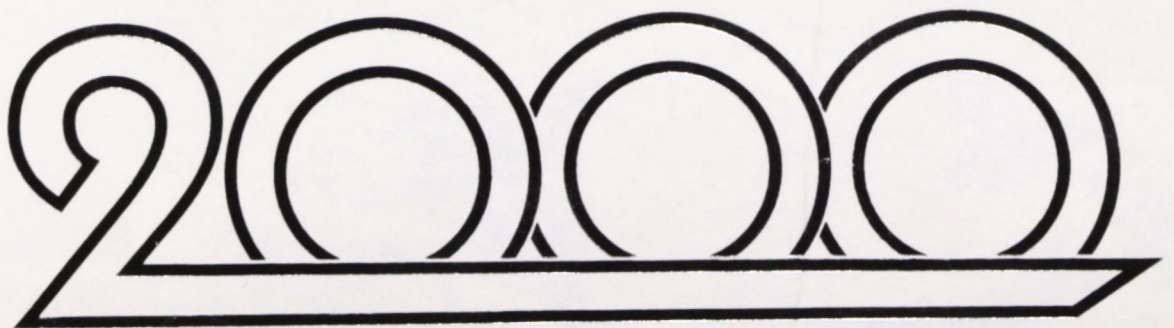
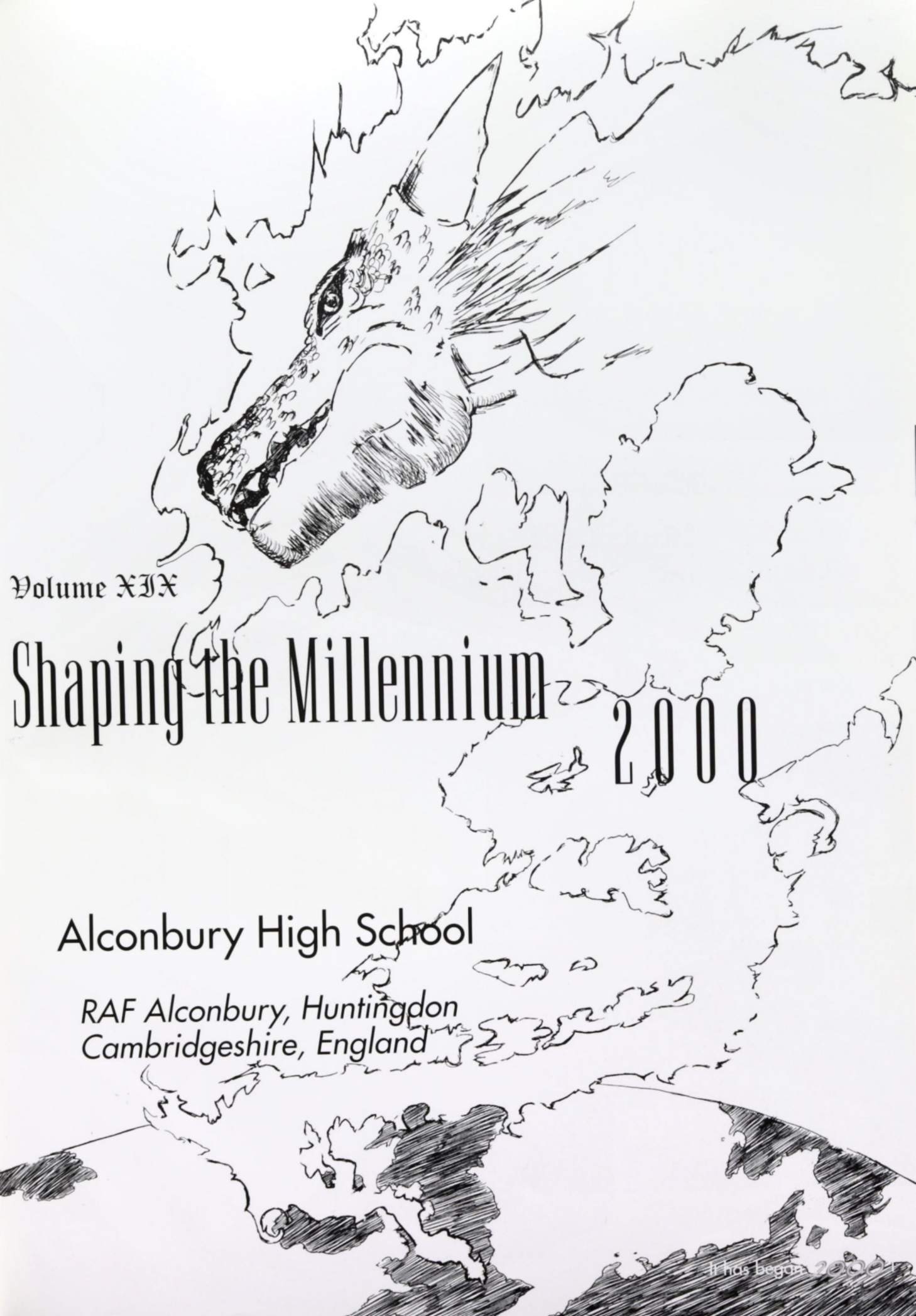




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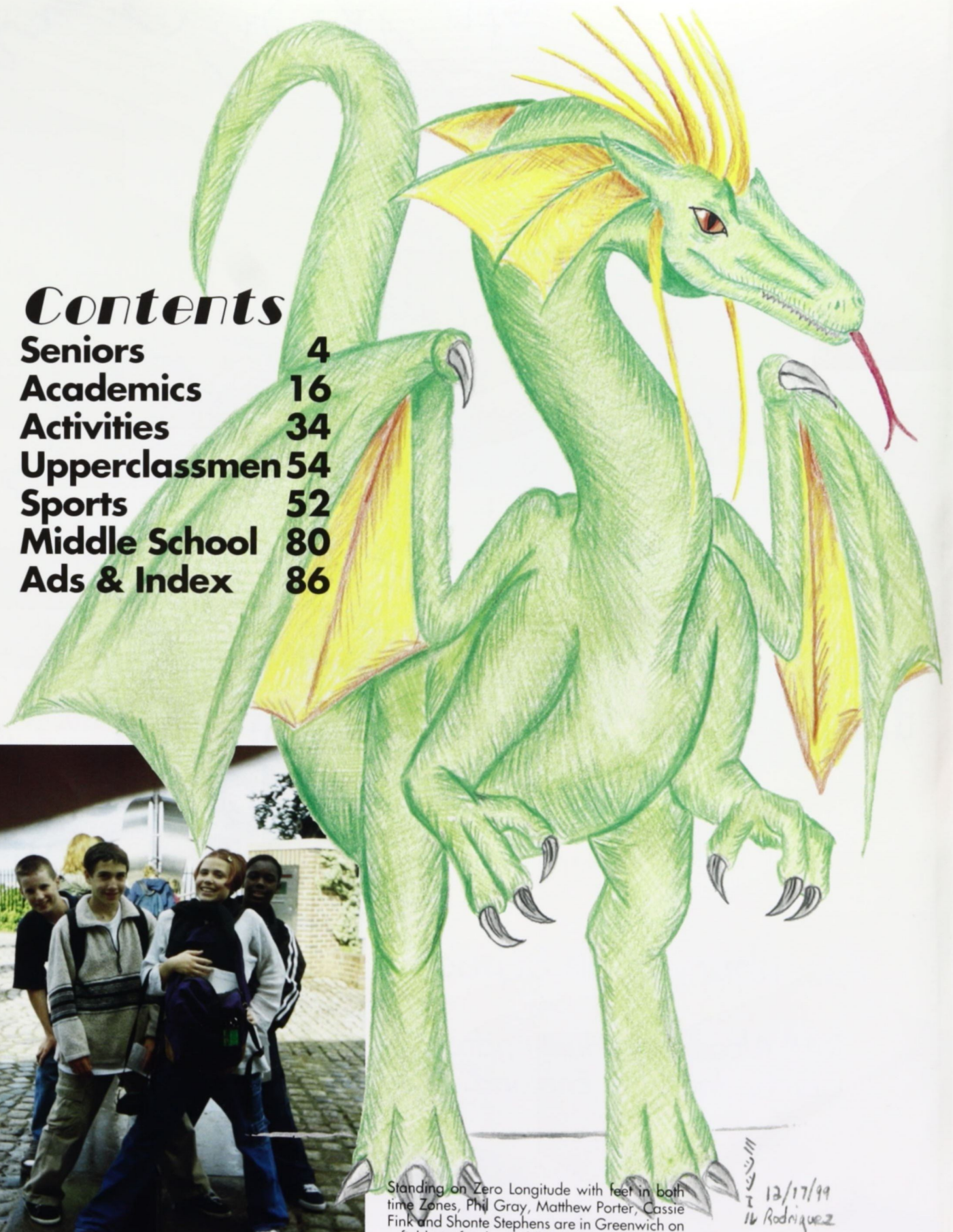
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It has begun 2000!

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Standing on Zero Longitude with feet in both time Zones, Phil Gray, Matthew Porter, Cassie Fink and Shonte Stephens are in Greenwich on a field trip for the middle school.

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Freshman Jeff Lambert uses the photocopier in the office for history.

Seniors Liara Hammond and Kayla Hudson at the Homecoming Dance.



Quarterback Tommy Roy plunges over the head of a Rota Admiral to score a touchdown.



As we step into the New Millennium, these students are the future on which our ultimate survival will depend. This is where they leave all the Myths behind to embrace the Realities of *Tomorrow*



Freshman Paul Taggart conducts the audience in an ode to Beethoven, Dragons will Wins.

Drummer Shonte Stephens is intense on the beat at the Homecoming football game.

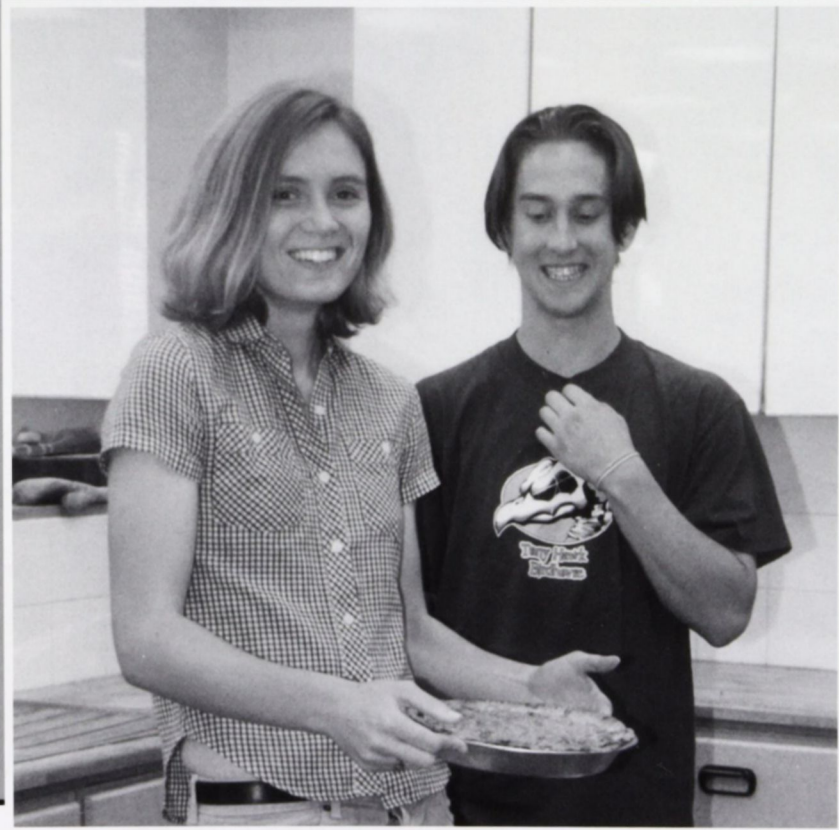


Kathy Fifield leads the Senior Skit.



Freshmen Siobhan Almond and Sara Hutton work out a problem in algebra class.

2000 *Seniors*



The Senior Class pose for the traditional picture on the stairs.

Sarah Townley-Wren and Ivan Pratt display their apple pies that they made in Home Economics.

Seniors: Front Row; Liara Hammond, Kamuela Bean, Jacqueline Safreed, Ellis Reynolds, Chris Zimmer, Brian Hardin. Second Row; Tunisa Mercer-Bey, Jennifer Kay,

Rebecca Hensley, Kathy Fifield, Lisa Bixler, Kayla Hudson, Lisa Gutowski, Jessica Arrieta, Sheldon Horne, Emma Humbert. Back Row; Sarah Townley-Wren, Timothy Konecny,

Christian Block, Daniel Grady, Joe Costaldo, Bryan Meeder, Josh Tucker, James Groff, Ivan Pratt, Leland Lambert.



Kayla Hudson and Jacqueline Safreed try to impress the judges with their baking skills in Home Economics.



All dressed up for toga day are Liara Hammond, Kayla Hudson, Lisa Bixler and Jennifer Kay.



Jessica A. Arrieta

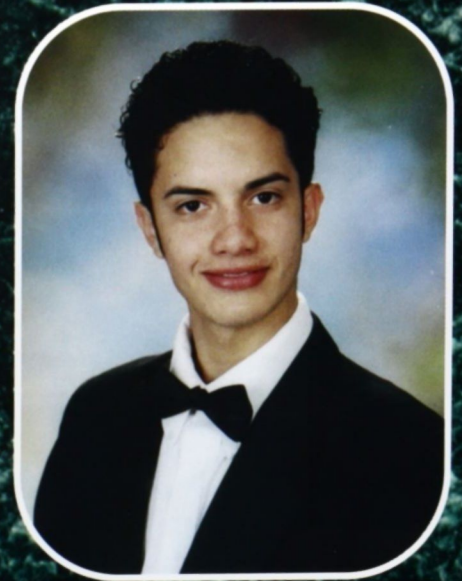
"One person travels to the moon, another aims for the sun, a third never gets away. Don't be the third."

Basketball 9,10; Football Manager 9; Freshman Class President, Junior Class Treasurer, Sophomore Class Vice-President; Tennis 10-11

Kamuela A. Bean

"Live your own life, no one else's."

Cross Country 9-12; Track 9-12; Wrestling 9-10,12.



Joe Castaldo

"Get at me dog!"

Baseball 11-12; Basketball 9, Honorable Mention 11,12; Football 12.

Kathy L. Fifield

"Live each day as if it were your last."

Cheerleader 9-10; Senior Vice-President; Soccer 11-12; Sophomore Secretary; Speech & Drama Festival 10, Student Council Parliamentarian 11.



Lisa J. Gutowski

"Power is being told you are not loved, and not being destroyed by it." -Lydia Evans (Madonna)

Basketball 9-12, Captain 11; Football Manager 9; Homecoming Princess 11 & Queen 12; Softball 9-10; Sophomore Representative; Volleyball 10-12.

Liara V. Hammond

"You have to get up and do something to become somebody in life!"

Basketball 11; Broadway Review 10; French Club 10; Multi-Cultural Club 11; Prom Committee 11; Soccer 11; Softball Manager 10.





Lisa A. Bixler

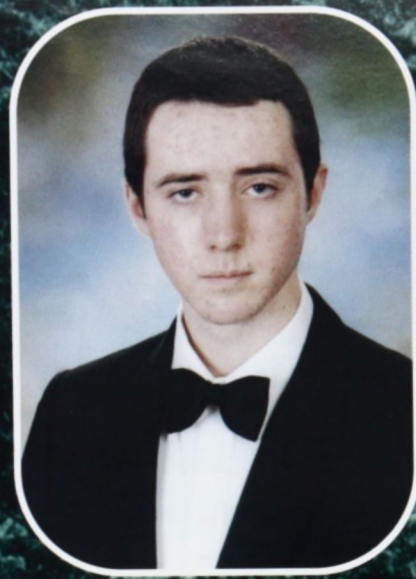
"Rake havoc and let loose the dogs of war." William Shakespeare

Create a Home 10-11; Hunger Awareness 9-11; Los Amigos 11; National Art Honor Society 11-12; Softball 9-12; Volleyball 9, 12; Wranglers Cheer Squad 9-11.

Christian D. Block

"Do nothing out of selfish, ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interest of others." -Philippians 2:3-4

Basketball Manager 11; Football 11-12; Junior Class Secretary; Senior Class President.



Daniel K. Grady

James A. Groff

"Whatever you have in life, make the best out of it."

Football 10-12; Soccer 11; Track 9-10,12; Wrestling 10-12.

Brian M. Hardin

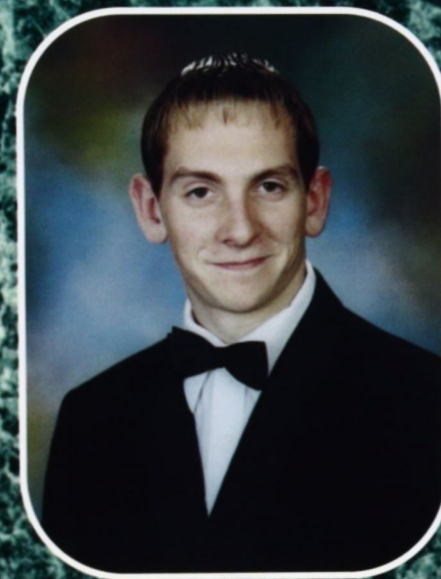
"Courage is not defined by those who fought and did not fall, but those who fought, fell, and rose again."

DOE 9-12; Football 11-12; NHS 11-12; NJHS 9-10; Soccer 9-12; Wrestling 11-12

Rebecca L. Hensley

"Be glad of life because it gives you the chance to love, work, play, and to look up at the stars."

Basketball Manager 10; Cheerleader 11-12; Soccer 11; Volleyball 11.





Jessica A. Arrieta



Lisa A. Bixler



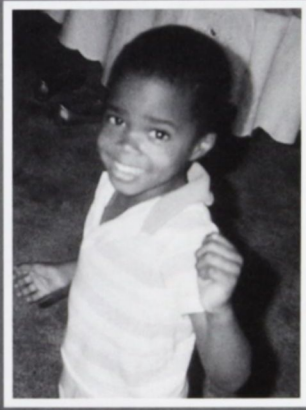
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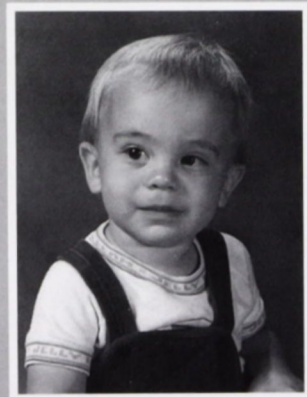
Sheldon J. Horne



Kayla M. Hudson



Emma M. Humbert



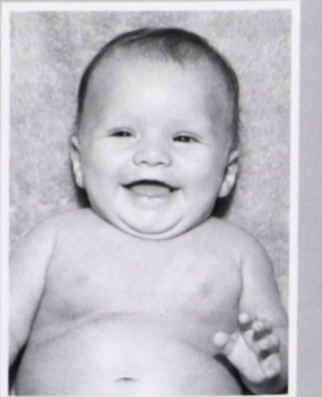
Bryan J. Meeder



Tunisa Mercer-Bey



Ivan C. Pratt



Ellis B. Reynolds



James A. Groff



Lisa J. Gutowski



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Brian M. Hardin



Jennifer L. Kay



T.K.



Joe Castaldo



Leland R. Lambert



Jacqueline M. Safreed



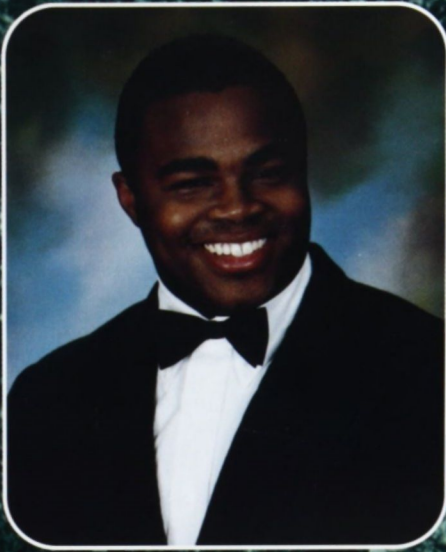
Sarah Townley-Wren



Joshua S. Tucker



Christopher W. Zimmer



Sheldon J. Horne

Some people say there is "pride before the fall" but what they don't realize is that the pride is what makes sure I get back up!

Class Pres. 9,11; Football 9-12; Freshman SAC Rep.; Homecoming Prince 11; Prom Prince 11; Student Body President 12; Track 9.



Kayla M. Hudson

Don't waste life by being sad, just relax and be happy.

Cheerleader 9,10,12; Soccer 10; Softball 9,11.



Emma M. Humbert

If you love something, let it go. If it comes back to you, it's yours. If it doesn't, it never was.

Basketball 10; Cheerleader 9,10; Multi-Cultural Club; Treasurer, FHA and FTA 10; Softball 11.

Bryan J. Meeder

"Victory at all costs, victory in spite of all terrors; victory no matter how long and how hard the road may be; for without victory, there is no survival."

Football 12; Soccer 9-12; Tennis 9-11.

Tunisa Mercer-Bey

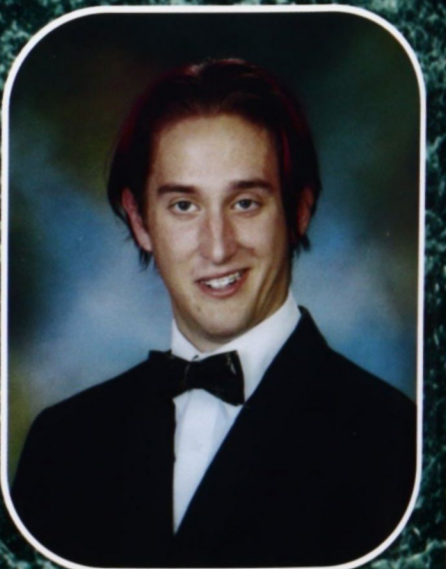
A friend is someone who understands your past, believes in your future, and accepts you today, just the way you are!

Chorus 11-12; Basketball 9; Cross Country 9; Track and field 10.

Ivan C. Pratt

When your stars are baked, and your rivers fly, do you ever believe you were stuck in the sky.

Baseball 10.





Jennifer L. Kay

If anyone should ask me to give a reason why I loved my friend, there is only one answer; "because she was she and I was I."

Chorus 9-12; Creative Connections 11; FHC-FTC 11; Multi-Cultural Club Vice President 11; Soccer 11; Student Council 12



Timothy D. Konecny

Take life as it comes, and worry about tomorrow when it gets here. Then, take action as it is needed.

Basketball Manager 12; Football 12; Track 9-12.



Leland R. Lambert

We are born to make manifest the glory of God that is within us. It's not just some of us, it's in everyone.

Brain bowl 12; BSA 9,12; FTA 10,11; Multi culture Club 10,11; Student Council 12.

Ellis B. Reynolds

"Hey Shorty."

Football 12; Track 9-11; Wrestling 10-12.

Jacqueline M. Safreed

"A good traveller has no fixed plans and is not intent on arriving."

MUN 11; NHS 12; Soccer 10-12; Tennis 11,12.

Sarah Townely-Wren

"The secret of health is not to mourn for the past, worry about the future, or anticipate troubles, but to live wisely and earnestly for the present."

Cross Country 9,10,12; Track & Field 9-12.



Sheldon Horne breaks it down to some Busta Rythms at the Notting Hill Carnival '99.

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Walking home from school is Emma Humbert, her Sophomore year.



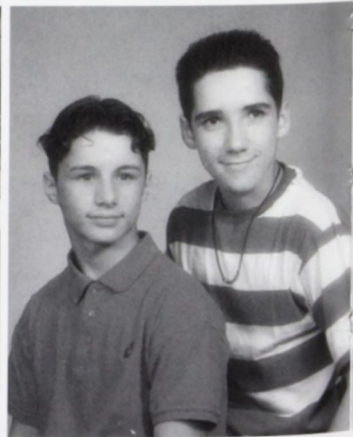
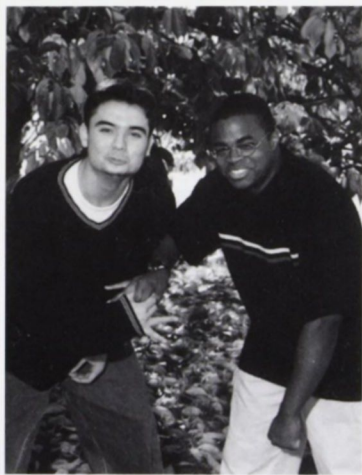
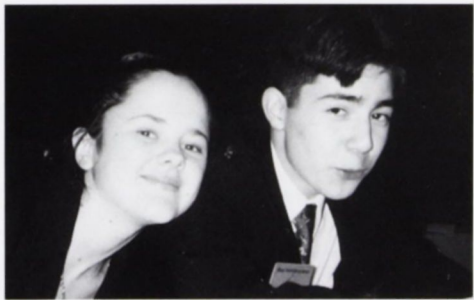
Along with other Freshmen friends, Jessica Arrietta, Emma Humbert, Kathy Fifield, and Lisa Gutowski attend their first Homecoming.

Lisa Gutowski and Kayla Hudson prepare for another volleyball memory.

Brian Hardin, Chris Zimmer, Bryan Meeder, Chris Talbott and Josh Tucker looking good at Graduation '99 ... one year left!

At M.U.S.S., Junior Lisa Gutowski and Chris Zimmer appear to know what they are doing.

Joe Costaldo and Sheldon Horne pose in memory of friend Izzy!



Freshmen, TK and Elis Reynolds, such cuties!

Tunisa Mercer-Bey and Becki Hensley sing in harmony at the Christmas concert, Junior year.

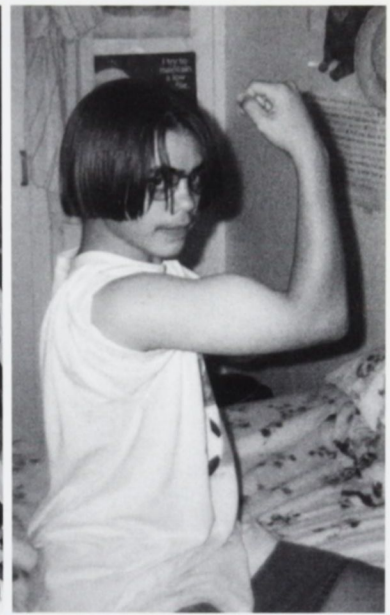
Jessica Arrieta, a carefree Freshman of '96.



must we grow up?

Kathy Fifield and Becki Hensley got all done up for a friends photo as Juniors.

"Strong like bull," Bryan Meeder in Eighth grade.



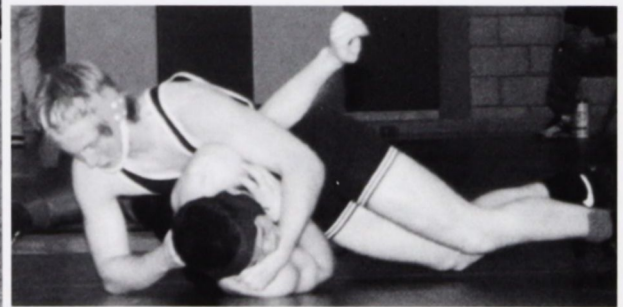
Superstar Kamuela Bean is prepared to "run into the next millennium!"

Jessica Arrieta, Emma Humbert and Lydia Evans representing the Juniors at Homecoming, dancing to pop group Five.

Stopping for a photo in the hallway; Liara Hammond, Jennifer Kay, and Jacqueline Safreed.

Look at those little legs, Hardin in 7th grade!

TK makes a picturesque scene of the Guatalupe! Leland Lambert enjoying being a Sophomore!



Hey Sarah! Miss Townely-Wren just finished her only Cross Country race Senior year.

James Groff shows his 2000 power by wrestling.

Josh Tucker and good friend Mike O'Reilly were being goofy Freshman in Anthony's Pizza.

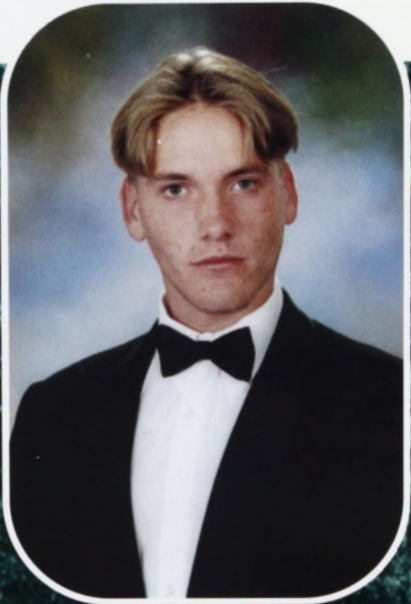
Christian Block had Humanities Greek Architecture all figured out as a Sophomore.



Josh Tucker

My boss is a Carpenter

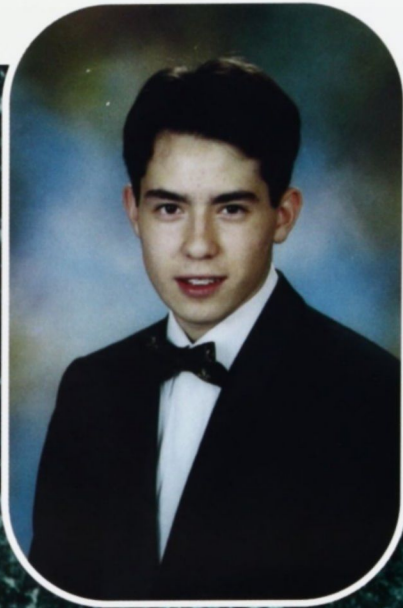
DOE 9-12; Football 11-12, All Conference punter & kicker, Leadership award, MVP lineman 12; MUN 9-12; Soccer 9-12; Tennis 9-10.



Chris Zimmer

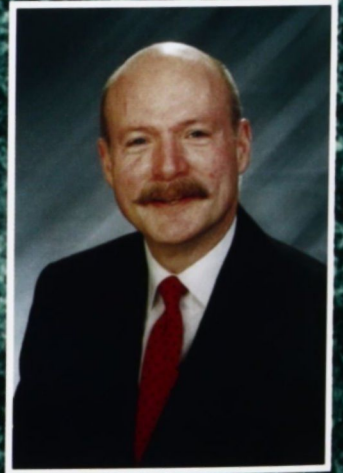
Perfection is a quality that knows no boundary.

DOE 9-12; Football 11-12; Junior Vice President; Model Senate 11; MUN 12; NHS 10-12; Vice President 12; Soccer 9-12; Tennis 9-10.



Mr. Dennis Nail
Sponsor

Ms. Sally Jones
Sponsor



Class Officers: Treasurer Leland Lambert, Secretary Kamuela Bean, President

Christian Block, Representative Jennifer Kay, Vice President Kathy Fifield.



Superlatives 2000!

Most Likely To Succeed: Can you pay my bills? Yes! Jacqueline Safreed, Christian Block, and Chris Zimmer know they can, as they do cooperative work in the conference room.



Best Personality/Dressed: "Nice threads, my Prince!" ... "Why, thank you, Princess!". Lisa Gutowski and Sheldon Horne are so congenial in fashion mode!



Most Athletic: Track Super Star Sarah Townley-Wren with Alconbury sports' hero Brian Hardin ... Micheal Owen eat your heart out!!

Most Talented: What a beautiful voice! Tunisa Mercer-Bey sings a pop classic, as Timothy Konecny sketches another masterpiece.

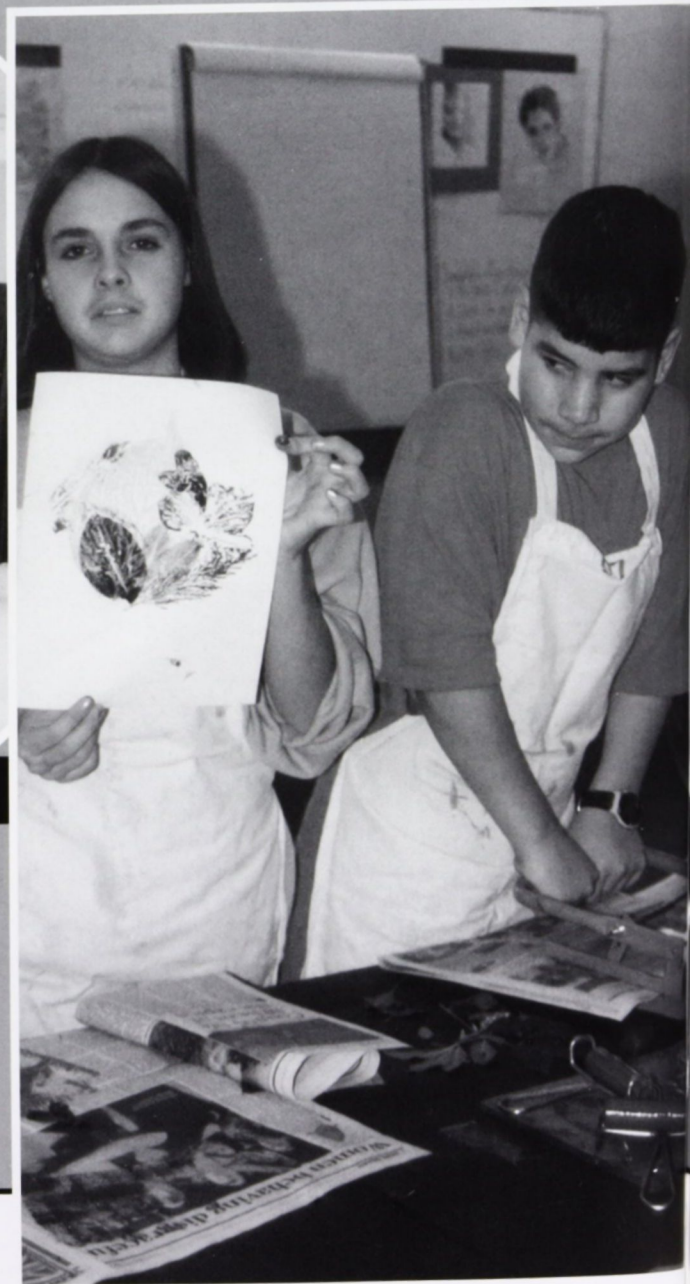
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Academics



In Health class, Freshman Angela Elliott gets ready to bring her mannequin back to life.

Chonie Maltby and Trey Martin make leaf prints in seventh grade art.

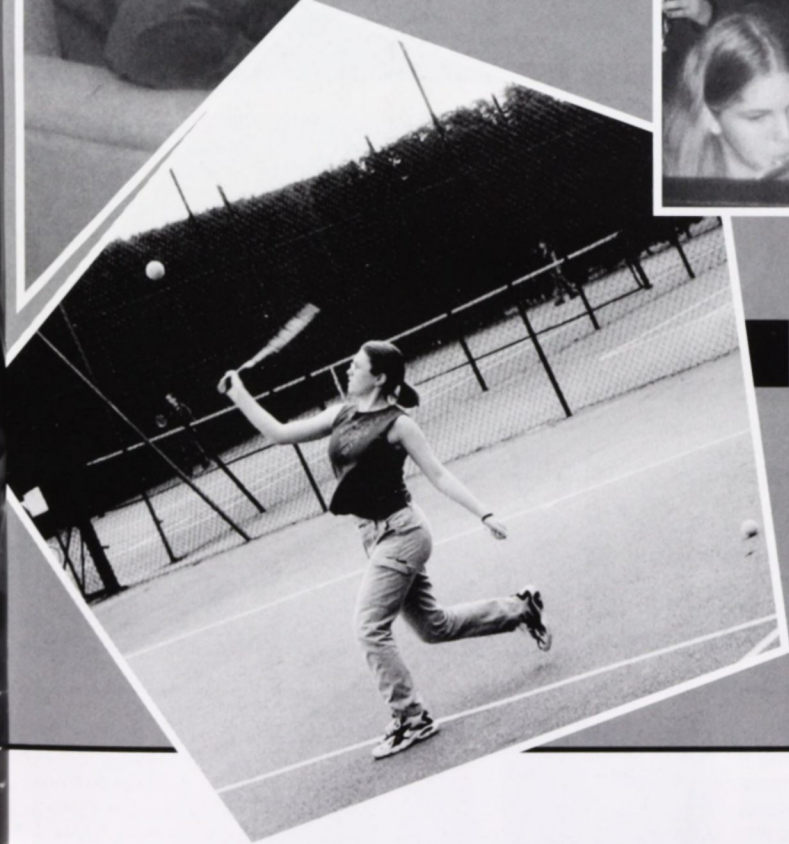


At the London Central mini MUN, junior Brittany Carbon and sophomore Kevin Wallior combine resolutions.



Clarinets, Kayla Hudson and Jessica Arrieta, saxophones Cassie Fink, Tracy Seese, Laneisha Motley and Kristen Hudson entertain the crowd at the homecoming pep rally for Band.

Freshman Bridget Gutshall plays tennis during a routine PE trip to the tennis courts.



English

In Honors English 11, James Meyer holds Thoreau's house, which he built for a book project.

Mr. Tom Rowe talks with his ninth grade class about the novel.



Course: Honors English 10 and 11

Teacher: Ms. Sharon Curran

"Most students find classic novels are really quite good to read and talk about with their classmates."

Course: English 10 and English 11

Teacher: Ms. Louella Hardin

"Things that my classes like the most are novel projects, and essays."

Course: Middle School English, AP English

Teacher: Mr. Dennis Nail

"The lessons I teach that I think the students most enjoy are; *The Diary of Anne Frank*, *Roots*, *Mythology*, and *Roman Comedy*."

Course: English 9, Honors English 9, Reading 7, Reading 8, and English 12

Teacher: Thomas Rowe

"There are so many lessons that my students enjoy. Where to begin? *Modesty forbids*."



Sophomore James Christian explains the model of a Roman bridge and road to the class for his *Julius Caesar* project.

As part of a project, Gemma Breedlove, Kathy Gasque and Laura Wake model the future, present and past Roman costumes in Honors English 10.

"Being in Honors English has given me a big challenge to write my hardest on writings and reports. I like this class because I learn important skills for writing and the future."
Laura Wake 10



In Honors English, I've read some books of great impact that reflect a writer's emotions and environment. Some day I'd like to be a writer."
Nicole Horne 11

Laura Whiteside and Laura Wake work on their graphs in the computer lab for Mr. Gibb's Geometry class.



Mathematics

Courses: Algebra I and II, AP Calculus

Teacher: Mr. Bill Gay

"They made predictions on how many colors might show up in an M&M box."

Courses: Geometry, Algebra II, Math Analysis

Teacher: Mr. Eddie Gibb

"Kids like to work together to solve world problems. You could keep 'em going eight hours."

Courses: Math 7, Intro to Algebra, Algebra I

Teacher: Ms. Vicki Knox

"My seventh graders love ratio, percent and proportion, but the most fun thing is Extended Exploration where they draw diagrams and write an explanation."

Courses: Pre-Algebra 7 & 8, Algebra 1

Teacher: Frank Hardin

"When students really feel they know something well, they can't wait to show it. Any lesson where student have obtained mastery is one they enjoy. They especially like working together on Tangrams."

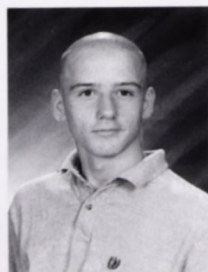


Eighth Grader Cassie Fink gets help from Mr. Frank Hardin with her Algebra homework.

Freshman Nolan Sutton calculates the work for Decimal Operations in Introduction to Algebra.

"Algebra II is not only challenging, it's fun. I also have ambitions to become an architect or engineer, so this class is essential to my future."

Andrew Concilio 10



"My favorite class would have to be Calculus. I don't exactly like one thing more than another, but the struggle to obtain the correct answer is fun."

James Meyer 11



In British Culture, seventh graders Betsy Howe and Alex Dueitch make a time line for the Roman to Middle Ages in Britain.

Juniors Aaron Ledford and Brittany Carbon do some research in US History.

Lauren Taggart and Barton Holmes tell their Social Studies 7 class about the new society they have created.

"Model United Nations is my favorite class. I love debating, especially a heated debate."
George Halley 12



Social Studies

Courses: Social Studies 8, A.P. US History, World History, US Government
Teacher: Mr. Ralph E. Blake, Mr. Thomas Rowe

"Playing roles of senators is the highlight of students' study. They like doing fun projects."

Courses: Science 7 & 8, Anatomy, Physiology
Teacher: Mr. Eric Mead

"In anatomy, studying the human body wins first place in the list of good things about Science. The seventh and eighth graders want hands on experience like dissection, the star lab and metric Olympic. They also like frolicking, (that's a joke!)"

Courses: Physics
Teacher: Mr. Eddie Gibb

"Doing good problem solving labs is what students enjoy. They like variety and change."

Courses: Chemistry
Teacher: Mr. Bill Gay

"I gave them instructions on how to put a motor together, showed them how it worked, and they had to rewrite the instructions more clearly. They enjoy the challenges and doing interesting labs."

Courses: Social Studies 7, Psychology
Teacher: Ms. Louella Hardin

"Students enjoy creating projects that assess their knowledge of the material covered, like posters."

Courses: World Regions
Teacher: Ms. Joan White

"Students liked the field trip to the Hindu temple, and they really liked the Service Learning project of writing Christmas cards and especially getting letters back, hearing the stories from World War II veterans."



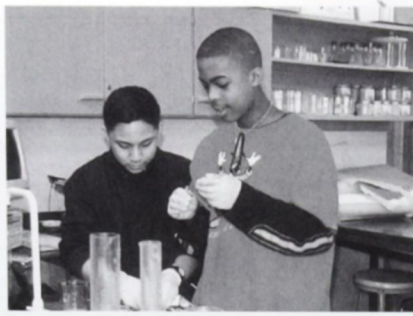
"AP American History gives me a chance to push myself to new boundaries and explore the history of the American people."

Nydja
Mercer-Bey 11

Science

Jomer Belisario and Cole Price do an experiment on bones in Science 8.

Eighth graders Katie Seckman, Gaby Colon and Erin Sutton watch Science teacher Mr. Eric Mead scratch the marrow from a chicken leg.



"Physiology is very interesting. I like the cool movies we get to watch about trauma, and how they do surgery on people that get shot or hit by a car."

Andre Hammond 10



Physics is a fun class where I am constantly learning something new. I really enjoy the labs we do because they make learning fun."

Tracy-Lei Seese 11



During Biology, Sophomores Laura Wake, Melinda Lynch and Jessica Rayford try to match chromosomes to find 23 sets.

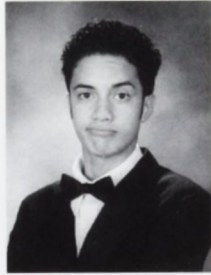
Eighth grader Philip Gray sets up student made rockets, firing them into the sky to determine whose is the best aero dynamically.





"I think Spanish has been a good experience for me, and I enjoy teaching Spanish as well."

Jacqueline Safreed 12



"French is an easy class once the vowels and verbs are learned. Tapes and some videos are incorporated into the teaching. Most quizzes are tape oriented."

Kamuela Bean 12



Cole Price and Alexia Wynn wait for Senora Cyndi Taggart to toss them a fruit or vegetable if they can shout the name of it in Spanish quickly.

Seniors Jacqueline Safreed and Kayla Hudson lead a group in the music room trying to do their French homework.

Stacey Snyder and Mike McLellan make a plaster mask on Marcel Cartier's face in Fundamentals of Art.

Senior Lisa Gutowski writes out her Spanish V work during class.



Classes: Spanish I-V

Teacher: Cyndi Taggart

"Estoy virendo la vida loca"

"I am living the crazy life"

The students in the Spanish class enjoy talking about themselves and being creative as well. In Spanish, students make a caricature of themselves and create an alien being comparing themselves to it. Students seem to enjoy creating paper dolls as well and doing a pictorial family tree.

The students in Spanish are learning a good skill because they can

Languages

hardly get anywhere in the world without being able to speak another

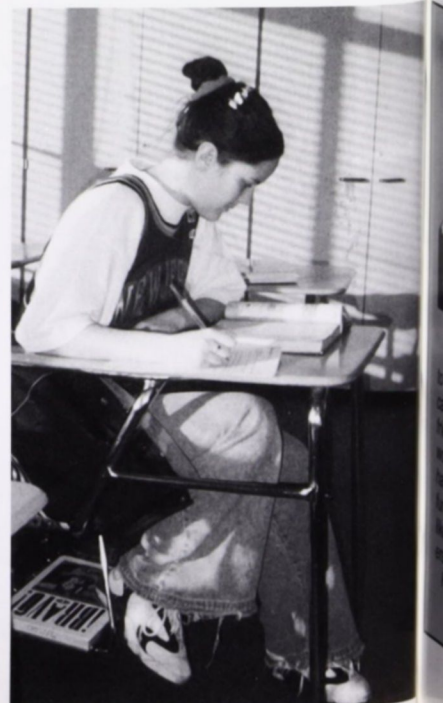
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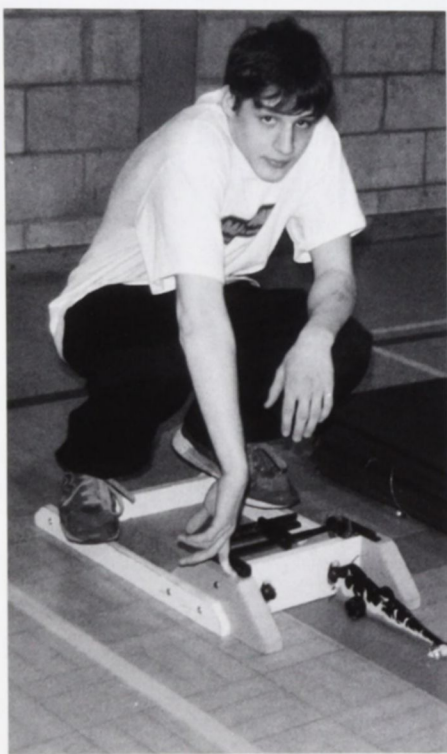
Classes: French I-V

Teacher: Joan M. White

The thing that the French students love to learn the most is that they get to learn about food and sometimes, they get to eat it. French is one of the other languages that should be learned, because it is a language that is almost universal.

by TK





Along with Lisa Gutowski, Senior TK Konecny builds a self portrait of clay in Studio Art.

Seniors Becki Hensley and Kathy Fifield display the apple pie they made in Home Ec.

Sophomore Josh Melter takes position to fire his Land Assault Vehicle, which he designed and made in Computer Drafting.



Sophomore Melinda Lynch seems to be having fun building her coil pot in Ceramics.

Courses: Seventh Grade Art & Humanities, Fundamentals of Art, Studio Art, Ceramics

Teacher: Ms. Sharon Curran

"Students like making things in art, whether it is polyhedrons, masks, prints or projects with clay. The messier the medium, the better they like it."

Courses: Home Economics

Teacher: Ms. Martha Duncan

"No doubt about it, students like foods and nutrition best. They enjoy decorating, such as flower arranging and cake decorating, and sewing when they make pil-

The Arts

lows and aprons."

Courses: Computer Drafting

Teacher: Mr. Gerald Curran

"One of the most exciting parts of the course is when students get to design a land speed record assault vehicle from sketches through working drawings and patterns. They make a prototype model and construct it from wood and other materials. These models are tested for stability and aero dynamics by racing them."



"I enjoy coming to Art because we can talk with our friends while we are working, and we have really good, fun assignments. I like the handwarmers."

Felicity Gartland 7



"Advanced Band is fun getting to try new things and putting really awesome music together."

Philip Gray 8



I enjoy playing oboe and listening to all the individual instruments blend together. I also like sight reading a piece for the first time."

Laura Whiteside 10



"Chorus is a great class! I love to sing. It makes me feel great, and singing is just good for the soul. My favorite warm-up are the 'hip-hips.'"

Stacey Snyder 10

Band and Chorus

Courses: Music Appreciation, Advanced Band, Beginner Band, High School Chorus, Computer Music.

Teacher: Mr. Eric Measells

"I think my students most enjoy the lessons that relate half notes to dog vomit."

The band and chorus have had many successful performances. The band played at a few of the pep rallies, the Homecoming game and bonfire, the base Christmas Tree Lighting, and the Winter Concert. The Choir has performed at the Honor Society initiation, the Winter Concert, and the Martin Luther King luncheon.

As a big triumph, students were chosen to participate at the High

School Honor Choir and Middle School Honor Band extravaganzas. Ellis Reynolds from the Choir, plus Aileen Kucsera, Maureen Cummins, Jessica Baffa, Kalani Snyder and Cassie Fink from the band were selected.

Both organizations attempted to get uniforms for performances and tried to earn money. One effort was a Spaghetti dinner Feb. 25 which included musical entertainment.

One of the year's highlights was the UK Solo Ensemble Festival held in March. Another local concert was held March 28, followed by the UK Music Festival at Lakenheath in April and UK School Performance Day and the finale concert in May.



During the Christmas parade, Philip Gray leads the band with the bass drum.



Eighth graders, Katie Seckman, Philip Gray, Aileen Kucsera, and Shonte Stephens play percussion in the band during the Homecoming football game.



Beginning band trumpeters play We wish you a Merry Christmas at the school assembly: Brad Riley, Brandon Weinstein, Chelsea Bailey, Jennifer Snyder, Jessica Whiteside, Joshua Caldwell.

Jennifer Kay, Victoria Stiegel, Kathy Fifield, Becky Hensley with Bret Levesque, Jacqueline Safreed, Kamuela Bean and Ellis Reynolds sing at the Christmas assembly.



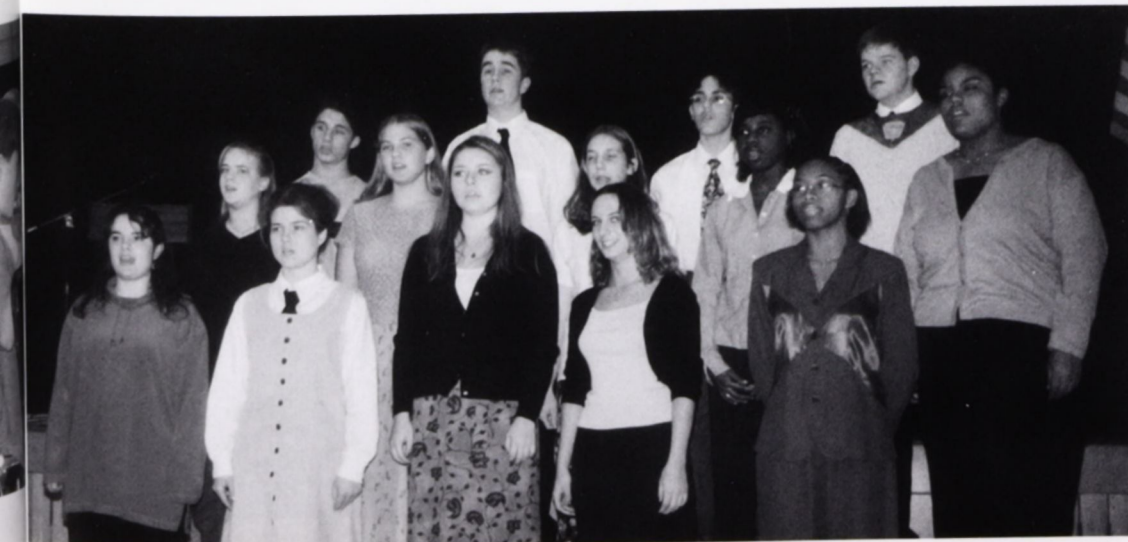
At the Homecoming Pep Assembly, Maureen Cummins, Kayla Hudson, Gemma Breedlove, Jessica Arrieta and Becky Hensley play the fight song on their clarinets.



Dan Grady and Laura Whiteside await a signal from Band Director Mr. Eric Measells.

Ivan Pratt, Jennifer Ellington, William Turner, Alex Jaeger, Zachary Ledford are featured on Trumpets at the Homecoming Assembly.

Choir: Front; Jennifer Kay, Kathy Fifield, Jacqueline Safreed, Kayla Hudson, Tunisa Mercer-Bey. Second row: Becky Hensley, Victoria Stiegel, Stacey Snyder, Adrian Green, Brittany Carbon. Back row: Ellis Reynolds, Bret Levesque, Kevin Wallior, Leland Lambert.





In PE, I am able to do physical activities and snow off my athletic talent."

Trey Martin 7



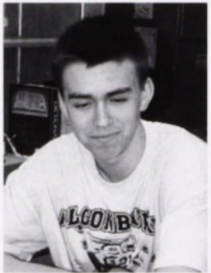
"Although we have specific projects in Presentations and Publications, we can design them the way we want, like our web pages."

Tequila Bowen 10



"I like the projects we do in Accounting. We add and subtract numbers and record the results."

Kathy Gasque 10



"Presentations and Publications allows me to make interesting projects about things I like."

William Kennedy 10

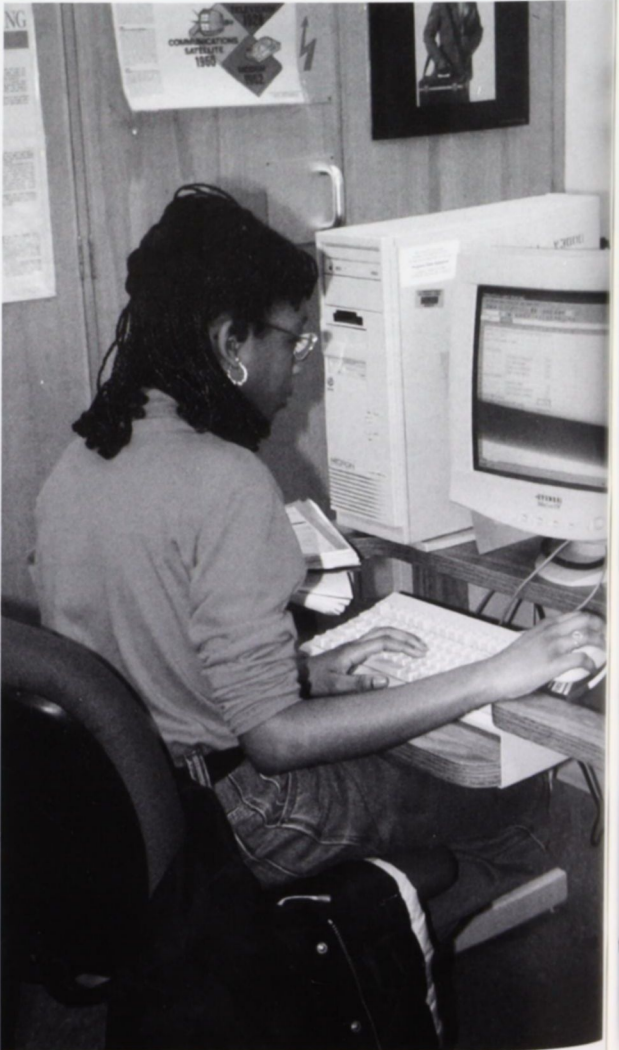
Nurse JoAnna Calgelia teaches Senior Liara Hammond to listen to her heart.

Senior Chris Zimmer displays the cool reserve needed to make points in a hot badminton game during Life Sports class.



Kyle Cox can only watch as Paul Taggart, boots the soccer ball to learn the skills necessary in Life Sports.

Working in the business lab, Sophomore Tequila Bowen charts information for Presentations and Publications.



Business and PE



Classes: Keyboarding 7, Keyboarding 9-12, Presentations and Publications, Computer Applications.

Teacher: Ms. Lynda Piazzoni

"Life skills are learned in all of these classes and are very important to your future." All students are required to take an introduction class to the computer, but the students mentioned they particularly liked designing their own web pages and doing "cool" projects such as newspapers, brochures, greeting cards and calendars.

Classes: Physical Education 7-8, Personal Fitness, Lifetime Sports.

Teachers: Mr. Ken Bell, Mr. Gerald Curran

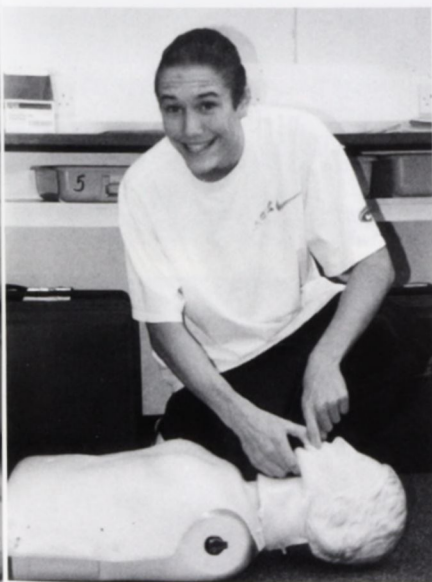
"I think the one activity that the

kids enjoyed most was an adventure course set up in the gym called "Project Adventure," said Mr. Bell. Students listed volleyball, hockey, basketball, soccer and learning good sportsmanship as some of the values of Physical Education. And Mr. Curran thought, "A class favorite was our trips to the tennis courts at the beginning of the year. Everybody enjoyed that."

Class: Health

Teacher: Ms. Martha Duncan

"My students loved acting out in sketches about mental health. They like learning about human reproduction and taking care of "egg babies, really, there are too many things to name."



Freshman Chris Jones shows how to clear the air way of some one who is choking after taking a Red Cross course in Health.

On a weekly fall trip to the tennis courts during physical education, Freshman Sara Huton gets ready to serve the ball.

Robert Fisher keeps his eye on the ball in a fast game of ping pong.

Sophomore Jason Devokaitis gets help with Visual Basic Learning Chapter 2 test in Distance Education from Ms. Barbara Dunsmore.

Beyond Classes

Resource: Media Center
Head: Mr. Gary Bartimus

"Obviously, students like working with technology, such as SIRS, Newsbank, Internet and doing lots of research. The Library is a social area before, after and during school. They play chess and even some of them like to check out our books and read. They look at student work on display, use the photo copier and read magazines. It's a nice place to be."

Resource: AVID
Teacher: Mr. Ken Bell

AVID is a program for students win the middle GPA range who show potential and want to go to college. The Avid class provides support, academic monitoring and tutoring. The writing process, collaborative learning, and the Socratic questioning are the core stratagems of the program. The students went on field trips to London to visit Florida State Univ.

campus and see a theater production. They went to Germany to see the American University campus' in May. In order to raise money they sold food at break in the Home Ec. room.

Resource: Cooperative Work Experience

Coordinator: Mr. Gerald Curran

"CWE gives students an opportunity to explore their career choices and develop some interpersonal employable skills. Students work as student aides for teachers, in the auto shop, child care center, legal office, post office, the list goes on and on."

Resource: Learning Resources
Teacher: Ms. Sally Jones

"Students like to learn how our brain works and talk about how to make the brain work better. It's all research based. The message is water, water and more water."



"CEW can be a lot of fun depending on the work you have to do. Teaching French I can be challenging, depending how difficult it is to motivate my three students."
Jennifer Kay \ 12



"The Media Center is very useful for getting information, and it is nice that they keep it open after school."
Sarah Hall \ 11

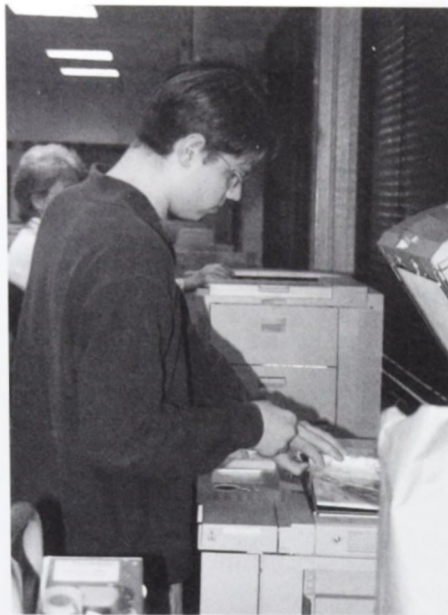
In AVID, I always learn about college. All of my good friends in that class help me with homework. This class helps me maintain good grades in all of my classes.
Jessica Rayford \ 10



Eighth grader Nathan De Russy works in the Media center doing some research for English.

Seventh grader Chris Lis uses the electronic card catalogue to locate information for Mexico during Social Studies.

Using their lunch time to play chess in the Media Center, Robert Fisher inquires who is winning the game. Jake Babcock is satisfied with his move against Tyrell Flurry, as Zachary Ledford gets ready to play Nathan De Russy, while at the end of the table, Brian La France gives advice.



Sophomore James Christian uses the photo copier while planning to build a Roman road model for an Honors English project.

Library Assistant Ms. Susan Turner tries to solve another problem concerning programming.



Senior Dan Grady learns to balance a tire during his CWE job at the auto hobby shop.

Counselor Ms. Martha Duncan shows Office Aide Phillip Greenwalt what she wants him to accomplish during his CWE time.



"Whenever we go to the home page, there is something new to look at."
Bryon Melter \ 9



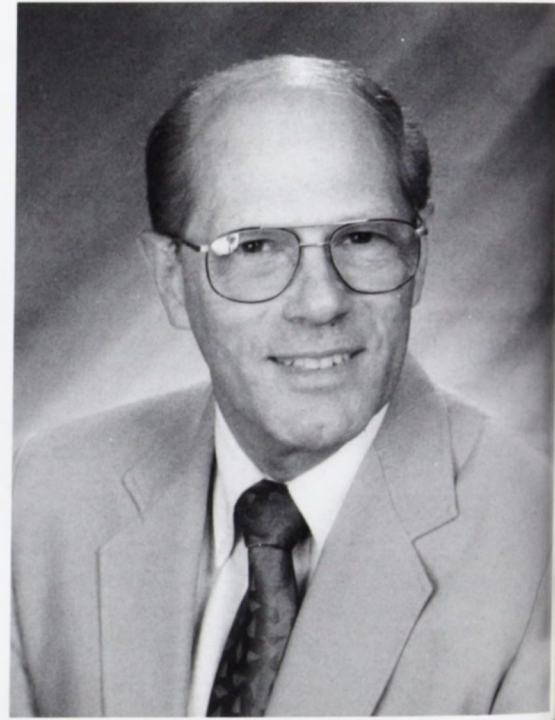


A smiling Mr. Gerry Curran gets ready to go home at the end of another day.

Coach Eric Mead wonders just what the football team is doing the first game.

Art teacher Ms. Sharon Curran cautions Fundamental of Arts students to have a center of interest.

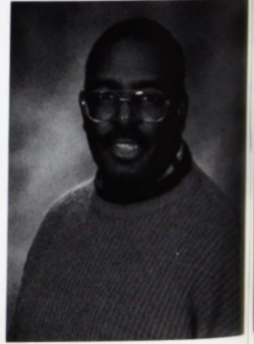
Joe Castaldo helps Ms. Martha Duncan cut meat to make lamb stew in Home Ec.



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Principal



Angel Arnold
Registration Clerk

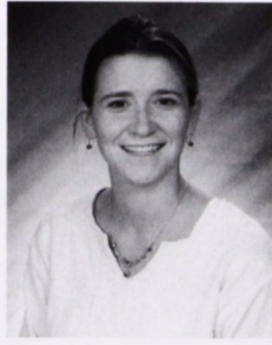


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Personal Secretary

Becki Bower

Konnie Cress

Melissa Hayes



Student Teachers

Dave Elliot
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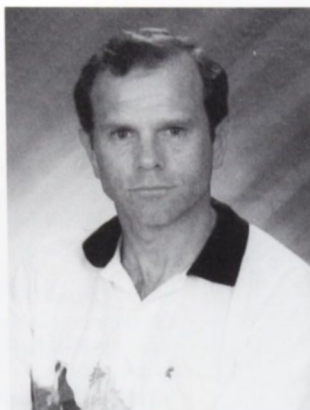
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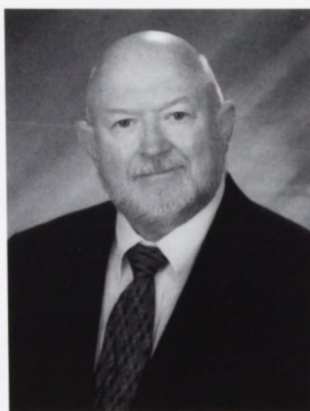
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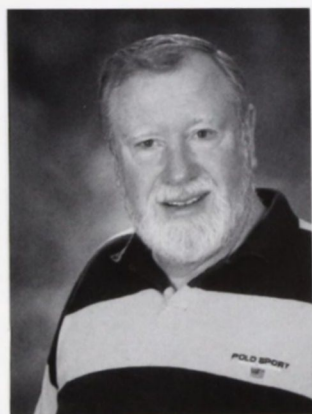
Gary Bartimus
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Kenneth Bell
Physical Education, AVID
Cross Country Coach



Ralph Blake
AP American History,
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Studies 8, World History,
U.S. Government.
Tennis Sponsor, Model
Senate, Forensics



JoAnna Calgelia
School Nurse
PAC

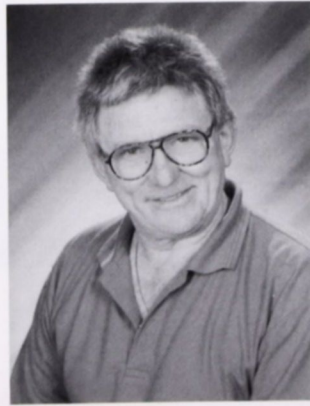
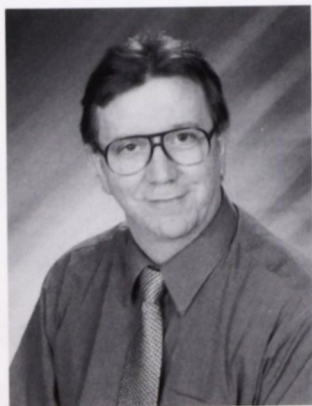
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CWE, Fitness for Life, Life
Sports, Driver Education, Auto-
motive Technology, Drafting.
Freshmen Sponsor

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Yearbook

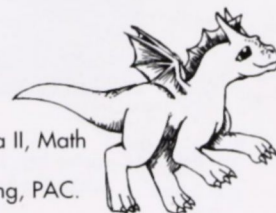
Martha Duncan
Counselor, Health, Home Eco-
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AVID, Crisis Intervention Team,
School Advisory Committee,
FHA

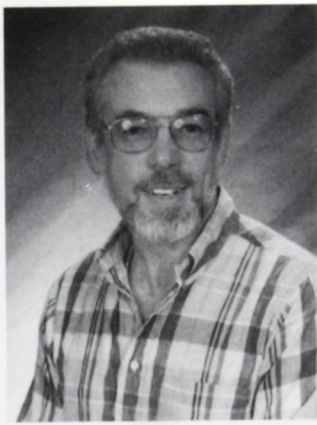
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Edward Gibb
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Analysis, Physics.
CHO, Math Tutoring, PAC.



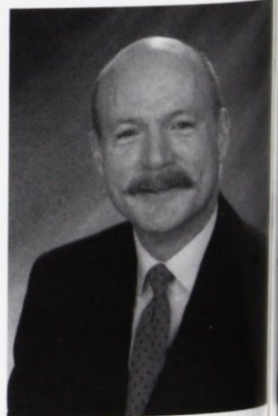


Louella Hardin
Contemporary Issues, Geography 7, Psychology, English 10 & 11.
Middle School Student Council

Sally Jones
Reading, Learning Strategies, Resource Room.
DoE Sponsor, Senior Sponsor

Vicki Knox
Pre-Algebra, Algebra.
Student Council Sponsor

Frank Hardin
Pre-Algebra 7 & 8, Algebra I, Math Counts, Wrestling, Soccer



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British Culture, Host Nation Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme, PAC

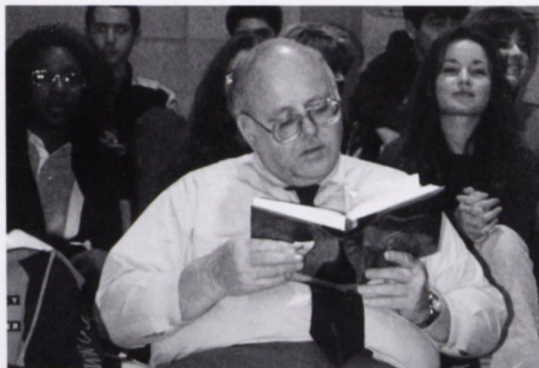
Eric Mead
Science 7 & 8, Anatomy and Physiology.
Football Coach, Basketball Sponsor

Eric Measells
Music Appreciation, Band, Chorus, Computer Music.
DoE, Solo & Ensemble Festival

Dennis Nail
Middle School English, AP English.
Senior Sponsor

Mr. Tom Rowe finds the excitement at the Winter Pep Rally all too much and reverts to his first source of entertainment.

Band Director Eric Measells keeps the beat going while the band plays at a football game.



Nancy Peck

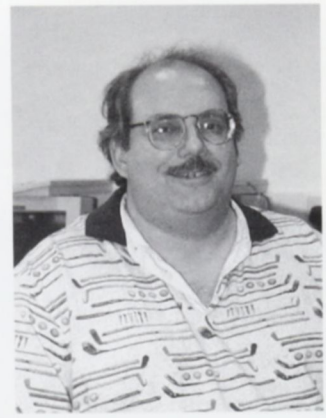
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Cheerleader Sponsor, MUN,
Softball Coach, Sports Coordi-
nator, Volleyball Coach.

Lynda Piazzoni

Accounting, Keyboarding,
Computer Applications, Presenta-
tions & Publications. Word
Processing, Distance Ed. Facili-
tator.
Student Activity Fund Bookkeep-
er

Thomas Rowe

English 9 & 12, Honors English
9, Reading 7, U.S. History.



Bill Seese

Computer Specialist

Susan Snyder

Special Education
Teacher's Aide



Susan Turner

Assistant Librarian

Cyndi Taggart

Spanish I-V
National Honor Societies

Joan White

French I-V, World Regions
Brain Bowl



The week before Christmas vacation allows teachers to unpack their sweaters, but it looks like Ms. Vicki Knox and Ms. Louella Hardin have been shopping from the same store.



Breon Wells, James Meyer, Chris Zimmer, Melynda Lynch and Andrew Concilio prepare to start the NHS and NJHS induction ceremony.



Freshman Ricky Baffa and Sophomore Jessica Rayford play Go, Fight, Win at the Homecoming Pep Rally.

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Activities



Lisa Bixler and Sheldon Horne stop their busy day to pose during the Senior Toga day.



Cross Country Captains and Seniors Kamuela Bean and Sarah Townley-Wren are introduced by Coach Bell at the Homecoming Pep Rally.



During a strenuous DoE hike at Hinterbrand, Sophomore Laura Wake snacks on blackberries in the Bavarian Alps

Spirit Week

Spirit Week '99 started with Wacky Tacky/Pajama Day. The Middle School dominated in their school spirit. Tuesday was Celebrity Day. Wednesday was similar, it was Cartoon Character Day. Thursday was the class' choice. The Freshman picked Wacky Hair Day, the Sophomores choose Beach Day, the Juniors were dressed up as Trailer Trash, while the Seniors were having a Toga Party all day long.

Friday was the last day of Spirit Week. The students showed the spirit by dressing in Green and Gold.

The Pep-Rally began by having all the coaches of the Fall sports come to the gym floor and announce their players. Later, the grades performed their class skits. The Middle School was up first. They acted out a part from the hit movie *Austin Powers 2*. They acted a

part where Dr. Evil and his side kick had stolen the Dragons Mojo for winning football games. They went back into the past and got the Dragons Mojo from Dr. Evil and Mini Me. When the Middle School was done, then came the Freshman. Paul Taggart hummed *Beethoven's Fifth Symphony* while the audience sang "Dragons will win, Dragons will win." Then, came the Sophomores, acting out a Beach Football Game. The Juniors performed a part from the movie *Varsity Blues*. The Seniors sang a song from the movie *Hercules*, including choreography.

After the skits ended, came the pudding eating contest, won by the Seniors. When it was finished, the winners of the Spirit Stick were ... The Middle School!

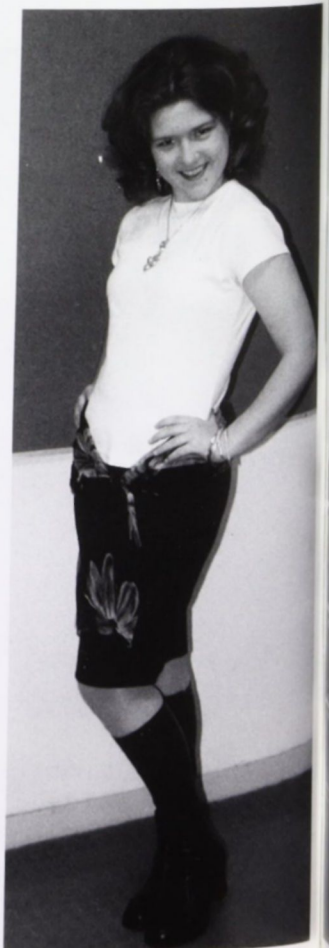
By Will Mangual



Sophomore Gemma Breedlove puts make-up on Senior Ellis Reynolds' face, for Monday's Wacky Tacky Day.



Sophomore Victoria Stiegel poses in her Hawaiian beach outfit on Thursday during class theme day.



Senior Kathy Fifield strikes a pose in her Betty Boop costume on Tuesday, Cartoon Character Day.





Seniors Sheldon Home and Bryan Meeder dressed for Thursday's class theme day. The Seniors choose Toga Day.



Freshmen Adrian Green and Bryon Melter in front, with Sophomores Stacey Snyder, Will Mangual, Laneisha Motley dress up for Monday's Wacky Tacky/Pajama Day.

Juniors Nydja Mercer-Bey costumed as a Queen from the movie Prince of Egypt and Sarah Davison as the bunny from the movie Alice in Wonderland during Cartoon Character Day.



Spirit Week



Seniors Jessica Arrieta, Sarah Townley-Wren, Kathy Fifield and Rebecca Hensley bow to the Football players; Josh Tucker, Lisa Gutowski, Joe Castaldo, Bryan Meeder and Chris Block in their class skit.

Student Body President, Sheldon Horne begins the Homecoming Pep Rally with a speech.



Friday

The Homecoming Pep Rally began with the introduction of the tennis team, cross-country team, volleyball team and football team by their coaches.

Student Council Sponsor Ms. Knox presented the Homecoming Court candidates. Dukes were Santi Castilleja, Paul Taggart, and Richard Baffa; Dutchess' Alicia Christensen, Angela Elliot, and Cathrine Amara. The nominations for Lord were Andrew Concilio, William Kennedy, and Andre Hammond; Lady, Gemma Breedlove, Jessica Rayford, and Laura Whiteside. The Prince could have been Tommy Roy, Alex Foster or George Halley; and princess' chosen Sarah Davison, Nicole Horne, and Nydja Mercer-Bey. Finally, the Senior nominations for King included Brian Hardin, Timothy Konecny, Ellis Reynolds, and James Groff. The Queen candidates were Lisa Gutowski, Emma Humbert,

Tunisa Mercer-Bey, Jennifer Kay, and Kathy Fifield.

Class skits were lead by the seventh and eighth graders, who won the best skit for their *Austin Powers* theme. Freshman, Paul Taggart's conducted, "The Dragons will win," to Beethoven. The sophomores acted out a Dragon football game victory. The Juniors had Tommy Roy imitate the movie scene from *Varsity Blues*, where the homecoming quarterback gives a speech. The senior class did a dance to *A Star is Born*.

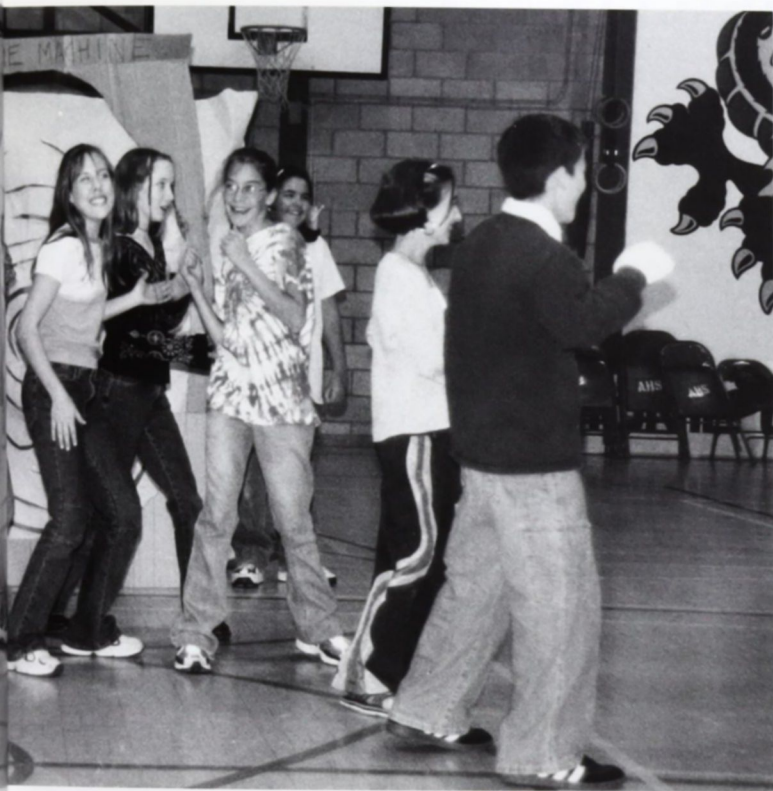
The game was a pudding eating competition, in which the seniors claimed the victory, thanks to Joe Castaldo, the eater, and Ellis Reynolds, the feeder.

Homecoming should be the most lively pep rally of the year, and this one definitely proved it.

by Lisa Bixler



Alex Foster, Valerie McDaugh, Nicole Horne, George Halley, Nydja Mercer-Bey cheer Quarterback Tommy Roy's speech for the Junior skit.



Holding their time machine, Eighth graders boogie with Austin Powers to find the Dragon Mojo; Cassie Fink, Katie Hall, Ashley Thomas, Katie Seckman, Jessica Baffa, and Aileen Kucsera and Barton Holmes.

Football Coach Eric Mead says a special word about Freshman Ricky Baffa as Sophomore Will Manqual awaits his turn for praise, when each team member was introduced to a cheering audience.

Sophomore Kristen Hudson feeds Gemma Breedlove and Eighth grader Crystal Hilton gulps Eric Babcock offering in a race to win the pudding-eating contest, but they still didn't beat the Seniors.

Sophomores Victoria Stigel, Stephanie Gartland with Freshmen Alex Concilio, on flutes, and Jessica Bennett, with her oboe, help the gym to rock as they play with the band.





The band, along with parents, played at at Homecoming; Melynda Lynch, Becky Hensley, Billy Turner and Joe Meyer.

Senior Brian Hardin breaks through the London Central defense line edging towards his third touchdown of the game.

Senior Kamuela Bean races through the Cross Country trail of Hinchingbrook Park to win first place.



Freshman Michelle Hinton is ready to help Senior Lisa Gutowski save the day with an astounding dive to bump the ball over the net.



Games

Before the Cross Country race, Freshman Santi Castilleja and Senior Sarah Townley-Wren have a energy snack together.



Sports had a very busy week culminating in the Homecoming games on October 23. All the teams played important matches.

The season of football ended in a miraculous game against London Central. Senior Josh Tucker played his best game with 7 points worth of field goals, and a 40 yard kick. Senior Ellis Reynolds had a stupendous game, making an interception and running back for a touchdown. Senior Chris Zimmer made an astonishing dive for another touchdown. Last, but not least, Senior Brian Hardin, who had been an asset to the team, ran three amazing touchdowns. The final score of the game was 37 to 0.

The Volleyball team played a tournament of five games over the weekend, which included the teams of Iceland, Menwith Hill, Brussels, Bad Kreuznach and London Central. The Dragons won three

of the five games. Two of the five won were 15-3, 15-4 against Menwith Hill, 15-12, 15-9 against London Central. Some of the players achieved awards. Second team All-Europe, All-Conference and All Tournament was conferred on Gemma Breedlove. Michelle Hinton, also, became part of the All Tournament team.

For the Cross Country team, Senior Kamuela Bean, with an amazing time of 17:35, won first place during the Homecoming meet at Hinchingsbrook Park. Freshman Santi Castilleja came in 18th with a time 22:45, out of 27 runners.

The tennis team did not compete against anyone during the Homecoming weekend. They finished the season earlier.

So, as they ended their last competitions, the teams reflected on an awesome year, that had lasting effect on the players.

by T.K.



Sophomore Kristen Hudson admires Junior Sarah Davidson's spike, sending the volleyball screaming to make another spectacular score against Menwith Hill.

Volleyball team members led by Eighth graders Erin Button, Crystal Lane, and Freshman Angela Elliott cheer the Dragon football team.





Homecoming Court: Front row; Lord Santi Castilleja, Duke Andrew Concilio, King Brian Hardin, Prince Tommy Roy. Back Row; Lady Alicia Christensen, Duchess Gemma Breedlove, Queen Lisa Gutowski, and Princess Sarah Davison.

Seniors Liara Hammond, Tunisa Mercer-Bey, and Jacqueline Safreed lookin' good and chillin' out at the Homecoming dance.

Get down with your bad self! Moe it like this, and like that. Junior Alex Foster shows his moves to Sophomore Brandon Ford.

Last Dance ...

Laneisha Motley shows her corsage that her date Andre Hammond selected for the dance.



The Dragons celebrated the end of the Spirit Week with The Last Dance of the Millennium hosted by Student Government. The theme song "Lets Dance" was sung by the wonderful voice of Donna Summers. The mood was festive the whole night as the Dragon Football team set it off right with a 37-0 win over the London Central Bobcats. Volleyball and Cross Country joined the victory celebrations.

The dance was held at the Stukeley Inn, who provided the food and drink. Sandwiches, chips, and other finger foods were the snacks that fed the party people throughout the night.

The decorations were in silver and hunter green. The tables had centerpieces of flowers and a banner announced the theme.

The man that kept the night jumping was DJ Benjamin Lockhart. The

night began with a musical tribute to the Football team; the song, "Another One Bites the Dust" by Queen. Then, he played the usual hits such as "Disco Inferno", Destiny Child's "Bug-A-Boo", TLC's "No Scrubs", and Ricky Martin's hit "Livin' La Vida Loca."

Photographs were taken of groups and couples.

As the dance moved into the wee hours, the Homecoming Court was announced by Student Council sponsor Ms. Vicki Knox. All the ladies received yellow roses, a sash, and heart pins. The guys got a carnation boutonniere, sashes and an arm band. The court danced to the theme song.

From eight pm until midnight, October 23, the Homecoming Dance proved "The" place to be for fun and entertainment.

by Sheldon Horne



Kristen Hudson and Ellis Reynolds share the night together at the "Last Dance of the Millenium."

Josh Melter, Laura Whiteside, Kathleen Gasque, and Laneisha Motley enjoy a few drinks and smiles.

"Come on, get up and dance!" Sophomore Cregg Carter tries to get Sophomore Casey Pratt up and dancing. He said, "no."





Santi Castilleja as the Tin Man, Kathy Fifiel, Dorothy, and Bret Levesque, Lion, act in the musical *The Wizard of Oz*.

Performing in the Shakespeare Festival were Breana Harrison, Tracy-Lei Seese, Brent Wardrip. Back; Ivan Pratt, Lee Spaulding, Krystle King, Catherine Tilson and Victoria Stiegel.



Breaking THE Mold



Drama Club members: Brent Wardrip, Victoria Stiegel, Breana Harrison, Catherine Tilson.

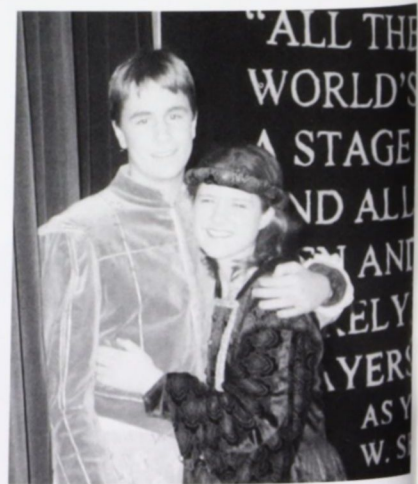
The Drama Club competed in the Shakespeare Festival at Lakenheath, Dec. 10.

Over 60 scene were enter, but all three of Alconbury's scenes made the finals on Jan. 6. Two scenes from *Macbeth* were acted. Kathy Fifiel and Bret Levesque performed *The Taming of the Shrew*.

Eight members competed in a Drama Festival in Wurzburg, Germany, March 26-29. The group put on *Homeless Harry*. Each actor, also, had to either do an individual or duet performance.

The club was directed by Mrs. Bixler. Parent volunteers helped with costumes and fund raising.

by Bret Levesque



Homeless Harry cast: Front; Director Ms. Carole Ann Bixler, Tracy-Lei Seese, Kendall Thomas. Second row; Ivan Pratt, Santi Castilleja, Kathy Fifiel, Breon Wells. Back; Ian Davison, Bret Levesque.

The Taming of the Shrew has Bret Levesque as Petruchio and Kathy Fifiel as Kate at the Jan. 6, Shakespeare Festival.



Brian Hardin, Ms. Maureen McQuitty, and Josh Tucker at the Gold Award at Hinchbrook Hall.

Laura Wake, Nydja Mercer-Bey and James Christian, look across Hinterbrand Mountains.



Duke of Edinburgh participants: Seated; Cathrine Amara, Jessica Rayford, Alexandra Concilio, Michael Fish. Back row; Robert Fisher, Laura Wake, James Christian, Aaron Ledford, Gemma Breedlove, Andrew Concilio, Josh Tucker, Brian Hardin, Tracy-Lei Seese.



Nydja Mercer-Bey and Laura Wake at *The Sound of Music* hill singing the song.

Look Out

The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme (DOE) is set up to teach young adults about the values of leadership, teamwork, and responsibility. Over a span of four or more years, participants must pass three levels: Bronze, Silver, and before earning the right to receive their Gold Award given by H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh at St. James Palace. Senior Brian Hardin achieved the distinction this year.

Other than embarking on outdoor expeditions, participants must do various activities such as community service projects, the pursuance of a skill, hobby and

physical recreation. Mountain climbing in Germany, Wales and on the Moors were excursions that brought together the participants. The purpose of these activities is to help build character so that participants can achieve a wider sense of commitment to themselves, as well as to their community. Not only is DOE fun, it is also an important building block in preparation for the responsibilities that life will throw at you.

Ms. Maureen McQuitty was in charge of the program, with Ms. Sally Jones and Mr. Eric Measells as sponsors.

by Chris Zimmer



Freshmen court candidates Alicia Christensen and Ricky Baffa receive carnations from Student Council Sponsor Vicki Knox at the Homecoming Pep Assembly.

Junior Nicole Horne wins the winter assembly competition with back up from Nydija Mercer-Bey and Sarah Davison.

Senior James Groff, T.K., Ellis Reynolds, Kathy Fifield, Emma Humbert, Lisa Gutowski and Jennifer Kay won the skit competition at the Homecoming Pep Rally.



Sophomore Class Officers: Treasurer Laura Whiteside, Secretary Kristen Hudson, Co-

Presidents Jessica Rayford and Andrew Concilio, Vice President Laura Wake

Freshmen Officers: Treasurer Robert Fisher, SIP Representative Ashley Smith, Vice President Paul Taggart, Secretary Johnna Ellington, President David Leslie.

Power

President Sheldon Horne leads the Winter pep assembly as Master of Ceremonies.

For Al is dead! Brandon Ford and Nydja Mercer-Bey try to revive him with the help of nurse Ms. Joanna Calgellia, Sheldon Horne, Jessica Rayford and Sarah Davison begin the campaign to replace him.



Student Council Officers: Sponsor Ms. Vicki Knox with Treasurer Santi Castilleja, Secretary Nydja Mercer-Bey, Parliamentarian Ian Davison, Vice President Sarah Davison, President Sheldon Horne.

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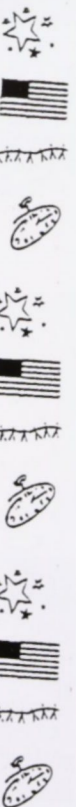
The Student Council met on Thursdays at lunch. The sponsor Ms. Vicki Knox. Coming from a high school where she was also the sponsor, she brought some new ideas and a drive for creating a Student Council to be proud. The Student Council started with a Back to School dance in the small gym that would welcome in the new Dragons and refresh the old.

They were responsible to organizing Homecoming and the Pep Rallies. The project of raising money to get a new Mascot took a lot of effort.

They were able to implement for the first time, "Fireside Chat," where the principal Dr. Smith heard any Dragon cries of distress or happiness.

Their next big project was the annual Dragon Fest. It's the big fun day for everyone who wants to have fun. The mission of the Student Council; as President Sheldon Horne put it, "To have FUN! Educationally, of course."

by Sheldon Horne



Junior Class Officers: Treasurer George Halley, Secretary Aaron Ledford, Vice President Nydja Mercer-Bey, President Bret Levesque.



Model United Nations: Front row: Ryan Moody, Aaron Ledford, Chris Zimmer, Kevin Wallior, Chris Block, James Christian, George Halley, Melinda Lynch, Bret Levesque, Jason Devokaitis, Lee Spaulding. Back row: Josh Tucker, Sarah Townley-Wren, Victoria Stiegel, Sponsor Ms. Nancy Peck, Brittany Carbon.

Sarah Townley-Wren and Bret Levesque on the ferry going to Belgium.



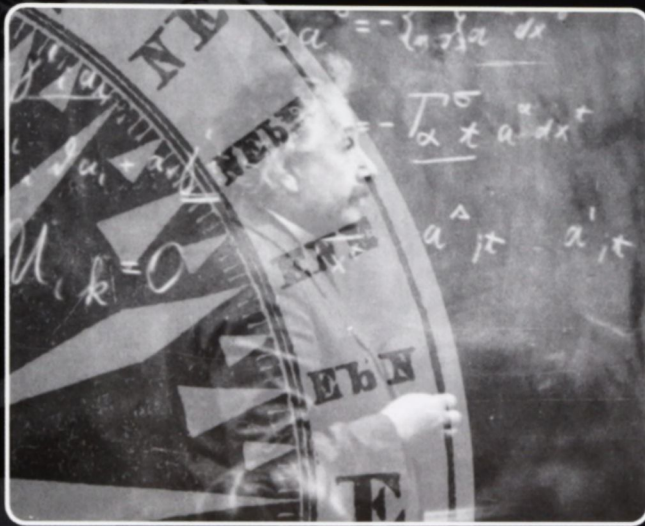
The Model United Nations involved researching a country's policy and views on world issues and arguing on their behalf during the assembly in The Hague while the rest of the school was taking semester exams.

After the research, conclusions as to the country's policies had to be drawn, in Alconbury's case, Qatar was the subject. A policy statement had to be written beforehand. A resolution, from two to eight pages long, had to be written to a problem that was being questioned by the United Nations. When students reached The Hague, these resolutions were merged, co signed and approved before being debated. This lengthy process often ended with a large red stamp saying "rejected."

There were over 3700 students from around the world at the assembly, some were very interesting people. One wore his hair in 7-inch spikes. Another delegate from Togo sent bribes to the chairman to be called upon in open debate! Practical jokes seemed to pop up, ranging from nasty notes to mass coughing at 1:05 pm. Debates got quite heated as our delegate exchanged harsh words with opposing debaters.

Not all of the time involved work in the large congress halls. At five o'clock delegates were released to enjoy the city. There were beautiful beaches, excellent restaurants, and a boardwalk facing the North Sea was fun to explore.

by George Halley



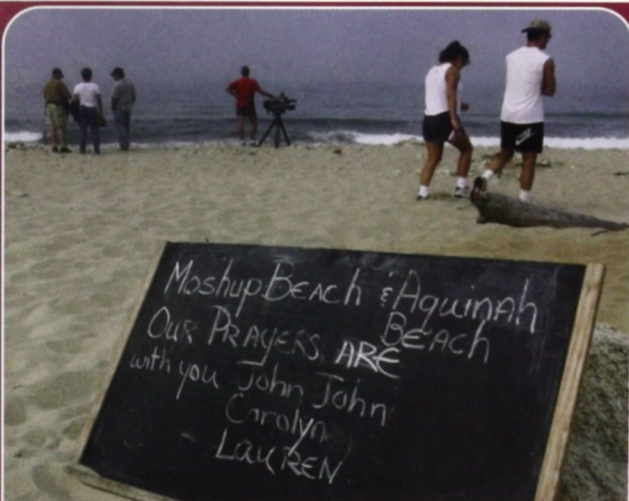
year in review

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MILLENNIUM

EDITION



you said...

Was the media coverage of the death of John F. Kennedy Jr. excessive or appropriate?

64% Excessive

36% Appropriate

The dreadful events that plagued the life of John F. Kennedy Jr. painted an eerie backdrop for the tragic plane crash that killed him, his wife, Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, and her sister, Lauren Bessette. The bodies of the three victims were recovered by divers in the Atlantic about seven miles off of Martha's Vineyard, where the Piper Saratoga II Kennedy was piloting crashed five days before. In the end, the nation and the world was left to mourn the loss of a man they came to know as a little boy, saluting the casket of his assassinated father, a boy who grew up to inherit the bittersweet Kennedy legacy.

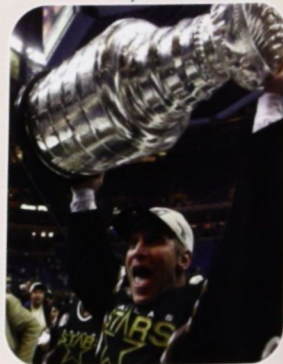
The San Antonio Spurs held off the New York Knicks in June to win the team's first-ever NBA championship. The Spurs, led by David Robinson and Tim Duncan, clinched all four playoff series games on the road, completing the playoffs with a 15-2 record. The team also set an NBA single-season record with 12 consecutive victories in the postseason.

Nick Ut/AP



Robert Downey Jr., the one-time Oscar nominee and star of such films as "Natural Born Killers" and "Less Than Zero," was sentenced in August to three years in prison for violating his probation on drugs and weapons charges. The 34-year-old actor had made several attempts at rehabilitation prior to his latest arrest, and had spent more than six months behind bars.

Ryan Remiorz/AP



A controversial goal in the third overtime lifted the Dallas Stars to victory over the Buffalo Sabres in Game 6 of the Stanley Cup Finals in June. On the winning goal, Dallas' Brett Hull took two whacks at the puck and finally knocked it past the Sabres' fallen goalie. After further review, the shot was ruled fair to give Dallas its first championship in franchise history.



MILLENNIUM XI CENTURY

The first century of the second millennium began with **Leif Eriksson** sailing west to become the first European in the New World. Eriksson and 35 other men crossed the Atlantic from Greenland to a place they called Vinland near what is now Newfoundland. The year was 1000 A.D.

A new measure of literary brilliance was discovered in 1008, when Japan's Lady Murasaki Shikibu wrote what is believed to be the **first true novel**, "The Tale of Genji." The colorful story of the life and loves of Prince Genji is considered a masterpiece and the pinnacle of Japanese literature.

Canute of Denmark became the king of England in 1016, following the death of his father who had conquered the country three years before. While presiding over a period of prosperity in England, **Canute the Great** also



The low-budget horror documentary, "The Blair Witch Project," came out of nowhere, earning more than \$150 million and competing with major studio releases, such as "The Sixth Sense," in the summer box office race. Having been made for less than \$35,000, the movie beat the odds to become the most profitable motion picture of all time.



you said...

What was your favorite movie of the year?

1. American Pie
2. The Sixth Sense
3. The Matrix
4. The Green Mile
5. 10 Things I Hate About You

A deadly earthquake measuring 7.6 on the Richter scale rocked western Turkey in August. By far the year's most catastrophic, the earthquake killed more than 17,000 people. Several serious aftershocks followed the main earthquake, destroying thousands of buildings and leaving hundreds of thousands of people homeless and living in tent cities.

Burhan Ozbilici/AP



Mark Terrill/AP

The U.S. women's soccer team battled for 120 minutes to a scoreless tie before defeating China, 5-4, on penalty kicks in the World Cup Final. The exciting win captured the hearts of America, resulting in hero status for the team's 20 members and a shot in the arm for women's sports overall. Additionally, the World Cup championship was credited for boosting soccer's marginal stature in the United States.

suppressed uprisings in Denmark and defeated Norway. He died in 1035 as king of all three countries and a highly respected power in European politics.

William, duke of Normandy, a.k.a **William the Conqueror**, led a triumphant charge over Harold, earl of Wessex, in the Battle of Hastings in 1066. At issue was the throne of England, which had been promised to William, but given to Harold. His army no match for the Normans, Harold was finally slain and William won the English crown.

Pope Urban II launched a crusade in 1095 to reclaim the Holy Land from the Turks. After several waves of battle, Christian soldiers eventually took Jerusalem in 1099. The triumph was short-lived and **the Crusades** continued for another 200 years.



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June 1 — American Airlines Flight 1420 carrying 145 passengers skidded off a runway, broke apart and burst into flames during an emergency landing at a Little Rock, Ark., airport. Eleven people were killed and at least 83 others were injured in the crash, which occurred during a gusty hail storm. Winds of 90 mph caused the aircraft to slam into a steel light pole, split into pieces and catch fire, coming to a rest at the edge of the Arkansas River.

June 7 — The WNBA announced its selection of Indiana, Miami, Portland, Ore., and Seattle as expansion franchises to begin play in the 2000 season. The additions brought the two-year-old women's basketball league to 16 teams. Eight teams were part of the WNBA when play began in 1997 with franchises in Charlotte, Cleveland, Houston, New York, Los Angeles, Phoenix, Sacramento and Utah. Teams were added in Detroit and Washington before the 1998 season, and in 1999, Minnesota and Orlando joined the league.

June 15 — Rosa Parks, 86, the black woman whose refusal to give up her bus seat to a white man made her a symbol for civil rights, received the Congressional Gold Medal, the highest honor bestowed by the U.S. Congress, during a ceremony in the Capitol Rotunda. She was lauded by President Clinton and House and Senate leaders. As a recipient of the award, Parks was in elite company with people like Nelson Mandela and Mother Teresa having been honored before her.

June 29 — Sportscaster Marv Albert was rehired by NBC as one of the announcers on the network's NBA crew. The move came two years after he was fired in a lurid sex scandal, which resulted in a guilty plea for sexual assault of a woman in a Virginia hotel room. In December, it was announced that Albert would return next fall to his former position as NBC's lead basketball announcer.

Millions gathered all over Europe and gazed curiously skyward to see the moon smother the light of the sun as the last total solar eclipse of the millennium swept across the continent in August. The eclipse, moving at a speed of 1,500 m.p.h., cast darkness on the land for about two minutes. It will be 82 years before Europeans see another solar eclipse.



Maurice Greene of the United States made a last-minute decision to run the 100 meters in an Athens, Greece, invitational in June. When it was over, he had run the fastest time in history. Greene finished the 100 meters with a time of 9.79, a full five-hundredths of a second faster than the record set by Donovan Bailey of Canada at the 1996 Atlanta Olympics.



Michael Probst/AP

Prince Edward, the youngest child of Queen Elizabeth, and publicist Sophie Rhys-Jones were married in a modest ceremony at St. George's Chapel inside Windsor Castle in June. The prince chose to forgo the royal pageantry that had accompanied the weddings of his siblings, most notably Prince Charles, all of which ended in divorce.



Alastair Grant/AP

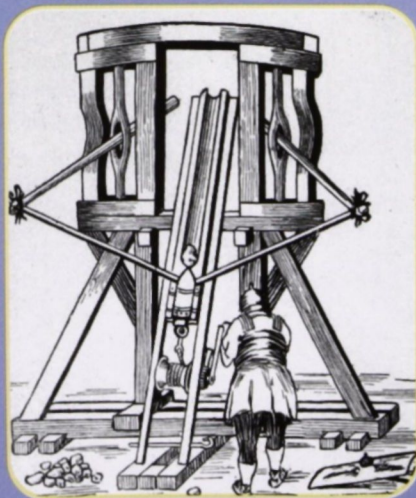


MILLENNIUM XII CENTURY

The advent of **revolutionizing weaponry** in the early 12th Century, such as crude cannons, paper grenades and iron bombs, changed the way battles were fought. Gunpowder allowed weapons to be designed for tactical use and eventually led to standing armies and centralized power.

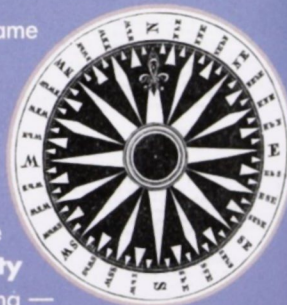
In 1117, the first known reference to the **nautical compass** was made in a book by Chinese scholar Zhu Yu. Although the first European

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mention of the compass came more than 70 years later, venturesome Western sailors used it to sail west and eventually circumnavigate the globe.

Some 62 years after the **first modern university** — the University of Bologna — was founded in Bologna, Italy, the university concept finally caught on. The University of Paris, founded in 1150, served as a model for the creation of University of Oxford in 1187, each boasting faculties in theology, law, medicine and liberal arts.



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Eileen Collins became the first female shuttle commander when she piloted the Columbia into space in July. Despite a fuel leak and a short-circuit in wiring, Collins and her crew successfully deployed the Chandra X-ray Observatory during their five-day mission. She was one of only 29 female astronauts employed by NASA.

Nils Meilvang/AP



Lance Armstrong became only the second American to win the Tour de France, when he outdistanced his opponents by an impressive seven minutes and 37 seconds in July. Having beaten the odds against testicular cancer only two years before, Armstrong's convincing Tour de France victory inspired the world.

Aaron Favila/AP



Residents of East Timor voted in August to end 24 years of occupation by Indonesia, resulting in a fierce crusade of violence and intimidation by anti-independence militias. Thousands were killed in the aftermath of the vote. In October, after multinational forces intervened, Indonesia eventually relinquished control of the newly independent colony.

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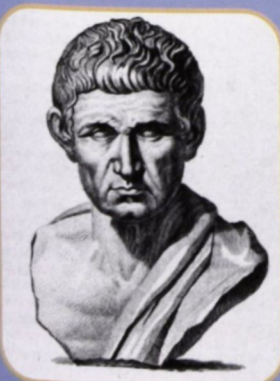
July 23 — The third time was not a charm for the Woodstock rock festival, when the third such event in 30 years endured riot-like conditions. Riled-up rock fans went on a rampage toward the end of the weekend event, starting fires and trashing the Rome, N.Y., concert site. Surprisingly, no one was seriously injured and ultimately the fans supported participating bands such as Kid Rock, Rage Against the Machine and the Dave Matthews Band.

August 3 — *Talk*, the much-ballyhooed new magazine from former *New Yorker* Editor Tina Brown, hit newsstands. The first issue featured a cover story on Hillary Rodham Clinton, talking candidly about the indiscretions of her husband, Bill, and her future in politics. In a sly political move, New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, Hillary's likely opponent in the 2000 Senate race, rejected the original site for the magazine's launch party, which eventually took place at the Statue of Liberty.

August 22 — Martin Lawrence was hospitalized and subsequently fell into a coma after collapsing from heat stroke a month before the scheduled opening of his new movie, "Blue Streak." It was later reported that Lawrence had been jogging in heavy clothing with temperatures soaring into the 90s. The comic actor's publicist insisted it was all part of Lawrence's normal workout routine. Lawrence completely recovered after about three weeks in the hospital and was released just in time for the premiere.

August 31 — The final Lilith Fair gig was performed in Edmonton, Alberta, culminating the fourth summer for the touring music festival that broke new ground for female musicians. Joining founder Sarah McLachlan on stage for the final round of concerts were Sheryl Crow, Dixie Chicks, Indigo Girls, Lisa Loeb and a host of others.

Islamic translations of the works of **Aristotle** and Plato began in 1169. The classical works were rescued from centuries of neglect and suppression by the Catholic Church with translations by Ibn Rushd and other Muslim scholars.



After completion of the first three stories of the **Torre Pendente di Pisa (Tower of Pisa)** in 1174, the edifice began to settle to the south. Engineers made several attempts to try to counter the problem, but to no avail. When the 189-foot, eight-story tower was finished in the 14th Century, it had developed a southern lean of more than 17 feet.



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All 217 passengers on EgyptAir Flight 990 were killed when the Boeing 767 crashed into the Atlantic off the Massachusetts coast. As search crews recovered pieces of the airliner from the ocean floor, speculation mounted that relief pilot Gamil al-Batouty intentionally crashed the plane. Information collected from the flight data recorder did reveal that al-Batouty turned off the engines and deployed the speed brakes. Although U.S. investigators suspected that al-Batouty had a death wish, no suicide note or evidence of terrorism emerged.

Maria Melin/AP



Ron Frehm/AP



The New York Yankees put the finishing touches on their "Team of the Century" designation by sweeping the Atlanta Braves in the World Series. By beating the Braves, the Yankees claimed their second-straight world championship sweep and the team's 25th World Series win overall. The Yankees are the only team in baseball history to chart back-to-back sweeps in the World Series, having done it three times.

you said...

Which of the new multi-million dollar TV shows was your favorite?

85% Who Wants to Be a Millionaire

10% Greed

4% Twenty-One

1% Winning Lines

ABC's surprise hit "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" brought television full-circle from its infancy, when prime-time game shows were a mainstay. Hosted by TV's crafty quipster, Regis Philbin, the show became an instant phenomenon and gave ABC its first sweeps win in five years. The other major networks quickly followed suit with their own quiz-show clones, such as FOX's "Greed" and "Twenty One" on NBC.



MILLENNIUM XIII CENTURY

A scientific revolution spread across Europe sparked by new technologies and ideas brought from the Far East by travelers like **Marco Polo**. Sharing the knowledge of the more than 20 years he spent in Asia, Polo inspired Europeans to seek out the Orient and Columbus to sail the Atlantic.

The zero gained a firm foothold in Europe in 1202, having been rejected for two centuries by Christian clergymen who considered the Arabic number system heathenistic. Once rooted in use, the zero eventually transformed the art of European calculation.

Genghis Khan united the nomadic tribes of Mongolia, leading a war of Asian conquest and a bid to conquer the world in 1206. By the time he died in 1227, the Mongol emperor had conquered four times more land than Alexander the Great.



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French explorer Bernard Buigues led an international expedition into a remote area of Siberia in October to excavate a 23,000-year-old woolly mammoth, its body remarkably preserved in the permafrost. Named "Jarkov" for the nomadic family that discovered it, the ancient mammoth was airlifted to special cold-storage caverns. There, scientists began studying the creature and the soil around it for clues about the environment and what might have caused the species to become extinct.

Kathy Willens/AP



The sensational Williams sisters took professional women's tennis to new heights in 1999 with Venus, 19, and Serena, 18, finishing ranked No. 3 and No. 4 respectively. At the U.S. Open in September, Serena won the singles championship and then teamed with Venus the following day to ace the doubles title.

NBC's "Saturday Night Live" celebrated its 25th anniversary with a live broadcast in September. Current and former cast members joined host Bill Murray on stage for the three-hour special. The program included a moving tribute to John Belushi, Gilda Radner, Phil Hartman and Chris Farley, the "not-ready-for-primetime" players who have died since SNL first aired in 1975.



Francis Latreille/AP

Daniel Hulshizer/AP



Hurricane Floyd brought deadly flood waters to North Carolina in September, killing more than 50 people and causing in excess of \$5 billion in damage. Towns in 61 counties were inundated by flooding in what was deemed the worst disaster in the state's history. Floyd was part of one of the worst hurricane seasons the East Coast had seen in more than 20 years.

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September 15 — A man spouting anti-Baptist rhetoric burst into the Wedgwood Baptist Church in Forth Worth, Texas, and opened fire, killing seven people before sitting in a pew and turning the gun on himself. Seven others were wounded, three of them seriously, in the shooting rampage, which happened during a service for teenagers. More than 150 people were in attendance. The shooting was one of several that occurred during the year, an ominous trend that sparked a nationwide debate on gun control.

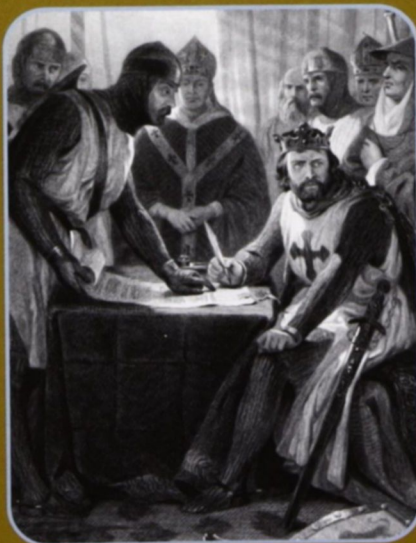
September 25 — Federal health experts announced that the deaths of three people in New York City, originally attributed to mosquito-borne St. Louis encephalitis, were actually caused by a rare bird virus, not previously seen in the Western Hemisphere. Officials said the fatalities, in addition to more than 100 cases of illness, had been reclassified and were now being linked to a virus called the West Nile fever-like virus. Since the virus was usually found in Africa, they could not explain how it had traveled to New York.

September 27 — A sellout crowd of nostalgic Detroit baseball fans joined Hall of Fame players and the ghosts of past glory to say farewell to Tiger Stadium after 88 seasons. The American League team would be moving to the \$290 million Comerica Park about a mile away. Tiger Stadium, home of some of the greatest players in baseball history, including Ty Cobb, Hank Greenberg and Al Kaline, opened April 20, 1912, the same day as Fenway Park in Boston, which would now be the league's oldest stadium.

October 4 — Two commuter trains smashed into each other during morning rush hour in central London and burst into flames, killing more than 70 people and sending another 150 people to area hospitals. Considered one of the country's worst train crashes in half a century, investigators eventually determined that the crash was caused by one of the trains passing a red signal.

Faced with the threat of civil war and weakened by losses in France and an ongoing conflict with the church, King John of England bowed to demands by English barons who wanted more governmental control by signing the **Magna Carta** in 1215. The document not only served as the foundation for future forms of government in England, but eventually helped shape the U.S. Constitution.

Xanadu was founded in 1265 on the site now occupied by Beijing. Built by Kublai Kahn, the first emperor of the Yuan Dynasty who ruled during a time of widespread prosperity, Xanadu would eventually become China's first capital.



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An earthquake pounded the island of Taiwan in September, killing more than 2,000 people and toppling thousands of buildings. Measuring 7.6 on the Richter scale, it was Taiwan's worst earthquake on record and one of five major tremblers that struck around the globe between August and November.



Fatima Nevic's eight-pound baby boy, born Oct. 12, 1999, in Sarajevo, was designated the world's six billionth person by the United Nations Population Fund. The organization had estimated the world's population would reach six billion that day, and U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan, in Bosnia-Herzegovina for a two-day visit, said he would declare the first child born in the Bosnian capital after midnight local time "Baby Six Billion." The UNPF reported it had taken 12 years for the population to grow from five to six billion people.

Peter Cosgrove/AP



Planet Hollywood filed for bankruptcy reorganization in October, reporting estimated losses of a third of a billion dollars. The movie-themed restaurant chain debuted in 1991 with the financial backing of such Hollywood superstars as Bruce Willis and Sylvester Stallone.



MILLENNIUM XIV CENTURY

In the 14th Century, Europe descended into a **minor ice age**. Temperatures dropped as floods inundated the coasts, drowning animals and driving people inland. Glaciers expanded, icebergs moved south and the northern seas grew treacherous. The exceptional winters devastated the poor.

The **Black Death**, or plague, an infectious fever spread in urban areas by rat fleas, was first reported in India, spread to China and arrived in Italy aboard ships in 1347. It spread throughout Europe within months, killing more than a third of the population or some 30 million people.

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Seaborne trade prospered in the 14th century when monsoons provided swift passage across the Indian Ocean, creating the world's busiest trade routes. Summer monsoons blew ships from Africa to India and the Spice Islands. There the ships idled in port, waiting for winter monsoons to blow them back.

Geoffrey Chaucer began writing "**The Canterbury Tales**" in 1387, completing the bulk of the epic by 1392. Chaucer's classic masterpiece, which in its final form features a round of more than 30 tales by a host of pilgrims, such as the Wife of Bath, the Pardoner and the Cook, consumed the



The accident gave new meaning to the phrase "life imitates art" and Stephen King was just happy he lived to tell about it. The 52-year-old horror novelist made his first public appearance in October after nearly being killed in a roadside accident four months before. King was struck from behind by a motorist as he walked along a wooded road near his summer home in North Lovell, Maine. Thrown 14 feet into a ditch, King suffered multiple broken bones, a collapsed lung and cuts to the head. The driver, Bryan Smith, 42, pleaded "not guilty" to charges of aggravated assault and driving to endanger, and was later penalized with a six-month license suspension.

David Phillip/AP



Payne Stewart, the flamboyant professional golfer who regularly donned knickers and a tam o'shanter cap, was killed along with six others in October when his Lear jet ran out of fuel and plowed into a grassy field in South Dakota. The accident happened just three days before the PGA Tour Championship, a tournament in which Stewart was scheduled to participate. The news came as a shock to fellow golfers, many of whom paid tribute to Stewart by wearing knickers during the final round of the tour championship.

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October 5 — MCI WorldCom Inc., the country's second-largest long-distance company, announced it would purchase Sprint Corp., the No. 3 carrier, in a deal valued at \$129 billion. The deal would be the biggest corporate takeover in history. The combined company, to be called WorldCom, would make up about 30 percent of the \$90 billion U.S. long-distance market as a result of the merger. A short time later, the proposed merger came under criticism in the United States because of concern over its impact on the long-distance telephone and Internet access markets. Nearly six months passed without resolution and the merger remained on hold.

October 6 — Houston won the rights to the NFL's 32nd franchise, beating out Los Angeles and its distinction as the second-largest TV market in the nation. Houston businessman Bob McNair paid \$700 million for the expansion franchise, the highest price ever for a sports team in the United States. NFL owners approved the measure, returning an NFL team to Houston just three years after the Oilers left for Tennessee. As part of the expansion, which will begin with the 2001 season, owners also voted to realign the league.

October 15 — A 29-year-old tomcat named Spike was crowned the world's oldest living cat, having reached a feline age equivalent to 203 human years. Owner Mo Elkington of London, England, insisted that the 10-pound puss has lived so long because she feeds him the "healing" aloe vera plant. Spike was officially entered in the Guinness Book of World Records as the oldest living cat. The world's longest-living cat died in 1998 after having lived 34 years, two months, and four hours.

October 27 — The famous form-fitting, flesh-toned dress Marilyn Monroe donned to sing "Happy Birthday, Mr. President" to President John F. Kennedy was sold for a whopping \$1.27 million, smashing the record for an item of clothing at auction. The previous record for a dress was \$222,500, paid at a 1997 charity auction for the blue velvet dress worn by Princess Diana at a White House dinner during which she danced with actor John Travolta.

Andrew Eccles/AP



you said...

What is your favorite television show?

1. Friends
2. The Simpsons
3. Dawson's Creek
4. Whose Line Is It Anyway?
5. ER



Reed Saxon/AP

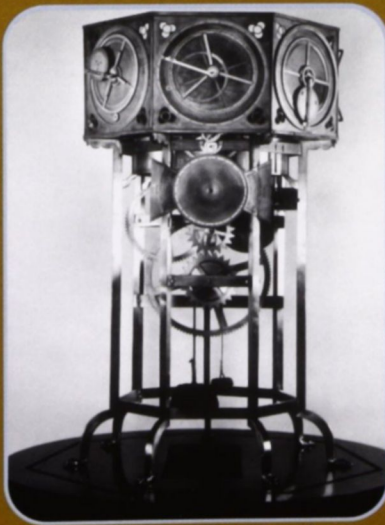
FOX's "Ally McBeal" and ABC's "The Practice" won Emmys for best comedy series and best drama series, respectively, at the 51st Annual Primetime Emmy Awards in September. The shows, both produced by David E. Kelly, took their place among fan favorites like "Friends" and "ER" as television's hottest in 1999.

latter part of his life with new tales being added right up to his death in 1400.

In the mid- to late-14th Century, Europe began to recognize a new sense of time with the advent of large **mechanical clocks**. Measuring out equal hours in town plazas and squares, these new oversized timekeepers became the focal point of civic activities, including colorful ceremonies to reset the clocks.



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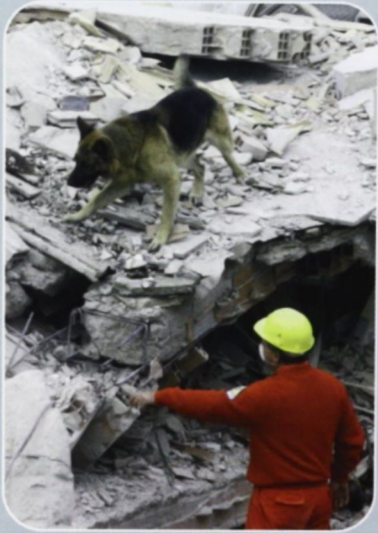


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A six-year-old Cuban boy became the focus of an international tug-of-war after fishermen found him clinging to an inner tube two miles off the Florida coast. Little Elian Gonzalez was caught in the middle of a custody fight between U.S. relatives in Miami's politically powerful Cuban community and his father and grandmothers living in Cuba. The fight escalated far beyond a family feud and was the latest chapter in a decades-long battle between anti-Castro Cubans and Cuban President Fidel Castro. While the Cuba Foreign Ministry demanded the boy's return, lawyers in the United States filed a petition for political asylum.



Domenico Stinellis/AP



A six-story apartment building in Foggia, a province in the southern Puglia region of Italy, collapsed in November while residents were sleeping. More than 30 people died and dozens more were injured in the disaster. Speculation on the cause of the collapse ranged from use of faulty building materials to infiltration of underground water into supporting columns at the ground level.

Damian Dovarganes/AP



NASA's continued efforts to probe the meteorological mysteries of Mars were dashed in December when, for the second time in three months, a space mission to Mars was lost. First, the Mars Climate Orbiter, a robotic satellite, was lost when scientists mixed up English and metric measurements. Then, the Mars Polar Lander and its two surface probes vanished without a trace. The two missions were poised to search for water on Mars, vitally important to determine if life might have once existed there. In the end, losses totaled \$265 million, capping one of NASA's most embarrassing moments in history.



MILLENNIUM XV CENTURY

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Filippo Brunelleschi was credited with sparking the 15th Century **Renaissance** with his painting of a Baptistery in Florence, Italy, which revolutionized art with its use of perspective. Many artists followed, including Donatello, Leonardo da Vinci and Raphael. The Renaissance, driven by the idea of "many-sided" humanism, featured a renewed zeal for classical study and the continued rise of independent, secular thinking.

Joan of Arc led French forces to decisive victories in 1453 to help end the Hundred Years War. The conclusion of the war ended English claims to the French throne and furthered English expansionism on the continent, as well as assuring France's future as a nation.



German goldsmith Johann Gutenberg printed the first complete book in the West and the first book printed from movable type in 1455 by adapting a wine press for new uses. **Gutenberg's new printing press**, featuring lead type and oil-based ink, was used almost exclusively for the next 350 years, triggering an information revolution and creating a literate middle class.



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Russian President Boris Yeltsin unexpectedly resigned on the eve of the new millennium, apologizing to the nation for what he characterized as a failure to fulfill their dreams during his eight years of power. Yeltsin stressed that he was not leaving because of his health, but because "it was time to go." Deteriorating health and alleged corruption marred much of his presidency, however he will forever be remembered for dismantling communism in the former Soviet Union.



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Anti-trade protesters descended upon the streets of Seattle to rally for human rights, labor, the environment and other concerns during World Trade Organization meetings in December. The protests turned violent and resulted in widespread vandalism, causing police to use tear gas and fire rubber bullets on people. The National Guard was deployed, a curfew was set and more than 500 people were arrested. No serious injuries resulted, but downtown merchants reported more than \$2 million in property damage and \$17 million in lost retail sales.



Stephan Savoia/AP

November 1 — In yet another steamy scene from FOX's highly rated sitcom, "Ally McBeal," Calista Flockhart and Lucy Liu locked lips in a forbidden kiss that had the network squawking at first. It took some doing, but producer David E. Kelley convinced the network to air the kiss, which resulted in one of the show's highest-rated episodes.

November 4 — The Cleveland Indians were sold for a record \$320 million in an agreement between owner Richard Jacobs and lawyer Larry Dolan and Dolan family trusts. With Jacobs at the helm, the Indians went from a last-place finisher to a perennial powerhouse, having won the American League Central Division for five years straight. The transaction, which must gain the approval of major league owners, was expected to close by the end of March.

The 20th anniversary of the 1979 hostage crisis in Iran was observed in November. In Hermitage, Pa., ceremonies were held at the site where 444 flags still fly in remembrance, one flag for each day the 52 U.S. hostages were in captivity. Activities in Iran were a little more volatile with thousands of Iranians converging on the former U.S. embassy in Tehran, many of whom chanted "Death to America!" Although tensions between the two countries eased somewhat during the 1990s, Iran continued to reject U.S. offers for official talks.



Gene Puskar/AP

November 10 — From off the dusty shelf, the Eagles' first greatest hits album was certified by the Recording Industry Association of America as the top-selling record of all time. The distinction came more than two decades after the album's release with the U.S. sale of its 26-millionth copy. Michael Jackson's "Thriller" previously held the record with 25 million copies sold.

November 11 — An explosion at a Flint, Mich., nursing home killed seven people and injured more than 20 others. All 94 residents of the Clara Barton Terrace Convalescent Home were in the building at the time of the blast, which led to the collapse of part of the building into its basement and shook homes in a three-block radius. Fire officials later determined that a gas boiler in the basement exploded.

Four failed attempts behind him, Italian explorer **Christopher Columbus** sailed west from Spain in 1492 with three small ships and a Spanish crew and stumbled upon a new world. His discovery? Two giant continents rich in raw materials and agricultural products that eventually changed the economy and politics of the world at large.



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November 30 — Disney/Pixar's "Toy Story 2," the animated sequel with Tom Hanks and Tim Allen reprising the voices of talking toys Woody the sheriff and space ranger Buzz Lightyear, broke Thanksgiving box office records by taking in an impressive \$81 million in five days. In its extended release, the movie amassed more than \$230 million in three months.

Pokémon, Japan's cuddly cartoon critters, became one of the most popular trends in 1999, creating a frenzy for children of all ages with toys, video games, comic books, trading cards and a feature film. The animated "pocket monsters" also invaded television with a weekly cartoon series. The Pokémon franchise exploded with more than \$6 billion in sales worldwide, making it even more profitable than the entire video game industry.



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A ferry carrying 336 passengers caught fire, broke up and capsized in the frigid waters off the eastern coast of China in November, killing more than 200 people. The maritime disaster, China's worst in more than a decade, was caused by gale-force winds that created 16-foot waves in near-freezing conditions. Officials reported that about half of those who perished died when they leapt from the ferry into the icy waters.



Kathy Willens/AP

you said...

What was the silliest trend of the year?

1. Capri Pants
2. Pokémon
3. Bleached Hair
4. Butterfly Hair Clips
5. Piercing



MILLENNIUM XVI CENTURY

The bulk of the 16th Century was known as the Elizabethan Era, named as such in honor of England's Virgin Queen, **Elizabeth I**. Daughter of Henry VIII, Elizabeth ascended the throne in 1558. Described as a supremely skilled diplomat, who was pragmatic as well as being a visionary, Elizabeth's 45-year span as Queen of England was one marked by stability, growth and spectacular achievement.

A Spanish expedition of five ships, led by Portuguese navigator and explorer **Ferdinand Magellan**, set out in 1519 to find a western route to the Spice Islands. Magellan's crews faced down mutiny, deaths, desertions and near starvation to become the first Europeans to cross the Pacific from east to west. By 1522, Magellan had been slain and only one of the five ships made it back to Spain.



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The Columbine High School football team won Colorado's Class 5A state championship in December, bringing triumph to a school mired in tragedy. The 21-14 win over Cherry Creek High School came just eight months after the April 20 massacre, in which two seniors at the Littleton school killed 12 students and a teacher before committing suicide. Although the heartache of the tragic event will likely never subside, the gridiron success gave many in the school and community solace as they tried to put the pieces of their lives back together.



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David Phillip/AP



Twelve Texas A&M University students were killed in November when thousands of logs being erected for a bonfire collapsed. Sixty to 70 students were working to assemble the logs for the bonfire when the structure, standing 45 feet tall, collapsed. The bonfire, a school tradition dating back to 1909, was scheduled on the eve of Texas A&M's annual football game against its arch-rival, the University of Texas. An emotional tribute to the 12 fallen students was held during halftime of the game, which Texas A&M went on to win.

Tiger Woods went on a golfing rampage in 1999, compiling incredible numbers en route to completing one of the most successful individual seasons in PGA history. Woods won eight PGA tournaments, equaling the mark set by Johnny Miller in 1974, and capped off the season with four straight victories. His winnings totaled \$6.6 million, an all-time best in professional golf. Woods added two more victories to his winning streak to start the 2000 season before losing at the Buick Invitational in February.



Michael Green/AP

In the early 1500s, scientific scholars still held to the idea that the universe was geocentric, with a stationary Earth placed at the center of several concentric, rotating spheres, each containing either a single planet, the sun or all the stars. For **Niclas Copernicus**, that theory did not add up. Shortly before his death in 1543, Copernicus published his argument, contending that the universe was heliocentric, with the stars and planets revolving around the sun.

Pope Gregory XIII commissioned a **new calendar** in 1582 to make up for lost time. The lost time was attributed to an imperfection in Julius Caesar's original calendar, which was instituted in 46 B.C. Caesar's calendar left 11 minutes unaccounted for each year, and by 1545 had resulted in the vernal equinox being 10 days off. Thus, Pope Gregory had 10 days cut from the year, resulting in an immediate jump from Oct. 4, 1582, to Oct. 15, 1582.



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December 1 — Pete Rose, baseball's all-time hits king, took his case for reinstatement to the Internet. Having been banned from any participation in Major League Baseball for more than 10 years for illegal betting, Rose signed up with sportcut.com, a sports and entertainment web site, that prompted fans to vote on whether Rose should be let back into the game. By the end of the day, the web site had received more than two million hits and over 100,000 visitors had signed the petition to reinstate Rose. The 4,256 hits and .303 lifetime batting average of the former Cincinnati Reds and Philadelphia Phillies star made him a shoo-in for the Hall of Fame, if only the ban could be lifted. The ultimate decision was for Commissioner Bud Selig, who had not budged on the issue.

December 7 — A homeless couple in Worcester, Mass., was charged with involuntary manslaughter in the aftermath of a blaze in an abandoned warehouse that killed six firefighters. The two allegedly fled after failing to rescue their pets and did not report the blaze. Initially, two firefighters entered the building after hearing people may be inside, but became lost in thick smoke and radioed for help. Four other firefighters went in to find them. All six died in the fire, which was believed to be the nation's deadliest for firefighters since 1994, when 14 were killed in a Colorado forest.

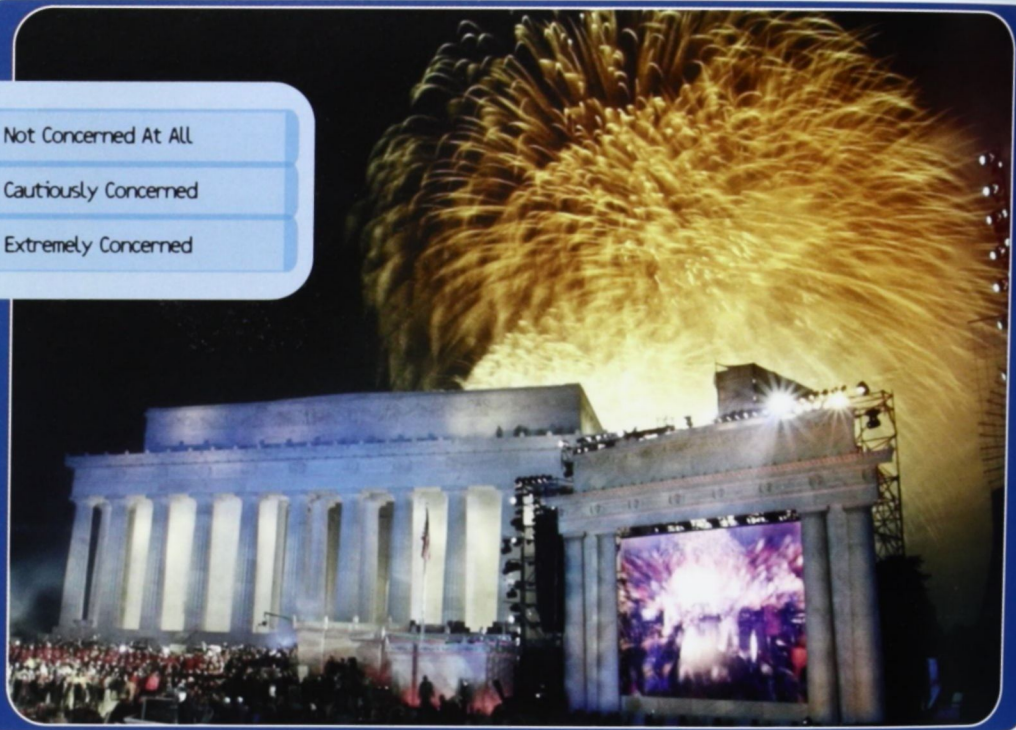
December 25 — Comedian Jerry Seinfeld, 45, married 28-year-old public relations executive Jessica Sklar a little over a month after their surprise engagement. Seinfeld's courtship with his soon-to-be bride was anything but funny for Broadway producer Eric Nederlander, Sklar's estranged husband. Nederlander and Sklar had exchanged vows just a few weeks before she met Seinfeld. The two forbidden lovers were photographed together several times, which eventually resulted in Nederlander filing for divorce.

you said...

In relation to the anticipated Y2K problems, how concerned were you?

72%	Not Concerned At All
26%	Cautiously Concerned
2%	Extremely Concerned

After predictions of the Apocalypse spurred years of preparations and precautionary spending in excess of \$500 billion worldwide, the year 2000 came without incident. Y2K brought only minor glitches despite concerns over a technologically triggered Doomsday. As celebration of the new year subsided, there was growing criticism of the media, the government and a multitude of entrepreneurs for their part in the Y2K hysteria. Also at issue was the question of the new millennium, with purists arguing that it was still a year away.



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In the highest-scoring Sugar Bowl game ever played, top-ranked Florida State outlasted No. 2 Virginia Tech, 46-29, to claim the National Championship. The Seminoles trailed the Hokies late in the third quarter before scoring 18 unanswered points for the win. Florida State ended the season with a perfect 12-0 record and became the first team to start and finish a season ranked No. 1 since the preseason ratings system began in 1950.



MILLENNIUM XVII CENTURY

English physicist and mathematician **Isaac Newton** was the 17th Century's most significant genius. His quest for answers gave us the law of universal gravitation, calculus, a new theory of color and light, and the three laws of motion that form the basis of modern physics. Intelligent and skillful, Newton unified the discoveries of Galileo, Kepler and others, formalizing and modifying physical science.

King James I granted a charter to open the Americas in 1606, making way for settlement in the New World by European immigrants. The first American colony, **Jamestown**, was established in 1607. Life there was not pleasant with settlers having to contend with harsh weather, sometimes hostile natives, disease and food short-



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ages. It took its toll and, six months after their first landings, the original 600 settlers had been reduced to a mere 60.

The **first newspaper** appeared in Strasbourg, Germany, in 1609. Published weekly, the *Relation* was followed by other newspapers printed with movable type in England, Italy and the Netherlands. These newspapers were costly to produce and were printed for the wealthy and educated readers. It wasn't until the mid-1800s when the American "penny press" made newspapers available to the general public.

The birth of the telescope can be traced to Italian astronomer, physicist and mathematician **Galileo Galilei**, who in 1609 built a telescope and made several profound astronomical discoveries, finding that four large moons orbited Jupiter, Venus had phases and the sun had spots. Galileo published his



Pro Bowl linebacker Ray Lewis of the Baltimore Ravens was charged with murder in February in the stabbing deaths of two people outside an Atlanta nightclub just a few hours after Super Bowl XXXIV was in the books. Lewis, the NFL's leading tackler in 1999, became the second NFL player to be charged with murder in a span of 30 days. In January, Carolina Panthers wide receiver Rae Carruth was charged with first-degree murder in the shooting death of Cherica Adams, who was pregnant with their son. At the time, Carruth had the distinction of being the only active NFL player to be charged with murder in the league's history. Lewis and Carruth both pleaded "not guilty" to their respective murder charges and were awaiting trial.

After months of speculation and a whole lot of political maneuvering, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton formally announced her candidacy for the U.S. Senate in February. Running for the seat being vacated by Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-New York, Clinton was prepared to face opposition from Rudolph Giuliani, the Republican mayor of New York. Although Giuliani had not officially entered the race, rumors to that effect had been circulating for nearly 18 months. Polls showed Giuliani with a slight overall lead over Clinton, who was being criticized for the short term of her residency in the Empire State. Political analysts expected the Clinton/Giuliani Senate race to be the most expensive in the nation's history, and possibly the most vicious.



Bebeto Matthews/AP



Kevorg Djanszian/AP

HBO's new smash hit, "The Sopranos," had a big night at the 57th Annual Golden Globe Awards in January. The show, which follows the life and times of a New Jersey mob family, earned four Golden Globes for its first season on the air. James Gandolfini and Edie Falco won trophies for best actor and best actress in a drama series, while Nancy Marchand won for best supporting actress. "The Sopranos" also won the Golden Globe for best drama series.

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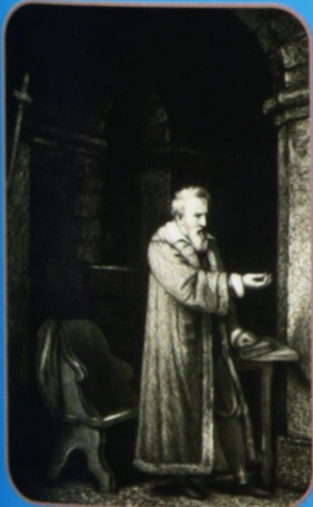


January 18 — "Spin City" star Michael J. Fox announced he would leave the highly rated series, but not show business, to better concentrate on his fight against Parkinson's disease. Fox, who also co-produced the show, broke seven years of silence last year when he revealed he was afflicted with the degenerative neurological disorder. Fox said he would leave the show at the end of the season. In February, ABC came to terms with Charlie Sheen to replace Fox as deputy mayor and renewed the show's contract through 2001.

January 19 — The Washington Wizards announced the hiring of retired NBA legend Michael Jordan as the team's president of basketball operations, and that he would also become a part-owner. The announcement came almost a year to the date of his retirement from the Chicago Bulls last January. Jordan, 36, led the Bulls to six NBA championships, won five League MVP awards and 10 scoring titles during his incomparable career. The Wizards organization had not experienced a lot of success for more than two decades and Jordan's powerful persona and winner's attitude was strategically meant to bring positive attention to the franchise.

January 19 — A raging fire broke out in a Seton Hall University dormitory as hundreds of students slept, killing three and injuring 58. One student leapt from a window, while others fled into the bitter cold in only their pajamas. The blaze struck Boland Hall, a six-story dorm, at about 4:30 a.m., likely starting in a third-floor lounge. The cause had not been determined. It was later reported that because of a series of false alarms the previous semester, many of the more than 600 students in the building at the time of the fire ignored the fire alarm, thinking it was another prank.

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views, but was later forced to recant his findings before a Catholic Church tribunal in 1633.

Paying the price of cloth and trinkets, Dutch settlers led by **Peter Minuit** purchased the 22-square-mile Manhattans island from Canarsee Delaware Indians in 1626. The land deal was a steal for Minuit's group, considering that at the end of the 20th Century Manhattan was estimated to be worth \$143 billion.



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Carlos Santana, the 52-year-old singer/guitarist who played at the original Woodstock in 1969, ruled the 42nd Annual Grammy Awards in February. The rock legend took home eight Grammys for his 1999 album, "Supernatural," including one for best rock album and two for the single "Smooth" featuring Matchbox 20's Rob Thomas. Santana's eight Grammys were the most won by a single performer in the history of the awards, tying the record set by Michael Jackson in 1983. Joining Santana as multiple Grammy winners were the Dixie Chicks and Sting, both winning two awards each. The Dixie Chicks' "Fly" was named best country album, while Sting's "Brand New Day" earned the Grammy for best pop album.



Vice President Al Gore and former New Jersey Sen. Bill Bradley had the luxury of only worrying about each other as Election 2000 heated up with the primaries in February. Polls in the head-to-head race between the two Democratic presidential hopefuls showed Gore with a commanding 64 percent to 26 percent lead over Bradley. Overall, Gore was behind in the polls against Texas Gov. George W. Bush, the leading Republican candidate, with Bush holding a 50 percent to 46 percent lead. History was also working against the vice president, considering only four sitting vice presidents — John Adams, Thomas Jefferson, Martin Van Buren and George Bush — had ever been elected directly to the presidency.



Kathy Willens/AP

you said...

What was your favorite album of the year?

1. Backstreet Boys - "Millennium"
2. Dixie Chicks - "Fly"
3. Kid Rock - "Devil Without A Cause"
4. Creed - "Human Clay"
5. Blink 182 - "Enema Of The State"



MILLENNIUM XVIII CENTURY

Revolution characterized the times in the 18th Century with both North America and France fighting in the name of liberty. In April 1775, British regulars engaged militia at Lexington and Concord, Mass., to set off the **American Revolution**. After seven years of war, the crown was defeated and American freedom was won.



France was ripe for revolution in 1789, the country bankrupt from backing the American Revolution, its citizens facing starvation. **King Louis XVI** and his queen, Marie Antoinette,

were oblivious to how bad things were, and eventually lost their heads for their ignorance.



James Watt's invention of the single-action **steam engine** in 1769 proved to be the key event in another revolution - the Industrial Revolution. Further refinements by Watt and his partners between 1775 and 1800 resulted in the rotary-action engine. These developments single-handedly revolutionized industry and sparked increased productivity.

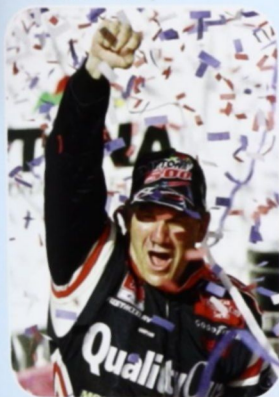
During the summer of 1776, in the midst of a revolution, the Second Continental Congress drafted and

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David Letterman returned to his late-night talk show five weeks after having heart surgery in January. Taking it slow at first, the 52-year-old host mixed in his own appearances with guest hosts as he continued to recover. Letterman underwent an emergency quintuple bypass operation after a test revealed a blocked artery. CBS received a substantial boost in ratings as a result of Letterman's quick return, which happened in the midst of February sweeps.



Chris O'Meara/AP



Winston Cup driver Dale Jarrett captured his third Daytona 500 victory in eight years, matching Bobby Allison's total and leaving him behind only Richard Petty and Cale Yarborough for all-time wins in NASCAR's biggest race. Jarrett led 89 of the 200 laps and passed Johnny Benson four laps from the end, taking advantage of two late cautions. Dominant during the week leading up to the 500, Jarrett easily won the pole position in time trials and dominated the field in a 25-lap race for last year's top qualifiers.

Winter

January 21 — A cyber-confessional was launched allowing sinners to repent by typing transgressions into a space provided in order to make peace with God. Operated by London-based Premier Christian Radio, the web site featured passages from the Bible, inspirational poems and prayers set against a backdrop of blue sky, clouds, sunflowers and leaves. Visitors to www.theconfessor.co.uk were assured that whatever sin they typed in would be erased when the confession was over. The web site made no demands for penance. In a public statement, the Roman Catholic Church condemned the idea.

January 31 — Commissioner Bud Selig levied a 73-day suspension and \$20,000 fine against Atlanta Braves pitcher John Rocker for the racist and homophobic remarks he made in a *Sports Illustrated* article. The suspension was to start at the beginning of spring training and extend through the first 28 days of the season. Selig also ordered the 25-year-old relief pitcher to enroll in sensitivity classes and banned him from even being present during spring training. Rocker and the Players Association began an appeal in February to overturn the decision. Rocker publicly apologized for the comments, but said he believed the penalty was excessive and hoped on appeal it would be overturned or at least reduced significantly.

February 3 — The World Wrestling Federation announced it would form a professional football league with plans to begin play in February 2001. WWF officials said the league would be known as the XFL, indicating that the "X" would stand for "exciting" and "exhilarating," and would feature an emphasis on entertainment. The XFL will use helmet cameras so that viewers can have greater access to activities on the sidelines compared to NFL broadcasts. At the time of the announcement, six cities had signed on to field teams, including New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Miami, Orlando, Fla., and Washington, D.C.

The dark comedy, "American Beauty," which explored the ramifications of letting suburban angst go unchecked, was nominated for eight Oscars in February, more than any other film. Kevin Spacey and Annette Bening were nominated as best actor and best actress, respectively. The movie also earned nominations for best picture, best director, best cinematography and best score.



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restriction of trade to the use of foreign mercenaries. Since its inception, the Declaration of Independence has become the world's most emulated government document.

Mozart, Bach, **Beethoven**. A child prodigy. An under-appreciated genius. A consummate composer. A century indulged with musical mastery. All three made their mark in the 18th Century, leaving behind legacies that will more than likely linger forever.



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adopted the **Declaration of Independence**, "the unanimous Declaration of the thirteen United States of America." Penned by 33-year-old Virginia delegate Thomas Jefferson, the Declaration was meant to explain the American colonies' break with Britain. It listed the offenses of King George III, ranging from



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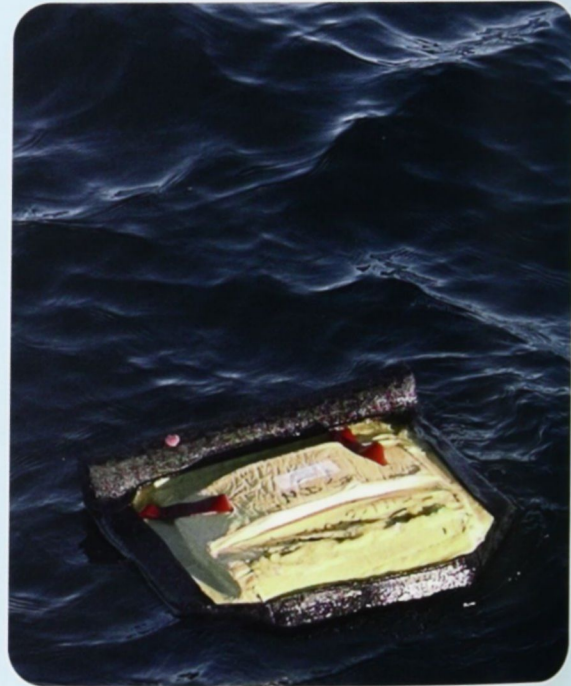
The surprising St. Louis Rams shocked the world first with a 13-3 season and then by rolling to the team's first world championship with a 23-16 win over the Tennessee Titans in Super Bowl XXXIV in January. The Rams' success had a great deal to do with their explosive offense, which was led by first-year quarterback Kurt Warner. A former star for the Iowa Barnstormers in the upstart Arena Football League, Warner took full advantage of his break in the NFL en route to earning League MVP and Super Bowl MVP honors. Notable was the fact that just two years before Warner's storybook season he was out of football and stocking shelves at a grocery store in Iowa.

you said...

Who was the hero of the year?

1. Kurt Warner
2. Christopher Reeve
3. Mark McGwire
4. Bill Clinton
5. Walter Payton

Michael Caulfield/AP



Alaska Airlines Flight 261 lost control and plunged into the ocean off southern California in February, killing all 88 people aboard. Investigators were looking into an unexplained loud noise picked up on the plane's cockpit voice recorder about a minute before it crashed. Early speculation was that a bomb might have been the source of the noise, but that was later ruled out by investigators. The Alaska Airlines crash was one of several air disasters or mishaps that occurred in late 1999 and early 2000.



MILLENNIUM XIX CENTURY

The "method of invention" was said to be the 19th Century's greatest invention. At the center was **Thomas Edison**, who in 1879, gave humans the power to create light without fire by inventing a long-lasting, affordable incandescent lamp. Edison didn't stop there. His other notable inventions included the phonograph, movie camera, and microphone. In addition, he had a hand in the development of television and the telephone. Edison died 52 years after lighting up the world, and on the night following his funeral, Americans dimmed their lights to honor him.



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Railroads and other industrialized machines brought the **invading white man** into the western plains of North America, where tribes of Native Americans were living in harmony. Faced with the loss of their land, resistance was inevitable. A combined force of Sioux and Cheyenne annihilated Gen. George Custer's cavalry at Little Bighorn in 1876, provoking brutal reprisals. While the surviving Indians were herded into reservations, some were offered roles in a theatrical fantasy. In 1883, Buffalo Bill organized



A field of nine candidates quickly became three in the Republican race for the White House with Texas Gov. George W. Bush, Arizona Sen. John McCain and Alan Keyes still standing in February. McCain gained momentum in Election 2000 with a surprise win over Bush in the New Hampshire primary, but lost it immediately when Bush bested him two weeks later in South Carolina. Overall, Bush was leading McCain in the polls by 58 percent to 31 percent, with the remaining 11 percent being spread out among Keyes and Reform Party candidate Pat Buchanan.

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Richard Farnsworth, a 79-year-old former stuntman, became the oldest actor to get an Academy Award nomination when he was singled out for his work in the movie "The Straight Story" in February. The nomination was Farnsworth's second for best actor, coming 22 years after he earned a nod for "Comes a Horseman" in 1977. Prior to Farnsworth, Henry Fonda had been the oldest leading actor when he was nominated for his role in "On Golden Pond" at age 76. Also notable was the fact that the 72nd Annual Academy Awards would feature the third-youngest person ever nominated for supporting actor, 11-year-old Haley Joel Osment of "The Sixth Sense."

Doug Kanter/AP



Fans of the legendary musical, "Cats," the longest-running production in Broadway history, were saddened to learn in February that the show would close the following June after a record-breaking 7,397 performances. The Andrew Lloyd Webber musical would make its final curtain call on June 25, nearly two decades after it opened at New York City's Winter Garden Theater in October 1982. "Cats" played to more than 10 million theatergoers on Broadway, tallying an estimated \$380 million in ticket sales. However, officials reported receipts had dwindled since 1997, at times falling to only 50 percent capacity. Those needing their fix of the feline musical would still have the London production, which had been playing there since 1981.

winter

February 11 — In a twist on TV's "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire" special, twice-divorced Tom Arnold, who used to be married to Roseanne, went online in February to find a bride. On his web site, www.marrytom.com, Arnold announced he was looking for an attractive single woman of child-bearing age, who was good with children and self-confident enough to wear a bathing suit on vacation. The web site also featured biographical information on the 40-year-old actor, who had appeared in 26 movies, including the Arnold Schwarzenegger blockbuster "True Lies" and the Hugh Grant comedy "Nine Months." Applicants were asked to write a short essay, and also to upload a recent photo. In its first two weeks, the site received more than 75,000 responses.

February 15 — Women's groups and social critics were infuriated over the FOX television network's show, "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire," which featured a millionaire selecting a bride from a group of women paraded before him in swimsuits and wedding gowns. However, criticism was the least of worries for creators of the show. Shortly after the broadcast, it was learned that the groom had been under a restraining order in 1991 for allegedly hitting and threatening to kill his ex-fiancee. Officials said that a background check had not revealed information to that effect. FOX subsequently canceled a planned rerun of the show and the bride announced she would be seeking an annulment.

February 20 — An avalanche hit Mount Washington, New England's highest peak, sweeping two skiers down the mountain to their deaths. The accident was said to have occurred due to wind gusts in excess of 60 mph and visibility of only one-sixteenth of a mile from blowing snow and freezing fog. The 6,288-foot mountain was the site of 231 mph winds on April 12, 1934. It was later reported that the two victims failed to check conditions on the mountain that day and, if they had, would have been told to stay away.

the first of his Wild West Shows which would tour the world for the next 30 years.

Charles Darwin developed one of the most important scientific theories of the millennium. Published in 1859, his theories of evolution and natural selection, although widely accepted today, still provoke controversy. Yet **Darwinism** remains one of the most successful scientific theories ever generated.

The issue of slavery in the western territories helped trigger a **civil war in the United States** in 1861. Slavery was abandoned in the industrialized north, opposed by President Abraham Lincoln. In the agricultural south, where slavery was embraced, 11

southern states seceded and formed the Confederacy. The north prevailed in the war, which claimed more than 600,000 lives.



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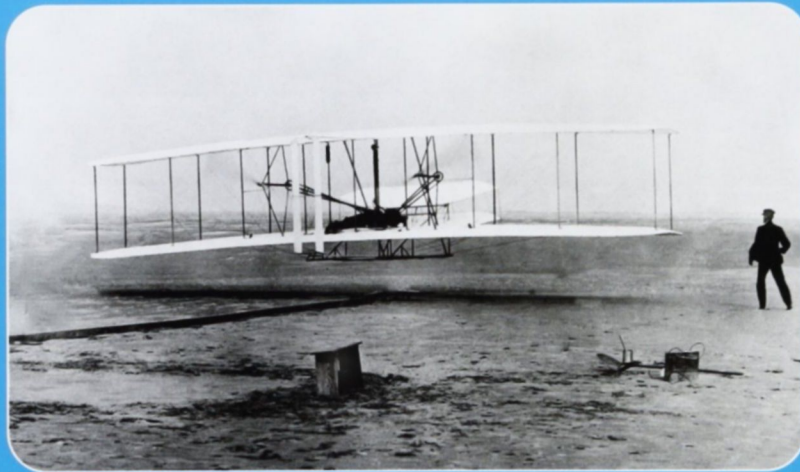
MILLENNIUM XX CENTURY

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The first manned flight of a heavier-than-air craft by the Wright brothers in 1903 was a monumental benchmark, achieving one of humanity's wildest dreams. On a pleasant December day, Orville Wright took to the sky for 12 seconds over the sand dunes of Kitty Hawk, N.C., in an airplane he designed with his brother, Wilbur. Like kids with a new toy, the two brothers, bicycle mechanics by trade, took turns flying the craft made of wood, wire and cloth, at one point keeping it aloft for 59 seconds. The Wright brothers' craft, which they called the Flyer, made what was once considered impossible possible and opened the heavens for the future advancement of flight. Those advancements happened very quickly with nearly all the elements of the modern airplane in place a mere 15 years after Orville and Wilbur's historic day at Kitty Hawk.

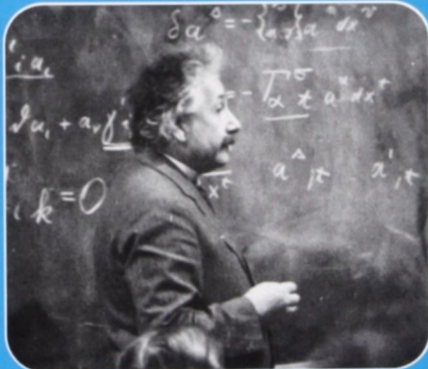


Henry Ford may not have invented the automobile, but he was responsible for the beginning of the automobile age. In 1908, Ford unveiled the Model T, a car for the great multitude priced at \$850. He eventually sold more than 15 million of them, using revolutionary mass production methods that turned out a vehicle every 24 seconds. Before the Ford assembly line and the Model T, the automobile had just been a toy of the rich. It soon became a necessity of life, spawning gas stations, superhighways and traffic jams around the world.



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World War I, also called the Great War, began in 1914 when a Serbian nationalist assassinated Archduke Ferdinand, heir to the Austro-Hungarian throne. Austria-Hungary immediately declared war on Serbia, which prompted other declarations of war, ultimately leading to every major power in Europe getting involved. On one side were the Allies — chiefly France, Britain, Russia, and the U.S. — and on the other were the Central Powers made up of Germany, Austria-Hungary, and Turkey. The war, considered one of the bloodiest in history, ended with the signing of the armistice in 1918. In the end, 10 million were dead and 20 million wounded. This unprecedented bloodshed contributed to a general loathing against war, leading many to support multinational disarmament pacts and the newly formed League of Nations.



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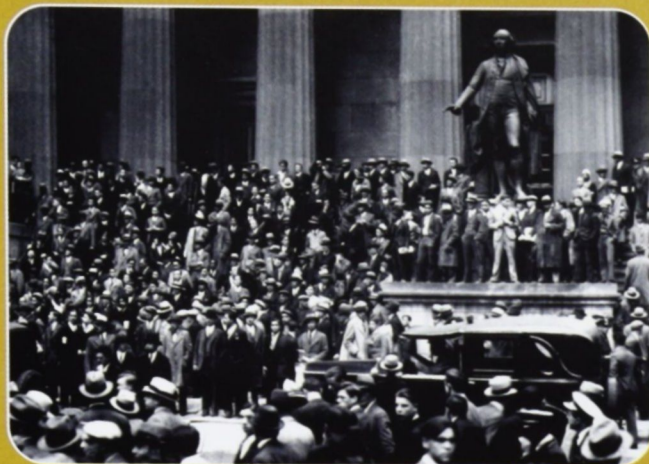


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Einstein. Freud. Picasso. Three fascinating men who left an indelible mark on the 20th Century. Albert Einstein revolutionized the theory of light, greatly advanced physics and scientific inquiry, and changed forever man's view of the universe. Sigmund Freud developed free association, broadened our view of human nature and sexuality and accelerated the age of self-examination. Pablo Picasso helped create Cubism, pioneered innovations in sculpture and lithography and experimented with new media. All three captivated imaginations around the world with their magnificent intelligence and compelling personalities.

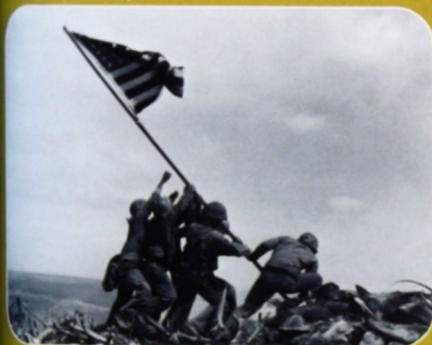
20th Century

The stock market crash in 1929 was an eerie harbinger of the Great Depression, which hung like a black cloud over the 1930s. Between Sept. 3 and Oct. 29, the Dow lost 120 points or nearly one third. That final day, dubbed "Black Tuesday" in the press, wiped out everyone as stock markets all over Europe reacted to the sell off. And, when it seemed like it couldn't get any worse, it did. On Nov. 13, the Dow closed at 199. The New York Stock Exchange fell from \$80 billion to \$50 billion between Sept. 3 and Nov. 13. The damage was done and the Great Depression began.



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The horrific actions of Germany's Adolf Hitler and his Nazi regime against the Jews of Europe, coupled with similar totalitarian regimes in Japan and Italy, launched the Second World War in 1939. With the Japanese bombing of Pearl Harbor in 1941, the U.S. joined Great Britain and the Allied Forces to fight the aggression of the Axis powers. Decisive victories by the Allies led to Italy's surrender in 1943. Germany surrendered unconditionally in 1945, when Hitler committed suicide and the German resistance collapsed. Later that year, with U.S. troops poised to invade Japan's home islands, President Harry Truman ordered the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima and Nagasaki. Japan quickly announced its surrender, thereby bringing to an end the costliest war in history.

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In 1928, General Electric engineer Ernst F.W. Alexanderson laid the crude foundation for television, one of the most powerful, influential media in history. Nineteen years later, with the broadcast of the 1947 World Series, television's growing importance was clinched. By the end of the 1950s, nearly 90 percent of U.S. homes could boast at least one TV set. The world no longer needed to be imagined — now it could be seen and heard.



you said...

What was the most important discovery of the 20th century?

1. Computers
2. Cars
3. The Internet
4. Television
5. Medical Advances

1901 Marconi transmits radio signal across the Atlantic

1906 Earthquake hits San Francisco, "Paris of the West" burns

1909. Plastic invented: revolutionizes products, packaging

1912 "Unsinkable" Titanic, largest man-made structure, sinks

1914 Panama Canal opens, linking the Atlantic and Pacific oceans

1917 Russian revolution ends, Communists take over

1918 Worldwide flu epidemic kills 20 million

1920 Women win the right to vote

1920 Mahandas Gandhi begins leading nonviolent reform movement in India

1927 Charles Lindbergh crosses the Atlantic in first solo flight

1927 Babe Ruth hits 60 home runs; record stands for 34 years

1928 Alexander Fleming discovers the first antibiotic, penicillin

1933 FDR launches "New Deal" legislation to combat depression

1940 Winston Churchill designated Prime Minister of Great Britain

1941 First jet airplane takes flight

1945 Atomic bomb tested in New Mexico

1945 Congress passes "GI Bill of Rights" to help veterans

1947 Jackie Robinson breaks baseball's color barrier

1948 Scientists at Bell Labs invent the transistor

1949. North Atlantic Treaty Organization established



MILLENNIUM XX CENTURY

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Racial unrest simmered to a boil in 1955 with two key events sparking one of the greatest civil rights movements in history. The first involved a young black girl named Linda Brown, who questioned her inability to attend the school nearest her home. *Brown v. the Board of Education of Topeka* eventually resulted in a Supreme Court decision banning segregation in public schools and opening the door to equal access to education for blacks in America. That was just the beginning. A short time after the Brown decision, Rosa Parks, a 42-year-old black woman, refused to give up her seat to a white passenger on a bus in Montgomery, Ala., and was arrested. Martin Luther King Jr. got involved at that point and carried the torch for his people until he was assassinated 13 years later.



you said...

Who was the most influential person of the 20th century?

1. Martin Luther King, Jr.
2. Albert Einstein
3. Mother Teresa
4. Princess Diana
5. Adolf Hitler



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The aspirations of a young leader and a supporting nation came to an abrupt halt on Nov. 22, 1963, when President John F. Kennedy was assassinated by rifle fire while being driven in an open car through the streets of Dallas. JFK's assassination shocked a nation and profoundly changed the way people viewed the world. At 46, Kennedy became the fourth president to be assassinated and the eighth to die in office. The alleged assassin, 24-year-old Lee Harvey Oswald, was shot and killed by nightclub owner Jack Ruby two days later, leaving behind only suspicions of what his motives were and whether or not he was the lone gunman. Although the Warren Commission determined Oswald probably acted alone, the House Select Committee on Assassinations concluded in 1979 that a conspiracy was likely and that it may have involved organized crime. These differing opinions served to bolster the black cloud of controversy that has continued to surround the Kennedy assassination.

Electrifying audiences with their fresh musical talents and boyish good looks, the Beatles took America by storm with their inaugural performance on "The Ed Sullivan Show" in February 1964. Rock music would never be the same as the English quartet's music evolved from a tight rhythm and blues to allusive lyricism. The impact of the Beatles revolutionized the music industry and, in one way or another, touched the lives of all who heard them. The Beatles dominated the 1960s far beyond their music, transforming the world by ushering in a societal shift in which youth culture assertively took over and began to thrive.



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The first U.S. troops were committed to Vietnam in 1961 by President John F. Kennedy at the request of South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem. Their mission was to help fight North Vietnamese communists controlled by Ho Chi Minh and southern rebels of the Viet Cong. The number of troops committed was minimal at first, and the American people accepted the action, believing it was necessary to halt the spread of communism. By 1968, U.S. troop build-up in Vietnam would reach its peak of 549,000 troops. Although there had been notable anti-war sentiment from the beginning, opposition eventually grew to a two to one margin. By 1973, when the war ended and U.S. troops returned home, two to three million Vietnamese and 58,000 Americans had been killed.

20th Century

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What was once thought to be impossible became a reality in 1969, when Apollo 11 astronauts set foot on the moon. Those historic steps were taken by Edwin E. Aldrin Jr. and Neil A. Armstrong, who descended to the moon's surface and landed their lunar module in the Sea of Tranquility. Armstrong stepped first and addressed the world with what has become one of the best-known phrases of modern times: "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." It was also a giant leap ahead for Americans in the space race with Russia. Six additional Apollo missions were made before the end of the program in December 1972 and, with the exception of Apollo 13, all landed successfully on the lunar surface.

The explosion of the space shuttle Challenger in 1986, resulting in the deaths of all seven astronauts aboard, horrified the nation and the world and dealt a severe blow to NASA's fledgling shuttle program. Challenger exploded 73 seconds after liftoff from Kennedy Space Center in Florida, as millions watched on television. A presidential panel determined that the fatal flaw was not in Challenger, but rather a faulty sealant ring in one of two 149-foot-tall solid rocket boosters. Dead as a result of the worst disaster in the history of space exploration was Christa McAuliffe, who was to be the first teacher and private citizen in space, and crew members Frank Scobee, Michael Smith, Judith Resnik, Ellison S. Onizuka, Ronald McNair and Gregory Jarvis. Two years passed before another shuttle was launched into space.



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The first widely used commercial computer, Univac I, was built in 1951 for the U.S. Census Bureau. From vacuum tube logic gates to transistors to microchips, powerful desktop computers and tiny microprocessors helped shape late 20th Century life. Found everywhere by 1990, computers evolved to move the world out of the space age and into the Internet-driven information age. With the Internet and electronic mail, or e-mail, all corners of the globe were now at the computer-user's fingertips.

- 1950 U.S. sends troops to defend South Korea
- 1953 Dr. Jonas Salk's polio vaccine proven effective after testing
- 1957 Soviets launch Sputnik, first space satellite; space race begins
- 1961 Communists build wall to divide East and West Berlin
- 1962 John Glenn becomes first American to orbit the earth
- 1964 The U.S. Surgeon General warns about smoking-related health hazards
- 1965 Congress passes Voting Rights Act, ending suppression of minority votes
- 1968 Presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy assassinated in California
- 1973 Roe v. Wade decision legalizes abortion
- 1974 President Richard M. Nixon resigns after Watergate scandal
- 1978 Louise Brown, first "test-tube baby" born healthy
- 1981 Deadly AIDS disease identified
- 1985 Mikhail Gorbachev becomes Soviet Premier, begins era of "Glasnost"
- 1986 Chernobyl nuclear plant explosion kills more than 7,000
- 1989 World Wide Web revolutionizes the Internet
- 1991 U.S.S.R. dissolves, Mikhail Gorbachev resigns; Boris Yeltsin takes over
- 1993 Apartheid ends in South Africa: law to treat races equally
- 1997 Scientists clone sheep in Great Britain



Lasting IMPRESSIONS



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George C. Scott, the masterful actor and director best known for his portrayal of Gen. George S. Patton, died in September of an aortic aneurysm. Scott's role in the 1970 film, "Patton," earned him the Oscar for best actor, an award he refused to accept because of his belief that the Academy Awards were offensive and innately corrupt. Scott received two other Academy Award nominations for best supporting actor in 1962 and for best actor in 1972, and also won an Emmy for his work in the 1998 remake of "12 Angry Men," which aired on cable television.

Susan Sterner/AP

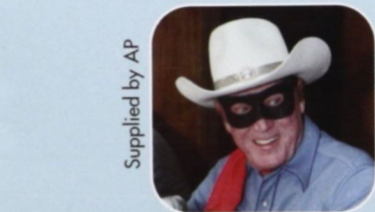


"Peanuts" creator Charles Schulz, 77, died of colon cancer on Feb. 19, just one day before his farewell comic strip was to appear in Sunday newspapers. In his final daily strip, published in early January, Schulz thanked millions of fans all over the world for embracing the comic strip he had penned for more than 50 years. At the end of its historic run, "Peanuts" appeared in 2,600 newspapers in 75 countries and 21 languages, making it the world's most widely read comic strip.

Reed Saxon/AP



Basketball legend Wilt Chamberlain, 63, died in October of an apparent heart attack. Considered one of the greatest centers to ever play the game, Chamberlain's 100-point game in 1962 remains as one of the most revered records in all of sports. His hall-of-fame career with the Philadelphia 76ers and Los Angeles Lakers also includes NBA records for most rebounds in a game, 55, and for averaging over 50 points per game for an entire season.



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Clayton Moore, a.k.a. the Lone Ranger, died in July of a heart attack at the age of 85. The masked hero of television and films became an American icon, racing on horseback to the "William Tell Overture" and with his customary cry of "Hi-Yo, Silver!" Having been an acrobat before becoming an actor, Moore was also well-known for doing his own stunts on film.

John Swart/AP



Walter Payton, the NFL's all-time rushing leader, died of cancer in November, just 10 months after announcing he had a rare liver disease and would need a transplant to live. Nicknamed "Sweetness" for his effortless running style and caring personality, the Hall of Fame running back set 10 all-time NFL records, including most career rushing yards, 16,726, and most career carries at 3,838. Payton's single-game mark of 275 rushing yards against Minnesota in 1977 is a record many believe will never be broken.

- Rose Bird, 63, California chief justice
- Harry Blackmun, 90, Supreme Court justice
- John Chafee, 77, U.S. Senator
- Craig Claiborne, 79, food critic
- Quentin Crisp, 90, writer
- Allen Funt, 84, television host
- Catfish Hunter, 53, MLB Hall of Famer
- Madeline Kahn, 57, actress
- Gil Kane, 73, comic book artist
- Hedy Lamarr, 86, actress
- Tom Landry, 75, NFL coach
- Greg Moore, 24, race car driver
- Bobby Phillips, 30, NBA star
- Abraham Polonsky, 88, screenwriter
- Mario Puzo, 78, writer
- Bill Quackenbush, 77, NHL Hall of Famer
- Christopher "Big Pun" Rios, 28, rapper
- Derrick Thomas, 33, NFL star
- Mel Torme, 73, jazz musician

New fall NJHS members leave the induction ceremony; Jessica Bennett, David Leslie, Kristen Hudson, Allison Amara, Jessica Baffa, Aileen Kucsera, Kathryn Seck-

man, Crystal Lane, Katie Hall.

Sophomore Cathrine Amara shows her poster for the Bailor Institute campaign.



The National Honor and Junior Honor Societies have done a few very important things. Fund raisers for the Bailor University Bone Marrow Insitute, child watching, safety programs for the elementary school, two induction ceremonies, and a Leadership conference highlighted their activities and service projects.

The NHS and NJHS collected and donated around \$200 for Bailor University Bone Marrow Institute over the Christmas season. The institute is a research facility helping people with leukemia and other cancers. The contribution of this chapter helped save the life of someone in the United States.

The Honor Society participated in children oriented projects. During a few SAC meetings, Honor Society members insured the safety of children, all for free. They also performed skits for the elementary classes to promote the aspects of Halloween safety.

The organization helped set up the career day held at school by conducting a survey of student interests.

October 28 and March 14 were important days, as the induction of new members into this esteemed club occurred.

A day of meeting with other UK chapters, as well as seminars to exchange ideas for projects, fund raisers, community service, and learning leadership skills occurred on March 3, at London Central.

by Aaron Ledford



DIFFERENT BY DISTINCTION

Honor Society members: Front row; Treasurer Melinda Lynch, Alex Concilio, Cassie Fink, Jessica Baffa, Crystal Lane. Second row: Robert Fisher, Allison Amara, Maureen Cummins, Cathrine Amara, Sponsor Ms. Cindi Taggart. Third row; Secretary Breon Wells, Kevin Wallior, Tequila Bowen, Katie Hall, Kathryn Seckman, Alicia Christensen, Kristen Hudson, Victoria Stiegel. Back row; Jon Meyer, Parliamentarian James Meyer, Andrew Concilio, Aaron Ledford, Sarah Bertino, Santi Castilleja. Absent President Leland Lambert and Vice President Chris Zimmer.

Yearbook started with only ten people, who definitely wanted a yearbook. Recognizing that they had to raise \$10,000 to pay for the publishing, photography, and shipping was a mountain to overcome. However, the yearbook class was determined to get a yearbook out no matter what.

The first sales took place at Open House, which committed the staff to follow their ideals. With only a small staff, each doing pieces of the yearbook, and only three people, taking pictures, sometimes it seemed that they would never get done. Day two of class was very confusing as Ms. Sharon Curran, Sheldon Horne and Brian Hardin were the only people with experience in yearbook. A week later, most everyone knew the basics. It took a week to find a theme, then to select style elements and a cover consumed more hours. Students and teachers volunteered to do pages, provide photos or write copy. These helpful friends made things go much smoother.

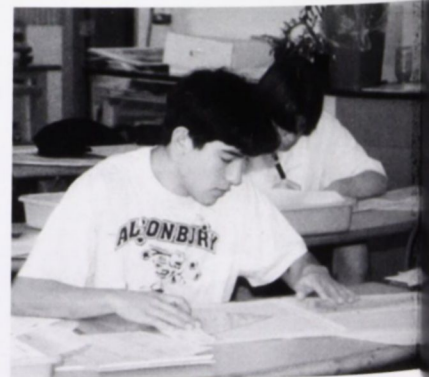
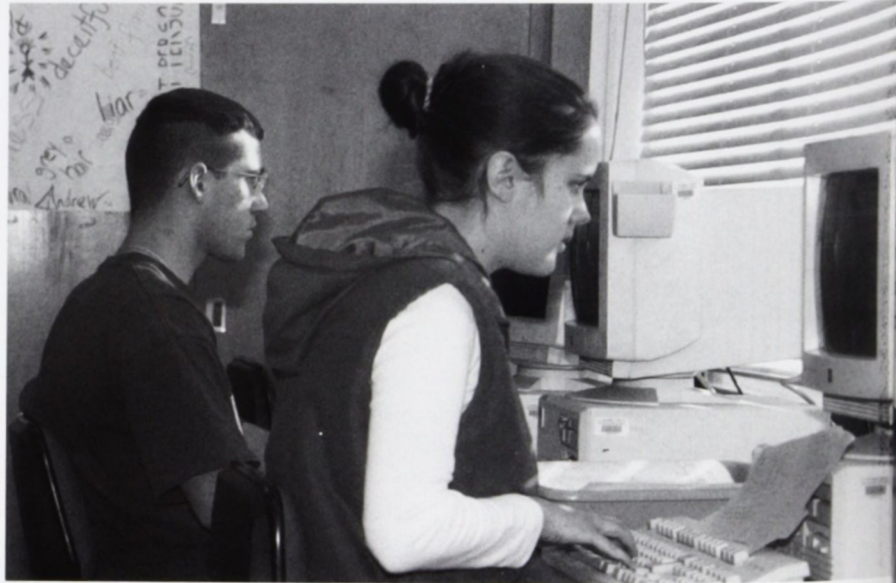
By the middle of first quarter, the yearbooks' unique cover was designed. Each staff member chose pages to create. They learned a computer program. Every day brought new challenges. Two quarters later as deadlines loomed, the yearbooks pages were sent to the publisher in Missouri, to become a reality.

At the end of the year, the yearbook staff's work of art arrived and was distributed.

By Will Mangual

Yearbook Staff. Front; Mike Grady, Will Mangual, Marcel Cartier. Back; Lisa Bixler, TK Konecny, Sarah Hall, Michelle Rodriguez, Sheldon Horne and Brian Hardin.

Seniors TK Konecny, and Lisa Gutowski finish the fall sports section.



Sophomore Mike Grady designs on a layout for the Freshmen.

Junior Sarah Hall checks the corrections that need to be done for the yearbook.

Senior Brian Hardin and Sophomore Will Mangual organize folio tabs for pages.

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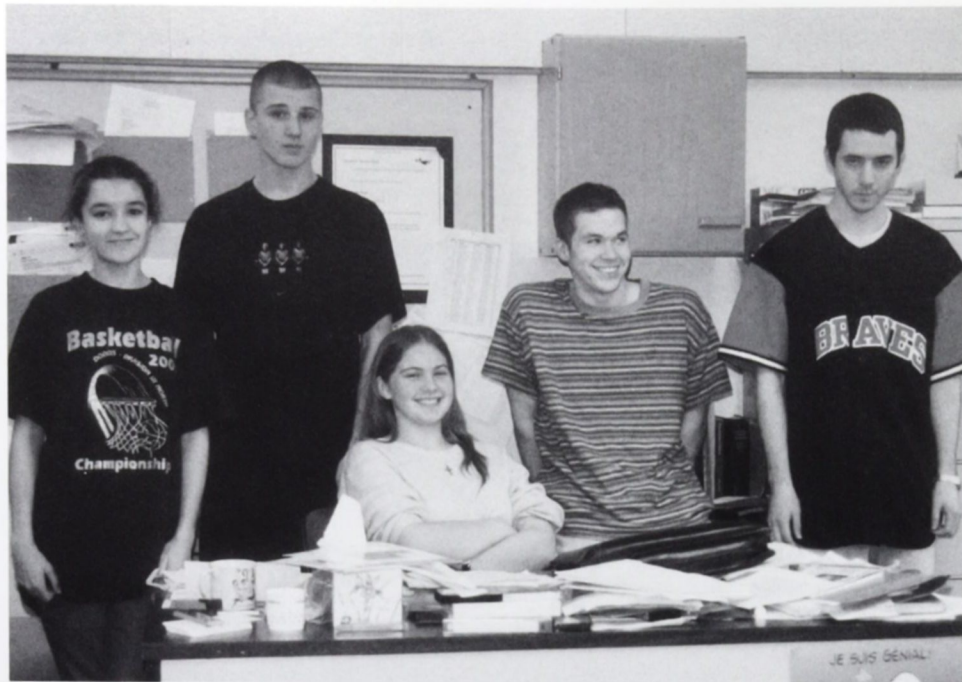
The Academic Games or "Brain Bowl" was held in Hambachtal Resort, Germany, March 16-17. This was the third year Alconbury participated.

Interested students met on Fridays at lunch to test their knowledge on academic and trivia with questions from National Geographic Global Pursuit, Trivial Pursuit, past academic games and Internet and College Bowl questions.

In February, there was an in-house competition to pick the final team. Each team is composed of four members, one from each class and one alternate from any class.

Each round is timed, lasting a maximum of 20 minutes or 46 questions. It is a double elimination tournament to select the European winner.

by Joan White, Sponsor



Ms. Joan White is the trainer and sponsor for the "Brain Bowl" competition. Academic Games Team: Sophomore Laura Whiteside, Freshman Jon Meyer, Alternate Victoria Stiegel, Junior Aaron Ledford, Senior Chris Block.

On The Horizon



The Dragon Flame Staff: Seated; Michelle Rodriguez, Philip Gray, Maureen Cummins, Ashley Thomas, Distribution Manager Bryon Melter. Standing; Melinda Lynch, Robert Fisher, Johnna Ellington, Stephanie Gartland, Felicity Gartland, Editor Stacey Snyder, Sponsor Ms. Karen Eells, Kathleen Bacon, Angela Elliott.

The first edition of The Dragon Flame was distributed February 17, after AVID tutor Ms. Karen Eells decided the time had come to establish a school newspaper. The team of students worked each week in Mr. Bell's room, where they wrote new articles and laid out the pages. Most of the articles were written on the computer or transferred from one program to another. Appropriate photos were taken using the digital camera.

After the March 3 edition, The Dragon Flame made news in the Stars and Stripes with an article and photo.

For the most part, reports kept their originally assigned tasks for the subsequent editions, but many students did switch or try new roles. The paper was copied and given out by the newspaper staff throughout the school. They tried to get a paper out bi-monthly.

by Tracy-Lei Seese

Mr. Alan Campbell presents the first place award to Brenden Best at the UK Championship.

Team members Brenden Best, Jeff Lambert, Zachery Ledford and Keegan Porter work out problems at the competition.



Check

The Math Counts team took fifth place out of thirteen teams at the European Competition in Wiesbaden, Germany, March 23. Only five members of the team took part. Jeff Lambert won second place over all the contestants, which gave him the opportunity to compete in Washington, D.C., on May 9, at the National competition.

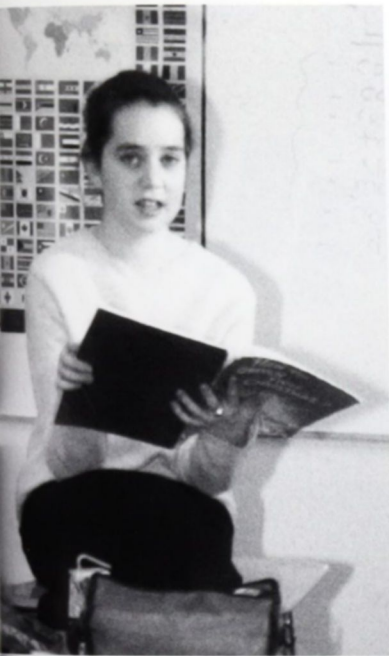
Team members took first place in the UK Math Counts competition Feb. 18 in Croughton, over six schools. Out of thirty six competitors, Kalani Snyder took sixth place, while Jeff Lambert and Brenden Best tied for first place. The highlights of the event were the count-down round and the individual rounds.

Sponsor Mr. Frank Hardin trained the middle school team during lunch times and after school. He was effervescent with the way the competition went.



Team Captain Zachary Ledford presents the UK Championship trophy to Principal Thomas Smith at the winter awards assembly.

Math Counts: Front row; Brenden Best, J.J. Johnson, Barton Holmes. Back row; Zachary Ledford, Joe Warren, Jeff Lambert, Keegan Porter, Kalani Snyder, Sponsor Mr. Frank Hardin.



President Maureen Cummins practices reading *The Grinch Who Stole Christmas* by Dr. Seuss for the puppet presentation.

Jessica Baffa, Aileen Kusera and William Johnson at the Halloween Dance.

Ashley Thomas, Erika Neal, Barton Holmes and Jessica Whiteside practice with their finger puppets before the Christmas play for the elementary students.



Vote

The Middle School Student Council worked on raising money for social causes.

In October, they sponsored a costume Halloween dance at the Village.

Their last project was a finger puppet show for the elementary students before Christmas.

Meetings are held on Tuesdays at lunch with an average attendance of over 20% of seventh and eighth graders. Ms. Louella Hardin, the sponsor, was pleased with the students willingness to participate. "They are all very interested in improving their school."

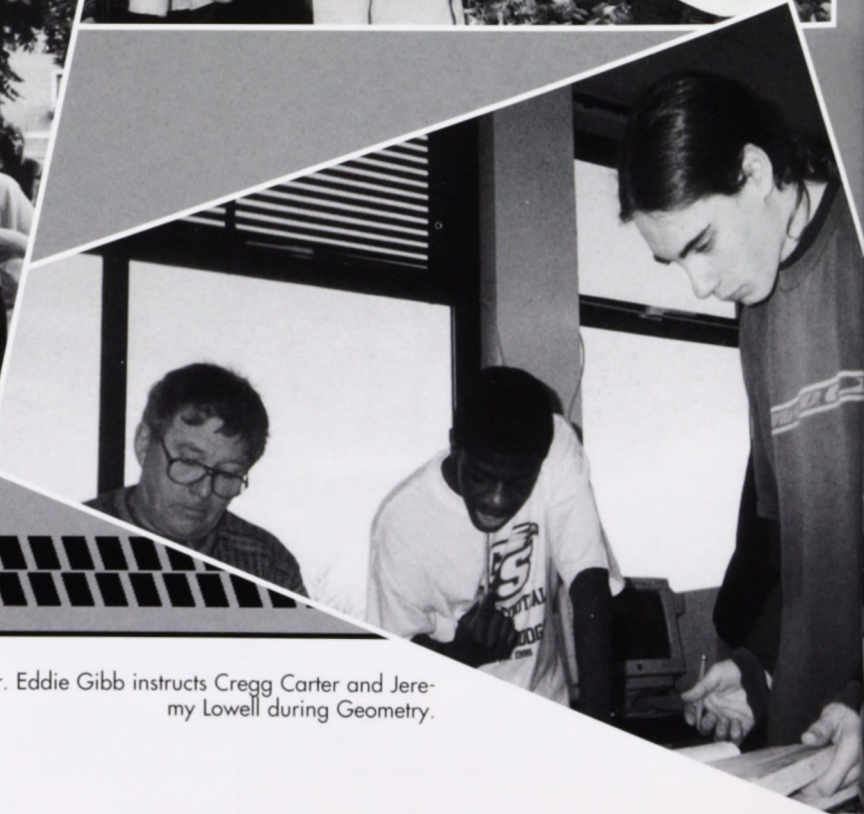
by James Meyer

Middle School Student Council: Front; Vice President Jessica Whiteside, SIP representative Cassie Fink, President Maureen Cummins,

Secretary Ashley Thomas. Back; Kalani Snyder, Keegan Porter, Philip Gray, Aileen Kusera, Jessica Baffa, Katie Hall, Erika Neal.

Sophomore friends Andre Hammond, Josh Melter and Will Manqual show their strength by carrying Mike Grady.

Stacey Snyder, Victoria Stiegel, Gemma Breedlove, Kristen Hudson, Laneisha Motley and Kathy Gasque found a friend during their trip to Brussels.



Mr. Eddie Gibb instructs Cregg Carter and Jeremy Lowell during Geometry.

Upperclasses



Freshmen Paul Taggart, David Leslie and Santi Castilleja make light work out of cleaning up after the Sweetheart Dance sponsored by their class.

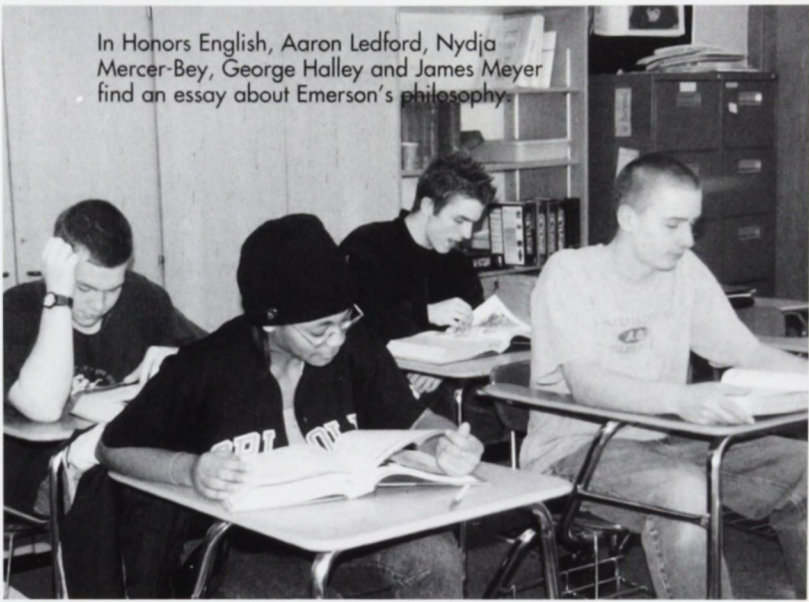


Junior Alex Foster finds his snack at break is a little too hot when he gets it out of the home economics microwave.

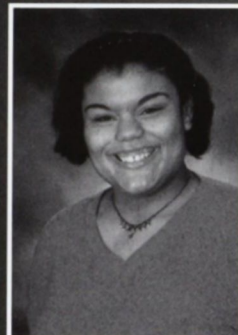
Juniors

Nydja Mercer-Bey, Brittany Carbon, Junior class sponsor Ms. Olga Burney, and Brett Levesque get the Halloween grams bagged and tagged.

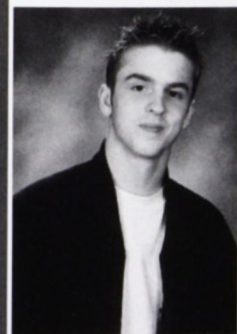
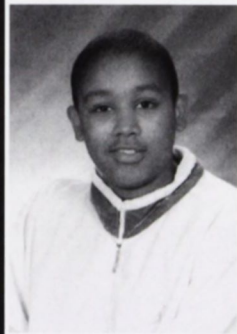
In Honors English, Aaron Ledford, Nydja Mercer-Bey, George Halley and James Meyer find an essay about Emerson's philosophy.



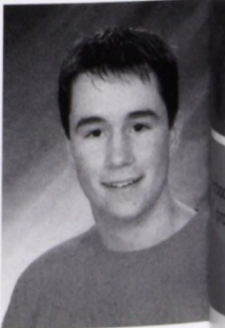
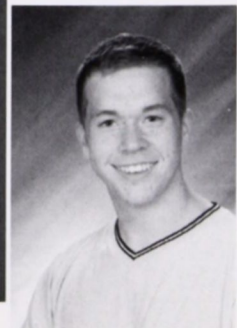
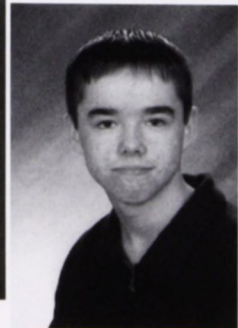
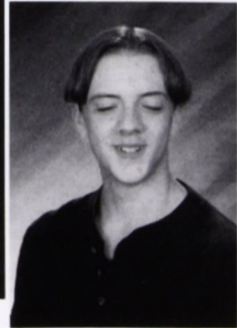
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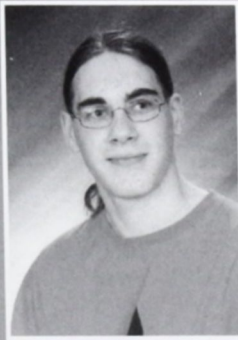
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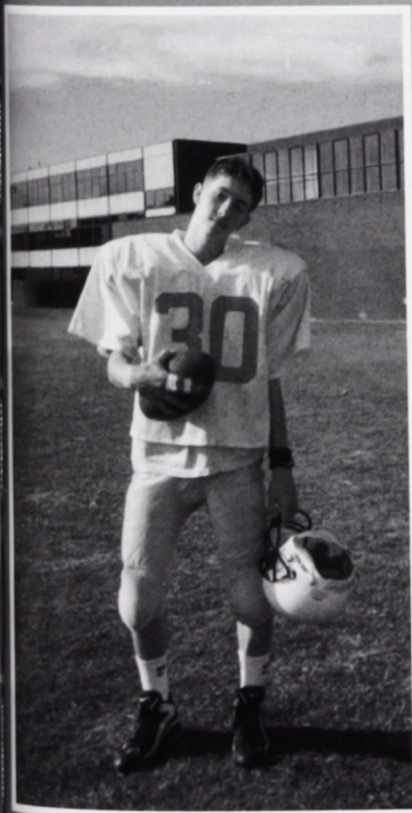
Class of 2001



Jeremy Lowell
Valerie McDaugh
Nydja Mercer-Bey



James Meyer
Thomas Roy
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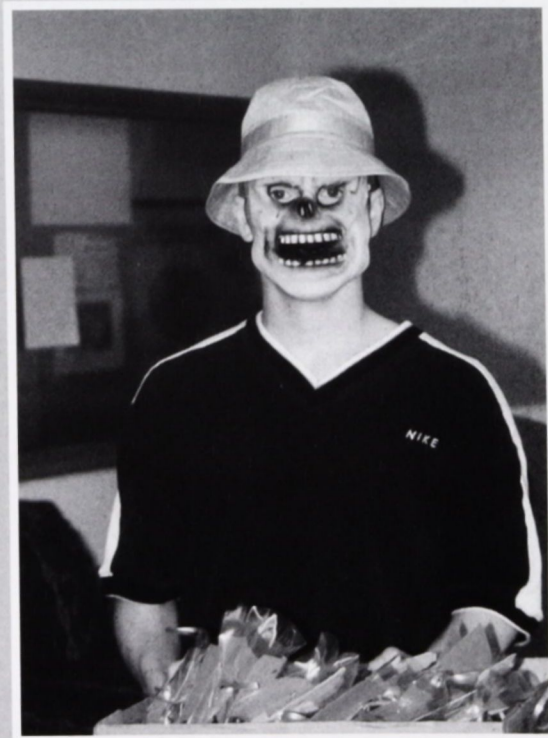


The Junior class was busy making money for the prom. They took over the school store and sold food at break, which made just about everyone happy. At 10:25 am., students rushed out of class eagerly crowding into the break room downstairs, hoping the Juniors would have chocolate donuts waiting for them!

With the help of their dedicated class sponsor Ms. Olga Burney, they got the Halloween grams sorted out and distributed.

The Juniors were always busy putting their ideas together. They planned a Talent Show for February. Ms. Burney did a lot for the Juniors, including making lunch for them during class meetings, which resulted in a great prom. The prom was at the Wyboston golf course and country club in May, and it lasted until midnight.

by Sarah Hall



George Halley brings terror and candy grams into the school office on Halloween! This was a fund raising event for the Juniors.

Quarterback Tommy Roy saunters onto the football practice field behind the gym.

In Health class, Kathy Gasque pretends to choke as Gemma Breedlove applies a life saving technique taught to the class by the Red Cross instructor.

Sophomores

Sophomore class officers met every Wednesday at lunch to plan, discuss, and decide what activities they would like to do. They planned an ice skating party, a roller skating party, a paint ball trip, a dance, a class trip to Alton Towers and, ultimately, a class trip to Disneyland, Paris.

The Sophomores tried to have a fund raising activity at least once a month. They

sold Frito boats, had a bake sale, made candy grams, sold lunch, did a raffle and helped in the Student Store.

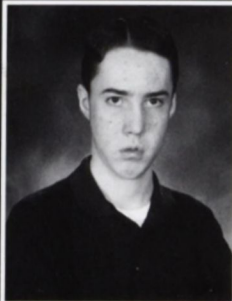
Under the guidance of their sponsor, Ms. Calgellia, they participated in at least two charity oriented projects.

Sophomores, also, addressed and wrote Christmas card to WWII veterans for a Service Learning project.

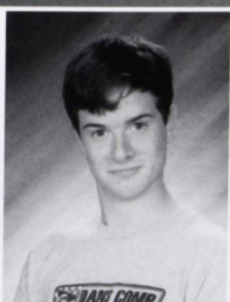
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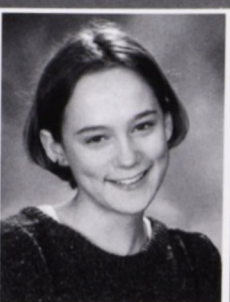
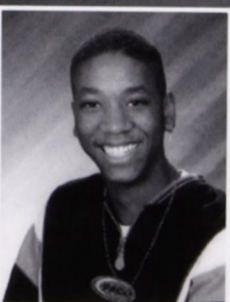
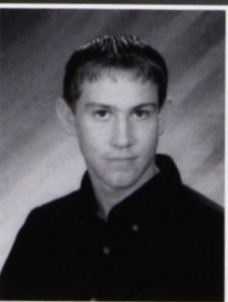
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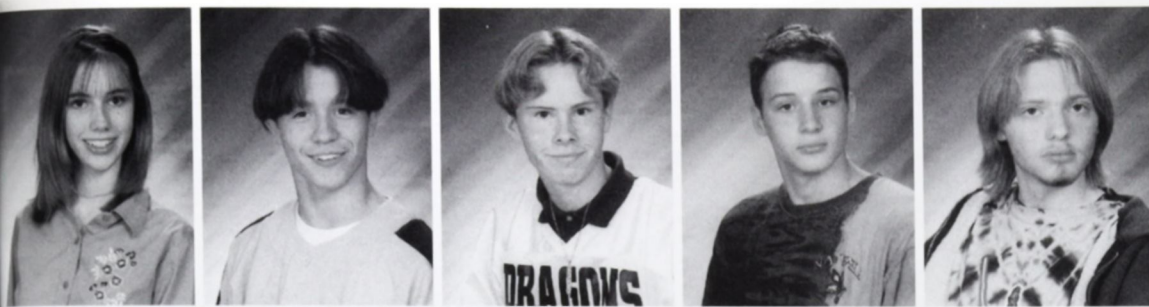


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Brandon Ford
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Kathleen Gasque
Michael Grady
Andre Hammond
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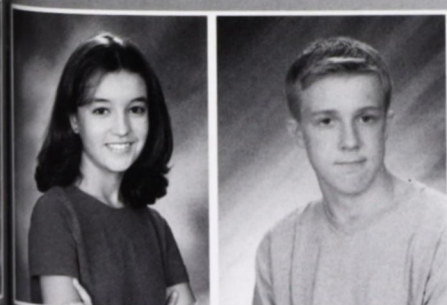
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Casey Pratt
Jessica Rayford
Michelle Rodriguez
Stacey Snyder
Lee Spaulding



Victoria Stiegel
Laura Wake
Kevin Wallior
Laura Whiteside
Jon Wright



Cregg Carter leads the blocking for Jon Wright to gain yardage against Brussels football team.

In October, Melinda Lynch and Victoria Stiegel do some lobbying during Model Senate at London Central.



Freshmen

The Freshmen class learned a lot about high school and adult life this year. At times, some freshmen students would be so overwhelmed with sports and activities that it would still be able to function and keep their grades high. It was a reality check to the world, but at the same time, it was also very enjoyable and a lot of fun.

Among many of our happy moments in our 99' - 00' school year, the freshmen class sponsored a very successful Valentine's Day Dance. Mr. Curran sponsored the class.

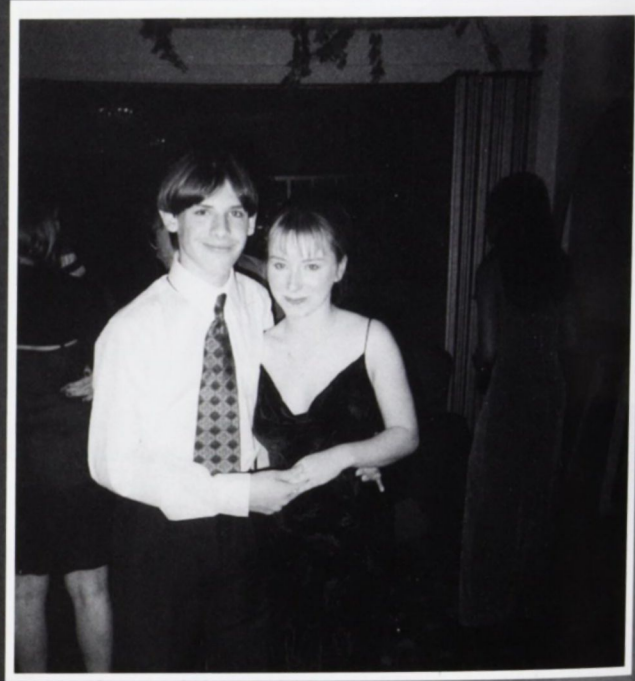
We were always amused and ready to listen to the stories about the freshmen that came became from the people who were involved with sports and activities.

It was the first time for getting involved with Service learning through the Social Studies classes. They wrote over 400 Christmas Cards to WWII Veterans, and did a project on Africa. The freshmen class would say that this year was really awesome. We learned a lot of new and interesting things, and we hope that the next year will be just as fun and exciting.

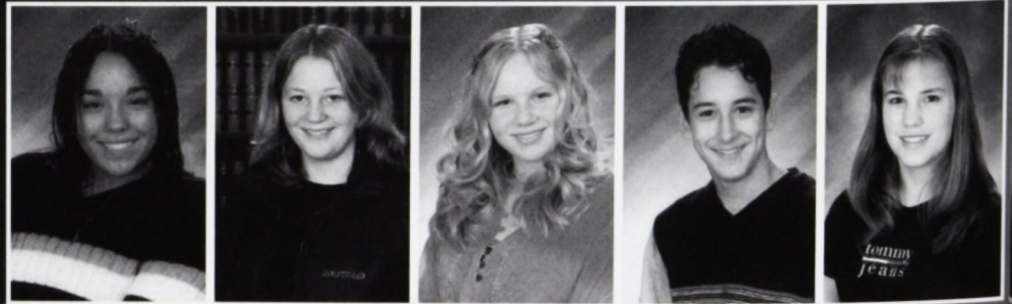
by Santi Castilleja

Freshman Michael Fish poses with his date at the homecoming dance.

Freshmen Jessica Bennett and David Leslie light their candles to become inducted into the NUHS ceremony.



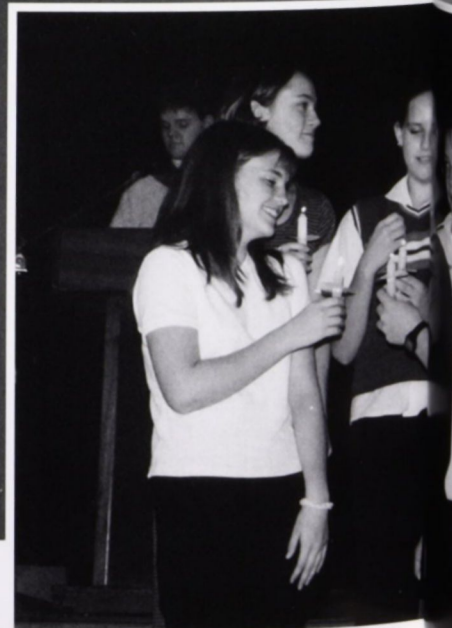
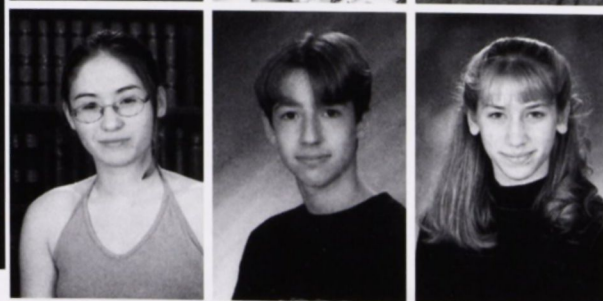
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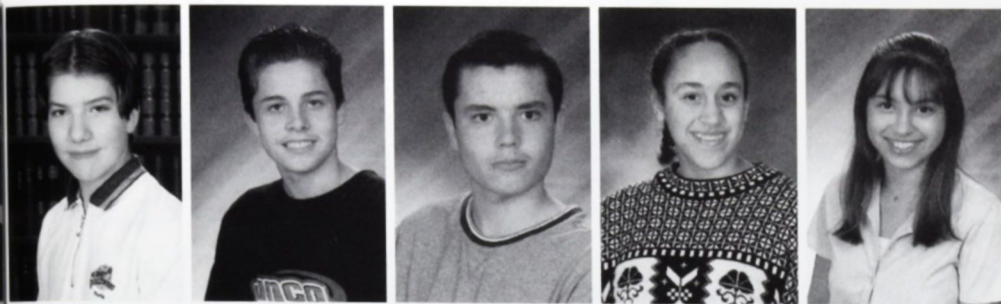


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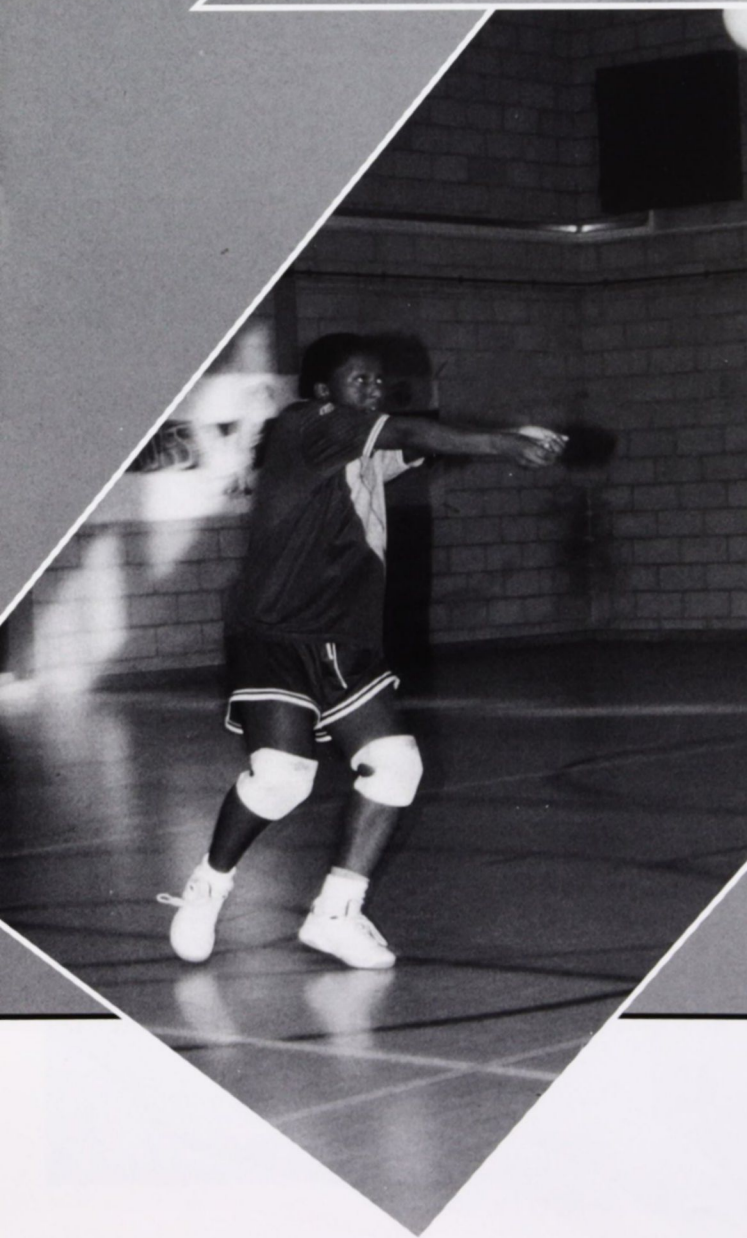
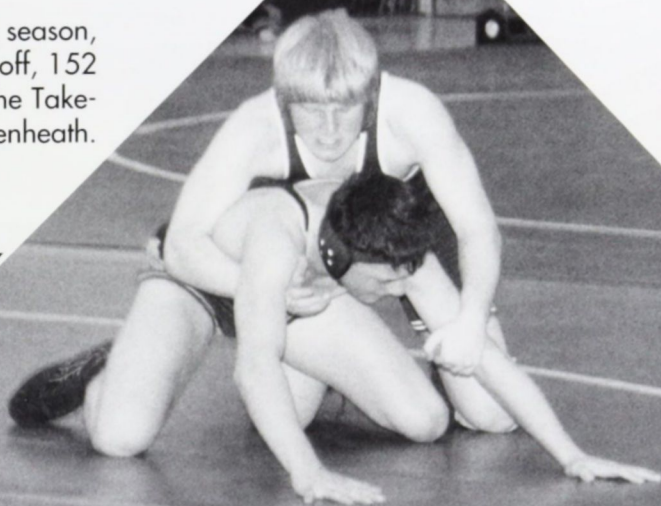


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At the beginning of the season, Senior Wrestler James Groff, 152 lbs., begins a match in the Take-down Tournament at Lakenheath.



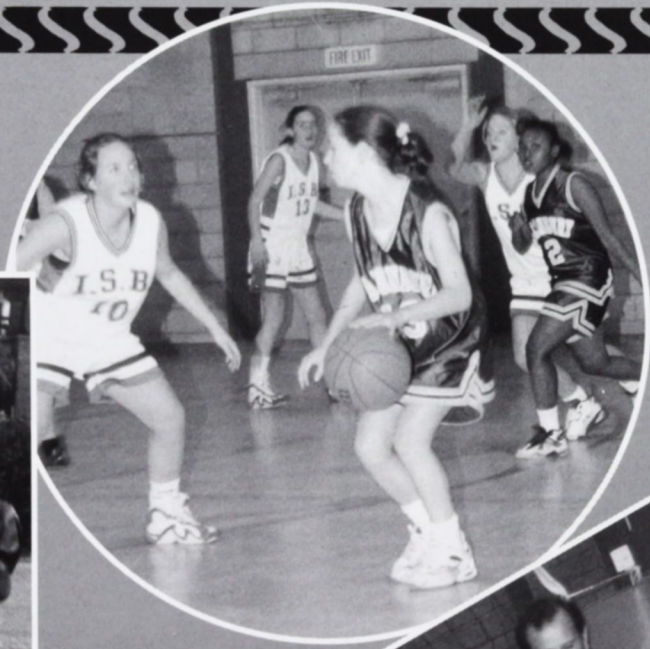
Michelle Hinton bumps the Volleyball during the tournament play.

Senior Joe Castaldo makes a jump shot at the first game of the Northern Division III Basketball Tournament.

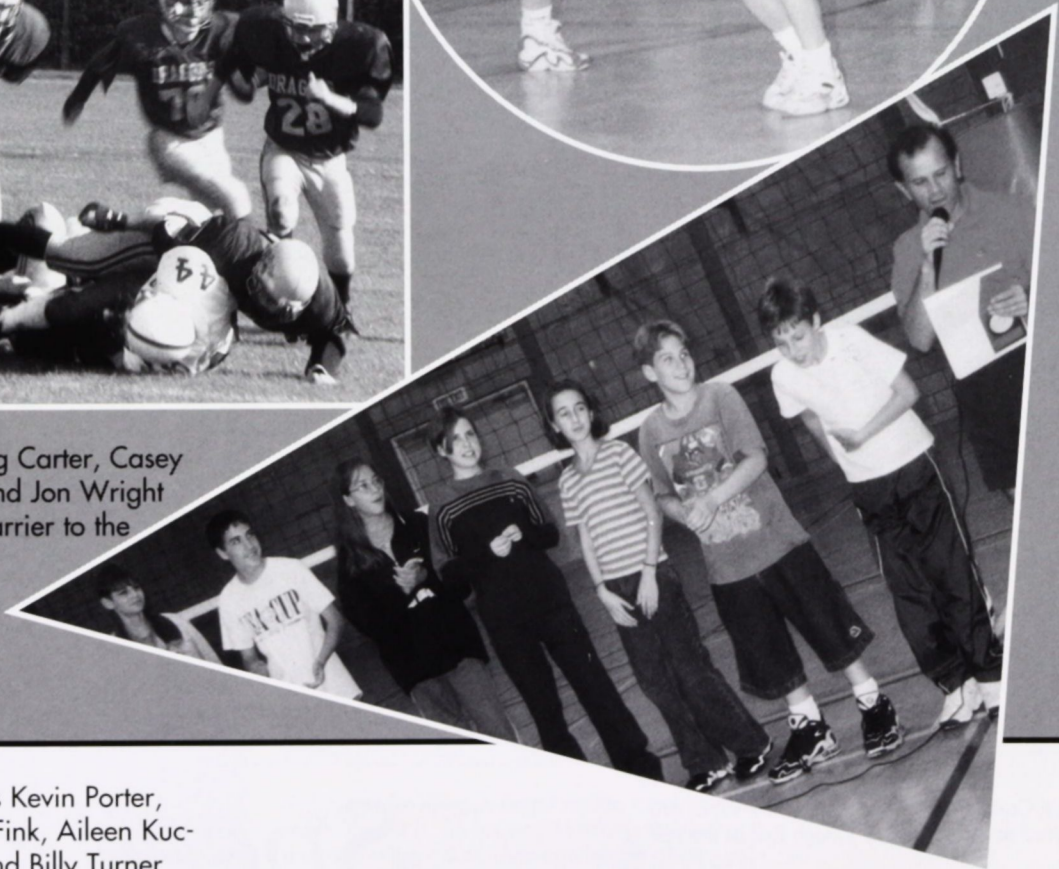
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Sports

Freshman Ashley Roy waits for Sophomore Jessica Rayford to get into position so she can pass the ball in the Junior Varsity game with ISB.



Football defense Cregg Carter, Casey Pratt, Will Manqual and Jon Wright chasing the ISB ball carrier to the ground.



Cross Country runners Kevin Porter, Jessica Baffa, Cassie Fink, Aileen Kucsera, Jake Babcock and Billy Turner are introduced by Coach Ken Bell.

Cross Country only had three runners this year, led by Senior Kamuela Bean, who reigned as the UK champion for the second year in a row, and then added the new Division Three Championship to his laurels. Kamuela finished the season in eighth place in the European Finals in Stuttgart, Germany. He was also named to the second team for All Europe.

Joining the team for the first time were Senior Sarah Townley-Wren and Freshman Santi Castelliijo. Sarah was named most inspirational team member, and Kamuela was voted most valuable runner.

About fifteen Middle Schoolers also came out for the season and participated in a total of five races. Outstanding individual runners were Eighth graders Keegan Porter, Jessie Baffa, Aileen Kucsera, and Seventh Grader Betsy Howe. These runners will all be great Alconbury athletes of the future. Coaches Ken and Teddy Bell were pleased with the runners this season.

by Michelle Rodriguez

Coaches Teddy Bell and Ken Bell get ready for the Homecoming Cross Country meet at Hinchbrook Park.

In a field of runners from five schools, Kamuela Bean sets his pace at the Homecoming event.



Varsity Cross Country Team: Santi Castilleja, Kamuela Bean, Sarah Townley-Wren and Coach Ken Bell.

Santi Castilleja and Sarah Townley-Wren are introduced to the school by Coach Bell at the Fall Pep Rally.

Speeding Ahead!

Middle School Team: Front row; Keegan Porter, Meghan Williams, Aileen Kucsera, Jessica Baffa. Back row; Billy Turner, Jennifer Snyder, Betsy Howe, Sarah Vigessa.



Top Eighth grade runner Jessica Baffa heads toward the finish line at the Cobham meet.

Betsy Howe, who lead the seventh grade runners makes a strong finish for the team at Cobham.



Eighth grader Keegan Porter makes running look easier than it is, on his way to taking the race and becoming the number one leader of the Middle School Team.

Get that camera away from me! Head Coach Eric Mead over sees daily practice behind the school.



All Conference Senior running back, Brian Hardin heads for a touchdown during the 20-14 victory against Rota, Spain. Brian Hardin averaged about 20 yards a run.



Josh Tucker, Casey Pratt and All-Conference Senior linebacker Sheldon Horne line up on the defensive scrimmage line against ISB.



Football Team: Front Row; Manager Laura Wake, Captain Josh Tucker, Joe Castaldo, James Groff, Will Kennedy, Casey Pratt, Bryan Meeder, John Meyer, Manager Justin Murphy. Second Row; Coach Jon McLellan, Cregg Carter, Captain Sheldon Horne, Captain Tommy Roy, Captain Brian Hardin, Chris Zimmer, Coach Eric Mead. Third Row; Ian

Davison, Christian Block, Ellis Reynolds, Brandon Ford, Jon Wright, Alex Foster, George Halley, Andrew Concilio. Fourth Row; Will Mangual, Mike McLellan, Ricky Baffa, Chris Jones, Josh Melter, Matt Werling, T.K. Konecny. Back Row; Paul Clayton, Mike Fish.

Senior Josh Tucker, All Conference punter, goes through his power kick during the London Central slaughter.



Dragon: Flame On! Football

"The football record did not reflect the caliber of the team we had this year. We lost two close games that could have gone either way. Being outsized every game, the players had to rely on heart and character ... that's what Alconbury Football is all about." stated the most successful coach the Dragons have ever known, Eric Mead.

At football camp, teams from around England came to sharpen their football talents, hosted during August 18-20.

The Dragons kicked off their season against the Rota Admirals. The Admirals started the game with a first quarter lead. The Dragons overran the Admirals, ending with a Dragon 20-13 win. They gave the first indication they were the team to beat.

The Dragons went to London Central and played in the "Mud Bowl." Sheldon Horne finished the game with a fourth quarter fumble recovery, resulting in a touchdown to win 15-12.

The last game was the Homecoming game against the London Central Bobcats. The Dragons, after the close game with the Bobcats earlier on in the season, wanted to prove that it was a fluke. Dragons held a 37-0 victory.

Despite losing games to Menwith Hill, Rota and ISB, several players won awards. Receiving Awards for All Conference first team was Brian Hardin, running back and defensive back; Josh Tucker for punter and kicker; Sheldon Horne for linebacker; Bryan Meeder for offensive live; and Ellis Reynolds for defensive end. James Groff received All-Conference second team offensive line.

The Dragons ended on a 3-3 season.
by Sheldon Horne



Coming from the field after the Homecoming game are George Halley, Chris Zimmer, Alex Foster, James Groff, Josh Tucker, Bryan Meeder, Tommy Roy and Brian Hardin.

Seniors Sheldon Horne and Ellis Reynolds are close to tackling a Rota ball carrier.

Quarterback Tommy Roy, junior, passes against the Bobcats gaining yardage from near his end zone.



Power Up!

The women's team, who traveled to the district tournament, pose on a tour of the gardens in downtown Brussels; Senior Jacqueline Safreed, with Sophomores Stephanie Gartland and Tequila Bowen.

Tennis season ended all too quickly! The Dragons tennis team was scheduled to play Menwith Hill on September 10, but since their school is even smaller than Alconbury, they cancelled the match. Brussels American High School came to Alconbury the following Friday, September 17. Dragons played well, and they looked forward to the tournament in October.

On a wet, windy morning, September 25, Bitburg came to find our courts covered with leaves. Eager parents quickly swept away debris, and both teams played through the rain. In the end, the court was too wet, so the match ended in a 3-3 draw.

The first away match was at Lakenheath. By this time the Dragons had really begun to show improvement, and while there were no

sensational victories, the matches were a great warm up for the tournament.

Schools were limited in the number of players they could bring to the district tournament. Jacqueline Safreed in Womens Singles, James Meyer in Mens Singles, Tequila Bowen and Stephanie Gartland in Womens Doubles with Jason Osley and Aaron Ledford in Mens Doubles formed the team in Brussels. Eric Jaeger went along to serve as manager, but on arriving there, had the opportunity to play Mens Singles.

This was a learning year. The season was much too short, beginning Sept. 10 and ending October 8. The season finished just as the players were improving.

by Ralph Blake



Tennis Team Front row; Tequila Bowen, Stephanie Gartland, Eric Jaeger, Robert Fisher. Back row; David Leslie, James Christian.



Freshman David Leslie adds another practice to his skills during PE class.



Sponsor Mr. Ralph Blake collects team shirts at the season's end.



The tournament team in Brussels: Front row; Jason Osley, Stephanie Gartland, Jacqueline Safreed. Back row; Captain Aaron Ledford, Eric Jaeger, James Meyer, Tequila Bowen.

Stephanie Gartland and Tequila Bowen hit some ball across the net during a warm-up.

Lift off!

All-tournament player, Sophomore Gemma Breedlove bump-sets to her right, in order to calm the play down.

After a hectic game, Valerie MeDaugh, Kayla Hudson, Gemma Breedlove, Kristen Hudson, Sarah Davison, Laneisha Motley and Lisa Gutowski celebrate victory.



Coach Nancy Peck dictates to the Dragons a new strategy to use against the BearKats.

Senior Kayla Hudson, better known as the team's 100% server, launches another one at the Iceland Vikings.

Ready to receive the Vikings serve, Gemma Breedlove, Michelle Hinton, and Valerie MeDaugh, wait anxiously.

Lisa Gutowski sets up her teammate Gemma Breedlove for another spike against the Brussels' Brigands.



Sarah Davison makes an accurate bump to the setter in the game against Menwith Hill.



Volleyball Team: Front Row: Sarah Bertino, Ashley Roy, Stacey Snyder, Jessica Rayford, Kathy Gasque, Valerie McDaugh. Second Row: Lisa Bixler, Laneisha Motley, Kayla Hudson, Sarah Davison, Kristen Hudson, Alex

Concilio, Jessica Bennett, Alicia Christensen. Back Row: Michelle Hinton, Johnna Ellington, Lisa Gutowski, Gemma Breedlove.



Beginning the last volleyball season of the millennium was a challenge for champion coach Nancy Peck. Each individual lady had skill, however, this new league of Dragon stars had not spent time working as a team. It took tough practices and team coaching before they began to work with synchronization, transition, back-up and confidence.

Kristen Hudson was named as the Captain for the varsity team of seniors Kayla Hudson, Lisa Gutowski, juniors Sarah Davison, Valerie McDaugh, sophomore Gemma Breedlove, and freshman Michelle Hinton.

Alconbury hosted the jamboree September 11, beginning the season. This jamboree tournament was not only the beginning of the season, it was the unleashing of the Lady Dragon might! The new team showed the crowd that they had skill and determination, and they represented the school well, with their first win.

The next three games were away, so the girls were on the road a lot. With victory against Iceland 3-2, and Menwith Hill, three straight wins, the Dragons still had to defeat Bad Krueznach and Brussels. This proved a difficult task and a marvelous competition, and they did not go down without a fight. The close defeats were turned into a positive, which amounted to more volleyball lessons

learned.

The homecoming weekend was Division III North Regional Tournament time, hosted at home. They entered play ready to make the other teams take notice. The Dragons beat Iceland 2-1, and Menwith Hill 2-0. At the end of the first day, they placed second in their pool after a defeat by Brussels.

The next morning an exciting match, unfortunately, ended in a loss to the BearKats, leaving Alconbury to battle for third place. They beat the London Central Bobcats 15-12, 12-9 to earn the title.

Their efforts did not go unnoticed. Gemma Breedlove was named to the All-Conference, All-Tournament, and Second Team All-Europe team, and Michelle Hinton was selected to the All-Tournament Team. Also, who can forget Valerie's wicked serves, Lisa's defensive ups or Kristen emerging as a power hitter. This group has only just begun. Even with a league of newcomers, the season proved exciting and memorable, and there are thoughts dancing in their heads about Dragon domination next season.

by Lisa Gutowski

Basketball

With only two players returning and a new coaching staff, the Dragons began their season against London Central. The surprising play of Chris Jones and Captain Tommy Roy brought hope to a predicted dismal season.

After a pair of losses to a Division II opponent, the Dragons faced Brussels at home. Because of the consistent play of Sophomore Andre Hammond, who was selected the Most Inspirational team player, the rebounding of Cregg Carter, and the clutch play of Most Valuable Player Joe Castaldo, the team won two straight games.

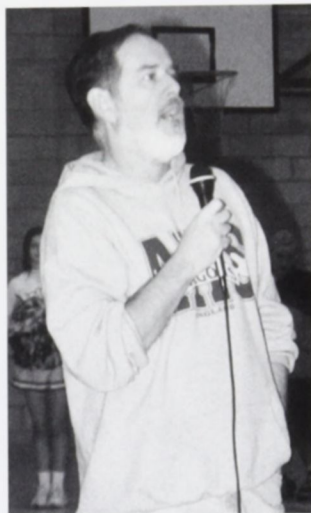
Next, at home in front of their fans, the Dragons pulled off a 56-51 upset over the Division III runner up Menwith Hill because of a tremendous team effort.

The following two games were against favored Lakenheath and defending league champions Bad Krueznach. After tough losses, Alconbury's confidence was in jeopardy for the upcoming tournament. Hosting the Northern Division III tournament, the team was pumped and ready. Unfortunately, the losses from the power houses proved to much, and the Dragons finished seventh.

The ways they improved from the beginning of the season was noted. The Most Improved player was selected as Paul Clayton. Mr. Eric Mead sponsored the basketball team.

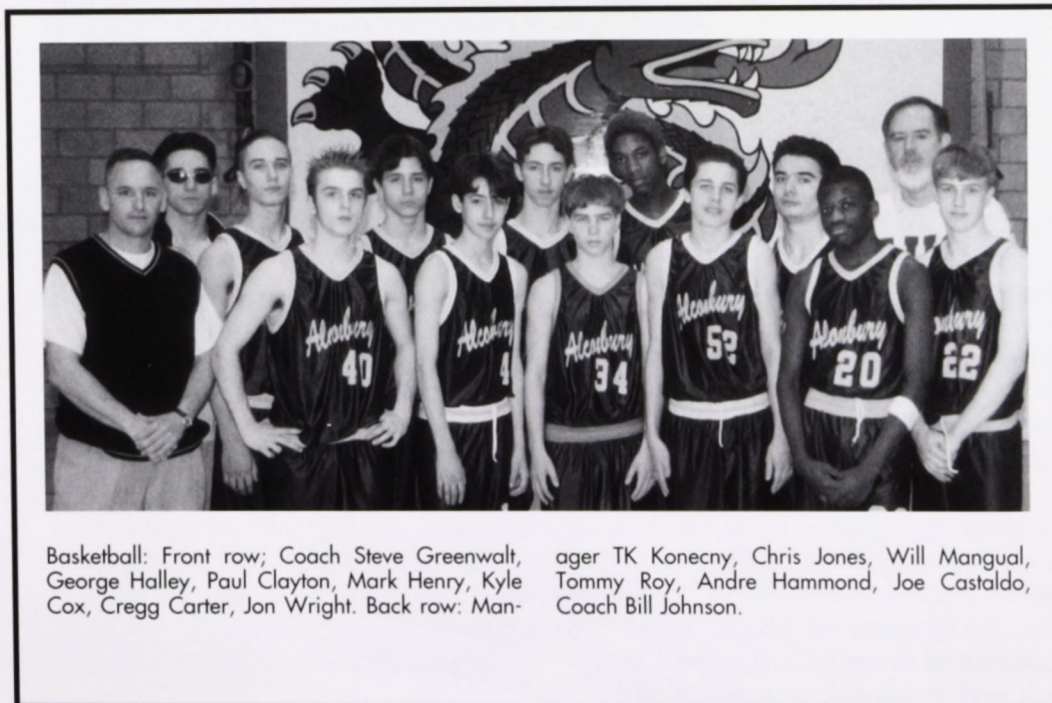
by Tommy Roy

Coach Bill Johnson at the pep rally.



Beginning a game against ISB, Sophomore Andre Hammond clearly has the ball heading in the Dragons direction.

Sophomore Jon Wright takes his time dribbling down court to set up the play.



Basketball: Front row; Coach Steve Greenwalt, George Halley, Paul Clayton, Mark Henry, Kyle Cox, Cregg Carter, Jon Wright. Back row: Manager TK Konecny, Chris Jones, Will Mangual, Tommy Roy, Andre Hammond, Joe Castaldo, Coach Bill Johnson.





Junior Tommy Roy shoots a free throw against ISB as Sophomore Cregg Carter watches to see the ball go in the basket.

Freshman Chris Jones crashes through the Iceland Vikings team to take a lay up shot during the Division III Basketball Championships, Feb. 10.



Senior Joe Castaldo shoots an outside jump shot as Andre Hammond and the ISB team watch it fall through the hoop.

Controlling the ball during the tournament, Joe Castaldo waits for an opening to pass it.

Girls' Basketball

To begin the season, the Ladies traveled to face London Central, but came home without victory.

In January, the Dragons played Brussels at home. Nicole Horne showed strength scoring 11 points, but there was no win.

Victory came against Menwith Hill. Gemma Breedlove scored 20 points the first game, with plenty of assists from Kathy Gasque, who broke the team high scoring the next day by adding 21 points to help win the second game.

At Bad Kreuznach, the team got beaten badly.

They looked forward to the tournament at home Feb 10-12. The Dragons first faced Brussels, whom they were unable to conquer. The next morning, they played Lajes, which ended in a win. Breedlove had 17 points followed by Laneisha Motley with 9. A bit anxious facing the Bobcats, they played incredibly with Lisa Gutowski scoring 11 and Gasque hitting 13. Unfortunately, they were defeated. After a Saturday morning game against Iceland Vikings, the Ladies finished sixth place in the Northern Division III Tournament.

At the award ceremony, Nicole Horne was selected for the All Conference Team.

by Lisa Gutowski

All Conference player, Junior Nicole Horne, shoots another amazing point at the free throw line.

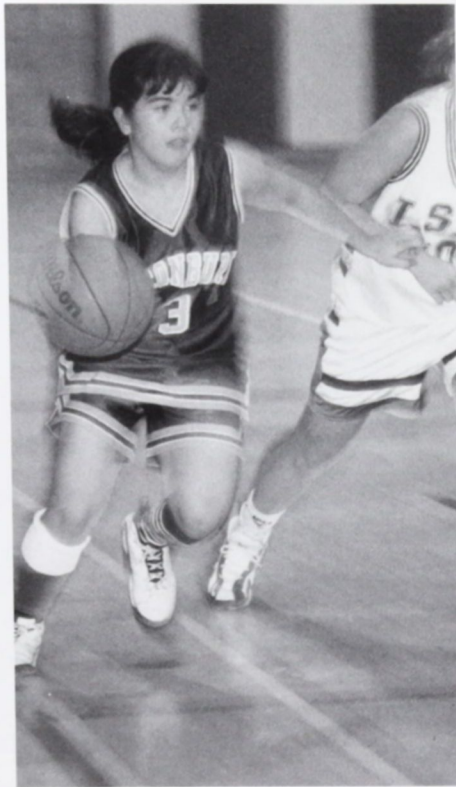
Senior Lisa Gutowski dribbles down court against ISB on her way to make a score.



Basketball Team: Coach Donna Maquire, Manager Brit-tany Carbon, Kathy Gasque, Nicole Horne, Laneisha Motley, Lisa Gutowski, Jessica Rayford, Gemma Breedlove, Adrian Green, Coach Olga Burney.



Sophomore Gemma Breedlove on her way to making 17 points against Lajes with a successful foul shot.



Sophomore Kathy Gasque charges down the court evading an ISB guard.

Freshman Adrian Green keeps up her guard as she takes the ball down court.

Sophomore Laneisha Motley isn't intimidated by size; as a defensive expert, she keeps her eyes on the ball.



Taking on Brussels, Coach Donna Maquire, Laneisha Motley, Adrian Green, Cathrine Amara, Lisa Gutowski, Coach Olga Burney, Nicole Horne, Gemma Breedlove and #3, Kathy Gasque plan their strategies.

After a short season of five regular meets, all four Dragon mat men earned a well deserved trip to the European Championships in Wuerzburg, Germany. Josh Melter 125lbs., Brian Hardin 140, James Groff 152, and Paul Taggart 171 took first places in the Division III North District Championships in their respective weight classes.

In Wuerzburg, among approximately 215 top wrestlers from Europe, Brian Hardin wrestled into the finals. Brian defeated wrestlers from London Central 16-0, Patch 7-4, pinned the number two seed from Heidelberg, but lost to Patrick McConnell in the final match, being the only wrestler this year to go three complete rounds with him. This made Brian Hardin the European Second Place Champion.

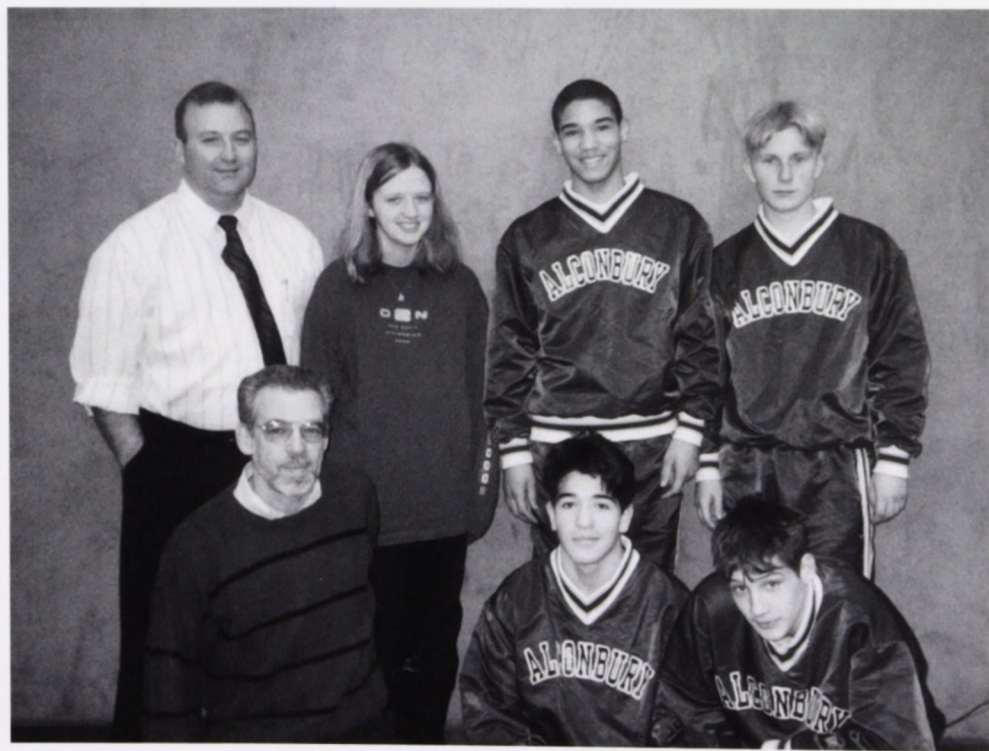
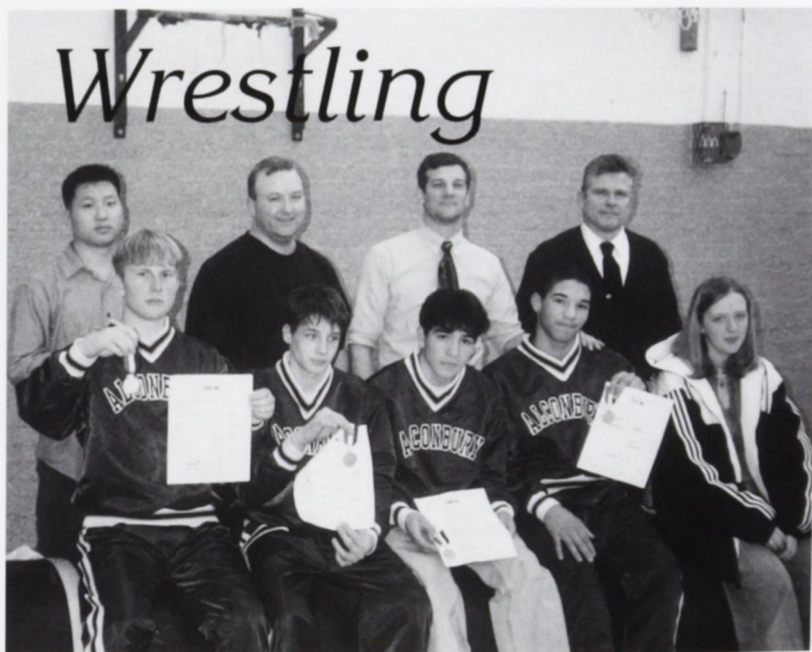
The nine Middle School wrestlers traveled with the team in the UK three times. Winning six matches was Brian La-France. Ben Murray and Jake Babcock each won three and lost one, and Tyrell Flurry and Alex Jaeger took three matches, losing two each.

Everywhere the Dragons traveled, they got positive comments about the quality of wrestler and wrestling.

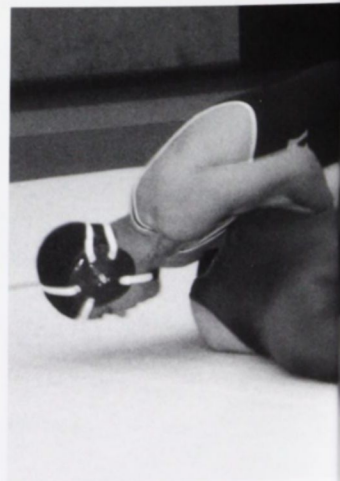
by Frank Hardin, Sponsor

Displaying First Place medals at the Division II North District Championships are James Groff, Josh Melter, Brian Hardin, Paul Taggart, with manager Amanda Kunkel. Back row are Coaches Ryan Wilt, Dave Wilcox, Dave Werling, Tim Quilter.

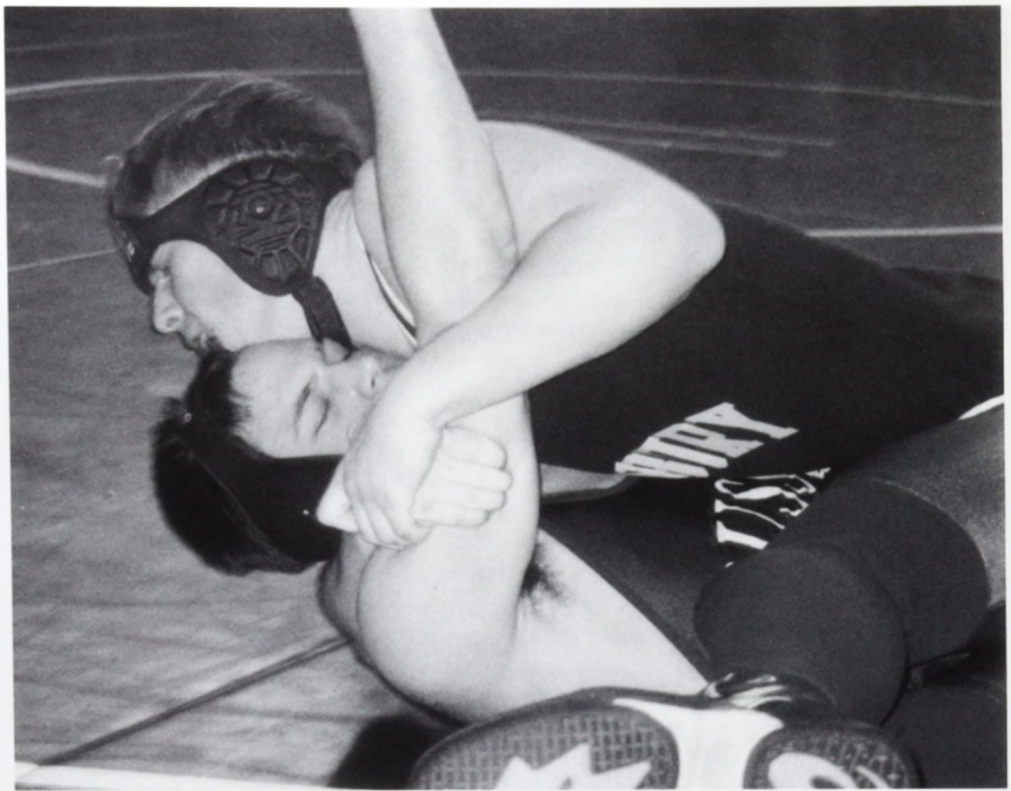
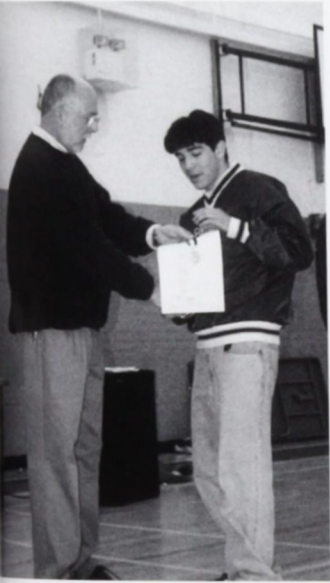
Freshman Paul Taggart tries to turn his Menwith Hill opponent.



Wrestlers: Front; Sponsor Mr. Frank Hardin, Brian Wilcox, Manager Amanda Kunkel, Paul Taggart, Hardin, Josh Melter. Back row; Coach Mr. Dave James Groff.



An EXCEPTION TO THE RULE



Senior Brian Hardin accepts his first place certificate at the district championships.

Manager Amanda Kunkel catches a nacho snack as she encourages Paul Taggart to do his best at the district championships.

Senior James Groff, 152 pounds, puts a head lock on his Brussels opponent as he presses the pin to win the match.

European Champion at 140 lbs, Senior Brian Hardin easily goes for a takedown by rolling his London Central opponent Nick Forsyth onto his back.

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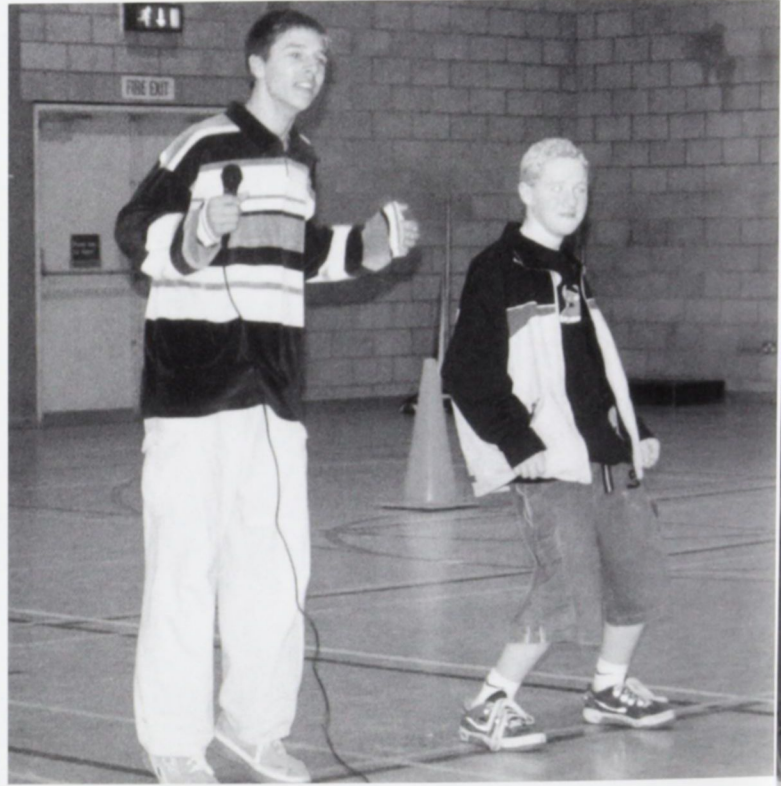
There were some exciting and active pep rallies held in the gym during the sports seasons.

The student council sponsored the Homecoming assembly which featured skits from each class and the introduction of the Fall sports teams. The band's music kept the spirit high.

The winter assembly, just before Christmas, saw the unfortunate death of Al the Dragon as the student council began their campaign to raise \$1000 to purchase a new mascot. The pudding eating contest was a hit, along with other games as classes tried to win the Spirit Stick. Candy was given to the audience. The basketball teams were presented, along with the wrestlers.

The Spring sports also got an assembly.

Three assemblies were presented by the music department. Academic Awards assemblies were held each quarter.



Freshmen Santi Castilleja and David Leslie jive to the music in a lip sync competition between classes.

Sophomores Casey Pratt, Kristen Hudson and Laneisha Motley mime the song I'm to Sexy for my Shirt for their class skit.



The Wheel Barrow Race has Sophomores Laneisha Motley dropped by Kathy Gasque, Juniors Sarah Davison maneuvered by Nydja Mercer-Bey, Seniors Kayla Hudson with Chris Block, Freshmen Adrian Green struggling for Johnna Ellington, and Josh Hutchison and Lauren Taggart winners for the Seventh Grade.

Cheers

At the first basketball game Melinda Lynch, Stephanie Gartland, Sarah Davison and Becki Hensley chant encouragement with Defense, guard 'em.

Becki Hensley, Stephanie Gartland and Sarah Davison cheer at halftime on Jan. 7 game with When we say 'Alconbury,' you say 'Dragons'.



The Cheerleaders lead the crowd throughout the winter sports season. The five ladies cheered as basketball games, both on the side lines during games and doing routines during halftime. The pep rallies were kept alive with the cheerleaders participation and leadership.

In addition, they prepared for the cheerleader competition held Feb. 11, during the basketball tournament. The squad learned two dances, one to the song "Let's Get Loud," the other to "Drop it on the one" and new cheers, in addition to the ones they already knew. They practiced different types of motions and jumps and techniques of stunts. Alconbury cheerleaders achieved third place and received medals and a plaque for the school.

On March 5, they also attended the TESIS competition.

Tara drake, Lissie Fulson and Damon Mann coached the cheerleaders. Their sponsor Ms. Nancy Peck helped them get new shoes. Ms. Drake and Ms. Hudson helped with the competition uniform. These cheerleaders brought enthusiasm to all the projects they attempted.

by Stephanie Gartland
and
Sarah Davison



Sarah Davison gets the crowd to shout for the Dragons with the cheer "Go, Dragons, Go."



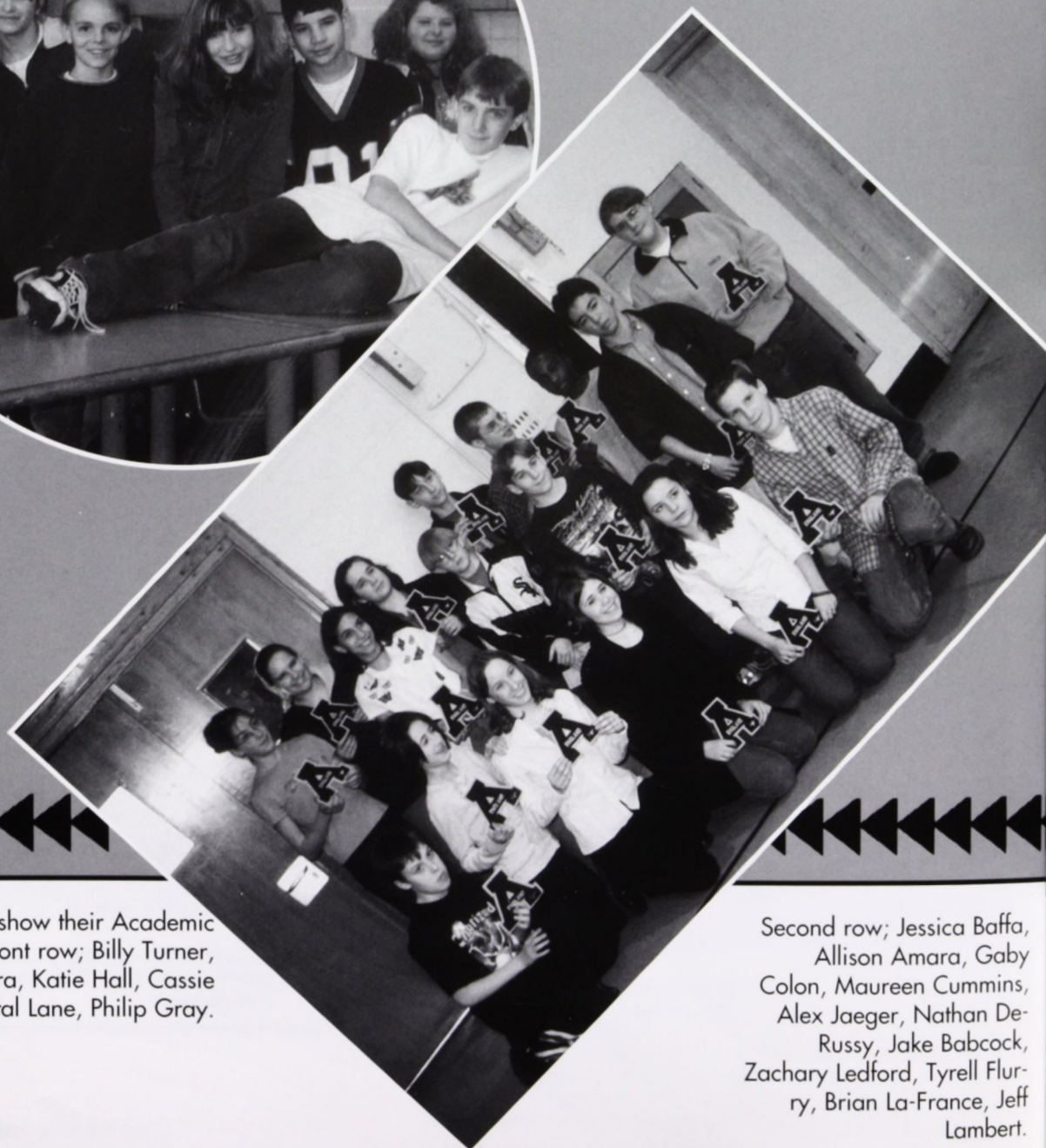
Cheerleaders: Front; Becky Hensley, Sarah Davison, Kayla Hudson. Back; Stephanie Gartland, Melinda Lynch.

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Middle School

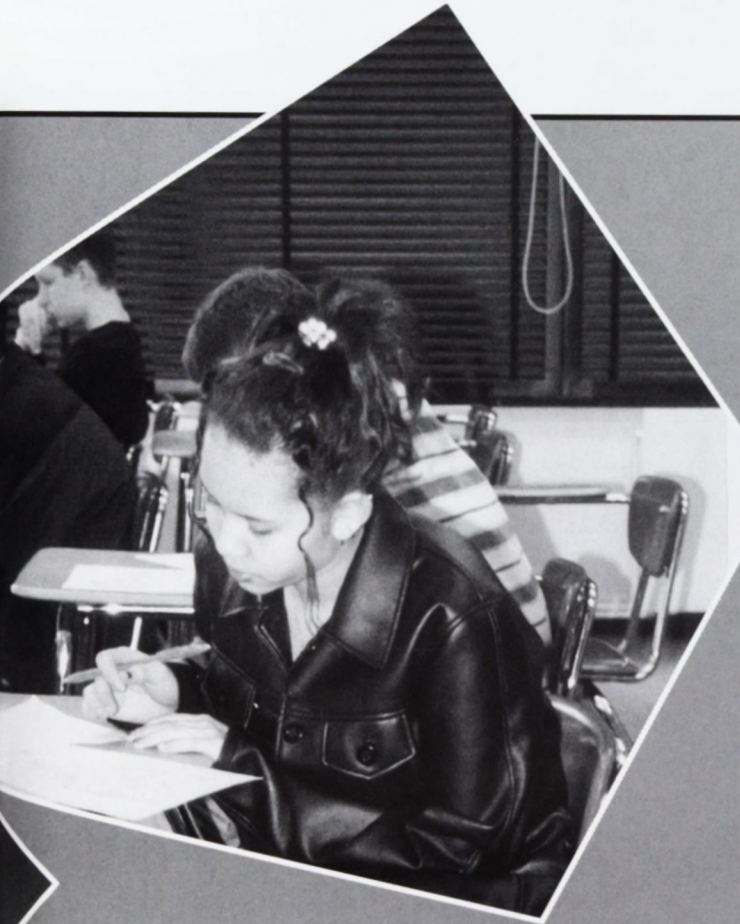


Seventh Graders in Art: Melissa Henry, Felicity Gartland, Joshua Hutchison, Breanna Harrison, Trey Martin, Shannon Buxton with Playboy Alex Dueitch.



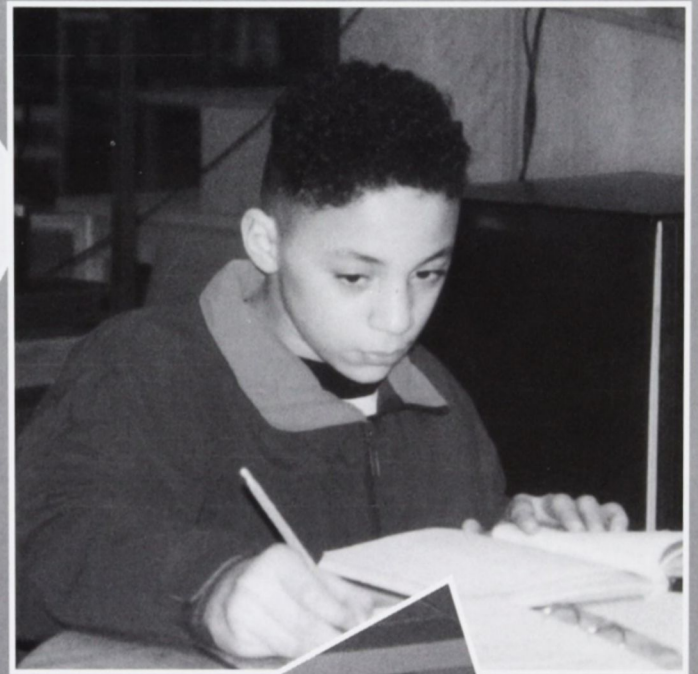
Eighth Graders show their Academic Letters: Front row; Billy Turner, Aileen Kucsera, Katie Hall, Cassie Fink, Crystal Lane, Philip Gray.

Second row; Jessica Baffa, Allison Amara, Gaby Colon, Maureen Cummins, Alex Jaeger, Nathan Derussy, Jake Babcock, Zachary Ledford, Tyrell Flurry, Brian La-France, Jeff Lambert.



Eighth Grader Jennifer Greene tries to figure out her math in Mr. Hardin's class.

Seventh Grader Ben Murray takes some notes in the Media Center for a Social Studies project.



At the Halloween Dance, black and white was the attire. Front; Aileen Kucsera, Cassie Fink, Billy Johnson, Jomer Belisario. Back: Jessica Baffa, Alex Dueitch, Barton Holmes.

Eighth Grade

The Eighth Grade is very unique and responsible class. It has under thirty-five people, so, basically, everyone are friends with each other. They are outgoing and not afraid to speak their minds. they strongly participated in sports and activities.

The students helped organize their Halloween dance on Friday, October 29, at the Recreation Center. They also won the Spirit Stick during Spirit Week for showing the most spirit by dressing in some really crazy outfits, and they put

on a great skit based on Austin Powers. They went on a field trip with the seventh grade to Greenwich Observatory to see the 0 degree longitude line. They also saw the Cutty Sark ship and went to the Maritime Museum. Their class sponsor was Ms. Hardin. Most lunch periods, they had meetings in her room.

The Eighth Grade really knew how to have fun. Overall they are a great group of hardworking people with good attitudes.

-by The Eighth Grade



Ashley Thomas, Jeff Lambert and Phillip Greenwalt work in the Media Center during Seminar on a writing project.



Crystal Lane, Ashley Thomas, and Katie Seckman enjoying the Cutty Sark on a field trip to Greenwich.

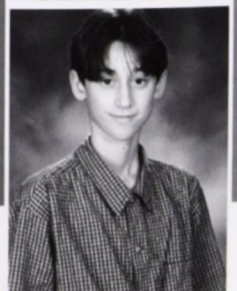
After the National Honor Society assembly, Gabrielle Colon, Crystal Lane, Katie Seckman, Shonte Stephens, Allison Amara and Katie Hall meet in the library reception.

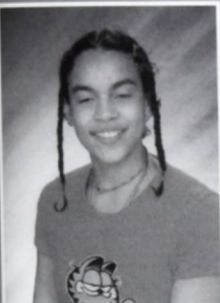


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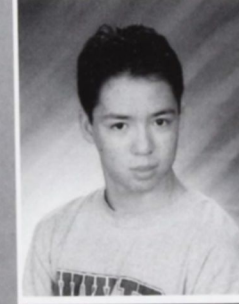




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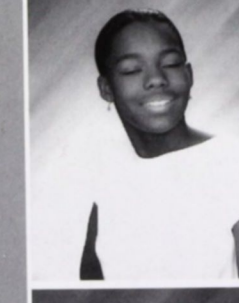
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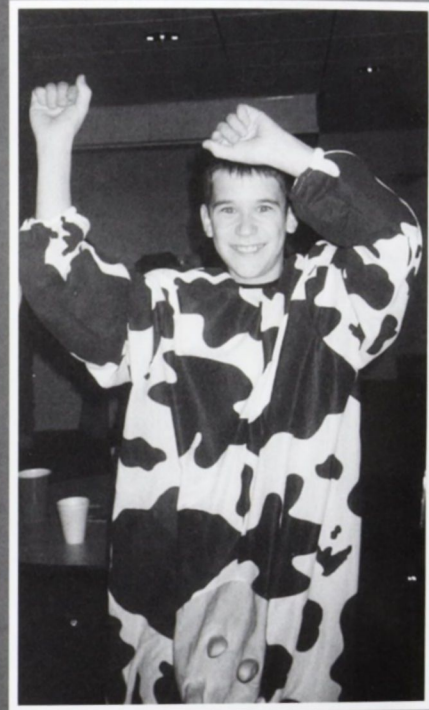
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Barton Holmes is just mooing around at the Middle School Halloween dance at the recreation center.

Seventh Grade



Ashley Adams
Kathleen Bacon
Chelsea Bailey



Danielle Beckman
Brenden Best
Samantha Bird
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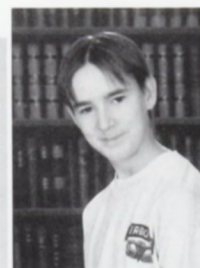


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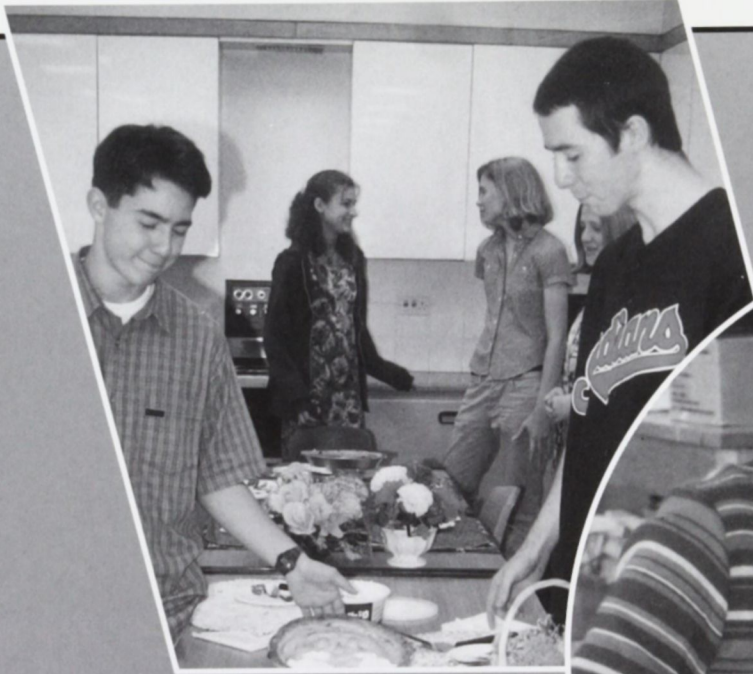
Seventh Grader Alexander Dueitch makes a masterpiece of his leaf print in art class.

Danielle Beckman, Rashana Motley, and Tameka Breedlove watch a volleyball game during Homecoming weekend.

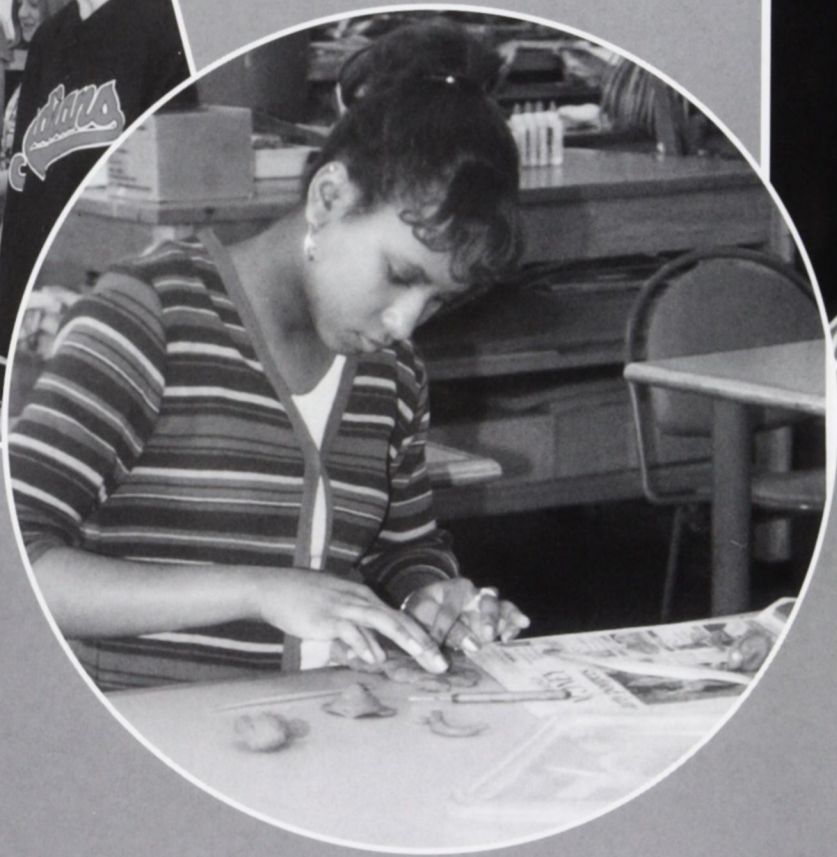


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Who says men can't cook? Seniors Chris Zimmer and Chris Block show their homemade Apple pie in Home Economics.



Senior Liara Hammond rolls her clay in Ceramics class to make a coil pot.

Freshman Jessica Bennett collects all her gear as she gets prepared to go home from school.



At break, George Halley selects goodies from the store as Ellis Reynolds adds up the bill.



Students line the road in front of the school to see the Christmas parade as Sheldon Horne points out someone he recognizes.

We've hit each other
and we've screamed.
We've loved each other
and we've dreamed.
We've comforted each other
when we were scared.
We dread any days
you are not there.
Love always,
Kristen &
Terren



Kayla,
From the time you have arrived
and every moment we are alive,
We are proud of you.
If you were not our daughter, we
would hope you would be our
friend.
You are a great person!
Love always,
Mom and Dad

Kayla Hudson



Liara
Hammond



**We are so proud of you and
will always admire your
determination and spirit and
how much you have accom-
plished over the years. We
will always be there for you
because no one can ever take
your place.**

**The Lord has blessed us
with such a talented and car-
ing daughter.**

**Love Always,
Dad, Mum, Andre &
Anisa**



Jacqueline Safreed



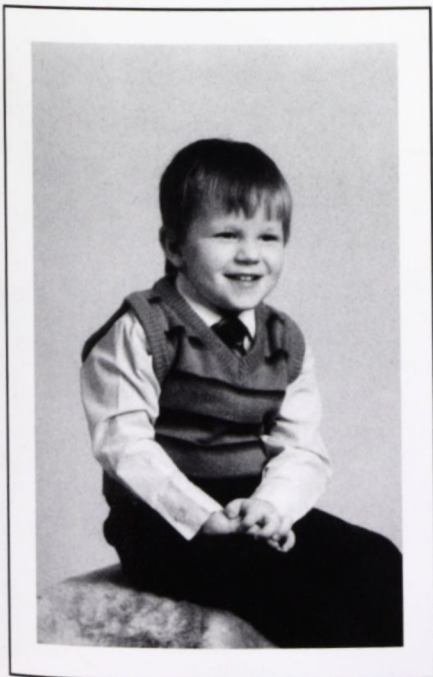
Jacqueline Safreed's parents have always been proud of her. Through the laughing and crying, singing and shouting, they have always loved her.

Jackie, you have a good mind and a good heart. You have your parents behind you and the whole world in front of you. May God bless you and watch you when you are out of our sight.

Con nuestro amor,
Mami and Papi



Leland Lambert

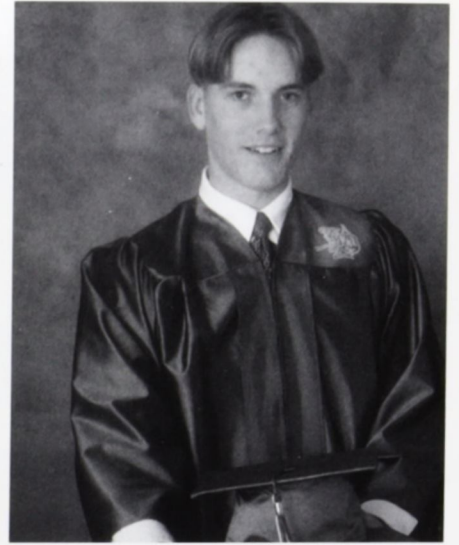


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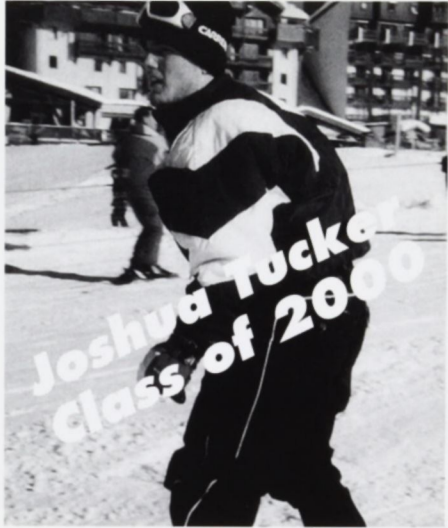


*We are very proud of you
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Dad, Mom
& Jeff*

**Congratulations Josh!
You've come a long way,
and we're proud of you!**



Wisdom is the principal thing;
therefore get wisdom: and
with all the getting, get under-
standing.
Proverbs 4:7




Mom, Dad and Melissa

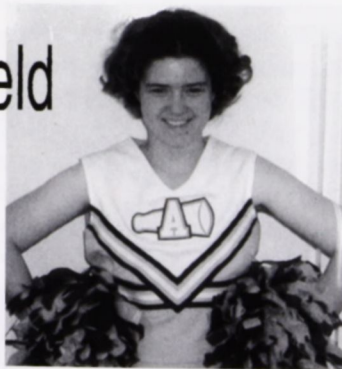


When the cheering is done and the stage lights are dim,
And no other songs need to be sung in the gym.
When the morning announcements have all been said,
And you have no more government classes to dread.
When you've passed all your friends with a hug and a grin,
Thoughts start to come that you'll never pass this way again.
Lockers and classrooms and faces you know
Will soon be memories from long ago.
So, as you walk down that isle with your friends at your side,
It's OK to be happy & sad and a little scared inside.
You've done IT! You've made IT! You've come to an end!



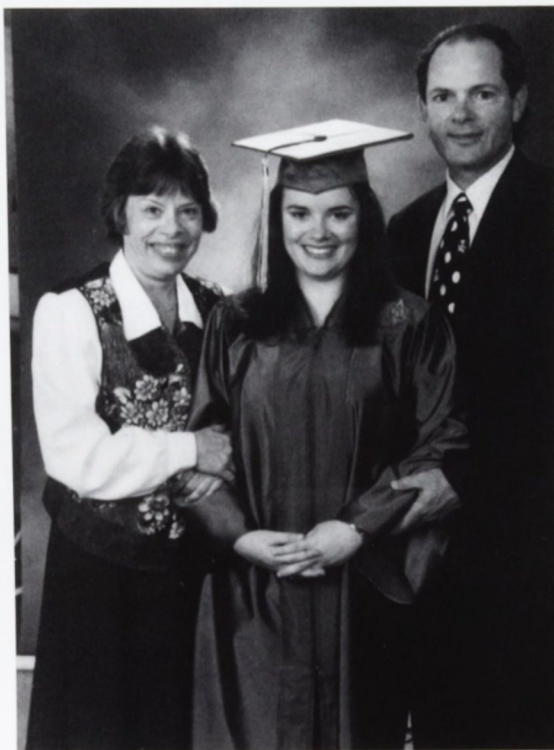

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Love Papa, Mama, Jenny,
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Jennifer Kay

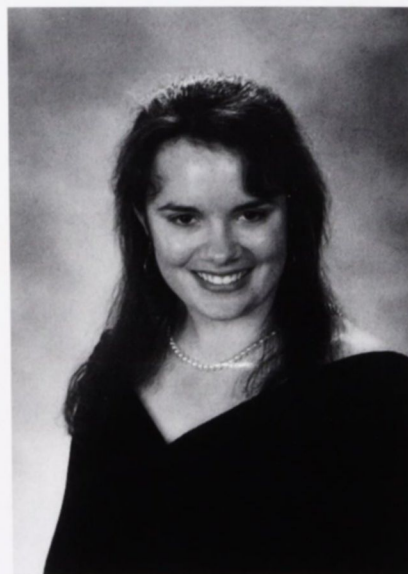
You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world.



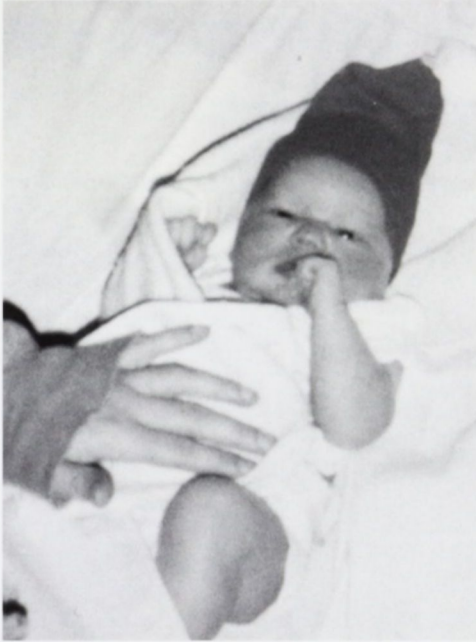
God smiled upon us when He gave us you. And we want you to always remember what a special person you are with your extraordinary gifts. We wish you all that is good in life and are so proud to be your parents. When you embark in this new phase of your life, never forget we're here for you Today and Tomorrow, Always.

*With all our love,
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Travis, Martha, Dennis,
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*You'll never be alone, Sweetie, lots
of folks love you sooo much!*



Class of 2000



Jessica Ami Arrieta
(Boo)

Congratulations

You've made us proud.

*May the rest of your life
be as successful.*

All our love and best wishes,

Mom, Dad, Tammy, Nat & Jaclyn





**Congratulations!
Chris**

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Go
Forward
into the
future with
fond memories
of your past.
We truly enjoyed
our time with you,
and we wish you all
the best and great
success in the
New Millennium.

Love,
Mom & Dad



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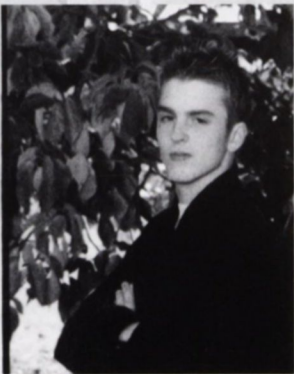
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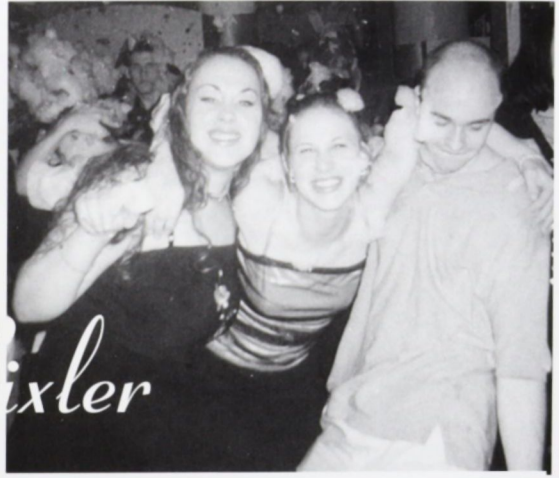
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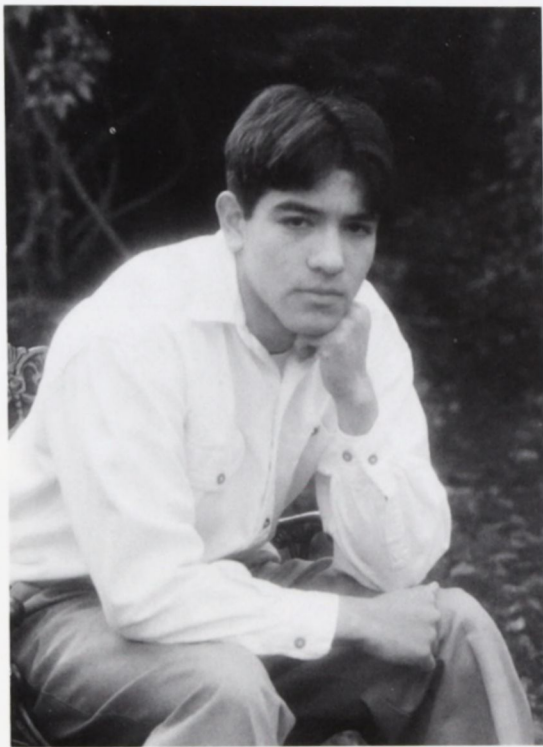
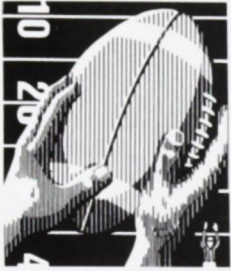


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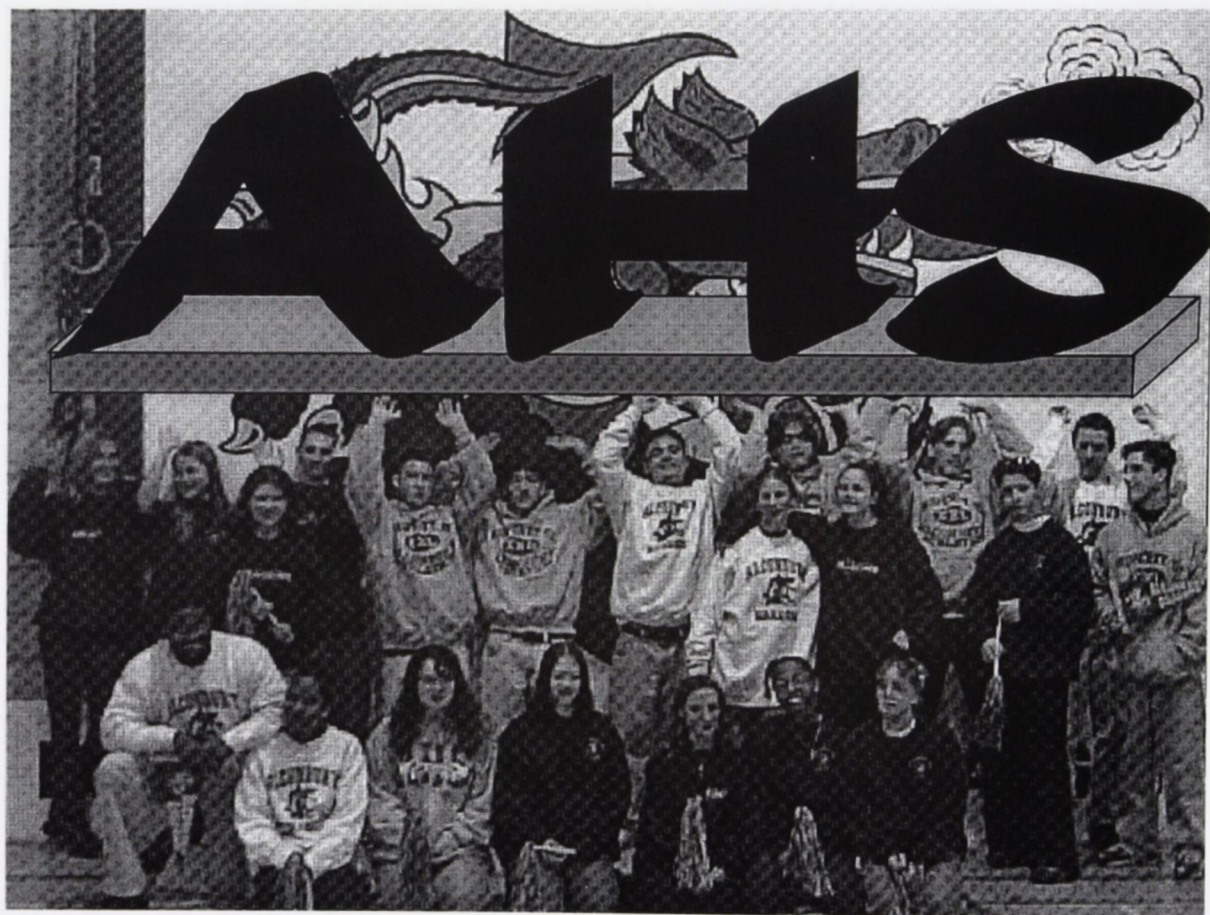
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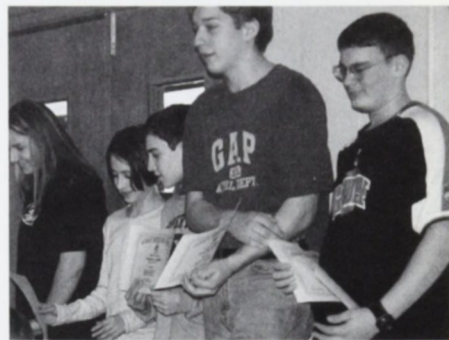


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Sophomore Allison Schonder builds a character figure as her first project in Ceramics class.

New Students



Traci Satern, Aileen Kusera, Keegan Porter, Kalani Snyder and Joseph Warren get awards for honor roll second quarter.



Milissa Henry

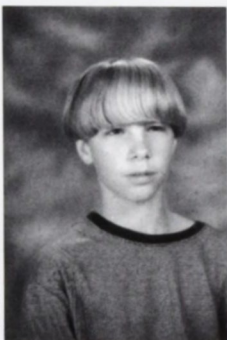


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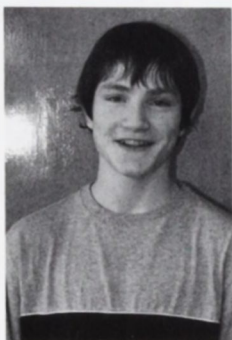
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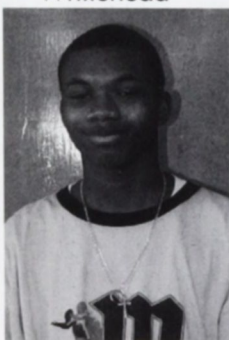
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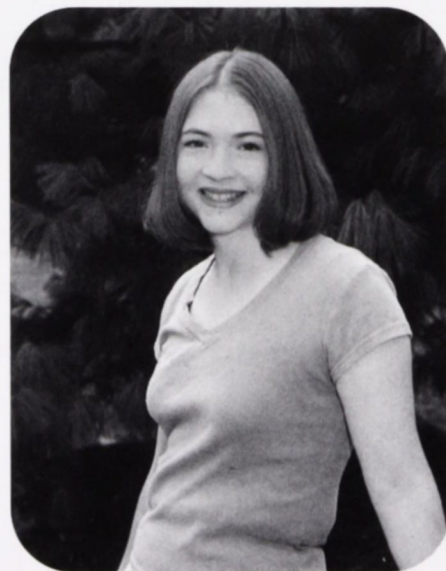


Alexia Wynn

Grade 9

Kendall Thomas

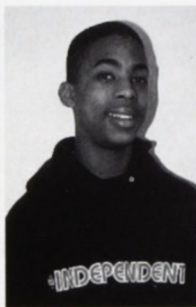
Choir 9-12, Solo Ensemble 12; Drama 10-12, Odyssey of the Mind 9-11, President 9; Student Council 9-10, Talent Show 11.



Grade 8



Jennifer Greene



Cole Price



Traci Satern



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Grade 10



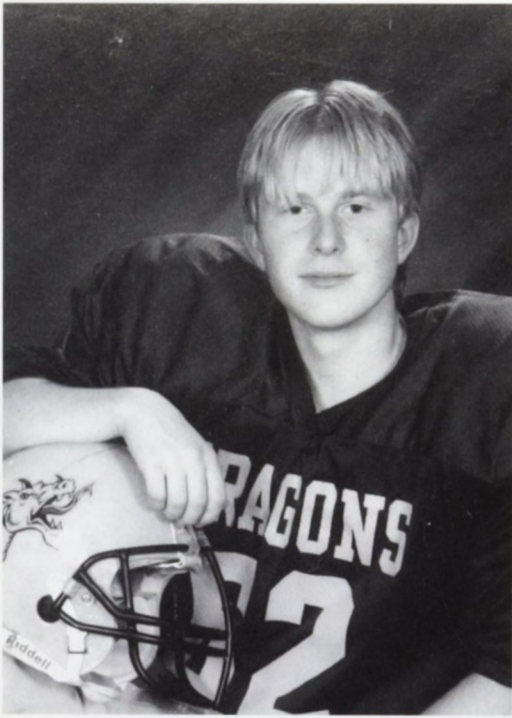
Amanda Mosley



Allison Schonder



Adrienne Thomas



*God bless you,
James
and all you do
in the future.*



James Groff

.....like a European? *Belgian Waffles....*

TRANSITION!!!! *Belly rings, out? STICK*
Laneisha's Fan Club Gemma Marks

"Say my name, say my name"

American Beef Tartare *Little Girl!*

Pooh Bear asleep again. *Back to the ten!*

QUESTION GIRL *Glamour & Cosmo*

Putting feet on pillows belonging to others is
a sensitive issue..... *Bouncy Freshmen*

They called us. WHAT? Chunnel again?

Liver alone boys, cheese mine. *Kayla's Ups*

Gemma, quit making Kathy dance.

Laneisha and the Beggar Val's Death Serves

Did she fall down the stairs again?

Sleepy Bus Driver Nightmare!

Stacey's Mom makes the best

sandwiches in the WORLD.

Victoria's song from Titanic DEFENSE!

Medical Question, "Is that possible?"

**No chocolates may be eaten by freshman
after midnight.** *Go to BED*

*Debbie makes Sarah Michelle face
the wall at camp. Step Outside!*

Who are you people? Where's my team?

Lisa & Sarah's dream guy in Brussels

Let's pose for a picture by this statue. KAYLAI

Ms. Ready's hamstring stretches.....

*We'll do a drill on Monday where she has to
hand me the ball. Group showers at camp.*

Help me! I can't get out? *Orange shoes girl.*

No Food or Drink in the GYM!

Locking Bryon up. Baby 99

She points at the wall one more time.

Just wait until next year. Are you ever in trouble!

If you didn't order it, then why did you eat it? Sleeping Giant.

Bryon and Coach Butler versus the Lady Dragons. *Where should you be?*

Practice at 7:00AM? How do you turn it off? Kayla's flying again.

SPIDERS *Tight huddles allow for quick changes. Oh, so very close.*

"When I was a rookie, we were never LOUD after lights out," said Lisa. Good Lord!

Any dislocated fingers today? Stay out of the net! RUN! On the phone again?





into the future.



Walworth