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CURRENT EVENTS

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President Bill Clinton defeats Republican challenger Bob Dole and Independent Ross Perot and becomes the first Democrat since Franklin D. Roosevelt to be reelected to a second term.



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Stephane Cardinale, Sygma

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Long considered one of the world's most eligible bachelors, John F. Kennedy, Jr. marries Carolyn Bessette in a small, private ceremony on an island off the coast of Georgia.



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A pipe bomb explodes after the first day of competition at the Centennial Summer Olympics in Atlanta. One person is killed and more than 100 are injured.

Agence France Presse

AP/Wide World

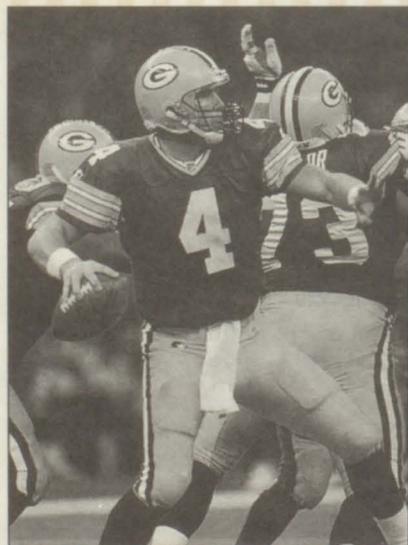


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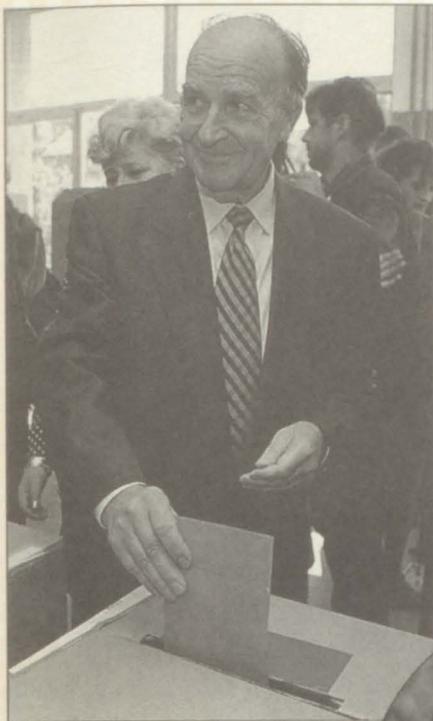
On July 17, TWA Flight 800 explodes 13,700 feet above the Atlantic Ocean, killing all 230 passengers and crew members. The cause of the explosion remains a mystery.

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The Green Bay Packers, led by quarterback Brett Favre, beat the New England Patriots 35-21 in Super Bowl XXXI. It is the Packers' first Super Bowl since 1968.



AP/Wide World



AP/Wide World

No Doubt, fronted by lead singer Gwen Stefani, releases *Tragic Kingdom*, which includes such chart-toppers as "Just a Girl," "Spiderwebs," and "Don't Speak."



Steve Jennings, LHM

Reuters/Archive Photos



A truck-bomb explosion blamed on anti-American terrorists kills 19 American service people at a U.S. military compound in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. A special memorial service is held in Khobar, Saudi Arabia.

Alja Izetbegovic, leader of Bosnia's Muslim Party of Democratic Action, is elected chairman of the country's new three-person presidency in the first post-war election held in Bosnia.

Breaking American space endurance records, astronaut Shannon Lucid (right) spends 188 days in space.

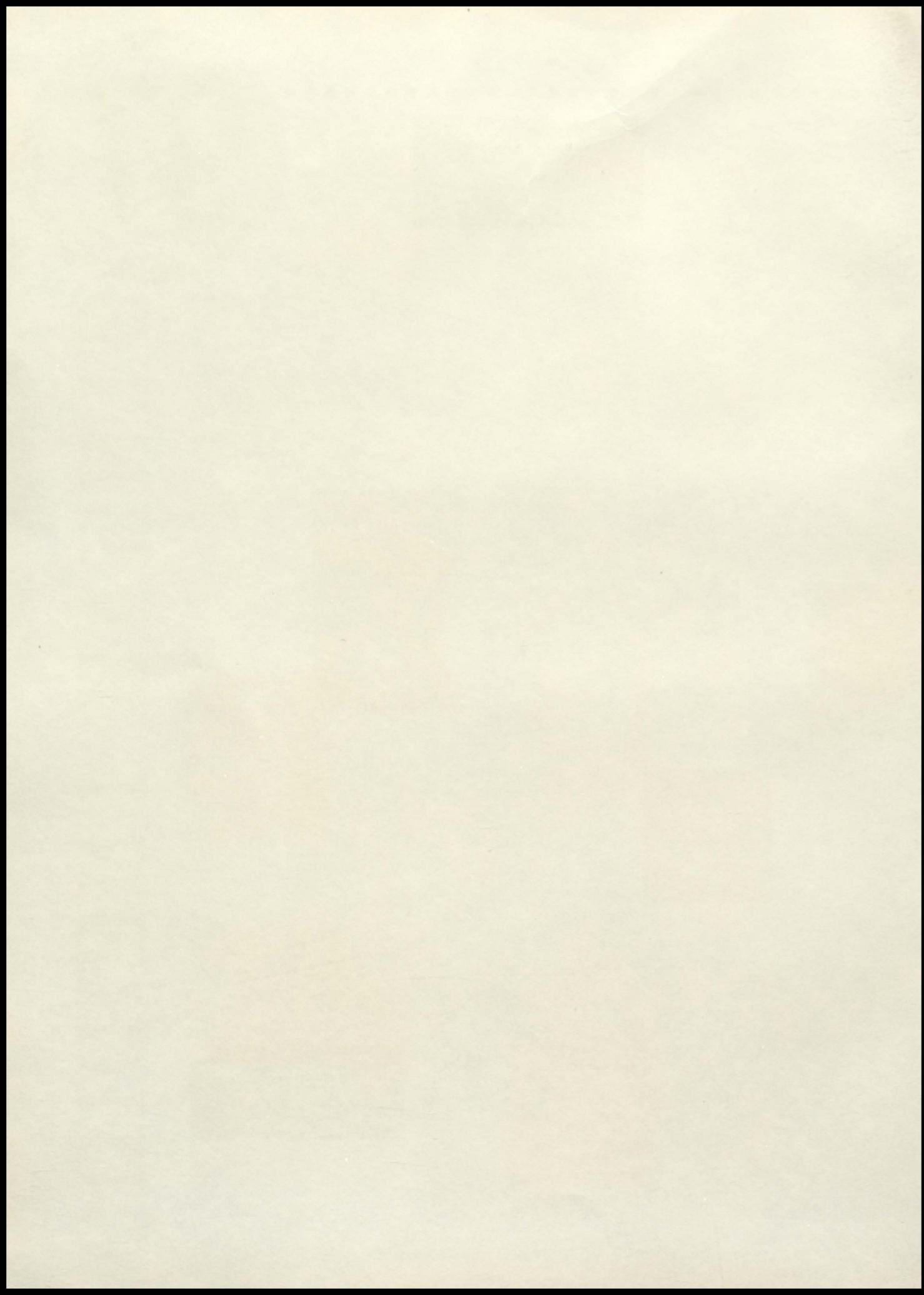


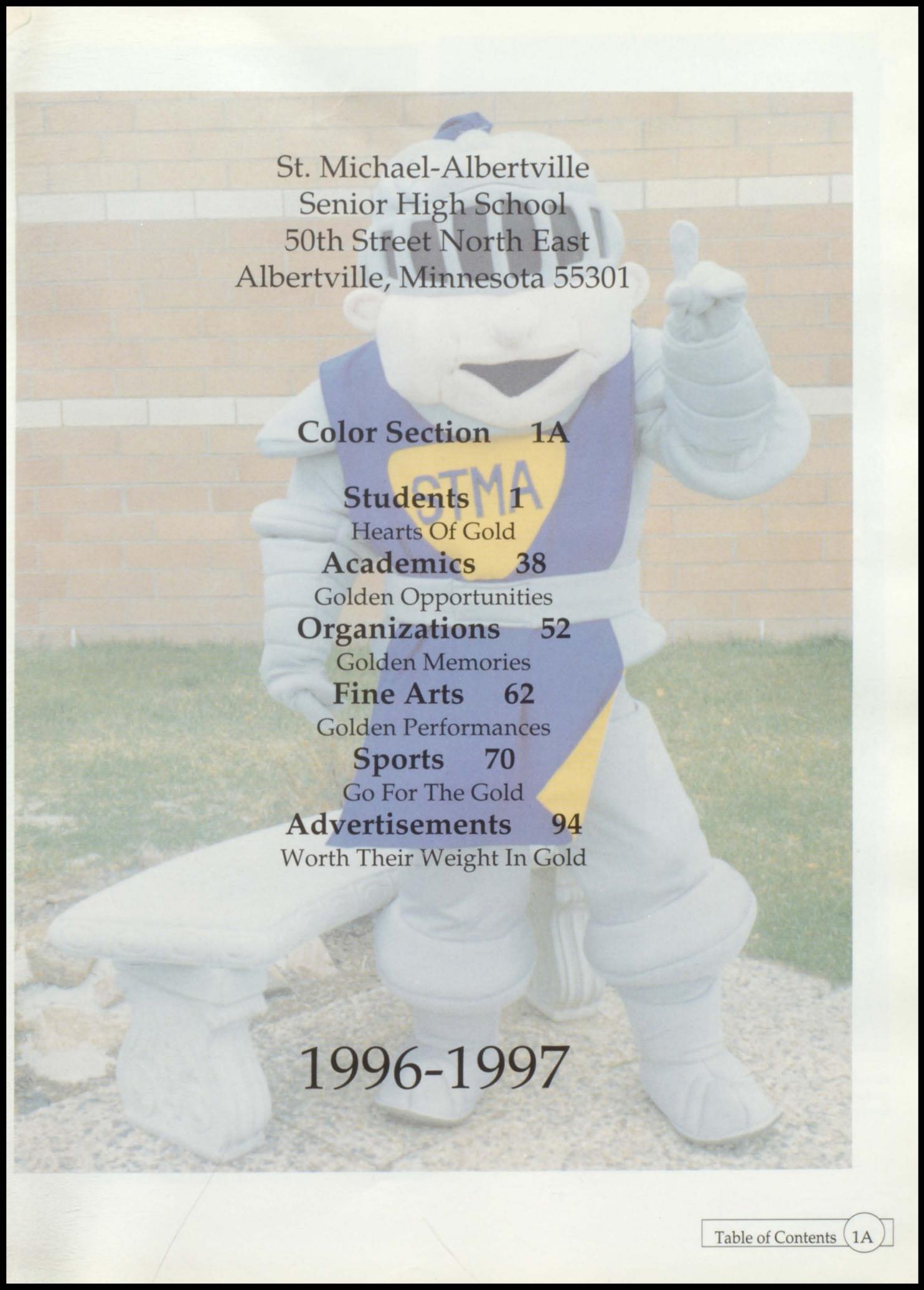
NASA



20th Century Fox from Shooting Star

Independence Day, in which technologically superior aliens attempt to overtake Earth, is one of summer's blockbuster movies.





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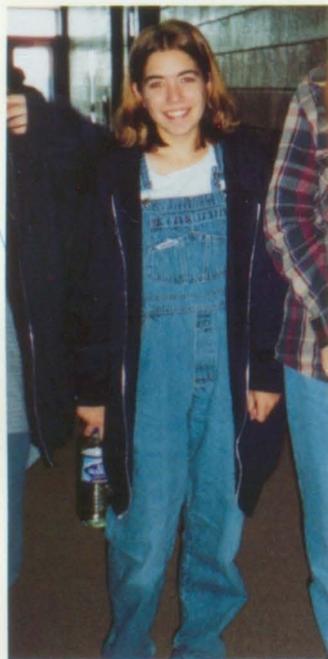
1996-1997

Trends

RIGHT: SHOES! We wear every style imaginable.

BELOW: Being the youngest in the school, Freshmen like Janell Eurkkila like to wear bright colors in order to get noticed.

BELOW: Freshman Trisha Holm keeps her hair back with the popular mini claws.

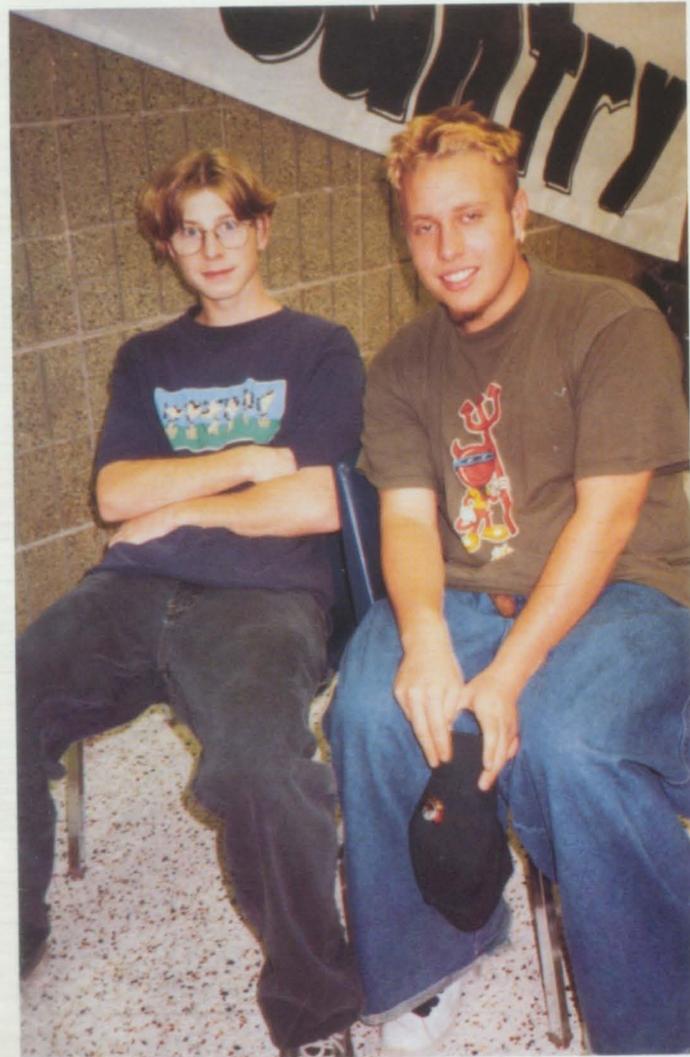


ABOVE: Overalls and big hooded sweatshirts are a popular style worn by many like Junior Lisa Lenneman shows.



ABOVE: This group of sophomore friends are up with the times. (L to R:) Anna Braun, Jolynn Barthel, Christa Woods Brooke Jakubiec, Pam Hackenmueller, and Dion Vetsch.

BELOW: Seniors Chad Vossen and Tony Lefebvre like to dress alike, but in different colors of course.



Why Do You Wear What You Do?

"Because it's who we are, what we do and what we stand for. We stand for ourselves."
-Jeremy Duchscher

"I like to dress the way I do because it's comfortable and brings out the way I am. My clothes are just like me- laid back and comfortable!"
-Kari Lundeen

"I really don't know why I dress the way I do. People still think I am a shy little girl, but I've changed so much. I've changed over the years."
-Janell Erkkila



LEFT: Junior Jeremy Duchscher and Sophomore Dan Sicchitano's fashion style is big and baggy.

ABOVE: Looking comfortable as always are Seniors Deanna Becker, Jessica Olson, and Melissa Wozney.

Going Out In Style



Class of Ninety-Seven

ALBERTVILLE
SCHOOL

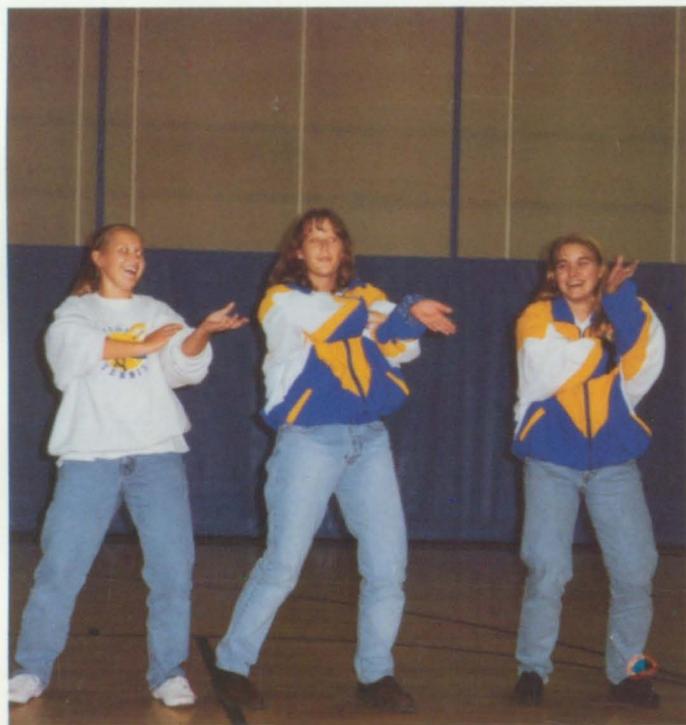


Homecoming '96

Golden Moments

RIGHT: Some excited members of the marching band took time out from their halftime show at the football game to smile for the camera.

BELOW: The cheerleaders decorated their homecoming float with an autumn theme, and hit the streets to pep up the Knight's fans.



ABOVE: Senior volleyball team members Erin Anonen, Steph Litzau and Jodi Haller laugh while demonstrating how the "Macarena" is done.

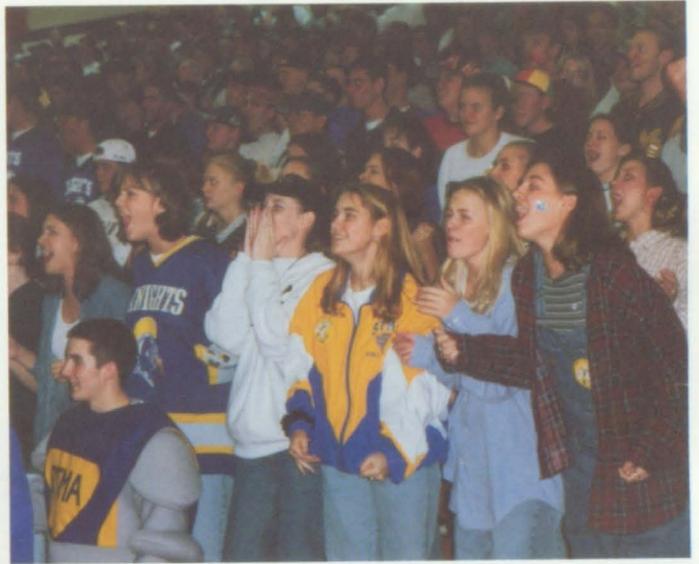
RIGHT: This new staff member is all wrapped up in toilet paper while Mrs. Johnson races to empty the roll during a Battle of the Classes event.



BELOW: Junior Brooke Bechtold just can't hide from the camera while she eats her donut on camouflauge day.



BELOW: Even though they are the smallest class in the school, the seniors prove they have the most spirit at the Battle of the Classes.



ABOVE: Suck n' Blow caused quite a few accidental kisses between Juniors Keith Eull and Dawn Yanta during Battle of the Classes.



School Spirit at its Best!

That alone is what Homecoming Week means to most students at STMA.

To start off the week's fun, Erin Anonen and Derek Langley were crowned Queen and King at Coronation.

During SNAP, students had a chance to snack on donuts and enjoy some social time together.

A new addition to Homecoming Week was a "Trivia Bowl" between the classes. Students cheered on their fellow classmates to earn extra points for Battle of the Classes.

On Friday, a pep fest and the annual Battle of the Classes riled students up for the parade and football game.

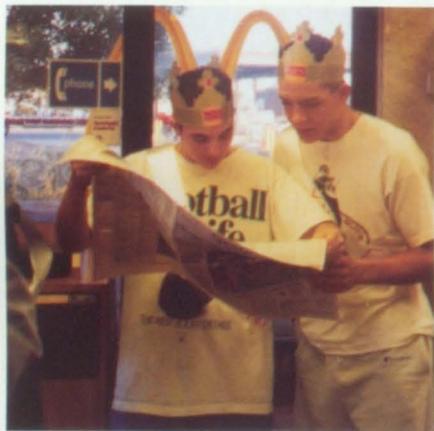
When it was time for the week's festivities to come to an end, fans warmed up after the football game during the annual dance.

Although the various sports teams may not have all had victories throughout the week, Knight's spirit took the victory over all.

Coronation '96

RIGHT: Homecoming Royalty
(L to R): Amiee Renstrom, Melita Braun,
Jaime Kvamme, Stephanie Litzau, Erin
Anonen, Derek Langley, Mike
Cunningham, Ben Husom, Shane
Long, and John McCoy.

Junior Royalty: Tesa Long and Ryan
McCoy.

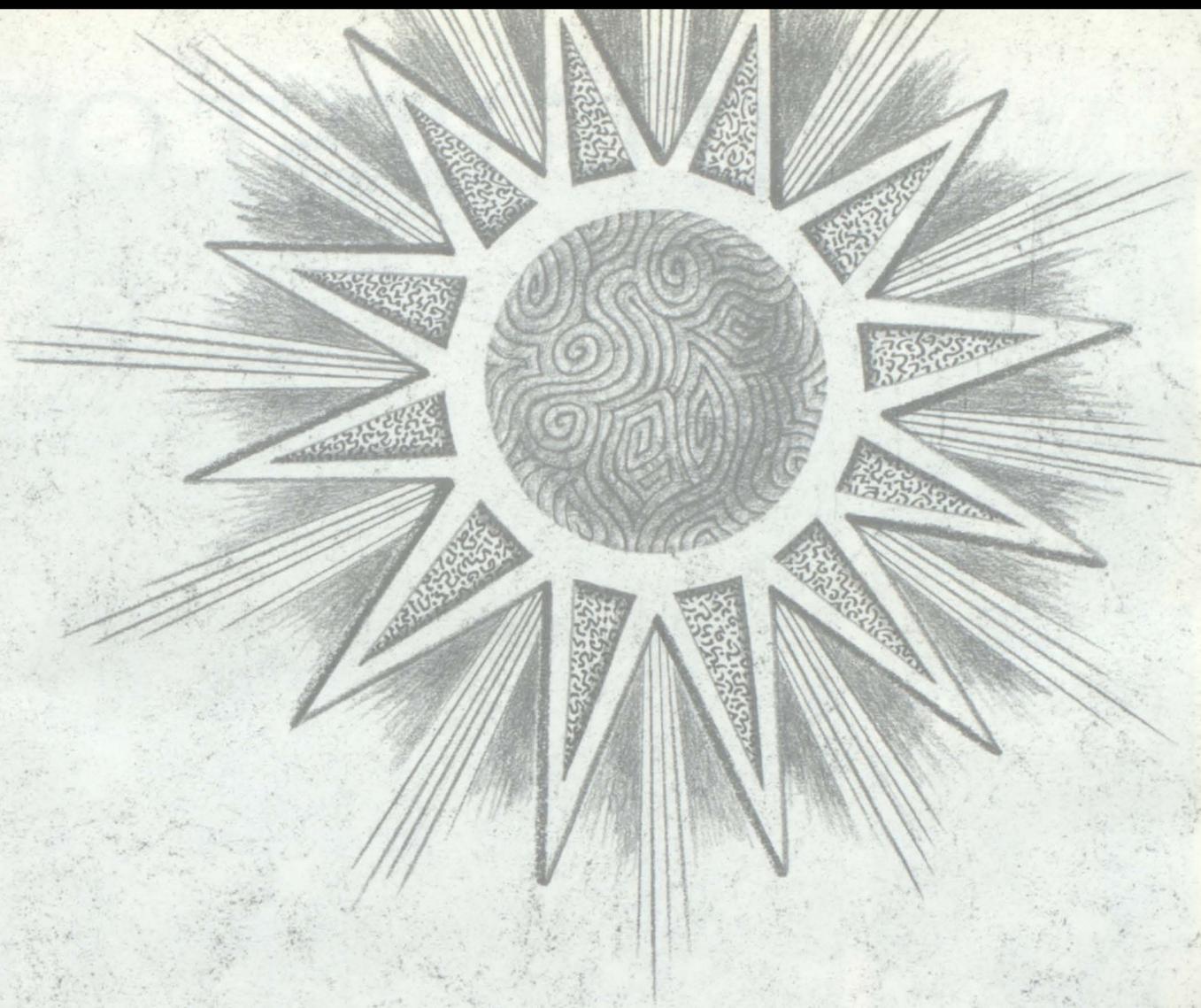


ABOVE: Since candidates Derek
Langley and Ben Huson were
awakened so early, they had to
catch up on their sports while at
McDonalds.

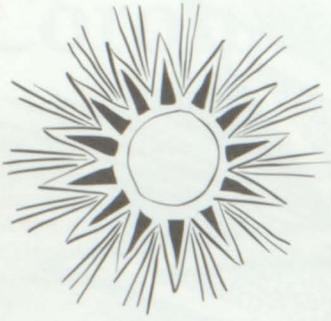
RIGHT: Queen Erin
Anonen and King Derek
Langley.

The candidates for this year's coronation were not just simply announced over the intercom as in past years. Instead, they each recieved a personal wake-up call as students taped their first moments of the day. Then the candidates were allowed only to brush their teeth and throw on a sweatshirt before they were whisked out the door to McDonalds. Later that week, the student body watched these videos before the king and queen were announced. The crowning moment was as exciting as the candidates wake-up call!





Student Life



THE BEST OF THE GOLD



The senior football players were not afraid to show their golden spirit on Halloween as they dress up as the women's volleyball team. Amidst the decisions of classes, colleges and careers, seniors are still able to make the best of their last year at STMA. As the years passed by, each senior has left their own special mark on the school.

Seniors



Camille Albert



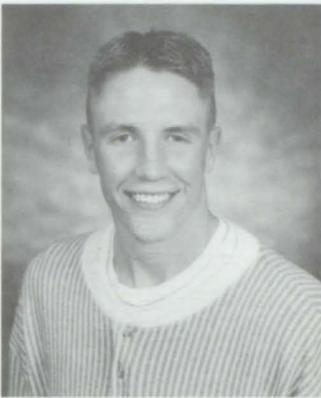
Nicole Anderson



Erin Anonen



Elena Bagrova



Justin Balfany



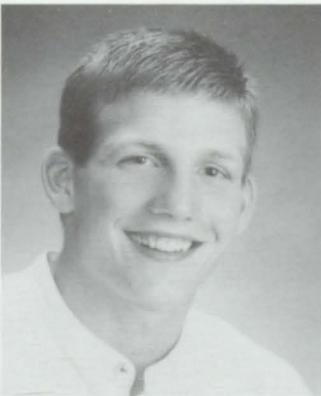
Candice Barthel



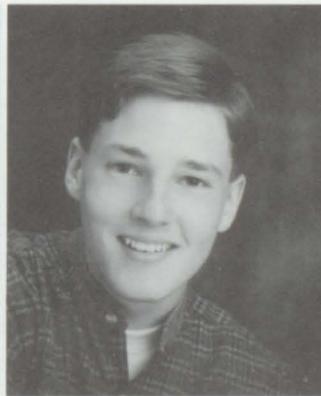
Janice Barthel



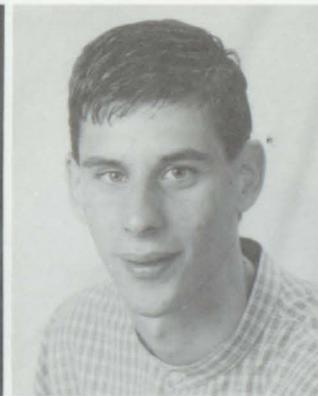
Kari Barthel



Michael Barthel



Ryan Barthel



David Beck



Deanna Becker

“ QUOTE

What is your scariest driving experience?

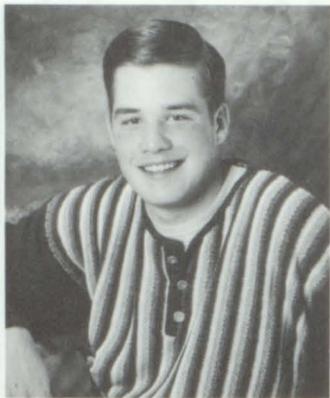
Trying to get out of the parking lot after school.
-Kari Barthel

Going over the railroad tracks in Elk River
going at least 30-40 mph. -Kelly Eull

UNQUOTE ”



Rachel Becker



Thomas Berning



Tesa Bible



Jesse Blanchet



Teresa Bobo



Gerald Bourelle



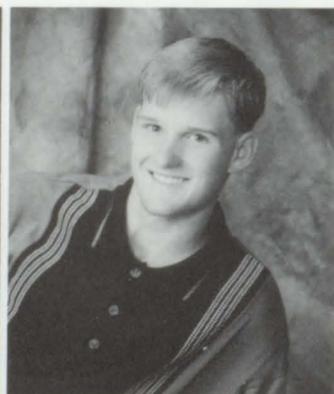
Melita Braun



Brent Carron



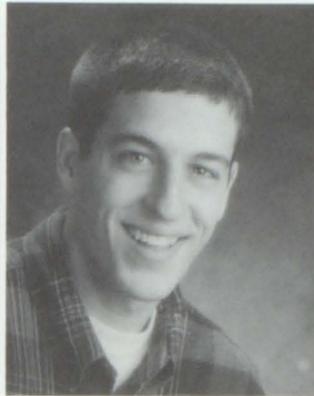
Jessica Clover



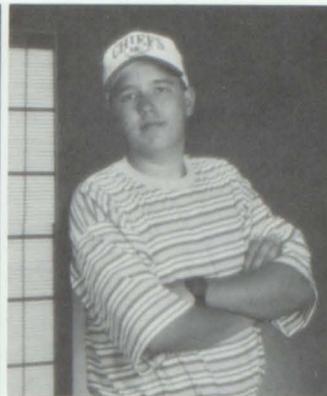
Aaron Cook



Jessica Corbin



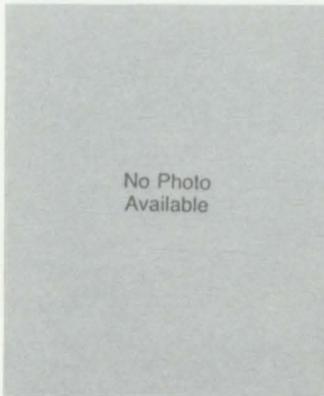
Mike Cunningham



Westley David



Brian Dawson



Peter Dehmer



Billie Jean Edeburn



Kelly Eull



Angela Gniot



Miranda Goth



Amy Hackenmuller



Jason Hackenmuller



Jodi Haller

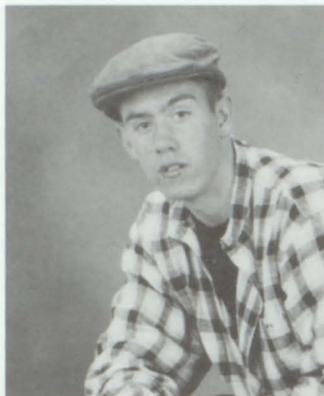
“ QUOTE

What is your most embarrassing moment?

Skiing into the chalet at Powder Ridge.
-Jessica Olson

When I tripped and fell in front of the whole
student body. -John McCoy

UNQUOTE ”



Michael Hauge



Traci Hennem



Andrea Hesse



Benjamin Husom



Edward Illies



Angela Jensen



Nicole Jensen



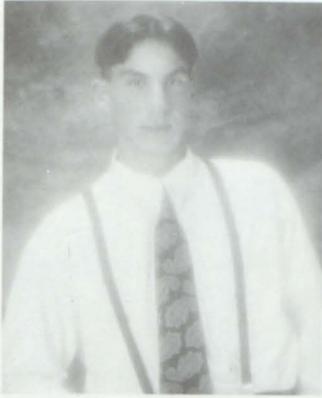
Katie Kalupa



David Keizer



Leslie Kelley



Christopher Kenyon



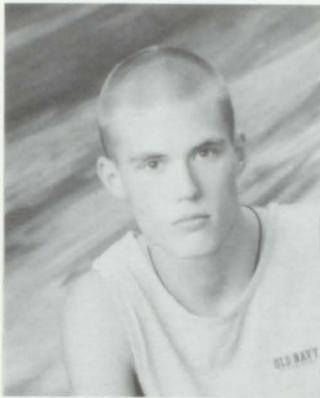
Meagan Kittridge



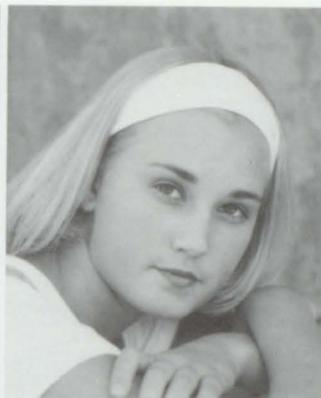
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Jennie Koshenina



Dale Kowalczyk



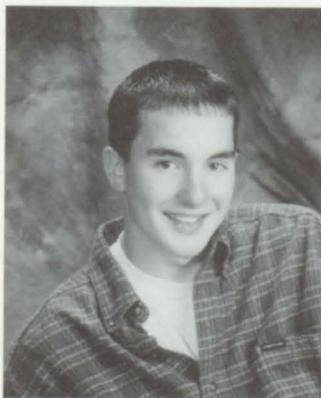
Jaime Kvamme



Miranda LaFrance



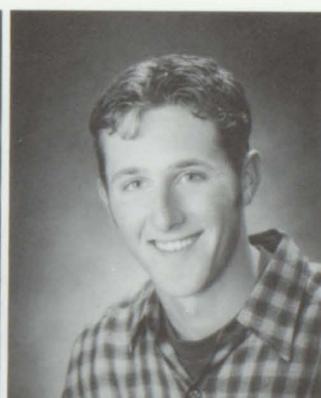
Michelle Langford



Derek Langley



Anna Lebsock



Anthony Lefebvre



Donna Lindenfesler

“ QUOTE

What advice would you give to underclassmen?

Use your voice, say what you believe! -Naomi Marx

Learn to kiss senior butt. -Deanna Becker

UNQUOTE ”



Rosemarie Lindsay



Stephanie Litzau



Angela Loeffler



Shane Long



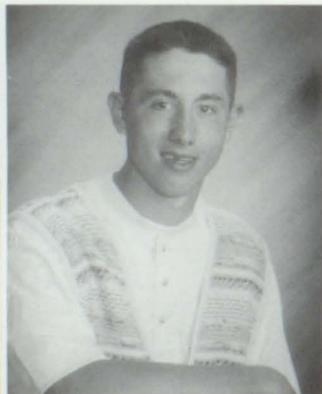
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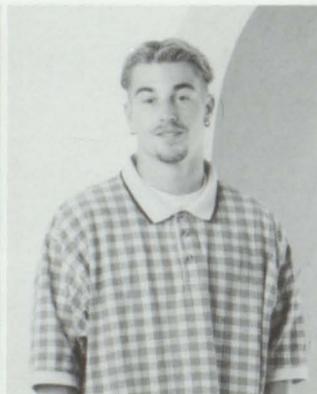
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Grant Marquette



Aaron Martin



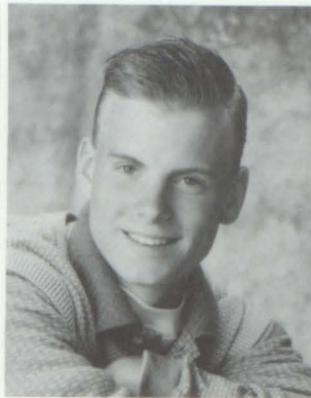
Cody Martin



Naomi Marx



Nicole Mattson



John McCoy



Tara McLaughlin



Jon Murphy



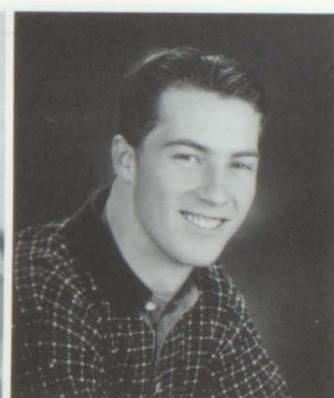
Laura Neumann



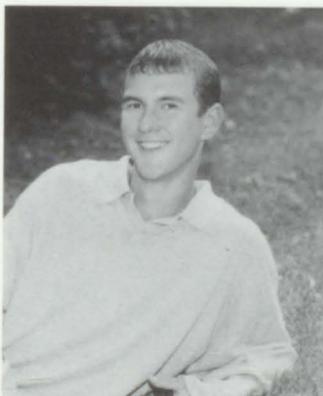
Jessica Olson



Heather Partridge



Dwain Pearson



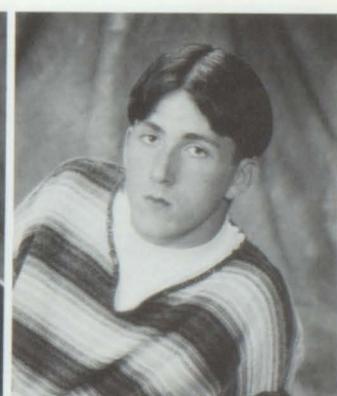
Jared Peterson



Anna Plonske



Carrie Polaschek



Derek Pouliot

QUOTE

What is the best excuse you've given for being late?

The bus pass. -David Beck

I got lost and had to ask for directions. -Justin Balfany

UNQUOTE



Richard Renken



Aimee Renstrom



Lisa Rutten



Teresa Sampson



Nathan Sandvik



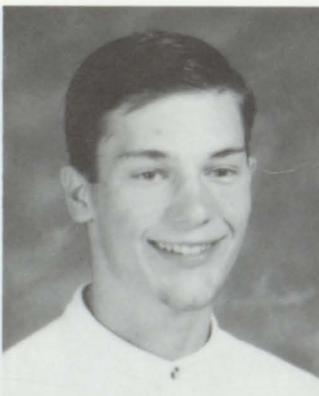
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David Schmidt



Jason Seifert



Brian Smith



Angela Stream

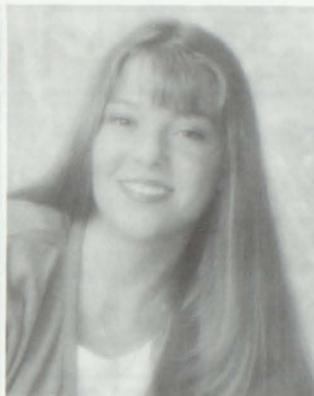
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Kimberly Suckow



Matthew Thell



Elizabeth Thompson



Jeremy Trebesch



Amber Vetsch



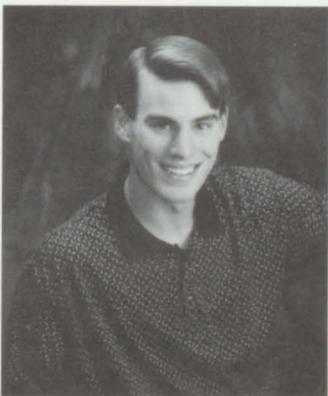
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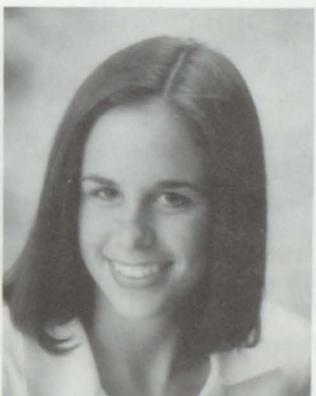
Irina Volkova



Jared VonBank



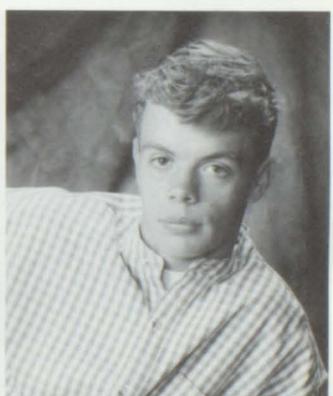
Chad Vossen



Jennifer Williams



Crissy Windsperger



Derek Wood

QUOTE

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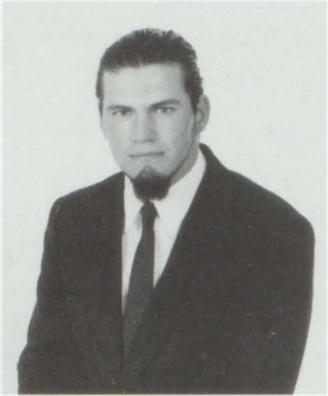
Doing a 360 angle in front of the school with my truck. -David Schmidt

When the seniors lost Battle of the Minds.
-Ryan Barthel

UNQUOTE



Melissa Wozney



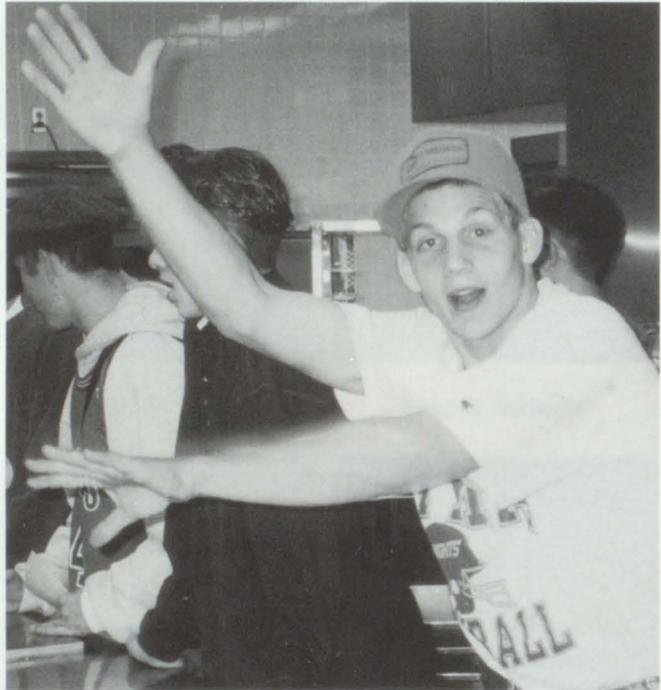
Neil Zachman



Above: Angie Stream, Dwain Pearson, Mike Cunningham, and Jessica Clover stop for a picture while roaming the halls.



Above: In study hall, Angie Gnoit, Laura Neumann, and Jessica Corbin can't help but, "say cheese!"



Above: Mike Barthel hams it up for the camera while selling donuts for NHS.

REMEMBER WHEN.....

Kelly E. showered with her dog • It was cool to walk around the junior high track during football games • Chad V. parted his hair the "other" way • Grant M. wasn't complaining • There was an odd smell in physics • Anna P. or Tara M. came to school • Rachel B. and Chris K. weren't touching • Heather P. didn't have the latest gossip • The pigs and dogs came to Cookie's party • Jon M. wasn't threatening to kill someone • The granny driving the Vo-Tech bus told everybody to "just shut up!" • Mr. Minkler read his "pop can" poem • The girls had to watch "the movie" in junior high • The "Love Shak" • Peter D. was a hick • Derek W. and Aaron C. slept together at Anna P.'s house • Jason H. wasn't instigating someone bigger than him • Anna P. went the wrong way against 8 lanes of traffic in downtown Minneapolis • Melissa W. ran over someone in the parking lot • Angela L. and Laura N. tripped over each other and landed flat on their faces in band • Jessica O. had to ask junior girls for toilet paper in the bathroom • Scotch taping Carrie P.'s car doors shut • Mr. Ketel promised the physics class macadameia nut cookies • Someone didn't need to borrow a lunch ticket • Helping Wes D. wash his truck • We played the Red Rover game • Miranda G. fell out of Cammy A.'s truck • Pointing the arrows on a milk carton meant you liked someone • We had "opposite days" • What really went on at Jug's house • Derek L. passed the "test" • We danced 3 feet apart at jr. high dances • Heather P. fell in the river down at the sandbar • We hung out at Total looking for a party • Mrs. Holvik always knew you had gum • Jessica O. skied into the chalet at Powder Ridge • Angie J., Katie K., or Nikki J. weren't wearing a backpack • Candi B. couldn't beat up all the senior guys • Aimee R. shouted obscenities at the paper boy in the middle of the night because she thought it was Jaime K. • Grant M. couldn't get 3 meals out of one lunch ticket • Derek P. went out with Nikki J. • Michelle L. had her natural hair color • The "belt buckle" • Apple River on the 4th of July • Maria V. liked Chad V. • We called Jon M. "Smurfy" • Who wrote Cody M. and Mike C. love letters beginning of their junior year • Singing in the REO speedwagon • NOVA • Old Country Buffet • A dog was let into the school • Billie E.'s favorite chair in the computer lab • Singing "Boys will be Boys" at Karaoke • Matt S. wasn't brushing his teeth at his locker • We threw spitballs at Mr. Preusse and he didn't notice • Mr. Schumacher forgot to put something on at the health club • Jesse B. liked girls • We had birthday parties at the roller rink • Playing "bus" on the swings • Osseo girls came to our school and we thought of them as "city girls" • We had a Snow Day • We were so proud of how our class pulled together and decorated the halls for X-mas?

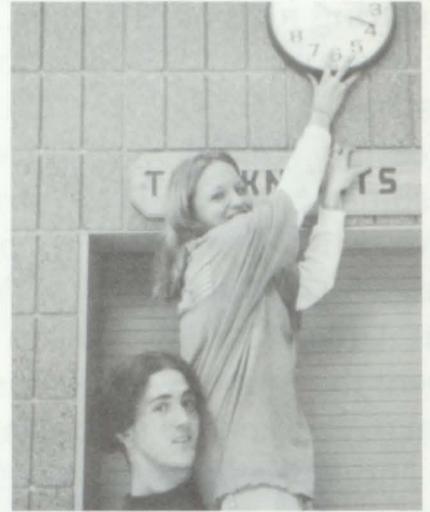
Introducing... The Hall of



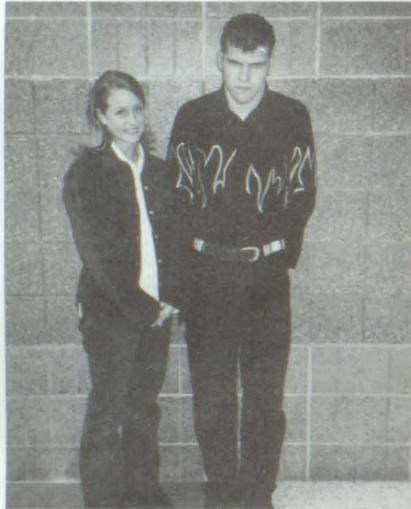
Most Likely To Succeed
 TONY LEFEBVRE & ANNA LEBSOCK



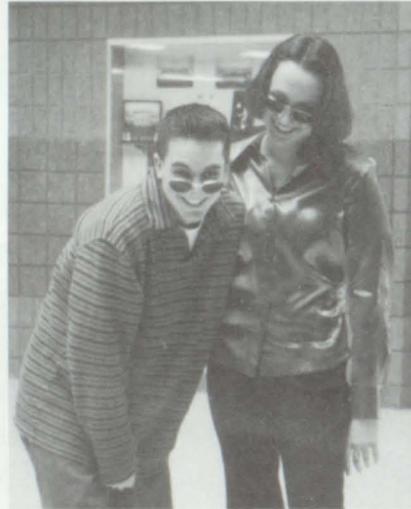
Biggest Flirts
 CANDICE BARTHEL & JOHN MCCOY



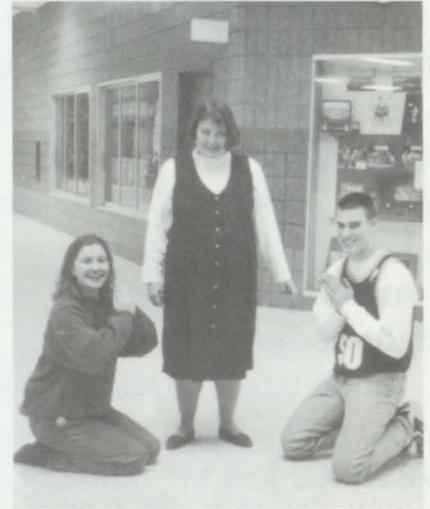
Class Rebels
 DEREK POULIOT & TARA MCLAUGHLIN



Best Dressed
 AIMEE RENSTROM & NEIL ZACHMAN



Most Likely To Be Spotted In Hollywood
 DEREK LANGLEY & JESSICA OLSON



Teacher's Pets
 KELLY EULL & CHAD VOSSEN

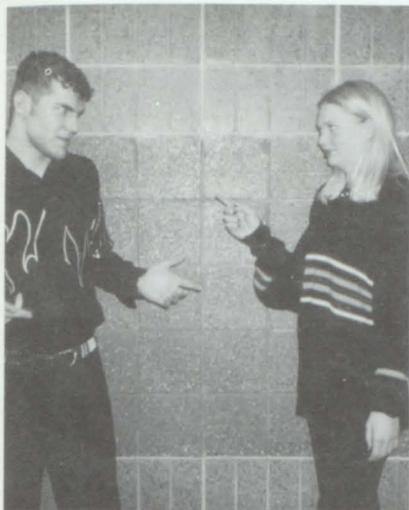


Most Shy
 (LEFT)
 RYAN BARTHEL & KARI
 BARTHEL

Best Laugh
 (RIGHT)
 GRANT MARQUETTE &
 DEANNA BECKER



Fame and Shame in 1997



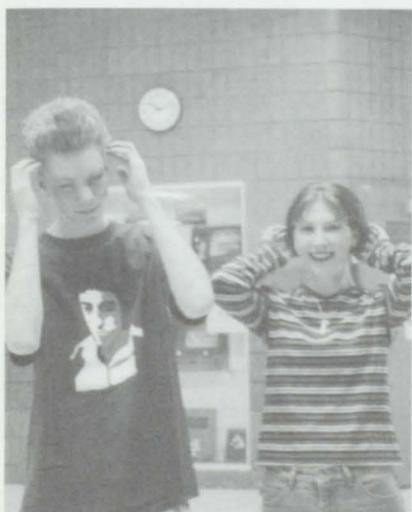
Biggest Complainers
NEIL ZACHMAN & LACEE MAKELA



Most Outgoing
DEREK LANGLEY & ANGIE JENSEN



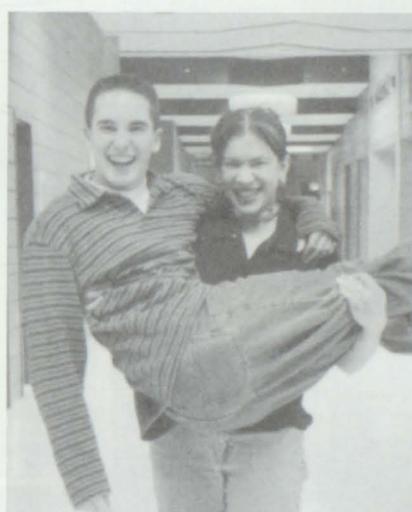
Best Smiles
MELITA BRAUN & DWAIN PEARSON



Best Hair
NATE SANDVIK & NIKKI JENSEN



Biggest Gossips
GRANT MARQUETTE & HEATHER PARTRIDGE

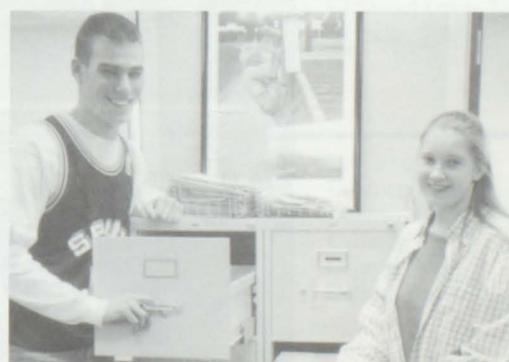


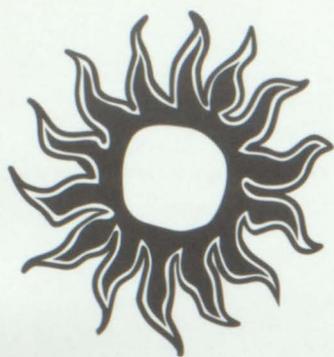
Class Clowns
DEREK LANGLEY & ANNA PLONSKA



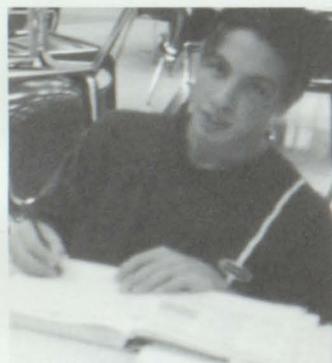
Most Athletic
(LEFT)
MIKE BARTHEL & CANDICE BARTHEL

Most Organized
(RIGHT)
CHAD VOSSEN & ERIN ANONEN



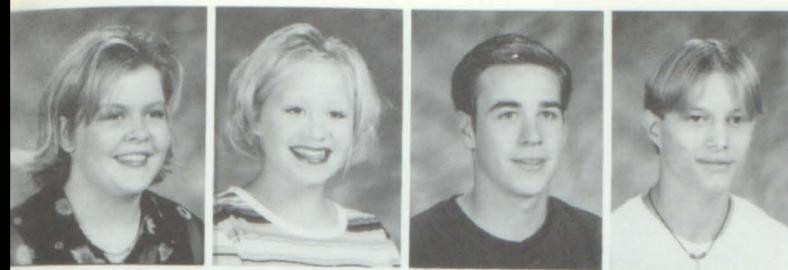


NEARING THE GOLD



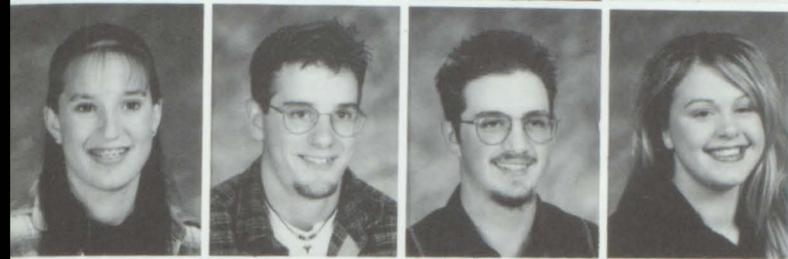
Juniors are nearing the end of high school and beginning to prepare for college. Between all the homework and studying, they somehow find time to get together with their friends and have a good time. Andrea Elfstrom, Leah Marx, Katie Lindenfesler, Chrystal Rasmussen, and Annette Raker have found the time to squeeze in a few laughs before they must return to their journey of finishing high school.

Juniors



Anderson, Melissa
Anonen, Barbara
Aurzada, Aaron
Barthel, Adam

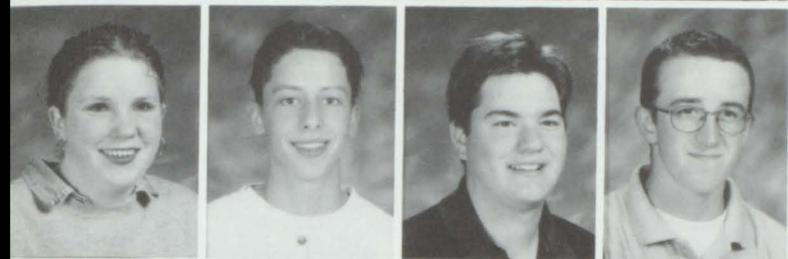
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Barthel, Diane
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If you had a personalized license plate, what would it say?

I AM GOD -Mike Jaeb

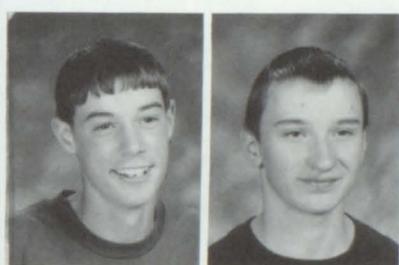
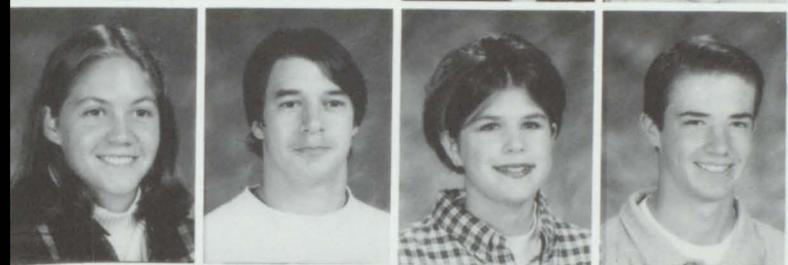


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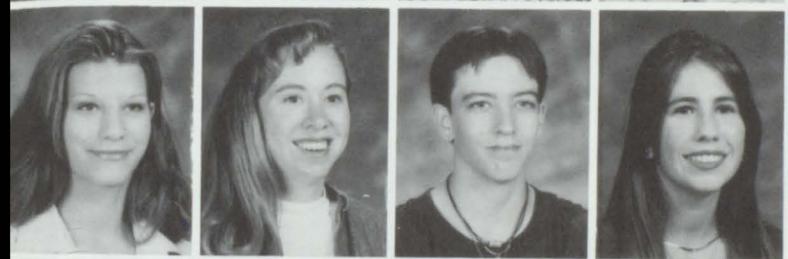
I wouldn't waste my money to get one. My car will die within the next 3.5 miles anyway.

-Sara Palo

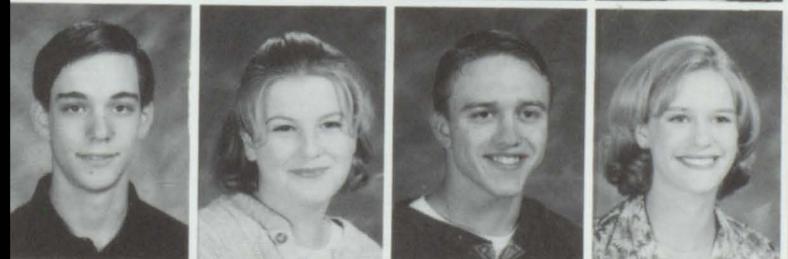
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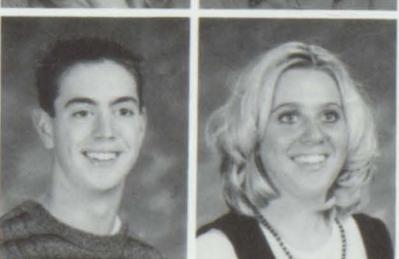
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Burse, Lucia
Cagle, Lacy
Carbert, Mary



Carlson, Benjamin
Carlson, Jessica
Carlson, Nicholas
Chew, Shannon
Christopherson, Tara
Cossette, Sara



Dawson, Joseph
Dehmer, Andrew
Dehmer, Brian
Dehmer, Jill
Dehmer, Joel
Dellwo, Amie

Dietrich, Ryan
 Duchscher, Jeremy
 Dybvik, Burnedette
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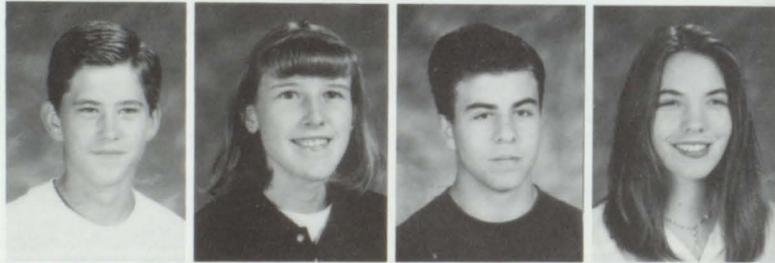
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 Haller, Monica
 Hanf, Jay
 Hangartner, Molly



Hanson, Christopher
 Hasse, Gina
 Hauge, Brian
 Heckman, Jessica



Helgeson, Nathaniel
 Hennen, Tracy
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Hulting, Stephanie
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What is the biggest or best lie
 you ever told a teacher?

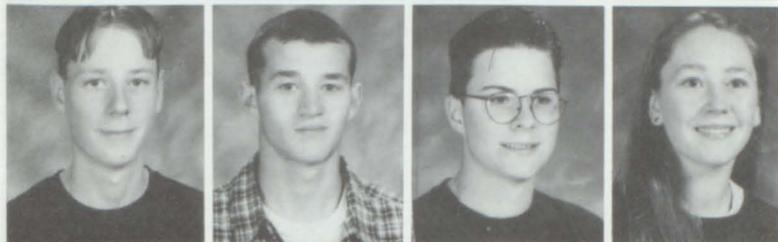
That I was really a woman.
 -Michael Peterson

That I liked their class.
 -Andy Thompson

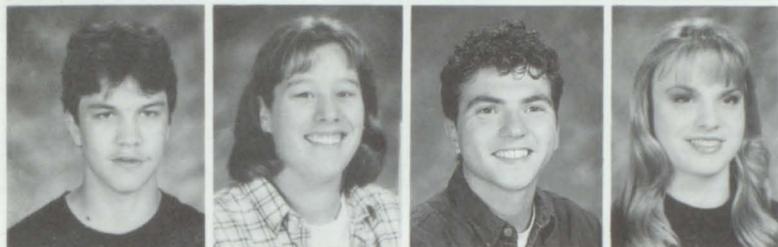
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Johnson, Michael



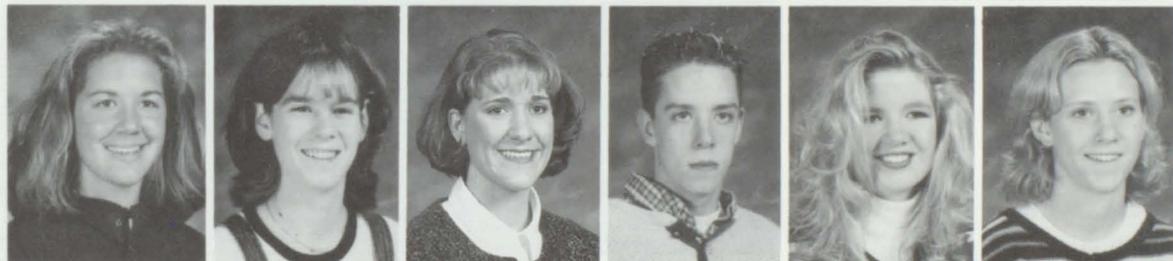
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Lefebvre, Nicole
Lefebvre, Peter
Lenneman, Lisa
Lidberg, Elizabeth



Lindenfesler, Kathryn
Lindenfesler, Nicole
Lindenfesler, Rebecca
Lindenfesler, Willie
Lofgren, Kari
Lubke, Molly



Lundeen, Erik
Marek, Stephanie
Mariotti, Marie
Marks, Andrea
Martin, Brad
Marx, Aaron



Marx, Leah
Mc Lennan, Jesse
Middleton, Nathan
Morgan, Sara
Palo, Sara
Panico, Michael

QUOTE

What have you done to get the teacher off the subject?

I asked them about their personal life; it always works.

-Heidi Braunwarth

Talk about books and movies with Mr. Hoffman.

-Jessica Heckman

UNQUOTE

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 Picha, Melissa
 Pino, Justin



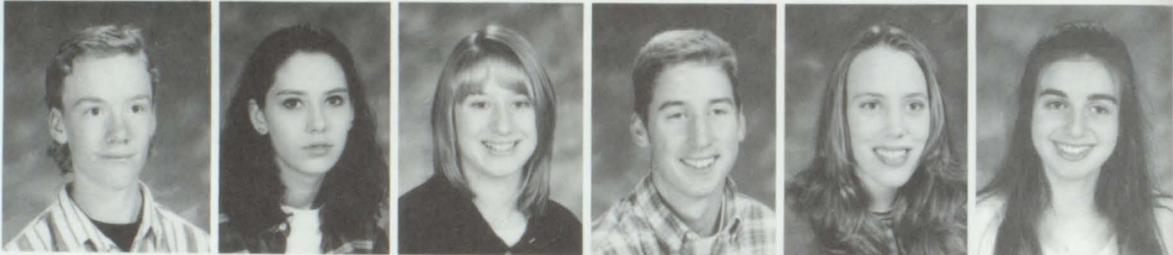
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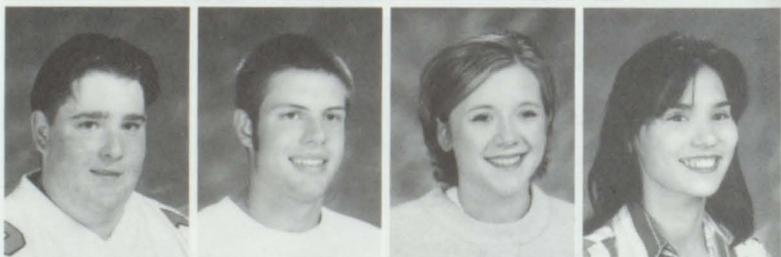
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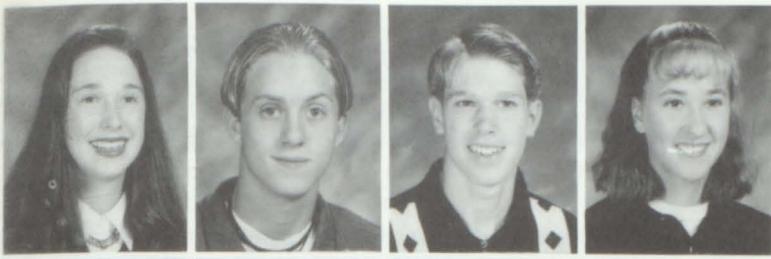
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When you walk into a class with a substitute teacher, what is your first thought?

I just laugh. -Molly Lubke

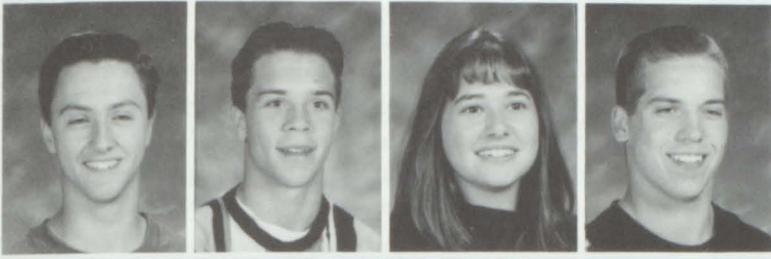
Am I in the right room?
 -Sarah Stern

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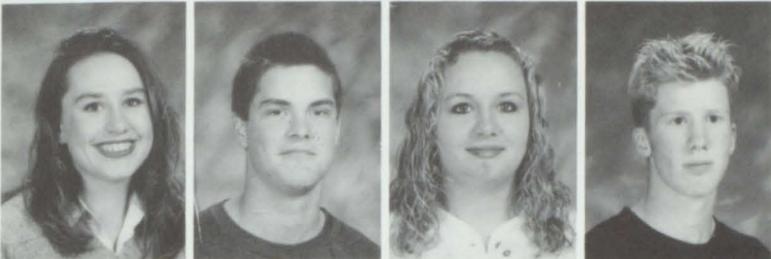
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Vetsch, Darek
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 Volkman, Christopher

What is the one rule you believe in strongly even though you don't like it?

No pop cans in lockers.
 -Keith Gutzwiller



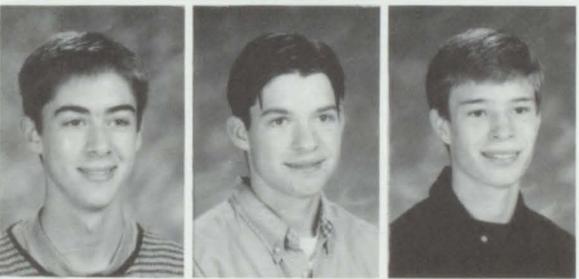
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Not to run in the hallways.
 -Michael Panico

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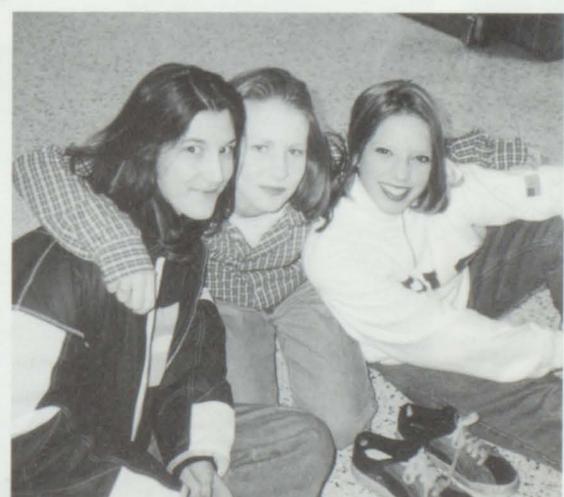


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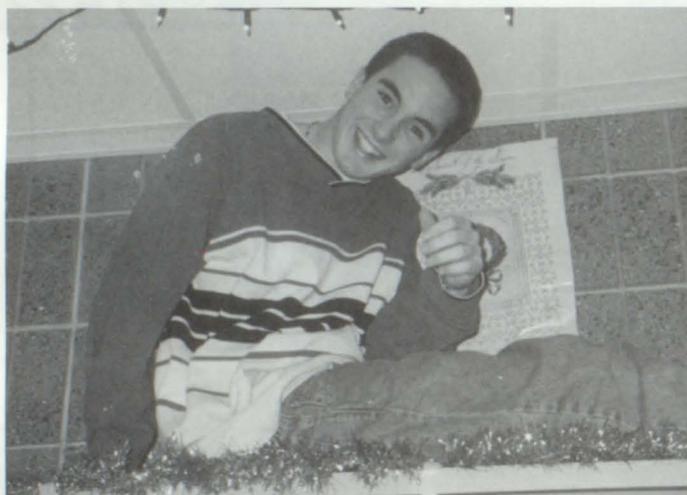
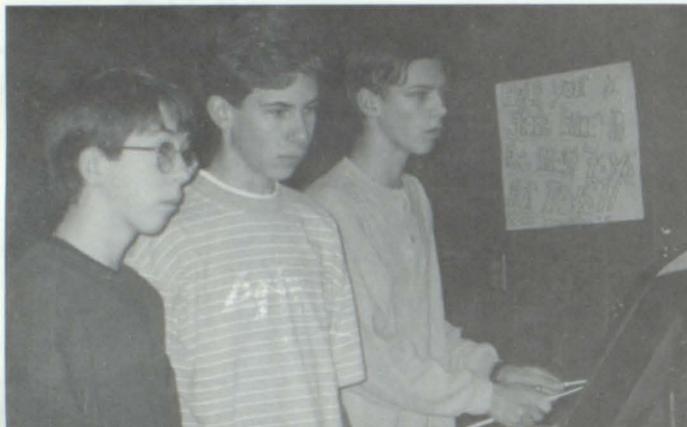
Zachman, Luke
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 Zachman, Nathaniel

Below Left: Barb Anonen and Steph Hulting are always ready with a smile.



Left: These junior girls take a break from their studies to hang out.

Below: Steve Steele, Adam Plantenberg, and Jeff Redning are doing their part in band to make the holidays jolly.



Above: Derek Langley giving a thumbs up to "Deck the Halls."



Right: Derek Brant and Trent Barthel, budding in to help.

Right: Matt Christensen and Jason Heuring are watching enthusiastically during the Elf Auction.

A Season of Change

Many festivities were planned for Christmas week. Throughout the whole week this year (Dec. 16-20) the school held a "Toys for Tots" drive. Also during this week we had "penny wars" in which each grade had to bring in the most pennies to win. If students brought in silver coins and put them in the other grade's bucket, they were subtracted from their total.

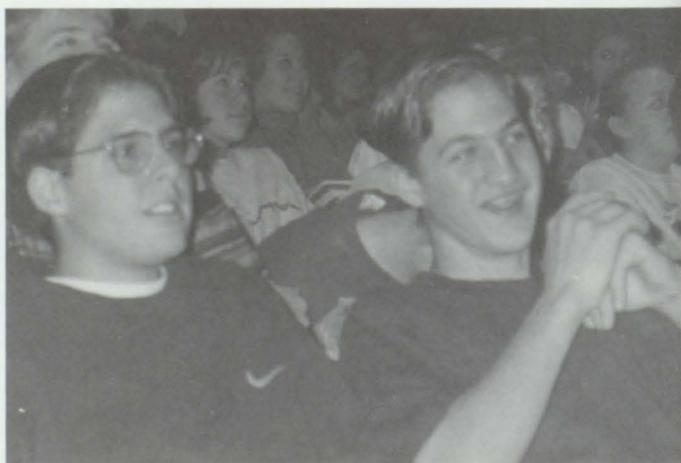
Monday during SNAP, the student body and staff gathered in the auditorium as Mr. Minkler and Mr. Skogen had a fun time auctioning off seniors as elves. Any student or teacher could buy an elf to be their slave on Tuesday.

Then on Thursday during SNAP, a competition between the grades was held to see which could decorate their hall the best. Students expressed their creativity and teamed together to make their hallway the best "decked."

Music was also brought into our school this holiday season. On Thursday and Friday morning, the band played Christmas carols. In addition, the choir members strolled throughout the school caroling.

In the middle of the atrium, the school held a "Mitten Tree." Students brought in gloves, mittens, scarves, and stocking hats to fill the tree. Circling beneath the tree were wooden chairs that students in Principles of Technology class constructed for Toys 4 Tots.

This whirlwind of festivities made our school come together and made the holiday season a little brighter for all.



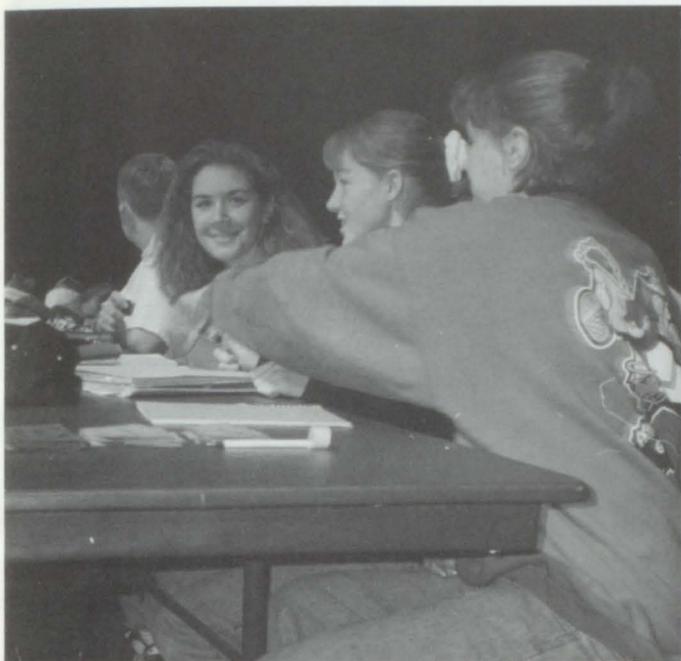
A Shining Holiday For All

"What did you think about Christmas in the school this year?"

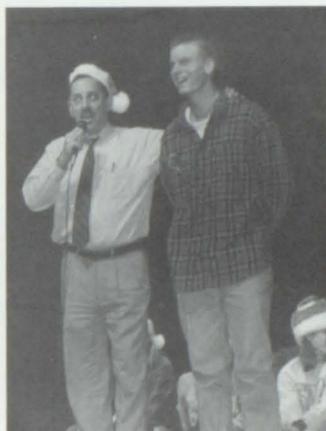
"It was really fun to deck the halls and all work together. It made things more exciting in school." -Nikki Jensen

"I think Christmas was great. The NHS, Student Council, and student body did a great job in helping those who were less fortunate than us." -Sharon Griffin

"It was fun to have carolers around the school to provide a little break in the usual classroom activities."
-Camille Albert



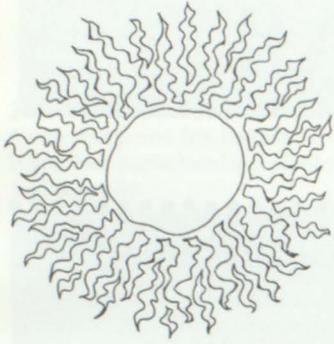
Left: Katie Lindenfelser, Nikki Hemann, and Jane Lindenfelser are eagerly awaiting income from the Elf Auction.



Left: Mr. Minkler auctioning off the profitable John McCoy.



Above: Teddy Bear chairs displayed around the Mitten Tree.

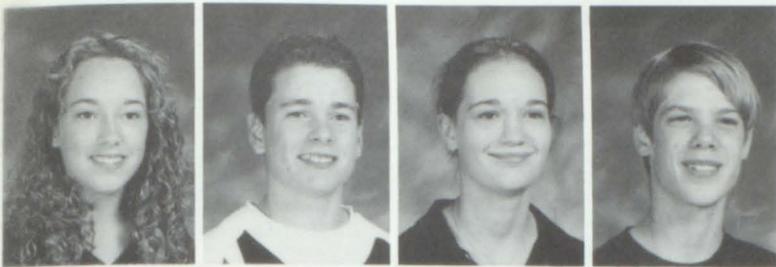


SOLID GOLD

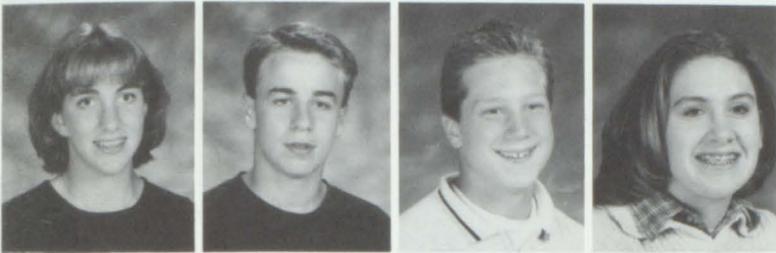


This year's sophomore class is as solid as ever. Whether they're showing off their school spirit by being involved in sports, activities, going to dances, or just creating golden memories, they always find time to have fun. As the class of 1999 looks forward to their bright future ahead, the stresses of driving and classes seem to fade into the past as they await the new century.

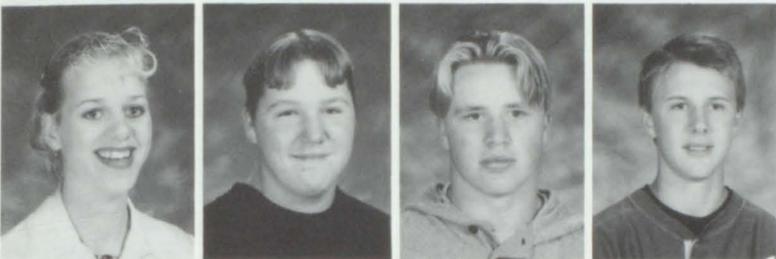
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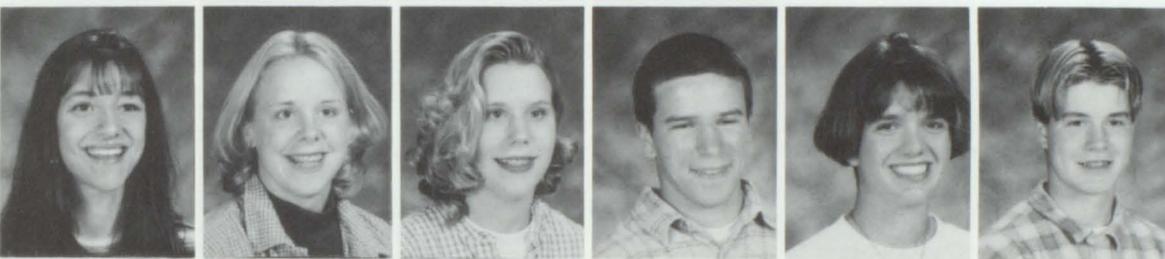
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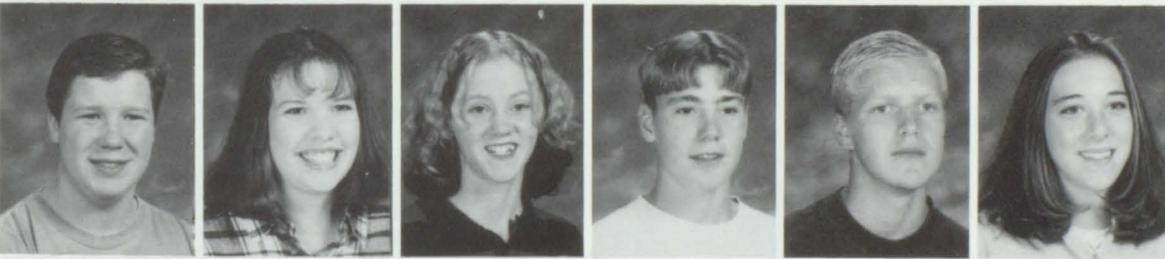
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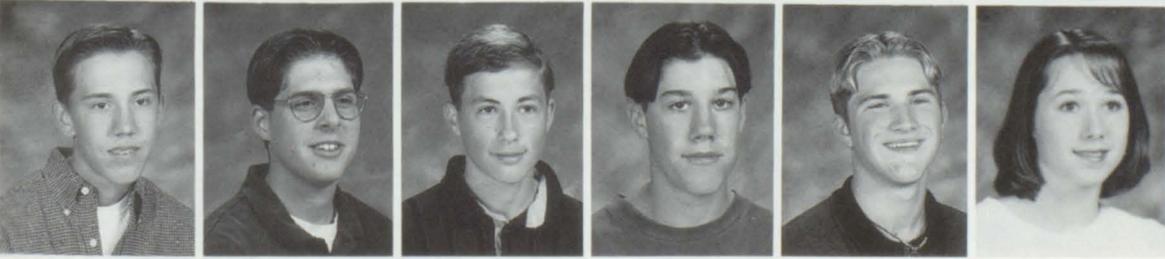
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Blais, Brandon
Bowman, Corey
Braun, Anna



Braunwarth, Donald
Bresin, Lani
Bruce, Sarah
Callahan, Catherine
Callander, Beth
Carbert, Andrew



Chaffins, Ryan
Christensen, Matthew
Clover, Ryan
Cobb, Josef
Collins, Patrick
Conzet, Tristan

QUOTE

What was your worst driving experience?

I totalled my new car near the high school. -Tayva Lenneman

I was completing behind the wheel, and I hit a racoon.

-Jessica Wagner

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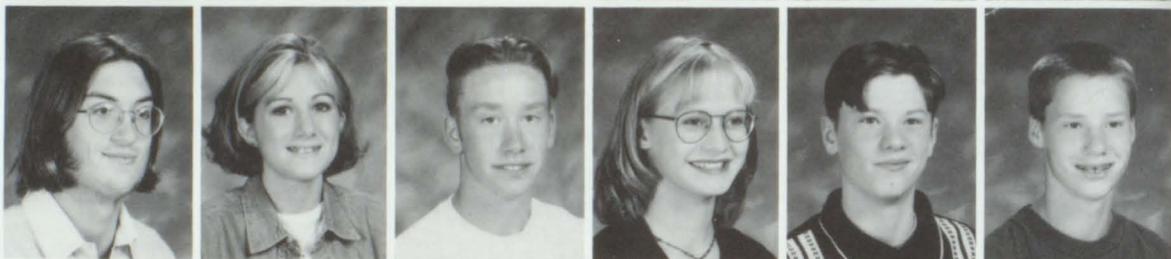
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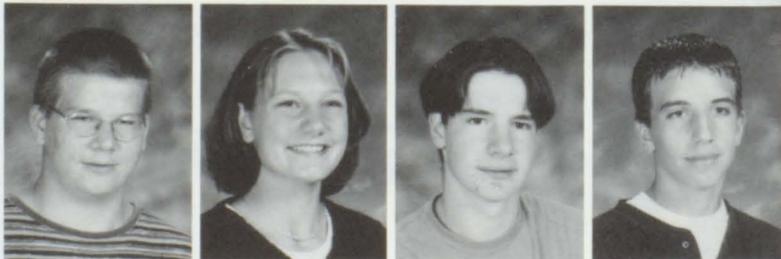
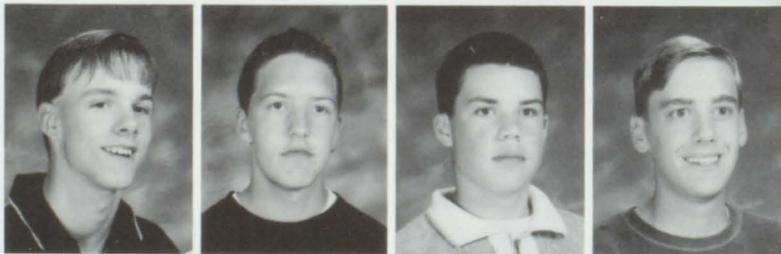
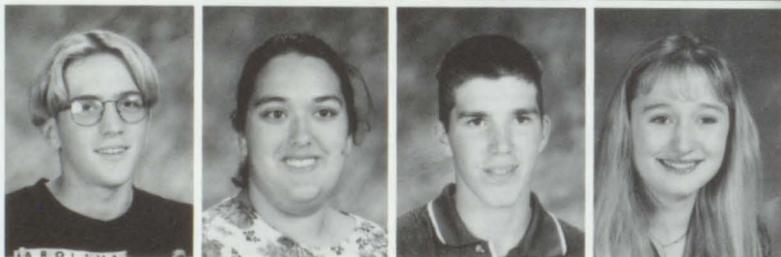
What's your best excuse for being late?

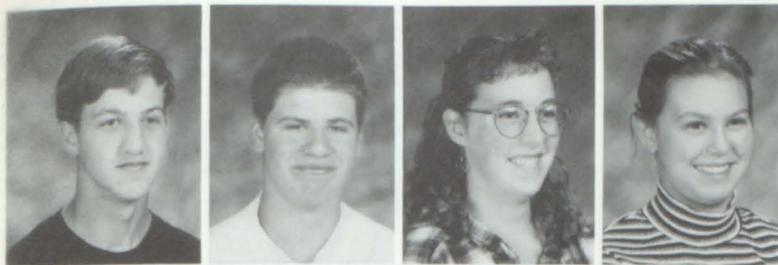
Hockey practice.
 -Mike Henry

Sorry, I always forget about that daylight savings time thing.
 -Dennis McAlpine

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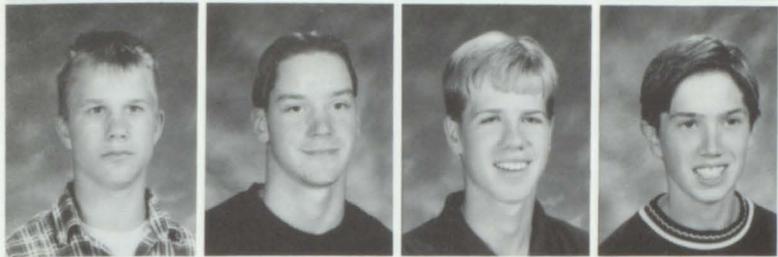




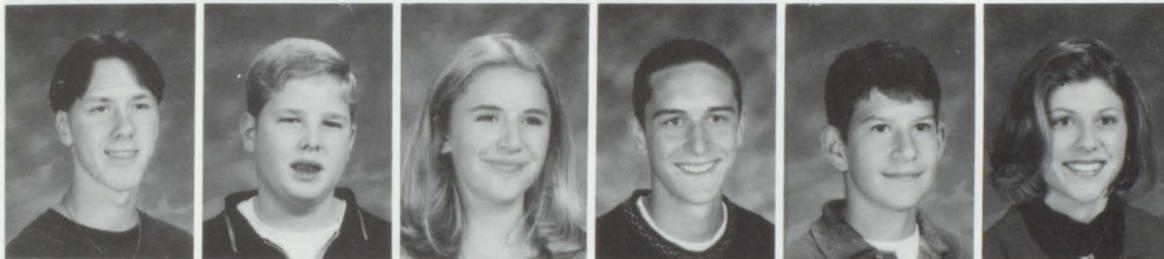
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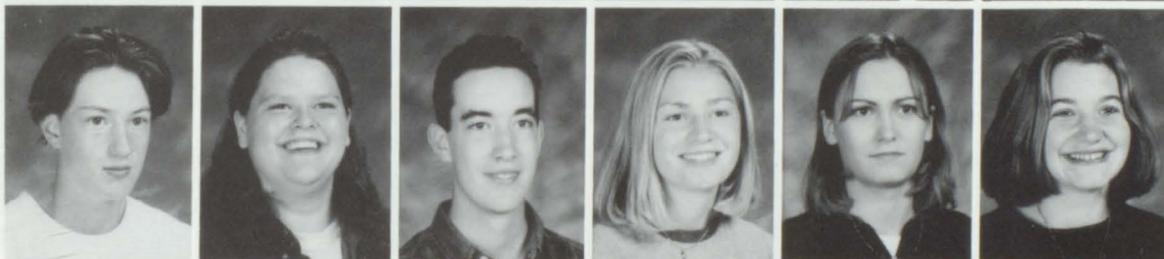
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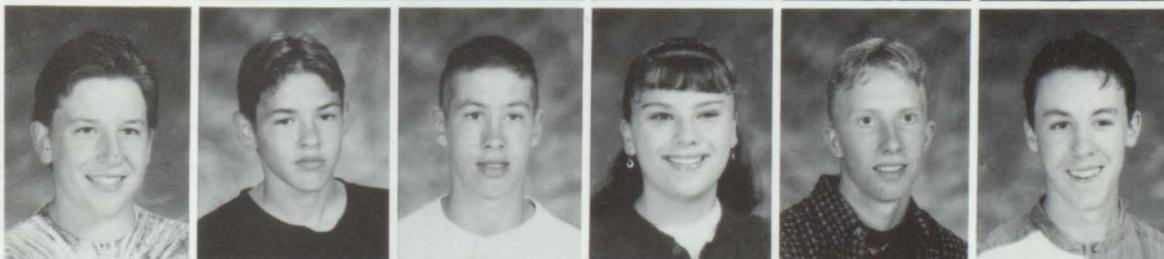
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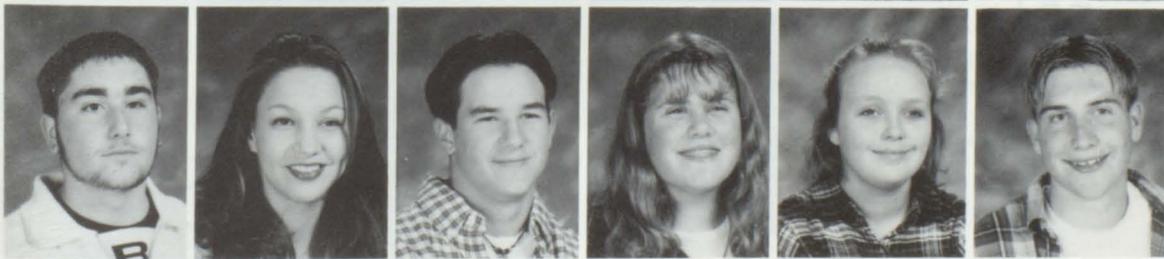
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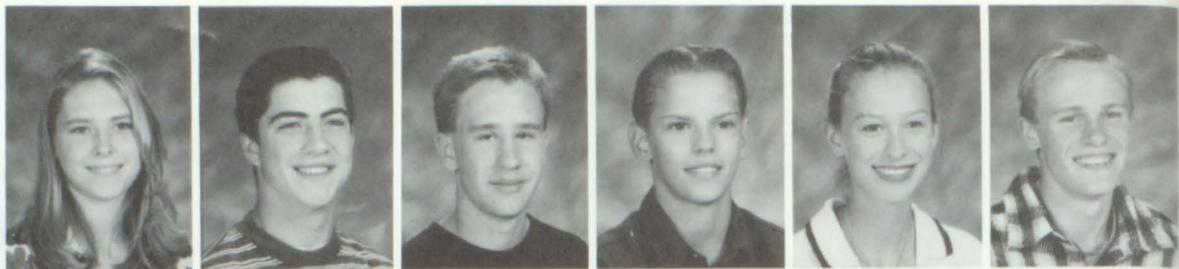
How do you bribe your parents for money?

Tell them how nice or young they look. -Cara Marx

Say I need it for lunch money. -Kurt Bistodeau

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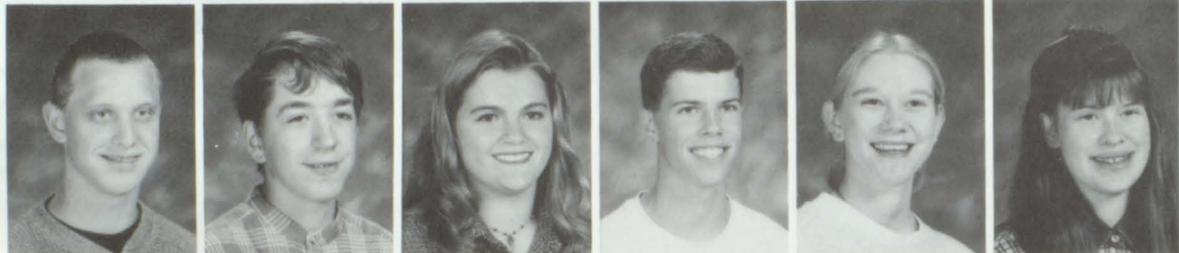
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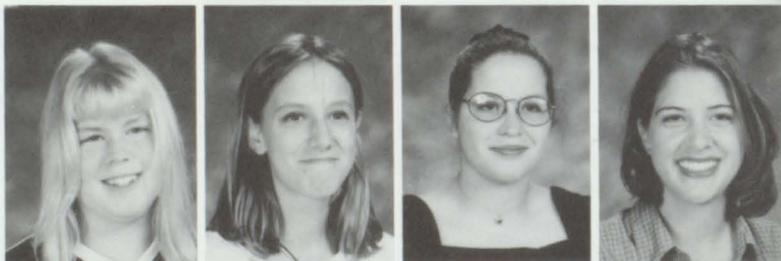
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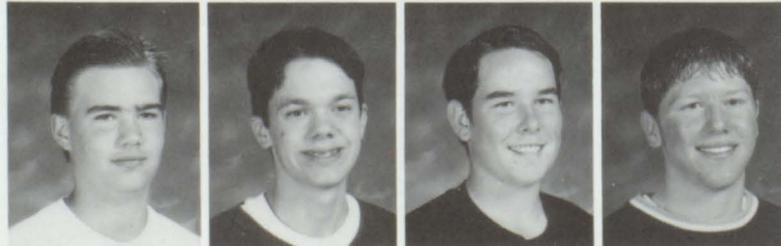
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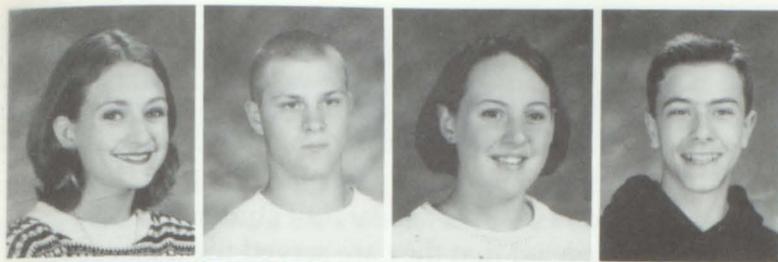
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What makes the sophomore class unique?

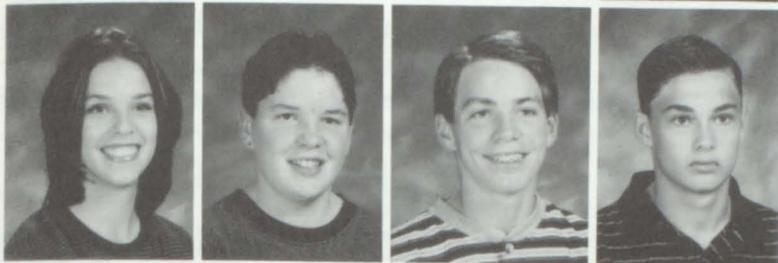
We graduate in 1999; the last year of the century.
 -Kelly Radunz

We are all crazy! -Joel Peterson

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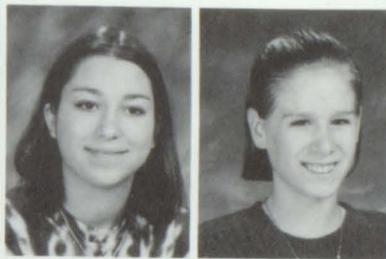
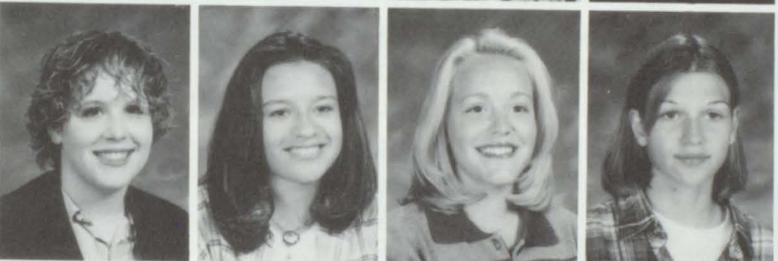
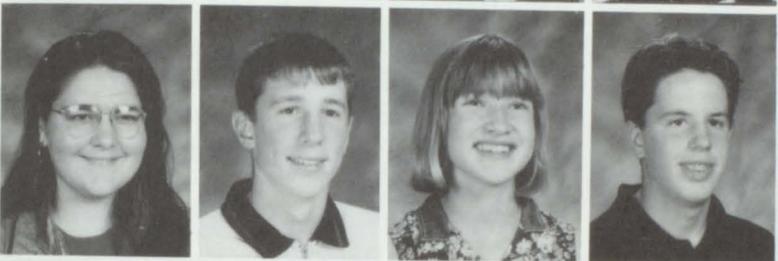
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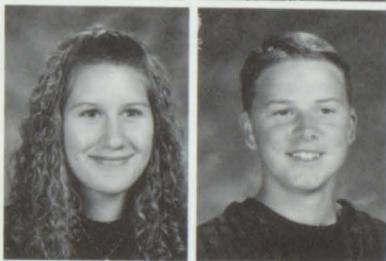
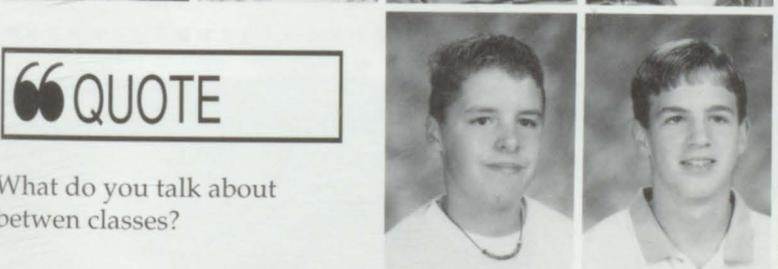
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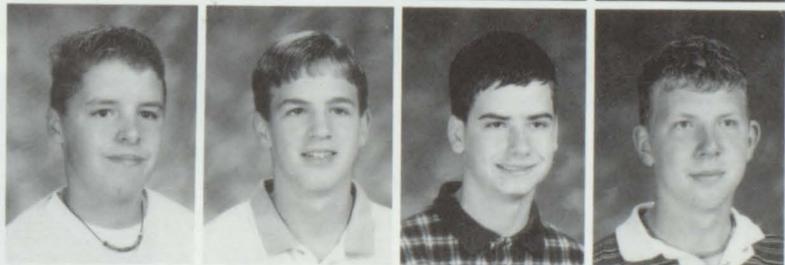
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What do you talk about between classes?

School, lunch, and after school. -Curt Zachman

I have no time. -Tara Gillette

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Zahler, Torrey

QUOTE

What is your Friday night plan?

Sleep. -Dan Duncan

Go out with friends.
-Christa Woods

Eat at Subway. -Mike Van Heel

UNQUOTE

Lunch... Eating and Socializing

Who would have thought that lunch would be such an important part of the long day? Sure, the food isn't spectacular, but students are guaranteed that they are served the major food groups. As soon as the time fourth hour bell comes along and your stomach is gurgling, you'll eat anything from the breakfast for lunch, to the turkey chow mein. Why should it matter? You don't really taste the food; it relieves that painful hunger attacking your stomach.

There has been a new addition to lunch, the Ala Carte. If you are not hungry enough for the full meal, don't want to wait in the lunch line, or just forgot to buy your lunch ticket that morning, this is the option for you. The Ala Carte has everything from nachos and bagels, to a simple fruit roll-up for those needing a tiny burst of energy for the rest of the day.

After grabbing a bite to eat, or picking up a brown bag from their locker, a student has to dash to the cafeteria. It is known that students must eat in a hurry as they do not have a great amount of time for this activity. Students also need time to talk among friends.

Lunch isn't just about food, but socializing with friends, and a twenty-five minute break from classes to energize themselves. This break allows students the chance to unwind from their hectic class schedules to visit and laugh with friends. It seems like most groups eat with the same pack of friends on a regular basis, and always at the same table. This assures students a chance to relax and unwind.

Below: A group of sophomore girls enjoy a short time to socialize during lunch.

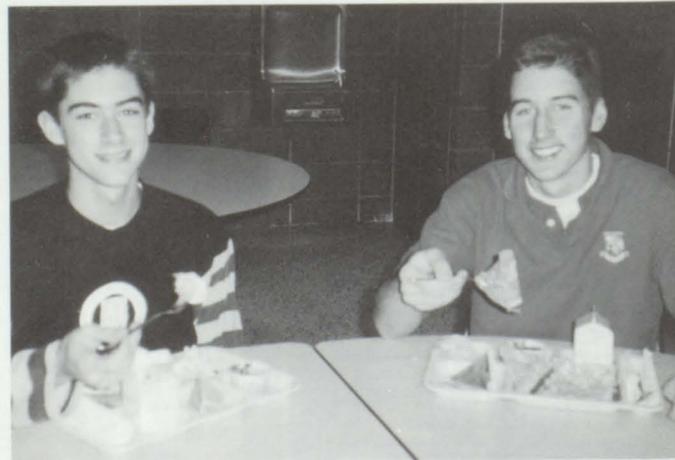


Above: People waiting patiently for the Ala Carte.

Right: Kris Hanson looking enthusiastic about lunchtime.



Right: Luke Zachman and Tom Ryan smiling as they eat their cheesy bread.



Lunch Time At STMA

"What do you think of school lunch?"

"I think the food is pretty good, and I like spending that time with my friends."
-Kelly Radunz

"I enjoy the competition for seating, and the race to finish eating in fifteen minutes."
-Kate Becker

"Taco and french fries... enough said."
-Mr. Hoffman



Left: A bird's eye view of the school's cafeteria.

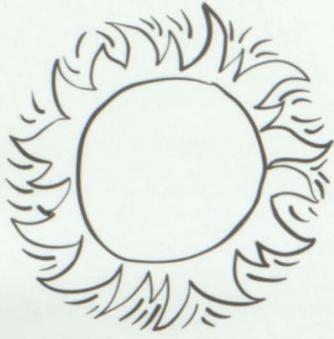


Left: Lisa Lenneman is buying her lunch from the new Ala Carte.



Below: Anna Lebsock hurries off to eat her lunch.

Left: Alice Savitski, Melissa Weber, Amber Zachman, Cara Marx, and Amber Rasmussen have a delightful conversation while enjoying their lunch.



NEVER HAD IT SO GOOD



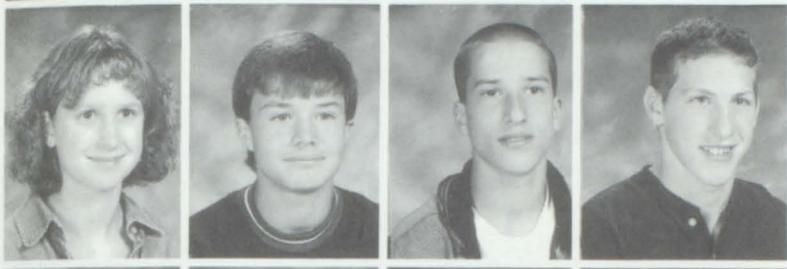
After entering their first year in high school, the freshmen have discovered how much more freedom they now have. They are able to make more of their own decisions, they receive more respect and equality from teachers, and they have obtained the privilege of chewing gum in class.

Crissi Armstrong, Jodi Zachman, Shelley Vetsch, Sarah Trebesch, Amber Kuhn, and Jason Becker are enjoying their high school lives with their friends and creating new memories, while enjoying this newly found freedom.

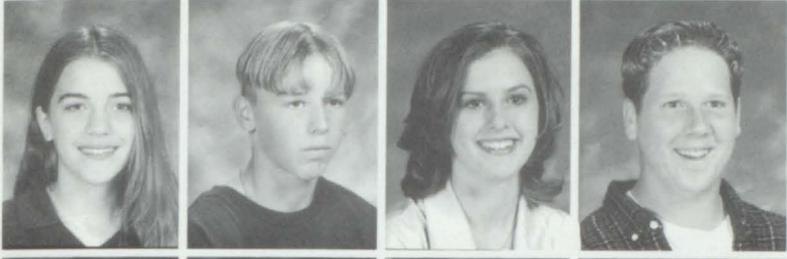
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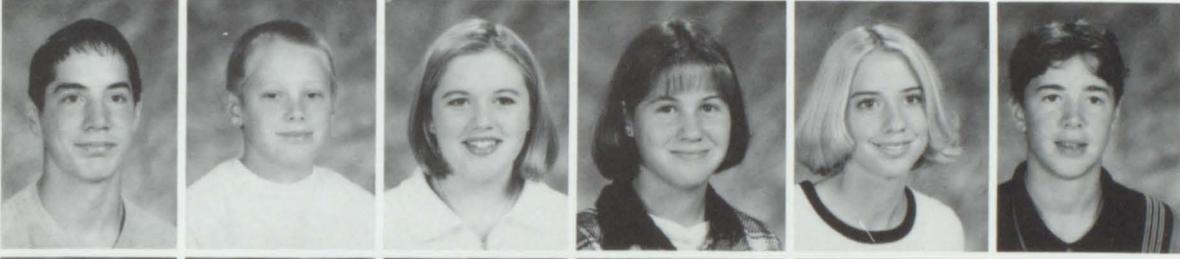
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Who is your hero and why?

Grover-he's the bomb! -Jillian Tallman

I don't have one; that is like saying you want to be someone else. I want to be like me! -Carissa Breun

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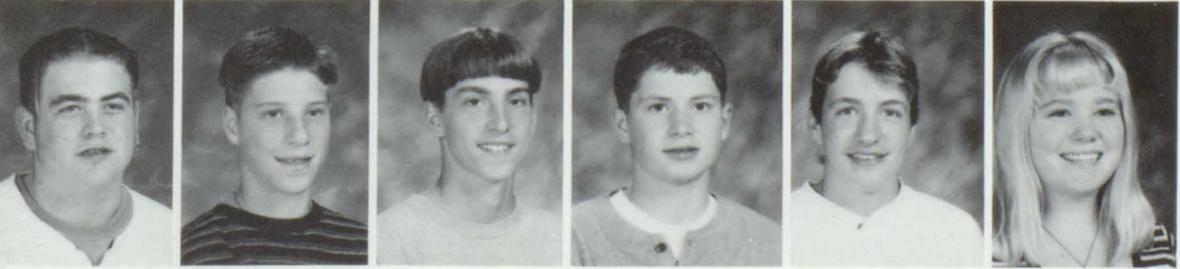
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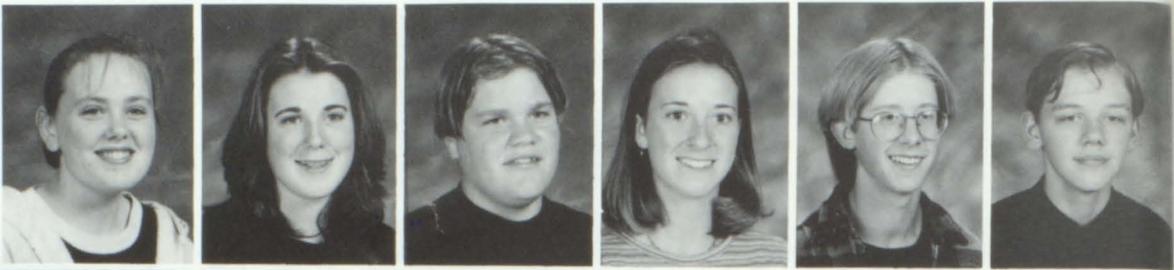


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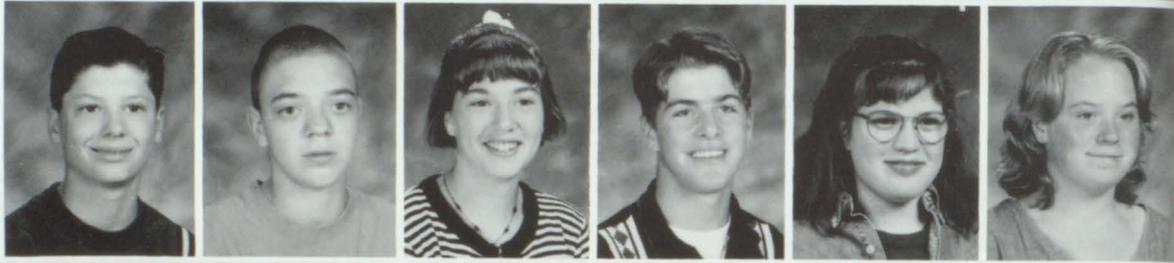
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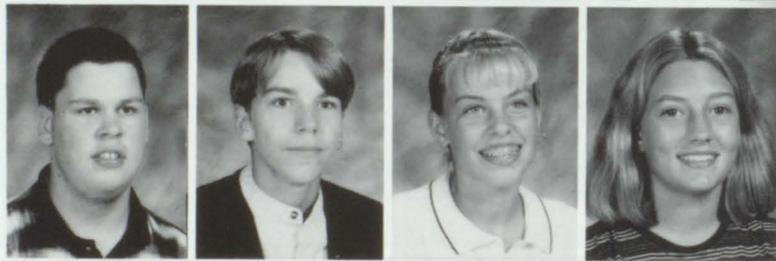
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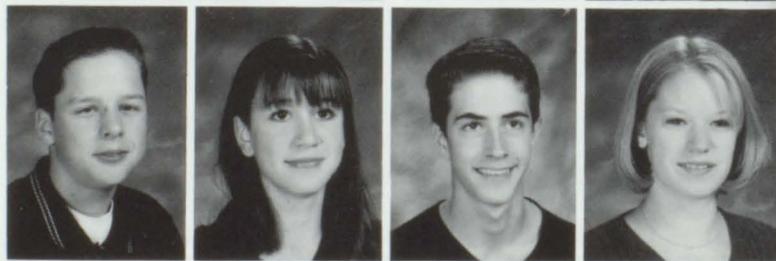


What is your most embarrassing moment?

When my boyfriend found a booger on my nose. -Nicole Sieber

When I was in the weight room benching and one side fell off. -Aaron Barthel

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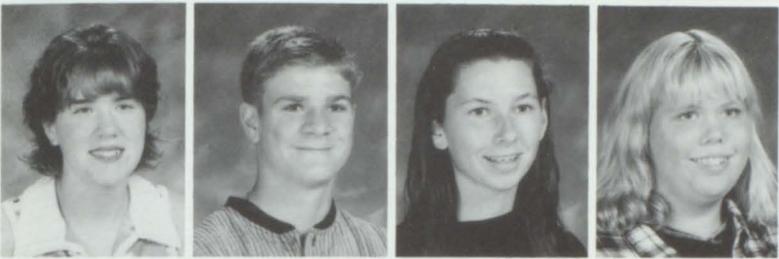
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What do you want to achieve in your freshmen year?

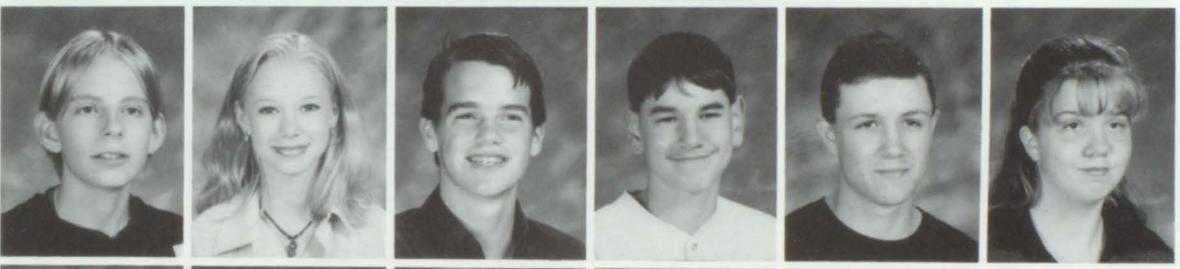
Passing, then being able to move to a higher grade so we don't get pushed around so much. -Kari Lundeen



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To not break any bones in the ski club. -Maureen Vetsch

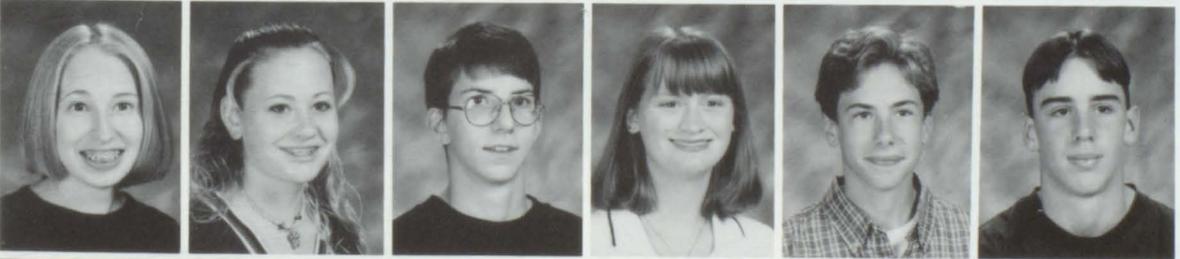
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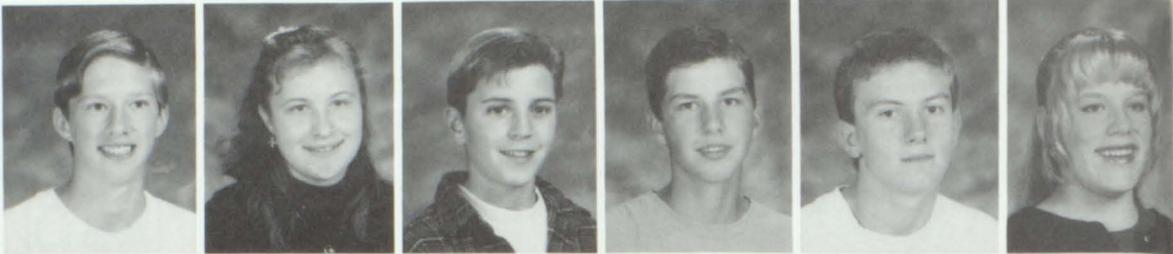


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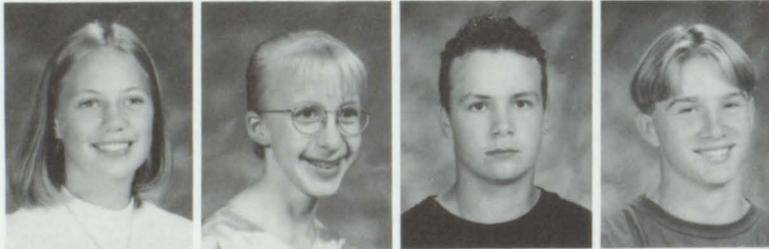
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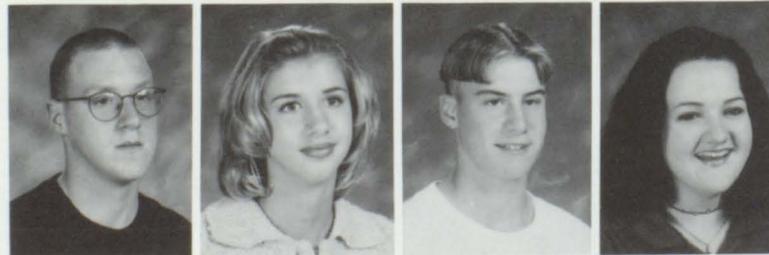
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What has been your worst moment since you have been in high school?

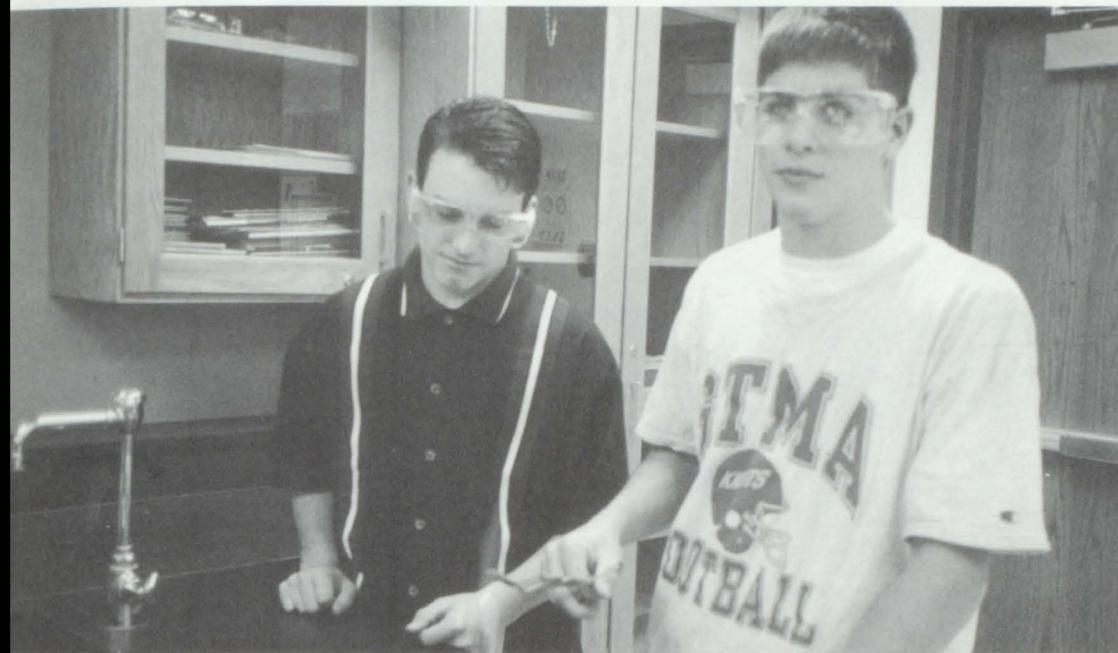
Running the two miles. -Kris Hanson

Doing the "Suck-N-Blow" during Battle of the Classes.
 -Amanda Valerius

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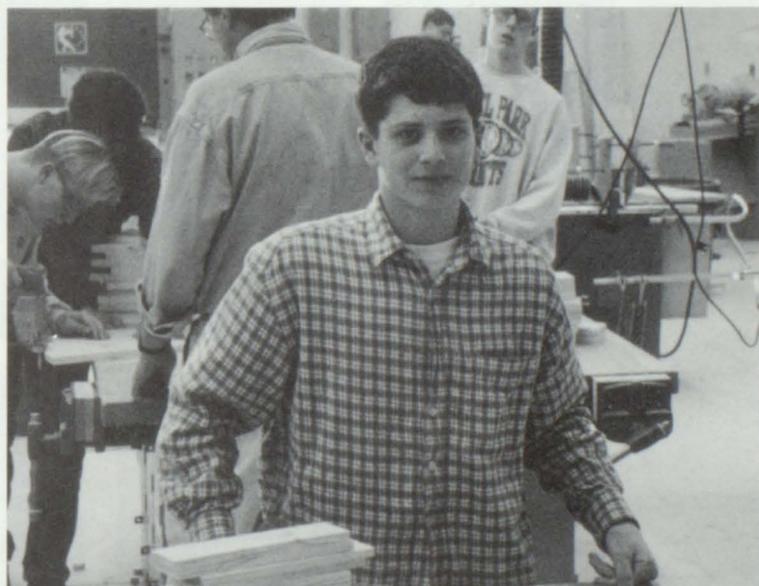
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Left: Marty Hackenmueller
and his friend look real
amused to be playing with
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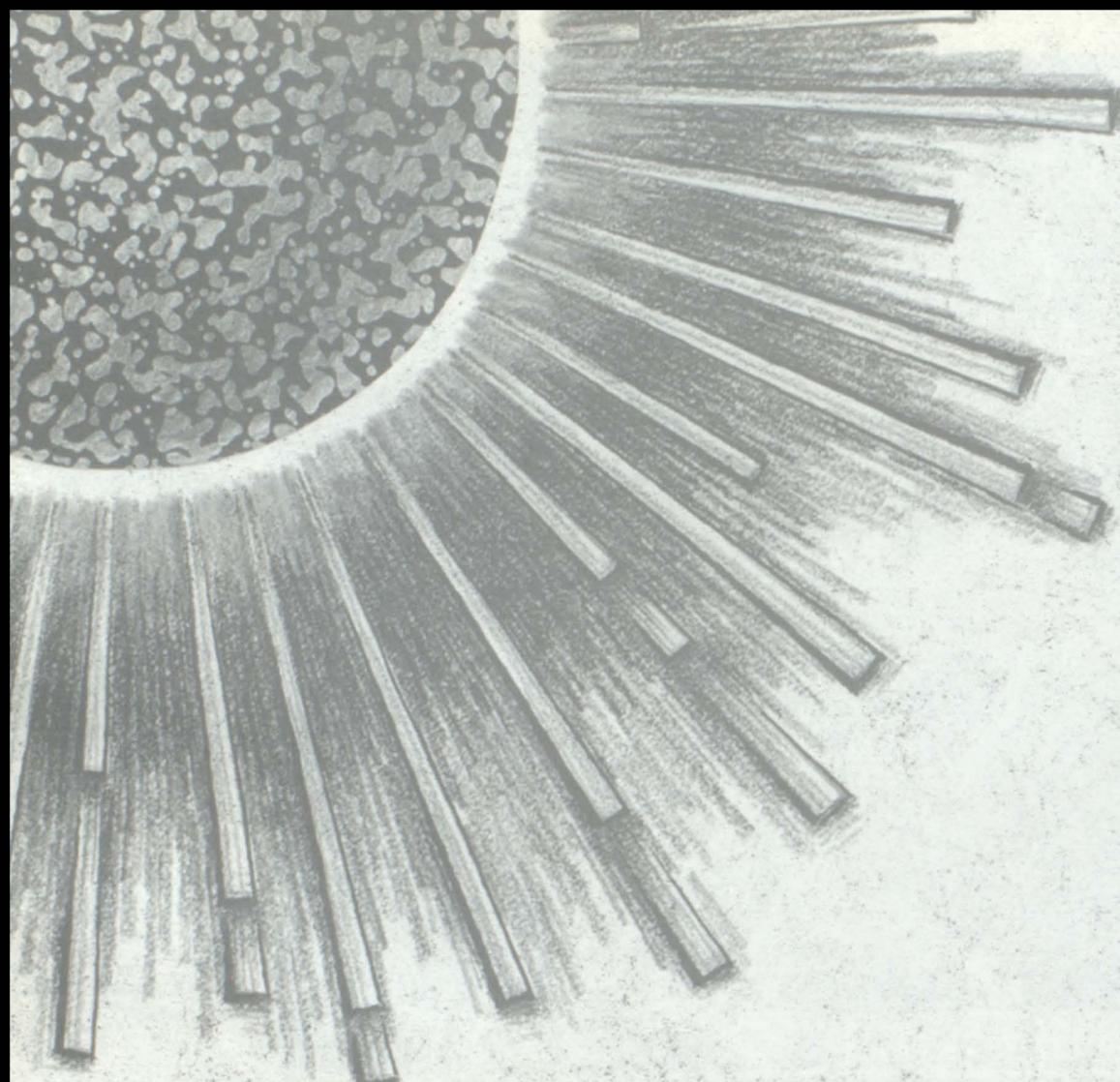


Above: Miranda Joyce kicks back after completing her math assignment.



Right: John Duncombe is done with his wood working before the rest of the class.

Zachman



Academics

Administration



Mark Minkler
Principal



Wendy Shomshak
Administration

Mr. Minkler explains that his role as the principal is to support as many positive efforts as he can. If teachers want to try something or need equipment, he will try to help them with his support. In addition, when students have ideas, he will try to listen and support those ideas which he feels are in the best interest of all concerned.

School should be safe, worthwhile, rewarding, and fun. With the help of the administration and faculty, this task is done. Their efforts are directed for the purpose of making STMA High School a better place for all to work and learn.



Mike Beck
Athletic Director



James Bowers
Counselor



Jan Didier
A.D. Secretary



Vera Hanson
Nurse



Colleen Harrington
Counseling Sec.



Delores Helgeson
HeadCook



Wayne Hoistad
Dist. Tech. Coord.



LuAnn Lindenfelser
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HeadCustodian

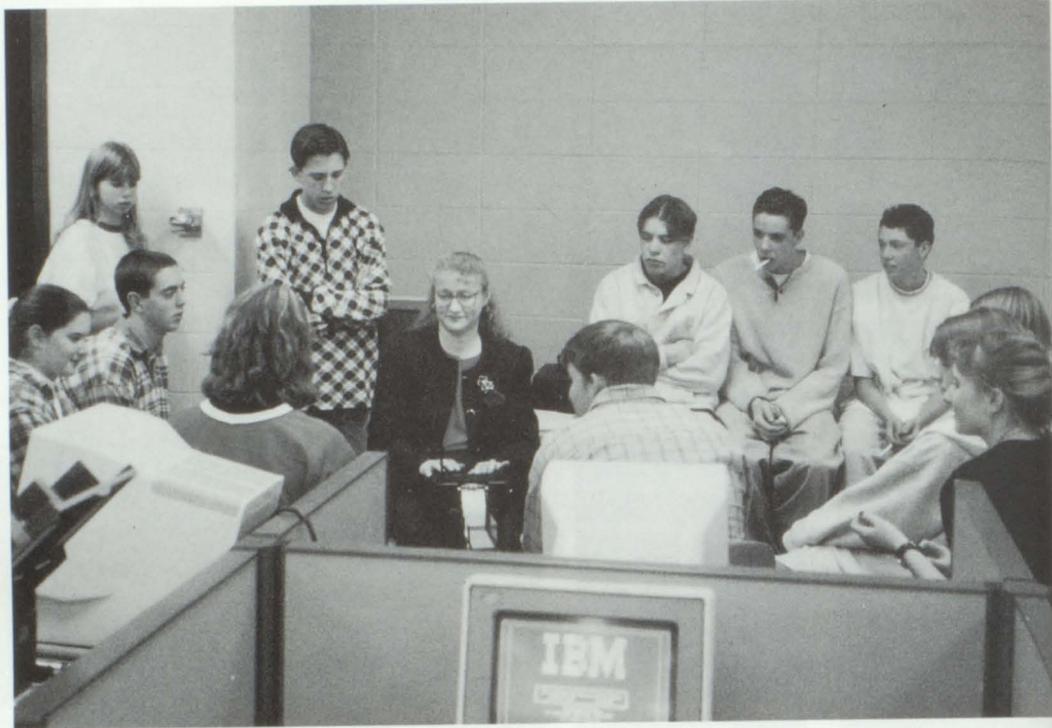


Dona Zachman
Cook

Business and Computers

Right: Students in Typing class watch court reporter Jane Hackenmueller do her job while she visited class.

Below: Mike Hauge and Aaron Cook intensely work on their Computer Science assignment.



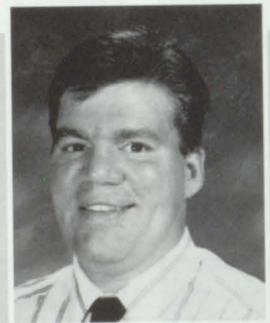
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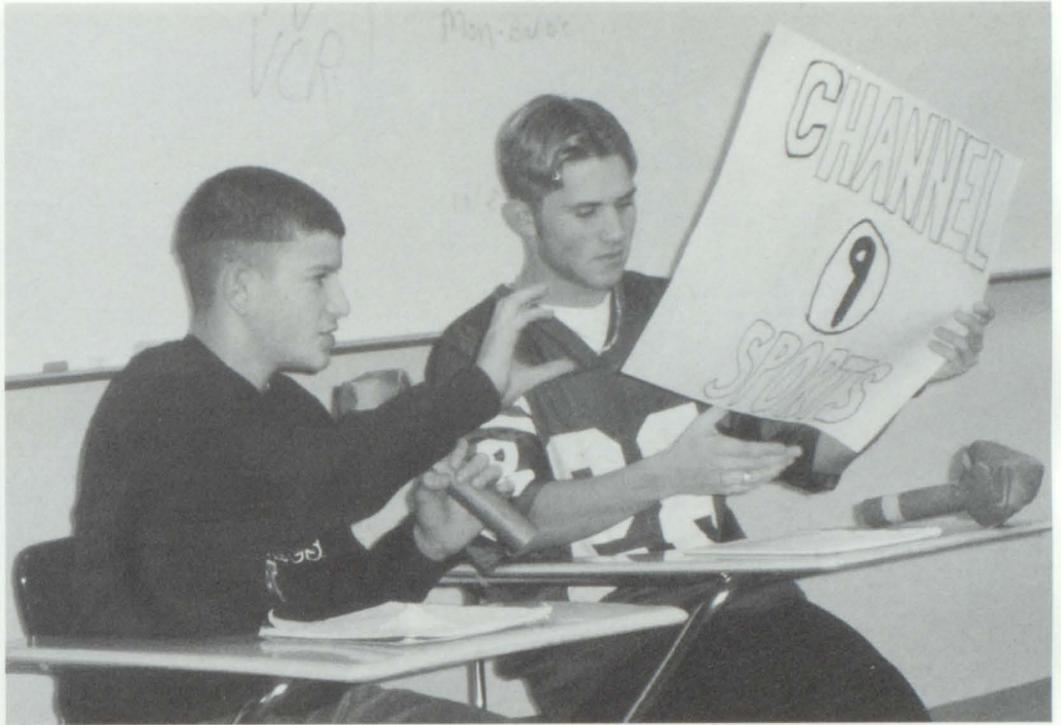


Tate Nagengast

Business and computer science are two electives needed to succeed in the classroom as well as the future. Students need typing skills to learn how to manage a computer and its operations. They also need to know all the details in Accounting, if that is a career they may want to persue. Computers and the Internet are the wave of the future, so this department is expanding every year and many students are experiencing the skills that will be mandatory later in life.

English

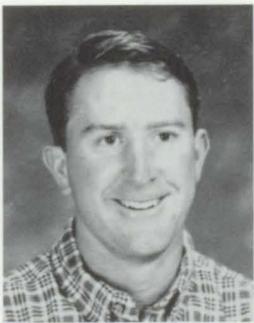
Right: Nick Koshenina and Pat Collins interrupt Channel 9 Sports to do a news brief on the whereabouts of George from Of Mice and Men.



Below: Mr. Taylor smiles for the camera while taking a break from teaching English



The Staff...



Jeremy Hoffman



Jan Lefebvre



Jesse Radzwill



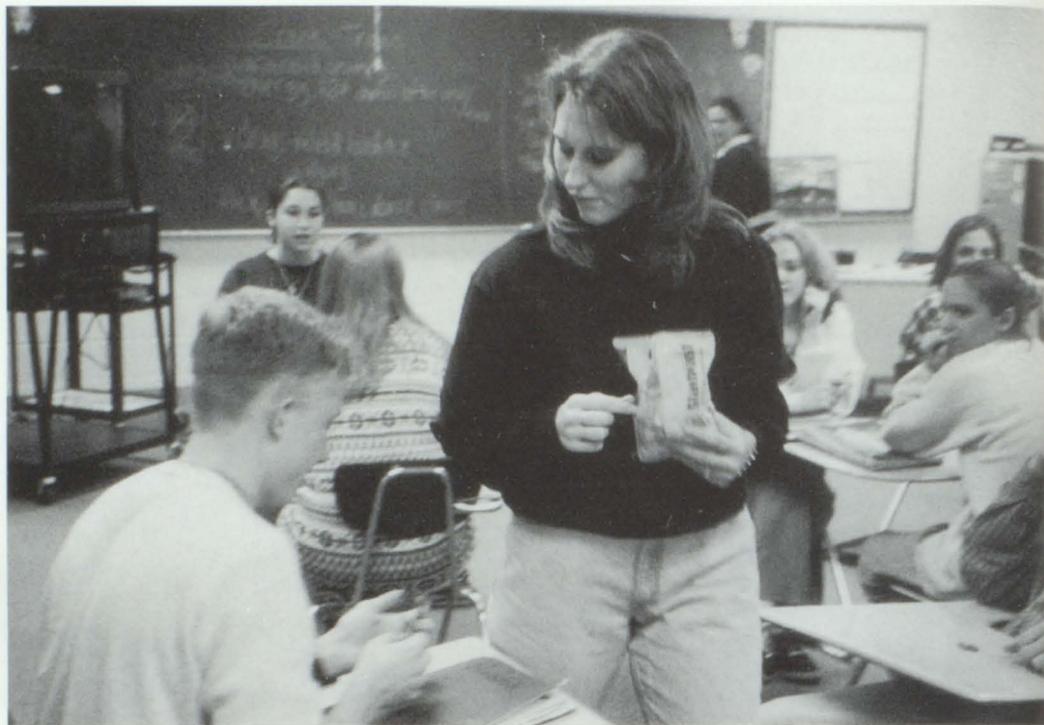
Michelle Westerlund

In English, students are challenged to stretch their minds as they read new books, create new stories, or perform plays. Many classes focus on an inquiry project related to their current area of study, whether it be Shakespeare, the future, or themselves. During this project, students are required to use many different types of research including the Internet and local libraries to gather as much information as possible. Students become self-directed learners as they complete their projects and then present their findings to the class. Students with special abilities in theater and speech may also take an elective class in that area.

Gym and Health

Right: Ms. Hansen distributes Starbursts to a student to teach the dangers of drug addiction.

Below: A couple of boys anxiously await a pass during a game of floor hockey.



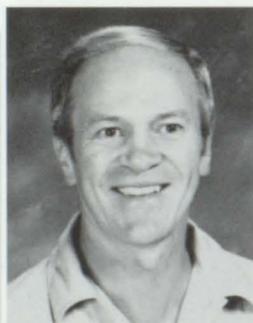
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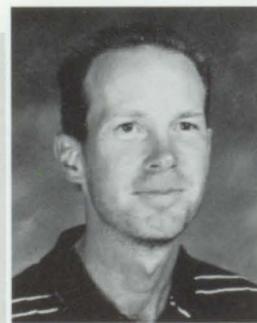
Krista Hansen



Julie Kalleberg



Mike Kral



Steve Rothweiler

Whether students are running around the school, or sitting in a classroom, they are learning about physical health. These two classes are important for teaching kids about themselves, their personal strengths and weaknesses. This department does this by playing different athletics or writing reports on diseases and health articles. As young adults who are constantly changing, these classes play an important role in their lives.

Industrial and Visual Art

Right: Students work hard to prepare their little chairs for the Toys for Tots drive.

Below: Naomi Marx uses her time wisely during her art class to produce the best picture possible.



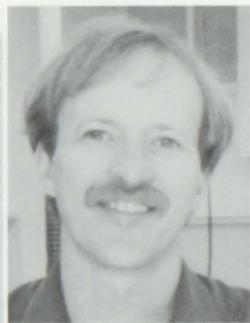
The Staff...



Tammy Anderson



Earl Bauman



Scott Danielson



Alice Hedlund

Students in Industrial Technology are applying their knowledge of technology to the future. This class is made up of many classes in one, such as algebra, geometry, and computers. Everyday students are working hard on creating a new project, whether it be for Toys for Tots or another lesson, they are always learning. In art classes, students are allowed to develop their creative minds while they put together terrific pieces of art. This may be done through drawing, ceramics, photography, or creative crafts.

Living Skills

Right: These young women are able to experience the trials and tribulations of being a mother in their Child Development Class.

Below: In the spirit of Homecoming, the Foods class made a blue and gold Knight's cake shown by Traci Hennen.



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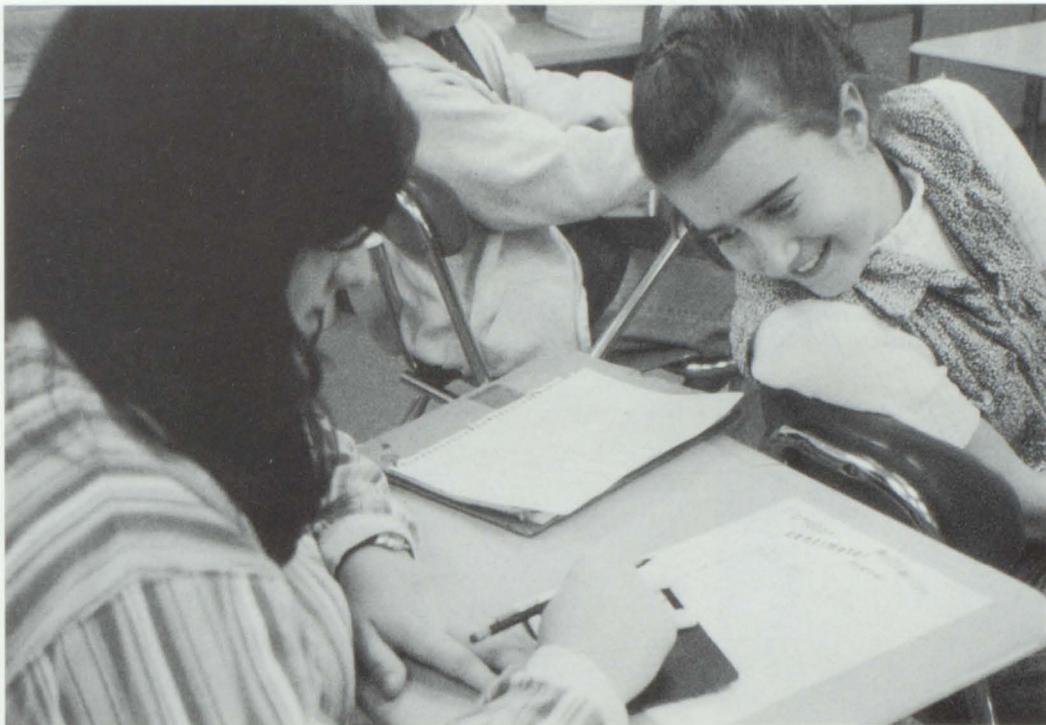


Pat Larson

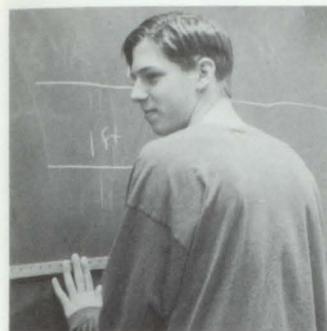
In Living Skills, students are able to take part in learning how to do all the necessary skills for living. There is a personal finance class where students are able to learn how to balance a budget and live within their means. There are many other electives that are offered in this area. These include: Childhood Development, Foods, Family Living, Living Skills, Personal Finance, and Housing. There is a wide variety of classes that students can choose in order to make their lives easier. These classes will permit students to make wise and educated decisions about their future.

Mathematics

Right: Jamie Jessor and Emily Christenson find time to share a few laughs while working on a math problem.



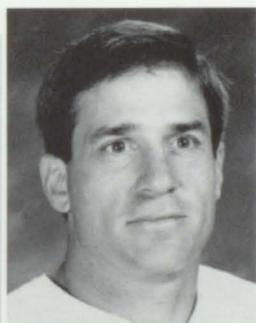
Below: Jeff Redning shows off his measuring abilities to the class as he stands proud at the black board.



The Staff...



Loren Erickson



Greg Greeno



Karen Volkenant

Mathematics is a part of every student's life, from using protractors and compasses, to scientific calculators. Students are constantly learning and expanding their minds. Throughout the different classes, students learn how to apply different levels of math to their daily lives. This will become important for balancing checkbooks, creating a budget, or pursuing a business career or another math related field. Everyday students take a closer step to the bright future ahead of them in mathematics.

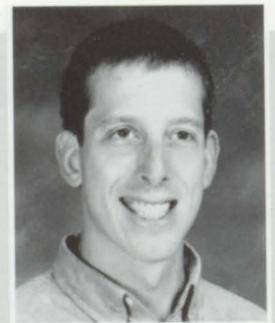
Music

Right: A group from the St. Michael Albertville HS choir practices for their holiday concert.

Below: Ms. Hanson works hard to prepare her choir for their concert.



The Staff...



Joel Anderson

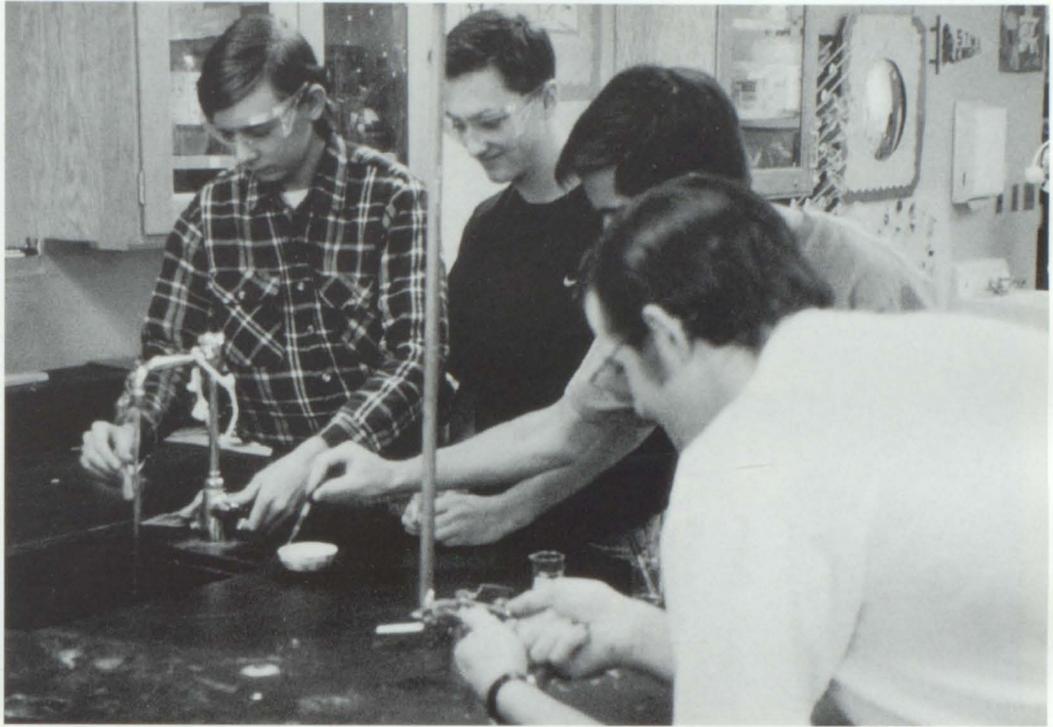
The Music Department plays a very large role in many students' lives. The Wind Ensemble and 9th Grade Band put on three concerts a year. They also participate in many other events such as pep band, solo and ensemble contest, pit orchestra, graduation, large group contest, and Christmas carols in the halls.

This year, St. Michael Albertville was fortunate enough to add a choir director to its program. This year's choir is led under the direction of Melissa Hanson. She has helped the choir to grow to new boundaries. The Concert Choir and the Women's Choir perform at two concerts a year. They too participate in such events as solo and ensemble contest, large group contest, and triple trios.

Science

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Right: Andy Thompson, Derek Vetsch, Ben Carlson, and Jared Beaudry work together during a chemistry lab.



Below: Rachel Becker carefully adds chemicals together to perform her experiment.



The Staff...



Dan Abrahamson



Amy Johnson



Roger Ketel

Science classes teach students many different techniques of problem solving. These problem solving skills will allow students to try and test many theories throughout life. In Biology, students get their first opportunity to dissect worms, frogs, and a starfish. Chemistry students look at atoms and protons, while Physics classes look at how movement, gravity, and forces control an object. Finally, Environmental Science allows students to think and question many of the environmental issues that threaten our world. All of these classes provide hands on learning where students perform the experiments and labs to help themselves learn.

Social Studies

Right: Jared Kolles, Nicole Lefebvre, Burnadette Dybvik, Angela Valerius, and Tom Ryan find it hard to concentrate on their Economics work when a camera is nearby.

Below: These boys work with much ambition to complete their History projects.



The Staff...



Dale Barthel



Carrie Berning



Darrell Skogen



Pete Warne

Learning about the past, present, and future is the purpose of Social Studies. Exploring the countries around the world, and students' own country prepares them for the world ahead. Economics classes made futuristic products, from the Enzymeplastyogram, an enzyme that eats away the fatty tissue in arteries instead of having to do surgery, to an instant gas pump that takes cash or credit cards at the pump. In United States History, students explored all the decades from the 1900's by learning about people, places, and events that were happening. The Social Studies department is pushing students into the future by teaching them about the past.

Spanish

Right: The Spanish Four class, Lamee Renstrom, Valerie Scheller, Jodi Haller, Rachel Becker, Amy Hackenmueller, and Jennie Koshenina, have a fiesta in class.

Below: For the Spanish holiday, Day of the Dead, Camille Albert and Beth Thompson created Bags of Bones."



The Staff...



Katy Briel



Gina Jordahl

The Spanish classes participate in a number of educational activities throughout the year that gives them a closer look at the Spanish culture. They participate in the Mayaquest Expedition which, through the Internet, teaches students about the Maya culture and archeology. Students in Spanish I get the opportunity to visit the Festival of Nations. Then when students reach levels II, III, and IV, they put on presentations at the Minnesota Zoo or go there to watch. Every year, a week and a half long trip is spent in Mexico by students who are excited to learn more Spanish. In Mexico, they learn about the culture, the language, and also catch some sun. To conclude, the Spanish department has many ways to apply what they learn to real life.

Special Education

Right: Special Ed students working hard in class.



The Staff...



Kevin Crocker



Shawn Hackett



Ann Johnson



Deb Myhre



Deb Watson

Special education provides a variety of classes to help students succeed in the future. The Special Education department offers everything from alternative classroom instruction, help with testing, and speech therapy. This department provides a place for students to go who might need additional help in some subject area or other aspect of life. They see many different students each day, and help them to grow and learn.

ONE CLASSY LADY...

It is difficult to describe such a dynamic woman in just a few words. Merrilee Sonju showed class in every way.

Right: Teaching at STMA was a very big part of Mrs. Sonju's life.



During faculty meetings, Mrs. Sonju would go out of her way to provide mood lighting, tablecloths, music, and a gourmet breakfast for thirty. We all were continually amazed at her sense of style, and how thoughtful of a teacher she was. She matched her outfits from turban to toe, usually in her favorite colors like red, white, and blue- and of course the latest in "Liz Wear." She would often treat her students to banana splits or popsicles for a job well done. In science class, on earthworm dissection day, she provided "dirt pie" to munch on afterwards. Merrilee enjoyed the finer things in life, and celebrated FUN. -Excerpts Compliments of Alice Hedlund-



Above: She always had a way of making the CPR unit fun, shown here in her favorite picture with Annie.

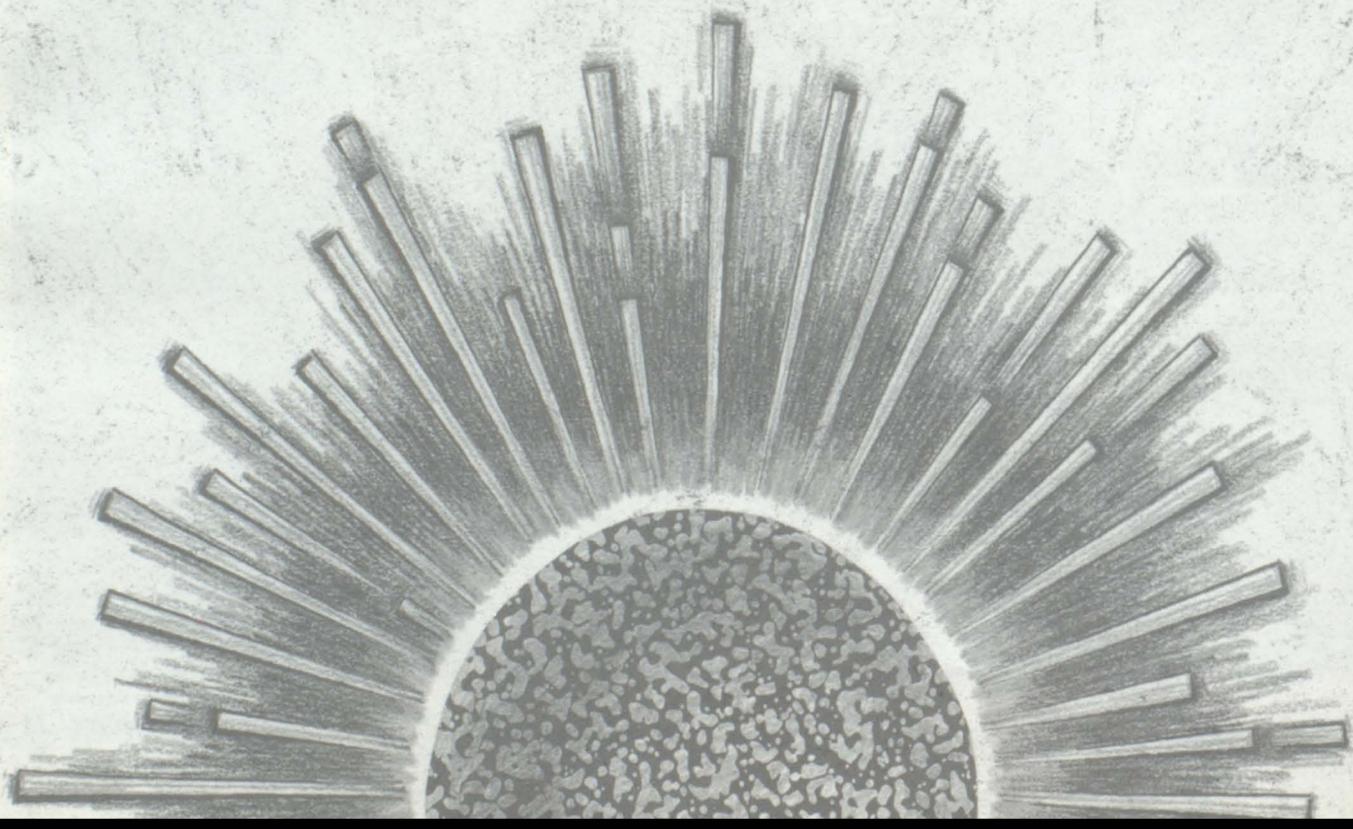


Right: After school you could always find her tallying laps of students running.

Right: Merrilee Sonju sits peacefully at her home.



Organizations





1996-1997 TARGET GROUP MEMBERS

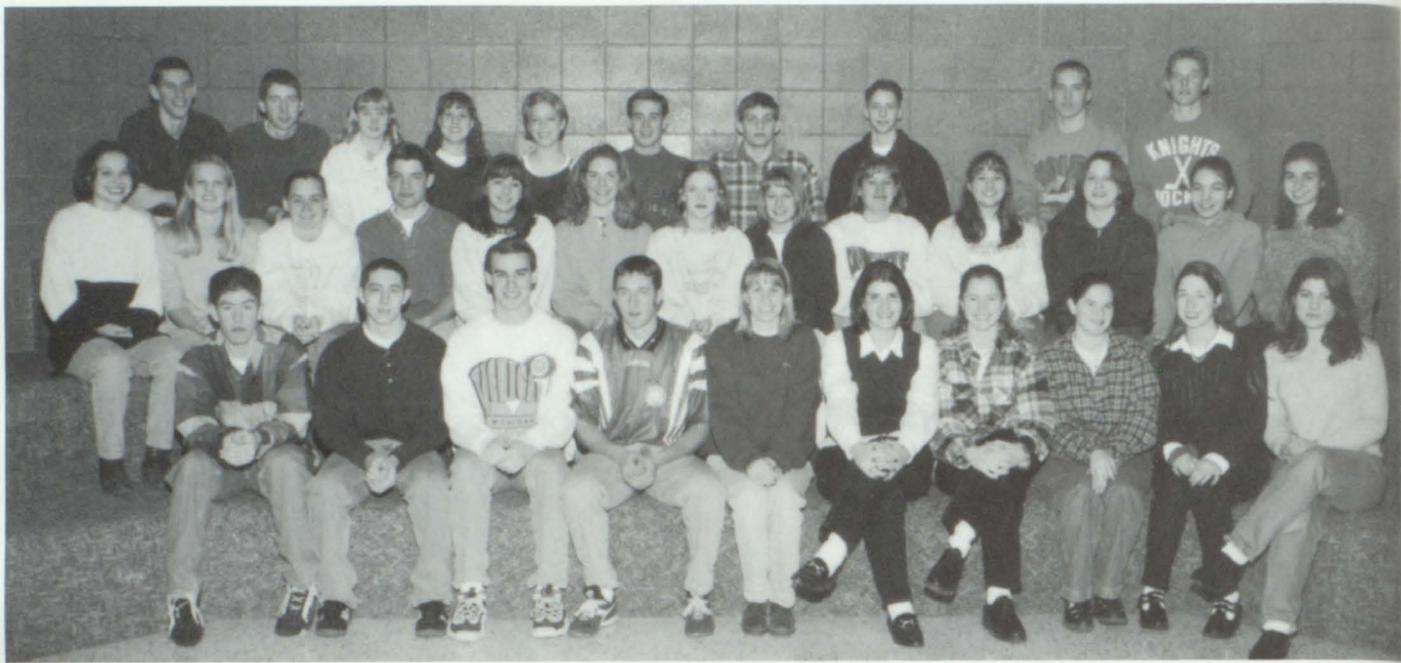
Target: *First Row (L to R):* Mike Hauge, Aaron Martin, Chad Vossen, Tony Lefebvre, Teresa Sampson, Angela Valerius, Crystal Hemann. *Second Row (L to R):* Mike Cunningham, Ben Husom, Nicole Lefebvre, Mariel Grossinger, Mike Jaeb, Anna Lebsock, Mike Barthel, Dave Beck, Jessica Heckman.

Creating Positive Role Models At STMA

The Target Leadership program is beginning its first year at St. Michael-Albertville High School. Members were selected by coaches and advisors based on their leadership qualities. The organization helps to develop positive role models through our school. The main purpose of the program is to reduce the use of drugs and alcohol through chemical free activities planned throughout the year. One of these was the trip made to the younger grades in our community. During these sessions, the younger students learned about the effects of drugs and alcohol. They were also given the opportunity to ask the Target group members any questions that they may have about high school life in general. These and other similar activities were the result of weeks of planning and meeting. When the work is done, Target members also take time to get to know each other better. A close, exciting Timberwolves game and a Super Bowl party were just some of the fun activities they planned for this year.

Target Philosophy

- **We believe** that strong student leadership can help students set goals, resist influences to use chemicals, and reward safe and healthy behavior.
- **We believe** that students can play a powerful and positive role in helping to prevent chemical use problems among their classmates.
- **We believe** that students can play a significant role in helping classmates who are experiencing chemical use problems to find professional and compassionate support and treatment.
- **We believe** all student leaders can be encouraged and assisted to be chemically free role models for their peers, regardless of past choices and behavior.
- **We believe** that positive student leadership is a key component of any school or community prevention effort.
- **We believe** that the school administrators are in a key role to influence policy development and provide support for student leadership to emerge.



1996-97 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY MEMBERS

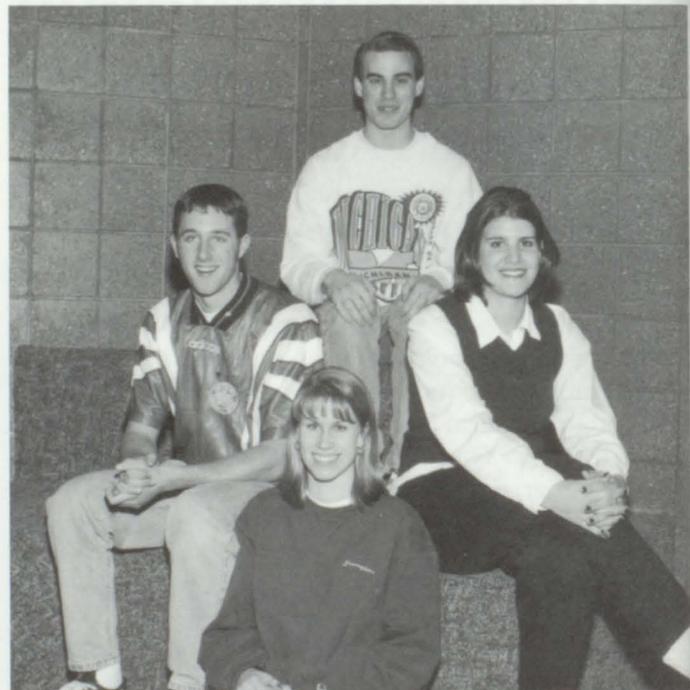
National Honor Society: *First row (LtoR):* Mike Hauge, Aaron Martin, Chad Vossen, Tony Lefebvre, Rachel Becker, Jennie Koshenina, Teresa Sampson, Jill Dehmer, Angela Valerius, Lacy Cagle. *Second row:* Nicole Lefebvre, Mariel Grossinger, Carrie Polaschek, Michael Zachman, Burnadette Dybvik, Kathryn Lindenfesler, Anna Lebsock, Sienna Ruter, Angela Kolles, Rachel Vetsch, Megan Wittenberg, Jessica Heckman, Ann Schmidt. *Third row:* Dave Beck, Thomas Ryan, Sara Palo, Andrea Elfstrom, Nessa Eull, Aaron Aurzada, Mike Barthel, John Beranek, Chris Volkman, Joe Pope.

Character- This involves being a top role model for your school. NHS members have pride in their school, and show respect for themselves and fellow students in every way.

Scholarship- Members must maintain a certain GPA throughout their high school years and always make academics a top priority.

Leadership- Members are leaders, not followers. They take turns heading up various school and community activities.

Service- Many services and activities that are available to STMA students are sponsored by NHS. These include donuts on Tuesdays, and Homecoming & Winter Week festivities. NHS also serves the community in areas like recycling bins in classrooms, the Adopt-A-River program, Toys 4 Tots, the March food shelf drive, and spending time with the Senior Citizens.



Above: Executive Officers (*From Top*): Chad Vossen (President), Tony Lefebvre (Treasurer), Jennie Koshenina (Secretary), Rachel Becker (Vice-President).

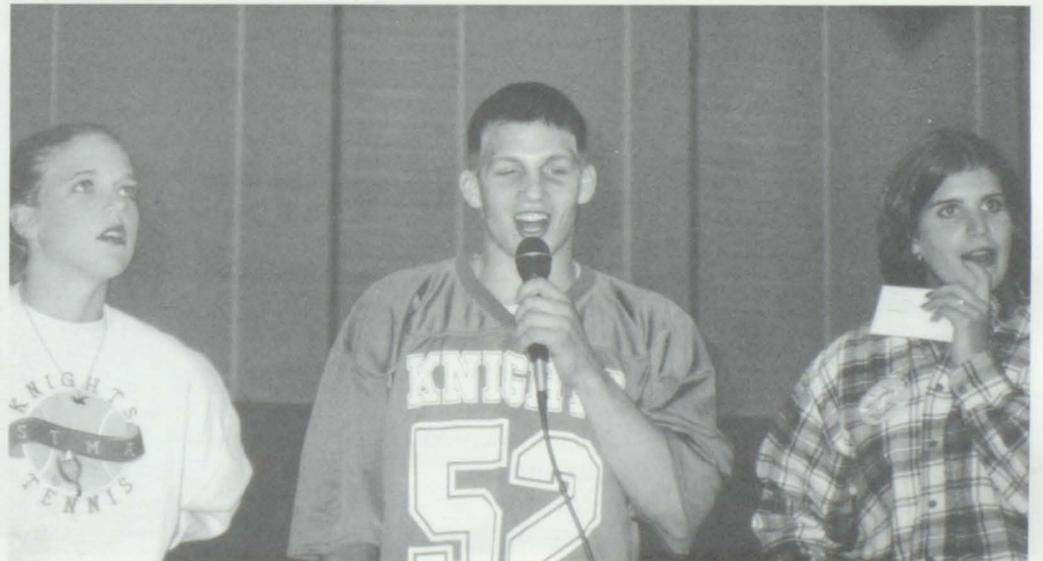
MAKING OUR FUTURE SHINE...

National Honor Society



Left: Could it get any better than this? Nicole Lefebvre, Angela Kolles, Rachel Becker, and Lacy Cagle make the Crow River a little cleaner.

Below: NHS Induction is a very important part of being a member. Here, last year's new inductees recite the pledge after lighting their candles.



Left: It looks as if Chad Vossen is quite proud of the amount of trash he collected for the Adopt-A-River program.

Above: Anna Lebsock, Mike Barthel, and Jennie Koshenina emceed Battle of the Classes during Homecoming Week.



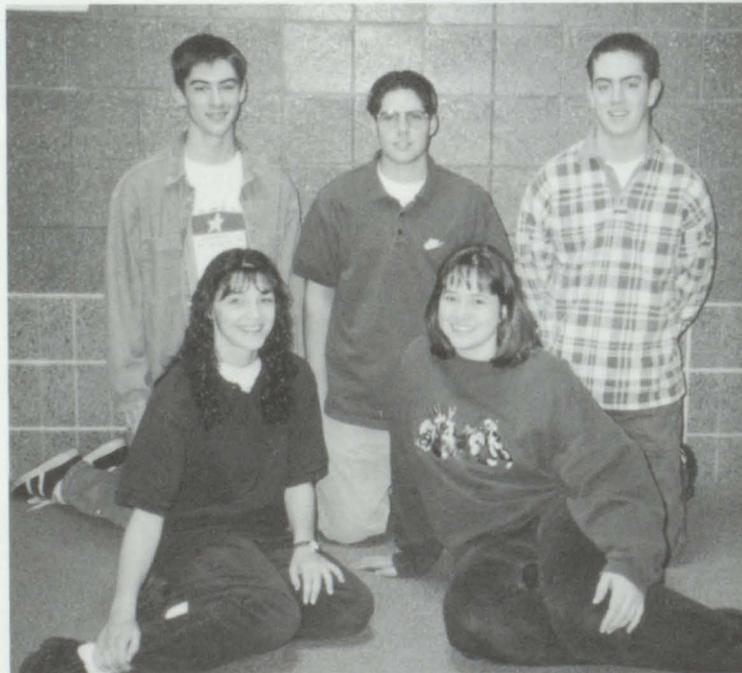
1996-97 R.A.K. MEMBERS

Random Acts Of Kindness: *Front row (L to R):* Chad Vossen, Tony Lefebvre, Curt Zachman, Shawna Beaudry, Andrea Elfstrom, Rachel Vetsch, Lacy Cagle. *Second row:* Mrs. Lynch, Kelly Radunz, Joleen Brown, Maureen Vetsch, Melissa Picha, Leah Marx, Katie Lindenfelser, Heidi Rademacher, Matt Christensen. *Third row:* Joel Dehmer, Aaron Aurzada, Jared Beaudry, Ryan Clover, Luke Zachman.

Random Acts of Kindness

R.A.K. is a positive group made up of various individuals from each grade. These members have organized the annual clothing drive which was very successful. This year there was a parked STMA district van in the front parking lot which was full of clothing donated from students and community members. R.A.K. also organized a Fun Day for the students that included activities like skiing, tubing, movies, bowling, and in school activities.

This year R.A.K. also participated in Camp Koininea. At this camp, several schools interact in activities that help them to learn about relationships, drugs, and other subjects that interest most teenagers. The members then use this information to help students who are having trouble in these areas.



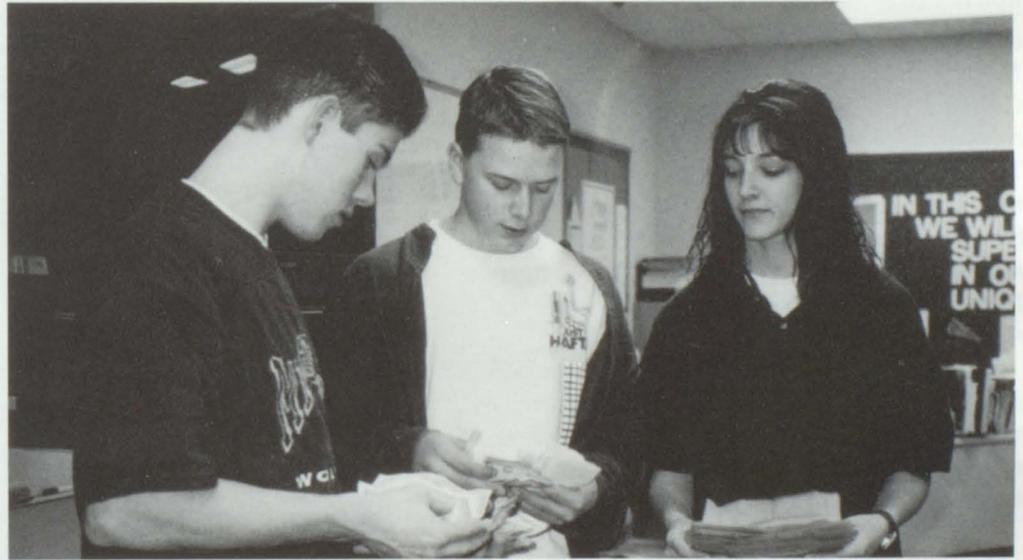
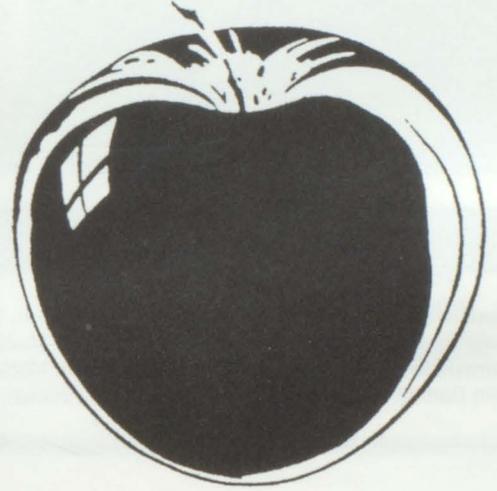
R.A.K. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

R.A.K. Executives: *Front:* Shawna Beaudry (Treasurer), Rachel Vetsch (Vice President). *Back:* Luke Zachman (Secretary), Matt Christensen (Treasurer), Joel Dehmer (President).

Random Acts of Kindness



Left: Curt Zachman, Matt Christensen, Ryan Clover, and Luke Zachman take a break after the hard work of loading the van for the clothing drive.



Left: Curt Zachman poses for the camera while other R.A.K. members load the van for the clothing drive held during November.

Above: Mike Hauge, Curt Zachman, and Shawna Beaudry count money for the Fun Day held in February.



1996-97 STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council *First row (L to R):* Maureen Vetsch, Travis Zachman, Derek Brant, Jane Lindenfelser, Kim Hackenmueller, Nikki Hemann. *Second row (L to R):* Erin Spaeth, Jessica Wagner, Joe Martin, Pam Hackenmueller, Crystal Hemann, Curt Zachman. *Third row (L to R):* Mrs. Berning, Burnedette Dybvik, Katie Lindenfelser, Mike Jaeb, Monica Haller, Jessica Hite, Becca Lindenfelser. *Fourth row (L to R):* Tony Lefebvre, Chad Vossen, Mike Barthel, Shane Long, Steph Litzau, Erin Anonen.

Among the many yearly planned activities like the Welcome Back Lunch, Teacher Appreciation Day, Student Appreciation Day, Tulip Planting, Adopt-A-Family, the Halloween Costume contest, Trick-or-Can, and many of the dances, the Student Council has been very busy. These twenty-four student leaders also put together many new activities this year like Deck the Halls, Penny Wars, computerized dating service for Valentine's Day, the Thirty-Hour Famine, and the opening of the new school store, "The Knights Nook."

Throughout the year, the Student Council also attends weekly meetings, recycles cans in the school, makes signs for events, and decorates their bulletin board with words of encouragement.

Through all of these activities, each member works to make the school and the world a better place to live.



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

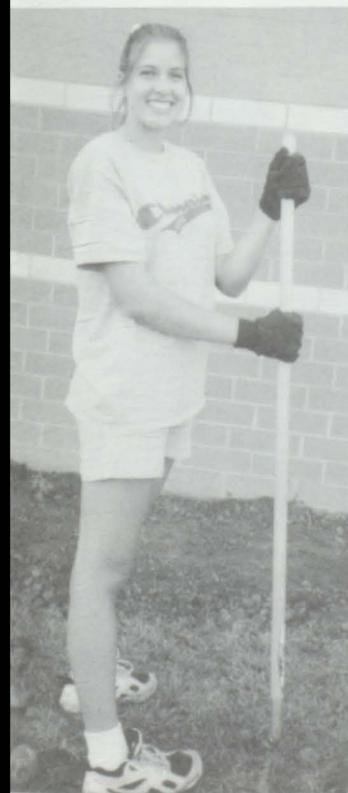
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL: *Front Row (L to R):* Katie Lindenfelser (Secretary), Jessica Hite (President). *Back Row:* Crystal Hemann (Treasurer), Monica Haller (Vice President).

MAKING SCHOOL A BETTER PLACE TO BE...

Student Council



Left: Nikki Hemann, Maureen Vetsch, and Jessica Hite make last minute preparations to open up the Knights Knook.



Left: Erin Spaeth posing for a picture after planting Tulips around the school.

Above: The Freshman hall was decorated with lights and decorations after the Deck the Halls contest took place.



YEARBOOK STAFF

Yearbook: *Front Row:* Alexis Roden, Leah Marx, Jennie Koshenina, Heather Partridge, Jessica Heckman, Ann Schmidt. *Middle Row:* Ms. Westerlund, Heide Slinde, Beth Callander, Tara Gillette, Tracy Hennen, Mariel Grossinger, Kate Becker. *Back Row:* Jessica Hess, Sarah Holm, Shawna Beaudry, Matt Christensen, Curt Zachman, Luke Zachman.

Putting together a yearbook feels like a race. The staff begins working on the book in mid-September and that's when the race starts. Whipping through pictures and scribbling words down on paper just to meet deadlines is all a part of the thrill of yearbook. Each person needs to add their unique ability to make the yearbook great. Whether that be in writing, cropping pictures, or layout design, everyone contributes. There is also the constant threat of deadlines, so many late nights and even a few Saturdays are required to produce the book you hold in front of you!

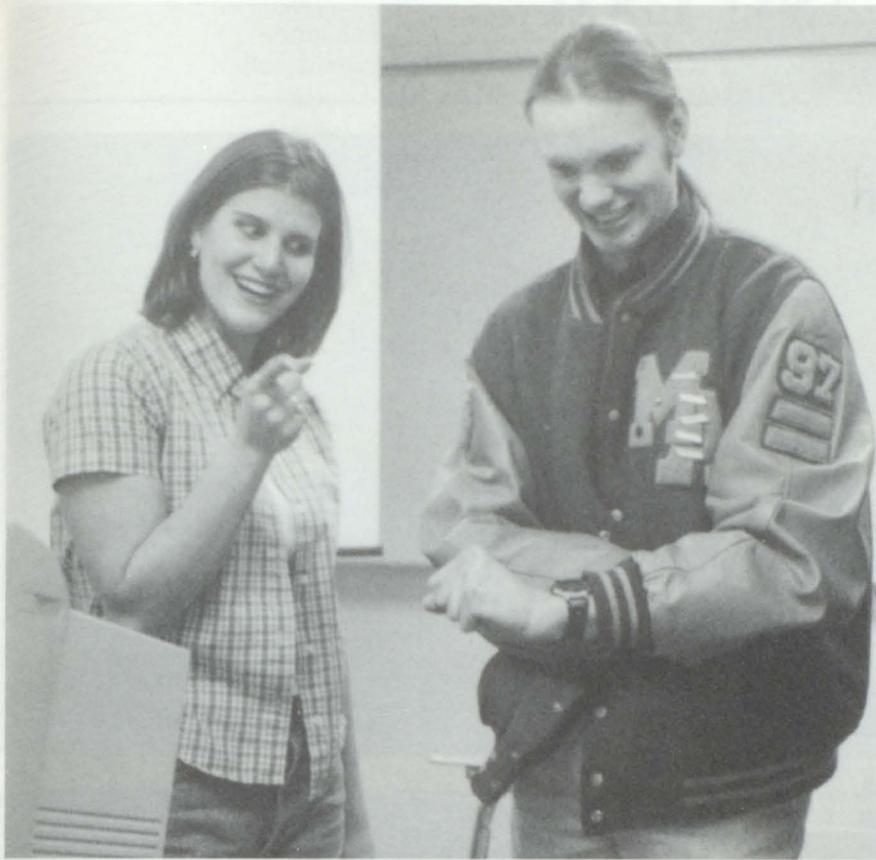


THE EDITORS

Editors: *Front Row:* Jennie Koshenina and Tara Gillette. *Back Row:* Kate Becker and Jon Murphy.

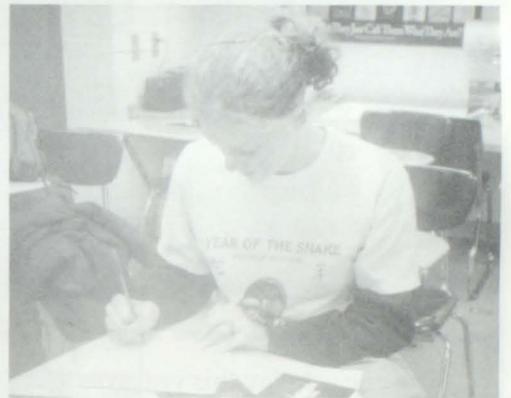
PUTTING THE PIECES TOGETHER...

Yearbook



Left: The senior editors, Jennie Koshenina and Jon Murphy, are racing the clock in order to get the yearbook finished on time.

Below: Sara Blagsvedt is doing her part by writing an article and getting one step closer to the end.



Left: Curt Zachman is looking through pictures and deciding which ones should be used for the yearbook.

Above: Emily Zachman and Alexis Roden are working hard to finish a page in the yearbook before the next deadline.

No Exit

One-Act Play

Right: Inez (Anna Lebsock), Garcin (Jared Kolles), and Estelle (Meagan Kittridge) argue over how they will all live together.

Below: Meagan Kittridge played Estelle, a character obsessed with her self image.



The one act play this year was 'No Exit.' It centered around three people who are sent to hell for various reasons. As the play goes on, the characters tell their stories and begin to find out the others' weaknesses. After a lot of fights, they realize they are stuck together and will have to be in hell with each other forever.

Although this play didn't advance to state competition, it had a powerful message and the actors were all challenged by their roles. All members were proud to be part of this project.

ACTORS

Meagan Kittridge- Estelle
Jared Kolles- Garcin
Anna Lebsock- Inez
Sarah Stern- valet

DIRECTOR

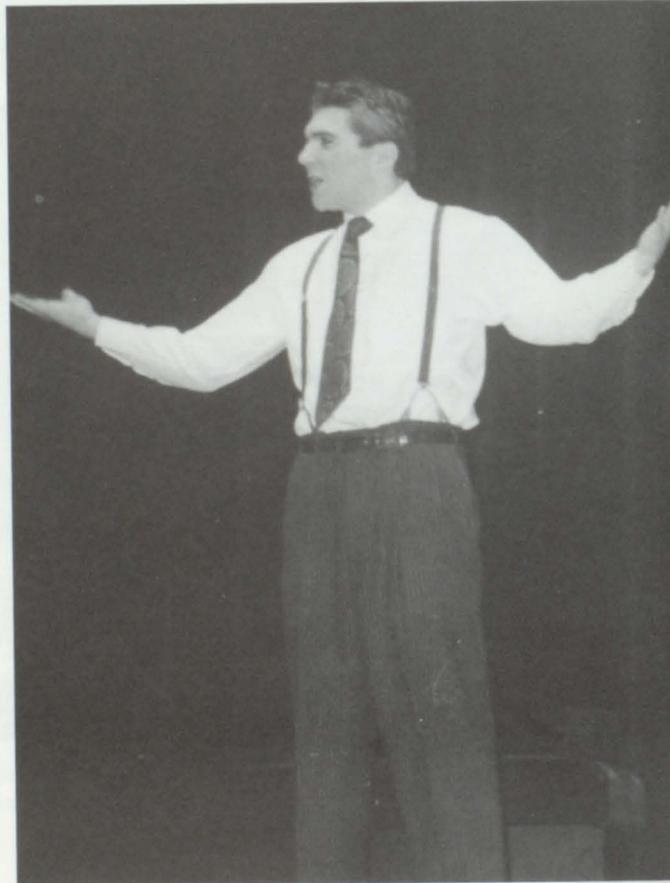
Melissa Fieckert

ASSISTANT DIRECTORS

Rachel Vetsch
Irina Volkova

TECH

Jon Murphy



Right: Garcin (Jared Kolles) is confused about why he must live in hell with these people.

Speech Team Members 1997

- Sara Holm
- Meagan Kittridge
- Jared Kolles
- Anna Lebsock
- Rosemarie Lindsay
- Sarah Stern
- Rachel Vetsch



Below: Rosemarie Lindsay memorizes her part for the dramatic duo category.



Above: Anna Lebsock recites her lines with excitement while practicing for her dramatic duo.



Speech

Although the Speech team at our school isn't a large one, the students involved make it quite exceptional. Speech may seem confusing, however, to one that is not in it.

First off, students pick from a wide variety of categories such as Informative, Dramatic Duo, Story Telling, Humorous, Great Speeches, or Poetry. Each one is unique in their own way. After a category has been selected, and often times changed throughout the season, members work with coach Melissa Fieckert after school to perfect their speech. Then once they are ready, members compete with other schools in front of judges on Saturdays.

Because Speech members work on their speeches individually, it is possible for them to achieve a high potential and succeed in many competitions. In Speech, there is definitely a little something something for everyone, no matter what kind of a speaker you are.

Right: The guards Aaron Aurzada, Luke Zachman, Curt Zachman, Brandon Vetsch, and Matt Christenson roll in to pick up Mrs. Anna and her son.



Below: "It's extremely important to be committed to anything you do from start to finish. Throughout practice you should not only be committed to yourself, but also to the whole cast."
-Jared Kolles



Above: The Royal wives and children bow after they were presented to Mrs. Anna (Jessica Olson).

"The King and I"

A SHINING PERFORMANCE BY ALL...

Left: Princess Tuptim (Anna Lebsock) and Luntha (Josh Fornelli) sing together as they struggle to be lovers in the play.

Below: "The more time you put into what you're shooting for, the more it pays off in the end... Towards the end of practices, everyone is like a big family." -Jessica

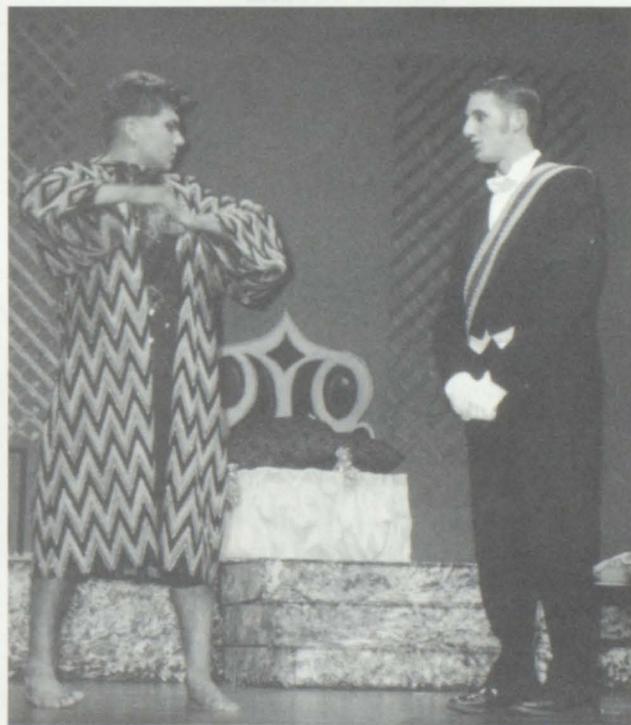


This fall, the 1860's and the Siamese culture were relived right on the stage of STMA High School. The musical gave the public four splendid evenings of wonderful performances, exciting action, and witty humor. The play became one of the most exciting events of the 1996 school year. Months of long rehearsals and never-ending preparations faced the determined actors, singers, musicians, and crew. Cast members met

their task with hard work and perseverance.

Thanks to the enormous effort and time devoted by the cast, crew and especially the directors Jan Lefebvre, Ron Sass, and Melissa Hanson, "The King and I" was a huge success. The pit who also put in countless hours of hard work was directed by Joel Anderson.

Everyone who participated should be very proud. Their efforts created a wonderful show with many memories.



Left: King Simon of Legree (Derek Wood) terrifies the audience during the ballet.

Above: The King (Jared Kolles) and Edward (Tony Lefebvre) talk about the dinner.



Micah Zahler, 10th

The Little Things

Too often we don't realize,
 what we have until it's gone.
 Too often we wait too late to say,
 "I'm sorry. I was wrong."
 Sometimes we hurt the ones,
 we really do love.
 And all the stupid things,
 that tear us apart.
 Take time to say the words,
 before the time is through.
 Be sure you appreciate,
 everything you have got.
 And be thankful for the little things,
 in life that mean a lot.

Nikki Jensen, 12th

Cancer of Hate

A voice cries out from under
 the once calm and collected one,
 beginning soft, growing to thunder,
 the malice burns like fire and begins to run

unforgivingly the force eclipses all senses,
 turning and twisting, creating pain inside,
 singeing the heart, the mind, creating fences,
 piercing the thoughts it turns to hide

sleeping and dreaming it takes a nap,
 dormant and silent no one knows,
 then comes an explosion quick as a snap.
 Hate is released, finally exposed.

flames devour his heart, spreading,
 he could not stop it, if he would try,
 he keeps on raging, not dreading
 that of this tempest he might die.

a shadow is left but all is not there,
 the rest was consumed by the force
 of his wrath, 'cause he could not bare
 to live without anger and show remorse.

Pete Lefebvre, 11th





Bill Sampson, 10th

Autumn

My life is filled with shades of red,
orange, and brown.
The colors of my background show
through,
as the way they did with my ancestors.

Imagine me walking through the grassy
plains,
the piney filled forest,
Barefoot.

The earth seeps through my toes as i
wander along the crystal blue lake.
Each color distinct, bright, and bold.

Joleen Brown, 9th

A Voyage of Life

Boarding a ship to unknown new lands,
Seeking adventures in crossing the sea,
Not a problem or worry, a newly found
dream.

Restlessness and rough waters lying ahead,
The horror of making mistakes,
Leaving obstacles at hand and decisions to
make.

Passage of time brings the destination in sight,
Arriving at last, calmness sets in,
Peace has come to this ling voyage in life.

Angela Kolles, 11th

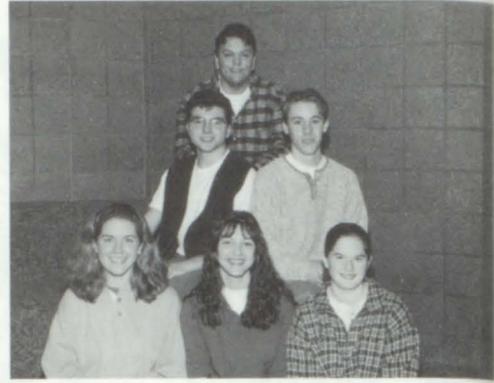


Teresa Sampson, 12th

A Band For All Seasons



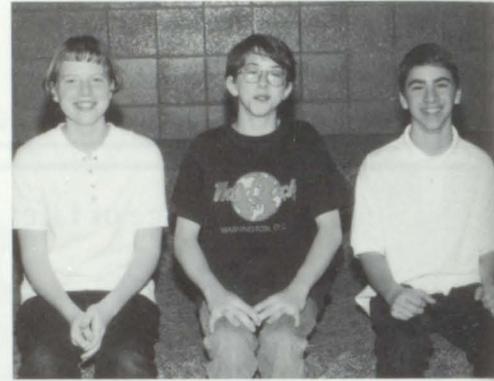
Wind Ensemble: 1st Row (L to R): Rose Stenglein, Cara Marx, Jessica Corbin, Janine Klaers, Melissa Picha, Kim Suckow, Hillary Koehler, Jill Dehmer, Carrie Polaschek, Anna Lebsack, 2nd Row (L to R): Christine Williams, Amber Zachman, Heidi Dorumsgaard, Laura Bistodeau, Alice Savitski, Melissa Weber, Miranda LaFrance, Curt Zachman, Shawna Beaudry, Andrea Elfstrom. 3rd Row (L to R): Kari Bjork, Nathan Zachman, Charlie Koch, Amber Rasmussen, Sharon Griffin, Andrea Phillips, Ross Perry, Leah Marx, Mike Karlstad. 4th Row (L to R): Ryan Clover, Dennis McAlpine, Andrea Hesse, Ben Dawson, Matt Christensen, Brandon Vetsch, Jason Heuring, Kelly Radunz, Luke Zachman, Rachel Vetsch, Nick Zahler. 5th Row (L to R): Mr. Anderson, Jared Kolles, Tara Christopherson, Justin Gilles, Sara Blagsvedt, Dustin Wacker, Katie Lindenfesler, Jeff Redning



Council for Wind Ensemble: 1st Row (L to R): Katie Lindenfesler (President), Shawna Beaudry (10th Grade Representative), Jill Dehmer (11th Grade Representative). 2nd Row (L to R): Jared Kolles (Vice President), Dennis McAlpine (Secretary). 3rd Row (L to R): J.B. Bourelle (12th Grade Representative).



Concert Band: 1st Row (L to R): Breonna Zahler, Nikki Hemann, Shelley Vetsch, Maureen Vetsch, Brittani Wegner, Jessica Vetsch. 2nd Row (L to R): Kim Hackenmueller, Derek Fore, Mandy Lubke, Sarah Pichler, Heidi Rademacher, Jenny Bjork, Sarah Lindenfesler. 3rd Row (L to R): Travis Zachman, Tony Falbo, Ryan Justen, Josh Fornelli. 4th Row (L to R): Adam Plantenberg, Jeff Kolles, Steven Steele, Tessa Lenneman, Mr. Anderson



Council for Concert Band: Breonna Zahler, Steven Steele, Travis Zachman.



Jazz Band: 1st Row (L to R): Adam Plantenberg, Jared Kolles, Derek Fore, Katie Lindenfesler. 2nd Row (L to R): Steven Steele, Nick Zahler, Tony Falbo, Justin Gilles, Sharon Griffin, Kari Bjork, Kim Hackenmueller, Nathan Zachman. 3rd Row (L to R): Ryan Clover, Ben Dawson, Carrie Polaschek, Matt Christensen, Travis Zachman, Rachel Vetsch, Jason Heuring, Luke Zachman, Ryan Justen, Josh Fornelli.

Energy and excitement was brought to select home games by the Pep Band. They come out to have fun with a sense of pride. For band director Joel Anderson and his students, Wind Ensemble and Concert Band are more than a class. It is a commitment that takes long hours of practice and persistence to perfect their music for concert appearances.

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 7:00, the Jazz Band meets. This band is a select group that spends a majority of their time learning more difficult music, while enjoying themselves at the same time.

A Choir For All Reasons



Concert Choir: 1st Row (L to R): Alie Huie, Heather Roddy, Shannon Chew, Anna Lebsock, Nicole Jensen, Sara Cossette, Melissa Picha, Amie Dellwo, Stephanie Hulting. 2nd Row (L to R): Tohnya Paulson, Melissa Wozney, Jessica Olson, Sara Morgan, Barbara Anonen Angela Jensen, Katie Kalupa, Chrystal Rasmussen, Louise Blanchet, Brooke Bechtold, Jennifer Haller. 3rd Row (L to R): Jessica Carlson, Mary Edeburn, Heather Partridge, Mickyla Krueger Emily Worner, Brooke Jakubiec, Tony Underwood, Dan Duncan, Tom Diederich, Jason Becker, Tony Falbo, Andrea Phillips, Hillary Koehler, Billie Edeburn, Katie Lindenfelser. 4th Row (L to R): Amy Glauner, Shawna Ganger, Mike Gnoit, Kurt Bistodeau, Jeremy Barthel, Westley David, Aaron Aurzada, Tracy Hennen, Melisa Whaley, Nicole Lindenfelser.



Concert Choir Council: 1st Row (L to R): Jessica Olson (Vice President). 2nd Row (L to R): Melissa Wozney (Treasurer), Anna Lebsock (President), Melissa Picha (11th Grade Representative). 3rd Row (L to R): Westley David (12th Grade Representative), Tom Diederich (9th Grade Representative), Tohnya Paulson (10th Grade Representative), Shannon Chew (11th Grade Representatives).



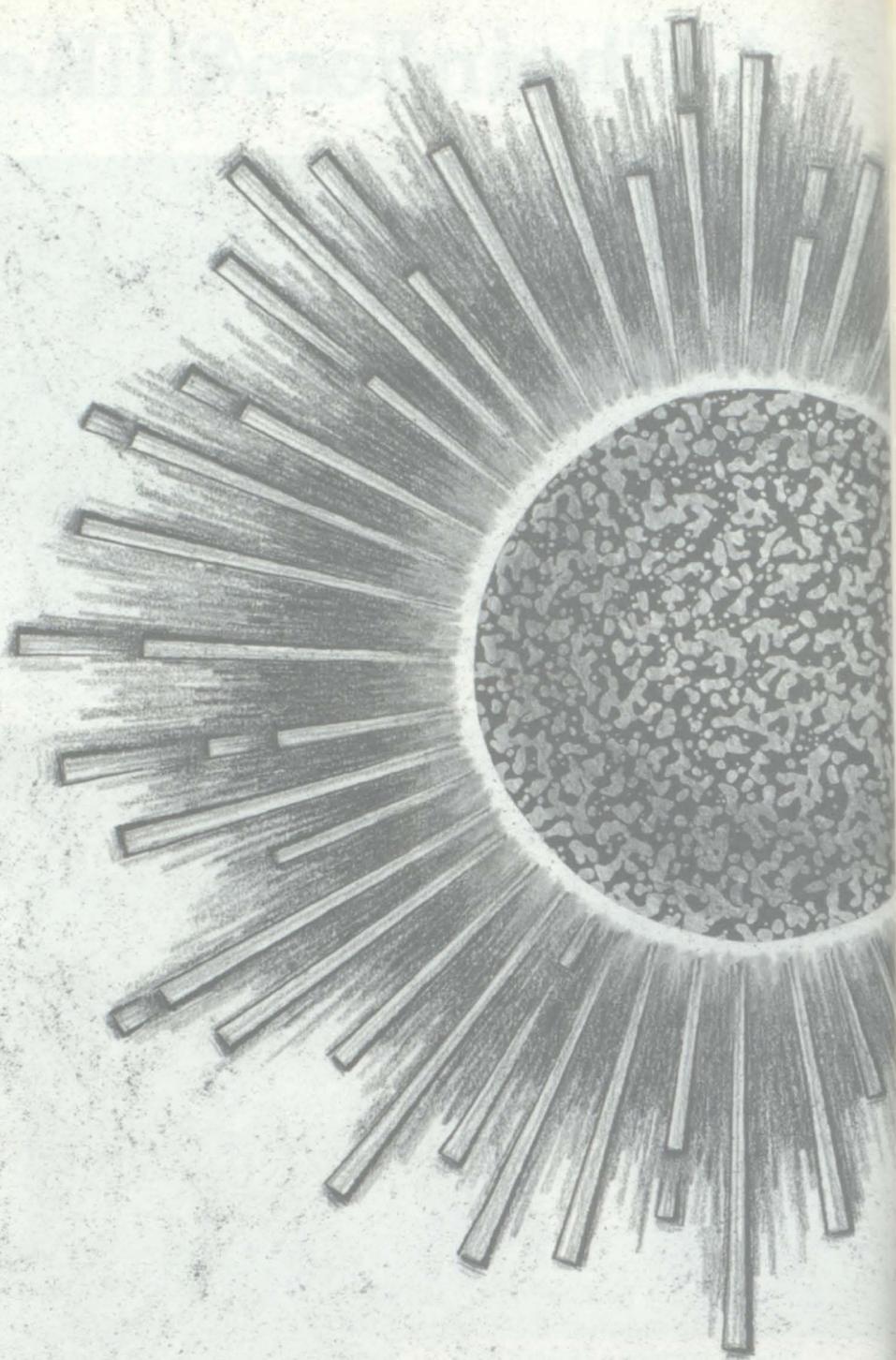
Women's Choir: 1st Row (R to L) Jessica Evermann, Jillian Tallman, Nikki Sieber, Janell Erkkila, Carissa Breun, Ann Ouellette. 2nd Row (L to R) Amber Langford, Cari-Ana Bloberger, Sarah Sellers, Emily Christenson, Alison Sellers, Sarah Trebesch, Jane Lindenfelser, Joleen Brown, Kate Christensen, Michelle Kleist, Sarah Hanson. 3rd Row (L to R): Alexis Roden, Jean Prokott, Mary Westerlund, Heidi Rademacher, Bridget Eliason, Jenny Weber, Jill Haller, Amy Kasper, Theresa Shovelain, Katherine Lidberg.



Women's Choir Council: (L to R): Sarah Hanson, Sarah Trebesch, Jillian Tallman, Kate Christensen, Sarah Sellers.

The choir undertook some new changes this year as Director Melissa Hanson stepped in to lead the program. She has worked hard to make choir fun and exciting in order to lure in new members. The choir is growing bigger and bigger every day.

The Concert Choir and Women's Choir perform a holiday concert in December and a March concert. Many of the concerts have put together Triple Trio groups as an addition to the large group choir. Some special times are when the choir performs at coronation, graduation, and contests. The beautiful sound set forth from the choirs is a wonderful collaboration of the many talented students in our school.



Sports

Let's Go Fans!

The fans are part of the big picture at a school event. They're there to show support for the team. Never losing the pride they have in their team and school shows that STMA students are **STRONG!**

Below: Amber Johnson, Brooke Bechtold, Steph Hulting, and Amie Dellwo stop to pose for the camera while showing their school spirit at a pep fest.



Above: Knights mascot (Derek Laney) and cheerleader Marie Mariotti cheering the Cross Country team on to victory.

Right: Senior fans cheer on their grade at the Homecoming Battle of the Classes.



Right: Angelique Youngdahl keeps a steady pace throughout her race.

Below Right: Terra Dahlheimer looks on with determination as she pulls ahead.

Right: Mr. Ketel cheers the Knights on while taking a break from his timing.

Below: Jessica Heckman and Heidi Rademacher compare stats at a meet.



Above: Derek Wood and Joe Lynch work hard to stay ahead of the pack at the Becker meet.

Right: Varsity runners: Dave Beck, Derek Wood, Joe Lynch, Nathan Zachman, Tony Falbo, Trevor Vossen, and Martin Robeck capture the Subsection 5A Championship.



Cross Country

Boys

	Us	Out Of
Milaca	3	14
Rockford	1	12
Norwd./Y.A.	5	15
Princeton	7	56
Sartell	5	8
Bg.Lk./Beck.	2	6
STMA	1	11
WC Conf.	1	7
S. Subs.	1	8
Section 5A	4	11



BOY'S TEAM: (L to R) Front row: Bob Spence, Phil Zander, Nick Koshenina, Nathan Zachman, Joe Briggs, Drew Tuomisto. Middle row: Emily Christenson (Manager), Keith Eull, Adam Plantenberg, Trevor Vossen, Martin Robeck, Derek Poye, Tim Bienias, Adam Hesse, Jennifer Bjork (Manager). Back row: Coach Beck, Tony Falbo, Derek Wood, Joe Lynch, David Beck, Michael Johnson, Mike Karlstad, Coach Johnson.

Girls

	Us	Out Of
Milaca	10	15
Rockford	8	12
Nrwd./Y.A.	9	14
Princeton	33	57
Sartell	8	8
Bg.Lk./Beck.	5	6
STMA	5	11
WC Conf.	6	7
S. Sub.	4	7
Section 5A	10	11



GIRL'S TEAM: (L to R) Front row: Emily Christenson, Heidi Rademacher, Lauri Grambart, Tina Lidberg, Terra Dahlheimer, Jennifer Bjork. Middle row: Kari Bjork, Elizabeth VanDrasek, Angela Helfert, Irina Volkova, Katherine Liberg, Elaina Bagrova. Back row: Coach Johnson, Jennifer Dietrich, Mariel Grossinger, Angelique Youngdahl, Jessica Heckman, Janna Hagen, Coach Beck.

You Can

Below: Mariel Grossinger fixes her hair after a long run.



Above: Dave Beck tries to catch his breath after a good race.

It's another beautiful summer day. The weather report foretells highs in the 80's. You figure, "I'll get up around eleven and then head for the beach," right? This is quite untrue for a cross-country runner. Beginning in early August, it's rise and shine, and be at the school by 8 A.M. for practice.

The practices, of course, are everyone's favorite. The runners highly enjoy numerous miles, halves, and occasional quarter-mile repeats. In fact, they are often disappointed when they learn that Mr. Beck only has a few miles on the road planned for the day's practice.

The boy's team, led by seniors, Derek Wood and Dave Beck, had a successful season. The team placed very well in all their meets, including two firsts at the WCC meet and sub-section. Also junior Nathan Zachman, sophomore Trevor Vossen, and freshmen Joe Lynch, Tony Falbo, and Martin Robeck composed the varsity team.

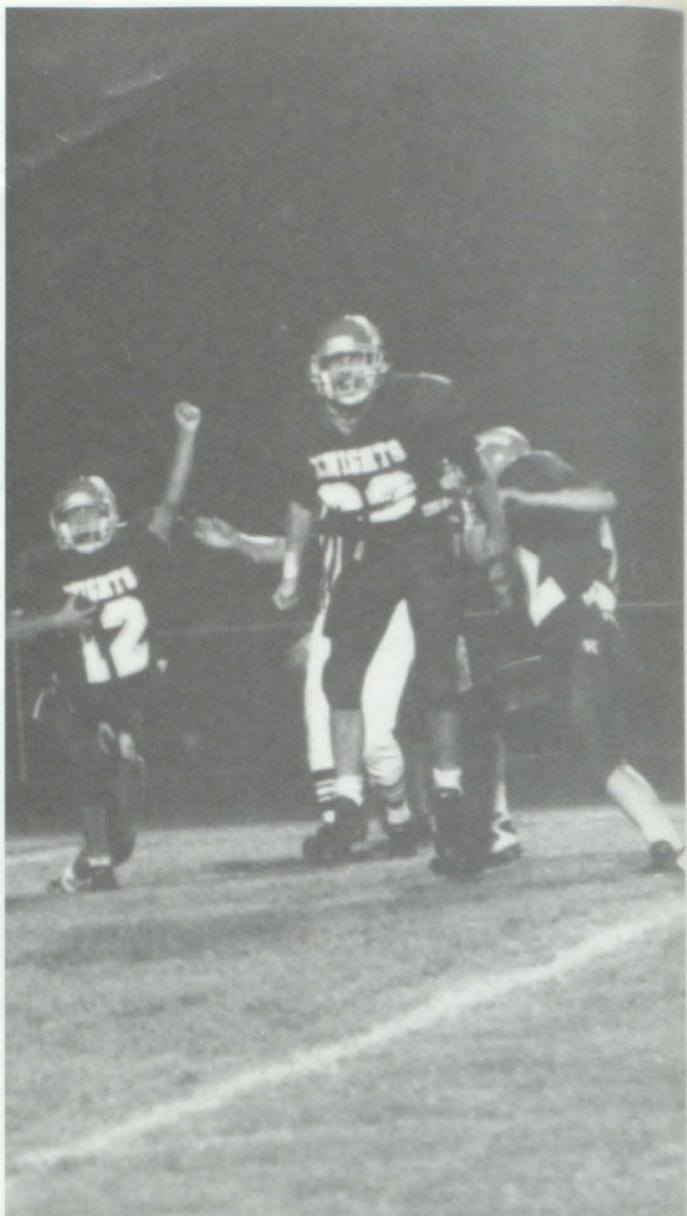
The girl's team had no returning seniors, so juniors Mariel Grossinger, and Jessica Hackman obtained the captain position. The team, still very young, contained great talent, with junior Elaina Bagrova, sophomores Terra Dahlheimer and Angelique Youngdahl, freshman Heidi Rademacher, and eighth grader Lauri Grambart shaping the varsity team.

Right: Peter Lefebvre, Cody Martin, and Mike Jaeb celebrate after a well deserved touchdown.

Right: Peter Lefebvre escapes a tackle while going for a touchdown.

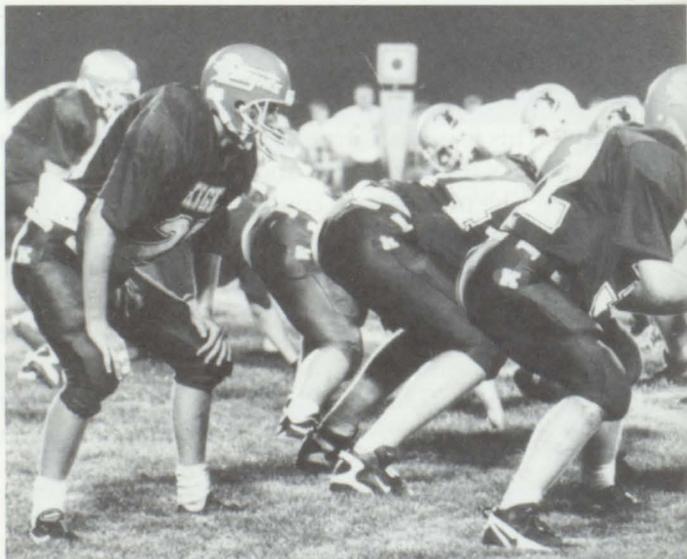


Below: Michah Haeckler and other Knight's offense clear a path for Cody Martin, as he attempts a touchdown.



Above: Coach Bauman gives a short pep talk to rally up the players.

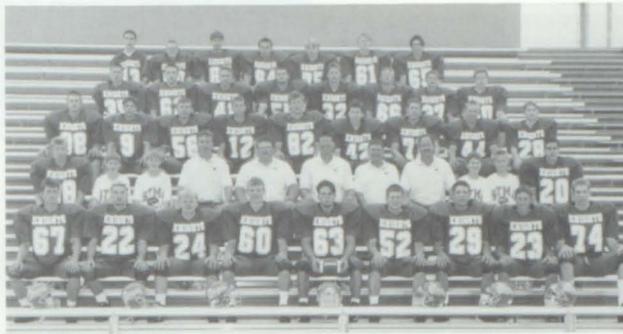
Right: Tony Lefebvre, Dave Keizer, Joe Pope, and others get ready for another play.



Football

Varsity

	Us	Them
Paynesville	22	18
Glencoe	19	21
Waconia	14	7
Rockford	16	12
Delano	0	7
Dass-Coka	7	14
Annadale	28	6
Watertown	12	14
Piere	21	14
Becker	10	0
Holdingsford	35	40



VARSITY (LtoR) 1st row: Dwain Pearson, Cody Martin, Brian Dawson, John McCoy, Shane Long, Mike Barthel, Ben Husom, Tony Lefebvre, Dave Keizer. 2nd Row: Mike Hauge, Brian Heglund, Kevin Heglund, Asst. Coach Norby, Asst. Coach Berning, Coach Bauman, Asst. Coach Walter, Coach Anfenson, Dan Christianson, Pat Bjork, Mike Cunningham. 3rd row: Chris Spaeth, Dave Vetsch, Randy Schmidt, Pete Lefebvre, Nate Helgeson, Mike Jaeb, Andy Zachman, Chris Volkman, Pat Collins. 4th row: Joe Martin, Adam Hartner, Nick Karlson, Michah Haecklar, Joe Pope, Justin Gilles, Nate Dahlheimer, Brain Bammert. 5th row: Justin Korteum, Mitch Potter, Jason Heuring, Jesse McLennan, Travis Barthel, Jezreel Erkkila, Joey Cobb.



NINTH GRADE (LtoR) 1st row: Eric Dick, Scott Weber, Jeremy Barthel, Jeff Partridge, Marty Hackenmueller, Dan Anonen, Travis Zachman, Ryan Sieg. 2nd row: Tom Diederich, Adam Praught, Chad Zachman, Coach Hahn, Coach Hertwig, Aaron Barthel, Joey Zachman, Theron Yantes. 3rd row: J.J. Zoller, Ben Polaschek, Jimmie Lee, Jason Becker, Jared Lindenfelser, John Becker, Johnny Barthel, Derek Brant, Ben Dehmer, Jordan Schneider.

"You Can Quote Me On That..."

WHAT WILL YOU MISS THE MOST ABOUT PLAYING FOOTBALL AT STMA?

"The coaches and the witty jokes."
-Ben Husom

WHAT IS THE HARDEST THING ABOUT BEING IN FOOTBALL?

"All the time and effort you put into it and trying to keep up with school."
-Mike Barthel

WHAT WAS YOUR MOST MEMORABLE GAME, AND WHY?

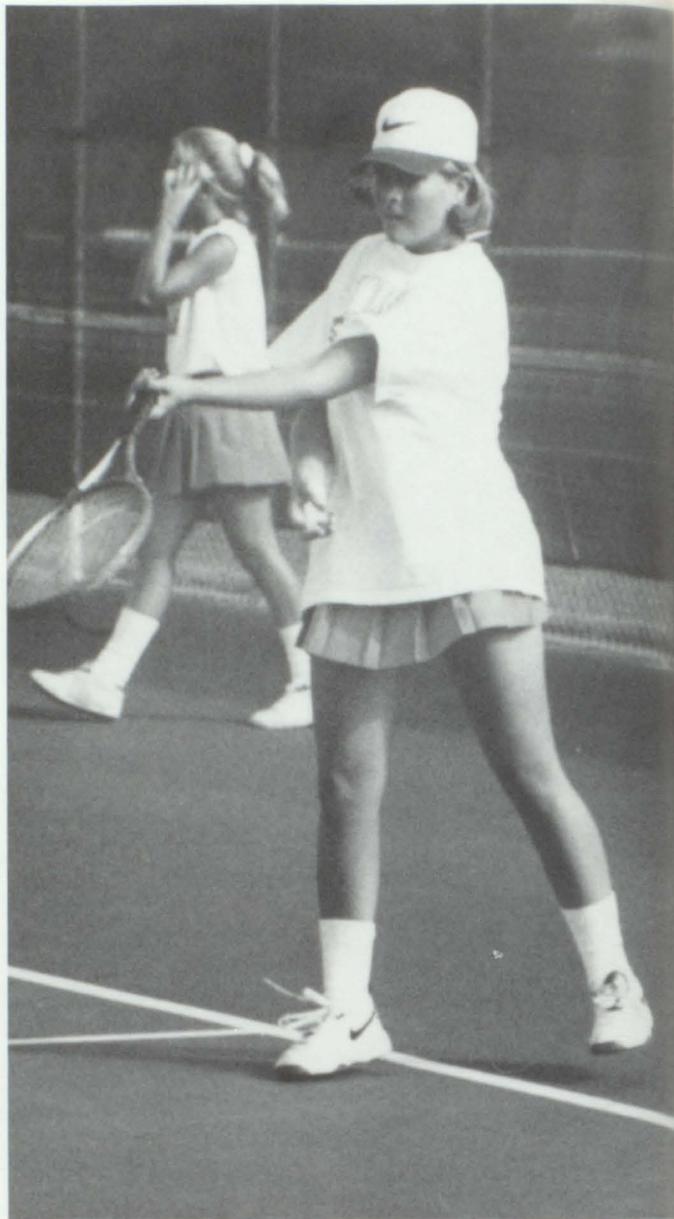
"Against Waconia; I yelled and cheered so much that I got pneumonia."
-Mitch Potter

WHO HAD THE MOST TEAM SPIRIT?

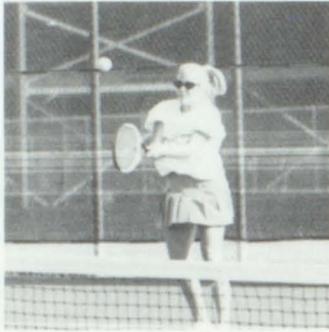
"Chris Spaeth - Watch his celebrations!"
-Dave Keizer

The Knight's Football Team had a great season this year. They had a record of six wins and five losses, and also placed second in conference. The Knights are proud of this season, and they should be. "We had a lot of injuries and sicknesses, but it all came together in the end," said Couch Bauman. As the seniors approached the end of their last season at STMA, they'll never forget their most memorable game and moment, their well deserved victory against Becker. "A playoff shut out," replied Coach Bauman.

Right: Jessica Wagner shows good form during her match.



Right: Emily Worner successfully returns a serve.

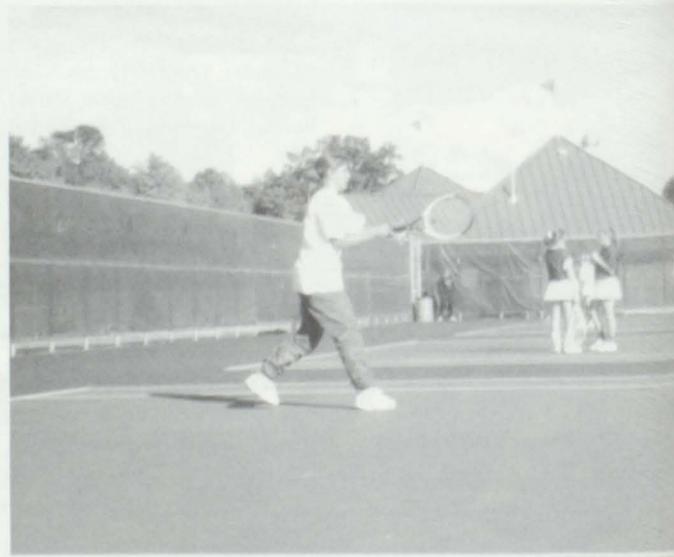


Below: Anna Lebsock and Jessica Wagner are ready to take on their opponents.



Above: The Varsity team looks cold, but eager to challenge their opponents.

Right: Sarah Eull completes a smooth serve.



Tennis

Varsity

Visitor: Them: Us:

Chisago L.	4	3
S.P.L.	3	4
Amery	2	5
Mahtomedi	6	1
Sauk Cent.	2	5
Osakis	5	2
Yellow Med	3	4
Monticello	3	4
Buffalo	4	3
N. Branch	5	2
Princeton	1	6
Centennial	2	5
Mora	6	1
Mound West.	2	5
Glencoe S. L.	2	5
Minehaha Ad.	5	2
Delano	0	7
Mound West.	2	5
Cathedral	1	6

First Round Sub-Section

Becker	0	7
Orono	1	6



Varsity (LtoR) *Front row:* Erin Anonen, Nicole Lefebvre, Katie Pichler, Sara Eull, Emily Worner, Amy Lefebvre, Anna Lebsock. *Second Row:* Michelle Kleist, Brenda Vetsch, Erin Spaeth, Coach Mashuga, Coach Riles, Kelly Radunz, Wendy Angus, Jessica Wagner.



Junior Varsity: (LtoR) *First Row:* Krista Myrom, Lindsay Johnson, Katie Christensen, Maureen Vetsch, Emily Zachman, Lisa Lenneman. *Second Row:* Shelley Vetsch, Melissa Trettin, Alice Savitski, Mandy Lubke, Sarah Hanson, Sarah Trebesch, Nikki Hemann. *Third Row:* Angie Johnson, Rose Stenglein, Sarah Sellers, Coach Brian Mashuga, Cari-Ana Bloberger, Brittani Wegner, Lucy Bursey.

Below: Kelly Radunz warms up before her match.



Above: Nicole Lefebvre returns the ball in order to score a point against her opponent.

Starting practice in the beginning of August, the Girls Varsity Tennis team had their second most winning season in STMA history. Under the leadership of senior captain Erin Anonen, the team received the All Conference Academic team award, and Mr. Riles, the head coach, was voted Best Coach in the conference. A highlight of the season was beating Amery at the beginning of the season. Amery eventually went on to the State Tournament which shows the power of STMA tennis. With the help of teammates like Anna Lebsock and Jessica Wagner, who had the most wins as a double team in STMA tennis history, the tennis program has come a long way, and is looking even better for the future.

Right: Steph Litzau ready and willing to receive the ball.



Right: Jessica Hite goes up for a kill against the opponent.



Below: Angie Becker saving the day for the Knights as she blocks a spike.



Above: Becca Lindenfelser with a great spike to earn the point for the Knights.

Right: Molly Lubke setting for Becca Lindenfelser to attempt a spike.



Volleyball

Varstiy

	Us	Them
Glenco-Sl.Lk.	0	3
Buffalo	0	3
Rockford	3	0
Sauk Rapids	1	3
Waconia	3	0
Big Lake	3	1
Wtr.Twn.My.3	0	0
Becker	0	3
Annandale	1	3
Chaska	0	3

Subsection 18A	Tour.
Sarthell	3 0
St.Cld. Cathd.	3 1
Big Lake	3 2

Section 5A	
New Lond.Spc.	0 3



Varsity: (LtoR) First Row: Bev Becker, Candice Barthel, Jodi Haller, Teresa Sampson, Angela Valerius, Sienna Ruter. Back Row: Coach Anderson, Steph Litzau, Dion Vetsch, Angie Becker, Heidi Braunwarth, Becca Lindenfelser, Jessica Hite, Molly Lubke, Coach Rue.



Junior Varsity: (LtoR) First Row: Jolynn Barthel, Anette Raker. Second Row: Pam Hackenmueller, Brooke Jakubiec, Crystal Hemann, Angela Valerius, Sienna Ruter. Third Row: Jodi Zachman, Trisha Holm, Shawna Beaudry, Melissa Weber, Amber Zachman, Coach Rue.



Ninth Grade: (LtoR) First Row: Brianna Bechtold, Chrisi Armstrong. Second Row: Krystal Praught, Tia Elliott, Jeannine Kasper, Elizabeth Lynch, Amanda Valerius. Third Row: Coach Joyce Catlin, Jane Lindenfelser, Jackie Radunz, Amanda Reemts, Rachel Joeb, Kim Hackenmueller, Manager Tessa Lenneman.

VOLLEYBALL PULLS TOGETHER ...

The Volleyball team had a very successful season this year. They placed second in the conference with an excellent record.

"Despite all the changes, the girls worked really hard and showed a lot of determination," said Coach Anderson.

One of the most memorable games for the team was the championship game against Big Lake. They were down 7-14 in the 5th game, and with fantastic team work they came back and won. The Knights were led by Seniors Steph Litzau, Candi Barthel, Jodi Haller, and Teresa Sampson.

There were many changes for the team this year with the new coach, but the team finally started to pull it together at the end of the season when it was most important. "I think the program will be very strong next year and in years that follow with our new techniques," commented Steph Litzau. "I am really going to miss the closeness of our team."

Fall Cheerleaders, *Back row:* Tanya Adams, Candice Weber. *Middle row:* Nessa Eull, Marie Mariotti, Barb Anonen, Robyn Jacobson. *Front row:* Monica Haller, Marissa Walker. *In Center:* Sir Michael of Albert (Derek Langley).

Quotes

How do you like having the new mascot?

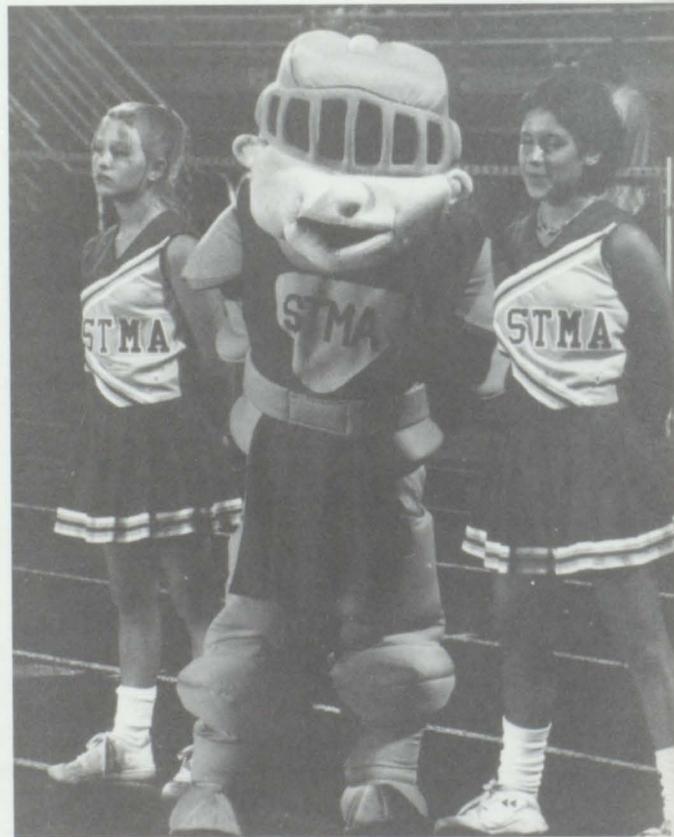
"It's good because the crowd participates, and gets more involved with the cheers."

-Tanya Adams



Above: The football cheerleaders line up for the playing of the National Anthem.

Right: Nessa Eull shows off her spirit at an exciting pep fest.



Right: Candice Weber, Derek Langly (mascot), and Monica Haller support the football team in their winning season.



Above: **Pep Club Members**, front row: Alison Sellers, Sarah Pichler, Angie Bammert, Katie Christenson, Laura Barthel. Back row: Bridget Eliason, Sarah Sellars, Shelly Vetch, Maureen Vetch, Nicki Hemann, Nicole O'Donnell, Sandy Lubke.

Below: Alison Sellers helps out the Knight Shift by hanging up locker signs.

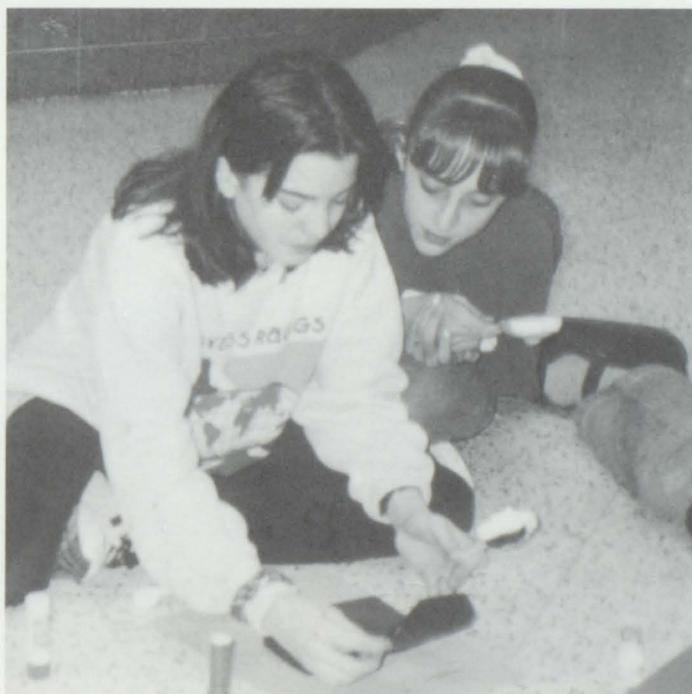


Knight Shift Creates the STMA School Spirit

Despite the fact that the Pep Club was just recently formed at the end of the winter sport season, there was a real effort put into it during the short time they had to work.

Some of the things that the Knight Shift did to show their spirit was the making of locker signs, cheering, motivating fans at games and meets, and encouraging school and team support. They were well received and help to create a winning atmosphere at all the game they attended

Even though the Knight Shift started off well this year, they are still looking forward to, and anticipating more new members, next year. The Pep Club is a fun, inexpensive way to cheer on your team and make new friends.



Above: Laura Barthel and Nicole O'Donnell put the finishing touches on the STMA signs.

Winter Cheerleaders Help To Keep the Spirit Flying

The winter cheerleaders worked very hard this season. They kept the crowd lively through rough times and cheered their teams on in the good times. This year all four squads worked together for a performance show during some of the wrestling and basketball games by putting together a pyramid and other little stunts. These squads pulled together nicely.

The cheerleaders also held a couple of pep fests to show support to all their teams and cheer them on. They had many successful practices with the help of their coaches Chris Holstad and Amy Johnson. Overall they did a job well-done and kept the school and team spirits soaring.



Above: Angie Jensen, Barb Anonen, and Nessa Eull, cheer their hockey team to victory.



Hockey Cheerleaders, Top Row: Sarah Morgan, Barb Anonen, Tara Gillette. Bottom Row: Nessa Eull, Angie Jensen, Robyn Jacobson.



Boys Basketball Cheerleaders. Top Row: Patty Jo Huey, Beth Callendar. Bottom Row: Jane Lindenfelser, Andrea Hesse, Amber Vetch, Meagan Kittridge.



Below: The wrestling cheerleaders show their spirit after their team wins the state competition.



Wrestling Cheerleaders. Back row: Marie Mariotti, Candice Weber, Katie Pichler. Front Row: Terra Pahlheimer, Marissa Walker, Jennifer Haller.



Girls Basketball Cheerleaders. Standing: Britani Wagner, Amy Karlson, Jenny Weber. Floor: Sarah Pichler.

Above: All the winter cheerleaders work together in a big performance to show their support for all the winter sports.

Winter Cheerleaders Help To Keep

Right: Cody Martin looks for an open teammate while escaping the defense.

Right: Chris Spaeth takes a shot for the Knights.



Below: Dave Beck escapes defense to make a basket.



Above: Mike Jaeb hustles to catch the opponent to steal the ball.

Right: Justin Balfany takes a shot over everyone to make a 2 pointer.



Boys Basketball

Varsity

	Us	Them
Becker	61	39
Milaca	60	66
Rockford	55	63
Prior Lake	67	64
GFW	62	65
LCWM	64	66
KMS	69	49
Paynesville	56	51
Annandale	52	46
Dasl.-Cok.	54	44
Watertown	57	73
Delano	68	53
Waconia	52	88
Glencoe	59	53
Annandale	52	57
Glencoe	68	72
Dasl.-Cok.	85	64
Watertown	50	87
Delano	73	79
Waconia	46	55
CHOF	68	44
Rockford	46	50
Subsection		
Watertown	41	43



VARSITY: (L to R) 1st Row: Josh Beatty, Mike Hauge, Jarett Weber, Erik Lundeen, Mike Jaeb, John Beranek. 2nd Row: Ryan Dietrich, Cody Martin, Joel Dehmer, Pete Lefebvre, Chris Volkman, Justin Balfany, Dave Beck. 3rd Row: Coach Mike Barthel, Coach Gary Walter, Chris Spaeth, Justin Korteum, Coach Tim Anfenson, Coach Tim Hochstedler.



JV TEAM: (L to R) 1st Row: Nick Koshenina, Adam Hesse, Joe Martin, Brandon Vetsch, Kevin Williams, Micah Zahler, Jeric Zachman. 2nd Row: Mike Renken, Ryan Papa, Robbie Wilkins, Coach Mike Barthel, Coach Gary Walter, Coach Tim Hochstedler, Mike VanHeel, Jason Heuring, Trevor Vossen.

Below: Mike Hauge eyes the court for an opportunity to score.



Above: Mike VanHeel uses his height and abilities to make a shot.

Basketball Team Offers Many Fun and Exciting Games This Winter Season

Close games were the trademark of the Knights in the 1996-97 season. Many games came down to the final minutes of the fourth quarter. The Knights finished the year (10-13) after a heartbreaking defeat at the hands of Watertown-Mayer. They lost by two points in the final seconds.

The season was highlighted by big wins at Glencoe-Silver Lake and Annandale at home. It was a tough year for STMA, they had to overcome injuries and illnesses to many key players throughout the season. The team will lose seniors Cody Martin, David Beck, Mike Hauge and Justin Balfany, but return key players at every position.

Right: Sienna Ruter boxes out while Angie Stream goes up strong for two points.

Right: Lisa Rutten pushes her way through two tough opponents for two points.



Below: Angie Becker attacks Delano to make an unexpected steal with the help of Sienna Ruter.



Above: Stephanie Litzau is wide open for an easy two points.

Right: Sienna Ruter was playing quick and tough against a Delano guard.



Girls Basketball

Varsity

Us Them

B.C.	44	22
Waconia	29	41
Rockford	33	52
Becker	47	40
Maple Lake	57	46
Cathedral	21	54
Edison	66	32
Big Lake	23	46
Annandale	29	51
D.C.	42	51
Watertown	56	39
Delano	44	69
Waconia	56	61
Glencoe	33	52
Orono	30	56
Annandale	42	59
Glencoe	37	53
D.C.	34	58
Royalton	26	38
Watertown	68	40
Delano	49	62
Rockford	44	66
Rockford	37	44

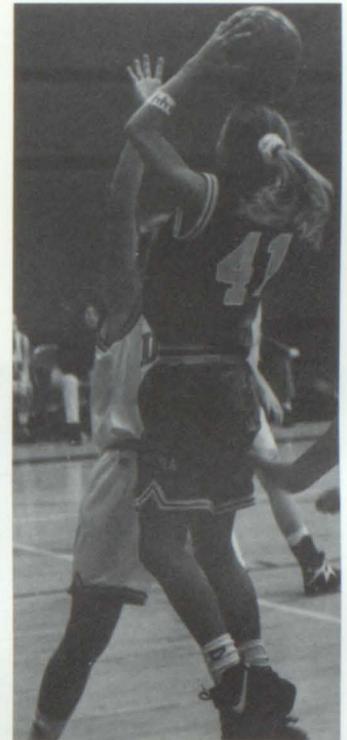


VARSITY: (L TO R) Front Row: Andrea Elfstrom, Gina Hasse, Sara Palo, Sienna Ruter, Angie Becker, and Jessica Hite. Back Row: Lisa Sukalski, Stephanie Litzau, Lisa Rutten, Angie Stream, Kelly Radunz, Teresa Sampson, Candice Barthel, and Jenny Zachman.



JUNIOR VARSITY: (L to R) Front Row: Jackie Radunz, Missy Fehn, Jessica Wagner, Tayra Lenneman, and Shawna Beaudry. Back Row: Mr. Hoffman, Catherine Callahan, Alicia Fenske, Jenna Stangler, Erin Spaeth, and Rachel Joebs.

Below: Lisa Rutten goes up strong for a jump shot



What was your favorite part of this basketball team?

"With six returning seniors, it helped everyone adapt to the changes in the new season. What impressed me the most was that no matter how long of a season we had, everyone stuck together."

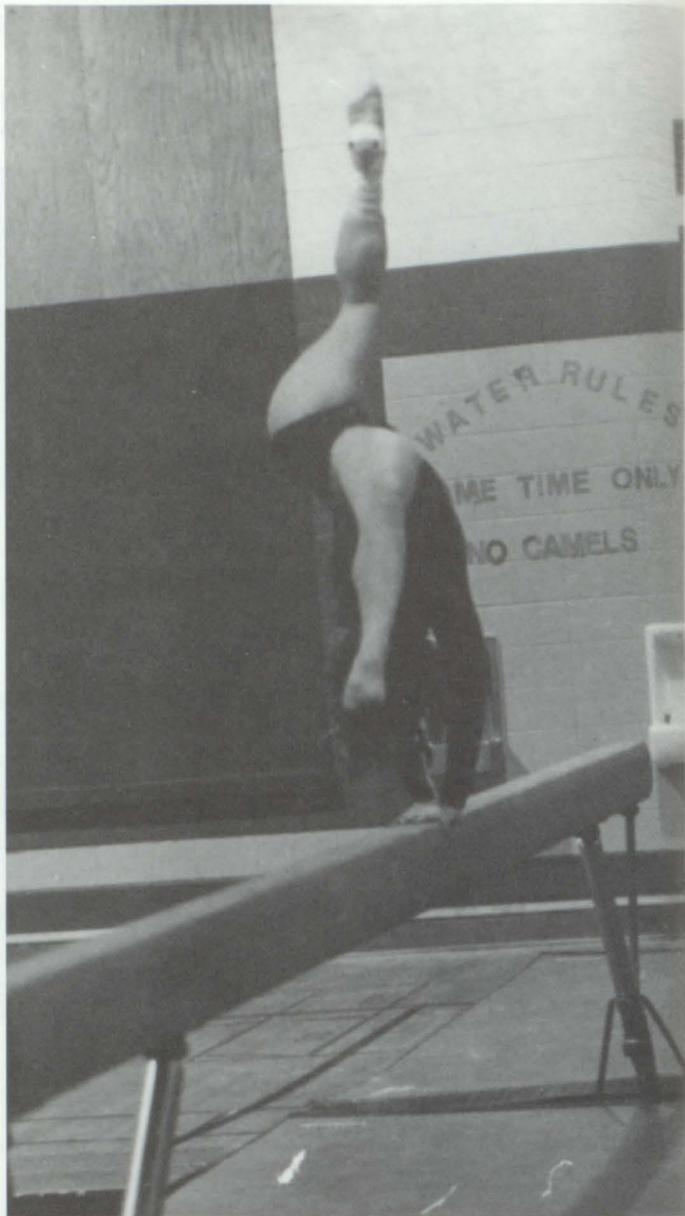
-Angie Stream

After taking a leave of absence, returning coach Mrs. Sukalski brought new and exciting changes to the Knights season. It was a long, difficult season for the Knights, but nobody wanted to cash in their uniforms early. They never gave up hope even when the odds were against them. After previously losing to the Rockford Rockets by 22 points, the whole team came out with confidence and fought till the last seconds of the game. Unfortunately, their season ended against the Rockets, but all of the players felt as though they had played the game of their lives, and had something to be proud of.

Right: Tanya Adams performs a back walkover as part of her high beam routine.

Right: Looking eager to move on to their next event, captains Amy Hackenmueller and Crystal Hemann look on with anticipation.

Below: Sophomore Tanya Adams decides to practice her beam routine on the low beam first.



Above: Junior Liz Lidberg must think quickly on the bars.

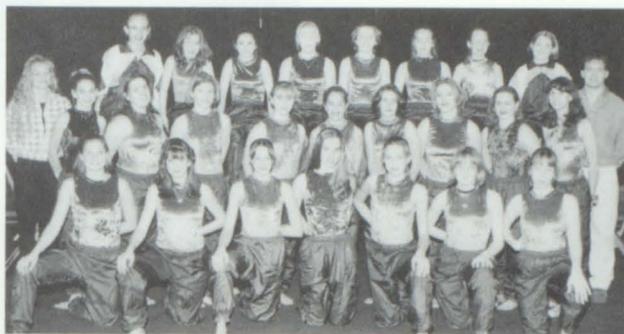
Right: Senior captain Amy Hackenmueller prepares for her next exciting move on the bars.



Gymnastics

Varsity

	Us	Them
Delano	85.8	97.55
Kimball	123.85	115.6
Buffalo	101.8	131.6
Rockford	124.65	117.55
Maple Lake	122.8	114.7
GSL	122.05	123.15
Watertown	126.55	135.6
Big Lake	117.3	138.75
Dasl.Cok.	122.9	113.2
Annandale	122.8	121.95



VARSITY SQUAD: (Lto R) 1st Row: Crystal Hemann, Miranda Joyce, Jessica Kolles, Kristina Kluge, Tiffany Farr, Monica Valerius, Jessica Hess. 2nd Row: Coach Dianna, Sarah Lucan, JoLynn Barthel, Micky Krueger, Sandra Ladwig, Amy Falbo, Amy Stine, Liz Lidberg, Amy Hackenmueller, Lindsay Cavanaugh, Coach Tory Trapp. 3rd Row: Hillary Plantenberg, Erica Coffey, Lori Lindenfelser, Tracy Adams, Tanya Hackenmueller, Tanya Adams, Ashley Branstad, Ashley Olmshed.

Below: Because it is her last year, senior Amy Hackenmueller has reason to smile about chalking up for the last time.



The women's gymnastics team finished their season with a five and six record. This was a great achievement for the team. Hard work with a combination of fun is what the season consisted of this year.

Gymnastics had a good showing at regions despite an injury to Liz Lidberg. The team made a season goal to reach 124 points, but their highest team score was 128.45- only four points over their goal.

Amy Hackenmueller is the only senior the team will lose, but she will definitely be missed. The captains for the 1996-97 team were Crystal Hemann, Amy Hackenmueller, and Jolynn Barthel.

At the banquet, it was announced that Tanya Adams was the most improved, Liz Lidberg was the most valuable, and Crystal Hemann was the hardest worker. Crystal Hemann, Jolynn Barthel, and Liz Lidberg were also named to All Conference. The whole team is looking forward to starting another season next year!



Above: Tanya Adams laughs about having to put on her protective gear before she performs her routine.



Right: Justin Pino contributed to the season by making many goals.



Right: Tony Hanson races for the gliding puck.



Below: Captain Randy Schmidt leads the hockey team to many victories.



Above: Mike Scharber gets into position for the next play.

Right: Brent Eull and teammates fight for a STMA win.



Hockey

Varsity

Us Them

Orono	1	5
Brooklyn C.	0	4
New Ulm	2	3
Monticello	3	3
Col. Heights	5	1
Annandale	5	4
Spooner Wis.	7	1
Brooklyn C.	2	5
Pine City	2	3
Delano	2	0
Cathedral	0	5
Long Prairie	1	3
Little Falls	3	5
Chisago Lakes	2	6
Pine City	4	3
Litchfield D.C.	0	4
N. Branch	10	2
Cathedral	0	5
Mpls. Edison	3	0
Lesuer	0	6
Annandale	3	4
Delano	4	3
Annandale	4	5



Varsity Hockey, Back Row (L to R): Coach Jared Gasper, Thad Bloberger, Joey Cobb, Jay Hanf, Michael Johnson, Nate Helgeson, Joe Pope, and Coach Brian Mashuga. Middle Row: Brent Carron, Nick Carlson, Ben Dehmer, Randy Schmidt, Mike Scharber, Andy Dehmer, and Ben Lee. Front Row: Justin Pino, Tony Hanson, Mike Henry, Joe Goth, Brent Eull, and Grant Mosher.

The Knight's hockey team was lead by captains Joe Pope and Randy Schmidt, both juniors who also happen to be the leading scorers, with Michael Johnson not far behind. The team played well for having an illness sweep through the team leaving them at times with just enough players. The only senior this year was goalie Brent Carron who had an excellent season. He helped the team out by saving many shots. The hockey team's record for the 1996-1997 season was 8-14-1.

Below: While watching for the puck, Tony Hanson dominates his opponent.



Above: Joe Goth avoids his opponent while fighting for the puck.

Left: STMA's hockey team challenges their opponent to a well-played game.

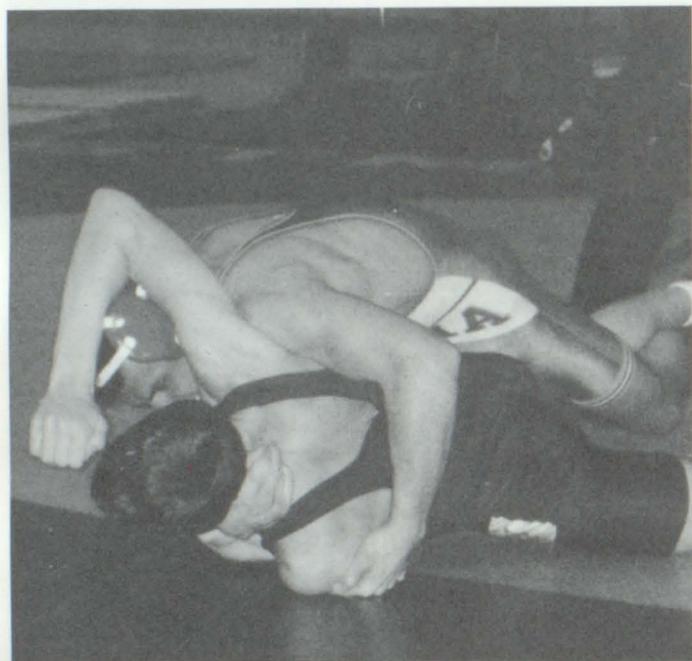


Knights Clinch Second Consecutive State Title!

Right: The wrestlers hoist Coach Greeno after leading them to victory.



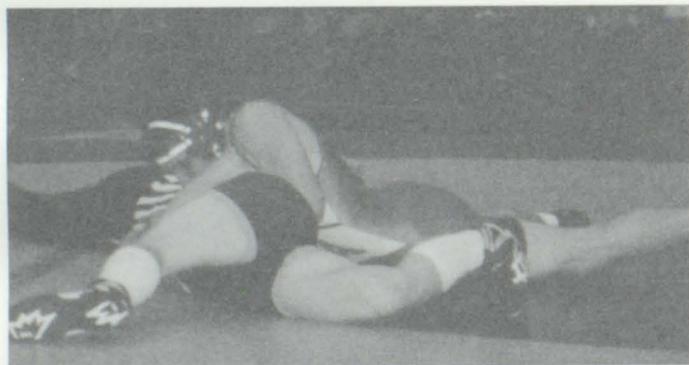
Below: Neil Zachman attempts a fall for the Knights.



We are all proud and honored to have such an outstanding wrestling team. As we all know, the Knights took the Class AA State Championship title for the second consecutive year in a row. This wrestling team was a group of athletes with more courage, strength and dedication to achieve a goal than ever before.

It was a well deserved win by all the wrestlers, and a victory the seniors will never forget. The team had a record of 18-2 entering the State Tournament, losing to Elk River and Paynesville earlier in the year. The Knights also took the section 4A Conference Championship title for the 11th year in a row. While interviewing head coach Greg Greeno, he said, "It was a good season with great senior leadership. Especially at the end where we exceeded all expectations by winning the title."

This year's team was led by seven exceptional seniors. They include: Michael Barthel, Ben Husom, Jason Hackenmueller, Aaron Martin, Neil Zachman, Shane Long and David Keizer. It was an emotional season for these seniors as they led their team to victory. They have had many memorable moments in their career. The one that will always stand out is when Ben Husom clinched the pin for the Knights against Blue Earth Area. It was long awaited, well deserved, and resulted in assuring the Knights the State Title.



Above: Mike Barthel clinches the pin for the Knights.

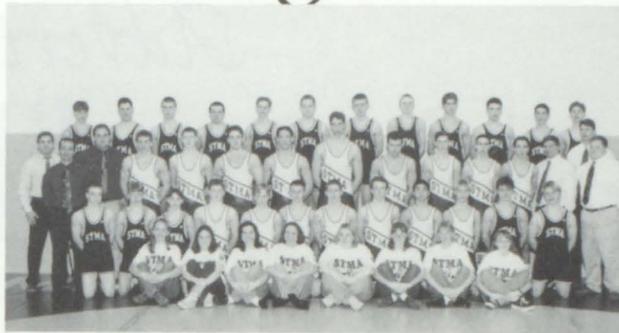
Right: The seniors celebrate after taking the State Title.



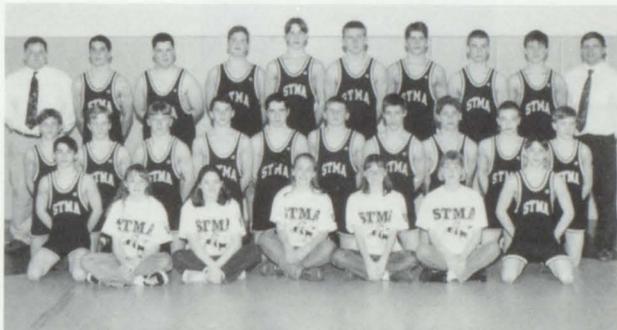
Wrestling

Varsity

	Us	Them
Rockford	64	3
Robin Coop.	57	12
Fridly	36	16
Water-May	57	12
Buffalo	39	13
Delano	57	3
Osseo	37	17
Can. Falls	70	0
Hen.Sib.Man	33	22
Rochester	54	6
Goodhue	33	15
Paynesville	18	33
Annandale	34	20
Monticello	39	18
Waconia	54	9
Elk River	16	28
Glencoe-S.L.	68	0
D.C.	34	21
Sec. 4AA Tournament		
Shakopee	49	9
Fridley	44	11
State Tournament		
Heron Lake	31	21
Kasson-Mant.	40	15
Blue Earth	36	15

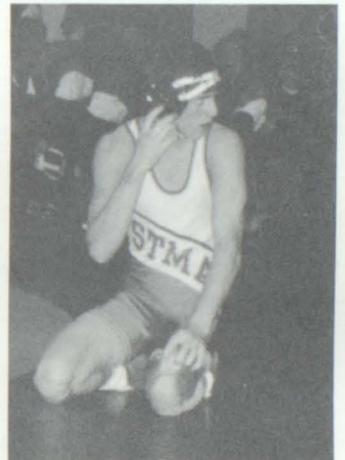
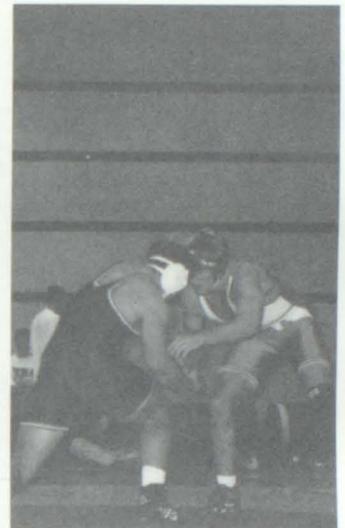


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Below: Shane Long battles with his opponent.



Above: Jason Hackenmueller looks for advice from the coaches.

What was your most memorable moment?

"When I came off the mat in the finals of the state tournament."

-Ben Husom

What is you advise to the underclassmen?

"When your senior year comes, work hard and make the most of it. It is the best time of your life."

-Mike Barthel

What made wrestling so special to you?

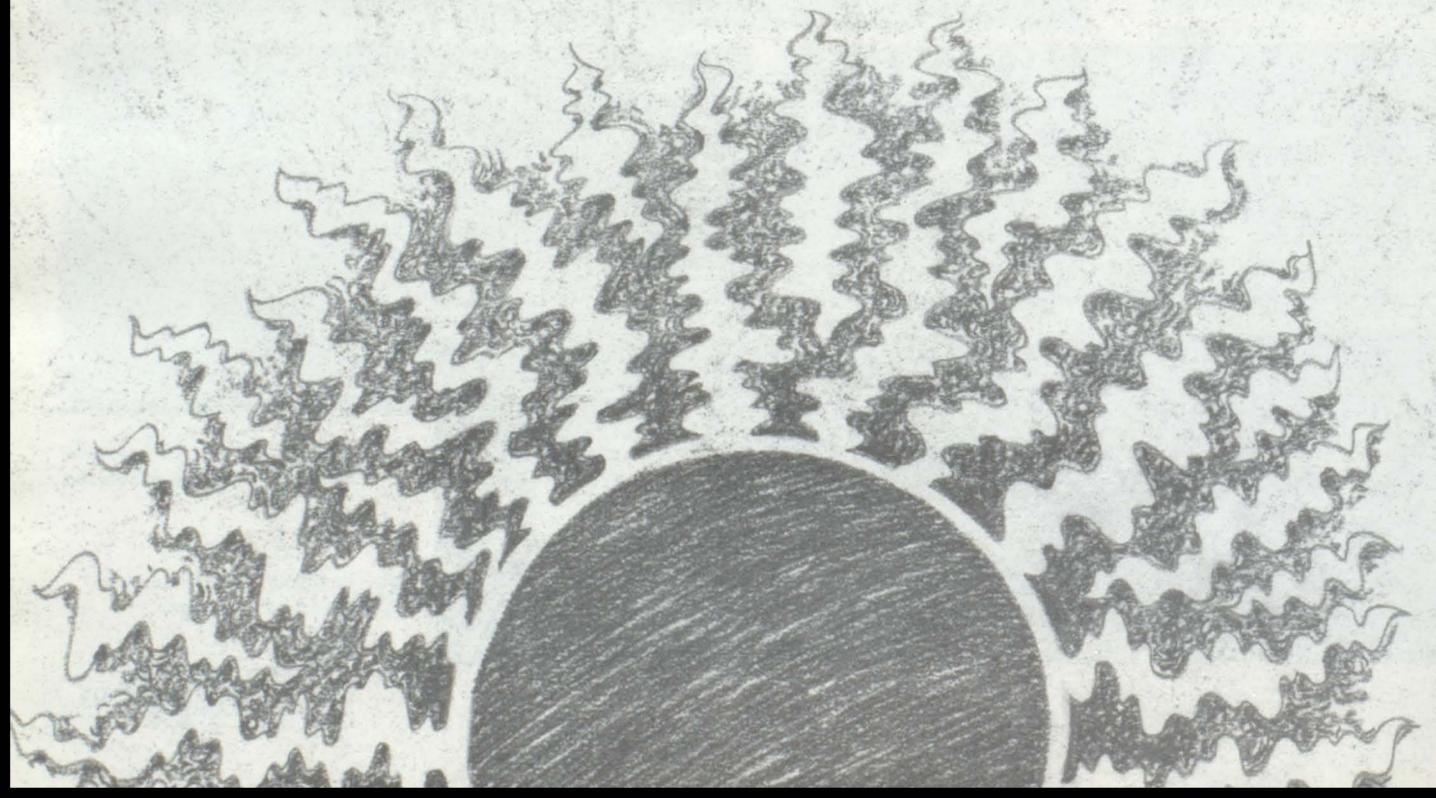
"Wrestling is special because it wasn't just a team sport but also an individual sport, a lot of fan support and great coaching."

-Aaron Martin



Left: The 1996-97 State Championship team and their award

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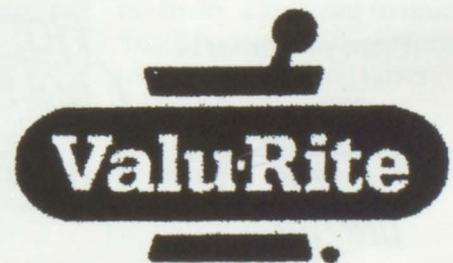


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Congratulations Katie!

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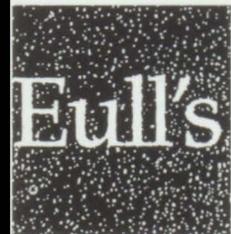
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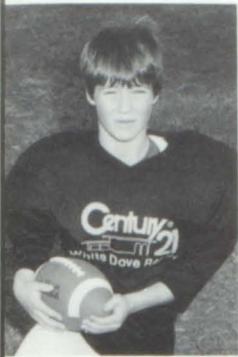
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Congratulations Jared!

From cowboy to college- my how you've grown. Stand tall. Smile often. Work hard. Accept challenges. Have faith. Watch the sun set. Go fishing. Celebrate life. We're proud of you!

Love, Mom & Dad



Congratulations Dwain!

We are very proud of you. And we know, no matter which road you choose in life, it will be a successful one. We love you very much.

Love, Mom & Dad



Hats off to Angie!

Our greatest joy and gift in life has been you, beautiful you. With all your energy and love in your heart, your dreams will come true.

Love, Mom, Dad & Lisa



Congratulations Chad!

We are so proud of all your accomplishments. Your enthusiasm for life and learning has never dimmed and neither has your smile. The future is yours to take!

Love, Mom & Dad



Congratulations T.J.!

Some things never change! Smiles, frowns, or pouts, we are very proud of you. We love you always Beetle Bug!!

Love Always, Dad, Mom & Andrew



Congratulations Traci!

We are so proud of you! You've always brought sunshine and happiness to our lives with your smile and hugs. Always be true to yourself and keep God in your heart.

God Bless- Love, Mom, Dad & April



Congratulations Candi!

We are proud to have such a special daughter. Just keep smiling and always remember we are here for you.

Love, Mom, Dad, Aaron, Erich & Kristin



Congratulations Heather!

Your smile has always brought sunshine into our lives. We know your future will be "bright" because of your determination, dedication and savoir-faire. Heather, remember family will always be there.

Much Love, Mom & Dad



Break a leg, Anna!

There hasn't been one dull moment! We're proud of where you've been and can't wait to see where you're going! We love you.

Mom, Dad & Kate



Congratulations Shane!

Thanks for all you've given us over the years; for the many hours of watching you perfect the art of being an athlete, scholar, friend, brother, and son. You're the best!

Love, Mom and Dad



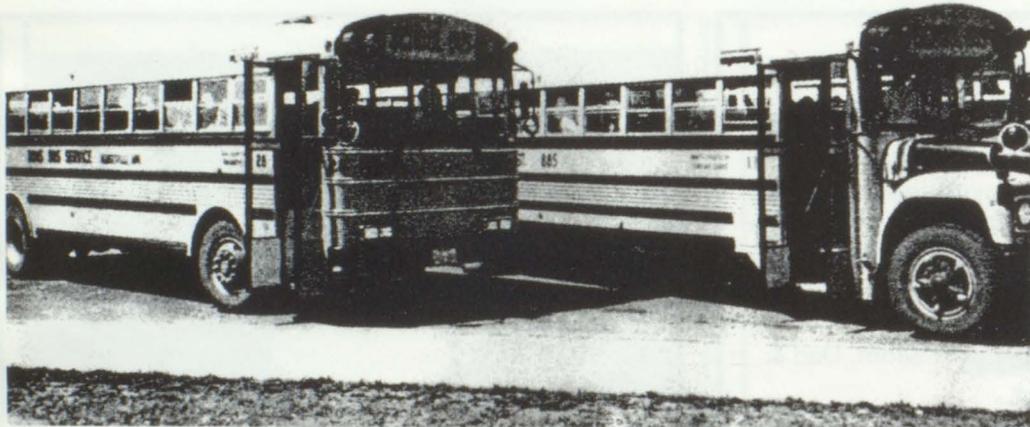
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My Love Forever, Mom



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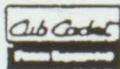
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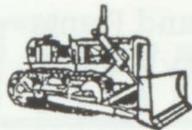


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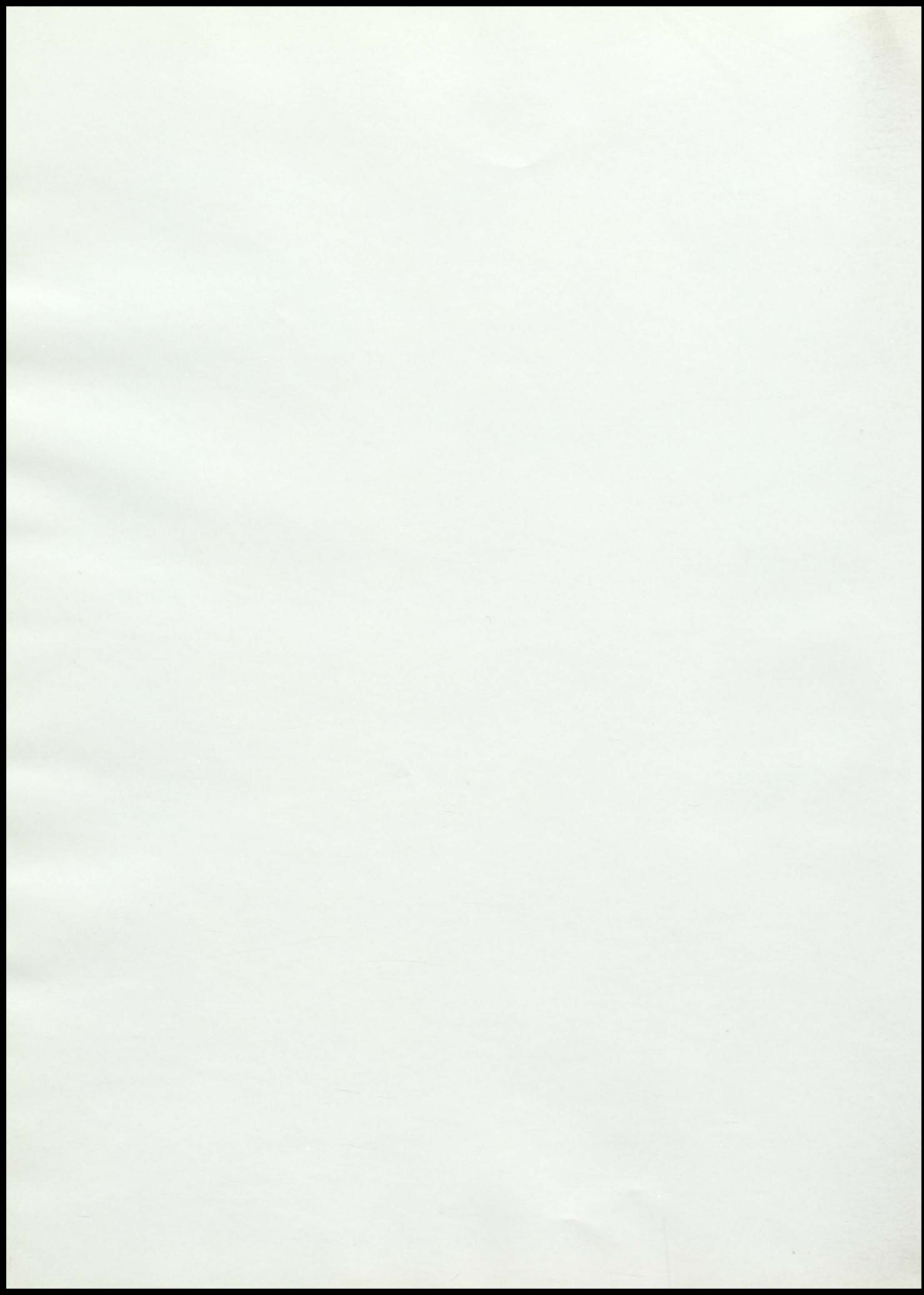
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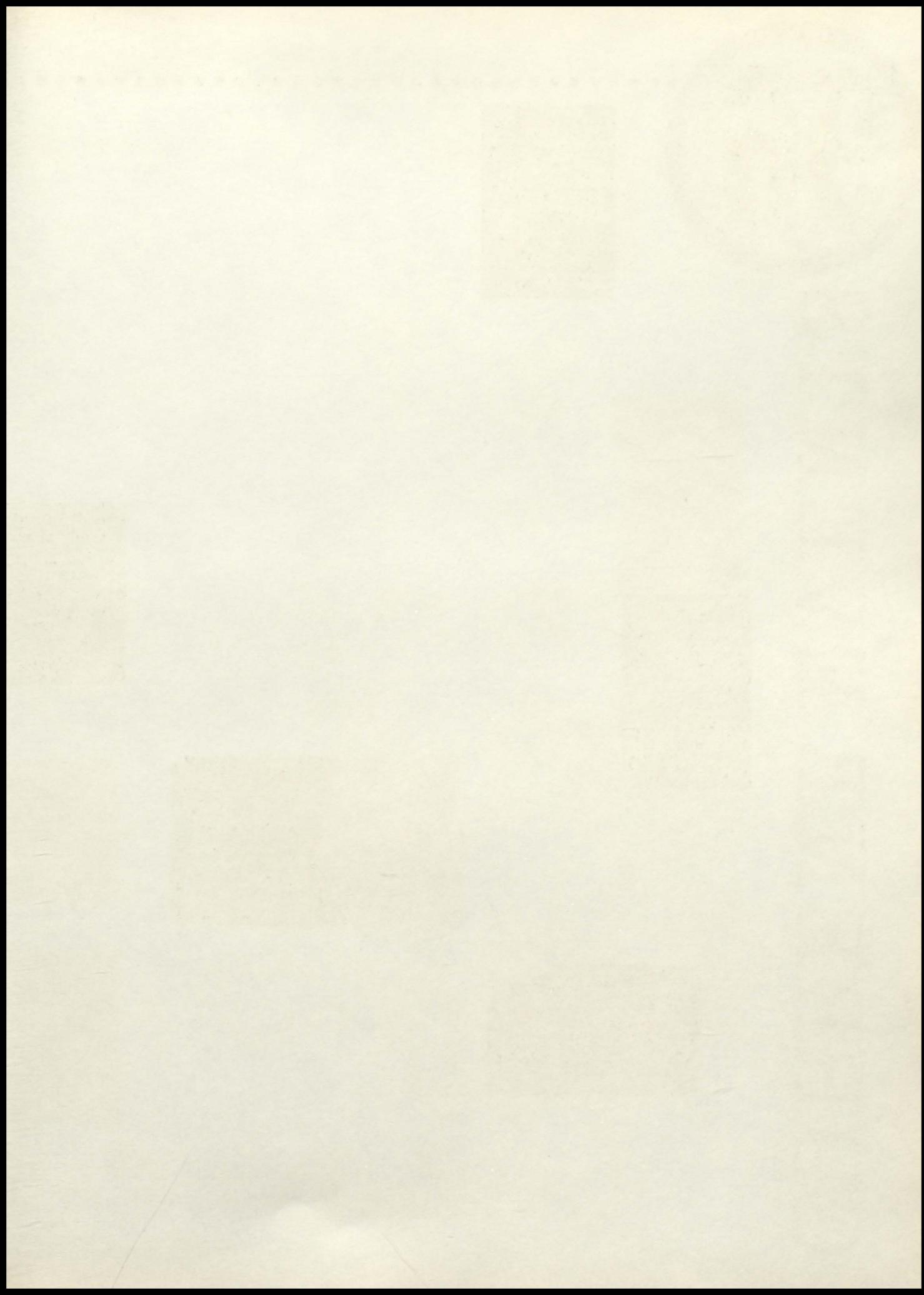
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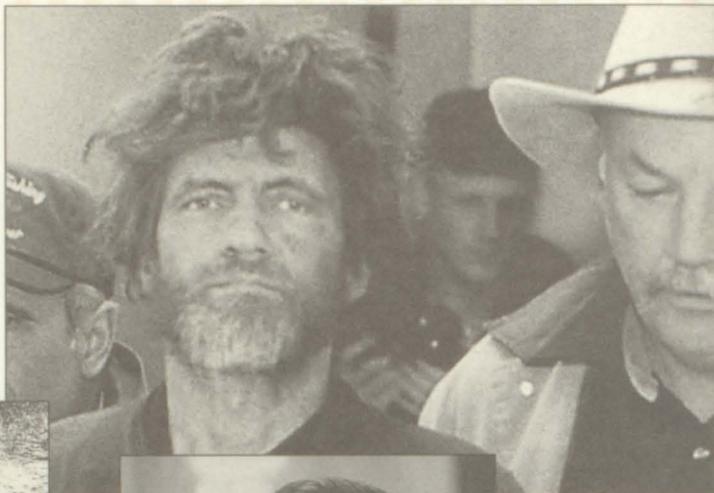




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CURRENT EVENTS

Theodore Kaczynski, alleged to be the "Unabomber" who had killed 3 people and wounded more than 20 others with mail bombs since 1978, is arrested in Montana in April 1996.



Derek Pruit, Gamma/Liaison



AP/Wide World

All 110 people aboard a ValuJet DC-9 are killed in May 1996 when a fire breaks out in the cargo hold. The plane crashes and disappears almost completely into the Florida Everglades.

AP/Wide World



Eldrick "Tiger" Woods, an outstanding amateur golfer, goes pro in 1996. In addition to his tournament earnings, 20-year-old Woods signs endorsement deals worth an estimated \$60 million.

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Alanis Morissette's *Jagged Little Pill* becomes the all-time top-selling album by a female artist. Morissette also wins four 1996 Grammy Awards.

Gymnast Kerri Strug (second from right) becomes a hero when, despite a dislocated ankle, she helps propel the U.S. women's gymnastics team to a gold medal at the Summer Olympics.



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CURRENT EVENTS

The New York Yankees win the World Series, beating the Atlanta Braves four games to two. The win is the first series title for the Yankees since 1978.



Al Bello, Allsport

Former model Brooke Shields stars in her own sit-com. "Suddenly Susan," also starring Judd Nelson, portrays Shields working as a magazine columnist in San Francisco.



NBC from Shooting Star



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Russian President Boris Yeltsin wins reelection in July and undergoes successful heart surgery in the fall.

Former football star O.J. Simpson is found liable for the 1994 wrongful deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. A civil jury awards Goldman's parents \$8.5 million in compensatory damages and the Goldman and the Brown families each \$12.5 million in punitive damages.



Jonathan Alcorn, Zuma

Nationwide, forest fires, particularly in California, Montana and Oregon, blacken more than twice the acreage lost to fires in an average year.



Kurt Miller, The Press-Enterprise

