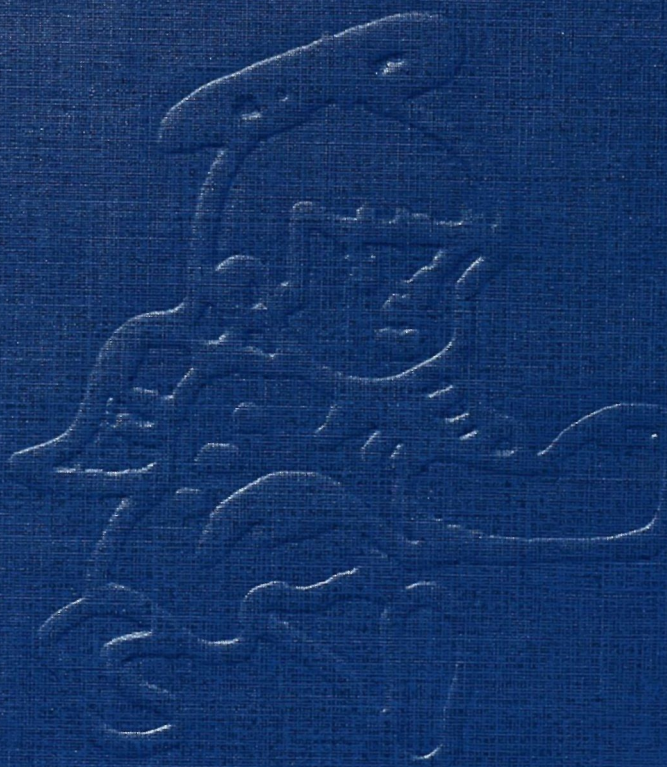


"CARPE DIEM"



FRUITA
1996 - 1997

1996

FRIULIAN

1997

Aviano Air Base, Aviano Italy

**Aviano American High
School**
Population: 428

The School
with
a Heart in
Northern Italy.





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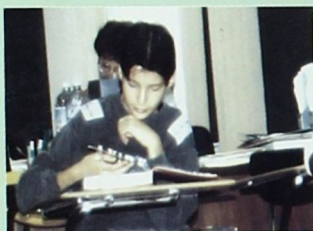
"Carpe Diem"; Seize the Day in Latin, appropriately fits the ambience of Aviano High School. Seize, which means to take possession of, to understand by grasping with the mind, or to take advantage of in the term of an opportunity, as defined by Webster's Dictio-

nary, wonderfully describes the students here at Aviano. With so many activities for the students and only 428 of them, many people find themselves spending their time in many different activities all at once. They understand the chances they have

to enjoy many different activities and take advantage of them. This yearbook theme will show how AHS students seize their day from winning Sports games to learning about different cultures, we capture those moments that students took charge of.



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The eighth graders prove that they have spirit too.



Justin May, Megan Hill and Natalie Teske play pool at the Teen Center.



Danny Alvarez, Travis James and others help each other out after school.

**Erin Hancock, Charles Marg
and Robbie Gabrielli share a
snack at the Teen Center.**



Student Life Divider



**The King and Queen dance
at Homecoming.**

Giving It Our All

This year everyone was eager to participate in the events of Spirit Week, from Mr. O'Gara to the seventh graders who had to start late in the event. Spirit was all over the school. At the Pep Rallies everyone prevailed in winning an event. We did Skits, "Chewy Chewy" as Mike Russell and Dogan Roppoli would say. We sucked up Jello, wore funny

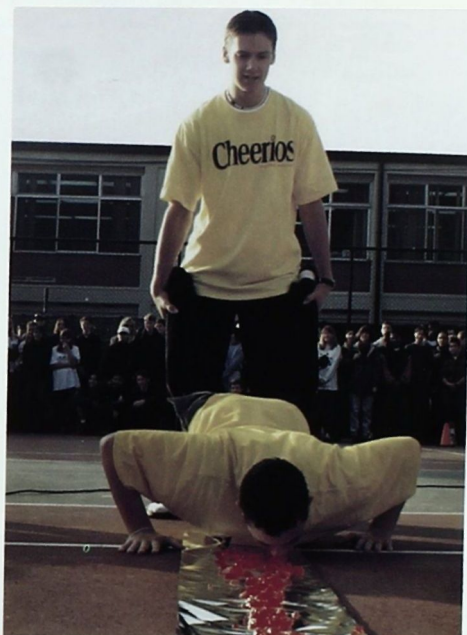
clothes and rode little bikes all in the name of Spirit. At the end of the week the Seniors prevailed again, (who would have guessed?).

Then came Homecoming night. It was held at the Teen Center, and people were dancing in the halls, literally. For some teenagers it was all fun and games as they played pool, darts and even video games.

Almost every student from AHS made at least an appearance at the dance. Some students got carried away, dancing inappropriately and we now have a school dance policy.

If anyone says no school spirit was shown all this year, we know that is not true because Spirit Week proved how much spirit AHS does have.

Kevin Dwight gives his friend a hand. Do you think cherry Jello is Luigi Lucidi's favorite?

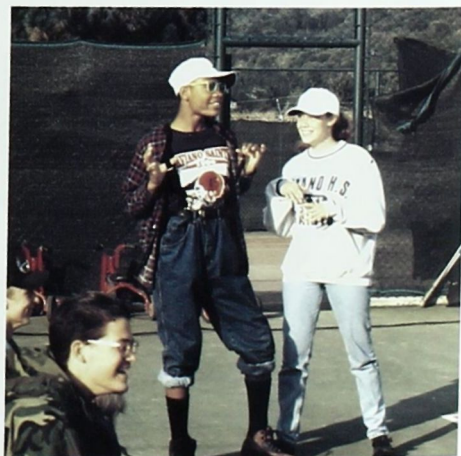


Seniors Victor Benjamin and Cory Sutter carry Vanessa Rodriguez across the tennis courts leaving the other classes far behind.



The tallest members from every class wait the race. While the three legged competitors discuss their strategy.

Sophomores made us laugh with their wonderful impression of a bunch of fools. Actually the impression was a little too real.



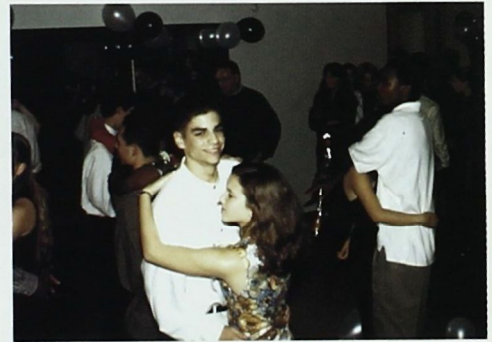

Spirit Week
 SAINTS

Homecoming



It seems that Cory Derrick is looking for someone to dance with; do you think he found Candace Wiggins?

Some people dance slow no matter what song is playing.



Danny Orozco seems to be more interested in the camera than his date.

.... and a few days later a school dance policy was put into action.

Homecoming Court



King and Queen
Edward Borromeo and
Donna Simmons



Prince and Princess
Brandon Marshall and
Angela Sposito



Duke and Dutchess
Maurice Clarke and
Temperance Bryand



Lord and Lady
Maurice Davis and
Brittany Long

What's for Lunch?

"Slurp!!" says Cory Derreck

This year things were done a little differently. The cafeteria was built, and all of the lower classmen were sentenced to stay on campus. Upperclassmen strolled along to lunch with their heads high, to prove their seniority.

Upperclassmen could choose several places to eat at, from Anthony's

Pizza to Lucky Strike Lanes. Of course they had no problem with the new rules that didn't apply to them.

All of the lower classmen moaned and groaned about the new cafeteria and didn't give up the fight for off campus lunch. They shouldn't complain though, they had the four basic food groups, and

never had to walk too far when it rained. Eventually the day will come when they, too, can eat greasy burgers during their lunch hour.

No matter where we eat the one thing we have in common is socializing. Lunch was our time to kick back or stress out about our next class with the really big test.

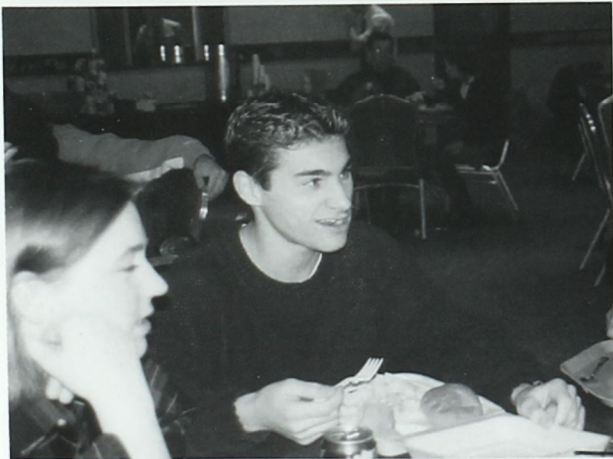
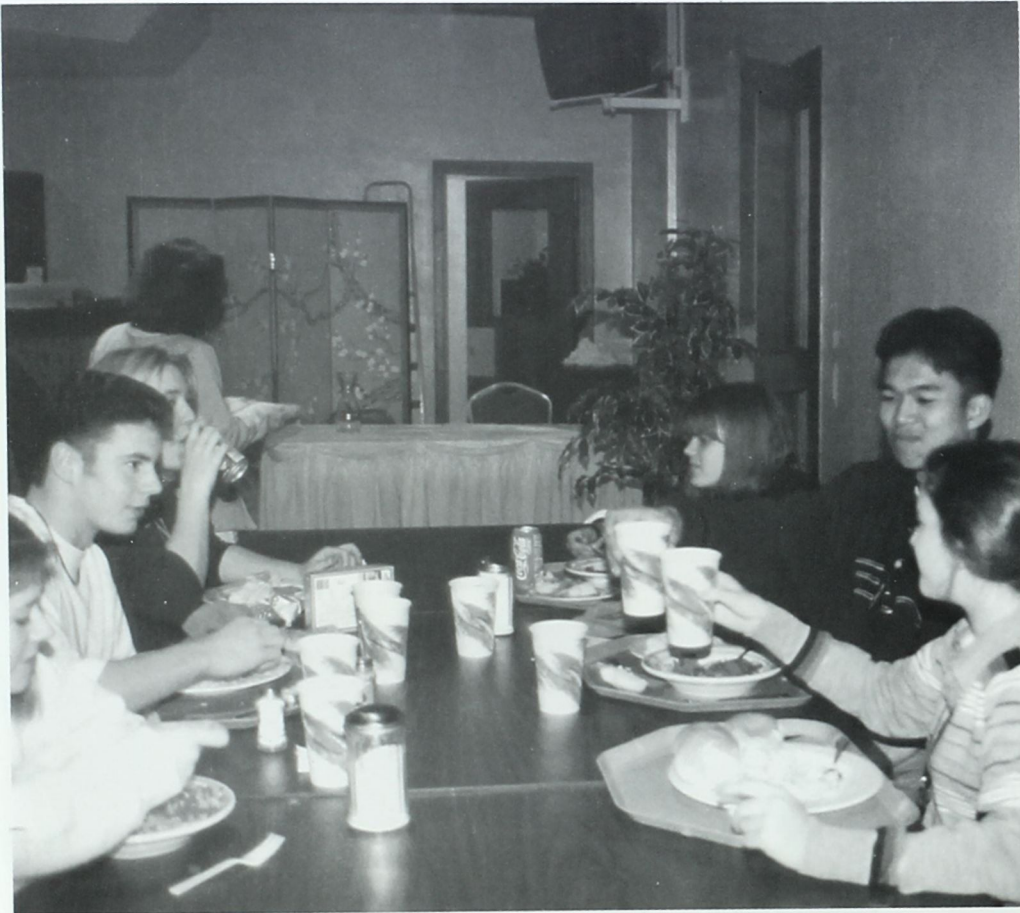


What is so funny Danny Orozco?



This table seems to be freshmen only.

"Cheers!" says Ed Borromeo to his hungry table.



Lowerclassmen weren't just whinning when they said the lines were to long!

Dogan Ropoli talking to himself as usual.

Lorena Ortega tames the Alps.

AHS students ready and waiting for winter break.



Piancavallo seemed to be a "hot spot". With the cold climate everyone rushed up to the mountains to check out the iceskating rink.



Let it snow!

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Let it snow!



Trevor Kirchmeier shows off what he learned at boarding school.

Snowfighting, need more be said.

Famous Duo's

Being there when you need them the most.

Katey Harman-9

Eternal friendship with someone who cares. Ken Brann-10
Stays by your side, unconditionally. Dogan Roppoli-12

True to you when you need them the most.

Deltresa Smith-12

Forever and ever. Maggie Pincus-12

Respecting each other. Branden Marshall-11

I can go to them when ever I need them. Deborah Wright-11

Enjoying other's company. Emily Walsh-11

Never will let you down. Kristin Clement-10

Doesn't make fun of me when I make mistakes. Ed Camacho-9

Your best friend has been with you since kindergarten, Junior high, or maybe you just got one in your senior year at Aviano. But never fear, you will never forget all the memories of how you shared each other's gum because you gave your last

piece to a guy. Or how you shared make-up tips on how to emphasize your eyes. You both went to the grand opening of *Independence Day* and even watched Super Bowl XXXI together. Or how you both shared your deepest darkest secrets and shed

tears together when the computer lost your I-Search project. You defended each other when a Naples football player tried to call you out. So now you are looking at your best friend and asking yourself "exactly what do you mean to me?"



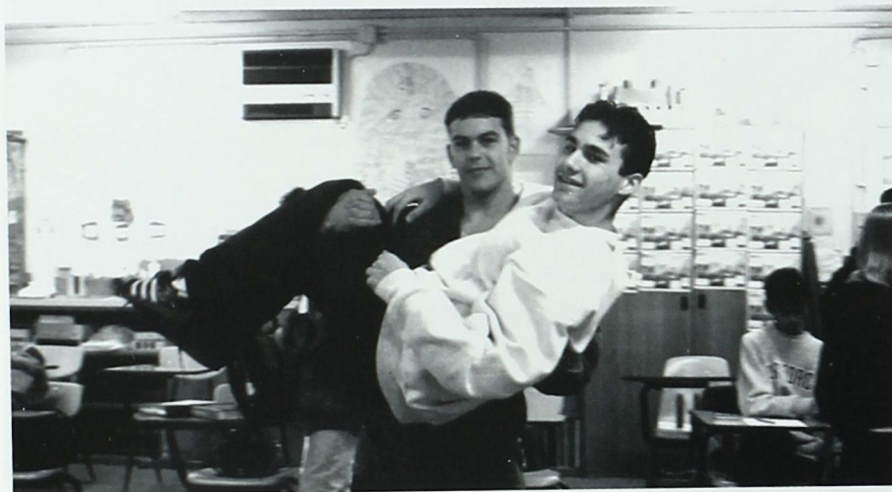
Tab Haggerty and Jovan Quarles gossiping in the halls.

Megan McCormick and Dede Drake can't think of what to say.





Heather Uris helps Kimberly Bratten get her hair just right.

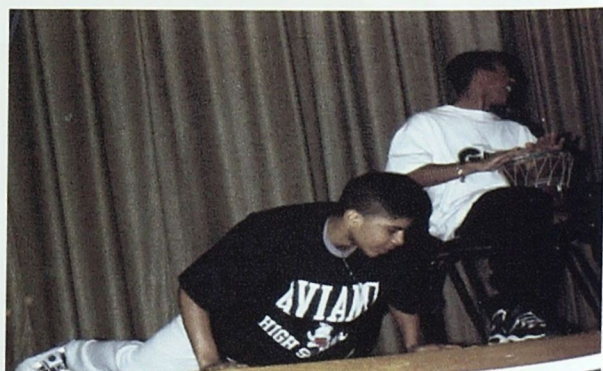
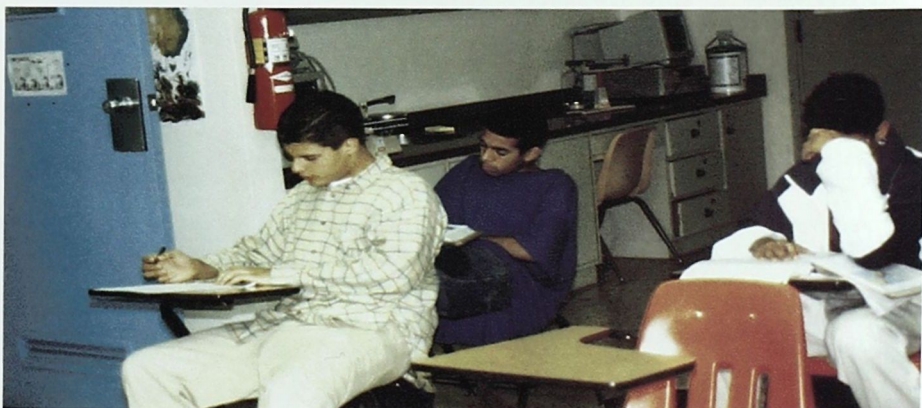


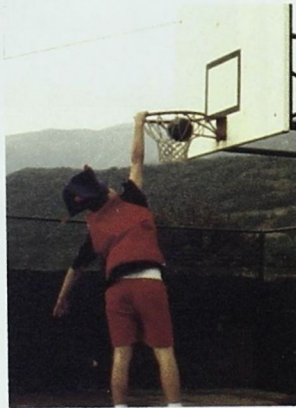
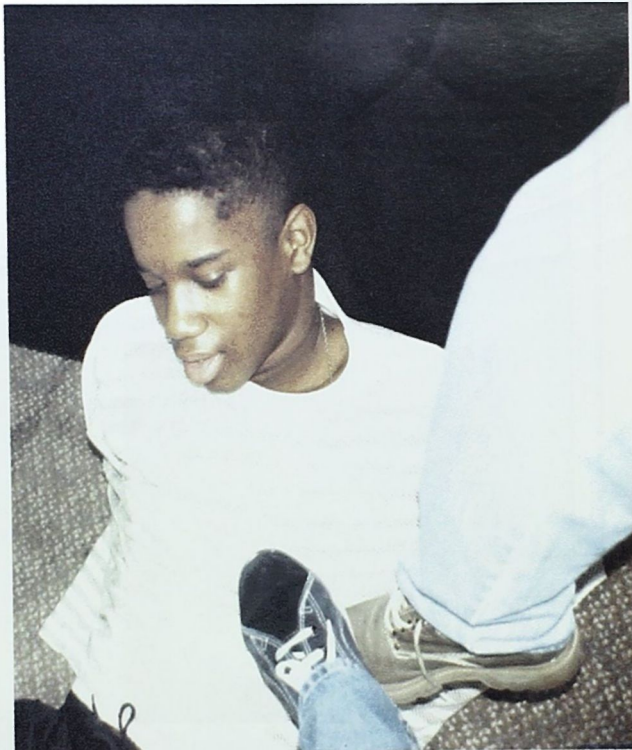
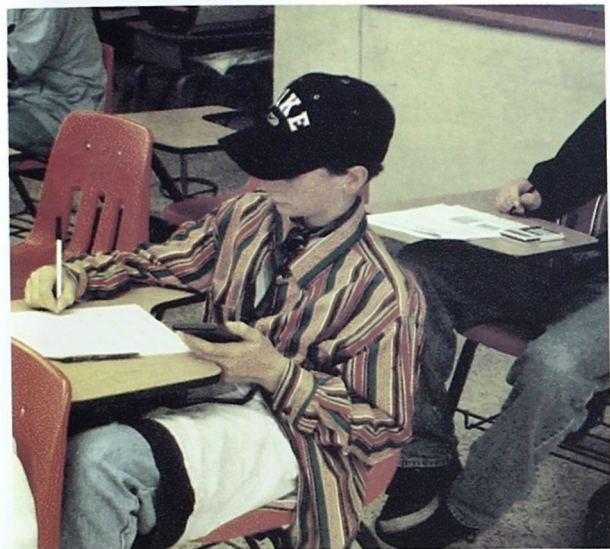
Till death do us part, Corey Sutter and Dogan Roppoli.



Travis James and Cory Derreck look over their plans for the weekend.

Melissa May and Hillary Marcum release Aviano STRESS at the Teen Center.

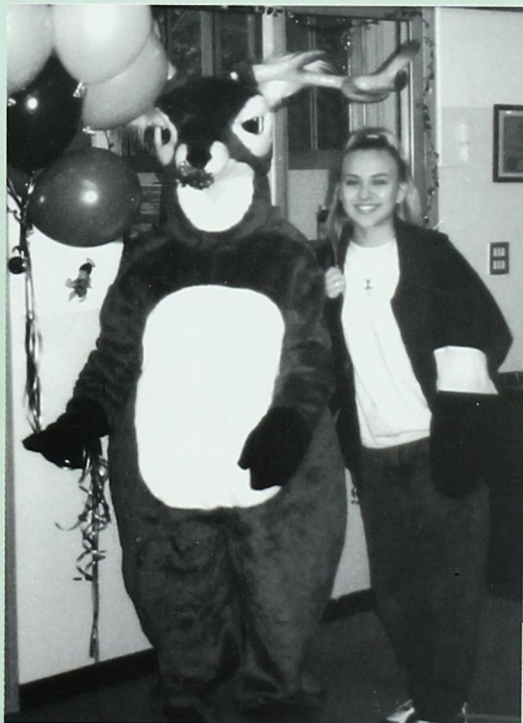




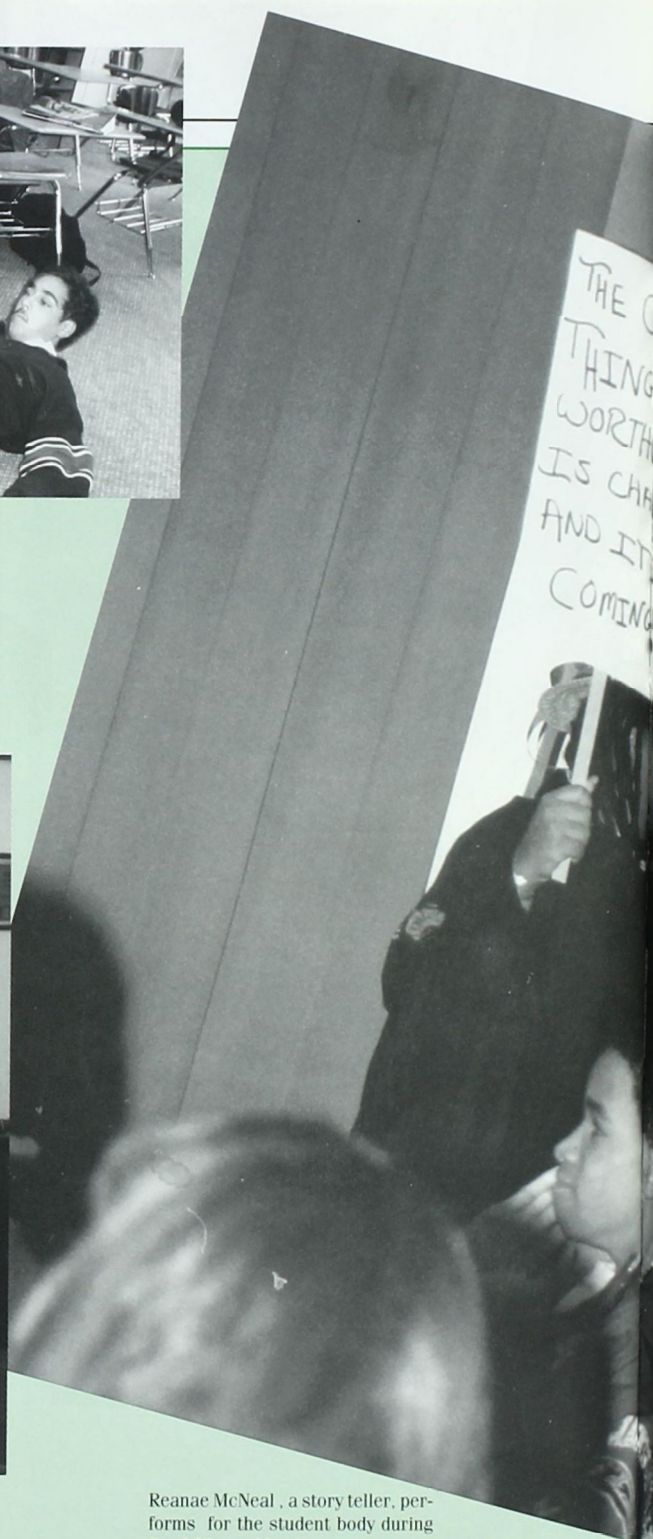
Jason Ghusson shows off his acrobatic skills in French class.



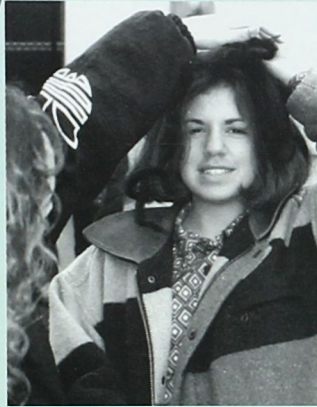
Temperanc Bryand poses with Rudolph.



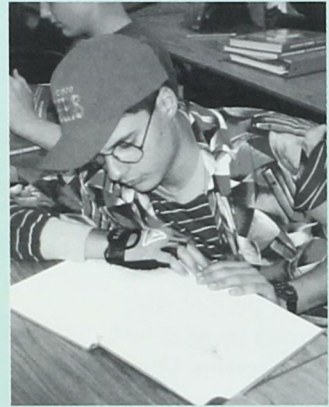
Reanae McNeal , a story teller, performs for the student body during BlackHistoryMonth.



Leslie Kirchmeir restyles the hair of Heather Uris.



James Spencer shows his spirit... by dressing up?



Class Divider



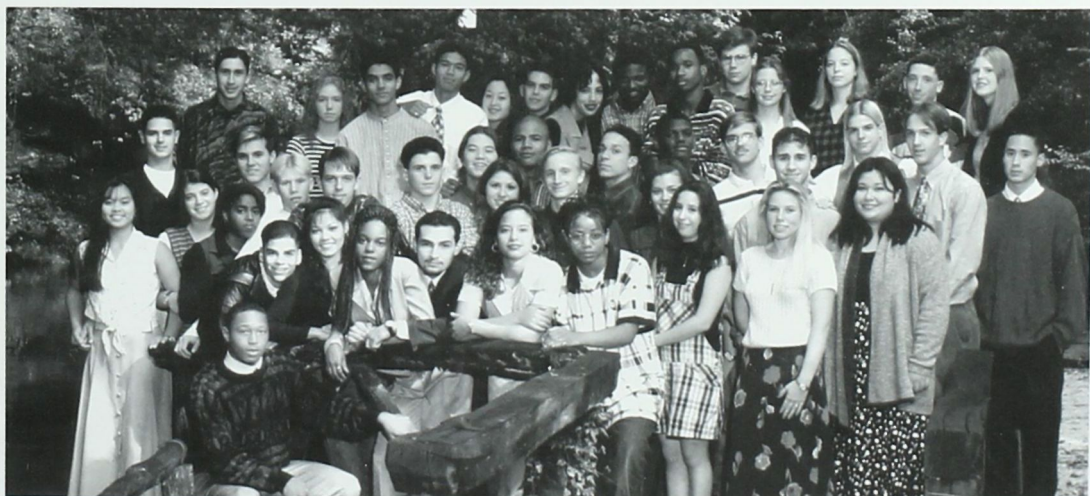
Barbara Sickler looks for a book in the Library.



"I'm going to miss the crowded halls, but most of all the people who crowd them."
- Charles Marg



Laughter and sighs of relief are common after getting through the Senior Hall!



The
Senior Class
of 1997

SENIORS OF 1997 SEIZE THE DAY AND THE FUTURE



Erin Hancock

Carpe diem. Literally meaning "Seize the day." We, as the graduating class of '97, will seize the future. Grasp it by its horns, shake it and toss it until it bends to our will. Mold it like clay until it assumes the shape we want it to. Build it in our own vision. Millions have graduated before us and millions more will graduate after us, but we alone are the class of 1997. Among us, this diverse group who has bonded for 196 days, we contain ambition, drive, determination, and loyalty. Some of us have been here since junior high and others have just arrived at semester break. Wherever we may be 10 years from now, at this moment we are finishing our careers at Aviano High School. As we reflect on our time here, we hope that we have left our mark on the school and its students. The senior class, a terror to some, an idol to others, will soon be gone but our legacy will live on.

During the year the seniors focused on raising money for a class trip in May. Through bagging, raffles, gift wrapping, car washes, and other fundraisers, we

earned enough for graduation and our summer blast at a beach in Rimini. Our spirit earned us the Spirit Stick during Homecoming. None of us will long forget our fellow classmates riding tricycles, eating jello, and a certain two seniors smashing cake in their faces. Many of us juggled sports, jobs, yearbook, ROTC commitments, and other school activities. The stress of college applications, job considerations, and decisions of the future has settled on all of us. For some, senioritis struck before the year even started and for others, they would rather stay in high school forever. Despite any contradicting feelings as we look to the future, we are indelibly the Aviano High School graduating class of 1997. We will never forget our years living here in Italy.

20 years from now,
if one of us becomes
president, we can
say we knew them
right here at AHS.

-Erin

Senior Class Officers



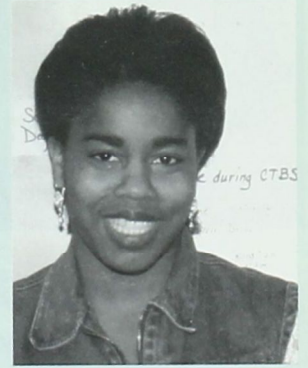
Hillary Marcum
President



Danny Orozco
Vice President



Deltresa Smith
Treasurer



Donna Simmons
Secretary

The Super Senior Superlatives



Best Dressed

Danny Alvarez
Onisha Simmons



Superman & Wonderwoman

(Best All-Around)
Ed Borromeo
Donna Simmons



Best Gazers (Eyes)

Corey Sutter
Deltresa Smith



Aviano's Most Wanted

Victor Benjamin
Tabetha Haggerty



Big Brains

(Most Likely to Succeed)

Eddie Andujar
Erin Hancock



Best Smile

Danny Orozco
Barbara Sickler



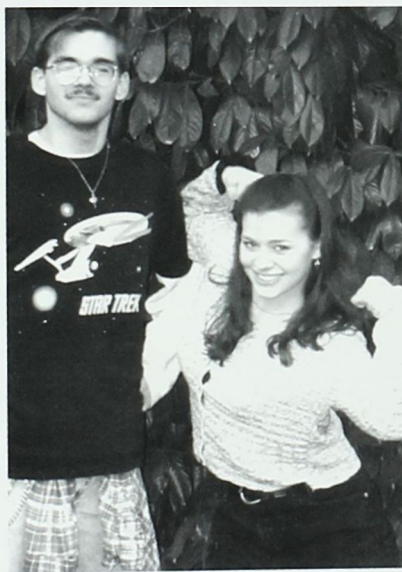
Class Clowns

Dogan Roppoli
Jasmine Stephens



Most Unique

Nich Behr
Naomi Canales



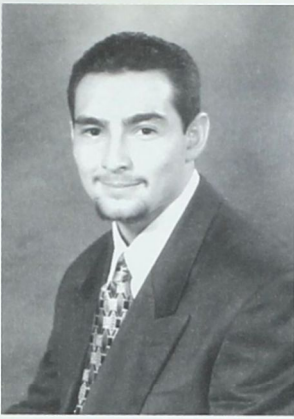
Most Sarcastic

Charles Marg
Hillary Marcum

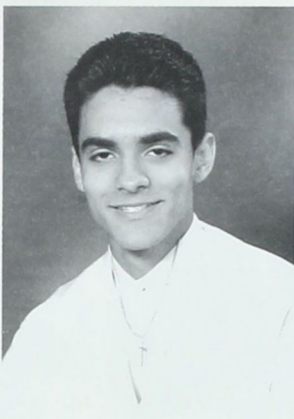


Most Athletic

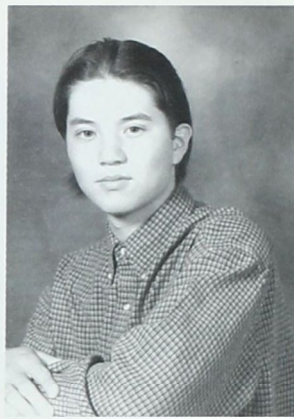
Demone Copeland
Vivian Wagner



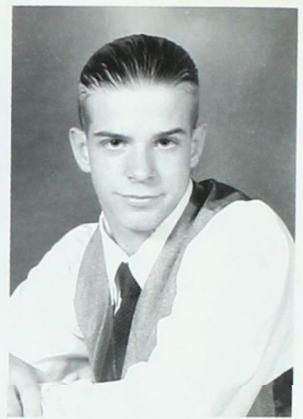
Danny Alvarez



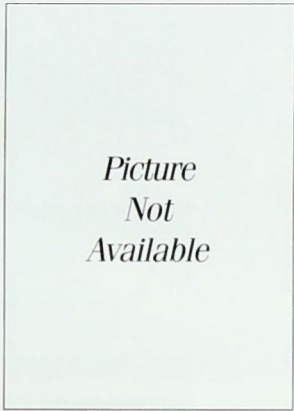
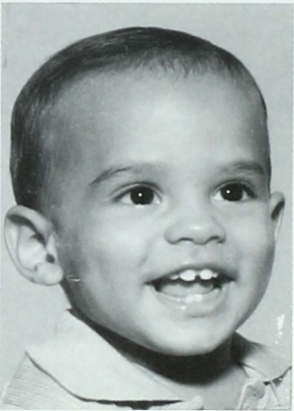
Eddie Andujar



Jay Barrowman



Nicholas Behr



Wrestling 9,11,12
Football 9,11,12

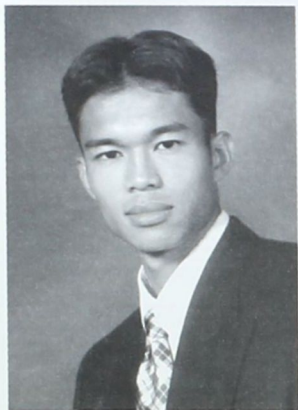
"Eat lots of rice."

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Echoes Lit Mag. 12
Soccer 9,10,11,12

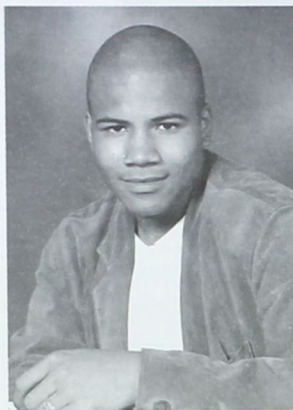
*"Pain is temporary,
pride is forever."*



Victor Benjamin



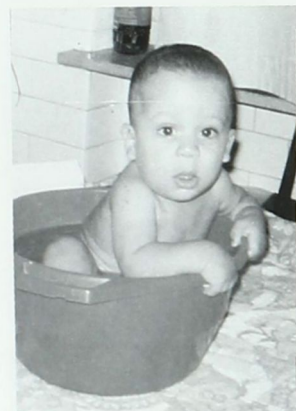
Eduardo Borromeo



Lamont Bryant



Naomi Canales



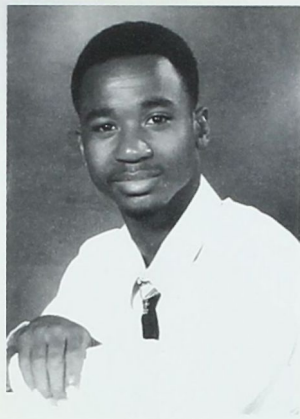
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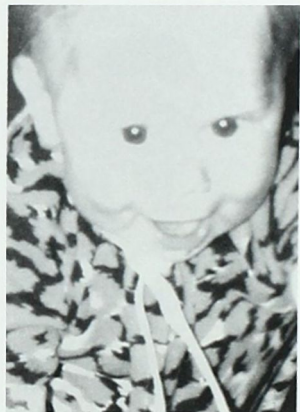
Natalie Dabbs



Jed Davis



Sean Deering



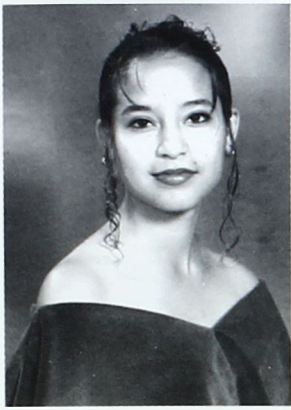
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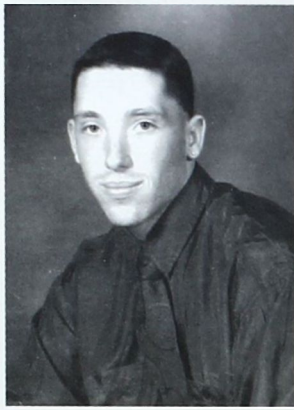
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***"Follow your heart
and do the best in
everything you do,
and you'll be fine."***



Stacey Duvall



David Fulmer



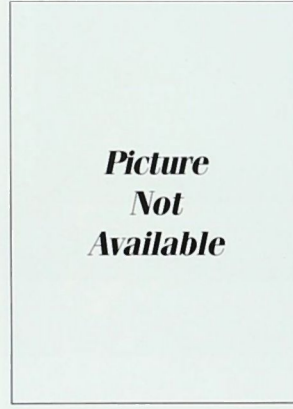
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Tabetha Haggerty



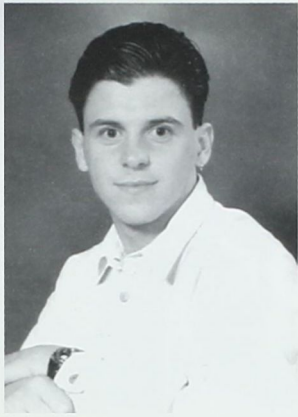
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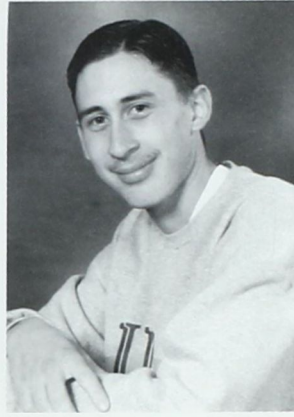
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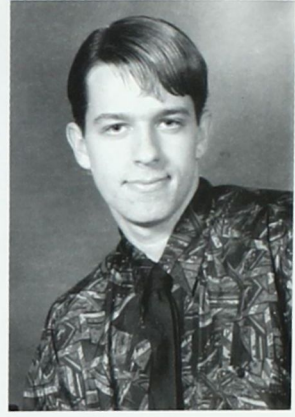
Julius Hall



Erin Hancock



Richard Harvey



Don Hewitt



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Soccer 12

Speech & Drama Festival 10
AFJROTC Summer Leadership 11
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Student Council Student Forum Leader 11, 12
Video Yearbook Editor 9
NJHS Secretary/Historian 9
NJHS 10, 11, 12
Joint President 12
Cheerleading 10, 11, 12
Captain 11

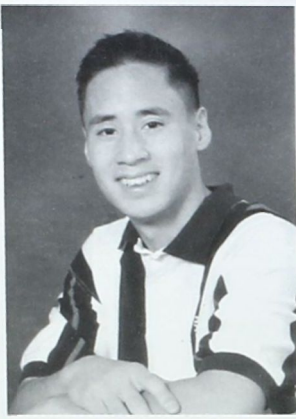
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"In all thy getting; get thee an understanding"
-The book of Willis



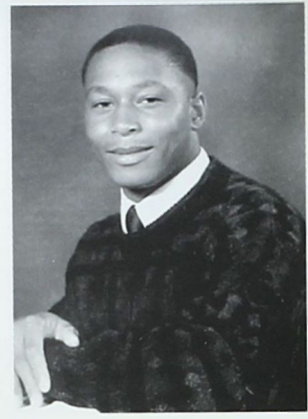
Megan Hill



Danny Holdredge



Ruth Holman



Bobby Johnson



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 Choir & Piano Accompanist 11,12
 President Italian Club 11,12

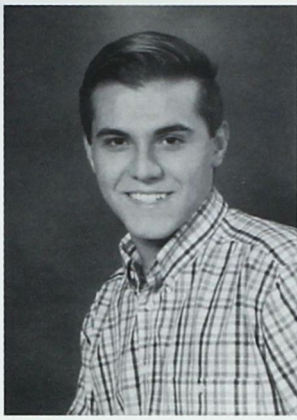
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 Drama Club 10
 Creative Connections 10
 French Club 10
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 AFJROTC Commander 12
 Football 12
 Wrestling 11,12

"For all our trying we remain eternally ourselves."

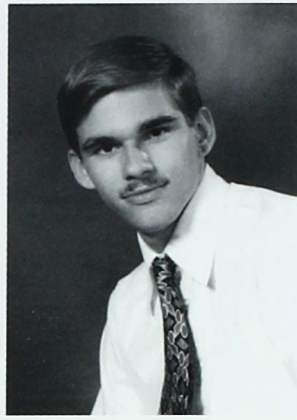
"Only after imprisonment from all judgement is vanguished, can people then truely live with themselves and others."



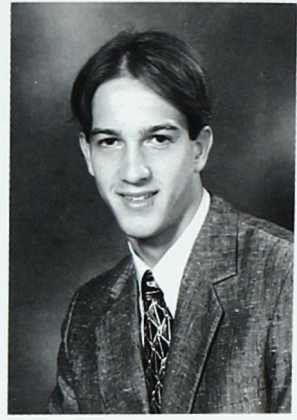
Martin Keane



Hillary Marcum



Charles Marg



Justin May



Video Yearbook 9
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*"I live for work in life,
 I work for pleasures in
 life"*

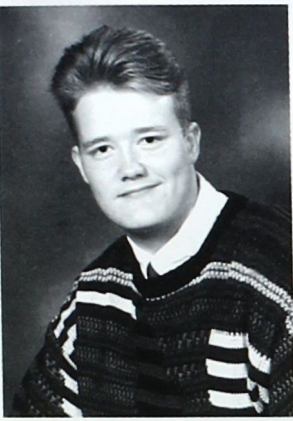
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 Japanese Club 9,10

*"Life will only give up
 what you put into it."*

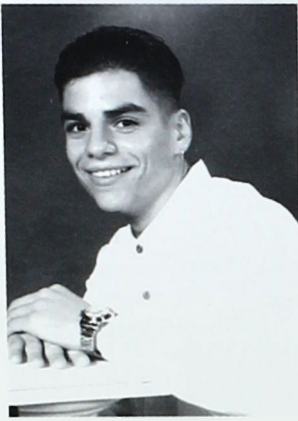
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 AFJROTC Drill Team 11
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*"Your heart is free, have
 the courage to
 follow it."
 -Malcolm Wallace*

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Tim Morrison



Danny Orozco

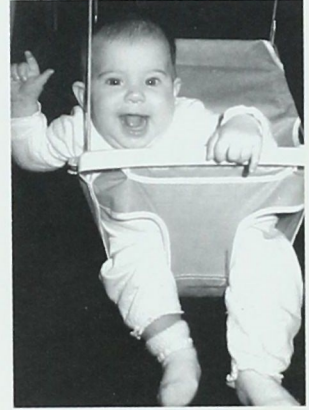


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Maggie Pincus

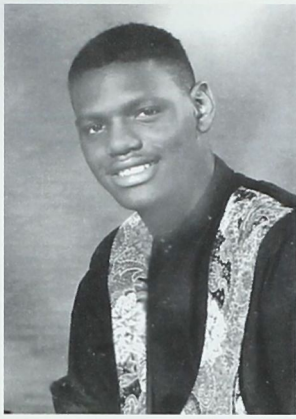
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		Class Treasurer	12	Young Pioneers	10	Basketball	9,10,11,12
		Spanish Club	12	French Club	11	Music Festival	
		Track	11,12	AFJROTC Drill Team		9,10,11,12	
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*"I'm you're Huckle
berry; You're a daisy if
you do!"*

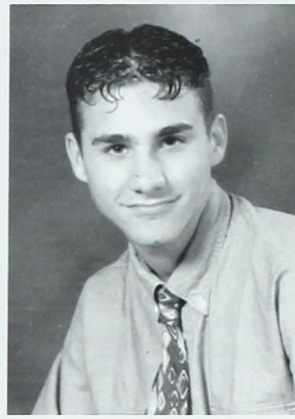
*-John Henry 'Doc'
Holliday*



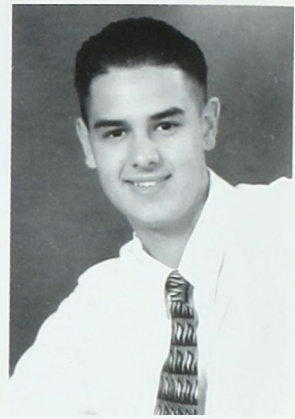
Chris Roberson



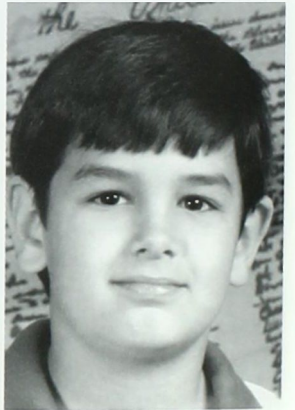
Vanessa Rodriguez



Dogan Roppoli



Mike Russell



Track 9
 Music Festival 11
 AFJROTC Drill
 Competition 11
 Basketball 9,10,11
 Chours 9,11,12
 Football 9,10,11,12

Cheerleading 11
*"Love is a deep well
 from which you may
 drink from often, but in
 which you may fall
 only once."*

Speech & Drama/
 Festival 10,11,12
 Soccer 9,10,11,12
 Wrestling 9,10,11,12

Drama Club 9
 Football 10
 Yearbook 12
 Basketball 11,12
 Italian Club 11,12
 Volleyball 11,12



Barbara Sickler



Donna Simmons



Onisha Simmons



Deltresa Smith

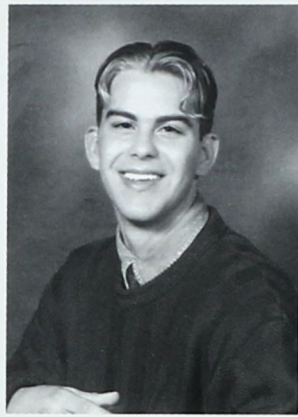


Jonhson's Orchestra	9	Track	9	Track	9,10	Spanish Club	9
Volleyball Manager	9	Cheerleading	10	Cheerleading	9,10,11,12	Track & Field	9
Soccer	9	AFJROTC Drill Team				Prom Committe	11
NHS Treasurer	11		11,12			Class Rep.	12
Prom Committee	11	Class Officer	9,10,11,12			Echoes Lit Mag.	12
Volleyball	11					Soccer	12
Yearbook	11					Wrestling Manager	12
Track	9,10					Yearbook	12
French Club Pres.	11,12						

"As you see yourself, I once saw myself. As you see me now, you will be seen."



Jasmine Stephens



Corey Sutter



Vivian Wagner



Rachael Workley



Basketball 9,10,11,12

Football 9

Class Rep. 10

Track 9

Hinterbrand 11

Volleyball 12

AFJROTC

"Life is what happens while you are making other plans."

Wrestling 9,10,11

Summer Leadership 11

- John Lennon

Soccer 9,10,11,12

DODDs-Europe

Volleyball Course 11

Soccer 12

"There is no one you should admire more than ones self."

Student Store MNG. 12

Track 9,10

Italian Club 10,11

Yearbook 11,12

Basketball 9,10,11,12

Volleyball 9,10,11,12

"Beauty is only skin deep."

~~Handwritten scribble~~

Eddie (scribble)

Tamy (scribble)

BIG #44
MIKE

SENIOR SAINTS
Cory Scatter

Justin #7
May

Sam (scribble)

Barbara
Sickles

SHSHSH



Kevin (scribble)

Michelle (scribble)

Donna (scribble)

Stacie
Dabbs

Michelle (scribble)

Stacie
Dunall

Billy Hillary Marcum

Massie
Finney
Tami
Kaggsley

VICTORIAN
#55

Jasmine Stephens

Nick Behr

Rachael Workley
Julius Hall

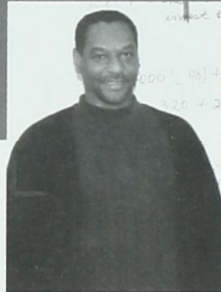
Juniors: One Step from the Top

Man what a year, and now that it's all over, it's time to look back on all the things we've done. For starters we've had a bowl-a-thon, we've bagged at the BX, and we've had bake sales... all in preparation for the Junior/Senior Prom.

Many of the things that we have experienced will affect our lives greatly. Some of these things have great meaning that can never be explained or taught,

but experienced. Deep inside we all knew this, and so with discmen blaring, and baggy pants we've prowled the halls and base searching for our hopes, and seeking out our dreams.

Despite all that we've learned, it still doesn't seem to be enough. It almost depressing to think of all the things we've got to learn.



"Where there's no struggle there's no progress."

Mr. Willis



"True understanding comes not with the how, but with the why."

Matt Hawthorne

Junior Officers



Angela Sposito
President



Melissa May
Vice President



Heather Fasciocco
Secretary



Deborah Wright
Treasurer

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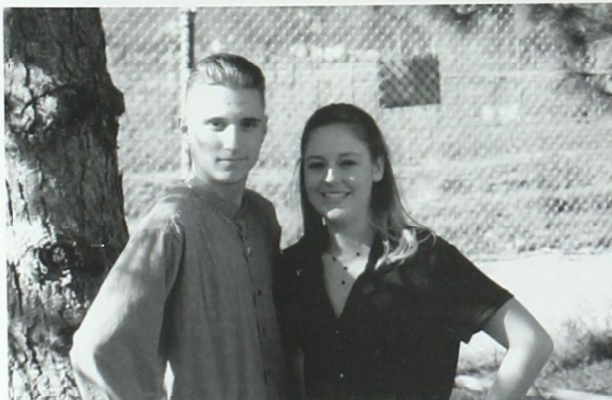
Most Involved
Kevin Dwight, Melissa May



Best All Around
Jarod DiGeorge, Angela Sposito



Best Attitude
Branden Marshall, Heather Fasciocco

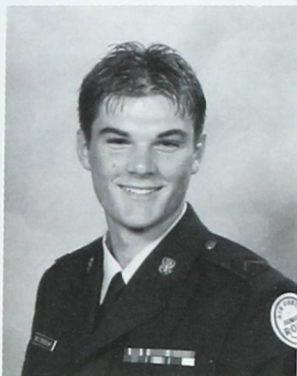


Most School Spirit
Ian Spencer, Carrie Chance

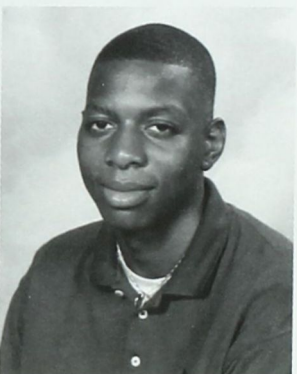
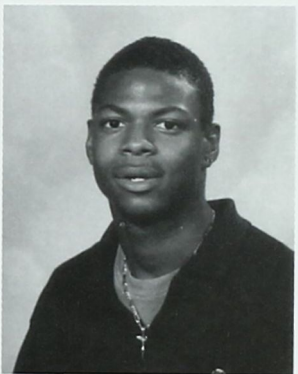


Most likely to Save the World
Jeremy Boltersdorf, Rachel Harman

Anderson, Pierre
Boltersdorf, Jeremy
Buzzard, Teresa



Carlyle, Devon
Carson, Fred
Chance, Carrie



Luigi and Chris studing
in the hall again.



Nobody can do the four legged race
like Carrie Chance, Melissa May
and Angela Sposito.

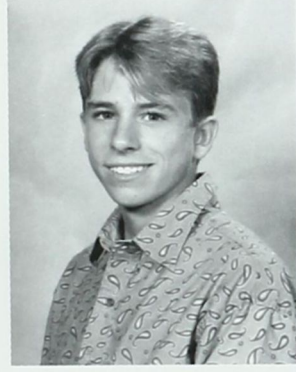
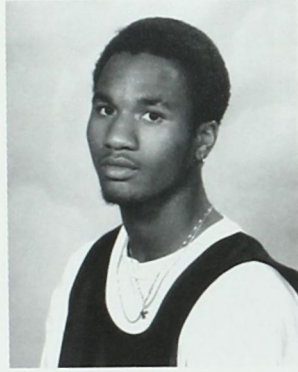


Melissa is such the worker type,
always hacking away.

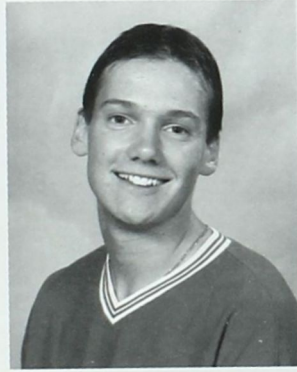
Junior class exceeds the limit



Clay, Anya
Clevenger, Gabby
Corchado, Julie



Dabbs, Jennifer
Derrick, Cory
Digee, Jarod

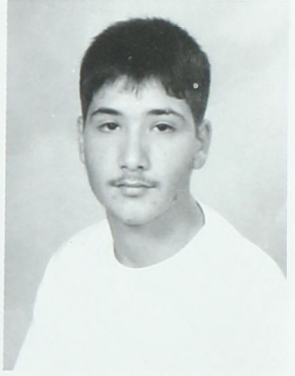
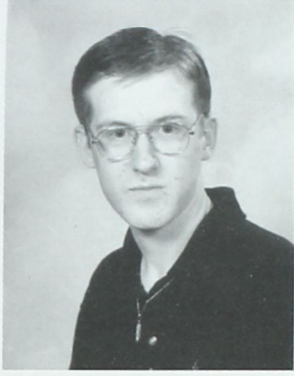


Doyle, Jesse
Dwight, Kevin
Fasciocco, Heather

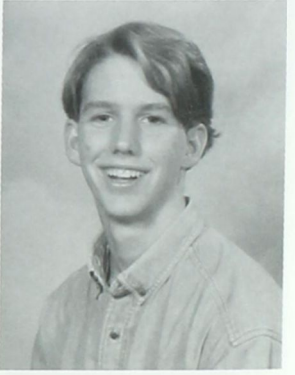
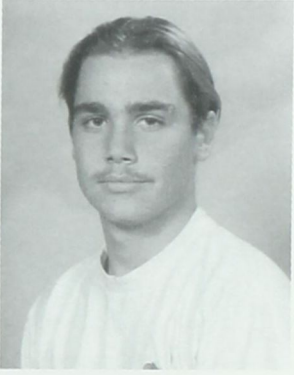


Devon, Reggie and Fred
are studing hard for
their next test in Mr.
Dwights class.

Ferguson, Shanda
Fletcher, Gary
Gabrielli, Pietro



Garrett, Tera
Gosselin, Paul
Guastafarro, Matt



Melissa Thompson has her mind set on this program and has the knowlegde over come the problem that faces her.



Jennifer and Lindy O'Donnell off on their lunch break just standing around waiting for nothing.



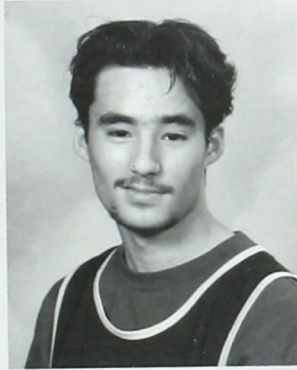
Coolie Sheppard is going to win the race in the smallest bike in school.



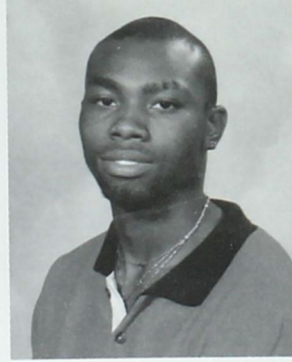
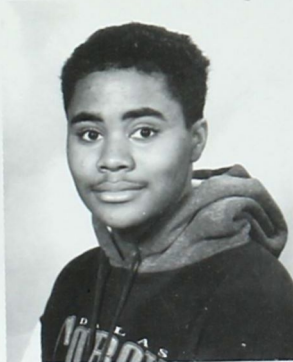
Jennifer and Melissa have superior timing when it comes to drink through a straw.



Hansen, Abby
Harman, Rachael



Hawthorne, Matt
Holdregde, Chris
Kinnison, Ken

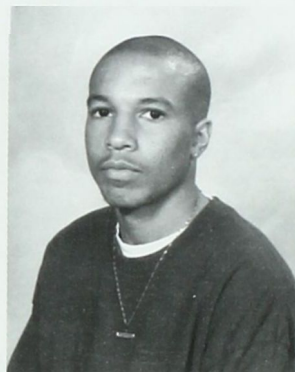


Kirchmeier, Trevor
Larry, Marques
Legette, Lester

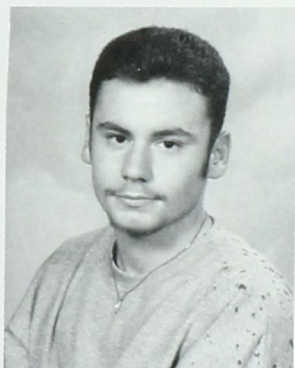
Jovan Quarles, Ms.
Congeniality with a cup.



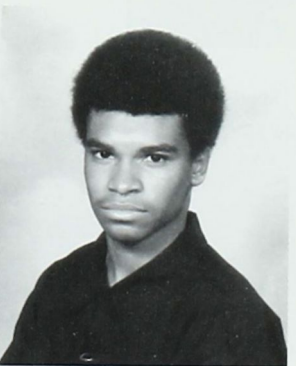
Levesque, Jennifer
Long, Reggie
Lucidi, Luigi

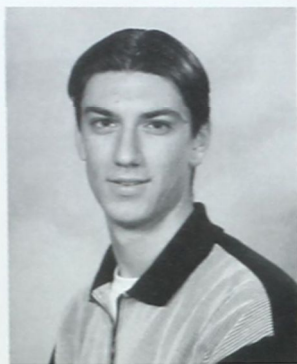


Madill, John
Marshall, Branden
May, Melissa

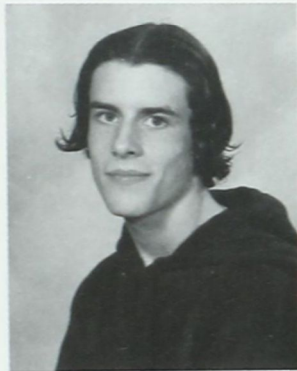


Miller, Kelvin
Newton, Jennifer
O'Donnell, Lindy





Ovellette, Melissa
Perin, Juan
Phinney, Michael



Quarles, Jovan
Roger, Joe
Runge, Chris



Heather Fasciocco is
dressed for success.



Melissa Tafe and Matt
Eberhart meditate on
the meaning of life.



Joe Rogers realizes that
he's about to be framed.

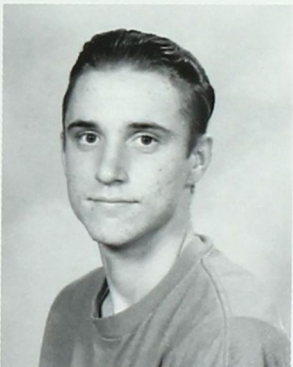
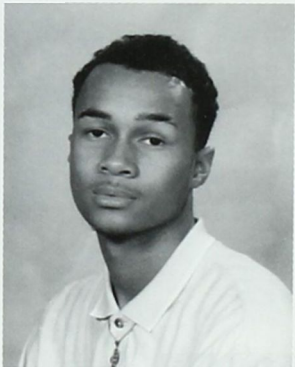
Reggie and Jovan study frantically for their Geometrytest.



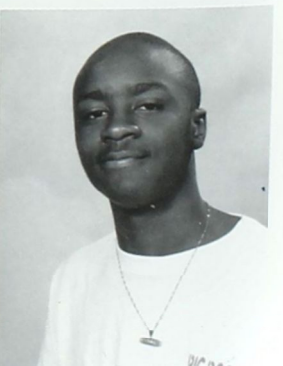
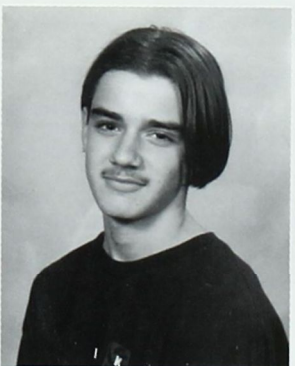
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Scott, April
Seward, Lisa

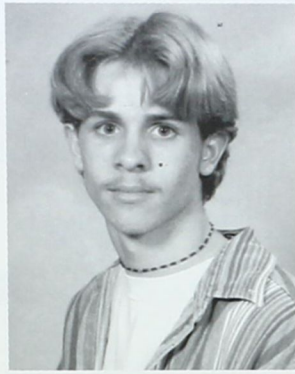


Sheppard, Coolie
Spencer, Ian
Sposito, Angela

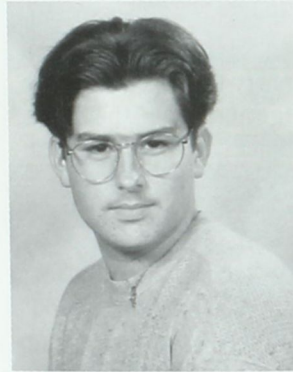


Starr, Tim
Tafe, Melissa
Tate, Derrick





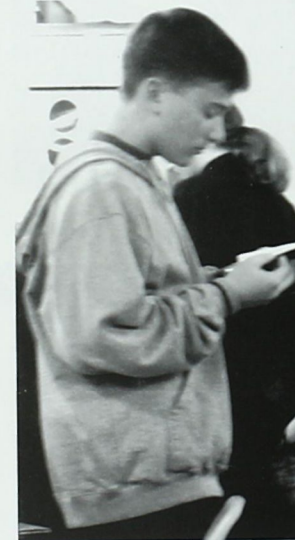
Thompson, Melissa
Walsh, Emily
Wilson, Tommy



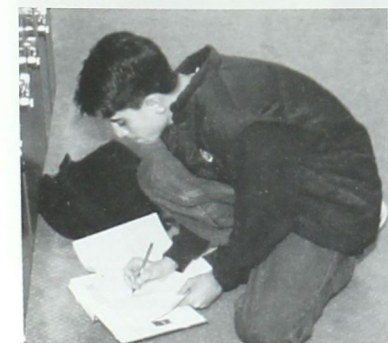
Wolsey, Jody
Wright, Deborah
Vassell, Sylvia



Freezing to death
Teresa, Carrie and
Kate realize they
really do need
their jackets.



Concentration is the key
for Jesse Doyle.



Bilge Coskun tries to finish up
the last little bit of homework
for class.

Taking life as it comes

For all of the Sophomors this year it was about taking a step forward. We took action as the moment was offered to us. We participated in various fund raisers, from gift wrapping to bake sales and managed to make some cash.

We won the class skits during Spirit Week with thanks to Sean Cambell, future stand-up comedian. We also worked hard on

hall decorations but, the big-headed seniors prevailed as usual.

Ms. Hottinger was class sponsor and helped pull us all together. We choose her because we knew she wouldn't let us slack off. Being the wise fools we were, we needed someone with her attitude.

We didn't have to worry about SAT's or college but, we had plenty of exams to

stress us out. We all definitely had a chance to party: the jocks, the preps, the nerds, and the freaks. Since AHS is small we usually had the pleasure of partying together.

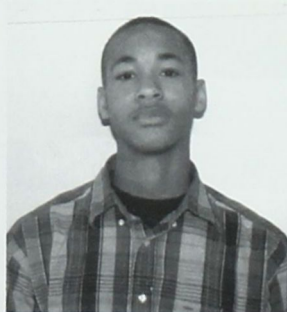
Now, we are entering the domain of upperclassmen hood. Hopefully we won't forget as we *sieze the day* that everything we do a piece of the past remains.-

Kimberly Bratten

Sophomores Officers



*President
Kevin Berryhill*



*Vice President
Ross Dalton*



*Secretary
Heather Uris*



*Treasurer
Chanell Rodgers*

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Best Smile
Ken Brann & Lesley Kirchmeier



Mr. & Mrs. Big Shot
Ross Dalton & Lorena Ortega



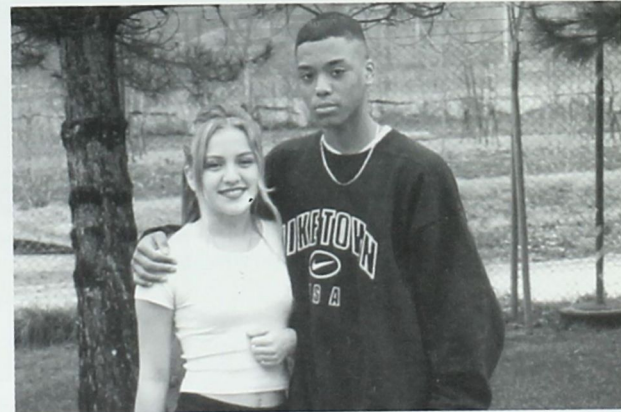
Future Olympians
Cortis Blaisdale & Heather Uris



Most Persistent
Sean Cambell & Kimberly Bratten



Movers & Shakers
Kevin Berryhill & Meg Murphy



Dressed to Kill
Maurice Clarke & Kimberence Bryant

Life gets better one moment

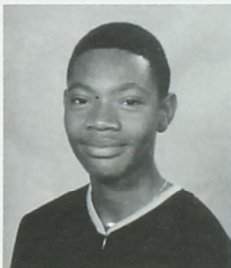
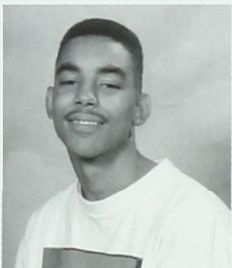
Anderson, Byron
Arnold, Kim
Berryhill, Kevin



Brann, Kenneth
Bratten, Kimberly
Bryand, Temperance

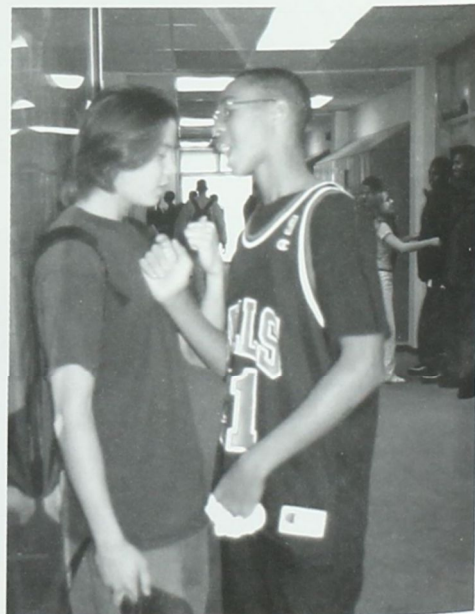


Burke, Aaron
Campbell, Sean
Cano, Virginia

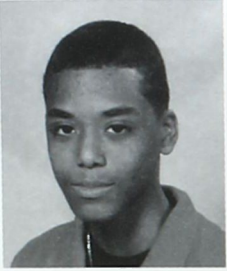


Do you think Ms. Figelli minds that Robert Mobley and Sam Oppelaar are playing cards during her class?

Ross Dalton tells a Senior that the Sophomores are the class that really rule the school



at a time ...



Clarke, Maurice
Clay, Rebecca
Clement, Kristin



Coker, Charles
Colzani, Bonnie
Dalton, Ross



Daugherty, Chad
Fisher, Benjamin
Ghusson, Jason



Lesley Kirchmeier and Jessica Ravert at a secret rendezvous.



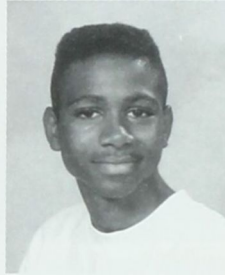
Meg Murphy explains to Rebecca Clay the importance of H₂O.

You don't know what you can do

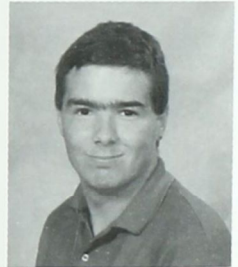
Gosselin, Christina
Grenga, Nika
Guess, Katherine



Haggerty, Lee
Kirchmeier, Leslie
Lawson, April



Martin, Robert
Muasau, Jarod
Mobley, Robert



Lorena Ortega in her usual state.



They seem to have a picture of someone sleeping in every yearbook; well Ken Brann is ours.

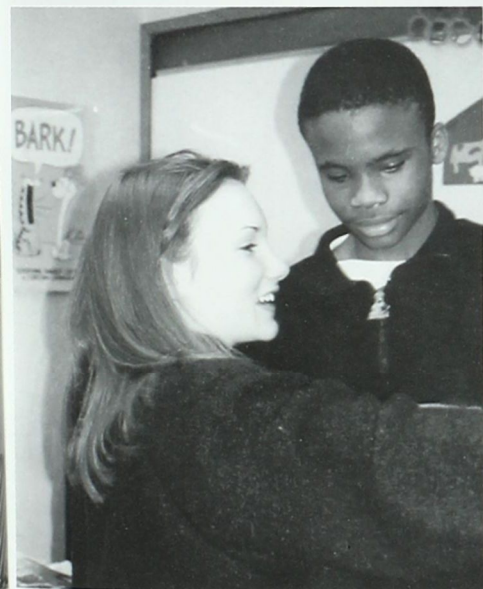
until you do it. . .



Morrison, Kris
Murphy, Meg
Myers, Rebekah



Oppehar, Sam
Ortega, Lorena
Pincus, Alex



What trouble has James Spencer gotten Christian Valencia into now?

Kristin Clement shows Mike Thompson a few "moves".

What little white lies have you told ?

"Lied about my age!", Leslie Kirchmeier

"Santa Clause is real. I swear!", Ken Brann

"To many little lies to remember one.", Natalye Teske

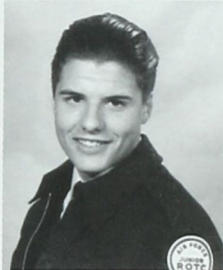
"I don't lie about anything.", Landon Willis

The only way a lazy person succeeds

Ravert, Jessica
Rice, Hui Yong
Rodgers, Chanell



Spencer, James
Stephens, Anthony
Sweatland, Tamra



Tavarez, Brett
Teske, Natalie
Turner, Brandy



What stresses you out?

"Chemistry Exams" Ben Fisher

"Body Suits" Ellie Ditch

"Aviano" Heather Uris

"Everything about school" Drew McLean

What calms you down?

"Watching T.V. and eating junk" Ken Brann

"Drinking warm milk" Kim Bratten

"Listening to music" James Spencer

is by doing nothing. . .



Uris, Heather
Valencia, Christian
Valle, Christina



Walters, Elizabeth
Weland, Mike
Wiggins, Candace

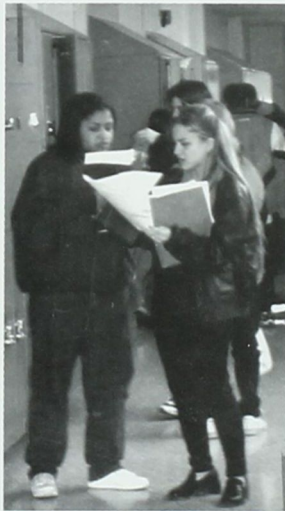
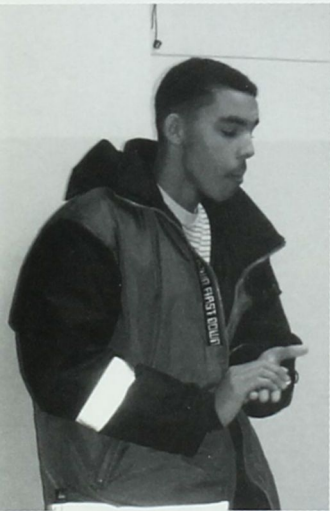


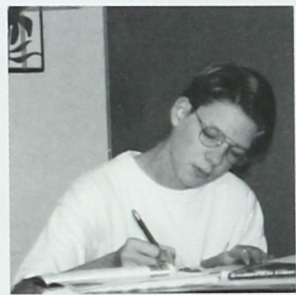
Willis, Landon
Workley, Eric



Kimberly Bratten knows that milk does a body good.

Only at AHS do students wait for the school doors to open and let them in.

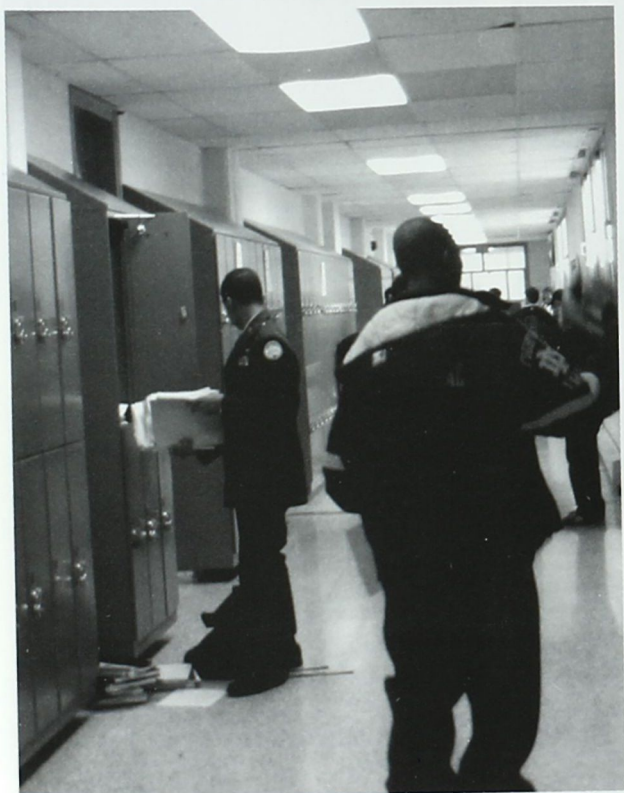
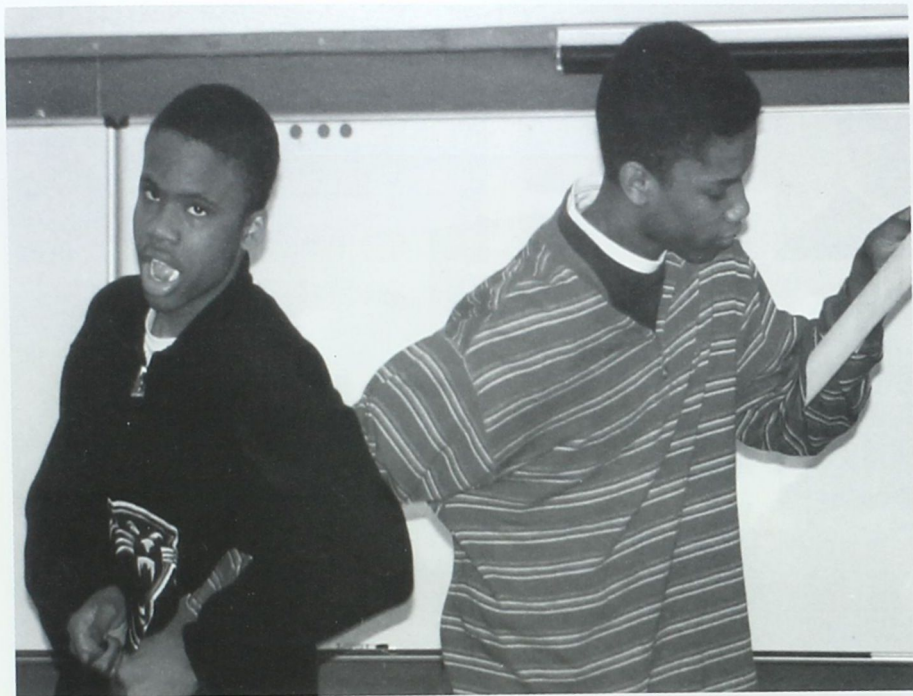




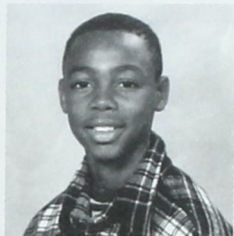
Freshmen

Striving for their own
identity.





Steven Adams
Marquis Alderman
Travis Anderson
Erick Andujar

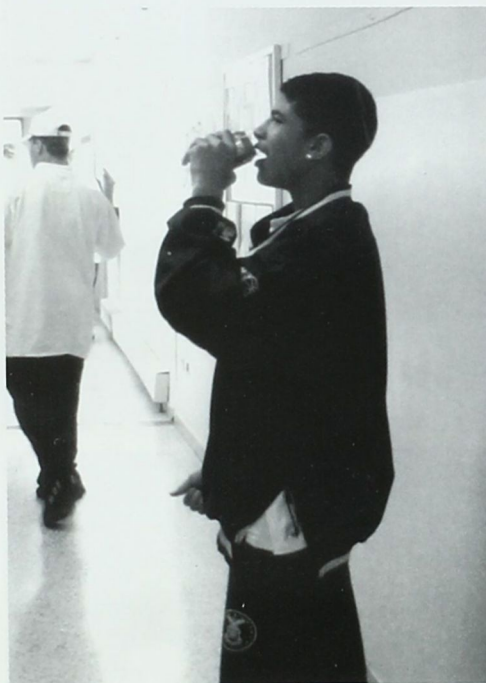
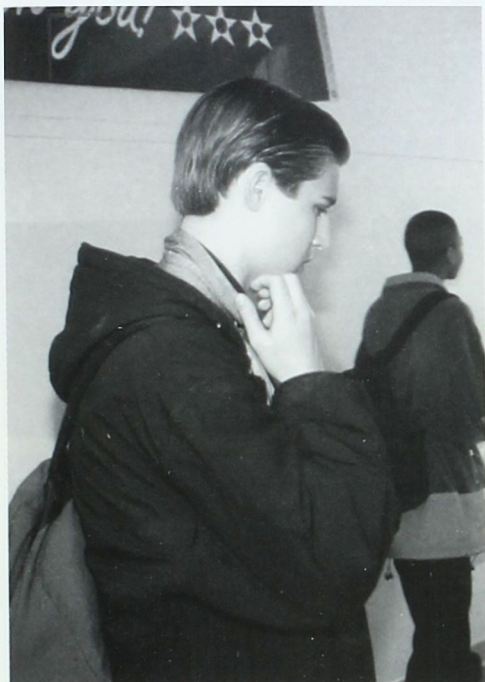


Chris Atienza
Krystal Aviles
Sterling Bridges
Mitsuko Brooks



Daniel Boltersdorf
Mari Borromeo

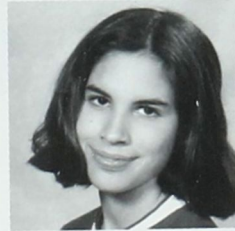




Ed Camacho
Jon Chelgren



Alison Christopher
Michael Colon
Cyndy Cundiff
Andrea Clague



Maurice Davis
Shane DiGeorge
Deniz Drake
Greg Engbrecht

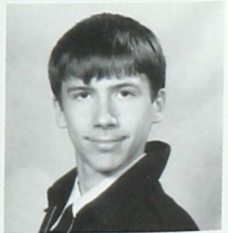
Matt Eisenhaver
Jeffery Eldridge



Robyn Flanner
Carlo Gabrielli
Ricky Gonzales
Greg Goodwin

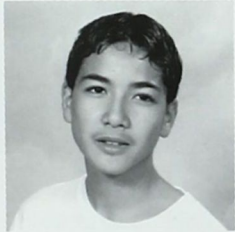


Greg Grant



Chris Green





Karina Green
 Mike Guastafarro
 Kathryn Harman
 Gabe Harmon



Alex Harrison
 Lakia Hasty





Lamont Hughes
Lili Hughes



Alex Iffil
Tracy James



John Janice
Kristle Johnson
Keane James
Theresa Knepp

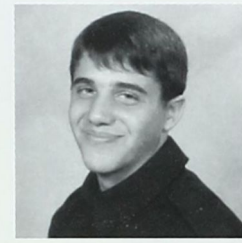


Anthony Klug
Brittany Long
Chris Marshall
Meghan McCormick





Jamal Millisock
David Mitchell
Ashley Montair
Shawna Myers



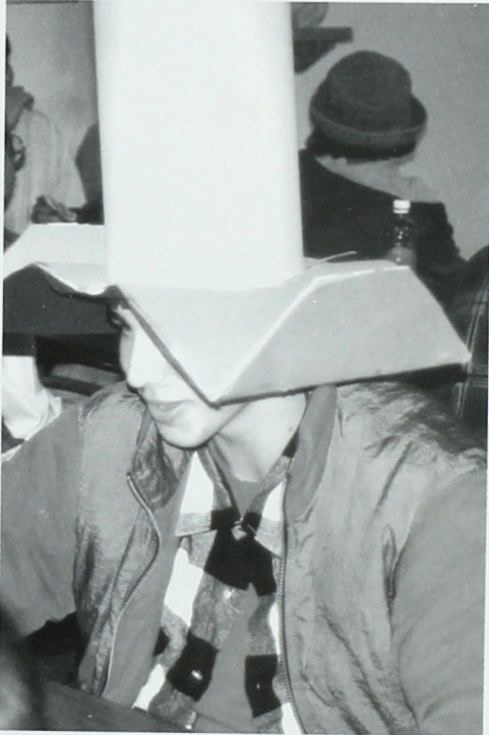
Steven Neville
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Chris Prince
Matthew Pincus



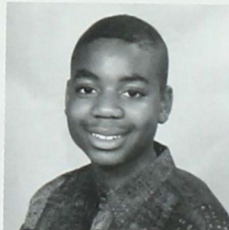
Jessica Reyna
Justin Richter



Jocelyn Rodriguez
Rick Rogers



Phillip Romain
Nicole Rust



Brianne Seymour
Marlon Scott
Michael Shacklee
Alisha Stevens



Maria Sikoriak-Robins
Chris Sweatland
Rachael Valencia
Anthony Van Kline





Hector Vara
Vinon Varnado



Jennifer Vetitoe
Michelle Warren



Jonathan West
Jillian Wieland
Jimmy Williams
Christine Wilson



James Wise
Christine Wolsey



EIGHTH GRADERS

Make plans for being Freshmen

Seventh grade...don't you remember it? We couldn't wait until we became Eighth Graders (at least most of us). Now, we can't wait to become Freshmen. Gee wait until we become Seniors, then where will we go? College?

This year we had the trip to the Aviano Market, ice-skating in Piancavallo, dances and Spirit Week. Eighth Grade finally got to take part in Spirit Week! Speaking of spirit...did you see

Dean Henley? He wore underwear on the outside of his clothes, and it was BLUE! Now that is showing your SPIRIT (no offense to Dean). Did you notice that it is the Seniors who **ALWAYS** win?

We had our Student Council Reps. They were Dena Starner and Michelle Ricard. Thanks to them for keeping us clued in on what was happening. This year was a different year for everyone, mainly because of all the construction. Our hall was the size

of a mouse hole, but we all made due with what we had. Thank goodness that the teachers were pretty understanding.

Speaking of teachers...I think that the Eighth Grade owes a special thank you to all of the Eighth Grade teachers for a great year!

When you look back in this book, on this page you will remember all the good and bad times of EIGHTH GRADE. Hopefully, the good times will stand out. Good luck to everyone next year!

EIGHTH GRADE REPS



Dena Starner



Michelle Ricard



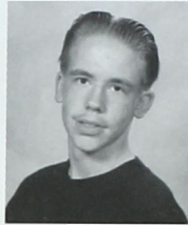
Tania Monteza and Andrea Henderson participating in a classroom discussion



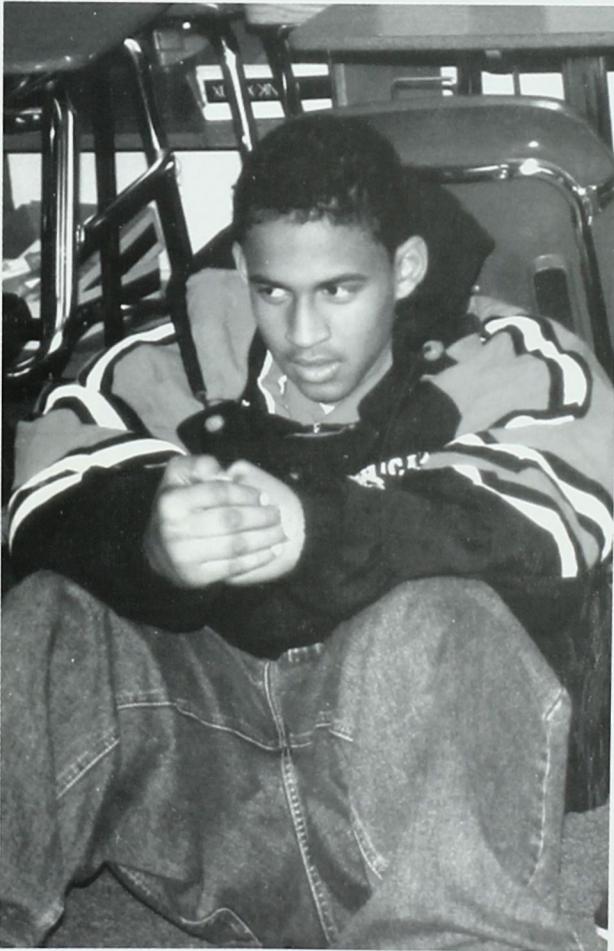
Amity Quinones in Science class.

Amber Greiberis waiting in the lunch line.

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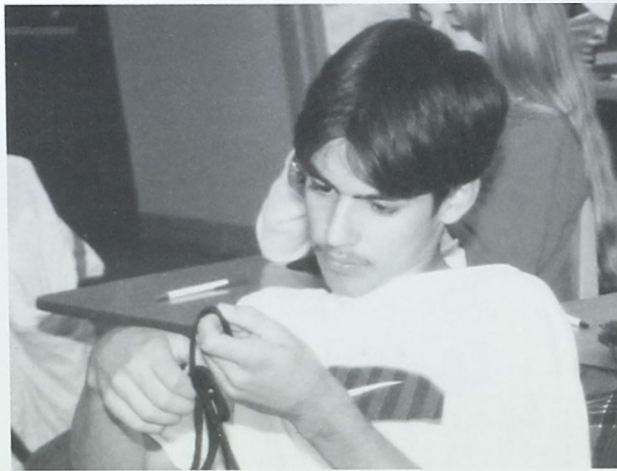
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 Burke, Ryan
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Ali Sahtout patiently listens to fellow classmates



Callan Bryant prepares to leave math class.



Gabe Moreno has a slight diversion in History.

Kevin Wieland, Patricia Truhn,
Sita Tigner in class



Clark, David
Coles, Donyae
Conklin, Daniel
Corbin, Ronald
Coronado, Christopher



Daugherty, Aaron
Cunningham, Tommie
Davis, Matthew
Davis, Rica
Doyle, Lindsay



Eberhart, Julie
Edwards, Loren
Faight, Zachary
Flannery, Bryan
Fredholm, Peter



Grant, Anthony
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Takera Green writes notes in English class.



Alex Reed reads in History.

James Turner Listens intently to a question in English





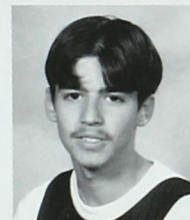
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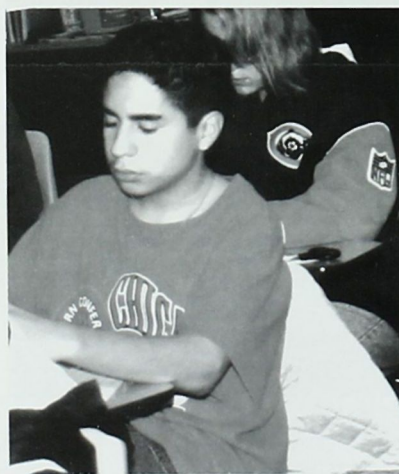
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Miller, Timothy
Millisock, Chester



Mobley, Judith
Monteza, Tania
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Nikolaidis, Andras



Aaron Daugherty and David Runge working on a project in Science.



Chris Rodriguez waits for instructions.

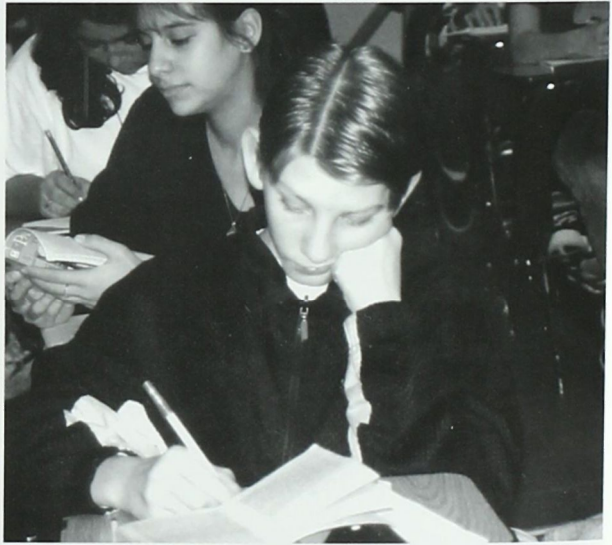
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 Ortiz, Samuel
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Lauren Gwyn's
 beautiful eyes.



Cretia Levi at her cramped locker.



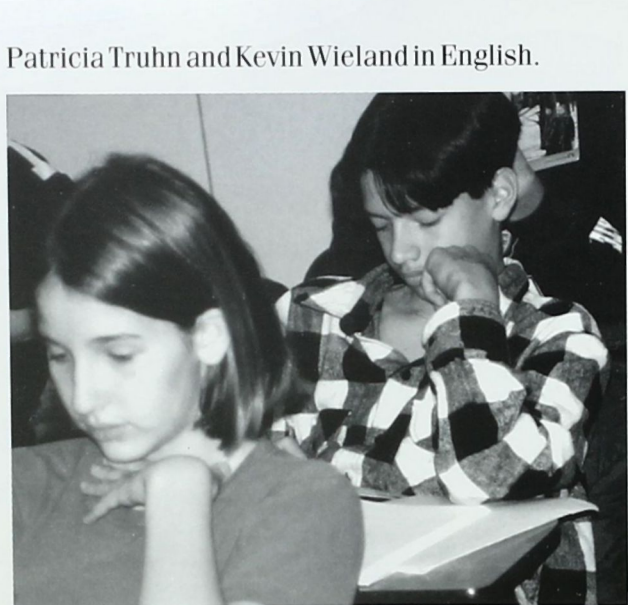
Isaiah Oppelar listens and takes notes in English.

Joshua Pease and Hyejin Murone compare assignments in Science.

Erica Johnson, Hyejin Murone, and Bianca Valencia in a group discussion in Science.



Shannon Sidorek listens carefully to the teacher in English.



Patricia Truhn and Kevin Wieland in English.



Sam Ortiz in math.



Ricard, Michelle
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Runge, David



Saftit, Daniel
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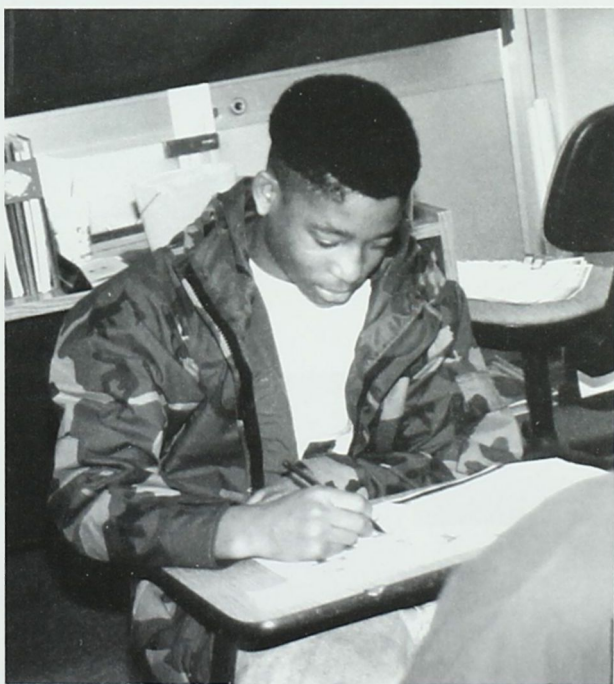
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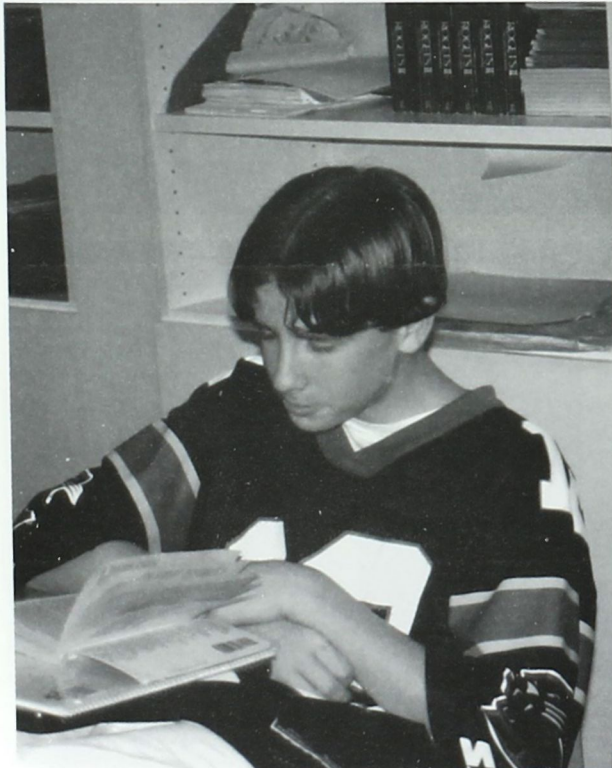
Rodderick Jackson working a math problem



Dean Henley showing his spirit in the lunch room during spirit week



Justin Kemptner and Callan Bryand at the computer in History.



Josh Hawthorne and Peter Fredholm in Math class.

Anthony Grant in English.

7th Graders are on there way to the top.

On the Way Up!



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Alex Atienza



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Caitlin Clement



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Clement, Caitlin
Costanzo, Tara
Crawford, Michael







Cundiff, Cassie
Demski, Philip



Downen, Joseph
Drew, Bryan
Dunham, Raimy
Durkee, Patrick
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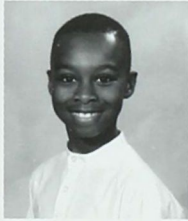
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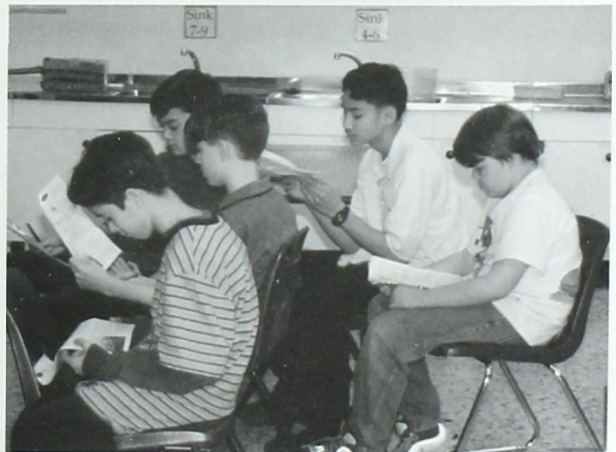
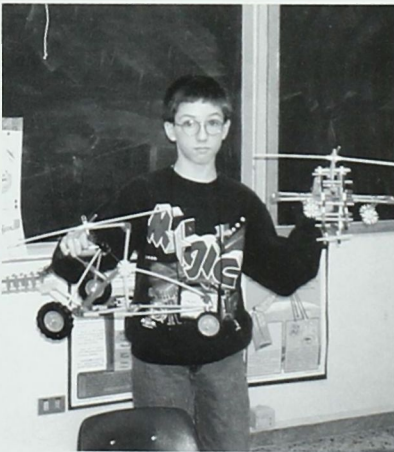
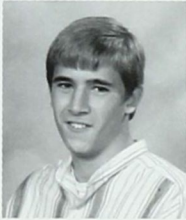
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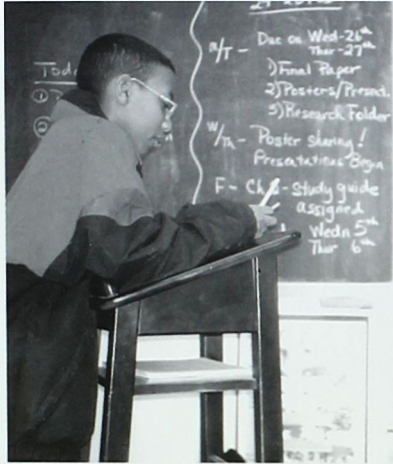


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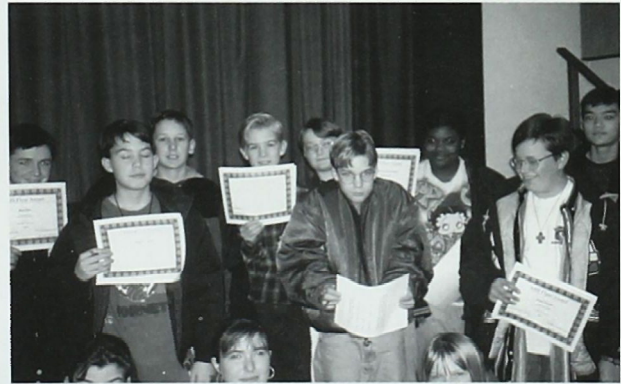
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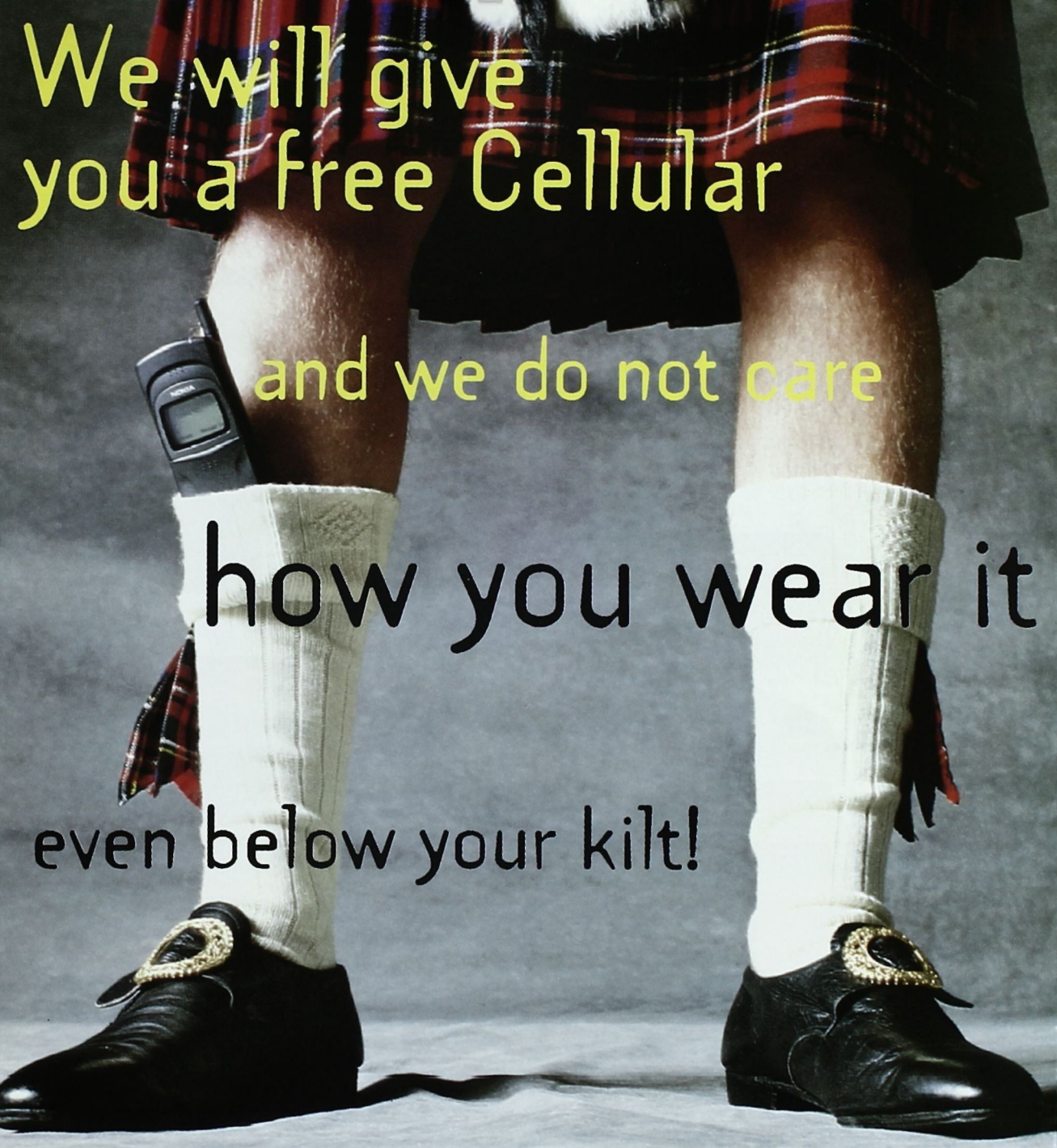


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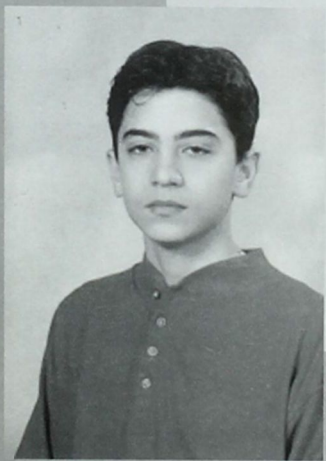
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11th Grade



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9th Grade



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10th Grade

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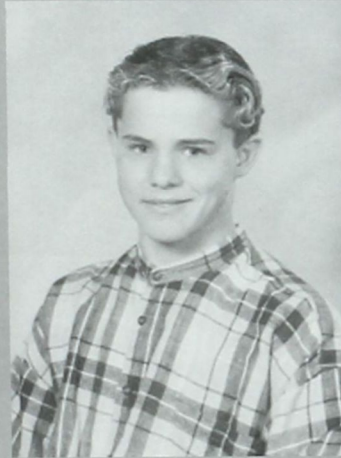
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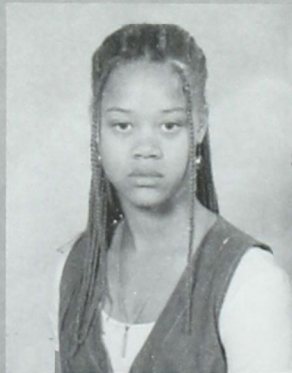
Kimberly Brinkman
7th Grade

Newcomer's are

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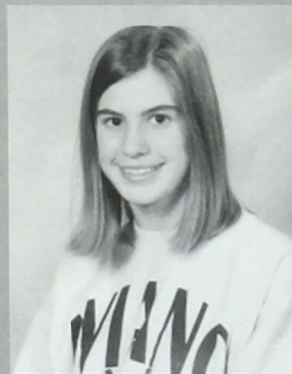
feeling at home in ano.



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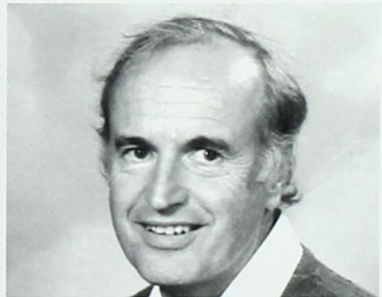
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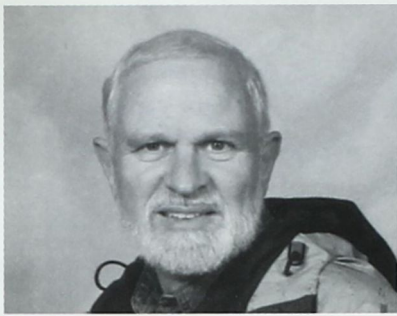
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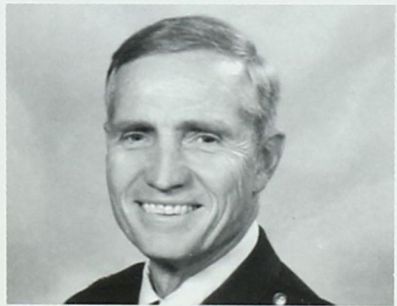
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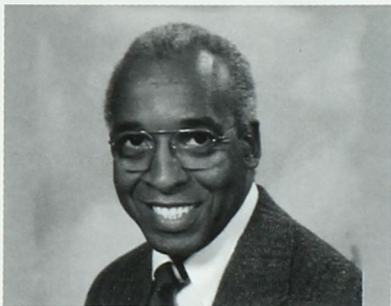
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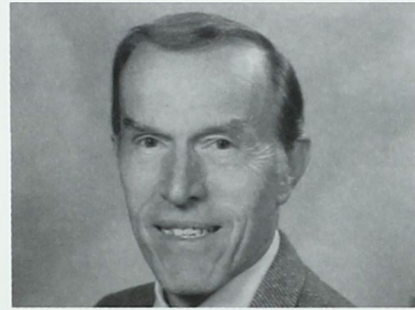
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& Math Analysis



Virginia Nelms
8th Grade Mathematics



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Humanities & Art



Francis O'Gara
Principal



John O'Grady-Walsh
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Assistant Principal



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Bill Reed
Technology



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Supply



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8th Grade English



Jonell Tate
Business & Typing



Nancy Tsekos
7th Grade English



Martha Welch
School Nurse



Gregory Willis
Algebra I & Algebra II

Nich Behr participates in an activity during a pep rally.



Kevin Dwight gives a friendship pin to his Italian host during one of many exchanges that took place.



Maggie Pincus holds Hillary Marcum as she tries to be the first one to eat all of the jello at a pep rally.



Hinterbrandt participants.



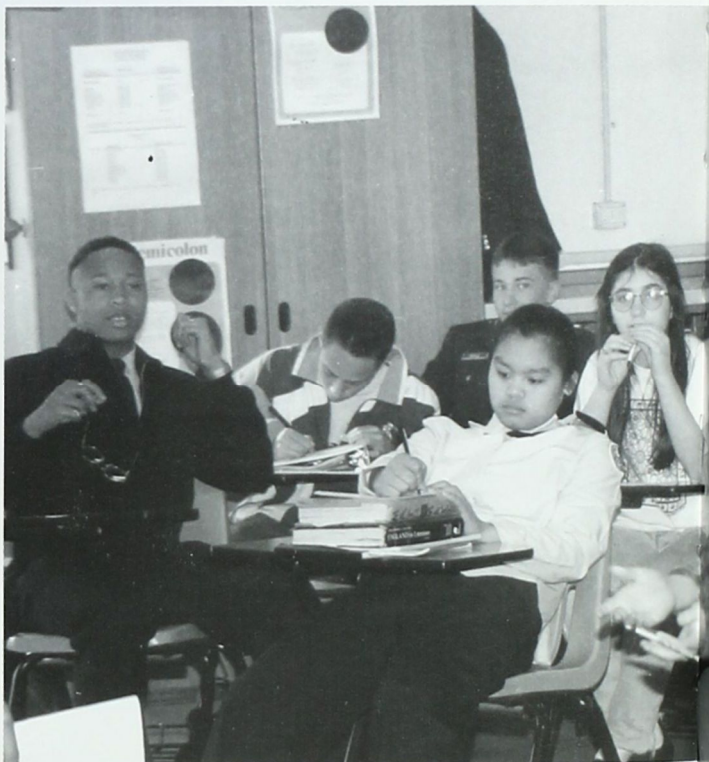
Activities Divider



Jeffery Snider works on the Aviano Times web page.

The representatives to student council.

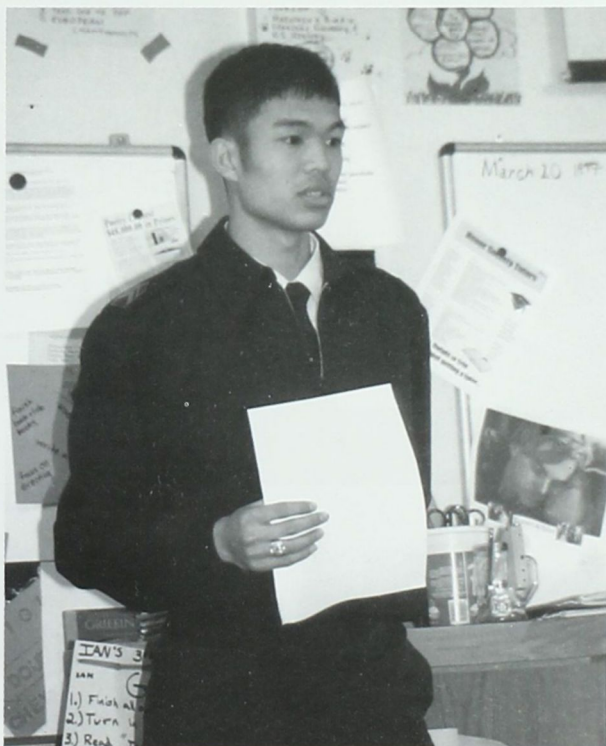
Maggie Pincus thinking about the proposal being talked about.



Emily Walsh is eager to get clarification on the discussion at hand.



Student Council President, Ed Borromeo conducts one of many student council meetings held during seminar in Ms. Hillestad's room.



Student Council

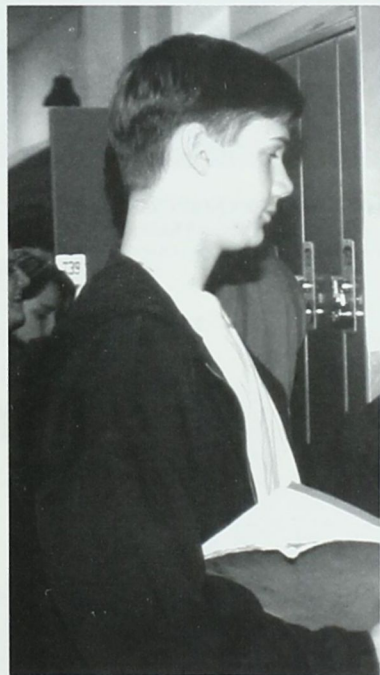
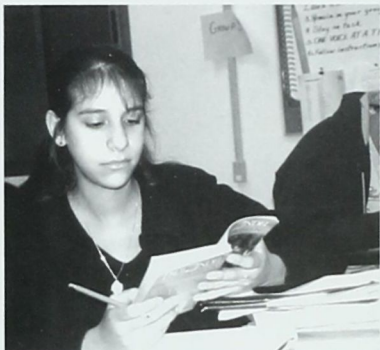


Student Council Representatives Christina Gosselin, Jovan Quarles, and Tommy Wilson take notes to take back to their class meetings.

Abby Hansen listens while Dogan Roppoli discusses the proposal.

Honor Society sponsor Mr. Dwight advises member Lindy O'Donnell to remember all of his interesting history stories.

National Junior Honor Society member Damaris Orozco reads and studies to prepare herself for the hard high school classes ahead of her in the future.



National Honor Society member Kevin Dwight thinks..."What homework do I have tonight?"

Honor Society member Barbara Sickler gives some "smart" advice to her boyfriend Juan Perin



National Honor Society member Maggie Pincus suggest that perhaps she could tutor fellow Senior Vivian Wagner on how to keep a clean locker.

Honor Societies



National Honor Society member Edo Borromeo is crowned King of AHS at the homecoming dance. Here he gives his fair maiden (Donna Simmons) a twirl on the dance floor.

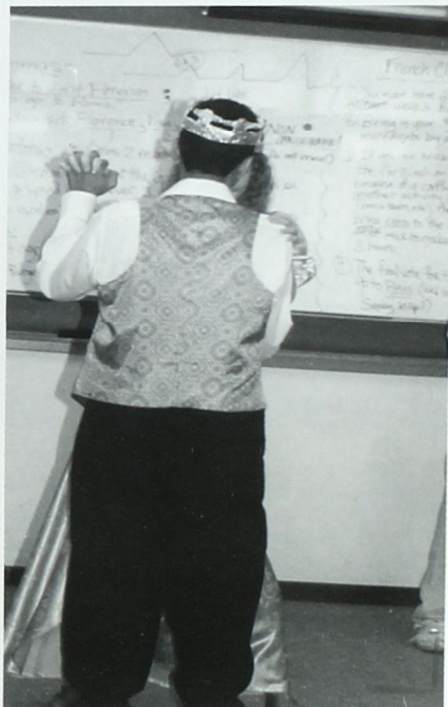


NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY-Mr. Dwight, Anya Clay, Katherine Guess, Rebecca Clay, Abby Hansen, Kristen Clement, Rachel Harmon, Lindy O'Donnell, Kevin Dwight, Maggie Pincus, Curtis Lane, Natilie Dabbs, Bilge Coskun, Erin Hancock, Melissa May, Barbara Sickler, Onur Coskun



French Club

Prince Alex Ifill dances with Cinde "Rachel" (Workley) at the Royal Ball.



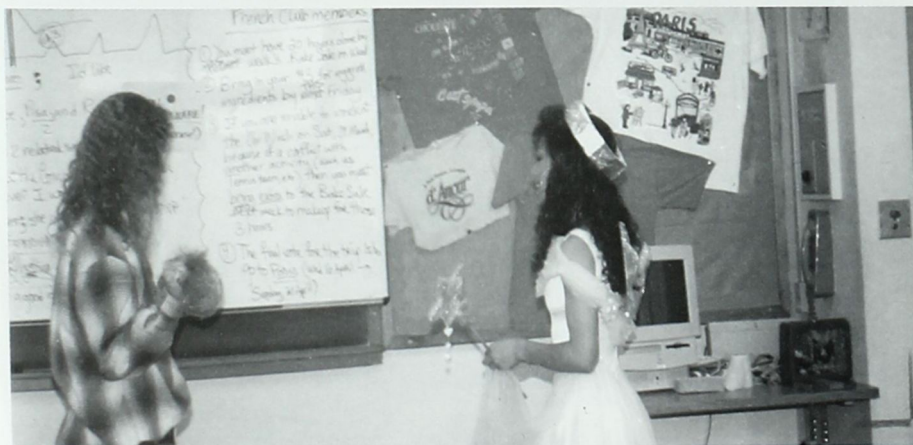
Jeremy Boltersdorf portrays the Big Bad Wolf in the French Club's presentation of the Three Little Pigs

"What do you mean it doesn't fit?" asks Melissa May.





The Prince finds his woman as the Fairy God Mother (Barbara Sickler) looks on.



The Fairy God Mother is determined to make Cinderella a princess.

Italian Exchange

This year we met with American students on a few occasions. These pictures are a memory of the exchange experiences. One time we played basketball and volleyball

and another time we went to Pordenone and shopped around.

"It was fun interacting with all the Italian students," stated Aviano HS Senior Mike Russell.

There was an overnight and it gave us the chance to meet many Americans and get a taste of American culture.

- Enrico, Grazia and Valentina.

Mrs. Cum, Mr. Cesco, Mrs. Byther. They watch the volleyball and basketball games.



The meeting between Italian and American students in D'Annunzio's school.



A moment during the volleyball match.



Italian and American students exchange ideas about the game.

Dr. Hassan and Mrs. Engbrecht before the trip to Pordenone.



Some Italian and American students in Pordenone's shop.

Spanish Club



Heather Fascioco leads a discussion during a Spanish Club meeting.

Sylvia Vassell sets up for one of many Spanish Club bake sales.





A typical Spanish Club meeting.

Another meeting of the Spanish Club. Ms. Susan Marshall, Spanish Club sponsor looks over the meetings agenda.



Young Spanish clubbers listen carefully to their lesson so they will be active members next year.



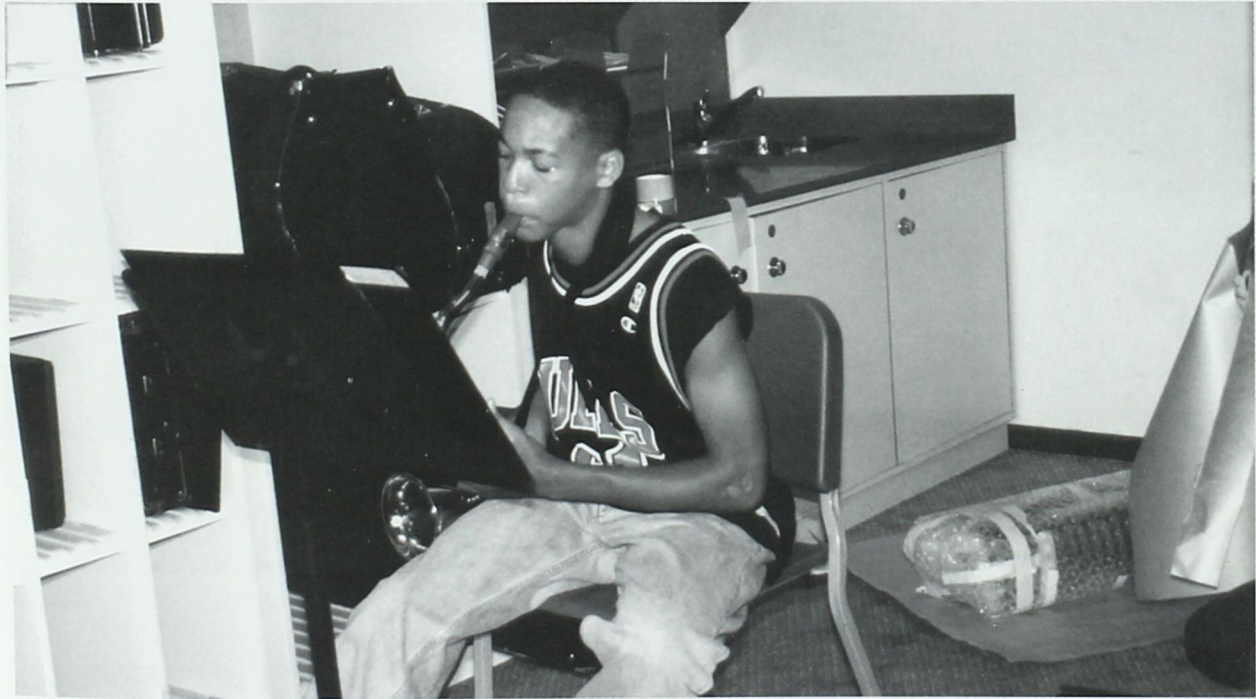
The talented people of *The Musical World*

When you walked by the music room you've probably heard the band playing a tune or the choir singing a joyful song. That was only one fraction of what they have done. Their first mission was to go to Kaiserslautern, Germany, from October 31st to November 3rd of 1996. The event was an exchange concert in which the people from K-town later came to Aviano on April 18th and 19th, 1997. Their next concert was the Christmas one on December 5th, 1996. They respectfully brought in the spirit of Christmas singing songs of the season. Selected students participated in the Dodds-Europe Honors Music Festival on March 8th-14th, '97. And on May 22, '97 they held the Spring Concert in the Cordenons Hall.



Concert Chorus—Top Row: Fred Grant, Kate Harman, Jed Davis, April Scott, James Wise, Jovan Quarles, LaToya Sewell-Hall. Bottom Row: Carolyn Milholen, Crystal Aviles, Devon Carlisle, Shawn Saracen. Not Shown: Anya Clay, Sylvia Vassell

Is this a band class? Or is it a study hall
and a daydream period?



Ross Dalton busily practicing on his
saxophone.

THE AVIANO



TIMES

The Yearbook Edition

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Aviano American High School, Italy

This year has been successful for the Aviano Times newspaper staff. Putting out a paper every month isn't easy, but not many things could stop this hard working staff from completing their task.

With Ms. Hottinger helping, the Journalism students they became good Journalists. They learned the rules of the paper and

how to write a good news story. She also made sure that the stories were perfect and that the layout looked good so that the paper was a huge success. There was even comments that they should take over the Vigileer.

Along with putting out the paper, the Journalism students got to meet with Ms. Cohen. The students

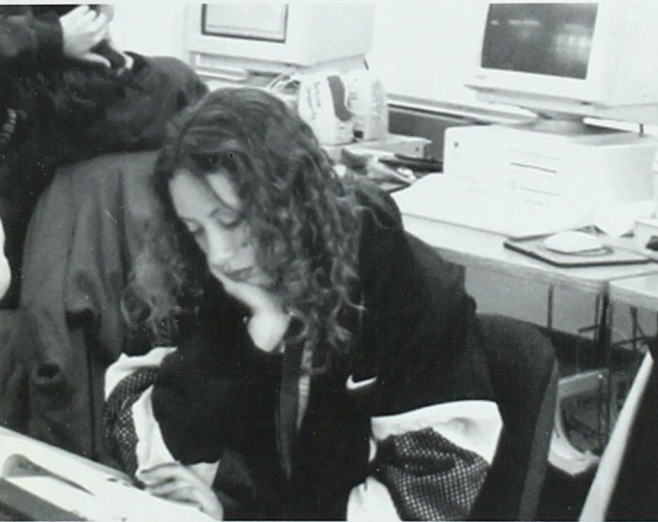
were excused from class to interview her. The Aviano Times also got a page in the Stars and Stripes.

The Aviano Times staff have been looking for news and better ways to inform the people of what is going on in this school. Sometimes even a round the world.



Aviano Times Editors:

Back row: Jeff Snider, Natalie Dabbs, Nich Behr, Tara Garrett, Lindy O'Donnell, Angela Sposito, Maggie Pincus, and Dogan Roppoli

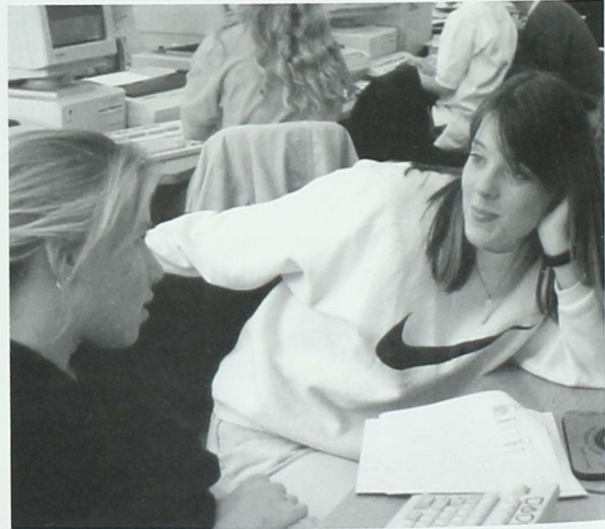


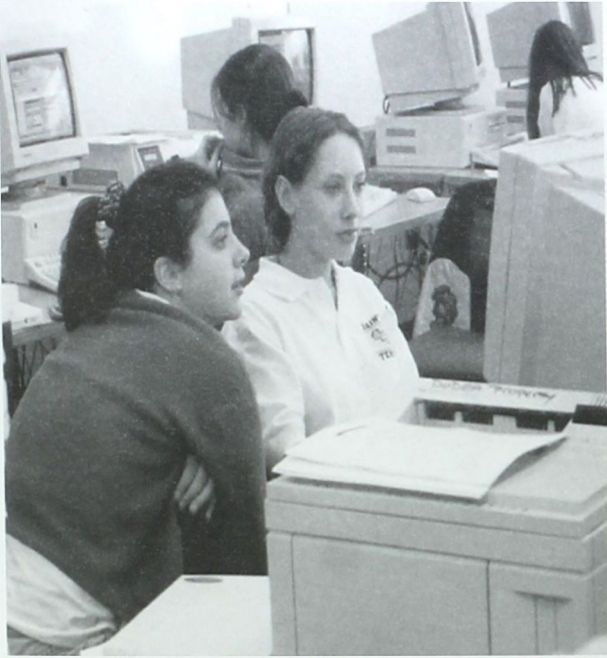
Lesley stares over an issue of the Aviano Times. "Did you find anything wrong?"

Meghan McCormick and Mitsuko Brooks work on writing their story. Don't think too hard.



Teresa Buzzard is listening to Erin Hancock's story idea. It must be very interesting.





Maggie Pincus and Lesley Kirchmeier are busy working on a layout for the next issue of the Aviano Times.

Lindy O'Donnell shows Ms. Cohen her zine and also an issue of the Aviano Times.

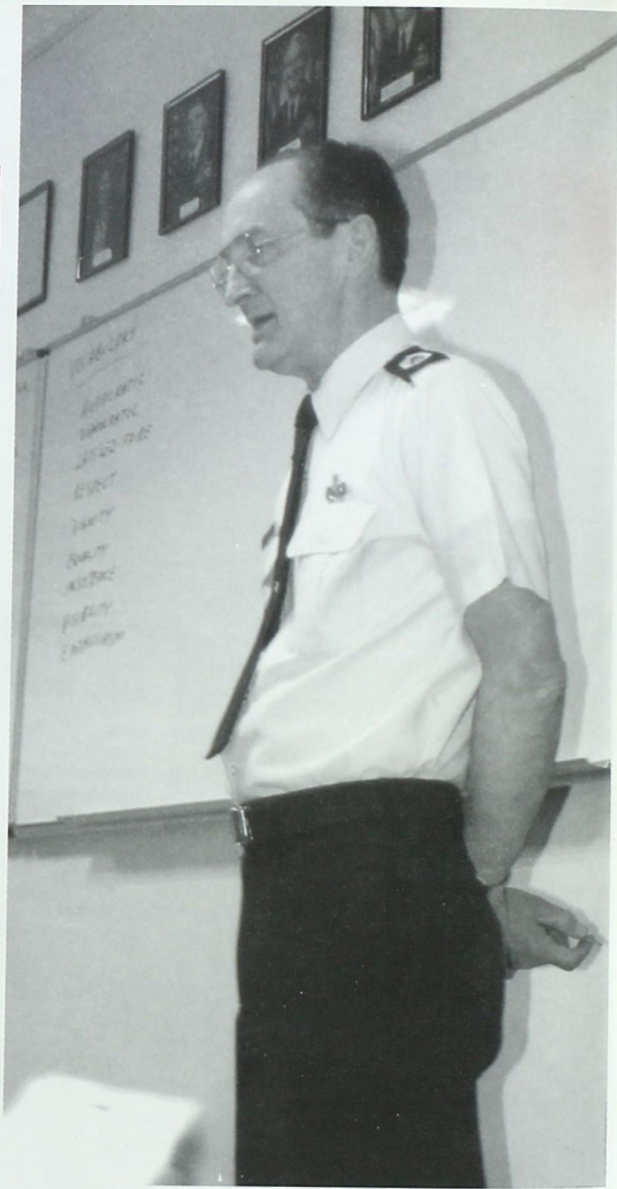


Lisa Seward finally gets to ask Ms. Cohen a question that she had been dying to ask.

Ms. Hottinger and Lindy O'Donnell go over layout design. Ms. Hottinger seems to like that graphic. "Will Lindy approve?"

The colorguard competes in Brussels and performs with excellence.

Chief Slater (aka Mr. Burns) is the master mind behind our smooth drill team.



The colorguard performs at graduation.



The color guard performs at the championship football game.



Color Guard and Drill Team, #1 in Italy



Cadets Melissa May, Curtis Lane, and Matt Hawthorne stand at attention at the All-Europe drill competition.



The color guard performs at the change of command ceremony.



The color guard performs at the pep rally.

Commander Bob Johnson escorts Ms. Cohen as the Saber team welcomes her to the teen center.

Abby Hansen, Dede Drake, and practice the student directed ensemble for the Speech and Drama Festival.



Sarah Patterson won 2nd place at the Speech and Drama festival for her prose interpretation.

Shawna Myers performing her poetic interpretation which won her a 3rd place at the Speech and Drama festival



Speech And Drama Perform Successfully

Speech & Drama

The team members did an outstanding job at the All-Italy Speech and Drama Festival in Sigonella during the week of 3-7 March 1997. Fifteen students advanced to final rounds, there were a total of forty-five finalists, and thus one third were Aviano students. Our participants also won eight of twenty-one medals awarded (38%).

"Kevin Dwight became the first student ever to win a second debate title in Italy."

Ms. Hillestad

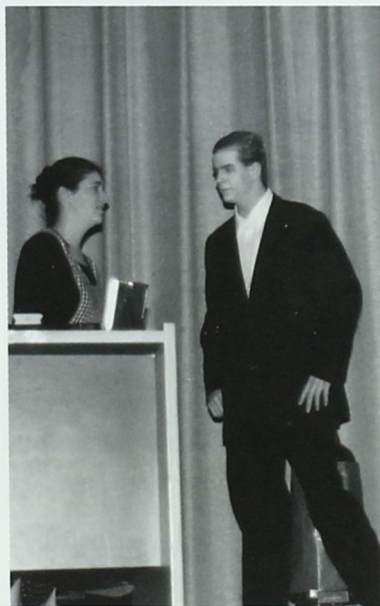
School scores are no longer tabulated and rewarded. However, if school by school results were kept, the rankings would be as follows: Aviano 195, Vicenza 175, Naples 75, Sigonella 60, and Livorno 5. It should be noted that Kevin Dwight became the first student ever to win a second debate title at the All Italy Speech and drama Festival.



Abby Hansen practicing her prose interpretation for the Speech and Drama Festival.



Maggie Pincus and Gregory Engbrecht practice a Lincoln-Douglas debate in preparation for the Speech and Drama Festival.



Maggie Pincus and Nich Behr perform in the student directed ensemble for the Speech and Drama festival.

Dogan Roppoli and Kevin Dwight are one of 4 duet acts that went to the Speech and Drama Festival.

REMEMBERANCE

Carolyn Milholen checks one last time to make sure her layout is perfect.



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**Much thanks to all the staff writers;
without their help this book would not
be possible!!**



Paul Gosselin makes sure that the Wrestling page comes out on top.

Deltresa Smith, Don Hewitt, and Justin May work endlessly to get the Senior pages finished before their deadline.





Tommy Wilson spends his Saturday, showing his dedication as part of the Yearbook staff.

It's okay, Melissa. There's no need to stress over the Yearbook.



Heather, don't you think that finishing the already over-do layouts is more important than cc-mail?

Robby Gabrielli takes his time to not only finish the Boys' Basketball layout but the Girls' as well.



JUNIOR HIGH INTRAMURALS

Alex Corchado, George Williams, and Mike Colon ready for the start of the intramural season.

A group of 7th and 8th graders participating in the first round of intramurals.



Daniel Conklin with a fast break as Gabe Moreno and Matt Nielsen chase him down.

Gabe Moreno tries to steal the ball from opponent Noel Regis.

Aaron Daugherty shooting a free throw during the inaugural intramural basketball game.



Mitsuko Brooks demonstrating her climbing skills



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There's nothing like a group picnic out in the wide open spaces.



Shane Digeorge sliding...over rocks?

Oh for a wonderful stroll...group style.

Ken Brann, left, and Michelle Warren, right, show a Naples participant how it's really done.



COMPUTER CLUB



"What's wrong with this stupid thing? Exclaims Charles Marg"

"Jason and his Italian friend look overwhelmed with the work it takes to create a Web page."



"Wow, do I have to read all this? Thinks John."



"Landon Willis is happy to see that he is smarter than the computer!"

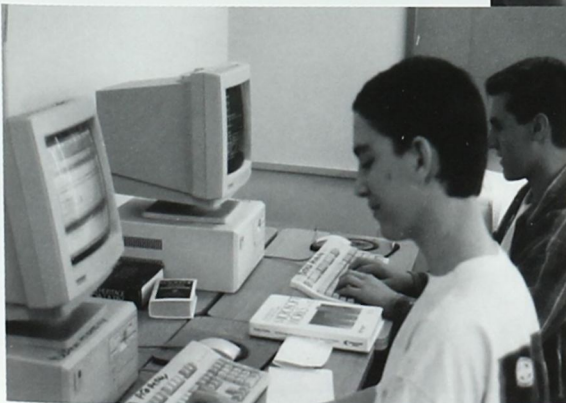
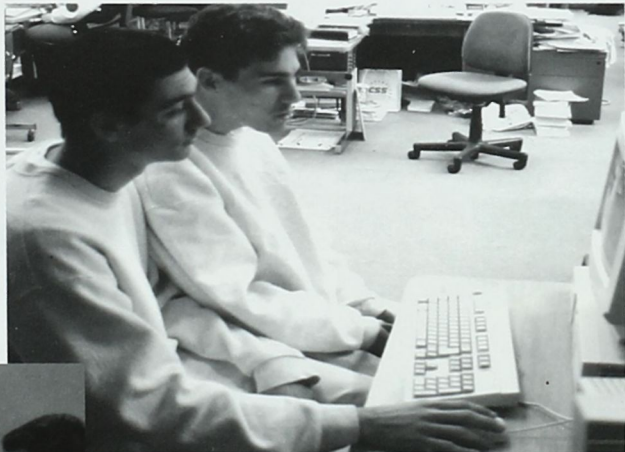


"Tommy is deep in thought
with his computer."



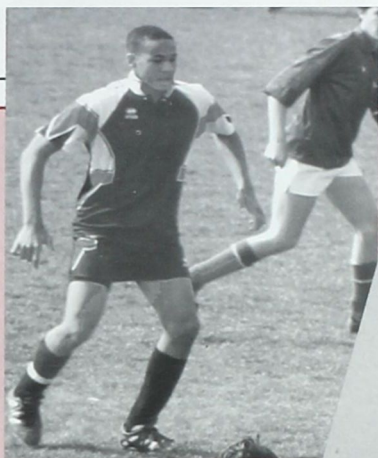
"Whoops, what have I done
now? Marcus wonders."

"I can't believe we're not
done yet, I'm sooo tired
think Mike and Dogan."



"Ha, I told you I'd
figure it out Martin,
smirks James!"

Sophomore Ross Dalton goes for the goal.



Aviano Saints celebrate their victory.

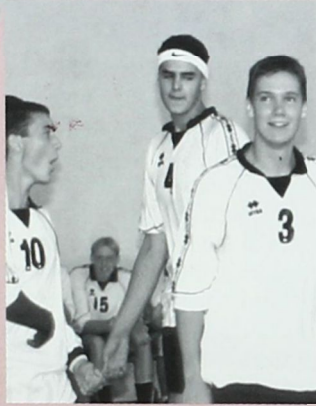


Junior Angela Sposito waits to set the ball.

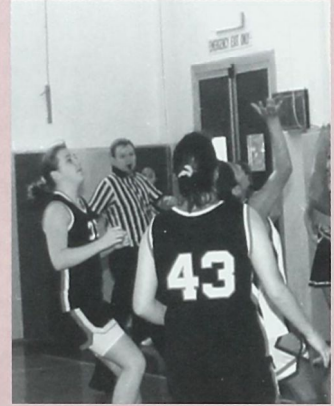




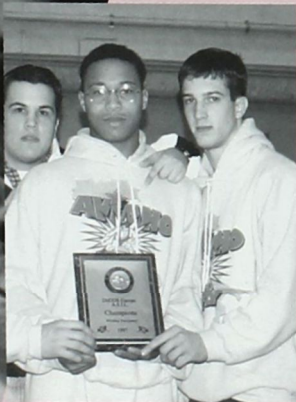
The Aviano Saints Men's Volleyball team expresses many different emotions following one of their many victories.



Aviano's Lady Saints capture the ball and the first place title.



Sports Divider



Seniors Bobby Johnson and Justin May display the wrestling team's winning plaque.

*Football players work as a
team to become*

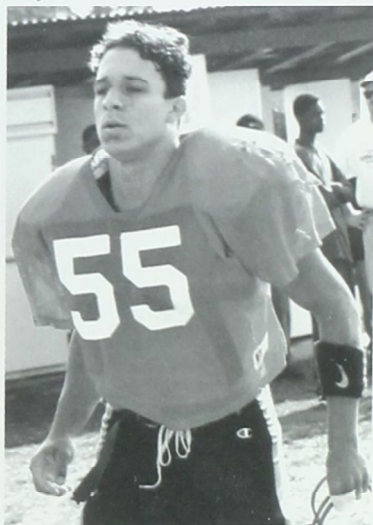
Division II South Champions

The 1996 Aviano High School football team's success can be described by three things, hard-work, unity, and Coach Mac. They were moved up a division to Division II at the end of last year to help make the number of teams in the league even. Nobody ever considered them a threat to win the division. Not even themselves. At the beginning of the season the Saints looked nothing like

an Aviano caliber football team. However, the mighty Saints never lost hope and worked even harder to prove the critics wrong! Led by an outstanding group of "veterans," the team pulled together to win the Division II south crown and breeze to a 6-0 regular season record. Then they faced a physical Lakenheath blue team in the playoff game here at Aviano. The "physical" team proved to be no match for the Saints as they moved into the championship game against the SHAPE Spartans. SHAPE also had a reputation as a tough team.

But, the Saints are no softies and gave the Spartans a run for their money. Although the Saints fell 16-14 they had a marvelous season, finishing with a 7-1 record. In the end four Saints were named to the All Europe squad. Cory Derrick, Chris Roberson, Jody Wolsey, and Pierre Anderson were the ones chosen from the always great Saints.

"Are we almost done yet?" Wonders Victor Benjamin.



You have nothing to worry about Matt, your line will protect you.



"Was that a fly that I felt?" asks Cory Derrick.

OUR FIRST TIME

The Mighty Saints

The scores are in

AHS		OPP
38	Naples	21
14	Vilseck	7
14	Patch	12
36	Hanau	6
40	Mannheim	6
34	Naples	0
22	Lakenheath	16
14	SHAPE	16



Head coach McNeely was back!!



Asst. Coach O'Donnell took another shot with us in capturing another championship



"You can't touch me!!" explains Chris Robinson.



"We have one more game. Yeah!!"



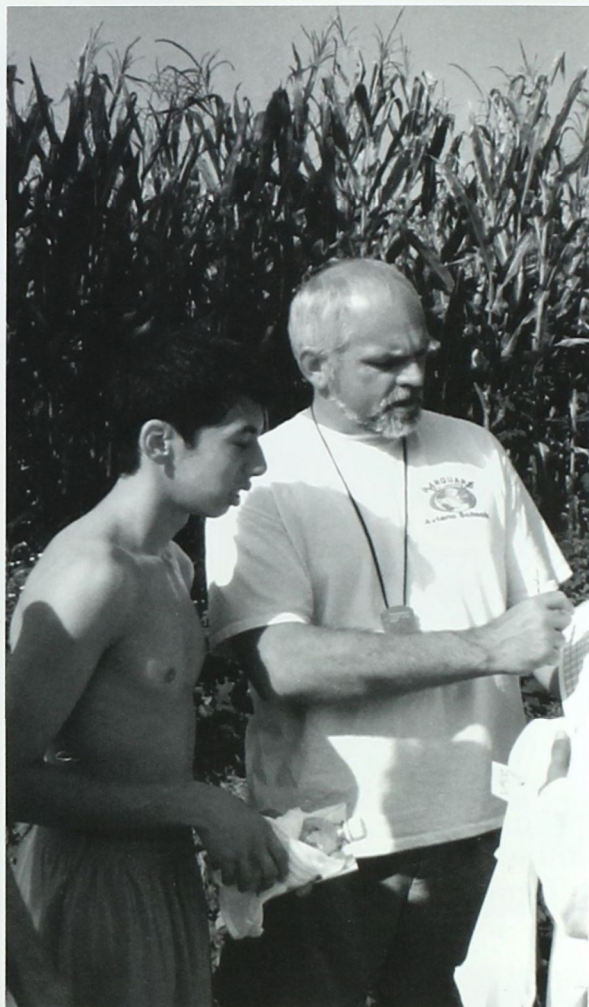
"You can't get through us!!!"

O.G. Clement shows muffin man Ken Brann the final score. Ken is estatic about their awesome victory.

Heather Uris, don't stop now you're almost there!!



Trevor Kirchmeier leaves Marymount in the dust as usual at another home meet.



Varsity Cross-Country ASIL Scores

Girls

Aviano	57
Marymount	39
Signonella	71
Vicenza	43

Boys

Aviano	57
Marymount	63
Vicenza	97
ASOR	147
Naples	75
Milano	65



Back Row: Jeff Eldridge, Ben Fisher, Ed Borromeo, Charles Marg, Don Hewitt, Trevor Kirchmeier, Ken Brann

Front Row: Kathrine Guess, Michelle Warren, Lorena Ortega, Heather Uris, Kim Bratten, Lesley Kirchmeier, Kristine Clement Manager: Tate Macintosh



Charles Marg flying over the finish line, he better grab that wig before it falls off.



Come on Ed Borromeo forget about the orange juice and show us what you have.

Don Hewitt pushing to the top.



Kristin Clement giving it her all. Should we mention to her that Rome has no chance of catching up?

EXTREME

Family is what we are, bound together not by blood, but by a common goal and the memories we have shared. That common goal is "Extreme". "We all pushed our minds and bodies to the extremes this year and for the most part came out on top" said Kimberly Bratten, sophomore.

Our men prevailed getting first, for the first time in five years. They went through the season undefeated. They still expected the worst but, hoped for the best. Last year the only team to beat our Lady Saints was the Wildcats from Naples. This year they did not have the pleasure of beating us one single time. At regionals they came out with a third place victory, running over five teams to get there.

I think everyone on the team would agree that the person they have to thank the most for a victorious season is "O.G. Clement". He showed them not only how to run as individuals but more importantly how to run as a team.

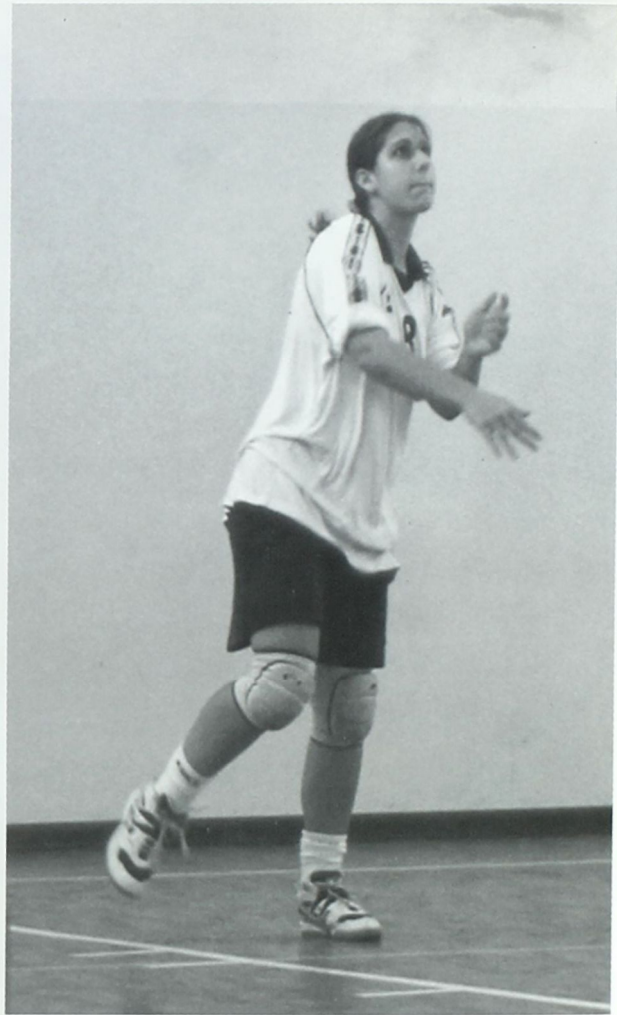
Junior Angela Sposito watches the ball after serving it.

The Lady Saints can't be stopped

The 1996 women's volleyball season started off with a lot of difficulties. This year there was always the problem of where to practice and how to get there. Because the school gym was not finished yet, the Saints could be seen running, bags and all, up to the base gym, around the tennis courts, or even around where the plane used to be in front of the elementary school.

The Lady Saints were coached by Mr. Hillestad for the second time. The Saints were ready to defend their championship this year. However, even though the Ladies fought to the finish, they placed second in the A.S.I.L Championship, still making Aviano proud.

The Aviano Saints get in their ready positions during the Regional Tournament at the Municipal gym.



"Through all of high school, this volleyball season was my favorite."
- Senior Maggie Pincus, Co-Captain

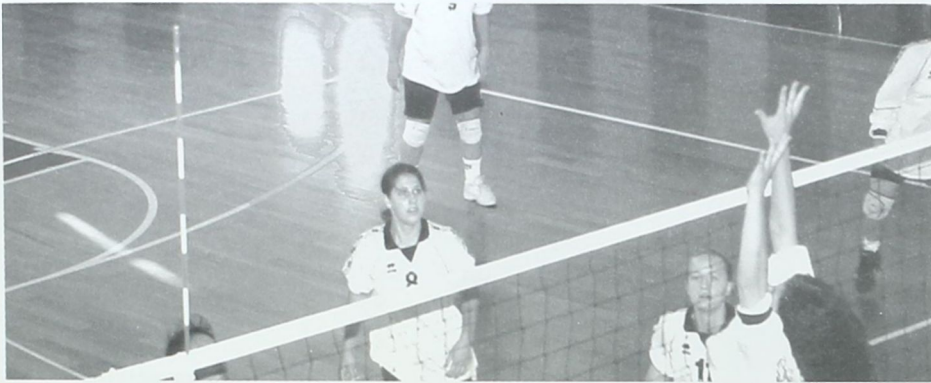


VARSITY VOLLEYBALL: Top Tracy James, Vivian Wagner, Angela Sposito, Melissa Thompson, Rachel Valencia, Meghan McCormick, Heather Fasciocco, Coach Hillestad, Tara Garrett, Deborah Wright, Abby Hansen, Jill Wieland, Maggie Pincus.

The 1996 Volleyball Record

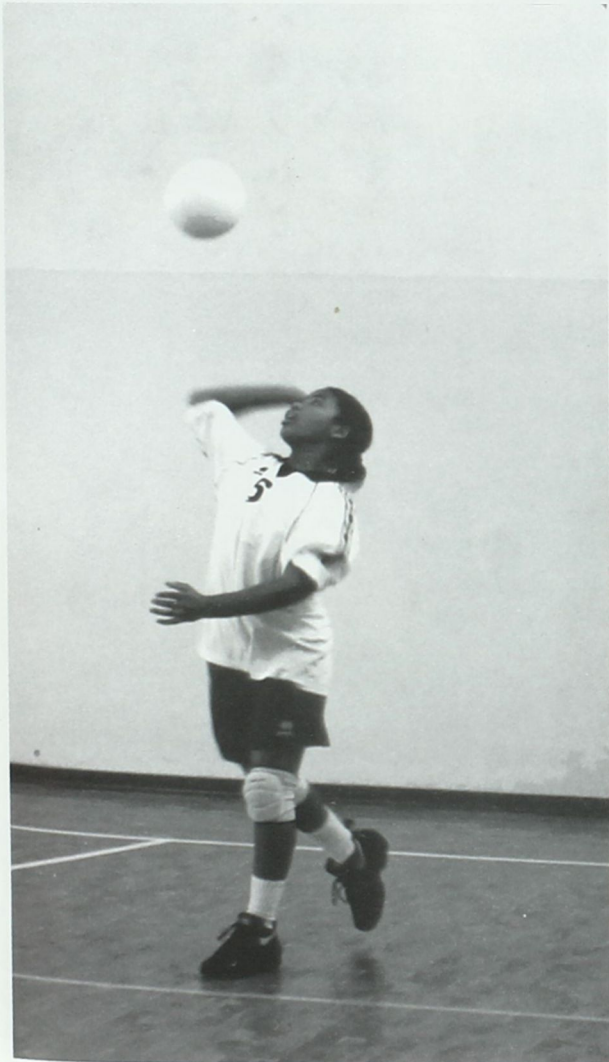
1. AOSR	10-1
2. AVIANO	9-2
3. NAPLES	7-3
4. VICENZA	7-4
5. SIGONELLA	3-8
6. MARYMOUNT	3-8
7. MILAN	3-8
8. LIVORNO	1-10

Who are We? Saints!



The Saints watch the ball after they get it over the net.

Maggie Pincus and Angela Sposito concentrate on how they are going to switch when the ball is served over.



Melissa Thompson another ball over during the Regional game.

Meghan McCormick, Abby Hansen, and Vivian Wagner get ready to put the ball back over the net.

The Saints take a water break and get a few inspirational words from captain Danny Orozco. Hey, Dave! the huddle is the other way.

The Aviano Saints dominate the competition and take the ASIL crown. "We are the champions!"



Saints excel

By Mike Russell and Danny Orozco

After a devastating loss last season in the semi-finals, the Saints were determined not to let it happen again and with the loss

of an Aviano graduation, had some big All-Stars Dwight and had the experience on the floor and

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teachers as our captain Danny Orozco was our spiritual leader. The great coaching by Papa Lou motivated the Holy Boys to believe in themselves and that they did. Ending the regular season undefeated, the Saints were not going to stop there. They continued through the tournament denying anyone the pleasure of defeating them. Once again the Saints dominated and took what was rightfully theirs. The ASIL crown.

great due to the team shoes to fill. Kevin Luigi Lucidi became our

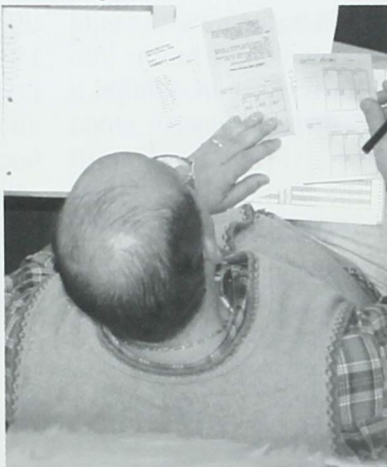


Big Mike powers down a great spike.

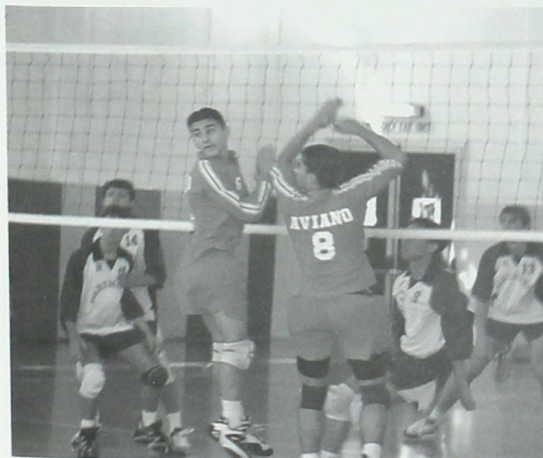
"Big Phin" and his teammates snuff a spiker from our volleyball rival Marymount. "Get that outta here!"



Papa Lou! The master head behind all of our strategies.



The Saints celebrate after their championship victory. "Come-ride that train!" Who is the conductor? Is that Luigi?



Dogan Roppoli and Corey Sutter look for applause after they show their magnificent ballet skills.



1996-97 AVIANO SAINTS MEN'S VOLLEYBALL TEAM
Front Row: David Fullmer, Luigi Lucidi, Jed Davis, Danny Orozco, Landon Willis, Greg Goodwin, Kevin Dwight, Papa Lou Lucidi
Back Row: Chris Green, Tommy Wilson, Jason Ghusson, Nich Behr, Mike Russell, Mike Phinney, Corey Sutter, Kevin Berryhill, James Wise.

SAINT SPIRIT

It all began with 1996's football cheerleading squad tryouts held in late Spring of the last school year, but as the new school year rolled around, we didn't have a coach. We

looked endlessly to try and find someone who would be dedicated for the job. Karen Pozniak-Robins, a sixth grade teacher, stood up. From then, until the end of the Basketball season, we worked hard

to change the reputation of Aviano Cheerleaders. Posters were hung up every game for school spirit and new uniforms were bought after endless ours of baking and writing letters for donations. In the

end, Aviano Cheerleaders took second place in the dance competition and traveled with Boys Basketball to support them in their European Championships.

Aviano Saints Cheerleaders show off their kickline during a Home Basketball game.



Kristle, Emily and Melissa let you know that if you ain't a Saint then you "gots to go".



Ashley, April, Carrie and Heather show their Aviano Spirit.



Basketball Season:
April Lawson, Ashley Mayben, Carrie Chance, Kristle Johnson, Melissa May, Nasha Simmons, Emily Walsh, Heather Fasciocco, Erin Hancock

What do we want?...TD What's that?...Touchdown



Stunts greatly captured the attention of the audience.



Football Season:

Cyndi Cundiff, Cryss Runge, Shawna Myers, Melissa May, Erin Hancock, Carrie Chance, Nasha Simmons



Cheerleaders shake hands with football players and other cheerleaders to upgrade good sportsmanship.

Heather takes it to the rack against Milan.

Team reaches top

When the season started the 96-97 Women's basketball team was really lacking in the "big man" department.

They cruised on to four straight victories in the ASIL tournament to claim their third championship in four years. It was up to Mannheim where the fourth

seeded Saints showed that they could play with anyone. They won against Vilseck and Rota, but lost by a total of five points against both Wurzburg and Bad Kreuznach, for their only losses of a marvelous season. In the end, they were the seventh best team in Europe, first best team in Italy, and one of the best teams to play at Aviano.

"We came together as a team and had the best season Aviano ever had"

Angela Sposito and
Melissa Thompson

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Deborah keeps everyone guessing with her free-throw.



WOMEN'S VARSITY BASKETBALL —*Front Row:* Heather Uris, Leslie Kirchmeier, Vivian Wagner*, Angela Sposito*, Lorena Ortega, Michelle Warren-Back Row- Coach Drake, Katherine Guess, Maggie Pincus, Deborah Wright, Abby Hansen, Melissa Thompson, Dede Drake, Megan McKormick, Coach Joe Curl. *Captains Not shown-Rachel Harman

Season Honors

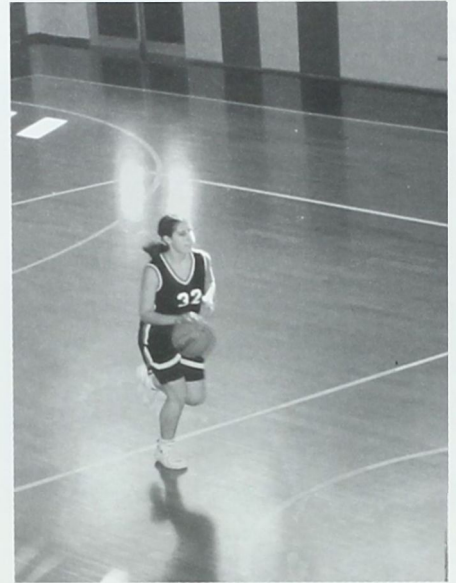
All Conference-All Tournament

Vivian Wagner

Angela Sposito

Melissa Thompson (MVP of ASIL Tournament)

Co-captain Angela Sposito sparks the offense with her smooth handles and great leadership abilities.



Freshman Dede Drake shows why she was a main contributor for this years ASIL champions.



Maggie puts the ball up and everyone else wonders where it went.

Maggie shows her mad dribbling skills as she makes sure she doesn't get ripped.

Right: Cory drives to the lane while Demone and Mike pose for the picture.



Bottom: Kevin Dwight taps board for two against Milan here at Aviano.



Above: Big Ed hits a rare lefty lay-up as everyone in the stands and on the court waits for the rebound that never came.



Far right: Hey Cory, we all know that you have more hops than that, why didn't you throw it down so the crowd would have something to cheer about in this game against Rome.



Above: Our fearless leader, Demone, goes up for two against Milan.



Fred shows off one of his variety of moves, the running jumper in the lane.

Dribbling onto...victory

Saints nab fifth straight ASIL Championship

The 1997 men's basketball team was praised as one of the best to walk the halls of Aviano High School. Led by senior Demone Copeland, and juniors Cory Derrick and Fred Carson (who were ASIL All-Conference, and All-Tournament) the Saints ran through the regular season with a 13-0 record. Then, they destroyed all opposition in the ASIL tournament, winning all four games by an average of 34 points. One week later these

outrageously smooth hoopsters were on their way to Mannheim for the European Championships. Although seeded second, the "almighty ones" lost their first game to eventual champ Ramstein. They quickly bounced back by winning their next 3 games by an average of 23 points a game. In the mean time they regained some personal pride, and won the fifth place plaque along the way, ending with a European best 22-1 record. Also, they showed that Aviano is a school to be reckoned with!



VARSITY BASKETBALL: Left to right: Coach Mac, Robby Gabrielli, Demone Copeland, Ross Dalton, Kevin Berryhill, Mike Phinney, Mike Russell, Cory Derrick, Fred Carson, Ed Borromeo, Kevin Dwight, Coach Harrison

VARSITY BASKETBALL

	AHS Opp.	
AOSR	50	9
	58	17
Livorno	Forfeit	
Marymount	56	35
	56	28
Milan	62	21
	77	39
	58	18
Naples	56	53
	63	50
	90	63
Sigonella	48	8
Vicenza	53	48
	62	22
	75	51
	77	41

ASIL Record: 17-0



Ross Dalton thinks he has mad handles as he finds great ease going to the basket against Milan.

Wrestling Our Way



First row: Bobby Johnson*, Justin May*, Victor Benjamin, Dogan Roppoli*, Second row: Tim Starr, Branden Marshall, Martin Keane, Pierre Anderson, Alex Pincus, Jody Wolsey, Paul Gosselin. Third row: Sean Deering, Justin Richter, Dave Mitchell, Mike Guastafarro, Ben Fisher, Curtis Lane, Nick Robinson, James Wise, Jason Ghusson, Lamont Hughes, Nich Behr, Matt Guastafarro. * = Captian

The following wrestlers had the opportunity to travel to Germany for the European Championship: Justin May, Martin Keane, Dogan Roppoli, Bobby Johnson, Victor Benjamin, Paul Gosselin, Matt Guastafarro, Pierre Anderson, Jody Wolsey, Branden Marshall, Alex Pincus, Ben Fisher, Jason Ghusson, Mike Guastafarro, and James Wise.

Untouchable

Saints

Dave Mitchell	3rd
James Wise	2nd
Justin Richter	3rd
Tim Starr	4th
Dogan Roppoli	1st
Mike Guastafarro	2nd
Lamont Hughes	3rd
Matt Guastafarro	1st
Nich Behr	3rd
Curtis Lane	4th
Nick Robinson	5th
Paul Gosselin	1st
Ben Fisher	2nd
Justin May	1st
Branden Marshall	2nd
Victor Benjamin	1st
Jason Ghusson	2nd
Bobby Johnson	1st
Alex Pincus	3rd
Jody Wolsey	2nd
Pierre Anderson	1st
Martin Keane	2nd



"If you hold on a minute this will soon be all over for you!" explains Mike Guastafarro.

"I hope you do not mind if I sit here for a minute," asks James Wise

"Come on, if you lay down on your back, I can fall asleep!" whispers Alex Pincus.



To The Top



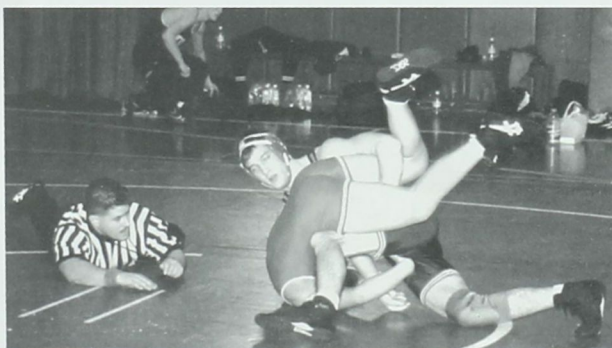
This season there was a new

edition-more competition.

Besides Italy's five teams (Vicenza, Sigonella, Naples, Rome and Aviano) wrestlers came down from Germany for a meet at Aviano. The Saints continued their domination of ASIL as they once again took first place at Regionals.

The wrestlers also traveled to Germany to compete in Europeans. There they were met by more competition including Belgium, Turkey, and Iceland. This marked the end of a proud season.

"All I want is your wrist! Come on just give it to me!" says Matt Guastaferrò



"Here is a hug for your suffering," growls Bobby Johnson.

Justin May, you need to save some of your energy for Europeans.



"Relax, I am almost done with you," says Dogan Roppoli.

The Aviano Saints Track Team

This year the track team was made up of a new group of people. Unlike past years many of the members had little or no experience, making team work a must. With only three meets including Regionals before the A.S.I.L Championships, the team worked extra hard to have a successful season. All in all with team spirit the Saints flew high!





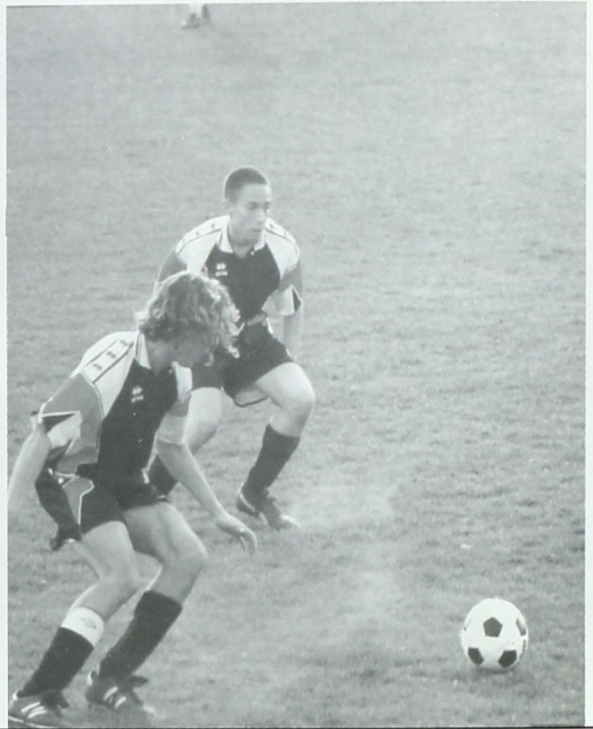
Ed Camacho looks on as Trevor clears the ball out.

The Mighty Saints

Ready To Roll

When the season started the Saints had higher expectations than last year's second place finish. With an abundance of returning players, including future olympian, Luigi Lucidi, the Saints felt they were the team to beat. They showed they were a force to be reckoned with in the first weekend

of the season by defeating defending champ Milan 5-1. They went on to "mercy" Sigonella in their next two games. With four games under their belt and only one loss out of them, the Saints feel they have the upper hand on being the first team to represent Italy at the European Championships in May.

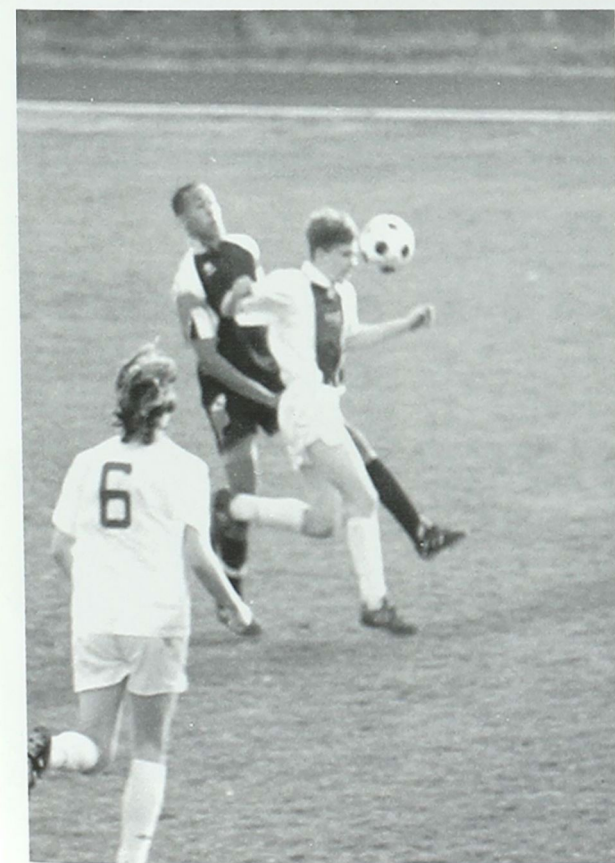


VARSITY SOCCER: Top Row: Coach Lucidi, Matt Eberhart, Marlon Scott, Shane DiGeorge, Greg Goodwin, Jarod DiGeorge, Julius Hall, Nich Behr, Drew McClean, Kevin Dwight, Trevor Kirchmeier, Nick Robinson, Justin Richter, Tony Stevens, Ed Camacho, Bottom Row: Mike Guastafarro, Ross Dalton, Luigi Lucidi, Don Hewitt, Bilge Coskun, Branden Marshall, Dogan Roppoli, Onur Coskun



Kevin shows three Milan players how it is done!

"No you take it!" says Mike Guastafarro and Nich Behr.



Hey Ross, stick to offense!

Ross Dalton attempts to score against Milan during the first weekend of the season.



Kevin Dwight gets ready to clear the ball on one of the few occasions Milan got the ball down near our goal.

H

istory making soccer

The 1996-97 school year brought women's soccer here to Aviano high school, and the rest of the schools in the ASIL. This meant, for the first time ever, women would be playing for their own team, rather than their guy's team. After finally getting soccer here, the women didn't waste any time in defeating their first opponent (Sigonella) and started the season off on a strong note. Although there won't be a tournament for the women this year, the Saints' will prove that Aviano is a force to reckon with in future years.



The Saints celebrate after their first ever victory.



Vivian Wagner shows off her mad kicking skills.

Melissa Thompson gets ready
to kick the corner kick.



1997 WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM: Tracy James, Hillary Marcum, Kristin Clement, Katy Harman, Abby Hansen, Ellie Ditch, Jill Weiland, Natalie Teske, Rachel Harman, Leslie Kirchmeier, Maria Sikoryak-Robbins, Heather Uris, Carrie Chance, Vivian Wagner, Melissa Thompson, Karina Green, Angela Sposito, Rachel Valencia, Kate Henderson, Meghan McCormick, Emily Walsh



Leslie and Natalie begin their conquest
up-field.



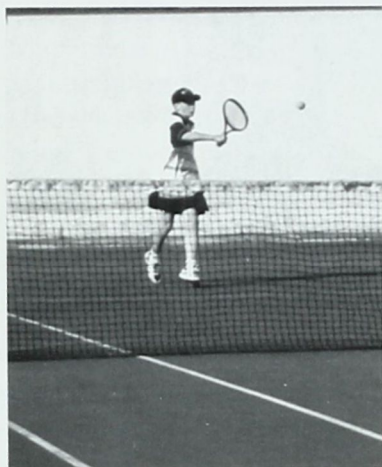
The rest of the Saints give Melissa mad
props after her goal.



Angela Sposito clears the ball after a great
save.

Lorena Ortega and Jennifer Newton get ready to attack.

Tate MacIntosh hits the backhand on the run against Vicenza.



Jesse Doyle shows his great forearm mechanics as Juan Carlos Perin looks on.

Robby Gabrielli gets ready to serve one up against Vicenza.



Deborah Wright is ready to serve the ball to some unlucky person across the net.

Tennis Team Works Toward Capturing another Title



When neither could most of the Tennis players. So, that's a championship and nothing less. With some fly new uniforms and this new attitude, the team looks to be headed in the right direction in heading towards their goal.

was the last time the Aviano Tennis team won a championship? You can't answer that can you? Well at the start of the season, neither could most of the Tennis players. So, with a new TEAM attitude brought to them and some new talent coming out for the sport, the team has hustled in order to gain one goal, and



Varsity Tennis: Back Row, Coach Fix, Deborah Wright, Robby Gabrielli, Chuck Marg, Jennifer Newton, Juan Carlos Perin, Bottom Row, Tate MacIntosh, Heather Fasciocco, Stacy Duvall, Lorena Ortega, Jesse Doyle. Not Pictured: Melissa May, Peter Mortimer and Terry Sneed

CLOSING COMMENTS...



Changes in class schedules and overpopulation caused AHS students to seize their day just a little differently. Block scheduling allowed for A, B and C schedule school days and classes off "school campus" added for a little bit of a hike. The AFJROTC program was also put in a tent while the Asbestos was being checked in the ROTC building.

Only Juniors and Seniors were allowed to leave the new school cafeteria. This was a privilege that would be taken away with any discipline problems. Aafes offered to sell the hot lunches and were placed in the same building as the new Teen Center. The building

was given to us over the summer and the base worked hard to paint, set up disco lights and decorate it with sports paraphernalia.

Our gym was taken from us and even though it was to be renovated by the beginning of the 1996-97 school year, it wasn't completely finished until April of 1997. The base gym, therefore, was taken over by high school students for volleyball and basketball practices and games. The Italian gym in Aviano was used to accommodate all of the schools for Basketball Regionals.

Because of the "Aviano 2000" construction, the front gate

was closed and caused a back-up of school buses in the morning. The bell rang at 8:00 a.m., but class never really started until around 8:20. Massive late bus passes were produced and eventually we got our "old" gate back.

Both the theater and the Bowling Alley were under construction at the beginning of the school year, but, have been renovated and are now better than ever. The Bella Vista theater has new seats and an advanced sound system and the bowling alley has cosmic bowling with neon balls and pins. All of the upgrades around our base have given Aviano a new look.



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