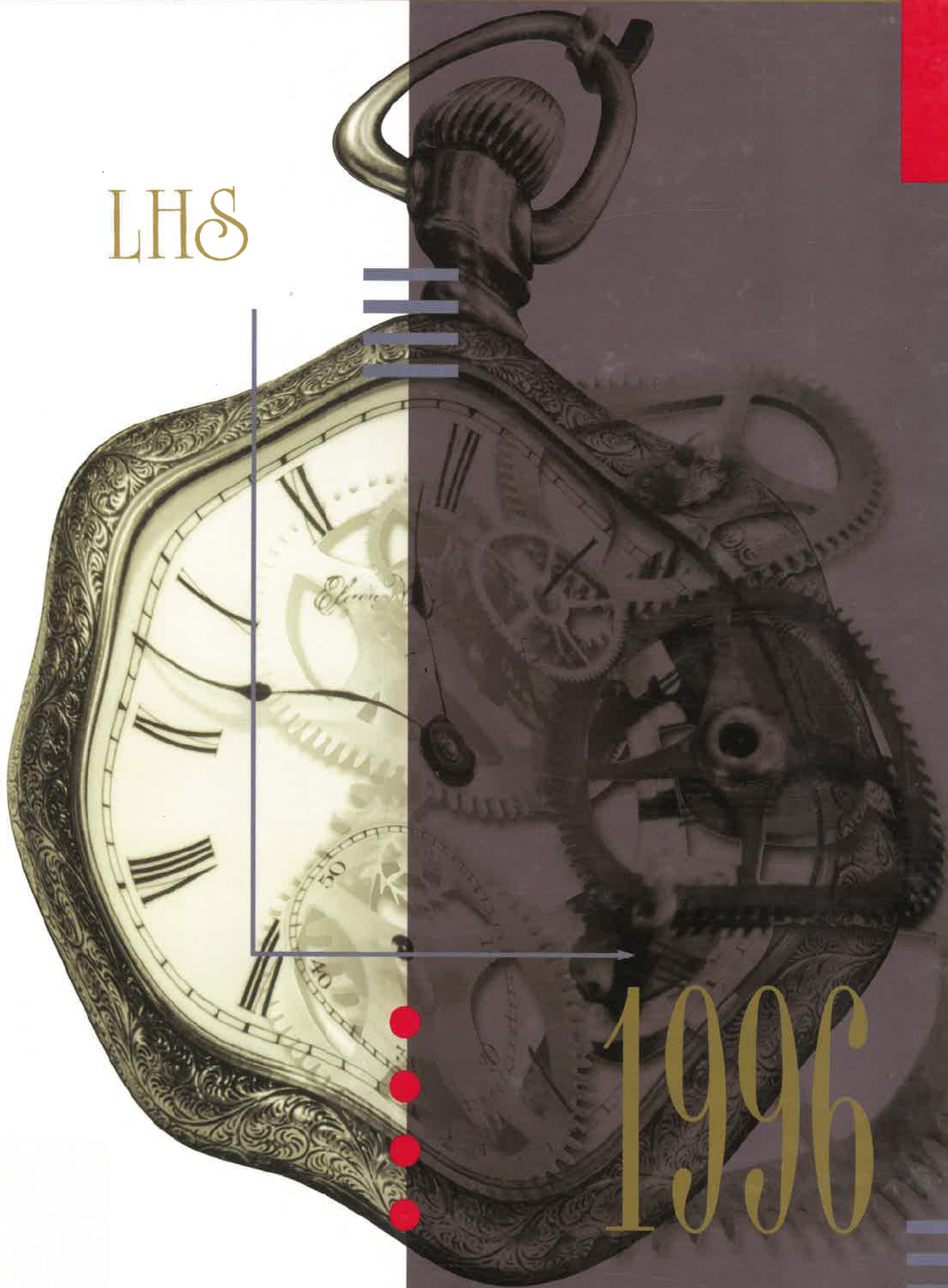


LHS



1996

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96 *THE FALCON*



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Before they were seniors...

James Caron still uses this "deer in the headlights" stare he used in kindergarten in 1983.



Tony Plyler, right, tries his in 1979! Long live Disco Tony!



Khisha Gomes displays her dancing talents.



At far left James Rafiners' folks were thinking ahead but no one took the bait.



Liz Tutwiler - before solid food but right after strained carrots.

CLASS OF 1996



SENIORS



Above: Tony Plyler, James Caron, Liz Tutwiler and James Rafiner.

The senior class is small
but they leave the juniors
big shoes to fill



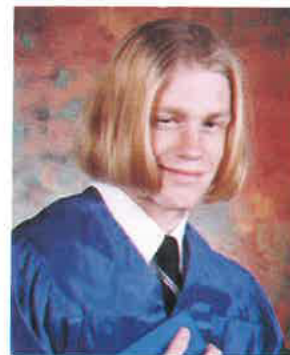
James Caron



Khisha Gomes



Dawn James



Tony Plyler



Ellen Ponson



James Rafiner

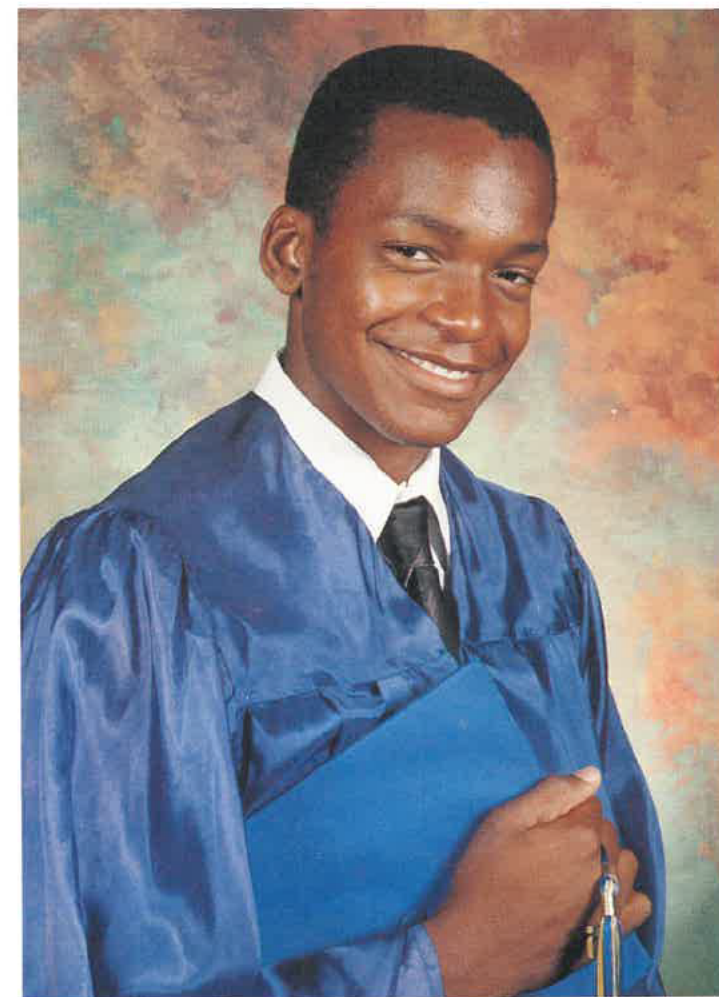


Scott Smith



Liz Tutwiler

1996



**Tribute to a friend
moved to yet another school**

Part of the character of a DoDDS school is the number of times a person can move while in high school. Jason Lear will not be forgotten by his friends at Lajes High. He's a senior somewhere but he'll always be our friend too.

Class time is a
small part of
high school.

HAVING

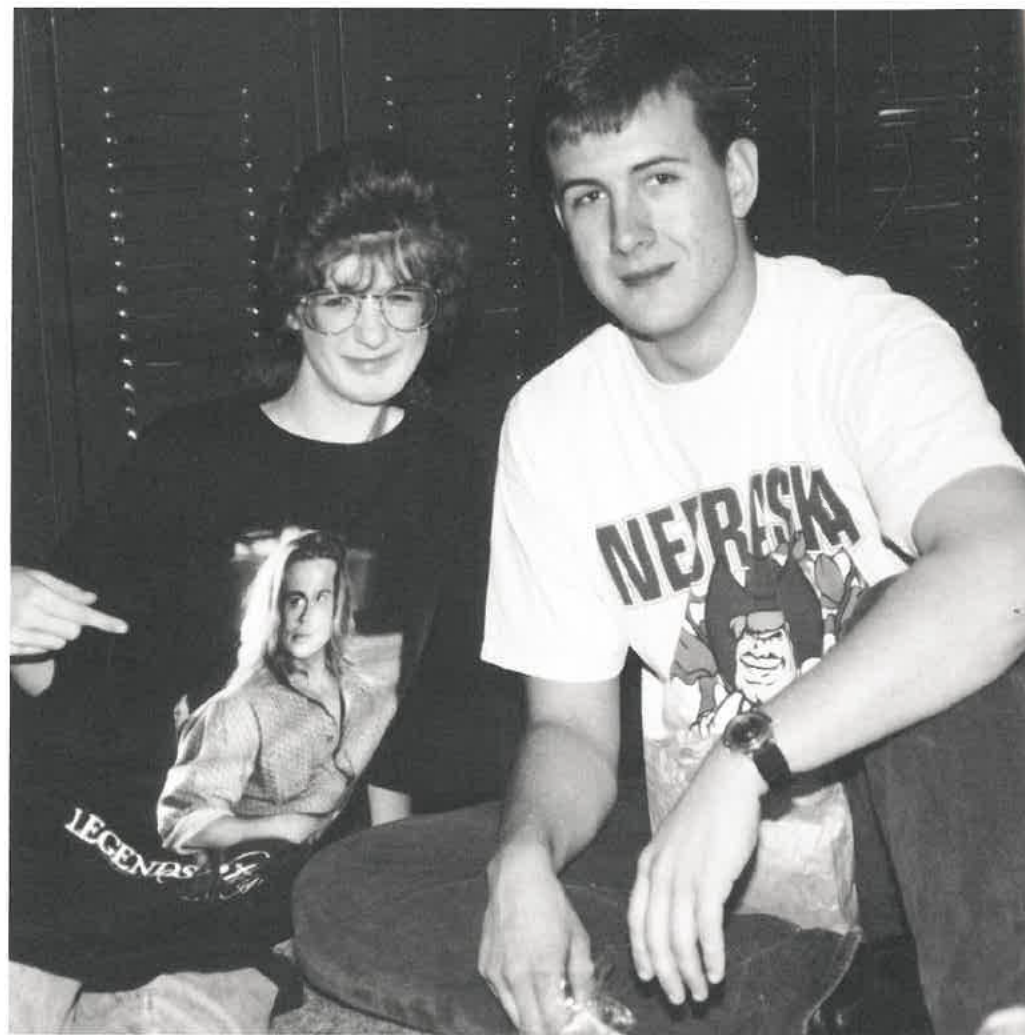
Making
FUN IS
friends and a
HALF
lot of basic
THE
bafoonery are
BATTLE
mandatory to
make it as a
senior.



James and his studly
friend, "Butch"

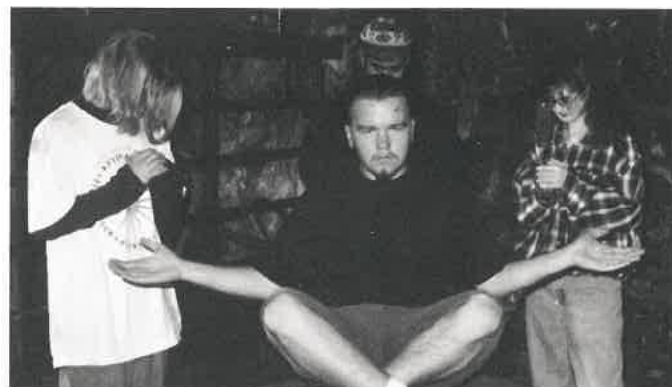


I'll get you my pretty!



In the hall? C'mon Liz
and Scott go find a table
like everyone else.

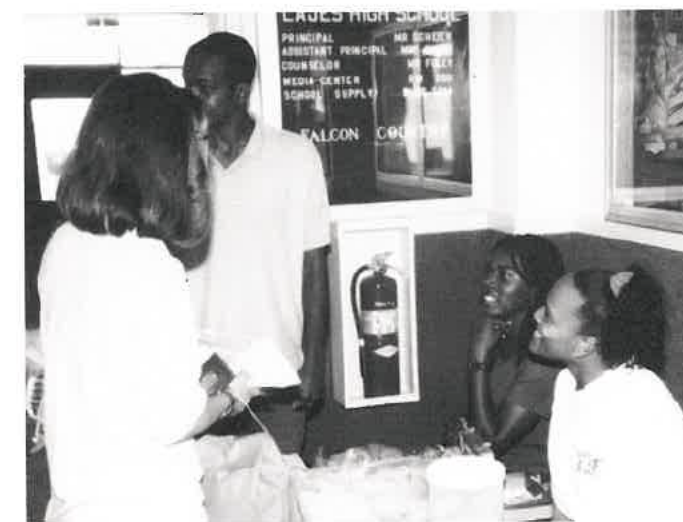
Try to realize you're
only very small and
life flows on within
you and without you.
(Very deep stuff)



Look at us...we're in English!



Back off! I'm having a bad day.



Rachel: I'd like to buy
13 dozen lollipops and
a box of burritos and
one of those things.
Dawn: Thank you, your
order is number 18.

Hello. My name is Liz,
welcome to my home.

Right: Dawn takes a break
between classes

Below: Nice hat James,
did you knit that yourself?



Left: Spot the "Dude" in
this picture

Below: The devil made
me do it!



Above: Khisha has
mastered the art of
sleeping with her eyes
open.

Right: On three we
draw...

Far right: Praise be to
Liz and lead my soul to
everlasting life.



I have Mrs. White's
sticky-wicky finger-
licky wacky-tacky fin-
ger stuff. And it makes
me feel good.

Far left: Love me ten-
der...

Left: Scott, James and
Liz



JAMES RAFINER
 I become a transparent
 eyeball; I am nothing; I
 see all; the currents of
 the universal being
 circulate through me; I
 am part or parcel of
 God.
Ralph Waldo Emerson



LIZ TUTWILER
 I do not wish to live
 what is not life, living
 is so dear ...



KHISHA GOMES
 If you can imagine it,
 you can achieve it; if
 you can dream it, you
 can become it.
William Arthur Ward



SCOTT SMITH
 Obstacles are things a
 person sees when he
 takes his eyes off his
 goals.



TONY PLYLER
 Young are slaves to
 dreams, the old,
 servants of regrets.



JAMES CARON
 In the desert there is
 no sign that says
 "Thou Shalt Not Eat
 Stones."
Sufi Proverb



ELLEN PONSON
 If you find a path
 with no obstacles, it
 probably doesn't go
 anywhere.

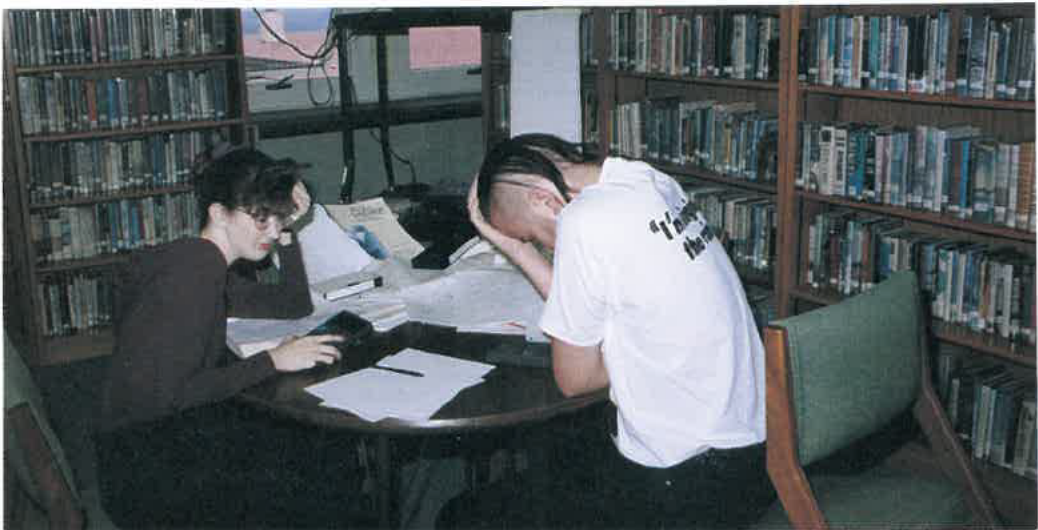


DAWN JAMES
 I don't dream my
 dreams ... I just
 simply accomplish
 them



Right: Khisha Gomes, Ellen Ponson and Dawn James

Below: Tony Plyler and James Caron



Liz Tutwiler and James Rafiner



Baby photos!

My, but how they've grown!

Below
Norma Sanchez

Right
Yamika McGee

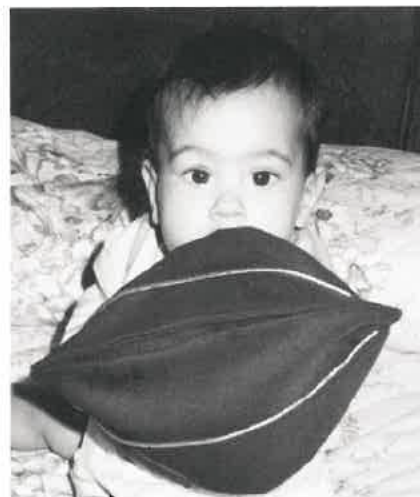
Far right
Andrea Zeleny - 6
months.



Schantel Burgess - 1981.



Celetia Daniels doing that ballerina thing at age 8.



Elysa Hamrick



Emily Porter - 2 years.

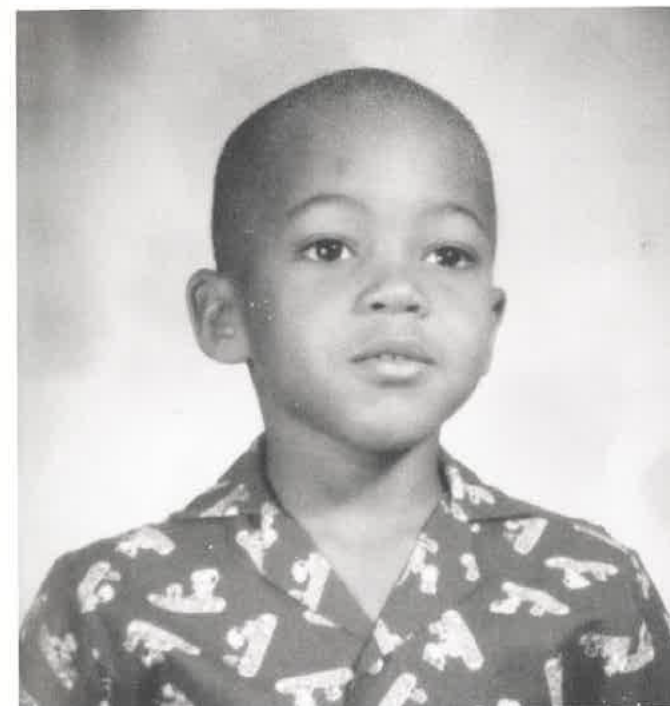


Jennifer Amato



Left
Gillian Caron

Below
Marco Sanchez



Above
Michael Musgrove

Above right
Carlos Sanchez

Right
Rachel Bruning



CLASS OF 1997





Josh Blundell



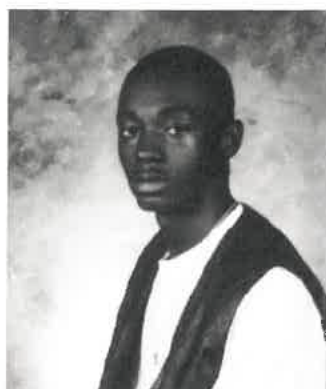
Josh Brothers



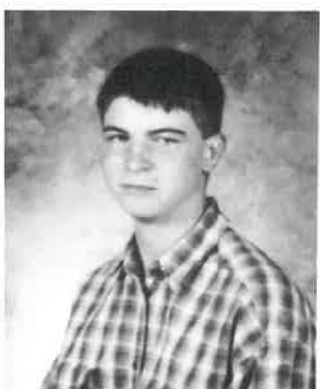
Kristi Brothers



Schantel Burgess



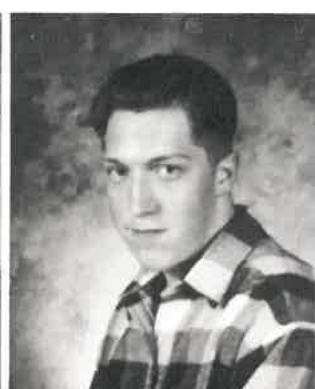
Jarrod Colquitt



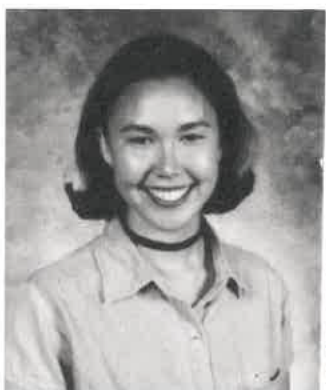
Paul Compton



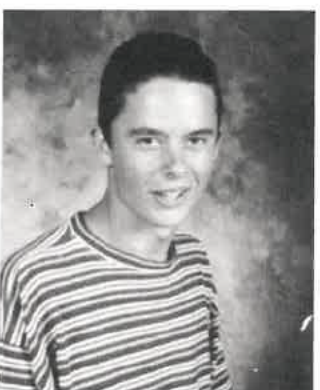
Christina Kingsbury



Jeremy Kohlwes



Jessica Kovach



Gene Lancaster



Camael Pembleton



Chay Rehm

THE JUNIOR CLASS

HARD AT WORK?



The junior year is definitely a tough one, as Josh Blundell demonstrates.

Although work comes first, Jessica, Gene and Kristi play solitaire. Looks are deceiving.



Marco Sanchez



Norma Sanchez



Melissa Smith

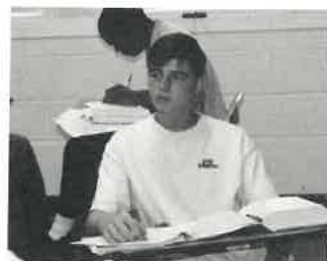


David Tutwiler

Right
Camael pauses during
her busy day in order to
smile for the camera.



Below
Paul pauses for a
breather in Mrs.
Bockman's English
class.



Above
Is Jessica actually com-
posing herself long
enough to interview
Lillian Gonzales, Direc-
tor of the DOD Educa-
tion Activity?



Right
Schantel Burgess says
she didn't do it but her
smile says otherwise!

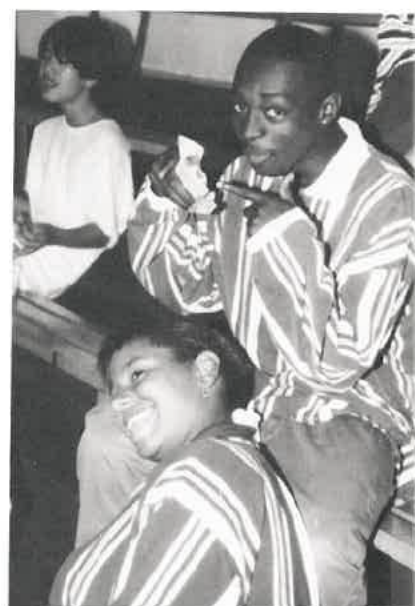
Junior Store



NO MONEY - NO FOOD! That's the motto of the
Junior Store.



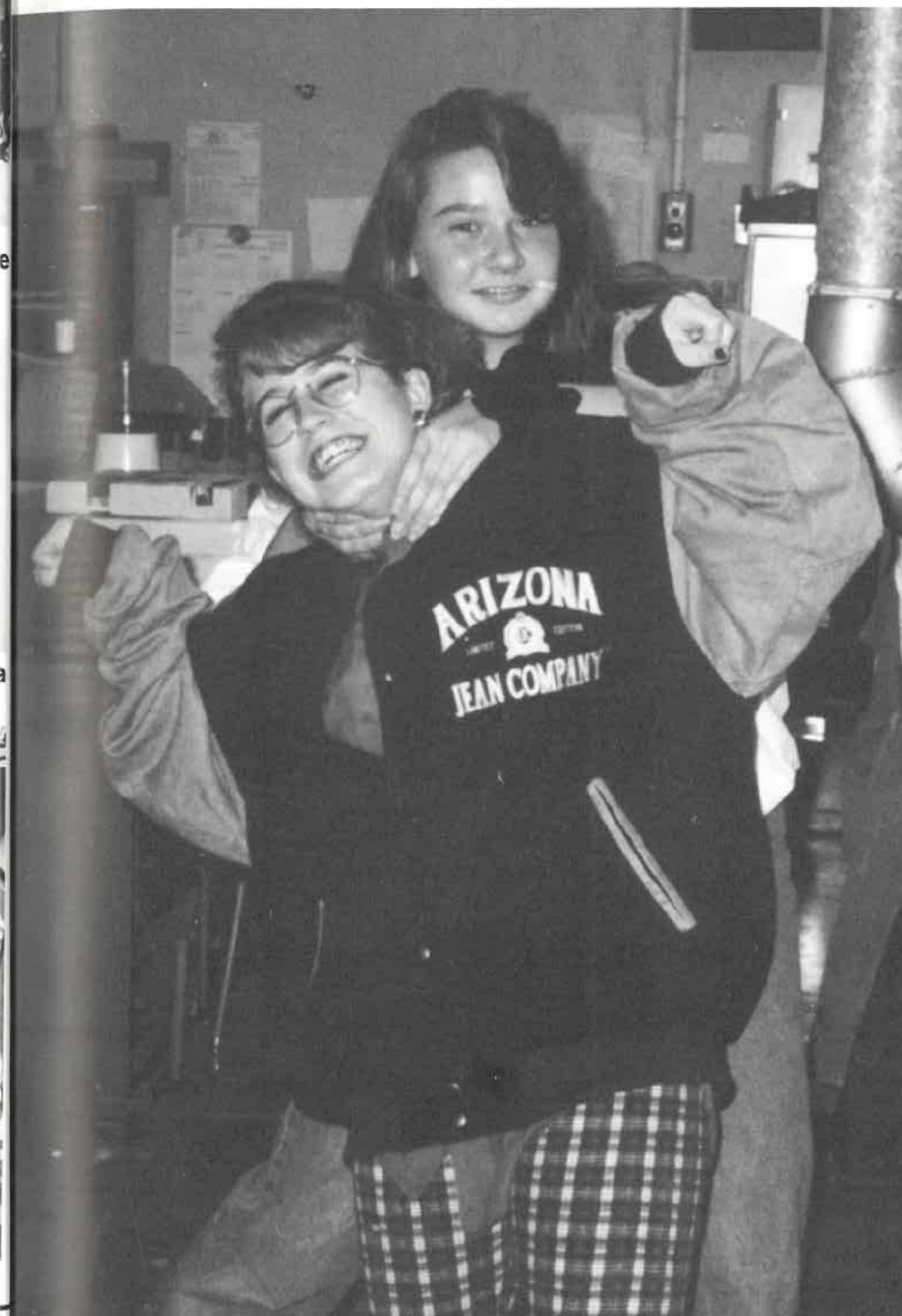
Yes, munchies! Who was to know Marc was a
Pepper?



Jarrold
Colquitt
seems to be
enjoying his
burrito.

*People somehow act differently in front of a camera;
that's why it's so refreshing to catch them
when they don't know it's there.*

Smile! You're on candid camera

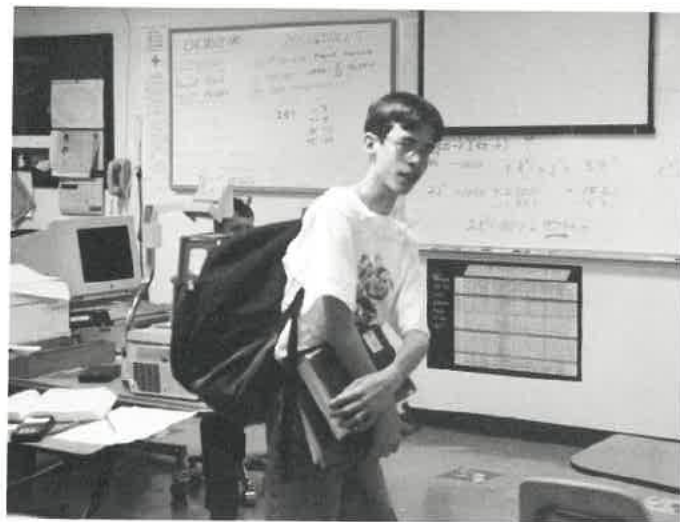


Left
Christina just found out
she got an F on an Alge-
bra II test, of course,
Kristi got an A.

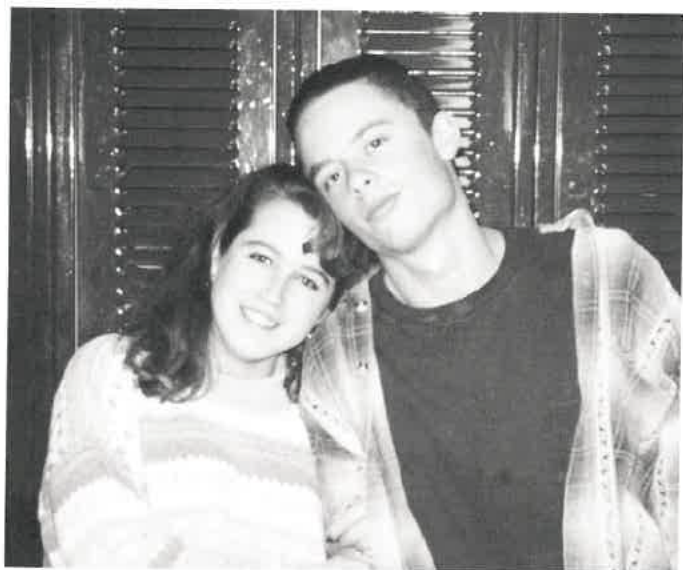
Below
Oh, Chay, what would
Brad say?



OK Schantel, what are
you hiding in your
locker?



Tut after math class.



Gene and Kristi, a match made in heaven?! I guess.



Christina is preparing for next year's newest Olympic trial event -- the rolling the chair backward across the classroom 50 meters.



Although there is a variety of ethnic, religious and cultural diversity at Lajes High, Jessica, Melissa and Chay treasure the friendship they share.



Left
Chay hard at work on a bowl of fruit.

Below
Could Josh and Josh be more excited?



Above
The locker... Paul's realm of individuality.



Far left
What a smile!

Left
Jerem stalks the halls of Lajes.



CLASS OF 1998

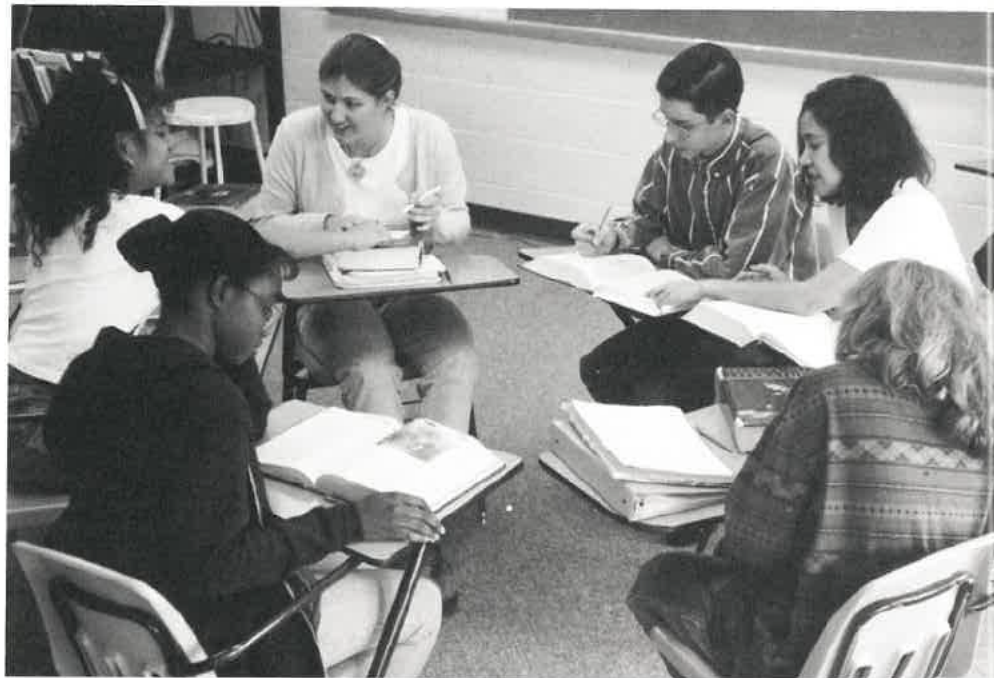
Right
Melissa, a.k.a. "Goofy" is
chillin' after school.



Right
Paul relaxes in RT.



Right
Honors English attempts
to understand the essays
of Ralph Waldo
Emerson.



Above
Marc's brain threatens to
overload as he calculates
a calorimetry
problem.



Right
Tut gets in touch with his
"feminine side."



Right
As a junior, Jeremy pre-
pares for his future
through career planning.



JUNIOR CLASS

The second period biology class is busy listening to a lecture by Mr. Paulin.



Many students are doing their work or taking notes. Others are just soaking it all up.

OUR CLASS

By Jale and Candace

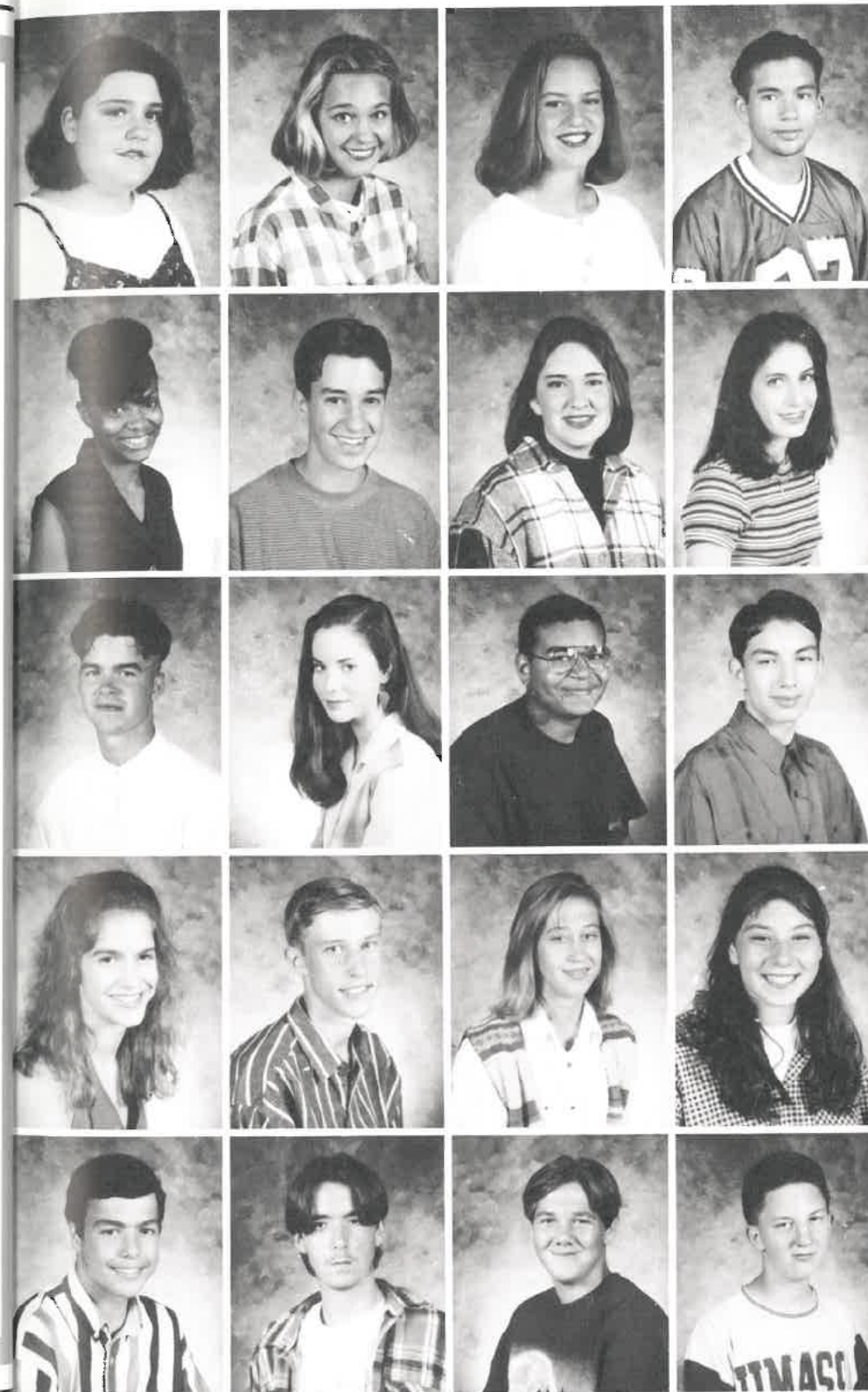
The class of 1998 is a class full of gifted and spirited individuals with different interests and hobbies. Other than school WORK, the sophomore class likes to do many other activities such as participating in sports, listening to and playing music, and just trying to be "average" teenagers; just doing the 90's thing, hanging out with friends.

Of course, on a small island like Terceira, there are only so many places a teenager can hang out. Many of us go to local towns like Lajes, Praia and Angra. While there we go shopping in the picturesque shops and cafes where we galas for a buck and any number of other local specialties. Of course, when we can't get out we just hangout at each others house's since there isn't a bullfight every weekend to go watch. This is especially true in winter when the winds threaten to carry away anything that isn't nailed to the ground, much like it did in November of 1995 when Tropical Storm Tanya hit the base with 145 mile per hour winds. Although we got a well-deserved day off from school, the storm did wreak havoc with the business computer lab roof and lots of windows were damaged.

But when the wind isn't knocking trees over, the sun shines and gives us all a reason to smile and a chance to go to the pool. Summer vacation at Lajes is not only sun and goofing off, there's also work to be done. Summer jobs -- through the summer hire program, keep teenagers younger than 18 involved in volunteer work or paid positions at the pool, in the commissary, at offices around base, and ALWAYS at home. (Although, usually, we have to work at home for free.)

If you're like us sophomores - lazy at times - a perfect day in the summer would be to go to the beach and spend the day. Our class may be small but we are definitely a class that knows how to have fun. Every year the sophomore class is responsible for the Sweethearts Ball which we put together as a team to give our entire school a night of music, dancing and fun.

Although few of us are at Lajes for more than two years, the friendships we make here will last a lifetime.



Jale Andrews
Candace Bacinski
Rachel Bruning
Brian Carpenter

Celetia Daniels
Mark Day
Jennifer Glenn
Erica Keller

Ryan King
Tracy Lewis
Vladmir Marc-Charles
Christopher Medina

Larissa Mendes
Daniel Moser
Roxie Paramore
Crystal Pena

Antonio Ribeiro
Michael Roche
Joshua Smith
Ross Trotter

Making it at Lajes High

Hard work.
Friendship.
Teamwork.
Dedication.
All trademarks of the
Sophomore class.

Mike and Ross waiting for something interesting to happen.

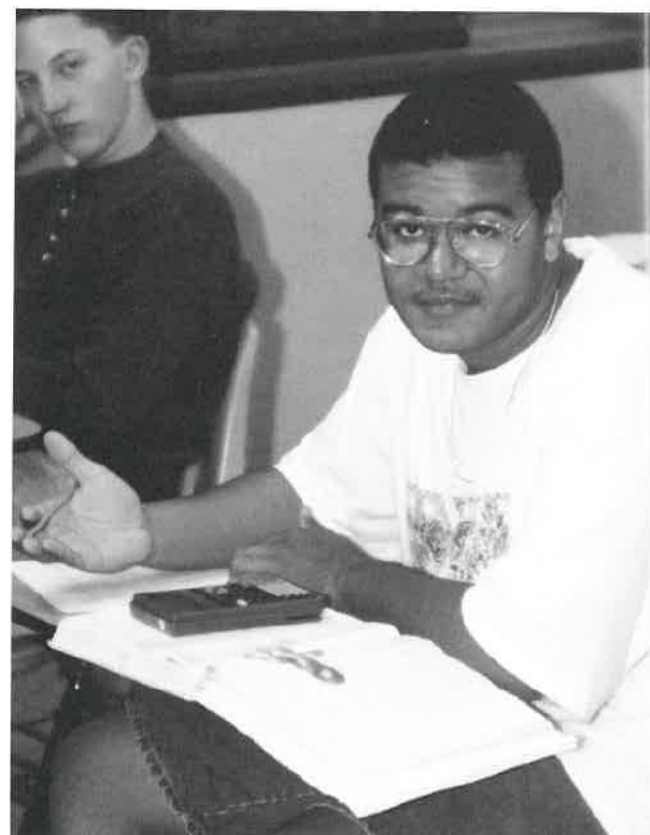


Left
Candace and Rachel give
Dan Moser a big kiss. What
a guy.

Below
Larissa studies her biology
book before writing down
what she hopes will be a
reasonable answer.



Celetia Daniels concentrates on a math problem
being worked out at the board.



Vladmir Marc-Charles poses one last time before
his move to Oklahoma.



Rachel poses in an ancient Turkish castle during
the volleyball team's trip in the fall.



Ryan wrestles
one of the
wandering
horses of Terceira
which made its
way inside the
school.



Being a
sophomore
requires a
lot of hard
work, and a
ton of test
taking.

Left
Roxie and Dan burn a
few brain cells taking a
test in Mrs. White's En-
glish class.



Below
Antonio, Brian and
Christopher are taking
their best shots at being
macho men.



Above
Jennifer Hagger, new to
LHS and Roxie are smil-
ing. What can that be all
about?

Right
Erica is just thrilled to be
in Mr. Rowe's geometry
class.



Left
Most of the sophomore
class spending quality time
together. Aren't they just a
loving group?

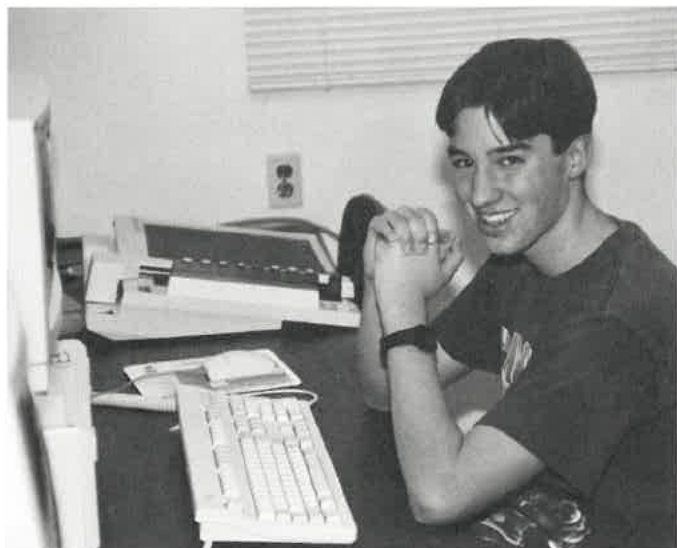
Below
Crystal Pena being herself.



Jennifer G. and Erica are
such good freinds Erica
lets Jen hold her food for
her.

Left
Ryan - nice teeth.

Below
Mark Day - the brain -
working at the computer

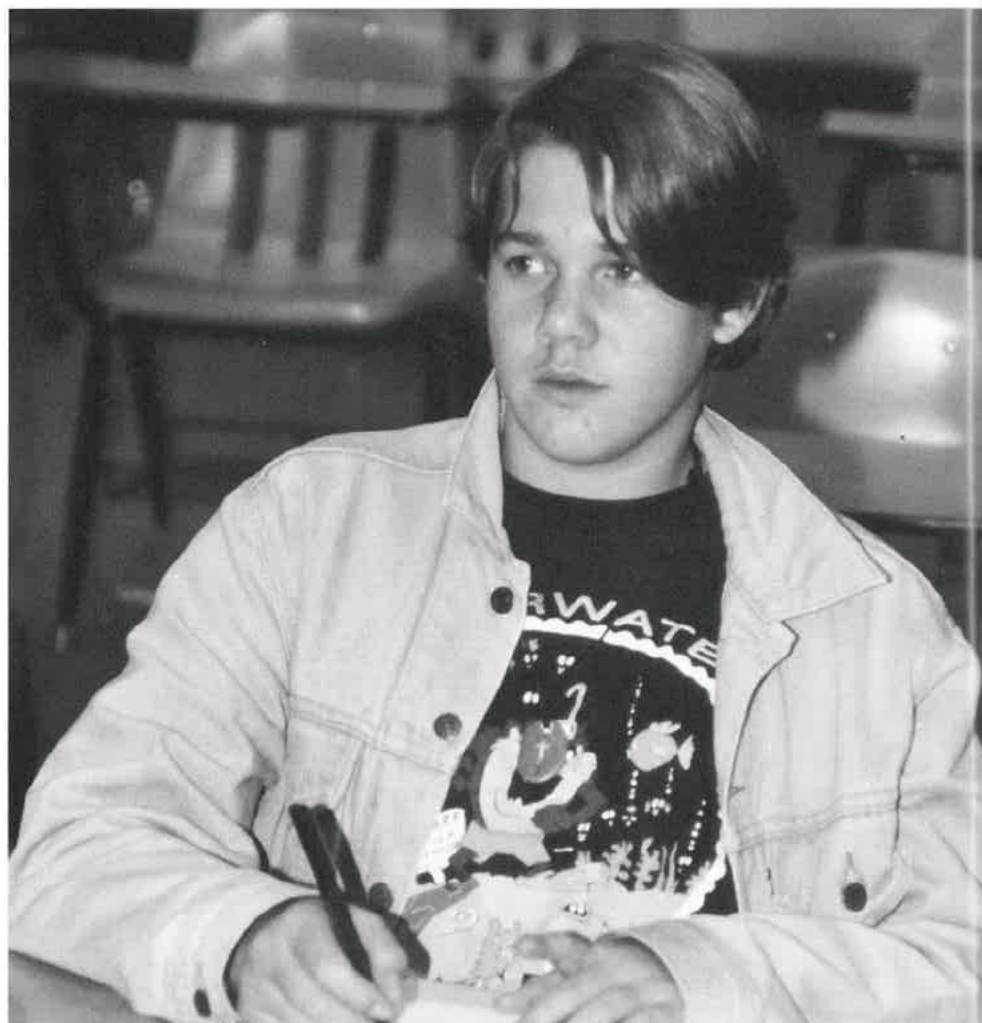


Right
Jen is bubbly even in
class! How do you do
that?



Celetia strikes a pose fit
for *Vogue*

Right
Josh tries to stay in fo-
cus with Mr. Paulin's lec-
ture and still take notes.



CLASS OF 1999



Freshmen

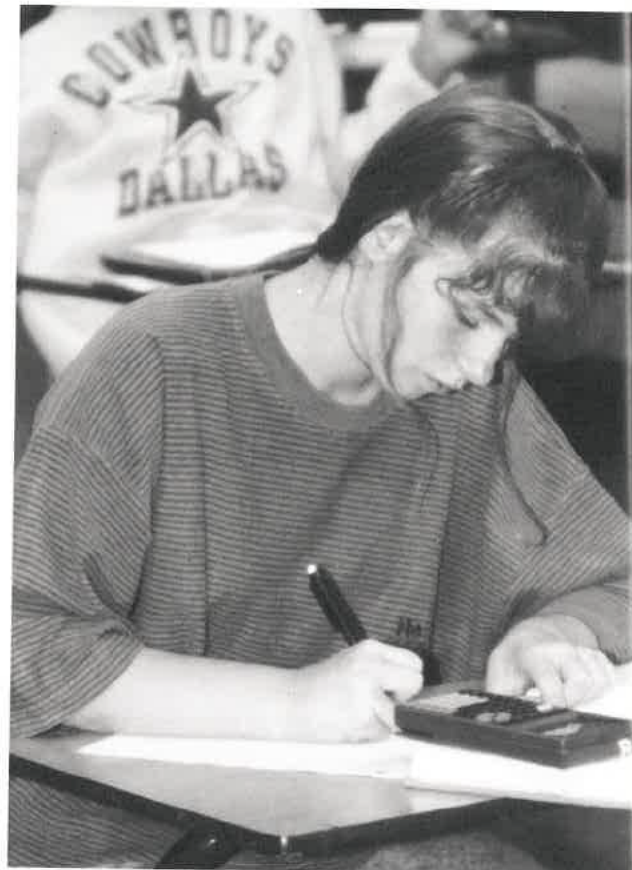
Finding Their Way



Chris Blundell makes a picture window in Mrs. Bockman's classroom.



Group study



Emily gets busy in the world of Algebra I.

Last Of the '90s



Chris Blundell
Lynette Bohrer
Rebecca Brown
Gillian Caron
Richard Cox

Jacquelyn Fischer
David Gaudreau
Anthony Gonzales
Michael Gonzales
Michelle Guindin

Stephanie Kingsbury
Allyson Lohr
Jenna Martinez
Nicole McClain
Shari Moore

Joshua Murphy
Emily Porter
Michelle Ratliff
Rachel Rodrigues
Fredric Rosario

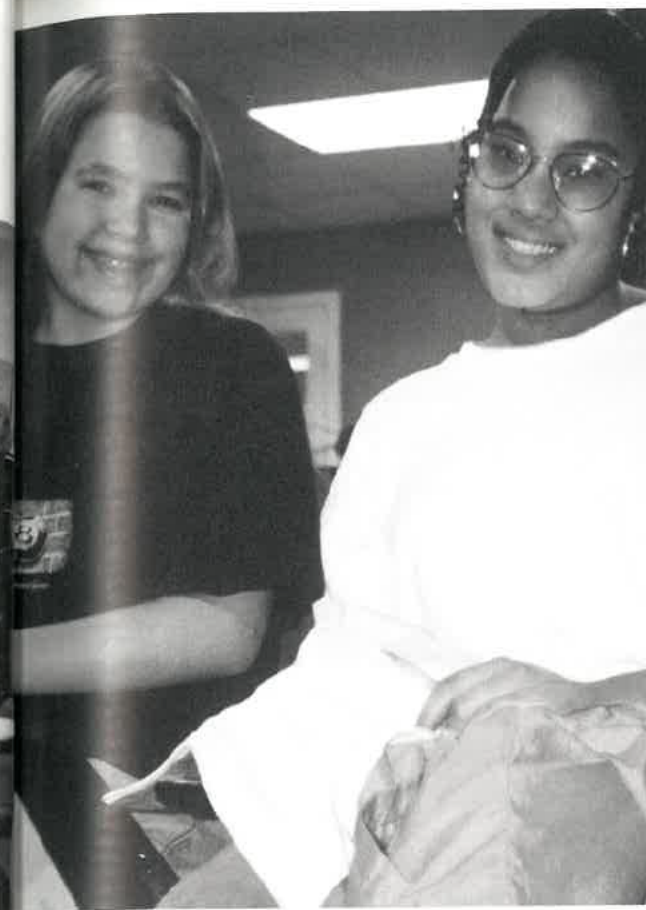
Amy Stahl
Holly Van Liere
Brigitte Wetz
Andrea Zeleny

Beginning the Final Four

Freshmen begin their climb up the "named" ranks

Right
The freshmen class is eagerly academic as is shown here by their diligent note-taking ability.

Below
Emily takes a break in order to smile big during a class.



Left
Andrea and Rachel not only smile, but they sing too. To prove it they joined the chorus.

Left
Stephanie and Freddie take time out from their busy lunch to make sure they get one more picture for the yearbook.



Below
Shari pauses in the hall for a moment of meditation before her next class.



President

Fredric Rosario



Vice President

Andrea Zeleny



Secretary

Rachel Rodrigues



Treasurer

Gillian Caron

9TH GRADE STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES



Brigitte, Holly and Shari get in the spirit of Spirit Week.



Left
Jackie gets ready to take out some classroom frustration on a volleyball during gym class.

All Class

Right
Brigitte and Holly get a
little chit chat in before
class.

Below
Science class requires
people pay close atten-
tion and that's what
Gillian, Jenna, Anthony
and Rachel are doing.



Brigitte Wetz keeps calm, even before tests.



Left
Michelle gets a little ex-
tra volleyball practice in
during gym. She's not
only on the school team,
but she went to Turkey
to help Lajes take 2nd
Place in a tournament in
October.

Below
Basically just goofing off,
Shari, Michell, Andrea
and Emily (on the floor)
can't get enough of
school as they hang out
after classes are fin-
ished.

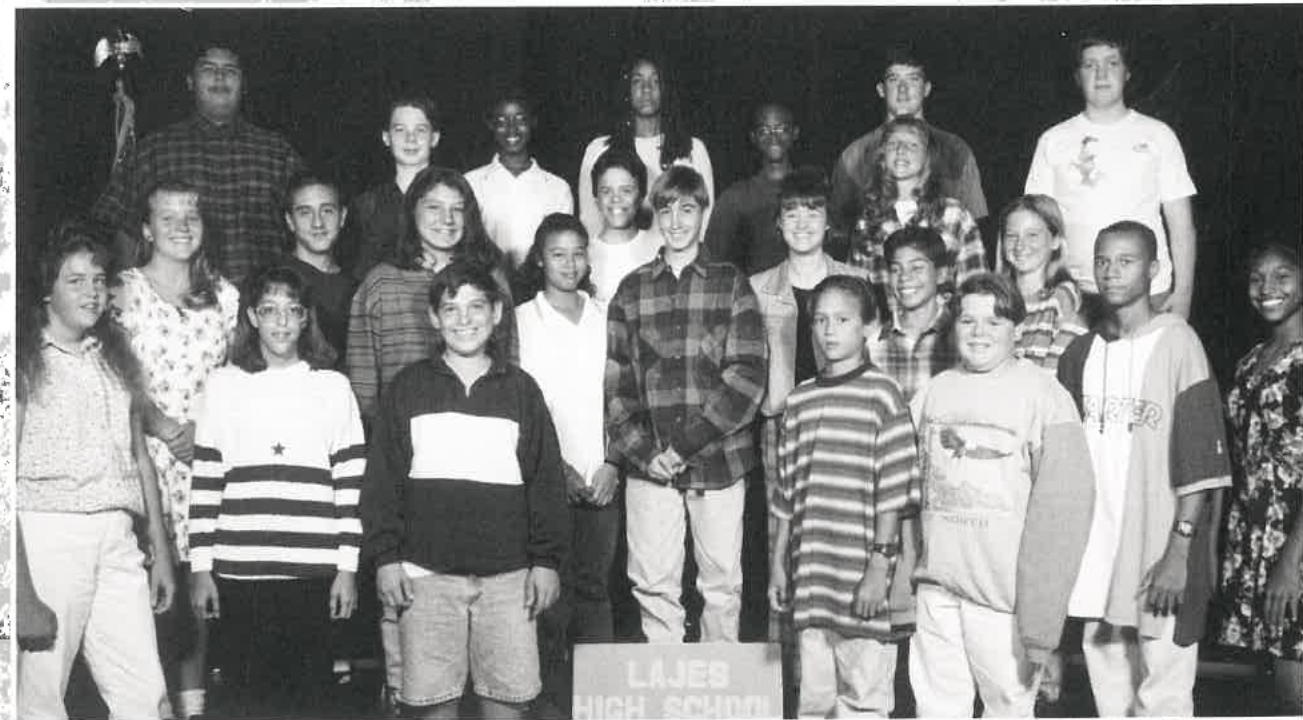


Chris mugs the camera.

AROUND THE CLASS



CLASS OF 2000





Michael Barnes



Laura Brusoe



Beverly Brinkley



Joseph Carpenter



Dawnte Early



Kristin Fitzsimmons



Brad Henry



Matthew Jolly



James Kohlwes



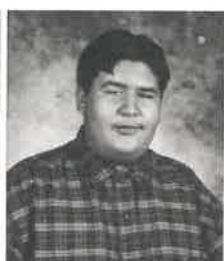
Yamika McGee



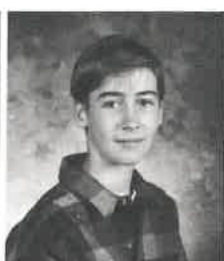
Robert Moore



Kristie Moser



Nick Panzlua



Jody Paramore



Tiffany Pena



Rebecca Pembleton



James Ratliff



Stephanie Reed



Carlos Sanchez



Brianne Silva



Brian Smith



Nathaniel Smith



Matthew Sloan



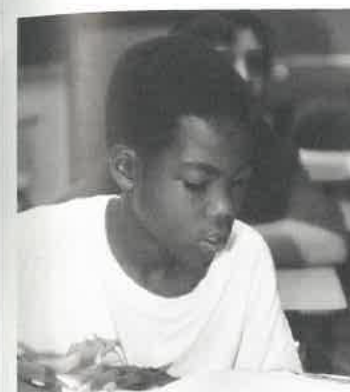
Dante Todd



Christina Wankows

Study Time

It takes study and more study to make it!



Michael Barnes works on a math problem.



Above
Nobody likes word problems.

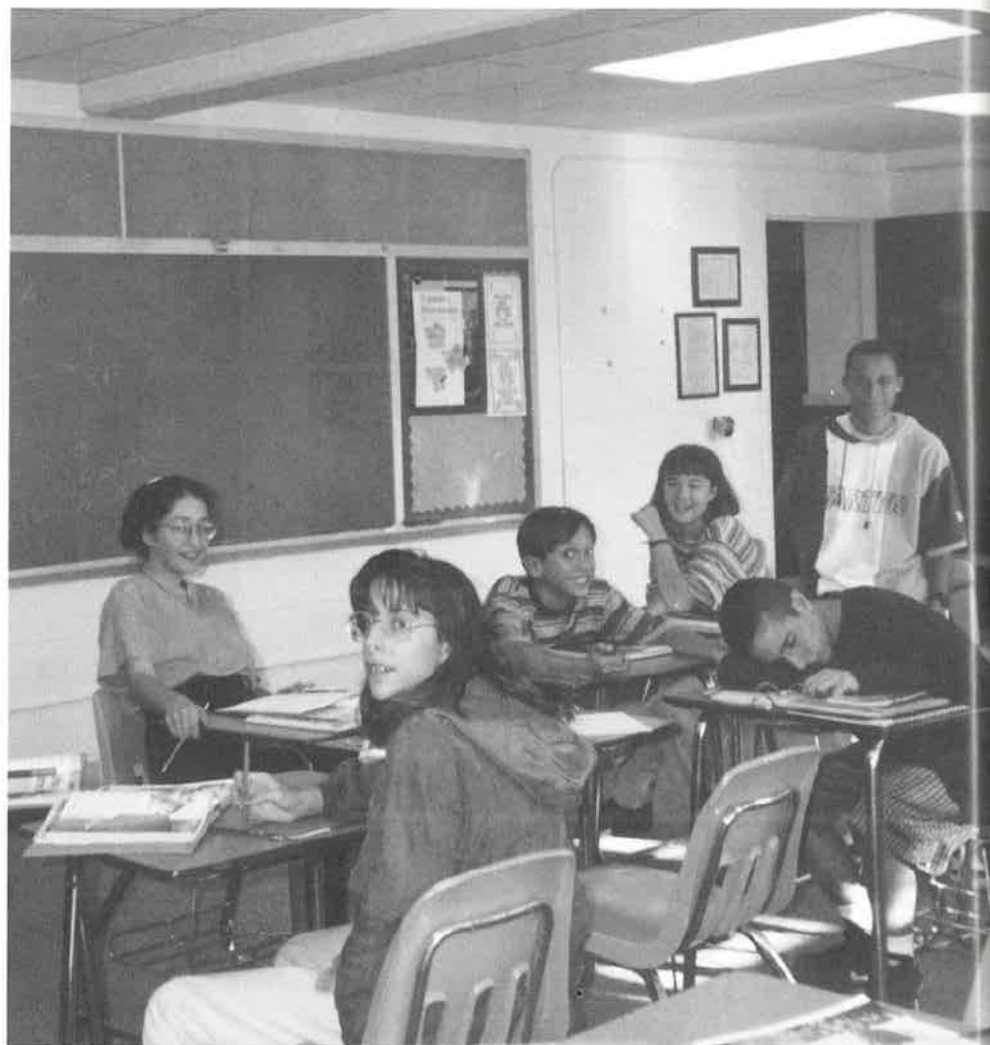
Right
There is room in music appreciation for anyone who wants to learn.



After class, however, there is always a good chance you'll find class members taking in a game of football or participating in an event themselves.

Right
Moments before class...
But at least everyone is
in their seat and ready.

Below
Tiffany and Brad get like
this sometimes after
lunch.



This is as orderly as you'll ever see them.



Stephanie can use glue and not even get her finger
stuck together... any more.



Left
Hey, Matt. You've got
the sticks but you still
need the drums there
buddy!



Left
Nathan gets into his
studies.

Below
Brian and Carlos, why
the guilty looks?



Beverly Brinkley and
Kristen Fitzsimmons
aren't bored; they're tired
from studying so hard.

Left
Kristen and Brad help
each other with home-
work.

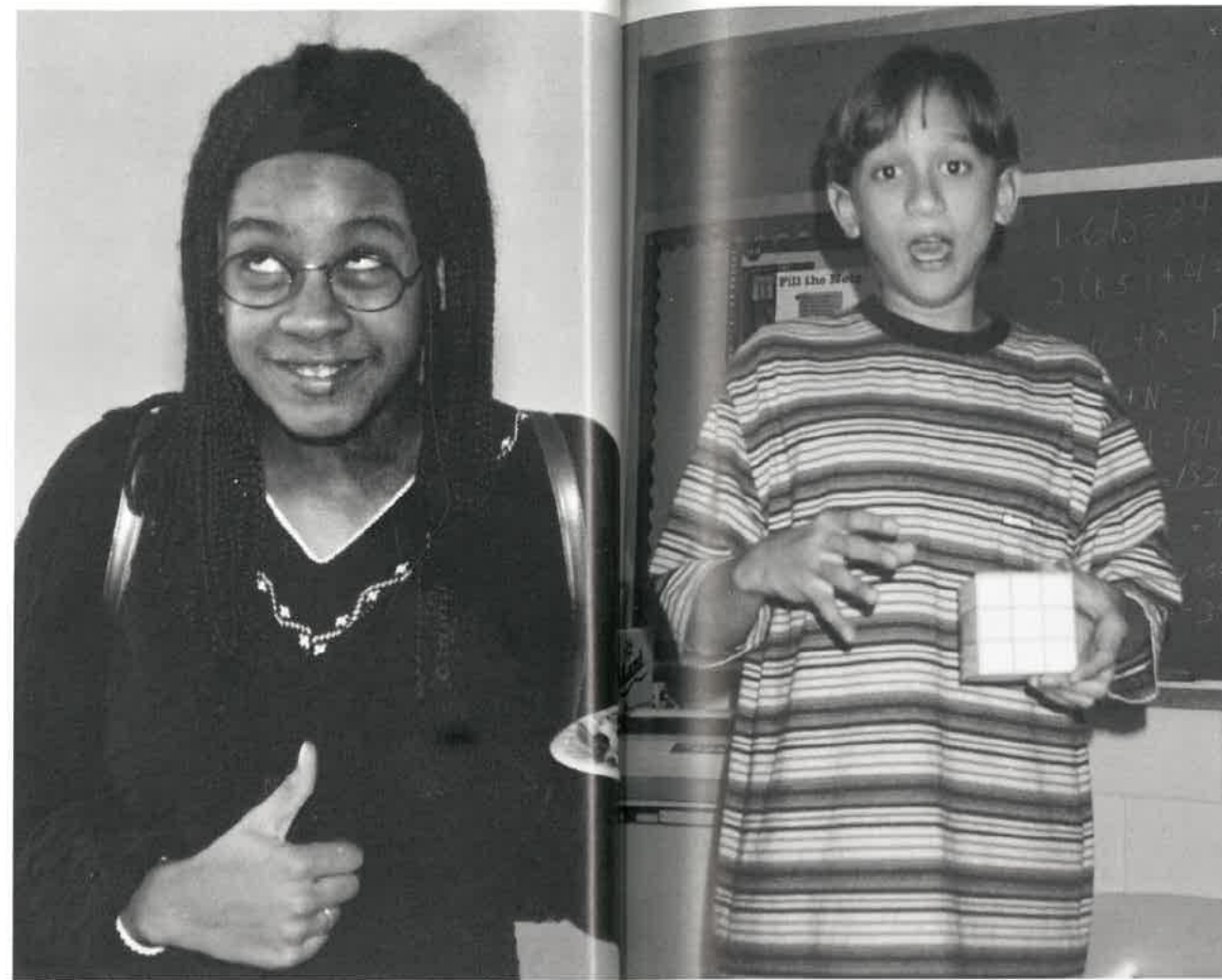
Below

A health class who all sit on the same side of the room look like a breakfast cereal commercial.



Right

Dawnte Early shows her approval of the food. Our question: What is it?



Left

Brian gets ready to strangle "the cube."



Left

Jody does his best to impersonate a Dallas Cowboy -- maybe in a few years Jody!

Below

Michelle Fuller arrived in November and got to work right away at the library.

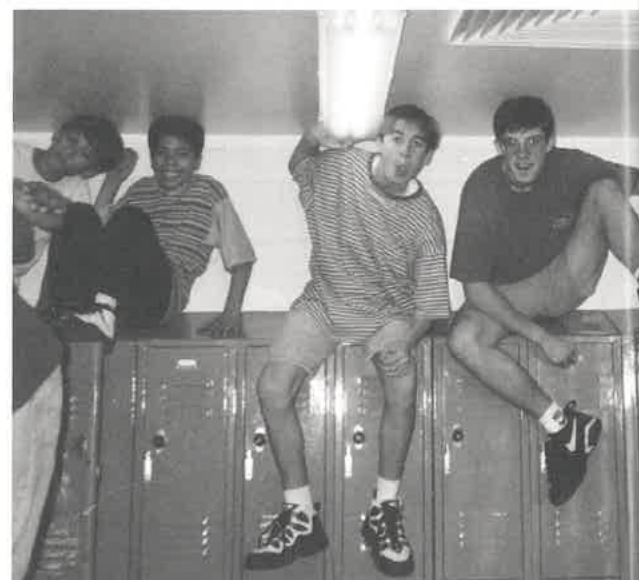


The Meaning of...

8TH GRADE

Eighth grade. What does it mean? It means that although we are not the littlest ones in school anymore, we are not treated like we have a whole lot of authority. Life at Lajes is a unique experience. Starting the year off with a crowd of new faces and saying good-bye to old friends.

We were also privileged to have the experience of taking classes with upper classmen. That experience itself could last a lifetime. The kind of friends you make at Lajes cannot be found anywhere else and we will never forget them. We will also never forget the wonderful windy days and the smell of salt air.



It's an 8th grade thing!



Some of the 8th grade class gets together for a little stairwell chat. Why aren't these kids in class?

Right
Thank God
for calcula-
tors, eh
Dante?



James Ratliff looks
thrilled to tears in sci-
ence class. Maybe he
didn't get the joke -
Yamika seems to have.



Right
Laura is too busy writing
an English paper to smile
and wave for the cam-
era.



James Kohlwes has no problem with
camera shyness.

Amidst the
study and
work there is
always at
least one
person who
can smile!

CLASS OF 2001





Lara Jane Abuyen



Jennifer Amato



Tonia Anthony



Kourtney Barnes



Ryan Bergmann



Steven Bliujus



Tiffany Boling



Matthew Bruce



Courtney Clark



Angela Collins



Jenny Compton



Joshua Cook



Susanne DeCaccia



Danielle Dittig



Joy Drafton



Jennifer Frederick



Casey Gannon



Justin Garcia



Bradley Glenn



Cammie Hamrick



Elysa Hamrick



Yasmin Han-Serrano



Noah Hopper



Adriana King



Albanie King



Nicole Lohr



Candido Mendes



Derick Morrison



Michael Musgrove



August Nelson



Top
Hard at work in the
computer lab.



Above
Dining on fine cuisine.

Right
Nicole Lohr at the
board



Christopher Pascoe



Kristopher Schoby



Desiree Sibole



Jenna Smith



Kyle Smith



Brian Stahl



Brandon Sweatt



David Tucker



Rochelle Tucker



Jerry Van Liere



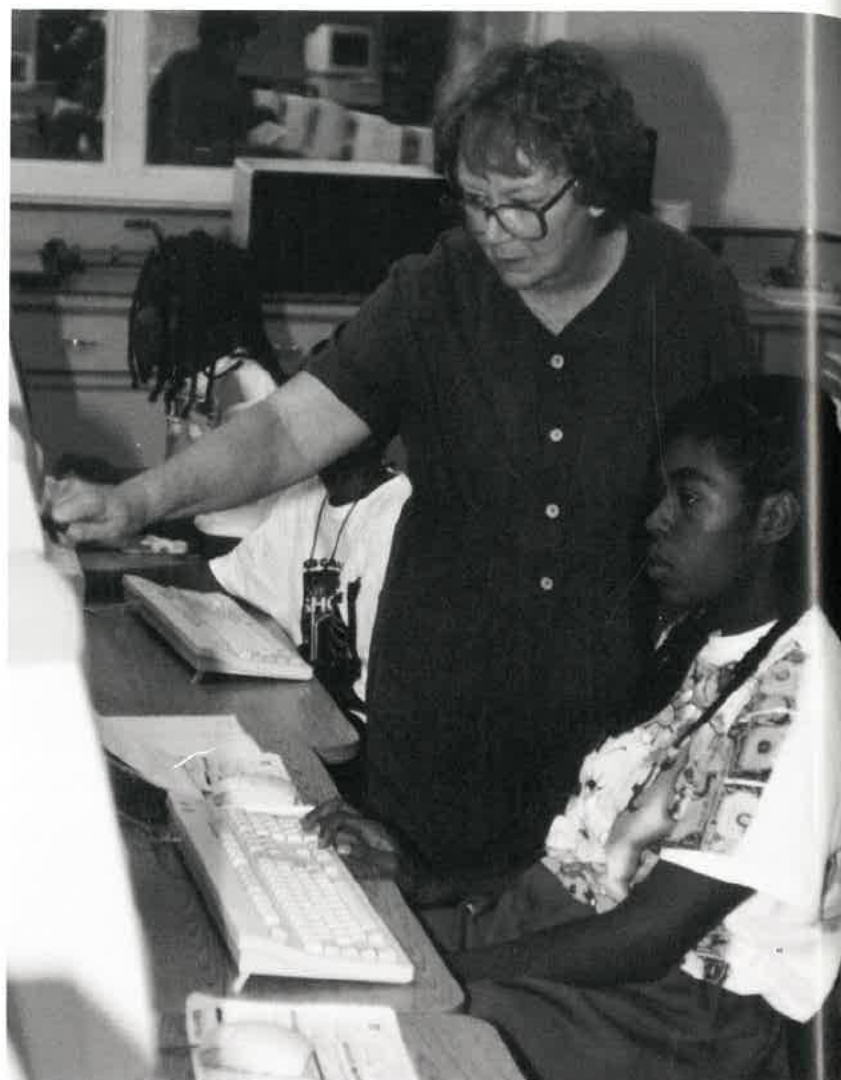
Carl Wankowski



Jovon Williams



Carl in his Sunday best during Spirit Week.



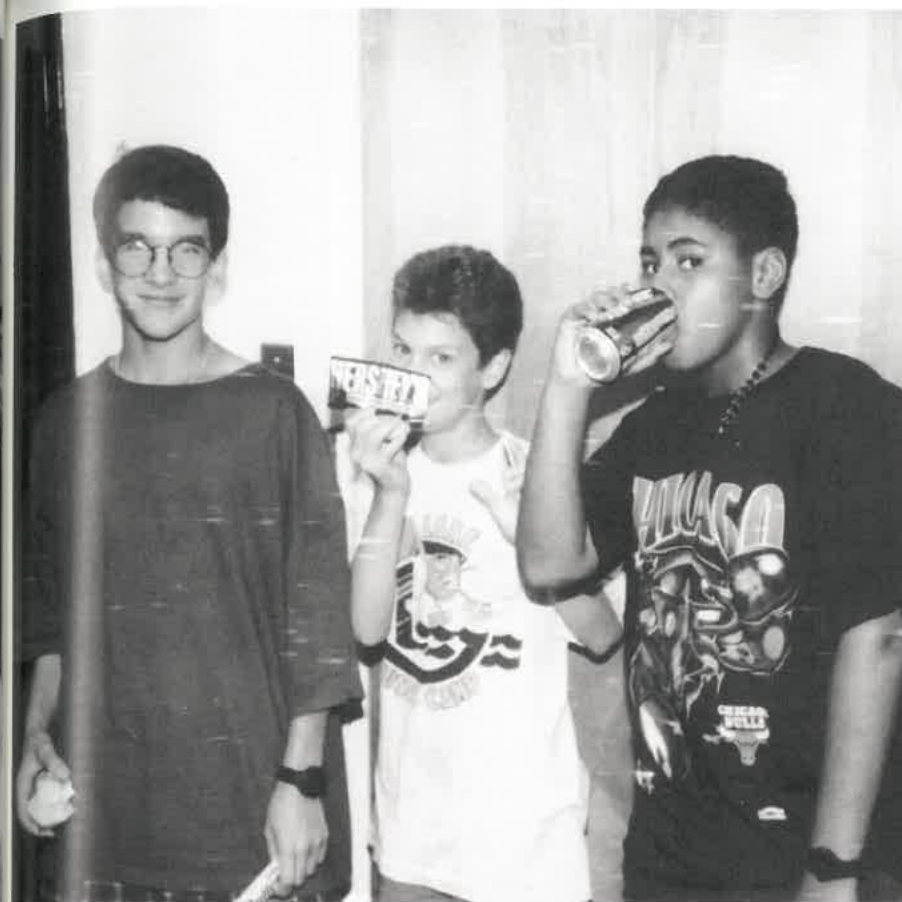
Mrs. White teaches keyboarding to Joy.



The 7th graders compete against the 8th graders for the Junior Spirit Stick during a football pep rally.



Cammie and Matt in science are trying to make a musical instrument out of water. It sounds nice but raises havoc with the electric microphones.



Christopher, Josh and Jovon get a healthy and nutritious lunch from the five basic food groups -- caffeine, sugar, chocolate, that orange stuff in a Butterfinger and fruit.



Mr. Paulin shows Tonia how to dissect a fish using nothing but a computer program. Chris and Noah watch the delicate digital operation.



Even the scientist who made Frankenstein had an assistant. David has two as he mixes some unknown components with the help of Jenny and Kyle.

Right: Ms. Byman helps Nicole Lohr with computer studies.



Right: Hey! Don't look at the keyboard Jennal



Rochelle takes a break. Don't want to get carpal tunnel syndrome!



Albanie, Brandon and Adriana help out with the Cross Roads Players version of *A Christmas Carol*. The 7th grade class helped make the holiday play a rousing success.



The class field trip to the Algar do Carvao caves was a day out of the classroom, but not a day away from class work.



Noah's playing games - cut that out.

There's more to school than reading, writing and arithmetic

Making Music

7th Graders Get Into Swing of Band



Desiree, Tonia and Lara get together on the saxaphones.



Candido Mendes marches to his own drummer.



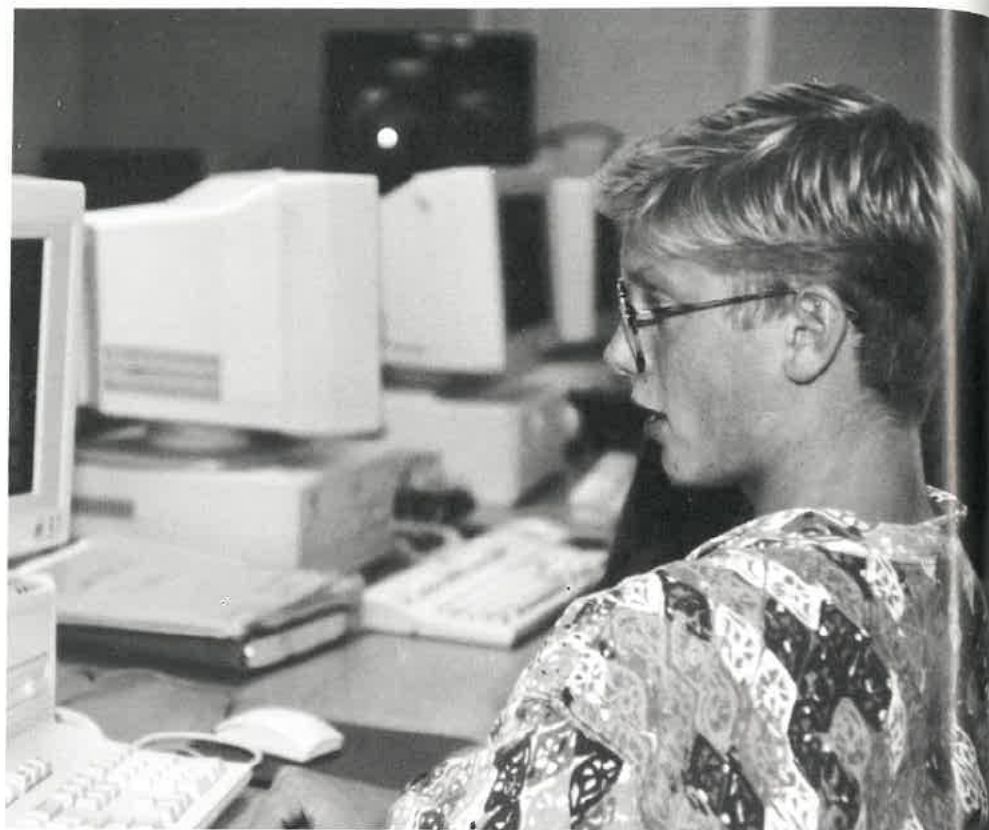
Richard, Mike and Derick harmonize in the trumpet section.



Albanie, Jenny and Kamika pierce the air with their whispering flutes.



Courtney Clark



Gus Nelson gives a blank stare to a computer studies computer.

What would you do to make the world a better place if you were President?



Tiffany Bolling

Reduce crime and get rid of drugs. Start a program to get people to work all together.



Margarita Wells

Clean up the environment. Stop cutting trees and protect the resources we have left.



Michael Musgrove

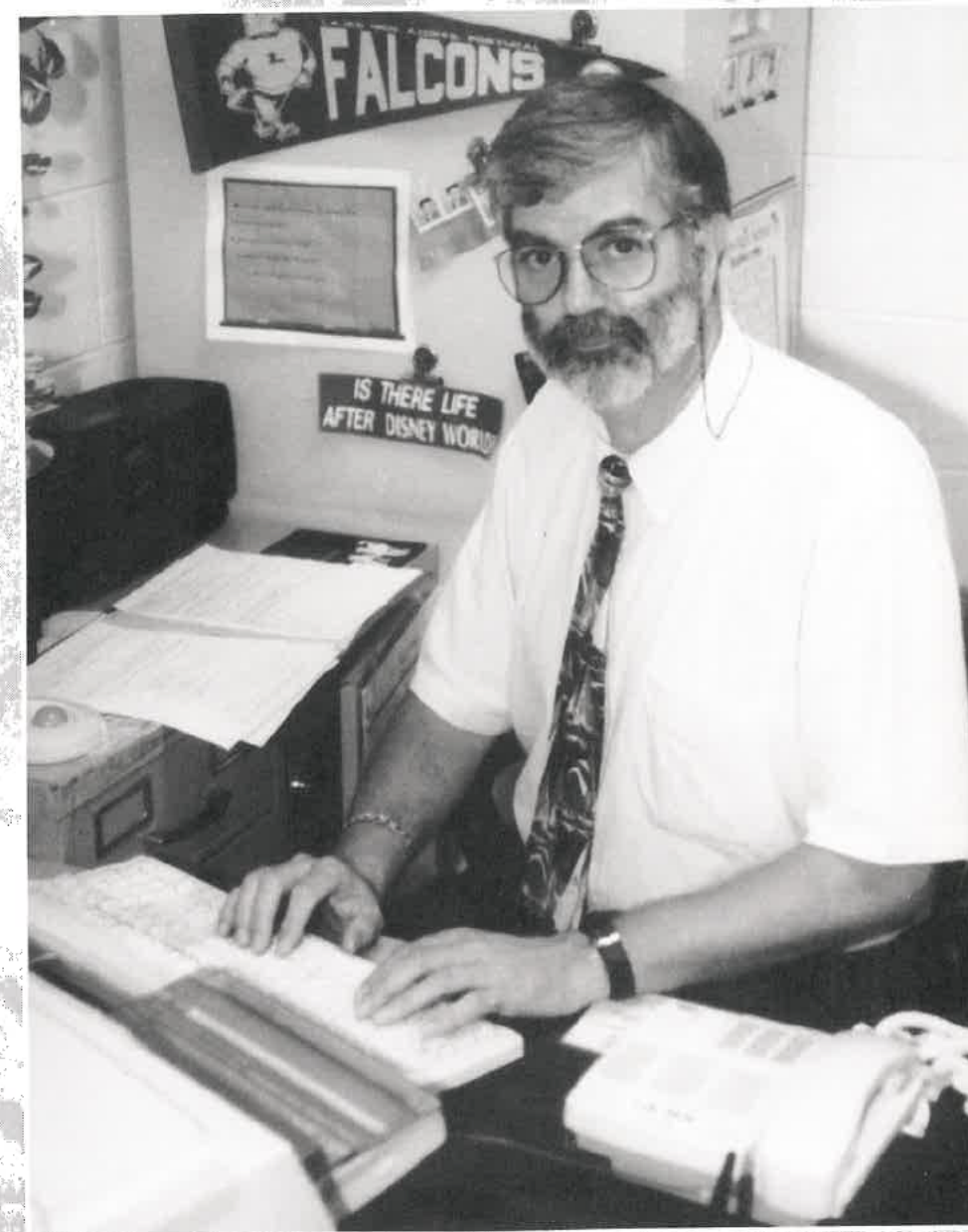
Build electric cars to keep environment clean and eliminate nuclear power plants.



Derick Morrison

Work to change laws to make tougher sentences for criminals and help protect the environment.

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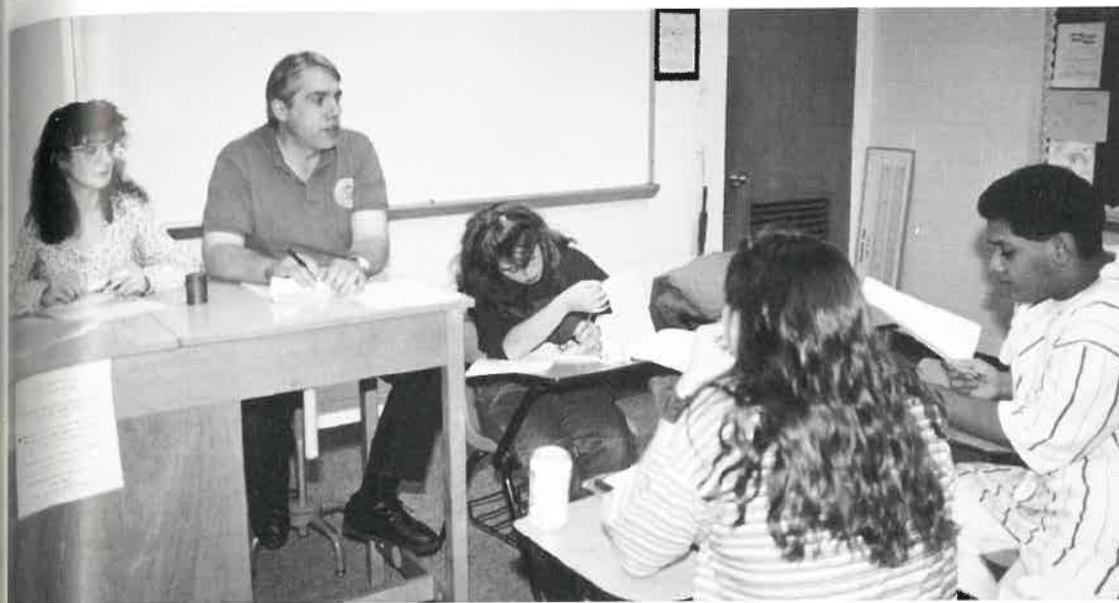
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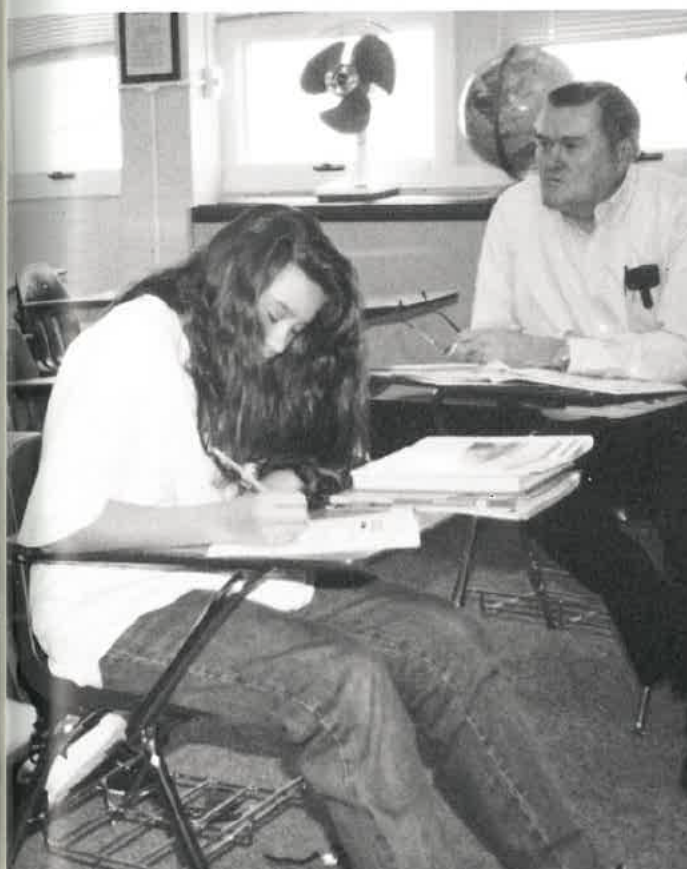
Nancy Trukositz
Harvey Wetz



EDUCATING A GENERATION



Mr. Brown is the sponsor of the school's student council.



Above: Mr. Wetz watches as his students take a Spanish test. Right: Mrs. White helps one of her students in keyboarding.



Mrs. Bockman gets among the students during a class.



From left: Mr. Brown, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Bockman, Ms. Falcao-Toste and Mrs. Trukositz.



Mr. Rowe does some work on the board during a math class. Mr. Rowe doubles as a technical education teacher as well.



Mr. Brown, administrative assistant keeps things running smoothly for the faculty staff.



Ms. Krom, physical education teacher, shows Jenna the finer points of volleyball.

CLASS POLL EXTRA CURRICULAR



SENIORS



James and Dawn -- Best Appearance



James and Dawn -- Class Clowns



Scott and Dawn -- Most Athletic



Scott and Dawn -- Most School Spirit



Dawn and James -- Most Likely to Succeed



Ellen and Scott -- Biggest Flirts



Khisha and James -- Most Friendly



Norma and Mark -- Biggest Flirts



Melissa and Jarrod -- Class Clowns



Tut and Kristi -- Friendliest



Norma and Jarrod -- Most School Spirit

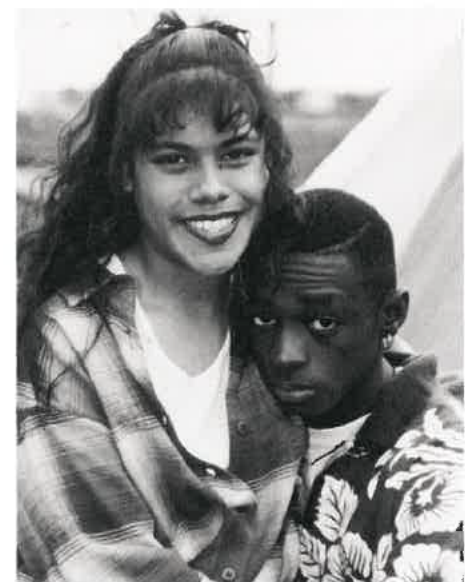
JUNIORS



Jarrod and Schantel -- Most Athletic



Jessica and Josh -- Most Likely to Succeed



Norma and Jarrod -- Best Appearance

Jale and
Chris --
Biggest
Flirts



Mark and Rachel -- Friendliest



Jale and Chris -- Class Clowns



Mike and Crystal -- Most
School Spirit

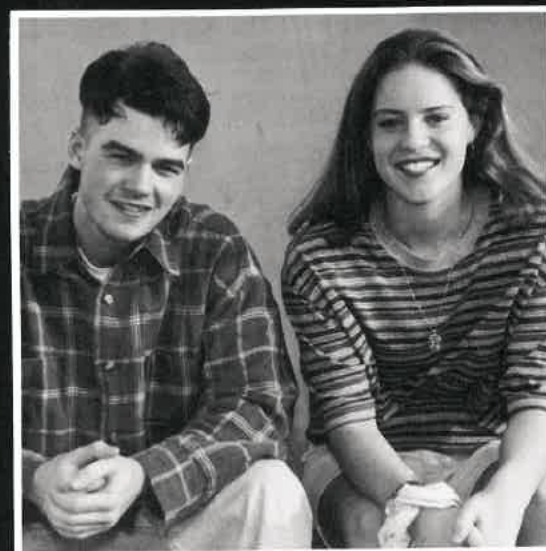


Rachel and Brian -- Most
Athletic



Dan and Rachel -- Most Likely to Suc-
ceed

THE CLASS OF 1998-- SOPHOMORES

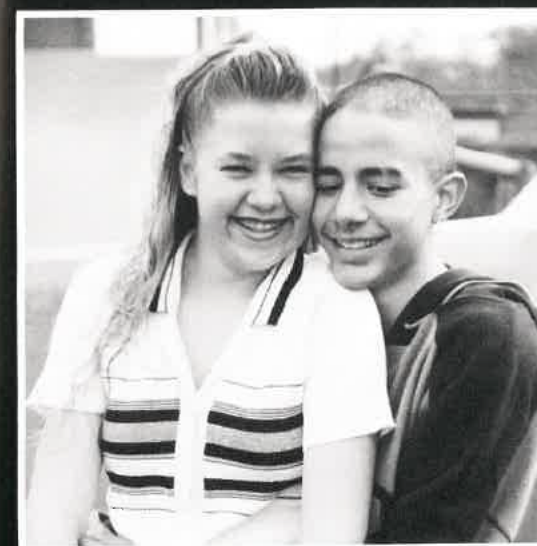


Ryan and Rachel -- Best Appearance

THE CLASS OF 1999-- FRESHMEN



Stephanie and Rich -- Class Clowns



Rachel and Freddie -- Most School Spirit



Josh and Shari
-- Most Likely to
Succeed



Anthony and
Jenna -- Most
Athletic



Anthony and
Emily -- Big-
gest Flirts



Freddie and
Andrea -- Best
Appearance



Chris and
Gillian --
Friendliest

CLASS OF 2000



Laura and Brian -- Class Clowns



Brad and Mika -- Friendliest



Kristen and Jody -- Best Appearance



Albanie and Gus -- Most Athletic



Josh and Albanie -- Most School Spirit



Jerry and Danielle -- Friendliest



Albanie and Brandon -- Best Appearance



Mike and Casey -- Most Likely To Succeed



Jody and Laura -- Biggest Flirts



Christina and Jody -- Most Athletic



Kristie and Brad -- Most Likely to Succeed



Christina and Nick -- Most School Spirit



Justin and Cammie -- Biggest Flirts



Carl and Joy -- Class Clowns

CLASS OF 2001

SPIRIT WEEK



Let there be Football!

Carl - The picture is so good we used it twice.

Kristi and Liz selling tickets to homecoming.



Dawn comes out for the volleyball team.



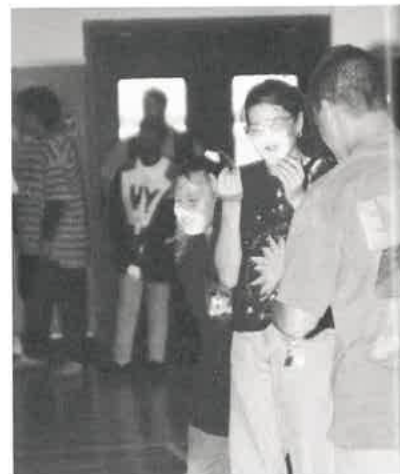
Josh during the football team introductions.



Football is a key ingredient to Spirit Week.



Pep rally - Yelling it up for the Spirit Stick.



Take flour and add Ellen, Allyson and Scott.



Falcon fans freeze fannys during homecoming.



And the band played on...

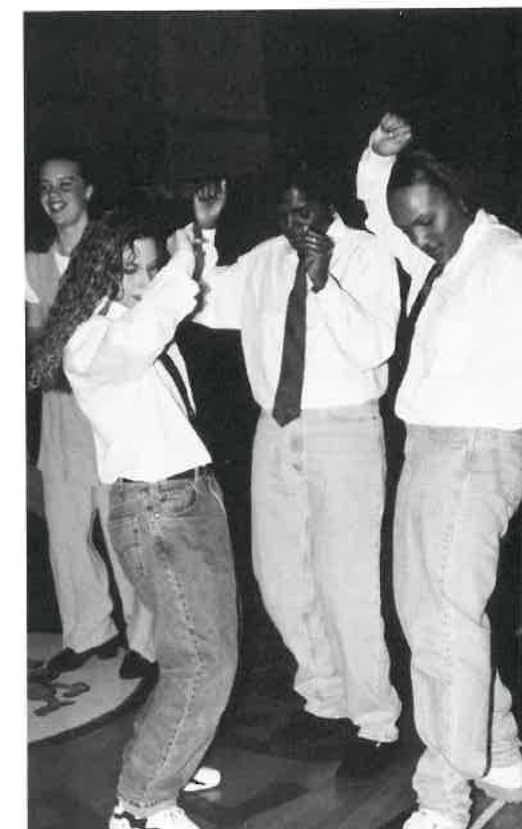
Weird dancing is something to see but it's never done better than during homecoming.



Gillian, Jessica and Crystal get all dressed up for the homecoming dance.



Dan and Emily.



Left: Ellen and Scott were the Senior King and Queen. Above: Ellen, Khisha and Dawn get down to some serious dancing.



The 1995 Homecoming Court.

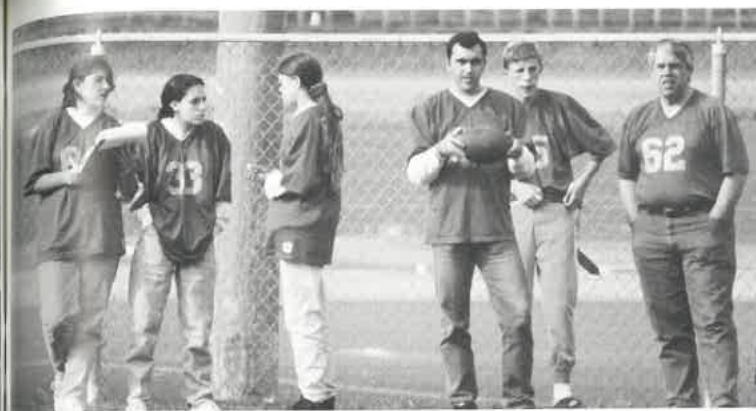
FOOTBALL



The team: 85, Larry, coach; 7, Paul Compton; 10, Anthony Gonzales; 30, Tony Plyler; 67, Scott Smith; 25, Daniel Moser; 22, Josh Murphy; 62, Mr. Brown, coach; 33, Erica Kellar, manager; 20, Chris Medina; 2, Brian Carpenter; 32, Gillian Caron; and 34, Antonio Ribeiro.



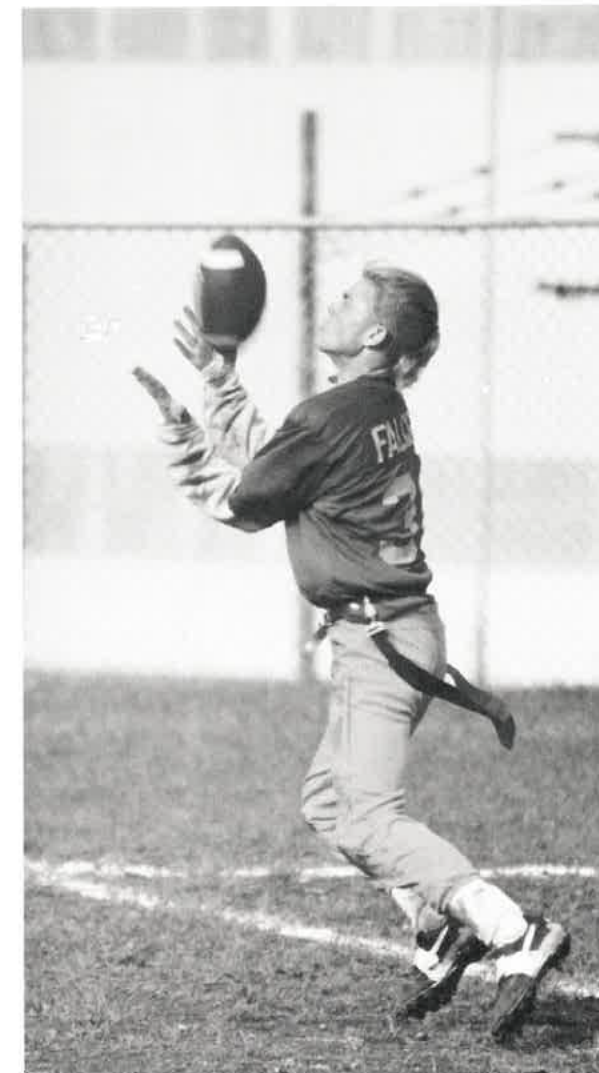
Tony makes his move on a defender. Right: Quarterback power - Danny launches.



The coaches get good seats for a good game.



Paul hikes the ball to Antonio.



Tony returns a kick off.



The boys football team gets ready for another play.



GIRL'S VOLLEYBALL

Turkey District Runner's Up 1995

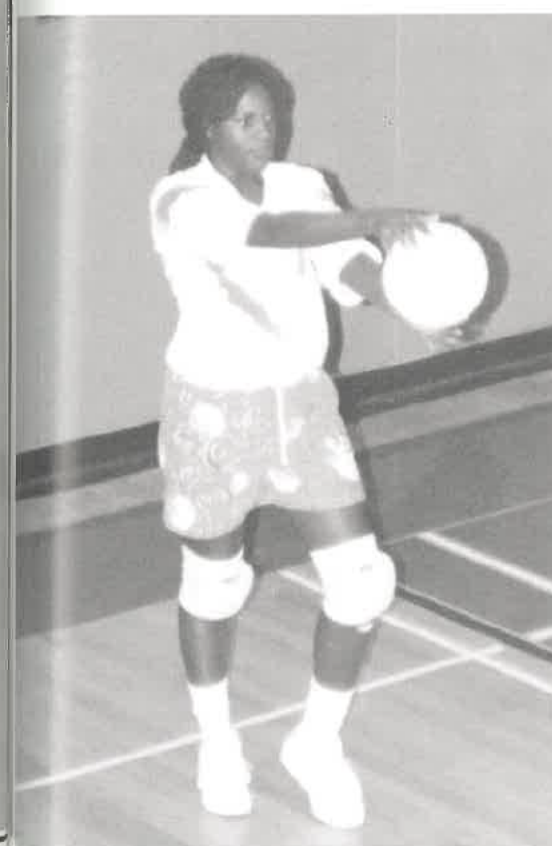


1995 Girl's Volleyball

LHS	vs	MSS	11-15, 5-15
LHS	vs	COMM	15-7, 15-9
LHS	vs	SPS	15-5, 15-1
LHS	vs	SPS	15-8, 15-1
LHS	vs	COMM	15-7, 15-4
LHS	vs	MSS	7-15, 12-15
LHS	vs	Izmir	5-15, 15-13, 15-10, 7-15, 15-5
LHS	vs	Incirlik	15-10, 11-15, 15-3, 15-9
LHS	vs	Ankara	4-15, 15-5, 5-15, 6-15
LHS	vs	Rota	15-7, 15-1, 15-12



The Team -- Coach Masone; 14 - Jackie Fischer; 11 - Chay Rhem; 9 - Dawn James; 13 - Allison Lohr; 12 - Shantel Burgess; 16 - Brigitte Wetz; 10 - Ellen Ponson; 24 - Melissa Smith; 5 - Holly Van Liere; 8 - Rachel Bruning; 6 - Roxie Paramore; 15 - Stephanie Kingsbury; 17 - Larissa Mendes; 3 - Candace Bacinski; 21 - Michelle Guandin; 7 - Khisha Gomes.



Khisha into her serve.



Roxie -- what a mess!

FALCONS BASKETBALL



Brian makes a pass to the inside. At right, Tony drives to the hoop.



Dawn James takes a break from her referee duties.



Freddy passes to Dan. At right, Ryan gets his lay-up off and in for two.

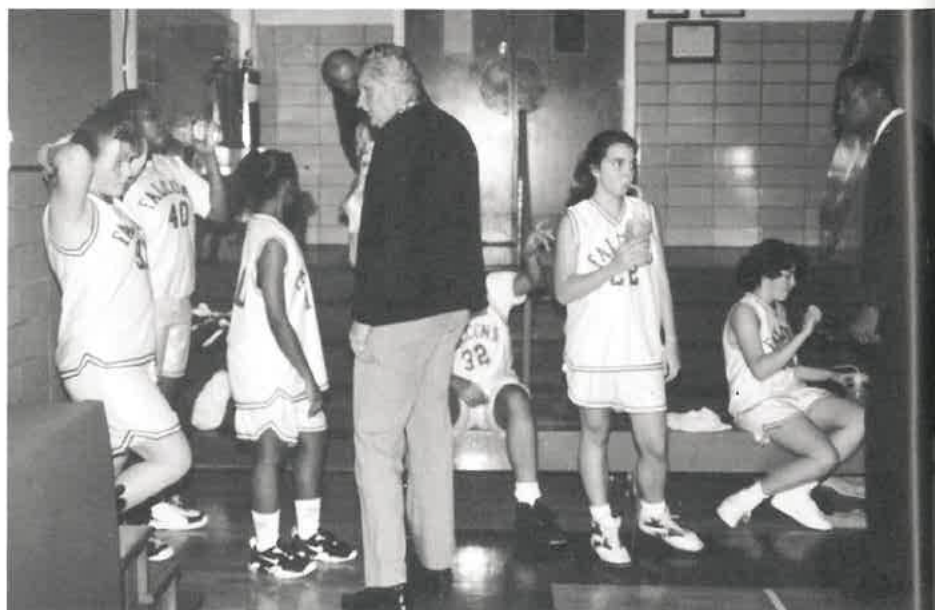


Mr. Massone, the coach, goes over some plays during halftime.

LADY FALCONS BASKETBALL



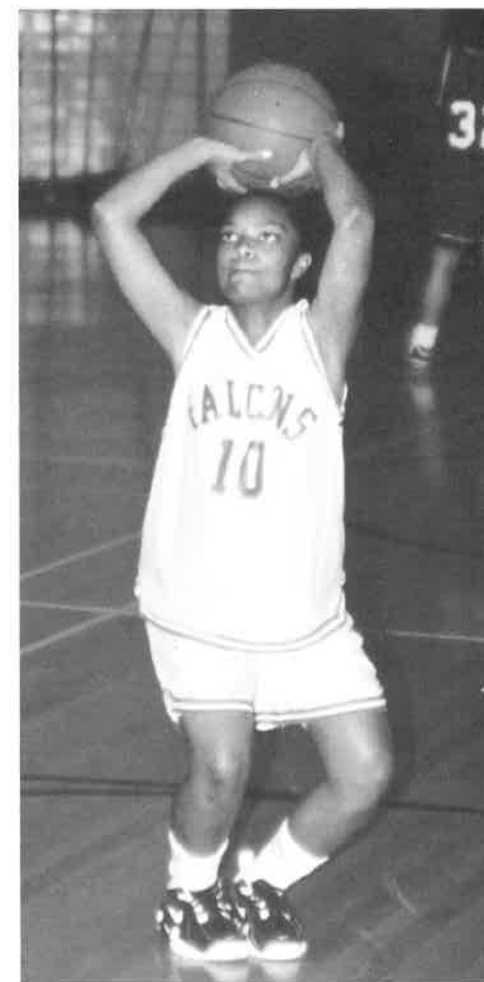
Celetia makes her move toward the hoop. Above right, Schantel warms up on the foul line and at right, Coach Klatt gives his team some inspiration.



Candace, Roxie, Dan and Richard look on as the Lady Falcons take on their latest opponent.



Rachel looks for an open person to pass to as the red team moves in.



Celetia shows her point-scoring form on the foul line before a game.

CHEERLEADERS



Christina,
Rachel, Crystal
Emily, Norma and Andrea.



Emily, Ellen, Christina,
Jennifer, Erica and An-
drea.



KING WINDOWGLASS



Holly, Ryan and Chris take to the stage during the school's adaptation of the Christmas classic Good King Wenceslas.



Above Roxie, Melissa, Candace and Schantel stand by before their singing parts in the play. At left, Tony plays a woodsman.



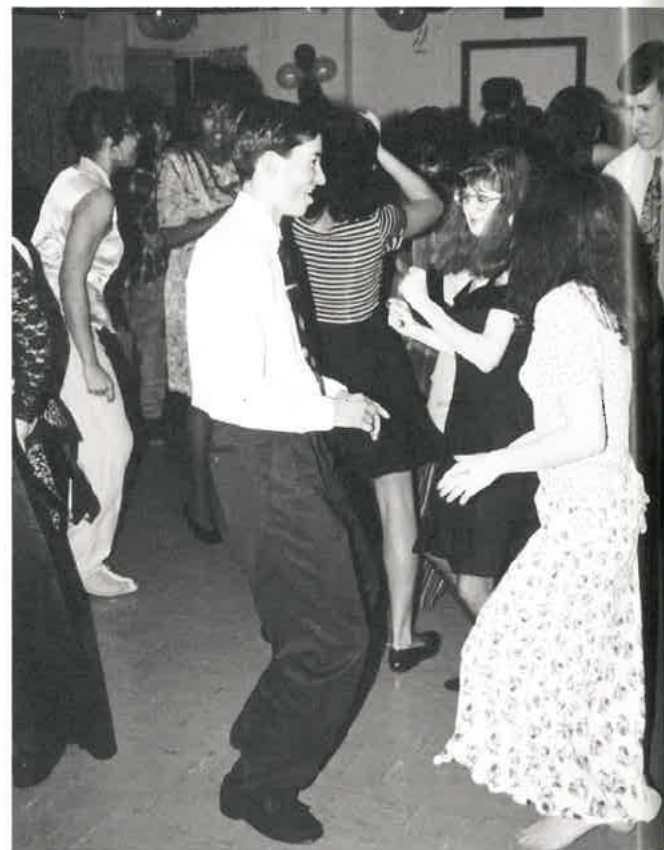
At top the choir performs during the Christmas concert while above the band takes their turn on stage.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

♥ Sweetheart Ball 1996 ♥



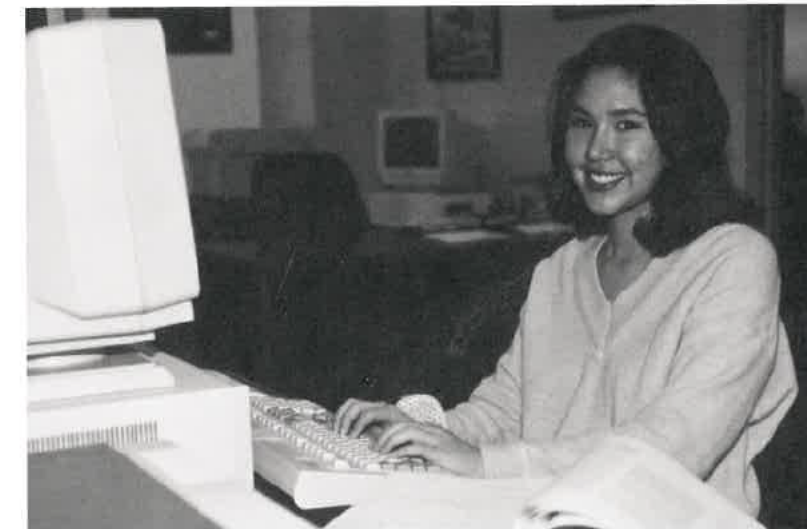
Above: James and Liz take King and Queen honors at the Sweetheart Ball. Right: And a good time was had by all.



COOPERATIVE WORK EXPERIENCE



Above: Liz Tutwiler takes care of some filing during her stint with the base contracting office. Right: Phil Keim gets his hands dirty repairing a transmission at the vehicle maintenance facility.



Left: Paul Compton puts away some weights during his shift working at the base gym. Above: Jessica Kovach writes a story for the base newspaper.

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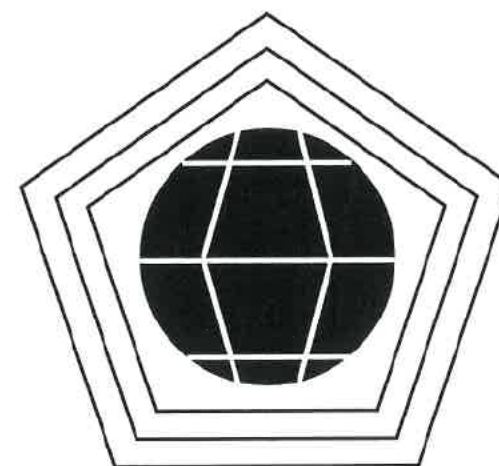
Back row, left to right: Stephanie Kingsbury, Jale Andrews, Candace Bacinski, Tonia Anthony, James Rafiner and James Caron. Front row: Yamika McGee, Tiffany Pena, Rachel Rodriguez and Jessica Kovach. Not pictured: Norma Sanchez, Chay Rehm, Tony Plyler, and Christina Wankowski.

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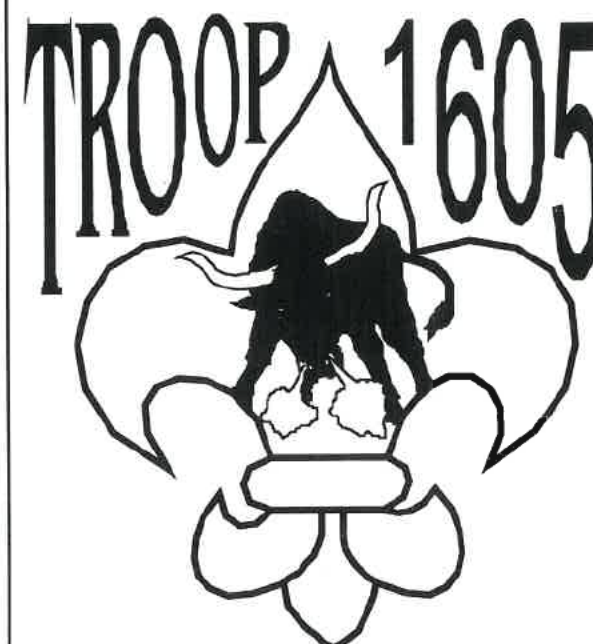
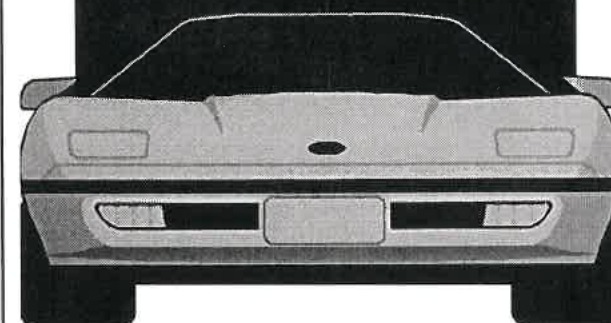


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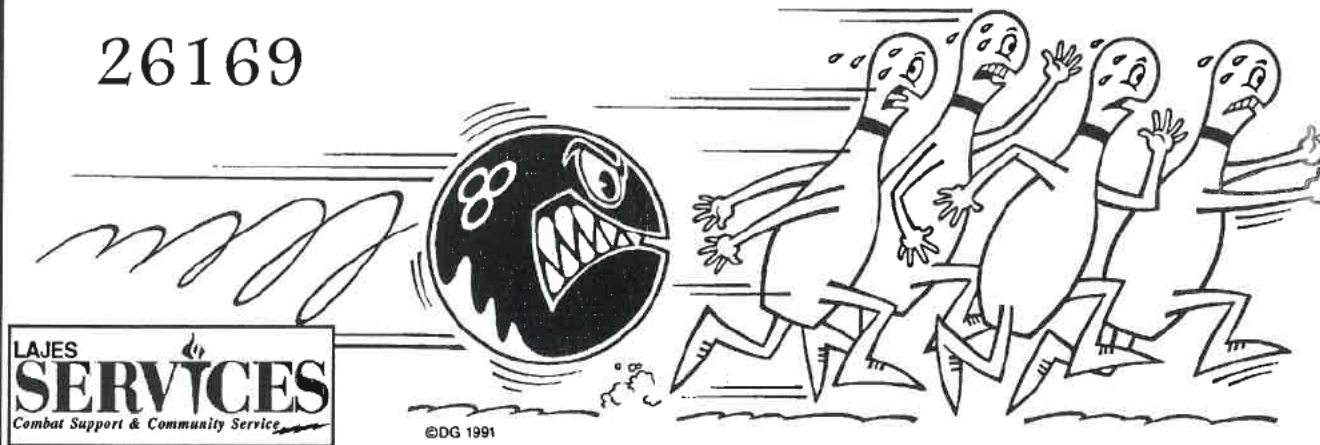


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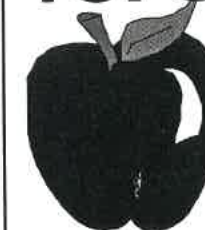
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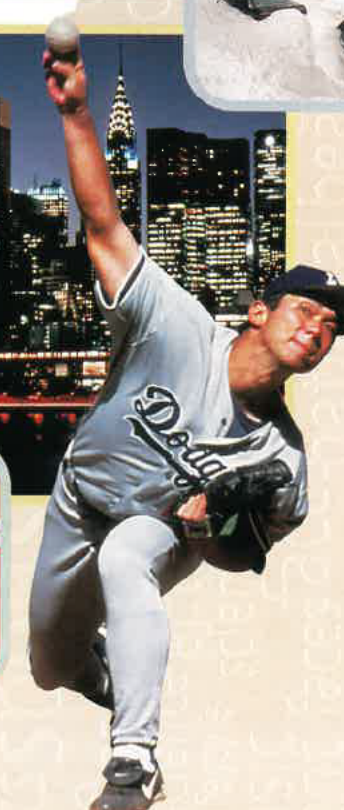
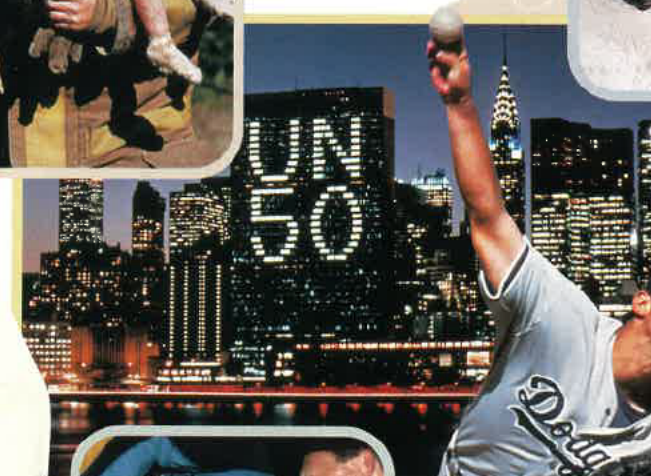
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G. Korganow, Gamma/Liaison

French transportation workers strike against their government throughout the month of December, shutting down the airlines and the metro system, after France increases the retirement age from 50 to 55 and lengthens the work week from 37 to 39 hours in efforts to cut spending.

AP/Wide World



Wrap artist Christo creates "Wrapped Reichstag" for the city of Berlin by covering the former home of the German parliament with one million square feet of silver fabric in June.



Reuters/Archive Photo



In late May, a doctor performs emergency surgery aboard British Airways flight 32 using a coat hanger, a knife and fork, and a scissors sterilized in brandy to save a woman whose life is threatened by a collapsed lung.

Tahitian protests escalate into riots after France detonates a nuclear test device 750 miles from the South Pacific island. France's September resumption of tests after a three-year moratorium brings global condemnation.



Philippe Giraud, Sygma



Schneider Pool from Gamma/Liaison

Heads of many of the 186 member nations gather in New York to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations in October.



John Ferra, Sygma

In a powerful address to the U.N.'s Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, attended by 30,000 women from 180 countries, U.S. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton declares, "Women's rights are human rights," to a desk-thumping, applauding audience.



Dan Dean, Gamma/Liaison

Shock waves hit the Middle East when Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is shot and killed while leaving a peace rally in Tel Aviv November 4. His murderer, Jewish extremist Yigal Amir, fanatically opposes peace negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.



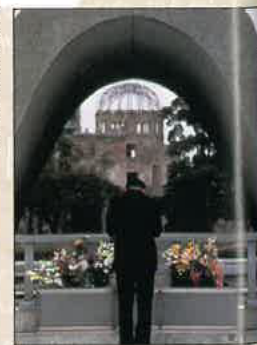
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Marxist Cuban President Fidel Castro abandons his Havana cigar and military fatigues for a suit and tie on a diplomatic visit to New York in October, where he tries to convince the U.S. to lift its 33-year-old trade embargo on still-communist Cuba.



J.L. Press/AP from Bettmann

Madman Shoko Asahara, leader of the Japanese apocalyptic religious cult, Aum Shinrikyo, is arrested on May 16 and charged with the Tokyo subway nerve-gas attack that left 12 people dead and injured 5,500 more in March.



AP/Wide World

Fifty years after the end of World War II, Japan remembers those killed by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A solitary building left standing after the blast, now a memorial called the Atomic Bomb Dome, symbolizes the horrors of war and the price of peace.



Brook Kraft, Sygma

Quebec, Canada's largely French-speaking province, defeats an October referendum on Quebec independence by a margin of less than one percent.



Thomas Renaut, Gamma/Liaison

In July, without public explanations, Burma's military rulers free the country's most famous political prisoner, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of the pro-democracy movement and Nobel peace laureate, after six years of house arrest.



Oliver Brunsell, Altpost

Russian figure skater Sergei Grinkov, 28, collapses and dies from a heart attack during practice with his wife-partner Ekaterina Gordeeva on November 20. The pair won two Olympic gold medals and four world pairs titles.



Great Britain's Princess Diana shocks Buckingham Palace with a tell-all BBC interview. Defying royal protocol, she discusses her marriage to unfaithful husband, Prince Charles, her struggle with depression and bulimia, and an extramarital affair. The majority of English people express their support and sympathy.



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Securities trader Nicholas Leeson is arrested in Germany in March 1995 for fraud, forgery, and breach-of-trust. Leeson racked up a \$1.32 billion loss that caused the collapse of Barings PLC, the 233-year-old British bank.

An earthquake kills 51 people on the resort-studded Pacific coast of Mexico. The quake measures 7.5 on the Richter scale and is felt 330 miles away in Mexico City.



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J. Ferra, Sygma

The first U.S. president to visit Northern Ireland, President Clinton receives a warm Christmas welcome for his show of support for peace between Irish Protestants and Catholics.

Hurricane Marilyn inflicts millions of dollars of damage in the Virgin Islands in September. Winds up to 127 miles per hour severely damage half the homes on St. Thomas.



G. Williams, Gamma/Liaison

In November, the Republic of Ireland narrowly passes a referendum calling for an end to the country's 1937 constitutional ban on divorce.

While competing in an international balloon race in September, two hot air balloonists, one English and one American, are shot down when their balloon floats off course over Belarus. The Belarussian army sees the balloon as a security threat and fires without warning. The balloonists fall to their death.

More than four years after Desert Storm, Iraq's President Saddam Hussein remains in power, though two of his sons-in-law defect to Jordan on August 8 and call for Hussein's overthrow.



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Hope blooms for peace in Bosnia when Bosnia's President Izetbegovic (left) shakes hands with Serbia's President Milosevic on the opening day of the November cease-fire talks in Dayton, Ohio. Croatia's President Tudjman looks on. The ensuing Paris peace agreement of December sends 60,000 NATO peacekeeping troops to the war-torn country.

A San Francisco sewer line bursts under pressure from battering rainstorms, creating a monster sinkhole that swallows a \$2-million house in the Sea Cliff district. One-hundred-mile-per-hour winds knock out power to tens of thousands of homes and nearly blow a truck off the Bay Bridge.



Brant Ward, San Francisco Chronicle/Gamma/Liaison

Three days of drenching rains in the Pacific Northwest swell rivers to overflowing, causing severe flooding in Washington in December. In the town of Carnation, a pastor conveys a woman to dry land with a wheelbarrow.



AP/Wide World



African-American men from across the country converge on Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March on October 16. The march, led by Nation-of-Islam minister Louis Farrakhan, promotes African-American unity, dignity, and family values.



Larry Downing, Sygma



AFP/Bettmann



The federal government repeals the national 55-mile-per-hour highway speed limit, enacted in 1974 during the oil embargo. The legislation allows states to set their own limits. On Montana highways, speed limits are eliminated completely.

Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady (right) is rescued from pursuing Bosnian Serb forces by U.S. Marines on June 8, six days after his plane is shot down over Bosnia. O'Grady survived on insects, plants, and rainwater.

The image of firefighter Chris Fields holding one-year-old Baylee Almon, who later dies, comes to symbolize the horror of the April 19 bombing of the Oklahoma City Federal Building that killed 150 adults and 19 children.



Charles H. Porter, IV, Sygma

As more Americans invest, Wall Street enjoys a bull market. In November, the Dow-Jones Industrial Average hits 5000, a milestone indicating healthy corporate profits and low interest rates.



On April 30, the adoptive parents of four-year-old "Baby Richard" comply with an Illinois court order to turn the child over to his biological parents.



Zleiterbach, Chicago Tribune from Gamma/Liaison



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The government shuts down for six days in November after the President and Congress fail to agree on how to balance the federal budget. The shutdown affects non-essential federal services, including the National Park Service. A longer shutdown follows in December.

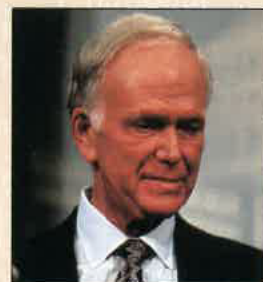
Despite Americans' doubts and fears, U.S. troops head for Bosnia in December. The 20,000 U.S. forces, serving under NATO command beside 40,000 European allies, face the task of keeping peace among the country's warring Serbs, Croats and Muslims.

The State of South Carolina sentences Susan Smith to life in prison for the drowning murder of her two young sons in 1994.

An anonymous donor sends St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis \$1 million in the form of a winning ticket from McDonald's November "Monopoly" sweepstakes game.

In the wake of a growing number of random attacks from assailants with knives and guns, White House security is forced to close Pennsylvania Avenue to traffic.

After allegedly ignoring federal pollution regulations for years, General Motors agrees under threat of an \$11-million fine to recall 500,000 Cadillacs at a cost of \$45 million.



Marshall, Gamma/Liaison

U.S. Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon resigns on September 7, the day after the Senate Ethics Committee voted unanimously to expel him for sexual misconduct, embarrassingly detailed in his diaries, which were made public.



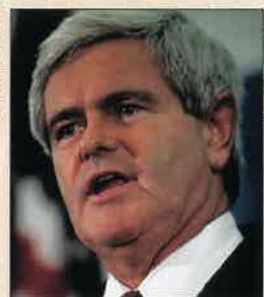
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The nation comes to a standstill on October 3 as more than 150 million people watch live TV coverage of the outcome of the nine-month-long trial of the century. After less than four hours of deliberation, the jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson not guilty of the murders of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman.



Scott Olsen, Sipa Press

Illinois suffers a record heat wave in July, with temperatures as high as 104°. The heat takes the lives of 457 people statewide. At Wrigley Stadium, Jaime Navarro helps faithful Chicago Cubs fans stay cool.



Gifford, Gamma/Liaison

After a year of fame as a conservative revolutionary, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich slumps in popularity, tainted by the government shutdown, his stalled Contract With America, and investigations into his political action committee and his financial affairs.



Lee Stone, Sygma

Two-thousand volunteer firefighters battle a raging wildfire in eastern Long Island, New York, for three days in August. The fire, following a 21-day drought, consumes 5,500 acres of pine barrens and damages a dozen homes. There are no injuries or fatalities.



AP/Wide World

A record snowfall paralyzes the East Coast in January 1996, stranding travelers and killing 100 people. Seven states, from Virginia to Massachusetts, declare emergencies. Philadelphia gets 30.7 inches of snow.



AP/Wide World

Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1969 to 1986, dies in June at age 87. Though appointed by President Richard Nixon, he ordered Nixon to turn over tapes in the Watergate hearings that effectively ended the president's career.



The Washington Post publishes a manifesto written by the unidentified killer known as "The Unabomber," at large since 1978 and wanted for 16 mail bombs that have killed 3 and injured 23. FBI agents scrutinize the article for clues to the bomber's identity.



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A Chicago commuter train slams into the back end of a loaded school bus. The accident, allegedly caused by a poorly timed stoplight placed too near the tracks, kills 7 students and injures 28 on October 25.



Bettmann Archive

American women celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote. Women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) first organized the fight for suffrage in 1848.

Wubbo De Jong/Het Parool from Sygma

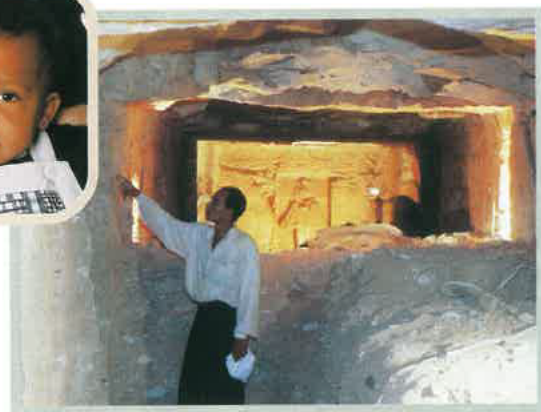


As the result of an improperly cleaned test tube at a fertility clinic, a woman in the Netherlands gives birth to twin boys, each from a different father.



NASA

A stunning photograph from the Hubble Space Telescope captures a moment in the birth of a star in the Eagle Nebula, 7,000 light years from Earth. Light from the young star's nuclear furnace lifts towering pillars of hydrogen gas and interstellar dust.



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In March, the Federal Drug Administration approves a chicken-pox vaccine. Rarely fatal, chicken-pox affects 3.7 million Americans annually.

Archaeologists discover a 3,000-year-old tomb in May that is believed to hold the remains of 52 sons of Ramses II, Pharaoh of Egypt.



Dr. Jeffrey Friedman, Gamma/Liaison

Researchers announce that they have isolated a gene in mice linked to obesity. Mice with a mutated OB gene are injected with the hormone leptin, resulting in dramatic weight loss. The public is tantalized at the prospect of leptin as a slimming treatment for use in humans.

Former rivals in space become comrades in space after the historic docking of the U.S. space shuttle *Atlantis* and Russia's *Mir* space station on June 29. Astronaut Robert Gibson (in red) greets cosmonaut Vladimir Dezhurov.



In June, volcanic eruptions give birth to a baby island. A new member of the Tonga Islands emerges near New Zealand, 900 feet high and 140 feet wide.



AP/Wide World

flash

After a decade-long search, scientists isolate what may be the most important cancer-related gene. The defective gene known as ATM is associated with cancers of the breast, colon, lung, stomach, pancreas and skin, and may be carried by two million Americans.

Astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope observe new moons orbiting the planet Saturn, adding at least 2 moons and possibly 4 to Saturn's previously known total of 18.

A team of French and British explorers believe they have found an ancient breed of horse previously unknown to scientists. In November, the four-foot high horse with a triangular head, which resembles the vanished horses of European Stone Age drawings, is named *Riwoche* for its home region in Tibet.

October satellite photographs show the recent rapid deterioration of the earth's ozone layer above Antarctica. Pollutants produced mostly by the U.S. cause the hole in the atmosphere's protective layer to increase to the size of Europe.

The movie *Apollo 13* opens in the summer after filming many of its scenes inside NASA's "zero gravity" plane, which mimics the weightlessness astronauts experience in space by diving into a 23-second freefall.



A. Tannenbaum, Sygma

Buyers rush to stores for the new computer operating system Windows 95, spurred by Microsoft Corp.'s \$700-million publicity barrage and the promise of a friendlier interface.



© Cincinnati Zoo

The world's first test-tube gorilla is born at the Cincinnati Zoo in October as part of an effort to save the western lowland gorilla, an endangered species that numbers fewer than 450 animals.



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Fossils of a jawbone (left) and leg bone (right) found in Kenya in August reveal a previously unknown species of upright hominid that lived four million years ago, pushing the emergence of bipedalism back half a million years. Walking upright is a key adaptation that separates humans from apes.



Val Mazzagari/Chicago Tribune

Media attention focuses on melatonin, a naturally occurring hormone used to induce sleep and slow the effects of aging. Lauded as a wonder drug, a kilogram of synthetic melatonin sells for as much as \$10,000.



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In a procedure known as tissue engineering, scientists grow a human ear under the skin of a laboratory mouse. Researchers hope the procedure will play an important role in the future of transplant surgery.



As a protective measure against counterfeiting in the era of digital publishing, the Treasury Department redesigns U.S. currency bills, to be issued over the next five years, starting early 1996 with the new \$100 bill.



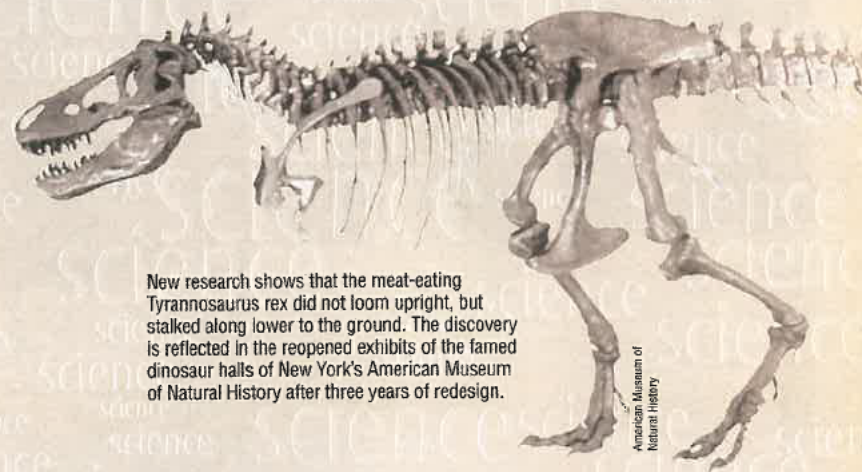
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In November, Visa introduces a cash-storage card that eliminates a pocketful of loose change. A chip in the plastic card tracks the amount of available cash, which is accessed with a reader at the place of purchase. The card can be taken to the bank and reloaded.



Nintendo of America

Now virtual reality comes in a handy travel size with Nintendo's latest, Virtual Boy, a portable 3-D video-game system with stereophonic sound.

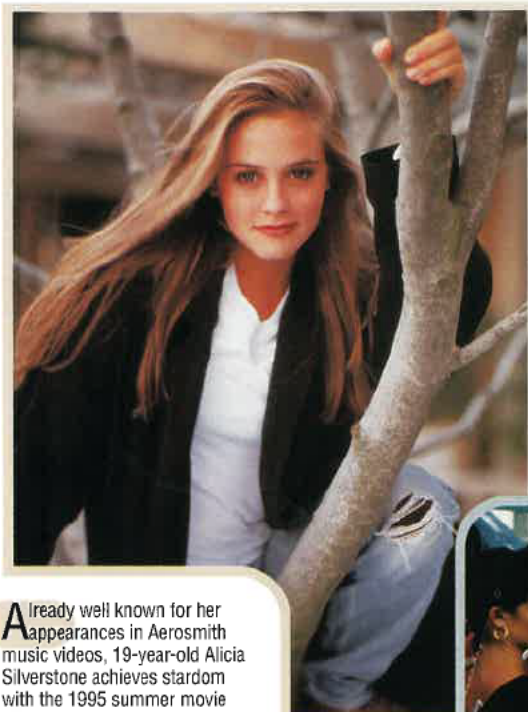


American Museum of Natural History

New research shows that the meat-eating Tyrannosaurus rex did not loom upright, but stalked along lower to the ground. The discovery is reflected in the reopened exhibits of the famed dinosaur halls of New York's American Museum of Natural History after three years of redesign.

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Dana Fineman, Sygma

Already well known for her appearances in Aerosmith music videos, 19-year-old Alicia Silverstone achieves stardom with the 1995 summer movie hit *Clueless*.



J.L. Bulcao, Gamma/Liaison

With \$150,000 saved during her 75 hardworking years as a washerwoman, Oseola McCarty establishes a scholarship fund for African-American students at the University of Southern Mississippi. For her selflessness, she is awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal.



Ron Davis, Shooting Star



Pete Souza, Gamma/Liaison



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Christopher Reeve, in a wheelchair and hooked up to a portable respirator, appears with his wife, Dana, at the American Paralysis Association's annual gala on November 9, less than five months after a fall from a horse left him almost totally paralyzed.

A 10-year-old St. Louis schoolboy, Larry Champagne III, becomes a hero by taking control of his school bus after the driver suffered a stroke. Champagne is later awarded a \$10,000 scholarship by the bus company.

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Bill Jordan, Charleston Post Courier from Sipa Press

Pamela Lee of "Baywatch" fame and husband Tommy Lee, Motley Crüe drummer, are the life of the party this year, frequently caught by the press engaging in public displays of affection.

Trailblazer Shannon Faulkner (hand to head) withdraws from the Citadel after collapsing during "hell week." Faulkner singlehandedly attempted to bust the gender barrier at the all-male South Carolina military institution.



Frank Capri/Sipa from Archive Photos

Millions of Americans tune in to Martha Stewart's TV show, subscribe to her magazine, and read her books. The popular cooking and home-decorating entrepreneur builds an empire by packaging a distinctive American nostalgic style.



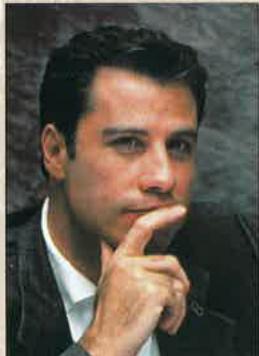
Marc Deville, Gamma/Liaison

Bill Gates, founder and chairman of the computer giant Microsoft, becomes the wealthiest man in the world on the success of his company's software. His book *The Road Ahead* hits *The New York Times* best-seller list.



Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Hot actor Antonio Banderas falls in love with another screen sex-symbol Melanie Griffith during the filming of *Two Much*. Banderas will co-star with Madonna in the film version of *Evita* and will star in Steven Spielberg-produced *Zorro*.



Yoram Kahan, Shooting Star

Seventies superstar John Travolta's motion-picture comeback in the 1994 hit *Pulp Fiction* continues with starring roles in *Get Shorty* and *Broken Arrow*.



Felix from Shooting Star

Sandra Bullock follows up her star-making role in *Speed* with the gentle romance *While You Were Sleeping*. Bullock's fresh, wholesome image earns her an "Entertainer of the Year" nomination from *Entertainment Weekly* magazine.



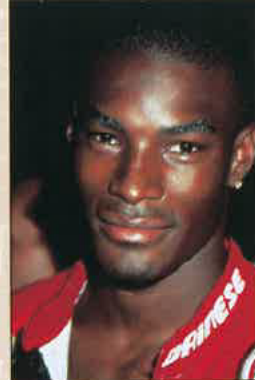
Marcus Roth, LG

Actress Demi Moore becomes the highest paid woman in Hollywood, able to command \$12.5 million per movie, even after this year's flop at the box office *The Scarlet Letter*, loosely based on Hawthorne's classic.



Tim Moonrider, LG

Favorite of America's heartland for his *You Might Be A Redneck If...* jokes, Georgia-born stand-up comic and author Jeff Foxworthy gets his own ABC sitcom in which he plays himself.



Model Beckford Tyson, singled out by Ralph Lauren for his all-American looks, signs an exclusive contract with the fashion designer in 1995.



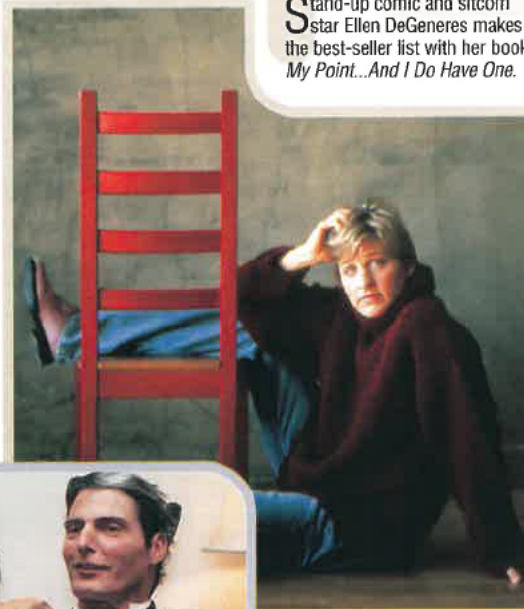
Miss Oklahoma Shawntel Smith is crowned Miss America on September 16. During the broadcast of the 75th pageant, viewers phone in their votes to retain the swimsuit competition.



Kurt Vixant, Sipa Press

John F. Kennedy, Jr., is cofounder and editor-in-chief of *George*, a glossy new magazine covering American politics. Hounded all his life by the press, Kennedy joins their ranks, contributing a feature interview to each issue.

Stand-up comic and sitcom star Ellen DeGeneres makes the best-seller list with her book *My Point...And I Do Have One*.



Sandra Johnson, Retna

flash

Calvin Klein's provocative CK Jeans campaign causes an uproar in August, bringing nasty headlines, threats of retailer boycotts and an FBI investigation. The scandal only seems to help sales.

Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley announce their divorce almost a year after their surprise marriage. The tabloids have a field day speculating about the reasons for the marriage (was it a cold-hearted career move?) as well as the causes for the break-up (was he after Elvis' fortune?).

Breaking the Surface, the autobiography of Greg Louganis, former U.S. Olympic gold-medal diver who revealed earlier that he has AIDS, debuts at No. 2 on the best-seller list.

Popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher, who transformed popping corn into a gourmet item, dies on September 19 from heart failure.

Two Chinese women set a new Guinness world record in November by living in a room for 12 days with 888 poisonous snakes. The previous world record, set in Singapore in 1987, was 10 days with 200 snakes.



Sygm

Batman Forever, with Val Kilmer in the title role and Chris O'Donnell as Robin, becomes the third Batman movie and the summer's top-grossing film.



United Artists from Shooting Star

The fifth actor to play 007 in the enduring film series begun in the 1960s, Pierce Brosnan abandons his Aston Martin for a BMW Z3 Roadster in *Goldeneye*, the latest and, some say, best James Bond movie.

Three 1995 movies bring Jane Austen classics to the silver screen: *Clueless*, based on Austen's novel *Emma*, and *Sense and Sensibility* and *Persuasion*.



Disney Pictures from Shooting Star



Disney Pictures continues its line of animated blockbusters with the Native American legend *Pocahontas*. The picture previews in New York's Central Park to an outdoor audience of 200,000.



M. Gutter, LGI

After an unpromising start, Conan O'Brien quietly gains popularity as host of NBC's "Late Night," a slot previously filled by David Letterman. Letterman's current show on CBS slowly loses viewers.



Younis Kahana, Shooting Star

Whitney Houston stars in the December film release, *Waiting to Exhale*, adapted from Terry McMillan's best-selling novel about the lives of four middle-class African-American women. Houston sings the title song for the movie soundtrack, which enjoys brisk sales.



Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Denzel Washington, critically acclaimed for his performances in films *Crimson Tide* and *Devil in a Blue Dress*, receives highest praise from the City of Los Angeles, which honors him with the Martin Luther King, Jr., Award for his philanthropic work on behalf of children.



Bedford Falls from Shooting Star

Although ABC cancels her TV series "My So-Called Life," 17-year-old Claire Danes hits the big screen in *How to Make an American Quilt*, *To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday*, and *Romeo and Juliet* with Leonardo DiCaprio as her co-star.



Pachia, LGI

In the suspense-thriller *Seven*, heartthrob Brad Pitt attracts a wide male audience with his performance as a detective on the trail of a serial killer whose murders are based on the seven deadly sins.



Ten years after creating the popular comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," cartoonist Bill Watterson retires in December.

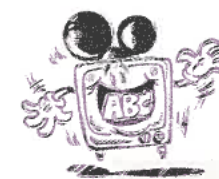


Horror-fiction author Stephen King signs a deal with Signet books to release his upcoming story, *The Green Mile*, as a paperback series.



Fox from Shooting Star

Fox TV's "The X-Files" stars David Duchovny as an FBI agent who investigates supernatural phenomena. The show becomes a surprise hit, giving millions of viewers reason to look forward to staying home on a Friday night.



Disney Entertainment spends \$19 billion to purchase the ABC television network in July.



Jeff Katz, Gamma/Liaison

NBC's hospital drama "E.R." continues to draw high ratings throughout 1995 thanks to its dramatic realism and the appeal of handsome George Clooney (middle right), supermodel Cindy Crawford's latest date.



Disney Pictures from Shooting Star

Toy Story is the world's first entirely computer-animated film. Released by Disney during the Christmas season, it features the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, and Don Rickles.



Pachia, LGI

According to a Roper Youth Poll, the two hottest TV shows among teens this season are the daytime soap "Days of Our Lives" and the evening soap "Melrose Place."

"The Jon Stewart Show," a late-night talk show aimed at Generation X, fails to catch on. During the final taping, host Stewart says, "To all those people who said my show wouldn't last, I have only one thing to say. Good call."

Jim Carrey earns \$20 million for the starring role in the comedy *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, a sequel to the extraordinarily popular *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*.

The popular NBC TV series "Friends" returns for a second highly rated season. Its runaway success inspires less successful imitations by other networks.



Sam Jones, Gamma/Liaison

Devoted fans will not be denied another season of NBC's sitcom "Seinfeld" after all. Creator Jerry Seinfeld decides to keep his "show about nothing" going for an eighth season.



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John Chlassen, Gamma Liaison

Their down-to-earth style and soulful pop songs make Hootie and the Blowfish popular favorites. Their debut album *Cracked Rear View* sells over 5 million, and the group is named Best New Artist at the MTV Music Awards in September.



Pach, LGI

Blues Traveler emerge from the underground scene to widespread popularity with their album *Four* and the single "Run-Around."



Steve Grantz, Refra

Cleveland-based rap group Bone Thugs-n-Harmony vault to the top of the charts with some old-fashioned harmonizing on the album *E. 1999 Eternal*.



AP/Wide World

Yoko Ono and Little Richard join a host of celebrities at the opening of the glitzy Rock-and-Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland on September 1.

Rocker Melissa Etheridge follows top-selling *Yes, I Am* with her fifth album, *Your Little Secret*.



John Bellissimo, LGI



Tin Musefielder, LGI

Twenty-year-old Canadian newcomer Alanis Morissette raises some eyebrows with her up-front, aggressive lyrics and attitudes. Nevertheless, her album *Jagged Little Pill* goes double platinum.



Felix Kohn, Shooting Star

Sixties icon Jerry Garcia, guitarist of The Grateful Dead, dies of a heart attack on August 9 at age 53. Garcia's musical roots in blues, country and folk are apparent in hits like "Truckin'." Legions of Deadheads mourn his passing.



Todd Gray, LGI

Brandy, whose self-titled platinum album and single "I Wanna Be Down" hit high on the R&B charts, sweeps the first Soul Train Music Awards in August. The 16-year-old singer wins Best New Artist, among other awards.



Benjamin

Beatlemania returns in 1995 with ABC's six-hour documentary *The Beatles Anthology*, the video releases of *A Hard Day's Night* and *Help!* and the album collection *Anthology*, featuring previously unreleased material.



Das Walls, Refra

The chart-topping movie soundtrack *Dangerous Minds* features Coolio's rap anthem "Gangsta's Paradise," the number-one single of the year according to *Billboard* magazine.



Joe Eron, LGI

Live dedicate their single "Lightning Crashes" to victims of the Oklahoma City bombing. The rock band's *Throwing Copper* album yields three hit singles; *Billboard* Music Awards names them Rock Artist of the Year.



Mark Hauser, LGI

The Chicago-based rock band Smashing Pumpkins release their epic double album *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* to critical and public acclaim.



Ronnie Wright, LGI

Mariah Carey's *Daydream* sells over 5 million copies, taking number-one spot on the *Billboard* album chart. Carey performs with Boyz II Men on the hit single "One Sweet Day."

flash

R.E.M.'s summer tour is interrupted by medical emergencies for three of the band's four members. The tour, their first in five years, is eventually completed with all members in good health.

In October, David Bowie and Nine Inch Nails wrap up the U.S. portion of Bowie's world tour. At each show, Bowie and Trent Reznor's band play a set together. In December, Bowie tours Europe with Morrissey as his opening act.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers tone down their trademark bawdiness in their newest album, *One Hot Minute*.



Steve Double, Refra



Jeffrey Soales, LGI

Atlanta's TLC is honored at the *Billboard* Music Awards for providing two of the year's biggest hits. "Creep" and "Waterfalls" both lead the Hot 100 singles charts for weeks.

Former Nirvana drummer Dave Grohl plays a new sound as guitarist and lead singer in the Foo Fighters, an alternative rock band that enjoys three singles off their self-titled debut album in 1995.



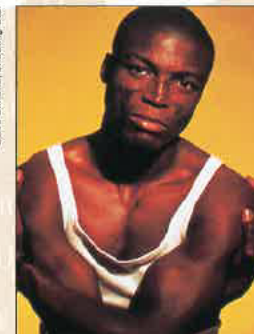
Rea Davis, Shooting Star

A hard-luck story turns into overnight success in the case of Canadian Shania Twain, born in poverty to an Irish mother and an Ojibway Indian father. Twain's 1995 hits include "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been Under?," "Any Man of Mine" and the title tune to her 3-million-selling album *The Woman In Me*.



Steve Simons, Shooting Star

Success doesn't mellow the style of alternative rock band Green Day, who release their anxiously awaited fourth album *Insomniac*, their fastest and darkest album to date.



Steve Jennings, LGI

Seal's hit off the *Batman Forever* movie soundtrack, "Kiss From a Rose," is all over the summer playlists. The single propels the artist's self-titled album to the double-platinum mark.



Marc Morrison, Shooting Star

With the record-setting sales of his album *Fresh Horses*, only three musical acts in U.S. history outsell country music icon Garth Brooks: the Beatles, the Eagles, and Billy Joel.



Smith, Gamma Liaison

Selena, the 23-year-old Tejano music queen, is gunned down in Corpus Christi in March 1995 by Yolanda Saldivar, former president of her fan club. The July release of a collection of Selena's hits, *Dreaming of You*, sees some of the fastest sales in music history.

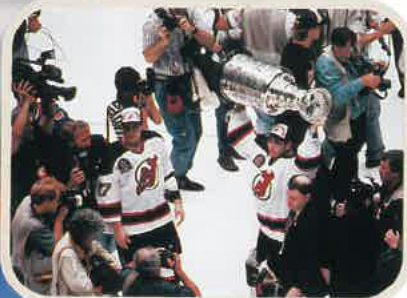
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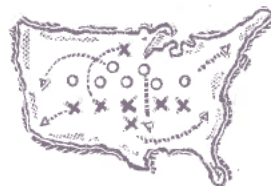
Chris Cole, Allsport

International soccer star Michelle Akers, world's top woman player, leads the U.S. women's soccer team to a 2-1 sudden-death victory over Norway in the U.S. Cup title game in August.



Focus on Sports

The New Jersey Devils win the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, beating the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four straight games.



The most controversial moves are off the field this season as the Cleveland Browns NFL franchise announces its move to Baltimore and the Houston Oilers announce their move to Nashville.



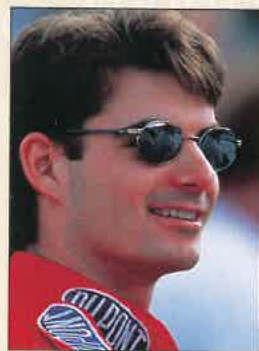
Clark Campbell, Sipa Press

In May 1995, Peter Blake's Team New Zealand in "Black Magic 1" defeats Dennis Conner's team in "Young America" in the first 5-0 sweep in the 144-year history of the America's Cup.



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In Super Bowl XXX, the heavily favored Dallas Cowboys beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 27-17. Dallas cornerback Larry Brown ices the game for the Cowboys with the second of his two interceptions, and is named MVP for his heroics.



David Taylor, Allsport

Jeff Gordon, 24, dominates the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing's Winston Cup, winning 7 of NASCAR's 31 races and earning \$4.3 million in 1995, a record for the sport.



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The University of Nebraska demolishes the University of Florida, 62-24, in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl to win their second consecutive national college football title and cap Cornhuskers coach Tom Osborne's 23rd season.



Kenneth Gottmann

The Houston Rockets, led by center Hakeem Olajuwon, win their second consecutive National Basketball Association championship in June, sweeping the series with the Orlando Magic in four games.



Steve Barnett, Gamma/Liaison

Twenty-one-year-old tennis champ Monica Seles, returning to competitive play two years after being stabbed at a tournament in Germany, wins the 1995 Australian Open.



Archie Frutkin

Hall-of-Famer Mickey Mantle, a switch-hitter and one of the great sluggers in baseball history, dies of cancer on August 13. Mantle hit 536 home runs in his 18-year career and compiled a lifetime batting average of .298.



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Known for his temperamental personality, his many tattoos and his aggressive playing style, basketball center Dennis Rodman (91) debuts with the Chicago Bulls after his trade from the San Antonio Spurs.



Mike Powell, Allsport

For a record fifth straight time, Miguel Indurain of Spain wins the 22-day, 2,270-mile Tour de France, the world's premier bicycle race. On the 15th day of the race, Italian road-race champ Fabio Casartelli is killed in a seven-man crash.



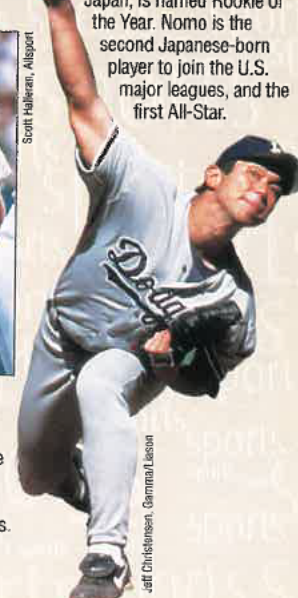
Focus on Sports

Betsy King wins her 30th tournament on June 25 and gains entry to the Ladies' Professional Golf Association's Hall of Fame, one of the most difficult attainments in sports.



Scott Halperin, Allsport

Quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins sets four lifetime passing records during the 1995 football season: 47,003 yards, 342 touchdowns, 3,686 completions and 6,467 attempts.



Jeff Christensen, Gamma/Liaison

Master of the sinking fastball and still learning to speak English, L.A. Dodgers pitcher Hideo Nomo, formerly with the Kintetsu Buffaloes in Japan, is named Rookie of the Year. Nomo is the second Japanese-born player to join the U.S. major leagues, and the first All-Star.



The National Basketball Association fines the Chicago Bulls \$25,000 when Michael Jordan wears his previously retired number 23 jersey for luck during championship playoffs against the Orlando Magic in May 1995.

Vincent LaForest, Gamma/Liaison

The Atlanta Braves edge the Cleveland Indians 1-0 in game six to win the World Series on October 28. Closing pitcher Mark Wohlers leaps for joy.



Ric Stewart, Allsport



Doug Penzinger, Allsport

In September, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripkin, Jr., achieves a record-setting 2,131 consecutive games.



Clive Brunskill, Allsport

Former L.A. Lakers point guard Earvin "Magic" Johnson announces a return to basketball in January 1996. Johnson retired in 1991 when he discovered he was HIV positive.

The Northwestern University Wildcats—long a gridiron laughingstock—pile up ten victories in 1995 and go to the Rose Bowl for the first time since 1949.

In his first fight in four years, former world heavyweight champ Mike Tyson disposes of challenger Peter McNeeley in 89 seconds. Tyson, who in March finished a three-year jail term for a rape conviction, earns \$25 million for the August boxing match.

Pete Sampras, winner of the 1995 men's singles championships at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, ends the professional tennis season with a number-one world ranking.



Scott Halperin, Allsport

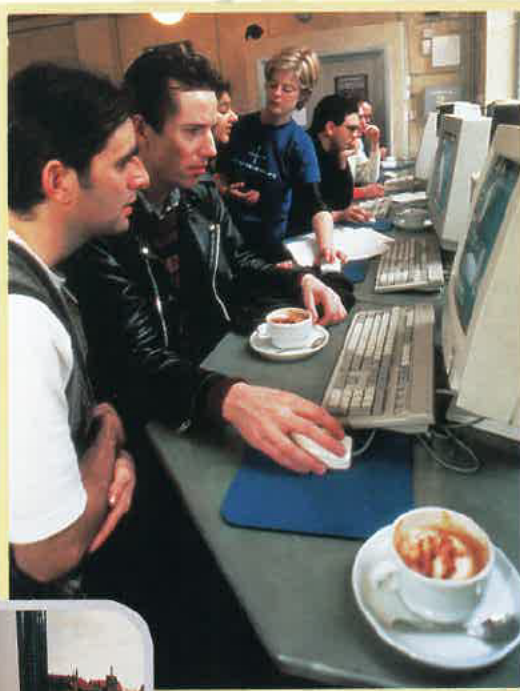
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The most recent fad in purses takes the form of small backpacks.

Designer water spreads to the pet world. Doting pet owners buy tuna-flavored bottled water for Fluffy and beef-flavored bottled water for Spot.



Diners are treated to variations on theme cafes, as Hard Rock Cafe is joined by Fashion Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Harley-Davidson Cafe, and London's Cyberia Cafe where patrons sip coffee and surf the Internet.



First in the long, popular history of M&M's candies: a new blue M&M joins the colorful candy-coated mix.



Young people continue to follow the wide-leg jeans trend, forsaking tight jeans for a loose baggy fit.



The tattoo craze leads to some regret, but recent laser developments keep people from being marked for life. Pulsed laser light, a different wavelength for each color in the tattoo, removes pigment without leaving scars.



Logo-wear reaches a new level of sophistication. Among the reigning makers of athletic wear, only Nike can spark recognition without the use of its name.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Americans consume culture and history as attendance at America's 8,000 museums climbs to 600 million people per year, more than movie, theater, and sports attendance combined.



Girly things enjoy a surge in popularity with young women, who wear baby barrettes, knee socks, tiny t-shirts, little jumpers, and funky Maryjanes, and kid around with "Hello Kitty" accessories.



Taking her place among controversial talk-show hosts as the "Oprah for the junior set," Ricki Lake speaks to such concerns as, "Mom, when my boyfriend gets out of jail, I'm taking him back."



The angel message of "fear not" strikes a deep chord with Americans' yearning for spiritual growth and comfort in a stressful time. People enjoy angel collectibles, angel sites on the Internet, and angel books and magazines.



"Some pretty cool people drink milk" is the message carried by a high-profile ad campaign featuring a raft of popular celebrities sporting a white upper lip on behalf of the healthy beverage. The milk-moustache effect is created with latex, a rubber-based paint.

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