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Our system is designed to help you hold onto and remember your favorite high school memories. The highlights of the 1999-2000 school year are located throughout. The staff worked hard to get information important to your school year and to include as many students as possible. Everything from freshmen to Prom is included. If you run into problems as you work your way through the EHS system, return to our help menu for instructions.

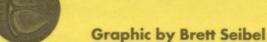
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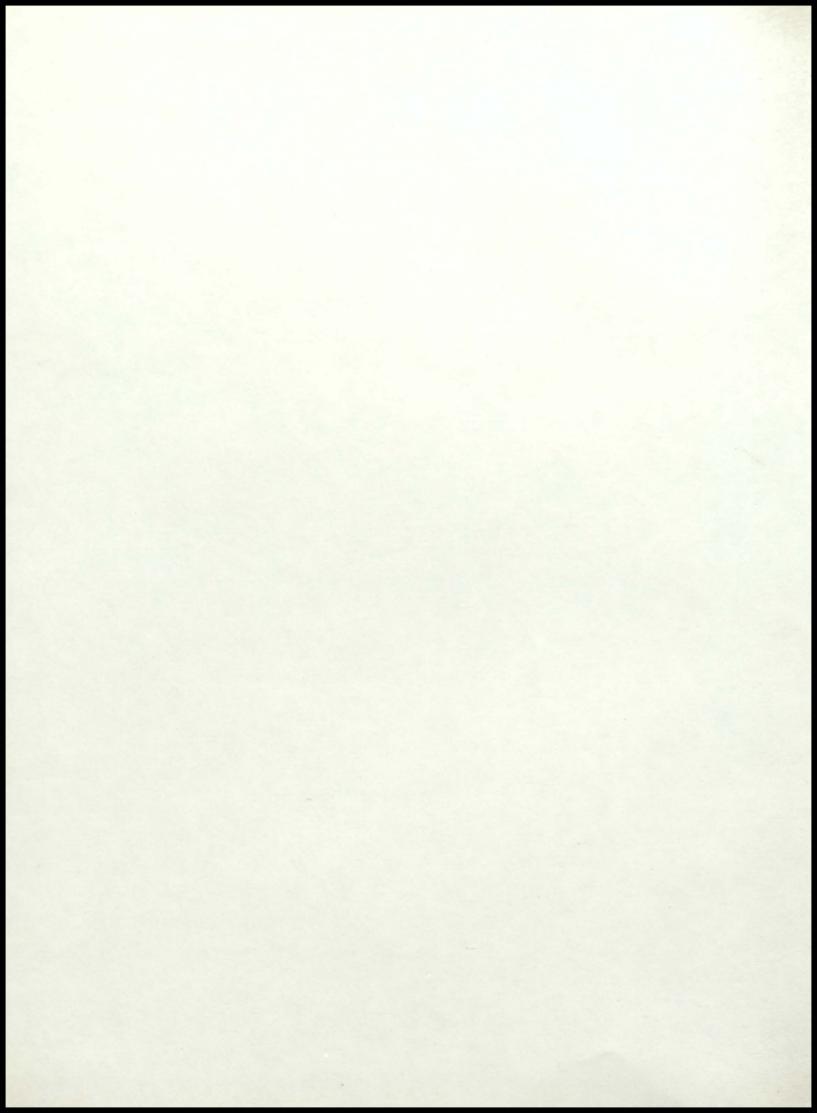
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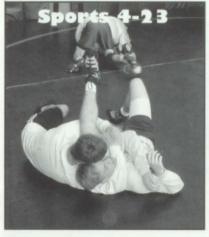


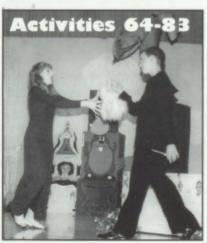
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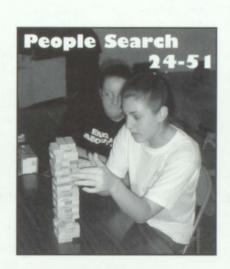
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The year contained many joys and some heartaches. These have been captured in the pages of our site. The smell of our frog as we removed his insides, the missed chances to advance to a state championship, the Psychedelic Saturday Night, the millennium class, favorite faces--when these memories fade, you can surf our site @ www.allsystemsgo@ehs to relive the memories. A warning to parents: this site contains pictures of people hanging upside down, athletes performing daring stunts, students dancing the night away and more dangerous deeds. You may want to monitor the hours spent on this site.

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Derric Fuchs, jr., and Randy Armbrister, so., practice blocking. Armbrister played JV and varsity football. "JV was a lot easier because we were taking on guys with the same experience as us. As fun as JV is, varsity was, our main priority was making the team better."(photo by Denise Augustine)

Lining up their shots. Jordan Helget, fr., and Nick Keller, jr., prepare for possible holes-in-one while Kevin Grogan,fr., waits his turn. True outdoorsmen, the golf team battled the elements, playing in rain, shine or wind.(photo by Raleen Fisher)

Homewood took second in long jump and triple jump and fourth in the 4X100 relay at the April 4 event.(photo by Darrell Smith)

Keeping it alive. Sondra LaBarge, fr., saves the ball, Freshmen Erin Kitzman, Marsha Weber, Adrienne Heroneme and Ashley Taylor prepare to assist. The freshmen team played seven games and one tournament, ending their season 3-5.(photo by Denise Augustine)

While sports like rugby, lacrosse and water polo have yet to be offered @ Ellis High School, students had plenty of sports to keep them busy, at times too busy. Because many students played multiple sports, they learned how to balance time between practice and homework. Although this feat alone proved impossible for many adults, these student-athletes persevered, giving their community a year of action, suspense and pride. For related information, check out the sites below.

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If you could play one game with anyone in the world, who would it be and why?



Liana Chemakina,fr.
Jacki Joiner-Kersee
running a 4X800
relay on my team
because she was a
good athlete and a
person with a
positive attitude.



Sam Schubert,jr.
I would like to play
golf with Albert
Einstein because he is
such a brilliant
physisist, and he
could help me with
my golf swing.



Jaimie Kitzman,so.
Gabrielle Reece is
the best volleyball
player in the world.
It would be really
cool to be able to
play with her.



Danny Haas,so.
I would want to play
basketball with Vince
Carter so that I could
watch him dunk the
ball.

Coach Kerry Bittel helps motivate her team with a few words of encouragement. "At the beginning of the year, I started with an 'I believe in vou' attitude. I am very proud that they eventually learned to believe in themselves." said Bittel. (photos by Joleen Fisher)



Changes in volleyball program aid Lady Railers in record-breaking season

**Persistence Pays** 

#### Turning the Corner





Taking care of business. Lady Railers work hard to put the ball in play. Krista Kohl,jr., sets the ball to Emily Edmonds,sr. Below, Anna Weimer,sr., saves the ball as Edmonds and Brandi Lang,jr., assist. Jennifer Tway,jr., keeps the ball in play during a game versus Victoria.

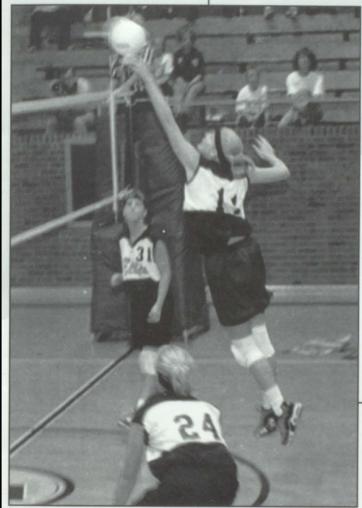


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Back Volleyball

Ashley Taylor,fr., plays the ball over the net while her team readies for a return. The freshmen team ended their season with a 2-5 record. Due to the large number of girls, the freshmen had their own team coached by Jodi Miller.(photo by Denise Augustine)





Flying toward her target, Brandi Lang, jr., winds up to hit the ball. Lang was the starting middle hitter for the Lady Railers. "I was nervous for the first few games. But once I got used to the other players, it was really fun and everything fell into place," said Lang.(photo by Denise Augustine)

#### **Beyond Belief**

Hard work and determination paid off for the Lady Railers. The Railers pulled off a feat that few teams accomplish. With an 18-12 season, the team tallied more wins than ever before, the previous school record, 17-11, set in 1992.

Many new changes had a role in this achievement. New uniforms, new knee pads, and new faces on the varsity squad were all contributors, but a few of the biggest changes were Kerry Bittel, head coach; Dustin Rorabaugh, assistant coach; and Jodi Miller, freshman coach.

Bittel's goals this year were to motivate the girls and make them believe in winning. Her time and effort paid off. The Railers set a precedent for future volley-ball squads.

"I think next year will be a good season. The upcoming girls have a lot of talent and have seen a lot of court time. I am very excited!" said Bittel.



**Kristen Hazen,sr.**My most memorable moment was having the potato people as our mascot.



The thing I will remember the most is the closeness of the team.

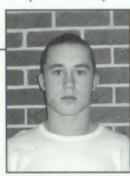
What was your most memorable moment of the season?

It will give us something to build on, and we will try harder next year to win.

Tyler Watson, jr.

It will help give them momentum to do good or even better next year.

Chris LaBarge, sr.





Pain is temporary, pride is forever. Who says? The Railer football team, that's who. This is the motto which was started by senior Jr. LaBarge at the beginning of the season.

Railer pride was shown throughout the '99 season. The team began to wear an orange sock and black shoe on one foot and a black sock and orange shoe on the other foot.

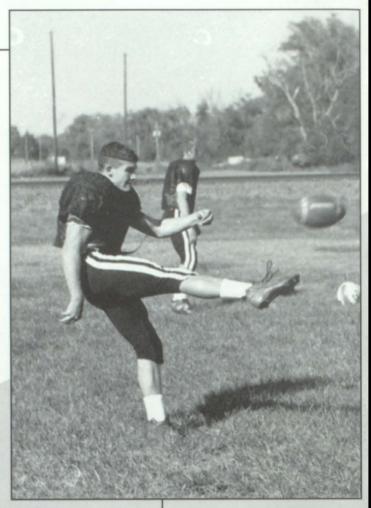
The tradition of one orange sock and one black sock was started in 1997 by the senior class.

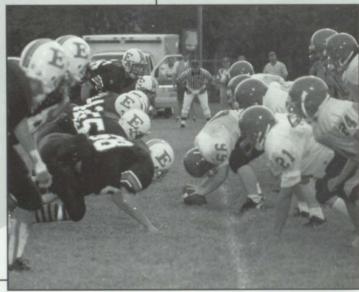
The team wore the items every game to bring them good luck, and bring them luck it did. The Railers went 7-3 for the season and were District Champions, matching up against Salina Sacred Heart in bi-district play.

"We hope that the underclassmen will carry on our tradition and keep winning," said senior Brett Seibel.

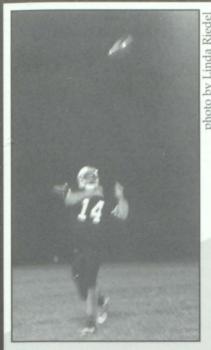
#### Railer Pride

Junior Clint Amrein returns the football to the punters and kickers Jr. LaBarge, sr., Brett Seibel, sr., Jake Dreiling, so., and Sam Mickelson, fr., during practice. Amrein was named MCL honorable mention running back and linebacker. Nine players received all-league honors. (photo by Denise Augustine)

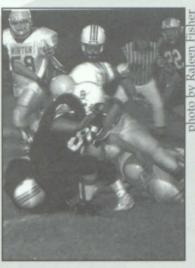




The Railer football team prepares to hold the offensive line. The Railers had a total of 651 tackles and 23 sacks for the '99 season. They surpassed their opponents in rushing, passing, first downs, and scoring.(photo by Maren Smith)



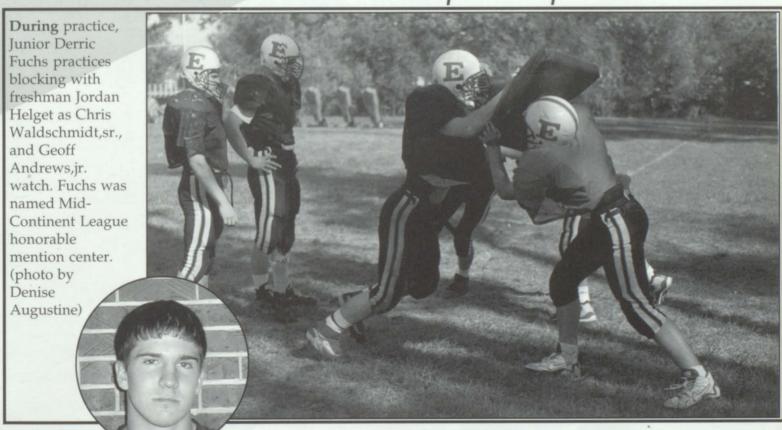
Hard work creates winners. Jr. LaBarge, sr., catches the football during the Ellis vs. Stockton game. Dean Yanda, jr., cools off during the soap scrimmage held on Friday, Sept. 27, 1999. Derek Schoenthaler, sr., takes a hit after gaining yardage for the Railers.



#### District Champs

**Dedication Delivers** 

Railers prove hard work pays off with 7-3 season and district championship title



Raleen Fisher

**Words and Work** 

### Just the five of us!





Strides toward freedom. Ernie Pfeifer, III, fr., runs for the finish line. Bryan Saindon, so., takes long strides for a hard finish at the Ellis Invitational meet. Sophomores Mary Dinkel, Courtney Poland, and Ashley Cross listen to coach Pam Irwin's pep talk before they run.

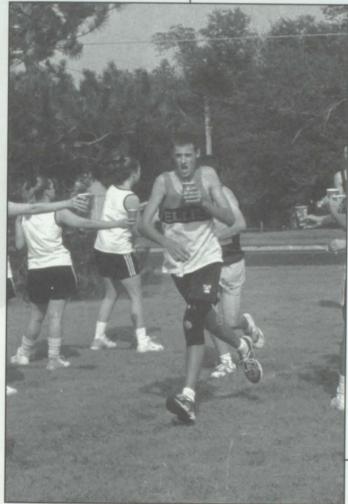


Cross country team consists of four sophomores and one freshman



Keep on running. The cross country team practices by running throughout the town with coach Pam Irwin always at their heels. "When Mrs. Irwin was on her bike following us, it was more fun because we could beat her up the hills!" said, sophomore Mary Dinkel. "Mrs. Irwin made practice more interesting for all of us!" (photo by Anne Madorin)





Sophomore Bryan Saindon quenches his thirst with water given to him by the Ellis High School cheerleaders at the Ellis Invitational meet. Saindon placed 19th with a time of 13:53. He ran his best time of 21:32 at the regional meet in Leoti placing 65th on a three-mile run. Sainson received his best place at the Wheatland Invitational with a placing of 7th. (photo by Raleen Fisher)

#### BreakingStride

Having worn a cast on his right hand for six weeks, sophomore Bryan Saindon found out what it is like to run with a broken stride.

He doesn't really know how it happened exactly. He was playing volleyball one day before cross country practice when he ran into the railing, breaking his little finger.

"I yelled 'Ouch, my finger!'" Saindon said. His teammates thought that he was just joking around. However, when his mother took him to the emergency room that night, the doctors determined that he had broken it. The only effect this had on his running was it made him run kind of lopsided.

"It felt really weird when I was running. My right side was heavier, and I looked funny when I ran," Saindon said.

This predicament not only affected Saindon; it affected the team as well.

"Bryan was a great motivator in practice and without him there it was pretty quiet. It definitely slowed him down. He missed three days of workouts and then had to run with extra weight!" coach Pam Irwin said.

When the cast was finally removed, he thought things would be back to normal. He was wrong. Now he was running with his left hand feeling heavier then his right.

"I can't wait until next season. Hopefully next year I won't do something stupid like break my hand again,," Saindon said.



Ernie Pfeifer, III, fr.
One day we went on a
scavenger hunt that
led us around the
town, and back to the
high school.



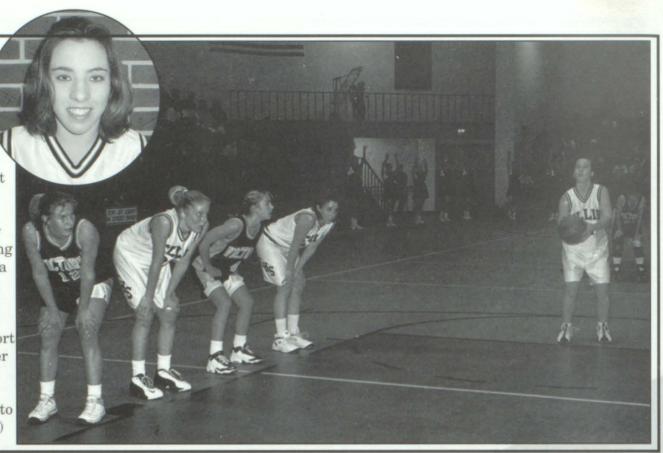
On the last day of practice, Mary and I ran through sprinklers while the guys collected flowers for Mrs. Irwin.

What did you do at your favorite practice?

**Emily Fischer** 

Forward

Brandi Dinkel,sr., and Brandi Lang, jr., look on as Emily Edmonds, sr., prepares to shoot a free throw. "Being a teammate with Emily has been inspiring to me. She sets a lot of goals and works hard to achieve them. She's a great sport and a good leader to the team." senior Brandi Dinkel said.(photo by Maren Smith)



Perry Mick takes over girls' basketball program, leads team to 7-14 record

## Studded Season

**Amazing Action** 

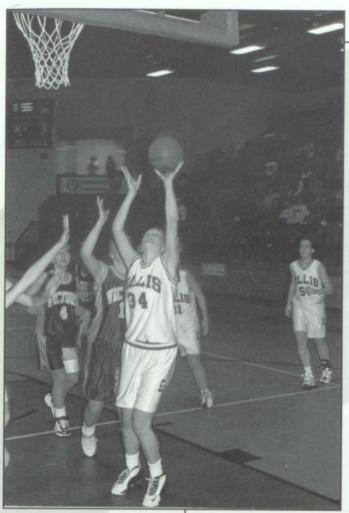






Getting the job done. Valerie Waldschmidt, so., and Raleen Fisher, sr., team up to block a pass. Kim Bieker, sr., pauses to throw to a fellow teammate. Emily Edmonds, sr., shoots a layup.

Go ahead, step into the zone. Brandi Lang, jr., shoots a layup against the Victoria Knights as Emily Fisher, jr., comes in for a rebound. The Railroaders lost to Victoria 50-57 early in the season. Shortly after, they lost to Victoria in an overtime game, 63-64. At the end of the season, the Railroaders beat Victoria 81-78 on Feb. 11.(photo by Maren Smith)





First year Lady Railer JV coach David Wildeman gives a few pointers to Jenna Smith,fr., Suzie Shepherd,jr., and Jamie Kitzman,so., during a JV basketball game. The JV girls ended their season with a record of 2-11.(photo by Darrell Smith)

The jump ball rule.

I think the refs
should let the players
fight it out and just
let us get hurt.

Suzie Shepherd.ir.

should be no blood, no foul. I also think there should be more than five.

Christy Walker,fr.

Fouls, I think it





Which game rule would you change and why?

#### On Target

Scoring a total of 1,791 points and setting seven records during her four years on the Ellis High School girls' basketball team, Emily Edmonds,sr., definitely went out with a bang.

- \*All-time leading single-game scorer- 43 pts.
- •All-time leading single-season scorer- 572 pts.
- •All-time average in a single season- 27.2 pts.
- \*All-time leading single-season free throw scorer- 112 pts.
- \*All-time leading single season free throw percentage-88%
- \*All-time leading career average- 22.1 pts. per game.
- •All-time leading career points- 1,791.

"I'm really glad about how my basketball season went, but I never thought I would break any records," Edmonds said.
"Throughout the season, Coach Mick would tell me what records I was close to breaking or had already broken."

But her records aren't the only things that will be remembered.

"It is easy for people to notice Emily's scoring average and shooting percentage because they are very impressive, but Emily's true value to this team was in her leadership," Coach Perry Mick said.

#### **Untilthe End**

They began playing as a team, they ended playing together as a team. The five seniors, Luke Karlin, Derek Schoenthaler, Tyler Fisher, Jesse Leiker and Jr. LaBarge began playing together seven years ago on an organized basketball team. It was the first year that they could play on a traveling team, and because of the number of boys participating, they were split into two teams. Martin LaBarge and Joe Waldschmidt coached the teams.

Playing together as a team for seven years gave the five senior boys the advantage of seeing each other grow and mature in their basketball skills. Therefore they learned one another's best skills and abilities. This helped the way they played as a team.

"A lot has changed. We have all grown up and been together for six years," senior Jr. LaBarge said." One of the best things is that we all know how each other plays, and we know how to pass the ball to each other in certain spots. We all kind of have the same mind with each other. We just know how to play basketball."

The Railer boys ended the season with a 16-6 record.

you could name a shoe it be and w



Derek Schoenthaler, sr.

The Shoe. It would be designed neatly and very lightweight.



Jake Dreiling, so.

Pine-Time Grounded. The name reflects my jumping ability.

Devin Schoenthaler, fr., shoots one-handed as teammates Adam Taylor, jr., and Jake Schartz, fr., wait for the rebound. Schoenthaler scored 13 points in the game against the Victoria Knights. He also had three rebounds, two assists, and five steals. Taylor scored nine points, and Schartz had 4 points. (photo by Ellis Review)





Senior Jr. LaBarge puts the ball up during the Ellis vs. Osborne game. Teammates Anthony Taylor, fr., and Luke Karlin, sr., watch the ball as they screen opponents. Taylor was one of three freshmen who played on the varsity team. "When I first started playing varsity, it was hard because I was playing with the older and more experienced basketball players," Taylor said. (photo by Anne Madorin)



In his tenth year at EHS, Coach Rorabaugh leads the Railer boys' basketball team to a 16-6 record



Up in the air. Geoff Andrews, jr.,battles in the zone for a jump shot. Tyler Fisher,sr., shoots the ball between opponents. Jesse Leiker,sr., gains height for a layup against Norton at the MCL tournament.





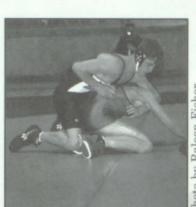
#### Rough and Tough

Through the Years

#### Twisting and turning

### Kings of ..... the Mat





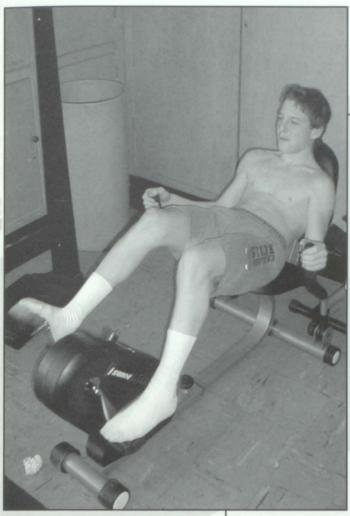
All in a day's work. Chris LaBarge,sr., gets his arm wrapped by assistant Coach Jeff Williams before practice. Coach Casey Dinkel gives sophomore Daniel Dinkel a pep talk before he wrestles at Ellis. Junior Matt Dinkel stays on top as he wrestles at the Ellis Invitational.

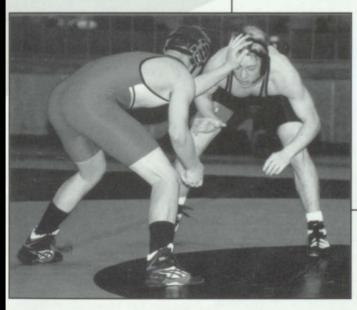


Wrestlers rely on flexibility and strength to gain advantage at meets



Getting in shape, freshman David Bieker works out on the new equipment that the wrestlers bought with the money that they earned from selling shirts to the wrestling fans. Bieker wrestled in the 103 weight class and finished the season 4-5.(photo by Anne Madorin)





Junior Dean Yanda prepares for a take down while he wrestles McKenna from Norton at the Ellis Dual. Yanda won the match by decision 8-7. His final record was 8 wins and 16 losses. He wrestled in the 160 pound weight class. (photo by Linda Riedel)

The best part of the season was the stories on the bus trips home.

Derric Fuchs, jr.



The best part of the season was getting back on the team.

Record Augustine for



What was most memorable about the season?

Gotta have tunes. The wrestlers made the time fly during practices by listening to music. It seemed only natural to have the best sound system possible. The only problem was the small monetary issue. Coach Casey Dinkel, however, provided the solution: wrestling T'-shirts.

The shirts were sold to fans and parents who wanted to support the cause. They sold 40 shirts, earning \$400. However, after they earned the money, they decided that they had an adequate stereo. Therefore, they used the money to buy exercise equipment for the wrestling room: an exercise bike and a stair stepper.

"Having the equipment helped me when I was hurt. It made it so that I wouldn't have to work very hard with the muscle that I had hurt," said Matt Dinkel, jr.

#### Marketing Strategists

#### Facing Change

The Ellis High School girls' track team made both some welcomed and out-of-the ordinary changes this track season. One of the changes was the addition of the girls' 4 X 800 relay, which had been strictly a boys' event. However, this year, both get to run it and members of the girls' team are glad to have it according to junior Natalie Waldschmidt, who anchors the relay. "I feel it is a good thing. We now have a wider variety of the relays to do for the runners of different distances."

However, some members competed in an event that could not be around much longer according to the state of Kansas which is one of the 11 states that still holds this event. If one more serious accident occurs as a result of this event, the event will be completely done away with. Which event is this? The javelin throw, which is an event that both seniors Brandi Dinkel and Emily Edmonds competed in. "I think that the javelin throw shouldn't be taken away. Yes, it can be a dangerous event, but there are also a lot of injuries in other sports and events, and still the game continues. I think it's great that Kansas is one of the 11 states to have the javelin. It's a great event."

And Girls' track Coach Chris Rorabaugh agreed, "I would hate to see the javelin be taken out of track. Not only has this event proven to be a favorite for a few of the girls, but it is one of the oldest events since it originated from the Greek Olympics in 1904."

What is your favorite part about going to track meets?



Diane Henderson, fr.

I like getting out of school early, and I only have two events so the rest of the meet I just relax.



Liana Chemakina, fr.

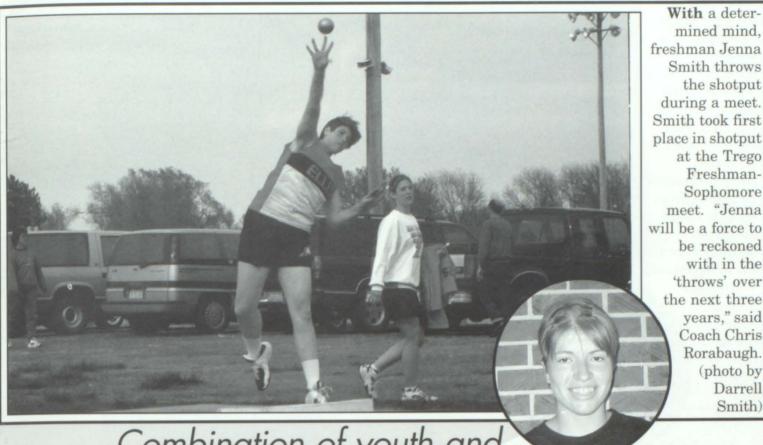
I like meeting all the
different boys from
different towns.

Waiting to start. Coach Chris Rorabaugh waits for the starting signal while sophomore Valerie Waldschmidt talks to fellow contenders in the 800 meter relay at the Ellis Invitational. The girls placed fifth as a team with a total of 58 points. (photo by Anne Madorin)





Leaping toward victory, junior Jill Homewood concentrates to beat her farthest jump, which was 34' 7 1/2", in the triple jump event. During the season, Homewood took first place in triple jump at three meets and brought home a first in long jump at one meet. The team consisted of 24 girls, 10 of those freshmen, whereas only four freshmen went out the previous year.(photo by Anne Madorin)

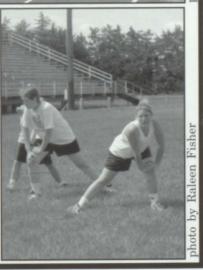


Combination of youth and experience helps team exceed expectations



Practice pays. Freshman Cheyenne Moses works on pole vault while Natalie Waldschmidt, jr., waits her turn. Suzie Shepherd, jr., strides out during a practice 1600 meter run. Freshmen Jenna Smith and Jessie Riedel stretch before their daily workout.





#### Right on track

Strength in Numbers

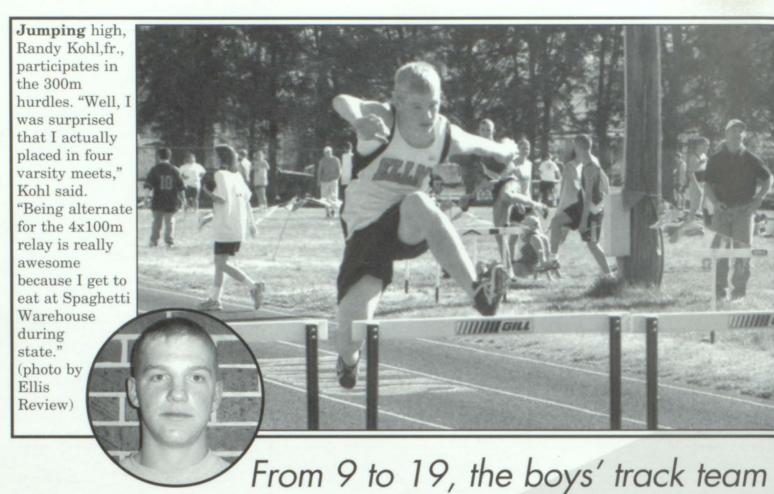
mined mind.

the shotput

at the Trego Freshman-Sophomore

be reckoned with in the 'throws' over

years," said Coach Chris Rorabaugh. (photo by Darrell Smith)



doubles in size

### Race to the finish

**Skilland Determination** 







Go for the gold. Derek Schoenthaler, sr., and Anthony Cross, fr., hand off the baton in the 4x800m relay. Junior Derric Fuchs throws the shot put during the Ellis Invitational. Ryan Augustine, fr., reaches for his toes as he jumps into the long jump pit.

Almost to the finish line, sophomore Daniel Dinkel runs the 800m at the Ellis Invitational. Dinkel also ran the 4x800 relay at the Ellis Invitational, and he placed 5th. Throughout the season Dinkel's times ranged from 2:24 to 2:43 minutes. He and the 4x800m relay team placed first with a time of 9:54 minutes at the Victoria track meet, helping the team to a 2nd place finish.(photo by Ellis Review)





Freshman Jake Schartz throws the discus at the Ellis Invitational, Discus was the only event that Schartz participated in Schartz placed 6th at the Plainville with a throw of 99'11". As a team, Ellis placed 5th at the Plainville track meet.(photo by Anne Madorin)

I would choose Michael Johnson because he is very fast, and I want to be fast like him.

Anthony Cross, fr.

I would choose Michael Jordan because he has accomplished everything, and he is my idol.

Jake Dreiling, so.





As a competitive athlete, Tyler Watson, jr., had many goals to achieve for the 1999-2000 track season. To reach those goals, Watson did many things in order to prepare for his events.

Watson not only stretched to prepare himself before an event, he also got mentally focused on how he was going to do in that particular event.

"One goal I would like to accomplish would be to win league in both the 100 meter dash and long jump," Watson said. "Another goal would be to go to state in the 100 meter dash, long jump and the 4x100. It's fun to compete with other athletes from around the state to see who's better."

Watson accomplished one of his goals. He made it to state in the 100 meter dash, 200 meter dash, long jump, and the 4x100m relay. At state, Watson placed 3rd in the 100m dash with a time of 11.4 seconds. He placed 6th in the 200 meter dash with a time of 23.7 seconds. The 4x100m relay placed 6th at state. The only event at state that Watson didn't place in was the long jump.

#### **Athletic Ability**



Travis Keller, sr.

Greg Norman "The Shark." Not only is he a great golfer, he also has golf balls with sharks on them.



Sam Shubert, jr.

Tiger Woods because he dominates the PGA Tour and has the most simple swing.

Freshman Sam Mickelson takes a practice swing before teeing off on hole number one. Mickelson was one of the six Ellis players to compete on the six man Ellis team. The team placed eighth at the Salina state meet on May 22.(photo by Denise Augustine)





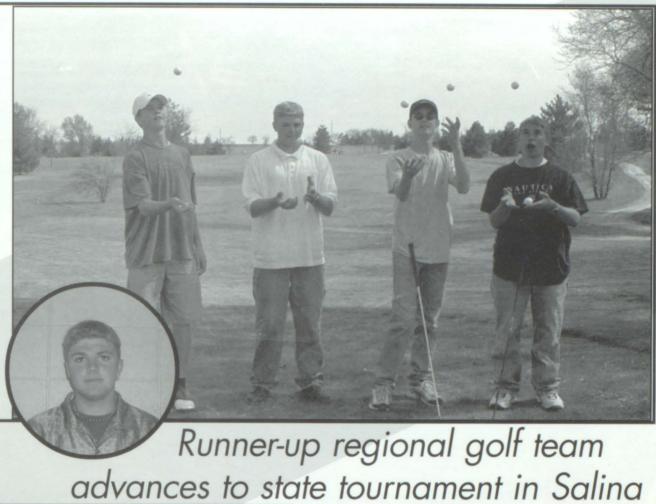
Senior Tyler Fisher, junior Sam Shubert, freshman Sam Mickelson, and Coach John Kolacny discuss some of the golf statistics for the next tournament. Fisher, Shubert, and Mickelson were part of the state golf team. Fisher placed fifth at the regional golf tournament held in Ellis while Shubert placed seventh.(photo by Denise Augustine)

#### Under the Weather

The golf season started out with many kinds of weather. One week it was sunny and warm, while the next week there were sheets of ice covering the greens. One week was definitely the worst of all.

When the golfers arrived at the TMP meet, it was raining heavilywith a 28 degree wind chill. This continued all afternoon which made it difficult to concentrate on a good score. Even though the golfers had frozen hands and some other teams gave up, Ellis remained at TMP until the final score was in. There was one problem with handing in the score cards though. When the Ellis golfers finished their last hole, they went inside but still couldn't feel their hands, so Coach John Kolacny had to sign each of the golfers score cards.

"TMP was definitely a cold meet, and so was the Oberlin meet when the greens were iced over," said junior Sam Shubert. Don't let it drop! freshmen Cody Fisher, Kevin Grogan, junior Nick Keller, and freshman Jordan Helget hold their own contest to see who can juggle a golf ball the longest. Fisher and Helget were two of the golf members who qualified for state golf. Fisher placed third at Regional golf held in Ellis. (photo by Denise Augustine)



Practice, practice, practice! The Ellis golf team prepares for the next golf meet. Freshman Jason Henrickson watches where his ball will land while freshman Jordan Helget practices his putting skills. Cody Fisher,fr., prepares to tee off on hole one with the help of Coach John Kolacny.

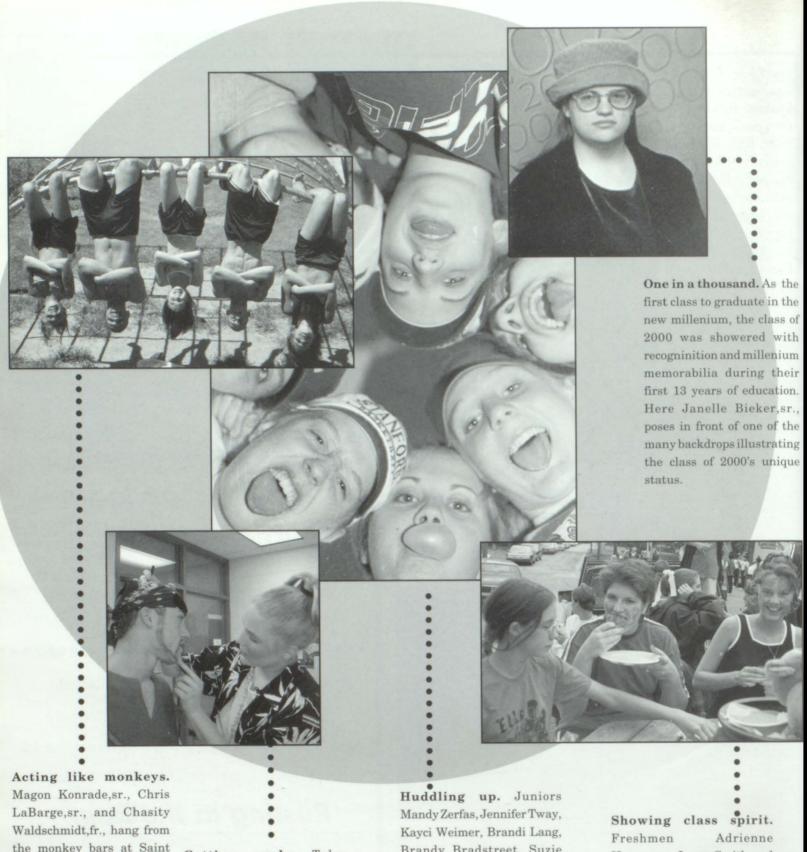






Rusting in the Rain

Iron Men



the monkey bars at Saint Mary's playground during summer vacation. The three were goofing around after they had gone for a swim.(photo by Felicity Waldschmidt)

Getting ready. Tyler Watson, jr., waits for Brandi Lang, jr., to finish putting on his make-up for the junior class play. Watson played the part of a pirate while Lang played one of the three singing sisters. (photo by Raleen Fisher)

Brandy Bradstreet, Suzie Shepherd and Kristi Weber gather to plan their next strategy during Homecoming week. The motivation to keep pumped up during the week was the promise of pizza to the winner.(photo by Denise Augustine)

Heronome, Jenna Smith and Lianna Chemakina eat treats while they ride their class float in the Homecoming parade. Chemakina was an exchange student Kazakistan. "I love America. I never want to go home. I want to stay here forever," Chemakina said.(photo by Anne Madorin)

Back

While Ellis High School is not very ethnically diverse, it had a very diverse and unique student body from the very outgoing to the very shy, the athletic to the klutzes, the brains to the strugglers. and everyone in between. Despite the diversity of students. @EHS there were no rules saying a person had to hang with a certain group, and students felt welcome among many groups. For related information, check out the sites below.

#### Your Inquiry for People turned up 10 results:

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Find out what's really in the daily mystery meat. You'll find the secret ingredients used by school cooks around the world to make your food delicious, nutritious, but still unidentifiable.

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Be a STAR. Try out for a Hollywood movie. Get acting tips, motivational secrets, and more. www.ehsforensics.com

If you could be in any tv show, which one would you be on and why?



Tim Robins, so. "The Howard Stern Show" because he sees and does different things every day.



Jessica Kreuzter, so. Brett Seibel, sr. "Friends" because I enjoy the cast and think I would get along with them really well



"The Man Show" because it would be nice to get to act like them and not get in trouble.



Ashly Cross, so. "The X-Files" because I really like mystery and want to become an FBI agent.

Ryan Augustine Amanda Ball David Bieker Shawna Bradstreet Liana Chemakina

**Anthony Cross** Ryan Day Jacqui DeMars Joan Dreiling Treasurer Cody Fisher

Vice-president











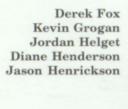






















Adrienne Heroneme

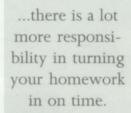


between junior high and high school is....

**Daniel Hook** 



...the freedom. We have way more freedom than we did in jr. high.



...high school goes by faster, is a lot bigger and most of the teachers are cool.

Chris Jerauld



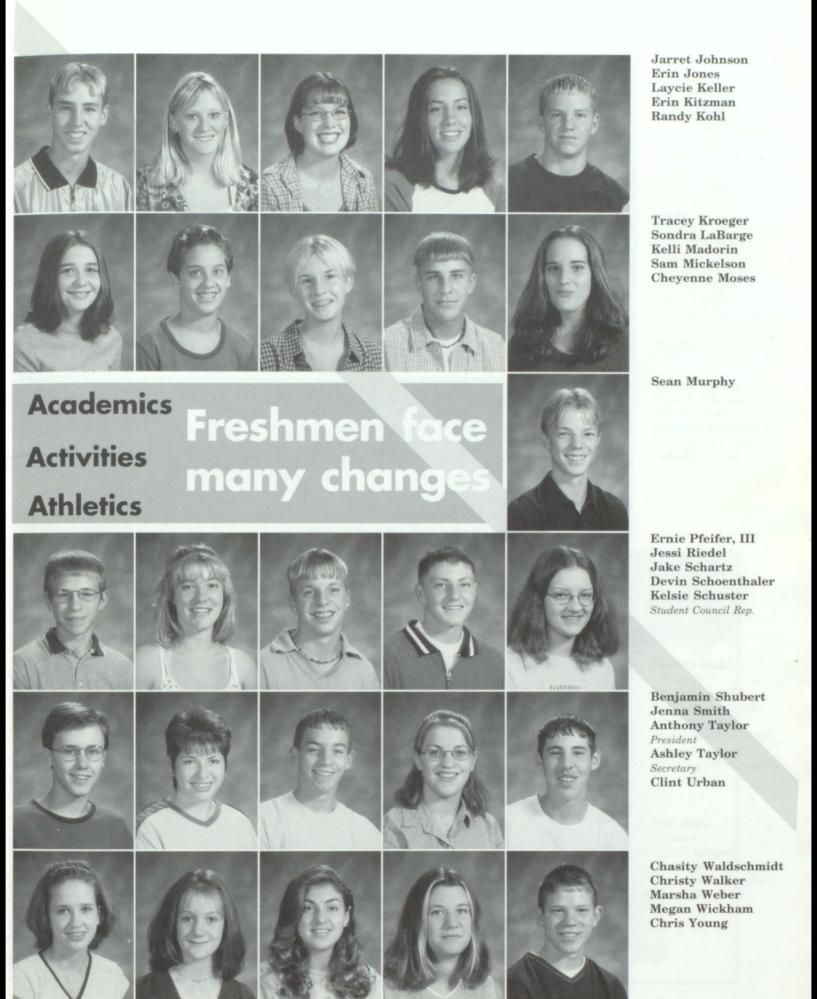




Daniel Hook

Joan Dreiling





Max Zahn, so., contributes to the sophomore concession sales by serving a hot dog. All sophomores participated by working in the concession stand whenever extracurricular activities were held in Ellis. "We have an excellent group of sophomores to work with this year. They are 'the bomb," said Ms. Bev Mauk, sophomore sponsor. (photo by FelicityWaldschmidt)

James Bieker Danielle Brown Ashly Cross Carissa Deutscher Student Council Rep. Daniel Dinkel





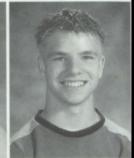












#### Glitz Glory Glamour

#### Sophomores contemplate star search for TV roles

Mary Dinkel Treasurer Jake Dreiling Student Council Rep. Danny Haas Nickole Henderson Secretary **Amanda Hernandez** 

Jodi Hill President Angela Keller Matt Kinderknecht Molly Kinderknecht Jamie Kitzman































Randy Armbrister Jessica Kreutzer Matt Moses Brian Nowell Courtney Poland Seth Reed









Serena Barnhill Tim Robins Bryan Saindon KirstIn Unrein Katie Wagner Kelli Wagoner Vice-president









Valerie Waldschmidt Beth Walz Wanda Weber Amanda Zachman Max Zahn

#### could play my role on TV, it

... Jenny McCarthy because she's fruity like me.



Angela Keller

... Tweeter off
Varsity Blues
because he was
funny, crazy,
liked to party
and loved to give
the cops a hard
time.



Danny Haas

... Julia Stieles because she is really pretty and has a lot of potential in acting.



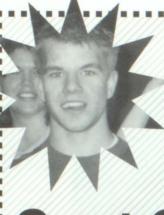
Carissa Deutscher

... Tim Allen because I like his acting and I think he could easily act like me.



James Bieker

### would be ..



#### Top

#### Ten

#### **Great Clans**

Who has the most relatives in school?

- 1. Felicity Waldschmidt, 10
- 2. Chasity Waldschmidt, 10
- 3. Emily Fischer, 9
- 4. Raleen Fisher,9
- 5. Tyler Fisher,7
- 6. Cody Fisher,7
- 7. Derek Schoenthaler,7
- 8. Devin Schoenthaler, 7
- 9. Daniel Dinkel,6
- 10. Valerie Waldschmidt,6



Student s' Nicknames

- 1. Vinney
- 2. Scooter
- 3. Jo Jo Bean
- 4. Aige
- 5. Pooh Bear

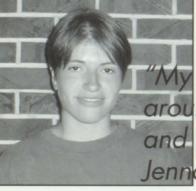
Answers: I. Randy Arbrister,so. 2. Courtney Poland,so. 3. Mandy Zerfas,jr. 4. Adrienne Heroneme,fr. 5. Ashly Cross,so.

"It started when my mother accidentally dropped a candy bar in my shoe. On New Year's morning, my mother puts candy and little presents in our shoes. When we wake up, we find the candy and prizes in our shoes. Then we go and open the rest of our presents."

Liana Chemakina,fr.

"After each person opens a Christmas gift, we clap. Then the opener of the gift tells what he or she got and we clap and scream 'Yeah.'"

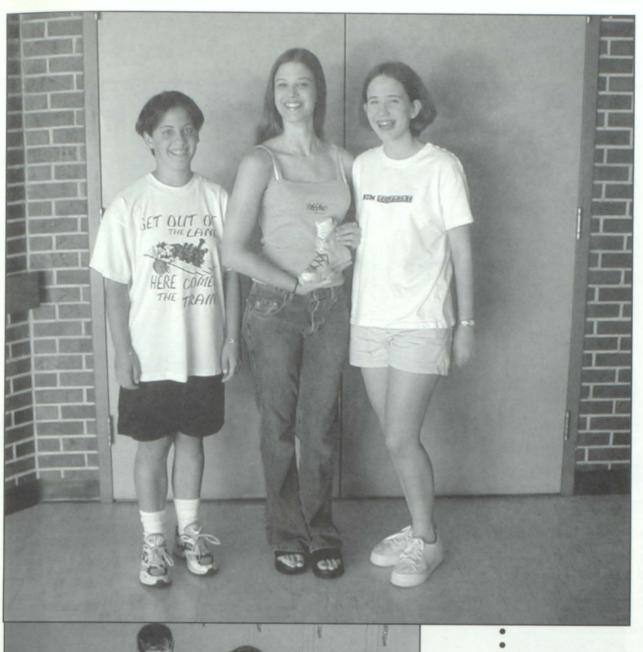
Suzie Shepherd, jr.



"My brother Lee was always joking around. He started calling me 'J.J.,' and then it turned into 'J.J. Magoo.'"
Jenna Smith, fr.

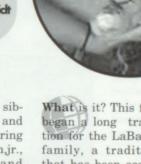
More than 60 percent of pets receive "as much attention as children."

All About the Fami



Freshman Sondra LaBarge, junior Felicity Waldschmidt and freshman Chasity Waldschmidt pose with their familytradition foot. The tradition started when Charlie Waldshmidt found the green shoe with the big toe sticking out the front in a trash can. Ever since, the family has passed the shoe around at Christmas, and every year it is a surprise to see who is going to be the lucky one to receive it.(photo by Emily Fischer)





The three Taylor siblings sit together and chat in the hall during lunch period. Adam, jr., Ashley, fr., and Anthony, fr., were the only three-sibling family in school. (photo by Emily Fischer)

What is it? This foot began a long tradition for the LaBarge family, a tradition that has been occurring since 1992. The foot is to be displayed throughout the year where everyone can see it.



#### school subject, it would be...

# If I could make up a

... a veterinary course. It would be cool to interact with animals.



Samantha Wolf

... a relaxation course. Every day you would learn new relaxation techniques.



Steven Shannon

... a lounge hour. Everyone would bring blankets and pillows and watch T.V.



Mandy Zerfas

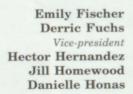
... a Vince Lombardi speaking class. Everyone would learn to talk like Lombardi.

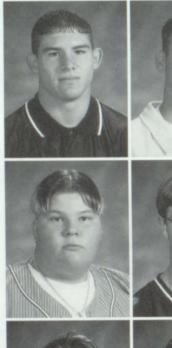


Todd Walker

Clint Amrein **Geoff Andrews Denise Augustine** Scott Befort **Brandy Bradstreet** 









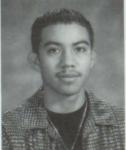


































Nick Keller Krista Kohl Secretary Joe Kreutzer **Brandi** Lang Dave McClelland











Shari Riedel Steven Shannon Suzie Shepherd Sam Shubert Adam Taylor

Learning **Experiencing** Lounging

## Juniors think about innovative curriculum











Kristi Weber Kayci Weimer Samantha Wolf

Jennifer Tway Justin VanAusdale Felicity Waldschmidt Student Council Rep. Natalie Waldschmidt **Todd Walker** 





















Riley Deutscher and David Amrein ride the class float in the Homecoming parade. The seniors made their float at Trio Lumber with supplies provided by Booster Club.(photo by Linda Riedel) Cooling off with a game of pool basketball, Christy Kinderknecht, Brett Seibel, Brandi Dinkel and Emily Edmonds take advantage of the hot summer weather. (photo by Raleen Fisher)





Decked out in orange and black. The Class of 2000 at EHS consisted of 32 students including one exchange student. (photo by Linda Riedel)

From grade school to graduation. Kristen Hazen celebrates her sixth birthday with classmates. The party took place at the Hays skating rink located behind the mall. (photo by Debbie Hazen)







Emily Edmonds, Anna Weimer and Kristen Hazen model their masked faces at a Mary Kay party. The girls were invited to have a make-over while trying new Mary Kay products sold by Brandi Dinkel. Dinkel began selling Mary Kay during her senior year as a way to earn extra money. (photo by Brandi Dinkel)

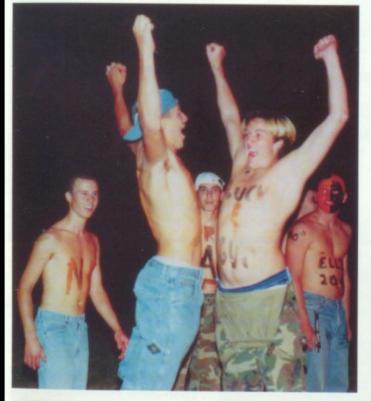




# Milestone

The first graduating class of the millennium. The class of 2000. For many people, the new millennium represented a fresh beginning, hope for the future. Perhaps this was why the world watched with such concern and high expectation as this milestone class traveled from playground to commencement. It was an interesting journey, with many "Y2K perks" along the way.

Since kindergarten, the seniors were treated to special T-shirts, awareness programs, millennium class rings and, yes, even "special edition" senior memorabilia. Their audience showered them with countless incentives over the years; the seniors could only hope to fulfill their dreams for the future successfully.



Jesse Leiker and Tyler Fisher participate in a mosh pit at the Homecoming bonfire. The bonfire was held at the Ellis fair-grounds. The bonfire materials were gathered by Stuco and set up with the supervision of the fire department. The fire department was also on hand during the event in case they were needed. (photo by Linda Riedel)

David, We love you and keep smiling!







Kim, Congratulations! Good luck in the future and may all your dreams come true!! Love ya, Mom, Dad and David



Riley, Sail into the new millennium with your wonderful adventurous spirit.

> I love you, Mom



Brandi, Follow your dreams

We love you Mom, Dad, and family



You are no longer that "cute" little girl in pigtails; you are now a beautiful young lady. As you close the book on your high school days, remember there is yet another book just waiting to be opened. Keep your expectations high as you look toward the future for that special star.

Love Mom and Dad



Congratulations, Raleen Your journey from infancy to a young woman has been a joy to experience. You have always managed to be full of

surprises...

We are proud of your accomplishments and leadership qualities, but your challenging years are yet to come. Stay focused and let nothing stand in your path. Chart your course wisely! Love Mom, Dad, and RJ



Congratulations! We are very proud of you and wish you the very best life has to offer. May your future be bright and full of happiness. We will always be there for you with our

Tyler,

love and support. Best wishes and good luck! Keep smiling!



Love Mom, Dad and Cody



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Kristen, Congratulations and o best wishes in all that you do! May you go as far as your dreams take you. And remember that you're the apple of our eyes. :) Love Dad, Mom, and

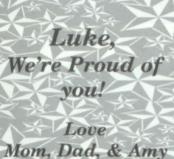


Molly,
We are proud of you.
Good luck at whatever it is you choose to do.
Love
Mom, Dad and Cody



Way to go, Darren! We are Proud of you!

Love Mom and Dad Jarret and Sherri





From your beautiful little smile...
To your Big Sister Style!!

Amber, Gods speed in all you do! Love Mom, Dale, Joe, Agie & Ash





Iravis, In everything you do, we are proud of you.

Love Mom, Dad, Tara, Todd Amy and Kylee



Christy, Keep on smiling! Life will have great rewards for you.

Love Mom, Dad, Tracy, Matt, Adam, Dillon, and Jacob

Chris,
Set your goals high.
Reach for the stars,
Nothing is impossible,
when you set you
heart to it.

With all our love, Mom, Dad, Marty, Matthew, Jennifer, Justin



CLASS OF 2000 CLASS OF 2000 CLASS



Congratulations, Jr.

We're proud of you and know you'll excel in whatever choices you make. "If you can dream it, you can ACHIEVE it!"

Love Dad, Mom, Shawna, Shayla Sondra and Brevin

CLASS OF 2000 CLASS OF 2000 CLASS





David Amrein



Kimberly Ann Bieker



Riley Deutscher



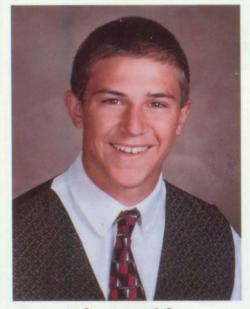
Brandi Marie Dinkel



**Emily Lou Edmonds** 



Raleen Marie Fisher



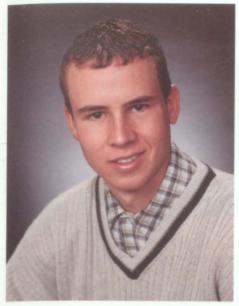
Tyler Lee Fisher



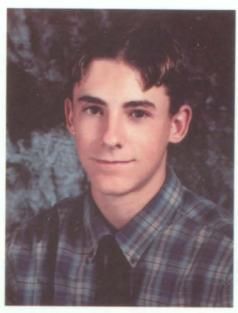
Kristen Leigh Hazen



Molly Ann Honas



Darren Randall Johnson



Luke Daniel Karlin



Amber Rose Keller



Travis Lee Keller



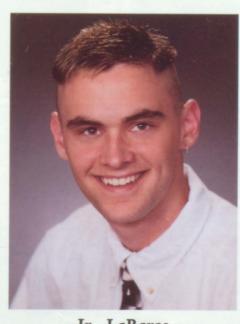
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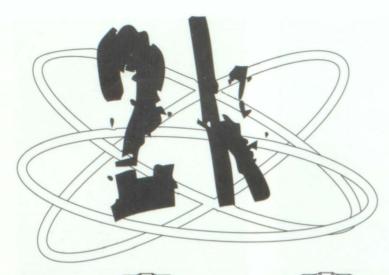
Christopher Alan LaBarge

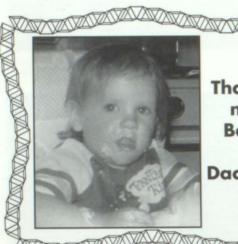


Jr. LaBarge



Jesse John Leiker





Jonas, Thanks for the memories. Best of Luck

Dad, Mom, and Jason



Anne,
Life shrinks or
expands in
proportion to
one's courage.
Be brave,
Daughter.

Love Always, Mom, Dad, Kelli



Derek,
Reach high, for stars
lie hidden in your
soul. Dream deep, for
every dream precedes
the goal.
Believe in yourself &
the Lord will guide
you. Congratulations!
We're proud of you!
Love
Dad, Mom and Devin



Jesse,
Things sure won't be
the same without you
around. We will miss
you.
Love,
Your Family
(Prov. 3:5,6)

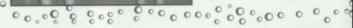


With love, From your family



Put your best foot forward, and you will be successful in all you do.

Pam, Randy, Ryan, Grandma S. and Grandma V.





Back

Baby Ads



Brett,
We're proud of you!
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Craig



Maren,
Always going
places--from stick
horse to
T-bird.
Congratulations and
best wishes for a
future filled with
adventure.
Love
Your family

Vicki,
We are so
proud of you.
Love
Mom, Dad
and Rachel



Shane,
To a very special son
and brother.
May all of your dreams
come true.

Love you always, Mom, Dad and Dawn



Congratulations,
Debbie
We wish you much
happiness in making
all your dreams come
true. We are proud of
you!
Love Dad, Mom and
Kelli

Anna,
The power of dreams
are endless, and so are
your
possibilities.
We are proud of you!

Love Mom, Dad, and Kayci



Derek Schoenthaler, Luke Karlin, and Shane Sommers show off their wrestling medals they won in March 1989.(photo by Donna Schoenthaler)

Emily Edmonds, Maren Smith, Raleen Fisher, Molly Honas, and Anne Madorin eat Christmas goodies at a preschool party held at Maren Smith's house. (photo by Darrell Smith)

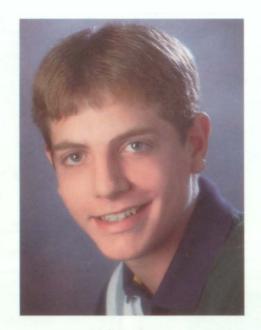


Raleen Fisher

Forward



Jonas Michael Luea



Tyler Luea



Anne Christine Madorin



Eric James Newton



Khalida Nurmetova



Derek D. Schoenthaler



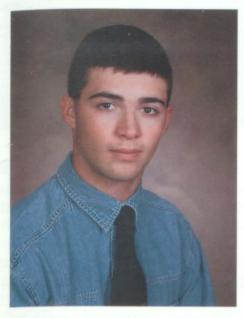
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Maren Elayna Smith



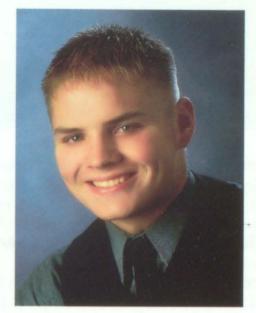
Victoria Lee Solomon



Shane M. Sommers



Debbie Elizabeth Wagoner



Christopher Waldschmidt



Anna Nadine Weimer

## Class of 2000

Number of Students~32; 16 guys, 16 girls

Class Flower~White Rose

Class Colors~Silver and Forest Green

Class Motto~Behind us are memories,

Beside us are friends.

Before us are dreams that will never end.



In thirty years, I will have made my mark on the world by . . .

## Senior Activities:

David Amrein- FFA 4; perfect attendance 3

Kim Bieker- basketball 1,2,3,4; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board member 2,3,4; treas. 3; pres. 4; KAY leadership camp 3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; SADD 1,2,3; junior play; MCL leadership camp; snoball candidate 3,4; choir 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among High School Students; CYO 1; cheerleader 1,2,3,4

Riley Deutscher- FHA 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; SADD 1,2,3; junior play; golf 1; Goodland Ag Vo-tec Welding

award 2nd place

Brandi Dinkel- volleyball 1,2,3,4; basketball 1,2,3,4; track 1,2,3,4; softball 1; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board 4; FHA

1,2,3,4; pres. 3,4; SADD 1,2,3; junior play; choir 1,2,4; CYO 1,2,3,4

Emily Edmonds- volleyball 1,2,3,4; basketball 1,2,3,4; track 1,2,3,4; softball 1; National Honor Society 3,4; forensics 1; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board 3,4; v-pres. 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; points 3; sec. 4; band 1,2,3,4; v-pres. 3; librarian 4: SADD 1.2; junior play; Stuco 3.4; sec. 3; snoball candidate 1; Homecoming candidate 4; perfect attendance 1,2,3,4; girls' state

Raleen Fisher- volleyball 1,2,3,4; basketball 1,2,3,4; track 1; journalism 2,3,4; photography 3,4; forensics 1; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; historian 3; v-pres. of public relations 4; SADD 1,2; junior play; MCL leadership camp; class v-pres. 1,3; snoball candidate 2; choir 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among High School Students; journalism contest winner 2,3; CYO 1,2,3,4; cheerleader 1,2,3,4; co-captain 3; captain 4; all- American nominee and US cheerleader achievement award winner 4; national journalism merit award 4; Railer Echo 3,4; editor 4; webpage design 4

Tyler Fisher- football 1,2,3,4; basketball 1,2,3,4; golf 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; Stuco 1,2,3,4; Railairres 3,4; junior play; MCL leadership camp; class v-pres. 1,3,4; snoball candidate 2; choir 1,2,34; Who's Who Among High School

Students; Squires 4; Stuco camp; math relays; Homecoming king

Kristen Hazen- volleyball 1,2,3,4; basketball 1,2,3; track manager 1,2; journalism 4; forensics 1,2,3,4; state qualifier 3; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board member 3,4; sec. 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; sec. 3; v-pres. 4; Railairres 2,3,4; band 1,2,3,4; Stuco 2,3,4; v-pres. 4; SADD 1,2,3; junior play; MCL leadership camp; snoball candidate 2; prom server; choir 1,2,3,4; Homecoming queen; Who's Who Among High School Students; LYO 1,2,3,4; perfect attendance 2; National English merit scholar

Molly Honas- softball 1; forensics 1,2,3; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board 3,4; points 4; FHA 1,2,3,4; v-pres. of public relations 3; historian 4; Railairres 1,2,3,4; band 1,2,3,4; librarian; sec./treas.; junior play; promserver; snoball candidate 2; choir 1,2,3,4; Homecoming candidate; Who's Who Among High School Students; CYO 1; cheerleader

1,2,3,4; co-captain 4; class sec. 1,2,3,4

Darren Johnson- basketball 2,3; FFA 1,2,4; junior play; snoball candidate 4; choir 1; perfect attendance 1

Luke Karlin- football 1,2; basketball 1,2,3,4; baseball 1,2,3,4; Squires 1,2,3,4

Amber Keller- volleyball 1,2; basketball 1,2,3; track 1,2,3; photography 4; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2; FFA 1,2

SADD 1,2,3; choir 1,2,3,4; CYO 1,2,3

Travis Keller- basketball manager 1,2,4; wrestling 3; golf 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 4; forensics 1,2,3,4; state qualifier 1,2,3; FHA 1; FFA 1,2,3,4; v-pres. 2; pres. 3,4; Railairres 1,2,3,4; band 1,2,3,4; KMEA honor band 2,3,4; SADD 1,2; junior play; MCL leadership camp; Stuco 1,2; class pres. 1; snoball candidate 1,2,4; boys' state; Who's Who Among High School Students; LYO 1,2; math relays 3,4

Christina Kinderknecht- volleyball 1,2,3,4; basketball 1,2,3,4; track 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; forensics 1,3,4; state qualifier; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board 4; pres. 4; snoball candidate 3; choir 1,2,3,4; girls'state; Who's Who Among High School Students; CYO 1,2; cheerleader 1,2; class pres. 2,3; site base council 2,4; Stuco

Magon Konrade- volleyball 1,2,3; manager 4; basketball 1,2; track 1,2; Kayettes 4; band 1,2; choir 1,2; perfect attendance 1; cheerleading 1,2

## We left our mark @ EHS

**Chris LaBarge-** football 1,2,3,4; wrestling 1,2,3,4; baseball 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; junior play; snoball candidate 3; CYO 1,2; perfect attendance 1; MCL all-league HM running back 3; HM defensive line 4; 2nd team running back 4

**Jr. LaBarge-** football 1,2,3,4; basketball 1,2,3,4; track 1; baseball 3; FFA 1,4; junior play; Stuco 3; Who's Who Among High School Students 4; CYO 1,2,3,4; perfect attendance 1; MCL basketball 1st team 3,4; HM State basketball 3; MCL football 2nd team LB3; 1st team LB 4; HM QB and Punter 4

**Jesse Leiker-** football 1; basketball 1,2,3,4; photography 4; forensics 2,3,4; Railairres 1,3,4; band 1,2; junior play; STUCO 4; class pres. 4; snoball candidate 4; choir 1,2,3,4; Hays Arts Council Winner 1st; Baptist Youth Org. 2,3,4

Jonas Luea- FFA 2,4; junior play; snoball candidate 3

Tyler Luea- FFA 1,2; snoball candidate 1

**Anne Madorin-** volleyball 1,2,3; basketball 1,2,3; track 1,2; journalism 2,3,4; assistant editor 3; co-editor 4; photography 4; forensics 1,2,3,4; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; FHA 1; SADD 1,2,3; junior play; MCL leadership camp; snoball candidate 1; girls' state; HOBY camp; Hays Arts Council 1st, 2nd, 3rd, lst; Who's Who Among High School Students 3; state journalism contest winner 2,3; National Young Leaders Conference 3; Railer Echo 3,4; webpage design 4 **Eric Newton-** FFA 1,2,34; junior play; Who's Who Among High School Students; class treas. 3,4; honor roll

1,2,3,4; English Merit Award 4; technology fair 3

Khalida Nurmetova- Kayettes 4; FHA 4; foreign exchange student

**Derek Schoenthaler-** football 1,2,3,4; cross country 2; basketball 2,4; wrestling 1,3; track 3,4; baseball 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 4; FFA 1,2,3,4; band 1,2,3; 1 rating at state band 2,3; junior play; MCL leadership camp; snoball candidate 2; Homecoming candidate 4; Hays Arts Council 1st; Who's Who Among High School Students 3,4; LYO 1,2,3,4; honor roll 1,2,3,4; MCL 1st team defensive back 4; 2nd team tight end 4; class v-pres.

**Brett Seibel-** football 1,2,3,4; wrestling 1,2,3,4; track 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; band 1,2; junior play; Stuco 1,2,3,4; snoball candidate 1,2; Homecoming candidate 4; Hays Arts Council 3rd; CYO 1; MCL 2nd team kicker; 2nd team defensive back

**Maren Smith-** basketball 1,2; National Honor Society 3,4; journalism 3,4; photography 4; forensics 1,2,3,4; state qualifier 3; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; sec. 3; board member 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; sec. 2; Railairres 1,2; band 1,2,3,4; pres.4; drum majorette 4; 2nd state ranking; SADD 1,2,3; sec. 3; junior play; snoball candidate 4; choir 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among High School Students 3; Hays Arts Council Winner; Stuco 3,4; co-editor 4; assistant editor 3; math relays 1,2,3,4; National Young Leaders Conference 3; snoball candidate 4

**Victoria Solomon-** Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board 2; cross country 1,2; FHA 1,2,3,4; v-pres. 3; points 2,4; SADD 1,2,3; public relations 3; junior play; photography 3; journalism 3; Who's Who Among High School Students; perfect attendance 3; honor roll 3, 4

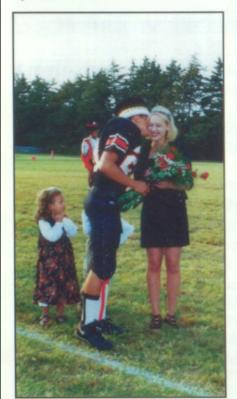
**Shane Sommers-** football 1,2; basketball 1,2,3; track 1; baseball 1,2,3,4; FFA 1,2,3,4; junior play; Who's Who Among High School Students; CYO 1,2; honor roll 1,2,3,4; squires 1,2,3,4

**Debbie Wagoner-** forensics 1; photography 3; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; SADD 1; tres. 2; v-pres. 3; junior play; snoball candidate 1; choir 1; Who's Who Among High School Students 3; honor roll 1,2,3,4; math relays 3; web page 4

**Chris Waldschmidt-** football 1,2,3,4; wrestling 3; baseball 2; FFA 4; Railairres 3; choir 3,4; CYO 2,3; MCL 2nd team tackle 4

**AnnaWeimer-** volleyball 1,2,3,4; softball 1,2,3,4; forensics 1,2,3,4; Kayettes 1,2,3,4; board 2,3,4; FHA 1,2,3,4; band 1,2,3,4; SADD 1,2,3; junior play; Stuco 1,2,4; snoball candidate 3,4; choir 1,2,3,4; Who's Who Among High School Students

Homecoming king Tyler Fisher gives queen Kristen Hazen a kiss after the crowning ceremony. The band played the theme from Ice Castles during the crowning. (photo by Linda Riedel)



Always a tradition. As sophomores the seniors dressed up for famous person day. Among the costumes were a spice girl, GI Janes, football players, Ellie May, and others. (photo by Raleen Fisher)

RESPECT IS CONTAGIOUS



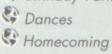
Molly Honas, Brandi Dinkel, Kristen Hazen, Raleen Fisher, and Emily Edmonds pretend to lounge on the beach. Depths of Love was the theme the prom the 2000 class put on for the 1999 seniors. (photo by Anna Weimer) Maren Smith and Anne Madorin stand in front of a memorial in Arlington National Cemetary. Smith and Madorin were attending the National Young Leaders Conference, Washington, D.C. (photo by Joe Fields)



#### Past + Present + Memories

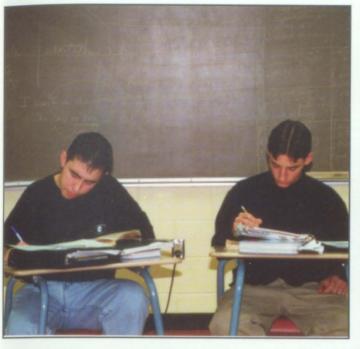
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Birthday Parties



Eric Newton and Luke Karlin work on a 1984 project in advanced comp. 1984 by George Orwell was one of three novels read in the class. Farenheight 451 and Animal Farm were the two other books read. Along with the novels the class read out of a British Liturature book. (photo by Maren Smith)

Khalida Nurmetova, Vicki Solomon, Debbie Wagoner and Eric Newton ride on the back of the senior float. Cut Up The Cats was the theme for the 1999 Homecoming game against the Phillipsburg Panthers. Six of the senior boys participated in the Homecoming win.(photo by Linda Riedel)







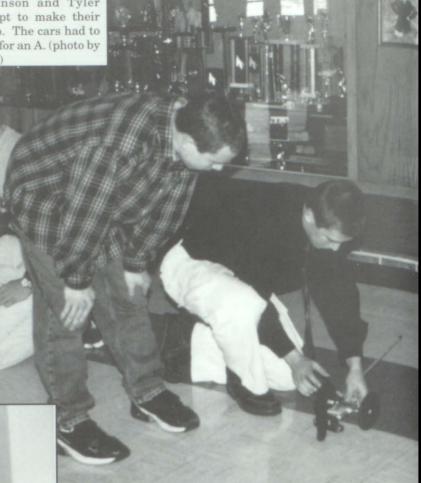


Getting ready to dance. Amber Keller and Vicki Solomon cool off between dances at the 1999 Snoball. The theme for the 1999 Snoball was New York Skyline. (photo by Brandi Dinkel)

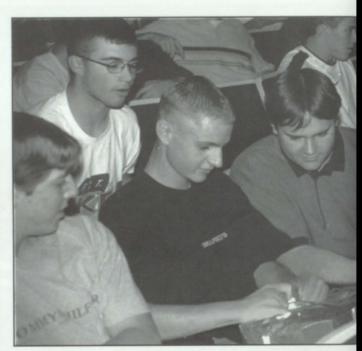
Senior vollleyball players form a pyramid for their group shot. The girls played for three different head coaches, Mr. Bob Young, Mrs. Karen Madorin and Mrs. Kerry Bittel, during their four years at EHS. (photo by Linda Riedel)

Darren Johnson and Tyler Fisher attempt to make their physics car go. The cars had to travel 15 feet for an A. (photo by Maren Smith)



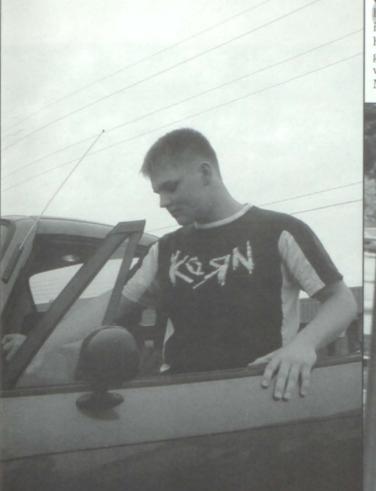






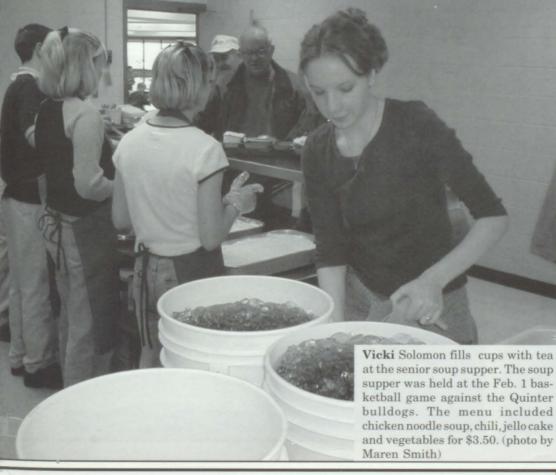
Tyler Luea, Shane Sommers, Riley Deutscher and Jonas Lue check out their purchase from the Kayette food box auction Senior boys tended to be the biggest spenders at the auction sometimes the competition raised bids up to as much as \$30 o some boxes. (photo by Maren Smith)

The senior girls, as seventh graders, sit in the stairwell from which they had just surprised Kristen Hazen. Hazen turne 13, and her friends threw a surprise party for her. (photo b Debbie Hazen)



Chris Waldschmidt climbs into his purple Suzuki X90. "My favorite thing about this car is that it has great gas mileage. It's also a great car to use in paintball wars, "Waldschmidt said. (photo by Maren Smith) Maren Smith and Anne Madorin walk through the trees at Bethany College in Lindsborg. Smith and Madorin were attending a Josten's journalism workshop. The workshop was designed to help them create a yearbook. (photo by Cindy Hertel)







Eric Newton keeps busy during his shift at Arthur's Pizza and Mexican. "I think working at Arthurs has helped me develop good skills in working with others," said Newton. (photo by Emily Fischer)

Stan Faulkender **Cindy Hertel** English, Journalism June Howard Computer Technology John Kolacny Social Studies **David Lohrmeyer** Custodian

> Don Long Physical Education Karen Madorin English **Beverly Mauk** Counselor Perry Mick Math Jodi Miller Math



### comes to mind when I think

The fashion fad that

... bell bottom pants, wirerimmed glasses and platform shoes.



Marla Deines

... long hair, short skirts and GTO cars.



Sherri Faulkender

... Levi's 501's, preppy look and for myself adidas top ten shoes.



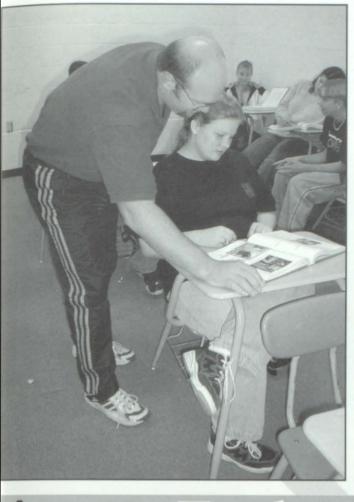
Jodi Miller

... bell bottom pants.



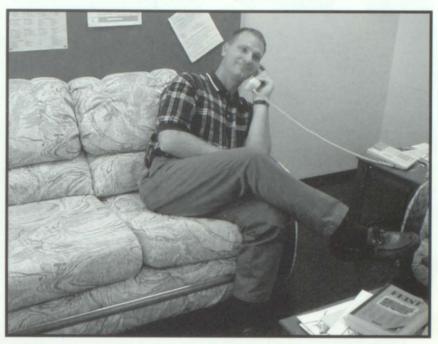
of high school is

Charlie Waldschmidt



Mr. Don Long helps Kirstin Unrein,so., on a worksheet during health class. After three years of teaching in Room 111 Long was moved to the P.E. weight room due to his room being turned into a new computer lab. "My new room is a little smaller, but it's nice because I'm closer to my office," Long said.(photo by Shari Riedel)

After saving money for five years, the teachers had enough money to buy new furniture for the teachers' lounge. The money earned came from the pop machine installed in the teachers' lounge in 1983. "We got tired of having run-down furniture with broken legs, so we bought new furniture," said June Howard.(photo by Shari Riedel)



### **Awesome** Cool

### Teachers, staff recall trends, In the Loop see some return from past











**Brad Neuenswander** Superintendent **Eldon Pfeifer** Agriculture Linda Riedel English, Speech, Photography Reggie Romine Principal Charlie Waldschmidt Custodian





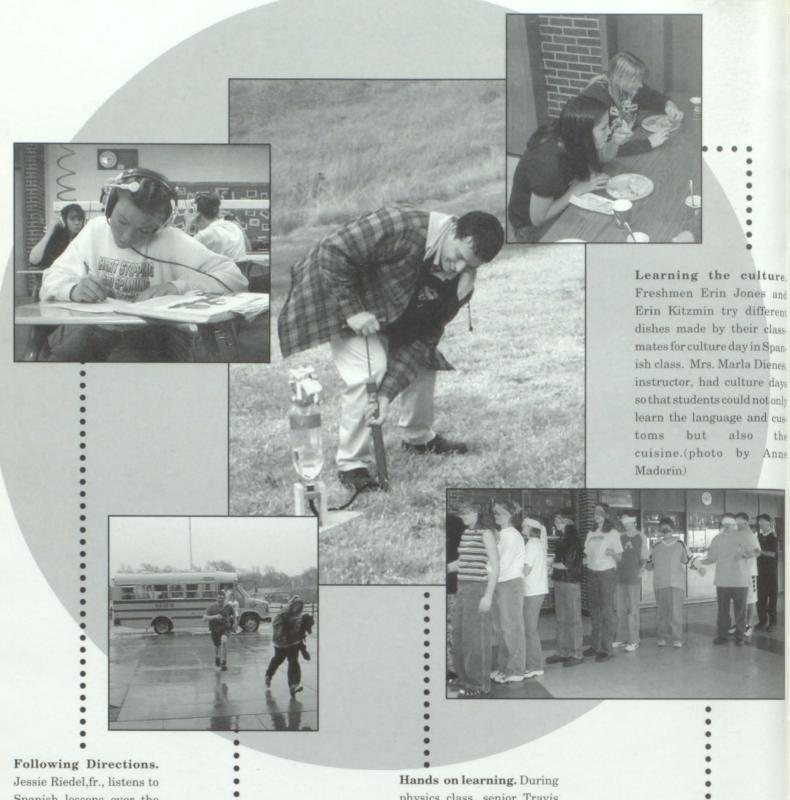




**Dorothy Waldschmidt** David Wildeman Science Robert Young Technology Coordinator **Terry Zerfas** 

Mech. Drawing, Woodworking Not Pictured: Pat Bieker Julie Honas Mary Park

Sandy Harwick Marabeth Scott



Spanish lessons over the

headphones in Mrs. Marla Deines's class. The headphones were purchased before Deines arrived in 1986 to help students understand their lessons better by hearing them spoken.(photo by Shari Riedel)

Trying not to melt. GPD students Kristi Weber, jr., and Dave McClelland, jr., run from the bus that took them down to the weight room located at the old high school. GPD, taught by Don Long, was offered to juniors and seniors wanting to increase their strength.(photo by Anne Madorin)

physics class, senior Travis Keller pumps a hand-held air pump trying to get enough pressure to shoot the rocket off. The goal for each group was to get its rocket the highest without breaking the egg that was cushioned into their rocket.(photo by Maren Smith)

Follow the leader. Freshmen English students follow each other into the cafeteria to participate in a blind meal. Each student brought a dish of food, and then as a class the students ate blindfolded. Mrs. Karen Madorin held the blind meal to help students see a different kind of lifestyle. (photo by Anne Madorin)

Whether or not students realized it, the education provided @ Ellis High School prepared them for vo-tech, college, the job market or whatever other path they chose. During the 1999-2000 school year EHS provided everything from the basics of English to Engines with Eldon. Of course, art, music, band and webpage design were offered to broaden students' horizons. For related information, check out the sites below.

#### Your Inquiry for Education turned up 5 results:

Arts 54-55

**Humanities 56-57** 



Tips for Writing your research paper!



www.Mrs. Hertel.edu

Sciences 58-59

Technology 60-61

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#### Organizational Skills

Need to get organized? Are your papers strewn about the school, your books in 7 teachers' rooms, your homework at home or in your locker depending on where you're not?

Logantowww.getarganized.com

If you could have anyone in the world as your teacher, who would it be?



Miranda Zorn, jr.

Mother Theresa
because she could
teach a lot about
humanity.



Mimi Fox, so.

My sister
because she is a good role model
and is good with
kids.



Amber Keller, sr.
Nelson Mandela
because he has
had to learn a lot
of patience and
would be patient
with students.



James Bieker, so. Tim Allen because he would enlighten my day.

Arts offer the chance to get.

Tuned into creativity...

Students express themselves in art, band, choir

Mrs. Renetta Dawson, instructor, directs the pep band at a home basketball game. Dawson came to teach at Ellis from Bushton-Quievera Heights.(photo by Shari Riedel)

Sophomores Katie Wagner, Jamie Kitzman and junior Kristi Weber play in the pep band before the boys' game. The pep band played at every home game during the boys' pre-game and half time.(photo by Emily Fischer)



#### Music strengthens

Music is important in my life because it helps me deal with my problems. Music helps me relax after I have had a stressful day. Also, it keeps me entertained. Music gives me a way to express my feelings and thoughts in ways that words could never express. I believe that music is a special talent that a person is born with. To help improve my music talents I take voice lessons, and I'm also in Railairres. I spend four and a half hours a week practicing music.

--Chasity Waldschmidt,fr.

#### artistic talents

Music helps me to become more involved in my life. It shows me that working at something does pay off, as long as I work hard for it. To help my music talents, I'm involved in Railairres and with as many band honor groups as possible. I also try to enter as many events as possible in contests. I practice maybe two hours a week and, truthfully, that's not enough.

--Travis Keller, sr.

(photo illustration by Raleen Fisher)



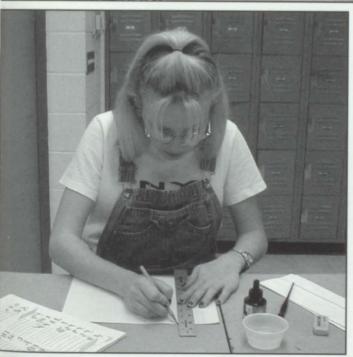




#### **News Flash**

"In order to qualify for state choir, I had to send an audition tape to be accepted for District Choir. From the audition tape, 20 people from each vocal section had to audition for state. Six people were chosen from each vocal section; I was the second pick on the list of qualifiers for state choir."

-Steven Shannon, ir.





Senior Magon Konrade works on a Book of Hours during art class. The Book of Hours consisted of each month, days of the month, and special events during the month. A drawing or saying that corresponded with the month was added to the Book of Hours.(photo by Shari Riedel)

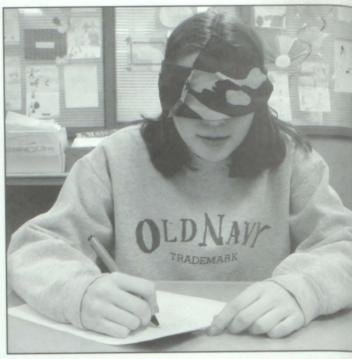
Shari Riedel

EHS choir rehearsed for their upcoming regional contest at Fort Hays State University. The band, along with the choir, performed at the contest. Many students in band and choir performed solos and spent many hours memorizing their music. (photo by Anne Madorin)

Felicity Waldschmidt, jr., concentrates on an assignment during American history. John Kolacny, instructor, handed out worksheets at the beginning of every chapter and a study guide at the end of every chapter.(photo by Shari Riedel)

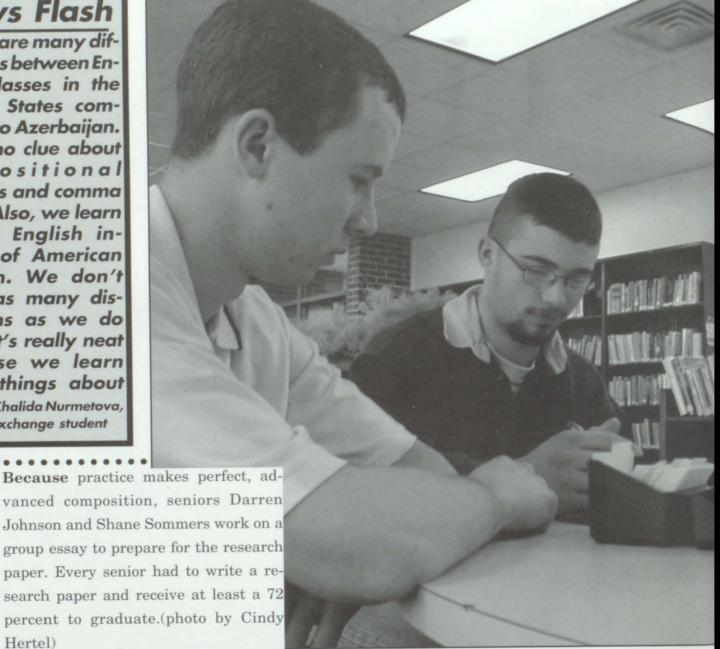
It's not as easy as it looks. Freshman Tracey Kroeger writes a defintion during English I. Students participated in an activity designed to give them insight about disabilities. The activity led to the short story "Harrison Bergeron." (photo by Shari Riedel)





#### News Flash

"There are many differences between Enalish classes in the United States compared to Azerbaijan. I had no clue about prepositional phrases and comma rules. Also, we learn British English instead of American English. We don't have as many discussions as we do here. It's really neat because we learn more things about life."--Khalida Nurmetova, foreign exchange student



Hertel)

Writing helps students in many ways. First, it reflects students' thinking skills. As students learn to organize and support their thoughts on paper, they improve the organization of thoughts in their head. Also, students learn to write many different types of essays. This too improves thinking skills. Our students can approach situations from many different angles, which provides more choices as they deal with life issues.

-- Karen Madorin, instructor

Teacher's View on Writing Emphasis The emphasis on writing at EHS has really helped out students.

With teachers letting us do
the writing on our own,
we don't always look to
the teachers for help and
come up with ideas on
our own. The emphasis
has really helped me develop my writing skills,
which will help me in the
future.

-- Kayci Weimer, jr.

(photo illustration by Maren Smith)

#### Student's View on Writing Emphasis



Spanish II students Courtney Poland, so., and Mary Dinkel, so., listen to vocabulary exercises and do a worksheet that goes along with the exercises. The headsets were used so the students could hear the words and become familiar with them.(photo by Raleen Fisher)

Marla Deines,
Spanish instructor,
controls the headsets.
Deines used these
exercises to teach
pronunciation and
word recognition.
Also, Deines had
students do many
assignments and
worksheets that
helped students with
the vocabulary (photo
by Raleen Fisher)

EHS students are. . .

#### Connected to the world

History and language offer insights into cultures

It is always difficult to adapt to changes in life, but the people around you make those changes easier. Adapting to new students is not always an easy task, and it is not always easy for students to adapt to a new teacher. Being a coach and a teacher makes it easier for me to become acquainted with the students. Teachers, especially new teachers have an enormous task. That task is to represent themselves as a role model or mentor for student achievement. -- David Wildeman. instructor

For students, taking a science courses this year meant meeting a new face. Adapting to the new teaching styles took some time to get used to. Often a new teacher is compared to an old one -- small things like having a seating arrangement or not getting a daily worksheet. Many changes that a new teacher brings are nice though. For example, not learning straight from the book makes class more interesting and fun.

-- Samantha Wolf, jr.

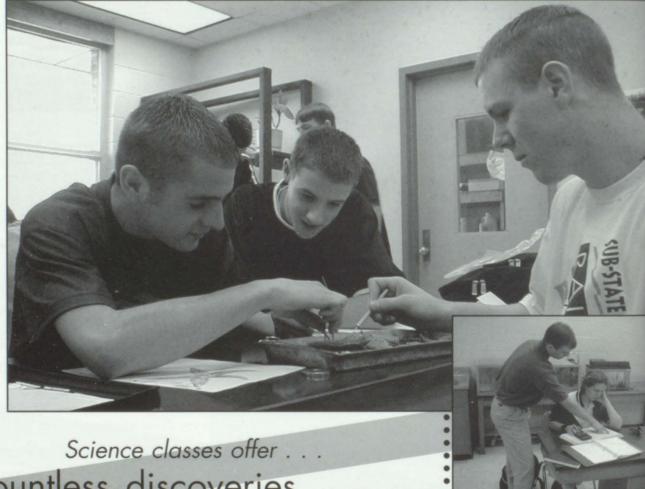
(photo illustration by Maren Smith)

#### adapt to change

Teachers and students

Riley Deutscher, sr., and sophomores Bryan Saindon and Jake Dreiling work together as they dissect a starfish in biology. (photo by Kim Young)

Mr.David Wilderman helps Kim Young,jr., solve achemistry problem in chemistry class.(photo by Anne Madorin)



#### Countless discoveries ...

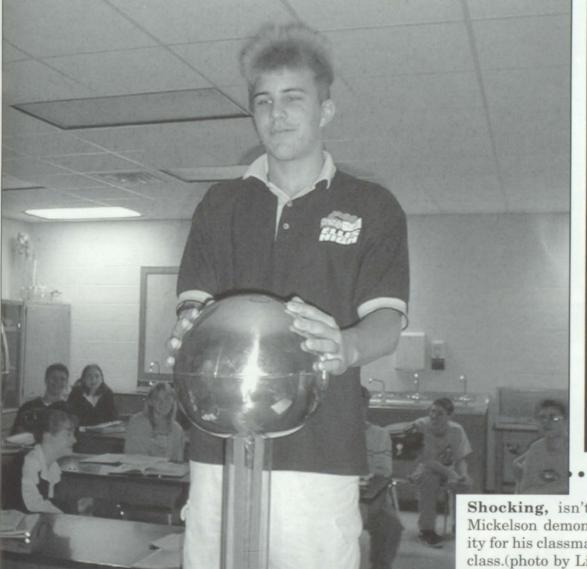
Students research the past, explore the future



Sophomore Mimi Fox inspects her latest sewing project, a sweatshirt. Students were able to choose what to sew in Mrs. Virginia Duell's industrial science class.(photo by Kristen Hazen)

Is this the kidney or the liver? Sophomores Wanda Weber and Courtney Poland work carefully as they try to identify the many parts of a starfish in biology class. (photo by Kim Young)





Archimedes came up with his famous principle, that submerged objects feel a buoyant force equal to the weight of the fluid displaced, while taking a bath!

News Flash

**Shocking,** isn't it? Freshman Sam Mickelson demonstrates static electricity for his classmates in physical science class.(photo by Linda Riedel)

Kristen Hazen

Sparks fly as Clint Amrein, jr., and Devin Schoenthaler, fr., weld pieces of metal in shop class for one of their projects during the year.(photo by Raleen Fisher)

#### **News Flash**

New technology for 1999-2000 school year included: new computers, AutoCad Release 14, and a Color CAD Plotter for mechanical drawing; Freehand 8 for art and journalism; Office '97 Professional and networking for USD 388; new computer tables for the computer lab and Mr. Zerfas's room.

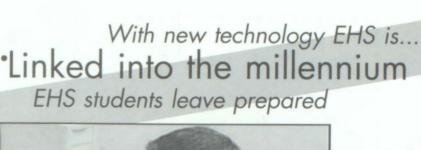


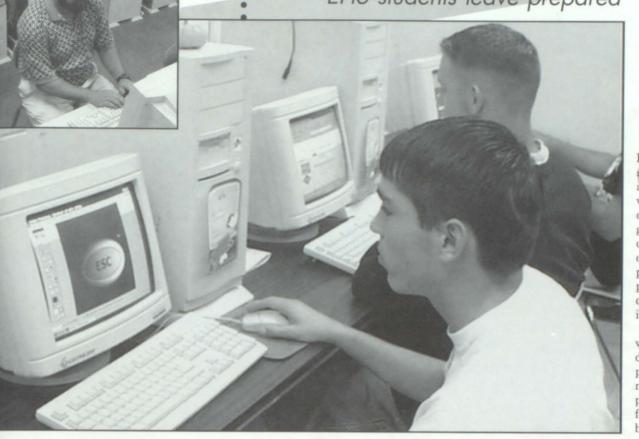


Seniors, Darren Johnson, Derek Schoenthaler, and Travis Keller set up their bottle rocket project in fourth hour physics class. The goal of the project was to launch a rocket with an egg attached to it without breaking the egg.(photo by Maren Smith) Kevin Grogan, fr., works on a pictorial drawing for mechanical drawing class. A pictorical drawing gives the eye's point of view: a front, top, and right view. Students then drew the image using the Autocad 14 computer program.(photo by Amanda Zachman)









During Web Page design, Brett Seibel,sr., and Geoff Andrews,jr., work on a web-page documenting the TLCF grant. The grant required students to work on a cross-curriculum project, developing aspects of a sports complex.(photo by Junior LaBarge)

Bob Young, helped write the grant, coordinated the grant project, and set up the new computer lab made possible by funding from the graant.(photo by Anne Madorin)

#### Grant's Effect on Teachers

The grant has allowed the updating of computers in the mechanical drawing lab. The students are now using software (AutoCad 14) that is used by businesses, universities, and industries. The final hardware item added is a colored plotter with capabilities similar to those used by architectural firms. The grant allowed the equipment to be purchased three years ahead of the district's timeline. --Terry Zerfas, instructor

(photo illustration by Maren Smith)

#### Grant's Effect on Students

Technology has changed greatly since I began school at EHS, but the biggest change occurred my senior year.

The main reason for the change was because of the \$50,000 grant that we received. A bigger computer lab was established in the old P.E./health room, and new computers were placed in the mechanical drawing room, Madorin's room, Howard's room, Hertel's room and the two original labs. This technology has given me many advantages. -- Eric Newton, sr.

Years.

All teachers will be replaced by robots to make things more efficient

-Kelsie Schuster,fr.

Everyone will have their own lap-top that they can bring to their class

-Krista Kohl, jr.
There will be
sunglasses that students
can wear at home to watch
school on TV

-Jesse Leiker, sr.
The students won't have cars to drive because the driving age will be 21

-Valerie Waldschmidt, fr.
There will be no
school at all because
kids will be born
with the knowledge
they need

-Raleen Fisher, sr.

Do You Know...

1. the name of the first yearbook, published in 1915, at Ellis High School?

2. which two colors were originally going to represent EHS, instead of orange and black?

3. which Ivy League school's undefeated football team inspired EHS to choose black and orange for its school colors?

4. how many pieces of paper the janitors pick up in the hallways and classrooms during one year?

5. which teacher from EHS was most recently elected to the USD 388
Teacher Hall of Fame?

Zerfas

Flash Back

Answers: 1. The Prairie Thistle 2. lavender and white 3. Princeton University 4. 2,700 5. instructor Terry

If you could still have one thing from EHS's past, what would it be?

"A coaching job. There is an adrenaline rush when young people succeed that I miss."

- Mr. Robert Young

"An old manual typewriter. Maybe then students would appreciate the computers they have today."

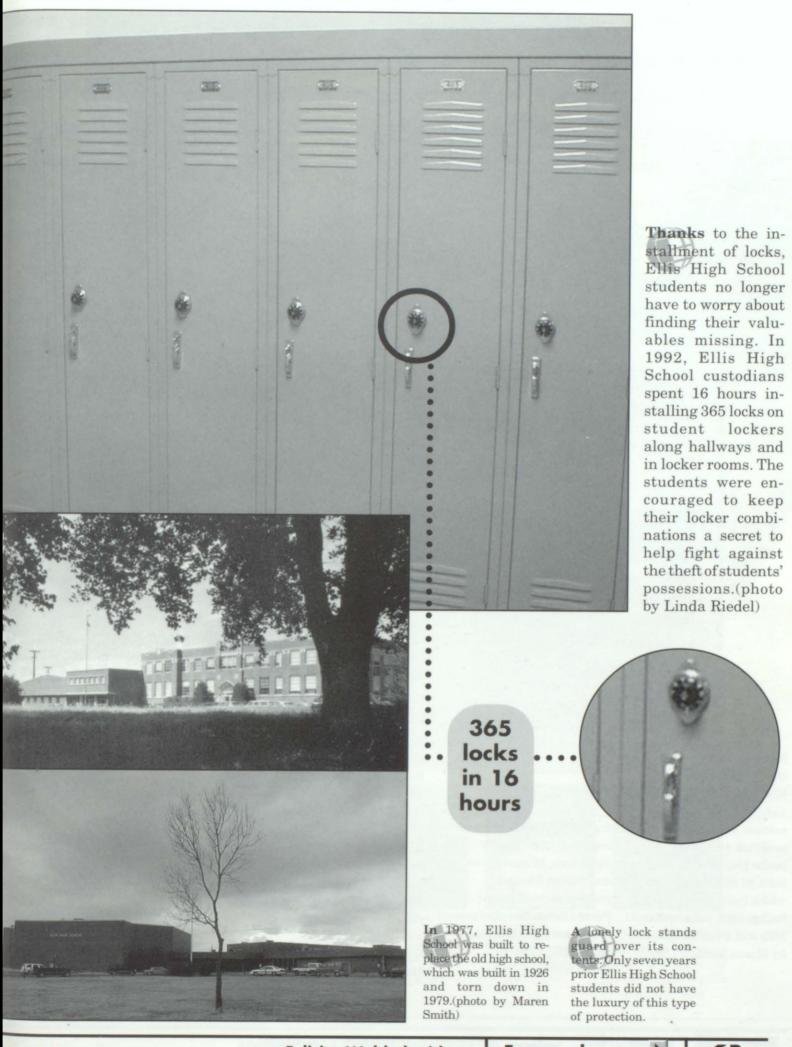
- Mrs. June Howard

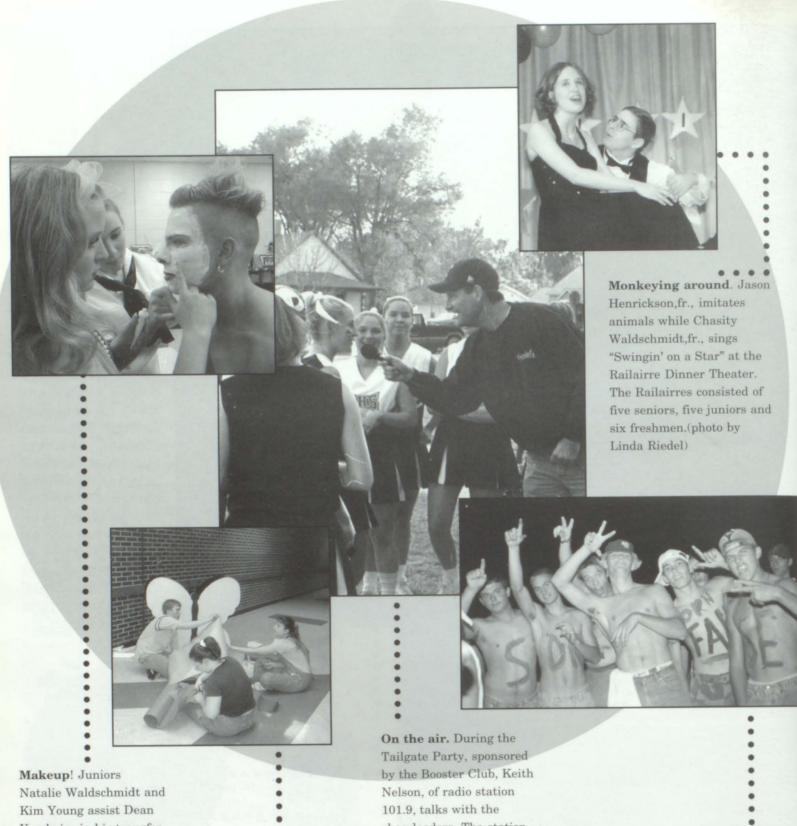
"Students who work fewer hours for money to buy cool clothes and a car."

- Mrs. Cindy Hertel



"In 50 years I think there will be no teachers, only computers that students hook their brains up to," said Matt Dinkel, jr. The old high school didn't meet state and federal regulations so instead of spending money to fix it, Ellis citizens elected to build a new one.





Yanda,jr., in his transformation. Yanda played a medicine man in the junior play. The class built all their props, which included a background, palm trees, hills and a volcano.(photo by Maren Smith)

Swingin' sixties, here we come. Juniors Denise Augustine, Miranda Zorn and Steven Shannon prepare decorations for Prom. Butterflies, flowers and peace signs filled the lobby during the dance.(photo by Amber Keller)

cheerleaders. The station aired Homecoming as the Game of the Week. Callie Kolacny, Mike Haloday and Nelson covered the event. In the time before the game, the cheerleaders performed a crowd cheer for the tailgaters.(photo by Anne Madorin)

Number One. Cheering their class to victory, Seniors Travis Keller, Riley Deutscher, Jesse Leiker, Jr. LaBarge, Brett Seibel and Tyler Fisher demonstrate unconditional loyalty at the Homecoming bonfire. (photo by Maren Smith)



Back

there was never a dull moment @ Ellis High School, from Homecoming to graduation. With so many activites, students were always rushing to a meeting, event or dance. Even though the activites were countless, students pulled through for their organizations. This translated to a successful year for the group, full of memorable experiences. For related information, check out the sites below.

#### Your Inquiry for Activities turned up 9 results:

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FFA/FHA 72-73

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Feature 74-75

Railairres/Jr. Play 70-71

Kayettes/Snoball 76-77



Forensics 78-79

Prom 80-81

**Graduation 82-83** 



If you could add an activity to the school, what would it be?



David Bieker,fr. A Sk8ing Clan would be really cool. All the skaters could just hang out and be punk.



Amanda Hernandez, so. I would like to make every Monday Sleep Day. Students in this club would get points just for sleeping.



Dave McClelland, jr. high school is perfect for a Dunebuggy Racing Club.



Adam Taylor, jr. The field south of the I'd create Students Against Picking on Students (SAPS). Members would think of ways to stop this from happening.



## Homecoming challenges

Catching the moments

Every year instructor Linda Riedel and the photography staff take portraits for Homecoming. The average number taken are 90 sets, but for Homecoming 1999 things were different. The photography staff gave the students one week to sign up and had to pay by Friday. The photography staff took a total of 164 portrait sets plus 3 pictures of each class. This made the total profit increase from \$606.75 to \$986.15.This included the 92 class photos that were ordered by the students: 26 seniors. 28 juniors, 18 sophomores and 20 freshmen.



#### What would



Ashley Taylor, fr.

"Trash bag day would be my ideal day. People could make costumes out of all the trashbags."

#### be your ideal



Dean Yanda, jr.

"A day when everyone gets off of school to work on their float all day as a class."

#### spirit day?



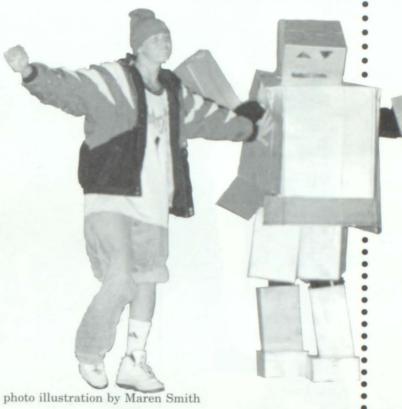
Maren Smith, sr.

"I think that it would be really cool if we had a toga day for Homecoming week."



The crowd yells as Ryan Augustine, fr. and the rest of the team run onto the field before the Homecoming game. The cheerleaders formed a run-through for the players before the game and the crowd was given balloons to let go as the players ran through. (photo by Linda Riedel)

Seniors Tyler Fisher and Jesse Leiker participate in the class airbands during Homecoming week. Fisher was a robot made out of cardboard boxes. "Part of the plan was to beat up the robot and they sure did. It is an experience I shall never forget," said Fisher.(photo by Anne Madorin)







Sophomores Valerie Waldschmidt and Jodi Hill show class spirit by painting Total Convenience's windows.(photo by Raleen Fisher)

Molly Honas, sr., Brett Seibel, sr., Bernadette Frickey, Queen Kristen Hazen, sr., Derek Schoenthaler, sr., Emily Edmonds, sr., King Tyler Fisher, sr. and Brock Long post for candidate pictures before the Homecoming parade. (photo by Linda Riedel)



# Times have changed

# Mini Cheer eaders





The high school cheer-leaders usually hold the Pee Wee Cheer Camp during the football season. But this year, due to knee surgery of sponsor Pauleen Edmonds, the camp was held in December instead of the fall.

Although some cheerleaders thought that the change was chaotic, in the eyes of the young, it was FAN-tastic.

"I had a lot of fun. But the best thing was doing the dance in front of everyone," said Stephanie Young, cheer camp participant.

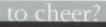
### At which college

### would you like



Denise Augustine, jr.

I would cheer at
Florida State University because they
compete in national
competitions, and it
is warm down
there.





Amanda Ball, fr.

I would cheer at Kansas State because I like the little mascot that cheers with the cheerleaders.

perform well. Plus who wouldn't want to go to school in Hawaii?

Molly Honas, sr.

University of Hawaii.

They are strong and

Hats off to you! The tenors and sopranos pose after singing "High Hopes." The Railairres performed the show on March 16 and 17. (photo by Linda Riedel)

Honey Hotchkiss (Mandy Zerfas) touches up her makeup as Miss Buford (Suzie Shepherd) holds her mirror. (photo by Denise Augustine)

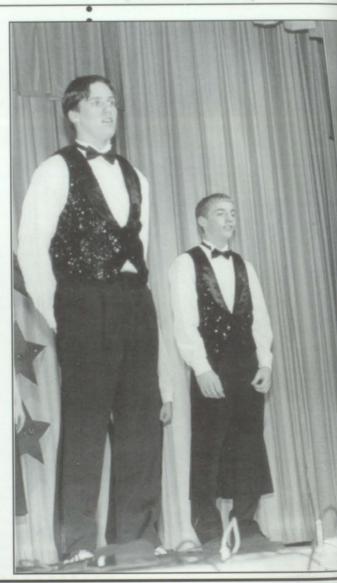




LAGO RED

Oh, the trauma! Trixie Lupino (Natalie Waldschmidt) realizes her possible fate as Nurse Jane (Danielle Honas) tries to calm her with a sea sick injection in the junior play. (photo by Denise Augustine)

Singing to the crowd, Jesse Leiker, sr. and Anthony Taylor, fr. wait for the next dance move. The theme for the dinner theatre was "A Night at the Oscars." (photo by Linda Riedel)



"I take deep breaths and listen to my friends when they say everything will be okay."

Lyndsay Dorzweiler, jr.



"I use my philosophy. 'If they don't like it, then they can come up and do it themselves.""

Jason Henrickson, fr.



to calm

"I take deep breaths and think happy thoughts. Other than that I just have to wait them out."

Krista Kohl, jr.



Peering over the bluff, pirates Tyler Watson, Joe Kreutzer, and Nick Keller make sure the coast is clear. The pirates wanted to take over Goon Lagoon in the Junior Play. (photo by Denise Augustine)

Balancing school and extra-curricular activities was a challenge, but for those who performed on stage, the thrill made it all seem worthwhile. Grueling practice consumed spare time for the Railairres and members of the junior play.

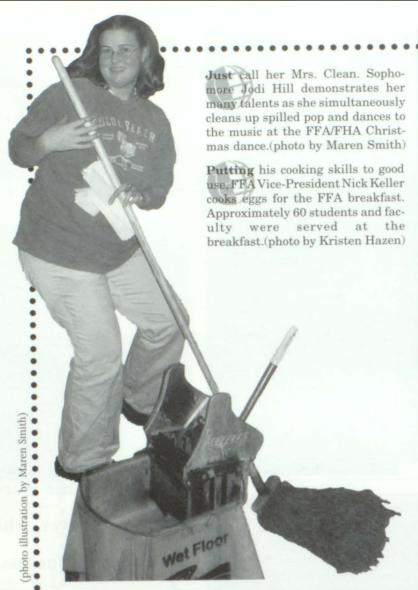
After all the hard work, however, the shows were successful

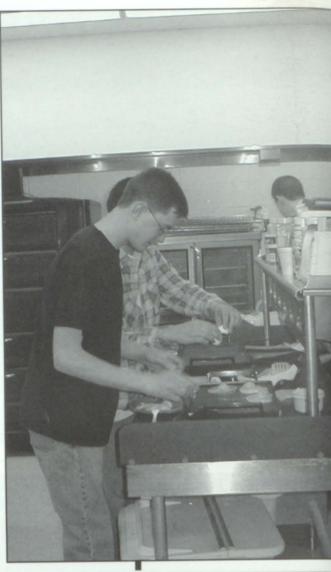
"I felt relieved that it was finally over and all the hard work paid off," said Miranda Zorn, jr. The participants felt only relief, as the last curtain went down.

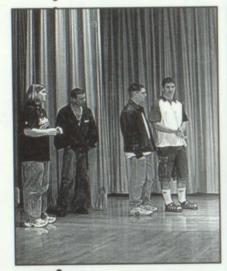
Defeating dry mouths and cold feet

Staging Perfection

Kimberly Young







Juniors Derric Fuchs and Dave McClelland and sophomores Jake Dreiling and Jodi Hill wait their turn to speak about their favorite FFA activities on KWCH TV station.(photo by Kristen Hazen)

Don't let it drop! Freshmen Laycie Keller and Jason Henrickson test their catching skills in the water balloon toss held at the FHA Freshman Kidnap.(photo by Maren Smith) .......



## Trying something different

# FFA/FHA: New Moves





Facing the montony of doing the same activities each year, FFA members brainstormed for a new activity they could implement and decided to host a Christmas dance with the FHA organization.

The dance was held on Dec. 18 in the lobby.

So was the dance a success? Well, according to freshman Jordan Helget it was. You see, he got to dance with the DJ. "I hadn't danced all night, until I noticed the DJ was looking good, but I was too nervous to ask her, so Clint Amrein asked her for me," said Helget.

### What leadership

### skills have FFA/

### FHA taught you?



Amanda Zachman, so.

It puts us into groups, so I have learned to cooperate and make decisions that will benefit the organization.



Shane Sommers, sr.

It shows us that sometimes you have to follow a leader before you can lead.



Vicki Solomon, sr.

Being in FHA has taught me many valuable leadership skills that will help me in the future.





### **Excuses**

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- 10. Fell asleep
  - At boy/girlfriend's house
  - 8. Taking other people home
  - 7. There wasn't a ride
  - 6. Train
  - 5. Car problems
  - 4. Didn't have a watch or watch stopped working
  - 3. Watching a movie at someone's house
  - 2. Talking to a friend
  - 1. Lost track of time

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- 2. jeans?
- 3. an average date (dinner & movie)?
- 4. gas every 2 weeks?
- 5. snacks after school?

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If Ellis would add one new activity, what would it be and why?

A radio station because it gives us a say-so in what music is on the radio. Plus it is good start for people who may want to pursue such a career.

Jesse Leiker,sr.

A dance team because I love to dance, and it would be a crowd pleaser.

Kimberly Young, jr.

A swimming pool in the high school because then we could go swimming for P.E. and not have to run.

Kelsie Schuster, fr.



"If Ellis would add a new activity, I would like it to be a place with a movie theatre so there is something to do." Adrienne Heroneme, fr.

The first Nike shoe was developed in 1968 by Philip Knight and William Bowerman



Kayettes strive to...

# Lend a Helping Hand

Got the sniffles? Kayettes to the rescue! All most everyone in the school had the sniffles at least once during the year. Because of this reason, the Kayettes collected boxes of tissues and distributed them to the teachers. Students could find a tissue right away anywhere in the building and were not forced to use toilet paper. For every two boxes brought, a Kayette could earn one point toward Snoball. "The tissue collection is a yearly event and it really helps the teachers," said Kim Bieker, sr.

### f you could

### what charity

### would you start



Kelli Wagoner, so.

"I would raise money for homeless kids so more homes can be built for them to live in."



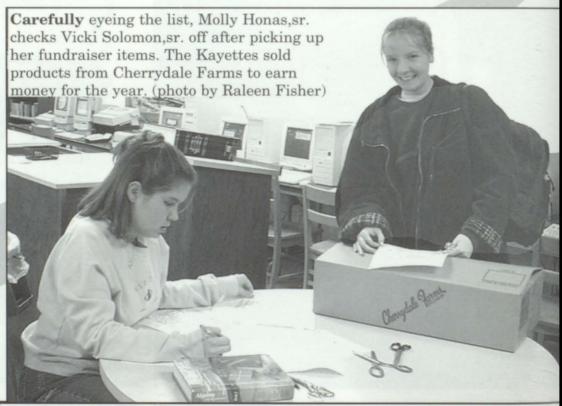
Danielle Honas, jr.

"I would start a charity for elderly people, so they could pay for someone to take care of them rather than going to a nursing home."



Erin Jones, fr.

"My charity would have some kind of games involved, and the money would go to the kids in Africa."





Kristen Hazen, sr. and Kimberly Young, jr. take a break from dancing. The snoball theme was "Rumble in the Jungle." (photo by Kayci Weimer)

Looking sleek, Danielle Honas, jr., Anna Weimer, sr., and Beth Walz, so., show off their dresses during snoball. (photo by Kayci Weimer)



(photo illustration by Kimberly Young)



Sold! Seniors Kim Bieker and Emily Edmonds auction food boxes for Kayettes. The proceeds were sent to the Ronald McDonald Home. (photo by Anne Madorin)

Snoball royalty were Amanda Zachman, so., Daniel Dinkel, so., Joe Kreutzer, jr., Lyndsay Dorzweiler, jr., Cody Fisher, fr., Joan Dreiling, fr., Travis Keller, sr., Anna Weimer, sr. (photo by Linda Riedel)

During the 99-00 forensics season, the team decided to try new ideas to motivate themselves for state. Instead of just driving down and competing, state festival qualifiers had a picnic to relieve some stress. Instead of driving down and playing putt-putt, state champion qualifiers drove to Wichita Friday after school and engaged in a game of laser tag. The amount of exercise used to play allowed the team to release some stored up nervous energy. "Laser tag really brought the team together," Natalie Waldschmidt, jr., said.

"Trying to get to state and my partner Ashley Taylor helped me out a lot."

ChasityWaldschmidt, fr.



What was your

"Having people laugh at Adrienne and me during our IDA's really kept me going."

Adam Taylor, jr.



motivation this

"Every single one of my friends broke finals at least once during the season. They were so happy, so I wanted to be as happy as they were."

Jessi Riedel, fr.

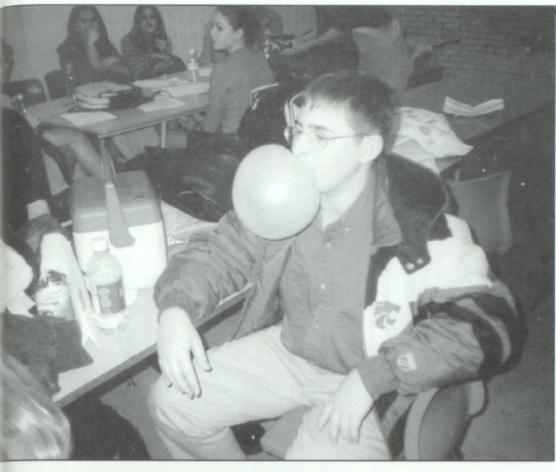


forensics season



# A New Approach

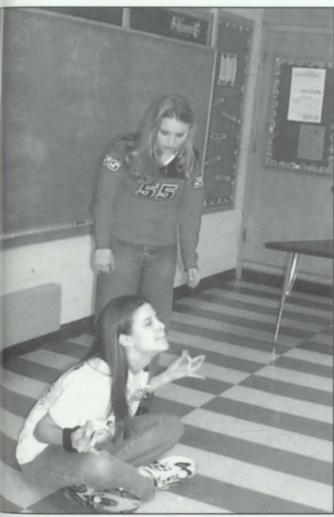
Strategies bring about victories



Freshman Jason Henrickson tests his bubble-blowing abilities as he blows a bubble during lunch break at the forensics tournament in Ness City.(photo by Jessi Riedel)

Kim Bieker, sr., performs her poetry for Washington Grade School's fourth, fifth and sixth grade students. "The kids were really excited to see us perform. I thought it was a good way to practice," Bieker said. (photo by Anne Madorin)





Concentrating really hard, Felicity Waldschmidt, jr., and Natalie Waldschmidt, jr., perform their duet. They qualified for state champs and made it to semi-finals. (photo by Anne Madorin)



That's my seat! Sophomore Bryan Saindon and Steven Shannon, jr., perform their IDA for Forensics night. Saindon and Shannon made it to state in IDA and have been partners for two years. (photo by Maren Smith)

# Creative

# Memories

Because of a shortage of money, the Prom scene was decorated in a cheaper hippy-sixty style instead of the usual more expensive romantic scene. The junior class worked for seven hours decorating the lobby for Psychedelic Saturday Night, the Prom theme. The lobby was decorated in smiley face balloons, big neon flowers, and peace signs.

"I was glad to see so many juniors help decorate and clean up for Prom,"said Suzie Shepherd, junior class president.



Joe Kreutzer, jr. "Korn. Their music expresses the way the lead singer was abused as a child. Their music is real."

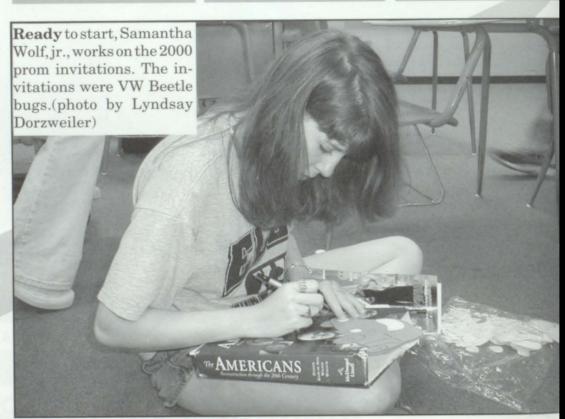


Debbie Wagoner,sr. "Kid Rock. I like his music, and I would like to go to one of his concerts. I wouldn't have to drive far to see him."

### would you like to have at prom



Nick Keller, jr. "AeroSmith. It would be really cool to have them play at our prom because I wouldn't have to pay to see them."





Hunger awaits. The menu for Prom was turkey, mashed potatoes, dressing, green beans, orange Jell-o, a cookie and ice-cream. (photo by Anne Madorin)

Almost finished. Juniors Miranda Zorn, Steven Shannon, Denise Augustine, and Kimberly Young help decorate the lobby before Prom.(photo by Anne Madorin)







Cheered on by her friends, Mandy Zerfas, jr., uses her balance and skill to keep the hoop moving around her waist during a contest held by the DJ at Prom.(photo by Maren Smith) Seniors Jesse Leiker and Derek Schoenthaler put their arms around each other for one last Prom picture together.(photo by Linda Riedel Valedictorian Maren Smith and classmate Anne Madorin model the silver robes worn by the female graduates. The male graduates wore green robes, and all graduates completed the robes with a white rose corsage.(photo by Shari Riedel)

Exchange student Khalida Nurmetova and Chris LaBarge walk to the reception line after the commencement ceremony had ended. The ceremony took approximately 45 minutes to graduate the 31 seniors.(photo by Linda Riedel)







photo illustration by Felicity Waldschmidt)

Amber Keller receives her diploma from Superintendent Brad Neuenswander. Neuenswander was the speaker at the commencement exercises.(photo by Linda Riedel)

Singing "The Perfect Fan" was the seniors' way of thanking their parents for the help and support given during their lives. Following the seniors, the Railairres sang "I Will Remember You." (photo by Darrel Smith)



"I see myself probably married with a couple of kids. I will live somewhere in the U.S. working as an architect."

Darren Johnson, sr.



"Living in Seattle, married with two kids. I plan on becoming a musician, and hopefully in twenty years I'll still be making music."

Janelle Bieker, sr.



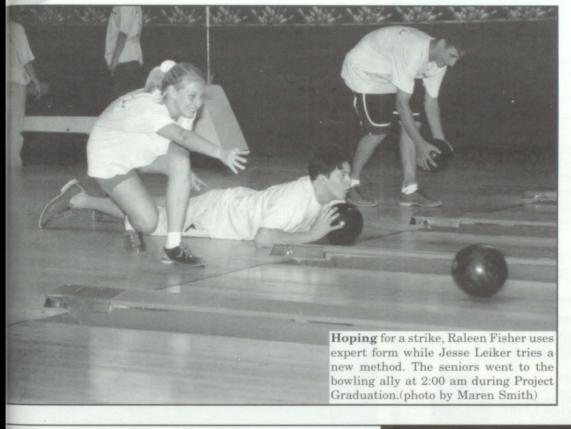
see yourself in

"I see myself very rich. I'll work as a private investigator. I will own twenty Toyotas and will live on the beach."

Riley Deutscher, sr.



Graduation is a time for remembering good times and thanking all who have helped you to make it where you are. During the song, "The Perfect Fan," sung by the seniors during graduation, the graduates gave a white rose to their parents. The rose was given in gratitude for all the support and help that their parents had given them throughout their life, especially the high school years. Tears of happiness and remembrance were shed as the seniors received their diplomas and prepared to enter the next phase of their lives.



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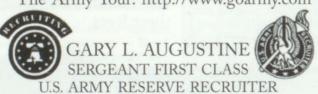
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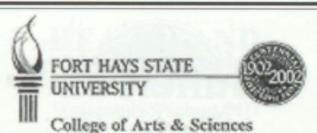
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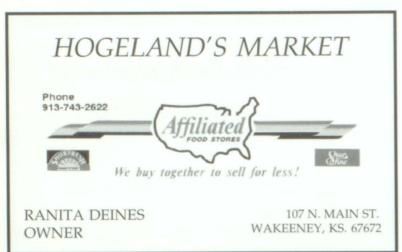
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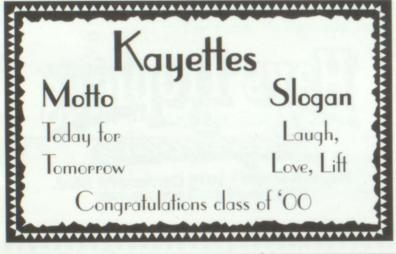
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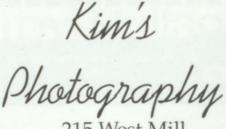




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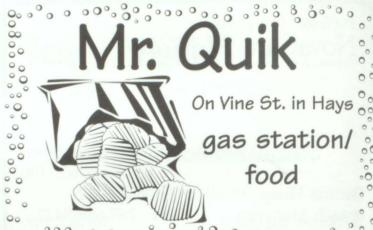
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Devin Schoenthaler, fr. works on his project in ag class. Ag was taught by Mr. Eldon Pfeifer who also was the sponsor of Ellis High School's FFA organization. (Photo by Linda Riedel)

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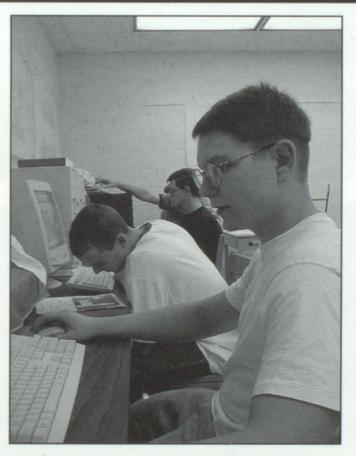
U.S.D. school board members convened on the first Monday of every month. Row 1: Cheryl Helget, Gayla Wichman, and Art Schoenthaler. Row2: Vonda Keever, Gary Luea, and Arlin Mills. Not pictured Art Honas. (Photo by Krista Kohl)



Freshmen attempt a blind life. Mrs.
Karen Madorin had the freshmen experience life by cooking different items to eat and placing blindfolds on all of them.(Photo by Anne Madorin)

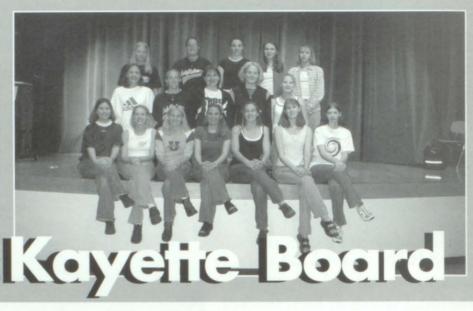


Senior girls show off their rocket in physics class. Phsysics was taught by Mr. Perry Mick.(Photo by Anne Madorin)

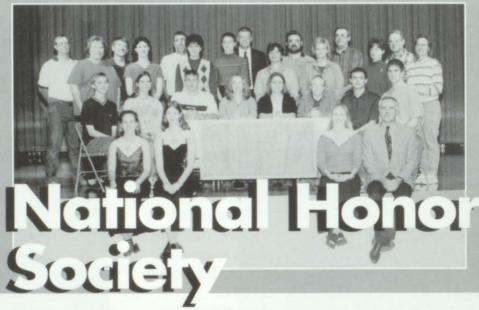


**David McClelland works on designing house plans.** McClelland was a third year student in mechanical drawing.(Photo by Maren Smith)

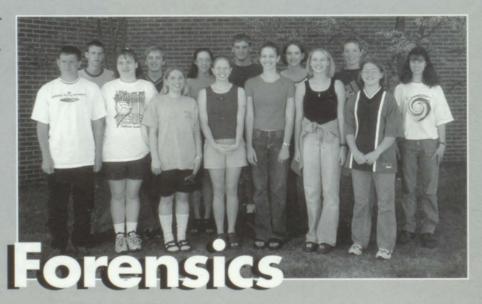
1999-2000 Kayette Board. Front: M. Honas, points chairwoman, K. Hazen, secretary, R. Fisher, K. Bieker, president, E. Edmonds, vice-president, A. Madorin, M. Smith. Row 2: V. Waldschmidt, D. Honas, K. Weimer, B. Lang, C. Kinderknecht. Row 3: N. Henderson, J. Hill, B. Dinkel, K. Young, treasurer, K. Kohl. Not pictured: A. Weimer, B. Walz. (photo by Linda Riedel)

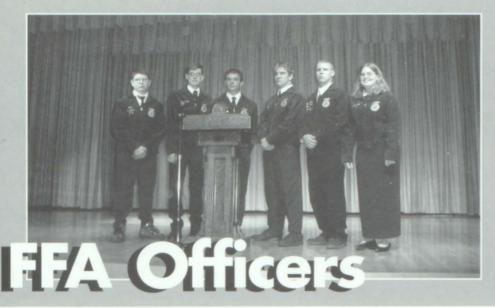


1999-2000 National Honor Society. Front: E. Edmonds, M. Smith, C. Kinderknecht, Principal R. Romine. Row 2: S. Shannon, F. Waldschmidt, D. Shoenthaler, S. Shepherd, K. Young, D. Honas, T. Keller, D. Fuchs. Row 3: S. Shannon, V. Waldschmidt, D. Schoenthaler, H. Shepherd, C. Young, M. Parke, L. Keller, S. Fuchs. Row 4: W. Shannon, C. Waldschmidt, D. Shoenthaler, P. Shepherd, R. Young, J. Honas, G. Keller.(photo by Linda Riedel)



1999-2000 Forensics Team. State contenders: Front: T. Keller, K. Weimer, K. Bieker, S. Shepherd, F. Waldschmidt, K. Hazen, A. Taylor. Row 2: B. Saindon, S. Shannon, A. Heroneme, A. Taylor, C. Waldschmidt, J. Riedel, J. Dreiling. Not pictured: N. Waldschmidt, M. Smith, M. Kinderknecht. Other members, not pictured: A. Weimer, J. Leiker, K. Young, M. Zorn, D. Fuchs, J. Hill, C. Deutscher, J. Smith, L. Keller, J. Henrickson, B. Shubert, R. Kohl, J. Helget, E. Pfeifer, Coach Linda Riedel. (photo by Raleen Fisher)

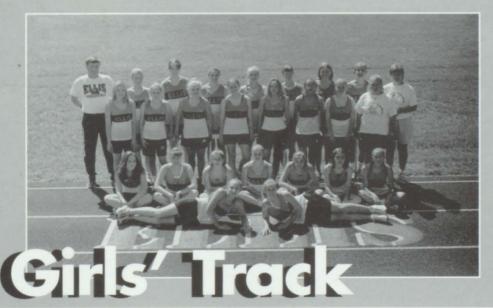




1999-2000 FFA Officers. D. McClelland, secretary, N. Keller, vice-president, T. Keller, president, D. Fuchs, treasurer, J. Dreiling, sentinel, J. Hill, reporter. Not pictured: T. Fisher, student coucil representive.(photo by Krista Kohl)



1999-2000 FHA Officers.
Front: M. Smith, student
coucil representive, R.
Fisher, vice-president of
public relations, V. Solomon,
points chairwoman, V.
Waldschmidt, treasurer.
Row 2: B. Dinkel, president,
M. Honas, historian, E.
Edmonds, secretary, K.
Hazen, vice-president.(photo
by Anne Madorin)



1999-2000 Girls' Track. Front: J.
Homewood, E. Edmonds. Row 2: C. Moses,
L. Chemakina, A. Taylor, D. Henderson, S.
Bradstreet, T. Kroeger, A. Ball. Row 3: A.
Zachman, C. Deutscher, N. Waldschmidt,
S. Shepherd, K. Kohl, A. Cross, L.
Dorzweiler, Mrg. K. Weber. Row 4: Coach
C. Rorabaugh, J. Riedel, J. Smith, B.
Dinkel, C. Kinderknecht, C. Poland, K.
Wagoner, K. Madorin, Asst. Coach P.
Irwin.(photo by Linda Riedel)

Meet	Place
Ellis Inv.	5th
LaCrosse	1st
Wakeeney Fr-So	4th
Plainville	4th
Wakeeney	12th
Victoria	3rd
League	8th
Regional	9th
State	

Hill City Palco Dighton W Plainville W Otis-Bison Kinsley Hoisington Victoria WWW Victoria Trego Trego Phillipsburg w Osborne Plainville Victoria Northern Valley Phillipsburg Winona-Triplains Ransom W Quinter Ness City LaCrosse Trego Smith Center Hill City Plainville Stockton Phillipsburg

Hoxie

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1999-2000 Volleyball. Front: Mrg. M. Konrade, L. Chemakina, M. Wickham, A. Taylor, C. Deutscher, D. Henderson, S. LaBarge, S. Bradstreet, C. Walker, N. Henderson, L. Dorzweiler, Mrg. C. Walschmidt. Row 2: J. Riedel, M. Weber, E. Kitzman, C. Kinderknecht, E. Edmonds, A. Weimer, R. Fisher, K. Kohl, N. Waldschmidt, K. Young, J. Hill, K. Weimer, Mgr. K. Weber. Row 3: Mgr. W. Weber, K. Schuster, A. Heroneme, K. Madorin, K. Hazen, F. Waldschmidt, V. Waldschmidt, B. Lang, B. Dinkel, E. Fischer, J. Tway, D. Honas, S. Shepherd, B. Walz, J. Kitzman, Asst. Coach J. Miller, Coach K. Bittel, JV. Coach D. Rorabaugh. Not pictured: L. Keller. (Photo by Ellison Photography)

EHS		OP
30	Hill City	14
21	Osborne	6
12	Pillipsburg	6
0	Smith Center	42
28	Trego	24
18	Norton	42
27	Stockton	21
35	Plainville	0
56	Victoria	0
8	Sacred Heart	20



1999-2000 Football. Front: S. Mickelson, A. Cross, C. Jerauld, R. Kohl, J. Helget, D. Schoenthale C. Young, D. Dinkel. Row 2: Mgr. D. Haas, R. Armbrister, R. Augustine, C. Fisher, T. Watson, M. Dinkel, J. Dreiling, S. Reed, Mgr. J. Johnson, Mgr. R. Day. Row 3: Asst. Coach D. Wildeman, T. Fisher, D. Yanda, G. Andrews, C. LaBarge, B. Seibel, J. LaBarge, C. Waldschmidt, C. Amrein, D. Schoenthaler, D. Fuchs, Coach A. Schoenthaler, Asst. Coach D. Long. (Photo by Ellison Photograpy)

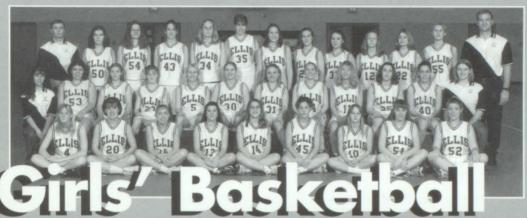


1999-2000 Golf. Front: J. Helget, S. Shubert, T. Keller, Coach J. Kolacny, S. Mickelson, T. Fisher, C. Fisher. Row 2: D. Fox, C. Young, N. Keller, D. Hook, B. Shubert, K. Grogan, J. Henrickson. (Photo by Denise Augustine)



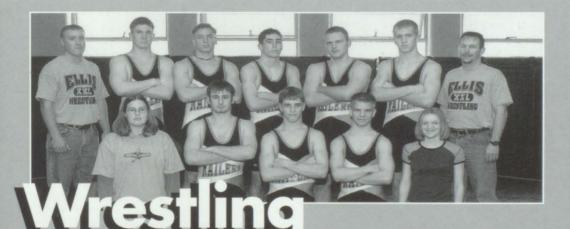
1999-2000 Basketball. Front: D. Fox, C. Young, R. Kohl, S. Mickelson, A. Taylor, D. Schoenthaler, E. Pfeifer, A. Cross, J. Johnson. Row 2: Mgr. J. Helget, Mgr. T. Keller, D. Haas, T. Walker, L. Karlin, T. Fisher, S. Befort, T. Robins, Mgr. K. Weber, Mgr. K. Grogan. Row 3: Coach C. Rorabaugh, J. Schartz, J. Dreiling, J. Leiker, J. LaBarge, G. Andrews, A. Taylor, D. Schoenthaler, B. Saindon, C. Fisher.(photo by Ellison Photography)

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1999-2000 Basketball. Front: E. Jones, L. Keller, S. Bradstreet, M. Wickham, A. Taylor, S. LaBarge, C. Deutscher, L. Chemakina, J. Riedel. Row 2: Mrg. J. Dreiling, J. Kitzman, M. Dinkel, C. Walker, R. Fisher, C. Kinderknecht, N. Waldschmidt, K. Bieker, K. Kohl, B. Dinkel, E. Kitzman, Mrg. K. Wagner. Row 3: Asst. Coach D. Wildeman, E. Fischer, K. Schuster, J. Tway, B. Lang, J. Smith, V. Waldschmidt, E. Edmonds, K. Young, S. Shepherd, B. Walz, K. Madorin, Coach P. Mick. (Photo by Ellison Photography)

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53	Smith Center	77
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81	Victoria	78
31	Norton	48
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1999-2000 Wrestling. Front: Mrg. J. Hill, R. Armbrister, M. Dinkel, D. Dinkel, Mrg. D. Henderson. Row 2: Coach C. Dinkel, D. Fuchs, D. Yanda, B. Seibel, C. LaBarge, R. Augustine, Asst. Coach J. Williams. Not pictured: David Bieker and Daniel Hook.(Photo by Ellison Photography)

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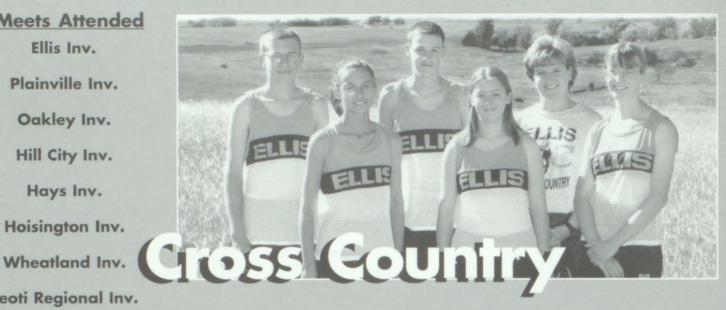
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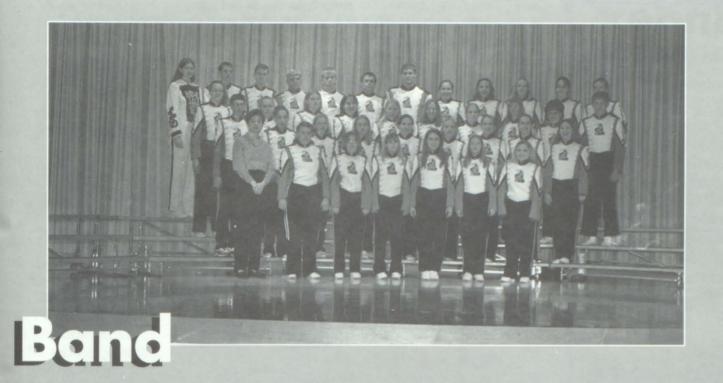
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1999-2000 Cross Country. Front: A. Cross, M. Dinkel, C. Poland. Row 2: E. Pfeifer, B. Saindon, Coach P. Irwin.

Place Meets Ellis Inv. 5th LaCrosse 1st Plainville 2nd 11th Trego 2nd tie Victoria MCL 7th Regionals State

1999-2000 Boys' Track. Front: Mrg. K. Hazen, Asst. Coach P. Irwin, Coach J. Wolf, Mrg. R. Fisher. Row 2: D. Dinkel, S. Reed, R. Kohl, A. Cross, R. Augustine, B. Saindon, R. Armbrister, A. Taylor, J. Schartz, E. Pfeifer. Row 3: J. Dreiling, D. Schoenthaler. Row 4: C. Amrein, T. Watson, D. Schoenthaler, J. LaBarge, D. Fuchs, B. Seibel, G. Andrews. (photo Ellison Photography)



999-2000 Band. Front: Director R. Dawson, J. Kitzman, A. Taylor, J. Demars, K. Young, M. Dinkel, N. Waldchmidt, R. Day, E. Kitzman, D. Henderson, A. Ball, B. Dinkel, A. Weimer, K. Hazen, E. Edmonds, M. Honas. Row 3: C. Schuster, K. Weber, K. Wagoner, K. Weimer, N. Henderson, S. Shepherd, C. Kinderknecht, C. Poland, L. Keller, L. Young. Row 4: Drum Maj. M. Smith, B. Saindon, N. Keller, K. Grogan, R. Augustine, T. Keller, A. Taylor, J. Hill, J. Waldschmidt, D. Honas, J. Tway, J. Riedel.(photo by Linda Riedel)



1999-2000 Choir. Front: M. Fox, D. Henderson, A. Ball, S. Bradstreet, N. Waldschmidt, B. Dinkel, J. Henrickson, A. Veimer, K. Bieker, J. Helget, D. Dinkel, T. Kroeger, A. Cross, A. Taylor, M. Wickham, S. LaBarge, J. Bieker. Row 2: M. Lorn, A. Keller, N. Henderson, K. Kohl, C. Kinderknecht, W. Weber, J. Hill, S. Shepherd, C. Young, C. Waldschmidt, T. Keller, M. Zerfas, E. Edmonds, R. Fisher, K. Young, J. Kreutzer. Row 3: C. Moses, C. Waldschmidt, J. Kitzman, E. Kitzman, K. Weimer, D. Honas, A. Keller, S. Shannon, R. Kohl, B. Saindon, M. Dinkel, J. Dreiling, A. Taylor, K. Hazen, M. Honas, J. Dreiling, L. Keller. Row 4: E. Jones, M. Smith, J. Smith, K. Schuster, A. Heroneme, F. Waldschmidt, M. Weber, V. Waldschmidt, R. Augustine, T. Fisher, J. Lieker, G. Andrews, A. Taylor, J. Riedel, L. Chemakina, K. Madorin, L. Tway, Director K. Dreiling.(photo by Linda Riedel)

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# Class of 2000!

# Colophon

The 2000 edition of the Ellis High School Railroder yearbook was published by the EHS yearbook staff and printed by Jostens of Topeka, Kan. Sales representative was Derius Mammen, and inplant representative was Lori Wishert. Press run was 120 copies with 112 pages. The Railroader was printed with a trim size of 7. Body copy in the book is Futura Book, Joanna MT, New Century Schblk.

The Railroader is a computer-generated book, and all work was done by students using the PageMaker 6.5 and Photohshop 5.0 programs on IBM computers and a laser printer.

Portraits and group photographs were taken by the Ellis High School photography and journalism staffs, The Ellis Review, Ellison Photography, Kim's Photography, Pioneer Photography and Smoky Hill Photography.

The Railroader was financed through book sales, \$30 business ads and \$20 booster ads.

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1999-2000 Photography Staff. Front: R. Fisher, D. Augustine, A. Keller. Row 2: M. Smith, A. Madorin, J. Leiker. Not pictured: Mrs. Linda Riedel, adviser. (Photoby Linda Riedel)





1999-2000 Journalism Staff. Front: Dorzweiler. Row 2: S. Riedel, K. Your business manager. Row 3: K. Kohl, ads manag F. Waldschmidt. Row 4: K. Hazen, E. Fischer. Ro 4: R. Fisher, newsmagazine editor; M. Smith, editor; A. Madorin, co-editor. Not pictured: M Cindy Hertel, adviser. (Photo by Cindy Hertel)

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Wichita allocates \$250 million to renovate many of its historical buildings as well as financing new construction.

Gasoline shortages drive the price per gallon to its highest ever across the country all year. Government agencies seek to find relief from poor planning and stockpiling of oil.

SUPER CLEAN

BRUSHLESS CAR WASH

Media mogul Ted Turner buys two

ranches in Barber County with plans to create a bison ranch and wildlife preserve.





Rolling Hills Wildlife Refuge opens in Saline County in October. It has the country's largest collection of mounted extinct & endangered animals, as well as a refuge for live endagered species.



STAR LUMBER gave a 159-acre outdoor recreational facility to the Wichita Area Girl Scouts in October. STAR'S President Chris Goebel helps the Girl Scouts with the changing of the



Exploration Place, a \$62 million, hands-on children's science museum, opens in April in Wichita. The museum, which is one of only a few of its kind in the country, sold opening day tickets in advance for its interactive exhibits.



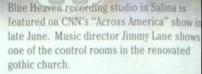
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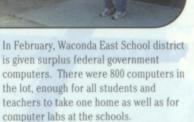




Legislators and wildlife officials consider options to trim number of deer in Kansas to cut down on cardeer accidents. In February, the legislature passed a bill that allows more permits for deer hunting.

Wildlife agencies agree that these measures need to be taken to control the deer population.







In March, a nude Topeka woman carrying scissors attempts entry into the Governors' office. Her progress was halted peacefully by security. Her reasons for this attempt were not made available.



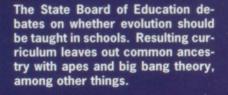
Senate approves a bill in February which will increase fines for not wearing a seat belt. Kansas is one of the last states to enforce more strict measures for safety belt violations.





Mutual Telephone Co. sets aside millions of dollars from the sale of Kansas Cellular to Alltel in the fall for a community foundation to help small Kansas towns.

# Flash



What started as a school project for students at Frankfort High School almost became state law. The proposed bill would have to provide condoms to all students after completeting a sex education class. But, due to its controversial nature, it didn't get very far.



Construction crew unearths Prehistoric Columbian Mammoth fossil near Pratt in October. Workers were digging a sewage lagoon for a nearby stockyard when they found the remains.

1999



The historic Brookville Hotel, known for their fried chicken, closed in Brookville because of water service in the small town. In Abilene, the owners built a replica of the old building, which opens in May, and will continue to serve their famous chicken.



Federal biologists give Kansas one year from February to develop plans to protect prairie dogs, or they go onto endangered species list.

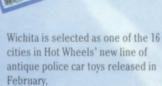
Ranchers and farmers are fighting to keep a weed from damaging the ranching industry and changing the state's ecosystem. The Chinese Clover Bush resists herbicides. blocks light and steals water from rangeland



senior at Oakley High School.



Studies in April show that the Arkansas River flows cleanly into Wichita, but flows out of the city more than twice as polluted.





Kansas Legislature bends the fireworks law to allow the purchase and use of fireworks in selected counties for millennium celebra-



Flash

Flu season in Kansas was the harshest in years, experts say. Hospitals and doctors offices were kept busy in December with the outbreak.

Kansas representatives are unhappy with the national government's handling of the Elian Gonzales situation. The future of the Cuban boy, who arrived by boat off the coast of Floridain November, has become a matter of contention between the U.S., Cuba, and Elian's family.

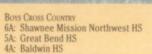


Adult material is found by a Concordia childcaregiver in February, hidden under a Barney songbook cover. Publishers say that recycled material was used and caught during production, but a few copies made it to the public.



An Amtrak passenger and mail train derails just south of Carbondale in March. Twenty-nine were mildly injured and there was one casualty.





4A: Baldwin HS 3A: Northern Heights HS 2-1A: Stanton County HS

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY
6A: Shawnee Mission East HS
5A: Bishop Carroll HS
4A: Ottawa HS
3A: Northern Heights HS
2-1A: Olpe HS

GIRLS GOLF 6-5A: Shawnee Mission Northwest HS 4-3-2-1A: Columbus HS

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4A: Concordia HS
3A: Smith Center HS
2-1A: Claflin HS
8-Man Div. I: Little River HS
8-Man Div. II: Hanston HS

Boys Basketball 6A: Leavenworth HS 5A: Shawnee Heights HS 4A: Sumner Academy HS

3A: Osage City HS 2A: Colgan HS 1A: Brewster HS

IA: Centralia HS

Girls Basketball 6A: Blue Valley North HS 5A: Topeka West HS 4A: Burlington HS 3A: St. Marys HS 2A: Osborne HS Wrestling
6A: Emporia HS
5A: Arkansas City HS
4A: Goodland HS
3-2-1A: Effingham HS

Boys Swimming & Diving 6-5-4-3-2-1A: Blue Valley North HS

Girls Swimming & Diving

6-5-4-3-2-1A: Trinity HS

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Wichita's only professional golf tournament, The Nike Tour, comes under new sponsorship in October. It is now known as the Buy.com Tour.



Amanda Erwin from Goddard is named Miss Rodeo Kansas 2000 at the competion in Dodge City. Miss Erwin will serve as a good will ambassador for the sport of rodeo and the state of Kansas.

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2-1A: Sacred Heart HS

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5A: Andover HS
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2-1A: Wichita Independent HS
Sand Greens: Chase County HS

Softball 6A: Shawnee Mission Northwest HS 5A: Arkansas City HS 4A: Augusta HS 3A: St. Marys HS 2-1A: Rossville HS

Boys Track
6A: Hutchinson HS
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2A: Stanton County HS
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4A: Parsons HS

Boys Tennis 6A: Shawnee Mission South HS

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Scholars Bowl 6A: Lawrence HS 5A: Andover HS 4A: Hayden HS 3A: Wichita Collegiate HS 2A: Wichita County HS 1A: Ness City HS

Speech 6A: Topeka HS 6A: Goddard HS 4A: Atchison HS 3A: Oakley HS 2A: Sterling HS 1A: Dighton HS

# Flash

Emporia's historic Santa Fe Train Depot is destroyed by fire in August. Built in 1882, the depot was listed on the Kansas Historic Register.

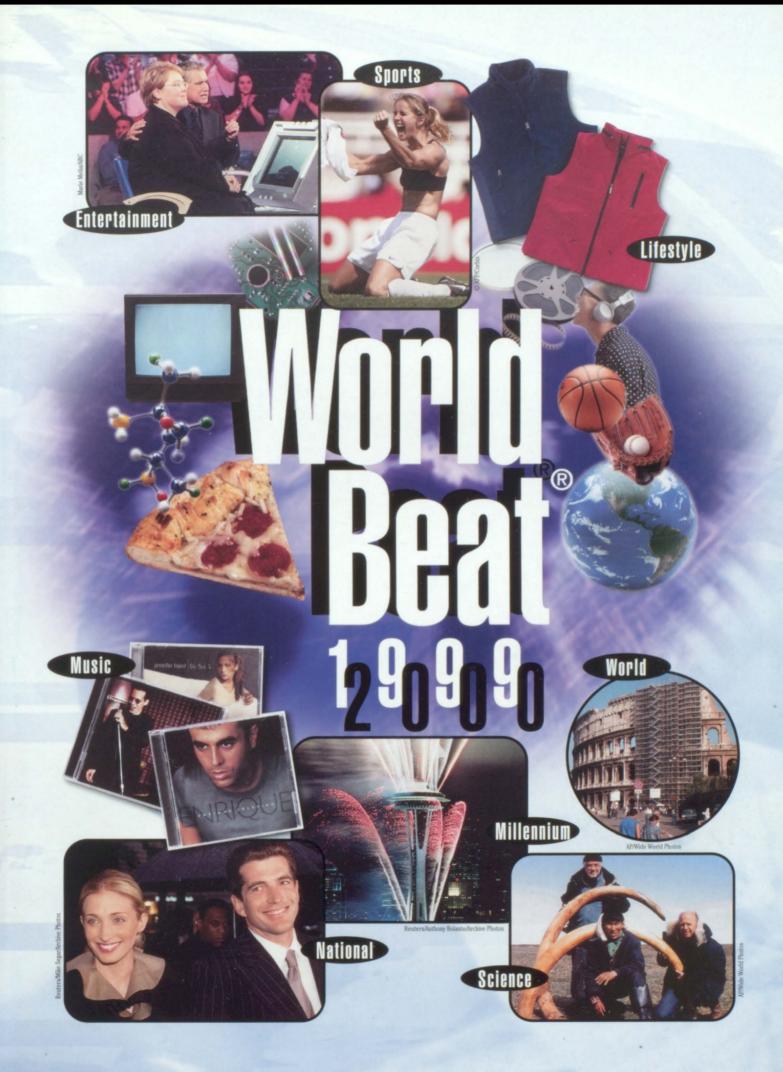
Farmers fight over water rights of the Republican River while drought sends water levels to an all time low.

The Senate considers a bill in March which would require schools to complete a state and national criminal check on all new employees to protect the safety of the student body.

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In August, Wichita native Tara Snyder wins a silver medal at the Pan American Games tennis finals in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.



# Vidrall Niews



As part of Rome's continuing restoration, the city unveils a plan to create an 18,000-square-yard

rambling space connecting the Imperial Forums

with the Roman Forum.



In September, more than 300,000 Japanese are checked for radiation exposure after an inadvertent nuclear reaction at a uranium processing plant.





EgyptAir Flight 990 crashes into the Atlantic Ocean on October 31, killing all 217 people on board. Although suspicious actions of a pilot are under scrutiny by American and Egyptian officials, the cause of the crash remains a mystery.



Nearly a million ethnic Albanians flee Yugoslavia and thousands are killed after Serbs begin a violent ethnic cleansing campaign in 1998. Seventy-eight days of NATO bombing bring the war to an end in June. An international tribunal later charges Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic with crimes against humanity.



is a baby boy born in Sarajevo.

On October 12, the world's official population

hits 6 billion. The designated 6 billionth human

In an October coup, the Pakistani army dismisses elected Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif and his government after Sharif announces the removal of his powerful military chief, General

Pervaiz Musharraf.





In a violent October coup, gunmen storm the Armenian Parliament and assassinate Prime Minister Vazgen Sarkisian and six other top officials.

# Flash

**Britain's Prince Edward marries** longtime girlfriend Sophie Rhys-Jones on June 19.

Cuban Elian Gonzalez, 6, becomes the center of a bitter citizenship debate after surviving a November boat wreck off the Florida coast in which his mother dies.





In India, two trains collide head-on in August, killing 285 people and injuring more than 300. It is one of the worst train disasters in the country's history.



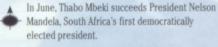


Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" is unveiled in June after 21 years of restoration. The centimeter-by-centimeter rehabilitation cost \$7.7 million and involved

In September, Russia begins a military campaign against Chechen nationalists to regain control of the breakaway republic. More than 200,000 people flee the region, but a fierce rebel resistance stays to fight for control of the capital, Grozny.



electronic microscopes.





After almost nine years in power, Russian President Boris Yeltsin announces his resignation in January 2000. Yeltsin names Prime Minister Vladimir Putin acting president pending elections in March.



In September and October, powerful earthquakes strike around the globe, killing 15,000 people in Turkey, 1,450 in Taiwan and at least 122 in Greece.

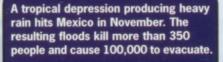


mummies. The necropolis will shed new light on the Greco-Roman era and will allow scholars to chart demographic data and the incidence

of disease.

Archaeologists excavate 105 mummies in a 2,000-year-old underground Egyptian tomb believed to contain a total of 10,000



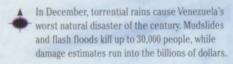


In August, the U.S. pays \$4.5 million to victims of NATO's accidental bombing of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade. Three Chinese are killed and 27 are wounded in the May 1999 bombing.





On December 31, the U.S. returns control of the Panama Canal to Panama. Opened to the world in 1914, the canal is considered one of the greatest construction achievements in American history.



Cartoonist Charles M. Schulz retires in January 2000, bringing an end to PEANUTS, America's most popular comic strip for almost 50 years. Schulz dies in February, the night before his last strip runs in the national newspapers.

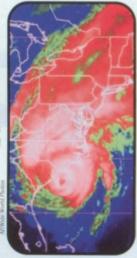
As a way to boost tourism, Chicago displays 301 life-size, fiberglass cows decorated by local artists. The public art exhibit lasts all summer until the cows are auctioned for charity.



Atlantic Ocean near Martha's Vineyard. Kennedy, a relatively inexperienced pilot, is believed to have become disoriented in heavy fog.



Hurricane Floyd strikes the East Coast in September, killing 51 people and destroying over 4,000 homes. North Carolina is hardest hit with total damages estimated at a record \$6 billion.



The drought of 1999 causes severe damage to Northeastern and mid-Atlantic farms. Several states impose mandatory water use restrictions and emergency federal loans are made available in Maryland, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia.



releases specially designed state quarters, the first five representing Connecticut, Georgia, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. By 2008, each state will have its own quarter.



In August, a rare tornado strikes downtown Salt Lake City. Winds up to 112 miles per hour make it Utah's second-worst tornado in history.

In July, Air Force Colonel Eileen Collins, 42, becomes the first woman to command a U.S. space shuttle mission.

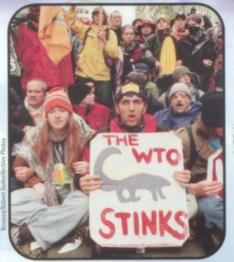




President Clinton announces the removal of the American bald eagle from the endangered species list. In 1999, there are over 5,800 breeding pairs, an increase from 417 in 1963.



In November, a 60-foot log tower collapses at Texas A&M University, killing 12 students and injuring 27. The tower was to be burned at a traditional bonfire pep rally.



In November, protesters at the World Trade Organization (WTO) summit in Seattle provoke a show of force by local, state and federal officers. Protesters blame the WTO for eroding human rights and labor and environmental standards.



In August, a female panda is born at the San Diego Zoo. Hua Mei, which can mean "China USA" or "Splendid Beauty," is the first panda born in the Western Hemisphere in nearly a decade.



A bumper sticker invites drivers to call a toll-free number to report reckless driving. Officials hope the system will help parents stay informed about their teenagers' driving habits.

On April 20, 1999, the nation mourns after two students go on a shooting rampage at Columbine High School in Colorado, wounding 23 and killing 15, including themselves. Schools across the country take extensive security measures to ensure the safety of students and staff.



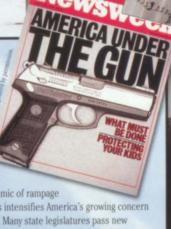
typically community service and financial restitution.

In an effort to ease the burden on the traditional

juvenile offenders. After determining guilt, a jury of teens along with a judge decides the sentence,

courts, most states now offer teen court for

Despite 30 years of official denial, in December a jury finds the assassination of Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. was the result of a conspiracy, not the act of a lone gunman.



An epidemic of rampage shootings intensifies America's growing concern over gun control. Many state legislatures pass new gun-control measures despite nationwide controversy over restrictions vs. Second Amendment rights.





In the first such admission by a cigarette manufacturer, Philip Morris publicly concedes tobacco is addictive and can cause serious diseases.

Hillary Clinton announces her candidacy for a U.S. Senate seat from New York. As law requires, Clinton establishes New York residency in suburban Chappaqua.





In September, Microsoft Corp. Chairman Bill Gates and his wife Melinda announce the creation of the Gates Millennium Scholars Program. The Gateses will donate \$1 billion over the next 20 years to finance scholarships for minority college students.





# SciencelNews



FEELit technology allows users to experience computer technology through their mouse. Users can "feel" buttons, text, the weight of a stuffed desktop folder and the groove of a scroll bar.

ROTTOTOWN

Fifteen-year-old Amber Ramirez undergoes surgery in which half of her brain is removed to stop the spread of a rare neurological disease. Doctors hope the remaining portion of Ramirez's brain will compensate for the removed tissue.



In August, NASA releases photos from the Chandra X-ray orbiting telescope of a hot cloud of gas from a star that exploded more than three centuries ago.



The telescope took 23 years and \$1 billion to develop.



In an epilepsy treatment breakthrough, surgeons implant a "pacemaker" into the chest with a seizure-preventing nerve stimulator connected to the brain. The computer-controlled, battery-powered unit can last up to five years.

The Java Ring contains a computer chip providing electronic access into buildings for students. Eventually the ring could be used as a library card, digital wallet, electronic ID and authentication for students' online homework.

The body of a 23,000-year-old woolly mammoth is discovered in October frozen in the Russian tundra. Study of the preserved fur, organs and soft tissue could unlock the mystery of why the species died out.







In August, U.S. surgeons begin using computerenhanced robotic technology for heart bypass surgery. Because the chest cavity is never opened, this technique reduces pain and shortens recovery time.

Researchers announce in July the creation of a cancerous human cell by genetically altering a normal one. This significant breakthrough is an important step toward developing drugs that could potentially wipe out cancer.

In December, IBM announces a \$100 million research initiative to build a supercomputer 500 times more powerful than current models.



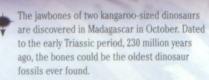


On August 11, the last total solar eclipse of the millennium crosses the globe. Thousands of people from Canada to India experience daytime darkness during which the moon completely covers the sun.





Researchers at
Massachusetts
General Hospital
reveal in July that
they have successfully
regenerated the
central nervous
system of lab rats
with severed spinal
cords. Applications
for human paralysis
treatment are
very encouraging.





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Parents, with help from their doctor, select the gender of their baby using a technique called MicroSort, which separates X-bearing (female-determining) and Y-bearing (male-determining) sperm. The success rate is about 92 percent for females and 69 percent for males.



A new board game, Infection, hits stores in July

Fun and educational, players race around the board catching diseases, described in detail, and trying to be cured.





In October, biologists isolate one of the enzymes that sets Alzheimer's disease in motion. This scientific discovery will lead to new treatments and, possibly, a cure. Over 4 million Americans, including former President Ronald Reagan, are living with the disease.



Researchers report they have successfully altered the learning and memory behavior of mice by inserting a gene into their brains.

This genetic-engineering breakthrough may be helpful in treating human learning disorders and Alzheimer's disease.

# Flash

In June, scientists announce the creation of two new elements. The nucleus of new, super-heavy element 118 decays into element 116 within a millisecond.

Scientists studying Albert Einstein's preserved brain report it has unique characteristics. The region governing mathematical ability and spatial reasoning is significantly larger than normal.



To mark the 30th anniversary of the first moon landing, astronaut Neil Armstrong's lunar footprint is featured on a 1999 postage stamp.



# Lifestyle News



The fashion accessory of 1999 goes by many names—power beads, mood beads and prayer beads. Many sellers claim the beads boost tranquility, energy, creativity and intelligence.

Airlines begin installing elaborate in-flight entertainment systems that allow passengers to watch movies, play computer games, listen to music, read headlines or browse the Internet.





Eric Sander/Liaison Agency

Cosmetic companies increasingly use entertainment celebrities instead of models for their advertisements. Sarah Michelle Gellar, Jennifer Love Hewitt, Jennifer Lopez and Shania Twain are among the celebs who appear in ads.



With the huge increase in cell phones, many cities enact laws restricting their use while driving. Restaurants and theaters are also requiring patrons to turn phones off as a courtesy to others.



Reuters (Robert Confine) Mystyles Photos

In August, a Levi Strauss & Co. megastore opens in San Francisco. The store features a hot tub where shoppers can soak in their jeans for the perfect fit and a computer-scanning system to help customers get the right size.



A continuation of the cargo pants trend, messenger bags with pockets galore hang at the hips of teens everywhere.



Apple Computer introduces its new iBook laptop in September. The super-slim, neon-colored units follow the highly successful launch of the translucent iMac desktop.

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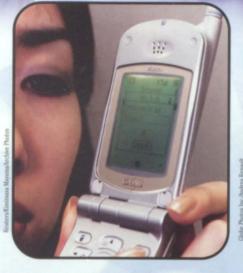
In December, Honda introduces Insight, a car that combines a conventional gasoline engine with a small electric motor, decreases ozone and carbon dioxide emissions and gets 80 mpg.

Several companies offer "digital wallets" for teens who want to shop online but don't have credit cards. Parents deposit money into an online account; then teens can spend the money at designated Web sites.





A new line of scented candles called Aromapharmacy comes in amber glass containers and looks like prescription drug bottles with creative names such as Ritalert, Cramprin and Valiumello.



Shawls and wraps show up everywhere in the fashion world. Hollywood celebrities like Salma Hayek sport the fashion trend in all colors and fabrics.

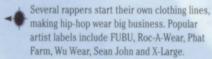
Inline skaters can now power themselves along with the new Roller Cycle Personal Power Accelerator featuring a 1.5-hp-driven wheel. An optional spiked rubber tire for traction makes it also possible to use while cross-country skiing.



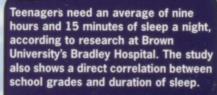
Wireless Web access becomes a reality in September when Sprint PCS announces the first nationwide wireless data service. Shortly thereafter, several other providers debut similar service for hand-held Web phones.



A Gap TV advertisement for vests starts a trend across America that has teenagers wearing the fashionable sleeveless jackets.



Stretchy nylon jewelry that looks like skin tattoos is a big hit in 1999. The nylon bands are worn around necks, wrists. arms and ankles, and come in several colors.



An influx of dot-com companies advertise on television. Ads during the Super Bowl sell for an average of \$2.2 million per 30-second commercial.





A growing number of U.S. school cafeterias offer pruneburgers, a healthy low-fat combination of hamburger and prune puree. Other prune items in the works include hot dogs, pizza sauce, barbecue sauce and gingerbread cookies.



Magellan, a satellite navigation system for motorists, offers complete U.S. mapping data, voice and visual instructions in seven languages, turn-by-turn directions and a library of points of interest.



# Entertainment Wes

Video game fans snap up a record 15,000 copies of Sega's highly anticipated Dreamcast system in the first 24 hours after its launch in September.

ABC's summer fill-in quiz show "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," with host Regis Philbin, returns in November and is a huge hit with viewers. By January 2000, several major networks launch quiz shows of their own.



The Sixth Sense with Bruce Willis and Haley Joel Osment is the No. 1 box office hit for five consecutive weekends in the summer.



Launched in January 1999, MTV's "The Tom Green Show" becomes one of the season's most popular shows. The Canadian host's bizarre man-on-thestreet pranks are the show's main attraction.



nominations, Susan Lucci finally wins an Emmy Award for best actress in a daytime drama series for her role as Erica Kane on the ABC soap opera "All My Children."



The Blair Witch Project, the year's surprise movie hit, is the documentary-style footage of three students lost in the Maryland woods and threatened by the presumed Blair Witch. The film costs \$100,000 to make and grosses \$140 million.





Tom Hanks and Tim Allen return as the voices of Woody and Buzz Lightyear in the animated feature Toy Story 2. The sequel breaks box-office records during its Thanksgiving release and wins a Golden Globe award.

In a botched stunt, WWF wrestler Owen Hart falls from the rafters at Kemper Arena and dies in front of 16,300 fans.



Jennifer Love Hewitt leaves "Party of Five" to star in her own Fox television drama, "Time of Your Life." The show focuses on Hewitt's character trying to make it in New York while searching for her biological father.



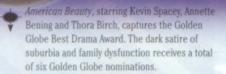


In June, Mike Myers' sequel Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me proves to be a bigger hit than the 1997 original. Dr. Evil's alter ego Mini-Me is extremely popular even though he has no lines.





In December, actor Jim Carrey portrays zany comedian Andy Kaufman in Man on the Moon. Carrey wins a Golden Globe award for his performance.





The new arcade game Guitar Freaks features two guitar controllers and a screen to help players follow along to popular songs.



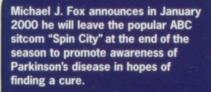
Set in 1980, the critically acclaimed NBC show "Freaks and Geeks" follows two groups of teens trying to make their way through high school.

The long-awaited prequel Star Wars: Episode I The Phantom Menace hits theaters in May 1999, taking in a record-breaking \$28.5 million on its opening day and going on to gross more than \$420 million.



Medusa, the world's first floorless roller coaster, opens in August at Six Flags Great Adventure in New Jersey. The 4,000-foot, toe-dangling ride has enough drops, loops, rolls and corkscrews to thrill every rider.





After 10 seasons, Fox cancels the hit show "Beverly Hills, 90210." The show followed characters through high school, college and careers.



In September, the New Roc City entertainment center opens in New York. The complex includes an amusement park ride on the roof, two skating rinks, 19 movie screens, restaurants, an arcade, a health club, a supermarket and a hotel.



The Talented Mr. Ripley, starring Matt Damon, Gwyneth Paltrow, Jude Law and Cate Blanchett, opens in December and earns popular and critical praise.





# CNN EWS



U.S. sales of music by Latin artists shoot up 48 percent in the first quarter of 1999 thanks to artists such as Ricky Martin, Jennifer Lopez, Enrique Iglesias and Marc Anthony.





Released in June, Santana's Supernatural shoots up the Billboard album chart, sells over 6 million copies, and earns 10 Grammy nominations.



Britney Spears' album ... Baby One More Time is the second-bestselling album of 1999, earning Spears the Billboard Music Awards Female and New Artist of the Year Awards.



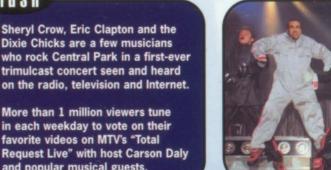
Saturday Night Live: The Musical Performances Volumes 1 and 2 are released in September. The CDs feature 30 of the 600 musical acts that have DENTIFE appeared on SNL over the past 25 years.

Limp Bizkit leads the way in the resurgence of rock music, along with Kid Rock and Korn. In September, MTV showcases the trend by airing "1999: Return of the Rock," which examines the history and future of rock music.



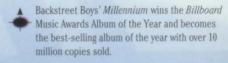
Dixie Chicks are a few musicians who rock Central Park in a first-ever trimulcast concert seen and heard on the radio, television and Internet.

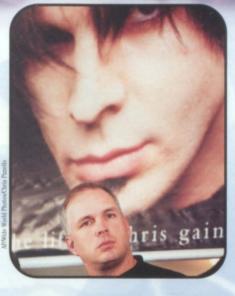
More than 1 million viewers tune in each weekday to vote on their favorite videos on MTV's "Total Request Live" with host Carson Daly and popular musical guests.



Computer games feature big music stars on their soundtracks. Sheryl Crow contributes her talent to the Tomorrow Never Dies soundtrack, Metallica to Hot Wheels Turbo Racing and Naughty by Nature to NBA Live 2000.







Lou Bega's rhythmic "Mambo No. 5" hits the Top 40 in August after selling 2 million copies overseas and topping the chart in 15 countries.

"NetAid," a concert dedicated to relieve hunger and poverty, airs live in October on MTV, VH1, the BBC, as well as radio stations in 120 nations, making it the widest-heard musical performance in history.





In a strange twist, Garth Brooks releases the album The Life of Chris Gaines in which he pretends to be a fictional rock star. Gaines will be the main character in a movie called The Lamb, currently in development.



MP3, technology

that compresses sound into a very small file, becomes a popular alternative to the CD. MP3 files are downloaded from player units, making it possible to take

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Shania Twain becomes the first woman since 1986 to win the Country Music Association's Entertainer of the Year Award at the 33rd annual awards show.



the Internet onto computers or portable a personal music selection anywhere.



VH1's "Concert of the Century" spotlights the importance of music education in schools. The all-star show includes Lenny Kravitz, Sheryl Crow, Eric Clapton and B.B. King, as well as high-profile actors.



After a successful New Year's Eve reunion performance, the Judds begin their first tour in almost 10 years in February 2000. Since they disbanded in 1991, Naomi has recovered from Hepatitis C.

**Best New Artist Grammy nominee** Christina Aguilera gives an exciting performance during the Super Bowl







Fiona Apple releases her long-awaited second album to rave reviews in November and begins a tour in February 2000. The album features a 90-word title, which is commonly shortened to When the Pawn.



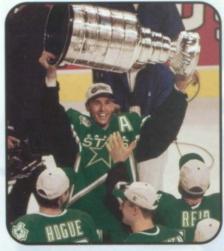
Ricky Martin takes the music industry by storm after his show-stopping performance at the 1999 Grammy Awards show. Martin's first chart-topping single, "Livin' la Vida Loca," helps him win the Billboard Music Award for Male Artist of the Year.



Lance Armstrong wins the 1999 Tour de Franc in July. Armstrong, who survived a three-year battle with testicular cancer, becomes the second American to win the event.



The Dallas Stars beat the Buffalo Sabres 2-1 in triple overtime to win the 1999 Stanley Cup championship, four games to two.





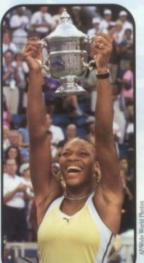
David Cone of the New York Yankees pitches a perfect game against the Montreal Expos in July. Cone's feat is the 14th perfect game in modern baseball history.

Golf champion

Payne Stewart is killed in a bizarre airplane accident in October. After the airplane's takeoff from Florida, an apparent loss of cabin pressure incapacitates everyone aboard. The aircraft flies on autopilot for four hours until it runs out of fuel and crashes in South Dakota.



The St. Louis Rams stop the Tennessee Titans at the 1-yard line on a final play to save their 23-16 Super Bowl XXXIV victory.



In September, tennis phenom Serena Williams, 17, overpowers Martina Hingis to win the 1999 U.S. Open title.



**Both Detroit Lions running back Barry Sanders and German tennis** star Steffi Graf announce their retirement in 1999.

On February 7, 2000, Tiger Woods wins his sixth consecutive PGA Tour event, tying Ben Hogan's 1948 winning record.





Dale Jarrett wins the 1999 NASCAR Winston Cup championship after a four-victory season.

The Houston Comets earn their third straight WNBA championship in September, beating the New York Liberty 59-47 to win in three straight games.



In the January 2000 Sugar Bowl. No. 1 Florida State beats No. 2 Virginia Tech 46-29 to capture the National Championship.

Andre Agassi wins the French Open in June and becomes the fifth man ever to complete a career Grand Slam. Agassi goes on to win the U.S. Open in September.



In July, the U.S. women's soccer team wins the 1999 World Cup by beating China 5-4 in penalty kicks following a 0-0 tie. More than 90,000 fans attend at the Rose Bowl and another 40 million watch on television.



Travis Pastrana, 15, wins the gold medal in the X Games' inaugural Moto X freestyle motocross event. The fifth year of this ESPN-sponsored competition is held in San Francisco in June and July.



The New York Yankees win the 1999 World Series in a four-game sweep against the Atlanta Braves.



In June, the San Antonio Spurs win their first NBA championship by defeating the New York Knicks four games to one.

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The U.S. team beats the European team to win golf's Ryder Cup at Brookline, Massachusetts, in September. The American's stirring comeback is marred by unruly galleries and a premature victory celebration.

In July, many major league baseball umpires announce their resignation as a labor protest. The strategy backfires when owners accept the resignations and in September, 22 umpires lose their jobs.

In January 2000, Michael Jordan returns to pro basketball as part owner and President for Basketball Operations of the NBA's Washington Wizards.





Twenty-year professional hockey veteran Wayne Gretzky announces his retirement in April 1999 after setting or tying 61 records. Two months later, "The Great One" is inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

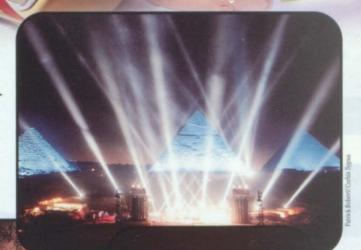
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Ottawa, Canada

Pyramids Cairo, Egypt

Times Square New York City, New York



As time zones welcome the new millennium on January 1, the world celebrates with grandeur, pageantry and spectacular



The Eiffel Tower Paris, France

Space Needle Seattle, Washington



Flash

The public and private sectors spend hundreds of millions of dollars to ward off the Y2K bug. The world lets out a sigh of relief after midnight strikes and no major computer malfunctions occur.

The FBI warns of possible terrorist acts on New Year's Eve and stays on national alert throughout the celebration. After the arrest of one man with bomb-making materials. Seattle decides to cancel its Space Needle celebration.





A surprising number of people, appalled by the exorbitant costs of travel and events, decide to stay home on New Year's Eve. Many companies and performers drastically slash prices as a last-minute lure.



fireworks. President Clinton gives a hopeful speech in the minutes before midnight at the Washington Monument, and 2 million people gather in Times Square to watch the specially built 1,000-pound Waterford crystal ball drop at midnight.

Fearing the collapse of the world's banks, utilities and transportation systems, thousands of people stock up on food, water, money, ammunition and generators. After midnight, it soon becomes apparent that the preparations were unnecessary.

