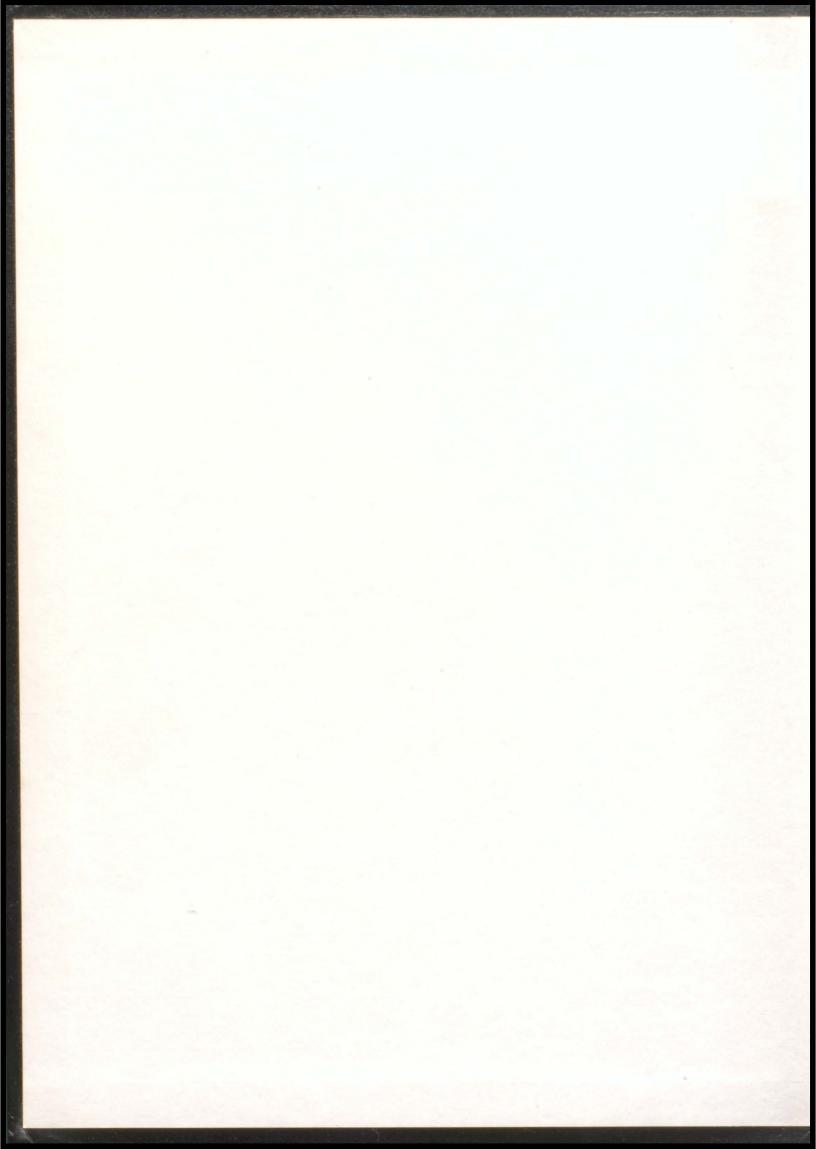
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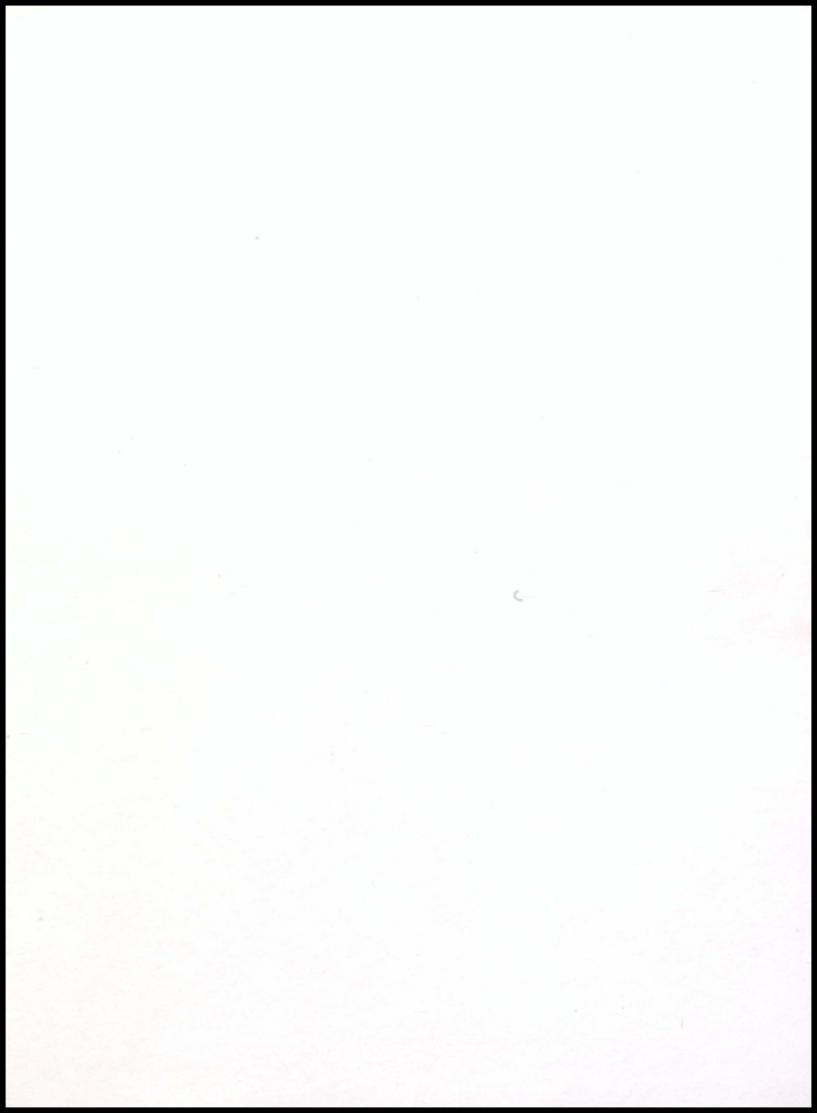
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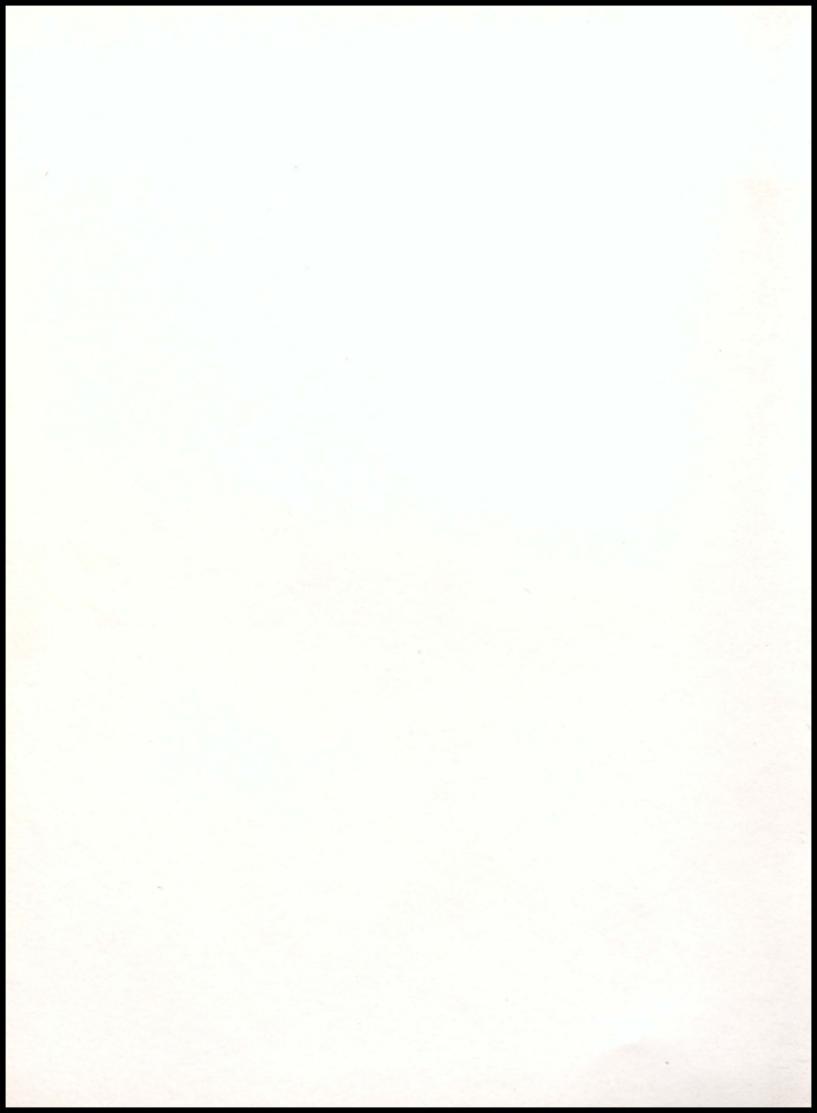
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We have thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to be a part of an activity as great as capturing high school memories, such as the yearbook. The time taken out of our busy days will be completely worth it when we are able to open this yearbook in the years to come and relive the adventures and the colors of high school. We would like to thank the journalism class, Ad-

visor Nora Groft, Jostens yearbook company and their great technical support people, all of the faculty and administration, and most importantly, the student body of Northwestern, for without them, we would not have the rainbow of colors to remember.

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This year the school integrated a journalism class into the daily class schedule to help meet the yearbook and newsletter deadlines. The credits can be used as a high school graduation requirement of English. In recent years the determination to work on the yearbook and newsletter programs had to be develped by one's own willpower. Class instructor, Nora Groft, advises students on the proper techniques of layout, copywriting, editing, distribution, advertising and deadlines.

With the expansion of the computer lab this year from 12 to 20 computers, the yearbook editors and the journalism

class have also been able to work more efficiently. The school purchased multiuser systems of Microsoft Publisher for the newsletter and Aldus PageMaker for the yearbook. This enables several students to work simultaneously, rather than one or twolucky individuals speedtyping into the wee-hours of the night to meet deadlines.

The newsletter's agenda for the new school year meant choosing a standard page layout and picking a new name, The Scratchin' Post. The journalism class also learned how to work together to put out a quality paper on time.

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Set aside the academics, the organizations and the sports and allow the STUDENT LIFE to influence the color in the school.

MEGAN OLSON

November 23, 1982-September 19, 1997

LIKE A SONG that remains in the heart when the music is playing no more, LIKE A FRAGRANCE that stays in the air where a flower has blossomed before. LIKE A POEM that's warmly recalled long after the poet is gone... When a LIFE is WELL-LIVED it will leave lovely memories lingering on.



Megan packed her life of fourteen years to its fullest. Her life work was dancing, and she loved being busy. The more she could do, the happier she was. Time spent with family and friends was most special to her.

Megan is the child of Kenneth and Roxanne (Drey) Olson of Turton. She was a freshman honor student at Northwestern High School, where she was a varsity cheerleader, played volleyball and ran hurdles in track. She filled the school halls with sweet music, playing the French horn in band and singing in the chorus. Megan's outgoing personality shined as she entertained people in oral interpretation.

This past June Megan voyaged to Washington, D.C. with her Girl Scout Troop, which she had been involved with for eight years and had completed her Silver award. Since the age of three, she had taken dance at

the Johnny Cavelle Dance Studio in Aberdeen, where she had completed grades one and two of Cecchetti ballet. She played piano and participated in the piano festival and guild and the Junior Legion Auxiliary. A few years ago, she was a candidate for the Future Miss contest. She enjoyed going to the lake, skiing and playing softball during the summer.

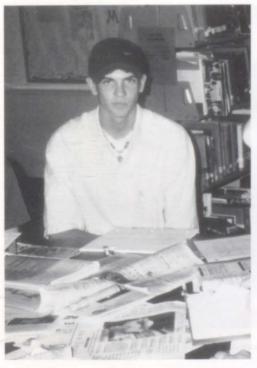
Northwestern is proud to have had her as a student and a representative. As an honor student, she graduated early from this life on earth, and we are sure she is pursuing her advanced living studies in heaven. During her short time on earth, Megan embodied the Wildcat spirit by demonstrating pride and excellence in all her endeavors. Her legacy is one of living life to the fullest. Megan, may you live forever in our hearts and may your light forevershine.



Many loving gifts were donated in memory of Megan. Among them, an evergreen tree, which was planted in the front lawn of the school by the fifth-grade class, of which Megan's brother, Aaron, is a member. The school will commemorate Megan every year by tying yellow ribbons on the tree's branches during homecoming week and on her birthday. Above: Megan's family, Kenneth, Roxanne and Aaron Olson.

Pearly Whites





Above: Junior Janelle Stahl and sophomore Christy Wagner show their pearly whites during the National Honor Society Induction ceremony.

Left: Senior Adam Haessig doesn't have any pearly whites to show today. Glumly, Adam sits in the library trying to concentrate on research for English.

There is the class clown, the math whiz, the talkative gossip and the quiet loner. And there is the sports star, the brown-noser and the life of the party. People come in all different packages. It is the people that bring out the real color at Northwestern. It would pretty dull if everyone was the same.

People



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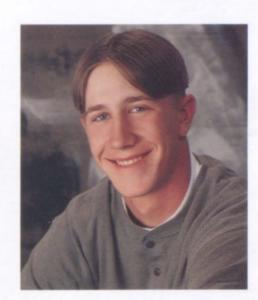
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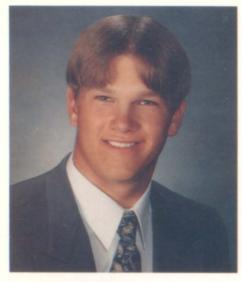
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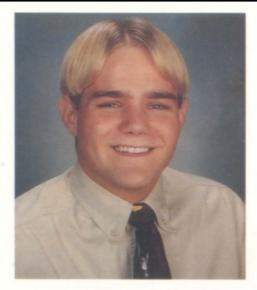
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Class Motto: Be What You Are

Class Flower: Silver-tipped Red Rose

> Class Colors: Red and Silver

Seniors Not Pictured: Dew Marie Bad Warrior Jessica Erin Bierman



Drawing by Jason Sandquist

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Miranda Anne Richter



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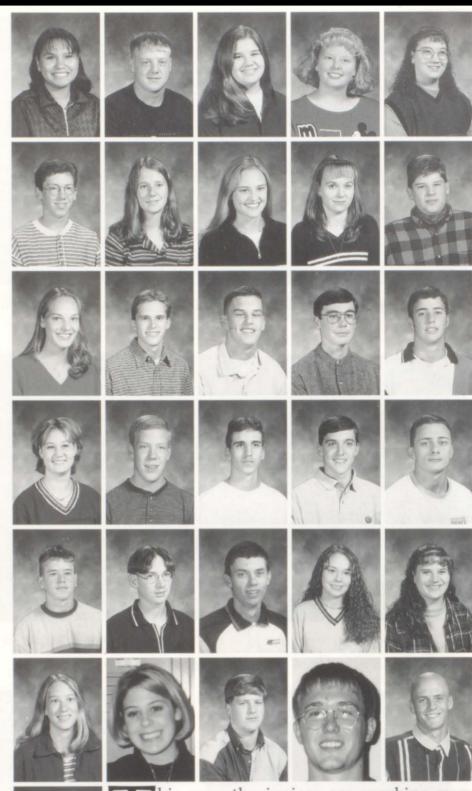
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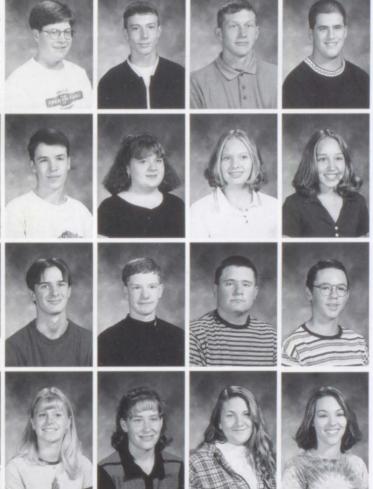


hard at earning money for the Jr./Sr. Prom. They have done many fund-raisers such as selling magazines and holding hoopshoot contests during basketball games. The juniors also had the opportunity to attend a Supreme Court case in Huron. They also took a tour of the gampus at Huron University. As juniors they have many

Supreme Court case in Huron. They also took a tour of the campus at Huron University. As juniors they have many new opportunities, too. They will be able to attend the Jr./Sr. Prom and take part in the Jr./Sr. Play. The juniors are all eagerly awaiting next year, when they will be graduating from high school. Hopefully, this class will leave a lasting impression as the last class of the millennium.

The class of 2000 is not exactly ruling the school, but they all agree that this year is better than being lowly freshmen. This year has been full of many ups and downs. Tim Smith moved away to Hamlin with his family in mid-October. However, new arrival Ben Buisker came from North Dakota and became a member of the Northwestern sophomore class. This class is full of energy with three varsity cheerleaders. And if you ever need a good laugh, just let Jarod or Blair know, and they will not let you down. With all of these lunatics, Northwestern High should hit the

new millennium with a bang.



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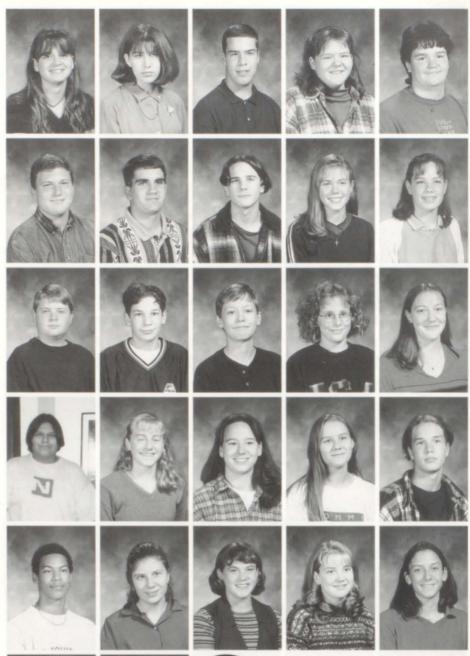
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n the long trek to graduation, the freshman year is one of the most fun and exciting. Not only do the freshmen get to look forward to being humiliated on slave day, but they also have to

face numerous initiations during the year. Renae Sparling and Amanda Muellenburg say the best part about being a freshman is initiation night. On the academic side, Chris Etl says the best part about being a freshman and in high school is all of the nice teachers he gets to learn from. Whatever their favorite part of being a freshman is, all of the freshman are just hoping for a very exciting and productive year.

ne of the toughest things about the eighth grade is learning to cope with the changing environments. Actually, according to the class, there are a few more ups than there are downs. Some of the ups are getting to drive and being able to stay out later. One of the downs are having to deal with strict parents. Oh, like that will ever change! Brooks Kleffman complains that they do not get to go into the student lounge, and Matt Genzler believes they should get the option of bigger lockers. They do not realize that this way they will appreciate and respect the seniority rule when they become high school students.

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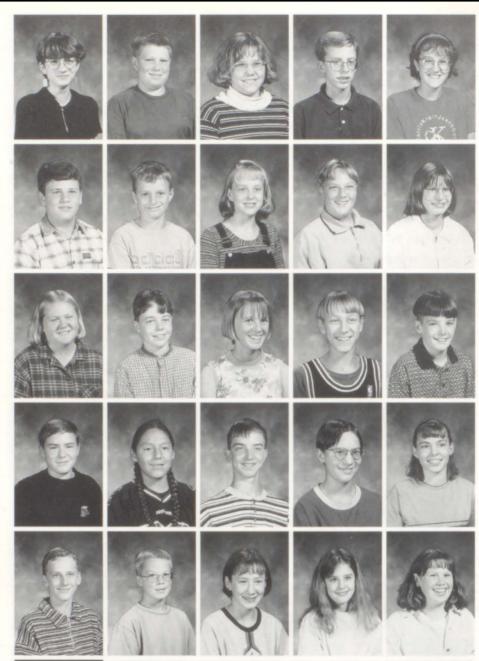
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Chelsea Young



For the seventh graders, there seems to be more pet peeves than anything else. "The points," says Chelsea Young, "is the biggest of them all." Others include teachers, the food and another big problem is the lectures. After-school activities include none other than

sports. Many of the students are involved with football, basketball, volleyball and track. Most of the seventh graders enjoy the fact that they will soon be able to take the place of the current players and also become the champs. When asked how it feels to be close to graduating from high school, Chelsea Young said she really wants to get out of here, along with her fellow classmate, Brandi Schumack. Seventh graders do not like having seniors around because they are too demanding. But they also realize that they soon will be seniors and have the privileges that seniors have.

f you have ever wondered what it is like to be a sixth grader, you are in for a big surprise. When asked how it felt to be a sixth grader, there were some varying answers. Some said it was fun because they got the new freedom of being able to explore the building alone--not with someone constantly telling them to get in line. They also liked the responsibility of having to get to their classes by themselves. Some had different opinions. They were very scared during the first day of school because

they did not know where any of their classrooms were. Because of this they were scared of being tardy, and points towards Saturday School add up quickly. After the commotion and fright of the first few weeks, they decided that sixth grade isn't all that bad--except for the homework!







































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Tho says that students need to wait until high school to get involved in extracurricular activities? The fifth-grade students at Northwestern plan to keep busy during their last year as elementary students. They are involved in many different activities. These activities include sports, such as flag football, boys' and girls' basketball and hockey. Not only are these students having fun being involved in extracurricular activities, but they also enjoy academic activities. Building biomes in science class proved to be a rewarding activity, too. Being as involved as these students are will help them prepare for their future no matter what they plan to do.

The fourth-grade class is a very interesting class. They enjoy playing board-race games, dictionary games and war games that deal with math facts. They also like to do experiments. A favorite experiment that they did was "Does Hair Keep Animals Warm?" The class also wrote a science-related book on animals with backbones.

Now don't think that this class is just fun and games--they do a lot of reading, writing, arithmetic and homework, too. These fourth graders are going to continue to work hard and enjoy life to its fullest.







Diedra Artz

David Bierman



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he third grade is being taught by a new teacher this year, Mrs. Battey. She was welcomed by the class' new land snails and is having fun learning about third grade things day by day. This year, the kids are enjoying themselves by testing Mrs. Battey to the limit. The third graders are keeping busy by learning multiplication. Mrs. Battey keeps multiplication interesting by putting it to a rap beat. If you are ever looking for the third-grade classroom, just go to the room that is making the most noise!

s a whole, the second-grade students really enjoy school. So far this year, they have made skeletons and jack-o-lanterns. They also went on a scavenger hunt. During recess and free time, they like to play kickball, football and class games (7-up and 4 corners). Most of these second graders actually like academically based activities, too. Drawing, writing and spelling baseball are a some of their favorites. Reading stories every morning, show and tell and keeping track of the days by using pennies will also keep the second graders busy throughout the year.



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Then the first graders were asked what some of their favorite things were, they gave really interesting answers. This year, their favorite subjects are lunch and writing. They enjoy lunch because they get to eat food such as pizza and fruit. The first graders like writing because they get to trace the letters of the alphabet. Some of their favorite things to do during recess time are freeze tag and playing in the snow. Lastly, when they were asked what their favorite animal was, the majority said kittens and teddy bears. All in all, the favorite place for the first graders to be during the day is in the lunch room.

he 97-98 kindergarten class is sure a fun one. Accord ing to the students, Mrs. Mitchell is really nice. The kindergartners enjoy many different things, such as playtime, projects and lunch. A majority of the kindergartners said that Christmas is their favorite holiday. When asked why, the students came up with some pretty good reasons. "Cause ya get presents" and 'Cause Santa comes" were by far the most popular reasons, but Logan Clemensen likes the snow, and Colette Fortin likes the Christmas cartoons. Halloween came in as their second favorite holiday because they like to get all of that candy. Gary Phillips and Megan Peterson like Halloween a lot because they get to dress up as anything they would like to be.

Thanksgiving was also popular because of all the good food and getting to go to places such as grandma's and grandpa's to see family.





















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Caroline Hansen Nona Hawley Daniel Johnson Jenna Larson Grasen Lechner

Evan Morgan Cory Oberfoell Carly Peterson Megan Peterson Gary Phillips

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Joan Allbee first grade



Karen Bacon teacher's aide



Marilyn Battey third grade



Scott Boone world history, geography, psych/soc, civics, government, 6-7 social studies, football and track coach



Kim Carson 8-12 FACS



Christy Cardella jr. high language and reading, high school and elementary libarian



Beth Duerre school counselor



Gene Eisenbeisz keyboarding, general business, accounting, applied math I,II and 6th math



Roberta Eisenbeisz 6-10 sciences and jr./sr. physiology



Stephanie Funk RDTN facilitator, 4th & 5th teachers' aide

What do you enjoy most about teaching at Northwestern?

"Seeing the students succeed."--Cardella

"The flexibility of staff and working to promote education."--Heidenreich

Kathy Graves
8th algebra and social studies, 7th
language and math, U.S. history and
head volleyball coach



Nora Groft
English I and II, technical English,
journalism, asst. and jr. high volleyball
and girls' basketball coach



Roylene Heidenreich fourth grade



Jeanine Jilek teachers' aide



Robert Kiesz high school band, pep band, mixed chorus and private band lessons



Dennis Larson
K-8 P.E., 6-8 health, college credit/
senior grammar and writing, sr./jr.
high oral interp and jr./sr. play



Lois McAreavey



Vicki Mitchell kindergarten



Delores Morgan title I assistant

"I enjoy watching childern grow, change and learn. The everyday activities and challenges make it an interesting job to have." --Mitchell

"I enjoy the tradition of excellence that Northwestern has."--Keisz



Paloma Patnode 5-7 band, 6-8 chorus and K-5 classroom music



Cheryl Peterson cheerleading advisor



Dianne Rasmussen third grade teacher's aid and library aide



Jackie Remily



<u>Duncan Robertson</u> computers and network administrator



Wade Rozell
fifth grade, head boys' basketball coach,
jr. high football coach, head boys' track
coach



Jeanette Scherr title I reading



Angie Sevigny speech therapist



Dena Sievers
high school math, physics, chemistry,
girls' basketball and jr. high boys'
basketball coach, jr. high track coach,
NHS advisor



Kathy Stuck
11th American literature



Paul Thompson K-12 art

What do you enjoy most about teaching at Northwestern?

"It's a wonderful opportunity for me to give back to the school and the community that gave me so much."--Groft

"The kids."--Duerre



Mike Steinhoff superintendent and athletic director



Merle Bomesberger K-8 principal, special education coordinator and 6th advisor



Ray Sauerwein
high school principal,
transportation supervisor,
building and grounds
supervisor and head football
coach



Diana Larson business manager



Nancy Young administrative assistant



School Board Members

LeRoy Braun; Charles Hahler, President; Bret Bierman; Ellen Boekelheide, Vice President and Diane
Bindenagel



<u>Custodians</u> Connie Clemens and Dennis Jeschke

Dennis Jeschke is shown here on crutches which he has gotten plenty used to using. Early in the year, he fell off a ladder at his home. Since that time, the school has had several temporary custodians, including Bill Clemens and Jerome Morgan. He plans to be returning to his position when he has fully recovered.



Bus Drivers

Dana Dayton, Bill Kraus, Richard Halvorson, Diane Artz, Orrin Freeman and
David Peterson



<u>Cooks</u> Jeannie Morgan, Lynnette Frericks, Patty Haselhorst and Lisa Morgan





ABOVE: "I would not want to actually get on this rollercoaster!" exclaims Marc Thorson, regarding the rollercoaster he and his physics classmates designed and tested. Holding the few marbles they have are Mike Larson, Mat Meyer, Marc Thorson, Barrett Evans, and Chad Spear. On top of Old Smokey Ladder is Travis Bindenagel. Physics instructor Ms. Sievers said the purpose behind this project was to apply the laws of inertia, kinetic and potential energy, momentum, gravity and friction to an actual concept. The physics class had requirements which included using 40 feet of tubing, using glass marbles as the "experimental car" and having a design with two loops. Another requirement was that the marble had to come to a natural complete stop one inch from the end. Travis is quoted as saying, "We failed a lot." But after trial and error over several dedicated days, Miss Sievers said the they successfully fulfilled the requirements.



ABOVE: Resource Room Teacher Mrs. Remily assists eighth-grader Jason O'Daniel with his schoolwork. The Resource Room is located in the elementary section of the building. To receive help, those attending this room must meet federal guidelines. Students with special needs receive individual instruction so that they can achieve a better quality of education.

LEFT: Like usual junior Abby Helling runs through the building flashing a hall pass. Students are supposed to have a hall pass to travel from room to room within the school building.

Shades of Gray Matter



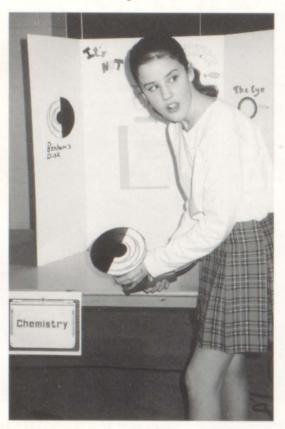
It's been one of those days...long lectures, killer tests, a mountain of homework...How can you manage, and what in the world can you do to keep your droopy eyes open? There's always counting the squares on the ceiling, making paper

airplanes, or passing notes back and forth. But academics doesn't always have to be dull. How about those great biology labs where you get to cut animals into tiny pieces, or someone's hilarious speech that makes you laugh? Sometimes it may be a little bit harder to find color in your day, but all you have to do is look for it. And hey, you never know when a fire drill will break a dull moment.

Academics

RIGHT: Seventh-grader Chelsea Young is showing Jim Smith that music can really affect the growth of plants. She found that classical music increased the speed of plant growth.

BELOW: Seventh-grader Angela Spear is holding a Benham's Disk, which is a black and white disk that shows an array of colors when it is spun.





"Students have really improved on project displays...



Cooking with Vegetables

ABOVE: Eighth-graders Christina Kramp and Tessa Mayer are holding up a bag filled with onions. The onions, as well as other vegetables, were boiled in vinegar and baking soda to determine whether they were an acid or a base.



The "Undertows" of Science

ABOVE: Jeanette Smith and eighth-grader Edward Kramp are observing eighth-grader Brett Zerfoss's project on undertows. Brett is connecting the batteries to turn on the motor within the container which causes the undertows.

Scientific Minds At Work

This year's science fair saw new and innovative ideas from various students. With a broad range of categories including biological science, environmental science, chemistry and more, students were given the chance to do a little teaching in addition to learning.

The local science fair, held March 3, 1998, was an evening of exciting projects and displays. Students of all ages were invited to present a project individually or with a partner. However, only middle and high school students had the opportunity to advance to the region science fair if they received a first- or second- place rating.

"Students have really improved on project displays, and we have more projects placing in the regions each year," said science fair coordinator Roberta Eisenbeisz. In fact, 14 students displaying 11 projects advanced to regions. Of those, six received recognition, including: Michelle Jilek-first place in chemistry; Ross Mielke-second place in chemistry; Nicole Hammer-second place in environmental science; Jason McComsey-honorable mention in life science; Kris Sparling and Jared Steger-honorable mention in physical science and Lee Mielke received a scientific calculator for his efforts in biological science.

Eisenbeisz was very pleased with the results of the science fair. She said, "All science students in grades six through 12 will be required to do a project next year, so start thinking now!"



ABOVE: Sixth-grader Austin Sitter (right) is explaining his project to fifth-grader Jeremy Braun. Austin's project was to determine which type of toy car traveled the fastest and smoothest on his homemade ramp.

...we have more projects placing in the regions each year."



First- and Second- Place Winners

ABOVE: Front Row: Chelsea Young, Brandi Schumack, Erica Adams and Launa Fuhrman. Middle Row: Ross Mielke, Becky Ford, Tara Richter, Nicole Hammer and Michelle Jilek. Back Row: Lee Mielke, Edward Kramp, Kris Sparling, Jared Steger, Jason McComsey, Desa Oberle and Charlotte Green.



Third-Place Winners

ABOVE: Front Row: Rachel Graham and Jennifer Fuhrman. Middle Row: April Reese, Starla Kellar, Holly Beardemphl and Wendy Beardemphl. Back Row: Shawn Malsam, Matt Antar, Brady Kleffman, Shane Malsam, Eric Gab and Mark Braun.

RIGHT: Senior Eric Borge helps sophomore Angela Meyer down the runway after she models her lizard-print pajamas during the FACS fashion show, "Star-Studded Style".

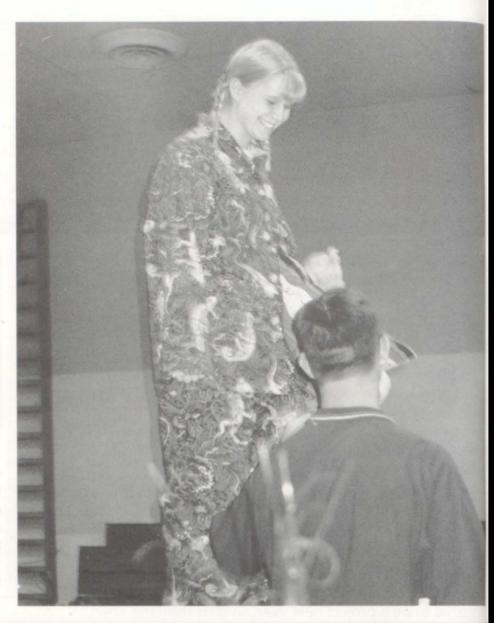
Mrs. Kim Carson, the Family and Consumer Sciences teacher, has been keeping all of the 1998 FACS students busy. The students have been job shadowing, cooking meals, caring for newborns and more.

The eighth-grade class focused many hours on careers. They went on field days to the ethanol plant, the airport and to K. O. Lee to learn what skills "real" jobs require.

The junior and senior FACS students once again planned a learning lab for children from the community. The community children learned about things from colors and shapes to bus etiquette. The learning lab was fun and enjoyable for everyone involved.

The new craze for the parenting unit this year was computerized babies. Many juniors and a few seniors were seen caring for infants that cry whenever they were programmed to do so. This activity showed the students how hard it is to raise a newborn child.

The FACS program is sure to benefit the students because of the wide variety of activities and projects in which the students involve themselves.



Family and Consumer Sciences



Just Clowning Around

ABOVE: Alexander Schriver and Cole Rasmussen work on coloring, cutting and pasting skills to make a clown face during their 10-day learning lab. During this time the juniors and seniors taught many skills that would benefit the child in their upcoming grade school years.



Working Together

ABOVE: Working together is a skill that was stressed during Learnin Lab. Gabrielle Morgan and Alyssa Morgan show their partner skill during a group activity. Addy Schriver also partners up in the background.

Math Club

"It was hard to get up early on Tuesday mornings, but it was worth it because of the candy and the day we missed of school."--junior Janelle Stahl



The large numbers of people in math club is not the only numerical area in which the mathematicians flourished. Six of the eight members of the math club who represented Northwestern at the Lake Region Conference Math Competition placed. As a whole the team placed second.

Later in the year, the entire math club attended the Northern State University Math Contest. Out of hundreds of students, Trista Smith received an honorable mention in the Algebra I division, and Marc Thorson received third place in the Senior Math division. All of the math club members combined broke Northwestern's three-year honorable mention streak by placing second for the first time at the NSU Math Contest.

Lake Region Conference Participants

LEFT: Front Row: Tyler Kienow, Trista Smith and
Vicki Stoltenberg. Back Row: Kwen Peterson, Mike
Larson, Matt Larson and Matt Buisker. Not Pictured: Marc Thorson.

Math Club Members



Junior and Senior Members

ABOVE: Front Row: Chad Spear, Daniel Overby, Abby Helling, Melissa Hammer and Barrett Evans. Middle Row: Jeremy Hoellein, Lynsee Hansen, Janelle Stahl, Kara Sparling, Crystal-Lynn Gifford and Kwen Peterson. Back Row: Mike Larson, Mat Meyer, Travis Bindenagel and Adam Hahler. Not Pictured: Vicki Stoltenberg and Marc Thorson.



Freshman and Sophomore Members

ABOVE: Front Row: Tracey Smith, Andrea McComsey, Amy Heidenreich, Trista Smith, Brittanie Kraus, Ashley Braun, Dustin Steward and Ben Hammer. Middle Row: Chris DeYoung, Ben Buisker, Jessica Halvorson, Angela Meyer, Christy Wagner, Jackie Mitchell, Kraig Steinhoff and Matt Buisker. Back Row: Jarod Bierman, Matt Larson, Tyler Kienow and Robb Batteen.

Colorful Classroom Choices

Choices, choices! Whether you want to get out of the traditional classroom atmosphere or expand your perception of things--check this out!

Espanol/Spanish A little bit of culture is offered at Northwestern in the Rural Distance Telecommunications Network (RDTN) room. Spanish I and Spanish II are offered to high school students. Most out-of-state colleges require some foreign language background for entry. Of course, quizzes, tests and oral exams are standard techniques of teaching, but in Spanish students also make videos and cultural art projects.

RIGHT: Juniors Kwen Peterson and Jeremy Hoellein in Spanish II class--but caught with their Algebra II books open.



English Program Many English programs were available for juniors and seniors including: RDTN composition and literature, junior American literature and Southwest State University composition and speech. Mr. Larson taught SSU English, but all papers and speeches were sent to the university in Marshall, MN, for college credit, while Mrs. Stuck taught American literature to the juniors. The two newest courses are technical English and journalism, taught by Mrs. Groft. The purpose of technical English is to prepare students for the real world. The classroom functions as an office and the students as employees. Journalism students worked on on the production of the yearbook, newsletter and individual journalistic endeavors.



ABOVE: RDTN English composition and literature students include seniors Mat Meyer and Eric Borge, junior Vicki Stoltenberg and seniors Jason Clemens and Korey Frericks. What an easy schedule! These five English students had the slack college schedule with classes only three times per week and even off on all holidays. But they did extra work, including keeping correspondence and discussion groups through the Internet.



LEFT: Senior Jason Sandquist uses the old pencil-distance technique during art class.

BELOW LEFT: Mrs. Stuck organized an art class for the students whose schedules conflicted with the regular fourth-hour art class. Here, she is demonstrating a leaf-overlay project with two of her students, juniors Brad Binger and Josh Kramp. Not pictured are juniors Tyler Stuck and Seth Kegler. Mrs. Stuck also worked with senior Lisa Wagner on an independent art study where Lisa job-shadowed at Mrs. Stuck's home accessories store, Kathleen's.



Art Program This year Northwestern began to offer an art program to high school students. The school needed to allow students to receive their fine arts credit after the SD Board of Regents cut the credit from chorus. This year 10 students signed up for the class, and there are several more taking it independently.

Art students believe that the class should be offered next year, and they are currently enjoying the ability to express themselves as well as explore their talents.

Jason Sandquist said, "...it gives us a chance to bring out our cre-



"I've enjoyed the class very much. The students have worked hard and shown a lot of creativity. The smaller class size allows me to give more time on one instruction, which benefits the students," said art instructor Mr. Thompson.

Unfortunately this successful art program will not fit into the new block schedule for the 1998-1999 school year, and a music appreciation class will replace all art programs within the school.



ABOVE: A bulletin board in the art room is plastered with projects from junior high through high school students that can be seen changing throughout the school year. Art was a celebrated part of the year; just walk around the school building and one could find a specified bulletin board for Mrs. Stuck's art courses. One could find art projects displayed on Mr. Sauerwein's and Mrs. Duerre's bulletin boards as well.

Vocational Education

Voed is a chance for young people to work with more hands on materials geared towards their interests. "Voed is a wonderful opportunity, and I hope more people join," said junior BJ Hansen. Students travel to Aberdeen every day to work in classes such as building trades, commercial foods, graphic communication, automotive, telecasting communication, precision manufacturing and electronics.



ABOVE: Sophomore Jennifer Franks is preparing steak for her commercial foods class to consume.

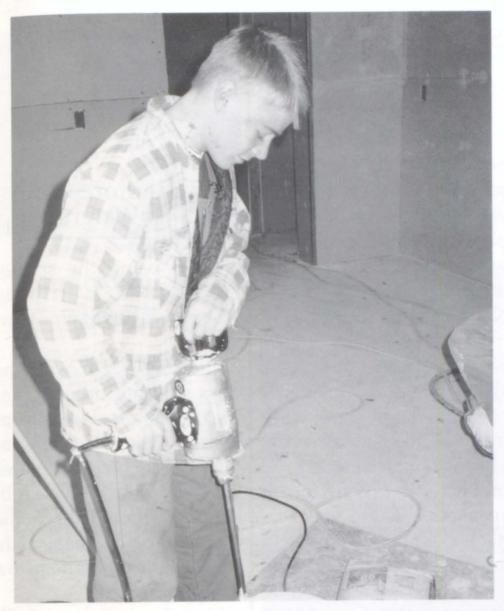
RIGHT: Sophomore Wade Jensen and senior Adam Haessig are checking the oil in the engine for auto mechanics class.



ABOVE: Senior Robert Wedemann is learning how to cut paper in the automatic paper cutter for graphic communications class.



ABOVE: Sophomore Dana Little is creating a pamphlet for presentation purposes in her business occupations class.



BELOW: Senior Neil Nelson is preparing a welder for use on the car he is working on in auto mechanics.

LEFT: Sophomore Justin Tolvstad is mixing plaster for the walls of the home he and his classmates are constructing in building trades.





ABOVE: Sophomore Curt Ford is plastering a wall in building trades that will soon be a home auctioned for charity. This is an annual project for the class which helps many under-privileged people.



ABOVE: Sophomore Sabrina Siebrecht is placing information in her computer to format a diagram in her business occupations class.

Juniors travel for Government

The junior class took two trips this year to enhance their learning of government.

They traveled to Huron to see the Supreme Court in session. While they were there, they heard three court cases and the court's decisions on those cases. They also toured the Huron Campus.

The second trip was taken to Pierre, where the juniors had an opportunity to sit in on a session of state congress. Some of the students sat in on the House of Representatives, while others sat in on the Senate.

They also visited the Discovery Center and toured the museum. At the Discovery Center, the students had a chance to experience science in a fun "hands-on" fashion by doing experiments. The students also learned many fascinating facts about South Dakota's history at the American Heritage Center.

Fun was had by all and the two trips proved to be an educational experience.

Students participate in Career Day at school

Grades six-12 had an opportunity to participate in a school Career Day to talk with people who are experts in their careers. This was the first time anything like this has been done at Northwestern school.

Many fields of careers were represented by the speakers. Approximately 90 speakers helped out with making this day possible. The students were able to meet with six different speakers. These speakers discussed their jobs and what they had to do to get their job. The students were then given the chance to ask their speakers questions about their careers.

Pastor Bill Paepke began the day with a motivational speech on careers and life. He told the students the road he took which eventually lead to him becoming a pastor.

Bob Olson, the NSU men's basketball coach, ended the day with another speech. He discussed college and scholarships available to athletes.

Even though this was the first time that the school has had something like this. The

day went well. The students learned much about the different careers and opportunities available to them after high school.

Sophomores take trip to Watertown

This spring the sophomores took a trip to Watertown to do some touring.

The day begin with the class splitting up and joining other students from Warner. The students were given three choices of places to visit. Some went to a rubber production plant. Some went to place that made signs, while others went to a computer place.

Next, the students got back together to go to the Terry Redlin Art Center to look at the paintings and the ampitheatre.

The students also toured the Lake Area Technical Institute and Prairie Lakes Hospital. At the hospital, the students listened to a talk about college courses that they should take in high school to prepare for college and jobs in the health field.

The students enjoyed their day out of school and went home with much valuable information.



September - Kraig Steinhoff

Students of the Month

The student of the month honor recognizes students grades nine through 12 who have worked hard in and out of school.

All student of the month nominees must meet the following requirements:

- * Show positive cooperation with students and teachers.
- * Be reliable and respon sible.
- * Have no grade of a "D" or "F" average in any subject.
- * Be involved in extracurricular activities.
- * Attend school regularly.
- * Volunteer for work.
- * Display citzenship.
- * Be consistent.
- * Have a positive attitude.
- * Set a good example for others.
- * Lend a helping hand.
- * Be courteous.
- * Give a solid effort.
- * Interact well with peers.

Students who meet these requirements and are nominated by one of their teachers are placed on a ballot. Then the teachers vote on which of the nominees they think would be the best student of the month.



October - Mike Larson



November - Chad Spear



December - Abby Helling



January - Marc Thorson



February - Vicki Stoltenberg



March - Barrett Evans



April - Amy Heidenreich



May - Melissa Hammer





ABOVE: N-Club members: First Row: Ariel Richter, Angela Meyer, Robb Batteen, Crystal-Lynn Gifford, Jill Ford and Marc Thorson. Row 2: Megan Braun, Sabrina Siebrecht, Sarah Bad Warrior, Holly Wetzler, Melissa Hammer, Christy Wagner, Barrett Evans, Chad Spear, Tim Smith, Jeremy Hoellein and Christopher DeYoung. Row 3: Chris Reed, Brandii Brown, Renae Sparling, Jackie Mitchell, Kara Sparling, Carrie Gabel, Mat Meyer, Kraig Steinhoff and B.J. Hansen. Row 4: Brittanie Kraus, Andrea McComsey, Janelle Stahl, Travis Bindenagel, Kwen Peterson, Daniel Overby, Adam Hahler, Mike Larson and Lynsee Hansen. Row 5: Tracey Smith, Tarah Steger, Amy Heidenreich, Mitchell Young, Tyler Stuck, Jarod Bierman, Matt Larson, Tyler Kienow, Abby Helling and Vicki Stoltenberg. Back Row: Blair Bohl, Eric Borge, Korey Frericks, Kurt Seymour, Seth Kegler, Josh Kramp, Ryan Remily, David Kramp and Jarrod Rahm.



LEFT: Natural Helpers: Front Row Megan Braun, Robb Batteen, Dustin Steward, Kary Bullock and Ariel Richter. Row 2: Chris Reed, Brandii Brown, Abby Helling, Lynsee Hansen, Crystal-Lynn Gifford and Lisa Wagner. Row 3: Tarah Steger, Emily Spear, Holly Wetzler, Amy Heidenreich, Kurt Seymour, Jarod Bierman and Trista Smith. Row 4: Ryan Remily Jason Sandquist, Mat Meyer and Jeremy Hoellein. Back Row: Miss Graves, Mrs. Carson, Mrs. Eisenbeisz, Mrs. Duerre and Mrs. Remily.

Natural Helpers are selected through anonymous surveys based on which peers can feel comfortable going to with problems. During weekend retreats, the students unite through role-playing and informational meetings to learn how to handle their own and their friends' problems.

Out of the Blue



ABOVE: Seniors Kara Sparling and Marc Thorson pose for a quick snapshot at the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony in October. Imagine, just for a moment, life that only consisted of the classroom. There wasn't music. There weren't any plays. There wasn't one group adding some life to the halls. Now wouldn't that be boring? Organizations bring a special color

to the school. They create new friendships and understandings. And they give us a chance to brightly shine and play out our individual color.

Organizations

BELOW: High School Oral Interp: Front Row: Barrett Evans, Angela Meyer and Mike Larson. Back Row: Chad Spear, Coach Dennis Larson, Melissa Hammer, Amy Heidenreich, Vicki Stoltenberg and Dixie Jeschke. RIGHT: Senior Barrett Evans is going over his piece, "First I Was a Kid", he planned to use for the state oral interp meet.



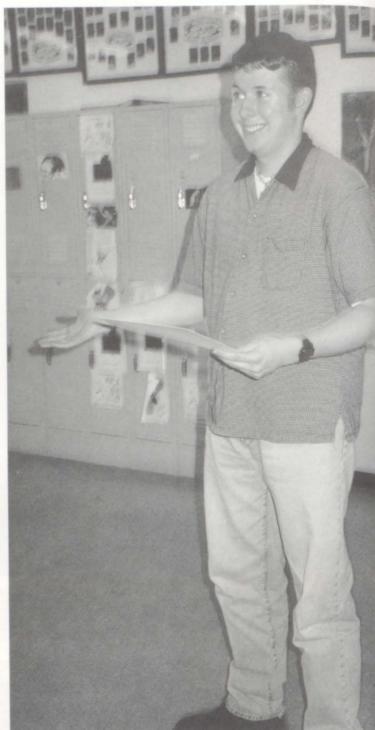


ABOVE: Junior High Oral Interp: Front row: Amanda Peterson, Tessa Mayer, Jennifer Fuhrman and Brad Bierman. Back row: Chelsea Young, Lee Mielke, Edward Kramp and Mark Braun.

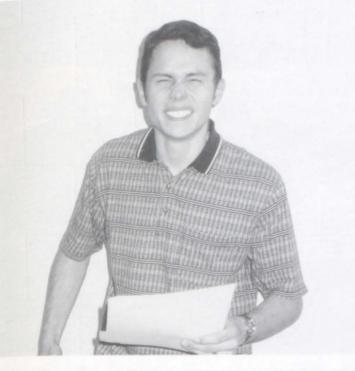
RIGHT: Seventh-grader Lee Mielke is practicing his piece before he performs for an oral interp meet.



RIGHT: Eighth-graders Edward Kramp and Mark Braun are practicing together to make sure their piece is perfect for their performance that night.







LEFT: Senior Chad Spear says this is his most used face during a performance.



LEFT: Senior Barrett Evans made it to the state level in oral interp with his piece, "Love Letters". Barrett received a superior rating.

BELOW: Junior Vicki Stoltenberg, looking dazed and confused, tries to be serious before she performed that night.





LEFT: These people had what it takes to attend the district oral interp meet. Front Row: Barrett Evans, Mike Larson and Chad Spear. Back Row: Amy Heidenreich, Vicki Stoltenberg and Melissa Hammer.

ORAL INTERP...what it's all about.

"Hail to the chicken," said Amy Heidenreich.

This year the oral interp group chose to have a chicken as their mascot. The mascot was chosen because sophomore Angela Meyer won him on their way back from the first meet of the season.

"I spent two dollars to get him," said Angela. "Hail to the chicken," said Amy Heidenreich.

The chicken has great symbolization to the group, and they plan to have the chicken for their mascot for years to come.

Oral interp has been great this year for those students who participated. Many of them have achieved high ratings, and Northwestern is very proud of them.

Congratulations to all the interpers who made it to districts and to Barrett, who made it to state.

BELOW: Swing Choir: Front Row: Jessica LEFT: Boys' Octet: Halvorson, Amy Heidenreich and Sabrina Siebrecht. Middle Row: Holly Morgan, Vicki Stoltenberg, Crystal-Lynn Gifford, Janelle Stahl and Dana Little. Back Row: Marc Thorson, Adam Hahler, Jarod Bierman, Robb Batteen, BJ Hansen, Mike Larson, Barrett Evans, Matt Larson and Kwen Peterson.

Front Row: Jarod Bierman, Robb Batteen, Marc Thorson and Barrett Evans. Back Row: BJ Hansen, Matt Larson, Kwen Peterson and Mike Larson.









ABOVE: Girls' Triple Trio: Front ABOVE RIGHT: Mixed Octet: Row: Sabrina Siebrecht, Amy Heidenreich and Jessica Halvorson. Back Row: Crystal-Lynn Gifford, Janelle Stahl, Holly Morgan, Christy Wagner, Vicki Stoltenberg and Dana Little.

Front Row: Holly Morgan, Marc Thorson and Vicki Stoltenberg. Row 2: Dana Little, Sabrina Siebrecht, Jessica Halvorson, Amy Heidenreich, Janelle Stahl and Crystal-Lynn Gifford. Row 3: Matt Larson, Kwen Peterson, Barrett Evans, Mike Larson and Robb Batteen. Back Row: Jarod Bierman and BJ Hansen.

RIGHT: Mixed Octet: Front Row: Sabrina Siebrecht, Holly Morgan, Amy Heidenreich and Vicki Stoltenberg. Back Row: Jarod Bierman, Robb Batteen, Mike Larson and Barrett Evans.



Singin' and Playin'

This has been a great year for both band and chorus, which received I ratings at contest.

for the band and chorus. Both have performed a wide variety of music to delight audiences.

Director, Bob Kiesz, has had his hands full with 34 chorus members and 50 band members. Mr. Kiesz seems pleased

This year has been exciting with the band and chorus' performances at contest, both having received superior I rating. However, you may often find him with his hands to his stressed head after chorus period. The chorus members are tough to handle before lunch period, and it does not

help when half of them are away at track meets when they should be preparing for

Northwestern was honored to have Beth Denker student teach here from Northern State University for the first semester.





LEFT: High School Chorus: Front Row: Marc Thorson. Row 2: Dana Little, Lacey Genzler, Jarod Bierman, Matt Larson, Robb Batteen, Christopher DeYoung, Adam Hahler, Trista Smith and Tracey Smith. Row 3: Karen Franks, Heather O'Daniel, Christy Wagner, Amy Heidenreich, Janelle Stahl, Michael Kramp, Ryan Remily, Eric Borge, Jessica Halvorson, Sabrina Siebrecht. Back Row: Sara Christensen, Ashley Braun, Vicki Stoltenberg, Kara Sparling, Barrett Evans, Chad Spear, Mike Larson, Kwen Peterson, Kurt Seymour, Crystal-Lynn Gifford, Rebecca Kraus, Holly Morgan, Jessica Stoltenburg and Stefani Burger.

BELOW LEFT: High School Band: Front Row: Nicole Hammer, Tracey Smith, Amy Heidenreich, Zach Remily, Christina Kramp, Adam Larson, Joe Green, Kayla Stahl, Amanda Peterson, Tessa Mayer, Becky Ford, Michelle Jilek, Lorra Beardemphl, Lynsee Hansen, Holly Morgan, Abby Helling, Jessica Halvorson and Jackie Mitchell. Middle Row: Jackie Tolvstad, Megan Braun, Trista Smith, Janelle Stahl, Trond Peterson, Jared Steger, Ben Hammer, Kurt Seymour, Robb Batteen, Sabrina Siebrecht, Ariel Richter, Lacy Genzler, Kris Sparling, Christopher DeYoung, Adam Hahler and Starla Baird. Back Row: Daniel Overby, Jaymar Adams, Zach Heidenreich, Barrett Evans, Melissa Hammer, Ashley Braun, Vicki Stoltenberg, Edward Kramp, Ryan Criddle, Matt Buisker, Tyler Kienow, Matt Larson, Dustin Steward, Jarod Bierman, Chad Spear and Mike Larson.

BELOW: Festival First Chairs: The following students earned first-chair seats at the Festival Music held in Aberdeen. Front Row: Jennifer Fuhrman-tenor saxaphone and Dustin Steward-trombone. Back Row: Michelle Jilek-saxaphone, Tracey Smithclarinet, Trista Smith-bass clarinet and Starla Baird-baritone.

RIGHT: Sixth and Seventh Grade Band: Front Row: Charlotte Green, Desa Oberle, Kristina Bloomhall, Launa Fuhrman, Tara Smith, Erica Adams, Kayla Sheridan, Kristin Moore and Jenna Williams. Middle Row: Dena Steward. Austin Sitter, Brandi Schumack, Danielle Braun, Rachel Graham, Jennifer Fuhrman, Jody Christensen, Wendy Beardemphl, Nathan Smith and Chris Haselhorst. Back Row: Brad Bierman, Mark Braun, Holly Beardemphl, Nickolas Hahler, Doug Criddle, Ross Mielke, Lee Mielke, Evan Halvorson, Kenneth Moore, Shane Malsam, Eric Gab and Courtney DeWitte.





ABOVE: Festival Band Members: Front Row: Jaimie Jaragoske, Chelsea Young, Tracey Smith, Trista Smith, Nicole Hammer and Charlotte Green. Middle Row: Starla Baird, Edward Kramp, Ben Hammer, Brandi Schumack, Jennifer Fuhrman and Michelle Jilek. Back Row: Ryan Criddle, Dustin Steward, Lee Mielke and Doug Criddle.

RIGHT: Junior high band and chorus director, Mrs. Paloma Patnode, gives these musicians her best performance during rehearsals. All she asks in return is that they try their hardest at all times.





"I like band because it is FUN!"--Brad Bierman The junior high band and chorus have had a very busy year. Both musical groups performed at a Christmas concert that took place early in the year. The band also practices pep band music throughout the year to prepare for their rock-n-roll debut at boys' basketball

parents' night.

Many of the students went to Festival Music in Aberdeen. The junior high band members were very successful there. Out of many students from surrounding areas competing for first-chair positions, six of Northwestern's band students took first chairs.

Students have been showing their support for the band program at Northwestern by writing articles for the school newsletter. They have been promoting the great opportunities band offers and the fun that can be had by participating.

JUNIOR HIGH BAND AND CHORUS



RIGHT: Junior High Chorus: Front Row: Jennifer Fuhrman, Courtney DeWitte, Erica Adams, Dena Steward, Nikolas Kramp, Chris Haselhorst and Nathan Smith. Middle Row: Wendy Beardemphl, Tara Smith, Launa Fuhrman, Holly Beardemphl, Amanda Peterson, Danielle Braun, Mark Braun, Nickolas Hahler and Austin Sitter. Back Row: Jody Christensen, Chelsea Young, Charlotte Green, Angela Spear, Desa Oberle, Starla Baird, Lee Mielke, Ross Mielke, Evan Halvorson and Eric Gab.



ABOVE: Sixth-graders Courtney DeWitte, Erica Adams, Dena Steward and eighth-grader Amanda Peterson are caught red-handed giggling during

LEFT: Sixth-grader Kristin Moore, flutist, plays a musical note to add to the wonderful sound that makes the junior high band sound great.

chorus rehearsal.





LEFT: Festival Chorus Members: Front Row: Jody Christensen, Wendy Beardemphl, Tessa Mayer, Amanda Peterson, Desa Oberle and Danielle Braun. Middle Row: Zachary Heidenreich, Ashley Braun, Lacy Genzler and Mark Braun. Back Row: Trond Peterson, Brooks Kleffman. Zachary Remily and Jaymar Adams. Not Pictured: Angela Spear.

National Honor Society

BELOW: The current senior members of the National Honor Society pose for a quick picture. Front Row: Marc Thorson, Lisa Wagner and Kara Sparling. Back Row: Chad Spear, Mat Meyer, Barrett Evans and Tarah Steger.



The National Honor Society is an organization designed to honor outstanding students by scholarship, leadership, service and character. The members are chosen by a committee of teachers from the school. During the Christmas season, National Honor Society members donated money and animal care items to the Humane Society. The organization also sponsored the Random Acts of Kindness Week in February in which all the members gave everyone a cookie and a note of kindness. The National Honor Society is also in charge of the donut sales that are held every Friday morning for 50 cents.





ABOVE: The new National Honor Society inductees: juniors Melissa Hammer, Vicki Stoltenberg, Jeremy Hoellein, Kwen Peterson, senior Barrett Evans, juniors Abby Helling, Lynsee Hansen and Janelle Stahl.

ABOVE RIGHT: All current National Honor Society members. Front Row: Juniors Lynsee Hansen, Melissa Hammer and Janelle Stahl, senior Kara Sparling, junior Kwen Peterson and seniors Lisa Wagner and Marc Thorson. Back Row: Senior Mat Meyer, juniors Jeremy Hoellein and Vicki Stoltenberg, senior Barrett Evans, junior Abby Helling and seniors Chad Spear and Tarah Steger.



ABOVE: Sophomore Jessica Halvorson serves punch at the induction ceremony. The top sophomore students who excel in academics and activities are asked to help serve at the induction.



ABOVE: A few of the National Honor Society members make a mess at the induction ceremony.

BELOW: 1998 Girls State representatives and their sponsors. Front Row: Vicki Stoltenberg, Northwestern Journalism Class and Megan Braun, Ashton Auxiliary. Middle Row: Janelle Stahl, Mellette Auxiliary; Lynsee Hansen, Brentford Auxiliary and Abby Helling, Mansfield Auxiliary. Back Row: alternates Melissa Hammer and Holly Morgan.



BELOW: Vicki Stoltenberg was chosen to be one of 14 girls in the state to attend Journalism City at Girls State. Vicki is the first person from Northwestern to attend Journalism City.





ABOVE: 1998 Boys State representatives Daniel Overby and BJ Hansen sponsored by the Mansfield, Brentford and Mellette Legions.

ABOVE: Kraig Steinhoff represented Northwestern at the HOBY Leadership Conference.

Girls State, Boys State and HOBY

NWHS students learn about government and leadership Eight Northwestern students get to finally make sense of government!

In early summer Girls
State was held at the SDSU
campus in Brookings and
Boys State at the NSU
campus in Aberdeen giving
students the opportunity to
experience government
hands-on through various
campaigns and elections.

They learned how the government functions and why it is important to society. Junior Vicki Stoltenberg said, "It's an interesting experience to learn about government from a different perspective.

The Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership Conference was held April 24-26 in Sioux Falls. Sophomore Kraig Steinhoff was among some 13,000 sophomores from all 50 states who attended a variety of workshops designed to develop leadership, to encourage and assist people and to aid in self-development.

BIG MISTAKEI Remember - It you to We will never give up. what's good for you - you we We got your door, give is the correct key. We CAN get your CAR! Nort forget, We will get your room. We may be on Plan & "Never give up Were gonna win. Were gonna And But we can go to Plan Z and then some. If you a way to get IN. would like to glue in before things get too MASTY. Contact Rms 211, 210, 212, The 1997-1998 Birts or 213. Please let us know Volley ball team. P.S. ale 20 people should be able to what you decide. automart you 2 loonies



ABOVE: The volleyball team definitely had a mission during the state tournament weekend. And it wasn't just on the volleyball court. If you were to walk down the halls of the Ramkota Inn in Watertown where the team was staying, you would trample over graffiti, balloons, streamers and posters such as this one, seeking access to the coaches and their rooms. And they found them! Here, the team left this loving note to Head Coach Miss Graves and scorekeeper Mrs. Heidi Williams. After all, "20 people should be able to outsmart you 2 loonies!" as the poster reads.



ABOVE: "Nooooo!" si screams as the girls have final caught Head Volleyball Coat Miss Graves and tie her to a cha with athletic tape. Tradition continues for Head Volleyball Coat Miss Graves: her talented teamakes it to the state tournamen and the girls torture her all weel end.

LEFT: Senior Travis Bindenag jives to the beat of the ball on the court with a Redfield player at home basketball game.

Green Flashes



The score is tied...the clock is quickly running out...3...2...

1...And Northwestern comes out the winner!

Now, there's some excitement for you!

Whether it's basketball, football, volleyball or track, sports add color to our great

school spirit. There are state tournaments, ambitious athletes and wild crowds screaming "One More Time!" You know it--sports can really add a splash of color to the dull moments. Just follow the team and cheer super loud.

Sports

NW

Green Flashes Light Up the Football Field

Football team goes 5-4.

Despite a rocky start, the Northwestern football team stillmanaged to make the playoffs. The Wildcats lost their first three consecutive games. With some extra hard work, they won their next five games in regular

season. With a conference champion-ship title in their hands, they headed into post-season playoffs, where the team lost to D o l a n d - Conde.

Congratulations on a great season!

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18	Roslyn	1:	
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Post-season			
20	Doland/Conde	54	



ABOVE: Sophomore Blair Bohl and senior Korey Frericks run a reverse on the kickoff.

RIGHT: Senior Eric Borge scrambles from the defense while sophomore Blair Bohl blocks.



RIGHT: Senior Mat Meyer, junior Seth Kegler, senior Korey Frericks, junior Josh Kramp, senior Travis Bindenagel, junior Kurt Seymour and senior Eric Borge relax after practice.



Northwestern Football Team



Front row: Ryan Remily, Kurt Seymour, Josh Kramp, Seth Kegler, Christopher DeYoung and David Kramp. Row 2: Blair Bohl, Jarrod Rahm, Kwen Peterson, Ryan Criddle and Matt Buisker. Row 3: Jarod Bierman, Mitchell Young, Matt Larson, Kraig Steinhoff and Ben Buisker. Standing: Head Coach Ray Sauerwein, Travis Bindenagel, Eric Borge, Korey Frericks, Mat Meyer and Assistant Coach Scott Boone.



Picture day always takes a long time, and now everyone knows why. The football team takes some time out of the school day for a fun pose for the yearbook.





LEFT: Sophomore Blair Bohl runs outside in hopes of getting a touchdown. ABOVE: Junior Kurt Seymour attempts another spectacular punt. FAR RIGHT: Freshman Jackie Mitchell goes up for the first shot of the game against Tulare.

RIGHT: Freshman Renae Sparling calmly searches for a teammate to which to pass the ball.

BELOW: Senior Brandii Brown and sophomore Holly Wetzler cut down the basketball net after the district championship game.



RIGHT: Junior Vicki Stoltenberg, freshman Jackie Mitchell and junior Abby Helling anxiously await a rebound.







year of new beginnings for the girls' basketball team. With an inexperienced starting line-up of three juniors and two freshmen, the Wildcats surprised fans by making it to the state tournament and receiving seventh place.

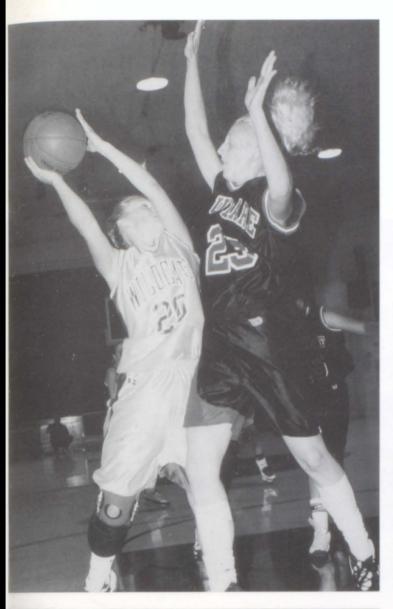
The team suffered a great loss in mid-season due to the broken elbow of lone senior, Brandii Brown. The Wildcats managed to

1997 proved to be a bounce back due to the dear of new beginder back due to the determination of the team's younger player ball team. With an ers.

In the first round of the state tournament, the team lost a hardfought battle to the firstseeded team, Kimball. The next afternoon, the Wildcats received another set-back, losing to a taller Mount Vernon team. However, in the seventh-place game, victory was theirs by defeating Bison, 61 to 54.

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56	Ipswich	5
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55	Frederick/Hecla	47
62	Webster	47
56	Doland/Conde	29
53	Sisseton	55
48	Faulkton	47
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55	Edmunds Central	58
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45	Kimball: State	49
60	Mt. Vernon: State	73
61	Bison: State	54





LEFT: Senior Brandii Brown fights to make a basket. Originally, Brandii shined as a defensive player, but through her junior and senior years, she has proved to perform well both as a defensive and an offensive player.

BELOW: Junior Vicki Stoltenberg and freshman Renae Sparling strive to make themselves champions during an exhausting practice.



Wins: 16 Losses: 8



VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL:

Front Row: Renae Sparling, Jackie Mitchell, Brandii Brown, Abby Helling and Amy Heidenreich.

Row 2: Sabrina Seibrecht, Holly Wetzler, Jessica Halvorson, Christy Wagner and Melissa Hammer.

Back Row: Asst. Coach Nora Groft, Vicki Stoltenberg, Brittanie Kraus, Andrea McComsey, Holly Morgan and Coach Dena Sievers.

Wins: 6 Losses: 9



JUNIOR VARSITY GIRLS' BASKETBALL:

Christy Wagner, Holly Wetzler and Andrea Front Row:

McComsey.

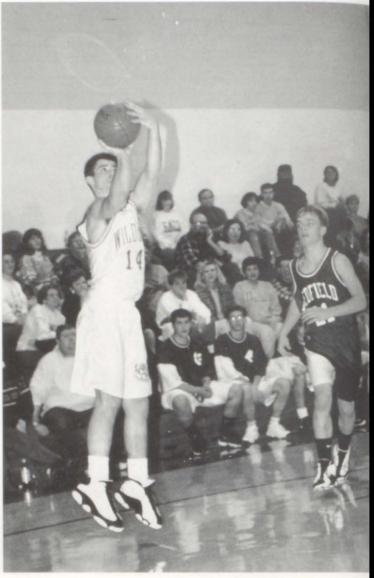
Holly Morgan, Sabrina Seibrecht and Amy Back Row:

Heidenreich.

BELOW: Senior Jason Clemens is in the process of working his way past a defender into the lane against the Redfield Pheasants.

RIGHT: Senior Eric Borge pulls up for a jump shot just inside the three point line against the Redfield Pheasants.





WINS LOSSES



VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL

Front Row: Assistant Coach Ryan Thorson and Head Coach Wade Rozell. Back Row: Ryan Remily, Travis Bindenagel, Eric Borge, Mat Meyer, Seth Kegler, Korey Frericks, Kurt Seymour, Kraig Steinhoff, Ben Buisker, Jason Clemens, Kwen Peterson and Jeremy Hoellein.

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JUNIOR VARSITY BOYS' BASKETBALL

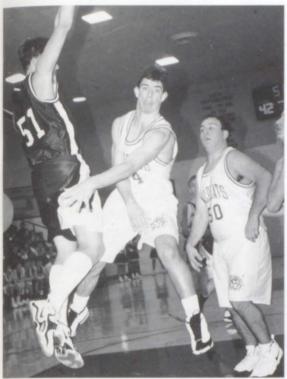
Front Row: Christopher DeYoung, Jarod Bierman, Adam Hahler, Matt Larson, Daniel Overby and Matt Buisker. Back Row: Coach Ryan Thorson, Tyler Kienow, Blair Bohl, Seth Kegler, Kwen Peterson, Ben Buisker and Kraig Steinhoff.





FAR LEFT: Junior Jeremy Hoellein looks for a shot under the basket against the Doland-Conde Chargers, while senior Eric Borge watches in the background.

LEFT: Sophomore Ben Buisker carefully prepares for a free throw attempt.





FAR LEFT: Senior Eric Borge dishes the ball off while driving the lane. Senior Travis Bindenagel looks on.

LEFT: Seniors Mat Meyer and Korey Frericks stand in defensive position awaiting the opponent.

BELOW: Junior Kurt Seymour goes up with a strong move to the hoop.



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Langford

Boys' Basketball

1997-98: The Year of Surprises

With the younger players seeing much playing time, they gained valuable experience that will be useful in seasons to come.

The team will be losing many talented seniors: Travis Bindenagel, Eric Borge, Jason Clemens, Korey Frericks, Mat Meyer.

The team started the season on the right foot with a victory and ended with a tough loss in overtime to Langford in the district tournament. The Wildcats ended the season with a record of 8 - 11.

The 1997-98 boys' basketball team improved much over previous seasons. The players put together great chemistry while using almost the entire roster each game.

The team's new attitude pulled them through the season well. Despite many injuries, the team had a positive outlook, which was instilled by the seniors from the beginning of the season.

With two of the five seniors sitting out with broken bones and minor incisions in the back of the head, the juniors and sophomores got to see a little more playing time.

C A T S

Green Spotted at State Tournament

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Although many of the volleyball players and fans were suprised at being rated No. 1 in class B by the *Rapid City Journal* at the start of the season, the Wildcats nearly proved them right by placing second at the state B tournament.

To get to the state tournament, the Wildcats defeated the Warner Monarchs in a marathon of matches at the district tournament.

The Wildcats then went on to defeat a hard-hitting Leola team in the region championship.

At the state tournament, the Wildcats played many good teams but survived to make it to the championship match.

As the fifth seed, the Wildcats defeated fourth-seed Harding County in the first round. Then they went on to beat eighth-rated Freeman in a close match. The Wildcats lost to Duebrook in two games in the third round.

Coming up from the loser's bracket, the Wildcats defeated Rapid City Christian to get into the championship match against Duebrook. The Wildcats played a tough game but came up short.





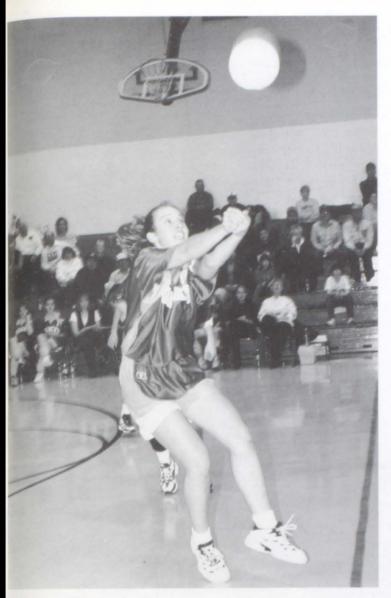
ABOVE: Seniors Kara Sparling and Tarah Steger take care of the team by being student managers.

RIGHT: Senior Brandii Brown shows off her perfect passing form as she goes for a dig during the match



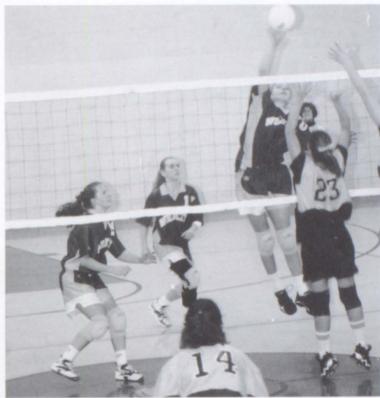
RIGHT: C Team: Kary Bullock, Lorra Beardemphl, Heather O'Daniel, Ashley Braun, Stephanie Burger, Sarah Christensen, Lacy Genzler, Jessica Stoltenburg, Trista Smith, Megan Braun, Dixie Jeschke and Coach Nora Groft.





LEFT: Sophomore Amy Heindenreich shows off her bump setting skills.

BELOW: Junior Abby Helling goes up to hit it past her opponents and over the blockers while junior Melissa Hammer and senior Brandii Brown provide a cover.



Wins

Losses



VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Front Row: Andrea McComsey, Tracey Smith, Sabrina Siebrecht, Amy Heidenreich, Vicki Stoltenberg and Christy Wagner. Middle Row: Head Coach Kathy Graves, Brittanie Kraus, Holly Morgan, Jessica Halvorson, Abby Helling, Brandii Brown and Assistant Coach Nora Groft. Back Row: Jackie Mitchell, Jill Ford, Renae Sparling and Melissa Hammer. Not pictured: Holly Wetzler.

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JUNIOR VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Front Row: Janelle Stahl, Holly Morgan, Christy Wagner and Angela Meyer. Middle Row: Coach Nora Groft. Back Row: DanaLittle, Brittanie Kraus, Andrea McComsey and Tracey Smith. Not pictured: Holly Wetzler.

Green Flashes

1998 Track Season

Six athletes placed in the state Sparling and Ford received tournament held in Rapid City in first to qualify for the state tourlate May. The 1,600-meter relay nament. Mitchell ran a time of team, consisting of Holly Wetzler, Jackie Mitchell, Renae Sparling dash to qualify. In the triple and Jill Ford placed sixth at the state tournament. Vicki Stoltenberg placed fifth in the long jump with a jump of 15'9 1/2". Kurt Seymour also placed fifth in qualified for state with a time the high jump with a jump of 6'2".

were fourteen state qualifiers to go to Rapid City; eight girls and five boys.

qualified for state high jump early qualified in the 200-meter dash in the season by jumping 4'10". At with a time of 24.3 seconds. regions members of the 400-meter Meyer also qualified for state team including Wetzler, Mitchell, in the high jump event.

28.4 seconds in the 200-meter jump event, Helling jumped a second place jump of 32'3" to head to Rapid City.

The boys' 800-meter relay of 1:41.8. Members included By the end of the season, there Eric Borge, Mat Meyer, Seth Kegler and Blair Bohl. State qualifiers in individual events were Bohl and Borge in the Sparling and Abby Helling 100-meter dash. Bohl also

BELOW: Senior Eric Borge long jumps at the Al Sahli Athlete's Foot Track meet held at the Barnett Center in Aberdeen.





ABOVE: Senior Carrie Gabel flies over her hurdles during the 300meter hurdle event at the Wolsey track meet.

RIGHT: Freshman Jackie Mitchell leaps into the long jump pit at the Al Sahli Athlete's Foot track meet at the Barnett Center in Aberdeen.

FAR RIGHT: Junior Abby Helling prepares to kick her feet to avoid the high jump bar at the Wolsey track meet.



RIGHT: Freshman Renae Sparling takes a handoff from sophomore Holly Wetzler during the 400meter relay at the Ipswich track meet.





Boys' Varsity Track Team

ABOVE: First Row: Blair Bohl, Ben Buisker, Kraig Steinhoff, Jarod Bierman and Tyler Kienow. Second Row: Daniel Overby, Adam Hahler, Kwen Peterson, Jeremy Hoellein and Matt Larson. Third Row: Seth Kegler, Kurt Seymour, BJ Hansen and Jarrod Rahm. Back Row: Eric Borge, Travis Bindenagel and Mathew Meyer. Not pictured: Mitchell Young.

Girls' Varsity Track Team



ABOVE: First Row: Heather O'Daniel, Renae Sparling, Holly Wetzler and Carrie Gabel. Second Row: Jessica Halvorson, Jackie Mitchell, Amy Heidenreich, Vicki Stoltenberg, Jessica Stoltenburg and Jill Ford. Third Row: Abby Helling, Melissa Hammer, Tracey Smith, Andrea McComsey and Starla Baird. Back Row: Megan Braun, Sabrina Siebrecht, Ashley Braun and Angela Meyer.





LEFT: Junior Kurt Seymour reaches to clear the high jump bar at the Wolsey track meet. Seymour broke the school high jump record of 6'1/2" set by Larry Kramer in 1961 by jumping an incredible 6'6" at the Ipswich track meet.

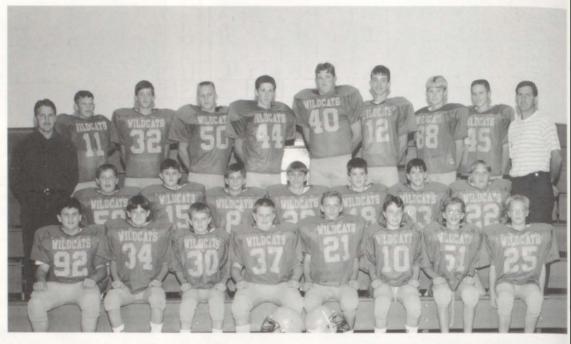
ABOVE: Freshman Jill Ford concentrates on another great triple jump at the Ipswich track meet. BELOW RIGHT: Junior High Football: Front row: Doug Criddle, Brady Kleffman, Donnie Evans, Brad Bierman, Nathan Schaunaman, Jason Hansen, Mark Braun and Michael Schnell. Middle Row: Matt Genzler, Trond Peterson, Jared Steger, Kris Sparling, Zachary Remily, Jacob Voeller and Eric Gab. Back Row: Coach Dale Heidenreich, Adam Larson, Dane Jeschke, Zachary Heidenreich, Robert Baumgarten, Charles Smith, Lee Mielke, Brooks Kleffman, Edward Kramp and Coach Wade Rozell.

BELOW: Eighth-grader Nicole Hammer shows off her passing form during volleyball practice. The junior high coaches stress learning the basics before moving on to more advanced skills



RIGHT: Seventh-Grade Volleyball: Front Row: Coach Nora Groft, Desa Oberle, Angela Spear, Chelsea Young, Jenna Williams and Iody Christensen. Back Row: Danielle Braun, Jaimie Jarogoske, Brandi Schumack, Jennifer Fuhrman and Wendy Beardemphl. Not Pictured: Charlotte Green.





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JUNIOR HIGH SPORTS

Football, Girls' Basketball, Boys' Basketball and Volleyball

high athletes, they had a very fun and successful year.

"The volleyball team had an excellent year; but the basketball team still has a lot of room to improve," said eighth grade volleyball and basketball player Nicole Hammer.

Eighth-grader Zachary Heidenreich was proud of the basketball team because by the end of the year, they had developed good teamwork skills.

Many of these athletes are setting strong goals for

According to the junior themselves and their teammates to help increase their future potential. A majority of the players wanted to work toward better free throw percentages, to win a lot of games and to get as many serves over in a row during volleyball as possible.

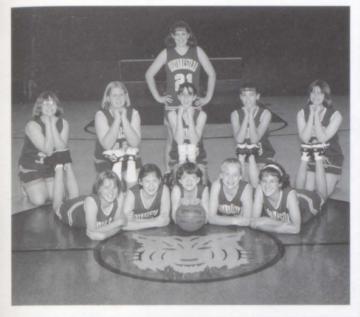
> "Junior high sports are great learning experiences that produce a sound base for future opportunities involving varsity athletics," said junior high boys' basketball Coach Dena Sievers.



ABOVE: Eighth-grade Volleyball: Back Row. Coach Nora Groft, Christina Kramp, Rebecca Ford, Starla Baird, Tara Richter and Nicole Hammer. Front Row: Jackie Tolvstad, Tessa Mayer, Amanda Peterson, Kayla Stahl and Michelle Jilek.

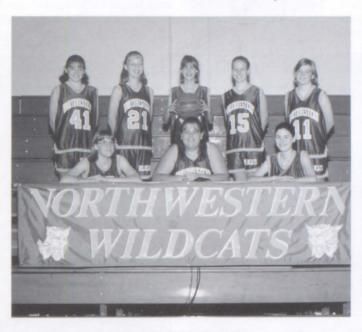
SEVENTH-GRADE GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Front Row: Jaimie Jarogoske, Brandi Schumack, Wendy Beardemphl, Jennifer Fuhrman and Jody Christensen. Middle Row: Danielle Braun, Charlotte Green, Chelsea Young, Desa Oberle and Rachel Graham. Back Row: Jenna Williams.



EIGHTH-GRADE GIRLS' BASKETBALL

Front Row: Cristina Kramp, Starla Baird and Tara Richter. Back Row: Michelle Jilek, Nicole Hammer, Kayla Stahl, Amanda Peterson and Jackie Tolvstad. Not Pictured: Becky Ford.







LEFT: Seventh-grade Boys' Basketball: Front Row: Eric Gab, Dustin LeDeaux, Lee Mielke, and Coach Dena Sievers. Middle Row: Mark Braun, Nathan Schaunaman, Jason Hansen, Doug Criddle and Brad Bierman. Back Row: Marcus Martin, Donnie Evans and Brady Kleffman. ABOVE: Eighth-grade Boys' Basketball: Front Row: Zachary Remily, Trond Peterson and Jaymar Adams. Middle Row: Coach Dena Sievers, Adam Larson, Jared Steger, Zachary Heidenreich and Mark Kellar. Back Row: Edward Kramp, Robert Baumgarten, Matt Antar, Brooks Kelffman and Kris Sparling.

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Cheerleading and Junior High Track

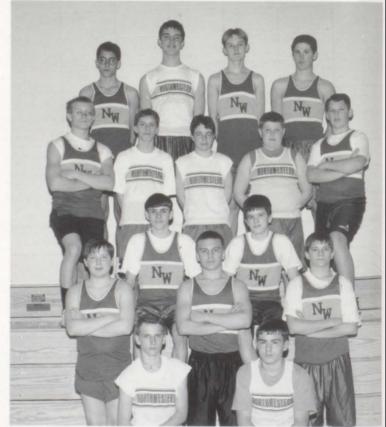


This year's junior high track team is very unique. Both the girls and the boys teams have a variety of runners, which is very uncommon. They are not lacking in the areas of sprinters, middle or distance runners. Surprisingly enough they also have individuals who excel in field events.

Junior high track coach Dena Sievers felt that if some track meets had not been so windy, records could have been set for the tracksters. She is very proud of the entire team's season and couldn't have asked for a more well-rounded and successful bunch of athletes.

ABOVE: Junior High Girls' Track: Front Row: Jenna Williams, Amanda Peterson and Michelle Jilek. Back Row: Jennifer Fuhrman, Brandi Schumack, Kayla Stahl, Wendy Beardemphl, Jody Christensen and Nicole Hammer.

RIGHT: Junior High Boys' Track: Front Row: Nathan Schaunaman and Shane Malsam. Second Row: Matt Genzler, Kris Sparling, Zachary Heidenreich, Zachary Remily and Jared Steger. Third Row: Mark Kellar, Mark Braun, Jason Hansen, Brad Bierman and Adam Larson. Back Row: Shawn Malsam, Lee Mielke, Brooks Kleffman and Robert Baumgarten.



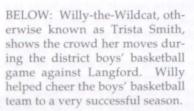
TRACK & FIELD

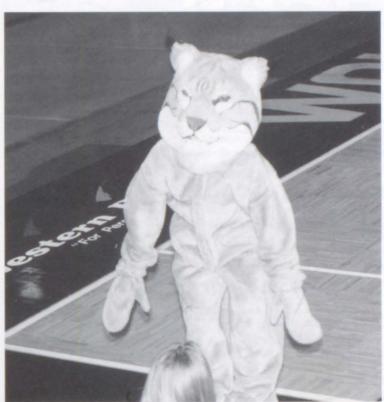
The varsity cheerleaders kept busy not only by cheering at all the games, but by putting on a junior cheerleading clinic for kindergarten through fifth grade in January. The junior cheerleaders learned new cheers, made many spirited posters for the gym and performed a cheer routine for many spectators and fans. All of Northwestern's cheerleaders, young and old, support the various athletic teams wholeheartedly.

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Cheerleading

BELOW LEFT: Boys' Basketball and Football Cheerleaders: Amy Heidenreich, Holly Wetzler, Holly Morgan, Janelle Stahl and Angela Meyer. In memory of Megan Olson lies her picture, pom-pons and shoes.

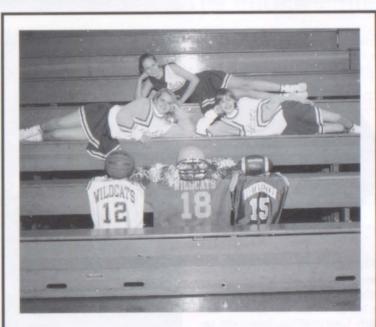






SEVENTH-GRADE CHEERLEADERS

ABOVE: Wendy Beardemphl, Chelsea Young, Angela Spear, Desa Oberle and Jennifer Fuhrman. The seventh-grade cheerleaders are getting excited to cheer for varstiy teams as they get older.



EIGHTH-GRADE CHEERLEADERS

ABOVE: Tessa Mayer, Amanda Peterson and Kayla Stahl. These girls said that they had a great time cheering for the eighth graders because the boys played very well together as a team.

RIGHT: "Don't worry, you've got billions of brain cells" reads one of the posters inside of senior Carrie Gabel's locker. Decorating your locker to make it feel like home is a task many begin on the first day of school and work to perfect it all year. Cheerleaders often pep up athletes by making posters to hang on their lockers for upcoming games. When the last bell rang on the last day of school this year, we could still see football and basketball posters from the fall season adorning some lockers.

Other locker sights you may see:

*Superman stickers for those junior classmen who think they are.

*Pedestrian Walking signs to remind those clutzes to watch out for moving objects.

*Arrow-shaped Fire Extinguisher signs leading those nicotine-challenged students and faculty members to safety.

*Self-gratifying posters reading:

'Tis Chad (Spear)

The friendless.

The forsaken.

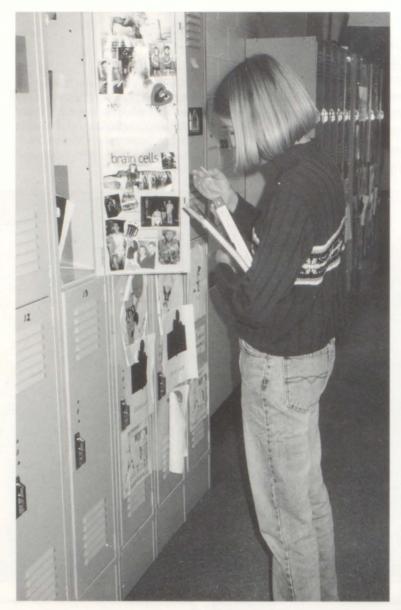
The misunderstood.

*A "Don't Drink and Ride" public service announcement of a man holding a baby and riding a motorcycle. The poster reads, "Because you're the leader of a new pack now."

*The senior countdown of how many days are left until their last 3:35p.m. bell rings...3...2...1....



RIGHT: Stephanie Funk, RDTN Facilitator, caught in the act. Mrs. Funk is definitely the life of the party or at least brings to life the Spanish and English Composition classes she supervises. Some people splash water on their face to start the day, but she splashes several 20 oz. bottles of Diet Coke down her throat before 10 a.m. to keep herself going at full-speed.







ABOVE: Looks like things got a little out of hand for seniors Chad Spear and Korey Frericks during a pep fest. This pep fest was to rally on the boys' basketball team to the district tournament. Chad, master of the mike, emceed the pie-eating contest that Korey, the pie connoisseur, won.

Tickled Pink



Whether it's a big event like homecoming or prom or simply hanging out in the school parking lot, the students of Northwestern know how to spruce it up. What do they do? Well, let's see...there's weekends, dating, work, friends, all those funny

things we do and say, and of course, driving around the great metropolis of Mellette. Student life is full of activity helping the students to keep their sanity. Set aside the academics, the organizations and the sports and allow the student life to influence the color in the school.

Student Life

Blockscheduling...Let's give it a try.

The following is a sample of the teaching styles that will be used during block scheduling and the student's retention level from those teaching methods.

Lecture 5%
Reading 10%
Audio Visual 20%
Demonstration 30%
Discussion Groups 50%
Practice by doing 75%
Teaching others 90%

A big issue within the school this vear was preparing to switch to block scheduling, which has longer longer classes, instead of the traditional Carneige schedule, which has seven classes with periods of 50-minutes. With this in mind for next year, students are already voicing their opinions on the idea of longer classes. Some are disappointed about the change while others are enthusiastically accepting it, knowing they will be having better learning opportunities and will be able to accumulate more credits. There are many benefits to having block scheduling. Teachers have fewer classes to prepare and therefore, can concentrate on improving presentations. Students will have fewer classes to do homework in and therefore, can spend more quality time on the homework they do have. The variety of teaching methods will lead to more learning and retaining more information. Longer periods are great for cooking and labs in FACS and science experiments. Block scheduling has been a questionable issue over the last couple years at Northwestern, but the administration is ready to give it a try for this next school year.



ABOVE: Members of the Northern Plain Voices play music.

Northern Plain Voices

The Northern Plain Voices visited Northwestern School to share with us the ways of the Native American Dances Oct. 13, 1997. Northern Plain Voices has visited area schools for more than three years and will continue to do so as long as their presence is requested. Four students of the group attend Northwestern School. Those students are Marcus Martin, Lisa White, Jackson Redbird and Stevie Redbird. Other members include Andrew Cutt, Sr. and Ronnie Cutt.

When asked why they decided to visit schools, Andrew replied, "We want younger people to be aware of the cultures. Many younger people have a misconception of what the purpose of the Indian ways are. We just want other people to be aware of the ways of our lives and try to understand why we do this."

The Northern Plain Voices normally visit Aberdeen-area schools but accepted our request to let people in this area better understand the native ways. During the program, Andrew had the members of the audience come out on the floor, forming a large circle, and they were taught a simple dance. Afterwards, he had every one bow their heads and sing a memorial song for Megan Olson. Many hearts were touched that day.



ABOVE: Dancing and demostrating Indian traditions.

Editorials

Sportsmanship of the Teams by Karen Franks

The sportsmanship of the teams has greatly increased since last year. More effort is put forth and the players are trying harder.

The football team, for example, showed an interest in the games played. Senior Jason Sandquist felt that the amount of teamwork had increased, and the players were having a more successful

The girls' basketball team left people astonished. The many victories accomplished were caused by the effort and the support of the team members toward each other. "The team showed great interest in getting along with each other to increase the team work to win more games," said senior Brandii Brown.

Junior Melissa Hammer agreed, "Without the friendship between the players, the team might not have had the success that we did."

The boys' basketball team showed great sportsmanship as well. "The

boys' basketball players are showing far more effort this year than the past years," said junior Adam Hahler.

Volleyball has been

Northwestern's strongest sport in the

last few years. "As long as the people keep showing up and showing support, then the team will do their best to keep the crowd happy," Hammer said.

The sportsmanship of the teams has greatly increased since last year. More and more people are showing up for the games and cheering for our Wildcats. The amount of people showing up boosts the team members' hopes and leads to a good game. When the school shows interest in the team, then the team will show more interest in the games they are playing. The team members worked hard to make this year the year for sports at Northwestern.

Is Our Alcohol and Tobacco Policy Strict Enough? by Adam Hahler

Teens in our school are complaining about how strict our alcohol and tobacco policy for athletes is. They're wrong. Our alcohol and tobacco policy isn't strong enough. Last year, I can recall when a few people in our school, who were involved in sports, got caught drinking. They had to sit out one game for every sport in which they were involved. Then they were back to playing their old positions. That's all that happened—they should have been banned from every sporting event.

Of course, that was last year, and the rules have changed since then. Right now, if caught with possession or consumption of alcohol or tobacco by a minor, all an athlete has to do is attend a drug-abuse class at Northern State University on the first offense. On the second violation, the athlete must miss 15 percent of the games and attend the class at Northern again. On the third offense, the athlete gets kicked out of all sports events. That is it, no questions asked.

That's still not enough. When athletes decide to participate in sports, they should make the choice not to put any substance, such as alcohol or tobacco, into their bodies. They should want to keep their bodies in top condition. If they choose to use alcohol or tobacco products, and they get caught, they should suffer the maximum penalty-they should be kicked out of all sporting events.

Whether students are in sports or not, they should not be using alcohol or tobacco. In the first place, it's ILLEGAL! If students are under 18, they can't use tobacco, and if students are under 21, they can't use alcohol. For them, not only is it illegal, but they are in sports anyway, so the shouldn't be using the contaminants. To sum it up--our tobacco and alcohol policy should be more strict.



Litter on School Grounds by Crystal-Lynn Gifford

Litter has become a problem at school. It makes the school look sloppy, and it is disrespectful. Litter greatly reflects the students and employees of this school. Whether it be degrading to the looks of the property, or if it causes a few citizens to gripe, littering is just not worth the problems that it causes. We all need to make an effort to help keep our school clean, inside and out.

This year the journalism students, including myself, picked up the trash that had been carelessly discarded on the school ground. We picked up an overwhelming and disgusting amount of trash. Items such as pop bottles, candy

wrappers, beer cans, broken beer bottles, empty cigarette packs, empty chewing tobacco containers, school papers, gloves, socks and even breakfast remains were retrieved.

These items were not found in one particular place either. Garbage was everywhere, from the parking lots to the playground, on the football field, and on the grassy areas.

We really need to take pride in our school. Students and employees should have the pride and respect to set an example and to be responsible enough to show that we care and that we are capable of cleaning up after ourselves. Take pride in our school and help keep the school looking its best by disposing of trash properly.

What is your greatest memory or most embar-rassing moment?

When I had to spell "Wildcats" with my butt at homecoming.--freshman Ryan Criddle

Going to state volleyball and drowning Tarah Steger's dolls.-freshman Jill Ford

Finally learning how to jack up a car.--senior Kara Sparling

Running from the police--HA! HA!--senior Neil Nelson

When we beat D/C in football and got the conference champs.--senior Jason Sandquist

What T.V. show most reminds you of your-self?

"Dazed and Confused"--freshman Darren Haessig

"90210"--because my life is full of adventure.--senior Chris Reed

"Jerry Springer"--senior Tyler Forsyth

"Little House on the Prairie"--because we live in the middle of nowhere, and we would have to walk miles to get to town.--senior Rebecca Kraus

"Step-by-Step"--because I have a big family due to remarriages just like the T.V. show.--senior Brandii Brown

What is the first thing that goes through your head when your alarm buzzes?

I think I'm going to be sick today...Mom!--freshman Chris Etl

Where's the snooze button?--senior Brandii Brown

God *?!* Son of a ?@*@#!--senior Travis Bindenagel

Why!?!--senior Mike Larson

I'm really tired...Life sucks!--senior Tyler Forsyth

What do weekends mean to you?

Sleeping for about 13 or 14 hours per night.--sophomore Christy Wagner

Go on my WebTV, attack my dogs and work at Wylie Thunder Road.-sophomore Angela Meyer Weekends to me mean two whole days without having teachers mess with my mind.--sophomore Matt Larson



ABOVE: Tough Guys: Josh Kramp, Colin Williams, Seth Kegler and Brad Binger.

South Dakota National Guard Junior Day at Spring Shoot The National Guard Recruiter from Redfield organizes a Spring Shoot for juniors to encourage interest in the National Guard. This year juniors Josh Kramp, Colin Williams, Seth Kegler and Brad Binger shot 9MM pistols, 50 calibur guns, M-16s, shot tanks and scaled fences.

What would you do with \$1,000,000?

I would buy the White House so I could be president.--freshman Darren Haessig

Buy a new Chevy Sierra extended cab pickup with all the bells and whistles on it--it gets better gas mileage; it would be nice to have a new vehicle.--junior Brad Binger

I would hire someone to finish remodeling my house because I'm sick of it being only half done.--freshman Ashley Braun

A red or black Grand Am because I need transportation to shop, and I don't know how much longer the "skunk" will run.--senior Kara Sparling

I'd buy a house so I didn't have to live with my parents.--sophomore Joe Jaragoske

Buy Lee Park Golf Course--this way I could golf without worrying about having other golfers in my way.--sophomore Tyler Kienow

The Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the bus go round and round, Round and round, round and round.
The wheels on the bus go round and round, All through the town.

Kramp and Williams go up the stairs, Up the stairs, up the stairs. Kramp and Williams go up the stairs, All through the town.

The driver on the bus says "Move on back, Move on back, Move on back."
The driver on the bus says "Move on back," All through the town.

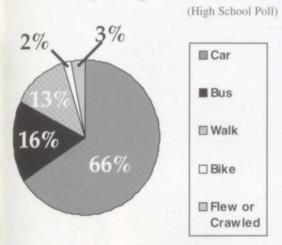
Juniors Josh Kramp and Colin Williams got into a little bit of trouble and as punishment from their parents were ordered to ride the bus for two weeks!



"I was the big bad bully on the bus for two weeks." -Josh Kramp

"I loved it." (yeah right!)
-Colin Williams

How do you get to school?



It wouldn't be NWHS without...

...battered fish
--sophomore Jarod
Bierman

...hicks and preps
--freshman Chris Etl

...the profanity
--freshman Ryan
Criddle

...Mr. Boone's interesting puns --sophomore Amy Heidenriech

...male species with low IQs
--sophomore Ariel Richter

...Mr. Eisenbeisz and Connie --see page 80

What do you do with pocket fuzz?

Put it on my dreser when I empty my pockets.--freshman Trista Smith

I save it behind my ear.--senior Neil Nelson

Throw it out--what else!?!-freshman Tracey Smith

Light it on fire.--freshman Mike Payne

Try to sell it.--freshman Lorra Beardemphl

Have you ever done anything wierd to cure boredom?

If I had some Pixy Stix, I would see how many I could eat at once.--freshman Ben Hammer

I started counting the words in the songbook at church; it was more interesting than the sermon.—freshman Ryan Criddle

Glue pennies on my dresser, aligning them in straight rows with the heads up.--sophomore Ariel Richter

Stand on my head and bark like a dog.--sophomore Jarod Bierman

Purposely crashed my go-cart into walls.--sophomore Mike Kramp

Homecoming

"Homecoming was an all-around good time this year. I really had a lot of fun and am looking forward to next year's week of entertainment." --David Kramp

Coronation evening led off the week-long festivities by crowning seniors Eric Borge and Brandii Brown as Northwestern's new Homecoming king and queen. Many skits were performed to entertain the crowd and get the Wildcat pride going once again. The gym was decorated in green and gold to help the basketball and football teams get ready for battle throughout the coming week.

The girls' basketball team played Ipswich on Tuesdayevening. They ended up losing the hard fought game 56-58. Later in the week, they played Cresbard and won 51-44. Northwestern's football team played a spectacular Homecoming game against Iroquois, which ended with Northwestern leading 40-6.

Many other activities took place during this fun-filled week. Students were encouraged to dress up on Switch Day, Toga Day, Slave Day and Green and Gold Day. Student council members also painted faces throughout the entire school body to show school spirit during the parade.

"Homecoming was fun! I wish slave day would have lasted all week!" --Freshman Brittanie Kraus

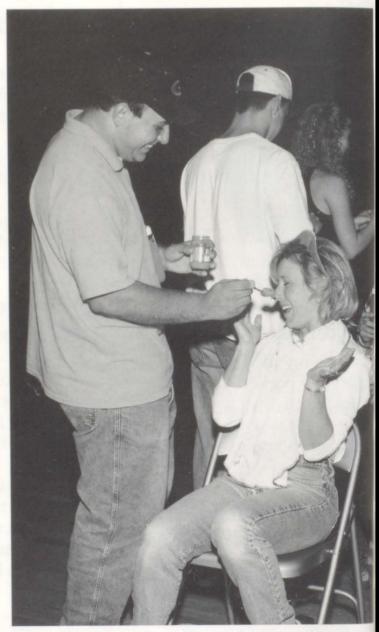


ABOVE: This year, some of Northwestern's football players decided to show their more feminine sides. Senior Travis Bindenagel (mascot), senior Jason Sandquist, senior Mat Meyer, junior Ryan Remily, freshman Michael Payne, junior Mitchell Young, sophomore Jarod Bierman, sophomore Blair Bohl and senior Eric Borge led the crowd through many cheers to support the girls' basketball team during a close game against Ipswich.

ABOVE RIGHT: Seniors Brandii Brown and Eric Borge were chosen to reign over Northwestern during Homecoming week. Brandii and Eric both participate in numerous school activities, and they exemplify great traits that all queens and kings should possess.



RIGHT: The football cheerleaders' skit this year certainly did make cheerleading advisor, Cheryl Peterson, think twice about whom she chose to be on the cheer squad. All of the seniors on the football and basketball teams fed the coaches baby food as fast as they could. Senior Travis Bindenagel finds out just how much Cheryl likes creamed yams.



Shakes



LEFT: The well-chosen 1998 Homecoming court consisted of seniors Kara Sparling, Chad Spear, Chris Reed, Mat Meyer, Brandii Brown, Eric Borge, first-graders Princess Erica Lerew and Prince August Cass.

BELOW: Tex (left), otherwise known as freshman Michael Payne and Gangster, otherwise known as (right) junior Jarrod Rahm, trade places during the Homecoming festivities. On any day-other than Switch Day-Jarrod would be found in the boots and spurs ensemble, and Michael in the sweats.







LEFT: Fourth graders T.J. Smith, Alex Mitchell, Jessica Hammer and Matt Vogel display their creative Dr. Suess and Wildcat spirit with striped top hats and paw-painted faces. ABOVE: Once again the class of 1998 went all out with decorating their float. Somehow they got their green and gold car to make it through the entire parade route without having to push, pull or drag it. Seniors Colin Artz, Adam Haessig, Mike Larson and Rebecca Kraus proudly show off their unique masterpiece.

Shakespeare Who?!?

RIGHT: Seniors Marc Thorson and Barrett Evans are having the old, "master to butler" chat.



On Friday, March 27, 1998, the air smelled of murder, scandal, and aliens. You guessed it the junior/senior play. The first act of the double feature was "Mystery at Murdock Manor". The second act was a hillbilly comedy with an "alien" twist called, "Hatchet Holler". Both plays filled the entire night with unforgettable and hilarious laughter.

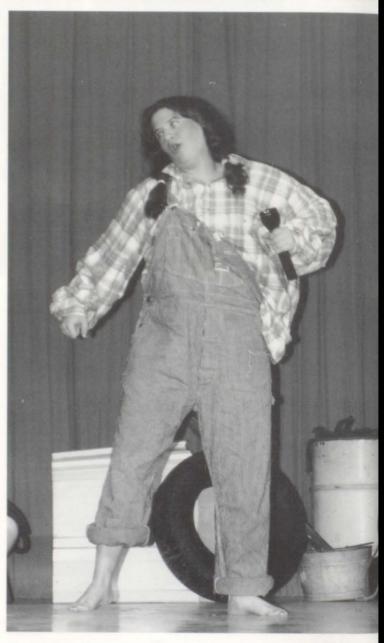


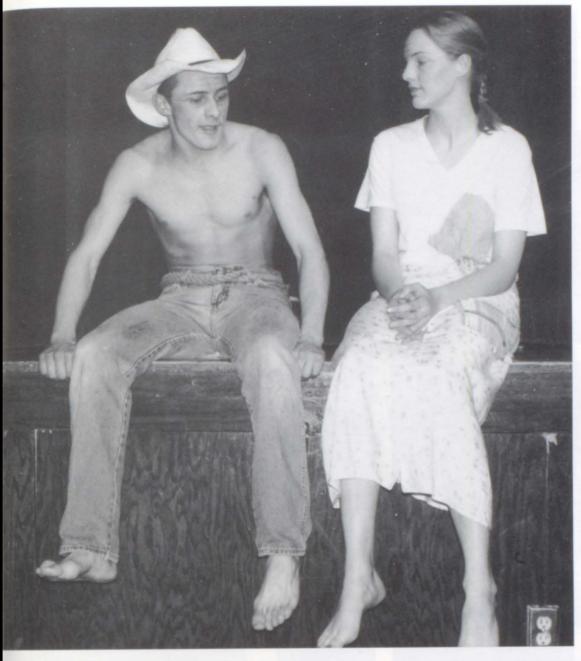
ABOVE: No, this is not a family reunion. It is the cast of "Hatchet Holler". Front row: Kara Sparling, Marc Thorson, Megan Braun and Janelle Stahl. Middle row: Jason Sandquist, Stefani Burger, Vicki Stoltenberg and B.J. Hansen. Back row: Mike Larson, Barrett Evans, Melissa Hammer, Jarrod Rahm, Lynsee Hansen, Chad Spear, Brandii Brown, Abby Helling and Lisa Wagner.

FAR RIGHT: Junior "hillbilly" Janelle "Millie" Stahl just had a close encounter of the third kind. "We're not alone!" she screams as she runs on stage to her Pa.



ABOVE: Juniors Vicki Stoltenberg and Holly Morgan are doing what they do best: acting like well-mannered teenagers in the "Mystery at Murdock Manor".





LEFT: Junior Jarrod "Wolf" Rahm is trying to impress junior Abby "Sunflower" Helling by showing off his muscles and applying his "hillbilly charm." This play was a hillbilly rendition of Romeo and Juliet with fueding families and star-crossed lovers.

BELOW: "Ooh, lah-lah!" Junior Lynsee "Fifi" Hansen is cleaning house, french style. Fifi's character doubled as a maid and a private eye for the rich Coronel Murdock.







LEFT: Junior Vicki "Ma" Stoltenberg is having a talk with senior Jason "Pa" Sandquist and his BB gun, "Betsy".

ABOVE: "Mystery" Cast: Front Row: Stefani Burger, Dennis Larson, Brandii Brown, Vicki Stoltenberg, Holly Morgan, Mike Larson, Kara Sparling, Lynsee Hansen and Barrett Evans. Back Row: Marc Thorson, Megan Braun, Janelle Stahl, Chad Spear and Melissa Hammer.

BELOW: Seniors: Front Row: Chad Spear, Crystal-Lynn Gifford, Rebecca Kraus, Kara Sparling, Emily Spear and Brandii Brown. Back Row:Travis Bindenagel, Barrett Evans, Mat Meyer, Adam Haessig, guest Ryan Zens, Korey Frericks and Eric Borge.

RIGHT: Walking through the grand march, junior Abby Helling and senior Korey Frericks are ready to start a night of fun.



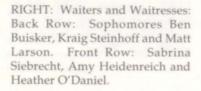




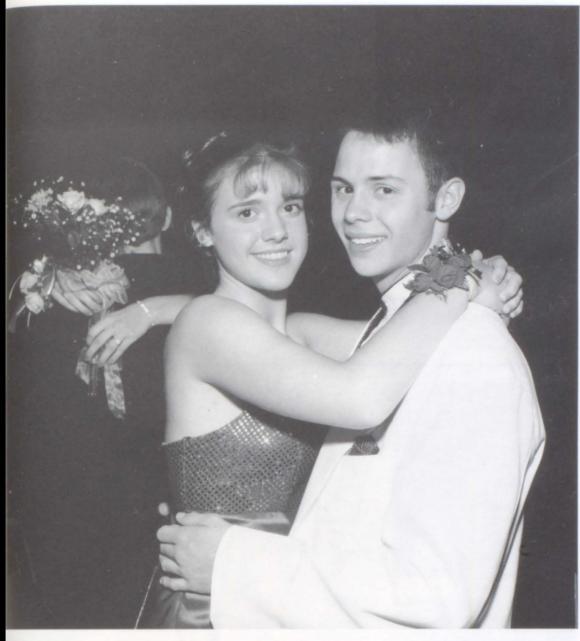
ABOVE: Juniors: Front Row: Sara Hansen and Janelle Stahl. Second Row: Josh Kramp, Ryan Remily, Jessica Sheridan, Holly Morgan, Jessica Stoltenburg, Melissa Hammer, Lynsee Hansen, Jeremy Hoellein, Megan Braun and Ashley West. Back Row: David Kramp, Richie Schumack, Jarrod Rahm, Brad Binger, Josh Palmer, Adam Hahler, Kurt Seymour, Abby Helling, Mitchell Young, B.J. Hansen and Vicki Stoltenberg.



ABOVE RIGHT: Junior Megan Braun and sophomore Robb Batteen enjoy the grand march.







LEFT: Sophomore Christy Wagner and senior Chad Spear danced the night away at the junior-senior prom.

BELOW: Junior Sara Hansen poses for the camera, while senior Josh Muellenberg tries to keep her dancing.



Falling Stars Filter Many

Colors Into the Night

RIGHT: Senior Travis Bindenagel and freshman Jackie Mitchell take a break from the fun to order a drink from the alcohol-free bar.



No one caught a falling star at the junior-senior prom, but the night was still full of fun and excitement. Everyone was dressed for the occasion and ready for the night. Doing the limbo, drinking beverages from the alcohol-free bar, dancing the night away and having just good, clean fun made this year's prom a success. Bowling and gambling with fake money ended the night at post prom.

RIGHT: Travis Bindenagel and Colin Artz show signs of sadness and satisfaction as "school's out...forever!" The senior class chose the song "School's Out" by Alice Cooper to play during the recessional.

BELOW: Honor guards are chosen from the top-ranked juniors: #1 Northwestern honor guards Kwen Peterson and Vicki Stoltenberg.







ABOVE: The Class of 1998 patiently awaits the moment when their names will be called to walk across the stage to receive that well-earned diploma--which was incorrectly signed but still valid.

RIGHT: Front Row: Graduating with honors are Kara Sparling (highest), Marc Thorson (highest) and Lisa Wagner (honors). Back Row: Barrett Evans (highest), Tarah Steger (honors), Mat Meyer (highest), Mike Larson (highest), Chad Spear (highest) and Travis Bindenagel (honors).



Be What You Are

Being one of the larger classes in the last few years, the seniors are obviously full of diversity, but being put under certain situations can bring them all together. By looking at the red and silver hat and gown combination—one knows that they wanted to end this year with a colorful bang! By glancing at the stage decor, with the shortened motto in abstract letters of silver spray paint and foil—one knows that they did their own thing.

After working hard to earn money for a fabulous, once-in-a-lifetime senior class trip, they realized they hardly had enough money to get out of Mellette. They ended up renting a suite at the Ramkota Inn in

Be What You Are (B Wut UR): That simple phrase says a lot about this class.

Aberdeen and spent Senior Skip Day at Wylie Park and Lee Park Golf Course.

During graduation the band played "Independence Day"--yes! they are finally free! Barrett Evans sang "At the Beginning", and one of the most questionable moments was when Mr. Sauerwein forgot to announce Rob Wedemann's name to receive his diploma. The Class of 1998 has had a blast at Northwestern High School and are wished great success in all future endeavors.

Hats off to you!





ABOVE: Jason Sandquist, who wrote his speech on graduation morning, reminicsed through the good times that the class has shared-memories that they will never forget.



ABOVE: Lisa Wagner said that nobody is a self-made man. Everybody with whom you come in contact and everyone who gives one word of advice to you makes up who you are.

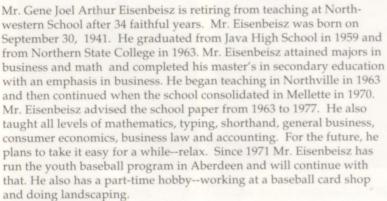


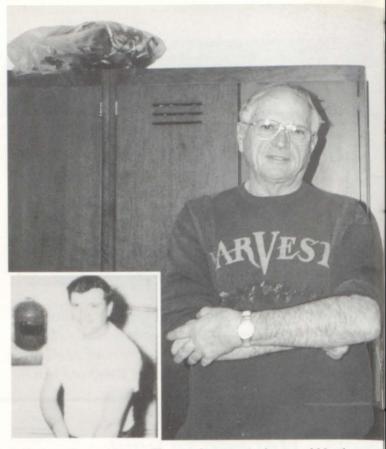
ABOVE: Chad Spear's speechwhich one would never know was just "winged"-included examples of how the class is very unique and quotes from his personal hero, Tom Petty.



ABOVE: Emily Spear thanked her friends and family and encouraged her classmates with words from Dr. Suess', "Oh, The Places You Will Go!"







Cornelius (Connie) James Clemens has positively served Northwestern School for 28 years and will be retiring this year. Connie was born on June 28, 1933. He graduated from Northville High School in 1951 and entered the service for two years where he served in Korea. After returning he lived in Minneapolis, then moved to California for four years. He married Ruth and their first son Bill was born, so they headed back to South Dakota where Connie and Ruth had their last son, Todd. He farmed for a few years but eventually began custodial work at Northville High School in 1969 and continued when the school moved to Mellette in the fall of 1970. Connie comes from a dedicated line of men who have served this school district. Connie's father, Connie himself and his son Bill have all worked in this school district for a number of years. The philosophy that he would like to leave Northwestern is the same as his future plans, simply "keep living."

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Graduates: Front Row: Kara Sparling, Tarah Steger, Carrie Gabel, Rebecca Kraus, Lisa Wagner, Crystal-Lynn Gifford and Karen Franks. Back Row: Eric Borge, Jason Clemens, Tyler Forsyth, Korey Frericks, Mat Meyer, Barrett Evans, Neil Nelson, Mike Larson and Travis Bindenagel. Middle Row: Emily Spear, Jason Sandquist, Josh Muellenberg, Adam Haessig, Brandii Brown, Marc Thorson, Chris Reed, Chad Spear, Daniel Franks, Colin Artz and Robert Wedemann.

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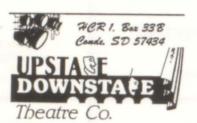
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Chels & Dan-I give my children two things. One is roots and the other is wings. - Mom Congratulations ${\sf Eric}$ and all the seniors. - Mom and Dad

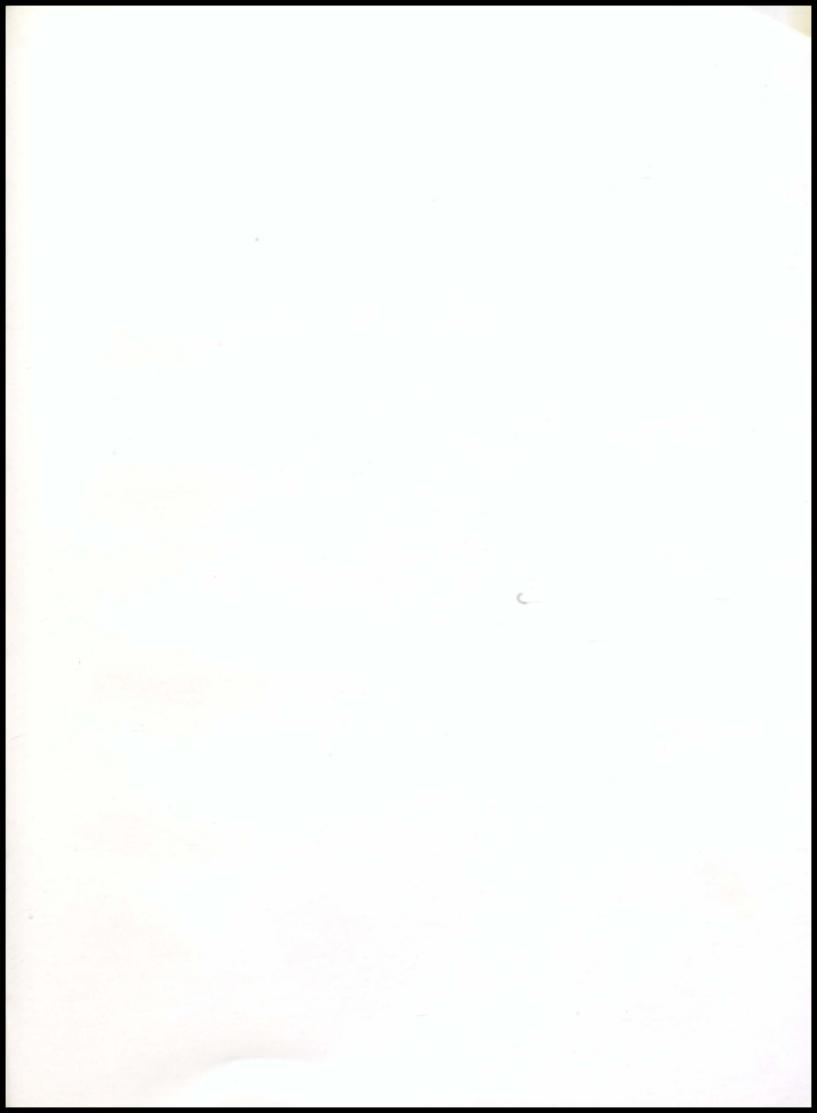
Seniors - Good luck in all your future endeavors. - Michael and Christy Cardella

Different forms of happiness can be created from different things, but if you want happiness for a lifetime, help somebody. - Merle Bomesberger Best of luck to this year's graduating seniors. When you become successful and prominent, don't be afraid to stop by and visit. - Ray Sauerwein Congratulations GBB and VB teams! - John and Susan Hammer

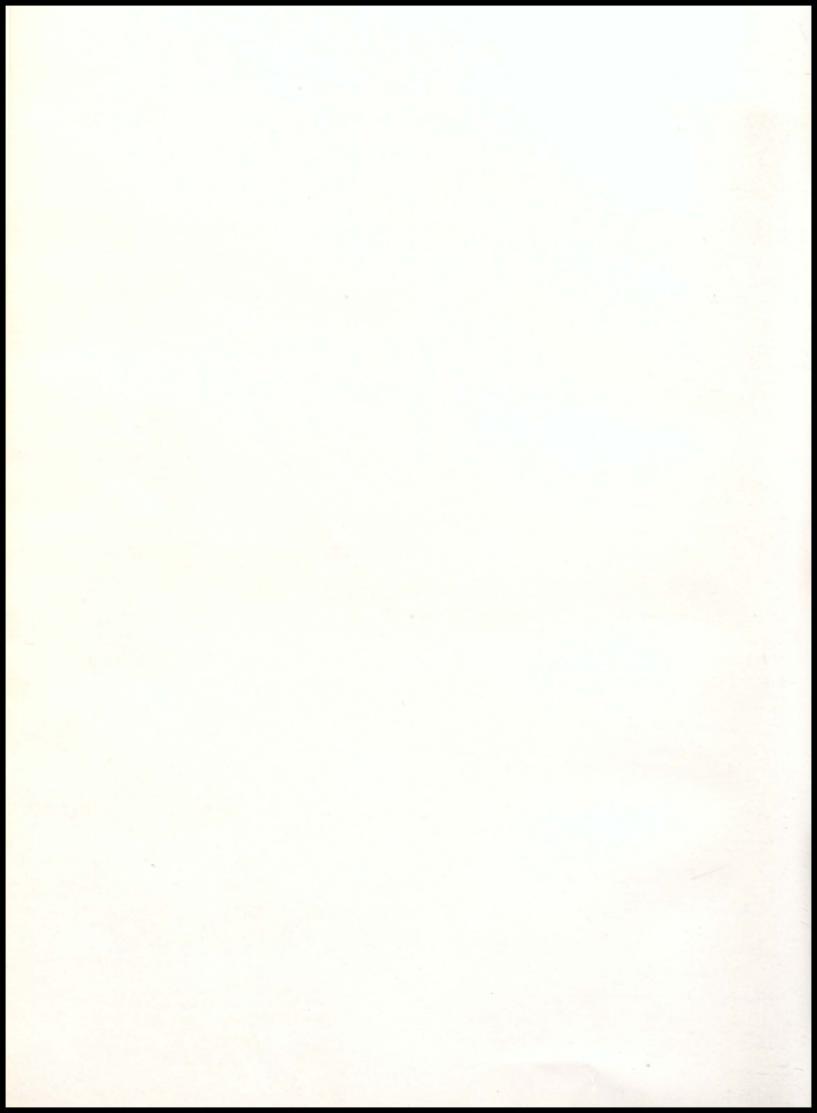
Congratulations to the Northwestern volleyball team and coaches. - Jim and Deb Smith

Congratulations to all the seniors, especially Jason. - Mick and Shirley Clemens To the class of '98 - Seize the day! - Kathy Stuck

Right or wrong; accurate or not, your reputation will precede you. - Paloma Patnode







World Beat

Sports



Science



Entertainment











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

> and centralize government control of education.

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



Hong Kong will continue its Western way of life and free-market economy.

Hong Kong reverts to China at 12:01 a.m., July 1, after 156 years of British colonial rule. China says

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

Jan 1, 2000

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



flash

Montserrat, once called the Emerald Isle of the Caribbean," is devastated by ongoing eruptions from a volcano that had been dormant for 400

years. Two-thirds of the

populace evacuates.

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

Hurricane Pauline slams into Mexico's Pacific coast in October, causing flash floods, landslides and at least 200 fatalities. The resort city of Acapulco is heavily damaged.



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



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



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

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



Reuters/Archive Photo

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

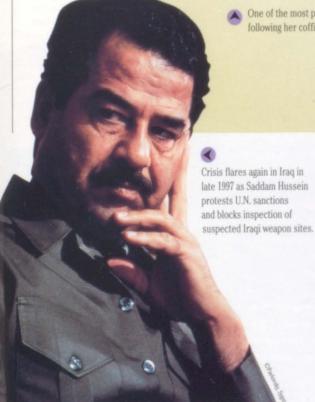
Diana, Princess of Wales, one of the world's most famous and admired women, dies at 36 in a violent car crash in Paris on August 31.



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



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



flash

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

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



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



National

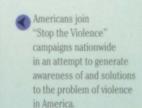


Once-mighty Apple Computer is close to failure when arch-rival Bill Gates of Microsoft "rescues" it with a \$150 million bail-out in August. The event opens a new era of cooperation between formerly fierce competitors.

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









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



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



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



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

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

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



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

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

Arthur Harvey, The Miami Herald



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



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



ORichard Ellis, Sygma



Terry Nichols is found guilty of conspiracy and manslaughter in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Nichols is spared a federal death

sentence in January 1998, but still

faces Oklahoma state charges.

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





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



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

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

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



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

Science

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

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







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

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



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



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

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

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

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



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

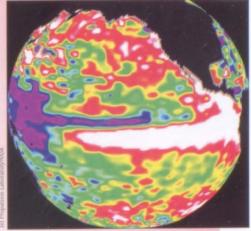
Comet Hale-Bopp captures imaginations worldwide as it streaks past Earth for the first time in 4,200 years—or, since 2203 B.C. Hale-Bopp next returns in 4397.

> In December, 159 nations gather in Kyoto, Japan, and negotiate a climate treaty to combat global warming by

reducing greenhouse gases.



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



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



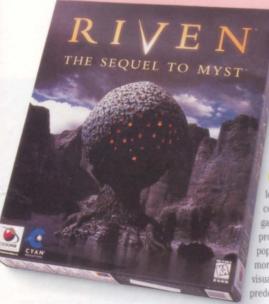


The Food and Drug Administration approves a dental laser for treating cavities. Unlike traditional dental drills, the laser in most cases causes virtually no discomfort.





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



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

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

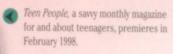
The space shuttle Columbia releases the errant Spartan satellite in November. U.S. astronaut Winston Scott and Takao Doi, the first Japanese astronaut to do a space walk, retrieve the satellite for return to Earth.



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

"The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau.'

Lifestyle





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



DIANA



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

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



This year's look in cosmetics is glimmering, sparkling and colorful. Riding this wave,

cosmetics giant Christian

Dior introduces Mascara

Flash, temporary hair

color in a variety of

outrageous tints.

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

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

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



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

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

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



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



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



Softer Hairstyle

Smaller Chest

Larger Waist-

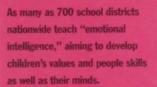
Smaller Hips

After nearly 40 years, Mattel's Barbie doll

takes on a more realistic face and body shape than the Barbie of the '60s. The new doll will begin to appear in stores in early 1998.

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





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



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





Entertainment

The Lost World, Steven
Spielberg's Jurassic Park sequel,
breaks summer box-office

records everywhere. It earns \$229 million in the U.S. ABC's gritty police drama "NYPD Blue" remains one of the most popular one-hour dramas on television in 1997, capturing four Emmy Awards.



Universal Studios, Inc., from Shooting Sta



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





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



Scream 2, the chilling hit sequel to Scream, is a wildly successful mix of carnage and comedy starring Neve Campbell, Jerry O'Connell, Tori Spelling, Jada Pinkett and a host of other stars. In its second season, the WB's campy sitcom "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" blossoms into a huge favorite with many viewers.

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



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

Columbia/Mandalay from the Kobal Collection



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



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

Sacred" and "Teen Angel."



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



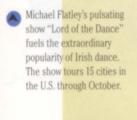
Star Wars captures a new generation of fans when George Lucas re-releases the film trilogy 20 years after the first film was shown. In Washington, D.C., the National Air and Space Museum mounts a huge exhibition of now-historic Star Wars artifacts.







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



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



The sci-fi comedy stars

Will Smith and Tommy

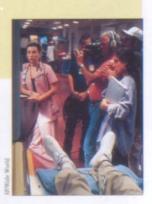
Lee Jones.



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

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



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

Entertainment

Music



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

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



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



O'Tim Movenfelder, Corbis



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



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

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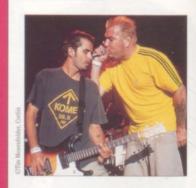
Country music superstar Garth Brooks releases Sevens, his first album in two years. The album sells 800,000 copies the first week.



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

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

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



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

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

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

also tops the charts.

10 million singles.



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



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





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





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



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

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



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

Sports 19 Ws



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

four appearances.

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



defeat the Cleveland Indians in seven games.

The Florida Marlins are baseball's 1997 World Series champs and the first team ever to win the Series without winning its league pennant. The Marlins

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

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





In April 1997, the premier issue of Sports Illustrated Women hits the newsstands. The magazine reflects the explosive growth of

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

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



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



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



female participation in sports.

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



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



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

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



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Detroit Red Wings captain Steve Yzerman powers his team to the 1997 Stanley Čup championship, its first in 42 years, by sweeping the Philadelphia Flyers in

four games.

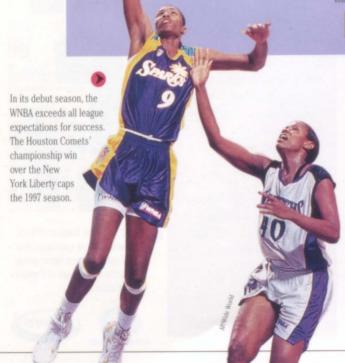


Women officiate in an all-male professional sports league for the first time. The pioneers, Dee Kanter and Violet Palmer, are referees in the NBA.

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



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





Faces

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

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



For the first time, a computer beats a world chess champion when IBM's Deep Blue beats

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



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







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



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



Russian Garry Kasparov in a

six-game match in May 1997.

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

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



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





