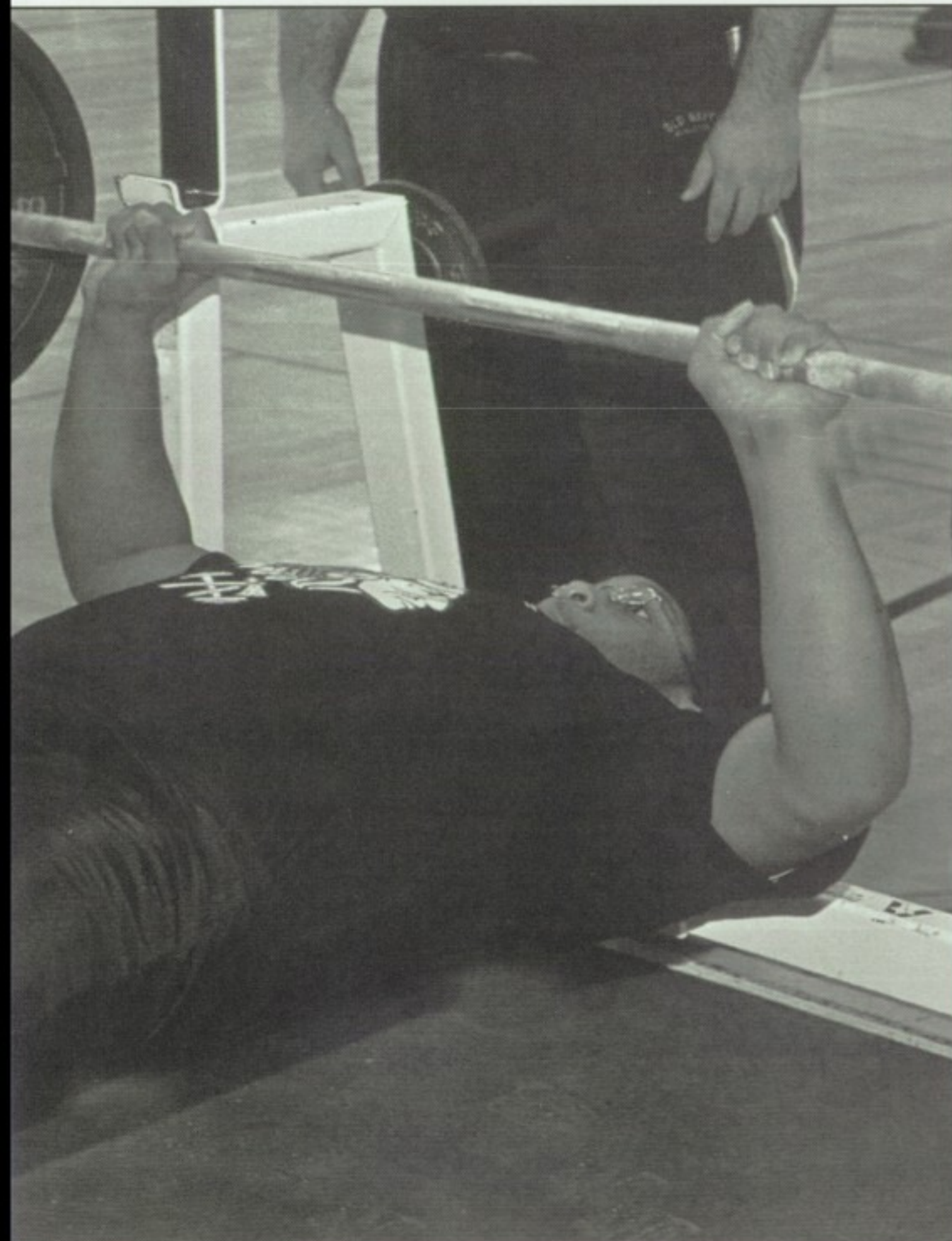
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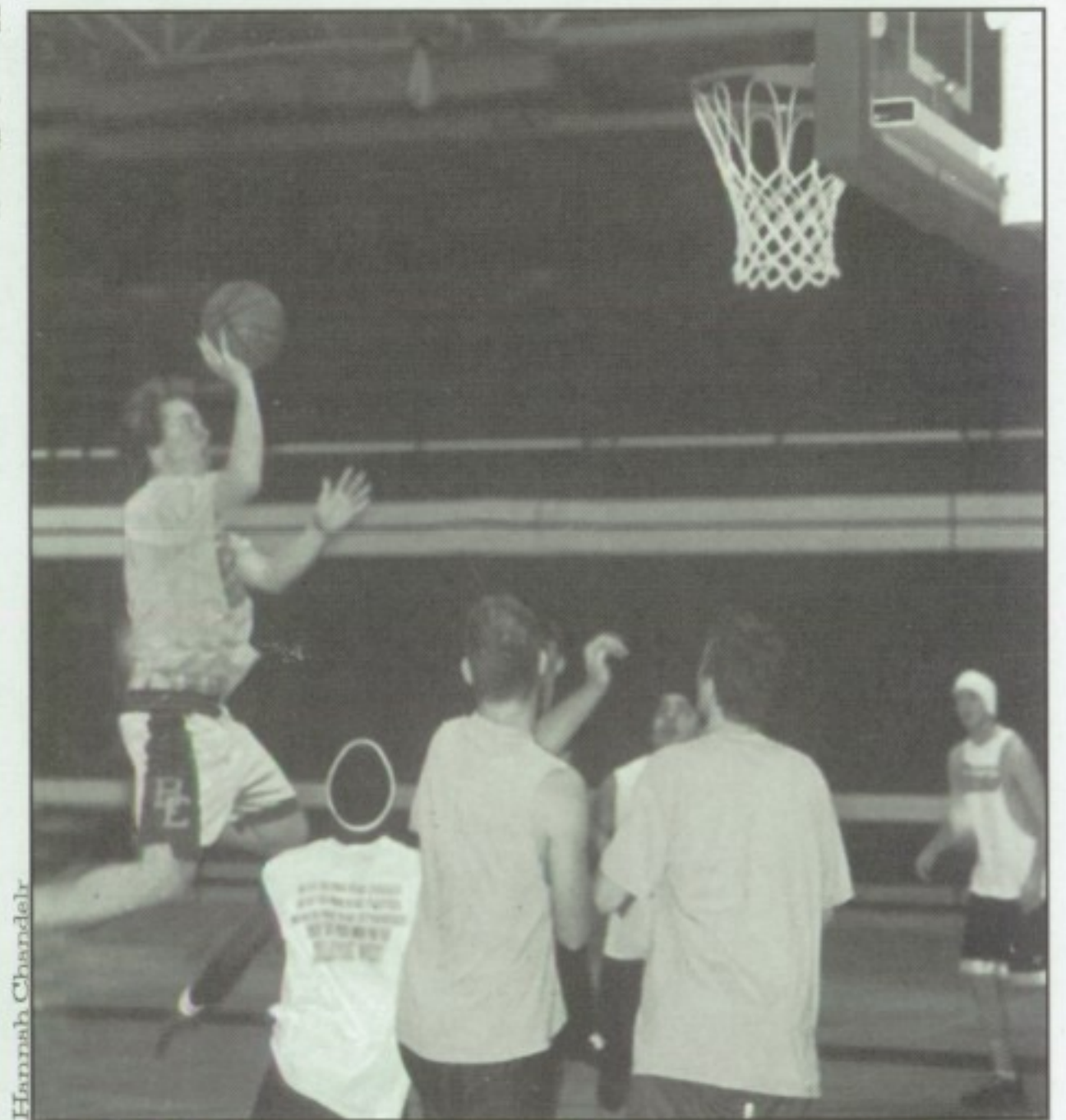
Mike Crum

Junior Matt O'Hanlon screams as he squats at the State Powerlifting Championships held at Bellevue East. O'Hanlon was the champion in the 198 division.

Intramurals
Powerlifting
Bowling
Trapshooting



Hannah Chandler



Hannah Chandler

Senior Bryan Bell bench presses during the state powerlifting event. Bell was named Outstanding Heavyweight Male Lifter and the 275-pound division champion.

Soaring through the air, senior Sean Douglas shoots for a basket. It was Douglas' second year playing on an intramurals team.

Cheerleading Cheerleading



Hannah Chandler

In her first year of fall cheerleading for Bellevue East, junior Jessica Shankland performs a Russian for the crowd. Shankland auditioned for cheerleading by video-tape.

Junior Kat Cunningham wears the jersey that she bought during the jersey auction as she and senior Kristin Gibson perform. The jersey raffle raised \$925.



Hannah Chandler

Spirited friendships

Good relationships bring cheerleaders together

Spending many hours practicing did more than just help the cheerleaders perform well; it brought them together as a family.

Cheer coach Becky Wheeler said that building relationships was the best part of coaching.

"We have fun together and I enjoy getting to know the girls," Wheeler said.

Junior Casey Hike agreed.

"I like spending quality time with the people on the squad," Hike said.

But the girls also had work to do. Senior captain Raquel Crewe said that she had many responsibilities that were tough.

"Making up dances and cheers from scratch was really hard," Crewe said.

Even though the sport could get stressful, the girls still had fun.

"The best part of cheerleading is hav-

ing school spirit and being involved," sophomore Lindsey Brown said.

But first, hard work was put in to help the squad prepare.

"It was stressful before games and pep rallies," Hike said. "It's hard putting the last minute things together."

Some girls said that their friendships helped them before games and competitions.

"It helps us to relax and not stress out on each other," Brown said.

Even when the squad was not cheering, their

relationships were still strong.

"We're like sisters, so our relationship was pretty good," Crewe said.

Wheeler said that the girls made her job fun.

"We have a good time and get along really well," Wheeler said. "We're like a family."

**"It's hard putting the last minute things together."
Casey Hike, 11**

By the Numbers

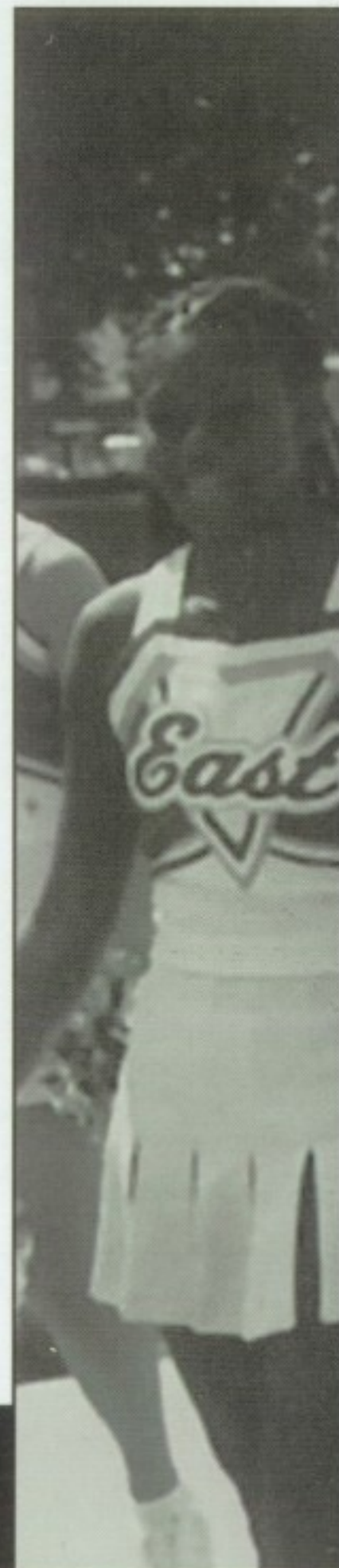
23 people on varsity

COMPETITION SQUAD PLACED **1**ST AT CHEER XTREME

6 competitions

5 captains on varsity

8 seniors



Kaiti Jorgenson

Sports Co-Editor

Cheerleading Cheerleading

Showing her spirit, senior Meagan McIntyre leads the crowd in a cheer. McIntyre was a fall sports cheerleader for a total of four seasons.



Hannah Chandler



Hannah Chandler

Senior captain Raquel Crewe leads the cheerleaders during a time-out at a football game. It was Crewe's second year as varsity captain.



Hannah Chandler



Hannah Chandler

During the Arrows to Aerospace parade, senior Christina Wedner performs the parade routine. The parade was held in the early fall throughout Olde Towne Bellevue.

Freshman Danni Marrow practices before a football game. Many girls stretched and practiced difficult moves before games and competitions.

Bellevedettes Bellevedettes

At the kick-off celebration soap scrimmage, the Bellevedette dance team performs with the cheerleaders. The Bellevedettes and cheerleaders often collaborated for games and pep rallies.



Andrew Baillie



Motivation is Key

Practicing pushes Bellevedettes to improve

Although the Bellevue East Bellevedettes had only competed twice, they were sure that the year would be successful.

The girls competed November 2nd at the Metro Area Dance and Cheer competition and at the Central Nebraska Dance Team competition on November 16th. At the Central Nebraska Dance Team competition, the dance team placed third.

Coach **Becky Wheeler** said, "The team went out there and tried their best. Now there's only room for improvement."

Senior **Katie Hogston** said that they would do well at the next competition.

"With all the practice I think that the team will do well," Hogston said. "We have been practicing hard and preparing for this next competition."

Wheeler thought that the dedication and preparation of the team helped them out a lot.

"We practice almost every day, with

a game just about every other week. That helps out a lot," Wheeler said.

All of the Bellevedettes agreed that practice does make perfect.

"I've only done this for a few years now, and I've noticed how much this program has changed," Hogston said.

Another thing that helped was that all of the members of the team got along well together.

"We all know each other like sisters, and being able to communicate and work well together helps out a lot," junior **Julia Paul** said.

One member believed that competing had helped them already.

"Already competing and doing well, I know that the future looks bright," Paul said.

**"I know that the future looks bright."
Julia Paul, 11**

By the Numbers

15 people on the squad

8 competitions

4 seniors on the squad

4 captains

3RD PLACE AT CENTRAL NEBRASKA COMPETITION



Joey Andersen
Sports Co-Editor

Bellevedettes Bellevedettes

During the East vs. West football game, Bellevedette senior Kristin Mjeldheim, gets the crowd energized during a timeout. Mjeldheim participated in Bellevedettes as a fall captain.

During the 2002 Arrows to Aerospace parade, the Bellevedettes stop in front of the venue to perform a kickline. The kickline was a popular move in Bellevedettes.

As the team goes back on the field, senior Kelly Williamson fires up the crowd. Williamson participated in both fall and winter Bellevedettes.



Michael Crum

Hannah Chandler



Hannah Chandler



Hannah Chandler

Hannah Chandler



Senior Mackenzie Berg and junior Erin Kolarik wrap up one of the cheers. The Bellevedettes also performed in competitive events.

Before a home football game, junior Erin Kolarik and senior Maria Wever perform a dance to entertain the crowd. The dance performed was "We are the Chiefs."

Individuality.

Did you ever notice the variety of people that walked down the hall? Sure, we all belonged to our little cliques, but we also had our ways of being individuals.

Some people showed their individuality by wearing unusual clothes. Others showed it by having a 10 inch mohawk. Even though we showed individuality in different ways, we all had it.

For some, individuality meant spending an hour making sure that their clothes matched. For others, it meant staying up until 3:00 a.m. making sure they got their English project done.

Throughout high school, we were subject to changes that affected our personalities in both good and bad ways. New friends, teachers, and environments were all influences that shaped us as individuals. Who we hung out with, what we said, and who we said it to all affected our individuality.

When we hit high school, it became more evident that grades were more important than social lives, being popular could win us a spot on the Homecoming court, and time management was very difficult. No matter how popular we were or how good our grades were, the most important thing was having and showing our

INDIVIDUALITY.



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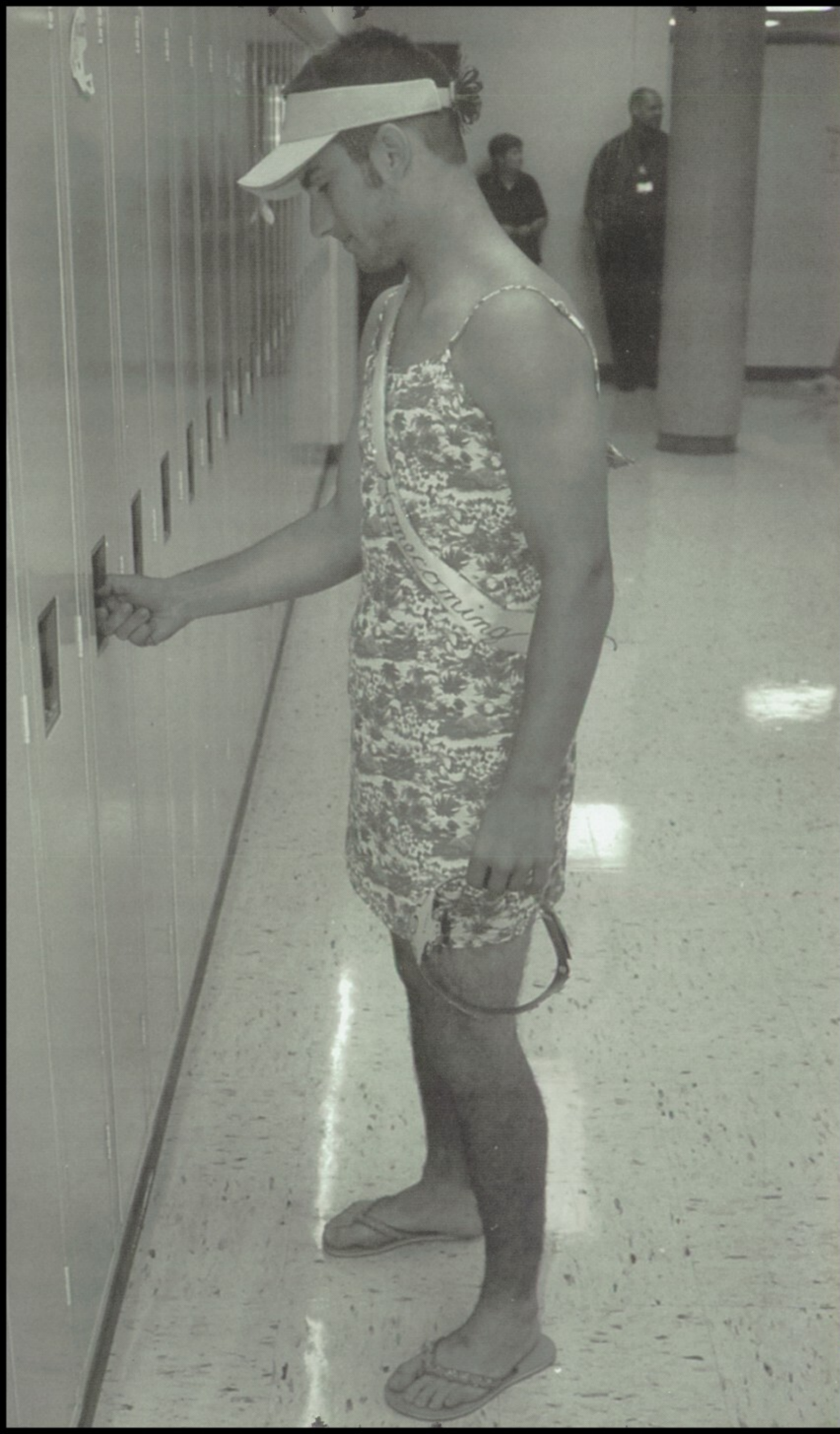
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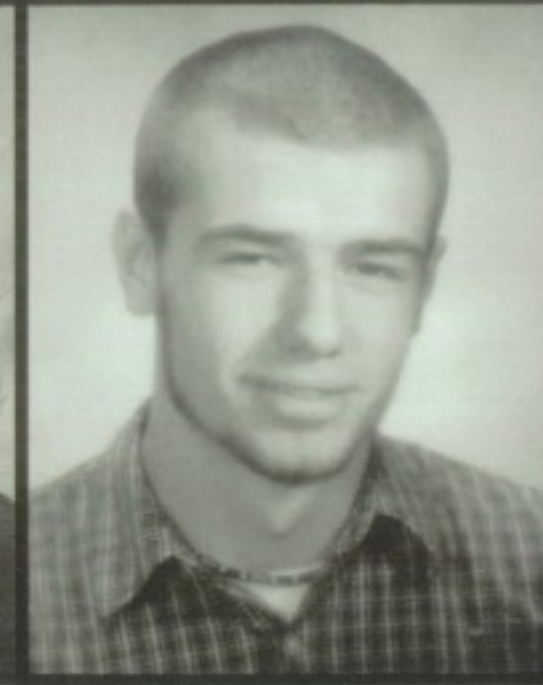
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To campaign for Homecoming king, senior Blake Yount wears a dress to school. The Homecoming court wore each others' clothes, leaving most the guys in dresses and flip-flops

Seniors

Jonathan Abueg
 Ryan Aeschliman
 Crisa Albright
 Bryce Anderson

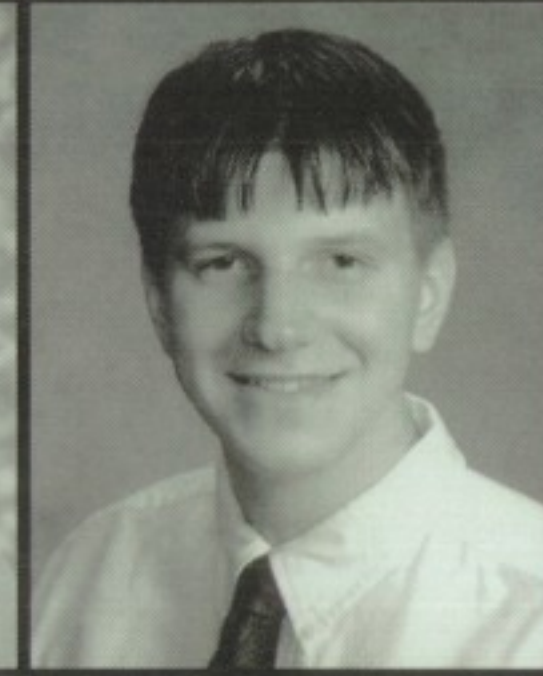
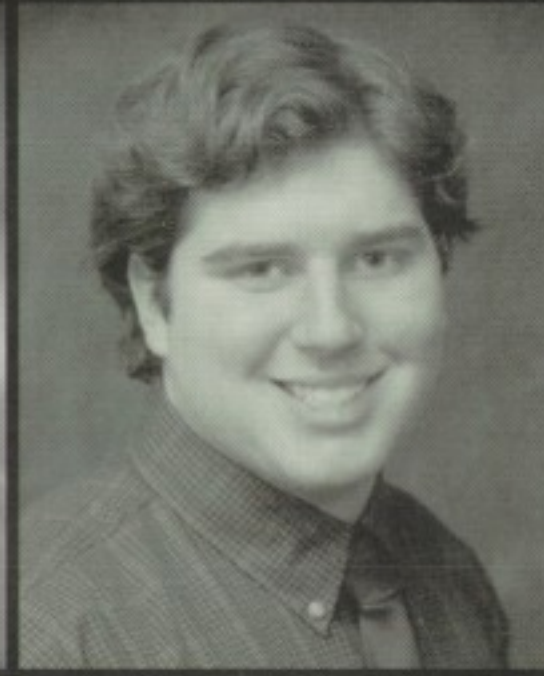


Alexis Andrade
 Amanda Andrews
 Nicholas Answine
 Kerrie Arnold



Juniors

Ariana Astley
 Andrew Bailie
 Sheterraka Ball
 James Beagle



Sophomores

Lydia Beam
 Matthew Becker
 Sarah Beliveau
 Alyssa Berg



Freshmen

What's in your...
car?

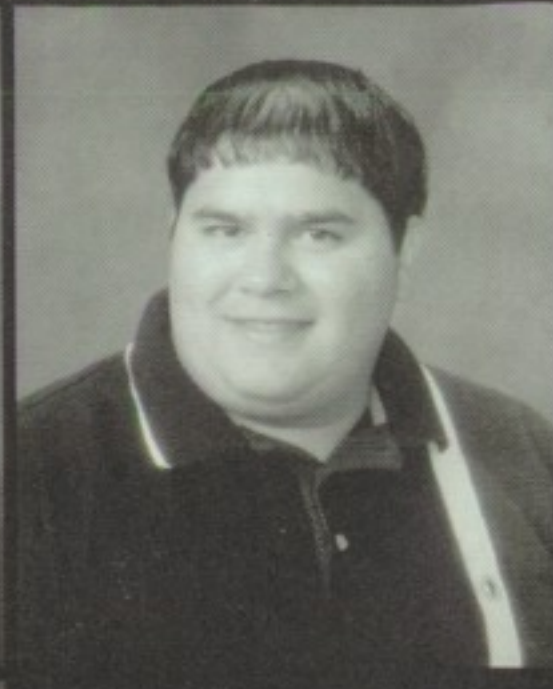
"My space heater and things I just toss in the back. Like my clothes and such."

Calah Friend, 12

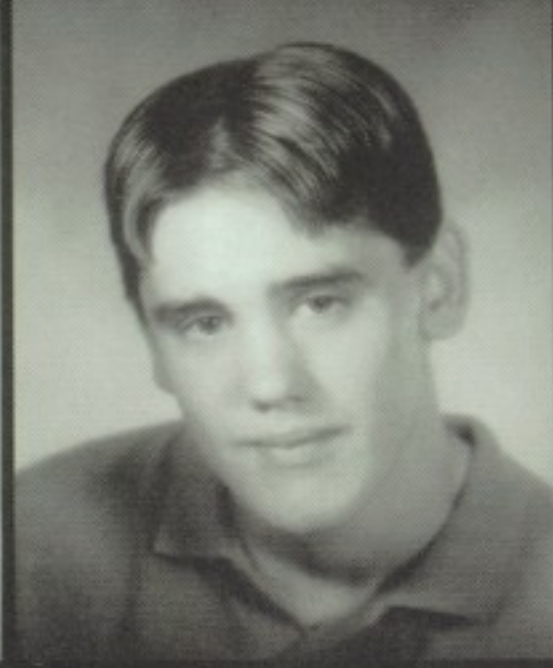
"Cd player, trash, more trash, cd player, more trash, and soccer stuff."
Barndon Weatherhead, 12

"I have a lot of clothes, tennis rackets, books I never returned, and signal flares."

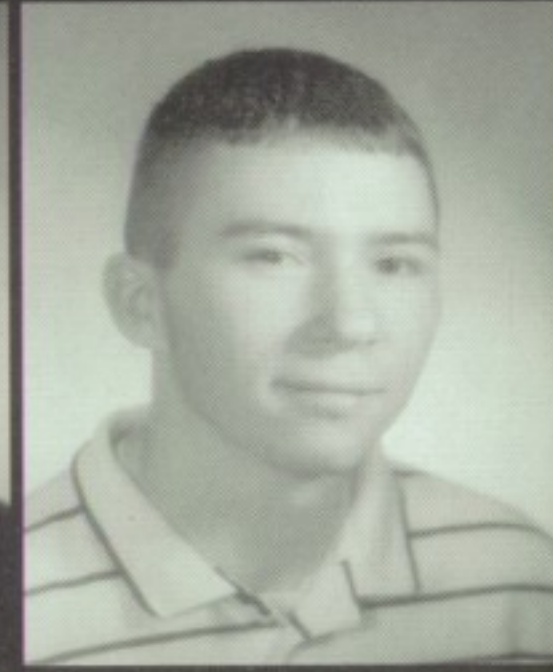
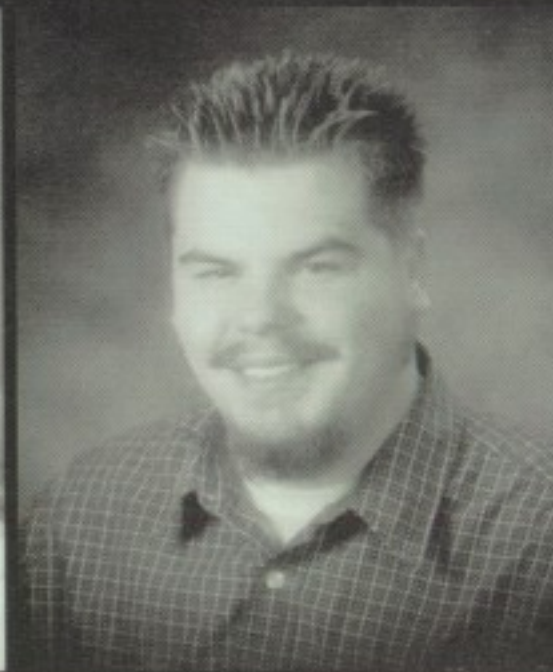
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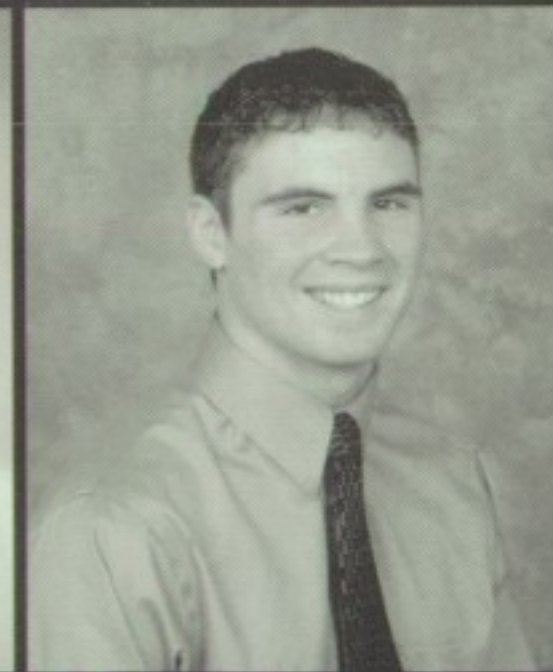
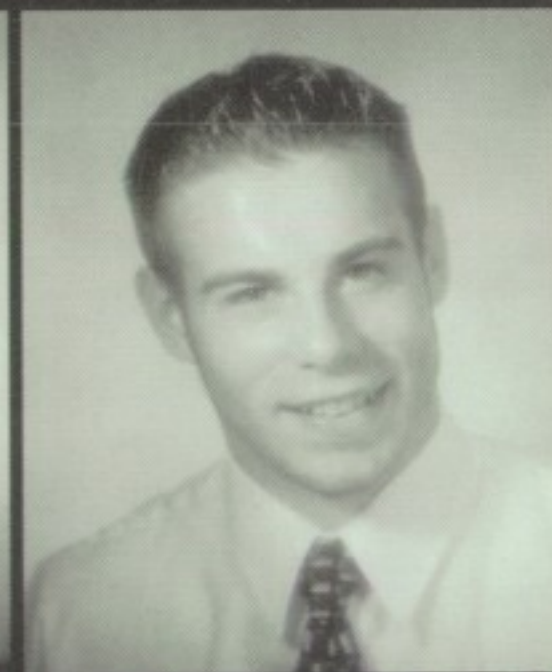
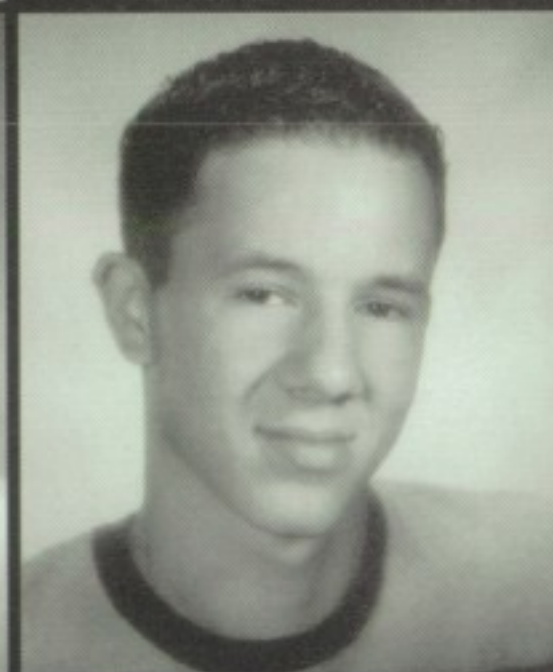
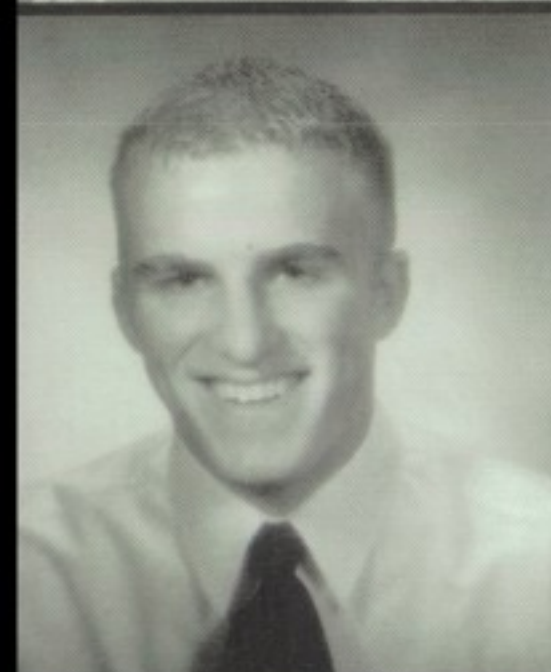
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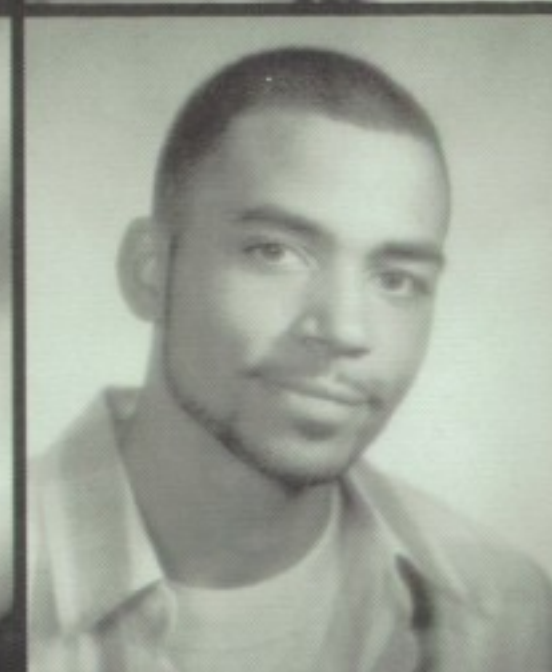
Michelle Blakeley
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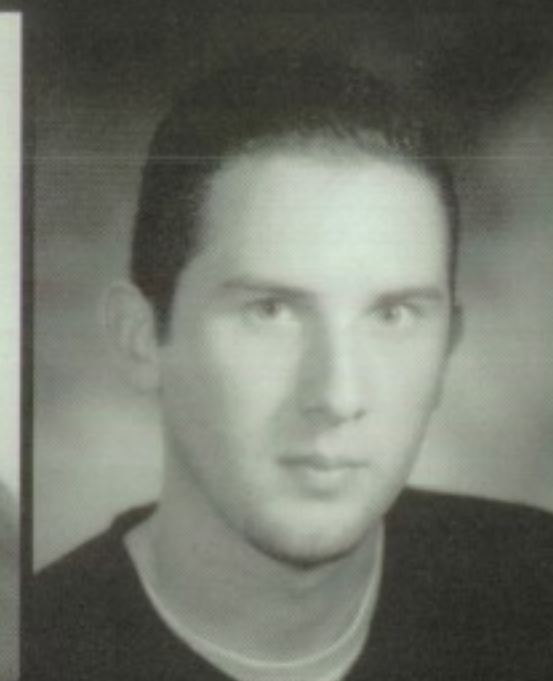
Seniors

Jasmine Cartwright
John Cavric
Hannah Chandler
Joshua Clapper



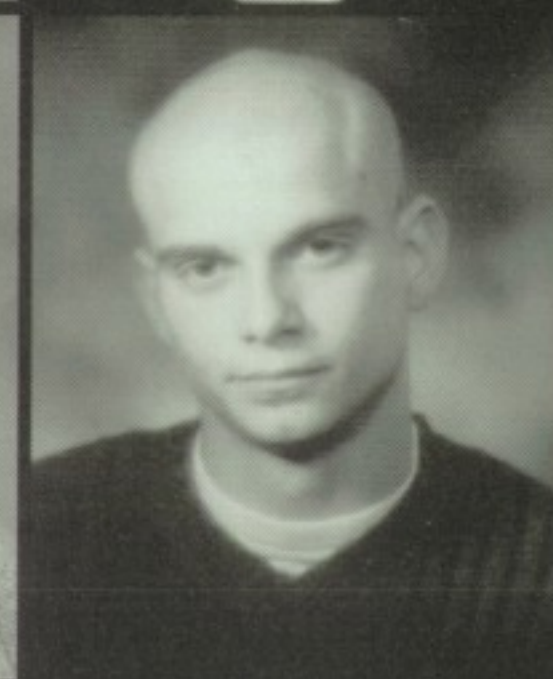
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Venessa Clark
Melissa Clouser
Erick Cole



Sophomores

Joshua Conley
Zachary Cooper
Jennifer Cox
John Creasy



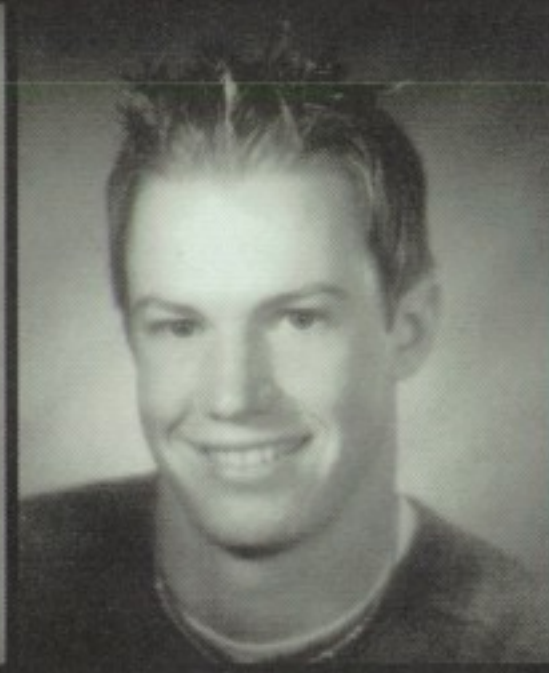
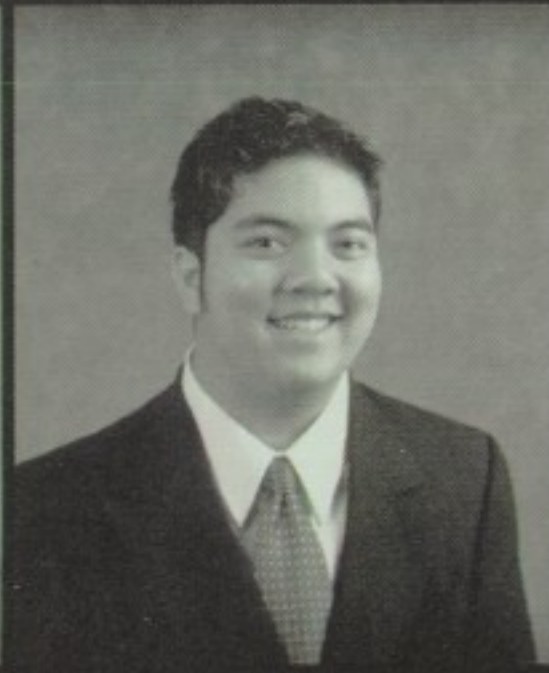
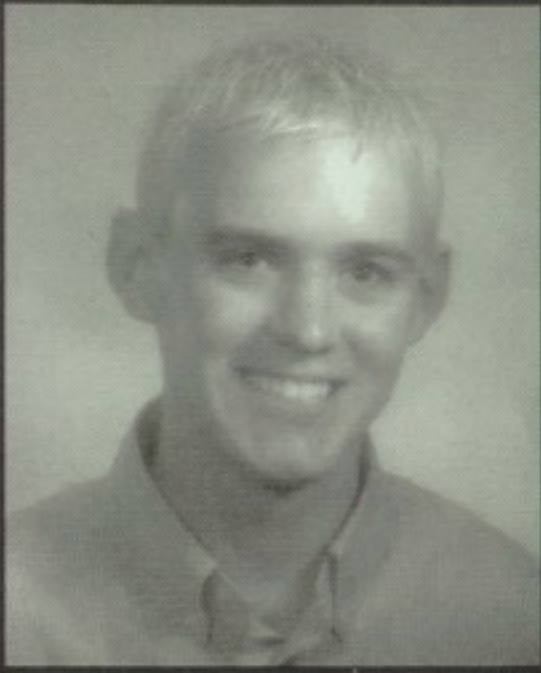
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Rachael Crider
Laura Currier



Rachel Curry
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Brenna Dacey
Amanda Dillard

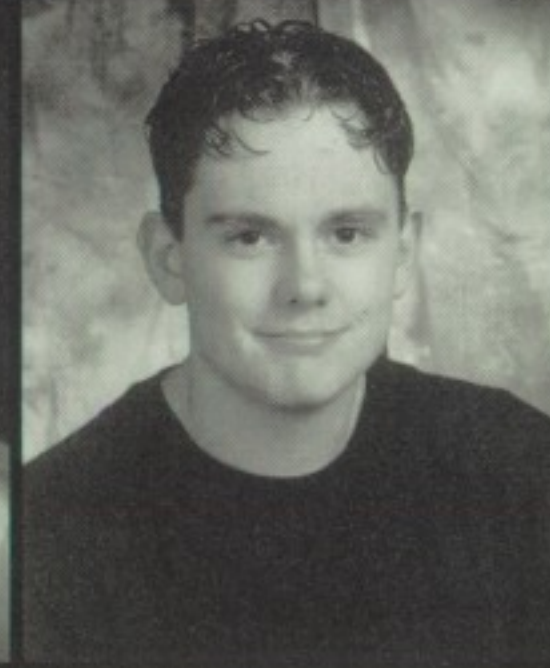
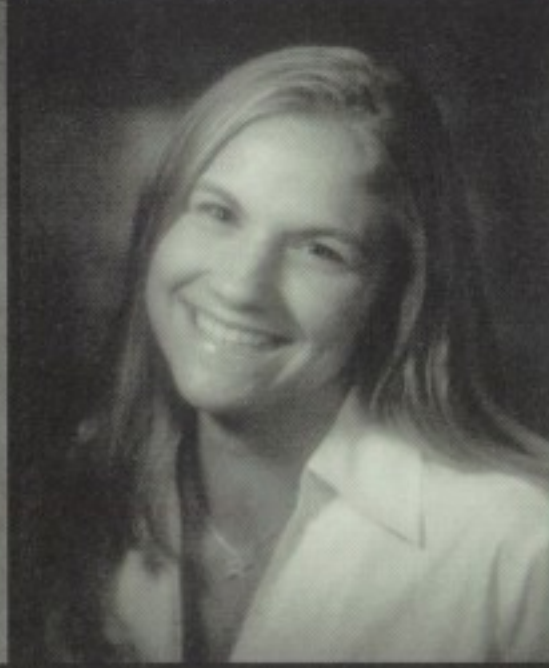
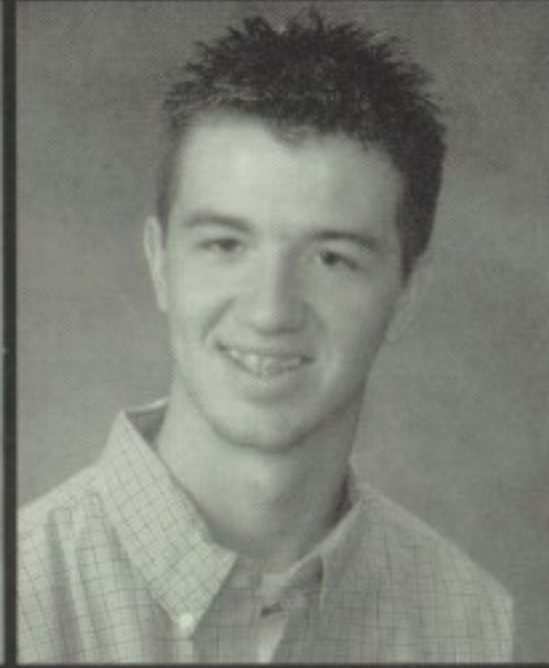




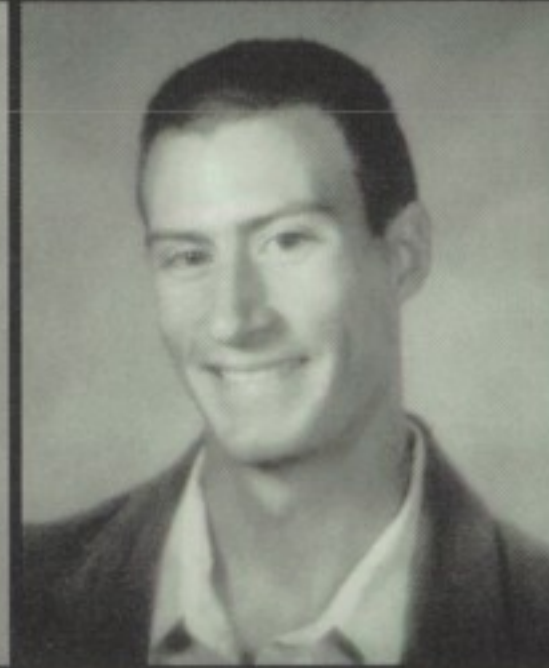
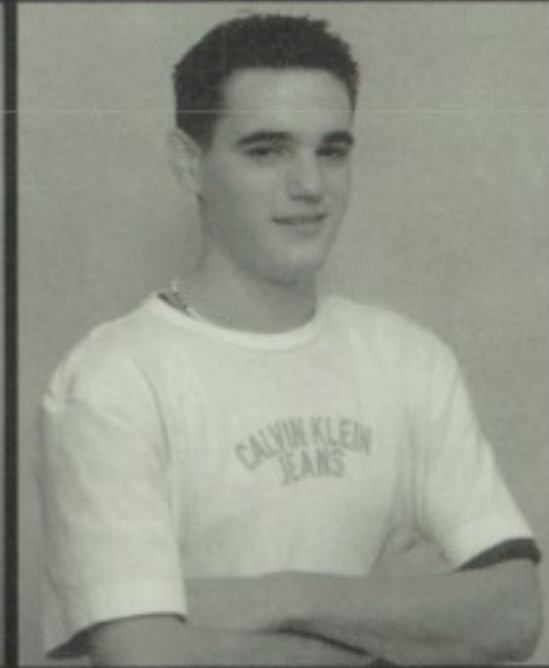
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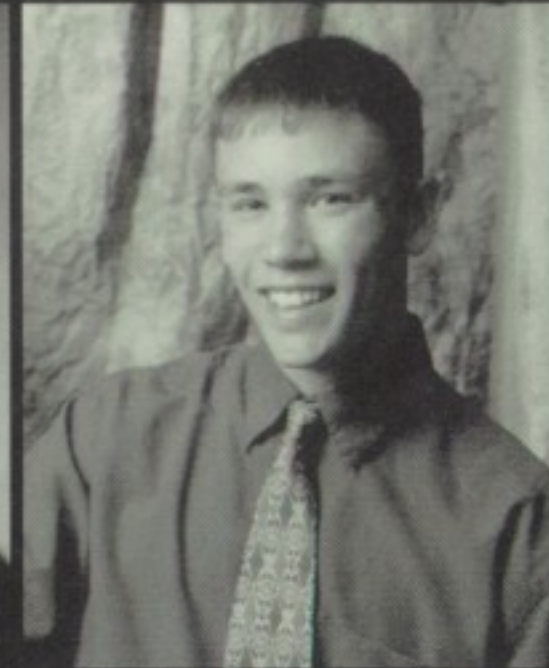
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Hope Fields
 Carlos Figueroa
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Stephanie Finklea
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Randi Gaston
Ryan Gaston
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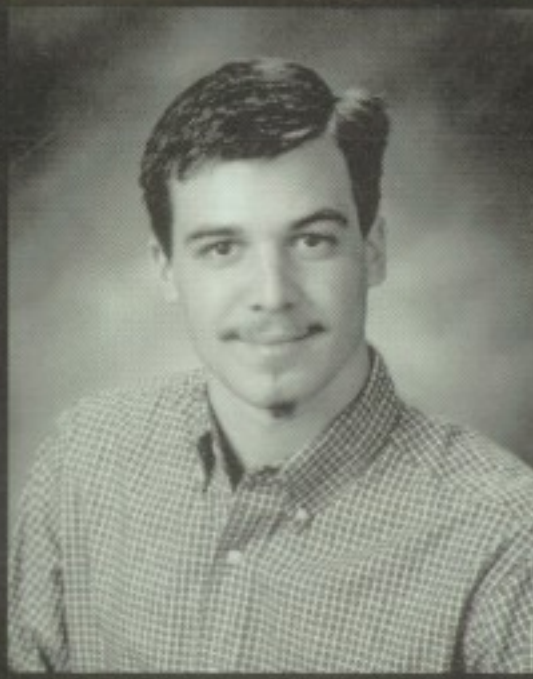
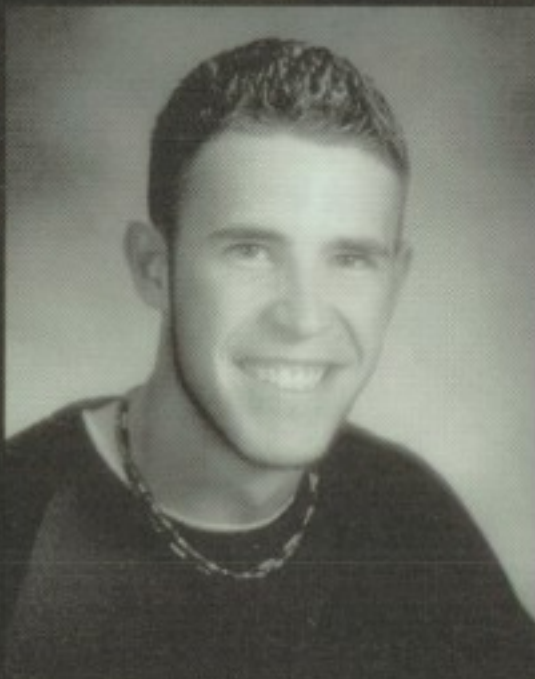


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Christopher Gladson



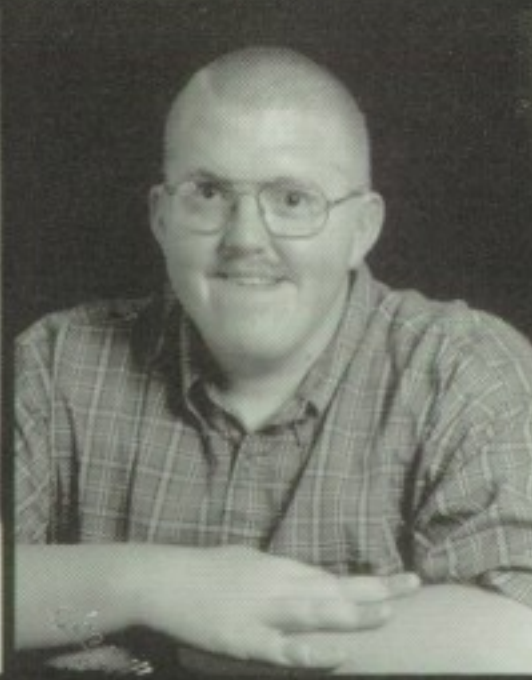
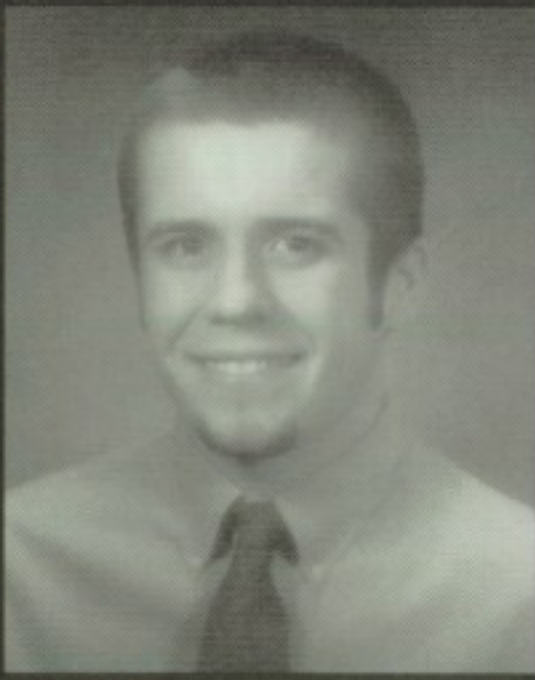
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Daniel Gomez
Jennifer Gralewski



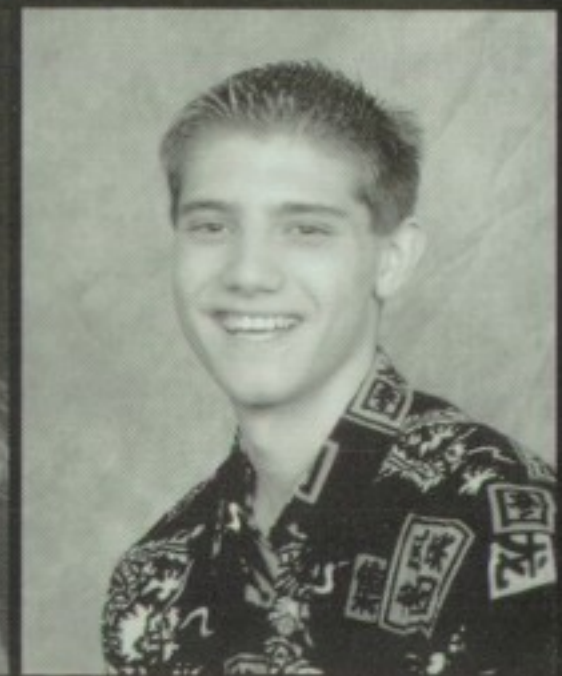
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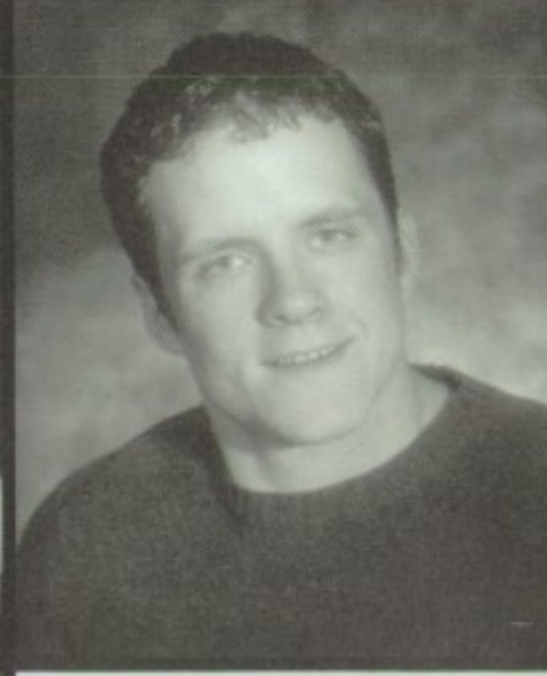
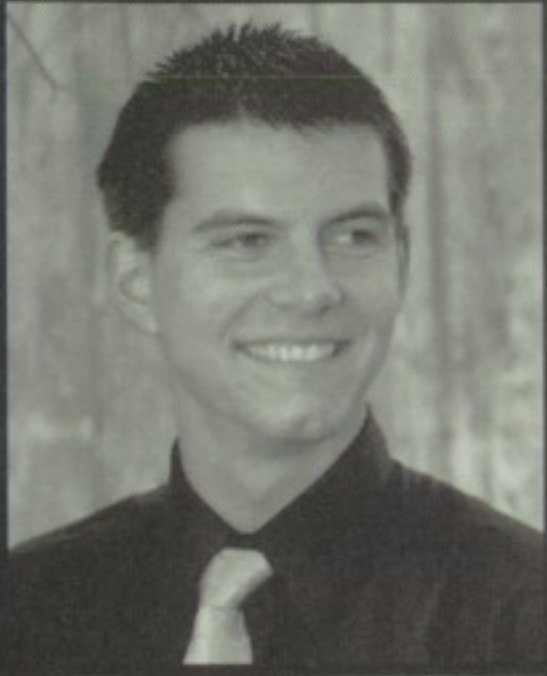
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Jenna Hall



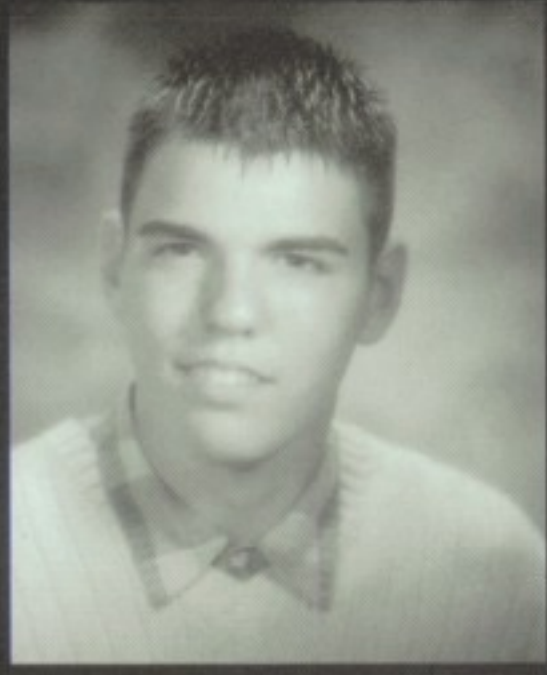
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Daniel Henery

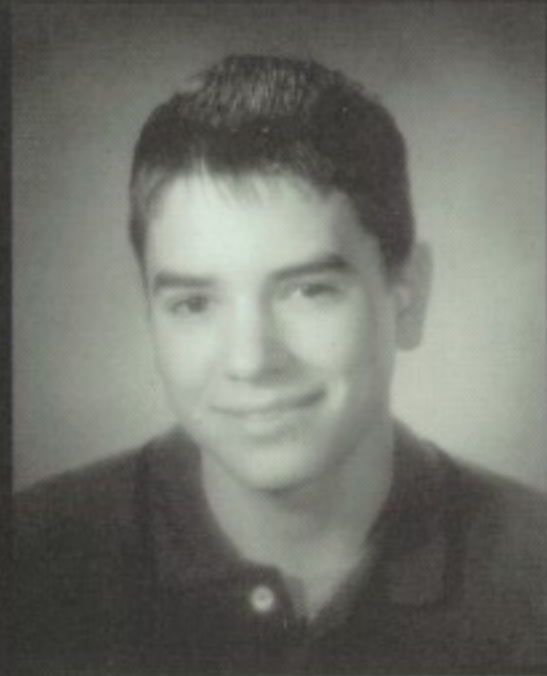




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 Erin Herrmann
 Brian Hike



Dustin Hike
 Amber Hill
 Rebecca Hill
 Sheena Hill



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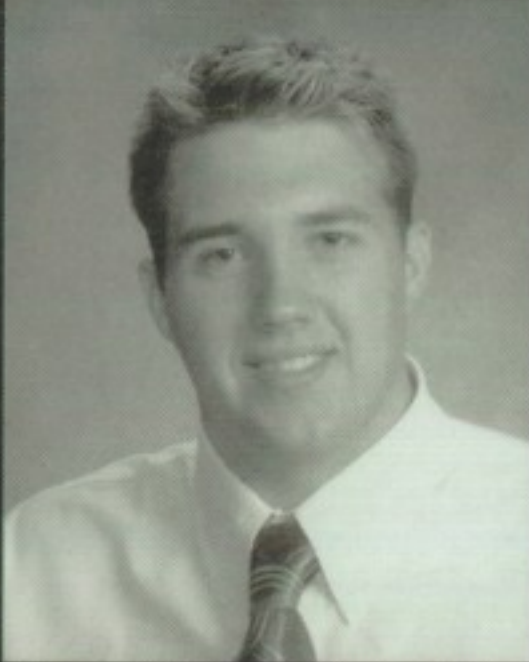
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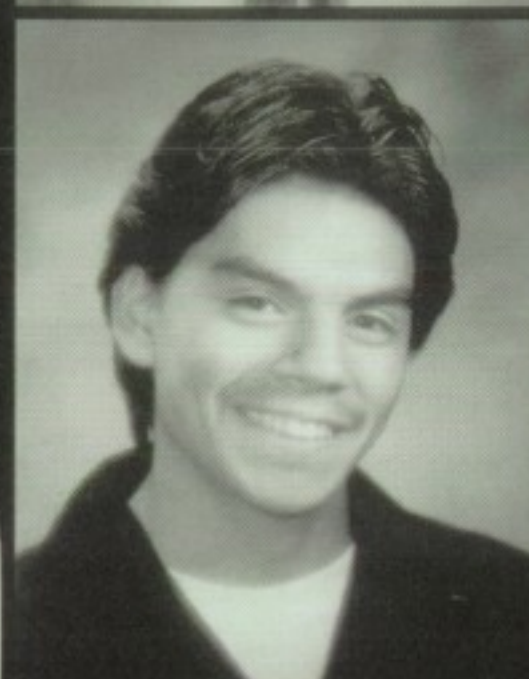
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 Tiffany Ippoliti

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 Jessica Jackson-Ruiz
 Jared James
 Jonathan Jameson

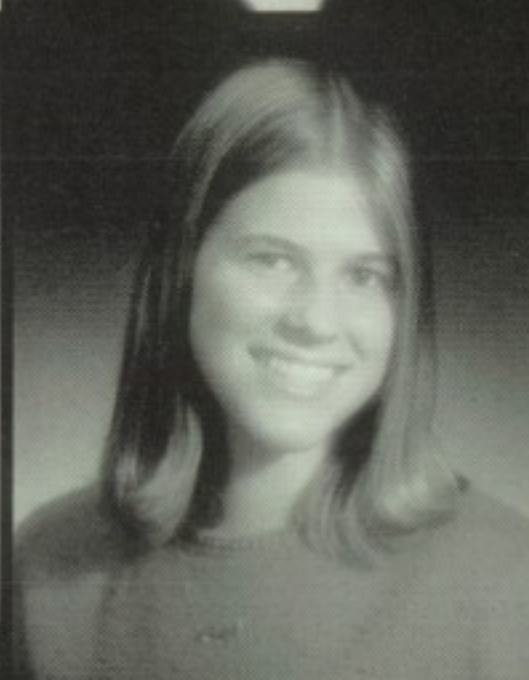


Jennifer Janca
 Michael Jarvis
 Jessica Jenkins
 Oscar Jimenez



Juniors

Kevin Johnson
 Michelle Johnson
 Steven Johnson
 Heather Jones



Sophomores

Rebecca Jordeth
 Allison Jorgensen
 Amanda Keene
 Natasha Kessler



Freshmen

Talking with... **Seniors** What are you looking forward to in college?



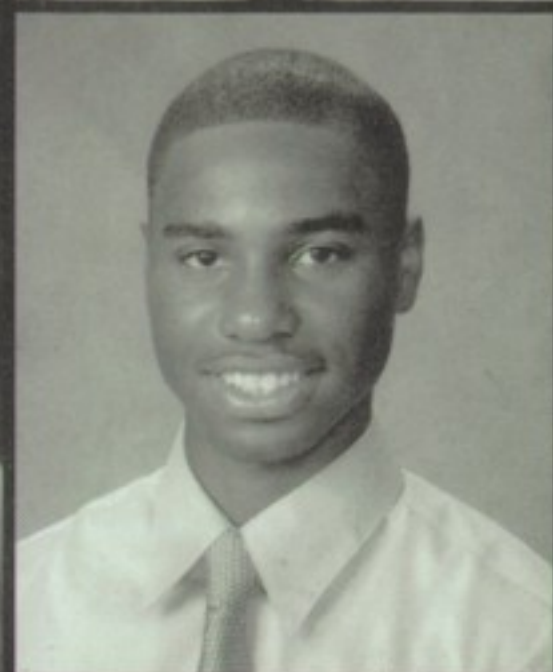
“Having freedom and being with people who want to study.”
 Walter Watson

“Further developing my intellectual superiority.”
 Christopher Gladson





William Koonce
 Nicole Krom
 Kyle Kuhstoss
 John Kumor



Jennifer Kurtz
 Zachary Lacosse
 Raquel Landon
 Evan Langhorn



Margaret Larkin
 Joseph Laski
 Eric Lawyer
 Matthew Lemm



Sara Litwak
 Krystal Loudermilk
 Sonya Lucia
 Michael Lukes



Michael Maclowsky
 Matthew Marcotte
 Ryan Martinez
 Atsushi Marvoka

Seniors

Kelly Maxwell
 Timothy McIntosh
 Meagan McIntyre
 Kimberly Melton



Gabrielle Miles
 Jessica Miller
 Lakesha Miller
 Kristin Mjeldheim



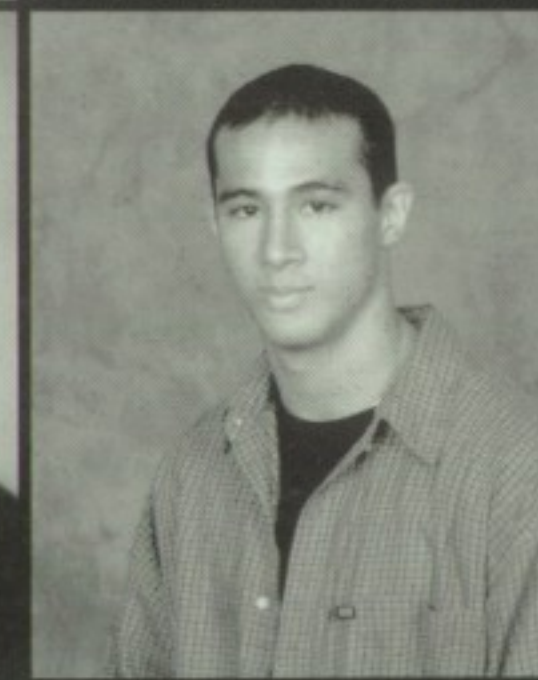
Juniors

Tennessee Moake
 June Moore
 Melissa Moulton
 Ashley Muckle



Sophomores

Jessica Munch
 Adam Murrie
 Daniel Nakai
 Jennifer Nelson



Freshmen

What are
 you doing
 after high
 school?

In State

72%

Undecided

5%

Out of State

16%

Military

5%

Other

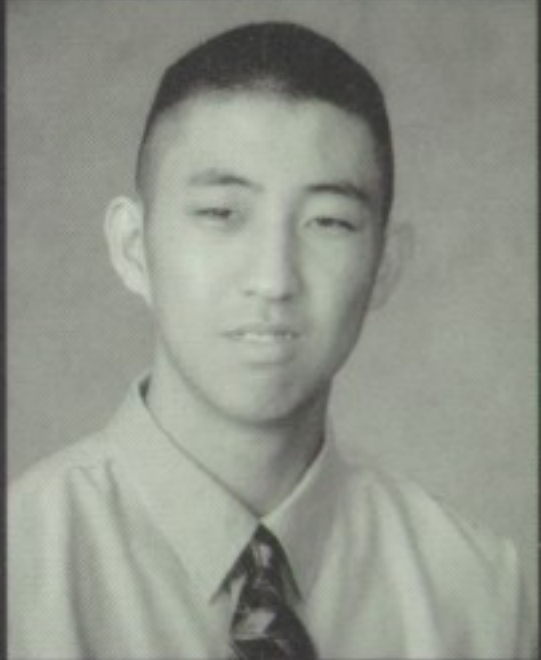
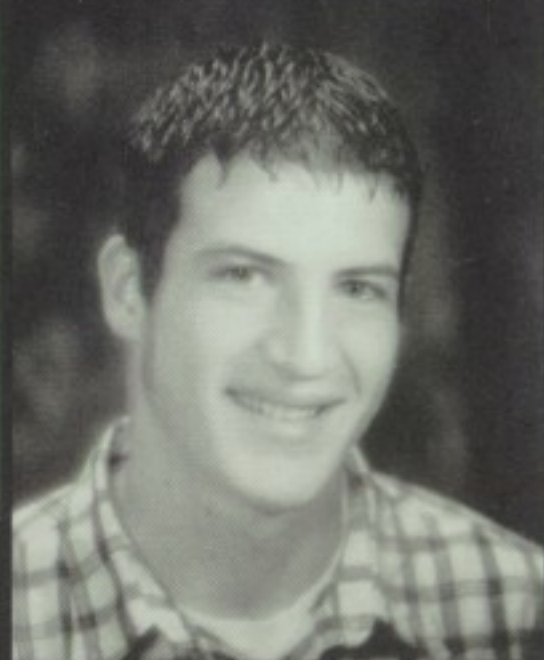
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Aaron Neumann
 Erik Nielsen
 Lucas Nielsen
 Maggie Nieman



Benjamin Novak
 April Olier
 Abby Okins
 Jaquelin Ong



Nicholas Orta
 Christopher Otto
 Trenton Otto
 Joshua Owens



Ludmila Pak
 Billie Parker
 Lindsey Parker
 Cory Peacock



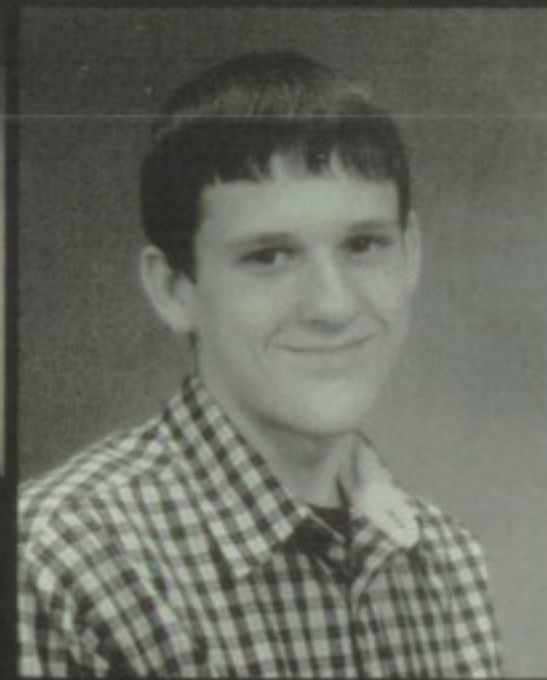
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 Michelle Perris
 Suzanne Peters
 Travis Peterson

Seniors

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 Cara Phelps
 Matthew Phillips
 Krisi Prochnow



Danielle Ramirez
 Matthew Rees
 Kyle Rein
 Bethany Reynolds



Brian Riley
 Laura Riley
 Courtney Ristow
 Lecia Robinson



Gretchen Rollings
 Leanne Ronemus
 Keri Root
 Andrea Ruch



Juniors

Sophomores

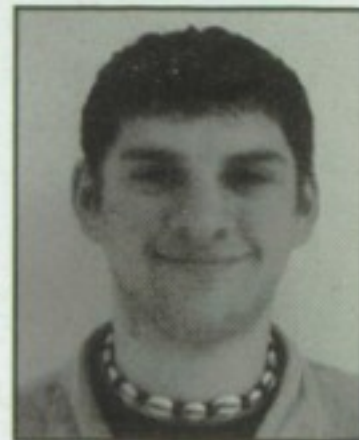
Freshmen

SCOOP

What is your favorite memory from East?

"I liked hanging out with my friends, and going to the tennis matches."

Zac Cooper



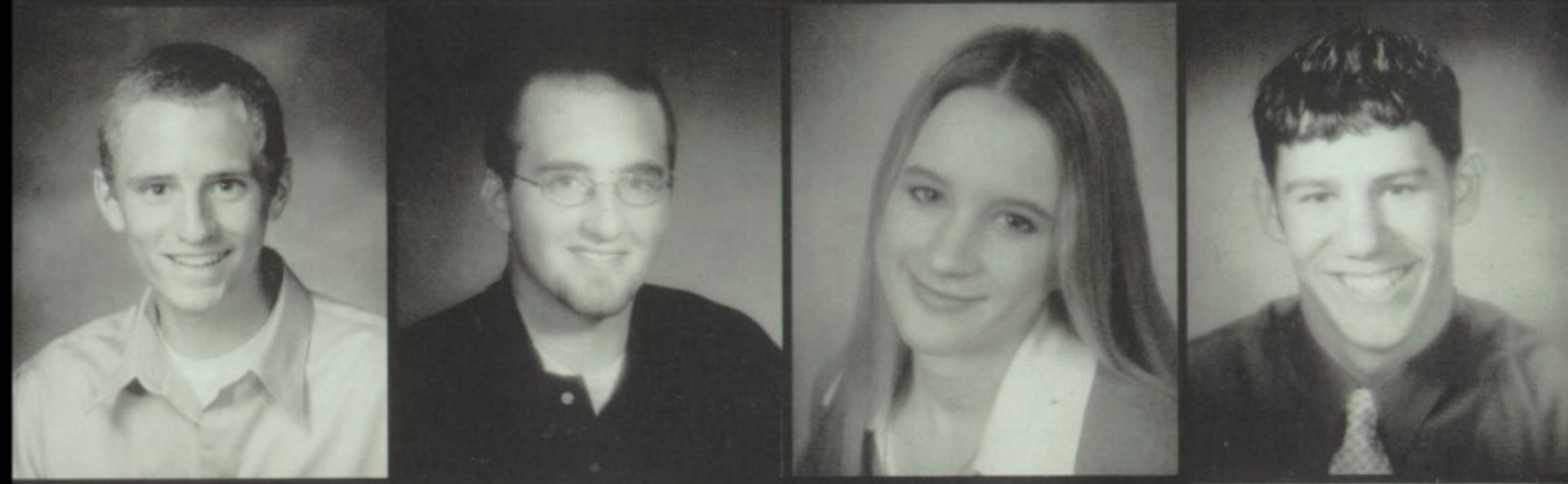
"Winning the Omaha North volleyball game."

Alyssa Berg

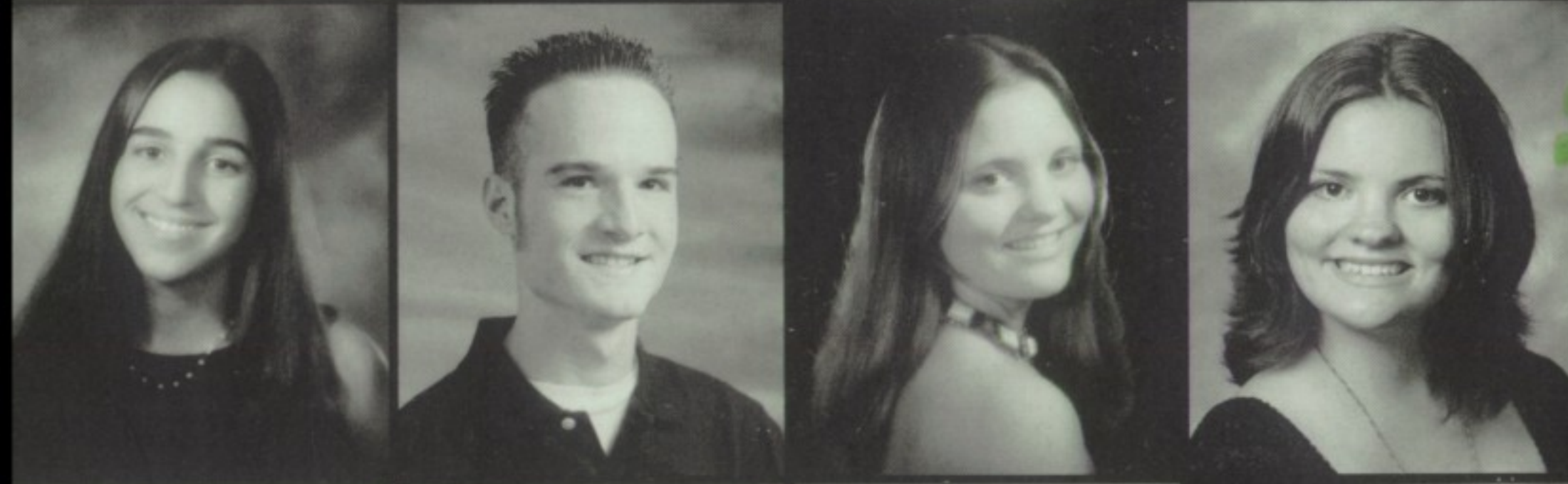




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Zachary Schaefer
Lance Schafer



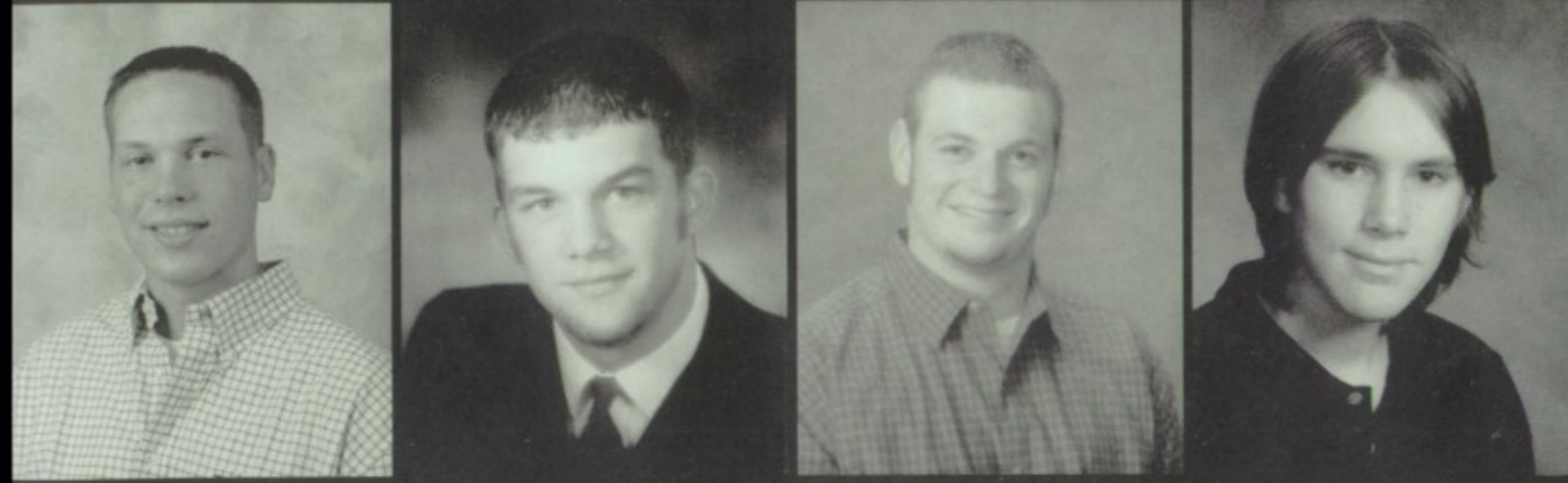
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Christian Semler
Matthew Senske



Stephanie Shada
Matthew Shipman
Jaquelyn Simmons
Katheryn Simmons



Clayton Simons
Rachael Slagle
Charles Smith
Christina Smith



Christopher Smith
Andrew Soleta
Christian Sparks
Jason Straub

Seniors

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 Kristina Svendsen
 Paul Svensson
 Kate Szymanski

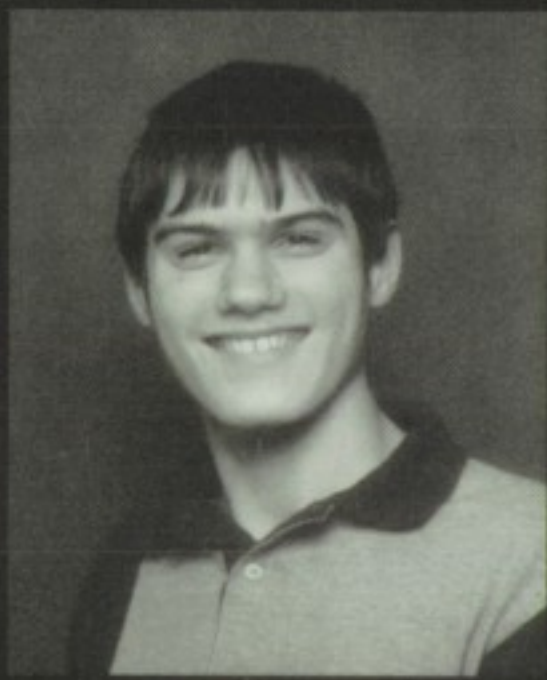


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 Megan Teshohldek
 Michael Thomas
 Vanessa Tiell



Juniors

Matthew Townsend
 Jeremy Tregeser
 Tom Trofholz
 Brittany Tylo



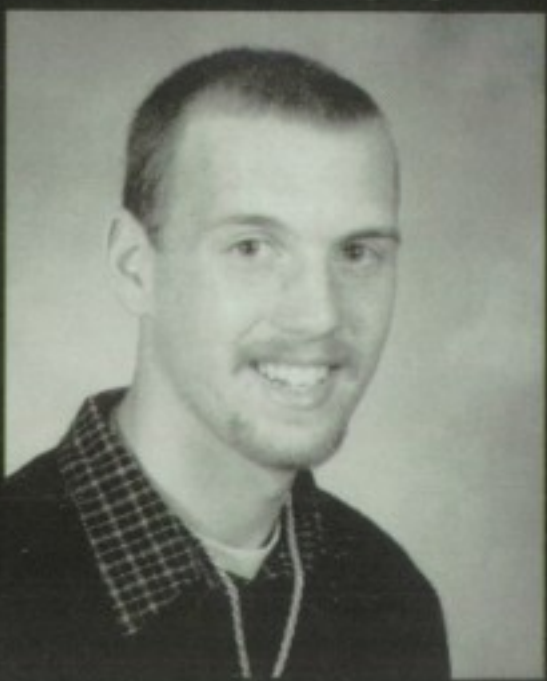
Sophomores

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 Shane Wampler



Freshmen

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 Brandon Weatherhead
 Christina Wedner
 Charles Wess





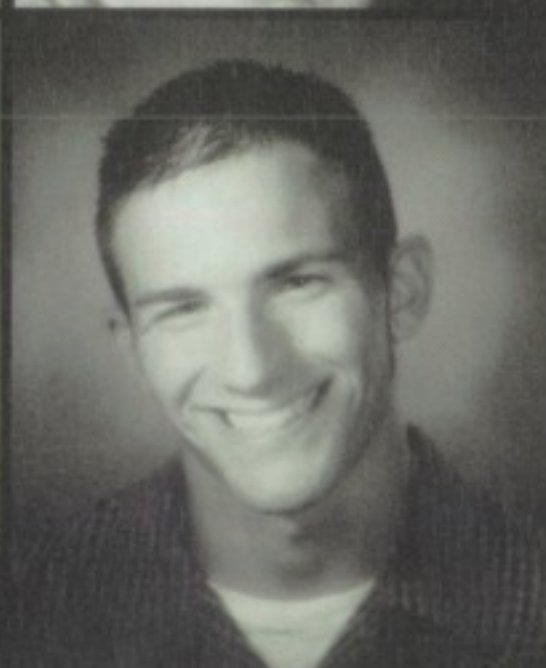
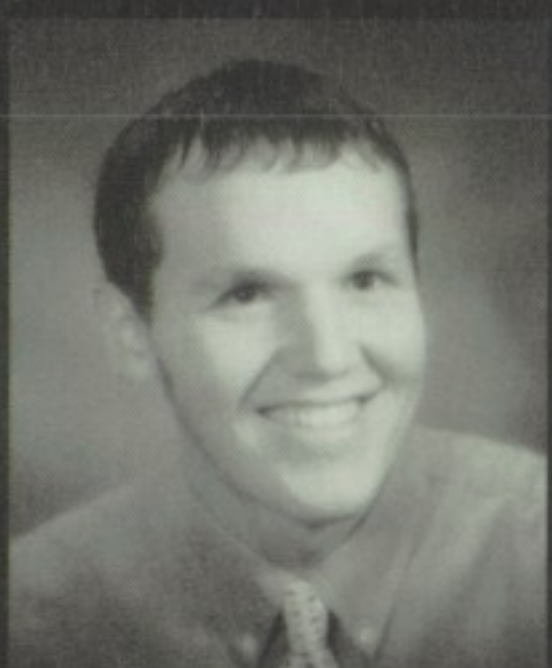
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 Joseph White



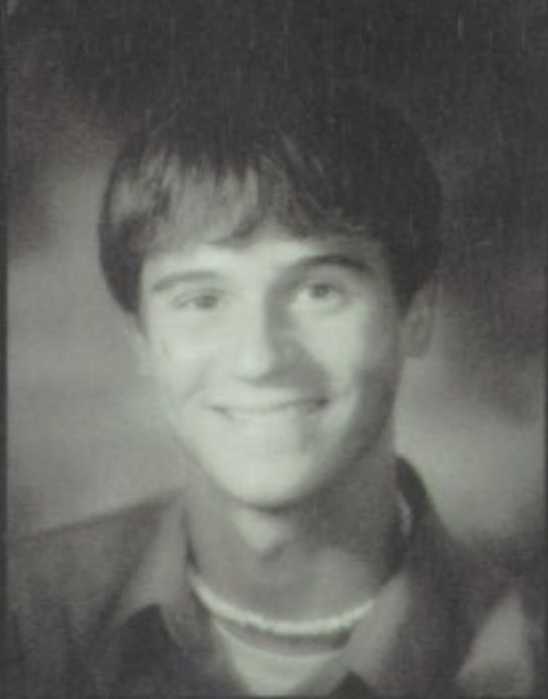
Lindsey Williams
 Kelly Williamson
 Summer Wilson
 Terrance Wilson



Christy Winscot
 Tanya Wojcik
 Christopher Wood
 Cassandra Woods



Nicholas Yankosky
 Stattin Yates
 Carrie Ybay
 Blake Yount



Zachary Zimmer
 Alex Zoucha

Seniors



Bellevue East 1999

From p

“Making the freshmen’s commons up-stairs and adding in a whole new front area.”

Caleb Brown

Juniors

WHAT IS THE BEST CHANGE IN EAST SINCE OUR FRESHMAN YEAR?

“All of the remodeling.”
Brandon Pflueger

“The teachers.”
Jenna Hall

“The commons area and the TVs.”

Christina Smith

Sophomores

“The school looks a lot better now.”
T.J. Wilson

“The new addition to the entrance. It gives the school a more wide open feeling.”
Greg Filer

Freshmen

What is most memorable from your years at East?

“Winning the state basketball tournament.”
Stephanie Shada

“We beat West in football my freshman year.”
Micaela Walters

“Us upsetting Burke in the Metro Basketball Tournament.”
Stattin Yates

“It’s between the construction and when we won the girls basketball tournament.”
Kevin Johnson

ast to present-2003-the only class to

see the old and the new.

Which year was your favorite?

"Senior year because I'm almost done and summer's coming."
Melissa Furgeson

**"Senior year because I have the best classes."
Calah Friend**

"Junior year because everything went well and all of the classes were fairly easy."
Raquel Landon

"Junior year because it was so easy."
Shane Wampler

What are you going to miss about East?

"All the activities that we offer. There are so many interests and everybody can do what they want."
Katie Hogston

"The teachers because they are so friendly, and whenever you're sad they cheer you up."
Heathen Jones

**"I'm going to miss the people and the sense of control."
James Beagle**

"All my friends and the teachers and I have learned a lot, and I grew up a lot since freshman year."
Amanda Andrews



Seniors

Dara Ackerman
Ajk Acouth
Ryan Alai
Estella Amos
Joseph Andersen
Erick Anderson



Renata Anderson
Berlin Aniciete
Sara Anson
Nikia Armstrong
Melanie Arnold
Tracey Arnold



Atanacio Arrellin-Weiland
Christopher Bailey
Tonya Bailey
Thomas Baldwin
Joshua Ballain
Jason Batterman



Juniors

Jessica Beal
Daniel Beckstead
Andrew Beebe
Anthony Berney
Holly Betts
Sarah Bezy



Nicole Biberdorf
Daunte Billups
Jamie Bishop
Benjamin Bjerk
Nicholas Blake
Sarah Blakeley



Timothy Blodgett
Naomi Bondy-Holmes
Ashlee Bowens
Raymond Boyd III
Rozilynn Breedlove
Christopher Bridges

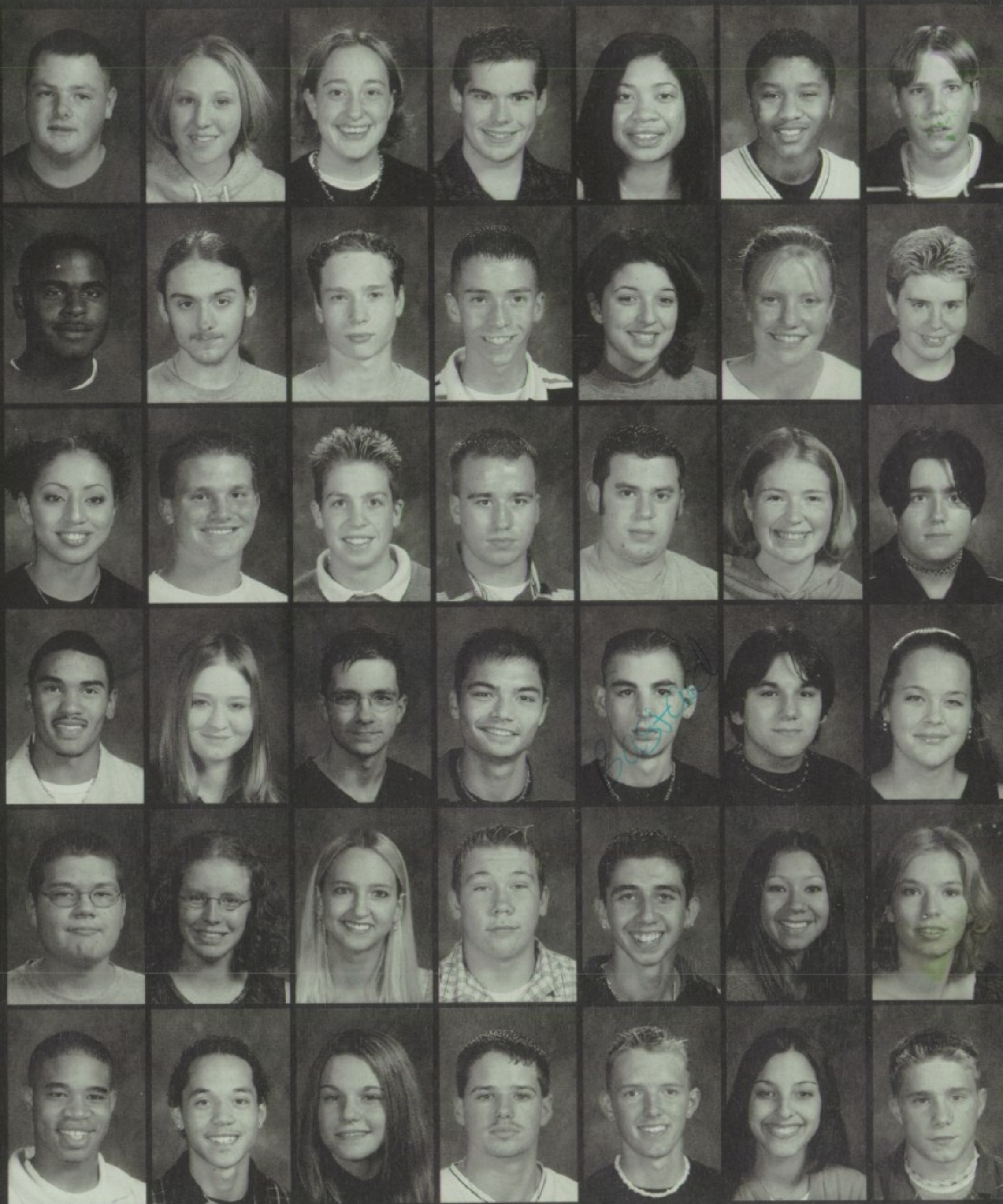


Sophomores

Freshmen

What do you prefer?
BURGER KING 64%
McDonald's 36%

*This survey was completed by 200 various students.



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 Brandie Britt
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 Andrew Brondum
 Janielle Bryan
 Charles Bullard
 Dustin Buller

Matthew Burnham
 William Butts
 Colin Carlson
 Kyle Carlyle
 Courtney Carnley
 Mickynsie Cetto
 Anne Champion

Santos Chapa
 Kyle Christensen
 Mark Ciriaco
 Brandon Clark
 Michael Clark
 Jessica Classen
 Timothy Cobb

Rory Cobbs
 Mollie Coil
 Alex Colby
 Peter Colina
 Adam Cook
 Michael Cook
 Amanda Copeland

Joshua Cornwall
 Chareise Coultas
 Karen Craig
 Devon Crocker
 Timothy Cubrich
 Katherine Cunningham
 Teresa Daniels

Eddie Davis
 Jacob Davis
 Laura Davis
 Ryan Dean
 Sean DeBuhr
 Andrea Deegan
 Trevor Deruiter

INSIDER

“To go fishing at Walnut
 Creek”

Paul Pollak
 12

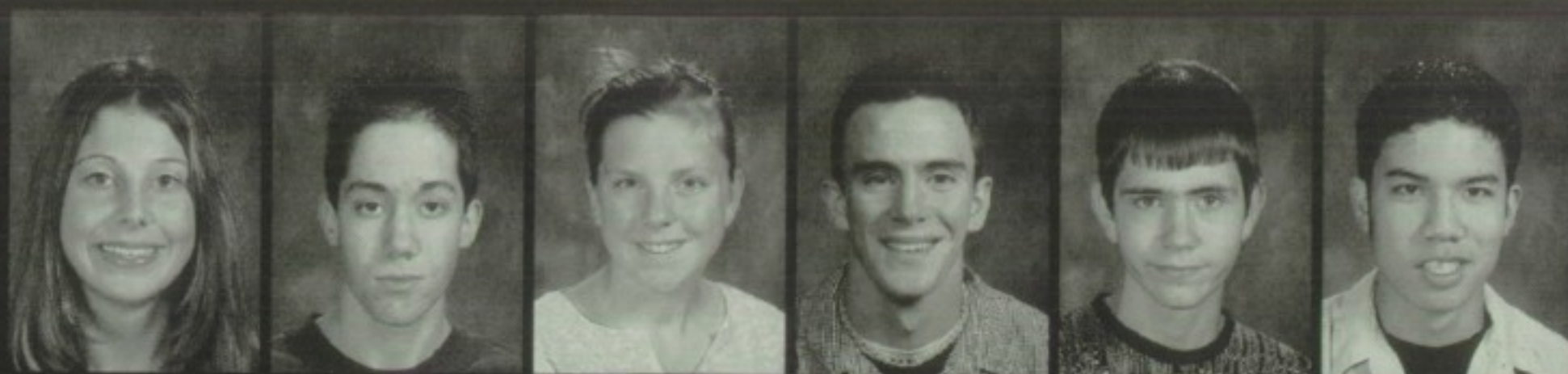
What's your favorite thing to
 do on the weekend?

“Sleep, I'm too busy during he
 week.”

Terah Mitchell
 9

Seniors

Michelle Diaz
Jon-Mychal Dixon
Amber Dohse
Donald Dollinger
Michael Doolan
Alexander Douglas



Molly Driscoll
Briana Durham
Renea Easey
Amanda Edie
Izsac Edsill
Sarah Edwards



Melanie Eggiman
Warren Endersbe
Catherine Enoviso
Stephanie Erickson-Fink
Alek Escobedo
David Farr



Rhandy Figueroa
Thomas Fisher
Ryan Flagg
Aimee Francois
Katrina Freeman
Michael Fryman



Sophomores

Adam Gares
Christopher Gillum
Joseph Gombas
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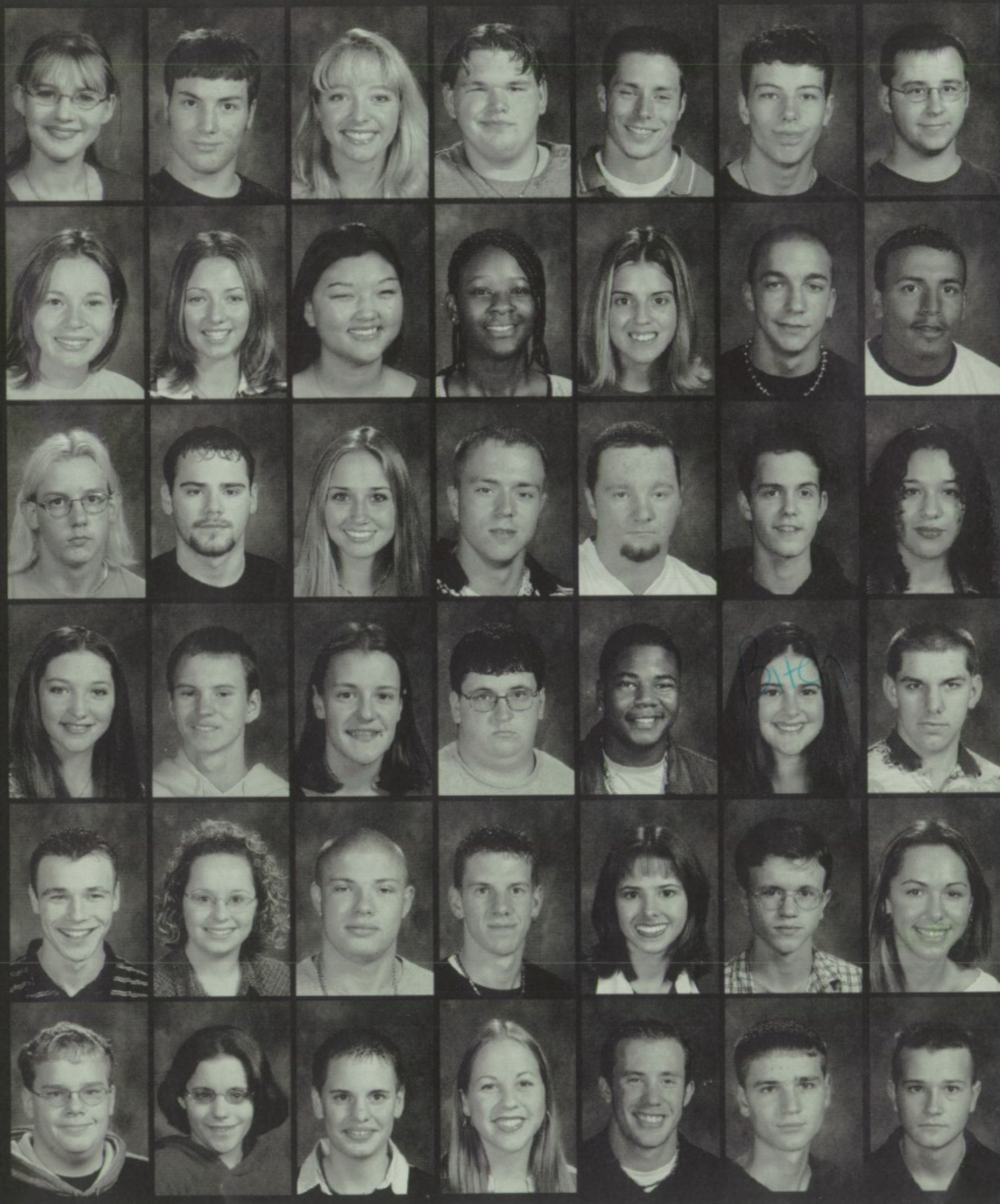


Freshmen

What's your favorite food in the...
Vending machines

5. Flipz 3. Snickers 2. Chex Mix
4. Air Crisps 1. Skittles

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 Allen Hanson
 Kaylen Harris
 William Helzer
 Steven Henri
 Thomas Henry
 Daniel Herlacher

Samantha Hester
 Casey Hike
 Lisa Hilburn
 Andreika Hill
 Quincy Hirko
 Shane Hoeck
 Nicholas Holcomb

Jonathan Holland
 Jonathan Hollars
 Kelly Holsapple
 Todd Hotchkiss
 David Houchin
 Ryan Huggins
 Rebekah Hughes

Kasey Humm
 Christopher Hundley
 Brittany Imgrund
 James Ingram
 Prentice Ingram
 Alaina Intlekofer
 Christopher Johnson

Zechariah Johnson
 Bonnie Johnson-Strawn
 Joshua Jones
 Andrew Kaup
 Clair Keene
 Colin Kehm
 Sheena Kennedy

Andrew Kiepke
 Melanie Klausner
 Isaac Kleven
 Erin Kolarik
 Anthony Kouba
 Jared Kouba
 Montana Kroupa

Why do you have your piercing or tattoo?

SCOOP

"I wanted to be different without being extreme, and I found the eyebrow piercing attractive."

Anne Champion, 11

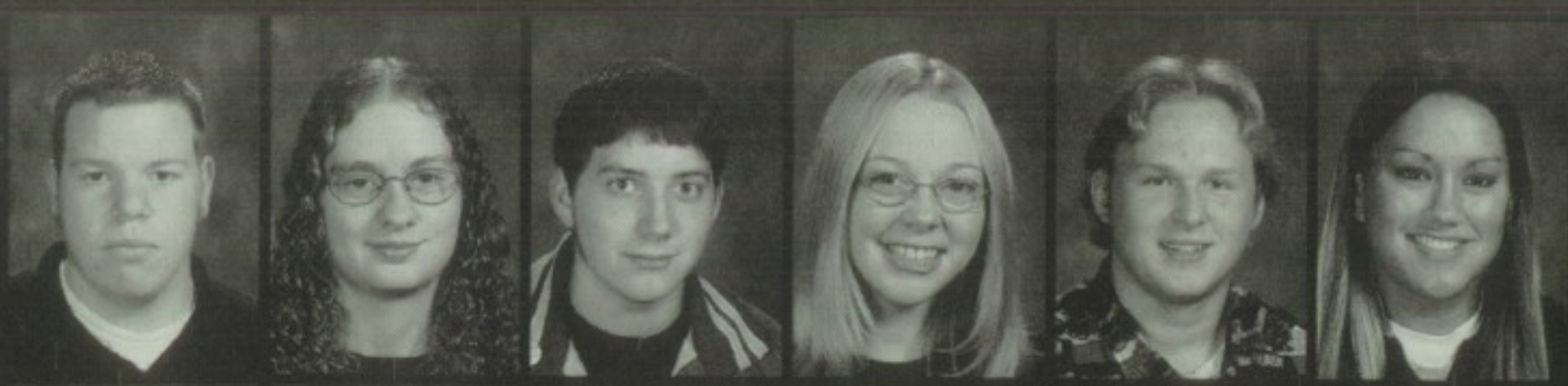
"I was being young and stupid"

Patty Daly, Math



Seniors

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Beth Lang
Joe Langford
Sarah Lawrence
Daniel Leazenby
Jennifer Leibhart



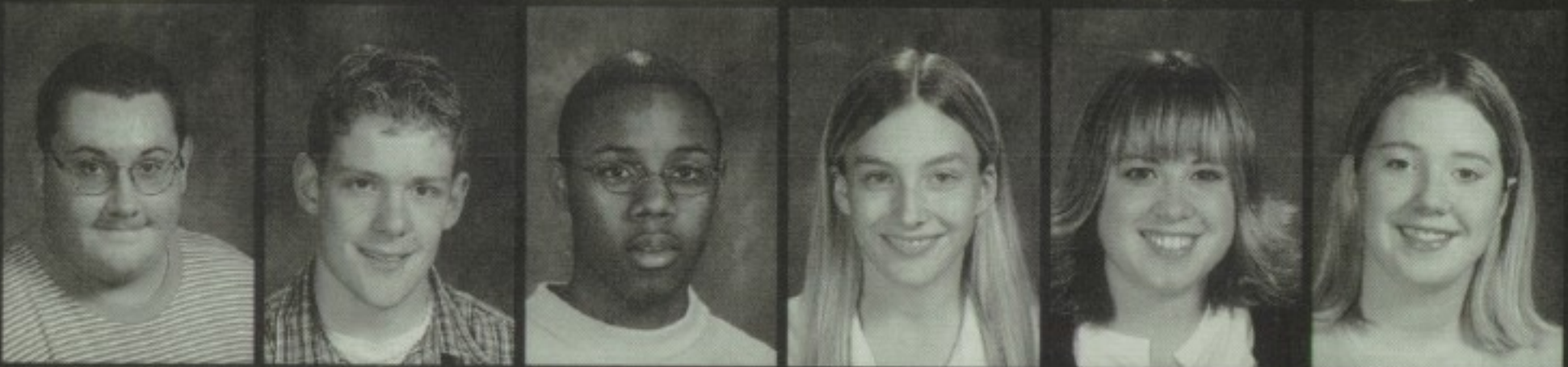
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Michaela Lombana
Michael Lucia
Amanda Lund
Michael Lynn



Justin Mally
Casandra March
Natalie Markley
Charles Martin Jr
Corey Martinez
Justin Mason



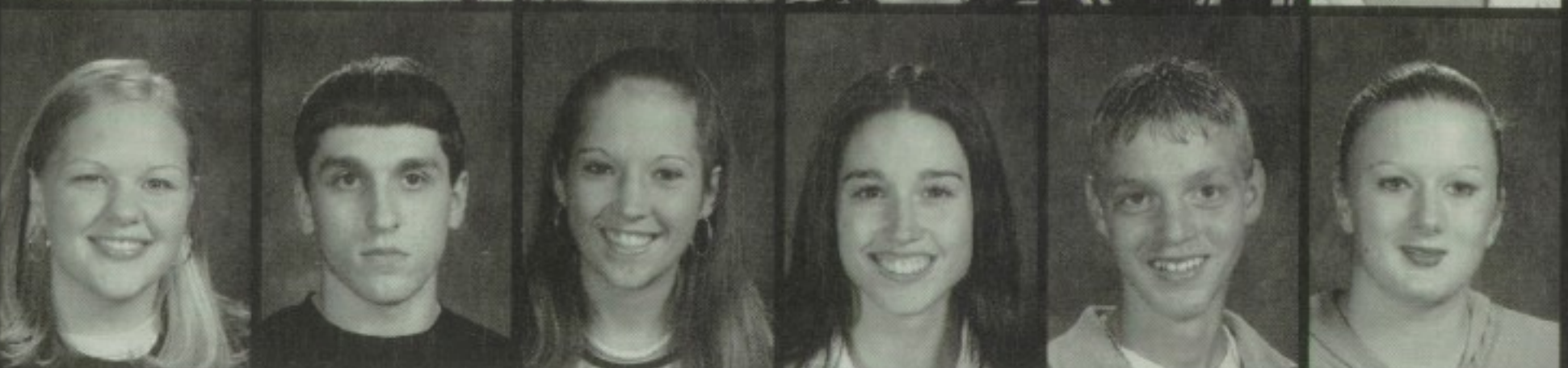
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Zaquentay McBride
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Amanda McConnell
Jennifer McCracken



James McDowell
Ryan McGlothlin
Heather McMahan
Ashley Mercier
Bradley Miles
Amber Miller

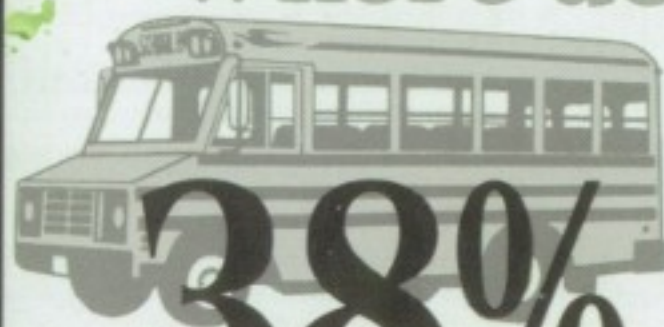


Sarah Miller
Shane Miller
Amanda Mitchell
Terah Mitchell
Brandon Miteff
Brandy Moore



Freshmen

Where do students spend more time?



38%

At school



26%

At home



12%

With boy or girlfriend



24%

Other

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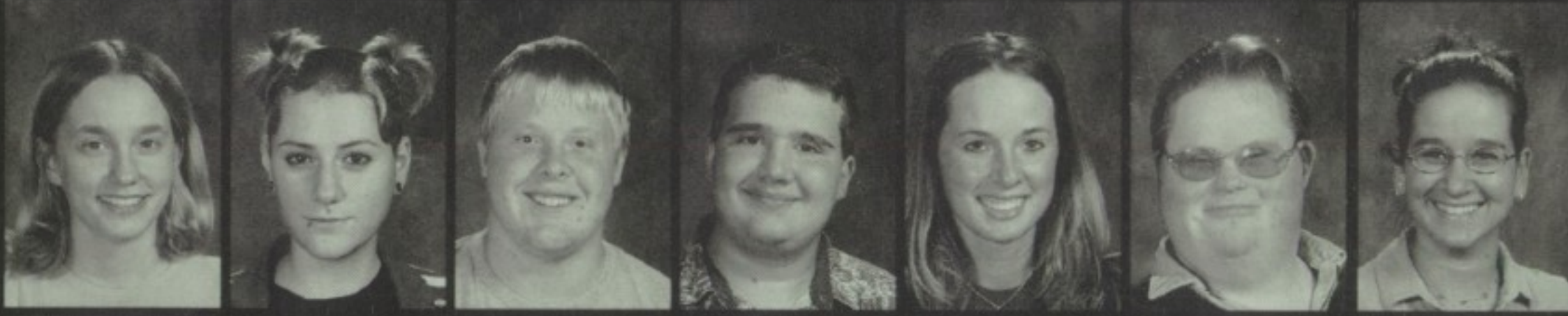
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 Quentin Muckle
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 Ashley Murphy
 Reginald Myers



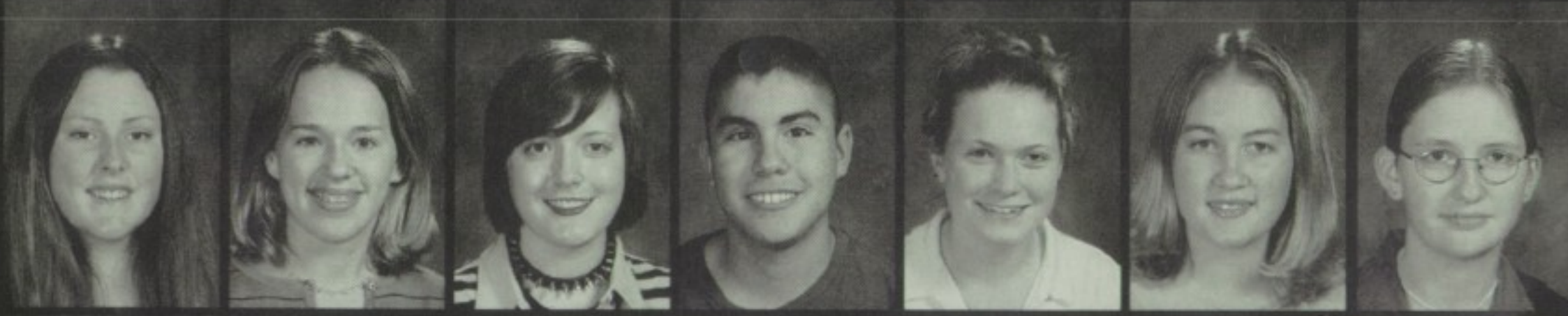
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 Abigail Nye
 Matthew O'Hanlon
 Burgundy Ohle
 Erin Olsovsky



Angela Owens
 Karen Owsley
 Shawn Pailot
 Jennifer Palmer
 Julia Paul
 Andrew Pawlak
 Stephen Phillips



Helena Pilachowski
 Natalie Pillen
 Brandon Plagmann
 Paul Pollak
 Ashley Postlewait
 Adam Puseman
 Ashley Quinze



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 Frances Reis
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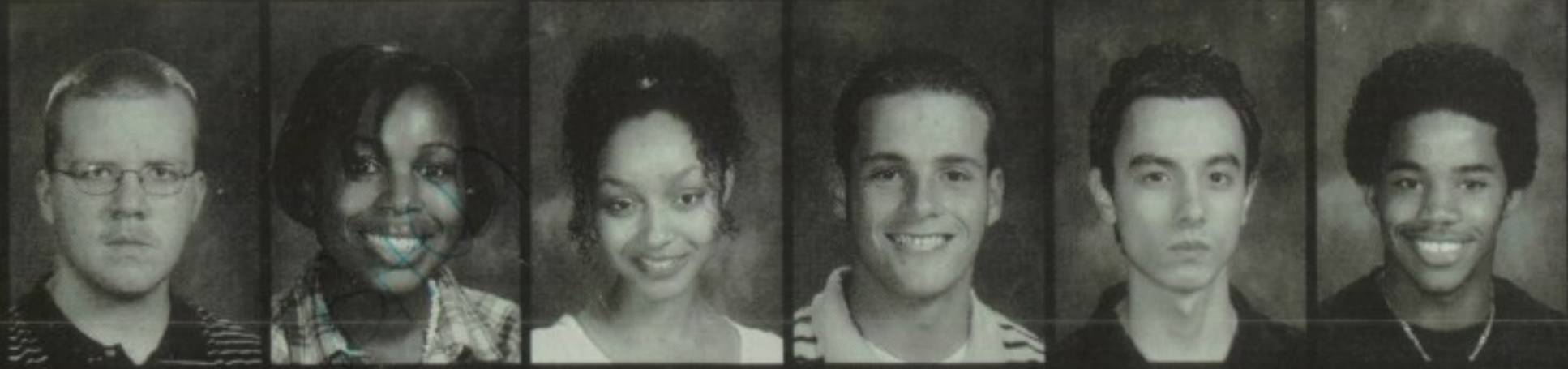
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 Kacie Sis
 John Smith



Joshua Smith
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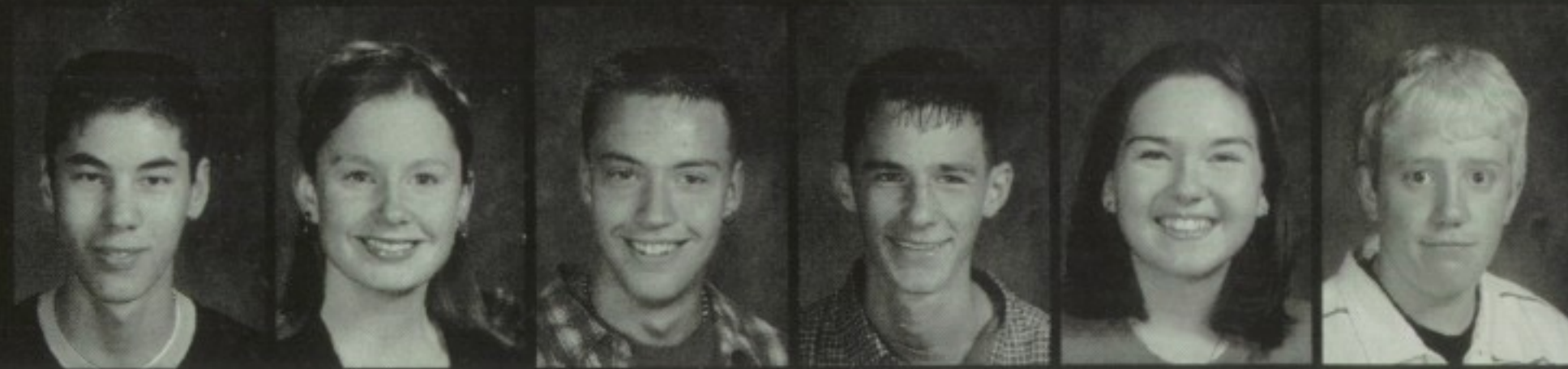
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 Marshall Warren
 Roger Washington



Patrick Watkins
 Jessie Watson
 Ryan Wedergren
 Brandon Weeks
 Paige Wernick
 Stephen West



Juniors

Sophomores

Freshmen

Talking with... Juniors

What's the coolest thing in
 your room?



"My T.V."
 Tony Bernon

"My sheriff gun set."
 Andy Kaup





Natalie White
 Dominique Whitehead
 Anthony Wilbur
 James Wilfong
 Kenneth Wilson
 Nakisha Wilson
 Daniel Windham

 Zachary Winkler
 Tracy Wolz
 Travis Wolz
 Brandon Wood
 Melissa Wood
 Crystal Woodiest
 Gregory Woolford

 Daniel Wright
 Tara Wulff
 Jessica Zielasko
 Matthew Zimmer
 Michael Zimmerman
 John Zurcher

What's in your...
Locker?

"A gummy bear, my textbooks,
 and my calculator."
 Sarah Eaton, 11

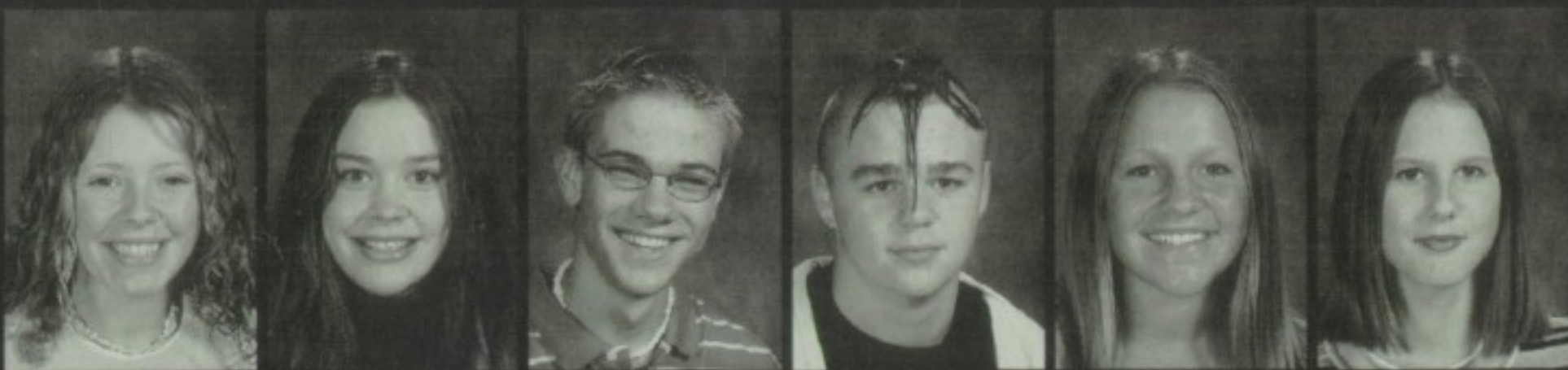
"A SpongeBob air freshener."
 Ashley Smith, 10

"Trash, books, pop
 bottles, and pictures."
 Matt Walls, 10



Seniors

Ashley Ackerman
 Jacqueline Adams
 Scott Adams
 Sean Ahern
 Erika Albright
 Brenda Alden



Brian Allison
 Jacquelyn Allison
 Christopher Amoury
 Terra Anderson
 Brandon Andrade
 Kyle Ankele



Alexander Anton
 Thia Armstrong
 Jennifer Arthur
 Stepfanie Austin
 James Bailey
 Phillip Bailey



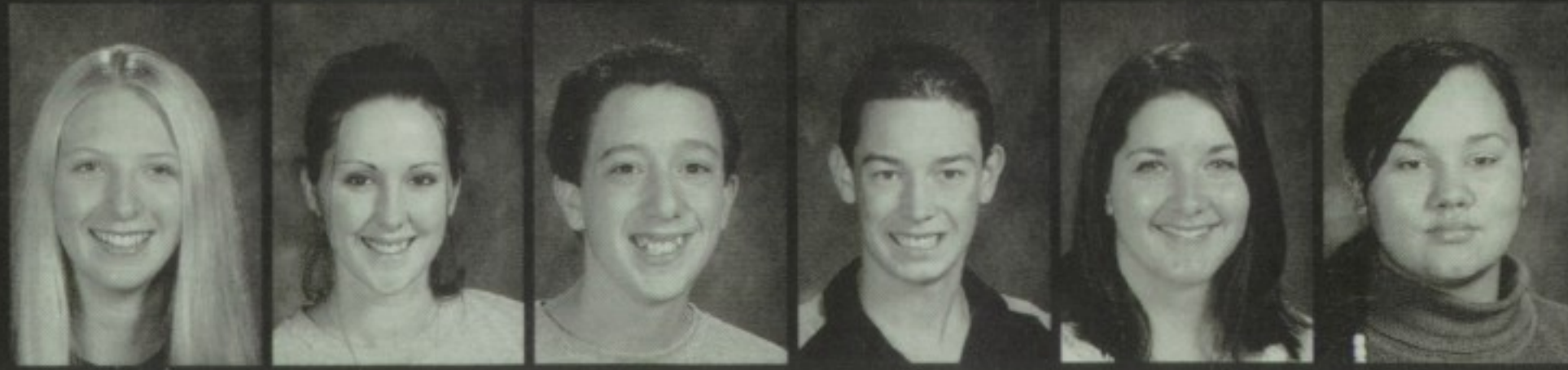
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 Samantha Baker
 Tyler Baker
 Ashly Banta
 Cody Barr
 Jessica Barr



Blake Bartenbach
 Timothy Benak
 Brittany Bengtson
 Angela Bentley
 Amber Best
 Jonathan Bigelow



Tara Billings
 Brittney Blakeley
 Thomas Blaurock
 Corey Borck
 Angela Bowing
 Desirae Bowyer



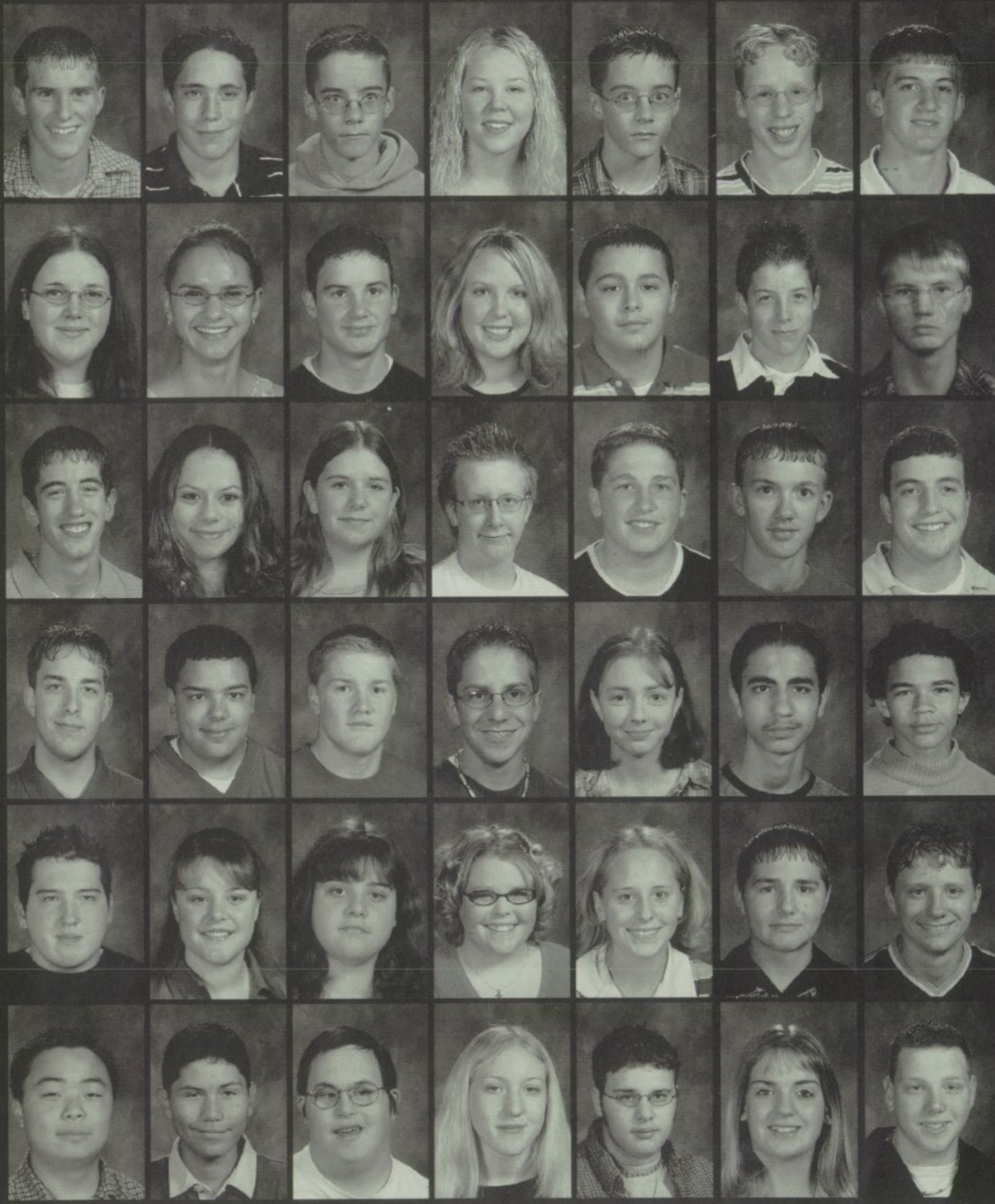
Juniors

Sophomores

Freshmen

- TOP 5** Things to do when you are bored.
1. HANG OUT WITH FRIENDS
 2. Watch TV
 3. Talk on the phone
 4. Go shopping
 5. Go to the movies

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Andrew Brown
 Donald Brown
 Joshua Brown
 Lindsey Brown
 Trevor Brown
 Joshua Bruns
 Jeffrey Buchholz

Megan Bullard
 Jasmine Burk
 Timothy Burton
 Avalon Campbell
 Joshua Canterbury
 James Carr
 Kelvin Carroll

Alan Castro
 Victoria Castro
 Amanda Cerra
 Mark Chervinka
 Michael Ciriaco
 Tyler Cloyd
 Justin Conley

Brandon Copeland
 Andrew Cordy
 Prestyn Corey
 Kyle Crick
 Catherine Crider
 Michael Crum
 Jacob Cunningham

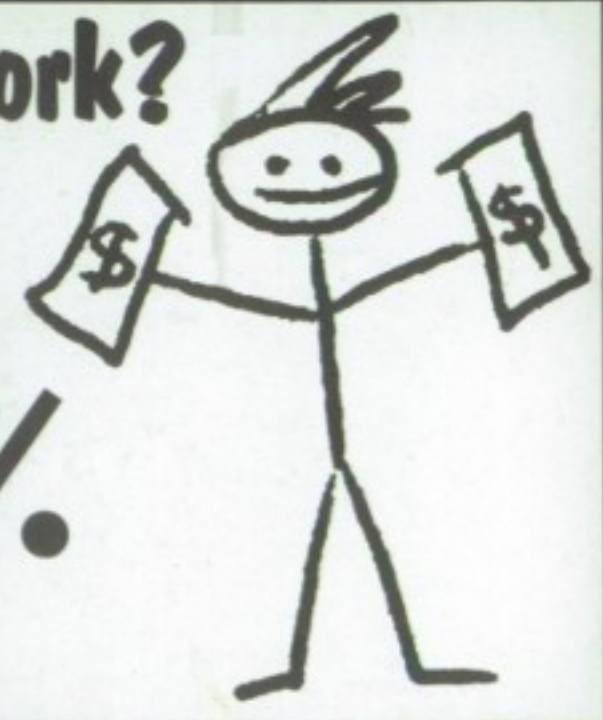
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 Sarah Danowski
 Kylene Davey
 Allison Davies
 Mark Davis
 Jeremiah Dawson

Brian Decinque
 Sebastian Delgadillo
 Donald Desuyo
 Jyssica Dewitt
 Benjamin Didamo
 Nora Digregorio
 Brian Dimmick

How many students at East work?

YES.
 33%

NO.
 67%



SCOOP

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Seniors

Leslie Dinius
James Donahue
Melissa Dooley
Mallory Douglas
Ariel Dowell
Christopher Duncan



Ashley Dupree
Jessica Durham
Linn Dvorak
Stephanie Easey
Stephen Easey
Sabrina Ebbing



Joseph Eckerman
Ashley Eidenmiller
Brittany Estep
Daniel Farley
Sean Feagan
Kathleen Filer



Michelle Filkins
Jennifer Foran
Dashiel Franta
Jennifer Freeney
Darrel French
Chad Frey



Kelly Frye
Shawn Gach
Brianna Gaines
Alaina Garcia
Matthew Garrett
Mark Geaney



Timothy Gekas
Matthew Gengel
Elizabeth Genualdi
Brittany George
Krista Gering
Sarah Getz



Juniors

Sophomores

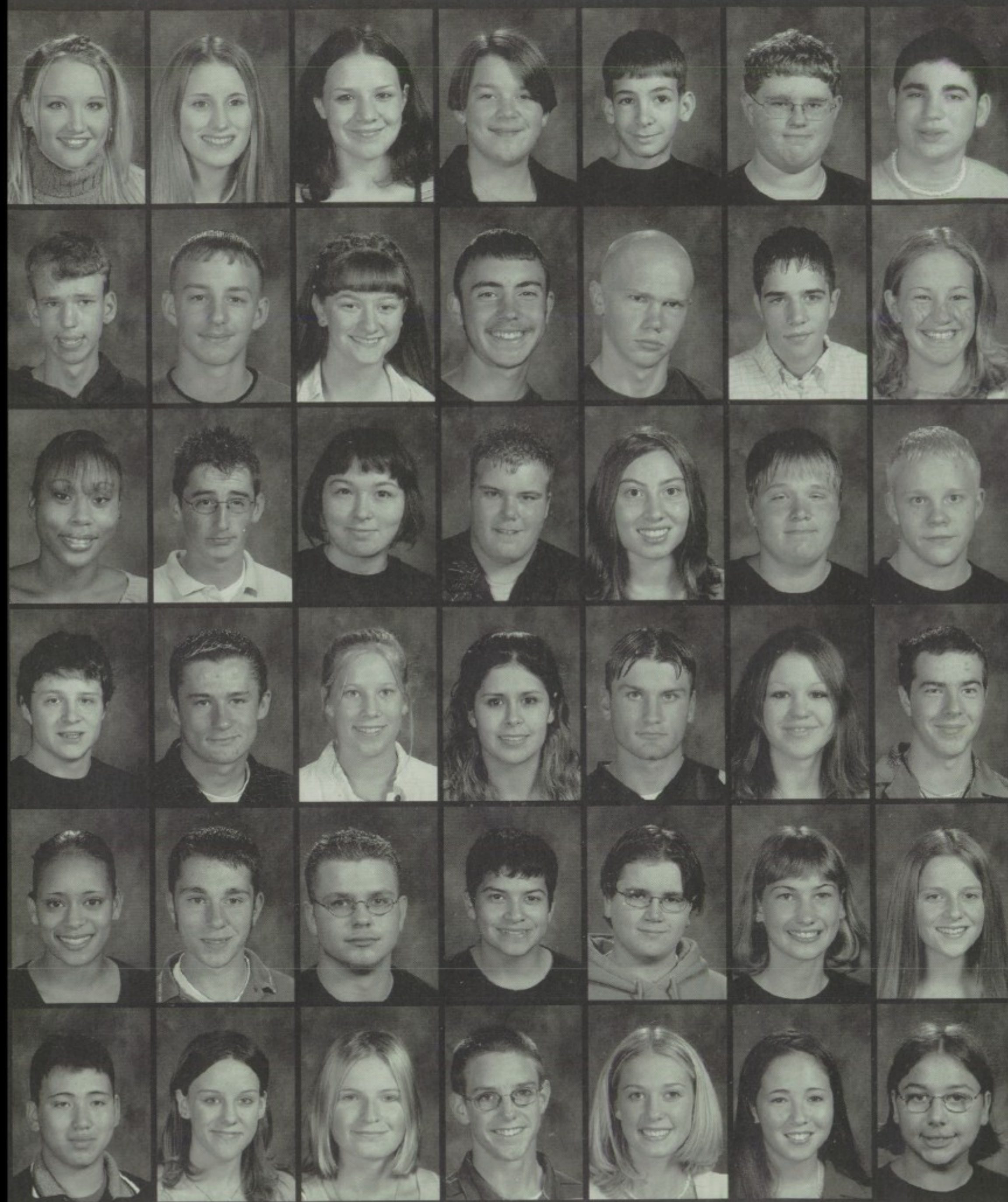
Freshmen

What do you prefer?

Coca-Cola
54%

PEPSI
46%

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Heather Gibbons
 Amanda Gibson
 Lori Gifford
Jeremy Gillmore
 Michael Gladson
 Jonathan Gombas
 Samuel Gonzalez
 Shawn Gronseth
 Brian Grout
 Heather Grout
 Michael Guericke
 Joseph Hamel
 Andrew Hansen
 Kassandra Harnden
 Chelsea Harper
 James Harris
 Tami Hartz
 Brandon Hausmann-Rhoten
 Ashley Hayden
 Branson Haynes
 Patrick Hedlund
 Richard Hedlund
 Zackery Heenan
 Amanda Heim
 Julia Heinz
 Enrique Hernandez
 Jessica Herrin
Colt Hester
 Jessica Hiatt
 Adam Hike
 Jay Hike
 Jonathan Hilario
Christopher Hoerner
 Michelle Hoins
 Emily Holdaway
 Steven Holman
 Spencer Holt
 Katie Homan
 Eric Holtmeyer
 Camila Hoogeveen
 Heather Hopkins
Travis Hubbell

What's in your purse?

"My keys, makeup,
 writing utensils"
Sam Lee, 10

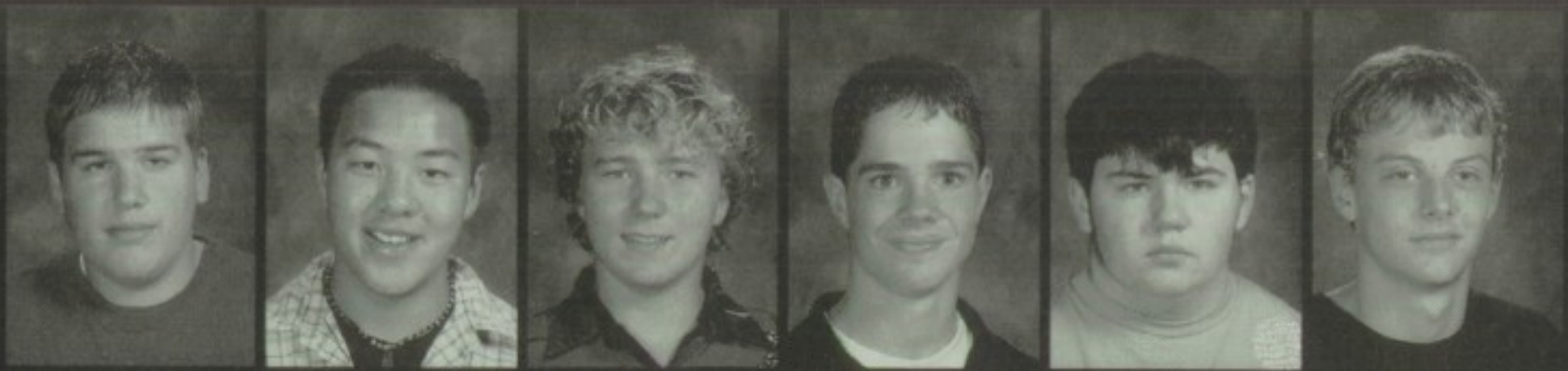
"Barbie Band-Aids"

Sarah Lawrence, 11



Seniors

Timothy Hudson
Jordan Huey
Jared Hull
Kent Hyllok
Jeffrey Ingram
Mark Isaman



Chelsey Isham
Anthony Jackman
Mariama Jatta
Jordan Jenkins
Robert Jenkner
Brett Jensen



Juniors

Courtney Jerome
Jennifer Jessop
Samuel Jezek
Amanda Johnson
Johnny Johnson
Kevin Johnson



Rochelle Johnson
Brian Johnson-Strawn
Kaitlynn Jorgenson
Kyle Joy
Olaf Julsen
Kenneth Kaczor

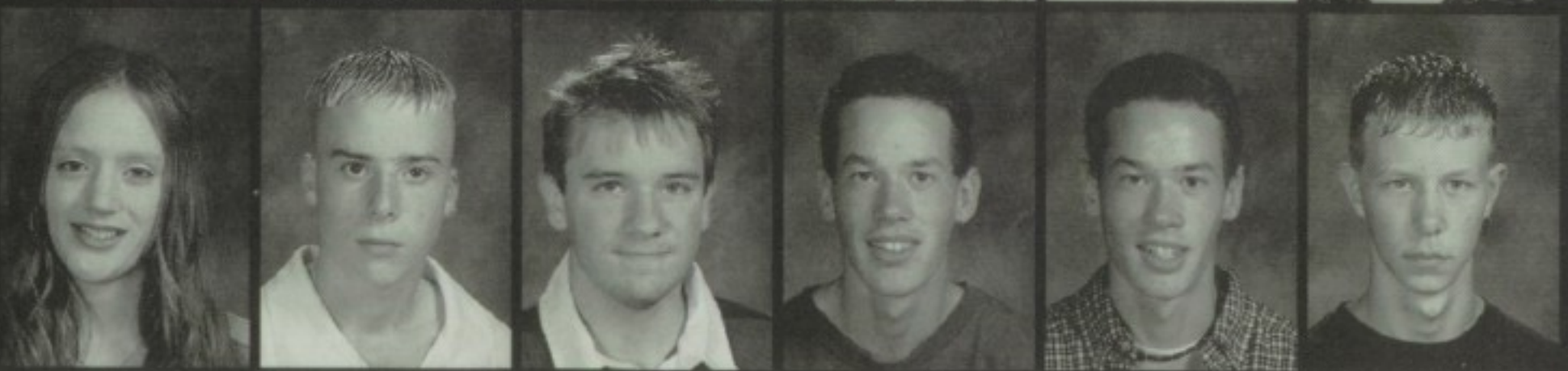


Sophomores

Korey Kaczor
Brandon Kea
Rabekkah Khor
Thomas Kinney
Colin Kirkeby
David Klassen



Miranda Klausner
Brandon Knoell
Christopher Koch
Jeffrey Kousgaard
Jonathan Kousgaard
Roger Kratzer



Freshmen

Talking with... ★ Sophomores

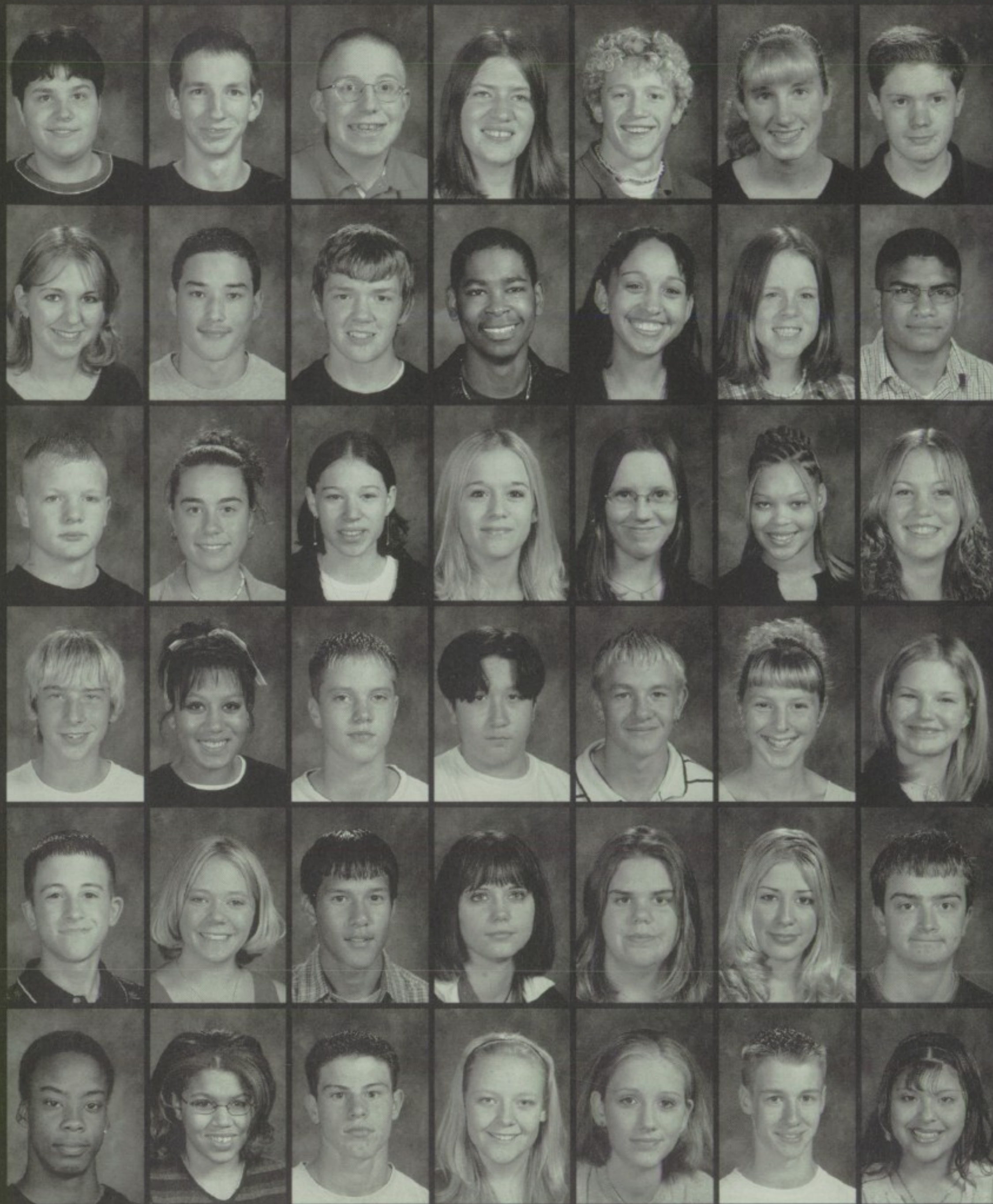
When did you get your first kiss?



“Josh Passler in the eighth grade”
April Wert

“It was one of the five girls I was dating in the third grade.”
Cody Barr





Samuel Kretzschmar
David Kring
Kyle Kroskey
Carolyn Kruger
Andrew Kumor
Jerrica Kyger
Stephen Laporte

Angela Larchick
Shaun Lark
Derek Latham
Jeremy Latour
Erika Lee
Samantha Lee
Ricardo Lemos

Joshua Lenahan
Danielle Lentsch
Angeline Lewis
Erica Liddell
Beth Liles
Ayanne Linder
Ashley Lloyd

Shane Lonowski
Ashley Loudd
Jason Lucas
Max Lyon
Raymond Macdonald
Amanda Mansavage
Lindsey Manzel

Michael Marnik
Jessica Martin
James Massengill
Lauren Massey
Nicole Mathis
Kaitlin Mattice
Stephen Mayfield

Edward McCaskill
Dianna McClary
Shane McConnell
Melissa McCoy
Ashley McCubbin
Marc Medbery
Crystal Mendez

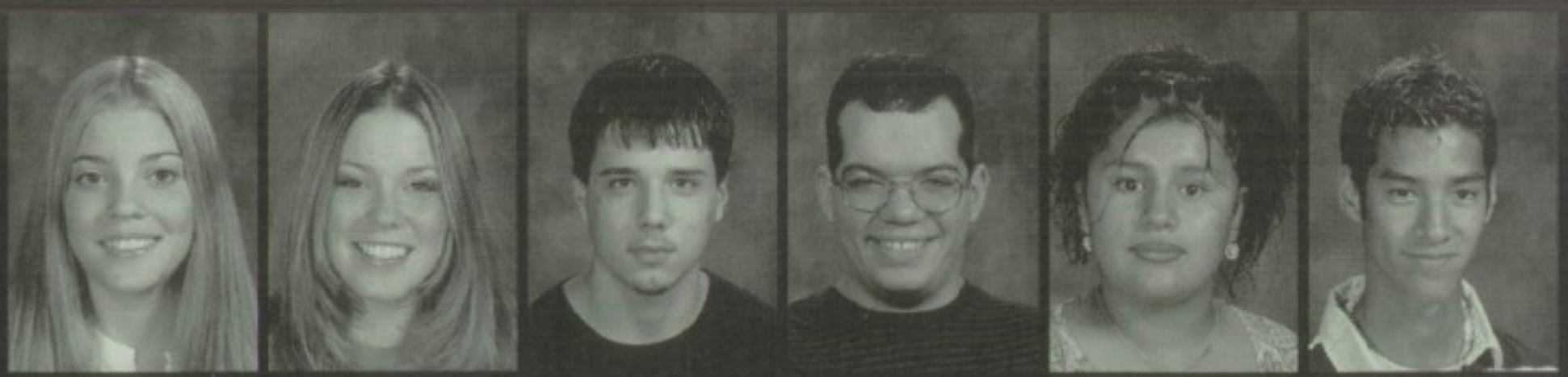
What
do
you
wear?

 **Contacts**
32%
Neither
43%

 **Glasses**
25%

Seniors

Karen Milford
 Karie Milford
 Gabriel Milos
 Jason Milos
 Claudia Minero
 Andrew Mitchell



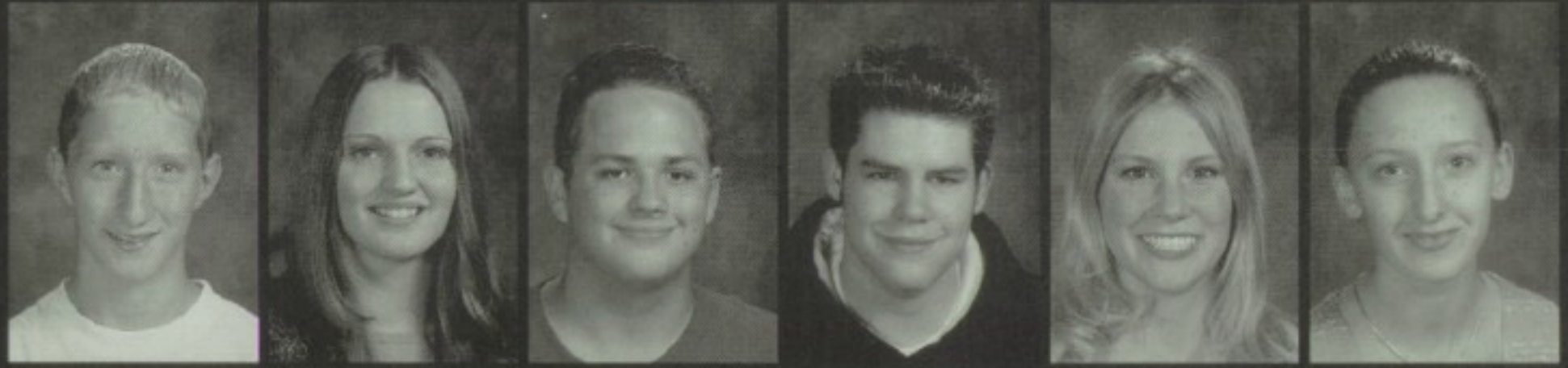
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 Leslie Mosley
 Amanda Nelson
 James Nicholas



Seth Nielsen
 Daniel Noble
 Lauren Novak
 Kathryn Nuzum
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 Jacob Orman



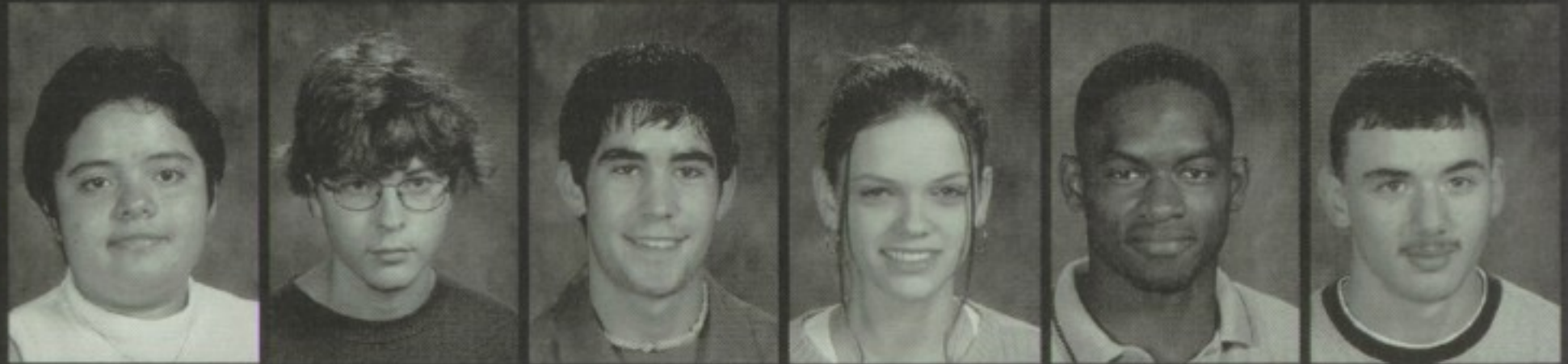
Robert Ortolano
 Cynthia Owen
 Erik Peters
 Cory Phephles
 Kelly Pilmaier
 April Plageman



Randall Plagmann
 Amanda Pollak
 Zachary Pomfret
 Rachelle Pope
 Sean Postma
 Zachary Powell



Alejandra Pulido-
 Hernandez
 Cody Puseman
 Sean Queen
 Cagney Radford
 Robert Rands
 Joseph Raymond



Freshmen

What's your favorite food in the...

Snack Shack?



5. Soup

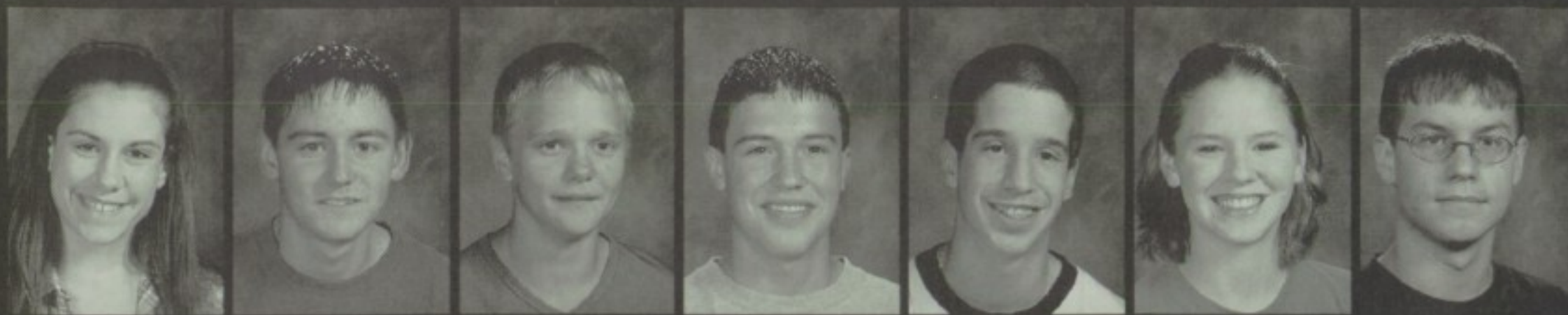
2. Ice Cream

4. Nachos

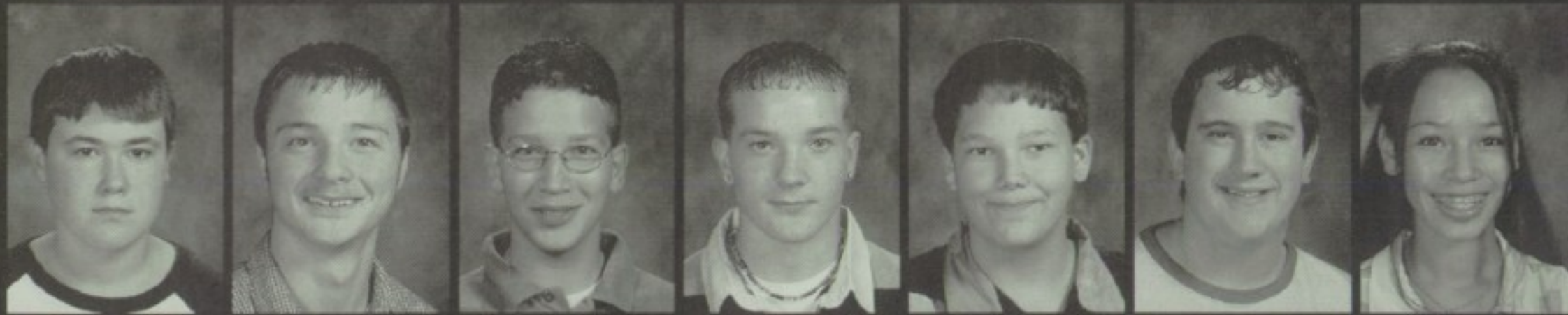
3. Bagels, Pizza Puffs, & Fries



1. Spicy Chicken Sandwich



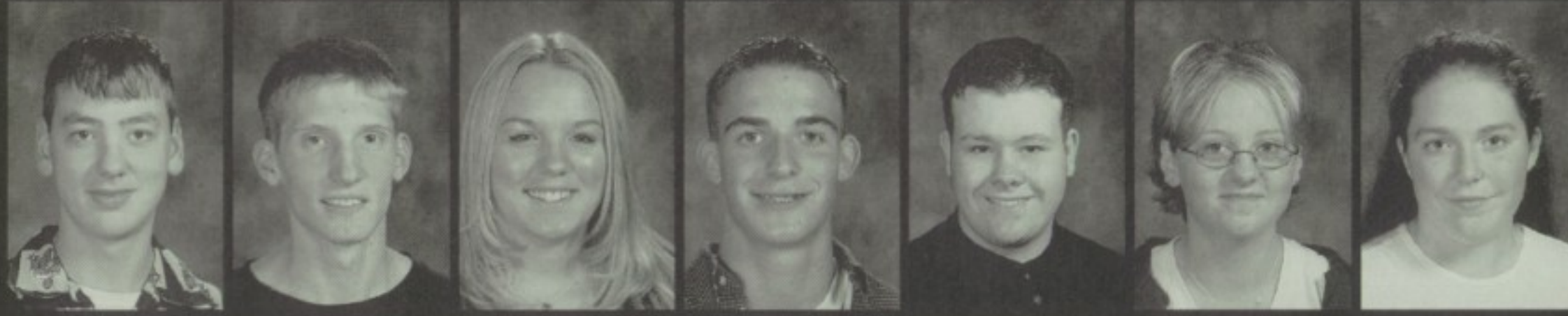
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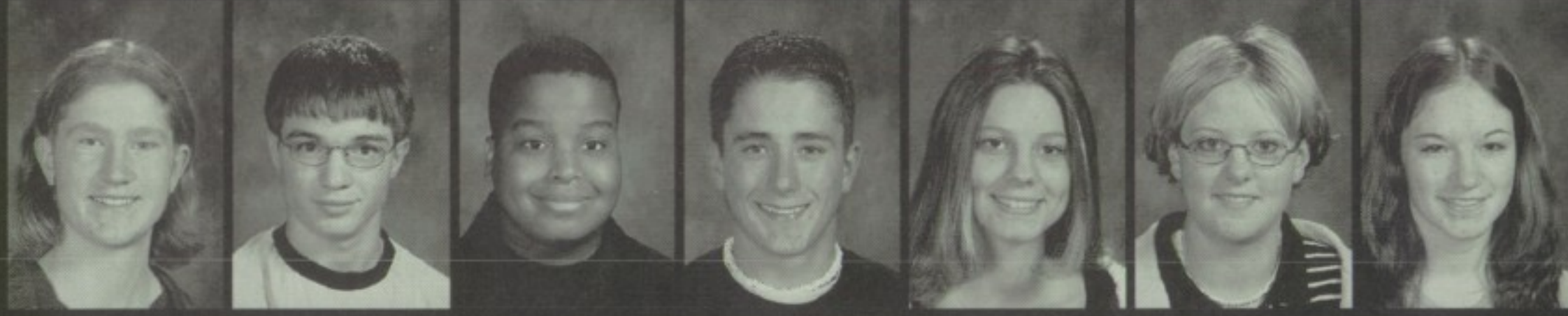
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 Austin Sailors
 Zachary Scallorn
 Austin Scarborough
 Daniel Schreiber
 Kandelyn Scott



Scott Seeba
 Jessalyn Seffron
 Andrew Senske
 Robin Sheldrake
 Sarah Shipman
 Mina Si
 Rachael Sigler



Peter Simmons
 Chad Simon
 Nikole Sloter
 Dustin Slottje
 Thomas Smaldone
 Ashley Smith
 Jamie Smith



Joshua Smith
 Matthew Smith
 Miles Smith
 Nicholas Smith
 Sara Smith
 Shona Smith
 Trisha Smithson



Darrius Solomon
 James Sons
 Ashley Spracklin
 Victoria Stanback
 Ashley Stednitz
 Dustin Stenseth
 Brittni Stephens



Eric Stevens
 Mathew Stewart
 Christopher Stockton
 Kevin Sueper
 Joshua Sundberg
 Benjamin Swoboda
 Dorsey Taylor

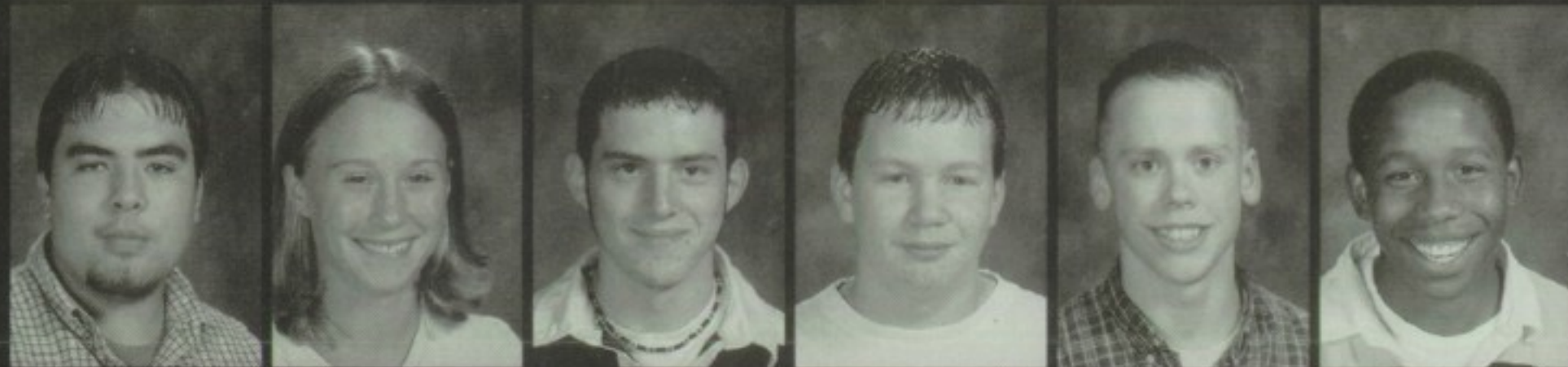


Seniors

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 Daniel Teselle
 Joshua Thiedke
 Argelis Tichinel
 Christopher Trageser
 Nicholas Verlaney



Mark Vincent
 Amanda Voegtli
 Jason Vonbehren
 Jacob Wagner
 Troy Wajda
 Avery Walker



Juniors

Jonathan Walker
 Matthew Walls
 Daniel Walther
 Sheri Ward
 Elyse Watson
 Katie Weeks



Charles Wells
 April Wert
 Adam Westby
 Jamie Whitmire
 Stewart Whitsett
 Joseph Wicker



Sophomores

Jessica Wickwire
 Joshua Williams
 Katie Willis
 James Willson
 Darcy Wilson
 Mindy Winkler



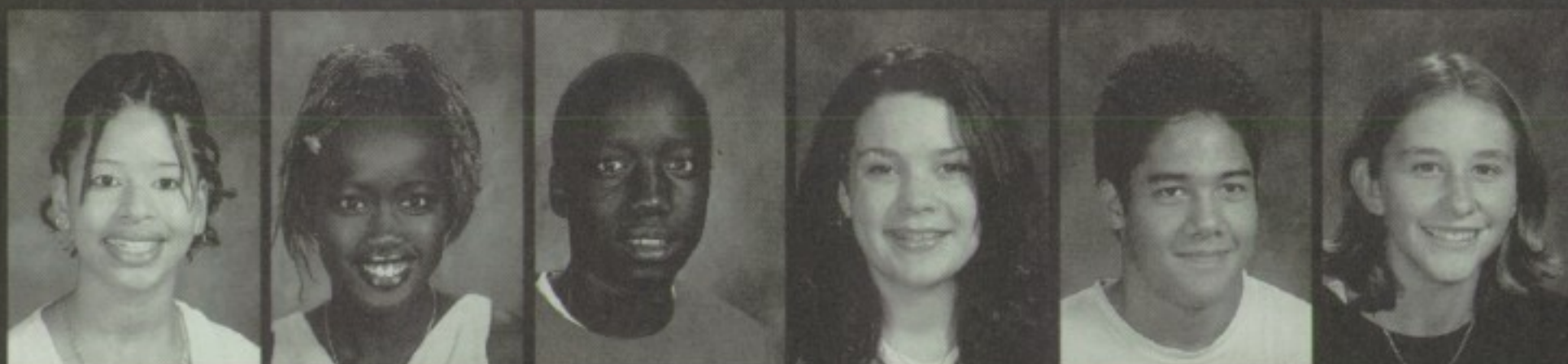
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 Janine Witzenburg
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 Edward Ysusi
 Jonathon Zgainer



Freshmen

Kristina Zielasko





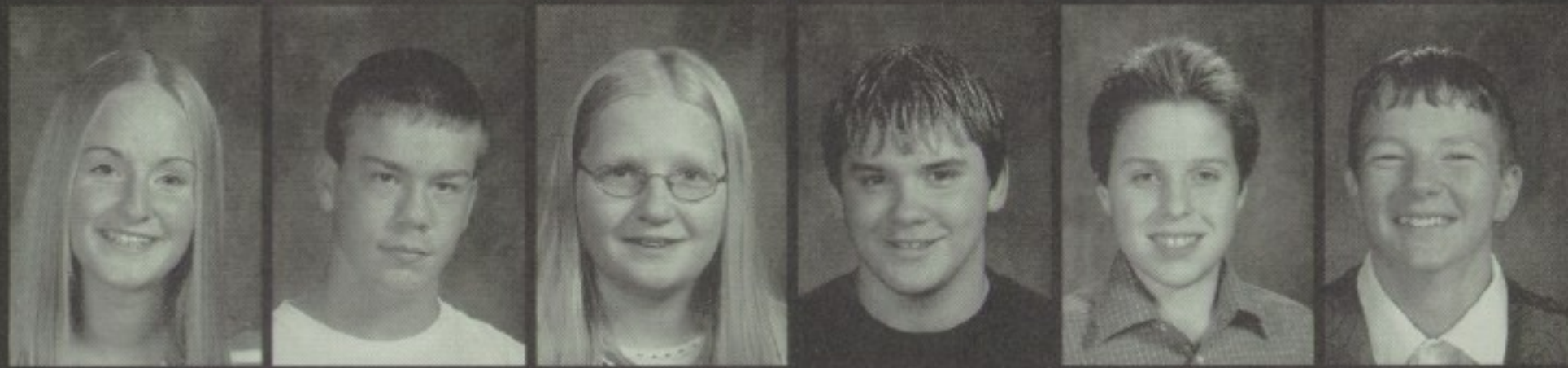
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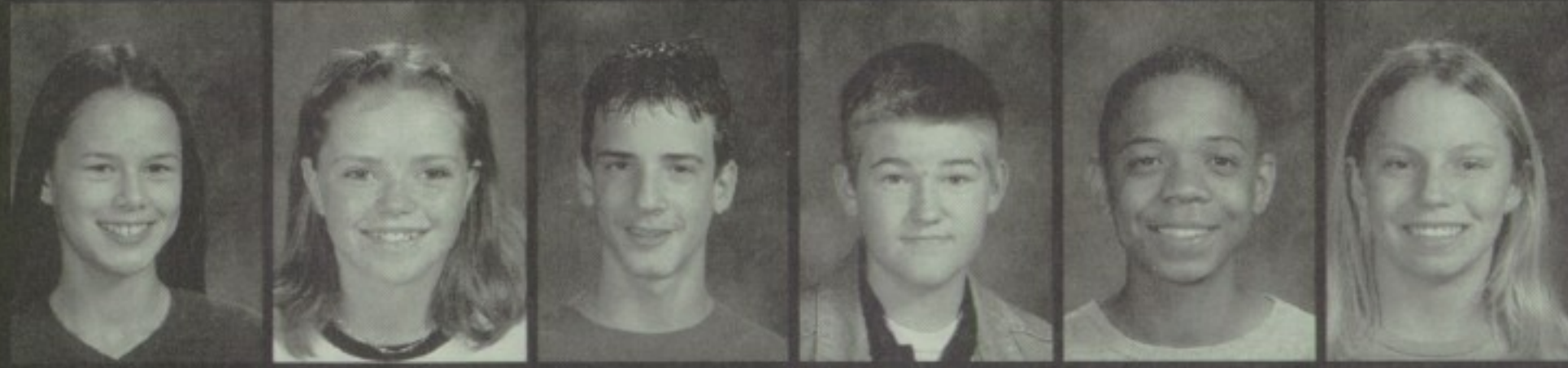
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 Tiarra Barnes
 Morgan Barrett
 Jessica Becker
 Ryan Beebe
 Joshua Belt



Victoria Bezy
 Dorian Biberdorf
 Michelle Birdsall
 Anthony Bland
 Cameron Blazek
 Marc Blodgett



Nathaniel Booth
 Courtney Borek
 Jonathon Botsford
 Joshua Bourgeois
 Marcus Bowling
 Tiffany Brady



Tiffany Brandenburg
 Jennifer Brewer
 Alex Britton
 Dakotah Bronk
 William Bryan IV
 Casey Buckland



Lindsey Burgess
 John Buss
 Kevin Butts
 Christopher Callao
 Tiffany Cameron
 Katherine Capps

Seniors

Juniors

Sophomores

Freshmen

Seniors

Bradley Carman
Amanda Carmichael
Mickala Carnley
Janeane Cervania
Matthew Champ
Jackelyn Chandler



Kevin Cheairs
Alexander Cherubin
Jesse Christensen
Jesse Clark
Gregory Collins
Amanda Cook



Robert Cory
Michele Costin
Brianna Cottrell
Zachery Craig
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Ryan Crum



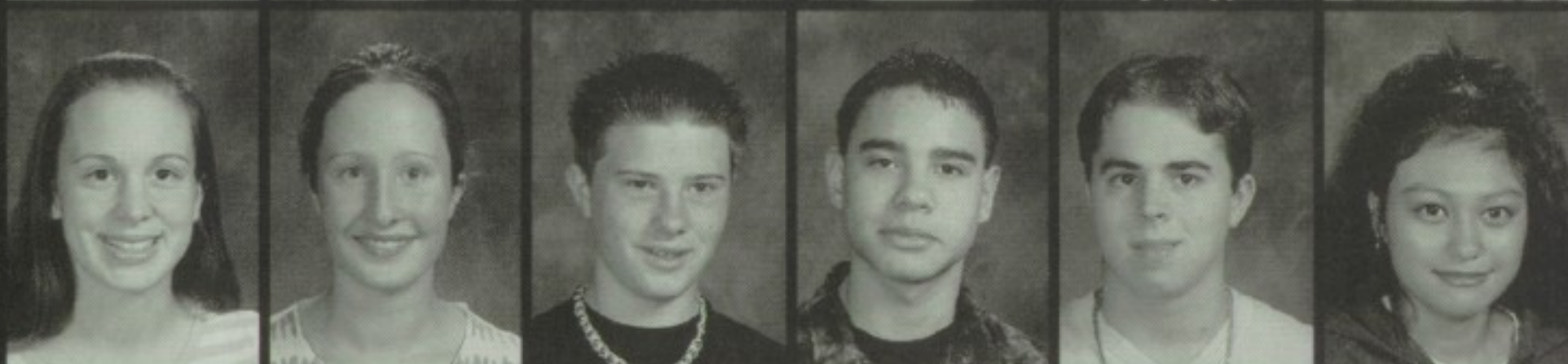
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Michelle Curry
Virgil Dalberg
Cassandra Daves
Amanda Davis



Ryan DeBuhr
Jennifer Dehaai
John Devol
Gina Dimauro
Troy Dinius
Madeline Doerr



Alison Doty
Victoria Doty
Christopher Dryden
Terrance Duley
Mitchell Durden
Laylanie Duron



Sophomores

Freshmen

What do students spend more time doing?

34%

On the Internet

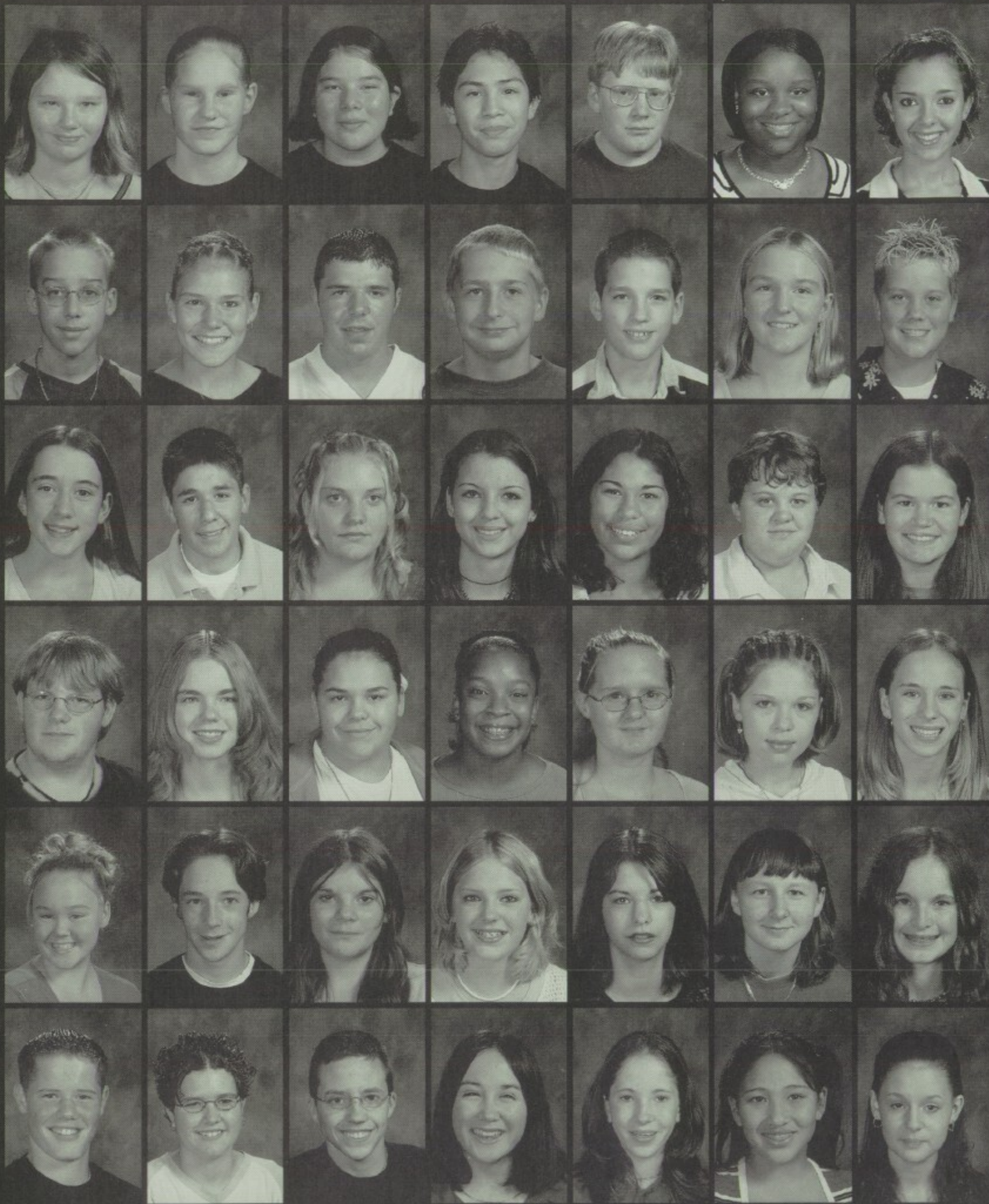
36%

Talking on the phone

30%

Watching TV

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Amanda Eggiman
Nicole Enos
Jericho Escobedo
Kenneth Evans
Britney Everett
Cassandra Finnell

Michael Fitzgerald
Kristina Fox
Stephen Fuller
Adam Gelb
Bradley George
Michelle Gilbert
Christopher Gilland

Christina Godwin
Jorge Gonzalez
Andrea Goodenberger
Samantha Grabowski
Nicole Graffius-Diaz
Ashley Grandstaff
Margaret Grange

Timothy Graves
Cynthia Griffin
Brittany Hall
Kayla Hall
Shamera Hall
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Sarah Hansen

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Kenny Harris
Shelia Harris
Ashlee Hauch
Kristin Henry
Kelly Herlacher
Maggie Herrmann

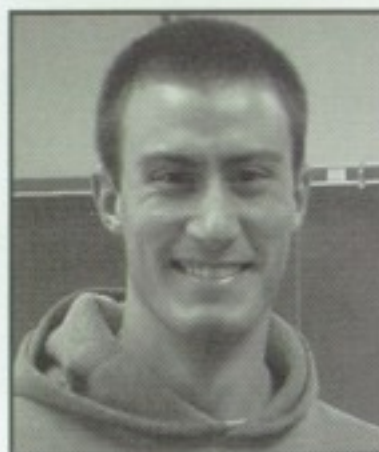
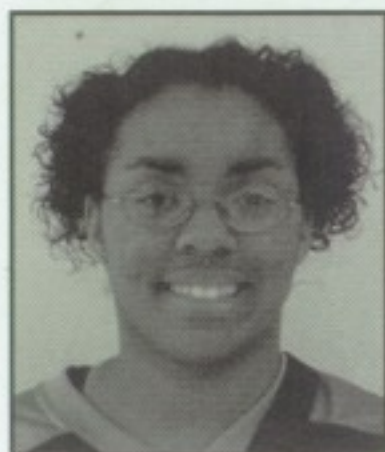
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Sara Hike
Roy Hinckley
Linda Hoang
Angelica Hoerner
Jessie Holman
Sara Holt

What do you think of PDA in school?

SCOOOR

"I don't really care as long as they aren't there for-ever."

Christyna Wells, 9



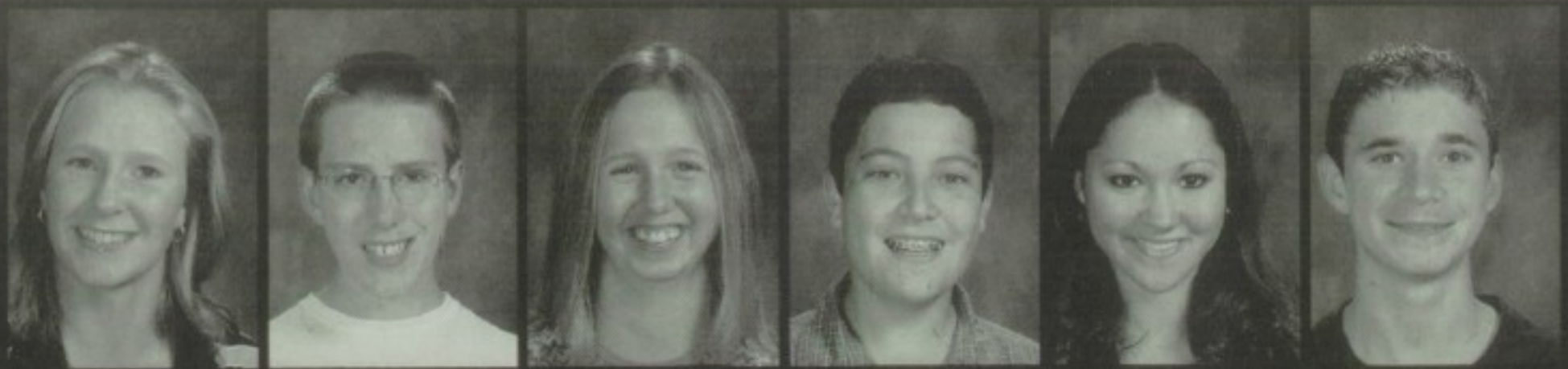
"I think it should be banned."

Greg Filer, 12



Seniors

Audrey Homan
George Hopkins
Amanda Hopper
Justin Horn
Laura Hoskins
Seth Hudgins

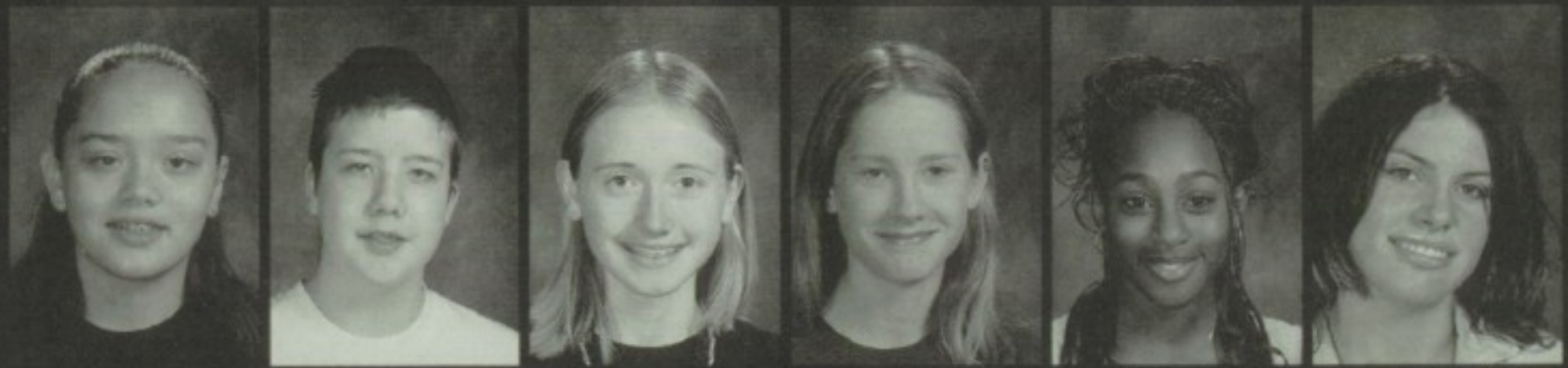


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Autumn Huey
Becky Huff
Kristin Huggins
Brittany Hulett
Lukas Hulett

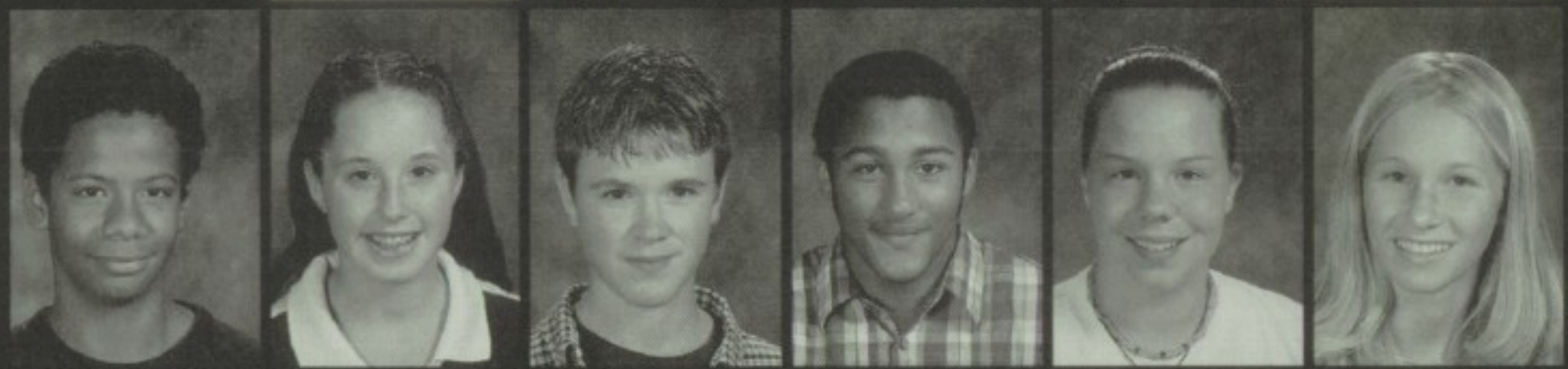


Juniors

KC Humphries
Andrew Hybarger
Sara Jackson
Deborah Janssen
Cierra Johnson
Audrey Jones



Phalen Jones
Jessica Jungers
Clinton Kehm
Michael Kerber
Melynne Kessler
Alisha Kettleson



Sophomores

Jonathan Kiepe
Loni Kirby
Holly Knott
Kristofer Knudson
Peter Kostrunek
Branden Kruckman



Christopher Kueffer
Felica Labille
Peter Lacasse Jr
Clair Lacosse
Danielle Lash
Micah Laufenberg



Freshmen

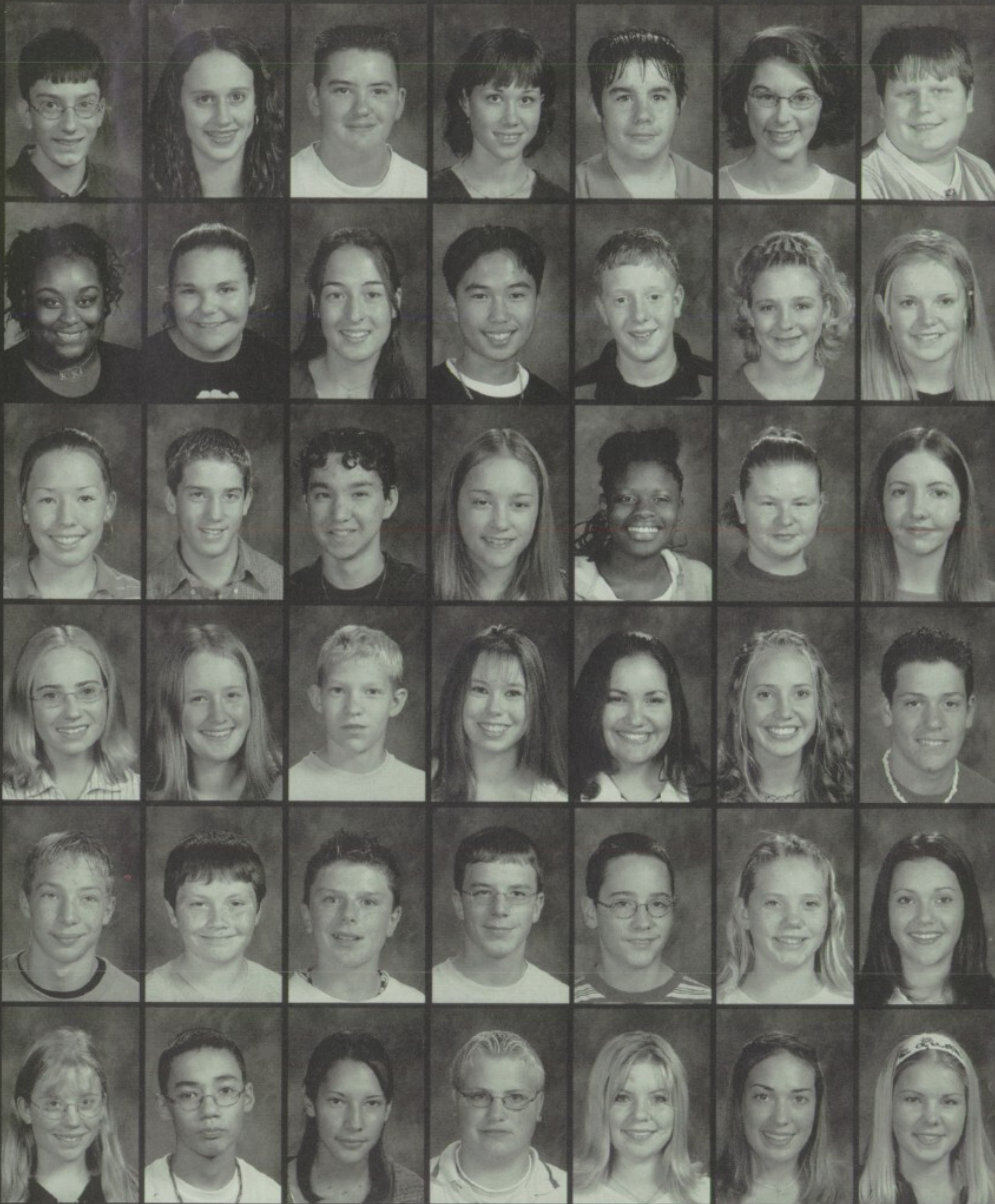
What do you know about your school?

1. How many Family & Consumer Science teachers were there?
2. How many custodians worked at East?
3. Who was the Media Specialist?
4. How many students were at East?
5. What was Bellevue East's fight song?



1. 2: Sandie Hanna and Jennifer Hundotte
2. 16
3. Laura Pietsch
4. 1,358
5. "Anchors Aweigh"





Kevin Laurenti
Cassandra Lawrence
Ryan Lentsch
Heather Lewis
Thomas Lickly
Marie Little
Sean Livengood

Cherease Logan
Tasha Loudermilk
Rachel Lowery
Kelvin Lozano
Austin Macaitis
Anna Mace
Katina Mantzaris

Rebecca Marsh
Alex Marshall
Jason Marter
Krysti Martin
Ashley Mason
Jocelyn Mason
Kailah Masters

Laura Masters
Jane Mathew
Thomas McCloskey
Brianna McCormack
Stephanie McCormick
Felicity McCoy
Thomas McCoy

Zachary McDonald
Jeffrey McIntyre
Joshua McKean
Jacob Merrill
David Meyers
Andrea Michel
Courtney Miller

Michelle Miller
Ryan Miller
Linda Mitchell
Brandon Monasmith
Michelle Morehead
Danielle Morrow
Laura Mosher

What's in your...
backpack?

"Super bouncy balls."

Marc Medbery, 10

"My cheerleading Pom
Poms."

Loni Kirby, 9

"My sister's college
stuff."

Jordan Jenkins, 10



Seniors

Jasmine Mosley
 Natasha Mueller
 Nicholas Munch
 Eugene Murriell
 Jeremy Neu
 Lindsey Nielsen



Kate Niemier
 Justin Norris
 Tabetha North
 Jessica Northern
 Jacob Nosal
 Christopher Noyes



Juniors

Zachary Oehm
 Kyra Olson
 Spencer Osler-White
 James Owens
 Kristina Owens
 Margeaux Perris



Ashley Peterson
 Anthony Pilmaier
 David Pingleton
 Desiree Place
 Sarah Plagmann
 Machaela Player



Sophomores

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Jessica Radke
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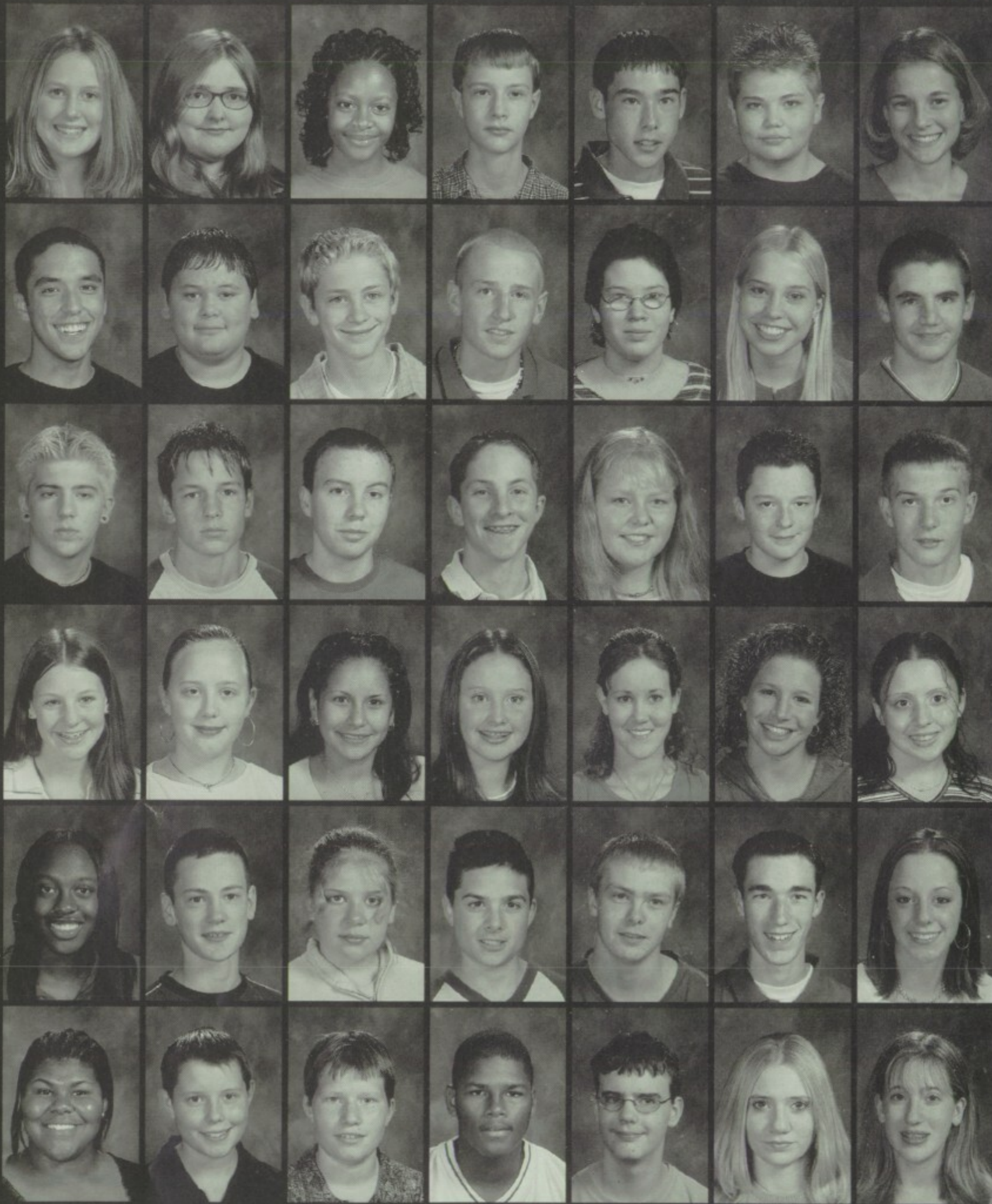
Freshmen

What do you prefer?

NIKE
54%

adidas
46%

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 Alyxandria Roark
 Teena Robinson
 Jordan Roehl
 Cory Rogers
 Darren Rolston
 Kayla Rynders

Rogelio Saladrigas
 Joseph Sands
 Shane Schaefer
 Joshua Schaff
 Stephenie Schmidt
 Lori Schneckloth
 Myron Schneider

William Schram
 Seth Schroder
 Michael Schultz
 Anthony Schuster
 Sarah Score
 James Secor
 David Seeley III

Emily Senske
 Patrisha Serfass
 Yesenia Shaffer
 Stephanie Shank
 Autumn Shapland
 Juliet Silberstein
 Catherine Simons

Alicia Sims
 Jonathan Sims
 Tiffany Skare
 Alan Smith
 John Smith
 Joshua Smith
 Kaitlynn Smith

Nicole Smith
 Gary Sons
 Timothy Sons
 Leon Spencer
 Marcus Sprague
 Deborah Spring
 Caitlin Standifer

**TOP
 5**

I can't leave home without...

- 5. Watch
- 4. Chapstick
- 3. Cell Phone
- 2. Wallet
- 1. Purse

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Seniors

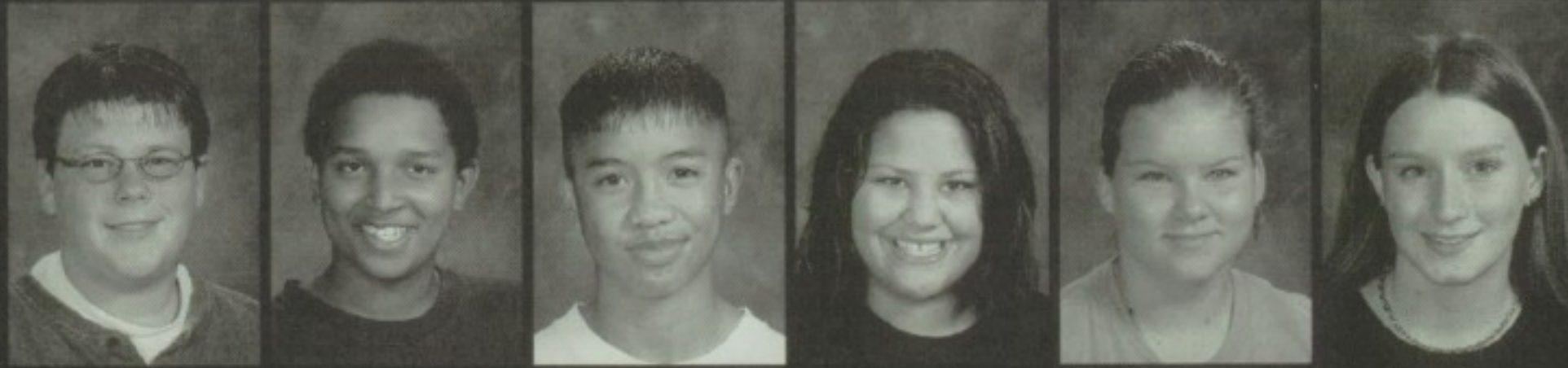
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Johnathon Sudik



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Christina Trout



Steven Turner
William Tyler
Reynaldo Valdez
Sara Vasquez
Brittani Velie
Kayla Voiles



Elizabeth Von Behren
Christopher Wagner
Jonathan Walker
Caleb Wampler
Christopher Ware
Jaquawna Watts



Juniors

Krista Wayne
Derek Weakley
Kirstin Weeks
Christyna Wells
Nathan Welsh
Jennifer Wermuth



Jessica Werner
Jerica Wild
Stacey Williams
Crystal Williamson
Ashley Wilson
Drake Wilson



Sophomores

Kristina Yancey
Treightin Yates
Philip Ybay
Erika Young
Trevor Young
Andrea Younger



Faculty



Phil Alcocer, Chemistry
 Susan Baird, English/Journalism
 Jill Bakewell, History
 Bruce Bartholow, Biology AP
 John Barton, American Gov.
 Sarah Bird, Business

Julee Boeshart, English
 David Bossman, English
 Pat Branson, German
 Wendy Brdicko, English
 Renee Brown, Para
 Teresa Brown, Para

Phil Burlingame, Social Studies
 Richard Casey, JROTC
 Mike Chudomelka, Counselor
 Carolyn Clark, Para
 Dave Clarke, Math
 Shari Covi, Spanish

Kent Crossley, Woods/ Metals
 Tracy Davis, English
 Vivian Davis, Principal's Secretary
 Vickie DeBuhr, Spanish
 Bart Dennis, Marketing
 Michele Dort, Spanish

Veronica Falkner, Spanish
 Megan Fiedler, English
 Elizabeth Franklin, Special Ed. Para
 Melissa Goldax, Debate/ English
 Sandie Hanna, Foods
 Janet Hansen, Counselor
 Susan Hansen, Speech
 Ron Hardin, Band
 Julie Harding, Special Ed.
 Greg Hartel, Biology AP
 Tobin Higgs, Physical Ed.
 Kory Hill, Special Ed.

Administration

★ Talking with... Teachers What advice would you give to seniors for college?



“Don’t get distracted by the fun part of college.”
 Julie Kabourek, Math

“Don’t skip classes, even though you can get away with it, because you are paying for it.”
 John Campbell, Forensics



Faculty

Vickie Hochreiter, Math
 Tina Holbrook, Math
 Teresa Holton, Counselor
 William Ickes, JROTC
 Bill Jelkin, History
 Steve Johnston, Ind. Tech



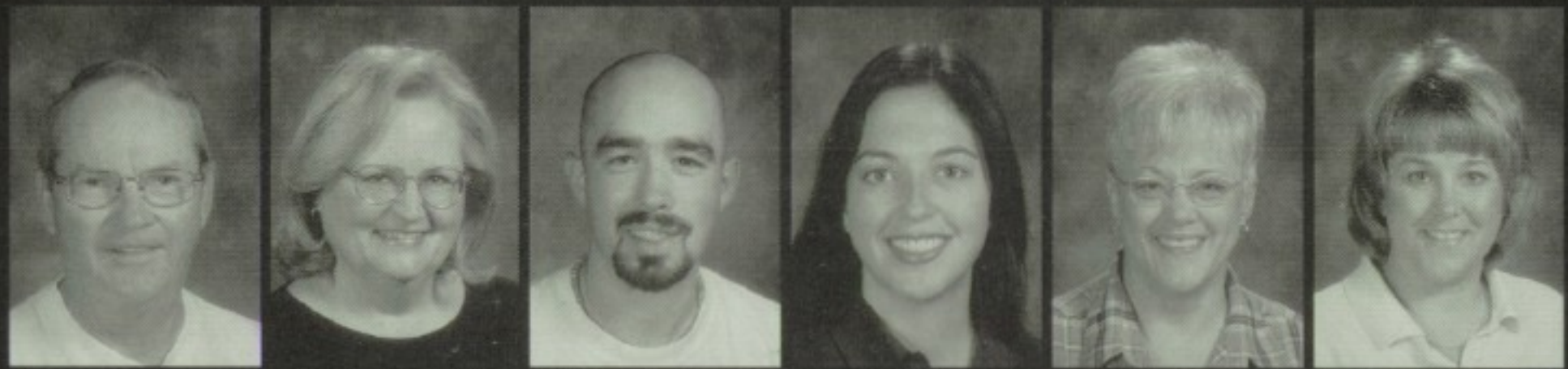
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 Bob Keller, Art
 Les Kinney, Math
 Patty Kluver, Resource
 Mary Koehly, Science
 Dorothy Krasa, Resource



Karen Lehman, Special Ed.
 Kathy Liebenguth, English
 Ron Lintz, History
 Jerry Lovell, Biology
 Carla Manchester, English/
 Journalism
 Angie Marshall, Special Ed. Para



Marty McLaughlin, Geography
 Lynn Mesnard, Resource
 Steve Muller, Physical Ed.
 Brenda Nelson, English
 Jackie Novotny, Counseling
 Secretary
 Karin Nye, Para



Laura Pietsch, Media
 Michael Pilmaier, SRO
 Todd Porter, Geography
 Barbara Prodouc, Para
 Dionne Quick, Special Ed.
 Arlen Quinn, Math



Susan Quint, Drama
 Lance Raabe, American
 Gov.
 Amy Reoh, Woods
 Pam Rice, Media Para
 Chuck Rombach,
 Physical Ed.
 Kelly Sain, Math



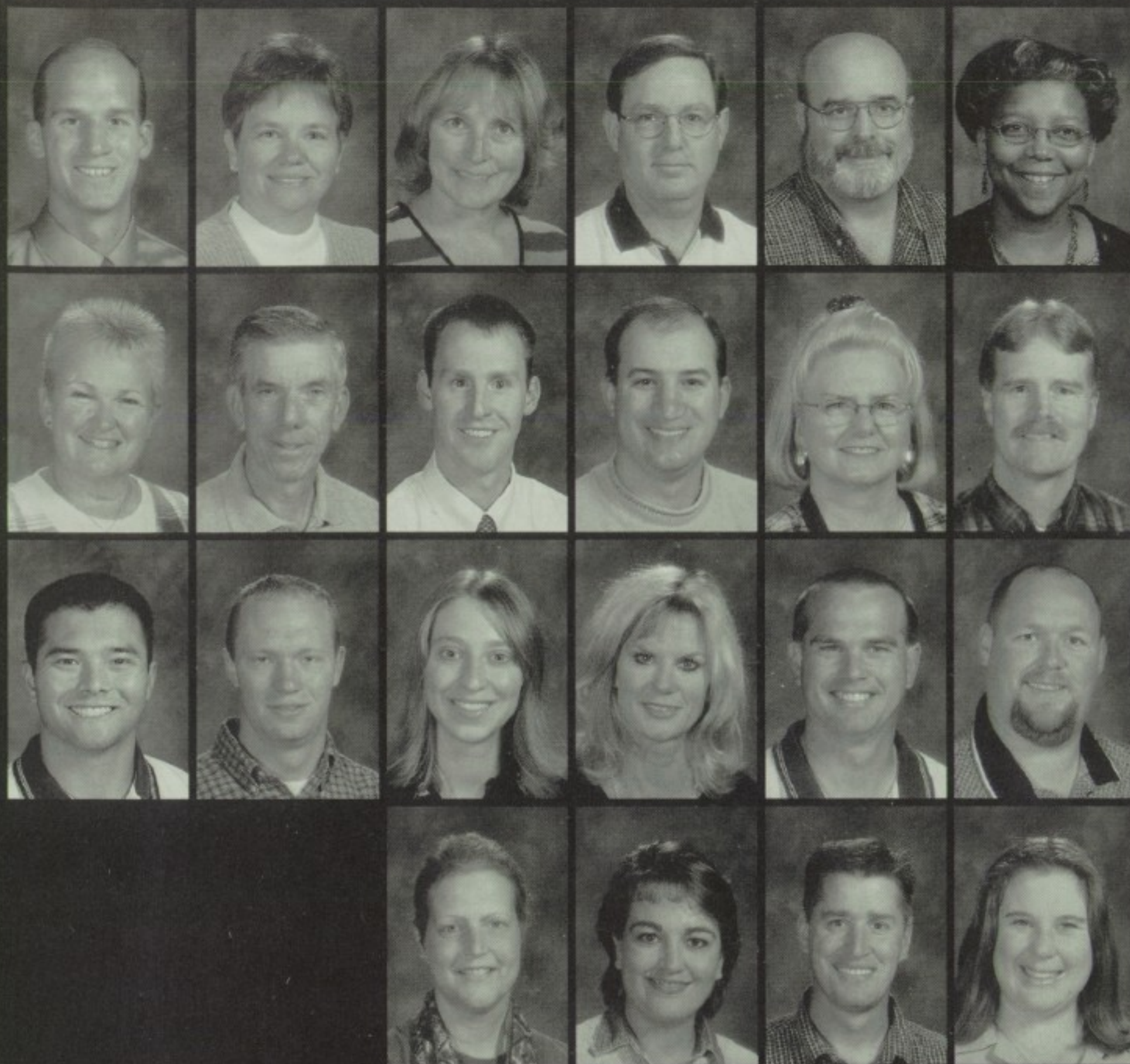
Administration

What's in your
desk?

A Hawaiian lei
 Patty Daly,
 Math

Secret candy stock
 P.K. Simmons,
 American Gov.







Douglas Schaefer, Science
 Lu Schorle, Nurse
 Cindy Seeba, Biology
 Jim Sheridan, Scholarship Specialist
 P.K. Simmons, American History
 Marge Simons-Bester, Chorus

Peggy Speer, Special Ed.
 Bill Steele, JROTC
 Tobin Stewart, Music
 Mark Still, Math
 Glenda Stunden, Registrar
 Ron Suprenant, English

Aaron Taylor, Physical Ed.
 Brad Thimm, Science
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 Connie Vlach, Career Center
 Dave Wallace, Geography
 Jason Waller, Math

Becky Wheeler, Physical Ed.
 Kim Wilson, Para
 Gary Wood, Special Ed.
 Tonya Zachry, Science

UP CLOSE

Name: **Lance Raabe**
 What he taught:
**American Govern-
 ment and Justice &
 Law.**
 Family:
Married with one son.

Where he went to school:
Augustana University.
 What made his class different:
**He had various activities in his classes to help
 his students with extra credit and test review.
 He plays golf, darts, Guess the Gab, cards, Bingo
 and even played guitar throughout the year.**
 What he thought about fun in class:
**"I try to provide different ways to learn because
 there are so many teaching styles and so many inter-
 ests that people have."**

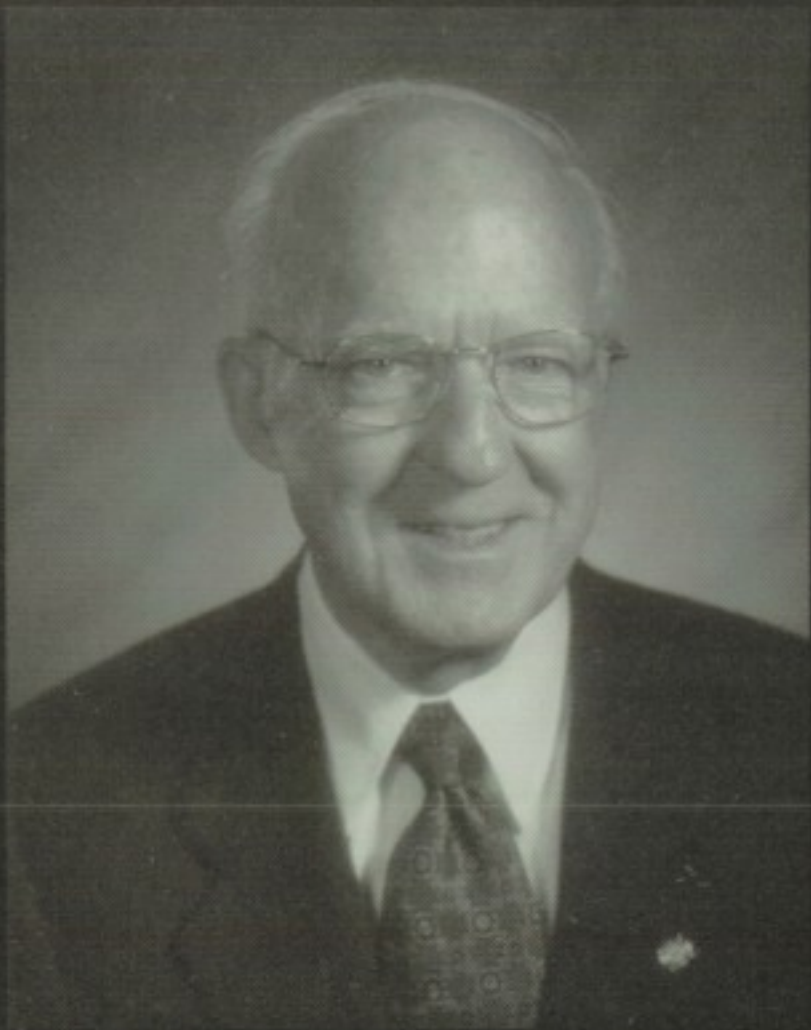
INSIDER

**What's the craziest thing you
 have ever done?**

**"Storming the field after de-
 feating Florida at the FSU
 game."**

**Mark Still,
 Math**

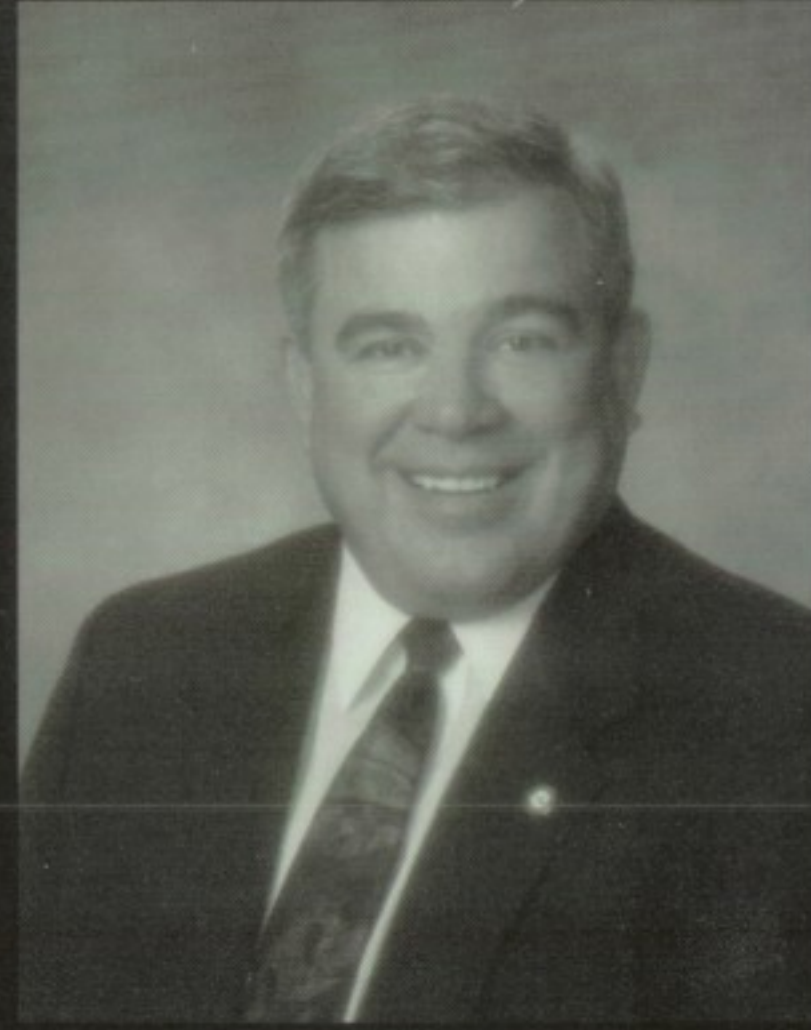
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John Hansen, *President*

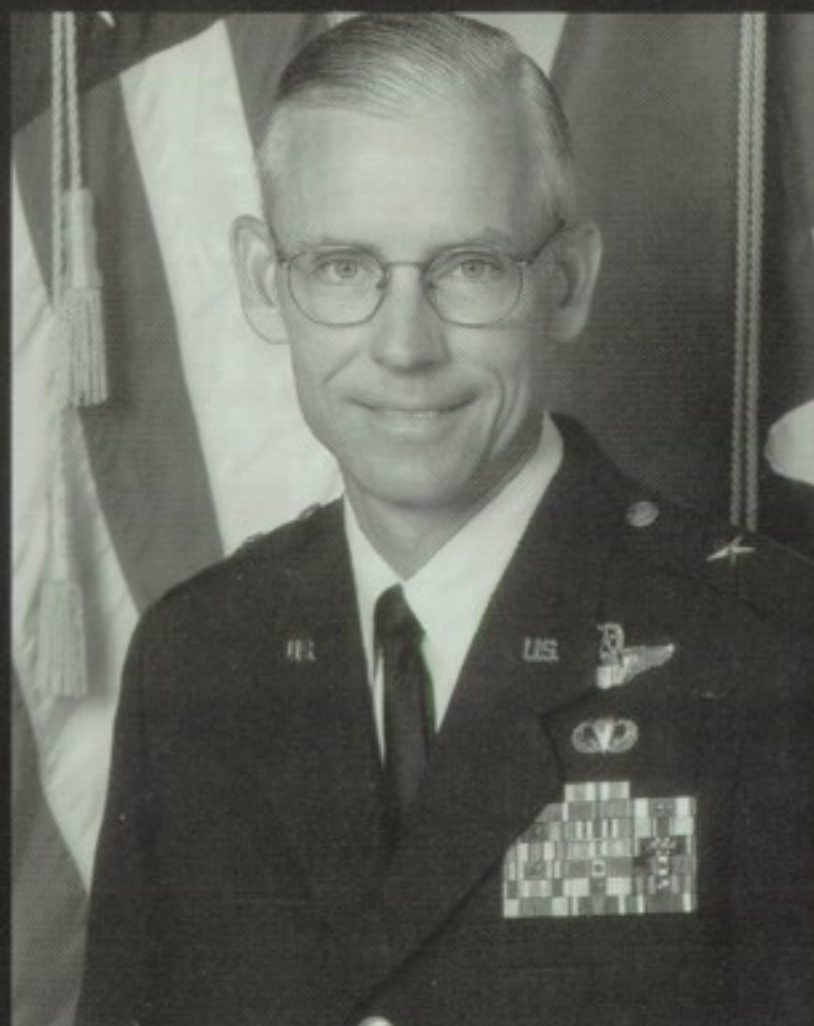


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Carol Olsen, *Trustee*

Faculty



Brig. General T.C. Jones, *Military
Advisory Member*



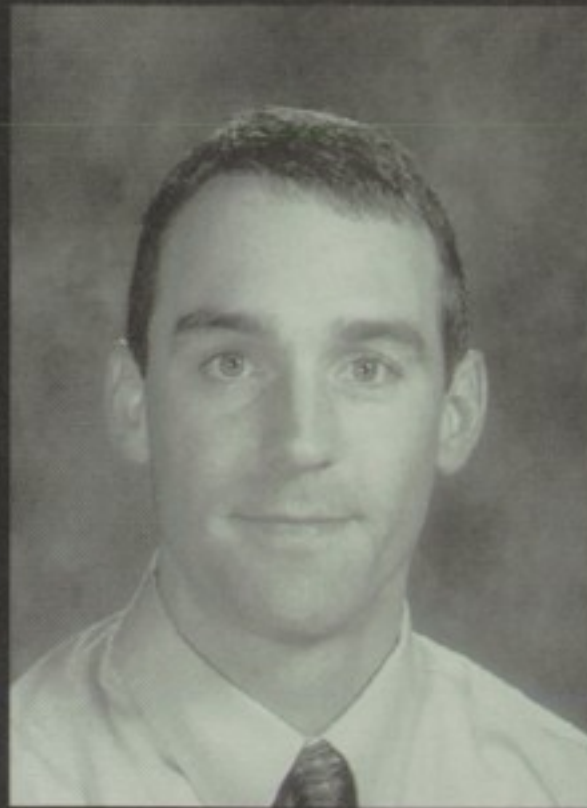
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Mike Purdy,
Activities Director



Dan Larson,
Principal



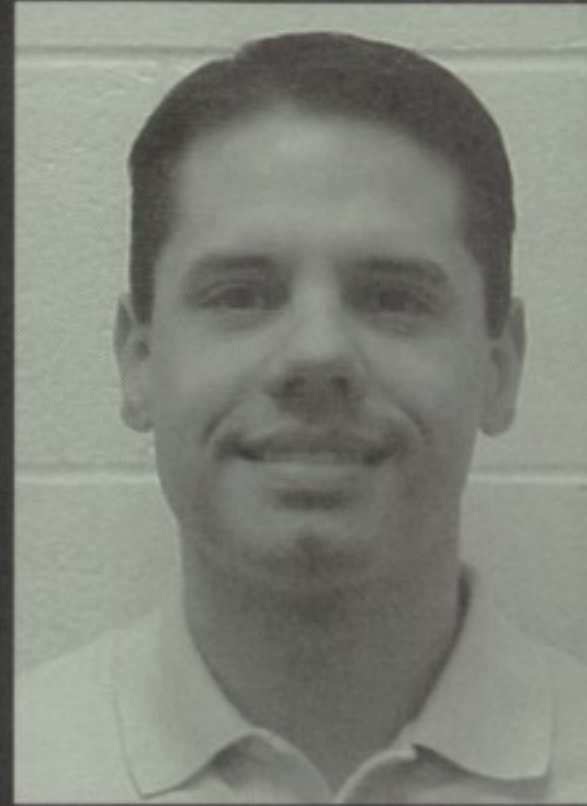
Mark Weichel,
Vice Principal



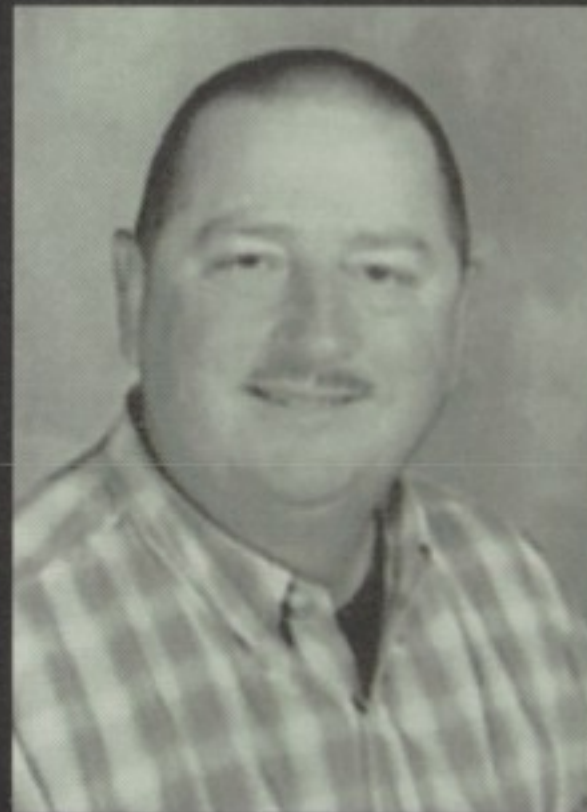
Jason Ryan,
12th grade Dean



Mary Trowbridge,
11th grade Dean



Bill Richards,
10th grade Dean



Larry Bleach,
9th Dean



Name: **Debbie Whitworth**
What she teaches: **Senior English**
Where she went to school: **University of Northern Iowa & UNO**
Why did she decide to teach English: **"I knew from age five that I wanted to teach. It's what I'm meant to do."**
What is the best thing about teaching?
"My students. I learn something from them every day."



Community.

Do you remember when Southroads Mall was the cool place to hang out? Things change, and Bellevue hasn't stopped yet.

New additions to our community like Buffalo Wild Wings and Michaels seemed to pop up every week. The up-and-coming Outback made it easier for us to enjoy a nice meal without driving 30 minutes to Omaha. We went from Olde Town Bellevue to big city living in a matter of years.

Aside from the excitement of the new businesses, we had the unhappy memories of September 11th. The anniversary just happened to land during Homecoming week, letting students express their feelings in their clothing and classes. For the event, many teachers had projects for their students to do. Tracy Davis' advanced English students made videos expressing their feelings about the event. Bill Jelkin made a slide show presentation for his American history classes to watch, and some students wrote a paragraph about their feelings to read to the class.

After everything we went through, it seemed that when all our hope and dreams faded, we never forgot that we had our friends, our families, and our

COMMUNITY.



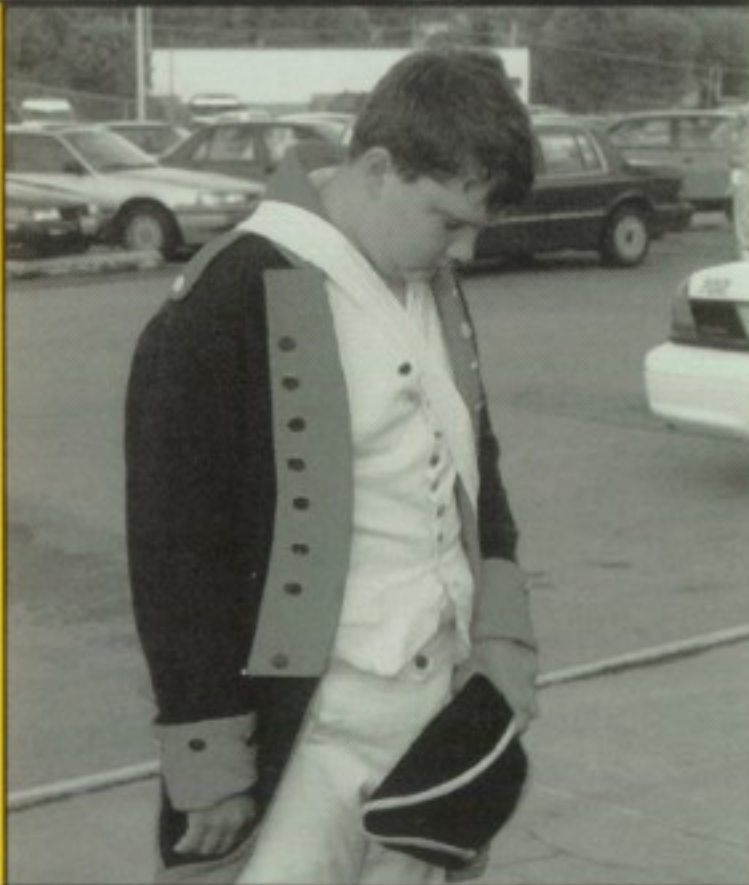
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At the Arrow to Aerospace parade, sophomore Crystal Mendez marches with the rest of the ROTC. The marching band, color-guard, cheerleaders, and Bellevedettes also marched every year.

What's
your
definition
of...
the most
interesting
date?



"A date where
you can just be
yourself."

Miranda Klausner, 10

"Dinner and a
movie are my
favorite things
to do on a date."



Maggie Ohmar, 12



"Where you can
be like a total
idiot and be free."

Chelsey Isham, 10

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Nov.-April
3 yrs. experience

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year round
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July-Nov.
8-14 yrs.

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Mar.-July
9-14 yrs.

Tryouts
August
9-14 yrs.

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Grades 3rd-7th

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Dr. Gregg & Sue Hoogeveen and staff would like to congratulate the seniors of Bellevue East for a job well done. Success in your life will not be based on just the choices you make but the number of choices you have available.

Good luck in your future, whatever you choose!

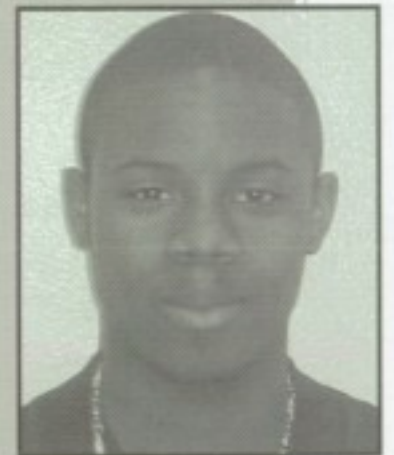
What's
your
definition
of...
the best
super-
power?



"Running really fast, because I love to run."

Victoria Doty, 9

"X-Ray vision, because it's cool."



Zaquentay McBride, 11



"To fly, because I'd get to see the world."

Desirae Bowyer, 10



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What's
your
definition
of...
the most
fun class?



My favorite class was Mr. Mason's physical science class.

Darcy Wilson, 10

My Precalculus class with Mrs. Kabourek, because she interacted with us and she made class fun.



Raquel Crewe, 12



Algebra, because I'm really good at math.

Matt Walls, 10

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the
brightest future!

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What's
your
definition
of...
a dream
come true?



"To be able to look back and say that I had a good life with lots of money and a big family."

Kevin Johnson, 12

"I want to win the lottery and spend a couple months in Europe with my husband."



Patty Daly, Math Teacher



"To meet all of my favorite actors and singers."

Burgundy Ohle, 11



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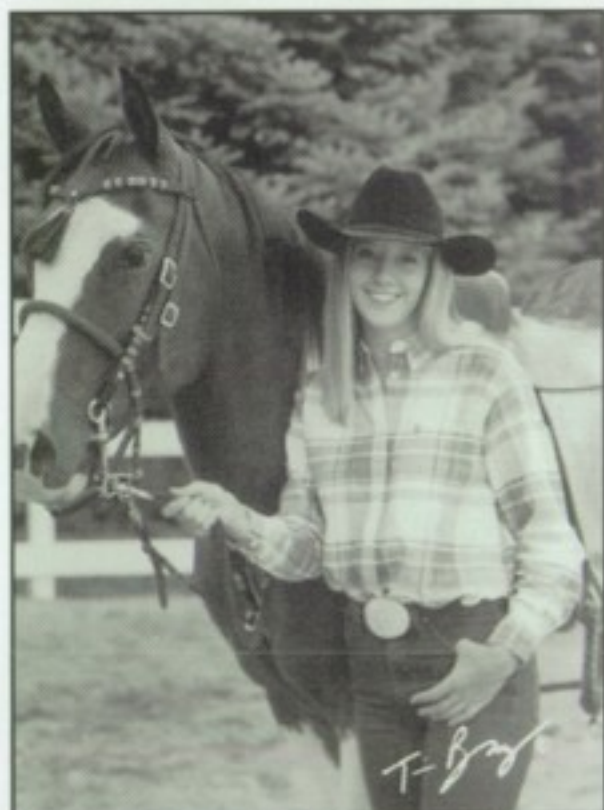
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Eyes With Pride

Band

Butterflies

Drum Major

Homecoming Court

Paseo

Tennis

W-O-F

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Bus Trips

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Mini-Major

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Love from Mom & Dad, Andy & Joy, and Aaron

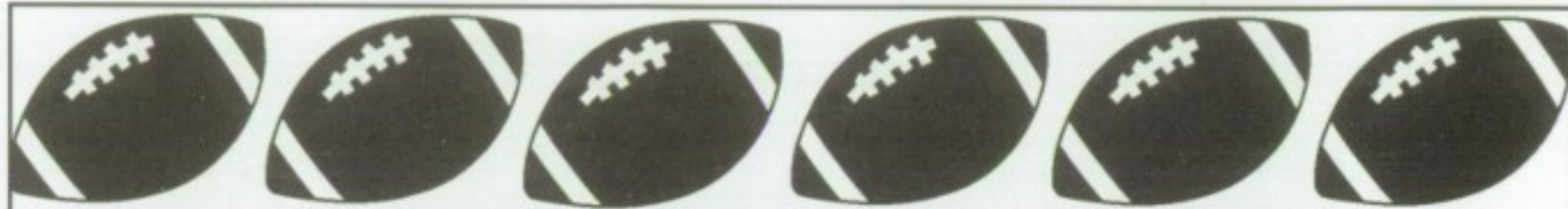


Joyce

It has been a long, strenuous, sometimes turbulent journey.

You made it, girl! Best wishes for a bright and JOYous future.

Love ya, Mommie



KEVIN



Kev, we love you and are very proud of you!
Love Mom, Pat, Kalen, and Patrick



CARA



On Oct. 30th, 18 years ago, you made us a family. In the years since, you've made us laugh, cry, and feel more love than we thought possible. You are the greatest gift - we will always cherish the beautiful child you were, the excellent student you are, and the exceptional woman you are becoming.

Wherever life takes you, you will always be near to us in our hearts, in our thoughts, and in our prayers.

With loving pride - your parents.



Chuck Wess III

Congratulations, Chuck, how proud I am of you. You have accomplished so much. Dad would be so proud of you. Now take the rings of life and know that you can do whatever you aim for. You can do it. Make the world open up to you. No limits.

*I love you,
Mom, Sister Emily,
Little Brother Chris*

Jamie

Wonderful things come to those unafraid to reach for the stars.



*Love You, Jamie.
Mom, Dad, & sisters*

Congratulations Tiffany Parnell



*We are proud of you.
Mom, Dad, J.R., and
Sam*

What's your definition of... the worst chore?



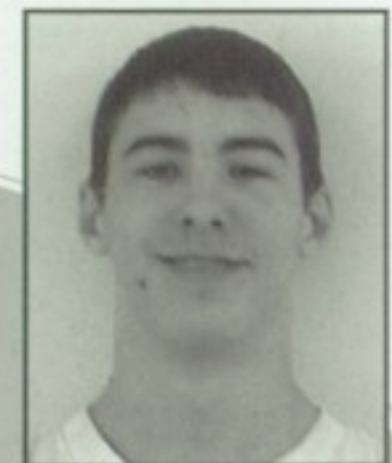
"Cleaning either the cat box or picking up dog poop, because it's so gross."

*Kelly Holsapple,
11*



"Taking out the trash, because it's a long, cold walk to throw it outside."

Brian Hike, 12



"Cleaning my room. It's a big hassle, and I don't have time."

Eric Stevens, 10

What's
your
definition
of...
the best
movie?



"Dazed and Confused. It was very well directed and helped me learn a lot about life."

Joey Eckerman, 10

"Sweet Home Alabama because it's funny and romantic at the same time."



Micaela Walters, 12



"Miss Congeniality because it's really, really funny."

Cami Hoogeveen, 10

CONGRATULATIONS "JON"

No words can express the love and pride we feel. You have exceeded our brightest hopes and dreams in every respect. What a joy it is to have a son and a brother who has earned both respect and admiration. We wish you the satisfaction of seeing your goals achieved. Always remember how much you are loved, for you are a good and caring person... A man we are proud to have for a son and brother. Good Luck ~ Love Pap, Mom, and James



**WAY TO GO,
SACKERS!**

**You did it!
Love Mom,
Dad, & Puppy**

BRAD

YOU HAVE ALWAYS CHOSEN YOUR OWN PATH, NEVER ALLOWING ANYONE OR ANYTHING TO GET IN YOUR WAY. WE HAVE WATCHED YOU GROW FROM A "TOE HEAD" LITTLE BOY INTO A SELF-ASSURED YOUNG MAN. WE HAVE GREAT CONFIDENCE THAT



AS YOU BEGIN THIS WONDERFUL NEW JOURNEY INTO ADULTHOOD THAT YOU WILL SUCCEED. REMEMBER THREE THINGS: ALWAYS GIVE 110%, PASSION AND DIGNITY IN ALL YOU DO, AND, "NO BIRD SOARS TOO HIGH, IF HE SOARS WITH HIS OWN WINGS."

WE LOVE YOU,
MOM, DAD,
& MAL-MAL



Stephanie

We give thanks with a grateful heart to God for you!
Continue to follow Him!



Love,
Mom, Dad, and James



ALLIE

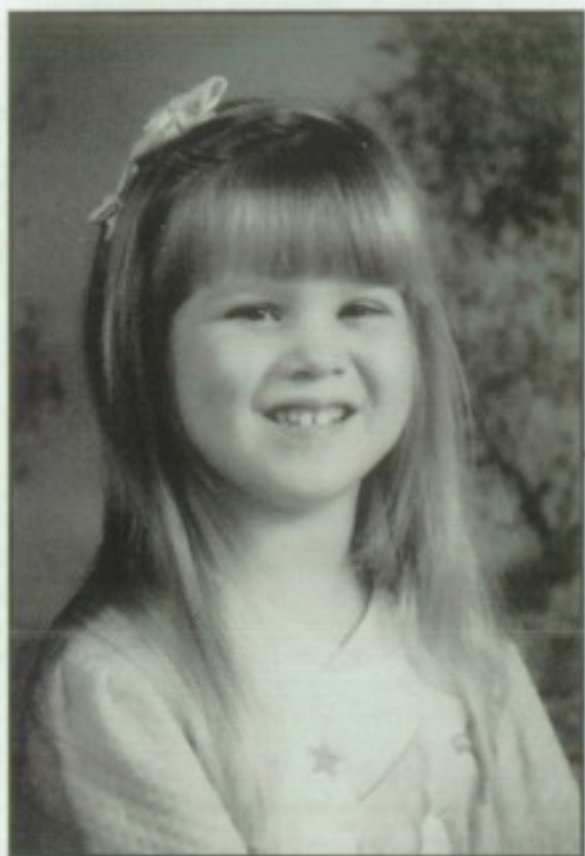


YOU'VE COME A LONG WAY YET STAYED REMARKABLY THE SAME!



MOM & DAD
KAITI & JOSH
GRANDMA & PA

Jannalee



Congratulations.
We are so proud of
you.



Love Mom, Dad, and Chelsea



Michelle Johnson
Class of 2003
Voted
"Best Sense
of Humor"

NICK

(affectionately known as Bonky-Boy, Nick-Knack, and Nah-Nah)

The time has gone too fast. We are proud of the fine young man you have become. Always follow your heart, and there you will find your treasure. You have many gifts yet to discover.

Reach high!
We love you!

Mom, Kevin, Gen,
Nate, and Grandma and Grandpa



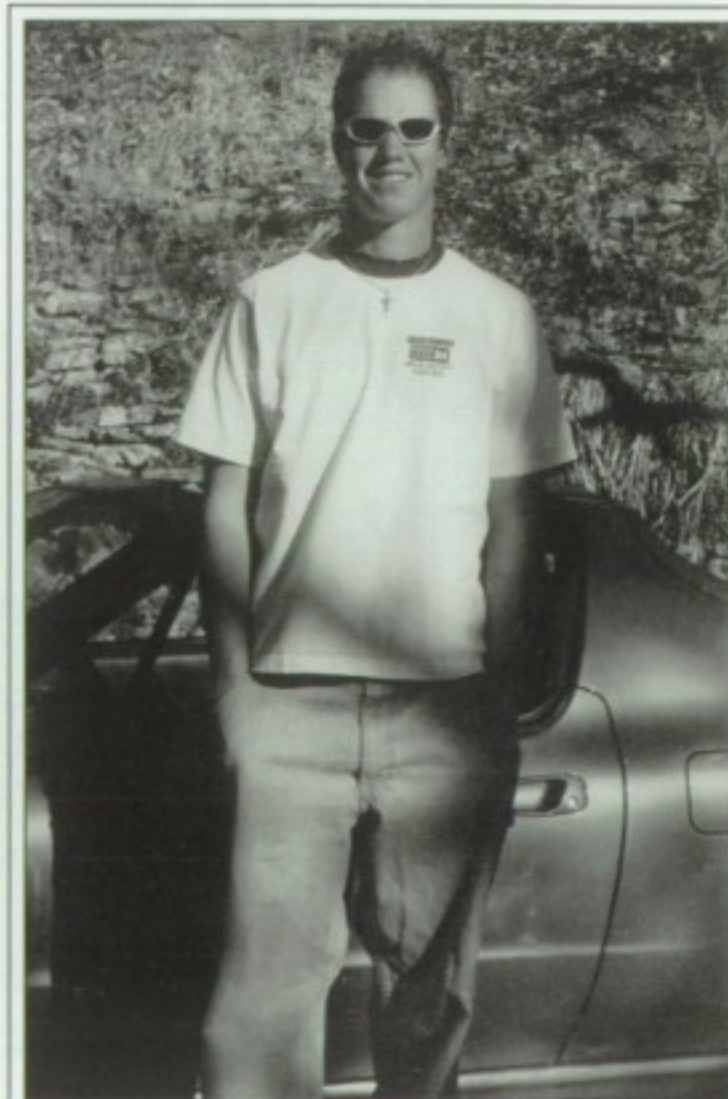
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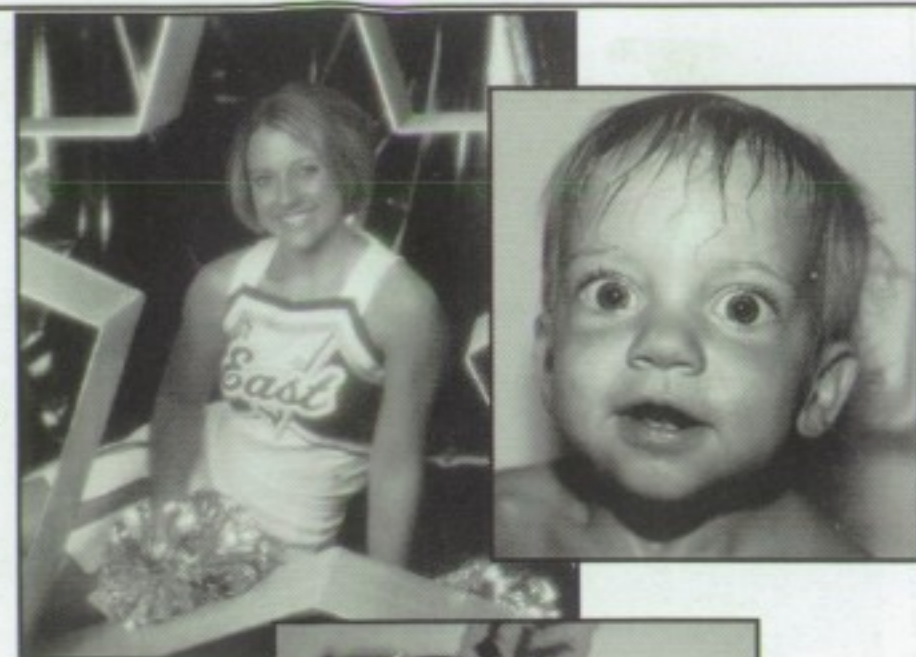
YOU ARE LIMITLESS POTENTIAL.
SO... DARE EXPERIENCE. REACH
BEYOND WHY. BELIEVE YOU HAVE
THE COURAGE TO ACHIEVE ALL YOU
DREAM. SAY YES TO THIS DAY.

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU.

LOVE MOM & DAD



M...is for the Many Marvelous friends, Memories and the Magnificent Miracle that you are...



I...is for how Independent you have become and the "I love you!" shared Immenseley with family... Mom... Dad... Trevor... Grandparents... Aunts... Uncles... Cousins... and... friends...

C...is for Commendable Caring for your Cat, Sarah Elizabeth... she is 15 years old, and you're now 18 and so Cherished...



A...is for Always believing Jesus Christ is the center of life. And living out His gift to you is your life. And what you make of your life is your gift back to Him!...

E...is for the Excellent Education you have and always Exhorting Excellence in Everything you do...



L...is for Loving, Laughter, and Living Life to the fullest with Loving family and Loving friends...

A...is for Always being an Awesome listener and Anxious to help out At home, school, our community, & America...



What's
your
definition
of...
your
favorite
snack?



"Strawberry PopTarts. Strawberry is the best and they don't make you fat."

Cierra Johnson, 9



"When I'm hungry I eat Cheez-its, but when I just want a little snack I go for the Skittles."

Caleb Brown, 12



"Fruit Roll Ups because they are so fruity."

Berlin Aniciete, 11

What's
your
definition
of...
the thing that
you spend
most of your
money on?



"School related stuff like T-shirts or stuff for the play."

Jordan Jenkins, 10

"Eating, clothes, and buying my friends gifts."



Mina Si, 10



"Food because my mom buys all my clothes and food is essential."

Alyssa Berg, 12



F is for Fun...



...That friends share when they are together.

R is for Reliability...

...A true friend is someone that you can always rely on.

I is for Interest...

...Someone who is genuinely interested in you, your fears, joys, and life.

E is for Energy...

...They pick you up when you are down and give you the energy to go on and believe in yourself.

N is for Nothing...

...Nothing is ever too much, no matter what time it is, night or day.

D is for Distance...

...Although the miles may separate you, a true friend is never far away.

S is for Secrets...

...Your feelings and private thoughts that you can only share with a friend.

H is for Happiness...

...The way we feel when we are together.

I is for Inseparable...

...Through good times and bad, tears and laughter. A friend will always be there for you.

P is for Perfect...

...The friendship that we share. You make normal days into special days, and turn my tears of sorrow into tears of laughter. My world is a brighter place due to the friendship and love that we all share.



Kristen Gibson



Crickett ~ We are so proud of you. You are a wonderful daughter and sister. We love you!

Mom, Dad, Amanda, Randy, Dakota, Kaydee, & Banditt

Wherever we go...
Whatever we see...
Sisters we are three...

We love you, Erin.
Megan & Maggie



CHRISTINA



Always remember that your attitude, not your aptitude, determines your altitude. Good luck in college. God bless you and keep on soaring.

Love MOM and Dad



Jamie

From our first kiss to our latest memories, it has been a blur of happy and wonderful experiences in my life. The time has flown since we were freshmen, but I still love you as much now as ever. You are blessed with beauty both inside and out. I will always be there for you. I love you, always and forever.



Kelly

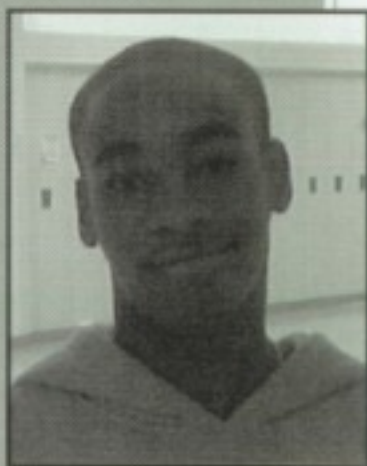
What's
your
definition
of...
the most
outrageous
thing you've
done?



"I stayed up
past 10:00 one
night!"

Katie Homan, 10

"I went
snowboarding
down a moun-
tain when there
wasn't any
snow."



Nate Welsh, 9



"One night
Chris Bridges
and I threw
tomatoes at
Josh Ballain's
house."

Donald Dollinger, 11

BRANDON

You've grown up far
too fast. It seems like
only yesterday you
were learning to feed
yourself-spaghetti, of
course.



You grew into a turtle
maniac, with a sword
always at the ready.



From the first day of
school, standing so
straight and tall,



to your first dance recital
and all that followed. You
have become a young
man full of confidence
and promise.

Love Mom, Angie, Ken, Max and Sam

Oh, Blake!



**We are so proud!
We love you!**

**Mom, Dad, and
Brett**

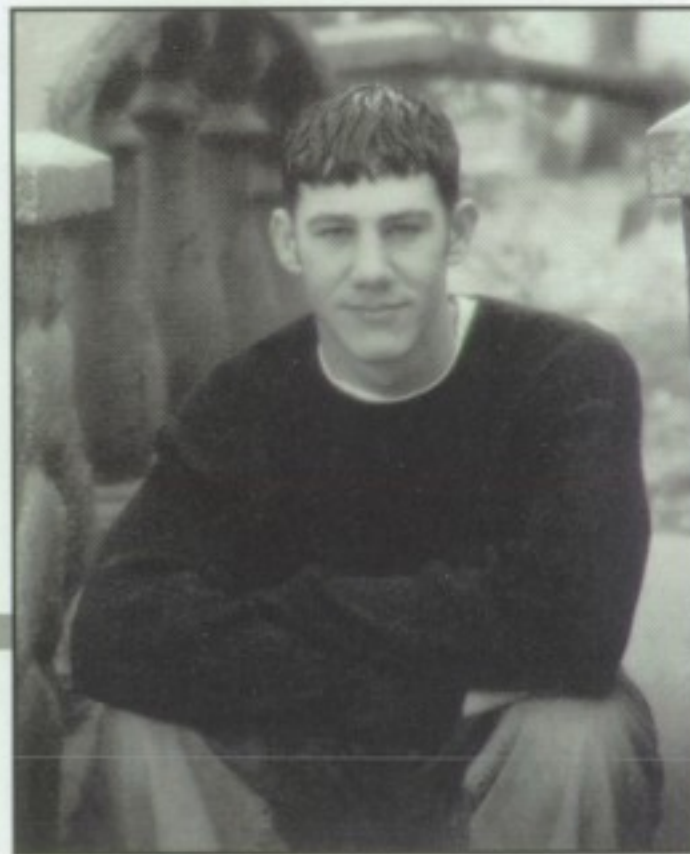


Matthew

Time has passed so quickly. I have seen you grow from a toddler who was always asking why, why, why!

Into a confident, independent young man who is not afraid to continue to ask why.

No mother could be as proud as I.

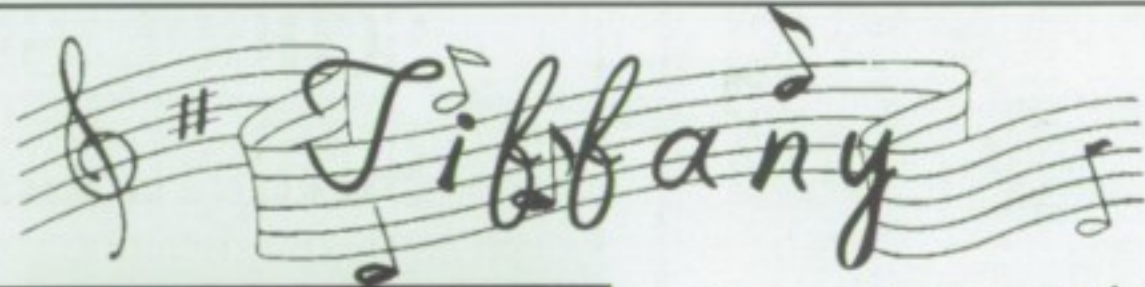


The doors to the future have opened. Go through them with all our love!

Mom,
Grandma, Grandpa,
Jennifer, Andrew, Emily



If I could
I'd protect you from the sadness in your eyes
Give you courage in a world of compromise
Yes I would, if I could I would teach you all the things I've never
learned
and I'd help you cross the bridges that I've burned
Yes I would, if I could
I would try to shield your innocence from time
But the part of life I gave you isn't mine
I've watched you grow so I could let you go
If I could I would help you make it through the hungry years
But I know I can never cry your tears
But I would, if I could
If I live in a time and place where you don't want to be
You don't have to walk this road with me
My yesterday won't have to be your way
If I knew how, I'd try to change the world that I brought you to
And there isn't very much that I can do but I would if I could
If I could...
-Barbara Streisand



You've been a light in a world
of darkness, a beacon to find
my way home.
Thanks for being my joy all
your life!

Love, Mom

H is for the Happiness you bring to our lives.

A is for the "Aunt" the first time this year.

N is for the Natural beauty both inside and out.

N is for the "Notorious" belches!

A is for the Anticipation of one day seeing your bedroom floor.

H is for Hope in your future and the choices you will make.



Stattin

From day to day,
Month to month,
Year to year,
You've always said what I needed to hear.

From sport to sport,
Conflict to conflict,
Debate to debate,
You've always been my teammate

Thanks for everything, Stattin!
I will always love you.
~*Treightin*~



STATTIN

What a glorious day in April, 1985.
Statti-boy it's been so much fun since you entered our lives. From the time you smacked a ball through a window before you could walk, it's been such a pleasure watching you perform with excellence on the field, on the court, in the pool, and in the academic arena.

Stattin, life is a series of choices and priorities, and with your level-headed thinking, it truly awaits you and your greatness.

You're our little loyal boy - you bring us such royal joy.

You really can be whatever you choose to be.

We love you very much and you are truly blessed - as we are blessed to have you in our lives. Keep Him first and always give everything your all.

All our love,
Mom, Dad, Austin, Treightin, Eastin, Grandma Yates,
and Grandma Reenie



I'll start by saying that I love you. On October 6th you changed my life and after all we've been through I know we can make it through anything. Thank you for everything you have ever done for me. Buying me dinner, helping me through the tough times, and aiding me back to health. I love you more than anything. I am so thankful to have you and excited to spend the rest of my life with you.

Love, Hannah

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Hey Hannah guess what...



Well, basically the last couple of years have been the best of my life, give or take a couple of months. No matter what happened we were there for each other. We've had some excellent times together. I look forward to looking back on these memories when we are old and gray, and having a big laugh with you. It will be so much fun growing old with someone I love so much.

Love, Statti



Brenna,

Now that you have conquered your ABCs, it's time for Freud, Maslow, Kant, Jung, Kubler-Ross, Einstein... Learning never ends. We are so very proud of you.

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Erin



What's your definition of... what you collect?



"Movie ticket stubs, just because it's fun."

Emily Senske, 9

"I collect Notre Dame stuff because they're going to be good next year."



Richard Nakai, 11



"I collect knives because I like them."

Andrew Kumor, 10

Suzy

You're a lovely person
Whose outlook is bright.
You're charming and lovable,
A true delight!
You're sweet and graceful
As a lily in bloom;
Just your very presence
Can brighten a room.
Everyone you meet
Cannot help but surrender
To your radiant beauty
In all its splendor.
We love you!
Mom, Dad, and Steff





June



No words can express the love and pride I feel for you. You have brought so much joy into my life.

Love, Grandmother

ADAM,

You've always been a success. Good luck in college and life.

Love, Mom



Alyssa

We applaud your wisdom, your energy, your determination. Be everything that you can be. Reach for the stars. We love you and we are so proud of you!

Mom, Dad, Clint, Darren



What's your definition of... your dream date?



"I would date Jenna Jameson because she is very smart and nice."

Mike Ciriaco, 9



"Kobe Bryant would be the man to date because he's great at everything he does."

Kesha Miller, 12



"We go to a paintball range and then later we go cruising to some clubs."

Daniel Wright, 11

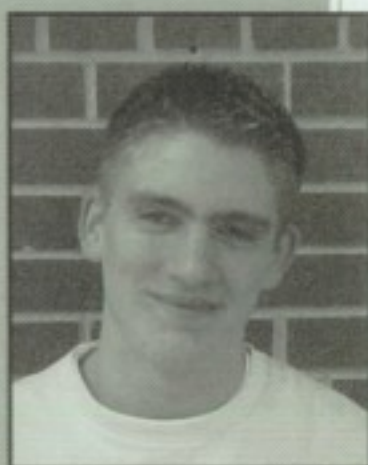
What's
your
definition
of...
your biggest
pet peeve?



"When some-
one uses the
same word
over and over
again, like
'dude!'"

Kristen Gibson, 12

"When people
always shake
their leg,
especially if it's
under your
desk."



Cole Tesar, 9



"People who
make-out in
the hall even
though they'll
see each other
in half an
hour."

Maria Wever, 12



Dearest Andrew,

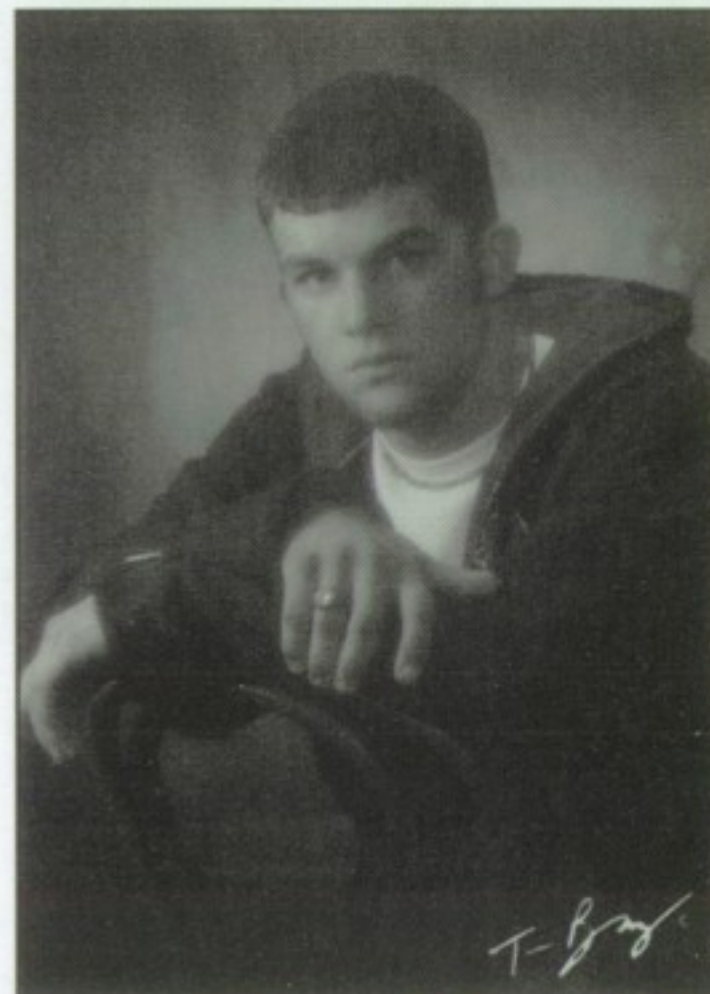
Lose yourself
in the music of this moment.

Savor life
as you wrestle with your dreams.
Thank the Lord
for your struggles and your triumphs,
and

Live each second
knowing just how much you mean!

With joy and love for all of our moments
with you,

Mom, Dad, Amy, John,
Bernie and Mrrfy



.....Sara.....

Your achievements have always been something we have been very proud of.

Watching you participate in sports and the dance recitals are memories we will always cherish and remember. Your academics have been outstanding. Your driving is a whole other story! May you have continued success throughout your life. Aim for the stars - we know you can reach them when you set your mind to it.

Love, happiness, success - may they all be yours.

Love,

Dad, Mom, Emily, and Kristen



Melinda



Tink

You are the one in this world that could bring a smile to my face.

Never did I believe that we would be here together and alone embraced.

You are in my heart, my world, my everything. I don't know what I would do without you.

I want to say thank you for coming into my life and showing me what Motherly Love is.

With all of my heart, I will be loving you forever.

Love, Momma

FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS!



JARED

We have had so much fun together over the years watching you grow and reach your dreams. We are very proud of you and all that you have become. We love you very much,
Mom & Dad



Where are you going-

Wish that I knew.

You're off to "Wherever,"

May your dreams come true.

Where is "Wherever"

Wherever you go,

I'll never let you go.

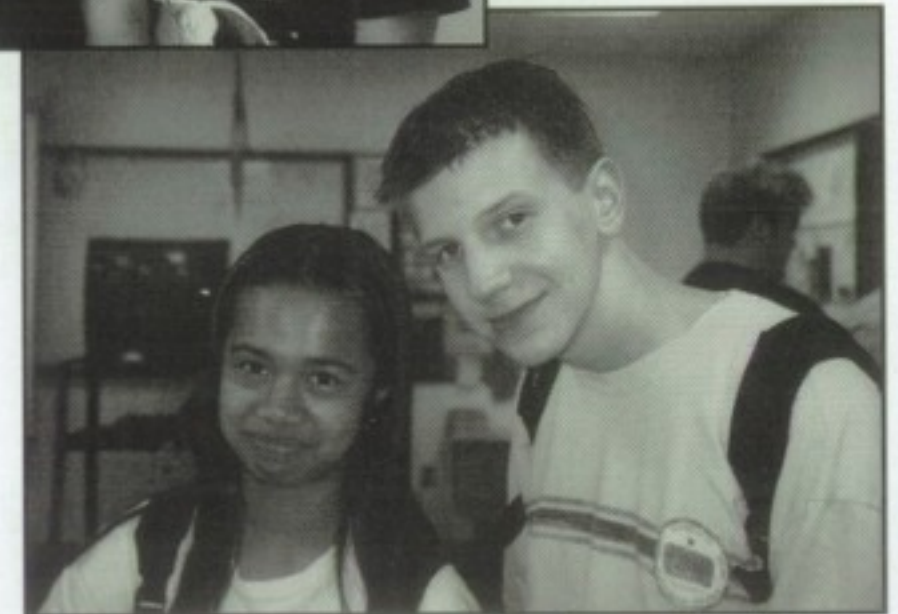
Cannie Ylbay

Good Riddance (Time of Your Life)
 Another turning point, a fork stuck in the road.
 Time grabs you by the wrist, directs you where to go.
 So make the best of this test, and don't ask why.
 It's not a question, but a lesson learned in time.

It's something unpredictable, but in the end is right.
 I hope you have the time of your life.

So take the photographs and still frames in your mind.
 Hang it on a shelf of good health and good time.
 Tattoos of memories and dead skin on trial.
 For what it's worth, it was worth all the while.
 I hope you had the time of your life.

I hope you had the time of your life.
 -Green Day



To the best friend anyone could ask for.
 You'll always be our Asian.
 Love, Sara, Spank, and Katie

What's
 your
 definition
 of...
 the person
 you'd be
 for a day?



"Hugh Hefner.
 He seems to have
 a lot of fun and
 I'd like to have
 his job."

Andrew Pawlak, 11



"Mr. Lintz.
 He's the great-
 est teacher in
 the world."

Berlin Aniciete, 11



"J.Lo. because I
 could marry
 Ben Afflak."

Sarah Hansen, 9

Kari Hobson



From the moment you came into our lives you have never ceased to amaze us. You have shown what determination and dedication can achieve. You have become a beautiful, confident, responsible young woman.

We are so proud of you and your accomplishments. Thank you for all the joy and happiness you have brought to our lives. We wish you continued success and hope all your dreams for the future come true.

All our love, Mom, Dad, Erin, and Matt

Rachael



We are tremendously proud of the beautiful and accomplished young woman our baby Tiger has become. Keep dreaming big, Little Lulu. Your hard work, many gifts from God, and radiant Irish smile will take you far, Rocko. Keep your faith and our love with you always, Yull. Raquel,



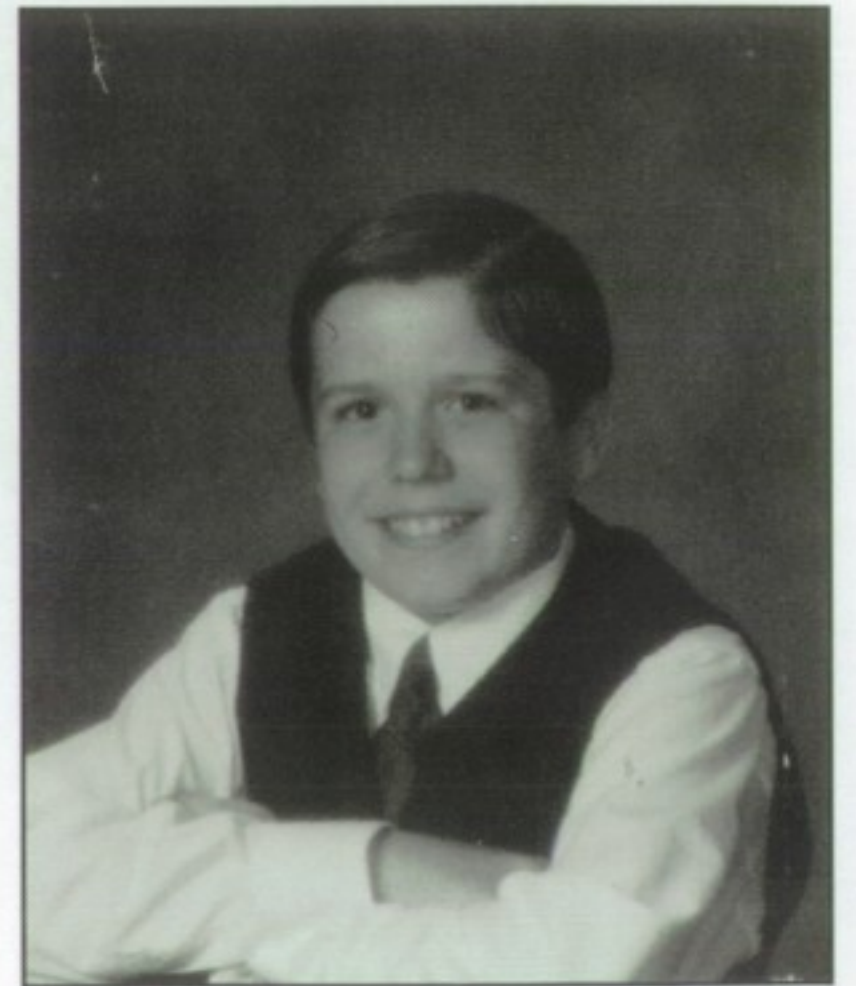
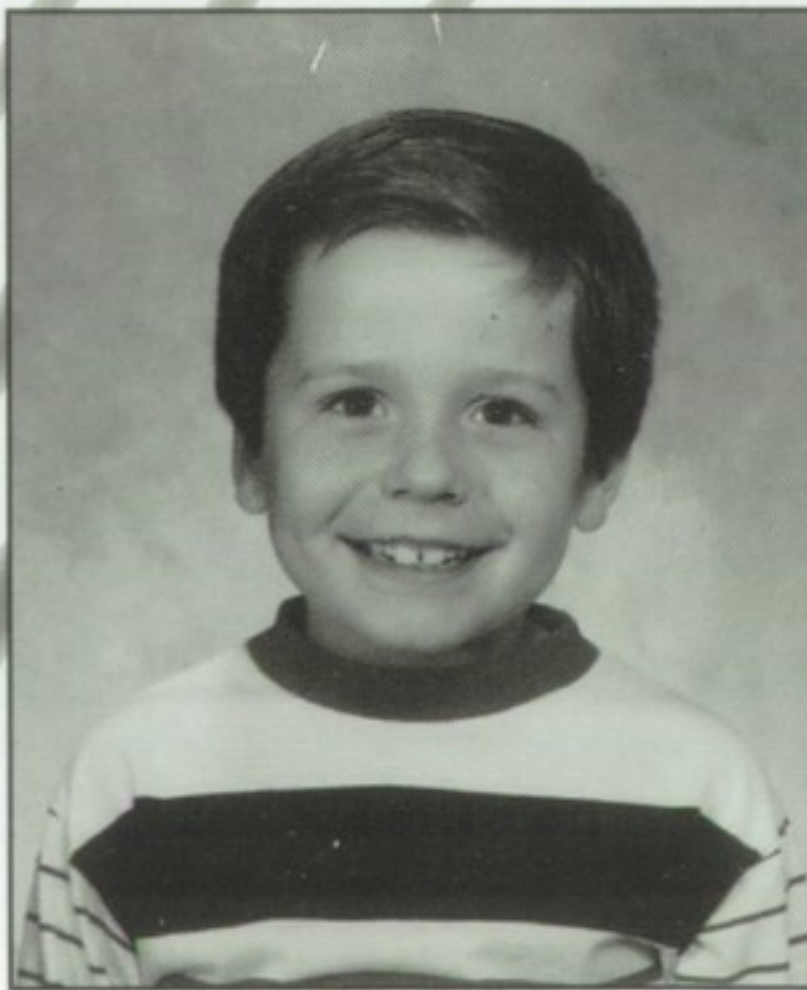
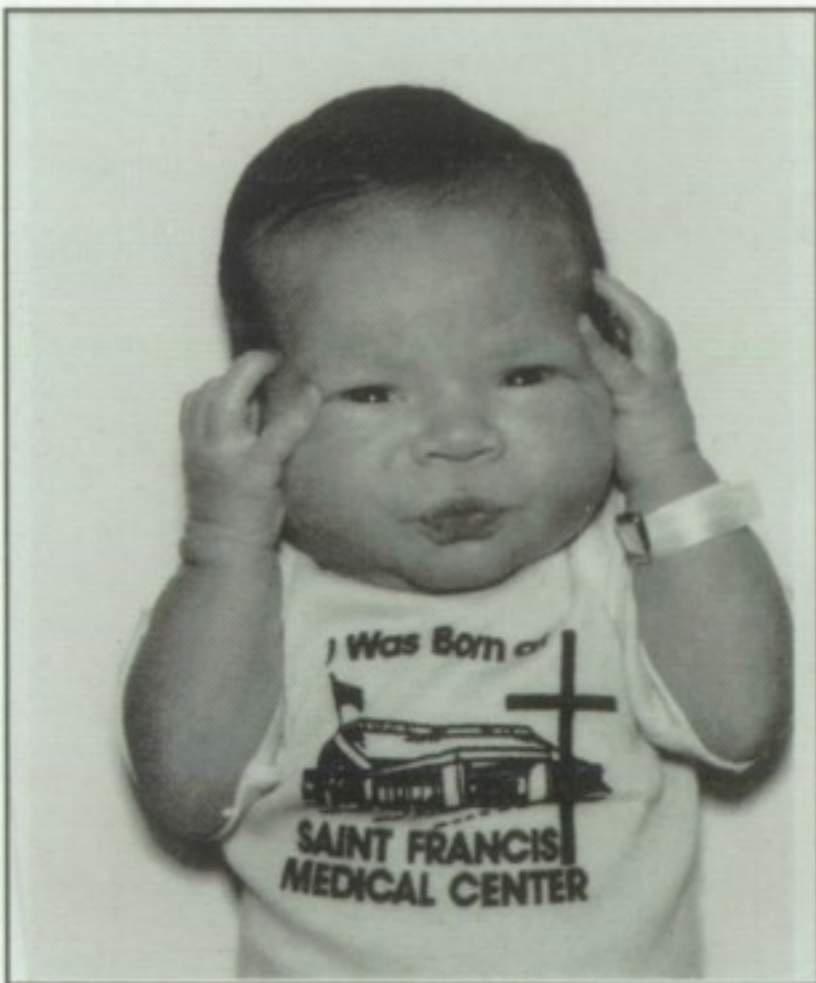
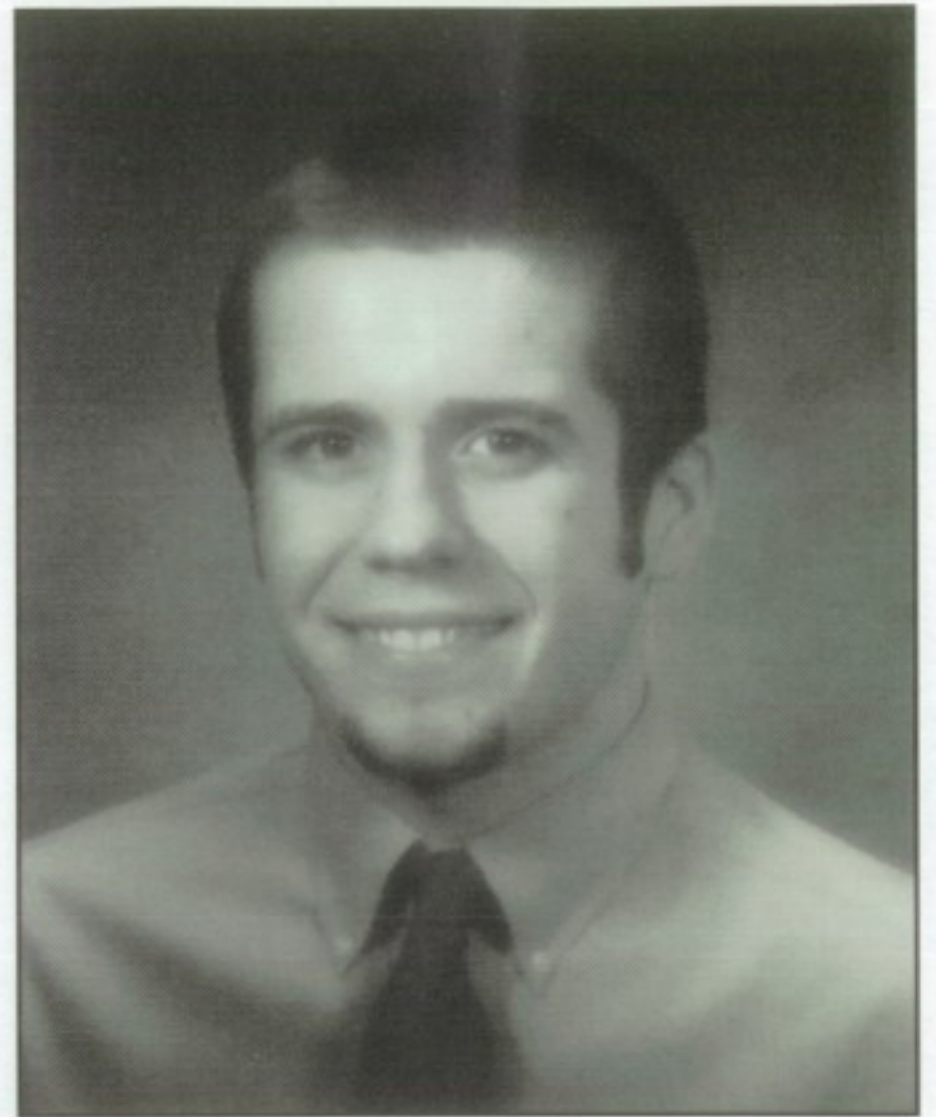
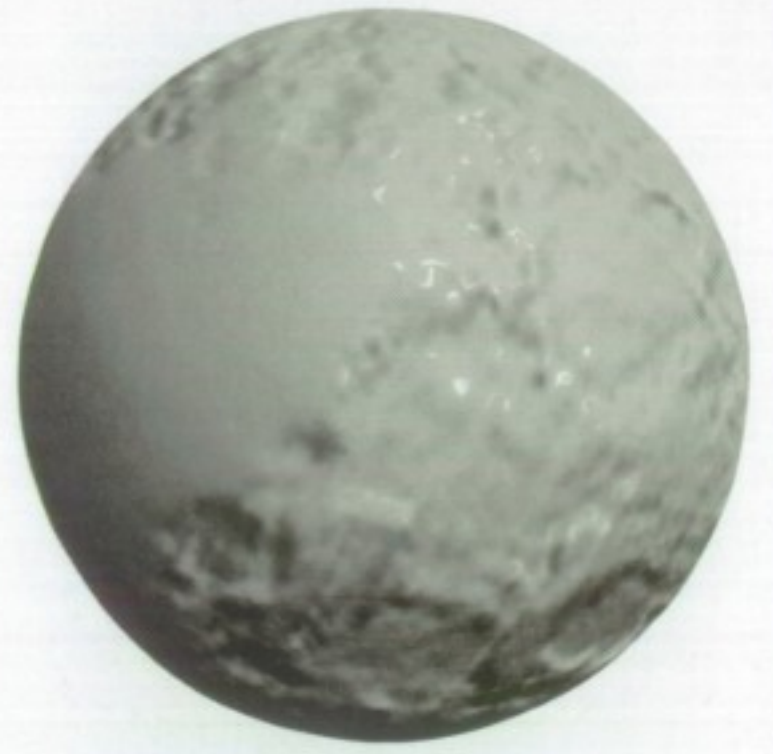
Hugs & kisses.

From Mom, Mac, & Mary. Dad says ditto from him, Sluggo.

**THE SKY IS
THE LIMIT**

**We're with
you all
the way!**

**Love,
Mom, Dad,
Maggie, &
Catherine**





Dear Danielle,

You are a very special daughter and a dear treasure to all those lucky enough to know you! We are so proud of you.

Shoot for the stars honey!

"Who loves you the most?" "We do from coast to coast!"

Love,

Dad, Mom,
and Max



Christy
"A Star is Born"

Your dreams are
your future.

- Love Mom

"I'll be your snack pack"

*Flammin' hot
cheetos & powerade* *Not 'til I'm married*



The GOOD Times
Townsend & Santana

What's
your
definition
of...
your most
memorable
teaching
moment?



"When we tried to do our live fish lab and the fish were dying or were already dead."

Mary Koehly, Biology

"We were studying kennings [metaphorical phrases] and one of my students understood right away."

Kathy Liebenguth, English



"Any time I can push a student to accomplish what they thought they couldn't."

Susan Baird, Newspaper Adviser



Kristel

Today is a big day for all of us. For you the excitement has to be one of the greatest moments of your life. We are very proud of you. Always be the leader you have always been. Follow your heart and your dreams. You will ALWAYS succeed. NEVER forget how much we love you, and we will ALWAYS be here for you.

Thank you for the joy you've brought to our lives. Always remember to put God first in everything you do.

Love Mom and Dad

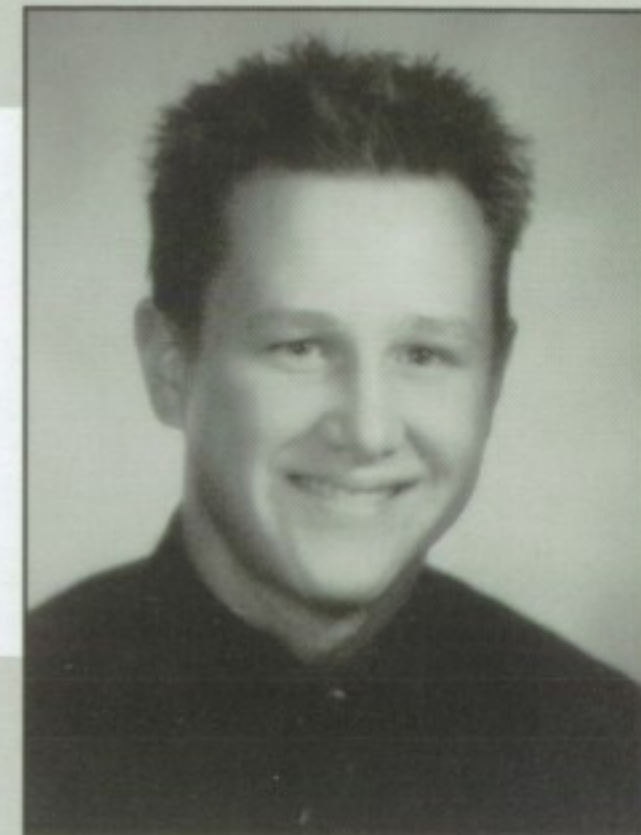


MATTHEW

“Gift of God”

Scholar, Athlete, Musician,
Follower of Christ

We love you and are proud of you!
Dad, Mom, Emily, Micah, & Elise



Auntie,
You're my best
friend. I love you
sooooo much!



Love, Jayde



love and be loved. May
God bless you and keep
you in His tender care
each and every day of your
life, sweetie.

CONGRATULATIONS
& WE LOVE YOU,
Mom, Dad, Joe, Katie,
Audrey, and Daisey

Mary

We hope you are always
surrounded by loving
family, friends, laughter,
and sunshine. We hope
life treats you kind and
that you get all you have
ever and will ever dream
of. We wish you joy, hap-
piness, and
success, and
most of all to



What's
your
definition
of...
your phone
a friend
life line?



"Mr. McLaughlin be-
cause he is the smart-
est man in school and
if he didn't know the
answer he'd still make
me laugh on camera."

Bonnie Strawn, 11



"Bob Dole be-
cause he's old
and knows a lot
of things."

Nick Smith, 10



"Ben Stein be-
cause he's a very
smart guy."

Tyler Cloyd, 10

What's
your
definition
of...
the most
memorable
driving
experience?



"Matt [O'Hanlon] and I went airborne going through the parkinglot at TwinCreek."

Bobby Endersbe, 11

"WhenDustin [Slottje] smashed into a truck with my brother's car when he slid on gravel in the snow."



Andy Senske, 10



"I was driving the suburban and the tire blew, it did a 360, and almost flipped over. It was so scary!"

Courtney Riecks, 11

To Our Drama Queen

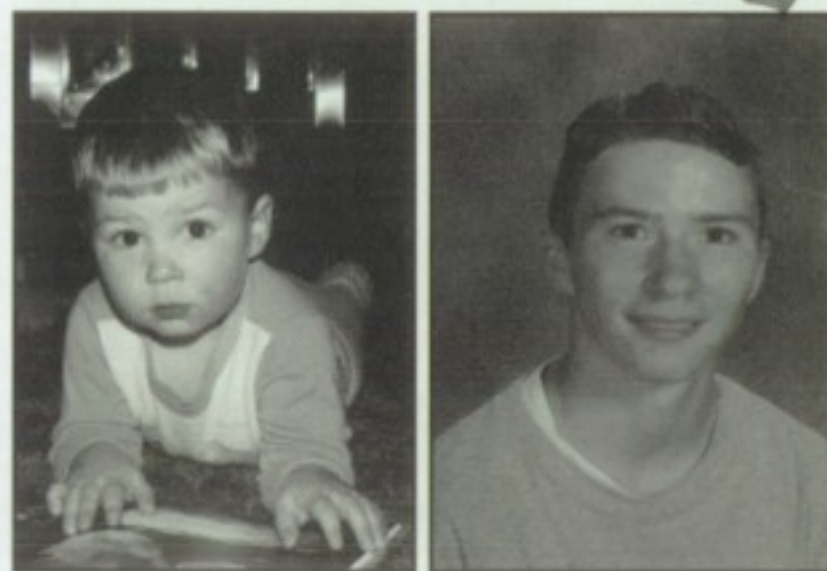
Summer, Remember This...

I'll always love you. Remember... as you read these words, that I'll hold you in a very precious place in my heart-not just today, but as long as there are stars in the sky.

Remember that- if I could- I would give you the moon and the sun in return for all the smiles and memories you've given me.

And remember that when I say "I love you," I want you to know what those words really mean. "I love you" means that you're the most wonderful daughter there could ever be. It means that you have made me more proud of you than you could ever begin to imagine. And without feeling by the giving.. of a gift like you. ~Laurel Atherton

We love you! Dad & Mom



YOU HAVE GROWN INTO AN INCREDIBLE YOUNG MAN. YOU HAVE ALWAYS BEEN OUR "BREATH OF FRESH AIR." YOU NEVER CEASE TO AMAZE US! CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR GRADUATION. YOU MAKE US PROUD!

"HOW CAN A YOUNG MAN KEEP HIS WAY PURE? BY KEEPING IT ACCORDING TO GOD'S WORD." (PSALM 119:9)

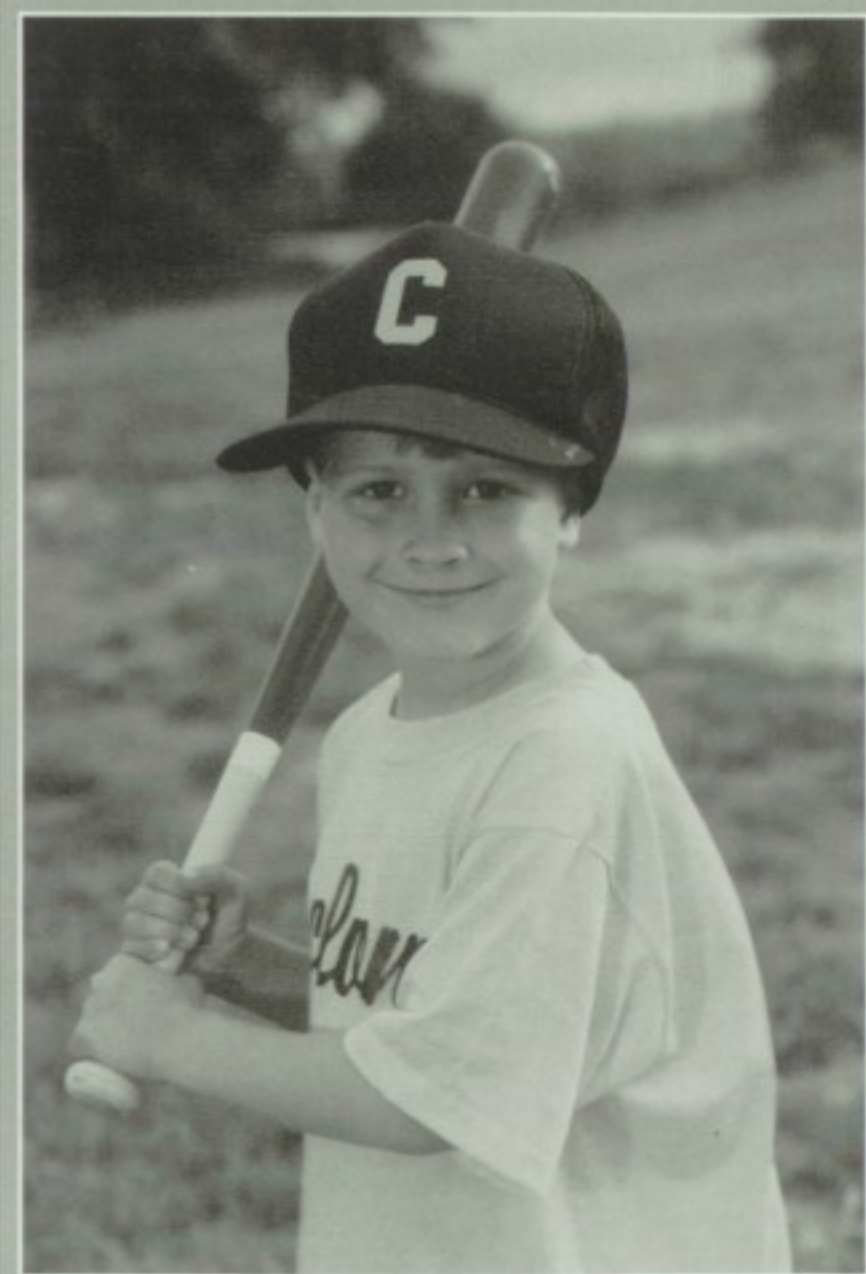
LOVE, MOM AND DAD

Ryan

"My son, do not forget my teaching, but keep my commands in your heart, for they will prolong your life many years and bring you prosperity."

(Proverbs 3: 1-2)

Your family





Tanya

Sparkling eyes hint at your sparkling soul. Enduring, self-sufficient woman full of joy and surprise.

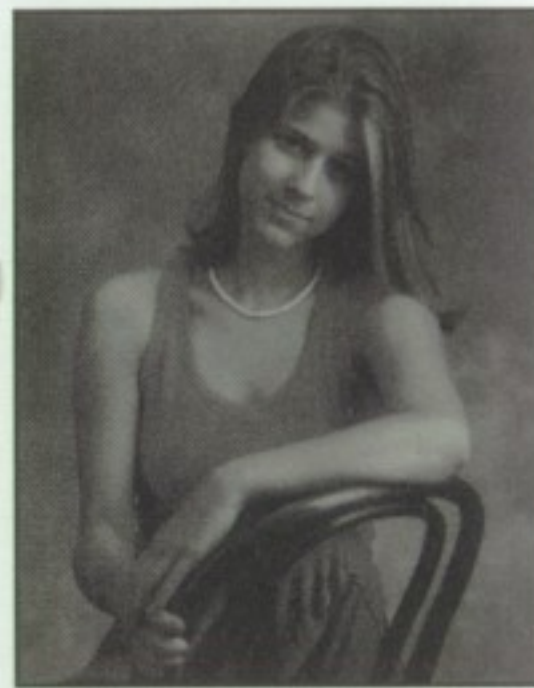
Musician, Writer, Artist, Counselor, and Friend of Gold.

Four year plans reaching goals of any size. You have made us very proud.

With all our love,
Mom, Dad, & Nicole



Heather



You made it! Now for the future. Life is a dance with turns and dips. Learn the steps and you will do great! We love you and wish you the best always.



*Love,
Mom and Dave,
Allen and Dad*

LINDSEY



You have been blessed with talent and ability. Make the most of it and the future is yours. We love you.

Mom, Dad, and Chris



CHRIS



WE THINK YOU'RE

COOL



LOVE MOM,
DEETZ, AND
HANS

Kate

Graduation is a
time to remember
and a time to dream,

a time to look back
and a time to reach forward,

a time for songs of laughter
and a time for tears of joy,

a time for letting go
and a time for discovering
hopes and dreams that are yet unborn,

a time to say good-bye to yesterday
and a time to greet tomorrow
with courage,

a time for loving hearts to gather
and a time to celebrate all that you are...

and all that you may become.

Congratulations, Kate!

We love you, Mom, Dad, Laura, Caleb, Tday, and Cassie



Brett



Congratulations, Brett!
We are very proud of
you!

We wish you happiness and
success in all you
do. May all your
dreams come true!



Love, Mom, Dad, Keri

Rachael

We've watched you grow from a pretty little princess to a beautiful young woman. You have been a blessing to our family and we love you very much.

Love, Mom, Dad, Jen,
(and) Naomi



★Amber★



We've watched you grow into a strong young lady. You've been helping and teaching those around you all your life. Your caring for others has always shown through. We are very proud of you. Stay focused on your goals and you will go far.

Love Mom & Dad

You're great with kids and we know you'll do well working with them. We're proud of all you've accomplished. Love Grandma & Grandpa Mingucci

I'll miss having you around to fight with. Congratulations!
Love Stephanie

I'm very proud of you. Love Grandpa Hill



"Made in England"
- Graduated in Nebraska. You can do anything you put your mind to.
Love Grandma & Grandpa Burch



Congrats, weirdo! You might think you've experienced a lot so far, but you haven't even scratched the surface of your capabilities. I know you're ready for the real world, I just hope the real world is ready for you. Love, Brandon

What's

your definition of... the worst excuse to break a date?



"My aunt said I had to or she's sending me back to live in Michigan."

Kesha Miller, 12

"I'm leaving the country to go play pro basketball, when you really don't even play."



Rob Mason, teacher



"Um, I'm washing my hair."

Corey Martinez, 11

Jackie

Katie



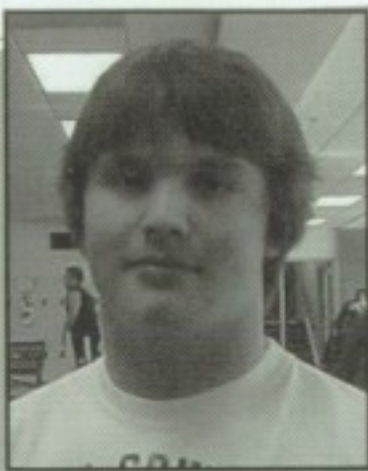
Kindred spirits and kindred hearts, two alike, yet set apart! Dream high and reach for your own star. We love you both very much. Congratulations!

Love,

Mom, Bernie, Grampa Bob, Peter, Christopher, and Lilia



What's your definition of... your favorite hobby?



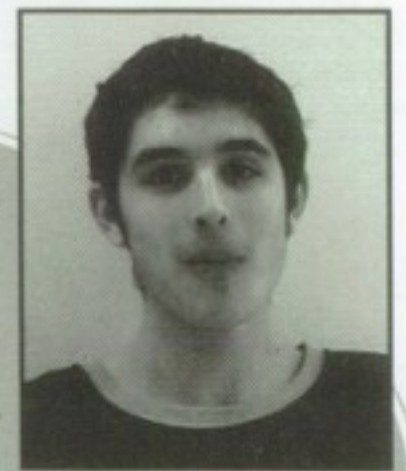
"Restoring old cars because it's fun and makes them worth a lot more."

Kyle Christensen, 11



"Watching sports because it's just really fun."

Brittany Stevens, 10



"Doing things on the computer."

Ryan Ali, 11

Noah-



From the time you were Little Noah, we knew you would be a special boy, and we were right. You have given us so much to be proud of. From your excellent schoolwork to your birding, fishing, and biking. You have grown into a wonderful young man. It is with all our love that we congratulate you on your graduation. We look forward to your future and the man you will become. We love you dearly. Noah the Boa, or as your friends call you, NoahBobRobert. Mom & Dad



You've come a long way since that first day at Scott Elementary. We're very proud of you! We hope you'll achieve all your goals and dreams in life. Just remember, we'll always be there for you during the good and the bad. We love you!

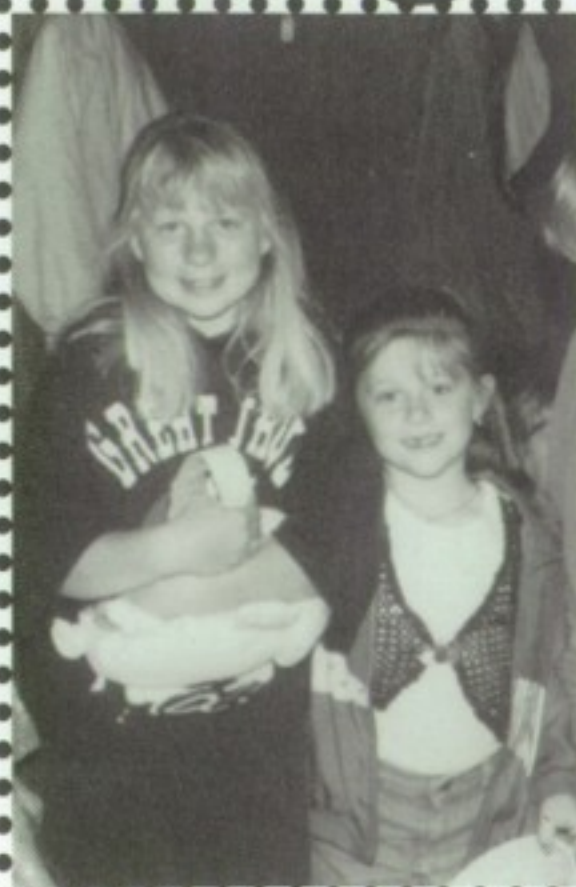
Dad, Chris, and Gunnar



Matt Byous



Emily



Growing up together has been one of the best parts of my life. Thanks for all the good times we've had, like driving around in the car, our inside jokes, Greece, South Sioux City, Iowa (haha), and Cozumel. I'll miss you and I don't know what I'll do without you while I'm in college.

Luv ya!
Christina

P.S. No matter what, you'll be my maid of honor. Haha.



Kristin ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

★
★ Follow your
★ dreams, kid!
★
★ With love,
★
★ Your family
★

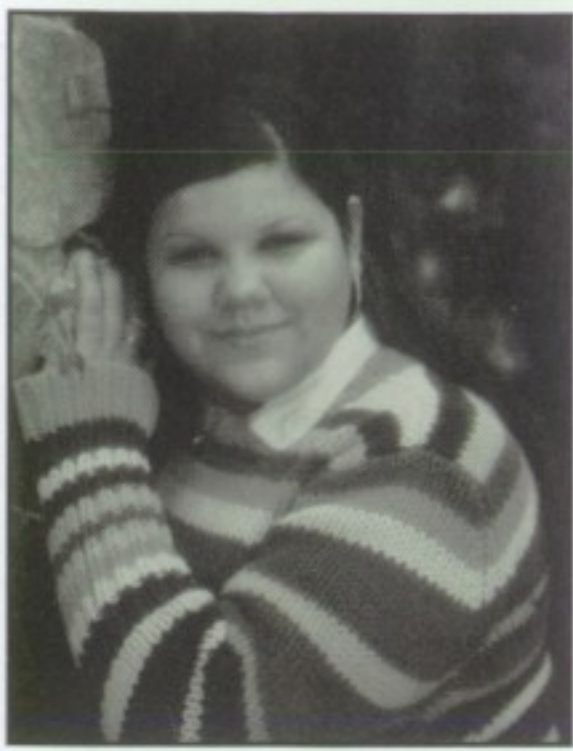


Maria



You are one of the best gifts that God gave us. Your relentless effort, hard work, determination, and overwhelming accomplishments complete your 2nd level of education with flying colors. You made us so happy and proud of you. May you continue to be as you are, continue to grow in wisdom and in character, as well as in spirit, so that your dreams can all be fully realized. Always have faith in the power of prayer, and God will be there to guide and bless you. Thank you, God, for blessing us with Maria, and thank you, Maria, for being such a good daughter. Congratulations and best wishes for your continued success. We love you, Mom, Dad, Greg, Kyle C., Sunshine, Titas And Titos





Every time that I look at you I am amazed with what I see. You are one of the most precious gifts God has given me. Words cannot express how proud I am of you. Always remember how much I love you.

Love, Mom

We love you and are extremely proud. Granma & Pa Santana



We are proud of you, Nicky. Love, Moo & Rob

Nicky



To the person I've looked up to all of my life. Who showed me the meaning of true sacrifice. Who has always stuck by me through our family affairs and who once said "It's not smart to fall back in my chair." Who pooped her pants at the family picnic and has shoved me through glass with the help of her kick. The person I've always wished I could be, to show her how special she is to me. My number one fan with cheer and Take II, this is my sister, Nicky. Thank you. ~Nan



What's your definition of... the best fast food restaurant?



"Fazoli's because it tastes good and they give you free breadsticks."

Jenny Palmer, 11

"I love Arby's. Their chicken fingers rock!"



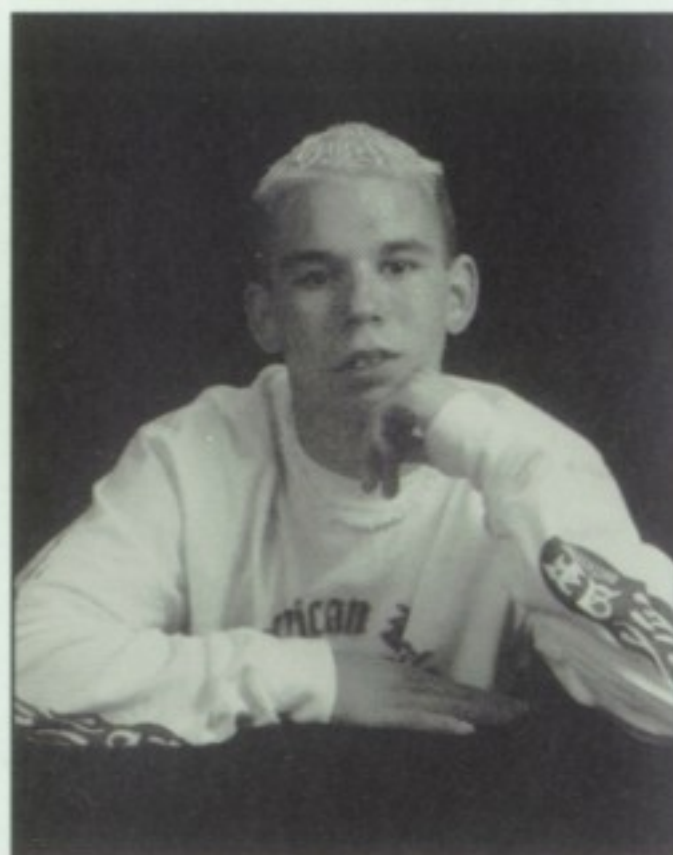
Zach Oehm, 9



"Taco Bell because it's cheap and it has good food."

Danny Beckstead, 11

WORTH



CONGRATULATIONS!

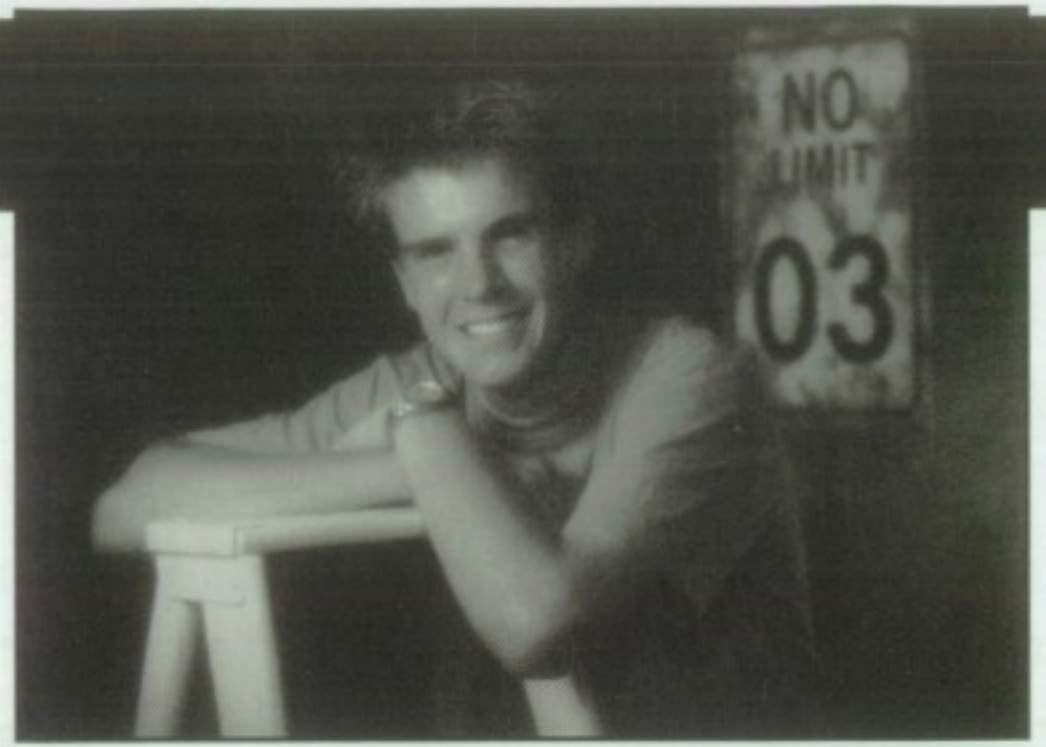
WE ARE PROUD OF YOU.

WE LOVE YOU. MOM, BRENT, BRITTNEY



ERIK

"I can do all things through Christ who strenghtens me."
-Phillipians 4:13



There are no limits to the love we have for you! We look forward to seeing how God will use you and your many gifts.
Love, Mom, Dad, and Megan

Karlee

Kristen

Kristel



We are going to miss you guys so much, and it's not going to be the same without you guys here. Have fun next year, and don't forget about us. We love you guys!
Love, Jenny & Briana



Maggie



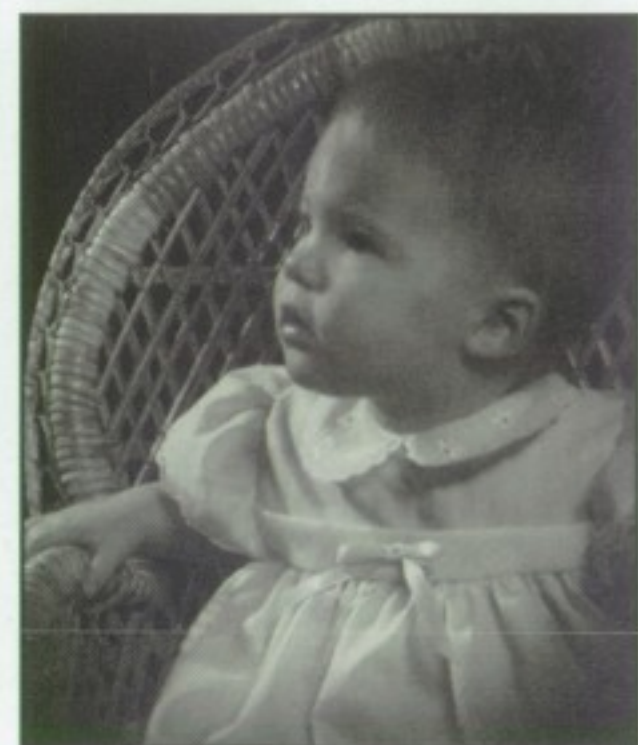
Happy Graduation,
Maggie!

Love, Mom & Dad

Amanda

We have one question for you: when are you moving out? Just kidding!

It seems like only yesterday that you were starting your first day of school! Of course time stood still at times, like the time you bid your report card... or bating us from the time you were 13 to 16 (glad those days are done)! Do you remember how much you were going to hate moving back to Nebraska? You swore that the day you turned 18, you were moving back to New Mexico. We tried to tell you that you'd change your mind. I remember you crying yourself to sleep in the car when we left New Mexico. I felt so terrible for you and hoped we had made the right choice. But it didn't take long to look up old friends and make new ones. Once school started you joined the softball team, track team, and attended every athletic event known to mankind! On any given night, there's anywhere from one to a dozen friends in the family room. I think at this point I can safely say, "I TOLD YOU SO!"



*We want you to know how very proud we are of you! No matter what you choose to do, you will be successful. Not only do you have a beautiful smile (your class was right to vote for you), you have spirit. You are a beautiful young woman with a kind heart, and we love you very much!
Love, Mom and Dad*



What's
your
definition
of...
trends that
should be
brought back?



"Side ponytails with those big scrunchies to match your cool stirrup pants."

Maggie Larkin, 12

"Nothing because I'm fine with all the trends right now."



Mike Rodenbarger, 10

Sonya

The Lord blessed me with you and your brother. Keep on pursuing your dreams.

Congratulations on graduating early!
Love, Mom



"Crimping because it's easier than straightening all of my hair"

Christy Winscott, 12

What's
your
definition
of...
your first
concert?



"It was when I went to my brother's rock band concert."

Angel Hoerner, 9

"In the fifth grade I went to an N'SYNC concert."



Danielle Lentsch, 10



When I was eleven I went to a ZZ Top concert just because."

Thomas Braziel, 9

Rock on, Bailie!



Rachel,

"I hope you never fear those mountains in the distance. Never settle for the path of least resistance. Living might mean taking chances, but they're worth taking; loving might be a mistake, but it's worth making. Don't let some hell-bent heart leave you bitter. When you come close to selling out, reconsider. Give the heavens above more than just a passing glance, and when you get the choice to sit it out or dance, I hope you dance." M. Sanders & T. Siller

We love you,
Dad, Mom, Tony, Karlie, & Jeff





Erin

To hold you, to chase you.
 To love you, to scold you.
 To laugh with you, to cry with you.
 To embrace you, to watch you grow wings.
 It's time to fly and you will soar.

God bless you always.
 Love, Mom, Dad, Megan, Maggie, &
 Alex



Jennifer,

From my little tootsie roll
 to my beautiful young lady
 you have become, I wish for you unlimited
 happiness.

Your true journey is just beginning. Enjoy
 life, and remember I will always be here for
 you. I love you endlessly.

Love, Mommy, Jessica, and Missy



Abby



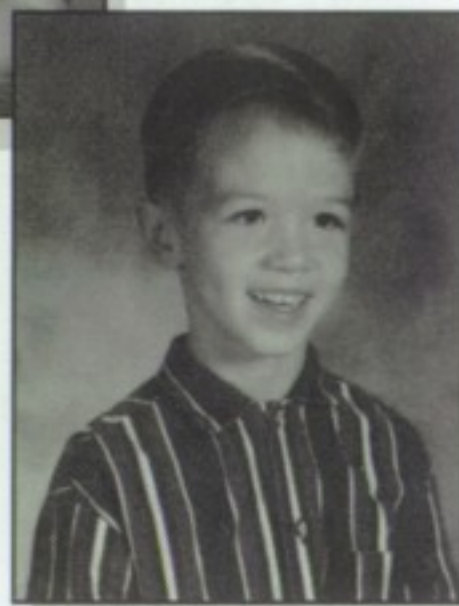
My Life's To Do List

1. ~~Drive the Chevy~~- only stalled 2 times.
2. Watch a drunk man fall off a bar stool.
3. Get married.
4. Go skydiving.
5. Look for buried treasure.
6. Drive a Z-3.
7. Don't live with my parents when I am 40 years old.
8. Walk up to a stranger and kiss him.
9. Spontaneously get on a plane and fly somewhere.
10. Go to the Olympics- swimming or watching.
11. Watch a tornado form then run for my life.
12. Be the town hero and save someone.
13. Get on national T.V.

Congratulations Aaron

Wow, where has the time gone?
 You have grown into a fine young man, and we are so very proud of you. You have a lot of potential and a lot of talent. Follow your dreams and keep your faith and you'll go far. And always remember we're behind you in whatever you choose to do.

Love always, Dad, Mom, Amber, and Autumn



Lauren

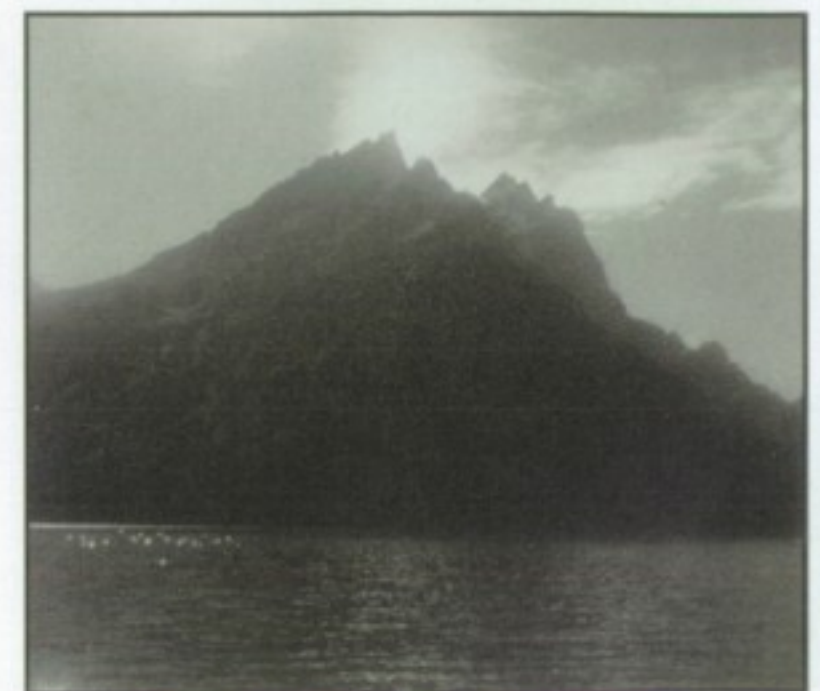
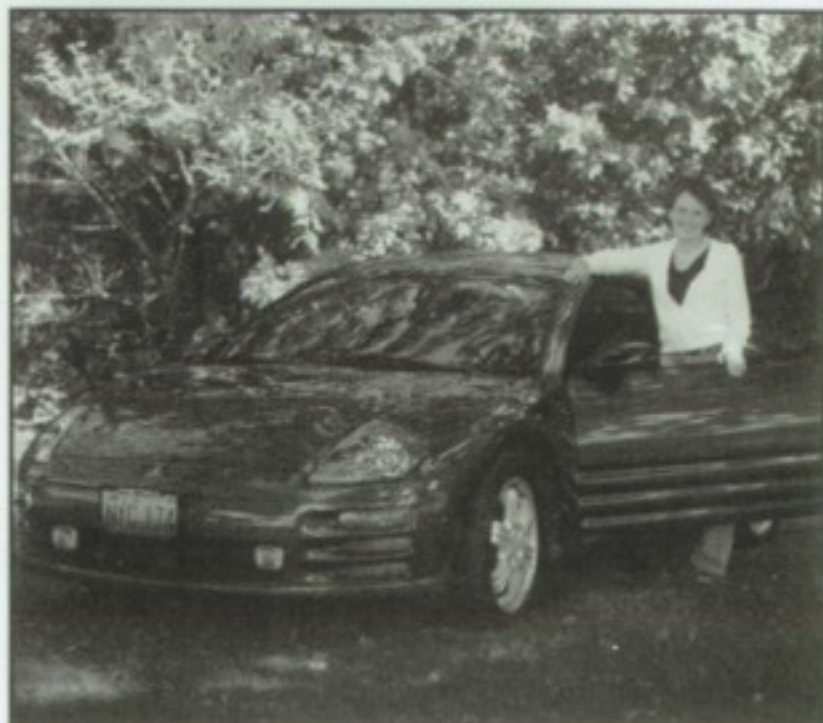
**Dear L,
Friends are the family we choose. We have shared some treasured memories together and will build more as we journey through life. You truly are my big sister and that makes me one of the luckier people in this world. You, my friend, are part of my family. Congratulations on your graduation!
Love always, Mandy**



Lauren Harre

L,
In the blink of an eye you've grown from a precious young child riding her red tricycle through the lot in Jackson, to a beautiful young woman zipping around the country in her little red Eclipse. Since the day you were born you've brought joy to our lives. That childhood has flown and brought to us a kind, generous, compassionate person who possesses maturity beyond her years. Your abilities and ambitions will serve you well. We wish for you great success in career, love, and family and hope you are as blessed as we feel we have been. We love you more than can be put into words. Climb high, climb far, your goal the sky, your aim the stars.

Mom & Dad



Alyssa

Maggie

Micaela

Mary

TACO BELL



painting butterflies

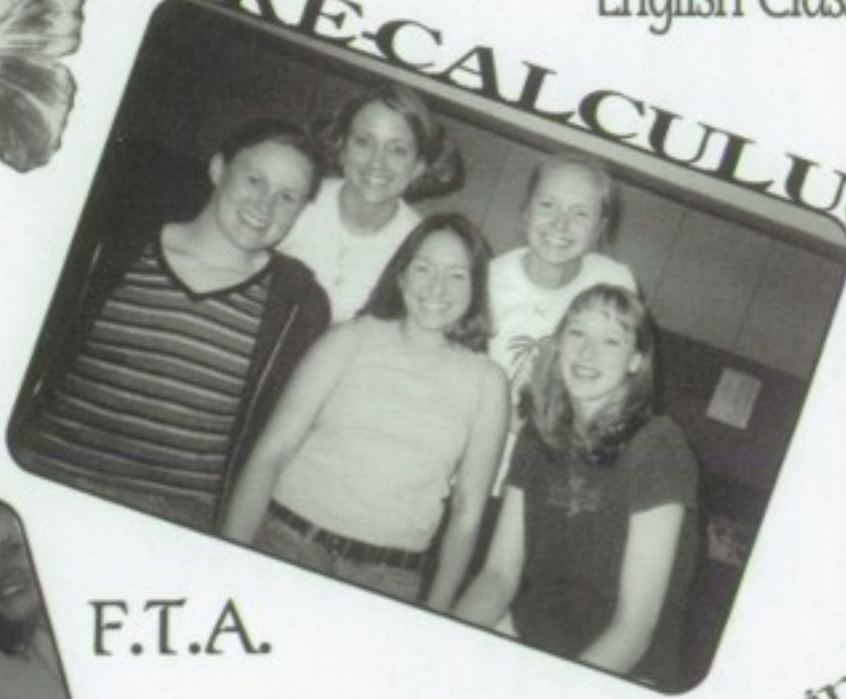


Soccer and Baseball Games

Shopping At Super Target

PRECALCULUS

English Class



F.T.A.

Pink Fingernail Polish Models

CHEERLEADING
PILLOW FIGHTS

basketball games



COOL Vans!

Vanguard Research

Fighting Freshman Year

LIFE-GUARDING



Showcase of Teaching

Steve & Fatty Girl



trash clean-up

ICE SKATING

decorating envelopes

STATE BASKETBALL

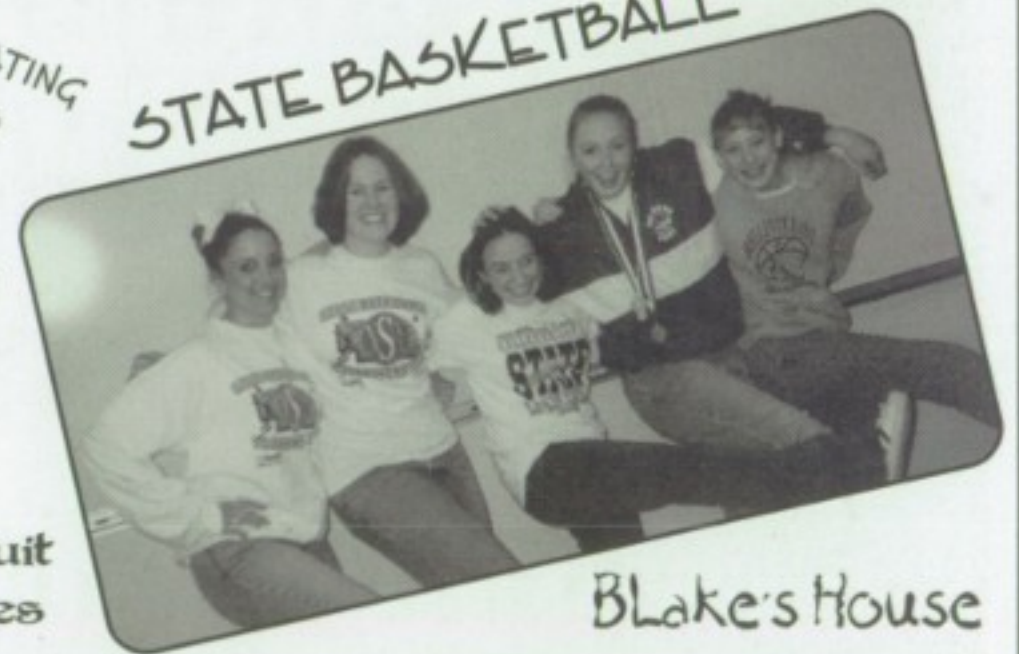
EXCELLENT PEP-RALLY DANCES



VOLLEYBALL WARM-UPS



Fruit Flies



Blake's House

Calculus - Maggie you're the only one now!

Old Chicago? What happened?

What's your definition of... your dream come true?



"To roll up in a H2 Hummer. They're the best."

Joey Ronk, 11



"To be rich and famous. People know you, you have money and no job."

Kenny Brewer, 11



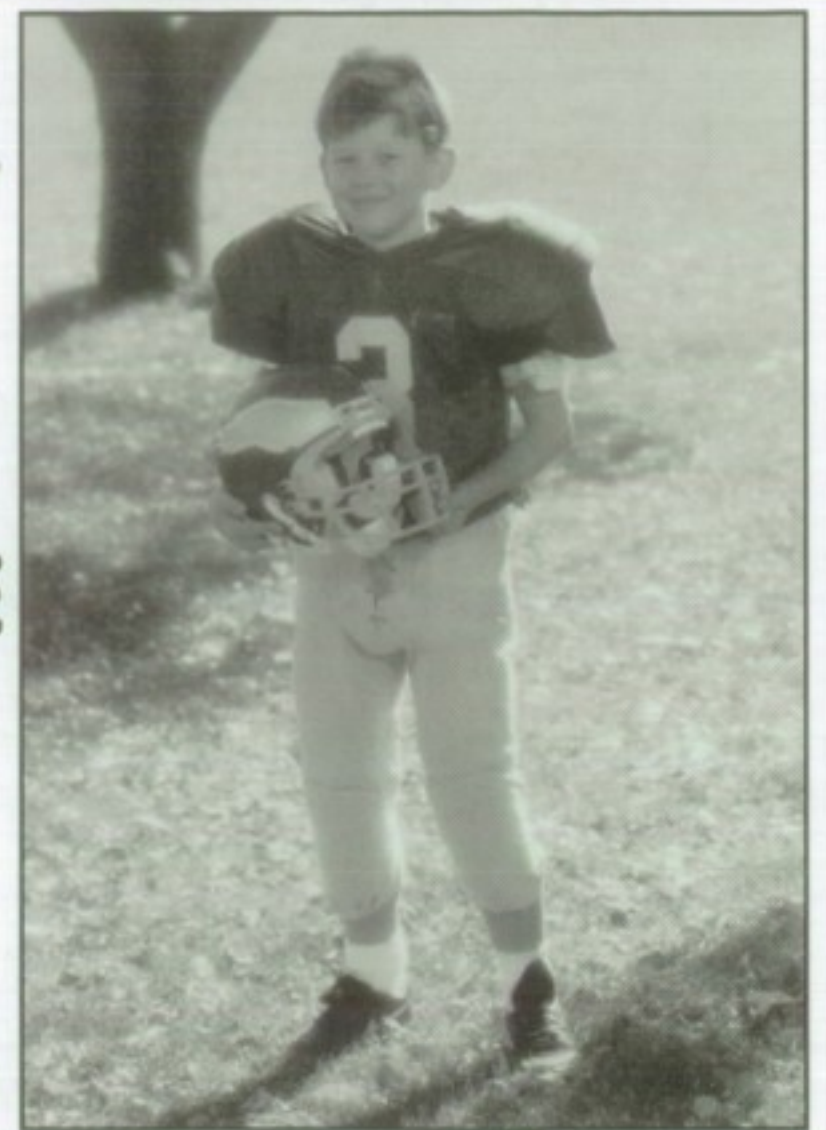
"To get my dream car, a 1999 BMW Z3 baby blue convertible."

Brandon Weatherhead, 12



CONGRATULATIONS, JOHN!

YOUR FAMILY HERE
AND IN HEAVEN
ARE VERY PROUD
OF YOUR
ACCOMPLISHMENTS,



Micayla

You'll always be
our Little Girl!
We Love You,
Mom & Dad



What's
your
definition
of...
your
favorite
class?



"American History. Our teacher makes it fun and he's easy to get along with and make fun of."

Katie Willis, 10



"Weight-lifting, because I can pump these guns that I can't take anywhere else."

Alyssa Berg, 12



"Mr. Lovell's class is cool because he's funny and makes the class easy."

Chris Amoury, 10

Liz Blanton

It's hard to believe this day has come. Your smile and positive outlook on life have always made you a winner. Continue to set high goals and pursue your dreams. We will always be there for you. We are so proud of you. You're a wonderful daughter and sister. We love you, Dad, Lois, Josh, and Ashley

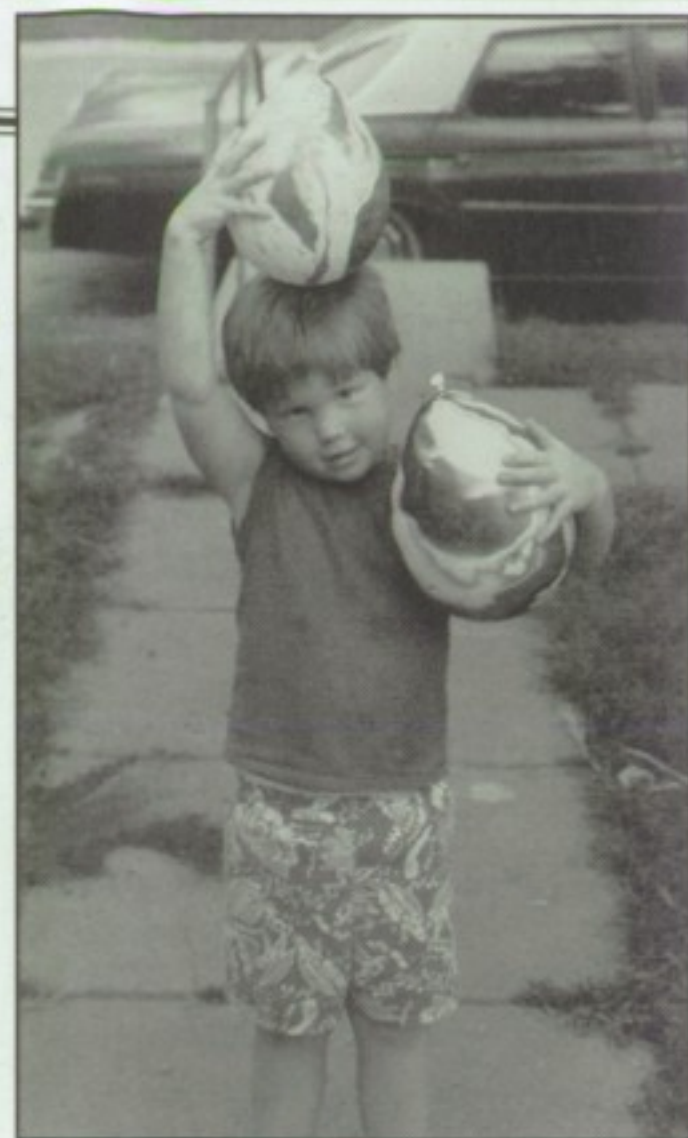


Ricky

You have the power to bring great joy into the lives of others as you have done with your family.

We love you.

Mom, Dad, Zara, Tyler



Stephanie

All of your hard work has paid off.

Congratulations!
We are very proud of you.

Love, Mom and Dad

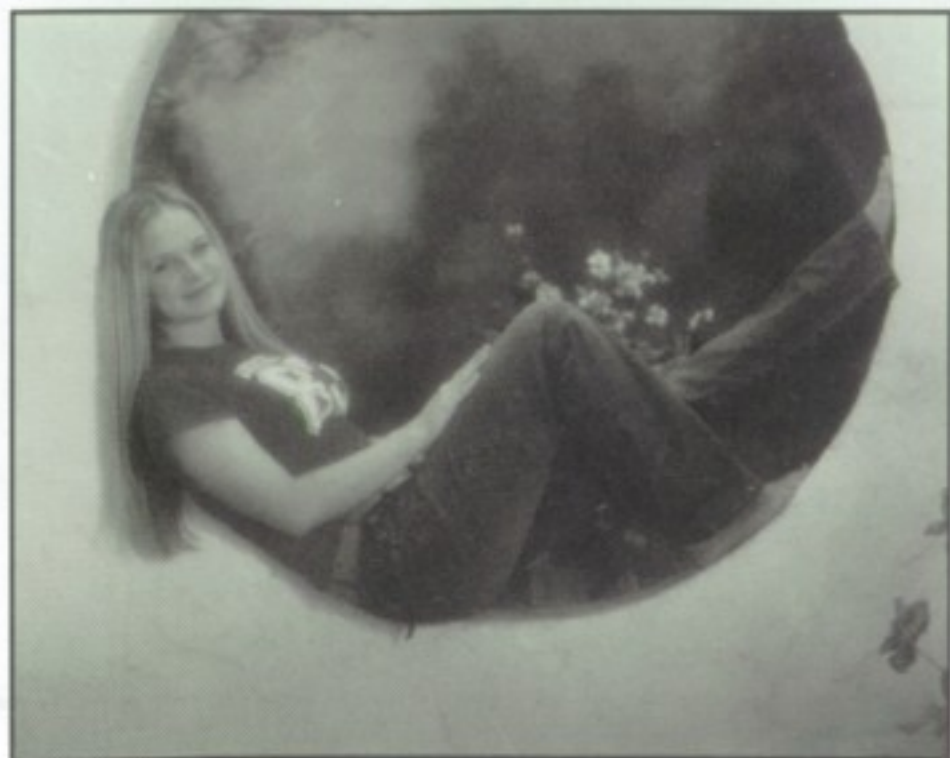


Kelly

You've grown into a wonderful young lady, intelligent and talented. Always believe in yourself. I'm so proud of you.

I love you.

Mom



MATTHEW MATTHEW MATTHEW

YOU MADE IT!!!
 CONGRATULATIONS, SON!
 I'M PROUD OF YOU!!
 SO WHETHER YOU BECOME



A FAMOUS
 FISHERMAN,



OR TRAIN ENGINEER,



OR A
 SPORTS
 STAR,



- JUST REMEMBER,
 YOU WILL ALWAYS BE
 MY SUPER HERO!!!
 LOVE, MOM

What's
 your
 definit'ion
 of...
 what you
 can't live
 without?



"My mommy, because she's my stars in the sky and the warm feeling in my heart."

Corey Martinez, 11



"Boys. Every girl needs a boy in her life."

Catherine Simons, 9



"My car, because I hate having to rely on other people to get around."

Matt Zimmer, 11

★ ★ ★ Liz ★ ★

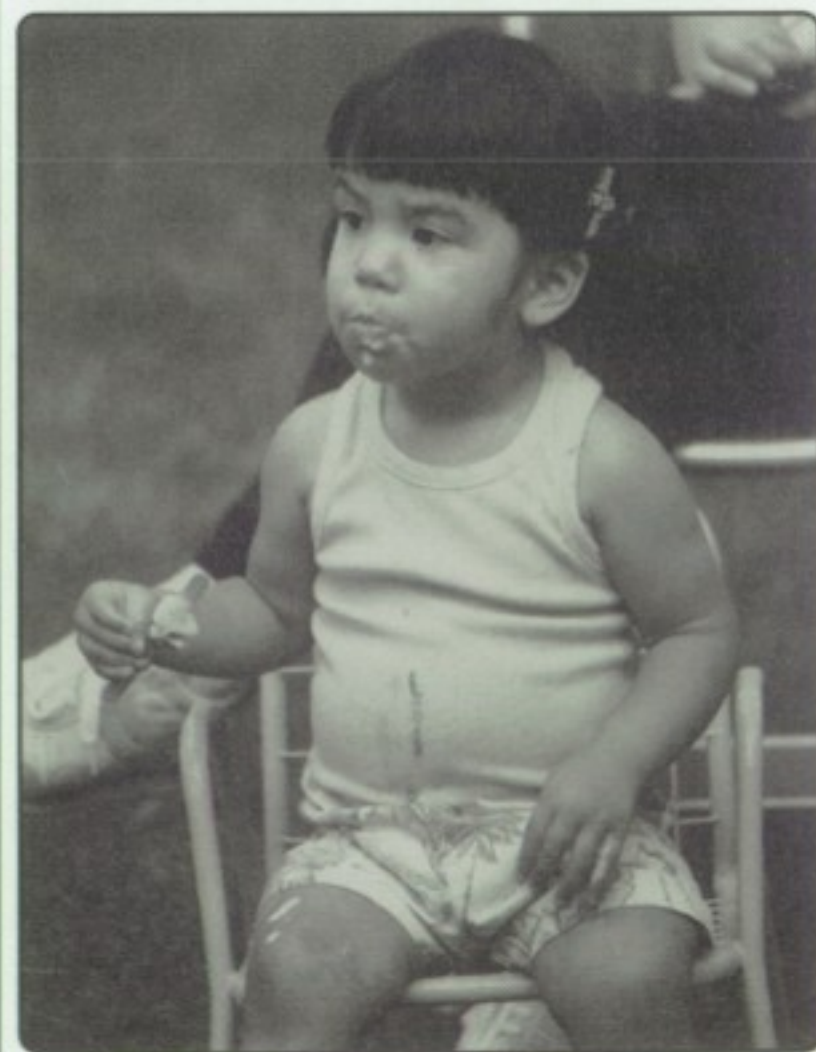
Congratulations!
May you keep
the good Lord in
your life as you
continue on your
journey.

We love you!
Mom, Lacy, Keesha



Katie

Here you are
at the thresh-
old of your
adult life. The
world is wait-
ing. Go for it!
Live your
dreams with
love and
pride.



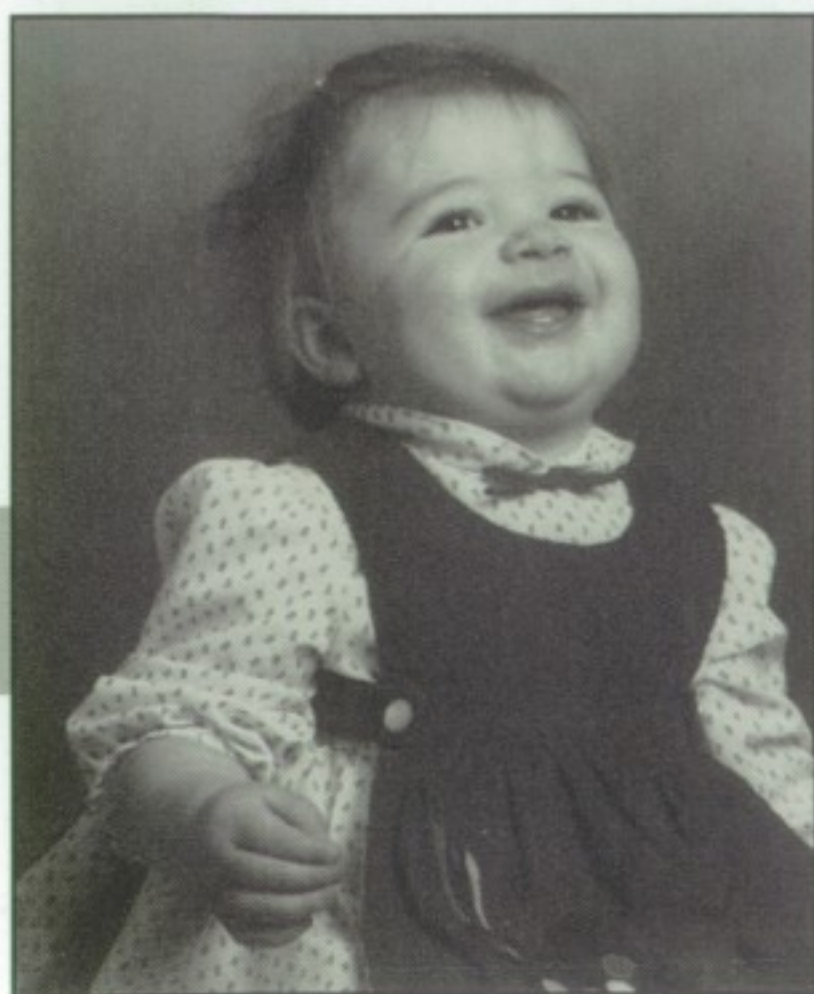
Mom, Dad,
Justin, Nicky,
and Blake

Christian

"Really living is about achieving your long-term goals and being pleased with your level of personal growth."
- Leslie Parrott

Christian, may you achieve all you desire and more. Congratulations, I am so proud of you!

All my love, Mom



What's your definition of... your idol?



"Bryan Warner because he stands up for what he believes in even though people think he's wrong."

Tanya Wjocik, 12

"My mother because she's a strong woman and a very good mother."



Ryan Martinez, 12



"Selena, because she struggled to be in Tejano music, which is predominantly men, and she made it through successfully."

Kat Cunningham, 11

Drama



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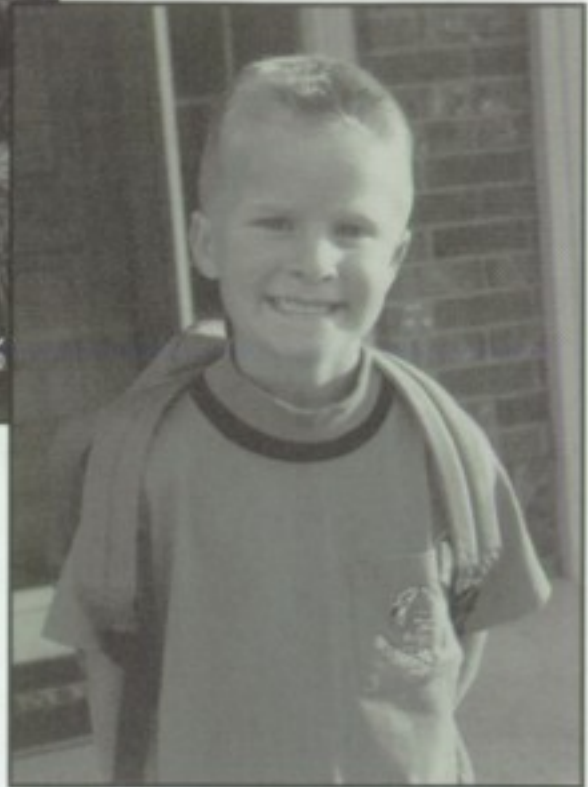
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DANNY



You were always so unpredictable with your independent spirit! The determination to overcome and even conquer the obstacles and challenges you've faced is inspiring. We know you will succeed! You are such a blessing to us.

We love you!

Mom, Dad, Erick, & Andy



Congratulations, Nicky!



We are so proud of what you have become. Lots of Luck and Love.
Grandpa John and Grandma Jackie

KERRIE



You've never stopped amazing us...anything you set your mind to doing, we know, is achievable.

You will excel in all your endeavors from being a flutist to becoming an elementary school teacher.

Never stop being the fun-loving person you are. We are all so proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad, Travis, and Mel



"The roots of knowledge are bitter, but the fruits are sweet." -Cicero-



N Once upon a time there was a funneŕ little girl
I Who would giggle and sing as she danced and twirled.
C The skates and the bike now hang on the wall
O As reminders of times when you were so small.
B CDs and make-up have taken the place
E Where dolls and stuffed animals used to laeŕ.
The ŕears have gone beŕ as quickleŕ as theŕ saeŕ
But the little girl memories remain daeŕ after daeŕ...
Nicole, we are trueleŕ blessed to have you in our lives.
We are so proud of what you have done and what
you have become. The world is now in your hands.
Grasp it and never let it go!

All Our Love,
Dad, Mom, & Nate

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**Thanks for making my
first year great!**

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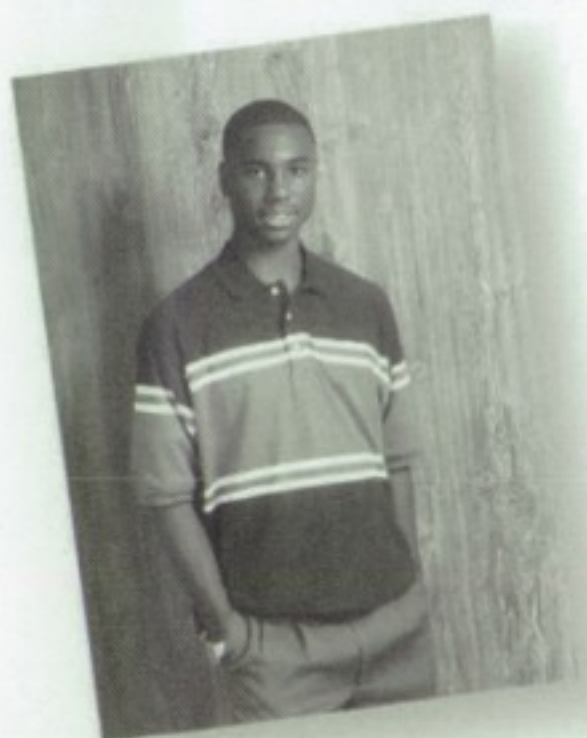


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♥ya! Heather Jones '03

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Love
Danny.

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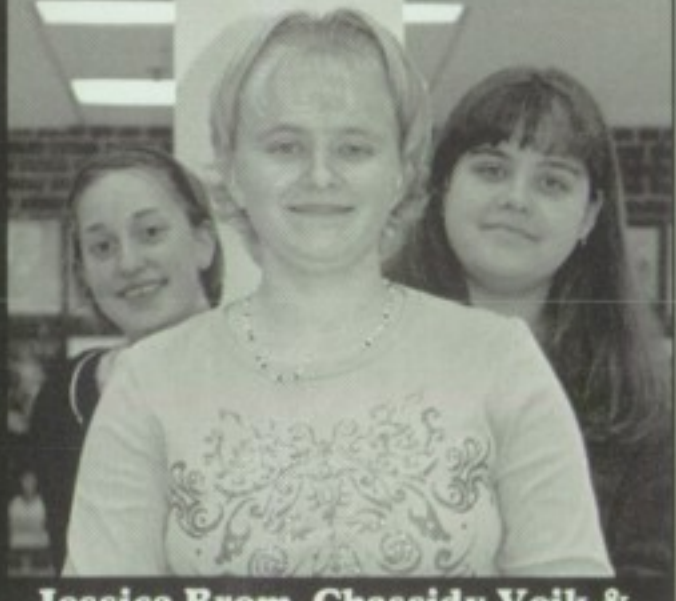
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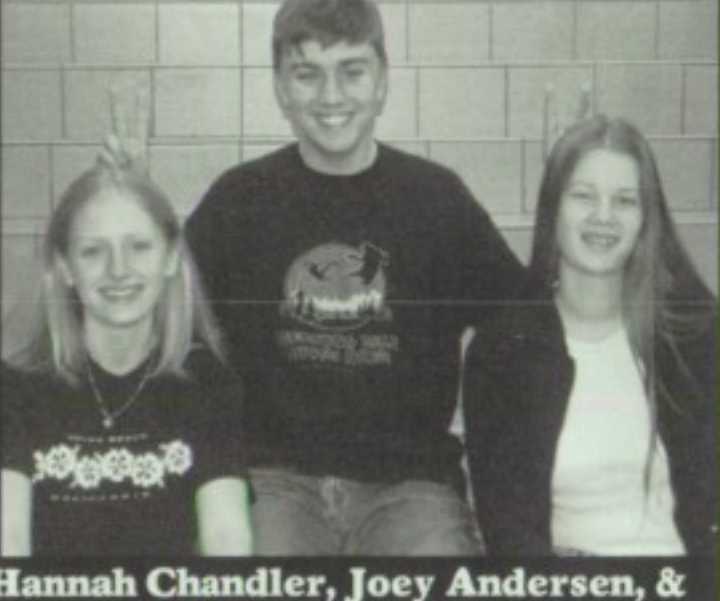
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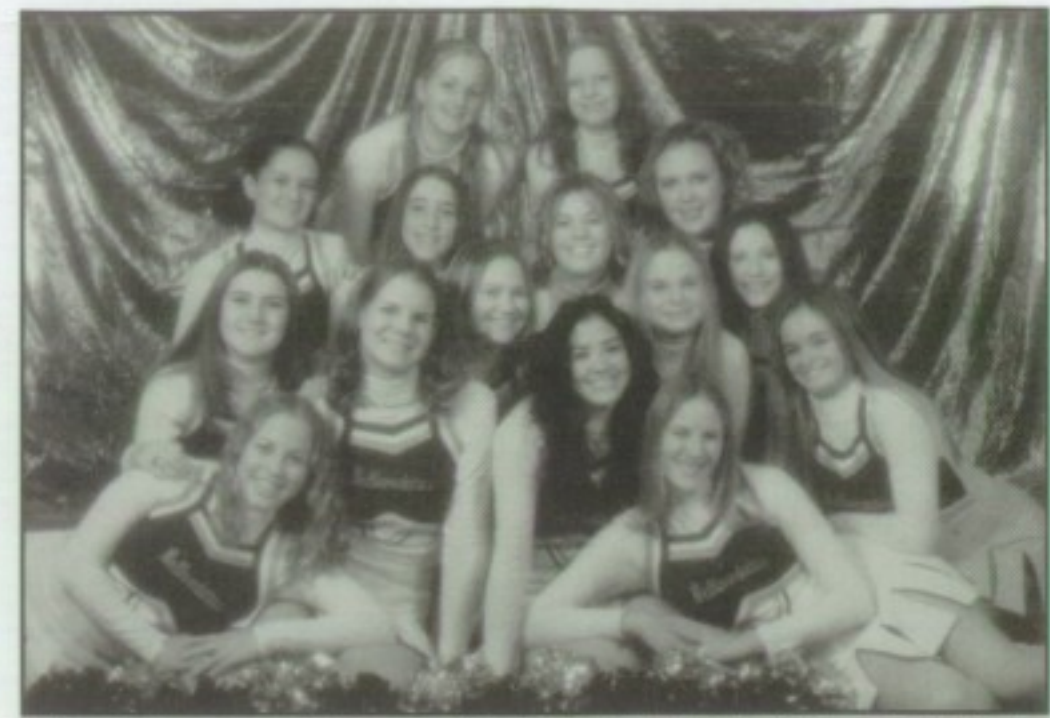
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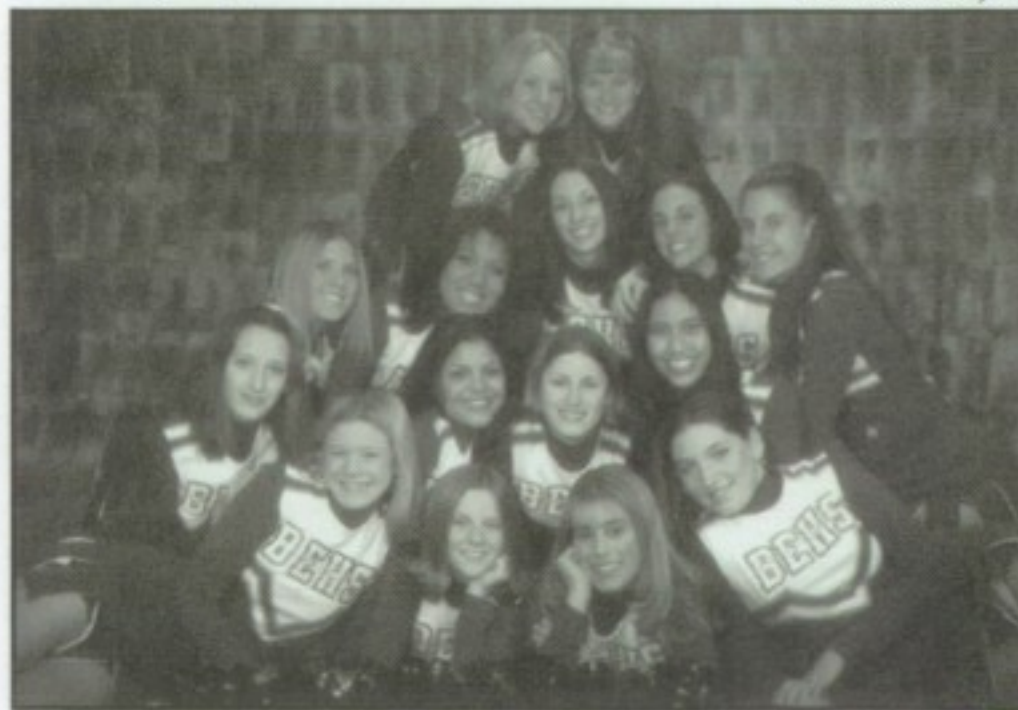
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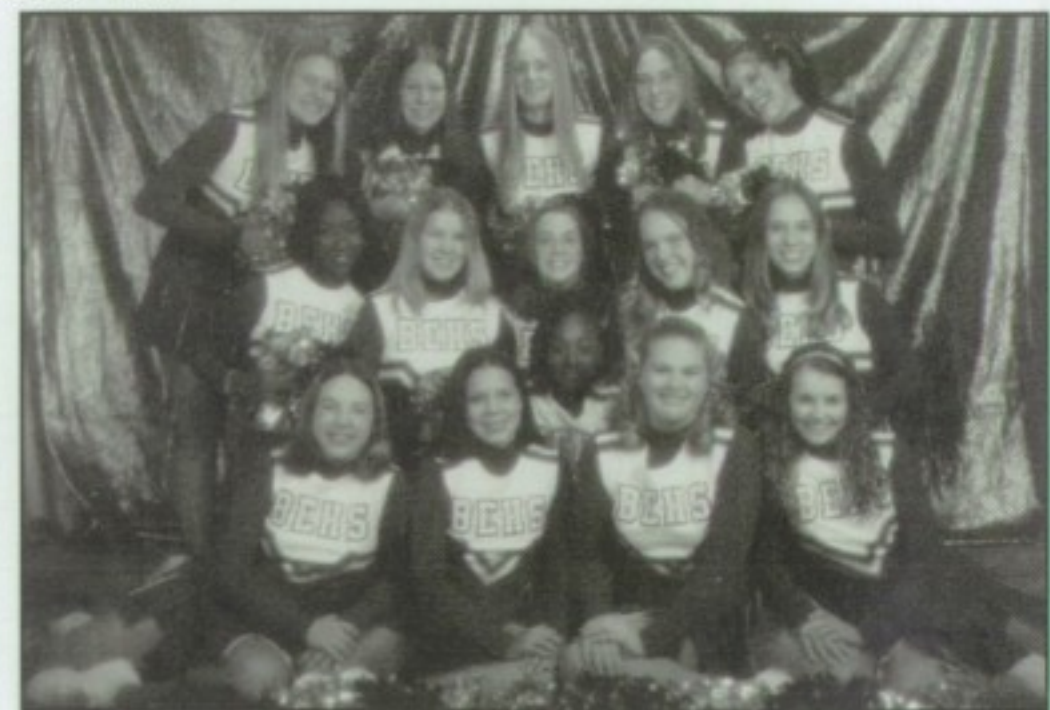
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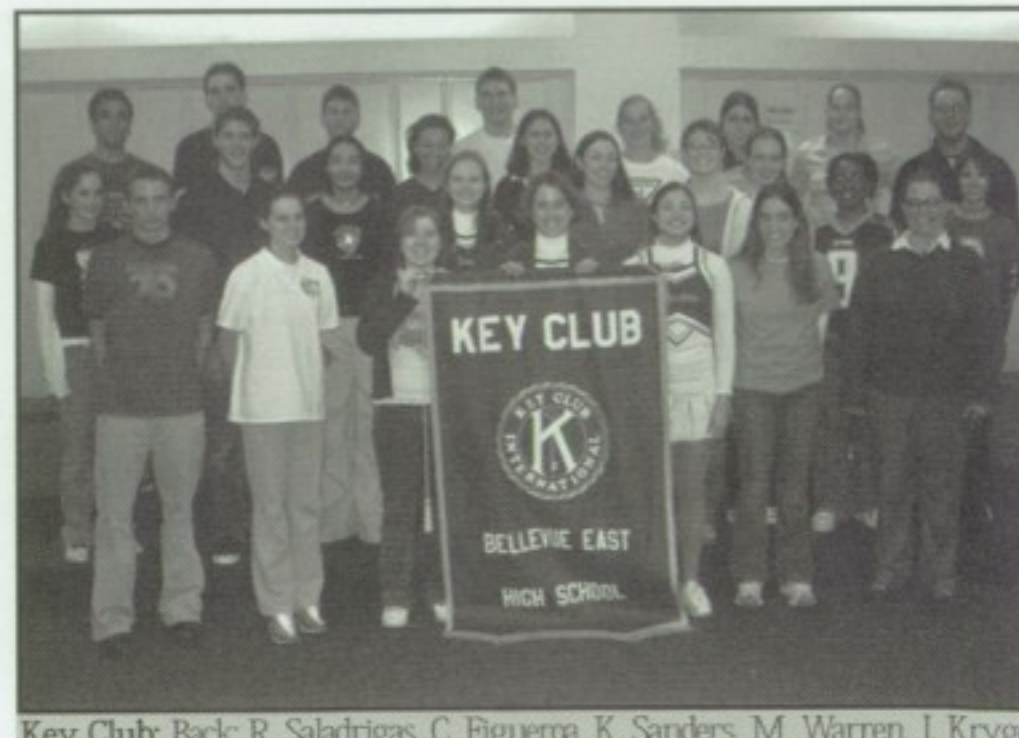
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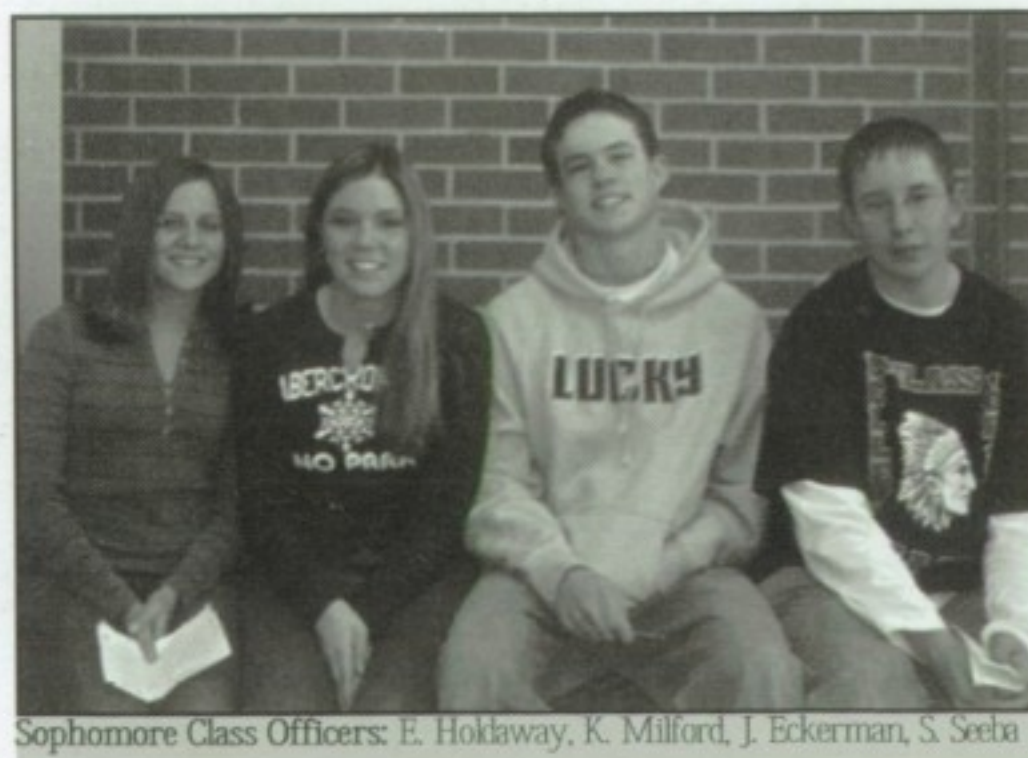


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What we're about


The days went by so fast. It seems like a week ago we were putting in long hours at musical rehearsal or celebrating the varsity girls basketball victory over West. Only yesterday we were picking up tuxedos and having our hair done for prom. We were too busy getting involved and showing our spirit; we forgot the end was coming.

Some of us will come back and continue the traditions kept throughout the years; for others, it was our last time stepping foot in this building. We'll rely on our memories of the biggest events of the year... the wrestlers winning districts and the powerlifters placing 1st in the state competition, including eight individual winners: seniors Bryan Bell, Jaque Ong, Christina Wedner, and juniors Roger Washington, Chris Bridges, Matt O'Hanlon, Bonnie Strawn, and Amanda Moerles; it was the second year in a row the girls took home the state title.


Even though we'll have the serious memories of President Bush announcing his decision for the United States to go to war with Iraq, we'll also think back to how over 100 students and faculty members each donated a pint of blood to help our loved ones overseas.

As we took our last steps through these halls, we knew that all the memories would never let us forget

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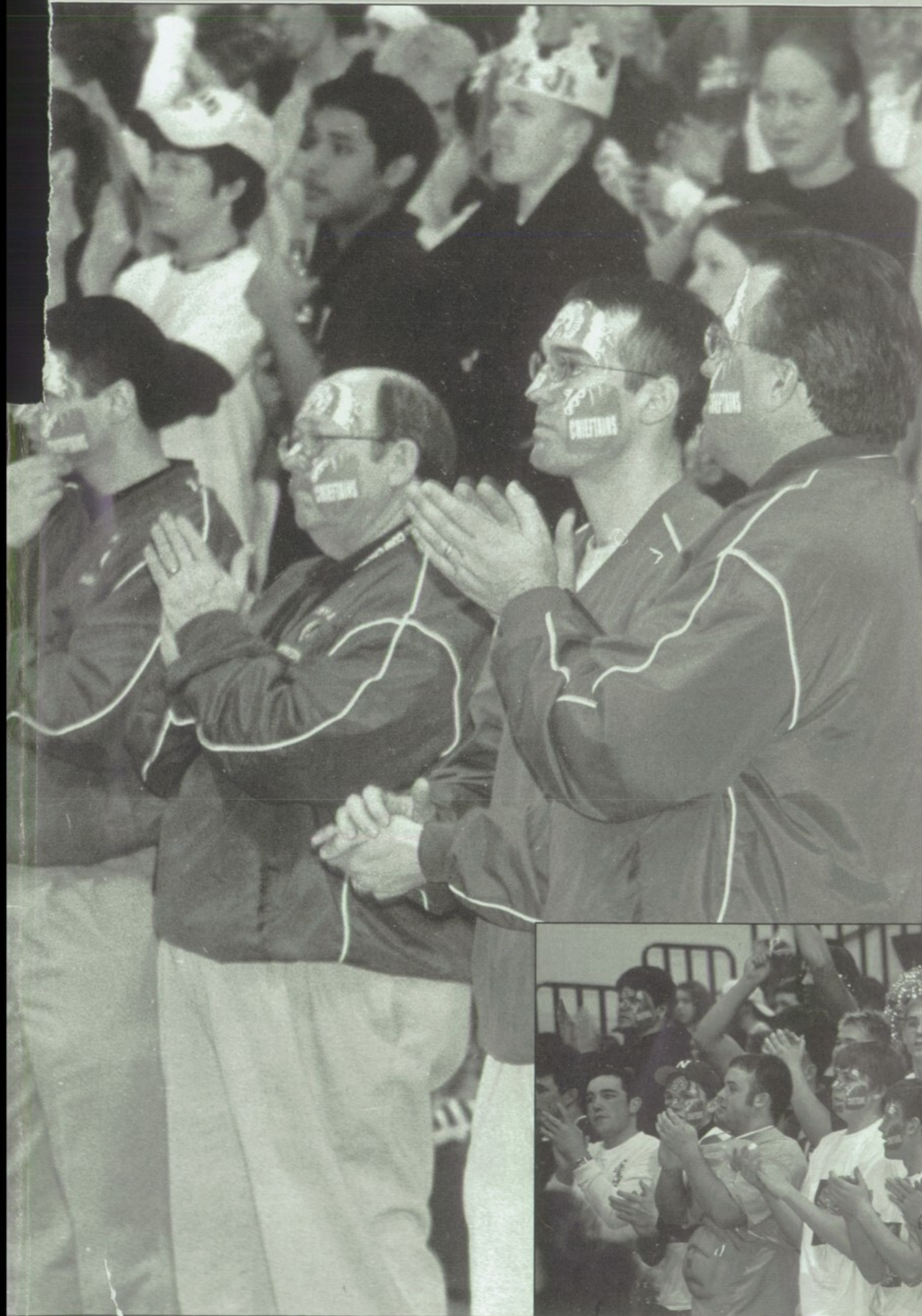
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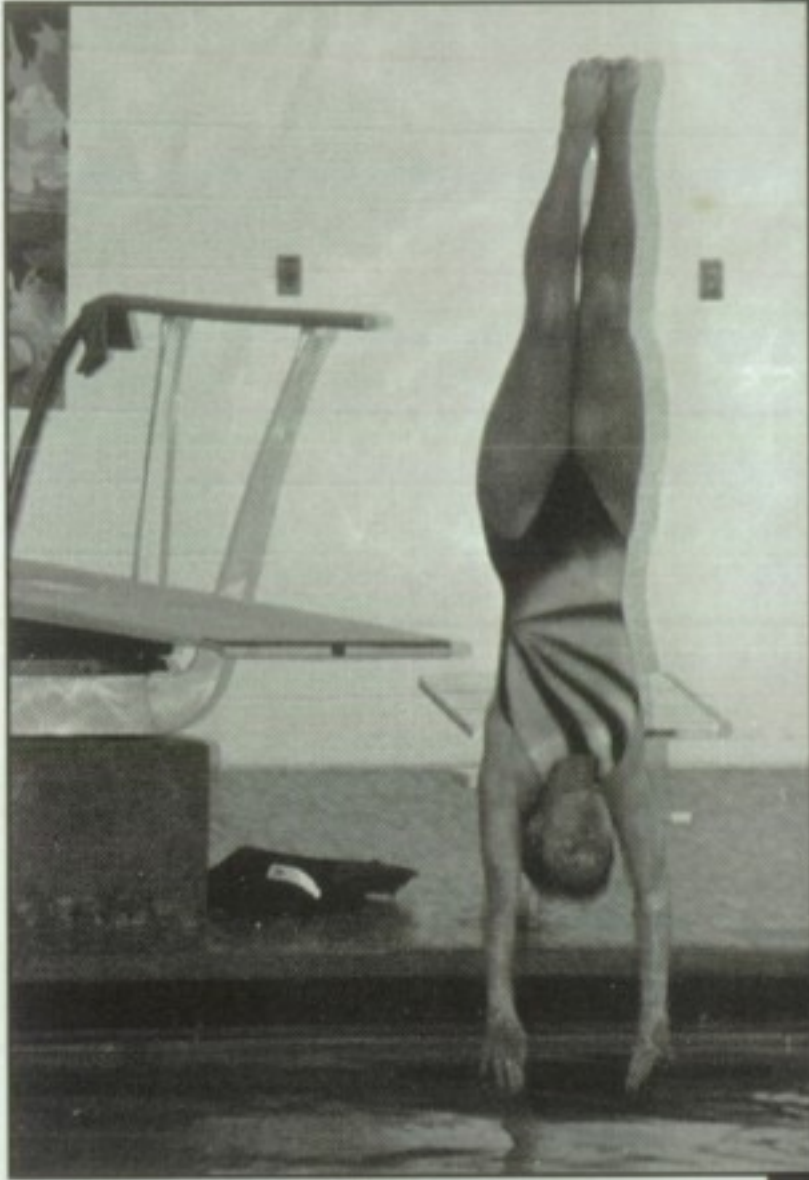
Even though spirit mainly stood out in the students, the faculty of East show their share by wearing game faces during the East vs. West varsity basketball games. The stickers were donated by the principal's advisory committee and given to every student during homeroom.

During the varsity girls basketball game against Bellevue West, the crowd cheers to keep them motivated. The girls ended up winning the game 44-30.

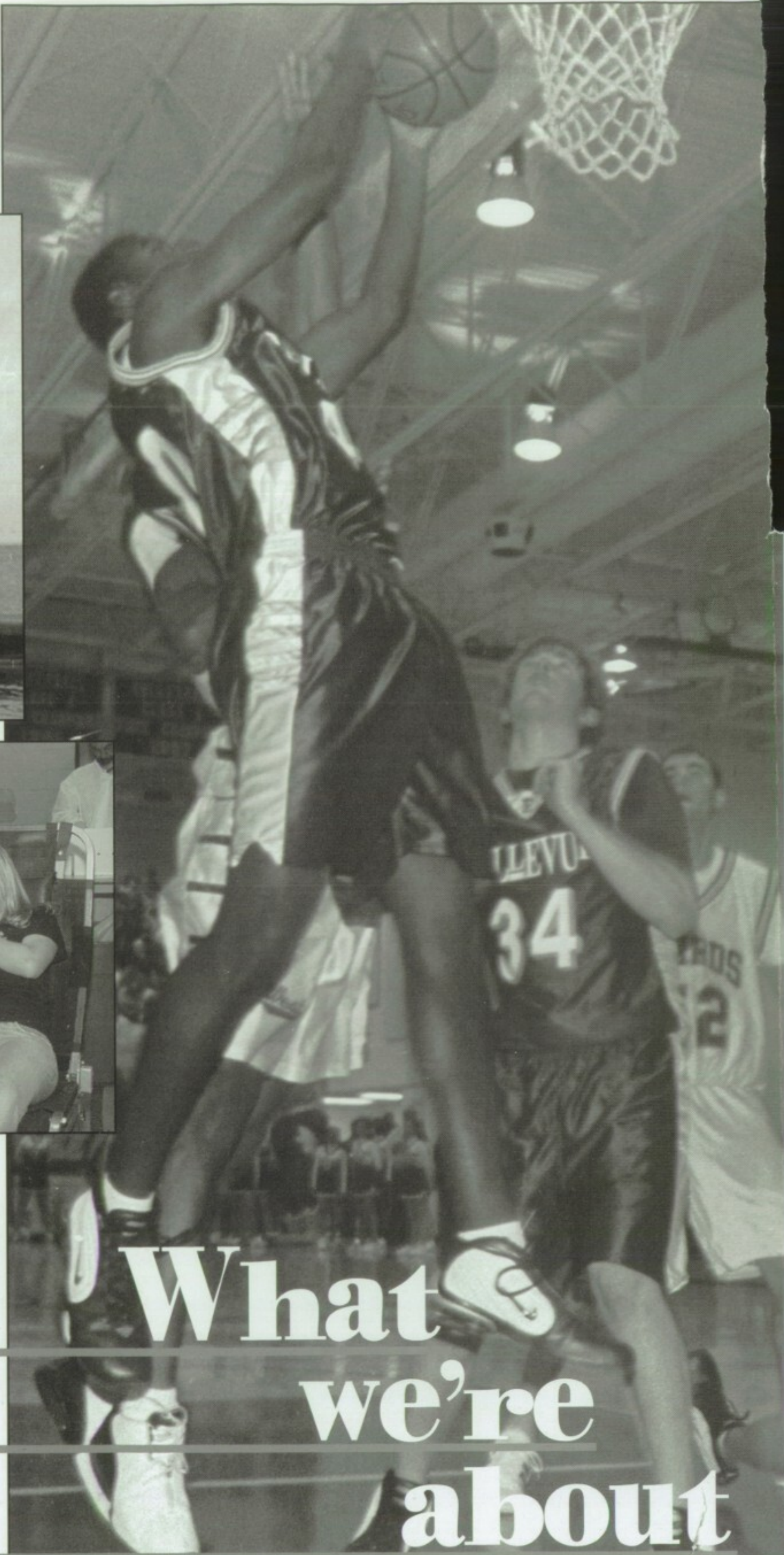


Going head first into the water, senior Jessie Jenkins completes a dive during a meet. Jenkins was the only diver to compete at state.

Fighting with his West opponent, senior Reggie Cutler leaps to make a basket. Even though the boys lost, they went on to win the first game at districts, beating Omaha South 63-45.



To help the nurse find a vein, junior Natalie Markley squeezes a rubber ball. Markley was just one of over 100 people to donate for the blood drive put on by the Student Council.



What we're about

Hey This year has been great ~~time~~ see
you next year in Bend.

Happy

Hey there beautiful!!

you are so awesome! It has
been so great to know you. I hope
we see more of each other
next year. Give me a call sometime
so we can go hang out!

706-3040!!

Love Jay
Miranda

BTTF
NOR
JAKE

HAHAHA
you're stuck here
and I'm not...
Loser

well seeing as how the front of
the book is all ready taken I'm
wrighting in the back...
seeing as right now I feel like
Being unoriginal I'm going to
Put what every one else is
putting... Have a great summer
see ya next year & keep on smiling

- Jamie -

MAR 60
to get y greer
you to know
h w c a greer
summer
502
293

oh- and dont run on hard wood
floors with socks on... it hurts

Party hardy,
Rock & Roll,
Drinkakeg,
Smoke a Dowl.
HAKAS

So,
Smoke alot
of pot and get
Fucked up and
shit so.

later
man

4:20
fuck
o' d'utim

yo was up
17:5 AM
I'll see ya
in march
band next
year
Jim Tim
Dont say
Ce 143764

- Kitty Kat

291-6578

P.S. we are Stoners
we have class
fuck with us we'll
kick your ass

it's hard to believe that
the years almost over.
we were all just yesterday
stool! hope you're in middle
of school. party. drunk. smoke!
DON'T
DO IT
wouldn't
anything
Jamie
Dude

Drack from

~~Have a~~

MARGEUX →
IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE HAVING
YOU IN BAND THIS YEAR. KEEP
WORKING HARD!

I love you!
Bobby

Ed. Reed
Smoke th
chronic!
stay cool.

JAMES
292-4350
HAKAS
I'm going to
be a Jr.

Hey
Have a great summer + I will
see you in band camp.
Hindsey Nielsen

hey, I hope you have a great summer.
and have a fun high school experience, your
a good friend its always a trip.

Always
yessica

933-5852

Hey
It's been great to know
you this year. I can't wait
to see you next year. I
hope to see you some time
this summer. See you
next year!
Beth
e-mail at bethpheonix-gr12002@yahoo.com
or call me at 933-5496

Hey Margeaux,
waz up? I hope you have a
great summer + see ya next
year.

love,
Janeane

e-mail at je982@html.com or call
934-9811 (not during weekdays)

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