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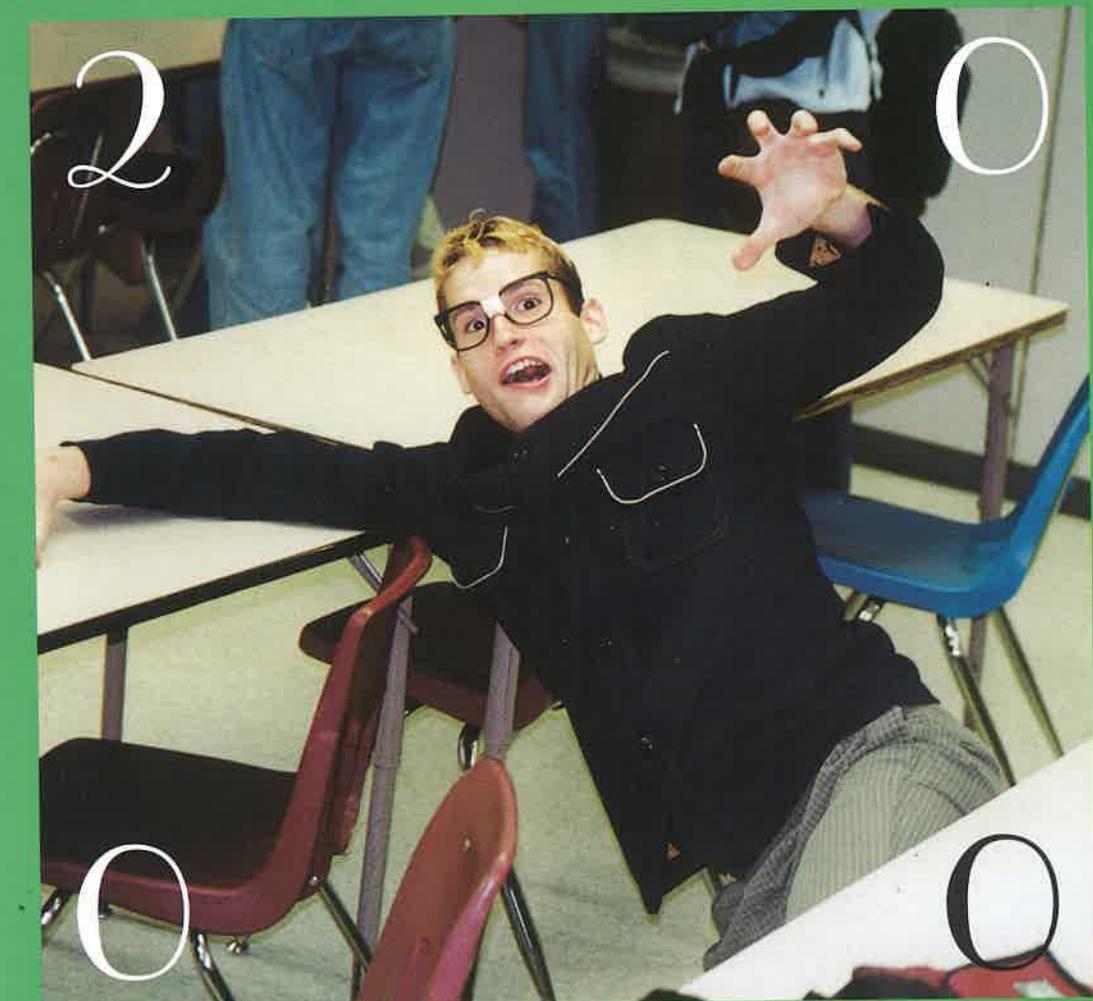
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AAAAagh!!! I'm falling!!! Catching his own fall, senior Dan Rolle makes faces.

1999-2000

# 1999-2000

Welcome friends to the new millennium. Hope your first idea of the century was, what is going to happen now? Well, guess what. This is your unofficial guide to whatever you hope to do in the future of the planet. This is the book you should turn to in order to figure out what to do about certain things, such as will teachers let me go to the bathroom, how much procrastination can I handle before I go insane, and so on and so forth. Well if you have had many of these questions, maybe you'll find the answer somewhere hidden within the two covers of this book. Remember, not all information is valid, but it's a lot of fun to read things other people say about certain subjects. Have fun with this book, it's yours to treasure and you don't have to take everything to heart, but at least give it a shot. Time and effort was used to create it, use it to enjoy the book.

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*This is HOW you know WHO did what,  
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HOW everyone does it,  
WHEN everything happened.*



Ob wow, this is neat! Leafing through a book, juniors Jenny Grinde and Leah Brekke find many interesting facts about several ideas.



I can't wait until this song is over!! Hoping the conductor will stop them, freshman Brianne Montgomery clarifies her part.



Here, let's get this one. Taking a break from dancing, senior Brandon Gustafson and his date grab something to drink.



I don't want to mess this up!! Carefully applying paint, senior Brooke Gabel spiffs up her art project.



The 1999-2000 theme was the Unofficial guide to life, not to mention who's who, what's what, when, where, why, and how. Who are the students? Why are we here? When did we beat South? What started the new millennium thing? Where does everything in the school take place? How was everything captured throughout the year? These were questions that the yearbook class tried to answer through their stories, by using their creativity and common sense. Most of the things suggested in this book are merely suggestions not to be taken seriously but to have fun. Everything (except homework!!) is done for fun. Reading this book will help everyone understand what happened during the school year, why and when it happened.



I didn't know bread dough was supposed to look like this. During ceramics, sophomores Jenny Goebel and Jody Ackerland form their clay sculptures.



I don't want to mess this up! Working intently, junior Jon Paulson carefully perfects his masterpiece.



Congratulations!! Awarding seniors, Mr. Rick Anderson applauds seniors Liza Sorteberg and Jeremy Buehre for their role at regionals.

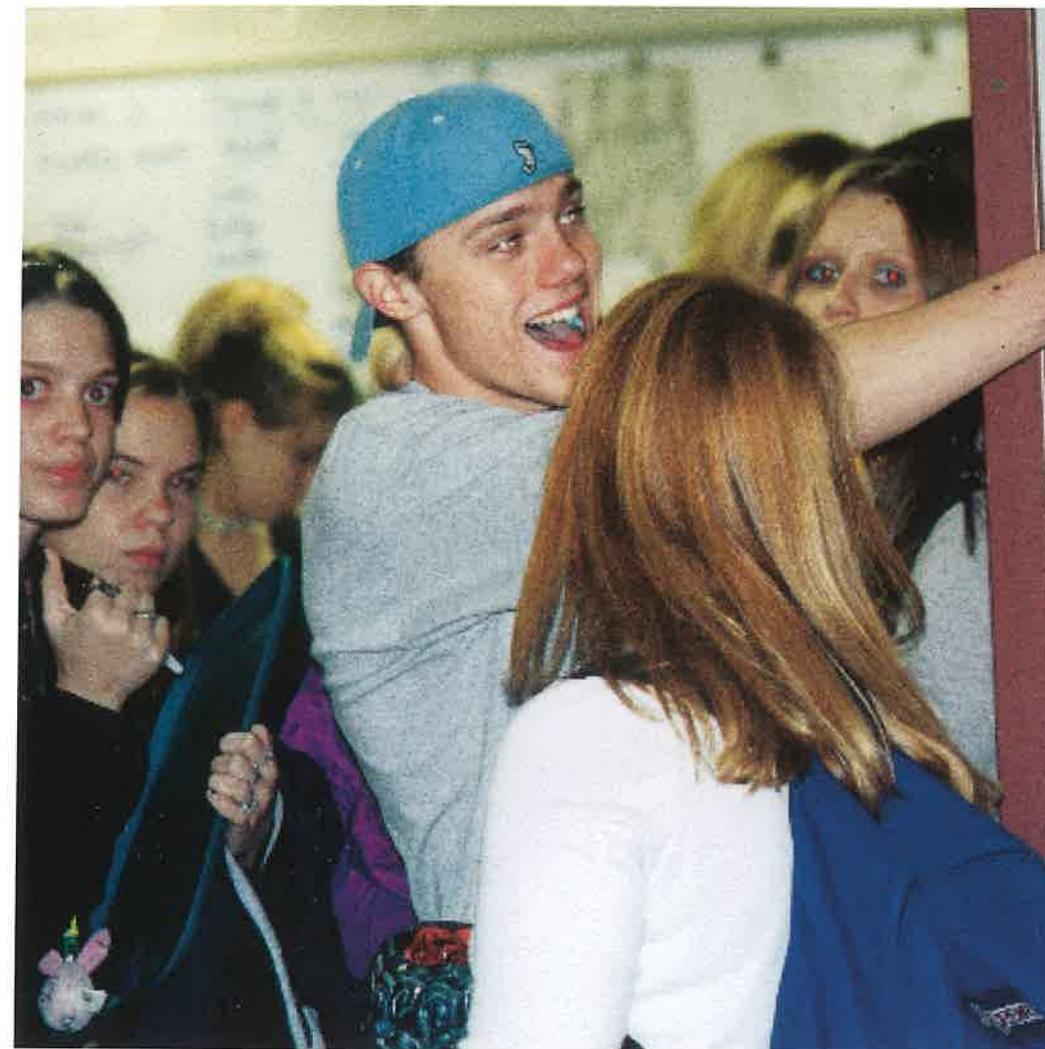


Okay, here's the deal. Listening intently, Mrs. Sarah Trogstad and junior Meaghan Pratt hear what there is to be said.



Shall we see what the correct answer is? Working intently, seniors Amber Jo Schmidt and Tammy Syverson talk about the weekend.

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**Look mom, I'm on the big screen!**  
Waiting patiently for class to end, junior Levi James points out something funny down the hall.



**I hope this stuff comes off my face!**  
During the powder puff game, senior Aftin Krieger watches on the sidelines.

**What, where is all of the candy??!**  
Enjoying the parade, senior Lindsey Larsen watches patiently.



**Like...no way!!** Having a little fun, juniors Ashley Swenson, Marissa Krzmarzick and senior Amanda Lipp hit some balloons around.



**If I open my mouth a little more...**  
Taking a break, senior Brianne Regan eats her latest creation.

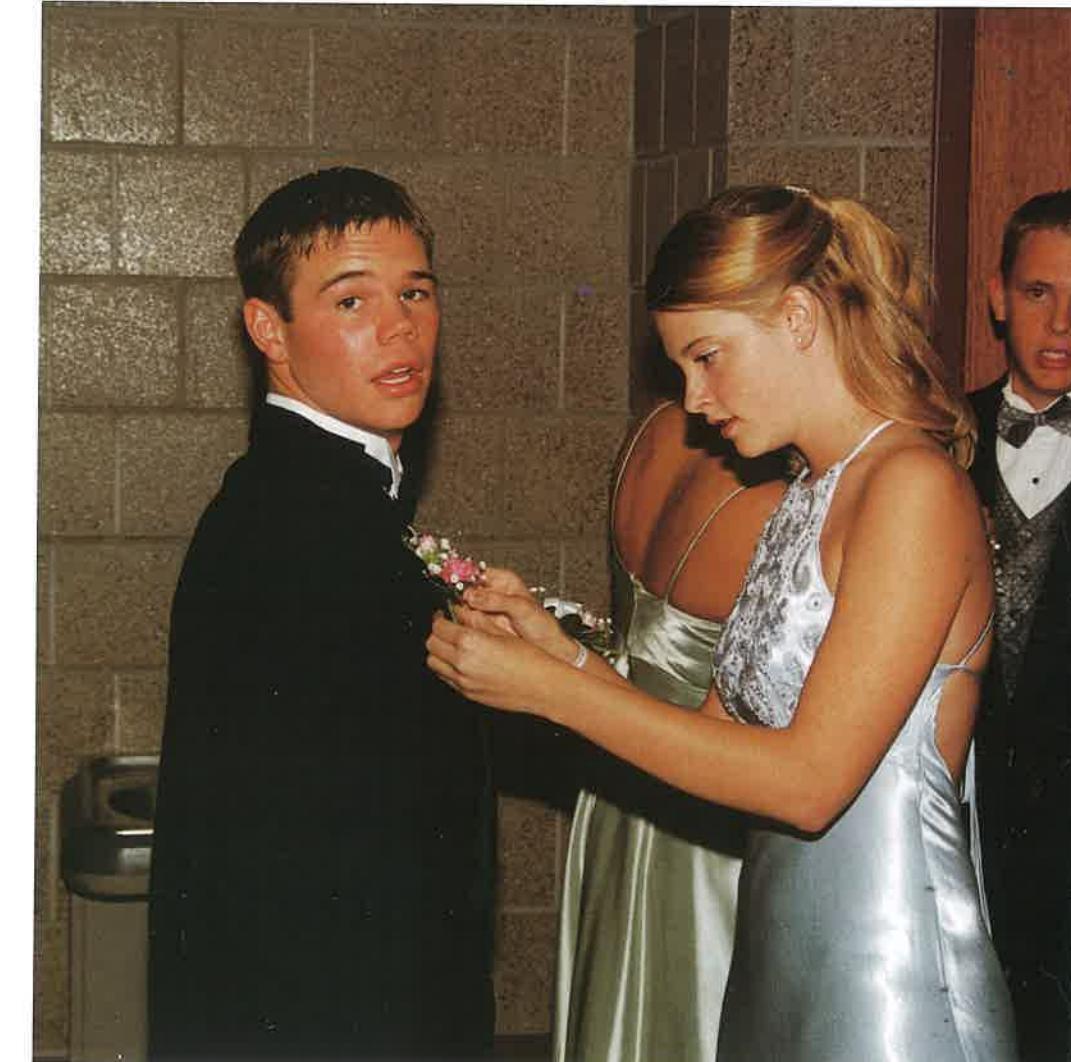


**Um..I don't know what that word means!** During French class, junior Kara Johnson keeps busy by reading.

**Huh..could you repeat that?** Listening intently, seniors Jamie Hendrickson and Julie Sprenger try to figure things out.

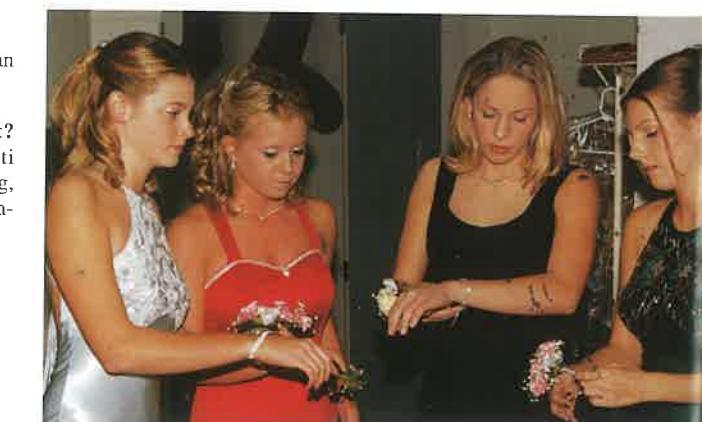
HOW did I get through the year?  
Let me count the ways! Let's see  
there was... the dances, pep ral-  
lies, powder puff, homework,  
kissing up to teachers, week-  
ends, teachers' convention, class  
field trips, weekend parties,  
friends, shopping, lake trips, ex-  
tra-curricular activities, finding  
your way around school, finding  
a parking spot, government,  
sporting events, college tours, t.v.  
shows, taking notes, ACT's and  
SAT's, college preparations,  
talking on the phone, surfing the  
net, holidays, Christmas vacation,  
boyfriends/girlfriends, research  
papers, concerts, organizations,  
art projects, jobs, working on  
getting your curfew extended,  
pulling all nighters cramming  
the night before, trips to the of-  
fice, green sheets, detention  
jokes, tests, tests, and more  
TESTS, prom, post prom, gradu-  
ation, post grad parties, and  
finally...the last day of school!!!!

# H O M E C O M I N G



**Duh-h-h!!!** Pinning a corsage on, senior Kristi Crummy helps senior Ryan Hanson before coronation.

**Is it the right hand or the left?** Comparing corsages, seniors Kristi Crummy, Jolene Berg, Liza Sorteberg, and Sally Larson prepare for coronation.



**Hop! Hop! Hop!** Hopping around the commons, juniors Heidi Noonan and Mariah Peterson form a congo line.

## Days to Remember

Anticipation grew on September 13<sup>th</sup> while the emcees, Kacee Reinisch and Jarrod Schwab, announced the homecoming king and queen candidates, Jolene Berg, Kristen Crummy, Lisa Haar, Sally Larson, Liza Sorteberg, Pat Dardis, Ryan Hanson, Nick Lund, Brandy Otterness and Marcus Urlaub, the time grew closer to the 1999 crowning.

Around seven o'clock it was time for the 10 seniors to line up and see who the 1999 homecoming king and queen were going to be. The crowd roared as each and everyone of the homecoming candidates was introduced.

The seniors stood on stage as their fellow classmates Jody Lamb, Dan Rolle, Teressa Dikoff, and Becky Koppelman sang the song, "Coming Home."

"I was so surprised I don't even think I smiled. I never imagined getting it," after being crowned king by WFHS's 1998 queen, Kristen Volk, Dardis said. Dardis also had the honor of crowning West Fargo High's new homecoming queen, Jolene Berg.

"It was really exciting to be picked out of all those great people," Berg said. As she acknowledged that being picked was a huge honor.

Memories grew as the week went on, from the kickoff of the powder puff game to the homecoming dance. With the school decorated for the theme "Welcome to the Jungle", the students of West Fargo made it one week they will remember for the rest of their lives.

*By Aftin Krieger*



**I'm so s-s-scared!** Walking in style down the football field, seniors Brady Otterness and Sally Larson enjoy their night in the spotlight.



**What a sweet car!** King and Queen seniors, Pat Dardis and Jolene Berg, drive down the side of the football field showing how cool they are.



**Is it really going to be me?!** Waiting for the results, the Queen royalty hold hands in suspense.



**Hey Mom, no cavities!** All smiles, junior Ashley Swensen dances with friends at the homecoming dance.

Hey you!! Looking for some direction, sophomore Steve Brennan motions to his teammates.

We're #1!!! Anticipating a great win, the Packers huddle together to pump themselves up.



## Seniors override juniors once again in Powder Puff game

Homecoming week provided West Fargo High School's students with many different sporting events including the Powder Puff Football game.

On Wednesday, September 15, the girls hit the field. The juniors came out and played a little stronger than the senior team had expected.

"When I saw the juniors play, I was a little worried because they were more ready than I'd expected," senior coach Nick Lund said.

The juniors continued to take it to the seniors during the course of a scoreless first half.

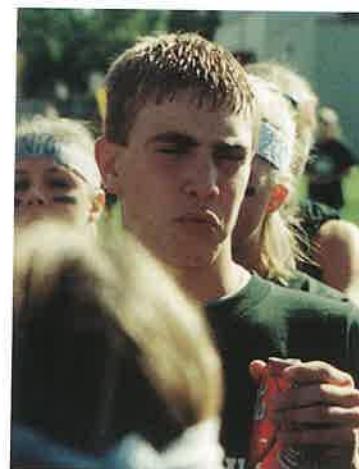
During halftime, the seniors received a good pep talk from their coaches. They came back on the field fighting like West



No one can stop me now. Weaving through the defense, senior Lisa Elless gains yards.



Follow me! Getting pumped up before the game, junior Mindi Thorstad leads the junior team across the field.



Yuk, someone put Pepsi in my Coke. Before the game, junior Scott Brand takes a swig of his power drink.



Fargo Packers. At the end of the third quarter, the seniors stopped the juniors with an interception by senior Lisa Haar.

They took advantage of the interception and turned it into a touchdown drive led by their quarterback, senior April Hagel. The seniors then ran the ball in for the 2-point conversion.

The juniors claimed that the ball had hit the ground before Hendrickson got it.

"The ball did hit the ground, but it was an honest mistake by the refs," junior Kristin Murch said.

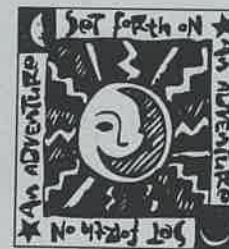
The touchdown was ruled good, putting the game away for the seniors with a 14-6 finish.

By Ryan Hanson

We won!! Celebrating their victory, the senior class gathers together for a group picture.

Set...hut. Getting down in their stance, the Packer offense gets ready to attack.

# the new millennium



"Y2K won't amount to anything. Nothing is going to happen. Everyone is making a big deal about nothing."

--sophomore  
Charlie  
LeClair



"Y2K may happen. If it does I want to be a part of it. It's just going to be another New Year's, except for the Y2K bug."

--junior  
Shawn  
Sigala



"The new millennium is going to be very exciting. The next one is only one thousand years away."

--sophomore  
Kayla  
Woodley

## What will the new millennium bring for you?



"I don't think Y2K will occur. I'm going to miss writing the 19."

--junior  
Heather  
Lund



"It'll just be another year. Things might get better or get worse."

--sophomore  
Betsy  
Anderson



"The coming millennium doesn't start until January 1, 2001."

--sophomore  
Megan  
Shirley

## What will the new millennium bring for you?

Did you party like it was 1999? Some parts of the world did. People in Mumbai, India partied at a Taj mega bash. Also, a plane followed the rising sun for 24-hours starting in the Pacific Islands.

The United States certainly had a fair share of parties. One million people were predicted to join together in New York to watch the ball drop. The party in Washington DC was the centerpiece of the nation's Year 2000 events.

What did you do to celebrate the millennium?

"Stayed out late and hung out," sophomore Mike Moreau said.

In preparation for the millennium, many people



Y2K. West Fargo students gathered together for many football games and they often celebrated after the winning games. But, were they together to celebrate the millennium and all of its glory?

had various concerns.

and power outages.

Other people were more optimistic and thought of Y2K readiness, the world coming together as a community, embedded chips fixing themselves, a new age, and even a chance to transform the world.

by Megan Robley



"Many technological and medical advances will occur."

--sophomore  
Erin  
Bennett



"It may cause a lot of problems. Some people might go crazy."

--sophomore  
Stephanie  
Grinde



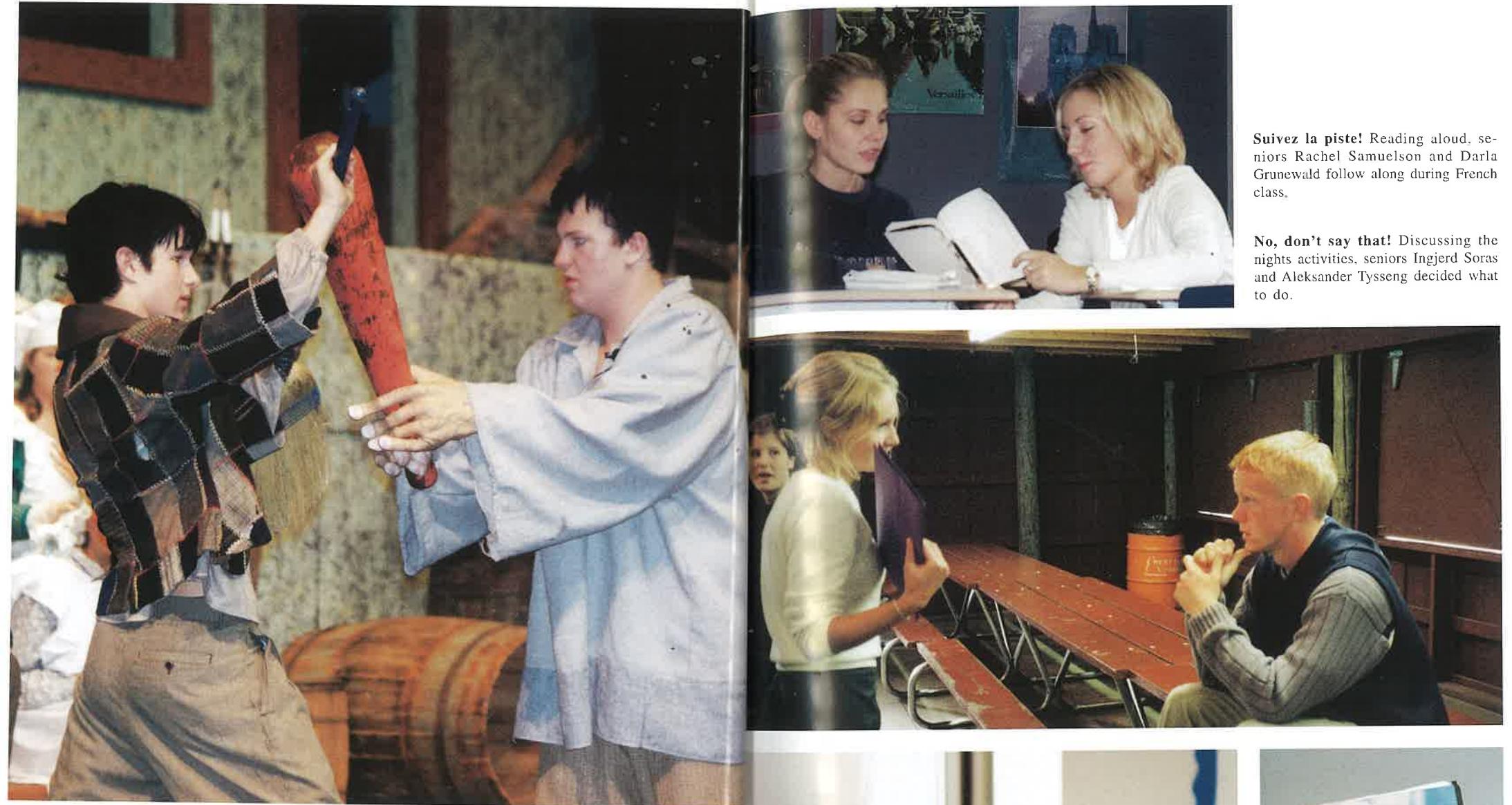
"All of the problems are just too much for people to deal with."

--freshman  
Kyle  
McLean



# the new millennium

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Now this is what I was looking for! Distracted by an error, senior Adam Silbernagel hopes he finishes early.



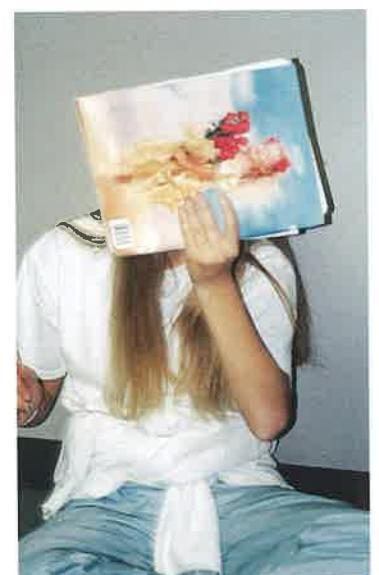
You can't get me! Trying to fight, seniors Jody Lamb and Dave Johnson duke it out.



I am GOING to make this shot. Advising herself how to make the shot, senior Heidi Hansen discovers the perfect hand placement.

**Suivez la piste!** Reading aloud, seniors Rachel Samuelson and Darla Grunewald follow along during French class.

**No, don't say that!** Discussing the nights activities, seniors Ingjerd Soras and Aleksander Tysseng decided what to do.



I'm having a bad hair day! Covering her head, senior Jess Floan escapes watchful eyes.

**I can't find what I'm looking for!** Searching through English notes, senior Patty Krogh captures the essence of writing research papers.

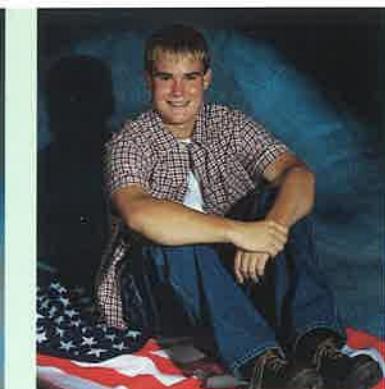
As seniors, the class of 2000 has grown into a remarkable group of young people. We have joined athletics, organizations, and other things like jobs. We made people proud to have known us as individuals and as a group. We showed how respect and individuality can do anything. But now, as we go on through the different doors of life, everyone realized the time had come. We are now officially adults, with clear minds and a prosperous future ahead of us. We are a part of the "real" world now.



Emilee Aamodt



Randy Ackerman



Nick Akers



Cory Arnsbaugh



Katie Anderson



Leah Anderson



Mike Anderson



Maggie Asmund



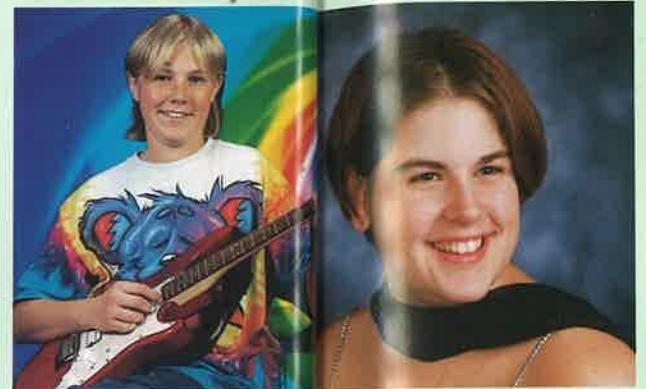
Casey Amundson



Adrianna Anderson



Dale Anderson



Darrin Anderson



Brandie Baasch



Tina Bachmeier



Natasha Baker



Aaron Balster



Ah...this is the way school should always be! Taking a "time out" from class, senior Casey Amundson gets comfy in the hallway outside his class.

## Changing fashions year by year Students chose "trendiest" clothes

Bell bottoms, tie dies, polar fleece vests, shirts: The new fashions change constantly each year. Students can see any fashion trend they can think of, maybe even some they never thought of!

Senior Nicole Gilberts said, "Your clothes express your personality. I don't conform to society's trends."

A person shouldn't have had to be afraid of wearing something that one liked. Each person was shown something new and exciting everyday.

On an average day senior Jesse Reese said he wore jeans with a hooded sweatshirt.

Depending on where they shopped determined their style of clothing. There are different stores in the Fargo-Moorhead area that

sell a wide variety of styles. Herbergers and others in the mall are where senior Jessica Marohl stopped for her favorite clothes.

Along with Marohl, many others went to the mall to pick up something new.

Everybody had their own favorite stores and clothes. There was always that special outfit that a person couldn't wait to wear!

One of senior Amy Sahr's favorites was her red ski vest with a pair of cargo pants.

Senior Nick Lund said, "My yellow flowered board shorts and loud floral Hawaiian shirt were my favorite clothes for the year."

By Llonna Burbidge



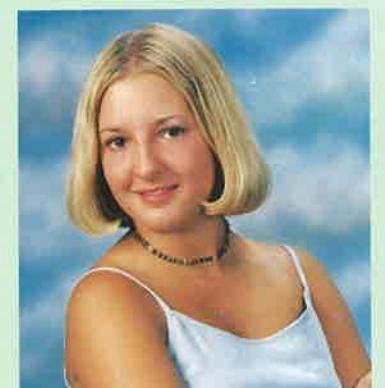
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Nick Becklund



Jolene Berg



Mike Biewer



Jason Boer



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Amanda Borseth



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Ross Brennan



Kory Cwikla



Pat Dardis



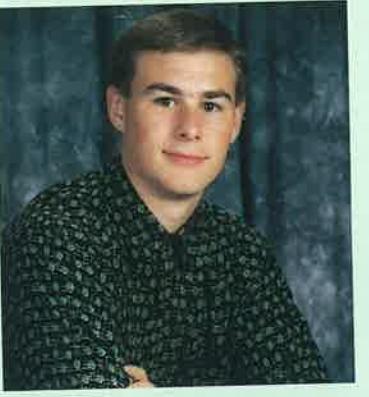
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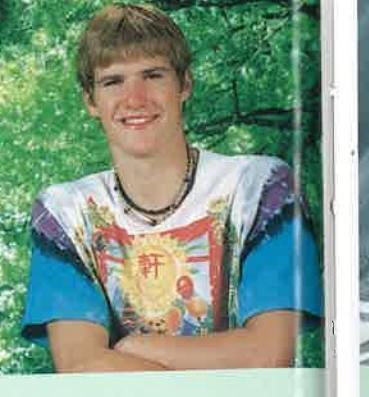
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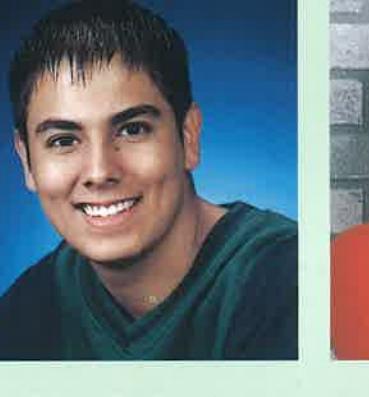
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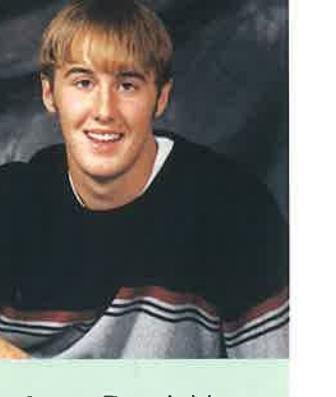
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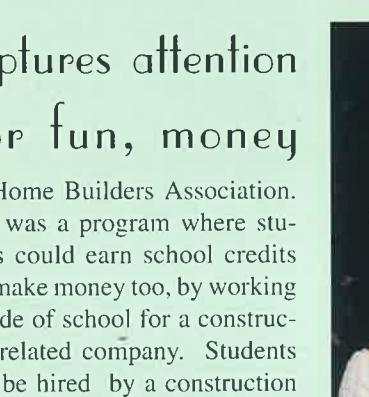
Amber Carlson



Tina Carpenter



Christina Clancy



Erin Cleary



## Building Trades captures attention Students build for fun, money

The houses south of the high school were built by juniors and seniors in a class called Building Trades. This class gave students an opportunity to have hands on experience 'on' building houses from the ground up.

"I like to make class fun. If we are enjoying ourselves, it makes it easier to learn," the Building Trades instructor, Mr. Bob Bjornson said.

"Building Trades is the best class to take in the whole school. Mr. Bjornson is the most awesome teacher too," senior Shanna Hardy said.

Building Trades was associated with a class called Pre-apprenticeship Program created by the State Board of Vocational Education along with

the Home Builders Association. This was a program where students could earn school credits and make money too, by working outside of school for a construction related company. Students may be hired by a construction company and get credit for it.

"It was a really good tool for them to start working professionally," Bjornson said. "It gives them a real grasp on how the construction industry works."

Although construction may not be a student's field of choice, this class can help he or she in the future when working on a person's own home or helping others.

"Building Trades is fun. You get to work with a lot of 'studs,'" senior Alissa Carlson said with a little humor.

By Mike Anderson

A fight to the death! Dramatically acting out their parts in the play, seniors Dave Johnson and Jody Lamb are locked in combat.



Chelsey Effinger



Colin Eide



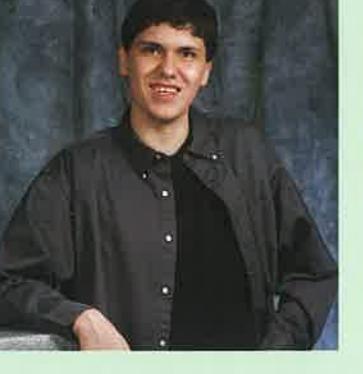
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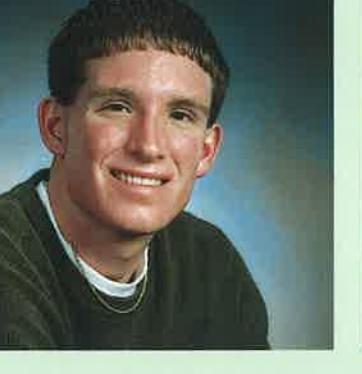
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JR Falcon



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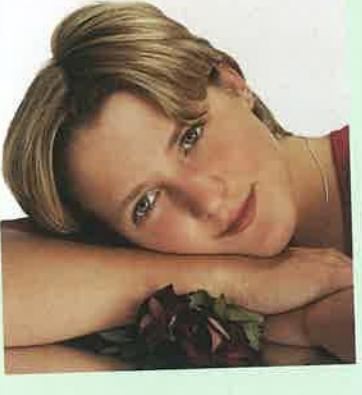
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Joel Ellingson



Kristin Engelking



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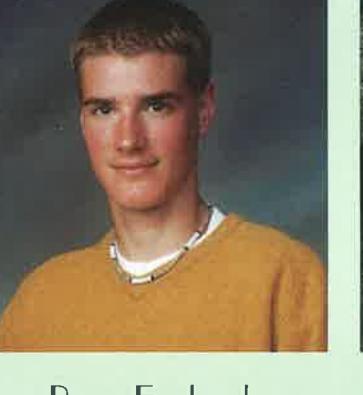
Jessica Erickson



Jess Floan



Mark Fradet



Brian Frederick



Kim Freed



Hee, hee, that's why the chicken crossed the road!! Laughing at a  
humorous joke, senior Emily Tintes gives a big smile for the camera.

## Different views make for an interesting outlook on our future

With the start of a "new millennium" there were many different outlooks for the future. Some looked to Nostradaurus' predictions for an answer to when Armageddon would come. Others thought that the Y2K bug would shut down everyone and everything. Then there were others that went to religious cities to save themselves from the religious Armageddon.

Well, the Y2K bug proved to be what a few thought -- a way for computer companies to make more money. There was no Armageddon of any sorts. So, will there be and when? What will be the causes? What is our future?

The views lie on a very broad spectrum. "I see a dashing array of miscellaneous hopes, dreams, and opportunities flashing before

my young, yearning eyes, only to be an on-looker, however as they streak down the path of life and leave me high and dry, just a passer-by," said senior Brent Bartsch. Senior Greg Haakenson slightly agrees, "A darkness, void space, black matter, armageddon, emptiness, vortex of death, and cute cuddley bunnies."

When some look ahead they see the world of science. "We will be more dependent on technology," said senior Terri Meberg.

Or maybe something a little simpler. "Everything will probably be just as it is now, maybe better," said senior Darla Grunwald.

So as we looked into the future, many options were apparent. At the twenty year reunion will find out which is correct.

By Megan Coon



Tocarra Friesz



Josh Frost



Lucilia Furtado



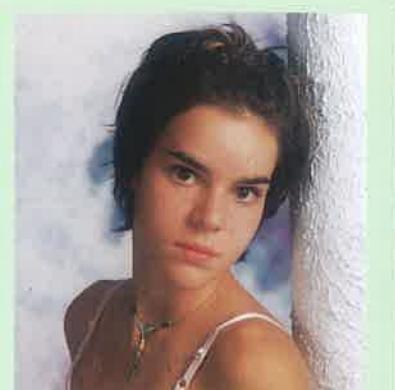
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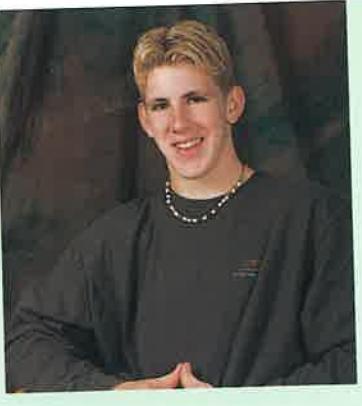
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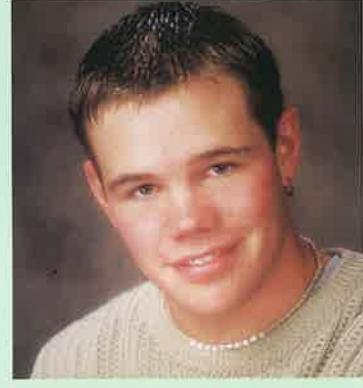
Andrea Hansen



Erik Hansen



Heidi Hansen



Ryan Hanson



Briana Grossman



JoRelle Grover



Darla Grunewald



Juan Guajardo



## Pure pandemonium powers perfect parade

Marching, dancing, kids running for candy, and school groups participating in the parade: These were just a few activities that happened during West Fest.

Parades are enjoyed by people of all ages. Not only did the watchers enjoy what was going on, but so did the people that participated in them.

"I saw a lot of people. We didn't have any candy to throw, so the kids were mad at us," senior Homecoming royalty Brady Otterness said.

The people that did participate in the parade enjoyed their day in the sun.

People that marched in the parade needed a lot of stamina, especially on a hot day.

"It was fun to entertain our

community, and they like to watch us," senior Packatahna member Nicole Gilberts said.

Not only did the people like to watch, but they really got involved in what went on during West Fest and it brought the town together.

The street dance followed the parade that evening. It was held at Bonanzaville in West Fargo. Many attended, and many enjoyed.

"I enjoyed just being around the people of West Fargo," senior Patty Halverson said.

With the sunshine and people galore, many people had fun celebrating the town they lived in.

Without West Fargo, there wouldn't be a West Fargo High School, and we wouldn't be here.

By Darcy Walth



Brandon Gustafson



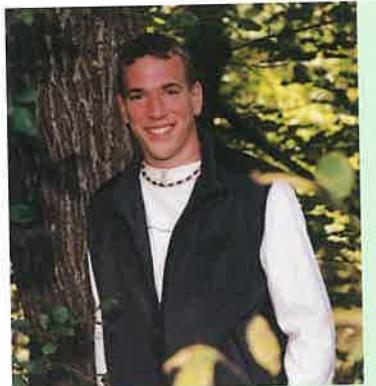
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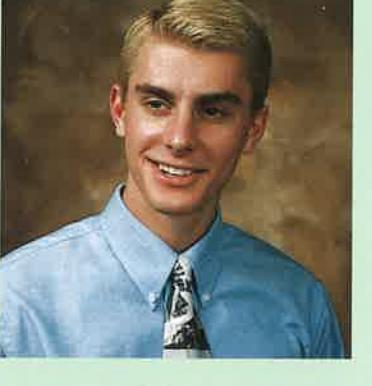
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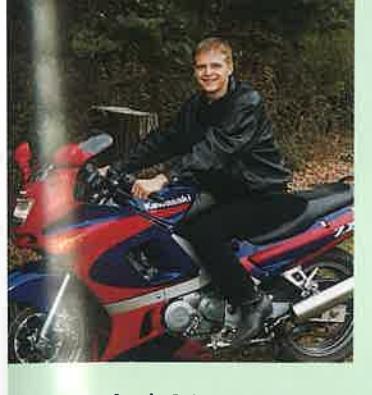
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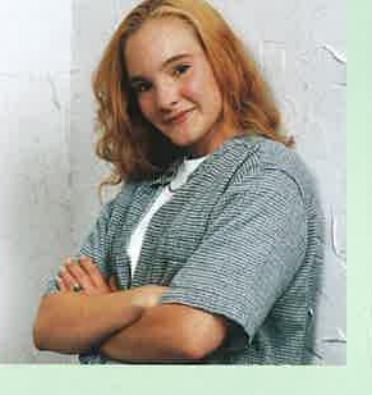
Amy Hill



Josh Homan



Cameron Hopkins



Tanya Hornbacher



Chris Hunt

## Exhaustion, procrastination, stress abound senior lives

Stress. It's a common word amongst seniors. Nearly every senior this year had some sort of stress, whether they called it senioritis, stress, or just plain procrastination. Many people waited until the last minute to get their assignments done, but others worked hard to get many important things completed.

"Stress this year was unbelievable. We sometimes had trouble getting everything ready for the paper to the printer on time," senior Kory Cwikla said.

All the stress that accumulated upon seniors had symptoms of fatigue and procrastination. Advanced place-

ment classes and other courses that demand close critical deadlines created a sense of doom hanging over the heads of those students.

"One word, government. I don't know, I think everything really made the stress appear, with work and homework it was hard to get everything done," senior Kelsey Tande said.

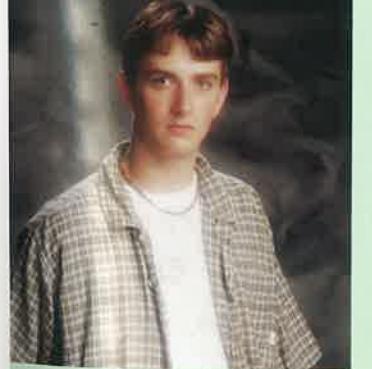
Working on all those government study guides, making sure an English paper will receive a satisfactory grade caused much of the stress seniors experienced.

With everyone scrambling to get applications out and school work in on time, stress was everywhere in the building.

By Amanda Lipp



Oh isn't it cute? Fixing muffins for Discovering foods, senior Sally Larson, sophomore Danielle Sayler, and fellow student help each other out.



Scott Huson



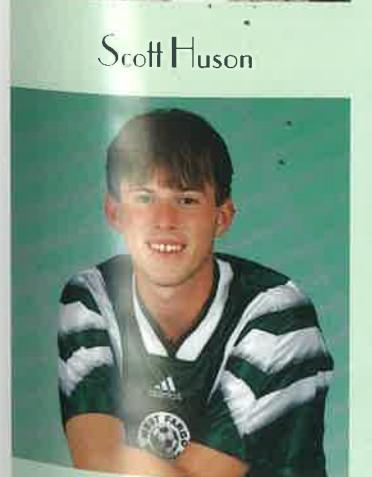
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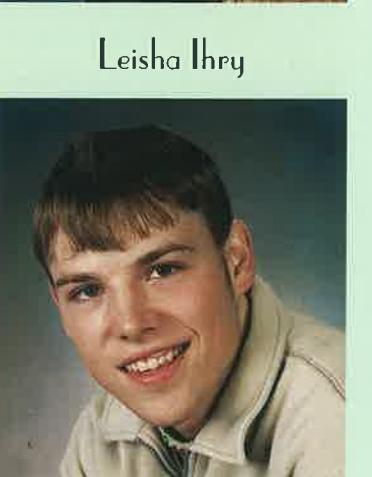
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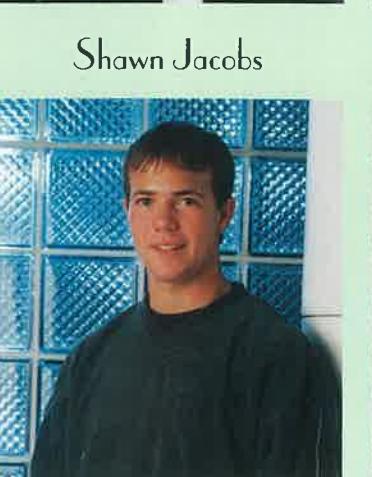
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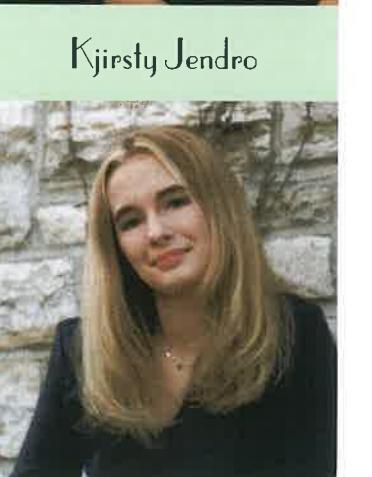
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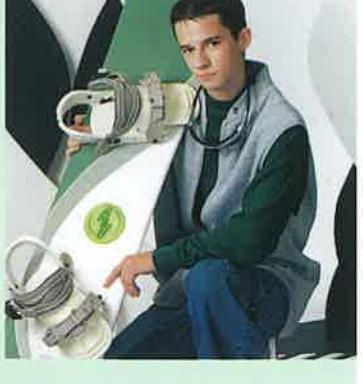
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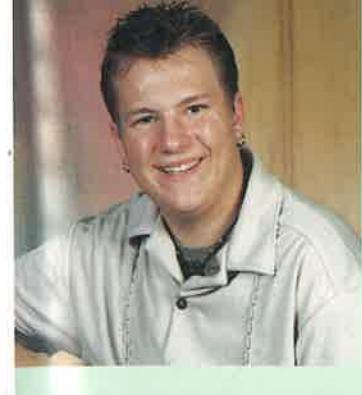
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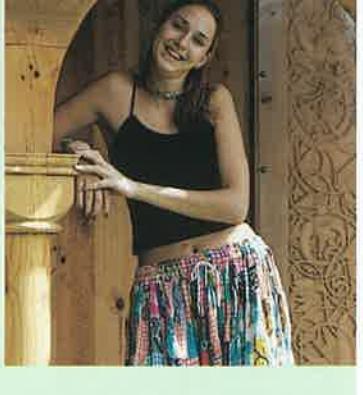
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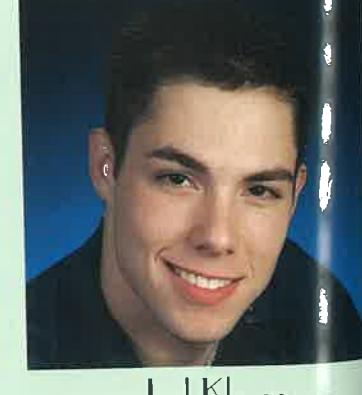
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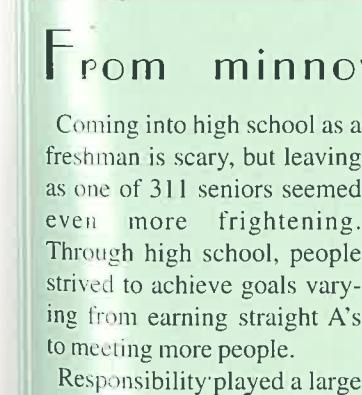
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Katie Klaers



Joel Kleven



Brian Kraemer



Rochelle Koehnen



Becky Koppelman



Anne Korsmo



Ida Thomas

## From minnows to big fish

Coming into high school as a freshman is scary, but leaving as one of 311 seniors seemed even more frightening. Through high school, people strived to achieve goals varying from earning straight A's to meeting more people.

Responsibility played a large role in being a senior. Everyone seemed to look up to the seniors because they were "the big fish in the ocean."

"I take more responsibility in doing things out of school," senior Sara Sahlberg said.

Combining clubs with school-work, or a job, created motivation to study harder and keep grades up.

"Because of my job, I worked harder to finish my homework in school," senior Ida Thomas said.

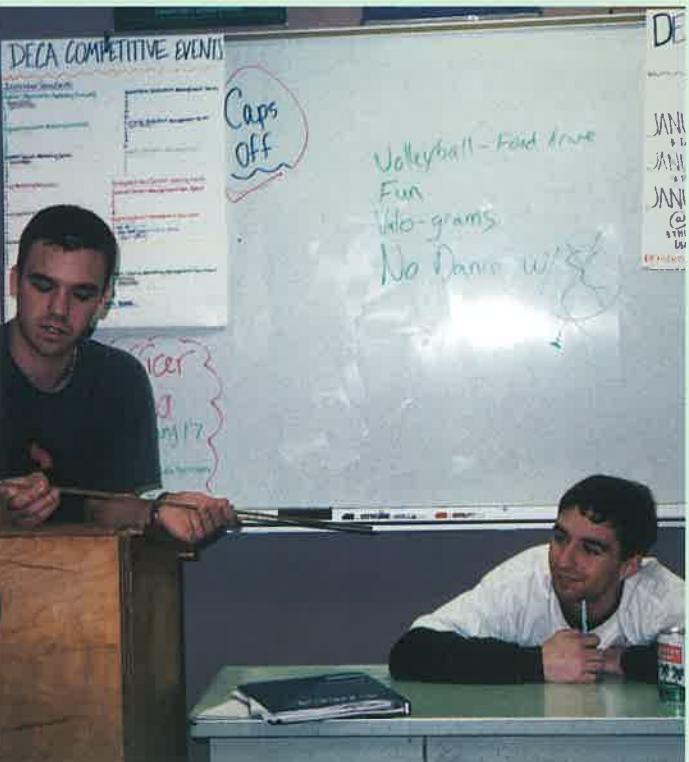
"My grades are a little lower because of the class difficulty, but it makes me work a little bit harder to keep them up," senior Karen Olson said.

Meeting new people was another part of high school. The more activities that a person took part in, the more new people they would meet.

"I have become a better person and more outgoing because of the activities I am in and the people I have met," senior Emily Tintes said.

Students have responsibilities, but those of seniors seemed to be the biggest. So as we, the class of 2000, walked down that aisle for the only time in our lives, we thought back to our first day as a "minnow" and realized how many people have influenced our lives.

By Kelsey Tande



Hey man, let me see that. Waiting for the DECA meeting to begin, seniors Colin Eide and Mike Biewer pass the time by talking amongst themselves.



Nick Larson



Sally Larson



Shanna Laude



Courtney LeClair



Tonia Lidenberg



Matt Lilleboe



Amanda Lipp



Jamie Lloyd



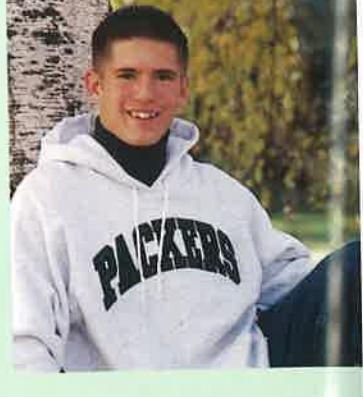
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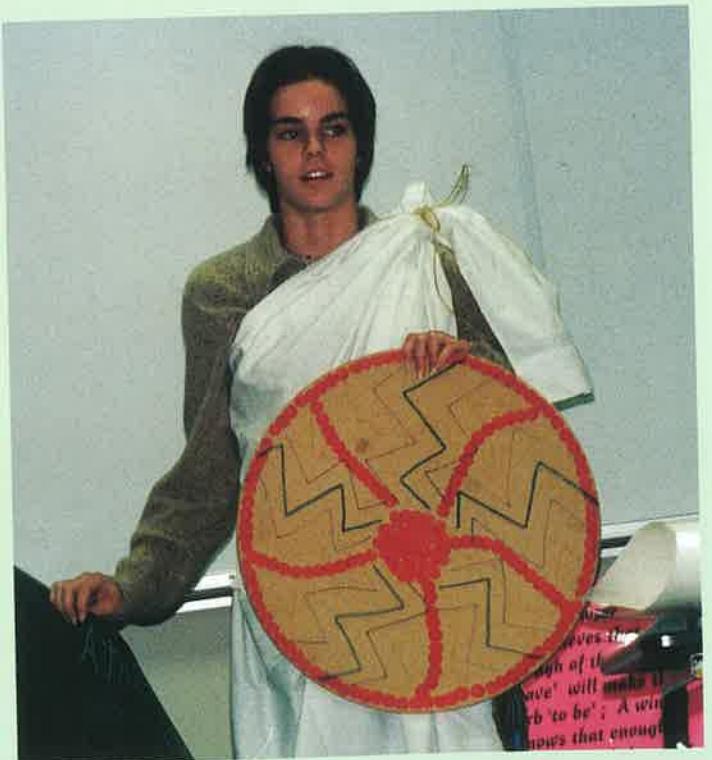
Nick Lund



Jill Lundgren



Jovanae Lureen



"TOGA! TOGA!" Sporting the Greek look, senior Nicole Gilberts plays Artemis during English.

## Expressing the right to be yourself

West Fargo High School was a great place to expand a student's mind and learning abilities, as well as to gain more knowledge about life. Some of the most important values and lessons in life didn't come from a textbook.

"No matter what everyone else is doing, always be yourself, and who cares if you're different," senior Alicia Mills said.

At WFHS there were many ways for students to express themselves through sports, academics, drama, and many other co-curricular activities.

Senior Sabrina Mellem said the most important thing she learned was to accept everyone just the way they were.

Students and teachers seemed willing to help each other, as well as new students in every way that they could. Making new friends was a great experience for most stu-

dents at WFHS.

"I met a lot of people I never thought I would be friends with, but I'm glad I did," senior Jamie Hendrickson said.

Most students agreed WFHS was a great place to get an education. According to senior AanaLeah Shaw, being nice to everyone and just having fun was the best way to bring out the good in people.

At WFHS students gained a sense of achievement and responsibility through their individual successes and goals.

Senior Jodi Sailer felt there was one idea for all Packers to remember. She said that if you want something done, don't depend on other people to do it for you!

By Julie Sprenger



Sara Majkezak



Jon Manske



Jessica Marohl



Terri Meberg



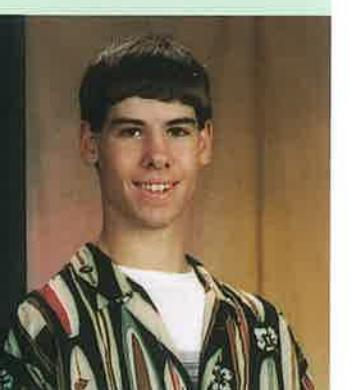
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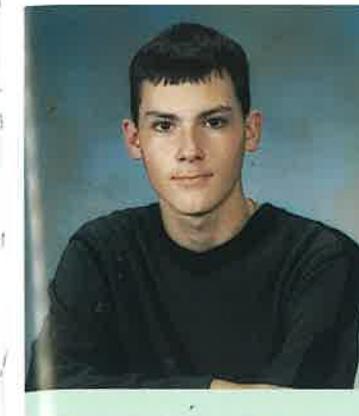
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Amy Mischke



Josh Odden



Chad Ohnstad



Bryan Olson



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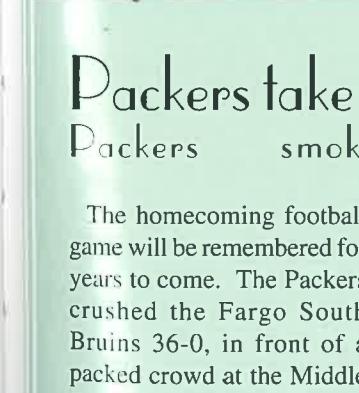
Stephanie Nelsen



John Nelson



Dara Neuschwander



## Packers take over homecoming Packers smoke Bruins 36-0

The homecoming football game will be remembered for years to come. The Packers crushed the Fargo South Bruins 36-0, in front of a packed crowd at the Middle School field on September 17. On a remarkable note, senior Caleb Johnson's 90 yard kickoff started the game. After that, the offensive and defensive lines of the Packers took over.

"We really out-muscled them up front," senior Ross Brennan said.

Quarterback David Schultz drove the Bruins down to the five-yard line. It was first down, goal to go, and Schultz's pass to receiver Marc Steckler was tipped and

intercepted by linebacker senior Pat Dardis.

"Our control of the line of scrimmage and our secondaries' ability to shut down their passing game was a huge factor in our victory," assistant coach Ross Richards said.

The score was 14-0 at halftime. In the second half West Fargo continued to dominate. Brennan finished the night with one kick return and two passing touchdowns. Senior quarterback Marcus Urlaub went 3-15 for 46 yards, with no interceptions and two touchdown passes. He also had 19 carries for 90 yards. The Packers last score came on a 23 yard run by junior Marcus Guscette to make the final score of the game 36-0. Guscette loved



**Driver, take me away.** During the football game, Homecoming candidates seniors Brady Oterness and Sally Larson cruise by the crowd.

running the score up.

"It was good because it showed how we slaughtered them!" head coach Jay Gibson said.

"You have to have a great effort against South to beat them, and it made for a great homecoming for everyone," Gibson said.

The 1999 Homecoming game

between these two teams will be one to remember, a hard fought game with the Packers coming out on top. There couldn't have been a better way to put the finishing touches on a great week at WFHS.

By Jason Dyrda



Tiffani Nirschl



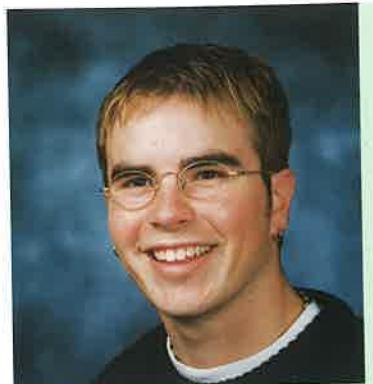
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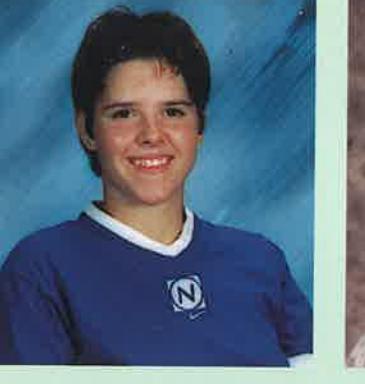
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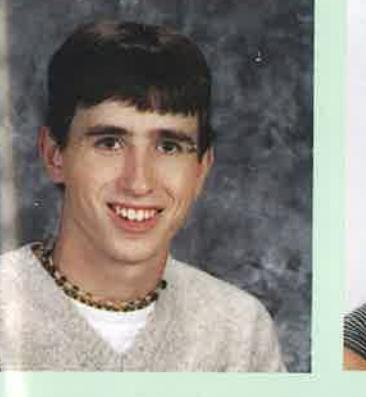
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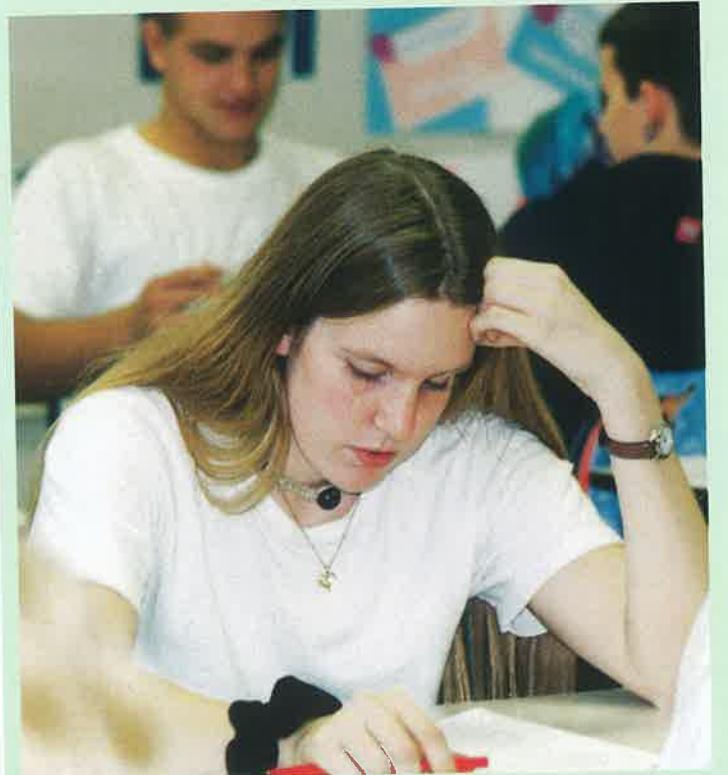
Mason Rector



Erica Redlinger



Jesse Reese



I can't believe I'm actually awake!  
Correcting a paper, senior Diane Kasowski tries to keep her eyes open.

## Aiming high, going for top gold

Did you know that West Fargo has students that participated in equine activities? Two students who did are seniors Sara Majkrzak and Patty Krogh. Riding horses took a lot of stamina and many hours of preparation. Just like any other sport, there was definitely stress. Stress was a major factor, especially if an athlete had to worry about something other than themselves.

"If your horse gets sick or hurt before a rodeo is what causes me a lot of stress," Krogh said. Preparation was a factor in any activity.

"I ride at least four days a week," Krogh said. "I need to have that three day resting period so my horses and I don't get worn out."

"I try to ride at least once a day," Majkrzak said. Just like other sports, there are

rituals that were performed. "I have to wear my Champion socks!" Krogh said.

"I give my horse 'pop rocks' and Mountain Dew," Majkrzak said.

The accomplishments of these two girls were greatly numbered. Some of Krogh's accomplishments included going to a national competition, while Majkrzak led North Dakota in showmanship.

As in every other sport, goals had to be made.

"Making it back to Nationals next summer in Springfield, Illinois," Krogh said.

"I am trying to win 'Rookie of the Year,'" Majkrzak said.

With all the hard work put in over the season, these girls anticipated positive experiences for the upcoming year.

By Kelsey Tande



Brianne Regan



Katie Reichert



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Julie Rekken



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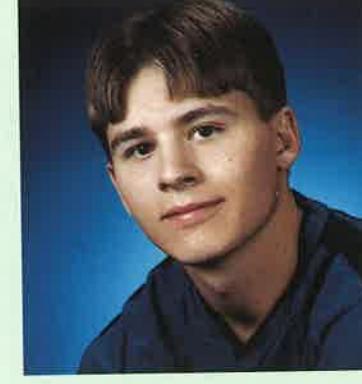
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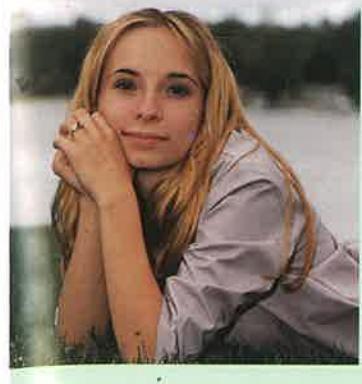
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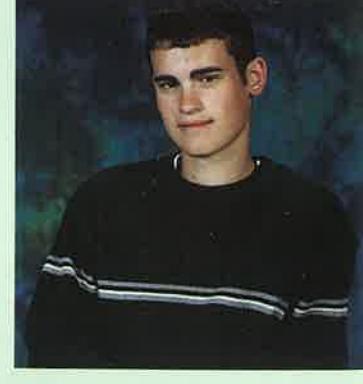
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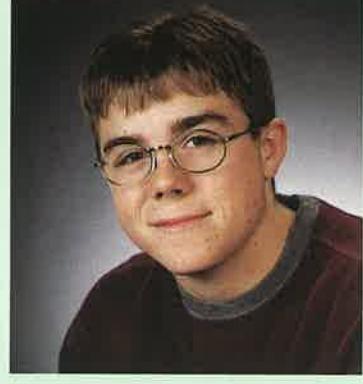
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Terrie Schultz



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Mike Scott



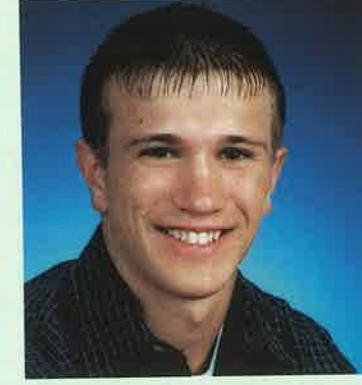
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Jodi Sailer



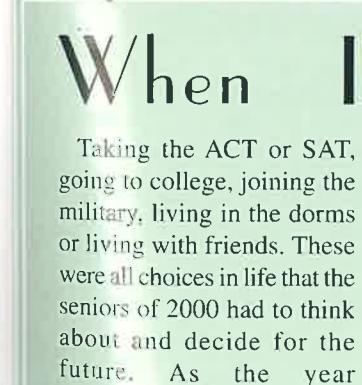
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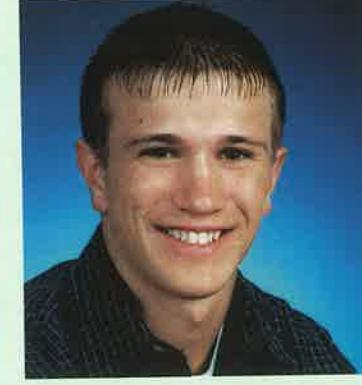
Brent Sayler



Cory Sayler



Todd Schaffer



Mindy Scheidegger



Brooke Schempp

## When I grow up I want to be...

Taking the ACT or SAT, going to college, joining the military, living in the dorms or living with friends. These were all choices in life that the seniors of 2000 had to think about and decide for the future. As the year progressed, most seniors started to think deeply about what they wanted to do after high school. Others had their lives planned out since they were juniors or even younger. Still, some waited until just the last minute to make up their minds.

"Last year I started thinking about being an art teacher, so I think I might go to MSU for four years and get my teaching degree," senior Kim Freed said.

Some seniors were scared to

attend college and spend four or five more years learning more useless things," senior Matt Dondoneau said.

The seniors will always have memories of taking notes almost everyday in so many classes. Going to prom, football games, basketball games, and going out to eat with friends all played a role in the lives of the seniors. Now all that was left was to think about the future and what the graduates wanted to do after high school.

Many of the seniors of 2000 had waited for the year for so long and when it came they didn't want it to end.

A few seniors felt high school was not a very important part of their lives. "I have spent thirteen of the prime years of my life learning things that I don't think I'll ever need. But I still want to

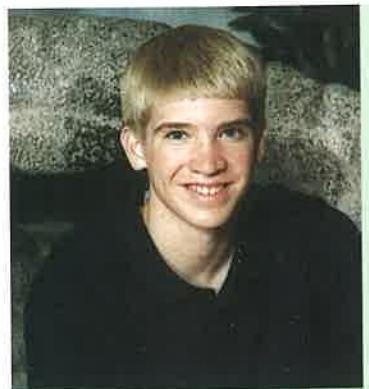
I would like to move to Germany," senior Mirela Bikic said.

On the other hand, others thought about taking time off and then attending college. "I am going to go to Northwest Tech to take some business classes, but first I would just like to take off a few months," senior Scott Huson said.

For many seniors the goal after high school was to attend college, get a good job, and of course make a lot of money.

"After high school I'm going to be a bull rider and join the circus. Then I will go to medical school and become a doctor and make more money than the President," senior Nick Lund said.

By Tasha Baker



Adam Silbernagel



Heather Sistad



Sarah Skallet



Kerri Smith



Samantha Steichen



Jason Streed



Ryan Swensen



Jamie Swenson



Jackie Solberg



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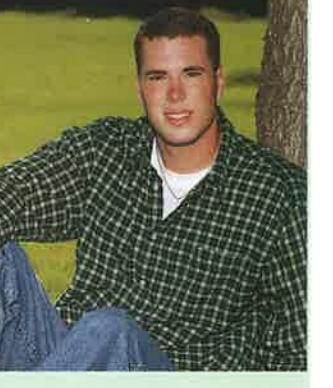
Renee Swiontek



Tammy Syverson



Kelsey Tande



Brent Tehven



If I smile big enough will you give me an A? Hoping for a good grade, senior Emily Tintes flashes a grin for the teacher.

### Graduating

Your 13 years go by so fast,  
Hold on to the memories and make them last.  
The ups and downs that make you happy and sad,  
No matter what they are, good memories you had.

From kindergarten to senior year,  
It's all over now, your time is here.  
Just think these were the good ol' days,  
Friends move on miles away,

You never forget them no how no way.

You sit back and remeince,  
You remember your friends, the first person you  
kissed,

First time you drove to school,  
You thought all these things were really cool.

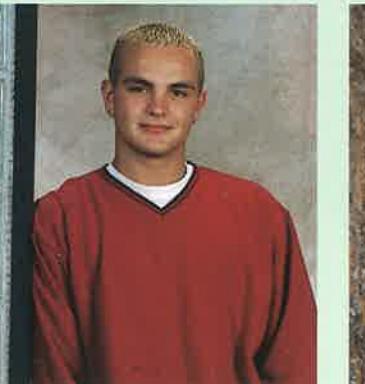
Now they are put in the past,  
Graduation day will be the last closing story, to  
your school years, wipe those tears.

because you're happy to be done,  
tears cause your sad, it seems like it just begun.  
Time to move on keep the memories livin' on,  
To all graduates may your class be the bomb.

By Jennifer A. Finch



Ida Thomas



Joshua Thomas



Krista Thorson



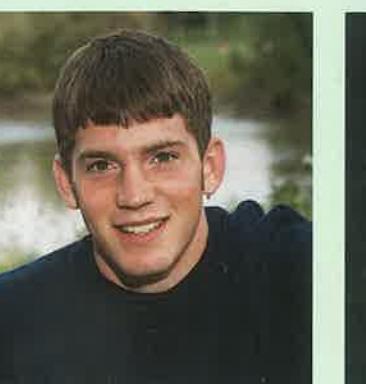
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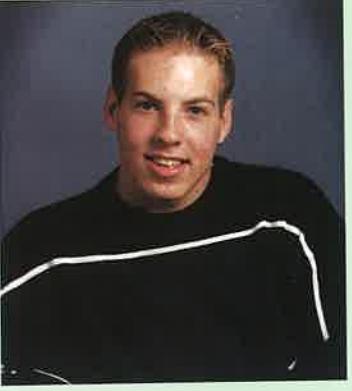
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Darcy Walth



Chris Wanzek



Melissa Weil.



Alicia Weishaar



Nick Westberg



Melissa Williams



Nicole Williams

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Raymond Barningham

Bryant Beaton

Christine Conrad

Lee Davidson

Dale Disher

Kassondra Espenson

Patricia Evans

Craig Fowler

Robi Gravely

Shawn Harstad

Gregg Hoffman

Perry Hopper

Jesse Jensen

Dave Johnson

John Jore

Eric Keck

David Kees

Lucas Kelley

Leila Kurle

Phuc Le

Sarah Lelm

Ryan McPherson

Nicole Mortenson

Caleb Nelson

Nick Ostrom

Curtis Pearson

Shaun Pederson

Mandy Perna

Neal Stein

Inna Verisov



Tom Wilm



Kacie Wollitz



What did you just say? Turning around to answer, senior Rachel Samuelson takes a second to think.



**Cheese!!!** Smiling for the camera, senior Emily Tintes shows her teeth.



Can we get this thingamajigger working? Working on parts in the rec room, seniors Josh Homan and Neal Stein get on task.



Oh that is sooo adorable! Giving a smiley response senior Adrianna Anderson chats with NHS members.

## Keep your motor running

Polaris, Ski-Doo, Yamaha, Briggs and Stratton: all these are known factory names in the Recreational Engines class. Rec Engines, a class that teaches the basic fundamentals of two and four stroke engines, is taught by Mr. Jerry Nordstrom.

Rec Engines gives students experience in mechanics, enabling them to work on personally owned vehicles. After High School, a student could pursue a career out of Rec Engines by attending a tech school to obtain a four year degree.

Nordstrom said, "This class is designed to teach the students in a different way than most classes. Students spend

time in the classroom as well as the shop."

Senior Bryant Beaton feels the class is very beneficial. "I have learned basic engine components by disassembling and reassembling combustion engines," he said.

In class, students work on assigned projects, as well as personal vehicles.

"I like all of the hands on experience that you get," senior Stan Goldstone said.

Rec Engines is a special class which gives students the skills needed to know basic and challenging mechanical repairs. "Rec Engines will definitely help me. It will save me money on repairs," senior Ryan Swensen said.

By Matthew Greseth

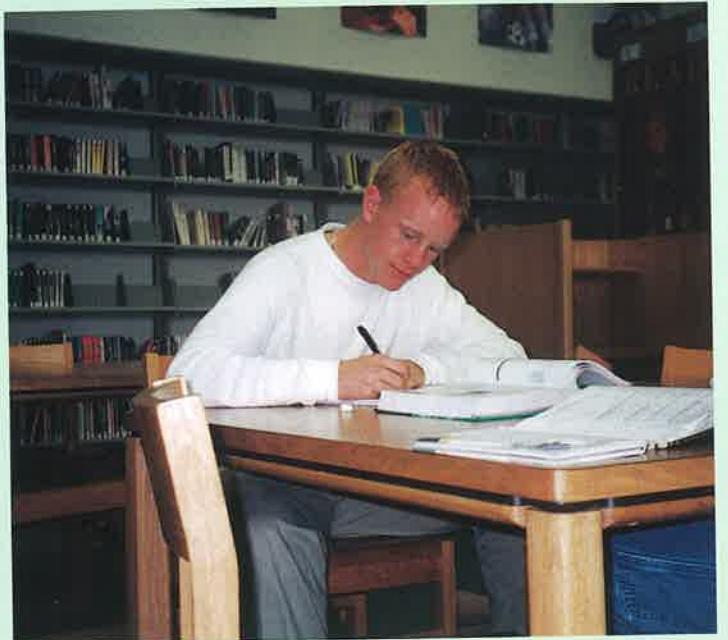


Watch carefully. During Rec Engines class, senior Matt Greseth takes the oil pan off of an engine while his fellow classmates look on.

# Foreign exchange students enjoy life in different atmosphere.

**MX+B=Y** I think. Concentrating hard on his Algebra II, senior Aleksander Tysseng, works on a tough problem.

**Oh no! Was that suppose to happen?** Working on a lab in science Lucilia Furtado, works hard at accomplishing her challenge.



## Foreign exchange students from many countries brought interesting opinions to different lives

Martina, Simone, Ingjerd, Lucilia, and Aleksander. None of these are names found in that good old movie "Fargo", but somehow they were all a big part of the cultural diversity in our school.

These foreign exchange students came from all around. They were expected to know English well enough to order for themselves, take notes, and many other daily things that we find so insignificant.

Imagine going to a new school and everyone speaks near perfect German, Spanish, or Norwegian. Your chances of finding someone who speaks your language are very slim. This is what the foreign

exchange students went through every day. With them in our classes, we had the opportunity to learn about their school, restaurants, and other little things.

"I never even realized all the things that we take for granted in our knowledge," junior Carla McLean said. "When I think of all the things they need to know it is really amazing."

Simone Vogels, from Holland, explained that they have levels in her school. Before a student even starts high school they must know exactly what they want to do as their adult job. When she came to our school she had already graduated from her high school. Since she wanted to be a teacher

she only needed a few years of high school.

Martina Heinle, from Germany, said, "This school is way too crowded and you have no time in between your classes." In Germany they have breaks in their schedule where they can go outside and talk with friends and just relax. There the students stay in their rooms while the teachers switch classrooms.

Both Ingjerd Soras and Aleksander Tysseng, from Norway, agreed that their schools were very different from our school, but not unlike those in Germany.

Lucilia Furtado informed students that, in Brazil, they also stay in one room and the teachers switch

By Marissa Krzmarzick



**Must you take that now.** While sitting at lunch, senior Simone Vogels, gives a smirk to the camera.

**No, it is more of a pawing action.** Preparing for French class, senior Ingjerd Soras, tells a story.



**I think I like America.** Dancing with her dance partner, senior Lucilia Furtado, enjoys a little slow dance.

**Hey! Did I say you could take my picture?** Caught a little off guard, senior Martina Heinle, tries to sneak in a quick smile.

# SENIOR PLANS

Greg Haakenson—Sleep.

Jon Manske—Go to Moorhead State to work on an art degree, and work.

Rico Schwave—Go to school and play football, and get a major in computer science.

Matt Faller—Well, since I've been a sophomore, I've been looking forward to graduation, moving away from home, and going to UND to party with the best of them!

Sarah Nygaard—I plan on attending college, possibly NDSU and working. I will go to school for psychology to become a dream therapist.

Jess Floan—After graduation I would like to get my apprenticeship for body piercing and move to Oregon to open my business.

Tacina Birrenkott—I will attend Josef's school of Hair and probably be a nanny for a year.

Jason Dyrdahl—I will go to UND.

Maggie Asmund—I am attending Jamestown College to go into pre-med, and I will play volleyball there.

Nick Larson—I am going to go to college and play sports for that college.

Kacie Wollitz—I plan to go to NDSCS for secretarial.

end of the day I will change and go dancing.

Jill Lundgren—I will attend Bethel College in St. Paul, MN.

Brandon Gustafson—I will go into chemical or pharmaceutical science.

Tasha Baker—After graduation I am moving out on my own, getting a job, and then

Llonna Burbidge—I am going to move to Colorado and study alternative medicine.

Jodi Sailer—My plans after high school are to go to college and continue gymnastics.

Mike Biewer—I will go to college at MSU.

John Nelson—I am going to go to college at the University of North Dakota.

Casey Amundson—I will go play basketball, undecided where, and major in business.

Karen Olson—I am planning on attending NDSCS in Wahpeton and then on to Palmer

College of Chiropractics. After

that I'm hoping to pick up my uncle's practice which is near the Chicago area.

Colin Eide—Taking over the business world!

Kelsey Tande—I plan on going to college and going into elementary education.

Lisa Elless—After graduation I plan to go to the Colorado School

of Mines, to be a nuclear physicist ski bum.

Dustin Jevne—I plan on attending MSU for 2 years and then

Northwest Tech for another 2 years. From there on...smooth sailing.

Leila Kurle—I will take a year off, sleep in, and travel the world.

Then go the Virgin Islands for job corps then to college for a second profession.

Erin Tranby—I'm attending Moorhead State, with a double major in elementary

education and early childhood education.

Pat Dardis—I will go to college, have tons of fun and maybe study a little engineering.

Sally Larson—I will go to Concordia or St. Ben's and major in physical therapy.

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kind of like Cosmo, only better. And I will get married and be very rich and very, very happy.

Lindsey Larsen—I will begin my unexplainable journey by becoming a photographer-making a book on old people and taking outdoor

pictures, then finally open my own massage therapy spa.

Darcy Walth—I'm going to go to a Tech school to become a

Jamie Grant—I plan to attend college, open my own music store and tour with the band

Jesus was a Jedi, as the bassist.

Becky Koppelman—I plan to go to college, marry a wonderful man, and live happily ever after.

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Travis Ekren—I will go to UND to study wildlife biology.

Brady Otterness—I am going to go into the navy and be a successful jet mechanic.

Erik Hansen—I plan to attend Central Arizona College for two years and then transfer elsewhere. I hope someday to run my own golf course.

Christina Clancy—I plan on going to NDSU for zoology, get married, swim with dolphins. Then at the

going to MSU. Todd Schaffer—Pizza-beer phase, oops, I mean college.

Jeremiah Sapp—I plan to enlist in the U. S. Coast Guard.

Kerry Smith—I will attend MSU and get a major in social work and then eventually counseling while still a volunteer at the Rape and Abuse Crisis Center.

Katie Reichert—I am going to basic training this summer then attend UND in the fall of 2000.

Karen Olson—I am planning on attending NDSCS in Wahpeton and then on to Palmer

College of Chiropractics. After

that I'm hoping to pick up my uncle's practice which is near the Chicago area.

Colin Eide—Taking over the business world!

Kelsey Tande—I plan on going to college and going into elementary education.

Lisa Elless—After

graduation I plan to go to the Colorado School

masseuse, after that I'm going to go back to college at NDSCS to be in mortuary sciences to own a funeral home.

Amanda Lipp—I plan on going to the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

this fall. I hope to major in physical therapy.

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plan on attending University of Minnesota-Morris. I'm majoring in astronomy or political science and play soccer.

Brent Tehven—I am going to NDSU to play football.

Dan Harbeke—I am going to Creighton University and hopefully being successful in business, and hopefully getting a job in politics.

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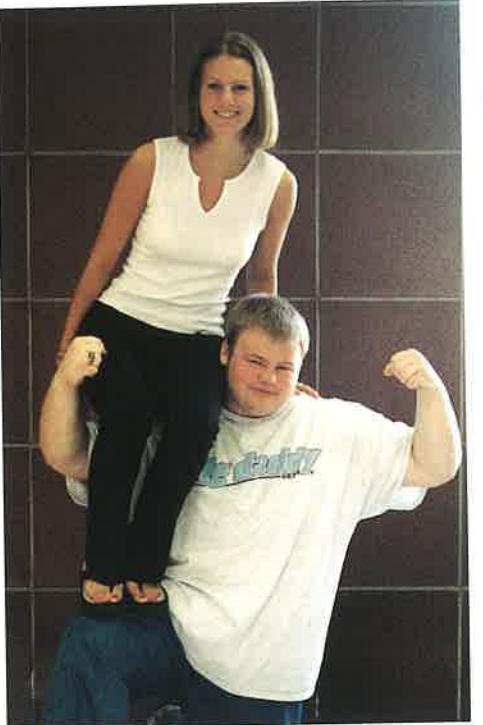
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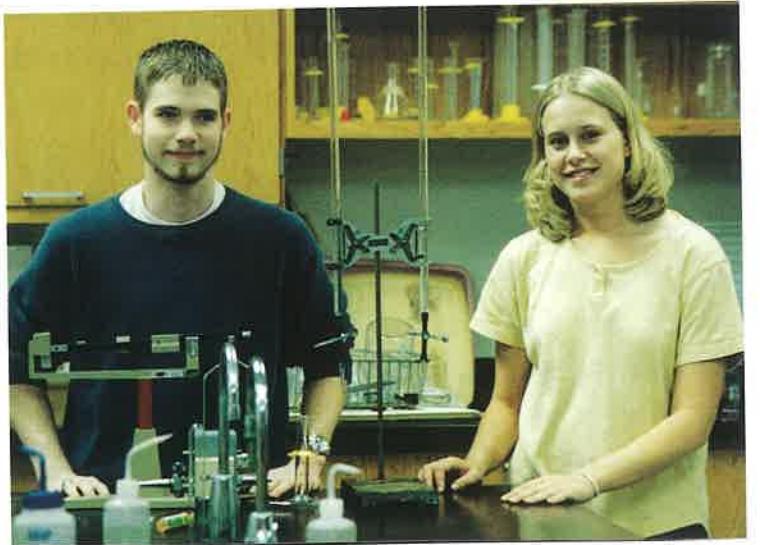
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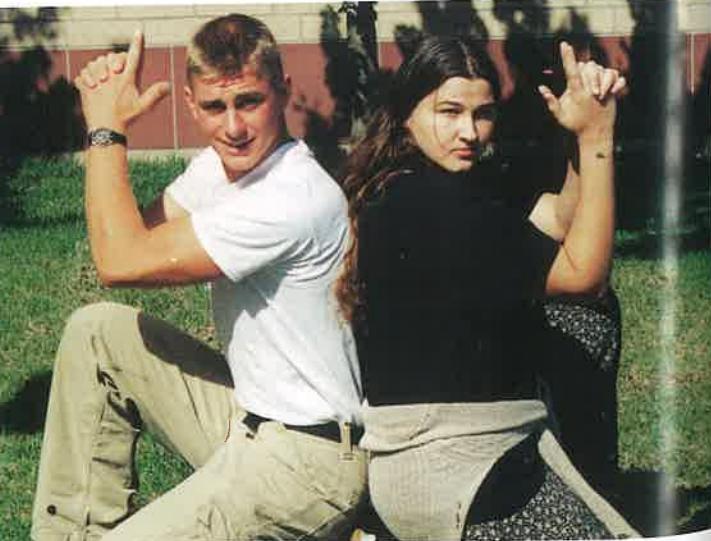
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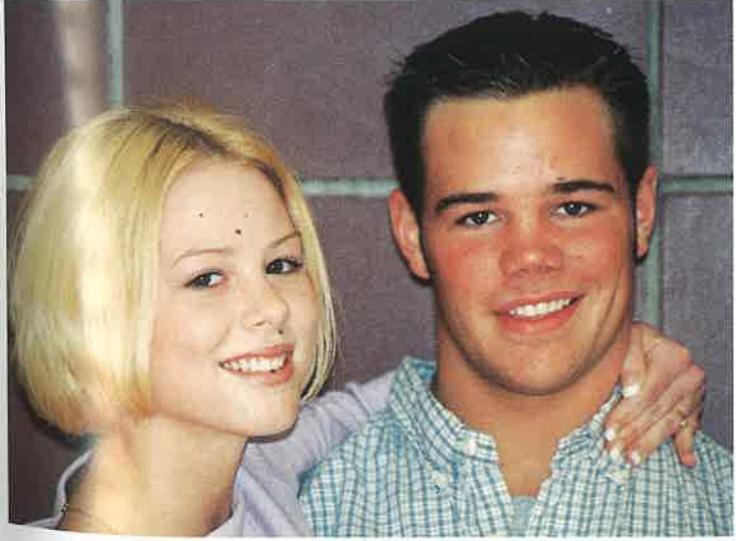
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Most likely to become a war hero:  
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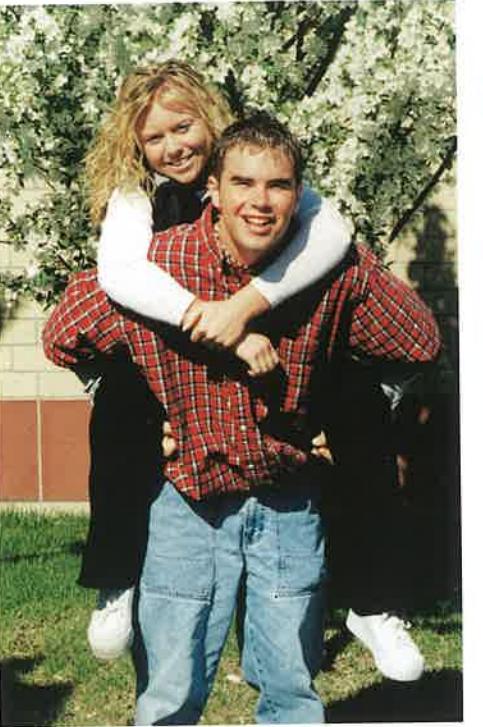


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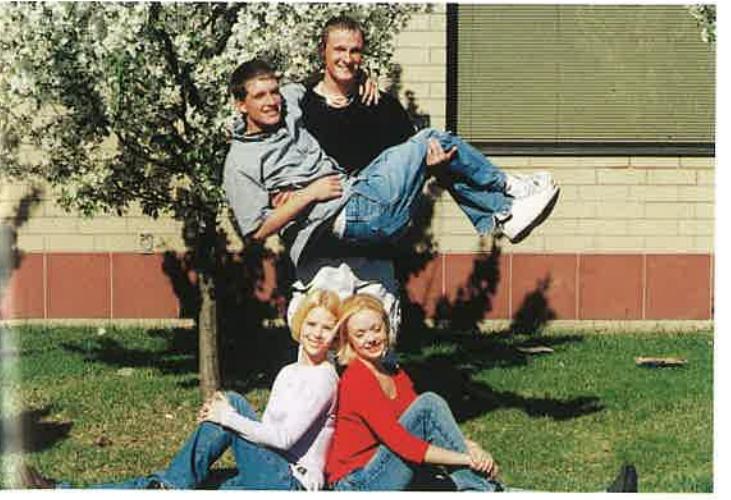
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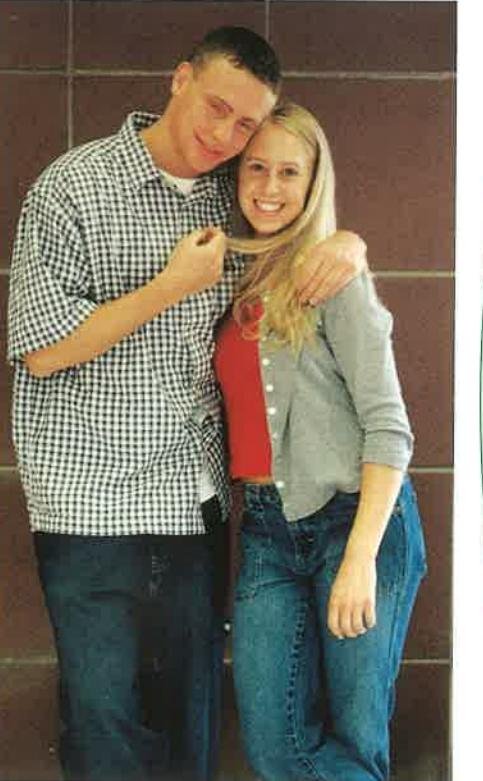
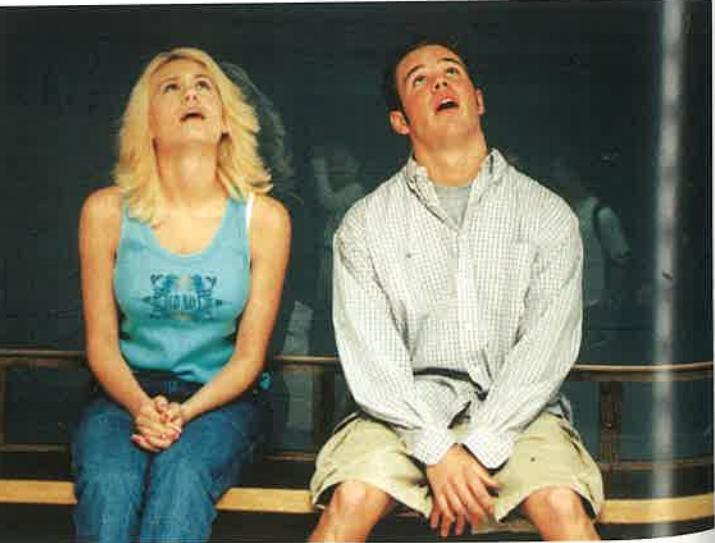
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Most Shy:  
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Most  
Dramatic:  
Ashley Parrow and Dan Rolle



Most  
Flirtatious:  
Leisha Ihry and Casey Amundson

Most Gullible:  
Rachel Samuelsen and Egan Hanson

Most Opinionated:  
Keziah Keller and Colin Eide

# J U N I O R S



**What's an eponychium?** While taking an extensive anatomy test, junior Kristin Thompson takes her time figuring out a difficult question.



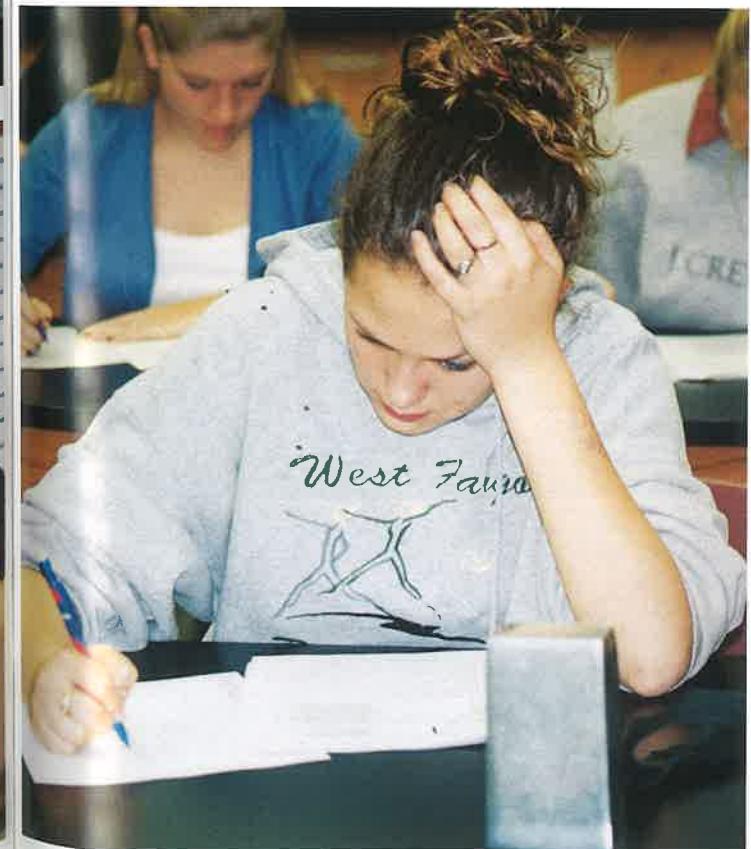
**This pen smells good!** While getting quotes for her story, junior Catie Loney takes a sip of her pop.

**Exactly!** Giving her point of view, junior Melissa Kirklewski shares her light-hearted smile.



**This lip gloss tastes funny!** While in a deep conversation juniors Catie Loney and Marissa Krzmarzick share their thoughts.

**You want me to do what?!** Preparing to cream the seniors, juniors Amanda Dahl, Leah Brekke and Kelly Hanson mark themselves for victory.



**Take that, Superman!** While walking in the hallway, junior Matt Dehnert takes a moment to strike a pose.

**I know this!** While taking a test, junior Tessa Hilscher quickly writes down an answer before she forgets it.



**WITH THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND EXPERIENCE OF YESTERDAY, THE DREAMS OF TOMORROW, AND THE KNOWLEDGE OF TODAY, THE JUNIORS ARE READY TO STEP INTO THE PLACE OF THE SENIORS BEFORE THEM. THEY HAVE COME A LONG WAY AND HAVE ACQUIRED THE SKILLS NECESSARY TO PROVIDE GREAT LEADERSHIP TO THE GENERATIONS OF JUNIORS BEHIND THEM.**

If I look at it from this angle.... While working on ceramics project, junior Jenny Thompson has some fun.



## TEN INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT WEST FARGO HIGH SCHOOL

YOU ARE OLDER THAN THE BUILDING.

THE SENIORS ARE THE SMALLEST CLASS WITH 317 STUDENTS

IN 1985, A SMALL SCHOOL BANNER WAS ORBITING IN SPACE, WHILE TONY ENGLAND, WFHS GRAD, WAS IN SPACE.

IN THE ORIGINAL BUILDING:

THERE WERE ONLY GRADES TEN THROUGH TWELVE. THE ENGLISH/MATH WING AND THE TECHNOLOGY/VOCATIONAL WING DIDN'T EXIST, BUT WERE ADDED IN 1993. THERE WAS ONLY ONE LOCKER ROOM FOR EACH GENDER.

THE BAND ROOM WAS THE ONLY MUSIC ROOM

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THE FIBEROPTICS INSTALLED OVER THE SUMMER IS AT THE HEIGHT OF TECHNOLOGY IN LOCAL HIGH SCHOOLS.

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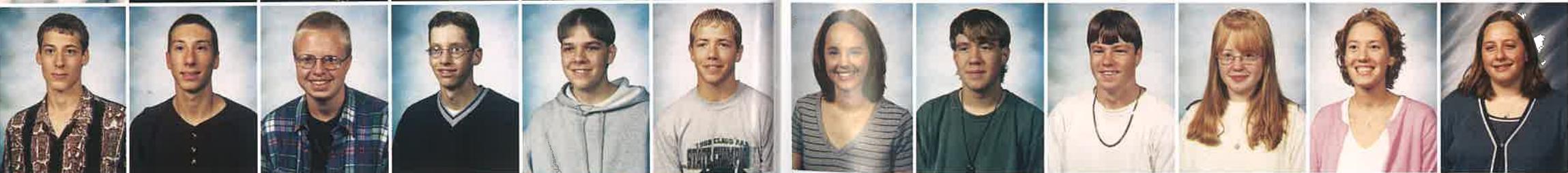
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Lindsay Babb  
David Batcheller  
Kayla Beuchamp



Sarah Becker  
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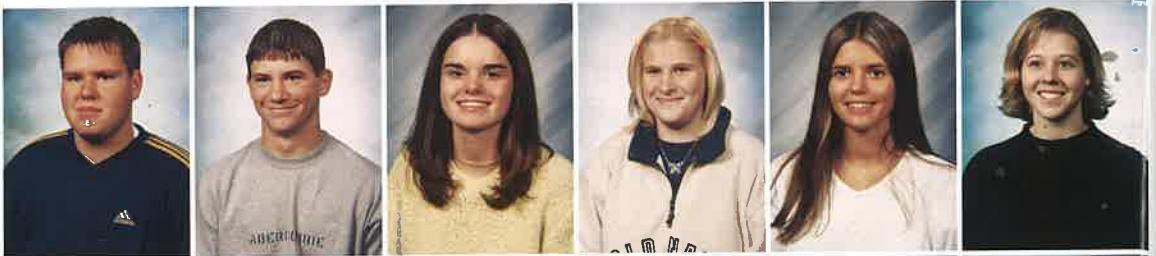
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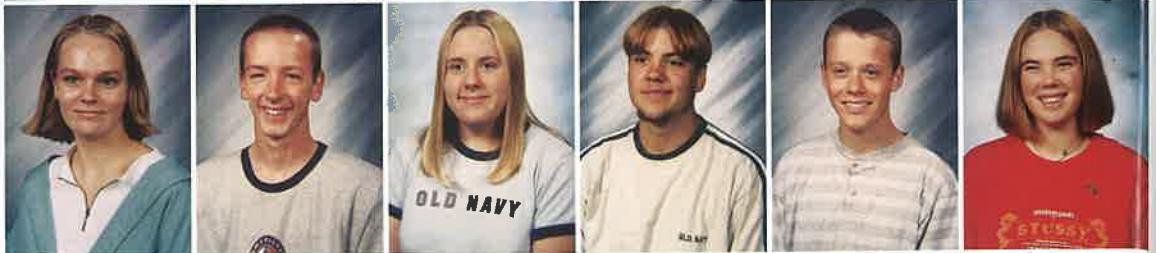
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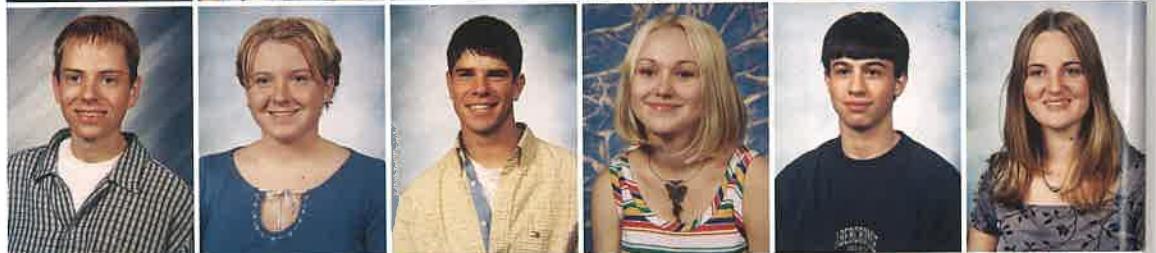
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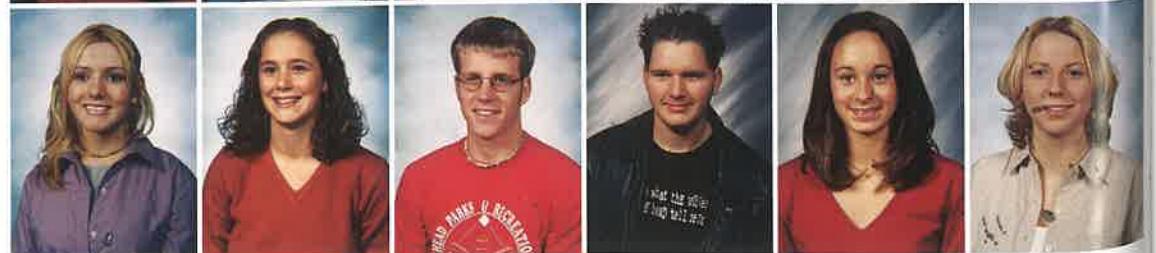
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## SCHOOL EXPANDING, FUTURE OPTION???

Did walking down the narrowing halls of West Fargo High School have you thinking, just how many students are there? Walking from one end of the building to get to a locker between classes takes time. After dropping off and picking up books, a student may realize they only have 45 seconds to get to their next class. Is this possible?

The halls were packed and to keep a steady pace was difficult.

Walking on the right side of the hallways instead of the left trying to fight through the traffic flow seemed to help some of the time.

"There's enough room for kids, but the crowded hallways and stairs bother me," junior Kacie

Hughes said.

South and Eastwood Elementary recently brought in trailer like additions to provide enough room for their students. It was a last minute problem and a temporary solution was made.

"Expansion would be a good thing (for elementary schools) if the problem persists in the years to come," junior Jennifer Weil said.

In the future if numbers continue to increase, the district may have to make decisions as to where and how to make adequate accommodations for students. Until then, crowded hallways and mobile additions will have to suffice.

By Ashley Swensen

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**JUNIOR KATIE  
LARSON**

## STUDENTS TAKE FOREIGN TRIPS OF LIFETIME

Parlez vous Francais? Habla Espanol? This is what the French and Spanish students asked themselves as they prepared for their journeys. The French students went to France and visited places like the Eiffel Tower, Notre Dame, and Versailles Palace. Spanish students went to Costa Rica and toured Guacimo, Turtuguero, San Jose, and much more.

Taking two weeks off their summer vacations, French students put their hard earned money to use. Roughly, their trip cost \$2,600, lasted two weeks and included airfare, food, hotel stays and tickets to any theme parks.

French teacher Mrs. Suzanne Thibert really tried focusing on fundraisers. "Fundraisers will help, but they won't get you there," she told her students. There were also a few requirements to be able to go such as writing an essay on why they should go. The students also needed at least two years of the language.

When the students went to Costa Rica, it cost around \$1,600. Their trip lasted eight days and included the same things as the French trip. Mrs. Kathy Scott said, "The financial part of the trip was the hardest for the kids."

Both Thibert and Scott hoped the kids came back with a better

understanding for the cultures. Scott said, "I hope the kids gain insight to how small the world really is and how easy it is for people to travel."

Thibert thought the trips were full of excitement and she hoped the kids thought so too. Thibert said, "I wanted the kids to come back with a better understanding of themselves and the French culture."

Both trips were full of good times and good memories even though it cost some money. Junior Jennie Claus said, "Overall it was worth it to save up all that money. We had a blast."

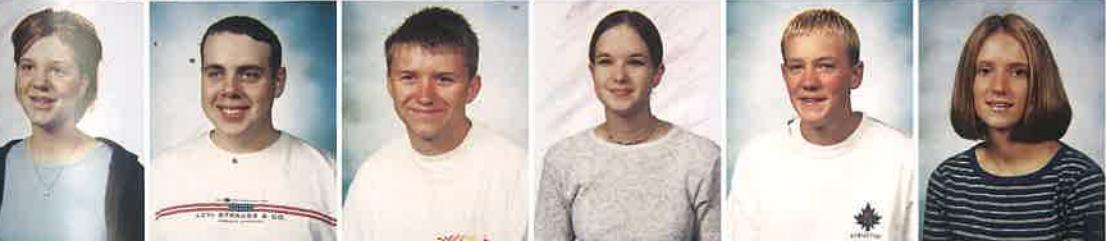
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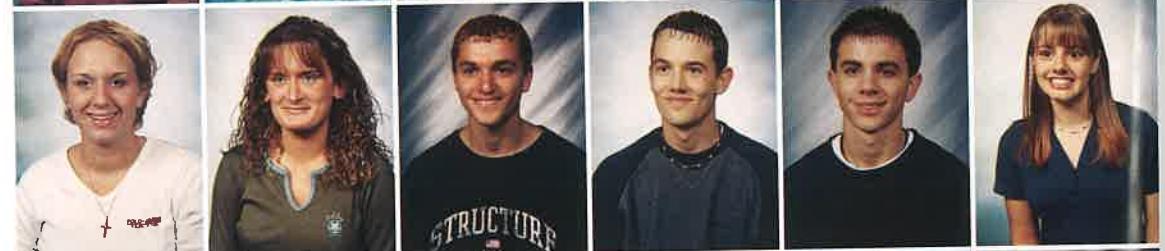
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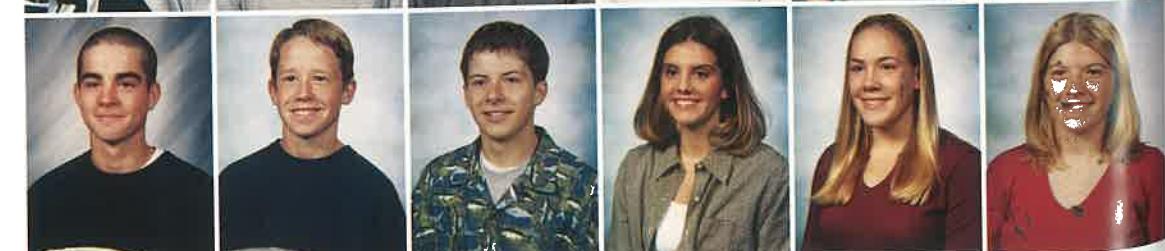
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## RECYCLING OUR SCHOOL

"I won't think about it now, I'll think about it tomorrow," Scarlet O'Hara said trying to avoid reality. It has been a tradition to put off things you can do today until tomorrow.

Most people don't even think about where all their used papers go after they're done with them. As the paper slips out of their hands it becomes someone else's problem.

In the Fargo-Moorhead area there is a total of two recycling companies. The manager at Ken's Recycling said, "It's not expensive to recycle considering on how some people might have to pay more for their garbage to be hauled away."

In the office, the staff has boxes underneath their desks where they keep recycled paper for notes. Mrs. Karen Olson said that a TMH student shreds some of the paper for his job. This makes the paper easier to discard. "His being able to help recycle is important, and that's a big deal," Olson said.

In the Drama department after school, students had collected all of the pop cans from the cafeteria, and thoroughly rinsed out the excess pop. In the back of the school there is a bin where the cans are kept to be recycled. In doing this, the Drama department received the money from the recycled cans.

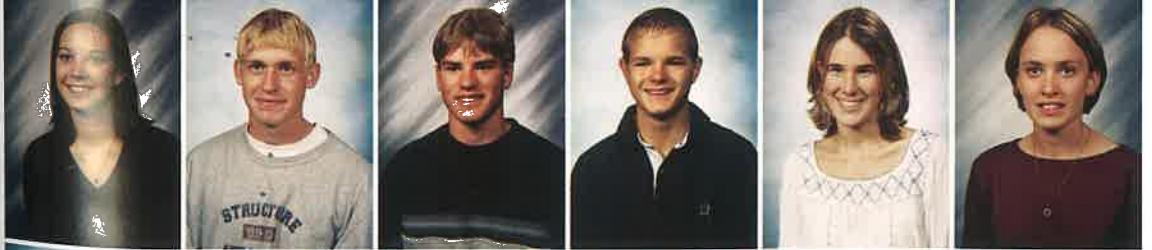
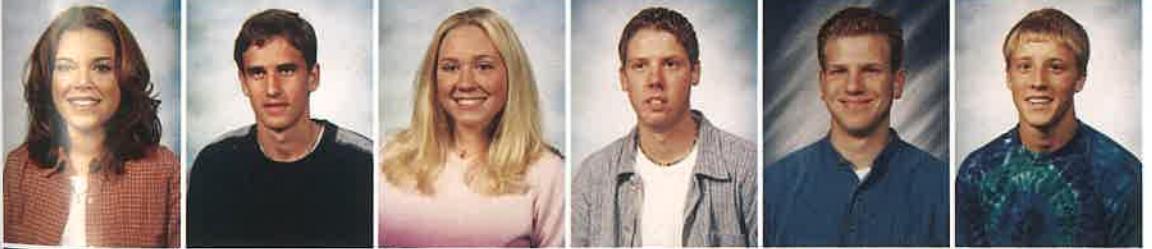
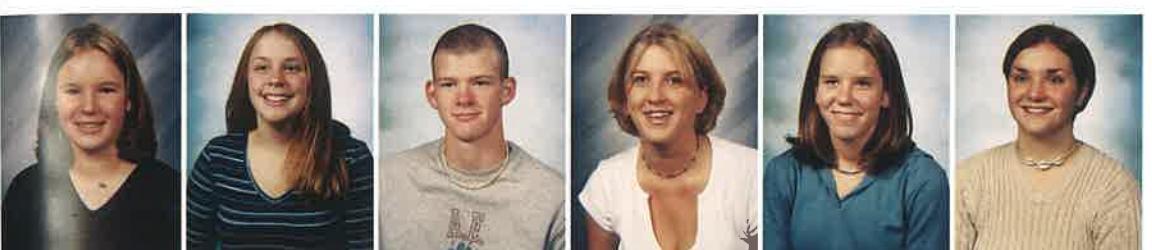
The first step in getting on the

right track is to find out who would contribute. Most likely the students and faculty would be more than happy to participate. As Junior Ashley Olson said, "It's really hard to get something started with no motivation." Most times it is easier to have an idea dropped into your lap rather than thinking it up for yourself.

Most students really do not think about how our school doesn't recycle paper. When introduced to the idea that we should start a recycling program they were for it. Sophomore Luke Niekamp said, "All the way!"

By Jennie Claus

I THINK NORTH  
DAKOTA SHOULD  
HAVE A LAW THAT  
SAYS YOU HAVE TO  
RECYCLE. OTHER-  
WISE, THE WORLD  
IS GOING TO FILL  
UP WITH LAND-  
FILLS.  
JUNIOR SARAH  
MESSNER



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## BOOGIE NIGHTS OR BORING NIGHTS? STUDENT BODY REQUESTS CLUB

WE NEED A  
DANCE CLUB  
WHERE WE  
CAN HANG  
OUT WITH  
FRIENDS AND  
MEET NEW  
PEOPLE.  
--JUNIOR  
AUDREY  
SWANGLER

What does someone do on those Friday nights when the mall is boring, the restaurants are too expensive, and the coffeeshops are too crowded? This is why we needed a dance club.

If there was a dancing club, students would have a place to go on Friday nights.

The club would not welcome alcohol or tobacco in any way, shape, or form. This being, it would be a safe environment for all ages. The clubgoers would be aged from 15 through 20.

This club would be open until 11:00 p.m. for all people under the age of 16 and 12:00 a.m. for all those 16 and over.

There would be a system such as blacklight responsive wristbands. All those over the age of 16 would have wristbands that glowed in blacklight.

When the clock struck 11:00 the employees would turn on the blacklight. Everyone who did not have a wristband that glowed must leave.

"Blacklight wristbands? That would be cool," junior Carly Gatz said to the idea of the wristbands.

Junior Kelly Hanson said, "I think a dance club would be great. Then we would have someplace to go on those boring Friday and Saturday nights." An overwhelming number of West Fargo students

were in favor of a club.

At this club there would also be security. Not to stop the students from having fun but simply to reduce trouble and violence. Junior Carla McLean said, "I think that security would not be needed very often, but it will give students a sense of security knowing they have protection to keep them safe in certain situations."

With the appearance of a club, the group gatherings of teens would diminish because they would have someplace to go at night. So the choice is there. Is it going to be boring or boogie nights?

By Marissa Krzmarzick

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Tara Pesce  
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Desarae Pfeifle  
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John Randall

Kathleen Rankin  
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Lindsey Rhodes  
Lindsey Rice  
Melissa Richard  
Bryan Riedinger

Nicholas Riemer  
Annette Rohman  
Ryan Rood  
Travis Rud  
Anglique Ruikka  
Ryan Rust



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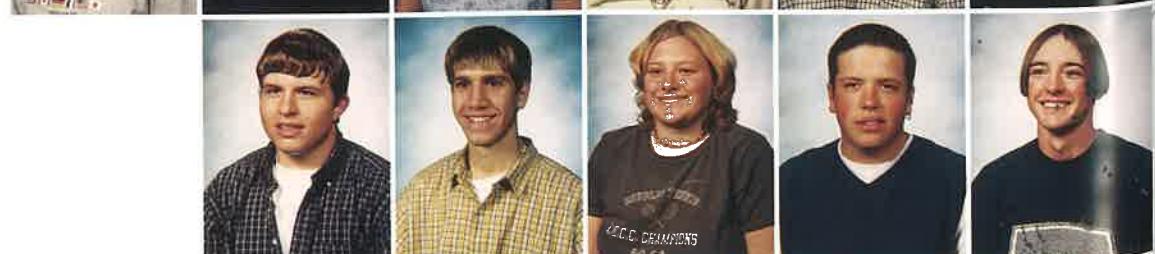
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## "BLAIR WITCH" TOPS HIGH SCHOOL CHART

NINETEEN NINETY-NINE WAS BURSTING WITH EXCELLENT

MOVIES AND CONCERTS. IN AN EFFORT TO DECIDE WHICH

LOCAL MOVIES/CONCERTS WERE HOT SO FAR THIS YEAR, WE

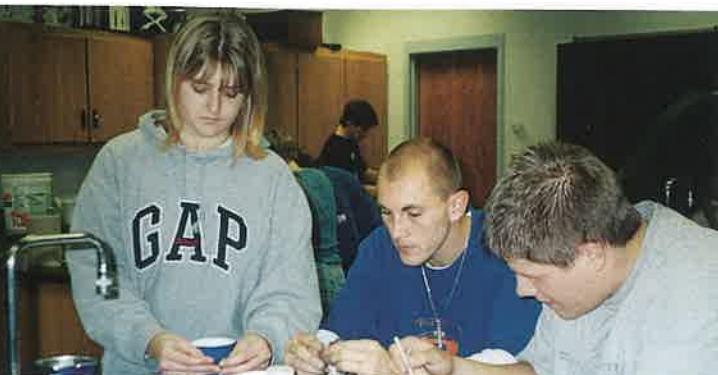
POLLED SEVERAL HOMEROOM CLASSES TO FIND OUT JUST

WHAT CAUGHT THE TEEN EYE. THE BLAIR WITCH PROJECT

AND THE RUNAWAY BRIDE WERE JUST A FEW OF THE MANY

MOVIES THAT CAPTURED TEEN ATTENTION THIS YEAR.

There's got to be something in this stuff! Looking through dirt junior Dalace Hoppe, senior Nick Larson, and junior Joe Dauer try to find something interesting in the soil.



### NOT PICTURED

Sara Campbell  
Collette Colling  
Justin Erickson  
Angela Eyestone  
Jennifer Hirschhorn  
Kristopher Martin  
Kristi Mead  
John Metzger  
Kidd Mischke  
Nicole Murray  
Daniel Olson  
Thomas Ricker  
Michael Schenatzke  
Ryan Schlecht  
Maja Smajic  
Travis Vondal



You're so funny! Laughing at a party senior Simone Vogels enjoys a party at Elmwood Park.

You think you're so smart!! Working together in the commons juniors Greg Anderson, Jason Nitschke, and Mark Veitenheimer try to finish their homework.

Let's find some worms. Feeling the ground Mrs. Sarah Forness teaches her students how to renew the soil.

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**What are you doing?** Laughing at the camera, sophomore Megan Robley smiles for the picture.

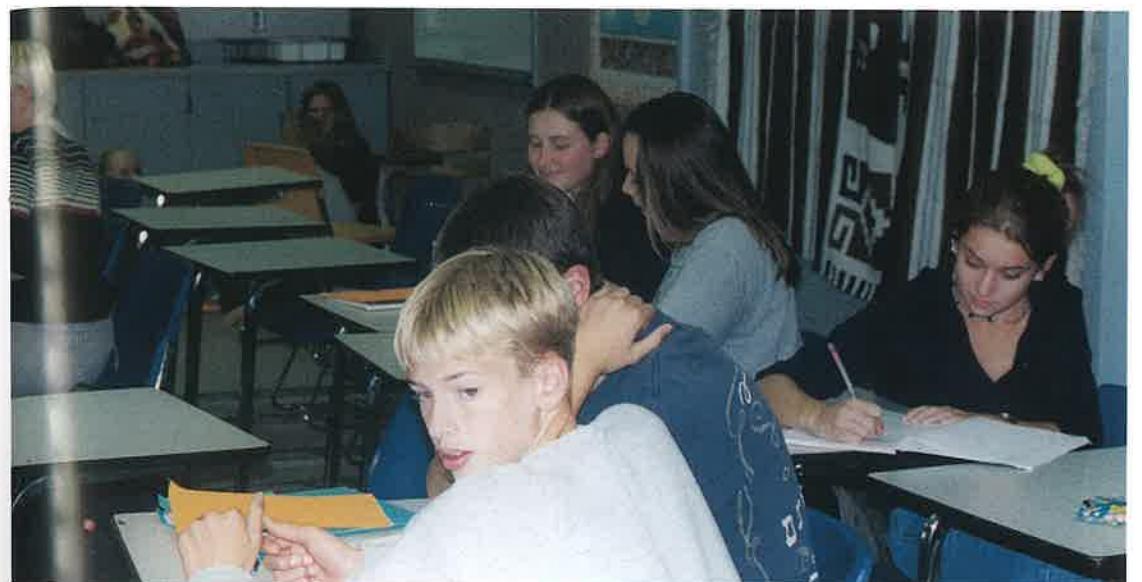


**That is disgusting!** Hangin' out with the sophomores, junior Kim Johnson looks stars as the center of attention.

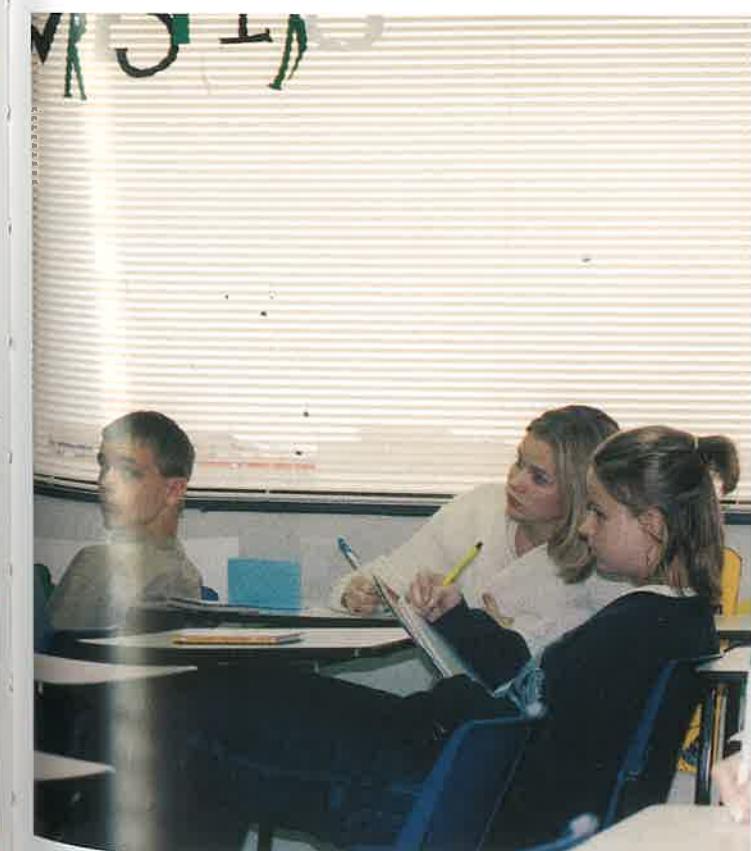
**No picture please!!** Hiding her face from the camera, sophomore Melinda Wyum looks stunned.



**Did you read that line??** Laughing it up, freshman Cody Mueller jokes along with one of his pals.



**Buenos Dias!** Ms. Scotts' spanish class works on a project while eating food in the classroom.



**Leave me alone!!** I have to get this paper typed up by the end of the hour!

**Detailed outline, what is that??** Describing the research papers for the English/Biology report, Mrs. Hollands' class listens with open ears.

GOING FROM  
QUIET FRESH-  
MAN TO LOUD  
SOPHOMORES  
WAS A BIG STEP .  
BEING PART OF  
PACKER PRIDE  
IS A GREAT  
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TO SPORTING  
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WITH THEIR  
PALS EVERY  
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THE UPPPER  
C L A S S M A N  
NEXT YEAR!

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Paige Abraham  
Jody Ackerland  
Joshua Ackerman  
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Betsy Anderson  
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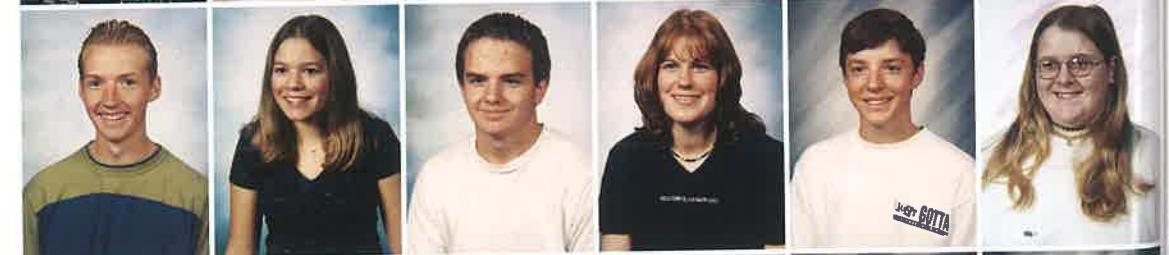
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Bethany Burchfield  
Jeremiah Burger  
Tim Burner  
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Chelce Buzick



## STANDING TALL, BEING DIFFERENT

Have you ever felt like no one understands who you really are? Most everyone has felt like that at one time or another.

"Not everyone believes the same thing." Junior Alexis Hogle said, "It's not our place to hold it against them."

No one should be rejected for thinking differently. It pressures people into pretending to be someone they're not, solely for acceptance. Nobody wants to be left out.

Sophomore Jody Ackerland said, "I hate it when you wear something that isn't 'normal' and that's all you're seen as...an article of

clothing." How a person looks is the main reason they get singled out. It scares people into blending in so they can't be picked on.

English teacher Mrs. Mary Sherman said, "We need to get those stereotypical images out of our heads." Everyone is equal to everyone else.

Junior Angie Eyestone said, "Conformity in school is basically a way to control us." Dress codes are a form of crowd control. That doesn't mean we all have to dress the same. Don't be afraid to be different. It gives each person a unique personality.

By Melinda Wyum



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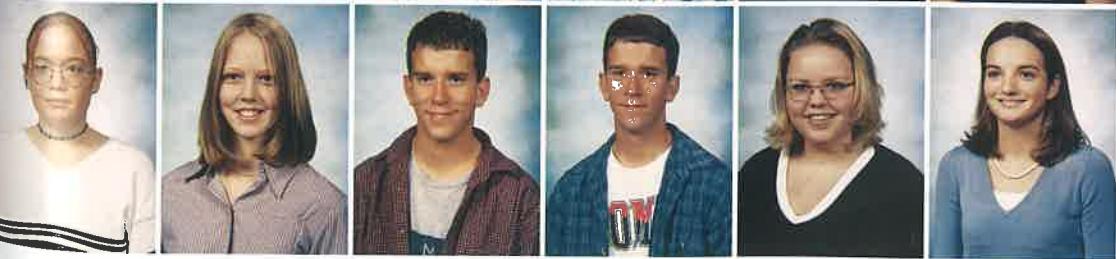
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Michelle Cullen



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Olivia Dahl  
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Michael Dimmer  
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This can't be right. Trying to finish an assignment before the bell rings, sophomore Nick Hill struggles to find an answer.



Catherine Dosland  
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## DID HALLWAY HASSLES CAUSE COMMONS CONFLICTS?

Walking through the hallways, did you ever notice that over-crowding was a major problem? Students realized, when moving from class to class, the constant rudeness experienced in everyday school life.

When were the commons the worst? It seemed as though between classes, before lunch, and after school were the most hectic times.

The student body noticed that the commons was crowded. The tables with upper classmen did not seem to be a problem. On the other hand, a few students thought that standing at the bottom of the

stairs was the latest thing. "I think they should go find somewhere else to sit," sophomore Ashley Williams said.

People standing with friends at various locations was also widespread and more of a conflict.

"They are all over and they won't move," sophomore Melinda Wyum said.

There were different opinions about people standing in the hallways. "It stinks," sophomore Megan Shirley said.

People standing in the hallways was not the fault of a certain class. Everyone shared the blame.

By Megan Robley



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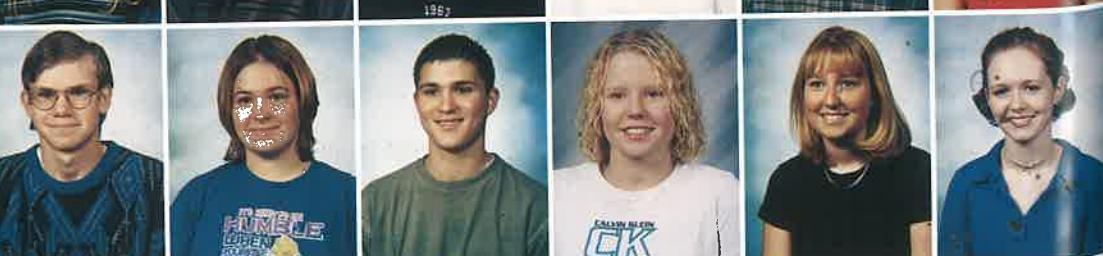
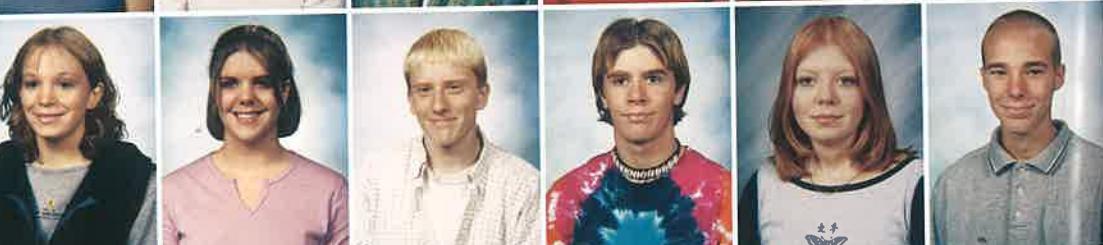
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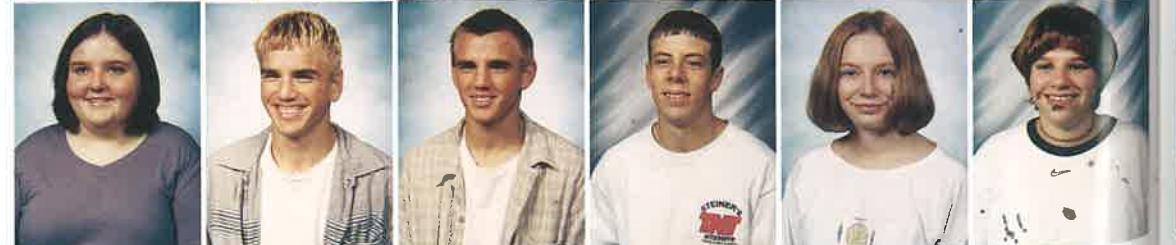
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Robyn Kubista  
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## STUDENTS DREAD YET ANOTHER MORNING OF GETTING OUT OF BED EARLY

Bzzz...Bzzz. Get up, get ready, off to school. Realize there's no good spots in the parking lot, running in to school. Go from class to class as the teachers pile on homework. End of the day finally comes and it's a race to the car. Flipping through stations trying to find a good song. Realizing the day is only half over. Racing off to work, by the time punch out time comes it's late and not much time for homework. When homework's done sleep is inevitable. That's a typical day of a working student. How do students handle

work AND school? Some students say education than career. Junior Carla McLean said, "School always comes first, work always comes second, no matter how much money you think you need." Others just go with the flow. "You just learn to take advantage of the time you have," sophomore Megan Shirley said. Everybody has his or her own way to deal with the stress of everyday life of school and work. Senior Alisha Mills summed it up by saying, "You realize that when you have a day off, that it's valued time."

By Ashley Williams

"Move the chairs back? I don't have any energy!" Looking discouraged, Jacob Lavelle moves his chair back into place.



Shelley Kudelka  
Stephanie Kuehn  
Jasmine L'Ecuyer  
Nicole LaDoucer  
Ben Larson  
Brandon Laufenberg



Sara Lauritsen  
Jennifer Lautt  
Jacob Lavelle  
Charlie LeClair  
Brian Lee  
Stacey Leske



Tara Lettenmaier  
Amanda Lettow  
Connie Linnertz  
Nathan Little Soldier  
Dawn Lizotte  
Tiffany Longmire



Esmeralda Lopez  
Frances Ludena  
Jordan Lugert  
Shannon Lund  
Brandon Mack  
Steven Majkrzak



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**This is hilarious!** Having a reading day, sophomore Deann Roers is concentrating immensely, while sophomore Ann Timmerman finds the story comical.



## HUMILIATION, EMBARRASSMENT TAKES ITS TOLL ON SOPHOMORES

Throughout high school many pressures are put on the backs of students. Things such as "fitting in" and getting good grades are just the beginning, with no room to make a mistake. Embarrassment is sometimes hard to deal with, especially to those who least expect it.

At one time or another, people have done something crazy to cause themselves some embarrassment.

Many incidents can happen in a classroom with peers around, and with all the added attention embarrassment will heighten. In some cases, there is no way to escape the situation.

"While taking a test in Spanish, I

choked on a Bon-Bon," sophomore Dawn Lizotte said. "It looked like I was crying so the teacher said that I could go to the bathroom if I wanted."

Anyone could also be a victim of embarrassment outside of school walls. Fast food joints, malls, and various other public places are subjected to cause humiliation in some way, shape, or form.

"I was going to get someone's fries and the floor was really greasy and I slipped and fell on my butt," sophomore Andrea Watson said.

Considering how hard some people have tried, embarrassment is inevitable.

By Kelsey Tande

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Steven Manney  
Robert Margheim  
James Marohl  
Brock Martinson  
Scott Mathson



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Katie McGaughey  
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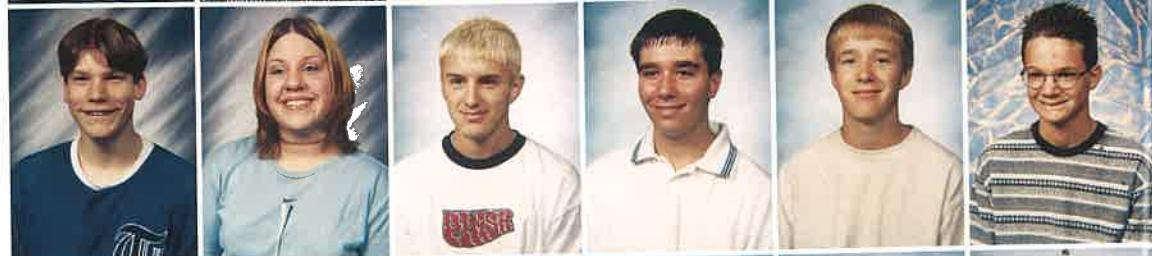
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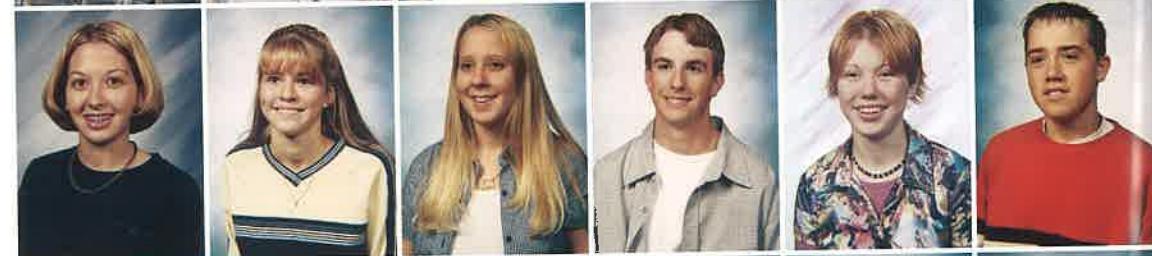
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# OH MY GOSH LOOK AT HER

What does that say? Typing out her story, sophomore Megan Robley tries to figure out what it says.

"Jocks", "Preps", "Nerds", and "Homey-G's" are just a few slang terms for the different social groups throughout the school. Turn your head in the halls and you're bound to see!

Some students don't even notice the groupings.

"It's just a part of high school," senior Kacee Reinsch said. While others look upon the whole issue in a different light.

Freshman Megan Shirley said, "Cliques cause stereotyping, anger, and unfair judgment." Often within these groups if a person doesn't fit the certain "standards" they are either not talked to, made

fun of, or not even noticed.

Although there has been many cliques, most students just couldn't pick one to place themselves in.

Junior Natalie Duncan said, "I don't have a clue!" Many people fulfill different characteristics of the so-called "standards" for each clique.

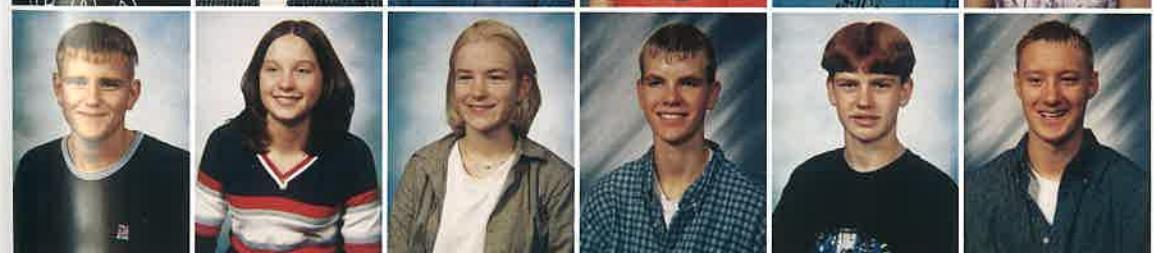
Sophomore Melinda Wyum believed that she fit that category and said there was even a clique for the unsure. She said, "It's the 'freak' group. We're all misfits that don't belong anywhere and just found each other."

Now, groups of friends weren't a

bad thing! Some people have gotten along with others for obvious reasons. Not all people have judged others for the way they dress, act, talk, or look. Sophomore Nancy Karriveau said, "I like them all (cliques). There's just certain people I don't like that are considered to be a part of one."

If everyone looked at the whole issue that way, there would be a lot less stereotyping, but unfortunately the world has never been perfect! The best advice would be to be friends with each individual for who they are not for superficial reasons.

By Jenny Grinde



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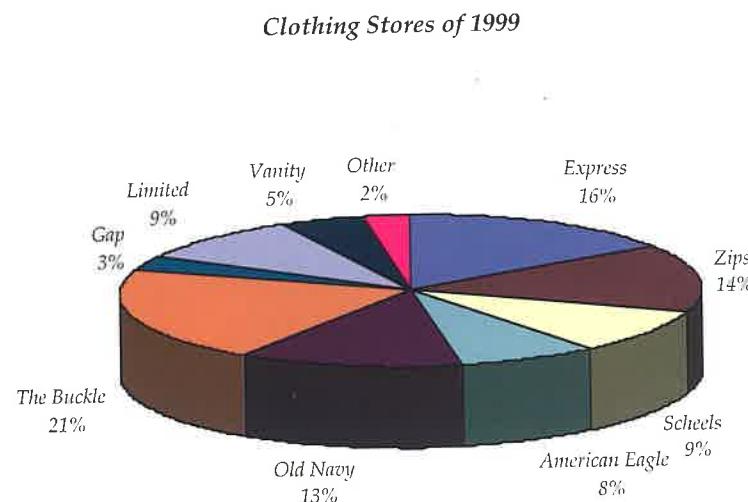
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Sophomores



A poll was taken among the students of West Fargo High School concerning the most popular clothing stores of the school year. Two hundred ballots were randomly handed out, and in them students had to identify the store that was their favorite. When the results came in, it was surprising to see the diversity in people's opinions on clothing. The price, how the clothing made you look, how comfortable something was, and the stylish factor all contributed to people's opinions.

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Nichole Wetzstein  
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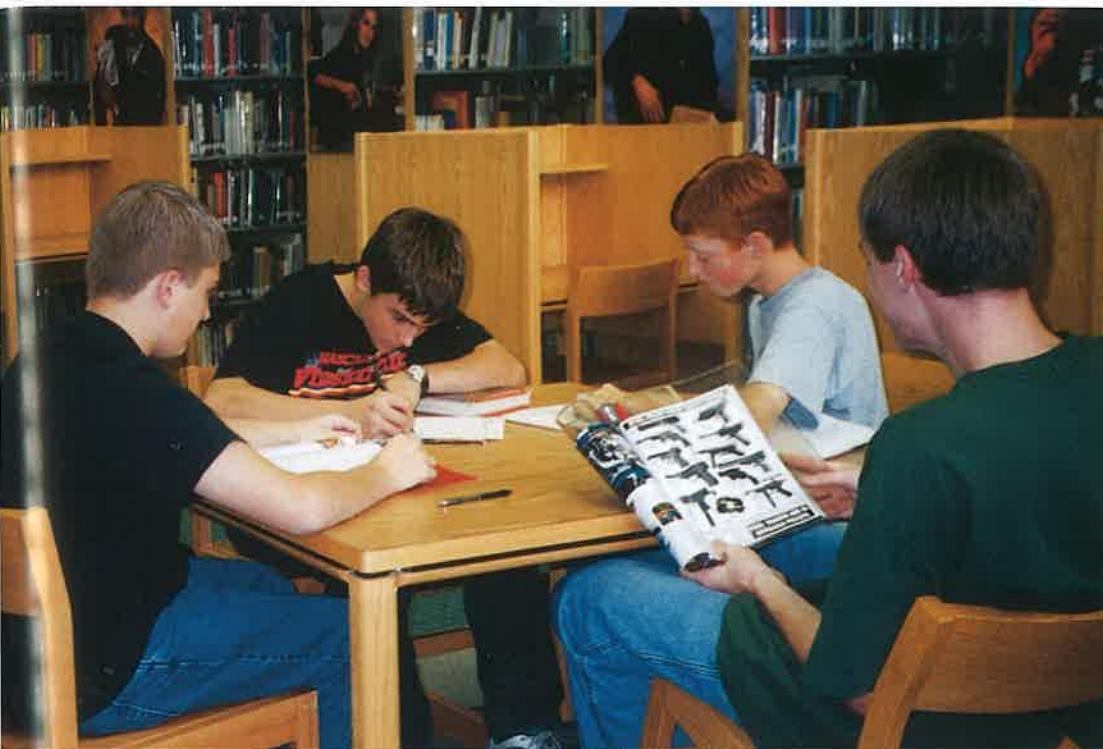
## TRENDY DIVERSITY

Styles of 1999 varied greatly. Students seemed to like clothes anywhere from Old Navy to thrift stores. The main factors in deciding where to shop included the price of clothing, the way the clothing made you look, and the various styles.

Sophomore Kayla Disher said she likes to shop at Target because, "It's cheap and if you wear Tommy socks with their shoes they look expensive."

It was surprising to see how many students preferred the less expensive stores, compared to stores that were high priced. Places like Old Navy seemed really popular with kids because they have better priced apparel. The concern with the price of clothing probably came from the fact that most students had jobs.

By Jennie Claus and Kristi Jung



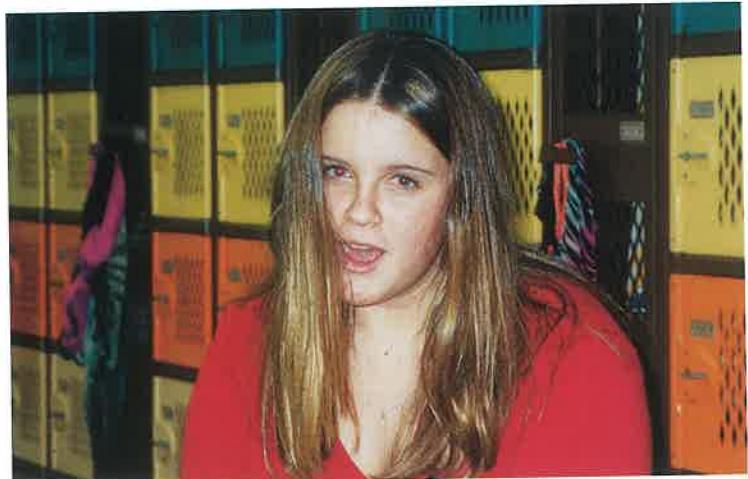
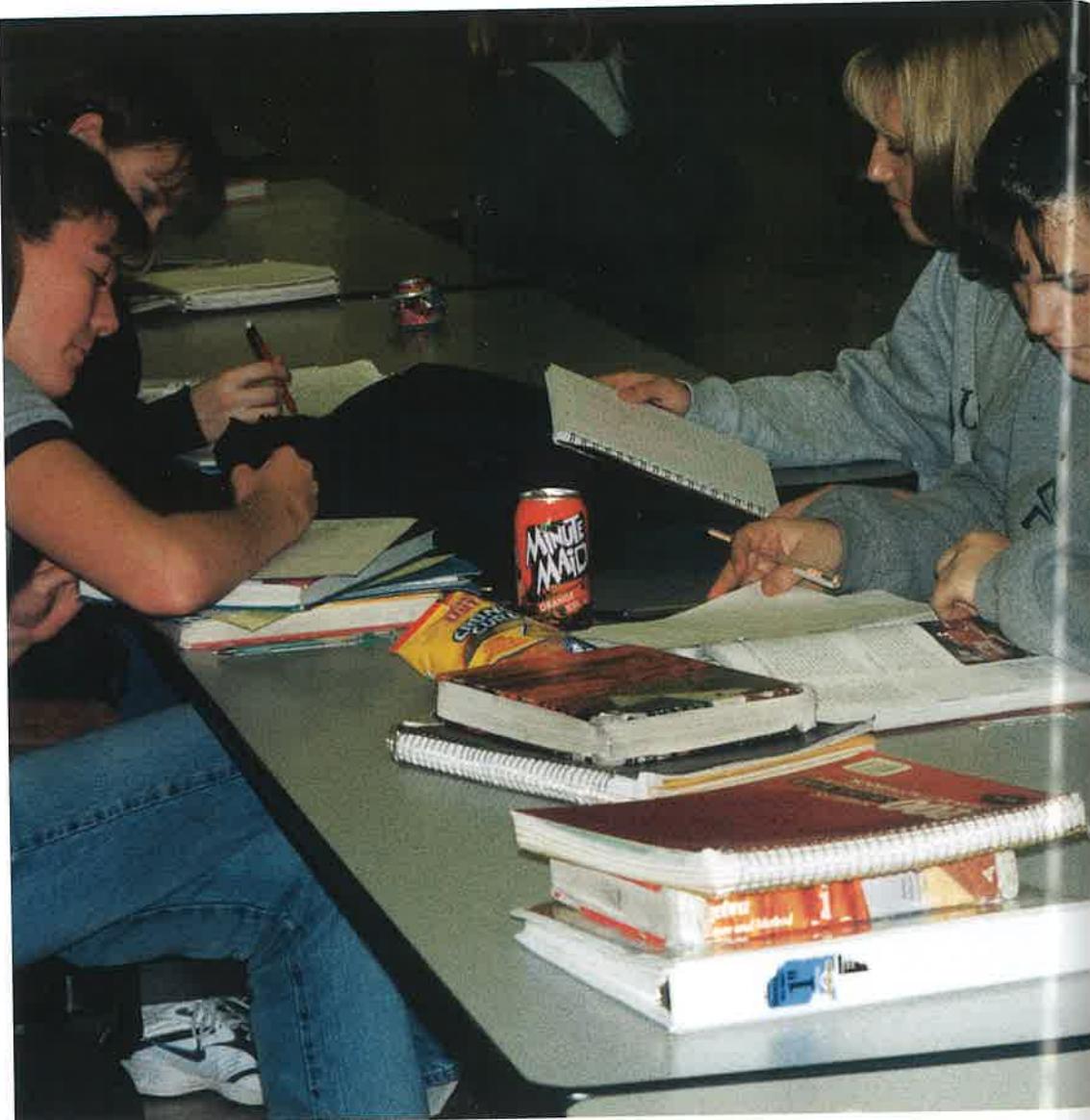
Where is that worksheet? Taking some time out of class, sophomore Medora West digs through her locker.

**Shhhh... Don't talk too loud!** Studying quietly in the library, sophomores Josh Ackerman, Mike Greseth, Jesse Faul, and Mitch Netterlund work to complete their homework.

**Not Pictured**  
Dustin Baird  
Joshua Dahl  
Matthew Faul  
Timothy Flynn  
Joshua Jacob  
Narinder Kinda  
Kyle Sandvik  
Paul Skjerseth

Korey Zellers  
Margaret Zich  
Kimberly Zick  
Mathew Zimney  
Brittney Zinniel

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GRRR! Doing her homework, freshman Nicole Rhodes, Stacey Hestbeck, and Erin Strahm wait to chow down on their munchies.

Snore! Relaxing after her swim meet, freshman Nicole Heiden packs up after a long day.



Yikes!! Running past the woods in cross country, freshman Erin Vranish hopes the boogieman doesn't get her.



Ha Ha! Smiling as her classmates think of the answers freshman Kris Bruns pays attention.

Cool!!! Playing with chemicals, freshman Bridget Horsager is glad that she has those fashionable goggles.



Booring!! Reading her book, freshman Nicole Heiden waits for the bell to ring.

Yummm! Waiting for her swim meet to start, freshman Danielle Gjestvang loads up on the goodies for her team.



The class of 2003 had many things to get used to. From the tiny middle school to the high school, surroundings changed. Off campus lunch, study hall in the commons, more responsibilities. Sports, clubs, and all other activities plus so many more students. The new students of the high school were eager to display all of their school spirit. Freshman were eager to take the next step up to being an upperclassman.

# Welcome to high school jungle, kids!

**"My freshman year was alright. I don't think that we were harassed by the upperclassmen. I'm looking forward to my sophomore year so I will know the school better."**  
-freshman Mike Blickensderfer

It's 3:30 on a Monday afternoon. You have to work at 4, but before that you have to go pick up your little brother at the elementary school, drop him off at your Mom's work, and go home and change. And what are you doing? You're sitting in the school parking lot, waiting for the moron ahead of you to let all of his friends in. Welcome to West Fargo High School, home of the Packers as in packed parking lots. Due to the large number of students driving this year and the past couple of years, parking at West Fargo has become a big problem.

"I think we don't have enough space for all the cars we have,"

junior Joe Gorman said. Many students agreed with this point of view when faced with this growing problem. Some students also felt the reason the parking lots were cramped were the larger amount of freshmen driving to school this year. Although some of the freshmen didn't agree.

"Freshmen have the same right to park in the parking lot as anyone else," freshman Adam Fischer said.

Students have also had to develop different techniques to get a good parking spot, and get in and out of the parking lot on time. Students knew that in order to get a good spot they need to get to

school at least by 8 a.m.

"The past week my friend and I have been parking in the last row because we got to school after 8," Fischer said.

"I once saw a football player get out of his car and stand in front of a line of cars so he could budge in front of everyone else with his buddies," junior Amanda Gartner said. Which described a creative solution to getting out of the parking lot on time.

You've finally gotten out of the parking lot and you're on your way. Thus ending another exciting day in the West Fargo High School parking lot.

By Melissa Kirklewski

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Nicole Akason  
Shawn Aker  
Josh Akers  
Eric Amsbaugh  
Alexandra Anderson

Cara Anderson  
Ryan Anderson  
Kayla Arechigo  
Chelsie Arnold  
Breanna Asplin  
Baily Badillo

Nicole Baem  
Lauren Bates  
Erik Baumann  
Brett Beckius  
Kyle Beckius  
Jonathan Belcourt

Sara Bergerson  
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Michael Boser  
Kelsey Brand

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Kristina Bruns  
Leanne Bruun  
Kellen Bubach

Brenda Bucholz  
Nick Buehre  
Angela Busche  
Nathan Butler  
Tracy Canton  
Nicole Carmichael

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Brian Cronin  
James Cumber  
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Jayson Dandurand  
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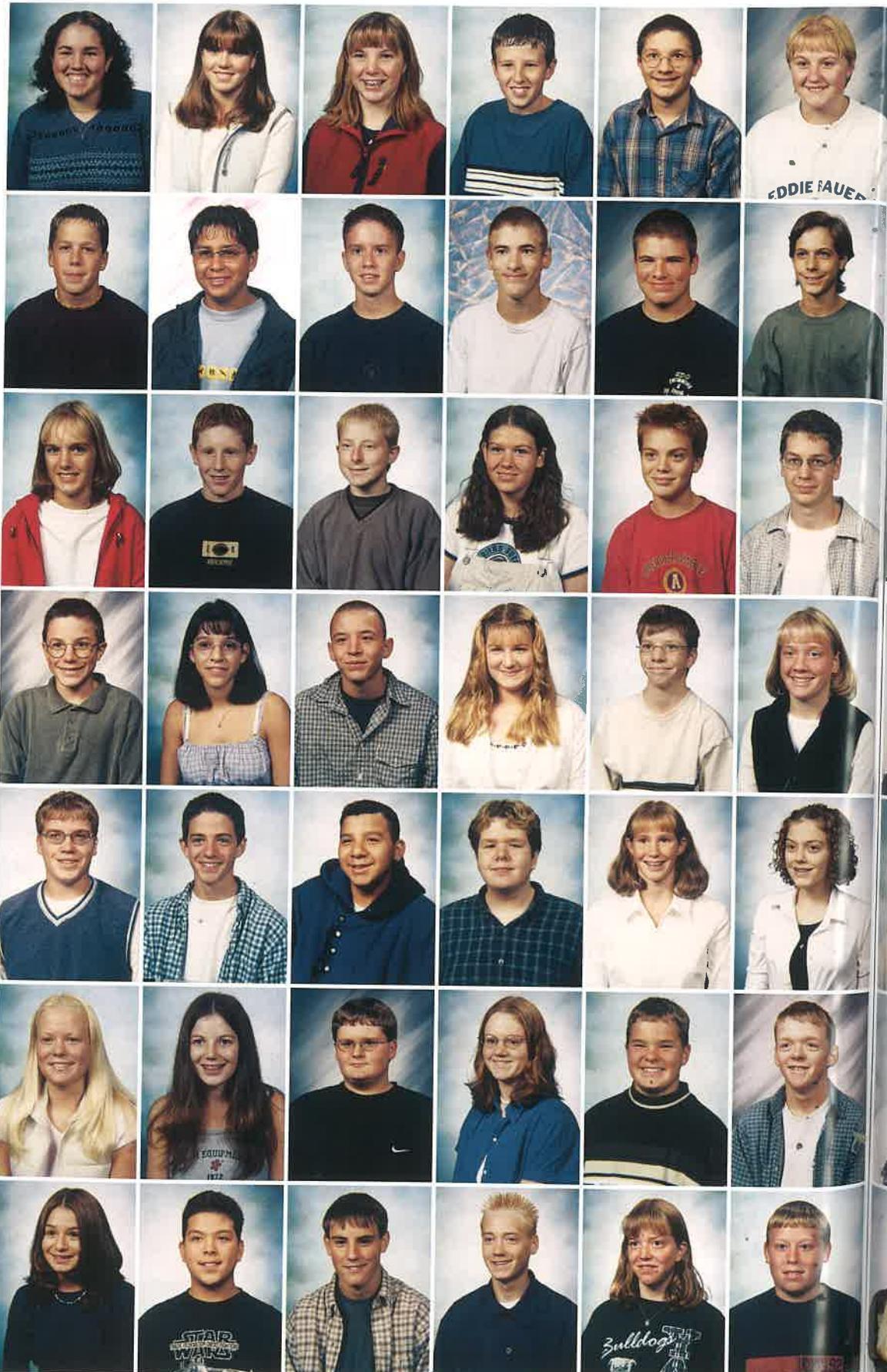
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Leah Griffeth  
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Melinda Guajardo  
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Marc Gunderson  
Brian Gustafson  
Michelle Haarsager  
Jesse Hackey



**"I think that having a security guard is a good idea because he has broken up some fights, and makes people do smarter things in the school."**

**Freshman Randy Wilson**

## Security guard babysits students

Remember the school shootings in Littleton and Jonesboro? Did that make you think West Fargo might not be as safe as it should be? Some students seemed to be indifferent about having a security guard in the building. Some students seemed to think it was necessary to have a security guard while others did not.

"It is a good idea to have a security guard because he will protect us in the parking lot," Freshman Adam Fischer said.

A lot of people said they felt safer in a school that had a security guard even if he wasn't always needed. Just the thought of him made people do smarter things.

Even though the school had a

security guard, a smoke bomb was set off in the school. The smoke bomb filled a whole wing with yellow smoke, and the entire building was evacuated.

"We still don't need a security guard, the smoke bomb was not a major health hazard," sophomore Melinda Wyum said.

Although the smoke bomb was not intended to injure anyone, it could possibly have harmed someone.

Even though the security guard was not able to stop the smoke bomb, that person could prevent something like what happened at Littleton or Jonesboro from happening here.

A security guard could prevent

many problems in a school. However, a security guard in the school can't be everywhere at once preventing problems from happening.

Hopefully nothing like what happened at Littleton and Jonesboro will ever happen at West Fargo. Whether or not the presence of a security guard would prevent acts such as these is unknown, but it sure can help.

Overall, a security guard cannot prevent absolutely everything from happening, but having one here is definitely a step in the right direction. Everyone must work together to maintain a safe and positive environment to learn in.

By Tony Kraeck

David Haerter  
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Brenda Haug  
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Jonathan Hay  
Shannon Hayes  
Nicole Heiden

Casey Heinisch  
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Brandon Heitkamp  
Scott Hekman  
Jennifer Helm

Tonya Herk  
Desirae Hersch  
Stacy Hestbeck  
Bryan Hieb  
Justin Hilleson  
Bret Hirschert



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# Insect enrollment rises in building

**"I haven't seen any crickets, but I've been told they are there. The hallways are just as noisy without the crickets."**

--Freshman

Trisha Huus

As students crowd through the hallways, the crickets have races to the other end of the hallway. "In the ten years I have been teaching here, they have never been this bad," history teacher Darrin Boehm said.

Students were asking what was going to be done about the infestation. Assistant principal, Mrs. Karen Olson said, "We have a cricket problem in our school? No, actually I just step on them." Some people weren't bothered or even came in contact with the crickets. On the other hand, there were many people who came into contact with the crickets and didn't like them. "I think they are

disgusting," junior Nicole Mack said.

When looking around the school, most crickets were found in the vocational wing. They must have been coming in the school in groups of two. Crickets were also found in the computer boxes, where senior Kory Cwikla had to remove the insects. It was also noted that they were coming in during the numerous fire drills and open doors.

The school was overwhelmed with crickets this year. Many people came into contact with the pests, while others didn't even see one or chose not to see one.

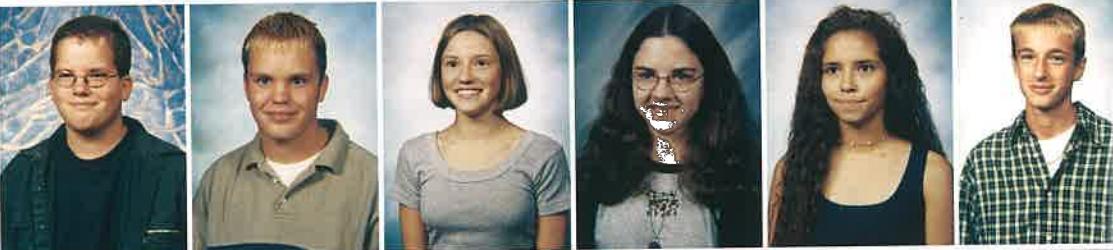
By Catie Loney

**"I think the crickets are distracting during classes. Actually, I haven't noticed them much, but I know they are there."**

--Freshman

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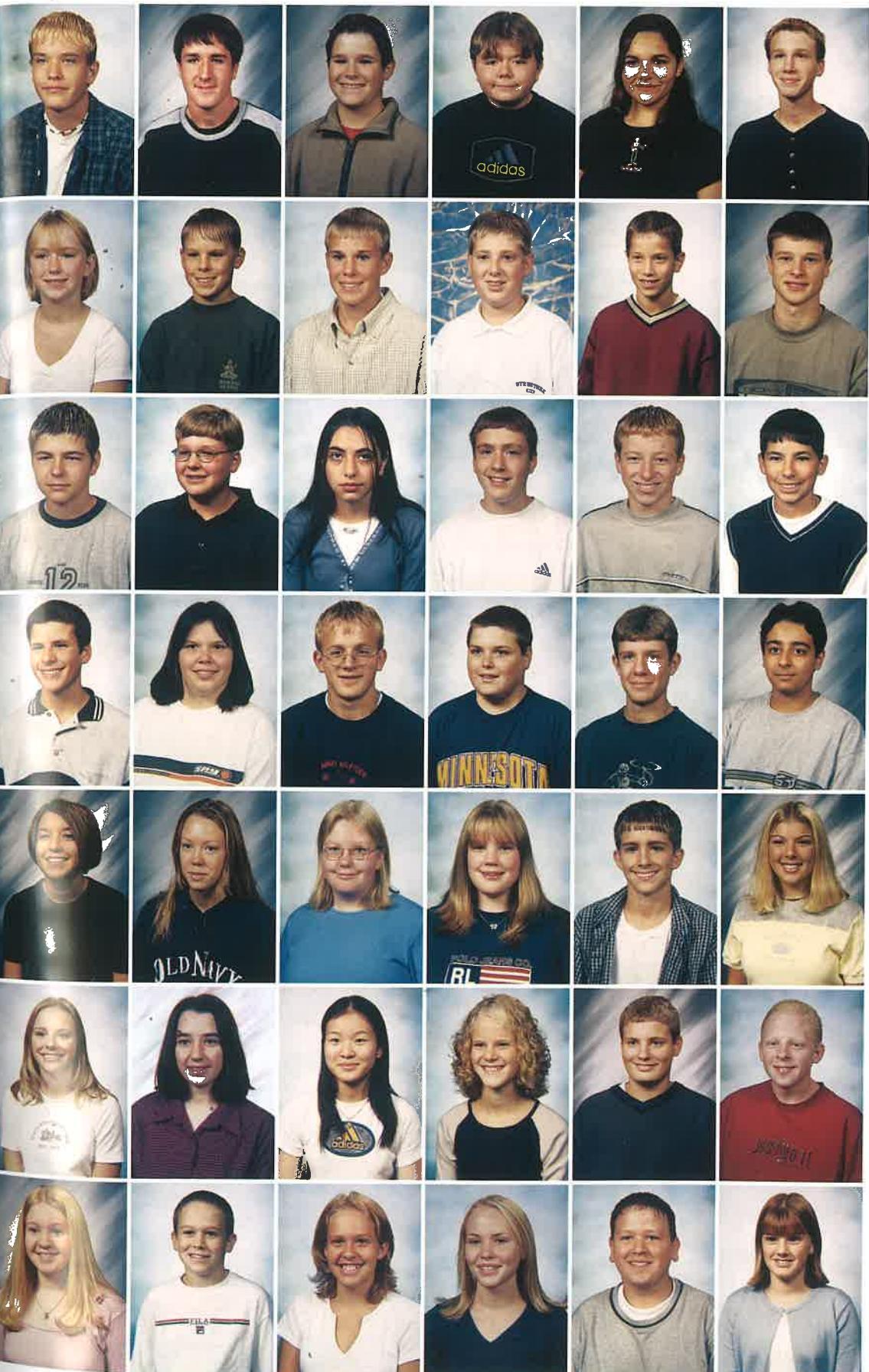
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Kelsey Linnertz  
Cody Lohse  
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Tasha Lowseth  
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Annie Lund  
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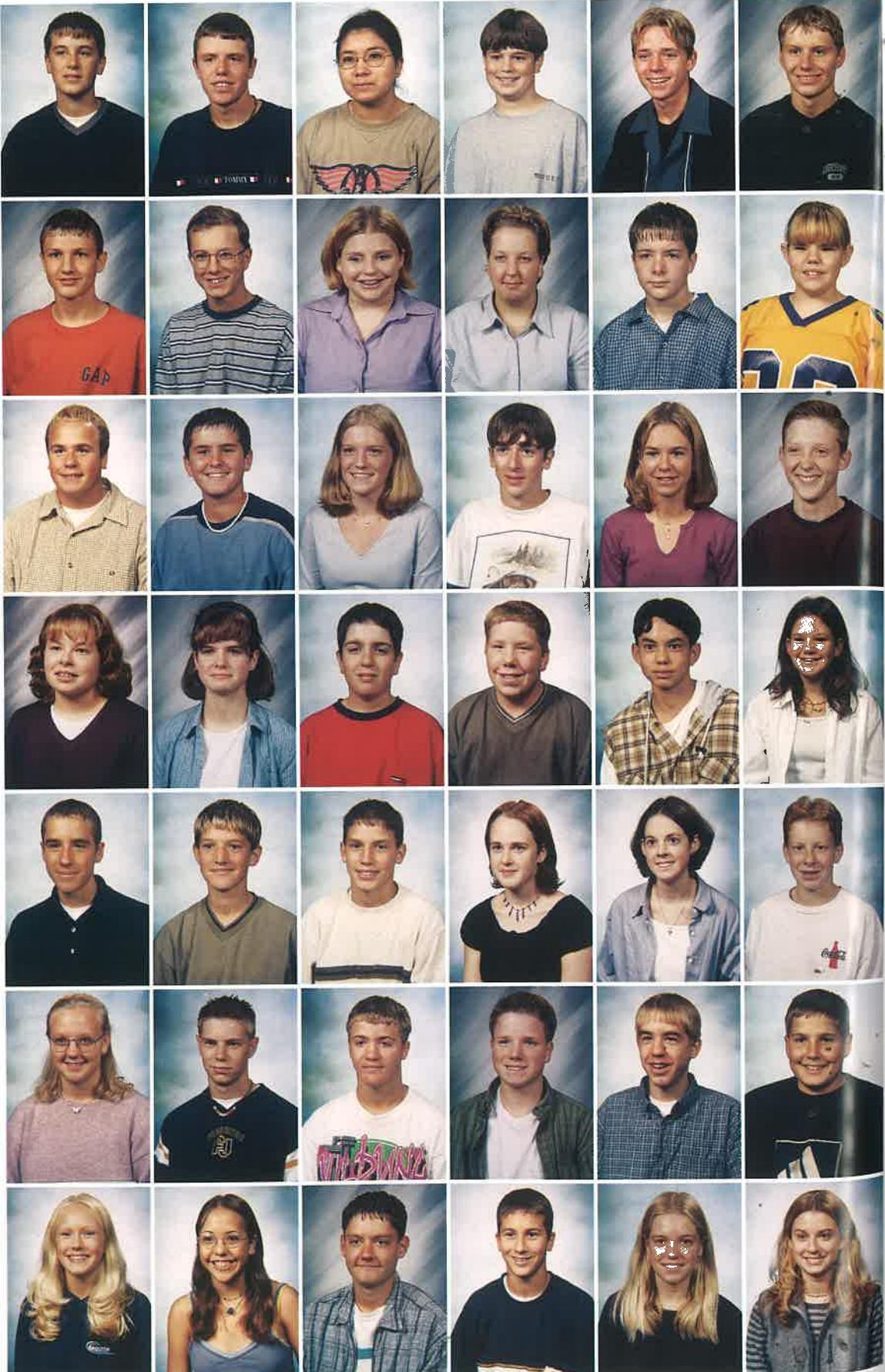
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LaRae Parisien  
Nathan Paulson  
Andy Payne  
Ashley Pederson  
Kelsey Pergande



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## Bathroom Bladder Blues Irritates Students

**"No, there is not enough time between classes to get to the bathroom and make it to your classroom in time before the bell rings."**

--sophomore Erin Bennett

May I go to the bathroom please? This is a common question among frustrated students. This problem causes students to feel as though their bladders are going to explode into a million pieces if they don't get to use the bathroom. When students were asked if they thought there was enough time to use the bathroom, many students replied that there was not nearly enough time.

Take freshman Tony Krajeck for example, he said, "They have enough bathrooms, just not enough time to use them. If they gave us more time to use the bathroom, people wouldn't be so disruptive in class."

In some classes, students have to go to the bathroom so bad that they are hopping up and down.

"For a regular person, there is enough time, but some people have medical problems, so they should notify the teacher on the first day of school," junior Megan Coon said.

So, for some people who think students don't have enough time to use the bathroom between classes, you are not alone. Maybe eventually, teachers will come to see the fact that students need the chance to use the bathroom. Until then lay off the water.

By Sarah Murray

**"I don't think so because you don't have enough time to go to your locker, go to the bathroom, talk to your friends, and get to your class in under 4 minutes."**

-- sophomore Amanda Bowman

Christopher Perna  
Alan Peterson  
Isaac Peterson  
Jenna Peterson  
Joshua Peterson  
Kasey Peterson

Erik Porter  
Nicholas Potter  
Scott Raguse  
Christine Rankin  
John Reichert  
Nick Reinisch

Nicole Rhodes  
Jessica Ridgway  
Brent Ristvedt  
Cassie Rodgers  
Jacey Rodgers  
Stephanie Roers

James Rogers  
Paul Rohrer  
Darrin Rolle  
David Ronning  
Nicole Ronning  
Marin Rosenvold



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How should I go about doing this? While doing a lab, freshman Christine Rankin tries to clean her test tube without getting soap in her eyes.



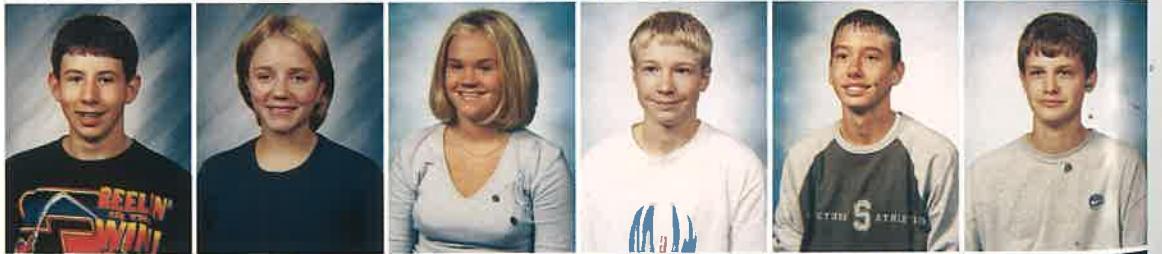
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Eric Sedeiev  
Megan Selland  
Tara Sheeley  
Ryan Silbernagel  
Brandon Siverson  
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Julie Spadafore  
Christin Sprecher



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## Limited amount of elective classes frustrated freshmen

Health, World Geography, English and Physical Science are just a few of the courses that freshmen were required to take.

Although some students felt classes needed to be taught, some students felt others should have been electives.

"The school shouldn't have Health required because you should be able to choose if you want to learn about your health," freshman Talea Kelsch said.

Some students felt they had enough room in their schedule for electives they wanted to take. However, some students felt required classes just took up space.

"I think that I have time to do all the things I want to do," freshman Krista Stroh said.

Students who already had a career in mind believed they should have been given the opportunity to choose the classes they felt were adequate for their field of study.

"If you could choose what you wanted to do more, you would get better grades because you liked the class," freshman Brittani Voeller said.

With the number of credits being raised, more classes were needed, preferably more enjoyable ones.

By Kelsey Tande



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Taylor Stack  
Matthew Stark  
Zachary Steele  
Rosa Steinkuehler  
Quinn Stine  
Tina Stoppleworth

Erin Strahm  
Kari Strandquist  
Krista Stroh  
Heather Suchy  
Tarynn Sylvester  
Carly Tangen

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Greg Tehven  
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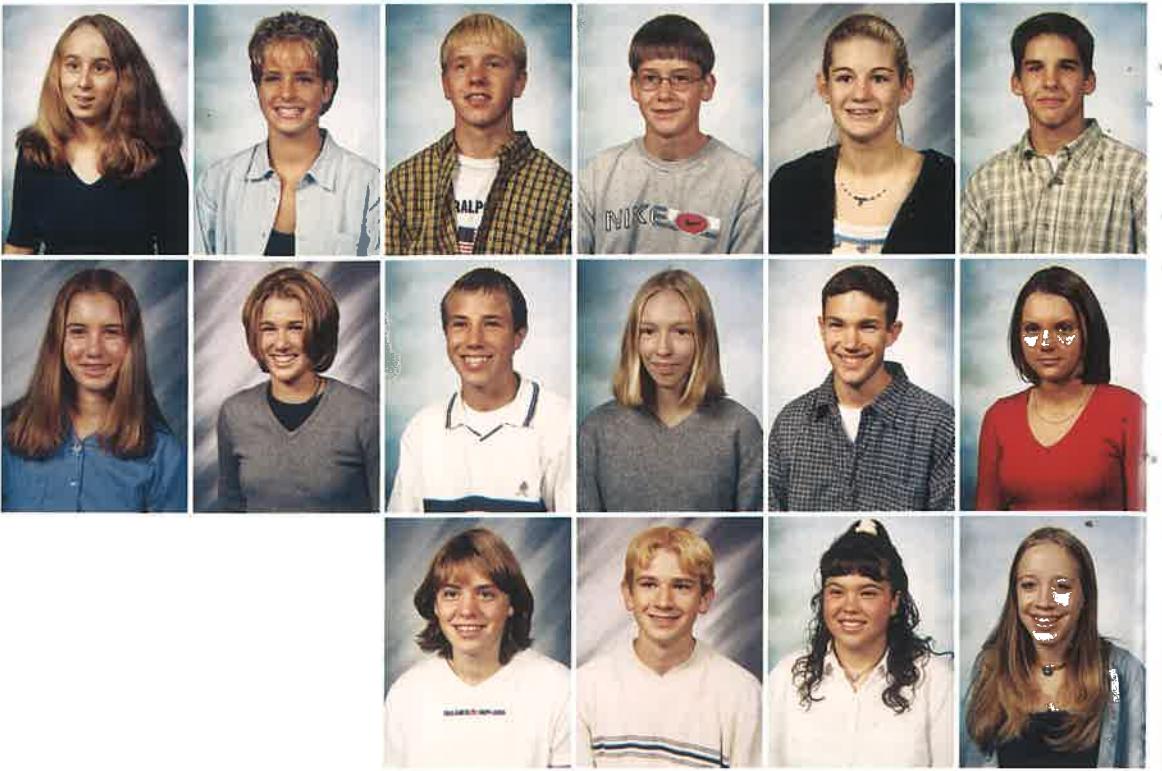
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Brittani Voeller  
Sarah Volk  
Elizabeth Vranish

Alissa Vrem  
Anthony Walz  
Dale Wasness  
Dave Wasness  
Bradley Watne  
Eric Wiegel

Andrea Weishaar  
Jena Weller  
Curtis Werlinger  
Curtis Wetzstein  
Amber Whelan  
Steve Wherley

Leah Whitcomb  
Katie Wilken  
Mitchel Wilkenson  
Shawn Wilm  
Jenna Wilson  
Randy Wilson



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■ Kevin Ambers  
■ Randal Anderson  
■ Jeramy Arneson  
■ Michael Blickensderfer  
■ Jacob Bomstad

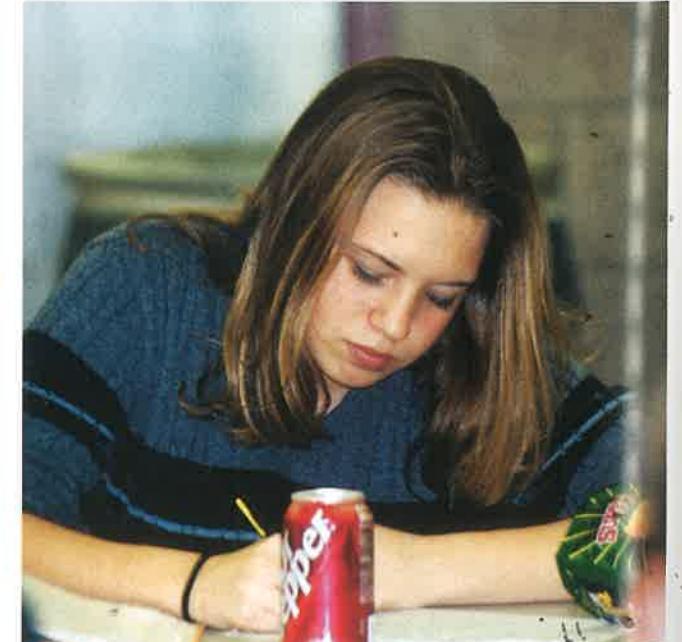
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■ Shara Jackson  
■ Michael Jourdan  
■ Travis Kasowski

■ Paramjit Kummeth  
■ Amanda Lahren  
■ Jeremy Radebaugh  
■ Justin Rohrich  
■ Heather Smith



**I hope this doesn't blow up!** Working in the lab, freshmen Megan Sellend and Alyssa Vrem mix two chemicals together.



**This is due next hour!** Working diligently in the commons, freshman Talea Kelsch tries to complete her homework.

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**"Pep rallies are great when you want to get together with your friends, peers, and teachers, and show school spirit!"**  
--freshman Jess Jansen

# Let's get fired up!

Excitement increases as each class of the student body stands in their designated section of the gym and cheers. The band playing, cheerleaders cheering, pom-poms waving, and mascot running around all contribute to making pep rallies the fun and spirit lifting events that students love and anticipate.

Traditionally, the school allowed two pep rallies each year. In addition to all of the cheering and rowdiness, sports teams and clubs were recognized, foreign exchange students were introduced, and upcoming events were revealed. Seniors Nick Akers and Brianne Regan were the emcees

of the fall pep rally, and pumped the crowd with school spirit. These two kept things organized and threw in some humor and surprises now and then.

"They (the emcees) were pretty cool. They pumped everybody up," freshman Mitch Wolden said.

During the year, pep rallies hosted the biggest rivalries between the different classes throughout the school. Each class took a shot at yelling their class cheer the loudest and were judged to declare a winner. The class cheers were quite close in volume, but seniority always ruled over everything else.

"They (pep rallies) are fun, but

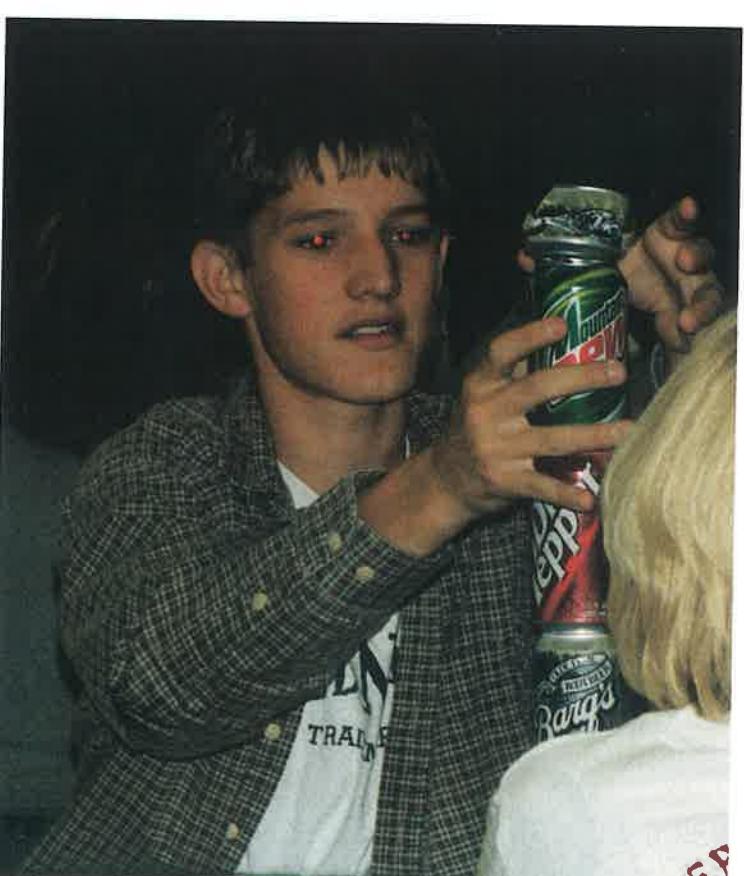
it's stupid how no matter what the seniors win," sophomore Jenny Goebel said.

Pep rallies were a great place to show school spirit and Packer pride, and pumped almost everyone up. The students got to be loud and rowdy without getting in trouble, and the teachers were able to kick back and relax.

Junior Katie Larson said, "It's cool how the kids get to do whatever they want and the administrators just stand there."

Overall, there was only one complaint about the pep rallies. "We need to have more of them!" senior Kristin Bjerke said.

By Leah Brekke

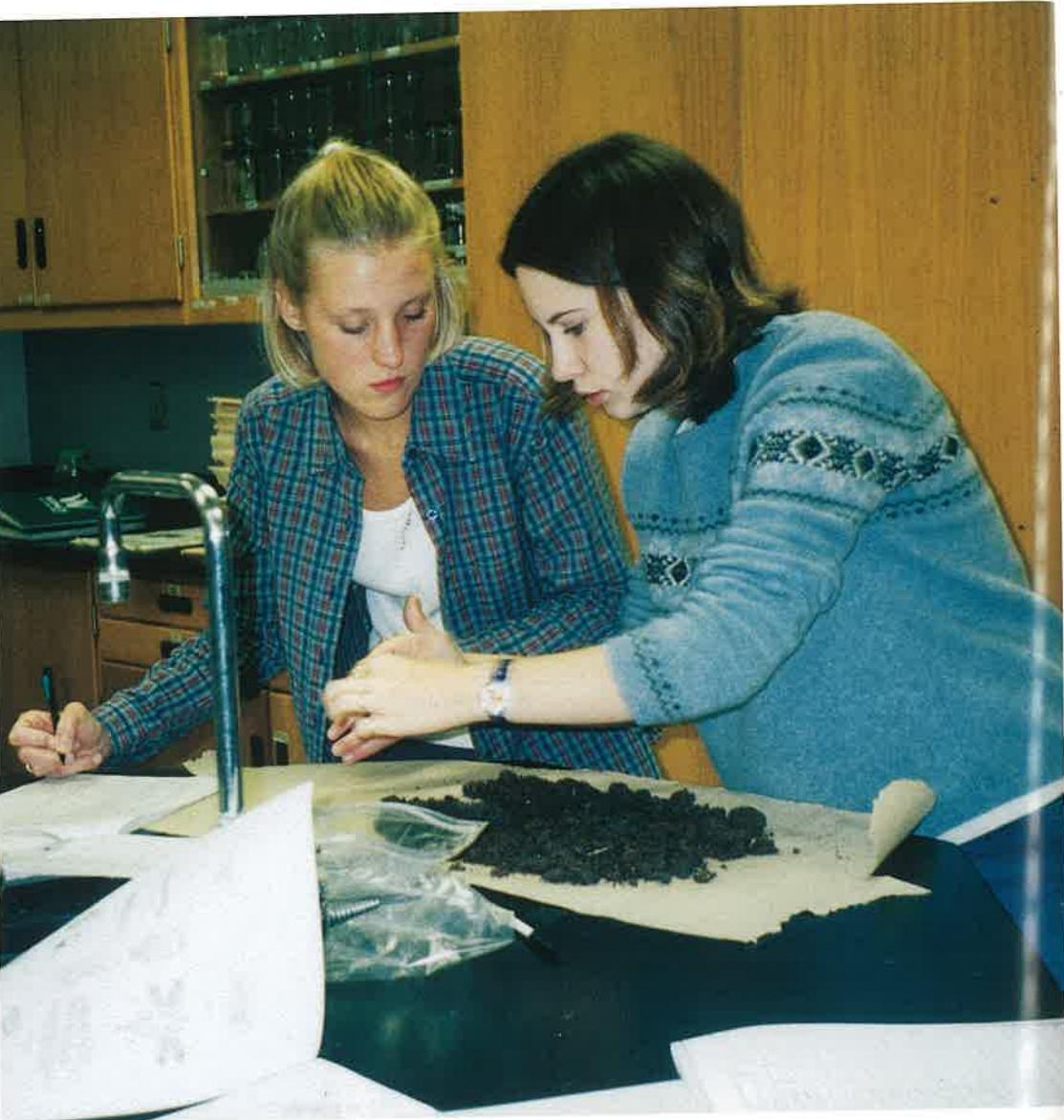


**What a great song!** Playing the flute, freshman Leah Whitcomb perfects her part.

**How high can it go?** Wasting some time in study hall, freshman Cody Nechiporenko stacks up his pop cans.

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# A C A D E M I C S



**Hey, this actually works!** During ceramics, junior Joe Burchill finds out how to use a clay extruder.

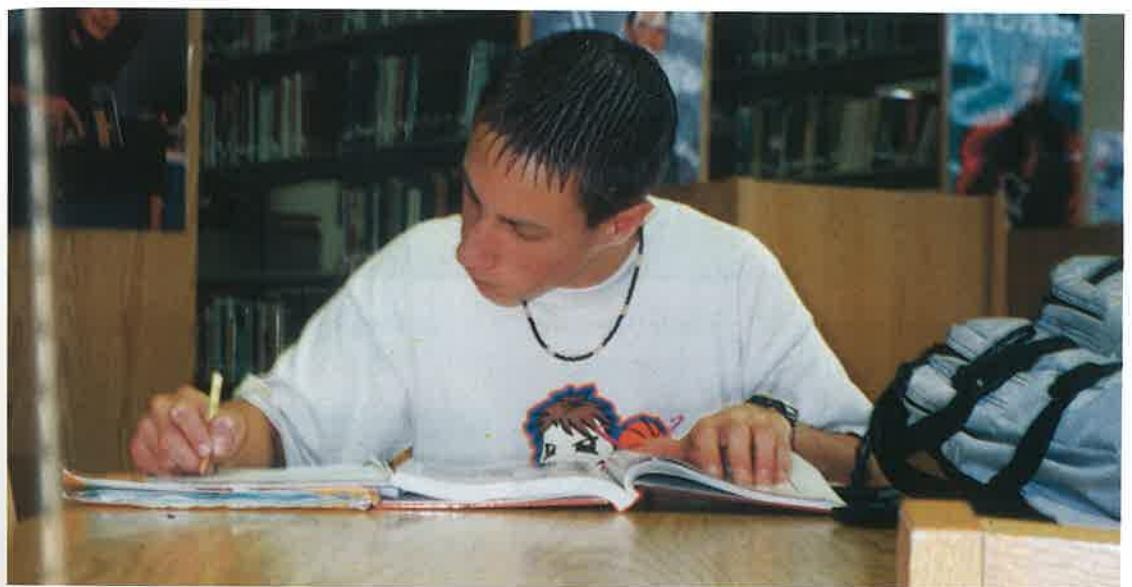


**What a mess!** Rushing to finish a lab, seniors Julie Sprenger and AanaLeah Shaw look for microorganisms.

**2x + 4 > 0.** In class, Mrs. Offerdahl helps her students with a homework problem.



**More notes???** During Government, seniors Ashley Parrow and Jordan Jost try to make sense of the lecture.

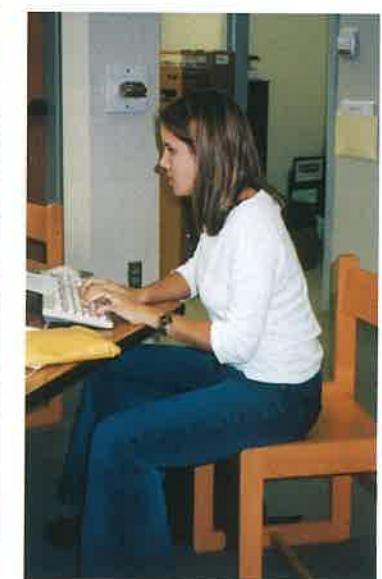


**I've got to finish this.** Working efficiently on homework, junior Ken Grosz quickly writes down another answer.



**Ok, I'll put a comma here and a period there.** Perfecting her senior paper, senior Erica Redlinger adds the finishing touches.

**Here, let me help.** During Rec Engines II, Mr. Nordstrom works with senior Randy Ackerman to check rear axle drum brakes.



This was WHERE it all began. Students and teachers worked together to teach each other new methods and styles. This was WHERE we experimented with Science, WHERE the equations in Mathematics were solved, WHERE the sentences and literature of English were picked apart and WHERE computers were challenged by students. Knowledge contributed to each story book until it was completed with every bit of information needed to begin a new chapter. The Academics at West Fargo High School was WHERE the whole story began.



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English



Rochelle Allen  
Para



Larry Anderson  
Fine Arts



Lori Anderson  
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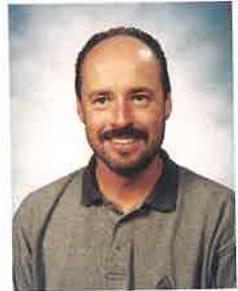
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Para



Lori DeRemer  
Counselor



James Dew  
Math



Connie Eggers  
Counselor



Trish Eide  
Office



Bob Elliott  
Counselor



Claudia Engelstad  
Math

Advanced placement challenges creative students  
Discussion, learning keep students in line

Advanced Placement classes aren't just for anyone. With more reading and writing, The class' work load can keep you on your toes. Which may explain why there were no more than 38 students in A.P. The classes also made the students think. "(There is) more emphasis on the thought process and higher thinking skills," Mrs. Marti Simmons, the A.P. junior English teacher said.

In A.P. junior and senior English, the students read novels as opposed to many short stories, and they wrote more papers. In A.P. U.S. History and Government, the students went into thorough detail of the subject matter. "There is more discussion in A.P. History, and you look more in depth at what was actually happening in historical events," junior Falan Hehr said.

Junior Kacie Hughes said, "It's an opportunity for students who share the same interest to share their ideas, it's not so cut and dry."

On occasion the A.P. classes have done something a little special or unique. A.P. U.S. Government received the chance to talk on-line in a cyberforum with Senator John McCain, who had announced his intention to run for President. The class was one of only 50 high schools in the nation who received this unique chance.

By Megan Coon



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Office



Susan Boyle  
Special Services



Kris Ertelt  
Para



Charles Gad  
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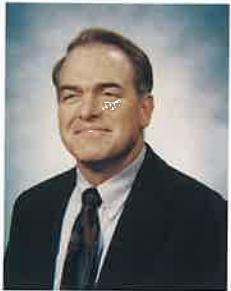
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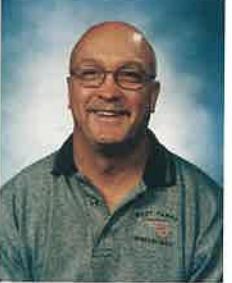
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Do you worry about money too much? Don't worry, others may be able to help you out!

It happens. The last cash you had went to a new pair of shoes. At the time you didn't feel guilty about spending that much money but has now made you are miserable.

Sophomore Stephanie Waquan said, "I don't worry about money, my friends are more important than anything else to me." No money, no plans right? Wrong. Just because there's no cash on hand doesn't mean there isn't anything to do. Plan a sleepover with your buds, or plan a camping trip when you know cash and weather will be good.

Sophomore Andrea Watson said, "Money is just money. My family and friends are more important to me than any amount of money in this huge, scary world."

Most family members are able and willing to give you money if you absolutely need it. If you can't go to a family member for help, you can almost always call or go to a friend. Money is important to some people, but others really do not care whether or not money even exists. Money is not the only important thing in the whole world. So when the world seems like money is the most important thing, call a friend that will tell you that money is not important.

By Sarah Murray

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**A, B, C, or D?**  
Pondering what answer to put, junior Chris McDougall searches for the right response

**Excuse me!** Disturbed from her hard work, junior Jennie Claus looks up.



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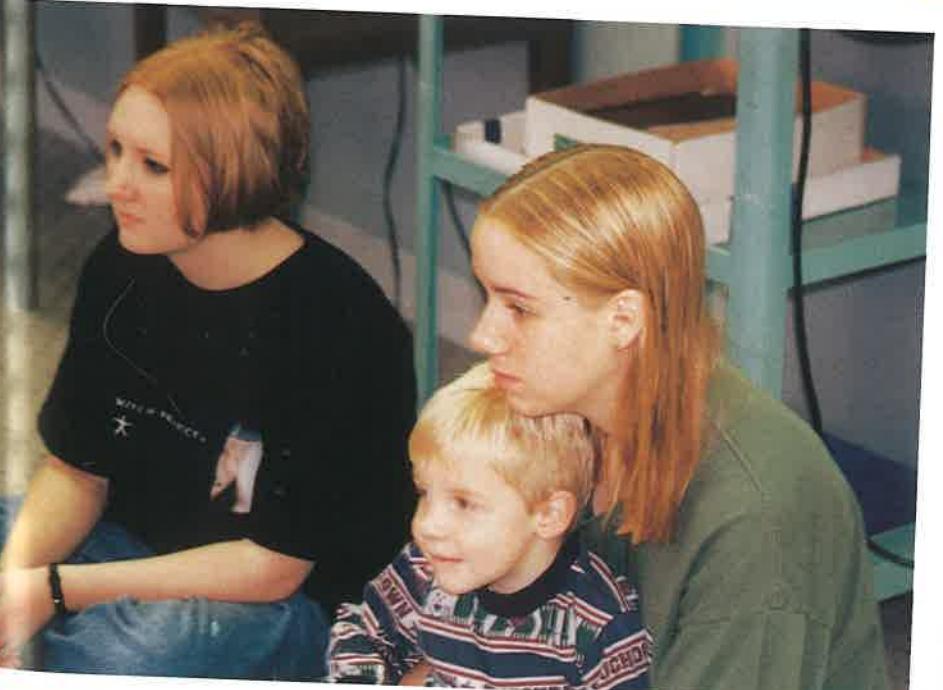
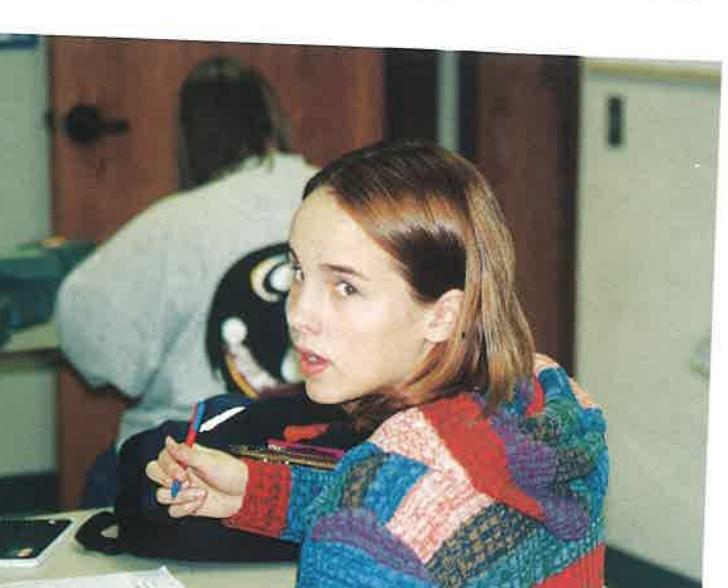
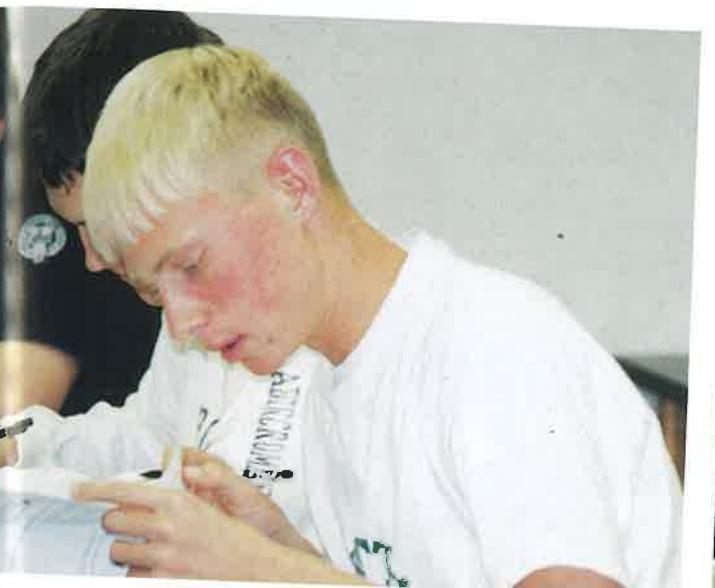
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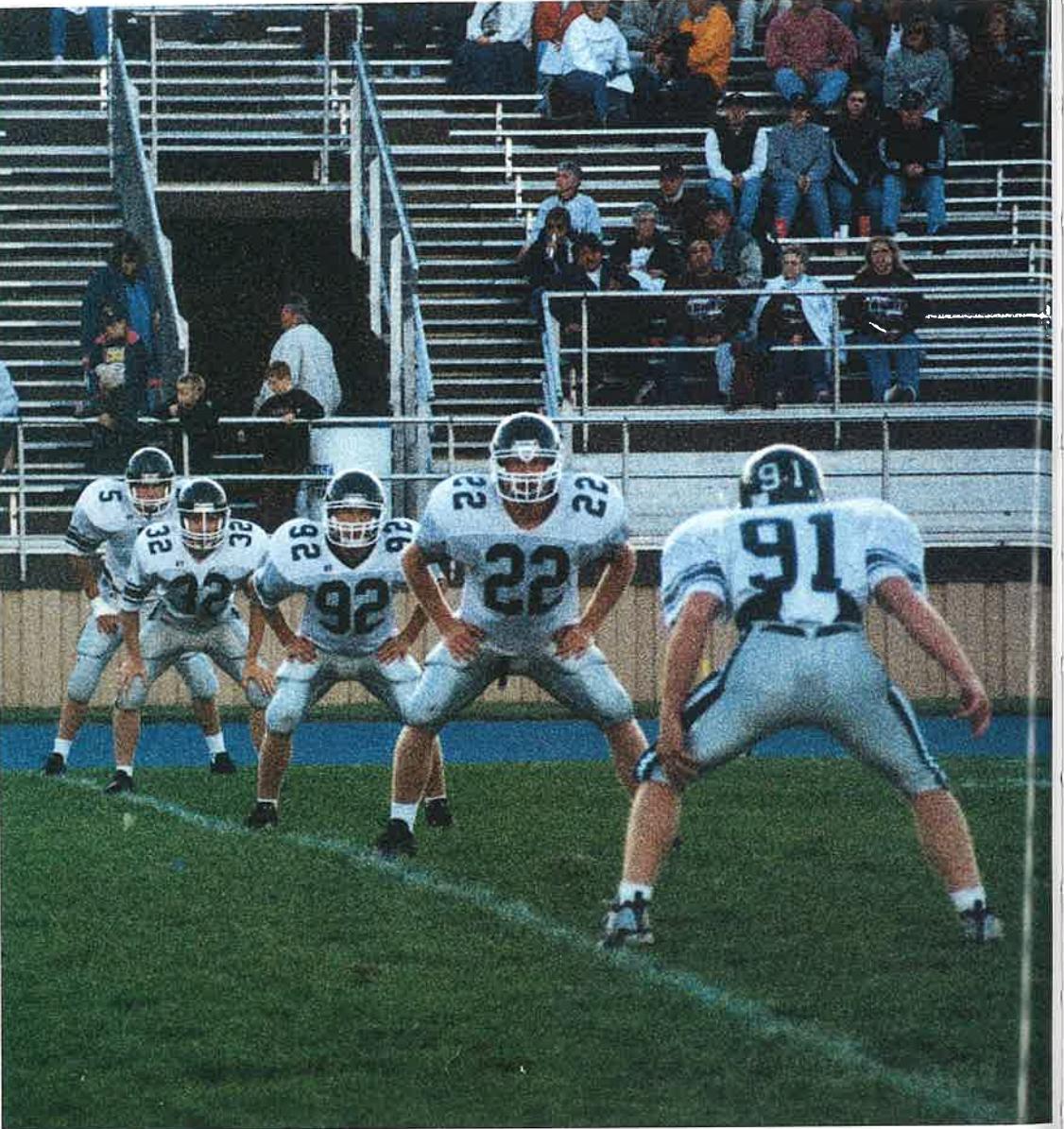
**Hmm. Hmm. Hmm. What to draw?** Pondering over what picture to draw, senior Tacina Birrenkott gets an idea.

**The first little pigs house was made of straw.** Listening to a story, senior Amber Schmidt and junior Jennifer Hirschorn sit with their ECC buddy.

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**Macho, Macho Man!** Warming up for the football game, the team decides to get down to business.



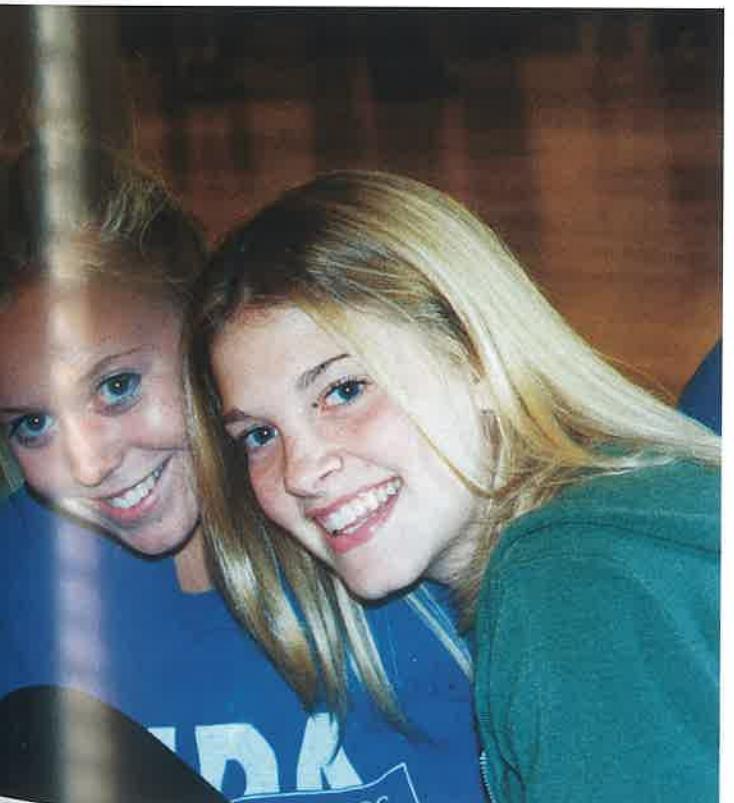
**How many baskets did we make last game?** Giving a talk to the Girls Basketball team, senior Liza Sorteberg looks convincing.

**Who's open?** Looking for an open teammate, sophomore Brandon Verdet looks at an open teammate.



**Let's do the Hokey Pokey!** You put your left foot in, you put your left foot out...Prepping his runners, with the Cross Country team, Mr. Boehm has a pep talk with his team.

**Come on team, let's go!!** Waiting for the big play the cheerleaders look on in confidence.

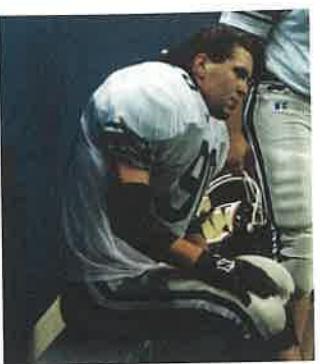


**Fore!!** Hitting the ball in the grass, sophomore Mackenzie Close swings it into gear.

**Say Cheese!!** Showing Packatahna pride with a big smile, seniors Jolene Berg and Kristen Crummy say "Hi!"

ALL THE ATHLETES OF WEST FARGO HIGH SCHOOL SHOWED TREMENDOUS PRIDE IN WHERE THEY CAME FROM. THEY SHOWED THEIR TRUE COLORS AND DEDICATION THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR. WHETHER THEY WON OR LOST, THEY MADE EVERYONE PROUD TO BE A PACKER. EVEN THOUGH NOT ALL OF THE TEAMS MADE IT TO THE TOP, OUR SCHOOL WAS STILL REPRESENTED IN THE BEST POSSIBLE WAY. WE SHOWED EACH AND EVERY TEAM WHAT THE WEST FARGO HIGH PACKERS WERE REALLY MADE OF!!

## FOOTBALL



What do you mean they scored? Taking a breather, senior Brent Tehven enjoys his break.



**Front row:** Todd Schaffer, Dan Harbeke, Cory Amsbaugh, Jarrod Shwab, Caleb Johnson, Nick Larson, Pat Dardis, Marcus Urlab, Jason Dyrdahl, Brent Tehven, Bryant Beaton, Leigh Kitzan. **Row 2:** Chand Hager, Nick Prashek, Josh Diemert, Jeremy Buehre, Craig Fowler, Leif Olson, Ross Brennan, Marcus Gussette, Bryan Riedinger, Boe Sheeley, Lyle Sinner. **Row 3:** Allen Sola, Chad Dickerson, Tony Flynn, Rob McSparron, Ryan Haring, Tyler Farkas, Greg Anderson, Matt Kelly, Casey Werlinger, Brandon Gladue, Jon Woodruff. **Row 4:** Tommy King, Joe Dauer, Brandon Laufenberg, Travis parrott, Dan Hanson, Nick Hill, Peter Malaterre, Ben Roehl, Steve Brennan, Aaron Flynn, Ahron Walter. **Row 5:** Josh Kratcha, Brian Fradet, Cory Honse, Dan Grunewald, Dustin Ertelt, Justin kindem, Jason Kratcha, Jason Anderson, Adam Driscoll, Matt Dimmer. **Row 6:** Mariah Peterson, Josh Gervais, Chad Walock, Paul Skjerseth, matt Elless, Brett Wigglesworth, Rob Margheim, Mike Dimmer, Tim Flynn.



Out of my way buddy! Making his way through the line, junior Marcus Gussette runs for a touchdown.

Let go of me! Trying to break away from the other team, junior Lyle Sinner runs the ball down the field for a possible score.

# STATE, EDC, UNDEFEATED ONCE AGAIN!!

Packers did it again with a no-loss season. Not only was the team EDC champs for the third year in a row, but once again the team brought home the state championship trophy!

Even though the team went into the season with big shoes to fill from last years winning team, the Packers didn't let it stand in their way.

"I was a little nervous because of the fact that our team had to live up to such high expectations. Everyone picked us as the #1 team and expected us to live up to that," senior Caleb Johnson said.

The team proved that they could perform under the pressures of the community. They accomplished their team goals plus what everyone else believed they could do.

With a great season behind them,

By Jenny Grinde



Please don't kick me!! Hoping he won't get kicked, junior Tyler Farkas holds the ball while junior Blaine Horsager goes for the field goal.

Sorry about that! Attempting to carry the ball, sophomore Brian Fradet is taken down by the opposing team.



Oh yeah, we did it again! Showing off their trophie, the '99-'00 team is proud of their year and love to show it!

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**R**OK, here's the plan... As the players gather around during a time out, they listen carefully to the game plan.

**Who's open, who's open?** Looking around for an open player, junior Amanda Krenz sets up the play.



**Let's Go! Let's Go!** Hurrying into place senior Maggie Asmund runs down court.

I think she's playing really well tonight. Taking a moment to relax, juniors Ashleigh Buck and Amber Voeller discuss the game.



## SEASON PROVES HARD WORK, TEAMWORK KEY TO SUCCESS

Teamwork. Without teamwork a team can not be successful. The Pack has proven that teamwork is key.

When the team won their first regular season game against Shanley; it was well performed but not easy.

"We knew we had to step up our game. We had to work on our defense, and our offense was struggling," senior Maggie Asmund said.

The team worked really hard and the next couple games made their spirits go up and down. Everyone was on a buzz when the team won two back-to-back games against Devils Lake and North.

There were a few bumps along the way, including a Play-in-

game, but they made it to the East Region Tournament. They played very well and only lost to Jamestown to take second place in the East Region Tournament.

"We were really excited because we started from seventh and got to play in the championship game," junior Amanda Krenz said.

The first game at the state tournament, was against the Bismarck Demons. The loss sent them into the consolation bracket. A victory over Fargo South ended the season with a fifth place finish at state.

"We had a few losses but we overcame it and played well as a team in the end," junior Erin Moch said.

By Megan Coon



## GIRLS BASKETBALL

	Us	Them		
Bismarck	44	47	Shanley	55 49
St. Mary	59	52	Mandan	60 70
Century	47	34	Valley City	56 37
Shanley	52	49		
Jamestown	32	51	<u>Play-in-Games</u>	
South	45	72	Devils Lake	58 29
North	51	61		
Valley City	53	40	<u>EDC</u>	
Grafton	46	48	South	54 49
Red River	38	44	Red River	40 38
Devils Lake	66	50	Jamestown	46 50
North	55	42		
Central	52	56	<u>State</u>	
Jamestown	60	55	Bismarck	24 44
Wahpeton	61	44	Williston	44 42
South	61	46	South	64 56



**Varsity Girls Basketball:** Back (l-r) Head Coach Collette Folstad, Assistant Coach Kevin Froeber, Sara Majkrzak, Maggie Asmund, Assistant Coach Rachael Otto-Bornstad, Practicum Coach Jodi Zieske, Practicum Coach Jill Sletteland. Middle row: Kristen Davidson, Amber Voeller, Amanda Krenz, Jen Western, Liza Sorteberg, Ashleigh Buck. Front row: Jamie Swenson(trainer), Lindsay Pavek, Heidi Hansen, Angie Bishoff, Erin Moch, Nicole Grund, Ann Timmerman(statistician).



**Get out of my way!** Going up strong, senior Sara Majkrzak scores two points with the perfect lay-up.

**All right let's go!** Protecting the ball, junior Amanda Krenz hold off while as seniors Heidi Hansen and Sara Majkrzak get into place for a play.

## CROSS COUNTRY



**Born to be wild!** Heading for the highway coach Mr. Boehm leads the way for the runners.



**Back row:** Coach Darrin Boehm, Darrin Rolle, Dan Fracis, Nick Senf, James Vranish, Brad Amundson, Zach Ziefler, Zach Lavelle, Erin Vranish, Coach Tim McLagan. **Second row:** Dave Wasness, Phillip Loy, Josh Jones, Andy Yanish, Troy Hebert, Ryan Sanbeck, Dale Wasness, Brian Kingsley, Quinn Stine. **Third row:** Susan Worthington, Kelly Hanson, Jennifer Sliper, Kristin Murch, Ken Grosz, Brandon Heitkamp, Kevin Brager, Nicole Heinz, Elizabeth Dosland, Katie Rankin. **Front row:** Sarah Rebenitsch, Lisa Elless, Kristen Shelstad, Elise Peterson, Kristi Peterson, Trisha Howitz, Jacinta Kuehn, Stepanie Kuehn, Jamie Hendrickson.



**Just the two of us!** Sprinting to the end, junior Brad Amundson and freshman Andy Yanish meet up side by side.

Results	Boys	Girls
Jamestown	7	6
Moorhead	8	8
Valley City	11	4
Grafton	5	3
West Fargo	3	4
Bismarck	8	8
Grand Forks	7	4
Alexandria	13	11
EDC-Grafton	9	6
State-Bismarck	14	11

# CROSS COUNTRY TEAM STRESSED POSITIVE STRIDES TO IMPROVE

With tensed muscles ready to spring into action, the cross country team started off their season. The season ran from August to October. It consisted of ten competitions including EDC and State, for both men and women. The races were long distance running over open country, which made it more difficult because it was not on an even surface.

"This was my first year, but I noticed everyone was willing to step up and work their hardest," sophomore Elizabeth Dosland said. A lot of hard work they were ready for competition.

"It was considered a young team at first, but they surprised a lot of people by how well they worked," junior Brad Amundson said.

The girls had a slow start, but

showed their strength at state. The boys were really young and continually surprised people because of the age difference.

"There was a really good mix of people. We got along well," junior Kristen Murch said. Murch was excited when she unexpectedly made the all state team.

"This was the best group I've had to work with in the last ten years. They were very dedicated and hard working with a lot of young talent. There was some great leadership from the seniors. As far as running, it was the best state meet in three years," Coach Darren Boehm said.

Over-all the year went well. Throughout the season the team remained enthusiastic.

By Melinda Wyum



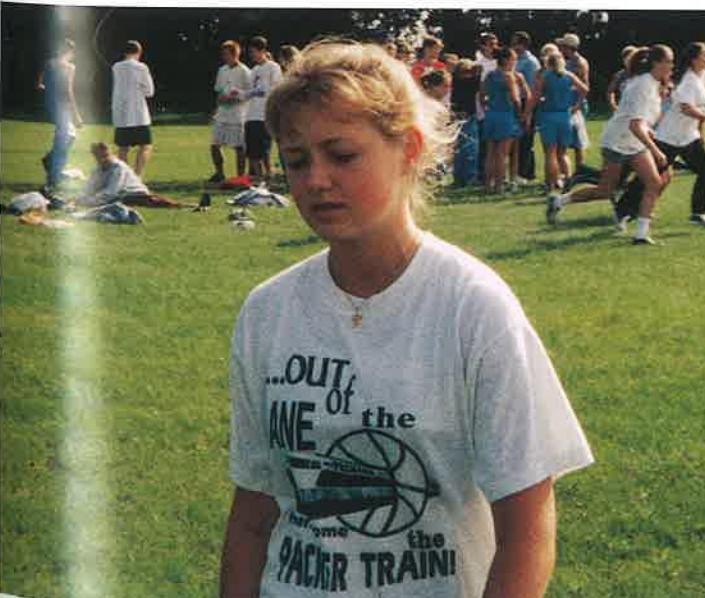
**I will get to the end!** Running her hardest, junior Jennifer Weil keeps going to pass her opponents.



**Just a little bit farther!** Struggling to make it to the end, senior Lisa Elless tries her best to finish first.



**Whew! What a run!** Exhausted, junior Kelly Hanson walks away after finishing a tough race.



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**What are you talking about?!!** Confused members of the girls team listen while coach gives instructions.

**I think I can...** Swimming the last 50 of the 100 meter backstroke, sophomore Jenny Mittag takes a breath while pulling ahead.



**Just a little bit further!** Coming up for a breath, junior Robin Moe races down the home stretch.



**Finished at last!** Exhausted after completing her intense race, senior captain Amy Sahr grins for the camera.



## SPLASHING INTO STATE!

"The swimming and diving season of 1999 started out strong and steadily improved throughout the season. Also, the team has great attitudes and tons of spirit," senior Andrea Hanson said.

Team captains included Rochelle Koehnen, Keziah Keller, and Amy Sahr, all of which are seniors. The team was coached by Marsha Dahl, Shelly Swanson and Terry Rust.

Something new this year were the numbers that came out for swimming and diving. This pleased the coaches.

"This has been the biggest team for swimming and diving and it is great to see so many girls interested in this program," assistant coach Shelly Swanson said.

Many new young swimmers and divers stepped up to successfully fill in the positions left behind by previous swimmer and divers. For instance, senior Dayna Hansen became the team's first member of the all-state diving team.

"The six to a lane conditions and the first ever crowding of the bus



was quite a change, but we as a team got adjusted quite fast to it," junior Robin Moe said.

As with the numbers doesn't always come the closeness as teams should be.

"I feel more people know each other better and we have a lot more fun together," Hansen said.

The girls worked hard to achieve all of their personal and team goals. "There is a lot of positive energy this year," senior Keziah Keller said.

At the EDC meet hosted at the North Pool, the swimmers and divers came in at a 5<sup>th</sup> place finish, achieving a goal by swimming and diving an excellent meet.

The team went into State with high hopes and having many new qualifiers, and they were not disappointed. The swimming and diving team of 1999 placed in 11<sup>th</sup> at the State meet hosted at UND on November 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. "Congratulations to an extraordinary year, and I am very proud of all of them," senior Amy Sahr said.

By Amy Sahr

## GIRLS SWIMMING

	Us	Them
Central	123	98.5
Fargo North	77	109
Fargo South	80	106
Moorehead	73	112
Bismarck	96	90
Dt. Lakes	81	30
Perham	78	14
Shanley	142	43
Jamestown	56	130

INVITE	Score	Place
North	232	6th
Bismarck	81	9th
WF Quad	464	1st
South	102	9th

EDC 5th place  
State Finals 11th place



**Form is everything.** Concentrating hard before her dive, junior Dayna Hanson prepares herself.



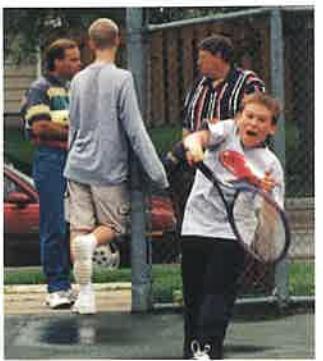
**Back row:** Assistant Coach Shelly Swanson, Cassie Meyer, Grace Moorhead, Kelsie Vouchim, Nicole Dobmeier, Rochelle Koehnen, Rachel Koehnen, Blair Moorhead, Amy Hoffard, Jenny Mittag, Head Coach Marsha Dahl. **Row 2:** Jill Springer, Katie Geron, Jami Lee, Sarah Christianson, Ashley Williams, Amy Sahr, Keziah Keller, Andrea Hansen, Chandra Heim, Dayna Hansen, Emily Thiel. **Row 3:** Stacy Hestbeck, Jenny Joyce, Erica Johansen, Robin Moe, Christa Entzminger, Amanda Drees, Stephanie Waquan, Ashley Eckert, Paige Abraham, Katie Peterson, Krista Stroh. **Front Row:** Ashley Setter, Amanda Hewson, Jennifer Kenyon, Tara Lettenmaier, Vanessa Johansen, Megan Selland, Lindsey Moe, Danielle Gjestvang, Andrea Flaten, Katie Joyce, Jessica Hajek.



**Practice makes perfect!** During one of their many practices, the Packer swim team gets ready for their next meet.

**Do you think Forrest could swim?** Taking some time before a meet, two Packer swimmers discuss their strategies.

## BOYS TENNIS



I'm going to Disneyland! delivering a great return, freshman Jared Ludwig shows his game face.



Back row: Matt Stark, Matt McGarry, Josh Koehnen, Matt Skallet, Coach Jeff York. Row 2: Jay Enebo, Jason Nitschke, Kyle Stroh, Ryan Hanson, Mark Gorde, Joe Burchill. Front: Jared Ludwig, Cody Kelly, Cory Syverson, Jesse Hackey, Jason Boerger.



Ummph! With an overhead smash, junior Jay Enebo hits the ball back to his opponent.

40 - love, serving! With perfect form, junior Joe Burchill serves an ace.

# NEW COACH, NEW ATTITUDE CREATE GOOD NEWS FOR BOYS TENNIS

	Us	Them
Red River	0	9
Jamestown	0	9
North	0	9
Shanley	3	6
Valley City	0	9
Wahpeton	0	9
South	0	9
Central	0	9
Shanley	2	3

The beginning of a new start for the boys tennis team started on the first day of practice with a new coach.

The new coach, Jeff York, made the team work as hard as they could to get to first place. The team started off with good practices, but just couldn't manage to do well at their tournaments.

"The first match went pretty well, but after that, the team just kept on going down hill from there," coach Jeff York said. The boys tennis team had a few star player's, but it is not a single player game. The way that it is ranked is by how many points that they receive as a team throughout the tourney.

With the team being young, the experience was not great enough

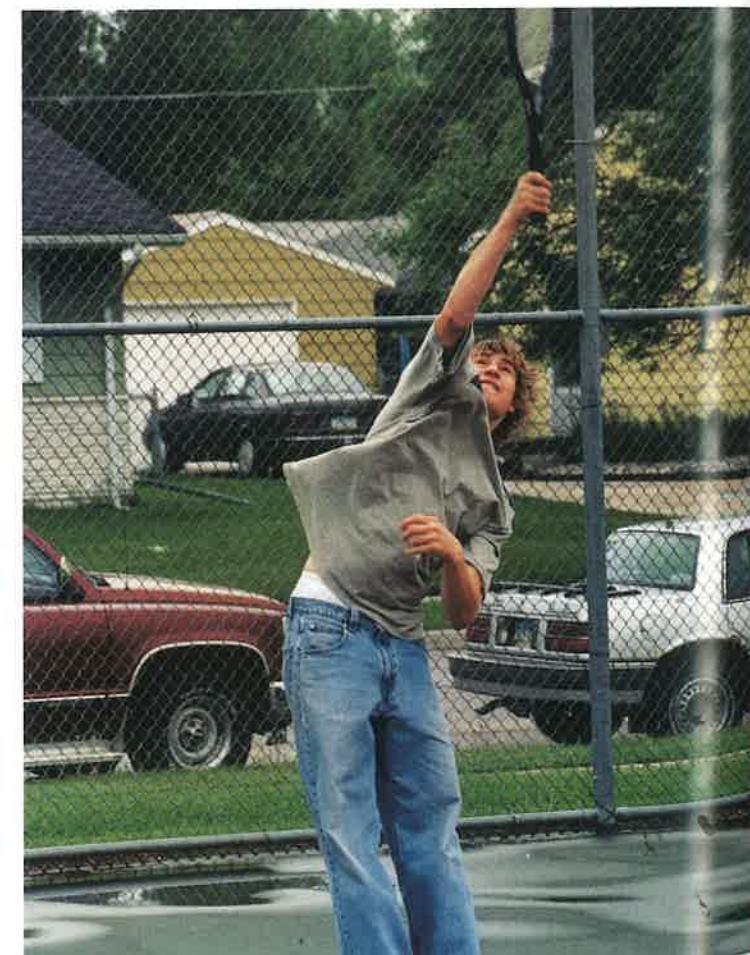
to be able to receive the amount of points to be able to have a award winning year.

With enough practice the boys tennis team would be able to hold the title. In a short period of time, the boys tennis team will be able to have what it takes to beat all the other teams, and dominate the tennis courts, said, Matt McGarry.

Even though the boys tennis team didn't have the greatest first year, they still had the West Fargo spirit and never gave up while in the line of fire.

In the near future they may be able to win first place and rule the courts at all matches. If the boys tennis team has enough spirit, they will be a big success.

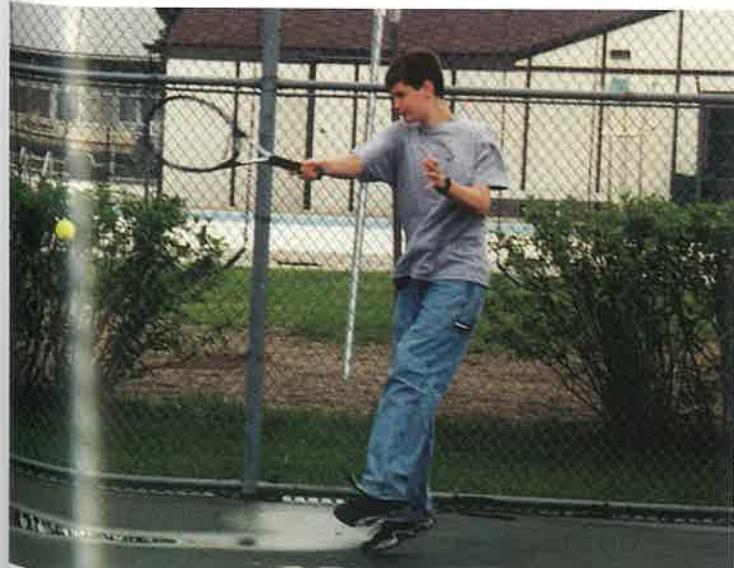
By Tony Krajeck



I can do the can-can! Backpeddling for a return, junior Matt McGarry kicks up his leg for a strong return.



I'm the king. With a powerful serve, sophomore Josh Koehnen punishes his opponent.



Watch out Agassi! Covering the baseline, freshman Matt Skallet shows his dominance.

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How low can you go? Crouching down for his shot, freshman Jesse Hackey makes the play.

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**“Run, Forrest, Run”** While playing the field against North, junior Kiel Elliot runs after the ball.



**“Group Hug!”** The team huddles to get the energy level up before their game.



## QUALITY SEASON NETTED BY TEAMWORK, FUN, FEEL FOR VICTORY

The boys' soccer team had their shares of ups and downs this year. They had a well put together team, but they just couldn't make the final cut for state.

Even though they didn't make it to state this year, there are many high hopes for the next year's season.

“Next year there will be mostly seniors, so the team should do very well... with the experience that they have,” senior Brent Bartsch said.

The team had a rough start but they came together in the end. They practiced hard as a team, they won as a team, and lost as a team. “Not just one person can

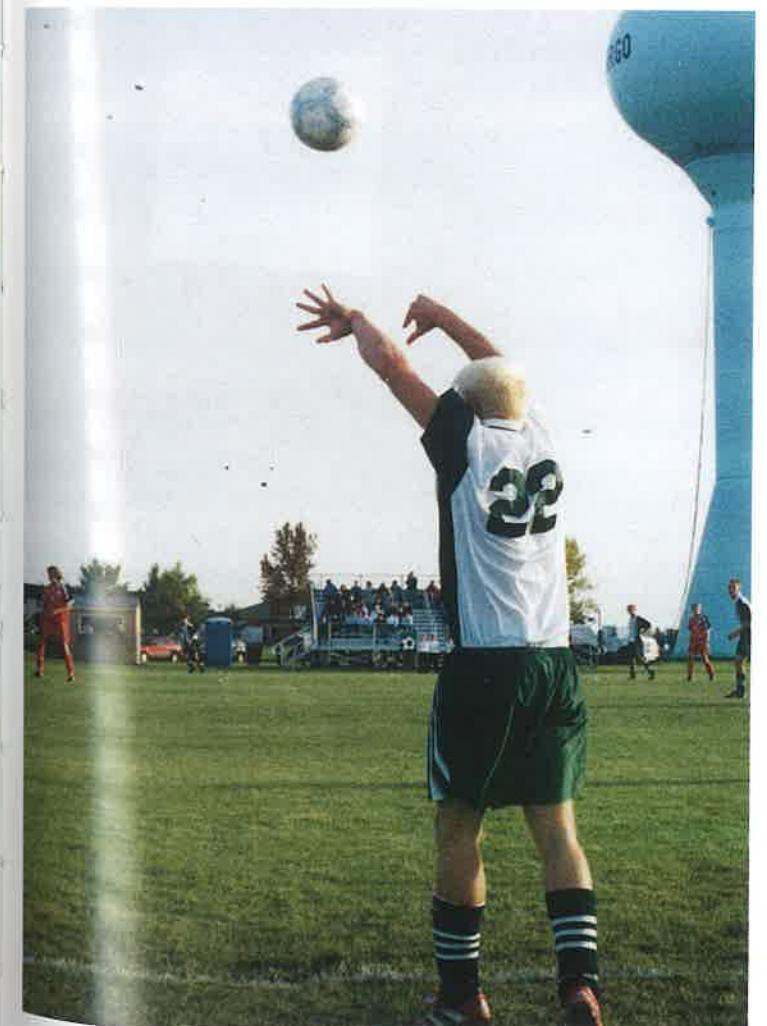
have a good season,” senior Jeremiah Sapp said. “...We play as a team not as individuals.”

Throughout the season the team had many memorable moments that many people could not forget and some memories that will be kept for a lifetime.

“When we had our game against Fargo North, and we beat them 2-1. It was a great feeling to beat such a talented team as North,” Sapp said.

Junior Kiel Elliot said “When Jason Buchholz megged the goalie in a Shanley game for the win.” With this unforgettable season in the past, the team looks forward to next year's season.

By Ashley Williams



**“I’m King of the World!”** Throwing the ball in from the sidelines, sophomore Jon Rossow throws to an open teammate.



**“I hope my hair looks alright.”** Concentrating on the ball, junior Travis Rud, kicks the ball hard into the new millennium.

### BOYS SOCCER

	Us	Them
Bismarck	0	6
Jamestown	0	2
Fargo North	0	2
GF Red River	0	4
GF Central	1	3
Fargo South	0	8
Crookston	2	2
Mandan	0	1
Bismarck St. Mary	3	0
Shanley	2	1
GF Red River	0	1
East GF	2	0
Fargo South	0	4
Moorhead	0	4
Shanley	1	1
Fargo North	2	1
Detroit Lakes	1	1
GF Central	0	1



**“Oh no you don’t!”** Running toward the ball junior Eric Gwost attempts to score a goal.



**Front Row:** Courtney LeClair, Jessica Roers, Brady Millar, Mike Gross, Peder Nyquist, Randi Wieland, Jodi Hendrickson. **Row 2:** Ronnie Engelking, Matt Woodbury, Brent Bartsch, Eirick Nelson, Jon Rossow, Lance Jerstad, Bryan Hall. **Row 3:** Brian Fredrick, Travis Rud, Aleks Tysseng, Blaine Horsager, Tanner Noonan, Nick Akers, Eric Gwost. **Back Row:** Head Coach Doug Millar, Jeremiah Sapp, Mike Neubauer, Chris McDougall, Jason Buchholz, Erik Schmidt, Nick Davis.

## GIRLS GOLF



**Eyes on the ball!** Cautiously, junior Meaghan Pratt lines up to swing.



**Front row:** Ashley Jordet, Destinee Kemmit, Erika Hochgraber, Sandra Peterson. **Back row:** Kristel Flores, Krista Johnson, Marin Rosenvold, Meaghan Pratt, Coach Greg Jenkins. Not Pictured: Tess Jens



**I am Tiger Woods.** Concentrating hard, freshman Marin Rosenvold swings her hardest.

**Fore!** Swinging her hardest, senior Krista Johnson gets ready to smack the ball.

# GIRLS GOLF TEAM RECEIVES NEW COACH AMONG OTHER THINGS

	Score	Place
Jamestown	465	9
Wahpeton	469	9
Grand Forks	405	8
Devils Lake	412	8
West Fargo	414	8
Fargo North	410	8
EDC	421	8
State	866	13

From bogies and birdies to drivers and putters. The girls golf team had a few changes for the season. They started off with a new coach. The team was a younger group of girls, it included only one senior.

The girls practiced every day after school at Village Green. New coach Greg Jenkins, enjoyed working with them. He said, "We had a lot of fun this year. They are really a great bunch of gals."

All the girls seemed to enjoy their new coach. Junior Meaghan Pratt said about Jenkins, "I really like his coaching. He really took the time to help us out. He was very patient with all of us girls." The girls did a lot of improving through the season. They started out with an average of about four hundred sixty-five strokes per meet. Toward the end of the season they were at an average of

around four hundred and five strokes per meet.

Another excitement for the team was the fact that they made state. Their first day was cold and windy and the girls were very nervous. "I wasn't used to playing when it's so windy," Pratt said. It was a struggle for the girls.

The second day they came back and really concentrated. They did much better. Jenkins said, "If the girls would have played as well as they did the second day on the first, we would have come in quite a few places higher."

Overall the girls took thirteenth place in state. Jenkins is sure they will do much better next season and is planning on being right there coaching them. He hopes the girls had a good time and gained some good experience from it.

By Kristi Jun



**Let's get physical!** Taking a hard swing, sophomore Tess Jens knocks it out of the field.



**If I just twist a little bit more...** practicing her golf swing, junior Meaghan Pratt hits the ball.



**Where'd my ball go?** Looking on, senior Krista Johnson watches her ball disappear in the air.

**Be the Ball.** Lining up, freshman Marin Rosenvold practices her stance.

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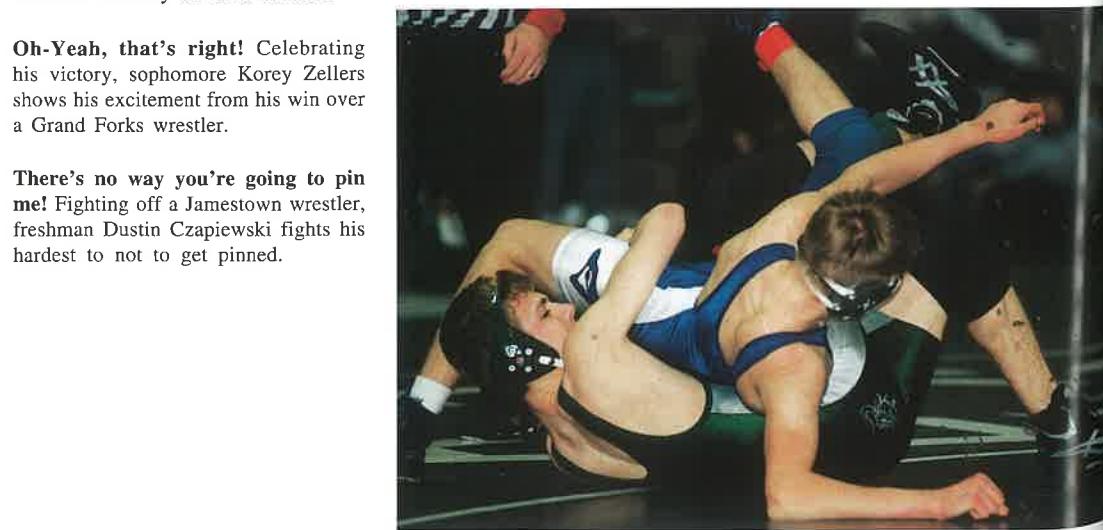
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Pictures Courtesy of Dave Samson

**Oh-Yeah, that's right!** Celebrating his victory, sophomore Korey Zellers shows his excitement from his win over a Grand Forks wrestler.

**There's no way you're going to pin me!** Fighting off a Jamestown wrestler, freshman Dustin Czapiewski fights his hardest to not to get pinned.



Come on just flip over already! Trying to pin his opponent, sophomore Charlie LeClair works on placing a wrestler on his back to end the match.

## POUND HIM MAN, POUND HIM INTO DA MAT YEAH

Going onto a big mat in the middle of a gym floor with a gigantic spot light on you and one other person can be quite nerve racking, but somehow these amazing wrestlers pull it off.

"At first it's a little nerve racking, but you get used to focusing on beating your opponent," said junior Shawn Odden.

Putting any and all anxiety aside, the wrestling team went out there and wowed everyone (even themselves).

"We were a little surprised that our team did so well. We always knew we had the potential, but not that much!" junior Ryan Haring said.

Accomplishing their team and

self goals helped give the team an extra boost of confidence to go out there and do what they know best: beat the other team.

Do to no seniors leaving the team at the end of their season, the wrestlers are really looking forward to next years season. With a lot of experience on the team, it's predicted that the 2000-2001 wrestling team will do quite well.

Since there wasn't any seniors leaving at the end of the season the team has a lot of experienced players. They were ready for a successful coming up season and looking forward to next years challenges.

By Jenny Grinde

**"This year was quite an awesome year! Next year will be even better! We're trying harder and there's a lot of good wrestlers on the team and a lot of experience," sophomore Korey Zellers said.**

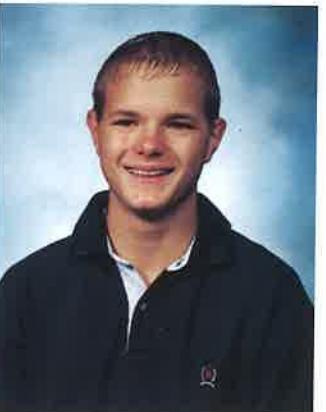
### WRESTLING

Valley City	Us	Them
Jamestown	9	51
South	45	24
Central	77	0
Dvl. Lake	44	25
Red River	66	11
Wahpeton	30	37
Moorhead	41	27
North	29	27

Tourney:	Pts.	Place
Wahpeton	159	3/11
Gr. Forks	3-1	2/5
West Fargo	1-2	3/4
Bismarck	150	5/9
Fargo	123	4/7

EDC	150	5/9
State	33	14/18



**Look mom, I'm in the paper!** Posing for the paper, junior Shawn Odden is happy to get his picture taken for recognition.



**Front Row:** Trainer Betsy Anderson, Justin Schulz, Chris Borah, Eric Hanlon, Charlie Leclair, Keith Sebelius, Korey Zellers, Baily Budillo, Matt Christenson and Trainer Jami Lee. **Row 2:** Trainer Stacey Costain, Ryan Haring, Curtis Werlinger, Mike Gross, Bryan Reidinger, Mike Johnson, Mark Gorde, Kyle Stroh, Josh Ackerman and Trainer Megan Robley. **Back Row:** Coach Steve Marquart, Coach Jim Thomas, Dustin Czapiewski, Craig Bjorland, Travis Heise, Nick Bonnet, Brian Johnson, Rob Margheim, Shawn Odden, Chad Walock and Coach Mitch Goehring.



Courtesy of Dave Samson

**Owwwee, that hurts!** Pushing his way to victory, varsity wrestler Keith Sebelius keeps on his Fargo South opponent till the end.

## GYMNASTICS

### Opponent

North  
Mandan  
Dickinson  
W Fargo Quad  
North Quad  
North Invite  
Valley Invite  
Moohead  
Whapeton  
Packer Invite  
Grand Forks  
Regionals

Opponent	Points
North	126.15
Mandan	129.275
Dickinson	128.00
W Fargo Quad	129.96
North Quad	133.8
North Invite	134.90
Valley Invite	130.35
Moohead	132.54
Whapeton	130.60
Packer Invite	130.35
Grand Forks	130.025
Regionals	135.50



First row: Dayna Hansen, Jodi Sailer, Sara Lauritsen, Lindsey Lauritsen. Second row: Karrie Burdick, Leisha Ihry, Rebecca Esquivel. Third row: Erika Johansen, Stephanie Kuehn. Fourth row: April Hagel, Erin Cleary. Back row: Kristen Westman.



I'm getting tired of smiling... Giving an ear to ear grin freshman Erika Johansen and Lindsey Lauritsen show some teeth.

Vogue, vogue, vogue!! Striking a pose seniors April Hagel, Jodi Sailer, and Leisha Ihry smile wide for the camera.

## BEST FLIP FORWARD

The gymnastics team had a wonderful year. Many improvements were made last year and many factors helped with their success. The two main factors were the brand new facility in South Fargo which they shared with three other high school teams and their new head coach, Cindy Willows.

The team set many new records this year including winning their first meet as a team in the history of West Fargo. "We stuck together through everything and we worked hard for what we wanted," senior April Hagel said. Many of the girls placed in the top 10 at meets and a few of them took first at several meets on various events.

They did not make it to state as a team this year, but senior Jodi Sailer and junior Dayna Hansen did go as individuals.

Seniors have mixed feelings about the end of the season. "It's hard to accept that my high school career is over but I know there is more to come. The girls will do great next year, because they are a strong group if they work together," senior Jodi Sailer said.

Through injuries and setbacks the team had a successful year and are looking to come back stronger. "I hope the girls continue to work as hard in the future years as they did for us," senior Leisha Ihry said.

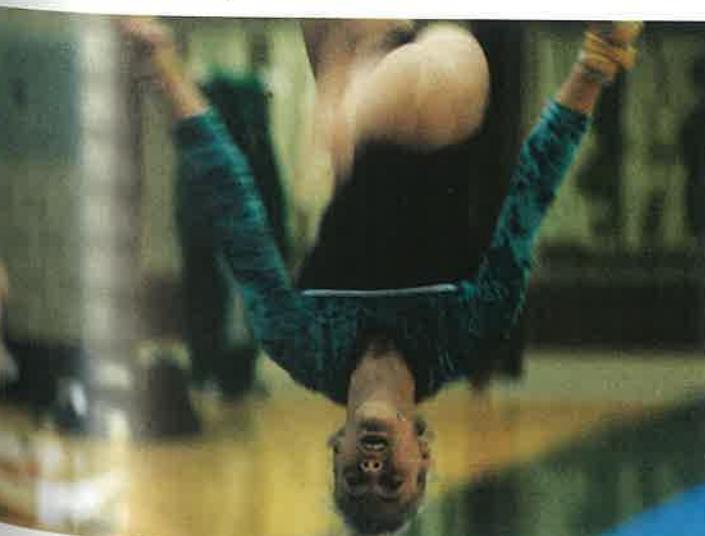
By Jodi Sailer



Say cheese... At a practice, the team poses for a group shot.



Yeah, we did it!! Showing their awards, seniors April Hagel, Leisha Ihry, and Jodi Sailer are all smiles.



Head rush! Captured in mid-flip senior Jodi Sailer concentrates on her movements.



I really hope we don't fall. Lying across the uneven bars seniors Leisha Ihry, April Hagel, and Jodi Sailer stretch their muscles.

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We have liftoff! Jumping up with the ball, sophomore Steve Brennan tries to get past the other team for a shot.

"Okay, we can get past them if we try doing this..." Meeting during a time-out, the team gathers together to discuss their next play.



## WITH HIGH HOPES, THE PACKERS STROVE FOR SUCCESS.

With a certain sense of accomplishment, the boys basketball team completed their last game after a rollercoaster-like season of ups and downs.

The blow of their losses was softened somewhat by the seven game winning streak, and the fact that they beat South twice during the season. By beating some of the best teams in the division, the boys' confidence stayed strong and spirits soared.

"The best part of the year was when we won all of those games. We got on a roll and nobody could beat us," junior Chris Korsgarden said.

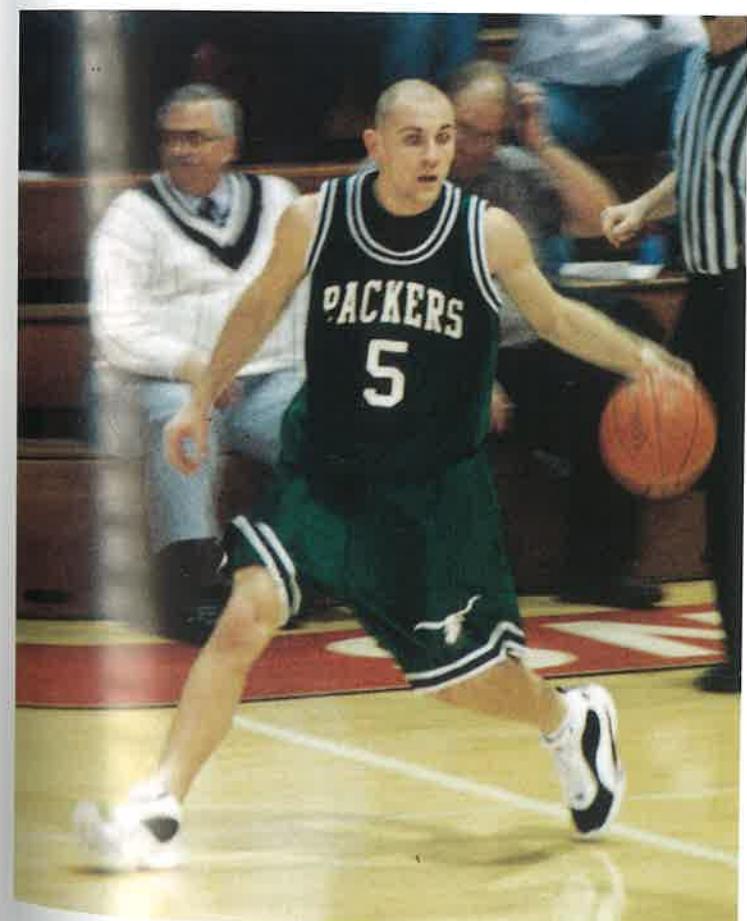
"The kids played hard and had a lot of fun, but it was disappoint-

ing not to reach the ultimate goal of state champions," coach Doyle Plecity said. "We were as good as any team, and deserved a shot at EDC."

Although, most people agreed that defense was the team's strongest point, there were some incredible comebacks and game winning shots made right at the buzzer. That has to say something for the offense.

As the season came to an end, the underclassmen looked ahead to the season next year. Even though some valuable players will have graduated, the team will be as strong as ever and continue to make West Fargo proud.

By Leah Brekke



## BASKETBALL

	Us	Them
Jamestown	58	50
Moorhead	45	50
South	57	55
Mandan	43	38
St. Marys	54	52
Fergus Falls	70	46
Whapeton	53	55
North	59	60
Shanley	75	51
Red River	43	56
Moorhead	57	58
Valley City	80	70
Central	68	63
Grafton	88	29
South	61	57
North	57	56
Devils Lake	64	60
Shanley	62	43
Jamestown	50	65
Valley City	65	79
Devils Lake	61	74



"C'mon guys, get in place!" After receiving possession of the ball, senior Casey Amundson looks to see who's open.



**Front row:** Zach Lavelle (mngr.), Amber Voller (mngr.), Coach Bob Monte, Sara Majkrzak (stats.), and Jen Western (stats.). **Row 2:** Coach Rick Anderson, Jason Buchholz, Todd Schaffer, Brent Tehven, Caleb Fink, Adam Silbernagel, Casey Werlinger, Steve Brennan, Steve Majkrzak, Chad Wolf, and Alicia Olson. **Back row:** Coach Nathan Knudson, Mariah Peterson (trainer), Nick Larson, Casey Amundson, Caleb Westlund, Chris Korsgarden, Tyler Farkas, Nils Eberhardt, Tara Sheeley (mngr.), and Coach Doyle Plecity.



Should I break left or right? While running down the court, senior Nick Larson carefully decides his next move.

"Concentrate, and you'll be fine." Showing a little support, senior Casey Amundson gives senior Caleb Fink a pre-free throw pep talk.

## VOLLEYBALL



I won't miss it! While waiting for the ball, sophomore Chrissy Vetter swings into action.



Back Row: Coach Randy Holzkamm, Kristin Murch, Carrie Sorteberg, Mackenzie Close, Maggie Asmund, Jennifer Weil, Liza Sorteberg, Lisa Haar, Lindsay Evenson, Nick Westburg (Student Trainer). Second Row: Meghann Moen, Amy Donlin, Heidi Hansen, Lindsay Pavek, Crystal Schaeffer, Katie Rasmussen, Brea Rheault, Chrissy Vetter, Theresa Bohls. Front Row: Serena Nordstrom (Statistician), Taryn Christianson (Statistician), Amanda Schar (Stat/Manager), Jodi Schultz (Stat/manager).



Bring it on! While glaring at an opposing team, sophomore Mackenzie Close and senior Lisa Haar prepare for the beginning of the game.

	Us	Them
Shanley	8	3
Central Cass	2	0
Napolean	2	0
Griggs	2	0
Hazen	2	0
Thompson	2	0
Burlington	2	0
Fargo South	9	3
Belcourt	3	0
Williston	1	6
St. Marys	3	0
Bismarck	2	1
Minot	5	6
Valley City	6	1
Fargo North	3	8
Devils Lake	7	4
Wahpeton	2	0
Mandan	2	0
Jamestown	3	0
Red River	6	2

# VOLLEYBALL TEAM BUMPS THEIR WAY INTO FINALS, SCORES!

The volleyball team had a season record of 29 wins and 9 losses, finishing second in the final conference standings.

The season was filled with many highlights. "We finally worked as a team the whole year, we had lots of talent which made us succeed throughout the season, we ended up taking 3rd at state and the first to beat North," senior Heidi Hansen said.

The team played excellent games throughout their season, and they strove to become the third best team in the league. Throughout the season, Head Coach Mr. Holzkamm strove with his team to get them to practice every night. The girls tried their hardest to please Holzkamm, which meant

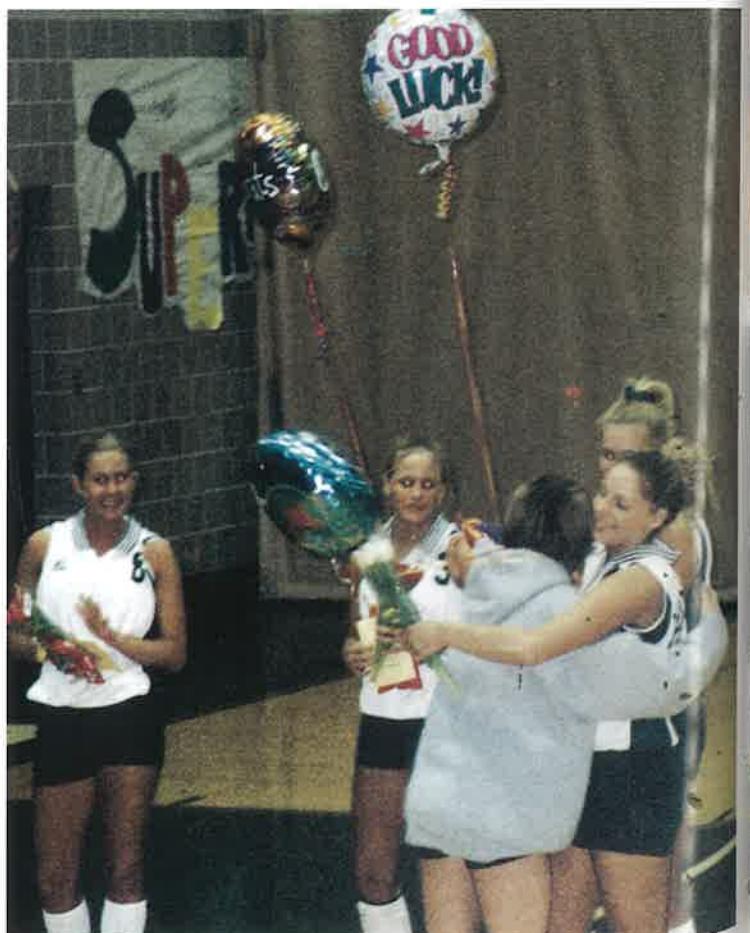
that they had to bump, set, and spike their way to the top.

Team chemistry was also a strength. They had a good time using strength and wit. There were many jokes played on one another, "Just embarrassing 'Mr. H' all year, especially when we came to practice wearing bun huggers," senior Maggie Asmund said.

Every game they had, the girls usually succeeded in winning the most games out of three that they could.

Winning third place in the volleyball championships was a hard goal for these girls to accomplish. With their awesome talent, these girls proved that they could go to the top!

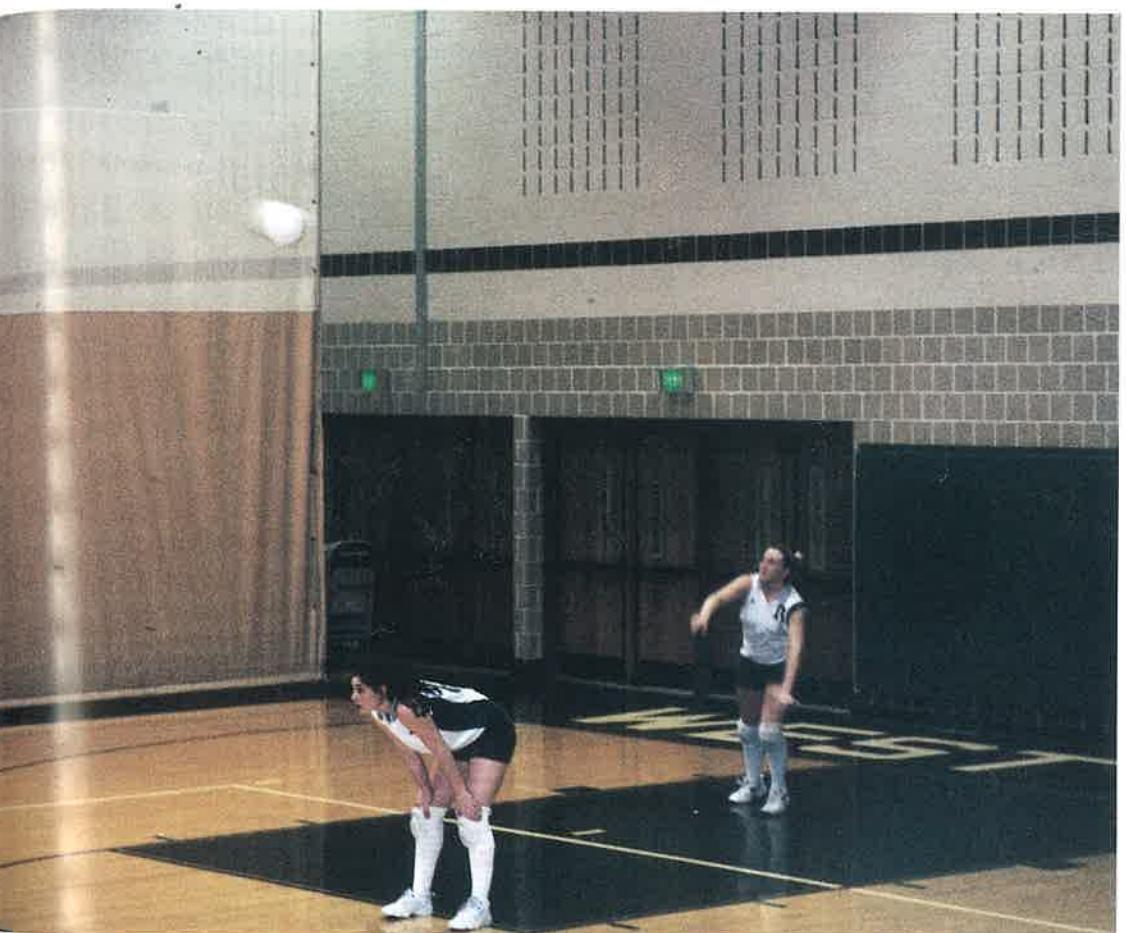
By Sarah Murray



We're beautiful, we know it! While hugging their student trainer, seniors Liza Sorteberg, Maggie Asmund, Heidi Hansen and Lisa Haar congratulate one another.



Congratulations, ladies! While clapping his hands, student trainer Nick Westburg looks on as his girls advance on in their volleyball careers.



11-0, now serving. While using her overhand serve, junior Kristin Murch states the score and lets the ball rip over the net.



I'm up to serve....again? While holding the ball ever so carefully, senior Lisa Haar decides which serve she should use.

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**Ouch, how am I going to get up now!** Colliding with the opposing team, sophomore Josh Swangler struggles to get up from the ice.



**Don't take all day!** Patiently awaiting for the puck, juniors Matt Hinschberger and Tyler Bosch take it easy.



**Excuse my stick.** Upstucturing his opponents path, sophomore Josh Swangler tries to steal away what's rightfully his.

**We are the champions!** After beating Red Lake Falls at a home game, the hockey team huddles together to celebrate.



# HOCKEY REV'S UP

Hockey had a great combination of determination and cooperation last year. With one tie, the Packers had a great season with only 13 losses and 9 wins.

"The first part of the season went pretty well," junior Brandon Vetter said.

Even though the season was slow at first, the Packers proved they had the heart that makes a good team.

"There were some let downs that hurt us, but overall the players are working hard and doing a good job," Coach Ross Richards said.

Every year the teams makeup is different, and last year the team was fairly balanced. They had three solid lines with equally solid defensemen.

Seniors John Jore, Jason Streed,

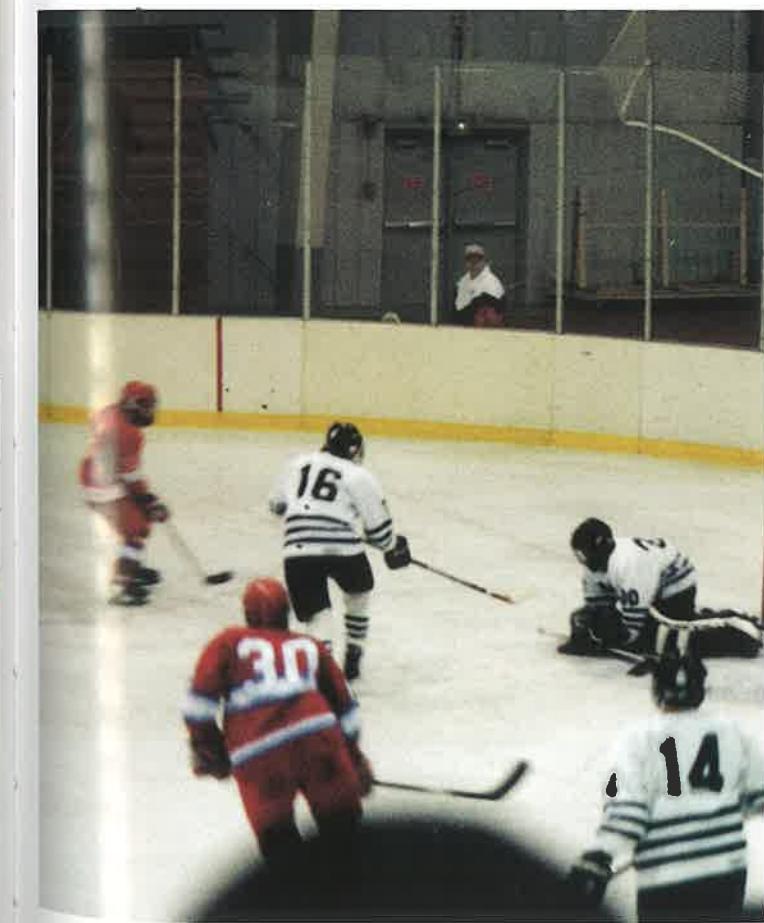
and junior Jeremy Larson showed a great improvement since the beginning of the season.

Other players have had a constant stream of bad luck through the whole year. A couple of small injuries that accured during the year was also accompanied by a broken wrist and ankle.

The Packers started off the EDC tournament by playing the Fargo South Bruins. Even though they played hard they lost 5-1, and went on to play North.

Their next game with Fargo North left another loss under their belt, which automatically eliminated them from the tournament. Overall the hockey team last year was well put together, and they were very successful.

By Jennifer Claus



**Don't even think about it!** Keeping the puck out of the goal, freshmen goalie Nick Reinisch tries to block the net.



**I'm open!** Ready to receive the puck, senior John Jore waits for the pass.

## HOCKEY

	Us	Them
Century	3	2
Jamestown	1	4
Wahp./Breck.	5	4
South	1	3
R. L. Falls	4	2
Grafton	3	5
Dt. Lakes	1	3
Mandan	5	1
Dvls. Lake	2	3
Bottineau	5	3
North	2	3
Grafton	0	5
Wahp./Breck.	9	1
South	1	5
Red River	1	9
Mandan	2	0
North	8	5
Central	3	3
Wadena	5	3
R. L. Falls	3	5
Jamestown	2	7
South	1	5
North	2	4



**I'll take that!** Moving to side, senior Matt Dondoneau tries to get past his opponent.



**Back row:** Coach Aaron Dodd, Adam Spiekermeier, Josh Swangler, Derek Miller, Matt Hinschberger, Brandon Vetter, Jeremy Larson, Ian Ulness, Tyler Bosch, Coach Joel Swanson, Head Coach Ross Richards. **Middle row:** Lee Baldwin, Chris Hunt, Brad Mercil, Jesse Reese, Michael Lorz, Jon Donnelly, Caleb Johnson, Jason Streed, Matt Dondoneau, Andy Wilson, John Jore, Nick Reinisch. **Front row:** Kerry Smith, Jessica Peihl, Jodie Pedersen, Nickie Wileman.

## BOYS SWIMMING

	Place	Fg. S.	106	80
Fargo Quad	1 <sup>st</sup>	Fg. N	101	85
North Pent	1 <sup>st</sup>			
Us	Them	Invite	Place	Score
Gr. Fks. 108	77	UND Invite	5 <sup>th</sup>	
James. 135	49	Bismarck Inv.	3 <sup>rd</sup>	
Bis. 127	55	Bismarck Inv.	2 <sup>nd</sup>	
Cent. 139	41	Fg. South Inv.	3 <sup>rd</sup>	
Mhd. 102	87	Grand Forks	2 <sup>nd</sup>	
Mand. 84	102	EDC	3 <sup>rd</sup>	282
Minot 61	125	State	3 <sup>rd</sup>	271



**Front Row:** Paige Abraham, Tara Lettenmaier, Matt Gilbertson, Billy Hanson, David Krough, Jared Klevens, Cody Kavett, Ben Heuther, Chandra Heim, and Rochelle Koehnen. **Row 2:** Andy Schouen, John Loberg, Zack Zeigler, Steve Gilbertson, Ben Burchill, Charlie Kaspari, Joe Burchill, Ryan Sandbeck, and Sam Christianson. **Back Row:** Coach Marsha Dahl, Mark Veitenheimer, Matt Christianson, Josh Koehnen, Austin Redington, Ryan Rust, Ryan Entzminger, Matt Dehnert, and Coach Claudia.



**It's a bird! It's a plane! No! It's Ben!** Striving for the best time possible, senior Ben Burchill swims his very best.

**I did what?!** Gasping for a breath while asking for a time, sophomore Josh Koehnen breathes a sigh of relief after a hard race.

## BOYS SWIMMING SWIMS THEIR WAY TO THIRD STATE PLACEMENT

Water. Aqua. H2O. Chlorination. Of course these are all terms that deal with water and who deals with water? The boys swim team, of course.

Nearly every day the team swam and practiced for nearly two hours. This was all the time they were able to have at the pool in the afternoons, because public swimming started in the evening.

What these guys had to go through to be their best was odd. Like shaving their arms, legs, and maybe even their armpits. This may sound weird, but actually it improved their time and every second in a race counts. In fact, even the swimmers themselves were a little surprised at this aspect of swimming and of where the guys

were willing to shave. Matt Dehnert asked fellow teammates, "You shaved your armpits and legs?!" He didn't really want to hear the answer though.

The captains consisted of junior Matt Christenson, sophomore Josh Keenen, and junior Ryan Rust.

The swim team had many goals this year. Some swimmers really felt that they accomplished all of them. "I really felt that I met all of my goals for this season," junior Joe Burchill said.

Although they did not get first at state, they felt they did as well as possible. They were also still proud of their third place state finish.

By Marissa Krzmarzick



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**I did what?!** Gasping for a breath while asking for a time, sophomore Josh Koehnen breathes a sigh of relief after a hard race.



**One, Two, Three, Switch!** Taking a big breath, sophomore Austin Redington, swims a freestyle swim.



**Ha. Ha. That's funny.** Smiling at something funny, junior Mark Veitenheimer rests at the side of the pool.



**Oh my gosh! I'm a sitting duck!** Preparing for a meet, junior Matt Dehnert takes a little breather.



**Oh wow! These goggles turn everything orange.** Gazing out at the camera, sophomore Josh Koehnen treads water.

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**Coming 'round the bend!** Pushing hard to finish the race, junior Kristin Murch uses every bit of strength and perseverance that she's got.



**Ok, here goes nothing.** Getting a running start, junior Meghann Moen throws the javeline to her fullest potential.



**Reach!!** After a sprinting start, junior Chad Hagar takes a leap of faith hoping to accomplish his goal.

**Take your mark, get set, GO!!** Leaving the blocks, junior Kacie Hughes pushes off to a great start.



## TRACK RUNS, THROWS, VAULTS, JUMPS TO HARD EARNED WINS

Blood, sweat, and tears...well, maybe not the blood and tears part, but sweat was sure a key element in the track seasons. Both girls and guys track had a positive season.

"We've had good girls relays, and Jacinta Kuehn's speed really helped in earning team points," junior Lindsay Pavek said.

The track team did have a few new changes to their team. They had several new qualifiers such as Meghan Moen and Tess Jens. They also had some talented younger runners.

Tracksters are showing many talented upcoming runners and field participants in the seasons to come. Making it to state made all of the hard work that each team

member put in throughout the year worth it.

Overall, the boys came out with eight points. Helping with that was senior Ross Brennan placing 2nd in shot put. The girls scored 17 points with the help of juniors Kristin Murch (1600 and 3200 meter run) and Jacinta Kuehn (100 and 200 meter dash).

Of course there is always room for improvement. Pavek commented on how many talented runners were close to qualifying but just need to work on their individual events a little harder.

The continuous hard work that the track team has shown, will definitely bring much earned success in future years to come.

By Jenny Grinde



**Up, up, and away!!!** Vaulting himself, sophomore Nick Senf, attempts to peel over the bar.



**Here you go.** Throwing the discus, sophomore Brett Wigglesworth launches himself forward.

## TRACK

Pts. Place

Packer Relays	
Girls	109
Boys	133
EDC Indoor	
Girls	30
Boys	24
EDC Outdoor	
Girls	36 1/2
Boys	28
Team	20

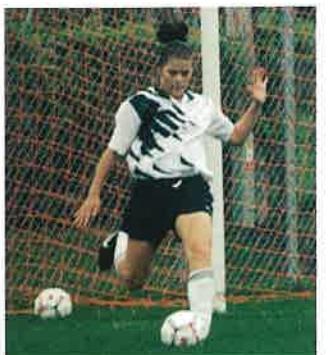


**Time??** During a meet, West Fargo Track Coaches, Mr. Darrin Boehm and Mr. Randy Holzkamm, time their runners.



**Front Row:** Meghann Moen, Katie Rasmussen, Kacie Hughes, Martina Heinle, Jacinta Kuehn, Lindsay Pavek, Hilary Thomas, Stephanell Kuehn, and Lauren Bates. **Row 2:** Tess Jens, Kelly Foss, Kristina Pederson, Kristin Murch, Blair Moorhead, Elizabeth Dosland, Jennifer Weil, Chelsey Erdmann, Susan Worthington, Kelly Hanson, and Elise Pederson. **Row 3:** Zach Lavelle, Dan Francis, Nick Senf, Brett Wigglesworth, Ross Brennan, Aaron Flynn, Marc Mosser, Andrew Yanish, and Brian Lee. **Row 4:** Forrest Fuller, Brent Eken, James Vranish, Tim Burner, Josh Diemert, Bryan Reidinger, Marcus Urlaub, Lyle Sinner, Nathan Gross, Chad Hager, Brad Amundson, Steve Brennan, and Billy Hanson. **Row 5:** Brian Fraedt, Cole Gaugler, Shawn Odden, Nick Bonnet, Brandon Laufenberg, Josh Kratcha, and Jeremy Buchre. **Back Row:** Mr. Lennon, Brian Tucker, Kevin Froeber, Mr. Boehm, Mr. Holzkamm, and Mr. McKinnon.

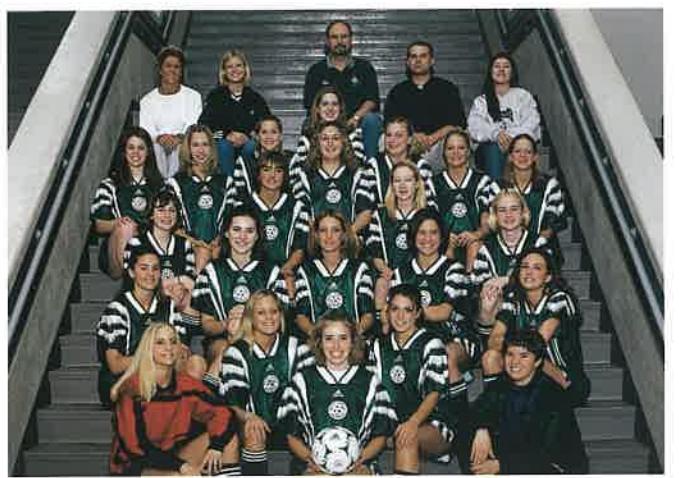
## GIRLS SOCCER



**Mark up and be ready!!** Taking a power goal kick, freshman Kim Bruns gets set to send the ball for a ride down the field.

	Us	Them
Devils Lake	7	0
Mandan	8	3
James	1	3
Shanley	0	0
North	0	4
Central	2	0
South	0	4
Red River	2	2
Shanley	0	0
North	0	1
Central	0	1
Minot	1	1
Devils Lake	9	0
Central	3	1
Bismarck	1	2
St. Mary's	2	1
South	0	6
Red River	4	0

STATE	Us	Them
St. Mary's	0	0
Bismarck	0	1
South	0	1



**Front Row:** Stacey Leske, Heidi Hansen, Courtney LeClair, Jordan Jost, and Jodie Pedersen. **Row 2:** Erin Moch, Brooke Bruns, Amanda Krenz, Jennifer Prudick, and Rani Pope. **Row 3:** Tracy Tanner, Kristin Weatherly, Brittany Zinniel, Rylee Brewster, and Ann Timmerman. **Row 4:** Ashley Swensen, Mariah Peterson, Katie Bishoff, Kara Johnson, Sydney Brown, Amber Voeller, and Angie Bishoff. **Back Row (Coaches):** Merritt Davis, Heather Hansen, Jim Flores, Jason Gooding, and Ericka Freed.



**Don't let her shoot!!!** Sprinting down the field, junior Tracy Tanner and sophomore Kristin Weatherly hustle back to play defense.

**Go down line.** Getting ready to inbound the ball, junior Amber Voeller directs her throw toward a teammate.

# GIRLS SOCCER TEAM STEPS IT UP, KICKING THEIR WAY TO STATE

With a banana turn and a chip, the girl's soccer team began their season with a dominating 7-0 victory over Devils Lake. And that was only the beginning!

Showing greater ability and determination than previous years' teams, the Packers proved themselves on the field. A strong base of 7-8 players, as well as an astounding performance by underclassmen, could be credited with the team's tremendous success.

"Over the past few years West Fargo has had the potential to be a great team. We picked it up a step this time around and were able to demonstrate our abilities," junior Tracy Tanner said.

Good early season weather conditions also aided the team. By

mid-season the weather was hot, reminding players of summer soccer conditions! Also beneficial and new to the team were coaches Merritt Davis, Heather Hansen, and Ericka Freed, who aided Head Coach Jim Flores and Assistant Coach Jason Gooding.

Not only was the team able to demonstrate their abilities, but they were also able to work together and accomplish their many goals one of which included going to the state tournament.

At state, the Packers were very competitive, tying their first game and losing their second and third games by only one point. Overall, the soccer team had a very successful and memorable year.

By Courtney LeClair



**Mine!!!** After gaining possession of the ball, junior Amahda Krenz works to fight off a defender.



**Way to go for the header!!** Keeping the ball in bounds, senior Heidi Hansen winces after sending the ball backwards.

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**Is anybody in there?** Looking to see if he made a hole in one, senior Lee Baldwin scans for his ball.

**Over there! Over there!** Thinking about the big tournament, junior Randy Meyer, focuses on his opponents.

**Rolling with the Homies.** Surveying the golf field, Mr. Gad, the golf instructor, heads over to give some guidance.

## GOLF TEAM PROVES TO BE MORE POPULAR AMONG FUTURE GOLFERS

Last year the golf team really worked together as a group throughout the season, and everyone got along well with their teammates. The whole team had a lot of potential to really make something out of their techniques. For next year, all they need is to focus a little more on what they're doing overall on the field.

"We have an excellent group of seniors who have a great work ethic, and it has really been a good year," coach Chuck Gad said.

Even though the team got along well, they still need to work on being more consistent. Also, more concentration on the game could really make their goals

more reachable for next year.

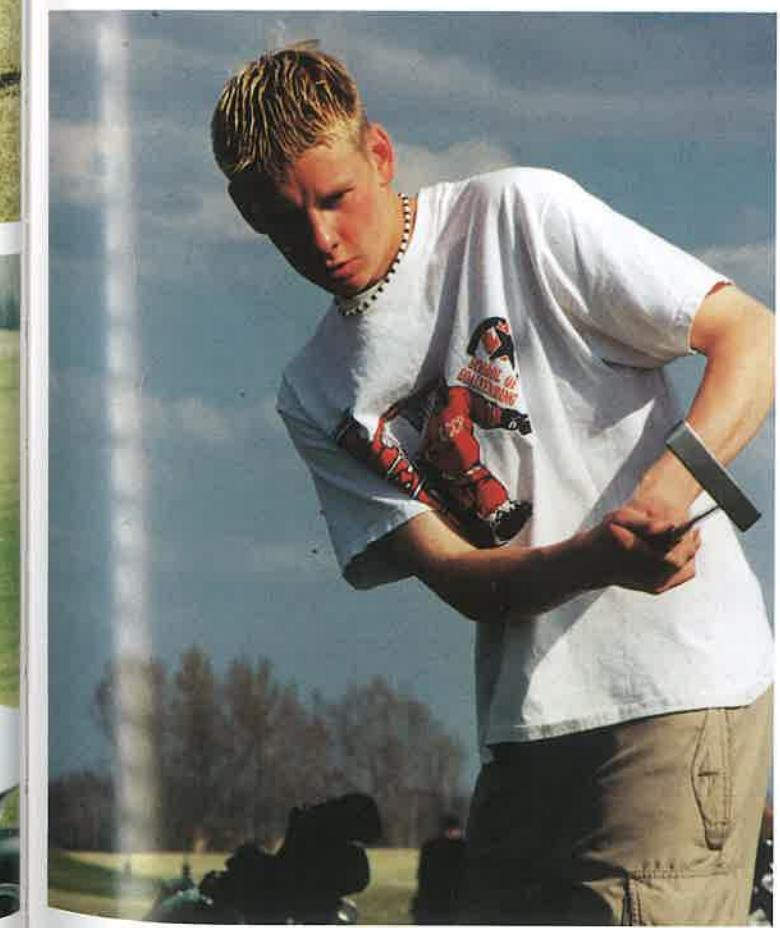
"We all have the capability to win, but we just don't come together in tournaments," senior Matt Faller said.

Overall, last year was fun for those who were involved. It's obvious to tell how much more golf is enjoyed by how many participants joined.

"Golf was fun and the team really got along. We could, however improve by working together," junior Randy Meyer said.

To finish off the golf season, Aaron Balster was the only one who qualified to go to EDC and State last year. Unfortunately, his score wasn't enough to bring home any awards.

By Jennifer Claus



**Where did it go?** Watching the ball, senior Lee Baldwin predicts where the ball will land.

**Now what am I suppose to do?** Waiting for some inspiration, senior Erik Hansen prepares to hit a hole-n-one.

## BOYS GOLF

### Team Strokes

W. Fargo Quad	341
Wapt. Quad	333
Jmstwn. Inv.	326
W. Fgo Tri.	343
Wapt. Inv.	320
Valley City Tri.	331
Grand Forks Inv.	339
W. Fargo Tri.	335
Fargo Inv.	331
Mhd Inv.	360
EDC	331



**Hey mom, look at me!** Hitting the ball as hard as he can, junior Boe Sheeley tries to dig a hole.



**Front row:** Coach Chuck Gad, Brandon Vetter, Erik Hansen, Corey Johnson, Aaron Balster, Matt Faller, Derek Miller, Adam Byrne, Coach Steve Anderson. **Row 2:** Coach Bill Colpits, Ahron Walter, Randy Meyer, Boe Sheeley, Lee Baldwin. **Row 3:** Brett Kingsley, Andrew Moch, Matt Weston, Brian Hage, Brian Kingsley. **Back row:** Mitchell Jore, Matt Johnson, Nathan Johnson, Blake Nitzkorski, Brady Edwards.



## BASEBALL



**Roll to me!** Waiting for the ball, senior Jarrod Schwab makes sure his stance won't interfere with his chance of getting to the ball.



**Front Row:** Andy Scott, Leigh Kitzan, Kyle King, Travis Ekren, Josh Jackson, Nick Prashek. **Row 2:** Matt Grossman, Jeremiah Sapp, Jason Renfrew, Adam Driscoll, Blaine Horsager, John Nelson, Peter Malaterre. **Back Row:** Coach Chad Ransom, Dustin Ertelt, Nick Hill, Chris McDougall, Caleb Fink, Jarrod Schwab, Matt Kelley, Coach Steve Korsmo.



**Here, catch this one!** Throwing his hardest, junior Matt Grossman keeps the baserunner from advancing.

**And we have a CONNECTION!** With his grasp firmly on the bat, junior Blaine Horsager hits the pitch.

## BASEBALL PLAYS FOR GROUNDERS, DOUBLE PLAYS, GRAND SLAMS!!!!

It's a fast pitch and the batter slams it out into the vast fields next to the right field walls. The crowd goes wild, as their eyes twinkle at the sight of the ball sailing through the air.

The batter rounds the 2nd base heading for third. All of a sudden, in flies the ball to the catcher. He's outta there. The crowd plops down, offended that West Fargo got the batter out.

The baseball team of West Fargo spent hours of practice and hard work to make themselves tough. They played hard and used their own team spirit to receive their final record of 13 wins and 16 losses.

The season opened well with senior Caleb Fink pitching the first game and sophomore Josh Jackson throwing the night game of

the double header against Grafton. Fink threw past seven batters, striking them out, in seven innings. Jackson also threw strike outs to six batters, as he won the night cap with a one hitter 11-0.

The numbers off to the side contain the final record of each double header, not the scores. The team started out the year with a sweep over Grafton, and ended with a loss to Grand Forks Central during the EDC championships.

Although this year may not have been the year the baseball team wanted, they pushed themselves to the max and had fun playing the game they love to play.

After a tough year, the team awaits next season to show the world they can be the best.

By Amanda Lipp



## SOFTBALL EMPHASIZES TEAMWORK

Fastpitch softball opened the eyes of town. For the third consecutive season, the Pack controlled the EDC standings. The Pack has always been known for their unity and they showed it this year more than ever.

Junior Brea Rheault said, "We are like one big, happy family that gets along and loves to play together. We are all friends on and off the field and we always do things the night before games to get us fired up."

The head coach of the Pack is Pat Johnson. He volunteers all of his time and uses all of his fastpitch skills and coaching ability to make these girls the players they are.

"Coach Johnson is a great coach. We can harass and tease him all we want, and we know he won't get mad, and that's what makes the practices so much fun," said Rheault.

Earlier in the season the Pack's shortstop, junior Jen Smerud, was hit in the head with a hard line drive by a teammate. Smerud was luckily not injured too badly and only missed one game. Besides the huge egg on her head and the two black eyes, Smerud came out all right.

The Packers have already taken home two state championships in

row and have high expectations for another state title this year. The Packers only have one more conference game before the state tournament that is being held right here in West Fargo at Elmwood Park.

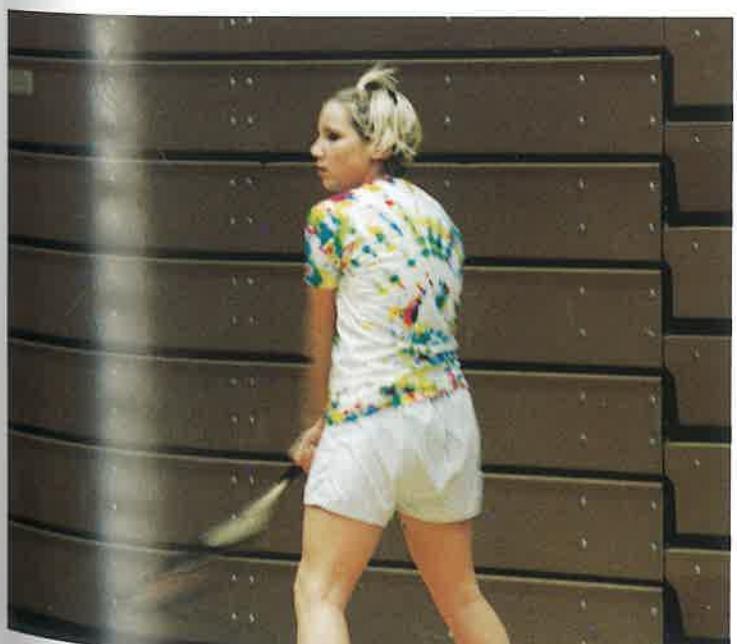
"The varsity team all feel really comfortable around each other and we all play together really well," said junior Lindsay Evenson. "With all of our starters that are returning this year I don't think we'll have any problems as long as we play good defense because then everything else should fall into place."

The two-time titleholders are getting the privilege of holding the state tournament for only the second time. The tournament is the weekend of May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. The Packers went into the tournament in the number one seed.

The team was seated number one with a 7-0 record in the EDC. The Packers overall record was 9-3, which includes the tournament they went to in Morris, Minnesota.

The team was excited to play South during the state championship games, which they won for the third year in a row.

By Nicole Grund



## SOFTBALL

		Tournaments		
	Us	Them	Us	Them
Wheaton	8	1	Morris Tourney	
Central	21	0	New York Mills	17
Red River	10	1	Milica	3
Shanley	14	1	Bertha Hewitt	3
South	10	0	EGF Tourney	
Red River	33	2	Central	14
Shanley	12	5	MCC	16
North	15	0	RLCC	5
Crookston	3	4	Norman	18
North	15	0	State	
South	17	4	Shanley	19
Central	15	0	South	10
			South	5

**STATE CHAMPS**  
**3 YEARS IN A ROW!!**



**Front Row:** Jamie Hendrickson, Jen Smerud, Amy Hill, Brea Rheault, Jamie Swenson, Jenny Nelson, and Jodi Hendrickson. **Row 2:** Nicole Grund, Jennifer Houser, MacKenzie Close, Johanna Skoog, Lindsey Evenson. **Back Row:** Coaches Tim Houser, Pat Johnson, and Paul Grund.



**All righty, I think I'm ready.** During practice, junior Brea Rheault attempts to practice her batting.

**Okay, listen up girls.** In a huddle, the softball team chats about their new strategy against their opponents.

**SOCCE**R

Front Row: April Hagel, Dawn Lizotte, Michelle Mattern. Back Row: Jodi Sailer, Kim Johnson, Maggie Zich.



## WHAT WOULD HIGH SCHOOL BE WITHOUT CHEERLEADERS?

What would a basketball game be without the familiar sounds of the wigallo? What would a football game be without watching the cheerleaders do push ups after each goal? It would be boring.

Throughout the ages, cheerleaders have been known for their pep and ability to jazz up a crowd with a great cheer.

Who could forget the "wigallo", "go fight win", or the ever famous "truckin" cheer? These memories and chants have been embedded throughout the years because of the cheerleaders.

"Nothing pumped me up or got me more excited at a football or basketball game more than cheering on the field, trying out, or watching from the stand. I'm in the crowd," Marissa

Krzmarick said. Cheerleading is hard work that requires much discipline. A great number of young women try out for spots on the cheerleading team every year. Although only a few make it to the much desired spot on a team, being able to try out was fun.

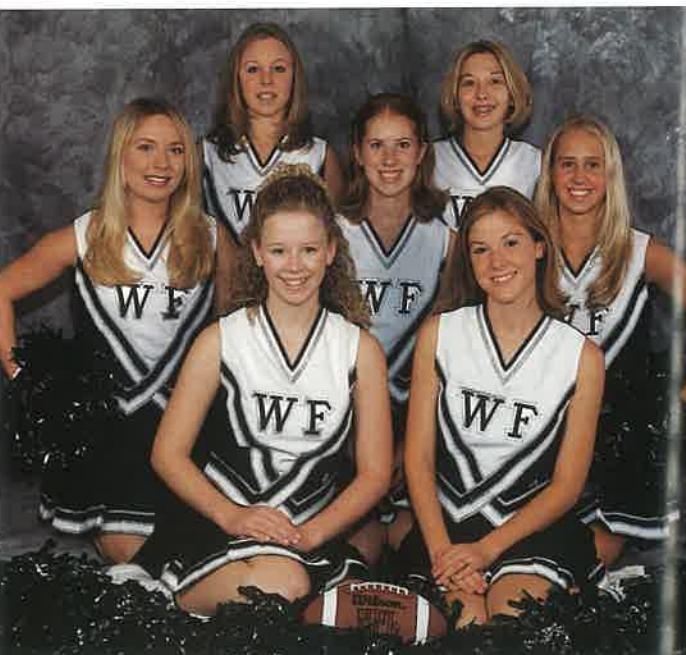
"I enjoyed trying out even though I didn't make it in. My friends and I had a good time. I'll probably try out again next year," Dacia Sampers an eighth grader said.

Cheerleading is great fun for everyone. Whether cheering on the field, trying out, or watching from the stand.

By: Melissa Kirklewski

## CRIC BASKETBALL

Front Row: Kelly Webber, Jenny Wambach, Nicole Myers. Middle Row: Lacey Onchuck, Jenny Prudlick. Back Row: Mindy Thorstad.



Front Row: Jill Lundgren, Kacee Reinisch. Row 2: Terrie Schultz, Maggie Kvaale, Leisha Ihry. Back Row: Heidi Johnson, Lindsey Schlecht.

## BOYS BASKETBALL

Front Row: Maggie Kvaale, Robin Moe. Row 2: Darla Grunewald, Jill Lundgren, Heidi Johnson, Crystal Larson. Back Row: Jessica Jensen.



Front Row: Brandy Spletstaszer, Brittany Kenyon, Jessica Simons. Back Row: Kayla Tande, Nicki Kuckenbacher

"CHEER-  
LEADING IS HARD WORK  
AND A LOT OF FUN. IT'S  
GREAT WHEN THE CROWD  
CHEERS WITH YOU."

-junior Robin  
Moe

"CHEER-  
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-junior Kristin  
Thompson

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## LV BOYS BASKETBALL



Come on team, let's go! Warming up the team, soccer cheerleaders gear up the crowd for a great game.

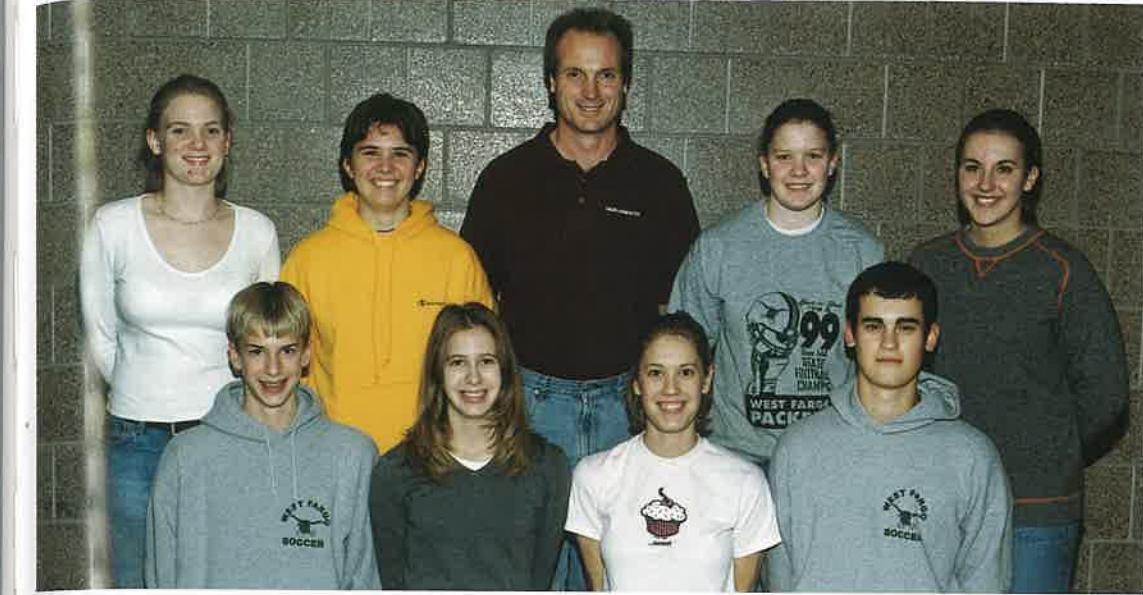


Hey, team, work it out!! Making sure the team can psyche out their opponents, the cheerleaders try out a new cheer.

**"The best part about being a trainer is the friendships and laughter. People is definitely my favorite part of being a trainer."**  
-senior  
Jodie  
Pedersen

## TRAINERS

Front Row: Tim Burner, Mariah Peterson, Stacey Costain, Erik Schmidt. Back Row: Jodi Schultz, Jodie Pedersen, Jon Darling-LATC, Jamie Swensen, Jessica Roers.



Let's Go! Gearing up for the afternoon practices, the trainers are busy at work.

## TRAINERS HELP KEEP ATHLETES IN GOOD HEALTH

Dedication and dependability are only a couple of characteristics our trainers exhibit. Athletic trainers are there before the players and are usually the last ones to leave. They devote their busy schedules to the teams' practices and games and are also expected to attend special clinics and workshops.

For many people, being an athletic trainer has many benefits. "The best part about being a trainer is the friendships and the laughter," said senior Jodie Pedersen. "People is my favorite part of being a trainer." Along with meeting people, the student trainers also get to experi-

ence first hand what most athletic trainers would do, they bring water to thirsty players, and help those who receive minor injuries.

The trainers completed a year with no major injuries aboard their teams. All in all, the trainers succeeded in their many duties.

By Kelsey Tande

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**Wow, that was way out of bounds!**  
Racing after the ball, sophomore Chrissy Vetter goes the extra mile to catch the ball before her opponent scores.



**I just need a little longer!** Taking a short break, junior Trisha York and sophomore Elizabeth Bakken anticipate their next match together.



**If I turn it just a little more....**  
Reaching to hit the ball, sophomore Elizabeth Bakken works on following through.



**Just try and get by me Mr. Ball!**  
Keeping a close watch on the ball, junior Maggie Kvaale prepares to swing her racket.



**Wow, that was way out of bounds!**  
Racing after the ball, sophomore Chrissy Vetter goes the extra mile to catch the ball before her opponent scores.

## PRACTICING FINALLY PAYS OFF FOR GIRLS TENNIS TEAM

Trying their hardest finally paid off for the girls tennis team. All of the practicing and effort they put in, made the little bit of difference they needed to make it big.

"I think the season was another season of experience. I think we could have done better, but we had fun and that's what counts," sophomore Elizabeth Bakken said.

Having fun and doing their best proved to be enough. The team qualified for team EDC, which was a first for them in approximately five years. For many of the players this was a major accomplishment for the team goals that they had set early in the season.

"In a way my goals were accomplished, but in a way they weren't.

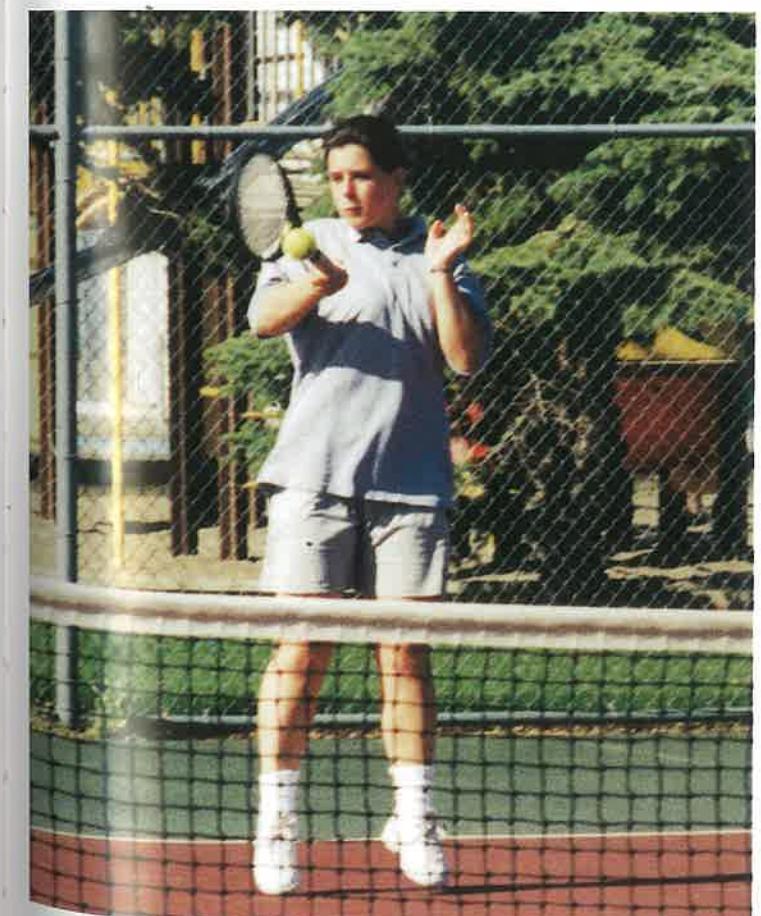
We made it to team EDC and we've never made it before, but none of us made it to state," junior Trisha York said.

Although none of the team members succeeded to make it to become a state qualifier, they were pretty happy with what they did achieve. Accomplishing what they did was a key stepping stone.

Most of the team was looking forward to the next year's season. With the encouragement they gained from EDC and all of the experience within the team, it looks to be promising.

"I think next year we'll be a better team with more experience," Bakken said.

By Jenny Grinde



**Oooo, that was just a little too close!** Up on her tip-toes, senior Simone Vogels tries her hardest to return the ball across the net to her opponent.



**Hey, look at my muscles!** Sizing up her arms is sophomore Amy Donlin while sophomore Chrissy Vetter watches a fellow teammate, waiting for her match to begin.

## GIRLSTENNIS

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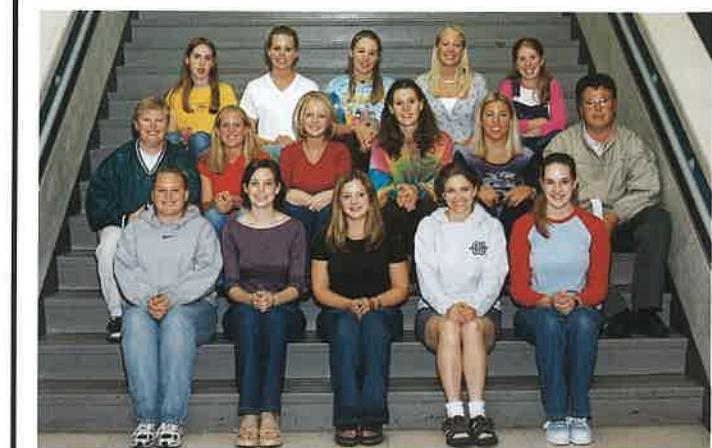
Morris	17	13
New York		
Mills	3	15
Milica	3	5
Bertha Hewitt	3	5

### East Grand Forks Sacred Hearts

GF Central	14	1
MCC	16	1
RLCC	5	9
Norman County		
East	18	5



**I can do this, I know I can!**  
Preparing to serve the ball, junior Trisha York concentrates on what her next move will be.



**Front Row:** Trisha York, Heidi Noonan, Jessica Simons, Adrianna Anderson and Marissa Krzmarzick. **Row 2:** Coach Cyndie Johnson, Kim Johnson, Jenny Wambach, Ashleigh Buck, Darcy Lemke and Coach Dave Drenth. **Back Row:** Elizabeth Bakken, Jenny Olson, Lindsey Babb, Jessica Jensen and Maggie Kvaale.

# PACKATAHNAS

How much further do we have to walk? Marching along seniors Llonna Burbidge and Nicole Gilberts keep on smiling.



**Front row:** Jessica McEwen, Brooke Pulkrabek, Sally Larson, Jessica Dyrda, Lindsay Babb, Jenny Hoesel, Annie Lund, Shelley Kudelka. **Row 2:** Jenny Olson, Jordan Jost, Kara Johnson, Heidi Noonan, Jolene Berg, Tessa Hilscher, Lindsey Gebeke. **Back Row:** Coach Verona Winkler, Lauren Opdahl, Sara Oemichen, Kristi Crummy, Llonna Burbidge, Autumn Neu, Sarah Walerius, Assistant Coach Buffy Leuer.



**All together now!** Practicing their performance, Packatahnas wait for the music to begin.

**Man it's hot!** Putting on a big smile, Junior Jennifer Hoesel tries to ignore the heat.

## PACKATAHNAS GO TO NATIONALS HAVE BLAST IN SUNNY FLORIDA

Almost every day with the exception of some weekends the Packatahnas either practiced or performed somewhere. Usual practices started out with stretching and around 300 to 400 kicks. Then they moved on to technique drills and much more.

The team was made up of 22 dancers and 2 coaches. The head choreographers were seniors Jordan Jost (Jazz) and Sally Larson (Kick). They also had 3: captains, seniors Kristi Crummy, Lauren Opdahl and Heidi Noonan.

Packatahnas loved the competition and of course it was always nice to take home a trophy or two.

Jost said, "I feel proud because a part of me won a trophy also."

Being the captain and keeping the team motivated was an essen-

tial element for Opdahl.

"I try to be positive, encouraging and give motivational quotes to inspire the team," she said.

The Packatahnas were also a very big crowd pleaser for the student body of West Fargo.

Junior Boe Sheeley said, "I know we are in for a good show because they are awesome to watch."

At the Florida Nationals at the end of January, the Packatahnas placed 19th in the entire country. It took months of hard work.

Sophomore Shelley Kudelka said, "It was fun to compete agains so many different teams across the nation. It gave us something to work hard for all year."

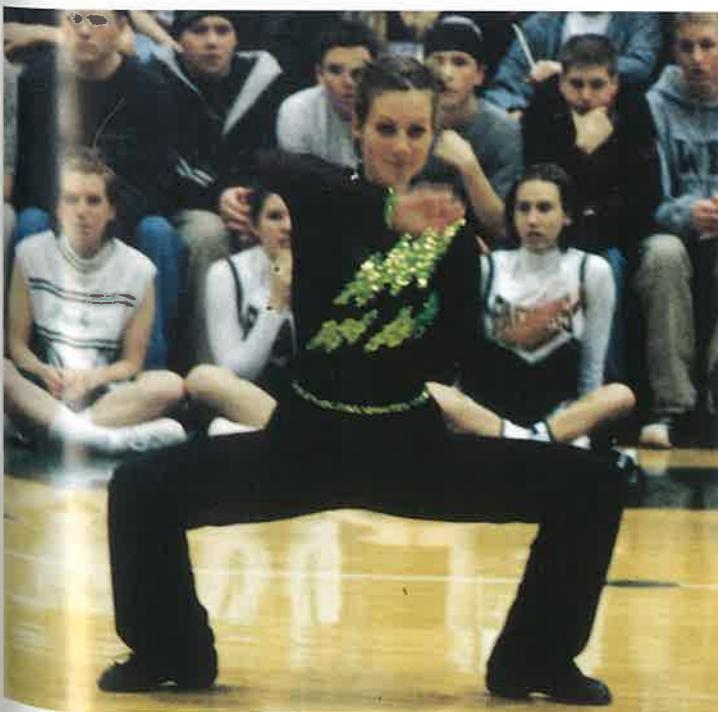
Nationals was something the Packatahnas will never forget.

by Kristi Jung



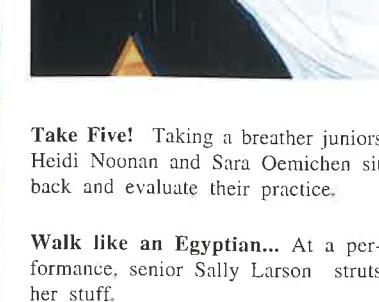
**Yeah We're Good!** Ending the performance with a bang, Packatahnas smile at their awesome performance.

**Strike a pose!** Smiling for a group shot, Packatahnas all huddle together for the cameras.

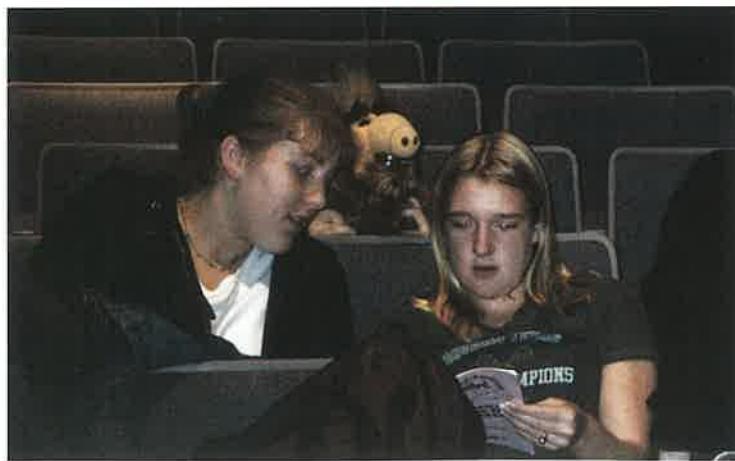


**Take Five!** Taking a breather juniors Heidi Noonan and Sara Oemichen sit back and evaluate their practice.

**Walk like an Egyptian...** At a performance, senior Sally Larson struts her stuff.



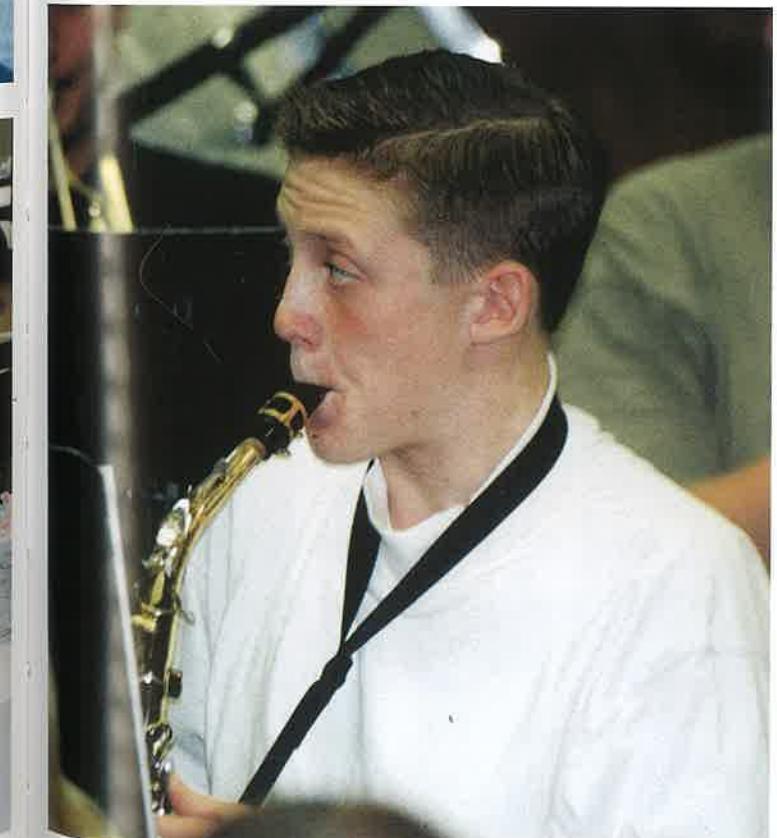
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**Yah' man.** Beating the drums juniors Bryce Johnson and Kacie Hughes pretend they are from Jamaica in band.



**Alf you don't come in until scene two!** Trying to memorize their lines juniors Amanda Gartner and Leah Joyce try to concentrate.



**A little dab here, a little dab there.** Concentrating hard junior Tracy Tanner works on her masterpiece.



**And the fish was this big.** Pretending to be interested in an American tall-tale, seniors Alexander Tysseng and Ingjerd Soras listen politely to another story.

No, I don't think we should put the president on the cover of the yearbook. Making some important editorial decisions senior Amanda Lipp and juniors Ashley Swenson and Marissa Krzmarzick discuss styles for the yearbook cover.



**Light me up!** Waiting to be plugged in, the applause and standby sign anxiously awaits for its moment of glory on center stage.

**What note is that?** Wondering why he is the only one on pitch, freshman Adam Montgomery jams during band.

**What makes up organizations?**  
Long practice, late nights, early mornings, volunteering, fundraisers, arguments, trips to cities, expressing yourself, becoming leaders, organizing dances, making memories, electing officers, competing, connecting schools to the community, having fun, experimenting, and increasing school pride.

# National Honor Society--Academic Achievers!!

You're finally there, graduation. As the principle calls your name he adds "National Honor Society member" to it. Graduation recognition is the main goal of this group of academic achievers.

"It makes me feel good to know that I'm being recognized just for being myself, but I wouldn't be in NHS if I hadn't accomplished things in my life," senior Emily Tintes said.

In order to become an NHS member, one must be a junior or senior and have a cumulative GPA of

3.25. In order to stay in NHS one must keep their GPA, attend six meetings and have four project credits each year. Projects include things like being D.A.R.E role models and concessions for dances and games.

NHS kicked off the year in April by electing a state president. This was full of campaigning and activities like a dance and banquet.

"I enjoy having a positive influence on the community," senior Ryan Hanson said.

Mr. Drue Haarsager and Mrs.

Suzanne Thibert had taken over the task of advising the group.

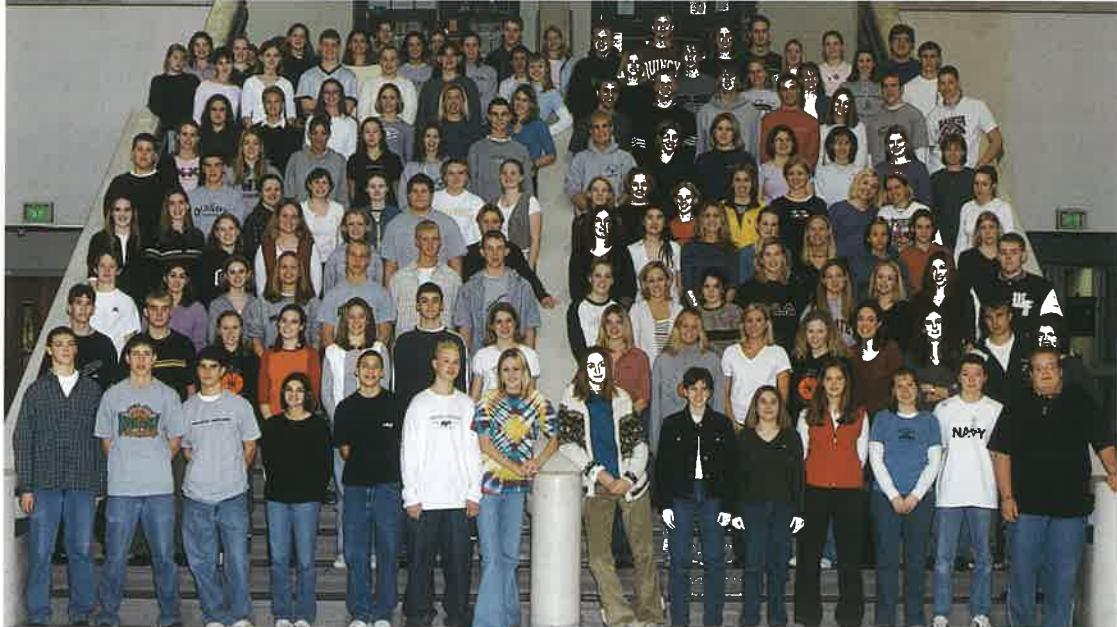
"Through the students' service commitments, most NHS members change during the year. They develop a deeper understanding of things outside their usual realm," Haarsager said.

Through community service and academic achievement, NHS members worked hard for their ultimate goal of being recognized for the outstanding work they had accomplished.

By Karen Olson

## National Honor Society

**Front Row:** Jason Buchholz, Chad Wolf, Tyler Farkas, Maggie Anderson, Jay Enebo, Kasey Hendrickson, Kelsey Dahl, Lindsey Larson, Tina Carpenter, Tonia Lidenberg, Krista Johnson, Anne Korsmo, Nickolas Westberg, and Eric Smith. **Row 2:** Matthew Woodbury, Dack Flagel, Heidi Johnson, Heidi Noonan, Katie Rankin, Mathias Christianson, Kara Johnson, Kristen Crummy, Heidi Hansen, Lisa Haar, Jill Lundgren, Leah Anderson, Ranita Pope, Brent Bartsch, and Katie Krajeck. **Row 3:** Brady Millar, Jacinta Kuehn, Kacie Hughes, Lindsay Pavek, Chad Hager, Christopher McDougall, Ahron Walter, Jodi Sailer, Darla Grunewald, Jordan Jost, Maggie Asmund, Katie Anderson, Lauren Opdahl, Alicia Weishaar, and Kory Cwikla. **Row 4:** Marissa Krzmarzick, Jennifer Weil, Stefanie Beckius, Kristen Davidson, Jennifer Wambach, Joseph Dauer, Brea Rheault, Mindy Scheidegger, Rachel Samuelson, Julie Sprenger, Kristin Engelking, Karen Olson, Meghan Kirchen, Kristine Brager. **Row 5:** Chris Alerty, James Tandeski, Kate Horton, Tracy Tanner, Theresa Bohls, Lindsay Evenson, Jodi Schultz, Jodi Hendrickson, Amy Hill, Jamie Hendrickson, Courtney LeClair, Sabrina Mellem, Emily Tintes, Jami Lee, Diane Kasowski. **Row 6:** Jenny Olson, Robin Moe, Christal Larson, Sabrina Jansen, Mariah Peterson, David Batcheller, Nicholas Akers, Amy Sahr, Becky Koppelman, Kelsey Tande, Stacy Mittag. **Row 7:** Kristi Jung, Sarah Becker, Jenny Thompson, Emily Kelsch, Darcy Lemke, Sara Oemichen, Colin Eide, Patrick Dardis, Jason Dyrdahl, Ryan Hanson, Sally Larson, Daniel Harbeke, Todd Schaffer. **Row 8:** Katie Swisher, Chandra Heim, Amanda Dahl, Brandon Botner, Sydney Brown, Kayla Beauchamp, Kelly Hanson, Brooke Gabel, Katherine Reichert, Lisa Elless, Adrianna Anderson, Melissa Weil, Jeremy Buehre. **Row 9:** Lindsay Goodin, Annamarie Lien, Angela Bishoff, Erin Moch, Ryan Schumacher, Kristen Shelstad, Brandon L. Anderson, Kristin Murch, Brenton Ekren, Audrey Swangler, Brandon C. Anderson, Craig Nilles, Teresa ellenson, Corey Hartley, Leah Joyce, Grace Moorhead, Geoffrey Vandrovec.



**"NHS is a great organization to be in. It really teaches you group participation and ways you can make a difference in your community and help out."**

--junior Leah Brekke



**"The best part of NHS is the state conventions we got to go to in Bismarck because it gave me a chance to see a lot of good friends from across the state. It gives you different aspects of what NHS is about."**

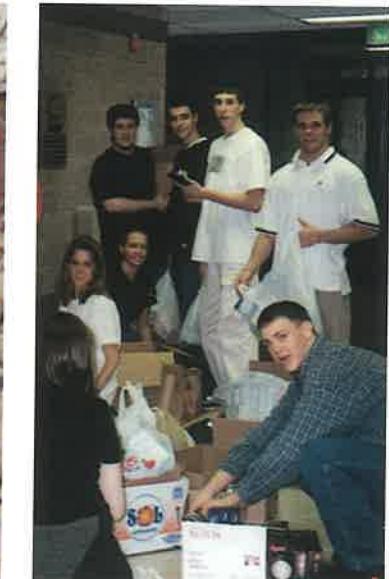
--senior Dan Harbekke



**Come and get it!** Passing out food in the commons, a group of National Honor Society members sponsor a school staff appreciation snack.



**We are on top of things...** Sorting mittens and hats for the homeless, seniors Stacy Mittag and Ryan Hanson, and junior David Batcheller hang out.



**We need more boxes!** Gathering food for the Dorothy Day House NHS members sort through the huge mess of food collected by the WFHS students.

**Trick or Treat, Got Any Good Food?** NHS members trick or treat to collect canned good items on Halloween.

# C H O R I

## Practice makes choirs perfect

Go! Fight! Win! Ok, so maybe these were never said at any choir concerts, but the choir was basically a team. Though not a team like as in basketball, they still all worked together.

Their concerts took practice and concentration. As in any sport, they had drills and sequences that they had to perform in order to perfect their parts. Although some of the drills may sound odd, such as "Mama made me mash my M&Ms" they truly helped their vocal chords stretch to attain the best singing quality. Every voice was needed. Every part was set specifically for a certain group of students.

"Practicing for three months



Where were we? Performing at the talent show, faculty sing one of their favorite songs.

Fa la la la la... Singing their hearts out, Madrigals perform in full old-time gear.

for one night of fame, seems to be worth all the hard work," said sophomore Kayla Woodley.

"When we sing, it is as if we are singing as one voice. We all blend together so nicely," said Madrigals singer junior Carla McLean.

There were three different choirs to compliment the number of students interested in stretching their vocal chords. These choirs included Varsity choir, which was only made up of freshman, Chamber choir, which consisted of sophomores, juniors, and seniors, and Concert choir, which also had sophomore, juniors, and seniors singing along.

Overall the choirs this year performed wonderfully and with the great instructors that they had, whom could have expected anything but perfection.

Along with these two choirs

there was also a group called the Madrigals. This was a select group of students who were chosen to be in a smaller, more detailed choir. They would not only sing at the concerts, but also at businesses and other events.

Around Christmas this fine group would dress-up in old-time costume and sing for all the attendants of the winter concert. This is a wonderful experience for all the people attending the concert.

By Marissa Krzmarzick

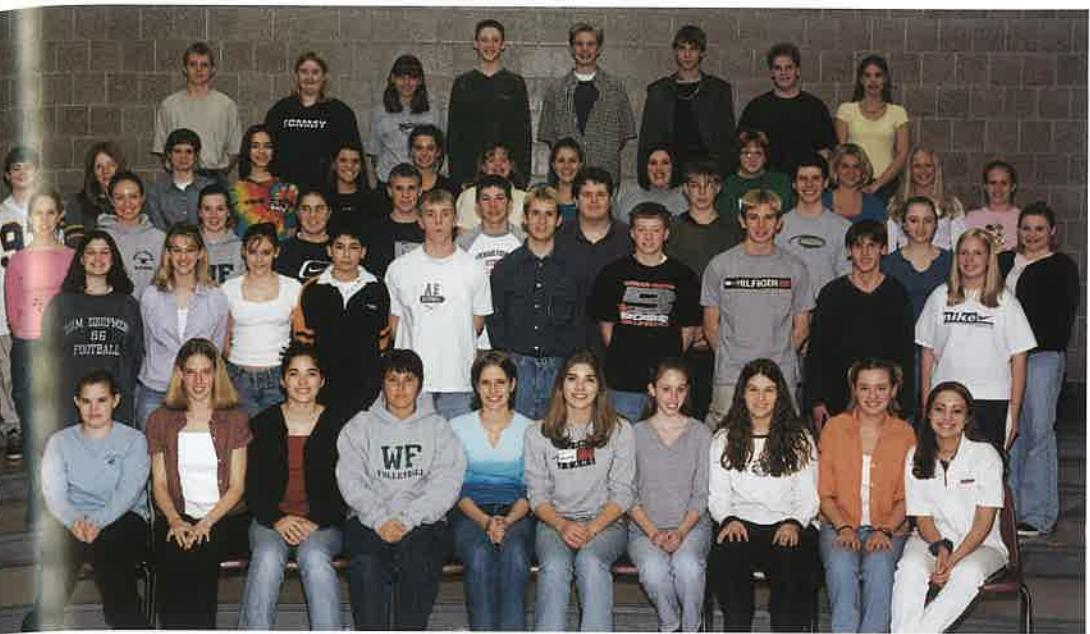


"There was a lot to be done in choir. I'm glad I got the chance to have such a wonderful experience. It made it even better since I had the opportunity to share it with my friends."

-senior Becky Koppelman

"I learned a lot this year. It was a great honor to be a part of Madrigals. There are so many memories that I'll never forget."

-sophomore Connie Linnertz



**Varsity:** Front Row: Julia Miller, Marin Rosenvold, Kim Bruns, Bryana Snyder, Katie, Kris Bruns, Jamey Hughes, Tiffany Fiedler, Crystal Lund, and Rosa SteinKuehler. Row 2: Angela Busche, Jennifer Helm, Tina Stoppleworth, Chris Elliot, Mitch Wilkinson, Darren Rolle, Mike Koenig, Joshua Akers, Josh Pederson, and Brianna Thompson. Row 3: Sheena Larson, Chelsey Jameson, Jenny Joyce, Nicole Dobmeier, Brian Kingsley, Andrew Salquist, Daryl Gartner, Erik Baumann, Paul Koppelman, Jennifer Johnson, and Lacey Meidinger. Row 4: Jason Boerger, Jenny Tuinstra, Blair Moorhead, Kristina Flores, Kayla Brawders, Kelsey Pergande, Kelley Effinger, Steph Roers, Anna Rumsey, Alyssa Vrem, Tara Sheeley, Kristen Olson, and Annie Lund. **Back Row:** Kyle McLean, Victoria Schatz, Kari Strandquist, Adam Montgomery, Blake Nitkorski, Ryan Scoville, Ryan Entzminger, and Andrea Weishaar.

**Chamber Choir:** Front Row: Julie Gunderson, Kristy Johnson, Nicole Swanson, Jennifer Lautt, Ashley Henry, Kayla Woodley. Second Row: Jasmine LeeColier, Amber Dorn, Adrianna Anderson, Pam Cossette, Paula, Kris Meberg, Angela Draeger, Pam Coon. Third Row: Kelly Webber, Ashley Williams, Jenny Mittag, Kayla Strong, Mindy Vetsch, Nicki Kostecky, Savanna Kraft, Kristi Peterson, Heidi Aaberg, Cathy Bernhagen. Fourth Row: Connie Linnertz, Lisa Miasilek, Olivia Dahl, Nicki Anderson, Stacey Christl, Deziree Gonzalez, Taryn Christianson, Jenny Stark, April Hovland. **Back Row:** Lucilia Furtado, Deann Roers, Alli Sherman, Chelce Buzick, Jessica McEwen, Lexi Hogle.

**Concert Choir:** Front Row: Julie Rekken, Teresa Dikoff, Anne Korsmo, Krista Thorson, and Ashley Parrow. Second Row: Karen Olson, Tina Carpenter, Amanda Perna, Natasha Baker, Jodie Pederson, Aanaleah Shaw, Rachel Samuelson, and Brooke Bruns. Third Row: Chandra Heim, Darcy Walth, Andrea Onchuck, Brady Otterness, Adam Driscoll, Aaron Flynn, Sarah Messner, Stacy Mittag, and Maggie Anderson. Fourth Row: Kelsey Tande, Jen Hoesel, Carla McLean, Eric Monson, Caleb Westlund, Tyler Farkas, Boe Scheely, Matt Grossman, Amanda Dahl, and Kara Johnson. Fifth Row: Jodi Schultz, Dave Vacha, Chris Alberty, Greg Anderson, Brad Amundson, Jason Bucholz, Adelle Fink, Ben Watne, and Christopher Pankow. Sixth Row: Brian Vogel, Brent Mitchell, Joe Gorman, Scott Wistad, Matt Zimney, Elliot Schwab, Tony Selquist, and Rob McSparron. **Back Row:** Craig Nilles, Jody Lamb, Ryan Haring, Dan Rolle, Jason Loers, Michael Tengwall, Kasey Hendrickson.

# B A N D

## Band spells fun with harmonious students, "find the beat!"

If you look in the dictionary under the word fun, you will find the West Fargo High School Bands. Another year of band is over, and it again succeeded in being a year of laughs and good times.

Some of the events that added to the year of fun were: the band trip, music festival, all state competition, concerts, pep band, and band festival.

Whether it was Mrs. Jordahl's interesting abbreviations on the board, Mr. Berntson's ties, or even Mr. Richter's college I.D.; band was anything but boring.

"There is never a dull moment in band. We make sure of that," junior Bryce Johnson said.

"It was hilarious every time Rob Margheim cracked jokes that were really fun. Although Mr. Berntson didn't think they were that funny.



**I hope I don't trip!** Trying not to fall while playing, junior Jenny Thompson performs in the marching band.

**How long are we gonna have to hold this note?!** Watching for their cutoff, members of the varsity band, extend a chord with each other.

Rob got yelled at every time," sophomores Jenny Volker and Kristy Hoffman said.

On a prideful note, this past year more members from West Fargo were chosen for the North Dakota All-State band than any other year. Those selected got to work with one of the most famous conductors in the world, Fredric Fernel.

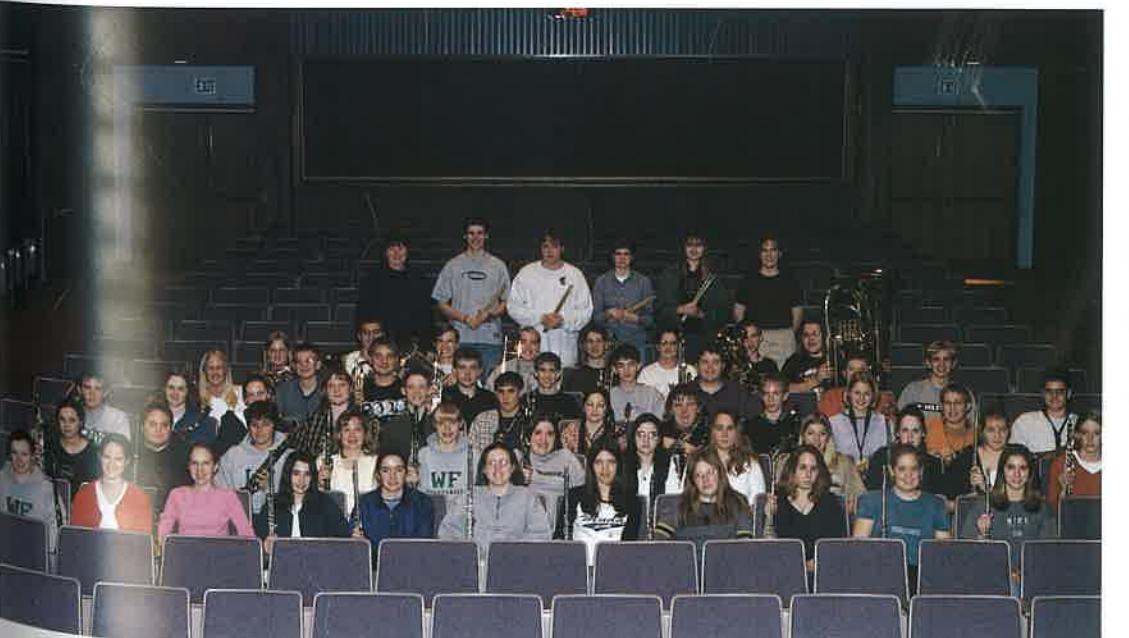
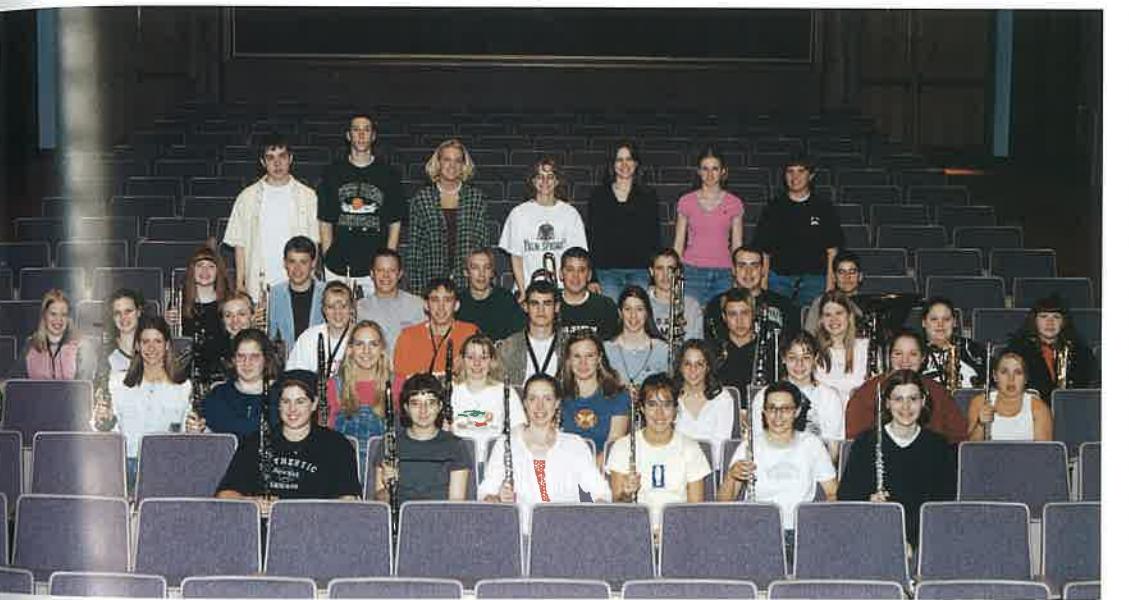
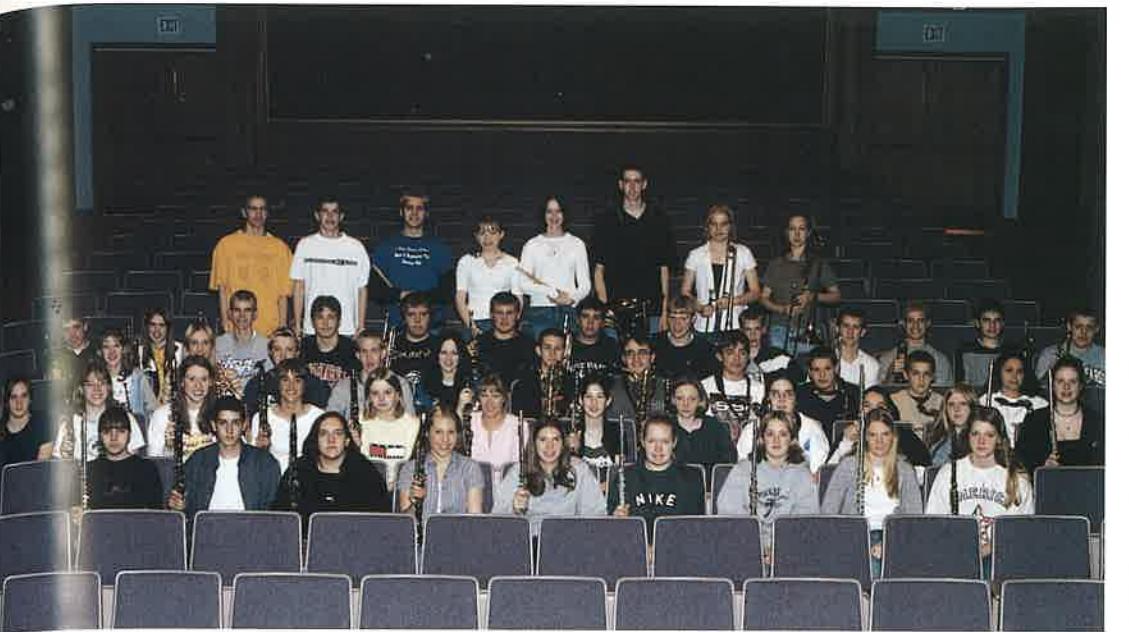
"The director really knew what he was doing, and he taught us so many new things. We got to play music that was really hard. It was great to work on it with other devoted bands students," senior Stacy Mittag said.

State and regional band festival were very successful this past year. Freshmen got to have their first taste of competition, while the older members of band succeeded in living up to the standards they had set years before.

By Melissa Kirklewski



**"I really thought contest was extremely fun, because we got to hang out with friends. I was really excited to find out that I starred in my brass quartet, sophomore Connie Linnertz said."**



**Varsity Band.** Front Row: Jennifer Joyce, Kelsey Linnertz, Shannon Hayes, Tara Lidenberg, Nicole Carmichael, Nicole Dobmeier, Nicole Heinz, Jennifer Tuinstra, Krista Whitcomb, Erin Trapp, Stephanie Wilson. **Second Row:** Leanne Bruun, Jacey Rodgers, Bryana Snyder, Brianne Montgomery, Brenda Haug, Anna Rumsey, Carrera Horton, Leah Whitcomb, Dana Lemke, Kaila Nelson, Hope Freadrich, Elizabeth Vranish. **Third Row:** Erik Porter, Leah Griffeth, Skadi Davison, Jessica Ridgway, Adam Montgomery, Mark Gunderson, Katrina Martin, Kevin Ambers, Dane Schroeder, Tracy Canton, Zachary Ista, Erik Baumann. **Fourth Row:** Kristian Olson, Tyler Kummeth, Bradley Watne, David Valovage, Eric Lee, Jacob Bomstad, Daryl Gartner, Thomas Knutson, Zach Ziegler. **Fifth Row:** Allison Laybourn, Nicholas Funk, Adam Meert, Tj Vaugh, Brian Flesberg, Zachary Steele, David Verdoorn, Scott Raguse. **Back Row:** Mrs. Sue Jordahl, Paul Koppleman, Matthew Stark, Blair Moorhead, Tina Stoppleworth, and Mrs. Bestge.

**Sophomore Band.** Front Row: Cori Cossete, Steve Newburgh, Emily Geyer, Kayla Tande, Ashley Huether, Latisha Hekter, Kimberly Zick, Jackie Hagen, and Beth Walen. **Second Row:** Juli Gunderson, Melissa Kassmen, Megan Warner, Kristin Weartherly, Pamela Coon, Kristi Hoffman, Kayla Woodley, Heidi Wilke, Erin Bennet, Nicola LaDouceur, Beth Ogerson, and Amber Hovland. **Third Row:** Connie Linnertz, Jenny Volker, Billy Hanson, Rob Margheim, Kelsey Hertel, Charles Kaspari, Matt Olson, Michael Greseth, Bill Hart, Adam Fugleberg, Beverly Badillo. **Fourth Row:** Andy Scott, Elizabeth Bakken, Ryan Tranby, Brian Johnson, Erik Haug, Brett Wigglesworth, Tony Salquist, Daniel Hillerson, Tim Burner, Brian Lee, Charles Flowers, Craig Johnson, Mike Klemisch. **Back Row:** Travis Gunderson, Jordan Lugert, Justin Morken, Crystal Mischke, Tracy Burroughs, James Vranish, Elsie Peterson, Stefanie Barenson.

**Concert Band.** Front Row: Brandie Baasch, Patti Krogh, Jenny Thompson, Kelsey Tande, Katie Klaers, and Erin Tranby. **Second Row:** Melissa Weil, Beth Haider, Jessica Heinz, Kristin Thompson, Grace Moorhead, Shelly Witt, Elizabeth Deyle, Cynthia Forde, and Kristi Mead. **Third Row:** AnnaMarie Lien, Heather Lund, Emily Tintes, Kristen Westman, Bo Derheim, Erik Schmidt, Jenny Stark, Steve Gilbertson, Stacy Mittag, Amy Trapp, and Jennifer Rothouse. **Fourth Row:** Meaghan Pratt, Brenton Ekren, Charlie Lehmann, Mike Tanze, Chris Albery, John Schmidt, Matt Knudson, and Ryan Shumacher. **Back Row:** Bryce Johnson, Brad Amundson, Jodi Sailer, Tiffani Nirschl, Carla McLean, Kacie Hughes, and Jodie Pedersen.

## Well, truthfully speaking...

Hard work! What is that? If a person would have talked to anyone on the Speech team they would know how hard they worked throughout this season. "The season was filled with ups and downs, but my team has a way of pulling themselves through all the clinches," said coach Mrs. Mary Sherman.

Students competed just about every Saturday traveling all over North Dakota in a cold school bus and making new friends. This gave them a chance to get to know other students from their school and people from around the state.

"Over the years, I've learned quite a bit from Speech. 2000 was a great year. I had lots of fun, made lots of friends, and the men

in suits were incredible," president senior Katie Krajeck said. The team had a great year. They placed 3rd at EDC and had over twenty members advance to state where they took 3rd place.

In the middle of April the members of the National Forensic League traveled to Mandan, North Dakota to compete for a national competition. The team had three members advance to Nationals that will be held in Portland, Oregon.

"It's a great accomplishment. I'm really looking forward to competing in Portland," junior Craig Nilles said. The team took 2nd overall at this tournament.

The year ended with a positive attitude and great memories to live on forever.

By Catie Loney

It was a lot of fun.  
The people were  
so  
nice and the guys  
were really cute.  
I had a lot  
of fun and I will  
miss them all  
when I go home.  
-senior Lucilia  
Furtado



Times a tickin. Swinging the everlasting stopwatch, senior Katie Krajeck prepares for her extemp. speech before her last round of the day.

I'm about to be hugged by my mom. Waiting for his name to be announced as a National Qualifier for NFL's, junior Rob McSparron smiles at the idea of sharing the moment with his mom.



### Speech Club

**Front Row:** Lexi Hogle, Rob McSparron, Alli Sherman, Dacia Sampers, Amy Trapp, Jordan Volk. **Row 2:** Rachel Samuelson, Courtney LeClair, Stacy Mittag, Katie Krajeck, Becky Koppelman, Coach Mrs. Mary Sherman. **Row 3:** Assistant Coach Mr. Blair Thompson, Dave Johnson, Katie Larson, Jacob Lavelle, Catie Loney, Carmen Hoffard, Anna Rumsey, Lucilia Furtado. **Back Row:** Tony Krajeck, Jody Lamb, Dan Rolle, Brent Mitchell, Chris Pankow, Matt Olson, Erin Bennett.



### Debate

**Front Row:** Jacob Lavelle **Row 2:** Melissa Richards, Trista Leach **Row 3:** Heather Dean, Paula Carlisle **Back Row:** Trachelle Leach, Coach Mr. Blair Thompson, and Nikki LaDouceur.



## Debate strikes once again

The Debate team had a great year. They had a nice number of additions. They started out with some new members who were working hard to learn the basics.

They attended three other tournaments and worked to their fullest potential. Their coach, Mr. Blair Thompson, said, "I was proud of everyone and how much they worked."

"I had an awesome time. It was my first tournament and I won my first round. I learned so much this year. I think it was a great learning

experience for me," freshman LaRe Parisien said.

The competition was rough when they competed against other teams in the Fargo-Moorhead area, but that also gave them a chance to meet new people. "It was a great experience. It challenges you and makes you think," sophomore Jacob Lavelle said.

Debate brought a whole new perspective to life for many individuals this year. It was a very successful year for them.

By Catie Loney



It doesn't  
matter who  
wins or loses  
as long as you  
have fun and  
make new  
friends.  
--freshman  
Candice  
Kelsey



It has to be in here somewhere! Searching through files, sophomore Jacob Lavelle and a friend prepare for an upcoming debate tournament.

This is a tough question. Thinking hard about his debate, sophomore Jacob Lavelle wonders if he has enough sources for what he wants to say.

# 'Quality at Work' ethic promoted by VICA

What do engines, construction, and volleyball all have in common? VICA of course! Short for Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, VICA is one of the many co-curricular activities offered at West Fargo High School.

VICA is a national organization that started several years back, and is made up of students from the recreational engines and building trades classes.

Not only did members get to

spend time working together during class, they met during the evenings several times throughout the year to participate in activities such as volleyball and bowling.

The overall nationwide effect of VICA is a more competitive work force. It's purpose is to positively affect the lives of students so that they can better prepare themselves for further education and future employment.

"This will help me when I go to

NDSU for mechanical engineering," senior Corey Saylor said.

Basically, students were able to develop many valuable skills and good work ethics through a combination of hands-on experience and group projects.

"VICA is a great organization and very important to your future if you decide to do something in that field of work." senior Kevin Muhl said.

By Leah Brekke

## VICA

**Front row:** Mr. Jerry Nordstrom, Brian Efterfield, Alissa Carlson, Tanner Noonan, Brandon Almer, Craig Fowler, Bryant Beaton, John Miller, Dusty Askagard, David Kees, Mike Folkedahl, Zachariah Dandurand, Christopher Boer, and Mr. Bob Bjornson. **Row 2:** William Shultz, Chris Wonzack, Michael Huff, Bryan Riedinger, Matt Anderson, John Randall, Jarrod Schwab, Matthew Greseth, Chad Ohnstad, Mike Johnson, and Dale Anderson. **Row 3:** David Johnson, Nick Davis, Jason Lunday, Zach Gunderson, Dan Jordet, Joey Coleman, Jeremiah Sapp, Cory Amsbaugh, Jake Kemmer, Elizabeth Deyle, and Chris Moore. **Row 4:** Jessica Grunewald, Diana Beets, Jason Nitschke, Brent Sayler, Trevor Wilson, Daniel Mattson, Jason Streed, Nicholas Ostrom, Eric Keck, Josh Thomas, Tom Wilm, and Joel Ellingson. **Row 5:** John Metzger, Kevin Muhl, Darren Johnson, Nick Hlavaty, James Tandeski, Charles Berg, Chris Korsgarten, Justin Sauvageau, A. Corey Johnson, Bryce Peichel, and Cory Sayler. **Back row:** Neal Stein, Ryan Swensen, Evan Holmen, Ryan DuBord, Randy Ackerman, Mike Anderson, Josh Clark, Stan Goldstone, Ken Grosz, Josh Grieger, Cameron Hopkins, Brandy Johnson, Alan Sola, John Jore, Josh Odden, Derek Gaulrapp, Gregg Hoffman, September Pederson.



*"VICA is a great club to participate in with your friends. You also get a good education in the field of automotive and recreational engines."*

-senior Stan Goldstone



*"It's a time during the day when you can chill with the boys. You also get new injuries, like getting hit in the face with an air hose."*

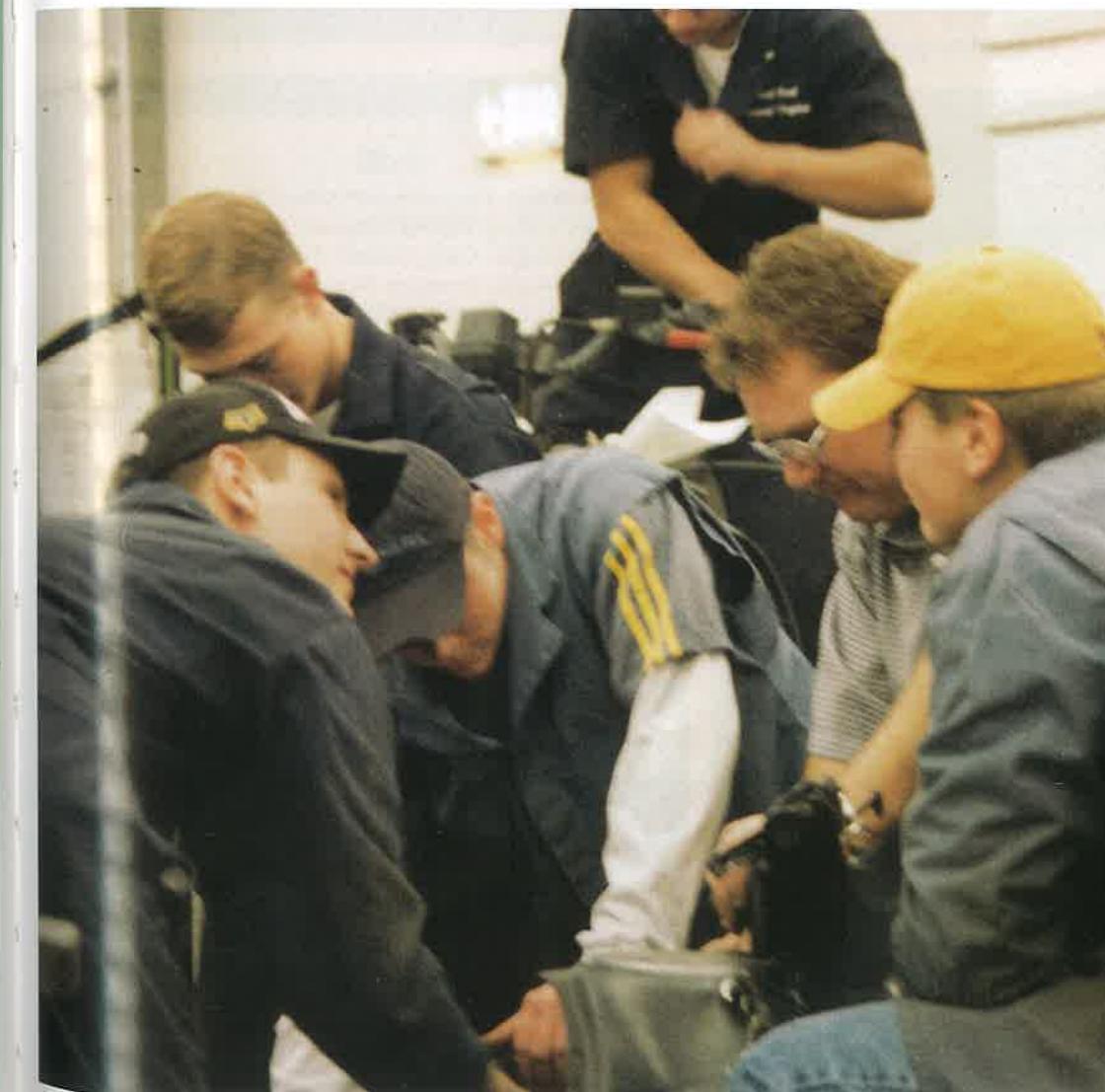
-senior Jeremiah Sapp



**How many guys does it take to fix an engine?** Trying to keep all of the little parts and wires straight, juniors Greg Anderson, Nick Davis, and Drew Estrom help each other out during their Rec Engines class.



**Go Greased Lightning...!** In a picture-perfect pose, senior Leigh Kitzen points across the room while keeping busy with his four-wheeler.



**Look at those Building Trades "studs"!** Working inside of one of the houses, juniors Jeremy Zimmerman and Kyle Zinck put up insulation into the framework.

**We sure could use a helping hand!** Gathering together in Rec. Engines, Mr. Nordstrom and several of his students attempt to fix a snowmobile.

# P E C L U B C L O S E U P

## Pep club keeps teams, crowds pepped with spirit to keep games, rallies fun!

Though the students of West Fargo High School had great school spirit, the Pep Club helped to boost it even more.

Pep club was an organization that cheerleaders and anyone else interested could join.

"I believe pep club is a great opportunity, and you get to meet a lot of new people, and plan for dances and participate in pep rallies," said sophomore Jennifer Prudlick.

While walking down the hall students saw signs for different

sports and activities, such as football and baseball. The pep club made these signs to help encourage and pump up the teams and crowds.

The main activity that the pep club organized was the Homecoming dance. They were also in charge of the pep rallies.

"It's great to watch other people enjoy our finished products, such as homecoming, as well as enjoy them ourselves," junior Jenny Wambach said.

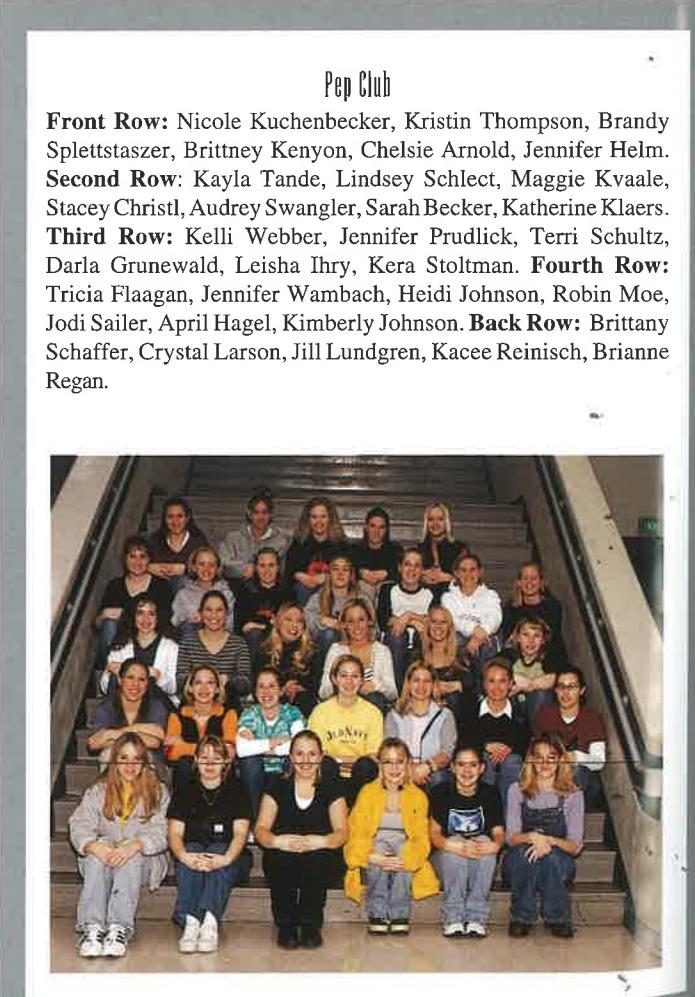
By Marissa Krzmarzick



"It's great to organize things like homecoming and the pep rallies. It really pays off to see everyone enjoying our hard work,"  
- junior Jessica Simons.



Let me see those smiles! Pepping up the crowd at a Pep rally, sophomore Jennifer Prudlick, enjoys the rally organized by the pep club.



### Pop Club

**Front Row:** Nicole Kuchenbecker, Kristin Thompson, Brandy Splettstaszer, Brittney Kenyon, Chelsie Arnold, Jennifer Helm. **Second Row:** Kayla Tande, Lindsey Schlect, Maggie Kvaale, Stacey Christl, Audrey Swangler, Sarah Becker, Katherine Klaers. **Third Row:** Kelli Webber, Jennifer Prudlick, Terri Schultz, Darla Grunewald, Leisha Ihry, Kera Stoltman. **Fourth Row:** Tricia Flaagan, Jennifer Wambach, Heidi Johnson, Robin Moe, Jodi Sailer, April Hagel, Kimberly Johnson. **Back Row:** Brittany Schaffer, Crystal Larson, Jill Lundgren, Kacee Reinisch, Brianne Regan.

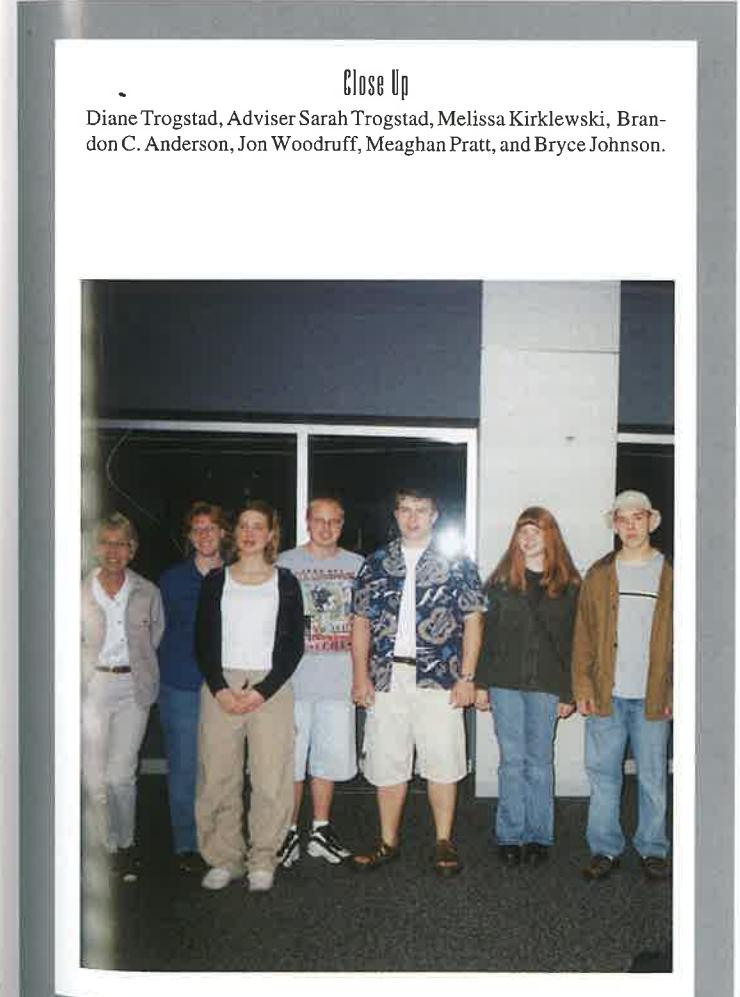


We're Number One! Using a sign made by the pep club, the football cheerleaders celebrate another championship win.

Cheese!!! Posing for a waiter, juniors Meaghan Pratt and Melissa Kirklewski along with a new friend from Alaska capture a memory over lunch.

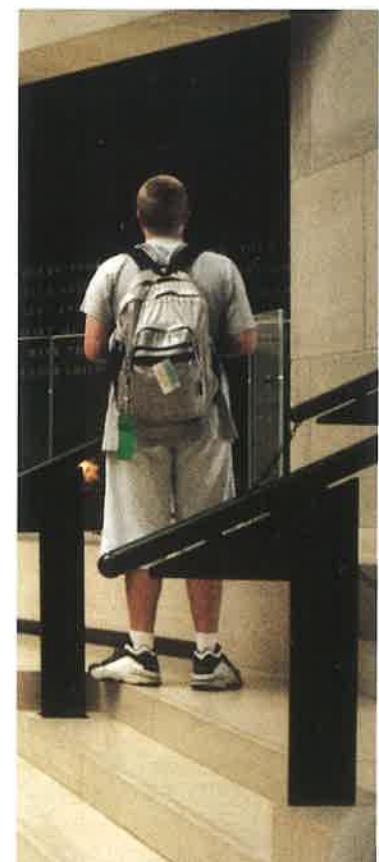


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### Close Up

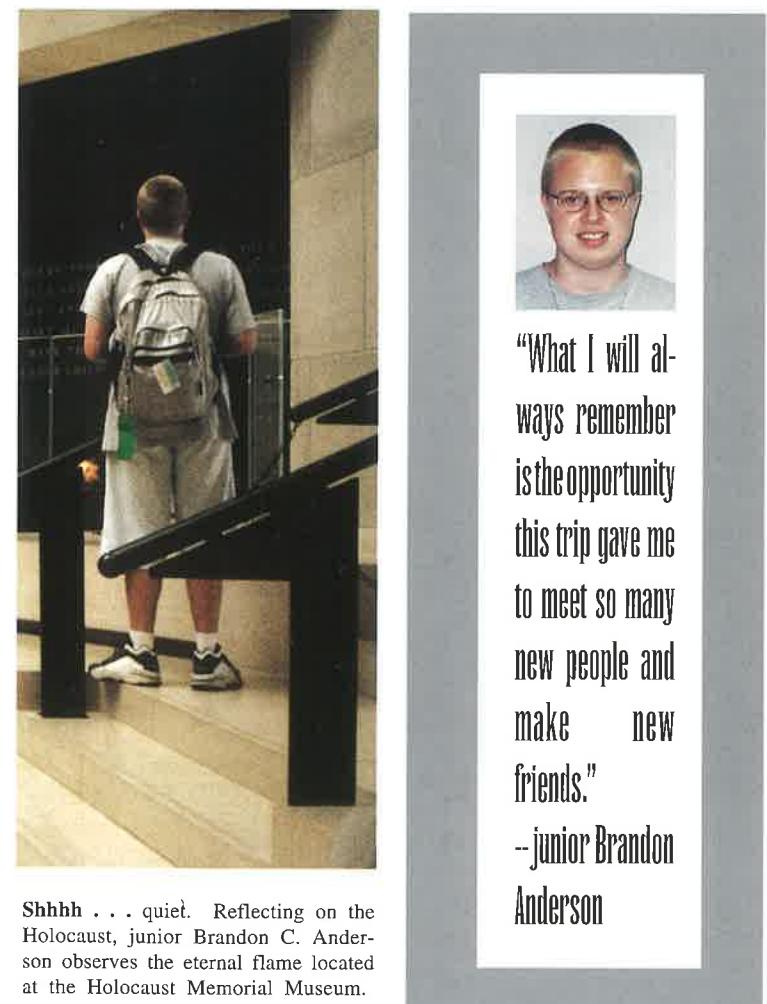
Diane Trogstad, Adviser Sarah Trogstad, Melissa Kirklewski, Brandon C. Anderson, Jon Woodruff, Meaghan Pratt, and Bryce Johnson.



Shhhh . . . quiet. Reflecting on the Holocaust, junior Brandon C. Anderson observes the eternal flame located at the Holocaust Memorial Museum.



"What I will always remember is the opportunity this trip gave me to meet so many new people and make new friends."  
-- junior Brandon Anderson



"It was a great experience and it was worth all of the fundraising we had to do," said junior Melissa Kirklewski.

The students were given opportunities to attend seminars and personal tours. They were also given a lot of free time to see the many "docks" in the city.

"I will remember the friends I made here for a long time because of all the memories we share," said junior Meaghan Pratt.

By Melissa Kirklewski

## Student council improves school

Every year, the student body elects several people from each grade to serve in student council. Headed by Mrs. Olson and Mr. Grooters, these individuals had the common goal of making WFHS a better place.

"This group is the highlight of my day. They work so hard," said administrator Mrs. Olson.

Over the course of the school year, Student Council organized and conducted several events. There were two blood drives, a school dance, a new student pizza party, a student exchange program



**"We try to incorporate all the students in our school activities by giving them a variety of choices."**  
-junior Erin Moch

**"Student Council is an awesome experience for everyone that's involved."**  
-junior Brandon Anderson

**"Shhh...Don't make me laugh!"**  
While attending one of the meetings, freshmen Jimmy Hoy and Lauren Bates joke around.



### Student Council

**Front row:** Allison Sherman, Tara Lettenmaier, Matt Elless, Peter Malaterre, Annie Lund, Lindsay Babb, and Tara Sheeley. **Row 2:** Scott Brand, Lyle Sinner, Pat Dardis, Jason Buchholz, and Jessica Dyrdaahl. **Row 3:** Brandon C. Anderson, Jimmy Hoy, Ryan Hanson, Erin Moch, Nick Reinisch, Jolene Berg, and Lauren Bates. **Back row:** Mrs. Karen Olson, Kristen Murch, Lisa Elless, Kacee Reinisch, and Sally Larson.



## Teachers go beyond, students stretch, both receive awards

Many people have heard of the Stretch award. You know the one where you receive something if you were to raise your GPA from one quarter to the next. What many people don't know, is that Packer Pride gives that particular award. Packer Pride handed out six such awards.

Jay Dandurand, Adrianna Anderson, James Tandeski, and Bjorn Fjosne all received the Stretch Award for first to second quarter. The prizes received were such things movie passes, gift certificates to various restaurants, or a gift certificate to Diverz.

Another unknown Packer Pride

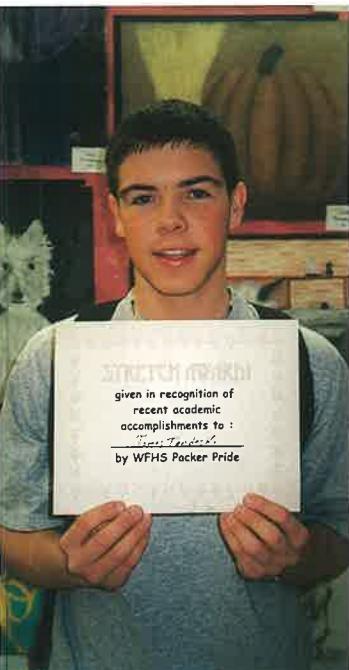


### Packer Pride

**Left to Right:** Brianne Regan, Kim Johnson, Tara Lettenmaier, Brandie Smedshammer, Kristi Hoffman, Elizabeth Dosland.



**"We like the dough-nuts!" said sophomores Serena Nordstrom and Kristi Hoffman**



**Hey, look mom I did it!** Showing off his Stretch Award, junior James Tandeski smiles big for the camera.

**Mmm, doughnuts.** Enjoying a morning treat of doughnuts, Packer Pride meets one meeting to decide awards.

award was the Above & Beyond award. This award was given to staff members, recommended by students. These teachers had done something that went above the call of duty. This award was given to about four staff persons last year. Mr Vern Spitzer, Ms. Sarah Trostad, Mr. Larry Anderson, and Ms. Pam Offerdahl all received this prestigious award.

Numerous people were awarded throughout the year. The committee served the school well for the entire year, helping students raise their GPA's for prizes and awarding great teachers.

By Megan Coon



# Art Club members enjoy very successful year

Art Club was a great after school organization that awarded students with many chances to improve their artistic abilities. The advisor for this club was Mr. Michael Anderson. The club also elected several officers.

"It's a fun social group, and a great group to have fun in while working on art," Art Club president senior Leah Herman said.

Candy was available for the students to sell in order to finance certain field trips which included a visit to the Bowler, the Treetop, or

West Acres.

"Making fun of the jocks who joined just so they could go to the mall is fun," senior Sara Majkrzak said.

In order to attend these events, you had to earn a certain amount of hours by putting in work for the Art Club. You could obtain those hours by working after school, helping to usher for plays when performances were taking place, or attending art nights.

During the school year, they managed to earn over \$4,500 and were able to keep half of their earnings.

"Being a part of this club has been a great experience throughout my high school career," senior Leah Herman said.

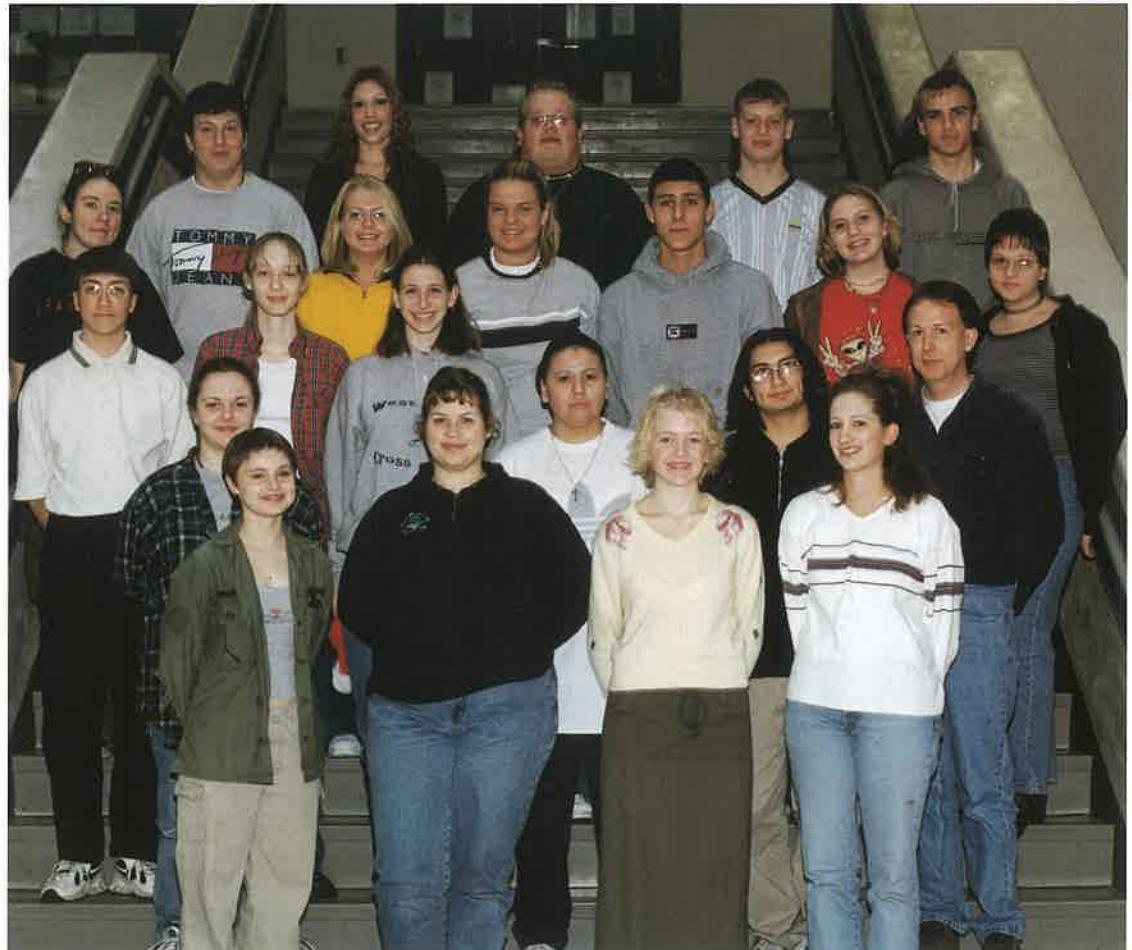
Members of the Art Club seemed to enjoy the laid back atmosphere of the group that allowed them to further develop their artistic abilities.

They also were happy to give a little back to the school by sharing their art work with students as well as faculty.

By Brandon Botner

## Art Club

**Front Row:** Megan Shirley, Leah Herman, Nancy Carriveau, and Sara Sahlberg. **Row 2:** Kate Horton, Tacinca Birrenkott, Juan Guajardo, and Mr. Larry Anderson. **Row 3:** Jacob Lavelle, Katie Nolan, and Melissa Weil. **Row 4:** Jamie Grant, Desrae Dunham, Sara Majkrzak, Chad Bofenkamp, Tara Buhr, and Alyssa Vrem. **Back Row:** Jody Lamb, Alicia Weishaar, Eric Smith, Brandon Botner, and Jason Kratcha.



*"Art Club is great when you become deeply involved with it."*

*It's a great group to be a part of, and it's a lot of fun."*  
--junior Brandon Botner



*"Art Club is a fun experience for all students who are interested in art."*

*--senior Desrae Dunham*



**Is everyone listening?** Taking charge during an Art Club meeting, senior Leah Herman explains what's going on while sophomore Megan Shirley listens intently.



**Destined for success.** Drawing her image of the future, sophomore Megan Shirley strives to complete her work.

**Almost a masterpiece!** Working diligently on her painting, sophomore Nancy Carriveau adds a little more detail.

**I think this could use a little more color.** While working on an art project, sophomore Chad Bofenkamp perfects his masterpiece.

## Marketing students improve community

DECA is an association of marketing students. The West Fargo DECA Chapter was very busy with many activities.

By bowling for charity, DECA raised \$500 for the Dorothy Day House. DECA played in two volleyball games to raise money. One game was hosted at South High and the other was hosted by West Fargo DECA to raise canned foods. DECA also raised money by selling roses at our school.

"We have had a lot of fun and also helped our community in the

process," senior Colin Eide said.

DECA had two presidents this year, Eide and senior Katie Anderson. DECA's vice president was junior Audrey Swangler.

DECA competed first locally than moved on to state, those whom won at state went to nationals in Louisiana.

Competition was fun for everyone, but most importantly competition taught DECA members how to deal with problems that may come up in our future work place.

By Carly Gatz

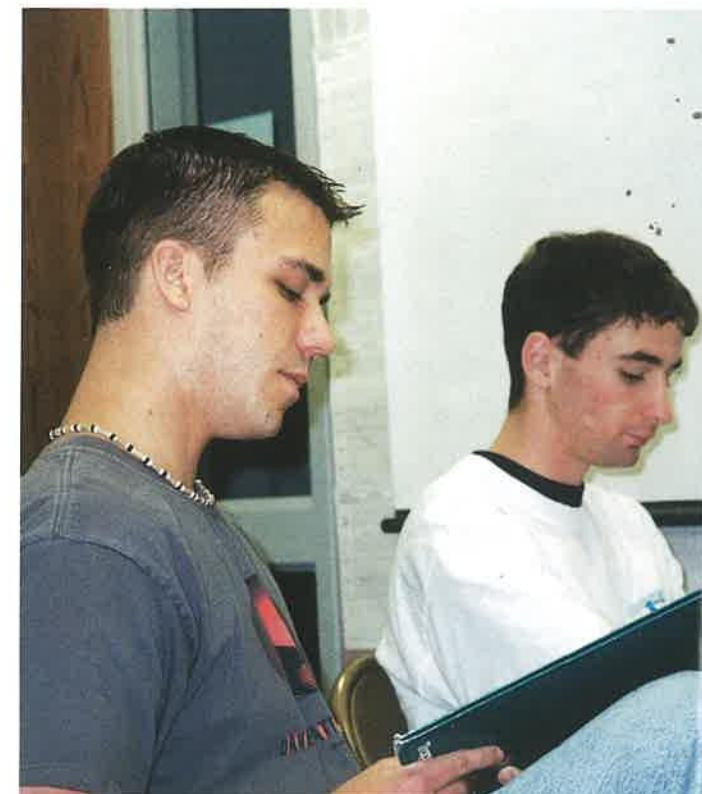


"Being in DECA is really fun and entertaining. It also helps its members with real life business problems."

junior-  
Audrey Swangler

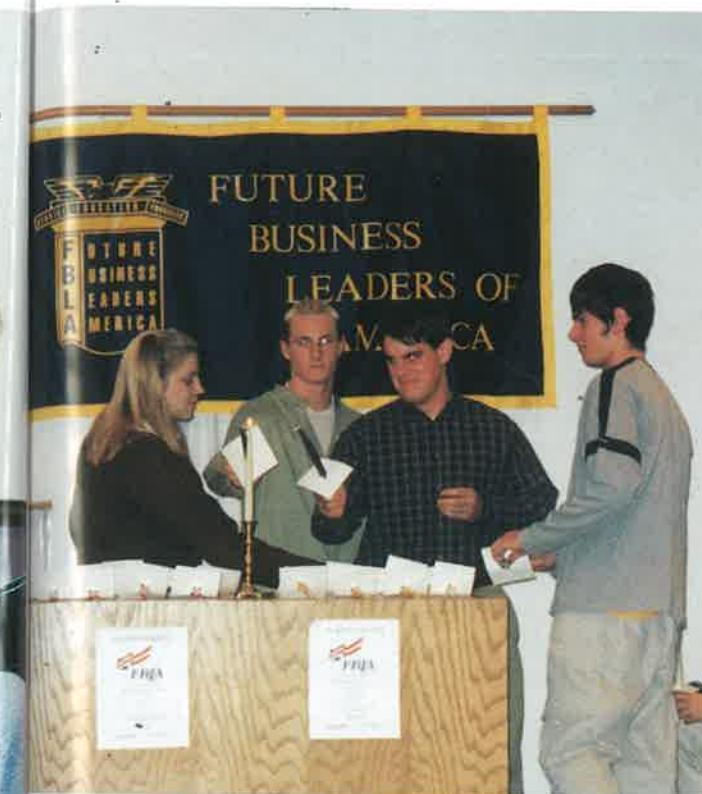
See, it's like this! At a DECA meeting, seniors Colin Eide and Mike Biewer, look over their agendas.

Eww!...Gross! Making a face to a comment, senior Amber Rutten expresses her emotions.



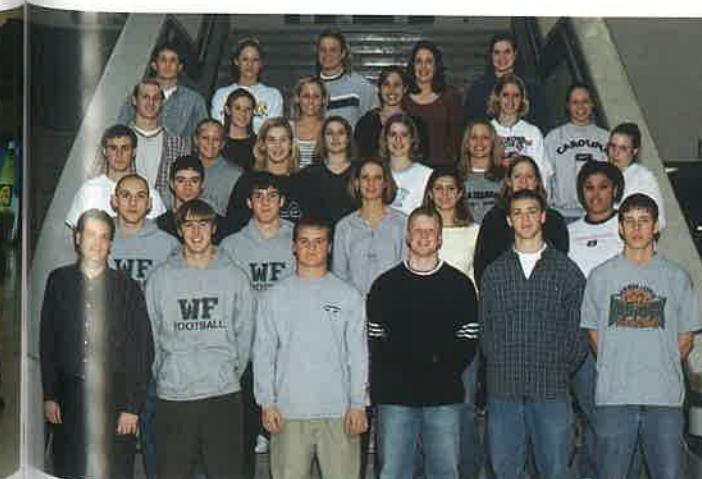
**DECA**

Front row: Amber Rutten and Katy Narlock. Row 2: Heather Overby, Lucy Jensen, Cherie Gehrig, Kim Johnson, Natalie Duncan, and Stacey Christl. Row 3: Carly Gatz, Diane Kasowski, Krista Johnson, Darcy Lemke, Katie Anderson, Trisha York, and Bobbie Paulson. Row 4: April Hagel, Jolene Berg, Audrey Swangler, LeeAnn Prokop, Karen Simpkins, Kristi Crummy, and Mindi Thorstad. Back row: Nick Becklund, Mike Biewer, Christopher McDougall, Brianne Regan, Ross Brennan, Colin Eide, Nick Lund, and Mr. Steve Anderson.



**FBLA**

Front row: Mr. Rick Anderson, Jason Dyrdahl, Boe Sheeley, Pat Dardis, Jason Buchholz, and Chad Wolf. Row 2: Nick Larson, Marcus Urlaub, Amanda Krenz, Erin Moch, Angie Bishoff, and Robbie Gravely. Row 3: Jeremy Buehre, Mike Biewer, Maggie Asmund, Tonia Lidenberg, Kara Johnson, Lindsay Pavek, and Diane Kasowski. Row 4: Nick Becklund, Heidi Hanson, Kacee Reinisch, Darla Grunewald, Erica Redlinger, Jami Lee, and Jen Smerud. Back row: Matt Faller, Liza Sorteberg, Sara Majkrzak, Leah Anderson, and Jen Western.



## FBLA helps students with business matters

What was Future Business Leaders of America? To some it might have just been a group of letters. But to the actual members FBLA was an organization that helped prepare students for employment. It also increased their understanding of the American free enterprise system.

FBLA may have sounded like a class where all they did was learn about businesses, but it wasn't. Actually, FBLA competed both regionally and nationally. It also helped students to build more character and self-confidence.

By Marissa Krzmarzick



"I think that FBLA was a great experience with a great instructor and great classmates."

junior-  
Chad Wolf

Yeah! Fire! Fire! Performing the annual initiation, senior Nick Becklund, and other students from surrounding schools, light their candles.

How long do I have to stand here? Looking quite bored, senior Jami Lee, patiently waits her turn.



# New organization receives warm welcome into school

The creation of the Technology Students Association aka TSA was due much to the effort of Mr. Rich Cwikla. The organization has been in action for only a year and a half and has already received a warm welcome, and the students won an award at nationals after their first year.

The association is a collection of students that are interested in technology. They must have taken or were taking a technology class in order to be eligible to join the organization. As for the 1999-2000 year, there were 19 active members.

In order for students to compete, they must want to compete against

students from West Fargo, and students from around the state.

President junior Craig Nilles and Vice President/Secretary senior Kory Cwikla each competed at the national level during the summer of 1999, after the organizations first semester at West Fargo. Among the other officers were Treasurer junior Tyler Torgrimson, Reporter senior Jody Lamb, and Sergeant at Arms junior Brandon Anderson.

These students design, build, test various projects that will be entered in competitions at the school, region, state, and national levels.

The organization usually met on Wednesdays after school while students worked on projects

throughout the week after school. They also worked on projects throughout the school, such as recording the senior slide show and made copies of the prom Grand March as fundraisers.

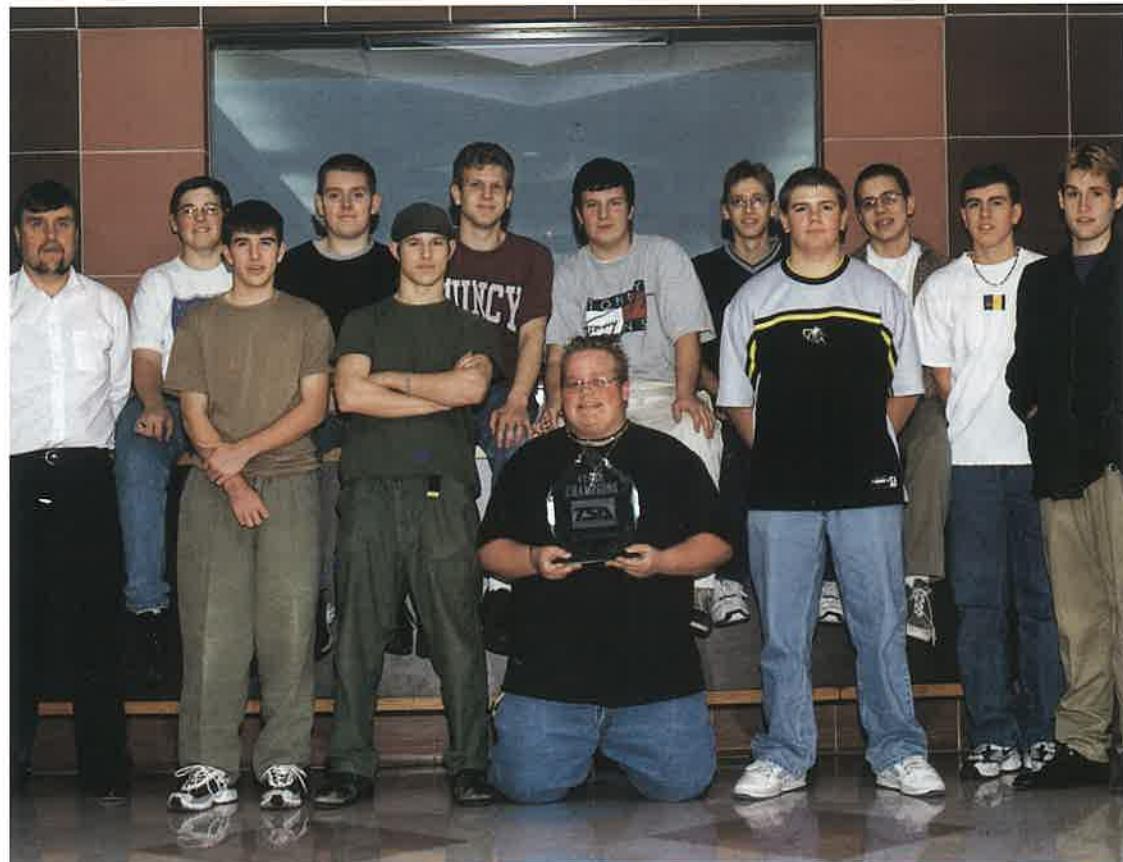
Much of the money raised in these projects will go to finance the organization's trip to Technology Student's Association to Atlanta for the national convention.

All in all, the organization has received an extremely warm welcome into the school. With a good start the association of technology students should respond very well to future projects.

By Amanda Lipp

## Technology Student Association

**Front Row:** Tyler Torgrimson, Dave Johnson, Eric Smith, Eric Wilcox, Brandon Vetter, and Dan Rolle. **Back Row:** Mr. Rich Cwikla, Chris Pankow, Kory Cwikla, Craig Nilles, Jody Lamb, Brandon Anderson, Bryce Johnson.

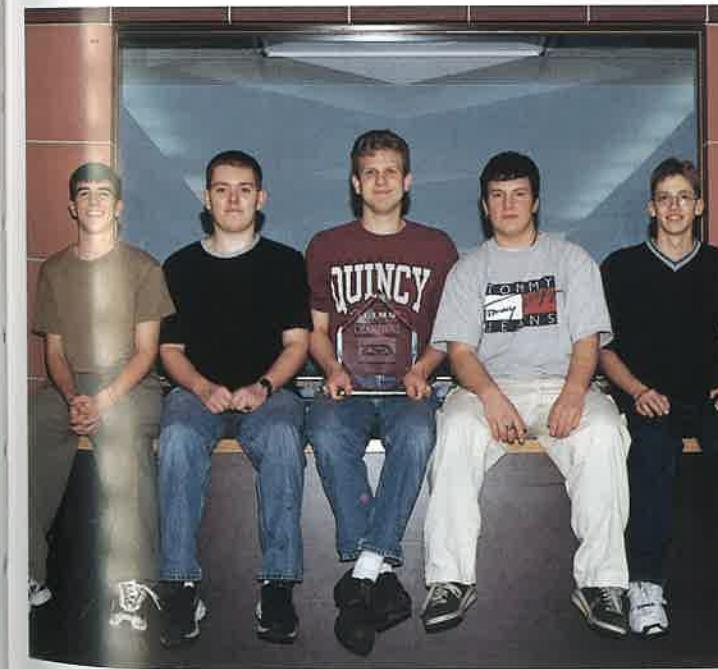


"We do anything in relation to technology education, and nationals was a good experience. It was interesting to see how many people would get very involved in technology."

--senior Kory Cwikla

## VAPCOM

**Front Row:** Tyler Torgrimson, Derrick Rohman, Greg Blatchford, David Valovage, April Hovland. **Back Row:** Jason Boer, Kory Cwikla, Jason Lorz, Melissa Weil, Jody Lamb.



### TSA OFFICERS

Tyler Torgrimson, Kory Cwikla, Craig Nilles, Jody Lamb, Brandon Anderson.

### VAPCOM OFFICERS

Kory Cwikla, Jason Lorz, Jody Lamb, Melissa Weil.

## Dash of this, that, poof

A little bit of this, a dash of that and POOF! Hopefully this didn't happen too much, but anything is possible when the Science Olympiad group is in the lab!

Students involved in Science Olympiad put forth a lot of time and effort to show their abilities to everyone. They came in after school, during free periods and even when they didn't feel up to it. In the end, these students were proud and excited with what they came out of the experiment with!

Their hard work throughout the

season paid off. They received fourth place out of ten teams, qualifying them for state.

"It was fun, but it was tainted by questionable events," said senior Kory Cwikla.

Even though there was questioning with placement, the team achieved their goals and had fun doing it!

Science Olympiad did an outstanding job, and everyone who will return is looking forward to another year.

By Jenny Grinde

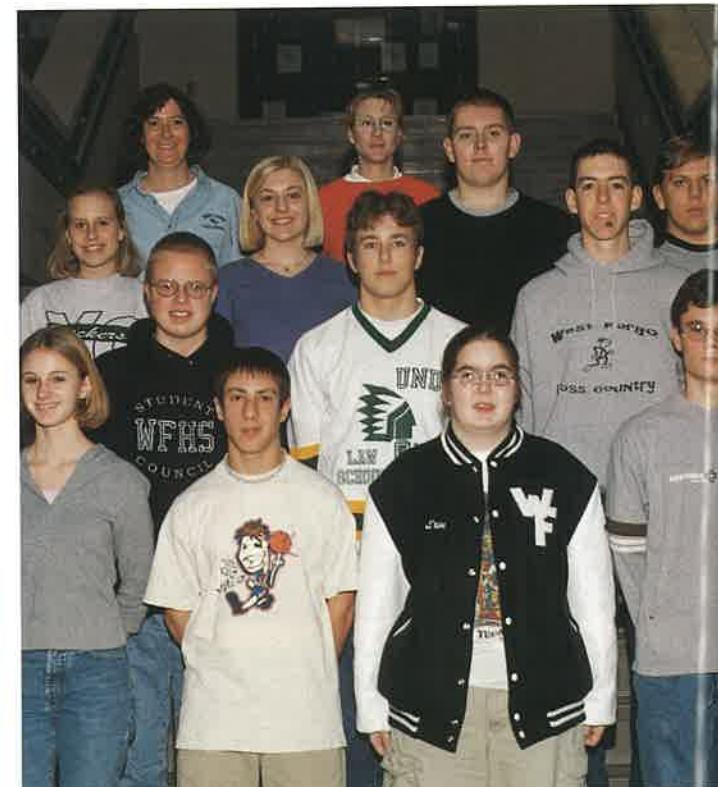


"It is fun and interesting. Most people wouldn't think so but they would be surprised," said junior Ken Grosz.



I'm sorry I blew up the science lab! Hiding from fellow teammates, junior Bryce Johnson works to finish up his lab projects.

Yeah, hurry up and take the picture already! Posing for a quick picture, sophomore Bryan Johnson takes a quick break from his science experiments.



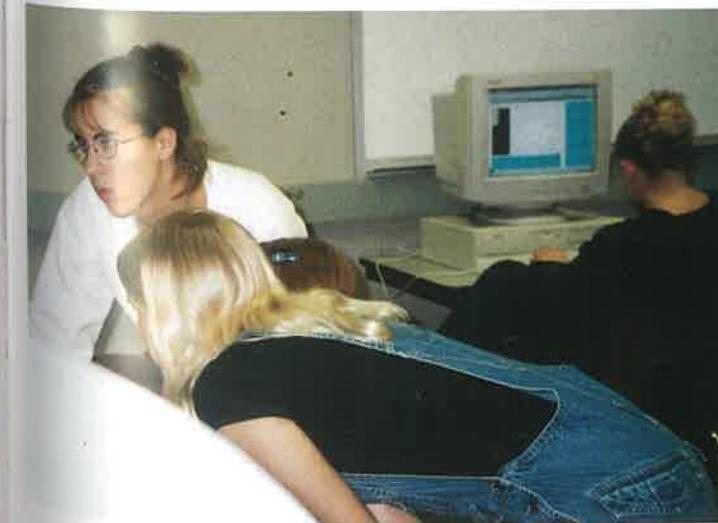
### Science Olympiad

**Front Row:** Kacie Hughes, Ken Grosz, Erin Bennett, and Brady Brodsho. **Row 2:** Brandon Anderson, Brian Johnson, and James Vranish. **Row 3:** Lisa Elless, Emily Tintes, Kory Cwikla, and Chad Walock. **Back Row:** Coach Mrs. Joan Baltezore and Coach Mrs. Pamela Thompson.



### KEY CLUB

**Front Row:** Nick Davis, Ben Burchill, Stephanie Waquan, Kelsey Tande, Becky Koppleman, Sarah Skallet, Crystal Mischke, Melisa Davis. **Back Row:** Joe Burchill, Josh Koehnen, Katie Nolan, Jenna Clark, Tiffany Rieniets, Jenny Thompson, Erin Tranby, Autumn Neu, Kacie Wollitz, Lisa Misialek, Kayla Beauchamp, Megan Warner.



## Key Club saves day ... once again

Volunteering, helping out, and just plain having fun is just a little bit of what Key Club was all about.

Even though this club has been around for awhile, the majority of the students at WFHS only knew when the meetings were from the student announcements and not much more. There's a lot more to the club than one would realize! And no, it didn't have anything to do with making, using, or even the melting of keys.

First of all the club worked at the annual pancake feed, worked at Yunker's Farm and tutored a few

elementary students, to name a few activities.

"When I tutor the elementary kids I have so much fun because they are so full of energy," said senior Erin Tranby.

Key Club has a fall rally in which they have a dance, talent show and different speakers.

This group does a lot in the community and has fun while doing it.

"It's fun and lets us have the opportunity to meet a bunch of interesting people," said senior Patty Halverson.

By Jenny Grinde



I had a lot of fun helping out the community. I would definitely encourage people to join! It's a lot of fun and gives you a good feeling inside," junior Joe Burchill said.

Maybe if I just do this it'll work! Working on the computer, senior Kelsey Tande tries to get the finishing touches done on her computer for their coming up community work.

# Drama days dazzle, discover dynamic depths

Drama Club has been involved in many productions such as *Jack and the Giant* along with *The King and I*.

"I was glad I didn't have to dye my hair, they just told me to shave it all off," said senior Dave Johnson.

The season ended with the one act show *Island of Dreams*. The cast performed at state and then were invited to perform at the International Theater Conference.

"It's a great experience. I would never have wanted to pass up the chance," said senior Rachel Samuelson.

There is more to the drama club than just productions. Each year they have a book drive in order to give a book to each child that attends the children's show. In the beginning of the year they hold a Storybook Breakfast. This is where the drama members dress up as storybook characters and

have breakfast with children from the public. "I found drama to be a lot of fun," said sophomore Kayla Woodley.

The commitment that was shown by drama members was the key factor to its success this past year. Everyone did their best to perform for the school and public audiences. They were awarded not only by the public but by their directors as well.

By Sarah Murray

## Drama Club

**Front Row:** Megan Coon, Amanda Felts, Tracy Burroughs. **Row 2:** Cathy Bernhagen, Leah Herman, Amy Trapp. **Row 3:** Heidi Aaberg, Zane Nitzkorski, Jenny Mittag, Kelsey Hertel. **Row 4:** Stacy Mittag, Nicki Anderson, Catie Loney, Kayla Woodley, Chris Pankow. **Back Row:** Dave Johnson, Adam Montgomery, Ashley Parrow, Rachel Samuelson.



"All I have to say is it's harder than you think! Oh...and that it's a blast! There is no better way to meet people!"  
--junior Amanda Gartner



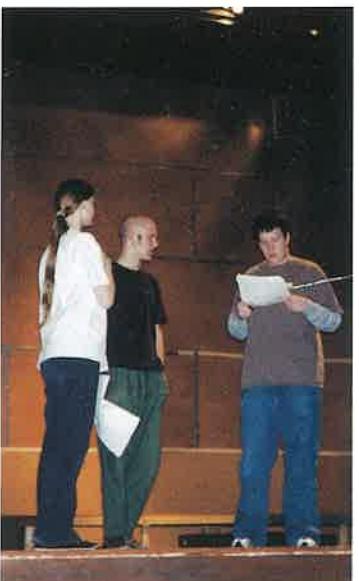
"Drama is the greatest thing on the planet!! Normality is out, so everybody is just as crazy and wild as I am!!!!"  
--sophomore Amanda Felts



Mmmmm... that's excellent!! While guzzling back some wiggle-waggle, senior Stacy Mittag feeds senior Dave Johnson through a tube while others watch.



As I was saying... While deep in a conversation and smiling happily, seniors Karen Olson and Dave Johnson share a funny thought.



Where were we at? While going through a run, seniors Ashley Parrow, Dave Johnson, and Jody Lamb work hard to finish the scene.

Ah, that looks like it could hurt!! While trying to avoid a smash on the head, seniors Dave Johnson and Jody Lamb fight in a duel to the death.

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## Dance, song, acting; all equals fun

After three months of hard work and over 400 hours of work, the Drama department put together a fantastic show. *The King and I* brought tears of laughter and sadness to many faces. "This proved to be the best performance I had ever been in," senior Stacy Mittag said.

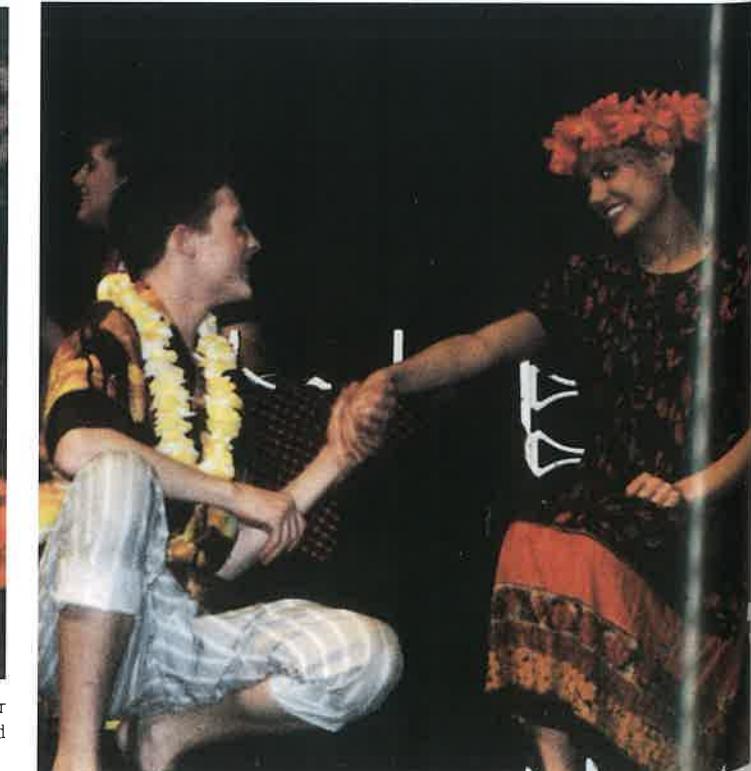
*The King and I* took place in Siam. The King paid an English school teacher, Ms. Anna, to come and educate his children and wives.

The cast and crew worked hard for three months. They had help from parents and friends in order to meet such a demanding deadline. They spent every free moment of their time either building the set or sewing costumes and

By Catie Loney



Have you seen how many rings I have? Giving a command on stage, senior Dave Johnson is the king.



I think that I am in love. Playing their parts, freshman Adam Montgomery and senior Rachel Samuelson link hands.

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When you wish upon a star. Gazing out into the audience, senior Stacey Mittag delivers an excellent performance.



Your wish is my command. Showing his allegiance, senior Jody Lamb prepares to bow to the king.



Every theater has a ghost and you are capable of cursing the theater if you say a certain word. But I'm unable to tell you that right now because you might say it. I made the mistake of saying it three times on stage during practice for the State show. To reverse the curse I had to spin around and repeat: Angels and Ministers of grace defend thee. I don't think I'll ever say it again.

--freshman Zane Nitzkorski



I had a great time and I will never forget

our picnics in Siam.

--sophomore

Cathy Bernhagen



Is this ever going to end? Putting in another long day, members of the cast try to put the finishing touches on the show.

Check out those shoes! Watching a fellow cast member, the dancers add their flavor to the show.

# A Top Ten According to the Newspaper Editor: Rules to run a newspaper

10. Writing a news story always takes longer than it should.
9. Everyone loves you, until you spell their name wrong and don't catch it.
8. Nothing fits right on the page when its 10:30 the night before the paper goes to press.
7. Never volunteer to write 5 stories and still think you can do most of the senior edition by yourself.
6. There is never enough time to finish anything related to the paper.
5. No amount of stress pills will ever be enough.
4. You get to know the night janitors very well.
3. No matter how much you plan ahead, something always backfires.
2. Always leave room for apologies.
1. It's always fun being in charge, especially when even you don't know what to do.

Written by newspaper editor-in-chief senior Kory Cwikla

## Publications Editors

### Front Row (Kneeling):

Jenny Grinde (yearbook).

### Middle Row (standing):

Amanda Lipp (yearbook),

Marissa

Krzmarzick (yearbook),

Ashley Swensen (yearbook).

### Back Row (sitting):

Ben Watne (newspaper), and Kory Cwikla (newspaper).



# Success cooperates with newspaper staff in receiving awards

Harsh deadlines put the newspaper staff to work throughout the year. The staff turned out seven complete issues, with two supplements regarding the millennium and graduation.

Senior Kory Cwikla was editor-in-chief of the newspaper, with junior Ben Watne as advertising editor and junior Nicole Grund as copy editor.

The newspaper staff did very well at the Northern Interscholastic Press Association's spring conference. NIPA, as it is better known, is an organization for publications groups that work hard and compete against other schools.

"It was a fun experience, and we learned a lot. It was great testing

yourself against other schools," Watne said.

Many of the students in the newspaper class won awards in their individual competitions. The paper itself was given the All-Northern rating, the highest rating a paper could receive besides the sweepstakes award.

The staff won first place for best supplement. Many individuals also placed during the Journalist-In-Action competitions. Cwikla received an honorable mention for advanced newspaper design. Junior Eric Smith was awarded first place in novice editorial cartooning. Junior Amanda Krenz won an honorable mention award in novice feature writing. Sophomore Nic Waldenhaus received

second place in novice reviews.

The second place award for novice infographics was given to sophomore Nichole Teeuwen. Junior Dustin Gustafson won first place for advanced reviews and an honorable mention award for advanced advertising layouts. Freshman Andrea Weishaar received third place for novice editorial cartooning, and third place for novice graphic designing.

"It was the first school trip I've gone on that was actually fun," Weishaar said.

With all the fun at NIPA, the staff managed to get things accomplished. They created a publication that was widespread throughout the school.

By Amanda Lipp

Some thoughts on being a part of the newspaper:

"I lost 48 pounds in just 2 weeks!"

"We're going to take Fargo South down next year!!!"

"Watching Ms. Nelson's reaction when I told her I hit her car, that was great!"

all these quotes from sophomore Dustin Gustafson

"Goose's darkroom dance was a really good, funny part of being a part of the newspaper."

--junior Eric Smith

## Newspaper Staff:

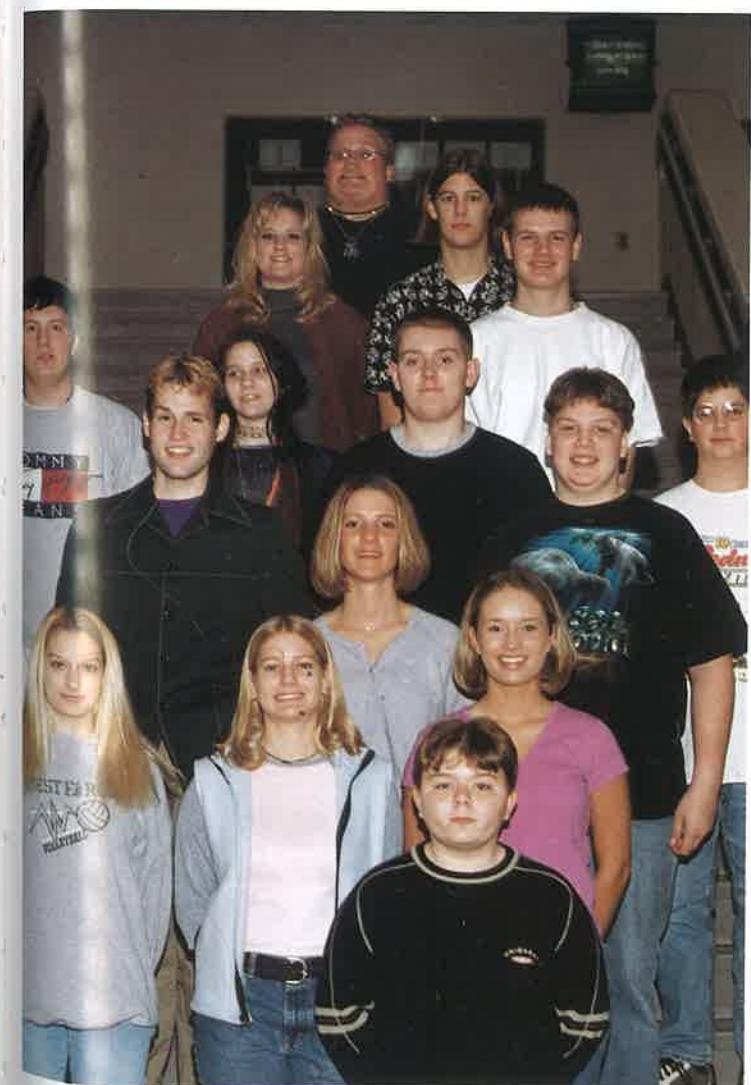
### Front Row: Ben Kapel. Row 2:

Amber Broderson, Audrey Swangler, Nicole

### Grund. Row 3:

Dan Rolle, Amanda Krenz, Joe Gorman.

### Row 4: Jody Lamb, Leila Kurle, Kory Cwikla, Zach Steele. Back Row: Miss Toni Nelson, Eric Smith (Footer), Zach Stenerson, Ben Watne.



# From newcomers to experts, yearbook staff matures

Choices were made every day during yearbook class. The whole period was reserved for the staff to create an entire yearbook based on the creativity of their own minds. Most of the students were newcomers to the world of designing and producing a work of art.

There were only a few students in the class who had previously taken publications. To make things a little more stressful, there was also a new teacher and a new company used to produce the yearbook. "It has been a great learning experience for myself, and the staff was great to work with," Mr. Jeremy Johnson said.

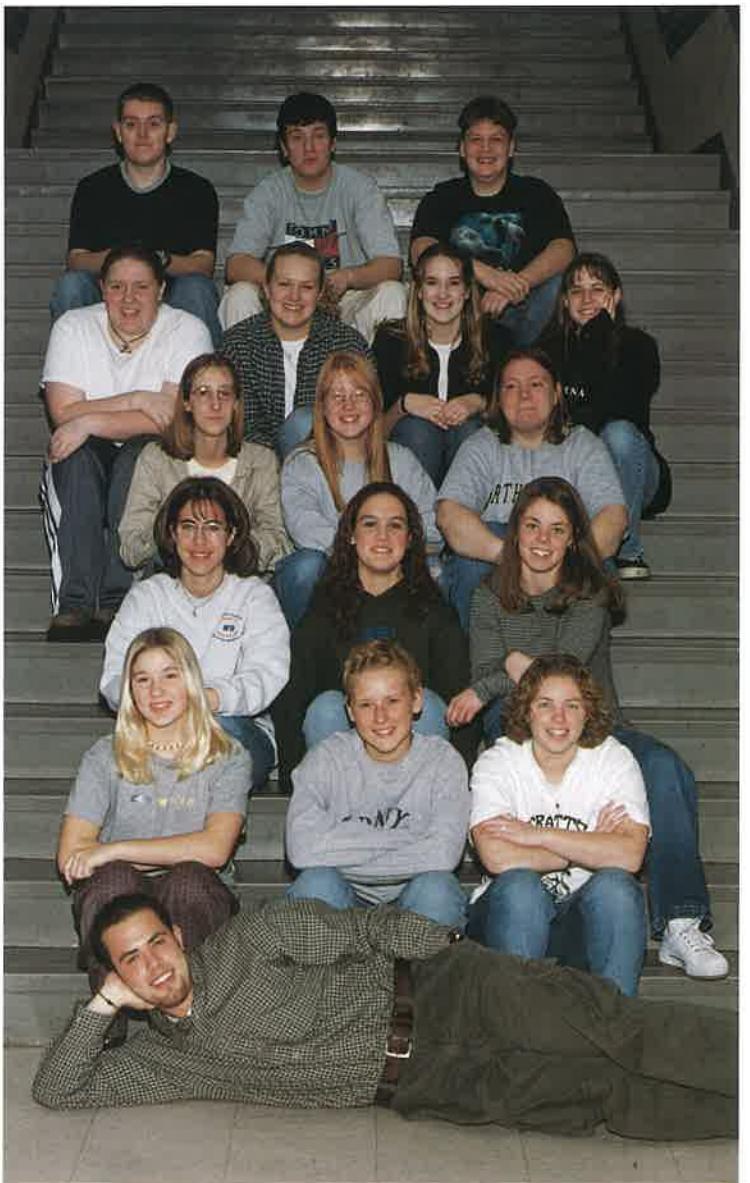
Even with spaced deadlines the

staff worked hard. Everyone had their own responsibilities. Since the publications class was split into a newspaper class and a newspaper class. "Yearbook class is so much fun, because it works on a much more personal level and you can have more fun with everyone," junior Megan Coon said. With much smaller classes, it was much easier to communicate with one another. "Publications is a great class. Not only do you get to work with double-page spreads and computers, but you also get to meet wonderful people who care about how you are. It is fun, but you have to meet the deadlines, which can be very frustrating."

By Amanda Lipp

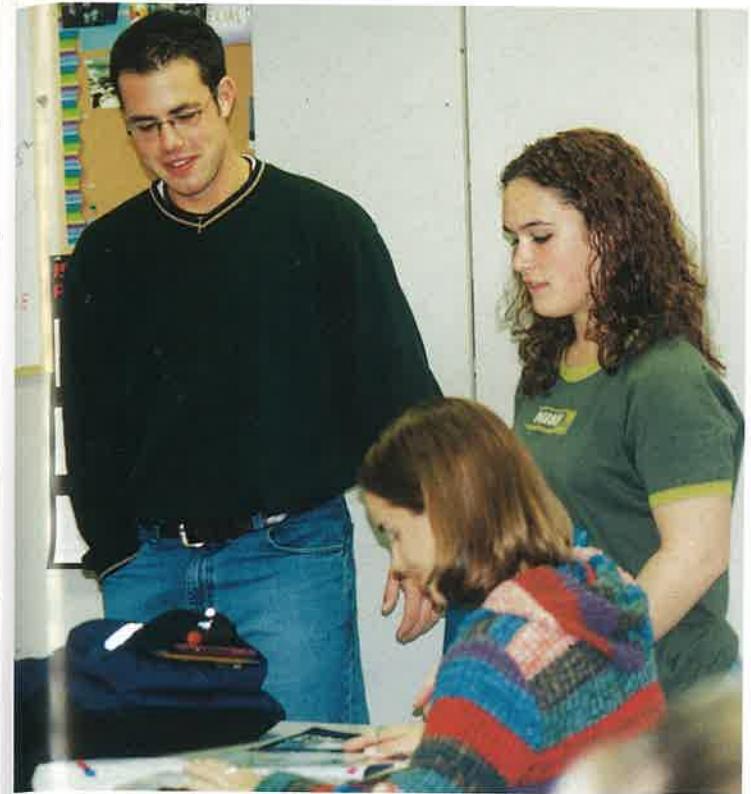
## Yearbook Staff

**Front Row:** Mr. Jeremy Johnson. **Row 2:** Jessica Jansen, Jenny Grinde, and Catie Loney. **Row 3:** Kelsey Tande, Kristi Jung, and Ashley Swensen. **Row 4:** Ashley Williams, Megan Coon, and Amanda Lipp. **Row 5:** Sarah Murray, Megan Robley, Marissa Krzmarzick, and Carla McLean. **Back Row:** Kory Cwikla, Jody Lamb, and Joe Gorman.



## 1999-2000 Northern Interscholastic Press Association (NIPA) Yearbook awards:

1998-1999 yearbook received an All Northern rating, the highest rating possible. It also received the Sweepstakes Award for the second year in a row. It received judges awards for theme, special effects, and yearbook design. Individual awards were rewarded to junior Jenny Grinde, an honorable mention in advanced photography, junior Jennie Claus, a third place award in novice yearbook copy writing, and senior Amanda Lipp first place in advanced yearbook spread design.



Hey, that's looking pretty good! Joking about her magazine, juniors Kristi Jung and Jennie Claus chat about life with teacher Mr. Jeremy Johnson.



I like this one! Comparing pictures and stories in other yearbooks, junior Megan Coon and freshman Jess Jansen find their favorite designs.



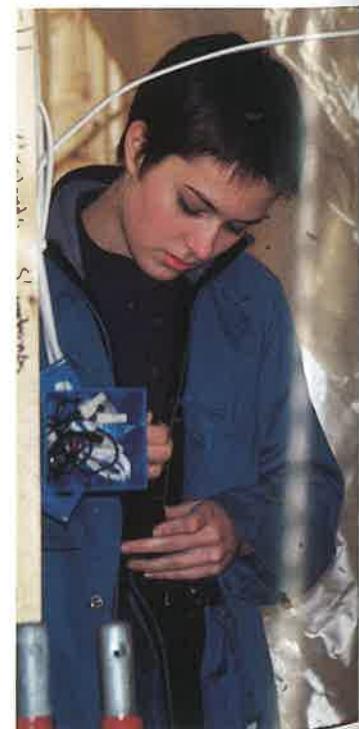
Let's see if I can find one for you. Sifting through a cupboard, Mr. Jeremy Johnson lifts through cameras and film to find exactly what he needs to take care of pictures.

Where did that page go?? Trying to figure out which pages looked best, junior Mel Kirklewski flips through a section of an old yearbook.

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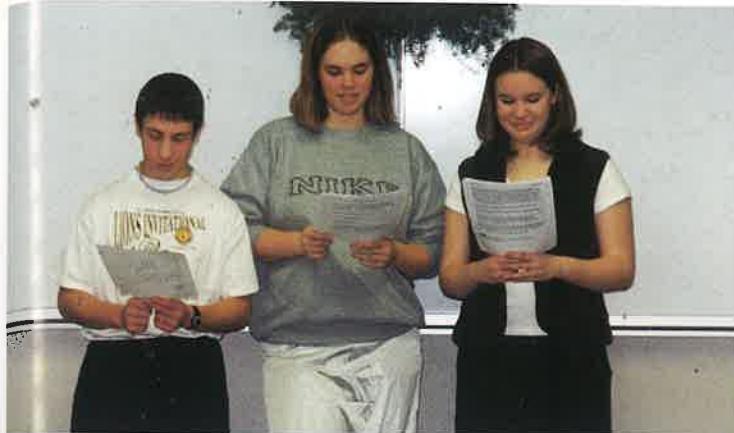


**"Deck the halls with boughs of holly..."** Dressed in old-time costumes, the Madrigal singers put on quite a show.



**No loitering at the bottom of the stairs!** Wasting some time between classes, students gather together and talk in the commons.

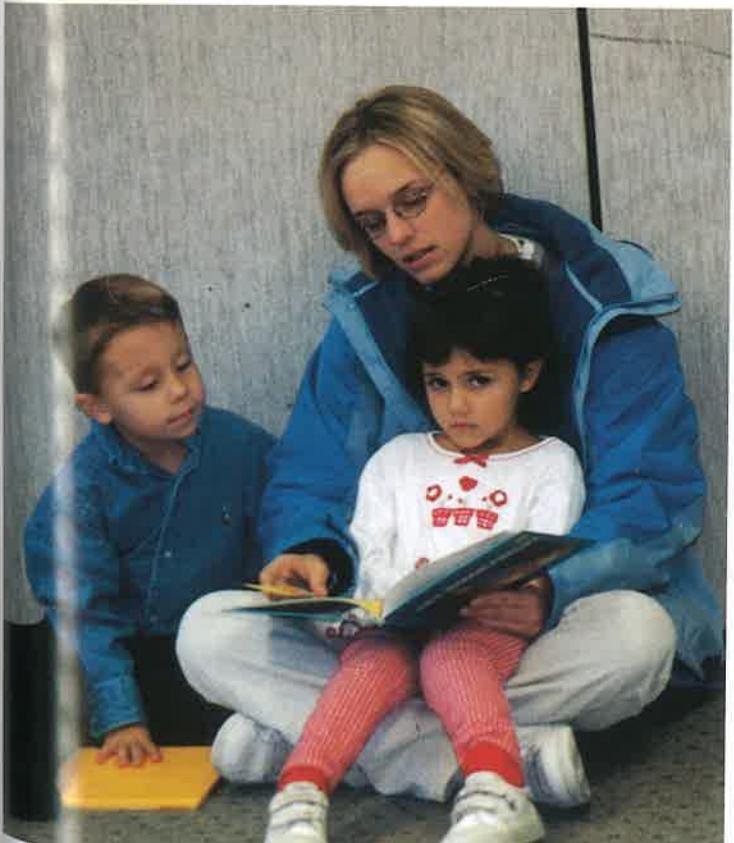
**Leave it to a woman to do a man's job!** Working on a project, junior Lexi Hogle gets the job done.



**"We hate speeches!"** Standing in front of the class, juniors Ken Grosz, Teresa Ellenson, and Grace Moorhead read from their papers.

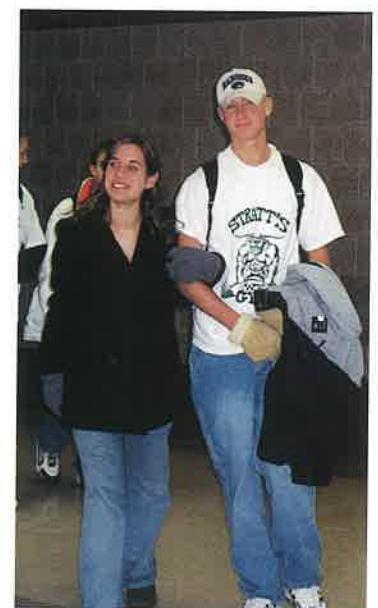


**"One, two, three... PULL!"** Straining against the rope, the seniors work to pull the freshmen team across the line.



**"We don't want to be late!"** Arm in arm, senior Erica Redlinger and junior Chris McDougall walk to their next class.

**"Once upon a time..."** Spending some quality time with the kids, junior Randi Wieland patiently reads a storybook.



A day in the life of a student on the last day of school: You wake up five minutes early, the adrenaline's pumping through your veins. You stub your toe running to the bathroom to proceed with your typical morning ritual. On your way to school, you can your way out of a speeding ticket. The cop must have appreciated the extra time spent getting ready. As soon as you walk in the door, your crush notices you strutting your stuff- What a rush! Unfortunately, you're brought down when your locker jams. Oh, well, you've returned all of your books already. How can the rest of the day go so slow? The classes never seem to end. Finally, the bell rings. School's out for summer! You dump every single notebook and folder in the nearest garbage can on your way out the door. You meet up with your friends to leave for that end of the year bash at the lake.

**Oh Yeah! He is all mine!** Acting cuddly at prom, junior Carla McLean and graduated Derek Mischke relax a little after dancing.



**Wow! Look at all those people.** Staring into the crowd, senior Stan Goldstone and junior Leah Brekke go through Grand March.



**"Near, Far, Wherever you are."** While singing for the group at post prom, senior Todd Schaffer, junior Eric Smith and senior Randy Ackerman sing their hearts out.



*Photo courtesy of Rick Heinz*



**Hey, smile for my mom.** Flashing a smile, senior Llonna Burbidge and Pat Dardis walk calmly over the bridge at Grand March.



**Hey! Tell that one again!** Listening to an interesting story, a cluster of friends discuss the exciting evening.



**Oh great. Another picture opportunity.** Gazing into another photo op, some close friends pose once again for the camera.



**Wow! That necklace is so shiny.** Gazing at his date, sophomore Dustin Gustafson and Senior Tiffani Nirschl dance away the night.

## Prom proves wonderful for many students

Prom meant many different things to different people. To some it meant romance and being with someone you love. To others it was simply an opportunity to hang out with friends and look like a couple out of "James Bond".

"I had a better time than I thought I would. We sang karoke all night long and we rocked the house non-stop," junior Eric Smith said about the post prom atmosphere.

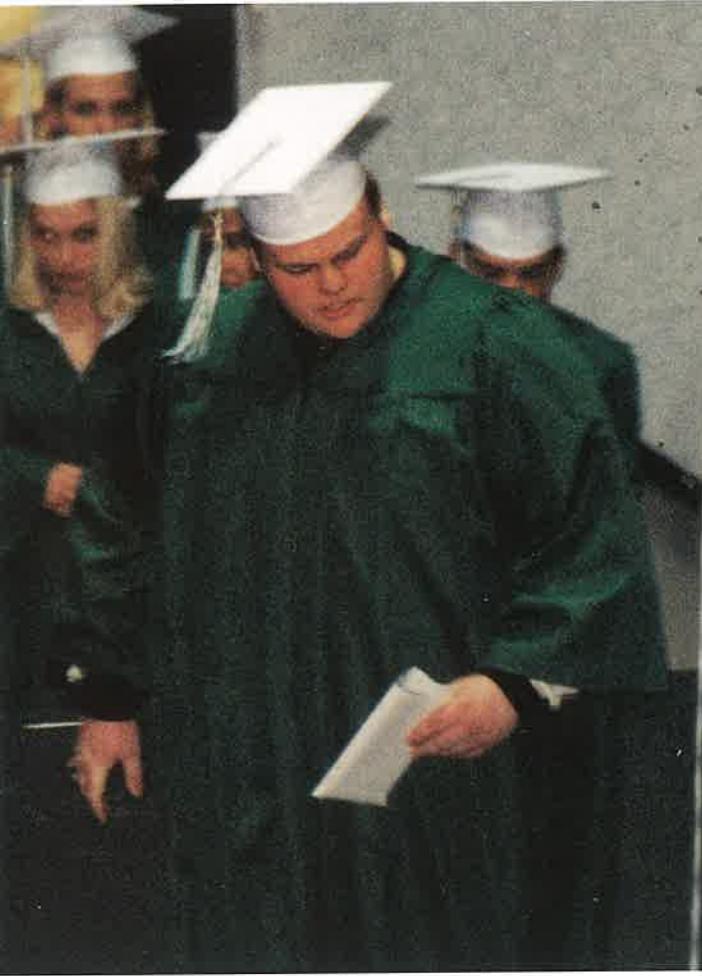
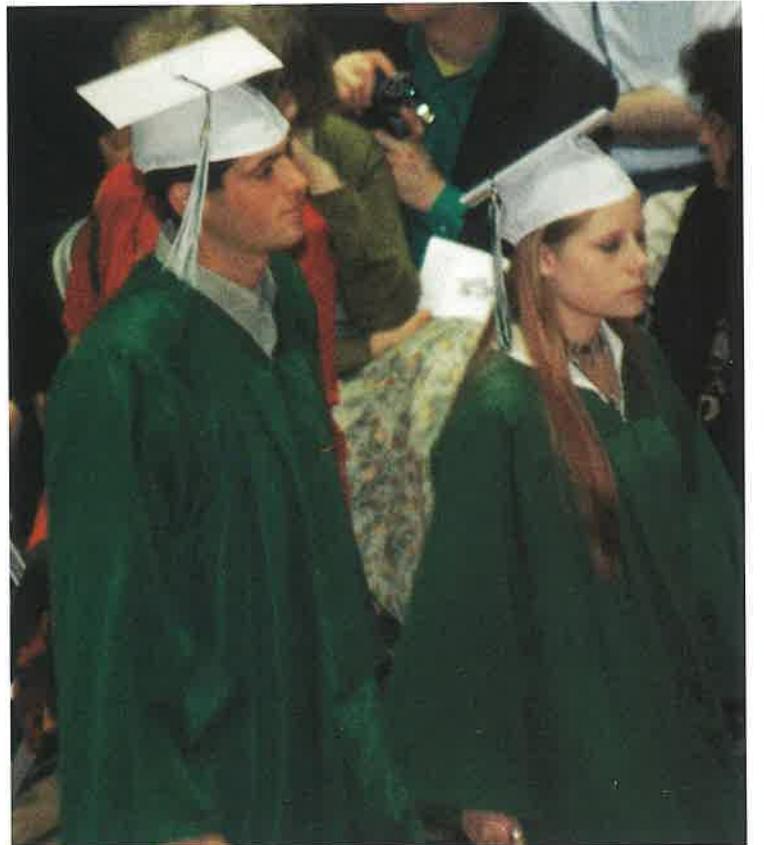
Overall, the night was enchanting for all students who attended.

Following prom was post

*By Marissa Krzmarzick*

**Welcome to Graduation.** Walking with their partner, seniors Jess Floan and Caleb Fink nervously find their seats.

**Heck yeah, I'm outta here!!** Grabbing his diploma, senior Greg Haakenson congratulates himself on a job well done.



**Congratulations, son.** After an extremely short year, senior Samir Garib receives his diploma.

**Whew, the hard part is over.** Leaving the stage, senior Lisa Elless is glad she is done with her welcome address.



## Seniors congratulate each other on significant job finally finished

**Graduation.** The occasion everyone waits to happen to them. The seniors awaited graduation until 2 pm at the Civic Memorial Auditorium on Sunday, May 8, 2000.

With 31 seniors graduating with honors, and the many NHS graduates, the ceremony went well. It took approximately one hour for the 308 seniors to receive their diplomas, announce scholarship winners and listen to class speakers. After the ceremony, large numbers of people filed out of the auditorium waiting to congratulate their graduate.

The post-graduation party was held at the West Fargo High School from 10 pm to 4 am. There was bungee run-

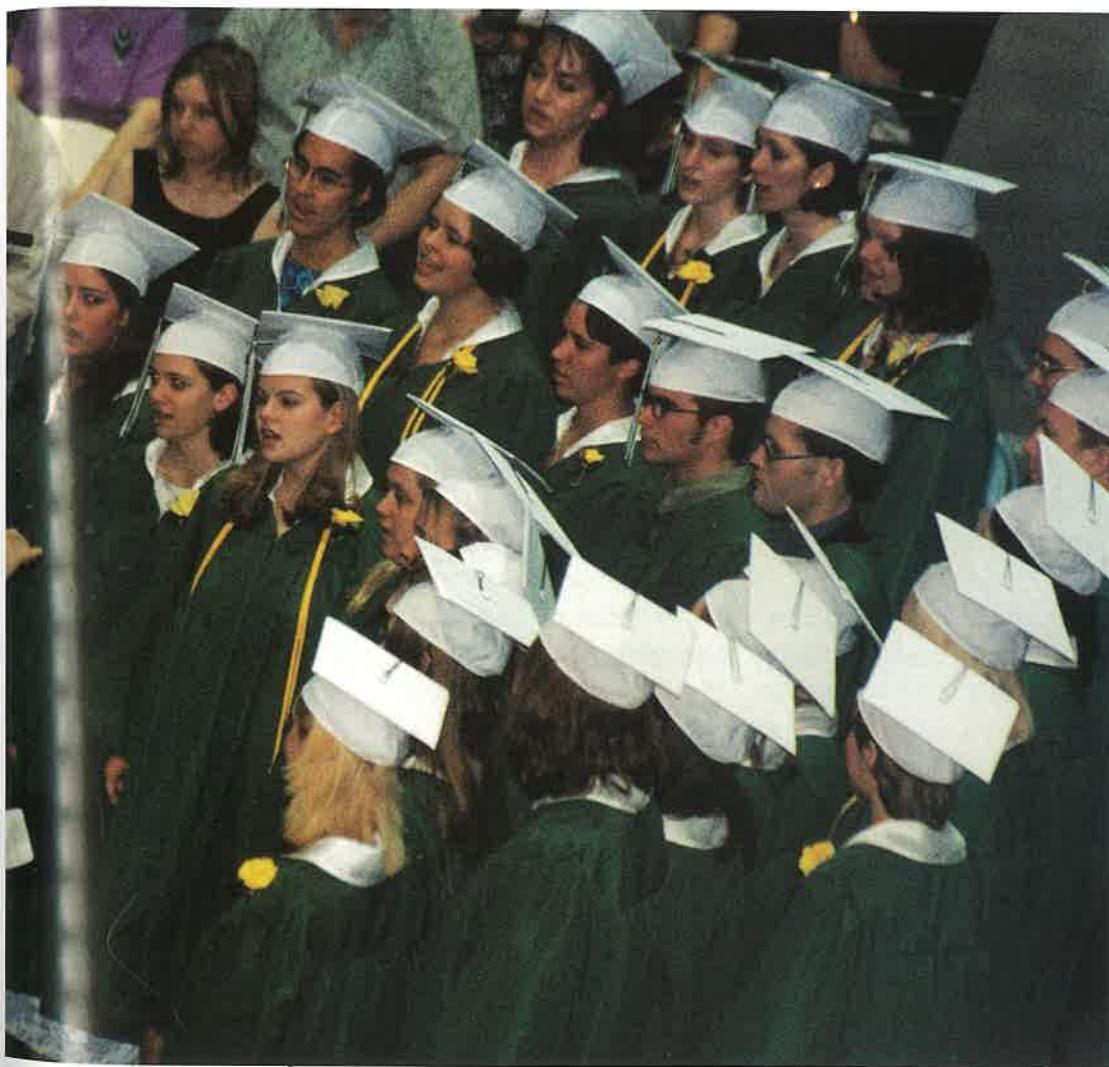
ning, sumo wrestling, jousting, and miniature golfing in the gym. Other games included karaoke in the commons, and blackjack. Bingo in 112C, pool in the foyer, and darts by the office were also there. Names of the numerous prize winners were posted near the Packer Connection. The many prizes given away included a dorm fridge, two \$500 cash prizes, six \$100 cash prizes, and 150 funticas:

The thought of winning prizes was enough to get seniors to attend post-grad. Those who attended were happy to see all their friends gathered together in one place for one last moment in time.

By Amanda Lipp



**Hey, I can't believe you!!** Cracking up, senior Erin Tranby and former WFHS grad Brandon Van Dyke smile big, happy the graduation is over.



**May the music never end.** Senior choir members enjoy the last song they will ever sing all together during commencement.

**I can't believe he won the fridge!!** Sitting next to the ever infamous dorm fridge, senior Aana Shaw eagerly awaits her name to be called for a prize.

# SENIOR

Jason Dyrda

Working with my partner in crime Marcus Urlaub, in a laundry room with an unnamed other party.

Nick Larson

My favorite senior memory is when I finished taking the government final test. I was glad to be done with the class and also knowing that I passed.

Anonymous

For environmental science we went to Buffalo State Park for orienteering. Aana Shaw, Erik Hansen and I were in a group and we went on the wrong course and into the woods. We got all muddy, but we found our way back.

Erik Hansen

Our environmental science class went to Buffalo River State Park to run courses with compasses. Jamie Hendrickson, Aana Shaw, and I took the wrong course which led through the woods and swamps. We were covered in mud up to our knees and shirts.

Kacie Wollitz

My favorite senior memory is all the fun times talking before school and at lunch time and going to all the football and basketball games.

Jill Lundgren

All the interesting moments in football and basketball cheerleading, winning state two years in a row, and going "garage sale" shopping with Kacee Reinisch for Packer Spirit gear.

Chris Moore

I gave my teacher Mrs. Liebl a giant can of olives, creating a friendship that can never be broken.

Brianne Regan

When Lisa Haar, Kacee Reinisch, and I stuffed our bras with socks and then went to dumb places like the gas station to see if people noticed. We were laughing the whole time and then

Jamie Swenson

the next day we went to Dayton's and bought water bras.

Todd Schaffer,

Randy Ackerman, and I went bowling and Todd and Randy had a cupcake fight consisting of cupcake everywhere in their hair, face, and all over the floor and almost got kicked out of the bowling alley and were going to make them clean it up.

Courtney LeClair

My favorite senior memory was when my best friends, Amy Sahr, Keziah Keller, Rachel Samuelson, and I made our Hawaiian dresses from scratch two hours before the dance.

Brent Tehven  
Back to back State Football Championships.

Erik Schimdt

When Jill Lungren came into first hour psychology and started flirting with the observer because she thought he was a new student. She was so embarrassed when she found out who he was.

Kelsey Tande

My favorite memory of high school would have to be being in the pit orchestra for the play. During West Side Story, we had Whoppers in the

pit, and just when the cast stopped for a very climatic part, someone poured out some Whoppers from the carton. It sounded like thunder!

Lisa Elless

I remember when the chess club was called for activity pictures. Since there is no chess club, our calculus class went down and we are now the chess club.

Colin Eide

1. "Who let Crazy Biewer up!" trust me, it's hilarious.  
2. Taking over the Business world!

Erin Tranby

When I walked into calculus one day and Nick Westberg was on Hawk's shoulders and Hawk was running around the room. Then after Nick got down Mr. Dew walked in and said "I brought milk and cookies."

Sabrina Mellem and Aana Shaw

Every year I asked Darcy what she wanted for Christmas and she would always say edible underwear. So this year I got her a gift bag with them in it and when

people asked her what she got she would say underwear in a can.

Anonymous

During Powder Puff practice, the seniors went after the Juniors with horrible crap. The juniors ran without taking their stuff. The cops came and said that the juniors couldn't leave until they cleaned everything up.

John Nelson

My favorite memory was arguing with my junior English teacher Mrs. Knox-Johnson.

Sarah Nygaard

I don't really have a favorite memory yet, but maybe just the fact of being a senior and how different it feels to know that I graduate in four months.

Anonymous

Jamie Swenson, Tammy Larck, Sarah Miller and I were driving to GFRR for a football game one-year. It was pouring rain so hard we could barely see the road. So to pass the time in the back seat Jamie and I sang songs from Spanish class. Too

bad we only knew Jingle Bells, so we sang that many times.

Tacinca Birrenkott

Meeting my best friend and who became more of a brother than anybody in the world could ever be, Jonathan Fuller.

Darla Grunewald

During my junior year, the Varsity Boys Basketball cheerleaders were toilet papering the boy's houses. It was freezing outside and we had just started

Brent Tehven's house when his dad came out with super soakers. Needless to say, the rest of the night was pretty cold.

Kerry Smith

My favorite memory was going to the hockey tournament in Devils Lake and spending two nights with Nikki, Jessie

and Jodi.

Things got wild and we stayed up till three in the morning and had to be up at eight to eat with the team.

Anonymous

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Lisa Haar

When Lindsey Larsen, Kacee Reinisch and I initiated all the new "LG" members.

Randy Ackerman

When I pushed Erik Schmidt's jeep into the snow bank with my blazer for parking in my spot.

Jon Manske

1<sup>st</sup> semester English, 7<sup>th</sup> period when an anonymous person mooned the Building Trades class from the room.

Matt Faller

Probably the most memorable senior memory would be being kicked out of the Powder Puff game for wearing a t-shirt with '69' on it, and then receiving one hour of detention for coming back when the game was over.

Alicia Mills

Powder Puff game, junior year when I tackled Noonan on the first play of the game. It resulted in a 15 yard penalty, but rumor has it I got the senior's attention real fast.

Brandon Gustafson

My favorite senior memory is when I won a TV for perfect attendance my freshman year.

Todd Schaffer

"Hey guys, I know this dip in the road...no one ever goes down there." \$375 later I got my car back. And getting in a cupcake fight with Randy at West Acres Bowl. It was all over.

Jodi Sailer

My favorite senior memory was when the senior Powder Puff team egged the juniors. When the cops stopped by to stop us, they decided it was okay as long as all the juniors picked up the mess.

Anonymous

In Accounting class when Erica Redlinger bent down to get her pencil and slammed her head against the table.

Greg Haakenson

One word: Hawk's giving!!!!

# MEMORIES

# Now... it's time to see what our editors have to say about being in the yearbook

Right away I would like to thank Amanda Lipp and Mr. Johnson for all their help this year. Without them we never could have made it through the year. Also a big thank you to all the yearbook staff of 99-00. You guys did a great job. I would also like to thank the faculty and all the students for allowing us to take pics at the weirdest times and get interviews for our stories.

Next I would just like to blab a little because I never really have been able to write whatever I wanted before. I really feel that this year went well. I learned a lot about what I want to do with my career and future. It pointed

Nothing goes hand and hand better with high school than the yearbook. Being a part of capturing so many memories for students to look back on is a wonderful opportunity. Although some disappointment is inevitable (there is more than a thousand of you guys, give us a break), I hope that this book serves its purpose and brings a little delight and joy into your lives.

The task of sitting down and planning a whole book from start to finish is a monumental task. Therefore many thanks are in order, not just from me, but from the entire student body here at West Fargo. A great big, "I can't thank you enough," is in order for Amanda Lipp. This year she shouldered the entire yearbook on her own, and let me think I helped

me in the direction of Journalism.

Now I would like to say hi to all my friends. Thank you for sticking with me this whole year.

Martina, I had a lot of fun this year. I wish you the best of luck in the future. Isn't this nice you get a private little message that every one else gets to read too.

I hope that everyone is having a great summer (since I'm writing this in the summer I can say that.) I hope you all have fun next year and good luck with everything.

Thank you to all that read this. We appreciate everything.

By Marissa Krzmarzick

**Finally we get to write anything we want and I'm lost for words! Yes, me, Jenny Grinde and lost for words! Ha Ha!**

**I'll just start with thank you's. Amanda, thanx for showing us everything we'll need to know and being patient. Mr. Johnson you did an awesome job! It wouldn't have been the same without you! To all the other editors, we have a tuff year coming up, but if we stick together we'll be able to handle the stress! Hopefully!! Also to all the "new people" in the Pub. class, thanx for being patient with us it was new to us once too. You guys did an awesome job!**

**To all of the seniors good luck with everything you do. For the rest of us still left behind here just remember to live for today, don't worry so much and have fun! It only gets harder from here! To all my classmates, thanx for the memories!**

Jenny Grinde

her along the way. She traveled the path of "Chief Editor" with wisdom, humor, and an uncanny sense of flexibility. Thanks for giving us a great role model to use next year.

I hope everyone realizes that Mr. Johnson jumped into this head first as yearbook adviser. I for one, am thankful that fate handed us such an adaptable, caring, hilarious, and down to earth guy.

I want to give a very special thanks to the fellow junior editors. I hope you guys realize how much I appreciate having people like you to spend my senior year with, working on one of the biggest projects of our lives. Ashley, Jenny, and Marissa, if next year is going to be anything like this year. It's going to be quite a trip.

Mel Kirklewski

**Whooooo hooooo!!!! We have finally finished 'the unofficial guide to life.' All yearbook staff and contributors hope that you will enjoy everything that has been included within it's covers. A BIG thanks to Amanda for guiding us this year in the creation of our 2000 yearbook. Thank you also to Mr. Johnson. You da' man!!**

**-Rhonda(you know who you are), you DIVA!!**

**-Kristi, if there's no way out, just jump the curb. HA!!**

**Unbelievably another year has passed, by, and yet another year will follow with more challenges followed by achievements. Good luck to all, especially seniors, in seeking and following the paths of your future. Remember that you will be known by the tracks you leave behind. Ok, that's all for now. Take it easy. Bye. ☺**

Ashley Swensen

Well, guys, another year has come and gone, and I am finally leaving!!! I can't wait. I wish you four the best of luck with the yearbook next year. I sure could have used it! High school is supposed to be one of the best times of your life, and I sure hope you guys treat it that way. I know you will have problems with making things fit into a space that was provided for it, but somehow you will all work it out. I want to give a big thank you to all four of the junior editors, you may not realize it, but you really did help me out a lot. I also want to thank senior JoRelle Grover for capturing our ideas for the yearbook. She drew the design for the cover from listening to and visualizing our ideas. I know it took us a while to figure out how things were supposed to go, but that kind of thing happens when you get a brand new teacher, a new editor, and a new company to print the yearbook all in one year. It was hard starting out, and we had a little bit of trouble getting through the year. All I have to say is "We finally made it to the END!!" I want to say good luck to you editors for working your hearts out on next year's yearbook. I know you will be working on it all the time. I hope all my fellow seniors and the rest of the school enjoy this book.

Amanda Lipp

**Front Row:** Eric Smith, Jenny Grinde, Ben Kapel, Nic Waldenhaus, Andrea Weishaar, Megan Coon, Marissa Krzmarzick, and Nichole Teeuwen. **Row 2:** Russell Cumber, Chris Perna, Kelsey Tande, Becky Koppelman, Jennie Claus, Jessica Jansen, Audrey Swangler, Amanda Lipp, and Leila Kurle. **Back Row:** Dustin Gustafson, Ben Watne, Zach Stenerson, Amanda Krenz, Nicole Grund, and Kory Cwikla.



This is the end to your unofficial guide to life

**Watch out, flying bird!!** Standing around and chatting, sophomore girls describe their science project: a donut.

**Do Re Mi Fa...** Reaching his notes, junior Ben Watne looks back to determine how well his performance went.



**No one is gonna get past us!** Standing their guard, juniors Amanda Krenz and Amber Voeller link arms with senior Courtney LeClair.

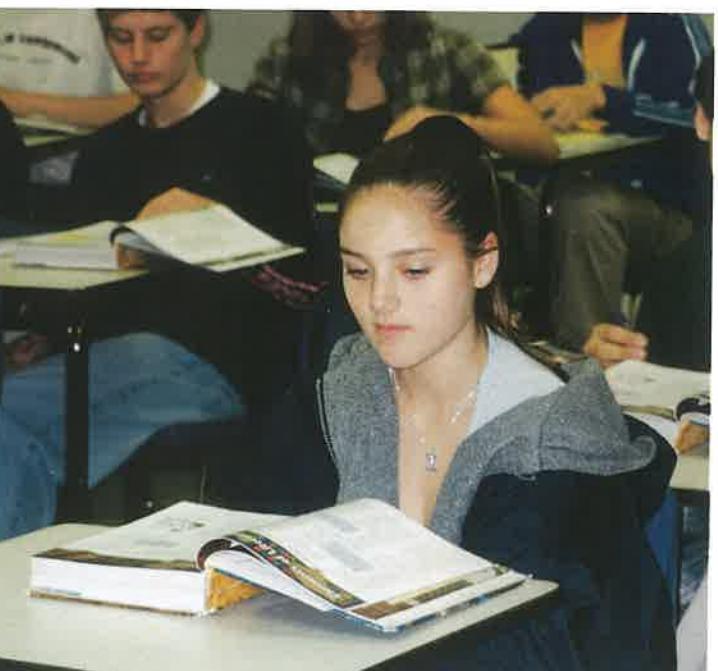
**Yes!! I made it!** Practicing for the next meet, senior Jodi Sailer congratulates herself on her perfect landing.



# 1999-2000

Following a short year of responding to questions, completing long homework assignments, and yet finding time to be with your friends, all students were relieved that it had passed. Everyone will now spend their time basking in the bright warm sun, or working in a hot confined building. Those earning money will be proud to have extra spending money throughout the entire summer and even save up a little bit for college. Those that spend their time outside in the beautiful sun will enjoy their nice dark tan. For all of the students and faculty of this school, congratulations on making it through another school year. Not to mention, the fact that this school year was one like no other. With the threat of a Y2K bug, and hoping everything wouldn't get lost, everyone turned out just fine. The yearbook class hopes that everyone will have a fantastic summer and will return refreshed and ready for a new year. As for you lucky seniors, congratulations on your marvelous achievement, and trust you will all have a bright, prosperous future.

**I am Siamese if you please!!** Singing her lines, senior Rachel Samuelson performs her part in the King and I.

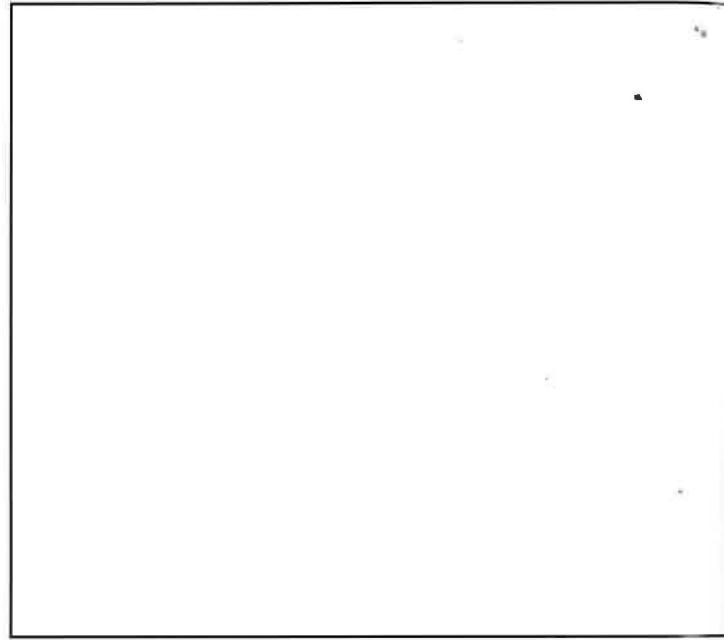
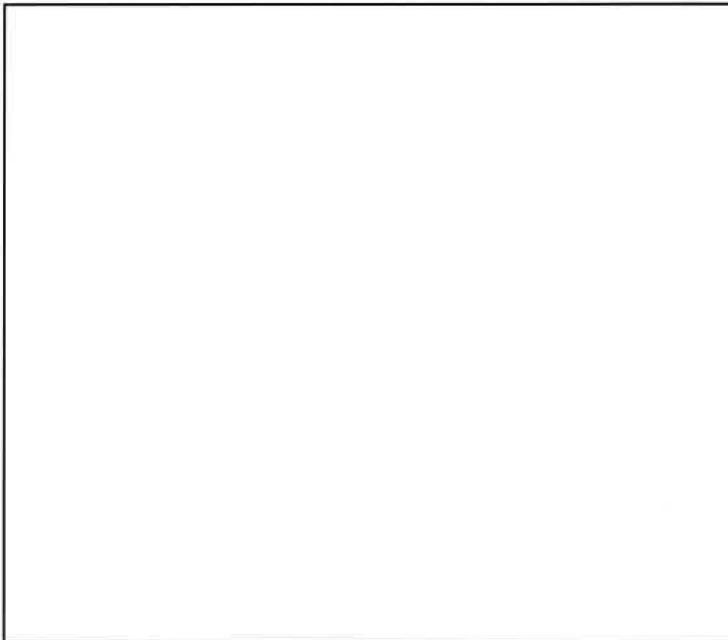


**Guys, let's not let this one ice!** Making sure he's steady, senior Caleb Johnson waits for the puck to shoot his direction.

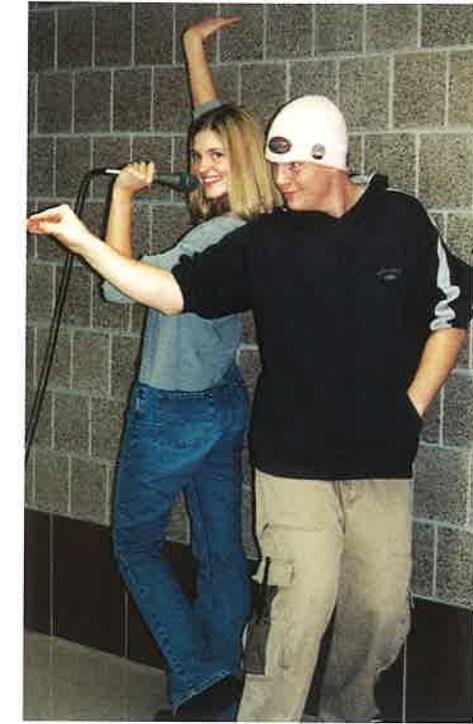
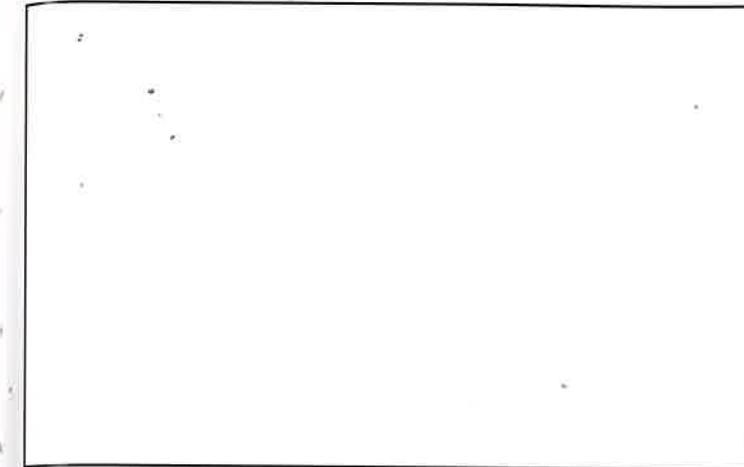
**I really don't want to read this section.** Skimming her text, freshman Crystal Borseth finds what she was looking for.

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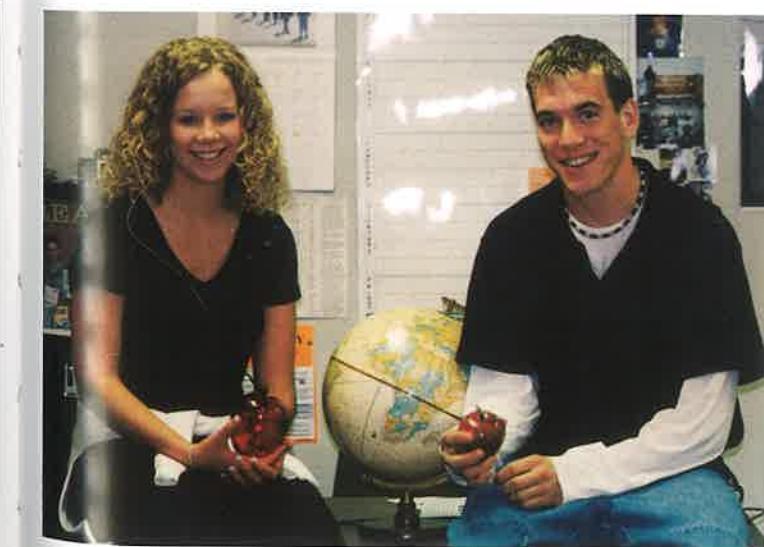
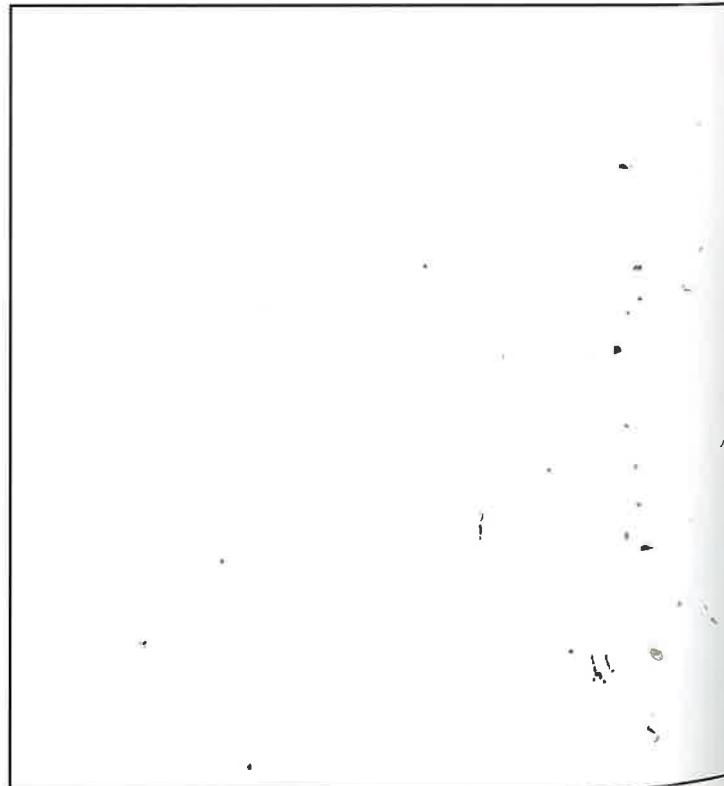
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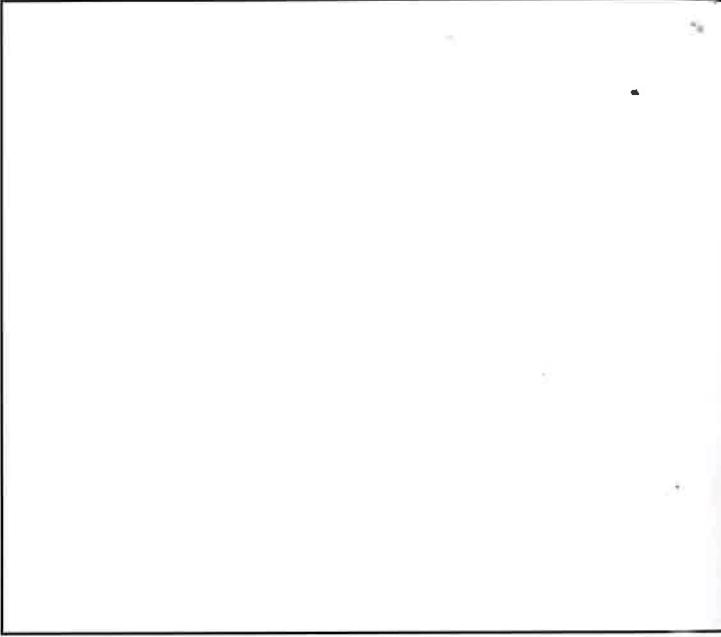
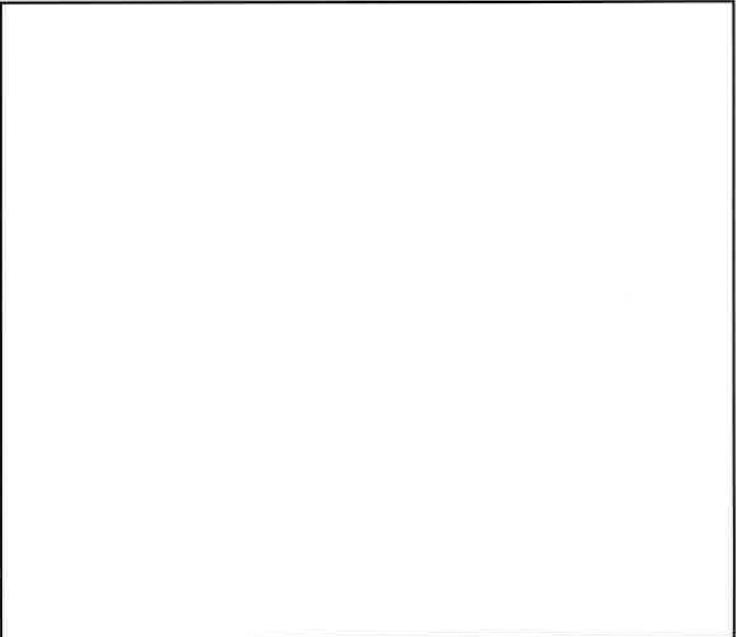


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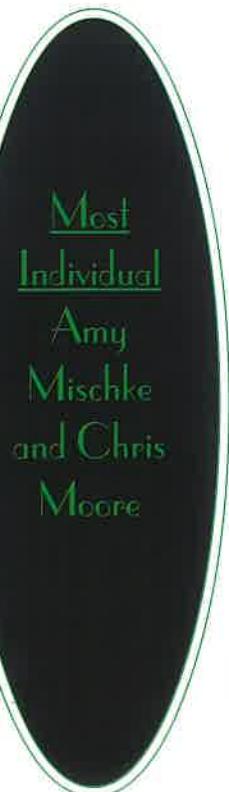
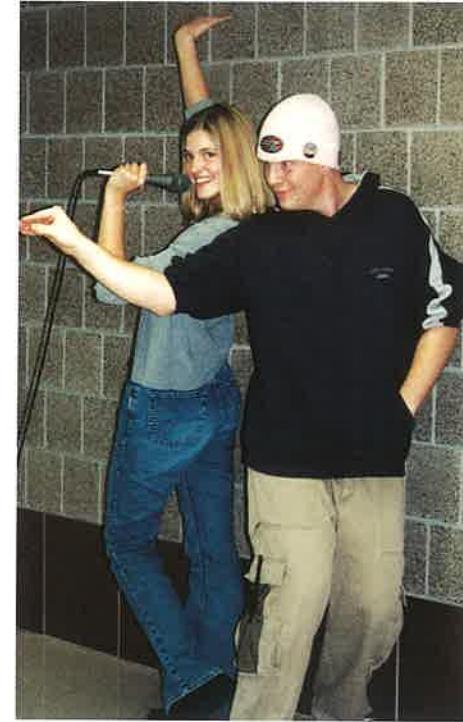
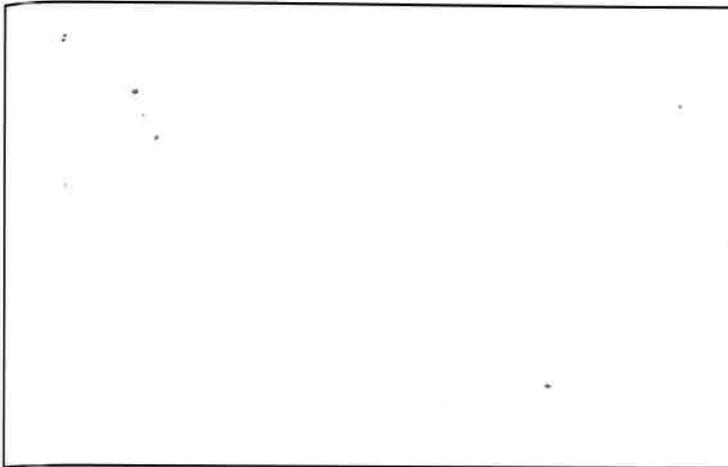
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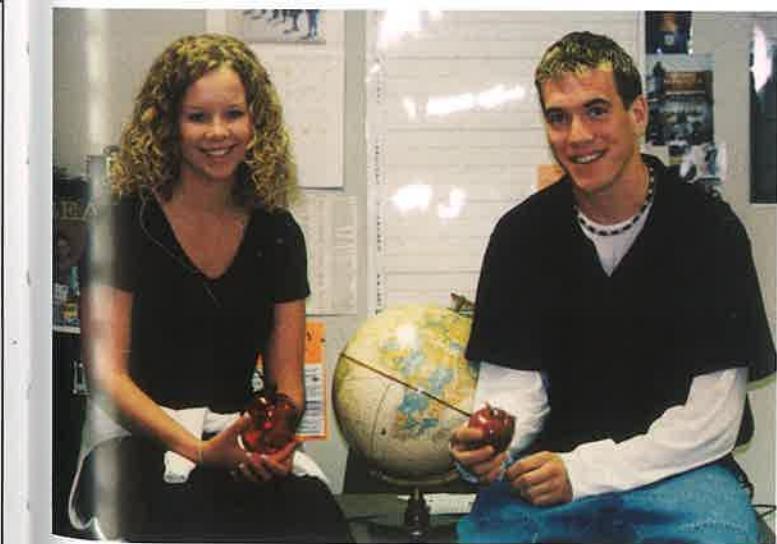
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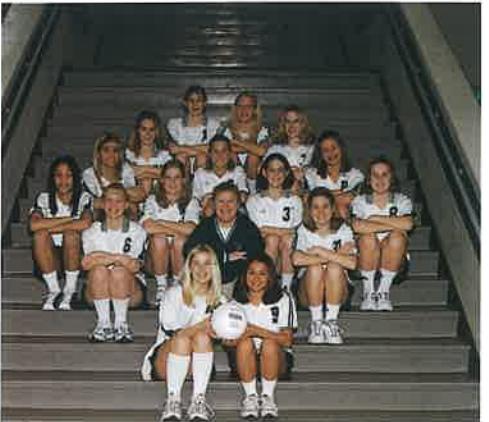
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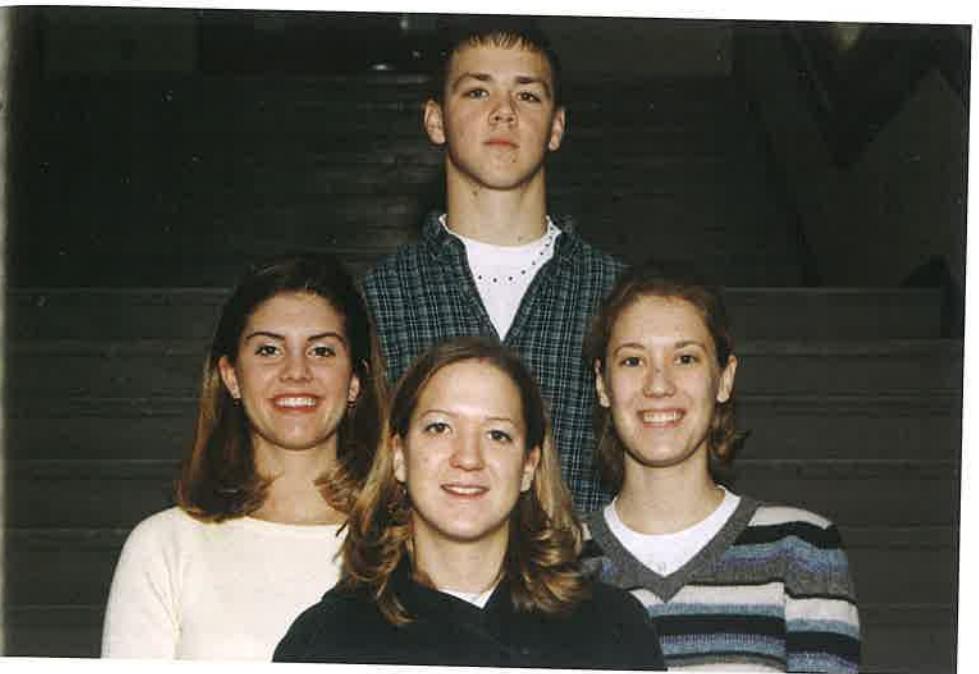


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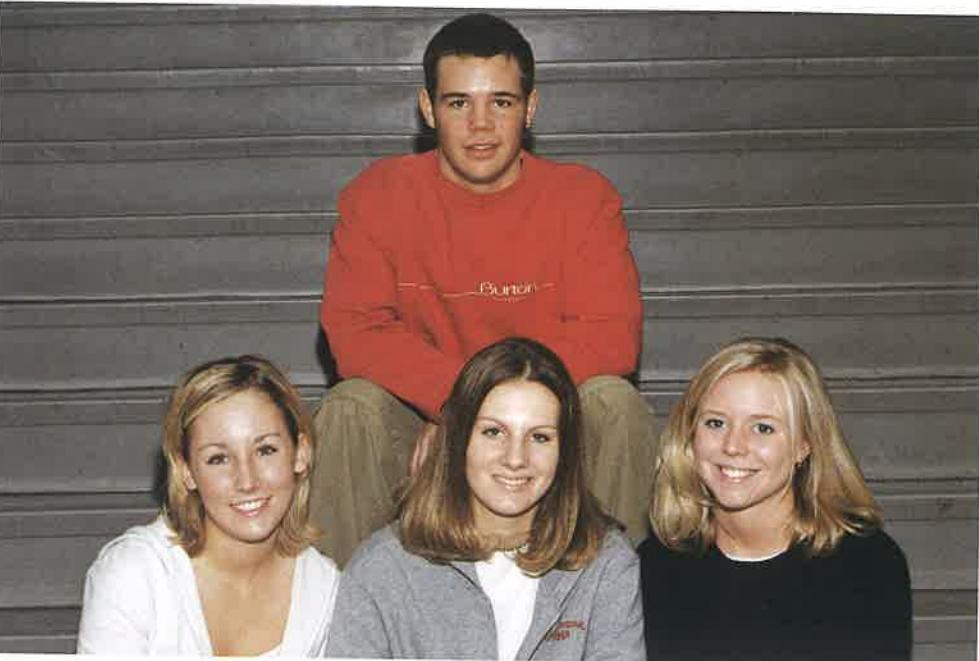
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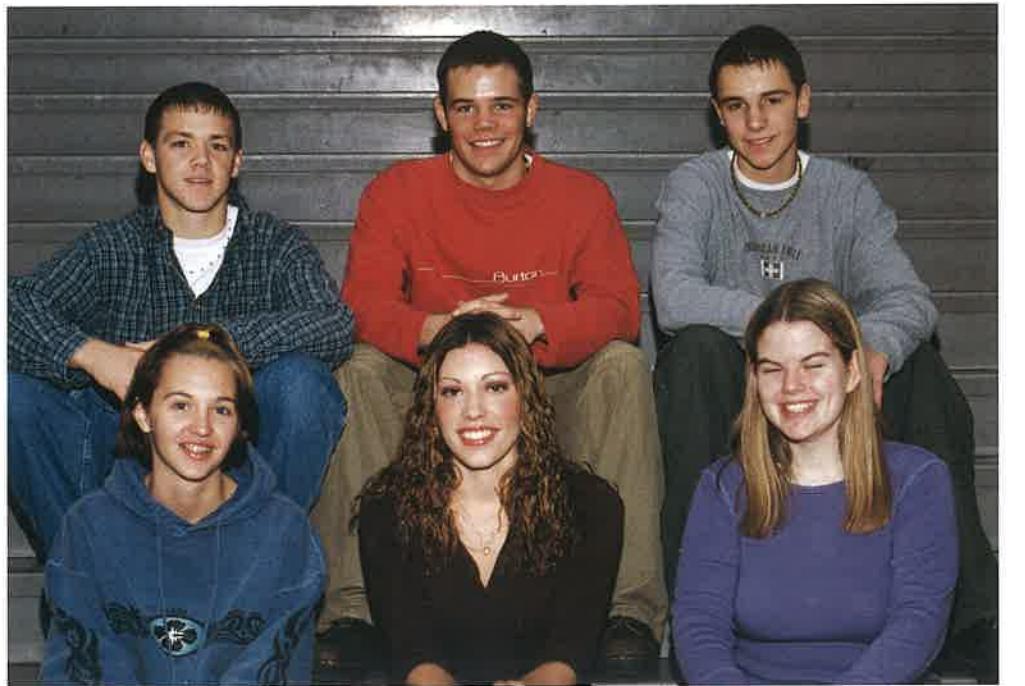
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