



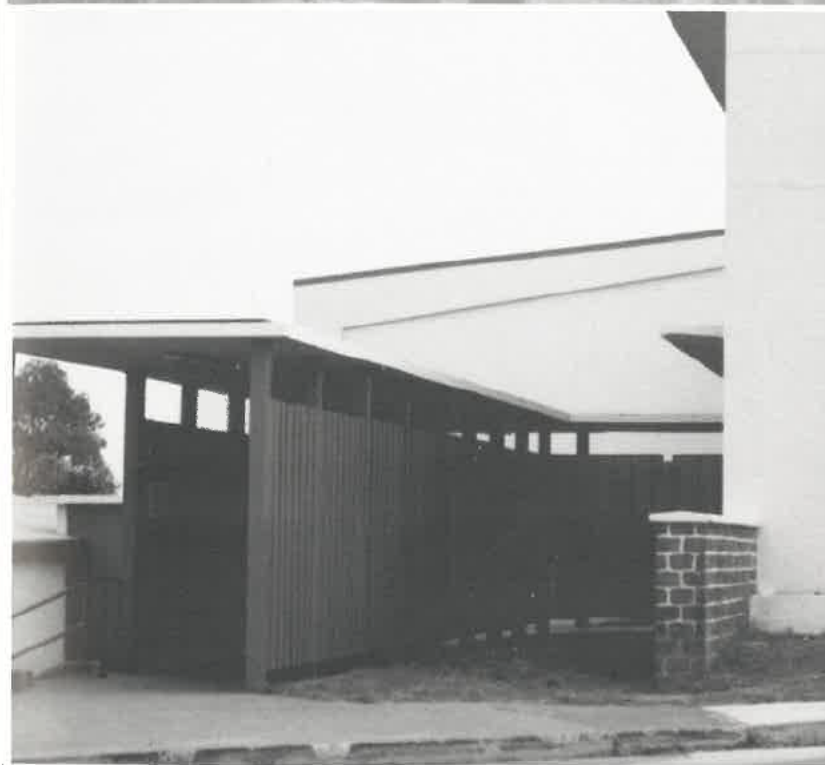
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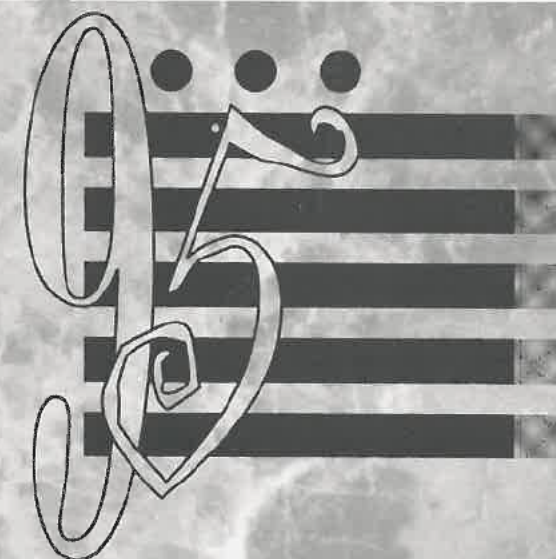


Lajes High School

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Although the high school received a new face lift this year, the spirit of Lajes High School remained unchanged.



LHS: "WHERE EVERYONE KNOWS YOUR NAME...AND THEY'RE GLAD YOU CAME"

High School. The most memorable, most impressionable, and unfortunately, the most vulnerable duration one experiences in a lifetime. The mass amount of knowledge absorbed on and off campus was knowledge that endured. Perhaps that explained why Lajes was such a healthy environment to acquire an education.

In addition to possessing an immense sense of freedom, Falcons had the opportunity to be a part of close-knit relationships with teachers, peers, and a culture that offered an education in itself. The plush, green landscape and the blue that surrounded it was

the suitable setting for nostalgia's production, and unique, if not "selected", in habitants formed the perfect cast.

The virtual nonexistence of crime offered a cushiony protection as well as a shield from the horrors and violence of a nearby nation. The Lajes atmosphere was, therefore, quite ideal and enabled the curious, naive, and ambitious adolescent to be both aware and secure.

Welcoming newcomers, bidding farewell, and cherishing the memories and formed bonds was a daily ritual for the diminutive

community of Lajes. "Sometimes you want to go where everybody knows your name and they're always glad you came." It seemed virtually visionary to actually dwell in such a land.

As a child, in form or spirit, one sympathizes. "Making your way in the world today takes everything you've got. Taking a break from all your worries sure would help alot. Wouldn't you like to get away?" And at Lajes, an invitation was extended to all who would seek such a refuge. Relax. Peruse. Indulge. Cheers!-Lisa Barker, Class of 1995



Above: The Falcon Football Team celebrates a victory against OSS. Right: The junior high posse hangs out on the steps.



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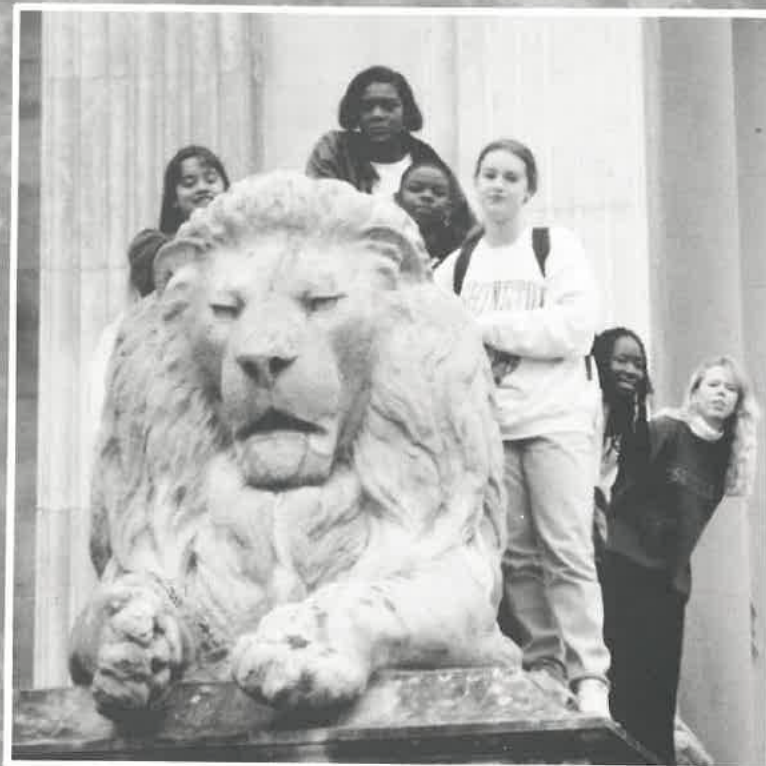
Top Left: Wild and crazy, Scott Arnold has no problem letting loose at the Homecoming Dance. Above: Masks created by drama students reveal each unique personality. Left: Everyone gets in on the fun during "Pajama and Boxer Day".





live for the moment

Below: Nicole Fernandez and Lisa Barker discuss pictures in Spanish with Mrs. Gonzalez for AP Spanish. Bottom Left: During lunch period, Jennifer Paterson and Kimiko Atkins do some last minute studying. Bottom Right: The junior high basketball team comes together for a post-season picture.



Top Left: Sister Gwen Amy demonstrates the skills and methods of gospel singing to chorus students. Top Center: Never holding back, Allyson Lohr and Gillian Caron attack Spirit Week with all they've got. Left: Only one of the many injuries during the football season, Roger Baldwin suffers a season-ending knee injury. Above: Finding time to tour during their volleyball tournament in England, the team poses at The Fitzwilliam Museum in London.



THE CLASS OF 1995: A UNIQUE GROUP OF INDIVIDUALISTS

The time has come. The two-digit objective that has been doodled on notebooks and chanted at pep rallies has become a reality. The Class of '95 consisted of 15 different spirits with similar hopes, dreams, and fears. The common tribulations acted as a class vertebrae binding peers into close friends. Striking characteristics of each individual maintained the spirit.

TROY-injured all-star and humanist. *LISA*-opinionated and nostalgic Lajes veteran. *MICHELLE*-nonconformist and swimmer. *J-C*-teacher, talented, gum-collector, and resident Hoosier. *SHANNON*-friendly and frequently grounded. *RYAN*-Italian Stallion man on drums and vocals. *MANDY*-journalist and early graduate. *NICOLE*-dinosaur-friendly and hoarder of cupcakes. *HEATHER*-marine biologist, setter, and troll-collector. *JAMIE*-aspiring cardiologist and chapstick enthusiast. *DANNY*-always mumblin', blonde-lovin skier. *CATARINA*-judo olympian and absent one. *SONYA*-quiet, yet willing to take risks. *DAVE*-sexy cyclist and engineer. *WILL*-sports writer with teen concerns. *MRS. BOCKMAN*-Jayne of all trades and mom of 15.

Refuge was sought and found in the comfort of smiling faces-the comfort of friendship.



Top: After a street bullfight, seniors enjoy Mrs. Bockman's delicious cheeseburgers. Above: Sonya Vaughn proudly displaying her unique mask made in drama class. Above Right: According to Michelle Bene' and Heather Fields, "When you crumble the donuts, the calories fall out." Right: Seniors are destined for distant horizons.





Troy Alexander Arnold

Football 9, Basketball 9-12, Soccer 10-12, StuCo Representative 12



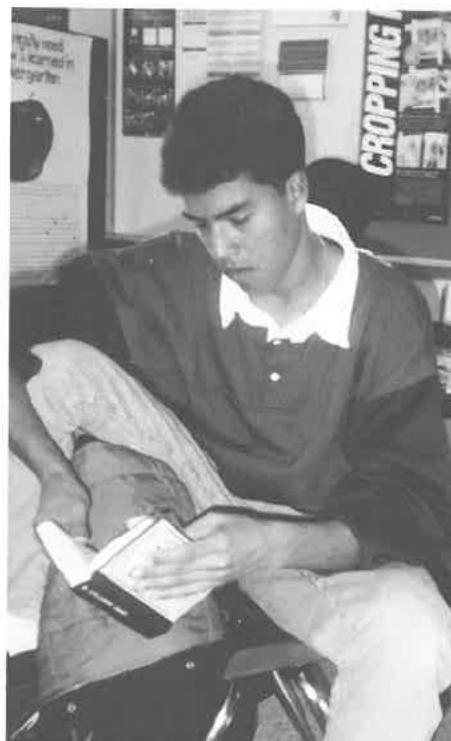
Lisa Marie Barker

Basketball 9-12, Volleyball 9, 11, 12, Tennis 10, Cheerleading 9-10, StuCo 9-12 (Sec 10, Rep 12), FLC 10-12 (VP 10, Pres 12), NHS 9-12 (VP 12) Yearbook 10-12, Newspaper 10, 12, OLIVE BRANCH 11, Lettermens Club 9-10, Plays 9-12 Music Fest 12, Drama Fest 11-12, Choir 11-12, Leadership Conference 9, Class Pres 9, 11.

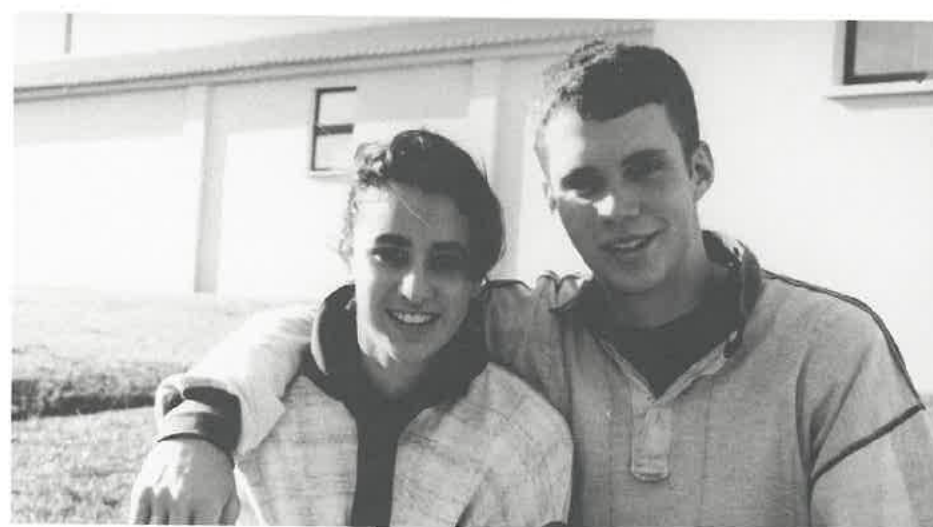


Michelle Andrea Bene

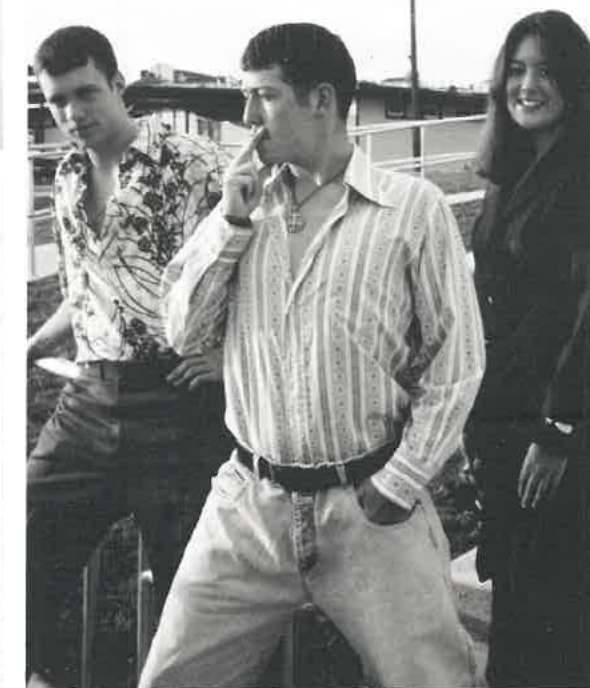
Tennis 9-10, FLC 9-10, Yearbook 11-12, Newspaper 11, Swimming 10-11, Track 10, DECA 11, YAC 9-10



Above: Taking a break from drawing layouts, Will Whitehorn flips through an available book. Above Right: Nicolita and Troysito ... a familiar sight. Right: With the exception of Danny Rehm, the senior class is captivated by MACBETH.



Left: Mandy Fellers lounges about in a comfy home ec cottage chair. Below Left: A fine spot for lunch, Ryan Ennis and Dave Waters share the break. Below: Getting into the groove, Troy Arnold, J-C Bockman and Jamie Masone are dressed for 70s Day.



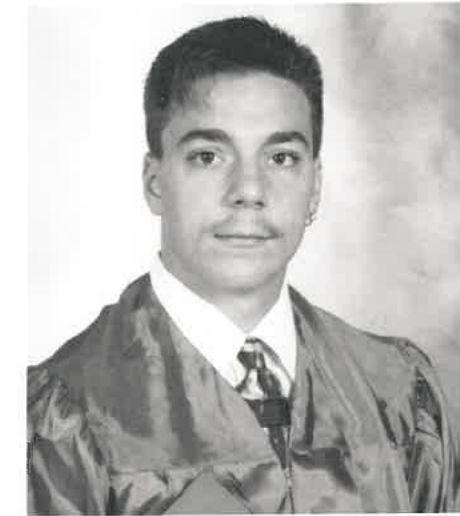
John-Christian Bockman

Football 9-12, Basketball 9-12 Soccer 9-10, 12 Volleyball 9-10, Tennis 9-11, StuCo 9, 11-12 (VP 11, Pres 12), FLC 10-12 (VP 11), Band 9-12, Choir 9-12, NHS 11-12, Yearbook 9, Newspaper 9-10, OLIVE BRANCH 9, 11, Lettermens Club 10, Plays 9-12, Drama Fest 9-12, Music Fest 9-12, Leadership Conference 11, Creative Connections 12, Honors Music Festival 12



Shannon Renee Bush

Future Business Leaders of America 9-10, NJROTC 9, Newspaper 12, Yearbook 12



Ryan Daniel Ennis

Football 11-12, Baseball 9-10, Volleyball 11-12, StuCo Rep 9, 11, Band 9-12, Choir 9-12, Newspaper 12, Yearbook 12, Music Fest 11-12, Drama Fest 11-12



"Plan ahead, but not too far, and most of all, take time to enjoy life."



"Had we but world enough and time."



"Make peace with who you are or you will never be content with what you have."

Fun-loving seniors share happy memories



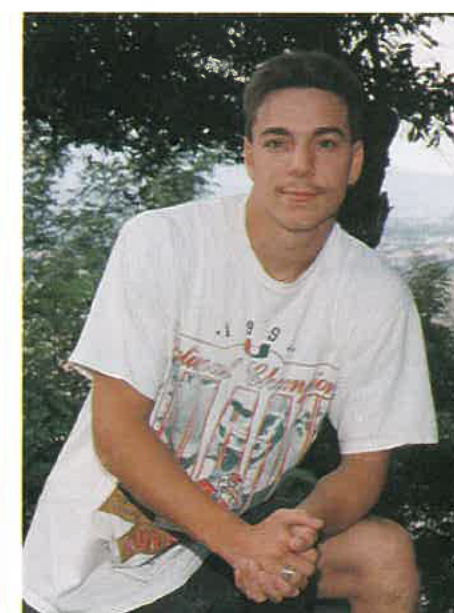
Below: Munching on chestnuts, Shannon Bush celebrates a Portuguese holiday. Left: Full of life and fun, four good friends relax at Three Sisters. Below Left: Making the most of London, Lisa Barker poses with a British Beefeater.



"Don't let your fears stand in the way of your dreams."



"Fear can hold you prisoner. Hope can set you free."



"If you love it, set it free. If it comes back, it's meant to be. If not, it was never yours."



Amanda Michelle Fellers

Basketball 9-11, NHS 10-12 (Sec 11), Yearbook 10-12 (Co-editor 10, Editor 11-12), OLIVE BRANCH 11, Leadership Conference 11, Model Senate 11, CWE 12



Nicole Ivette Fernandez

Basketball 10, Soccer 12, Volleyball 9-12, Tennis 10-12, Cheerleading 10, StuCo 10-12, Newspaper 10, OLIVE BRANCH 9, Class VP 10-12



Heather Marie Fields

Volleyball 9-12, Cheerleading 10-12, StuCo 10, NHS 11-12, Yearbook 12, Newspaper 12, Leadership Conference 11, Class Sec 11-12, Class Rep 10



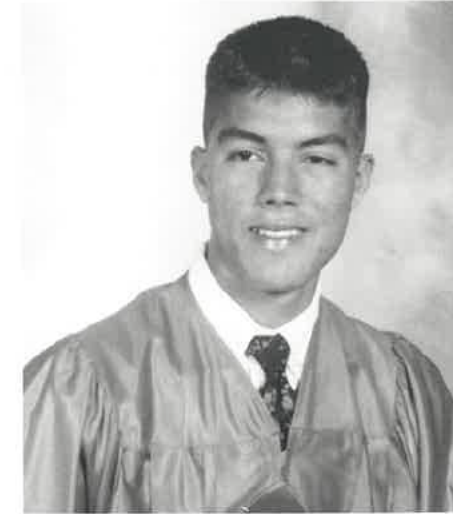
Sonya Renee Vaughn

Cheerleading 11



David Douglas Waters

Football 9, 11-12, Baseball 10, Soccer 12, FLC 10-12, Band 9, CWE 12



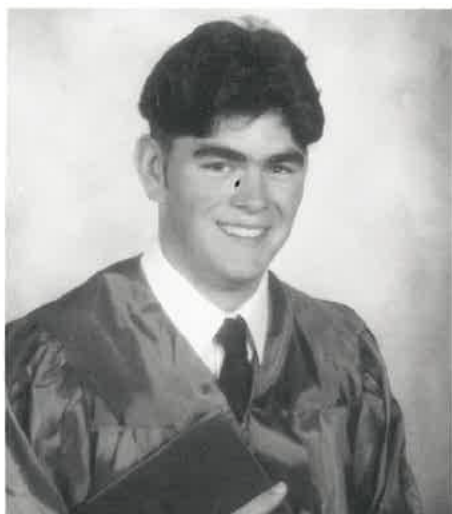
Harry William Whitehorn

Football 10, 12, StuCo 9, Yearbook 12, Newspaper 12



Jamie Aileen Masone

Basketball 11-12, Volleyball 9-12, Tennis 10, Cheerleading 9-11, StuCo 11-12, FLC 10-12, Band 9-11, NHS 10-12 (Pres 12), Lettermens Club 10, Plays 9-10, Music Fest 9-10, Class Sec 9-10, Class Pres 12, Leadership Conference 9, Model Senate 11, OLIVE BRANCH 11



Daniel Paul Rehm

Football 9-10, Basketball 12, Soccer 12, Band 9-10, Music Fest 9-10



Maria Catarina Riberio

Tennis 9-10, Judo 9-10, 12, Choir 9-10, Teens That Care 9 (Pres 9), NHS 9, 10, 12 Yearbook 10, Newspaper 10, Plays 9-10, Drama Fest 9, Music Fest 9, Class VP 9-10



Dedicated seniors chant in an effort to attain the unjustly denied Spirit Stick.

Hold On To The Moment

Single file and yet together,
We have shared our greatest days.
And we carry common memories
In different ways.

Though we don't know where we're going,
We will cherish where we've been.
I want to cry.
I want to shout ...
Want to let this feeling out.

Hold on to the moment.
Let the feelings show.
Hold on to the moment.
Never let it go.

I can picture us together
With my arms around my friends.
Just let me hold on to this moment,
Before it ends
There was laughter. There were tears,
Through the dozen golden years.



"Two things are certain: you're born; you die. What happens in between is up to you."



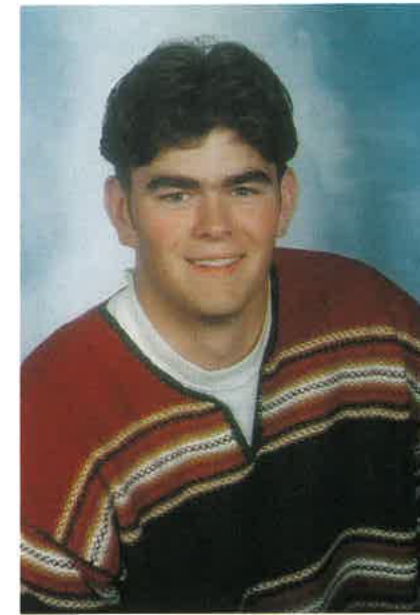
"The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be."



"It is easier to leave angry words unspeaken than to mend a heart those words have broken."



"You have brains in your head. You have feet in your shoes. You can steer yourself any direction you choose."



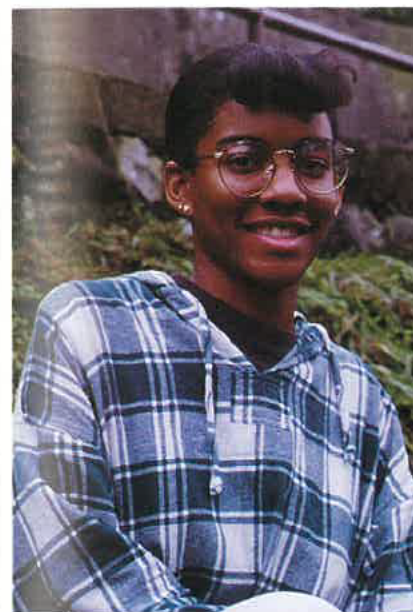
"Don't believe that nice guys finish last. Nice guys are winners before the contest even starts."



"Don't be afraid to be weak or too proud to be strong. Don't be afraid of what people say. Just follow your own way."



Above: Sir Rehm and Sir Arnold take Homecoming seriously. Above Right: Using the library for a quiet area, Lisa Barker, Heather Fields, and Nicole Fernandez discuss last night's homework. Bottom Right: Working together, seniors decorate the door that would win first place in the Hispanic Heritage Month contest.



"Never get too attached to something because it can be pulled out from under you like a rug."



"Enjoy life today. Yesterday is gone. Tomorrow may never come."



"I laugh because I should not cry ... with fearful strain on me night and day, if I did not laugh, I should die."

Roger Baldwin
January Bolton
Summer Brown
Jessica Bussleman



James Caron
Angel Casaigne
John Fissette
Angela Forshee



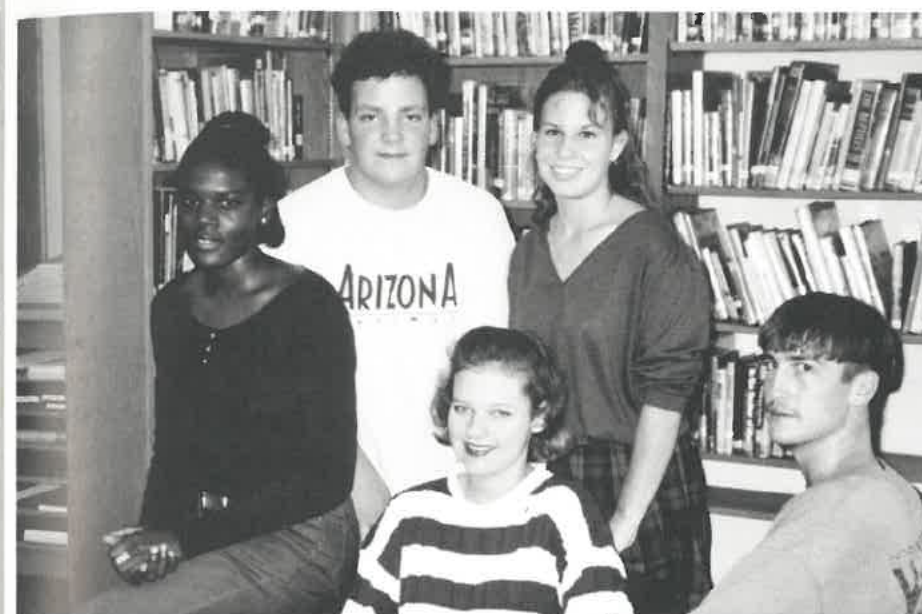
Khisha Gomes
Dawn James
Tony Plyler
Ellen Ponson



Ashley Schmidt
Scott Smith
Liz Tutweiler
Sergio Umana



Jami Walker
Cory Whicker



Juniors Make Friends For A Lifetime

Juniors weren't just faces in a crowd. Eighteen distinct personalities, each had a unique individuality. At Lajes where not only did everyone know everyone's name, but also everything about them, friendships were made to last a lifetime. Friendship bound them together.

Class Officers-Khisha Gomes, StuCo Rep; Roger Baldwin, Pres; Ellen Ponson, V-Pres; January Bolton, Sec; John Fissette, Treas. Below: Juniors are forever friends.

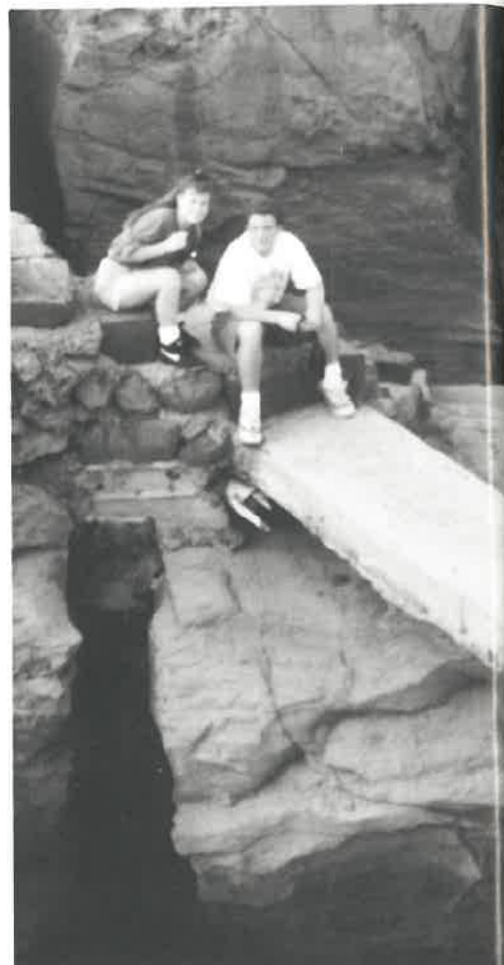


Class of nineteen hundred and ninety six

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Top Left: Dynamic duo Angel Casaigne and Sergio Umana keep music flowing at the StuCo Welcome Back Beach Party. Top Right: With many of their closest friends seniors, Ellen Ponson and Roger Baldwin wait on the other side of the Three Sisters Bridge for their buddies to return. Right: On a cold, rainy Saturday, Summer Brown supports the Falcons. Above: Keepers of the Junior Class Store, Khisha Gomes, January Bolton and Scott Smith cheerfully serve Dawn James.



Top: John Fissette enjoys the Friday morning donut sales. Top Right: Juniors Khisha Gomes, Ellen Ponson, and Dawn James teach freshmen how to play, "Guess What?" Above: Decorating a cake for Home Ec, Roger Baldwin and Tony Plyler demonstrate their masculinity. Right: Liz Tutweiler and Tony Plyler clash to show their spirit.





Kimiko Atkins Amber Blakey Josh Blundell Josh Brothers Kristi Brothers Dominique Callins Jarrod Colquitt

Paul Compton
Kibibi Devero
Bernie Eaddy



Jason Eller
Kris Forand
Christina Kingsbury



Gene Lancaster
Sarah Latshaw
Matt Lewis



Kelley Lowary
George Pargas
Jennifer Patterson



Cheri Rehm



Melissa Smith



Lindsey Summers



David Tutweiler



Nolan Whicker

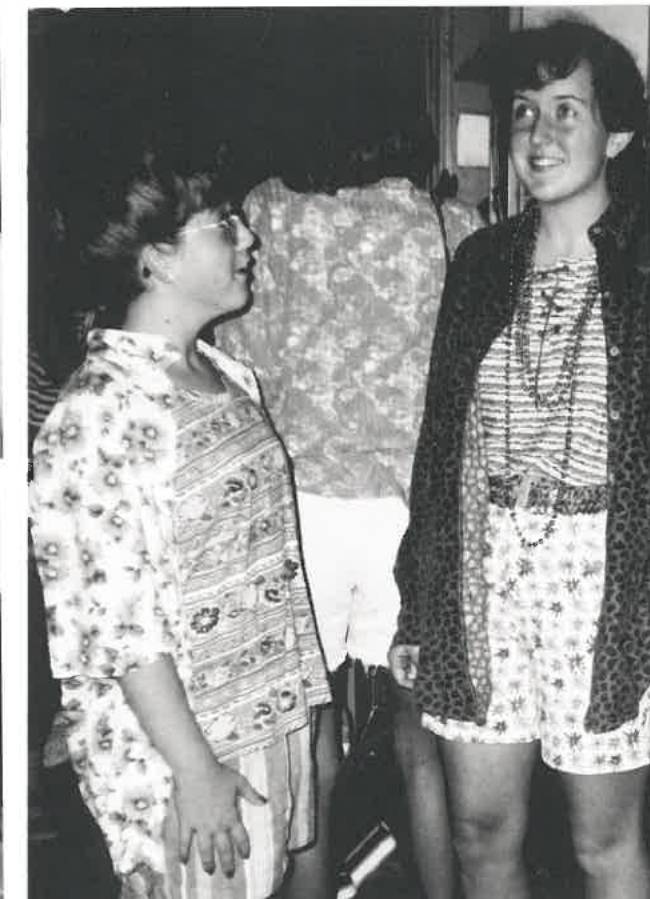


James Wilson



Sophomores Can Work And Have Fun

Sophomore derives from the word "sophomoric" meaning "immature" and "over-confident". A little immature at times, but over-confident? Never! Fun-loving people, more than half the class was new, but they welcomed all with open arms. Together they won second place in the Spirit Week festivities, and over the year, more than half the class was involved in some kind of sport. Sophomoric? Maybe a little. But more importantly, they spent the year working together.

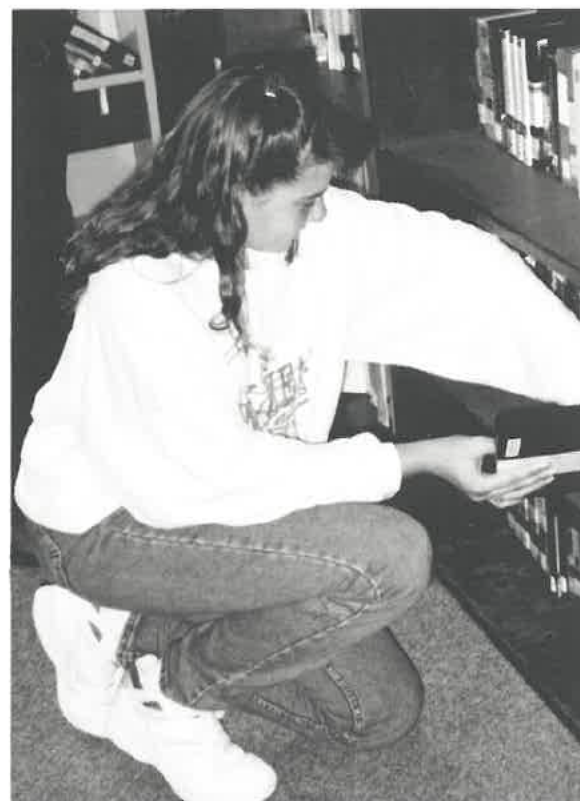


Top: Stupendous sophomores know how to have fun! Above Left: Class Officers-Kristi Brothers, Treasurer; Sarah Latshaw, President; Lindsey Summers, Vice President; Cheri Rehm, Secretary; George Pargas, StuCo Representative. Above: Clash Day spirit is shown in Kristi Brothers' and Amber Blakey's attire. Left: Nervously hoping for a touchdown, George Pargas and Kris Forand are in on the action.

Sophomores



As friends, we share so much more
than other people may ever realize.
We share a closeness, that is very lasting.
We know we don't have to be afraid
of opening up to one another,
of trusting completely,
of appreciating moments of time
we spend in one another's company.
I'm not afraid to let you see me cry,
and you're the one person
I want to be with when I want to feel crazy.
Through it all, I know you understand me,
in the same way I understand you.
There are other people whom I dearly love
and care about in this world,
but there is no one else quite like you.
Every time I look back
our friendship has been one
of the best parts of the yesterdays.
Every time I look ahead,
I see our friendship
as the one thing I can always count on
to get through tomorrow.



Top Left: Paul Compton and Dominique Callins work diligently to finish a test. To Right: Bernie Eaddy just chills at the beach party. Left: Library aide Christina Kingsbury files videos as part of her duties. Above: Jarrod Colquitt takes another shot at a Spanish test during RT²



Top: Chay Rehm and Kimiko Atkins share locker room fun in England. Above Left: Kristi Brothers, Chay Rehm, Jennifer Paterson, Amber Blakey, and Kimiko Atkins support the Falcons on a sunny Saturday. Above: George Pargas, Nolan Whicker, and Sarah Latshaw plan the sophomore entry in the Hispanic Heritage Month door contest. Left: StuCo members Dominique Callins and Sarah Latshaw sell PT SA-sponsored school products.

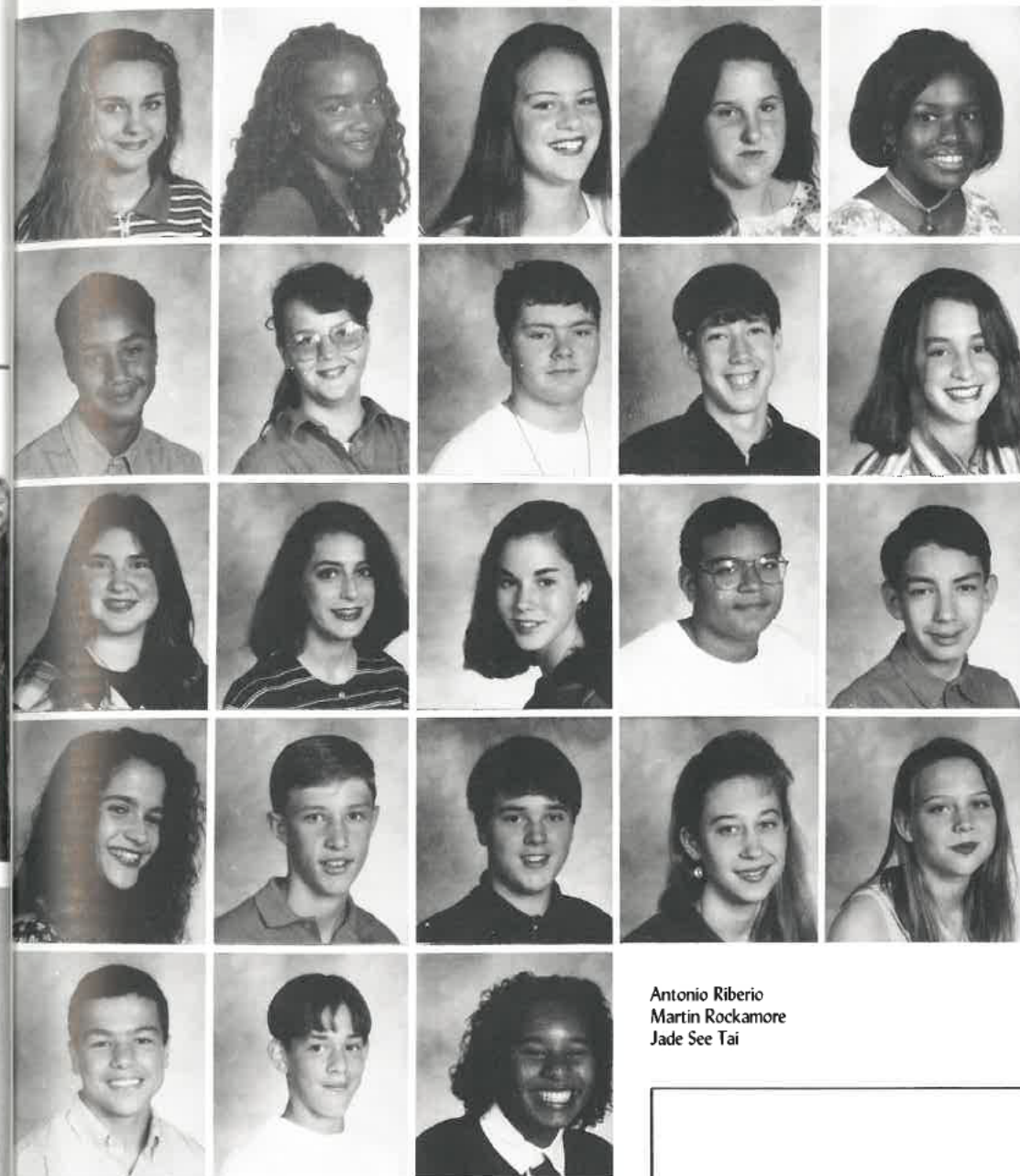


Freshmen Fit In

Freshmen, ready and definitely able, met the challenge of a new beginning. As 8th graders, they had been just too young to do most things. Although new and inexperienced, freshmen were leaping at the challenge of involvement. With cheerleading, sports, and clubs open to them, the Class of '98 participated in one way or another.



Top Right: Full-of-fun freshmen! Above: Hall-sitting appeals to this group of freshmen. Right: "Peace, Man!" Ninth graders get into the '70s spirit.



Candace Bacinski
Sparkle Brown
Rachel Bruning
Shawna Bush
Corrine Callins

Juan Casaigne
Melody Deloria
Ron Dillon
Adam Fellers
Carolyn Fernandez

Jennifer Glenn
Erica Keller
Tracy Lewis
Vladimir Marc-Charles
Chris Medina

Larissa Mendes
Dan Moser
Adam McGregor
Roxie Paramore
Chrissy Radis

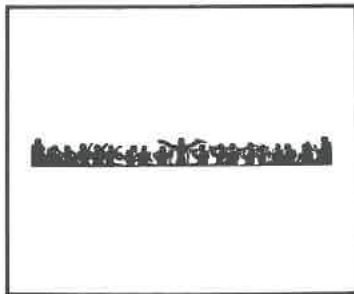
Antonio Riberio
Martin Rockamore
Jade See Tai

Class Officers

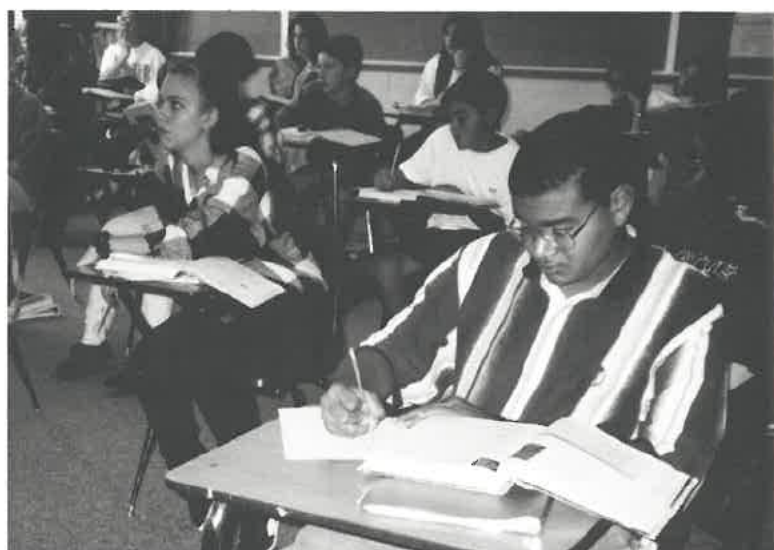
President
Vice-President
Secretary
Treasurer
StuCo Representatives
StuCo Alternate
Class Advisor

Rachel Bruning
Carolyn Fernandez
Candace Bacinski
Larissa Mendes
Jade See Tai
Daniel Moser
Mrs. O'Neill





Top Right: 9th graders listen for some homework tips from an upper-classman. Above: Larissa Mendes, hard at work, figures an Algebra I problem. Above Right: Freshmen listen and take necessary notes. Right: Freshmen football manager Jade See Tai shows the ropes to Melissa Smith.



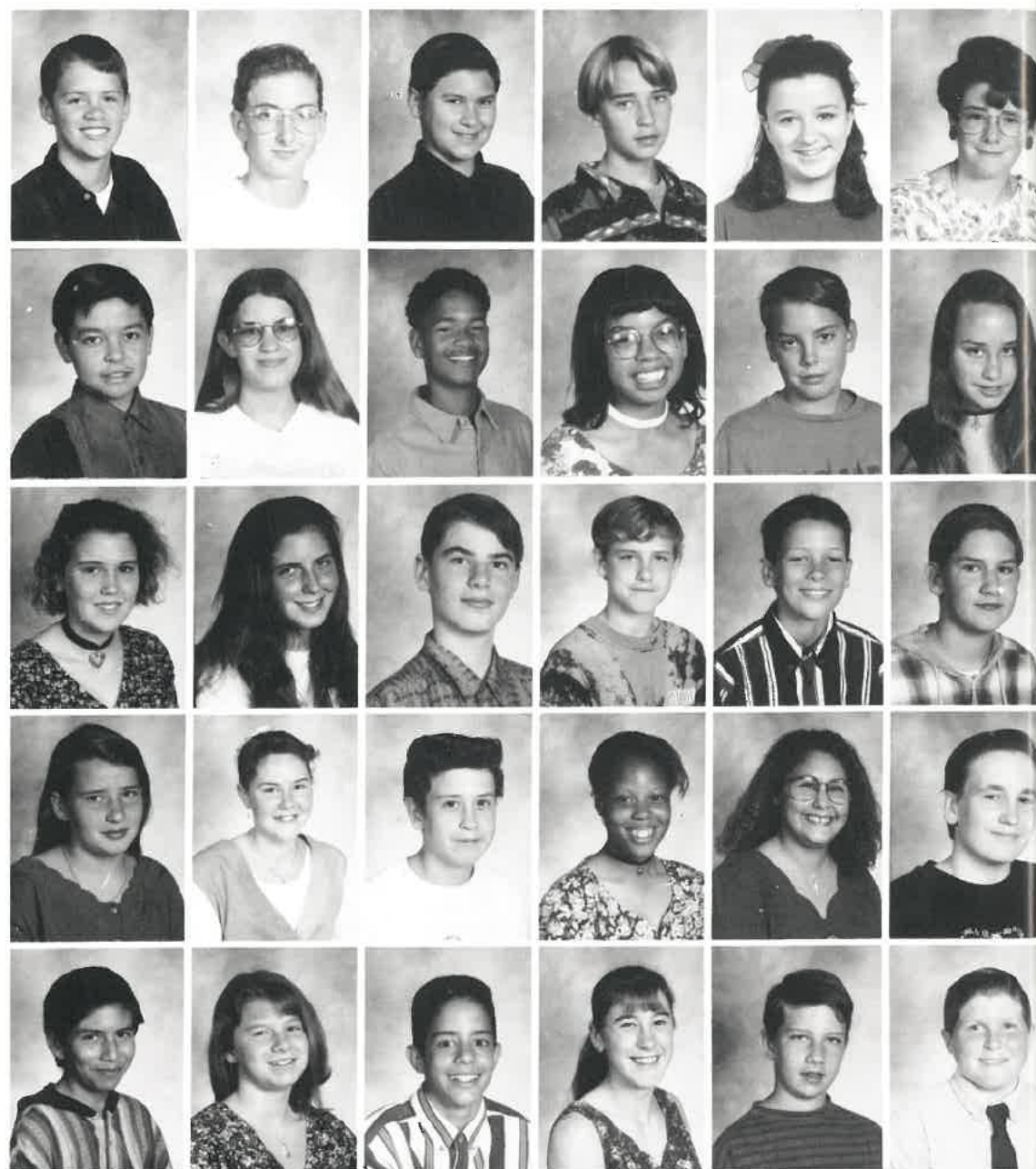
Left: Carolyn Fernandez and Rachel Bruning join in the fun of decorating for the Homecoming Dance. Below Left: Martin Rockamore concentrates on the action while waiting to get into the game. Below Middle: Rachel Bruning and Chris Medina enjoy a dance at homecoming. Below: Tracy Lewis poses by the freshmen door for the Hispanic Heritage Month contest. Bottom Left: Eating heartily at lunch, Jade See Tai and Sparkle Brown know that a nutritious lunch will keep them going all through the day.



Freshmen

8th Graders Mingle With Upperclassmen

8th graders were no longer the youngest in the high school, and they were able to do alot more. They were included in more things such as StuCo, intramural sports, dances, yearbook and the NJHS. "We are the sweetest in the school," said Amy Stahl. "And the cutest," added Emily Porter. 8th graders had the opportunity to share classes with older students, too. Those classes-band, Spanish, chorus, and Algebra I-helped them get a feel for being an upperclassman, and added to the excitement of being an 8th grader.



Scott Arnold
Levi Baker
Jay Barreto
Chris Blundell
Lynette Bohrer
Becca Brown

Charles Cahoon
Gillian Caron
David Cox
Talia Cox
Nathaniel Didier
Andrea Dietze

Jackie Fischer
Michelle Guindin
Joshua Hamm
Brandon Hensley
David Hession
Joshua Kelly

Stephanie Kingsbury
Allyson Lohr
Daniel Lynn
Nicole McClain
Marie Moore
Alex Munkachy

Jay Pargas
Emily Porter
Freddie Rosario
Amy Stahl
Justin Van Winkle
Aaron Whicker



Top: Smiling and spirited, 8th graders can laugh even on a rainy day. Above Left: Class Officers-Freddie Rosario, President; Jay Pargas, StuCo Representative; Talia Cox, Secretary; Jackie Fischer, StuCo Representative; Allyson Lohr, StuCo Representative; Levi Baker, Treasurer; David Cook, Vice President; Scott Arnold, StuCo Representative. Above: Groovy and totally far-out, they're happy hippies during Spirit Week. Left: Freddie Rosario takes charge at a money-making class meeting ... Lumpia Sales!

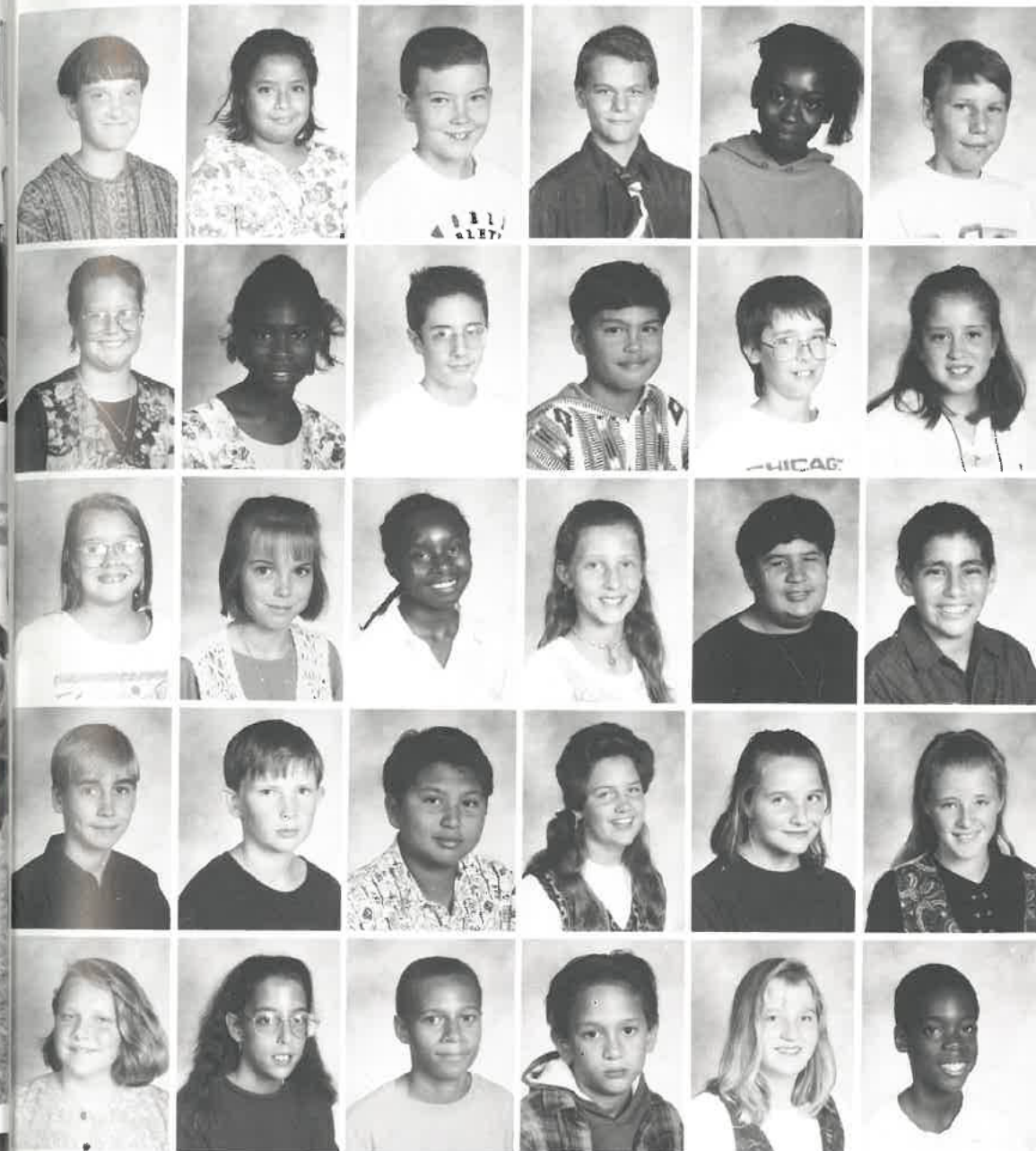


7th Graders Assume High School Status

Having different teachers every period, new classes every hour, freedom to choose where to eat lunch, the privacy of a locker, and ... the responsibility to remember the combination. New experiences like these confronted 7th graders daily. Dances, intramurals, slumber parties, and movies filled much of their after-school time. It was fun being a Falcon.



Top: The Class of 2000! Middle Left: Spirited 7th graders steal the spirit stick. Middle Right: Jammin' to the tunes, Tanisha Eaddy, Nina Lynn, and Natazha Casaigne get into the groove. Above: There's more than just cheering for the falcons at a flag football game. Nina Lynn, Sara Robinson, and Christina Wankowski let loose! Right: Class Officers-Vice-President Christina Wankowski, President Erma Morgan, StuCo Rep Natazha Casaigne, Treasurer Jessica James, StuCo Alt Rep Kristin Rusnak, StuCo Rep Nina Lynn, StuCo Alt Rep Tanisha Eaddy, Secretary Sara Robinson.



Cory Bush
Natazha Casaigne
John Connelly
Donald Deloria
Tanisha Eaddy
David Gaudreau

Nikki Hession
Jessica James
Matthew Jolly
Arthur Lipatan
David Lowary
Nina Lynn

Wendy Mayer
Amber Miles
Erma Morgan
Kristie Moser
Jessie Niver
Nick Panzlau

Jody Paramore
James Parsons
Anthony Rangel
Stephanie Reed
Sara Robinson
Charlene Roby

Kristen Rusnak
Brianne Silva
Matthew Sloan
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Christina Wankowski
Kelvin Wilson

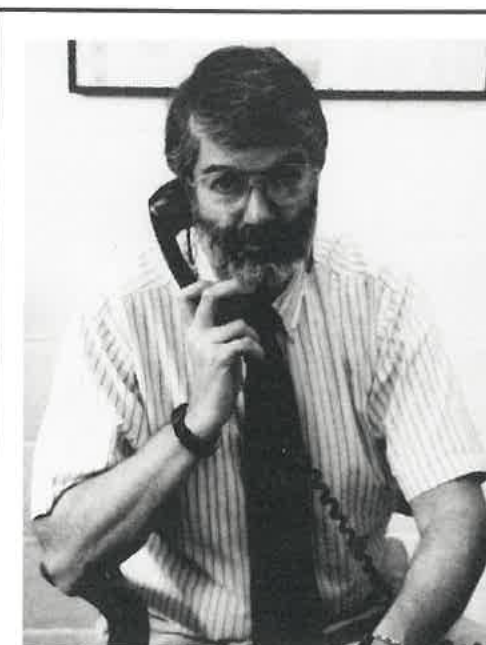
Class of two thousand

Faculty Provides Key To America's Future

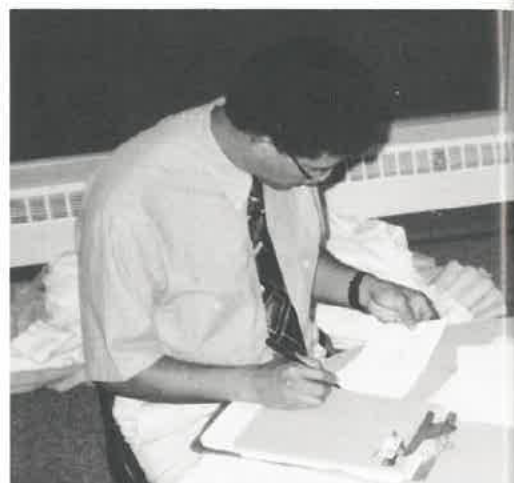
Teaching is one of the hardest professions. Perhaps this accounts for the fact that there are fewer teachers than ever before. Under-paid, under-appreciated and over-worked, they continue to lead the way, hurtling obstacles and crashing through barriers to pass the torch of knowledge on to America's future.



Ms. Ennix and Mr. Bockman snack on cakes prepared by Ms. Harris' home economics students.



IRA J. SCHEIER, Principal "I see myself as the captain of a ship or the pilot of a plane. Hopefully I am someone who helps make things happen."



CONNIE ENNIX, Assistant Principal "When life gives you lemons, make lemonade."

ALICE BAKER, Math, Algebra, Pre-Algebra "2 teach is 2 touch lives 4ever."

JAYNE BOCKMAN, Language Arts, Journalism, Drama "Carpe Diem"

Top: Mr. Rowe makes sure the numbers work with his TI-81. Above Left: Teachers enjoy some collegiality during lunch break. Above Right: Dr. Gonzalez spends his preparation period grading "los exámenes". Right: Mrs. Traylor doesn't waste a minute of time. Far Right: Sharing some information, Nurse Panzlau chats with Lisa Barker.



JOHN BOCKMAN, Music, Language Arts, Humanities "The better we know someone and like what we know, the harder we will work for that person."

STEPHANIE BOND, Secretary "One ought to hear a little song, see a fine picture, and if it were possible, speak a few reasonable words."

ROBERT BROWN, Science, Chemistry, Physics "Whether you think you can or can't makes no difference. Either way, you're probably right."

ROBIN CONNER, Secretary "Go through life with a sense of humor."
MIMINA FALCAO-TO STE, Portuguese "Nao deixes para amanha o que podes fazer hoje."
GALE FIEHLER, Independent Studies "Modeling life-Long learning."



TOM ROWE, Geometry, Math Analysis, Algebra II, Technology, Computer Drafting "Work hard now and enjoy it later."
GLORIA TRAYLOR, U.S. History, Contemporary Issues "Character is what you are when you think no one is looking."
BILL TRAYLOR, Computer Studies, Basic Programming "Just because you fail doesn't mean I don't like you."

HARRY FOLEY, Guidance Counselor "Learn to say kind things. Nobody ever resents them."
JULIO GONZALEZ, Spanish, U.S. History "The sky is the limit ... Aqui se habla espanol ... Vale?"
ALYISIA HALASZ, Media Skills "Face to face we share uniqueness."

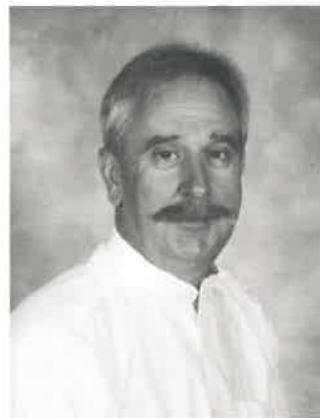


NANCY TRUKOSITZ, World History, U.S. Government, Economics, World Regions "If you love life, do not squander time, for that's the stuff that life is made of."
EUNICE WHITE, Business, Accounting, Keyboarding, Language Arts "Hard Work builds character."

DEBRA HARRIS, Home Economics, Child Care, Health "A stitch in time, saves nine."
GLORIA KROM, Physical Education, Health "Be flexible, and you won't get bent out of shape."
BARBARA LOHR, Special Education Technician "The used key is always bright."



LISA O'NEILL, Language Arts, Reading, Study Skills "If you find a path with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere."
TOM PANZLAU, Nurse "You are never too young to accomplish or too old to try."
HARVEY PAULIN, Science, Biology, Algebra "A measure of a man's character is what he would do if he knew he would never be found out."



Mrs. Bockman assists Ryan Ennis in fine-tuning a layout in journalism class.

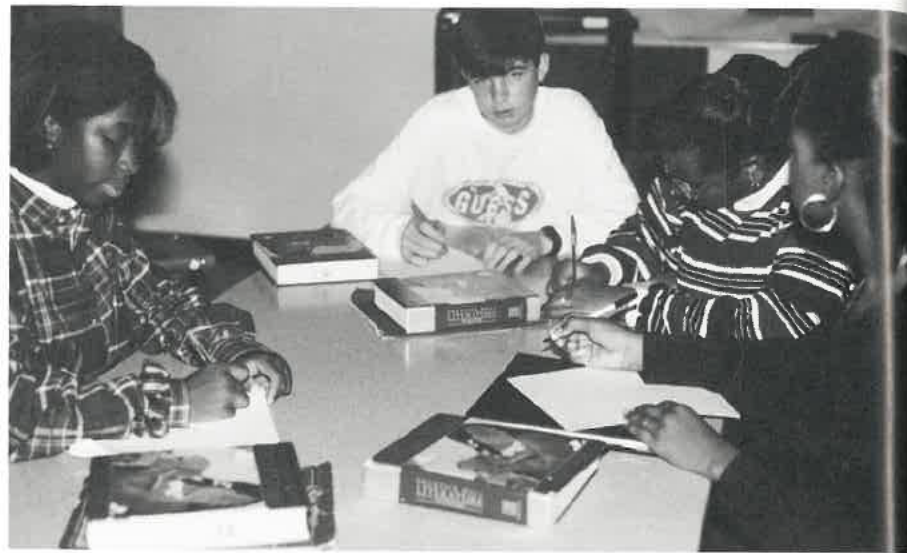


On the first day of a new school year, Ms. Krom chats with students.

LANGUAGE ARTS PROVIDES A LIFETIME OF LEARNING

Language arts classes provided more than just the study of literature and writing. Integrating spelling, vocabulary, public speaking, and creative writing into the classes, language arts offered something for everyone. Those desiring more opted for drama, journalism, and honors classes.

Right: 10th graders peer conference their essays. Below Far Right: After studying ancient masks in drama, students create masks of their own.



SOCIAL STUDIES

SIMULATES REAL LIFE

Social studies students were able to become more aware through the study of social issues, the workings of government, and the impact of past civilizations on the world today. Our country's history, as well as legislation, the workings of Congress, and how elections take place were also stressed in various classes. Simulating real life was stressed as an important way to study the past and appreciate the present.



Above Center: Dan Rehm knows the answer in government class. Right: Current events is the topic in U.S. History. Far Right: Seniors research U.S. senators in the library.



MATH IS A QUEST 4 KNOWLEDGE



Mathematics classes, ranging from pre-algebra to math analysis, gave students more than just knowledge in math. Experience in working collaboratively, working on real-life problems dealing with math, and learning to work with latest in math technology, the TI-82 calculator, were common in most classes. Geometry students were taken to the golf course to work out distance problems, and then were allowed to play a round of golf applying their new found skills. Experiences such as these made mathematics come alive.

Far Left: Mr. Paulin demonstrates how to bisect a line using only a compass and a straight edge in geometry class. Left: Heather Fields breezes through an assignment for Algebra II class.

SCIENCE TEACHES PROBLEM-SOLVING

Students enrolled in science classes gained knowledge about our planet and the atmosphere outside it. "Using a spectrum to separate light into different layers and examining how it arranged itself was a new experience for me", said Senior Will Whitehorn. Using problem-solving and critical thinking skills, science students took their studies seriously.



Far Left: Physics students observe a wall moving while Catarina Ribeiro watches through a laser. Left: 9th grade science students listen intently to Mr. Brown's lecture on the solar system.

MUSIC IS THE LANGUAGE OF THE SOUL

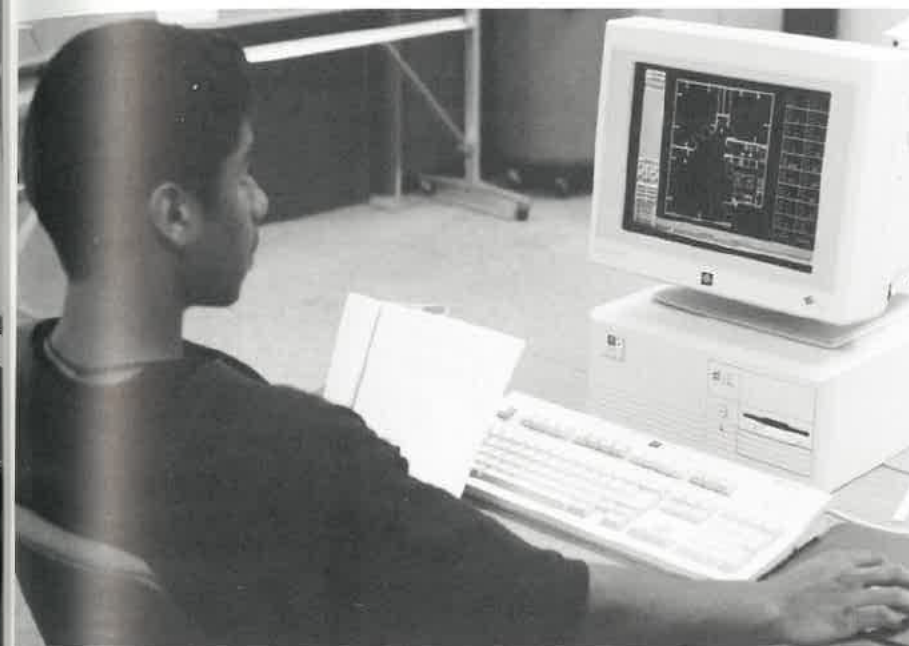
Allowing for exploration of creativity, music students gained experience. Lessons learned were feeling good about performing in front of others. Gaining self-esteem, and maintaining self-discipline through practices. Working together for a common goal brought satisfaction as musicians spoke the language of their souls.



Top Right: Flutists Stephanie Kingsbury and Christina Wonkowski struggle through a difficult passage. Above: "... and on drums, Ryan Ennis!" Above Right: Chorus students warm up.

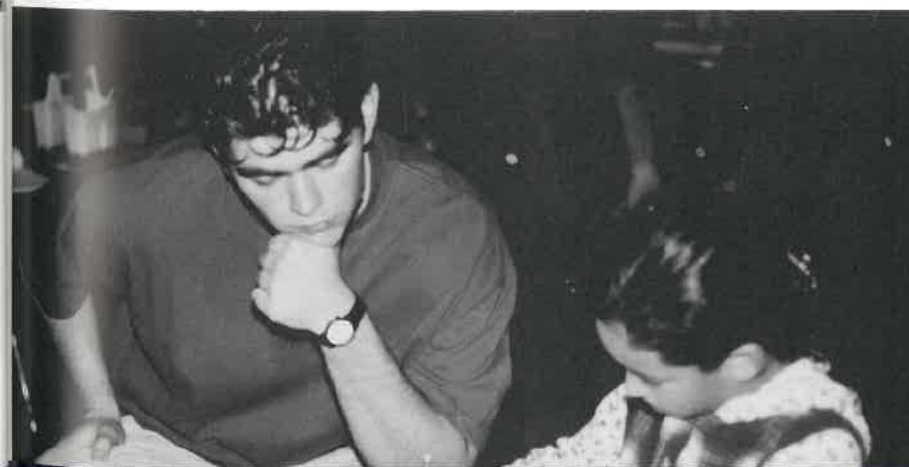
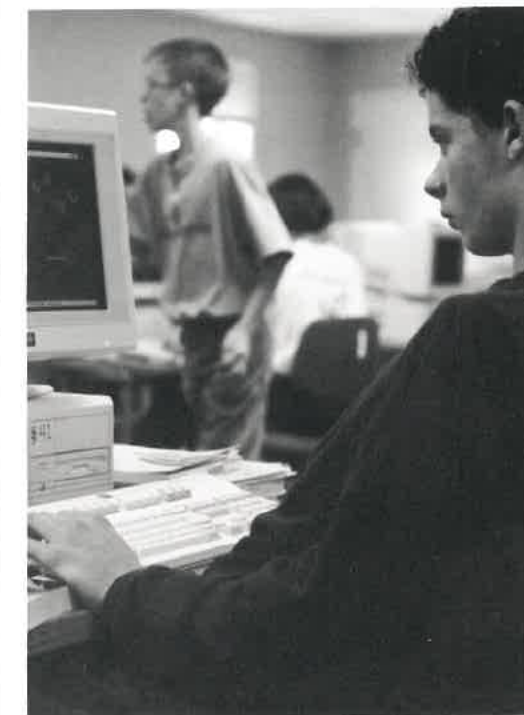


TECHNICAL EDUCATION TRAINS TOMORROW'S DRAFTSMEN



With state-of-the-art technology at their fingertips, tech ed students learned "Ferd's Playhouse", and then actually constructed a playhouse from the program in drafting class. Complete with plumbing, electricity, and furnishings, a model was the final product.

Left: Designing plans for a house in architectural computer drafting, Angel Casaigne works independently. Below: Gene Lancaster learns the basics of computer drafting.



PORTUGUESE/SPANISH

BREAK CULTURAL BARRIERS

With emphasis on cultural diversity and immersion into language, foreign language classes offered students both experiences. Two years of either Portuguese or Spanish were certainly recommended.

Right: Portuguese students are treated to traditional St. Martin's Day chestnuts. Far Right: Spanish students listen to Tania Koles' advice on majoring in a foreign language in college.

TEACHER AIDES AID TEACHERS

Although students did not earn credits being teachers' aides, they did earn experience. Assisting teachers, aids were able to relate to some of the frustrations teachers face on a day-to-day basis. Students working in the elementary school learned to be more patient.

Above Left: Drama aide Troy Arnold meticulously creates a plaster mask. Left: Giving assistance, Danny Rehm works with Mrs. Fernandez's class.

Computers Spark Student's Imagination

Learning programs, loading and unloading data, saving diskettes, and even playing games, students in computer classes benefited from experiences that would enhance their knowledge for the future

Right: Mr. Traylor gives instructions to basic computer students. Below: Sonya Vaughn and Matt Lewis team up to check work. Below Right: Corrine Callins concentrates on her keyboarding accuracy.



Business Students Invest An Interest

A wide range of courses available allowed business students to explore specific areas of business. In a high-tech world, many of the classes were geared toward computer usage.

Right: Martin Rockamore, Adam Fellers, and Juan Caigne joke around while working in accounting.



P.E. Attracts More Than Jocks

Lifetime sports like golf, badminton, and archery offered phys ed students a range of sports. Besides running laps, shooting hoops, and calisthenics, students learned fitness skills

As Ms. Krom watches the action on the court, John Fissette and Kris Forand take a breather.



Home Ec Offers Experience

Learning about cooking, quilting, healthy habits, and having fun were impressions students took from home ec classes. Skills to last a lifetime ... how to shop, find bargains, and living the single life were also taught.

Left: Angela Forshee carefully stitches. Bottom Left: Melissa Smith checks her quilt. Below: Roger Baldwin washes dishes after dinner.



Cooperative Work Experience: A Taste Of Future Careers

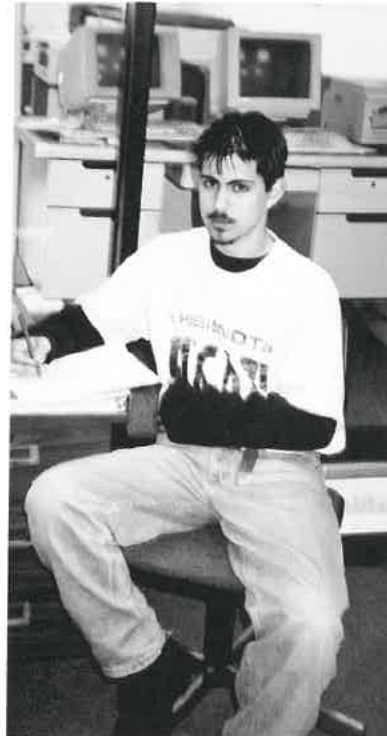
Cooperative Work Experience offered students valuable knowledge from working at a job that related directly to their future career goals. CEW allowed students to acquire two credits toward graduation and provided on-the-job-training. Students were at their job sites for two class periods a day. CEW provided hands-on experience for students wishing to explore a career of their choice.

The



of Work

Top: In charge of getting information about how much electricity and fuel is used at Lajes, Dave Waters records it in a computer as part of his job at CE. Middle Left: James Caron is a publicity illustrator, drawing illustrations for use by various media on the base. Middle Right: Sergio Umana works in the radio section at EBS gaining knowledge in the field of radio broadcasting. Bottom Left: Tony Plyler works at EBS using technical equipment, lights, cameras, and the editing system. Bottom Right: Mandy Fellers, working at THE CROSSROADS, edits material, collaborates with the editor for the paper's layout, and types articles using computer programs.



DISTANCE LEARNING: WHY WE USE IT

Because DoDDS is getting smaller as the right-sizing continues, we can no longer offer some courses. "For that reason, we are utilizing technology to teach classes. Students use interactive media, such as the computer, to access their lessons. They use video tapes for lectures and homework. They also use the FAX and CC: MAIL to send and receive lessons," explained Mrs. Halasz-Vorndran, the distance learning teacher. Five students were enrolled in the distance learning program.

Top: Discussing their calculus assignment via video are David Waters, Roger Baldwin, and Lisa Barker. Left: Jamie Masone puts the finishing touches on a physics assignment before sending it to her teacher located in Germany.



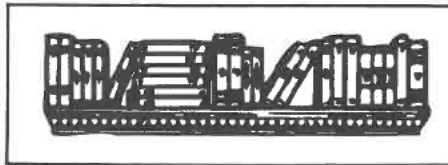
LIBRARY...BEING AN AIDE

Being a library aide meant filing books, videos, and magazines, checking books in and out, copying material on the copy machine, and laminating items. Aides learned computer programs to assist in student research. Most importantly, working with people was stressed. "I enjoy the interaction with students. They're a big help," said Mrs. Halasz-Vorndran, librarian.

Above: Christina Kingsbury and Dawn James are given instructions on how to file magazines. Above Left: Heather Fields and Summer Brown cheerfully assist library patrons. Left: Brandon Hensley and Levi Baker select a book from the stacks.

RT² ENCOURAGES EXCELLENCE IN JUNIOR HIGH CLASSES

Mandatory RT² definitely made a difference in the academic improvement of junior high students. The failure rate from last year changed to higher grades. Besides required academic classes, 7th and 8th graders were able to choose electives that gave variety to their highly structured school day.



Top: Freddie Rosario, Jackie Fischer, Becca Brown and Emily Porter classify rock samples based on their characteristics. Above: The first step in making peanut butter soup is to saute the onions as shown by Natazha Casaigne and Brianne Silva. Above Right: Language arts students compare and share their writing. Right: Math students confer with Ms. Baker after class.



Top Left: Reading student Aaron Whicker gets some one-on-one help from Mrs. O'Neill. Top Right: Mr. Foley encourages language arts students to write accurate Career Sketches which will go into their guidance folders. Above Left: Trumpeters Nick Panzlau and Matt Jolly participate in beginning band. Above Left: Sanding their nearly finished CD holders, Emily Porter, Scott Arnold, and Amy Stahl concentrate on a smooth finish. Above: Ms. Fiehler guides Tanisha Eaddy through a problem. Left: Geography students Brianne Silva and Wendy Miller work on a class project for Mrs. Trukositz.

FRIENDLIEST



John-Christian Bockman and Catarina Ribeiro



Nolan Whicker and Sarah Latshaw



Talia Cox and David Cook

friend (frénd) N. 1. A person who is known, liked, and trusted.



Ellen Ponson and Roger Baldwin



Adam Fellers and Corrine Callins



Erma Morgan and Kelvin Wilson

CLASS CLOWN



Lisa Barker and John-Christian Bockman



Jarrod Colquitt and Melissa Smith



Talia Cox and Brandon Hensley

clown (kloun) N. 1. A fun-loving jester who entertains by jokes, antics, and tricks.



Dawn James and Roger Baldwin



Jade See Tai and Martin Rockamore



Cory Bush and Tanisha Eaddy

BEST APPEARANCE



Nicole Fernandez and Daniel Rehm



Kris Forand and Sarah Latshaw



Amy Stahl and Fredric Rosario

ap•pear•ance (e-pir'ens) N. 1. The look of one who is attractive and dresses with style



Summer Brown and Angel Casaigne



Juan Casaigne and Candace Bacinski



Kelvin Wilson and Amber Miles

MOST ATHLETIC



Troy Arnold and Catarina Ribeiro

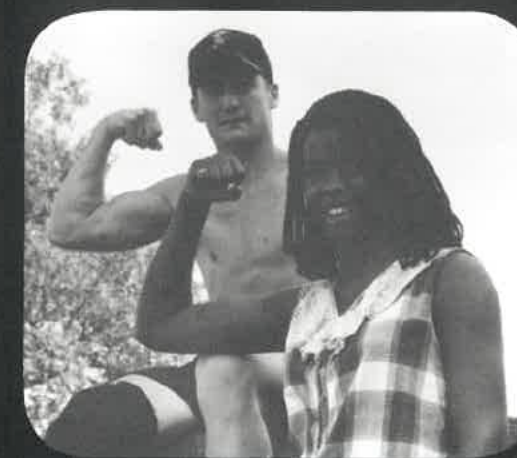


Sarah Latshaw and Kris Forand



Fredric Rosario and Amy Stahl

ath•lete (ath'let) N. 1. A person who possesses natural abilities for physical exercise and sports.



John Fissette and Summer Brown



Adam Fellers and Sparkle Brown



Kelvin Wilson and Nina Lynn

BIGGEST FLIRTS



Heather Fields and Ryan Ennis



Kris Forand and Kristi Brothers



Emily Porter and David Cook

flirt (flurt) N. 1. One who engages in playfully romantic teasing.



Ellen Ponson and Roger Baldwin



Chris Medina and Carolyn Fernandez



Nina Lynn and Matt Sloan

MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED



Lisa Barker and Jamie Masone



George Pargas and Kimiko Atkins



Charles Cahoon and Allyson Lohr

Success (sek-ses) N. 1. The accomplishment of a desired goal.



Roger Baldwin and Angela Forshee



Vladimire Marc-Charles and Larissa Mendes



JC Connelly and Christina Wankowski

FALCONS SHOW THEIR SPIRIT DURING HOMECOMING

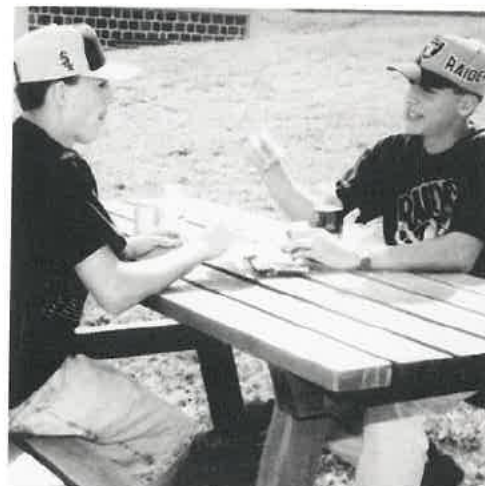


Top: Angel Casaigne looks for a receiver. Middle Left: The Court leads the dancing to the theme song, "Into the Mystic". Below: Eighth graders Jackie Fischer, Michelle Guindin, David Hession, Aaron Whicker, and Becca Brown aren't afraid to clash! Bottom Left: Falcon cheerleaders pep up the team at the football game. Bottom Right: 1994 Homecoming Queen and King Nicole Fernandez and Troy Arnold wear crown and scepter.

Seniors led the way through Spirit Week by wearing everything from pj's to 70's outfits. They barely squeezed by the eighth graders with a 2% margin. 7th graders stole the Spirit Stick from the 8th graders and the juniors were the victors of the high school cheering. Saturday's Falcon flag football game against Comm was a close match. Holding on to the very end, the Falcons lost by one heart-breaking point. Blue and gold balloons and streamers set the tone for the well-attended Homecoming Dance. Dancing to the theme, "Into the Mystic", students enjoyed the festive atmosphere of the Teixeira Golf Club.

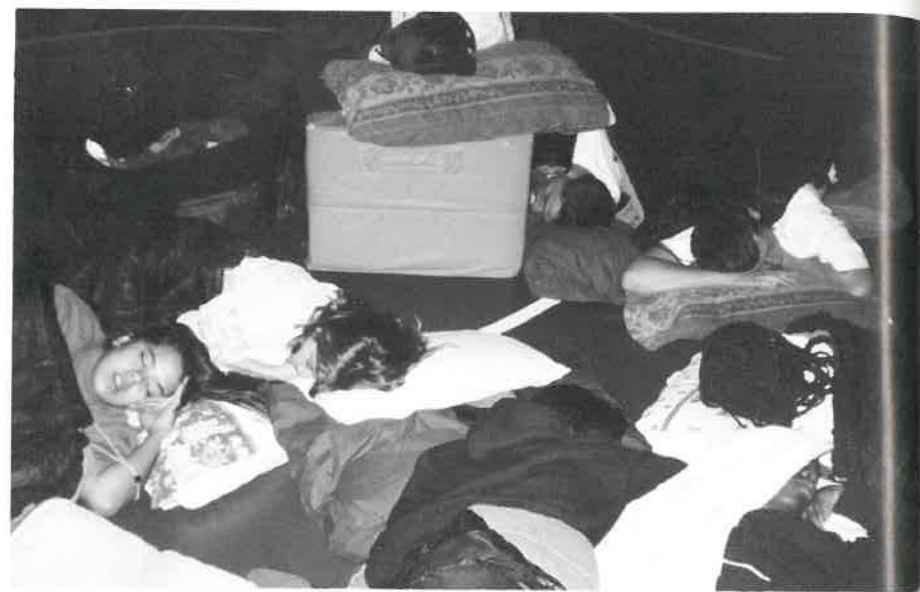


Top: Homecoming Court-Nicole Fernandez, Troy Arnold, Jamie Masone, J-C Bockman, Summer Brown, Angel Casaigne, Jody Paramore, Nina Lynn, Kris Forand, Kimiko Atkins, Juan Casaigne, Erica Keller, Fredric Rosario, and Amy Stahl. Top Right: Dawn James and Roger Baldwin give peace in their 70's outfits. Middle Right: Falcons are poised for the kick-off. Right: Raider fans Ryan Ennis and Dave Waters "sport" their spirit. Far Right: Seniors Michelle Bené and Troy Arnold make a sexy couple in the "Mr. and Mrs. Lajes" contest.



REGION CHANGE OPENS NEW DOORS FOR LAJES STUDENTS

Twelve volleyball team members and ten vocal students traveled to England in the first two of many off-island trips offered to LHHS students this year. Being a part of a new district in DoDDS-the United Kingdom-provided opportunities for involvement with other teenagers and the chance to experience a different culture.



Top: One of the joys of off-island trips is sleeping on the floor at Lakenheath High School. Middle Left: A ride on the River Thames gave Falcons a taste of London. Middle Right: Joining students from U.K. schools gave the chance to sing in a mass chorus. Above Left: Glad to be home, J-C Bockman poses in his "Mac-mode". Above: Volleyball team members celebrate a victory.

GUESTS PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENT AND EDUCATION



Visitors to Lajes were few and far between, but they were always welcomed. A dance group from El Paso, Texas, entertained and informed with old, Mexican folk customs through dance. Sister Gwen Amy, a gospel singer who presented a Gospel workshop at the base chapel came to school and worked with LHS music students. Sgt. Karen Lewis, an army recruiter, visited drama classes to share her experiences as a professional actress in Boston. These visitors and several others enriched Lajes High School students.



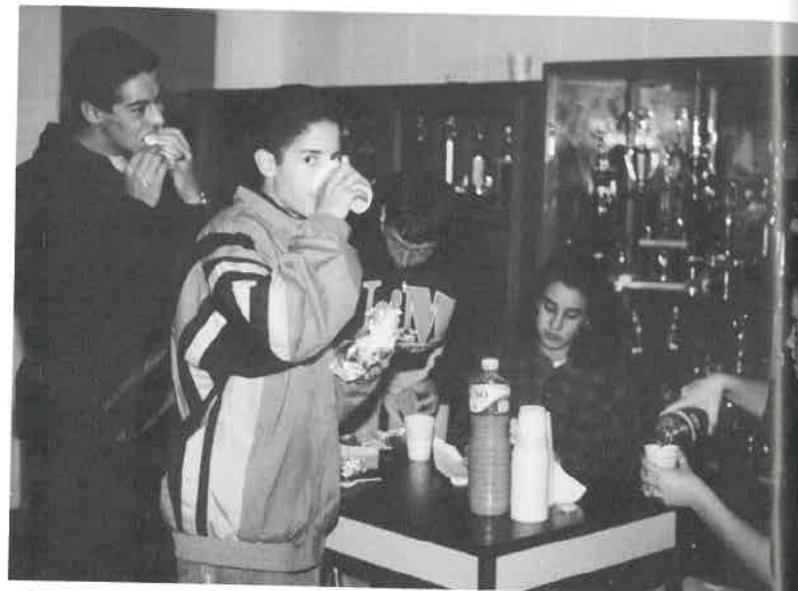
Top: Professional actress Karen Lewis shares real life experiences with drama students. Right: Folk dancers from El Paso, Texas, demonstrate many different styles of Mexican folk dancing. Above: Sister Gwen Amy drills Summer Brown, Khisha Gomes, and Dawn James on gospel singing techniques.

FLC PROMOTES CULTURAL AWARENESS

Promoting and enhancing culture awareness was a key motive behind Foreign Language Club's involvement in island activities. By combining students already interested in foreign languages with activities and fund-raisers, Foreign Language Club provided learning experiences and social interaction.



Top: Charles Cahoon, Lisa Barker, Dr. Gonzalez, Lindsey Summers, Allyson Lohr, J-C Bockman, Larissa Mendes, Nicole Fernandez, Jennifer Paterson, and David Waters. Above: During Hispanic Heritage Month, seniors won \$25 for their decorated door. Above Right: "Mmmm ... Yummy! Love those burritos! Dave Waters and Freddie Rosario enjoy breakfast burritos from a FLC fundraisers. Right: Members of FLC discuss their December shopping trip to Angra during a biweekly lunch-time meeting.



MATH COUNTS COMPETES IN ENGLAND

Staying after school, and coming back to school in the evenings, 7th and 8th graders prepared for the rigors of Math Counts competition. Endless warm-up sheets involving problem-solving challenged their minds. The four students who scored the highest on the local Math Counts contest traveled to England to compete at a higher level with students from the United Kingdom.



Above Left: Countless drills and practice sessions prepare students for competition. Far Left: Math Counts Team-Sara Robinson, Allyson Lohr, Anthony Rangel, and John Connelly. Left: Coach Baker assists runner-up Erma Morgan.

GEOGRAPHY BEE CHALLENGES SEVENTH GRADERS

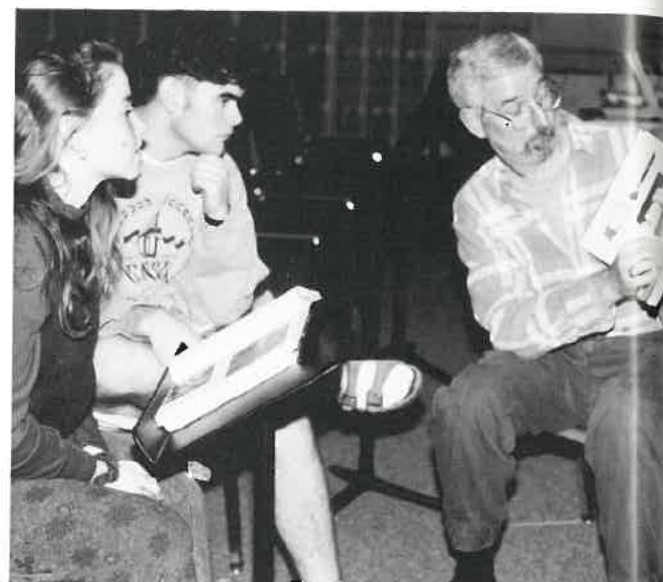


Above: Geography Bee Participants-Arthur Lipatan, Sara Robinson, Brian Smith, Anthony Rangel, Kristie Moser, John Connelly, Jody Paramore, Jessica James, Christina Wankowski, and Kristin Rusnak. Left: Arthur Lipatan has the "world in his hands" as he receives his certificate from Mrs. Trukositz.

After practice after practice after practice, ten quarter-finalists competed for the Geography Bee National Contest. Demonstrating their knowledge of world geography, they learned the give and take of winning and losing. After the bee, finalist Arthur Lipatan took a written test, making him eligible to compete with other DoDDS and U.S. winners.

LITTLE CLASSES OFFER STUDENTS MORE LEARNING

Small classes were not uncommon to LHS students. In fact, many of the classes had less than twenty. Because of limited scheduling and many course offerings, students were often confronted with taking a class they really didn't want. Fewer students were able to participate in certain classes due to their unavailability. Problems such as little class participation may have existed, but there certainly were no problems with students getting individual attention!



Top: Using the board as a teaching tool, Mrs. Traylor reviews the key events of 1994 with contemporary issues students Larissa Mendes and Will Whitehorn. Above: Using TI-81's, math analysis students work together. Above Right: Focusing on the Romantic Period, humanities students Lisa Barker and Dan Rehm listen to Mr. Bockman's instruction. Right: Portuguese students gather around Mrs. Falcao-Toste to discuss their previous test.



TALENT CAPTURED IN LHS PERFORMANCES

Small school settings, often present serious problems for the arts. Fewer students usually means less talent. Fortunately, Lajes had the best of both worlds. Performing at various school and base functions throughout the year, the LHS band and choir were able to demonstrate their talents not just for LHS, but for the entire base. Because of Mr. Bockman's dedication, and the hard work of the band and choir, music students were able to travel to England, perform for various base functions, and other "gigs" both in-school and out-of-school. LHS may have been short of students, but they weren't short of talent, dedication, or hard work.



Top: Dawn James directs the LHS choir at the Holiday Concert. Above: Choir students perform at the base Christmas service. Above Right: Performing for the Hispanic Heritage Month Banquet, the band plays festive Mexican music. Right: The LHS band provides a Prelude of Christmas songs for the chapel concert.



STUDENTS KEEP IN TOUCH WITH HOLIDAY SPIRIT

Christmas: the time for giving, caring, and most of all, having fun! Classes joined forces to create magical, colorful, and unique hallways, and Secret Santas surreptitiously surprised friends with small Christmas treats. Choir and band concerts and decorated classrooms added to the spirit of the season of giving, caring, and fun!



Above: Ms. Krom creates a festive mood with her "Christmassy" room. Top Right: Choir students joined with other groups in singing Christmas carols. Middle Right: In a candle-lighting service, LHS musicians joined the community in a Christmas celebration. Right: Band students pose by a "Charlie-Brown" Christmas tree decorated with music paraphernalia.



Top Left: Band and chorus students presented the annual holiday concert to a packed house. Middle Left: At the discovery of their Secret Santas, Heather Fields and Lisa Barker are all smiles. Above: Sophomore Santas show off their treasures. Left: As unique as the seniors themselves, the message of their winning hall was a "gift" to the world: "Save the Rain Forests."

STUDENT COUNCIL GENERATES SCHOOL SPIRIT AMONG STUDENTS

As representatives of the student body, Student Council members planned, organized, and worked to try to keep students involved and happy. StuCo conducted assemblies and kept a monthly calendar of upcoming events. Two big events were Homecoming and NFL Bingo. Both drew the majority of the students, and their enjoyment was obvious. StuCo also sponsored a Beach Party, Spirit Week, and Christmas-related activities.



Top Right: StuCo members pose on a windy day. Top Left: Munchin' on burgers and chips, John Fissette and Ashley Schmidt hang out at the Beach Party. Above Right: At the NFL Bingo, a 49ers hat is auctioned off for a good profit. Above: A Homecoming committee discusses plans during a sunny lunch. Right: Stu-Co President J-C Bockman gets a football signed by Greg Pruitt and Mike Babb for the NFL Bingo.

NHS/NJHS CONCENTRATES ON REACHING OUT TO OTHERS



Highly selective, the National Honor Society's strict rules guaranteed that its members would represent the school in the best way possible. Qualifications for membership were not only good grades, but NHS/NJHS members had to possess qualities of good character, demonstrate active leadership, and be involved in community service.

Advised by Mrs. Traylor, one of their goals was to establish pen pals with high school students in Kenya, Africa. By making contact, sharing and swapping ideas, it was hoped that in a small way NHS/NJHS members would narrow the gap between diverse cultures.

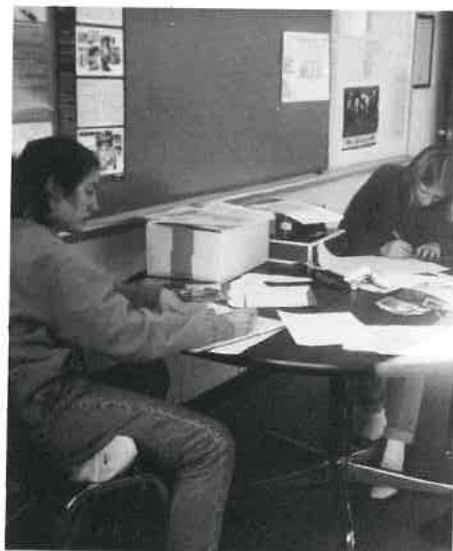


Top Left: NHS members consider a suggestion tossed up for discussion. Above Left: A service project took NHS members to a Praia nursing home to spread Christmas cheer. Above: Allyson Lohr, Jennifer Paterson, and Nicole Fernandez work on links for a Spirit Chain as a fund-raiser. Left: NHS/NJHS members are a smiling group!



PUBLICATIONS INFORM AND KEEP MEMORIES ALIVE

A tiny staff wrote copy, drew layouts, selected artwork, and sometimes even stressed-out over impending deadlines. While FALCON journalists worked with paper and pens and a dinosaur typewriter, the editors of THE CASTAWAY CHRONICLE created news from journalism class generated stories on computers. Together, the overlapping staffs created tangible memories to last a lifetime—memories of good friends and heart-warming experiences ranging from classroom routines to in-school clubs to sports teams and community involvement.

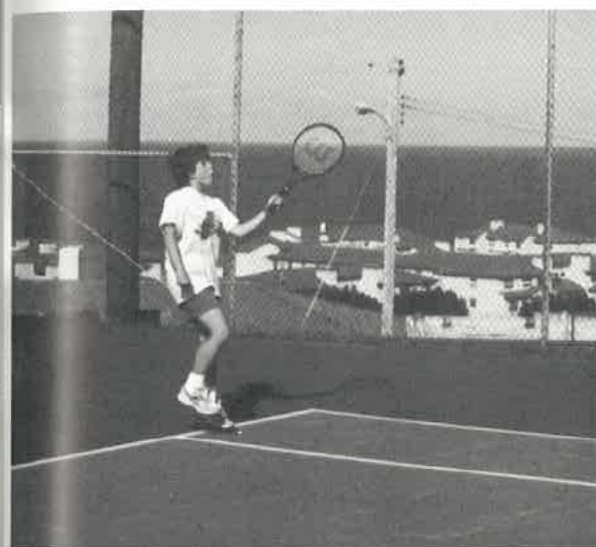


Top: Falcon staffers Khisha Gomes, Josh Brothers, Ryan Ennis, and Will Whitehorn select the best "mug-shots" and trim them for cropping. Above: Working after school, Mandy Fellers writes captions for the senior section while Michelle Bené draws a layout. Above Right: Drawing layouts and fitting copy take concentration as shown by Heather Fields and Ellen Ponson. Below Right: Castaway Chronicle editors Jennifer Paterson and Mandy Fellers decide on this edition's layout.

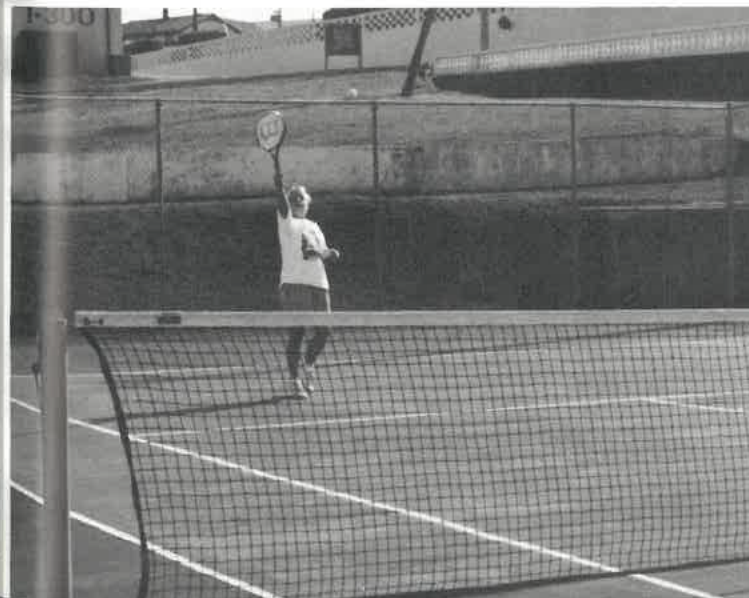


IMPROVING SKILLS: NO LOVE LOST IN TENNIS CLUB

Joining the tennis club gave students a head start in learning to play tennis. "It was relaxing, fun, a good way to be part of a group, and to meet others who like the sport," said Kristi Brothers, the tennis club president. After school on Fridays, members worked together, taught each other, and competed for ladder rankings. Competition was not the goal. Improving tennis skills and having fun was.



Top: Tennis Club—Dr. Gonzalez, Fredric Rosario, Amber Blakey, Kristi Brothers, Christina Wankowski, Amber Miles, Jessica James, Tanisha Eaddy, and Jody Paramore. Far Left: Kristi Brothers returns the serve and scores a game point. Left: Fredric Rosario and Kristi Brothers play on the base courts. Bottom Left: Christina Wankowski and Jessica James double up for a game. Below: Jody Paramore serves the ball.



FALCONS FINISH YEAR IN A BLAZE OF GLORY

The 1994 Falcons were as diverse a team as a coach could ever inherit. A unique blend of speed, experience, determination, and loyalty encircled a squad confident of following up a banner season with a better one. Academics and a catastrophic rash of injuries plagued the unit, and though their hopes for the playoffs were shattered, tenacity and spirit helped the Falcons end the season in a blaze of glory.

1994 Lajes Falcons Team Roster

#70 Roger Baldwin, DE/OL
#75 J-C Bockman, DE/OL
#61 Paul Compton, LB
#22 Ryan Ennis, WR
#2 John Fissette, QB
#11 Kris Forand, WR
#10 Sarah Latshaw, LB
#25 Vladimir Marc-Charles, OL
#74 Chris Medina, DE/WR
#84 Daniel Moser, K/CB
#81 George Pargas, LB
#34 Tony Plyler, CB
#31 Martin Rockamore, CB
#72 Scott Smith, DL/OL
#32 Sergio Umana CB/S
#21 David Waters, CB/WR
#83 Will Whitehorn, S
#85 Jade See-Tai, Manager
#65 Melissa Smith, Manager

Top: Roger Baldwin's season-ending knee injury sparked a number of setbacks for the Falcons. Middle: J-C Bockman and his dad reflect on a disappointing loss to COMM. Opposite: The team at court side during the team's lone pep rally.



1994 Lajes High Falcons

0-26	vs.	Med Group/EBS
0-32	vs.	MSSQ
6-22	vs.	Supply (Base Champions)
0-20	vs.	Civil Engineers
6-7	vs.	COMM (in Overtime)
6-14	vs.	AMSS
12-32	vs.	SPS
13-14	vs.	Transportation
7-5	vs.	OSS

Top left: Coach Rockamore instructs the offense during a time out against Med Group. To right: "A-G" Casaigne scores on a quarterback sneak against OSS. Middle: The Falcon "D" stops Med Group on downs. Left: Falcons pose exuberantly following pep rally.



Above: Sign of the times: One of the many spirited lockers during Homecoming. Top Right: Ryan Ennis and Coach Dixon are caught off guard while the rest of the team scrounges for flags. Right: Falcons' defense spectates while Dixon calls the play. Below: A-G's touchdown provides the margin of victory over OSS. Below Left: "Roc" and Kris Forand run a play in the dirt during the side lines of the Homecoming game.



Above Left: The Falcons look their very best for the Homecoming dance. Above right: Falcons storm the field following a long awaited victory over OSS. Middle: John Fissette eludes defenders in the open field. Above: Sarah Latshaw's grab stops COMM receiver at the goal line. Left: Coach Brown gives final instructions during a late game time-out.

FALCONS STAKE CLAIM AS "BIRDS OF PREY"

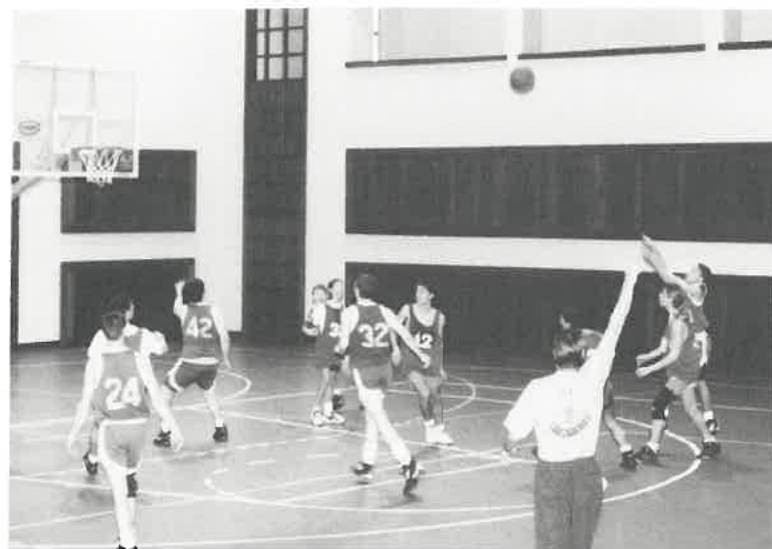
Unheralded, yet outspoken, the Lajes Falcons proved themselves as the best high school team on the island, with their play against the Portuguese being an overwhelming statement. Improved talent and speed made the team versatile, and their continued perseverance showed the Lajes airmen that they were a force to be reckoned with.



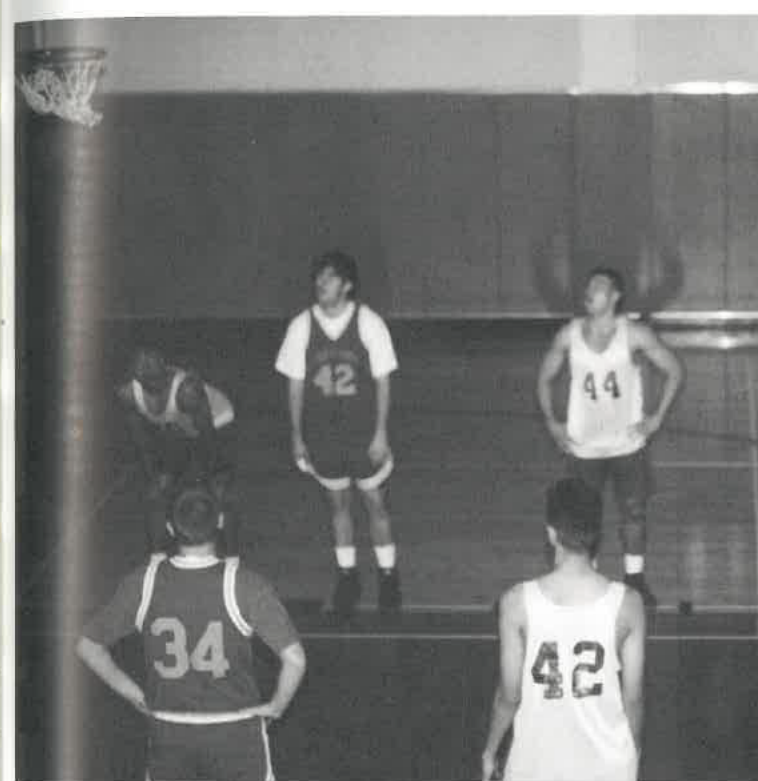
Above: Troy Arnold and Coach Masone watch the floor during a rare break from the action. Top Right: J-C Bockman spots a jumper while Tony Plyler positions beneath the basket. Middle: A-G Casigne runs the floor as the Falcons come back to start their attack. Right: Danny Rehm follows up his shot during an intramural matchup.



Top Left: John Fissette runs the baseline looking for the open shot. Middle Left: Dan Rehm launches a three-pointer against Supply. Above: The Falcons set up in their half-court offense. Top Right: John Fissette watches one in. Right Bottom: Troy Arnold wins the tip-off against Med Group.



Top Left: Juan Casaigne throws up a shot against the Praia team. Top Right: One on two-J-C Bockman tries to turn the corner on the defense. Above: Kevin Masone joins Falcons in shaving their heads for Falcon spirit. Right: Troy Arnold lays one up against Praia.



Top Left: John Fissette sinks a free throw against Med Group. Top right: Fissette is upended while defending the ball carrier. Above: Troy Arnold sinks a free throw while Falcons and COMM defenders watch. Opposite: The 1995 Lajes Falcons-Roger Baldwin, Mgr., Antonio Ribeiro, John Fissette, Angel Casaigne, Scott Smith, J-C Bockman, Troy Arnold, Danny Rehm, Danny Moser, Juan Casaigne, Chris Medina, Tony Plyler, Coach Masone.

Falcons Place In United Kingdom Tournament



Sweat beads over the body. Briskly running back for defense, the girls halt, adjust their spandex, and heave as the back is bent and hands are planted on the knees. A roar from the bench, "Hands up!" brings instant consciousness.

The Lady Falcons stirred up spirit. Starting the year thirteen players, departures of teammates eventually dwindled the team

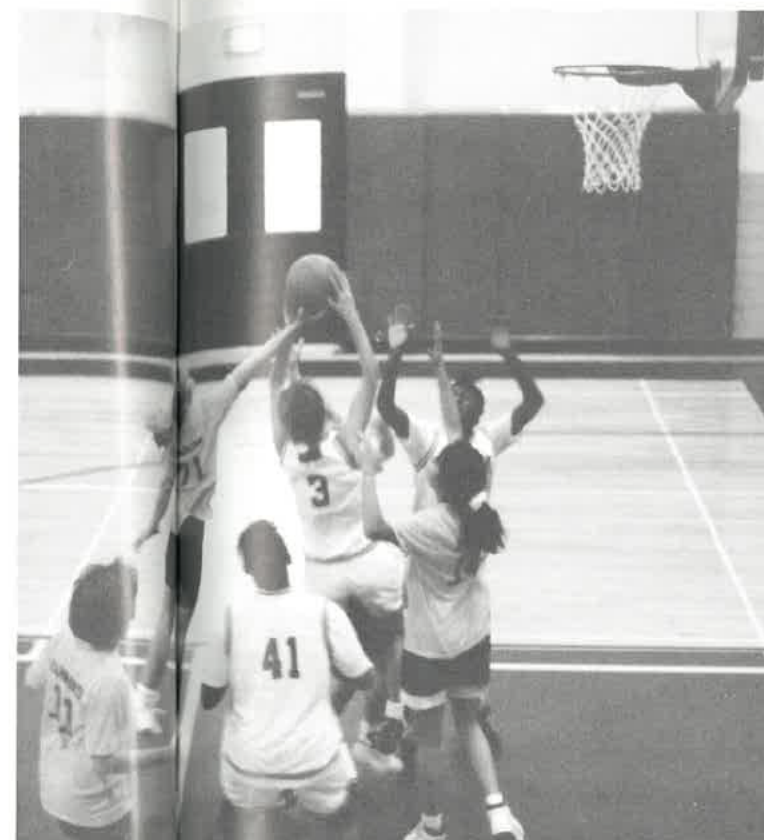
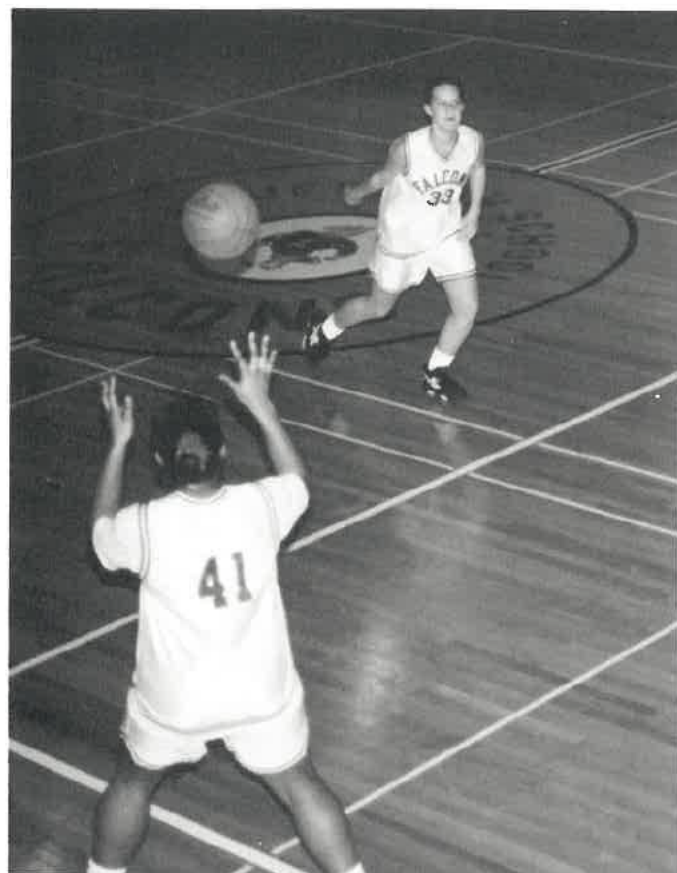
down to eight. Coach Klatt and Mgr. Lindsey Summers worked diligently to encourage the girls to seek improvement. The Falcons will to win led the girls to capture second place in a Christmas tournament, travel to England for a high school competition, and joyously (not to mention historically) beat Angra. Sweat may bead and fatigue may set, but Falcons will soar.



Above: Rachel Bruning takes her defender to the basket. Right: Getting focused, Shantel Burgess makes mental notes before a game.



Above: Basketball Team-Dawn James, Rachel Bruning, Khisha Gomes, Mgr. Lindsey Summers, Jamie Masone, Lisa Barker, Jennifer Paterson, Coach Klatt, Shantel Burgess, Roxy Paramore. Left: After a motivating speech from Coach Klatt, the Falcons huddle together.



Above: Rachel Bruning passes the ball to Dawn James on a fast break. Above Middle: Practicing lay-ups before a game, Jennifer Paterson takes it to the hoop. Above Right: Amongst many defenders, Jennifer Paterson battles for the rebound. Right: Handling the ball for the Falcons, Khisha Gomes looks for an open player.



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Above: "It's up ... it's in!" Khisha Gomes fires a three-point shot against SPs. Left: The Falcons hurry down the court to set up their offense.

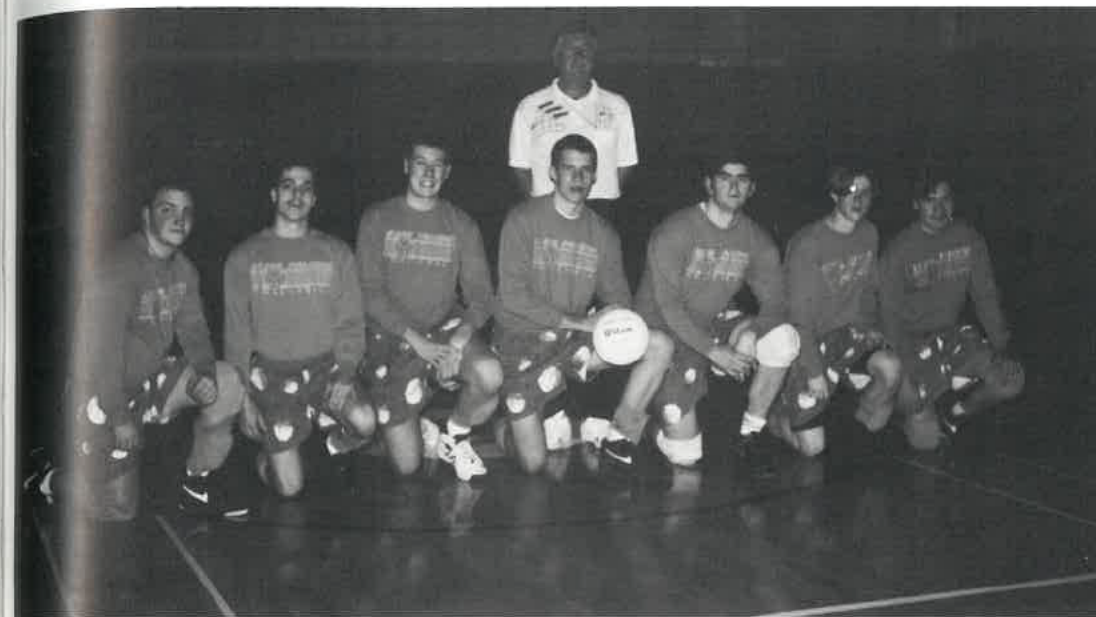
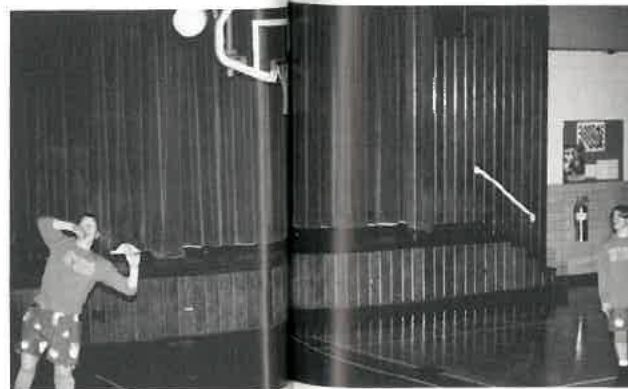
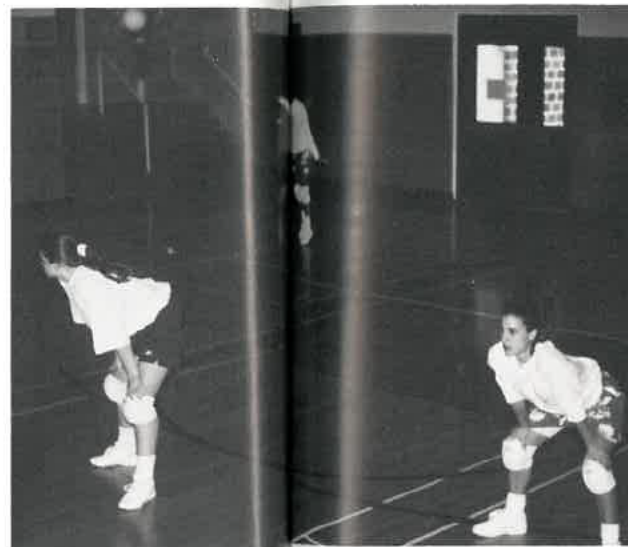
VOLLEYBALL TEAMS COMBINE TEAMWORK AND FRIENDSHIP

Girls volleyball got a headstart on the '95 season. Preparing and participating in an Atlantic Region tournament in England in October, the Falcons found useful practice, serious competition, and a memorable travel experience. They continued their practices every Sunday so the transition into the base league could be taken with ease. Senior Heather Fields expressed the result of months of hard work. "It felt good to be taken seriously. We not only met, but also posed a challenge."

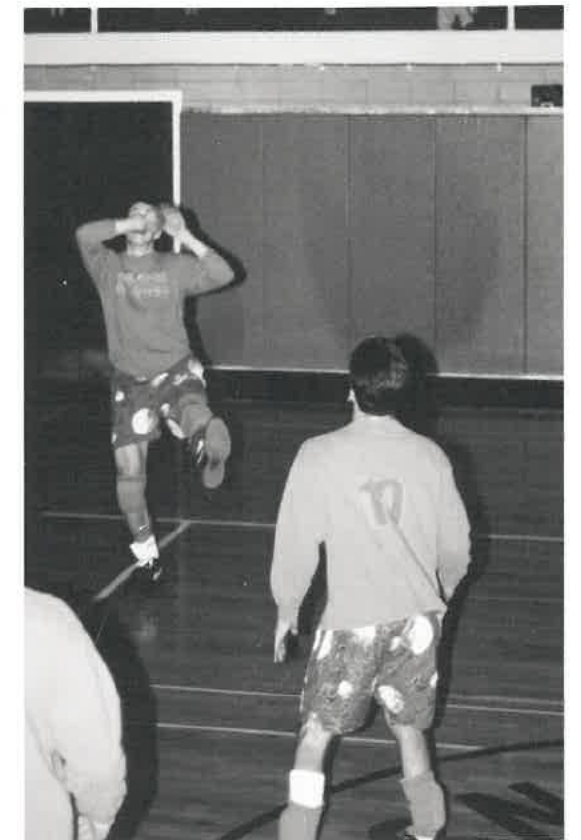
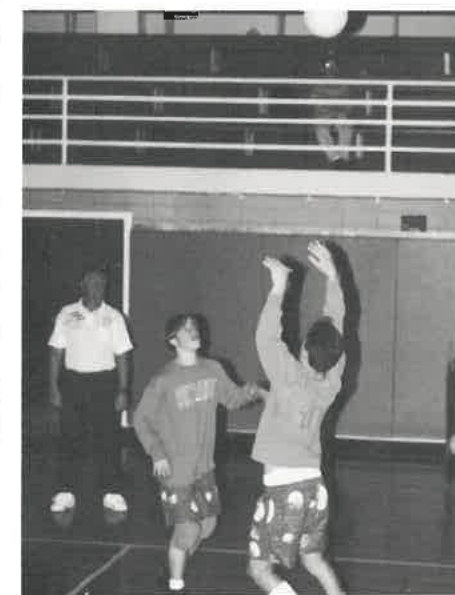
The boys volleyball team, composed of strong athletes, had its share of promising rookies. Junior John Fissette commented, "The volleyball team is basically the basketball team with knee pads; and just as in basketball, teamwork is what's important." Indeed, teamwork and friendship go hand-in-hand in Falcon sports-molding rookies into base contenders, and teammates into good friends.

VOLLEYBALL

Top: Girls Volleyball Team-Khisha Gomes, Nicole Fernandez, Summer Brown, Heather Fields, Dominique Collins, Dawn James, Ellen Ponson, Kimiko Atkins, Jamie Masone, Lisa Barker, Rachel Bruning, and Chay Rehm. Above Middle: Ellen, Heather, and Summer A.K.A. "the three musketeers". Above Right: A consistent underhand server, Jamie Masone sinks another one. Right: The Falcons await the serve. For Right: J-C Bockman moves into position after serving.



Left: Boys Volleyball Team-Roger Baldwin, Ryan Ennis, JC Bockman, Troy Arnold, Danny Rehm, Tony Plyler, George Pargas, Coach Masone. Below Middle: Roger Baldwin bumps the ball perfectly for a set. Below: Powerfully, Troy Arnold spikes the ball. Below Left: Tony Plyler looks alert as Ryan Ennis sets the ball.



FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS PROMOTE SPIRIT BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS PROMOTE FALCON PRIDE

In order to become a cheerleader, each girl had to try out in front of a group of coaches and parents. They were judged for their gymnastic ability and their demonstrated spirit. To stay on the squad, each had to maintain passing grades and have a willingness to represent the school with spirit and pride. Practicing every afternoon, the Falcon Football Cheerleaders worked on cheers and stunts for upcoming games.



Top: During the LHS football pep rally, the cheerleaders lead the school in the spirit stick contest. Above: Lindsay Summers, Tracey Lewis, and Christina Kingsbury show their spirit by wearing their uniforms on game day. Middle Right: During halftime, the cheerleaders perform for the supportive Homecoming fans. Right: Football Cheerleaders-Roxie Paramore, Sparkle Brown, Erica Keller, Tracey Lewis, Christina Kingsbury, and Lindsay Summers.



Jumping, cheering, and yelling for the "little angel on the rim" to help the teams, cheerleaders supported both the boys and girls basketball teams. "I enjoyed cheering for the basketball games. I loved it when the crowd participated with us, too," said Ellen Ponson. "We all enjoyed cheering."



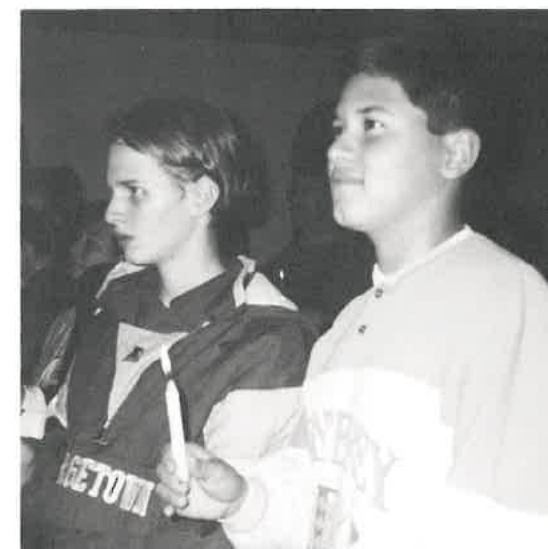
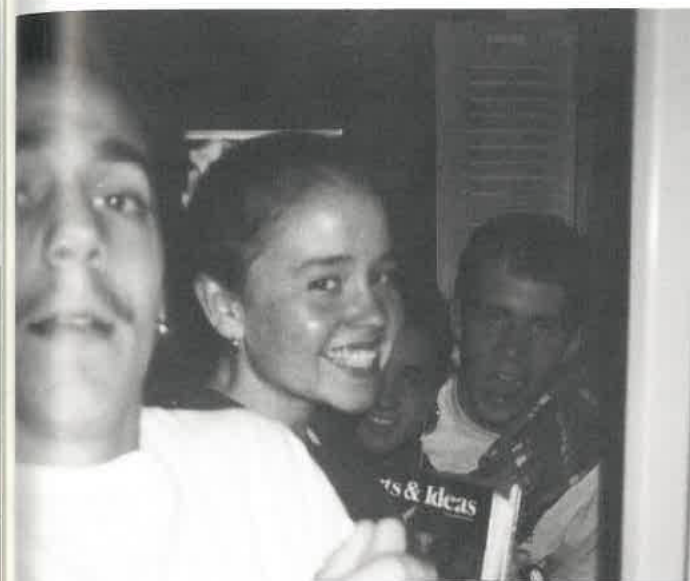
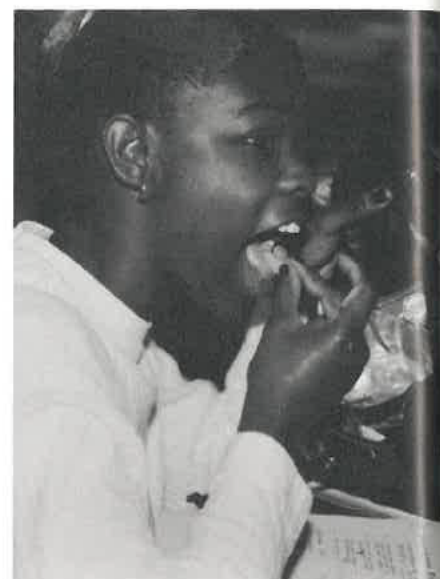
Top Left: The squad executes a pony-mount. Top Right: "Please don't drop me!" prays Ellen Ponson. Middle: "Ready! Hit it!" scream the basketball cheerleaders. Above: Hours of practice produce a perfect lift. Left: Basketball Cheerleaders-Kimiko Atkins, Captain Heather Fields, Sonya Vaughn, Ashley Schmidt, Christina Kingsbury, and Ellen Ponson.



Top Left: Freshmen Erica Keller and Tracey Lewis gossip at their lockers. Top Right: Are the seniors really so "laidback"? Middle Left: Family and faculty support the football team. Above: Sophomores Christina Kingsbury, Jennifer Paterson, and Sarah Latshaw prepare subs for a fund-raising activity. Left: Early graduate Mandy Fellers is treated to a mock-graduation complete with cap and gown, flowers, punch, cake, and gifts.



Top Left: Angela Forshee and Tony Plyler's lockers depict their individuality. Top Right: Yearbook staffers Heather Fields and Josh Brothers enjoy their labors. Middle Left: With his handmade quilt, John Fissette is ready for cool Azorean nights. Middle: David Waters and Sarah Latshaw chat for a few minutes before a game. Above: After decorating their hall, 7th graders take a deserved break. Left: Mr. and Mrs. Lajes contestants parade.



Top Left: Volleyball team members tease their friends back home by eating at BK. Top Right: Mrs. Harris-Mota checks the quality of Khisha Gomes' handmade quilt. Above Left: "Ah Dios mios!" Dr G. Tries to get the attention of intramural soccer players. Above Right: Summer Brown sneaks a chip in U.S. History class. Right: Working for the best grade possible, James Caron, Angel Casaigne, and Sergio Umana compute math problems.



Top Left: "My chips for your cookies!" Dawn James and Sonya Vaughn do business during lunch. Top Right: Falcon team members look on in hopes of winning the game. Middle Left: Smiling, fun-loving Seniors break at their lockers. Above: Josh Blundell and Jay Barreto share a moment of silence at the Christmas candle light service. Left: Lajes students attentively listen to words of advice from ex-NFL players Greg Pruitt and Mike Baab.

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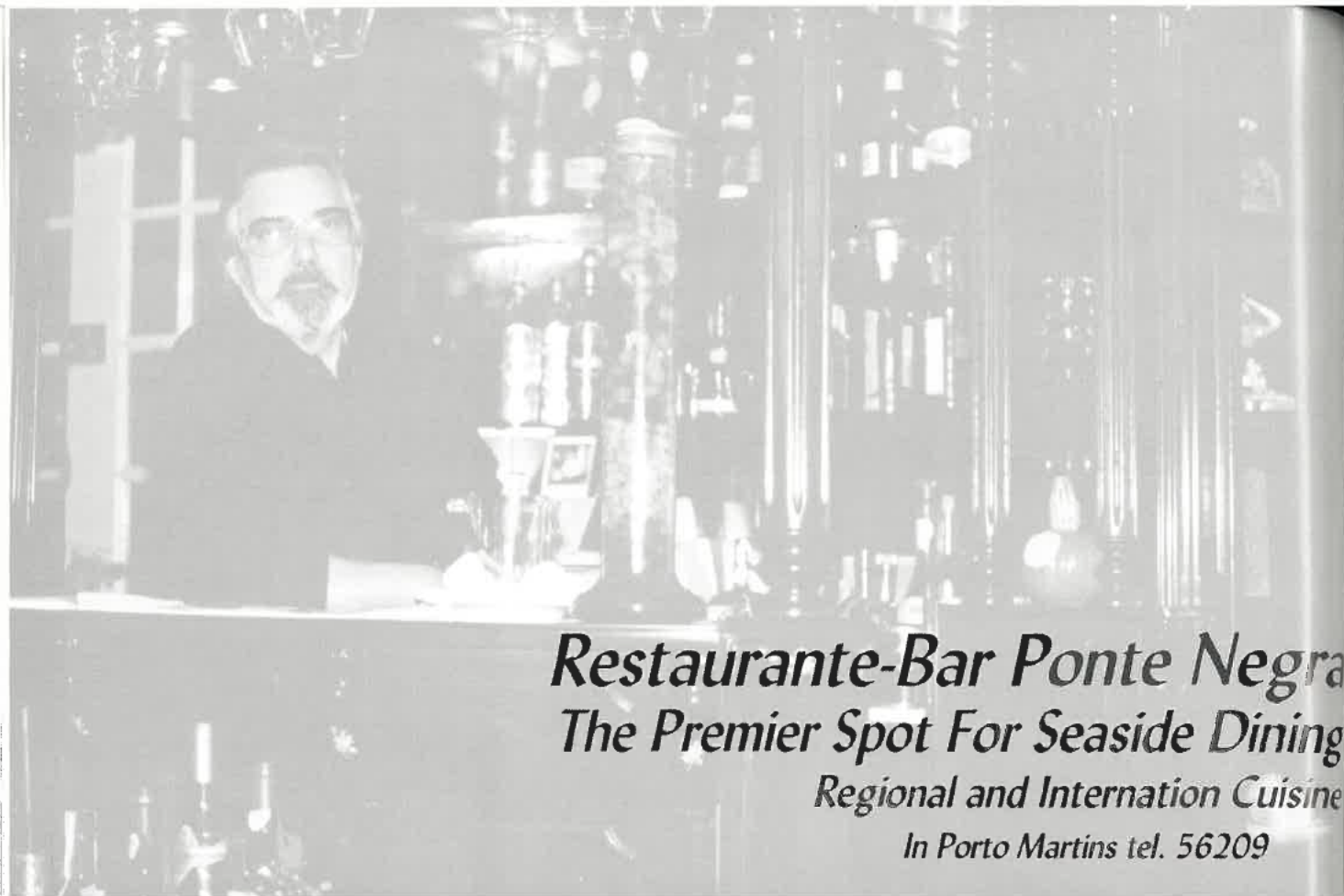
Good Luck!

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it as though you would be in fear of losing it.**

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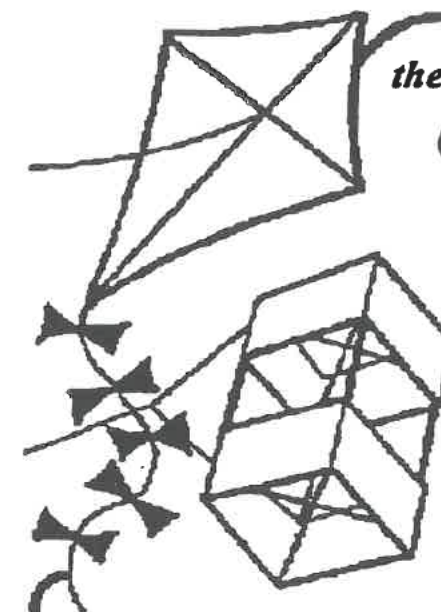




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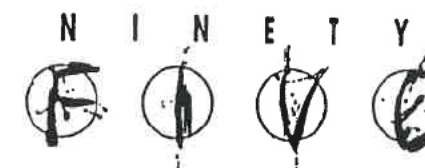
*These were the wanderers and the wonderers,
Those who chose to not only live, but thrived.
Peekers and ponderers,
they not only dreamed, but strived.*

*Climbing, growing,
reaching, teaching,
exploring, soaring,
earning, learning.*

*Burning, yearning,
crying, trying,
living, loving,
playing, saying:*

*"If something is new, we must know it.
If someone is doubtful, we must show 'em.
If something is bound, we must free it.
If someone needs encouragement, carpe diem."*

Peace be their journeys.



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BOYS AND GIRLS BASKETBALL TEAMS TRAVEL TO ENGLAND FOR COMPETITION

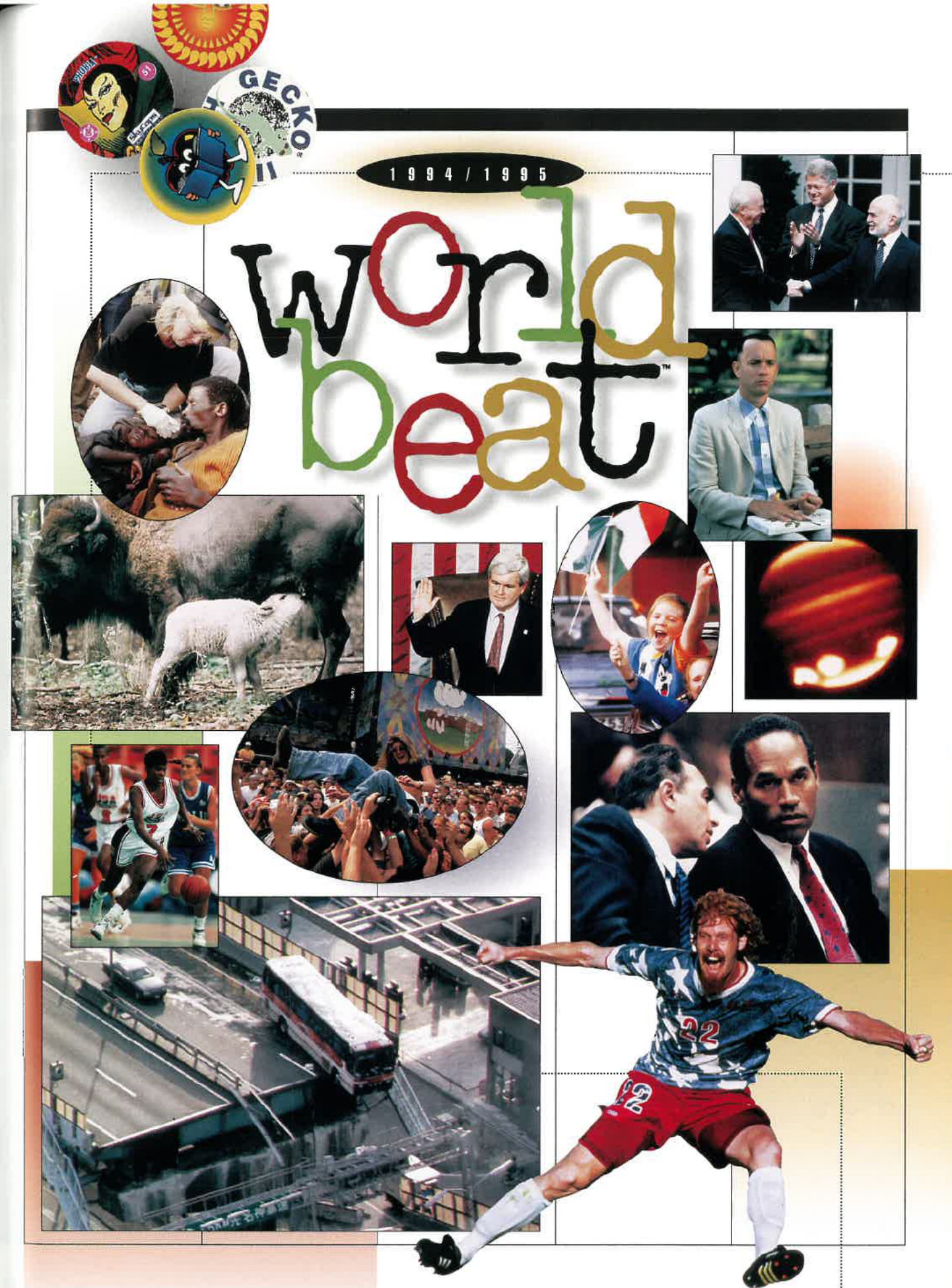


Top Left: Rarin' to go! Spirited Falcons have high hopes. Top Right: Troy Arnold and J-C Bockman celebrate Troy's MVP medalion. Middle Left: Touring Warwick Castle was an extra treat for Falcons. Above: Besides seeing Shakespeare's birthplace, Falcons saw the Stratford-Upon-Avon's McDonalds. Far Left: Tony Plyer gets out on good behavior. Left: A nightly ritual, team-members gathered to talk about their day.



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Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein orders his troops to the border of oil-rich Kuwait. The U.S. sends 350 warplanes to the area to support the Kuwaiti forces. By October 11, Hussein orders the withdrawal of most of his forces.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin calls out his poorly trained military to subdue a rebellion in Chechnya, a southern republic the size of Connecticut. Critics accuse Yeltsin of resorting to totalitarian methods of the old communist Soviet regime to keep the shaky Russian Federation unified.

Europe's worst flood in this century kills at least 30 people across Europe. Inland floods caused by melting Alpine snow and relentless rains hit Belgium, France, Germany, and the Netherlands, whose famous dike system begins to crumble late in January 1995 in the face of rampaging rivers. Dutch authorities evacuate 250,000 people from the lowlands.

Camilla Parker Bowles, allegedly Prince Charles' mistress, announces her divorce from her husband, Andrew Parker Bowles. Princess Diana is said to be negotiating a divorce from Charles, who will be free to remarry without giving up the throne—unless unhappy subjects force a referendum on the monarchy.

More than 900 passengers die, 140 are rescued when the Estonia, a 15,500-ton Baltic ferry sinks off the coast of Finland in a violent nighttime storm. The storm's 30-foot waves swamp the ship which lists and sinks in a matter of minutes.

World News



After a peasant uprising in Chiapas and two major political murders, Mexico gets a new president. Ernesto Zedillo, an economist, assumes office only to face a stockmarket crash, a ruined economy, and a loss of international confidence in the wake of the North American Free Trade Agreement.



On July 25, U.S. President Bill Clinton welcomes King Hussein of Jordan, right, and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to the White House, where the two sign a historic nonaggression pact that ends a 46-year state of belligerency between Israel and Jordan.



Conservative religious groups and those who believe in individual rights clash over issues of education for women and family planning at the U.N. International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Egypt, September 5.



Joyful residents of Belfast celebrate after the Irish Republican Army (IRA) announces an end to its military operations in Northern Ireland as of August 31. After 25 years of British military presence and over 3,000 killings, the IRA says it will now seek Irish union only through political channels.



When their Army helicopter accidentally strays into North Korea in December, Chief Warrant Officers Bobby Wayne Hall and David Hilemon are shot down by the communists. Washington does not admit to espionage as the North Koreans want, but negotiates for survivor Bobby Hall's release by expressing its sincere regret over the intrusion.



Tipper Gore, wife of U.S. Vice President Al Gore, visits Rwandan refugee camps in Zaire in July. Thousands of refugees, fleeing ethnic conflict in Rwanda, die of cholera, dysentery, and other infectious diseases. Fresh water supplied by the United States military greatly reduces the number of cholera deaths.

Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasir Arafat returns to Palestine in July 1994 after 27 years of exile in Tunisia. Arafat kisses the ground in the Gaza Strip, now a Palestinian autonomous zone under the terms of a 1993 peace accord with Israel.



Millions of South Africans travel weary hours and wait in mile-long lines to vote in the first all-race elections. After more than a century of white rule, the voters choose former political prisoner Nelson Mandela to preside over the dismantling of apartheid.

Jimmy Carter, former U.S. president and self-styled global troubleshooter for peace, negotiates on behalf of the U.S. in Haiti, Bosnia, and North Korea. He even offers to help settle the baseball strike.



In Japan, an earthquake with a magnitude of 7.2 collapses buildings, derails trains, buckles elevated expressways, and causes fires throughout the city of Kobe. Over 5,000 people are killed and 26,000 injured. The Japan quake occurs January 17, 1995, one year to the day after a quake devastated Los Angeles.



U.S. President Bill Clinton, right, and British Prime Minister John Major take part in ceremonies in June 1994 at a military cemetery during the 50th anniversary commemoration of the Allied D-Day invasion of Europe, the event that sealed the fate of Nazi Germany during World War II.



India suffers an outbreak of pneumonic plague, carried by flea-infested vermin. Workers in Bombay earn five rupees for each exterminated rat; one thousand rat-tails earns a color TV.

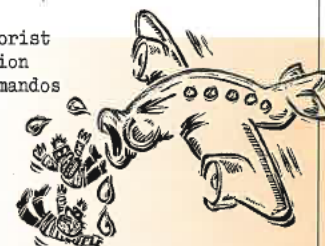


Chinese school children, dressed to look like Colonel Sanders, welcome the president of Kentucky Fried Chicken to Shanghai in May 1994. Few of the country's many foreign business ventures thrive, but KFC becomes a Chinese favorite. The finger-lickin' enterprise makes plans to expand its outlets from 28 to 200.

Triumphant Jean-Bertrand Aristide reclaims his position as president and restores democracy to Haiti with the help of U.S. troops. Haiti had suffered under the rule of a military junta led by General Raoul Cedras, who goes into exile after reaching an agreement with U.S. mediators.



In one of the most successful antiterrorist operations in aviation history, French commandos storm an Air France jet-liner and kill four Algerian hijackers, freeing the plane's 173 passengers and crew.



Thousands of Cubans flee their economically depressed homeland, hoping for a better life in America. Many set off on homemade rafts and other small vessels only to be intercepted by the U.S. Coast Guard. The United States and Cuba reach an agreement in September that allows 20,000 Cuban immigrants to enter the United States each year.

In the wake of the 1994 Los Angeles earthquake and the southern California wildfires of 1993, California experiences more natural disasters in January 1995 when rainstorms cause flooding that kills 11 people and leaves 3,000 others homeless. Flooding is so high in Santa Barbara, fun-seeking teenagers dive off a freeway overpass into 15 feet of water. President Clinton declares 34 counties federal disaster areas.

In 1994, the U.S. registers a one-year population growth of 2.7 million. One-third of the increase is due to immigration, the largest such influx since 1914.

Author and humanities professor, Ralph Ellison, dies at age 80. His 1952 novel, *Invisible Man*, has been called the most powerful novel written about alienation, identity, and racism in America.

A huge increase in killings by 14- to 24-year-olds raises the nation's homicide rate, while violence blamed on preteens rocks communities nationwide. A boy, 13, is sentenced to life for strangling a four-year-old. In Chicago, an 11-year-old boy kills a 14-year-old girl and is then executed by his own gang. In Washington state a pair of 12-year-olds shoot a migrant worker.

National News

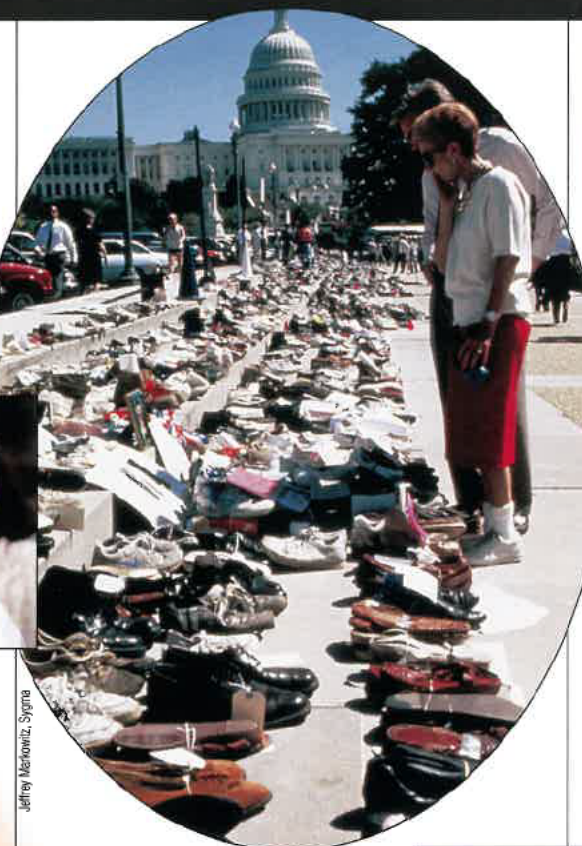
The death of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis in May 1994 marks the end of an era, a time when America was prosperous, fighting for civil rights, and heading for the moon. The former first lady is buried next to her husband, President John F. Kennedy, in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C.



Called the Republican revolution, November mid-term elections put the Republican party and its anti-big government platform in control of Congress for the first time in 40 years. Georgia's Newt Gingrich, author of the GOP's "Contract with America," is the new Speaker of the House.



Heat, drought, and lightning combine to set Western states ablaze in late June and July. Fires consume 2,000 acres in Colorado's South Canyon when 50 mile-an-hour winds whip the flames into a firestorm, killing 14 specially trained firefighters; 10 men and four women.



Jeffrey M. Korman, Sygma

The volunteers for Silent March bring shoes from every state for one of the quietest demonstrations to ever take place in Washington, D.C. Each empty pair of shoes represents one of the more than 40,000 Americans who have been killed by handguns.

Despite powerful National Rifle Association lobby efforts, Congress passes a crime bill banning the sale of 19 types of assault weapons. The Brady Law goes into effect; in one month 23,610 people with criminal records are denied the purchase of a handgun.



AP/Wide World



The prosecution seeks the death penalty in the case of Susan Smith, who dupes the nation with a frightening tale of the abduction of her two little boys. The community's early support grows quickly to hatred when Smith confesses to murder—she sent her children to their deaths at the bottom of a lake.



George Grell, Gamma Liaison



The U.S. Food and Drug Administration blasts the tobacco company executives at a congressional hearing in March 1994 for denying that nicotine, a drug found in cigarette smoke, is addictive. Tobacco industry workers fear losing their jobs if the FDA succeeds in classifying and restricting cigarettes as a drug.



Walter, Gamma Liaison

The Flint River overflows, washing coffins out of a Georgia cemetery after torrential rains from tropical storm Alberto flood Georgia and the Florida-Alabama panhandle. Thirty-two people die, 40,000 are temporarily homeless, and 10,000 square miles are underwater, causing \$100 million in crop damage.

The 37th U.S. President, Richard Nixon, dies in April 1994. Nixon was responsible for restoring normal ties with the People's Republic of China following the signing of the Shanghai Communique in 1972.



Rock Photo, The Associated Press

A rare white buffalo named Miracle draws crowds to the humble Wisconsin farm where it was born August 20. Native Americans believe the calf is the fulfillment of a Lakota Sioux prophecy. Five hundred years ago, White Buffalo Woman told her people that she would return as a white calf to usher in a new age of harmony between all races of mankind.

President Clinton, with Republican leader Bob Dole, signs legislation implementing the U.S. role in an expanded General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), one of the most sweeping trade liberalization pacts in history. The legislation makes the U.S. a member of a new 125-member World Trade Organization. Protectionists worry that GATT may promote world trade but won't sufficiently protect American jobs.



Reuters/Gamma

Former football star O.J. Simpson is charged with the June 12th stabbing death of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman, causing a non-stop media avalanche. The sensational case familiarized watchers with spouse abuse, a televised ride in a white Ford Bronco, "Kato" Kaelin, and DNA testing. Simpson faces the jury in January.



Ted Spingarn, Black Star



The Secret Service considers restricting public access to the White House after a gunman fires 27 rounds at the building's facade in October. In September, a small Cessna airplane crashes on the South Lawn and comes to rest at the base of the White House below President Clinton's bedroom, killing the pilot.

The U.S. Interior Department protects the bald eagle from its endangered species list in the less critical "threatened" category. The Pacific Northwest's spotted owl is left to fend for itself until June 6, when a federal judge lifts the 1991 injunction that halted logging in the owl's habitat.

The fossil of a previously unknown dinosaur, the 25-foot-long Cryolophosaurus ellisoni, is found in Antarctica.

Despite a so-called fitness craze, the National Center for Health Statistics confirms the American overabundance of food combined with a sedentary lifestyle is creating an epidemic of obesity. Since 1980, the number of overweight adults has ballooned to one-third of the population, with an alarming increase among children.

Some of the 599 newly revealed secret ingredients major cigarette-makers add to improve taste and texture: beeswax, butter, carrot oil, citronella oil, cocoa shells, corn silk, dandelion root extract, 31 chemicals that start with ethyl, oak chip oil, vinegar, and dimethyltetrahydrobenzofuranone.

Three planets are discovered orbiting a pulsar star 3,000 light-years away in the constellation Virgo. One is the size of the moon and two are three times more massive than Earth; all are rocky worlds without an atmosphere.

Science News



NASA's space shuttle mission 28S tests the operations of a Simplified Aid For Extravehicular Activity Rescue (SAFAR) device. Crew member Mark Lee maneuvers successfully outside the Discovery, while Carl Meade photographs him against the background of Earth.

Martin Rodbell and Alfred Gilman are awarded the 1994 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for developing a model of cell communication that has medical implications from cholera to cancer.

The Food and Drug Administration institutes new food labeling on almost all foods in response to consumer protest against the many misleading claims of food producers. The new readable labels provide realistic serving sizes, list calories from fat, and allow you to compare different nutrient values.



Autostereograms, popularly known as Magic Eye, cause legions of people to stare cross-eyed for long periods of time. Based on a mystery of neurology and 3-D objects, pattern elements fuse into left-eye and right-eye images of a single hidden object which appears to be floating.



The century's greatest chemist and antinuclear activist, Linus C. Pauling, winner of the Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1954 and the Nobel Peace Prize in 1962, dies at the age of 93. His work on DNA laid the foundation for Crick and Watson's discovery of the double helix.



In Ethiopia, anthropologists discover the skull of a human ancestor, Australopithecus ramidus, 4.4 million years old. The new species has features midway between apes and humans and promises to provide clues to still earlier evolutionary stages.

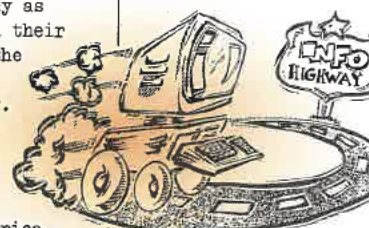


Japan's "Love Love Simulation" computer program allows couples to take a non-scientific look at future offspring by digitally combining their own photos to predict a child's appearance.

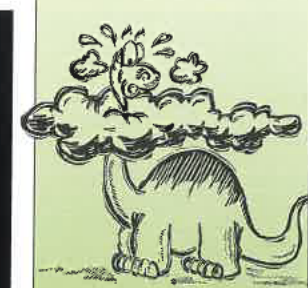


Astronomers wait at every major telescope in the world to see the historic cosmic crack-up of the 21 big fragments of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 as it smacks into the atmosphere of Jupiter at 134,000 miles an hour. Plumes of fire shoot up hundreds of miles, high enough to become visible to telescopes on Earth.

Internet activity rises sharply as surfers find their way around the information superhighway. Advertisers, rock music reviewers, the worldly Voice of America, and others decide it's time to jump on.



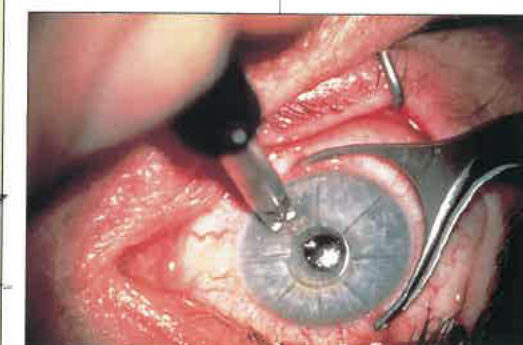
One of Lake Superior's enduring mysteries is solved by scientists and marine historians who explore the wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald, an ore carrier that sank with its crew in a 1975 storm. The ship, overused and in poor condition, was ripped apart by 90-mph winds and 30-foot waves. Most of the 29 crewmen are entombed inside the wreckage, well preserved in the 39° waters.



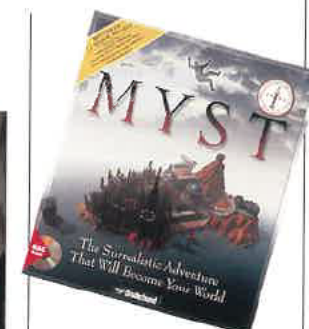
NASA publishes a new report supporting the theory that a giant comet hit Earth 65 million years ago and vaporized 100 billion tons of sulphur to create the cloud barrier that froze Earth's atmosphere and killed the dinosaurs.



A cave is found in southern France, full of 300 vivid paintings of woolly-haired rhinos, bears, mammoths, panthers, and owls made about 20,000 years ago. The Stone Age artists also left behind bear skulls, flint knives, footprints, and fireplaces. Experts call it the archaeological find of the century.



A long-term study of radial keratotomy finds it generally safe and effective. For the nearsighted, tiny spokelike incisions into the eye improve focusing ability and eliminate the need for eyeglasses. The patient is awake for the procedure.



The non-violent CD-ROM game Myst by Cyan, Inc. becomes a best-selling phenomenon, winning legions of devoted fans and spawning imitators. The fantasy-adventure's graphic visuals are hyper-real; the written word is the key to the mystery.



Cutbacks in military spending force the U.S. Navy to reduce its elite 100-dolphin fleet trained for use in sonar research, mine sweeping, and underwater recovery. Too tame to be released in the open sea, the veterans of conflicts from Vietnam to the Persian Gulf retire to aquariums and water parks.

The most popular names for newborns this year are Ashley and Michael.

Young people serve their country by volunteering under a new program called AmeriCorps, where 20,000 people aged 17 and up work with community-based organizations in exchange for \$7,500 plus money toward college tuition or loans.

One percent of the nation's 60 million school-age children learn at home as families seek alternatives to public schools. In a handful of high-tech experiments, kids submit homework by modem, download books and art work from the Internet, and collaborate on academic projects with other children around the world.

A survey of college kids reveals their favorite sources of sugar and caffeine during all-night studying to be: powdered iced tea, peanut butter mixed with marshmallow cream, baby food, ramen noodles, raw cookie dough, and trail mix made from chocolate chips, graham cracker bits, and mini-marshmallows.



A lively new cafe society centers around the 5,000 gourmet coffeshops which spring up around the country. To the often young and trendy patrons, the social interaction is just as important as the espresso. Some cafes offer full-time Internet links so patrons can sip and chat with other Internet latte-drinkers.



Yoga, a Hindu system of stretching exercises for well-being, surges in popularity, mostly because the older generation seeks a technique for alleviating stress and finds yoga better than aerobics.



Aerobic boxing, with boxing-style leg and arm work, turns out to be one of the year's hot exercise trends, showing up in workout studios and attracting those who want to work off their aggression by throwing a right and a few jabs.



Besides recycled clothing like license-plate bustiers, bottle-cap jewelry, trash-bag and duct-tape dresses, fashion trends include the schoolgirl look with thigh-highs, and the grunge-turned-beatnik look of long, straight hair and a goatee.

A new survey shows that over 12 million Americans are vegetarians, choosing the no-meat lifestyle because of concern about animal cruelty, cost-efficiency, eco-friendliness and/or improved health and fitness.



The hottest merchandise around is Mighty Morphin Power Rangers, so hot Cabbage Patch dolls pale in comparison. Parents criticize Fox's super-violent TV show, but their kids crave Dragon Daggers, Megazords, and the 4-foot, \$230 battery powered car. "Go, go, Power Rangers!"



A hot new collectible derives from an old household item. Milk caps, known in some regions as pogs, originally capped the bottles left by the milkman but have now gone funky with colorful printed designs and variations that are traded and used in games.



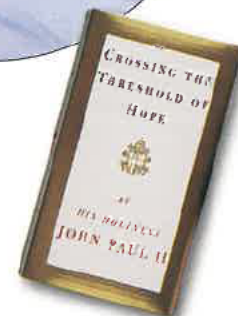
Although most are forced to settle for Oakley wrap-arounds, stylin' kids, like in-line skaters and urban youth, clamor for Arnet's \$80 Ravens with the silver-chrome frames.

Led by brash young skate and surf types, two million snowboarders nationwide discover the joy of swooping down slopes on one board instead of two. No hard boots, no poles, no crossed tips, make it easier than skiing. Since their giant frozen wave is a ski hill, snowboarders annoy old-style skiers who want their slopes left undisturbed by shredders.



Nathan Bilow/Allsport

The first generation to ignore colas in favor of fruit drinks, today's young people give Snapple popular cult status. The trend breeds juice wars as Snapple imitators like Fruitopia vie for youth market shares and inundate the airwaves with Generation X-type advertising.

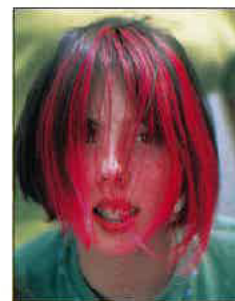


Pope John Paul II authors *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, a blend of theology, evangelizing and personal reminiscence. It becomes a best-seller in 35 countries.



Jacques Charet, Gamma Liaison

Remaining a virgin in the face of peer pressure finds new respect among teens who defend their freedom to forgo sex in a sex-crazy world. The movement is both a demand for real love and a reaction against unwanted pregnancy and health risks, since today one out of four kids are infected with sexually transmitted diseases by the age of 21.



Will and Deni McIntyre/Photo Researchers

Kool-Aid makes a cheap hair-dye, an alternative to bleached hair with, say, Prizm Blue added for sheen. The "city fade" shaves the sides of your head and leaves the top longer, and the matted hair look is achieved by leaving the soap in and forgetting to comb.



Reed Williams, Animals/Animals

The designer pets of the year are African pigmy hedgehogs, and some 3,000 find homes with humans. They are gentle, like to be petted, and need a once-a-day feeding of pet food or mealworms. They don't smell and will even eat your roaches.

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John Travolta and Samuel L. Jackson star in *Pulp Fiction*, an "extravagantly demented low-life lalapalooza with outlandish twists." The film's plot revolves around a watch, a briefcase, and a large syringe in a darkly humorous scene which reportedly causes a few audience members with needle-phobia to fall out of their seats in revulsion.

John Candy, the large and lovable star of films *Splash*, *Cool Runnings*, *Home Alone*, and many other family favorites, dies at the age of 43. Whether Candy played jerks, slobs or loonies, his natural goodness came shining through.



"Life is like a box of chocolates," says its title character. *Forrest Gump*, starring Tom Hanks, surprises everyone with its popularity, attributed to the audiences' thirst for the film's theme of simple values and good intentions. Fascinating special effects place Gump into real news footage with U.S. presidents.



Every Tuesday night 20 million homes tune in to "Home Improvement," television's No. 1 show, starring comedian Tim Allen as Tim Taylor, the how-to host of "Tool Time," with his wife Jill and three kids. Fans love this funny real-life reflection of middle-class family life.



Comedian Jim Carrey's career is s-s-smokin'. In *The Mask*, Carrey plays shy Stanley Ipkiss, who discovers that a mythical mask can turn him into a very cool green-faced cartoon-like dude. While waiting for sequels to *The Mask* and *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*, Carrey fans enjoy current hit *Dumb and Dumber*.

With a tried-but-true storyline, the TV show "Me and the Boys," becomes an immediate family favorite, with stand-up comic Steve Harvey playing a widower who's left to raise three lively sons singlehandedly.



Reality-based television programs rule the tube with "Cops," "American Detective," "FBI: The Untold Stories," "Top Cops," and "Rescue 911." "America's Most Wanted" and "Unsolved Mysteries" enlist viewers' help in tracking down fugitives.



Shameless prime-time soap opera "Melrose Place," co-starring Heather Locklear and Grant Tinker, attracts legions of fans with its silly-sensational plotlines and shallow-but-beautiful characters. Fans even buy the TV show's soundtrack and "MP" clothing.



Tom Cruise bites as the elegantly evil vampire Lestat in the film based on Anne Rice's novel *Interview With the Vampire*. Brad Pitt costars in the story that's been a favorite with millions of readers for twenty years.



Comic Margaret Cho stars in the first all-Asian sitcom "All-American Girl," about a college girl who's not making enough money to move away from home and has to live with her rigidly traditional Korean immigrant parents.



The animals aren't cuddly, but Disney's 32nd animated feature *The Lion King* is still a box-office smash and a sure classic. The story of a young lion, Simba, on the path to maturity combines five Tim Rice/Elton John songs with comedy that leaves audiences roaring. Just say "Hakuna matata," Swahili for "no worries."



"Living Single" is hailed as a New York City version of "Designing Women." The comedy is about four women who share a big apartment, and features Kim Fields and rap star Queen Latifah, whose quiet presence and dignity singles her out as a star.



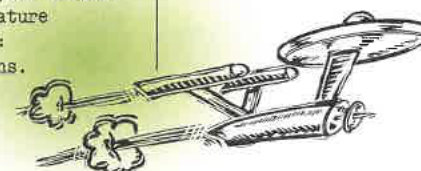
Talented young Claire Danes stars as a savvy 15-year-old confronting adolescent anxieties in the ABC television series "My So-Called Life," which receives critical acclaim. Danes also stars in the movie *Little Women*, with Winona Ryder.

This year's Emmy for best comedy series goes to TV's "Frasier," the story of a radio psychiatrist with a dysfunctional family. Star of the critical and main-stream hit, Kelsey Grammer dedicates his best-actor award to the dog "Eddie" whose off-screen name is Moose.

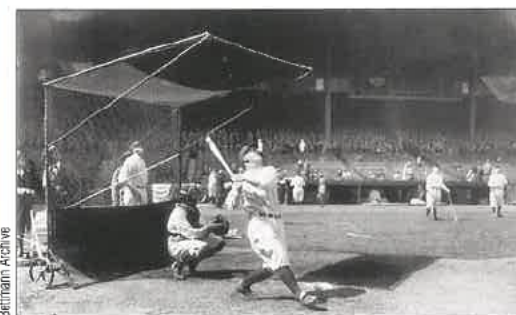


After his villain in Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* and his title role in Bertolucci's *Little Buddha*, actor Keanu Reeves buffs up to play an action star in *Speed*, about a bomb and a runaway bus, one of the year's biggest box office hits.

With the first female starship captain, TV's "Star Trek: Voyager" is the newest offshoot of the enduring Star Trek phenomenon, after "Deep Space Nine," "The Next Generation," and this year's full-length feature *Star Trek: Generations*.



Lou Gehrig's last day, Sandy Koufax on the mound, and Jackie Robinson's arrival are all part of the Ken Burns film "Baseball," an 18 1/2-hour historical mini-series on PBS. "Baseball" touches on American issues of race, labor, immigration, the role of women, urban renewal, popular media, and the nature of heroes and mythology.



Hoop Dreams is a documentary about two young Chicago athletes who dream of playing in the NBA. Arthur Agee and William Gates soon realize the dream will have to come at the expense of everything else. *Hoop Dreams* offers as much drama, excitement, and emotional ups and downs as anything to come out of Hollywood.



Although his action fans may prefer *True Lies*, Arnold Schwarzenegger, with co-star Danny DeVito, cracks up audiences in *Junior*, where the strongman plays a boringly-serious scientist who tests a fertility drug on himself, learns the joys of motherhood, and falls in love with the baby's mom, Emma Thompson.



"Baywatch," the world's most-watched syndicated TV show, is a feel-good action/adventure about a Malibu lifeguard, played by David Hasselhoff. Sunny beach scenes take the pressure off plot or character development. In tribute to its popularity, Mattel, Inc. creates Baywatch Barbie.



After their Woodstock '94 performance scores them mass adulation and an onstage mudfight, punk-pop trio Green Day wins the title for this year's best new band. Their album *Dookie*, featuring "Basket Case," goes triple platinum.

LPs make a comeback when major recording labels give in to pressure from artists and fans. New titles are released on vinyl, as well as CDs and tapes. Pronounced dead in the '80s, the revived 12-inch long-plays come complete with the art-covered sleeves and lyric-sheet inserts that make them collector's items.

Liz Phair follows up *Exile in Guyville* with *Whip-smart* and songs like "Super Nova" and "Jealousy." Her music is said to be about self-parody, defensiveness, beautiful flaws, and cluelessness.

Futuristic noise mavens Nine Inch Nails and singer Trent Reznor drive home a point with their "Closer" single and hit video, from their album *The Downward Spiral*.

Mosh pit heroes Bad Religion get plenty of play with "21st Century Boy" and their album *Stranger Than Fiction*.

Beastie Boys release their fourth hip-hop album */// Communication* on the heels of their highly popular *Check Your Head*.

Superunknown, a 70-minute, 15-song opus, debuts at No. 1 on the *Billboard* charts. Fans and critics say it's the best record of metal band Soundgarden's career.

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Jodeci, two pairs of brothers whose funky ballads coined the term "Feenin'," bring gospel harmonies to their new album *Diary of a Mad Band*, which goes platinum.



Singer Sheryl Crow hits paydirt with her debut album, *Tuesday Night Music Club* with the seedy-but-upbeat sounds of "Leaving Las Vegas" and "All I Want to Do."



Brooks Kraft, Sygma



They dress alike and rule Motown. It seems like Boyz II Men only makes mega-hits, like "On Bended Knee" and "I'll Make Love to You." Their second album, *///*, goes straight to No. 1 on the R&B charts.



Seattle rock band Pearl Jam and front man Eddie Vedder give youthful angst a good name as they rock hard with their third album, *Vitalogy*, considered their strongest yet.

With quirky lyrics and bass-voiced singing on hits like "Mmm, Mmm, Mmm, Mmm," the Crash Test Dummies' album, *God Shuffled His Feet*, becomes a chart-topper in the U.S. and Europe.



Although Madonna's bad-mannered appearance on Letterman begets criticism, her album *Bedtime Stories*, with hits "Take a Bow" and "Secret," is a solid chart-topper.



Singer Vince Gill makes country music history by winning the Country Music Association's award for top male vocalist four years in a row. The CMA also awards him 1994 Entertainer of the Year.



Nominated for best female vocalist, country singer Mary Chapin Carpenter croons at the Country Music Awards ceremony, but loses to Pam Tillis. Carpenter's album *Stones in the Road* tops the country charts.



Hailed as the crown prince of reggae, Buju Banton's album, *Voice of Jamaica*, pumps the party with "Walk Like a Champion" and "Man a Look Yuh."



It's a year of hits for buzz band, Gin Blossoms. Their top-selling album *New Miserable Experience*, covers "Hey Jealousy," "Found Out About You," and "Until I Fall Away."



EMI Records releases *Live at the BBC* a two-disc set of radio concerts recorded by the Beatles in the early '60s. "Free as a Bird," an original unfinished track by the late John Lennon, is finished, mixed with the live voices of Paul, George, and Ringo, and included in the set.



The Canadian band Cowboy Junkies, whose big hit this year is "Sweet James," sings of isolation and despair on their latest album *Pale Sun/Crescent Moon*.



Powered to the top with their pure pop sound, Swedish quartet Ace of Base tops the charts with *The Sign*. Their sound is a contagious blend of reggae-splashed pop known as "China Reggae."



Mascis emerges as a prolific and versatile songwriter for the punk-rock band Dinosaur Jr. with "Outta Hand" and major hit "Feel the Pain," both on their latest album *Without a Sound*.



Irish rock foursome, the Cranberries, tour the United States playing the sad, pretty melodies from their second hit album, *No Need to Argue*.



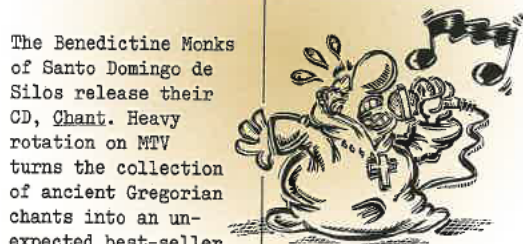
The Benedictine Monks of Santo Domingo de Silos release their CD, *Chant*. Heavy rotation on MTV turns the collection of ancient Gregorian chants into an unexpected best-seller.



Rappers with a self-reliant attitude, Salt-N-Pepa keep their *Very Necessary* vibe going this year with hits "Shoop" and "Whatta Man" which wins them, along with En Vogue, an MTV Music Award.



Rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg's performance makes the movie soundtrack *Above the Rim* a best-seller. His video "It's a Doggy Dogg World," which reunites all the '70s black exploitation film stars, wins an MTV Music Award.



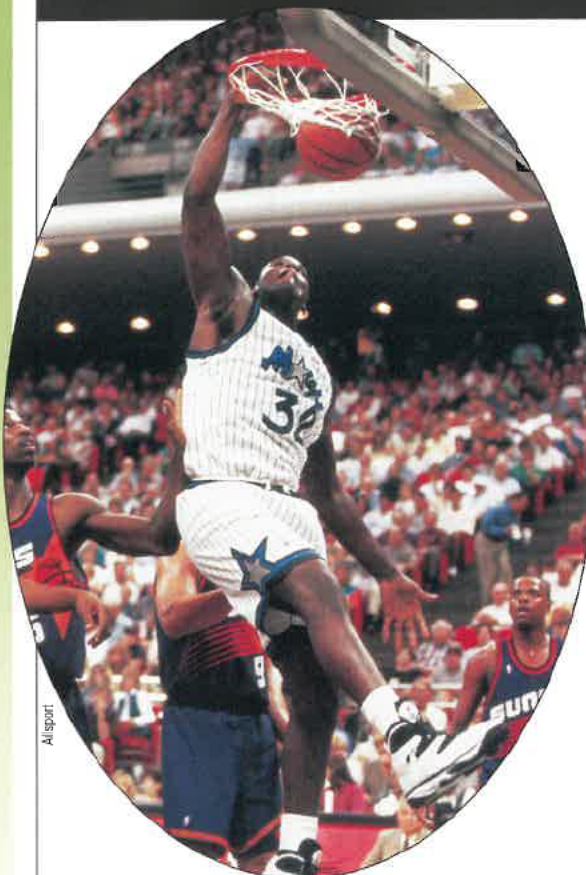
Ranked No. 1, the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers finish their unbeaten season by defeating the Miami Hurricanes to win the national title. Quarterback Tommie Frazier earns MVP honors by guiding the Huskers to two fourth-quarter touchdowns and a frenetic 24-17 victory.

She was a pro at 13, a millionaire at 14, and out of the game at 17. After getting booked on charges of marijuana possession, tennis star Jennifer Capriati enters a drug rehab program and makes a comeback in autumn where she plays well but loses her first-round match.

Former Wimbledon champ Andre Agassi wins the 1994 U.S. Open and beats champion Pete Sampras at the 1995 Australian Open. Called the most popular tennis player in the world, the tennis phenom has a new girlfriend, former model Brooke Shields.

The National Hockey League plays only 48 of the 82 games in the season this year due to a lockout. Following baseball's example, hockey owners put salary caps on their players, who strike but lose out to the owner's rule.

Track and field star Wilma Rudolph dies at the age of 54. The 20th of 22 children, she overcame polio, scarlet fever, and pneumonia to become a basketball star at 13, an Olympic bronze medalist at 16, and a winner of three gold medals in the 1960 Rome Olympics.



Whenever the Magic, led by 7'1" 300-pound Shaquille O'Neal, score 110 points, the Orlando McDonald's restaurants redeem home game tickets for a free Big Mac. With the team selling out all 16,000 seats, the Golden Arches supply a massive Mac attack, consoling fans for the lack of a playoff victory.



Pitchman George Foreman, 45, wearing the same red trunks he sported when he fought Muhammad Ali 20 years earlier, wins the world's heavyweight boxing title from Michael Moorer with a 10th round knockout.

The high rate of early burnout in women's pro tennis from media pressure, trainers, and sponsors causes the parents of Venus Williams, 14, to delay her pro debut.



Pete Sampras defeats Goran Ivanisevic in the men's singles final at Wimbledon in July 1994, for his second straight Wimbledon title. In January, pressure of defending the title causes him to break down in tears at the 1995 Australian Open.



Having already announced her retirement from singles tennis, nine-time Wimbledon champion Martina Navratilova waves good-bye to an emotional crowd, after losing to Conchita Martinez in her last Wimbledon match.



In July, Miguel Indurain of Spain makes a triumphant entry on the Champs Elysées in Paris to win the Tour de France for the fourth straight time. He wins the 3-week, 3,218 km contest easily, finishing five minutes, 39 seconds ahead of the field. Greg LeMond, the only American to win the Tour de France three times, retires from racing because of health problems.

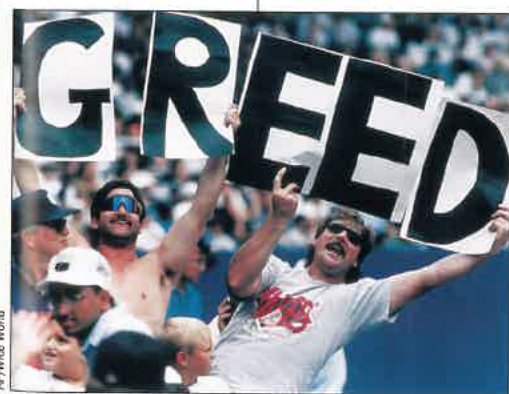


On June 14, the New York Rangers defeat the Vancouver Canucks 3 to 2 in the seventh game of the Stanley Cup play-offs, winning the coveted hockey cup for the first time in 54 years.

The Centennial Olympics will be in Atlanta, Georgia in 1996. The city will emphasize its multicultural aspects to honor athletes from around the world.



Dara Torres-Gowen becomes the first Olympic swimmer to model swimsuits in the Sports Illustrated annual swimsuit issue. Gold-medalist Torres-Gowen's sporty looks break the "waifs and glamazons" mold dictated by fashion.



Fans are openly angry when a dispute between players and team owners over salary caps and other issues threatens to shut down baseball. A work stoppage begins on August 12, and no World Series is played for the first time since 1904.



Tonya Harding, barred for life from organized skating for obstructing justice in the investigation of an assault on Nancy Kerrigan, is offered \$2 million by the All Japan Women's Pro Wrestling Association to wrestle as a baddie.



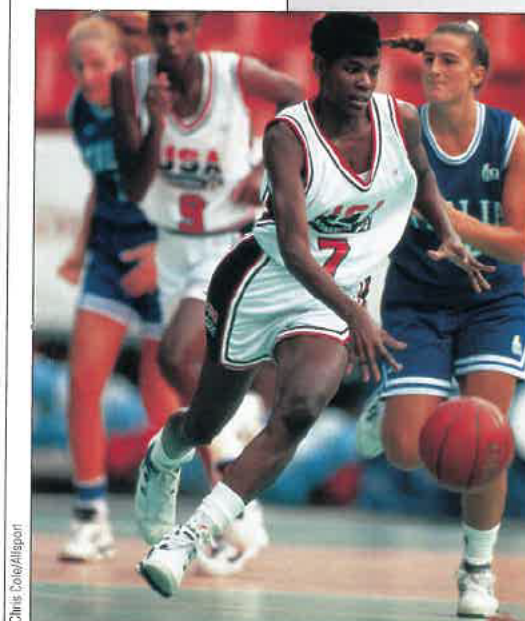
In Super Bowl XXIX in Miami, the San Francisco 49ers beat the San Diego Chargers 49-26, in their record-breaking fifth Super Bowl win. Quarterback Steve Young passes for a record six touchdowns to win most valuable player.



After 52 wins, four PPG Cup titles, and \$10 million in earnings, Indycar champion Mario Andretti races for the final time in his 31-year career. The four-time Indianapolis 500 champion retires in October 1994.



Ernie Els wins the 1994 U.S. Open golf tournament in sudden-death playoff. The U.S. women's golf team, led by Dottie Mochrie, beats Europe for the 1994 Solheim Cup.



Basketball star Sheryl Swoopes leads the U.S. women's basketball team to a gold medal at the Goodwill Games in Russia. Earlier she led Texas Tech to an NCAA title and signed an endorsement deal with Nike.



World Cup soccer comes to the U.S. for the first time: 24 teams play 52 World Cup games in nine cities to 3,567,415 fans, culminating in a title match between Brazil and Italy. Earlier the U.S. upset Colombia, but lost to the Brazilian team, who went on to win the cup.

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Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun, 85, who wrote the majority opinion in *Roe v. Wade*, the landmark 1973 case that guaranteed a woman's legal right to abortion, announces his retirement from the court after 24 years.

The Charles and Diana fairy-tale-turned-sordid-soap continues: A German newspaper prints nude photos of Prince Charles; he publishes a confession saying he never loved his wife. Princess Diana is suspected of making crank phone calls; an old friend who claims to be her ex-lover hawks a trashy kiss-and-tell book.

Tabitha the cat spends 12 days and 32,000 miles in the fuselage of a Tower Air 747 jet when she escapes her cat carrier and gets lost in the cargo hold. Tabitha makes television appearances after her rescue with her aspiring-actress owner. Tabitha lost two pounds during the ordeal, her owner lost six.

The Florida judge would not allow Paul Hill to use justifiable homicide as a defense in the shootings of Dr. John Britton and his bodyguard outside a Pensacola abortion clinic. Hill is found guilty of murder in the first degree.

Anna Paquin, 11, wins an Academy Award for her performance in *The Piano*. Says actor Gene Hackman, "I guess now you'll have no trouble getting cast in your school play."

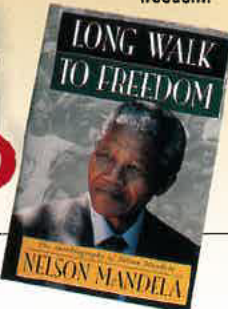


Ronald Reagan, 83, announces he is in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease, which will cause him to rely increasingly on wife Nancy. Doctors say the easy-going ex-president should be able to function normally for several more years.

Despite hurled obscenities and death threats, Shannon Faulkner, 19, battles the all-male Citadel for the right to become the first female cadet in the 152-year history of the state-supported South Carolina military school.



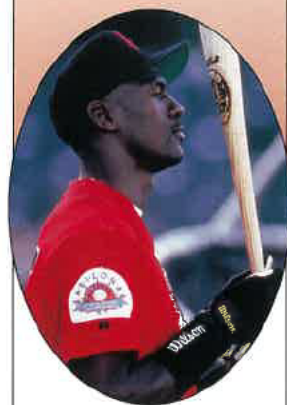
Nelson Mandela, an international hero who won the Nobel Peace Prize, writes his story. *Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela* covers the author's 27 years as a political prisoner, his release, and black Africans struggle for freedom.



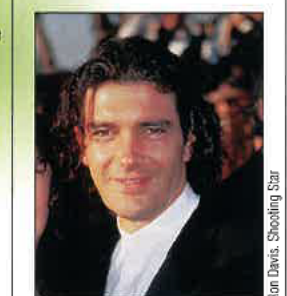
Sending a worthy message to pageant-watchers, Heather Whitestone, a deaf Alabama college junior who works with handicapped kids, is crowned 1994 Miss America by her predecessor Kimberly Aiken.



In Singapore, American teenager Michael Fay is convicted of vandalism and publicly caned four times by a martial arts master, despite pleas from his family and President Clinton.



Applying his new fame to good works, actor Antonio Banderas, of *Philadelphia* and *Interview With the Vampire*, spends a week on a goodwill mission helping UNICEF draw attention to war-torn Somalia.



Former basketball superstar Michael Jordan improves his game for the Arizona Scottsdale Scorpions, a minor-league baseball team. He still has no plans to return to the hoops.

In about the most surprising event of the year, Michael Jackson weds Elvis' daughter, Lisa Marie Presley in a secret ceremony, May 1994. Journalists wonder if the union isn't a business arrangement or an attempt to polish Michael's public image, tarnished by claims of child molestation.



Scruffy movie idol Johnny Depp and wispy model Kate Moss have a headline-making lovers quarrel. Depp is arrested for trashing the couple's hotel room.



Model Cindy Crawford and actor Richard Gere, dubbed the world's sexiest couple, announce their separation. Hollywood books Crawford for her first movie.



Cartoonist Gary Larson announces that he will retire *The Far Side*, a feature that began in 1978 and has appeared in 1,500 newspapers.

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