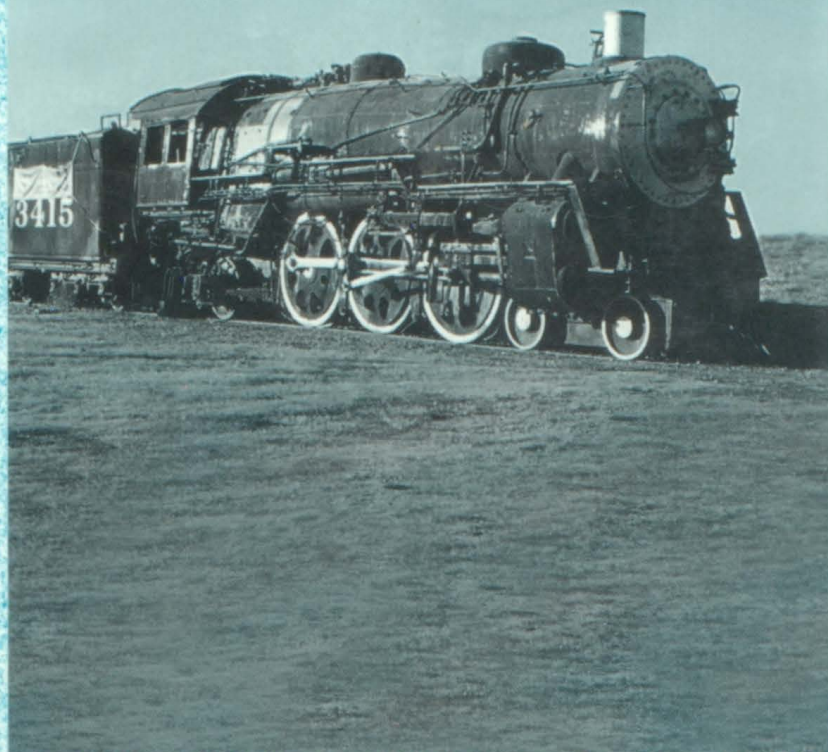


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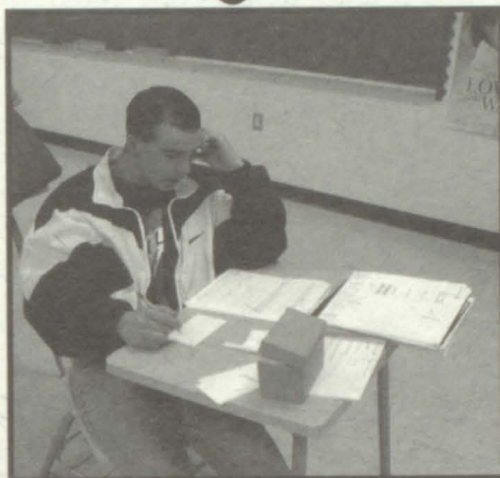
Sophomore Emily Edmonds performs to the Spice Girls during air-band competition. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



Members of the varsity basketball team listen to Coach Chris Rorabaugh during a timeout. (Photo by Ellis Review)

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Senior Wade Pfannenstiel works on his research paper during English IV. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

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Ellis High School



Twenty-one years ago the new Ellis High School opened its doors. Students, faculty, administrators and staff had to make the big adjustment without any instructions to guide them. Secretary Mrs. Dorothy Waldschmidt recalled what it was like moving from the old school. "It was a big adjustment but really an exciting time for everyone. It was exciting for the students too; they got to come into a new school and have their surroundings completely changed." (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

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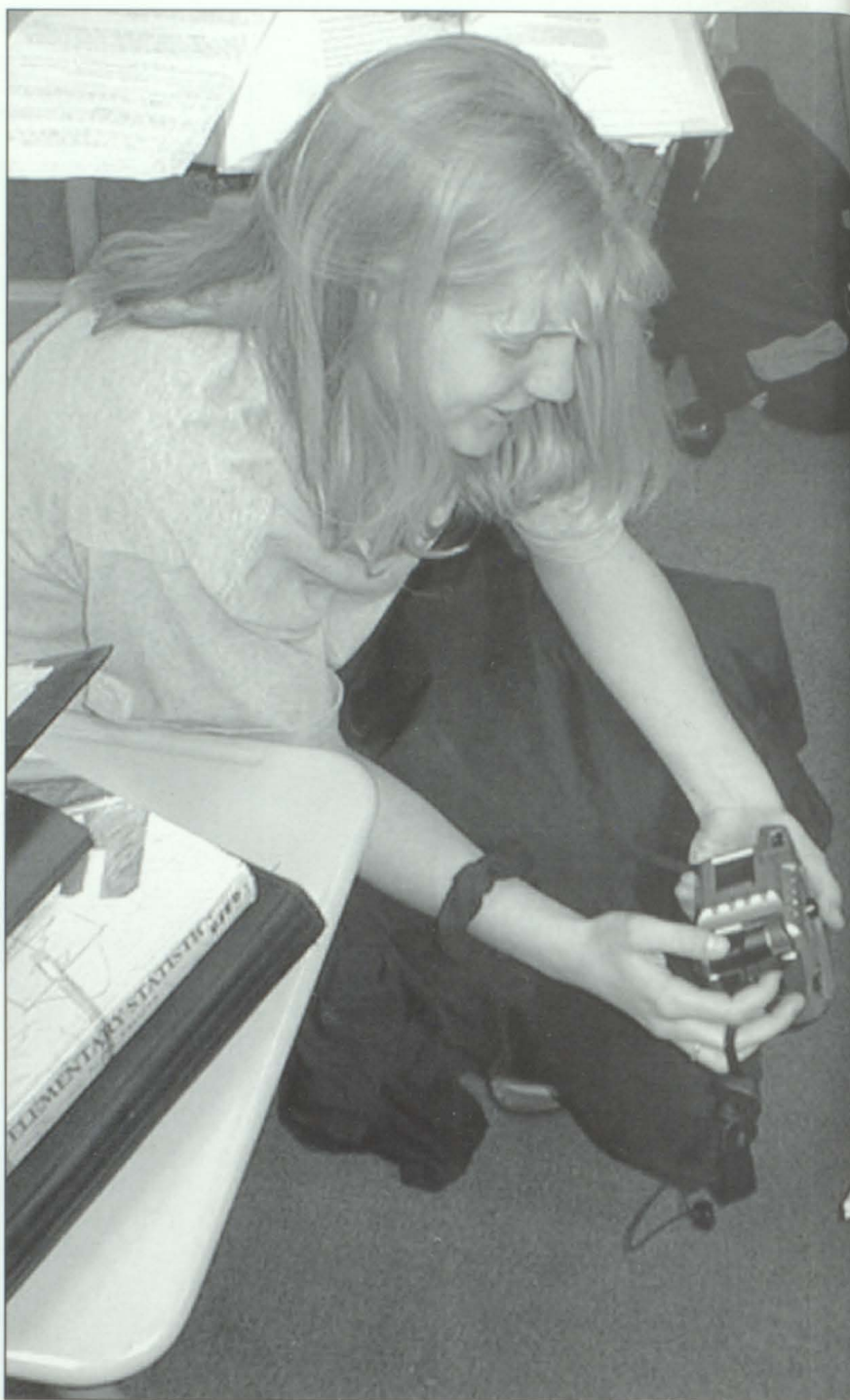
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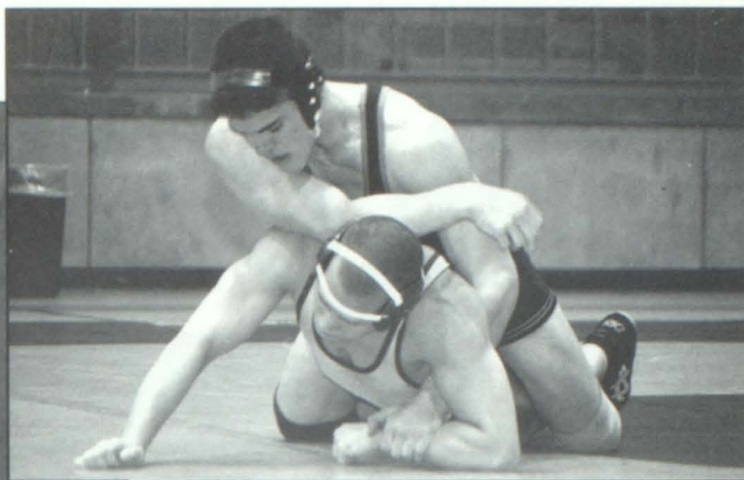
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students go through the year getting numerous instructions from teachers and others around them. These instructions are sometimes as simple as how to get homework in on time or as difficult as how to find solutions to the problems of the world. However, as students have learned, people around them

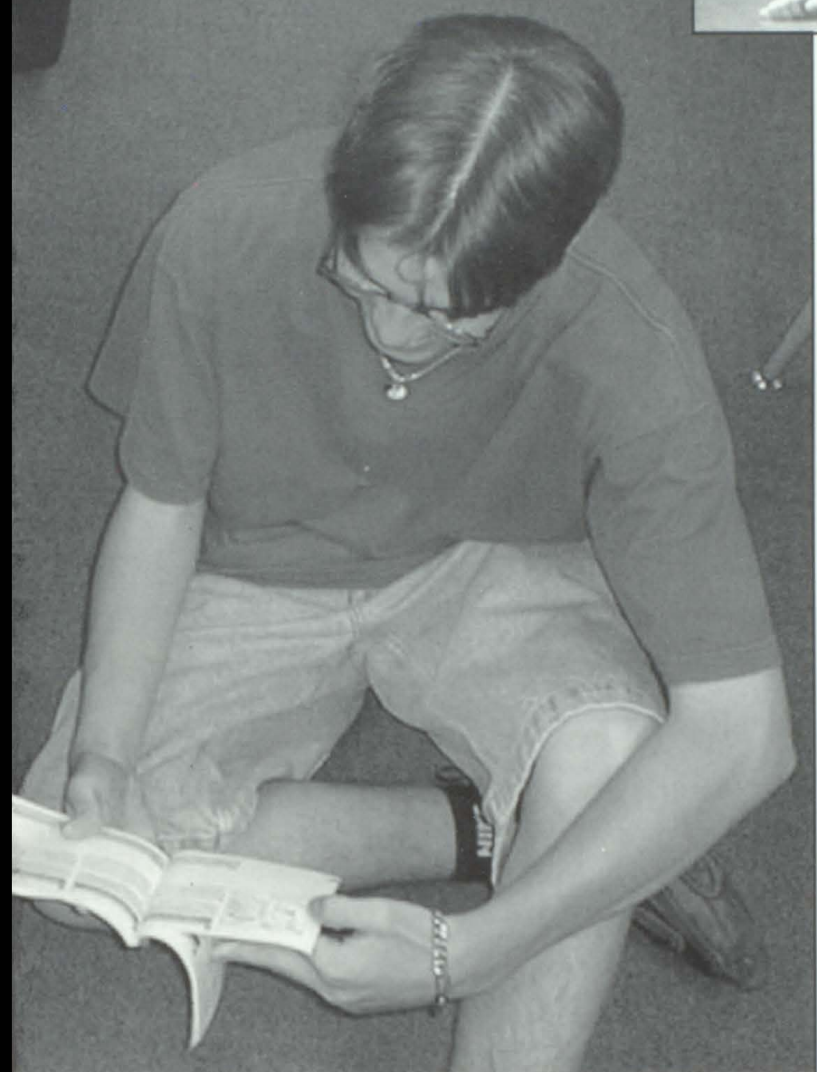
can't provide them with instructions for certain things such as getting through finals week, finding what to wear, asking people to dances, coming in second and even winning big. Sometimes students have to learn by themselves by taking one day at a time because in life the name of the game is...





Brandon Pfeifer, sr., attempts to pin his Norton opponent at the Ellis Invitational. Pfeifer placed second at state his sophomore, junior and senior years. (Photo by Micah Zachman)

Freshmen Brandi Lang and Sam Shubert read the instructions on how to operate the school's new digital camera. This was the school's second digital camera purchase. A second camera was needed due to the journalism class taking more pictures for the yearbook. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



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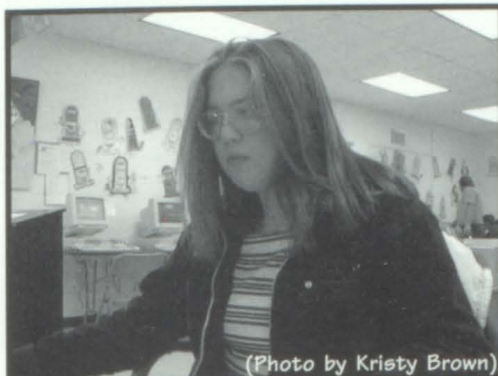
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Concentration.

Junior Terri Kroeger concentrates on staying tight as Seniors Kristy Brown, Tara Keller and Kizmin Rorabaugh and Sophomore Molly Honas hold her up in a full liberty, while Sophomores Christy Kinderknecht, Raleen Fisher and Kim Bieker spot her during boys' sub-state action held in Hill City. Throughout the year, the EHS cheerleaders cheered for football, volleyball, basketball and wrestling, held a Pee Wee Cheer camp and performed during halftime of many games. (Photo by Ellis Review)



Although EHS students have school, homework and part-time jobs to fill many hours of their days, many still think they are not involved in enough or have enough to do so they become involved in a variety of other school activities. If it isn't volleyball, basketball, wrestling or track, then it could be forensics, stuco, kayettes or band that give



(Photo by Kristy Brown)

"Being in activities other than sports like kayettes and choir gets you more involved in school, and it also helps you meet many new friends."

Jamie Bieker, SR

"Since this is my first year in this school, being involved in sports has helped me get to know the other kids in the school and make many new friends."

Geoffrey Andrews, JR



(Photo by Kristy Brown)

students the satisfaction of knowing they are doing something worthwhile with their time, while also learning valuable lessons that mirror life. Each one of the activities at EHS teaches

something that could be used many times throughout a person's life: how to be a good loser but also how to be a good winner. There are no instructions on how to be the best competitor, so when EHS students get involved in school activities, they just have to ...

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REALLY tough *strides*

Gaining a new coach, losing teammates and participating with an inexperienced team were only a few things to which the 1997-98 cross country team had to adjust.

Having a new coach meant new methods of training and sometimes more difficult practices, but it also required some runners to adjust from the previous year's experience.

"Coach Irwin prepared us well for our meets by having us run more at practices than any other year," said Junior Jessica Yanda.

The team came face to face with another adjustment: they lost teammates. The season started with ten runners and ended with only five.

"Losing teammates is always difficult to deal with, but we didn't let it bring us down," said Freshman Suzie Shepherd.

Instead, the team strived to reach their own personal goals. They progressed through the season, but their goals were made more difficult due to the bad weather at regionals.

Arriving at the meet, the anxious runners were greeted by a course filled with mud, slush and puddles.

"The last cross country meet was cool because of the snow. I wish it would have snowed during all of our meets because I loved watching the other competitors bite it on the course. Overall, the season went pretty well," said Senior Craig Honas.

... Kizmin Rorabaugh

JUST FOR THE RECORD

•Best Times:

Craig Honas: 18:09.

Jessica Yanda: 17:56.

Vicki Solomon: 16:49.

Derek Schoenthaler: 18:01.

Suzie Shepherd 14:26.

•Craig Honas, Derek Schoenthaler and Suzie Shepherd participated in two fall sports.



Junior Jessica Yanda strides ahead of the rest during the cross country meet at Ellis. Yanda was a two year varsity runner. "My basic plan for the year was to decrease my times at each meet and finish the season with my best overall time," said Yanda. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

Running Wild

Cross country is definitely one of the coolest sports. Inside jokes filling the air with laughter, creating new friendships throughout the season and coach's driving techniques were all part of our crazy adventure. However, our best experience came during regionals. The course covered in snow aided us in our plans to sabotage other runners during the race. Of course we never carried the plans through, but it was fun just joking about them. After our races, we built a snowman. Everyone laughed at it, but suprisingly no one knocked it over!

... Suzie Shepherd



Senior Craig Honas gives his serious look while getting his picture taken. Honas was the only senior cross country runner to complete the season. "It was really difficult to balance between football and cross country, but the running improved my physical game in football," said Honas. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

ALWAYS **new** *goals*

In 1991, the Ellis high school football team celebrated their goal of a 6-3 record; in 1997, the Rainers match that record again.

It was a long, grueling season, but the football team survived successfully. With each win came the hope and hunger for more; with the few losses came the will to strive for the lead. All of the practices in the rain, mud and heat finally paid off at the end.

"There was no better way to finish my senior year of football by getting this record. It was an honor knowing that we tied for the best Railer football record," said Jamie Kohl, sr.

The football season was memorable, but all things must come to an end. The seniors must leave the past and look forward to the future. High school football will remain just a memory.

"I think my most memorable moment from football was all of the barriers we broke through during the season that no other football team had done in the past for Ellis. Oh yeah, and when the locker room flooded with sewer water after the Stockton game," said Craig Honas, sr.

Achieving this record was also a great experience for the underclassmen players. Tasting sweet victory was a great way to start out high school football, and not many get that honor.

"It's been great to be a part of this team. I thought that this season went pretty well. It feels great to have tied the best record in Ellis High School football," said Tyler Watson, fr.

The future football players face a new challenge, whether they can beat this record.

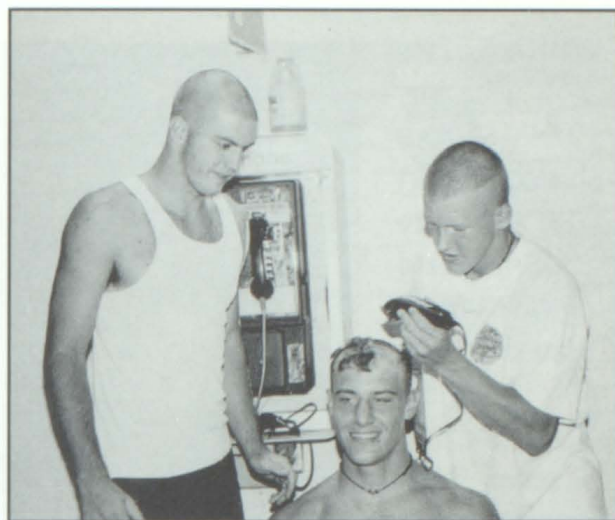
...Terra DeMars

Senior players hike the ball. Row 1: Craig Honas, Rudy Fink, Aaron Wade, Brandon Pfeifer, Robert Sandlin, P.J. Waldschmidt and Josh Luea. Row 2: Jamie Kohl, Craig Amrein, Chris Mickelson and Michael Shepherd. Sixty-one percent of the senior guys participated in a fall sport. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



JUST FOR THE RECORD

- The Railers ended with a 6-3 season.
- Eight Seniors were named to the MCL all-league team. They were Craig Honas, Rudy Fink, Jamie Kohl, Josh Luea, P.J. Waldschmidt, Craig Amrein, Brandon Pfeifer and Chris Mickelson.
- Coach Faulkender resigned as head football coach.



Jamie Kohl, sr., carefully shaves Senior P.J. Waldschmidt's head as Robert Sandlin, sr., watches. Six football players shaved their heads in front of Total. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

Lookin' Good

At the beginning of the football season, six players shaved their head because it was thought to be a good luck charm for the entire team. These six players were Seniors Craig Amrein, P.J. Waldshmidt, Jaime Kohl, Robert Sandlin, Aaron Wade and freshman Clint Amrein.

...Robert Sandlin, sr.



The Ellis football team runs out to face the visitors, enjoying the last year with their coach. "He taught all of us to play like a man and to never quit. He knew how to coach a team, and he did. Thanks, Coach Faulkender," said Jr. LaBarge, so. (Photo by Heidi Schmidt)

With Railer fans watching, Seniors Shannon Befort and Kristy Brown and Junior Wendy Hauschild wait for the opponent's serve. "Next year is going to be a challenge because this year's seniors led the team," said Hauschild. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)



Falling Out

I started the volleyball season out right with high expectations for myself as well as for the team. As a team, we started out great, and then the next thing I knew, my season was over. By just one little accident over the weekend, the one thing I loved best was ruined. I tore ligaments in my foot, which put me in a cast and on crutches for eight weeks. It was the worst thing that could ever happen to me my senior year.

... Shannon Befort, sr.



The six senior volleyball players pose for their long awaited picture. Top to bottom: Kizmin Rorabaugh, Betsy Bartlett, Aaron Eaton, Kristy Brown, Heidi Schmidt and Shannon Befort. Combined, the seniors had 36 years of volleyball experience, which started in seventh grade. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

ALWAYS **high** *hopes*

Expectations for the 1997-98 EHS volleyball team fell short of reaching their season goals but succeeded in maintaining team unity.

Although the team finished the season with a record of 5-22, they never quit playing as a unit. One way the varsity team kept hopes elevated throughout the season was by wearing Nike headbands and knee-high socks.

"This year we really stayed together as a team and tried not to get down on each other," said Kizmin Rorabaugh, sr.

Toward the end of the season, hopes became lower, but togetherness as a team shined through.

"The lack of confrontations between players made the season unique," said Coach Robert Young.

This team unity, though it did not produce a stellar record, did generate memorable moments.

"One of my most memorable moments was when we watched Heidi (Schmidt) and Aaron (Eaton) perform to 'The Right Stuff' by New Kids On The Block," said Betsy Bartlett, sr. "It was quite a sight to see."

... Amy Karlin

JUST FOR THE RECORD

- Honors were awarded to Sophomore Emily Edmonds for MCL all-league honorable mention.
- According to Coach Robert Young, this was the first year he has coached with no major team arguments.
- The Lady Railers ended the season with a record of 5-22.



Watching her teammates hustle for the ball, Brandi Dinkel, so., stays alert for the pass. Dinkel was one of the five sophomores who stepped up and played on the varsity team. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)

FINALLY **one** *squad*

For the first time ever, the thirteen EHS cheerleaders formed one varsity squad, eliminating separate junior varsity and wrestling squads for the 1997-98 school year.

"It's a lot different than last year because every cheerleader has to cheer for every sport, not just one or two particular sports like last year," said Captain Kristy Brown, sr.

This change for the cheerleading squad was decided upon during the 1997-98 try-out session. Because of the shortage of girls trying out for the three different squads, it was decided to have all the girls qualifying as a cheerleader be on the same squad.

To qualify as a cheerleader the girls had to pass a written test, perform in front of a panel of judges and have a teacher evaluation.

"I think try-outs for the younger girls was a lot easier this year than in the past, because we didn't have to try out in front of the student body," said Terri Kroeger, jr. "But for the older girls, I don't think it really made a difference since we tried out so many times."

...Heidi Schmidt

JUST FOR THE RECORD

- Natalie Waldschmidt was selected as an All-American Cheerleader by the NCA cheerleading staff.
- Throughout the 1997-98 school year the cheerleaders cheered at approximately 66 events.
- Kristy Brown gave each cheerleader a pom pon bag for Christmas at the cheerleading Christmas dinner.



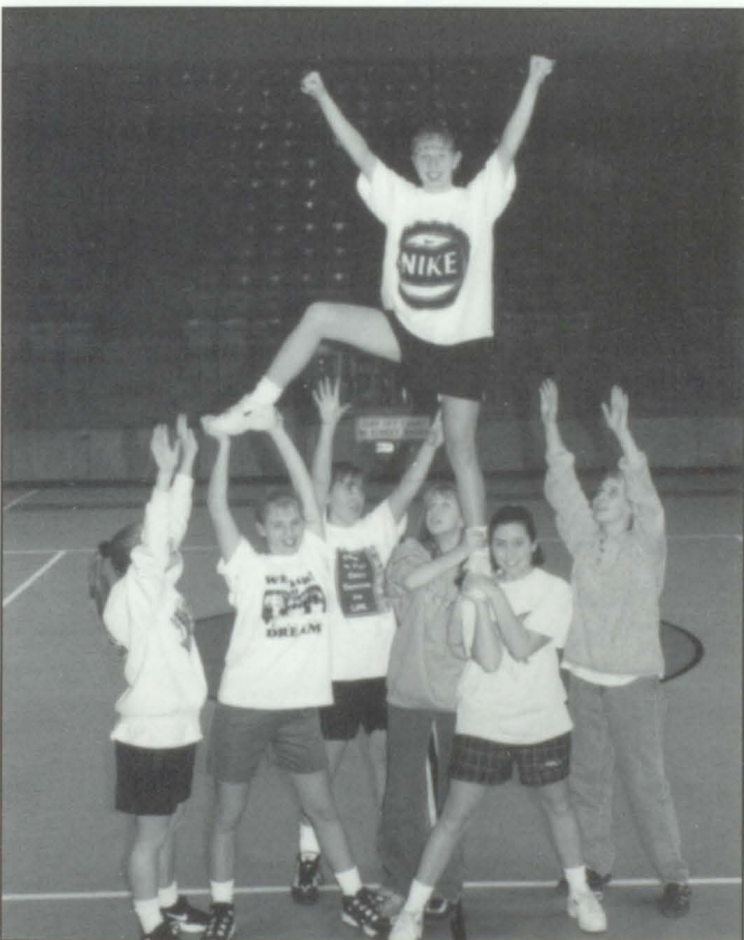
1997-98 Senior Cheerleaders: (counterclockwise from top) Tara Keller, Suzy Kohl, Kizmin Rorabaugh and Kristy Brown. (Photo by Pioneer Photography)



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Cheerleaders: Row 1: Christy Kinderknecht,so.; Denise Augustine,fr.; and Krista Kohl,fr. Row 2: Molly Honas,so.; Suzy Kohl,sr.; Raleen Fisher,so.; Tara Keller,sr.; and Suzie Shepherd,fr. Row 3: Kim Bieker,so.; Terri Kroeger,jr.; Kristy Brown,sr.,captain; Kizmin Rorabaugh,sr.; and Natalie Waldschmidt,fr. (Photo by Pioneer Photography)

Kim Bieker, Denise Augustine, Krista Kohl and Raleen Fisher spot as Christy Kinderknecht and Molly Honas hold Suzie Shepherd in a hitch at cheerleading practice. "At every practice we made sure someone was always spotting every stunt to prevent injuries," said Raleen Fisher,so. Cheerleading practice was held every Wednesday after school for approximately 45 minutes.(Photo by Kristy Brown)



Barely losing

Cheering for the MCL basketball championship was the most exciting game I cheered for this year. It was very close the whole game with a few points difference. Then during the fourth quarter, Hill City gained a big lead, and we could never catch up. We had a really big crowd at Gross Memorial which made the game even better. The whole crowd was excited and cheered throughout the game even when we were down. Even though the boys lost their first game of the season, it was still a great effort. The boys gave it their best shot and never gave up.

...Kim Bieker,so.

Seniors Craig Honas, Michael Shepherd, Robert Sandlin and P.J. Waldschmidt take off to set up their offense while Senior Chris Mickelson dribbles down the court during the MCL Tournament held at Gross Memorial Colosseum in Hays. The team took second place in the tournament after they defeated Stockton and Norton and then lost to Hill City in the championship game. (Photo by Ellis Review)



TRULY hard work

When coach Chris Rorabaugh started the 1997-98 basketball season, he knew he needed to keep motivation high on his team, even though they were a state ranked team.

To keep this motivation high, he wanted to start something to reward his players for playing well in a game so he started the motivational charts.

These motivational charts were started to spark interest in the special areas of the game: rebounds, assists, defense and shooting percentage. A chart for each player was hung outside of the locker room, and after each game, stickers were awarded to the players with a certain number of rebounds, assists, defensive recoveries, taking charges and shooting percentage from the floor and from the free throw line. Also, after each win, all players that suited up for that game were given a win sticker.

"The purpose of these charts was to get a player to recognize the importance of and reward them for rebounding, making assists, playing defense and taking high-percentage shots," said Rorabaugh.

Even though some players finished the season with over fifty stickers and some finished with fewer than ten, most players thought this was a good thing for the entire team.

"For some people, like the more serious players, the sticker charts were used for goal setting, but for some players, like me, I just wanted to see how many stickers I could get up on the board," said Junior Anthony Heroneme. "But overall, I think the sticker charts helped the team compete not only with each other, but with other teams as well."

... Kristy Brown

JUST FOR THE RECORD

- The Railers won the Ellis Round-Robin Tournament by defeating LaCrosse, Healy and Bazine.
- Senior Chris Mickelson was named to the KBCA all-state first team, Hays Daily News all-area first team team and MCL all-league first team. He also played in the KU vs. Hays Area All-Stars Barnstorming tour.
- Senior Craig Honas was named to the MCL all-league second team.
- The Railers ended the season with a 16-6 record.

1997-98 Senior Basketball players: Michael Shepherd, Robert Sandlin, Craig Honas, Chris Mickelson, P.J. Waldschmidt and Jamie Kohl. All six of the seniors also participated in a fall sport and a spring sport, along with other various school activities including stuco, FFA, National Honor Society, band, forensics and Railaires. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



Sophomore Jesse Leiker looks for the pass while being guarded by a Hill City defender. This was Leiker's first year on the team since he had to sit out his freshman year because of a broken leg. (Photo by Rachel Solomon)



Junior Caleb Becker shoots over a Palco defender during a home game. There were six seniors, six juniors, six sophomores and nine freshmen on the team. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

Holding Back

I believe we had a really great season. The MCL tournament was kind of a disappointment when we lost the championship game to Hill City by 12 points, but we still did really well as a team. Even though I only played for about a minute, it was still really awesome suiting up for the game and being part of the team by sitting on the bench. After we lost that game, I felt like going over to the Hill City bench and ripping all of their heads off. (just kidding)

...Chad Zerfas, jr.

Making their mark

The Lady Railers' basketball season came to a close March 2, 1998, when the Quinter Bulldogs posted a 54-36 first round class 2A sub-state win on their home court.

The Railers season record was 6-14.

"It has been a good season despite the losses. I saw improvement that others may over look, and I'm proud to have had the opportunity to work with these young ladies," said Coach Bob Young.

Statistically, during the 1997-98 basketball season, the Lady Railers accumulated 1049 points. Sophomore Emily Edmonds scored 430 of the total team points followed by LaTaya Bradstreet with 167 points.

The team pulled down 792 rebounds and 175 steals. Bradstreet lead the team with 127 rebounds while Edmonds lead with 79 steals. Senior Kizmin Rorabaugh tied the school record with 20 rebounds in one game and accumulated 118 the whole season.

Total assists for the team were 233 with Edmonds leading with 67. A record was set by Sophomore Anne Madorin who captured 9 blocks in one game and had 75 the whole season. The team held a total of 131 blocks.

"Although we were a young team this year, many of us plan to continue strengthening our skills to prepare for next season," said Edmonds. ... **Raleen Fisher**



Sophomore Emily Edmonds hustles to pick up a loose ball and shoot the lay-up. Edmonds led the Railers in scoring during her freshmen and sophomore years. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

Planning Ahead

Next season I see a great year ahead. Although the team will consist of mostly juniors, we work together and proved it with our third game against Victoria. There are also quite a few freshmen that will have to step up to help the varsity, and I know they will be able to face the challenge. As long as we show teamwork and dedication, we will have a wonderful season.

... Maren Smith, so.



Junior LaTaya Bradstreet shoots a lay-up during the pregame warm-up in the Ellis High School gymnasium. Bradstreet was the only junior on the basketball team and averaged a total of 8.4 points a game. "Being the only junior had its ups and downs. Next year I'll be the only senior, and I get to take on all the 'senior leadership' responsibilities. On the downside, I'm the only girl representing our class on the court," said Bradstreet. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

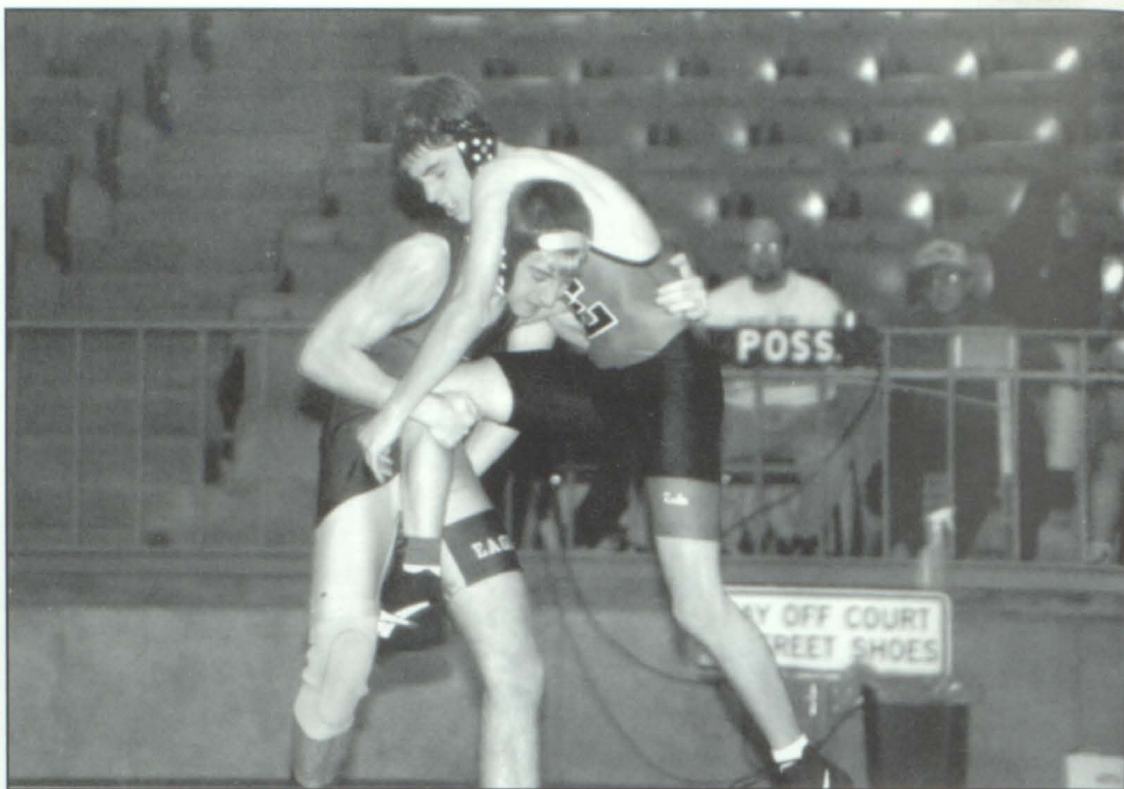


The 1997-98 basketball team consisted of three seniors: Kizmin Rorabaugh, Tara Keller and Betsy Bartlett. "Being a senior was good because we were the oldest but bad because it was our last year," said Keller. (Photo by Rachel Solomon)

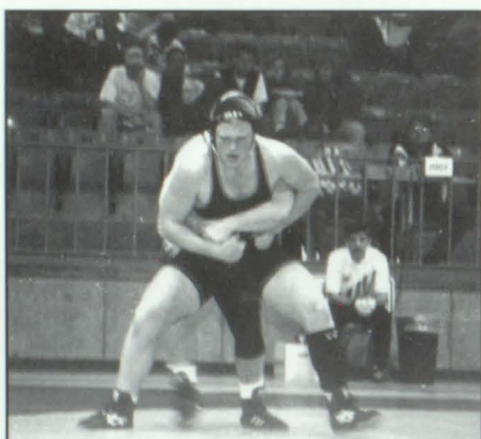
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- Sophomore Emily Edmonds was named to the all-state honorable mention team, all-area third team and MCL all-league second team.
- The Rainers season record was 6-14.
- Edmonds and Bradstreet broke the school's free throw percentage record and move to first and second on the list.

Freshman Matt Dinkel works to take his opponent down for two. Dinkel's older brother Casey was the head wrestling coach. "The wrestling season was awesome because I had a lot of fun. I didn't mind having my brother for a coach because he was nice and treated me the same as everyone else." (Photo by Micah Zachman)



Matt LaBarge, jr., tries to escape from his opponent. LaBarge's hard work paid off when he made it to state. (Photo by Micah Zachman)



JUST FOR THE RECORD

- All senior wrestlers qualified for state.
- The team was coached by new head and assistant coaches: Casey Dinkel and Kit Martin.
- Ellis High School hosted the regional wrestling tournament.

Thinking Back

There were many ups and downs to this year's 1997-1998 wrestling season. The major down this season would probably be when we did not get to go to the MCL Tournament and the Phillipsburg-Smith Center dual. Both these were cancelled due to rashes. But the major down for me was when I didn't get a medal at state. The major up was watching Matt Dinkel running at almost every weigh-in morning. I was glad it wasn't me this year. I feel it was a great season and the coaches did a wonderful job. I wish next year's team good luck.

... Aaron Wade, sr.

ALWAYS *a challenge*

The 1997-1998 wrestling season was full of changes and challenges for the team.

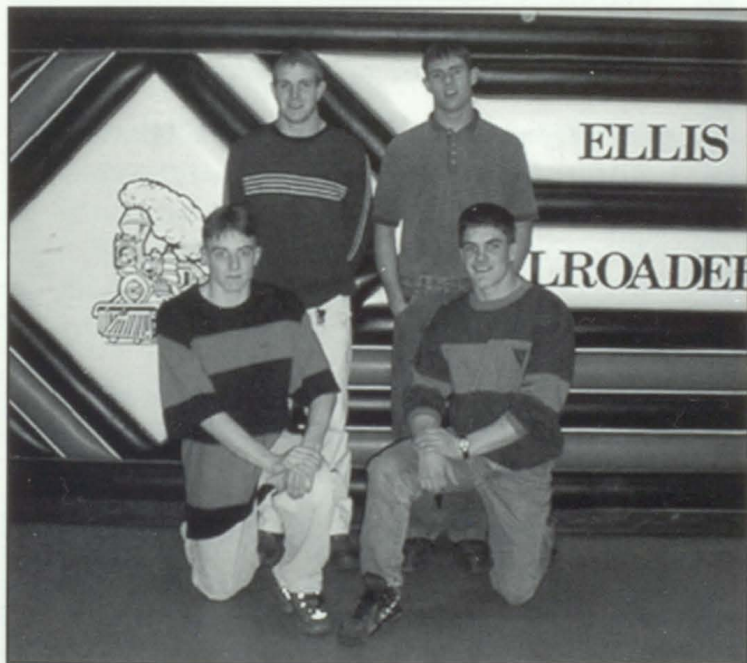
This year, five wrestlers, Seniors Craig Amrein, Josh Luea, Aaron Wade, Brandon Pfeifer and Junior Matt LaBarge, qualified for state. This number proves that the wrestlers overcame the challenges and changes that they were faced with and did not get discouraged.

"Sometimes I wondered if all those early morning and late night practices would pay off. When I made it to state, I knew that all of the work was worth it," said Brandon Pfeifer, sr.

Casey Dinkel, who was assistant coach last year, became head coach, and Kit Martin was the assistant coach. The new head and assistant coaches did not seem to be a problem for the team, though.

"I thought both the coaches were really helpful," said Chris LaBarge, so. "I learned a lot of new moves from them, and they helped me improve throughout the year."

...Micah Zachman



The senior wrestlers ended the season successfully when all four made it to state. Row 1: Aaron Wade and Brandon Pfeifer. Row 2: Josh Luea and Craig Amrein. "It was cool how the seniors got to begin and finish the season together," said Luea. (Photo by Micah Zachman)

TRULY good leaders

Seniors usually serve as role models for underclassmen and that was especially true for the '98 boys' track team.

The track team, led by eight seniors, placed in the top three in their first five meets. They continued to work hard and qualified five members for state competition where they placed ninth overall.

"It was a perfect ending to a great year. The seniors will be greatly missed next year; they showed a lot of leadership," said Mr. Jack Wolf, coach.

... Suzy Kohl

Senior Craig Honas makes high jumping look easy at the Ellis Invitational. Honas placed first in high jump at state by jumping 6-4. Honas participated in track for four years and went to state three of those years. He medaled his junior and senior years. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



Pulling Ahead

I have been in track ever since I was a freshman. I remember my first year I always looked up to the seniors and wanted to do as well as they did in their events. During the next three years, I noticed everyone else pulling ahead and getting better. I was getting better too, but I never noticed others looking up to me until close to the end of the season when people came up to me and told me I did a good job all four years of track.

... Rudy Fink, sr.



Seniors Aaron Wade, Jamie Kohl, Craig Amrein, Michael Shepherd, Rudy Fink and Craig Honas pose for their senior track picture on the football goal post. Seniors made up 62% of the boys' track team. Not pictured: Robert Sandlin and P.J. Waldschmidt. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

JUST FOR THE RECORD

- The 4X100m relay took fourth place at state with a time of 44.32. The team consisted of Tyler Watson, fr., P.J. Waldschmidt, sr., Jamie Kohl, sr., and Craig Honas, sr.
- With a 6-4 jump, Senior Craig Honas placed first at state in high jump.
- Michael Shepherd, sr., ran the 800m at state and placed fourth with a time of 2:02.03.
- Just two seconds behind Shepherd, Senior P.J. Waldschmidt place sixth at state in the 800m race.
- The track team placed ninth overall with a total of 19 points at the state competition in Wichita.



Brett Seibel, so., gets ready to pole vault at the Ellis Invitational. Seibel and Jonas Luea were the only sophomores on the team. The rest of the team consisted of one freshman, two juniors and eight seniors. (Photo by Ellis Review)

The 1998 track season was led by Seniors Kizmin Rorabaugh and Anita Weber. Rorabaugh was in track for all four years while Weber participated for three years. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



JUST FOR THE RECORD

- During the 1998 season 16 girls participated in track.
- There were fifteen lettermen for the Lady Railers and one provisional letter winner.
- The Railer girls won the Victoria Invitational with 116 points.
- The Railers scored 477 1/2 points during the season at seven meets.
- Emily Edmonds placed twelfth out of 14 competitors at state track in Wichita.

MOSTLY *new faces*

The Ellis High School girls' track team consisted of mainly all underclassmen in the 1998 season.

The team of 16 had two seniors and three juniors, while the rest were sophomores and freshmen.

"I was disappointed that not very many upperclassmen came out, but I was pleased with the effect of everyone as a team," said Coach Chris Rorabaugh.

The Lady Railers were led in points by Sophomore Emily Edmonds and Freshman Suzie Shepherd. The team competed strong at the smaller track meets but had difficulty competing in the larger meets.

At regionals, held in Hill City, Edmonds threw 32-7 1/4 inches in the shot put to qualify for state. A few girls fell just short of qualifying.

Given the talent of the underclassmen, however, the team should improve and in the future be very competitive.

"The freshmen have a lot of talent. When given a few years, they will be good leaders," said Anita Weber, sr.

... Paula Augustine

Hiding out

One day at track practice, Paula, Jill, Mandy, Krista, Anita and I were assigned to run mini shady. Trying to save energy and be sneaky, we cut through a few people's yards and ran into the woods. We made ourselves comfortable on rocks and hung out. Ten minutes later we headed back. Once we got back, Coach Rorabaugh called us over and asked us where we were. Little did we know Coach had driven around to make sure that we were doing what we were supposed to do. We lied to him anyway knowing that he knew we didn't run the whole mini shady. We have now learned our lesson; when you cheat, you eventually get caught!

...Terri Kroeger, jr.



Freshmen Natalie Waldschmidt, Danielle Honas and Suzie Shepherd watch the long jump competition at the Ellis Invitational. Waldschmidt and Shepherd received their first year letter, and they both ran the distance races.(Photo by Micah Zachman)



Sophomore Emily Edmonds strides over a hurdle at the Victoria Invitational. Edmonds ran the 100 m hurdles, triple jumped, threw shot put and was the last leg for the 4x100 meter relay. (Photo by Ellis Review)

During practice, Senior Josh Luea works on his putting to prepare for the next meet. Luea was a four-year member of the golf team. (Photo by Ellis Review)



Sophomore Tyler Fisher takes a closer look at his aim, while Sophomore Travis Keller waits for the signal to remove the pin. Fisher was the only sophomore on the varsity team. (Photo by Ellis Review)



Learning fast

Being the youngest member on the varsity golf team had its advantages and disadvantages. The only advantage I can think of is when I played well, I got a chance to rub it in. There were many disadvantages of being the youngest. It started out that I had to sit in front of the suburban. I finally decided that I would wake up earlier and make someone else sit up there. Well, the plan worked great until I started receiving wet willies on both sides. I quickly learned to go with the flow and do what they wanted me to.

...Tyler Fisher, so.



Senior Eric Schuster takes a practice swing before teeing off on hole number one. This was Schuster's first year on the varsity team, and he participated in the state tournament. (Photo by Ellis Review)

FINALLY *a champion*

The Ellis Railer golf team ended a fantastic season at the state tournament on May 26.

A score of 311 tied the Railers with Syracuse, who was awarded first place based on a better fifth-man score.

Seniors Chris Mickelson and Brett Neumann, who were individual medalists at every invitational during the '98 season, also led the team at state.

Mickelson captured the first place honor at state while Neumann placed eleventh.

"The day before the state tournament during our practice round, I felt I had a good chance of winning because I was hitting the ball well. I also knew where I had trouble on the course," said Mickelson.

At the end of the second round, Mickelson, with a score of 71, had tied for first place. To determine the championship, Mickelson and his opponent competed in a sudden-death playoff.

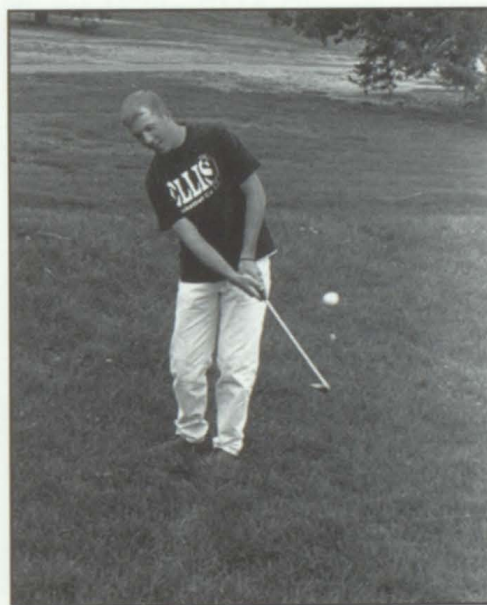
On the first hole, Mickelson sunk a 20-foot birdie putt to become the first person from Ellis to win a state golf title.

"I'm very proud of Chris. It is something he has worked hard for and he deserved to win the state title," said Coach John Kolacny.

...Raleen Fisher

JUST FOR THE RECORD

- Sophomore Tyler Fisher hit a hole-in-one at the regional golf tournament in Ellis.
- The Ellis six-man team won the regional championship title.
- The Ellis six-man team placed second at the state tournament.



Senior Chris Mickelson chips the ball out of the rough. Mickelson placed at the state tournament all four years and also at every meet his junior and senior years. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

SIMPLY **new** *ideas*

FHA and FFA decided to try something new for their national weeks during February, and it worked.

FHA and FFA combined National FHA and FFA week together for the first time, and both organizations were allowed to experience each of the club's different events. FHA members were allowed to attend the FFA breakfast, while the FFA members were invited to listen to a speaker on date rape and violence sponsored by FHA.

"It was unique this year because they combined FHA and FFA activities for the national week. I think it brought the organizations together," said FHA President Crystal Augustine, jr.

The week was full of events for FHA and FFA members. The week kicked off by having hat and pin day on Monday. FFA members wore their favorite work or ag cap, while FHA members wore pins made by Augustine. Tuesday, FFA held its annual breakfast. FFA and FHA officers cooked and served the members of the two organizations. Thursday, both FHA and FFA members listened to a speaker. In conclusion to the week, FFA wrapped up their trivia contest and their soybean contest, which members of both organizations guessed how many soybeans were in a gallon jar. Sophomore Riley Deutscher won the contest.

...Rachel Solomon

Sophomore Travis Keller and Junior Matt LaBarge cook bacon during the FFA annual breakfast. The breakfast was one of the many activities FFA did this year.

(Photo by Heidi Schmidt)



Juniors Amanda Kuhn, Crystal Augustine, Paula Augustine and Gypsy Hilbrink show off their gifts at the FHA Christmas Party. Refreshments were served and games were played during the night. (Photo by Anita Weber)

Heidi Schmidt, sr.,
Micah
Zachman, sr.,
Crystal
Augustine, jr., and
Vicki
Solomon, so.,
serve Junior
Gypsy Hilbrink
during the FFA
breakfast. FHA
did a variety of
activities
including selling
monster cookies
and the FHA
banquet for
parents and
members. (Photo
by Linda Riedel)



Planning Ahead

During FHA and FFA week, I thought it was nice how both of the clubs worked well together to plan a week full of events. Both of the clubs' officers got together in advance and planned how the week was going to work. One of the changes for the week was instead of FFA officers just doing their breakfast, FHA officers participated in it. I was also impressed by the number of people who turned out for the breakfast and for the rest of the week. It's always nice to try something different for a change.

... Vicki Solomon, so.

JUST FOR THE RECORD

- Senior Brandon Pfeifer, Wade Pfannenstiel, sr., Preston Bollig, jr., and Derric Fuchs, fr., placed 2nd as a team in the poultry competition.
- "Dare 2 Dream" was the National and Ellis FHA Chapter theme.
- Pfannenstiel placed 2nd overall in Ag Mechanics.
- FHA had 46 members during the 1997-98 year.
- Travis Keller, so., placed 6th in the crops division.
- FHA projects included a Christmas party, cookie sales and a speaker during FHA and FFA week.
- FFA had 47 members during the 1997-98 school year.

Freshmen Kayettes hit the ground for initiation as Senior Kayettes yell "air raid." For initiation the freshmen dressed up as babies and were paraded around at a junior high football game. "Initiation was a fun experience that I will never forget," said Krista Kohl, fr. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



ALWAYS **new** *changes*

Kayettes and Stuco provided students the opportunity to have fun by holding more dances.

There were many changes at EHS; EHS still had Homecoming and Prom, but the Kayette formal was moved to April. In addition, Stuco sponsored two additional dances after Homecoming. Stuco held a Halloween dance in October which was sponsored by the city to give students an option other than cruising main. About 60 to 70 students attended the Halloween dance.

Stuco also sponsored a Christmas dance because of the long break between Homecoming and Spring Formal. About 50 to 60 students attended this dance.

"I thought it was good for Stuco to host a dance. It provided mid-year entertainment," said Gypsy Hilbrink, jr.

Snoball, which was renamed Spring Formal because it was moved to the spring, had its advantages and disadvantages. One advantage was every Kayette member had to give full participation all year long because more points were needed to attend the dance. This gave the club the time to reflect on what was really important: the service that it provided. One disadvantage of moving Spring Formal was it was only about four weeks apart.

"Spring Formal being moved was good because it provided us time to help out more with projects, but it was so close to prom," said Amber Keller, so.

...Paula Augustine

Having Fun

I found the joke off of the internet, but I decided to change the ending to make the joke more original. I won a \$10 gift certificate to the Mall Cinema.

The joke: A guy walked down a street. He found a lamp and of course, he rubbed it. A genie came out and said, "I'll grant you three wishes, but whatever you wish for, your mother-in-law gets twice that." 1st wish: I would like 5 million dollars. The genie granted it, but his mother-in-law got 10 million dollars.

2nd wish: I would like a 10 bedroom mansion. The genie granted it, but his mother-in-law got a 20 bedroom mansion. He decided to think carefully about his last wish. Finally he said to the genie, "I wish that you would beat me with a shovel."

... Brett Neumann, sr.

Molly Honas, so., and Jamie Kohl, sr., pose for the camera as the devil and the grim reaper. At the Halloween dance, Aaron Wade dressed as Pee Wee Herman and won the prize for the best costume. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)



JUST FOR THE RECORD

- \$355.55 was earned from the Kayette food box auction.
- Brett Neumann won the Stuco Joke Contest.
- Ellis hosted the Kay Unit Conference.
- Pauleen Edmonds won the Stuco Valentine contest, while Heidi Schmidt received second and Crystal Augustine third.



1.2.3 Smile, Sophomore Debbie Wagoner and Junior Crystal Augustine gather to take a picture at the Stuco back-to-school bash. The bash was held on Aug. 18 at the park by the swimming pool and included volleyball, horseshoes, swimming and a barbeque. (Photo by Micah Zachman)

Junior Jessica Yanda performs her dramatic solo during Forensics Night. Her solo "Lucy Peale" portrayed a young girl that sinned against her evangelist father's will. The solo qualified for the state championships held in Wichita. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Sipping Silly

My first year in forensics was an experience in itself, but one memory involving a certain can of pop sticks out the most. Jesse Leiker was enjoying a root beer in between rounds. For no absolute reason, Kristi Weber tipped it in his face as he was taking a sip. Leiker returned the favor by squirting it in her face. It was hilarious.

... Lindsay Dorzweiler, fr.



The 1997-98 State and State Festival forensics qualifiers had 24 years combined acting experience. Row 1: Amy Saindon, jr., Aaron Eaton, sr., Jessica Yanda, jr., Kayci Weimer, fr., and Felicity Waldschmidt, fr. Row 2: Michael Shepherd, sr., Craig Honas, sr., Jesse Leiker, so., Aaron Wade, sr., and Travis Keller, so. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

REALLY **big** wagers



Senior Craig Honas seems to be on spin cycle as IDA pal Aaron Wade, sr., twirls him in the air. Honas and Wade placed second in IDA at the state level. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

It was "A Sure Bet" that the 1997-98 forensics team had another great year.

The team began the season with a handful of chips, a few quarters and one slot machine. These three symbols carried the performers throughout their months of ratings, rankings, qualifying, practicing and winning.

The first helpful component, the quarters, represented each person's potential talent. Each member was given the same number of quarters and two choices of what to do with them: keep only what was given to them or build on and collect more quarters (talent). The chips became ambition for the performers and helped to push them toward their goals.

"My goal this year was to make it to state. Just wanting to go made it that much easier to work harder in order to make it there," said Amy Saindon, jr.

After competing in each tournament, members were awarded quarters and chips depending on how they ranked at the tournament. The winnings were then used to decorate their slot machines.

"With as many participants as we had this year, we expected to qualify more than we did, but overall the season ended well," Kim Bieker, so.

... Kizmin Rorabaugh

JUST FOR THE RECORD

- Seniors Craig Honas and Aaron Wade placed second at state championships.
- Ten forensic members competed in Wichita at the state championships.
- Three forensic members competed at the state festival.



Tyler Fisher, so., Brad Schoenthaler, jr., Jesse Leiker, so., and seniors Michael Shepherd, Craig Honas, Aaron Wade and Rudy Fink practice their air-band skills on top of Wade's Bronco at the first cheerleading pizza party. Cheerleaders sponsored two pizza parties throughout the year. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

S

tudent Life

Ellis High School students spend about 290,000 minutes of their lives in school



(Photo by Suzy Kohl)

"The dances and Homecoming activities are the things I think I will remember most about high school; that's where most of my memories have come from."

Bobbie Jo Weber, SR

"It doesn't seem like we have a lot of dances during the school year. I think that is why they are the most memorable, because people make the most out of the ones we do have."

Joe Kreutzer, JR



(Photo by Suzy Kohl)

throughout four years. These minutes are occupied by thinking about assignments, planning the weekends, organizing activities, and even sleeping during a few classes. Students have many things to accomplish during these short minutes and no instructions to guide them through the days. Therefore, they sometimes need to...

**GO WITH THE
FLOW**





Senior class spirit is being shown during Homecoming week, in which the seniors placed first. "Homecoming week seemed more special this year because this was our last year," said Tara Keller, sr. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

Seniors Heidi Schmidt, Aaron Eaton and Micah Zachman give Brett Neumann, Michael Shepherd and Brandon Pfeifer a lift to their cars. Seniors set aside a Sunday afternoon to take various class pictures. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



“Q and A,”

by Suzy Kohl

If you had any advice to give to the freshmen, what would it be?

“Watch out for poison ivy and snakes!” warned Mrs. Riedel as some senior guys climb into a tree by Big Creek. Brett Neumann, Michael Shepherd, Robert Sandlin, Rudy Fink, Craig Honas, Aaron Wade, Brandon Pfeifer and Jeff Dorzweiler pose as characters from the novel *The Lord of the Flies*. The novel was read as an assignment for the English IV class. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



“Have fun while you can because the older you get, the more work you have to do. Get involved in school activities.”

Chris Mickelson, SR

“Think, speak and live for yourself. Don't let other people tell you what to do. Do what you believe and have your own opinion.”

Tara Keller, SR

“Stay out of seniors way. You'll want the same when you're a senior.”

Rudy Fink, SR

“Smile as much as you can, and always look at life from the up side.”

Betsy Bartlett, SR

“Don't blink; your high school years go by too quickly. Party, have fun and get involved now, or you'll regret it later. And take time to study once in awhile.”

Micah Zachman, SR

Libby- The sun rises in the east and sets in the west. But to us it rises and sets in you. Keep shining and light the world with your love, smile and success.

Love, Daddy, Mom
& Shane



Anita,

Congratulations
and good luck. We
hope all your
dreams come true.

Love,
Mom, Dad and
Kristi



Brandon- You've accomplished many goals, and we are proud of you. Keep on crawling higher to your future goals.

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Sheldon,
April, Jared,
Jordan, Jason, Beth,
Janelle & Matt



MICHAEL,

LET YOUR DREAMS BE YOUR
GUIDE. GOOD LUCK!

WE LOVE YOU,
DAD, JOE
AND SUZIE



MICAH,

Believe in yourself,
stay focused and
give your best.
The best will come
back to you!

Love,
Mom, Dad and
Amanda



BOBBIE

Look out
world;
here she
comes.

Go for it girl!

Love,
Mom,
Dad
and
Megan



Tara- In everything you do, we
are proud of you.



Love,
Mom,
Dad,
Todd and
Travis

RUDY--

We are proud of you!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Ernie,
Stephanie, Shannon
and Suzanne



RACHEL

Congratulations.
We are proud
of you, and we
love
you!

Love,
Mom, Dad &
Vicki



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Amy,
We're proud of
you!

We love ya,
Dad, Mom & Luke

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To a very special
daughter and sister:
May all your dreams
come true.

With love,
Mom, Dad, Shaun
and Scott



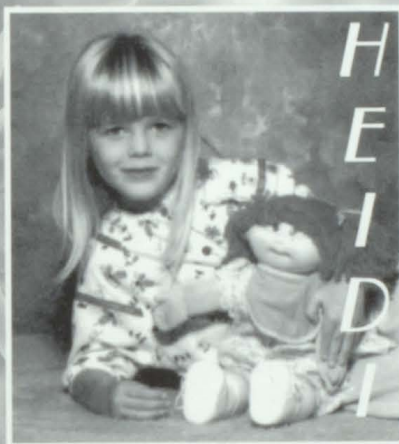
"Go for the
Gusto," Jen!

Love,
Mom, Dad,
Kim, Chris &
Nats

Jenny sr. '98

You've made us laugh
till we had tears in our
eyes, and we've shaken
our heads and wondered
why-but that's just our
Heidi. We wish you only
the best!

Love, Mom, Dad,
Ashley & Ty



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Good Luck, Jeff!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Eric
& Jeremy



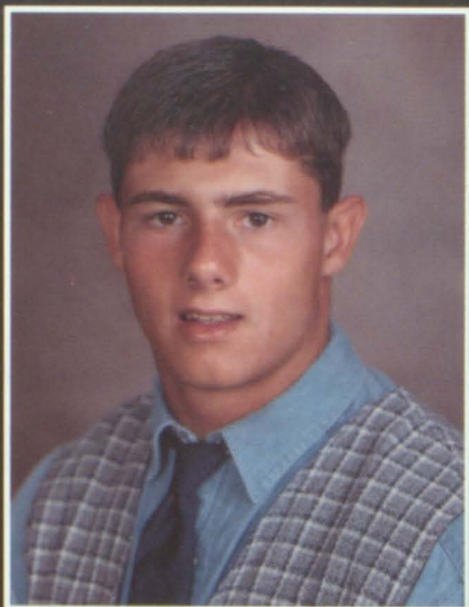
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GOOD LUCK TO YOU IN
WHATEVER YOU PURSUE.

WE LOVE YOU,
MOM, DAD,
JODY & WELSI



SUZY,
congratulations
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best wishes.

Love Always,
Mom, Dad, Bob
& Sandy



Craig Allen Amrein



Olivia Andrea Anderson



Betsy Kaye Bartlett



Shannon Renee Befort

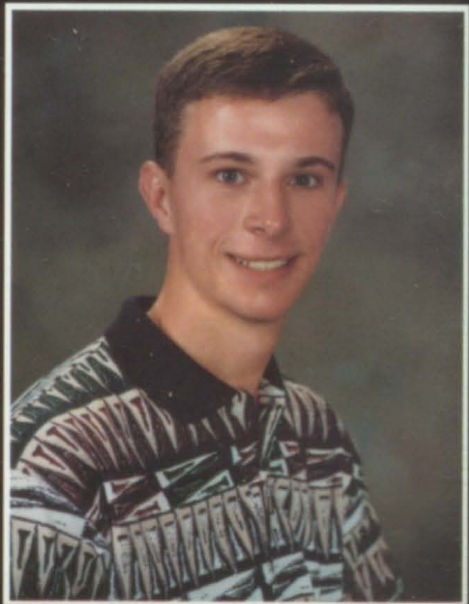


Jamie Marie Bieker



Kristy Lee Brown

Class of ... 98



Jeff Michael Dorzweiler



Aaron Elizabeth Eaton



Rudolph Tyson Fink



Craig Daniel Honas



Amy Marie Karlin



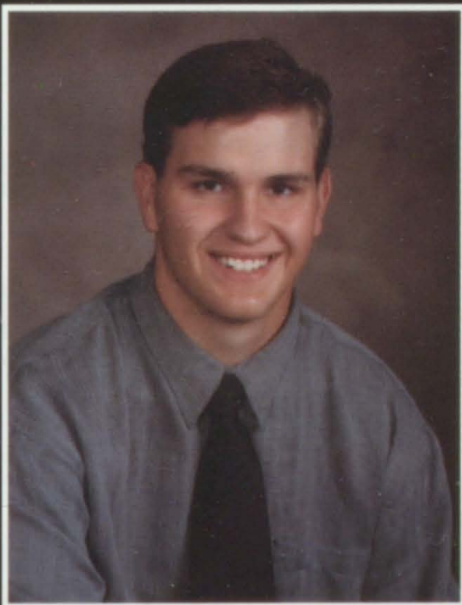
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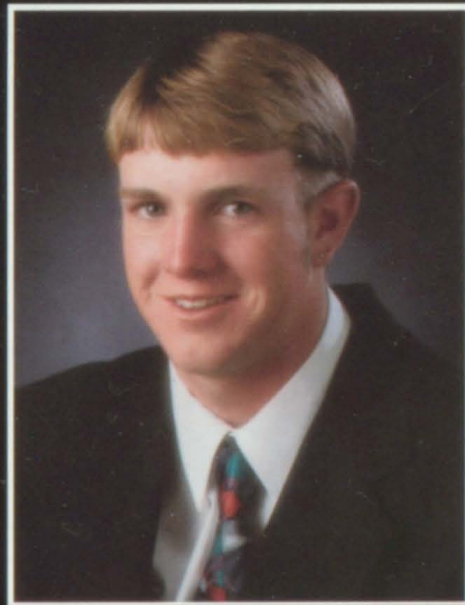
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Suzanne Kohl



Thomas Joseph Locker



Josh Eli Luea

KRISTY,

We are proud of you and love you.
Good luck with all that's ahead of
you.

We love you.
Mom, Keith,
Danielle & Lacey



AMANDA,

As you continue
your journey
through life,
remember to
aim high and
follow your
dreams.



Love,
Mom,
Eric &
Ryan

Aaron

To our favorite
daughter Ella May; we
love you and are very
proud of you.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Josh



JOSH,

**MAY ALL YOUR
DREAMS BE
FULFILLED. WE
ARE PROUD OF
YOU!**

**LOVE,
MOM, DAD &
ZACH**



Bets:

**Congratulations and
know that we all love
you. Be happy!**

Love,
Mom, Jenny, Pat,
Owen, Amy, Troy,
Lesley, Ryan & Ryley



Jamie,

Good luck in whatever
you do in the future.
We are proud of you
and love you.

Dad, Mom,
Krista & Randy



AARON-

From kindergarten
through senior, you've
always had a smile.
Congratulations and
good luck in the future.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Jessie



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Way to go, Gizmo!
We are proud of you.

Love,
Mom & Dad

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Who loves ya, **Shane?**
We do.

Dad, Mom,
Jake and Bart

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To our beautiful daughter,

Brook

We are so proud of you.
Live life to the fullest, and
be proud of who you are.
Best of luck. We all love you.

Your family,
Mom, Don, Dad & Melissa



"Hang Tough,
Chris."

Love ya!
Mom, Dad,
Brad and
Sam



BRETT,

Imagine...

Love,
Mom & Dad



Rob,

Always remember

- 1) You can achieve anything you set your mind to.
- 2) We're very proud of you.
- 3) Always be happy.

With love,
Mom, Chris, Jaime, Justin and Jaden



WADE,

Good luck in all you
do in the future!

Dad & Clint



LeAnne,

Congratulations.

Love,
Mom, Rich & Kayla



CRAIG,

"It's gonna be a bright,
bright, sunshiney future!!"
You make us proud!

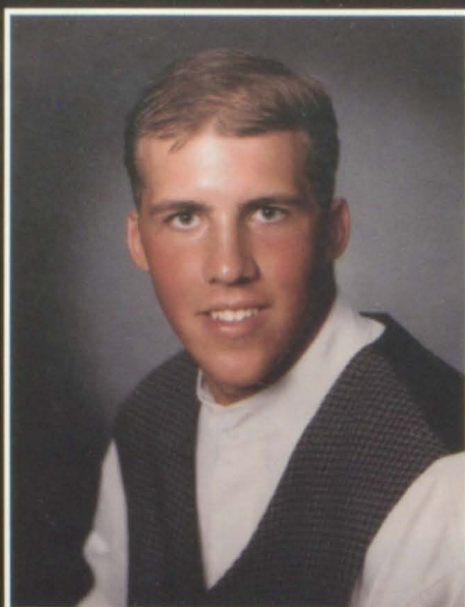


Love,
Dad, Mom,
Melanie & Daniel





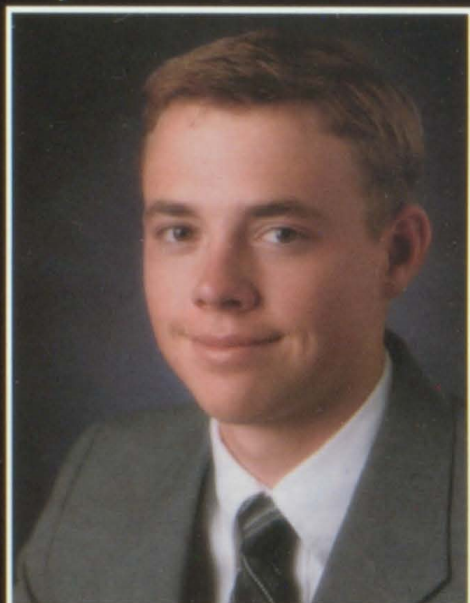
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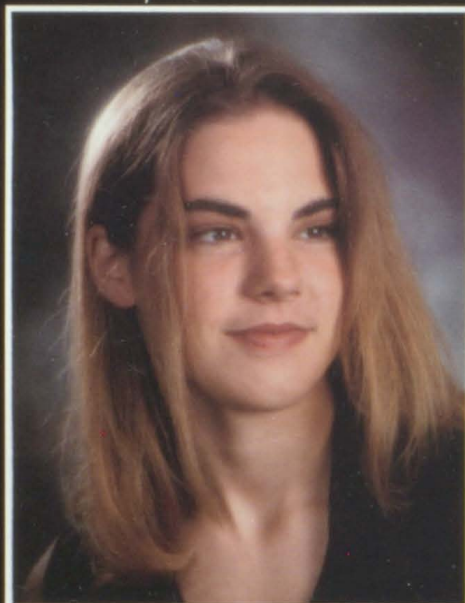
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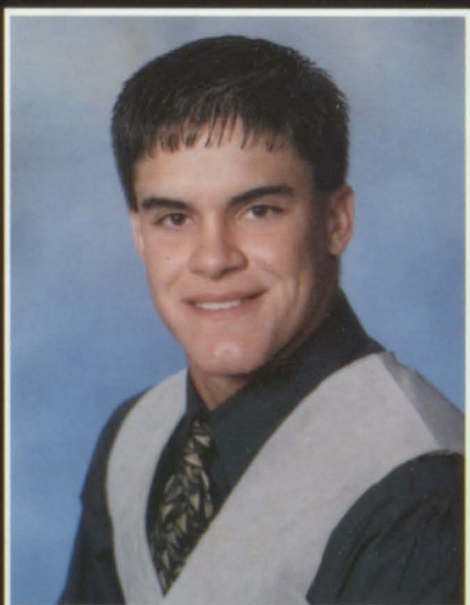
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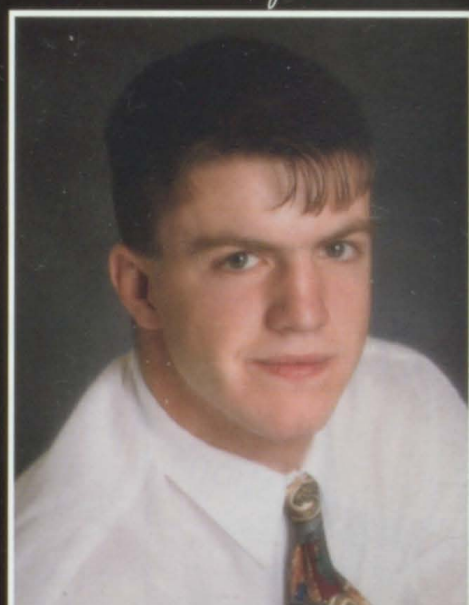
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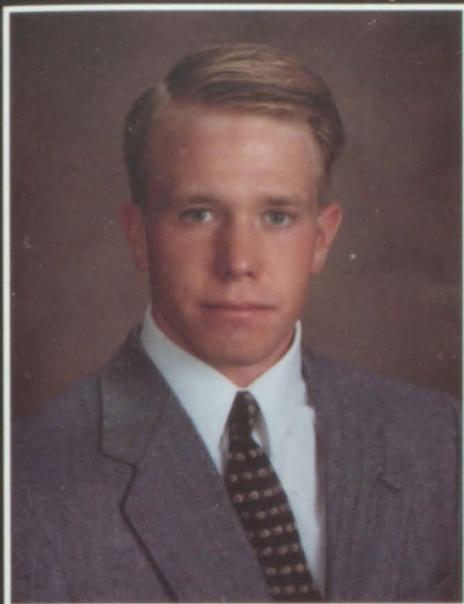
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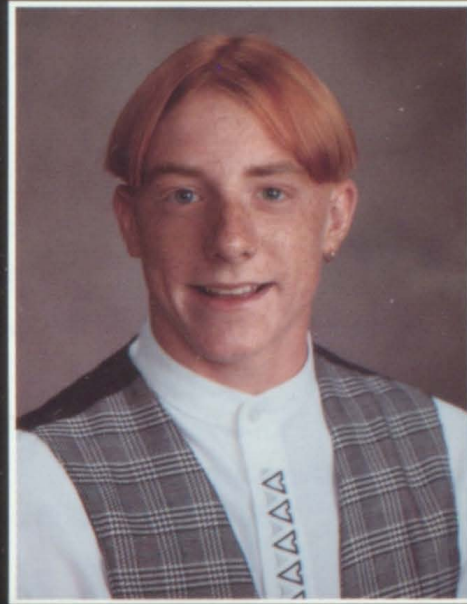
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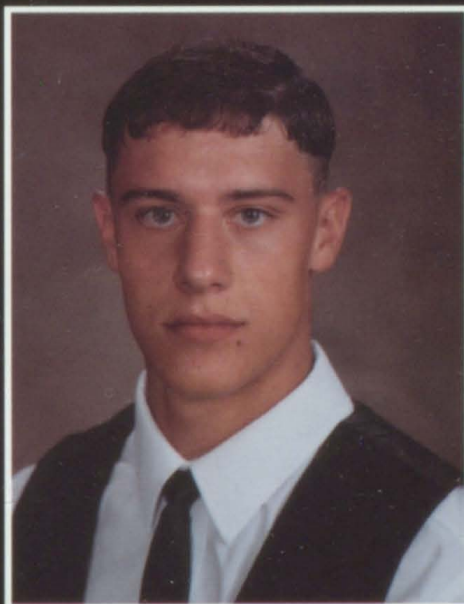
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Aaron Eber Wade



Jennifer Lea Waldschmidt



Peter Joseph Waldschmidt, Jr.



Anita Marie Weber

Craig,

Always remember
"The Eye of the
Tiger." We love you!

Mom, Dad, Clint &
Cory

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TOM,

Congratulations!
We're proud
of you, and
we love you.
Good luck.

Dad, Mom,
Larry, John,
Steve & Jessie



P.J.,

Don't ever let anyone
tell you you can't--
we know you can!

Love ya,
Dad, Mom,
Mindy & Valerie

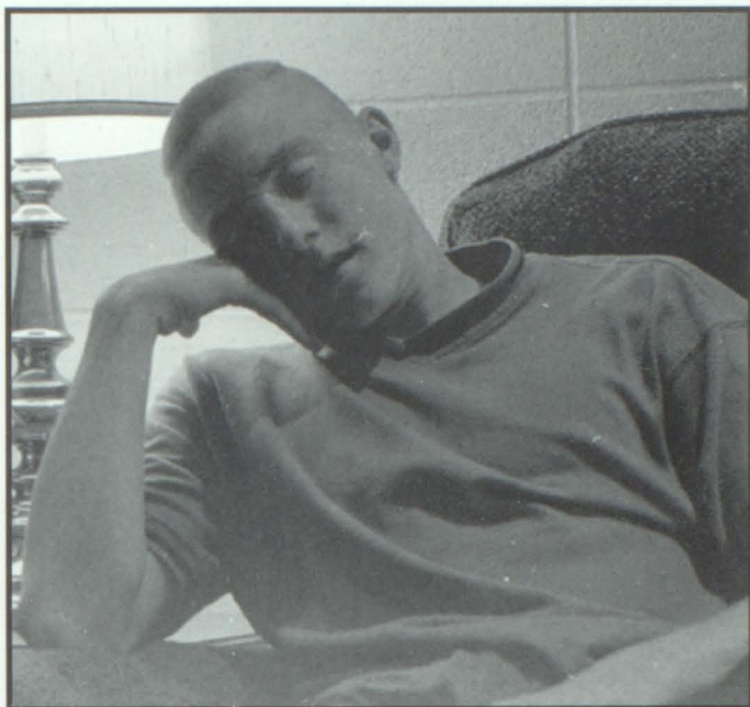
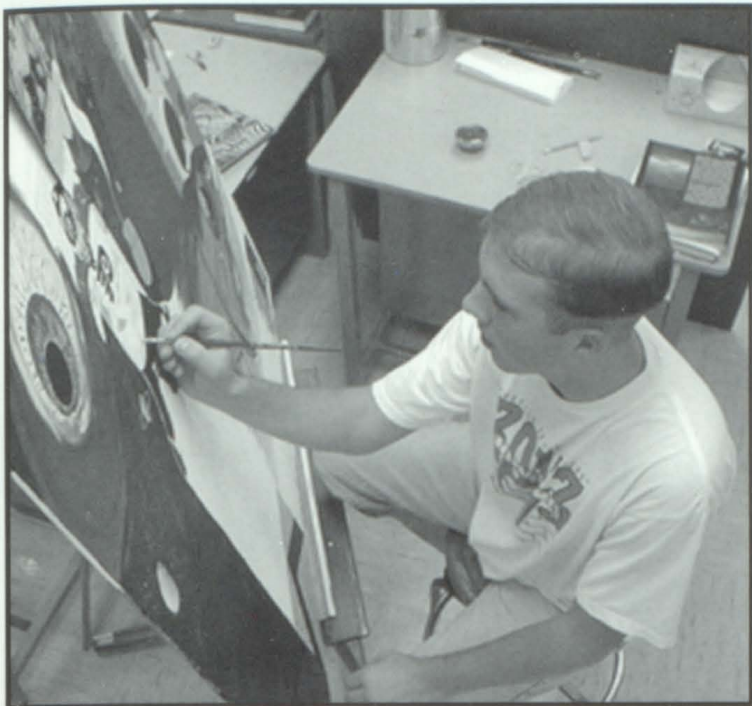


Betsy Bartlett and Aaron Eaton pose during a football game. At the start of the season, Eaton started the Super Fan Club. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

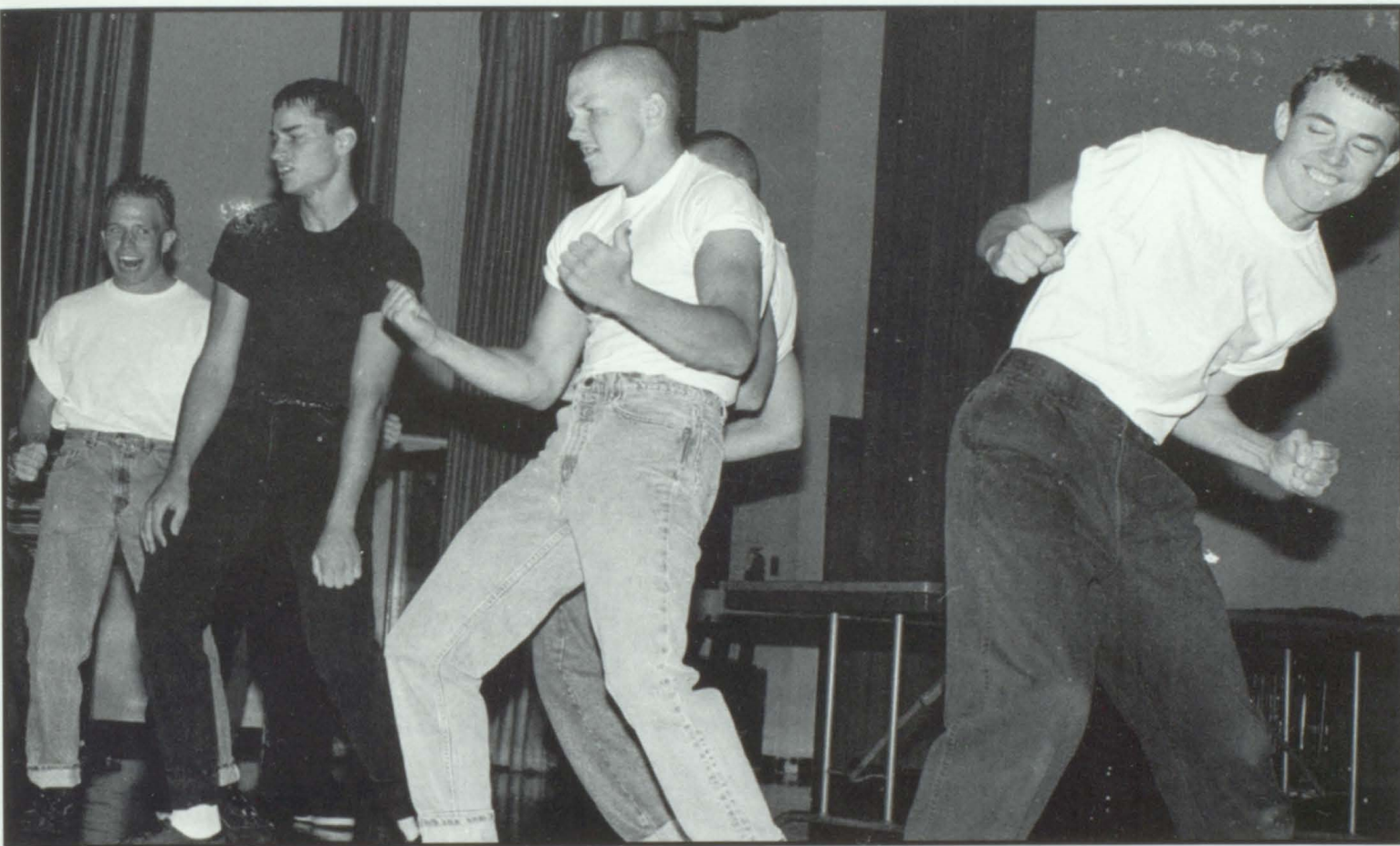


Seniors Jamie Kohl, Craig Honas, P.J. Waldschmidt and Brett Neumann cheer on the senior volleyball team during Homecoming week. Throughout the week, the seniors competed in various activities against other classes to gain points. During the sport competitions, the seniors won volleyball and softball and placed second in flag football. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

Aron Wade takes time out of the busy school day to catch up on some sleep. Mrs. Virginia Duell's furniture was a popular place for students to relax when they were allowed. (Photo by Betsy Bartlett)



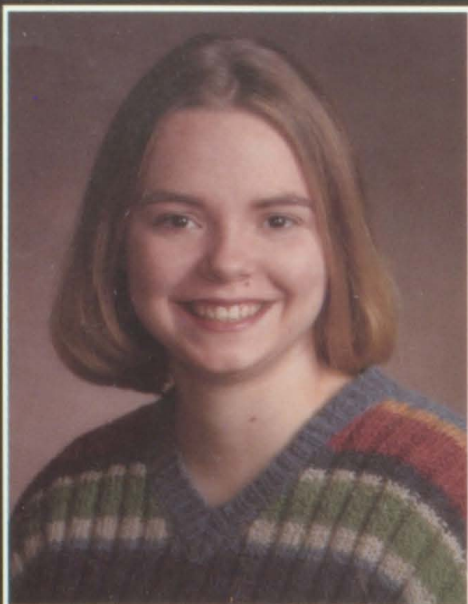
Chris Mickelson, sr., concentrates on his art project. Each student was given a 4-by-4 masonite board to paint a mural on and given the entire year to finish the project. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Seniors Michael Shepherd, Craig Honas, Jamie Kohl and Brett Neumann show their dance moves while performing to "Grease Lightning." The Seniors placed first in the Air Band competition. (Photo by Micah Zachman)



Bobbie Jo Weber



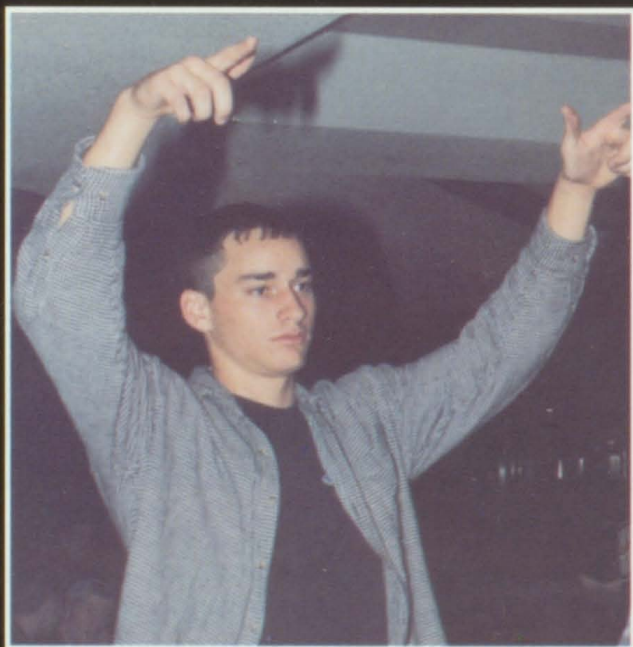
Amanda Brooke Wedermeyer



Micah Laine Zachman



Seniors Aaron Wade, Robert Sandlin, Craig Honas, Brett Neumann, Michael Shepherd, Brandon Pfeifer and Rudy Fink risk their lives to pose for the camera. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



Seniors Kristy Brown, Heidi Schmidt, Tara Keller, Amanda Wedermeyer, Aaron Eaton and Jami Kohl take a break from studying to have some fun in the halls. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

Craig Honas shows off his infamous dance at the STUCO sponsored halloween dance halloween night. The community helped promote the dance by donating door prizes. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Josh Luea, Craig Honas, Jenny Waldschmidt, Bobbie Jo Weber and Tara Keller fire up their spirit and their mopeds for the Homecoming parade. Homecoming was held on September 19. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



Seniors gather and pose around the little train, one of Ellis' main attractions in downtown Ellis. "It was really nice of Mrs. Riedel to come and take pictures on a day that there was no school. We had a blast that day, and some things happened that I will never forget," said Rudy Fink, sr. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

by Kristy Brown

CRAIG AMREIN--Football 1,2,3,4; MCL 2nd Team Defensive Back 4; MCL Honorable Mention Running Back 4; Track 2,3,4; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play; Class Secretary 4

DAMON ANDERSON--Wrestling 2; FFA 1,2,3,4

OLIVIA ANDERSON--Honor Roll 1; Journalism 2; Basketball 3; Junior Class Play; Flag Team 1; Kayettes 4; Choir 1,3,4

BETSY BARTLETT--Honor Roll 1,2,4; Photography 4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Forensics 1,2,3,4; State Festival 3; Junior Class Play; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Railairres 3; Band 1,2; Snoball Royalty 1,3; SADD 2,3

SHANNON BEFORT--Perfect Attendance 1; Volleyball 1,3,4; Basketball 2,3; FHA 1,2; Junior Class Play; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2

JAMIE BIEKER--Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Journalism 3; Paper+ Staff 4; Volleyball 1; FHA 1,3; Junior Class Play; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; SADD 2,3; Hays Daily News Advisory Board 3

KRISTY BROWN--National Honor Society 4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 1,2,3,4; Journalism 3,4; Business Manager 3; Yearbook Editor 4; State 3; Josten's Yearbook Workshop 4; Photography 4; Paper+ Staff 4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; Track 1,3; FHA 1,2,3; Junior Class Play; Cheerleading 2,3,4; Varsity Co-captain 3; Varsity Captain 4; NCA All-American nominee 4; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Points Chairman 4; Board Member 2,3,4; Class Vice-President 4; Choir 3; Prom Server 2; FHSU Math Relays 1,2,3,4; Snoball Princess 2; SADD 2,3; KU Honor Scholar 4; Hays Art Council Writing Award 1; *Hays Daily News* Advisory Board 3,4; MCL Leadership Conference 3

JEFF DORZWEILER--Perfect Attendance 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play

AARON EATON--Who's Who Among American High School Students 2,3; Journalism 4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 1; FHA 1; Forensics 1,2,3,4; State 1; State Festival 2; Junior Class Play; Cheerleading 1,2,3; Junior Varsity Captain 2; Varsity Captain 3; Flag Team 2,3; STUCO 1; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; President 4; Board Member 2,4; Choir 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3,4; Homecoming Royalty 4; SADD 2,3,4; Hays Art Council Writing Award 1,2

RUDOLPH FINK--Football 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; MCL 1st Team Defensive Line 4; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play; Prom Server; Snoball Royalty 3; SADD 2,3,4; SADD Vice-President 4

CRAIG HONAS--Perfect Attendance 1; Paper+ Staff 4; Football 1,2,3,4; MCL 2nd Team Receiver 4; Cross Country 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; MCL Honorable Mention 2; MCL 2nd Team 3; Track 1,2,3,4; State Medalist 3; State 2; Forensics 2,3; State 2,3; Junior Class Play; Choir 3,4; Railairres 3,4; Prom Server 2; Snoball Prince 1,2; Snoball Royalty 3

AMY KARLIN--Honor Roll 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Journalism 4; Business Manager 4; Basketball 1,2; FHA 1,2,4; Junior Class Play; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Board Member 4; Choir 1,2,3; Band 1,2,3,4; FHSU Math Relays 4; SADD 2,3,4

TARA KELLER--Journalism 3; Volleyball 1; Cross Country 2; Basketball 1,3,4; Golf 3,4; Junior Class Play; Cheerleading 4; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Board Member 4; Choir 3,4; Prom Server 2

JAMIE KOHL--Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; MCL 2nd Team Running Back 4; Track 1,2,3,4; Regional Champion 3; State 3; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play; STUCO 4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Railairres 1,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; SADD 2,3,4

SUZANNE KOHL--National Honor Society 3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; Journalism 3,4; Yearbook Editor 4; Josten's Yearbook Workshop 4; Photography 4; Volleyball 2,3; Basketball Manager 1,2,3; FHA 1,2; Forensics 1,2,3,4; State Festival 1,2,3; Junior Class Play; Cheerleading 4; STUCO 4; Secretary 4; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Treasurer 3,4; Board Member 2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Prom Server 2; FHSU Math Relays 1,2; Homecoming Queen 4; Snoball Princess 1,3; Snoball Royalty 2; SADD 3; KU Honor Scholar; Hays Art Council Writing Award 1

THOMAS LOCKER--Football 1,2,3; Track 1; FFA 2,3,4; FHSU Math Relays 4

JOSH LUEA--Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Football 1,2,3,4; MCL Honorable Mention Defensive Back 4; Golf 1,2,3,4; State 3; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play; Class Treasure 2,3,4

JUSTIN MESERVE--Perfect Attendance 2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4

CHRISTOPHER MICKELSON--National Honor Society 3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Perfect Attendance 2; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; MCL Honorable Mention Quarterback 1,2,3,4; MCL 1st Team Defensive Back 4; MCL 2nd Team Defensive Back 3; MCL 2nd Team Punter 4; *Hays Daily News* Top 11 4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; MCL 1st Team 3; All Area 2nd Team 3; All State Honorable Mention 3; Golf 1,2,3,4; Regional Champion 1,3; State Medalist 1,2,3; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play; STUCO 3,4; Treasurer 4; Class Vice-President 1,2,3; Prom Server 2; FHSU Math Relays 1,2; Homecoming Royalty 4; Snoball Royalty 1,2,3; *High School Writer* Award 2; Paper+ Staff 4; MCL Leadership Conference 4

LEANNE NEUBURGER--Cross Country 2,3; Track 1,2; FHA 1,2,3; Kayettes 1,2,3

BRETT NEUMANN--Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Perfect Attendance 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; Football Manager 1; Basketball Manager 3,4; Golf 1,2,3,4; State 1,2,3; FFA 1,2,3,4; Forensics 1,3; Junior Class Play; STUCO 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 4; FHSU Math Relays 1,2; SADD 2,3,4; MCL Leadership Conference 4; Paper+ Staff 3; KU Honor Scholar 4

BROOK NOWLIN--Honor Roll 1; Perfect Attendance 1; Basketball 1; Track 1,2,4; FHA 1; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,4; Band 1

WADE PFANNENSTIEL--FFA 1,2,3,4; Sentinel 4; FHA 4; Prom Server 2

BRANDON PFEIFER--Honor Roll 1; Perfect Attendance 1; Boys' State 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; MCL 2nd Team Center 3; MCL 1st Team Line Backer 4; MCL 2nd Team Center 4; Track 1; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; State Medalist 2,3; FFA 1,2,3,4; Treasure 2,3; President 4; District Sentinel 3; District Reporter 4; State FFA Band 1,2,3,4; Class Treasure 1; Choir 3; Band 1,2,3,4; SADD 2,3,4

KIZMIN RORABAUGH--Honor Roll 1,2; Girls' State 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Journalism 4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Forensics 1,2,3,4; State Festival 3; Junior Class Play; Cheerleading 3,4; Kayettes 2,3,4; Board Member 4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Railairres 3,4; Prom Server 2; Homecoming Royalty 4; SADD 1,2,3,4

ROBERT SANDLIN--Perfect Attendance 3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 3,4; Regional Champion 3; State 3; Junior Class Play; Choir 1,2,3; FHSU Math Relays 3

SHANE SCHATZ--Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; Cross Country 3; Golf 1; FFA 3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Vice-President of Public Relations 2; Points Chairman 3; STUCO Representative 4; Forensics 1,3; Junior Class Play; STUCO 4; Class Secretary 1,2; FHSU Math Relays 1,2,3,4; SADD 2,3,4; Paper+ Staff 3

HEIDI SCHMIDT--Who's Who Among American High School Students 1,2,3,4; Journalism 3,4; Newspaper Editor 4; Paper+ Staff 4; Photography 3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1; FFA 3; FHA 1,2,3,4; Secretary 3; Vice-President of Star Events 4; Forensics 1,4; Junior Class Play; Cheerleading 1,3; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Board Member 2; Class Secretary 3; Prom Server 2; SADD 2; Hays Art Council Writing Award 1,2; HOBY 2

ERIC SCHUSTER--Perfect Attendance 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Golf 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play

MICHAEL SHEPHERD--National Honor Society 3,4; All A Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among American High School Students 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; State Medalist 3; State 1,2; FFA 1,2,3,4; State FFA Band 2; Forensics 1,3,4; Junior Class Play; STUCO 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 3; President 4; Class President 1,2,3; Choir 1,2,3,4; Railairres 1,2,3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Librarian 2; Vice-President 4; Prom Server 2; FHSU Math Relays 1,2,3,4; Homecoming King 4; Snoball Royalty 1,3; SADD 3,4; KU Honor Scholar 4; MCL Leadership Conference 2

RACHEL SOLOMON--Honor Roll 1,3; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Journalism 4; Newspaper Editor 4; Photography 4; Football Manager 4; Cross Country 3; Track 3; FFA 3; FHA 1,2,3,4; Vice-President of Public Relations 4; Junior Class Play; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 4; Board Member 3,4; Choir 1,2; Band 1,2; SADD 2,3,4; Secretary 4

AARON WADE--Perfect Attendance 3; Football 1,2,3,4; Cross Country 3; Golf 2; Track 3,4; Wrestling 1,2,3,4; FFA 2,3,4; FHA 4; Forensics 4; Junior Class Play; STUCO 4; Class President 4; Choir 2,3,4; Railairres 4; Snoball Prince 3; SADD 2,3,4

JENNIFER WALDSCHMIDT--Journalism 3; Photography 3; Volleyball 1,2,3; Basketball 1,2; Track 1; FHA 1,2,4; Junior Class Play; Cheerleading 1; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Choir 3,4; Prom Server 2; Snoball Royalty 2; SADD 3

DJ WALDSCHMIDT, JR.--Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Perfect Attendance 1; Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Football 1,2,3,4; MCL 2nd Team Tight End 4; Cross Country 3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 1,2,3,4; Regional Champion 3; State 1,2; State Medalist 3; Junior Class Play; STUCO 1,4; Prom Server 2; Homecoming Royalty 4; Snoball Royalty 2

ANITA WEBER--Photography 4; Volleyball Manager 1,2,3,4; Basketball Manager 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2; SADD 2,3,4

BOBBIE JO WEBER--Who's Who Among American High School Students 3; Volleyball Manager 1,2; FFA 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; Junior Class Play; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Board Member 2,3; SADD 2,3,4

AMANDA WEDERMYER--Photography 3; Volleyball 1; FHA 1,2; Forensics 4; Kayettes 1,2,4; Choir 4

MICAH ZACHMAN--Honor Roll 2,4; Perfect Attendance 1; Who's Who Among American High School Students 4; Journalism 3,4; Yearbook Editor 4; Regional Champion 3; State 3; Josten's Yearbook Workshop 4; Photography 4; Volleyball 1; Cross Country 2,3; Basketball Manager 1,2; Track 1; FFA 3; FHA 1,2,3,4; Vice-President 4; Junior Class Play; STUCO 3; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; Board Member 3,4; Choir 3; Snoball Royalty 1,3; SADD 2,3,4

Three, two, one, lift-off. Junior class spirit soars high at the Homecoming bonfire. Juniors A.J. Hill and Jared Wickham launched Brad Schoenthaler, jr., into the air as other classmates looked on. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



“Q and A,”

by Wes Rathbun

“ I would buy 31 cars, one for each day of the month. Each car would be a different make and model. ”

Shane Michelson, JR

“ I would buy a mansion and become a scrooge. I would be one of those mean old ladies that won't let anyone on my lawn. ”

Gypsy Hillbrink, JR

“ I would buy a huge basketball gym and invite everyone I know over to play every day. ”

Brad Schoenthaler, JR

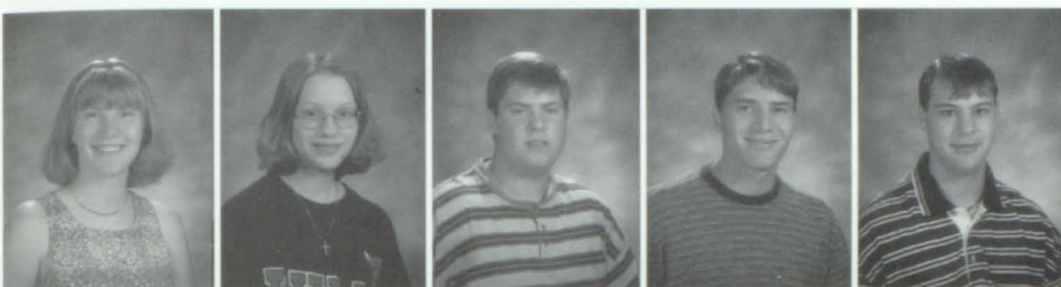
“ I would go around to thrift shops in the country and buy a whole lot of fabric. Then, I would make my own clothes and sell them. ”

Crystal Augustine, JR

Just hanging out. Juniors Wendy Hauschild, Shayla LaBarge and Terri Kroeger decide to take a break from learning. “It was fun while I was on top of the cabinet. However, getting down was an obstacle for me; I ended up jumping,” said Kroeger. “I then noticed that I had dirt all over my skirt.” (Photo by Crystal Augustine)



Strutting their stuff, the juniors perform their air band during Homecoming day. Brad Schoenthaler, Tim Kohlrus, Wes Rathbun, Darin Myers and Caleb Becker danced to and dressed up as the 'Spice Girls.' "It was definitely different dressing up as a girl," said Myers. "I was embarrassed off-stage, but when we got out in front of everyone I let loose and had some fun." (Photo by Crystal Augustine)



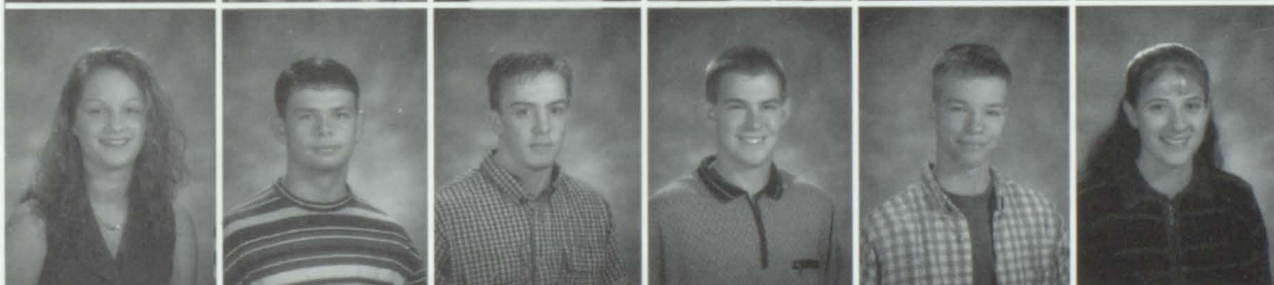
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Amanda Kuhn
Matt LaBarge*



*Shayla LaBarge
Shane Mickelson
Darin Myers
Ryan Newton
Wes Rathbun
Amy Saindon*



*Brad Schoenthaler
Jody Schuster
Jared Wickham
Jessica Yanda
Chad Zerfas
Leah Ziegler*



Sophomore Jr. LaBarge participates in one of the many activities provided at the stuco picnic, which was held in the evening on August 18, 1997, the first day back to school. The activities included volleyball, swimming, horse shoes and a barbeque. "It was a fun day. Everybody was there kickin' it. P.J. (Waldschmidt) and I were arguing who was better at horse shoes. So, we went and asked Mr. Long if he had any, and he did. I beat P.J. twice. Then we played doubles with Mr. Long and Josh Luea. It was an all-around fun time," said LaBarge. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

David Amrein
Casey Benoit
Janelle Bieker
Kim Bieker
Terra DeMars



Riley Deutscher
Brandi Dinkel
Emily Edmonds
Raleen Fisher
Tyler Fisher



Joey Giebler
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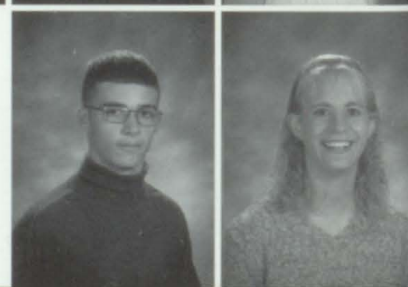
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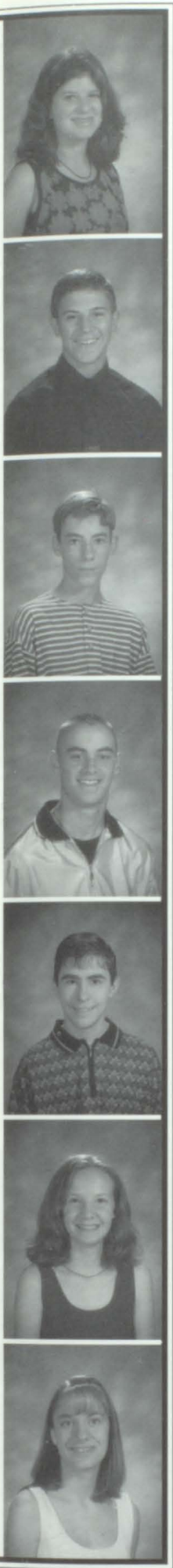


Jessica Schmidt
Derek Schoenthaler
Brett Seibel
Maren Smith
Vicki Solomon



Shane Sommers
Debbie Wagoner
Anna Weimer





“Q and A”

What is the craziest thing you have ever done to earn money?

by Raleen Fisher

“ When I was at the Plainville volleyball tournament, I drank contact solution because my friends told me they would pay me. I made four dollars. ”

Brandi Dinkel, SO

“ I had a \$33 late charge on a movie at Stop 2 Shop. I put a cup on the Stop 2's counter with the words "Donations for Riley" on it. ”

Riley Deutscher, SO

“ Once my neighbor wanted to race blindfolded, so I did. When I finished, I turned around and saw that he ran into a station wagon and broke his nose. I felt bad, until he paid up. ”

Jesse Leiker, SO

Sophomores
Anne Madorin,
Eric Newton,
Derek
Schoenthaler,
Maren Smith
and Karmen
Mueller view
the display of
class rings
shown by
Jostens.
(Photo by
Linda Riedel)



What is the wildest experience you've ever had?

Q and A

by Terri Kroeger

“ On Marjan Cohan's birthday we fit 13 people in her car, some of whom were in the trunk. We were doing 360's in the street. Too bad we got caught by the cop. ”

Suzie Shepherd, FR

“ Two friends and I went out camping, and my dog found a coon hiding out in the creek. When we went over to it, it tried to bite us so we hit it with giant sticks and buried it on a hill. ”

Nick Keller, FR

“ When I was about four years old, my sister and I were playing in a car that was a manual stick shift. We started playing with the stick, and it popped into neutral. We rolled down a hill and then smacked into a chicken house. ”

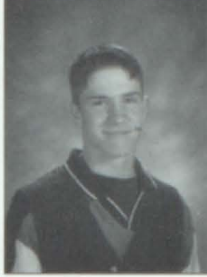
Matt Dinkel, FR

Freshmen Jennifer Tway and Suzie Shepherd jump rope with a slinky while classmates Kristi Weber, Kayci Weimer, Shari Riedel and Denise Augustine watch in the background. After lunch is the only time when EHS students have time to do what they want. (Photo by Kristy Brown)





Clint Amrein
Denise Augustine
Scott Befort
Brandy Bradstreet
Aaron Campbell
Marjan Cohan



Josh DeSolt
Matt Dinkel
Seth Dinkel
Derric Fuchs
Lyndsay Dorzweiler
Luke Ernst



Emily Fischer
Hector Hernandez
Jill Homewood
Danielle Honas
Nick Keller
Krista Kohl



Joe Kreutzer
Brandi Lang
David McClelland
Shari Riedel
Steven Shannon
Suzie Shepherd



Sam Shubert
Adam Taylor
Jennifer Tway
Justin Van Ausdale
Felicity Waldschmidt
Natalie Waldschmidt



Todd Walker
Tyler Watson
Kristi Weber
Kayci Weimer
Samantha Wolf



Dean Yanda
Kimberly Young
Mandy Zerfas

R J. Waldschmidt, Michael Shepherd, Chris Mickelson, Aaron Eaton, Braden Long, Suzy Kohl, Whitney Rorabaugh and Kizmin Rorabaugh pose for a picture after the crowning of Kohl and Shepherd as the Homecoming queen and king. The crowning ceremony took place before the game against Phillipsburg. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



with Spirit there is always a way

Christy Kinderknecht, so., pitches the ball to the opposing team during a softball game during game day. Every class competed against each other in various events. "I thought our class worked really well together during spirit week. We worked really hard, and it was fun to compete against the other classes," said Kinderknecht. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



uniors A.J. Hill, Amy Saindon, Tim Kohlrus, Jason Homewood and Shane Mickelson take a break in between football games during spirit week. All students participated in game day playing flag football, softball or volleyball. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



Seniors Michael Shepherd, Craig Honas, Jamie Kohl and Brett Neumann perform to "Grease Lightening" during the air band competition. The seniors took first place in the air band and also for the whole week. The sophomores placed second, freshmen took third and the juniors came in fourth overall. (Photo by Micah Zachman)

“ I think the dance should be on Saturday night because it's kind of hectic having it after the game. There is not much time for some people who stay till the end of the game or for the players to go home and get ready. I usually have to leave the game early to go home and get ready. ”

Gypsy Hillbrink, JR

“ This year's theme 'Degut the Panthers' was changed by the teachers to 'Engineer the Panther's Demise.' Hopefully, next year the students will think of a good theme without the helping hands of the teachers. ”

Maren Smith, SO

“ Hardly anybody gets to see the end of the football game because everyone has to leave earlier to get ready for the dance. I would make the time when the doors close for the dance later. This would allow people more time to change and get ready. ”

Samantha Wolf, FR

If you could change anything about Homecoming, what would it be and why?

“ Q and A ”
by Rachel Solomon

“ I would make the freshmen and sophomores decorate like the juniors do for prom. It would be nice to have a decorated Homecoming for a change. ”

Rudy Fink, SR

What did you learn from being in the the junior class play or National Honor Society that may benefit you in the future?

“Q and A”

by Amy Karlin

“ I think the NHS taught me the four traits on which the society is based--leadership, scholarship, service and character.

Chris Mickelson, SR ”

“ From being in both the junior play and NHS, I learned that hard work really does pay off and that you really don't get something for nothing. You have to put some effort into what you do if you want to get success.

Jessica Yanda, JR ”

“ I learned that even though something seems like a disaster, sometimes things are pulled off just in the nick of time!(junior class play)

La Taya Bradstreet, JR ”

“ I learned responsibility and to be on time. I also learned how to respect others because others are always watching you. In the future this will benefit me by learning responsibility.(junior class play)

Amanda Kuhn, JR ”

without
Commitment
things cannot succeed



Parents Joe and Jean Yanda and Judy Ziegler proudly stand behind their daughters, Juniors Jessica Yanda and Leah Ziegler, at the NHS induction. Ziegler and Yanda were new members along with Kristy Brown, sr.(Photo by Crystal Augustine)



Martha, played by Gypsy Hilbrink, screams “Herald Preston,” played by Wes Rathbun in the junior class play. Hilbrink played the mother of Carol Preston, who was played by Amy Saindon. “My part was easy because I have the same personality as Martha,” said Hilbrink.(Photo by Crystal Augustine)



Twenty-one junior class members participated in the play. The class performed "Off With His Head," directed by Ms. Linda Riedel. Row 1: Amy Saindon. Row 2: Paula Augustine, LaTaya Bradstreet, Terri Kroeger and Amanda Kuhn. Row 3: Jessica Yanda, A.J. Hill, Crystal Augustine and Leah Ziegler. Row 4: Matt LaBarge, Jody Schuster, Tim Kohlrus, Anthony Heroneme, Ryan Newton, Jared Wickham, Gypsy Hilbrink, Nathan Harwick, Wes Rathbun, Jason Homewood, Brad Schoenthaler and Preston Bollig. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



HS members, along with their parents, are recognized at the assembly. Row 1: Seniors Michael Shepherd, Suzy Kohl and Chris Mickelson and Mr. Reggie Romine. Row 2: Leah Ziegler, jr., Kristy Brown, sr., and Jessica Yanda, jr. Row 3: Judy Ziegler, Keith and Sheila Gaschler and Jean and Joe Yanda. (Photo by Heidi Schmidt)

If you could take any transportation to Spring Formal what would it be and why?

“Q and A”

by Kizmin Rorabaugh

“ I would take the batmobile because nobody makes an entrance like Batman.

Brett Neumann, SR ”

“ A UFO so I could go as fast as I wanted to without getting a ticket. Plus, I wouldn't have to fight traffic on the way to the dance. Then I could park right in front of the doors and beam down.

Wes Rathbun, JR ”

“ I would come in a helicopter, land on the roof and blow a hole in it. Then I would come sliding down on a rope with a S.W.A.T. team suit on. I would then bust open the suit, and my real clothes would be on underneath.

Jesse Leiker, SO ”

“ I would take a go-cart or a huge junky van. The reason for a go-cart is because everyone would say “What the heck?” and I would say “I think it's cool and unique”. The junky van would have enough room to fit the most people in there.

Brandy Bradstreet, FR ”



Enjoying a break from dancing, Junior Leah Ziegler and Sophomore Emily Edmonds pause at the refreshment table. Eighth grade servers Danielle Brown, Valerie Waldschmidt, Kelli Wagoner and Beth Walz offered punch, M&M's and mints at the refreshment table to those attending the dance. (Photo by Aaron Eaton)

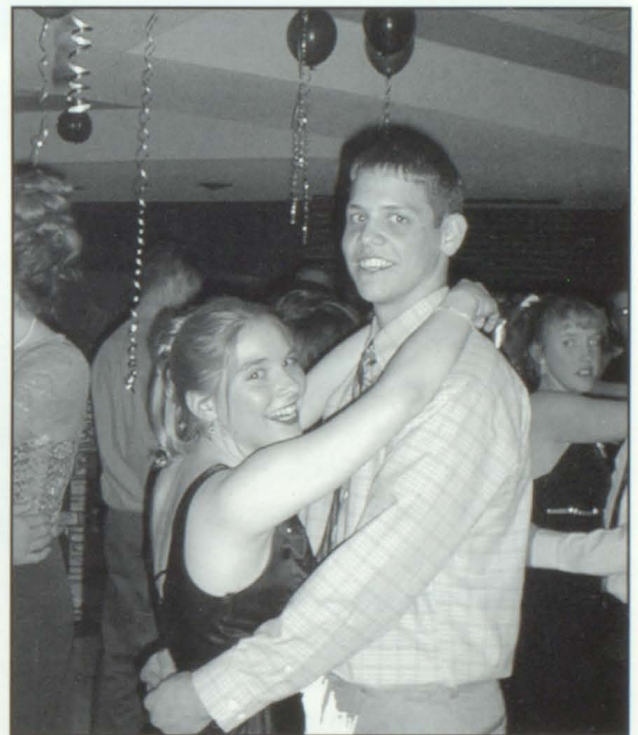


The 1998 Spring Formal Royalty. Row 1: King Rudy Fink and Queen Rachel Solomon. Row 2: Juniors Brad Schoenthaler and Lataya Bradstreet, Freshmen Brandi Lang and Matt Dinkel, and Sophomores Kristen Hazen and Derek Schoenthaler. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

with
Magic
 dreams do come true



Seniors Tom Locker and Tara Keller enjoy Spring Formal. "I only sat down once or twice that whole night," said Keller. This dance gave girls a chance to ask guys..(Photo by Linda Riedel)



Sharing a slow dance, Sophomore Kim Bieker and Freshman Geoff Andrews enjoy the evening. Bieker and Andrews attended the dance together along with Sophomores Raleen Fisher and Junior LaBarge.(Photo by Linda Riedel)

Juniors Ryan Newton and Nathan Harwick build part of the mountain for the Junior-Senior Prom that went along with the theme "Moonrise On the Mountain." The juniors are in charge of decorating for prom which cost approximately \$2,000. To raise money for prom, the juniors worked the concession stand for fall sports during their sophomore year.(Photo by Suzy Kohl)

amid Mountains students dance



“ How is prom different now compared to the prom your parents attended? ”

Q and A

by Amy Karlin

“ There were never more freshmen than seniors and juniors. People could understand the words to at least half of the songs, and they didn't need "security guards" to make sure no one left, because they could come and go as they pleased. ”

Shannon Befort, SR

“ They could come and go as they pleased and did not have the dance at school; it was at the American Legion. They also played 60's music. ”

Tim Kohlrus, JR

“ The biggest thing that has changed is that the girls ask the guys a lot more, rather than the guys asking the girls. ”

Todd Walker, JR

“ Prom has changed a lot over the years. The way the girls and guys had their hair and the type of music are the biggest changes. The kinds of dances and the dresses worn were also different. ”

David Amrein, SO



Seniors Shannon Befort and Libby Anderson dance outside of the school, while they get away from the hot lobby. The students were allowed to go outside during prom to relax. (Photo by Aaron Eaton)



Sophomore Maren Smith, Juniors Anthony Heroneme, Terri Kroeger, Chad Zerfas and Leah Ziegler, Senior Anita Weber, Sophomore Anne Madorin and Junior Ryan Newton enjoy their dinner at prom. About 145 people attended the dinner, which consisted of a salad, chicken kiev, rice, corn and a roll. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

after High School they go their separate ways

Brook Nowlin, Justin Meserve, Suzy Kohl, Rudy Fink and Amy Karlin wait for the cue to change their tassels from right to left to symbolize official EHS graduates. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)

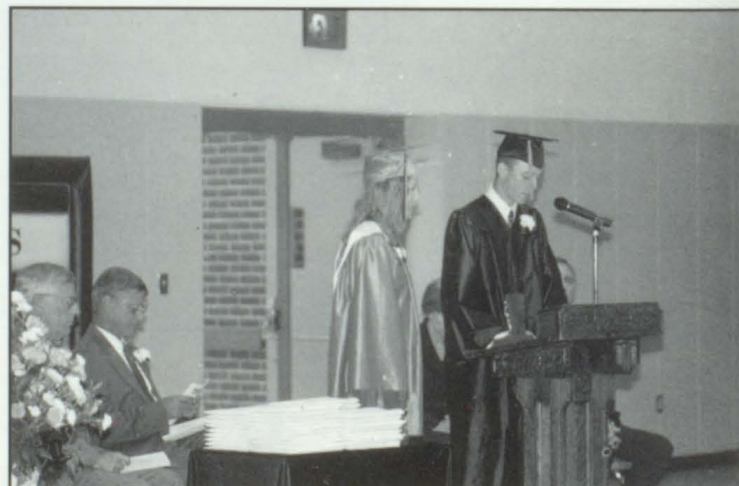


Salutatorians Kristy Brown and Brett Neumann give their speeches at the graduation ceremony. Because of very close GPAs, 3.5 and 3.6 respectively, both were awarded the honor. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)



Mr. John Kolacny speaks to the senior class during graduation ceremonies held on May 20. Throughout the speech, Kolacny compared the real world to golf. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)

Senior Michael Shepherd patiently waits his turn to speak. Shepherd earned the honor of valedictorian by accumulating a 4.0 GPA throughout high school. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)



“Q and A”

by Micah Zachman

What was your favorite year in high school and why?

“ I liked my junior year because it was fun helping with prom and the class play. ”

Shane Schartz, SR

“ Senior year because I went out a lot more with my friends and getting ready for graduation was exciting. ”

Brook Nowlin, SR

“ Freshman year. It was my first year, and I experienced high school for the first time. My freshman year was filled with fun, friends and something different every day. ”

Jenny Waldschmidt, SR

Damon Anderson accepts his diploma from USD 388 Superintendent Mr. Clair Beecher. The 1997-98 school year was Beecher's last year at Ellis because he accepted a new position at Dodge City. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)



Senior LeAnne Neuburger receives her diploma from Mr. Gary Luea, USD 388 school board vice-president. After graduation, 36 seniors participated in Project Graduation, which was held at the school. Activities included gambling, bowling, volleyball, watching fifth grade videos, an auction and a raffle at which everyone won a prize. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)

While EHS students consume themselves with sports, clubs, activities and dances, academics are the main purpose they are here. From physics to woodworking to history, students at EHS have a variety of classes from which to choose. Academics include



(Photo by Micah Zachman)

"Photography has taught me a lot about computers. With all the advanced technology this school has, I feel like we have an advantage over other schools."

Crystal Augustine, JR

"I like art class because we do a variety of projects. I also like Spanish because I like the language and learning about different cultures."

Debbie Wagener, SO



(Photo by Micah Zachman)

more than just sitting at desks, listening to lectures and taking notes. Technology is used in many classes, as students may take courses which require working on computers to create projects. Courses like band, choir, art and P.E. let the creative

side of students shine through and give an alternative to sitting in desks and getting homework. Some people pick classes that help them prepare for college, and others choose to slide through the year. Whatever classes the schedule consists of, there are no instructions to passing a class. Sometimes the best advice to make it through school is to...

**JUST LISTEN
UP**

Academics



Seniors

Shane Scharitz, Brett Neumann, Chris Mickelson and Tom Locker work on their research papers in the library. Each senior was required to write a research paper in order to graduate. "The research paper wasn't as hard as I thought it would be, but it was still hard. I'm just glad it's over with," said Neumann. (Photo by Betsy Bartlett)

Clair Beecher
 Bill Dietz
 Kathy Dreiling
 Virginia Duell
 Pauleen Edmonds
 Sherri Faulkender



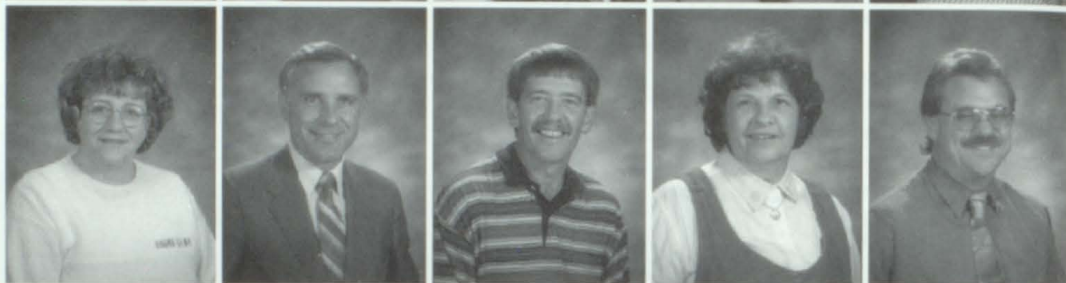
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 Cindy Hertel
 Julie Honas
 June Howard
 John Kolacny
 Max Klitzke



David Lohrmeyer
 Don Long
 Karen Madorin
 Beverly Mauk
 Perry Mick
 Eldon Pfeifer



Linda Riedel
 Reggie Romine
 Charlie Waldschmidt
 Dorothy Waldschmidt
 Robert Young



not pictured:

Marla Deines
 Terry Zerfas
 Sandra Harwick
 Marabeth Scott



Making work fun, Mrs. June Howard and Mrs. Kathy Dreiling share a laugh while working the score board at one of the season's home games. At each home game, several teachers were asked to help keep the scorebook and run the clock. (Photo by Crystal Augustine)

What did you want to be before
COLLEGE!

"I wanted to be a pharmacist during high school. Came close, didn't I?"

Mr. Robert Young, math instructor

"I've always wanted to go into education because I have a lot of family members in education, but being a principal was never in the picture."

Mr. Reggie Romine, principal



Ms. Linda Riedel shows her spirit by dressing up as Bozo the Clown for celebrity day during Homecoming week. (Photo by Heidi Schmidt)

Many students only see
learning about people's heroes gives
what's on the surface
as a better picture of who they are....

...and what they believe in. Our heroes say a lot about who we are, and behind every individual there is a hero standing in the background, motivating and encouraging that person.

Mrs. June Howard's son is her hero because he has not let himself be limited in any way by his learning disability or his severe health problems; he has learned to ski, snorkel, sail, mountain climb, cliff repelling, piloting a plane and many other things.

Mr. Don Long credits his former football coach, Gene Bissell. "Coach Bissell was always on time, he was never angry and he didn't worry about winning or losing. He taught me a great deal about responsibility and life through football," said Long.

Mrs. Karen Madorin believes that heroes are people who stand up for what they believe in, even when it is not the popular viewpoint. "People that come to mind are Steinbeck, Kingsolver, Mother Teresa and Jane Hull," said Madorin.

Maybe someday when asked who our heroes are, we'll think back to the people who encouraged and motivated us, some of whom will be our teachers.

... Anne Madorin

In Paper+, Seniors Chris Mickelson and Kristy Brown show the homepage to Phillipsburg students. Many schools visited EHS to learn how to construct web pages. (Photo by Michael Shepherd)



Mrs. Harwick and Betsy Bartlett, sr., work in the computer lab on the internet. This is the second year internet has been used in the district, which was provided by Rural Telephone. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Computer lab

students take advantage

gets more use

off sending and receiving...

...e-mail! Once commonly dead before and after school, the computer lab has seen more student use during the past year due to the addition of e-mail.

During the 1997 summer break, Mr. Robert Young, U.S.D. 388 technical coordinator, expressed interest in adding e-mail for student use. After receiving approval from Principal Reggie Romine, Young spent about 40 hours setting the system up, but before students could use it, parents and students had to sign permission forms.

Many students took advantage of sending e-mail to each other and to friends in college. E-mail messages were approaching 500 a day.

"I like sending e-mail. I get to talk to my girlfriend back and forth for free," said Darin Myers, jr.

Although the student response was enthusiastic, there were, however, some problems that arose. Many students were not logging on correctly, and some were sending messages that were offensive and profane. This resulted in several threats of e-mail privileges being taken away.

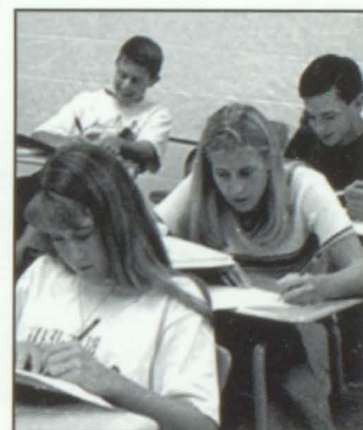
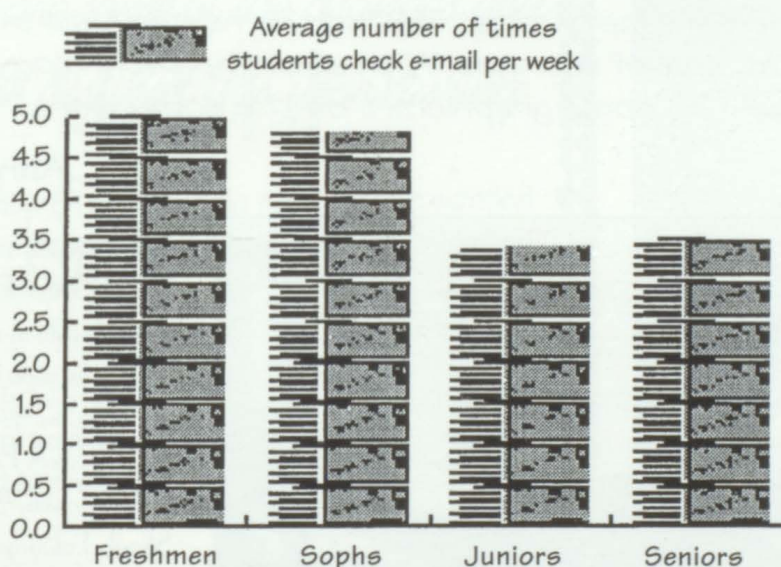
"E-mail is a fantastic tool for our students. It opens the door to communicate with the world. It also presents our students with a great responsibility, but it's too bad that one or two students are not taking that responsibility seriously can ruin it for all," said June Howard, computer instructor.

...Ryan Newton



Augustine, Jr.,
 Amanda Rubin, Jr.,
 and Steven
 Shannon, Jr., finish
 their page layout
 for the *Locomotive
 Express*. In the
 class, students were
 assigned to work on
 the web page and
 publish a district
 newsletter. "I like
 putting together the
 Paper+ paper
 because it is very
 fun, and you can
 learn a lot from
 writing different
 stories on events in
 the school district,"
 said Augustine.
 (Photo by Kristy
 Brown)

How many times a week do you check
 E-MAIL?



During
 consumer economics, Sopho-
 mores Emily Edmonds, Raleen
 Fisher, Travis Keller and Tyler
 Fisher work on a study guide.
 Three years of social studies
 were required to graduate from
 Ellis High. (Photo by Kristy
 Brown)

Classes take *changes are happening* a different approach *all over the school....*

...this year. "How much did you max out in GPD yesterday?"

"I got 225 in bench."

In the past, this conversation was shared frequently by the boys enrolled in general physical development (GPD) class. But this year, the conversation was shared by the girls enrolled in the class as well.

The 1997-98 school year brought a change to the GPD classes of EHS. Five girls enrolled in the weightlifting class, which is usually filled with males.

"I'm glad to see girls enroll in GPD. I think the reason for the increase of females to participate in weightlifting is the rise of awareness in body fitness, and lifting weights is the best way to keep in shape and stay toned," said instructor Don Long.

The GPD classes weren't the only classes to go through changes. The art classes of the 1997-98 year saw differences as well.

"The changes in the art department have been coming around very slowly. I made it so that if a student is involved in art for three years, they won't have to do the same project again," said Stan Faulkender, art instructor. "Within the next couple of years the art department will see a great deal of changes. With all of the technology that is coming about, we will more than likely do some graphic art on the computers."

...Aaron Eaton



And lift and breath, and lift and breath. Senior Kizmin Rorabaugh takes a deep breath as she tries to finish her side lat reps. Rorabaugh was one of the five girls enrolled in the class. Seniors Betsy Bartlett, Brook Nowlin, Aaron Eaton, and Shayla LaBarge, jr., were the other females enrolled in the weightlifting class. (Photo by Betsy Bartlett)



Aaron Wade, sr., uses all of his power to finish his last rep of leg curls in fifth hour GPD. Wade was enrolled in GPD for two years. "I really enjoyed this class. Not only did it help with my sports by building up my strength, but it also taught me how to do each lift the proper way," said Wade. (Photo by Betsy Bartlett)

What are some of the changes you liked or disliked this year during ART/PE?

"I liked how Stan let us do whatever we wanted to do in art instead of everyone working on the same project."

Tara Keller, sr.

"I liked how in sophomore PE, Mr. Long let us go down to the weightroom and lift weights rather than staying up here at the new high school."

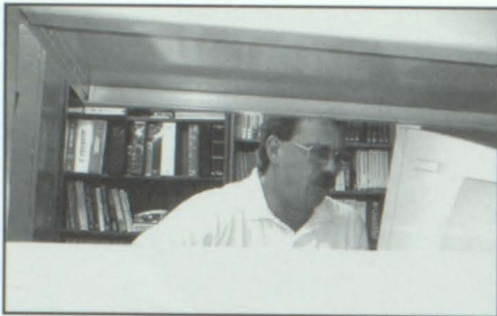
Derek Schoenthaler, so.



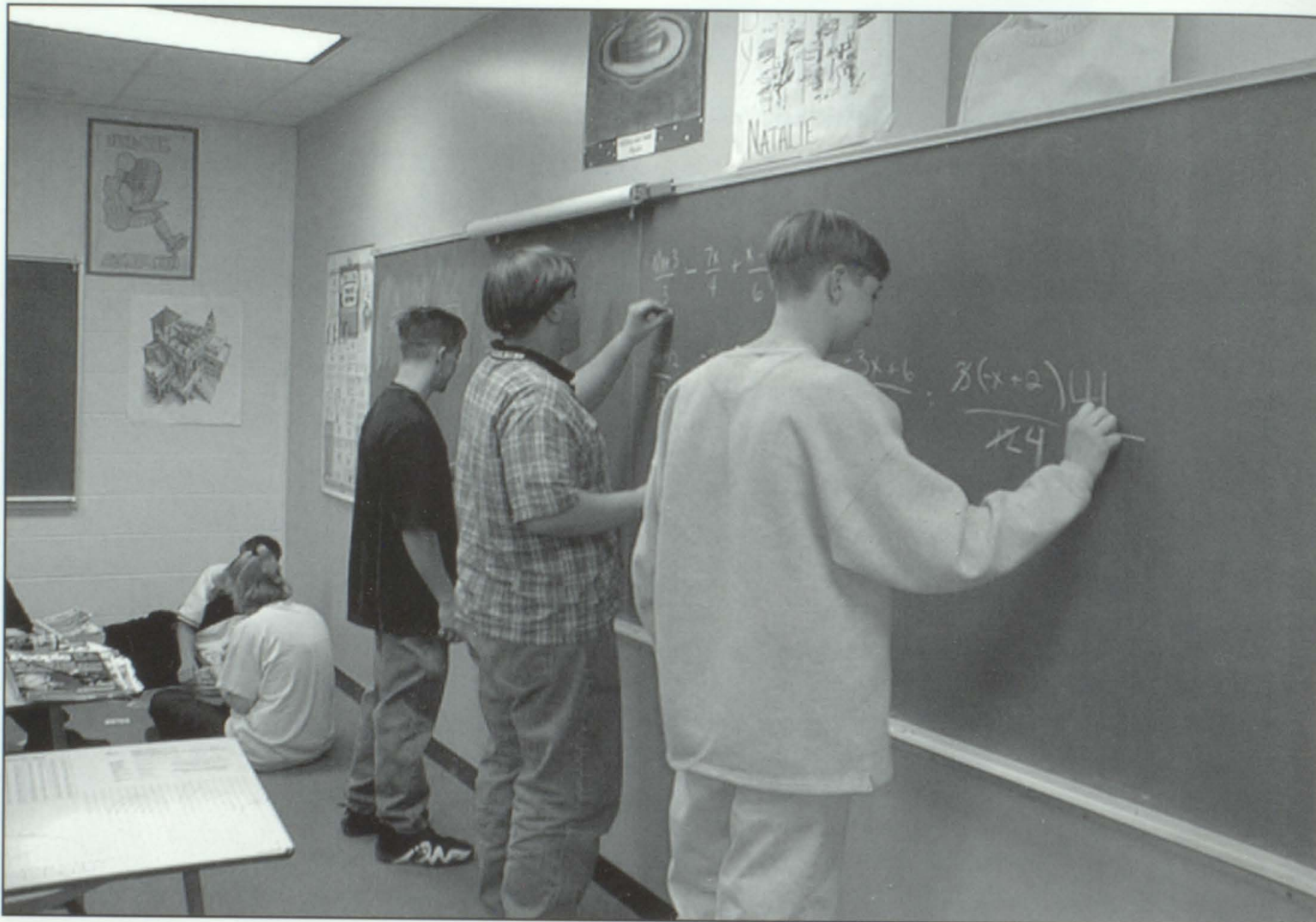
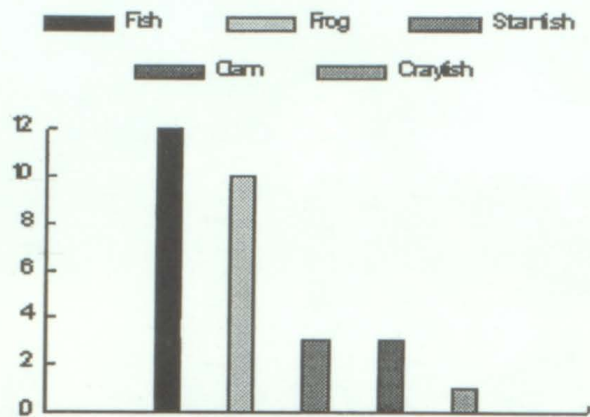
Bartlett, sr., Ryan Gaschler, jr., and Jason Homewood, jr., work on their second hour art projects. Bartlett was working on her canvas painting while Gaschler and Homewood were completing their car model projects. (Photo by Heidi Schmidt)

Mr. Young,

who teaches geometry/statistics, sits at his computer to assist with a computer problem. Young was the school's computer consultant. As the computer consultant, he was in charge of any computer problems that occurred in the school. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



What was your favorite specimen to
DISECT?



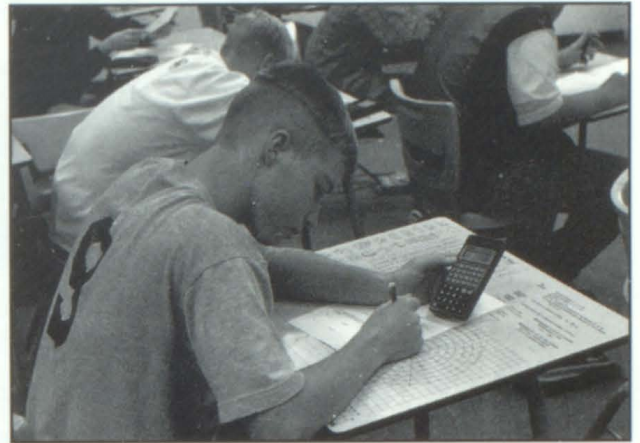
Juniors

Darin Myers, A.J. Hill and Nathan Harwick work their Algebra II assignment problems on the board. Algebra II was taken by many juniors to meet their two math requirements for the state of Kansas. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Vicki Solomon, so., cringes while slicing into a worm in Biology I class. Biology I students had to dissect many different animals and insects in the class, taught by Mr. Max Klitzke. At the end of the year, biology students had to pass a biology final which consisted of finding insects and plants and giving a report on them. (Photo by Heidi Schmidt)

Studying hard pays off as Junior Wes Rathbun finds out while taking his Algebra II test. Algebra II, taught by Mr. Perry Mick, was one of the classes many students took to meet state guidelines. The state board of education mandated students take three credits of math to attend a Regent university, and the class of 2001 was the first class to be affected by the new requirement. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Biology students try to *while some just barely pass* make the grade *other gain extra credit...*

...while having fun. Toward the end of every school year, the Biology I class began collecting specimens for their biology final. The final consisted of collecting 95 items and writing a short essay over each item explaining facts and characteristics of each. Some of the items included reptiles, parts of certain flowers, an amphibian adult and larva and various other items.

"Collecting different specimens and looking up information on them teaches us more than just reading about them in a text book would," said Janelle Bieker, so.

Each student was required to get at least a 70 percent to pass. When students reached a 70 percent, they could decide if that was the grade that they wanted. If not, students could try for any grade they chose, which could be up to 105 percent.

"We try to get the students to learn what they can from the final. It allows them to get the grade they want," said Mr. Max Klitzke, science teacher.

...Paula Augustine

Railairres learn

one way to entertain audiences

new way to perform

is by learning new dance moves...

...and many hours of practice. Entertaining audiences can sometimes be a challenge but achievable with practice and hard work. Mrs. Kathy Dreiling and the Railairres learned choreographed routines and performed them at places such as MCL vocal clinic, dinner theater and the spring trip. The Railairres' songs are choreographed by local parents, students, workshops and Tanita Augustine, their choreographer.

"Learning the dances can sometimes be difficult because of the differences in opinion between the girls and the guys," said Kristen Hazen, so. "With compromise, things always get worked out."

Besides just learning choreographed moves, Dreiling incorporated them into various types of music.

"We try to get many types of music like ballads, rock, pop, oldies and crowd pleasers. When planning out a performance, you have to keep in mind the types of music the audience likes," said Dreiling.

The Railairres practiced three times a week for two weeks and practiced segment by segment. Once the segments were learned, new ones are added.

"The most difficult part of the dances is singing and dancing at the same time," said Dreiling. "The best part of learning the dances is watching all the bloopers and seeing everyone try hard and have fun."

...Terri Kroeger

Aaron
Campbell and
Felicity
Waldschmidt, fr.,
sing back to back at
the Railairre dinner
theater. (Photo by
June Howard)



Jill
Homewood, fr.,
Jessica Yanda, jr.,
and Brandi
Dinkel, so., add to
the half-time
entertainment. (Photo
by Kristy Brown)



Top ten favorite MUSICAL ARTISTS

1. Snoop Doggy Dog
2. Prince
3. Aerosmith
4. Green Day
5. Matchbox 20
6. Sublime
7. Puff Daddy
8. Smashing Pumpkins
9. Dave Mathews Band
10. Sarah McLachlin

that note?" said Sophomore Emily Edmonds and Junior Amy Saindon as they practice for state contest, which was held on April 16. The EHS band was directed by Mr. Bill Dietz. "I felt the band performed better this year than in recent years although the ratings didn't show it," said Dietz. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



Go
grease lightning!
Seniors Michael Shepherd, Aaron Wade, Craig Honas and Jamie Kohl dance to "Grease Lightning" at the Railairre dinner theater held March 19. "I really enjoyed the dinner theater; it was a lot of fun. One of the best parts of performing was making up the Grease Lightning dance," said Wade. Wade sang the lead part of Danny. (Photo by June Howard)

Luke Karlin, so, clamps the door frame together for his entertainment center in Woodworking I as Chris LaBarge, so., holds the frame tight.

The students were required to make a project for the year, which could be whatever they wanted if approved. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Students enroll *being absent means* **in vo-tech classes** *making up work....*

...in vo-tech classes. In most classes at Ellis High School, if students miss a class, they must make up the work missed, which is usually done in their scheduled hour for that particular class.

However, in vo-tech classes, such as woodworking, home economics and project construction, a missed class period must be made up before or after school, since most assignments are labs. Since a large amount of vo-tech classes involve labs every day, many students find themselves making up missed vo-tech classes before or after school. They don't make up the time missed, just the class work missed.

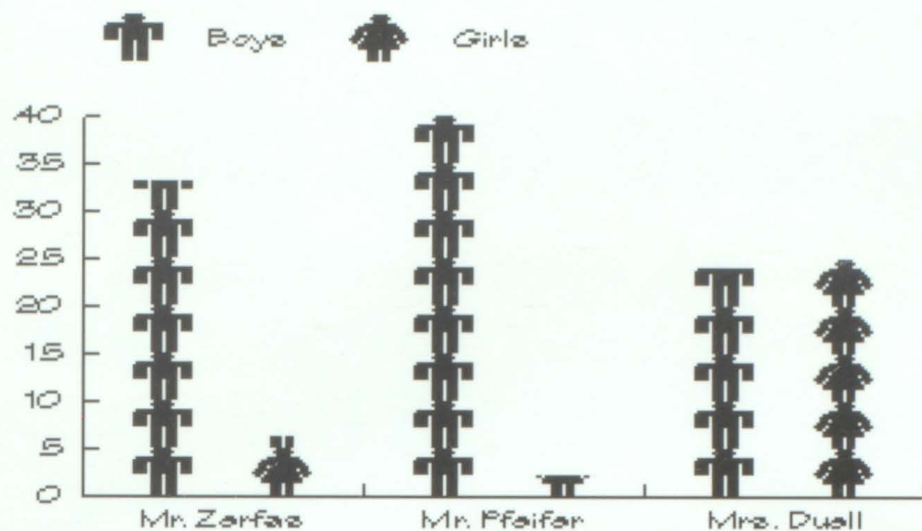
"Since I have two vo-tech classes, when I miss a day, I must go in before and after school to make up both labs," said Junior Jody Schuster. "It takes a lot of time out of my schedule but is worth it."

Because missing a day of a vo-tech class takes more time out of students' schedules than other classes, those who take vo-tech classes, especially those who take more than one, enjoy the classes and know what to expect.

"Having a student make up a class period gives me an opportunity to help the student one-on-one and get to know the student better," said Mr. Terry Zerfas. "It also gives the student a chance to display some of the responsibility of high school by completing the class activities."

... Amy Karlin

How many boys and girls are there in
VO-TECH?



Senior
Justin Meserve, working in one of his two vo-tech classes, welds a floor plate on his car trailer in project construction taught by Mr. Eldon Pfeifer. "Vo-tech is fun and exciting because I am always learning something new, and I can build whatever I want," said Meserve. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



Amrein, Jr., and Sam Shubert, Jr. screen print a logo for a project in Mechanical Drawing I taught by Mr. Terry Zerfas. The students were required to screen print on fabric, on a license plate and print a heat transfer all of which included a graphic and a text. (Photo by Heidi Schmidt)



Cooking
sewing, learning and cleaning are all components of Mrs. Virginia Duell's Advanced Foods and Clothing class. Three of her students, Senior Shane Shartz, Sophomore Jessica Schmidt and Junior Amanda Kuhn, concentrate on their sewing project, while Duell observes. "The best part of class was getting to eat the food that we cooked," said Schmidt. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

Teacher takes trip *one way to learn* to educate students *is through experience....*

... and hard work. "Costa Rica es pura vida." For those that don't know much Spanish, that translates into "Costa Rica is a wonderful life."

Mrs. Deines experienced that life when she and 15 other teachers took a trip to Costa Rica. The purpose of the trip was to bring back information to teach students.

"I find it much easier to teach from experience. I think the students enjoy it more," said Deines.

Deines incorporated the economy, local language and ecology of Costa Rica into her Spanish and psychology classes.

"It makes me realize the difference in cultures, and how much we have that other places don't," said Felicity Waldschmidt, fr. "It also makes it more fun and easier to learn."

Keeping students interested can sometimes be difficult. Deines used the internet to supply up-to-the minute information, updates on damage to the rain forest and updates on the water supply.

Deines also incorporated her Costa Rica experience into her German class. "It makes me more aware of the differences between the German and Spanish cultures. Since I am in both German and Spanish class, I have established a strong awareness between the two cultures," said Leah Ziegler, jr.

...Terri Kroeger

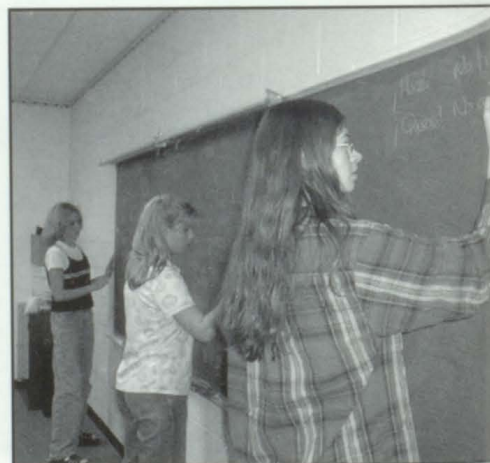
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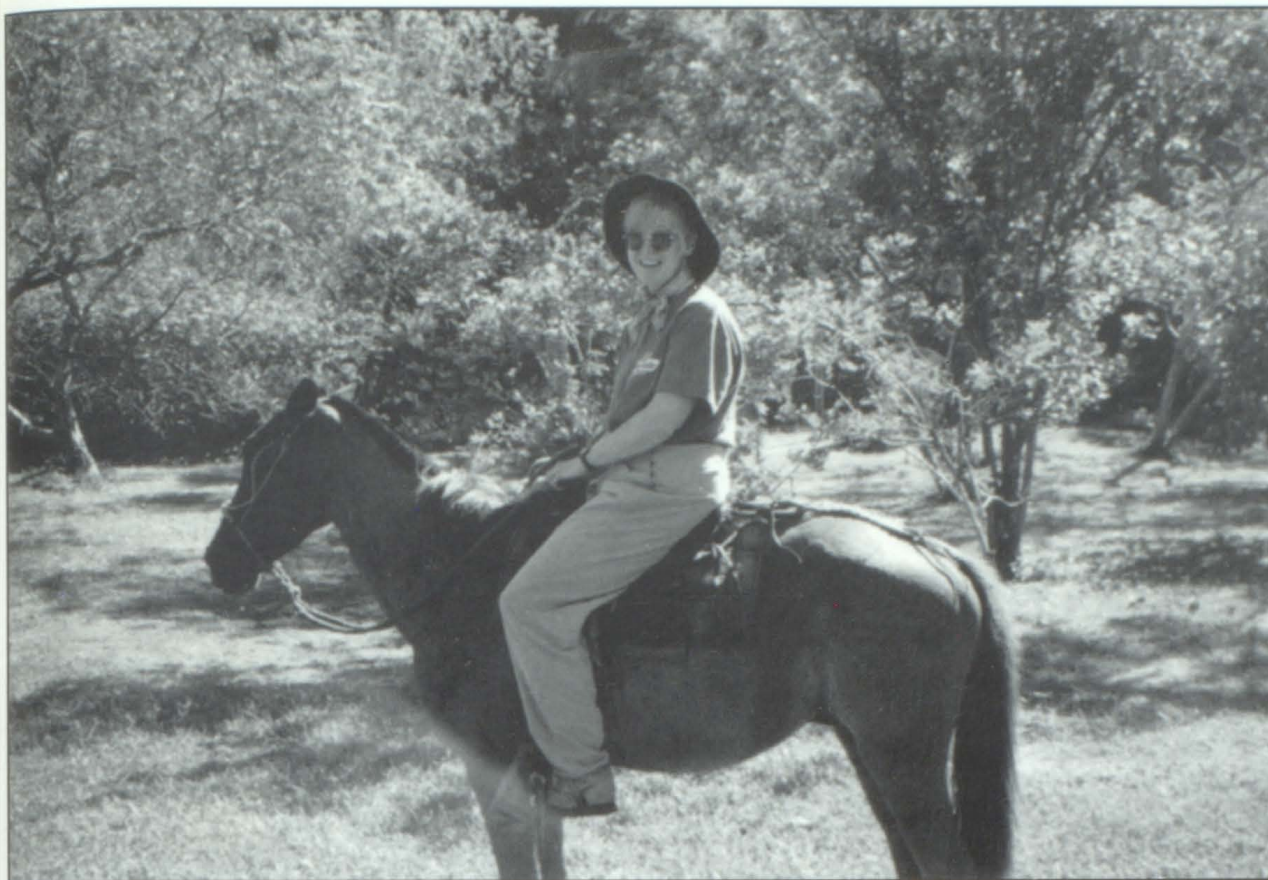
Amy Karlin, Tara Keller, Jamie Bieker and Bobbie Jo Weber take notes during a lecture in Advanced Composition. (Photo by Betsy Bartlett)



Kristen

Hazen, Christy Kinderknecht and Maren Smith, sos., concentrate on writing their vocabulary words on the board during Spanish II class. (Photo by Micah Zachman)

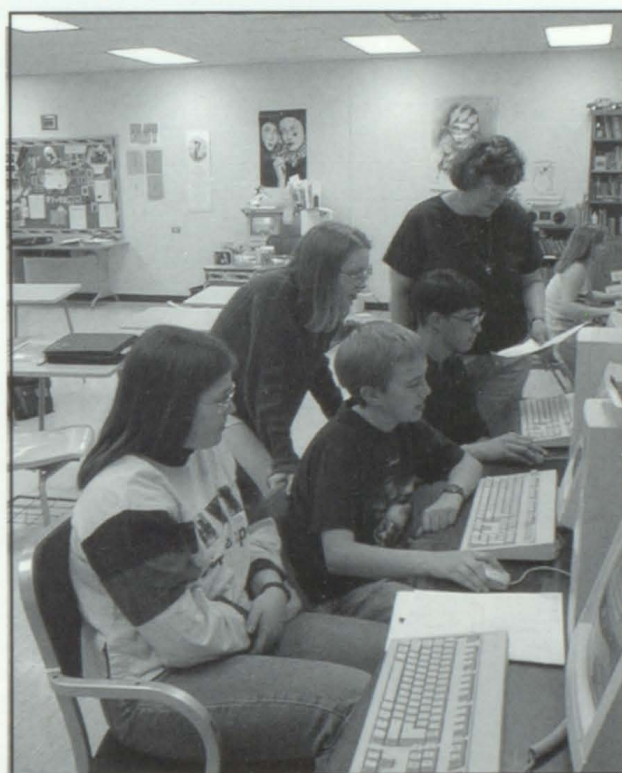




up! Spanish teacher Mrs. Marla Deines sits on a horse while on her trip in Costa Rica. Deines was one of the fifteen teachers that went on the trip to Costa Rica. "Riding a horse with hiking boots is nothing like the movies," said Deines. Horse riding wasn't the only thing learned on the trip. Deines brought back information that was to be taught in the classroom. (Contributed by Marla Deines)

What are the top ten reasons to take a foreign LANGUAGE?

10. You can expand your knowledge.
9. You can learn about the different cultures.
8. You will need the knowledge to be a translator.
7. Go to Spain and communicate.
6. Culture days.
5. When you meet "hot" foreign people, you can actually talk to them.
4. You look like you actually know something about foreign language.
3. College purposes.
2. Uneducated people won't know what you're talking about.
1. You can count with the gang on Sesame Street.



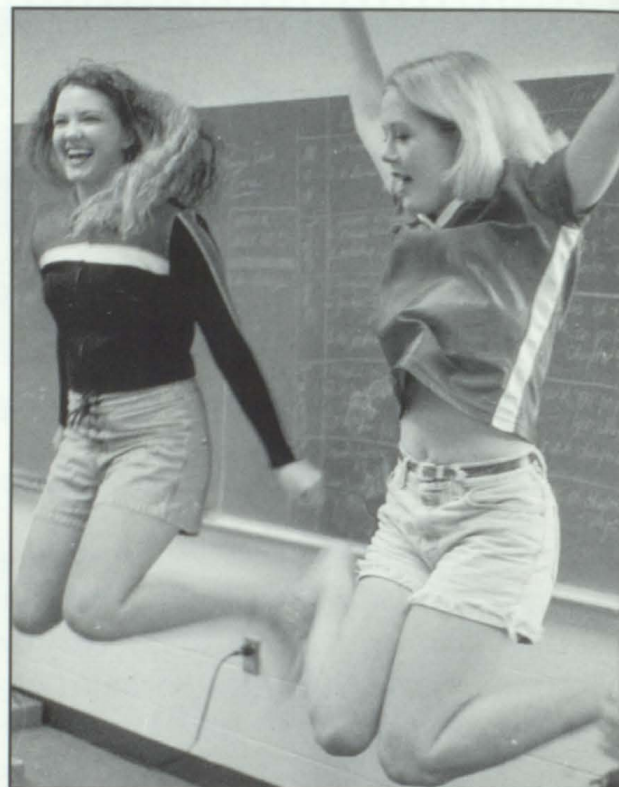
Jamie Biekens, Jr., Steven Shannon, Jr., and Matt Dinkel, Jr., work on various writing activities for the Paper+ paper while Paula Augustine, Jr., and teacher Linda Riedel supervise. "Being in Paper+ was fun, but it's sad knowing there will no longer be a Paper+ paper in the following years," said Augustine. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



Betsy
Barlett, sr., Kristy Brown, sr., Crystal Augustline, jr., and Anita Weber, sr., take a break during photography class. To learn how to use their cameras better, the photography staff practiced taking pictures of each other all over town. After a little practice, the photographers had very little trouble using their cameras and taking good pictures. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)



Micah
Zachman, sr., develops her film while Kristy Brown, sr., observes. All photography students had to learn how to develop, roll and scan their own pictures. There were eight photography students during the 1997-98 school year. Photography students worked with the journalism staff to determine the pictures they were to take for the yearbook and newspaper. (Photo by Rachel Solomon)



Kizmin
Rorabaugh, sr., and Heidi Schmidt, sr., demonstrate how to do the perfect cheer for journalism workshop. At the 1997 Josten's workshop, each school had the opportunity to show off their talent and do a cheer. Ellis won first place and received free end sheets. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

How did students rank at state JOURNALISM?

- Rachel Solomon, sr., received first place in editing.
- Anne Madorin, so., took second place in editorial writing.
- Ryan Newton, jr., captured third place in newspaper design.
- Aaron Eaton, sr., received honorable mention in yearbook layout and yearbook sports writing.
- Heidi Schmidt, sr., received honorable mention for advertising.



Aaron Eaton, sr., Anne Madorin, so., Rachel Solomon, sr., Ryan Newton, jr., and Heidi Schmidt, sr., competed and won during state journalism at Kansas University in Lawrence. Ten students made it to state journalism after placing in the regional journalism contest at Fort Hays State University. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

Journalism students

splitting staffs helps

stress over deadlines

relieve pressure...

...and gets more things done. To try something new during the 1997-98 year, journalism split their staff halfway through the year. Instead of having one staff working on the yearbook and newspaper together, the staff split to make a yearbook staff and a newspaper staff.

Journalism students often felt pressure having to work on the yearbook and on the newspaper staff, and things became a little stressful. When Mrs. Cindy Hertel, journalism adviser, asked the class what they felt would help relieve the stress, the journalism students suggested having a separate newspaper staff and yearbook staff.

"Splitting the journalism staff allows more time to work on a layout assignment or newspaper story, rather than having both to stress over," said Amy Karlin, sr.

There was no argument on who wanted to be on which staff.

"I thought splitting the staffs would be hard, but it wasn't," said Micah Zachman, sr. "Everyone knew what they wanted to do."

...Rachel Solomon

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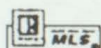
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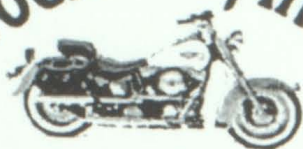
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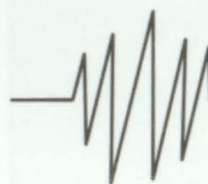


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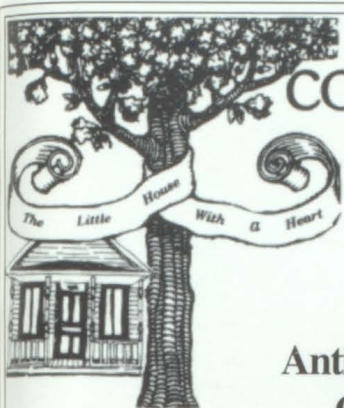
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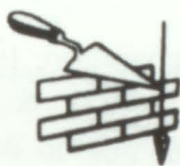


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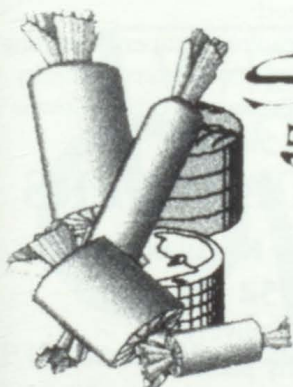
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Booster Ads



U.S.D. 388

U.S.D members convene on the first Monday of every month. Row 1: Cheryl Helget, Art Schoenthaler and Art Honas. Row 2: Michael Simmons, Gary Luea, Gayla Wichman and Arlin Mills. (Photo by Suzy Kohl)

The girls' basketball team sits and listens to the advice of Coach Robert Young during a time-out. This was Young's fifth year as girls' basketball coach in Ellis. (Photo by Rachel Solomon)



Jared Wickham, Jr., works on a project in shop class. Vocational classes, taught by Mr. Terry Zerfas, Mr. Eldon Pfeifer and Mrs. Virginia Duell, offered students hands-on experience in many areas. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



U.S.D 388 Mission Statement:

Believing in and encouraging the individual worth of each student, U.S.D. 388 will provide a safe and healthy environment in which all students can learn the necessary academic and social skills that will enable them to be contributing, self-sufficient members of society.



1997 Football Team Members. Row 1: T. Walker, T. Watson, C. LaBarge, C. Amrein, J. Giebler, M. Dinkel, D. Yanda, D. McClelland and L. Karlin. Row 2: Mgr. R. Solomon, M. LaBarge, S. Sommers, C. Zerfas, D. Schoenthaler, B. Seibel, B. Schoenthaler, W. Rathbun, L. LaBarge, D. Fuchs, J. DeBolt, C. Amrein and Asst. Coach A. Schoenthaler. Row 3: Coach S. Faulkender, J. Kohl, M. Shepherd, J. Luea, A. Wade, C. Mickelson, P. Waldschmidt, R. Sandlin, C. Honas, R. Fink, B. Pfeifer and J. Wickham. (Photo by Pioneer Photography)

FOOTBALL

<u>EHS</u>		<u>OPP</u>
32	Norton	28
54	Plainville	6
20	Phillipsburg	0
14	Stockton	18
42	Victoria	14
49	Osborne	14
6	Dighton	29
6	Ness City	20
43	Quinter	0

VOLLEYBALL

<u>EHS</u>		<u>OPP</u>	<u>EHS</u>		<u>OPP</u>
15-4-5	Hill City	10-15-15	7-13	Winona-Triplains	15-15
15-15	Palco	5-11	6-13	Elyria	15-15
15-15	Dighton	6-3	9-11	Winona-Triplains	15-15
15-15	Plainville	9-13	5-12	Palco	15-15
15-10-13	Trego	11-15-15	15-15	Ransom	12-9
6-4	Hoisington	15-15	13-14	Quinter	15-16
5-6	LaCrosse	15-15	13-14	Ness City	15-16
6-13	Victoria	15-15	3-9	LaCrosse	15-15
15-15	Victoria	10-5	7-5	Victoria	15-15
5-1	Utica	15-15	1-6	Smith Center	15-15
15-4-1	Trego	11-15-15	10-7	Stockton	15-15
2-13	Osborne	15-15	6-2	Hill City	15-15
4-13	Phillipsburg	15-15	9-3	St. Francis	15-15
15-12-9	Victoria	7-15-15			



1997 Volleyball Team Members. Row 1: J. Homewood, L. Dorzweiler, B. Lang, N. Waldschmidt, K. Young, K. Kohl, S. Shepherd, E. Fischer, K. Weimer and S. Riedel. Row 2: Mgr. K. Weber, T. Kroeger, K. Rorabaugh, H. Schmidt, K. Brown, B. Bartlett, A. Eaton, S. Befort and W. Hauschild. Row 3: Mgr. A. Weber, Coach R. Young, A. Keller, K. Hazen, R. Fisher, J. Tway, A. Madorin, D. Honas, F. Waldschmidt, E. Edmonds, C. Kinderknecht, A. Weimer, B. Dinkel and Mgr. A. Saindon. (Photo by Pioneer Photography)

1997 Cross
Country Team
Members. Row
1: J. Yanda, S.
Shepherd and V.
Solomon. Row
2: Coach P.
Irwin, D.
Schoenthaler,
C. Honas and C.
Becker. (Photo
by Linda Riedel)



CROSS COUNTRY

Meets attended

Ellis Invitational
Plainville
Oakley
Hill City
Hays Invitational
Hoisington
Wheatland
Regionals



BOYS' BASKETBALL

EHS	OPP	EHS	OPP
75 Phillipsburg	52	50 Hill City	49
58 Bazine	48	65 Stockton	58
101 Healy	44	65 Norton	63
71 LaCrosse	56	55 Hill City	67
71 Palco	68	65 Victoria	55
67 Osborne	64	62 Plainville	61
55 Stockton	50	80 Quinter	85
71 Trego	69	79 Smith Center	84
		59 Ness City	57
		67 Victoria	51
		59 Norton	68
		84 Otis-Bison	93
		57 Stockton	43
		46 St. Francis	72

1997-98 Boys' Basketball Team Members. Row 1: Mgr. B. Neumann, C. Amrein, T. Walker, S. Shubert, G. Andrews, A. Taylor, S. Befort, H. Hernandez, A. Campbell and Mgr. T. Keller. Row 2: Mgr. K. Weber, D. Schoenthaler, S. Sommers, J. Homewood, J. Kohl, M. Shepherd, B. Schoenthaler, W. Rathbun, L. Karlin and T. Fisher. Row 3: D. Johnson, C. Zerfas, L. LaBarge, A. Heroneme, P. Waldschmidt, C. Honas, R. Sandlin, C. Mickelson, J. Leiker, C. Becker and Coach C. Rorabaugh. (Photo by Pioneer Photography)

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

EHS	OPP	EHS	OPP
63 Phillipsburg	51	63 Victoria	57
58 Bazine	43	52 Plainville	57
55 Healy	59	43 Quinter	50
58 LaCrosse	59	40 Smith Center	72
73 Palco	27	46 Ness City	61
52 Osborne	86	71 Victoria	50
45 Stockton	65	46 Norton	48
46 Trego	71	52 Otis-Bison	78
29 Hill City	41	36 Quinter	54
57 Phillipsburg	60		
66 Victoria	49		



1997-98 Girls' Basketball Team Members. Row 1: Mgr. A. Weber. Row 2: K. Bieker, S. Shepherd, K. Young, N. Waldschmidt, T. Keller, L. Bradstreet, C. Kinderknecht, A. Keller and E. Fischer. Row 3: Asst. Coach M. Marez, E. Edmonds, K. Hazen, J. Tway, B. Lang, A. Madorin, B. Bartlett, K. Rorabaugh, M. Smith, B. Dinkel and Coach R. Young. (Photo by Pioneer Photography)

1997-98 Wrestling Team Members.
Asst. Coach K. Martin, D. Fuchs, D. Yanda, J. Luea, B. Pfeifer, M. LaBarge, T. Watson, C. LaBarge, B. Seibel, C. Amrein, M. Dinkel and Coach C. Dinkel. Not pictured: A. Wade (Photo by Linda Riedel)



WRESTLING

Tournament	Place
Osborne	4th
Ellsworth	2nd
Prairie Classic-Hays	5th
Phillipsburg Classic	6th
Regionals-Ellis	5th

Duels			
EHS	OPP	EHS	OPP
18 Hoisington	51	33 Stockton	37
56 TMP	18	43 Osborne	33
33 Trego	37	17 Plainville	53
43 Hill City	33	17 Norton	56

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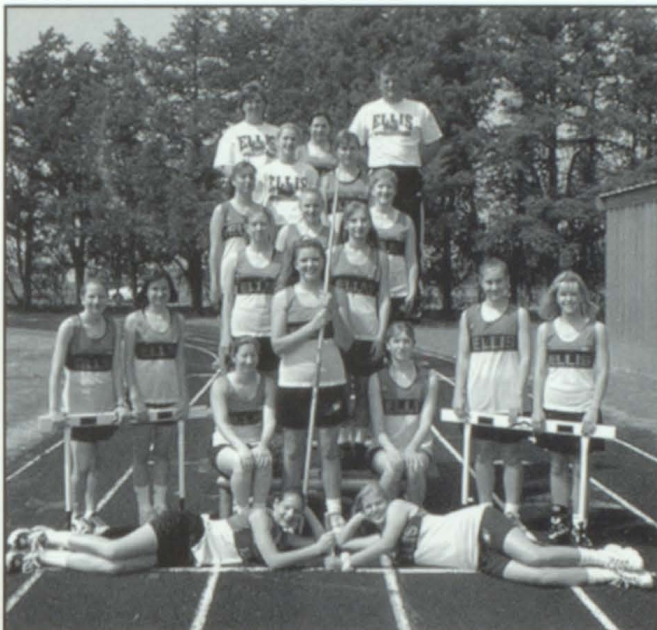
<u>Meet</u>	<u>Place</u>
Ellis Invitational	2nd
LaCrosse Invitational	2nd
Ellis Classic	3rd
Pawnee Heights Invitational	2nd
Victoria Invitational	3rd
MC L-Phillipsburg	5th
Regionals-Hill City	7th
State-Wichita	9th



1998 Boys' Track Team Members. Row 1: Mgr. A. Saindon, T. Watson, J. Luea, B. Seibel, B. Schoenthaler and J. Homewood. Row 2: Asst. Coach P. Irwin, M. Shepherd, J. Kohl, C. Amrein, C. Honas, R. Fink, A. Wade and Coach J. Wolf. Not pictured: P. Waldschmidt and R. Sandlin. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

GIRLS' TRACK

<u>Meet</u>	<u>Place</u>
Ellis Invitational	9th
LaCrosse Invitational	2nd
Ellis Classic	4th
Pawnee Heights Invitational	9th
Victoria Invitational	1st
MCL-Phillipsburg	7th
Regionals-Hill City	11th
State-Wichita	DNP



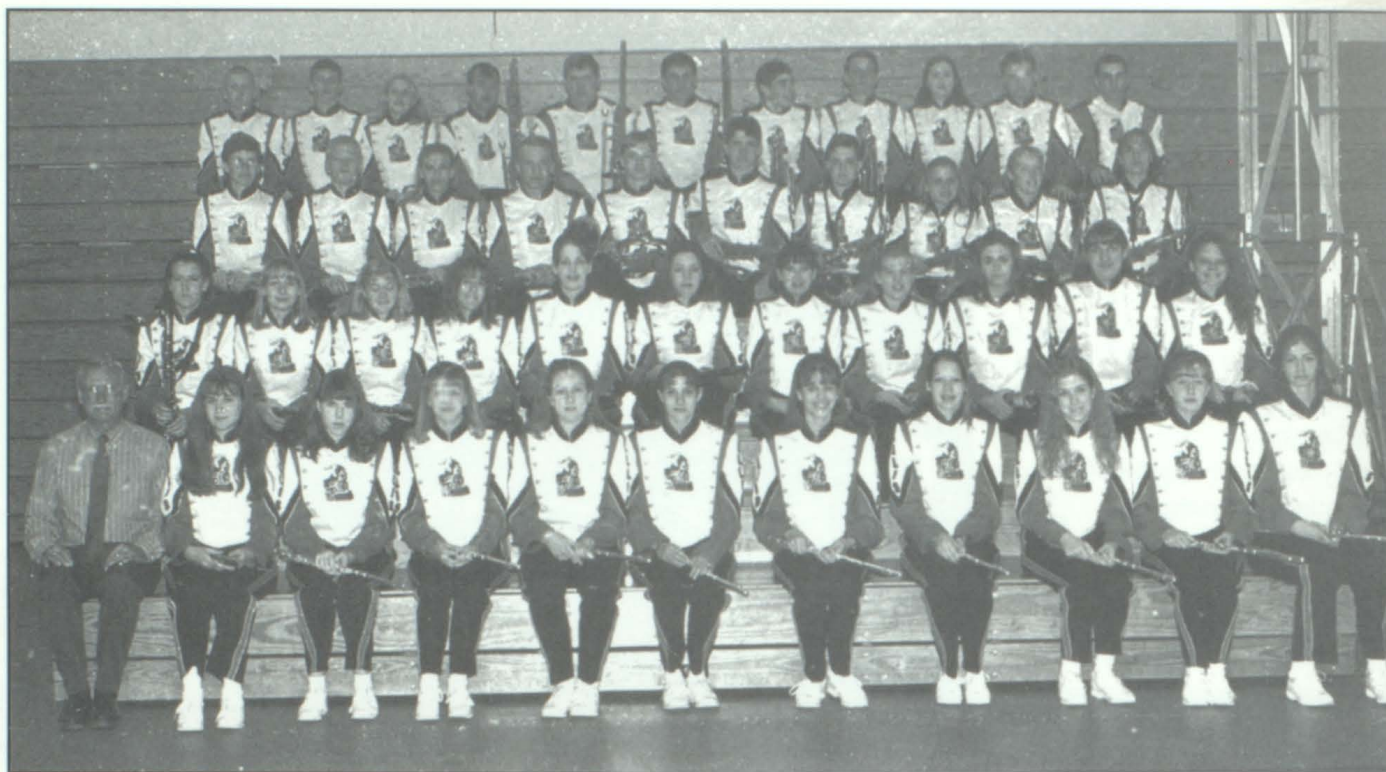
1998 Girls' Track Team Members. Row 1: W. Hauschild and C. Kinderknecht. Row 2: P. Augustine, T. Kroeger, A. Keller, K. Rorabaugh, A. Madorin, E. Edmonds and K. Kohl. Row 3: D. Augustine, S. Shepherd, N. Waldschmidt, J. Homewood and M. Zerfas. Row 4: Asst. Coach P. Irwin, Mgr. K. Hazen, A. Weber, K. Young and Coach C. Rorabaugh. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

1998 Golf Team Members. Row 1: Coach J. Kolacny, S. Shubert, T. Keller, N. Keller, E. Schuster, P. Bollig and A. Campbell. Row 2: S. Mickelson, B. Neumann, J. Luea, J. Wickham, C. Mickelson and T. Fisher. Not pictured: T. Keller. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



GOLF

<u>Meet</u>	<u>Place</u>
Ellis	1st
Oberlin	6th
Hays	1st
Phillipsburg	2nd
Trego	1st
TMP	4th
Hill City	1st
MCL-Smith Center	4th
Regionals-Ellis	1st
State-Salina	2nd



1997-98 Band Members. Row 1: Director B. Dietz, K. Young, S. Wolf, K. Kohl, E. Edmonds, A. Saindon, sec.; F. Waldschmidt, W. Hauschild, A. Karlin, S. Shepherd and M. Smith. Row 2: E. Fischer, J. Homewood, L. Dorzweiler, S. Riedel, J. Tway, B. Dinkel, T. Kroeger, C. Kinderknecht, A. Eaton, K. Weimer and J. Yanda. Row 3: J. Schuster, B. Schoenthaler, L. Bradstreet, M. Shepherd, vice-president; N. Harwick, librarian; D. Fuchs, N. Keller, N. Waldschmidt, D. Honas and A. Weimer. Row 4: J. Kohl, D. Schoenthaler, K. Hazen, P. Bollig, J. Ball, B. Pfeifer, B. Seibel, stuco rep.; T. Keller, M. Honas, C. Zerfas and A. Campbell. Not pictured: L. Ziegler, president; K. Weber, T. DeMars, J. DeBolt and A. Taylor. (Photo by Heidi Schmidt)

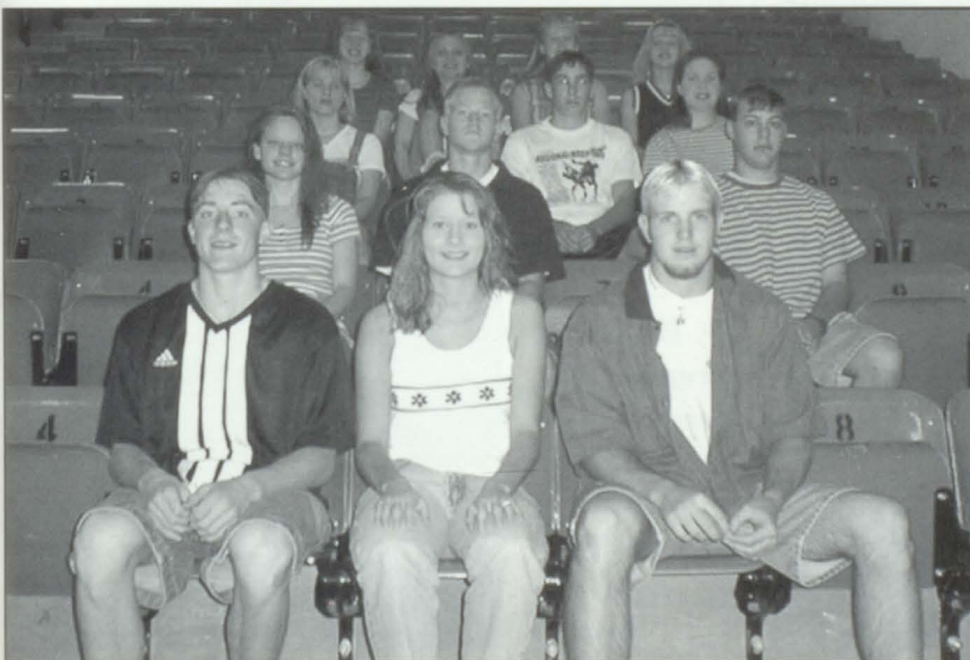
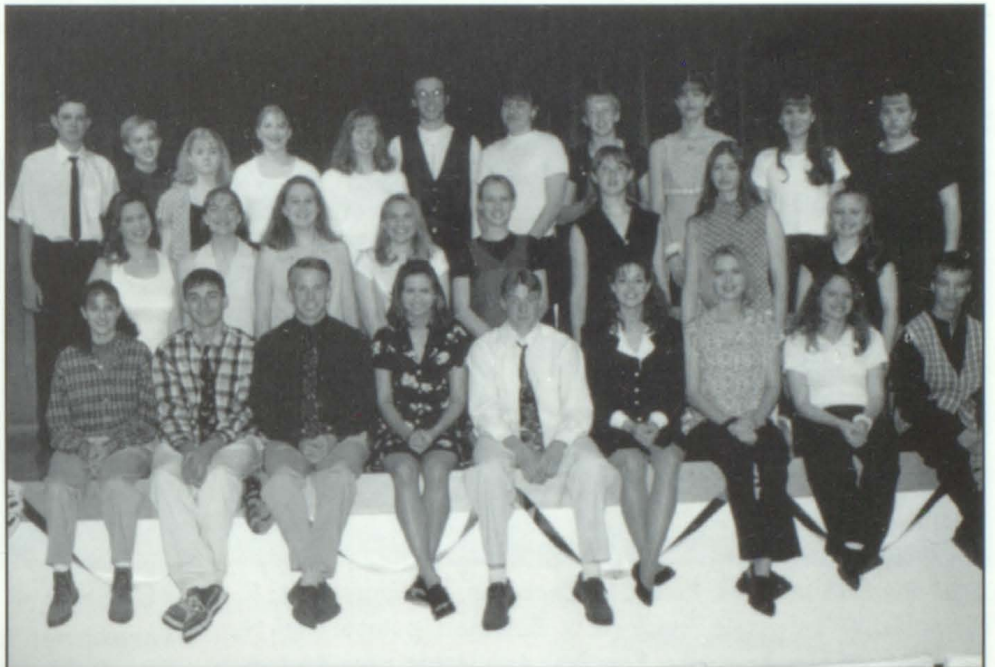


1997-98 Choir Members. Row 1: S. Riedel, N. Waldschmidt, P. Augustine, J. Waldschmidt, S. Shannon, J. Kohl, M. Shepherd, R. Fisher, K. Bieker, S. Wolf, D. Augustine and L. Dorzweiler. Row 2: B. Dinkel, J. Yanda, A. Saindon, T. Kroeger, K. Kohl, T. Fisher, M. Dinkel, C. Becker, S. Shepherd, K. Young, S. LaBarge and A. Weimer. Row 3: J. Beiker, C. Kinderknecht, D. Honas, E. Fischer, A. Keller, A. Wade, C. Zerfas, J. Homewood, D. Fuchs, J. DeBolt, T. Keller, A. Kuhn, L. Ziegler, W. Hauschild, K. Hazen and B. Bradstreet. Row 4: M. Smith, J. Homewood, E. Edmonds, M. Honas, F. Waldschmidt, K. Weimer, A. Taylor, N. Harwick, R. Newton, C. Honas, J. Leiker, B. Bartlett, B. Nowlin, S. Befort, K. Rorabaugh, L. Anderson and B. Lang. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



1997-98 Railairre Members. Row 1: J. Kohl, M. Shepherd and A. Wade. Row 2: M. Honas, L. Ziegler, K. Hazen and A. Saindon. Row 3: C. Honas, K. Kohl, T. Keller, N. Harwick, A. Campbell, F. Waldschmidt, M. Smith, S. Shannon and K. Rorabaugh. (Photo by June Howard)

1998 Forensics Members. Row 1: A. Saindon, C. Honas, M. Shepherd, A. Eaton, A. Wade, S. Kohl, H. Schmidt, J. Yanda and W. Rathbun. Row 2: M. Honas, A. Weimer, E. Edmonds, K. Bieker, K. Hazen, A. Madorin, M. Smith and N. Waldschmidt. Row 3: N. Keller, S. Shannon, L. Dorzweiler, M. Zerfas, S. Shepherd, S. Shubert, K. Weimer, D. Honas, F. Waldschmidt, K. Young and K. Weber. (Photo by Linda Riedel)



1997-98 class officers. Row 1: Seniors A. Wade, president; K. Brown, vice-president; and J. Luea, treasurer. Row 2: Juniors J. Yanda, president; B. Schoenthaler, vice-president; and P. Bollig, secretary. Row 3: Sophomores C. Kinderknecht, president; B. Seibel, treasurer; and M. Honas, secretary. Row 4: Freshmen S. Shepherd, president; N. Waldschmidt, vice-president; D. Honas, treasurer; and K. Kohl, secretary. Not pictured: Senior C. Amrein, secretary; Junior L. Zeigler, treasurer; and Sophomore D. Schoenthaler, vice-president (Photo by Linda Reidel)

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1997-98 FHA officers. Row 1: M. Zachman, vice-president; R. Solomon, VP of public relations; V. Solomon, points; and H. Schmidt, VP of star events. Row 2: C. Augustine, president; A. Kuhn, treasurer; S. Schartz, stuco rep.; M. Smith, secretary; and V. Duell, Advisor. Not pictured: G. Hilbrink, historian. (Photo by Ellis Review)



1997-98 FFA officers. Row 1: P. Bollig, secretary; T. Keller, vice-president; and J. Ball, reporter. Row 2: M. LaBarge, treasurer, B. Pfeifer, president; and W. Pfannenstiel, sentinel. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

1997-98

kayette officers.

Row 1: K. Brown, points; A. Eaton, president; and S. Kohl, treasurer. Row 2: R. Solomon, vice-president; and L. Ziegler, secretary. (Photo by Micah Zachman)



1997-98

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Row 1: S. Kohl, secretary. Row 2: M. Shepherd, president; B. Neumann, vice-president; and C. Mickelson, treasurer. (Photo by Kristy Brown)



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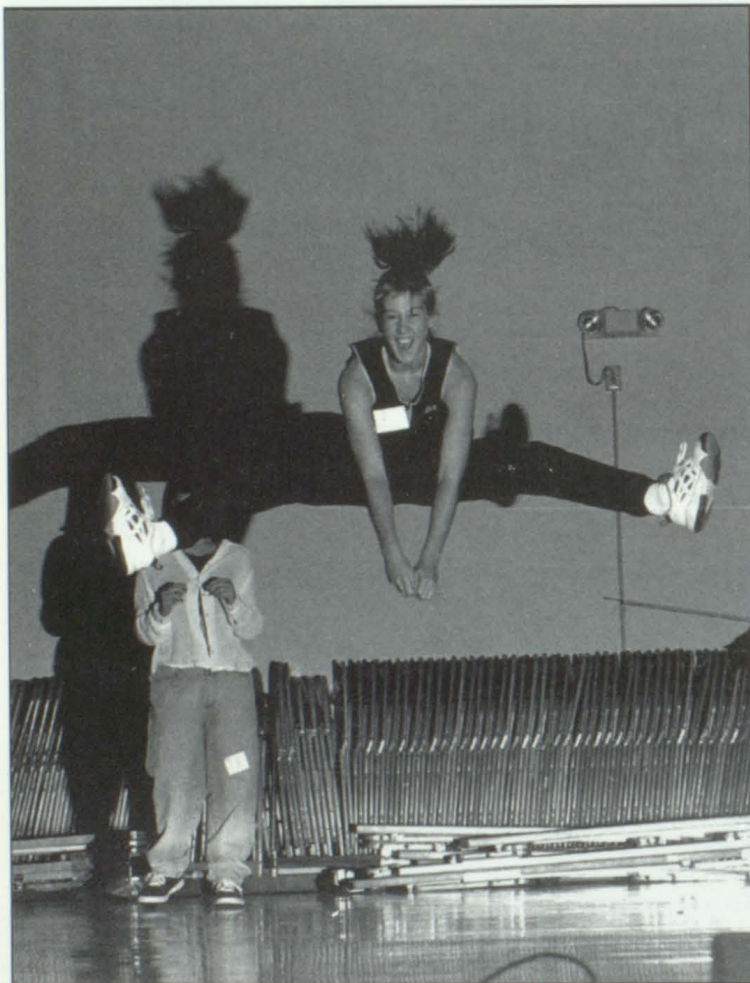
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s the year comes to an end, students shift their attention from how to get through the school year to how to get through the summer. Underclassmen walk out

the doors of Ellis High School wondering about summer jobs, the swimming pool or just being lazy. Graduating seniors leave EHS wondering about college, careers or both, wishing their diploma was an instruction book that would be handed to them as they leave. But the same high school lesson applies to life outside of high school as well...



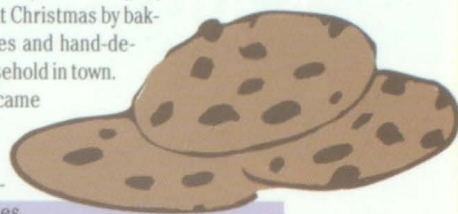
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This photo of Emily Edmonds, so., was voted picture of the year. Each photographer submitted a photo they took this year and the pictures were voted on by various teachers. (Photo by Kristy Brown)

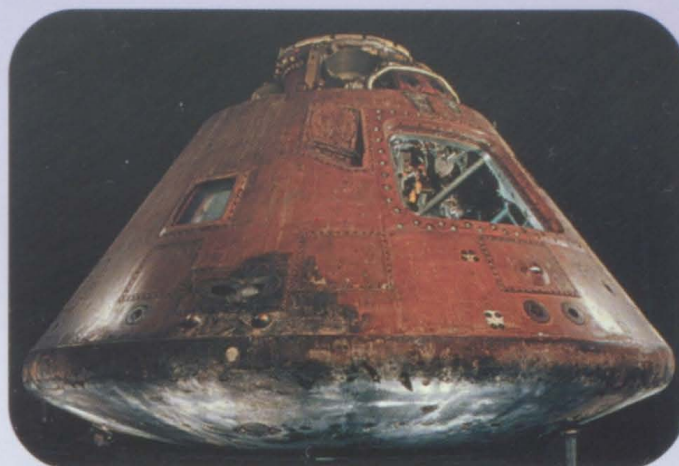
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Teens in Cimmaron surprised the people in their community at Christmas by baking over 4,000 cookies and hand-delivering to every household in town. Senior Mary Smith came up with the idea, and it became a heartfelt project involving all the churches.



Osborne High School Senior Denise Guttery was chosen from 272,400 students nationwide to co-edit the May 3 edition of USA Weekend.



Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center became the permanent home for the Apollo 13 command module *Odyssey*. It has been a twelve-year project with more than 80,000 pieces and parts from around the world. The Apollo 13 mission was the most suspenseful mission in the history of manned space flight—NASA's "successful failure." *Photo courtesy Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center.*



The Kansas Sports Hall of Fame in Abilene announced this year's inductees in May. This year's class includes former Heisman Trophy winner and National Football League great Barry Sanders; former Kansas State basketball player Rolando Blackman; U.S. Olympic basketball coach Billie Moore; former Kansas State golfer and current Senior PGA Tour star Jim Colbert and the late Dev Nelson, K-State's legendary "Voice of the Wildcats." *Photo courtesy Kansas Sports Hall of Fame.*



Sabine Davidson of Junction City was sentenced to 146 months in prison for the death of 11 year old Chris Wilson near his Milford home. The conviction is of unintentional second-degree murder after her three Rottweilers attacked and killed the child while he was waiting for his school bus. All three dogs were killed shortly after the attack. *Photo by Jessica Lloyd, Wakefield HS.*

flash



The Kansas House of Representatives added \$895,000 to the budget for funding local libraries. The bill was proposed by Rep. David Adkins, R-Leawood, and passed 96-25. This additional funding will focus on the day-to-day operations of libraries.



Frenzied fans of all ages gathered in Salina to see the World Championship Wrestling stars. The show, which sold out immediately, was the first pro-wrestling match to come to Salina since 1993. *Photo by Davis Turner, The Salina Journal.*

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▲ Rattlesnake Roundup in Sharon Springs goes on as planned even though animal rights activists complained early in the year about the treatment of the snakes. *Photo courtesy Jackie Walker, The Western Times.*



▲ The state of Kansas finally filed a lawsuit against the state of Nebraska over the long disputed Republican River water usage. Attorney General Carla Stovall filed the suit in May claiming that Nebraska has violated the Republican River Compact regarding the distribution of the river's natural water supply between Kansas, Nebraska, and Colorado.



▲ Salinan David John Zabrin was convicted of sexual exploitation of a child for obtaining illegal child pornography through the internet. It was the first trial in Kansas where the accused was tried for receiving such material via the computer, rather than through the mail.



▲ The state Department of Human Resources was happy to report in April the lowest jobless rate since December 1979. The Department attributes the 3.3% unemployment rate to an especially strong economy in Kansas.

▶ The Governor signed House Bill 2249, which provides a \$57.4 million increase in school districts' base budgets. General state aid to school districts in Kansas will increase from \$3,670 to \$3,720 per pupil. The measure commits an additional \$20 million to school districts with enrollments exceeding 1,750 students and an additional \$6 million to school programs aimed at students considered dropout risks. *Photo Courtesy Governor's Office.*



▶ Eighty-one year-old Florine Smith fulfilled her dream of a high school diploma which had been deferred for over 60 years when she graduated from Kansas City Schlagle High School. *Photo Courtesy Kansas City Schlagle Evening School.*



▶ Mega-farms raising over 9,500 head of hogs must be approved by a vote within the county. In corporate hog farms, hogs are raised on slatted floors, the waste is flushed into earthen lagoons. In some state the lagoons have leaked or over flowed during heavy rains polluting the ground water.

flash

Governor Bill Graves signed a bill in April imposing tighter restrictions on late-term abortions. His decision surprised everyone, from abortion rights advocates to staunch opponents, but all say the issue is not over. Graves called abortion "one of the most difficult and divisive issues in public policy".

Sunbeam

▶ Wichita-based Coleman Co., which manufactures camping gear was sold to Sunbeam in March. The company is one of three companies bought by Sunbeam for close to \$2 billion. The headquarters will move out of Wichita to be housed with its new owner.

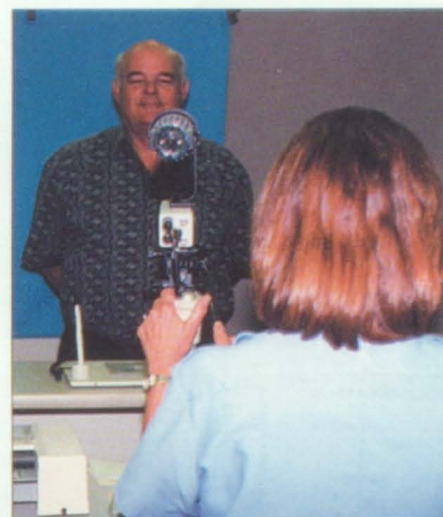
Bethel College was the recipient of a \$2.5 million donation in February. Katherine Esau, a noted plant scientist at the University of California, left the money to Bethel College when she died at the age of 99. Although she did not graduate from Bethel, nor had she even visited the campus, she viewed the Mennonite school as a deserving church school with a strong science program. *Photo courtesy Bethel College.*



Minneapolis High School art teacher Brad Nicklas traveled to Washington D.C. this winter to view his art work being displayed in the White House. His reindeer and sleigh was part of a larger scene which adorned the Green Room mantle. *Photo Courtesy White House.*



Hot Rod Magazine's annual Power Tour cross-country antique car road trip passed through Kansas in May. The 2800-mile tour started in Los Angeles and made stops in both Goodland and Salina on it's way to Michigan. Only about 450 cars made the entire trip, but more than 11,000 people joined up for part of the way. Both the stop in Goodland and in Salina drew hundreds of spectators to see the antique cars. *Photo courtesy Bonnie Hawks, North Central Kansas Technical School.*



Howard Morgan of Topeka renews his New Drivers License that will last for 6 years. As of 1998, license for persons over 21 will last for 6 years not 4. *Photo by Sheila Walker, Kansas Department of Revenue.*

High School senior Erin Day, representing Cheyenne County, was named Kansas Junior Miss in April. She received a \$2,000 scholarship for winning the state title as well as an additional \$300 for winning the talent competition and \$200 for presence and composure.



flash

After months of negotiating with the House and Senate, Governor Graves signed a \$247 million tax relief bill on April 25. This offers tax breaks for just about every Kansan, including lower school property taxes and increased personal exemptions and deductions. He hopes that the cuts will leave Kansans more money in their pockets to reinvest into the economy.



Ottawa City Commissioners elected 21-year old Blaine Finch as mayor in April. He is the youngest ever mayor in Ottawa and possibly the youngest mayor in the history of Kansas.

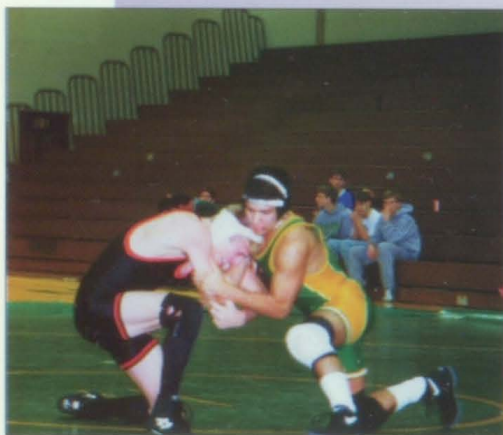
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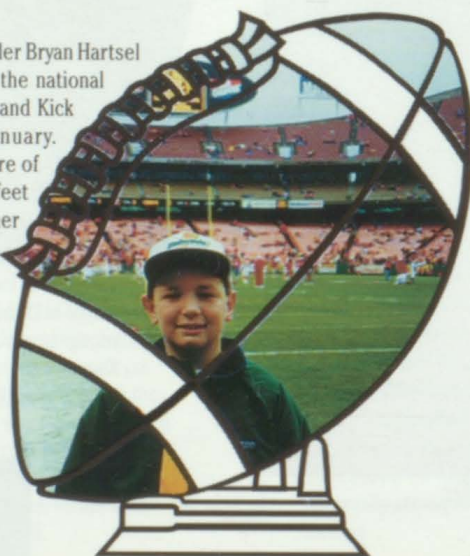


▲ National Champions from Cowley County Community College with a record of 54-9. The Tigers beat San Jacinto North of Houston, Texas 15-11 to win the National Junior College Athletic Association World Series Championship Baseball title for the second year in a row.



◀ Bo Maynes, Salina High School South, senior ends his HS wrestling career with a perfect record of 130-0. Maynes was a featured wrestler in the prestigious Dapper Dan Classic. Photo courtesy Maynes family.

▶ Concordia fourth grader Bryan Hartsel took the top spot in the national Gatorade Punt, Pass and Kick competition in January. Bryan won with a score of 221 feet, 6 inches—15 feet better than the 3 other boys in his 8-9 age group. Photo courtesy Hartsel Family.



STATE champions WALL SPORTS

Girls' Golf

- 6-5A St. Thomas Aquinas HS
- 4-3-2-1A Larned HS

Girls' Tennis

- 6A Blue Valley North HS
- 5A Arkansas City HS
- 4A Smokey Valley HS
- 3-2-1A Wichita Collegiate HS

Football

- 6A Olathe North HS
- 5A Liberal HS
- 4A Sabetha HS
- 3A Silver Lake HS
- 2A-1A Claflin HS
- 8-Man-I Centre HS
- 8 Man-II Sylvan Grove HS

Volleyball

- 6A Blue Valley Northwest HS
- 5A Bishop Carroll HS
- 4A Concordia HS
- 3A Conway Springs HS
- 2A Moundridge HS
- 1A Centralia HS

Boys' Soccer

- 6A Topeka HS
- 5-4-3-2-1A Kapaun Mt. Carmel HS

Gymnastics

- 6-5-4-3-2-1A Blue Valley North HS

Boys' X-Country

- 6A Shawnee Mission NW HS
- 5A Shawnee Mission Bishop Miege HS
- 4A Wamego HS
- 3A Southeast of Saline HS
- 2-1A Meade HS

Girls' X-Country

- 6A Shawnee Mission East HS
- 5A El Dorado HS
- 4A Ottawa HS
- 3A Riley County HS
- 2-1A Hanover HS

STATE champions WINTER SPORTS

Boys' Basketball

- 6A Olathe East HS
- 5A KS Wyndotte HS
- 4A KC Sumner Academy
- 3A Hillsboro HS
- 2A Hill City HS
- 1A Hanover HS

Girls' Basketball

- 6A Blue Valley North HS
- 5A McPherson HS
- 4A Santa Fe Trail HS
- 3A Cimarron HS
- 2A Moundridge HS
- 1A Little River HS

Wrestling

- 6A Garden City HS
- 5A Arkansas City HS
- 4A Abilene HS
- 3-2-1A Hoxie HS

Boys' Swimming & Diving

- 6-5-4-3-2-1A Blue Valley North HS

Girls' Swimming & Diving

- 6-5-4-3-2-1A Blue Valley North HS

STATE champions SPRING SPORTS

Boys' Golf

- 6A Garden City HS
- 5A Kapaun Mount Carmel HS
- 4A Ellsworth HS
- 3A Wichita Collegiate HS
- 2-1A Syracuse HS
- Sand Greens Chase County HS

Boys' Tennis

- 6A Shawnee Mission North
- 5A Salina Central HS
- 4A Pratt HS
- 3-2-1A Wichita Collegiate HS

Girls' Soccer

- 6-5-4-3-2-1A Blue Valley North HS

Boys' Track

- 6A Olathe East HS
- 5A Liberal HS
- 4A KC Sumner Academy
- 3A Riley County HS
- 2A St. John HS
- 1A Bern HS

Girls' Track

- 6A Leavenworth HS
- 5A Liberal HS
- 4A Marysville HS
- 3A Halstead HS
- 2A Garden Plain HS
- 1A Grinnell HS

Baseball

- 6A Manhattan HS
- 5A Great Bend HS
- 4A Kansas City Ward HS
- 3A Silver Lake HS
- 2-1A St. Mary's-Colgan HS

Softball

- 6A Olathe East HS
- 5A Maize HS
- 4A Desoto HS
- 3A St. Marys HS
- 2-1A Sacred Heart HS

STATE champions ACTIVITIES

Debate 2-Speaker

- 6A Washburn Rural HS
- 5A Andover HS
- 4A Tonganoxie HS
- 3-2-1A Oakley HS

Debate 4-Speaker

- 6A Hutchinson HS
- 5A Shawnee Mission Miege HS
- 4A Haven HS
- 3-2-1A Moundridge HS

Speech

- 6A Topeka HS
- 5A McPherson HS
- 4A KC Sumner Academy
- 3A Silver Lake HS
- 2A Sterling HS
- 1A South Barber HS

KSPA Sweepstakes

- 6A Olathe North HS
- 5A Kapaun Mount Carmel HS
- 4A Kansas City Piper
- 3A Humbolt HS
- 2-1A Valley Falls HS

Scholars Bowl

- 6A Wichita East HS
- 5A Shawnee Heights HS
- 4A Thomas More Prep
- 3A Nemaha Valley HS
- 2A Meade HS
- 1A Rolla HS



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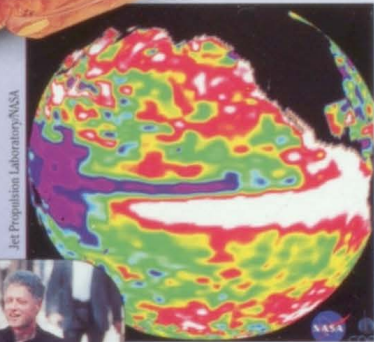


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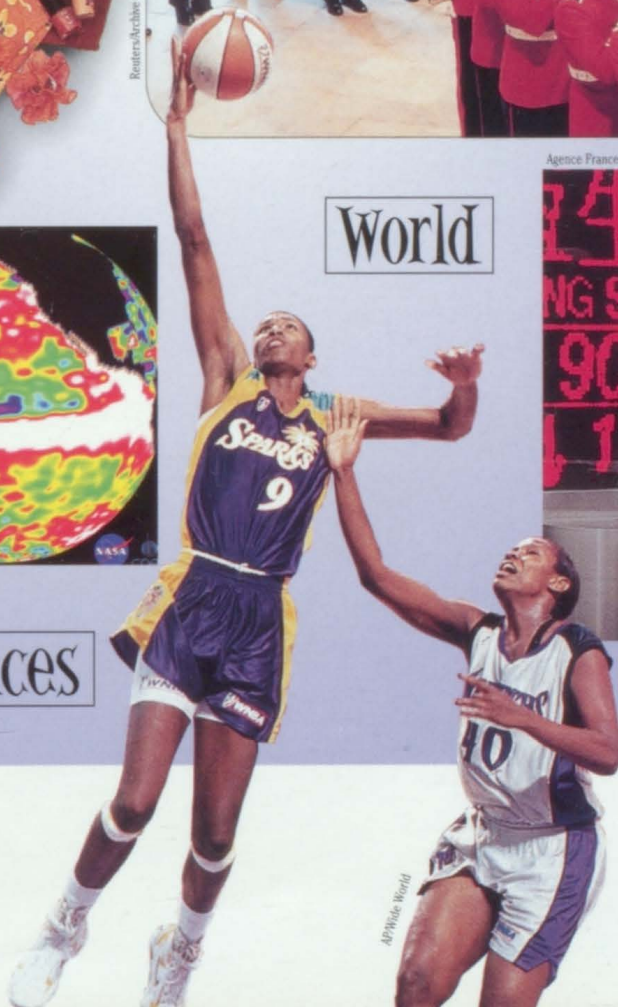
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Lifestyle



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World news



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Asian economic turmoil triggers global unrest. In October, Hong Kong's stock market crashes. Asian countries receive billions in bailout dollars from the International Monetary Fund.

Agence France-Presse



Hong Kong reverts to China at 12:01 a.m., July 1, after 156 years of British colonial rule. China says Hong Kong will continue its Western way of life and free-market economy.

A 15-day school strike in Ontario, Canada, affects 2.1 million students. Late in October, 128,000 teachers walk out to protest a controversial bill that would alter educational funding and centralize government control of education.



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Powerful earthquakes in central Italy kill 11 people and damage art treasures, including centuries-old frescoes by Italian Renaissance painters, in the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi.

Jan 1, 2000

PhotoDisc

Governments and businesses worldwide race to remedy the "Year 2000" problem. Unless key computer systems are reprogrammed to recognize dates in the new century the world faces the threat of catastrophic failure in critical areas like banking, air safety, public utilities and defense.



Savino, Sipa

Montserrat, once called "the Emerald Isle of the Caribbean," is devastated by ongoing eruptions from a volcano that had been dormant for 400 years. Two-thirds of the populace evacuates.

flash

Change sweeps Great Britain as Labor Party leader Tony Blair's landslide election in May 1997 ousts the Conservatives and makes Blair, at 44, Britain's youngest prime minister in 185 years.

Hurricane Pauline slams into Mexico's Pacific coast in October, causing flash floods, landslides and at least 200 fatalities.

The resort city of Acapulco is heavily damaged.



Archive Photos

The remains of Ernesto "Che" Guevara, martyred Marxist revolutionary, are laid to rest in Cuba in October, 30 years after his execution in Bolivia, where his bones recently had been found.



AP/Wide World

After 32 years of autocratic rule, President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire is deposed in May 1997 and later dies in exile. His successor, Laurent Kabila, changes Zaire's name to Democratic Republic of the Congo.



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Halloween fever seizes France. At the base of the Eiffel Tower in Paris 8,000 pumpkins are displayed, and French children participate in an American-style Halloween celebration.

- President Jiang Zemin of China meets for summit talks with President Bill Clinton in October, the first visit in 12 years of a Chinese leader to the U.S. During his stay, demonstrators protest China's treatment of Tibet.



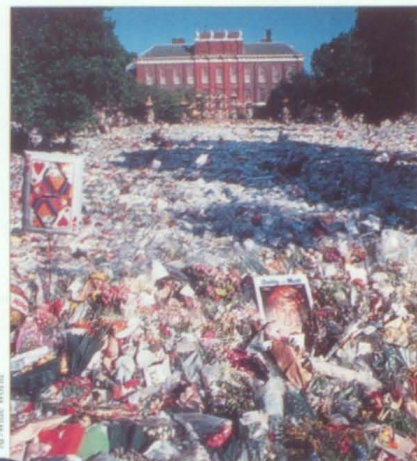
Tim Graham, Sygma

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- The death of "the people's princess" generates an emotional outpouring of love and grief, evidenced by floral tributes heaped at Diana's Kensington Palace home.

- Diana, Princess of Wales, one of the world's most famous and admired women, dies at 36 in a violent car crash in Paris on August 31.



AP/Wide World



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- One of the most poignant images of Diana's funeral: her young sons following her coffin into Westminster Abbey.

- At the funeral, Elton John performs "Candle in the Wind 1997," rewritten in tribute to Diana. The recording quickly sells more than 35 million copies, becoming the best-selling single of all time. Sales proceeds benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.



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flash

- Crisis flares again in Iraq in late 1997 as Saddam Hussein protests U.N. sanctions and blocks inspection of suspected Iraqi weapon sites.

Floods, drought and mismanagement in North Korea create a severe famine. As many as a million North Koreans die of starvation.

Pope John Paul II visits Communist Cuba in January 1998, the first time a pope has done so. During his five-day visit the pope celebrates public masses and meets privately with President Fidel Castro.



AP/Wide World

- In June, shortly before Diana's death, an auction of 79 of her evening gowns raises \$3.26 million for AIDS and cancer charities. Top price paid for a single gown: \$222,500.

National NEWS



Reuters/Archive Photos

On July 23 suspected murderer Andrew Cunanan, 27, commits suicide in Miami Beach. Cunanan was the prime suspect in a cross-country killing spree that left five dead, including fashion designer Gianni Versace.

Once-mighty Apple Computer is close to failure when arch-rival Bill Gates of Microsoft "rescues" it with a \$150 million bail-out in August. The event opens a new era of cooperation between formerly fierce competitors.



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Americans join "Stop the Violence" campaigns nationwide in an attempt to generate awareness of and solutions to the problem of violence in America.

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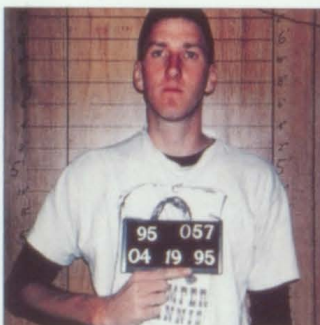
Theodore Kaczynski admits he is the Unabomber responsible for killing 3 people and injuring 29 others in an 18-year bombing campaign. His January 1998 guilty plea spares Kaczynski the death penalty but condemns him to life in prison with no possibility of release.

UPS workers take to the picket lines in an August strike lasting 15 days. The eventual settlement is seen as a major labor victory.



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British nanny Louise Woodward, 19, is convicted in Massachusetts of murdering a child in her care. The judge later reduces the charge to involuntary manslaughter and releases her.



AP/Wide World

Timothy McVeigh is convicted of murder and conspiracy in June for the April 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. McVeigh is later sentenced to death.

Brooks Kraft, Sygma



In April 1997, floods ravage the entire Red River Valley between Minnesota and the Dakotas. Ninety percent of downtown Grand Forks, North Dakota, is under water.



Jonathan Elderfield, Gamma/Liaison

Joe Camel is snuffed out as the Federal Trade Commission bans tobacco advertising aimed at minors and institutes sweeping tobacco advertising restrictions.



Patrick Heagerty, Sygma

First Lt. Kelly Flinn accepts a general discharge from the Air Force, avoiding court-martial for lying about an affair and disobeying orders. Flinn had been the first and only female B-52 pilot in the service.

- ▶ A rare urban tornado prowls through Miami on May 12, uprooting trees, shattering windows and snapping power lines. Fortunately, the storm inflicts only minor injuries.

Arthur Harvey, The Miami Herald



Reuters/Archive Photos



- ▶ Attorney General Janet Reno refuses to name an independent prosecutor to investigate Clinton administration fundraising, causing friction with FBI Director Louis Freeh.



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- ▶ Terry Nichols is found guilty of conspiracy and manslaughter in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Nichols is spared a federal death sentence in January 1998, but still faces Oklahoma state charges.

- ▶ UFO enthusiasts gather in Roswell, New Mexico, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the alleged UFO crash there in July 1947.



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- ▶ Bobbi McCaughey, Carlisle, Iowa, gives birth November 19 to seven babies, the U.S.'s first living septuplets. McCaughey and her husband Kenny now have eight children.

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- ▶ At the Internet/Online Summit in December, Vice President Al Gore announces government initiatives to protect young Internet users from online pornography.



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- ▶ Fast-food giant Burger King is forced to stop serving burgers when supplier Hudson Foods recalls 25 million pounds of hamburger suspected of contamination with *E. coli* bacteria. It is the biggest beef recall in U.S. history.

flash

The all-male Promise Keepers movement inspires praise and controversy for its message of spiritual revival and personal responsibility for men. In October, the group holds a giant rally in Washington, D.C.

Once-secret tape recordings of former presidents Kennedy and Nixon are released publicly. The tapes provide an unvarnished, and sometimes unflattering, glimpse into the two presidents' actions and conversations in the White House.



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- ▶ On October 25, at least 300,000 African-American women gather in Philadelphia for the Million Woman March. Winnie Madikizela-Mandela is one of the speakers.

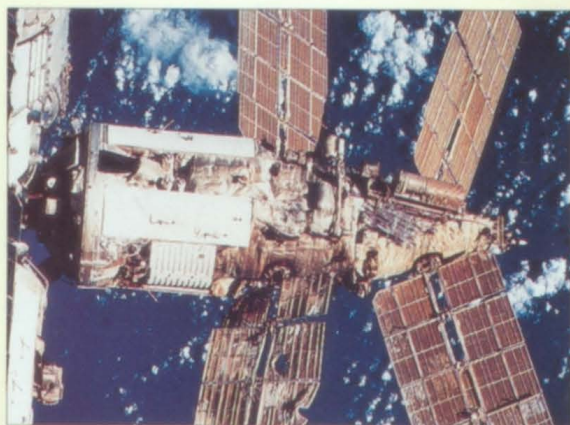
Science news



NASA

- Viewers worldwide see the first-ever high-resolution color pictures of Mars when the *Pathfinder* spacecraft lands July 4. The lander and its rover, Sojourner, collect and transmit extraordinary data for three months.

- Russia's aging *Mir* space station collides with an unmanned supply vehicle in June and is seriously damaged. This is only one in a series of crises casting doubt on the viability of the station.



NASA



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- In September, CAT scans of petrified dinosaur eggs found in China reveal a dinosaur embryo.



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- Scottish scientists in February 1997 announce the world's first cloning of an adult mammal. The sheep, named Dolly, fuels controversy over possible misuse of the technology.



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- Research produces medical breakthroughs, including a genetically engineered "bullet" molecule being tested to fight cancer and new drugs to control or prevent Parkinson's disease, osteoporosis and congestive heart failure.



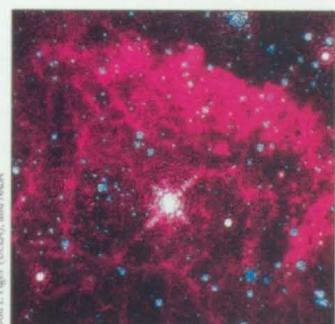
Matt Meisler/Redux

- The popular diet regimen fen-phen is pulled off the market in September. The combination of fenfluramine and phentermine is shown to cause heart valve disorders, as is the diet drug Redux, also recalled.

flash

Fuel cells that convert a fuel's energy directly into electricity are being developed for use in cars, making possible an efficient, low-emission car of the future.

The first prescription pill for male-pattern baldness is approved by the Food and Drug Administration in December. The drug Propecia is made by Merck and Company.



Don F. Figer (UCLA), and NASA

- Aided by the Hubble Space Telescope, astronomers discover the Pistol Star—the brightest star yet observed in the Milky Way. The Pistol Star is 25,000 light years from Earth.

AP/Wide World



- For \$8.36 million, Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History buys "Sue," the most complete *Tyrannosaurus rex* fossil yet discovered. The sale occurs October 4 at Sotheby's in New York.

- ▶ Comet Hale-Bopp captures imaginations worldwide as it streaks past Earth for the first time in 4,200 years—or, since 2203 B.C. Hale-Bopp next returns in 4397.

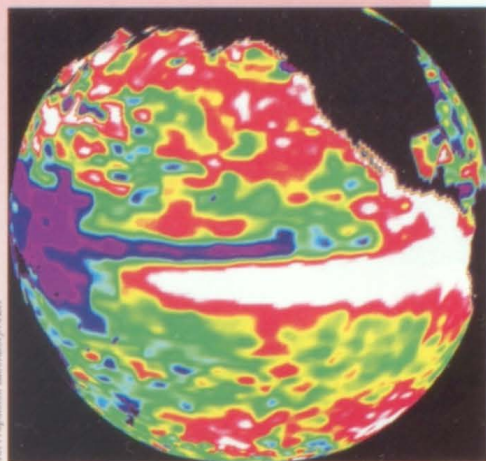
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- ▶ On October 13, the British jet car *Thrust SSC* becomes the first vehicle to break the sound barrier on land, traveling 766.6 miles per hour in the Nevada desert.



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Jet Propulsion Laboratory/NASA

- ▶ El Niño stirs up global weather patterns. Caused by warmer-than-normal water temperatures in the equatorial Pacific, the '97 El Niño is blamed for storms and weather problems worldwide.



Reuters/Archive Photos

- ▶ Protesters unsuccessfully attempt to prevent the October launch of NASA's *Cassini* spacecraft to Saturn, fearing an accident could shower the Earth with the rocket's radioactive plutonium.

- ▶ In December, 159 nations gather in Kyoto, Japan, and negotiate a climate treaty to combat global warming by reducing greenhouse gases.



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- ▶ The Food and Drug Administration approves a dental laser for treating cavities. Unlike traditional dental drills, the laser in most cases causes virtually no discomfort.



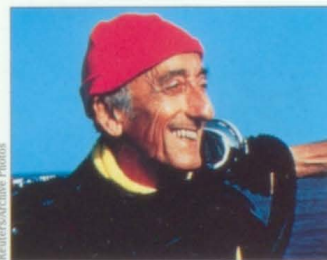
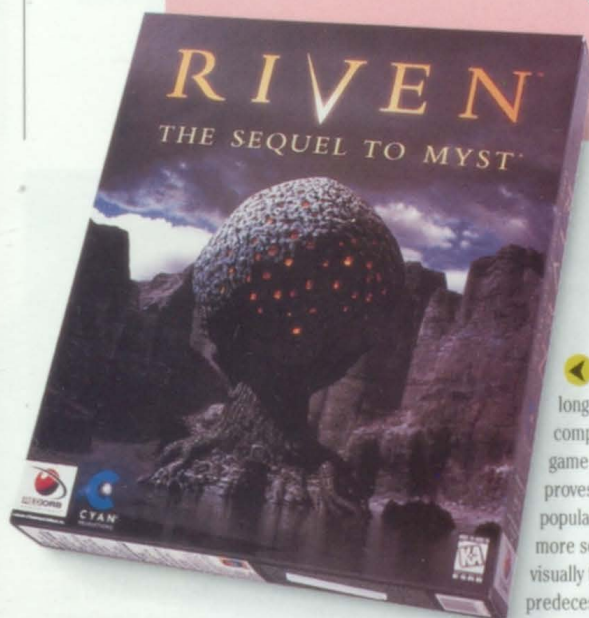
Premier Laser Systems, Inc.

flash

Hong Kong authorities in December order the slaughter of more than a million chickens in an effort to halt the spread of a bird flu virus that killed six people.

The space shuttle *Columbia* releases the errant *Spartan* satellite in November. U.S. astronaut Winston Scott and Takao Doi, the first Japanese astronaut to do a space walk, retrieve the satellite for return to Earth.

- ▶ Riven, the long-awaited computer adventure game sequel to *Myst*, proves to be just as popular and even more sophisticated visually than its predecessor.



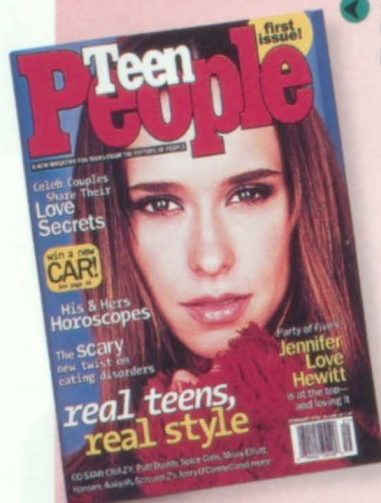
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- ▶ French oceanographer and award-winning filmmaker Jacques Cousteau dies in June at 87. His work gained renown through the popular television series "The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau."

NEWS

Science

Lifestyle NEWS



Teen People, a savvy monthly magazine for and about teenagers, premieres in February 1998.



Fashion advertising and clothing trends inspire the popularity of the color orange, which replaces neon green as the fad color of the year.



AP/Wide World

In October, a cyberfashion show at the M.I.T. Media Lab Wearable Symposium features fashions with built-in computer devices and electronic hardware. M.I.T. students designed the high-tech fashions.



©Steve Granitz, Retna

Fashion looks to the Far East. The stick-on bindi, a tiny decorative accent worn in the middle of the forehead, is popularized by Gwen Stefani, lead singer of the band No Doubt.



AP/Wide World



Princess Diana tribute merchandise abounds, including a double CD set and a new Beanie Baby named Princess, a royal purple bear adorned with a rose. Profits benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.

flash

Nike introduces a new "I Can" advertising campaign on New Year's Day. The company does not plan to abandon its "Just Do It" slogan, introduced in 1985, which will continue to appear on T-shirts and posters.

Diet Scent Patches are introduced in June by Slimline, a British company. Designed to help people diet successfully, the small arm stickers produce an unpleasant odor to discourage the wearer from eating sweets.



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Platform shoes, a fashion statement during the disco '70s, make a style comeback in a big way in 1997, inspiring even platform sneakers.



AP/Wide World

"Two Fat Ladies" becomes the Food Network's hottest new cooking show in the U.S., attracting fans with its unconventional British stars, two overweight, middle-aged women.

This year's look in cosmetics is glimmering, sparkling and colorful. Riding this wave, cosmetics giant Christian Dior introduces Mascara Flash, temporary hair color in a variety of outrageous tints.



Christian Dior

- ▶ The Chevrolet Corvette is named *Motor Trend* magazine's 1998 Car of the Year.

General Motors



- ▶ A new \$50 bill featuring a larger, off-center portrait of President Ulysses S. Grant is unveiled in October. Design details make the bill more difficult to forge.



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Softer Hairstyle

Smaller Chest

Larger Waist

Smaller Hips



- ▶ After nearly 40 years, Mattel's Barbie doll takes on a more realistic face and body shape than the Barbie of the '60s. The new doll will begin to appear in stores in early 1998.



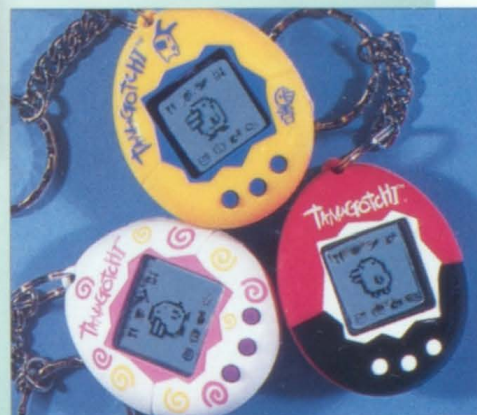
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- ▶ Mattel introduces Share a Smile Becky in May 1997. Seated in a bright pink wheelchair, the doll is marketed as a friend to the traditional Barbie.



Karl Steinbreuer

- ▶ Mehndi, intricate designs painted on the body with henna dye, is a popular expression of the fashion trend toward Eastern themes and patterns.



- ▶ Digital "pets" are a 1997 toy craze. These virtual critters keep their owners busy by beeping when they need care or feeding. If ignored, they "die."

flash

As many as 700 school districts nationwide teach "emotional intelligence," aiming to develop children's values and people skills as well as their minds.

Beepers are a status symbol and a lifestyle must-have for many teens juggling school, jobs and after-school activities. More than 40 million beepers are carried in the U.S., an estimated 25 percent of them by people between the ages of 12 and 24. In some schools, beepers are forbidden as disruptive.



- ▶ Canada issues a Superhero postage stamp series that includes a 45-cent stamp featuring the colorful, comic-book image of Superman.



Popular board games appear on CD-ROM in ever-growing numbers, including interactive favorites Monopoly, Scrabble, Sorry, Risk and Boggle.

Entertainment news

ABC from the Kobal Collection



ABC's gritty police drama "NYPD Blue" remains one of the most popular one-hour dramas on television in 1997, capturing four Emmy Awards.

► *The Lost World*, Steven Spielberg's *Jurassic Park* sequel, breaks summer box-office records everywhere. It earns \$229 million in the U.S.



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► Jerry Seinfeld, creator and star of the NBC hit "Seinfeld," announces in December that the 1997-1998 season is the show's last. The final episode airs in May, ending the popular show's nine-year run.



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► Comedian Chris Farley dies at 33 of a drug overdose on December 18. He starred in NBC's "Saturday Night Live" and movies including *Tommy Boy* and *Beverly Hills Ninja*.

Columbia/Manday from the Kobal Collection



► Horror films draw teenagers to the box office. *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, starring Jennifer Love Hewitt and Sarah Michelle Gellar, is one of the year's biggest attractions.

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In its second season, the WB's campy sitcom "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" blossoms into a huge favorite with many viewers.

Jenny McCarthy stars in a new fall NBC comedy "Jenny" that, in January 1998, goes into hiatus only a few months into its first season. McCarthy had been an MTV personality before moving to the network.



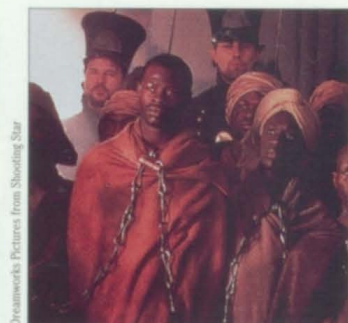
Fox from Shooting Star

► Fox network launches "King of the Hill," an animated show that focuses on the lives of a propane dealer from Texas and his family. The show goes on to become a smash hit.



Dimension Films from the Kobal Collection

► *Scream 2*, the chilling hit sequel to *Scream*, is a wildly successful mix of carnage and comedy starring Neve Campbell, Jerry O'Connell, Tori Spelling, Jada Pinkett and a host of other stars.



Dreamworks Pictures from Shooting Star

► Critically acclaimed *Amistad*, directed by Steven Spielberg, tells the story of an 1839 slave ship mutiny. The film culminates years of effort by producer Debbie Allen to bring the story to life.

▶ Religion is a common theme on eight fall-season network TV shows inspired by the success of CBS's "Touched by an Angel" starring Roma Downey, Della Reese and John Dye. New programs include ABC's "Nothing Sacred" and "Teen Angel."

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▶ *Titanic* is a huge critical and box-office success. The movie event of the year, this \$200 million picture is the most costly in history. After 45 days in the theaters, *Titanic* had earned \$308 million.

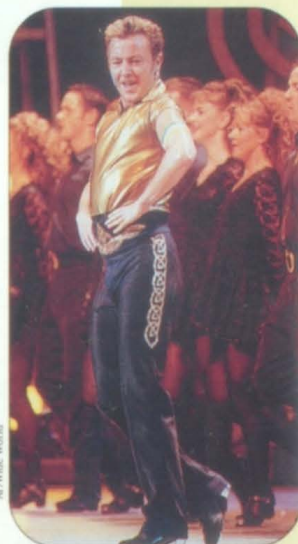


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▶ *Star Wars* captures a new generation of fans when George Lucas re-releases the film trilogy 20 years after the first film was shown. In Washington, D.C., the National Air and Space Museum mounts a huge exhibition of now-historic *Star Wars* artifacts.



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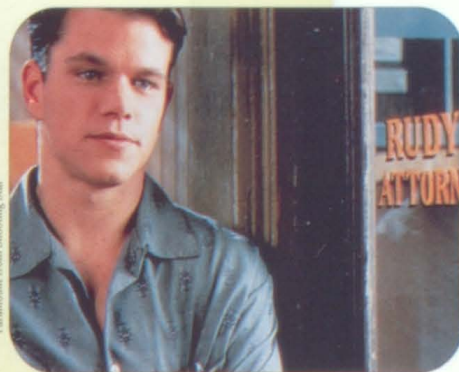
▶ Michael Flatley's pulsating show "Lord of the Dance" fuels the extraordinary popularity of Irish dance. The show tours 15 cities in the U.S. through October.

▶ In the fall, Fox debuts "Ally McBeal," a comedy/drama starring Calista Flockhart as a young Boston attorney. The show captures a Golden Globe Award in January 1998 for best series/musical or comedy.



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▶ Matt Damon stars as an attorney in *The Rainmaker*, a movie based on the John Grisham novel. Damon's successes also include the film *Good Will Hunting*.



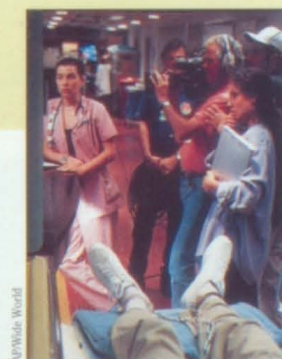
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▶ Summer blockbuster *Men in Black* grosses more than \$500 million worldwide to become 1997's biggest hit. The sci-fi comedy stars Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones.

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The Wonderful World of Disney presents its adaptation of "Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella" on ABC, starring Brandy as Cinderella and Whitney Houston as the Fairy Godmother.

Tomorrow Never Dies, starring Pierce Brosnan as 007, is a holiday box-office hit and confirms the enduring popularity of James Bond movies.



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▶ The 1997 season premiere episode of "ER" is broadcast live and draws 42.7 million viewers for NBC, including those who watch it on a giant screen in Times Square.

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▶ Fiona Apple, 20, one of rock's female superstars, is named MTV's Best New Artist in a Video. Her single "Criminal" soars to the top of the charts.

◀ Chumbawamba's hit single "Tubthumping" brings long-awaited success to this British band. The song becomes popular at pro sports events, kicking off games for several teams.



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▶ With their hit single "MMMBop," three young brothers from Tulsa become one of the biggest breakthrough acts of 1997 as the band Hanson.

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▶ Rap artist the Notorious B.I.G. is killed in a March 1997 drive-by shooting in Los Angeles. He is posthumously awarded MTV's 1997 Best Rap Video Award for "Hypnotize" and is named *Spin* magazine's Artist of the Year.



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▶ Lilith Fair, an all-female summer rock concert, draws large crowds on its 37-stop tour. Canadian singer-songwriter Sarah McLachlan masterminds the festival and releases a hit album, *Surfacing*.

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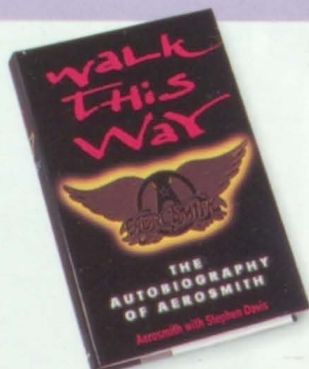
Drummer Bill Berry leaves R.E.M. after 17 years with the popular rock group. R.E.M. plans to continue as a trio.

Kenny G. enters the *Guinness Book of World Records* for holding the longest musical note—45 minutes, 47 seconds—on his saxophone.

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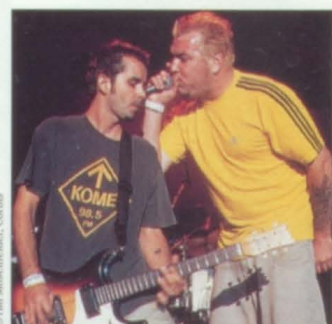


▶ Country music superstar Garth Brooks releases *Sevens*, his first album in two years. The album sells 800,000 copies the first week.



▶ *Walk This Way: The Autobiography of Aerosmith* chronicles the long career of the band notorious for its excesses in the '70s and '80s. The group's new album *Nine Lives* is nominated for a 1998 Grammy.

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▶ Smash Mouth popularizes a genre of alternative rock known as neo-ska with its hit single "Walkin' on the Sun" and debut album *Fush Yu Mang*.

- British pop phenomenon, the Spice Girls, makes millions with mega-hits such as "Wannabe" and sells 14 million albums and 10 million singles.

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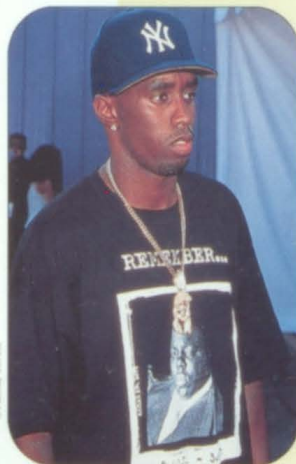
- Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys engineers the second Tibetan Freedom Concert, held in June in New York, offering 27 music acts and a free-Tibet political message.



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- Third Eye Blind, after several years in San Francisco's underground music scene, goes big time in 1997. Their song "Semi-Charmed Life" is listed as the top-selling modern rock single for 1997 in *Billboard* magazine.

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- The album *No Way Out* by Puff Daddy & the Family goes multiplatinum. Puffy's single "I'll Be Missing You," an elegy to his friend the Notorious B.I.G., also tops the charts.

- Sixteen-year-old R&B phenom Jonny Lang opens the Rolling Stones' fall tour and spends 16 weeks at No. 1 on *Billboard's* blues chart with his album *Lie to Me*.



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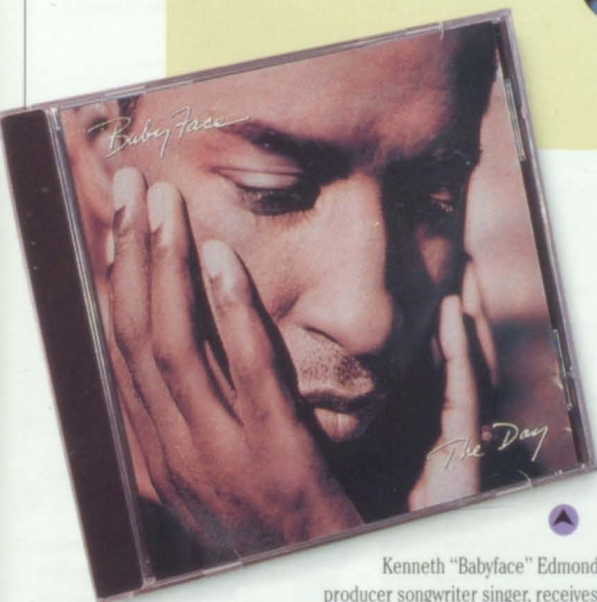
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Metallica releases a seventh album, *Re-Load*, that confirms its position as the premier heavy-metal band in the music world.

Radiohead is *Spin* magazine's Band of the Year. Critics praise Radiohead's album *OK Computer*, variously described as haunting, revolting, inscrutable, stunning and gorgeous. The album receives a 1998 Grammy nomination for Rock/Pop Album of the Year.

- At 15, country music sensation LeAnn Rimes sells more than 12.5 million recordings in the U.S. in 1997 and is named *Billboard* Music Awards Artist of the Year. Her single "How Do I Live" is one of the year's best sellers.

Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds, superstar producer songwriter singer, receives more 1998 Grammy nominations than any other artist, including one for his album *The Day*. Edmonds and wife Tracey also produce the film *Soul Food* in 1997.



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▶ In July, 16-year-old Swiss tennis star Martina Hingis becomes the youngest Wimbledon champion since 1887. Hingis wins three of the four 1997 Grand Slam events.

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▶ The Florida Marlins are baseball's 1997 World Series champs and the first team ever to win the Series without winning its league pennant. The Marlins defeat the Cleveland Indians in seven games.

▶ Quarterback John Elway leads the Denver Broncos to a 31-24 victory over the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII in San Diego, January 25, 1998. It is Elway's first Super Bowl win in four appearances.



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▶ Tiger Woods, 21, becomes the youngest golfer ever to win the Masters Tournament. His 18-under-par score sets a Masters record. Woods wins 3 other tournaments and sets a PGA Tour earnings record of \$2.1 million for the season.



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▶ Mike Tyson bites off part of Evander Holyfield's ear and is disqualified in the WBA Heavyweight rematch in June 1997. Tyson is fined nearly \$3 million and his boxing license is revoked.

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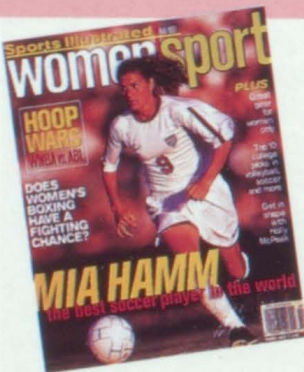
Swedish golfing phenomenon Annika Sorenstam, 26, tops the LPGA earnings list in 1997 with a record \$1,236,789.

Professional sports salaries keep skyrocketing. One of the most publicized of 1997 is Kevin Garnett's \$126 million contract to play basketball for the Minnesota Timberwolves.



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▶ Pittsburgh Penguins' Mario Lemieux retires in April 1997 after a spectacular comeback from Hodgkin's disease and injury. Lemieux is elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in September.



▶ In April 1997, the premier issue of *Sports Illustrated Women* hits the newsstands. The magazine reflects the explosive growth of female participation in sports.



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▶ Charles Woodson, Michigan's versatile junior cornerback, becomes the first primarily defensive player to win the Heisman Trophy, awarded in December.

- ▶ Jeff Gordon, at 26, wins the 1997 NASCAR Winston Cup, his second Winston Cup point title in three years. Gordon's 1997 points total 4,710.

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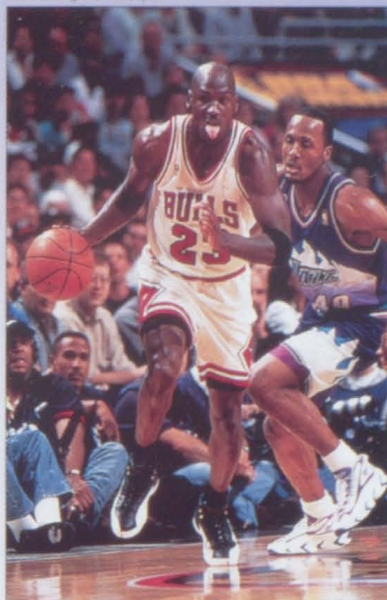
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- ▶ Detroit Red Wings captain Steve Yzerman powers his team to the 1997 Stanley Cup championship, its first in 42 years, by sweeping the Philadelphia Flyers in four games.

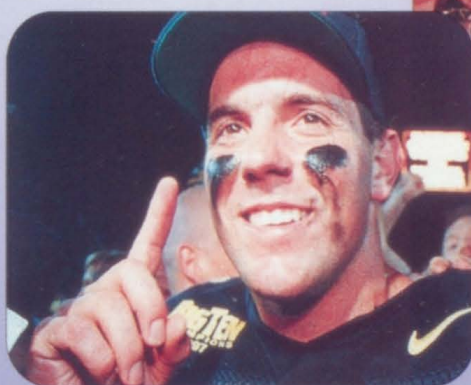
- ▶ The Chicago Bulls beat the Utah Jazz in June 1997 for their fifth NBA championship in seven years. Michael Jordan is chosen Finals MVP a record fifth time.

Scott Cunningham, NBA/Allsport



- ▶ When the college football season ends, two teams share the national championship. Michigan (12-0) is named No. 1 by the sports writers' poll, and Nebraska (13-0) by the coaches' poll.

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Women officiate in an all-male professional sports league for the first time. The pioneers, Dee Kanter and Violet Palmer, are referees in the NBA.

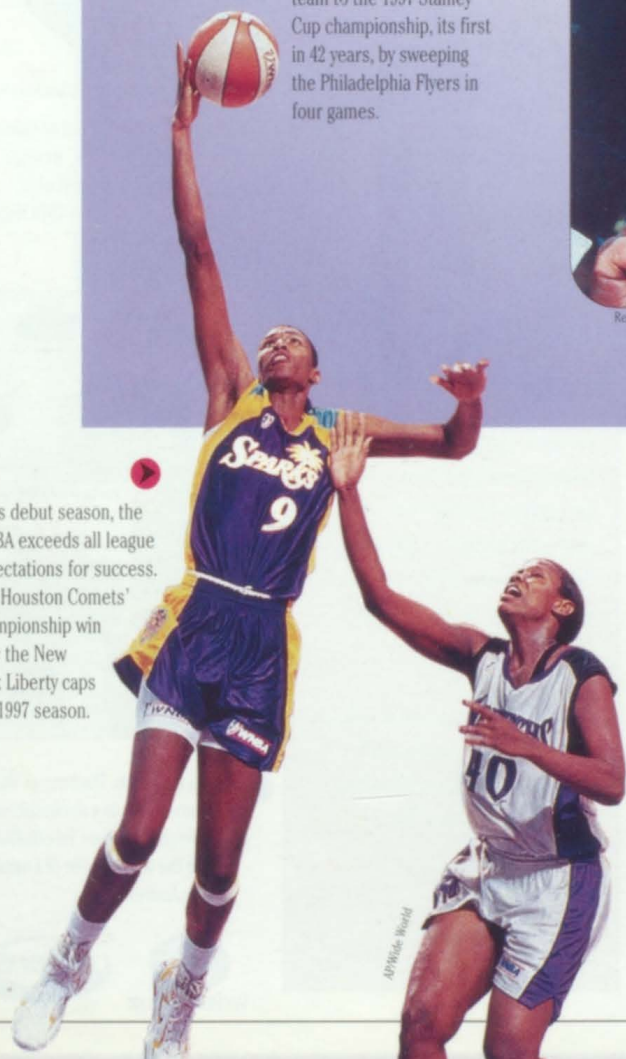
Mark McGwire, of the St. Louis Cardinals, slams 52 homers in 1996 and 58 in 1997. McGwire becomes only the second player in baseball history with back-to-back, 50-home-run seasons, the other being Babe Ruth.

- ▶ Nagano, Japan, hosts the 1998 Winter Olympic Games during February. Three new medal sports make their Olympic debut: curling, snowboarding and women's ice hockey.



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In its debut season, the WNBA exceeds all league expectations for success. The Houston Comets' championship win over the New York Liberty caps the 1997 season.



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- ▶ Dean Smith, winningest coach in college basketball history, retires in October after 36 seasons at North Carolina. *Sports Illustrated* names him 1997 Sportsman of the Year.

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- Miss Illinois, Katherine Shindle, is crowned Miss America 1998. For the first time in its 77-year history the pageant allows contestants to wear two-piece swimsuits in competition.

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- Beloved actor Jimmy Stewart dies in July at 89. Stewart's enduring nice-guy popularity is exemplified by *It's a Wonderful Life*, his 1946 movie that is now an American cultural icon.



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- Chelsea Clinton begins her freshman year at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California. Despite security measures, she reportedly will lead as normal a college life as possible.



J.T. MacMillan, San Diego Union-Tribune



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- For the first time, a computer beats a world chess champion when IBM's Deep Blue beats Russian Garry Kasparov in a six-game match in May 1997.

- Roman Catholic nun Mother Teresa of Calcutta dies September 5 at the age of 87. Revered for a lifetime of helping the poorest of the poor, her many honors include the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize.



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- American Jody Williams and the International Campaign to Ban Land Mines are awarded the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize in October. The U.S. and China refuse to sign an international treaty that would ban land mines.



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- Ted Turner, vice chairman of the Time Warner media empire, pledges \$1 billion to United Nations programs. It is the largest single gift in philanthropic history.

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Former leader of the Soviet Union Mikhail Gorbachev films a TV commercial for Pizza Hut. He reportedly earns \$1 million for the appearance, money he plans to use to benefit his Gorbachev Foundation.

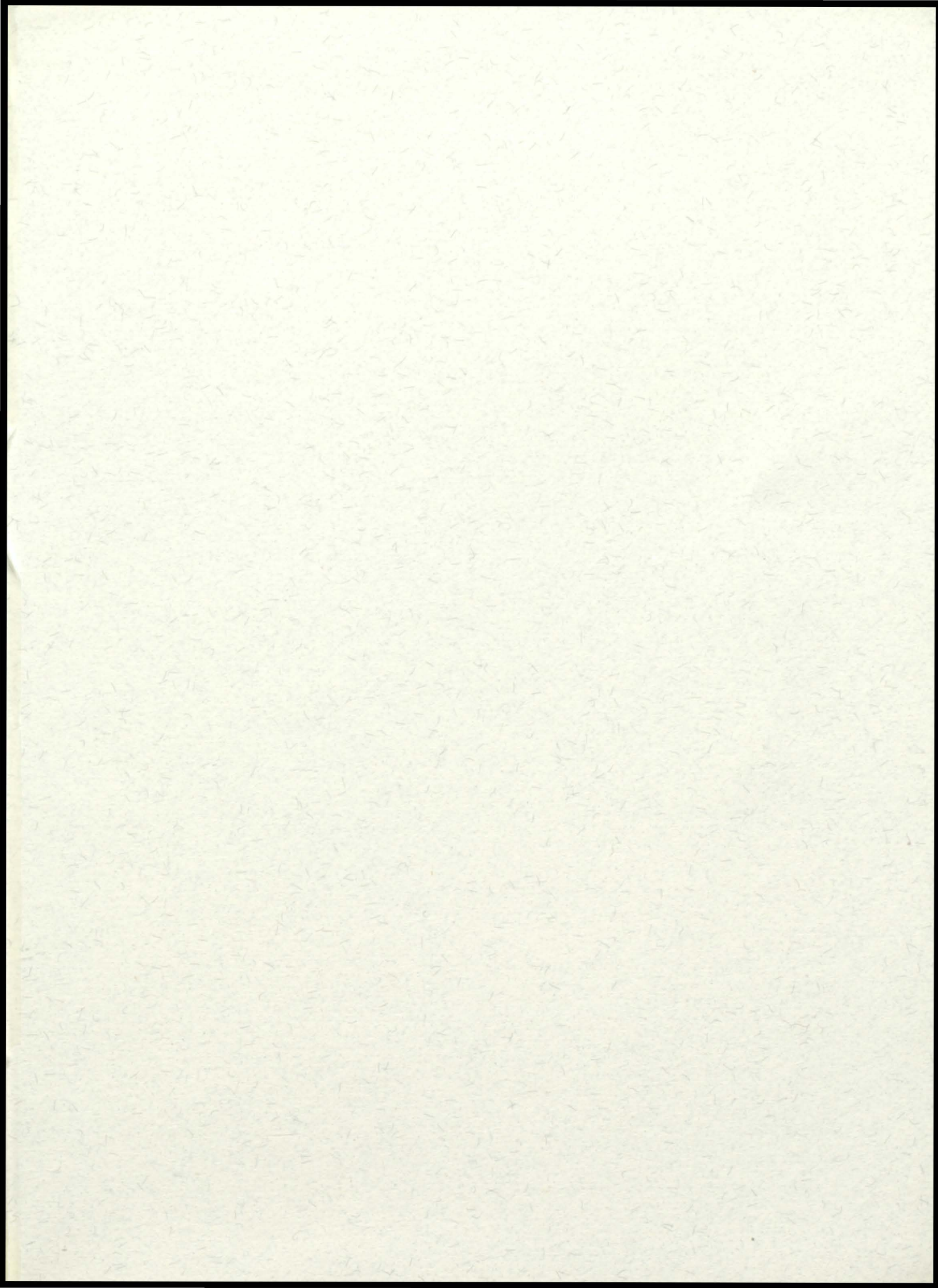
Singer John Denver dies in October at 53 when the experimental plane he is piloting crashes into California's Monterey Bay.



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- Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, appears in ads as a spokesperson for Weight Watchers International. She is the former wife of England's Prince Andrew.







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