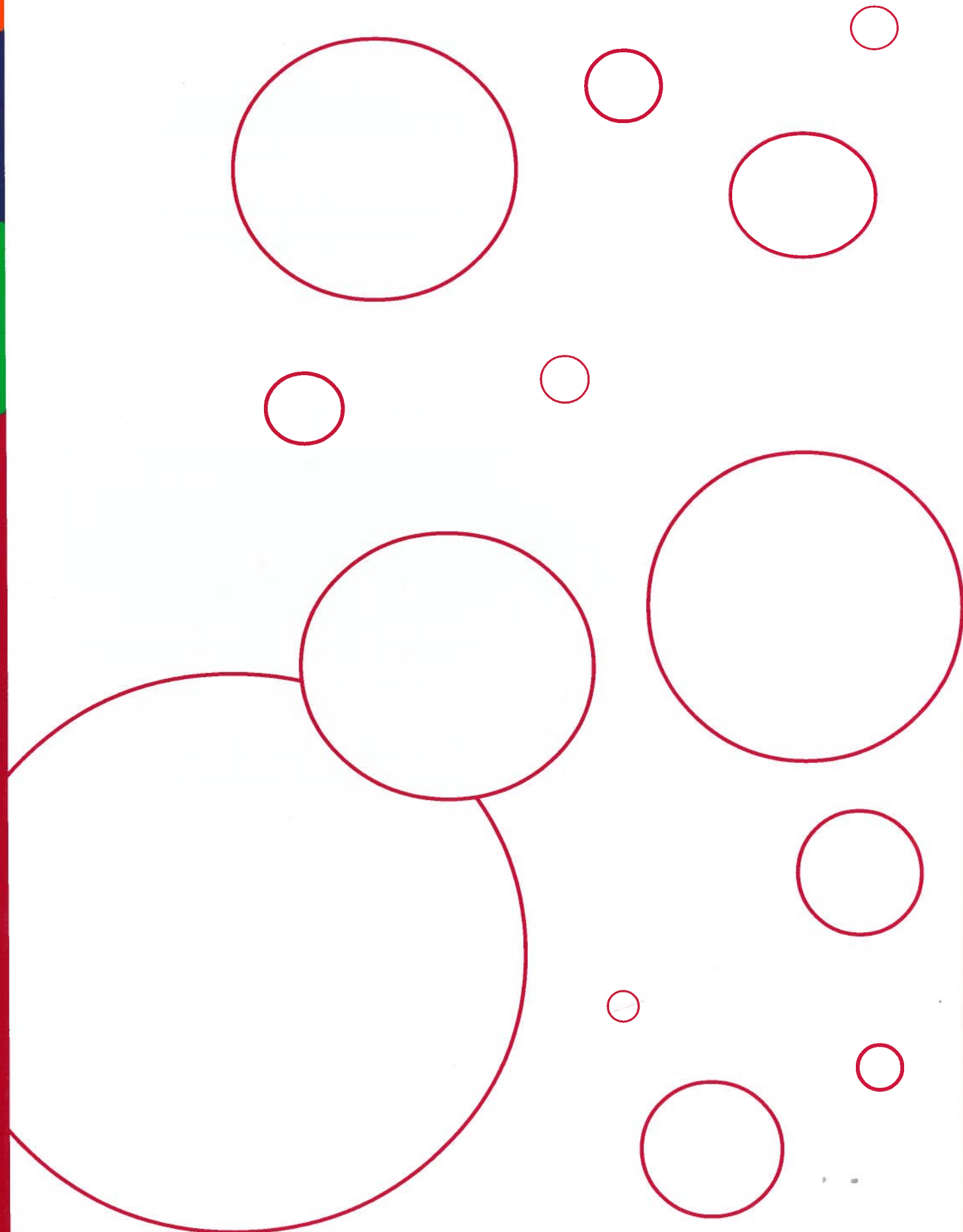


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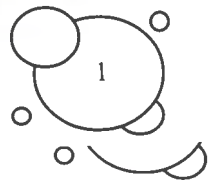


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With flames that seemed to reach the stars, the fire that lit the dark, rainy night before Homecoming 1997 symbolized a chapter in the history of IWA. The first official **Burning of the 'A'** seered together the student bodies from the former Corpus Christi Academy and Incarnate Word Academy into one, unified campus. IWA was now **NEW AND IMPROVED!**

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Junior **Mika Matthews**(above) flexes for the camera. Many students stayed after school to "work-out" and get in shape. Senior **Michael Pammit**(below) tickles the ivories for fellow seniors **Missy Dubuque, Melina Salazar, Rey Tapia** and **Adrian Romero** in Mrs. **Hasse's** classroom. Many IWA Angels had "hidden talents."



Mrs. **Keramian's** senior government class attends class outside on the front lawn. Lectures outdoors were a common sight on beautiful days. Classes could be seen on the lawns, on the patio and behind the gym. Juniors **Ashley Palmer, Carlos Flores** and **Paige McCurdy** huddle for a quick shot outside on the patio. Angels could be found resting and socializing at the picnic tables before and after school.



Junior **Catherine Beck** grins for the camera in Mrs. **Andrea Hasse's** Theatre Arts class. Fine Arts classes proved popular with many students.

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Seniors **Giovanna Berastain** and **Mikel Abreu** hug in class. Many Angels ended their senior year with friends from grade school. The journey of high school was long and filled with special moments for many seniors. Senior **Jessica Chodosh** and junior **Matt Markl** laugh and share a semi-private moment in the halls of IWA. Many students found time to socialize and make special friendships during the passing periods.



NEW AND IMPROVED AURORA

Gettin' Dirty
STUDENT LIFE

Extra Strength
ACADEMICS

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Angels keep their true colors shining

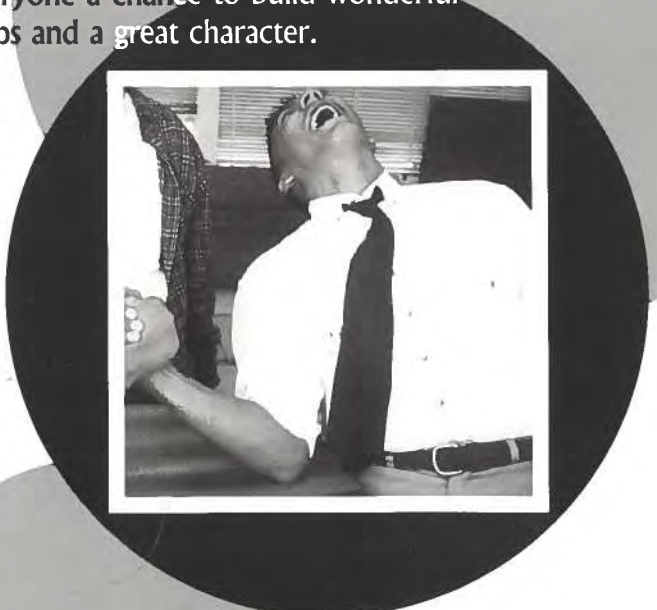


Junior Albert Lucio shows his school spirit by wearing ties, ties and more ties on Tie Day, sponsored by Student Council. Remember--ties are dry cleaned.

Student life at IWA is all about going to classes and what happens between them. Students must work hard to maintain their grades, but it is not "all work and no play!"

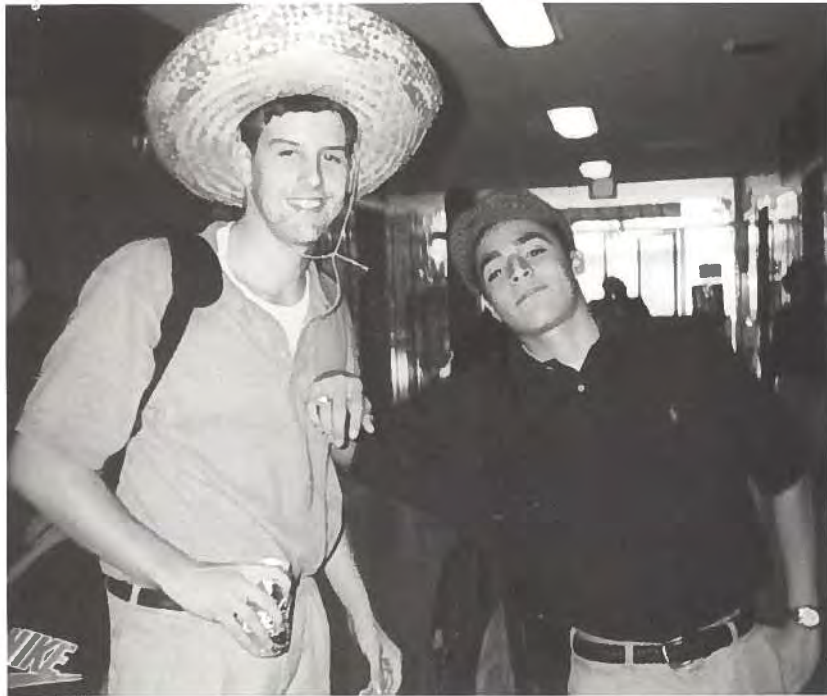
During lunch students are given the chance to "kick back" and hang out with friends--an important part of the day for most students. While many students are socializing during lunch, others attend club meetings. Clubs like Student Council meet each week to take care of business. When the last bell rings everyone heads back to class to get ready to learn.

Some students arrive at school early to get in some studying time or finish the previous night's homework. Students that are having trouble with their classes stay after school to get tutoring from NHS, other students and their teachers. Many students stay after school simply because they have to wait for their rides. Student life at IWA is a busy one. Everyone makes it through one day at a time. Although IWA requires a lot of hard work from the students (sometimes we do get dirty!), the Angel atmosphere gives everyone a chance to build wonderful friendships and a great character.



ANGEL SPIRIT COLORS AND BRIGHTS

Red, white and blue had much more than patriotic meaning around the IWA campus. Students showed their school spirit by dressing in ties for spirit days, and dressing the part on special Student Council Days. Whether it was Tie Day, Crazy Hat Day, or the Homecoming Day, everyone *came clean* when it came to showing Angel Spirit. Even faculty joined in showing Angel Spirit. Teachers dressed on special days, attended special events and cheered on the Angels at sporting events. Everyone could always count on a teacher or member of staff to make a statement and encourage school spirit. The Angel Spirit never died, and the colors *never faded*.



Juniors **Brent Bielski** and **Albert Juarez** (above) show Angel Spirit by wearing hats on 'Crazy Hat Day.' Student Council sponsored 'Hat' day and other special days on campus. Many students showed their spirit by participating in special Student Council days. Seniors **Alma Saudia** and **Tami Longoria** (below) show their Angel Spirit at the Homecoming pep rally. The gym was much more crowded this year because of the increase in students. Because of all the new students, the pep rallies were more spirited than ever. Mums were worn to school during Homecoming, and special games were played at the pep rally. Angels showed their spirit!



Geography teacher **Mrs. Davis** shows off her skirt that she "tied" around her waist. She wore a tie skirt on 'Crazy Tie Day.'



Juniors **Albert Lucio** and **Marco Passeri** flex their muscles before the Homecoming pep rally. Junior guys, wearing cheerleading uniforms, performed a skit about new cheerleader candidates!



Juniors **Raquel Gonzalez**, **Nichole Cassiano** and **Ronika Garcia** triple their Angel Spirit at the Homecoming pep rally by hugging for the camera. Friends celebrated Homecoming together by sitting together at the pep rally, the game and the dance. Sophomore **Nicole Jaimes** stands during the Homecoming pep rally to show her spirit. The underclassmen proved their spirit by challenging the seniors during the spirit competitions.



IWA SPIRIT!



Angel mascots, juniors **Albert Lucio** and **Albert Juarez** prepare to fight the cold and perform at the Burning of the 'A.' The Alberts really boosted school spirit with their crazy antics.

PEP RALLY

THE POWER OF CHEER

Homecoming Week was one to remember. A brand new tradition, the Burning of the "A", started off the week and gave the students a chance to come out and support their teams. Students gathered around the wooden "A", built by cheerleader dads, as it was lit and burned. Chants, cheers, and an inspirational story by Mr. Luke Woods added to the event. Even though it was a rainy, cold night, students still showed up and went to the farthest extent to show their school spirit. The Homecoming Pep Rally organized by the cheerleaders was new and improved. This pep rally brought many new surprises to enhance the spirit of the student body. IWA witnessed the official premier of two new mascots, Albert Lucio and Albert Juarez. They proved that they could show as much spirit as the cheerleaders. This duo provided the students with a dance and cheer. The cheerleaders showed off their new stunts, dances, and cheers as the crowd blew their blowhorns, held up their posters, covered their faces in red and white paint and yelled at the top of their lungs. Cheer really brightened up the pep rally, and it worked wonder on colors: Victory red and Angel white.



The Burning of the "A" started up the Homecoming Week and pumped up the student body for the game against King. This was the first ever Burning of the "A" and this great success will start a long held tradition at Incarnate Word Academy.

SPIRIT

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Juniors **Nicole Cassiano** and **Ronika Garcia**(at left) display their friendship by showing that Incarnate Word Academy is "number one" during the homecoming pep rally. School spirit was shown in various ways at pep rallies.



ANGEL

PRIDE

The IWA cheerleaders promote school spirit at the Homecoming pep rally by spelling out the letters "IWA" using pom pons. The cheerleaders prepared many hours for pep rallies.



Seniors (left) set the precedent by standing up and cheering as loud as they can at the Homecoming Pep Rally. Tradition kept classes yelling their hearts out to win the class spirit stick. Senior Homecoming nominees(above) stand before the student body at the pep rally. Students participated in the homecoming pep rally in full force. Junior **Dan Guerra** claims victory for the junior class at the pep rally by commanding the spirit stick. Students who won the spirit stick were respected by the student body.



Junior mascot **Albert Lucio** performs his mascot duties leading the crowd in "the wave" at a pep rally. The two Alberts kept the crowd spirited at all of the games and pep rallies.



LUNCH CLEANIN' UP ON CAMPUS



Lunch on campus served as the all-purpose hour at IWA. Underclassmen socialized with their friends, teachers monitored the courtyard and parking lot, students attended all kinds of meetings and, most important, the cafeteria served lunch. Under the direction of Mr. Danny "Lanky the Clown" Kollaya, the cafeteria staff prepared everything from chicken strips to baked potatoes to the famous "boat" of fries. Students also found time to do their homework, read in the library, go to study hall and attend special tutoring sessions to maintain acceptable academic standing. This year, lunch was a bit more crowded with the merging of two campuses. But there was still plenty of room for students to sit with friends, meet by the telephones, and even play hackey sack. Angels "cleaned up" when it came to lunch, but a few returned to class with ketchup stains.



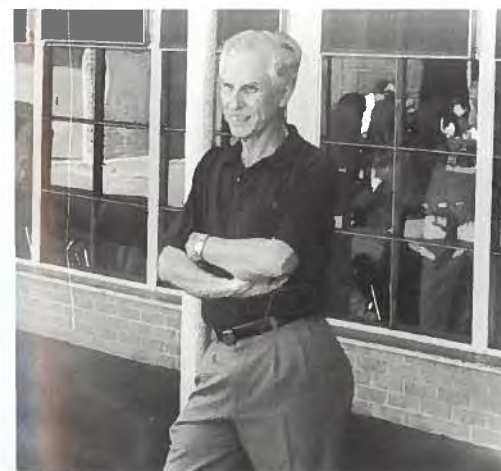
Freshman **Lauren Bowen** (above) and freshman **Megan Castello** have a discussion at lunch while freshman **Marissa Valent** relishes her salad. Marissa's expression, one of delicious contentment, was an indicator of the taste of the food at the IWA cafeteria—delicious! Sophomore **Candice Saldivar** (above, right) enjoys spaghetti outside in the courtyard on a sunny day. Many Angels ate outside on sunny days to take advantage of the nice weather.



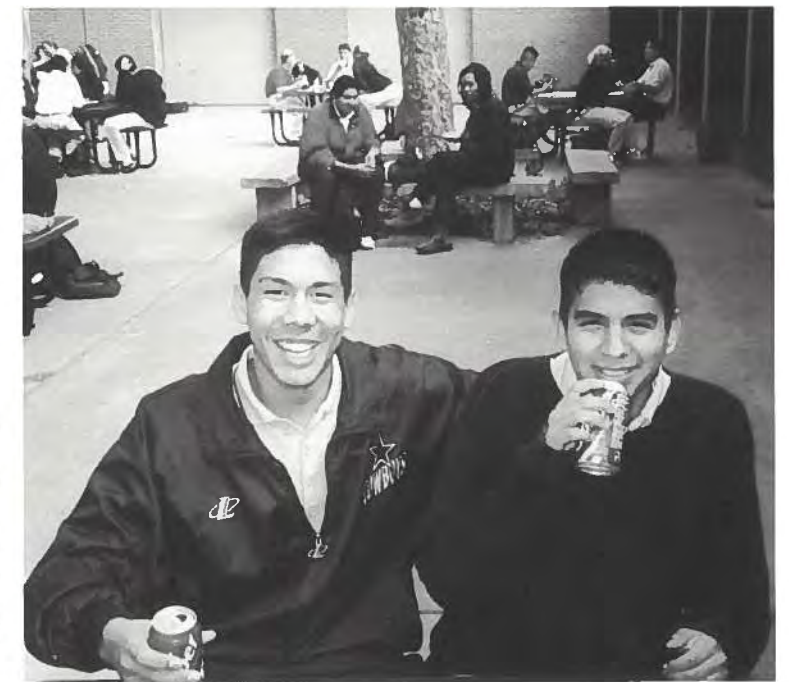
Junior **Amber Guernsey** (above) smiles and holds her money prepared to attack the lunch line. Students often waited until the line "died down" to buy lunch. The increase of students made lunch more crowded.



Seniors (right) **Christina Moon** and **Angela Perez** enjoy lunch outside in the courtyard on a Monday. Seniors were required to stay on campus on Mondays to attend homeroom period.



Junior English teacher **Mrs. Holly Smith** (right) is caught eating her homemade lunch on the ledge by the gym. Teachers monitored the courtyard and parking lot for safety as part of their duties.



Seniors **Abel Garza** and **Andrew Saenz** (above) laugh for the camera during lunch. Lunch served as a time for many students to relax and reenergize before the afternoon classes. **Mr. Ray Perrone** (at left) diligently monitors the patio during his lunch duty shift. Teachers were visible during lunch.

ANGELS

Fresh minds soak up the knowledge.

Senior Adrian Romero, junior Dan Guerra and senior Jorge Rodriguez celebrate after surviving the spin rinse cycle -- finishing nine weeks exams.

Incarnate Word Academy has proved to be an academic powerhouse in South Texas for decades. The IWA academic program produces aspiring seniors that clean up when college acceptance letters start arriving in April. Throughout the year, students compete against the best minds in the state of Texas at TAPPS and at U.I.L. practice meets. For the ninth year in a row, the IWA TAPPS academic team beat all other school in the area to win the district meet. Many students advanced to state to capture more honors. The Art department and the Choir department also pressed out their wrinkles for state competition. Academics at IWA is not dirty business.



TAPPS WASH AWAY COMPETITION

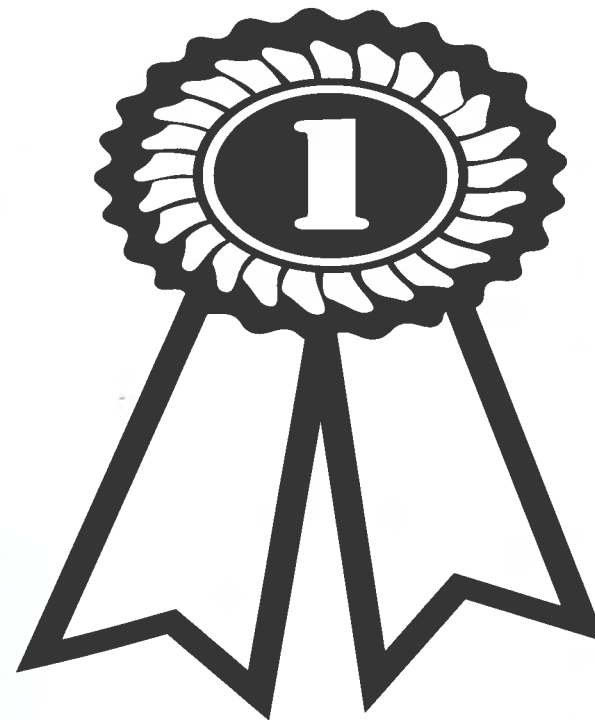
For the ninth straight year, the IWA TAPPS academic team won the district meet held at Incarnate Word High School in San Antonio qualifying many students to compete at the state level. "Every year we win, we are a bit surprised," Clelia Casey, IWA Academic Dean and TAPPS sponsor, said. "We are up against some tough schools. We do not know the scores until the end of the meet." Team members traveled early Saturday morning to San Antonio and returned to Corpus Christi victorious by evening. IWA has dominated the district academic meet since it began its association with TAPPS (Texas Association of Private and Parochial Schools). IWA students placed in almost every event and swept some events including spelling. Several seniors have placed at the district meet every year they have competed. "I was very happy. I've been in Number Sense since my sophomore year, so it was nice to finally place first," Rowena Apacible, senior, said. The team consists of students who compete in various academic events, including Calculator, Advanced Math, Literary Criticism and others. "I got first place. I had no idea how I was going to do," Barbara Schauer, junior, who placed first in Computer Science said. "I was really surprised. The test was challenging. It was a multiple choice exam. (The exam) would give you parts of programs and you would have to substitute numerals and values." Also, the TAPPS Art team placed second at the district competition. The art team advanced to state as well. IWA TAPPS team washes away all the competition.



Senior Ashley Allen(above), who competed in Advanced Math, uses spare time to review problems for TAPPS practice. Many students studied before school, after school, during lunch--whenever they could study!



TAPPS Academic team members are (back row) Leslie Meyer, Danielle Diegel, Mikel Abreu, Shannon Stacy, Barbara Schauer, Eddie Marjy, Robert Boostrom and Elaina Barroso. Also shown are (second row from top) Nathan Richardson, Michael Newman, (third row from top) Sophia Lee, Lindsey New, Alberto Garza, Jennifer Montgomery, Ashley Allen, Rowena Apacible, Monica Newman, Cyrus Mallison and sponsor Clelia Casey. Also listed are (bottom row) Lizette Soliz, Katherine Tabone, Roxana Apacible, Hillary Wilder, Juli Kim and Elizabeth Perez.



Senior Danille Diegel(below) uses spare time to review material for TAPPS competition. IWA students won the district meet for the ninth year running.



COMPUTERS AUTO TIMED CLEAN

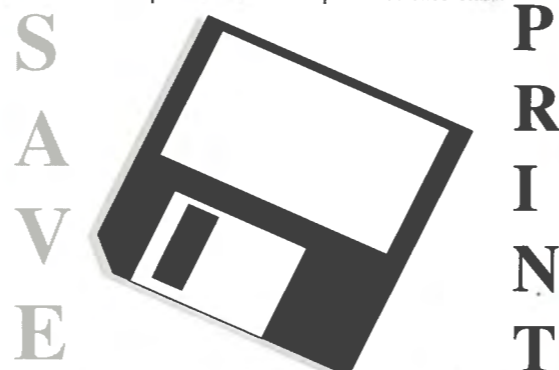
IWA's computer lab provided hours of automatic fun. Whether the the class was Keyboarding with Mr. Luke Woods, Computer Science with Mr. Herman Jackson or every other computer class with Mr. Steve Penley, Angels touch-typed away the hours programming and solving difficult computer problems. In the classes, students learned the basics of the computer language Pascal and challenged themselves to create solutions to complicated technological scenarios. Mr. Luke Woods' famous Enya CDs could often be heard in the hallways during fourth period, and Mr. Herman Jackson's class could always be found engaged in learning sitting lecture hall style around the blackboard.

Computers were also a major component of the Journalism class. The student newspaper, *The Crown*, and the yearbook, the "New and Improved" *Aurora*, were both produced on IBM compatible systems.

Technology at IWA proved that automation and computers are a part of the everyday human system. Pretty soon, everyone's laundry will be washed and dried on automatic timer.



Senior John Medina types diligently in Journalism class. John also used his computer skills in Computer Science class.



Seniors Dante Paiz works on computer problems while David Salinas looks on. The Computer Science class often maintained a relaxed atmosphere to counter balance the extremely difficult curriculum.



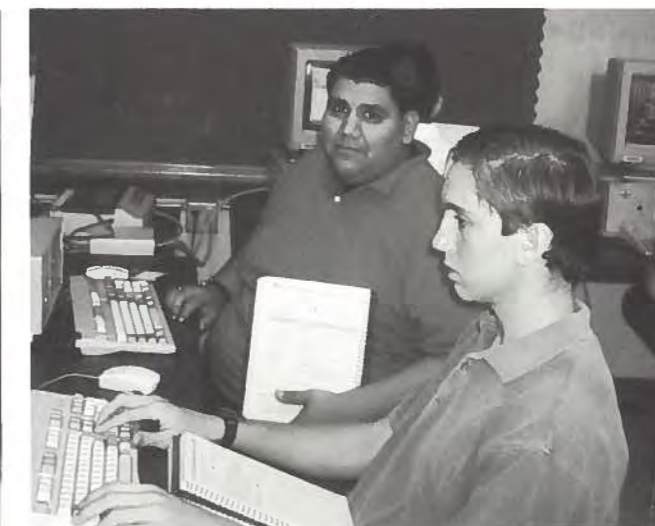
Senior Andy Torres (at left) reads his homework assignment in the computer lab before lunch. Students often found extra time to finish assignments for class. Senior Jessica Chodosh (above) reads her screen carefully to make sure she is programming correct results. Computer Science was a challenge for many seniors. Senior Andrew Saenz (below) and sophomore Myra Sanchez type their news stories in Journalism. Students used word processing programs to compose stories before page layout began.

DISKS CD ROM



Sophomore Natalie Cantu corrects classmate junior Rafaela Martinez on her computer assignment. Students often knew that their progress was off course when their screens looked very different from the others.

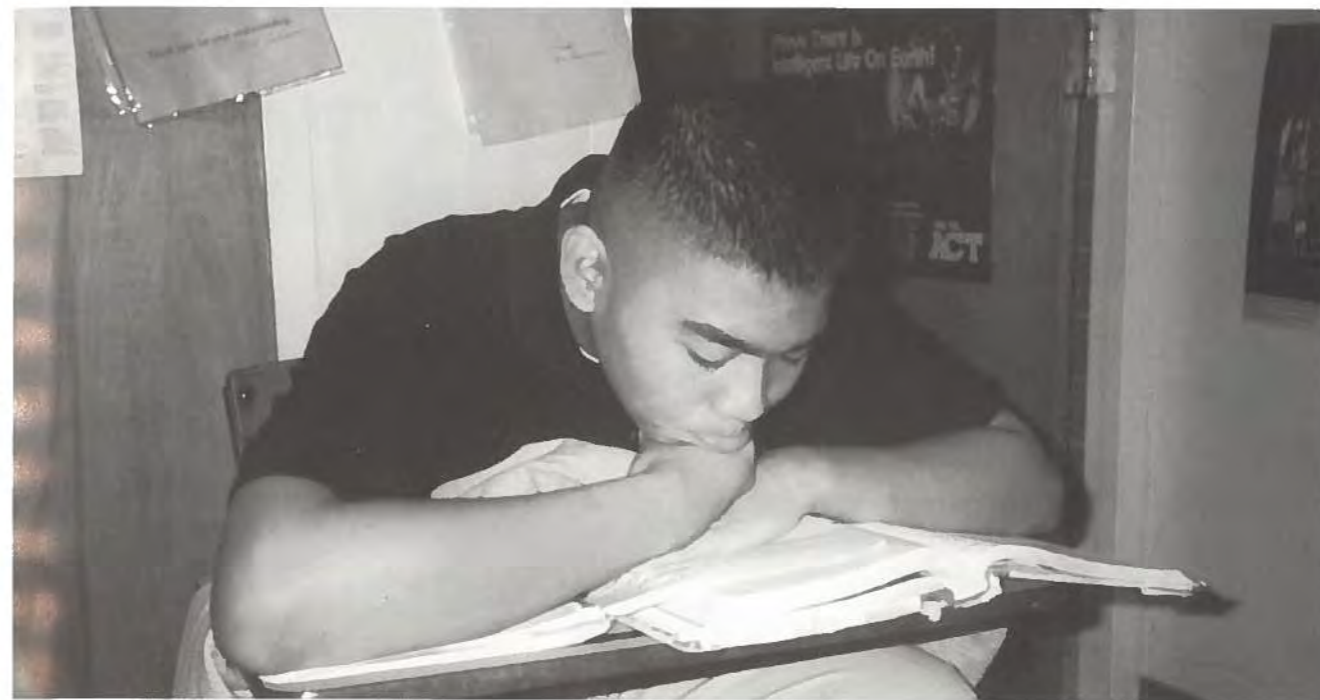
Senior Edward Arrellano looks at the camera while senior Joey Guernsey works on his program. Students worked independently in class on assignments.



ENGLISH

READ WASH LABELS

Angels have to pass certain requirements to graduate, one of which being to successfully finish the English program at IWA. The program consists of four years of English, including studies in American Literature, English Literature and World Literature. A year of IWA English includes writing many essays, reading many assignments, doing research papers, and of course, learning hundreds of vocabulary words. Brave, dedicated students register for Advanced Placement English with Mrs. Clelia Casey. Students leave this class prepared for college writing and literature courses, and many pass the AP exam testing out of some college English classes. Other students survived junior English with Mrs. Holly Smith, sophomore English with Sr. Pat Burns and Sr. Eileen Doherty, senior English with Mrs. Sue Coleman, and freshman and senior English with Ms. Susan Edwards. Other students took English electives with Mr. Omar Lopez. IWA Angels learned how to read the wash directions carefully, and follow them!



GRAMMAR

Senior **Michael Pammit** (above) studies for English during lunch while he sits in **Mrs. Sue Coelman's** office. Many students found **Mrs. Sue Coelman's** office a quiet place to study when they had extra time. Seniors **Gabriel Gonzales** (below) and **David Salinas** share their journal entries during **Mr. Omar Lopez's** Creative Writing class. Students in the class wrote about specific topics and then shared their answers. Senior **Curtis Rock** (at left) writes in his journal in Creative Writing. Creative Writing was an English elective.



Senior **Karl McCloskey** (above) takes notes while senior **Hector Alfaro**, junior **Ashley Palmer** and sophomore **Rene Rodriguez** look on in **Mr. Omar Lopez's** Practical Writing class. Students took Practical Writing as an English elective. Juniors **Katy Lee** and **Dan Guerra** work on yearbook during the Journalism class. Journalism was an English elective also.

SOCIAL SCIENCE A CLEAN HISTORY

Where in the world are Incarnate Word Angels? Everywhere! The Social Science department took students all over the world in Geography classes. IWA students also learned all kinds of lessons in History and Government classes. And they learned how to spend their money in Economics classes. Social Science classes teach IWA students about the society in which we live. Many classes used extra tools for teaching besides textbooks. Mrs. Jenny Davis' World Geography class, for example, used fun globes and geography games to learn about different destinations. (Mr. Steve Penley's class used foods from different countries to experience different lands around the world.) And all students used technological tools like Channel One in the classroom to learn history lessons, and to watch history become chronicled. Angels strive to make social science clean history.

Clockwise, from top: Seniors **Sarah Hill** and **Megan Byrne** smile for the camera in **Sr. Henri Amador's** classroom. They distinguished themselves "geographically" by sitting next to one another on Spirit Day when the seniors wore green. Senior **Adrianna Lynch** takes notes attending an outdoor lecture in **Mrs. Gayle Keramian's** Government class. She took notes and soaked up some rays. Freshmen **John-Michael Alaniz**, **Sky Paterno** and **Clifford Laich-Rock** sample a little of everything during Geography class. The class had a chance to experience the tastes of other countries.



Students listen attentively to **Mrs. Gayle Keramian's** (above) outdoor lecture during Government class. The students enjoyed relaxing while learning. Freshmen **Ben Enriquez**, **James Allen** and **John-Michael Alaniz** enjoy some foreign foods. Part of the study of Geography is the study of new cultures.

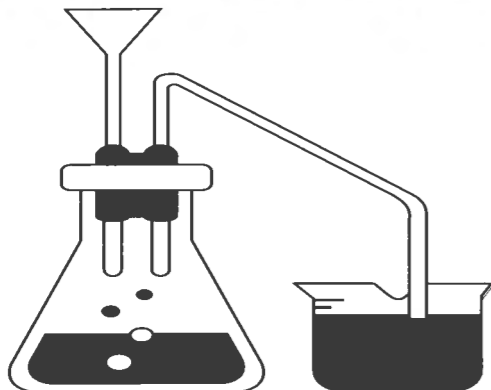


GEOGRAPHY HISTORY



SCIENCE

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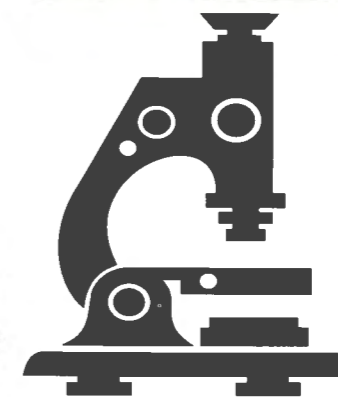


BIOLOGY CHEMISTRY PHYSICS

Marine Biology students (at right) gather around small sea creatures on a boat trip to Port Aransas. Mrs. Coleen Duzich, smiling in the photograph, sponsored the trip. Juniors Albert Lucio (below right) and Leslie Escobedo work hard at scrubbing a fish tank. Marine Biology proved to be a "hands-on" class. Workers (below left) fish for observable shrimp on the Marine Science trip to Port Aransas. Students were also able to observe fishermen in action.



The Science department at IWA mixed learning and fun in the most interesting "chemical solutions." Students learned about Biology, Chemistry, Marine Science and Physics. Students in science classes could often be found outdoors in the courtyard doing experiments and observing nature. Sometimes, nature found its way into the classroom. A bird's nest with new hatchlings was visible from one of the windows in the chemistry lab located in the "new wing." Students also found learning about science to be adventurous. Many students, and parents, participated in field trips, such as the one Mrs. Coleen Duzich's class took to Port Aransas. Science students blasted boredom with a chemical wash.



Science Club members (far above) are Caitlin Davis, Andrew Matey, Brandon Trevino, Marco Passeri, John Barrett, (middle row) Amanda Smith, Aya Aoshima, Sarah Steele, Judy Sheridan, Leslie Meyer, sponsor Miss. Nikki Sohn, (bottom row) Lizette Solis, Shantel George, Leighann Pollard, Vanessa Puente, Kathy Chopin and Barbara Schauer. A view from the boat catches a glimpse of brown pelicans, natives to Port Aransas. All native creatures to the shores of South Texas are studied in Marine Science.

SCIENCE

MATHEMATICS

CALCULATING LOADS

Add this up: dedication, hard work, commitment, willingness to help others and an intense understanding of everything linear to quadratic. What is the answer? To sum it up, it's mathematics at IWA. Math Week is celebrated during the fall semester at IWA. Students engage in all sorts of enrichment activities during their math classes, and professionals and speakers visit throughout the week. This year at IWA, students participated in a poster contest for Math Week. Illustrations mounted on posterboards lined the hallways explaining everything from addition to the steps to solving Algebraic equations.

Another evident component of the math program at IWA is the math national honor society, Mu Alpha Theta. Sponsored by Sr. Catherine Brehony, the club offers tutoring after school for any students seeking help. The club offers a forum for students wanting to advance their skills in mathematics. The equation is simple -- Angels calculate loads.



Mu Alpha Theta members are Gerry Caballero, Dante Paiz, Brandon Trevino, Amelia Giannonone, Alberto Garza, Leslie Meyer, Sophia Lee, Ashley Allen, Lizette Solis, Marco Passeri, Kristin Hall, Lindsey New, Mysti Grant and sponsor Sr. Catherine Brehony. Standing by the flagpole are Michael Pammit, Adrianna Lynch, Shannon Stacy and Rowena Apacible.



Clockwise from top: Seniors **Christine Kirk** and **Rowena Apacible** wear paper hats made in Mr. Ray Perrone's class. Students often applied math skills to practical purposes as learning examples.

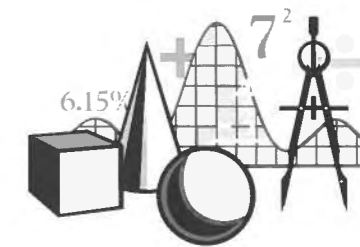


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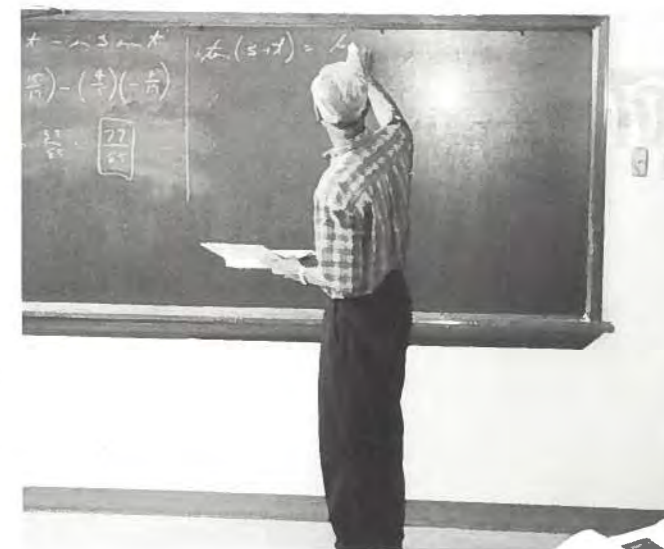
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CALCULUS



Mr. Ray Perrone works a problem on the chalkboard during his math class. In a world full of technology, math teachers used the best tools to explain concepts -- old fashioned chalk and blackboards. **John W. Jergensen** speaks to a class during Math Week. Speakers were professionals working in math fields



SPANISH

¡LIMPIA SU ROPA!



Spanish Club members include: (top row) Nick Cabral, Gabriel Rivas, Jennifer Carvajal, Fernando Casals; (bottom row) Carlos Garcia, Celeste Sanez, Aya Aoshima, Valerie Reyes, Kathryn Bayardo (President), Roxana Apacible, Elaina Barroso and Spanish Club Sponsor Miss Stacey Milkovics.



Amy Escareno (left) smiles for the camera in Spanish class. Many students enjoyed foreign language classes. Jessica Luera (right), a member of Jennifer Falcon's dance troupe, twirls her skirt at the fall Fiesta de Familia. The event raised money for cafeteria renovations.



Hello! Welcome! or ¡Hola! ¡Bienvenidos! The Spanish Club meets every two weeks to celebrate the Spanish heritage of many of our early settlers.

The Spanish Club sponsor is Miss Stacey Milkovics, and she also teaches Spanish levels II-IV Honors. Milkovics inherited the duty from Mrs. Elena McMinn, former Spanish teacher. The Spanish Club gets the students involved in learning about heritage and cultural background. The Spanish Club celebrates all of the Mexican holidays, and always introduces students to a major part of the Spanish culture: FOOD!

The Spanish Club has been raising money to go on a trip to Mexico next year. Many students love being in the Spanish Club and also enjoy the many activities that Srta. Milkovics has planned.

These activities are privileges of being in Spanish Club. ¡Que buena suerte para ellos!

Espanol



Clockwise from top: Debbie Pulido, vocalist for Mariachi Classico, sings a ballad at the fall Fiesta de Familia. The group performed as entertainment for the festival and barbecue that celebrates Mexican heritage. Srta. Milkovics (left) helps Justin Shirley with his assignment. Learning a foreign language often meant asking several questions—in all languages. (Below) On display is the memorial shrine for Dia de los Muertos. Many students contributed a momento for the shrine.



CHOIR

CLEAN, NOT SQUEAKY

Under the direction of Mrs. Kathleen Fowler, the Incarnate Word Academy Choir has demonstrated its dedication and vocal talent throughout the year. The choir has performed as a group at many events and has attended numerous competitions. New members and the pressure of learning new music for competition at the beginning of the second semester did not lower the volume of the group. In fact, the Incarnate Word Choir reached its highest number of members this year. A total of fifty-four freshman, sophomores, juniors and seniors joined the choir, making the group even more Angelic and heavenly to hear. Many of the students joined with no previous singing experience. "At first, I was nervous about singing in front of other people, but after time I relaxed and had fun," senior Israel Salazar said. The voices of these Angels are beautiful, and the spiffy tuxedo shirt costumes are not bad either. Of course, they have to be dry cleaned.



Choir director Mrs. Kathleen Fowler (above) prepares the group for the final concert before TAPPS competition. She always made the choir perform vocal exercises to "Warm up" before singing. Senior Sarah Ermis (at left), junior Leslie Escobedo and freshman Leighann Pollard sing their hearts out at practice. The choir practiced many hours to learn music in English, Italian, German, French and Hebrew.



The music department (above) makes its goal, "Abilene or Bust," evident on a banner across the music hall. The sign referred to the TAPPS music competition in which all music departments competed. Junior Leslie Escobedo (at left) performs her competition solo in Italian before the TAPPS music competition. Choir director Mrs. Kathleen Fowler often encouraged the students to practice performing for family and friends before a competition.

VOICES

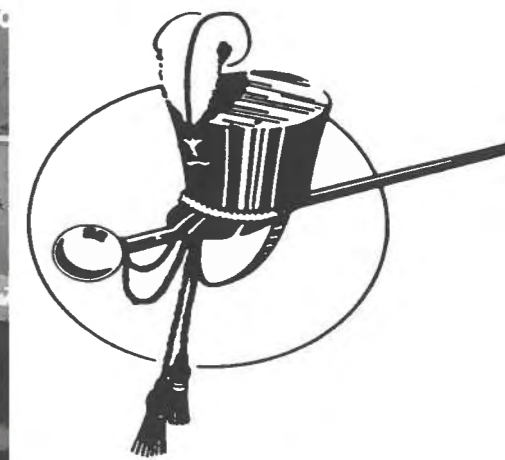
Choir students Paul Juarez, Bailey Schmidt, Nathan Goodwin, Nathan Richardson, Leslie Escobedo, and Yvonne Rio (below, left) all represent IWA as members of the TAPPS Region 14 Honor Choir. They performed competition pieces at auditions. Dressed in tuxedo tops and black bottoms, the choir (below, right) prepares for a concert in the Dougherty Center for family and friends. The choir always maintained a professional appearance when performing for audiences.



BAND TUNED, CLEAN NOTES



Freshmen **Shantel George**(above) and **Deanna Garcia** practice for the Spring concert. The band practiced during class, and after school as well to attain musical perfection. **Sr. Rosa Ortiz**(below) conducts warm-up scales during band class. The band practiced in sections throughout the day in different classes.



Sr. Rosa Ortiz (left) conducts freshmen **Chris Medina**, **Shantel George**, sophomore **Deanna Garcia** during class. The musicians practiced daily.



Anyone standing in the lunch line could hear the toots and teeters of the band practicing under the direction of Sr. Rosa Ortiz. Playing saxophones, xylophones, trumpets and clarinets, band students practiced scales, chorales and tunes daily. The band performed in concert for family and friends, and also at different school functions for parents and visitors. In the spring, the middle school band joined forces with select members of the high school band to march in the Junior Buc Parade celebrating Buccaneer Days, the annual city celebration. Drummers practiced cadences while woodwind and horn players practiced marching tunes in preparation for the big event.

The band also competed at area contests like U.I.L. Solo and Ensemble competition. Students took their musical talents to the top performing drum, sax and flute solos. Band students tried their best to play perfectly in tune, producing good, *clean* notes.

Senior **John Medina** (right) plays a snazzy tune on the drum set. John played with the high school concert band and with the middle school marching band.



DRAMA IT'S A DIRTY JOB



SINGING DANCING ACTING

Junior Nikki Cumberland (above right) struts the latest fashion as "Miss Hannigan," the alcohol toting keeper of the orphanage in *Annie*. Nikki practiced for many hours to nail the squeaking, off key singing voice of the character. Drama Club members are as follows (left, below): Cyrus Mallison, Nathan Richardson, Juli Kim, Amanda Smith, Daniel Luna, Liz Perez, Renee Harris, Araceli Garcia, Leslie Meyer, Katherine Tabone, Michael Newman and sponsor Mrs. Hasse. The Drama Club posed to fit their eclectic personalities. Mr. Woods acts serious during his cameo appearance in *Annie*. Many members of the IWA campus community were involved in the production.



Drama students took IWA back to the era of The Great Depression with the fall production of *Annie, The Musical*. The story of a red headed orphan searching for her true parents was a campus-wide production. Dorothy Pena, an IWA middle school student, played the lead role of the singing and dancing youngster. Also, several middle school students participated playing the roles of orphans and townspeople. Special faculty performances included Mr. Luke Woods and Mr. Ray Perrone as members of Franklin D. Roosevelt's cabinet and Mr. Omar Lopez as Rooster, the scheming brother of Miss Hannigan, played by junior Nikki Cumberland. Hours of hard work, rehearsals, memorization sessions and choreography work resulted in a fine performance. Not to worry, all of the costumes that were dirtied were rented. Someone else did the laundry.

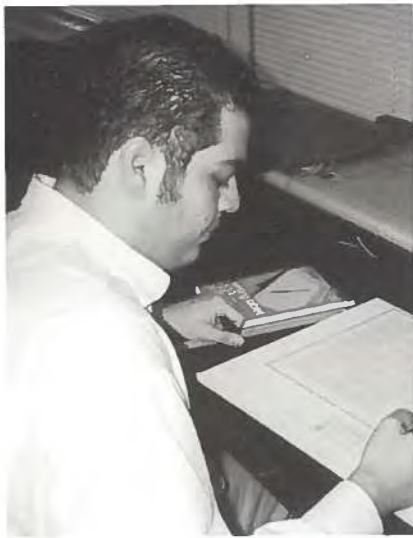


BROADWAY!



Nathan Richardson as Daddy Warbucks and the cast sing the finale in *Annie*. Many parents and friends supported the production. Maria Castanon, Amanda Smith, Kelly Caldwell and Araceli Garcia, acting as maids, sing to entertain the president, played by Cyrus Mallison. He performed the entire show in a wheelchair.

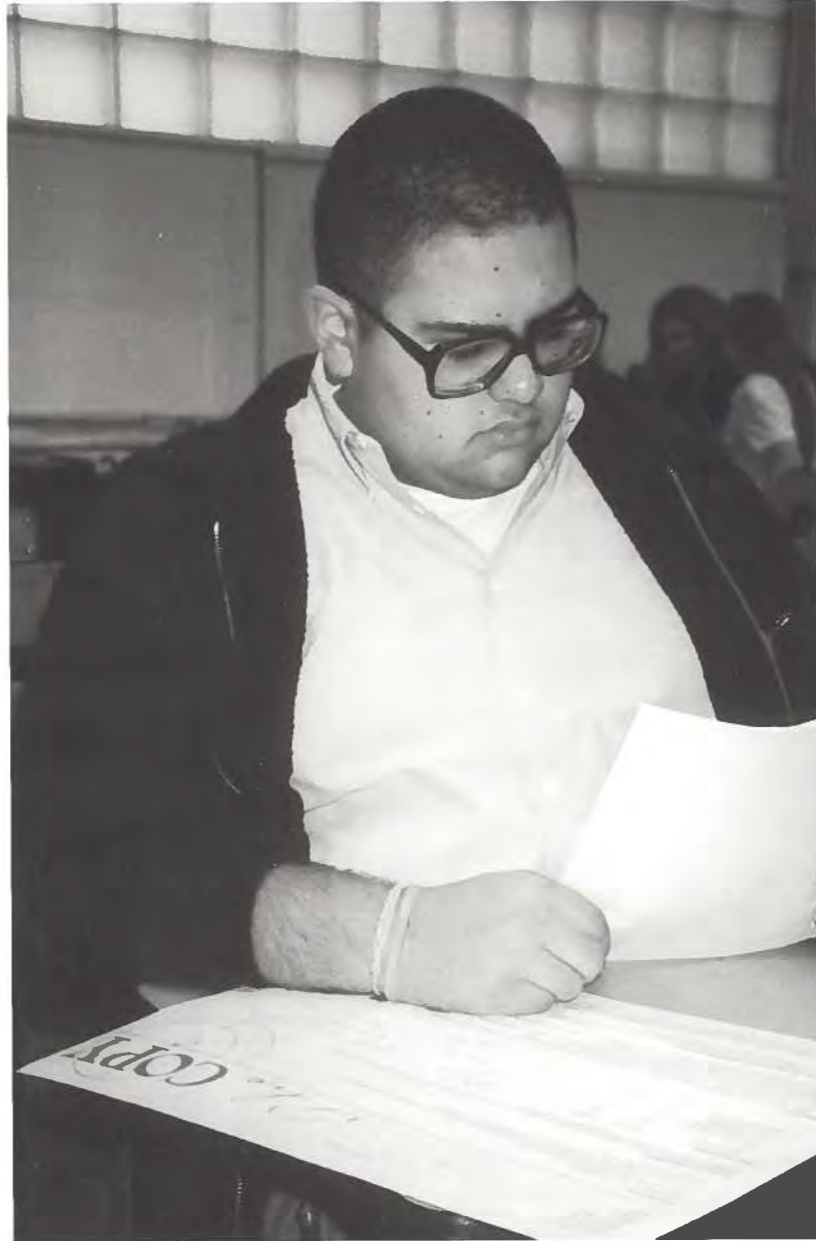




Journalism teacher **Mr. Omar Lopez** (above left) teaches how to design a layout. Mr. Lopez was often seen taking pictures of just about everything at IWA.

1998 THE AURORA

Scooping the dirt and dishing it out defines journalism. Students of Mr. Lopez's journalism class produced the student newspaper, *The Crown*, and the yearbook, *The Aurora*. Journalism students sorted through hundreds of photos for the yearbook and asked hundreds more questions during interviews for the newspaper. Staffers worked after school, on Saturdays, on school holidays and even on Sundays when the final deadline approached. Even the night of *Favorite's*, finals pages were being labeled, pasted and mailed. At the end, our hands were dirty and inky, and many of the photo tools left grease stains on our clothes, but the *Aurora* is *New and Improved*.

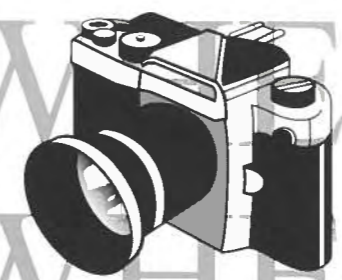


Junior **Dan Guerra** (above right) works on copy for his yearbook spread. Students had to design photos and write blocks of text for their pages. Junior **Gabriel Rivas** smiles for the camera while yearbook co-editor **Dyana Kossum** ducks from the camera. Editors were often tense when deadline time arrived.



JOURNALISM THE WAY IT IS

Sophomore **Amanda Austin** designs a page for the yearbook. Journalism students always tried to reflect the true atmosphere, philosophy and mission statement of IWA.



The Crown

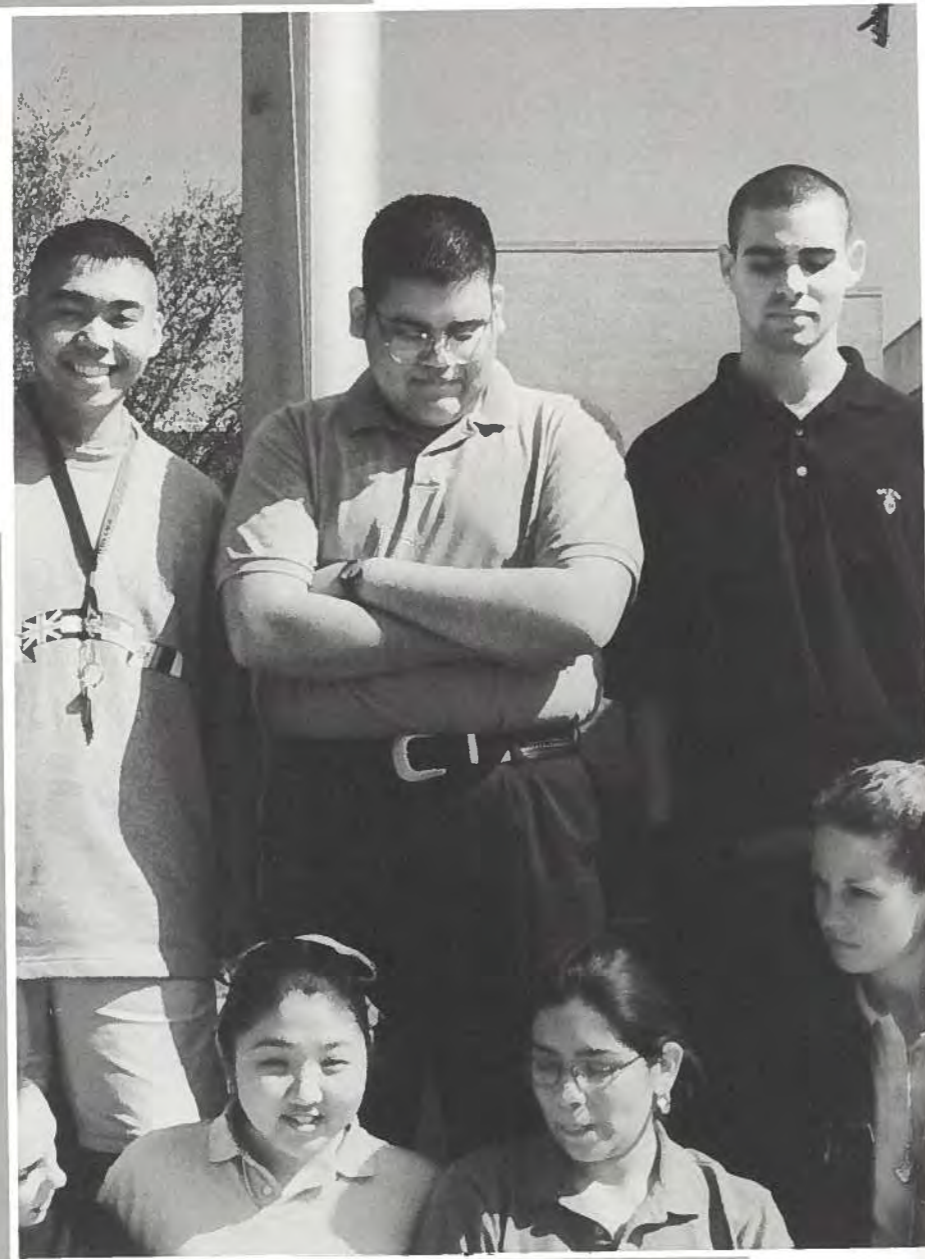


Senior yearbook co-editor **Candice Paiz** (above center) carefully draws a spread for the yearbook. Editors were in charge of fully completing the spreads. Sophomores **Juli Kim**, **Amanda Austin** and **Jeremiah Narvaez** (at left) discuss themes for the yearbook. The staff decided on the theme to reflect the new student body.



ANGELS

Angels only wear clean club tee shirts.



Senior Michael Pammit laughs as senior John Medina and junior Fernando Casals look unhappy with their position for the NIKE Career Club photo. No dirty looks.

Clubs at IWA enhance everything from community involvement to academic enrichment to a thriving social life on campus. Clubs provide a chance for Angels to get involved by sponsoring many school wide activities. Student Council raises money for local charities, gathers toys and hosts the annual Favorites Dance. P.A.L.S. collects food for those less fortunate during the holidays and provides guidance for the entire student body. NHS provides well deserved recognition for academically exceling students and it publishes the yearly literary magazine. NHS also tutors any student who needs help in a subject, except math--that's left for Mu Alpha Theta. Count your club tees--and make sure they're clean.



STUDENT COUNCIL A CLEAN IMAGE



Junior **Barbara Schauer** puts finishing touches on the backdrop for the Favorite's Dance. The theme of the dance was "Romance on the Bayou." Student Council members (below) gather for a photograph. Senior **Jennifer Montgomery** is president and sponsor is Mrs. Anne Keehan.

Student Council is the authority when it comes to good things at IWA. The group, elected by homerooms, is comprised of the most personable personalities in the school. Peers decide whom they want to represent them. The "reps" are the steam in the iron that wrinkles away negativity and makes IWA revered for positive, wholesome, fun, Christian learning. Student Council makes sure that no one is forgotten by delivering birthday cards to students every month, displaying the school bulletin board calendar, distributing Advent Angel gifts and doing many other helpful deeds. Student Council also sponsors the Favorites Dance, Furture Freshman Day, clothing and food drives and many student contests. Student Council is also responsible for the recycling program on campus. Even with their hectic schedules, they never forget about doing the laundry: Student Council also sponsors Spirit Shirt Days.

PROJECTS



Senior **Megan Byrne** (above), Miss School-Wide Spirit, and junior **Albert Lucio**, Mr. School-Wide Spirit, pal around for the photographer at the Favorite's Dance. Student Council sponsored the dance and painted the backdrop for the pictures. **Yvonne Rio** (at left), **Babis Davila**, **Elaina Barroso** and **Juli Kim** try to untangle the "Human Knot." Students played "ice-breakers" at retreats to learn more about each other.

DEEDS



Sophomore **Aya Aoshima** (at left), junior **Barbara Schauer** and junior **Judy Sheridan** work as a team to "get the job done" at the annual Beach Clean-Up. Many Student Council members volunteered for community service projects. Student Council members sing and cheer at the annual lock-in. Student Council members attended a lock-in at the beginning of the year to meet one another and to welcome new members.



P.A.L.S. AVOIDING STATIC



Member of P.A.L.S. are: (top row) sponsor Mrs. Isabel Cavazos, John-Michael Alaniz, Nathan Richardson, Gabriel Rivas, Nancy Leon and Barbara Schauer. Also pictured are: (middle row) Danielle Diegel, Amanda Leveck, Marissa Valent, Nick Cabral, Araceli Garcia, Adrian Romero and Israel Salazar. Also: (bottom row) President Angela Perez, Candace Saldivar and Elizabeth Perez. Students selected to be a member of P.A.L.S. attend a workshop to learn the fundamentals of peer counseling. Peer counselors attended different seminars to understand the concept of being a peer counselor. Senior Angela Perez (at right) prepares snack packs to distribute to students after school. P.A.L.S. maintained high visibility throughout the school year.



P.A.L.S. stands for Peer Accepting, Learning and Sharing group. P.A.L.S. acts as a peer mediation and counseling group for the Angels of IWA. If a student has a problem, he can choose to speak with a P.A.L. along with a school counselor or teacher. Members of P.A.L.S. are trained to listen and help find the best possible solution to any conflict. P.A.L.S. also advocated community service. This year, the group held a food drive at Thanksgiving and received an overwhelming response. More than ten baskets of food were distributed to families in the Coastal Bend. P.A.L.S. also became involved with National Catholic School Week. They sponsored a door contest that awarded prizes such as a class cake or class banana splits. "This is the best P.A.L.S. group I've ever had," Isabel Cavazos, sponsor, said.



Candace Saldivar, Nick Cabral, Nancy Leon, Nathan Richardson, Gabriel Rivas and Adina Alloco pose for a picture with a poster sponsoring Drug-Free Week. P.A.L.S. also sponsored Red Ribbon Week. Two of the doors in the P.A.L.S. door decorating contest. Students created doors that reflected the personality of the class.

COUNSELING



NHS SORTED SCHOLARS



Members of the National Honor Society are: (top row) Katherine Lucio, Danielle Diegel, Mikel Abreu, Michael Pammit, Adrianna Lynch, Ashley Allen, Kristin Hall, Barbara Schauer, Leslie Meyer, Adrian Garcia and Israel Salazar. Also pictured are: (third row from bottom) Mysti Grant, Judith Shreidan, Lindsey New, Karina Guerra, Christine Kirk, Monica Newman, Melina Salazar, Alma Saudia and sponsor Mrs. Clelia Casey. Also pictured: (second row from bottom) Jennifer Montgomery, Lizette Solis, Sarah Cruse and Scarlett Farrage. Officers kneeling are Amelia Giovannone, Shannon Stacy, Alberto Garza, Dante Paiz and Rowena Apacible.



Senior and National Honor Society president Alberto Garza (at left) reads at the NHS induction during a school wide Mass. New members, having no previous knowledge of being selected to be in NHS, were pulled from the crowd to participate in the induction ceremony.



Angels who dedicate themselves to achieving the best they possibly can academically are honorably rewarded by being inducted to the Incarnate Word Academy La Salle chapter of the National Honor Society. Top ranked students, those keeping a ninety five average or higher in their classes and who have the responsible reputation to garner a teacher recommendation may be selected for the honor society. Along with maintaining scholarly excellence, NHS members offer a much needed service to the campus community: tutoring. NHS members also publish a literary magazine in the spring. Behold the fine fabrics of the tapestry of Incarnate Word. NHS members are the products of hard work, commitment and a love for academia.

Senior NHS officer Rowena Apacible (above left) lights the ceremonial candles for the induction ceremony. NHS members continued the traditions set forth by the society. Senior Amelia Giovannone (above right) poses and grins for the camera. NHS members were not just all work! Senior Alberto Garza (below) leads the society as they begin to induct new members. New members were surprised as they were pulled from the audience.



SERVICE HELPING IS NO FLUFF

Incarnate Word Academy makes service to others and volunteer work a constant of student life. The Octagon Club, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Anne Keehan, is a nationally chartered organization that dedicates its mission to serving others. Throughout the year, the Octagon Club sponsors various activities, including participation in the annual project Beach CleanUp. They also donate more than time. Club members organize food, clothing and toy drives to gather gifts for those less fortunate in the community. This year, the club donated Christmas gifts to special families and Valentines to children at Driscoll Children's Hospital. Octagon club members also volunteer at The Special Olympics. Club members are also responsible for inspirational messages left in lockers and posted through the halls. To Octagonians, service is good, *clean* fun.



Senior and Octagon Club president **Dante Paiz** leads new members of the Octagon Club as they are inducted. New members were required to hold candles and recite a membership speech. Every year the club hosts an induction ceremony.

Octagon members gather for a group photo. Octagon officers include **Candice Paiz**, Vice-President; **Dante Paiz**, President and **Jennifer Montgomery**, Secretary. The Octagon Club sponsor is **Mrs. Keehan**.



Octagon Club vice-president, senior **Candice Paiz** (at right), stands with freshman **Robert Boostrom** after being elected governor and lieutenant governor of the Octagon district. Both Angels had to deliver a speech before being elected. **Roxana Apacible** (below) and **Sarah Steele** wait for **Juli Kim** as she prepares to bowl at the Octagon Club Bowl-A-Thon. The Octagon Club invited everyone to attend fundraisers during the year to help defray costs of club donations.



**VOLUNTEER
VOLUNTEER
SERVICE
SERVICE**



Give a  **HELPING**
 **HAND**



OCTAGON CLUB

Octagon Club members hold donated Christmas gifts for children in the Head Start program in Robstown, Texas. Members donated very generously to needy children during the holidays.

ANGELS here

When the school year started, no one anticipated the overwhelming changes that were waiting to happen. Of course everyone prepared for the big day, but the merging of the former Corpus Christi Academy campus and the Incarnate Word Academy Secondary Level took the teachers, parents and especially students to a new level in education. New voices began to express opinions. New ears began to listen. New faces said hello in the hallways. New leaders surfaced in every classroom. Most of all, a new atmosphere seeped from every crevice of IWA, one full of positive energy. IWA was no longer a "small Catholic high school," but more than ever a new force that would make its name known bigger than ever academically, athletically and spiritually. The Angels were now teeming with strengths in every single student that walked the halls of IWA. The student body was not just changed, it was *New and Improved*. No dirty laundry here.



Junior **Frankie Davila** carries his sister, Sophomore **Babis Davila**, through the hallway. Senior **John Medina** (at left) plays in the first IWA Drum Corp. Medina and others formed the group to promote spirit at the pep rallies. Senior **Brian Burk** carefully observes the hallway during passing periods.



Seniors **Ashley Allen** and **Rowena Apacible** (above) say quick hellos while they pass each other in the hallway. The hallways were much more crowded this year because of the increase in students.



Senior **Mark Buck** (below) holds the victory trophy after the Boy's Varsity Soccer team wins third place in the state. The Angels beat San Antonio Christian 4-3 in Austin, Texas, to claim their prize: a state "Top Four" title.

Freshman **Jacob Kapusta** waves as he enters his car after a long day at IWA. Many ninth graders had to adjust to the rigors of high school quickly.



PEOPLE



Mikel Abreu
Incarnate Word Academy



Hector Alfaro
Incarnate Word Academy



Ashley Allen
Incarnate Word Academy



Adina Allocco
Corpus Christi Academy



Abel Alvarez
Corpus Christi Academy



Rowena Apacible
Incarnate Word Academy



Fernando Araiza
Incarnate Word Academy



Edward Arellano
Incarnate Word Academy



Kathryn Bayardo
Corpus Christi Academy



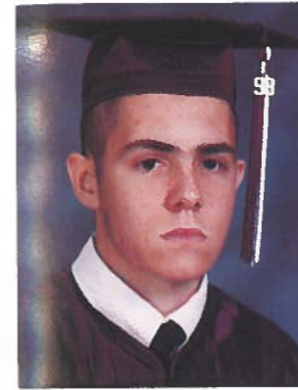
Giovana Berastain
Incarnate Word Academy



Lorie Beste
Incarnate Word Academy



Mark Buck
Incarnate Word Academy



Brian Burk
Corpus Christi Academy



Megan Byrne
Incarnate Word Academy



Holly Cady
Incarnate Word Academy



Stacey Caldwell
Incarnate Word Academy



Jessica Chodosh
Incarnate Word Academy



Adriana Contreras
Incarnate Word Academy



Amanda Cumberland
Corpus Christi Academy



John Detmer
Incarnate Word Academy



Danielle Diegel
Corpus Christi Academy



Missy Dubuque
Corpus Christi Academy



Nathan Eby
Incarnate Word Academy



Sarah Ermis
Corpus Christi Academy

Class of 1998

THE DELICATES

SENIORS

The Class of 1998 proved to be one that must be *Handled with Care*.



Senior **David Salinas** is found sitting on the job, literally, in Mrs. Shelton's Art Class. His tie was a common accessory on school Mass days.



Seniors lead the spirit chant at the first pep rally. School spirit definitely soared with the addition of the new seniors.



Senior **Alberto Garza** shows his spirit by painting his face. Many students roamed the hallways with red 'A's and halos on pep rally days.



Seniors **Michael Pammit, Kathryn Bayardo, Andrew Saenz** and **Adriana Contreras** splash at the Senior Pool Party. Seniors bonded early in the year by participating in class events after school.

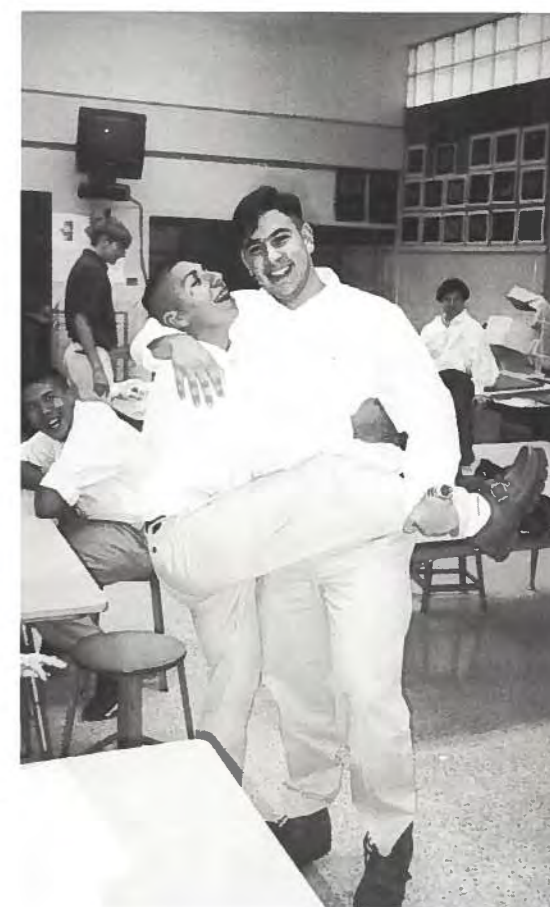
The Senior Class of 1998 washed all others away. They left underclassmen hanging to dry on the line, possessing a sense of school spirit and retaining a strong feeling of unity. This shined at the first pep rally, where the Seniors won the class spirit stick. The addition of thirty new seniors boosted class spirit considerably, and gave the whole a class a fresh feeling. The Seniors also prided themselves on diversity. Everything was in the wash: quiet students, studious students, class clowns, and the outspoken, outgoing leaders. *By Candice Paiz*



Senior **Rene Gonzales** shows no reaction to the camera. Seniors focused on academics and applying to college throughout the year.



Seniors **William Powers** and **Tracy Hutchinson** cuddle by the gym. Many seniors left high school with life long friends dating back to elementary school.



Seniors **Andy Torres** and **Rey Tapia** just kickin' it in art class. Many students began to act a little goofy when seventh period finally arrived.

SENIORS 1998



Scarlett Farage
Corpus Christi Academy



Adrian Garcia
Corpus Christi Academy



Abelardo Garza
Corpus Christi Academy



Alberto Garza
Incarnate Word Academy



Amanda Garza
Incarnate Word Academy



Melanie Garza
Corpus Christi Academy



Sierra Gill
Incarnate Word Academy



Amelia Giovannone
Incarnate Word Academy



Gabriel Gonzales
Corpus Christi Academy



Sarah Gonzales
Corpus Christi Academy



Rene Gonzalez
Incarnate Word Academy



Mysti Grant
Incarnate Word Academy



Joseph Guernsey
Incarnate Word Academy



Karina Guerra
Incarnate Word Academy



Roel Gutierrez
Corpus Christi Academy



Judy Hanley
Incarnate Word Academy



David Hart
Incarnate Word Academy



Brandon Hewitt
Incarnate Word Academy



Sarah Hill
Incarnate Word Academy



Tracy Hutchinson
Incarnate Word Academy



Christine Kirk
Incarnate Word Academy



Dyana Kossum
Incarnate Word Academy



Curtis Laich-Rock
Incarnate Word Academy



Susan Lawrence
Incarnate Word Academy

Class of 1998

CLASS OF 1998

SENIORS WASH SEPARATELY

After a hard week of school full of tests, assignments, long lectures and essays, the Class of 1998 made time to rinse away the stress by taking a tumble on *Low*: low work, low stress, low maintenance. Seniors found various activities to help them relax, like shopping at the mall, going to parties and dining out. Outside activities provided time for Seniors to bond and establish friendships. Free time especially allowed the seniors from both schools to bond and create one, united, *New and Improved* senior class. Some of us even played sports in the rain. Of course, we all washed our clothes afterwards. *By Dyana Kossum*



Senior **Abel Garza** (above) takes a dunk at the Senior Pool Party. **Dante Paiz** and **Megan Byrne** (below) smile as they make spirit posters for the pep rally.



Seniors **Jennifer Montgomery**, **Heather Thomas** and **Lorie Smith** show their school spirit at the Boy's Varsity State soccer game in Austin. Many students traveled the distance to watch the Mighty Angels, combining fun and travel.



Seniors **Dante Paiz**, **Joey Vela**, **Alberto Garza** and **Mikel Abreu** show their close friendship after a rainy game of football. Many students relieved the stress of senior year by playing sports on the weekends.



Seniors **Giovanna Berastain**, **Amanda Garza**, **Dyana Kossum**, **Karina Guerra**, **Candice Paiz** and **Christina Moon** celebrate at Senior **Megan Byrne**'s birthday party. Parties became a pastime on the weekends for many seniors.

Seniors **Alberto Garza** and **Karina Guerra** spend an evening out dining at The Olive Garden restaurant. Many friends would dine together on the weekends.





Joe Lerma
Corpus Christi Academy



Tami Longoria
Corpus Christi Academy



Ana Lopez
Incarnate Word Academy



Katherine Lucio
Corpus Christi Academy



Adrianna Lynch
Incarnate Word Academy



Edward Marjy
Corpus Christi Academy



Karl McCloskey
Corpus Christi Academy



John Medina
Corpus Christi Academy



Christopher Montez
Corpus Christi Academy



Jennifer Montgomery
Incarnate Word Academy



Christina Moon
Incarnate Word Academy



Lindsey New
Incarnate Word Academy



Monica Newman
Corpus Christi Academy



Candice Paiz
Incarnate Word Academy



Dante Paiz
Incarnate Word Academy



Sadie Palmer
Incarnate Word Academy



Michael Pammit
Corpus Christi Academy



Angela Perez
Incarnate Word Academy



Santiago Perez
Corpus Christi Academy



Meredith Perry
Incarnate Word Academy



Marina Pineda
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William Powers
Incarnate Word Academy



Valerie Reyes
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Jorge Rodriguez
Incarnate Word Academy

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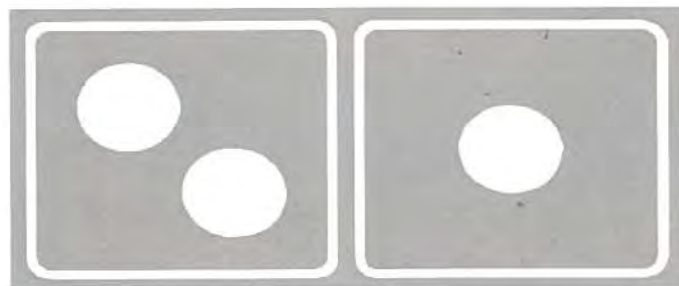
WISKED AWAY

SENIORS

The Class of 1998 never thought about *stains* when it came to eats.



Seniors **Rene Gonzales, Angela Perez, Candice Paiz** and **Christina Moon** eat lunch at Panda's Chinese Restaurant. Many students developed close friendships while eating out together.



Seniors **Shannon Stacy, Amelia Giovnone** and **Giovanna Berastain** enjoy a night out at the Olive Garden Italian Restaurant. They were celebrating Senior Alberto Garza's birthday.

The long held tradition of off-campus lunch finally arrived for the Senior Class of 1998. They had been anxiously waiting four years for the laundry to dry to put on fresh duds and raid all the local eateries. The most popular restaurants that made lunch a much remembered experience were Elva's, Whataburger and McDonald's. Seniors could hardly keep their clothes unwrinkled in anticipation for fourth period to end so that the day's off-campus adventures could begin. With each new day came new friends, new menus, and, of course, new outfits.

By *Candice Paiz*



Seniors **Holly Cady, William Powers, Meredith Perry, Stacey Caldwell** and **Sarah Hill** enjoy lunch at Elva's Mexican Restaurant, a popular lunch spot. Seniors took advantage of their off-campus lunch privileges.



Senior **Rene Gonzales** stares at the camera for a quick shot. Seniors often worked through the lunch hour to complete homework assignments due to difficult course loads.



SENIORS
1998



Adrian Romero
Incarnate Word Academy



Nick Rowland
Corpus Christi Academy



Andrew Saenz
Corpus Christi Academy



Israel Salazar
Corpus Christi Academy



Melina Salazar
Corpus Christi Academy



David Salinas
Corpus Christi Academy



Alma Saudia
Corpus Christi Academy



Matthew Scott
Incarnate Word Academy



Lori Smith
Incarnate Word Academy



Shannon Stacy
Incarnate Word Academy



Trey Sterns
Incarnate Word Academy



Rey Tapia
Corpus Christi Academy



Heather Thomas
Incarnate Word Academy



Andrew Torres
Corpus Christi Academy



Brenda Valadez
Incarnate Word Academy



Monica Valadez
Corpus Christi Academy



Desiree Valdez
Incarnate Word Academy



Joey Vela
Incarnate Word Academy



Kimberly Wittliff
Incarnate Word Academy



Patrick Brazell
Incarnate Word Academy



Seniors **Megan Byrne, Heather Thomas** and **Mikel Abreu** "chill" at the Senior Pool Party at the beginning of the year. Seniors took advantage of special class activities.

Class of 1998

CLASS OF 2001

Freshmen **Cynthia Gonzalez** and **Marissa Valent** work hard on posters after school. Many freshmen became very involved in Student Council.



Alaniz, John Michael
Allen, James

Almaguer, Kristina
Alonzo, David



Freshman **Crystal Romero** smiles when she's caught "off-guard." The freshman class outnumbered the upperclassmen this year.

Davis, Caitlin
DeAngelo, Aimee

Denniston, Tom
Dimas, Stephanie

Aoshima, Masato
Araiza, Elizabeth
Avalos, Andres
Axelrod, Luis
Bailey, Travis



Baldera, Scott
Barrett, David
Beck, Matthew
Beers, Chris
Balacazar, Alberto



Benavides, Crystal
Bernie, James
Bonelli, Amelia
Boostrom, Robert
Bowen, Lauren



Cabwell, William
Carlson, James
Castillo, Brian
Chapa, Michael
Cuellar, Xavier



Enriquez, Benjamin
Fitzgerald, Kim
Flinn, Erin
Flores, Krystal
Flores, Regina



Fretz, Lauren
Galligan, Jaime
Garcia, Amanda
Garcia, Frankie
Garcia, Oscar



Garza, Anthony
Garza, Daniel
Garza, Lorina
Garza, Robert
George, Saran



Godines, Dorothy
Gomes, Veronica
Gonzales, Cynthia
Gonzales, Marcilio
Goodwin, Nathan

FRESHMEN

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Freshman **Alberto Balacazar** takes a peek at the camera while studying in Sister Judith Marie's class. All freshmen made posters with the "WWJD?" logo.



Guajardo, Gabriel
Guerra, David

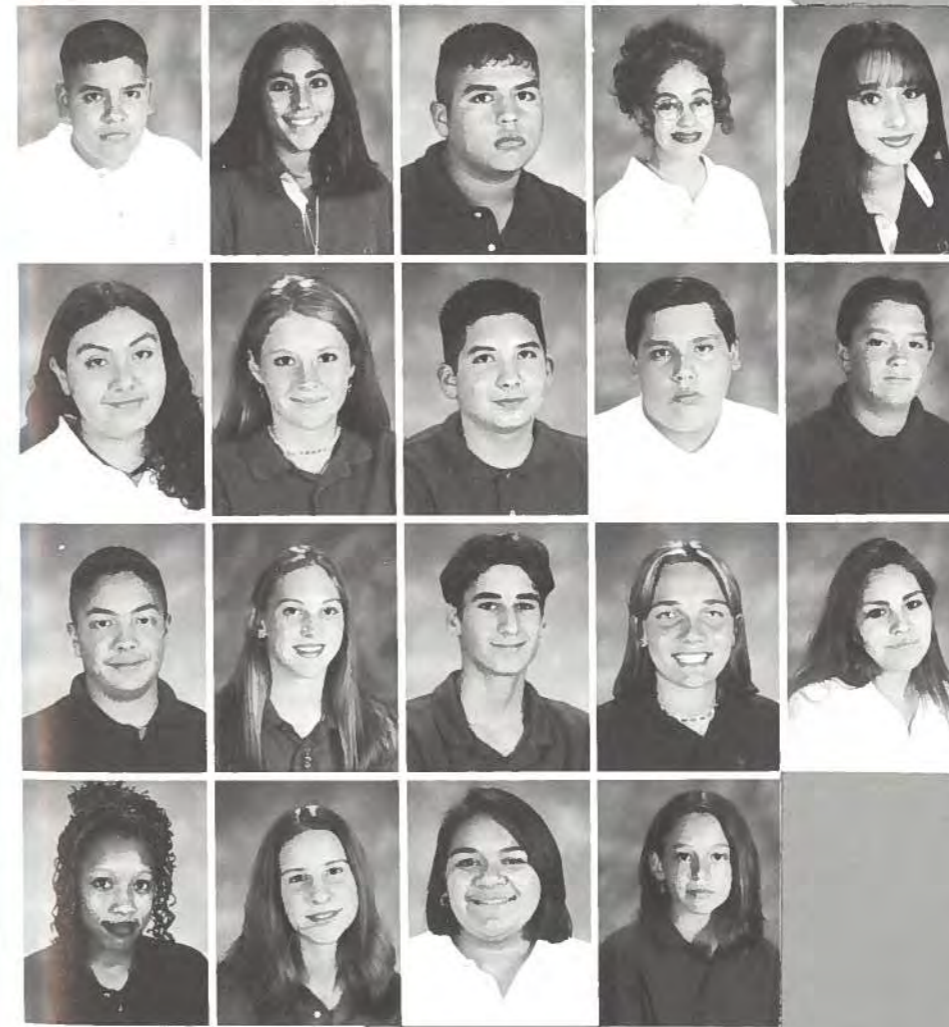
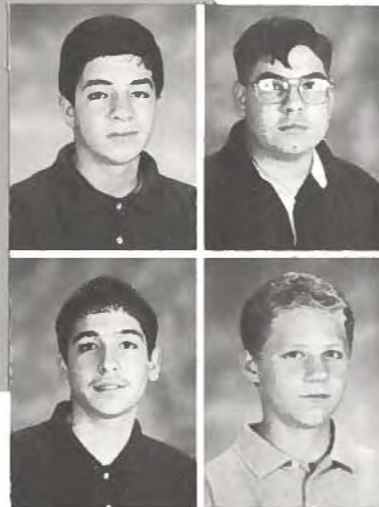
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Hammack, Daniel

Hayes, Joseph
Hinojosa, Daniel
Hynes, Megan
Janosek, Nicole
Johnson, Katy

Juarez, Paul
Kapusta, Jacob
Kara, Jason
Kim, Samuel
Kocian, Leslie

Laich-Rock, Clifford
Lazo, Leticia
Leveck, Amanda
Licktieg, Mary Beth
Long, Nathan

Lopez, Diana
Luna, Daniel
Martinez, Audrey
Martinez, Cody



Freshmen **Tina Trevino, Jennifer Mondragon** and **Leticia Lazo** study hard in the lab.



Matula, Daelynn
McGettrick, Paula

McGuire, Kendra
McKee, Helen

Medina, Christopher
Mendez, Adrianna
Mendez, Sergio
Molina, Cathy
Mondragon, Jennifer

Montez, Kristine
Moore, Julie
Moraida, Rene
Moreno, Michael
Nauer, Justin

Narvaez, Joseph
O'Connell, Katherine
Paterno, Sky
Pearson, Kimberly
Perez, Martina

Pollard, Leighann
Rotter, Rose
Prado, April
Puente, Vanessa

CLASS OF 2001

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Freshman Sky Paterno hangs out behind the main hallway. Many people played wallball against the gym wall after lunch and after school.



Quintero, Tommy
Ramirez, Kristina

Rentena, Richard
Roberts, Teddy



Rodriguez, DeeAnna
Rodrique, William
Romero, Crystal
Romo, Maxine
Saenz, John



Salomon, Rudy
Schmidt, Bailey
Serna, Carlos
Smith, Amanda
Snapka, Ben



Solis, Marisa
Spence, Charlotte
Suarez, Savannah
Sundance, Michael
Trevino, Lorraine



Trevino, Tina
Trice, Ray
Valent, Marissa
Vasquez, Marcella
Villarreal, Marcos



Freshmen Audrey Martinez, Cody Martinez and Marc Martinez look confused during homeroom. Homeroom meant a short lunch for many freshmen.



Villarreal, Timothy
Villarreal, Vanessa



Villegas, Martin
Ward, Phillip



Wilson, Jennette
Woodson, Roland
Yanes, Erica
Yturria, Gabriel
Zampikos, Nicole



Zavala, Marissa



Freshmen Amelia Bonelli runs in the TAAPS State Cross Country meet in Waco, Texas. IWA sent the top eight runners of each team to the state race.

SOPHOMORES

Allen, Taylor
Alvarez, Mia

Aoshima, Aya
Apacible, Roxana Myra

Arsenian, Justin
Austin, Amanda
Ayala, David
Barrera, Alejandra
Barrett, John

Barroso, Elaina
Blanco, Elizabeth
Buck, Erin
Cabral, Nick
Cantu, Natalie

Casarez, Laura
Carvajal, Jennifer
Castaneda, Adrianna
Castaneda, Charlotte
Castaneda, Myra

Castanon, Maria
Castillo, Timothy
Choe, Min Kyong
Cochrum, Kevin
Cordero, Dorian



Cortinas, Anna
Crain, Allison

Cruz, Crystal
Davila, Babis

Duncan, Melynda
Duran, Erica
Elizondo, Daniel
Emerson, Thomas
Escareno, Amy

Escobedo, David
Everett, Carlos
Farley, Amanda
Fernandez, Denise
Fernandez, Linda

Fledderman, Robert
Franck, Laurel
Garcia, Araceli
Garcia, Deanna
Garcia, Julio

Garcia, Priscilla
Garza, Desiree
Garza, Maria
Garza, Kristen
Gomez, Yolanda

CLASS OF 2000

SOPHOMORES

Sophomore **Gilda Tamar** waits for class while wearing her Red Ribbon in support of Red Ribbon Week. The celebration is a week long campaign to stop drug use.



Gongora, Elizabeth
Gonzales, P.J.



Sophomore **Charles Gover** studies in the hall before school. Many students studied before school, but the halls were always empty after the last bell.

McGettrick, Kelly
Mogbo, Chinezeh



Morales, Junior
Murray, Sheila

Gover, Charles
Harris, Renee
Herrera, Monique
Hill, Arnold
Irving, Erin



Newman, Michael
Narvaez, Jeremiah
Payne, Matt
Pena, Al
Reifenberger, Kate

Jaimes, Nicole
Johnson, Staci
Jozwiak, Jacob
Kim, Juli
Krauss, Linsey



Richardson, Erica
Rinaldi, Ann
Rio, Yvonne
Rodriguez, Rene
Saenz, Celeste

Laudadio, Kelly
Leon, Nancy
Lerma, Amanda
Lozev, Gabrielle
Mallison, Cyrus



Saenz, Marie
Saldivar, Candace
Saldivar, Damion
Salinas, Al
Salinas, Jackie

Marek, Austin
Martinez, Miguel
Matey, Andrew
McCleary, Shanon



Sambitan, Doni
Sanchez, Myra
Sheridan, Brian
Shirley, Justin
Steele, Sarah

CLASS OF 2000

Sophomore **Rene Rodriguez** runs at the TAPPS State Cross Country Meet. The runners were a familiar sight every afternoon on Ocean Drive.

Allen, Taylor
Alvarez, Mia

Aoshima, Aya
Apacible, Roxana Myra

Arsenian, Justin
Austin, Amanda
Ayala, David
Barrera, Alejandra
Barrett, John



Sophomore **Kathryn Tabone** listens intently to Spanish teacher **Sra. Elena McMinin**. Foreign language classes offered a sampling of culture as well as vocabulary.



Sophomore **Juli Kim** waits to use the phone at Del Mar College during South Texas Press Day. Students who attended the workshop were left stranded at the college due to heavy rains and flash floods all over the city.



Sophomore **Crystal Cruz** horseshoes around at a photo shoot. Crystal was always at the top of the pyramids because of her tiny frame.



Sophomores **Desiree Garza, Jacob Jozwiak** and **Jennifer Wilde** work together on a project. Sophomores experienced the stress of harder classes and a larger workload.

SOPHOMORES

CLASS OF 2000

CLASS OF 1999

Junior **Andrew Briones** arrives in class full of laughter and cheer. His spirits always warmed the hearts of teachers.



Alvarez, Bryan
Anzaldua, Jesse

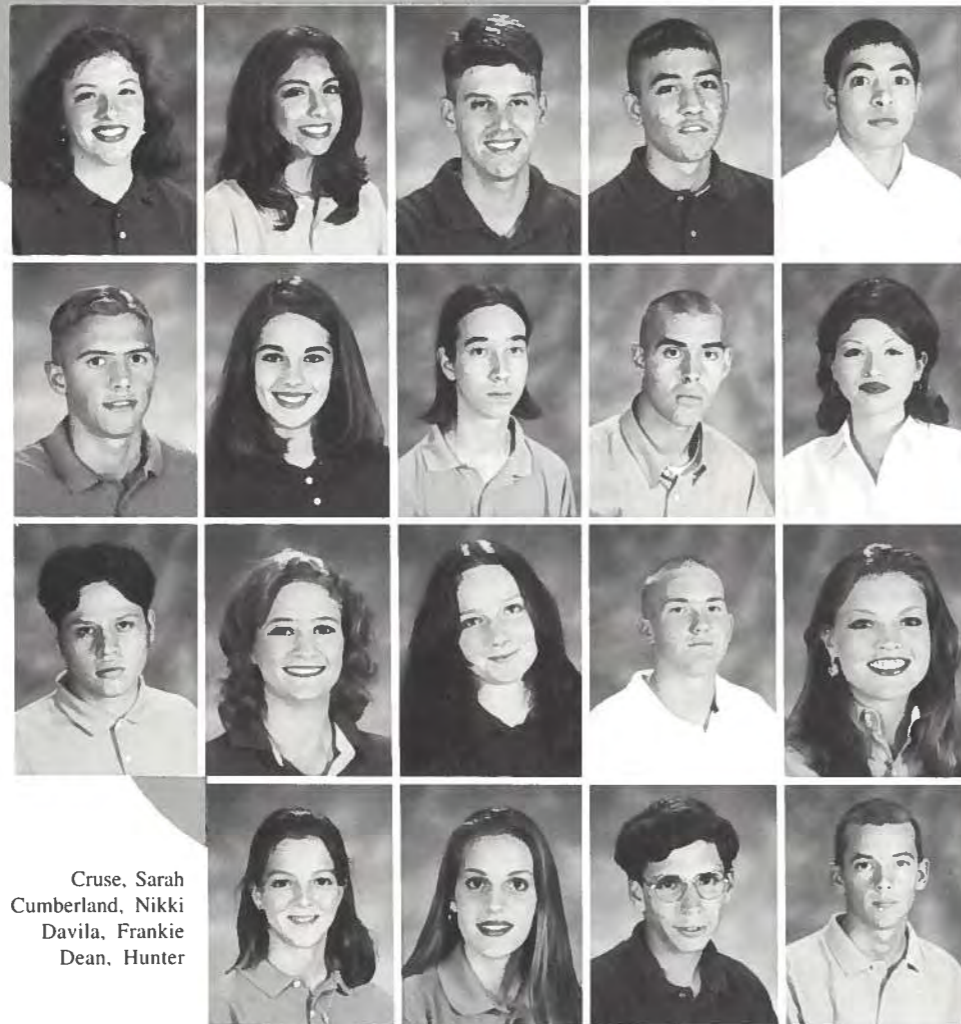
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Casals, Fernando
Cassiano, Nichole

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Cruse, Sarah
Cumberland, Nikki
Davila, Frankie
Dean, Hunter



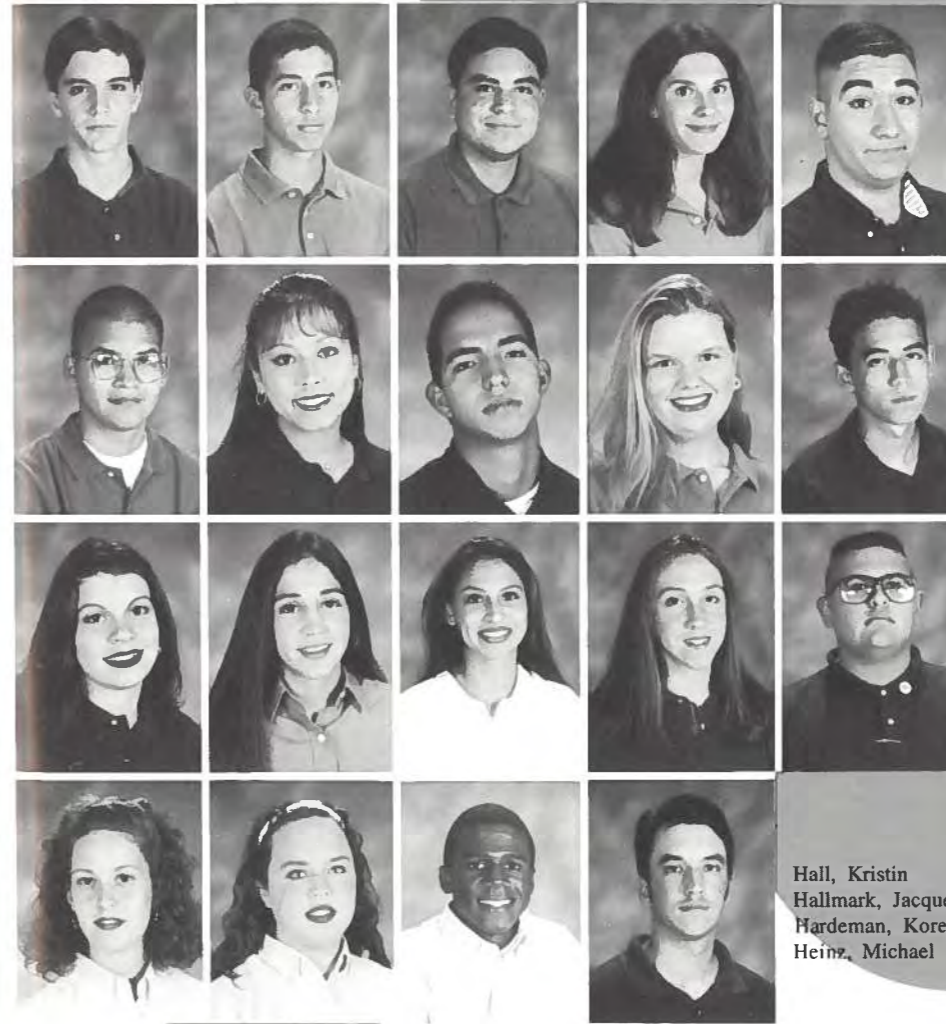
JUNIORS

Juniors **Thomas Lazo** and **Guy Snyder** capture aliens at the annual IWA Appeal Dinner. They spoofed the summer film *Men In Black*.



Dill, Kristen
Ellis, Bryan

Escobedo, Leslie
Farias, Andrew



Feeney, Brendan
Flores, Carlos
Flores, Jose
Fritz, Molly
Garcia, Arnie

Garcia, Carlos
Garcia, Ronica
Garza, Sergio
Gillenwater, Jacqueline
Goddard, Adriel

Gomez, Crystal
Gonzales, Lauren
Gonzalez, Raquel
Guernsey, Amber
Guerra, Daniel

Hall, Kristin
Hallmark, Jacquelyn
Hardeman, Korey
Heinz, Michael

CLASS OF 1999

Junior **Sophia Lee** creates a masterpiece. Art class was always a favorite among students.



Juarez, Albert
Koclanes, Kallieste

Kubicek, David
Landivar, Juan

Lazo, Thomas
Lee, Sophia
Long, Jeremy
Lozano, Brenda
Lucio, Albert

Macias, Manuel
Markl, Matthew
Martinez, Rafaela
McCurdy, Paige
Mendieta, Justin

Meyer, Leslie
Moraida, Ruben
Oelschlegel, Josh
Palmer, Ashley
Palmer, Guy

Passeri, Marco
Perez, Beto
Perez, Bobby
Perez, Elizabeth
Pigott, Armi



With painted faces and Angel pride, the **Juniors** rally up spirit at the first pep rally of the year. Juniors took a commanding role in the battle of spirit.

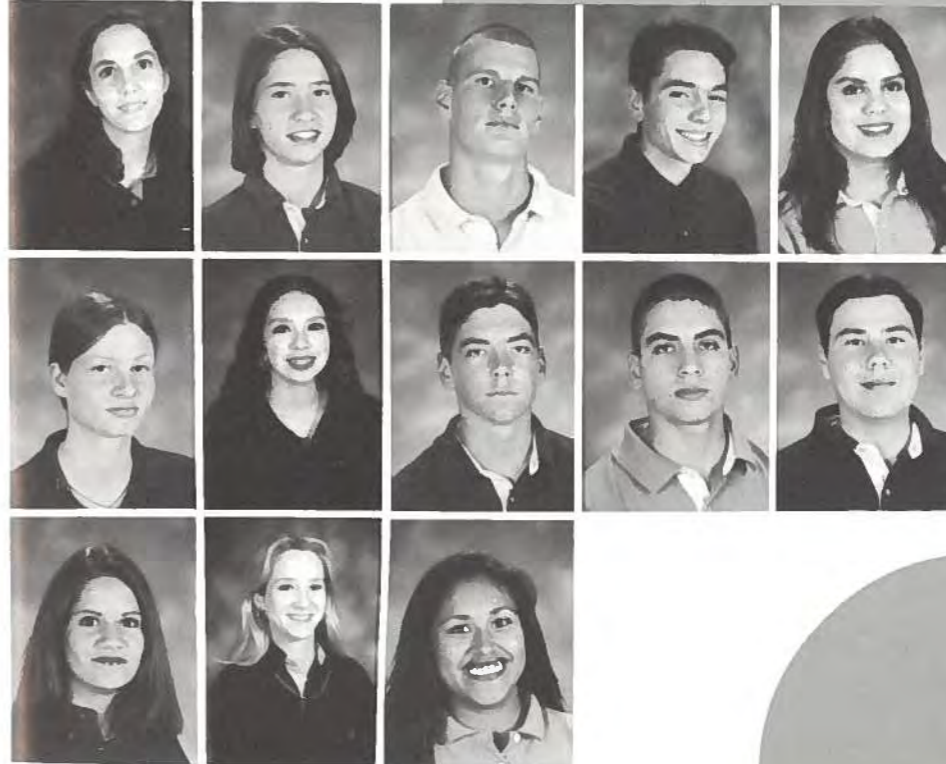
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Rodriguez, Alma
Salinas, Daniel

Schauer, Barbara
Sheridan, Judith
Snapka, Steven
Snyder, Guy
Solis, Lizette

Tedesco, Kristin
Terrazas, Samantha
Tisdale, Sam
Trevino, Brandon
Tunches, Christopher

Vara, Kerith
Wardle, Susan
Zuniga, Frankie



JUNIORS

FACULTY

Principal **Sr. Martha O'Gara** looks away briefly from administrative duties for a quick snapshot. **Sr. Martha** was very visible on campus, always available for students, parents and visitors.



Sr. Martha O'Gara
Principal
Mrs. Clelia Casey
Dean of Academics
English

Cecelia Guajardo
Dean of Students
Lynda Richter
Office Secretary



Sr. Eileen Doherty inspects her materials for the P.A.L.S. Door Decorating contest during National Catholic Schools Week. **Sr. Eileen's** doors won first place and an ice cream sundae party.

Mrs. Anne Keehan
Mrs. Gayle Keramian

Sr. Mary Ann Korczynski
Mr. David Hemphill

Sr. Henri Amador
Sr. Catherine Brehony
Sr. Pat Burns
Mrs. Isabel Cavazos



Mr. Omar Lopez
Sr. Emiliana Mampallil
Sr. Rosa Ortiz
Mrs. Virginia Passeri
Mr. Steve Penley

Mrs. Sue Coleman
Mrs. Elena Barregarye
Mrs. Jenny Davis
Mr. Robert Dodd
Sr. Eileen Doherty



Miss Catherine Picone
Mr. Ray Perrone
Mrs. Nancy Sulik
Mrs. Sandra Quintero
Sr. Judith Marie Saenz

Mrs. Coleen Duzich
Ms. Susan Edwards
Mr. Reynaldo Garcia
Mrs. Angie Garcia
Mr. Daniel Goddard



Mrs. Adrian Shelton
Miss Nikki Sohn
Mrs. Holly Smith
Mr. Luke Woods

Miss Mary Esther Espinosa
Mrs. Kathleen Fowler
Mrs. Andrea Hasse
Mr. Herman Jackson
Mrs. Mary Ann Jackson



IWA STAFF

FACULTY



Librarian **Mrs. Mary Ann Jackson** (above left) smiles for the camera. **Mrs. Jackson** always kept the library in order. **Coach Mr. Robert Dodd** (at right) listens to one of his students explain the rules of basketball. **Coach Dodd** always listened to his students. **Mrs. Sue Coleman** (at left) does her part to keep the courtyard clean and neat. Everyone tried to keep IWA clean and neat. **Sr. Judith Marie Saenz** (below), Principal **Sr. Martha O' Gara** and **Mr. Luke Woods** relax at the Senior Pool Social. Faculty and staff often attended students events off campus.



Mr. Luke Woods (above left) shows his serious side as he plays the snare drum. **Mr. Woods** was known as the "teacher of all trades." **Joey Vela** (above) smiles as counselor **Mrs. Sue Coleman** receives the telephone results to **Joey Vela's** SAT scores. Actually, **Joey Vela** was horsing around **Mrs. Coleman's** office while she was on the telephone. **Mrs. Lynda Richter** (at left), office secretary, kicks up her heels on Halloween. **Mrs. Richter** dressed for the occasion in an orange and black plaid jumper. **Mrs. Kathleen Fowler** (below) teaches the choir the correct way to take a deep breath. **Mrs. Fowler** directed both the middle school and high school choirs.



HOMECOMING

A DOWNY EVENING

The Multi-Purpose Building turned into "A Walk in the Clouds," the theme for Homecoming on November 22, 1997. Many students and their dates arrived at the dance to relax and have a good time with friends and to celebrate Homecoming week. The festivities began on Monday, November 17, with the *new* tradition of the Burning of the "A." Following this event, the next day was



the game. Hundreds of people crowded into the gym including many *new* faces of incoming students. These same *new* faces were present at the dance and joined in the fun with their *new* fellow students. *New* faces were also selected to be in the annual Homecoming court. Overall, homecoming definitely *improved*.

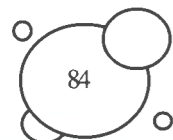
Junior Nikki Cumberland (at left) and friend snuggle during the Homecoming dance. The dance ended a week full of celebrating.



Before the dance, King and Queen are selected by the student body in homeroom and the results are held until the night of the dance. This year's winners were Dante Paiz and Sierra Gill.



Senior Adrian Romero gets comfortable at the Homecoming dance. Seniors celebrated their last official homecoming at IWA.



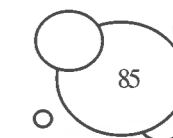
Members of the royal Homecoming court are as follows: seniors Andy Torres, Curtis Rock, Mikel Abreu and Homecoming King Dante Paiz. Also pictured are: seniors Melina Salazar, Candice Paiz. Homecoming Queen Sierra Gill and Ashley Allen.

ANGELS

Junior Crystal Cruz and her date smile for the camera as they dance. Many students brought dates to the dance who were not IWA students, letting them experience the rich traditions of IWA.



Homecoming is not only for upperclassmen. Sophomores Myra Sanchez, Amanda Farley, Thomas Emerson, Matt Payne, P.J. Gonzales, Laural Frank and guest Josh Diegel posed for a quick snapshot to remember the good things about high school life.



FAVORITES ALL DRESSED UP



Romance on the Bayou

Mardi Gras masks, colorful beads and jewel-toned balloons transformed the Dougherty Center in a spring night New Orleans for the 1998 Favorite's Dance. The theme for the dance was "Romance on the Bayou." The backdrop featured a hand-painted southern plantation and a river with an old-fashioned steamboat. IWA Angels put on their "finest duds" and danced the night away wearing string upon string of shiny beads around their

necks. Student Council sponsored the dance and provided the refreshments. Towards the end of the night, Student Council sponsor Mrs. Anne Keehan announced the Class Favorites by grade level and overall School-Wide Favorites. Students voted for Mr. and Miss School-Wide Favorite and for a Mr. and Miss School-Wide School Spirit. Winners were received to whoops and cheers by everyone at the dance, including many faculty members and parents.



Mr. and Miss
School Wide Spirit

**Senior Megan Byrne
&
Junior Albert Lucio**



Mr. and Miss
School Wide Favorite

**Senior Sierra Gill
&
Senior Dante Paiz**



Senior Class Favorites are: Most Likely To Succeed, **Michael Pammit**; Most Beautiful, **Melina Salazar**; Best All Around, **Alberto Garza**; Most Representative, **Jennifer Montgomery**; Most Handsome, **Dante Paiz**; Most Popular, **Giovana Berastain**.



Junior Class favorites are: **Barbara Schauer**, **Sam Tisdale**, **Mika Matthews**, **Matt Markl**, **Monica Benavides**, **Nathan Richardson** and **Leslie Escobedo**.



Sophomore Class Favorites are: **Justin Shirley**, **Juli Kim**, **Myra Castaneda**, **Allison Crain**, **Gabriella Lozev** and **Thomas Emerson**.



Freshman Class Favorites are: **Saran George**, **Marcy Vasquez**, **Audrey Martinez**, **Sky Paterno**, **Leighann Pollard**, **Crystal Romero** and **Megan Costello**.



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FAVORITES

PERMANENT MARKS

1998

Angel Favorites Poll Results

Favorite Movie
TITANIC

Favorite Teacher
Mr. Ray Perrone

**Favorite Person at
IWA**
Junior Dan Guerra

**Favorite Music
Group**
SUBLIME

**Favorite TV
Show**
Seinfeld

**Favorite Brand of
Jeans**
JNCO.

Favorite Hangout
A Friend's House

Favorite Car
Any TRUCK

Favorite Cereal
Frosted Flakes

ANGELS

Angel athletes are tough on fabrics.



Senior varsity soccer player Jessica Chodosh shows she can kick the grass stain out of anything. No bleach needed here.

Athletics at IWA soared this year with the Angel and Lady Angel teams in basketball, soccer and cross country advancing to regional and state playoffs. The Boy's Angel soccer team placed third at the state TAPPS tournament held on the campus of St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas. Five varsity Angels were selected to the All-State Team. The Lady Angels soccer team advanced to the regional tournament in Dallas, Texas. Both varsity basketball teams advanced to regional playoffs and kept the IWA gymnasium packed with fans. Cross Country also sped past the competition sending two teams of runners to the state race. Angel athletes are tough on their fabrics.



CROSS COUNTRY ON THE FAST CYCLE



Sophomore **Melynda Duncan** (above) passes her opponent while running a race on Ocean Drive. The girls ran their hardest at every meet. Junior **Lauren Gonzalez** (below) runs a little harder to pass her opponent. Lauren was one of eight runners to qualify for the state TAPPS Cross Country meet.



TRACK
TRACK



STATE
COMPETITORS!



Senior **Karina Guerra** (at left) struggles to pass one of her opponents at a meet. Her endurance and pride for IWA kept her fighting to the end.

ENDURANCE
ENDURANCE

If you were ever driving down Ocean Drive, chances are you noticed the girl's cross country team running down Hewitt drive. Every day after school, the team met and ran to Ocean Drive. Most girls joined the team to prepare for basketball season, but many joined for the love of the long distance sport. Hard work and hard practices led to "Fun Runs" on the weekend and an appearance at the TAPPS state cross country meet. Eight Angels represented the school in Waco, Texas, site for the meet. While some may think that all run and no play makes for a dull sport, team members are quick to say otherwise. Cross country running gets anyone in shape. Hours of hitting the pavement, piles of dirty socks, oodles of tattered laces and miles of unrun courses made for the girls long distance team at IWA. These athletes did not run to the pace of the regular spin cycle. These girls ran to the time of the *fast* cycle.

Junior **Judy Sheridan** (at right) runs at the state TAPPS meet in Waco, Texas. The girls ran many long hours along Ocean Drive to reach their goal of state competition.



CROSS COUNTRY GAINING SPEED

**STATE
WINNERS!**



Heat, pressure, stamina, determination...and sweaty socks: those words pretty much define the IWA boy's Cross Country track team. This group of finely tuned athletes represented IWA all over South Texas at races and meets, and also at TAPPS. Each day during the season, runners endured grueling practices consisting of a four to six mile run along Ocean Drive. The guys in red are a familiar sight to commuters driving along the bayfront. This type of conditioning was needed for physically demanding competitions. Senior Dante Paiz and junior Albert Lucio both placed in the top ten at the State TAPPS Race. The Cross Country runners give it their all. They personify the term Angel Pride. And they wash their running socks as often as needed.



**SPEED
GAINING
TEAM**

Senior Dante Paiz (above left) stretches before a race. Cross Country helped to condition athletes for year-round sports. Senior Alberto Garza (above right) paces himself as he runs down Ocean Drive. The Cross Country was the largest sports team at IWA. Junior Fernando Casals and sophomore Al Pena trudge along the bayfront. Teamwork on the part of the runners helped establish freindships. Cross Country runners Thomas Emerson, Alberto Garza and Brian Sheridan practice on Ocean Drive. Their dedication reflected the team's success.



Senior Dante Paiz (above) leads a pack of runners at the state TAPPS Cross Country meet in Waco, Texas. Paiz placed fifth overall at the meet. Senior Curtis Rock catches an opponent at the state meet. Eight runners qualified to compete at the state TAPPS Cross Country meet.



SOCCER STAYING ON HIGH HEAT



Girl's soccer proved to be the fiercest competitor this season in TAPPS. Leading the district the entire season, the second-year program showed that IWA was tough in every sport. Coach Davila battled the elements sometimes as the girl's season lasted through late winter, but the cold weather, hard rain and biting wind did not discourage the tough Lady Angels soccer team. Coach Devantier also contributed to the power plays of the team, keeping up the encouragement and maintaining a winning strategy throughout the season. Seniors Jessica Chodosh and Ashley Allen led the Lady Angels this year, and a pack full of underclassmen helped pave the way for next year. In the final game for the girls at the TAPPS Regional tournament, the team played in pouring rain with almost zero visibility. They kept their spirits dry as they played their best. The girls came away soaked, but that's nothing a quick tumble in the dryer could not fix. Or maybe they did not need it. These Angels kept the heat on high all season.



Junior **Nikki Cumberland** (above left) "pumps some iron" during the girl's soccer athletics class. The team trained intensively during the off season. Sophomore **Ann Rinaldi** (above right) defends the home goal during the game against Ursuline. The girls kept a strong defense all season long. The team huddles under umbrellas at the TAPPS Regional tournament. The girls played in heavy rains at the tournament. Sophomore **Babis Davila** (left) "warms up" before a game. The girl's maintained a strong position in the district race this year.

ANGELS

Members of the girl's soccer team are: Coach Davila, Candace Saldivar, Name Name, Ashley Allen, Name Name, Ann Rinaldi, Amanda Austin, Nikki Cumberland, Ronika Garcia, Name Name and Coach Devantier. Also pictured are: Jessica Chodosh, Name Name, Freshman girl, Aya Aoshima, Allison Crain, Name Name, Jackie Hallmark, Erin Irving, Babis Davila, Mika Matthews, Bailey Hutchison and Armie Pigot.

Coach Devantier (below) gives the girls a "pep" talk during the game against Ursuline. The girls played in pouring rain. Senior Sarah Hill (at right), with junior Jackie Hallmark behind her, gives the camera an excited "thumbs up." The girl's soccer team enjoyed themselves at the games, always smiling and "hamming it up" for the cameras.



SOCCER

KICKING THE STAIN OUT OF IT



The IWA Varsity Soccer team gather for a picture after their win of the third place state title in Austin, Texas. The game was played on the campus of St. Edward's University. The Boy's varsity soccer team members are (top row) Coach Garcia, junior Frankie Davila, junior Korey Hardeman, sophomore David Escobedo, junior Sam Tisdale, sophomore Kevin Cochrum, sophomore Jeremiah Narvaez, senior Mikel Abreu, junior Carlos Flores, junior Matt Markl, Coach Micah Murchie, and senior Mark Buck. Also: (bottom row) senior Trey Stearns, junior Adriel Goddard, junior Bryan Ellis, freshmen Masato Aoshima, Clifford Laich-Rock, sophomore P.J. Gonzales, sophomore Al Pena, sophomore Taylor Allen and assistant coach Mr. Goddard.

Junior Adriel Goddard (below) makes a swift attempt to recover the ball during a game. The Angel season began early this year. Coach Garcia (right) smiles for the camera as the Angels prepare to play in the state title game. The Angels defeated San Antonio Christian 4-3 to claim third place at the state soccer tournament.



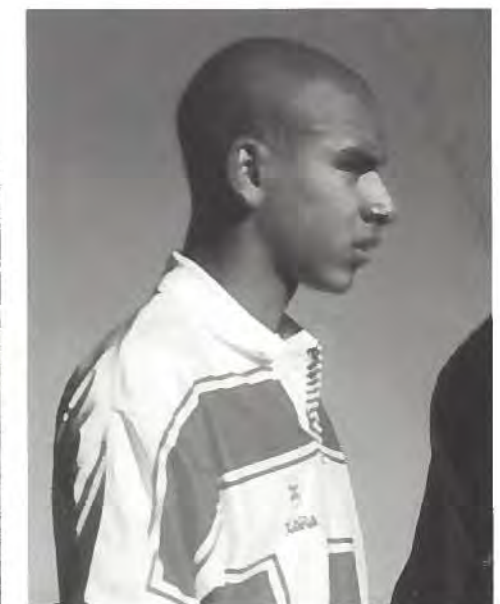
Junior Bryan Ellis leads the victorious Angel soccer team off the field after winning third place in the TAPPS state tournament. Many alumni, parents, friends and fans traveled to Austin to support the team. Senior Mikel Abreu rallies the crowd as senior Mark Buck holds up the third place trophy at the state TAPPS soccer tournament. The mighty Angels defeated San Antonio Christian 4-3.

Incarinate Word Soccer is always a driving force in TAPPS sports competition. This year, the Mighty Angels proved themselves once again capturing a third place title in the TAPPS Boy's Varsity Soccer Tournament held at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas. Throughout the season, the diverse team of freshman, sophomores, juniors and seniors conquered opponent after opponent, "kicking" the competition out of the way. Seniors Mark Buck and Mikel Abreu led the Angels this year, with junior standout Korey Hardemann backing each rush. All-Tournament honors were awarded to Abreu and Hardemann. After many falls, flips, slips and skids, Angels left the field dirtied and tired, but winners. Unfortunately, senior Trey Stearns sat most of the winning season out due to an injury. At least he did not get grass stains on his kneepads and socks.

ANGELS



Junior Sam Tisdale goes down trying to recover a steal. The varsity soccer program consisted of a talented mix of upperclassmen and underclassmen.



Sophomore Jeremiah Narvaez watches game intensely trying to decipher the opposing team's strategy. Victory often depended on a strong defense.

CHEERLEADING

SHOUT IT OUT!

The student body had plenty to shout about with a new and improved cheerleading squad. The '97-'98 cheerleading team included members elected at IWA the previous year and new members from the former Corpus Christi Academy. The end result proved positive: more cheerleaders, more cheers, more stunts, more pyramids and more spirit! The cheerleaders performed at every IWA home game. They also planned every pep rally and organized homecoming week and the dance. The cheerleaders also started a new tradition at IWA: the "Burning of the A." It was cold and drizzly the night of the event, but the Angels, led by the cheerleaders braving the elements, huddle around a huge 'A' with a halo dangling over the top. After cheers and chants, the student body watched as the 'A' burned bright into the dark night sky: a *new, improved* and victorious symbol of Incarnate Word Academy.



Junior Crystal Cruz and seniors Candice Paiz, Missy Dubuque and Christina Moon enjoy the Fiesta de Familia. The cheerleaders often danced at school functions.



The 'A' burns at the first night pep rally. A new tradition. The Burning of the 'A.' began due to hard work and planning by the cheerleaders and their parents.



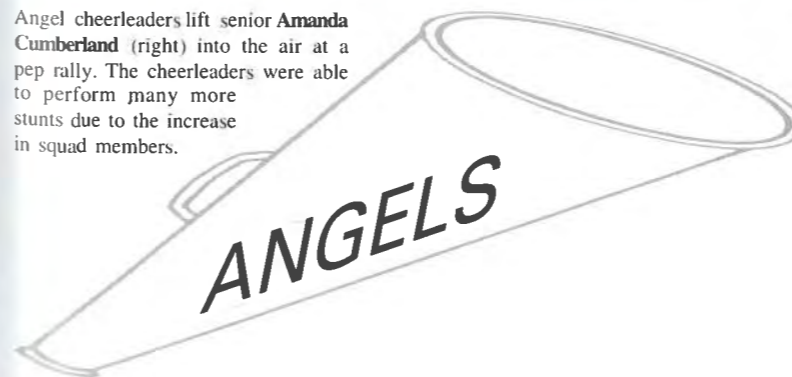
The 1997-'98 cheerleaders pose for a quick shot at a basketball game. The cheerleaders performed at all IWA home games. Pictured above are: (top row) sophomore Kelly Laudadio, senior Co-Captain Valerie Reyes, junior Susan Wardle, senior Christina Moon, senior Missy Dubuque, sophomore Myra Castaneda, junior Crystal Cruz, and senior Megan Byrne. Also: (bottom row) junior Guy Snyder, senior Amanda Cumberland, junior Kaliste Koclanes, senior Captain Candice Paiz and junior mascot Albert Lucio.

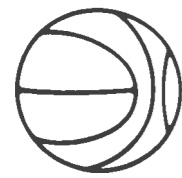


Angel cheerleaders lift senior Amanda Cumberland (right) into the air at a pep rally. The cheerleaders were able to perform many more stunts due to the increase in squad members.



Junior Crystal Cruz (left) is hoisted by the cheerleaders at the Fiesta de Familia. The cheerleaders helped to promote school spirit and encouraged the student body to support the sports teams.





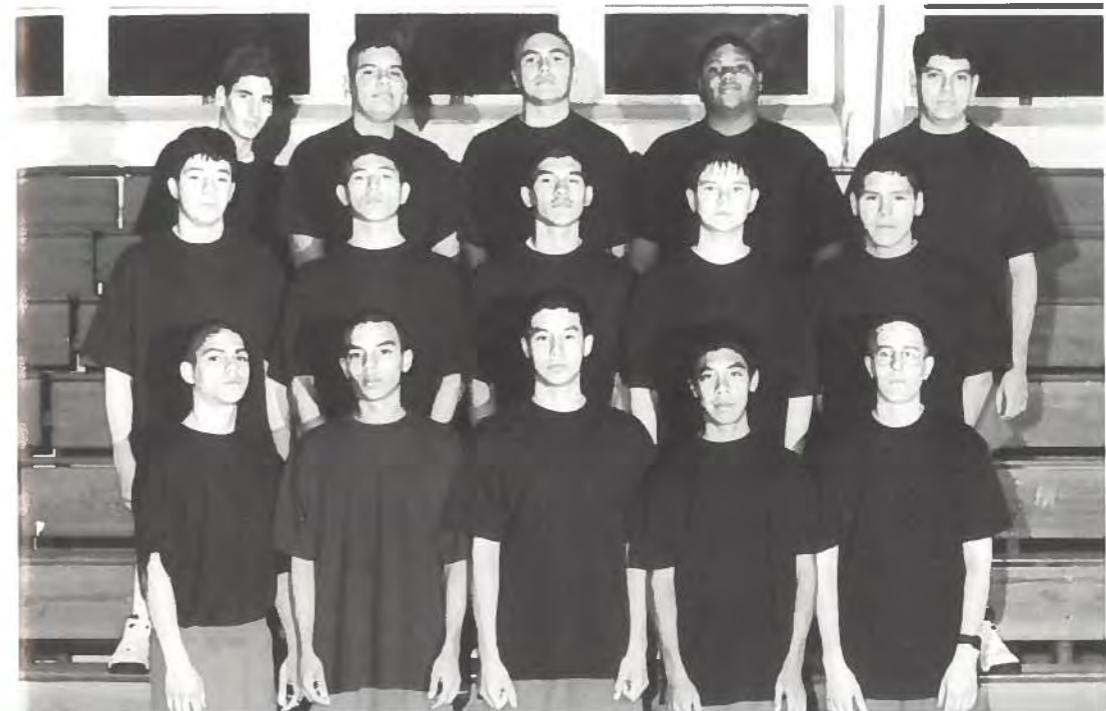
JV BASKETBALL



The JV Lady Angels are (Top Row) Brenda Lozano, Amanda Lerma, Adrianna Contreas, Priscilla Garcia, and Natalie Cantu. (Bottom Row) Amanda Farley, Aya Aoshima, Barbara Shauer, Melynda Duncan, and Audrey Martinez.



Freshmen are (L-R) Sergio Garza, Fernando Casals, Kevin Cochrum, Brian Sheridan, Carlos Everett, Tim Castillo, (second row) Justin Mendieta, David Kubicek, Jeremy Long, Thomas Emerson, Juan Landivar, Andrew Farias, (bottom row) Justin Arsenian, Al Salinas, David Ayala, Bryan Alvarez, Al Pena, Rene Rodriguez, Gerardo Caballero, Jesse Anzaldua and Dorian Cordero.



Freshmen are (Top row L-R) Sky Paterno, Chris Medina, Marty Villegas, Roland Woodson, Carlos Garcia, (second row) Gabriel Guajardo, Marcellio Gonzalez, Ben Enriquez, Tim Villareal, Paul Juarez, (bottom row) Gabriel Turria, Cody Martinez, Daniel Hinojosa, Masato Ayoshima, Robert Boostrom.



The JV Lady Angels are (top row) Adriana Mendez, Marissa Zavala, Jaime Galligan and Kendra McGuine, (bottom row) Amanda Leveck, Audrey Martinez, Marcie Vasquez, Erin Flinn, and Daelynne Matula.

FRESHMEN BASKETBALL



Captain Candice

Co-Captain Valerie

Susan

Kelly

Missy

Christina

Crystal



Kallieste

Albert L. Amanda

Albert J.

Megan Guy

Myra

MARCEL??*Gremlin!*Homeslice for President!*SUSAN'S
 MUDBATH*PELVIS PAIZ*Stop it, ALBERTS!*Next Time
 Out?*Meelissa!*Group Talk--SENIORS ONLY!*Slow Down,
 KELLY! BROOKIE! Hey, Ho!*Whatever!*Men In Black*Pep
 Rallies????*
Tumble Out!

IWA
 CHEER
 IS
 #1!



SENIOR '98



CONGRATULATIONS HOLLY!!!

*Your determination to succeed will help
 you capture your dreams for the future.*



We love you!
 Mom, Dad,
 and Mindy





**CONGRATULATIONS
ASHLEY!!!**

SENIOR
IWA Class of 1998



**UT
Class
of
2002**

*Love, Mom & Dad
Christy & Taylor*



John Medina

1998 GRADUATE

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, making your requests known to God then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Jesus Christ."

Phillipians 4:6-7

*Life is a wonderful thing, and sweet...
If we let it swirl around our feet...
And know that we are a living part...
Of all the world's pulsating heart.*

To make life's meaning firm and clear...

*There are rules to follow here...
Simple rules, as most rules go...
Given two thousand years ago:*

Deny no man what he wants to believe...

Respect his thoughts, and don't deceive...

*Take him by the hand and lead...
And help him in his hour of need...*

*For all are equal in fear and pain...
We all shall die-and rise again...*

*And no man is greater than another...
In the eyes of God-each is our brother.*

John, ALWAYS remember and NEVER forget that you are unconditionally loved.

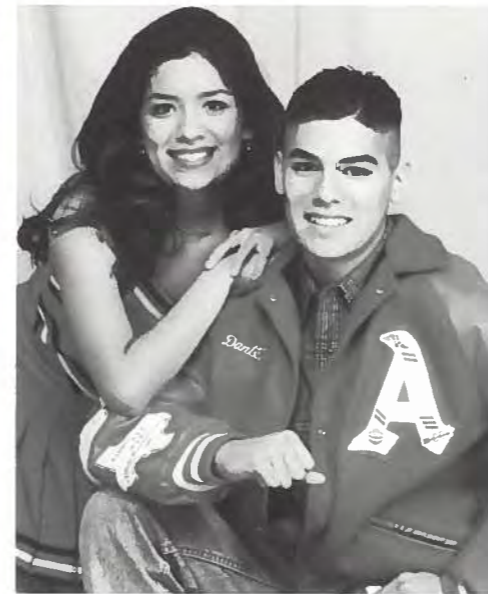
**We are so proud of you, son!
May God Bless You everyday of your life.**

You're ready..so get set...GO!

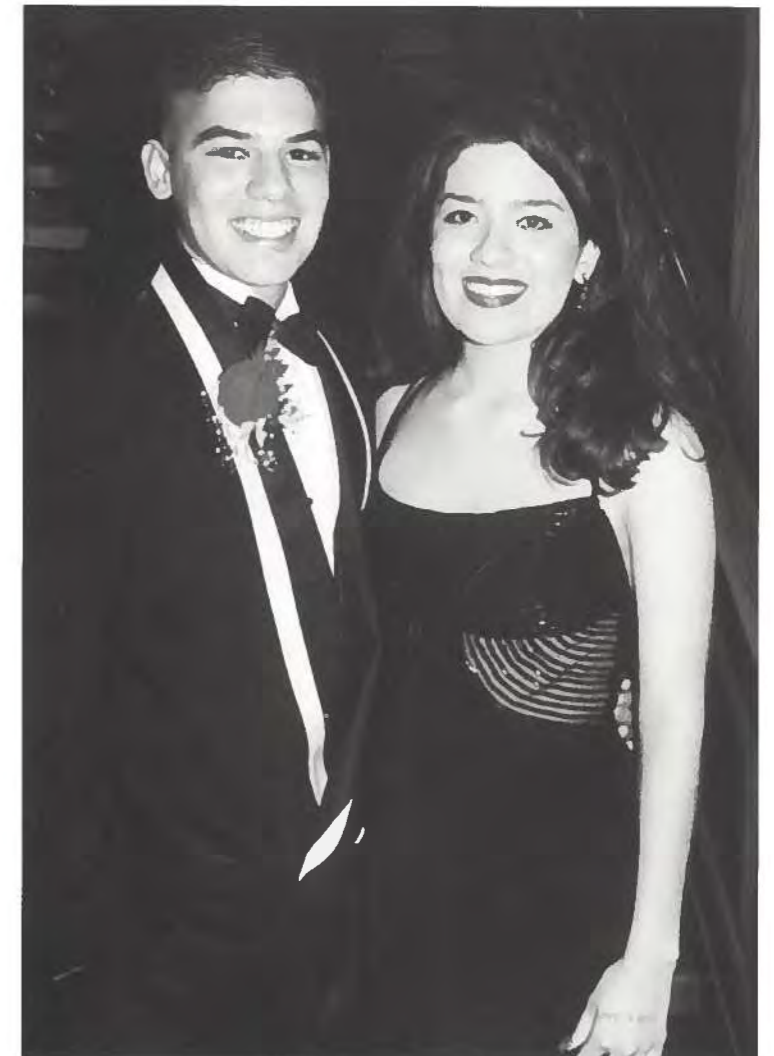




**Candice Paiz
and
Dante Paiz
Incarnate Word
Angel Seniors
Class of 1998**



**It's been one of
our lives' greatest
joys to watch you
grow and find
your own ways.
We will no longer
hold your hand,
but we will always
hold the both of
you in our hearts.
You have made us
proud!
Congratulations!
Mom & Dad**





CONGRATULATIONS SUNSHINE!

*We love you!
Mom, Dad, Shannon,
Cooleen, and Gigi*

**Megan Byrne
Senior
1998**



"How cute!"-parties-
Moody's- "Fifer"-
4teen cows-Wag-
"get togethers"- "5 guys?"-
old people-Bla-Bla-Bla(Ash)-
AADP-
"Can I have a quarter?"

1928

TWO AADP

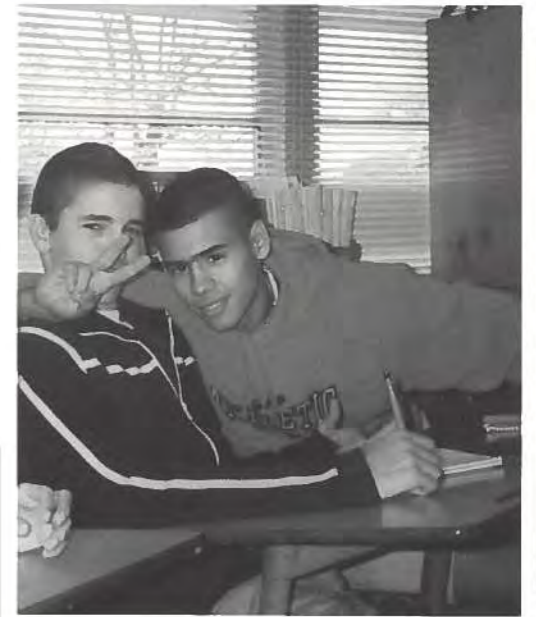
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1999

coffee shops-London,
England-80's Retro-
"French Toast"- "Are you
Carlos or are you
estrogen?"-loser guy-
candles- "side of house"-
Snoopy's- "strolling the
yard"



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New and Improved

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