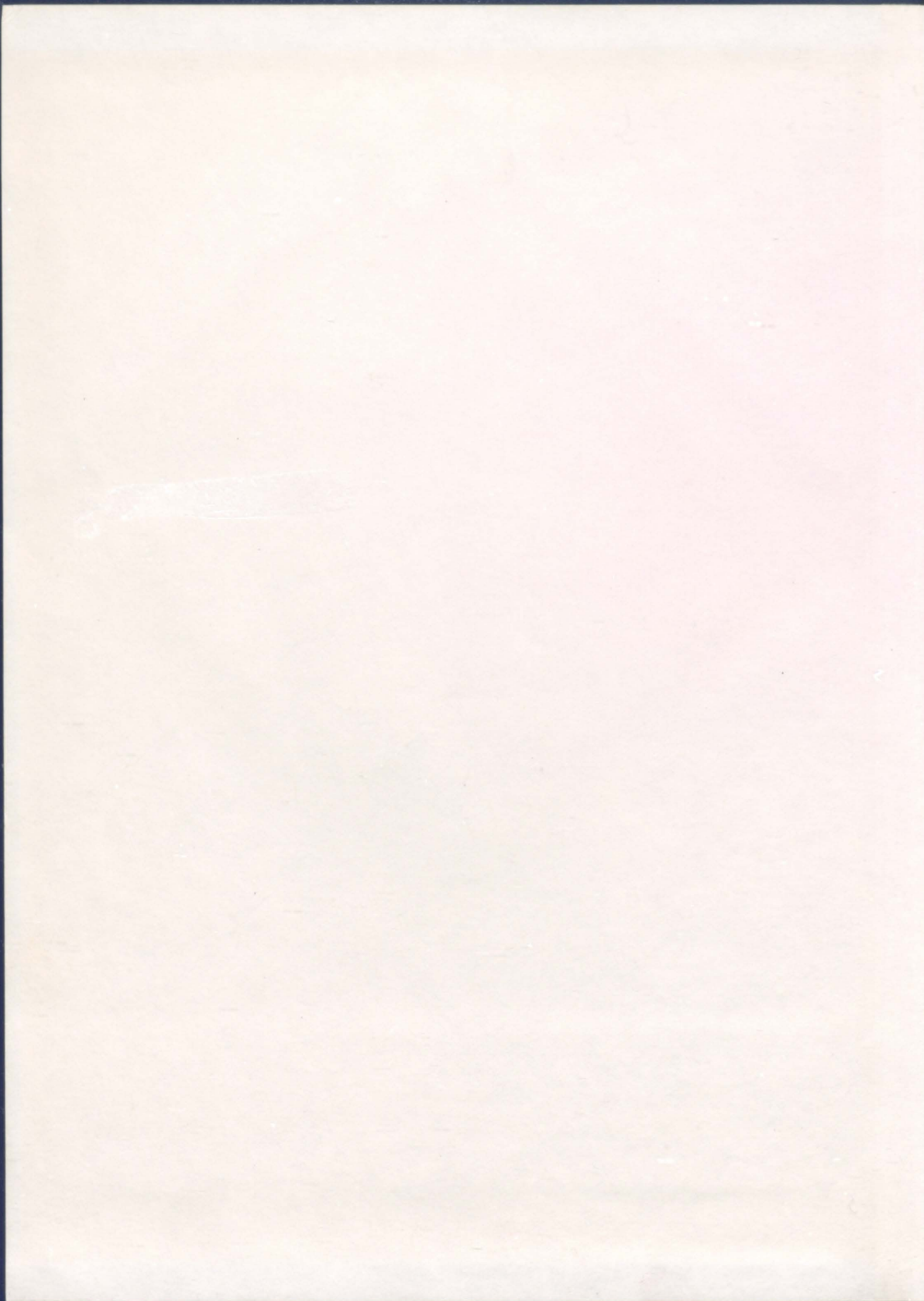
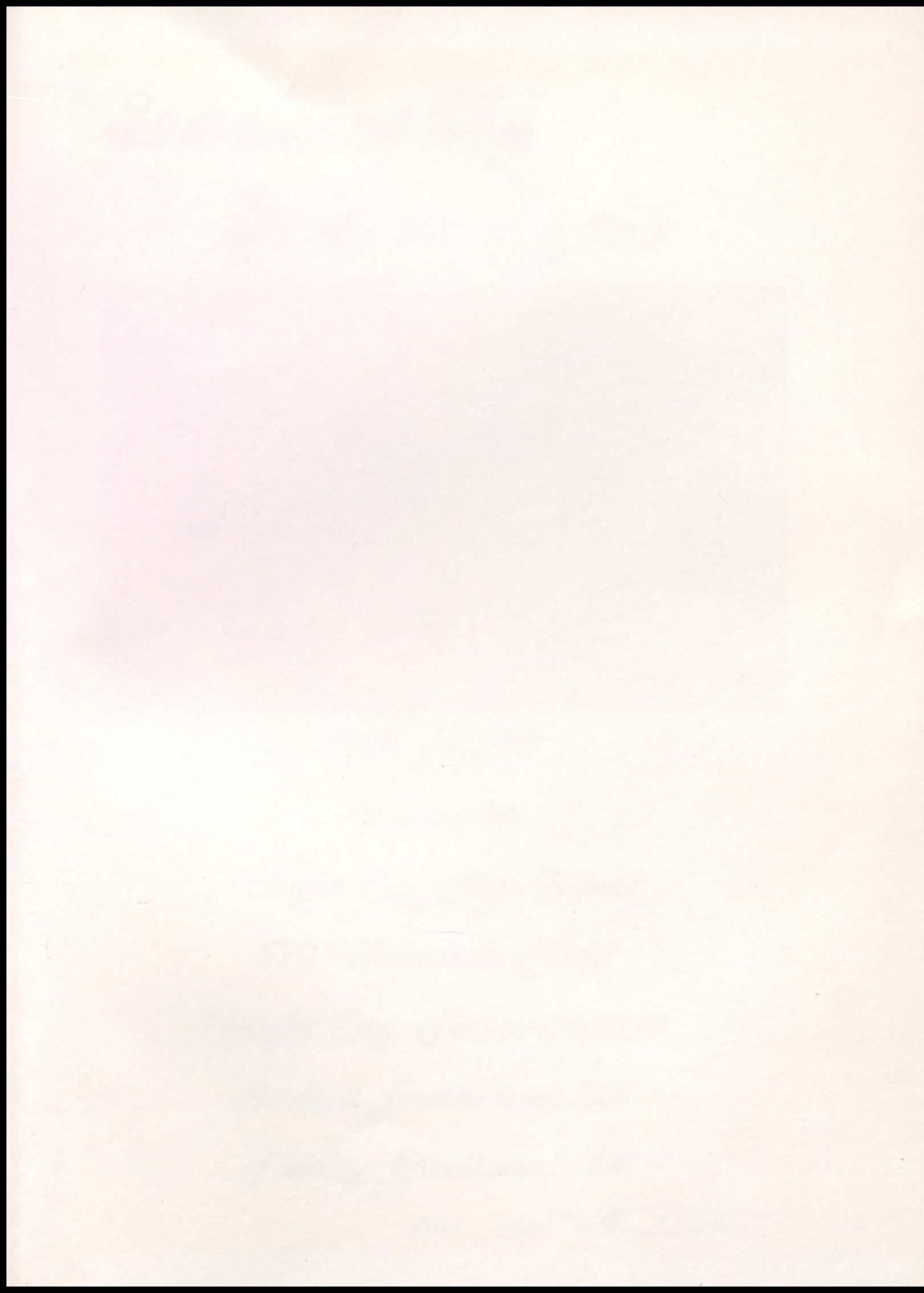
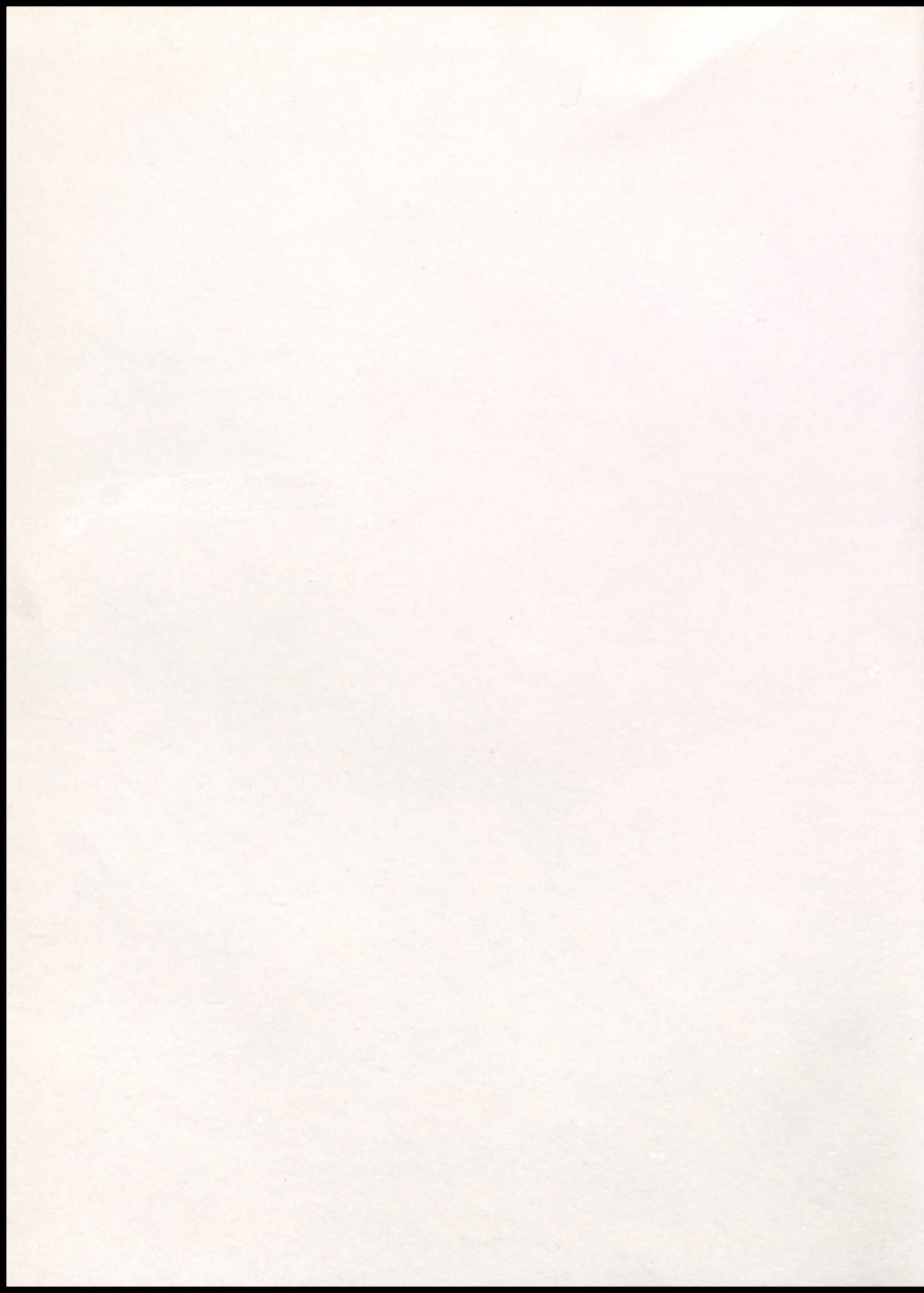




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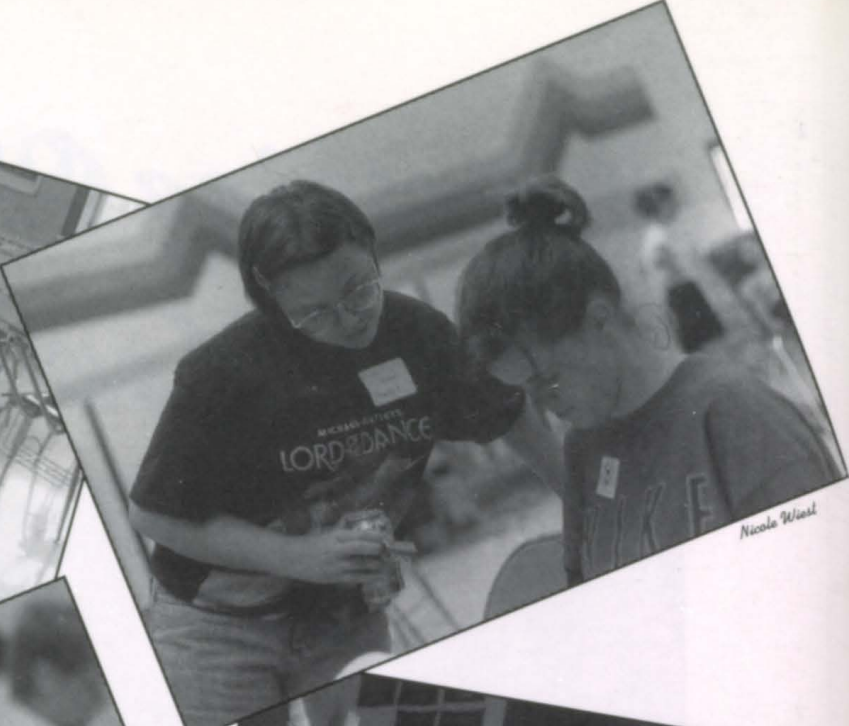
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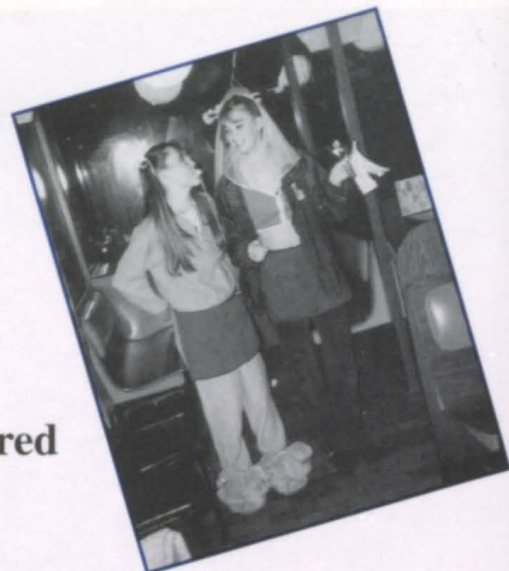
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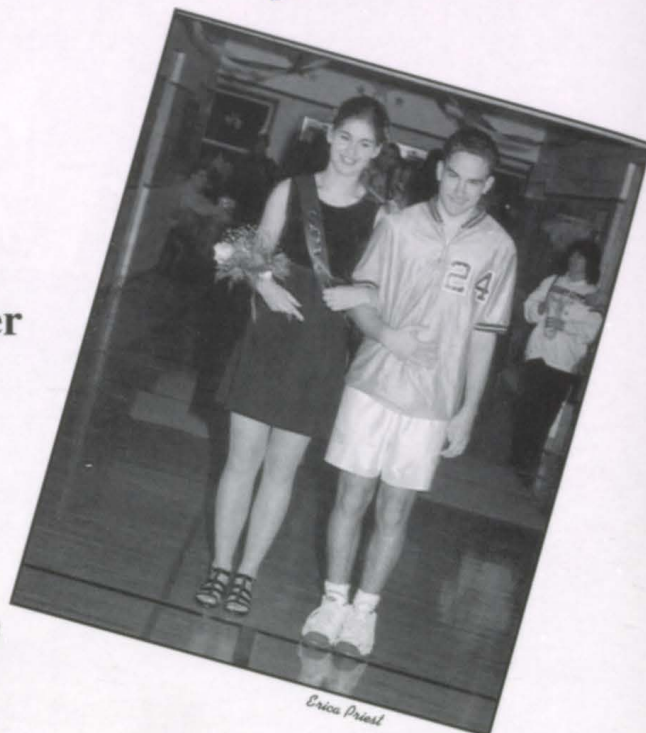
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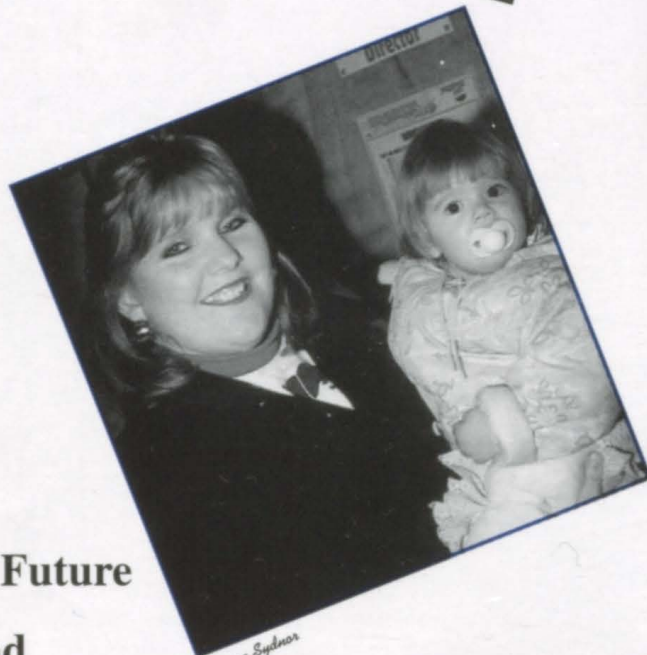
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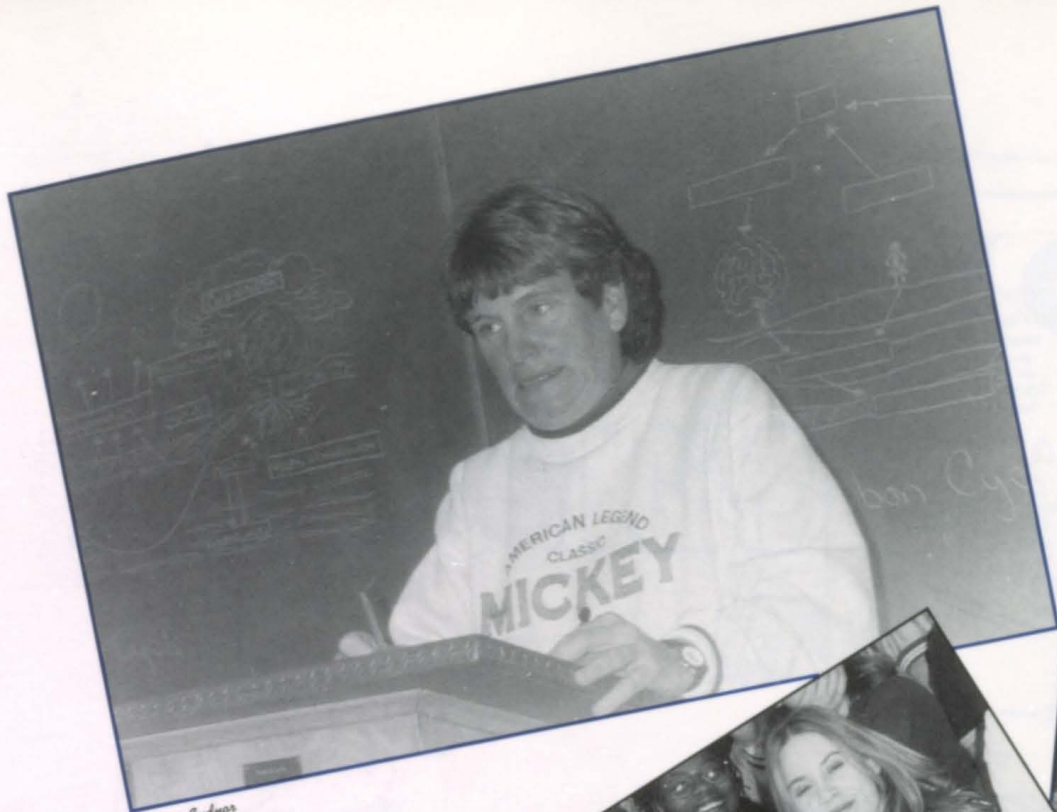
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Accomplishing Our Goals
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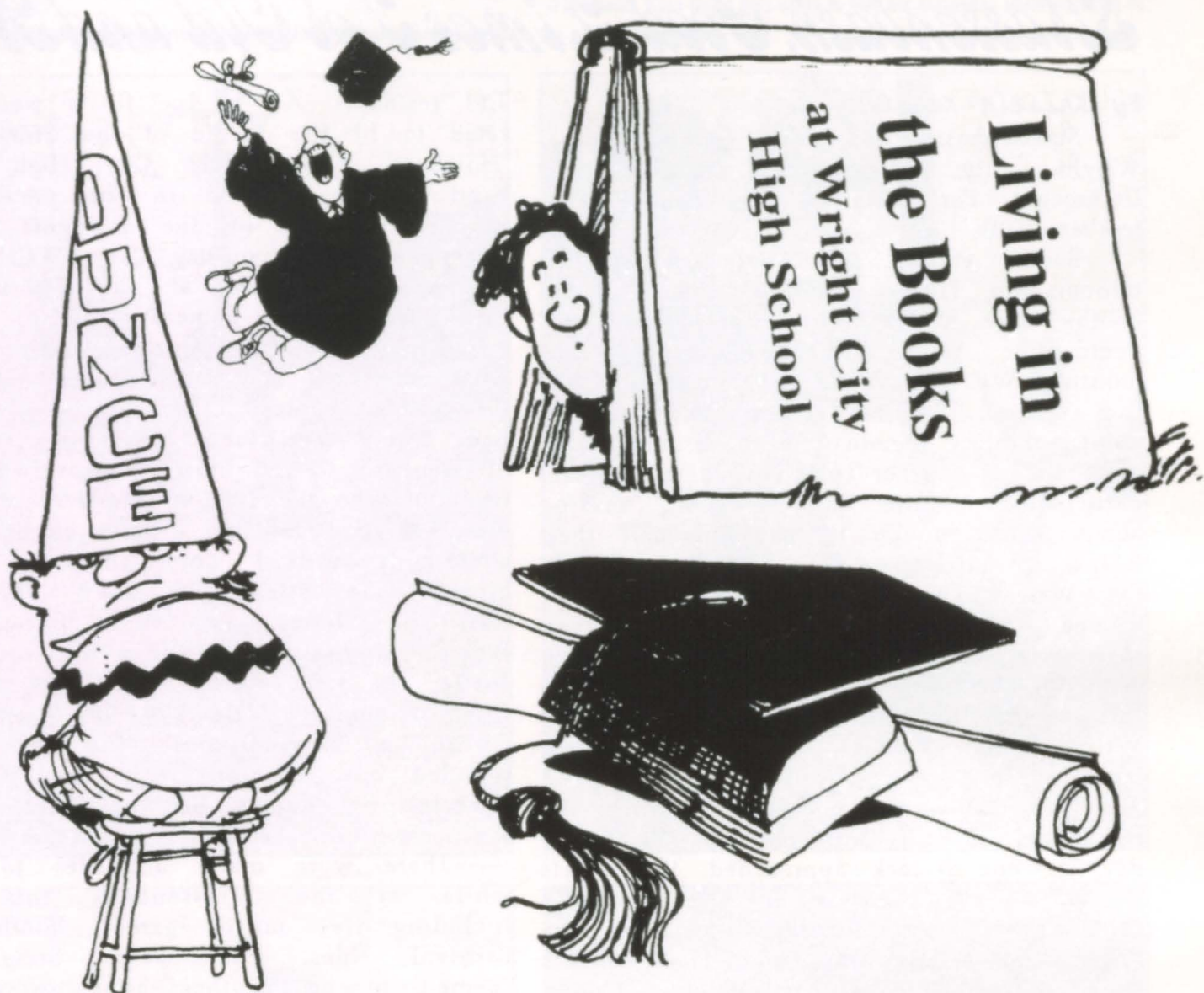


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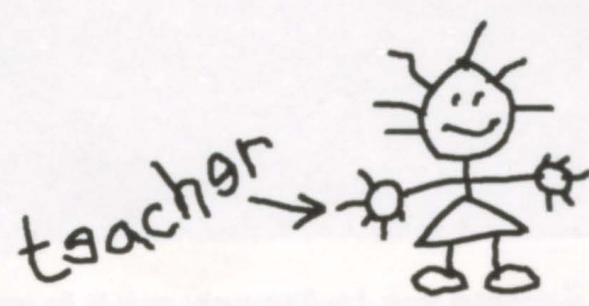
STUDENT LIFE

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The Good Life !



Strassenbash, Good Times For Old and New

By Kristin Kersting

Strassenbash time again! The annual Wright City Strassenbash, held at Deikroeger Park, started on Friday, September 19th this year.

Booths started setting up in the afternoon on Friday. Running some of the booths were Wright City High School students; the WCHS Cheerleaders had face painting, WCHS Boys Basketball had a shooting contest, WCHS soccer sold refreshments, Project Graduation had putt-putt golf and a sucker pick. The track team participated in the dunking booth, making about \$500, enough to pay for half their warm up uniforms. Also, on Friday night the Wright City Varsity Cheerleaders performed a dance routine on the main stage, that they had learned while attending a camp in the summer. "It was so fun to do this dance in front of everyone!", said Wright City Varsity Cheerleader Melissa Briscoe.

The excitement continued during the two days of the Strassenbash. On Saturday, as one o'clock approached, the streets became crowded with little children holding plastic bags, anxiously awaiting the floats. The parade was announced by the siren of a police car. Following behind were floats decorated by local businesses

and residents. All of the floats were decorated to fit the theme of the Strassenbash, "Holidays". The Wright City High School band also participated in the parade, and played in front of the residents at the Strassenbash on Saturday. "The WCHS band did a fantastic job at the Strassenbash", said senior Jaci Pomeroy.

The event of Saturday evening, and what everyone had been waiting for, was the queen contest. The queen contestants had sold raffle tickets prior to Strassenbash, and now it was time to find out who the 1997-98 Strassenbash queen was. Everyone gathered around as the queen contestants walked onto the stage. The crowd was silent as they announced Kawnisha Jones as Miss Congeniality, Jackie Cain as Third runner up, and Jamie Justice as First runner up. Now for the final moment. "The 1997-98 Strassenbash Queen is.....Erin Dixon!" The crowd applauded and cheered with excitement as the retiring queen Kristine Dorn placed the crown on Erin Dixon's head.

There were many activities to enjoy while at the Strassenbash this year, including live music, games, booths, and carnival rides. This years Strassenbash seemed to be another huge success for Wright City and the residents.



Megan Lagomann

Strassenbash Queen Erin Dixon tossing candy to the crowd during the annual Strassenbash parade.



Megan Lagomann

Queen contestants Jackie Cain and Jamie Johnson wave to the crowd as they pass by.

Wright City High School flag girls do a routine in the Strassenbash parade.



Megan Lagemann

Sophomore Ryan Doyle gets ready to play his saxophone while marching to the park.



Megan Lagemann



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Choir Coach Carla Wheeler and Cheerleaders wave as they pass through on their float.



Megan Lagemann

Jamie Schamma and Sara Youngstrom participate in the Annual Run-Walk.

Fall Fest Big Success For WCFS

By Kawnisha Jones

The lights were bright, the music was blaring and the students were getting their "groove on" at the 1997 Fall Fest Dance.

Wright City High School students had the honor of DJ Scott "Cruiser" Harris, WCHS alumni, part time faculty member, and assistant boy's basketball coach, spinning out the jams from his own private turn-table. The sound system itself got everyone into the dancin' mood!

As the students rocked on, the biggest event of the night approached—the annual queen contest. Each year the FFA chooses four girls for queen, one for each grade level. Each candidate, in turn, chooses a boy escort from their perspective grade level.

However, becoming queen is more than a popularity contest. Each contestant had to collect money and the one who collected the most becomes the Fall Fest Queen! Student

Council kept the \$45 collected from the tickets, while the FFA organization got to keep the \$127 collected by the queen.

This year the lucky, and most profitable, queen was Senior Stephanie Lawson, escorted by Jimmy Polsten.

"I really didn't care who won, I just had a lot of fun being with my friends," commented Lawson.

Other honorable mention "court" members were Amy Shubert

with her escort Matt Schlipp grades ninth and Carol Vehige with her escort Dustin Reckamp grades tenth.

The retiring 1996 fall Fest queen, Mandy Tucker and Dustin Mikus, another WC Fall Fest alumni looked on.

Elizabeth Meyer quotes "the coronation was very quick, everyone seemed very happy and anxious to see who was going to win, and the people running had very positive attitudes about who was going to win."



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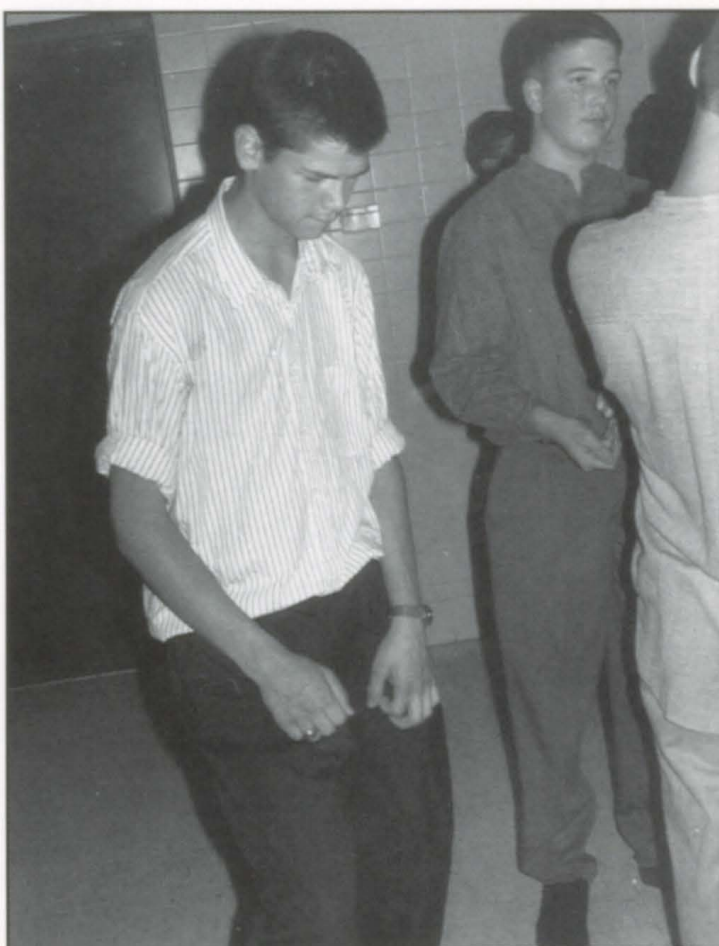
Senior candidate Stephanie Lawson as the 1997-98 Fall Fest Queen.

Freshman Keila Mozee breaks loose during the Fall Fest Dance.

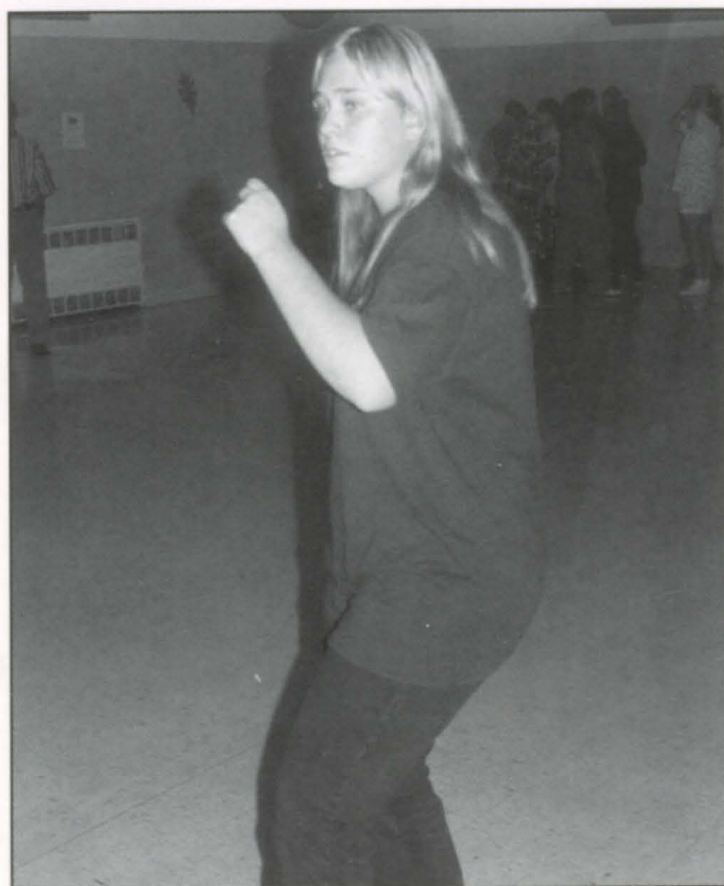


Senior Stephanie Lawson embraces a friend after winning the title of Queen.

Junior James Maestas as he dances the night away.



Erica Priest



Kristen Carlsberg



Megan Layman

Freshman Jessica Brazil enjoys a solitary moment dancing the night away.

Scott "Cruiser" Harris talks to the students about music.

A Blast From The Past

By Megan Lagemann & Missy Briscoe

As you walk down the halls of Wright City High School, you may feel as though you are going back in time. Many fashions and trends from past generations are becoming popular again among the students.

Bell-bottoms, flowing skirts, platform shoes, and baby-doll dresses are dominating teenage girls' wardrobes. "I was at my grandma's about a year ago. She pulled out a box of old clothes my mom used to wear. I took what I thought was cute. All the clothes in the box are in style now and I like all the bright colors," said freshman Beth Dunakey.

Along with these fashion trends are the retro accessories such as beaded necklaces, symbol rings, and baby barrettes for the flowergirl hairstyle

that is seen everywhere. "I have a lot of varieties of baby barrettes. I wear them to keep my bangs back and they're cool," stated sophomore Laura Vrabel.

These fashion statements also include lava lamps, smiley faces, peace signs, and all sorts of bright, neon colors similar to the fads of the 1970s. Junior Jada Watson commented about what she liked best about the incoming trends. "My favorite things are rainbows and tie-dyed things. It's better than wearing the plain old stuff everyday."

However, fashion is not the only fad blasting us from the past, and girls are not the only ones adopting them. What fads from the 60's and 70's are coming back for the guys?

Dave Holiway's

1975 Dodge Sport means a lot to him because he fixed up the 22 year old car, keeping the classic look with a modern touch. Holiway, who found his car in a field, predicts that it will carry him through college. "I like it because I don't have car payments and I saved a lot of money," states Holiway.

Eric Creech has Wildcat spirit in his 1967 Buick "Wildcat" Convertible. Creech's dad bought the car when he was younger. This 30 year old convertible will be taken to college as well. "I like my car because it's my first and my dad gave it to me," Creech replies proudly.

When senior Nick Girondo looks around Wright City High School, he sees a lot of the same clothes that his parents used

to wear. "I notice the bell-bottoms, cotton zipper shirts, corduroys, and jewelry. I feel like the 60's and 70's styles have arrived at Wright City High School, but it is just a fad that will eventually fade," said Girondo.

Some students believe the 60's and 70's fashions will fade just like the tight rolled pants and high top Reeboks did in the 80s, but will probably reappear in about 20 to 30 years. Other students feel that these fashions and trends won't be popular again, but seen only in pictures and back dated yearbooks.

Even if we never see these styles again, we will always have the memory of how "cool" we thought we looked.

The next question asked is, "Will the 80s be back, too?"



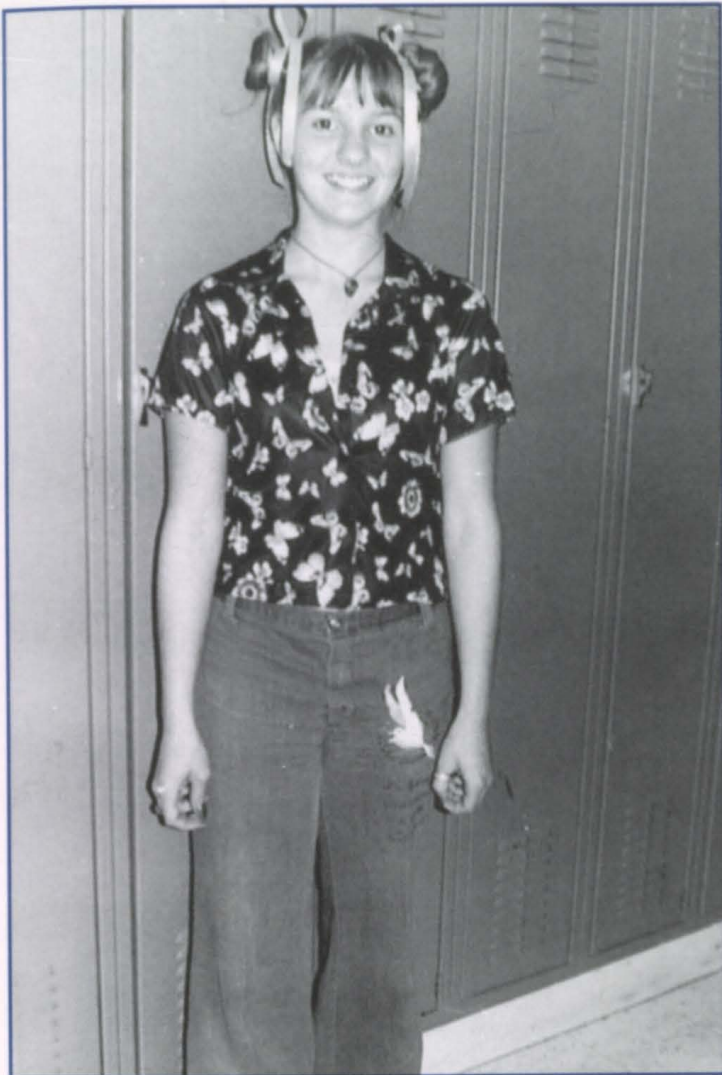
Megan Lagemann

Senior Eric Creech relaxes in his prized 1967 Buick Wildcat.



Megan Lagemann

Senior Dave Holiway shows off his 1975 Dodge Sport.



Freshman Beth Dunakey makes a fashion statement with her original 60's outfit.

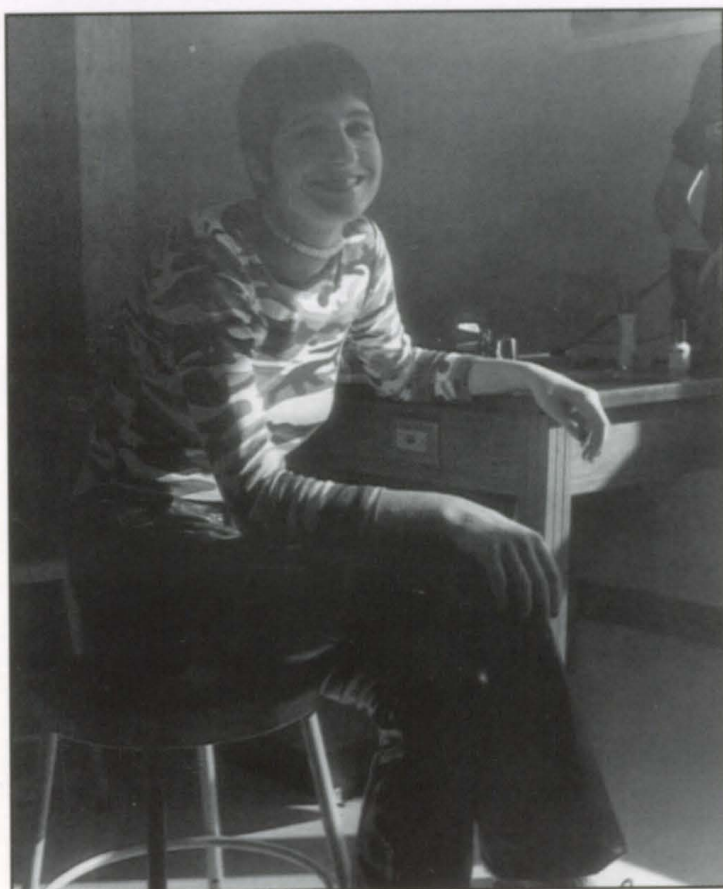


Junior Rachel Waller shows a retro taste for clothes with her striped 70's shirt.



Junior Rachael Vickers enjoys wearing leather pants and camoflauge.

Junior Angie Chism and sophomore Jessica Iannicola put a foot up for bringing back bell bottoms.



Junior Angie Chism shows her Halloween spirit as she dresses up with her halo and her wings.



Devon Pollerito

Senior Nick Gironde and Sophomore Megan Lagemann as the "Spartan Cheerleaders" from Saturday Night Live.



Becky Novelli



Devon Pollerito



Nicole Wiest

Paul Dutton, senior, goes all out with his Energizer Bunny costume.

Senior T.J. Pugh and Junior Leahan Ostman dress up for Halloween.

Halloween: A Spooktacular Time

By Paula Zaghetto

The day at Wright City High started weird with some strange creatures arriving at school. The Energizer Bunny, a.k.a. Senior Paul Dutton, spent the morning banging on his drum, while a giant green frog, Sophomore Dustin Mikus, strolled around. Some other interesting costumes were Junior Wendell Craig as the Cookie Monster, Junior Erica Priest as Jeanie from "I Dream of Jeanie," Senior Alexis Pomeroy as a bumble bee, Senior Nick Gironde and Sophomore Megan Legamann as Spartan cheerleaders from "Saturday Night Live," and Senior Amy

Pettig as 'mama' from "Mama's Family."

In the annual Student Council Halloween Contest, the Energizer Bunny, and the Pillsbury Dough Boy, a.k.a. Sophomore Kevin Huggins, tied for first place. The two were awarded five dollar gift certificates. Sophomore Brandy Hindman was awarded a sporty wildcat t-shirt for 2nd place, and Mikus took home a six-pack of Surge for 3rd place.

In this year's Art Club pumpkin-carving-contest, the winner was a vampire-carved pumpkin, made by Senior Jaci Pomeroy, also the winner from last year. The prize was a

bag of Halloween candy. There were four pumpkins entered in the contest. "I hope next year we have more people in the contest, like the years before," commented Mr. Beer.

The Wright City track athletes spread Halloween fear with the "Haunted Field," a fundraiser to help the team. The field, set up by track member Anna Braun and her family, took place during the last two weekends in October. "It's fun to scare little kids," said Braun, "and it was fun.....cold, but fun!"

More than 35 students showed up. Sophomore Kawnisha Jones worked there as

the Hunch-Back of Notre Dame.

"I had a lot of fun when people were going through the field, and when there were no people, we scared each other," said Jones.

Senior Natascha Kurzmeyer, the exchange student from Switzerland, took part in the scary event. Kurzmeyer also dressed up to entertain audiences.

"I worked on the second weekend and we stayed at the bonfire almost the whole night because nobody was there to be scared, but we had fun scaring each other and eating marshmallows," said Kurzmeyer.

Have fun..., and... BOO!



Nicole Wiest



Nicole Wiest

Jaci Pomeroy's pumpkin creation that won the pumpkin contest.

Various students dress up for Halloween as they show their school spirit.

Something Worth Giving

by Nicole Wiest

The semi-annual blood drive held at Wright City High School had students, teachers and local community members alike in the spirit of giving.

The local F.F.A. and F.H.A. chapters have sponsored the blood drive for several years and each year high school students come to donate blood, despite the 17 year old age limit. Even the few that could not donate came to support nervous friends who were donating a pint of blood. Others volunteered to help donors to their chairs, give them re-

freshments, and offer words of encouragement.

"The blood drive is a great way to give back to your community," said F.F.A. volunteer Lisa Vrabel.

The event lasted from 2:00 PM until 7:00 pm and 21 pints of blood were collected.

This year's blood drive was a success because of those who donated blood and volunteered their time.

"It gives them a chance to do something not for themselves," said F.H.A. Sponsor Mrs. Benita Springman. That's what giving is all about!

WCHS teacher Mr. Wiegert chuckles before giving his blood to those in need.

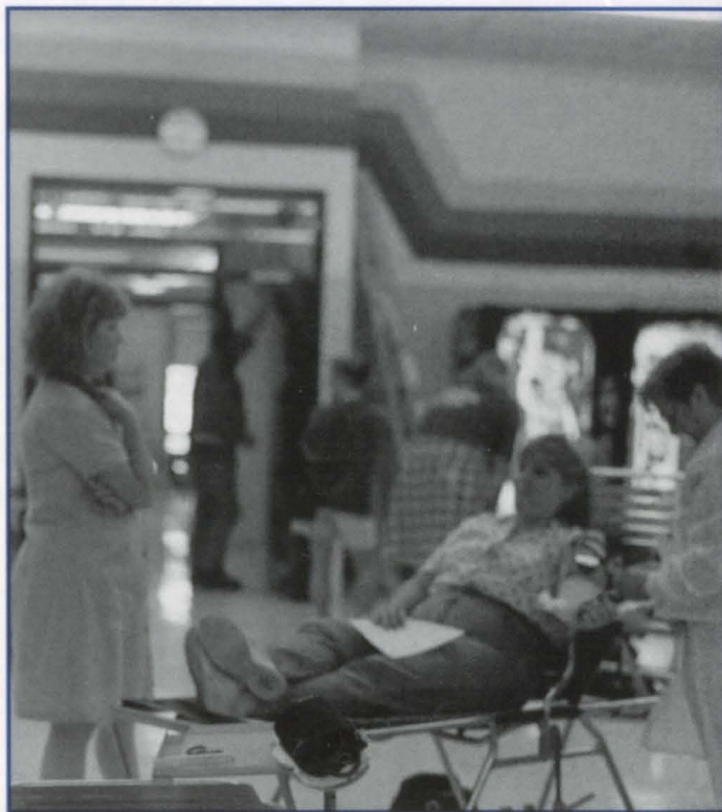


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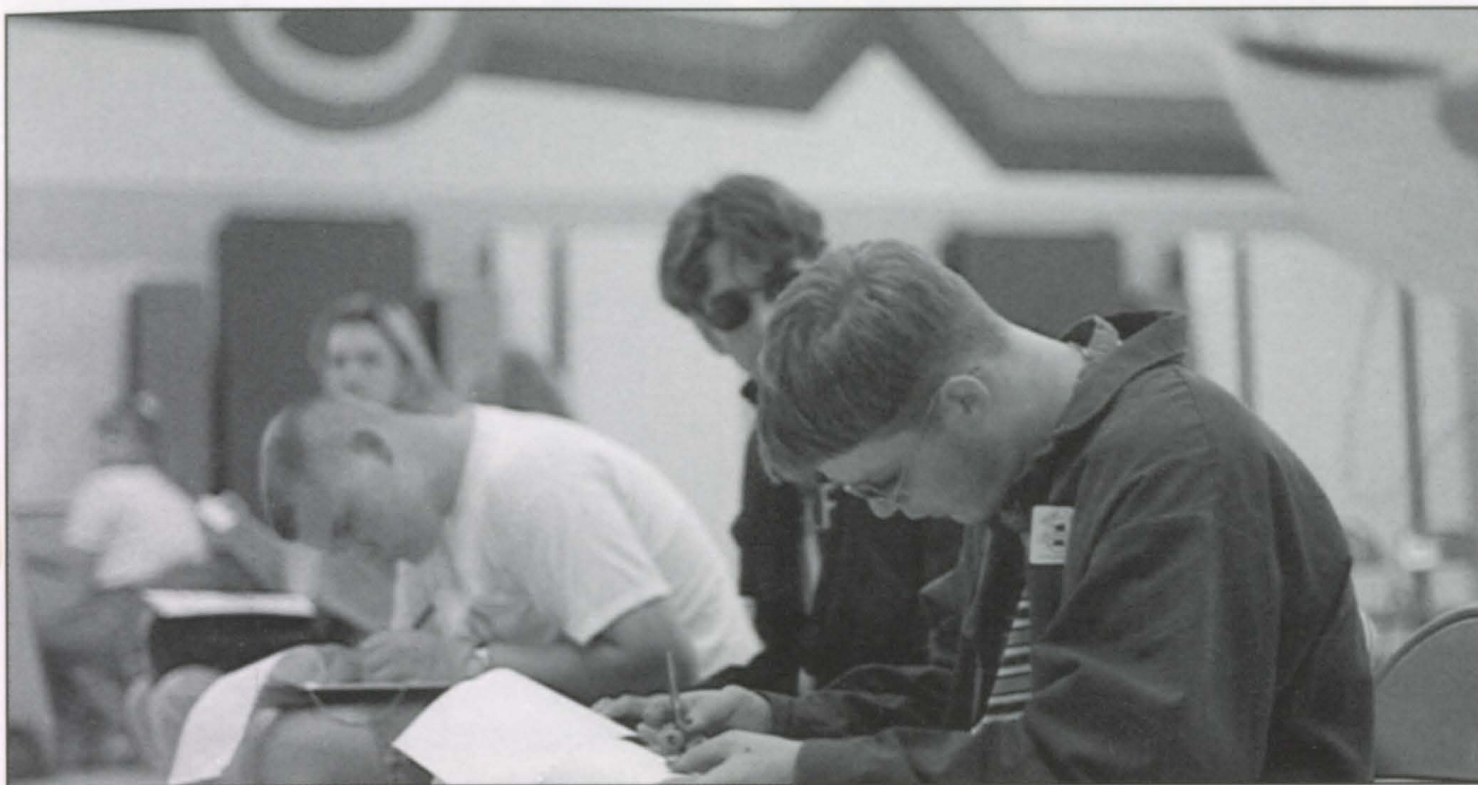
Freshmen students run the snack table at the annual blood drive held by Red Cross.



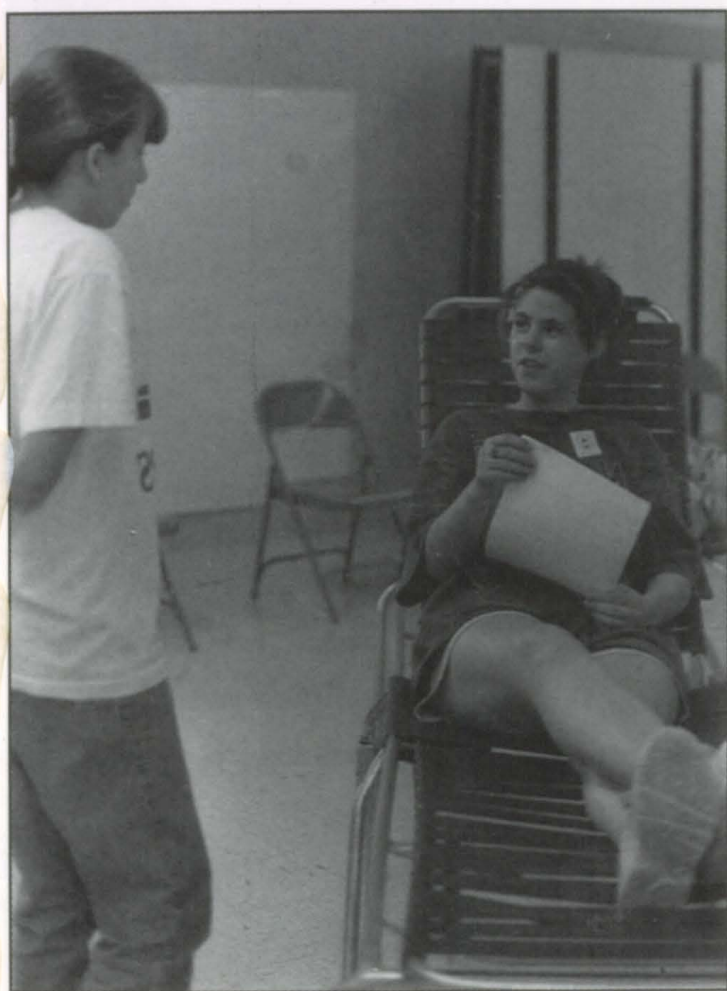
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Teachers Mrs. Springman and Mrs. Grey wait in line to have their blood taken.

Senior Steve Deardeuff fills out paperwork as he waits in line to give blood at WCHS Blood Drive.

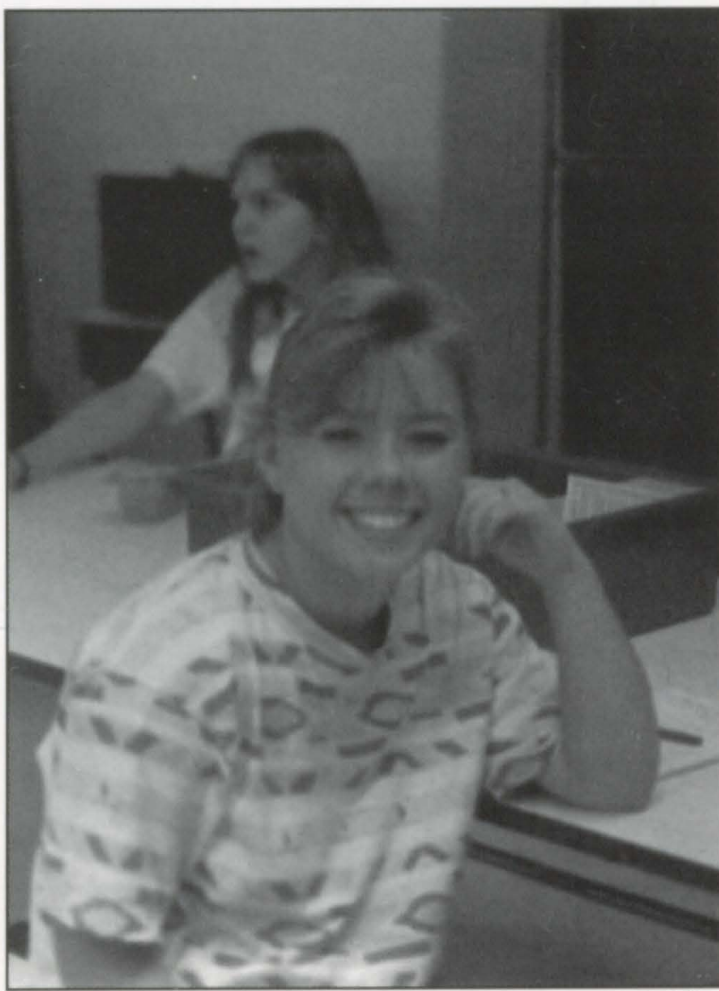


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Senior Jamie Justice fills out paperwork while waiting to have her blood taken.



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Sophomore Carol Vehige relaxes at the snack table during the annual blood drive.

Wildcats Let Their Spirit Show

By Devin Pellerito

Class of '98 wins spirit trophy for the second consecutive year! The class was ecstatic when Mrs. Freeman announced that seniors won the spirit trophy. Because of their extreme spirit they collected over 200 cans for the food drive, and won the majority of the games.

"It was fun to see that we kept the tradition of seniors winning," commented Senior Jessica Harrison.

Spirit week was scheduled for December 8-12, but due to the weather it turned into spirit weeks. December 9 was Beach Party Day. December 10-12 went as follows: Plaid Day, Blue and Gold Day, and Hats and Sweats Day. December 12 was an exciting day for the students. Last, December 15 was Country Western Day.

Before spirit games began "A Christmas Carol" was performed by The St. Louis Repertory Theatre Company. After that, there was a motivational laser show, that talked to the students about the effects of drugs and alcohol on teenagers and

athletes, and the consequences they face. They also talked about making the right choices throughout their lives.

"It was more interesting than a speaker because it grabbed your attention and held onto it with music and lights and stuff," commented sophomore Nicole Wiest.

Then, the spirit games were just a couple hours after that. The student council thought of a new game so the students wouldn't have to play all the same games as last year. The new game was called Dough Boy. To do that game the students had to get into some inner tubes and run across the gym floor. Some other games were the 3 legged race, the relay, leapfrog, paper towel roll, scooter board, and the wheelbarrel.

"The spirit games were really fun. I think we should do it more than once a year," commented Freshman Mason Markham.

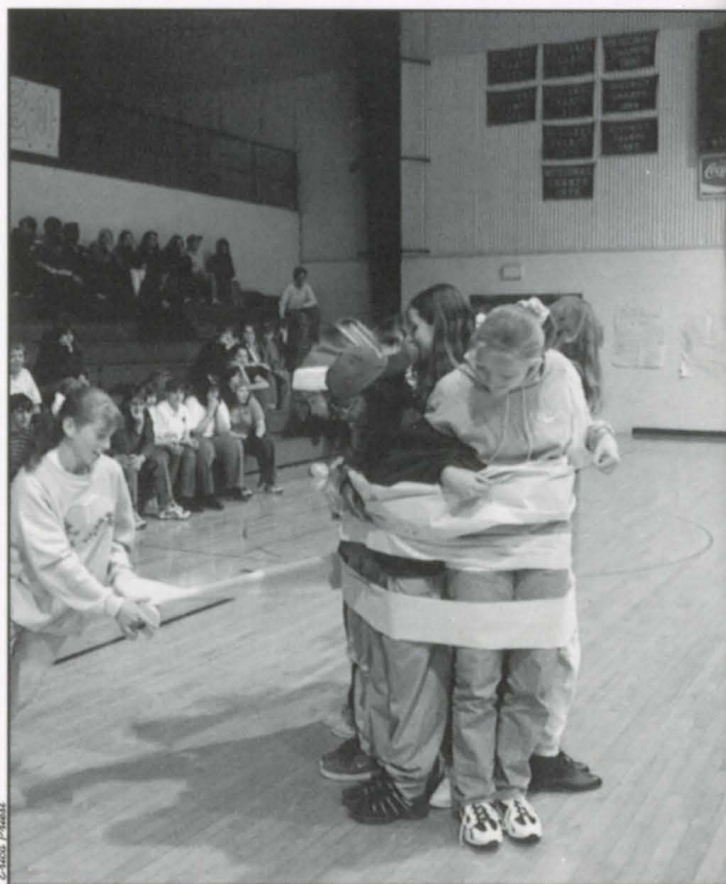
Over all the students had a great time and even throughout the bad weather the week was a success.



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Actors from The St. Louis Repertory Imaginary Theatre Company acting out "A Christmas Carol."

Freshmen students huddle together as their classmate Trisha Gerland wraps them up in paper towels.



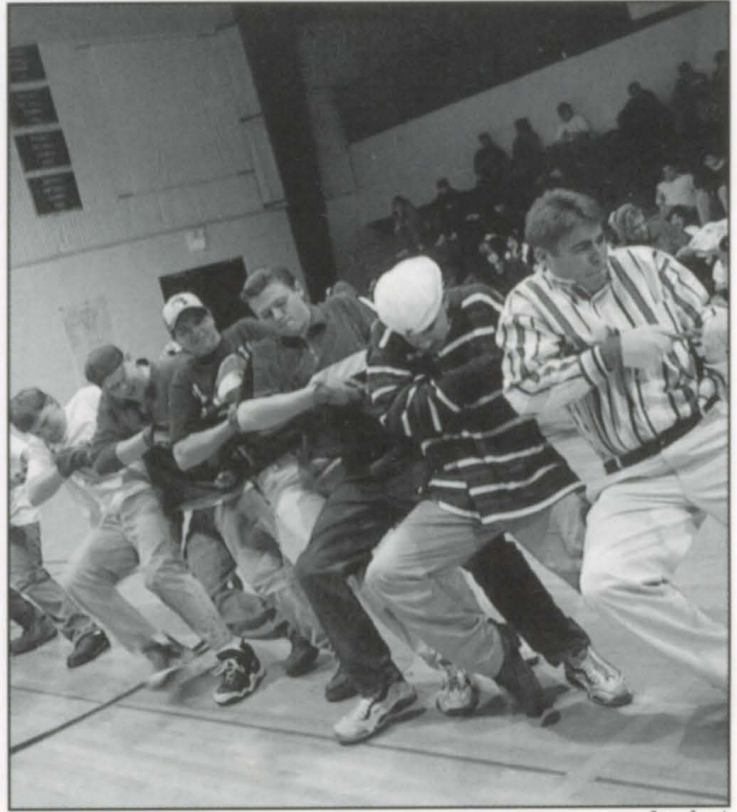
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Tonya Sydnor claims the spirit trophy for the seniors during the spirit games, December 12.

Sophomore guys show their strength as they tug on the rope to win the tug-o-war competition.



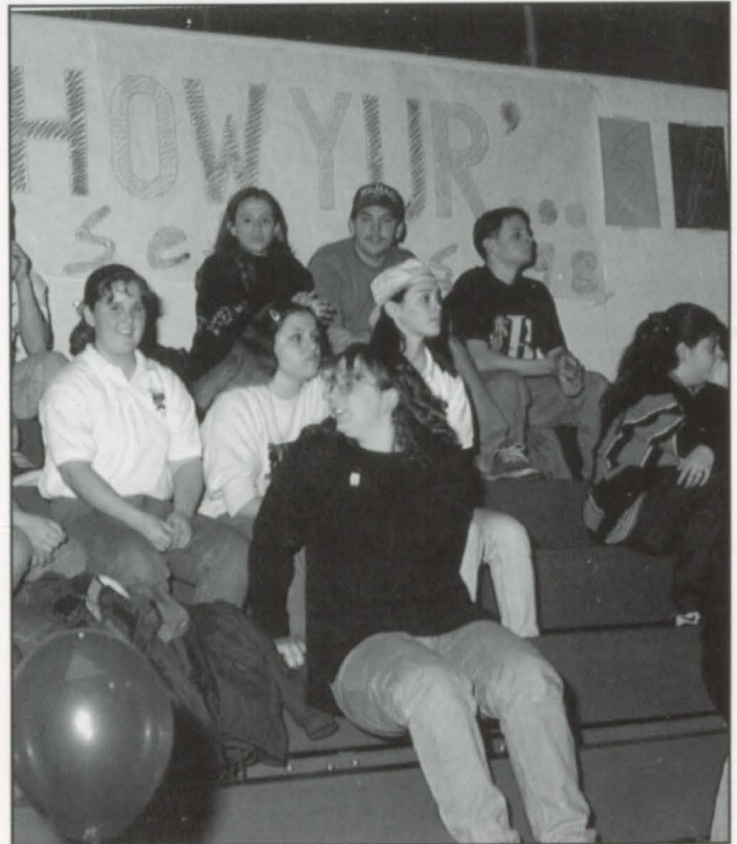
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Devin Pollardo

Senior Jake Boyd tugs as hard as he can to get the rope on the senior side to defeat their opponents.

Students sit in the crowd as they cheer their class on during spirit games, December 12.



Devin Pollardo

Students See Sun, Moon, and Stars at Annual Homecoming Dance

By Nicole Wiest

Slow music, dimmed lighting, and blue and gold decorations turned the high school gym into a homecoming wonderland on December 13 for the Wright City High School Homecoming Dance.

The festivities began on Friday, December 12 when the Homecoming court was announced during halftime at the boys home basketball game against Whitfield. The following night members, King: Travis Borrego, Queen: Tonya Sydnor, Prince: Chris Lewis, Princess: Lauren Holiway, and other court members had a special dance dedicated to them.

"It was a great privilege to be chosen Home-

coming Queen by my peers, I will always cherish the memory," said Queen Tonya Sydnor.

The Decorations were all handmade by The High School Art classes and High School Student Council members due to lack of funds.

The theme "Sun, Moon, and Stars" had students dancing the night away. Songs such as "Y.M.C.A", "Macarena", and "Tubthumping" were played during the dance and the softball team all danced to "We are Family" remembering the fun times of their softball days.

The dance ended at 11 p.m. and students left with smiles on their faces, and memories in their hearts.

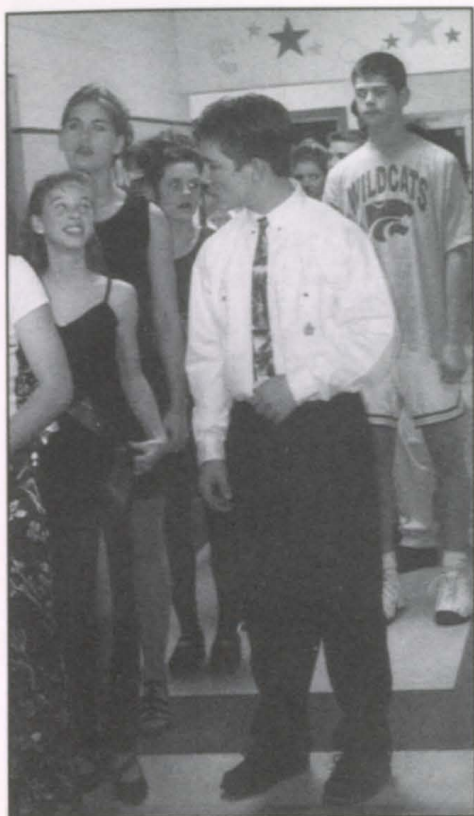


Various students hang out as they dance the night away at the annual Homecoming dance, December 13.

Tonya Sydnor and Travis Borrego stand together as the judges announce them as Homecoming king and queen.



Students gather in the hallway as they anticipate the judging for the Homecoming king, queen, prince, and princess.



Retiring queen Angie Will crowns Lauren Holiway as the 1997-'98 Homecoming princess.



Princess candidate Amy Schubert, and her escort Matt Schlipp walk together during halftime.



Homecoming king and queen candidates watch as retiring queen Angie Will crowns Lauren Holiway as the 1997-'98 Homecoming princess.

Foreign Exchange Students Bring New Trends

By Jessica Harrison

This school year the high school welcomed exchange students from Australia, Brazil, and Switzerland. They are sixteen year old seniors Paula Zaghetto from Brazil, Natascha Kurzmeyer from Switzerland, and seventeen year old David Hopwood from Australia.

They find this school much different from the schools they previously attended in their homelands. This is mainly because of the stricter rules here, such as no smoking and not being able to leave school premises during the day. The way the teachers are involved with the students is also a change. "The teachers are more open-armed," Kurzmeyer said.

After school, they find the lack of things to do tiring. Zaghetto just goes home and watches cartoons. She likes how the characters are drawn "so cute." Kurzmeyer goes out with friends, when she is not stuck at home with homework. Hopwood just hangs out with friends.

If they were in their home countries, after school they would take off with their friends and go to clubs; but they are not the types of clubs we are used to. The clubs are not school sponsored because the schools are less interactive with their students than American schools are. In their countries, they have after school clubs such as special bands, choirs, and sports, including soccer, basketball and mountain biking.

Both Kurzmeyer and Zaghetto attended private school in their home countries. In both Brazil and Switzerland, a public school diploma is of less value than one achieved at a private school. Unlike the other two exchange students, David Hopwood attended a public school.

Coming to Wright City High School has certainly been a big change from attending the schools in their countries!

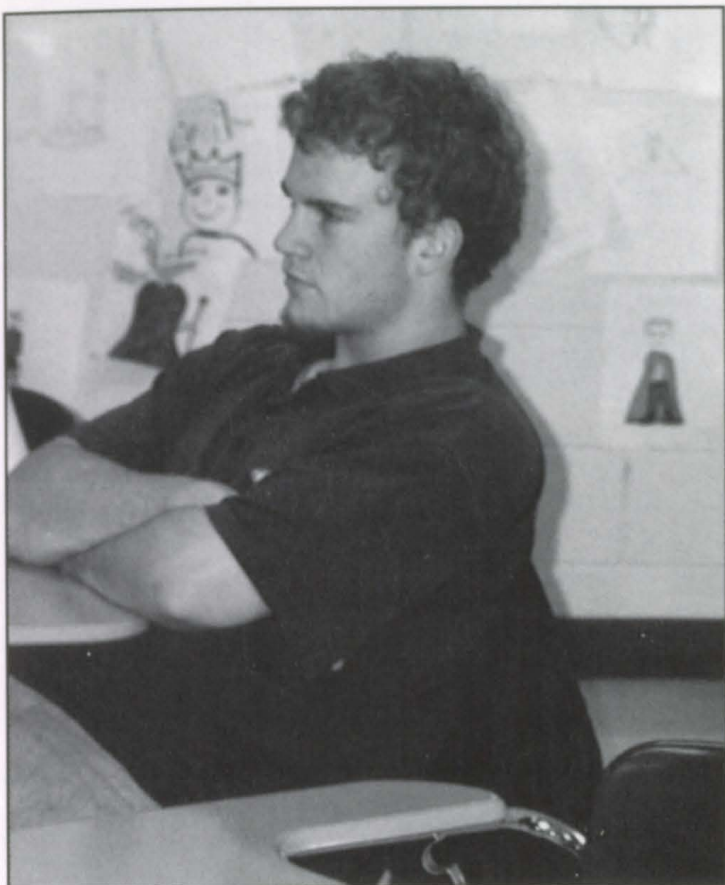


Paula Zaghetto, foreign exchange student from Brazil, works on a math assignment.

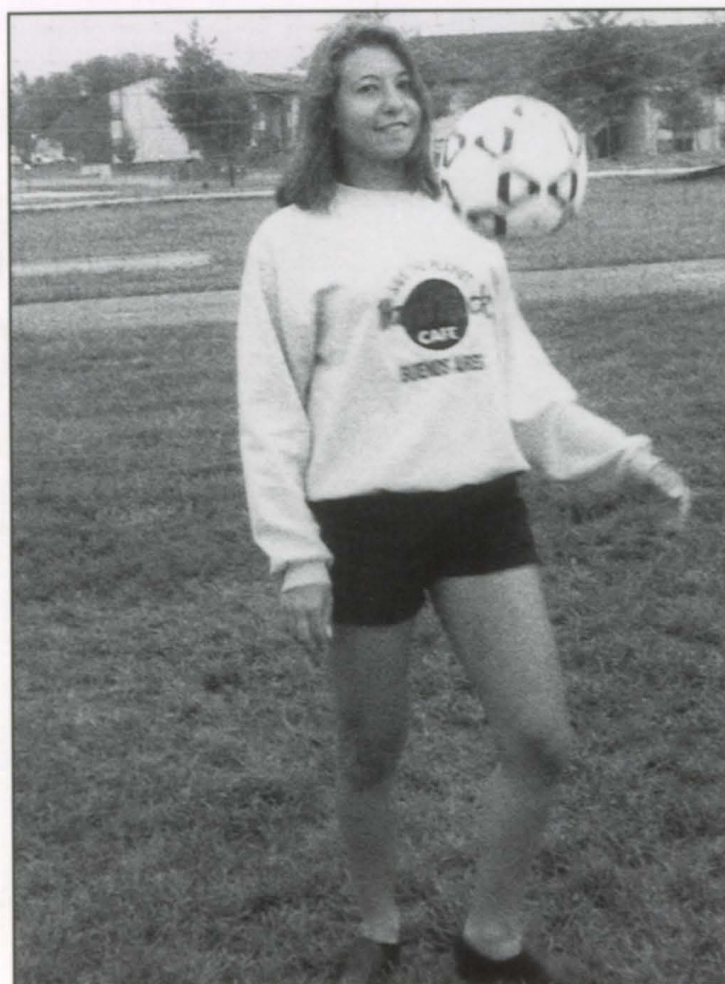
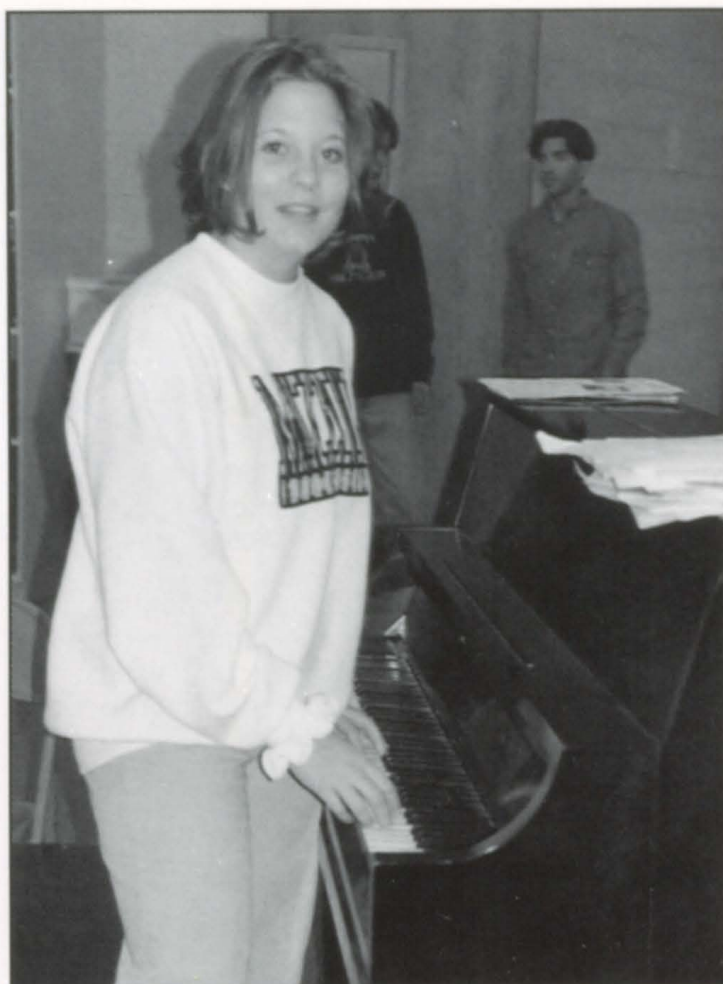
Natascha Kurzmeyer, a foreign exchange student from Switzerland, waits in front of the high school.



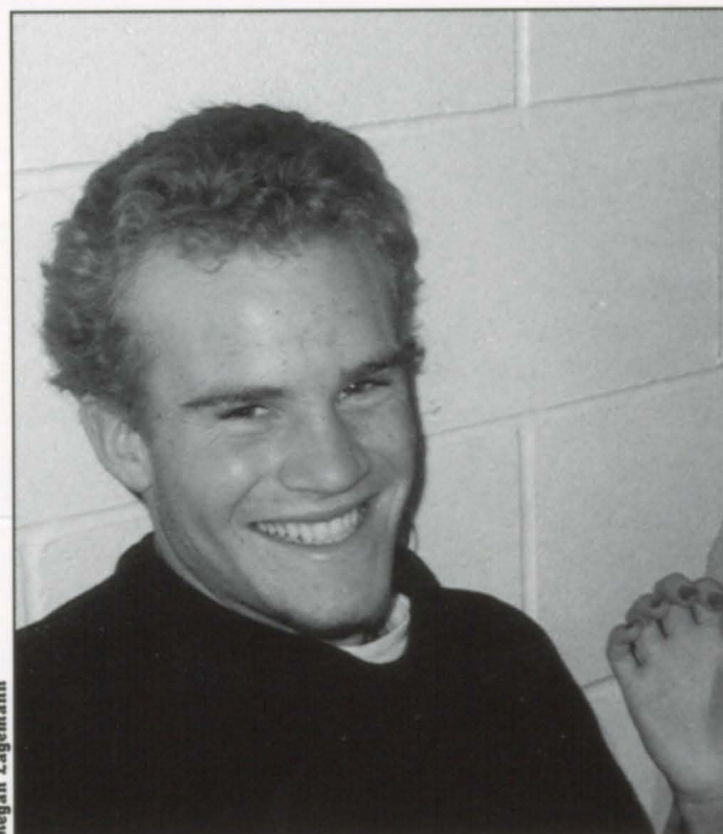
David Hopwood listens intently to one of his teacher's lectures.



Natascha Kurzmeyer has some fun with the piano during her band class.



Megan Eagemann



Paula Zaghetto was one of the few girls to be on WCHS soccer team.

Senior David Hopwood, a foreign exchange student from Australia, laughs with classmate Holly Jarvis in Eng. II.

Wildcats March On!

By Missy Briscoe

Wright City's High School Band has marched its way through another successful school year.

The marching band repeated their second place victory on October 11, 1997 when they traveled to Fayette for competition.

On October 18, 1997 the marching band participated in Mizzou's homecoming parade. Performing "Prolouge" by Mike Story, the band was awarded a second place trophy in the 2A division.

"The homecoming parade was a neat experience. There were thousands of people lining the streets cheering for the bands. I had a great time!" said sophomore Carol

Vehige.

"I was a flag girl, and I was excited because we got our best review from Fayette this year," said Senior Annie Braun.

The band has also had tons of success with pep band this year. The pep band performed at home games before the varsity game and during varsity half-time. In November the pep band traveled to the Ice Sports Complex. They performed their normal routine and did very well. In fact they did so well, they were invited back twice. Mr. Blackmore is very pleased with the pep band and stated, "It's one of the best I've ever had."



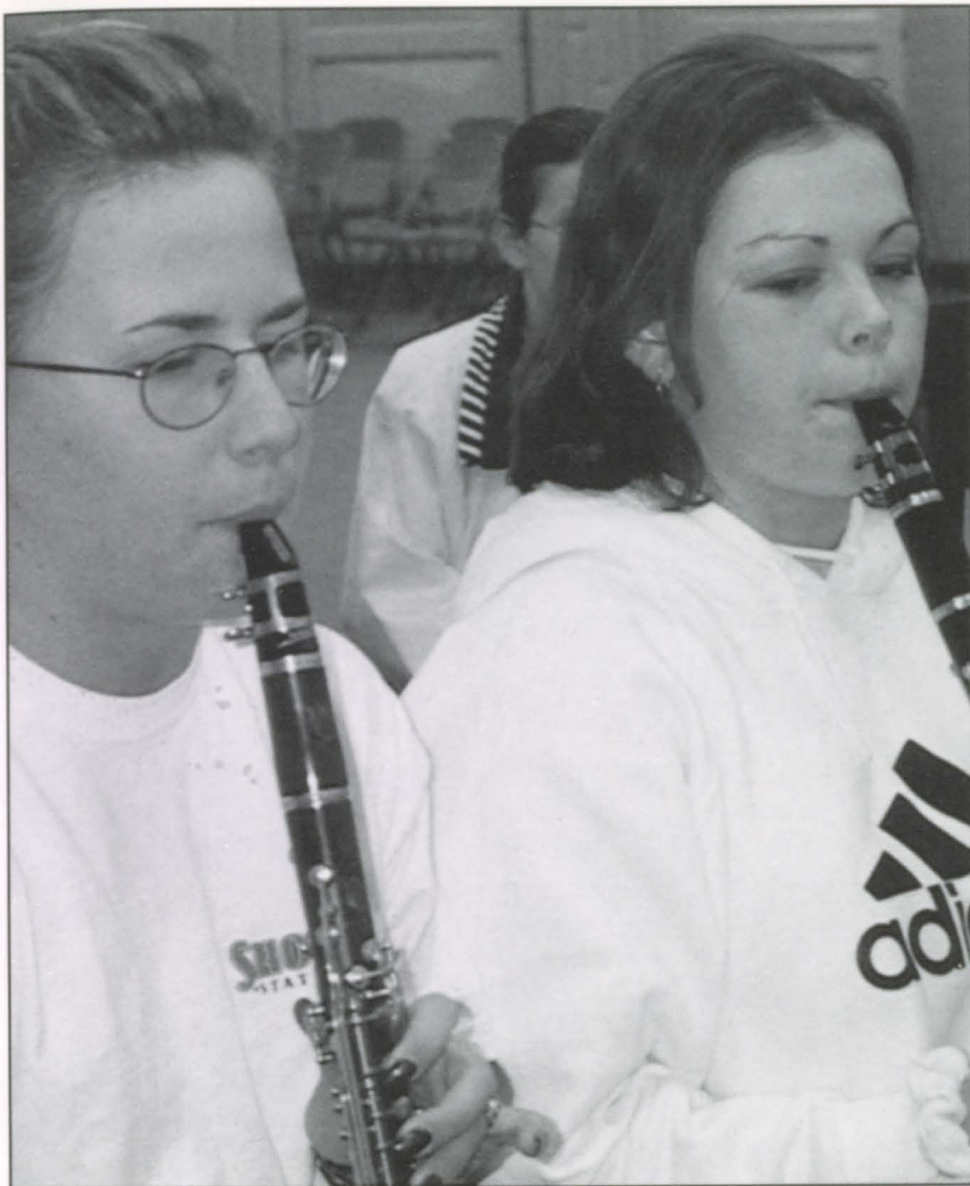
Nadine Brownfield

Mr. Blackmore conducts the band as they prepare for their state competition.

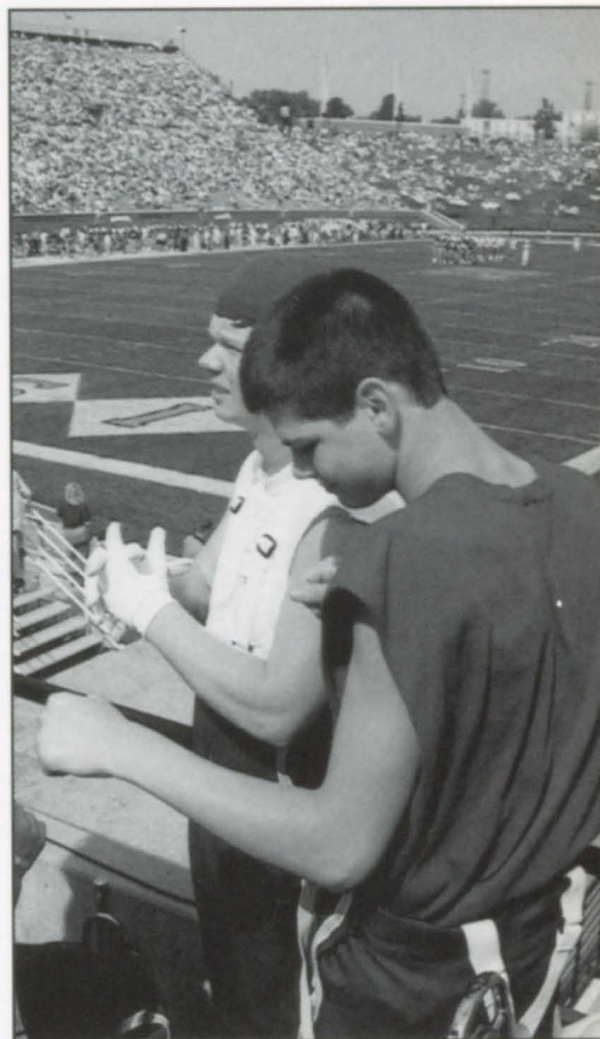
Senior Nick Gironde demonstrates how he plays his tuba by showing everyone his tongue.



Tonya Sydnor



Juniors Kristine Dorn and Erin Dixon play their clarinets for the students next door in the cafeteria.



Becky Novelli

Tonya Sydnor



Senior Dan Neill and Junior James Maestas encouraging each other as they prepare for the Mizzou competition on Oct. 18.

Band students play hard for Mr. Blackmore as he tries to make them the best they can be in band and throughout the rest of their lives.

Becky Novelli

Freshman Patricia Gerland helps an elementary student pet a baby calf.



Nicole Wiest



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FFA Sponsor Mrs. Ferguson holds a furry rabbit for elementary students to pet.



Nicole Wiest

Elementary Principal Carl Otten shears a sheep while elementary students and FFA members look on.



Nicole Wiest

Junior Devin Pellerito tries to get the attention of some sleeping newborn kittens.

Freshman FFA member Kelly Howard shows two elementary students how to pet a goat.



Nicole Wiest

FFA Continues Barnyard Day Tradition

By Nicole Wiest

On Friday, May 8th, several Wright City High School FFA members took part in the annual Barnyard Day held at the Elementary School. The day is sponsored by the FFA chapter every year and gives children the opportunity to see and pet a variety of animals ranging from

pigs to turkeys, and yes...even a baby calf! The children's enjoyment was evident by the sound of laughter and the looks of curiosity.

"I like Barnyard Day because I love animals," commented third grader Pam Bunting.

Just like the elementary students, high school FFA

members had a good time.

"It's fun to play with all the animals and see the kids' faces when they get to pet the animals," said FFA secretary Carol Vehige.

Both elementary students and high school FFA members will agree that the day was a lot of fun and a great learning experience.

1997-98 Year in Review

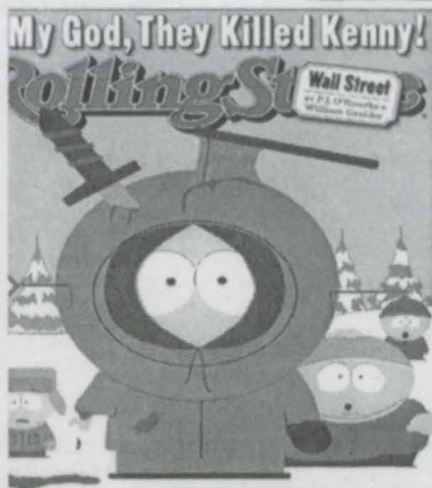


Actor Chris Farley died in 1997 after his heart gave out from excessive drug and alcohol use. (left)

Mark McGwire started his first full season with the Cardinals and is considered the next Babe Ruth by St. Louis fans. (Right)



Dawson's Creek aired on The WB for the first time, and was immediately hailed a success by teens due to its controversial issues and steamy plots. (Above)



South Park made its debut on Comedy Central and is considered T.V.'s rude, crude comedy hit. (Left)

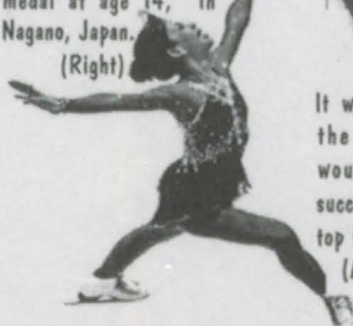


Disney opened a new theme-park in Florida called Animal Kingdom, featuring animals from around the world. (Left)

President Clinton was accused of having affairs with several women, including Monica Lewinsky and Paula Jones.



U.S. figure skater, Tara Lipinski, captivated the world when she was awarded the 1998 Olympic gold medal at age 14, in Nagano, Japan. (Right)



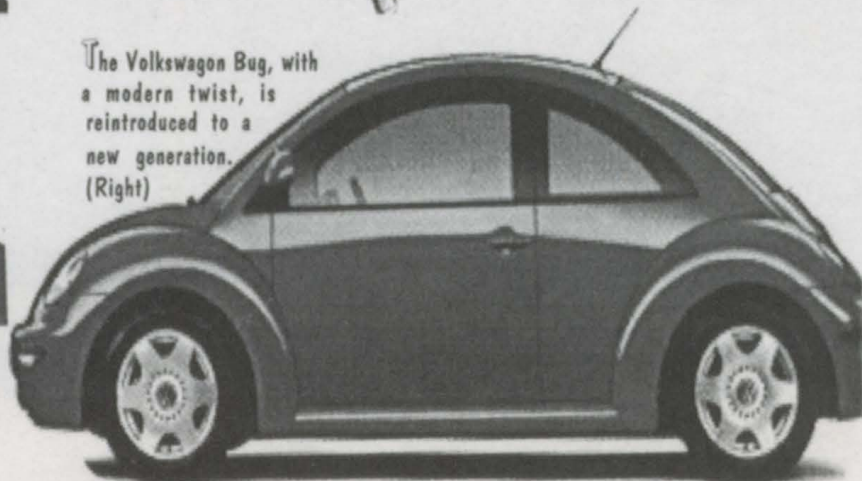
Emmy award winning T.V. show, Seinfeld, says goodbye after 9 seasons on NBC.

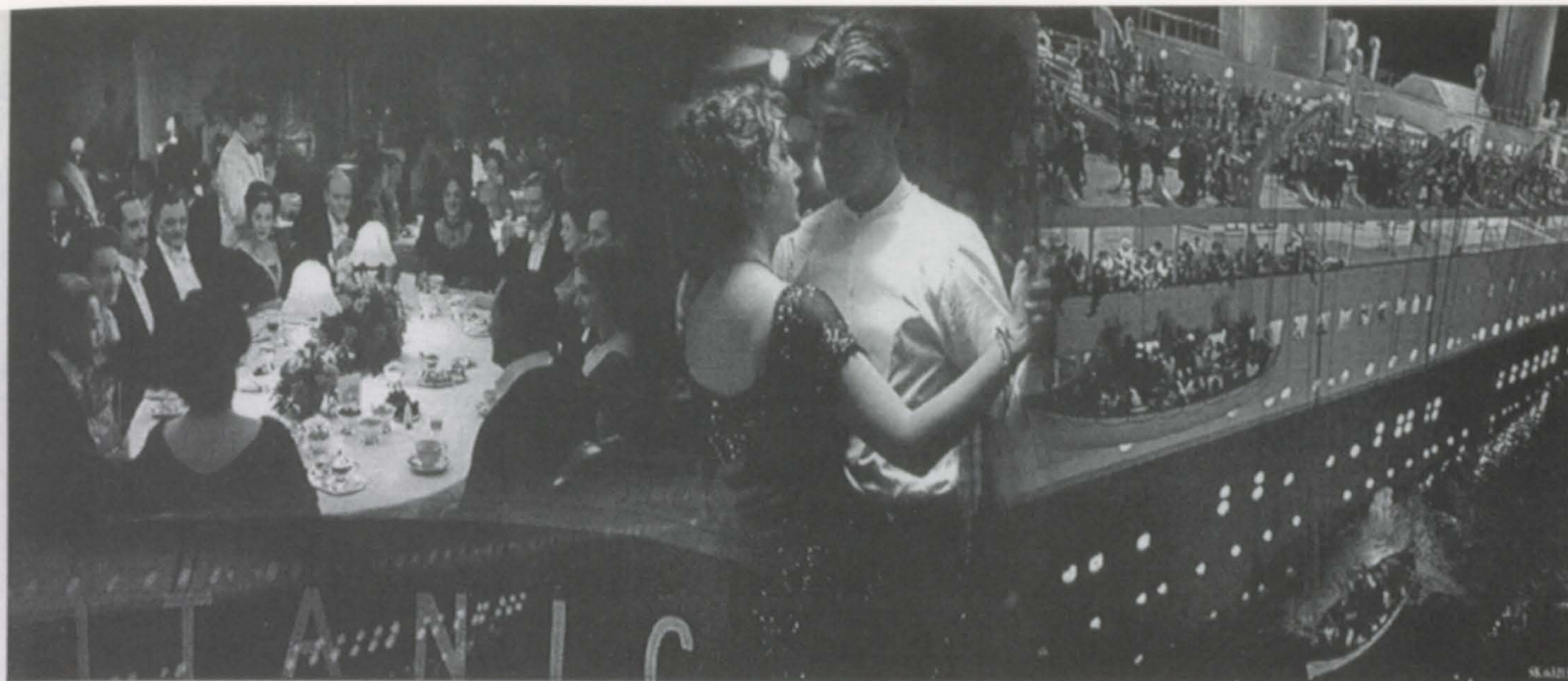
The Last 'Seinfeld'

It was decided that the hit show would end its successful reign on the top ten list in 1998. (Above Right)



The Volkswagen Bug, with a modern twist, is reintroduced to a new generation. (Right)





Titanic storms the box office and quickly becomes the greatest movie of all time, riding history's biggest wave of film success. The movie, starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Kate Winslet, grossed over 1 billion dollars. (Above)



The world's first set of thriving Septuplets are born in Mason City, Iowa. (Above)



Mother Theresa died shortly after Princess Diana in late 1997. (Above)



Princess Diana died in late August of 1997, in a car wreck along with her boyfriend, Dodi Fayed. Singer Elton John sang a revised edition of *Candle in the Wind* at her nationally televised funeral. (left)

People editors came out with a new magazine for teens called *Teen People*. The magazines hit the newstands in early 1998. (Right)



Talk show host, Jerry Springer, is accused of staging fights on his show. (Left)





Megan Lagemann

Junior Jason McRoberts and Senior Amy Rook were crowned king and queen of the Valentine's Day Dance.

Sophomores Laura Vrabel, Sarah Youngstrom, and Lisa Vrabel take a break from dancing.



Megan Lagemann

Love In the Air at Valentine's Day Dance

By Devin Pellerita

Valentine's Day is a very special holiday observed on February 14. It isn't just for couples; it is celebrated by everyone. "I went on a college visit to Drury University with my friend Kristine," Junior Amanda Ruppert said.

WCHS held a Valentine's Day Dance on Friday, February 13, from 8pm-11pm in the cafeteria. The Prom Committee decorated it with red, white, and pink balloons and hearts. Junior class funds were used to sponsor the dance, and they raised \$500.

Surprisingly, they didn't play many love songs. It was mainly fast dancing songs. "I was glad that they didn't play many love songs, but I wish they wouldn't have played so much country music," commented Junior Becky Novelli.

The D.J. for the night was junior Damon Tinsley. The students really got into the music, and they seemed to have a great time.

"It was a lot of fun, but I wish they would have played more love songs," commented sophomore Deanna Kallbrier.

The court members were freshmen Amy Schubert and Matt Schlipp; sophomores Missy Briscoe and Chris Lewis; juniors Becky Novelli, Jason McRoberts, Leahann Ostmann, and Jacob Morie; and seniors Amy Rook, Angie Fuller, Dave Holiway, and T.J. Pugh. The king and queen were Jason McRoberts and Amy Rook. The two runners up were Angie Fuller and Matt Schlipp.

Senior Amy Rook stated, "It felt good knowing that the money raised is going to benefit prom."

Freshman candidates Amy Schubert and Matt Hayes, Sophomores Missy Briscoe and Chris Lewis, Junior candidates Leahann Ostmann and Jacob Morie, Senoir candidates T.J.Pugh and Dave Holiway, and Senior candidates Amy Rook and Angie Fuller.

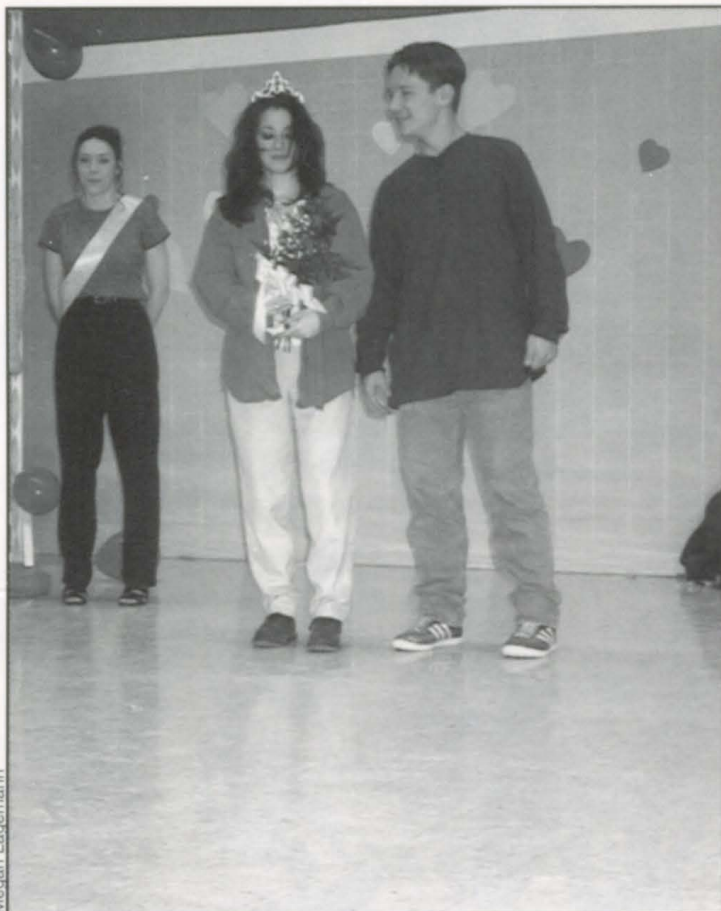


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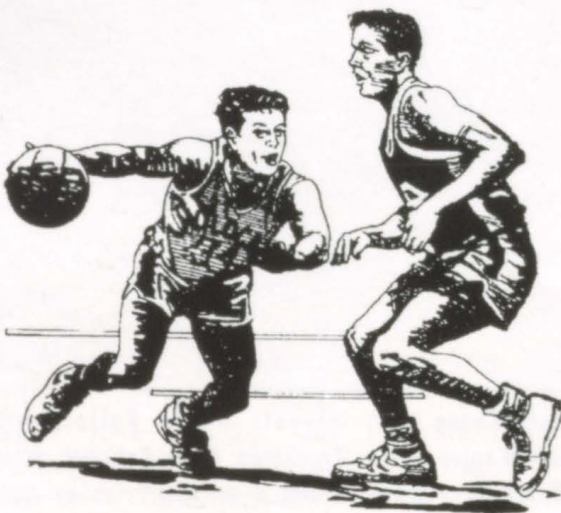
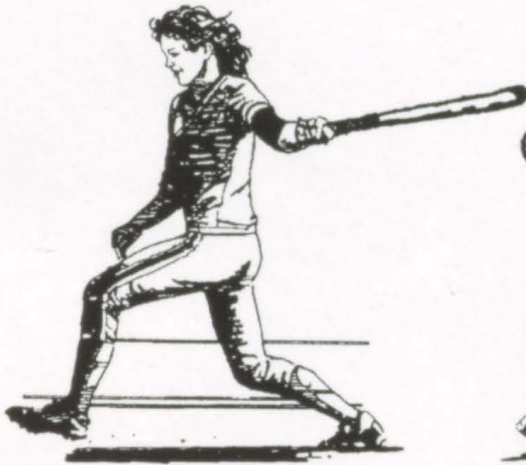


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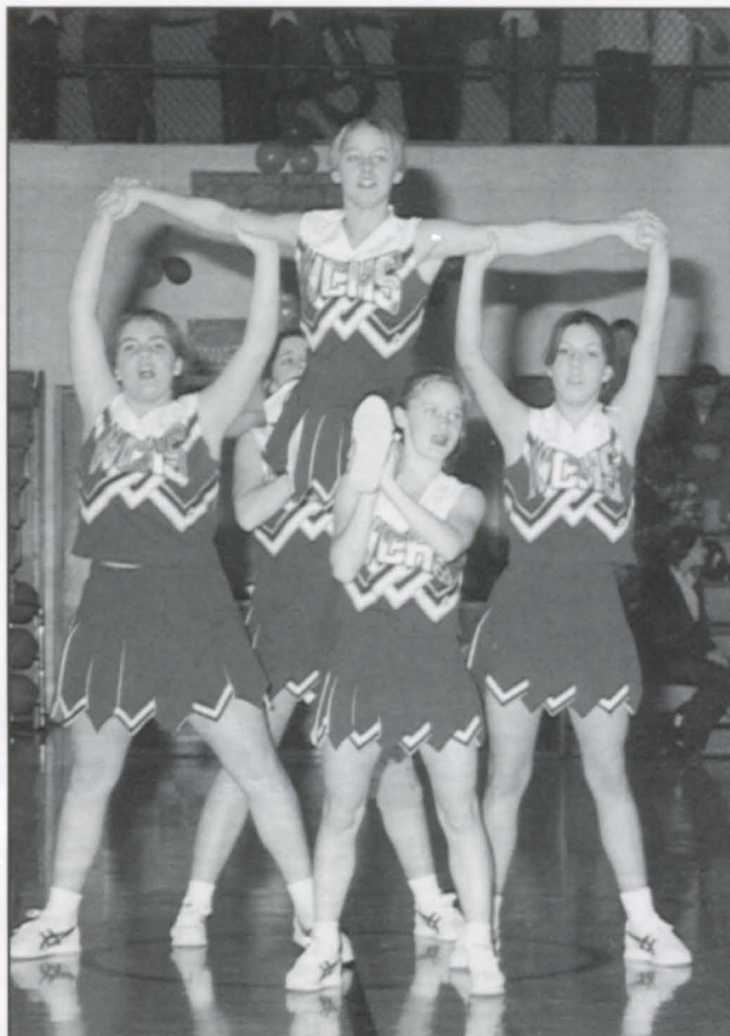
Sophomore Matt Hayes and Junior Mindy Snyder enjoy their time at the Valentines Day Dance.

Senoir Angie Fuller and Freshman Matt Schlipp were crowned as the Princess and Prince of the dance.



SPORTS





WCHS cheerleaders perform one of their routines at a pep rally.

Senior Annie Braun perform the tango with the WCHS mascot.



WCHS cheerleaders at NCA Camp with Senior Amy Rook and freshman Nicole Sherry relax after their practice.



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Cheerleaders Go All Out For WCHS

By Megan Lagemann

L-e-t-s G-o, Lets Go, Lets Go. L-E-T-S G-O, LETS GO!.....was a familiar cheer fans would hear as they walked into Wright City High School Gymnasium for a basketball game.

The 1997-98 Cheerleaders "Raised the Roof" with their loud and encouraging cheers, and showed their pride with new blue and gold uniforms.

"The cheerleaders did a good job getting the crowd up and going," says dedicated sophomore fan Sharice Adkins.

The cheerleaders

practiced diligently from June of 1997 until the end of cheer season the following March. Right from the start, their potential was evident when they won the spirit stick in a cheerleading camp at Southeast Missouri college.

In addition to cheering at games, holding pep rallies, and generally boosting school spirit, cheerleaders also organized various fundraisers. They held two different cheer clinics that taught elementary girls and boys how to do several kinds of cheers.

Cheerleaders performed at three pep ral-

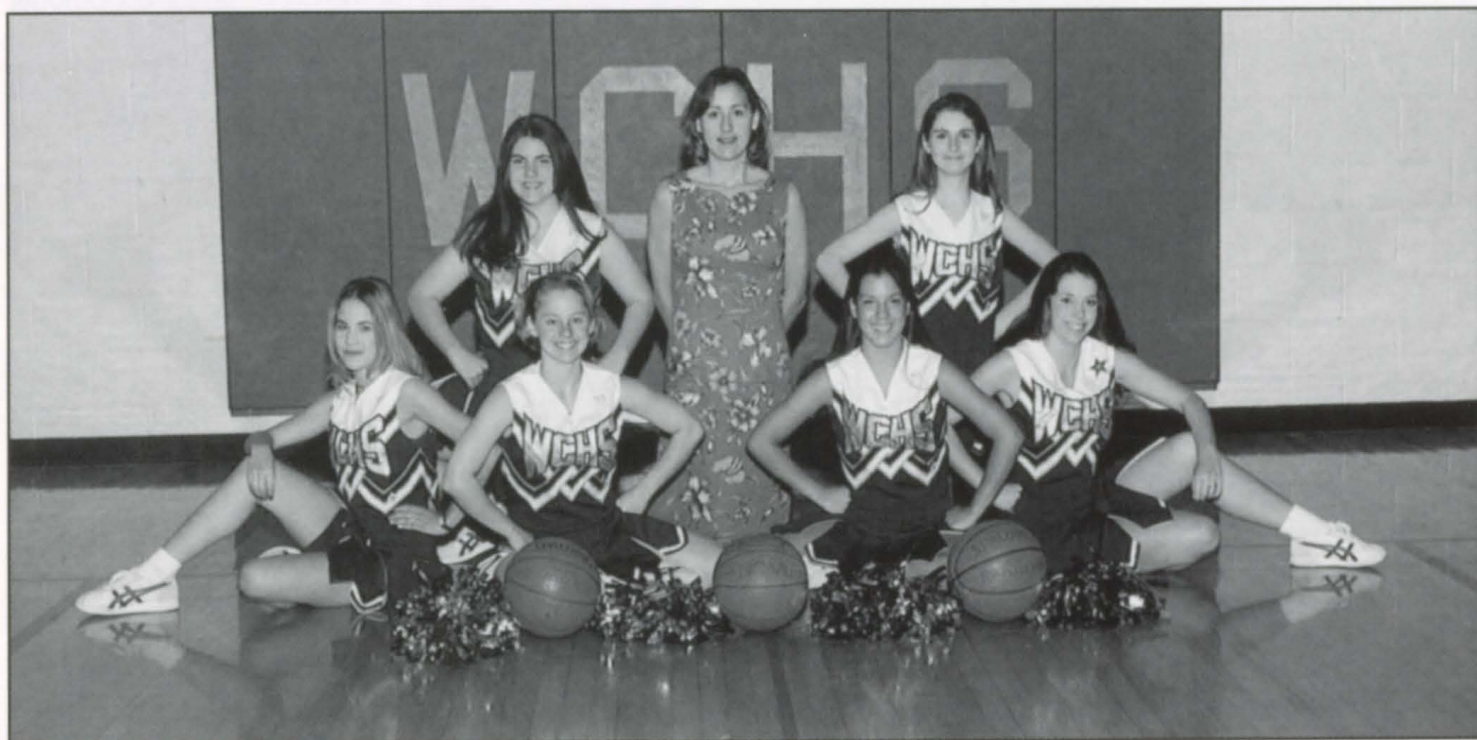
lies to raise school spirit and kick off the basketball season. At home games, they would give out the spirit flag to the class that had the highest attendance. The sophomore class won the flag nearly every game; but after all the spirit points were tallied, the seniors proved to be the overall winners and were presented with the spirit flag.

"Being a cheerleader for five years made my senior year especially important. The senior fans helped me out tremendously with their enthusiastic dedication. I am going to miss cheerleading, but I'll al-

ways have memories," said senior cheerleader Amy Rook.

"The 1997-98 varsity cheerleaders were awesome. Each cheerleader worked hard and was dedicated to making the team the best it could be." emphasized cheer coach Carla Wheeler.

Now that the 1997-98 basketball season has come to a close, and two spirited seniors, Amy Rook and Annie Braun, are gone; that does not mean that the spirit is gone, too. The cheerleaders have left a lasting impression that will always continue.



WCHS cheerleaders Tonya Colvin, sophomore; Carla Wheeler, sponsor; Kristin Kersting, sophomore; Nicole Sherry, freshman; Anna Braun, senior; Missy Briscoe, sophomore; Amy Rook, senior.

Several Records Broke over 97-98 Track Season

By: Missy Briscoe and Sharice Adkins

Runners to your mark, set, and they're off!

This year's track season has been a race to the finish.

On April 4, 1998, the Wright City Track Team traveled to Montgomery City for their first invitational meet. Once there, they received a total of eight medals, including a first place victory by Travis Borrego in the 300-meter hurdles.

The track athletes were at it again in Hallsville on April 25. First place medals were given for the 4x100m relay to Kyle Shy, Mintrel Hoffman, Bret Odom, and Jason Williams. Second place medals were given to Lauren Holiway, Kristen Kersting, Anna Braun, and

Sarah Youngstrom for the 4x800m relay. Other athletes receiving second place medals at Hallsville were Travis Borrego for the 200m dash and the 300m hurdles, Anna Braun for the triple jump and Sarah Youngstrom for the 3200m run.

Track members went on to prove they were a force to be reckoned with when, at districts, freshman Patricia Gerland broke the school record by a tenth of a second, and Senior Travis Borrego was awarded two 4th place medals in the 200m dash and 300m hurdles.

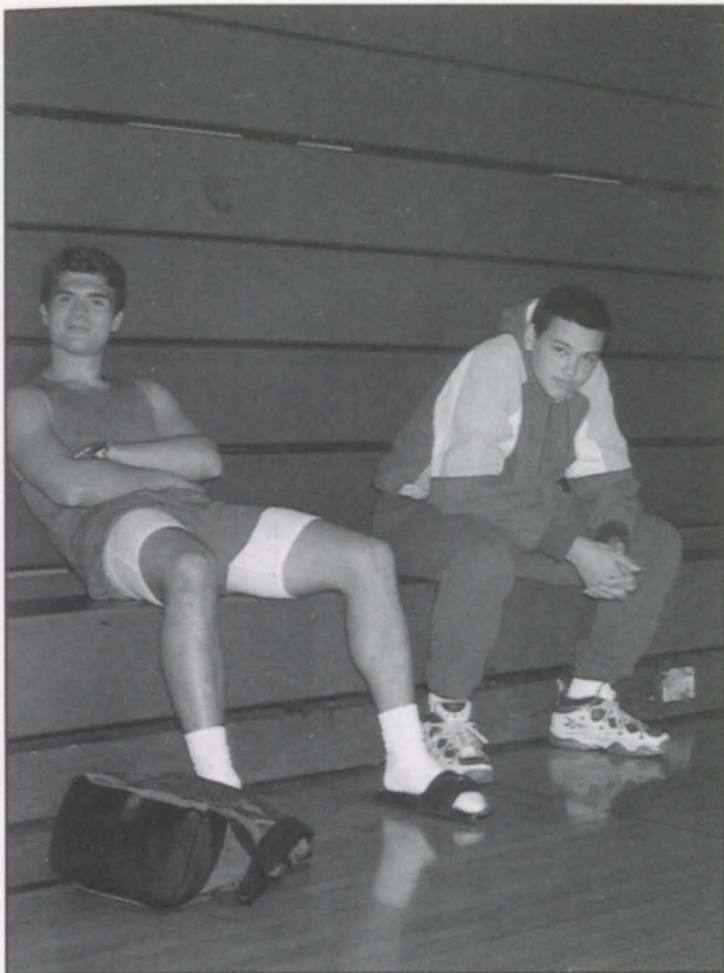
When Coach Sue Wright was asked about her view of the season, she replied, "This was a great season. We had much success in improving our times as well as earning medals."



First row (left to right) Angie Dorman, Natascha Kurzmeyer, Amy Schubert, Anna Braun, Patricia Gerland, Nicole Sherry, Laura Vrael, Lisa Vrael

Middle row (left to right) Sharice Adkins, Amber Pickett, Paula Zaghetto, Lauren Holiway, Sarah Youngstrom, Lilly Fox, Missy Briscoe, Kristin Kersting, Kawnisha Jones, Brandy Spradling, Danielle Lacy

Back row (left to right) Coach Sue Wright, Mintrel Hoffman, Josh Gerland, Eric Creech, Jonathan Balven, Jason Williams, Travis Borrego, Brett Odom, Matt Lewis, Kyle Shy, Dave Holiway, Brian Biter, Andrea Paul.



Sharice Adkins

Senior Eric Creech and sophomore Jonathan Balven rest before a long practice.

Sophomore Lauren Holiway works hard during practice to do her best at the next meet.



Sharice Adkins



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Mintrel Hoffman and Jason Williams cool down after a difficult practice.

Kristin Kersting blinded by the flash as she finishes practicing for the upcoming meet.

WCHS Soccer

By Kawnisha Jones

The Wright City Wildcats had a great season. They won some, they lost some, and through the duration of the season accomplished many goals they had set for themselves. Their most impressive win was the first district game at 2A Districts. The team worked hard to get there and they defeated the Winfield Warriors 3-0.

"For me, playing for the Wright City Wildcats was a great experience," junior James Maestas commented. "It showed me what my strengths and weaknesses were, and what I

needed to work on for next year."

He was one of the many that helped the Wildcats.

"We had a very good defense," says Coach Ed Wiegert, "We worked hard, could have done better, but, overall, I think we did a good job."

Next year is something for the WCHS soccer players to look forward to. They will no longer be playing against large 4A schools. Their competition will consist of other schools the same size as Wright City. They are expecting to win more games and have a much more exciting year.

Coach Wiegert discusses the game plan with the WCHS soccer players.

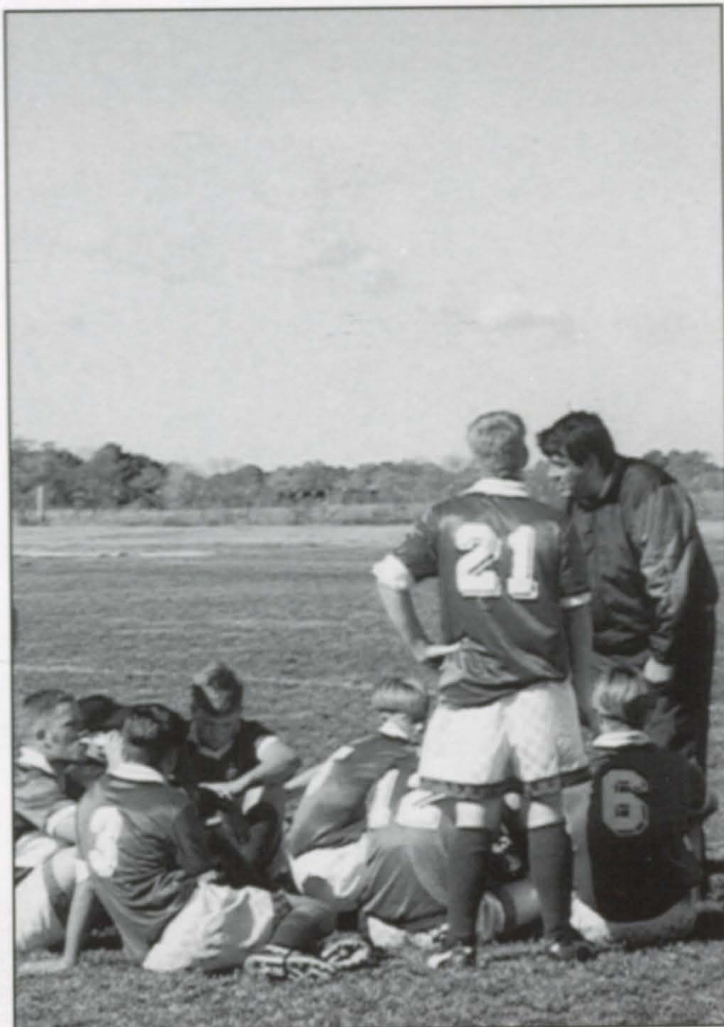


(front row) T.J. Pugh, James Maestas, Dusty Paul, Mintrel Hoffman, Torrey Niemann, Matt Lewis

(middle row) Eric Creech, Chris Lewis, Matt Hayes, Patrick Cole, David West

(back row) Coach Ed Wiegert, Paula Zaghetto, Josh Gerland, Corey Kehoe, Travis Kehoe, Ryan Franco, Bill Gilpin

The win over Winfield is celebrated by the WC players as they walk off the field.



Sophomore Dusty Paul fights for the ball with the opposing team.

WCHS players are given their pep talk by Coach Wiegert during halftime.

Ladycats Strive To Win Districts

By Dan Gripenrog

The Wright City Lady Wildcats' hopes of a state championship were lost in an upset game to the Lady Hawks of Clopton in the district championship finals. The Lady Cats had already defeated the hawks twice in the regular season. However, the Lady Hawks came out on top 5-4 in a two hour, thirteen inning game. Clopton scored 4 of their 5 runs before the fifth inning.

"Even though we didn't win all of the games, I think the main reason we lost the games that we did is because of simple errors made by all of us, and if we can work on our mistakes we will have a good chance at going all the way, I hope," said Junior Mandy Martin.

This season record of 14 wins and 6 losses was a vast improvement from the 96 season record of 7 wins and 10 losses. Their 6 losses came from

Fort Zumwalt South, twice, Wentzville, St. Francis Borgia, St. Aquinas Mercy, and Clopton.

The Wright City Ladycats are only losing two players from this year, Tisha Wood and Aimee Pettig. Both Tisha and Aimee plan to go on to play for college. Wood said, "I really hope to play softball for some college after high school." Pettig might also play if she can figure out a way to balance her studies and athletics.

"The best game was the Championship game against Clopton in the small town of Elsberry," said Wood. "The reason why I think it was the best game is because the team worked as one; throughout the whole game we never gave up."

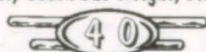
"The best game of the year was the last game in districts. The worst game of the year was the game against Wentzville, stupid errors cost us that game," Pettig said.



First row (left to right) Amy Neldon, Erin Dixon, Elizabeth Meyer, Mandy Martin, Jennifer Thorpe, Megan Lagemann

Middle row (left to right) Leahan Ostmann, Anita Johnston, Sharice Adkins, Tisha Wood, Aimee Pettig, Amanda Neldon

Back row (left to right) Coach Sue Wright, Manager Adam Williams, Kawnisha Jones, Misty Lively, Andrea Thornton, Patricia Gerland, Coach Dan Springman

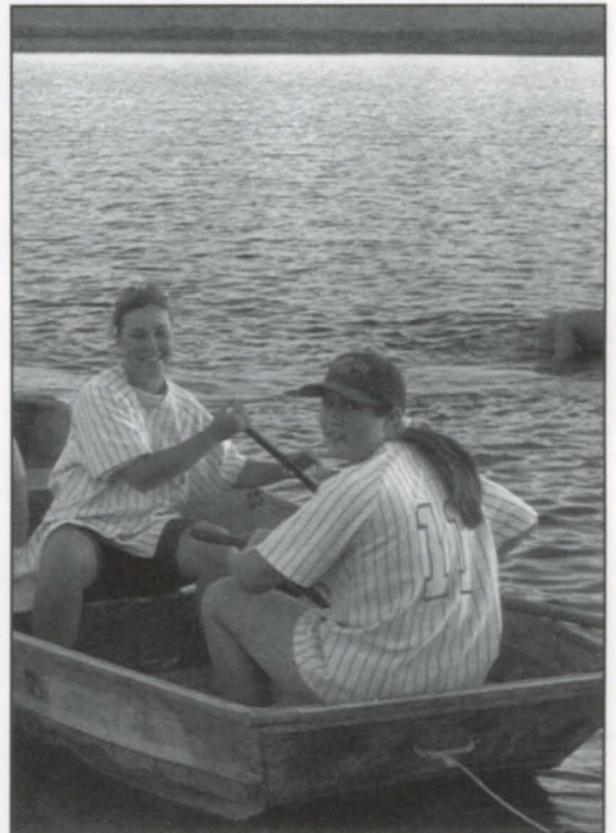
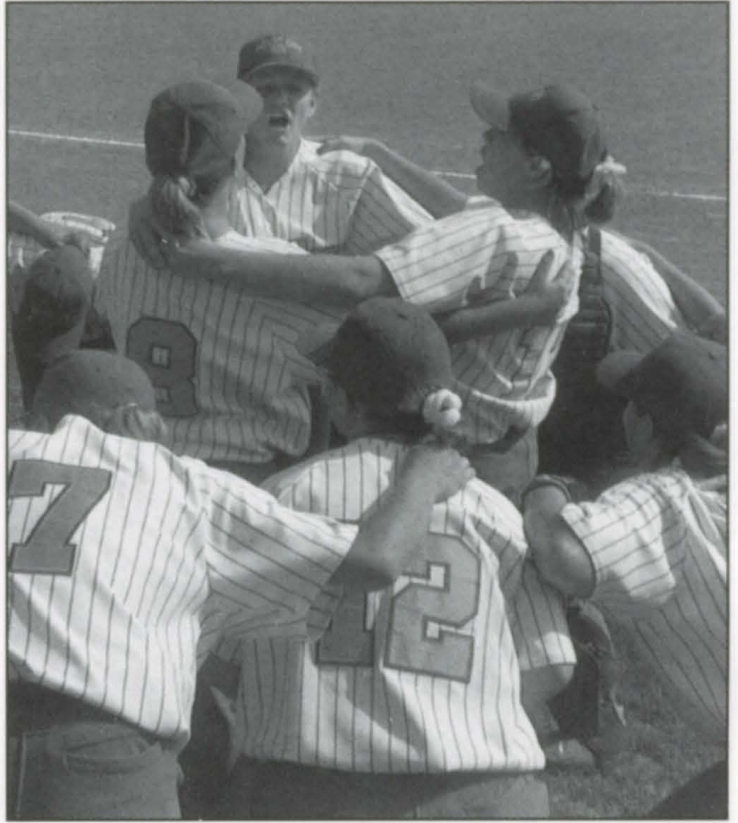


Softball



Team members Jennifer Thorpe, Aimee Pettig, and Megan Lagemann stand as they show their shoes.

Softball members as they hold a group huddle to figure out a strategy to win the game.



After playing a long, hard game, team members escape the heat by taking a dip.

Aimee Pettig and Jennifer Thorpe get cooled off as they row, row, row their boat.

Varsity Baseball Remembers Good Times

By: Megan Lagemann

Deja Vu... is what it seemed like to the Varsity Baseball players in the first round of districts, but this time they were not seeded first. This year The Wright City High School Wildcats Baseball team was seeded fifth with a record of 10 and 9. The Wildcats faced the #4 seeded Herman Bearcats. Once more they lost their first round 8 to 2.

"We had a great start, but finished with a disappointing end," says head coach Dan Springman.

The season was topped off with their most remembered moment of placing first in the Orchard Farm Tournament.

"I was very proud of the way we played," said, dedicated senior captain, Adam Williams, "We all

stuck together and played as a team."

Coach Springman was most proud of his offense, "All the starters were capable of hitting the long ball. That's nice. The ability to score runs is a must, if you plan on winning games."

Even though the Wildcats did not win as many games as they would have liked, they still showed a lot of potential and dedication.

As for the six seniors, who will be missed for their talent and leadership, and a head coach Dan Springman, who did his job to the fullest, these few last words from Captain Nick Gironde will sum up their times together, "Playing with the other five seniors under head coach Dan Springman has capped off our last playing days together that will be missed."



First row (left to right) David Kemp, Matt Schlipp, Matt Lewis, Chris Lewis, Paul Dutton, CJ Offerman, Chris Lacy, Dan Neill

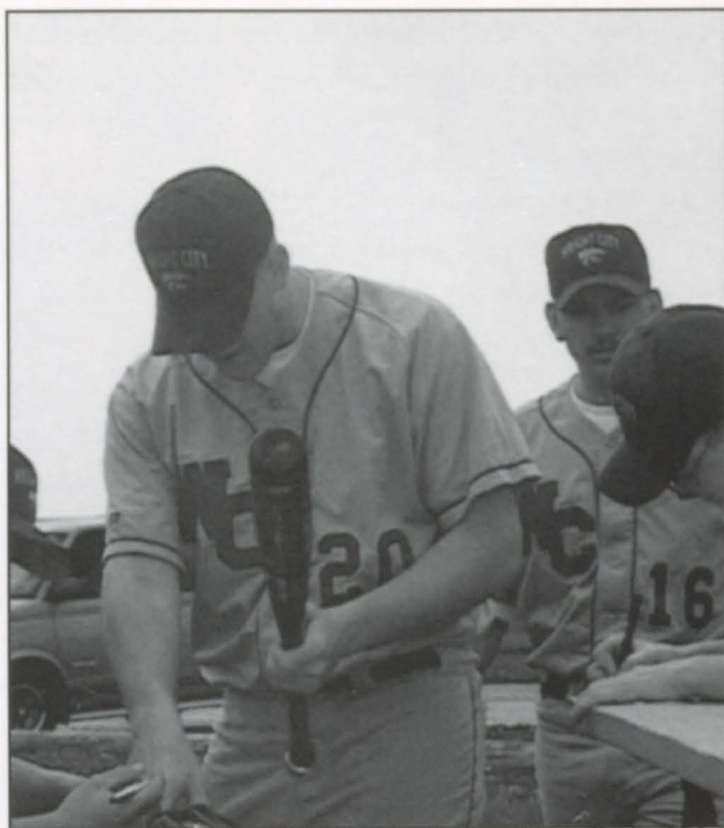
Back row (left to right) Coach Twiehaus, Dustin Reckamp, Jeremy Stoeckner, Adam Williams, Nick Gironde, James Maestas, Dustin Mikus, Coach Springman



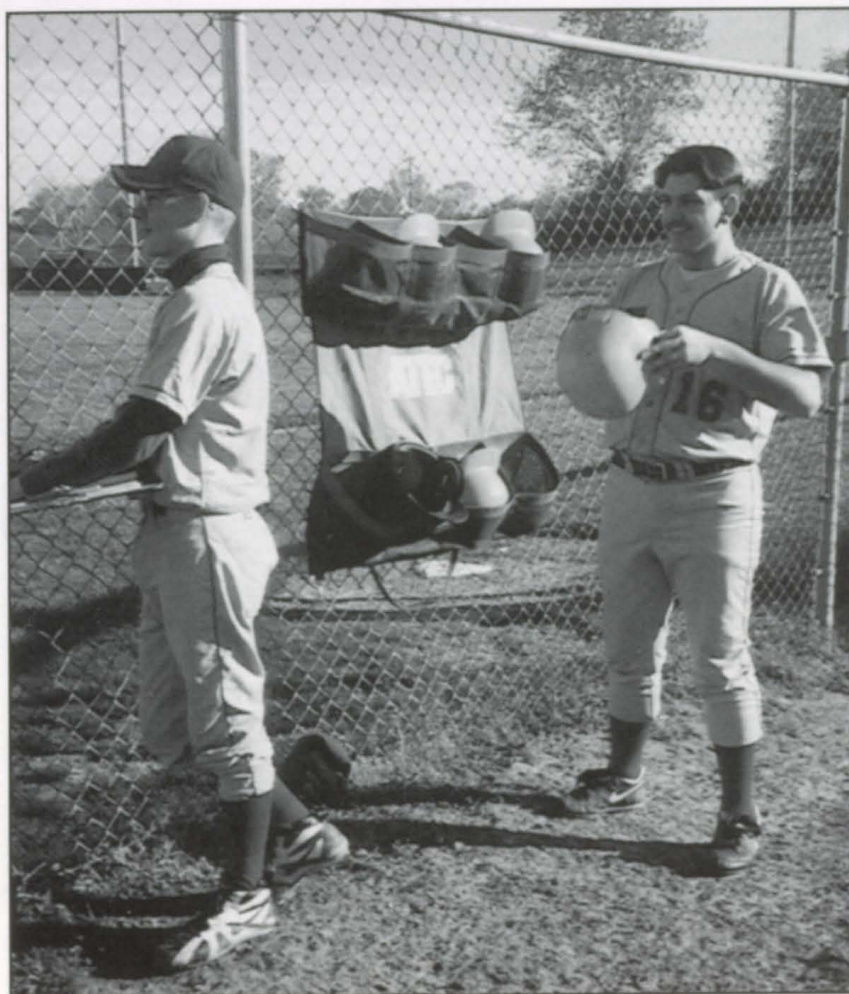
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Seniors Adam Williams and Paul Dutton warm the bench while waiting for their turn to bat.

Senior Nick Gironde prepares to slaughter the opposing team.



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Senior Jeremy Stoenner and junior CJ Offerman wait behind the fence for their turn at the bat.

A few of the varsity members wait on the bench for their chance at stealing the game.

Junior Varsity Takes Hold of 97-98 Season

By Kawnisha Jones

The 1998 Junior Varsity Boys Baseball team finished a great season with a record of 5-3. Not only did they play hard, but they had fun, too.

"We had a great year. We played hard defense, the players are looking forward to next year when they move up to varsity," said Coach Mike Twiehaus.

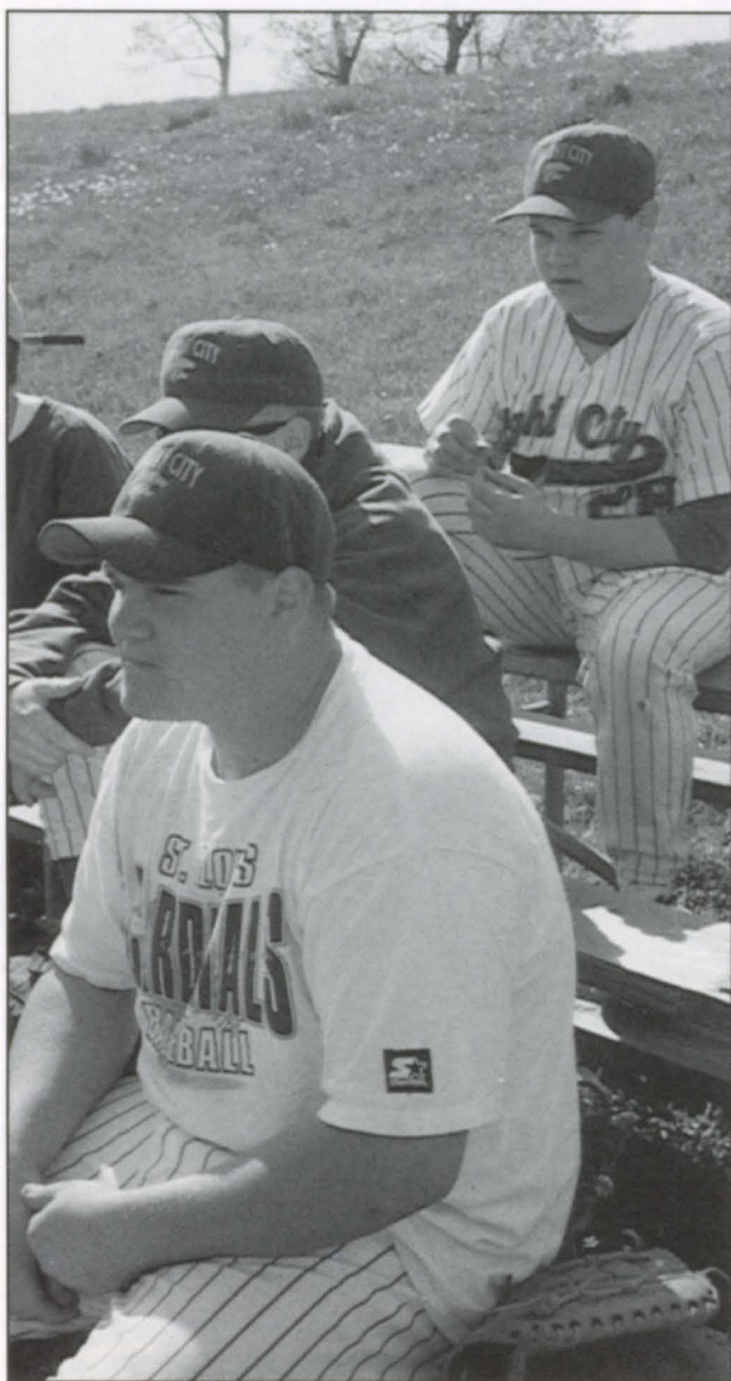
"Playing together was great. We got along, there was no arguing, and we got things done,"

said Torrey Niemann, a sophomore that played on the junior varsity team.

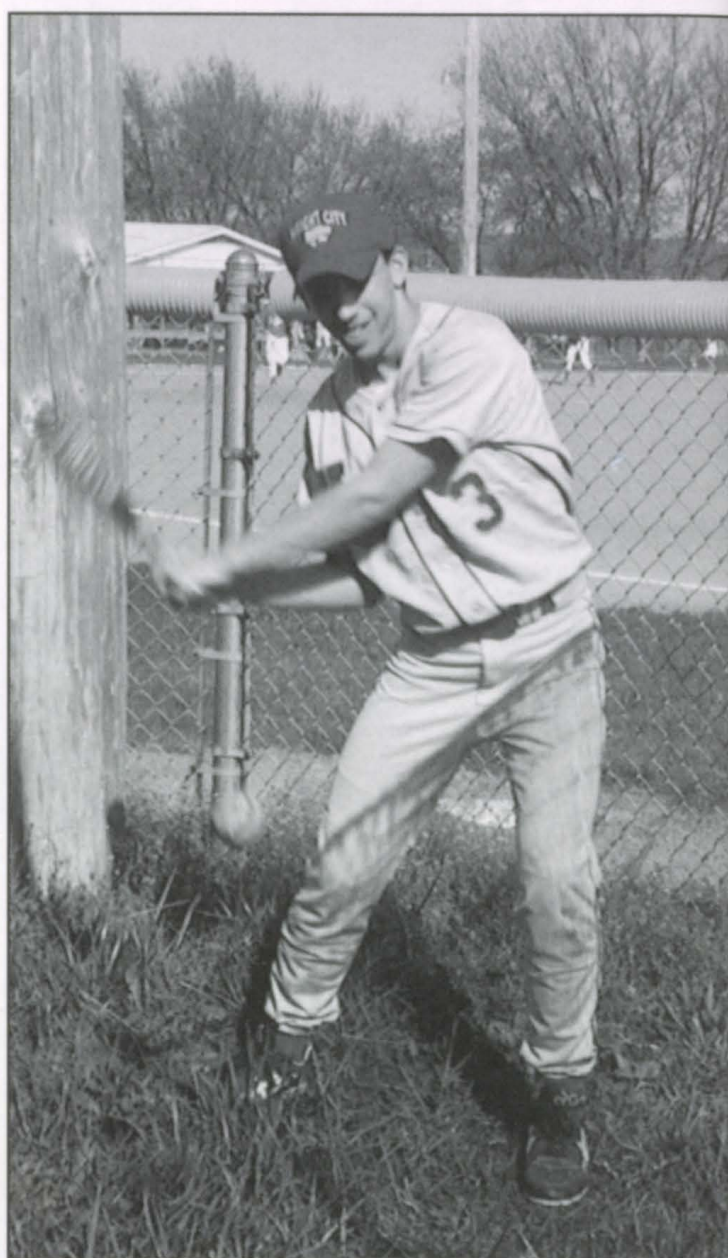
Most players say they can't wait for next year, because more people are coming up that could make our team even better.

"It is great we were good this year and next year we will be even better," said Matt Schlipp, a freshman that not only plays on the junior varsity, but also on varsity.

Wright City is proud of the Wright City baseball team.



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A few team members relax in the bleachers after a grueling practice.

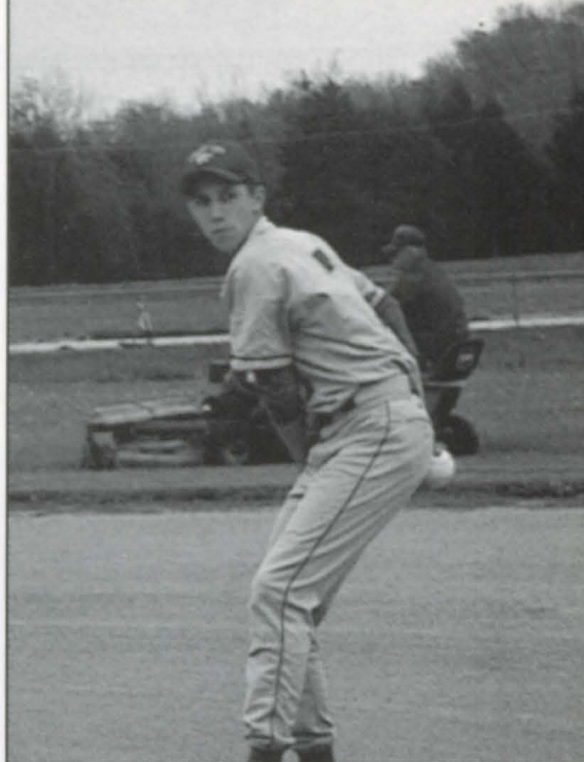
Freshman Matt Lowts practices his batting skills before the game.

Freshman Matt Schlipp listens to the older members for advice on how to play his best.

Sophomore Dustin Mikus gets ready to strike out the opposing team.



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First row (left to right) David Kemp, Matt Schlipp,, Matt Lewis, Stephen Foise, Travis Kahoe
Back row (left to right) Coach Twiehaus, Josh Gerland, Dustin Mikus, Torrey Niemann, Patrick Cole, CJ Offerman

Junior Varsity Girls Reach Goal

By: Jessica Harrison

This year was good for the Wright City Junior Varsity Girls Basketball team. They walked away with two wins to their name.

"They worked really hard and did what they needed to," said Terry Beer, the assistant coach.

The eight member team, consisting of both freshmen and sophomores, has come a long way from one win last season.

Over the summer there will be a basketball camp for the players to get in shape. The week long camp helps

to condition players before the season begins. With players in shape, the team spends less time getting ready for the season.

Early in the season, they had set a simple goal to win more than one game. It was met, but not easily.

"All the games were close, but they hung on and won them," said coach Beer.

Coach Beer believes that the junior varsity team will win some games when they get to the varsity level. For now, he is proud that the team has done as well as it has this season.



First row (left to right) Megan Lagemann, Patricia Gerland, Amy Schubert. Back row (left to right) Coach Rodriguez, Paula Zaghetto, Elisabeth Meyer, Jennifer Arnold, Jessica Brazel, Kelly Howard, Coach Beer.



Sharice Adkins



Sharice Adkins

Freshman Elisabeth Meyer steals the ball for a beautiful play.

Freshman Patricia Gerland takes the ball down the court and scores.

Varsity Girls Give Best Effort

By: Kristin Kersting

The girls varsity basketball team played a real tough season. The girls ended up with all losses and no wins. Although, after all the losses, the team still showed their strong will and dedication.

"The 1997-98 Girls Varsity Basketball Team still continues to work toward getting the first win since February 1995. They played some good games against a very strong schedule that is loaded with

larger schools. As our young team gains experience, I am sure it is only a matter of time until win number one is theirs," says Coach Rodriguez.

With only two seniors, the team consisted of mostly younger players, but as a team they all tried harder to achieve a victory in every game. They fought hard all the way to the end, each of them giving their best effort.



First row (left to right) Leahan Ostmann, Megan Lagemann, Lilly Fox, Aimee Pettig, Jamie Justice, Patricia Gerland.

Back row (left to right) Coach Rodriguez, Paula Zaghetto, Elisabeth Meyer, Rebecca Filson, Erin Dixon, Jamie Schamma, Kelly Howard, Coach Beer.



Sophomore Kawnisha Jones takes her free throws to score some points.

Senior Aimee Pettig shoots the ball with tremendous effort.

Difficult Season for Boys Junior Varsity Basketball

By Jessica Harrison

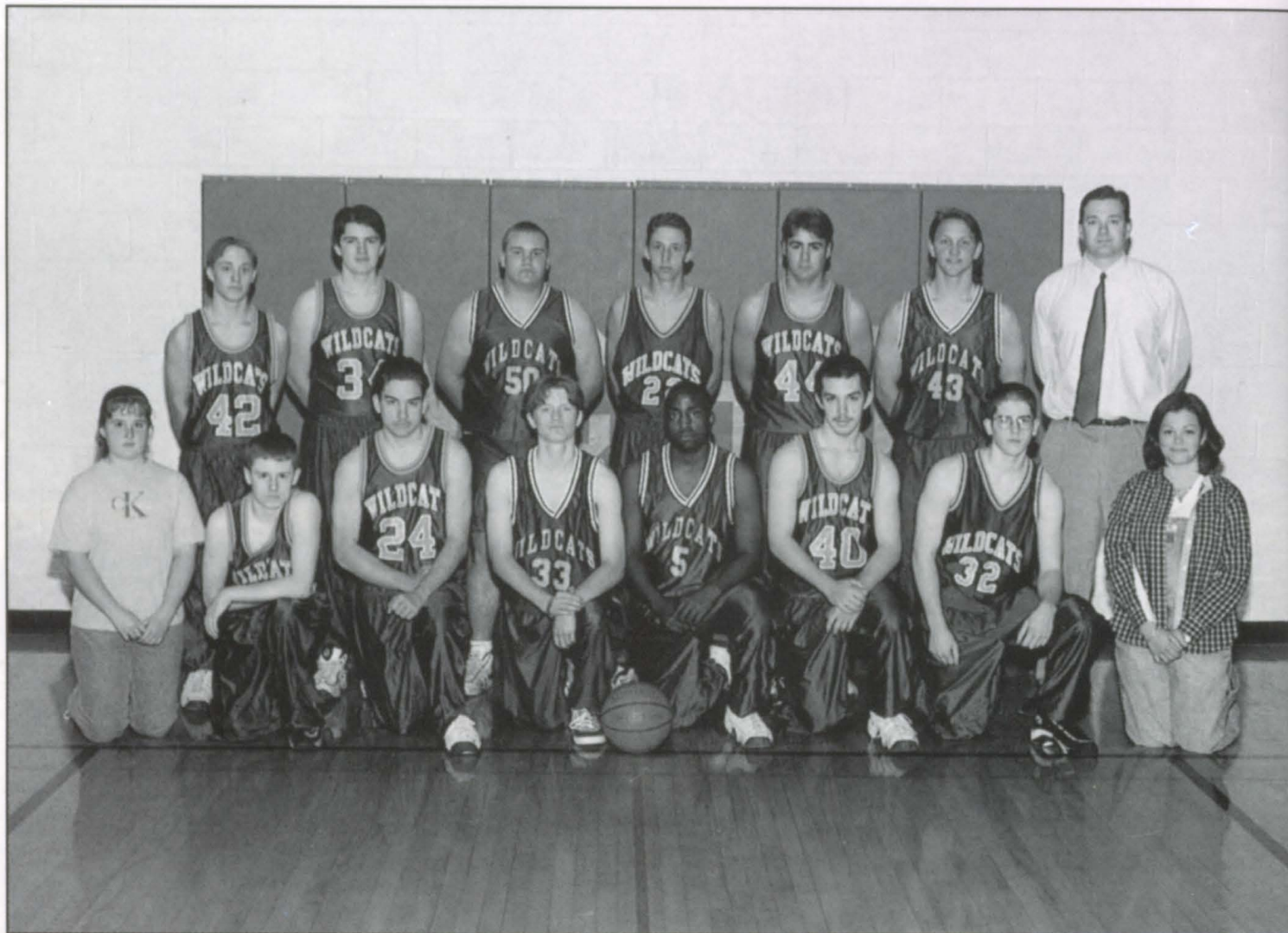
This has been a difficult season for the Boys Junior Varsity team. The 15 member team won 5 games out of 19, which is up from last year. "It has been a disappointing season, but we are much better than last year," said team coach Ryan Shaw putting it in perspective. "We will be a much better team if everyone works to improve this summer," he added.

The team had set goals high this year-planning to win 15 of the games one for each member of the team and to win the St. Dominic Tournament. They did not reach their goals this year. That does not mean they will not keep trying each year setting their goals higher and higher. "We

always want to set goals to improve," said Coach Shaw.

Some members of the team like Tyler Pugh, Dustin Mikus, Dustin Reckemp, and Scott Hastings played on the Varsity team periodically. This opportunity allowed them to improve and sharpen their skills for the years to come. If they improve enough during the summer, they might play on the varsity team during the season next year.

Although this year was tough for the team, they have not lost hope. Spirits remain high in anticipation for the next season and the hope for more wins for their team's future.



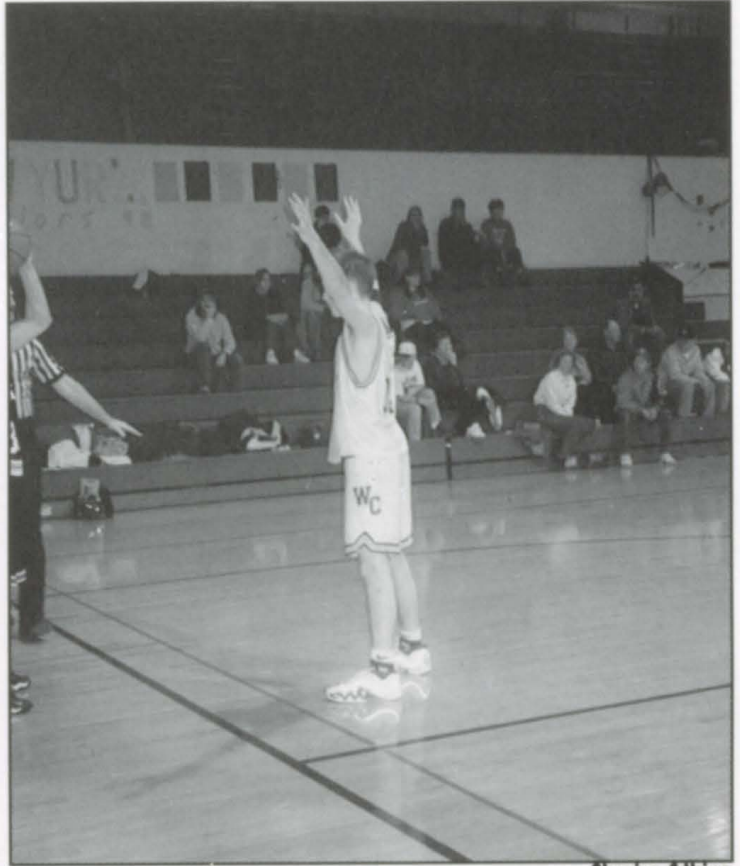
First row (left to right) Sharice Adkins, Stephen Feise, Chris Lewis, Patrick Cole, Willie Blanchard, Ryan Doyle, Tyler Pugh, Kristine Dorn
Back row (left to right) Matt Hayes, Jarod Taylor, Torrey Niemann, Dustin Mikus, Dustin Reckamp, Brett Odom, Coach Shaw.



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Sophomore Torrey Niemann takes a free throw while his team mates are watching.

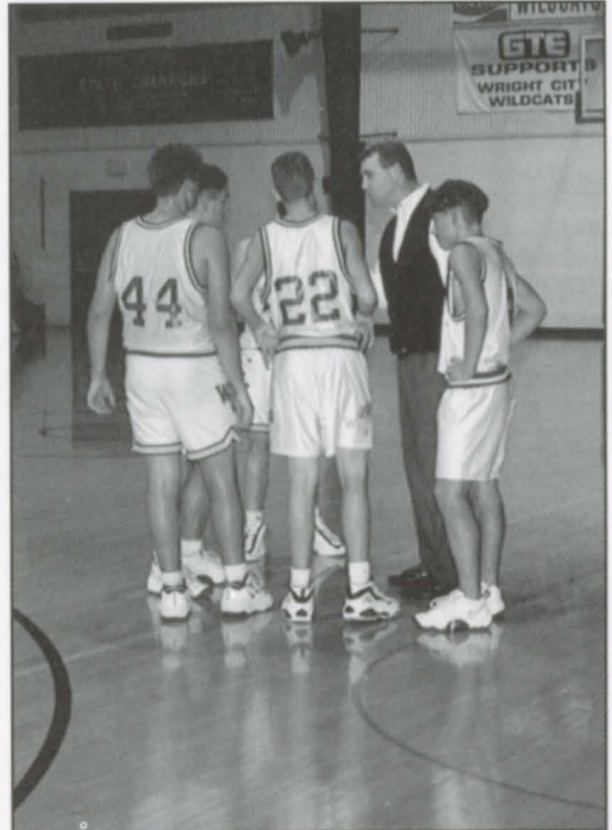
Sophomore Stephen Foise attempts to block a throw from the opposing team.



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Dustin Rockamp tries to pass the ball to Nathan as they win the game.

A few members get tips from the coach for a better chance at winning the game.

Wildcats Save Best For Last

By Kawnisha Jones and Tonya Sydnor

The Wright City Wildcats saved the best for last when they defeated the Luthran Cougars at the end of the season.

After many close loses, the cats pounced back when they defeated the team 47 to 44.

Sophomore Scott Hastings and Junior Jason McRoberts dominated the game with the leading scores while trying to maintain the three point lead.

Senior Dan Gripentrog complimented his fellow team mate on a super performance. "Jason McRoberts played a good game," he commented.

The team's final win was the result of hard work, cooperation, and skill.

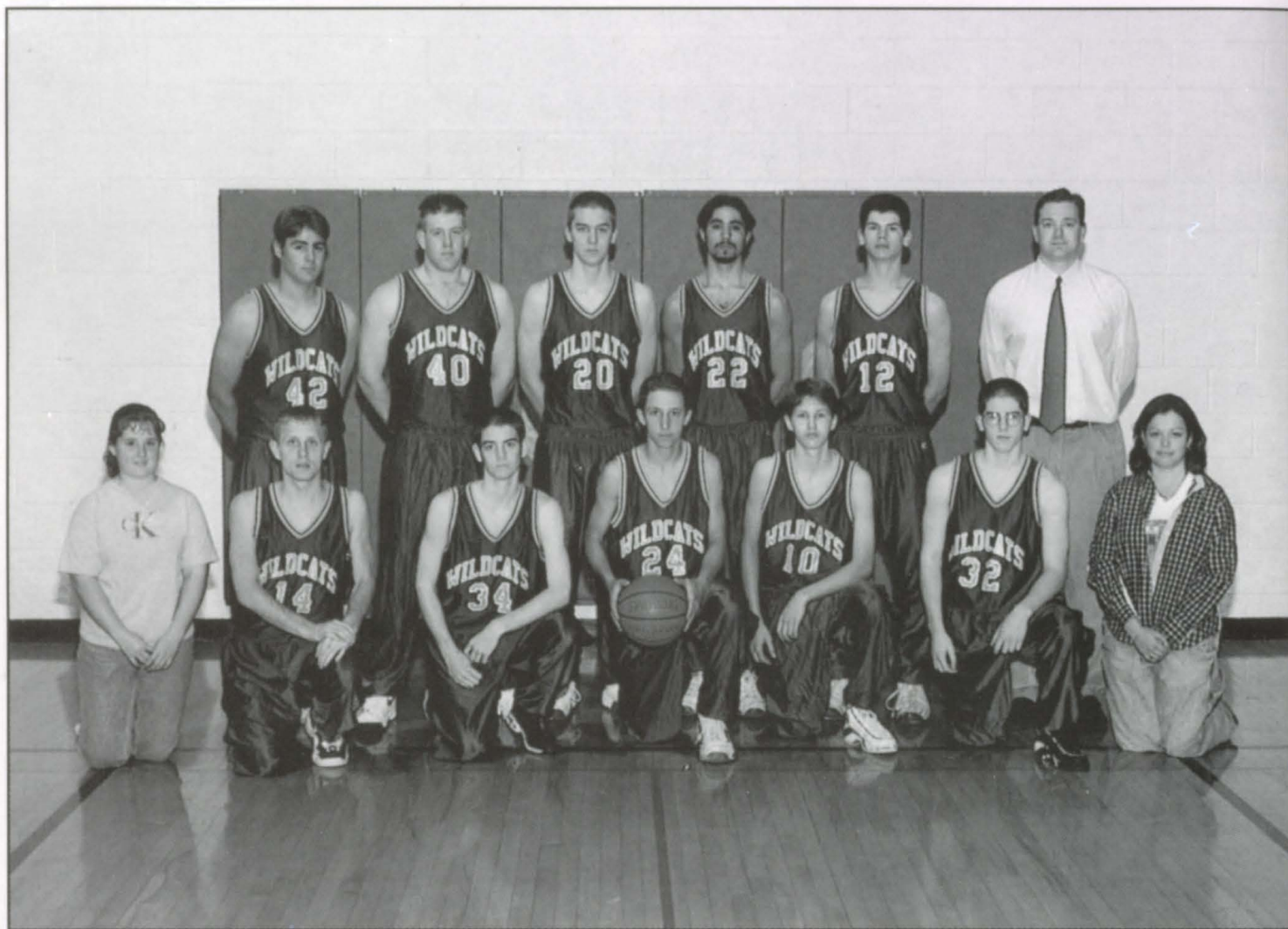
"We had good hard defense, and no turnovers," said Scott Hastings, "We played hard and we played

as a team."

This year's cats ended the season with outstanding stats. Nick Gironde, Dan Gripentrog, Travis Borrego, and Hastings were the top four scorers, each finishing with well over 100 points. Gironde was the top scorer with 372 baskets. Three of the four players also had over 100 rebounds.

This year, wildcats made history. Senior Nick Gironde was the 11th member admitted to the 500 club. Gironde was one out of many that made it so far. He ended his high school career with 686 rebounds.

Next years seniors hold the promise for next year. Making up over half of the varsity team, the current juniors are totally 'hip' to the varsity game.



First row (left to right) Manager Sharice Adkins, Jason Williams, T.J. Pugh, Dustin Mikus, Scott Hastings, Tyler Pugh, Manager Kristine Dorn
Back row (left to right) Dustin Rockamp, Nick Gironde, Dan Gripentrog, Travis Borrego, James Maestas, Coach Shaw.



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Junior James Maestas blocks opposing team member from scoring.

Wright City huddles to make a plan to slaughter the other team.



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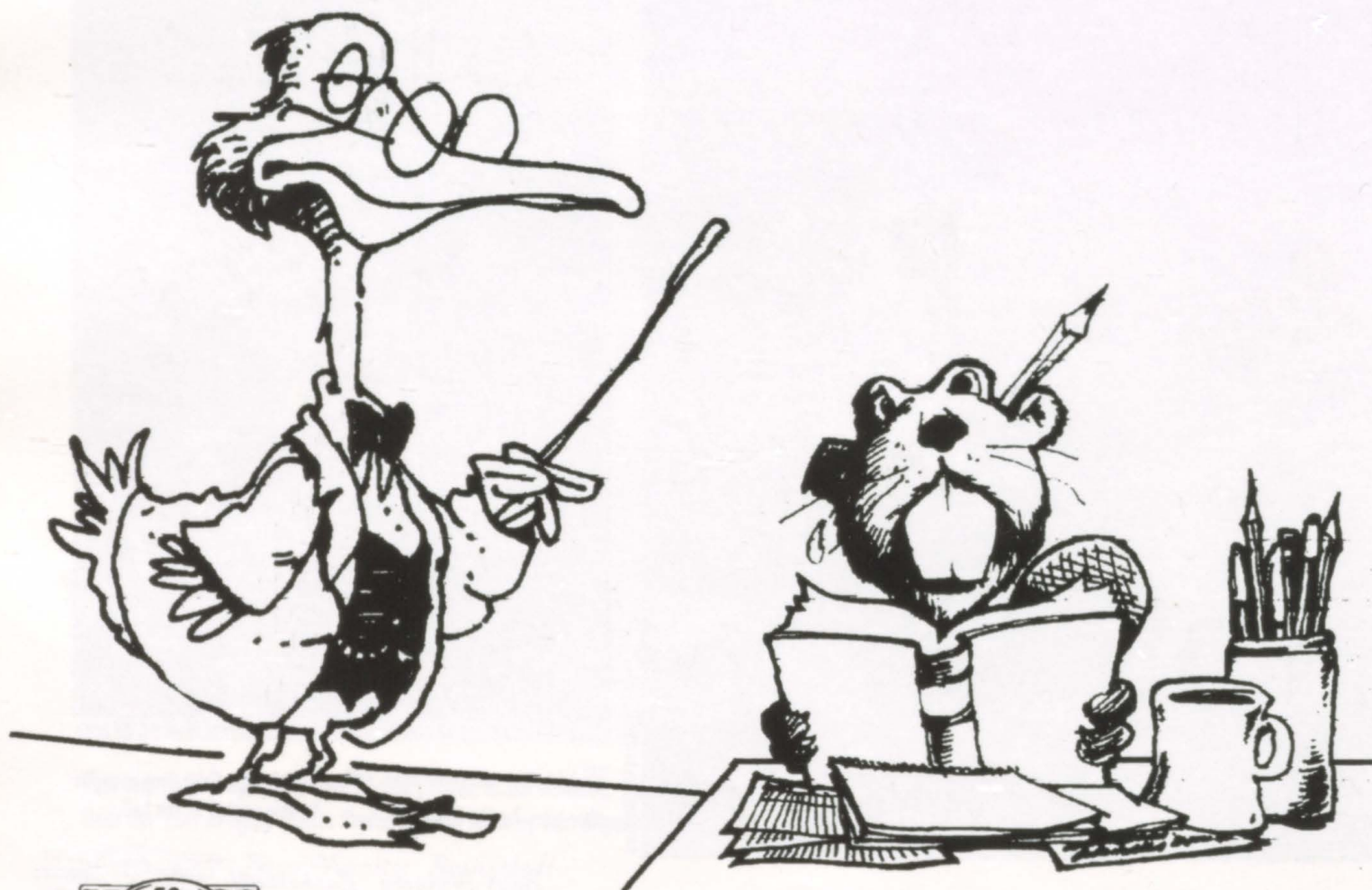
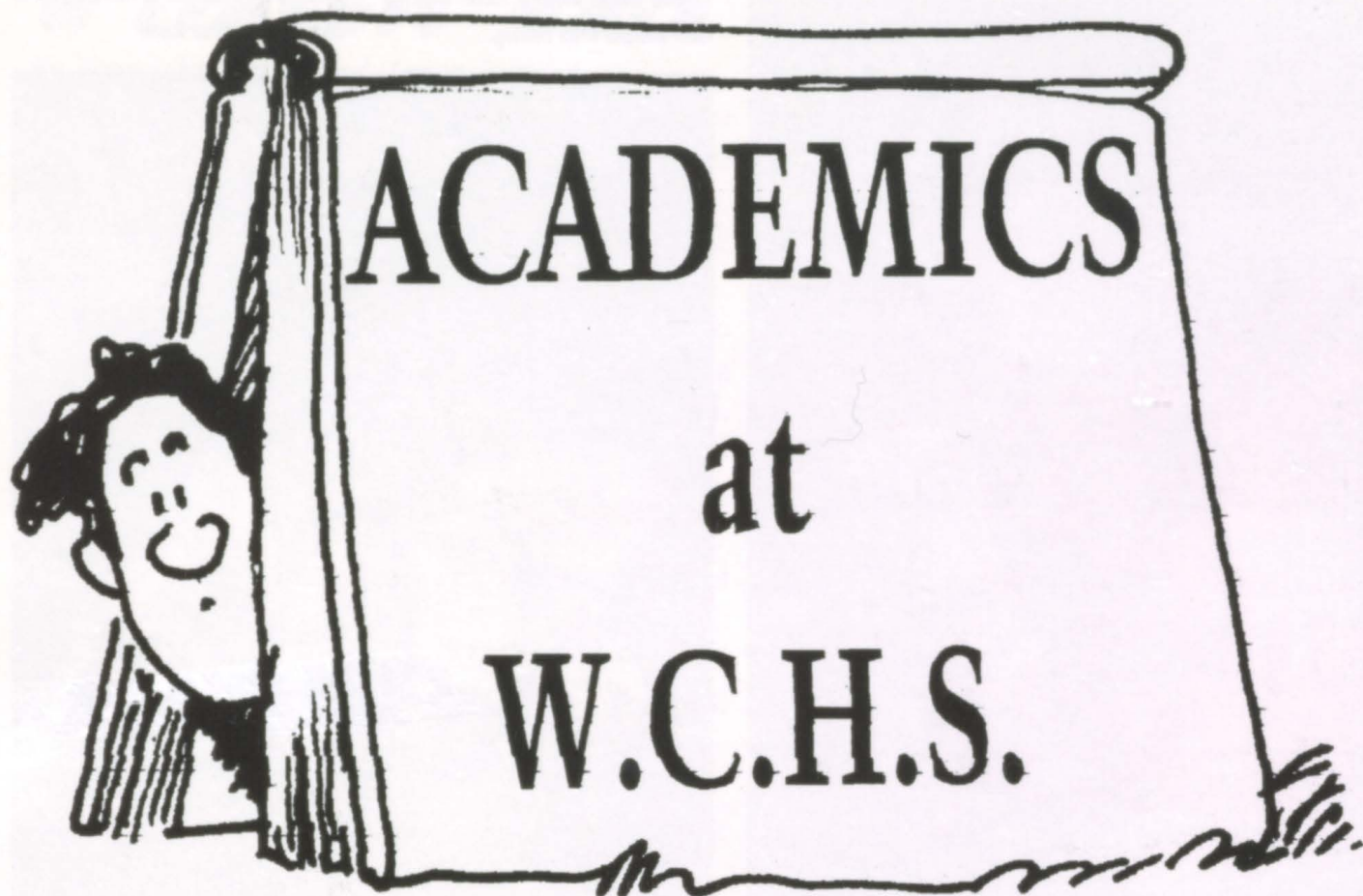
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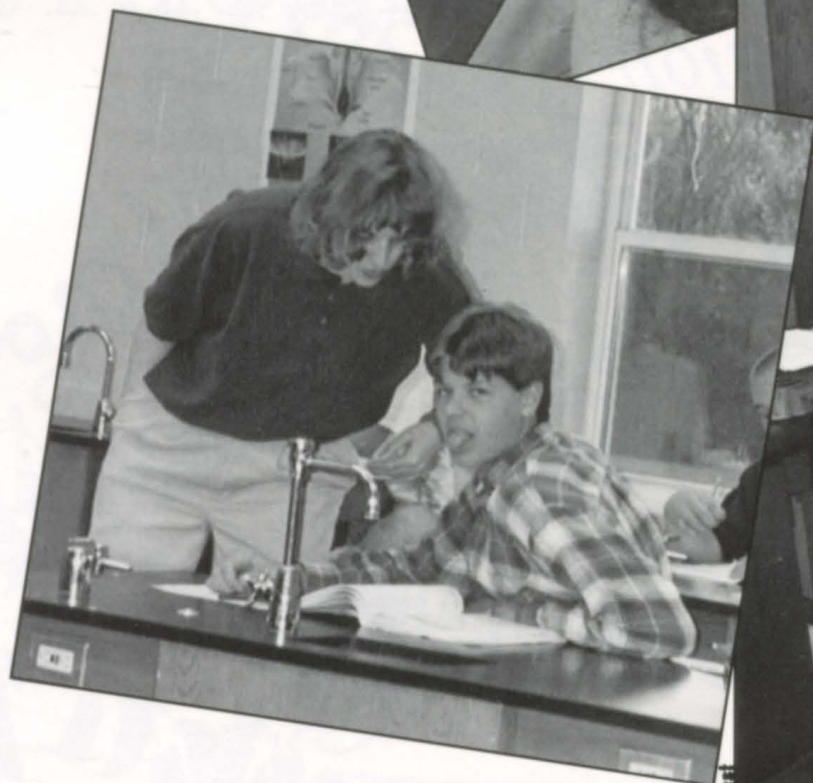
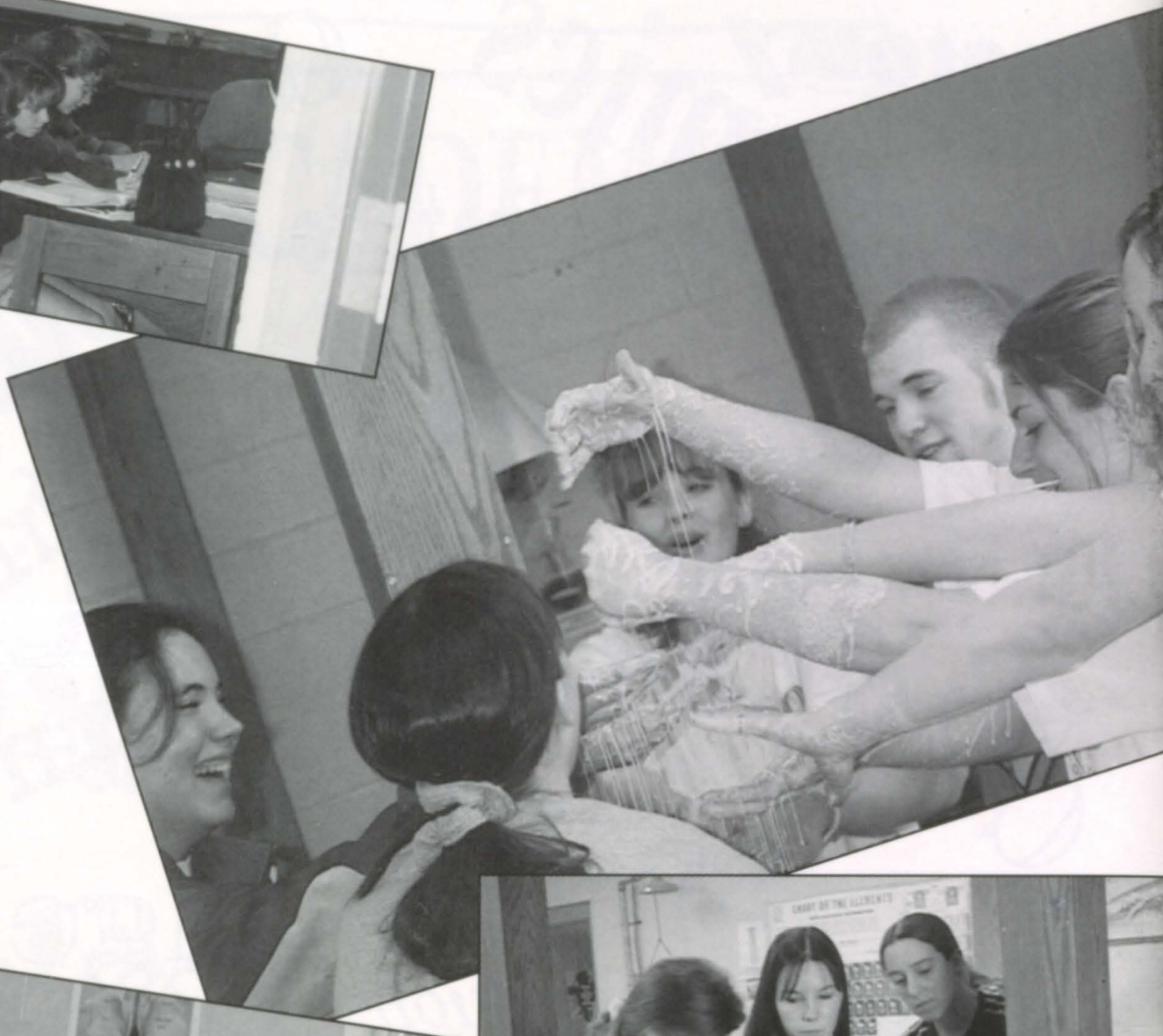
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Wright City Wildcats fight with other team for the ball.

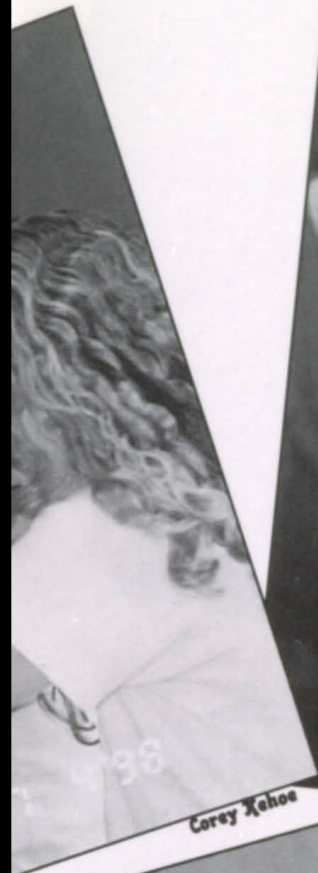
Senior Dan Gripentrog struggles to gain control of the ball.



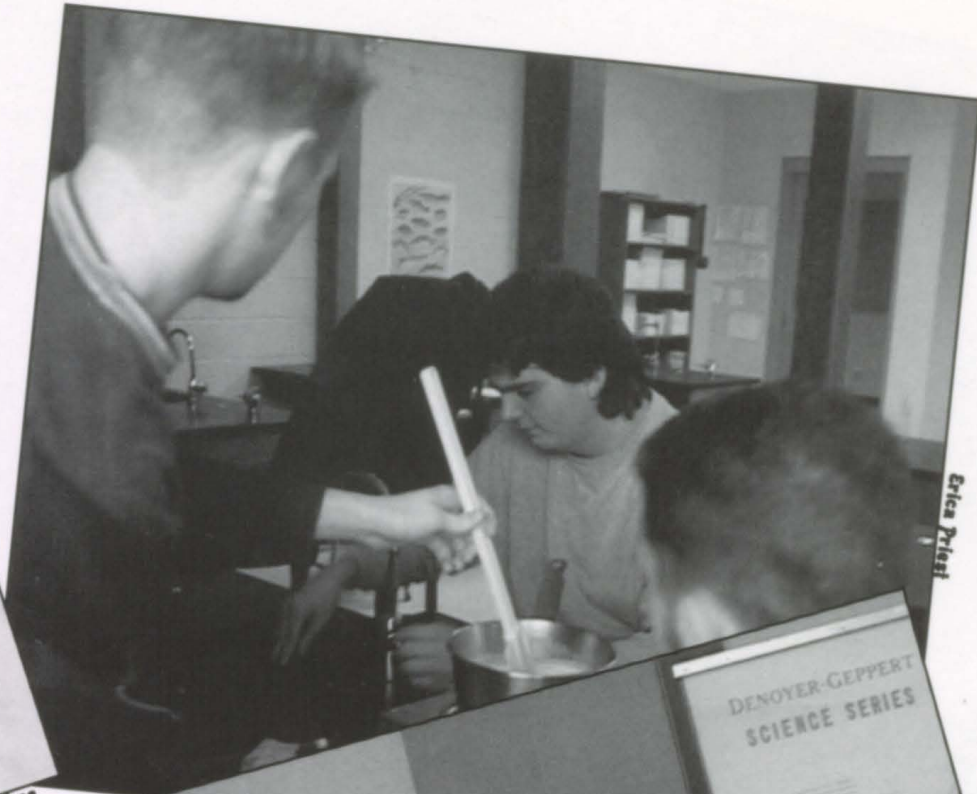
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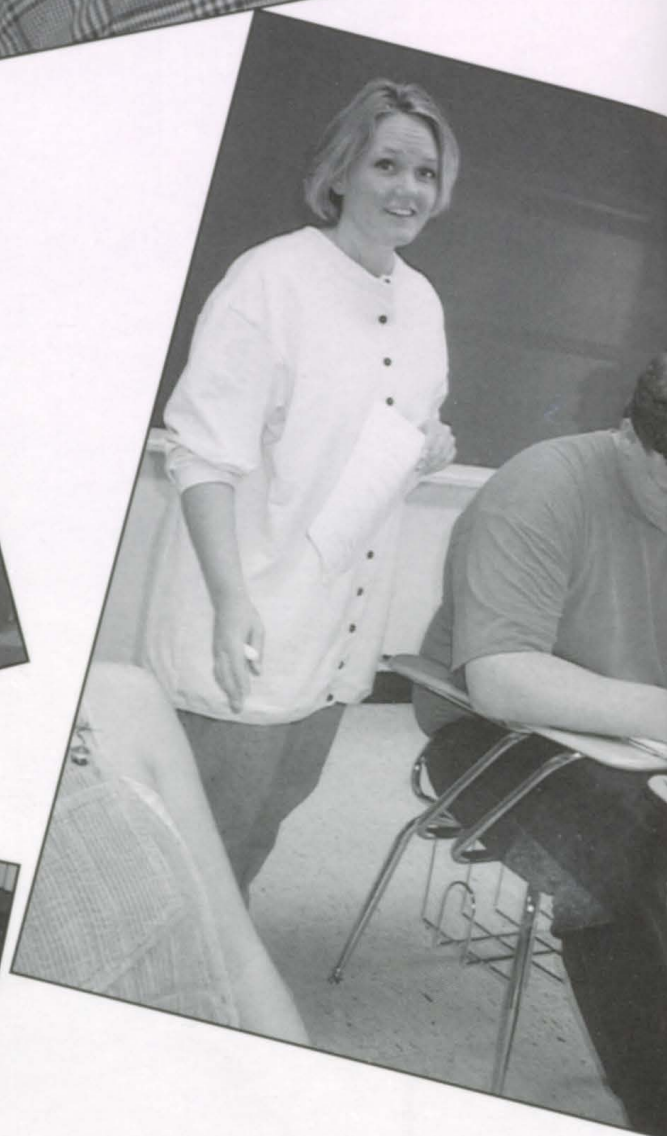
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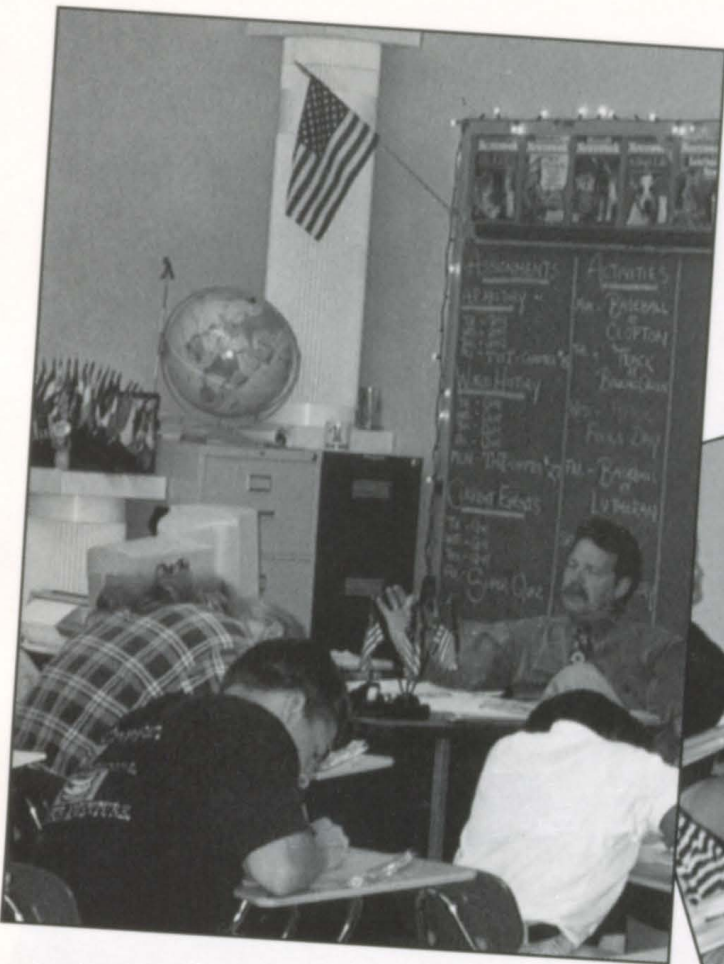
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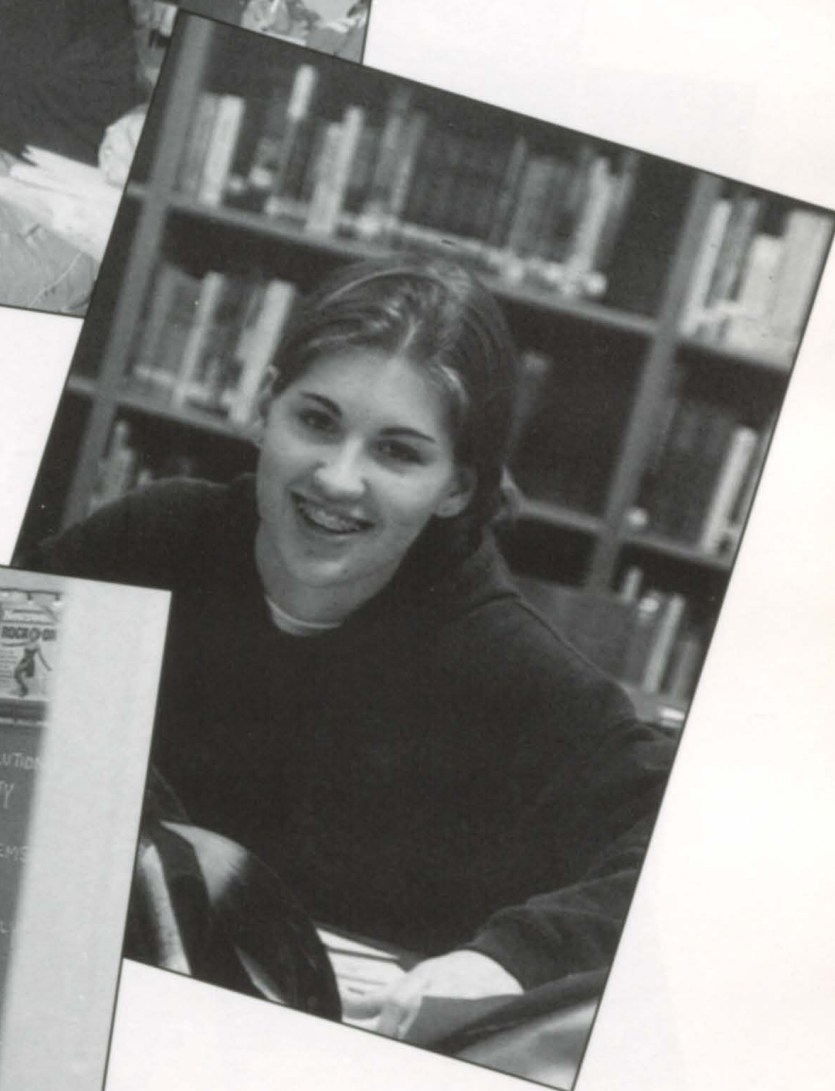


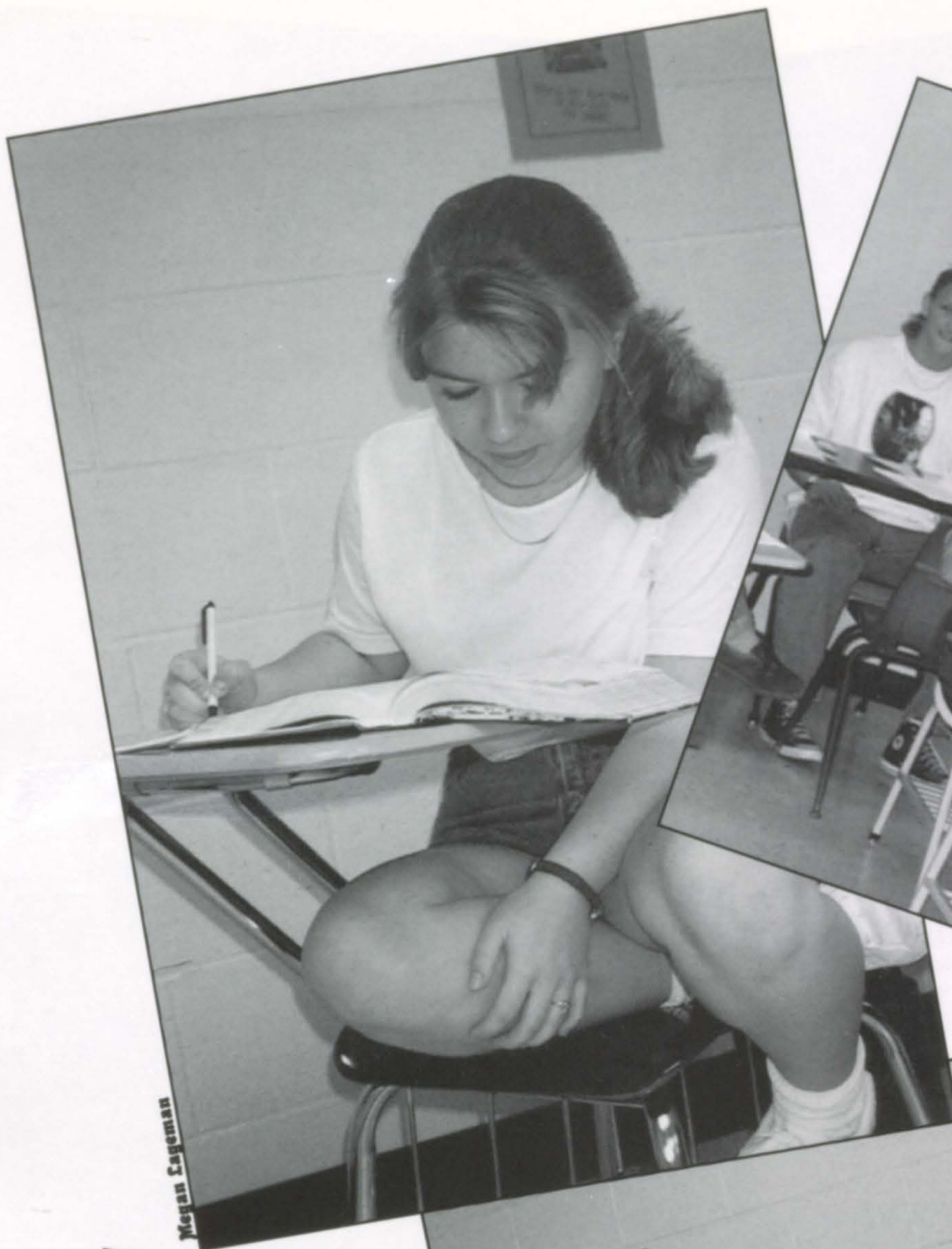
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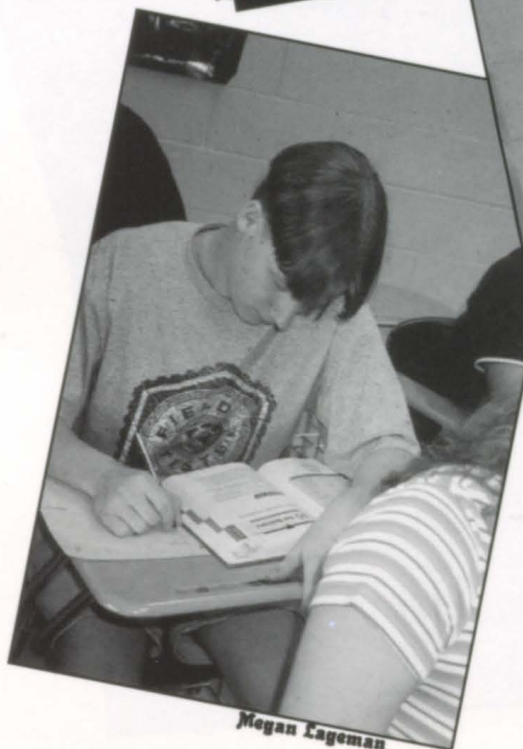




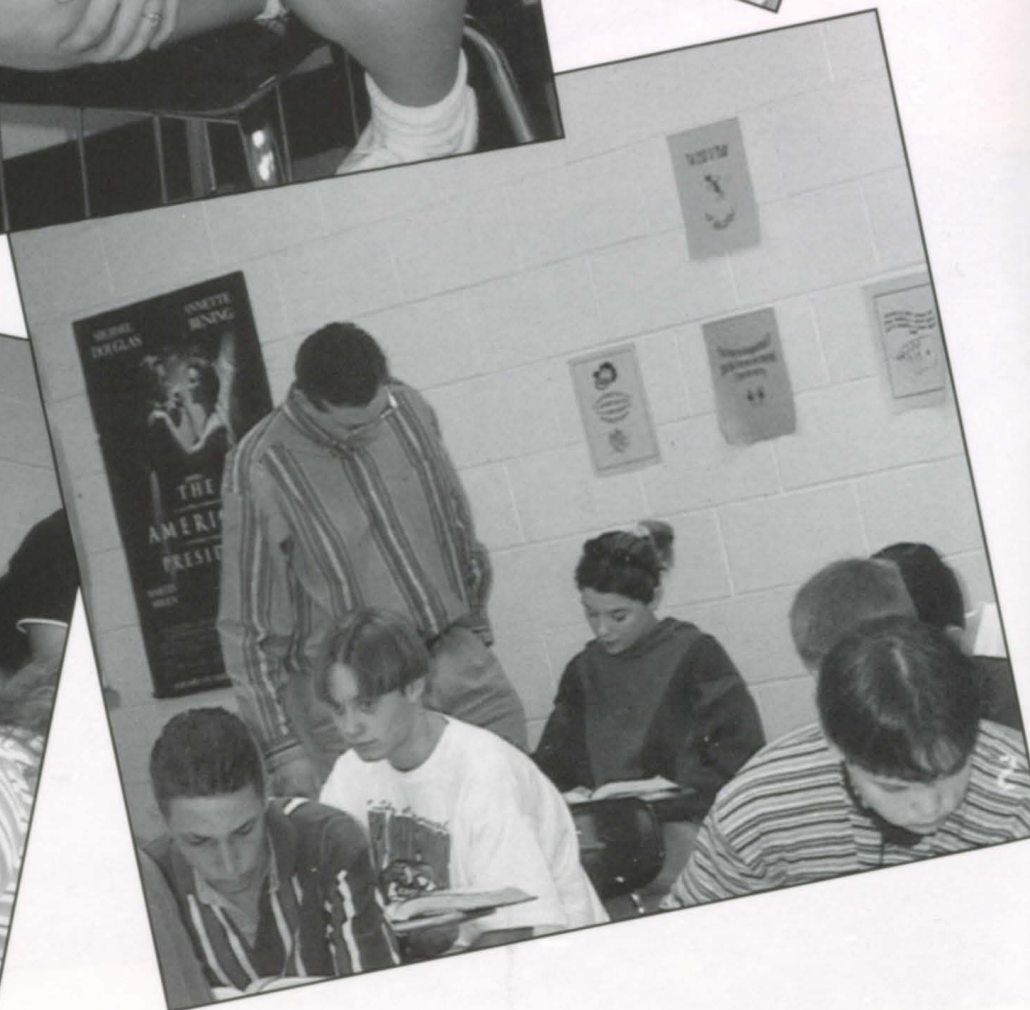


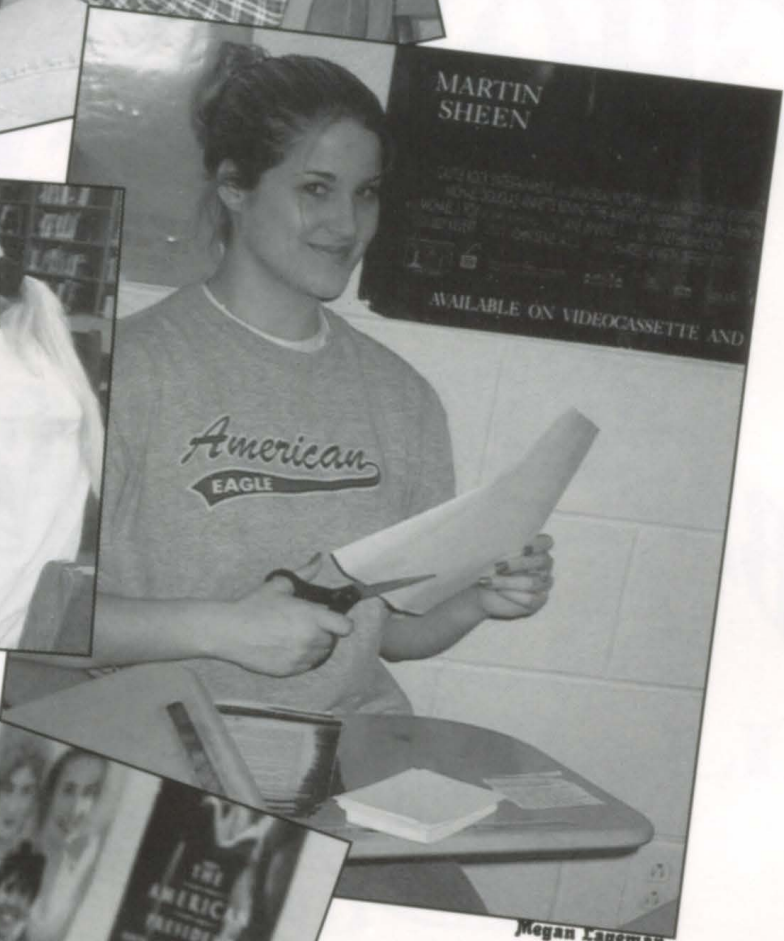
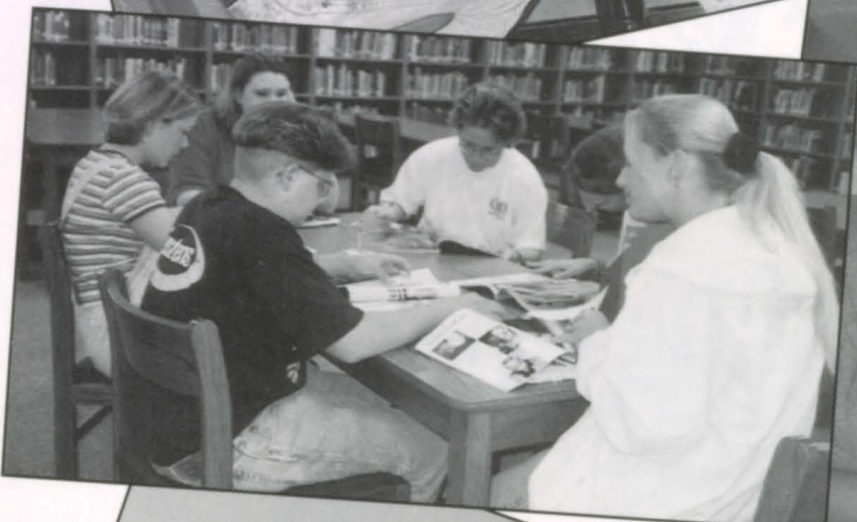
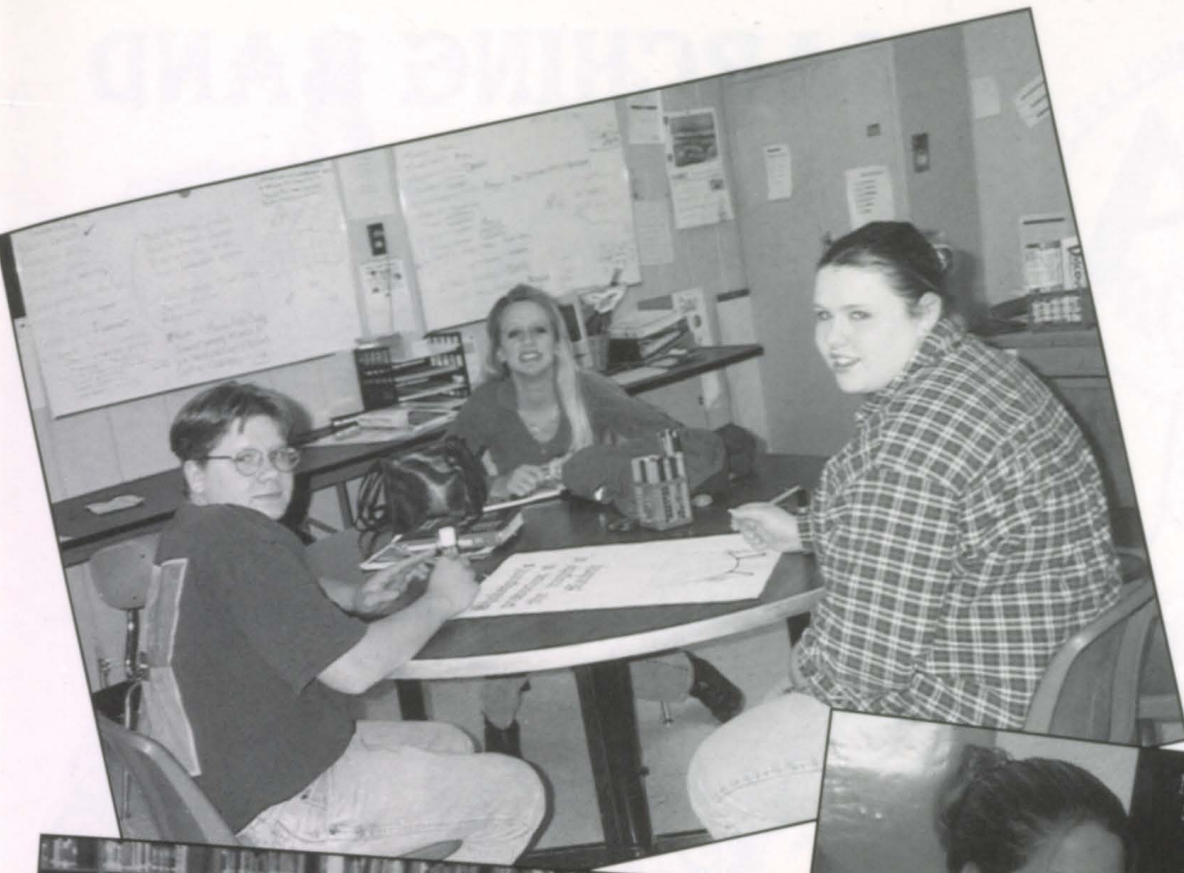


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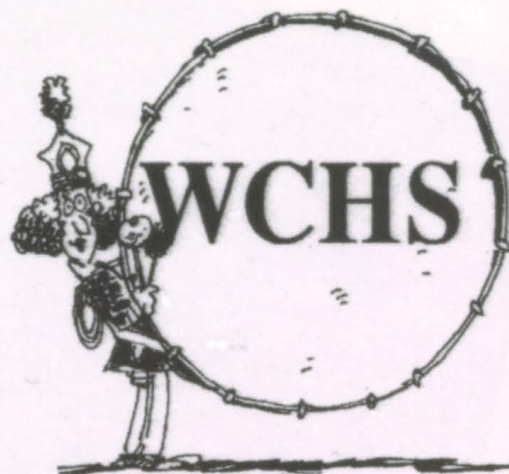
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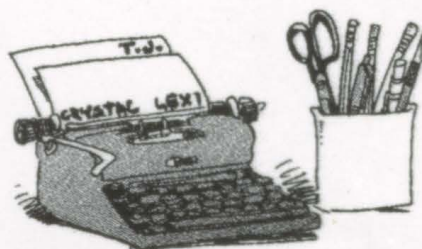
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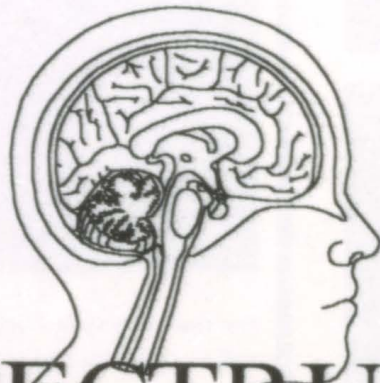


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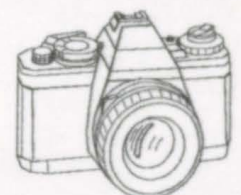


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JOURNALISM



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back row: Amanda Ruppert, Andrea Thornton, Becky Novelli, Leahan Ostmann

Senior Health Occ.



first row: Tisha Wood, Alanna Stonebarger

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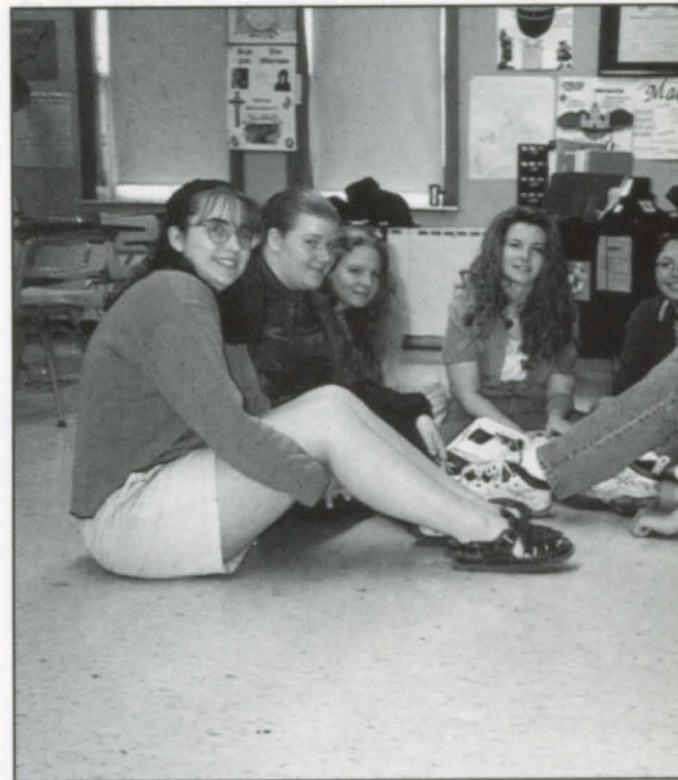
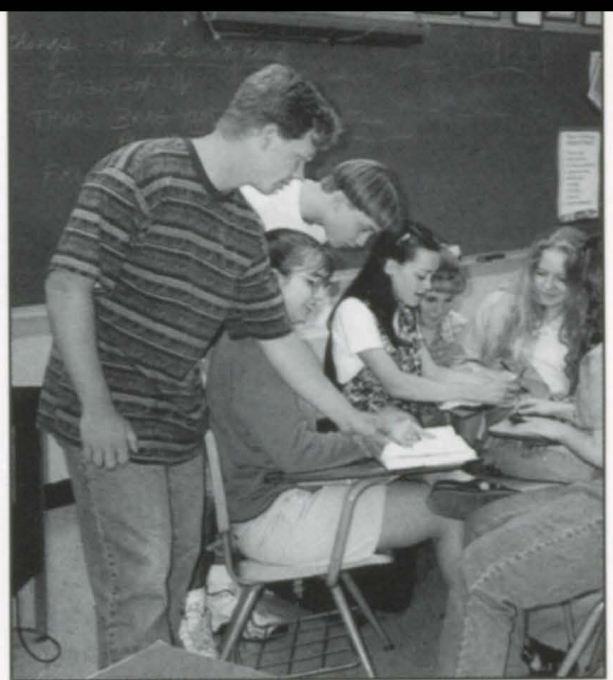


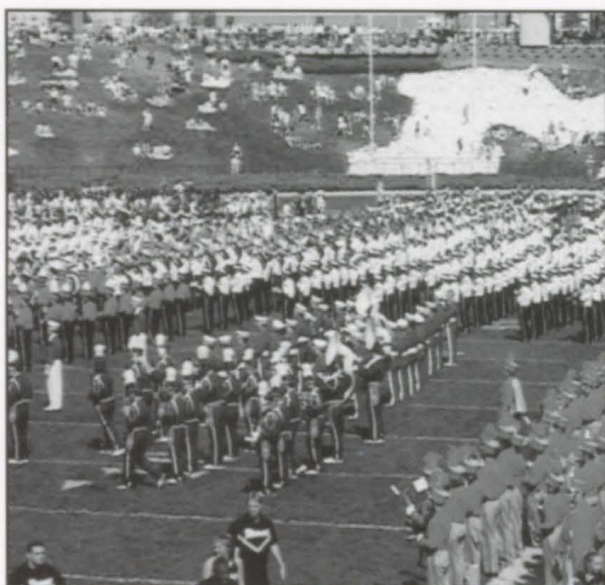
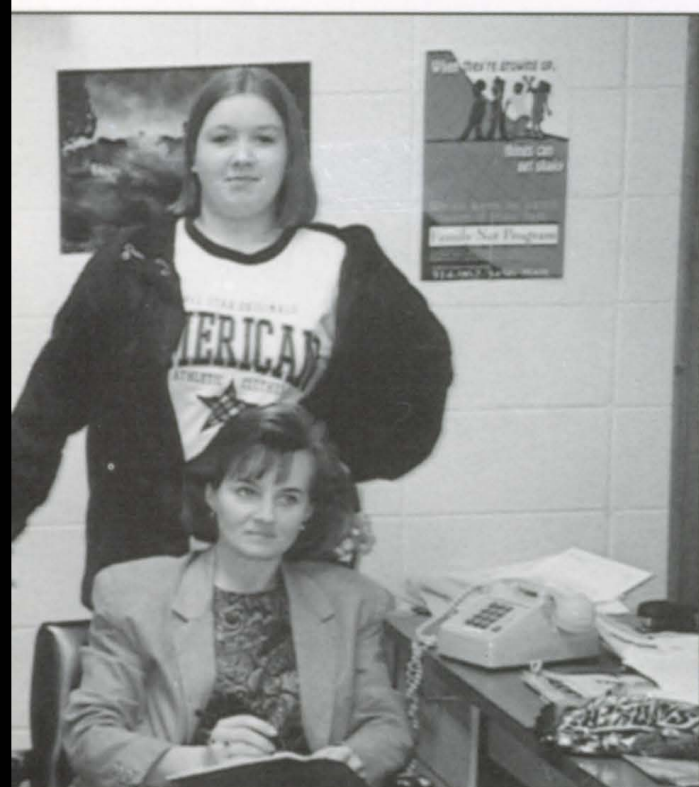
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Math Club



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middle row: Amanda Rappert, Colene McEntee, Mindy Snyder, Matt Hayes
back row: Chrissy Bowns, Corey Kehoe, Jacob Morie





Band



first row: Andrea Paul, Tricia Gerland, Rebecca Filson, Adam Williams, Nick Girondo, Trisha Wood, Holly Jarvis, Natascha Katzmeyer, Sarah Youngstrom second row: Amy Brann, Beth Dinnakey, John Freeborn, Kevin Madd, Travis Kehoe, Stephanie Lawson, Matt Lewis, Jake Boyd, David Chilson, Laura Vrabel, Annie Brann third row: Nadine Brownfield, Shawn Rivera, Deanna Kallorier, David Kemp, Stephanie Balven, Jada Watson, Kella Mozee, Kati Dalton, Kelly Howard, Megan Gordinier fourth row: Rani Viers, Amanda Ruppert, Sharice Adkins, Danielle Lacy, Mandi Tucker, Carol Vehige, Erin Dixon, Kristine Dorn, Jessica Walker fifth row: Emily Maschmidt, Jared Viggers, Bobby Diefenbacher, Robby Vaughn, Paul Berscheid, Mike Duffy, Jason Walker, Dwayne Doyle sixth row: Matt Hayes, Kyle Sky, Josh Gerland, Chris Lewis, James Maestas, Eric Creech, Dan Neill, Vince Hilborn, Marchs Hayes, Johnny Rampani, Lisa Vrabel, Amy Schubert seventh row: Mindy Snyder, Amy Neldon, Johnathan Balven, Elisabeth Meyer, Matt Schlipp, Tonya Sydnor, Paul Dutton, Damon Tinsley, Kevin Huggins, Amanda Neldon, Lilly Fox back row: Colene McEntee, Brandy Spradling

S.A.D.D.



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Chorus



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 second row: Amanda Neldon, Juli Owens, Nicole Sherry, Jerilyn Famows, Sabrina Blasko,
 third row: Janet Clarke, Emily Maschmidt, Michelle Blanton, Amy Braun, Brandy Hindman,
 Andrea Dongan
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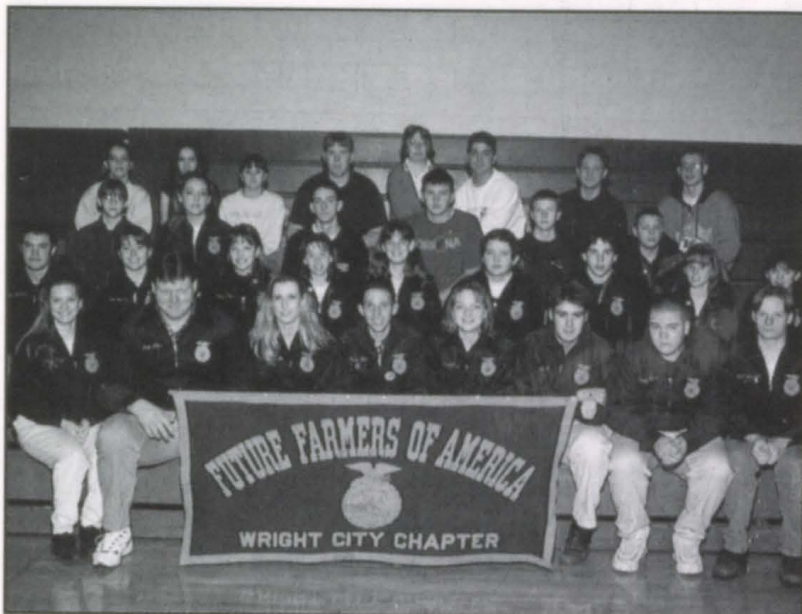


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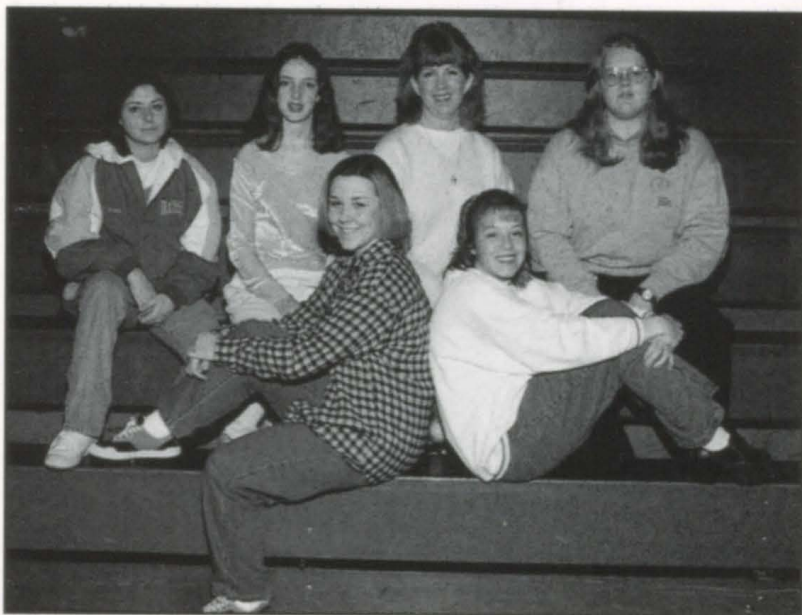
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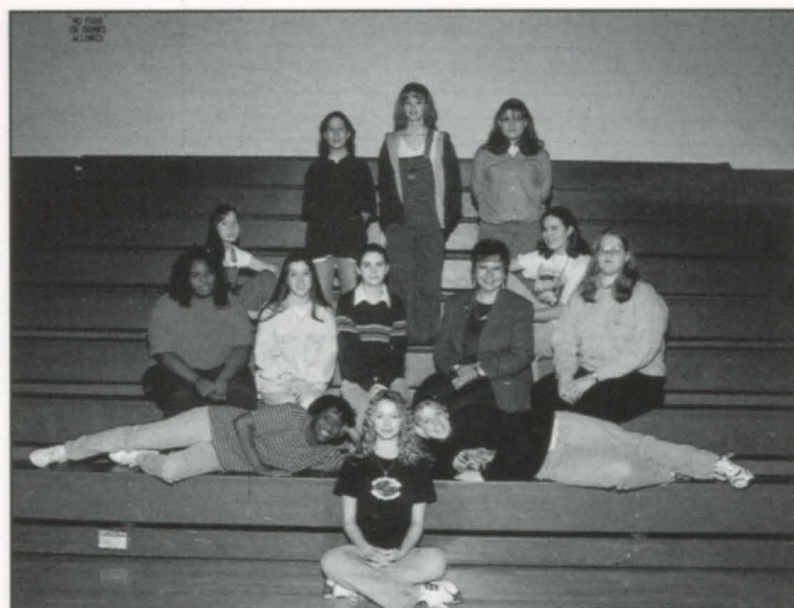
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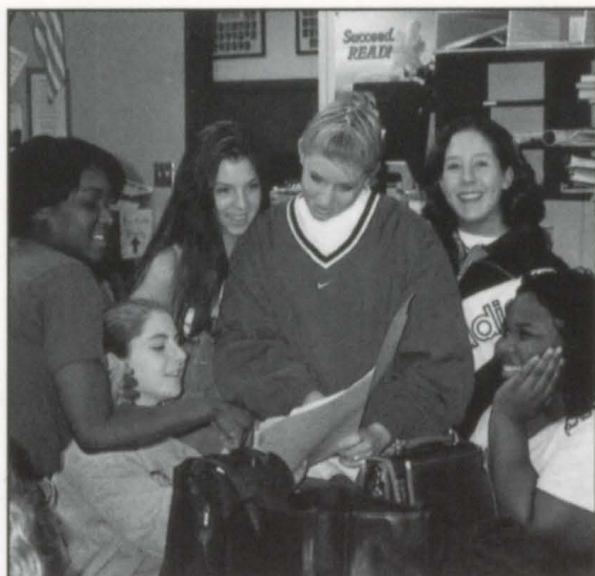


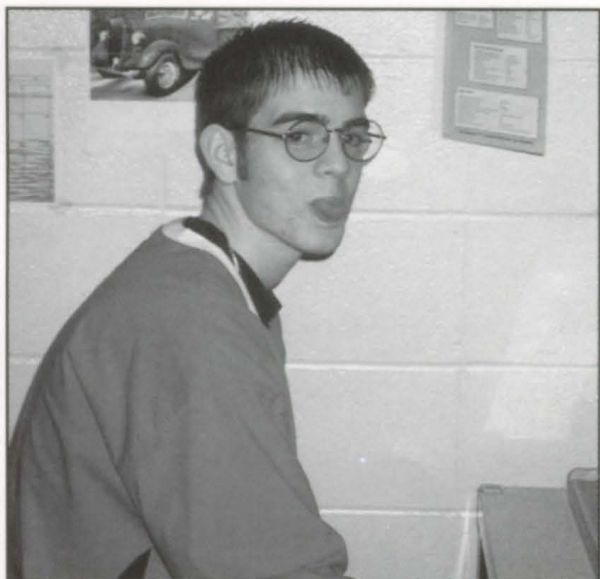
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Art Club



first row: Jaci Pomeroy, Jamie Schamma, Terry Beer, Mandy Martin, Travis Borrego
 second row: Jessica Brazel, Anita Hohnston, Elizabeth Riley, Tonys Colvin Colene McEntee, Amanda Rappert
 back row: Tasha Heap, Jessica Iannicola, Lilly Fox, Lauren Holway, Erica Bopp, Jackie Caln, Andrea Dongan

Quill & Scroll



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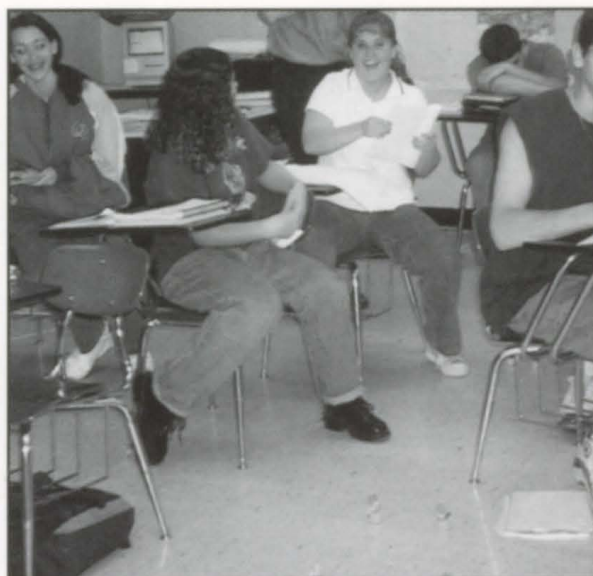
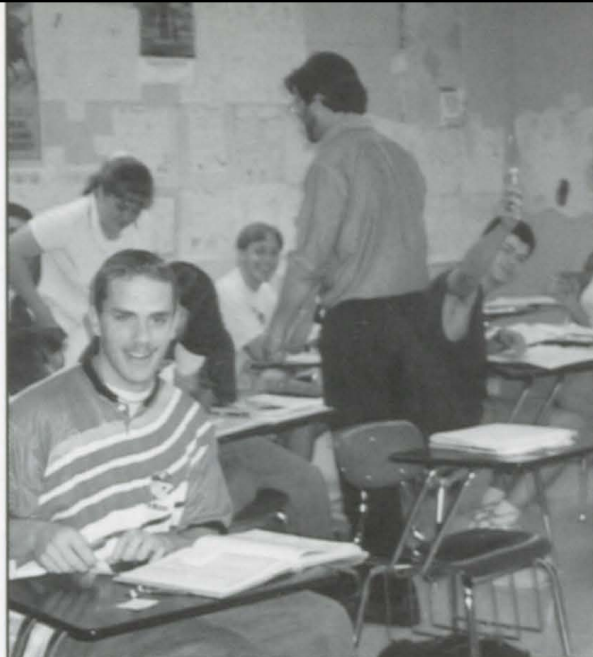


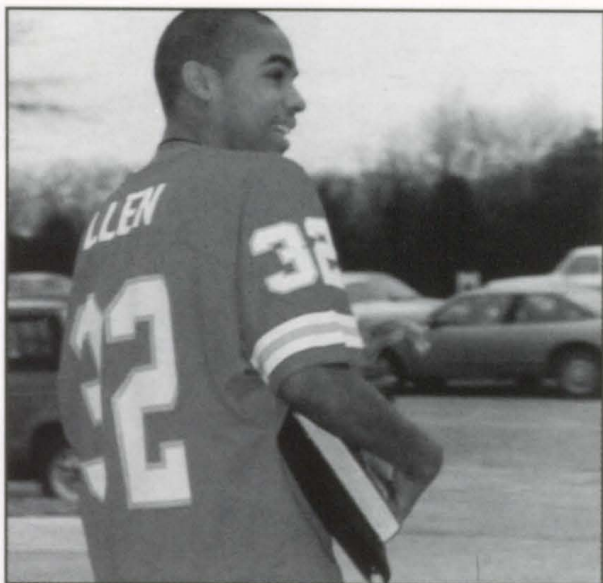
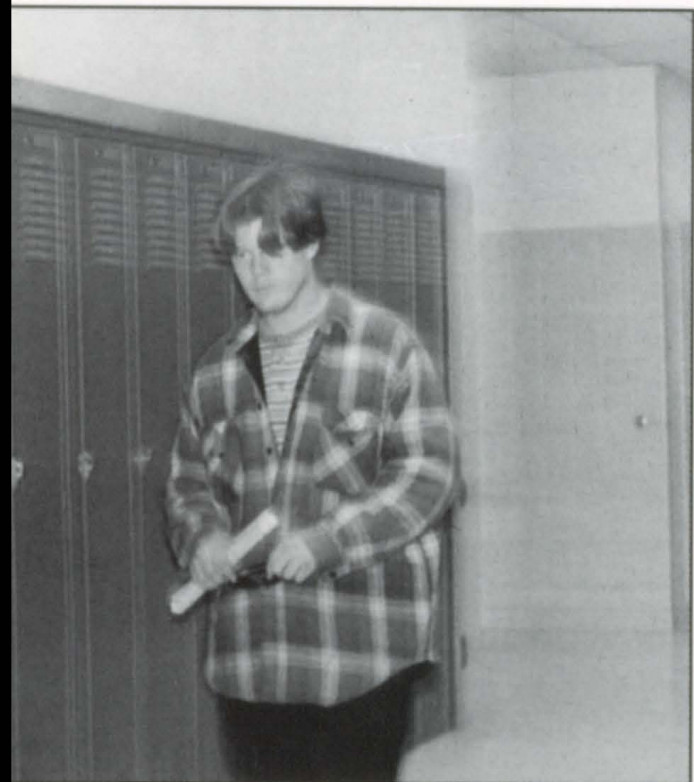
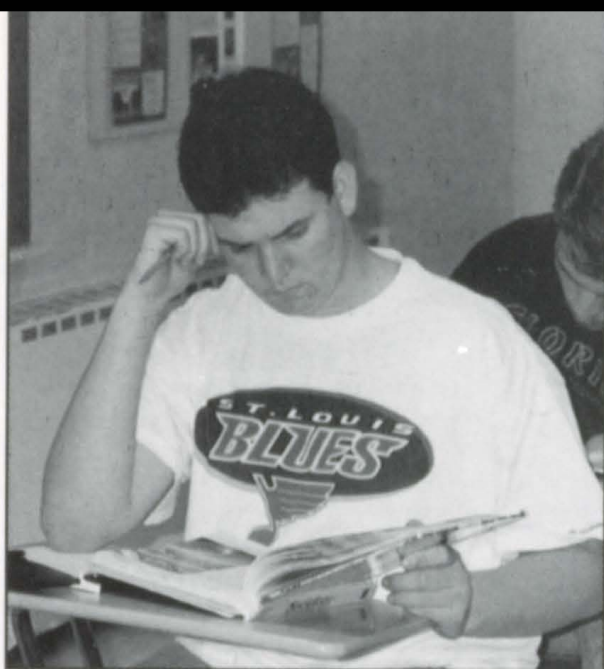
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School Store



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T.S.A.



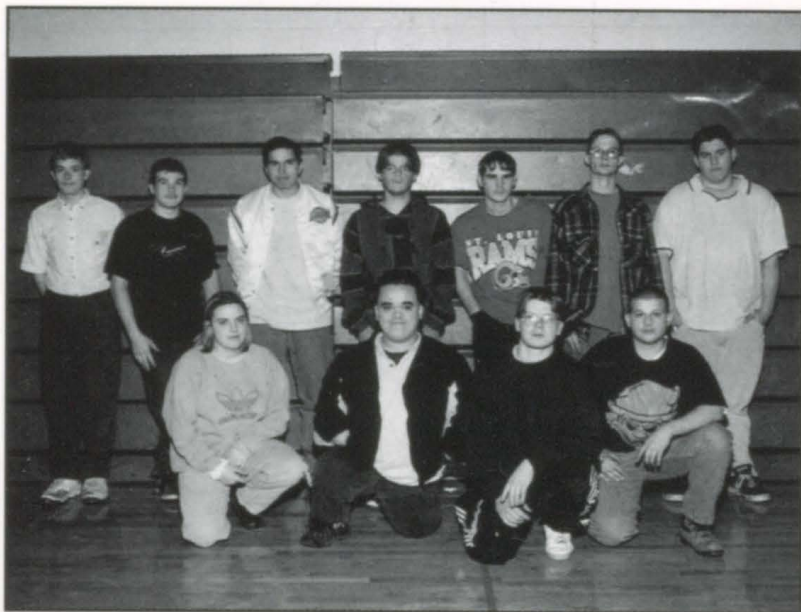
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back row: Shawn Paul, Wendell Craig, Eric Martin, Mike Marry, Mike Chapman, Shawn Keown, David Chilson

Vo-Tech



first row: Tasha Kauble, John Pfuhl, Luke Zahone, Matt Palmer

back row: Tim McCutcheon, Brandon Boegemann, Chris Delgado, Steve Deardenff, Shane Byrd, Steve Ruth, Mark Christopher

Student Council



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Prom Committee

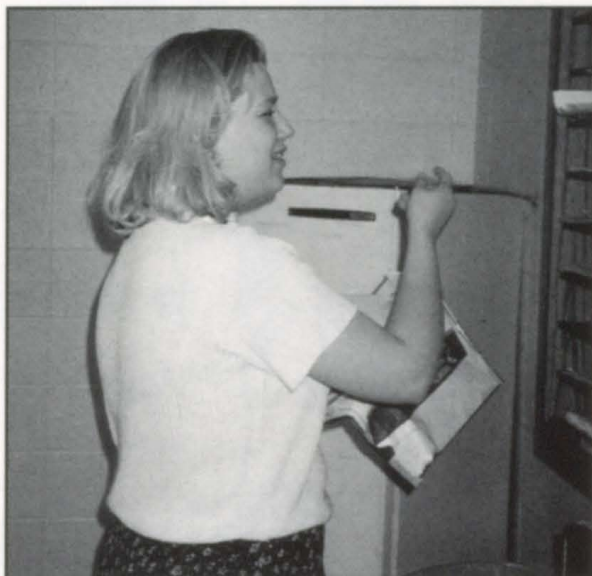
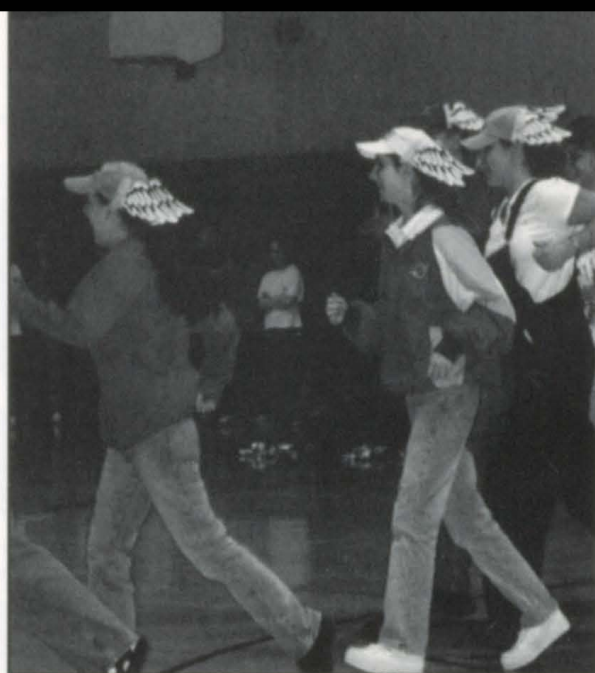


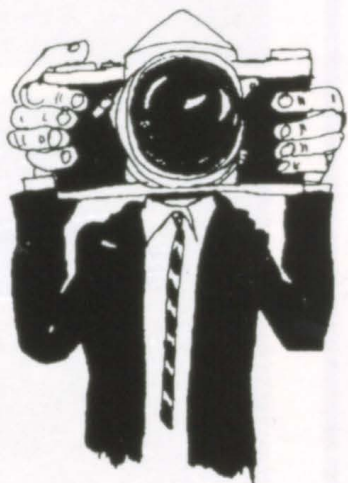
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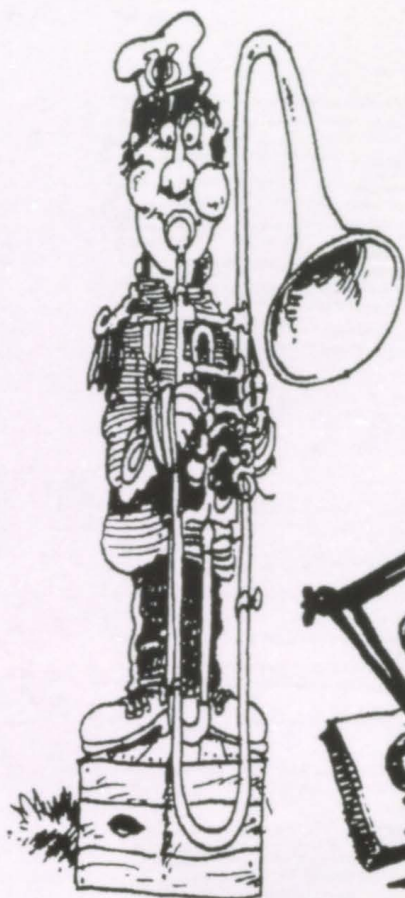
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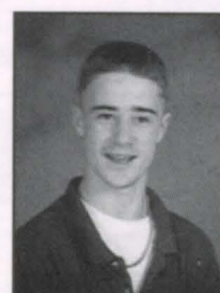
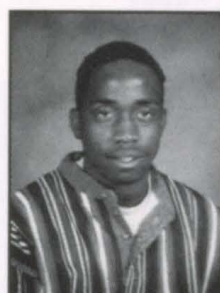
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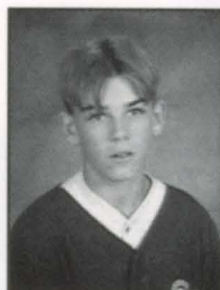
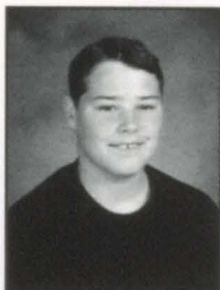


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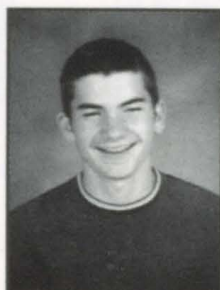
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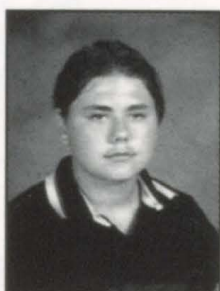
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Tricia Gerland wrapping the freshmen during the paper towel roll at the spirit games.

Elisabeth Meyer and Amy Schubert joke around while they wait for the bell to ring.



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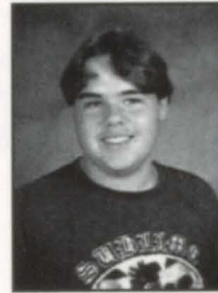
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Matt Lewis and Jimmy Harris work hard in Mr Wiegert's class.

Danielle Lacy works intensely on her work of art.

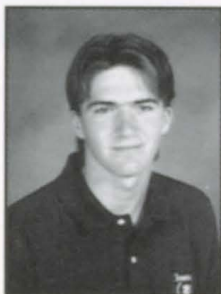


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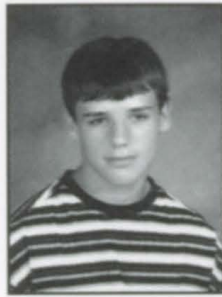


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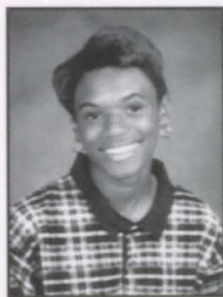




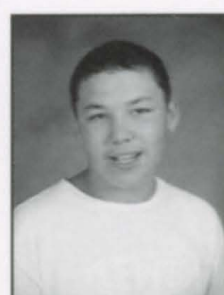
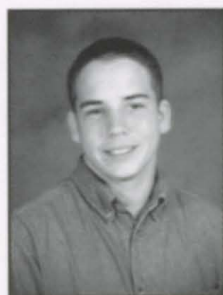
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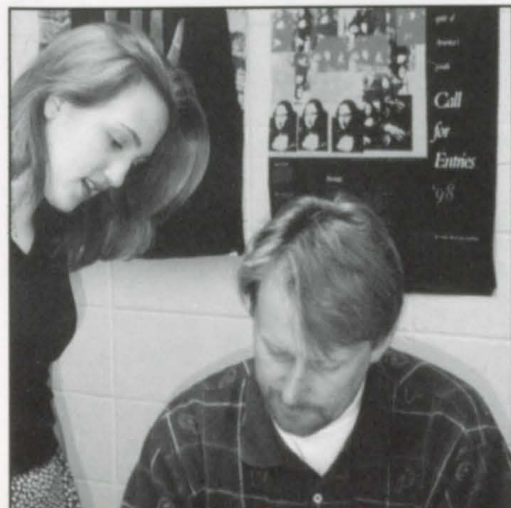


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Angie Willis
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Not Pictured: Theresa Coleman, Kati Dalton, Rachel Davis, Michael Duffy, Elizabeth Ekdahl, Michael Foran, Timothy Hill, Julie Kettmann, Tracey Myer, Shawn Paul, Matthew Rader, Destiny Schafer, Tammy Sherrell, Timothy Starks, Manuel Torres, Kimberly Whitman.



Freshmen '01

Freshmen



Freshmen Enter High School Halls

By Jessica Harrison

The class of 2001 is making its way through it's freshman year of high school. In this year, they will face new challenges and make their way to maturity.

One of their challenges is adjusting to new schedules. In middle school, they had block hours with A and B days. "I like it better because it goes by quicker than the other school used to," Justin Bruce commented.

"I have a better schedule without A and B days," said Kylee Blasko. He also likes not having to figure out

which day it is on the bus ride to school.

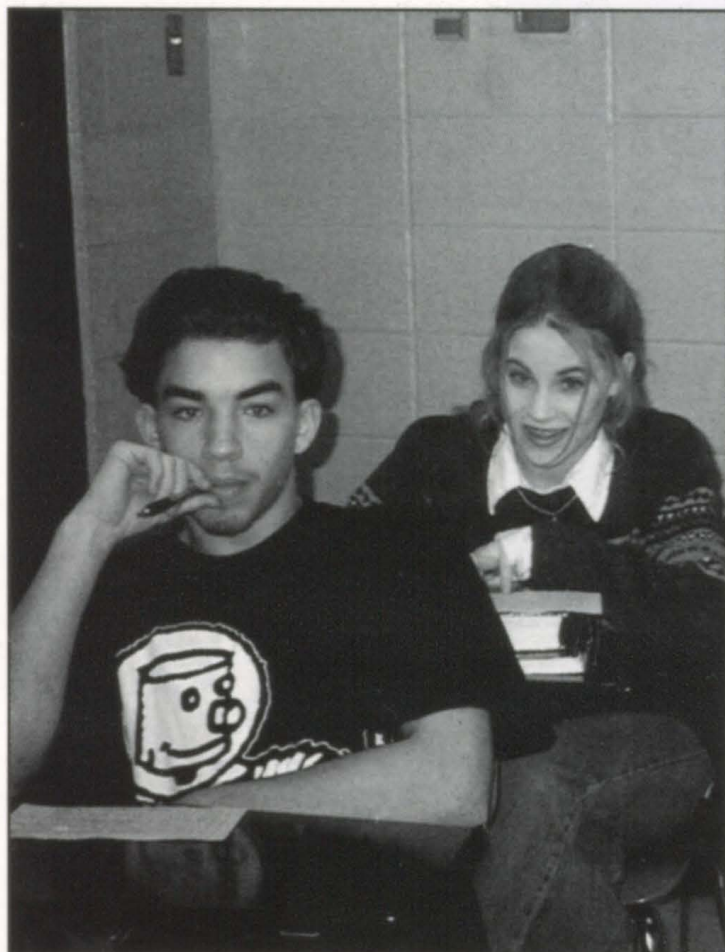
With having more classes in a day there is another major change - more home work, but some students, like Dana Spradling, who hold down a job, and Jessica Brazel, who played on the girls J.V. basketball team, have found time for other things.

The seven hour schedule also brings them in to contact with people in higher grade levels. This gives them more things to do after the school day is over. "I play football and Monopoly," said Bruce.

"We usually try figuring out something while driving around town," commented Brazel.

This year has also brought them in contact with new teachers. "Some of the teachers are nicer than the ones in the middle school," said Brazel. The year has also brought them face to face with past teachers from the middle school such as Mr. Wiegert and Mrs. Springman.

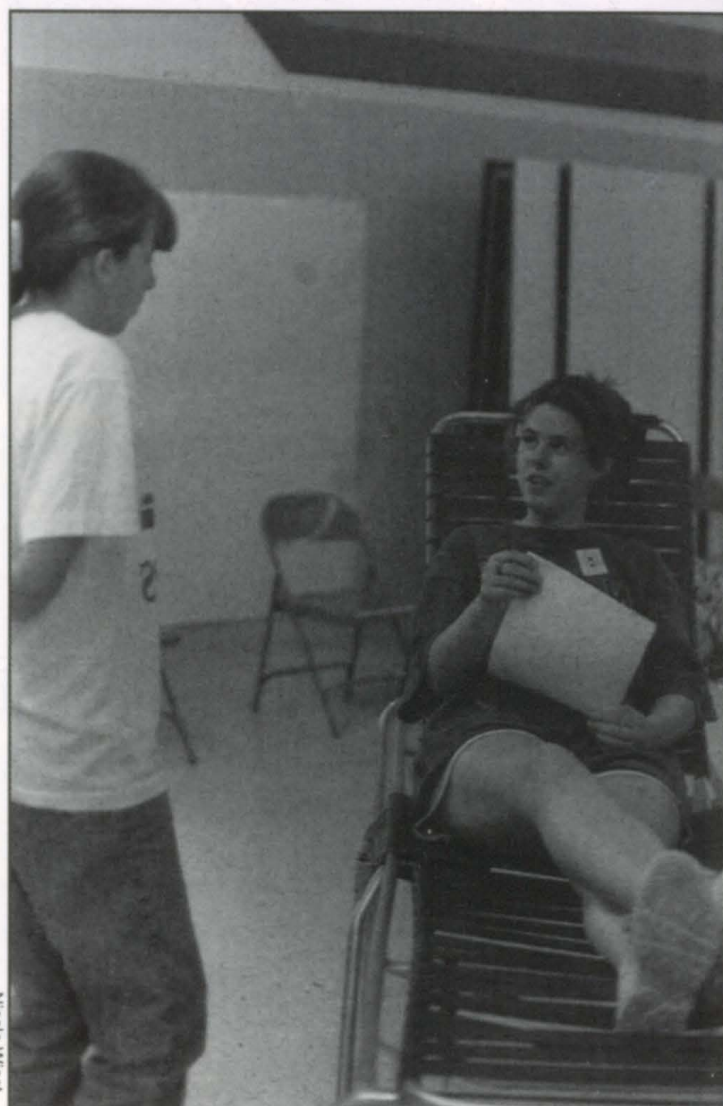
In all, the class of 2001 is off in a new school with both old and new friends and teachers to help them throughout their high school years.



Erica Priest

Freshmen Nicole Sherry and Matt Lewis take a short break from their work.

Amber Pickett helps Jamie Justice relax before donating some of her blood.



Nicole West



Erica Priest

A few of the freshmen class officers perform a skit at the student council pep assembly.

Brett Odom goes for the ball during the homecoming basketball game.



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A few freshmen working on the business breakfast sponsored by FFA.

Stacy Stout relaxes before tackling her next story for the Wright City Connection.

Erica Priest



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Journalism Representative: Megan Lagemann

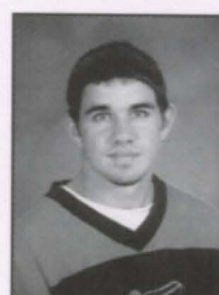
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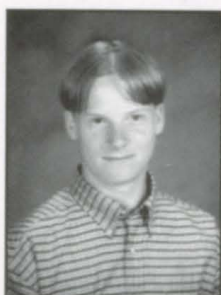


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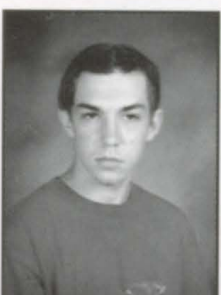
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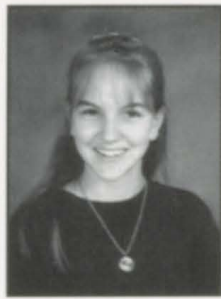


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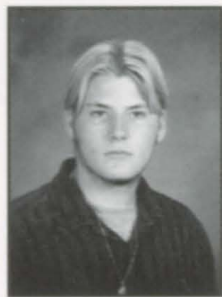


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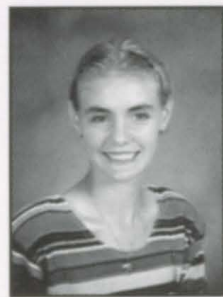
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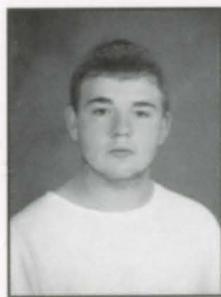
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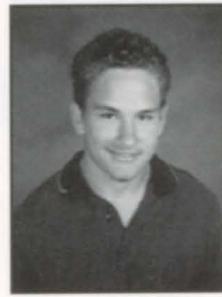
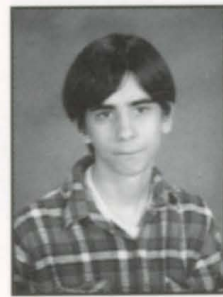
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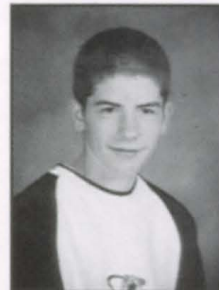
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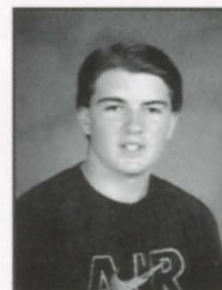
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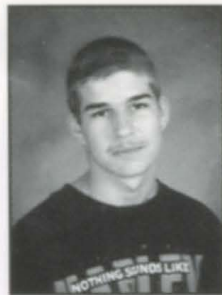


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Not Pictured: Robyn Bruner, Aliessa Craig, Eric French, Christopher Graeser, Tasha Heap, Katie Hood, Michael Huskey, Quentin Kallbrier, Jason McRoberts, Julia Owens, Mikel Pierce, Samantha Sansagraw.

Sarah Youngstrom
Luke Zuhone



Sophomores 2000



Holly Jarvis, sophomore, was part of the Anti-Smoking Committee in WCHS.

Sophomores Sarah Youngstrom and Jessie Iannicola working on a Critical Thinking assignment.



Amy Braun, a flag girl her sophomore year, taking a break at a band competition.



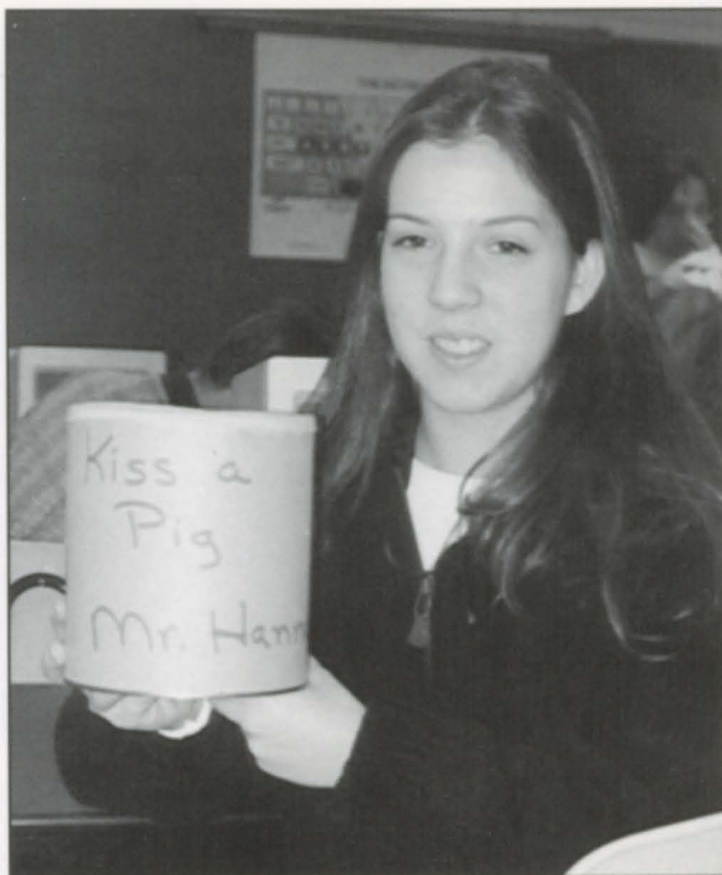
Several sophomores try to sell goodies to Wright City citizens to raise money.



Tonya Colvin, one of the sophomore cheerleaders, doing a routine at a home game.

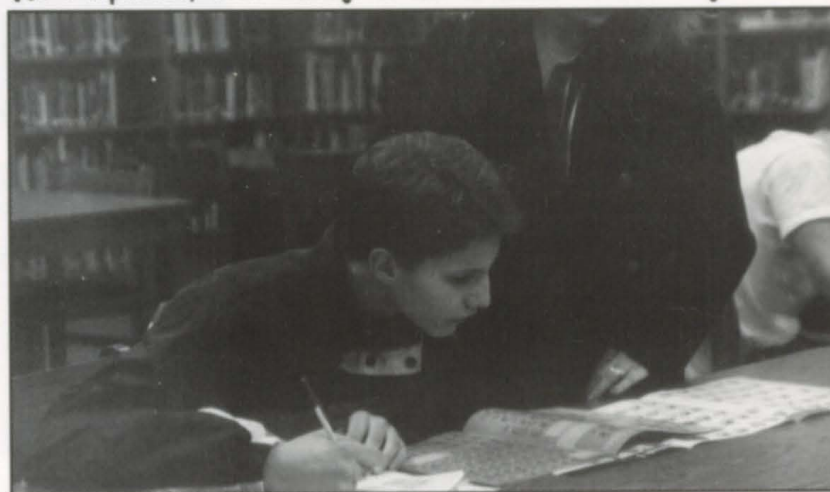
Kenny Pike and Jason Williams, sophomores, finish up an English assignment.

Sophomore Missy Briscoe was a part of the "Kiss a Pig" fundraiser.



Marsha Mayfield, sophomore, visiting the elementary children as a S.A.D.D. member.

As a sophomore, Scott Hastings is able to choose his class ring.



"Sixteen Candles" Sung For Sophomores

By Missy Briscoe and Megan Lagemann

The popular sixty's song, 'Sixteen Candles' sung by The Crests, still holds importance to many sophomores as they celebrate their long awaited sixteenth birthday.

"Turning sixteen was one of the most important

days of my life because I knew I was entitled to more freedom," said sophomore Dustin Reckamp.

Being sixteen not only means freedom, but added responsibilities. It means getting a job to pay for all the necessities in a teenagers life-

including a car. Sophomore Grant Boschert said, "That's the bad part about driving, paying for gas and insurance!"

Along with added responsibility comes more privileges. Teens are now trusted to make their own decisions, go on dates, and have later

curfews. "My curfew is later now because my mom knows that I am responsible," commented sophomore Rebecca Filson.

Turning sixteen is a great step towards adulthood. The best advice that can be given is don't trip!

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Vice President: Becky Novelli

Treasurer: Lilly Fox

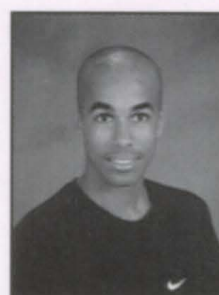
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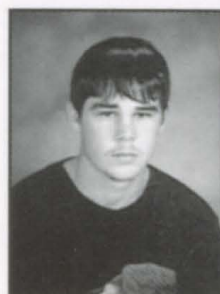


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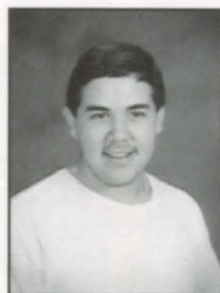
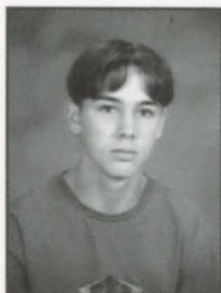
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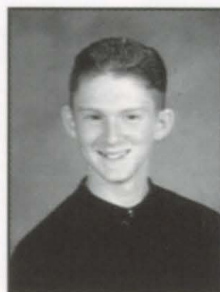
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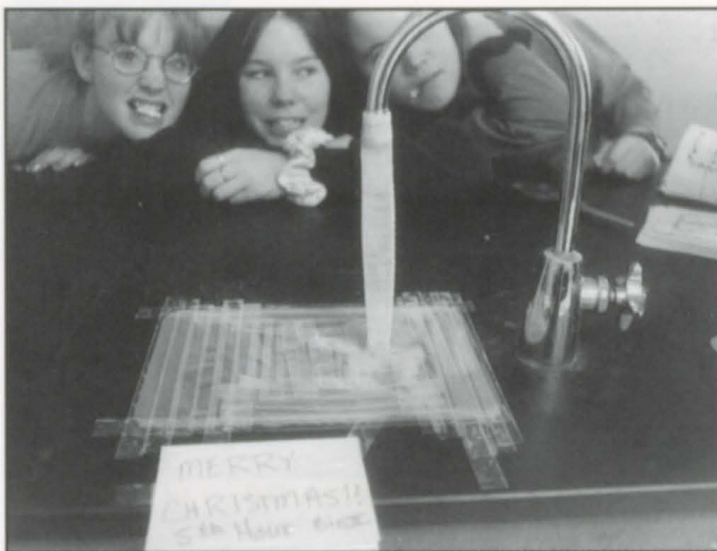




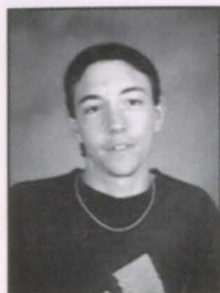
Tonya Sydnor

Mindy Snyder shows her musical talent as she plays the bass guitar in Mr. Blackmore's band class.

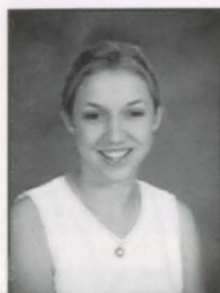
Erica Priest, Jenny Perry, and Devin Pellerito show off their creation in Ms. Rutkowski's biology class.



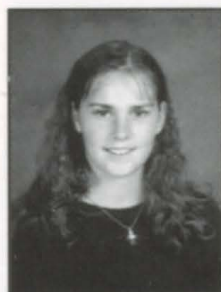
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John Freeborn
Aaron Gardner
Joshua Hobson



Michael Hoffman
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Feather LaRocque
Misty Lively
James Maostas

Junior girls join in the fun of cheerleading as they cheer at a pop assembly.



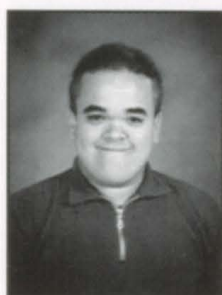
John Freeborn expresses his talent as he beats the drums at a pop assembly.



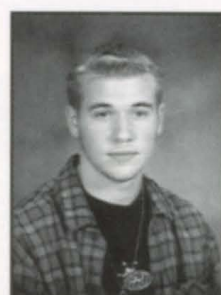
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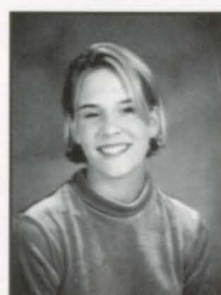
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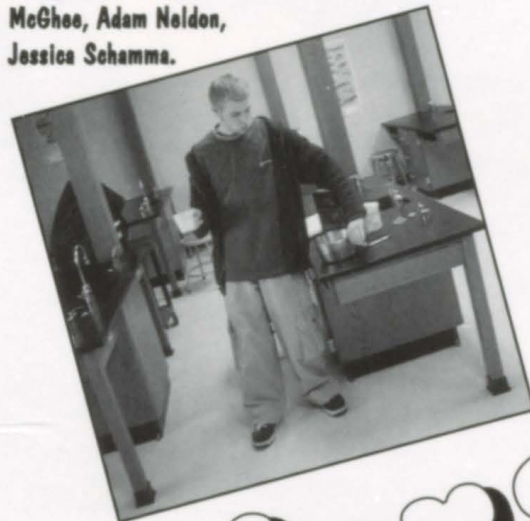


Lori Walker
 Rachel Waller
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 Jada Watson



Not Pictured: Nathan
 Ashley, Johndrea
 Jefferson, Kara
 McGhee, Adam Neldon,
 Jessica Schamma.

Christopher Wehrman
 Jamie Will
 Jeannie Yeager

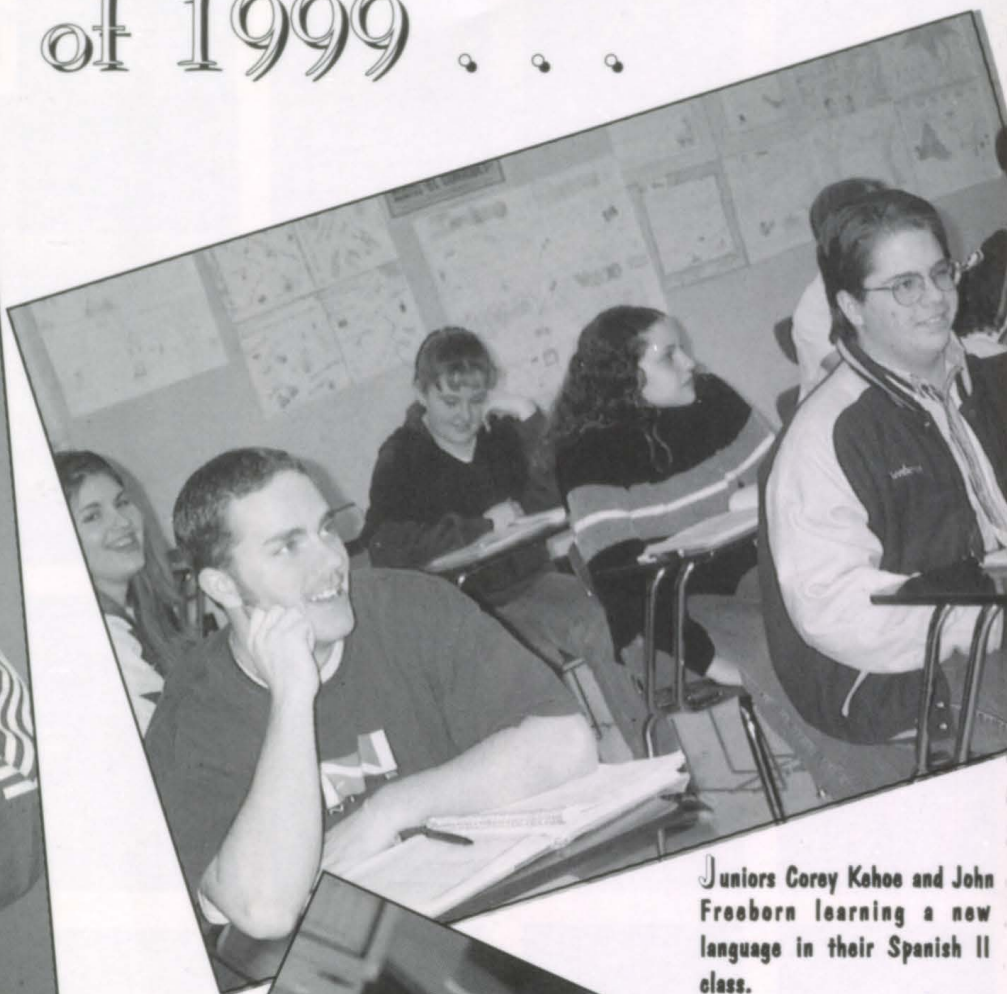


Juniors '99

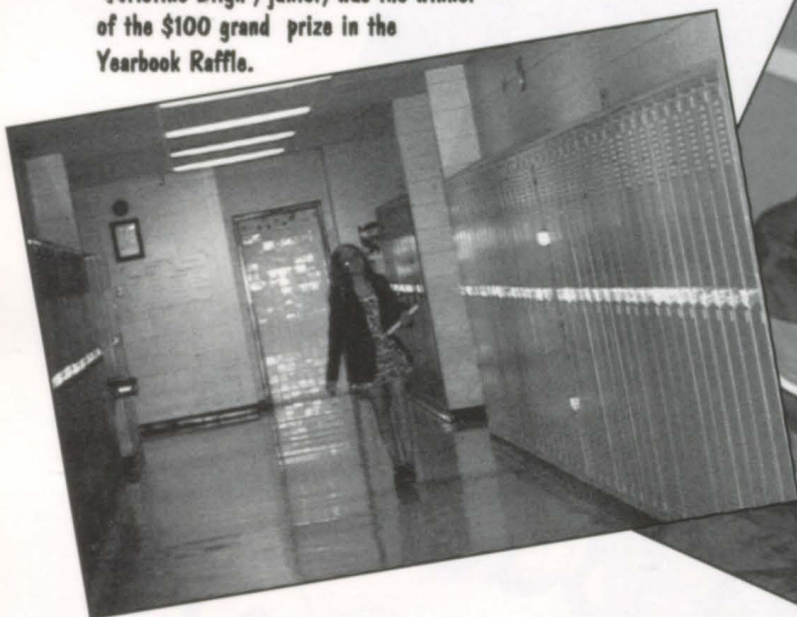
The Class of 1999 . . .



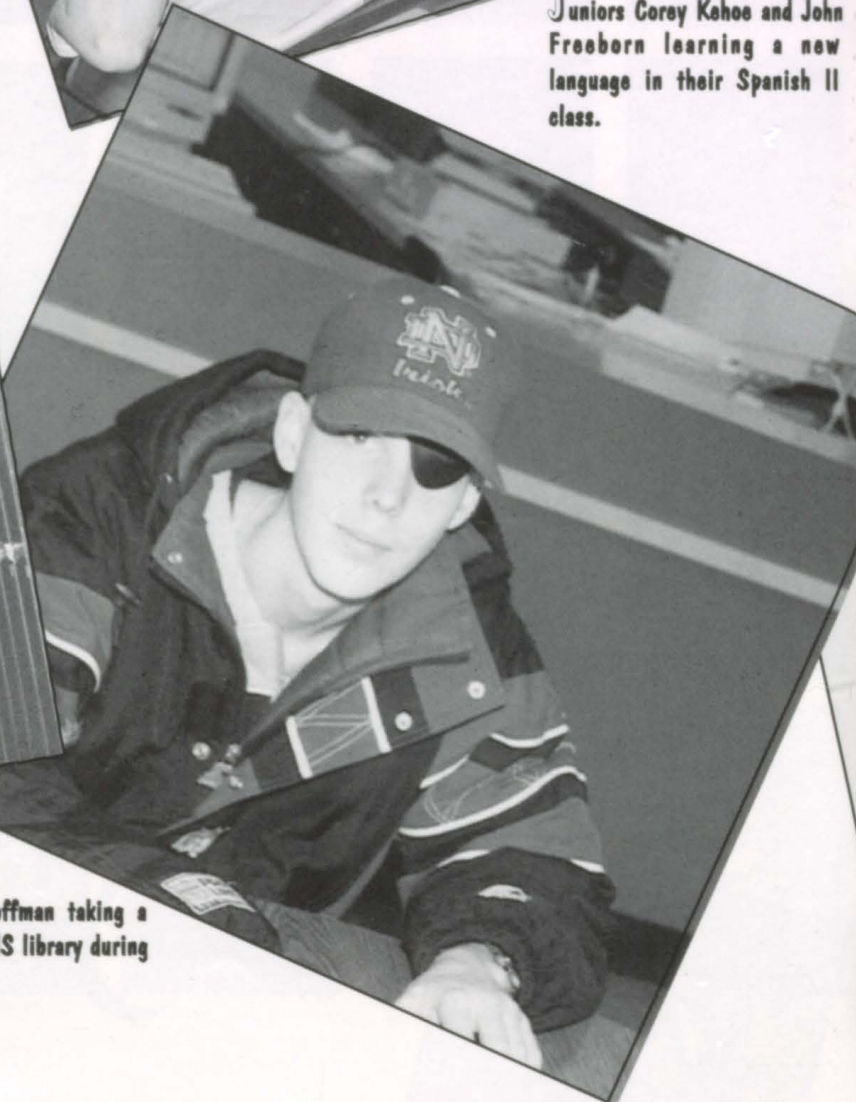
Kristine Bligh, junior, was the winner of the \$100 grand prize in the Yearbook Raffle.



Juniors Corey Kahoe and John Freeborn learning a new language in their Spanish II class.

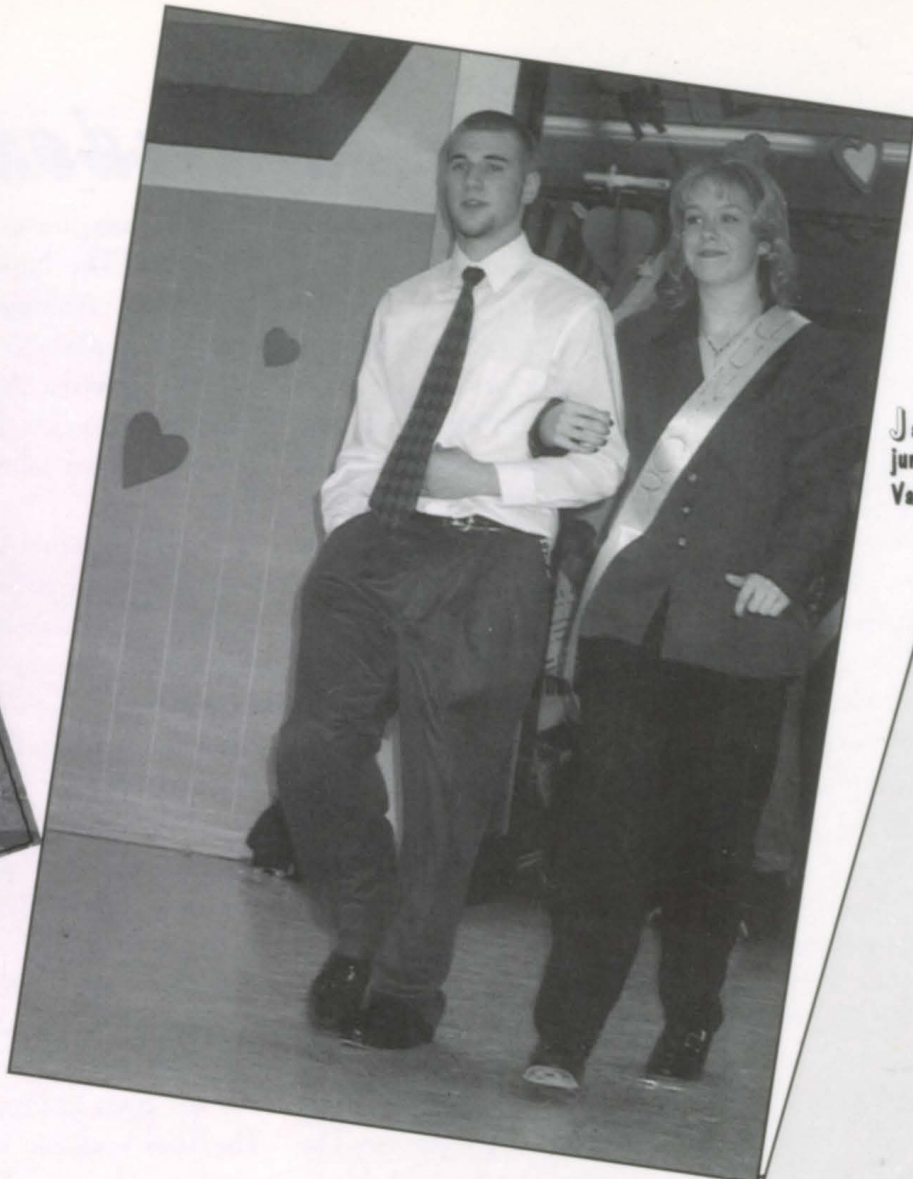


Chrissy Bounds, junior, walking to her accounting class with Mr. Charlton.



Junior Mike Hoffman taking a break in the WCHS library during school.

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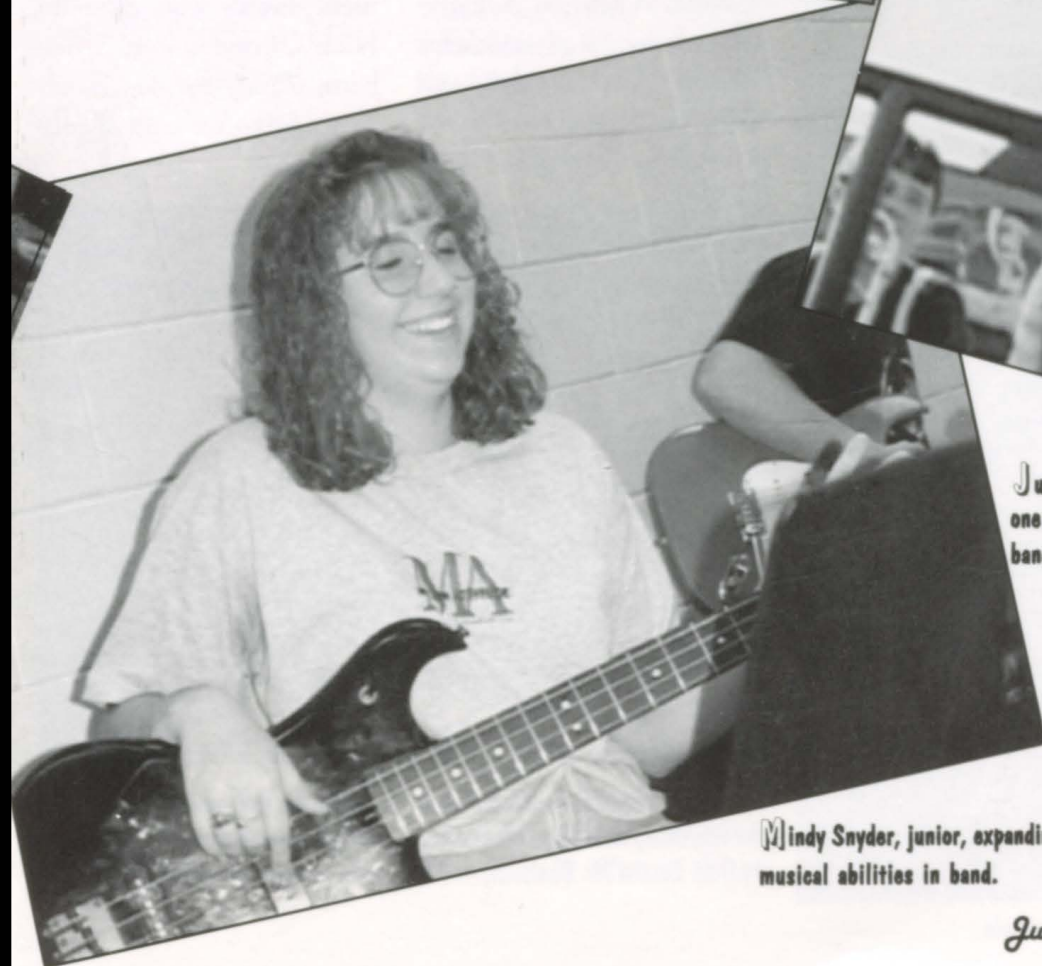


Jacob Morie and Leahan Ostmann, juniors, were on the court of the Valentine's Day Dance.



Junior James Maestas relaxing at one of the many competitions WCHS band attended.

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Mindy Snyder, junior, expanding her musical abilities in band.

Awards Given to Dedicated Students

On May 22 the hard work and dedication of WCHS students was recognized at the annual Awards Night.

The Agricultural Education Academic Achievement award was given to Will Adcock, Scott Sherrell, Carol Vehige, and Andrea Paul.

The Academic Pin for English was given to Chris Lacy. The Academic Achievement awards for English were given to Tonya Sydnor, Colene McEntee, Sarah Youngstrom, Lisa Vrabel, and Stephanie Balvin. Most Improved in English was Chris Dorsano and Curtis Hanes.

The Spanish Academic Pin was given to Dan Gripentrog. The Spanish Academic Achievement award was given to Eric Martin, Sharice Adkins, Sarah Youngstrom, and Devin Pellerito.

The Mathematics Academic Pin was given to Tonya Sydnor. The Mathematics Academic Achievement awards were given to Nick Gironde, Mandy Martin, Sarah Youngstrom, Sharice Adkins, Elisabeth Meyer, and Nadine Brownfield.

The Social Studies Academic Pin was given to Tonya Sydnor. The Social Studies Academic Achievement award was given to Chris Lacy, Colene McEntee, David West, and Angela Dorman.

The General Studies Academic Achievement award was given to Scott Sherrell, Jeremy Stoechner, and Angela Dorman.

The Family and Consumers Studies Academic Pin was given to Leahann Ostmann.

The Science Academic Pin was given to Nick Gironde. The Science Aca-

demic Achievement awards were given to Tonya Sydnor, Chris Wehrman, Sharice Adkins, Sarah Youngstrom, and Kelly Howard.

The Physical Education Academic Pin was given to Anna Braun. The Physical Education Academic Achievement awards were given to Paul Berschied, John Ault, Anita Johnston, and Jason Walker.

The Health Academic Pin was given to Danielle Lacy.

The Business Academic Pin was given to Christiny Bounds. The Business Academic Achievement award was given to Chris Lacy and Jonathan Balvin. The Chorus Academic Pin was given to Chris Wehrman. The Chorus Academic Achievement award was given to Anna Braun, Julia Owens, and Amanda Neldon.

The Newspaper Aca-

demic Pin was given to Colene McEntee. The Newspaper Academic Achievement awards were given to Nicole Wiest, Sharice Adkins, Feather LaRocque, Nadine Brownfield, and John Freeborn.

The Yearbook Academic Pin was given to Tonya Sydnor. The Yearbook Academic Achievement awards were given to Angie Chism, Jenny Perry, Devin Pellerito, Kristin Kersting.

The Art Academic Pin was given to T.J. Pugh. The Art Academic Achievement awards were given to Colene McEntee, Tyler Pugh, Laura Vrabel, and Sarah Fuller.

The Band Academic Pin was given to Dan Neill. The Band Academic Achievement awards were given to Nick Gironde, John Freeborn, Mindy Snyder, Sarah Youngstrom, and Kelly Howard.



Junior John Freeborn accepts the award for outstanding performance given to him by Band Director Mr. Blackmore.

Senior Dan Neill presents Mr. Blackmore with a plaque expressing the bands gratitude while he receives a standing ovation.

Scholarships Given to WCHS Seniors

By Lynn Palmquist

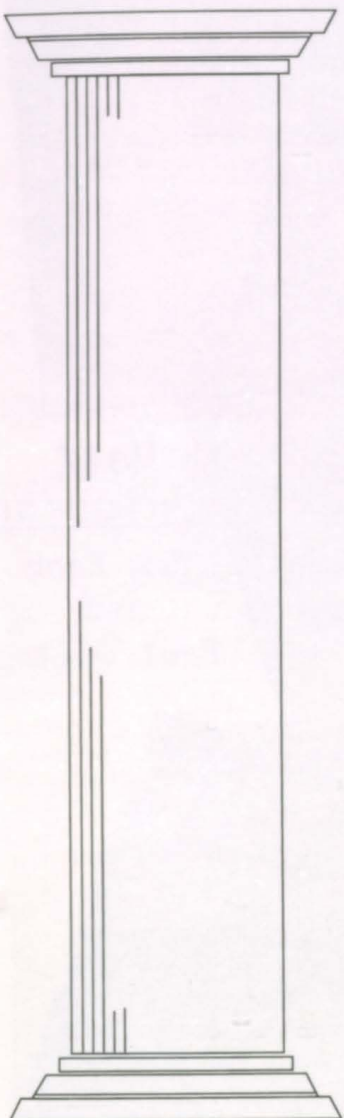
Scholarships were given to Wright City seniors May 21, 1998 at Honors Evening held in the high school gymnasium. The 1998 graduates were the recipients of many local and college scholarships.

College scholarships were awarded to the following: Dan Neill was given a scholarship from East Central College — a Half Departmental Award/Jazz Band; Stephan Rohan received an Associated Landscape Contractors' Scholarship from East Central College; Michael Murray received a University of Missouri — Rolla Achievement Scholarship; David Holiway was given a Southwest Missouri State University Board of Governor's Scholarship; Tisha Wood was awarded the William Woods University Athletic and Leadership Scholarship; University of Missouri gave Tanya Sydnor the Columbia Diversity Award; Nick Gironde received the Columbia's School of Natural Resources — Special Talent Award from the University of Missouri; Chris Lacy

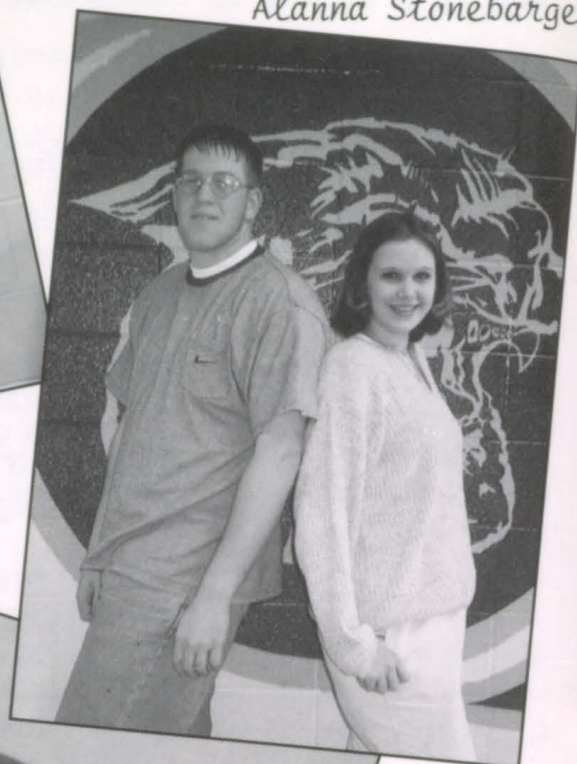
was given the Columbia Curator's Scholar Award from the University of Missouri.

The local scholarships and their recipients: Tanya Sydnor, Amy Rook, and Anna Braun were given the Charleswood Corporation Scholarship; Chris Lacy was given the Emma Jean Ballew Agricultural Scholarship, the Grand Lodge of A.F. & A.M. of Missouri Scholarship, and the Wal-Mart Scholarship; Anna Braun was given the Golden Travel Scholarship; T. J. Pugh was awarded the General Scholarship Fund from Burke's Cabinets; David Holiway and Nick Gironde were given the Innsbrook Corporation Scholarship; the MFA Foundation Scholarship, the Corwin S. Ruge Memorial Scholarship, the St. Louis Post Dispatch Scholarship, and the Shield of Shelter Insurance Company Scholarship were awarded to Tanya Sydnor; Chris Lacey and David Holiway received the MO Higher Education "Bright Flight" Scholarship; the Niemann Tax Service Scholarship was given to Paul Dutton and Aimee

Rettig; the Odd Fellows Home Association, Inc. Scholarship was given to Tisha Wood; Nick Gironde was given the Pauldingville Mason Lodge #11 Scholarship; the Schowengerdt Family Scholarship was given to Chris Lacy and Tanya Sydnor; the Warren County Wildlife Association Scholarship was awarded to Nick Gironde and Adam Williams; David Holiway was given the Wright City Alumni Association Scholarship, the Wright City Chamber of Commerce Scholarship, and the Wright City R-II School Board Scholarship; the Wright City FFA Alumni Scholarship was given to Stephanie Lawson and Alexis Pomeroy; Aimee Pettig, Amy Rook, Nick Gironde, and Tanya Sydnor were given the Wright City Student Council Scholarship; the Wright City Lions Club Scholarship was awarded to Paul Dutton and Nick Gironde; Aimee Pettig received the Wright City Parent Teacher Organization Scholarship and the Wright City Volunteer Fire Department Scholarship.



Best Dressed Nick Girondo
and
Alanna Stonebarger



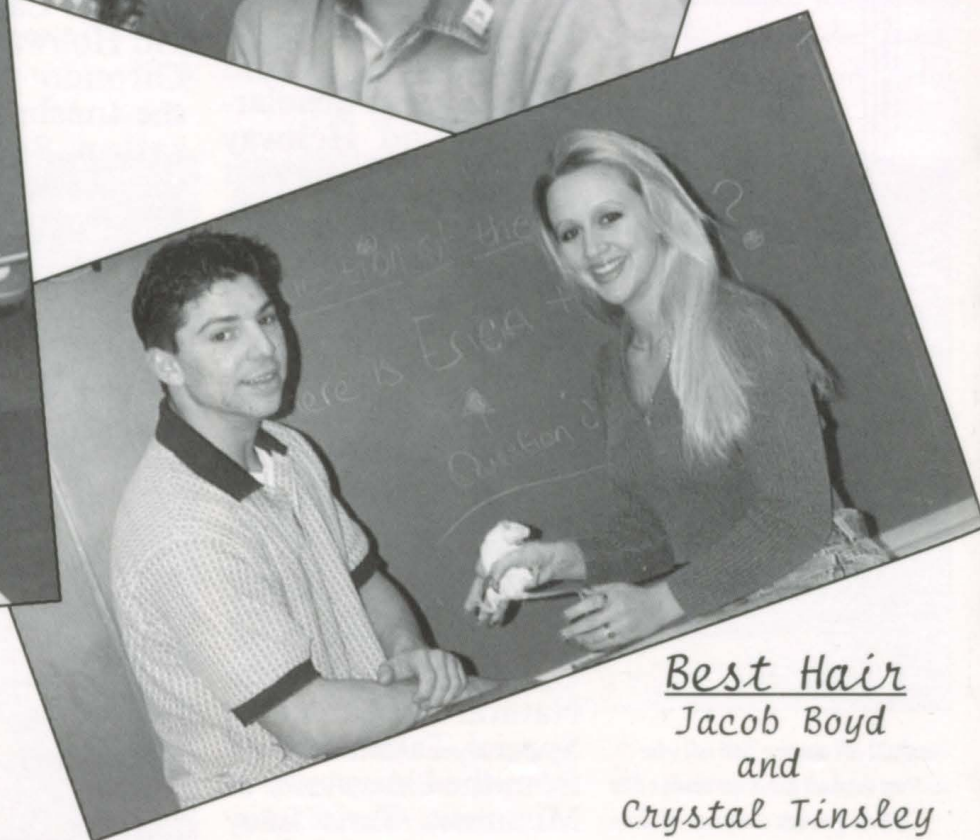
Most Likely
To Succeed

Tonya Sydnor
and
Chris Lacy



Most
Outgoing

Amy Rook
and
Paul Dutton



Most Athletic

Travis Borrego
and
Annie Braun



Best Hair

Jacob Boyd
and
Crystal Tinsley

1998 Seniors



William Adcock
"Bee"



Paul Thomas
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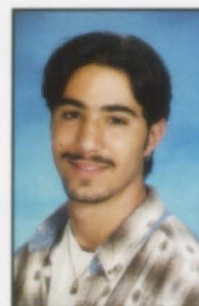
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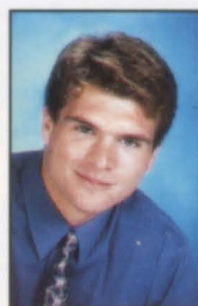
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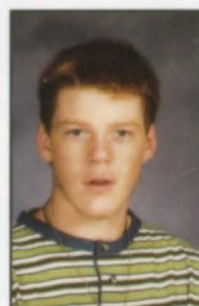
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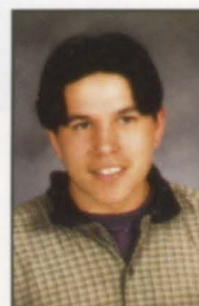
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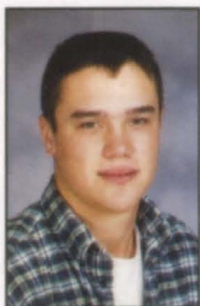
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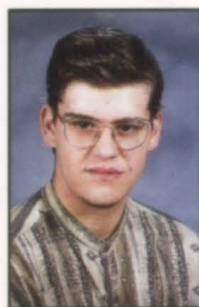
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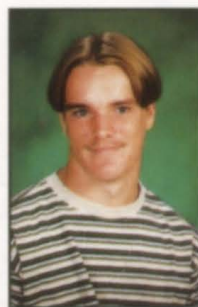
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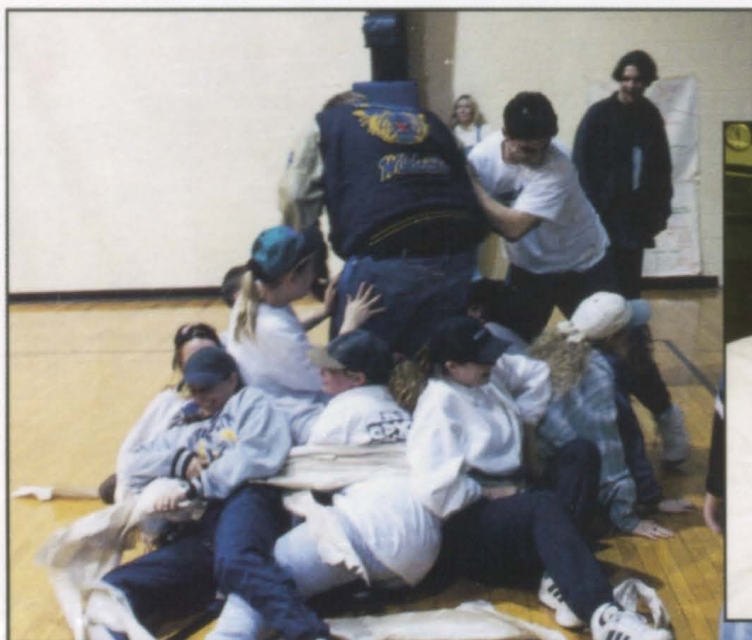
Mintrel L.
Hoffman



David Holiway
"That One Guy"



Bradley House
"Houscat"



WCHS seniors fall to the ground during the annual spirit games.

Seniors Tisha Wood and Adam Williams enjoy their lunch.



Jenya Sydnor



Melany Amber Hubbard



Jason M. Huggins



Buffie J. Jarmin



Jamey Justice



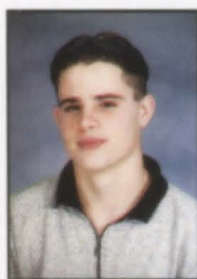
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Jason W. Koperstynski



Natascha Kurzmeyer



Christopher Lacy



Jeremy L. Lancaster



Stephanie J. Lawson



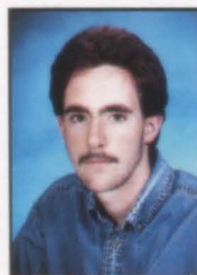
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Daniel James Neill



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Seniors



James Polston

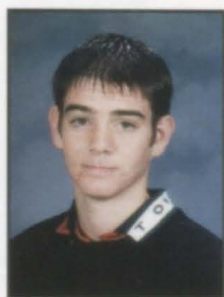




Alexis Pomeroy
"Lexi Girl"



Jaci Pomeroy
"Jax"



Timothy J. Pugh



Christina L. Raines



Candy L. Robison



Stephen P. Rohan



James F. Romans



Amy M. Rook
"Rookie"



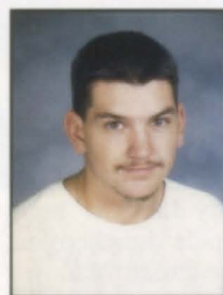
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Brian P. Schulte



Angela J. Scissors



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Alanna Joelen Stoneberger



Tonya Sydner



Crystal Jinsley
"Krittle"



Robert J. Vaughn



Adam N. Williams



Jennifer Williams
"Big Jenn"



Letisha Wood
"Tish"



Paula Marques Zaghetto

Those who cannot remember the
past are condemned to repeat it.

-George Santayana



Seniors

What is your fondest memory of Wright City High School?



My favorite memory is when I made the cheerleading squad my freshman year.

-Senior Angie Scissors



I'll always remember when our baseball team had a 16-6 record.

-Senior Adam Williams



I have really good memories of the time I spent with my friends the summer of 1997.

-Senior Jaci Pomeroy



Megan Eagemann



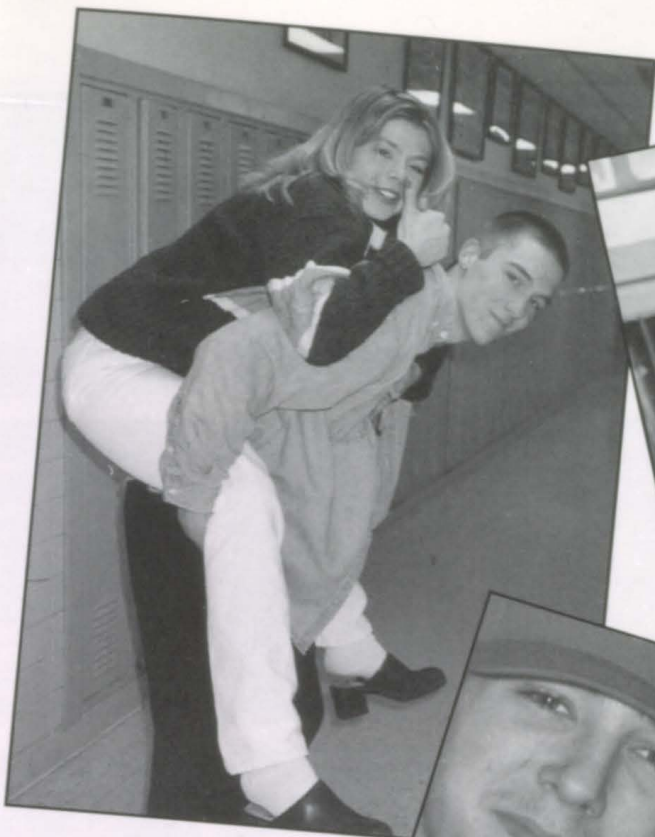
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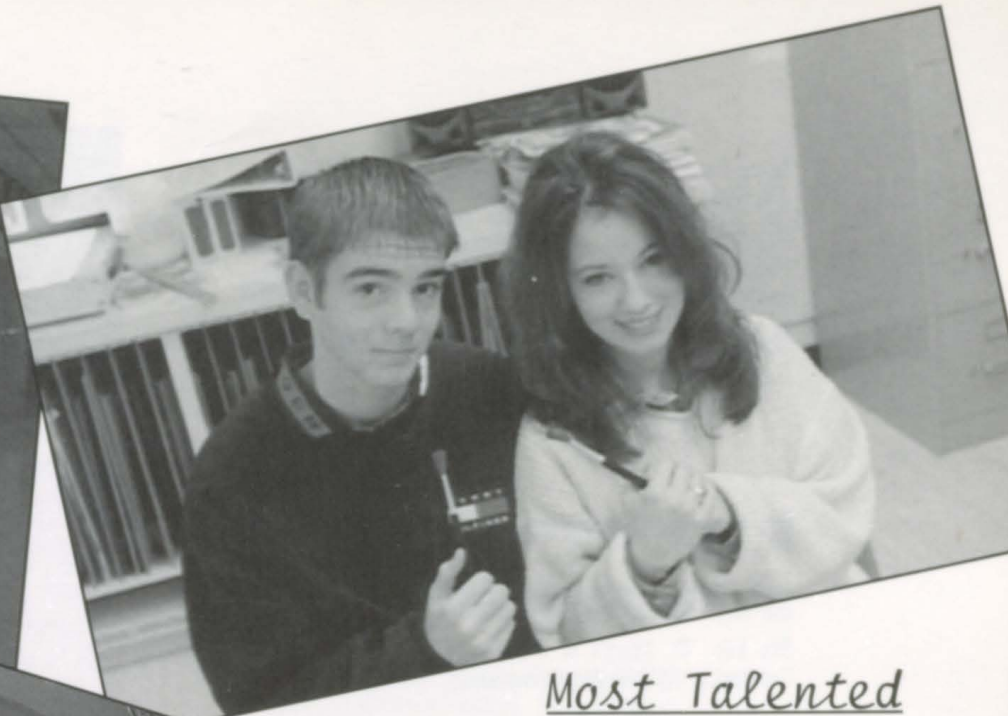
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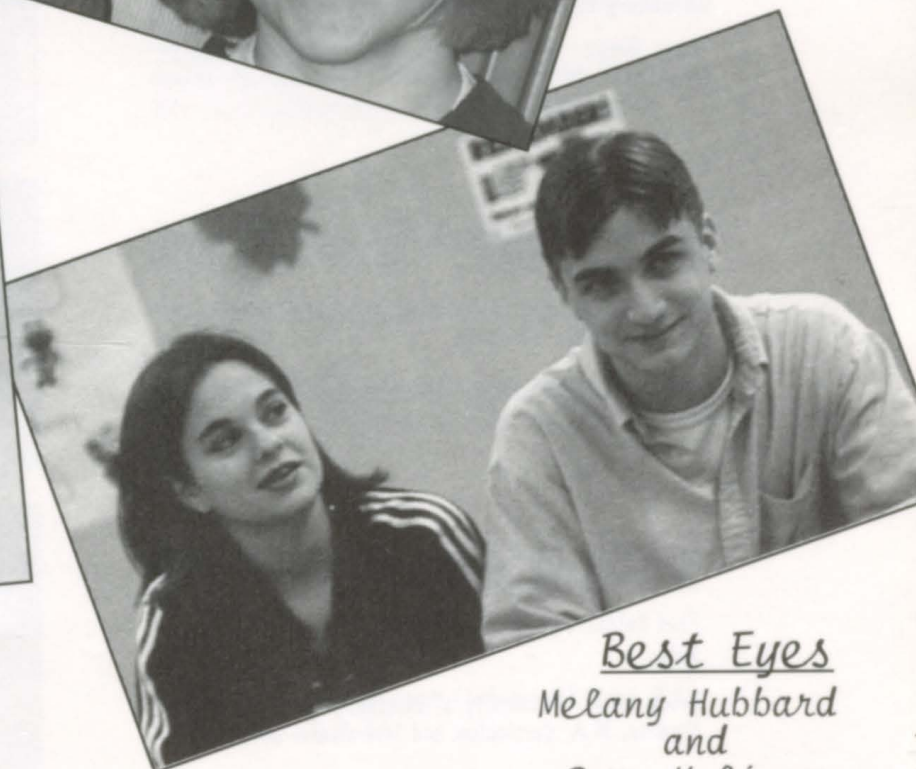
Most Talented
T.J. Pugh
and
Angie Fuller



Best Smile
Aimee Pettig
and
Landon Bond



Most Feared
Jessica Harrison
and
Jim Polston



Best Eyes
Melany Hubbard
and
Dave Holiway

Terry Beer: Eureka College, Eureka, Il. Art, Physical Education, Girls' Basketball Coach, Senior Class Sponsor

Mark Blackmore: University of Missouri, B.S. Music Ed., M.S. Curriculum and Instruction. Music, Marching, Pep, and Concert Band Director.

David Brumfield: Southwest Missouri State University, B.S. Ed, M.A. Art, English.



Dan Charlton: Murray State University, B.S. Business Education.

Janet Clarke: Pittsburg State University, B.M.E. Voice and Instrumental, Choir Director.

Sue Ell: St. Mary's of O'Fallon, B.S. Nursing, St. Louis University. RN, Health Occupations.



Janet Freeman: Eastern Illinois University, B.S. Ed. English, UM-St. Louis, M.S. Ed. Guidance and Counseling, Student Council sponsor.

Amy Ferguson: Canton College of Technology, AAS, University Georgia Athens, BSA, Georgia Southern University- Statesboro, CBAE. Agriculture, FFA.

Jamie Ferguson: Teaching Aide.



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Robyn Gray: Southeast Missouri State University, B.S. Secondary Ed. Mathematics, Junior Class Sponsor.

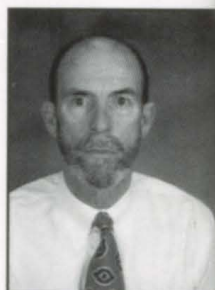
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Robert Hanna: UM-Columbia, B.S. Ed. Spanish Club, Sophomore Class Sponsor.

Betty Hawley: Kent State University, Maryville University, Alternative Education.

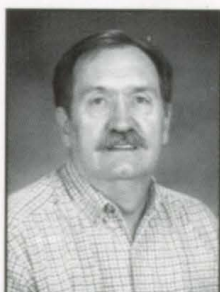
Brian Hill: Indiana State University, B.S. Athletic Director.



Helene Hodak: Southeast Missouri State, B.S. Secondary Ed., Journalism/Publications Advisor.

Fred Keidel: Pittsburg State University, B.S. Industrial Arts.

Frank Lake: University of Missouri, B.S. Ed. Social Studies, M.A. Curriculum and Instructional Ed.





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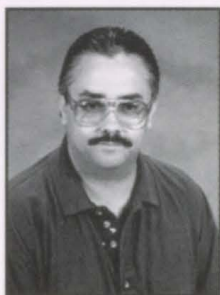
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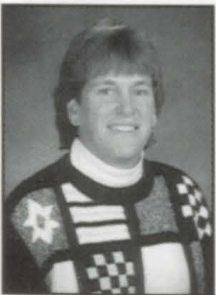
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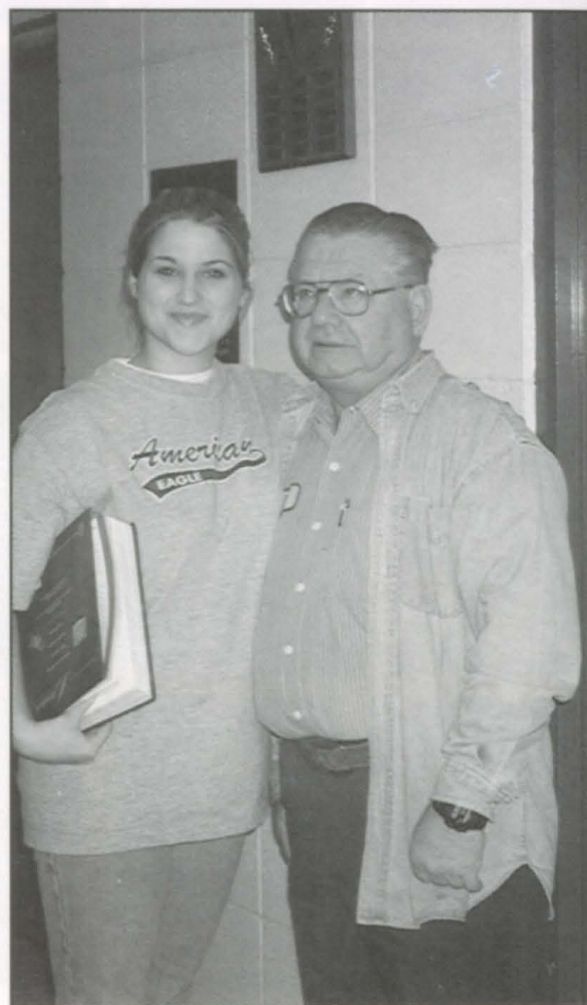


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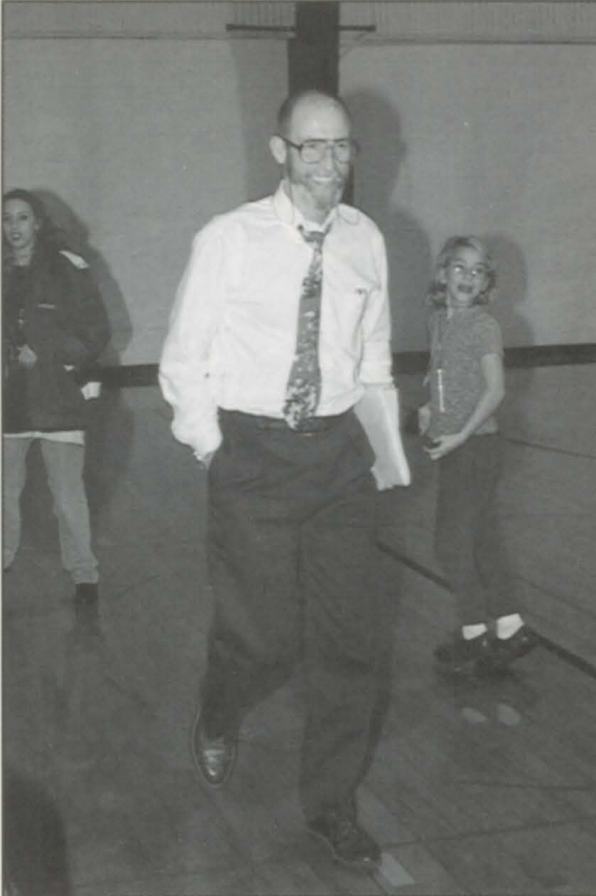
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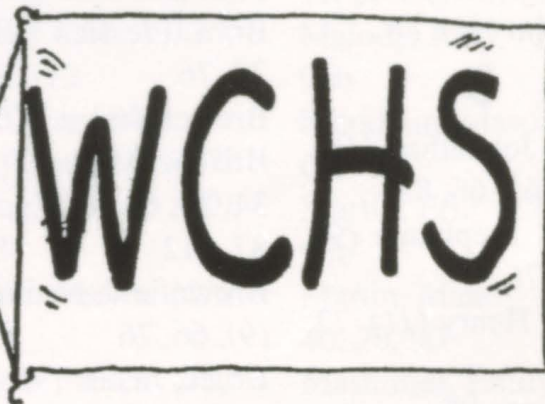
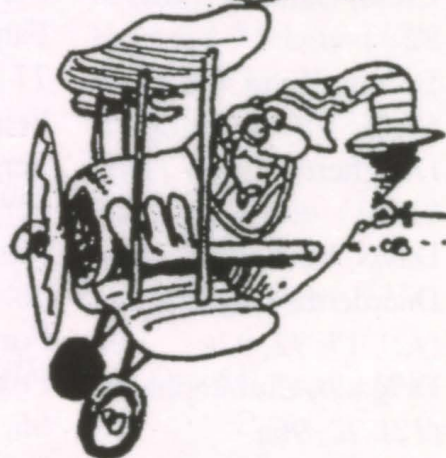
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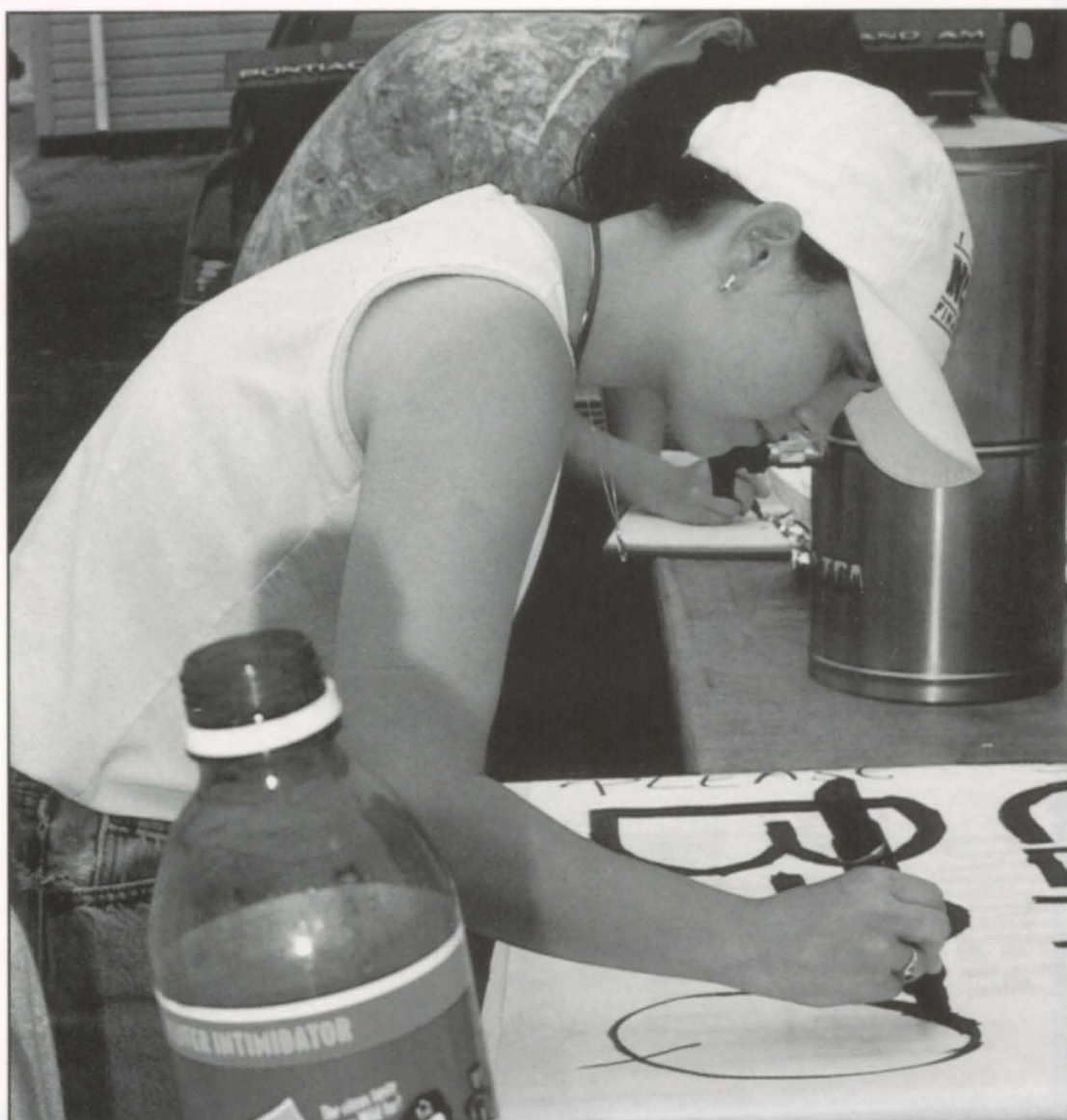
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Secretary, Billie Arnett, works hard filling out cards and notes for the students on Valentines Day



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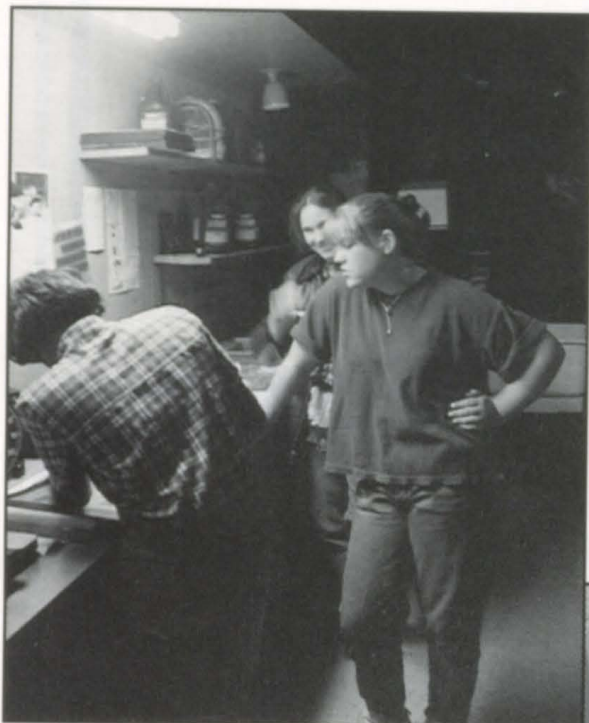


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Superintendent Ron Kettler tosses Nick Gironde's tassel as a sign of an official WCHS graduate.

Graduation 1998

By Becky Novelli

May 24th may have been the end of their high school years, but it also marked the beginning of futures full of promise and success for the Graduating Class of 1998.

Scott Harris, member of the Wright City High School graduating class of 1988 gave the commencement address.

He is currently the assistant boy's basketball coach. He spoke to the seniors about the importance of "seizing the day" and making the most of their opportunities. He emphasized how everything changes when you graduate and how you need to be prepared for all of the challenges that life gives you.

Amy Rook, Senior Class President, also spoke at graduation. She talked about their many accomplishments, and what has changed and what has stayed the same through the

years since kindergarten.

Tonya Sydnor was the Salutatorian. Her speech about the past four years of high school was given prior to Chris Lacy's speech as Valedictorian. Lacy spoke about where the graduates are going after high school and the many opportunities their futures will hold.

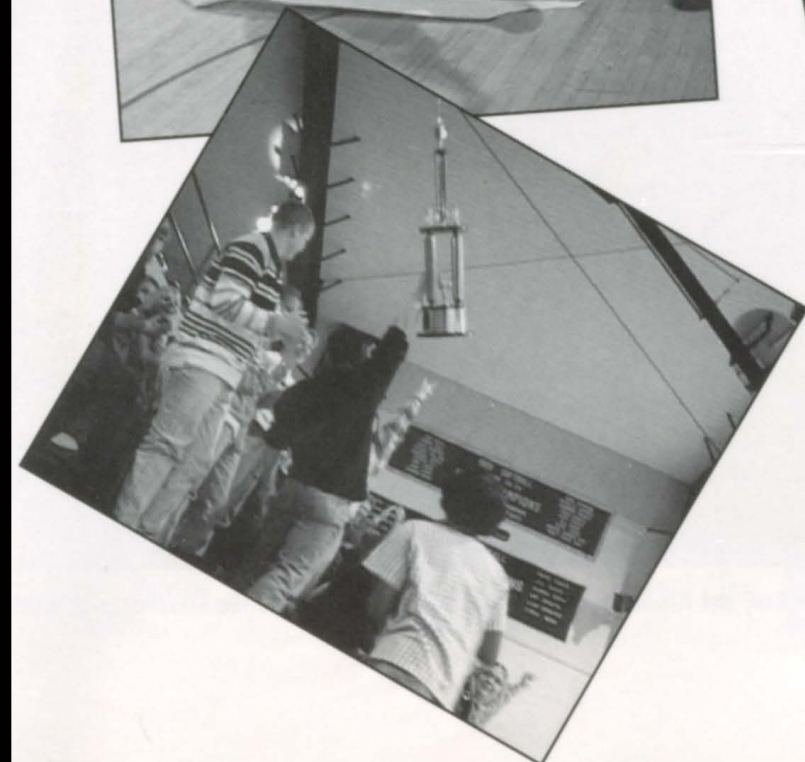
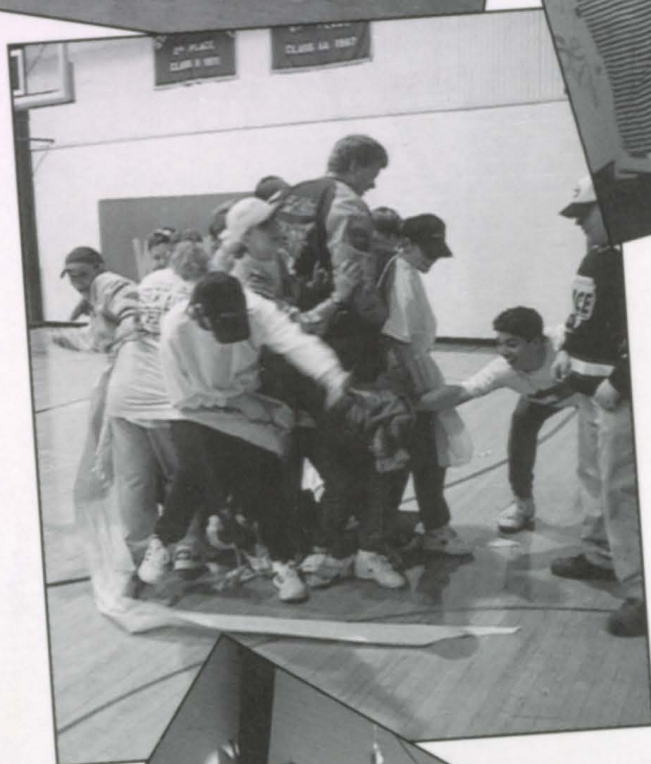
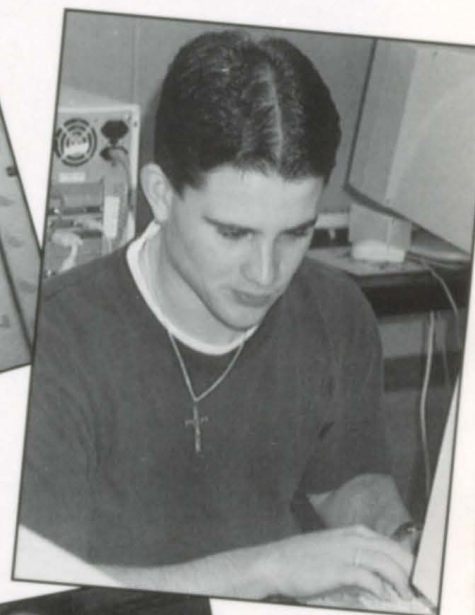
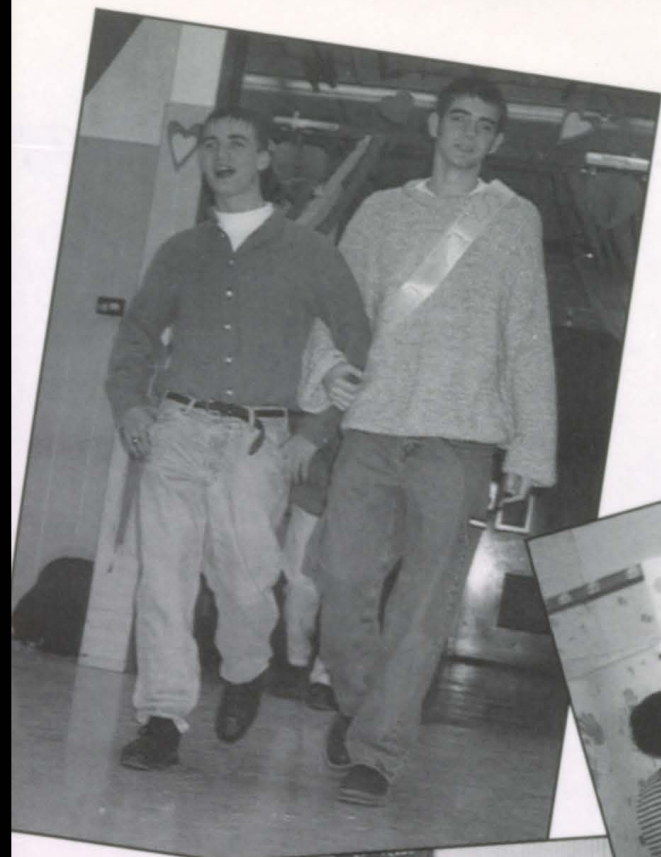
Congratulations to the graduating Class of 1998!!

President of the senior class, Amy Rook, gives a speech on how the seniors have changed over the years since kindergarten.



'98 SENIORS





Dreams Come True At WCHS Prom

By Colene McEntee

May 9th was a magical night for WCHS juniors and seniors to make memories that would last a lifetime. It was the night of the 1998 junior/senior prom.

This year, like years before, prom was held at the Holiday Inn-Wentzville from 8 p.m.-12 a.m. The theme, "Where Dreams Come True", was accompanied by colors of blue, white, silver, and some gold to create a dreamy, celestial theme for the attendants. Music was provided by Cruiser D.J., thanks to Scott Harris, and a coat & purse check at the door was made possible by WCHS club Youth Alive.

Five senior boys and five senior girls were cho-

sen by their classmates the week before prom, to be on the 1998 prom court. Each candidate chose a junior escort to accompany them on the court. At the door, prom attendants voted for their choice of king and queen. Later, at 10:30 p.m., Chris Lacy and Aimee Pettig were announced as the 1998 prom king and queen. They were crowned by the 1997 prom king and queen Adam Meyer and Kati Boyd.

After the coronation Lacy and Pettig and the rest of the 1998 court danced to "Somewhere Out There" from the Disney "Aladdin" soundtrack.

Both Lacy and Pettig felt extremely honored to be crowned on

their senior year prom night. Pettig commented, "I was totally surprised. It made me feel proud because my fellow peers had to vote for me."

The full 1998 King and Queen Prom court was as follows:

King Candidates: Jacob Boyd, escorted by Andrea Thornton; Chris Lacy, escorted by Kristine Dorn; Nicholas Gironde, escorted by Lilly Fox; T.J. Pugh, escorted by Becky Novelli; and Adam Williams, escorted by Leahan Ostmann

Queen Candidates: Angie Fuller, escorted by Mark Christopher; Aimee Pettig, escorted by James Maestas; Alexis Pomeroy, escorted by Damon Tinsley; Tonya Sydnor, escorted by David Chilson;

and Crystal Tinsley, escorted by Wendell Craig.

The junior class was responsible for raising all funds for prom and for putting it all together. Robyn Gray, junior class sponsor, was very pleased with how everything went. "The evening ran smoothly and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves. I had several compliments from students about how much fun they had," she said.

The WCHS junior and senior classes would like to thank Economy, Holiday Inn-Wentzville, Robyn Gray, David Granna, Karen Sackheim, Janet Freeman, Terry Beer, Richard Tinsley, and the 1998 prom committee for working hard this year to make prom a success.

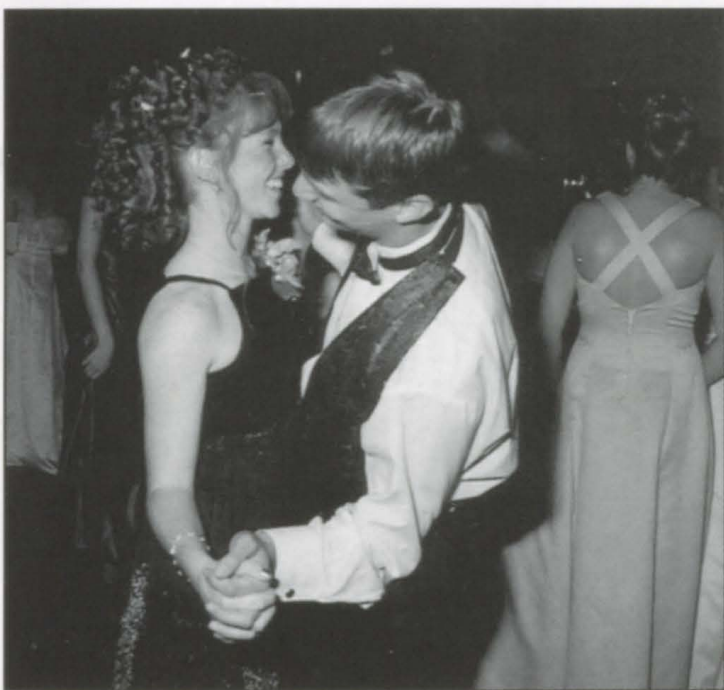


The honor of being Prom King and Queen were given seniors Chris Lacy and Aimee Pettig. The decision was made by fellow classmates at WCHS.



Seniors Chris Lacy and Aimee Pettig dreams came true when they were announced as Prom King and Queen.

Senior Eric Creech and sophomore Sharice Adkins dancing the night away to a slow song.



Senior Dave Hollway and date freshman Patricia Gerland enjoy their evening.

Several WCHS students dance to the music supplied by Scott "The Cruiser" Harris.



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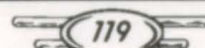
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