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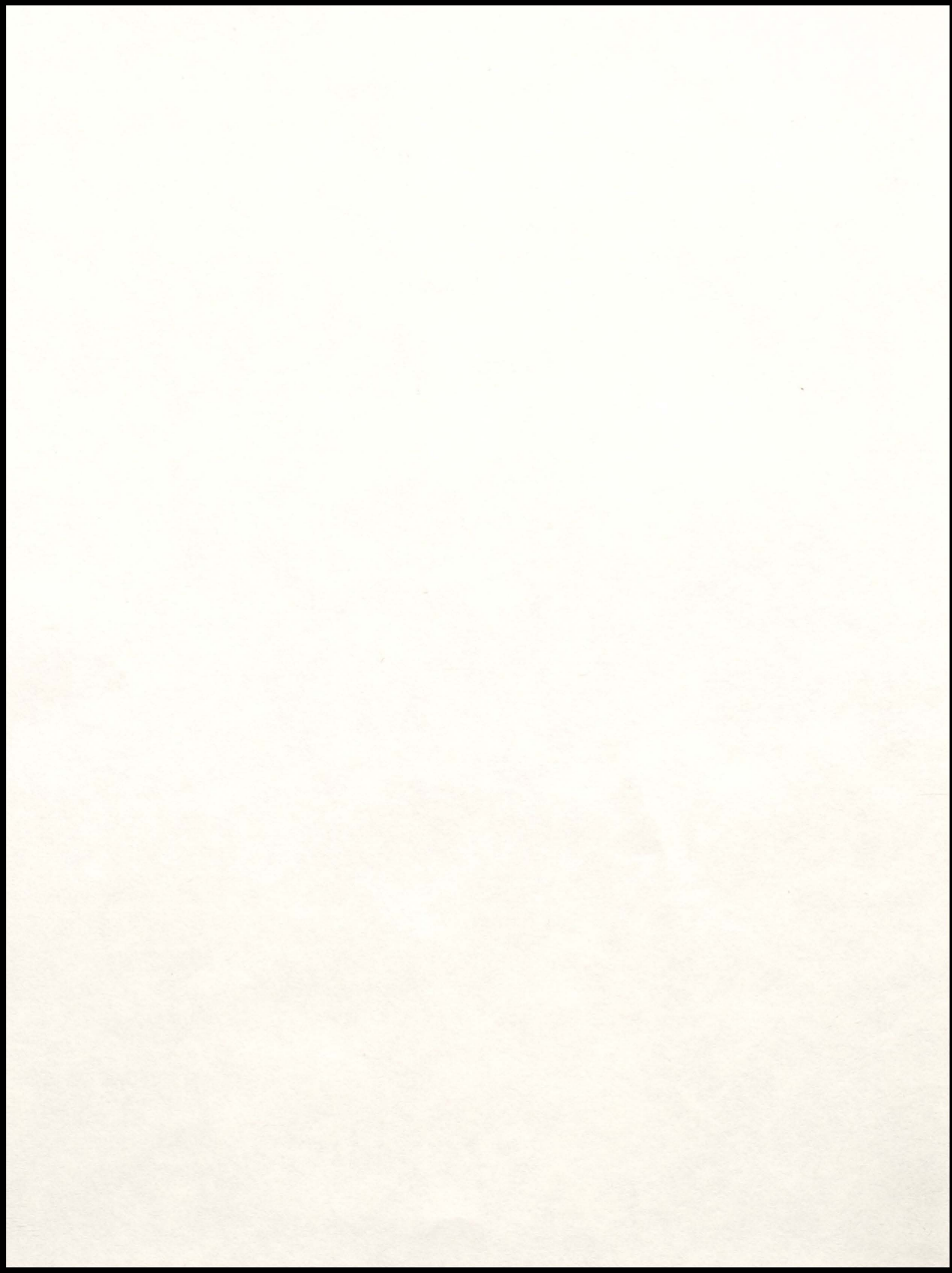
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The MGHS Edge

Teenagers by nature feel a need to test their boundaries. Mountain Grove High School students are no exception. This year in every way students at MGHS were "Livin' on the

Edge," be it in the risks they took on the playing field, in the classroom, or the weekends, or in any other extra-curricular activities. Some risks were frightening while others were not, some were dangerous, and some were completely necessary.

We are on the edge of time itself. As we approach the twenty first century and the millennium many things in our everyday lives are questioned. It was not so long ago that 1999 seemed very far away and now it is part of the date that we write on all of our assignments.

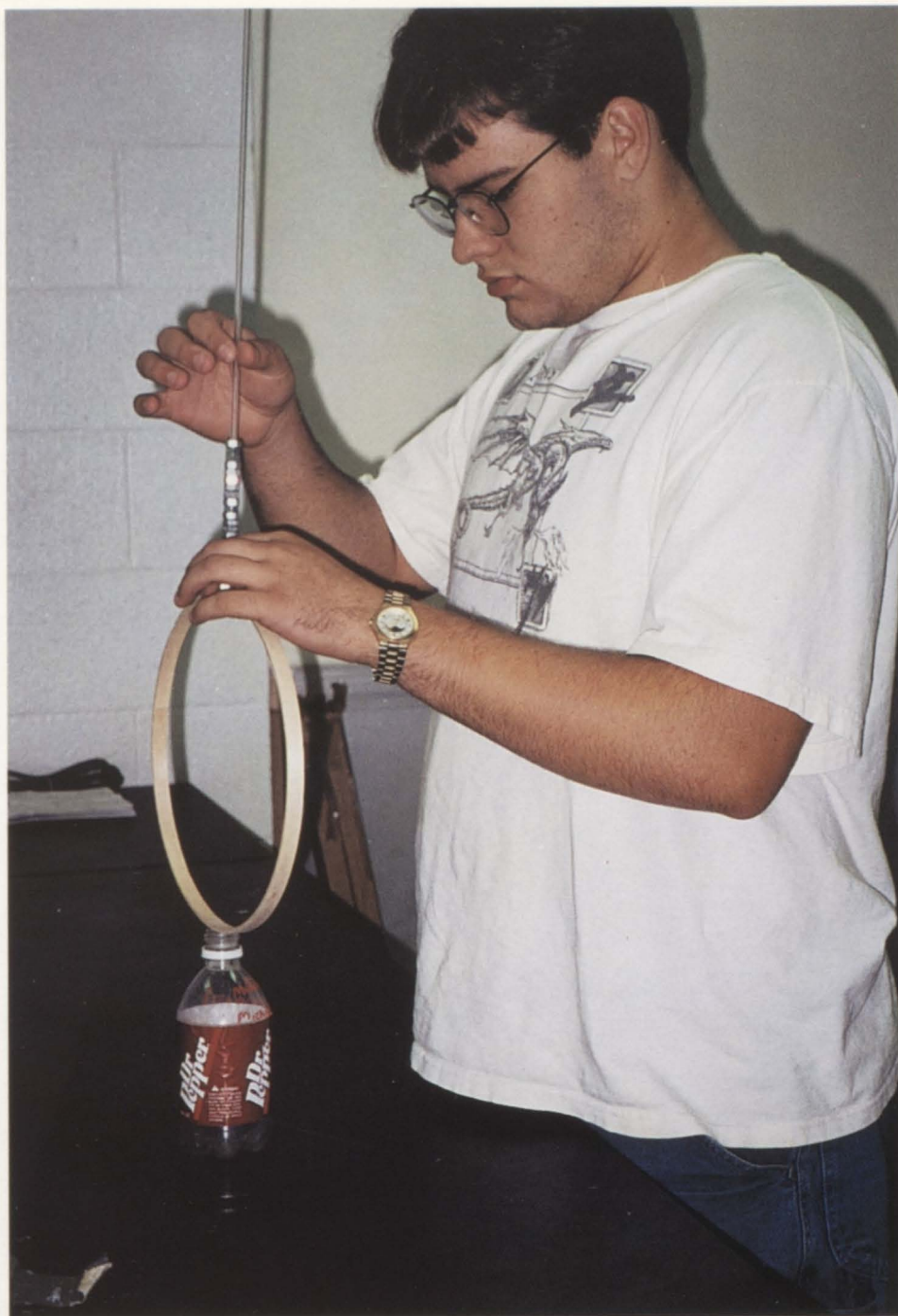


Drawing a self portrait by looking at themselves in a piece of mirror, above, senior Cathy Smith and sophomore Ryan Duey work during Art 1. The teacher, Mr. Willingham, was new to the Mountain Grove district this year. Photo by Allison Curry

Attempting to keep her head dry during "See You at the Pole," right, is freshman Rebeca Doroscan. "See You at the Pole" is an annual event where Christian students meet before school to pray. Photo by Jaime Ramsey



dancing along to the beat, freshmen Laurel Killgore takes a break from her duties as a band member to show her spirit and pride for the Panther team at a pep assembly.
Photo by Jessica Peterson



Senior Nathaniel Barbe works hard in Physics to make his experiment a success. Many students found Mrs. Peterson's classes to be some of the most challenging of all the classes at MGHS. Photo by Rachelle Douglass



Explaining how to tie a shoe, sophomore Edward House delivers a "how to" speech in Ms. Buffington's class. Photo by Penny Carmon

Watching her fellow drum major during the Homecoming ceremony, junior Samantha Dennis watches intently as senior Jaime Ramsey is crowned Homecoming Queen. Photo by Jessica Peterson



Seniors are on the edge of a new and uncertain future while freshmen look ahead to the four years that will make up their high school careers. Students seem to always be on the edge of something new, a new season in athletics, a new prospect for love, or a new challenge to overcome. Very rarely is a teenager's life completely boring.

As we go through our lives, we will understand more and more clearly that the edge is not as scary as we once thought. The edge you are at now is not the first and it will not be the last. It is just another of life's many hurdles. In a

world of uncertainties one thing is certain, MGHS students will keep on...

Living' on the EDGE



Raising funds for the junior class to finance prom, junior Jamie Raney, above, places money in the cash box at a varsity football game. Photo by Tara Shaw



During a pep assembly, left, the three "lady" contestants in "The Dating Game," junior Jason Glenn, seniors Jeff Moore and Jacob Scott sing "Happy Birthday" to principal Mike Murphy. Photo by Rachelle Douglass



Sophomore Jamie Peterson and senior Jared Doty take a moment at the school-sponsored Christmas dance to show what a good time they are having. Homecoming and Prom were also popular events for students to attend during the school year. Photo by Angela Dunbar

Student Life

"On the weekends I hang out with my friends. We usually go bowling or to someone's house to watch movies."

-Jamie Raney, junior

"I think that every kid is going to do it (drinking, smoking, etc.) and if they go somewhere and don't drive it's groovy."

-Randy Sparks, junior

"If you drop food on the floor and it hasn't been there more than two seconds, you can eat it."

-Rebecca Horton, freshman

"A lot of the people in the high school drink. They know what they are doing before they start."

-Misty Ridgeway, freshman

"On the weekends I usually hang out with my friends. There isn't much to do in Mountain Grove."

-Amanda Gould, sophomore

"You gotta do what you wanna do!"

-Penny Carmon, senior



Following a near deadly car accident involving sophomores Tyler Owens and Grant Watson as they attempted to cross a low water bridge during high water, an assembly addressing the dangers of crossing low water bridges and making other destructive choices was held at MGHS. The truck, belonging to sophomore Tyler Owens, was used as a visual reminder of what could and did happen. Photo by MIndy Lee

Although at times MG can be boring, high school students still find ways to have fun



Braving the cold. Taking a moment to enjoy a break from customers seniors Heidi Sonnenschein and Tara Shaw, below, try not to concentrate *too* hard on raising money for their class trip. The seniors sold candles this year in addition to Panther sportswear and Pizza Hut cards. Photo by Penny Carmon



Sidelined. Viewing the game from a different perspective junior Nathan Jarrett and senior Dustin Sheppard, right, spend the rest of their football season on the bench due to injuries. Jarrett's broken leg and Sheppard's back injury were both sustained in the game against Rogersville. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove



Reason For Headache

Students troubled by vehicles, clubs, and funds

by Allison Curry

With the extra-large incoming freshman class this year, it has been somewhat difficult to find a place for everyone at Mountain Grove High School.

The freshmen class out numbers the senior class almost two to one. Since the high school didn't grow over the summer, it's been a little crowded in areas that most students have to use at least once every day. People fight over chairs in the cafeteria during lunch, and some students have to eat their food standing up.

The parking lot is also quickly running out of space. More underclassmen

than usual are driving to school, so many people find themselves being blocked in or having to park in the ditch.

Besides the new problems, students also find stress in more traditional things, such as homework, sports, club duties, money, family, and friends.

To raise money for their trip to Panama City this year, the senior class held a formal dance on Dec. 12. The day caused a lot of stress for many. The ACT test was held that morning, the Miss Merry Christmas ceremony was held that night, followed by the Christmas

parade, and then the dance. But, when the day was over, most were able to say that they had fun.

There were many other days and weeks when it seemed that everything was going on at once, especially Homecoming and the week before Christmas.

During Homecoming week students struggled to prepare for numerous activities such as the parade, coronation, game, pep rally, and dance.

Students at MGHS have faced these dilemmas since the school was established, but they have learned to deal with them.

GRIPES

Anticipation. Contemplating his duties in the upcoming coronation ceremony, senior Jeff Moore, left, escorts the Homecoming Queen-to-be, senior Jaime Ramsey. Royalty nights are not only stressful for those nominated, but also for their escorts.

Photo by Sarah Laird

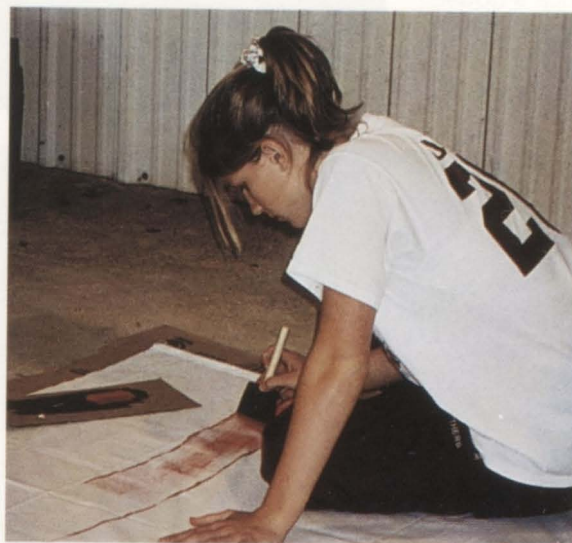
Artistic Flair. Samantha Dennis, below, adds her touch to the junior class sheet. Spirit Club sponsored a sheet decorating contest as part of Homecoming Week festivities. The junior class came in second to art club in the competition. Photo by Jessica Peterson

"People need to learn how to park. I always get blocked in. The parking lot is too crowded."

-senior Mandy Jo Benthall

"I think the ban on chains is a violation of our freedom to express ourselves."

-sophomore Kris Roderick



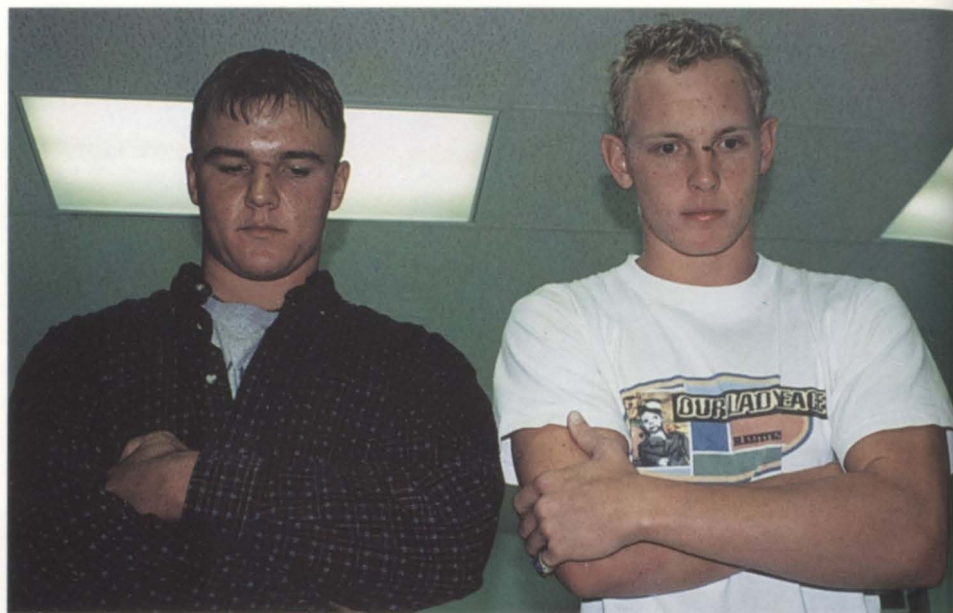
Countdown. Trying to beat the tardy bell, sophomore Nathan LaRue, left, makes a quick stop at his locker. With only five minutes between classes, students sometimes find it difficult to get everything done on time.

Photo by Tara Shaw

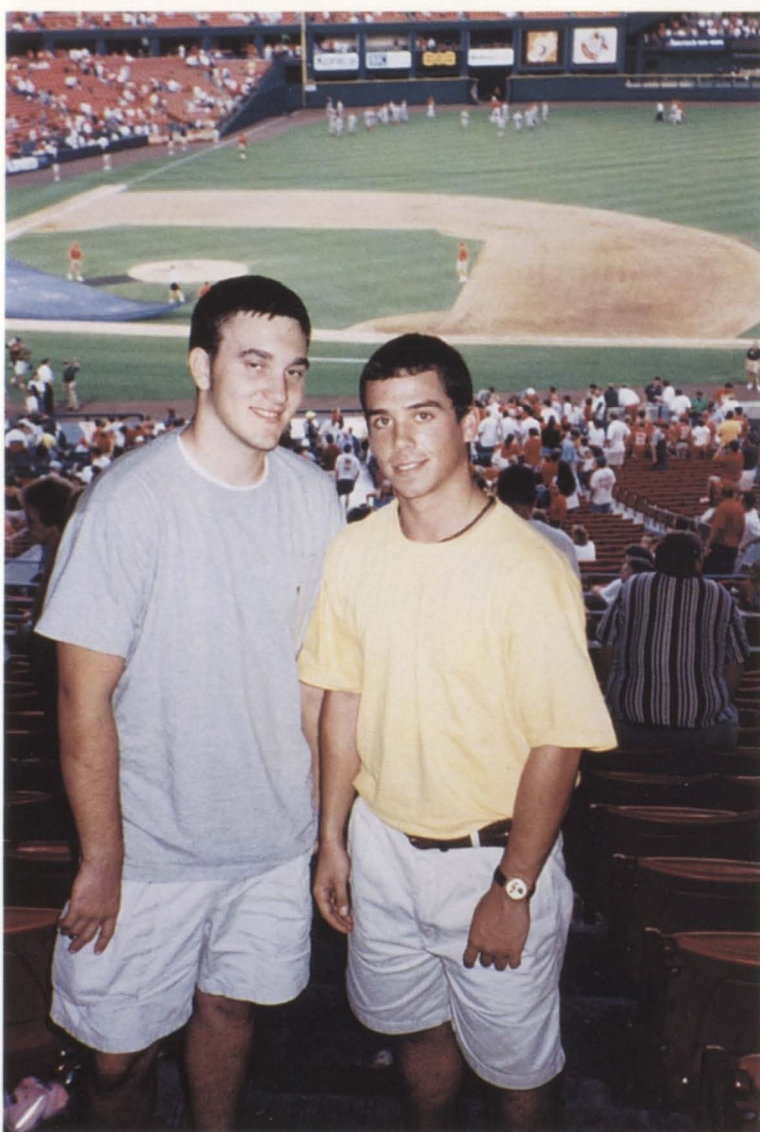
Crowded. Trucks line the ditches in one of the four student parking areas. Some discovered that in order to get a good parking place this year, they needed to come to school a little earlier than usual.

Photo by Allison Curry

Battle Scars. Showing off their wounded noses, right, they acquired during a football game, seniors Heath Housley and Jesse Denison also show the value of having someone to sympathize with. Photo by Brent Dugger



Spice World. To cure boredom, below right, seniors Carrie Stratton, Rachelle Douglass and Jessica Peterson pose after performing a spice girls routine complete with high ponytails at Jessica's house. Friends also proved to be the best people to share a crazy side with. Photo courtesy Cindy Peterson



Witnessing History. Following Mark McGwire's homeruns number 67 and 68, seniors Brent Dugger and Jerrod Stearnes, above, enjoy the view atop Busch Stadium in St. Louis. Photo by Bev Breedlove

Break Time. Not taking their jobs *too* seriously, juniors Lindsay Campbell, Jodi Chernowsky, and Sarah Laird, right, try to sell suckers for a fundraiser in the atrium before school. Photo by Rachelle Douglass



Friends provide valuable help and memories

Lean on me

by Kayla Shannon

When you think back on everything you have done so far in your life, what comes to mind? It is probably not the grades you got or the tests you took. The things that we remember most are the memories of our friends. You think of all the fun you have had together, the times you have laughed, and the times you have cried. Friends are one of the most important things

in our lives. They are the people we rely on and trust in.

Freshman Ashley Roth said, "My friends are important because they are always there, even through the bad times."

No matter what happens in life, no matter where we go, or who we become, we will always have the wonderful memories of our friends.

Dancing DJs. Dancing the night away, above left, seniors Constance Byerlein and Faith Cornelius take time from their duties as DJs at the Blizzard of '98. The dance was a successful fund-raiser for the senior class.

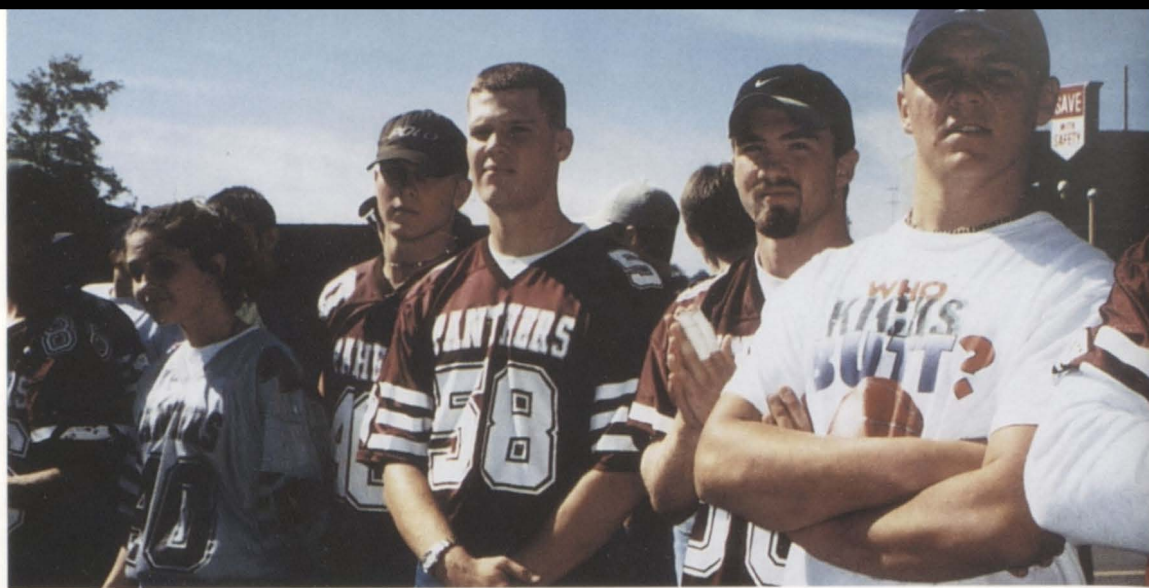
Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove

Shelter. Preparing for the See You At the Pole ceremonies, sophomore Alesha Walker and seniors A.J. Watson and Betsey Matthews, left, weather out the storm. See You At the Pole has become a yearly event at MGHS, not only for Shine members, but also for many other students.

Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove

Patience, please. Awaiting the arrival of the Missouri Community Betterment judges, sophomore Amanda Gould and freshmen Brian Azevedo, Travis Bradshaw, Laurel Killgore, Cheryl Noble, and Megan Hopkins, left, pass the time together. Mtn. Grove placed third in the annual MCB competition held in Columbia. *Photo courtesy Connie Killgore*

Panther fans and players, sophomore Megan Stallcup, junior Kevin Beck, senior Danny Bohnenkamp, junior Nathan Jarrett, and seniors Heath Housley right, line the square to get a better view of the Homecoming Parade. *Photo by Tara Shaw*



Senior Matt Hurst, right, looks out from his decorative wardrobe for Camouflage Day. *Photo by Jesse Denison*



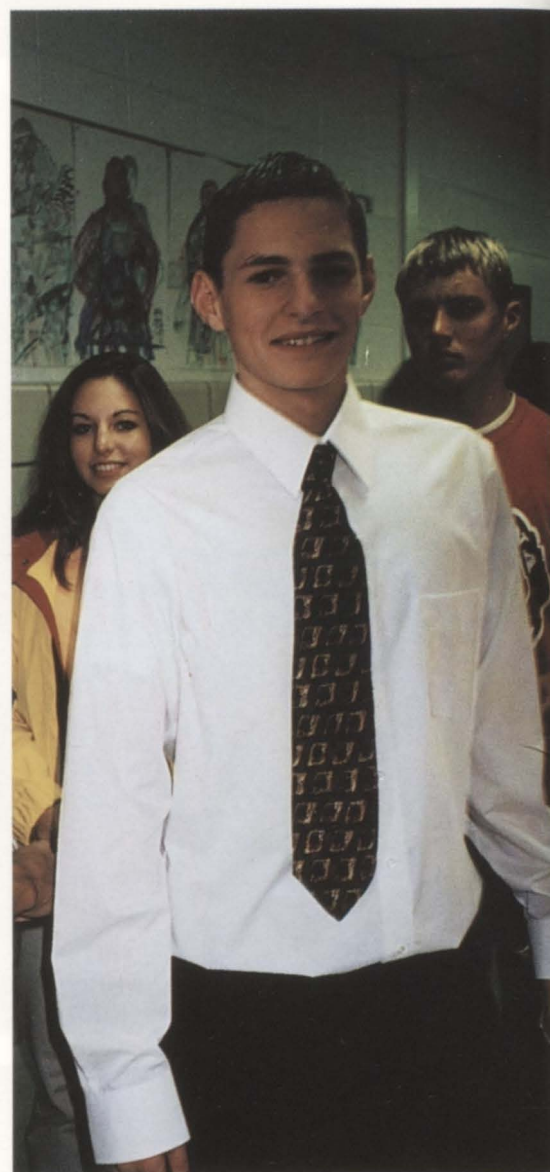
Spirited Students

Spirit has never been something lacking in the halls and students of MGHS, and this year was no exception.

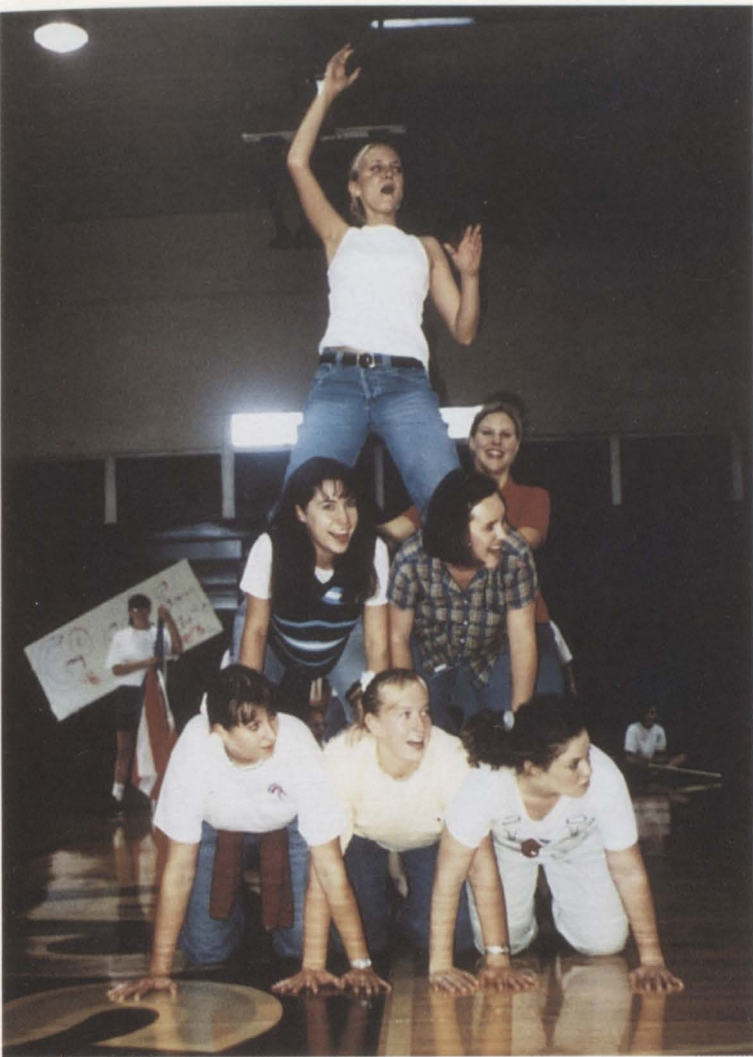
The traditional Spirit Club sponsored pep assemblies took on a new look this year with planned games and activities such as The Dating Game, candy-filled Spirit Sticks for the crowd, and a candy apple/onion-

by Allison Curry

eating contest. Other activities included during Spirit Week were a sheet decorating contest and athlete locker decorating. Spirit Week hosted a Paw Day, where students were each given a Panther Paw to give to their favorite athlete. The most popular day proved to be hat day, with almost 100% participation.



Dressed up for Spirit Week's Decked Out Day, junior Darrell Bolin, above, displays his Panther Pride. The junior class finished well in the final tallies for Spirit Week. *Photo by Jerrod Stearnes*



Senior girls, Penny Carmon, Angela Dunham, Heidi Sonnenschein, Carrie Stratton, Betsey Mathews, Jessica Peterson, and Tara Shaw, left, finish their pyramid to take first place in the pep assembly pyramid contest. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*

Adding even more camouflage to his ROTC uniform, junior Jared Templeton, below, poses as a bushman as part of Spirit Week festivities. The events were held the week of Homecoming. *Photo by Jesse Denison*



Getting into his role as a contestant in "The Dating Game," senior Jacob Scott, left, waits patiently for the questions to be asked. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*

Taking advantage of Hat Day, sophomore Nick Ramsey, left, shares his unique Steak 'n Shake selection. MGHS enjoyed two hat days this year, one for Spirit Week, and one as part of a fundraiser for Hurricane Mitch relief. *Photo by Jerrod Stearnes*

DANCES REMAIN POPULAR by Mindy Lee

Dances have always provided entertainment for students at MGHS, but this year, dances have taken on a whole new look. Students were lucky enough to have four dances this year. In addition to the traditional Homecoming Dance and Prom, dance-goers enjoyed

two other fundraising events which featured performances by Cypriss 'n Villian and The Dining Room Monkeys. Both groups were made up of MGHS students.

Students got an extra chance to get all dolled up for the senior fundraiser, The Blizzard of 1998. This was a

formal dance held after the Christmas parade as a way to give underclassmen, unable to attend Prom, an opportunity to get dressed up.

Drama Club offered a taste of Mardi Gras with their Mardi Gras Costume Party, complete with contests, giveaways, and live music.

Cypriss 'n Villian (A.K.A. seniors Steven Gates and Jesse Denison) entertain the crowd at the Blizzard of 1998 Dance. Senior Nick Skyles also performed with the group. The

highlight of evening was the performance of a song that was written by Denison and Gates. The pair also wrote and recorded the theme song for PTV this year.

PHOTO COURTESY BEV BREEDLOVE

Enjoying a rare relaxful moment in the hallway, senior Jessica Peterson, below, takes a few minutes off from working on dance decorations.

PHOTO BY PENNY CARMON



Showing that not everyone spends their time leaning against the wall at the dances, sophomore Jaime Peterson and senior Jared Doty, right, prove their dancing ability.

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What's Your Favorite Dance Memory?

"My favorite memory of the Homecoming Dance was watching Megan Hopkins rolling around in the floor and making a fool of herself."

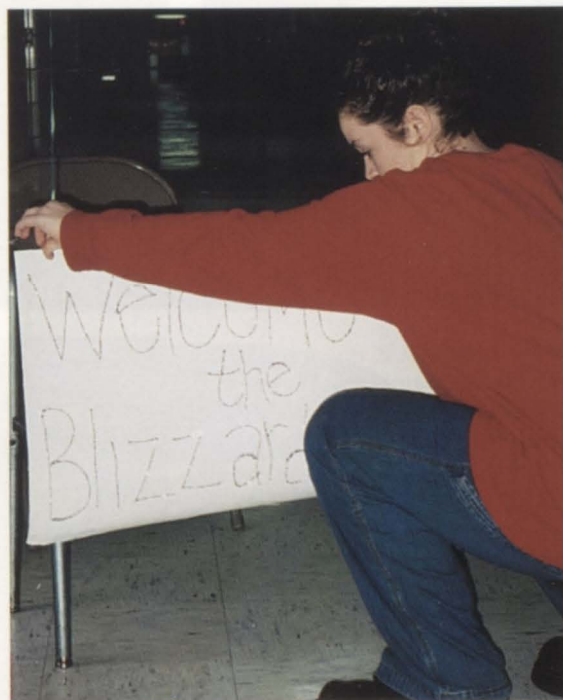
-junior Mike Delcour

"The best thing about the Homecoming Dance was watching Andrea Rhodes and Shane Fair dancing and talking...hint hint."

-junior Josh Meritt

"By the time Jaime [Ramsey] and I got to the Mardi Gras Dance, everyone there had already taken off their costumes, so we felt stupid being the only ones wearing costumes."

-senior Tara Shaw



Junior Lane Baldwin and senior Heath Rodgers, above left, enjoy each other's company at FFA's annual Barnwarming Dance. PHOTO BY RACHELLE DOUGLASS

Hanging the sign she made, senior Heidi Sonnenschein, above, completes one more step towards finishing the decorations for the senior class fundraiser. PHOTO BY TARA SHAW

Passing the time at The Blizzard of 1998 dance, junior Kayla Shannon, seniors Jessica Peterson, Dustin Sheppard, and Carrie Stratton, and junior Richard McGowan, left, would rather be talking than dancing. PHOTO COURTESY BEV BREEDLOVE





Preparing for his rodeo speech, sophomore Anthony Massey, above, makes a few last minute adjustments to his bull riding ensemble. Photo by Penny Carmon

Comfort is the priority for juniors Michael Pope and Nathan Ellis and sophomores Ryan Duey and Vanilyn Tapp, above right, as they await the lunch bell. Photo by Allison Curry

What fashion would you like to never see again?

"Painted-on Wranglers."

--senior Cathy Smith

"Guys with \$70 pairs of shorts and shaved legs."

--senior Jeff Moore

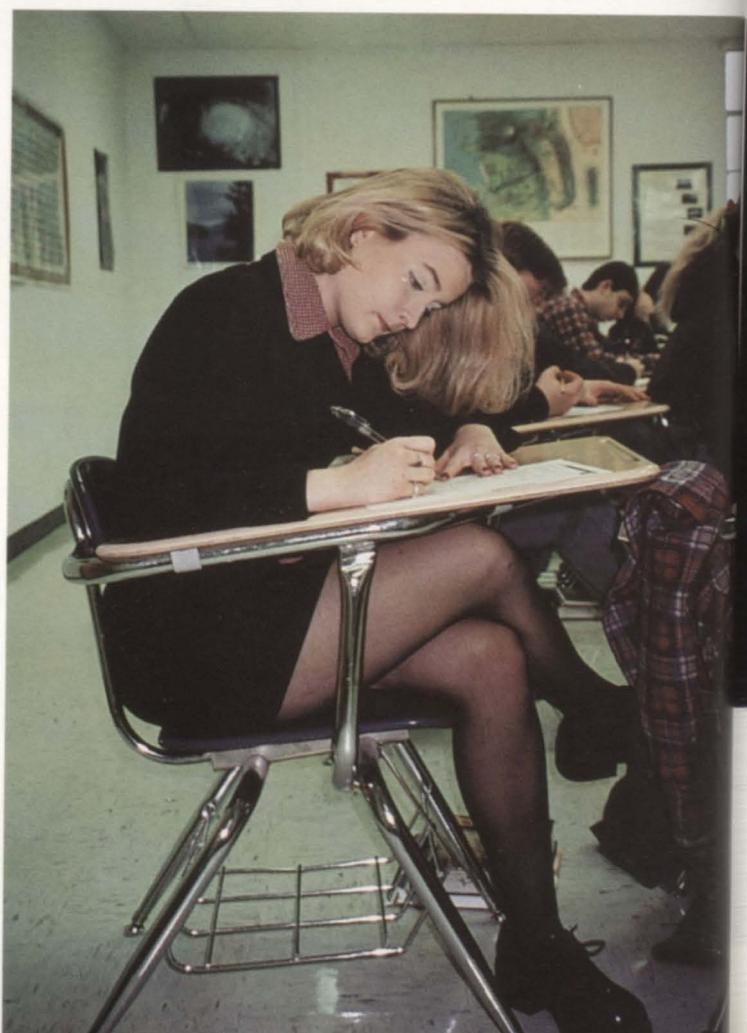
"I wouldn't mind never seeing bell bottoms again."

--junior Shawnee Strunk

"If I see another Tommy Hilfiger shirt, I'll vomit."

--junior Nathan Ellis

Going against the sloppy, comfortable trend, sophomore Leanna Gaston, right, is dressed to impress. Photo by Brent Dugger



Fun Fashions Dominate '99

by Angela Dunham

As the twentieth century comes to a close, many new fashions have arrived. Capri pants, a somewhat shorter, tighter jean, have definitely caught students at MGHS's eyes. Tanks and baggy cargo pants have also moved in to become a most popular fad. Old Navy and American Eagle, both new additions to the Battlefield Mall in Springfield, have become popular

stores among teens. There, along with the latest fashions, you can find colorful clips, diverse sunglasses, and Hawaiian shirts that many guys have come to like.

In general, the MGHS student body has adapted to the "in" things of our society. The baggy, sloppy, more comfortable style was definitely the way to go for the 98-99 school year.

What was your favorite fashion of the year?

"Wife beaters (white sleeveless undershirts)!"

-senior A.J. Watson

"All black."

--junior Aaron Cooley

"Anything sexy."

-sophomore Heather Piland

"The slob look. That was fun."

-sophomore Amber McCollum

An illustration of late 90's fashion, senior Ann Kaps, above left, shows off her cargo pants, tank top, and temporary tattoo. Photo by Allison Curry

Showing that beauty isn't all work and no play, juniors Lane Baldwin, Lyndse Robertson, Jodi Chernowsky, Stacey Allen, Brittnee Freeman, Amy Brummet, Jamie Raney, Ashley Emery, Cindy Curran, and Sarah Laird, left, wait to remove their facials. Photo courtesy Jan Baldwin

Endings mark entertainment year

by Allison Curry

With most of the country being consumed by "Titanic mania" in 1998, the offerings of the entertainment world had a tough act to follow in 1999. But, with major events and news in everything from music to sports, 1999 managed to live up to its expectations.

Controversy dominated Hollywood, especially in its annual presentation of the Academy Awards. The most notable upset came in the Best Picture category when *Shakespeare in Love* beat out critical favorite *Saving Private Ryan*.

Boy bands such as 'N Sync and Backstreet Boys controlled most of the

airwaves, and several members of boy bands past made successful solo ventures, with Ricky Martin from Menudo and Joey McIntyre and Jordan Knight from New Kids on the Block all releasing albums.

1999 marked the end of an era for several well-loved television sitcoms including *Home Improvement* and *Mad About You*.

Several notable endings also dominated the sports world, with the retirement of Michael Jordan, Wayne Gretzky, and John Elway, three true greats of their game. Gaining popularity was pro wrestling, a mix of drama and athleticism.



Will you be waiting in line to see *Star Wars* Episode One: The Phantom Menace?

YES	33%
NO	67%

100 STUDENTS POLLED

Did you follow the McGwire/Sosa homerun race?

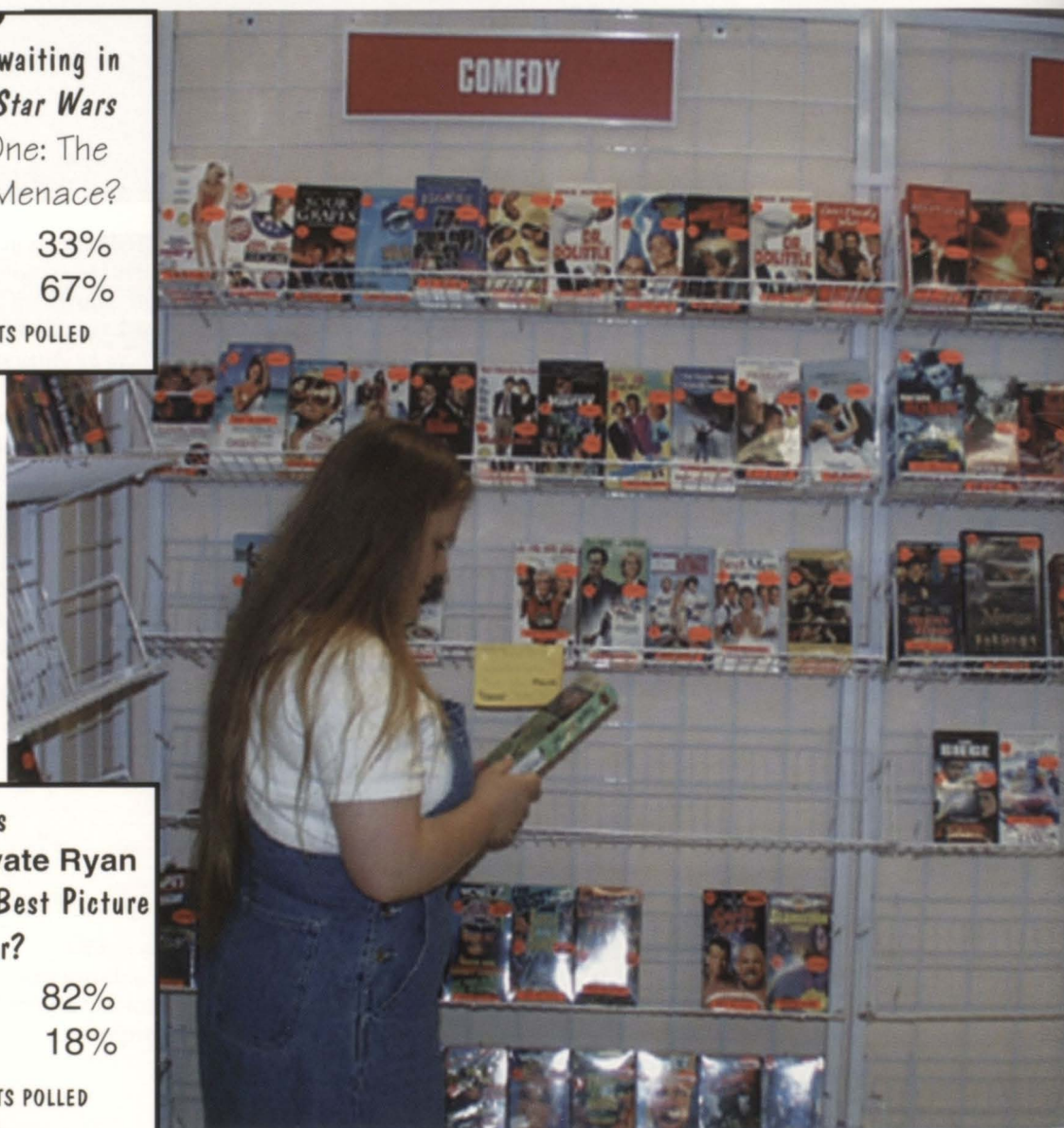
YES	64%
NO	36%

100 STUDENTS POLLED

Was *Saving Private Ryan* robbed of the Best Picture Oscar?

YES	82%
NO	18%

100 STUDENTS POLLED



ning up her shot, senior
ngela Dunham, left, takes
vantage of the pool table at
ountain Grove Bowl as
niors enjoyed not having to
st. Photo by Tara Shaw

In the heat of competition,
seniors Amy Moore and Jeremy
Flores, below, discover the
advantages of a big screen
version of Super Mario Brothers.
Photo by Allison Curry



What band would you be most excited to see at Woodstock '99?

"Aerosmith!"

--sophomore Kayla Peterson

"Bel Biv DeVoe."

--senior Nick Skyles

"Diamond Rio!"

--sophomore Stephanie Stigall

"Pearl Jam!"

--senior Jesse Dehison

"Green Day!"

--senior Tara Shaw

"SuperTones."

--senior Iosif Doroscan

"Burt Bacharach!"

--sophomore Ryan Ducey



Finding the video rental
selection process difficult,
senior Tanna Krider, left,
weighs her options. Renting
movies has been a favorite
pastime at MGHS for many
years. Photo by Allison Curry

Awaiting their turn at the lanes,
seniors Brent Outersky, Jerrod
Stearnes, Heath Housley, and
Jared Byerly, above, make the
most of "Glow Bowling", a
featured added at Mtn Grove
Bowl this year. Photo by Angela
Dunham

Washing
dishes at a
early morning
Kiwanis
pancake
breakfast
freshman
Renee Hutsell
works as her t-
shirt displays
her status as a
devoted
member of Key
Club. Photo by
Kayla Shannon



Organizations

"Being actively involved in so many organizations at MGHS has made me a more responsible, confident and sensitive person. I have learned a great deal from all of my sponsors and fellow club members about what it takes to be an effective leader and to succeed in whatever I do."

-Jessica Peterson, senior

"In Spirit Club I try to boost everyone's spirits and try to get them to support the school and the cheerleaders more"

-Holly Fry, freshman

"In Hi-Step, going over and talking to the kids is a great experience."

-Amanda Gould, sophomore

"Service clubs are a great thing for students and the community. In Key Club we do lots of things to help other people out and there is food at every meeting."

-Kayla Shannon, junior

"I think that decorating for Prom has had the greatest effect on me because it showed that we can all come together to make something good."

-Brittne Freeman, junior



1998-99 Executive Student Council

Lane Baldwin, Assistant Public Relations; Rachelle Douglass, Treasurer; Jessica Peterson, President; Jerrod Stearnes, Vice President; Angela Dunham, Secretary; Patty Thornhill, Public Relations

Organizations at MGHS continue to offer students lessons outside of the classroom.

*Jessica Peterson,
Student Council Executive
President*

"Student Council members are put into place to serve the student body and the school. We act as the student voice and I can't think of anything that I would be more proud to be a part of."

Student Council *Providing student activities*

S by Angela Dunham
tudent Council is one of the busiest, most respected clubs of Mountain Grove High School. They are what you call the "government" of the student body.

StuCo takes on many different activities and events. This year they helped with two different blood drives, worked many

hours in the concession stand at all the home volleyball and basketball games, sponsored all the royalty ceremonies such as Homecoming, Net King, and Hoop Queen, and had a dance for the high school students after the Homecoming game.

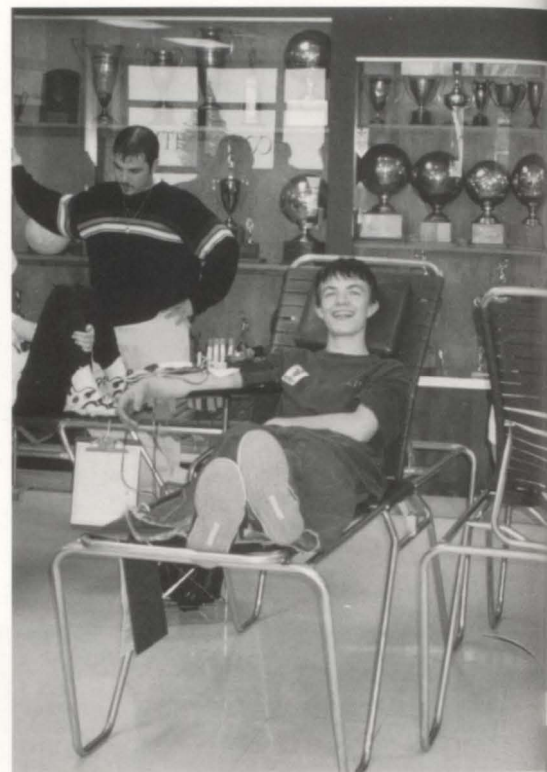
Student Council also serves as the student voice, addressing the concerns of the students before the

administration and school board. This year, council members were invited to attend school board meetings and be included in addressing the concerns that the district faces from the student perspective.

Without Student Council many of the traditions and activities that have become a large part of life at MGHS would not be possible.

Preparing the popcorn before the big game, junior Jamie Raney, right, adds all the ingredients. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*

Smiling through the pain, senior Travis Barnes, far right, donates his time and blood to the community blood drive. *Photo by Jamie Raney*



After saving three lives by donating blood, junior Stacey Allen, above, enjoys relaxing at the StuCo canteen. *Photo by Jamie Raney*

Student Council

Row 1: Solomon Cornelius, sponsor; Jessica Peterson, president; Jerrod Stearnes, vice president; Angela Dunham, secretary; Rachelle Douglass, treasurer; Patti Thornhill, public relations; Lane Baldwin, assistant public relations.
Row 2: senior class officers Jaime Ramsey, Tara Shaw, Sherrie Hurley, Ann Kaps, Penny Carmon, Danny Bohnenkamp
Row 3: junior class officers Samantha Dennis, Michelle Broos, Jodi Chernowsky, Amy Brummet, Jamie Raney, Nathan Fry
Row 4: sophomore class officers Tana Blanton, Dustin Cain, Onna Bushong, Tiffany Whitworth, Jaime Rogers, Josh Mackey
Row 5: freshman class officers Jenna Skyles, Lisa Thompson, Stephanie Tinsley, Channa McDonald, Smantha Zid, Daniel Parsons.





Raking leaves for an elderly couple, left, senior Betsy Mathews attempts to gather the multitude of leaves fall has left. This is an annual project performed by National Honor Society and gives members a chance to give back to people in the community. Photo by Jessica Peterson

Lighting the candle of scholarship from the candle of knowledge, NHS President Tara Shaw and Vice President Jessica Peterson along with seniors officers Rachelle Douglass, Jaime Ramsey and Danny Bohnenkamp (not shown) explain the characteristics of a NHS member at the annual induction ceremony. Photo by Angela Dunham



National Honor Society

Row 1: Tara Shaw, president; Jessica Peterson, vice president; Jaime Ramsey, secretary; Rachelle Douglass, treasurer; Danny Bohnenkamp, historian. Row 2: Allison Curry, Lindsay Campbell, Jon Marquis, Patti Thornhill, Sherrie Hurley, Ann Kaps, Larissa Buchholz, Barry Gilley, Betsey Matthews Row 3: Karalin Hall, Faith Cornelius, Kristie Weatherly, Mandie Estes, Michelle Broos, Carrie Stratton, Jamie Raney, Angela Dunham Row 4: Kayla Shannon, Nick Skyles, Michelle Zid, Tracy Todd, Keri Burd, Jennifer Coffman, Heather Todd, Amber Bridges Row 5: Josh Colson, Dusty Lee, Leslie Shephard, Jodi Chernowsky, Stacey Allen



*Tara Shaw,
NHS President*

"I am very proud of all the activities NHS has been involved in this year. We have done a lot to help out the community."

National Honor Society *Sharing and caring*

by Angela Dunham

National Honor Society is not just an ordinary club. Students that are members of this club have to meet many requirements in order to be inducted into the organization.

First, they have to be at the end of their sophomore year and obtain at least a 3.6 GPA on their school

work. They then have to apply for membership. To be accepted students must demonstrate the qualities of leadership, service, and character.

After being initiated, students do many worthwhile activities that help the community such as trash pick-ups, raking leaves for

the elderly, benefit dinners, and fundraisers. This year NHS sold carnations the week of Homecoming and balloons the week of St. Patrick's Day.

All of these events help improve not only the student body and school system, but also the surrounding community.

*Allison Curry,
S.T.A.R.T. President*

"I was really happy with everyone's participation this year, but especially the underclassmen's. They worked really hard and were always willing to help out."

S.T.A.R.T. Helping the community

S by Jamie Raney
T.A.R.T. (Students Today Are Required Tomorrow) continued to help the community this year by participating in several service oriented projects.

They started off the year by greeting the Missouri Community Betterment judges when they came to judge Mountain Grove. In

October, they attended the Missouri Community Betterment Conference in Columbia to find out how the town and S.T.A.R.T. placed. In category six, S.T.A.R.T. placed third, while the town as a whole took 4th place.

S.T.A.R.T. also helped with Santa's Workshop and

the concession stand at the Hunting and Fishing Expo that were both held at the YMCA.

S.T.A.R.T. took present to the Autumn Oaks Nursing Home residents for Valentines Day. They also helped keep the community clean picking up trash throughout the year.

Serving donuts to the MCB judges, junior Stefanie Coble, far right, enjoys the nice weather. *Photo by Angela Dunham*

Junior Lindsay Campbell, right, presents a gift to a grateful Autumn Oaks resident. *Photo by Allison Curry*

Completing her speech, senior Allison Curry, below, accepts an MCB award on behalf of alumni Hillary Spiva. *Photo by Tara Shaw*



Students Today Are Required Tomorrow

Row 1: Bridget Williams, sponsor; Allison Curry, president; Jerrod Stearnes, vice president; Jaime Ramsey, secretary; Rachelle Douglass, treasurer; Lindsay Campbell, Historian. Row 2: Brian Azevedo, April Shaw, Ann Kaps, Misti Gourley, Lane Baldwin, Jamie Raney, Kayla Shannon, Catie Calus. Row 3: Travis Bradshaw, Brent Dugger, Jennifer Smith, Amy Pope, Stefanie Coble, Sarah Laird, Heather Todd. Row 4: Michelle Zid, Jessica Peterson, Karalin Hall, Faith Cornelius, Cheryl Noble, Jennifer Coffman. Row 5: Brent Haynam, Laurel Killgore, Megan Hopkins, Renee Hutsell, Lee Bohnenkamp.





Removing the brush around the Mtn. Grove sign, senior Carrie Stratton, left, takes her turn with the ax while seniors Jaime Ramsey and Rachelle Douglass watch. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*

Sorting through the carnations, sophomores Beth Shaw and Erin Housley, below, prepare to deliver the flowers for Teacher Appreciation Day. *Photo by Penny Carmon*



Key Club

Row 1: Stacy Matherly, sponsor; Carrie Stratton, president; Jessica Peterson, vice president; Lindsay Campbell, secretary; Angela Dunham, treasurer; Rachelle Douglass, public relations officer; Row 2: Stefanie Coble, Jaime Ramsey, Tyler Owens, Lisa Thompson, Penny Carmon, Kayla Shannon, Jamie Raney, Jodi Chernowsky, Samantha Dennis. Row 3: Jenna Skyles, Dustin Hawkins, Amanda Berry, Catie Calus, Jaime Peterson, Danetta Lathrom, Tana Blanton, Alesha Walker, Kayla Buchholz. Row 4: B.J. Proctor, Travis Shaw, Brent Haynam, Heather Linton, Tracy Todd, Lane Baldwin, Leah Gaddis, Onna Bushong, Jennifer Smith. Row 5: Misti Gourley, Cody Knaak, Tiffany Whitworth, Danielle Fry, Andrea Rhoads, Renee Hutsell, Holly Whanger, Rebecca Horton, Samantha Zid. Row 6: Jonny Bell, Heather Todd, Jaime Rogers, Brent Dugger, Jerrod Stearnes, Danny Bohnenkamp, Amber Bridges, Stacey Allen, Sarah Laird. Row 7: Larissa Buchholz, Channa McDonald, Michelle Zid, Kerry Burd, Jennifer Coffman, Amy Brummet, Stephanie Gonzales, Brittnee Freeman, Ashley Emery.



Carrie Stratton, Key Club President

"As President, I set a lot of goals for the club this year, and I am pleased with everything that we have accomplished so far."

Key Club Volunteering to make a difference

Every year Key Club offers its members volunteering opportunities that they normally would not have, and this year was no exception. To begin their year, Key Club members cleaned up the area surrounding the billboard welcoming visitors to

by Allison Curry

Mountain Grove and planted flower bulbs around town.

Throughout the year, club participants spent time with Autumn Oaks Nursing Home residents, helped teachers clean their rooms, and assisted the local Kiwanis organization with their annual fundraising

breakfasts.

Perhaps the most appreciated Key Club activity was the donation of several VCR's to the Mass Media classes. Without them, PTV would not have gone on the air, and the Mass Media students would have been forced to do book work all year long.

*Jamie Raney,
Hi-Step member*

"Hi-Step gives me a chance to work with the little kids and encourage them to be drug free."

Passing out candy, to her Hi-Step class, below, junior Amy Brummet prepares to teach her kids a lesson.

Teaching a lesson on communication, right, senior Allison Curry plays the telephone game with her class.

Warning kids about the dangers of smoking, far right, juniors Stacey Allen and Lindsay Campbell do a demonstration to show kids what happens to the inside of their lungs.

Photos by Kayla Shannon.

Hi-Step Reaching out to the elementary

by Kayla Shannon

Hi-Step (High School Taught Elementary Program) allows high school students to reach out to the elementary kids. Students from the high school in groups of two or three are assigned to an elementary class. Throughout the year the high school students

teach the class lessons on peer pressure, drugs, alcohol, feelings, and other issues. They also spend time getting to know the kids through games and other activities.

This year Hi-Step was reduced to only the elementary classes. Fifth grade classes are no longer a part of the Hi-Step program.

The club is designed to

give the younger students role models to look up to. The older students are there to help the elementary kids realize the pressures that they will face in years to come. The lessons will help prepare them to stand up to peer pressure.

Sophomore Grant Watson said, "I think Hi-Step is really fun, I like teaching the little kids."



Hi-Step

Row 1: Mindy Lee, Micki McCune, Ann Kaps, Sherrie Hurley, Jamie Raney, Carrie Stratton, Rachelle Douglass, Jessica Peterson, Tara Shaw, Angela Dunham, Penny Carmon. Row 2: Jaime Ramsey, Stefanie Coble, Lindsay Campbell, Tracy Todd, Callie Avery, Genny Gordon, Larissa Buchholz, Barry Gilley, Samantha Dennis, Cheree Mings, Jodi Chernowsky, Cindy Curran. Row 3: Michelle Zid, Jessica Bradshaw, Vicki LaCroix, Amanda Gould, Brandi Smith, Danetta Lathrom, Tana Blanton, Jaime Peterson, Amanda Cash, Leah Gaddis, Jaime Rogers, Stacey Allen. Row 4: Kayla Shannon, Brent Dugger, Jerrod Stearnes, Tiffany Whitworth, Trena Sheppard, John Marquis, Patti Thornhill, Michael Pope, Leslie Sheppard, Richard McGowan, Amy Brummet, Lane Baldwin. Row 5: Amanda Berry, Alesha Walker, Grant Watson, Jonny Bell, Lyndse Robertson, Bethany Roy, Dara Wade, Mandie Estes, Christina Flageolle, Andrea Rhoads, Dusty Lee. Row 6: Allison Curry, Anthony Mello, Sam Goin, Sarah Laird, Amber Bridges, Jennifer Coffman, Heather Todd, Michelle Broos, Kristie Weatherly, Lisa Leggins, Misti Gourley





Chowing down, sophomore Nick Ramsey and senior Danny Bohnenkamp, left, reap the rewards of being in OSA at the annual picnic.
Photo by Brent Dugger.



Living the life of luxury on Prom night, left, junior Stephanie Gonzales and senior Robert Singleton enjoy the limousine they won from the OSA contest.
Photo courtesy Darla Pierson.

OSA

Row 1: Shannon Nelson, sponsor; Jessica Peterson, president; Kayla Shannon, vice president; Rachelle Douglass, Lane Baldwin, Tara Shaw, Angela Dunham, Jaime Ramsey. Row 2: Channa McDonald, Lisa Thompson, Catie Calus, Penny Carmon, Jennifer Smith, Danny Bohnenkamp, Betsey Matthews, Lee Bohnenkamp, Misti Gourley. Row 3: Emily Davis, Megan Gaddis, Matt Douglass, Jenna Skyles, Tana Blanton, Danetta Lathrom, Amanda Berry, Beth Shaw, Heidi Sonnenschein, Jodi Chernowsky, Keri Burd, Heather Linton, Tracy Todd. Row 4: Shawna Thompson, Rebecca Horton, Tyler Owens, Heath Housley, Jared Doty, Jaime Peterson, Monica Kaultman, Rick Aspegren, Ryan Duey, Evan Tyrrell, Sarah Laird, Brent Dugger. Row 5: Allison Curry, Ann Kaps, Mindy Lee, Darlena Scott, Erin Seeman, Kim Kildow, Jaime Rogers, Leah Gaddis, John Sanford, Lindsay Campbell, Stefanie Coble, Jesse Denison. Row 6: B.J. Proctor, Travis Shaw, Nathan Yarger, Matt Gaddis, Adam Housley, Curtis Virtue, Toby Thompson, Tyler Watson, Jacob Peterson, Ryan Nelson, Jerrod Stearnes. Row 7: Chad Robertson, Dustin Irwin, Brett Parker, Dustin Hawkins, Chet Douglass, Jeremy Emery, Jeremy Looper, Kane Roth, Nathan Shannon, Nick Skyles, Matt Morris, Dustin Cain. Row 8: Brent Haynam, Onna Bushong, Jason Glenn, Stephanie Gonzales, Randy Sparks, Chase Rogers.



*Jessica Peterson,
OSA President*

"Addressing issues such as drinking and driving is very important to the well being of the student body and I'm glad to be part of an organization that does so."

Operation Stay Alive Promoting healthy lifestyles

OSA (Operation Stay Alive) is a drug free club for all high school students.

This year OSA sponsored their annual spring picnic. The weather did not cooperate with the original date and it had to be rescheduled. Students ate Subway sandwiches, chips, and cookies during their lunch hour, on the front lawn of the school, on April 21st.

Next, year OSA will be changed to SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions). Darla Pierson will be the club sponsor for the club. OSA, along with the organizers of SADD, co-sponsored a chance to win a limousine for prom. Students gave a dollar for a chance to win. The lucky winner was junior Stephanie Gonzales.

Lane Baldwin said, "We worked hard this year to

promote healthy lifestyles for teens. Next year, we must all work together if we want to change attitudes about important issues that we as teens face each day."

"Hopefully the new club will once again spur interest among students at MGHS and more will be willing to get involved," commented one of next year's presidents, junior Kayla Shannon.



by Sarah Laird
and Ashley Emery

Spirit Club Giving more support

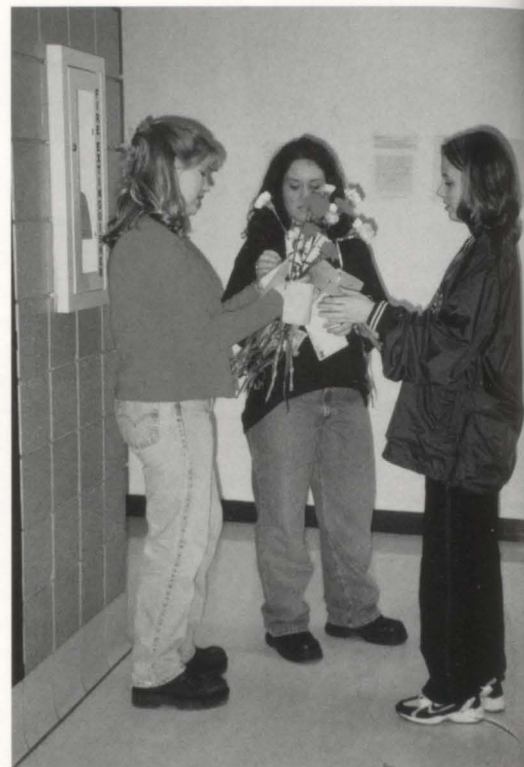
*Angela Dunham,
Spirit Club
President*

"This year we got a lot more people to join Spirit Club, our teams also had a lot more support."

Senior Penny Carmon decorates cupcakes, right, for Team Appreciation. Photo by Angela Dunham

Spirit Club members senior Heidi Sonnenschein, sophomores Amanda Cash, and Amanda Berry, far right, pass out carnations for Valentines Day. Photo by Angela Dunham

Sophomore Josh Mackey, and seniors Jerrod Stearnes and Angela Duhnam, below, show their spirit during the McDonald Panther Classic Tournament. Photo by Heidi Sonnenschein



Spirit Club

Row 1: Angela Duhnam, president; Penny Carmon, vice president; Tara Shaw, secretary; Rachele Douglass, treasurer; Ann Kaps, public relations; Lane Baldwin, pep assembly chairman; Sarah Laird, special events chairman; Misti Gourley, team motivation; Mike Delcour, community relations chairman; Michelle Lindsey, sponsor. Row 2: Michelle Zid, Kerry Burd, Tracy Todd, Heather Linton, Stacey Allen, Kayla Shannon, Betsey Matthews, Brittnee Freeman, Cindy Curran, Danielle Fry, Courtney Rhoads. Row 3: Stephanie Rich, Jaime Ramsey, Leslie Sheppard, Jodi Chernowsky, Amy Brummet, Rachel Homer, Clarice Kluey, Danny Bohnenkamp, Ralph Bashor. Row 4: Jared Doty, Heidi Sonnenschein, Jessica Peterson, Carrie Stratton, Jamie Raney, Charity Gault, Kristie Hensley, Andrea Rhodes, Chris Mayberry, Nathan Jarrett. Row 5: Trena Sheppard, Randy Sparks, Chase Rogers, Darrell Bolin, J.D. House, Michael Pope, Ray Sutton, Lindsay Campbell, Stefanie Coble. Row 6: Dustin Sheppard, Heath Rodgers, Jerrod Stearnes, Heath Housley, Brent Dugger, Lisa Leggins, Jennifer Thompson, Shannon Nettleton, Jennah Davidson, Crystal Thompson. Row 7: Ryan Turner, Nathan Fry, Jeremy Looper, Ashley Emery, Jeremy Emery, Nicki Lee, Tanya Sapp.



Juniors Jamie Raney and Kayla Shannon, freshman Jayme Collins and senior Tara Shaw, left, accept their bracelets at "See You at the Pole." Photo by Jaime Ramsey

Freshman Sefora Doroscan, below, addresses the students at "See You at the Pole." Photo by Jaime Ramsey



SHINE

Row 1: Genny Gordon, Barry Gilley, Jamie Raney, Carrie Stratton, Jaime Ramsey, Stefanie Coble. Row 2: Kayla Shannon, Heather Todd, Misti Gourley, Heather Nicks, Stephanie Tinsley, Amy Pope. Row 3: Callie Avery, Amanda Gould, Nicole Morris, Brandie Smith, Michelle Broos. Row 4: Vicki Lacroix, Jessica Bradshaw, Nathan Friend, Nathan Ellis.



*Barry Gilley,
SHINE President*

"SHINE is an organization in which students are allowed to express their spiritual beliefs and gain support and guidance from other students who share their beliefs."

by Ashley Emery and Sarah Laird

SHINE *Using intelligence for a good cause*

SHINE is an organization that offers students an opportunity to get together and share their beliefs.

"I believe that SHINE gives Christian teenagers a chance to fellowship and serves as a support group where students can get help and encouragement from their peers," commented SHINE sponsor Nancy Doty.

Shine members helped organize and conduct the "See You at the Pole" ceremony, a nation-wide gathering of students who meet to pray about their school, community, and country. Students led scripture reading, and singing was also a part of the ceremony.

"I like being in SHINE because it gives me a chance

to share my beliefs and learn from the experiences of others," said junior Jamie Raney.

SHINE students meet every Wednesday on the stage during their lunch break.

"I believe SHINE makes it easier for students to stand up for what they know is right," said senior member Jaime Ramsey.

*Ann Kaps,
Math and Science
President*

"Math and Science Club is a fun organization that does a lot of activities throughout the year."

Math and Science Club president Ann Kaps, right, sells Match Maker results during lunch. Photo by Mindy Lee

Helping with concessions, far right, Simon Doroscan serves drinks during the math contest. Photo by Ann Kaps

Preparing for the egg drop contest, below, junior Jonny Bell hands out the eggs. Photo by Mindy Lee

Math and Science Club

Using intelligence for a good cause

by Mindy Lee

The Math and Science Club is for students interested in math and science. The club works to prove that math and science can be fun as well as educational.

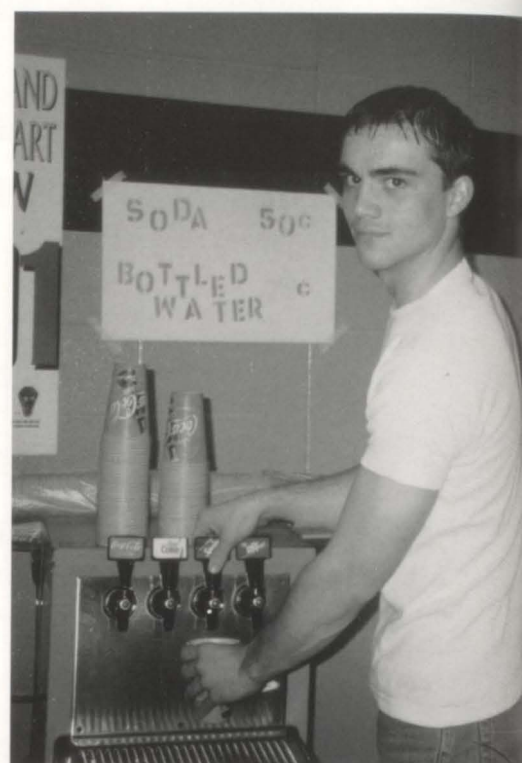
The club sponsors two major events each year. These events help provide a scholarship for a senior club

member who plans to major in a math or science field in college and funds an end of the year trip.

The first fund raiser the club sponsored was the computer fun match maker compatibility test. Students filled out a questionnaire and were matched according to their answers.

The second was a math contest for middle school students on February 20.

The members of the Math and Science Club planned the event, wrote the test, even ran the contest. This year seven schools with more than 200 students participated in various events.



Math and Science Club

Row 1: Bonnie Peterson, sponsor; Ann Kaps, president; Heather Todd, vice president; Amanda Gould, secretary; Brandi Smith, treasurer; Barry Gilley, reporter; Janet Townsend, sponsor. Row 2: Patti Thornhill, Michelle Zid, Jennifer McClure, Micki McCune, Sherrie Hurley, Misti Gourley, Larissa Buchholz. Row 3: Nathaniel Barbe, Sven Meyer, Kayla Buchholz, Jesscia Bradshaw, Vickie LaCroix, Lee Bohnenkamp. Row 4: Josh Jones, Amber Bridges, Jennifer Coffman, Samantha Zid, Stephanie Tinsley, Amy Pope, Kristie Weatherly, Jennifer Branum. Row 5: Brad Randall, Josh Turner, Jonny Bell, Sam Goin, Josh Colson, Mandie Estes, Dara Wade, Michelle Broos.





American History teacher Bridget Williams, left, accepts the Teacher of the Month plaque from junior Jamie Raney. Photo by Mindy Lee

Senior Penny Carmon, below, enjoys cadet teaching in physical education classes at the middle school. Photo by Brent Dugger



Future Teachers of America

Row 1: Samantha Dennis, president; Mindy Lee, vice president; Kristie Weatherly, secretary; Jason Glenn, treasurer. Row 2: Crystal Smith, Ann Kaps, Jaime Ramsey, Penny Carmon, Cheree Mings, Tara Shaw, Angela Dunham, Carrie Stratton, Jamie Raney, J.D. House. Row 3: Jeremy Edwards, Adelle Barbe, Onna Bushong, Leah Gaddis, Alesha Walker, Jaime Rogers, Michael Pope, Lyndse Robertson, Anthony Crisp, Nikki Lee. Row 4: Dusty Lee, Edward House, Jeremy Turner, Shawna Kennedy, Misty Nungesser, Amanda Hicks, Staci Krider, Kim Kildow, Misti Gourley. Row 5: Benjie Poe, Michael Holycross, Jared Templeton, Heather Nicks, Brynn Benthall, Ryan Nelson, Brooke Bressie, Jenny Kramer, Angela Splain. Row 6: Courtney Rhodes, Danielle Fry, Jessica Bradshaw, Nicole Morris, Tiffany Whitworth, Jerrod Stearnes, Tanya Sapp, Amy Brown, Les Top, sponsor.



*Samantha Dennis,
FTA President*

"Being in FTA is a great experience because it helps build responsibility, and insight about future careers."

by Jamie Raney

Is teaching the job for me? If you are asking yourself this question, you should join Future Teachers of America.

FTA is a club for students interested in teaching or for those students that like to

work with children. FTA helps students to develop the patience and responsibility necessary for any job.

Members of the club spend one day a month cadet teaching in the elementary and middle schools.

Members also pick an outstanding teacher each

month and award them with the Teacher of the Month plaque.

In addition, FTA provides a scholarship each year to a senior member entering an educational field in college.

Another activity members look forward to is the end of the year pizza party.

Future Teachers of America *Making the world a better place*

*Faith Cornelius,
Vice President
"Art Club is a
creative and
educational club
that allows us to
spend time doing
what we enjoy."*

Using her talent for a good cause senior Cathy Smith, far right, helps paint faces during the all school art show held at the elementary school.

Photo by Allison Curry

Thrilled about getting a new kiln junior Nathan Ellis and sophomore Ryan Duey, right, place their pottery in to bake. *Photo by Allison Curry*

Freshman Megan Hopkins and senior Cathy Smith, below enjoy watching how to glaze their pottery during Raku Day. *Photo by Penny Carmon*



Art Club *Making the world a colorful place*

by Mindy Lee

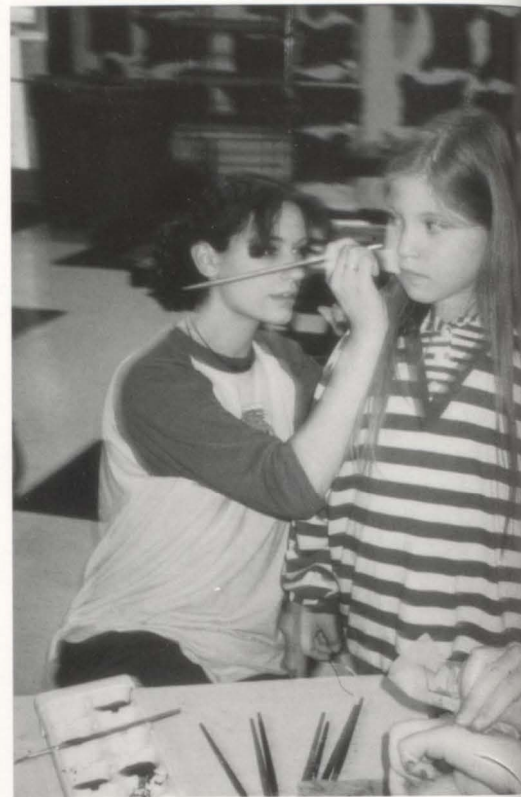
This year the Art Club along with the help of the other art classes decided to raise the money to purchase a new kiln to use with their pottery.

The Art Club held fund raisers to purchase the kiln and to pay for other major activities for the year.

Club members painted faces at home football games which helped them raise money and also helped build school spirit. They also sold pumpkin grams at Halloween. A pumpkin gram is a mini pumpkin decorated by club members. They were sold to students and deliv-

ered for Halloween.

The Art Club sponsored Raku Day for all its members and for advanced art students, giving them a chance to fire and glaze some of their handmade pottery, sketch various places around school, and enjoy a barbecue lunch.



Art Club

Row 1: Brad Willingham, sponsor; Nathan Ellis, president; Matt Morris, Faith Cornelius, vice president; and John Bryant, secretary. Row 2: Karalin Hall, Constance Byerlin, Cathy Smith, Allison Curry, Serena Allen Row 3: Kris Roderick, Heather Piland, Megan Hopkins, Barry Martin, Stephen Crewse, Junior Wilson, Jeff Moore and Christy Archer. Row 4: Brent Haynam, Anna Kelley, John Liles, Greg Cantrell and Nathan Friend.





Enjoying the decorative lights Foreign Cultures members senior Jennifer Branum , junior Genny Gordon, and senior Barry Gilley, left, take a break before going to listen to the Vienna Boys Choir at Silver Dollar City. Photo by Donna Moore

Enjoying her present senior Ann Kaps and sophomore Brandi Smith, below ,are enjoying the annual Foreign Cultures Christmas party. Photo by Donna Moore



Foreign Cultures Club

Row1: Micki McCune, president; Kayla Buchholz, vice president; Sherrie Hurley, secretary; Barry Gilley, gopher; Larissa Buchholz, treasurer; Ann Kaps, public relations; and Jared Doty. Row2: Donna Moore, sponsor; Sven Meyer, Callie Avery, Genny Gordon, Elva Upshaw, Jennifer Branum and Misti Gourley Row 3: Vicki LaCroix, Amanda Gould, John Bryant, Brandi Smith, Jennifer McClure, Katie Randall and Heather Nicks Row 4: Shelly Carmon, Sefora Doroscan, Faith Cornelius and Karalin Hall



*Micki McCune,
Foreign Cultures
Club President*

"Foreign Cultures club was really fun this year and having a real foreign exchange student made it more interesting"

Foreign Cultures Club *Bringing worlds together*

by Mindy Lee

Foreign Cultures Club allows students to learn and respect other languages and cultures.

This year the Foreign Cultures Club had the chance to share our culture with German foreign exchange student, Sven Meyer. Sven was here during the first semester of school and

was an active member in the club.

The club held a Thanksgiving food drive and with the help of other clubs was able to donate a generous amount of food and money to the Division of Family Services which was distributed to needy families in our community.

Members of Foreign Cultures Club took their trip early this fall to Silver Dollar City to see the Vienna Boys Choir in concert.

The club held fund-raisers to help fund the trip, including an Easter fund-raiser where the club sold plastic eggs filled with candy.

Nathaniel Barbe
Drama Club
President

"Drama Club was a great way to express myself. It gave me a chance to form friendships and develop my mind."

Drama Club Club "Performs" Well

by Allison Curry

Though Drama Club's main goal for the year was to fundraise their way out of a \$2,000 debt left over from previous years, its members didn't forget how to have fun along the way.

They kicked off their activities with a fall production of the comedy

murder mystery, "Alibis."

Senior Tara Shaw attended the play and commented, "I thought everyone in the play did a really great job. It was fun to see them all as completely different people for a night."

In March, Drama Club treated the student

body to a Mardi Gras Dance complete with beads, costumes, contests, a live performance by the "Dinner Room Monkeys," and refreshments. Senior Jaime Ramsey said, "The Mardi Gras Dance was a really good idea and the live band was cool to listen to."

Singing one of their new songs, juniors J.R. Top and John Bryant and sophomore Aaron Hancock, right, perform well on the high school stage. Photo by Tara Shaw



Getting ready for their play, "Alibis", far right, senior Constance Byerlein puts the final touch on freshman Cheryl Noble as freshmen Carrie Neuroth and Lynn Hancock wait for their turn. Photo by Allison Curry

Performing "Alibis" freshman Cheryl Noble whispers into the ear of freshman Laurel Killgore as the other actors wait for the scene to unravel. Photo by Allison Curry

Alibis Cast

Justin, butler: Shane Fair
Hope Leslie Trite:
Megan Hopkins
Sandy Kynxe:
Jesse Chandler
Doctor Hyde:
Laurel Killgore
Sir Tanley A. Fraud:
Mike Delcour
Sister Bella Donna:
Carrie Neuroth
Mr. E.S Solvedd:
Nathaniel Barbe
Monique: Cheryl Noble
Director: Shane James

Drama Club Members

Row 1: Carrie Neuroth, Amy Brown, Chris Mayberry, Laurel Killgore, Cheryl Noble Row 2: Allison Curry, Cathy Smith, Faith Cornelius, Kim Blankenship, Mike Delcour, Jesse Chandler, Shane James Row 3: Jessica Peterson, Megan Hopkins, Maxine Szura, Doti Smith, Nathaniel Barbe, and Eugenie Wilkinson



Clubs make the difference at MGHS

Clubs at MGHS have given a lot to the school and community.

Hi-Step teaches younger students to make the right choices. National Honor Society honors academically talented students and works with the community as they sponsor trash pick-ups and benefit dinners. Student Council provides leadership to the student body and supports the MGHS staff.

These are just a few of the active clubs that make MGHS what it is.

Extra-curricular activities give students a needed diversion to everyday school. In addition, clubs teach students responsibility and the value of working hard for something and the joy of seeing the results. They also help students learn to work together for a common goal.

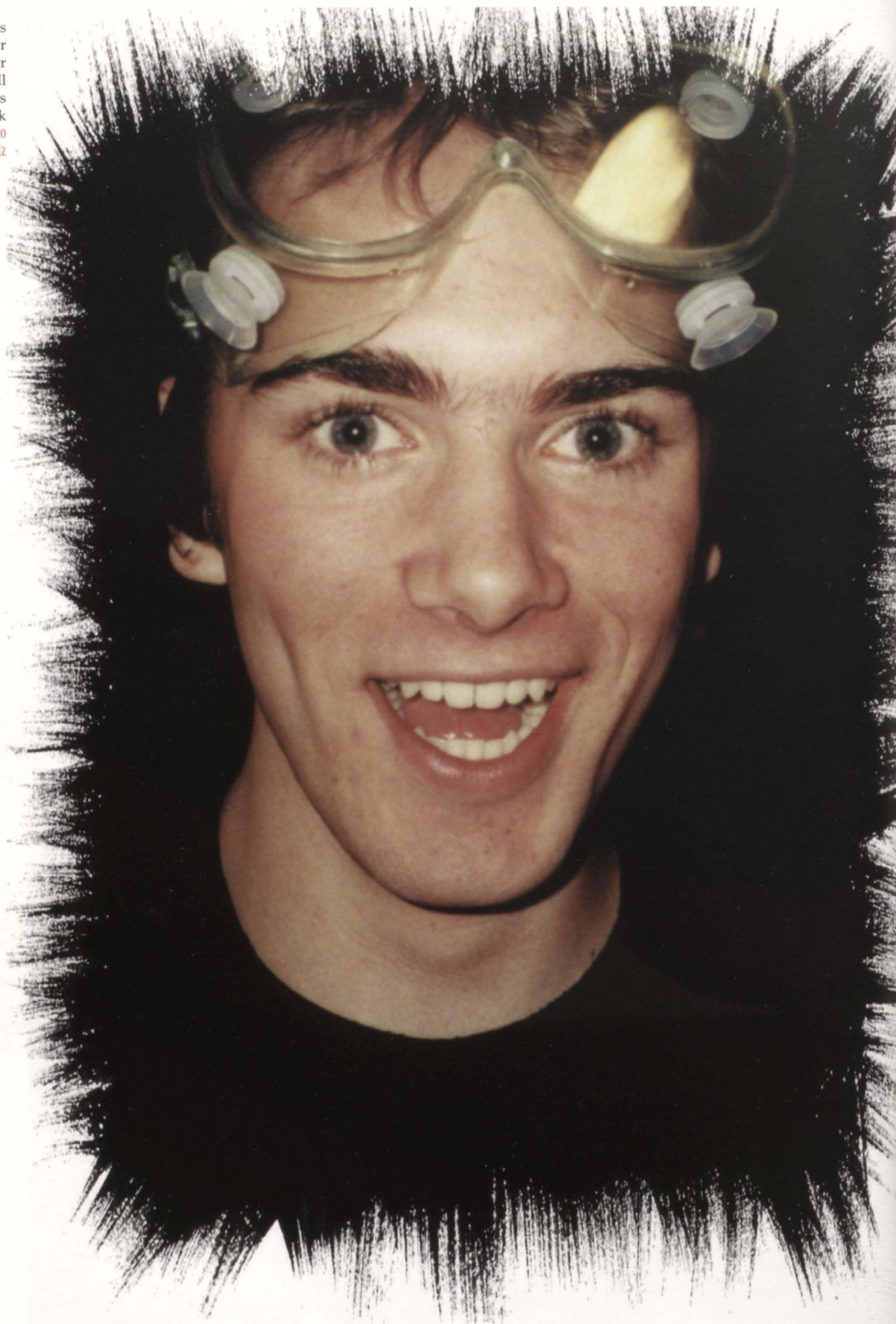
Taking a break from a Spirit Club activity, below, sponsor Michelle Lindsay and daughter seniors, Rachele Douglass, Angela Dunham, Misti Gourley, and Penny Carmon finish making cupcakes for winter sports athletes. Photo courtesy Angela Dunham

Working out at their 4th grade Hi-Step class seniors Tara and Brent Dugger teach a valuable lesson to their students. Photo by Kayla Shannon



Standing in the rain, SHINE members freshman Stephanie Tinsley, senior Brenda Good, and freshman Ashley Roth and Heather Morris read Bible verses at the "See You at the Pole" event which was sponsored by SHINE. Photo by Jaime Ramsey

Displaying his enthusiasm for science junior Brad Randall enjoys his academic work at MGHS. Photo by Larissa Buchholz



Academics

Mrs. Killgore, she gets hit with bad things all the time but she is always strong and overcomes them. She cares about people and she tries to give advice to her students. She has helped me through a lot this year."

-Tara Shaw, senior

"I liked the Mount Saint Helens report in Mrs. Breedlove's class. I thought it was cool to be able to get up and do a report in front of my peers."

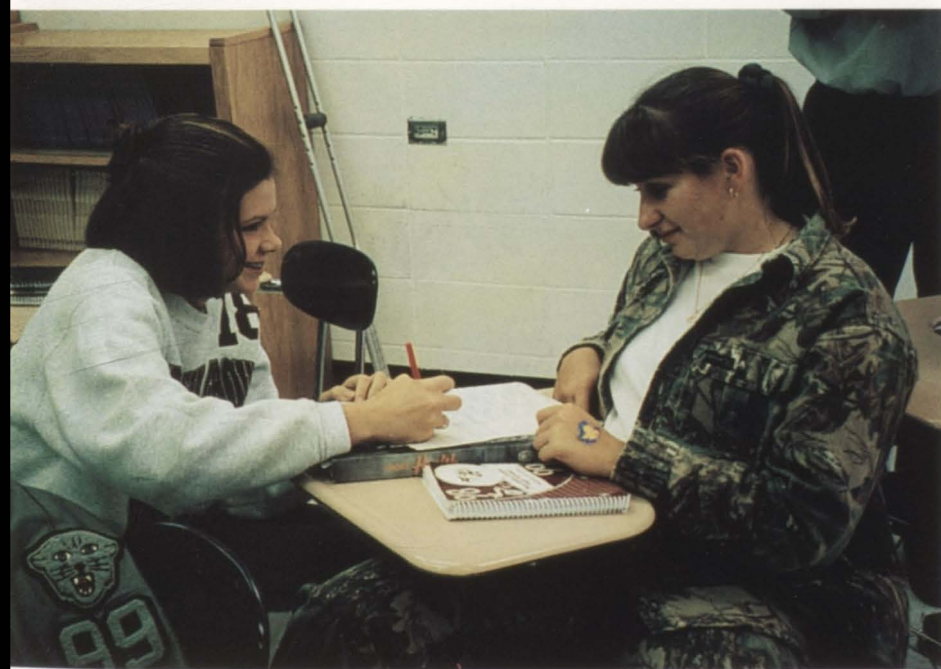
-Brian Ludlum, freshman

"Coach Roach, there are some things that I don't agree with him on, but he showed me to stick up for what I believe in. He is always himself, no matter what. Also, Mrs. Horton because she knows how to show someone that they are special when they need it."

-Sefora Doroscan, freshman

"Band is my favorite class because I am a very musical person."

-Matthew Thompson, sophomore



Working diligently on their assignment for health class, sophomore Tana Blanton and senior Penny Carmon enjoy Coach Dunham's lesson. Photo by Angela Dunham

The academic programs at MGHS, while suffering some cutbacks and allterations in curriculum, remained strong throughout the year. The A+ program continued to offer support through new equipment and job shadowing while the MAP tests changed the face of many of the departments.

Interscholastic Team fares well

by Rachelle Douglass

"It was really nice to bring so many medals home."

Jan Townsend,
Interscholastic Team Sponsor

Honors

Barry Gilley:

1st Psychology/Sociology,
3rd Geography

Brad Randall:

1st Mathematics/Algebra,
1st Mathematics/Geometry

Mandie Estes:

1st Literature, 2nd English

Larissa Buchholz:

2nd Geography

Nathaniel Barbe:

2nd Math/Geometry

Larrea Moreno:

2nd Speech

Jonny Bell:

2nd Biological Science
3rd Agriculture

Josh Colson:

3rd European History

Weslee Long:

3rd Computer Science

Nick Ramsey:

3rd American History

Jared Templeton:

3rd Health Occupations

Heather Todd:

3rd Physical Science

J.R. Top:

3rd English

After much preparation in classes, the Interscholastic Team traveled to SMSU West Plains to participate in the annual interscholastic competition.

The competition consisted of tests in various categories

ranging from core classes to agriculture and health occupations. Participants are chosen by the teachers of the subjects and given final approval from sponsors Mrs. Townsend and Mrs. Moore.

In Division 1, schools consisting of 400 or more students, the team placed

second. In the overall competition, consisting of schools, the team placed third.

"I was very proud of the students. They competed very well and represented their school with honor," replied Mrs. Townsend when asked about the team.



Interscholastic Team

Row 1: Larrea Moreno, Kayla Buchholz, Mandie Estes, Lindsay Campbell, Brandy Young, Todd, Brenda Good, Josh Merritt. Row 2: Amanda Gould, Amanda Hicks, Dara Wade, Buchholz, Amber Bridges, Brad Randall, Barry Gilley, Josh Colson, Jared Templeton, Weslee Long, Nathaniel Barbe, Nick Ramsey, J.R. Top, Jonny Bell, Dustin Sheppard, Broos.



Relieving stress between matches, juniors Brad Randall and Mandie Estes and seniors Barry Gilley and Larissa Buchholz, left, pause for a friendly smile to the camera.

Photo courtesy Jan Townsend.

Honors

Varsity Academic Team

Larissa Buchholz:

All Tournament Teams
(Norwood & Salem)

Brad Randall:

All Tournament Teams
(Mtn. Grove, Norwood,
Salem & West Plains)
District All Tournament Team

Mandie Estes:

SCA All Tournament Team

Team Results:

2nd at Norwood Tournament
2nd at District Tournament
4th at Salem Tournament
5th at SCA Tournament
Top 4 at Mtn. Grove Tourney
Top 4 at Lebanon Tournament

JV Academic Team

Sven Myer:

All Tournament Teams
(Norwood & Salem)

Dara Wade:

All Tournament Team
(Norwood)

Team Results:

1st at Norwood Tourn.
2nd at West Plains Tourn.
Top 4 at Mtn. Grove Tourn.
1st & 2nd at Houston Tourn.
1st & Top 4 at Lebanon Tourn.



Academic Team

Row 1: Donna Moore-sponsor, Sven Myer, Nathaniel Barbe, Barry Gilley, Jennifer McClure, Larissa Buchholz, Jan Townsend-sponsor. Row 2: Michelle Zid, Heather Todd, Jared Templeton, Patti Thornhill, Mandy Estes, Dara Wade, Genny Gordon. Row 3: J.R. Top, Jennifer Hoffman, Brad Randall, Amber Bridges, Jonny Bell, Josh Colson. Row 4: Brian Azevedo, Samantha Lee, Lee Bohnenkamp, Brent Haynam, Kayla Buchholz, Callie Avery, Amanda Gould.

Academic Team receives honors

by Rachelle Douglass

The sounds of buzzers echo through the halls every Thursday afternoon as the Academic Team prepares for another competition. Team members spent many hours a week working at school and at home to better prepare themselves for

success at their Saturday meets.

The team tackles a variety of subjects ranging from academics to sports and leisure at every competition they attend.

The team participated in eight academic based tournaments placing in the

top five in all but two. One of their successes included clinching second at the district tournament.

"I was very proud of the teams. We placed a lot of people on all tournament teams and that is very impressive," commented Mrs. Townsend

"We have had a very successful year, and our teams have consistently done well in competition."

Donna Moore,
Academic Team
Coach



Journalists give Encore!, Panther Perspective a new look

"Our goal in this class is to learn as much Journalism as quickly as possible to begin production of a paper which will service the voice of the students."

Connie Killgore,
Journalism Advisor

by Tara Shaw

The journalism department has kept themselves busy this year.

Each month, students in the journalism class must produce two papers: an eight-page paper, *The Panther Perspective*, to be dispensed to MGHS, and a

one page paper, *The Encore!*, that appears in the Mountain Grove News Journal.

In response to student input, *The Panther Perspective's* format changed some by adding another page to the opinions section, and taking one away from

the sports section. Also, the design and overall appearance of the paper was upgraded.

In addition, while working on stories, reporters addressed the importance of student press laws and censorship in the 90's.

Finishing up their required critiques of news stories seniors Brent Outersky, Tara Shaw, and Heath Housley, far right, show that journalism is not always about reporting and taking pictures. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

Panther Perspective Editor in Chief, senior Mindy Lee, utilizes the journalism department's new digital camera, right. The new camera eliminates the step of having to get film developed, making the photographer's job easier. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

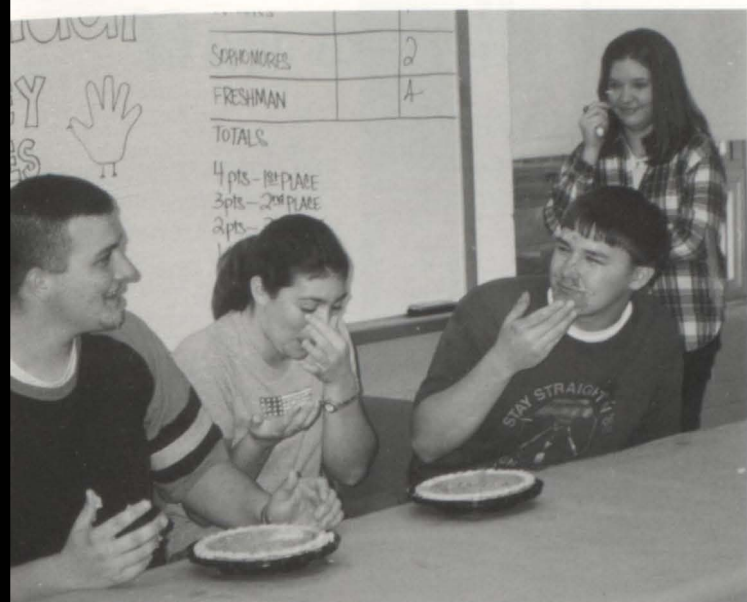


Consulting her advisor Connie Killgore, junior Lane Baldwin, above, looks for advice on which stories to include in her news section of *The Panther Perspective*. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes



Journalism

Row 1: Connie Killgore, Photography Editor/Co-Encore! Editor Christina Flageolle, *Panther Perspective* Editor-in-Chief Mindy Lee, *Encore!* Editor in Chief Sarah Laird, Layout/Copy Editor Associate Opinions Editor Nathaniel Barbe and Student Advisor Larissa Buchholz Row 2: Brent Outersky, News Editor Lane Baldwin, Trends Editor Ann Kaps, Features Editor Tara Shaw, Cartoonist Jesse Denison, and Associate Opinions Editor Genny Gordon Row 3: Associate Editor Lisa Leggins, Sports Editor Tracy Todd, Heather Linton, Associate News Editor Kerry Nicole Morris, Samantha Dennis, and Associate *Encore!* Editor Mike Delcours Row 4: Bethany Danielle Fry, Rachel Homer, Cindy Curran, Brittnee Freeman, and Stephanie Rich.



Following the pumpkin pie-eating contest, senior Brent Outersky, junior Ashley Emery, and winner, freshman Brent Haynam, left, begin to clean themselves up. PTV conducted the 1st Annual Turkey Games as part of their Thanksgiving broadcast. Photo by Allison Curry



Literary Panther editors, senior Allison Curry and junior Josh Jones, left, work to compile student poetry to include in the publication. Many students enjoyed participating in the magazine, and contributed several peices of art and literature each. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

Mass Media students stay busy with PTV

by Allison Curry

Mountain Grove High school offered mass media as a new class this year, and it proved to be a popular addition. The Panther television staff increased by people over last year's staff, so they were able to present a broadcast every week to students and faculty.

With the help of Key Club and other donators, the staff had the advantage of new equipment, including lighting, microphones, and a set.

In addition to PTV, students worked to compile short stories, poems, and artwork to form the school's

first literary magazine, *The Literary Panther*. They also produced a video about the school for new students.

Under the instruction of Connie Killgore, the students learned various techniques of video production, along with mass media theory and history.

"Mass Media is a wonderful course where we combine theory with a lot of hands-on experiences. It allows students to use their communication skills and to explore technology."

Connie Killgore,
Journalism Advisor



Mass Media
Row 1: Connie Killgore, Allison Curry, Cathy Smith, A.J. Watson, Jesse Denison, Jerrod Stearnes, and Shane James. Row 2: Kris Roderick, Josh Jones, J.R. Top, Joe Kuster, Lisa Leggins, Darrell Bolin, and Michael Pope. Row 3: Steven Causey, Tanna Krider, April Shaw, Tara Shaw, Nick Skyles, Connie Perez, Andrea Shannon, and Shane Blankenship. Row 4: Danielle Fry, Iosif Doroscan, Stephanie Stigall, Travis Barnes, Brittnee Freeman, and Danetta Lathrom.



As PTV crew member senior Travis Barnes angles the camera, the commentator for the Turkey Games senior Jesse Denison, below, explains the rules of the Turkey Toss to the four contestants. Photo by Allison Curry



"Due to the new technology that we are using to produce the yearbook, it has been quite a challenge this year. However, the staff has worked hard to meet deadlines."

Beverly Breedlove,
yearbook advisor

Technology challenges staff

by Kayla Shannon

The staff of *The Panther* was greeted at the beginning of the year with several changes in equipment. The addition of a digital camera along with a negative scanner provided new challenges for the staff. With the yearbook lab moving to a new classroom and with a new advisor, the

reduction in computers available provided an additional challenge.

Over the past few years the yearbook staff here at Mtn. Grove High School has undergone many changes. Three years ago the staff consisted of three classes. Last year the Photography 1 class was cut

and this year Advanced Photography followed it. 1998-99 yearbook staff consists of one class and one advisor.

This year's staff is experienced group. Most staff members have been on the staff for at least one year which made the production go a lot smoother.

What is the most difficult thing about being on the yearbook staff?

"Trying to get people to cooperate when we need to take their picture."
Senior Allison Curry

"Getting motivated and not procrastinating!"
Senior Tara Shaw

"Learning all of the things I need to know to design the ads next year."
Junior Jamie Raney

"Trying to learn everything Jessica does so we can produce a yearbook next year."
Junior Kayla Shannon

"Staying awake while doing the ad spreads."
Senior Jaime Ramsey

"Trying to get all the sports stats and putting up with Mrs. Breedlove."
Senior Brent Dugger

"Knowing that we are in charge of preserving the history of the year for everyone in the school. It is a frightening amount of responsibility"
Senior Jessica Peterson

"Meeting the deadlines!"
Senior Rachelle Douglass

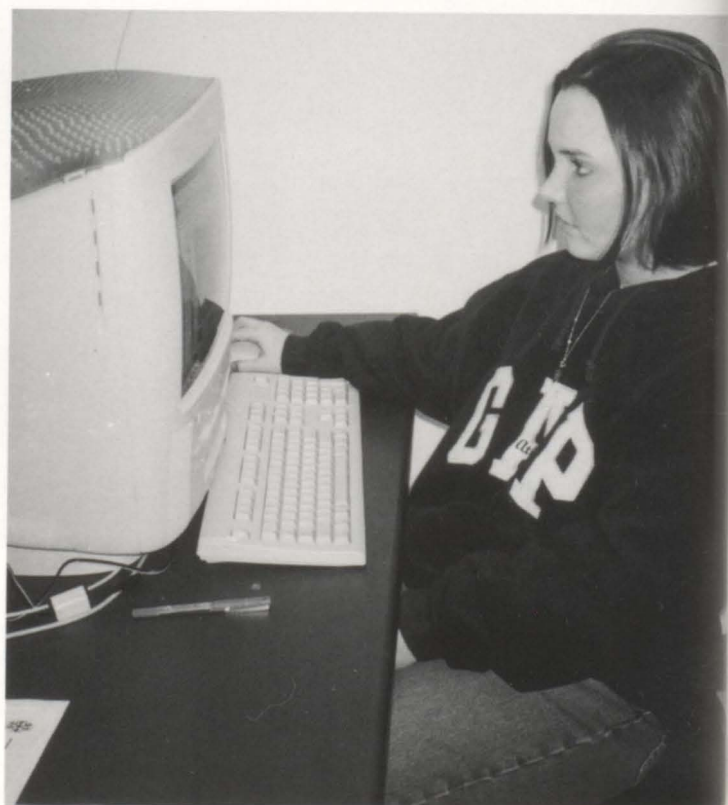
"Writing stories."
Senior Mindy Lee



Yearbook Staff

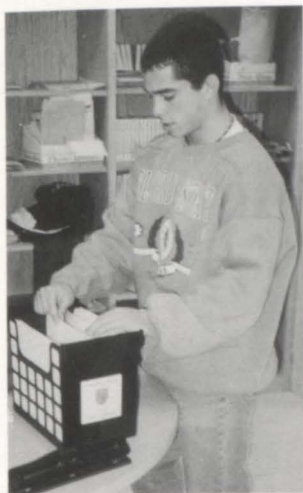
Row 1: Advisor Beverly Breedlove, Editor Jessica Peterson, Graphic/Copy Editor Allison Curry, Technical Editor Jesse Denison, Business Manager Jaime Ramsey. Row 2: Academic Editor Rachelle Douglass, Underclassmen Editor Carrie Stratton, Royalty Editor Kayla Shannon, Senior Editor Tara Shaw, Sports Editor Brent Dugger, Organizations Editor Angela Dunham. Row 3: Mindy Lee, Sarah Laird, Ashley Emery, Jamie Raney, Heath Housley, OMT Editor Jerrod Stearnes, Penny Carmon.

Working hard at her computer, editor Jessica Peterson, designs yet another layout for the yearbook. Photo by Brent Dugger



Preparing for class, below, senior
Brent Dugger checks to see how his
sports section is coming along. Photo
by Angela Dunham

At Jostens yearbook seminar, be-
neath, junior Kayla Shannon,
seniors Jessica Peterson, Allison
Emery, and Tara Shaw discuss ideas
for the cover and theme of the 1999
yearbook. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove



Watching every move, left, junior
Jamie Raney learns how to design ads
from senior Jamie Ramsey. Photo by
Brent Dugger

Searching for that perfect picture jun-
ior Ashley Emery, below, looks
through the proof sheets. Photo by
Brent Dugger



Feeling the stress of working on the year-
book, above, senior Rachel Douglass
worries about meeting her deadline.
Photo by Jessica Peterson



Using his knowledge at the computer,
above, senior Jesse Denison works
hard on The Panther as he fulfills his
duties as technical editor. Photo by
Brent Dugger

Putting their
heads together,
above, seniors
Angela Dunham
and Penny
Carmon try to
find one of the
many pictures
needed. Photo by
Brent Dugger

"The restructuring of the department has given students more opportunities to develop their writing skills."

Judy Kemper,
Department Head

English Department

Beverly Breedlove: English 1 CP, English 1 TP, School Publications

Sharon Buffington: English 2 CP, Short Fiction, Speech

Judy Kemper: English 1 TP, English 3 CP, English 111 DE

Connie Killgore: English 3 TP, Journalism, Mass Media

Les Top: English 2 TP, English 2 CP, English 4 CP, English Literature/World Literature

Changes in curriculum

by Rachele Douglass

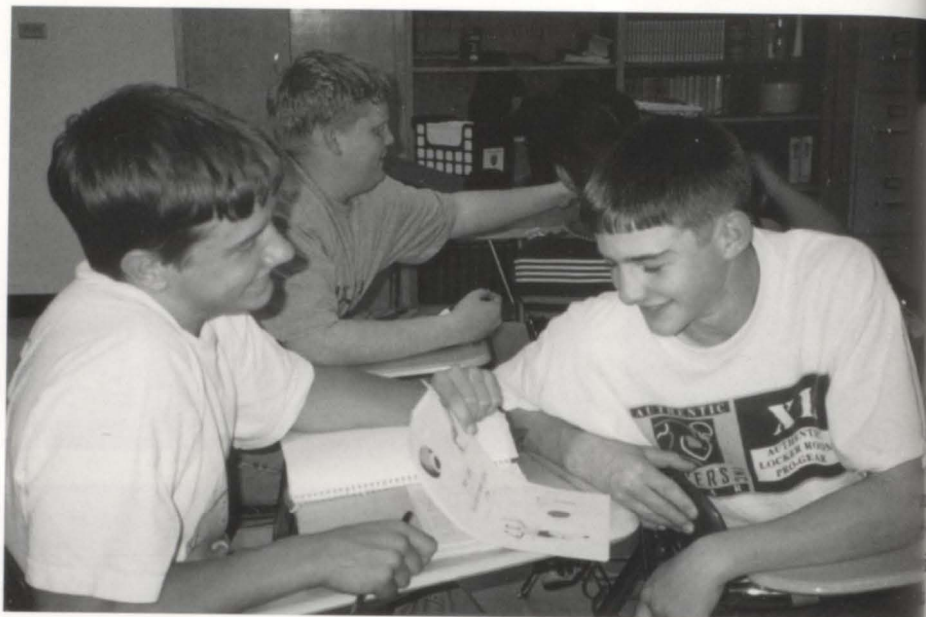
The English Department had two new classes this year, English III and Short Fiction. The English III class was offered to both college-prep and tech-prep junior students, and the Short Fiction class was for juniors and seniors.

"Since the state will now require that juniors take the MAP test in the spring of their junior year, we as a department felt that we needed to have our juniors take a basic English class instead of the previously offered elective classes," commented Beverly Breedlove, English instruc-

tor.

All juniors also participated in job shadowing, through the A+ program and wrote detailed accounts of their experiences.

Students in the English classes continued to benefit from the computer labs in each classroom that were purchased with A+ funds.



Junior Shawnee Strunk and sophomore Brandie Alexander, above, work with community member Shawn McDonald on their feasibility study. Students researched possible school improvements and wrote feasibility studies which they presented to the school board. Ms. McDonald gave them price quotes for their sign project. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove.

After much hard work in Mrs. Breedlove's English I CP class freshman Matt Gaddis, top, proudly shows freshman Jacob Peterson his autobiography. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove.

Enthusiastically describing how to saddle a horse, sophomore Doti Smith, above, does a little extra to achieve a good grade by bringing her horse during her "How To" speech. Photo by Rachele Douglass.



Critiquing her entry, junior Mandie Estes, left, receives assistance from Mrs. Kemper before submitting her work to the Language Arts Fair. Photo by Rachelle Douglass.

Award winners at the LAD Fair included senior Allison Curry for a descriptive essay and junior Sarah Laird for a feature story, below. Photo by Rachelle Douglass



LAD Fair provides recognition

by Rachelle Douglass

On Saturday April 24, Mrs. Kemper, Mrs. Killgore, Mrs. Buffington traveled to Nixa High School for the annual Language Arts Fair. With them, they took the literary works of seventeen students to enter in the competition in categories

ranging from poetry to journalistic writing

The Language Arts Fair is an annual competition sponsored by the Language Arts Department of Southwest Missouri which includes high school teachers and college professors from across our part of the state.

This year the competition

consisted of over 6000 entries from several participating schools in the southern part of the state.

Mtn. Grove students submitted the following literary works: poetry, literary analysis, descriptive essays, news stories, sports stories, feature stories, and editorials.

"I'm very proud of the students because ribbons are very difficult to win in this competition."

Connie Killgore,
English Instructor



LAD Fair Participants

Row 1: Cody Knaak, Mandie Estes, Sarah Laird, Larissa Buchholz. Row 2: Stefanie Coble, Michelle Lane Baldwin, Allison Curry. Not Pictured: Kerry Burd, Christina Flageolle, Jason Glenn, Cody Lee, Paul Lee, Heather Linton, Matt Morris, Tracy Todd, Dara Wade.

Honors

Allison Curry:
Honorable Mention
Descriptive Essay
Sarah Laird:
Honorable Mention
Feature Story

Modules enhance student learning

by Rachelle Douglass

"Computer-assisted learning is becoming more important."

Walt Finney,
Department Head

Science Department

Walt Finney: Anatomy, Biology, Environmental Science

Jeannie Horton: Biology, Physical Science

Troy Marnholtz: ABC, ABC 2, Conservation/Environmental Science, Physical Science

Bonnie Peterson: Chemistry 1, Chemistry 2 DE, Laboratory Technology, Physics

A large variety of science classes were offered this year to the MGHS students.

The science department upgraded their technology, allowing students to participate in more hands on activities. At the beginning

of the year, the department received several computer modules, ranging from flight modules to electronic and 3-D modules. A total of seven new modules were available to interested students in Mrs. Peterson's classes. Toward the end of the year, the department upgraded them

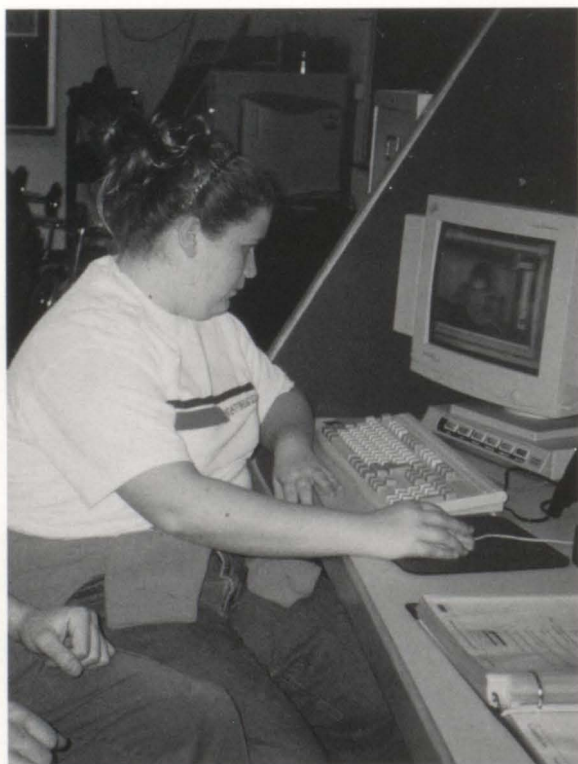
to level two modules.

Other classes were very active also. Mr. Finney's Environmental Science students took a field trip to the city water treatment plant, where they learned the process human waste goes through before it re-enters the earth.



Diligently working to finish her assignment, senior Micki McCune, left, utilizes one of the seven new computer modules provided by the Science Department. Through the A+ Program the Science Department was able to purchase computer modules for use in Mrs. Peterson's classes. Photo by Rachelle Douglass.

Concentrating intently on their project, senior Ann Kaps and juniors Jonny Bell and Lindsay Cambell, above, observe the systems of the fetal pig during their dissection in Mr. Finney's anatomy classes. Photo by Brent Dugger





Freshman Science Olympiad participants, left, placed third in regional competition and qualified to compete in state competition at Columbia. Participants were: Row 1: Samantha Zid, Rebecca Horton, Brian Azevedo. Row 2: Travis Bradshaw, Brent Haynam.

Honors

Regional Placings:

Barry Gilley &
Karin Hall:
1st Water Quality
Mandie Estes &
Kayla Buchholz:
1st Don't Bug Me
Heather Todd &
Kayla Buchholz:
2nd Chemistry Lab
Amber Bridges &
Karin Hall:
2nd Genetics
Kayla Buchholz &
Lindsay Campbell:
2nd Reach for the Stars
Jonny Bell &
Heather Todd:
2nd Data Gathering
Freshman Team:
3rd at Regionals
Brent Haynam &
Samantha Zid:
1st Physical Science

Science team advances to state

"The results of the competition in Springfield were very satisfying. I am very proud of our students."

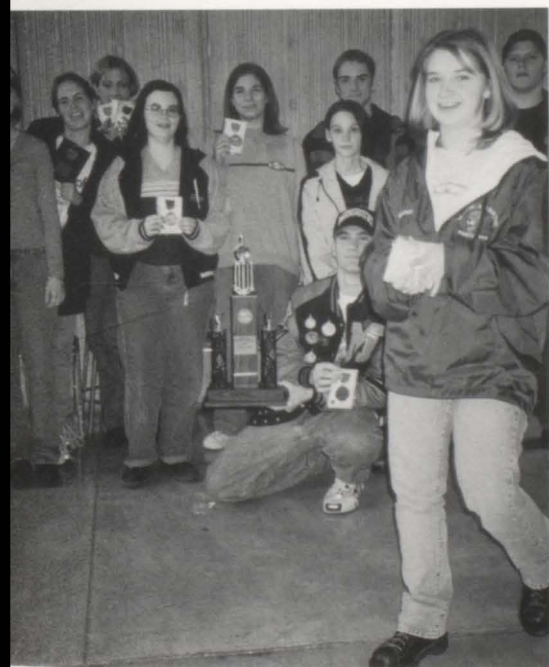
Walt Finney,
Department Head

by Rachelle Douglass

Consisting of thirteen students, the Science Olympiad team traveled to Springfield Saturday, March 8 to participate in the regional competition. They took the competition by storm, placing third overall. Eight students advanced to the state competition in Colum-

bia.

When asked about the state competition Mr. Finney commented, "We had to make a number of substitutions to replace our juniors who were not able to go to Columbia. Considering how little time we had to prepare and the intense level of competition, we made a respectable showing."



Science Olympiad participants proudly display their medals while sophomore Kayla Buchholz, left, walks the podium to receive hers.
Photo by Larissa Buchholz.



Science Olympiad

Row 1: Callie Avery, Kayla Buchholz, Lindsay Campbell, Larissa Buchholz. Row 2: Mandie Estes, Amanda Gould, Amber Bridges. Row 3: Barry Gilley, Heather Todd, Brad Randall. Row 4: Karin Hall, Walt Finney- sponsor, Jonny Bell. Not Pictured: Josh Colson.

Math Department fosters change

by Rachelle Douglass

"The new technology helps our students succeed in competitions."

Randy Reed,
Department Head

Math Department

Solomon Cornelius: Integrated Algebra and Geometry, Algebra 1

Marsha Forrest: Algebra 2, Intermediate Algebra, Pre-Algebra, Trigonometry

Randy Reed: Algebra 2, Algebra 3, Pre-Algebra

Jan Townsend: Algebra 3 DE, Calculus, Geometry, Pre-Calculus

Rita Tyrrell: Algebra 1

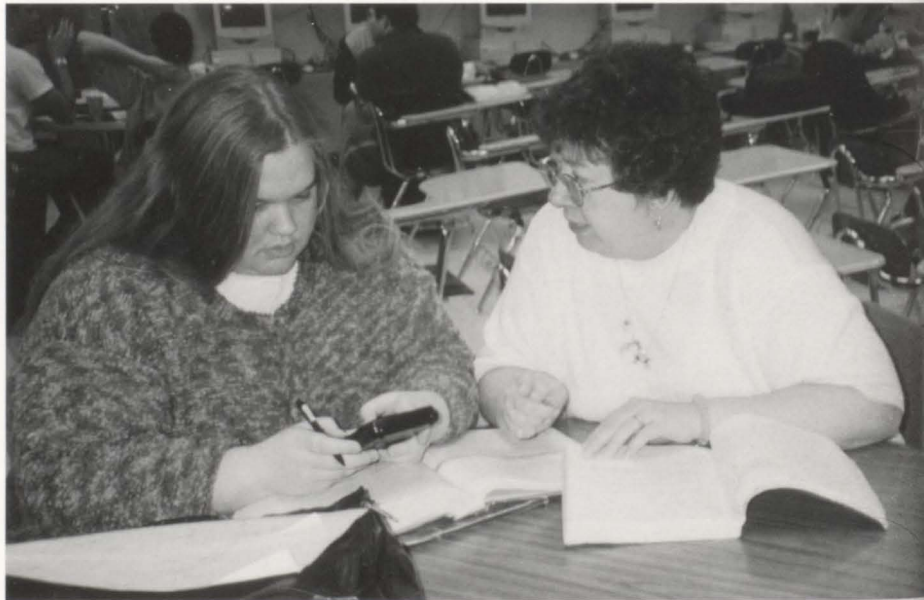
If you have participated in any of the math classes this year, you may have noticed many changes. Through the A+ Grant, the Math Department has gained a number of new technological devices to help them better prepare their students for the future.

The use of graphing calculators, TI-83, has expanded from just College Algebra and Calculus classes to almost all of the higher math courses available.

Another change is the addition of a second level of applied math, also known as Integrated Algebra and

Geometry.

"The methods of teaching math are changing constantly. Calculators in classes don't necessarily make the math easier, they should add to a more thorough comprehension," commented teacher Jan Townsend.



Collaborating on a calculator problem, seniors Nathaniel Barbe and Jeremy Flores, above top, prove the theory that two heads are better than one. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass.*

With assistance from her instructor Mrs. Townsend, senior Larissa Buchholz, above, tackles a difficult Calculus problem. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass.*



Showing her math knowledge, freshman Jennifer Smith, left, works diligently at the board. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass.*



Striving for excellence, junior Heather Todd, below, attempts to answer the problems correctly. Photo by Rachelle Douglass.



Working against the clock, juniors Brad Randall and Amber Bridges, left, concentrate on finishing the challenge problems on time. Photo by Rachelle Douglass.

Math Team places second at SCA

by Rachelle Douglass

Contests were a big part of the Math Department this year as the Math Teams scored high at various competitions.

On March 11 the Math Team traveled to Mtn. View to participate in the annual SCA Math and Science Relays. They ended up placing second out of the nine SCA conference teams attending the relay

competition.

April 13 several students traveled to SMSU to participate in their second contest of the year, the Pummel Relays.

"There were 62 schools competing and the field was very difficult. Mtn. Grove came away with two medals which is very impressive considering the difficulty of the competition," said sponsor Randy Reed.



Math Team

Row 1: Callie Avery, Larissa Buchholz, Lindsay Cambell, Samantha Zid, Rachelle Douglass. Row 2: Cheryl Noble, Jodi Chernowsky, Mandie Estes, Stephanie Tinsley, Kayla Buchholz. Row 3: Brynn Bell, Michelle Broos, Laurel Killgore, Aaron Hancock, April Shaw, Charity Gault, Vern Buck. Row 4: Steven Gates, Jared Templeton, Nick Ramsey, Brynn Benthall, Heather Todd, Becca Hollee. Row 5: Weslee Long, Nathaniel Barbe, Brad Randall, Amber Bridges, Gary Shaw.

Honors

SCA Math Contest

Vernon Buck:

1st Applied Math

Mandie Estes:

1st Probability

1st Biology 2

1st Anatomy

Callie Avery:

2nd Biology 1

Amber Bridges:

2nd Chemistry

Charity Gault:

2nd Applied Math

Rachelle Douglass:

3rd Calculators

Steven Gates:

3rd ABC Science

Kayla Buchholz:

3rd Trigonometry

Heather Todd:

3rd Chemistry

Brad Randall:

4th Chemistry

4th Probability

5th Pre-Calculus

April Shaw:

4th Applied Math

11th Grade Team:

1st Team Test

12th Grade Team:

4th Team Test

10th Grade Team:

4th Team Test

Mathfax

Team:

2nd in state

Brad Randall:

1st in state

Rachelle Douglass:

2nd in state

Amber Bridges:

3rd in state

Weslee Long:

7th in state

Pummel Relays

Brad Randall:

3rd Counting &

Probability

Jeremy Flores:

4th Algebra

"Mrs. Williams has brought a lot of enthusiasm to American History in the 9th grade, from songs, to plays, to art work."

Tom Hutchison,
Department Head

Social Studies Department

Tom Hutchison,
World History,
Psychology DE
Bridget Williams,
American History
Kyle Roach,
World History,
American History
Bob Vandiver,
American Government,
Psychology, Sociology

Seeing is believing

by Mindy Lee

This year the Social Studies department took learning out of the classroom. The department sponsored hands on activities to help students better their understanding of our government.

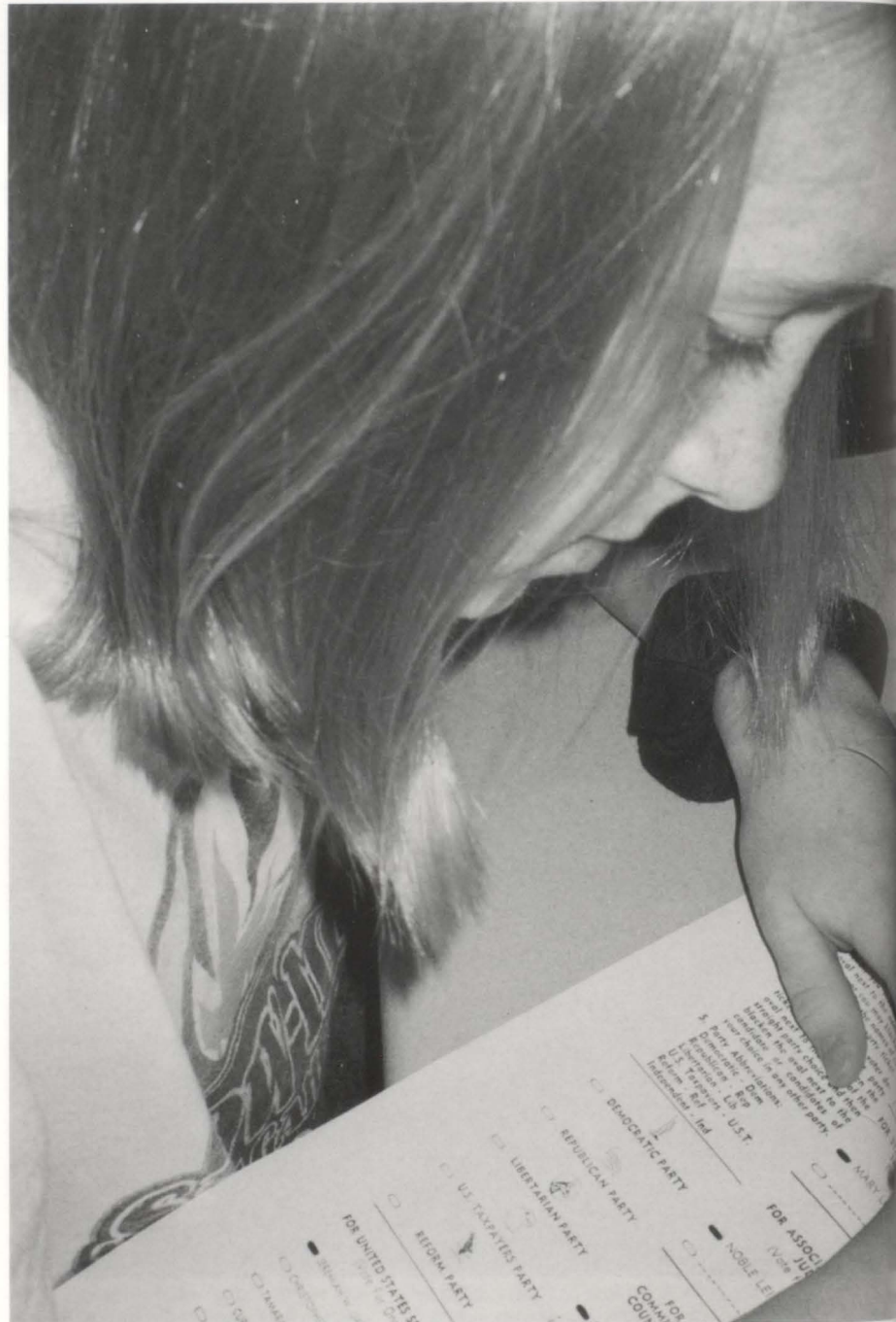
In October the Social

Studies department held a mock election for students. Students that participated had to register for voting, and fill out sample ballots just as you would for a real election.

Students then traveled to the court house to see the

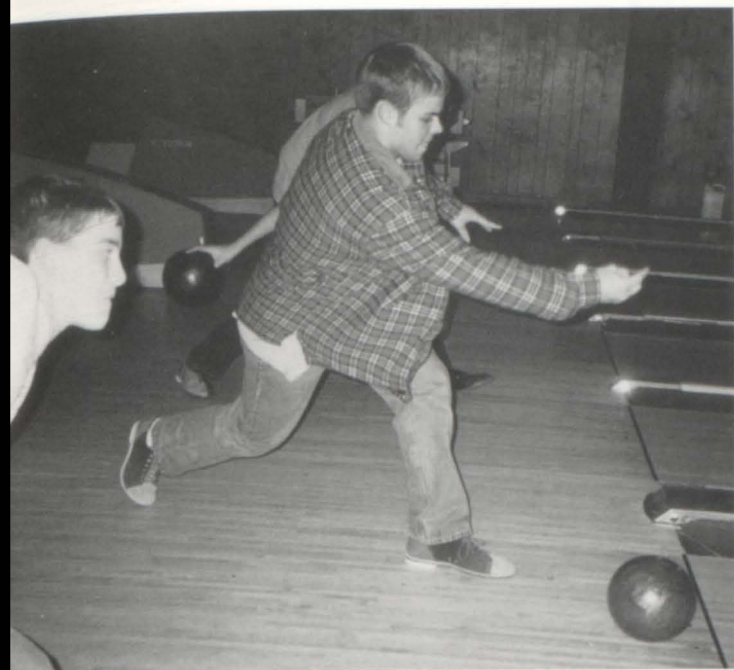
ballots counted.

The American History classes better understood ways of life during the civil war when they visited Wilson's Creek Battle Field in November. The students spent the day exploring the paths of war.



American History students, left, stop to admire a cannon, as they walk the paths still remaining from the civil war. Photo by Laurel Killgore

Freshman Samantha Zid, above, participates in the mock election held by the social studies department as they fill out a mock ballot. Photo by Mindy Curry



Rolling the ball, far left, freshmen Kane Roth and Matt Douglass enjoy bowling in their physical education class at Mountain Grove Bowl. Photo by Angela Dunham

Bulking up his triceps for football, left, junior Nathan Fry does dips in weight lifting. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Phys Ed improves quality of life

by Mindy Lee

Physical Education is required class for high school graduation. The class consists of a mixture of exercising and playing games, with the study of health and healthy life styles.

Physical Education gives students the chance to participate in a wide variety

of sports and games they might not usually get to participate in. The students in PE played golf, volleyball, whiffle ball, went bowling, and even line danced during the year.

With an extra semester of PE added to the graduation requirements, the

students will now be able to experience a wider variety of sports and book work.

In addition, Fitness, taught by Coach Roach gave students a chance to develop their physical abilities on an even higher level as students lifted weights and improved their abilities.

"Physical Education has been very exciting this year. This year students have been fun to work with. They have showed a lot of enthusiasm."

Ron Dunham
Department Head

Physical Education

Ron Dunham,
Physical Education,
Health
Kyle Roach,
Physical Education,
Fitness



Stretching before gym freshmen Emily Davis, Ashley Roth, Jayme Collins, and Michika Curtis, above, stretch up on the days events before class starts. Photo by Allison Curry

Experiencing another language

"Learning another language and culture expands student's horizons."

Donna Moore
Department Head

Foreign
Language
Department

Donna Moore,
Spanish I, II, III, & IV

by Penny Carmon

The foreign language department at Mtn. Grove High School offers Spanish 1, 2, 3, & 4. Spanish 3 & 4 are combined into one class. All Spanish classes are taught by Donna Moore.

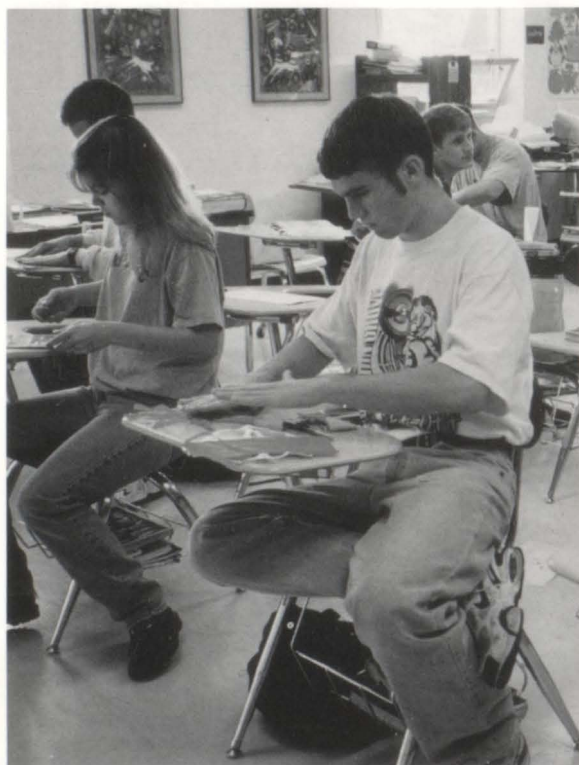
Foreign language not only improves students worldliness but also helps

them develop better study habits. Knowledge of a foreign language, such as Spanish, can be a valuable career asset.

Senora Moore planned many activities for her Spanish classes this year including, making Papel Picado in class, and attend-

ing a play at Kickapoo High School to see Flamenco Dancing which included eating at Rio Bravo.

Freshman Shelly Carmon said, "I enjoy taking Spanish because it gives me a chance to broaden my knowledge through a different language."



Working on their Papel Picados junior Jonny Bell, and freshman Megan Gaddis, above, set at their desks and assemble their projects. Photo by Penny Carmon

Enjoying lunch at Rio Bravo sophomore Evonne Perez, seniors Krystal Moore, Maryann Robertson, and Amy Oaks, sophomores Jolena Mitchell and Holly Bell take a break after the Spanish trip to the Flamenco Dance. Photo courtesy Donna Moore



Junior Dara Wade and Senora Moore present J.R. Beushausen with a check from the Spanish classes for \$275.85 for Hurricane Mitch relief. Also pictured are senior Greg Cantrell, juniors Jammie Hurley, Kristie Weatherly, Mike Zid and Heather Linton, senior LeAnna Wallace, sophomore Katie Rasmussen, junior Mandie Estes, and senior Elva Upshaw. Students at MGHS contribute to the activities presented by the Spanish classes to help with the devastation caused by Hurricane Mitch in Honduras and Nicaragua. Photo by Penny Carmon



Working on balancing her checkbook, senior Amy Oaks concentrates on getting the job done. Photo by Penny Carmon



Participating in a talk show skit during basic business, left, sophomore Tommy Cooper explains what factors helped him to decide on a career. Photo by Brent Dugger

Students practice skills

by Penny Carmon

The Practical Arts department is an important part of the curriculum at GHS, but many students avoid it because they are not familiar with what practical arts really means.

This department offers skills for our ever-growing technical world,

daily living (insurance, banking, checking, careers, and more), and keying skills that everyone will need and use for many years to come. In fact, keyboarding is a requirement for everyone in order to graduate.

Statistics show employers are looking for

high school graduates that are able to solve problems, make decisions, and be personable on many levels including technical, clerical, and daily living. Practical Arts classes are here to shape students into the high-functioning, successful workers of the future.

"Our department is going to grow and grow. We are 'going places' because we want our way students to go places too."

Stacey Matherly
Department Head

Practical
Arts
Department

Stacey Matherly,
Basic Business I, II
Michelle Lindsey,
Keyboarding I, II, III
Shannon Nelson,
Keyboarding I



Senior Stefanie Coble, above, works diligently on a project in the media center. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Students enjoy variety of fine arts

by Angela Dunham

*"Art is subjective,
anyone can excel
at it if they try."*

Brad Willingham,
Art Teacher

Fine Arts Department

Jim Dickey: Band, Jazz
Band

Janet Payne: Choir

Shannon Wilkinson: Choir,
Music Appreciation

Brad Willingham: Art
Appreciation, Art 1, Art 2,
Art 3

The Fine Arts Department is made up of band, choir, music appreciation, and a variety of art classes. New art teacher, Brad Willingham joined the other three teachers in the department.

The art classes have been busy. "One of the things we have done this year is raise money to buy a

new firing kiln. The students also worked on projects to enter in the Alpha Rho Tau art show," commented Mr. Willingham.

The music classes also worked hard to prepare for contest and concerts through out the year. Their efforts were rewarded as they won honors and entertained the community.

In order for students to graduate from MGHS they must earn at least one fine credit from those offered. However, most students are interested in these types of classes take more than one.

Senior Faith Cornelius commented, "Art is a way of expressing my emotions."



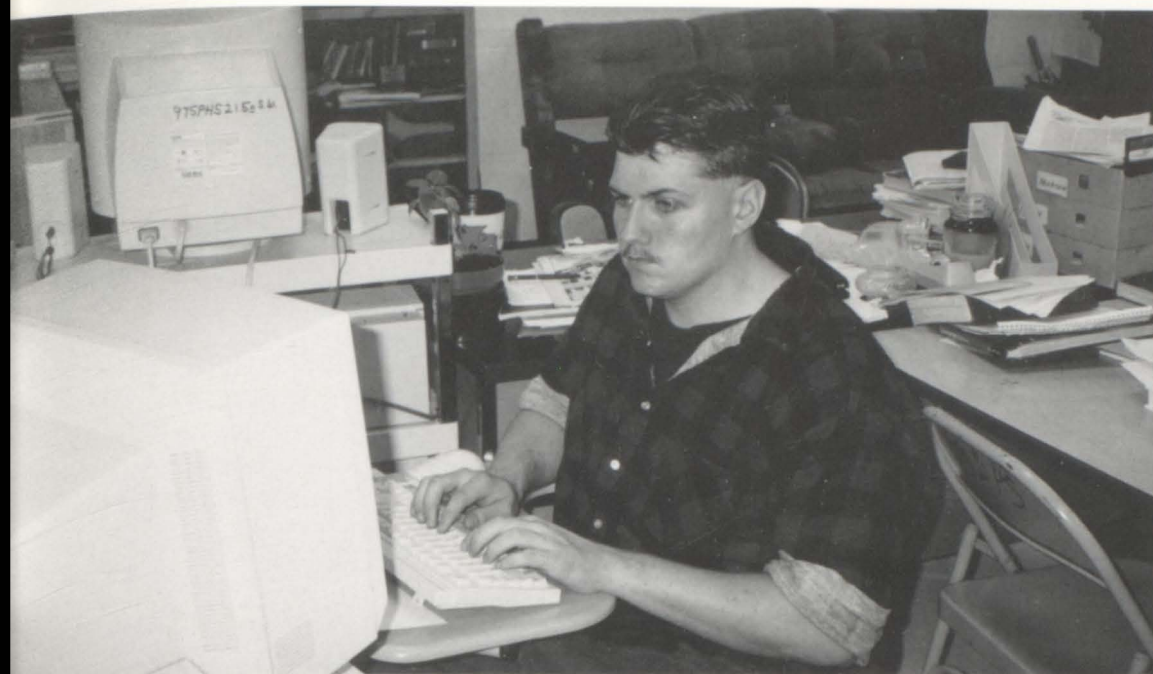
Keeping each other on task, senior David Emery and junior Anthony Empie, above, finish their soap sculptures. Photo by Allison Curry



Putting the final details on a pencil design, junior Ryan McConnell concentrates on finishing the assignment. Photo by Allison Curry



Performing at a Christmas concert, freshman Danny Nash, and sophomores Aaron Bench and Jeremy Edwards, above, watch their choir director. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes



Exploring the internet, left, sophomore Joey Dodd uses one of the new computers. *Photo by Penny Carmon*

Sampling the pizza, below, junior Annette Creed enjoys the finished product of a cooking project. *Photo by Penny Carmon*



Students prepare for future

by Angela Dunham

With four special education teachers, things have continued to improve in the department.

New teacher Janet Southard commented, "we have grade checks every two weeks for the students so that we can make sure they're getting all of their work caught up."

Hands on activities also help students get ready for the 'real world.' In Mrs. Thornhill's classes, the students learn everyday skills such as cooking, working, and washing clothes. Several students work in jobs outside of school with people from the community where they hold down a real job. This experi-

ence helps them understand what it will be like to hold down a job after graduation. "I love my job working with younger kids," commented junior Connie Perkins.

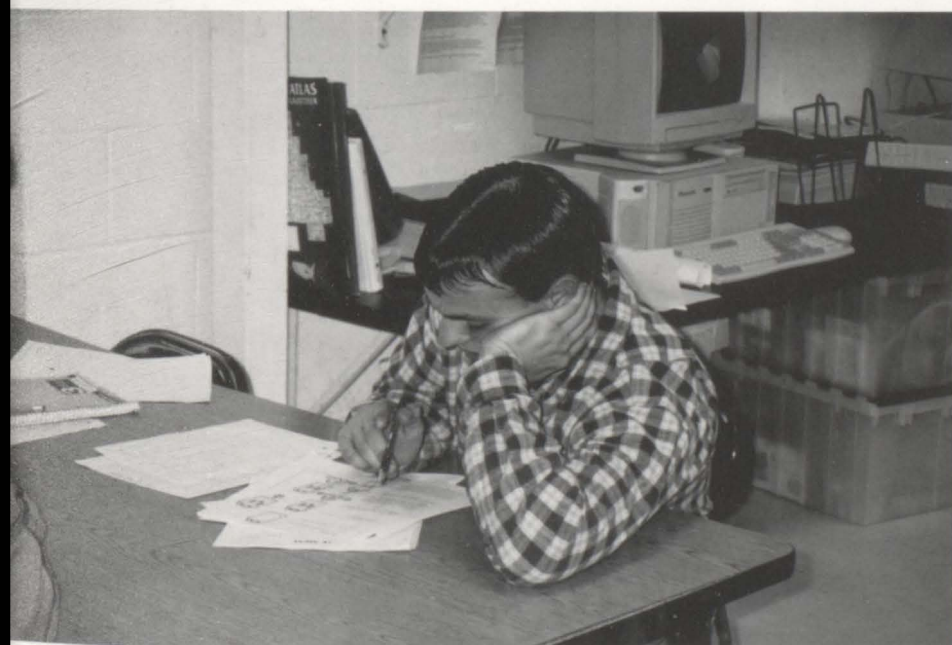
"I enjoy being in these classes because it is a nice quiet environment where I can actually get work done," commented senior Matt Hurst.

"We work on getting the students prepared for college, vocational training, or a job."

Nancy Doty, teacher

Special
Education
Department

Nancy Doty: Special Programs
Janet Southard: Special Programs
Sherrie Branson: Special Programs
Lori Thornhill: Special Programs



Concentrating on finishing his assignment, junior Phillip Parsons chooses his final answer, left. *Photo by Penny Carmon*

DC trip inspires patriotism

"Marching band this year had a very challenging show. The music was difficult, it took a lot of extra time and preparation. We did very well considering the level of music and drill. Ozarko was our most difficult contest this year and we placed 7th out of 20."

Jim Dickey, Band Director

by Jaime Ramsey & Mindy Lee

After a wonderful trip to D.C., the Panther Pride Marching Band was inspired to perform a patriotic show this season. Battle Hymn Fanfare, American Salute, Chorale and Shaker Dance, and Shenadoah were their musical selections.

The band first competed

in the Aurora Hound Dog Marching Festival, where they placed 2nd in their division, and received the Caption Award for Outstanding Drum Majors.

After a strong performance Homecoming night, a tired band traveled to Flat River to compete in the Park Hills Rebel Invitational the

next day. There the band placed 3rd in their division.

Finally the band marched on the turf at Southwest Missouri State University. Several bands proved to be tough competition, but the Panther Pride Band fought hard back and finished 8th in the class 3A competition.



Pumping out the volume, senior Jeff Moore and sophomore Ed House, above, shake the stadium. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Projecting her pride, freshman Stephanie Tinsley, far right, adds excitement to the performance. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Keeping the band in time, senior Jaime Ramsey, right, conducts at the half-time show. Photo by Jessica Peterson



Standing proud drum majors senior Jaime Ramsey and junior Samantha Dennis, right, wait for the results of class 2A and 3A division at Ozarko. Photo courtesy Gerrie Dinning



CONCERT BAND



The two tubas, sophomores Nick Ramsey and Jeremy Turner, left, provide a solid foundation of sound. *Photo courtesy Gerrie Dinning*



Sophomore Alesha Walker, left, performs with pride for the home crowd. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*

A focused band led by the drum majors, middle left, takes the field for competition. *Photo courtesy Gerrie Dinning*



Senior Micki McCune, left, marches with pride at her last competition. *Photo courtesy Gerrie Dinning*



*1998 Ozarko Show Band Festival
Southwest Missouri State Univ.*

Concert Band wins at contest

by Jaime Ramsey

"The kids were very dedicated and worked hard to create a successful year."

Shannon Wilkinson,
Assistant Band Director

The Concert Band was strong this year as they worked very hard to attain I's at the District and State Competitions held at West Plains.

Several members of the Concert Band grouped together to form a Wood-

wind Choir and a Brass Choir. These two ensembles also competed at Districts. The Woodwind Choir received a II+, and the Brass Choir got a I.

The band also enjoyed an overnight trip to St. Louis. They performed at Pacific High School where they

placed 1st with a Superior rating. The band then spent the rest of the day at Six Flags having fun.

The Concert Band delighted audiences at two concerts this year and entertained the community at the annual Band Boosters barbeque on the square.

Honors

SCA

Mindy Lee, Amber Bridges, Jessica Bradshaw, Julia Kuster, Ann Kaps, Elva Upshaw, Jennifer Branum, Genny Gordon, Michelle Zid, Stephanie Tinsley, Brandi Smith, Amanda Gould, Micki McCune, Jason Glenn, Dusty Lee, Kristie Weatherly, Samantha Dennis, Heather Todd, Jaime Ramsey, Aaron Hancock, Samantha Zid, Nathaniel Barbe, Heather Morris, Becca Holee.

Districts

Honor Band: Brandi Smith
District Band: Micki McCune, Genny Gordon, Vicki LaCroix.

State

Solos: Mindy Lee, Amber Bridges, Jessica Bradshaw, Genny Gordon, Brandi Smith, Micki McCune, Jeff Moore, Aaron Hancock.

Saxophone Quartet: Brandi Smith, Amanda Gould, Micki McCune, Nick Ramsey.

Brass Sextet: Heather Todd, Jeff Moore, Jaime Ramsey, Matt Thompson, Nathaniel Barbe, Nick Ramsey.



Sophomore Becca Holee, above, blows her baritone at the Spring Concert. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

Tweeting her flute senior Mindy Lee, right, concentrates on hitting all the right notes. Photo By Jerrod Stearnes



Talking with his hands Mr. Dicke below, introduces the band to crowd. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes



Always composing, senior Daniel Hancock, below, plays at his last Jazz Band contest. Photo by Jaime Ramsey

Jazz Band Honors

District Jazz Band:
Nathaniel Barbe

Solo Recognition:
Brandi Smith, Jason Glenn, Nick Ramsey, Jeff Moore, Nathaniel Barbe, Matt Thompson, Anthony Crisp

Semper Fi Award:
Micki McCune
John Phillip Sousa Award: Jaime Ramsey
Louis Armstrong Award: Nathaniel Barbe
Directors Award for Band: Jeff Moore
Outstanding Band Member: Mindy Lee
Rookie of the Year: Becca Holee
Outstanding Freshman Award: Lynn Hancock and Samantha Zid

Jazz Band lays the groove

by Jaime Ramsey

The Mountain Grove Jazz Band had quite a challenge to tackle this year. With half of last year's band graduated, the remaining members had to step up and show ten new members the ropes. The young band tried

their luck at three contests, and they did very well at all of them.

The Jazz Band competed early in the season at Springfield in the SMSU and Drury contests. Their annual overnight trip to the Mac Jazz Festival was cancelled due to ice and snow so

another two day trip to the St. Charles West competition was added.

The Jazz Band is a colorful addition to the several band concerts that are held through out the year. Their fun and playful attitude and music always creates a relaxed atmosphere.

"I am very proud of the band's accomplishments this year. They have grown musically and played challenging music."

Jim Dickey,
Band Director



Senior Micki McCune and SMS Jazz Band member, Brandon Thompson, above, jam after a Saturday morning rehearsal. Photo by Jaime Ramsey

"I'm really proud of the accomplishments of this year's Concert Choir and Selectet. They've tackled some very challenging literature and handled it very professionally."

Janet Payne
Department Head

Vocal Music

Janet Payne:
Concert Choir
Selectet
Shannon
Wilkinson:
Mixed Choir

Concentrating on the song at hand, senior Micki McCune, sophomore Alesha Walker, and freshman Carrie Neuroth, right, open their mouths to make a beautiful harmony. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

Choir continues tradition of excellence

by Jaime Ramsey

There are three choirs in the vocal music department. Mixed Choir is a non-audition choir. Concert Choir and Selectet are audition only groups. These three choirs worked hard to prepare music for three concerts performed during the year.

The Concert Choir and Selectet competed in SCA competition in the fall and district competition in the spring at West Plains. Selectet and Concert Choir tied for second place at SCA. Concert Choir sang at the SCA concert that night.

"The performance was so wonderful that it brought

tears to my eyes and a huge applause from the audience," commented director Janet Payne.

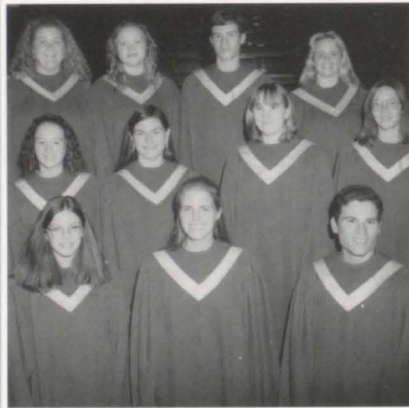
Both Concert Choir and Selectet received I ratings in Districts and several small ensembles were able to move on to the state level.

Mixed Choir did not compete, but performed at all local concerts.



CONCERT CHOIR

Row 1: Angela Splain, Adelle Barbe, Laurel Killgore, Jesse Chandler, Charles Rogers, Crystal Smith, Heather Nicks. Row 2: Jennifer Thompson, Carrie Neuroth, Lynn Hancock, Kim Blankenship, Sarah Dodge, Amy Brown, Charity Gault. Row 3: Alesha Walker, Cheryl Noble, Jarred Harrison, Andrea Rhoads, Beth Shaw, Kristen Deeds, Diana Grogan. Row 4: Jennifer McClure, Sarah Crisp, Aaron Hancock, Chris Mayberry, Daniel Hancock, Heather Todd. Row 5: Renee Hutsell, Jaime Ramsey, Tracy Shannon, Micki McCune, Karalin Hall, Tiffany Whitworth, Faith Cornelius, Janet Payne-Director.



ALL-DISTRICT CHOIR

Row 1: Cheryl Noble, Heather Todd, Daniel Hancock. Row 2: Lynn Hancock, Renee Hutsell, Laurel Killgore, Sarah Dodge. Row 3: Micki McCune, Faith Cornelius, Aaron Hancock, Tracy Shannon.

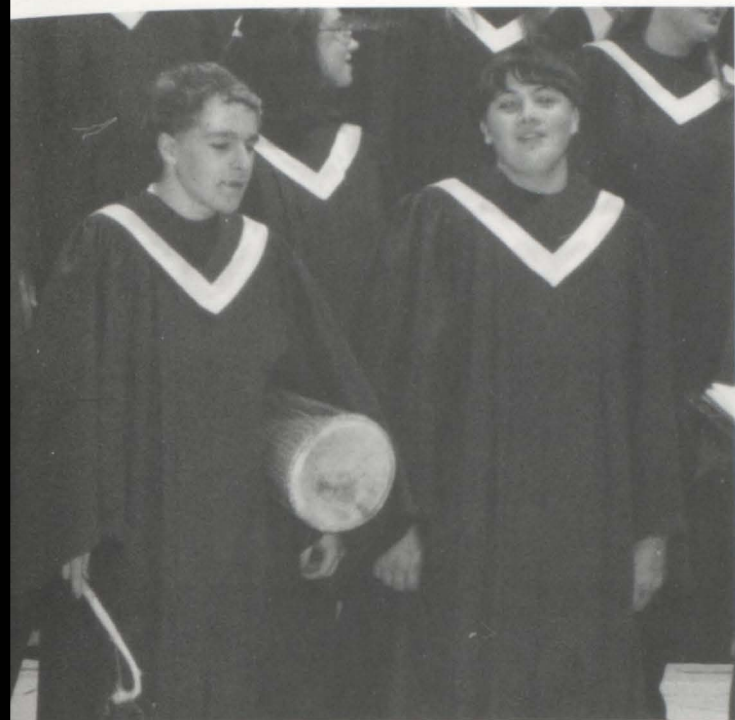


SELECTET

Row 1: Carrie Neuroth, Cheryl Noble, Angela Splain, Heather Nicks, Sarah Dodge. Row 2: Alesha Walker, Tiffany Whitworth, Sarah Crisp, Renee Hutsell, Kim Blankenship, Crystal Smith. Row 3: Micki McCune, Tracy Shannon, Lynn Hancock, Karalin Hall, Faith Cornelius, Jaime Ramsey, Laurel Killgore.

ing a little fun, sophomore Jesse
ndler, below, plays the talking
m while fellow sophomore
les Rogers looks on and sings.
o by Jerrod Stearnes

While carefully watching Mrs. Payne,
Selectet members, middle, use their
emotions to make the song entertain-
ing. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes



e Mixed Choir, above, tackles the
w challenge of singing an acapella
g. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

Honors

STATE COMPETITION

Mens Trio: Aaron Hancock, Chris
Mayberry, Daniel Hancock
Sextet: Micki McCune, Jaime Ramsey,
Tracy Shannon, Tiffany
Whitworth, Faith Cornelius, Kim
Blankenship
Trio: Micki McCune, Faith Cornelius,
Tiffany Whitworth
Trio: Alesha Walker, Jaime Ramsey,
Heather Todd
Solos: Micki McCune, Daniel Hancock
Miscellaneous : Jaime Ramsey,
Heather Todd, Alesha Walker,
Beth Shaw, Aaron Hancock

SMSU HONOR CHOIR

Soprano: Karalin Hall, Tracy Shannon
Alto: Faith Cornelius, Jill Lakey
Tenor: Jesse Chandler
Bass: Daniel Hancock, Chris Mayberry

SCA HONOR CHOIR

Soprano: Micki McCune, Jaime
Ramsey, Tracy Shannon,
Lynn Hancock, Jennifer
Thompson, Carrie Neuroth
Alto: Faith Cornelius, Karalin Hall,
Heather Todd, Jill Lakey, Amy
Brown, Tiffany Whitworth, Laurel
Killgore
Tenor: Jesse Chandler
Bass: Daniel Hancock, Chris Mayberry,
Aaron Hancock

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR:

Lynn Hancock

OUTSTANDING MUSICIAN:

Faith Cornelius

OUTSTANDING SOLOIST:

Daniel Hancock

CHORAL MERIT:

Micki McCune

Cadets Meet Schwarzkopf

by Sarah Laird & Ashley Emery

"Realistically,
learning is more than
a theory and teach-
ing is more than a
technique."

Major James Miller

JROTC

Major James Miller:
JROTC



Cadets of the month for first semester; Row 1: Marcellino Moreno, Sarah Dodge, Brandon Empie, Row 2: Rocky Hicks, Brad Randall, and Joe Kuster.

Seniors Ryan Nelson and Mandy Benthall proudly pose for a picture with General Norman Schwarzkopf at his speaking engagement at College of the Ozarks. Photo courtesy James Miller

JROTC stands for Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps. The JROTC is a program that teaches the cadets leadership skills, discipline, and self respect.

This class is not set up to make you go into the military, although it does inform you about different aspects of the military.

Once a week cadets have physical training in were they do strenuous exercise. They are also required to wear various uniforms depending on

rank and activity.

The JROTC class is similar to other classes at MGHS. Students study leadership traits, United States history and current events that are occurring around the world today.

General H. Norman Schwarzkopf visited College of the Ozarks last fall for a convocation. Many JROTC cadets attended the presentation and were given the opportunity to meet Schwarzkopf who is best known for his leadership in the

Desert Storm conflict.

JROTC also includes colorguard and drill team which carried flags during the parades and performed sword arches for special events.

JROTC classes stress that to get the most out of the program cadets should participate in numerous activities affiliated with the group.

Overall, JROTC in its third year at MGHS, has developed into an important aspect of the high school and Mountain Grove community.



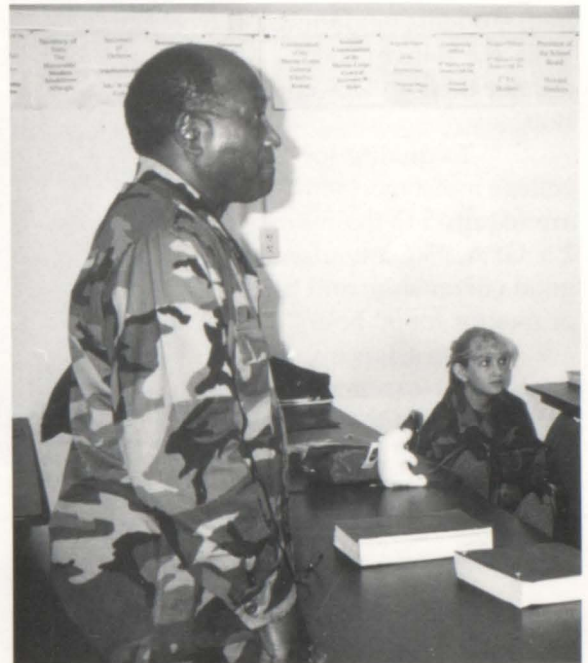
MGHS JROTC cadets proudly bear the flag above, as they march in the Houston Christmas parade. Photo courtesy James Miller

United States Marine Corps JROTC Cadets



Proudly marching in the Mountain Grove Homecoming Parade, below left, sophomore Kim Blakenship, and juniors Jared Templeton, Brandon Winfrey and Josh Merritt entertain crowds gathered to watch the parade. *Photo by Jerrod Stearnes*

Major James Miller, below, teaches one of the many JROTC classes. *Photo by Ashley Emery*



How do you feel that JROTC will affect your future?

"ROTC has taught me how to respect people and what they do. It has taught me a lot about leadership and how to apply it to life."

--senior Ryan Nelson

"ROTC teaches you how to work well with others."

--senior Laurie Smart

"It teaches you a lot of discipline."

--freshman BJ Parmenter

"ROTC teaches you respect and the ability to work hard for what you want."

--freshman Serena Allen

"ROTC builds your self confidence and makes you feel better about yourself."

--junior Jeremy Looper

"ROTC has prepared me for the future by teaching me leadership skills and how to apply my attributes to life."

--junior Brandon Winfrey

Striving for success

by Jared Doty

Operating on an eight block schedule, students at MGHS are offered a wide variety of courses to prepare them for college, trade school, or joining the work force after graduation.

Following a long standing tradition of striving for excellence, MGHS is a proud member of the A+ program. This program will help students beginning with the class of 2000 finance their college education.

To qualify for college assistance, students are required to maintain a 2.5 GPA, 95% attendance, good citizenship, and tutor or mentor for 50 hours.

The science and math departments received the majority of the A+ funds for the 1998-99 school year.

The school district

has begun the process of implementing a computer program which will enable administrators, faculty, and staff to electronically manage tasks which were previously done by hand.

"The challenge of implementing change creates frustration and anxiety for everyone. Hopefully, the end result will be a more efficient instructional program for our high school," commented principal Mike Murphy.



Dr. Ken Southard, Superintendent

Discussing their future actions, Principal Mike Murphy and Vice Principal Dan Vandiver, below, work together to solve a problem.
Photo by Brent Dugger



Mike Murphy
Principal



Dan Vandiver
Asst. Principal



R-3 Board of Education; Row 1: Fred VanBibber, Duane Duke, Tom Coats. Row 2: Kirk Pamperien, Howard Hawkins (president), Tim Watson. Not pictured Randy Gaddis.



Marcie Stump
A+ Coordinator

Bus Drivers: Tony Ipock, Bill Douglass, John McGownd, Gary Tyrrell, Lee Kuster, David Brame, Les Moore, Alan Primanzon, Jim Freeman, Rauna Benson, Alan Benson, Bill Austin, Dennis Swopes, Virginia Kennedy, Glenn Kennedy, Alice Nash, Wayne Nash, right.

Cafeteria Staff: Row 1: Pam Hyde, Susie Carroll, Dorris Nettleton, Beverly Coble. Row 2: Donna Amundson, Helen Clary Ann Freeman, Sharon Hutsell, Linda Stillwell, bottom right.



Custodial Staff: Row 1: Barb Cooper. Row 2: Bob Pamperien, Danny Kemper, Doc Johnson, far right.





Terry Azevedo, Computer Web
Libby Bowie, Counselor
Martin Bowie, PAWS
Sherri Branson, Special Education
Beverly Breedlove, English
Sharon Buffington, English
Patsy Clinkingbeard, PAWS



Shane Coffman, Detention
Solomon Cornelius, Mathematics
Jim Dickey, Band
Nancy Doty, Special Education
Ron Dunham, Physical Education
Walt Finney, Science
Marsha Forrest, Mathematics



Jeannie Horton, Science
Tom Hutchinson, Social Studies
Judy Kemper, English
Connie Killgore, English
Michelle Lindsey, Business
Troy Marnholtz, Science
Stacy Matherly, Business



James Miller, JROTC
Donna Moore, Foreign Language
Greta Myers, Counselor
Richard Nelson, Technical Director
Shannon Nelson, Business
Janet Payne, Choir
Bonnie Peterson, Science



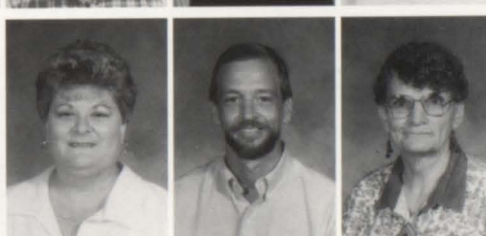
Darla Pierson, Nurse
Randy Reed, Mathematics
Kyle Roach, Social Studies, Phys Ed
Pat Robinson, Librarian
Janet Southard, Special Education
Lori Thornhill, Special Education
Les Top, English



Janet Townsend, Mathematics
Reta Tyrrell, Mathematics
Bob Vandiver, Social Studies
Shannon Wilkinson, Band
Bridget Williams, Social Studies
Brad Willingham, Art
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Tammy Rogers, Secretary
Jana Neuroth, A+ Secretary
Tanna Allen, Technology Assistant



Debbie Kramer, Teacher's Aide
James Pingston, Teacher's Aide
Ruby Rush, Office Aide

Doing his part to support the Hurricane Mitch Relief effort, Coach Martin Bowie takes a pie in the face. The Foreign Language Department, led by Donna Moore organized a whole week of activities to raise money to send to the countries devastated by Hurricane Mitch. *Photo by Jessica Peterson.*

Sharing a
bittersweet
moment seniors
Rachelle
Douglass and
Angela
Dunham hug
each other
following senior
night for girls
basketball.
Senior night
gives an
opportunity for
senior players,
as well as their
parents, to be
recognized for
their dedication.
Photo by Jessica
Peterson



Athletics

"I get to play volleyball with all of my friends and we always have a good time."

-Kayla Shannon, junior

"Sports have always been a large part of my life and it has been great to be part of the teams at MGHS. My senior year has been very memorable and I will never forget the moments I have shared with my teammates."

-Brent Dugger, senior

"My favorite moment was when Rachelle fell off the volleyball stand in practice."

-Ashley Pamperien, freshman



"Sports have given me an opportunity to escape the stress of schoolwork and relax and have fun for a couple of hours."

-Rachelle Douglass, senior

Varsity football team captains Jesse Denison, Heath Rodgers, Bo Parker, and Ronnie "Junior" Lathrom run across the football field to join their teammates for the start of the game. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Athletics at MGHS remain strong for yet another year while students learn from their experiences, develop friendships and gain pride in their school and community.

Preparing to score a touchdown, seniors #55 Heath Housley, #89 Ronnie Lathrom, #53 Jerrod Stearnes wait for the snap to be called. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*

Slipping past a Rogersville defender, senior #32 Brent Dugger looks ahead for the goal line in Panther Stadium as the Panther's nail down their only district win. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*



Senior leaders keep an up beat attitude

The End of an Era

by Brent Dugger and Jesse Denison

The Panthers came into the season with high hopes and goals of a winning season. With 15 seniors returning, 8 returning starters, the Panthers felt confident.

The Panthers opened up against defending 4A quarterfinalist, Waynesville. It was one of many tough losses for the Panthers. The difficult schedule continued with another 4A opponent, the Salem Tigers, who rolled over the Panthers and the rest of the conference to go undefeated and win the

conference.

After a big district win over Rogersville, the Panthers suffered a heart breaking loss to Ava 6-7, ending the Panther's hopes of winning a district championship.

Coach Kyle Roach had these thoughts on the Panthers in '98, "We tell the kids every week to give us their best and we'll live with the outcome. These kids left it on the field for us, the score just didn't go our way as often as we would have liked. The Panthers of '98 showed outstanding teamwork and unselfishness and displayed class."



Surging off the line, seniors #75 Bo Parker, #62 Heath Rodgers try to disrupt the tough Bulldog offense. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*



Returning an interception, senior #9 Jesse Denison, looks for his blockers as he heads down field for good yardage against the Rogersville Wildcats. Denison was named all conference first team at tight end. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*

Running away from the Liberty defense, senior #19 Jared Doty, turns the corner to the goal line. Doty made the switch from quarterback to split end for the '98 season. *Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove*



Varsity Football

Row 1: Jared Harris, Cody Knaak, Shane Blankenship, Mark Short, Brent Dugger, Eric Lueck. Row 2: Jeremy Emery, Jeremy Looper, R.J. Turnbull, Loren Eilenstine, Josh Mackey, Bobby Barnes, Brandon Shannon, Michael Thompson, Nathan Fry, Jared Doty. Row 3: Tyler Owens, Dustin Hawkins, Brett Parker, Chris Iott, Dustin Sheppard, Josh Kumpula, Dusty Lee, Dustin Cain, Grant Watson. Row 4: Peter Andersen, Rick Aspegren, Coach Joe Vandiver, Coach Coy Dalton, Coach Kyle Roach, Coach J.T. Hale, Tim Sparks, Matt Wade. Row 5: J.D. House, Chris Tinsley, Heath Rodgers, Ronnie Lathrom, Heath Jarrett, Richard McGowan, Jared Byerly. Row 6: Bo Parker, Chet Douglass, Nathan Jarrett, Jerrod Stearnes, Timmy Wyrick, Kevin Beck. Row 7: Anthony Mello, Heath Housley, Danny Bohnenkamp, Adam Shores, Jesse Denison.

Scoreboard

Varsity Football	Us	Them
Waynesville	13	26
Salem	6	33
Cabool	7	27
Liberty	20	7
West Plains	7	6
Catholic	0	34
Willow Springs	8	15
Rogersville	25	0
Ava	6	7
Houston	14	20
triple overtime		

WINS	LOSSES
3	7

Honors

Jesse Denison-
SCA 1st Team Offense
All-District Honorable
Mention Offense

Heath Rodgers-
SCA 2nd Team Defense
All-District 2nd Team
Defense

Kevin Beck-
SCA 1st Team Offense
All-District 2nd Team
Offense

Heath Housley-
SCA 2nd Team Offense

Adam Shores-
SCA 2nd Team Defense

Bo Parker-
SCA Honorable Mention
Defense

Swarming a Catholic running back, below, junior #28 Anthony Mello, junior #71 Chris Iott, sophomore #12 Peter Andersen, and a host of other Panthers punish him for getting the ball. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove

Turning the corner on the Catholic defense, right, sophomore #41 Tyler Owens looks to use his spin move to get the Panthers out of their own territory. Owens was the leading JV ball carrier. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove



Young men experience winning tradition

Gelling Panthers

by Jared Doty and Jerrod Stearnes

The JV football team is considered next year's varsity team. With a 2-2-2 record and with the help of the varsity juniors starters next year's team has a lot of promise. Coy Dalton sheltered the JV with his gigantic wing.

With trouble scheduling games, the JV team did not receive as much action as in the past.

The freshman team developed and gelled into a very fine football team. With a 5-2 record the freshman blazed their way through their season.

Under the guidance of Coach J.T. Hale the freshman team was given a taste of high school football. In years to come the tradition of Mountain Grove football will have to be carried on by these young men.

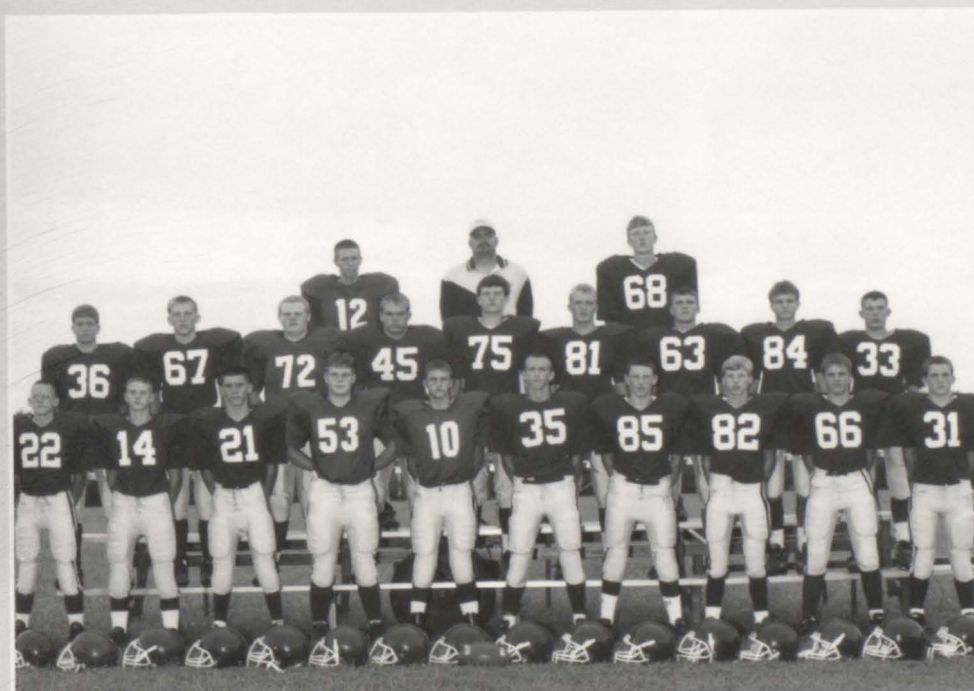


Stopping a Catholic drive, freshman #68 Travis Bradshaw on for spectacular tackle as team #63 Adam Housley and #14 Peterson swarm to the ball. courtesy Bev Breedlove



Turning the corner on a tailback sweep freshman #36 Matt Gaddis, left, scores a much needed touchdown for the Panthers. Gaddis was one of the many scoring threats that the freshman team possessed. *Photo by Carrie Stratton*

Skying upward to catch a high pass, below, freshman #12 Nathan Yarger gains a first down for the Panthers. Yarger was the primary receiver for the freshman team. *Photo by Heath Housley*



Freshmen Football

Row 1: Rocky Hicks, Jacob Peterson, Douglas Turner, Lee Jenkins, Travis Shaw, Dustin Curtis, Chance Williams, Seth Harker, Jason Roy, Matt Douglass. Row 2: Matt Gaddis, Chad Robertson, Jared Ellis, Kane Roth, Nathan Kidd, Daniel Parson, Adam Housley, Tyler Watson, Curtis Virtue. Row 3: Nathan Yarger, Coach J.T. Hale, Travis Bradshaw. (JV players included in varsity picture)

Scoreboard

Junior Varsity	Us	Them
Salem	6	20
Willow Springs	0	0 o.t.
Catholic	6	20
Houston	8	0
Cabool	0	0
West Plains	20	14

Wins	Losses	Ties
2	2	2

Freshmen	Us	Them
Salem	6	8
Willow Springs	24	0
Houston	23	0
Ava	15	0
Catholic	30	6
Cabool	28	6
West Plains	0	25

Wins	Losses
2	2

What would you like to accomplish next year?

"To win more games."

Peter Andersen, sophomore

"To win our conference and win districts."

Josh Mackey, sophomore

"To win a state championship."

Dustin Cain, sophomore

"To make it to the state championship game."

Dustin Hawkins, sophomore

"To go undefeated in the district and win it all."

Nathan Yarger, freshman

"To go undefeated."

Travis Shaw, freshman

"I would like to go undefeated and get to the playoffs."

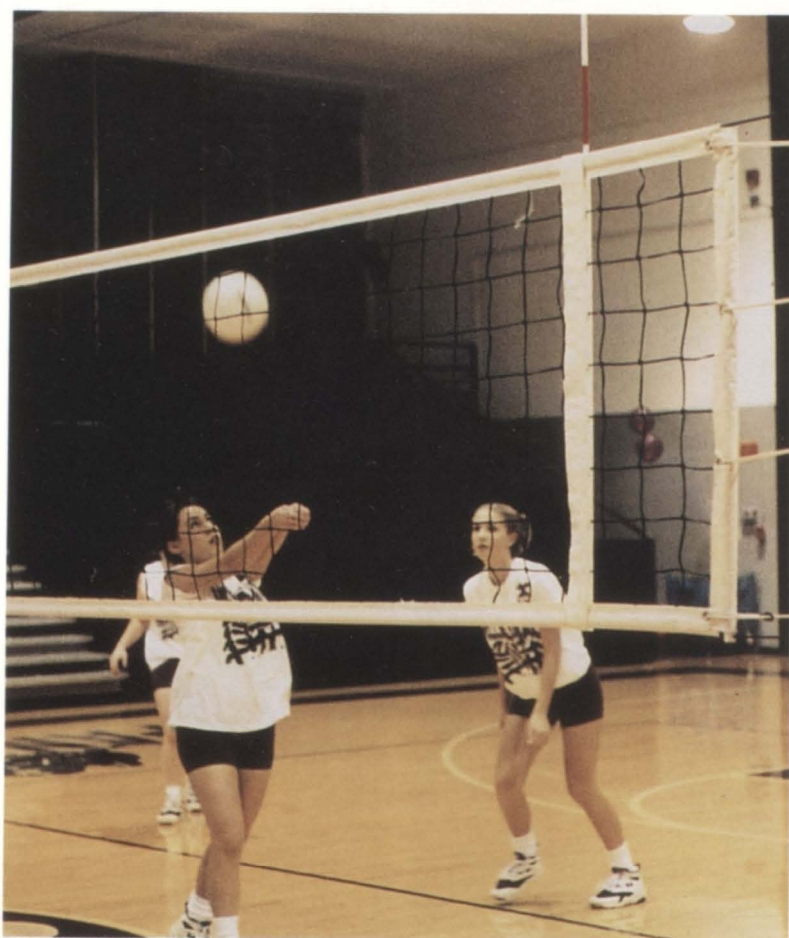
-Travis Bardshaw, freshman

"Win more games and go to the playoffs."

-Chad Robertson, freshman



Striving to make a perfect pass senior #13 Carrie Stratton, below, attempts to set up junior #26 Kayla Shannon for a kill. Stratton was the team's only setter during half of the season. *Photo by Penny Carmon*



Reaching high senior #12 Rachelle Douglass, right, attempts to block the ball back into her opponent's face while junior #26 Kayla Shannon gets down for a possible dig. *Photo by Angela Dunham*



Injuries and illness plague varsity squad

Volley Girls

by Carrie Stratton and Rachelle Douglass

The 1998 volleyball team began the season facing some of the toughest teams that they would see all year. Besides the very difficult schedule, the team faced further obstacles with injuries and illness.

Just prior to the first game junior Beth Shaw was taken to the hospital for an emergency appendectomy. Later in the season the team lost co-captain senior Angela

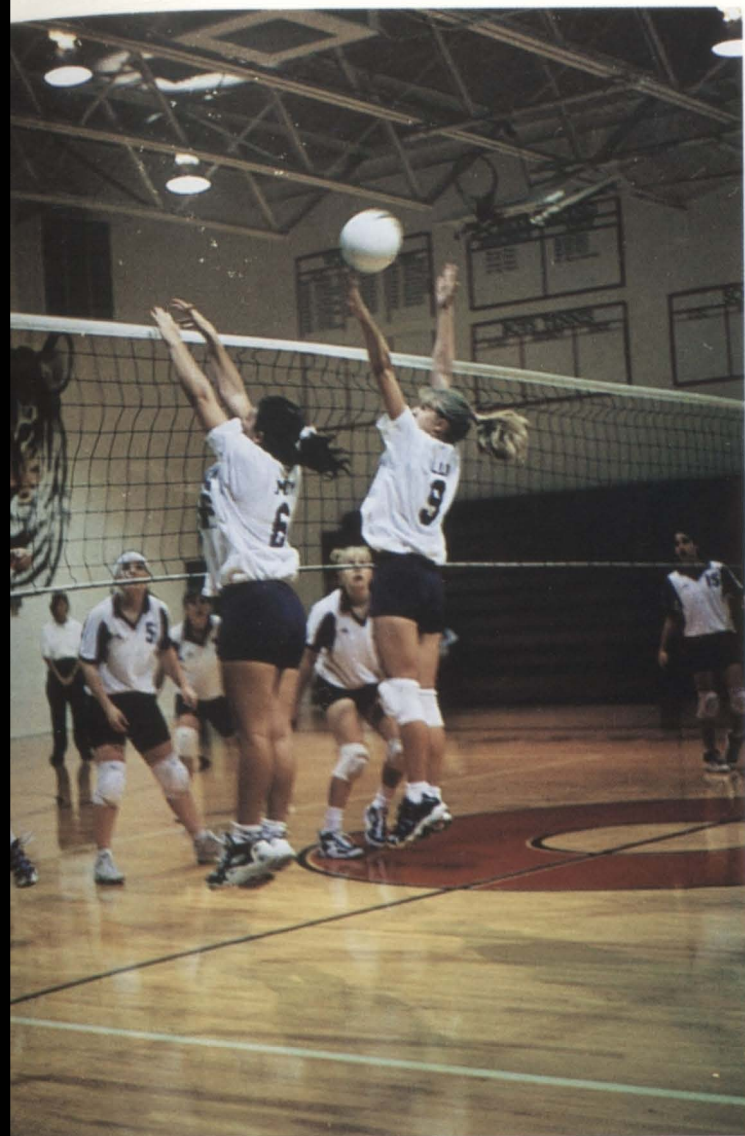
Dunham due to a car accident. Finally co-captain senior Carrie Stratton was injured just before the Rogersville Tournament.

"The season ended up 8-21. If you saw the girls play Rogersville earlier and then in districts you would know that these girls worked hard and accomplished a lot," stated Coach Tricia Smith.

Losing to Rogersville 2-15, 5-15 early in the year, the team was not as easily defeated in districts, as the final score was 10-15, 15-12, 12-15.



Focusing on the task ahead the above, discuss their strategy for game at hand. The girls stressed togetherness this year. *Photo by Bev Breedlove*



Jumping up in hopes of a block juniors #9 Stacey Allen and #6 Ashley Emery, left, reach above the net for the ball. The lack of height posed a challenge for the girls throughout the season. *Photo by Angela Dunham*

Anticipating the approaching serve senior #11 Angela Dunham, below, gets into ready position so she can make a perfect pass to the setter. *Photo by Brent Dugger*



Varsity Volleyball

Row 1: Carrie Stratton, Jamie Raney. Row 2: Ashley Emery, Brenda Good, Rachelle Douglass. Row 3: Coach Tricia Smith, Stacey Allen, Kayla Shannon, Heather Linton, Beth Shaw, Coach Troy Marnholtz. Not pictured: Angela Dunham

Scoreboard

Varsity Volleyball

Fordland	15-4	15-11
Rogersville	2-15	5-15
Licking	3-15	8-15
Nixa	0-15	2-15

Willard Tournament

Branson	6-15	6-15
Willard	9-15	2-15
Buffalo	7-15	2-15
Monett	9-15	12-15
Seymour	15-0	15-11
Plato	15-4	16-14
West Plains	11-15	6-15
Willow Springs	4-15	4-15
Ava	15-11	12-15
Mansfield	15-2	15-0
Cabool	12-15	2-15
Thayer	15-9	15-7

Rogersville Tournament:

Parkview	2-15	3-15
Rogersville	5-15	7-15
Glendale	8-15	9-15

Licking Tournament:

Eminence	6-15	14-16
Viburnum	15-3	15-12
Houston	7-15	4-15
Liberty	15-9	16-14
Winona	12-15	1-15
Salem	6-15	7-15
Houston	13-15	5-15
Hillcrest	15-10	9-15
Liberty	10-15	15-6

Districts:

Rogersville	10-15	15-12	12-15
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Wins	Losses
8	21

Honors

Carrie Stratton-

All District 1st Team
SCA 2nd Team
Team MVP

Rachelle Douglass-

SCA Honorable Mention
Top Serving Percentage
Panther Award

Angela Dunham-

SCA Honorable Mention
Best Offensive Player

Stacey Allen-

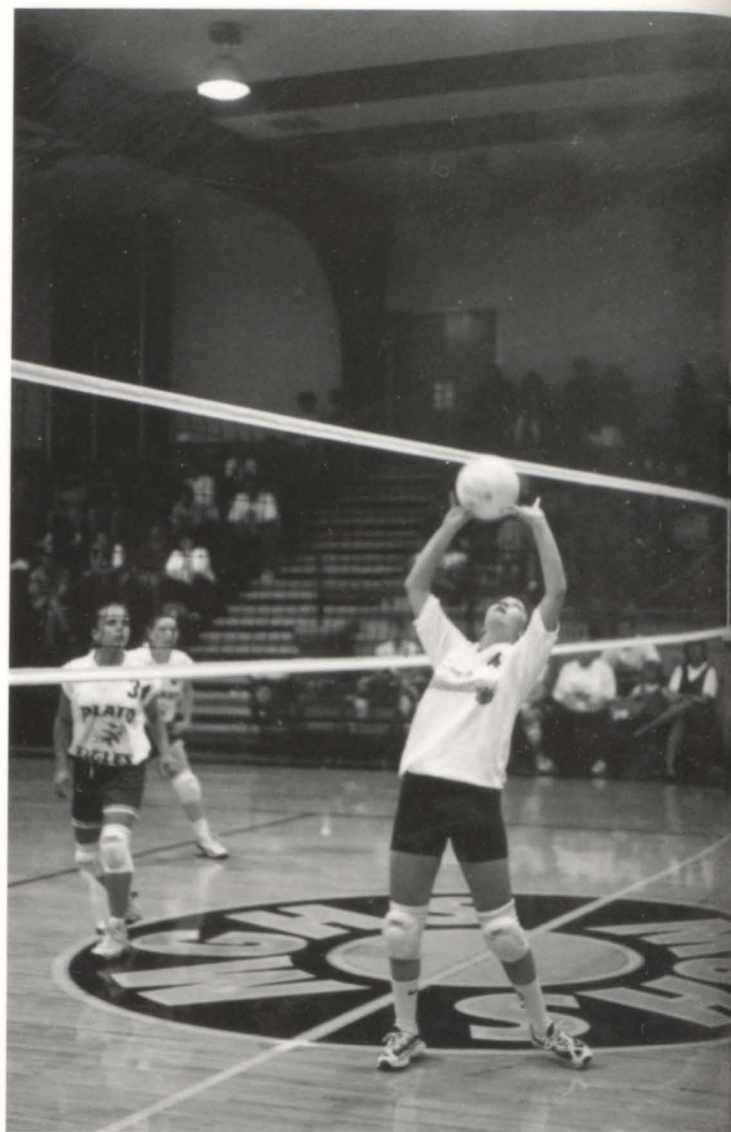
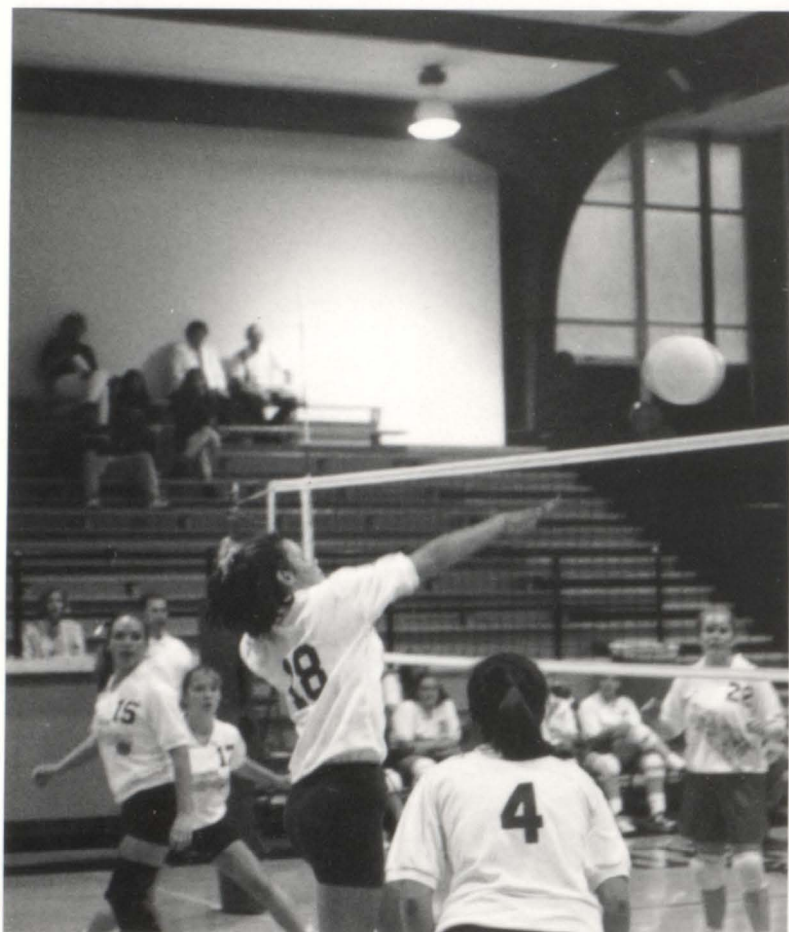
Best Defensive Player

Kayla Shannon-

Top Blocker

While her teammates get prepared for the return, sophomore #13 Tana Blanton, below, hits the ball over the net. Photo by Penny Carmon

In order to get a good hit for the Lady Panthers, freshman #4 Lisa Thompson, right, sets the ball. Photo by Brent Dugger



Junior Varsity girls adjust to new coaches

JV makes strides

by Ashley Emery and Sarah Laird

Once again the volleyball season started off with two new coaches. First year head Coach Tricia Smith was assisted by Troy Marnholtz, who was coaching volleyball for the first time..

Marnholtz commented, "This year was a growing year, the girls worked hard and the JV will be a lot better next year."

Even though a few of the JV players will move up

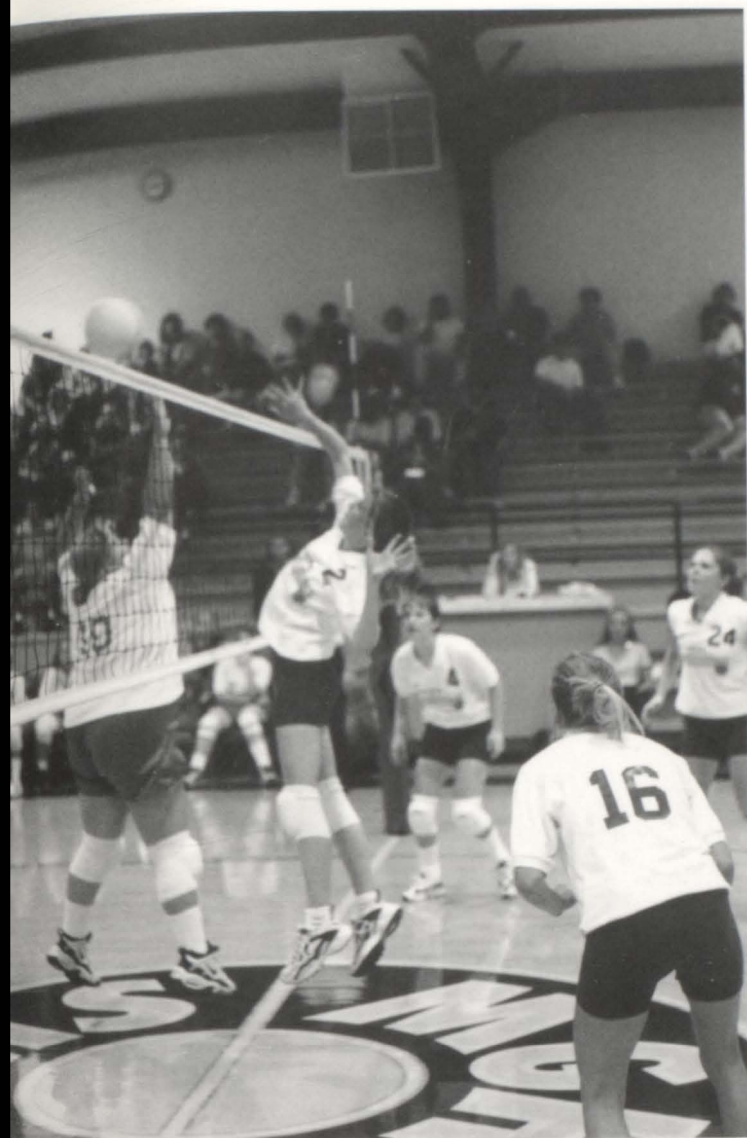
to varsity next year those remaining on JV will be able to step up and fill the positions and give the Panthers a good season.

Although the season started off with a loss to Rogersville, the team made many improvements and kept working hard throughout the season pulling off a few wins.

"Many of the players made a lot of improvement and next year they should be good if they continue to practice hard and stay as focused as they did this year," said Coach Tricia Smith.



Sophomore #31 Jaime Rogers, also prepares for serve receive. Photo by Brent Dugger



In order to get a sideout for the JV Lady Panthers, freshman #7 Amy Pope, left, attempts to get a kill. Photo by Brent Dugger

Sophomore #16 Jaime Peterson, below, seves the ball over the net for yet another point. Photo by Brent Dugger



JV Volleyball

Row 1: Leah Gaddis, Lisa Thompson, Tana Blanton, Amy Pope. Row 2: Ashley Pamperien, Jaime Peterson, Errin Housley. Row 3: Coach Tricia Smith, Jayme Collins, Brynn Benthall, Shawna Thompson, Megan Stallcup, Coach Troy Marnholtz. Row 4: Stephanie Tinsley, Jaime Rogers

Scoreboard

Junior Varisty

Rogersville	4-15	0-15
Licking	0-15	14-16
Seymour	15-3	15-2
West Plains	8-15	6-15
Willow Springs	11-15	5-15
Cabool	7-15	11-15
Houston	1-15	13-15
Fordland	4-15	15-0 3-15
Nixa	2-15	3-15
Plato	15-3	15-4
Ava	10-15	10-15
Mansfield	15-0	15-1
Thayer	15-3	15-8
Salem	11-15	7-15
Hillcrest	2-15	0-15

West Plains Tournament

Liberty	15-10	15-8
Willow Springs	3-15	12-15
West Plains	15-2	11-15
Houston	7-15	0-15

Wins

6

Losses

13

Do you feel that the volleyball program would be stronger if you didn't have a new coach every year?

"I think it would because we have had a new coach every year and it doesn't give the players time to adjust."

-Tana Blanton, sophomore

"I think it would be better to keep the same coach for next year because we need to be able to know the coach just as much as she knows us. This takes more than one season to take place."

-Jaime Rogers, sophomore

What do you expect next season to be like?

"I hope we get better and I think that we will because we have worked together for a year. Now we will be able to put our skills and heads together."

-Lisa Thompson, freshman

"I think we'll get better because we learned how to play at the high school level. Now we also know what coach Smith expects from us."

-Amy Pope, freshman

The girls Cross Country team, below proudly hold their district plaque. They placed second which qualified them to compete as a team at the state level in Jefferson City. Photo courtesy Jack Holland.

Leading the way junior Jonny Bell, right, picks up speed at the Southwest Missouri State University meet. Jonny was one of three boys who qualified to run at the state meet. Photo courtesy Jack Holland



Young team earns respect among opponents

Running tough

By Angela Dunhum and Tara Shaw

The 1998 Cross Country teams had much success this season.

With only two seniors, the underclassmen had to step up and assume very important roles.

Freshman Samantha Zid commented, "It was a fun, yet challenging experience."

Although the team went through many illnesses and injuries, all of the six girls

and three of the six boys qualified and participated in state competition at Jefferson City.

"I'm glad I got a chance to compete at state even though I was really sick. It was really neat to get to run as a team," said junior Heather Todd.

With a strong showing of the underclassman, the outlook for next year's team looks good. They will be stronger, and hopefully more successful.



Running side by side senior Ju Kuster and junior Becca Holee, also work to get a good time in Mansfield meet. Photo courtesy Jack Holland



Keeping her pace, freshman Samantha Zid, left, rounds the last corner at the Willow Springs meet. Photo courtesy Jack Holland

Staying focused on the finish line, senior Shawn Clements, below, refuses to slow down. Photo courtesy Jack Holland



Row 1: Samantha Zid, Rebeca Doroscan Row 2: Michelle Zid, Heather Todd, Becca Holee, Julia Kuster Row 3: Brian Azevedo, Gary Shaw, Simon Doroscan, Jonny Bell, Shawn Clements, Sam Goin

Scoreboard

Girls Team

Willow Springs	4th
West Plains	4th
Plato	4th
Mansfield	4th
SMSU	8th
Springfield Catholic	-
Mansfield Invitational	3rd
Districts	2nd

Boys Team

Willow Springs	4th
West Plains	6th
Plato	1st
Mansfield	1st
SMSU	9th
Springfield Catholic	3rd
Mansfield Invitational	4th
Districts	3rd

Honors

Girls team -
State Qualifiers

Shawn Clements -
State Qualifier
All District Honorable
Mention

Jonny Bell -
State Qualifier
All District Honorable
Mention

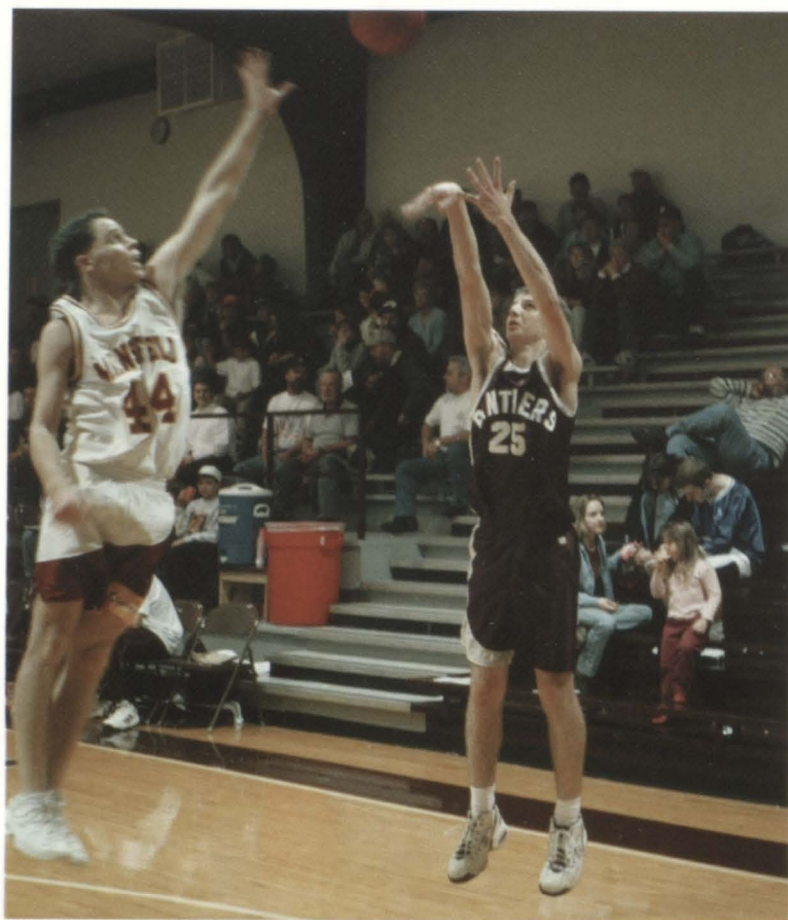
Sam Zid -
2nd team All District

Julia Kuster -
All District Honorable
Mention

Sam Goin -
2nd team All District

Showing his stuff, sophomore #25 Michael Holycross, below, adds to his team leading 3 point percentage. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

Taking yet another shot from downtown, senior #44 Jacob Scott, right, adds to his team-leading point totals. A definite teamleader Jacob made All SCA First Team. *Photo by Brent Dugger*



Panthers lack maturity, experience

Taking to the court

by Brent Dugger

The basketball Panthers came into the season with only three seniors, no juniors, and only two returning starters. Panther fans did not have high expectations for this group of Panthers.

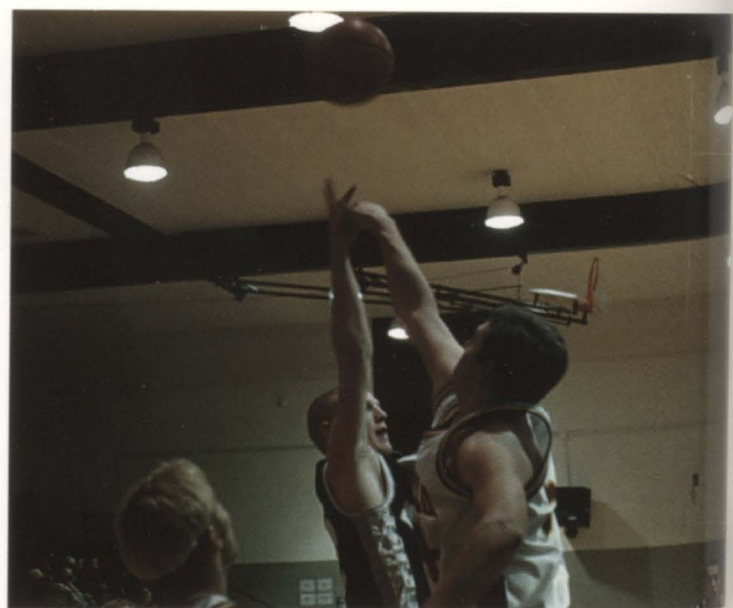
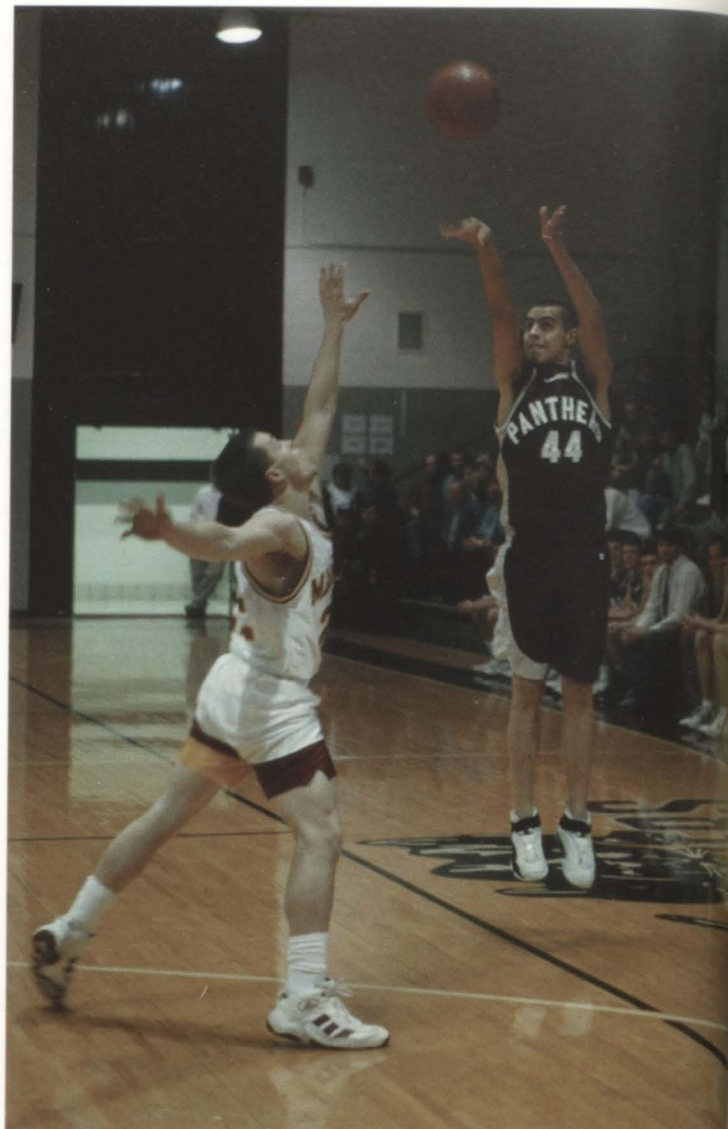
Three sophomores started along with the two seniors. Experience and maturity was definitely lacking at the beginning of the season.

The Panthers came out with a strong showing against the Gainesville Bulldogs, giving for

Panther fans a little hope for a successful season. However, wins were a hard thing to come by for the rest of the season and the final record only showed five wins.

"The shortage of wins made the season very long. All in all we had a good time playing the great game of basketball," commented senior Jared Doty.

"These kids showed a lot of character this season. They didn't have a lot of talent, but kept working hard



and improving throughout the year," commented Coach Mike Mallow.

Taking a tough shot over a defense, sophomore #40 Chet Douglass, also plays with the big boys. *Photo by Brent Dugger*



Taking it to the hole, senior #11 Jared Doty, left, splits the defenders from Ava as he goes up strong for two points. Doty was named to the SCA Honorable Mention team and led the team in assists. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

Going up strong, sophomore #10 Brett Parker, below, shows his raw power down low underneath the boards. *Photo by Brent Dugger*



Scoreboard

	Us	Them
Gainesville	69	50
Houston Tournament		
Liberty	37	91
Salem	43	65
Houston	41	29
Hartville	52	79
Fordland	43	70
Plato	34	65
Mansfield	55	52
Ozark	40	69
Willow	57	69
Ava	46	68
Norwood	42	63
West Plains	53	69
Panther Classic		
Cabool	51	55
Bakersfield	40	72
Mansfield	65	50
Cabool	43	52
Thayer	38	67
Salem	60	57
Catholic	44	64
Houston	66	87
Liberty	40	60
District Tournament		
Houston	56	79

Wins	Losses
5	18

Honors

Jacob Scott-
1st Team All Conference
Most Points Scored
Most Three Point Shots
Most Free Throws
Most Rebounds
Most Steals

Jared Doty-
All Conference
Honorable Mention
Most Assists

Chet Douglass-
Best Field Goal
Percentage

Michael Holycross-
Best Three Point
Percentage

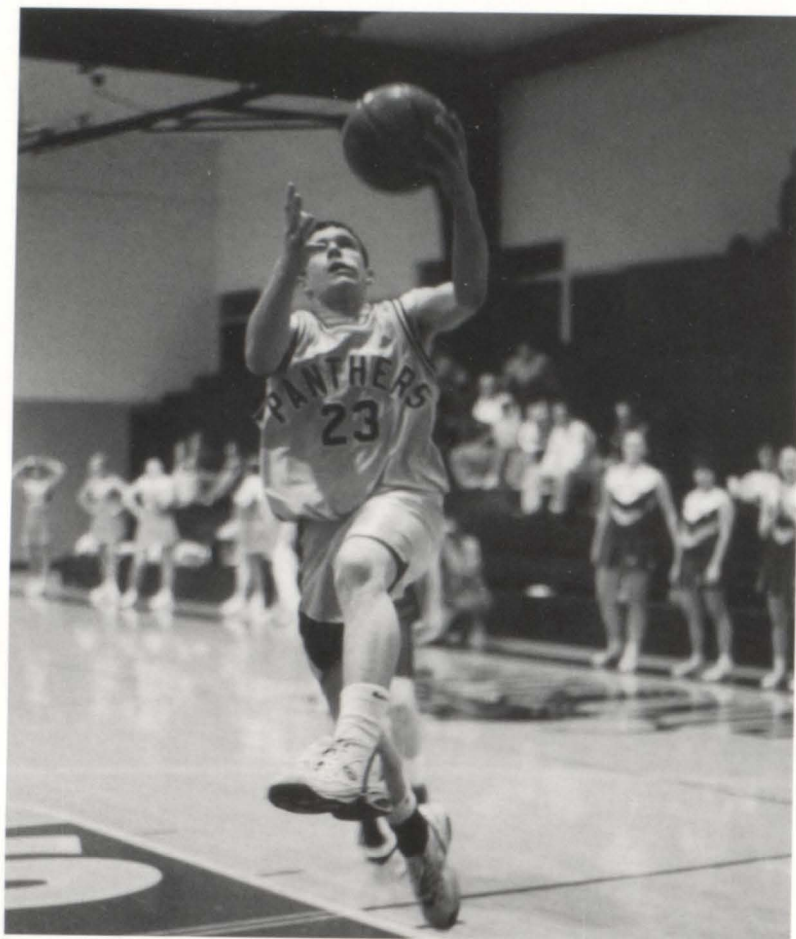


Varsity, J.V., Freshmen Basketball

Row 1: Brett Parker, Matt Gaddis, Curtis Virtue, Jacob Peterson, Benjie Poe, Dustin Cain. Row 2: Coach Jon Pilcher, Michael Holycross, Nathan Yarger, Daniel Parsons, Travis Bradshaw, Tyler Watson, Chet Douglass, Chris Jorgenson, Coach Mike Mallow. Row 3: Jared Doty, Jacob Scott, Andrew Dale, Manager Tyler Hensley.

Going up strong, freshman #23 Curtis Virtue, below, lays in two after a steal during the contest with Salem. The Panthers won the game by two points. Photo by Brent Dugger

Using good form, sophomore #21 Benjie Poe, right, attempts a long range bomb to add three points during a JV game against the Ava Bears. Photo by Brent Dugger



Victories hard to come by for young team

Young Guns

By Brent Dugger

The junior varsity and freshman basketball teams experienced much of the same woes as the varsity team.

The junior varsity was forced to play many freshmen due to the fact that most of the sophomores were playing varsity. Their youth and inexperience showed throughout the season as they finished with a 4-11 record.

The freshman team was forced to play with only six players most of the time, because many of the sophomores and freshmen were playing on the varsity team. The freshman team ended with only one win against nine losses.

"I was proud of the freshmen that I got to work with. They kept improving as the season progressed," said Coach Kyle Roach.

On the positive side, with so many underclassmen playing on the varsity and



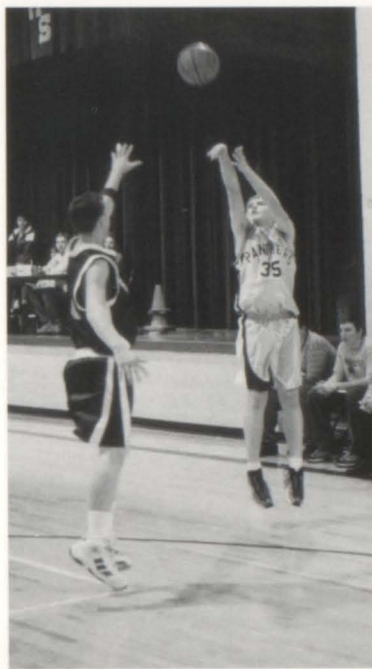
junior varsity squads, many gained valuable experience that will hopefully make for a strong basketball program at MGHS in the near future.

Driving to the basket, above freshman #40 Chad Robertson tries to help his team in a freshman game against Willow Springs. Photo by Brent Dugger



Battling hard to go to the baseline, sophomore #20 Dustin Cain, left, uses his footwork to blaze by a Salem defender. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

From way downtown, freshman #35 Daniel Parsons, below, tries to keep his team in the ballgame. *Photo by Brent Dugger*



Using good form, above, freshman #30 Matt Gaddis, hits from long range. *Photo by Brent Dugger*



Setting up for a jump shot, above, freshman #14 Jacob Peterson, uses his playing time effectively. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

Scoreboard

Junior Varsity

	Us	Them
Gainesville	41	55
Hartville	31	68
Fordland	39	43
West Plains Tourney		
Mtn. Home	52	66
Plato	45	54
Mansfield	43	39
Willow	33	41
Ava	32	55
Norwood	66	43
West Plains	48	68
Thayer	33	49
Salem	66	64
Catholic	41	38
Houston	51	66
Liberty	42	61

Wins	Losses
4	11

Freshman

	Us	Them
West Plains Tourney		
Liberty	47	61
West Plains	26	74
Mansfield	45	37
Ava	30	35
Salem	22	52
Willow Tournament		
Willow	24	47
Thayer	16	49
West Plains	39	68
Cabool	30	37
Willow	29	42
Gainesville	41	55

Wins	Losses
1	9

What did you gain from this year that will help you next season?

I feel that I gained in a lot of areas, including my ball control and defense. -Dustin Cain

I feel that my shooting range increased and my knowledge of the defensive scheme increased. -Peter Andersen

All the fundamentals of basketball and I think my shooting improved greatly. -Matt Gaddis

Battling between two defensive players, below, senior Angela Dunham #50 makes her way to the basket to score. Angela missed early season games due to injuries she suffered in a car accident, but came back to lead the team in assists. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

Pulling up for a short jump, right, senior Penny Carmon #23 skies over the opponent to add two points to the Panther's lead. Penny, a four year starter for the Lady Panthers earned First Team All Conference honors. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes



Girl's battle for winning season

Lady Hoopsters

by Angela Dunham

Pre-season expectations for the Lady Panthers were high considering they had six lettermen returning and a new coach. The ladies had to battle many injuries and illnesses which cut the bench depth, but they fought through it and had a successful season.

Sophomore Beth Shaw commented, "It seemed as if every time one player would get over their injury, another

would go down, but the season continued and so did the wins."

The girls finished third in the Mansfield Tournament and fifth in the Rogersville Tournament. They fell to Houston in the District Tournament in double overtime by one point ending the season at 12-13.

Not only did the ladies improve their record, they improved team play as well.

"I thought we all played together as a team more than the previous years. We



accomplished many goals and I am looking forward to next year," said junior Stacey Allen.

Driving around the opponent, above, senior Rachelle Douglass #22 moves toward the basket. Photo by Stacey Allen



Taking a shot, right, junior Stacey Allen #32 shoots over her Rogersville opponent for two points as the Panthers squeaked past Rogersville in a one point game. Stacey received the coveted Lady Panther Award at the post-season banquet. Photo by Brent Dugger

Just inches over the three point line, below, junior Tracy Todd #33 shoots for two. Photo by Brent Dugger



Scoreboard

	Us	Them
West Plains	15	56
Mansfield	87	57
Gainsville	59	49
Nixa	45	74
Catholic	45	56
Mansfield Tourney		
Norwood	50	48
West Plains	23	58
Lebanon	42	38
Ava	52	59
Cabool	53	25
Plato	56	36
MG Tourney		
Cabool	42	26
Willow	35	55
Houston	35	30
Rogersville Tourney		
Buffalo	36	49
Marshfield	39	62
Rogersville	55	51
Thayer	56	36
Salem	50	53
Willow	32	47
Houston	38	49
Hartville	39	54
Rogersville	57	56
Liberty	72	49
District Tourney		
Houston	54	55

Wins	Losses
12	13

Honors

Penny Carmon-
1st Team All Conference
Most Steals
Most Rebounds
Scoring Leader
3 point Leader
FT % Leader
Most Blocks
Angela Dunham-
2nd Team All Conference
Most Assists
Best Defensive Player
Rachelle Douglass-
Coach's Award
Brenda Good-
Coach's Award
Samantha Dennis-
Most Improved
Stacey Allen-
Honorable Mention All
Conference
Lady Panther Award

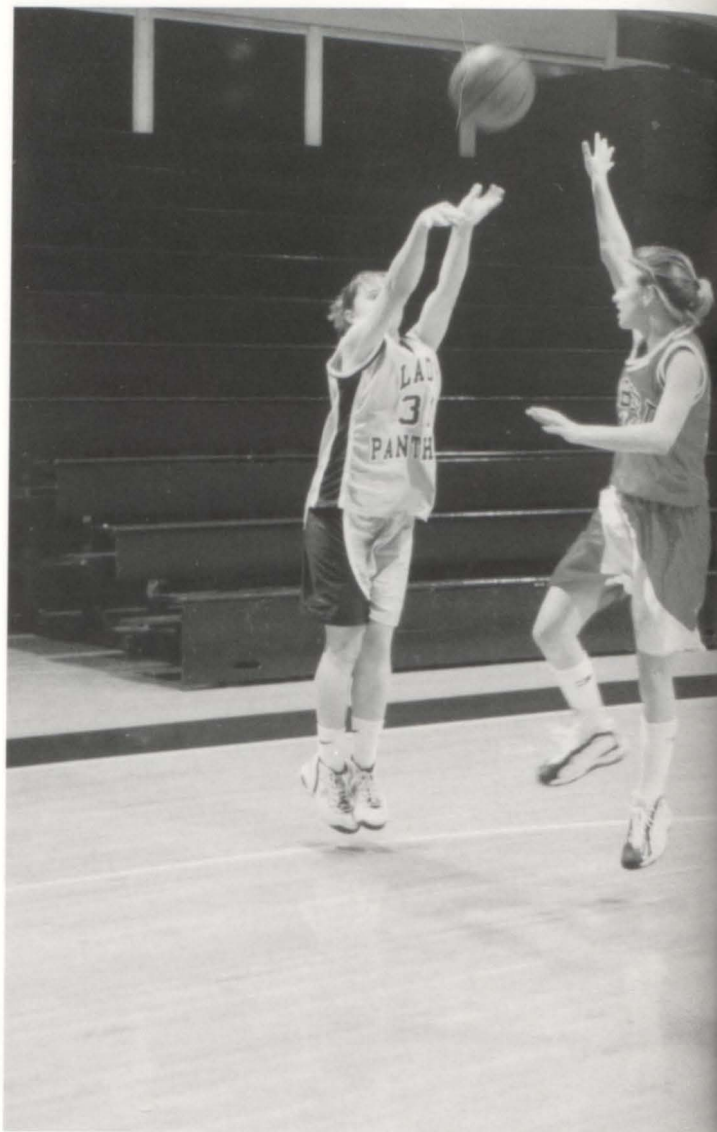
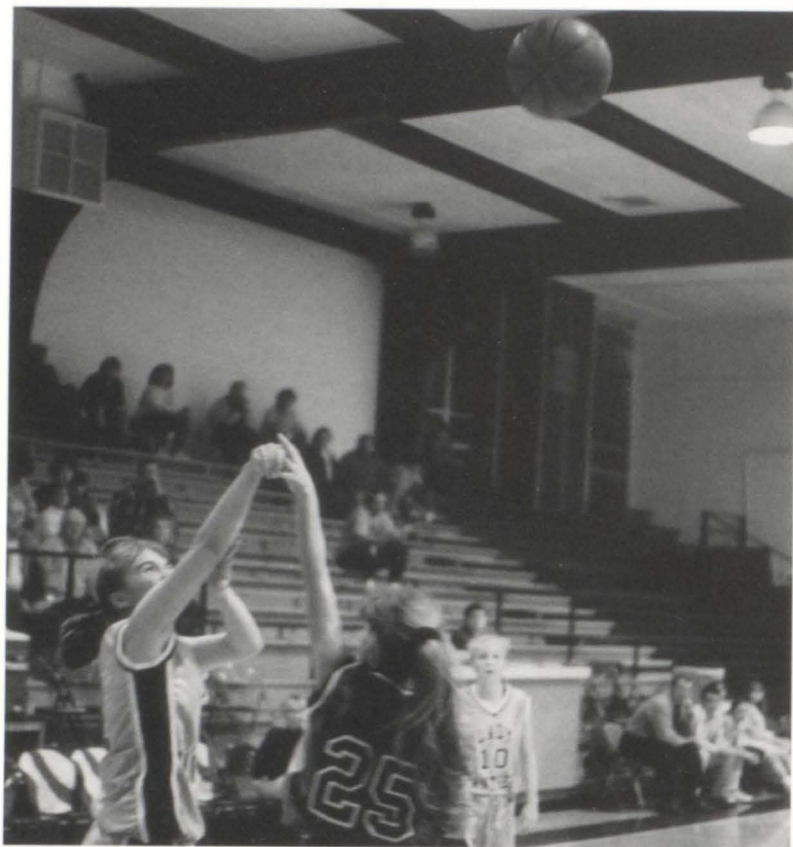


Varsity Girls Basketball

Coach Solomon Cornelius, Manager Heidi Sonnenschein, Samantha Dennis, Brenda Good, April Shaw, Angela Dunham, Penny Carmon, Rachelle Douglass, Stacey Allen, Beth Shaw, Tracy Todd, and Coach Ron Dunham

Attempting a three pointer, right, freshman Ashley Pamperien #31 shoots over the Liberty defender in Panther Gym. The Panthers won the game 36-17. Photo by Brent Dugger

Shooting over her Thayer Bobcat defender, sophomore Becca Holee # 11, below, scores two for the Panthers as they were defeated in a two point game on their home floor. Photo by Ashley Emery



Young Panthers work hard, gain experience

Lady Roundballers

by Rachelle Douglass

Starting out as a freshman is a hard transition for an athlete, especially when they have to learn a completely new system of playing. The junior varsity was composed of six freshmen and one sophomore.

The season started out well for the girls as they won four of their first seven games. As the year progressed, the skills of the girls improved and that improvement showed on the court, although it was not always reflected on the scoreboard.

"Even though we didn't win many games, I felt the girls came a long way. They really gained ground and made progress toward knowing how to play and not just learning the plays," Coach Dunham commented about the girls.

Through working together and communicating well, they were able to overcome many adversities and make the season a fun, learning experience. The young ladies ended the season with a 9-13 record

"The girls kept positive attitudes in the face of much



adversity. They continued to show up and work hard even though they often don't get the recognition the varsity does," Coach Solomon Cornelius added.

The junior varsity team listens intently, above, as the coaches draw the play during a time-out. Photo by Sarah Laird



Going in for the lay-up freshman Samantha Zid # 10, left, lets her determination show on her face as she scores against the Mansfield Lions. Zid was in double figures in the Panther victory. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

Looking for an open teammate freshman Stephanie Tinsley # 21, below, attempts to move the ball against the Liberty Eagles. *Photo by Brent Dugger*



Scoreboard

	Us	Them
West Plains	20	50
West Plains Tourney		
Mansfield	54	27
Ava	30	20
West Plains	27	37
Gainesville	35	33
Nixa	39	38
Catholic	24	38
Lebanon Tourney		
Waynesville	22	55
Norwood	27	45
Mansfield	41	17
Ava	24	38
Cabool	29	26
Plato	40	38
M.G. Tourney		
Cabool	29	26
Willow	25	27
Houston	25	36
Thayer	22	24
Salem	24	26
Willow	15	32
Houston	22	35
Rogersville	29	44
Liberty	36	17

Wins	Losses
9	13

What did you gain from this season that will help you to become a better player?

The hardest things to compete against are the minds of you and your own teammates.
-Becca Holee

Self confidence is a must. If you don't believe in yourself, you will not succeed.
-Jayme Collins

The thing that I gained from this season would be my basketball skills have improved and I got praise only when I worked for it.
-Heather Morris

I realized that you can't always count on just one individual.
-Samantha Zid



Junior Varsity Girls Basketball Team

Row 1: Becca Holee, Heather Morris, Samantha Zid, Stephanie Tinsley. Row 2: Coach Solomon Cornelius, Jayme Collins, Ashley Pamperien, and Coach Ron Dunham.

Stunting at a pep assembly, football cheerleaders perform, right. Photo by Angela Dunham



Varsity Football Cheerleaders:

Row 1: Holly Bell, Jennifer Thompson, Lisa Leggins Row 2: Cindy Curran, Crystal Smith Row 3: Stephanie Rich, Lane Baldwin, and Ann Kaps

Cheerleader build school spirit

Leaders of spirit

By Ashley Emery & Sarah Laird

With several girls returning from last year's squad and a new coach, the season started out good for the cheerleaders.

"At first I thought, me, a cheerleader--no way! But after I started it I had a blast! We tried to represent and support our teams well," said junior Lane Baldwin.

The cheerleaders once again worked with Spirit Club to provide exciting pep assemblies and more school spirit. At the pep assemblies the cheerleaders performed dances, stunts, and led cheers. Win or lose, they put forth effort to support all Panther teams.

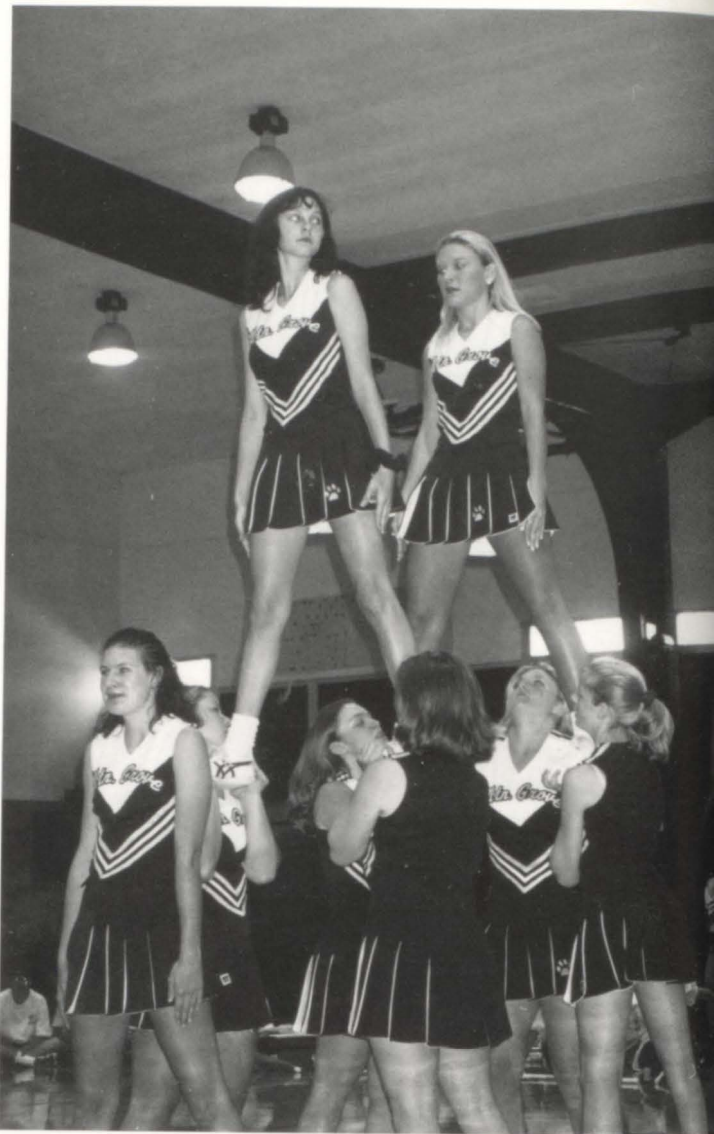
To be able to provide the support and spirit that they did, they had to practice daily.

Freshman Holly Fry said, "It's fun to be a cheerleader, but it takes a lot of hard work and dedication."

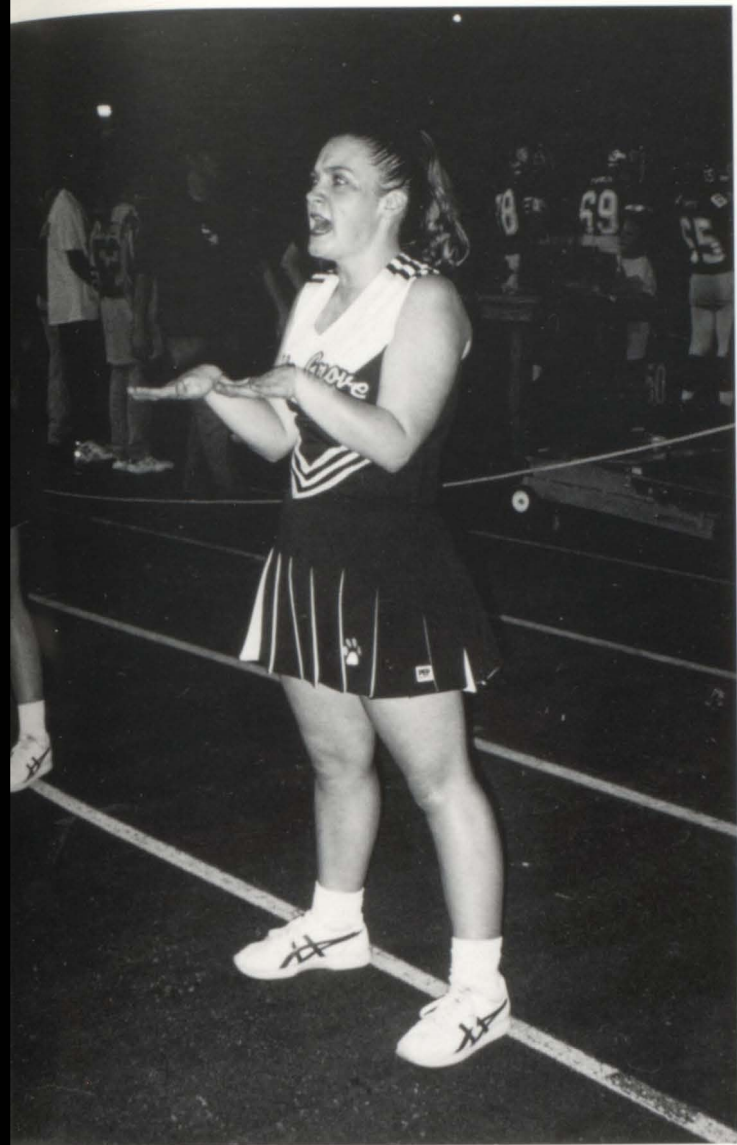
This year's squad had the dedication necessary to make cheerleading a more popular extra-curricular activity.

Junior Cindy Curran and sophomore Holly Bell both said that cheering was a blast and that they are looking forward to next season.

Curran said, "With the increased interest in cheering we should have a bigger and better squad next year."



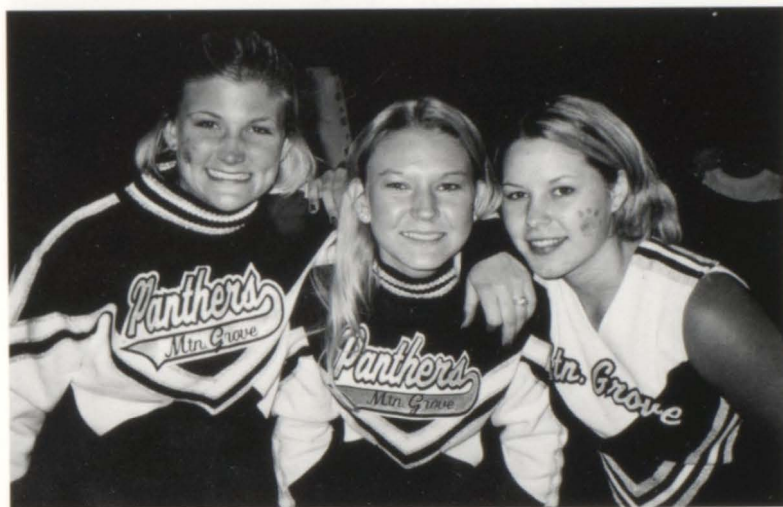
Showing the athletic ability that cheerleading requires, seniors Rachel Homer and Clarice Kluey cheer for home team during football season. Photo by Rachel Douglass



Leading a cheer, far left, sophomore Holly Bell encourages the crowd to "Y-E-L-L" in Panther Stadium. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

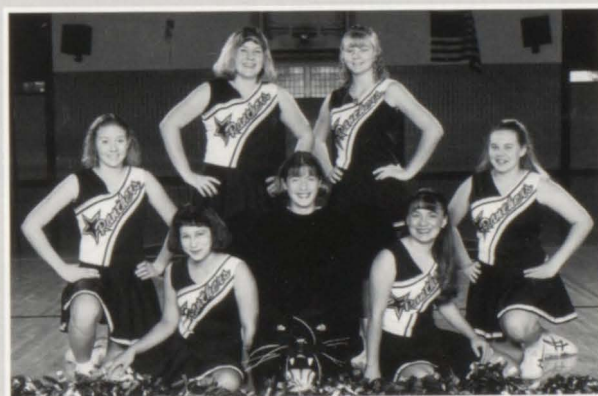
In an effort to get the crowd going Smokey the Panther, aka freshman Carla Hicks, left, marches up and down the sideline at a home football game. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Forming lasting friendships is an important part of cheering together. Taking a moment to smile for the camera, junior Lane Baldwin, senior Rachel Homer, and junior Cindy Curran, below, prove they enjoy their jobs as spirit builders. Photo by Angela Dunham



Basketball Cheerleaders

Row 1: Shawna Kennedy, Holly Fry Row 2: Misty Nungesser, Crystal Smith, Keysha Kelley Row 3: Misti Gourley, Carla Hicks Row 4: Heather Nicks, Trisha Scrimshire



Junior Varsity Football Cheerleaders:

Row 1: Heather Nicks, Shawna Kennedy Row 2: Holly Fry, Carla Hicks, Misty Nungesser Row 3: Keysha Kelley, and Trisha Nungesser

Laying off a high pitch senior #24 Heath Housley, looks to drive in another run at Maberry Field. Housley shared the batting title and was the leader of this ball club. *Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove*



In full stride, senior #18 Brent Dugger, picks up the signal as he looks to score a run. Dugger batted in the lead off position and lead the team in runs scored and stolen bases. *Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove*



One title, another great record

Diamond boys

By Brent Dugger

The 1999 Panther baseball team came in to the season with very high hopes and expectations. It was not only the five seniors' last year at MGHS, coach Jim Breedlove was throwing in the hat as well, retiring after 32 years.

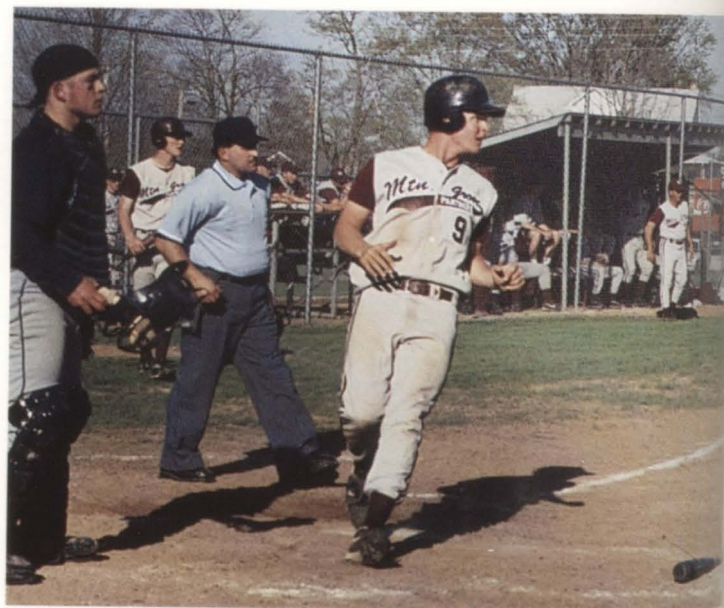
The Panthers could feel all of the pressures of it being Breedlove's last year. Those pressures were evident at the beginning of the season.

The Panthers opened up with a tough conference

schedule. The schedule lead off with West Plains, who defeated the Panthers by one run in extra innings. The Zizzers went on to win the conference, while the Panthers finished second.

One major highlight of the season was the seven run seventh inning comeback against Houston for the championship of the Mtn. Grove Tourney.

The Panthers went in to District play with the third seed. A first round loss to Rogersville ended their hopes of a district



championship.

The Panthers ended with an impressive 15-4 record, to give Breedlove his 22 consecutive winning season. at the helm of the Panthers.

Adding another run to the score, senior #9 Jesse Denison, looks to see how the other runners are doing. Denison had the best fielding average on the team. *Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove*



Coming set, senior #17 Jared Doty, keeps an eye on the runner at first before making his pitch. Doty recieved the best pitcher award along with a share of the batting title. *Photo Courtesy Bev Breedlove*

Waiting on the pitch, senior #12 Jerrod Stearnes, prepares himself for the chance to show his steady outfield skills. *Photo courtesy Melanie Breedlove*



Varsity Baseball Team:

Row 1: Chase Rogers, Brent Dugger, Jared Doty, Randy Sparks, Matt Jones. Row 2: Jerrod Stearnes, Chris Arquette, Ray Sutton, Benjie Poe, Brett Parker. Row 3: Coach Jim Breedlove, Heath Housley, Kevin Beck, Chet Douglass, Jesse Denison, Peter Andersen, John Sanford, and Coach Shane Coffman.

Scoreboard

	Us	Them
Norwood	10	3
Fordland	18	12
Eminence	6	4
West Plains	9	10
Ava	1	7
Cabool	11	0
Licking	11	1
Thayer	8	2
Salem	10	0
Houston	4	3
Nixa	9	12
Liberty	11	1
Plato	11	0
Conway	20	10
M.G. Tournament		
Thayer	8	2
Houston	8	7
Seymour	11	3
Willow	18	5
District Tournament		
Rogersville	4	11

Wins	Losses
15	4

Honors

Heath Housley-
Co-best batting average
SCA 2nd Team Infielder

Jared Doty-
Co-best batting average
Pitcher's Award
SCA 1st Team Pitcher
SCA Most Valuable Player

Brent Dugger-
Runs Scored leader
Stolen Base leader
SCA 2nd Team Infielder

Jesse Denison-
SCA 1st Team Outfielder
Defensive Award

Jerrod Stearnes-
SCA Honorable Mention

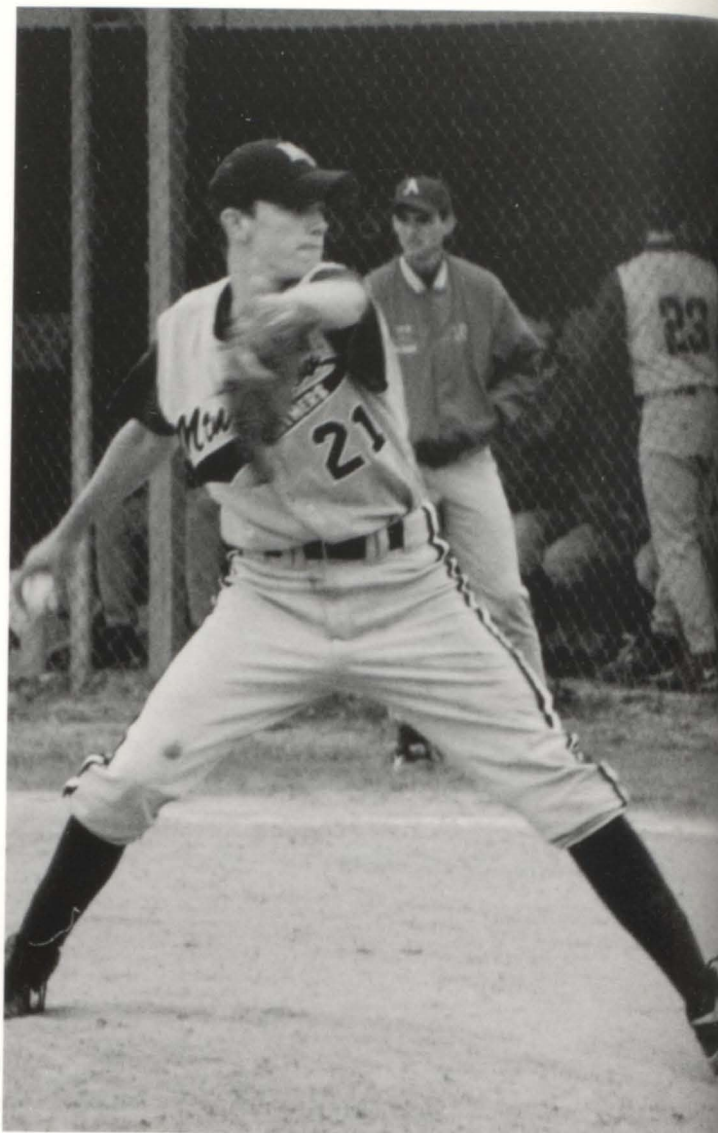
Kevin Beck-
RBI leader
SCA 1st Team Catcher

Chet Douglass-
SCA Honorable Mention

Helping his pitcher, below, sophomore Josh Mackey, frames the pitch to make it look like a strike. *Photo courtesy Beverly Breedlove*



Striding to the plate, right, sophomore Benjie Poe, puts in some quality innings for the junior varsity team. *Photo courtesy Beverly Breedlove*



Young squad prepares for new coach

Young Hitters

by Brent Dugger

The junior varsity Panther Baseball team had yet another successful year. They finished with a 12-5 record. The squad of 15 freshmen and sophomores usually played teams compiled of varsity players.

The team never saw more than two losses in a row. However, they did enjoy a six game winning streak along the way. They defeated the likes of Ava,

Licking, Salem, Houston, and a Seymour squad made up of all varsity players except their seniors.

These young Panthers gave Coach Jim Breedlove a good season to go out on and new head coach Shane Coffman optimism for the future.

"Hustle will be the key to our success next year. We will have a limited number of players with varsity experience. However, I anticipate a successful year



because of our kid's enthusiasm about the game of baseball," commented Coach Shane Coffman.

Taking his secondary lead off of second base, above, sophomore Benjie Poe, looks to score off of a base hit. *Photo courtesy Beverly Breedlove*



In the middle of his delivery, left, junior Chris Arquette, looks to strike ou another hitter. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove

Leaving the field after getting the third out of the inning, sophomore Brett Parker, below, heads for the dugout. Photo coutesy Bev Breedlove



Scoreboard

	Us	Them
Norwood	9	3
Fordland	11	0
Eminence	0	1
West Plains	4	14
Ava	4	2
Cabool	8	1
Licking	9	0
Salem	3	0
Houston	2	1
Mtn. Grove JV Tourn.		
Seymour	16	5
Ava	8	9
Nixa	3	5
Mtn. View	5	2
Plato	15	4
Conway	5	6
Seymour	4	1
Willow	6	4

Wins 12 **Losses** 5

What was the best thing about playing Junior Varsity Baseball?

The games themselves were a blast.
-Eric Turner

The best thing about the baseball games were winning and I can't wait until next year.
-Matt Jones

Just winning a lot is simply the best.
-Benjie Poe

I liked getting more playing time and experience playing on J.V.
-Ryan Duey

Staying up until 10:00 p.m. playing baseball.
-Josh Mackey



Junior Varsity Baseball Team

Row 1: Chance Williams, Douglas Turner, Chase Rogers, Randy Sparks, Matt Jones, Grant Watson. Row 2: Peter Andersen, Chris Arquette, Ray Sutton, John Sanford, Josh Mackey, Ryan Duey, Matt Douglass. Row 4: Coach Jim Breedlove, Chad Robertson, Benjie Poe, Eric Turner, Dustin Cain, Brett Parker, Coach Shane Coffman.

Concentrating hard, junior Brad Randall, below, leaps over the hurdles with ease. Photo by Jack Holland

Working hard to keep the track clean, senior Shawn Clements, right, sweeps the chat off to the side. Photo by Kayla Shannon



Track grows in popularity as a boys' sport

The Running Men

by Jamie Raney

The boys' track team had twenty plus guys go out for the team this year. The increased number of participants perhaps led to the team's successful season.

The days of competing in meets where there are only two or three schools participating is over. All meets that the team attended this year had over ten school competing so even though the team did not win

any meets, individuals performed well which enabled the boys team to be successful.

The 3200 meter relay team won honorable mention all conference honors.

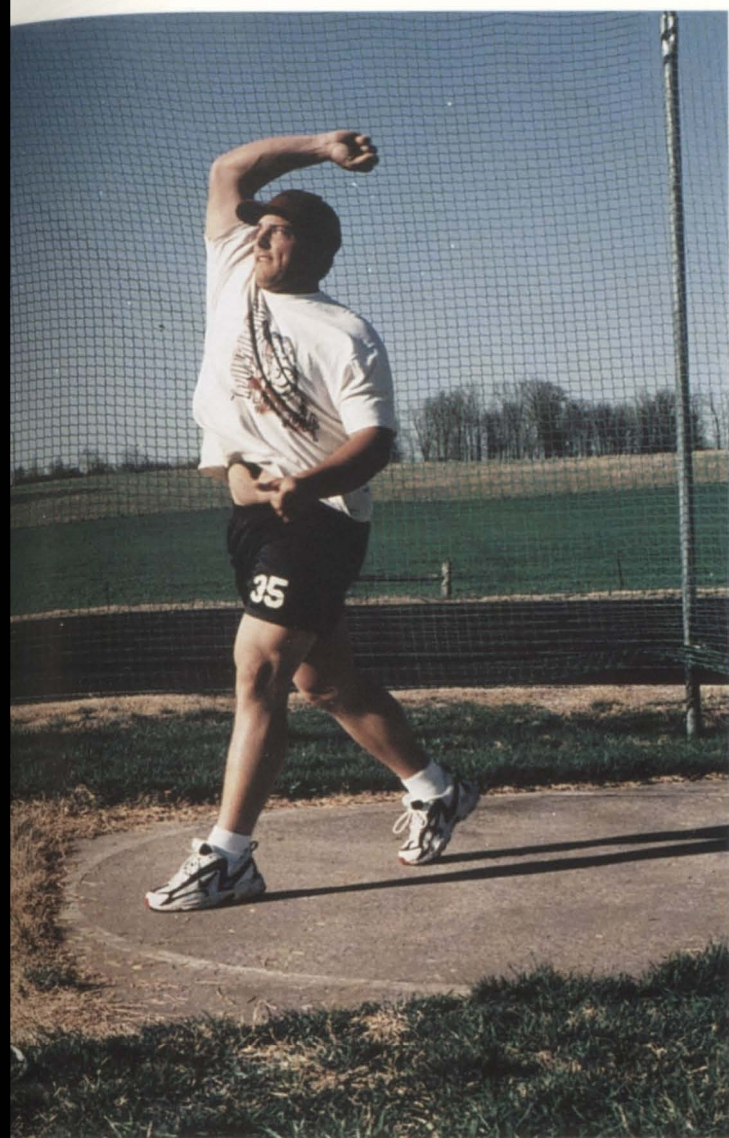
The growing interest and enthusiasm in track makes next year's team look very promising.

As for this year, Coach Terry Azevedo said, "I was really pleased with everyone's effort which was responsible



for improvements on their times. We had a lot of successes in our meets and had a lot of fun."

Senior Ryan Nelson, junior Sam Clements, senior Shawn Clements, and Jonny Bell, above, pose for a photo after running their 4 x 400 meter relay. Photo courtesy Jack Holland



Senior Heath Rodgers, left, throws the discus in the Mountain Grove track meet, hoping to exceed his record. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*

Freshman Brian Azevedo, below, runs his hardest, trying to pass his opponent. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*



Scoreboard

Ava	2nd
Salem	7th
West Plains	10th
Ava	2nd
Willow Springs	5th
Mtn. Grove	6th
SCA	6th
Mtn. Grove	6th

Honors

All Conference
3200 Meter Relay- Jonny Bell, Shawn Clements, Ryan Nelson, Sam Goin.

How has being a member of the track team helped you?

"I think that team work and the sense of responsibility is what will help me later in life."

-Shawn Clements

"I think that track has helped me with being responsible, and it gives me a good tan."

-Simon Doroscan

"It's fun, especially when you get medals!"

-Anthony Mello

"Track keeps me in good shape."

-Tyler Owens



Boys' Track Team

Row 1: Dustin Smith, Richard McGowan, Barry Martin, Simon Doroscan, Jonny Bell, Sam Goin, Brad Randall.
Row 2: Brian Azevedo, Matt Gaddis, Curtis Virtue, Edward House, Stephen Crewse, Ryan Nelson, Shawn Clements, Travis Bradshaw. Row 3: Gary Shaw, Heath Rodgers, Tyler Owens, Anthony Mello, Nathan Long, Shane Blankenship, Lee Bohnenkamp. Row 4: Managers, Sefora Doroscan, Jenna Skyles.

Jumping the highest she has ever jumped before, junior Samantha Dennis, below, breaks the school record. Photo courtesy Jack Holland

Throwing it hard, senior Misti Gourley, right, releases the disc as it flies through the air. Photo by Kayla Shannon



1999 marks record-setting year for ladies

Lady Tracksters

by Jamie Raney

The track girls got off to a good start this year as they placed 2nd at the Ava meet. The girls worked hard and many of them received honors.

Samantha Dennis broke the school pole vaulting record twice during the year. She finished with a vault of 7'9" at the Mountain Grove Relays.

Shelly Carmon was the only girl who qualified for post sea-

son competition. She received 4th at the Districts and 6th at Sectionals in the high jump but failed to advance to the state meet.

The 3200 and 400 relay teams were successful during the year as they won all conference honors.

Several freshmen proved to be valuable members of the girl's squad. Shelly Carmon was SCA honorable mention in the high jump. Samantha Zid was SCA honorable mention in the mile and the 800



meter run.

"We will have most of our girls back next year and should be improved as a team," commented coach Terry Azevedo.

High Jumper, junior Kayla Shumaker, above, clears yet another open height of more than 4 feet at the Rogersville. Photo courtesy Jack Holland



Rounding the corner, sophomore Amanda Cash, left, focuses on keeping her pace. Photo by Kayla Shannon

Giving it her all, junior Stacey Allen, below, runs her leg in the 4 x 100 meter relay. Photo courtesy Jack Holland



Scoreboard

Ava	2nd
Salem	4th
West Plains	8th
Ava	1st
Willow Springs	6th
Mtn. Grove	4th
SCA	4th
Mtn. Grove	4th

Honors

3200 Meter Relay- Julia Kuster, Michelle Zid, Becca Holee, Samantha Zid-SCA Honorable Mention

400 Meter Relay- Rebeca Doroscan, Samantha Dennis, Stacey Allen, Amanda Cash-SCA Honorable Mention

Girls' Mile Run- Samantha Zid-SCA 2nd team

Girls' 800 Meter Run- Samantha Zid-SCA Honorable Mention

Girls' High Jump- Shelly Carmon-SCA Honorable Mention

"I love the competition the best, but the way our relay team comes together to run a good race is always thrilling."
-Amanda Cash

"Overall, the season went really well and we had a lot of fun."
-Stacey Allen

"We had a really good season this year because all of the juniors were on the team."
-Samantha Dennis



Girls' Track Team

Row 1: Manager Sefora Doroscan, Julia Kuster, Heather Todd, Stephanie Tinsley, Amanda Cash, Michelle Zid, Manager Jenna Skyles. Row 2: Heather Morris, Rebecca Horton, Kayla Shannon, Becca Holee, Rebeca Doroscan. Row 3: Shelly Carmon, Misti Gourley, Samantha Dennis, Stacey Allen, Samantha Zid, Brooke Bressie.

Practicing his swing, right, senior Brent Outersky, tries to keep his winning ways. Photo by Dustin Hawkins

Young golfers hit the links

Young drivers

by Brent Dugger

The 1999 Panther Golf Team came into the year very young and inexperienced on the high school links.

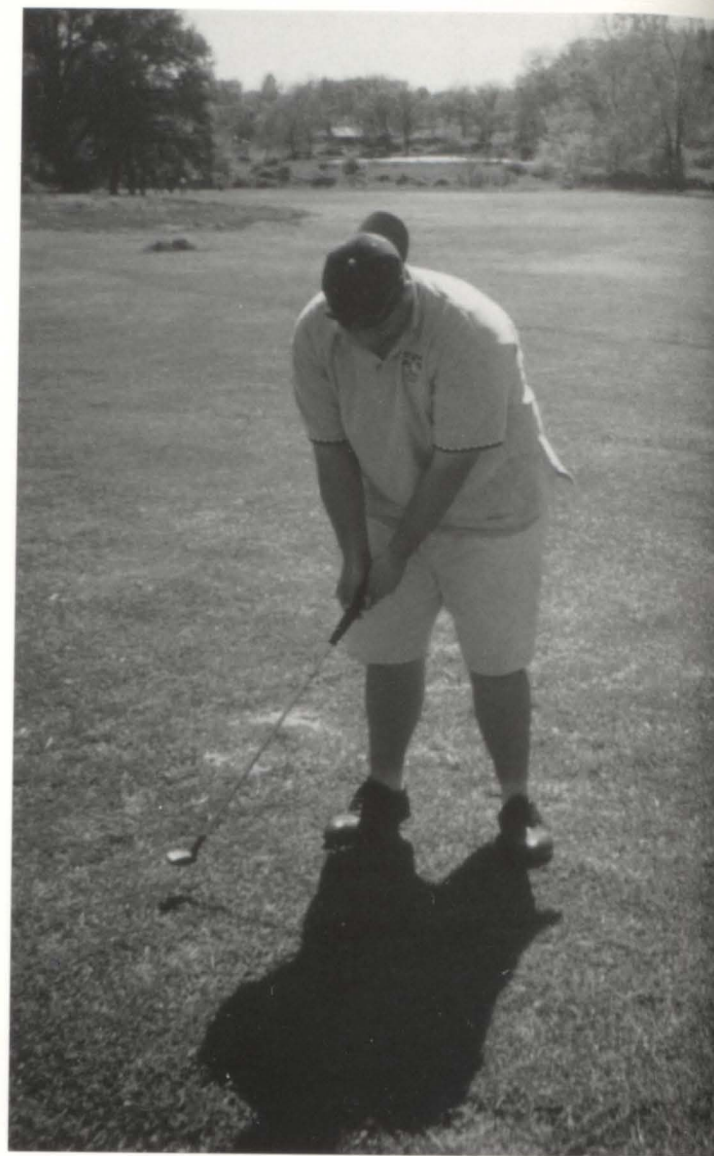
Only the top five of the eight member team were allowed to travel and compete at the meets. The top five included one senior, one junior, one sophomore, and two freshmen. This young, but talented group of golfers did manage to place

in some meets.

In the first Ava meet the young group finished first. They also managed to place second in the Mountain Grove meet.

Newcomer senior Brent Outersky was on top of the leaderboard after nearly every meet. This senior carried the young team the whole year.

"I enjoyed playing with this group of guys," commented Outersky.



Hitting the long ball, above, junior Anthony Crisp tries to hit the green on his approach shot. Photo by Brent Outersky



Golf Team:

Row 1: Brent Outersky, Ryan Turner. Row 2: Travis Shaw, Dustin Hawkins, Anthony Crisp, Nathan Yarger. (not shown B.J. Proctor)

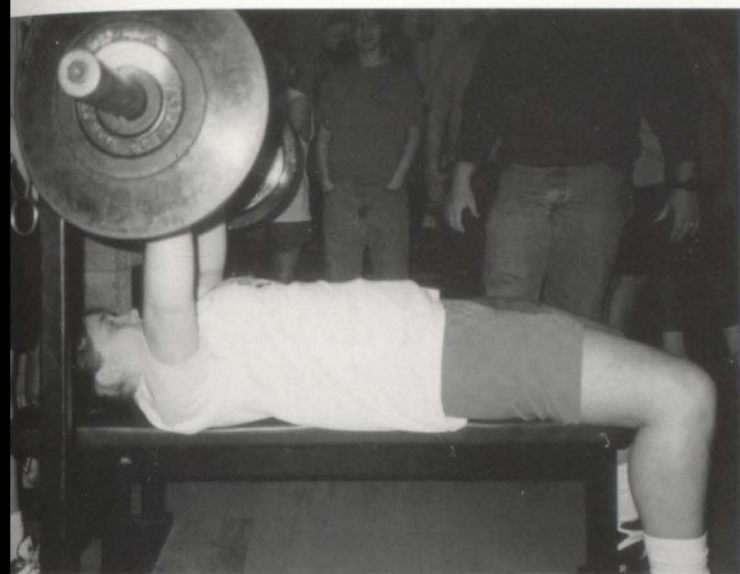
Lifters gain more strength



Showing his upper body strength, left, junior Nathan Jarrett tries his best to continue to build his strength in the weight room. *Photo by Jamie Raney*

Continuing the new tradition, female lifters, below left, sophomore Beth Shaw, shows her strength in the bench press. *Photo by Jamie Raney*

Stealing the show one last time, below, senior Heath Rodgers, shows all of his strength squatting near 500 pounds. His strength in the weight room may never be seen again. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*



Weight Lifting Team:

Row 1: Eric Lueck, Kane Roth, John Sanford, Jeremy Emery, Brent Dugger. Row 2: Simon Doroscan, Josh Mackey, Brittnee Freeman, Cheree Mings, Beth Shaw, Tim Sparks. Row 3: Chet Douglass, Randy Sparks, Heath Rodgers, Richard McGowan. Row 4: Danny Lawson, Chase Rogers, Shane Blankenship. Row 5: Kevin Beck, Jesse Denison, Heath Housley, Dustin Cain, Josh Kumpula, Danny Bohnenkamp, Dusty Lee.

Honors

Heath Rodgers-
1st squat
1st clean
Strongest lifter at MG
1st at Branson
2nd at Marshfield

Brent Dugger-
1st squat
2nd clean

Jared Byerly-
3rd clean

Eric Lueck-
1st squat
2nd bench
2nd clean
2nd at Branson

Danny Bohnenkamp-
1st clean
2nd squat
3rd bench

Richard McGowan-
1st clean
3rd at Branson
4th at Marshfield

Kevin Beck-
1st at Branson
2nd at Marshfield

Chase Rogers-
2nd Squat

Jeremy Emery-
3rd squat

Dusty Lee-
3rd squat
4th at Branson

Shane Blankenship-
3rd at Marshfield

Danny Lawson-
2nd bench
3rd clean

John Sanford-
2nd clean
3rd bench
3rd at Marshfield

Tim Sparks-
5th at Branson

Matt Jones-
4th at Branson

Brittnee Freeman-
1st squat

Cheree Mings-
2nd clean

Beth Shaw-
2nd bench

Below sophomore Tyler Hensley, practices the 100 meter relay to improve his time before real competition. Photo by Ashley Emery

Sophomore Rodney Burdick, below, competes in the tennis ball throw at the Sporting Chance competition at Parkview High School. Photo courtesy Lori Thornhill



Sophomore Robert Spoonmore shares first place with another participant, right, while junior Tommy Grimshaw receives second place at the Parkview High School competition. Photo courtesy Lori Thornhill



Honors

Tyler Hensley-
Shot Put-Silver
200 Meter Run-Silver
Running Long Jump-Gold
Tommy Grimshaw-
Shot Put-Silver
Running Long Jump-Silver
100 Meter Run-Silver
Connie Perkins-
100 Meter Run-Silver
Standing Long Jump-Gold
Shot Put-Gold
Roberta Burdick-
100 Meter Run-Gold
Standing Long Jump-Bronze
Shot Put-Gold
Jeremy Edwards-
25m Wheel Chair Race-Silver
50m Wheel Chair Race-Silver
Tennis Ball Throw-Gold
Rodney Burdick-
25m Wheel Chair Race-Bronze
25m Wheel Chair Obstacle
Course-Silver
Tennis Ball Throw-Gold

Special opportunities offered

Giving a chance

by Ashley Emery and Sarah Laird

Sporting Chance provides the special needs students with an opportunity to be involved in many different sporting activities and to compete with other special needs students.

The students participate in track and field events such as; shot put, long jump, relay races, tennis ball throw, and a wheelchair obstacle course. In the fall the students go bowling and participate in various other activities. These

opportunities to participate in events with other students help build their self-esteem.

"Sporting Chance offers our special need students opportunities to participate in sporting events. They develop a new more positive self-esteem and experience different people and places by participating," said sponsor Lori Thornhill.

"I like getting to go places and meeting people. I also like winning the ribbons and medals," commented junior Connie Perkins.



Row 1: Doug Simpson, Tyler Hensley, and Tommy Grimshaw
Row 2: Roberta Burdick, Natosha Crouse. Row 3: Mandy Crouse, Rodney Burdick, and Connie Perkins.

Breedlove's last inning as Panther baseball coach

Brent Dugger

When baseball season begins next year, there will be a new look. Coach Jim Breedlove has retired after 32 years at MGHS. He leaves behind an outstanding program, the most successful at MGHS. In his tenure he

has posted 382 varsity victories against only 152 losses. He also has chalked up countless victories with the JV teams and has volunteered his summers to coaching American Legion and Babe Ruth Baseball. Breedlove has also coached or been the

assistant in nearly all the sports offered at MGHS.

Breedlove was hired in 1967 to begin a baseball program at MGHS, where there was a lot of interest, but not a high school baseball team. From there he built a program that is

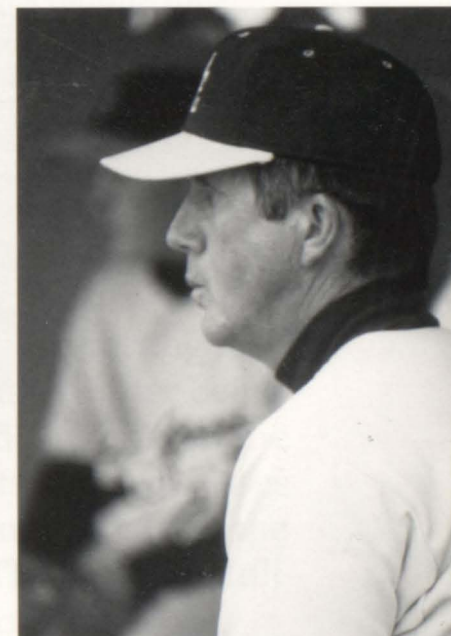
recognized across the state. He is one of the top six winningest coaches in the state of Missouri according to the Missouri Baseball Coaches Association.

The SCA did not begin a baseball conference until 1989. In those years the Panthers either won the conference or were second. He was SCA Coach of the Year six times. He won several district titles, many when there was only two divisions in high school baseball.

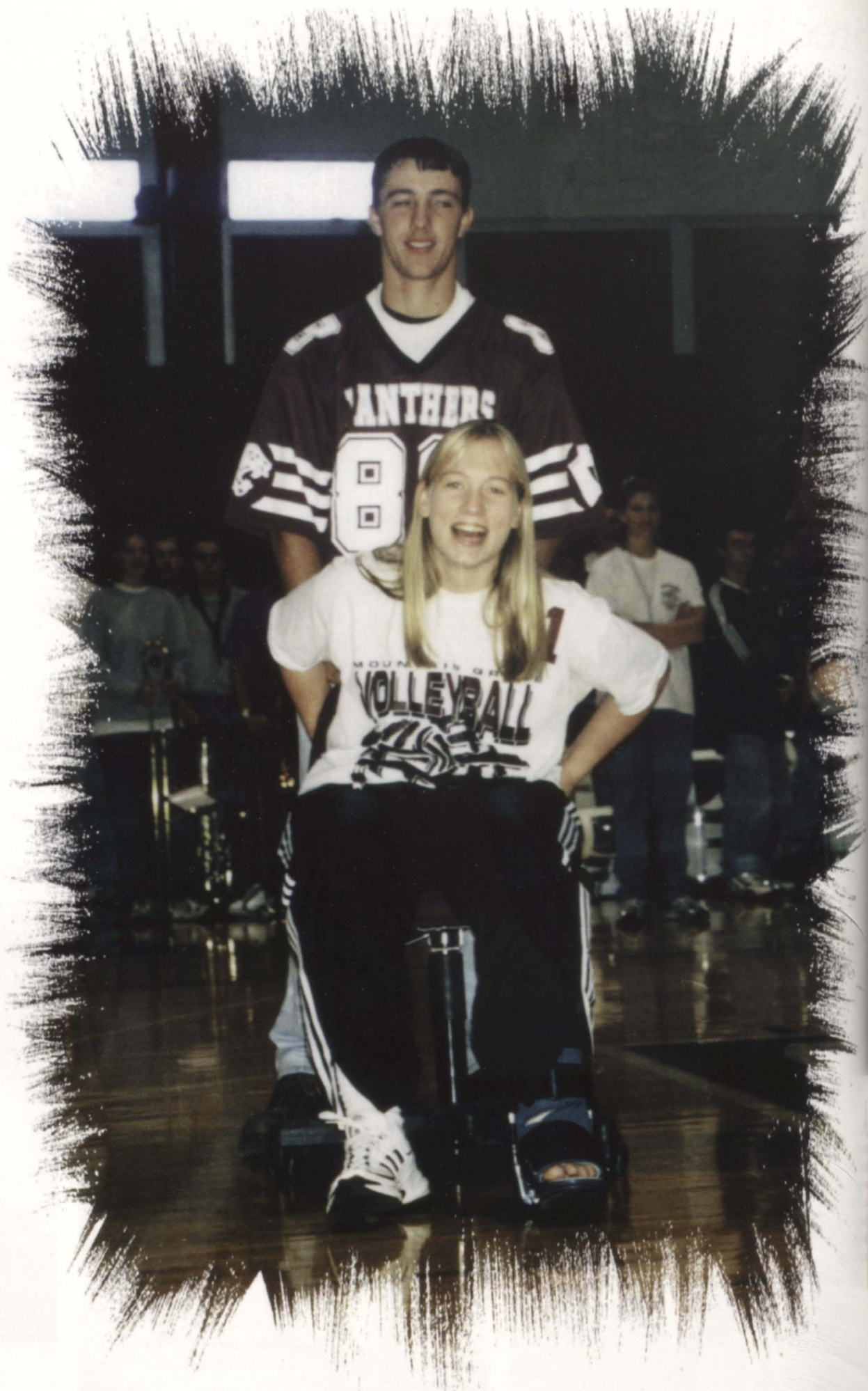
Coach Breedlove leaves the baseball program that he built from nothing to one of his former players, Coach Shane Coffman.

"I credit the talented, hardworking players that I have had over the years with the success of the baseball program at MGHS," commented Coach Breedlove. "I'm confident that the program will continue to be successful under the leadership of Coach Coffman. He knows the game," Breedlove continued.

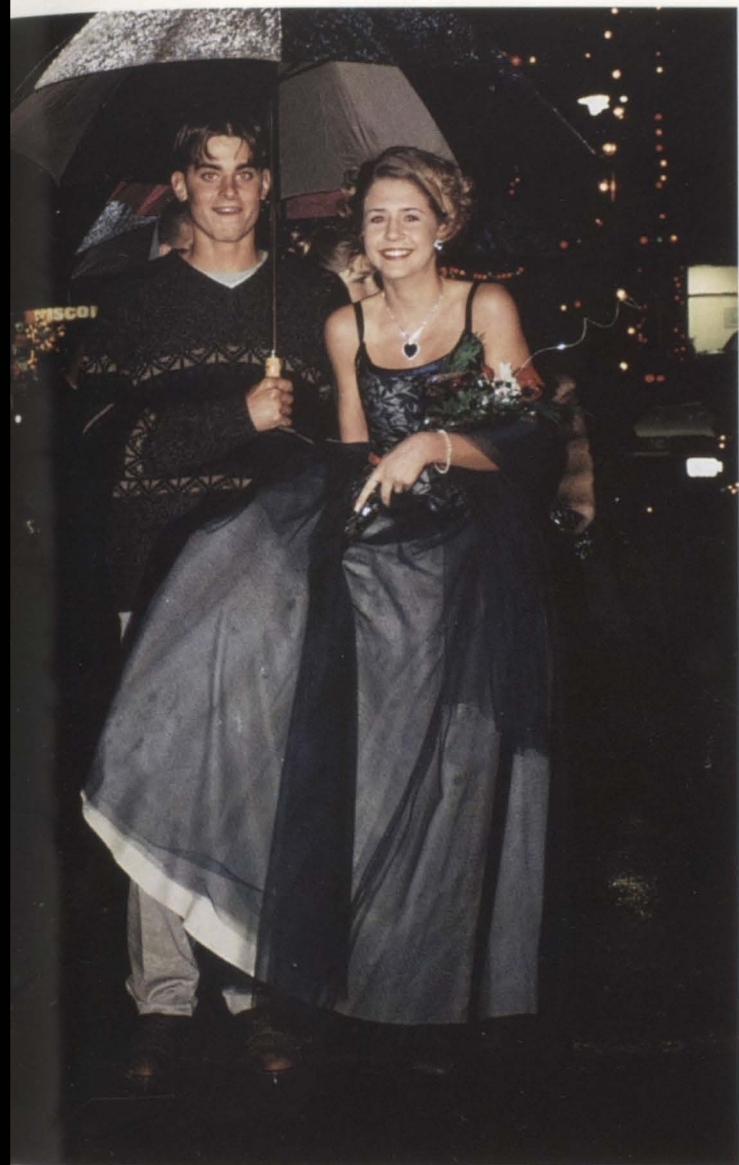
"I've coached the sons of many of my former players and thought it was time for me to go before I started coaching their grandkids," Coach Breedlove smiled.



Enjoying the humor associated with the unusual circumstances of the 1998 Net King festivities, Net King Ronnie Lathrom and senior Angela Dunham respond to the applause of the crowd in the MGHS gym during a pep assembly following the ceremony. Due to injuries received during a car accident, Dunham was unable to attend the ceremony and had to be wheeled into the pep assembly by Lathrom. Photo by Jessica Peterson



Royalty



"My heart was beating so fast because I was so excited. I knew everyone was watching me. I almost forgot how to kick off the band!"

-Homecoming Queen, Jaime Ramsey

"I was really excited about coming back as a junior to crown the new Miss Merry Christmas, but I was also ready for the coronation to end so "Jay" and I could fulfill our bet."

-1997 Miss Merry Christmas, Jamie Raney

"I was so unbelievably nervous walking out to a huge crowd, but once Lane called my name out everything was great. Everyone was so excited to see Jake kiss someone, so I knew that everyone was rooting for us."

-Hoop Queen, Angela Dunham

Attempting to stay dry at the Miss Merry Christmas ceremony juniors Al Dowden and Kayla Shannon huddle together under their umbrella fighting the cold, wind and rain of the less than ideal weather conditions of the festivities. The weather preceeded to be so bad throughout the evening, attendants were forced to ride through the Christmas parade with the tops on their convertibles up. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Royalty turned out to be very interesting for the 98-99 school year: immediately after being crowned, the Homecoming Queen directed the band; Net King had two escorts and two kisses on his big night; a junior returned to crown the new Miss Merry Christmas. The year was full of uniqueness and unexpected supprises.

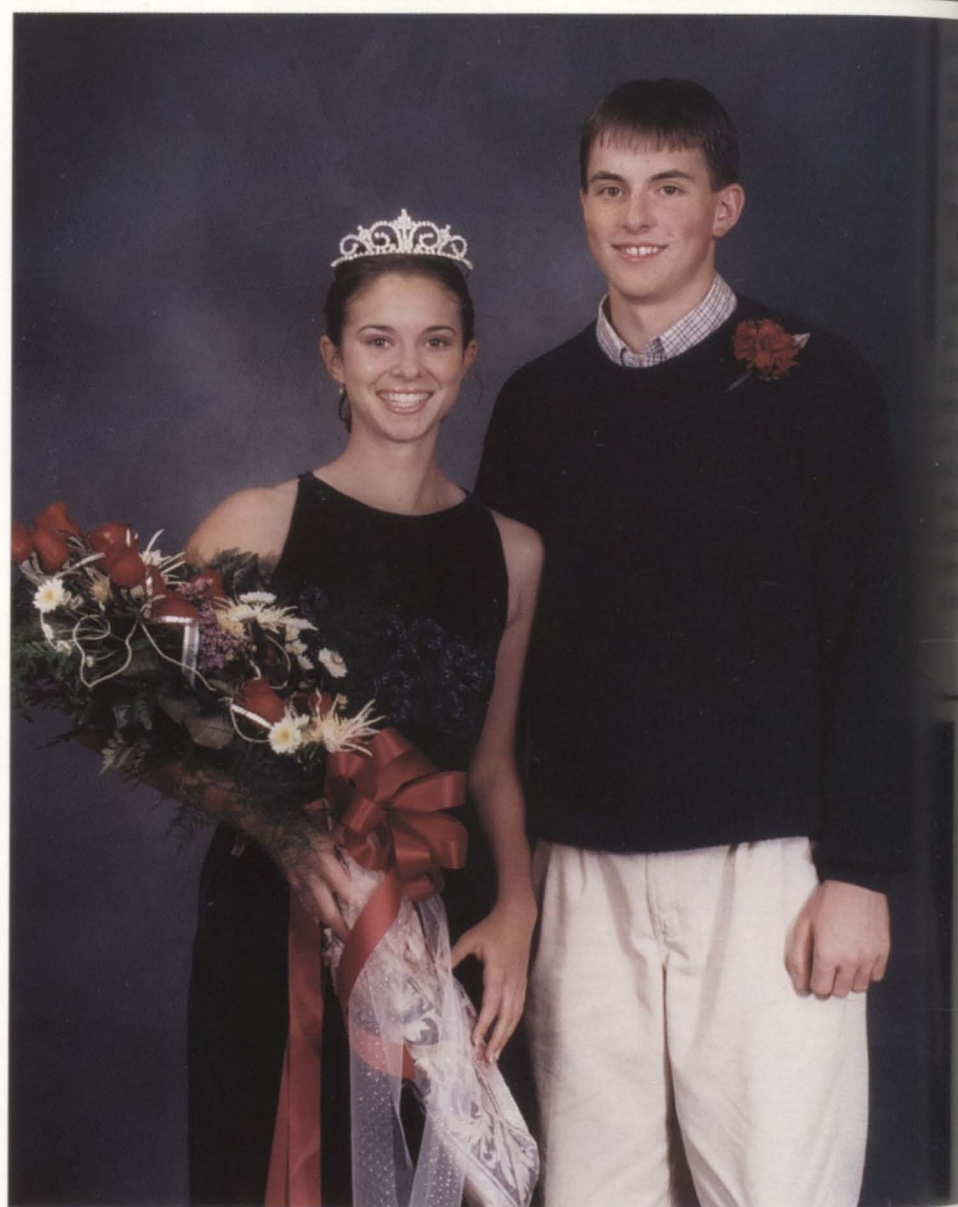
The 1998 Homecoming Court: left to right, freshman Jenna Skyles, escorted by Matt Douglass; sophomore Tana Blanton, escorted by John Sanford; senior Clarice Kluey, escorted by Matt Hurst; flower girl McKenzie Williams; Queen Jaime Ramsey, escorted by Jeff Moore; crown bearer Carter Courtney; returning Queen Daniela Doroscan, escorted by Scott Thornhill; senior Lisa Leggins, escorted by Nathaniel Barbe; junior Stefanie Coble, escorted by Brad Randall. *Photo courtesy Krizan's*



*Senior Candidate Lisa Leggins
escorted by Nathaniel Barbe*



*Senior Candidate Clarice Kluey
escorted by Matt Hurst*



*Queen Jaime Ramsey
escorted by Jeff Moore*

Drum major crowned queen

by Kayla Shannon

The day of October 9th brought and excitement for the students at JHS. The day began with yelling and cheering in the pep assembly. The students participated in a carmel apple eating contest. One student from each class raced to eat their apple. The senior class, represented by Charity

ult won the contest, but the freshman class had no difficulties. The game began with a kickoff and the Panthers didn't wish it. The game had been turned into

carmel covered onion! The rest of the day was hectic and confusing as the teachers struggled to keep excited students in their classes. School was dismissed at 1:15 for the parade. The Panther Boosters won first place for their float.

Senior Jaime Ramsey said,

"The parade seemed so long! My cheeks hurt so bad from smiling the whole time."

Halftime brought with it the excitement and suspense of the Homecoming ceremony. The JROTC cadets formed a sword arch for the candidates to walk under. The candidates and attendants made their way across the field as the crowd screamed and

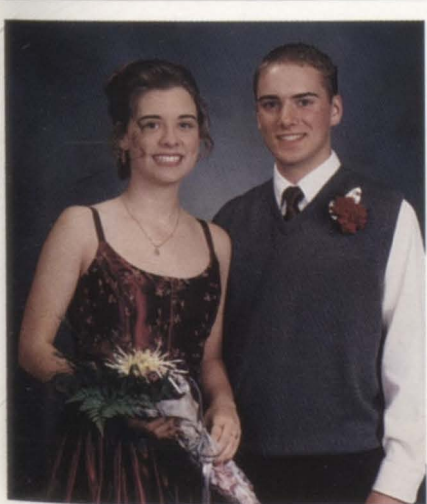
cheered. Finally, the moment everyone had been waiting for came, "and your new 1998 Homecoming Queen is...Miss Jaime Ramsey. " After

receiving her crown, Jaime took her place as drum major of the band as they performed half of their contest show. The Panthers faced a tough opponent, the Catholic Irish, losing the game 0-34.

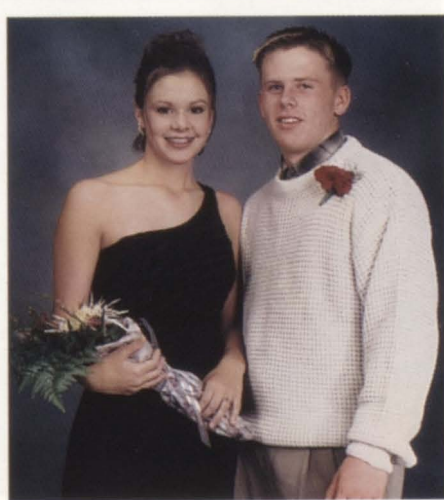
After the game the students made their way to the cafeteria where they danced and hung out with friends.



Flower Girl McKenzie Williams
Crown Bearer Carter Courtney



Junior Attendant Stefanie Coble
escorted by Brad Randall



Sophomore Attendant Tana Blanton
escorted by John Sanford



Freshman Attendant Jenna Skyles
escorted by Matt Douglass

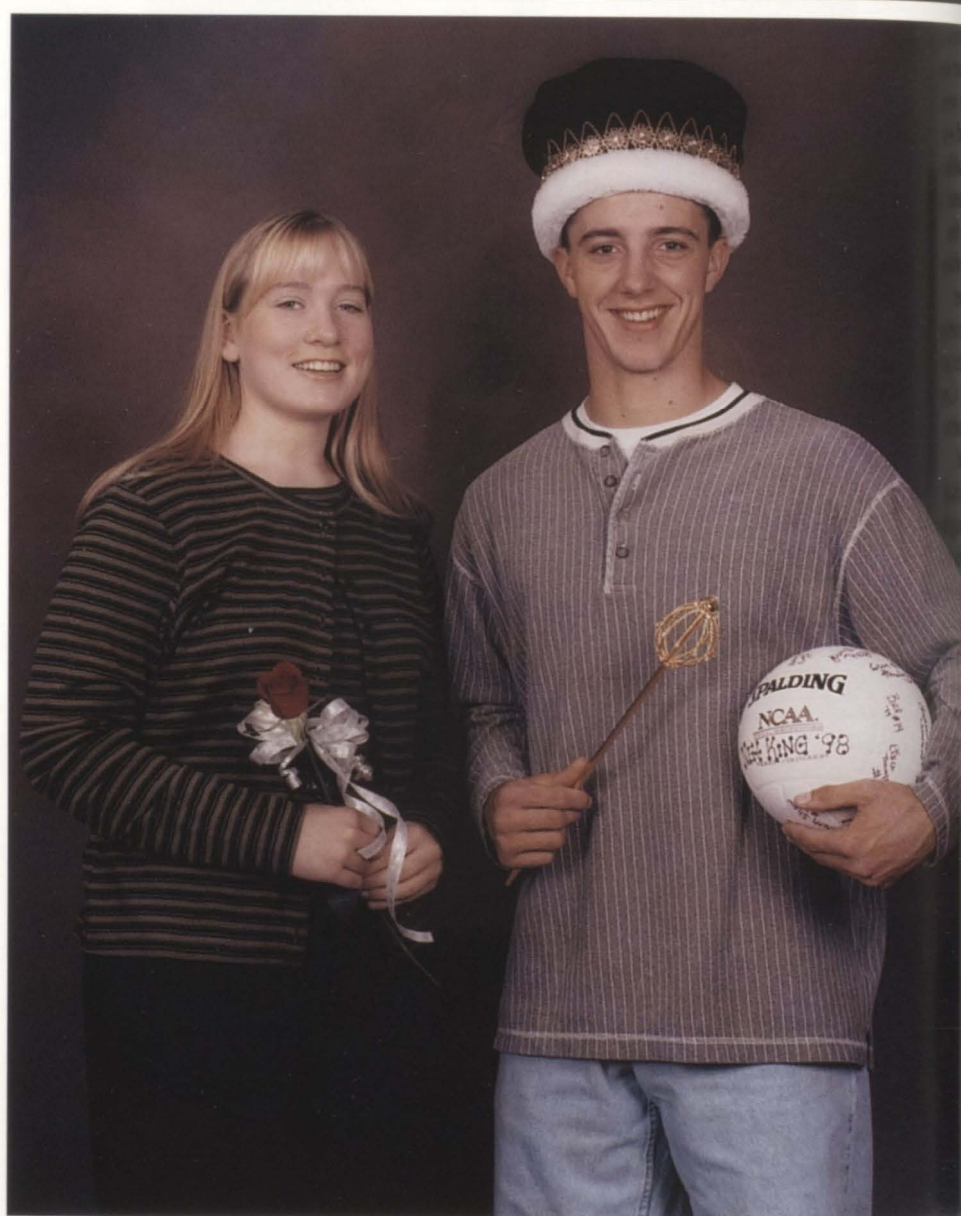
The 1998 Net King Court: Freshman Nathan Shannon escorted by Lisa Thompson; Junior Jason Glenn escorted by Jamie Raney; Senior Jesse Denison escorted by Carrie Stratton, Crown Bearer Aaron Harker; 1998 Net King Ronnie Lathrom; Flower Girl Tanner Ijames, Senior A.J. Watson escorted by Rachelle Douglass; Sophomore Tyler Owens escorted by Jaime Peterson; returning King Billy Thompson escorted by Tabitha Alsup. Photo courtesy Krizan



*Senior Candidate A.J. Watson
escorted by Rachelle Douglass*



*Senior Candidate Jesse Denison
escorted by Carrie Stratton*



*King Ronnie Lathrom
escorted by Angela Dunham*

Ronnie gets double the fun at Net King

by Kayla Shannon

On the night of October 1, the JV Panther Volleyball team took on Thayer Bobcats for Net King. The JV ended the night out on a good note, defeating the Bobcats in two games.

The Net King ceremony held between the JV and varsity games had an unusual twist. Junior Angela Dunham who was supposed to escort Ronnie Lathrom had a wreck earlier in the week.

It was unable to end. To the problem reporting their guys Carrie Stratton and Rachel Dunham.

She went back and escorted Lathrom who was announced as the new 1998 Net King. Lathrom had double the fun with the kiss, as he collected two kisses.

When Stratton was asked what went through her mind when they announced Ronnie as the winner she said, "I didn't know what in the heck was going to happen. Rachel and I had planned to kiss Ronnie on the cheek at the same time, but he didn't cooperate."

Later Dunham commented, "I was laying in the hospital when I got a call saying that Ronnie had won, and I had missed the kiss!"

After the ceremony Penny Carmon read a letter to the crowd from Angela. Coach Smith took the team to

the locker room and read a letter from Angela to them. After fighting back their tears the Lady Panthers defeated Thayer 15-9 and 15-7.



Returning king, Billy Thompson crowns the 1998 Net King, senior Ronnie Lathrom. Photo courtesy Krizan



Crown bearer Aaron Harker
Flower girl Tanner Ijames



Junior Attendant Jason Glenn
escorted by Jamie Raney



Sophomore Attendant Tyler Owens
escorted by Jaime Peterson



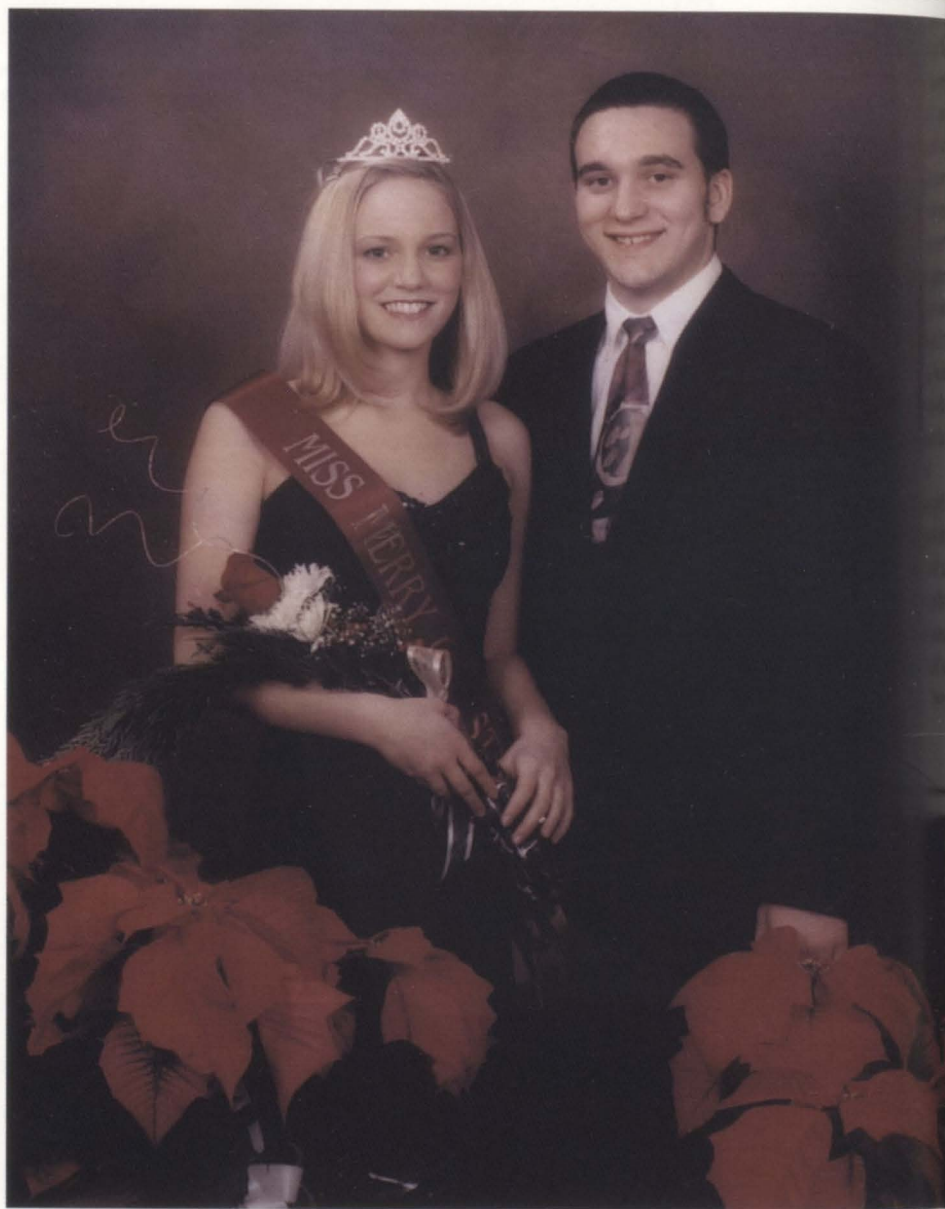
Freshmen Attendant Nathan Shannon
escorted by Lisa Thompson

The 1998 Miss Merry Christmas Court: left to right, returning Queen Jamie Raney, escorted by Jeremy Emery; Queen Tara Shaw, escorted by Jerrod Stearnes; junior Kayla Shannon, escorted by Al Dowden; sophomore Amanda Berry, escorted by Dustin Cain; freshman Stephanie Tinsley, escorted by Travis Shaw. Photo by Angela Dunham

Warming up before the Miss Merry Christmas coronation, below, senior Tara Shaw poses for the camera with her brother, freshman Travis Shaw. Photo by Rachelle Douglass.



Shielding themselves from the freezing rain, sophomores Dustin Cain and Amanda Berry make their way to the bandstand on the Square for Miss Merry Christmas festivities. Photo Courtesy Rachelle Douglass.



Queen Tara Shaw
escorted by Jerrod Stearnes

Court freezes during coronation

by Jaime Ramsey

The overcast sky on December

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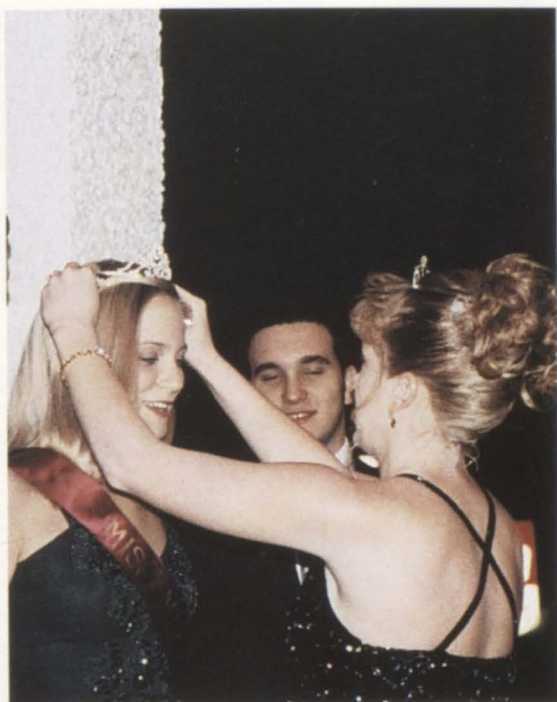
the big moment came. Returning queen
Jamie Raney passed the crown to senior
Travis Shaw. "I'll always remember
standing there waiting for them to
announce the the winner," said queen
Travis Shaw "because it seemed like
forever!"

The parade began following the

coronation. The
Miss Merry
Christmas Court
soon found that
riding in their
cars would be
cramped. The
convertible cars
were not able to
put their tops
down because of
the rain. One of
freshman Travis
Shaw and
sophomore
Dustin Cain's
most memorable
moments was
running down
the street in the
rain trying to
catch their car.
Even though the
weather was

awful, everyone still said that they had
a memorable time.

Returning Queen, junior Jamie Raney and junior
candidate Kayla Shannon stand in Dryer Parker
Shoe Store where the candidates awaited the cer-
emony. Photo by Rachelle Douglass



Junior Candidate Kayla Shannon
escorted by Al Dowden



Sophomore Candidate Amanda Berry
escorted by Dustin Cain

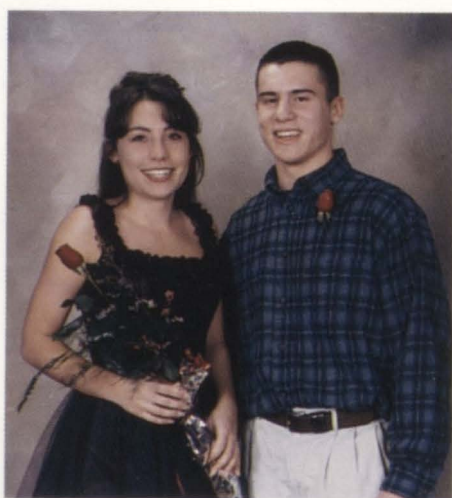


Freshman Candidate Stephanie Tinsley
escorted by Travis Shaw

The 1999 Hoop Queen Court from left to right, freshman Lisa Thompson, escorted by Matt Gaddis; junior Heather Todd, escorted by Jonny Bell; senior Jessica Peterson, escorted by Jared Doty; Queen Angela Dunham, escorted by Jacob Scott; senior Carrie Stratton, escorted by Andrew Dale; sophomore Jaime Rogers, escorted by Dustin Cain. *Photo courtesy Krizan.*



*Senior Candidate Jessica Peterson
escorted by Jared Doty*



*Senior Candidate Carrie Stratton
escorted by Andrew Dale*



*Queen Angela Dunham
escorted by Jacob Scott*

Dunham crowned '99 Hoop Queen

Kayla Shannon and Jaime Ramsey

The Mtn. Grove High School was filled with excitement on the

evening of January 15. The annual Hoop Queen activities were under way. The night was a little more hectic than usual due to all of the snow and the weeks before.

Some restraints even prevented planners from getting a flower girl and ring bearer.

The ceremony was held between the JV and Varsity boys basketball games. As the attendants, candidates, and escorts made their way across the floor the gym was flooded with camera flashes and cheering.

When junior Heather Todd was asked what she was thinking as she walked across the floor she replied, "I was hoping that I wouldn't fall because I just knew Jonny would just keep on talking."

Finally, the "big" moment had arrived. Everyone's hearts beat a little faster as Lane Baldwin announced the 1999 Hoop Queen as Miss Angela Dunham.

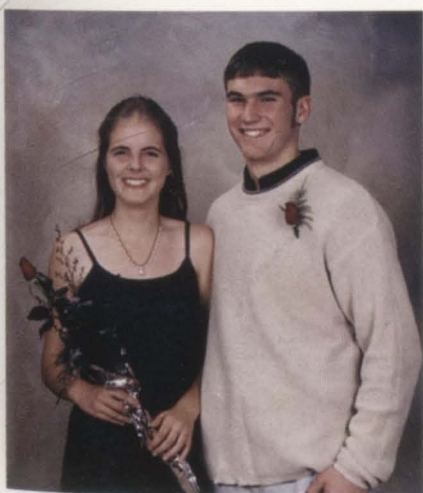
Angela received a crown, a beautiful bouquet of roses, and the traditional kiss.

After the ceremony was over the court made their way to the



back drop that spirit club had provided for their pictures. The entire gym was beautifully decorated for this special occasion. There were banners, balloons, and other decorations all over the gym.

Although the Varsity Panthers fell to the Ava Bears, the night did not cease to be a memorable one to all people involved.



Junior attendant Heather Todd escorted by Jonny Bell



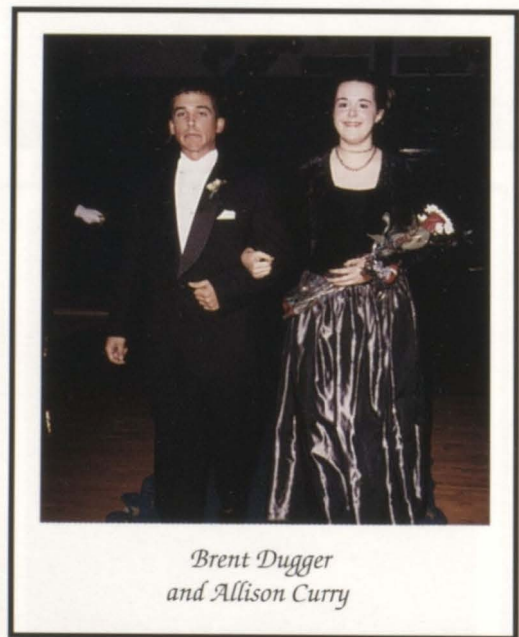
Sophomore attendant Jaime Rogers escorted by Dustin Cain



Freshman attendant Lisa Thompson escorted by Matt Gaddis

1999 Prom Royalty Court: Brent Dugger and Allison Curry, Jared Doty and Constance Byerlien, Queen Lisa Leggins and King Jerrod Stearnes, Heath Housley and Stephanie Rich, Nathaniel Barbe and Jessica Peterson. *Photo Courtesy of Krizan*

Adding to the traditional kiss, King Jerrod Stearnes gives Heath Housley a kiss. *Photo courtesy Melanie Breedlove*



*Brent Dugger
and Allison Curry*



*Queen Lisa Leggins
King Jerrod Stearnes*

Lisa and Jerrod Crowned Prom King and Queen

by Kayla Shannon

The Mountain Grove High School Gym was filled with excitement and suspense on the evening of April 16th as the 1999 Prom Royalty walked

to the court. The beautiful decorations provided the senior class helped to the good for romance and excitement. An extra touch of royalty as added

the candidates walked through a word arch provided by the JROTC. When all of the contestants had made their way to the front of the gym, the Top, senior sponsor, announced the court. Jessica Peterson and Nathaniel Barbe were announced as fourth runners up. Third runners up were Brent Dugger and Allison Curry and second runners up were Heath Housley and Stephanie Rich. Finally the moment of truth had arrived. There were only four people left. The question on

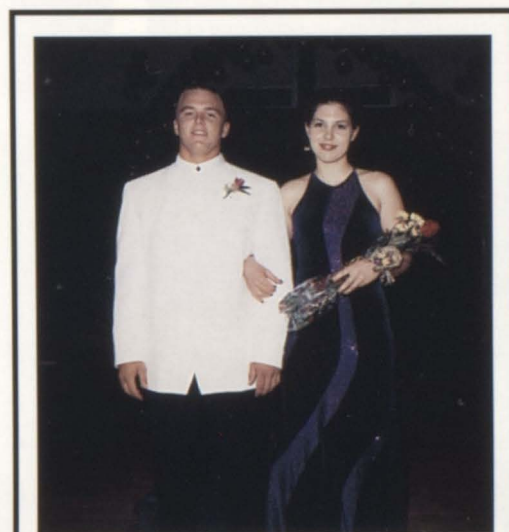
everyone's mind was who will be the new King and Queen. Jared Doty and Constance Beyerlein were announced as first runners-up. The new 1999 Prom

King and Queen were Jerrod Stearnes and Lisa Leggins. The crowd cheered as the returning King Curtis Dennis, pulled double duty and crowned the new King and

Queen. The traditional kiss was replaced with a friendly hug.

The court then made their way to the back drop, provided by the junior class, for pictures.

Following the crowning, everyone mingled around in the gym getting pictures of all of their friends. Then it was off to the beautifully decorated cafeteria for the 1999 Prom, Don't Want To Miss a Thing. This year's prom was provided by the junior class in honor of the seniors.



Heath Housley
Constance Beyerlein



Nathaniel Barbe
Lisa Leggins



Jared Doty
Jessica Peterson



Jerrod Stearnes
Stephanie Rich

Junior-Senior Prom 1999

Don't Want To Miss A Thing

After missing his dinner to get everything ready for the big night, right, junior Jared Bradshaw and his date Cortney Duming arrive to the Grand March in style. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove.



Striking a pose for the camera, below, senior cousins Heath Housley and Jessica Peterson enjoy one of last major events of their senior year. Photo courtesy Melanie Breedlove.



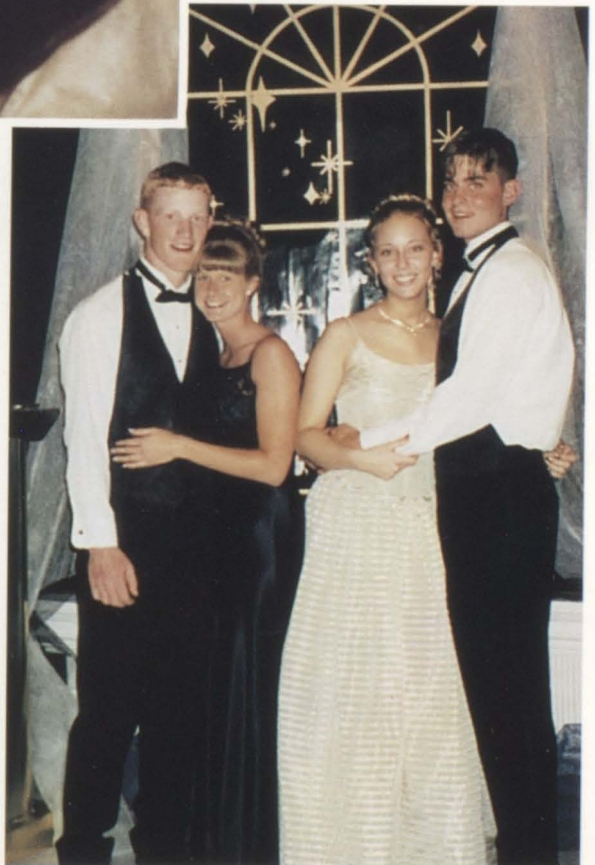
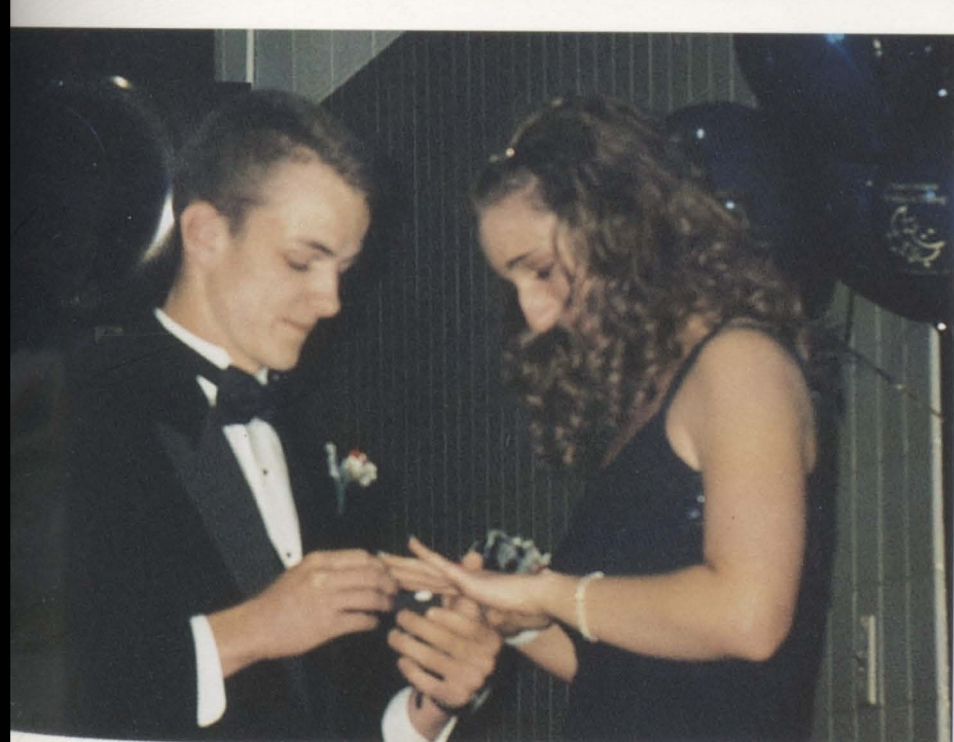
Gazing into each others eyes, left, senior Brent Dugger and Leah Gaddis enjoy one another's company. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove.

Taking a break from the dancing, sophomore Amanda Cash and Heath Rodgers, above, choose from the wonderful food provided by Debbie Barbe. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove.



Signing the guest book, left, freshman Laurel Killgore and senior Weslee Long admire all of the beautiful decorations provided by the junior class.. Photo courtesy of Bev Breedlove.

Smiling for the camera, below, junior Lane Baldwin and senior Jared Byerly pose for a picture during the Grand March. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove.



Making all of senior Mandie Benthall's dreams come true, above, Justin Foster surprises her with an engagement ring during the Grand March. Justin took the microphone from Mr. Top, and proposed to Mandie in front of a gym

full of people. Mandie of course accepted. Photo courtesy Melanie Breedlove.

Trying to capture this Kodak moment, sophomore Chet Douglass, juniors Stacey Allen, Amy Brummet, and Al Dowden pose for a picture. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove.

Applying the hinges to a door in the home that the building trades class built this year, senior Eric Lueck attempts to do his job to the best of his ability. Photo by Brent Dugger



OMTC



"FFA allows students with an interest in leadership, agriculture and natural sciences to gain knowledge, experience, or skills that will allow them to pursue a career in an agriculture related field."

-David Higgins, FFA Advisor

"DECA is important because through activities, members learn and perfect leadership, entrepreneurial, and social skills; as well as raise civic consciousness."

-Kristy Burnett, DECA Advisor

"FHA helps students develop personal leadership and prepare for community living. Members learn about community service by helping others, having fun through group activities, and gaining recognition."

-Elaine Duey, FHA Advisor

oyful to be crowned the new FFA Barnwarming King
d Queen seniors LeAnn Hicks and Heath Rodgers
celebrate their new roles. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

OMTC challenges students

OMTC adds new services to help students and community

by Tara Shaw

The Ozark Mountain Technical Center functions mainly to give area students skills and information which will increase their chances for future employment.

This year OMTC has been working on many new programs and projects which will provide new and more

diverse opportunities to students and members of the community.

A work experience coordinator was hired to help special education students who normally would not be joining the work force after graduation. These students work on interview skills, writing resumes, and other job

skills during their freshman and sophomore years. By their junior and senior years, students are eligible for employment that could potentially lead to a paid job both during school and after graduation.

A two year machinist program was also started this year. Students catch a bus to Mansfield where they attend class and receive instruction.

Short-term, night classes have been offered for

the first time this year to the community. These education courses are offered in a wide range of subjects. Those interested can take classes ranging from computers to antique collecting to doll making. Attendance for the first semester started at 40, and by the second semester had grown to over 100 as many community members and area citizens took advantage of the opportunity.



Giving senior Jesse Denison, above, a tour of the greenhouse, senior Jared Doty explains what students in the Greenhouse class do everyday. *Photo by Jerrod Stearnes.*

Measuring the window at the house under construction by the Building Trades class, right, senior Dustin "Buck" Sheppard, shows off the skills he has learned in Mr. Gaston's class. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

Cleaning a carburetor in Mr. Duey's Auto Mechanics class, far right, junior Adam Parsons works hard to get the vehicle back on the road. *Photo by Jared Doty*





Showing off their skills, left, seniors Chris Tinsley, Bo Parker, Dustin Sheppard, and Heath Rodgers work diligently in their Ag Construction class. *Photo by Jesse Denison*

Studying hard, below, senior Mary Anne Robertson works on her accounting to help her gain skills she will need in the work place. *Photo by Jared Doty*



Cutting trim to size for the Building Trades class, left, junior Nathan Fry helps to keep the project going. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

Learning the basics, above, freshmen Erin Seeman, Darlena Scott, and Kane Roth work during their Ag 1 class. *Photo by Jared Doty*

OMTC Faculty

Kristy Burnett, Marketing
Oscar Carter, Agriculture



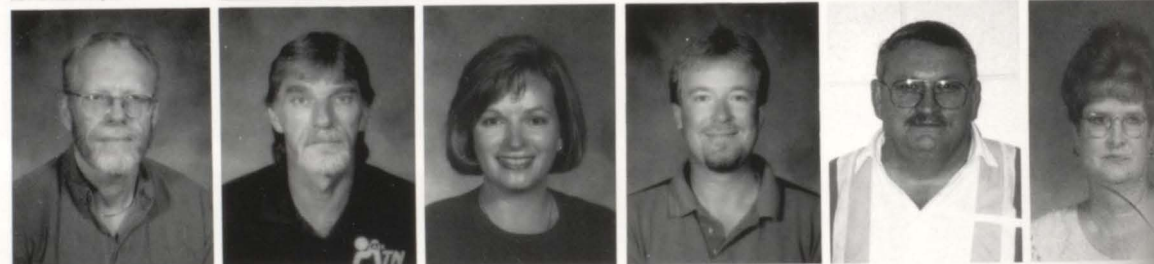
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Judy Douglass, Counselor
Elaine Duey, Home Economics
George Duey, Auto Technology
Patricia Edquist, Basic Skills
Tommie Gaston, Building Trades



Laurel Hall, Adjustment
Coordinator
Susie Heiss, Health Occupations
Laura Hendershot, Director
Secretary
David Higgins, Agriculture
David King, Electronics
Russell Lee, Auto Collision



Doug Loch, Industrial Arts
Dennis Marquis, Welding
Jane Parker, Voc Resource
Marty Stigall, Heating/Air
Joe Szura, Machinist
Donna White, Business



What has been the primary focus at OMTC this year?

"This year has been spent primarily keeping curriculum in line with all of the equipment and new programs that have been started. If students have not been to OMTC, they need to come and have a visit and a take a tour."



Earl Crawford
OMTC Director

Vo-Tec adds new club

NV-THS HELPS BUILD SELF-ESTEEM

by Kayla Shannon

"It was great working with all of the National Vo-Tech Honor Society Members. I had a great year and was very proud to be the first president of the Vo-Tech National Honor Society." Mandy Benthall, president

This year the OMTC inducted its first members to National Vocational-Technical Honor Society (NV-THS). This is the vo-tech's seventh club. The requirements for students to be in the club is they must have an A or B in all of their vo-tech classes, an overall GPA of 2.5, must be recommended by a vo-tech teacher, and involved in school and community activities.

NV-THS is an image building club. Membership helps build self-esteem and pride. Students help out around the school and provide community service. NV-THS is the highest scholastic honor awarded for excellence in workforce and occupational education in America. NV-THS is a nationally recognized club with 1,000 members nationwide.

The purposes of NV-THS are: to reward excel-

lence in workforce education; to encourage scholastic achievement, skill development, honesty service leadership, citizenship, and individual responsibility; to help member schools build and maintain effective partnerships with local business and industry; to assist the membership in reaching their educational and career goals; and to cultivate and champion a stronger, more positive image for workforce education in America.



National Vocational- Technical Honor Society

Row 1: Sponsor Judy Douglass, Mandy Benthall, Amanda White, Tanna Krider, Ronnie Lathrom, Trena Sheppard Row 2: Travis Garrison, Julia Kuster, Leanne Hicks, Raneer Hale, Jennifer Bartlett Row 3: Krystal Moore, Amy Oaks, Heath Rodgers, Dustin Shelton.



Members of the new club at OMTC, , seniors Mandy Benthall, Amanda White, Tana Krider, and Trena Sheppard, above, pose for the camera at the induction ceremony. Photo courtesy NV-THS

Lighting his candle in the NV-THS induction ceremony, above left, senior Heath Rodgers helps to state the club's goals. Photo courtesy NV-THS

Leading the sophomores on a tour of OMTC, senior Leanne Hicks, above, show her leadership capabilities as a member of the NV-THS. Photo by Jessica Peterson

District Competition

Jessica Peterson-1st
Entrepreneurship
Participating
Jared Templeton-1st
Entrepreneurship Written
Jennifer Brnum-1st
Advertising Campaign
Jaime Ramsey & Jamie
Raney-3rd Financial
Services Management
Rachelle Douglass-2nd
Retail Merchandising,
Associate Level
State Competition
Jared Templeton-3rd
Entrepreneurship Written
Jessica Peterson-Finalist
Entrepreneurship
Participating

DECA goes to state

by Kayla Shannon

Distributive Education Clubs of America, better known as DECA, consists of Marketing I and II students and is sponsored by Marketing teacher, Kristy Burnett.

DECA is a very active club in which members participate in competition, leadership conferences, civic consciousness, marketing skills and "just for fun" activities.

This year students

attended leadership conferences in Louisville, KY and Austin, TX.

At district contest at College of the Ozarks, several students placed with six students qualifying for state and one qualifying for nationals.

DECA and Marketing students also operated the OMTC school store and sold DECA canes during the holidays.

"DECA has taught me many skills that I know will be useful in my future. I have enjoyed being president and part of this club, because it is an educational and enjoyable part of our school."
Jessica Peterson,
president



DISTRIBUTIVE EDUCATION CLUBS OF AMERICA

Row 1: Kristy Burnett, sponsor; Jessica Peterson, president; Carrie Stratton, vice president; Stephanie Rich, secretary; Rachelle Douglass, treasurer; Jaime Ramsey, reporter; Jodi Chernowsky, representative; Brent Outersky, representative. Row 2: Kerry Burd, Heather Linton, Michelle Zid, Stacey Allen, Kayla Shannon, Betsey Matthews. Row 3: Jennifer Brnum, Jared Templeton, Amy Brummet, Stephanie Gonzales, Rachel Homer, Clarice Kluey. Row 4: Trena Sheppard, Dacie Singleton, Leslie Sheppard, Jamie Raney, Charity Gault, Kristie Hensley.

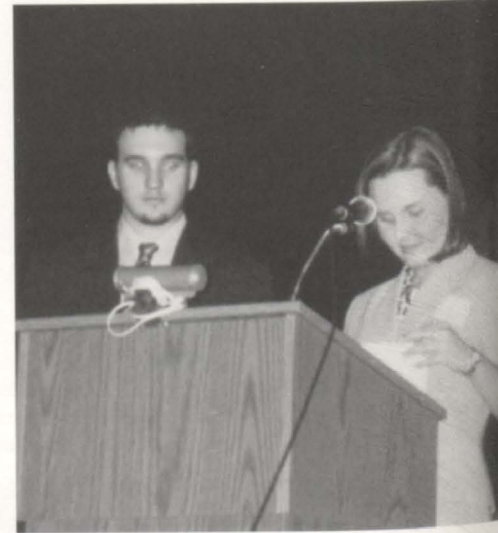


FUTURE BUSINESS LEADERS OF AMERICA

Row 1: Donna White, sponsor; Brandy Young, president; Jerrod Stearnes, vice president; Stacey Allen, secretary; Richard McGowan, treasurer; Rachelle Douglass, reporter; Lane Baldwin, activities chairman; Jessica Peterson, activities chairman. Row 2: Onna Bushong, Jaime Rogers, Leah Gaddis, Kayla Shannon, Tyler Owens, Carrie Stratton, Jamie Raney, Jodi Chernowsky, Cheree Mings. Row 3: Anthony Mello, Misti Gourley, Clarice Kluey, Rachel Homer, Cindy Curran, Ashley Emery, Brittnee Freeman, Amy Brummet. Row 4: Tiffany Whitworth, Amanda Cash, Tana Blanton, Doti Smith, Jaime Peterson, Danetta Lathrom, Jeremy Emery, Chet Douglass. Row 5: Randy Sparks, Al Dowden, Chase Rogers, Nathan Fry, Jeff Ice, Brett Parker.

Taking a break from their busy schedule at state DECA competition, right, are seniors Rachelle Douglass, Jaime Ramsey, Jessica Peterson, and juniors Jennifer Brnum, Jamie Raney, and Jared Templeton. Photo by Cindy Curran

Fullfilling their duties as district president and vice president, far right, seniors Jerrod Stearnes and Jessica Peterson announce the winners at FBLA district competition. Photo by Cindy Curran



FBLA takes control of district

by Kayla Shannon

"FBLA gives students a chance to help our community and develop leadership skills."

Brandy Young,
president

This year FBLA sold hot apple cider on the square during the Miss Merry Christmas coronation and crowning. They also drew two names off the Angel Tree at Wal-Mart. They bought the kids toys and clothes to help make their Christmas a little more special.

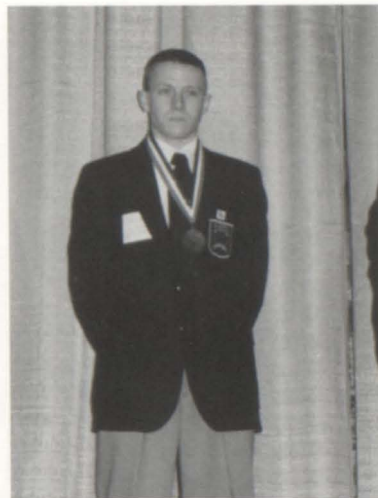
One unique thing about this year was that from among over 20 schools,

MGHS held all of the district officer positions: Jessica Peterson, president; Jerrod Stearnes, vice president; Stacey Allen, secretary; Rachelle Douglass, reporter; Richard McGowan, treasurer; and Cody Knaak, parliamentarian.

In the coming year Mtn. Grove will hold two district offices; Cindy Curran will serve as treasurer and Amanda Cash as reporter.

Members also scored high in competitions as nine people placed in district contest. Five students attended state competition in Columbia in April. Amanda White was a finalist in Desktop Publishing.

FBLA WINS ALL DISTRICT OFFICER POSITIONS FOR 98-99



Suspense rising junior Jared Templeton, above, waits to hear the results from his event at state DECA competitions. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*

Trying to keep warm junior Richard McGowan and sophomore Tyler Owens, left, sell hot apple cider during the Christmas parade to raise money for FBLA. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*

FFA keeps winning tradition

by Kayla Shannon

Future Farmers of America had a very busy year as they held various fundraisers to support club activities and competitions

They sold about 1200 cases of fruit to help raise money so that members could attend National and State Conventions along with many other district and area activities. FFA members also participated in their

annual slave auction.

Another FFA tradition was kept alive as the annual Barnwarming festivities were held. Senior LeAnn Hicks, escorted by Heath Rodgers was crowned Barnwarming Queen.

Competitions also kept FFA members busy as they continued the traditions of representing MGHS in various judging categories.

Several teams received gold ratings at district competition and went on to compete in the 71st State Convention in Columbia. Gold winners were: Entomology 5th; Nursery and Landscaping 1st; Dairy 3rd; Forestry 6th; Horses 7th; and Field Crops 9th.

The Dairy Team received a silver medal at the national contest for the second year.

"FFA allows you to meet new people and explore new career areas. FFA teaches leadership skills and the true meaning of team work. It also helps you grow as an individual."

Trena Sheppard,
president



FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

Row 1: David Higgins, advisor; Trena Sheppard, president; Mandy Benthall, vice president; Tanna Krider, secretary; Jessica Puangnak, treasurer; Leslie Sheppard, reporter; Lane Baldwin, sentinel; Patti Thornhill, historian; Jon Marquis, 2nd vice pres; Nathan Fry, parliamentarian; Lydia Strunk, chaplain; Oscar Carter, advisor; Row 2: Jason Vandivort, Ryan Zichmund, Shawna Deeds, Melanie Plummer, Kim Kildow, Matt Jones, Dustin Sheppard, Amy Brown, Dustin Ellis, Loren Eilenstine, LeAnn Hicks, Darlena Scott, Erin Seeman, Staci Krider, Kristen Deeds. Row 3: April Evilsizer, Jessica Crews, John Homer, Edgar Jones, Nicole Hendershot, Jennifer Coffman, Jacob Peterson, Chance Williams, Stephen Williams, Jordan Davidson, Ricky Emery, Eric Turner Row 4: Rebecca Stubbs, Tommy Cooper, Josh Meiroto, Matt Douglass, Shawna Thompson, Dustin Cain, Toby Thompson, Lyndse Robertson, Tim Sparks, Mike Holycross, Jamie Green, Paul Lee, Michael Fairchild Row 5: Keysha Kelley, Kristy Tumlinson, Misty Ridgeway, Brynn Benthall, Zach Dewitt, Aaron Volk, Richard McGowan, Lisa Thompson, Kane Roth, Ashley Emery, Christine Ray, Josh Beeler, C.J. Hensley Row 6: Nicole Zickmund, Ryan Nelson, David Hunsucker, Julia Kuster, Jeremy Emery, Rick Aspegren, Jared Doty, Heath Rodgers, Brandon Shannon, Heath Jarrett Row 7: Adam Housley, Curtis Virtue, Nathan Shannon, Jeremy Loooper, Jared Bradshaw, Chris Arquette, Chaseton Elliot, Douglass Turner, Robbie Kahler, Brandon Prock, Doti Smith, Kerry Burd Row 8: Matt Gaddis, Katie Gibson, Joey Dodd, Keri Lindstrom, Grace Gibson, Jamie Bradshaw, Cortney Dueming, Blake Bosse, Jared Ellis, Sarah Delcour, Mike Ussery Row 9: Robert Macleod, Wes Woods, Brandon Calhoun, Scott Johnson, Josh Kuhn, Ben MacIntosh, Keith Allen, Cody Greenfield, Dusty Finch.



FUTURE HOMEMAKERS OF AMERICA

Row 1: Katie Gibson, Amanda Hicks, historian; Kim Blankenship, points chairman; Tyler Hensley. Row 2: Ryan Duey, Travis Bradshaw, Stephanie Tinsley, Ruthanna Wade, Jennifer Denner, Abigail Youssefi. Row 3: Elanie Duey, sponsor; Shawna Lakey, Misty Ridgeway, Vanilyn Tapp, Maria Eaton, Felicia Sanders. Row 4: Grace Gibson, Sarah Mabe, Misty Nungesser, Nikki Lee, Tanya Sapp. (not pictured) Leanna Wallace, president, Rane Hale, secretary



Taking a break at the FFA State Camp, "Camp of the Rising Sun", juniors Jon Marquis, Patti Thornhill, Jennifer Coffman, Leslie Sheppard, freshman Staci Krider, senior LeAnn Hicks, sophomores Toby Thompson, Ryan Zickmund, and Jason Plummer, left, relax and catch up on the day's gossip. Photo courtesy of David Higgins.

FHA attends meetings, wins awards

by Kayla Shannon

FHA (Future Homemakers of America) has been very active this year.

The officers attended a training workshop in West Plains on October 8. They attended a regional meeting in Gainesville in October. In November, they attended a cluster meeting in St. Louis. They also attended an

Officer Installation meeting in Willow Springs in April, and STAR Events in April. They also attended a state meeting in Columbia in June.

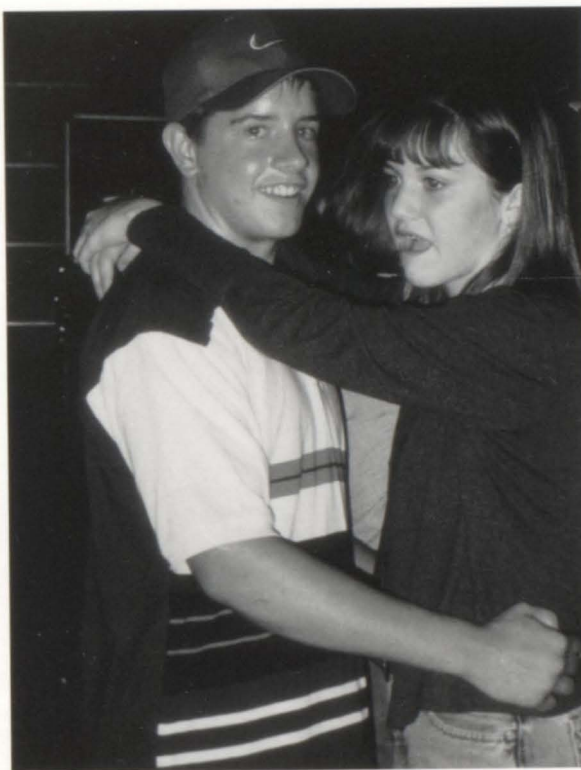
FHA week was held in February, and the club went on barn swing trips in November and April.

This year FHA won the regional award for the largest percent of members

in attendance at the Regional Meeting.

FHA WINS AWARD AT REGIONAL MEETING

"FHA is important to me and the members because it teaches us responsibility, leadership, and lessons for life."
Amanda Hicks, historian



Waiting to be sold at the FFA slave auction, junior Nathan Fry, above, grins at the thought of working a day and getting no pay. Photo by Mindy Lee

Making valentines for the nursing home, freshman Felicia Sanders and Mrs. Duey, far left, work hard to make someone else feel special. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes.

Dancing the night away, freshmen Matt Gaddis and Lisa Thompson, above left, smile for the camera at the annual FFA Barnwarming. Photo by Rachelle Douglass.

FFA members, left, stop to pose for a picture at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Photo courtesy of David Higgins.



Building for the future

by Mindy Lee

*"INDUSTRIAL ARTS
CLUB GIVES ME MORE
TIME TO BUILD
THINGS."
-SENIOR,
STEVEN CAUSEY*

Industrial Arts Club offers many opportunities for its members. The club provides its members with skills they can use in future jobs.

The club has participated in many competitions and won several honors.

In the SCA Industrial Technology Fair held in Houston they received runner-up in the open

division. They also won runner-up in the SWMITEA district open division held in Springfield. At the state level they placed first with a score of 98/100 in the MITEA Fair held in Jefferson City.

The club has constructed a variety of furniture and sold them to raise money for a trip at the end of the year.

Members of the Industrial Arts Club decided to tour the Construction Training School in St. Louis

*"Industrial Arts
gives the students
more opportunity
to develop their
skills."*

Doug Loch,
Industrial Arts
Sponsor



INDUSTRIAL ARTS

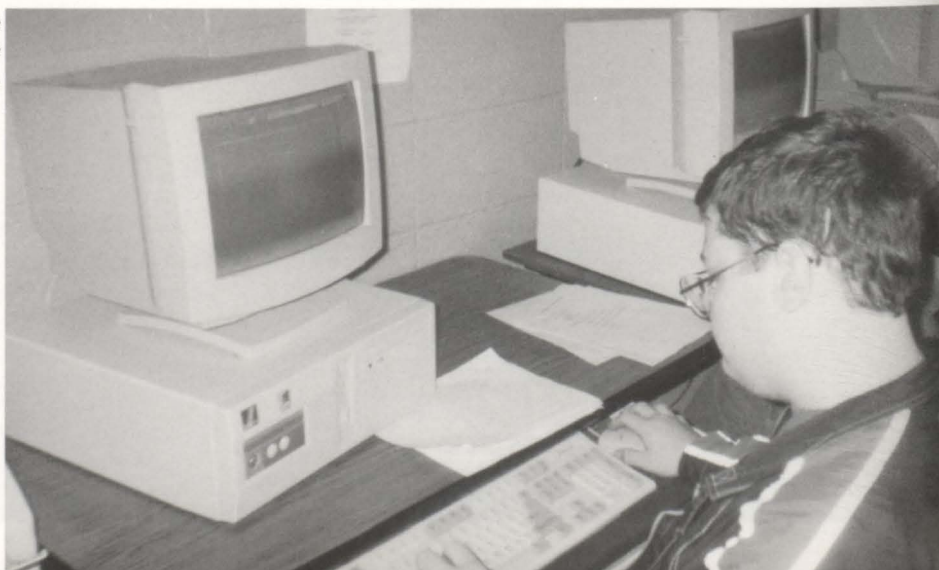
Row 1: Richard Turnbull, Steve Causey, Bobby Barnes, James Dodd.



AFTERNOON VICA

Row 1: Dusty Shelton, Sherrie Hurley, Mandy Benthall, Dustin Sheppard, Ralph Bashor, Nathan Fry Row 2: Tommie Gaston, Greg Cantrell, Eric Luek, Mike Weaver, Carl Beasley Row 3: Ronnie Lathrom, Chris Tinsley, Justin Blackwell

Working on a project, sophomore James Dodd, right, works with the computer to get the dimensions right.
Photo courtesy Doug Loch



Vica makes strong showing

by Mindy Lee

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America is made up of many of the juniors and seniors in the vo-tech classes held at OMTC.

The Vica members have competed in various competitions and came home with several awards. The district competition was held in Rolla this year. The team placed 3rd and Travis Garrison and Joe Kuster took

1st and 2nd in computer maintenance technology information. Joe Kuster also placed 2nd in computer maintenance.

At the state competition Lisa Dickinson took 9th in the bulletin board competition, Travis Garrison placed 2nd and Kuster placed 3rd in computer maintenance technology and information.

The members also attended the state and

district conferences. Nathan Fry, Ralph Bashor, Dustin Shepred, and Dusty Shelton, all MGHS students were elected district officers for next school year.

"VICA IS A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL CLUB IN WHICH YOU LEARN MANY SKILLS THAT YOU CAN USE IN THE FUTURE."

-JUNIOR JENNIFER BARTLETT

"I had a wonderful time this year because I had a great bunch of young adults to work with."

Tommie Gaston, VICA sponsor



Cutting the wood the right size sophomore James Dodd above, works to finish a project. Photo courtesy Tommie Gaston

Working on one of his projects senior Steven Causey, top left, puts the finishing touches on his project before selling it to raise money for the club. Photo courtesy Tommie Gaston



Competing in the rafter competition junior Nathan Fry, bottom left, works to get it just right. This was only one of the competitions held during the building trades open house. Photo by Mindy Lee

Underclassman

"Student Council has helped me to become more of a leader and also gave me a chance to help with activities that improve our school."

-JAMIE RANEY, JUNIOR

"I'll never forget competing at the International Youth Finals Rodeo in Shawnee, OK this past summer."

-ANTHONY MASSEY, SOPHOMORE

"I don't think I will ever forget my freshman year, it has been a big experience for me."

-HEATHER MORRIS, FRESHMAN

"I usually have to do homework before I can do anything else."

-KEYSHA KELLEY, FRESHMAN

"I will never forget all the great times with Darrell Bolin and Jaime Rogers. We've been in a lot of arguments and Jaime and I always seem to win."

-ONNA BUSHONG, SOPHOMORE

"I look forward to coming to school everyday. I love seeing my friends and some of my teachers."

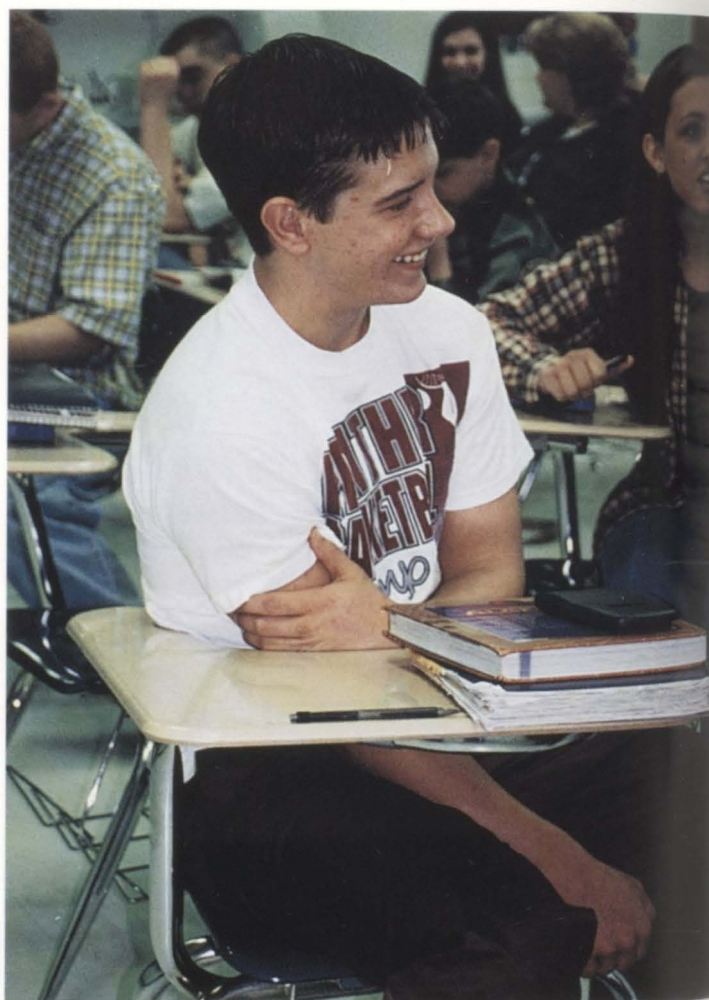
-NIKKI LEE, JUNIOR

"It's really fun in high school. I have a lot to look forward to."

-MARIA EATON, FRESHMAN

"I'll never forget sitting on the steps in the atrium, talking to all of my friends."

-LEANNA GASTON, SOPHOMORE



Sharing a laugh with fellow classmates freshman Matt Gaddis waits for class to begin. Photo by Jessica Peterson



Offering free assistance to the MGHS cooking staff, freshmen Sefora Doroscan, Randy Gilbert and junior Nathan Friend dispense food to students at lunch. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

MGHS BURSTING AT SEAMS, INVADED BY FRESHMEN

WHAT WILL YOU REMEMBER MOST ABOUT
YOUR FIRST YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL?

"All of the 'mature' juniors."

JENNA SKYLES, PRESIDENT

"Mrs. Williams's class and her GREAT Christmas
present."

LISA THOMPSON, VICE PRESIDENT

"The thing I will remember most about my first year in
high school will be when I was chosen to be the
freshman candidate for Miss Merry Christmas."

STEPHANIE TINSLEY, SECRETARY

"Mrs. Williams's class."

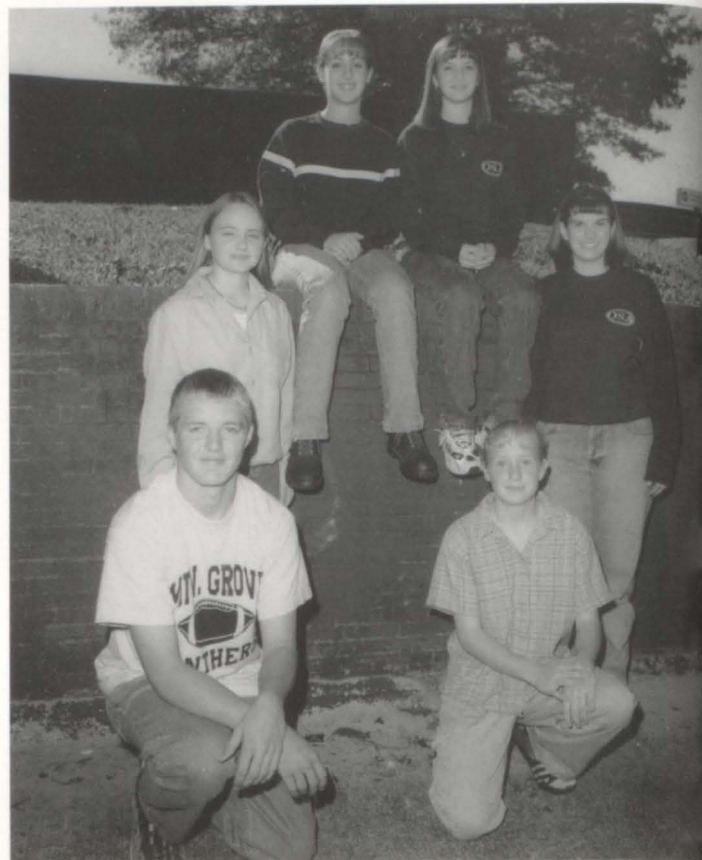
CHANNA McDONALD, TREASURER

"What I will remember most about my freshman year
is going to state for cross country."

SAM ZID, GIRL REPRESENTATIVE

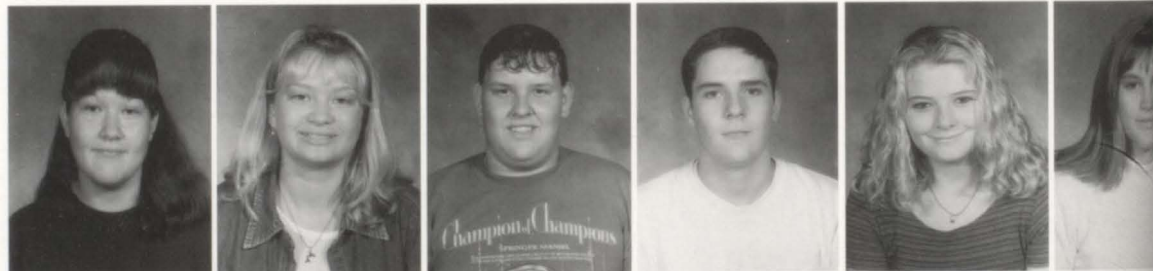
"The thing that I'll remember most is probably all the
new women and basketball. I've had one of my best
years."

DANIEL PARSON, BOY REPRESENTATIVE

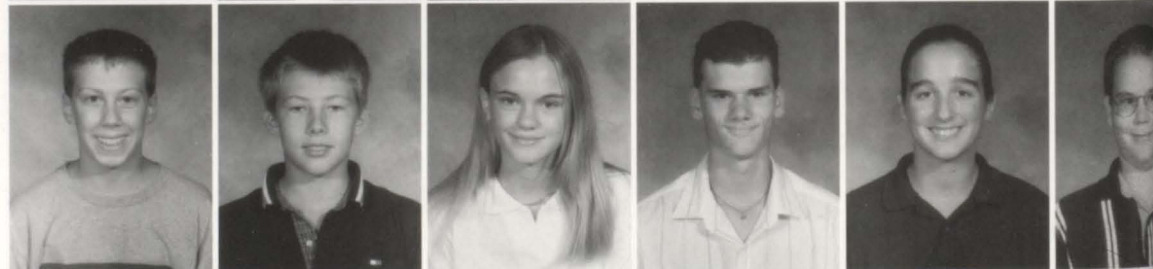


Freshman class officers (left to right) Daniel Parson-Boy Representative, Stephanie Tinsley-Secretary, Jenna Skyles-President, Lisa Thompson-Vice President, Channa McDonald-Treasurer, Sam Zid-Girl Representative

Alicia Adrian
Kristin Affholder
Kevin Akers
Walter Alexander
Serena Allen
Sasha Atkinson



Brian Azevedo
Daniel Banks
Crissy Bell
Aaron Bench
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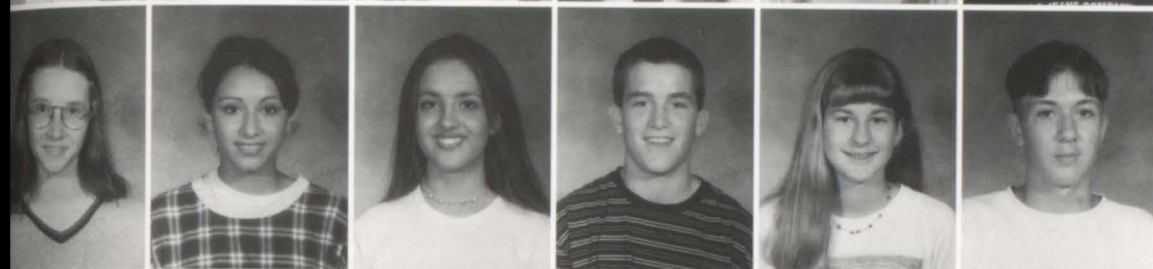




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Rebeca Doroscan
Sefora Doroscan
Matthew Douglass
Jessica Driskill
Robert Dunn



Jonathan Durney
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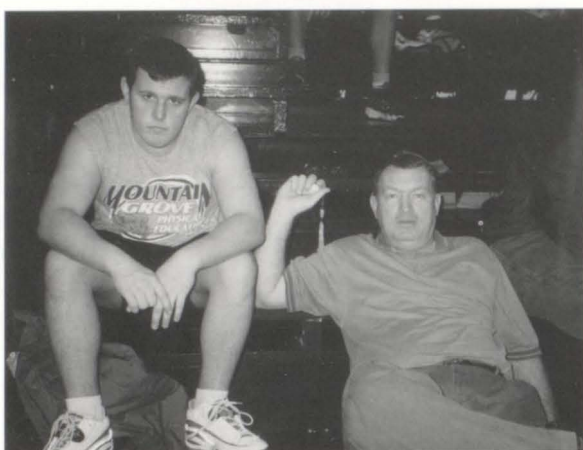
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Heath Hicks



Cheering at a Panther pep assembly, above, freshmen Shawna Thompson, Channa McDonald, and Megan Gaddis strive to receive the spiritstick for the freshman class. Photo by Jessica Peterson

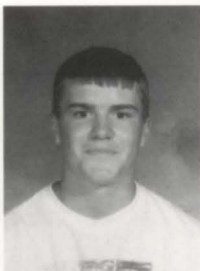


Enjoying one another's company freshman BJ Prock and teacher Ron Dunham, below left, take a break from PE class. Photo by Brent Dugger

Performing an experiment fresh Brian Azevedo, Jennifer S. Chrissy Bell, and Travis Brad below, participate in Physical Science. Photo by Brent Dugger



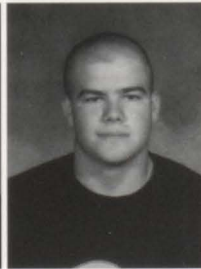
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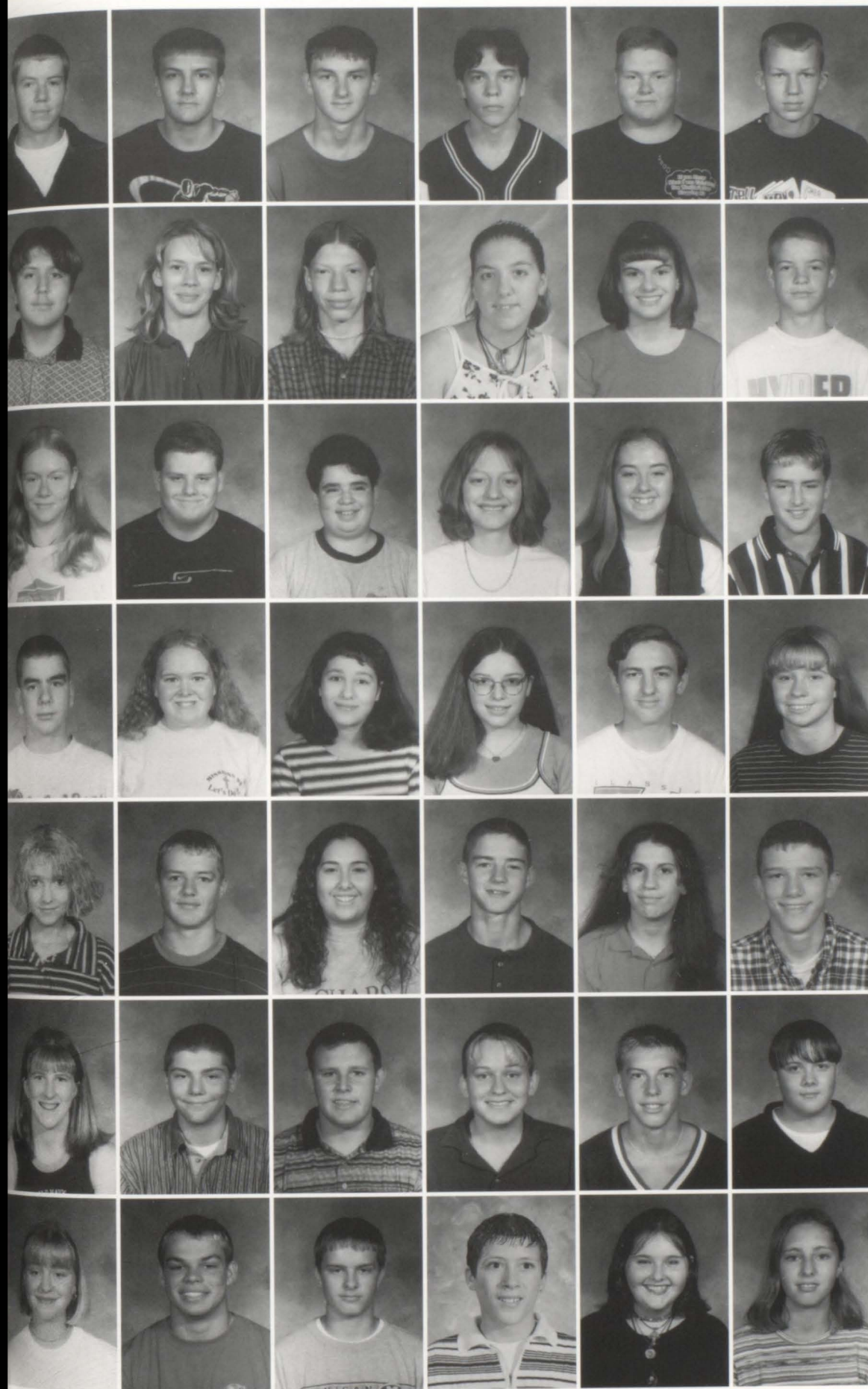


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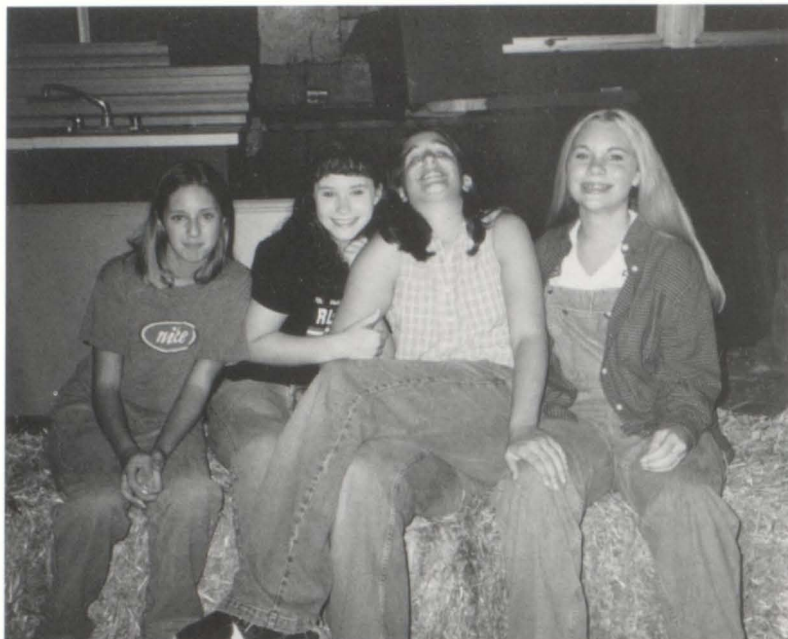
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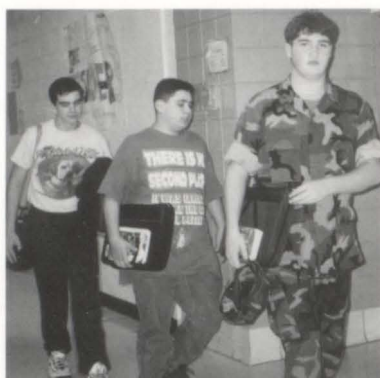
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Charles Rogers

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Jason Roy
Chris Russell
Felicia Sanders
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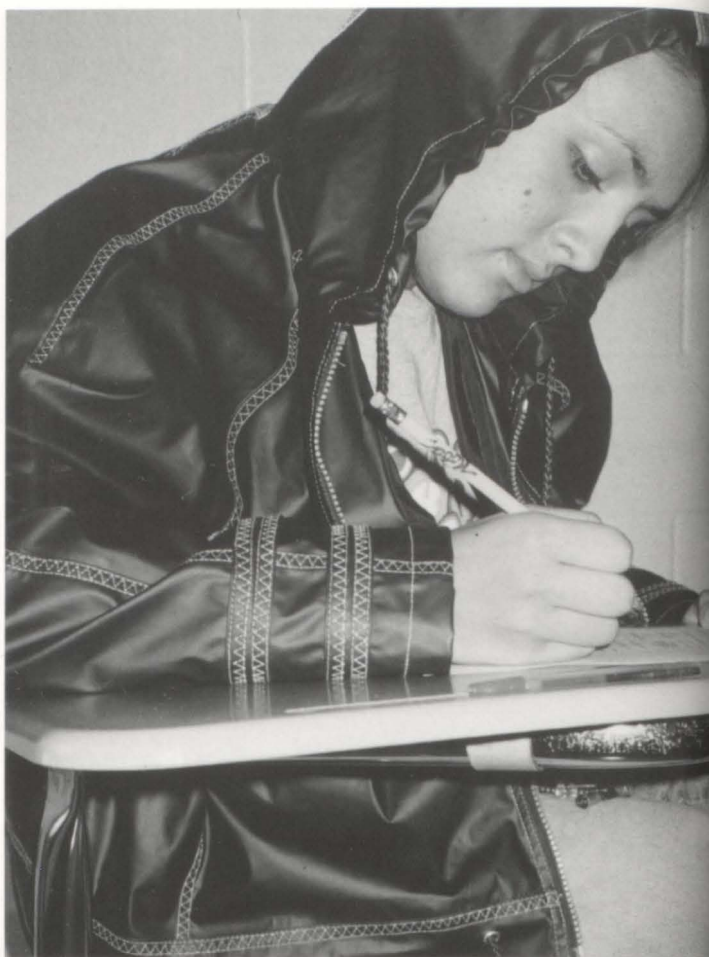


Freshmen Darlena Scott, Jayme Collins, Brynn Benthall, and Erin Seeman enjoy the festivities at the annual FFA Barnwarming. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Making their way to Mrs. Bredlove's freshman English class Michael Carrol, Marcelino Moreno, and Danny Nash, right, work their way through the hall. Photo by Brent Dugger



Filling out a mock ballot freshmen Sefora Doroscan, below, learns about the American privilege of voting. Photo by Allison Curry



Tricia Scrimshire
Veta Sears
Erin Seeman
Nathan Shannon
Gary Shaw
Travis Shaw

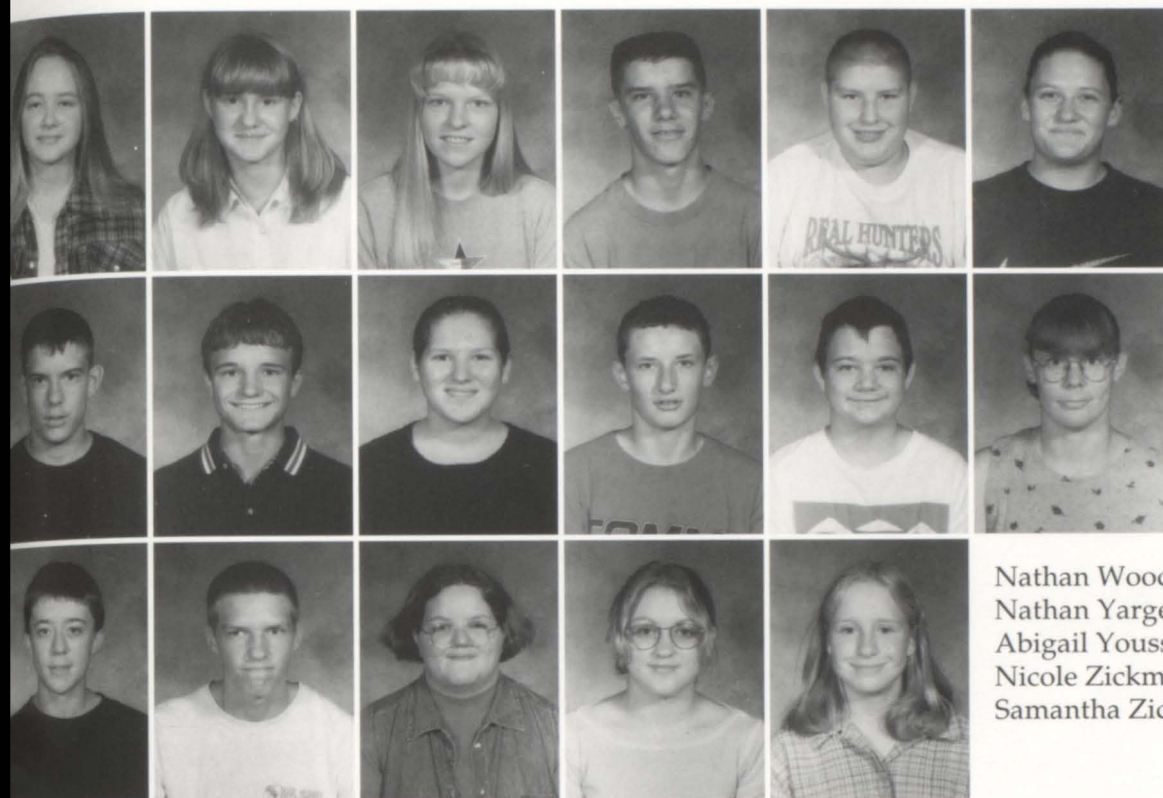


Derrick Sherrell
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Rebecca Stubbs
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Stephen Tinsley

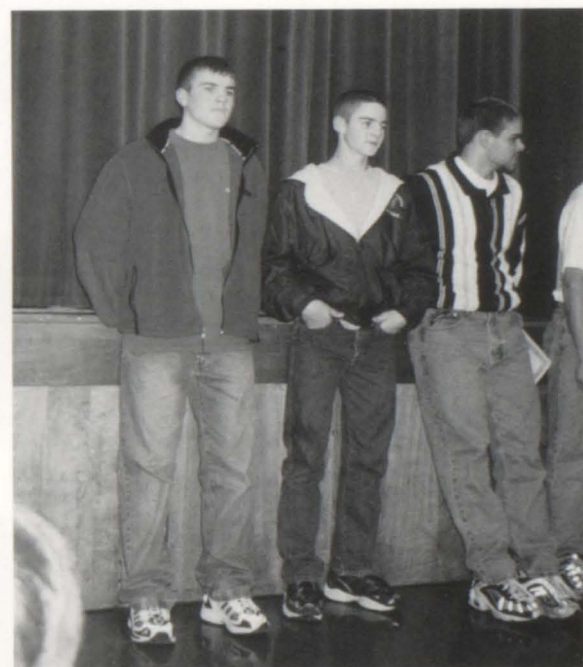




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Lacey Tooley
Kristy Tumlinson
Douglas Turner
Eric Turner
Jessica VanBibber

Curtis Virtue
Tyler Watson
Eugenie Wilkinson
Chance Williams
Stephen Williams
Helene Wilson

Nathan Woodard
Nathan Yarger
Abigail Youssefi
Nicole Zickmund
Samantha Zid



A trio of friends freshmen Travis Shaw, Gary Shaw, and Brian Azevedo, right, display the importance of "sticking" together. *Photo by Carrie Stratton*

Being honored for their athletic achievements during the fall sports banquet freshmen Adam Housley, Jacob Peterson, and Kane Roth stand before the crowd in the cafeteria. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*

SOPHOMORES FACE FEARS FOR THE FUTURE

WHAT ARE YOU MOST SCARED OF?

"I'm most scared of losing contact with all my friends after graduation."

TANA BLANTON, PRESIDENT

"Snakes"

DUSTIN CAIN, VICE PRESIDENT

"I'm most scared of the threat of my fellow classmates drinking and driving."

ONNA BUSHONG, SECRETARY

"Being alone and having no friends."

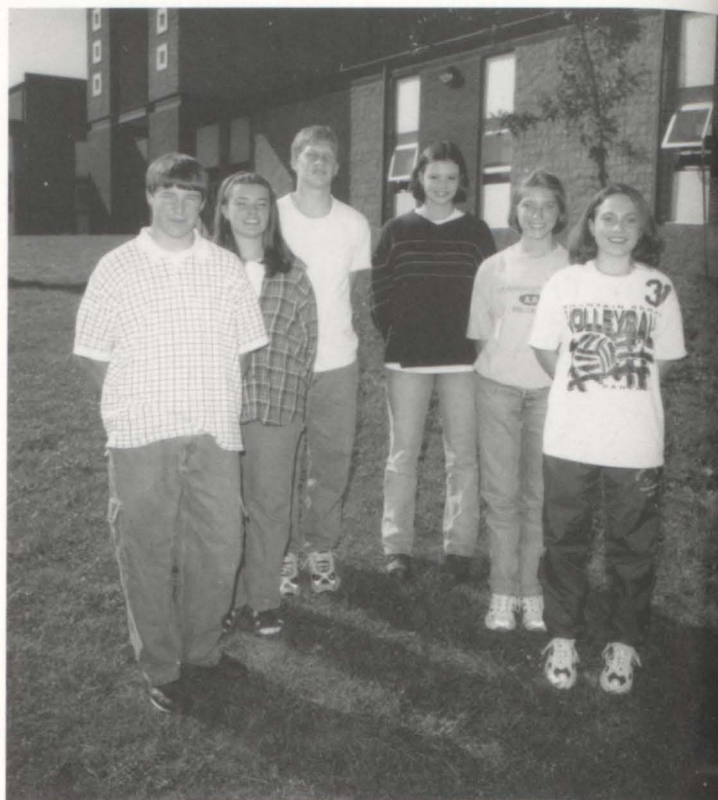
TIFFANY WHITWORTH, TREASURER

"After losing so many in the past I am most scared of losing someone I am even closer to."

JAIME ROGERS, GIRL REPRESENTATIVE

"I'm most scared of the green monster in my closet."

JOSH MACKEY, BOY REPRESENTATIVE



Sophomore officers, above, Josh Mackey-Boy Rep. , Onna Bushong-Secretary, Dustin Cain-Vice-President, Tana Blanton-President, Tiffany Whitworth-Treasurer, Jaime Rogers-Girl Rep.

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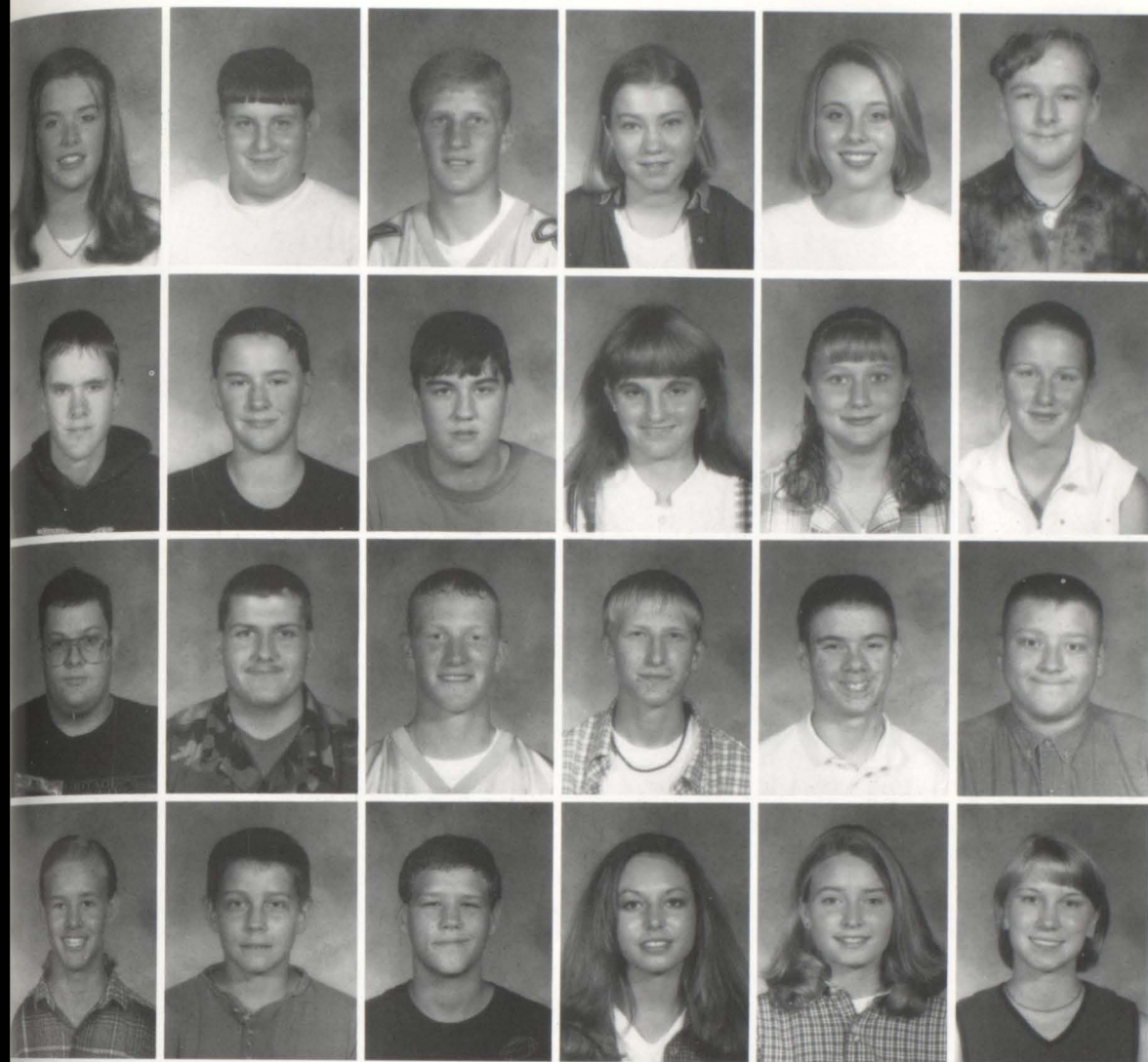


Bobby Barnes
James Beal
Jennifer Beeler
Holly Bell
Amanda Berry
Kim Blankenship



Tana Blanton
Blake Bosse
Jessica Bradshaw
Brooke Bressie
Kayla Buchholz
Vern Buck





Onna Bushong
Landon Buttram
Dustin Cain
Myranda Cantrell
Amanda Cash
Jesse Chandler

Joseph Chastain
Michael Chastain
Tommy Cooper
Kristen Deeds
Jennifer Deener
Sarah Delcour

James Dodd
Joey Dodd
Chet Douglass
Ryan Duey
Jeremy Edwards
Joshua Evans

Shane Fair
Luke Flageolle
Amos French
Leah Gaddis
Leanna Gaston
Amanda Gould



Watching one of many Panther football games, sophomores Erin Housley, Laura Strong, and Jaime Peterson enjoy a Friday night together. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*



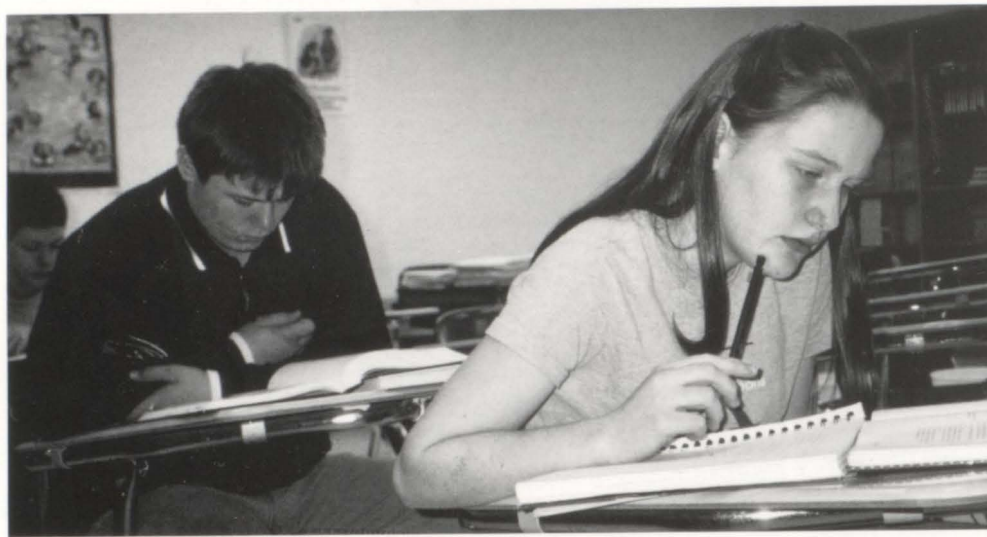
Working diligently on the sophomores Homecoming float, sophomores Amanda Berry and Tana Blanton attempt to find a way to keep the football jersey attached to the goal post on their float. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*

Looking over the Electronics Department at Ozark Technical Center sophomore Josh Evans, right, takes advantage of his opportunity to see what OTC offers high school graduates. Counselor Libby Bowie took all interested sophomores on a trip to Springfield to visit the campus. *Photo courtesy Libby Bowie*

Studying for their next World History test sophomores Sarah Delcour and Brandon Shannon, below, concentrate in Mr. Hutchinson's class. *Photo by Carrie Stratton*



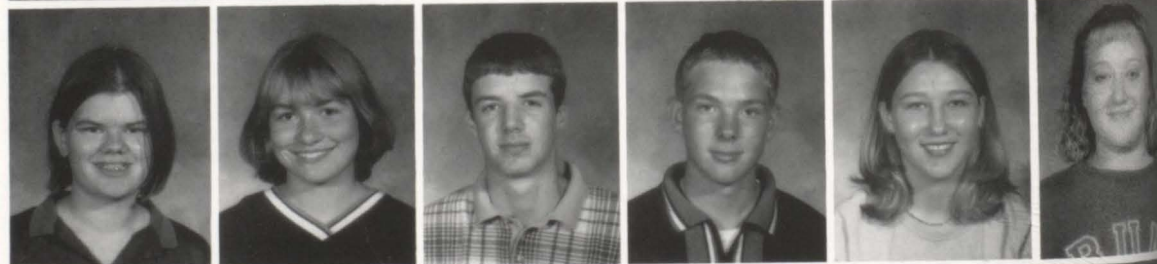
Getting a laugh out of her activities in Spanish class below, sophomore Monica Kaltman enjoys her experiences at school. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*



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Rocky Hendrix
Tyler Hensley
Amanda Hicks

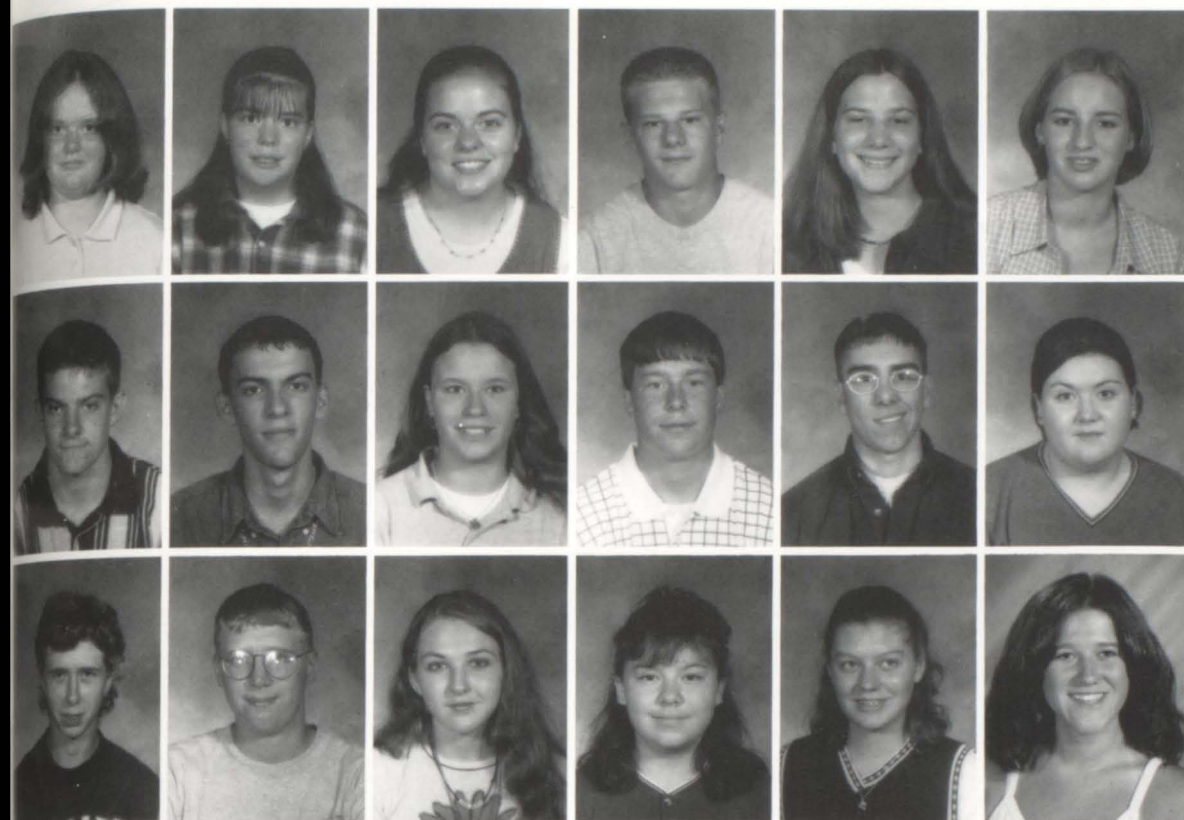


Darla Hicks
Becca Holee
Michael Holycross
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Erin Housley
Destiney Hutsell



Heath Jarrett
Josh Jones
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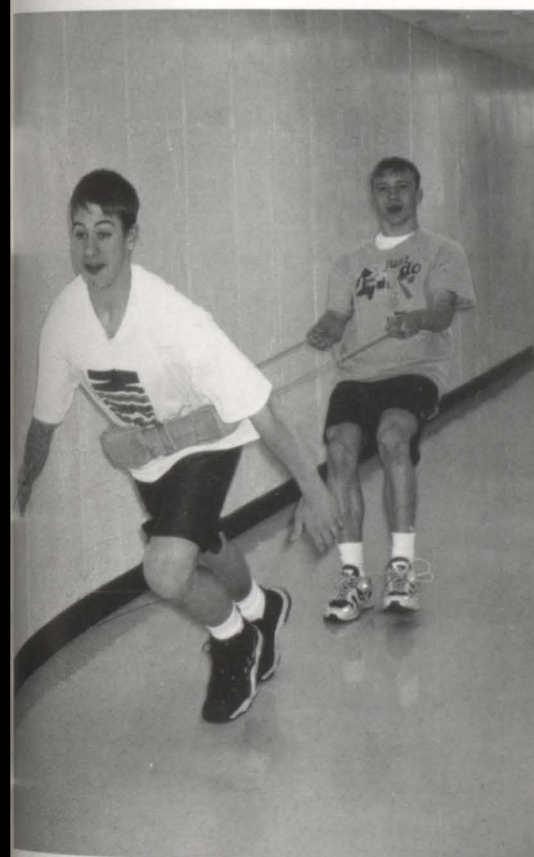




Kim Kildow
Jenny Kramer
Staci Krider
Jamie Kutz
Vickie LaCroix
Danetta Lathrom

Danny Lawson
Josh Looper
Colleen Lynch
Josh Mackey
Anthony Massey
Amber McCollum

Marty McCollum
Josh Meierotto
Jolena Mitchell
Larrea Moreno
Nicole Morris
Ashley Noel



In the tunnel, above, sophomores Matt Jones and Tyler Owens work on an agility drill as part of their work in fitness class. Photo by Jessica Peterson

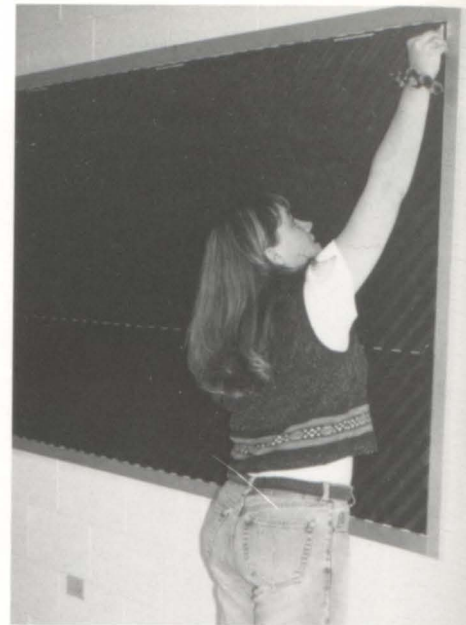
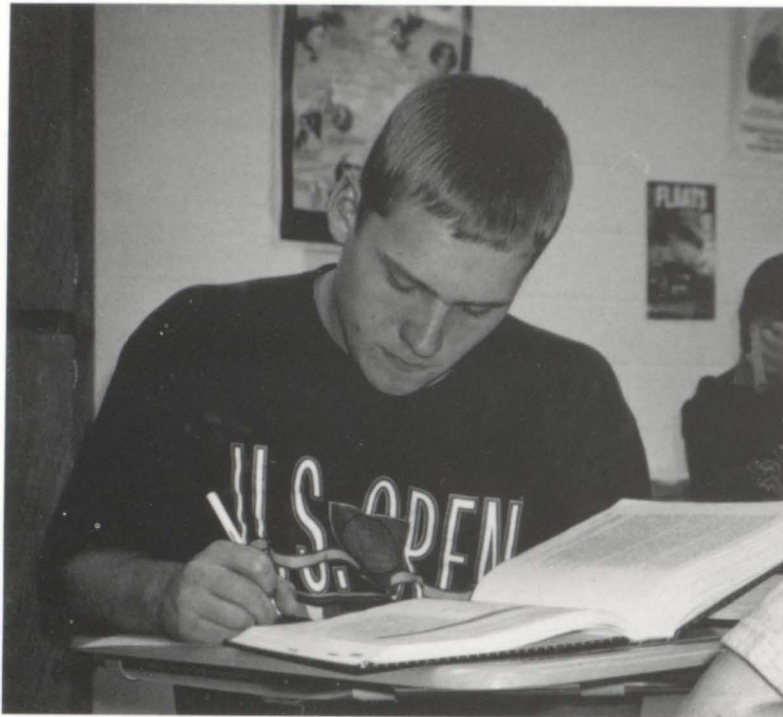


Entertaining the spectators at the annual Homecoming Parade, above, sophomore band member Tiffany Whitworth performs with the colorguard. Photo by Jerrod Stearnes

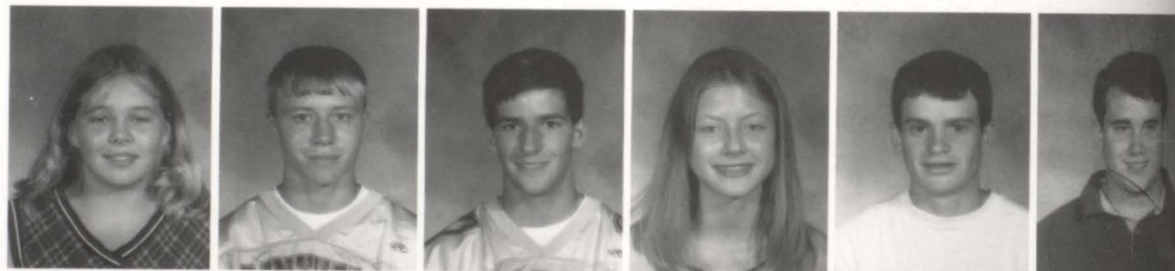
Fitting paper onto the display board outside of Mrs. Matherly's room, right, sophomore Beth Shaw prepares a Christmas bulletin board. *Photo by Penny Carmon*

Visiting with Frosty during a visit from the Santa Express, below right, sophomore Jarred Harrison fulfills his duties as a JROTC cadet who helped with the event. *Photo by Ashley Emery*

Working diligently to complete his assignment, right, sophomore Mark Short works hard to keep up his grade point average. *Photo by Carrie Stratton*



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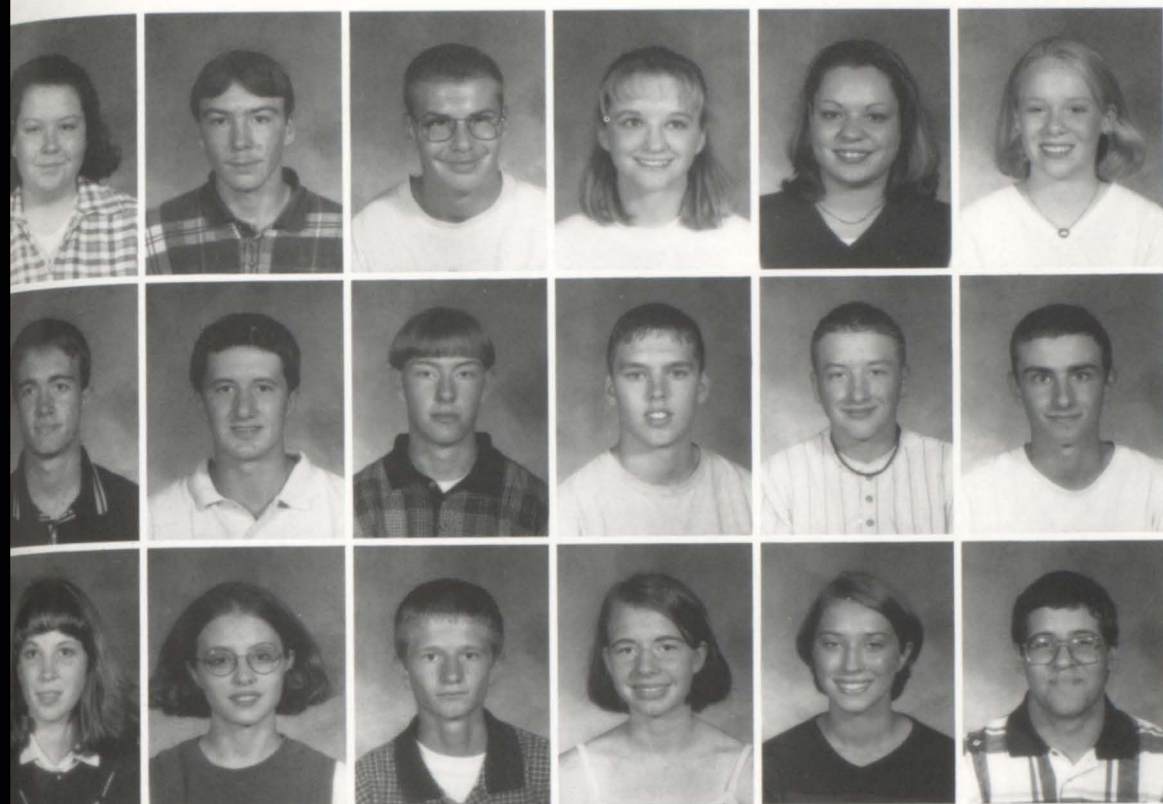


Katie Randall
Kris Roderick
Jaime Rogers
John Sanford
Andrea Shannon
Brandon Shannon



Beth Shaw
Mark Short
Brandi Smith
Doti Smith
Jody Spanton
Tim Sparks





Angela Splain
Robert Spoonemore
Roger Spoonemoore
Stephanie Stigall
Laura Strong
Vanilyn Tapp

Matthew Thompson
Toby Thompson
Richard Turnbull
Jeremy Turner
Evan Tyrrell
Jason Vandivort

Ruthanna Wade
Alesha Walker
Grant Watson
Holly Whanger
Tiffany Whitworth
Ryan Zickmund



...emonstrating his bull riding gear, right, sophomore
...thony Massey gives a speech in Mrs. Buffington's
...ss. Massey was injured in a late summer rodeo and
...ssed several weeks of school. Photo by Brent Dugger



Discussing the pronunciation of a
word in Spanish, left, sophomores Jes-
sica Bradshaw and Kayla Buchholz,
help each other out in Mrs. Moore's
Spanish class. Photo by Jessica Peterson



Enjoying her break between classes,
sophomore Danetta Lathrom collects
her books for her next class, left. Photo
by Jessica Peterson

CLASS OF 2000 MOVES TOWARDS THE EDGE

WHAT WOULD YOU DO FOR A MILLION DOLLARS?

"When you have a million dollars, ask me then."

SAMANTHA DENNIS, PRESIDENT

"For a million dollars? I would do a lot of things, but not anything!"

MICHELLE BROOS, VICE PRESIDENT

"Are you crazy!? I would do anything!! Why not? It's money."

JODI CHERNOWSKY, SECRETARY

"I would shave my head and drag my closest friends along with me."

AMY BRUMMET, TREASURER

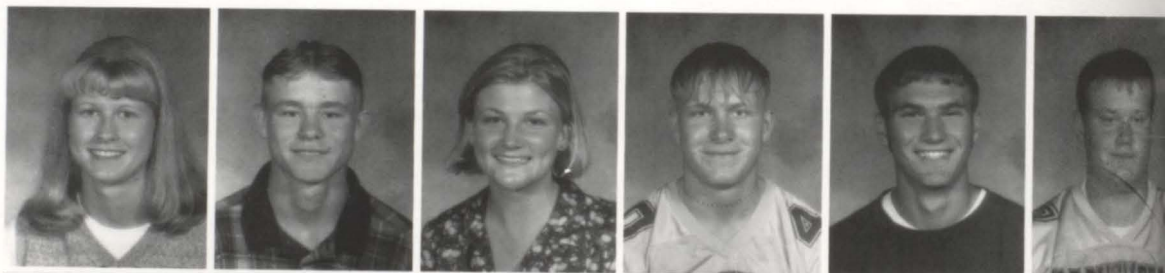
"How about you give me a million dollars so I can see what it's worth!"

JAMIE RANEY, GIRL REPRESENTATIVE



Junior class officers, above, Michelle Broos-Vice-President, Jodi Chernowsky-Secretary, Nathan Fry-Boy Rep., Jamie Raney-Girl Rep., Amy Brummet-Treasurer, Samantha Zid-President

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Lane Baldwin
Kevin Beck
Jonny Bell
Shane Blankenship

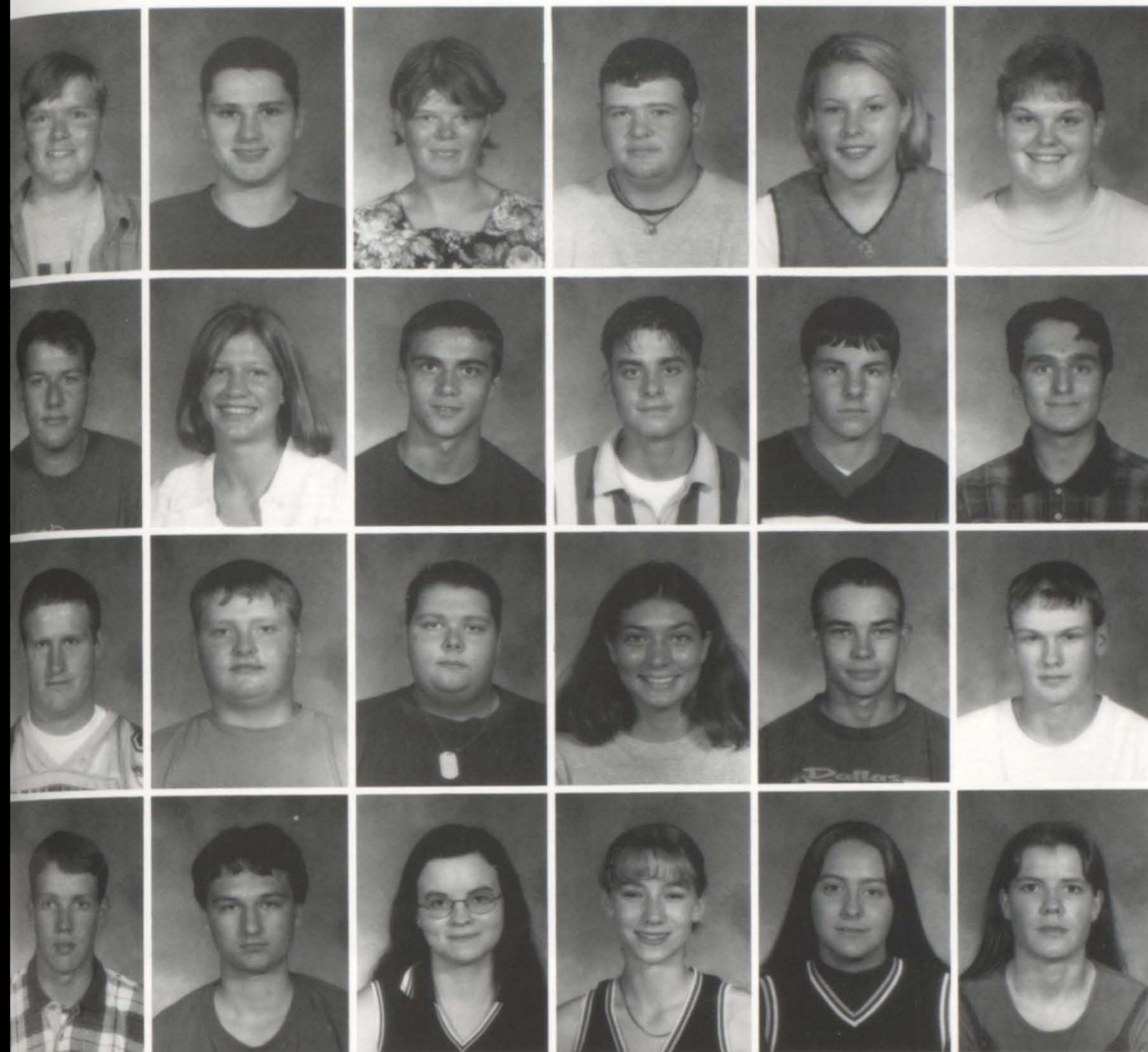


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Jared Bradshaw
Amber Bridges
Michelle Broos
Amy Brown
Amy Brummet



John Bryant
Kerry Burd
Lindsay Campbell
Jodi Chernowsky
Stefanie Coble
Jennifer Coffman



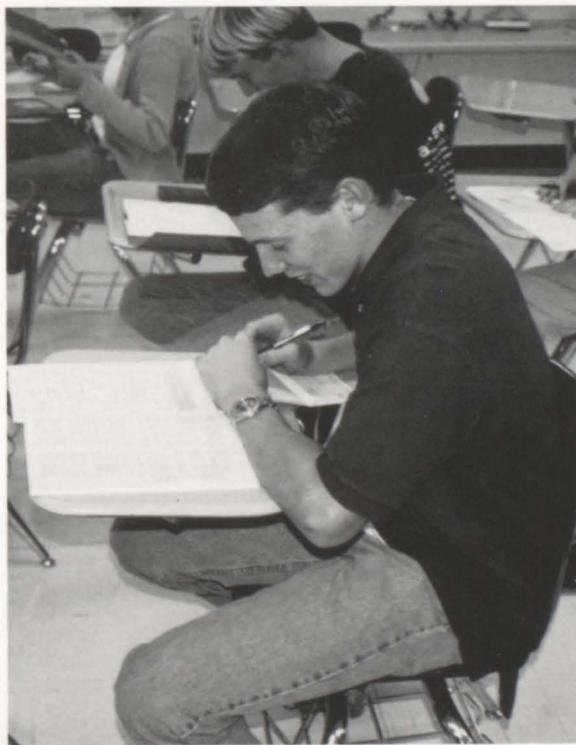
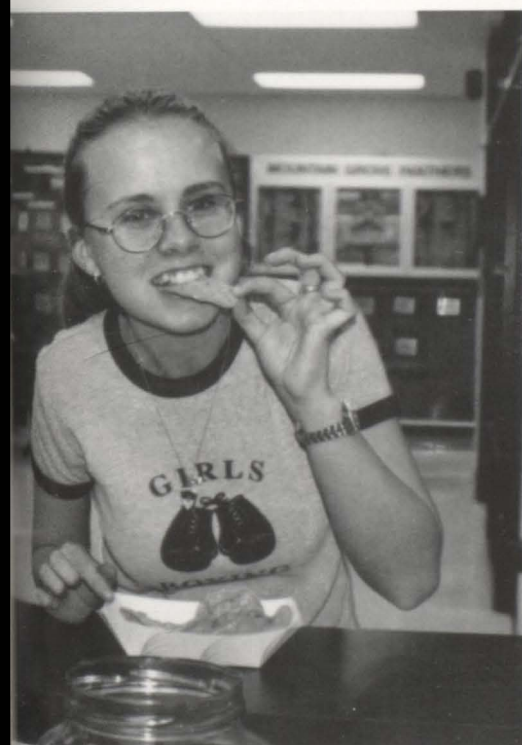


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Annette Creed
Anthony Crisp
Cindy Curran
Jennah Davidson

Mike Delcour
Samantha Dennis
Simon Doroscan
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Steven Earnest

Loren Eilenstine
Dustin Ellis
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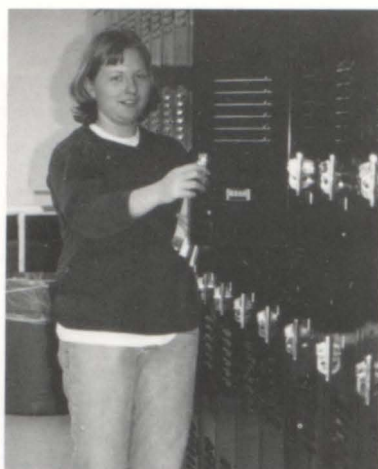
Enjoying nachos from the concession stand at the Chiefs versus area coaches basketball game sponsored by the junior class, Jodi Chernowsky, far left, takes a break from her duties. *Photo by Jamie Raney*

Finding a little humor in his Basic Business assignment, junior Jeremy Emery, left, works hard to finish his assignment in Mrs. Matherly's Basic Business class. *Photo by Brent Dugger*

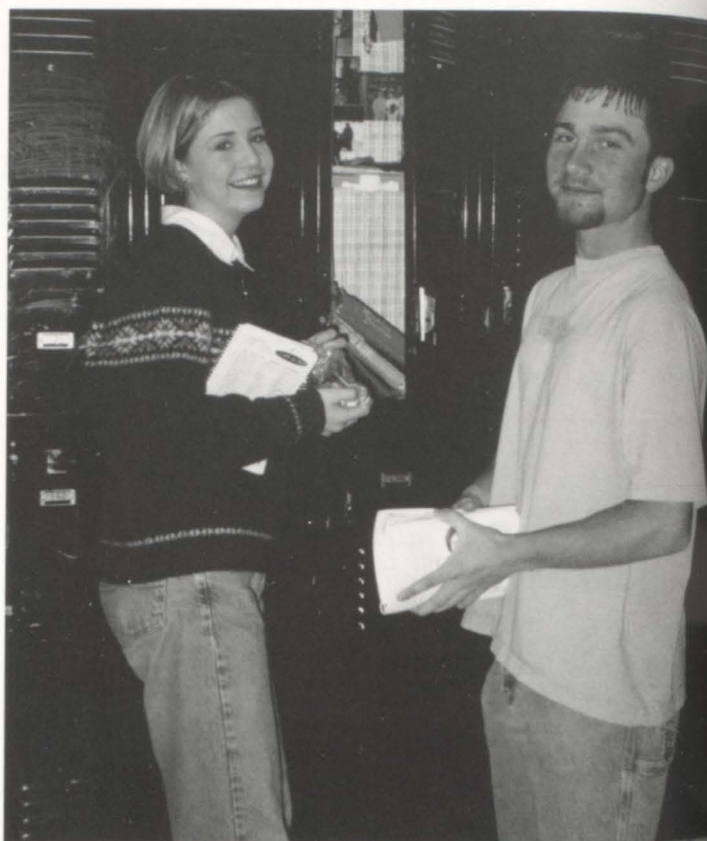
Returning to her locker, right, junior Tracy Todd collects her books for her next class. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*

Checking out Big Al's muscles, below right, juniors Aaron Volk and Al Dowden take a break in Fitness class. *Photo by Jessica Peterson*

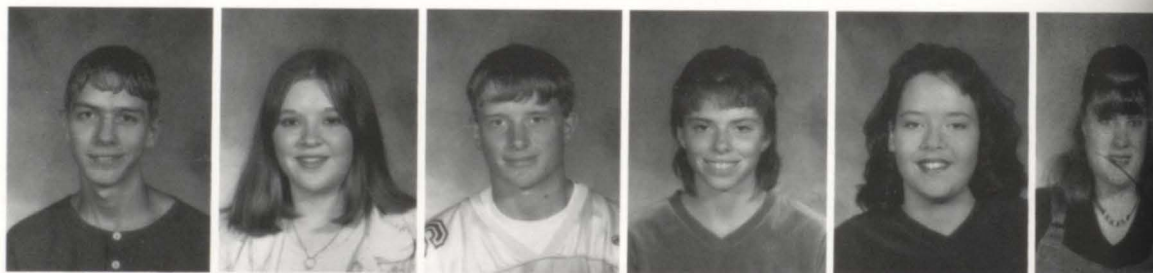
Taking a break from fund raising activities for their class, below, juniors Jamie Raney, Leslie Sheppard, and Stacey Allen flash big smiles at the camera. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*



Taking a few minutes to visit at their lockers, below, juniors Chase Rogers and Kayla Shannon collect their books before heading to the next class. *Photo by Rachelle Douglass*



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Danielle Fry
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Cherry Fullington
Charity Gault
Christina Gittings

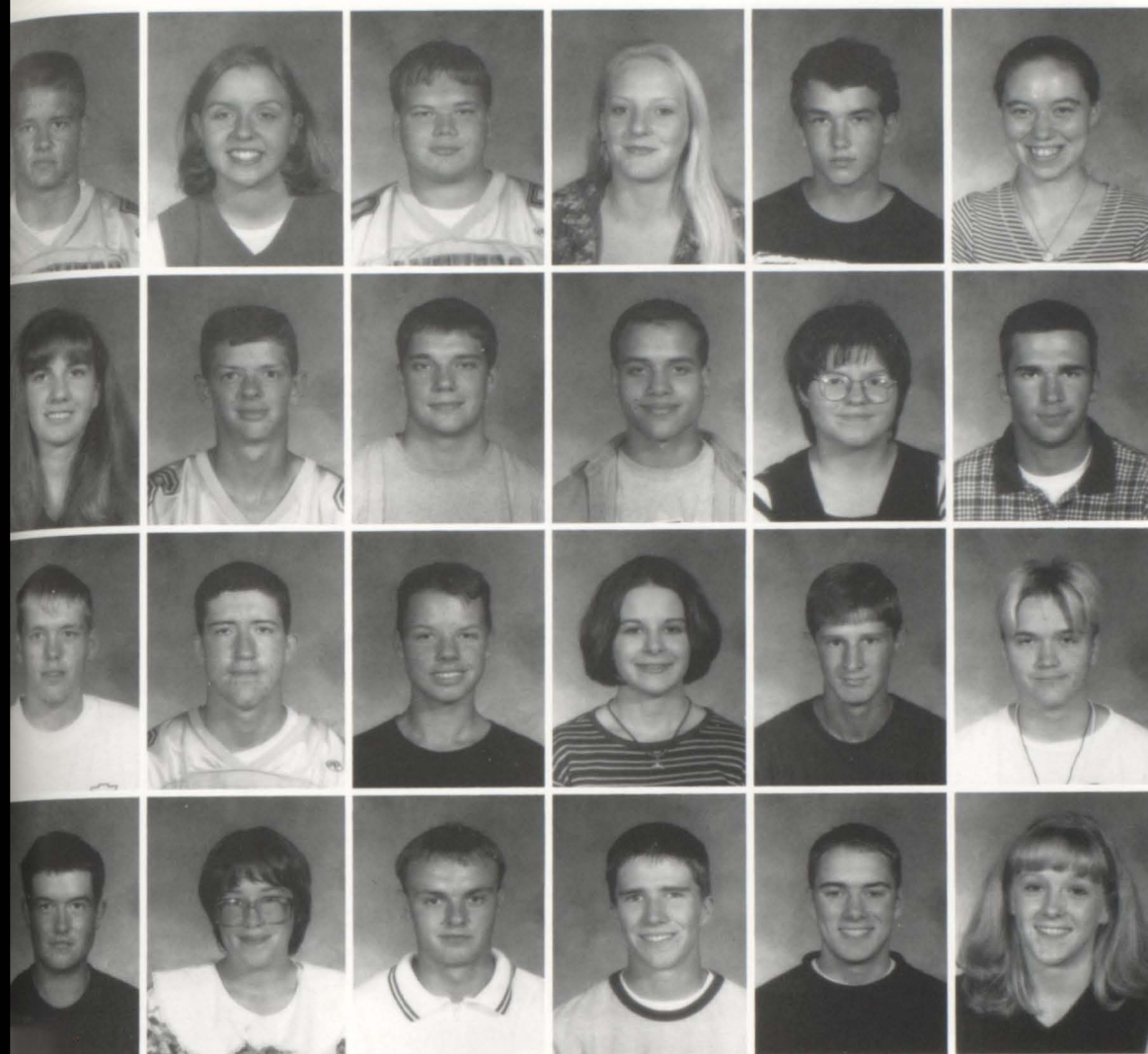


Jason Glenn
Sam Goin
Stephanie Gonzales
Genny Gordon
Billy Graham
Kristie Hensley



J.D. House
Jeff Ice
Chris Iott
Nathan Jarrett
Jessica Klingensmith
Cody Knaak





Josh Kumpula
Sarah Laird
Dusty Lee
Nikki Lee
Ben Leggins
Dawn Libby

Heather Linton
Jeremy Looper
Jon Marquis
Chris Mayberry
Amanda Mayfield
Richard McGowan

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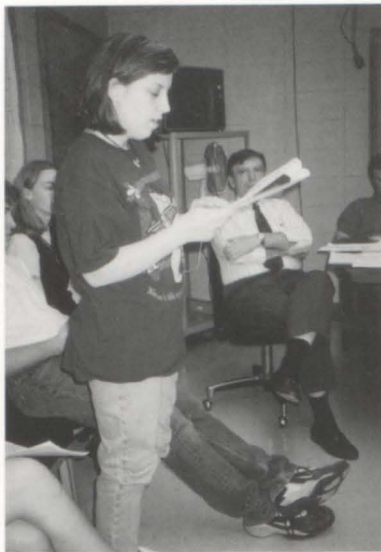


Warming the bench with members of the Kansas City Chiefs football team, juniors Stephanie Gonzales and Jessica Klingensmith, left, enjoy hanging out with the celebrities as junior Shane Blankenship looks on from the scorers table. The juniors sponsored the event for the second year as a fundraiser. *Photo by Jamie Raney*

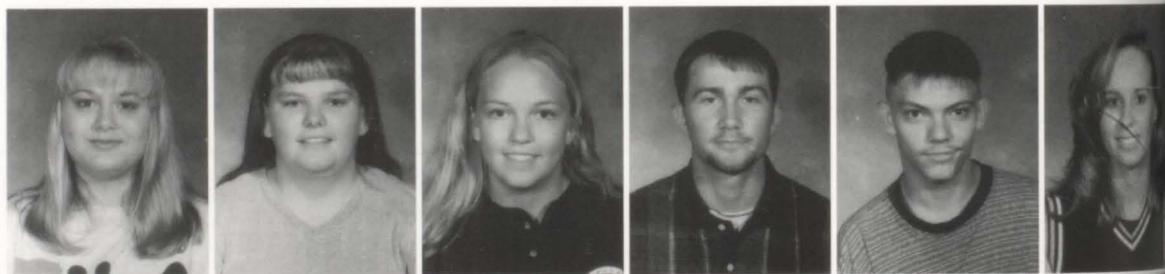
Showing off her janitorial skills, far right, junior Samantha Dennis enjoys late night decorating for prom. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*

Making a presentation to the school board, right, junior Shawnee Strunk participates in a feasibility study project for English class. *Photo courtesy Connie Killgore*

Hanging out in the locker room with members of the Kansas City Chiefs football team, below, juniors Cindy Curran, Lane Baldwin, and Sarah Laird are entertained by the professional players who came to MGHS as a part of a junior class fundraiser. *Photo by Jamie Raney.*



Andrea Rhoads
Courtney Rhodes
Lyndse Robertson
Chase Rogers
Johnny Rogers
Bethany Roy



Tanya Sapp
Kayla Shannon
Tracy Shannon
Leslie Sheppard
Dacie Singleton
Crystal Smith

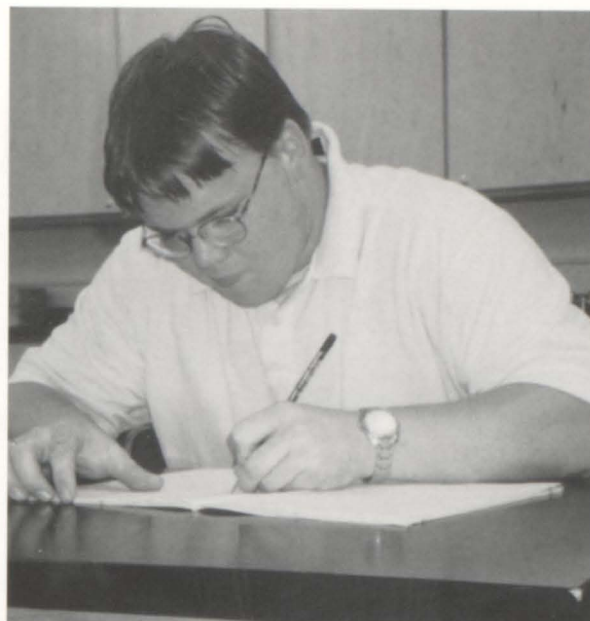


Lyndall Spangler
Randy Sparks
Shawnee Strunk
Ray Sutton
Maxine Szura
Jared Templeton





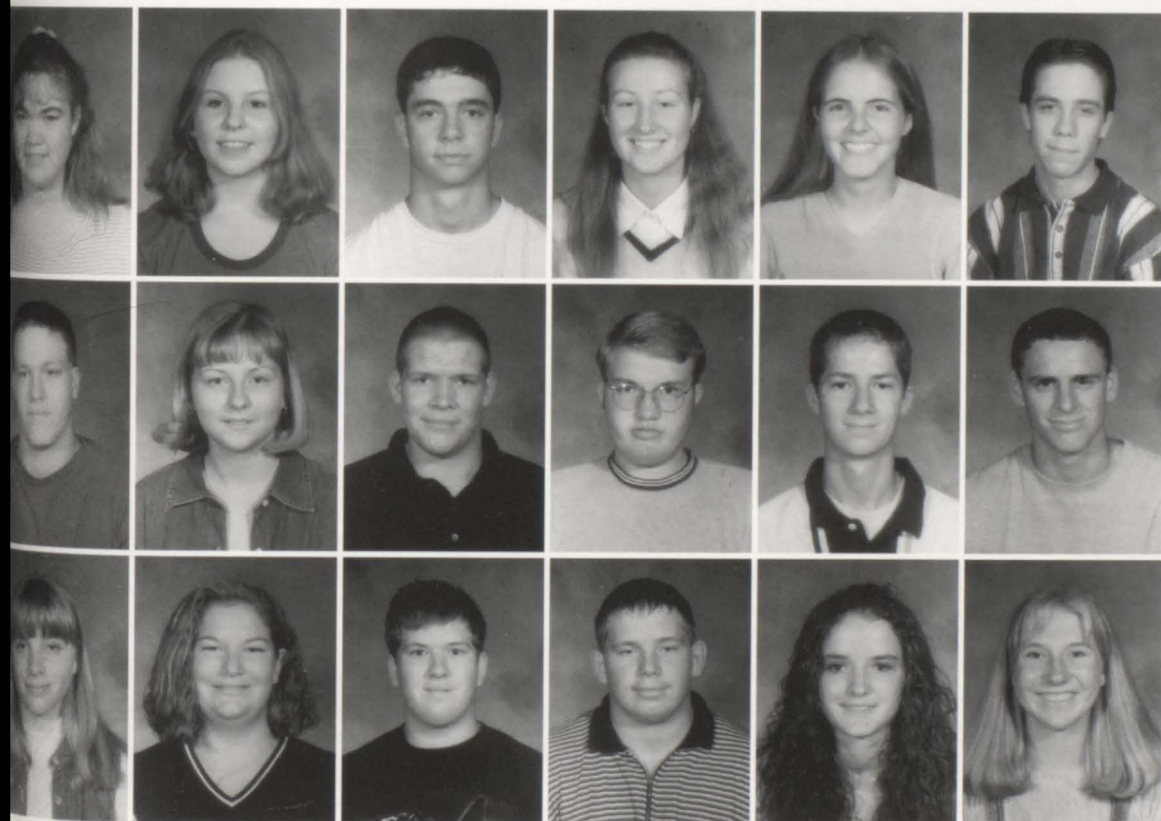
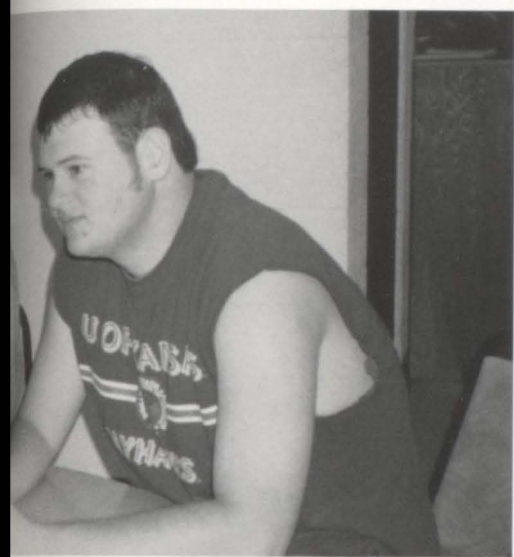
Decorating for prom, juniors Michelle Zid and Heather Todd, far left, enjoy their work. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*



Concentrating intently, junior Dusty Lee, left, takes the Communication Arts section of the MAP, a new test required by the state. *Photo by Heath Housley*

Waiting for instructions from Tammy, junior Anthony Crisp, below left, serves as an office TA. *Photo by Heath Housley*

Working together, juniors Christina Flageolle, Leslie Sheppard and Jill Lakey, below, decorate for prom. *Photo by Kayla Shannon*



Crystal Thompson
Jennifer Thompson
Eric Thornhill
Patti Tornhill
Heather Todd
James Todd

Jeremy Todd
Tracy Todd
J.R. Top
Josh Turner
Ryan Turner
Aaron Volk

Dara Wade
Kristie Weatherly
Robert Winstead
Timothy Wiyrick
Brandy Young
Michelle Zid

Friendship is very important to teenagers, especially seniors preparing to say goodbye to their high school years and many good friends. Seniors Bo Parker and Dustin "Buck" Sheppard take a break to share another fun and memorable moment. Photo by Brent Dugger



Seniors '99

Picture me rollin' ... in
your car!"

-Rodney Thompson

"People look up to you as a
senior. I can really tell a
change since my freshman
year."

-Robert Singleton

"Living in a small town
means having no
secrets."

-Jaime Ramsey

"Senioritis
makes me not
want to do
anything
because, really,
what's the
point?"

-Tara Shaw

"We're suppose
to do
assignments?
That might
explain my
grades."

-A.J. Watson



Preparing the bulletin board in the English hallway for Christmas seniors Jessica Peterson and Rachelle Douglass attempt to put their art skills to work. Photo by Carrie Stratton

"Mr. Top is wicked
bad."

-Kelly Williams

"My favorite project was
the project to get class
flirt."

-Jared Byerly

"What work? I am a
senior!"

-Carrie Stratton

"Do what you wanna
do, just stay alive."

-Jesse Denison

The MGHS senior class of 1999 found their senior year to be an enjoyable edition to their high school careers. Although they were plagued with senioritis at times they managed to successfully complete the year and become of alumni of Mtn. Grove.

MEMORIES

From kindergarten to graduation, seniors have remembered some very special moments.

"Our class has always been crazy. Our freshman year, Jerrod 'Papa Stearnzy' Stearnes jumped out of Mrs. Breedlove's second story window for four dollars." -Jesse Denison

"One of my favorite memories happened at the beginning of this year when some of us senior girls thought it would be funny to initiate the freshmen to the high school. We ran up the stairs, pretending to be policeman. We ordered them to put their hands on their lockers. Angela, Penny, Jessica, and Tara ended up getting called to the office for it." -Heidi Sonnenschein

"Whenever we have been faced with a tragedy or complication, our class has always stood by each other and helped each other through it." -Jerrod Stearnes

"One night Jesse and I went to Springfield and decided to stop by Pet Warehouse to waste time. Jesse went over by the dogs and when he came back he had this guy with him. The guy kept trying to convince us to give him a ride to Harpo's. When we wouldn't give in, he turned to me and said, 'Come on, I'll turn you on or something.' We left very mad." - A.J. Watson

"In third grade, Tara and I decided to run away from school. We stole licorice and our class's snacktime milk. We ran to the bridge by the playground, got scared, and then decided to go back." -Jaime Ramsey



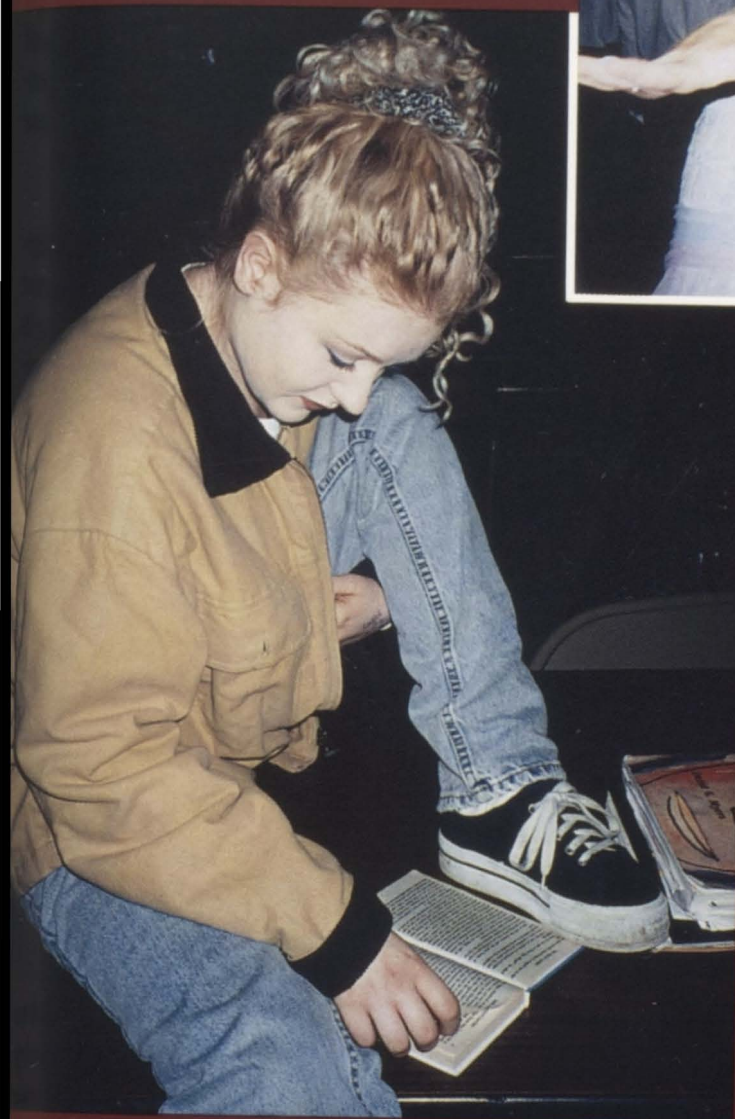
Jaime Ramsey-president
Sherrie Harley-secretary
Penny Carmon-girl rep

Tara Shaw-vice president
Ann Kaps-treasurer
Danny Bohnenkamp-boy rep

Senior Class Officers

...ing themselves at the 1999 "Don't Wanna Miss A
 ... Junior-Senior Prom, seniors Angela Dunham, Penny
 ... Tara Shaw, and Heidi Sonnenschein, right, have a
 ... sharing the spotlight. Photo by Chas Rogers

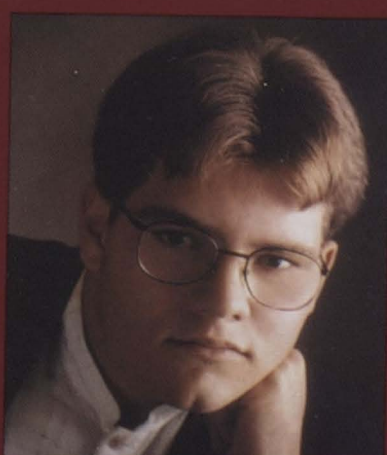
...ing her education at Mtn. Grove High School,
 ... Sarah Crisp, below, reads the famous novel "The
 ... Gatsby" for Les Top's English 4 College Prep class.
 ... by Rachelle Douglass



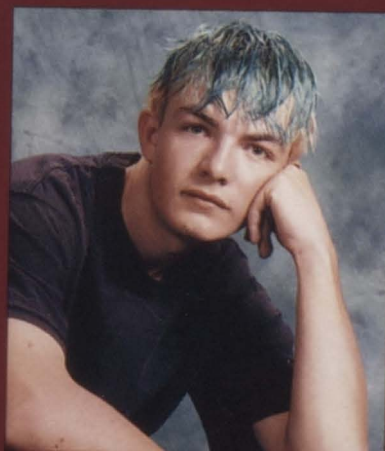
Competing in the Ozark Mountain Technical Center Building Trades' wheel barrell races, seniors Chris Tinsley and Dustin "Buck" Sheppard wait at the starting line. The Building Trades class had this and other activities at their open house in April, above. Photo by Mindy Lee



Nellie Allen



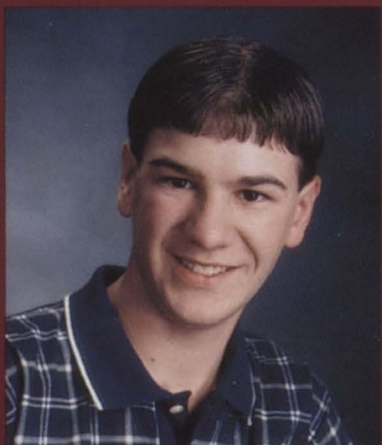
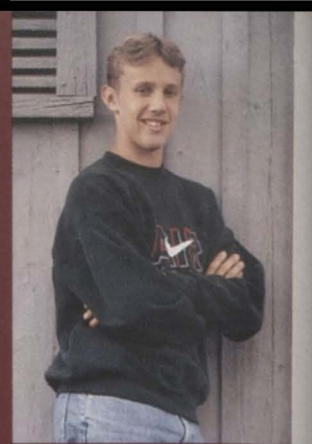
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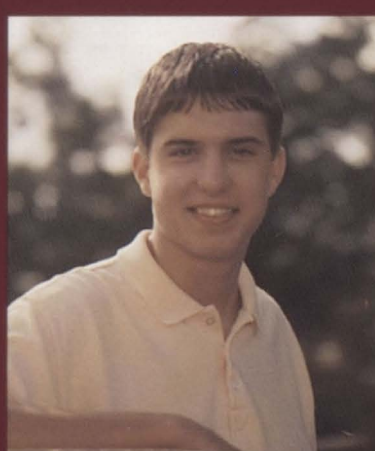
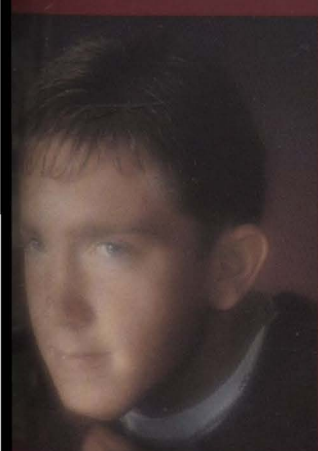
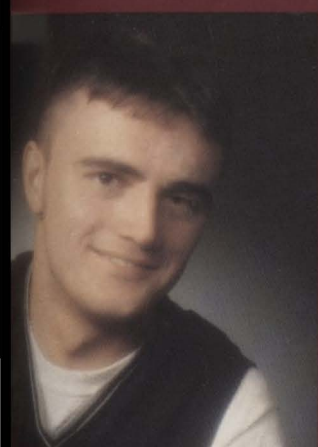
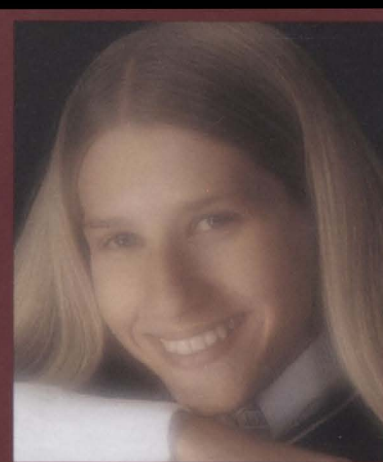
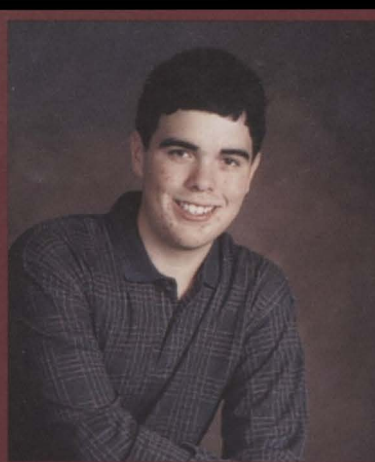
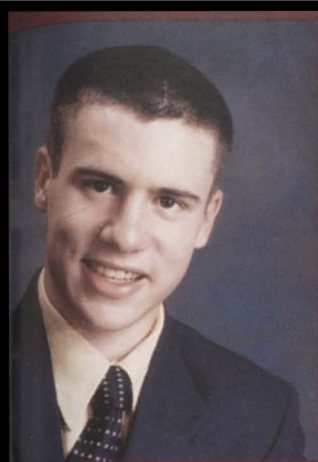


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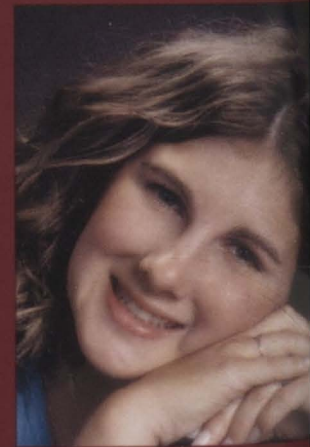
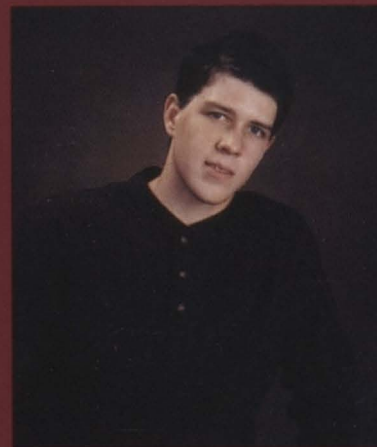
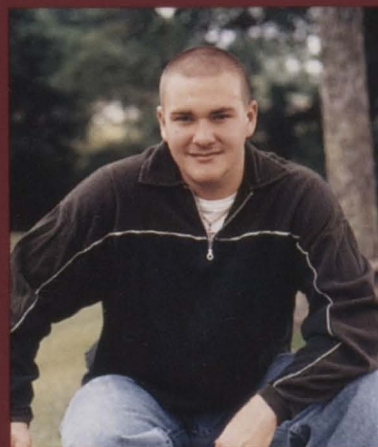
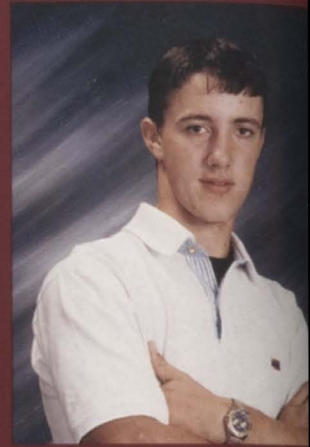
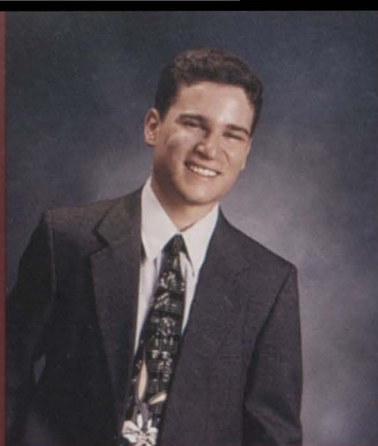


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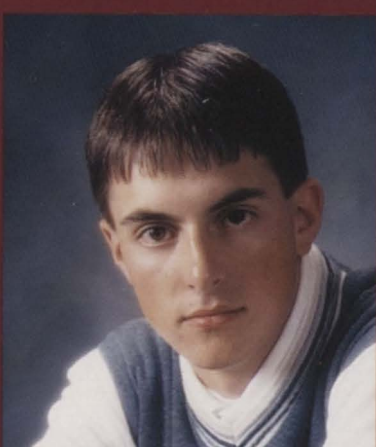
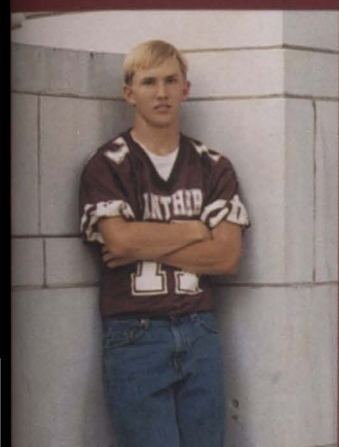
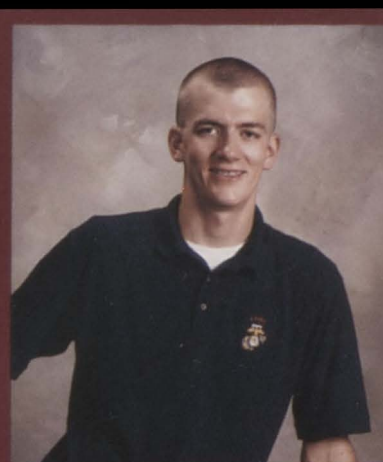


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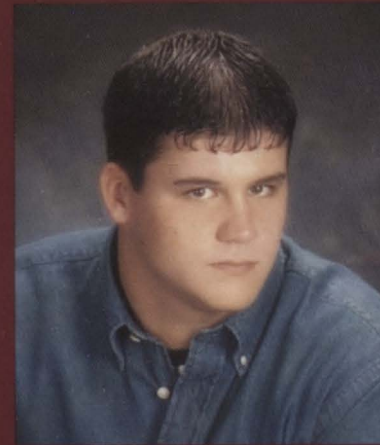
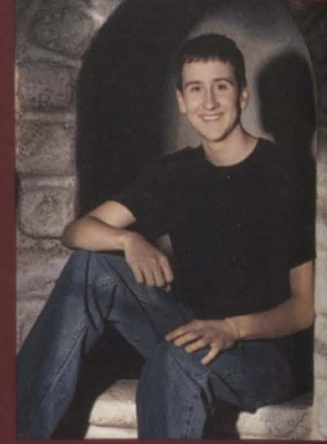
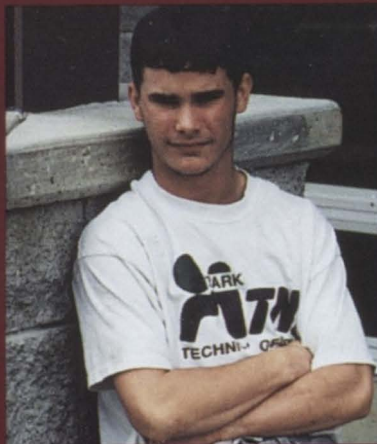


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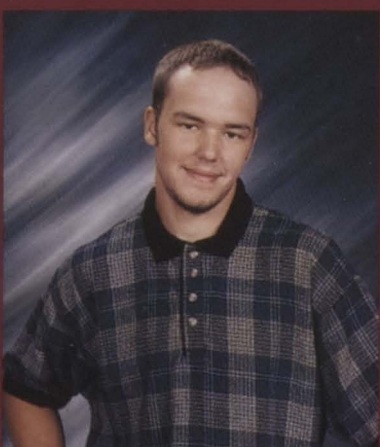
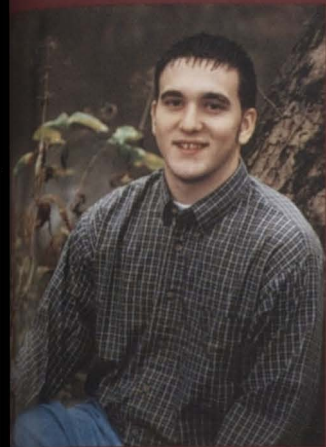
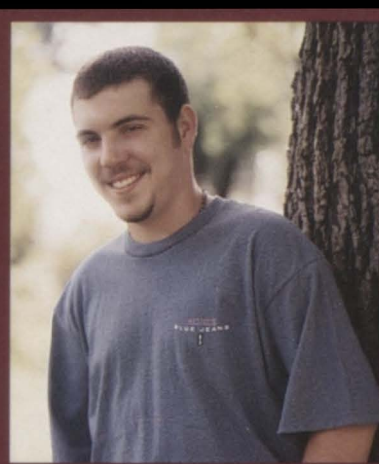
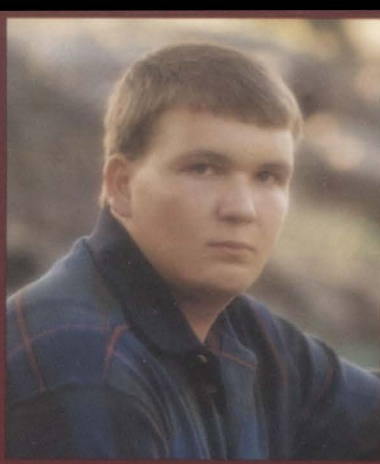


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Douglas Simpson

Robert Singleton
Nicholas Skyles
Cathy Smith
Daniel Smith



Heidi Sonnenschein
 Jerrod Stearnes
 Danielle Stowers
 Carrie Stratton

Michael Thompson
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 Rodney Thompson
 Chris Tinsley

Regina Tooley
 Teasha Turner
 Elva Upshaw
 Leanna Wallace

Adam Watson
 Mike Weaver
 Amanda White
 Kelly Williams

Class of '99

Senior Notables



Most Athletic
Jared Doty & Penny Carmon



Best Actor/Actress
Allison Curry & Nathaniel Barbe



Most School Spirit
Angela Dunham & Jerrod Stearnes



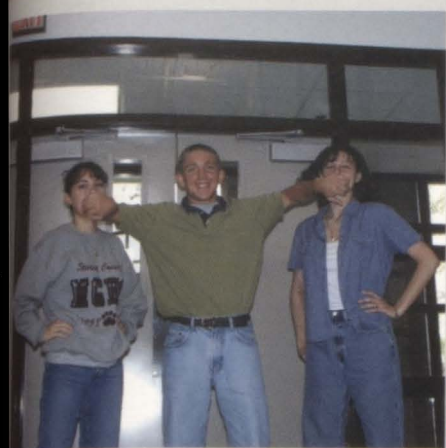
Most Studious
Larissa Buchholz & Barry Gilley



Craziest Personality
Cathy Smith & Jesse Denison



Best Legs
Tara Shaw & Jared Doty



Most Talkative

Carrie Stratton, Stephanie Rich & Jared Doty



Class Clowns

Penny Carmon & Jesse Denison



Best Singers

Micki McCune & Daniel Hancock

Best Musicians

Micki McCune, Jaime Ramsey & Steve Gates



Best Artist

Allison Curry & Jeff Moore



Most Likely to Succeed

Jessica Peterson & Nathaniel Barbe



Best Hair

Heidi Sonnenschein & Heath Housley



Funniest Laugh

Micki McCune & Jared Doty



Best Smile

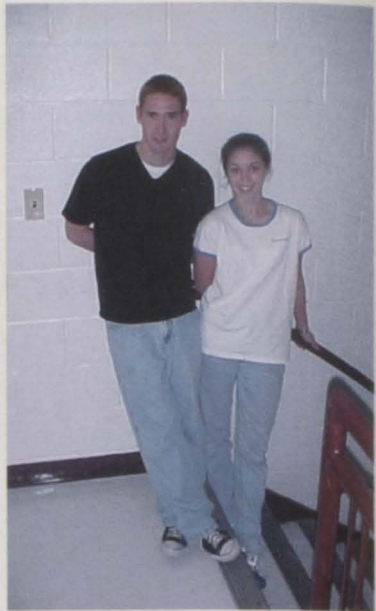
Jaime Ramsey & Brent Dugger



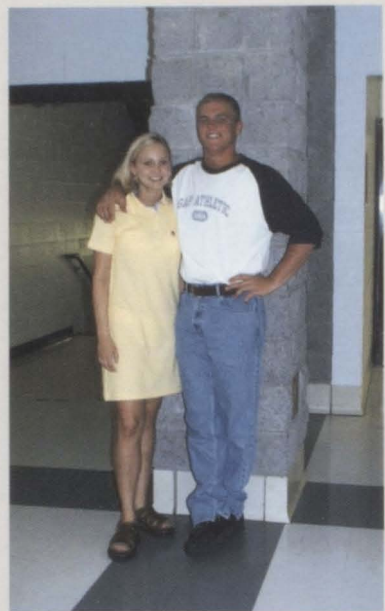
Prettiest Eyes

Carrie Stratton, Tara Shaw, Dustin Sheppard & Jared Doty

Most Chivalrous
Jaime Ramsey & Steve Gates



Best Looking
Tara Shaw and Heath Housley



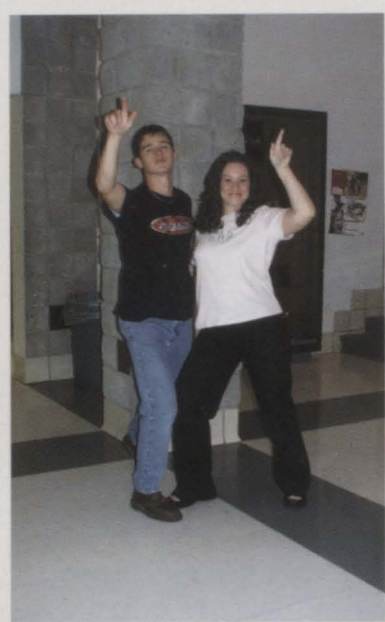
Wildest Fashion Sense
Cathy Smith & Travis Barnes



Most Stylish
Jessica Peterson, Tara Shaw & Heath Housley



Best Dancers
Heidi Sonnenschein and Jared Byerly



Best Sense Of Humor
Tara Shaw and Jesse Denison



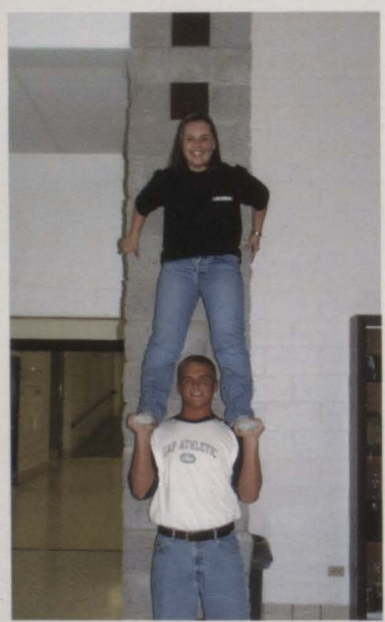
Biggest Smile
Carrie Stratton & Jared Byerly



Most Likely To Become Famous
Tara Shaw, Jessica Peterson & Jesse Denison



Most Outspoken
Jessica Peterson & Heath Housley





Most Popular
Angela Dunham & Heath Housley



Friendliest
Jaime Ramsey, Tana Krider & Heath Rodgers



Class Couple
Sherrie Hurley & Dusty Shelton



Biggest Rebel & Life Of The Party
Angela Dunham & Heath Housley



Most Outgoing
Jessica Peterson & Jerrod Stearnes



Most Unforgettable
Angela Dunham & Jesse Denison



Best Vehicle
Tara Shaw, Ann Kaps & Jared Doty

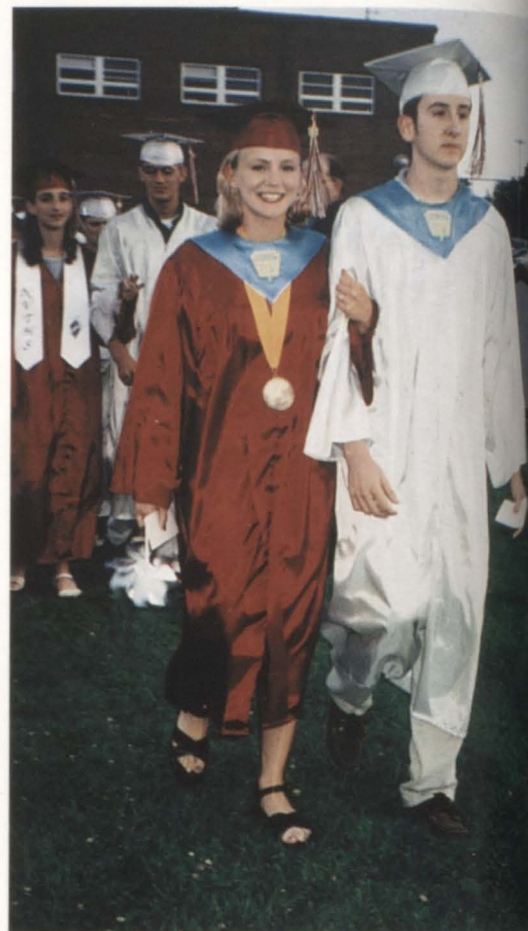
Graduation, May 21st, Panther Stadium

Class of '99

As the band played "Pomp and Circumstance" the MGHS senior class of 1999 found themselves walking across the football field for a final time as MGHS students. For some it was a sad and heartfelt moment, while for others it was a joyous occasion. Most students felt a strong mixture of both as they closed the door on their high school years knowing that now those moments would never again be reality but would forever be memories.



Taking the first steps to their seats, Tara Shaw and Nick Skyles begin a night that they have awaited anxiously for eighteen years. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove



Entering the field of Panther Stadium as the second couple, above, Larissa Bucholz and Barry Gilley lead the way for their following classmates. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove

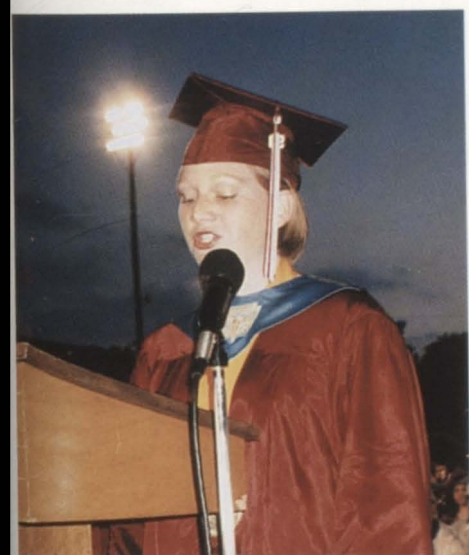
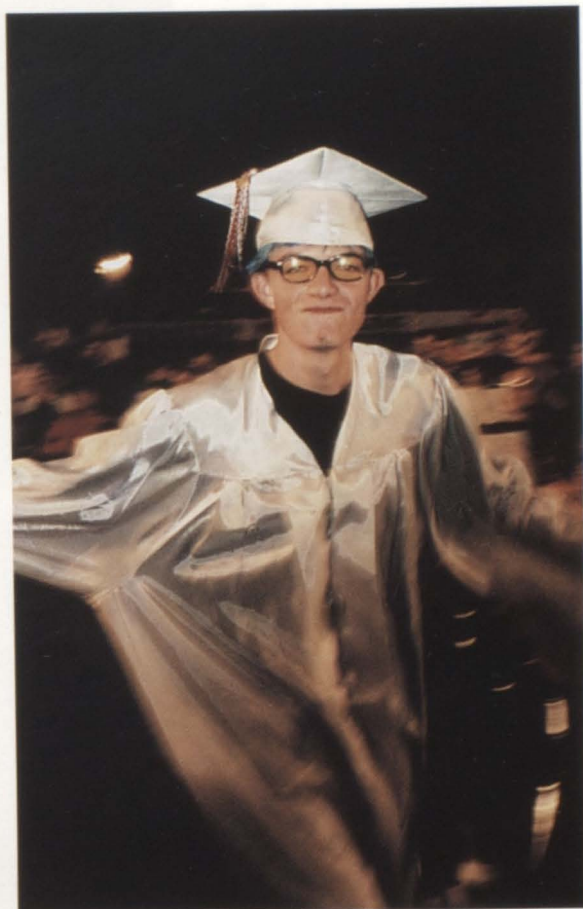
Singing "Oh Precious Lord, Take My Hand" senior choir members, right, Karalin Hall, Faith Cornelius, Daniel Hancock, Micki McCune, Sarah Crisp, Jennifer McClure and Jaime Ramsey share their last song together at graduation. Photo courtesy Connie Killgore





Proudly displaying her Mountain Grove High School diploma, left, Ranee Hale continues to celebrate after the graduation ceremony has ended. Photo courtesy Connie Killgore

Entertaining the crowd as always, graduate Travis Barnes, below, jumps around with excitement as he realizes high school is now over. Photo courtesy Connie Killgore



Rachelle Douglass,
Valedictorian



Larissa Bucholz,
Salutatorian



Jaime Ramsey,
Class President

Celebrating an American tradition, right, the Mountain Grove High School class of 1999 turns their caps into confetti in the night sky. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove

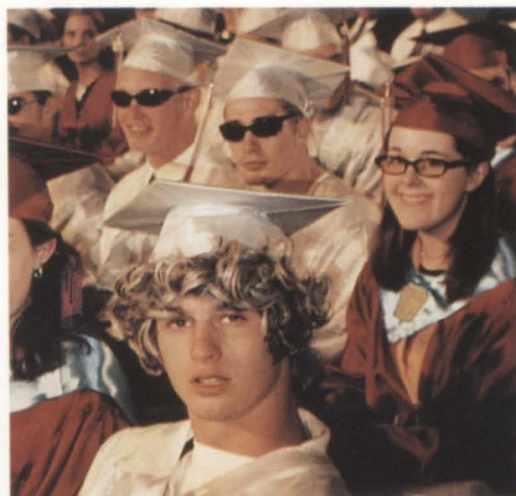
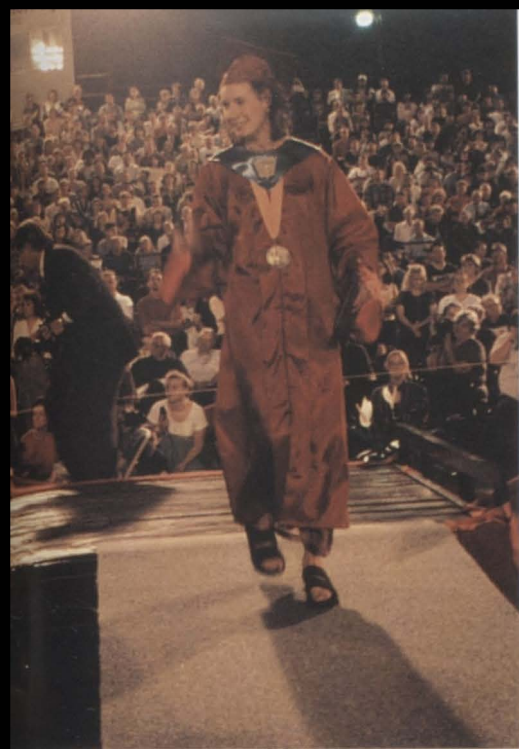
Sharing a moment with family, below right, Iosif Doroscan gives a hug to relatives Daniella Doroscan and Mirela Doroscan, both alumni of MGHS. Photo courtesy Connie Killogre

Showing a great deal of excitement, below, Heath Housley gives a taste of his enthusiasm for the graduation ceremony with Angela Dunham, Clarice Kluey, Dustin Sheppard and Regina Tooley. Photo courtesy Connie Killogre



Shannon McCannon, Sarah Crisp, Danny Bohnenkamp, Willie Allen, Bo Parker, Mandy Hicks, Carl Beasley and Adam Shores wait patiently to receive their diplomas, right. Photo courtesy Connie Killogre





Listening to one of the speakers, left Jared Byerly expresses his uniqueness with a curly wig while Jesse "Cypriss" Denison, Steve "The Villian" Gates, and Allison Curry use sun glasses. Photo courtesy Connie Killgore

Descending off the platform before the crowd at Panther Stadium, Ann Kaps, far left, makes her way back to her chair, diploma in hand. Photo courtesy Connie Killgore



Leading the way onto the field Rachelle Douglass and Jerrod Stearnes show their enthusiasm for the event about to take place, left. Photo courtesy Bev Breedlove

Sharing another tearful but happy moment of their senior year, friends Jessica Peterson and Carrie Stratton give an embrace in Panther Stadium following graduation, far left. Photo courtesy Connie Killgore



Scholarship Winners

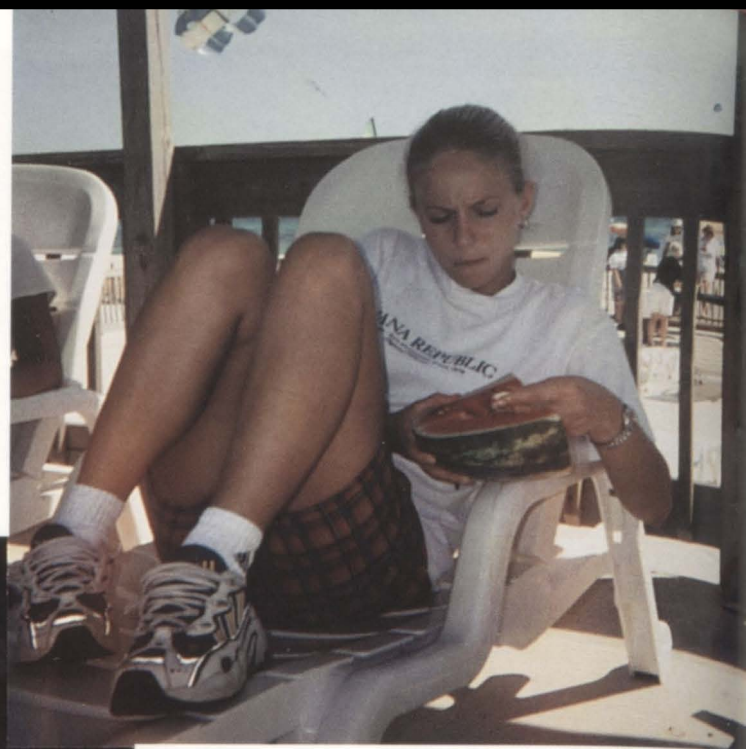
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Top Ten Percent

Rachelle Douglass, Larissa Buchholz, Weslee Long, Jaime Ramsey, Sherrie Hurley, Tara Shaw, Jessica Peterson, Ann Kaps, Angela Dunham, Amanda White

Panama City Beach, Florida~ Senior Trip '99

Nearly 80 members of the MGHS class of '99 departed MG on May 31st at 10:00 pm for a week long adventure and one last time with their class. Plenty was found to see and do upon their arrival in Panama Beach. Seniors found fun through mopeds, jet skis, tatoos, body piercing, laying on the beach, para sailing, enjoying the view and food at Sharky's, Club la Vida, midnight swims, and the enjoyment of spending time with a fun class. The group arrived back in MG on Friday, June 4th to go their seperate ways for the final time.



Ryan Nelson, Dusty Shelton and Sherrie Hurley, above, stop to grab a drink before heading off to have more fun on the beach at night. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

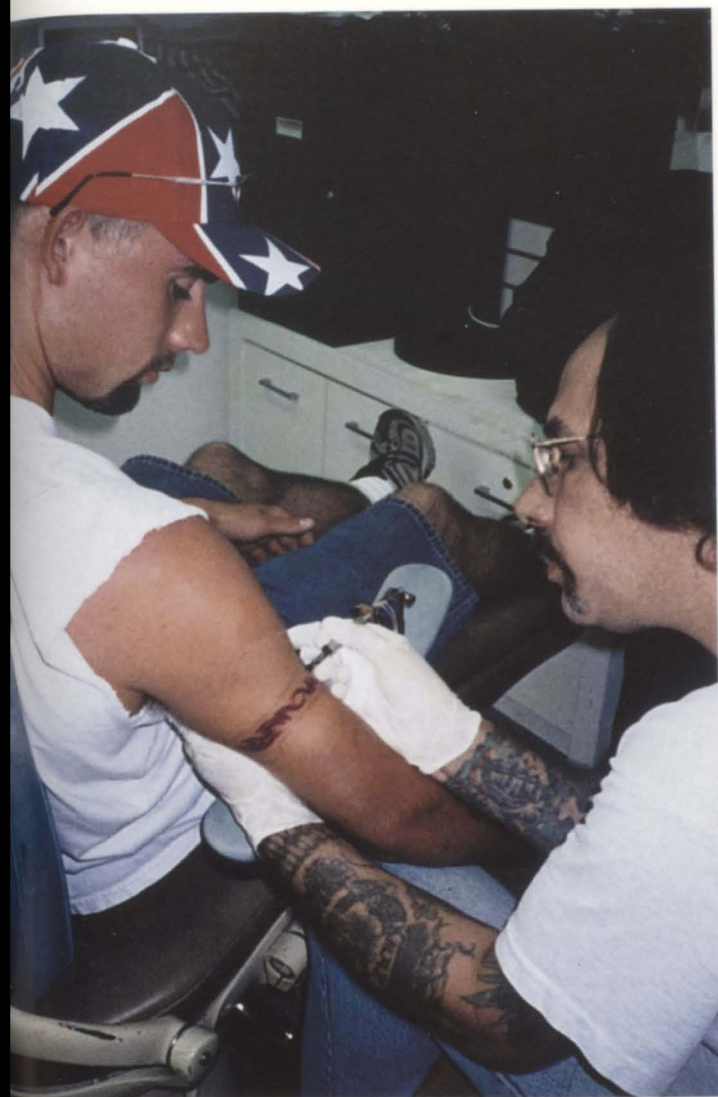


A.J. Watson and Robert Singleton, right, prepare for yet another adventure on Panama Beach, parasailing. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Checking out what is available to eat, middle right, Desirae Fullington, Constance Beyerlein and Sarah Crisp grab a snack during a midnight check-in. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Enjoying a bit of watermelon, top, Tara Shaw takes advantage of the many snacks provided on the trip. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Tasting a bit of the ocean Clarice Kluey and Jared Doty, above, try out the "Shark Bites" at Sharky's, a restaurant located next door to the senior's hotel. Photo by Brent Dugger



Ignoring all the pain, right, Dustin Sheppard watches as the tattoo artist marks him for life. Photo by Jessica Peterson



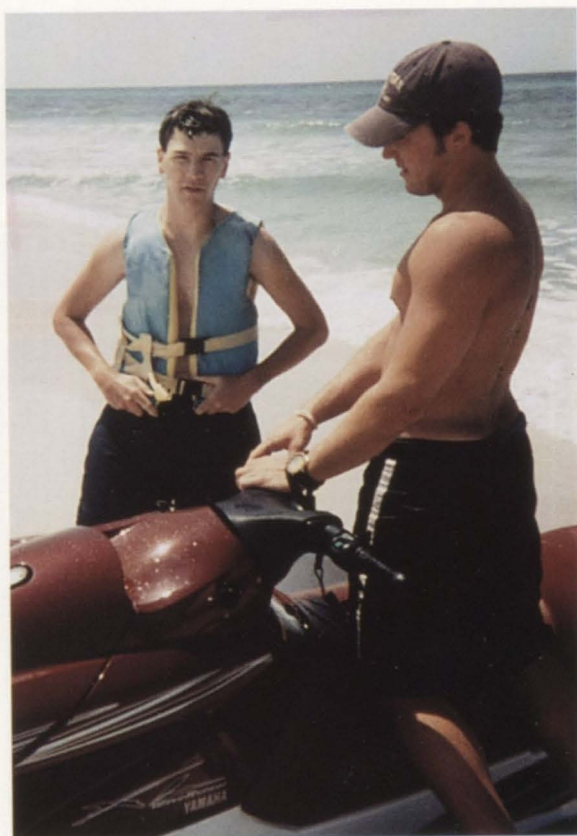
Too excited to wait for their swim-suits after a long bus ride, left, a group of seniors show off their wet clothes after jumping in the ocean. Photo courtesy Diane Byerly

Taking a break from the waves, below, Tara Shaw, Heidi Sonnenschein, Jessica Peterson, Jaime Ramsey, Jared Doty, Angela Dunham, Penny Carmon, Carrie Stratton, and Rachelle Douglass pose on the beach. Photo by Brent Dugger



Experimenting with their wild side, above, Brent Dugger, Jared Doty, Heath Housley, Heath Rodgers, Adam Shores, and Chris Tinsley explore Panama Beach on mopeds. Photo by Rachelle Douglass

Preparing to load the jet ski, right, Justin Blackwell fastens his life jacket before taking on the waves. Photo by Brent Dugger





Senior Tributes

Class of 1999

Mindy Lee



MINDY, WE ARE PROUD OF YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS. MAY GOD ALWAYS GUIDE YOUR PATH. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE SPECIAL SISTER AND DAUGHTER YOU WILL ALWAYS BE.

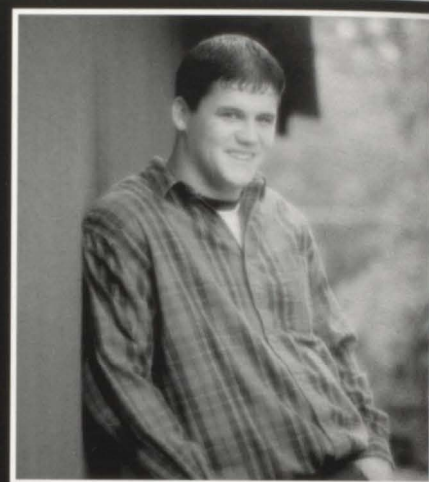
LOVE,
DAD, MOM, RUSTY & DUSTY
PHILLIPPIANS 4:13



Adam Shores



CONGRATULATIONS ADAM!
WE WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK IN WHATEVER YOU DO.
LOVE, MOM & DAD



Brenda Good

BRENDA, YOU HAVE TRAVELED A GREAT JOURNEY FOR 13 YEARS AND NOW HAVE CROSSED THAT LAST BRIDGE. MAY YOU ALWAYS SEEK GOD'S WILL IN EVERYTHING YOU DO. GOD BLESS!

LOVE, MOM, DAD, DANIEL & MATT



Ann Kaps



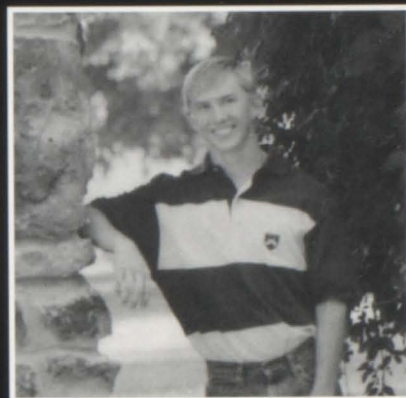
WE COULD NOT STOP HER
THEN...NOW LOOK HOW FAR SHE HAS
COME. WE ARE PROUD OF YOU!
GOOD LUCK IN THE FUTURE.
LOVE, MOM, DAD, BRYAN & SARA



Eric Lueck



WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU
LOVE, MOM, DAD, & RYAN



Ryan Nelson

DICK JR., CONGRATULATIONS
WE ARE PROUD OF YOU AND ALL
THAT YOU HAVE ACCOMPLISHED.
WE WISH YOU THE BEST IN ALL
THAT YOU DO.
LOVE,
DAD, MOM, JUSTIN & CODY



Desirae Fullington

CONGRATULATIONS,
DESIRAE! WE ARE VERY
PROUD OF YOU! WE WISH
YOU ONLY THE BEST IN LIFE!

LOVE ALWAYS, MOM, BILL, DAD,
MICHELE, ASHLEY, KIMBERLY,
KEATON, TYLER & KYLE



Jessica Peterson



JDP-
 "NEVER FORGET WHO YOU
 ARE, LITTLE STAR
 NEVER FORGET HOW TO
 DREAM, BUTTERFLY"
 WE ARE PROUD OF YOU
 CONGRATS!
 LOVE,
 DAD, MOM & MATT



Carrie Stratton



CARRIE, YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN
 A JOY TO US!
 MAY GOD BLESS YOU IN ALL YOU DO,
 LOVE, MOM, DAD, GREG, KIM, AMY, KELLY,
 YOUR NIECES & NEPHEWS



Faith Cornelius



KEEP THE GIFT OF ART IN YOUR FINGERTIPS
 AND THE GIFT OF MUSIC IN YOUR SOUL.
 MAY ALL YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE.
 LOVE, MOM, DAD, SOLOMON, MIRIAM,
 SHAWNIE & CHARITY

Jared Doty

IS A GAME, PLAY IT.
IS A CHALLENGE, MEET IT.
IS A DREAM, REALIZE IT.
IS A SACRIFICE, OFFER IT.
IS LOVE, ENJOY IT.

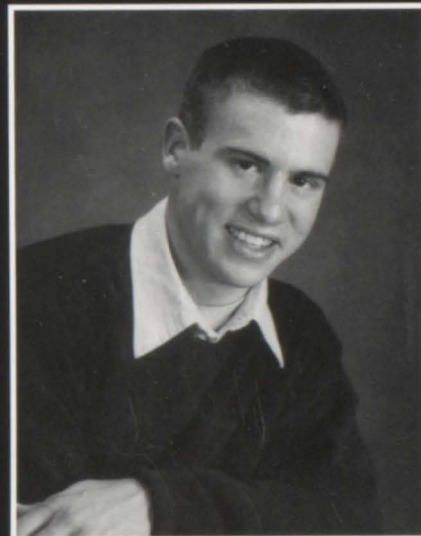


YOU'VE BROUGHT US SO
MUCH HAPPINESS THROUGH
THE YEARS AND WE'RE
PROUD OF THE YOUNG MAN
YOU'VE BECOME.
MOM & DAD

Andrew Dale



FROM K-5 TO 12TH GRADE, WE HAVE
ALWAYS BEEN PROUD OF YOU!
WE LOVE YOU,
MOM, DAD, ADAM, & ALLISON



Penny Carmon

CONGRATULATIONS
YOU ARE
OUR SUNSHINE
LOVE,
MOM, DAD & SIS



Karalin Hall



WE'RE SO PROUD OF YOU, "PRECIOUS
LOVE!" KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK AND
YOUR FUTURE WILL BE GREAT!
ALL OUR LOVE, DAD, MOM & KATELIN



Brent Dugger



BRENT ALLEN DUGGER
(BAD)
YOU'VE GIVEN US JOY
EVERY STEP OF THE WAY.
WITH LOVE IN OUR HEARTS
WE WISH YOU THE BEST
WITH EACH NEW DAY.

LOVE,
MOM, DAD & RUSS



Heath Rodgers



HEATH-"62
YOU MADE IT!!!
LIFE IS FULL OF
TUMBLES AND THE
WORLD WILL SEEM
LIKE IT IS SPINNING
AROUND, JUST
TAKE A SECOND TO
LOOK TO GOD AND
HE WILL CHANGE
ALL AROUND!!! WE
LOVE YOU WITH
ALL OF OUR
HEARTS AND ARE SO VERY PROUD OF YOU!!! WE
WISH YOU THE BEST AND MAY ALL YOUR DREAMS
COME TRUE!!!

WE LOVE YOU,
MOM, DAD & KALEB

LeAnn Hicks



THE YEARS HAVE FLOWN BY BUT YOU'RE STILL
OUR LITTLE BLONDE COWGIRL. WE LOVE YOU &
WISH YOU THE BEST LIFE HAS TO OFFER.
LOVE, MOM, DAD & TOMMY

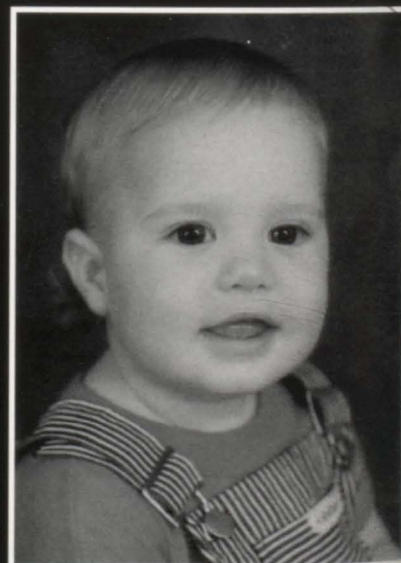


"For, children are an heritage of the Lord..."
Psalm 127:3

Barry Gilley

CONGRATULATIONS, BARRY DUSTIN
WE THANK THE LORD FOR THE GIFT HE GAVE
US ON MAY 30, 1981. OUR LIVES WOULD
NOT HAVE BEEN COMPLETE WITHOUT YOU.
MAY YOU SEEK GOD'S GUIDANCE IN EACH
ENDEAVOR OF THE FUTURE.

LOVE,
DAD & MOM



Angela Dunham

ANGELA BETH DUNHAM-
WHAT A DIFFERENCE YOU'VE MADE IN OUR
LIVES



WE LOVE YOU!
MOM, DAD,
MYRANDA,
MELISSA, SEAN,
TAYLOR &
KEATON



Betsey Matthews



CONGRATULATIONS BETSEY!
WE LOVE YOU!
DAD, MOM, TIM, & BEN

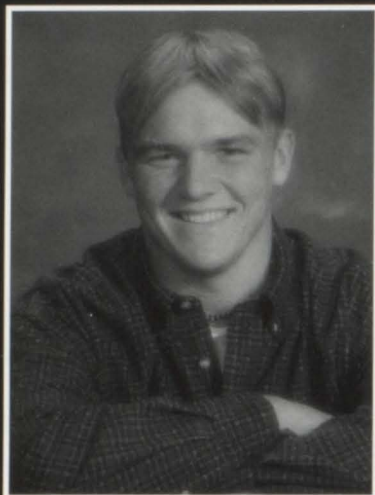
Jared Doty

YOUR SACRIFICE,
DETERMINATION AND
HARD WORK MAKE US
VERY PROUD OF YOU.

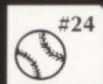
GRANDMA, GRANDPA
AND UNCLE BILL POPE



Heath Housley

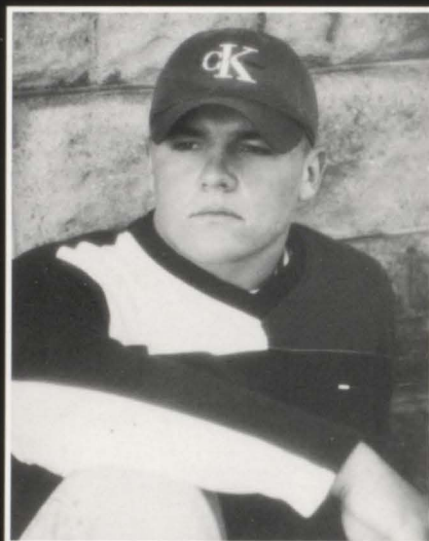


CONGRATULATIONS HEATH



WE ARE SO VERY PROUD OF YOU. THANKS
FOR ALL OF THE GREAT MEMORIES. MAY GOD
BE WITH YOU & BLESS YOU IN ALL YOU DO.

WE LOVE YOU,
DAD, MOM & ADAM



Larissa Buchholz



WE ARE VERY PROUD OF YOU! HAPPY
WISHES FOR A WONDERFUL LIFE FULL
OF SMILES!

LOVE & HUGS
DAD, MOM, KAYLA, KATRINA, AUSSIE



Nathaniel Barbe



GOOD GREAT JOB NATHANIEL!!
WE'RE PROUD OF YOU!
YOU'RE READY TO TAKE MIZZOU BY STORM!
(DO YOU THINK THEY'RE READY FOR YOU?)
CONGRATULATIONS!
MOM, DAD & ADELE



Doug Simpson

GRATULATIONS!

WE LOVE YOU
MOM & DAD



Chris Tinsley



CHRIS *36
IT SEEMS A
VERY SHORT
TIME AGO
THAT YOU
WERE A LITTLE
GUY. NOW
YOU ARE ALL
GROWN UP.
WE ARE VERY
PROUD OF
YOU.

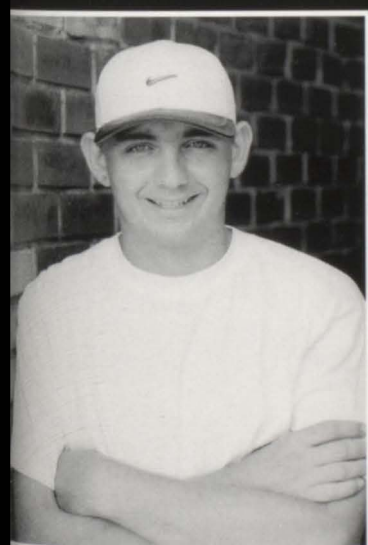
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YOU IN ALL YOU DO.

WE LOVE YOU,
MOM, DAD, STEPHANIE & STEPHEN

Matt Hurst



MATT, WE ARE SO PROUD
OF YOU, SON. GOOD
LUCK...AND OUR PRAYERS
ARE FOR GOD'S BLESSINGS
TO BE WITH YOU IN
EVERYTHING YOU DO.
LOVE, MOM, DAD & MIKE



Dustin Shelton & Micki McCune



THROUGH THICK &
THIN, FROM
BEGINNING TO END,
ALWAYS COUSINS &
STILL BEST FRIENDS.
CONGRATULATIONS
LOVE FROM,
MOMS & DADS
TERESA, TONI, DALE
& AUSTIN



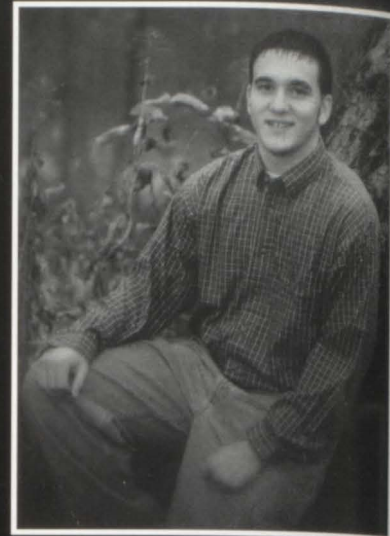


Jerrod Stearnes

IT'S A GREAT LIFE AS
LONG AS YOU DON'T
WEAKEN."

YOU'RE LOOKING
STRONG! KEEP ON
REACHING!

LOVE,
DAD, MOM, JENNIFER
& MYLA



Misti Gourley



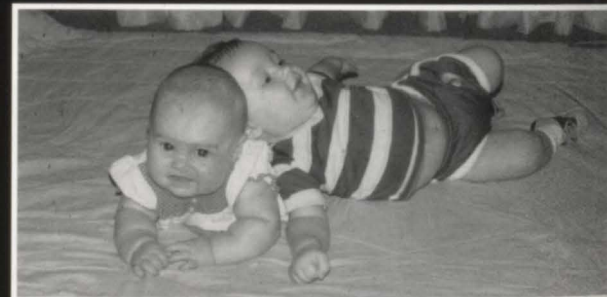
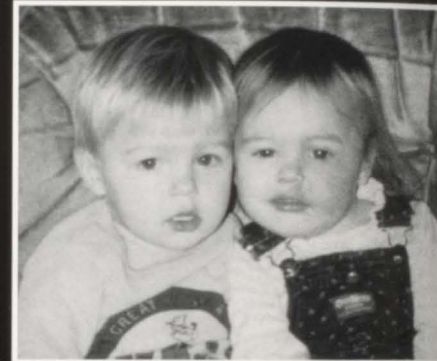
CONGRATULATIONS MISTI!
LOVE, MOM, DAD, WINDI, & CHANCE



Heath Housley & Jessica Peterson



MY LITTLE BUDDIES ARE ALL GROWN
UP. CONGRATULATIONS, I KNOW YOUR
FUTURES WILL BE BRIGHT.
LOVE, MEL-MEL



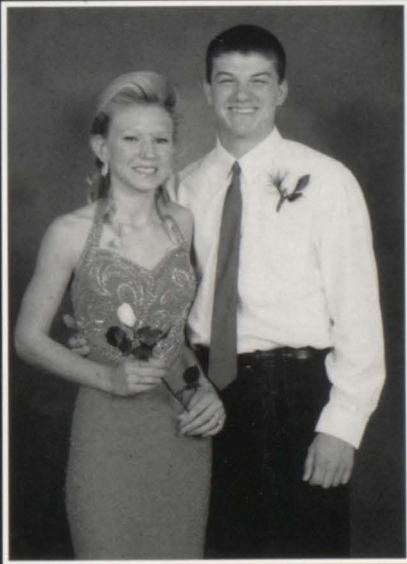
David Homer Concrete
Construction

Rachel Homer

CONGRATULATIONS RACHEL!



LOVE,
MOM, DAD,
DUSTIN,
SHELBY,
DAVY &
MARLENA





Dr. Doyle Hill is presented with Mountain Grove Panther jacket from the senior football players at the fall sports banquet. Dr. Hill was a huge asset to the athletic department, attending nearly all of the games to assist with any athletic injuries. Photo courtesy of Breeding

Community

"The best thing that has happened to me is moving back to Mountain Grove."

-Anneliese Delcour, sophomore

"MG is a great community. Knowing everyone and knowing people care is what a small town is all about."

-Leanna Gaston, sophomore

"My favorite place to shop is Radio Shack."

-Matt Thompson, sophomore

"I think it (living in Mountain Grove) has made a good impact on me because it makes you really cherish the close friends you have and when you know everyone you don't have to worry about things."

-Brittnee Freeman, junior

"I enjoy going to the public library and getting on the Internet or the computer."

-Amanda Gould, sophomore

"I never appreciated being from Mountain Grove very much until I found out that my family was moving."

-Tara Shaw, senior

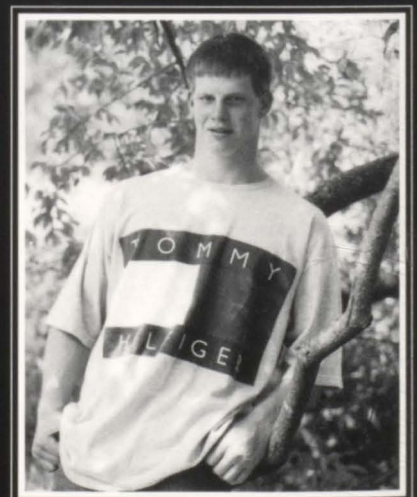
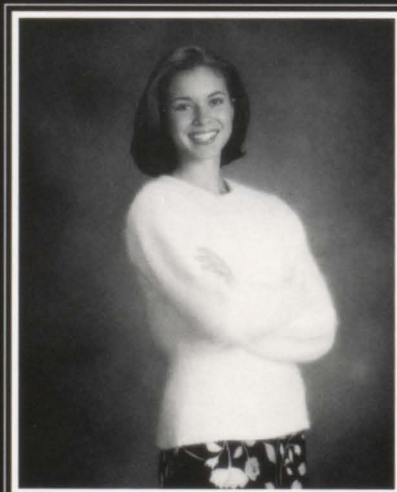
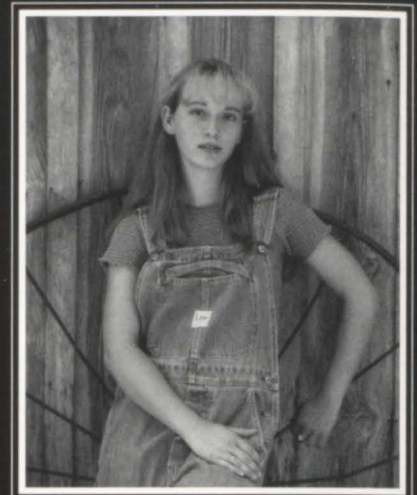


(Fugitive Apprehension Team) poses with the City Chiefs basketball team fundraiser put on by the junior FAST members provided for the Chiefs at the event. Courtesy Bill Morris

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Senior
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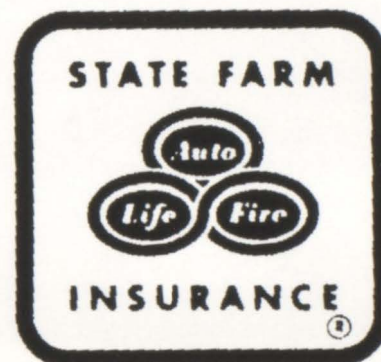
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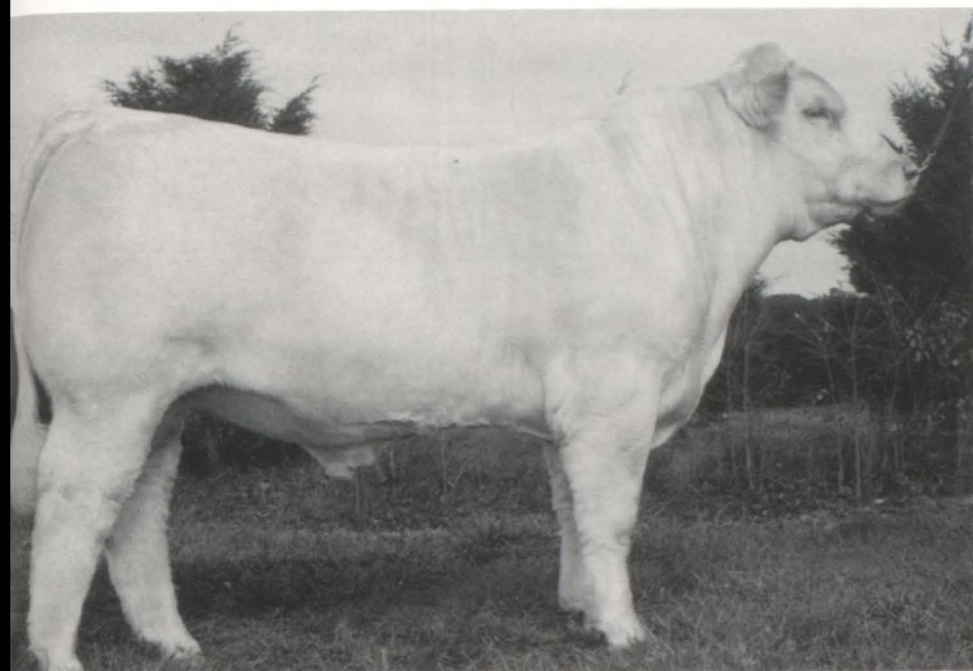
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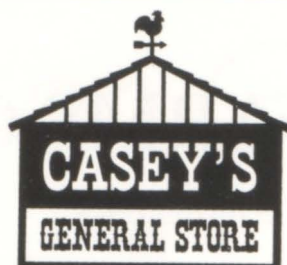
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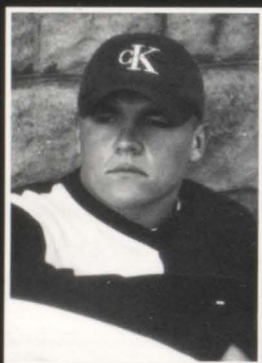
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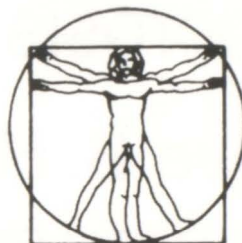


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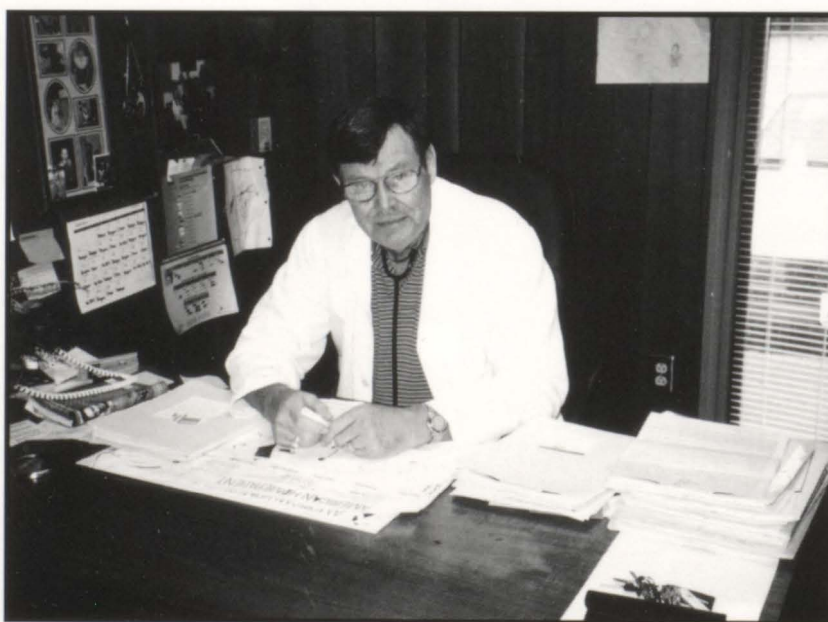
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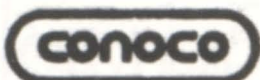
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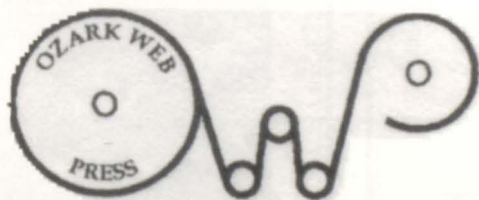
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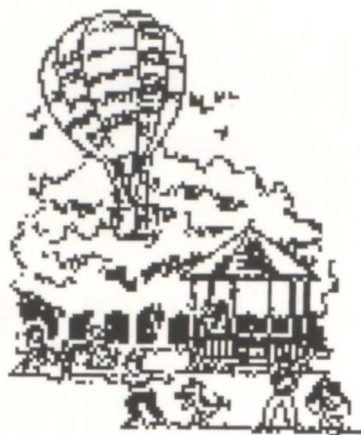
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Another school year at MGHS comes to a close with each student leaving with the knowledge that they are stronger and wiser than they were when they walked through the doors at the beginning of the year.

This school year has been full of experiences for every student. Some experiences students would rather forget while some will be cherished for the rest of the individual's life.

It is not always easy to be a teenager but as long as we continue to grow as individuals we will always be...



Managing a smile while giving blood, left, junior Amy Brown participates in the student council sponsored CBCO Blood Drive while senior Carl Beasley puts the skills he has learned as a member of the Health Occupations class to use. Photo by Jessica Peterson

Enjoying a Saturday at Six Flags, above, juniors Cindy Curran and Stephanie Gonzales participate in a club outing with DECA. The MGHS band also went to Six Flags for a group outing. Photo by Jessica Peterson

Senior girls, far above, enjoy the tradition of the annual senior run as they pose in front of the Willow Springs city limit sign. Photo courtesy Cindy Peterson

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World News



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➔ French high school students demand more teachers, better equipment and buildings and a lighter course load in an October protest in Paris. The French government designates \$40 million annually over the next four years, as well as 1,000 new teaching posts.

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➔ A discotheque fire in Goteborg, Sweden, kills 67 teens and injures several more, making it the deadliest fire in modern Swedish history. Arson is the suspected cause of the October fire.



Courtesy Partnership for a Drug Free America

➔ After a U.N. drug summit in which 150 countries endorse an anti-drug campaign, the U.S. vows to spend an estimated \$1 billion over the next five years on anti-drug advertising, corporate and civic partnerships and promotion.



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➔ In a dangerous escalation of hostile feelings in the area, India begins nuclear bomb testing in response to Pakistan's testing of the Ghauri missile.



Baldice Sygma

➔ On September 2, Swissair Flight 111 crashes in the sea in Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia, Canada, killing all 229 passengers and crew aboard. A cockpit wiring fire is the suspected cause of the disaster.



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➔ In retaliation for the African embassy bombings, the U.S. attacks a suspected chemical weapons factory in the capital of Sudan and a terrorist training camp in Afghanistan, and launches a worldwide search for suspected mastermind Osama bin Laden.

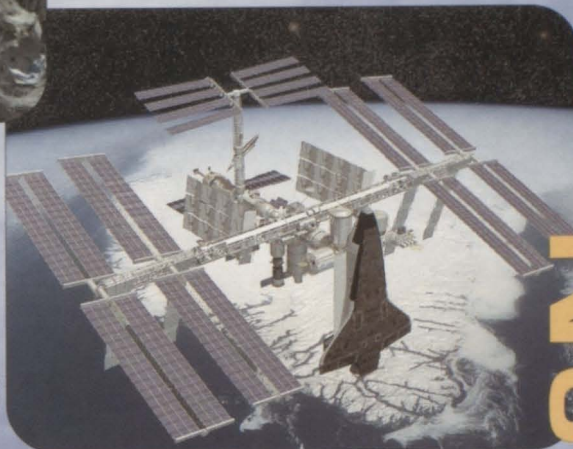
World News

On August 7, powerful bombs explode outside the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania killing 248 people, including 12 Americans, and injuring more than 5,000.



AP Photo/John McConico

NASA and Russia will conduct 45 missions to launch and assemble the International Space Station *Alpha*. Set for completion by 2004, the station will be powered by almost an acre of solar panels and will weigh almost one million pounds.



NASA

The remains of Czar Nicholas II and his family, killed in 1918 in Central Russia and buried in a mass grave, are exhumed and laid to rest in St. Petersburg.

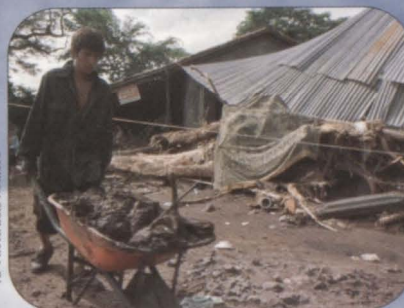


The worst summer flooding in China since 1954 kills 3,000 people, destroys 17 million homes and affects one-fifth of the country's population.



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President Clinton becomes the first U.S. leader to visit China since the Tiananmen Square massacre in 1989. Many criticize Clinton for his apparent leniency toward China's human rights restrictions.



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Hurricane Mitch ravages parts of Central America and kills more than 10,000 people, making it the second deadliest storm in the region's history.

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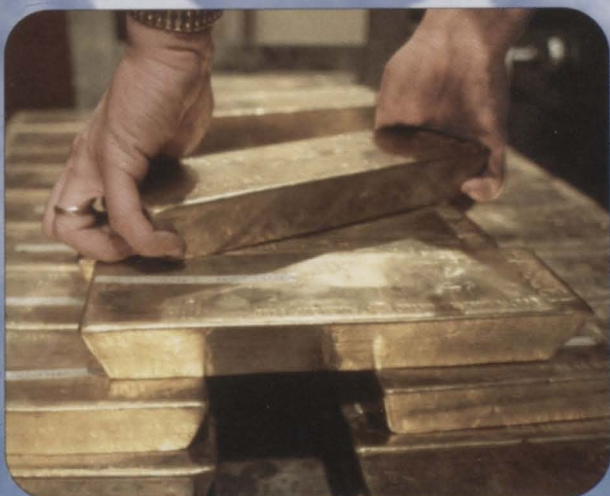
John Hume and David Trimble, Northern Ireland's two main political party leaders, win the Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts to end the violence that has plagued the British province for three decades.

After a stop in Mexico City in January 1999, Pope John Paul II arrives in St. Louis, Missouri, and celebrates Mass with over 100,000 people in attendance.

In January 1999, an earthquake that measures 6.0 on the Richter scale hits Colombia killing over 1,000 people.

King Hussein of Jordan, 63, dies on February 7, 1999, of lymphatic cancer. Hussein's 47-year reign made him the Middle East's longest-serving leader.

After months of negotiations, Swiss banks and Jewish groups reach a \$1.25 billion settlement in a lawsuit filed by thousands of Holocaust survivors to recover lost savings.



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On January 1, 1999, the euro debuts as the new currency in 11 European Common Market countries. It will be three more years before euro coins and cash are officially put into circulation.

National News



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➔ Convicted killer Martin Gurule escapes death row and is later found drowned in a nearby river. Gurule is the first Texas inmate to escape death row since 1934.



AP Photo/CNN

➔ President Clinton becomes the second president in history to be impeached. The House of Representatives charges him with two counts of obstruction of justice and perjury. The Senate acquits Clinton after a five-week trial.



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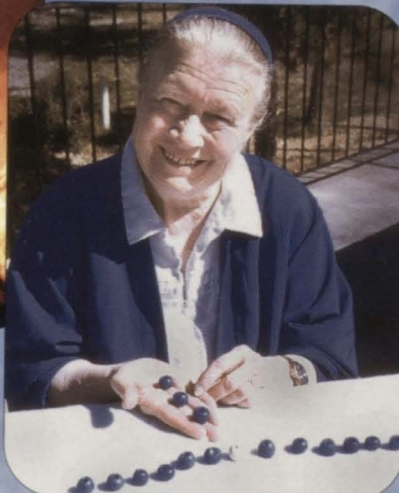
➔ The U.S. Treasury unveils a new \$20 bill designed to be much harder to counterfeit and more capable of withstanding heavy abuse.

➔ President Clinton declares the entire state of Florida a disaster area after fires burn over 300,000 acres and damage or destroy 150,000 homes.

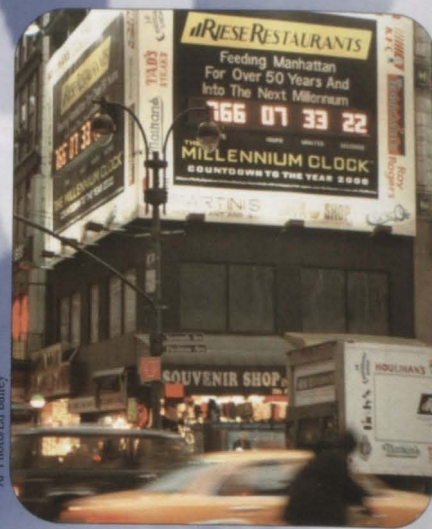


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➔ Sixteen of the 24 glass beads that historians believe were used to buy Manhattan Island from Native Indians in 1626 are donated to the Indian Museum of North America located at the Crazy Horse Memorial.

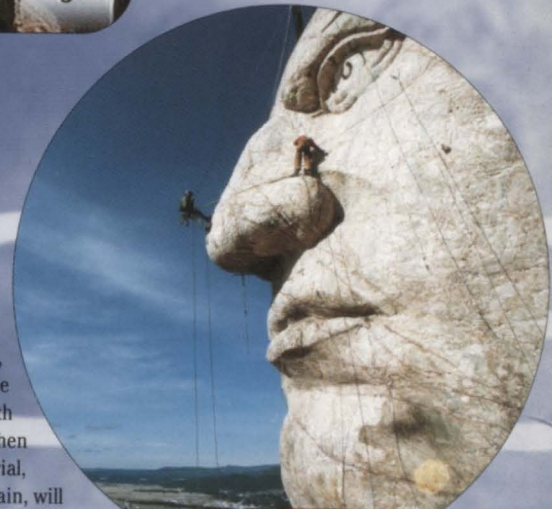


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➔ A massive Millennium Clock in New York City's garment district counts down the days, hours, minutes and seconds to the year 2000.



AP Photo/Charles Bennett

➔ After 50 years of work, the face of Crazy Horse is revealed at the South Dakota monument. When completed, the memorial, carved out of a mountain, will be the largest sculpture in the world.



AP Photo/Brett Comer

➔ In June, African-American James Byrd Jr., 49, is chained to the back of a truck and dragged to his death in Jasper, Texas, by three men, two of whom have ties to white supremacists.

National News

Mentally unstable Russell Eugene Weston Jr. charges into the U.S. Capitol building on July 24 and fatally shoots Special Agent John Gibson and Officer Jacob Chestnut.



AP Photo/Gary Cameron, Pool

A Titanic exhibit tours the U.S. featuring over 200 artifacts and displays chronicling the fateful ship's maiden voyage and tragic sinking.



Reuters/Jim Bourg/Archive Photos

Northwest Airlines pilots strike for 17 days in August and September causing more than 27,000 canceled flights and a loss of \$338 million.



In response to family pressure, DNA testing confirms that remains buried in the Tomb of the Unknowns are those of Michael J. Blassie, an Air Force pilot shot down in Vietnam.



AP Photo/Ruth Fremson

Reform Party candidate Jesse Ventura shocks the nation when he wins the race for governor of Minnesota in November. Ventura is a former Navy Seal, pro wrestler and action movie actor.



AP Photo/LM Otero

In summer 1998, North Texas temperatures exceed 100 degrees for 45 days. The state's heat death toll climbs to 132 and fires burn over 344,000 acres.

Flash

In August, General Motors Corporation and United Auto Workers reach an agreement that ends an eight-week strike.

President Clinton announces the federal government ends the 1998 fiscal year with a budget surplus of \$70 billion, the first surplus since 1969.

More than 280 colleges now admit some or all of their applicants without regard to SAT or ACT scores. Many schools say the system improves the academic quality and diversity of their student bodies.

DNA tests determine that Rebecca Chittum was unknowingly switched with Callie Conley at a Virginia hospital after their births three years ago. This case prompts a national debate on the need for stricter hospital procedures.

In September, Hurricane Georges crashes through the Florida Keys and Mississippi. The killer storm causes the largest mandatory evacuation in Florida history, and Mississippi victims receive over \$131 million in aid.



AP Photo/Dave Martin

Matthew Shepard, a 21-year-old gay student at the University of Wyoming, dies five days after being brutally attacked in an apparent hate crime. Vigils in his memory are held across the country.



AP Photo/Suzanne Plunkett

Science News



NASA

- An analysis of Eastern Seaboard weather shows it really does rain more frequently on weekends than during the week, an average of 22 percent more. Automobile emission patterns are the suspected cause of the phenomenon.



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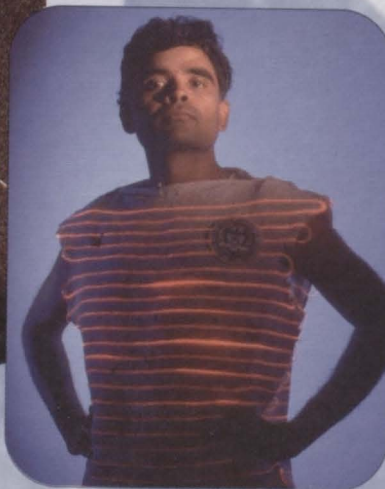
- Apple's translucent aqua-blue iMac personal computer, its first consumer offering in years, is marketed mainly for Internet usage and, therefore, doesn't come with a disk drive. Its popularity soars and it soon becomes available in several other colors.

- The comet Tempel-Tuttle causes a meteor storm when it passes by Earth. The comet will be visible again in fall 1999, after which it won't reappear for another 32 years.



AP Photo/Tomislav Carr

- A computerized T-shirt, woven with fiber optics and electrically conducted thread, may soon monitor the health of soldiers, rescuers, the elderly and others who are medically vulnerable.



Michael A. Schwarz

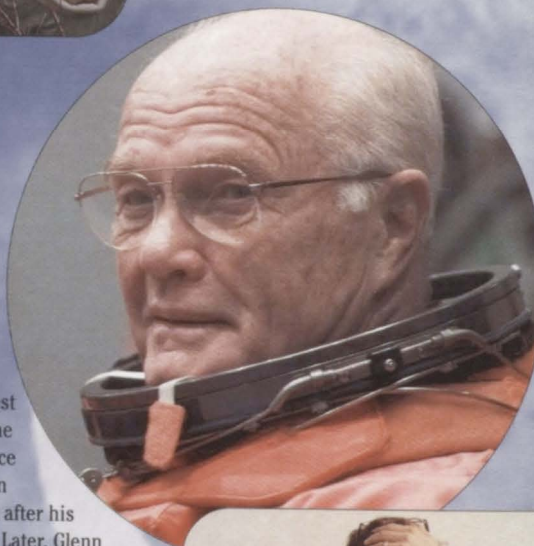


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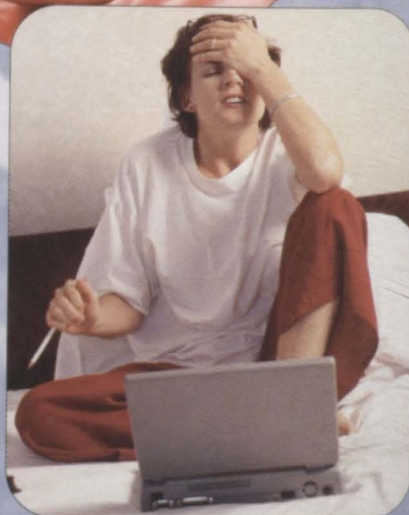
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- Columbia University graduate student Elizabeth Brannon and psychology professor Herbert Terrace demonstrate that monkeys can master simple arithmetic on at least the level of a two-year-old child.



AP Photo/David J. Phillip

- John Glenn, 77, becomes the oldest astronaut when he undertakes a space shuttle mission in October, 36 years after his first space flight. Later, Glenn retires from a 24-year career in the U.S. Senate.



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- A study demonstrates that the more hours people spend on the Internet, the more depressed, stressed and lonely they feel.

The USDA announces that a 25-millisecond blast of 270-degree steam applied to meat kills 99.99 percent of the bacteria. This process follows the unpopular method of irradiation.



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➤ Paleontologists in Argentina discover thousands of shards of fossilized dinosaur eggs. Several shards contain the fossilized remains of unhatched embryos and their never-before-seen embryo skin.



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3 The Electronic Structure of Atoms

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➤ Chemistry professor Claude Yoder co-authors "Interactive Chemistry," a CD-ROM that uses animation to lead students through chemistry problems, eliminating the need for a textbook.

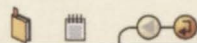
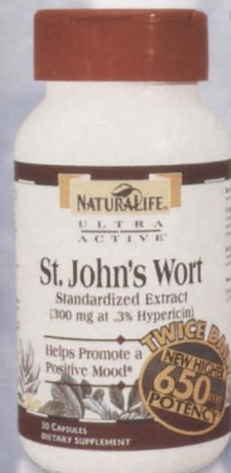


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Duffin McGee/Reuters

➤ The FDA withholds medical approval of St. John's Wort, the popular herbal supplement widely believed to relieve depression. However, American consumer demand has led to its use in everything from lipstick to potato chips.



Purdue University

➤ Researchers discover a gene that may cause the aggressive behavior of "killer bees." This knowledge may help tame African bees, whose sting has deterred beekeepers from tending hives.



AP Photo/NASA

➤ Alan Shepard, the first American in space, dies on July 22 at the age of 74.

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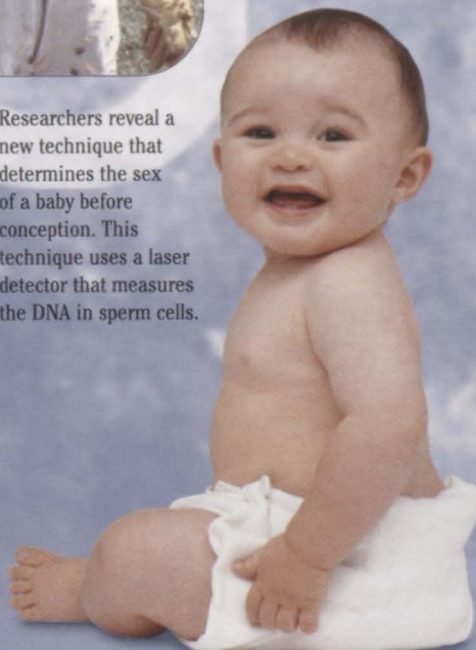
Astronomers discover and photograph a planet outside our solar system that is about 450 light years away from Earth.

Alabama hairdresser Philip McCorry discovers that human hair soaks up oil from water, which prompts NASA to investigate ways to use human hair to clean oil spills.

In August, renowned Houston heart surgeon Dr. Denton Cooley performs open-heart surgery which is broadcast live on the America's Health Network Internet web site.

David Scott, who lost his left hand in a fireworks accident, receives the first U.S. human hand transplant in January 1999. Scott has regained limited motion in his donor hand.

➤ Researchers reveal a new technique that determines the sex of a baby before conception. This technique uses a laser detector that measures the DNA in sperm cells.



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➤ On August 12, the \$1 billion Titan 4 rocket explodes 42 seconds after liftoff. The rocket payload included a highly classified Defense Department satellite.



Lifestyle News



◀ A *USA Today* investigation reveals that many of the nation's safe drinking water regulations are not being enforced. The report reveals that even the worst violations have just a 1 in 10 chance of drawing legal action.



➤ Lovegety, a palm-sized matchmaking device, is the latest craze with Japanese teenagers. When it comes within 15 feet of another Lovegety, high-pitched beepers go off, lights flash, and the "love detectors" display whether the users' preset interests match. It's now available in the U.S.

AP Photo/Koji Sasahara



➤ PlayStation's "Crash Bandicoot: Warped" supersedes its popular predecessors. Also new is Crash's sister Coco who gallops along the Great Wall of China and cruises through enemy-infested waters.



AP Photo/Ed Bailey

◀ Furby, the year's must-have interactive toy, has a vocabulary of 200 words in both English and its own language, "Furbish." Furby knows when it is being petted, when the lights go out, when music starts, and if there's another Furby in the room.



Kurt Duncan

➤ WildEyes contact lenses feature several designs, including a starburst, black eight ball and cat's eyes. The \$165 lenses come in prescription and non-prescription and don't interfere with eyesight.



AP Photo/Charles Dharapak

➤ Consumer groups demand the recall of Olestra from the market, or at least the adoption of strict guidelines as to its use, after thousands of people become sick from eating the popular fat substitute. However, studies suggest that chips made with Olestra do not cause greater stomach problems than regular chips.



◀ In December, Selective Service activates online registration. Eighteen-year-olds can now register instantly instead of filling out forms at the post office that take two to three months to process.

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As the need for toll-free numbers greatly increases, the 887 prefix joins the 800 and 888 prefixes already in use.

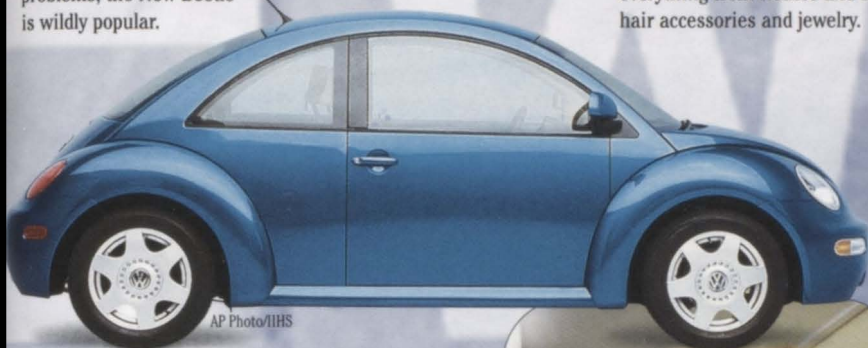


A sleek, redesigned version of the '60s Volkswagen Beetle enters the market. Despite a May 1998 recall for wiring problems, the New Beetle is wildly popular.

➤ Butterflies and dragonflies are the hot motif in the fashion world appearing on everything from clothes and bags to hair accessories and jewelry.



Lifestyle News



AP Photo/IHS

➤ Cargo pants invade stores and become the must-have piece of apparel for teens across the nation.



AP Photo/Susan Ragan

➤ For \$20-30 a day, trained professionals at dog and cat day cares will play with, read to, feed and pamper pets in their care.



Photo courtesy of Mr. Payroll Corporation

➤ Mr. Payroll is the first ATM that can cash a check — even for someone without a bank account. The machine “memorizes” facial features and matches them with a social security number to verify the user’s identity.

Flash

In hopes of reducing the divorce rate, the Florida legislature passes the nation’s first law requiring that high school students be taught marital and relationship skills.

In the wake of grim automobile accident statistics, California is one of several states to pass stricter teenage licensing laws.

Spurred by fierce competition, colleges and universities are going online to offer students a new way to get an education. Florida State and New York University are a few jumping on board.

The average home Internet user spends 25 hours a year waiting for web pages to load.

Pilates, a low-impact form of exercise that uses unique equipment and deep stretching techniques, becomes popular with men and women.



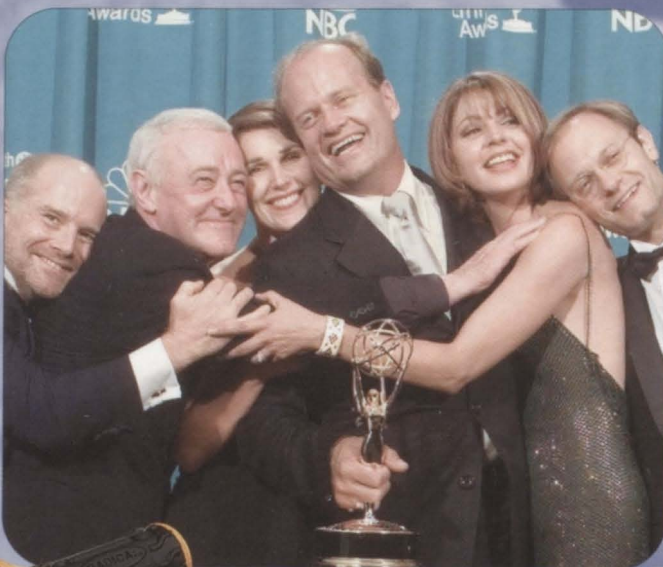
➤ Rollerblade introduces durable, all-terrain in-line skates that can traverse dirt paths and rocky trails. The large-wheeled skates retail for a cool \$600.

Entertainment News



AP Photo/NBC, Jeff Katz

◀ Heartthrob George Clooney announces 1998-99 will be his last season on NBC's award-winning television drama, "ER."



AP Photo/Reed Saxon

➔ NBC's "Frasier" makes history by winning its fifth consecutive outstanding comedy series award at the 50th annual Emmy Awards. Kelsey Grammer, in the title role, wins his third Emmy as best comedy actor.



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➔ In November, ABC's "Spin City" star Michael J. Fox, 37, reveals he has Parkinson's disease. Fox underwent brain surgery in March 1998 in an attempt to relieve severe tremors.



Radica Games

◀ Trail Burner, a hand-held mountain bike racing game, uses motion sensors to turn corners and jump hills and water pits. Crashes make the handlebars vibrate.

◀ Tom Hanks stars in Steven Spielberg's *Saving Private Ryan*, an authentic recreation of World War II's D-Day. The film receives 11 Oscar nominations.



AP Photo/David James, IFO

➔ Adam Sandler stars in the surprise hit *The Waterboy*, which earns a record \$39.1 million in its November opening weekend.

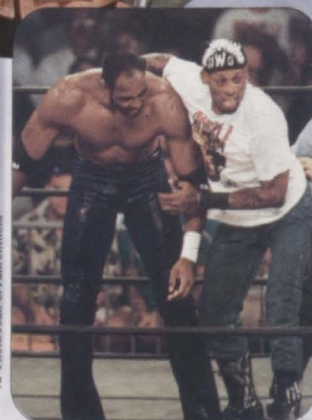


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➔ Britain's best Scrabble players commemorate the popular board game's 50th anniversary in October by playing in London's Wembley Stadium using letter tiles the size of dining tables.



AP Photo/Joan C. Fahrenthold

◀ Karl Malone and Dennis Rodman face off in a World Championship Wrestling tag-team match. The event pits Rodman and Hollywood Hulk Hogan against Malone and Diamond Dallas Page.

Entertainment News

Walt Disney's *A Bug's Life* is one of at least 15 animated feature films that will flood the nation's theaters in the next two years.



AP Photo/Walt Disney, HO

In May 1998, the much-anticipated movie *Godzilla* opens to disappointing reviews and box office numbers. The epic leaves theaters quickly.



AP Photo/Courtesy Viewpoint Datalabs

In June, Keiko arrives in his native Iceland to begin his assimilation to his new surroundings. The move concludes a four-year campaign to release the five-ton star of the movie *Free Willy*.



Players of Vertical Reality, a combination video game and amusement ride, shoot at moving targets on a 24-foot-tall screen and sit in chairs that rise with each successful hit. The winner rides to the top for a grand view.



The wildly popular stars of The WB network's "Dawson's Creek" hit the big screen, filming eight feature films during hiatus. Magazine covers by *TV Guide*, *Seventeen* and *Interview* fuel the craze.



Dorothy Low/Shooting Star

The coming-of-age drama "Felicity" quickly gains popularity with teens. The WB show revolves around a young woman and her new experiences at college.



AP Photo/WB, James Sorenson

Flash

Megastars Bruce Willis and Demi Moore announce their separation in June after almost 11 years of marriage.

The American Film Institute rates the top 100 movies of the 20th century. The top ten include:

- Citizen Kane*, 1941
- Casablanca*, 1942
- The Godfather*, 1972
- Gone With the Wind*, 1939
- Lawrence of Arabia*, 1962
- The Wizard of Oz*, 1939
- The Graduate*, 1967
- On the Waterfront*, 1954
- Schindler's List*, 1993
- Singin' in the Rain*, 1952

Fans flock to theaters to see the two-minute trailer for *Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace* and many leave without staying to watch the main attraction. The prequel to the wildly popular *Star Wars* trilogy opens in May 1999.

Actor Rick Schroder replaces Jimmy Smits on ABC's "NYPD Blue." The fate of Smits' character in his last episode — he dies when a heart transplant fails — became a source of nationwide speculation.



Corbis/Mitchell Gerber

Yo Quiero Taco Bell!

Taco Bell's talking Chihuahua becomes a favorite teen advertising icon and sparks a surge of interest in the breed.



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Music News



OROP/Shooting Star

◀ Singer and actor Frank Sinatra dies at the age of 82 on May 14, 1998.



AP Photo/Rick Hamner

➤ Thanks in part to their 42-city tour, The Backstreet Boys' self-titled album sells nine million copies making it the third best-selling album of the year.



◀ Alanis Morissette's new album, *Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie*, is released in November and vaults to No. 1. The album sells 469,000 copies in the first week.

➤ In January 1999, the group 'N Sync wins Favorite New Pop/Rock Artist at the American Music Awards.



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◀ The Dixie Chicks' *Wide Open Spaces* is the fastest-selling debut album by a country music group. The group wins the Vocal Group of the Year award from the Country Music Association.



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➤ Nineteen-year-old Usher is named *Billboard* Music Awards' Artist of the Year and R&B Artist of the Year. Touring with Janet Jackson and making television and movie appearances has heightened Usher's popularity.



AP Photo/Joey Terrill



➤ Sharp and Sony introduce portable MiniDisc recorders. This digital alternative to audiocassettes records customized music compilations and doesn't skip when bumped.



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➤ Spice Girl Geri Halliwell, better known as Ginger Spice, announces in May 1998 that she is leaving the popular group for creative reasons.

MusiNews

Swing dancing makes a big comeback with the help of music from bands like Cherry Poppin' Daddies (shown) and the Brian Setzer Orchestra.



AP Photo/File

Jewel scores on two fronts. Her book of poetry, *A Night Without Armor*, makes the New York Times best-seller list, and her album, *Spirit*, is released in November.



Shania Twain wins the Favorite Female Country Artist award at the American Music Awards and receives six Grammy nominations.



Natalie Imbruglia wins Breakthrough Artist honors at the MTV Video Music Awards in September. Her album, *Left of the Middle*, features hits "Torn" and "Wishing I Was There."



AP Photo/The Hamilton Spectator, Scott Gardner

Aerosmith's "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing," from the movie *Armageddon*, becomes the group's first single to hit No. 1 on the *Billboard* Hot 100 charts.

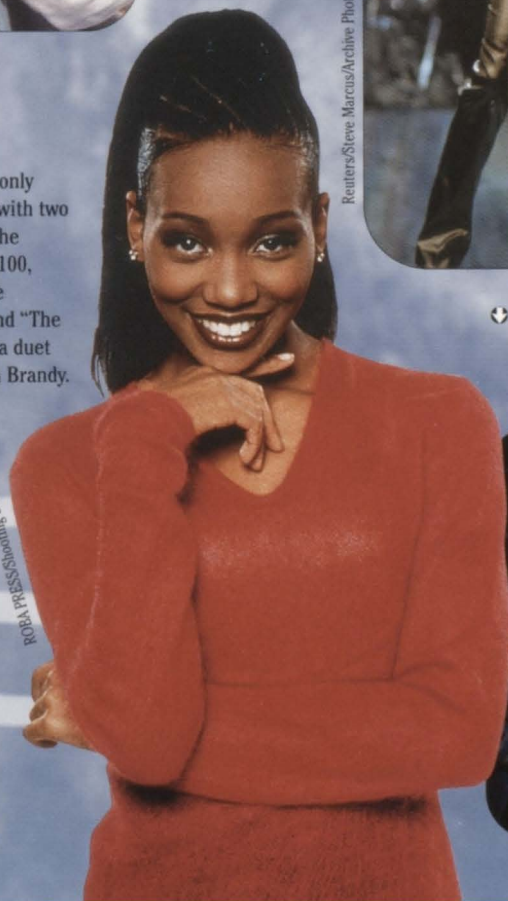


The popularity of Lauryn Hill's album *The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill* leads to 10 Grammy nominations, the most for any female artist in history. Hill kicks off a worldwide tour in January 1999.



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Monica is the only artist in 1998 with two No. 1 hits on the *Billboard* Hot 100, including "The First Night" and "The Boy Is Mine," a duet she sings with Brandy.



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In November, Garth Brooks' new album *Double Live* enjoys first-day sales of over 500,000 copies, the industry's best one-day tally. Brooks makes special TV and Wal-Mart closed-circuit TV appearances to promote the release.



AP Photo/GB Management, Jenny Yates

Flash

Psychologists discover a connection between musical training and verbal memory. Children trained to play a musical instrument grow up to have 16 percent better word memory than other adults.

Movie soundtracks account for nearly half of the Gold and Platinum certification. Some of the top soundtracks include *Titanic* and *Return to Titanic*, *City of Angels*, *Armageddon*, *Hope Floats*, *Dr. Doolittle* and *The Wedding Singer*.

Whitney Houston's *My Love Is Your Love* is her first studio album in eight years. The album includes the hit duet with Mariah Carey entitled "When You Believe."

Actor/rapper Will Smith wins three American Music Awards, including Favorite Pop/Rock Album, Favorite Soul/R&B Album and Favorite Soul/R&B Male Artist.

Sports News

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◀ Sang Lan, China's 17-year-old gymnastics champion, breaks two vertebrae during a vault at the Goodwill Games in July, leaving her paralyzed from the chest down.

➔ Skiboards, short skis with twin tips that allow forward and backward jumping, debut in competition at the 1998 ESPN Winter X Games.



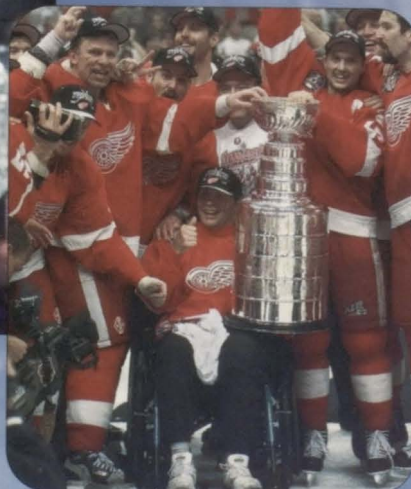
◀ In March 1998, ESPN launches a large-format sports magazine, *ESPN The Magazine*, to compete with *Sports Illustrated*.

◀ On January 4, 1999, Tennessee beats Florida State University 23-16 at the Fiesta Bowl in Arizona to win the national championship. It is the first year of the Bowl Championship Series, created to ensure that the highest ranked college teams nationally meet in a bowl game.



AP Photo/Dave Martin

➔ Defending champion Detroit Red Wings win the 1998 Stanley Cup championship, beating the Washington Capitals 4-1. Defenseman Vladimir Konstantinov, severely injured in a car accident after last year's Stanley Cup win, joins the celebration.



AP Photo/Susan A. Walsh



AP Photo/Ric Feld

➔ Jeff Gordon wins the NASCAR Winston Cup for a second year in a row. Gordon, 27, is the youngest driver to win three Winston Cup championships.



Ida Mae Astute/ABC

➔ ABC's Lesley Visser becomes the first woman to report from the sidelines during "Monday Night Football," the 1998 Super Bowl, the NCAA Final Four and NFL playoff games.



AP Photo/Eric Risberg

➔ Flamboyant sprinter Florence Griffith Joyner (FloJo), triple gold medalist at the 1988 Olympics, dies at age 38 in her sleep, of suffocation during an epileptic seizure.

Sports News

In a 4-0 sweep against the San Diego Padres, the New York Yankees win the 1998 World Series to claim their 24th championship. The Yankees' 125 total victories is a modern baseball record.



AP Photo/Lenny Ignelzi

In July, France beats Brazil 3-0 to win its first World Cup soccer title. During celebrations, a motorist drives through the crowd on the Champs-Élysées and injures 60 people.



AP Photo/Rick Bowmer



AP Photo/Rusty Kennedy

Lindsay Davenport, 22, defeats Martina Hingis in the U.S. Open in September and becomes the No. 1-ranked player in the world.

AP Photo/John Gaps III



Olympic gymnast Dominique Moceanu is declared a legal adult after suing her parents, alleging they squandered her earnings and oppressed her for years. Later, Moceanu is granted a protective order against her father for stalking her.



St. Louis Cardinal Mark McGwire hits home run number 62 on September 8, breaking the record set by Roger Maris in 1961. McGwire ends the season with 70 home runs.

Scott Olson/Reuters

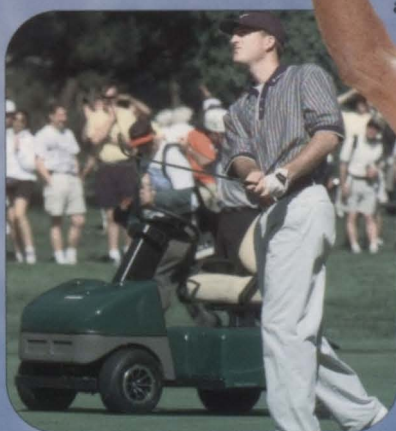


On September 13, Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs also breaks Roger Maris' record with his single-season 62nd home run. Sosa ends the season with 66 home runs.



The defending champion Denver Broncos meet the upstart Atlanta Falcons at Super Bowl XXXIII in Miami. The Broncos win 34-19.

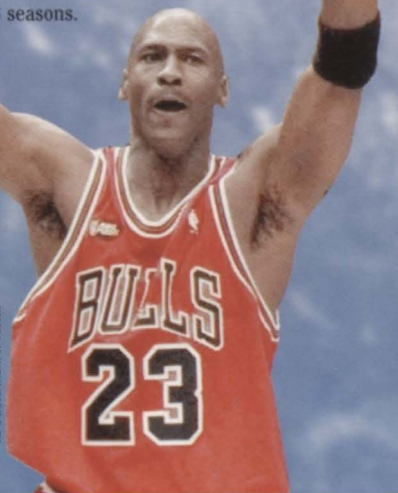
Golfer Casey Martin, who suffers from a circulatory disorder in his right leg, wins a lawsuit allowing him to use a cart during PGA and Nike golf tournaments.



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The Chicago Bulls capture their sixth NBA championship by beating the Utah Jazz 87-86 in game six. Michael Jordan earns the Finals MVP award. In January 1999, Jordan announces his retirement from the NBA after 13 seasons.

AP Photo/Mark J. Terrill



Flash

On September 20, Cal Ripken Jr. ends his 16-year streak of 2,632 consecutive baseball games played by withdrawing himself from the Baltimore lineup for that night.

NBA owners impose a lockout on July 1 that causes almost half the '98-'99 basketball season to be lost. The labor dispute is settled on January 6.

Tennis star Pete Sampras wins his fifth Wimbledon title and remains the world's No. 1 player for a record sixth straight year, breaking Jimmy Connors' mark for consecutive seasons on top.

The NFL season is plagued with controversial and incorrect calls. Instant replay is not reinstated, but coin toss procedures are implemented.

Faces News

AP Photo/Charles Rex Arbogast, File



Miss Virginia Nicole Johnson is crowned Miss America 1999 in Atlantic City. The 24-year-old diabetic wears an insulin pump on her hip and plans to spotlight diabetes awareness during her reign.

Fifty-six-year-old Linda McCartney, photographer, animal rights activist and wife of famed Beatle Paul, dies of breast cancer on April 17, 1998.

AP Photo



Karl Gehring/Denver Post



Seventeen-year-old Katie Hnida is named Chatfield Senior High School's Homecoming Queen as well as starting kicker for the varsity football team. The No. 1-ranked kicker in the state of Colorado, Hnida hopes to play Division I college football next year.

Emilie Sommer/Cape Cod Times



After dropping out of the third grade in 1902 to care for her 11 younger siblings, retired nanny and housekeeper Eugenie Garside finally receives her high school diploma at age 98.

AP Photo/Deb Halberstadt



Beloved puppeteer Shari Lewis dies of cancer on August 2. Her creations include her trademark Lamb Chop, Hush Puppy and Charlie Horse.

AP Photo/NBC Photo, Dave Bjerke

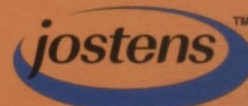


NBC's "News Radio" star and former "Saturday Night Live" cast member Phil Hartman dies from a gunshot wound inflicted by his wife in May 1998.

Flash

Canadian Tobin Belanger escorts a mannequin to his high school prom. He names her Jen, picks out her dress and corsage and arrives in a limousine.

Minnesotan David Weinlick "advertises" for a wife and chooses pharmacy student Elizabeth Runze from 23 hopefuls who travel to the Mall of America in Minneapolis for the event. Runze and Weinlick marry the same day.



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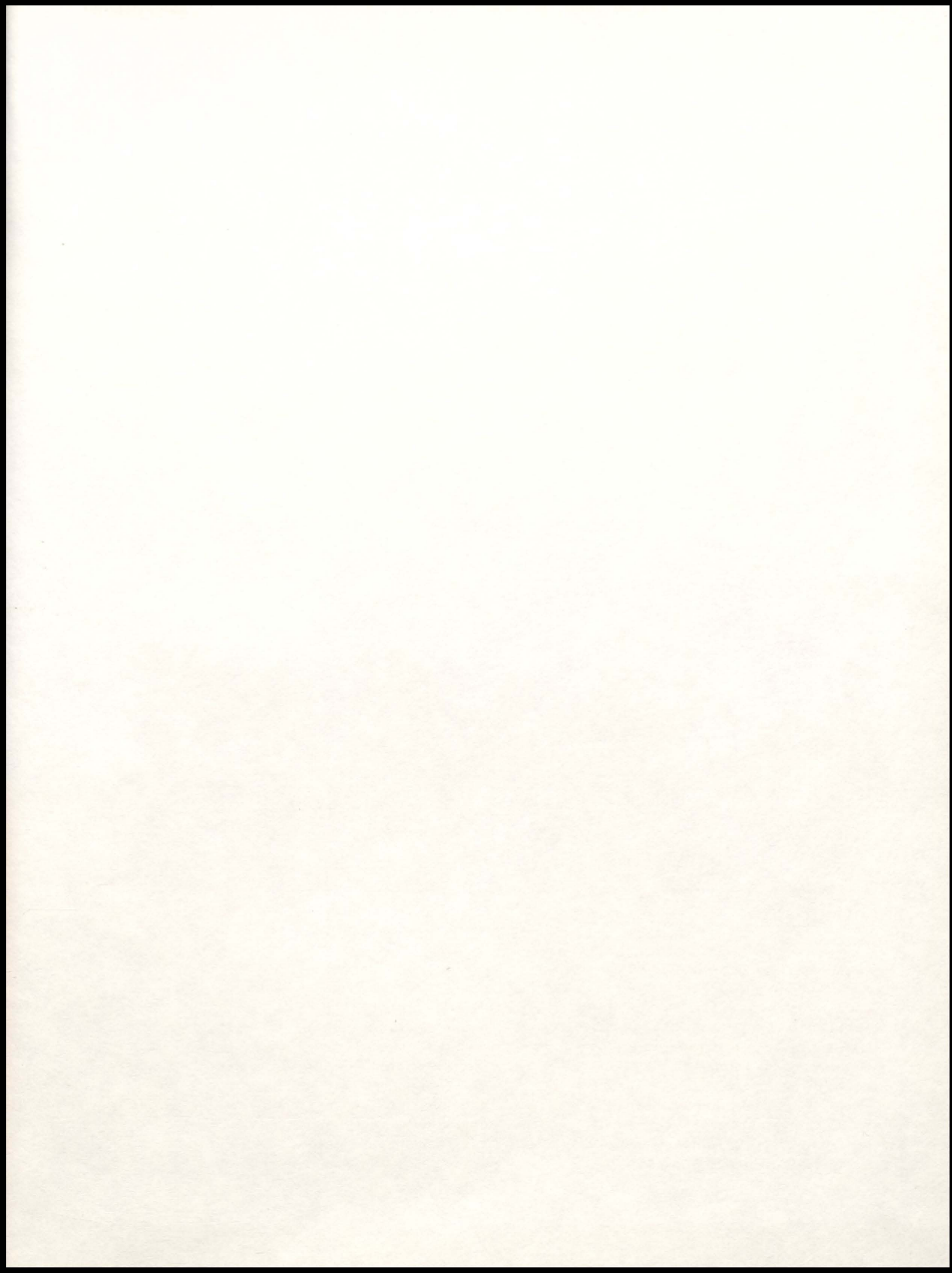
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Olympic gold medalist figure skater Tara Lipinski takes part in an anti-tobacco rally with area school children on Capitol Hill in May 1998. The rally is sponsored by the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids.



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Colophon

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