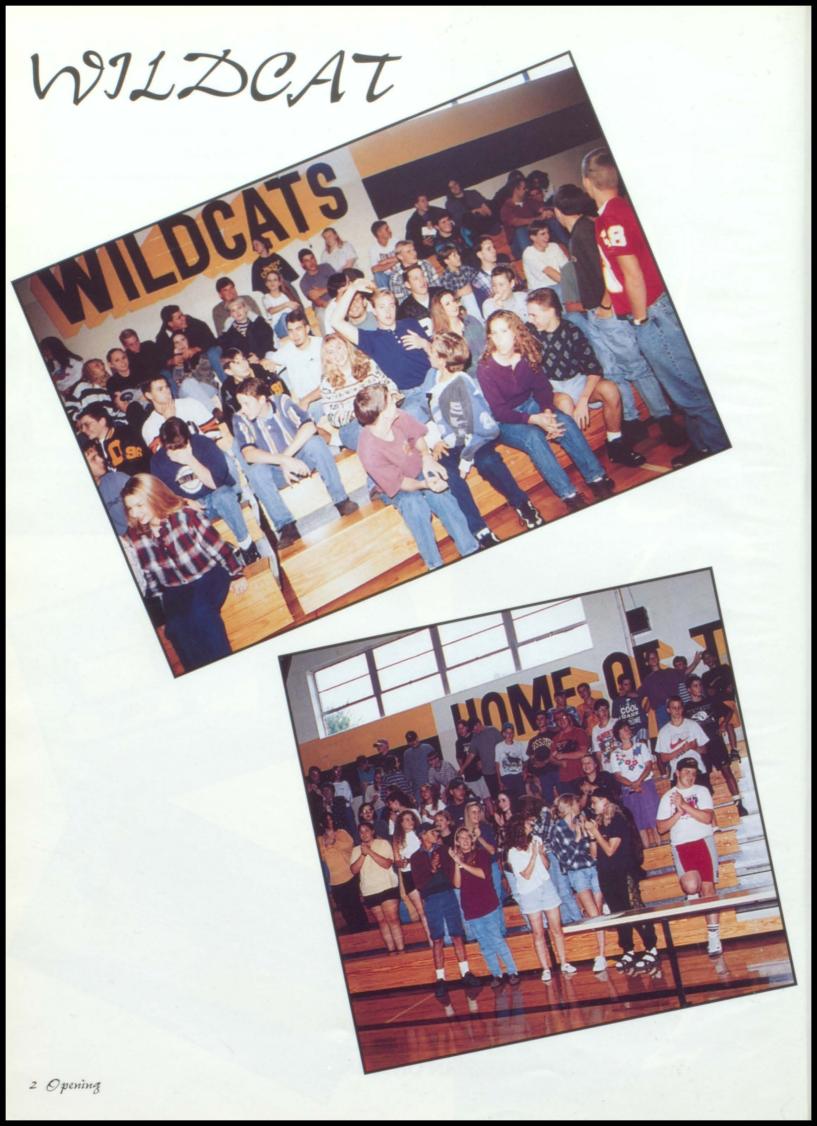


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This year's theme is Wildcat Territory, and what a territory it is. There is something for everyone. The student body has proved to be one of the most diverse ever, made up of several groups including: academic achievers, atheletes, musicans, foreign exchange students, and maybe even a few class clowns. The territory is always changing with the addition of new highways, road names, and people. Enter at you own risk, and be prepared for a good time!

On "Principal's Day, " Mr. Giles was persuaded to check out an unauthorized vehicle on campus -- it turned out to be

Student Life

persuaded to check out an unauthorized vehicle on campus -- it turned out to be his transportation to a surprise lunch hosted by members of Student Council.

Rob Johnson and Dusty Tubbs down cold cans of rootbeer.



After everyone finishes lunch, it's back to the commons area to socialize with friends.

Ryan Felty helps himself to some salsa after making it through the lunch line.

Beau Johnson, Matt Vance, and Genea Hoyer converse during lunch time.











Most students like to spend their lunchbreak outside whenever they get the chance.

Bryan Gunn has the winning hand while playing everyone's favorite card game, spades.





On lunch duty, Donna Dorsey seems to have 180 degree vision to watch students stay out of trouble.



Amber Ward, Diana Cokerham, Tarrah Zar, and Hilary Comer catch up on the latest news.

Lunch Time!

Football Homecoming

Robert Creekmore battles for more yardage while Jimmie McAlister blocks.

Shane Kissel demonstrates school spirit on "Black and Gold Day."



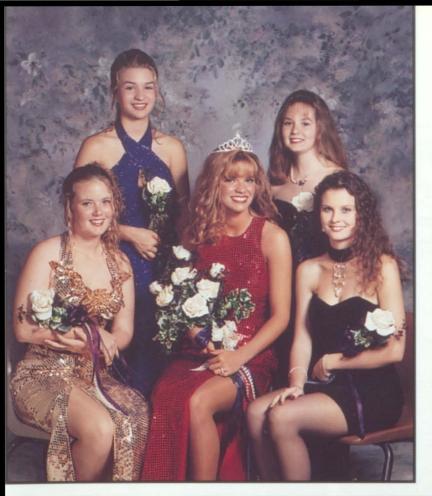


Backed by "undercover spectators," Genea Hoyer is escorted onto the field by John Carter and Mike Shull.



Annah Dannelley, Joyce Judd, and Laura Davis do the hand jive at the dance.





Homecoming royalty: Sarah Long, Crissy Richards, Queen Genea Hoyer, Nicole Brandon, and Angie Plew.

"Hip Hop Hurrah," one of the most popular songs of the year, draws a crowd to the dance floor, courtesy of Ultimate Sound.

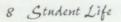


Jennifer Cook, Jayson Harper, and Tarrah Zar sport "Big Hair" during spirit week.





Freshman take to the sidelines for a while during the dance.



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Natalie Modlin takes care of the buffet at Western Sizzlen.

Eric Wynn puts in his time in K-Mart's sporting goods section.





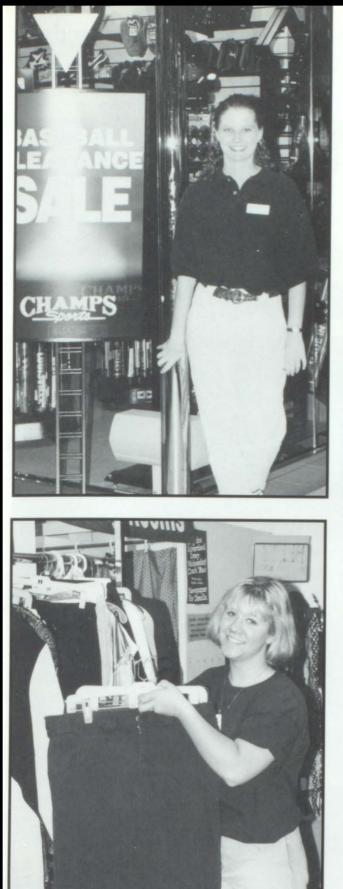






Keith Coffey shelves sacks of potatoes at Food For Less.

Carmen Caylor welcomes diners at St. Louis Bread Co.



Mischa Admire hangs clothing up while working at Name Brand Clothing.

Angie Plew greets customers at the door to Champs.

Josh Addington and Zack Kuhn clean ca at Sparkle after school.





Renea Sanders tells an animated story at Comet Dry Cleaners.

WORK, WORK, WORK!

BASKETBALL HOMECOMING

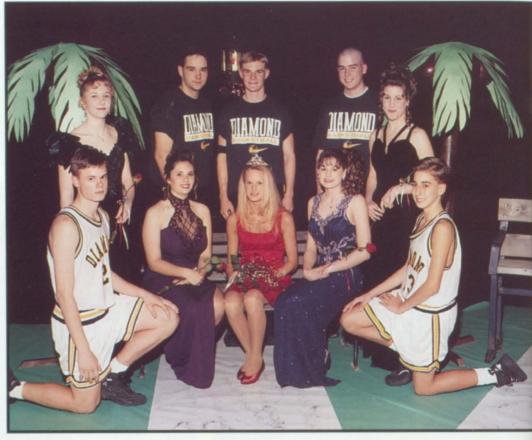
Jerry Douglas joins some of the players who appeared with shaved heads during homecoming week: Ben Crager, Jarrod Newcomb, Jay Davis, Ryan Felty, Dustin Boswell.

Homecoming royalty seated: Jodi Stover, Queen Gretchan Mitchell, Jennifer Cook; standing: Aubrey Powers, Jessica Davis. Escorts: Beau Johnson, Tyler Smith, Logan Kelley, Ryan Bridges, Jay Davis.



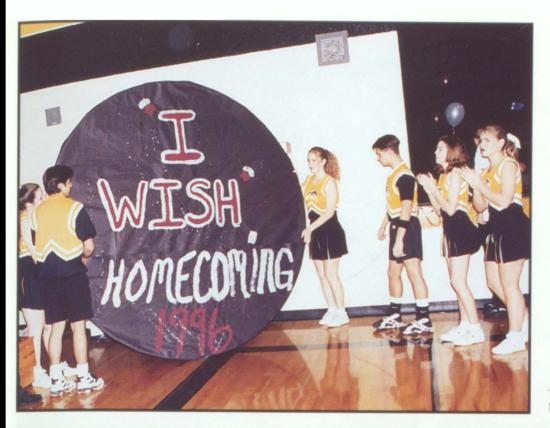
Assistant Coach Rusty McDermott and Coach Bill Presley are in deep thought as they devise strategy.



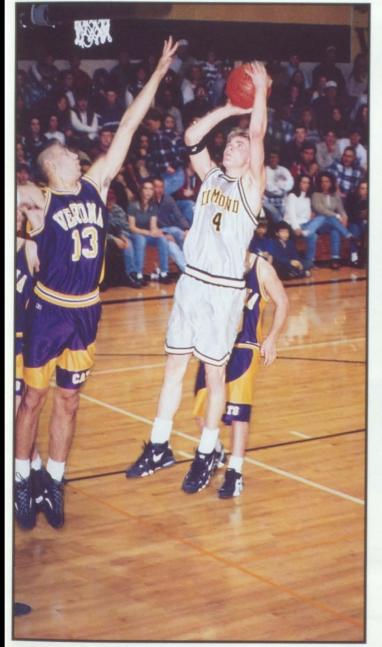


At the Homecoming Dance, couples dance to a slow song.





The cheerleaders hold the spirit ring for the basketball team's entrance.



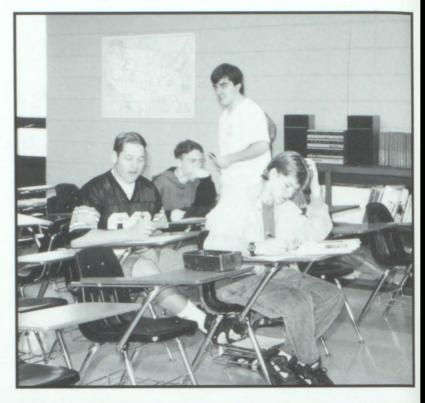


After the game, Jarrod Newcomb, Jay Davis, and Dustin Boswell take a break for pictures before heading over to the dance.

Ryan Bridges goes up for two over Verona's Terry Tuai.



Zack Kuhn, Jeremy Cooper, Trent Mosley, and Jeremy Perry color maps in Ron Mitchel's geography class.

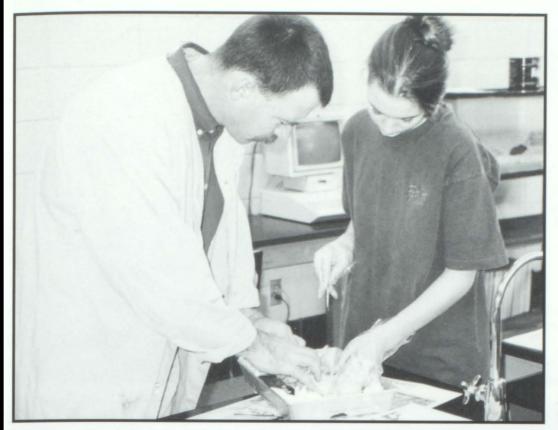




English 101 students are in a deep pre-holiday group discussion.

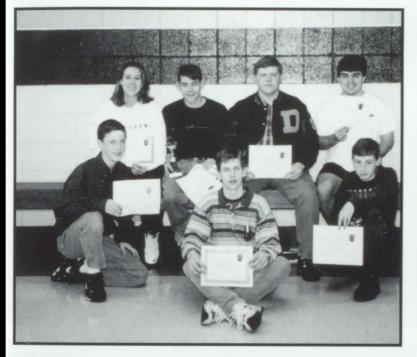
Stacie Pope and Amber Brummet do their Spanish homework





Richard Curran, biology, instructs Amanda Ingram about the process of disection.

Justin Trevino and Ryan Felty conduct a lab experiment.



Science Contest Award Winners: front: Nathan Holbert, Adam Granicz, Ron Neidert; back: Lauren Fennessey, Shane Kissel, Clark Patrick, and Trent Mosley.





PROM '96

"Wonderful Tonight"



Couples wait in line to have prom pictures taken.

Ben Aulick and Stacie Pope dance the night away to an upbeat song.

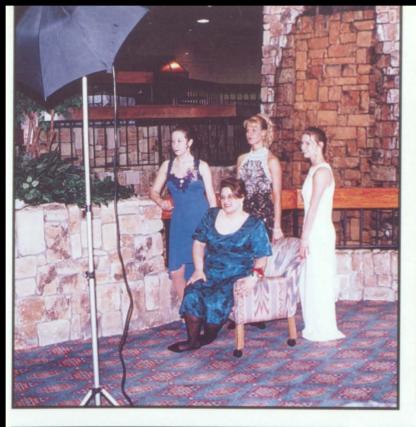




Above right: Just crowned: Queen Stacy Barton and King Tim Long pose for a picture.

Right: Conversation at prom between Nick Hirshey and Kelsi Harris draws different responses.







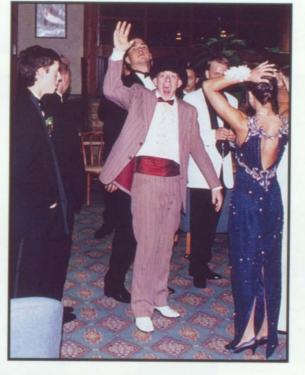
Jackie Body, Jena Ingersol, Meggan Woolever, and Alisha Hall have a group photo made.

Angie Plew and Josh Addington dance among other couples to a slow song.

Crissy Richard's and Robert Creekmore's smiles complement the decor of champagne glasses, confetti, and balloons.

Prom-goers gather to see Matt Briley's "historic" prom attire.





Amanda Ingram, Joeanna Brokob, and Gik Sangratanaprosuk are found listening to the music.





Carmen Caylor, Ben Tandy, Sara Simone, Jamie Loveland, and Josh Davis converse before school.

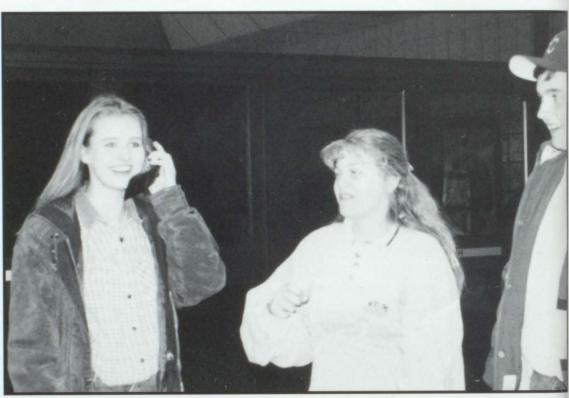


Nick Hirshey, Dustin Boswell, and Shane Kissel chat before heading home.

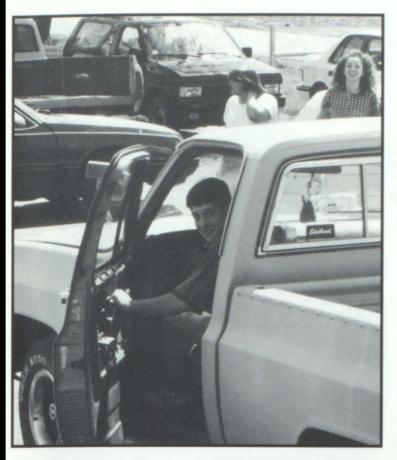
Kristen Bridges borrows Rob Johnson's cellular phone after the Winter Music Contest, while Stacy Barton waits her turn.

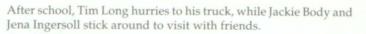
Keith Coffey, Bryan Gunn, James Grube, David Owens, Ben Tandy, Dan Radlund, David Chaney, J.T. Trujillo, and Bobbi Bryan leave on their daily trip to Crowder College for vocational classes.











Brian Trevino and Matt Vance wander the parking lot in search of friends to talk to.





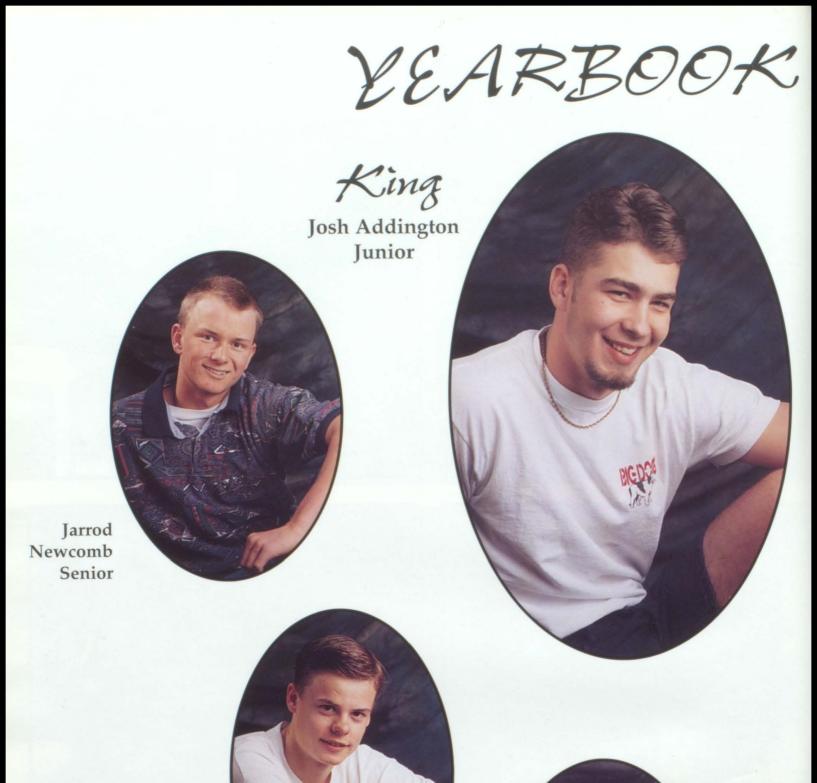
On Valentine's Day, a giant balloon basket bouquet draws a smile from its recipient, Crissy Richards.



Laura Davis, Brandy Thomas, and Jennifer Chituck head out after school.

MEANWHILE ...

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Beau Johnson Sophomore

> Levi Mitchell Freshman

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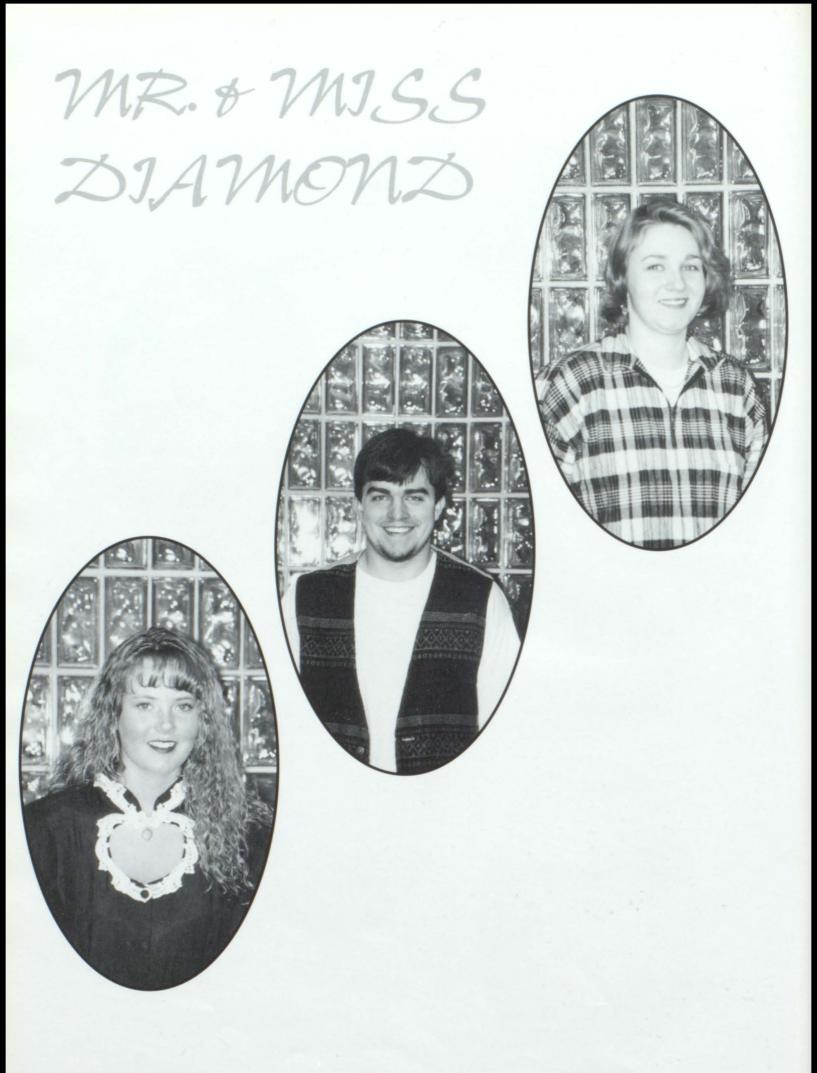
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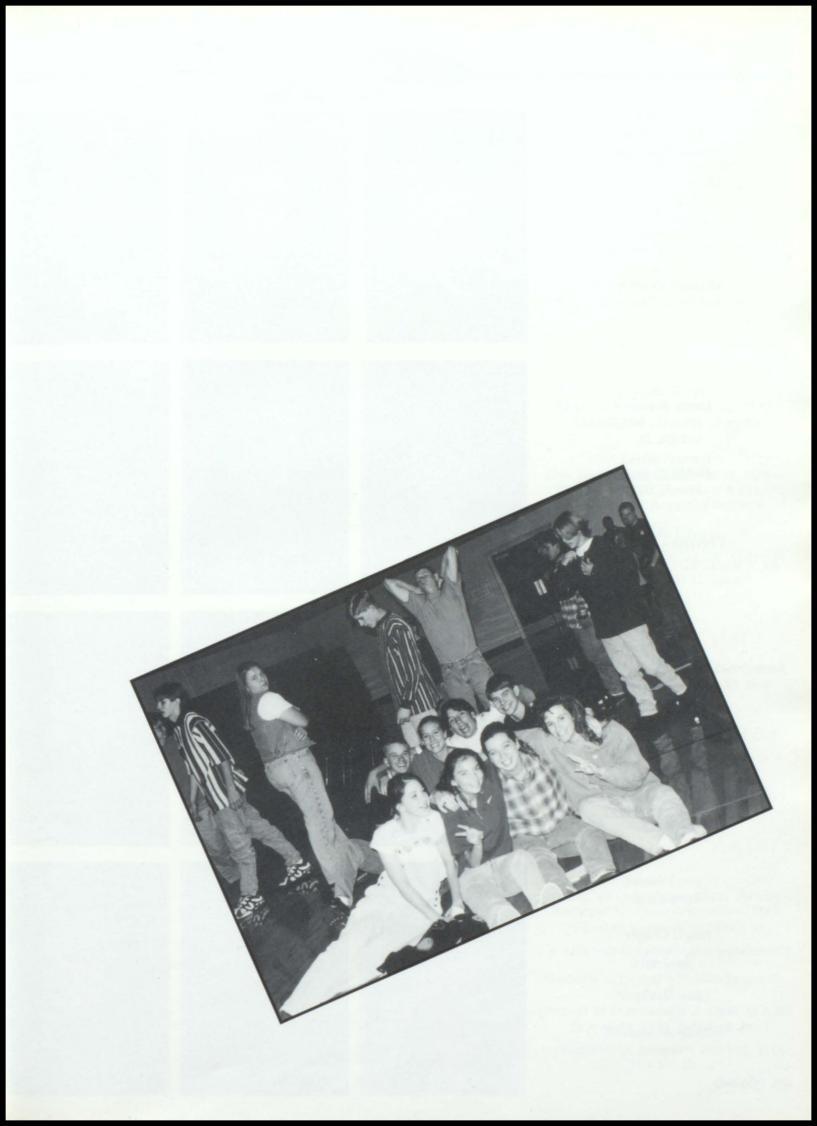
> Lora Housh Junior



Jessica Davis Freshman Carrie Whitehead Sophomore

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SENIORS

Stacy Barton FFA 9-12, Volleyball 9-12, Softball 9-12, Basketball 9-10, Publications 11-12, FBLA 12, FHA 10.

Jackie Body FBLA 12, Publications 11-12, FHA 10, Volleyball 9-10, Softball 9.

> Michael Bradley Baseball 11-12, Football 12.







Jamie Brown Choir 9, FBLA 12, HI-STEP 12, STRIDE 12.

Bobbi Bryan FFA 9-11, FHA 11-12 (V-Pres 12), STRIDE 11-12.

Christina Button FFA 11-12, Band 9-12, FHA 9-12, Choir 11.

John Carter Football 9-12, Baseball 9-12, Weightlifting 9-10, FFA 9-12, FHA 9, HI- STEP 11.

Rachel Cole FHA 10-12 (Officer 12), Show Choir 12, Choir 9, 11-12.

Jennifer Cook Cheerleading 10-12, Softball 11-12, FHA 9, FFA 11.

Rory Corp

Janell Crager Cheerleading 9-12, Softball 11-12, FHA 9, FFA 11.

Jay Davis FBLA 12, StuCo 9, Baseball 9, 11-12, Football 11-12, Basketball 11-12, Choir 9, 12.



















SENIORS







Adam Granicz English Club 9-11, Soccer 9-11, Science Club 9-11, Math Club 9-11, Programming Club 9-11, Swimming 9-11.

James Grube

Bryan Gunn FFA 11-12, Vo-Tech 11-12.

Jayson Harper FFA 9, 12, Baseball 10-12, Football 11-12, Cheerleading 12, Weightlifting 10.

Leslie Harrell Math League 10-12, HI-STEP 10-12, Softball 9-12, Volleyball 9-11, Basketball 9, FBLA12, Publications 11, Choir 12, Class Sec 9.

Brenda Isley FBLA 11-12, FBLA (Sec.12), Academic Quiz Team 11-12, NFL 9-10, Math League 12, HI-STEP 12, STRIDE 11-12, Choir 9.

Rob Johnson FFA 9-12 (Officer 10- 12), Football 11-12, Baseball 10, HI-STEP 12.

Logan Kelley Basketball 9-12, Baseball 9-10, 12, Choir 11-12 (Pres. 12), FFA 12.

Brian Little Band 9-10, 12, Show Choir 12, Drama 12, Vo-Tech 11, FFA 9.

Sarah Long NHS 12, FFA 9-12 (Officer 10-12), FHA 10, Cheerleader 12, Academic Quiz Team 11-12, Stu Co 9-11, Volleyball 9-10, FBLA 12.

Tim Long Baseball 9-12, Football 9-12, Math League 12, Weightlifting 9-11.

Jimmie McAlister Football 9-10, 12, Baseball 9, FFA 9-12, FHA 12, Choir 12.

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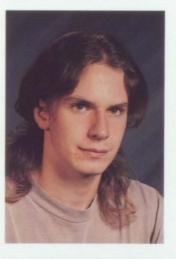


















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Dr. Jim Pyron Jim Waddell Biff Beckett

Paul Holland, Jr. Bruce Youngblood Dale Bradley Mike Navarro

Seniors Sing Sadly

GRADUATION

Graduates await the slide presentation at the graduation ceremonies.



Left: Salutatorian, Jessica Whitehead; center: Co-Valedictorian Jacob Meadows; right: Co-Valedictorian Trent Mosley.







DIAMOND HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS OF 1996

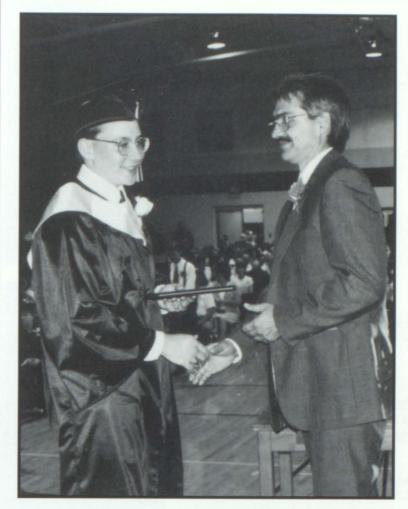
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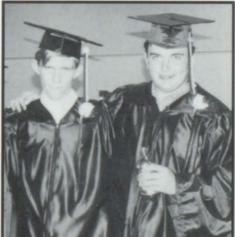
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Mr. Bill Presley		Sponsor
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Jason Navarro receives his diploma from his father, school board member Mike Navarro.









"String" followed the presentation of the Class of '96.

Far Left: Ben Tandy receives his diploma from Dr. Jim Pyron, president of the school board.

Left: Rob Johnson and Cliff Steele pause for a moment before the gradation ceremonies.

SENIORS

Jacob Meadows NFL 9-12, Drama 9-12, Academic Quiz Team 10-12, Math League 10-11, FBLA 10, 12, Show Choir 10, Baseball 10, NHS 11-12.

Shawna Moore

FBLA 9-12, NFL 9-12, Academic Quiz Team 11-12, Math League 12, STRIDE 11-12, NHS 12, Choir 9.

Brian Moser

Cross Country 9-12, Basketball 9-12, Baseball 9-12, StuCo 9-12 (V-Pres. 12), FBLA 10-12, Choir 12.

Trent Mosley

Baseball 9-12, Academic Quiz Team 11-12, Math League 10-11, StuCo 12, HI-STEP 10-12, STRIDE 11-12, NHS 11-12, Basketball 9.

Jason Navarro

FBLA 9-12, Publications 11-12, NHS 12, StuCo 12, Academic Quiz Team 10-12, Math League 10-11, FHA 10, Baseball Mgr. 11-12.

Jarrod Newcomb

Basketball 9-12, Baseball 9-12, StuCo 9-11, FBLA 9-10, HI-STEP 10-12, Choir 12 (V-Pres. 12), Cross Country 9, Prom Committee 11.

David Owens

Angie Plew Basketball 9, Track 9, Class Sec.11, StuCo 12, FBLA 12, Drama 9-11, Publications 11,

> Sorraya Sangratanaprosuk Math League 12





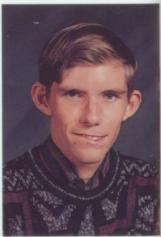














STRIDE 12.

George Sarson Football 12, Baseball Mgr. 9

Jason Smith Football 9, 12; Baseball 11-12

Cliff Steele Wood Tech 9, Vo-Tech 10-11, Art 12, Track 9

SENIORS







Gina Stoops FBLA 12, Band 9

Jodi Stover

Michelle Summers







Benj Tandy

Justin Trevino

Anna Vance Publications 11-12, Choir 9-10, 12, Band 9-12, Show Choir 9-11.





Jessica Whitehead FBLA 10-12 (Treas. 11), NFL 9-12, Academic Quiz Team 11-12, Math League 11-12, NHS 11-12, STRIDE 11-12, One-Act Play 11-12, Band 9.

Tarrah Zar FBLA 9-12, HI-STEP 10-11, StuCo 11, Choir 10, 12, FFA 10, Art 9.

Class Officers: front: Angie Plew, Girl's Rep.; Jennifer Cook, Sec.; Stacy Barton, Treas.; back: Trent Mosley, Pres.; Jason Navarro, Boy's Rep.

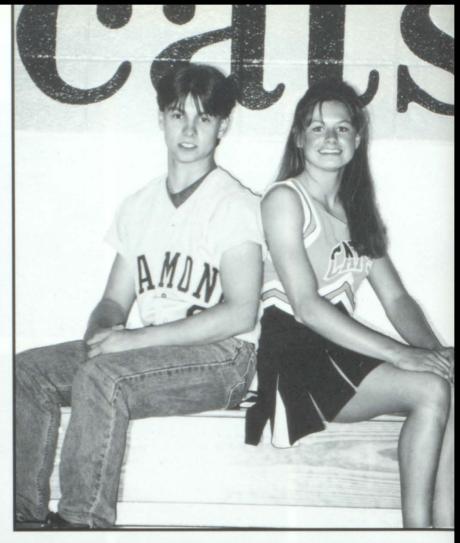


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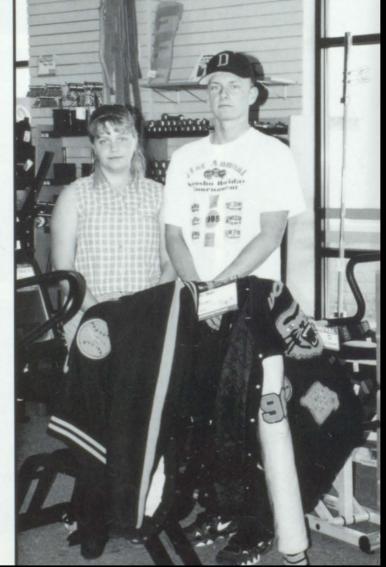
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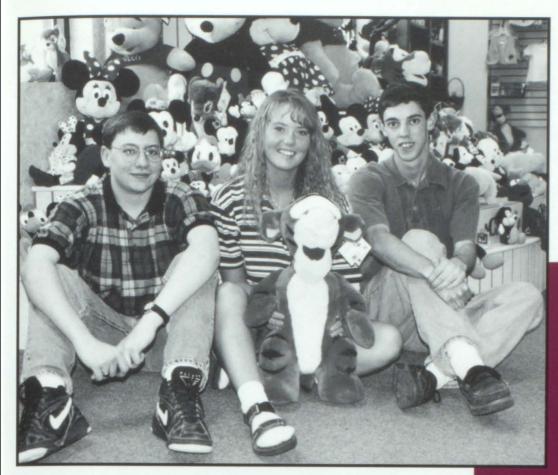
Most School Spirit: Jayson Harper, Jennifer Cook Most Scholarly: Jessica Whitehead, Trent Mosley





Most Athletic: Stacy Barton, Jarrod Newcomb





Best Personality: Jason Navarro, Sarah Long, Brian Moser

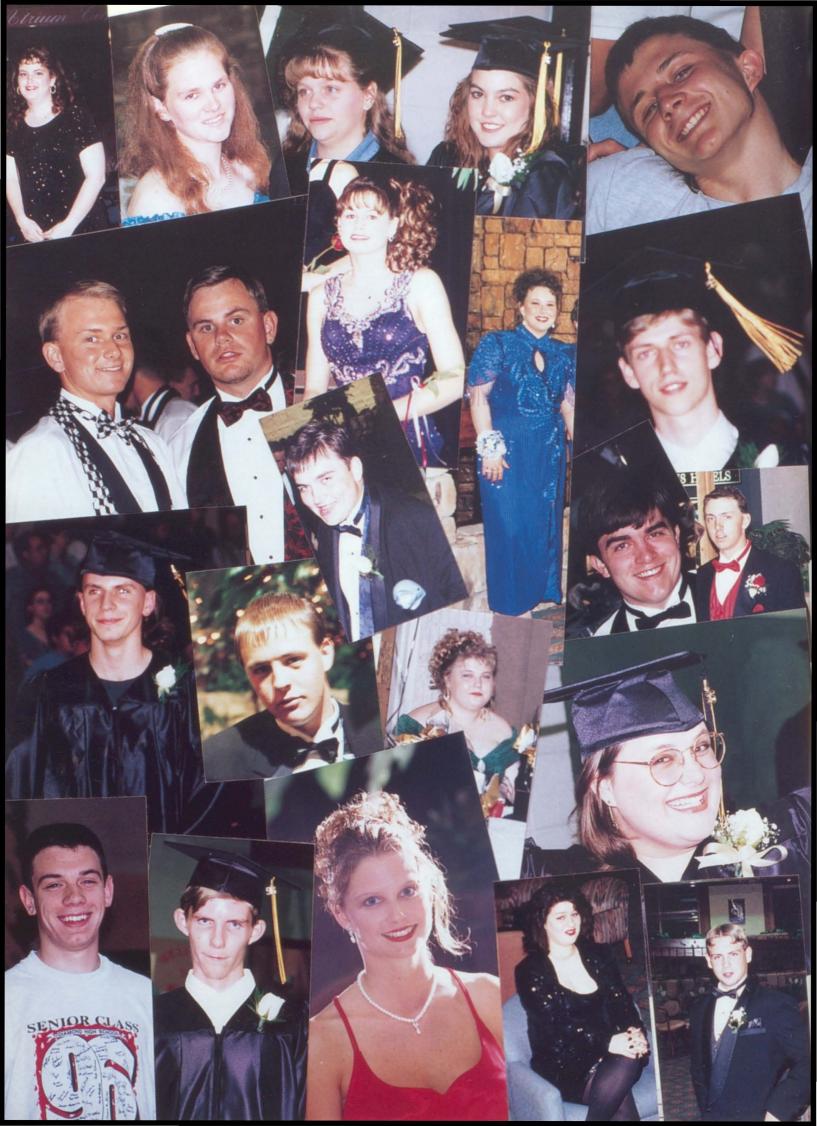
Most Talented: Brian Little, Rachel Cole

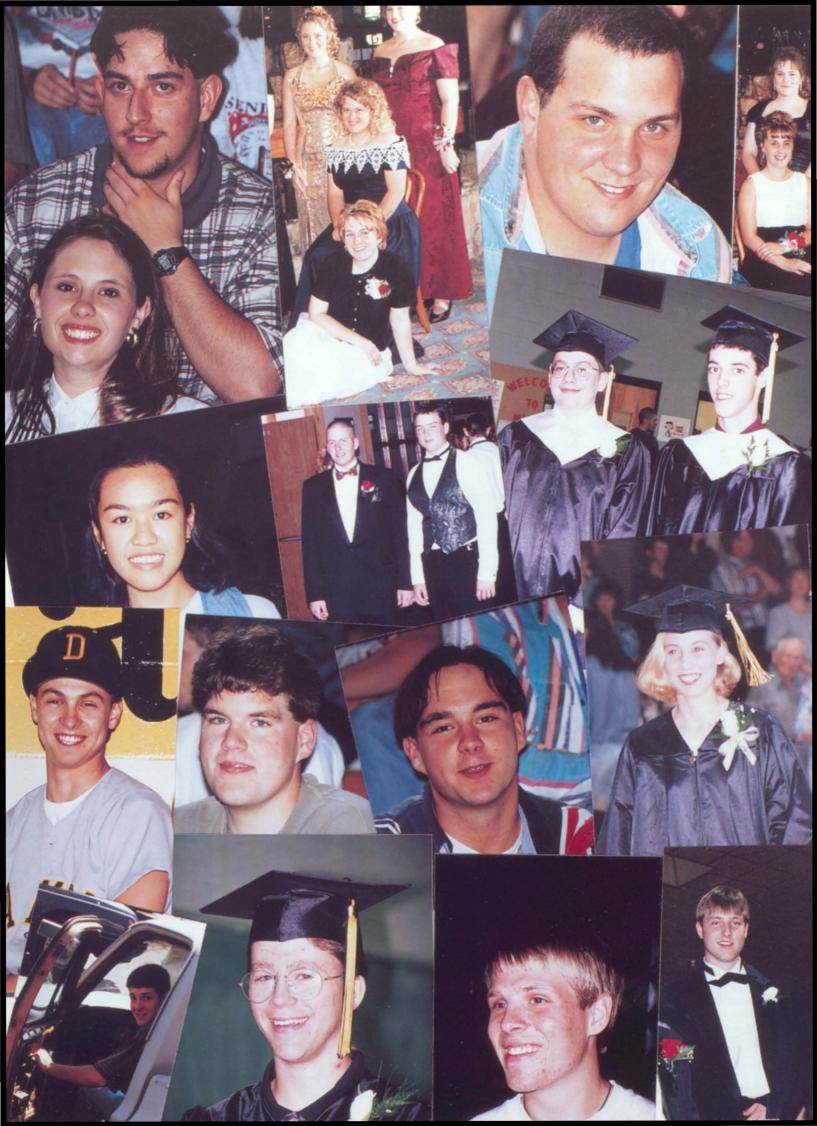




Best Dr<mark>essed:</mark> Logan Kelley, Tarrah Zar

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PROJECT GRADUATION

Logan Kelley, Justin Trevino, and Rob Johnson take time out to sit and relax.

Shawna Moore and Adam Granicz watch the activities.







Jacob Meadows records the scores while Brian Moser sits and watches the game.

Brenda Isley and Jessica Whitehead wait their turn to bowl.







Hold on to your dreams Ask questions Plan to succeed Proceed with confidence Invest in the right attitude Never stop believing Enjoy the detours Save time for little things Share a smile everyday Cove, Mom, Dad, Wendy, and Ben

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Love, Mom







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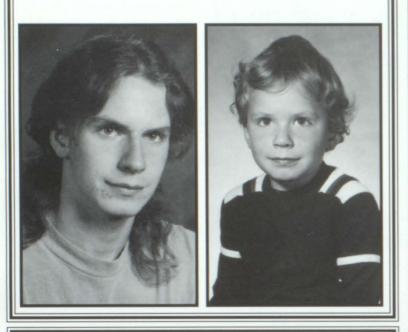


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Parents & Patrons 33

Brian,

Congratulations! We are so proud of you and wish you the very best in your future. Love, Mom & Dad



Christina, We have had a lot of obstacles in our way to overcome, but we have made it. I am so very proud of you and your Dad would be, too. This is just one of so many milestones you will accomplish. May God continue to guide you.





Jason: Congratulations!





As you continue your future education, we wish you all the success and accomplishments of your past that has made us so proud of you. We wish you all the best in the future. May God bless and keep you safe wherever life leads you. With love always,

Dad, Mom, & Brian





Janell, It's your day to enjoy yesterday's memories, Bask in today's joys, And dream tomorrow's dreams! Love, Mom, Arthur, Ben, Joey, Emily

34 Parent Ads



Jennifer,

You have made many strides and accomplishments in this short step of life for which we are so proud.

Love, Mom & Dad

Brian, you have been a special gift sent from heaven to us all. Thank you for sharing your life with us. Your family has and always will be behind you, no matter what life may bring. Please remember how very special you are and how much we all love you.

Dad, Mom, Tracy, Robin, & Brent





Good Luck, Stacy --



May all your dreams come true!

Love from Mom & Dad





Jarrah,

This is a special time for all of us -- no more kindergarden tears. Book out world, here she comes! May God bless you always,

Love, Mom, Dad, Chris, Marty, Iodd, Susan, Madison, MacKenzie, Grams & Gramps

JUNIORS

Officers: front: Kristen Bridges, V-Pres.; Will Bridges, Boy's Rep.; Heather Olson, Girl's Rep.; back: Joeanna Brokob, Sec.; Stacie Pope, Pres.

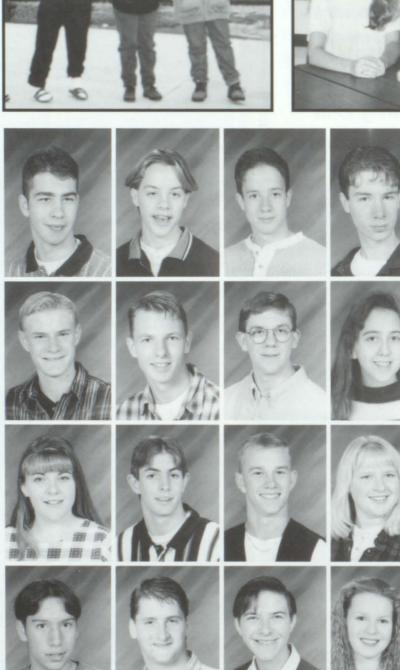
Three of the early risers at the "See You At The Pole" gathering were Amanda Ingram, Kary Davenport, and Annah Dannelley.



Ryan Bridges Will Bridges Matt Briley Joeanna Brokob Amber Brummett Carmen Caylor

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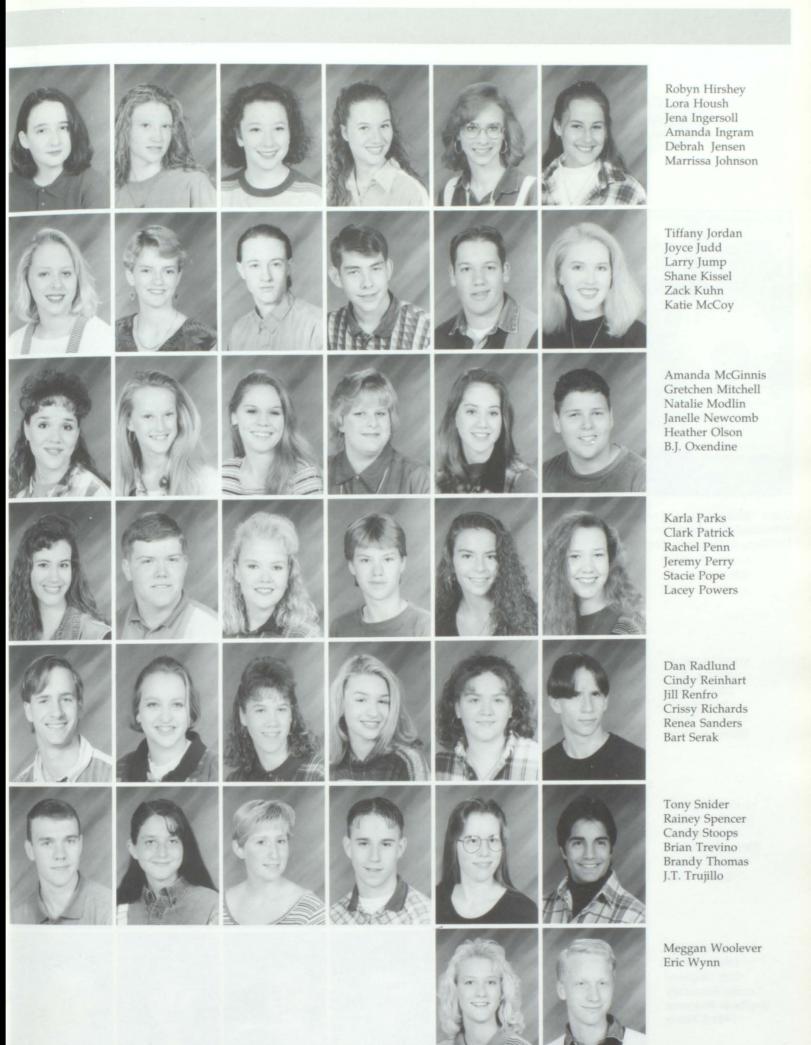








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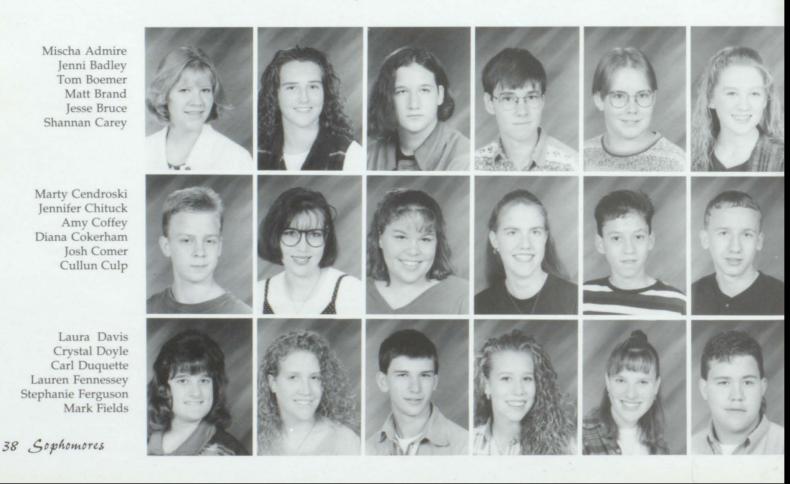


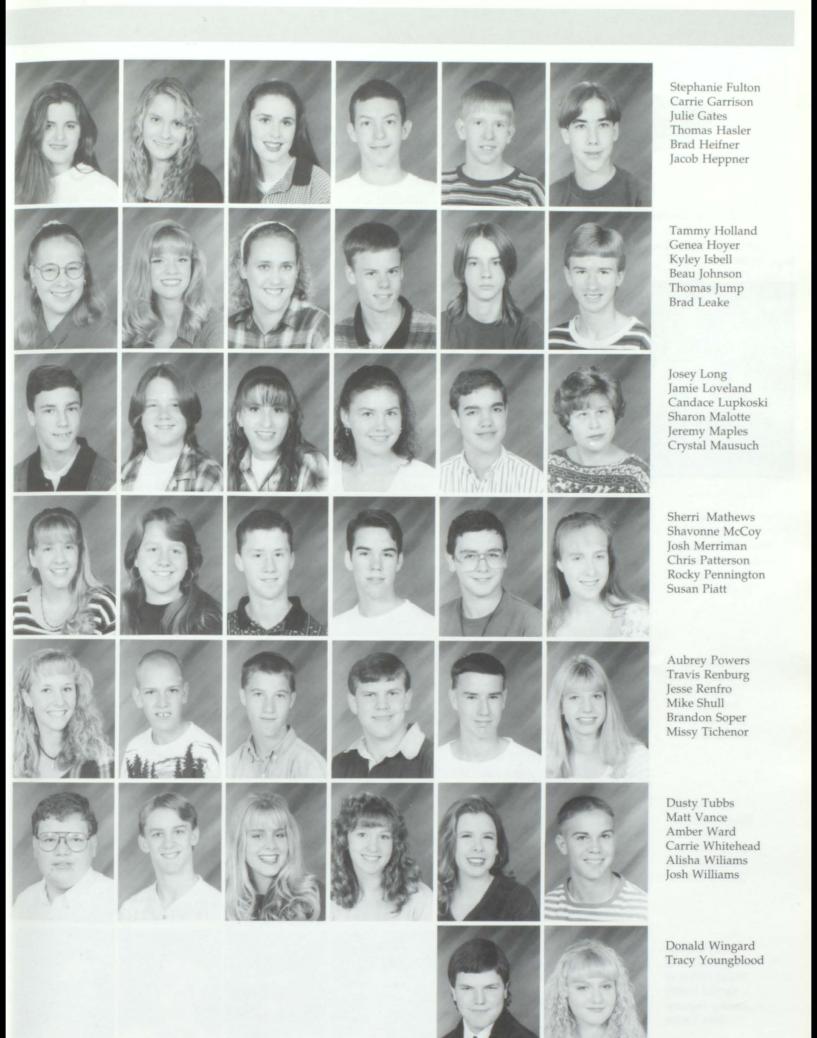


Class Officers: front: Tracy Youngblood, Treas.; Carrie Whitehead, Sec.; Stephanie Fulton, V-Pres; back: Jenni Badley, Girl Rep.; Cullun Culp, Boy Rep; Lauren Fennessey, Pres.



An annual event for the sophomores is the selection of class rings. Looking over brocheurs and samples, the group listens to a presentation by the Balfour representative.







Freshmen take time to converse during lunch hour.

Class Officers: Jason Brown, Boy's Rep.; Jessica Davis, Girl's Rep.; Tyler Smith, Pres.





Tim Admire Matt Alford Cindy Baker Amber Beyersdorfer Nicole Brandon Dorothy Brown

Jason Brown Wendy Bryan Linda Bullette Rori Bullis Stephen Busse Stephenie Busse

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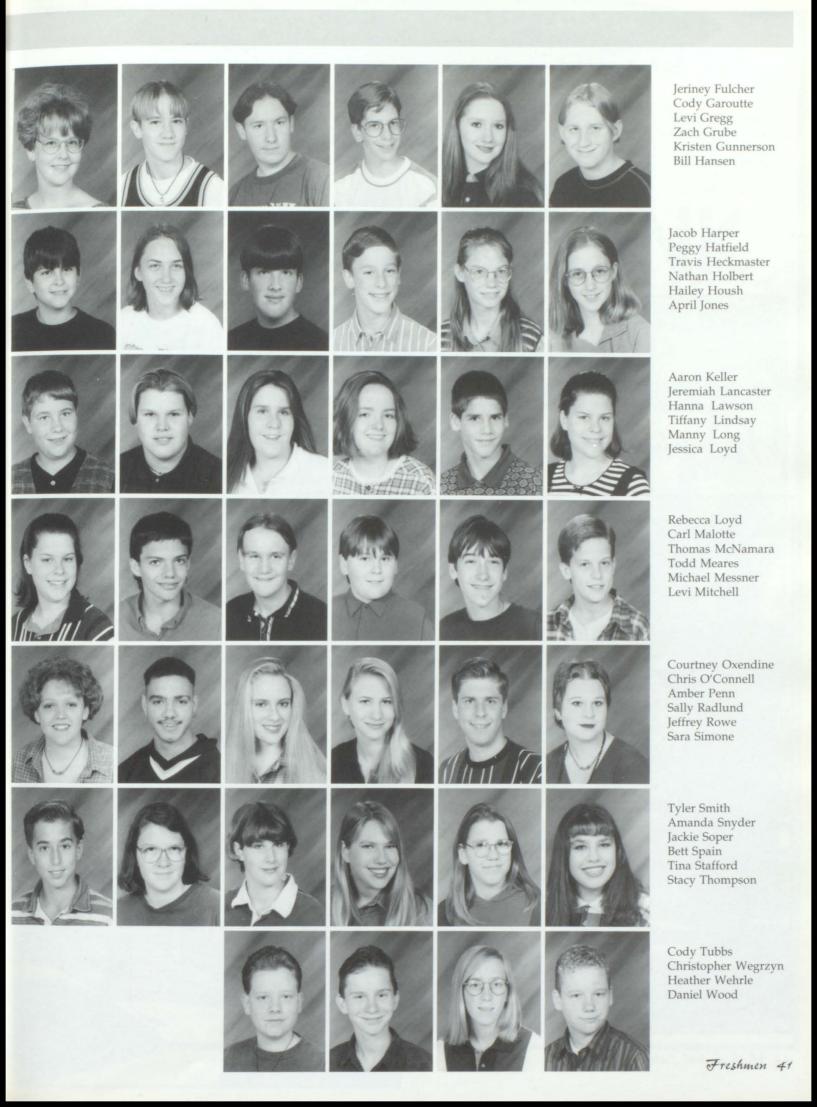












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David Chaney, 10 Jeremy Cooper, 10 Dustin DeBoer, 10 Cameron Garoutte, 9 Peter Haak, 10 Ron Neidert, 9

Wade Rogers, 9 Angela Stafford, 10 Dewey Swofford, 10 Melissa Swofford, 10 Chris Worden, 11

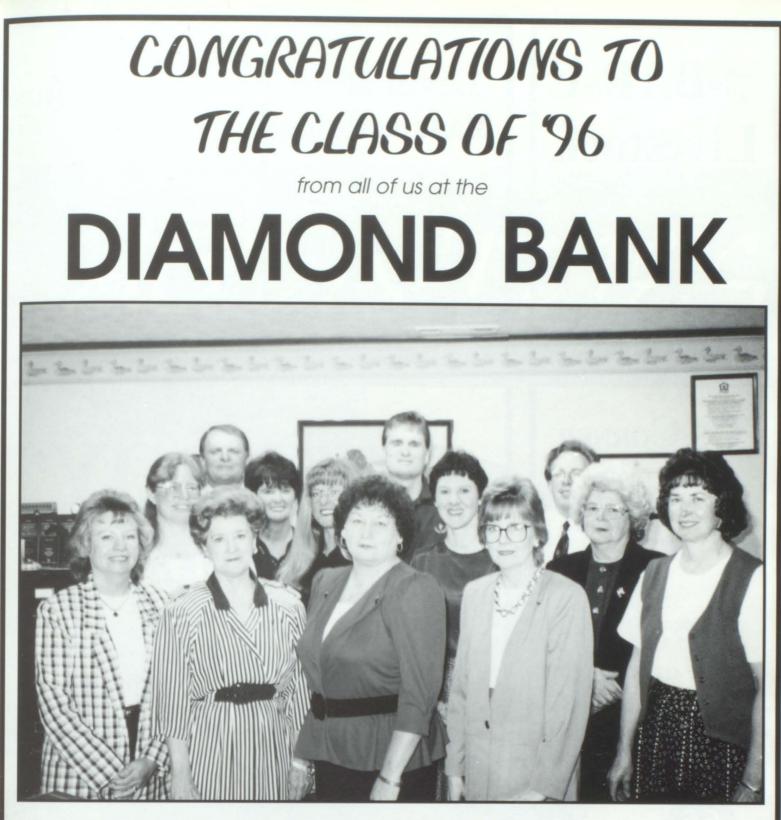


Murphy's One Stop



42 High School Laters / Patrons





Front: Carie Housh, Sue Macy, Jo Morgan, Sandy Springer, Leyla Whitson; middle: Pam Finley, Lisa Mitchell, Vicki Vannaman, Louise Housh; back: Gene Hoyer, Cheryl Hoyer, Chris Hoyer, Ryan Springer.

Gene Hoyer, President

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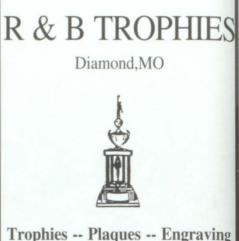
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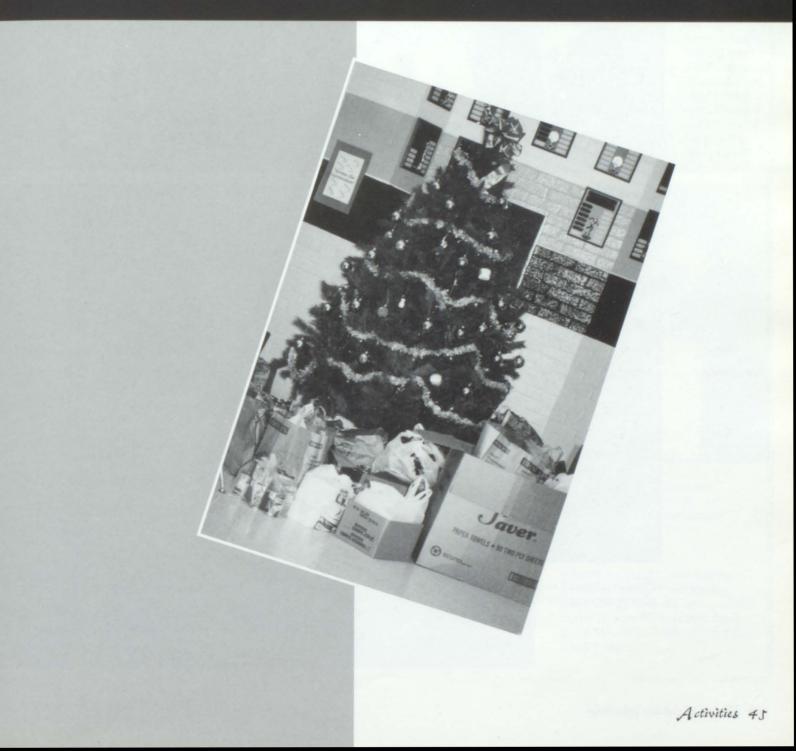


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ACTIVITIES







Seniors wear their pendants for the first time: front: Trent Mosley, Jacob Meadows, Jason Navarro, Brian Moser; back: Shawna Moore, Jessica Whitehead, Sarah Long.



Chapter advisor Larry Doennig congratulates Jason Navarro after presenting him with the senior pendant.



Shawna Moore accepts the honor society certificate.



Carrie Whitehead receives her pin. Traditionally, parents are asked to do the honors in recognition of their importance in the lives of their children.

New members prepare to recite the honor society pledge to uphold the standards of NHS.







Jessica Whitehead gives her speech about Scholarship, one of the four qualities necessary in National Honor Society members.

1995-96 National Honor Society members: front: Trent Mosley, Sarah Long, Jason Navarro; middle: Lacey Powers, Kelsi Harris; back: Jacob Meadows, Jessica Whitehead, Clark Patrick.

ACADEMIC TEAMS



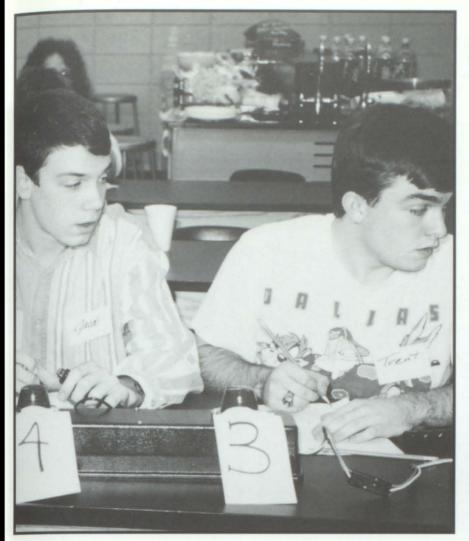
Academic Quiz Team: front: Adam Granicz, Jessica Whitehead, Trent Mosley, Brenda Isley, Jacob Meadows, Shawna Moore, Jason Navarro, Sarah Long; back: Jenni Badley, Cullun Culp, Kelsi Harris, Clark Patrick, Kristen Bridges, Josh Merriman, Lauren Fennessey.



Quiz Team members make their own personalized name tags, as demonstrated by Carrie Whitehead, Lauren Fennessey, Jessica Whitehead, Shawna Moore, Brenda Isley, and Mischa Admire.



Carrie Whitehead and Cullun Culp look for the answer for a mat problem, while Kristen Bridges, Lauren Fennessey, and Matt Vance wait their turn.



Jacob Meadows and Trent Mosley consult with their teammates before answering a bonus question during a match.

Jessica Whitehead represents the Senor class at the Academic Challenge during National Education Week.



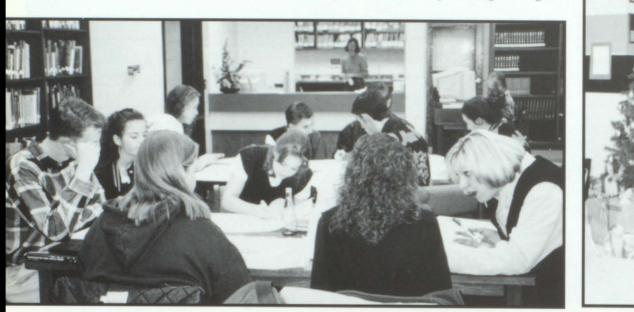


Math League: front: Adam Granicz, Gik Sangratanaprosuk, Jessica Whitehead, Brenda Isley, Shawna Moore, Leslie Harrell, Tim Long; second: Tony Snider, Ryan Bridges, Clark Patrick, Lacey Powers, Kelsi Harris, Kristen Bridges, Hilary Comer; back: Jenni Badley, Kyley Isbell, Shannan Carey, Cullun Culp, Josh Merriman, Josey Long.

STUZENT COUNCIL

The annual canned food drive fills the space below the Christmas Tree.

Several Student Council members prepare posters at their early morning meeting.





Stacie Pope and Kelsi Harris hand out ballots for an upcoming election.



Jason Brown counts and sorts canned goods for distribution at the annual food drive.

Student Council members: front: Brian Moser, Kelsi Harris, Aubrey Powers; middle: Jason Navarro, Angie Plew, Trent Mosley, Stacie Pope, Heather Olson, Will Bridges; back: Jenni Badley, Cullun Culp, Lauren Fennessey, Tyler Smith, Jason Brown, Jessica Davis.



Heather Olson holds the hat as Coleen Michael draws the winning number at the teachers' breakfast.





Kelsi Harris serves juice to faculty members Peggy Bogle, Larry Doennig, and substitute teacher Marilyn Young at the staff breakfast.

At the student council Christmas dance, King Jayson Harper dances with Queen Jenni Badley, who doubled as Santa.

Selecting photos for the yearbook is a time-consuming process for Amanda Ingram, Amanda McGinnis, and Crissy Richards.

Will Bridges, Stacy Barton, and Jena Ingersoll participate in a summer yearbook camp at Kimberling City.







Jason Bogue searches for a cross country picture which will show the endurance required in long distance running.



Kristen Bridges distributes prizes to students who bought yearbooks during the first week of sales.



PUBLICATIONS



Jackie Body and Jena Ingersoll corral the balloons for the "Great Balloon Bust."





Jason Navarro sells a yearbook to Ben Crager.

Joeanna Brokob and Lacey Powers choose pictures with the clearest focus to use in the yearbook.

The staff shows style-conscious "South Central" savoir faire.



MUSIC

Show Choir members perform "Fathoms Below" from the Disney movie "The Little Mermaid": J.T. Trujillo, Jeff Rowe, Josh Davis, Brian Little, Jeremy Maples.

The choir performs "Let It Snow, Let It Snow" at the Winter Concert: front: Joeanna Brokob, Joyce Judd, Natalie Modlin, Janell Crager, Rebecca Loyd, Leslie Harrell, Anna Vance, Jessica Loyd, Cindy Reinhart; middle: Amber Beyersdorfer, Stephanie Fulton, Marrissa Johnson, Jennifer Cook, Tarrah Zar, Diana Cokerham, Kyley Isbell, Janelle Newcomb, Rachel Cole, Katie McCoy; back: Rocky Pennington, Brian Moser, Josh Merriman, Jarrod Newcomb, Jay Davis, Logan Kelley, Tim Long, B.J. Oxendine, Clark Patrick, Josh Comer.





Candy Stoops sings a solo at the Fall Concert.

Lacey Powers, April Jones, and Anna Vance read their music as they play before a pep assembly.







Brian Little keeps the beat at a high school pep assembly.

Jeriney Fulcher and April Jones show their talent on the flute at the Fall Concert.









The choir sings "Winter Wonderland" at Silver Dollar City.

Show Choir girls perform "Kiss the Girl" from the Disney movie "The Little Mermaid": Rachel Cole, Stephanie Busse, Renea Sanders, Lacey Powers, Aubrey Powers.

Band members Matt Alford and Josh Comer perform at the Veterans' Day assembly.

NFL

The cast of the all-school play, "Perils of Lu Lu": front: Thomas Hasler (Gorrilla), Jacob Meadows, Jessica Whitehead; middle: Stephanie Fulton, Eric Wynn; back: April Jones, Tim Admire, Tom Boemer, Mischa Admire, Nicole Brandon, Robyn Hirshey, Joeanna Brokob, Lacey Powers, Matt Briley, Brian Little.

Renea Sanders and Brandy Thomas double check the trophies before the awards assembly at the Diamond speech tournament.

Matt Briley portrays a Happy Hippy in "The Perils of Lu Lu".





Mischa Admire, Lacey Powers, Nicole Brandon, and Amanda Ingram find that, at speech tournaments, the judges' table is always one of the busiest places.

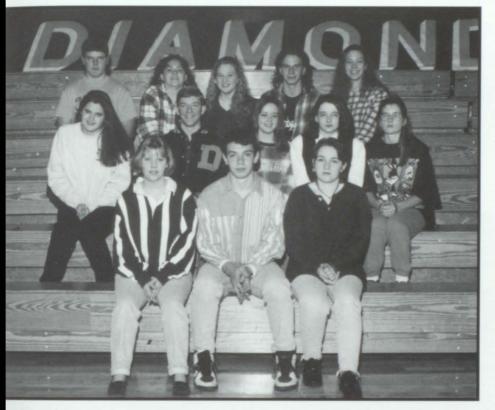






Robyn Hirshey, Jacob Meadows, and Jessica Whitehead have to do the best they can to forget the past and deal with the future in the dramatic one-act play, "All My Sons."





Allene. Miller (drama coach), Eric Wynn, Jessica Whitehead, Jacob Meadows, Carrie Whitehead, and Robyn Hirshey prepare for the one-act play. The make-up has to be just right so that the actors look their parts.

National Forensic League: front: Mischa Admire (Sec-Treas), Jacob Meadows (Pres), Jessica Whitehead (V-Pres); middle: Stephanie Fulton, Matt Briley, Nicole Brandon, Robyn Hirshey, Brandy Thomas; back: Donald Wingard, Renea Sanders, Shannan Carey, Brian Little, Lacey Powers.



To break up or not to break up, that is the question in this confusing comedy about love and relationships. John Carter, Carrie Garrison, Shavonne McCoy, and Marty Cendroski have a lot of laughs in "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do."

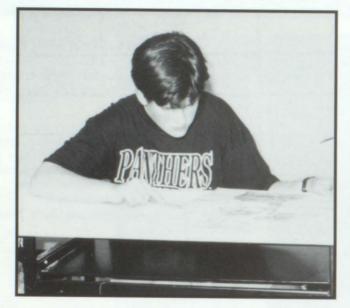


Katie McCoy, Cindy Reinhart, Keith Coffey, Courtney Oxendine, and Amos Ellison work on their clay pottery projects.

Below right: Manny Long and Nathan Holbert make clay spirals for their pottery.

Below: Travis Heckmaster works on a pencil drawing.









Carmen Caylor and Stacie Pope check out art work on a field trip to the Spiva Art Center.

Mike Bradley and Jason Smith create new designs while Tony Snider gets advice from instructor Dustin Miller.







Front: Shannon Carey, Tarrah Zar, Jason Navarro, Shawna Moore, Brenda Isley, Carrie Whitehead; middle: Jenni Badley, Cullun Culp, Leslie Harrell, Jacob Meadows, Jessica Whitehead, Sarah Long; back: Jay Davis, Brian Moser, Will Bridges, Angie Plew, Jodi Stover, Stacy Barton, D.J. Jenson.

Shannon Carey and Cullun Culp, the voting delegates, show off their new fashionable balloon hats.





AboveLeft: Jason Navarro and Donna Dorsey, advisor, induct new FBLA officers Shawna Moore, Brenda Isley, Carrie Whitehead, Shannon Carey, and Tarrah Zar.

Brian Moser, Jessica Whitehead, Jason Navarro, Carrie Whitehead, Jacob Meadows, and Brenda Isley attend state contest in Jefferson City.

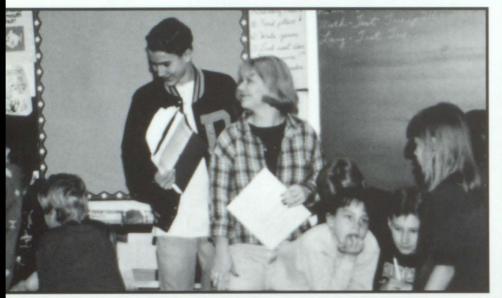


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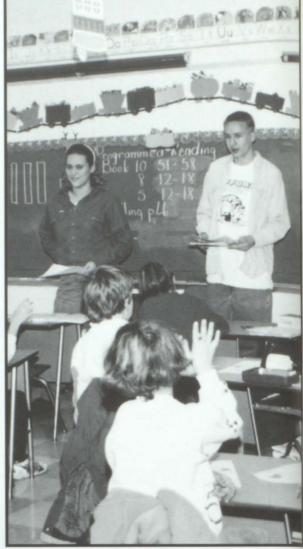
Mischa Admire and Brandon Soper watch as their students make anti-drug commercials.

Kyley Isbell and Cullun Culp present a lesson on how to communicate positively.





Front: Brenda Isley, Trent Mosely, Leslie Harrell, Rob Johnson, Jarrod Newcomb; second: Karla Parks, Jenni Badley, Kyley Isbell, Lacey Powers, Mischa Admire; third: Brandon Soper, Ben Crager, Amanda McGinnis, Jason Bogue; fourth: Cullun Culp, Clark Patrick, Josh Merriman





Jenni Badley and Josh Merriman talk to the class about the importance of self-esteem.

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS

OF AMERICA





The FHA members pay attention to Mrs. James as she discusses new business during the meeting.

Rori Bullis, Cindy Baker, and Linda Bullette listen to comments during a lunch meeting.



Front: Hailey Housh, Cindy Baker, Bobbi Bryan, J.T. Trujillo, Rachel Cole, Rori Bullis, Linda Bullette; middle: Christina Button, Renea Sanders, Rocky Pennington; back: Linda James, advisor.

FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA

First hour Ag Construction students observe the installation of a new picnic table.

Sara Foster, Jessica Davis, and Wendy Bryan prepare biscuits for the annual teachers' breakfast.



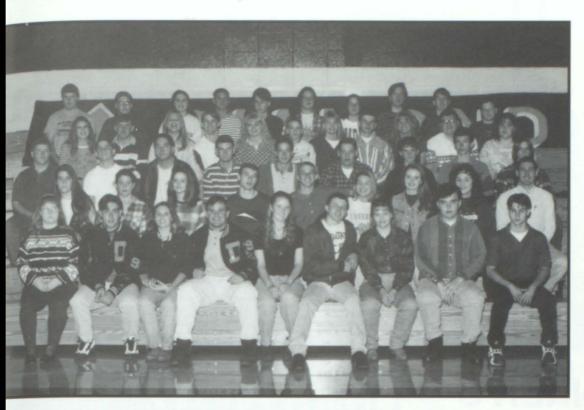
Lance Massey announces the names of Area Farmers: Sarah Long, Kristen Bridges, Rob Johnson, John Carter, and Jimmie McAlister.



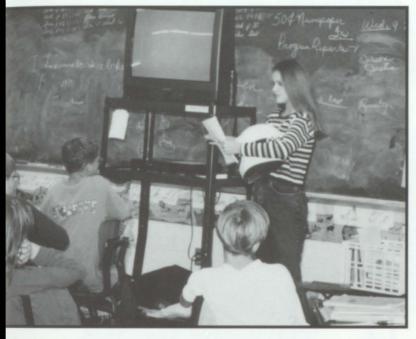


Lance Massey awards Crissy Richards with a plaque for being the highest fundraiser.





Front: Christina Button, Justin Trevino, Jodi Stover, John Carter, Sarah Long, Jimmie McAlister, Stacy Barton, Rob Johnson, Jayson Harper; second: Hanna Lawson, Jessica Davis, Nicole Brandon, Tony Snider, Robert Creekmore, Crissy Richards, Kristen Bridges, Amanda McGinnis, Lance Massey (advisor); third: Clark Patrick, Brian Trevino, Logan Kelley, Nick Hirshey, Ben Aulick, Zack Kuhn, Wendy Bryan, Thomas Hasler, Tom Jump; fourth: Alisha Williams, Mike Shull, Amber Ward, Matt Vance, Tracy Youngblood, Travis Renburg, Missi Tichenor, Carl Duquette, Genea Hoyer, Dusty Tubbs, Amy Coffey; back: Donald Wingard, Jesse Bruce, Julie Gates, Josh Williams, Matt Brand, Jamie Loveland, Kary Davenport, Dustin DeBoer, Micheal Messner, Cody Tubbs.



During FFA safety week, Kristen Bridges speaks to fifth graders on the importance of safety while operating ATV's.



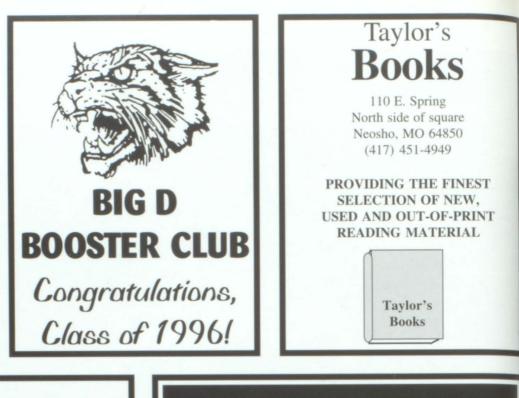
John Carter and Jamie Loveland display their tractors during National FFA week.

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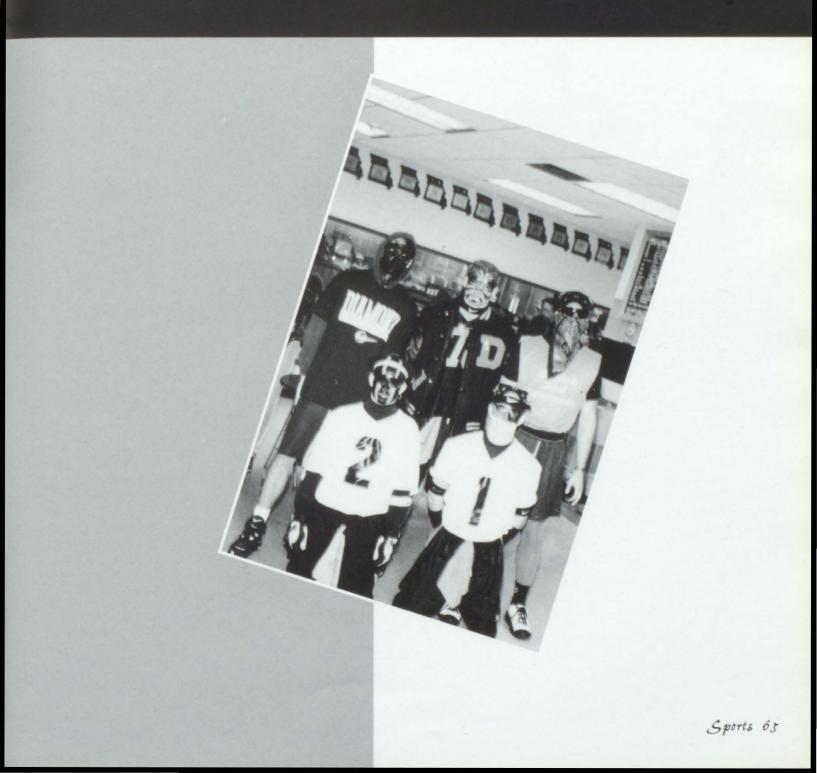


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ATHLETICS





Warming up before the meet, Cullun Culp and Brian Moser jog up the Monett hill. At state, Moser placed 98th and Culp placed 137th.



Ben Aulick and Brandon Soper lead the pack at the Diamond meet. In the Jefferson City run, Aulick placed 84th and Soper placed 138th.



Tyler Smith leads some Exeter runners during the Monett meet. Smith finished 146th at state.





Stacie Pope and Hailey Housh run together at the Monett meet. Pope placed 74th and Housh placed 26th in state competition.



For Tony Snider it wasn't all a downhill run on the Jefferson City golf course. Even so, he placed 27th at the state meet. Snider also placed 2nd at districts.

Josh Comer, Jason Bogue and Matt Brand all work for a higher placing at the Diamond meet. At state competition Bogue placed 135th.





Front: Chris Wegrzyn, Matt Brand, Tony Snider, Ben Aulick, Bennie Malotte, Tyler Smith; back: Stacie Pope, Brandon Soper, Jason Bogue, Brian Moser, Josh Comer, Cullun Culp, Hailey Housh, Coach Larry Cunningham

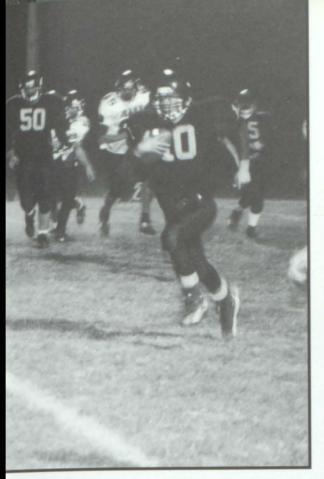
Below: Robert Creekmore finds a hole; Beau Johnson and Will Bridges block. Right: Robert Creekmore runs for a touchdown.







Front: Coach Frank Esposito, Mgr. Stephanie Ferguson, J.T. Trujillo, Manny Long, Jason Smith, Robert Creekmore, Jayson Harper, Brian Trevino, Matt Vance, Jimmie McAlister, Asst. Coach Richard Curran, Asst. Coach Dustin Miller; second: Tim Long, Michael Bradley, B.J. Oxendine, Mike Shull, Bart Serak, Beau Johnson, Justin Trevino, John Carter, Jeff Rowe; back: George Sarson, Zack Kuhn, Josh Merriman, Rob Johnson, Will Bridges, Ryan Felty, Jay Davis, Josh Addington, Ben Crager.



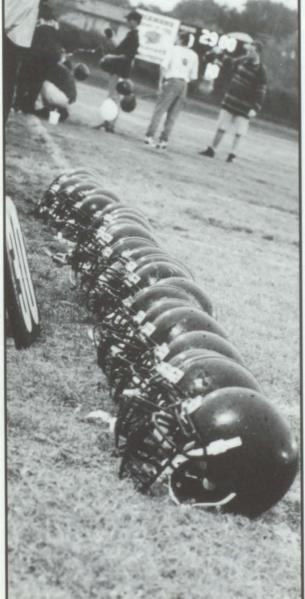
FOOTBALL

Faking a hand-off to Robert Creekmore (10), Josh Merriman (15) gives the ball to Michael Bradley (20) while Zack Kuhn (78), John Carter (50), and Mike Shull (77) block.





Above: The Wildcats fire off the line.



VOLLEYBALL

A lot of people might think that the volleyball team's undefeated season or 1st place victories at Willard and both Diamond tournaments were the highlights of the year, but not according to Coach Bill Presley. To him, the girls' dedication and love of the game were the real highlights.

Achievements during the year included: Karla Parks: Ozark 7 Player of the Year and 1st Team All-Area Jenni Badley: Ozark 7 1st Team and 1st Team All-Area Lauren Fennessey: Ozark 7 2nd Team and 2nd Team All-State. Meggan Woolever: Ozark 7 2nd Team Lora Housh: Ozark 7 Honorable Mention

Heather Olson: Ozark 7 Honorable Mention All six girls made Neosho All-Area.

Kelsi Harris, and Lauren Fennessey move in to assist as Heather Olson calls it.

Karla Parks slams one over the net with Jenni Badley in support.



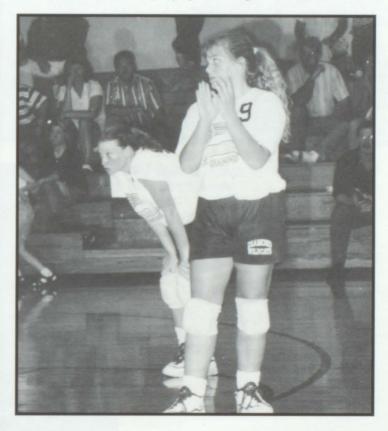
Amber Brummett leans back into her serve.







Front: Susan Piatt, Heather Olson, Karla Parks, Steffanie Ferguson; middle: Lora Housh, Stacy Barton, Meggan Woolever, Kelsi Harris, Diana Cokerham; back: Coach Bill Presley, Rori Bullis, Amber Brummett, Jenni Badley, Lauren Fennessey, Kyley Isbell, mgr.



Stacy Barton and Lora Housh wait for their teamate to serve.

Meggan Woolever goes high for a kill as Jenni Badley stays ready to back her up. Varsity: front: Ben Crager, Robert Creekmore; middle: Ryan Felty, Brian Moser, Jarrod Newcomb, Ben Aulick, Tony Snider; back: Rusty McDermott, asst. coach, Ryan Bridges, Will Bridges, Logan Kelly, Jay Davis, Donald Wingard, mgr.

Ben Aulick goes up for the layup.



Junior Varsity: front: Brian Trevino, Tyler Smith; middle: Nick Hirshey, Josh Merriman, Cullun Culp, Brandon Soper, Matt Brand; back: Rusty McDermott, asst. coach, Dustin Boswell, Ryan Felty, Jeff Rowe, Jeremy Perry.





Freshmen: front: Tim Admire, Jeff Cook; middle: Manny Long, Bill Hansen, Jason Brown; back: Rusty McDermott, asst. coach, Tyler Smith, Jeff Rowe, Nathan Holbert.



BOYS' BASKETBALL



Diamond fights for the ball in the game aginst Carl Junction.

Jarrod Newcomb sneaks a pass by Verona.



Brian Moser matches his opponent as he hustles down court.

Tony Snider catches his breath during the game with Wheaton.





GIRLS' BASKETBALL



Varsity: front: Lauren Fennessey, Linda Bullette; middle: Jenni Badley, Karla Parks, Susan Piatt; back: Kelsi Harris, Rori Bullis, Stacie Pope, Coach Ron Badley.



On defense Meggan Woolever plays point guard while Jenni Badley watches for a pass.



Junior Varsity: front: Nicole Brandon, Stephanie Busse; middle: Tammy Holland, Kary Davenport, Susan Piatt, Rori Bullis; back: Linda Bullette.



Karla Parks out-jumps her opponent to give her team first possession of the ball.

Kelsi Harris, Stacie Pope, and Jenni Badley play tight defense against Exeter.





Susan Piatt, Nicole Brandon, Linda Bullette, and Tammy Holland line up on defense.



Lauren Fennessey leads her team through the spirit ring.

BASEBALL

LOSSES: WINS: 1

Throughout the season the team did very well. They started the season by losing to Seneca 17-3, but came back and defeated the next three teams .

When tournament time came around, the guys showed Purdy and Southwest who was boss, by stomping Purdy 16-1 and Southwest 15-5.

Trent Mosley connects with the pitch on his was to a homerun and a season batting average of .444.

IBrian Moser slides into base, raising a cloud of dust as he beats the throw.

Mike Bradley smokes to third, one of his four steals in the game against Wheaton.









Front: Tyler Smith, Tim Admire, Todd Meares, Manny Long, Donald Wingard; middle: J.T. Trujillo, Jayson Harper, Robert Creekmore, Trent Mosley, Jason Smith, Mike Bradley, Josey Long, Jason Navarro (stats); back: Coach Frank Esposito, Beau Johnson, Tim Long, Brian Moser, John Carter, B.J. Oxendine, Ben Crager, Jarrod Newcomb, Jacob Meadows, Jay Davis, Coach Bill Lewis.



SCOREBOARD			
	Us	Them	
Seneca	3	17	
Exeter	5	1	
E. Newton	23	6	
Carl Junc.	2	7	
Purdy	12	1	
Mt. Vernon	21	14	
Southwest	10	8	
Liberal	16	3	
Miller	7	5	
Wheaton	16	11	
Sarcoxie	5	2	
Ash Grove	2	3	
McDonald	0	5	

Robert Creekmore scores a run for the Cats. This was a common sight since Creekmore reached base in 60% of his season at-bats.



Jacob Meadows takes the relay throw while Jarrod Newcomb looks on.

John Carter's left handed delivery gives opposing hitters a different angle as Ben Crager is set to make the play.





The team hangs out on the playground prior to a game against Liberal.



Leslie Harrel waits for the throw down at second base.

Rori Bullis watches Amber Brummett wind up for her pitch.

Kelsi Harris takes a swing against Wheaton.

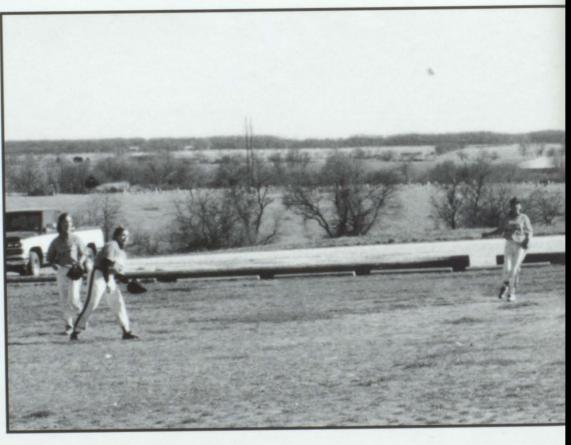






Hailey Housh coaches first base during a varsity game.

Heather Olson and Janell Crager work together to back up Stacy Barton as she goes for a fly ball.



SOFTBALL



Front: Rori Bullis, Hailey Housh, Nicole Brandon, Sara Foster, Hanna Lawson, Jennifer Badley; second: Amber Brummett, Tracy Youngblood, Sherri Mathews, Kelsi Harris, Cindy Reinhart, Carrie Whitehead, Heather Olson, Coach Tiffany Rea, third: Lauren Fennessey, Janell Crager, Stacy Barton, Jennifer Cook, Leslie Harrell, Joeanna Brokob.



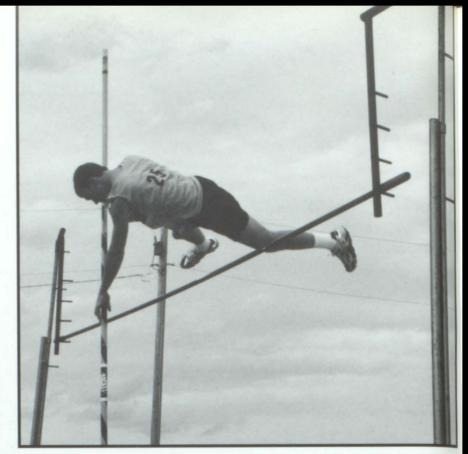


Lauren Fennessey catches another strike. Stacy Barton gets a hit and hustles to first.

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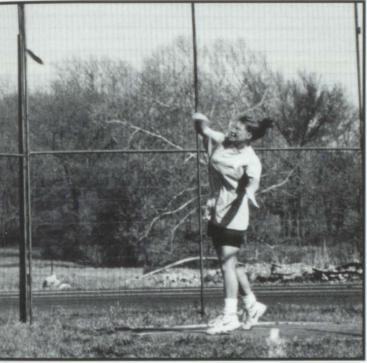
Tony Snider takes first place at the Diamond meet with this 10 foot vault.





Bottom: Stacie Pope, Lora Housh, Karla Parks, Linda Bullette, Candy Stoops, Gina Stoops; middle: Stephen Busse, Matt Brand, Nathan Holbert, Chris Wegrzyn; back: Ben Aulick, Tony Snider, Cullun Culp, Coach Larry Cunningham. Clark Patrick throws shot to get fourth place at the Diamond meet.







Linda Bullette jumps 13' 3" at the Diamond meet to capture first.





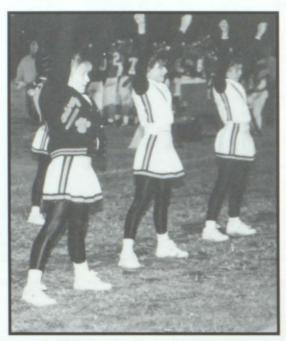
Above left: Lora Housh completes the follow-through on her discus throw.

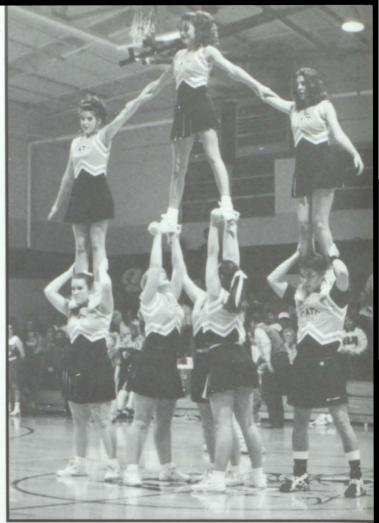
Above: Ben Aulick takes first place in the 400 meter run. Aulick also placed eighth place in the 800 meter run at the state competition.

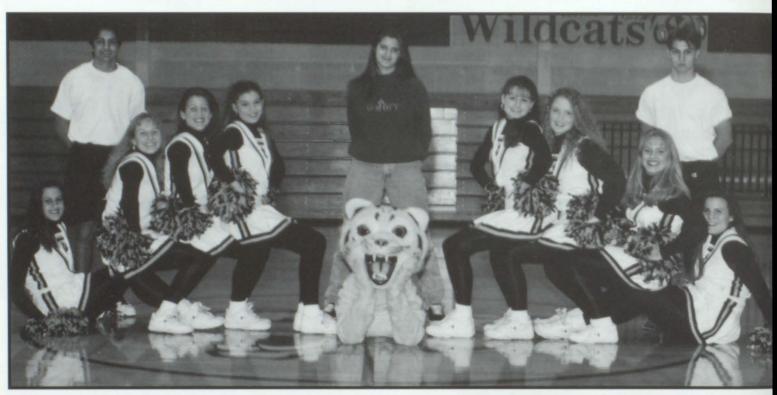
Left: Stacie Pope widens the gap between her and her opponent.



To get the football fans involved in the game, the cheerleaders lead a crowd cheer.







Left to Right: Marrissa Johnson, J.T. Trujillo, Aubrey Powers, Jessica Davis, Janell Crager, Roxi (Stephanie Fulton and Jeriney Fulcher), Jennifer Cook, Sarah Long, Amber Ward, Jayson Harper, Hanna Lawson.

> Like mail carriers, cheerleaders are on the job through rain, snow, sleet, or hail.



CHEERLEADING









The cheerleaders show their spirit with smiles, even in the cold .

Far left: While doing an "extention," the cheerleaders lead the crowd in a sideline yell.

Left: At halftime, the squad performs a routine for the halftime show.

The cheerleaders help the team in spirit, by doing a sideline chant.

YEAREND

Chris Worden receives a certificate from Cathy Holt, music director, for his II rating at state music contest.





Peggy Bogle, math, and her student teacher, Teresa Tanner, give Adam Granicz a certificate for his participation in Math League.



Gina Stoops accepts a token check from Staff Sergeant Chmidling representing the college funds she will receive for her early enrollment into the Marine Corps.

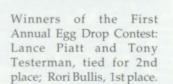
Above left: Counselor Dixie Campbell presents Vo-Tech certificates to Bobbi Bryan (Outstanding Drafting Student) and James Grube (Outstanding Auto-Body Student).

Newton County Seriff Ron Doerge recognizes HiStep participants and their advisor, Coleen Michael.

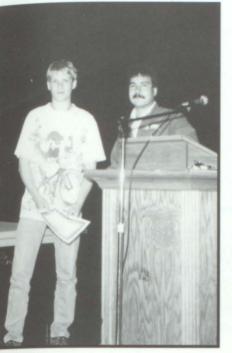




David Owens receives recognition as Most Improved Vo-Tech student at the Crowder awards assembly.





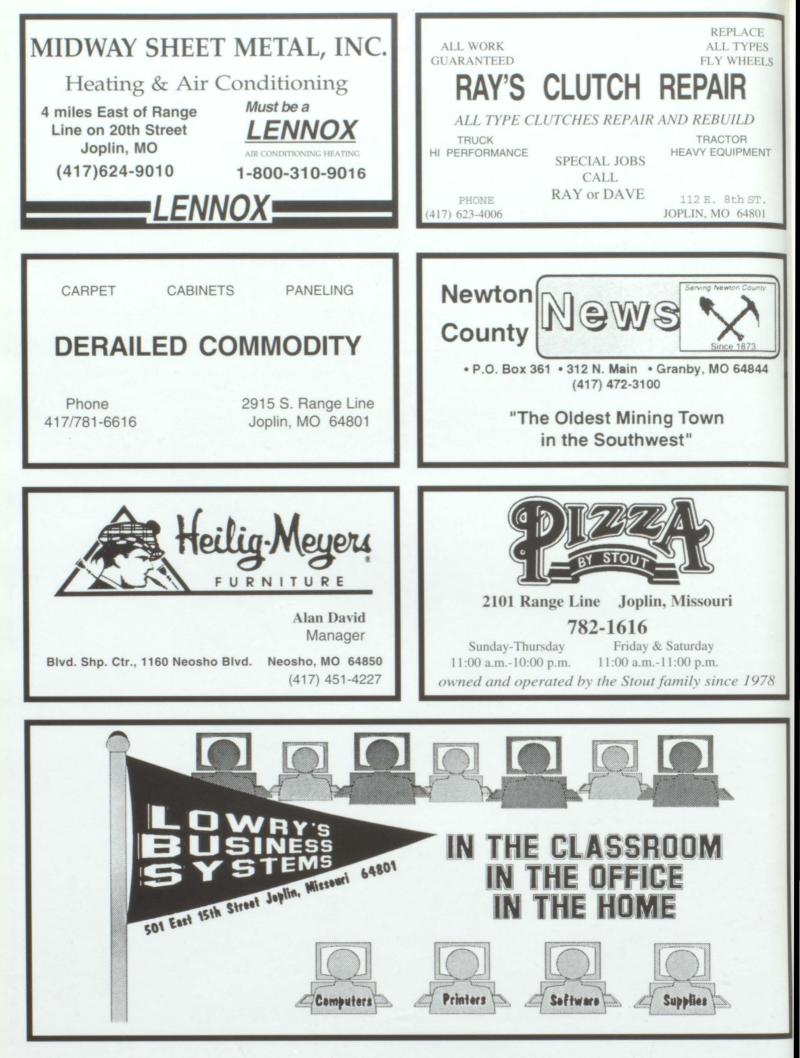




Jacob Meadows accepts the "Coach's Award" from speech director, Allene Miller. Meadows broke the NFL chapter record for the most points earned during his high school career.

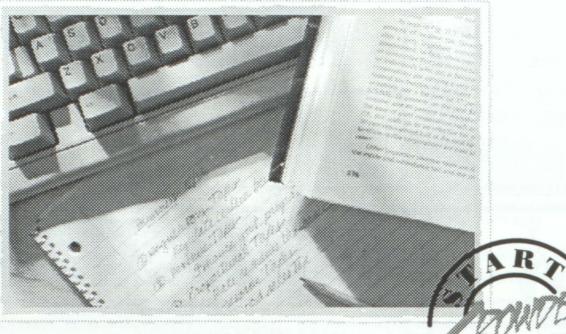
YEARENZ

Booster Club Award winners: Female Athlete, Stacy Barton; Overall Athlete, Brian Moser; Male Athlete, John Carter.





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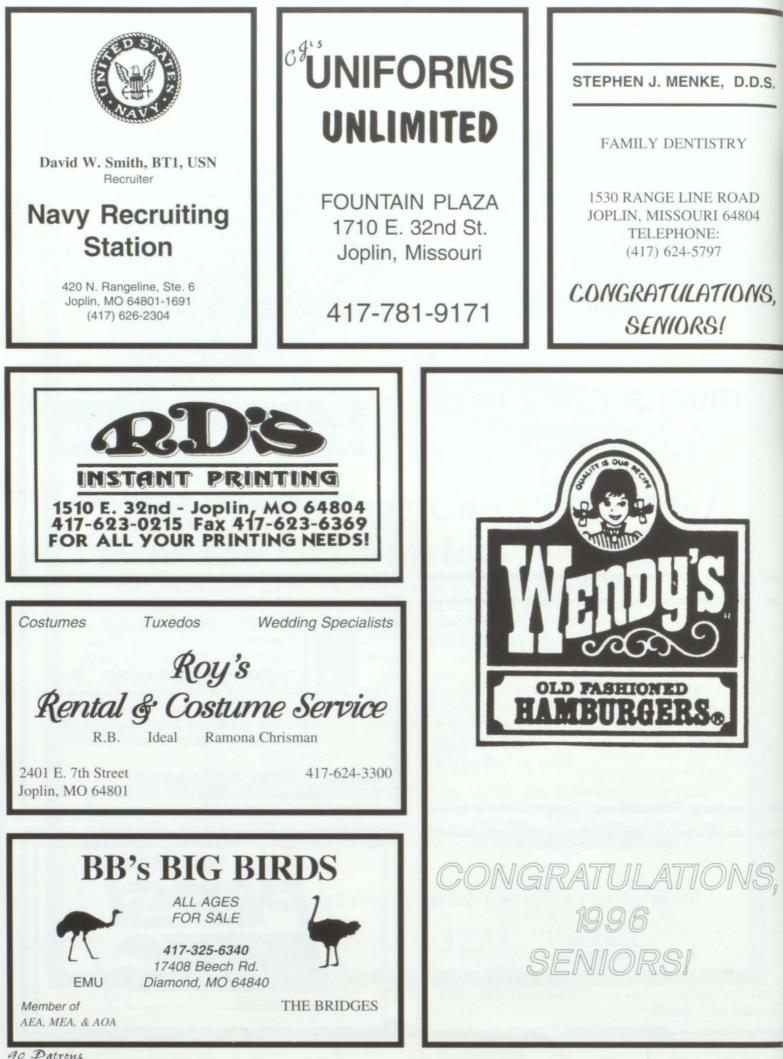


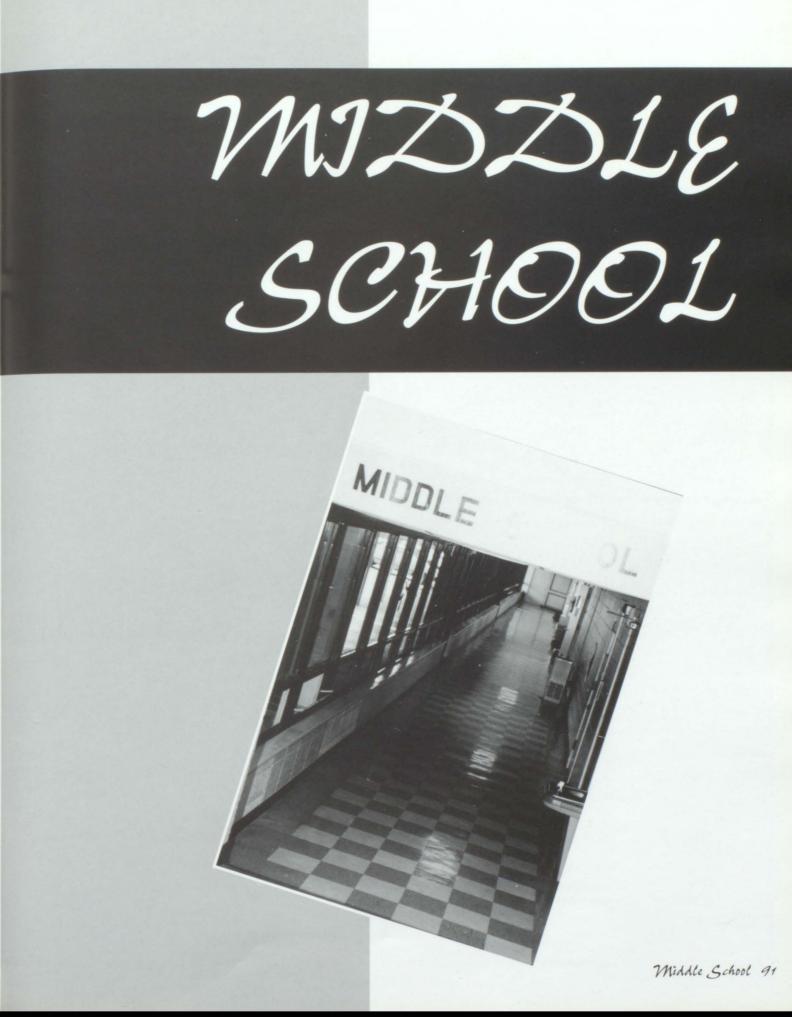
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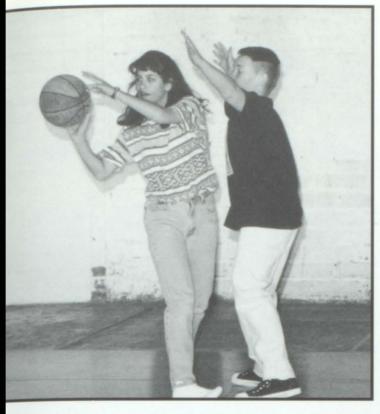
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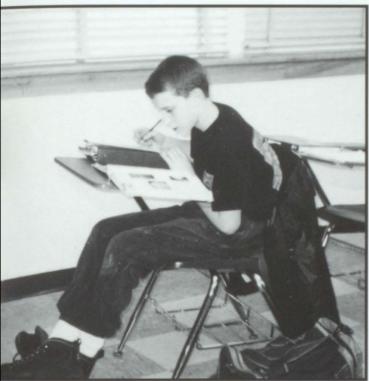


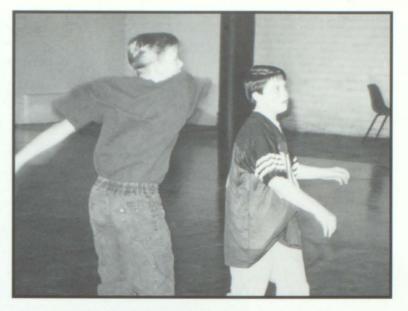


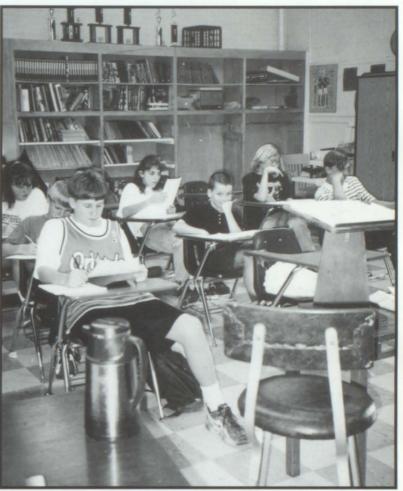


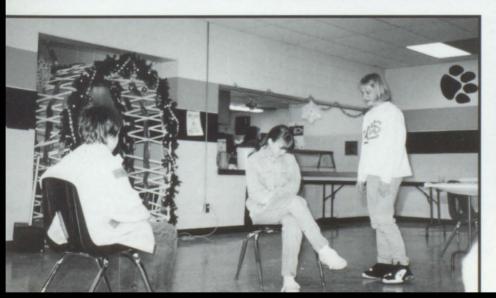










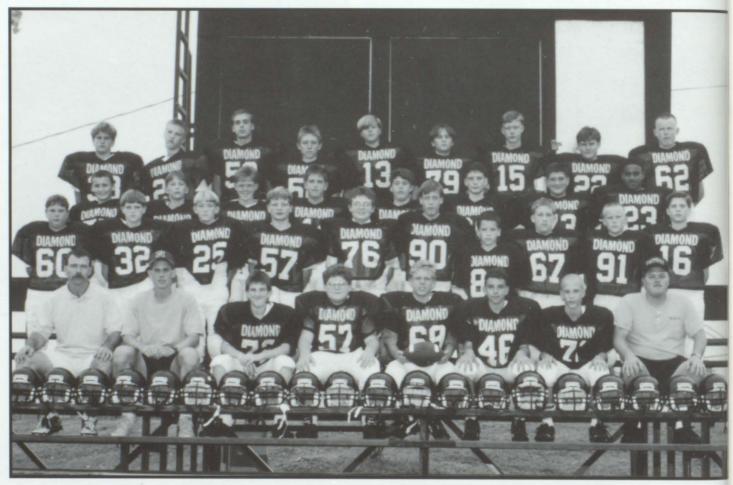








Sammy Crawford carries the ball for a gain.



Front: Asst. Coach Richard Curran, Asst. Coach Dustin Miller, Marcus Jordan, Jeremy Nelson, Tyle Brown, Trevor McMullen, Jesse Long, Coach Frank Esposito; second: Ben Carter, Marty Rinehart, Andrew Whitehead, Chad Shelton, Cole Vittetoe, Nick Ruehle, Dan Workman, Eric Smith, Matt Whiteley, Brian Navarro; third: Clarence Evans, Matt Maxwell, Wade Kinney, Michael Badley, Jake Merriman, Brian Moore, Brett Vaughn, Sammy Crawford; fourth: Luke Moore, Zach McCoy, Bruce Stoops, David Blakely, Rocky Binning, Gabe Sappington, Joey Petty, Allie Modlin, Matt Willey.



Allie Modlin goes for a block to allow Joe Petty to gain some Yardage.



Luke Moore and Sammy Crawford close in to tackle a Liberal player.



Andrew Whitehead nose dives into a Liberal player.



Nick Ruehle(90) makes a tackle on Liberal.

MIZZLE SCHOOL VOLLEYBALL

Crystal Long vollies back the ball to keep it in play.

Players relax and talk after a hard game.





8th Grade Team Front: Tiffany Tobler, Jenny Soper, Casi Wintgens, Amy Bishop; second: Crystal Long, Amanda Nicholas, Bonita Taylor, Samantha Piatt, Amy Taylor; back: Coach Linda Roark, Heather Netherly, Tiffany Danner, Wendy Harrell, Alisha Holland, Christy Hartner.







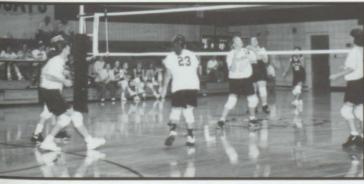
7th Grade Team: front: Laura Chimero, Lindsey Compton, Lacey Sparlin; second: Carrie Foster, Stephanie Taylor, Amber Lancaster, Ashley Bridges, Jessica Cupp; back: Jennifer Johnson, Coach Linda Roark, Julie Hanna.

Wendy Harrell serves the ball to the opposing team for a point.



Amanda Nicholas passes the ball while her teammates are ready to back her up.





Diamond Wildcats are ready for the serve.

8th graders are ready for set.

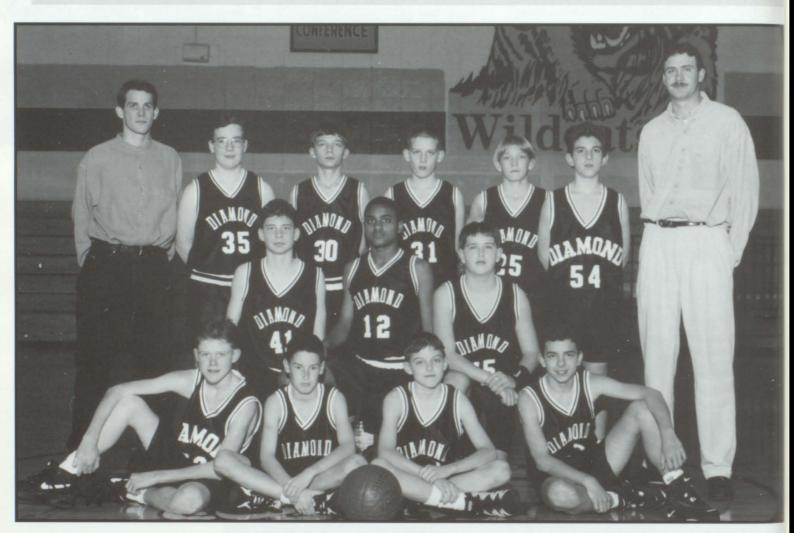
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Andrew Jinx , Michael Badley, and Sam Crawford play tough defence .

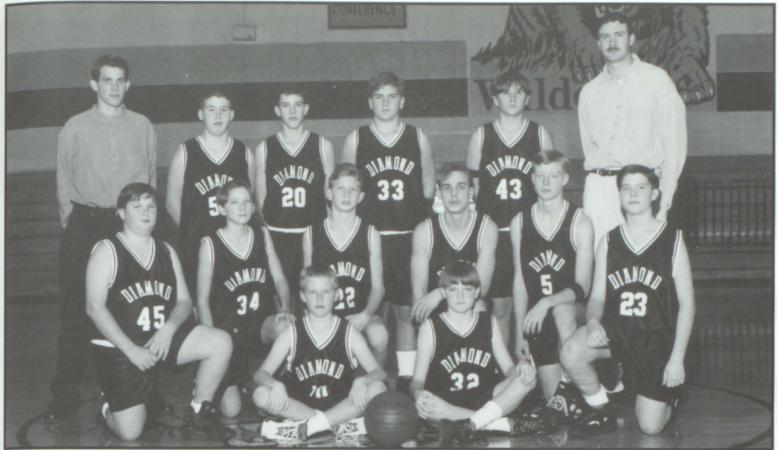


Wade Kinney looks to pass to Trevor McMullen.



7th Grade Team: front: Wade Kinney, Jason Richardson, Adam Comer, Trevor McMullen; secon Bryan Moore, Sam Crawford, Michael Badley; back: Coach Dustin Miller, Lance Piatt, Justin Filars Andrew Jinks, Andrew Whitehead, Marcus Jordan, Asst. Coach Rusty McDermott.

BASKETBALL



8th Grade Team: front: Matt Whiteley, Marty Rinehart; second: Ben Carter, Matt Maxwell, Zack Waddell, Bruce Stoops, Joey Petty, Brian Navarro; back: Coach Dustin Miller, Jake Merriman, Brent Moser, Luke Moore, Gabe Sappington, Asst. Coach Rusty McDermott.



Joey Petty looks for a tough inside score.



Luke Moore takes the shot, while Joey Petty and Marty Rinehart look for the rebound.

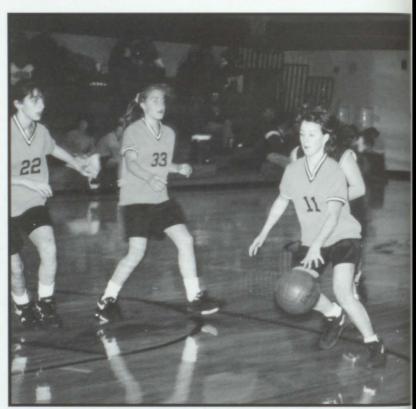
MIZZLE SCHOOL



8th Grade Team: front: Tiffany Tobler, Jenny Soper, Amy Bishop; second: Wendy Harrell, Amy Taylor, Amand Nicholas, Crystal Long; back: Coach Tiffany Rea, Michelle Chaney, Mgr. Bonita Taylor.



Wendy Harrell looks to for a shot as teammates Michelle Chaney and Amy Taylor are poised for an assist.



Jenny Soper drives for the basket with the help of Amy Taylor and Crystal Long.

GIRLS' BASKETBALL



Laura Chimero looks for a way around her opponent as Julie Hanna comes behind to assist.

Amber Lancaster positions herself to receive a pass from Chimero.





7th Grade Team: front: Amanda Mills, Amber Lancaster, Jessica Cupp; second: Julie Hanna, Hilary Atler; back: Coach Tiffany Rea, Laura Chimero, Carrie Foster, Mgr. Bonita Taylor.

MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY/ TRACK & FIELD

Amanda Mills runs a newly opened section of the Diamond cross country course.

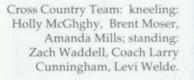
Crystal Long participates in the 400 meter dash.

Brent Moser starts his run for the long jump.











106 Middle School Track & Cross Country



Nathan Cunningham clears his first jump at the Diamond track meet.



Amanda Mills competes in the 1600 meter run.



Track Team: front: Laney Williams, Amanda Mills, Sheana Vincent; middle: Amy Taylor, Andrew Jinks, Andrew Whitehead, Adam Comer, Michael Badley, Crystal Long; back: Coach Bill Presley, Bonita Taylor, Nathan Cunningham, Joey Petty, Bruce Stoops, Brent Moser, Christy Hartner, Coach Dustin Miller.



Zach Waddell and Levi Welde round the baseball field in the Diamond meet.

MIZZLE SCHOOL

During a pep assembly, the cheerleaders perform a new stunt.

Mascot Willis clutches the trophy won by the cheerleadering squad at summer camp.







Front: Wendy Harrell, Tiffany Danner; middle: Cieson Culp, Sarah Clouse, Kristen Weems; back Alisha Holland, Sheena Vincent, Carrie Foster, Kristen Landreth, Christy Hartner, Crystal Long CHEERLE ADERS



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EIGHTH GRADE



Brian Navarro, Joey Petty, and Allie Modlin take a break at the Valentine's Dance.

Matt Waddell and Michelle Chaney perform a dramatic duet.



Rocky Binning Amy Bishop David Blakely Bari Bogue Jeremy Butler Ben Carter

Chris Case Michelle Chaney Sarah Clouse Cieson Culp Nathan Cunningham Tiffany Danner

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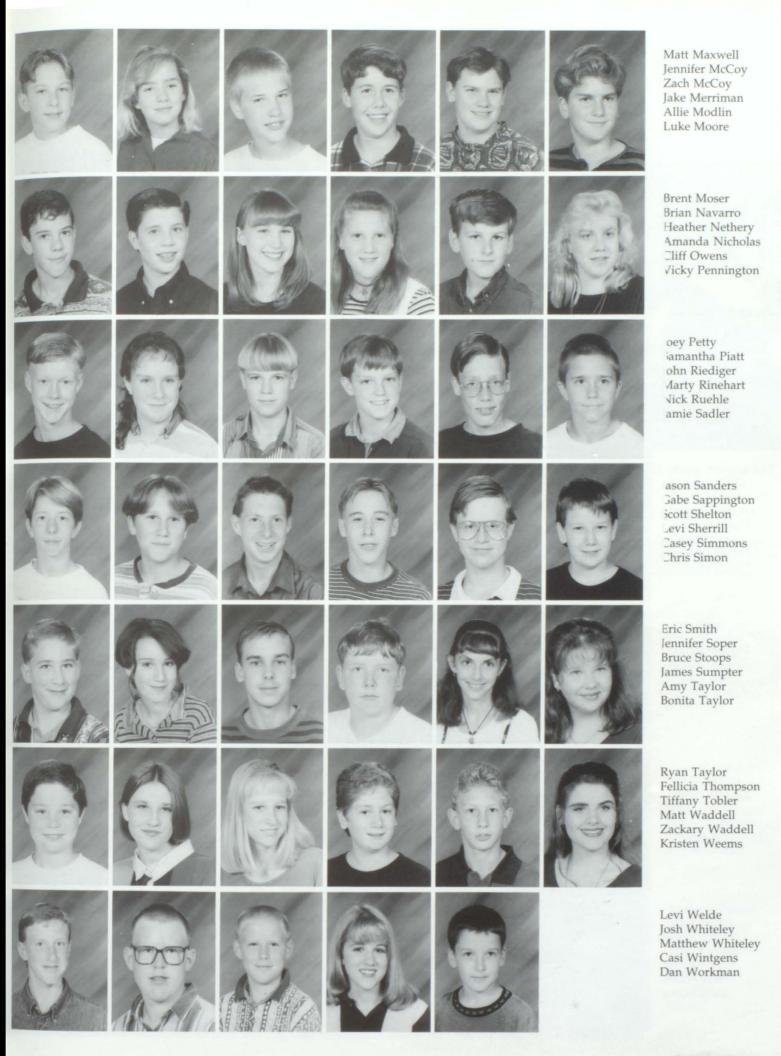








110 Eighth Grade



SEVENTH GRADE



The seventh grade English class answers a question about an assignment.



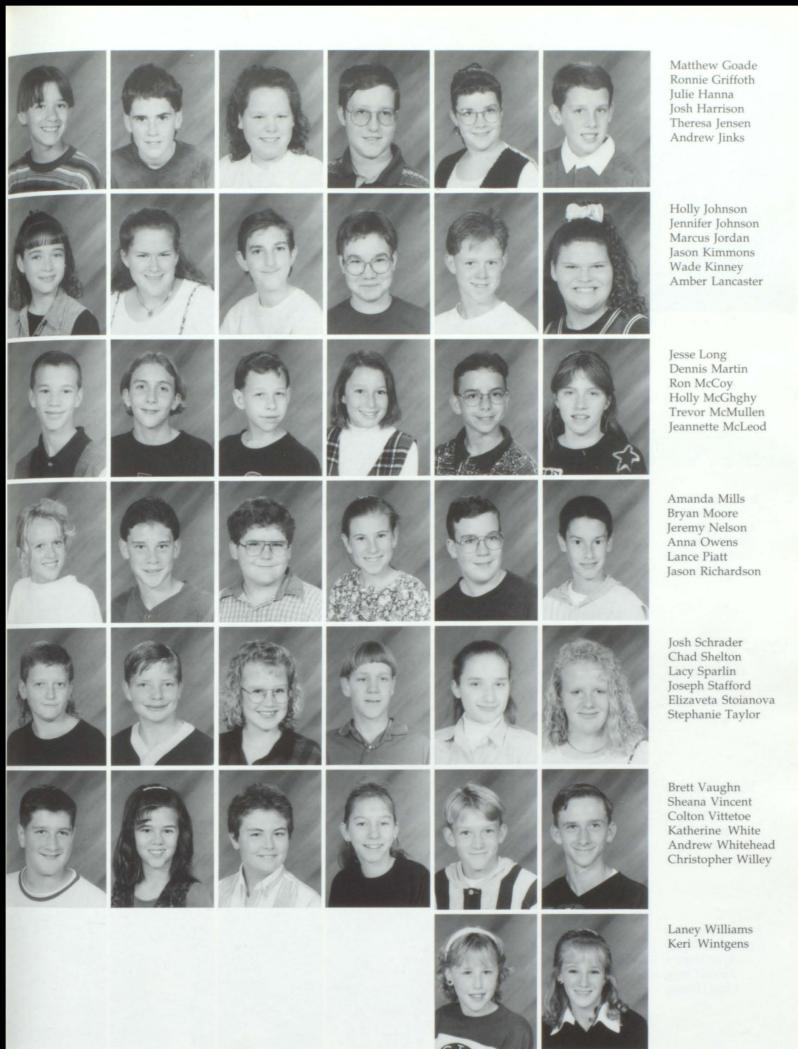
Scientific inquiry engages seventh graders.

Hilary Atler Michael Badley David Barwick Randi Bates Ashley Bridges Tyler Bunn

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Jessica Cupp Clarence Evans Justin Filarski Carrie Foster Sara Fulton Joshua Gess





SIXTH GRADE



Sixth graders completed a study skills project through the library.

Ryan Green and Skyler Powers converse about playing their ukuleles.



Jared Addington Jason Baker Heather Barnett Terry Bessman Nathan Billings Seth Bingman

Chaunda Blankenship Tyler Brown Holly Burbage Amos Carrick Frank Chimero Adam Churchwell

Ashlie Cogburn Zach Cope Cody Daniels Meghan Drake Amanda Farley

Jennifer Ferguson Melissa Frakes Ryan Greene Adam Gregg Terry Hansen



















Andrea Jones Jason Judd Kyle Kelso Erik Kendall Chuck LaDue Samantha Landreth

Lindsey Lawson Heather Leake

Jandi McKinney

Timothy Marney Brooke McCain Marshall McCumber



































Skyler Powers Matthew Reed Jeri Rinehart Rebekkah Sappington Justen Shull Jamy Spry

Christie Stafford Teresa Stone Justin Taylor Tina Tobler Travis Vanwey Chelsey Waddell

Beth Workman Kesaundra Wright

Sixth Grade 115



Tonya Dry, 7 Brandy Scott, 6 Anthony Testerman, 7



Academic honors are distributed by Randal Switzer, history teacher, during an evening awards ceremony. Casey Simons' bedstead wins first place in the Industrial Arts show at Crowder College.







Students involved in sports programs during the school year receive certificates of participation at the year-end banquet.

"Dream Catchers" catch top honors in the Industrial Arts show: front: Jackie Brummett (first place); back: Ryan Taylor, Jeremy Butler.







Amy Taylor, Valedictorian, gives a speech to her fellow classmates.



Andrea Buening and Larry Augustine, class sponsors, listen as Dan Chapman, superintendent, delivers the keynote speech at the gratuation ceremonies.



The eighth grade class sits patiently during the ceremonies.

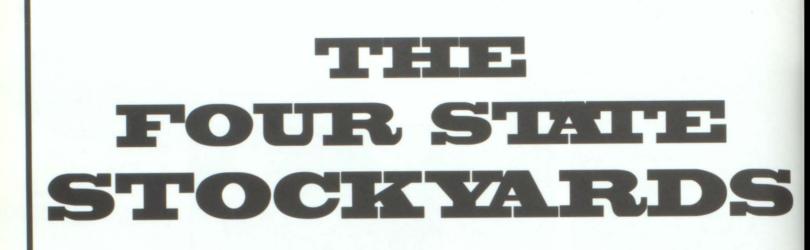
Class members sing "Count on Me."

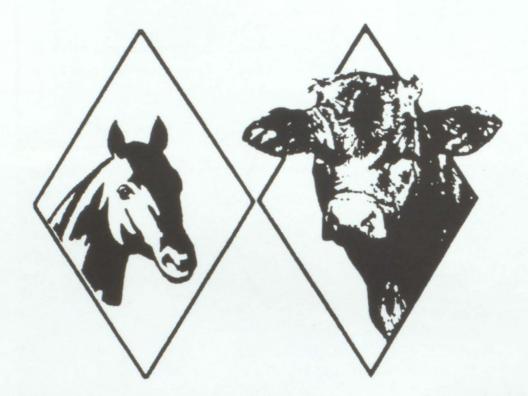


Brian Navarro gives the Salutatory address.

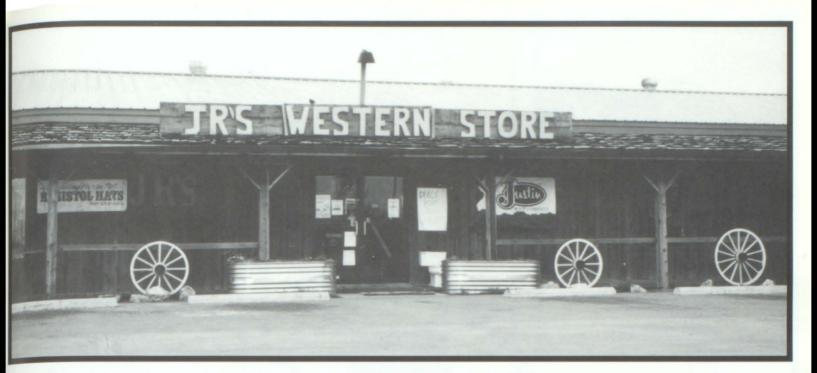


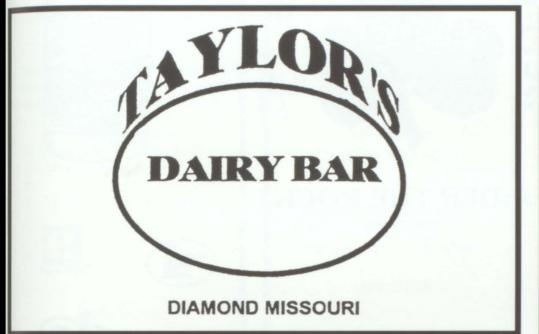
8th Grade Graduation 117





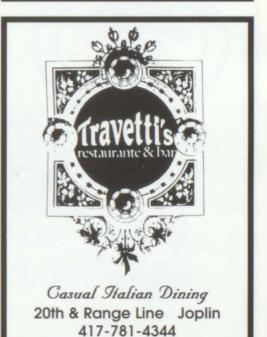
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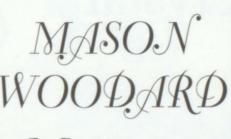


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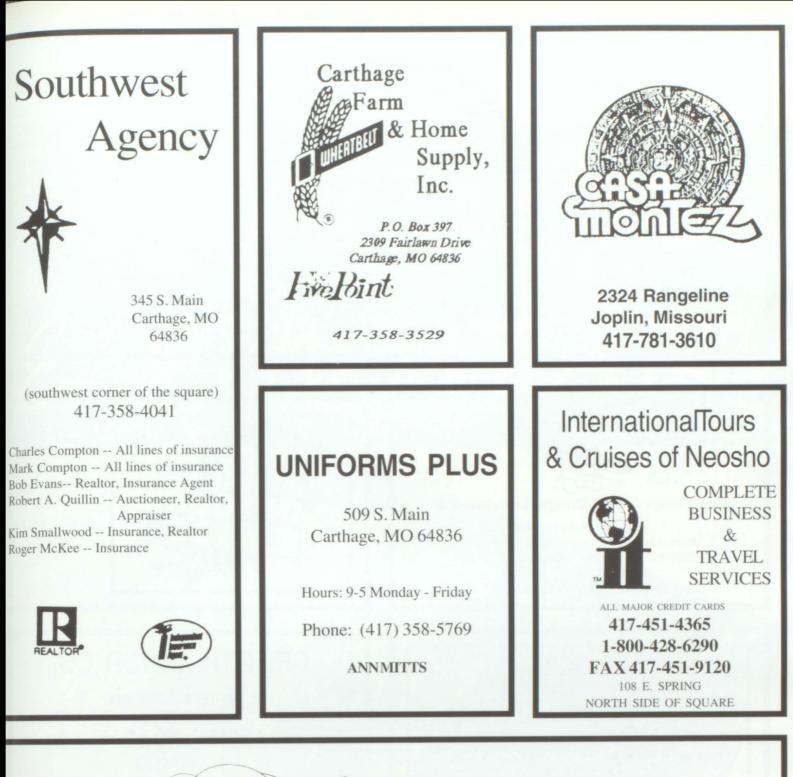






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ELEMENTARY SPECIALS

Several elementary students recieve awards at the Young Authors' assembly.

Tristan Steele shows off his creative box for Valentine's Day in Mrs. Roark's class.







The fourth grade students put on a play to entertain their elementary audience. Mary Brummet's first grade class is rewarded with a Halloween treat after the parade through Diamond.





Students watch a slide show presentation about the Rainforest.



Keira Burks poses as the white Power Ranger for Halloween.

Julie Johnson moves to the spotlight as she introduces the new act about to be performed.







The fourth graders were dressed especially nice for their Christmas program held in the new gym.

Creative Images photographer, Scott Eustler, arranges Mrs. Murray's third grade class for their class photo.

Dana Bridges plays with a piece of clay in Mrs. Whiteley's first grade class.



ELEMENTARY

Picnics aren't just fun and games -- they are also food.

Dezi Powers is the first place winner in the spelling bee.







Students perform for the audience at the Christmas program.

Kiddie cars provide entertainment for students at the year-end picnic.



Kindergarteners experience history at Thanksgiving time by dressing up as Indians and Pilgrims.



SPECIALS



Students show their Halloween styles. Janice Stirewalt's class performs the "Wizard of Oz."



Second graders view the inside of an ambulance.





Linda Herron's second grade class visits the caves at Fantastic Caverns.

FIFTH GRADE

Fifth graders get help from Mrs. Aday as they check out books.

Mrs. Ward welcomes students to a new day.



Numerators and denominators are only a fraction of information in Mrs.Green's class.



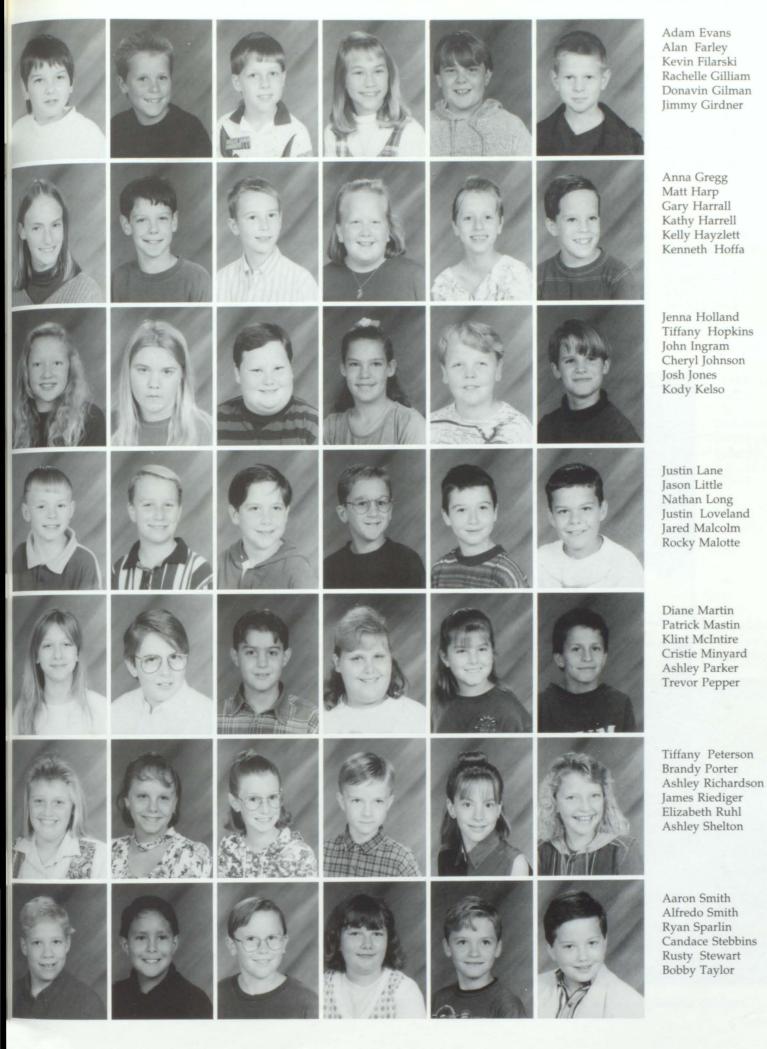


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Fifth Grade 129

Jeremy Thomas James Trotter Lyndsey Tuter Dylan Vittetoe Zachary Weaver Leif Welde

Rebecca White Addie Whitehead Rachel Whiteley Sean Wiggins Casey Willey Daniel Wood



Mrs. Ward's room takes on a different look at the end of October.





Valentine's Day in Mrs. Green's class is enhanced with homemade goodies.



Mr. Higginson's class share treats and Valentine's Day cards.

FOURTH GRADE

















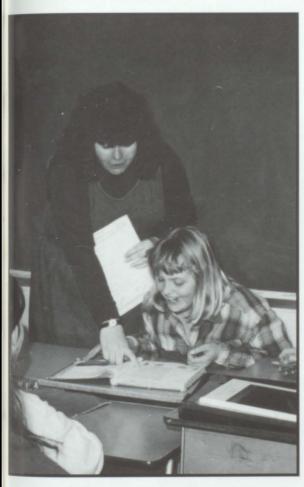




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Candace Clouse Stephanie Darr Kelsey Davis Landon Dees Jody Dominguez Jamie Elder



Mrs. Berry helps Megan Taylor with her science.



Mrs. Gilbert's class enjoy their Valentines during their party.



Colt Davis holds the microphone for Stephanie Darr as she plays the dulcimer.

Brian Evans Greg Fetters Renee Forest Todd Forest Mellisa Gallagher Brittany Gilliam

Kenzie Greenwood Sarah Hale Jessica Hartman Dusty Hodson Andrew Hoffman Casey Holland

> Julie Johnson Austin Jones Tracy Killion Shiloh Kisling Brenda Leuellen David Long

Kara Malcolm Kindra Martin Mandy Mathews Kaleb McIntire Brent Morgan Justin Mosley

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Shane Sexson Libby Sherrill Megan Soper David Spry Frankie Stevenson Jesse Sweet





Megan Taylor Jake VanLue Sheena Vincent Robin White Nicholas Workman Jessi Youngblood



Megan Soper and Renea Forest talk during the Christmas tea.

Dezi Powers admires her cards on Valentine's Day.







The fourth graders study government first hand at the State Capital.

Mandy Mathews waits for a response as Mrs. Gilbert passes out papers.

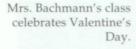
THIRD GRADE



Mrs. Stirewalt's class waits their turn to march in the Halloween parade.

Joshua Montgomery passes out his Valentine's cards.





Students in Mrs. Stirewalt's room distribute cards to classmates.





Heather Atler Sara Atwell Bubby Barnett Josh Beckett Patrick Beckett Justin Bessman

Zachery Billings Melissa Bishop Aaron Boman Kyle Bridges Cody Brown Tara Brown

Kristin Bruffett Robert Castro Andrea Chaney Amy Cokerham Nate Compton JonathanCook





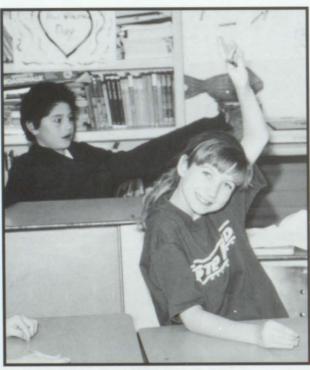


Students in Mrs. Stirewalt's class learn by reading from their textbook, Bright Wonders.



Timmy Mathews admires one of his Valentine's Day cards.

Andi Ingersoll and Lonnie Zarate raise their hands to ask Mrs. Murray a question.



Mrs. Murray speaks to the mother of one of her students.





SECOND GRADE





Mrs. Badley's class carves award winning pumpkins in October.

Mrs. Brummett's class participates in party games.

Mrs. Herron's students model the latest in Halloween costumes.





































Cameron Anderson Ryan Baker Corey Bass Joshua Bass Kayla Bass Jonathan Benson

Russell Blankenship Phillip Body Maggie Bowman Alyson Brown Sam Buening Brittany Busse

Andrea Corkle Chris Dalgleish Niki Dame Michelle Darr Sam DeBoer Levi Dees

Caleb DeVillier Laura Dodson Josh Dresslaer Jamie Ellis Lauren Fetters Elliott Foster

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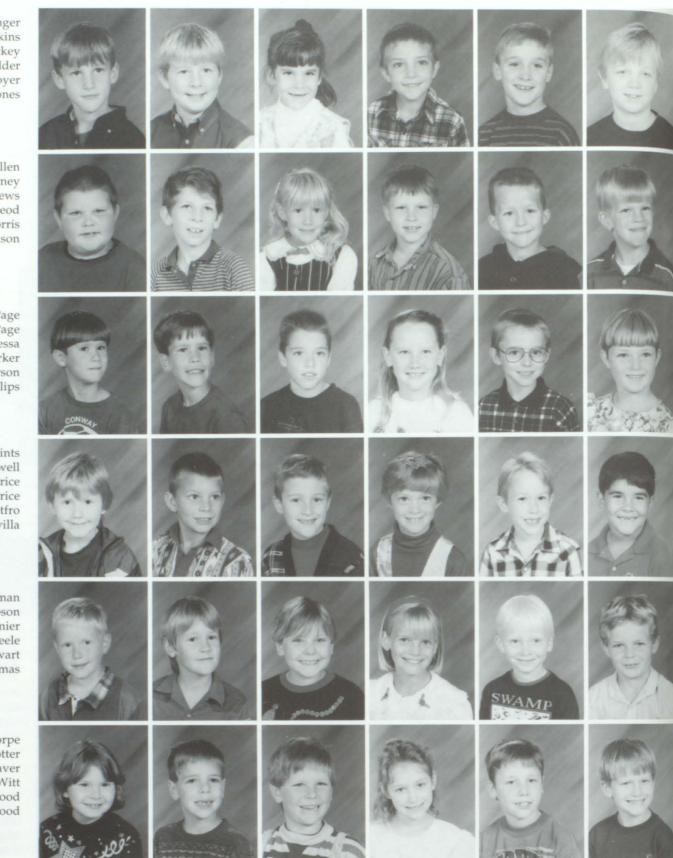
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FIRSTGRADE



Miss Brummett's students line up to go to art class.

Early morning laughter occupies Mrs. Roark's class.



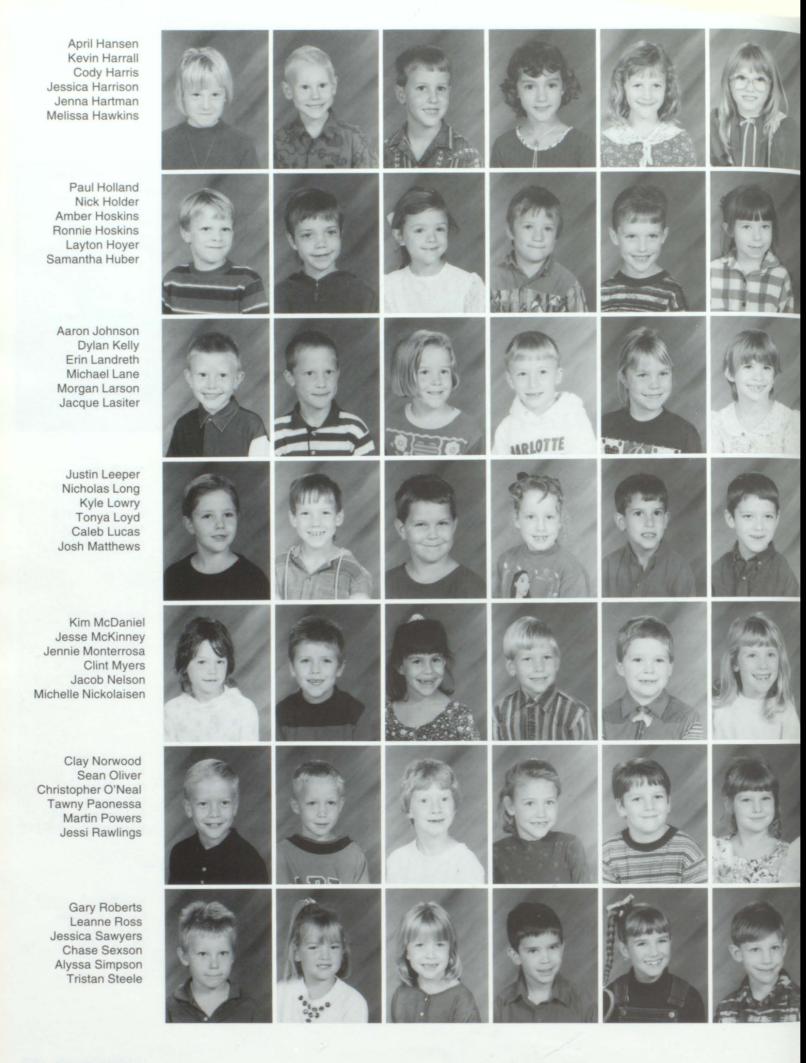


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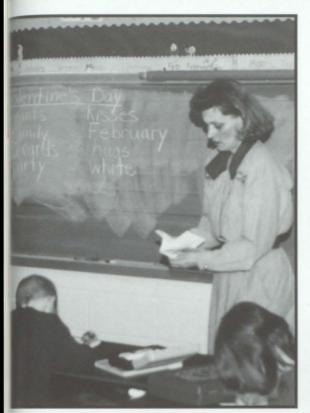






Zachary Towers Sean Vigil Samantha Vincent Bill Walker Kayla Webb Robert Williams

Mathew Witt Casey Youngblood







Mrs. Roark looks at her student's work on art day.

After working hard all day, Mrs. Brummett's class finally gets to go home.



Mrs. Whiteley checks an assignment for Layton Hoyer.

KINDERGARTEN





Above: Mrs. Henning's class pauses during their Thanksgiving "Party."

Above Right: Mrs. Rea stays busy helping her students.

Right: Mrs. Dieckhoff helps her class make Valentine cookies.

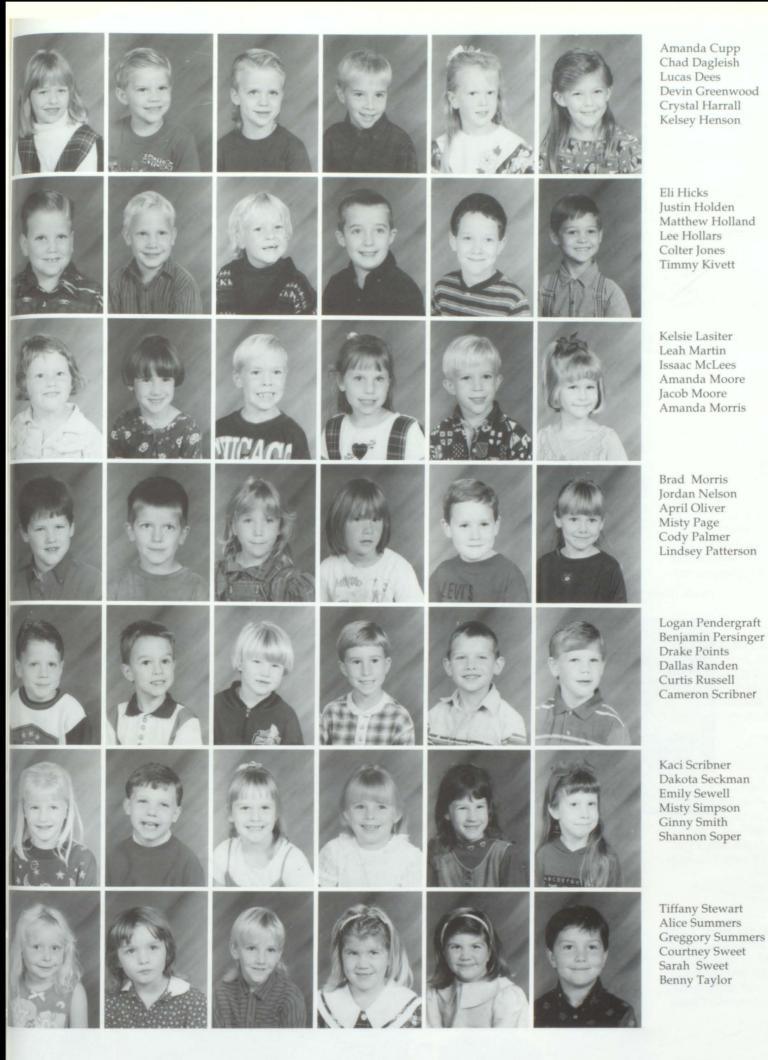


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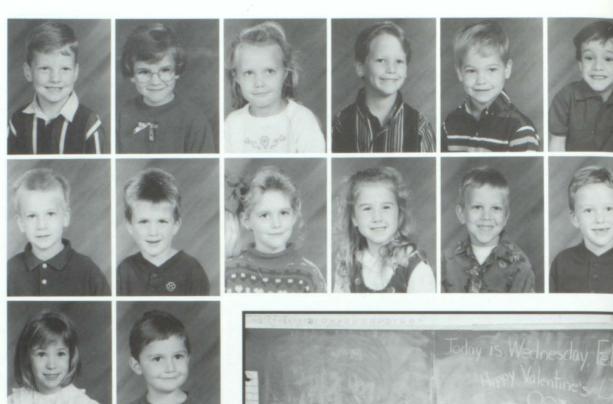




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Michael Waddell Cody Waggoner Becca Warten Jessica Webb Daniel White Parker White

Ashley Whitson Greg Zarate



Jordan Nelson, Brad Buzzard, Dakota Vincent, and Jessica Adkins participate in the Valentine's Party.



Devin Greenwood gets a taste of Halloween treats.



Mrs. Henning teaches her class about the Pilgrims.



ELEMENTARY LATERS











































Kyle Aleman, K Danny Bass, K Brandon Brown, K Zachary Caraway, K Cody Easley, K Denzel Kalua, K

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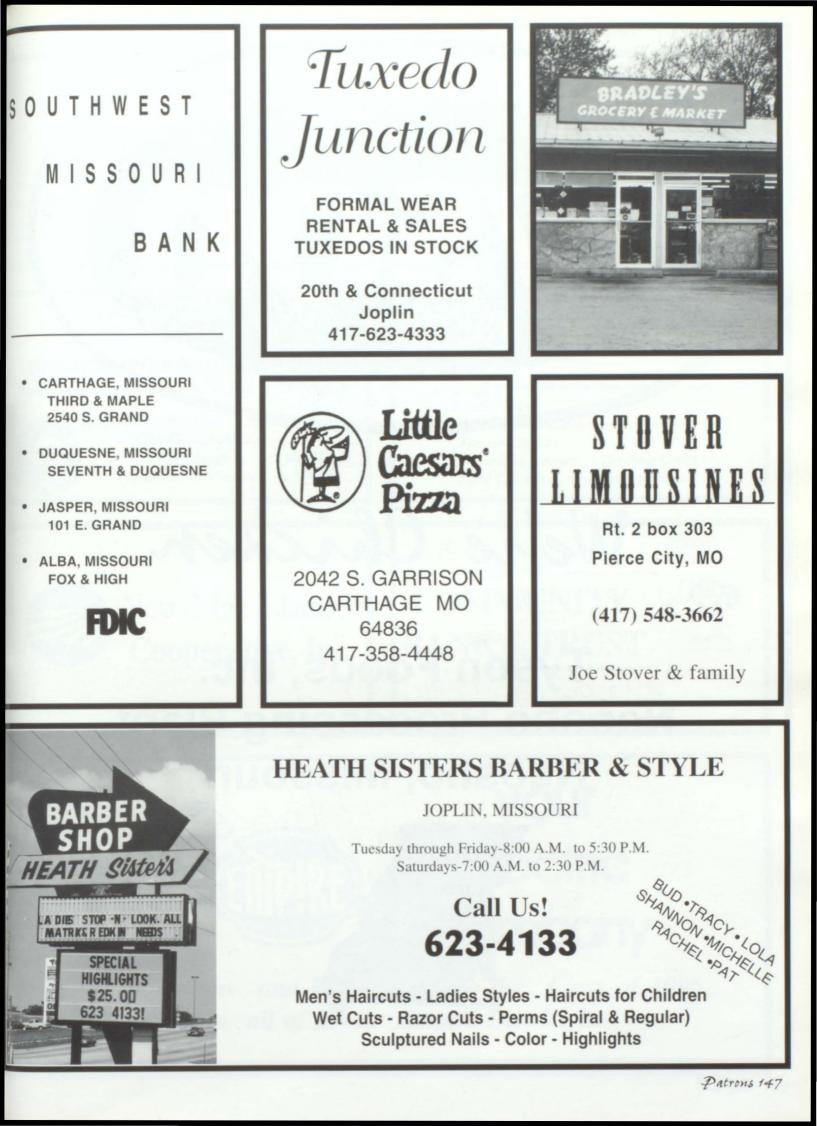
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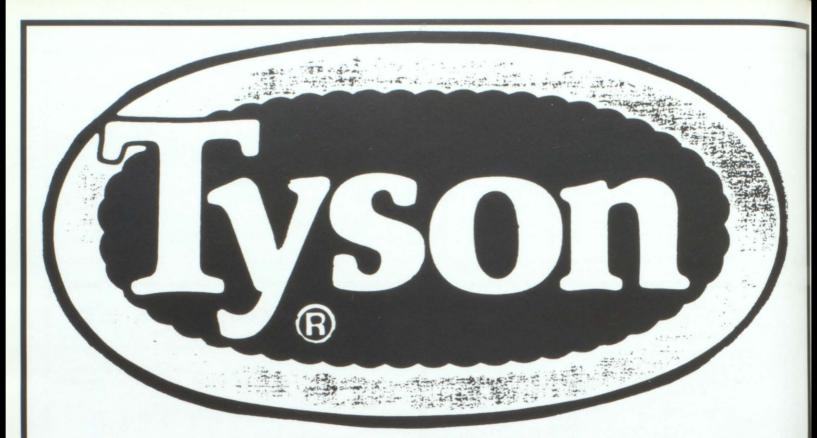
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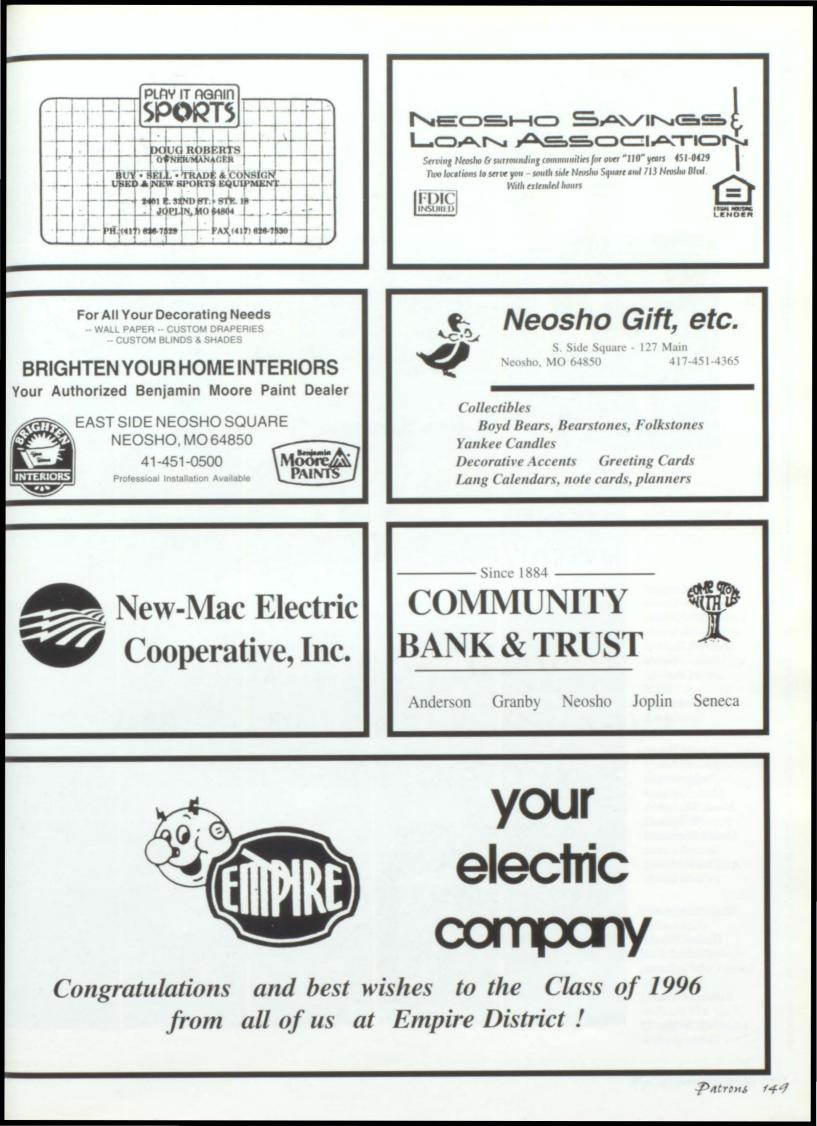




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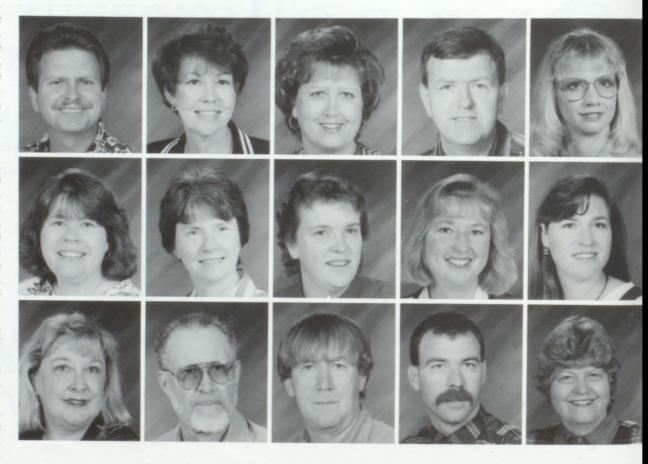


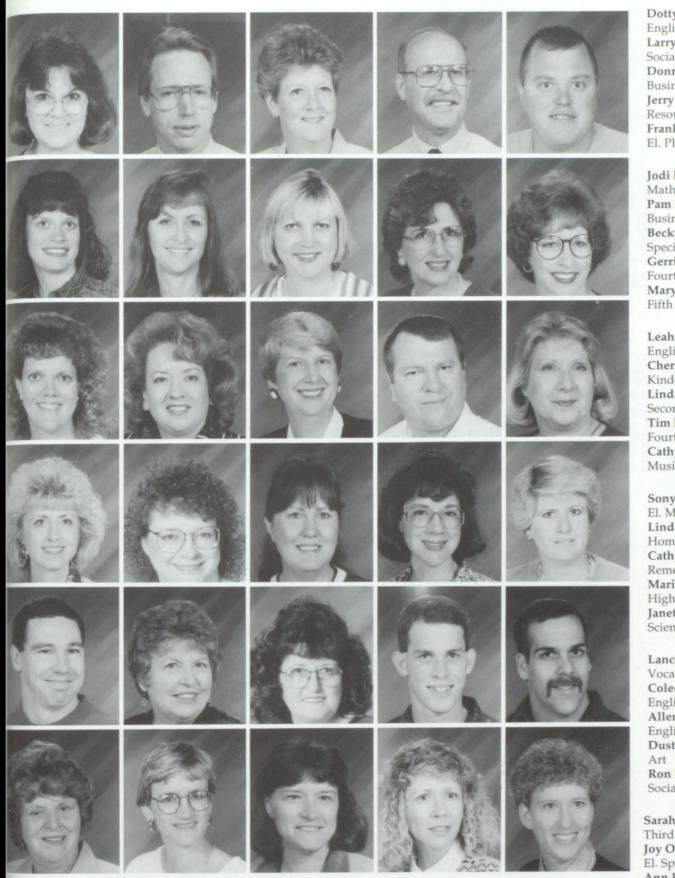
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Not pictured: **Marilyn Bettis,** Elementary Counselor **Shannon Lupini,** Elementary Art

Diamond School Board Members: front: Biff Beckett, Dr. Jim Pyron, Fred Ellison; back: Jim Waddell, Paul Holland, Bruce Youngblood, Dale Bradley.



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Early Childhood Program Director: Cindy Powers

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Randal Switzer retired after 28 years in the district. In addition to an expression of appreciation on behalf of the school board, Tiny Bridges presents Switzer with a toy fishing pole.



The Granby Area Masonic Lodge recognized outstanding educators: Linda Herron, elementary; Larry Augustine, middle school; Glynda Ball, secondary.





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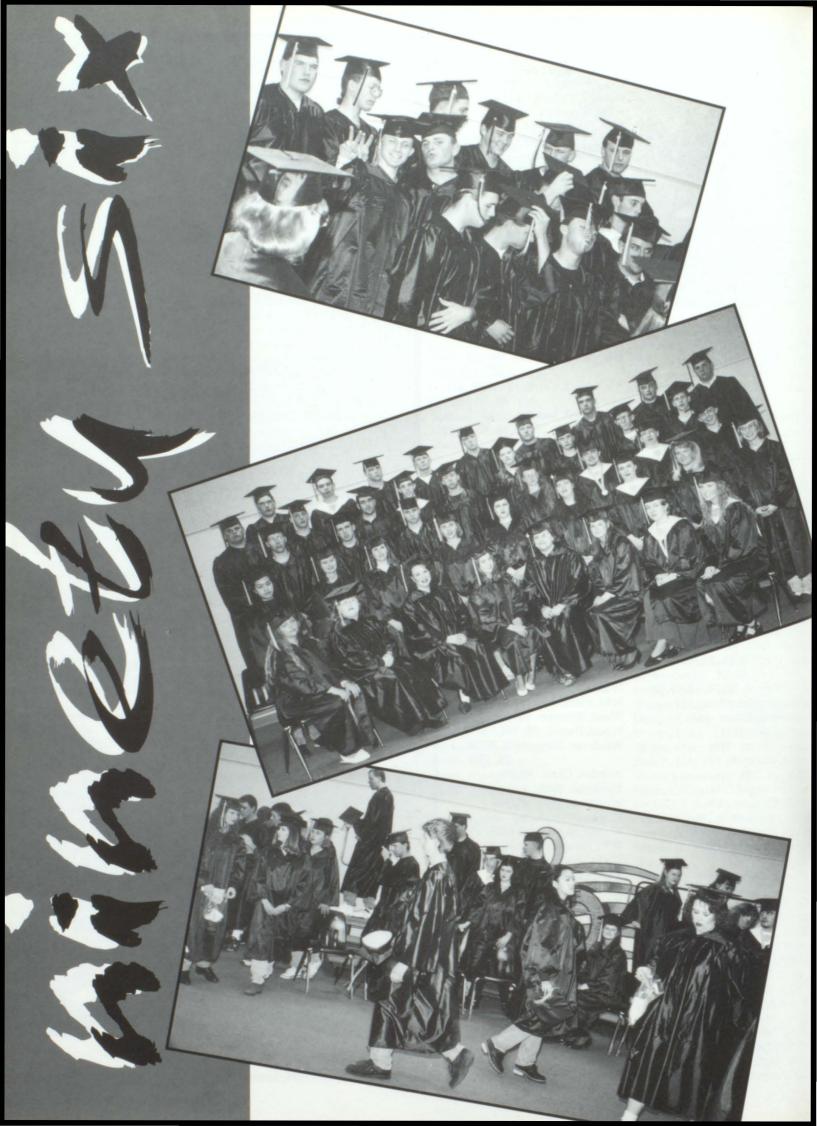
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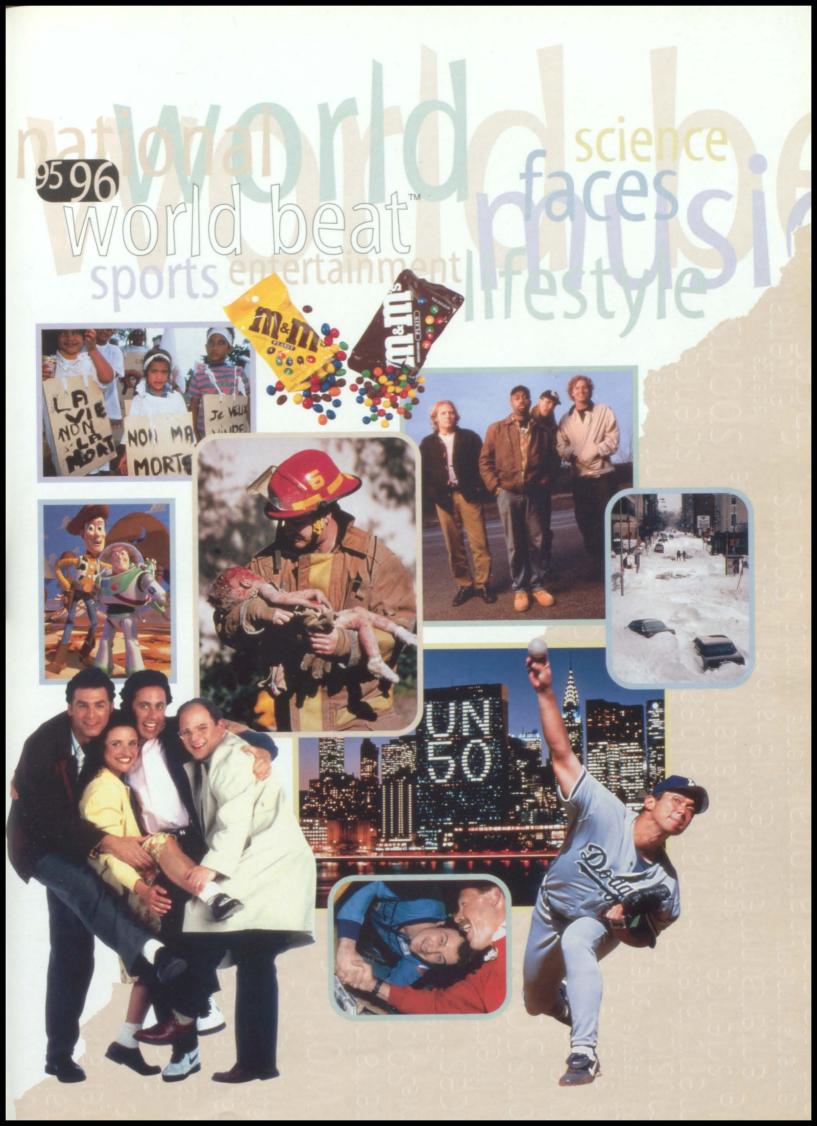
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The Class of '97 -- Winners in the Battle of the Classes





French transportation workers strike against their government throughout the month of December, shutting down the airlines and the metro system, after France increases the retirement age from 50 to 55 and lengthens the work week from 37 to 39 hours in efforts to cut spending.

AP/Wide World



Wrapped Dates "Wrapped Reichstag" for the city of Berlin by covering the former home of the German parliament with one million square feet of silver fabric in June.



Dope John Paul II visits New Jersey, New York and Maryland, and addresses the United Nations. He speaks out on social, economic, political and moral themes.



In late May, a doctor performs emergency surgery aboard British Airways flight 32 using a coat hanger, a knife and fork, and a scissors sterilized in brandy to save a woman whose life is threatened by a collapsed lung.

ahitian protests escalate I into riots after France detonates a nuclear test device 750 miles from the South Pacific island. France's September resumption of tests after a three-year moratorium brings global condemnation.



Heads of many of the 186 member nations gather in

New York to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United

Nations in October.

In a powerful address to the U.N.'s Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, attended by 30,000 women from 180 countries, U.S. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton declares, "Women's rights are human rights," to a desk-thumping, applauding audience



Shock waves hit the Middle East when Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is shot and killed while leaving a peace rally in Tel Aviv November 4. His murderer, Jewish extremist Yigal Amir, fanatically opposes peace negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.



Marxist Cuban President Fidel Castro abandons his Havana cigar and military fatigues for a suit and tie on a diplomatic visit to New York in October, where he tries to convince the U.S. to lift its 33-year-old trade embargo on still-communist Cuba.



Madman Shoko Asahara, leader of the Japanese apocalyptic religious cult, Aum Shinrikyo, is arrested on May 16 and charged with the Tokyo subway nerve-gas attack that left 12 people dead and injured 5,500 more in March.



Fifty years after the end of World War II, Japan remembers those killed by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A solitary building left standing after the blast, now a memorial called the Atomic Bomb Dome, symbolizes the horrors of war and the price of peace.





An earthquake kills 51 people Aon the resort-studded Pacific coast of Mexico. The quake measures 7.5 on the Richter scale and is felt 330 miles away in Mexico City.



he first U.S. president to visit Northern Ireland, President Clinton receives a warm Christmas welcome for his show of support for peace between Irish Protestants and Catholics.

Jurricane Marilyn inflicts millions of dollars of damage in the Virgin Islands in September. Winds up to 127 miles per hour severely damage half the homes on St. Thomas.





Hope blooms for peace in Bosnia when Bosnia's President Izetbegovic (left) shakes hands with Serbia's President Milosevic on the opening day of the November cease-fire talks in Dayton, Ohio. Croatia's President Tudjman looks on. The ensuing Paris peace agreement of December sends 60,000 NATO peacekeeping troops to the war-torn country.



In November, the Republic of Ireland narrowly passes a referendum calling for an end to the country's 1937 constitutional ban on divorce.

While competing in an international balloon race in September, two hot air balloonists, one English and one American, are shot down when their balloon floats off course over Belarus. The Belarussian army sees the balloon as a security threat and fires without warning. The balloonists fall to their death.

More than four years after Desert Storm, Irag's President Saddam Hussein remains in power, though two of his sons-in-law defect to Jordan on August 8 and call for Hussein's overthrow.

AP/Wide World





Quebec, Canada's largely Frenchspeaking province, defeats an October referendum on Quebec independence by a margin of less than one percent.



In July, without public explanations, Burma's military rulers free the country's most famous political prisoner, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of the pro-democracy movement and Nobel peace laureate, after six years of house arrest.



Russian figure skater Sergei Grinkov, 28, collapses and dies from a heart attack during practice with his wife-partner Ekaterina Gordeeva on November 20. The pair won two Olympic gold medals and four world pairs titles.



Great Britain's Princess Diana shocks Buckingham Palace with a tell-all BBC interview. Defying royal protocol, she discusses her marriage to unfaithful husband. Prince Charles, her struggle with depression and bulimia, and an extramarital affair. The majority of English people express their support and sympathy.



Securities trader Nicholas Leeson is arrested in Germany in March 1995 for fraud, forgery, and breach-of-trust. Leeson racked up a \$1.32 billion loss that caused the collapse of Barings PLC, the 233-year-old British bank.

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A San Francisco sewer line bursts under pressure from battering rainstorms, creating a monster sinkhole that swallows a \$2-million house in the Sea Cliff district. One-hundred-mile-per-hour winds knock out power to tens of thousands of homes and nearly blow a truck off the Bay Bridge.



hree days of drenching rains in the Pacific Northwest swell rivers to overflowing, causing severe flooding in Washington in December. In the town of Carnation, a pastor conveys a woman to dry land with a wheelbarrow.

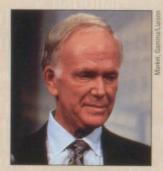






The federal government repeals the national 55-mile-per-hour highway speed limit, enacted in 1974 during the oil embargo. The legislation allows states to set their own limits. On Montana highways, speed limits are eliminated completely.

Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady (right) is rescued from pursuing Bosnian Serb forces by U.S. Marines on June 8, six days after his plane is shot down over Bosnia. O'Grady survived on insects, plants, and rainwater.



African-American men from Aacross the country converge

on Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March on October

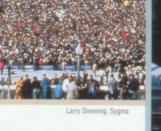
16. The march, led by Nation-of-

Islam minister Louis Farrakhan,

unity, dignity, and family values.

promotes African-American

U.S. Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon resigns on September 7, the day after the Senate Ethics Committee voted unanimously to expel him for sexual misconduct, embarrassingly detailed in his diaries, which were made public.





After a year of fame as a conservative revolutionary, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich slumps in popularity, tainted by the government shutdown, his stalled Contract With America, and investigations into his political action committee and his financial affairs.



Two-thousand volunteer firefighters battle a raging wildfire in eastern Long Island, New York, for three days in August. The fire, following a 21-day drought, consumes 5,500 acres of pine barrens and damages a dozen homes. There are no injuries or fatalities.



The nation comes to a standstill on October 3 as more than 150 million people watch live TV coverage of the outcome of the nine-month-long trial of the century. After less than four hours of deliberation, the jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson not guilty of the murders of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman.



Illinois suffers a record heat wave in July, with temperatures as high as 104°. The heat takes the lives of 457 people statewide. At Wrigley Stadium, Jaime Navarro helps faithful Chicago Cubs fans stay cool.



The image of firefighter Chris Fields holding one-year-old Baylee Almon, who later dies, comes to symbolize the horror of the April 19 bombing of the Oklahoma City Federal Building that killed 150 adults and 19 children. As more Americans invest, Wall Street enjoys a bull market. In November, the Dow-Jones Industrial

Average hits 5000, a milestone indicating healthy corporate profits and low interest rates.



Zielenbach, Chicago Tribune from Gamma/Lialso



On April 30, the adoptive parents of four-year-old "Baby Richard" comply with an Illinois court order to turn the child over to his biological parents.



The government shuts down for six days in November after the President and Congress fail to agree on how to balance the federal budget. The shutdown affects non-essential federal services, including the National Park Service. A longer shutdown follows in December.

flash

Despite Americans' doubts and fears, U.S. troops head for Bosnia in December. The 20,000 U.S. forces, serving under NATO command beside 40,000 European allies, face the task of keeping peace among the country's warring Serbs, Croats and Muslims.

The State of South Carolina sentences Susan Smith to life in prison for the drowning murder of her two young sons in 1994.

An anonymous donor sends St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis \$1 million in the form of a winning ticket from McDonald's November "Monopoly" sweepstakes game.

In the wake of a growing number of random attacks from assailants with knives and guns, White House security is forced to close Pennsylvania Avenue to traffic.

After allegedly ignoring federal pollution regulations for years, General Motors agrees under threat of an \$11-million fine to recall 500,000 Cadillacs at a cost of \$45 million.



A record snowfall paralyzes the East Coast in January 1996, stranding travelers and killing 100 people. Seven states, from Virginia to Massachusetts, declare emergencies. Philadelphia gets 30.7 inches of snow.



Charles H. Porter, IV, Sygma

Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1969 to 1986, dies in June at age 87. Though appointed by President Richard Nixon, he ordered Nixon to turn over tapes in the Watergate hearings that effectively ended the president's career.



The Washington Post publishes a manifesto written by the unidentified killer known as "The Unabomber," at large since 1978 and wanted for 16 mail bombs that have killed 3 and injured 23. FBI agents scrutinize the article for clues to the bomber's identity.



A Chicago commuter train slams into the back end of a loaded school bus. The accident, allegedly caused by a poorly timed stoplight placed too near the tracks, kills 7 students and injures 28 on October 25.



American women celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote. Women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) first organized the fight for suffrage in 1848.

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As the result of an improperly cleaned test tube at a fertility clinic, a woman in the Netherlands gives birth to twin boys, each from a different father. Wubbo De Jong/Het Parool from Sygma



Astunning photograph from the Hubble Space Telescope captures a moment in the birth of a star in the Eagle Nebula, 7,000 light years from Earth. Light from the young star's nuclear furnace lifts towering pillars of hydrogen gas and interstellar dust.





Dr. Jeffrey Fried, Gamma/Liaison



In March, the Federal Drug Administration approves a chickenpox vaccine. Rarely fatal, chicken-pox affects 3.7 million Americans annually.

Archaeologists discover a 3,000-year-old tomb in May that is believed to hold the remains of 52 sons of Ramses II, Pharaoh of Egypt.

Researchers announce that they have isolated a gene in mice linked to obesity. Mice with a mutated OB gene are injected with the hormone leptin, resulting in dramatic weight loss. The public is tantalized at the prospect of leptin as a slimming treatment for use in humans.



The world's first test-tube gorilla is born at the Cincinnati Zoo in October as part of an effort to save the western lowland gorilla, an endangered species that numbers fewer than 450 animals.



Fossils of a jawbone (left) and leg bone (right) found in Kenya in August reveal a previously unknown species of upright hominid that lived four million years ago, pushing the emergence of bipedalism back half a million years. Walking upright is a key adaptation that separates humans from apes.



Media attention focuses on melatonin, a naturally occurring hormone used to induce sleep and slow the effects of aging. Lauded as a wonder drug, a kilogram of synthetic melatonin sells for as much as \$10,000.



In a procedure known as tissue engineering, scientists grow a human ear under the skin of a laboratory mouse. Researchers hope the procedure will play an important role in the future of transplant surgery.



As a protective measure against counterfeiting in the era of digital publishing, the Treasury Department redesigns U.S. currency bills, to be issued over the next five years, starting early 1996 with the new \$100 bill. Former rivals in space become comrades in space after the nistoric docking of the U.S. space shuttle *Atlantis* and Russia's *Mir* space station on June 29. Astronaut Robert Gibson (in red) greets cosmonaut Vladimir Dezhurov. 2.8

In June, volcanic eruptions give birth to a baby island. A new member of the Tonga Islands emerges near New Zealand, 900 feet high and 140 feet wide.



Buyers rush to stores for the new computer operating system Windows 95, spurred by Microsoft Corp.'s \$700-million publicity barrage and the promise of a friendlier interface.



A. Tannenbaum, Sygma

The movie Apollo 13 opens in the summer after filming many of its scenes inside NASA's "zero gravity" plane, which mimics the weightlessness astronauts experience in space by diving into a 23-second freefall.



After a decade-long search, scientists isolate what may be the most important cancerrelated gene. The defective gene known as ATM is associated with cancers of the breast, colon, lung, stomach, pancreas and skin, and may be carried by two million Americans.

Astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope observe new moons orbiting the planet Saturn, adding at least 2 moons and possibly 4 to Saturn's previously known total of 18.

A team of French and British explorers believe they have found an ancient breed of horse previously unknown to scientists. In November, the four-foot high horse with a triangular head, which resembles the vanished horses of European Stone Age drawings, is named Riwoche for its home region in Tibet.

October satellite photographs show the recent rapid deterioration of the earth's ozone layer above Antarctica. Pollutants produced mostly by the U.S. cause the hole in the atmosphere's protective layer to increase to the size of Europe.



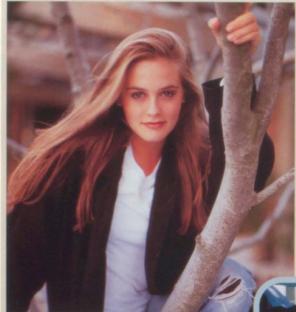
In November, Visa introduces a cash-storage card that eliminates a pocketful of loose change. A chip in the plastic card tracks the amount of available cash, which is accessed with a reader at the place of purchase. The card can be taken to the bank and reloaded.



Now virtual reality comes in a handy travel size with Nintendo's latest, Virtual Boy, a portable 3-D video-game system with stereophonic sound.

New research shows that the meat-eating Tyrannosaurus rex did not loom upright, but stalked along lower to the ground. The discovery is reflected in the reopened exhibits of the famed dinosaur halls of New York's American Museum of Natural History after three years of redesign.

Taces internet in the news



Already well known for her Appearances in Aerosmith music videos, 19-year-old Alicia Silverstone achieves stardom with the 1995 summer movie hit *Clueless*.



J.L. Bulcao, Gamma/Liaison

With \$150,000 saved during her 75 hardworking years as a washerwoman, Oseola McCarty establishes a scholarship fund for African-American students at the University of Southern Mississippi. For her selflessness, she is awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal.



Pamela Lee of "Baywatch" fame and husband Tommy Lee, Motley Crüe drummer, are the life of the party this year, frequently caught by the press engaging in public displays of affection.

Trailblazer Shannon Faulkner (hand to head) withdraws from the Citadel after collapsing during "hell week." Faulkner singlehandedly attempted to bust the gender barrier at the all-male South Carolina military institution.



Bill Jordan, Charleston Post Courier from Sipa Press



Millions of Americans tune in to Martha Stewart's TV show, subscribe to her magazine, and read her books. The popular cooking and home-decorating entrepreneur builds an empire by packaging a distinctive American nostalgic style.



Bill Gates, founder and chairman of the computer giant Microsoft, becomes the wealthiest man in the world on the success of his company's software. His book *The Road Ahead* hits *The New York Times* best-seller list.



Hot actor Antonio Banderas falls in love with another screen sexsymbol Melanie Griffith during the filming of *Two Much*. Banderas will co-star with Madonna in the film version of *Evita* and will star in Steven Spielberg-produced *Zorro*.



Seventies superstar John Travolta's motion-picture comeback in the 1994 hit *Pulp Fiction* continues with starring roles in *Get Shorty* and *Broken Arrow.*



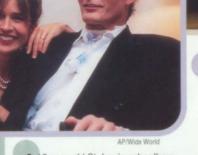
Sandra Bullock follows up her star-making role in *Speed* with the gentle romance *While You Were Sleeping*. Bullock's fresh, wholesome image earns her an "Entertainer of the Year" nomination from *Entertainment Weekly* magazine.

merica is disappointed in its high hopes for Colin Powell's 1996 Apresidential candidacy. At the close of his whirlwind book tour for My American Journey, the General and his wife Alma announce in November that he will not seek the Republican nomination.

My Point...And I Do Have One.

Pete Souza, Gamma/Llais





Alo-year-old St. Louis schoolboy, Larry Champagne III, becomes a hero by taking control of his school bus after the driver suffered a stroke Champagne is later awarded a \$10,000 scholarship by the bus company.

Stand-up comic and sitcom Star Ellen DeGeneres makes the best-seller list with her book

> their surprise marriage. The tabloids have a field day speculating about the reasons for the marriage (was it a coldhearted career move?) as well as the causes for the break-up (was he after Elvis' fortune?).

Calvin Klein's provocative CK

Jeans campaign causes an uproar in August, bringing nasty headlines, threats of retailer boycotts and an FBI investigation. The scandal only

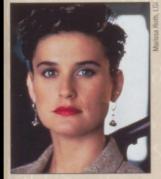
seems to help sales.

Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley announce their divorce almost a year after

Breaking the Surface, the autobiography of Greg Louganis, former U.S. Olympic gold-medal diver who revealed earlier that he has AIDS, debuts at No. 2 on the best-seller list.

Popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher, who transformed popping corn into a gourmet item, dies on September 19 from heart failure.

Two Chinese women set a new Guiness world record in November by living in a room for 12 days with 888 poisonous snakes. The previous world record, set in Singapore in 1987, was 10 days with 200 snakes.



Actress Demi Moore becomes the highest paid woman in Hollywood, able to command \$12.5 million per movie, even after this year's flop at the box office The Scarlet Letter, loosely based on Hawthorne's classic



Favorite of America's heartland for his You Might Be A Redneck If... jokes, Georgia-born stand-up comic and author Jeff Foxworthy gets his own ABC sitcom in which he plays himself



Model Beckford Tyson, singled out by Ralph Lauren for his all-American looks, signs an exclusive contract with the fashion designer in 1995.



Sandra Johnson, Retri

hristopher Reeve, in a

a portable respirator, appears

with his wife, Dana, at the

Jwheelchair and hooked up to

American Paralysis Association's annual gala on November 9,

less than five months after a fall

from a horse left him almost

totally paralyzed.

Miss Oklahoma Shawntel Smith is crowned Miss America on September 16. During the broadcast of the 75th pageant. viewers phone in their votes to retain the swimsuit competition.



John F. Kennedy, Jr., is cofounder and editor-in-chief of George, a glossy new magazine covering American politics. Hounded all his life by the press, Kennedy joins their ranks, contributing a feature interview to each issue.



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Batman Forever, with Val Kilmer in the title role and Chris O'Donnell as Robin, becomes the third Batman movie and the summer's topgrossing film.



United Artists from Shooting Star

The fifth actor to play 007 in the enduring film series begun in the 1960s, Pierce Brosnan abandons his Aston Martin for a BMW Z3 Roadster in *Goldeneye*, the latest and, some say, best James Bond movie.

Three 1995 movies bring Jane Austen classics to the silver screen: *Clueless*, based on Austen's novel *Emma*, and *Sense and Sensibility* and *Persuasion*.



Disney Pictures continues its line of animated blockbusters with the Native American legend *Pocahontas*. The picture previews in New York's Central Park to an outdoor audience of 200,000.



After an unpromising start, Conan O'Brien quietly gains popularity as host of NBC's "Late Night," a slot previously filled by David Letterman. Letterman's current show on CBS slowly loses viewers.



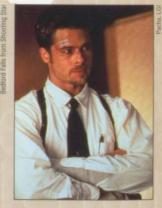
Whitney Houston stars in the December film release, *Waiting* to Exhale, adapted from Terry McMillan's best-selling novel about the lives of four middleclass African-American women. Houston sings the title song for the movie soundtrack, which enjoys brisk sales.



Denzel Washington, critically acclaimed for his performances in films *Crimson Tide* and *Devil in a Blue Dress*, receives highest praise from the City of Los Angeles, which honors him with the Martin Luther King, Jr., Award for his philanthropic work on behalf of children.



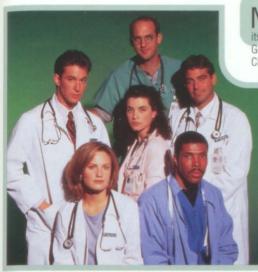
Although ABC cancels her TV series "My So-Called Life," 17-year-old Claire Danes hits the big screen in *How to Make an American Quilt, To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday,* and *Romeo and Juliet* with Leonardo DiCaprio as her co-star.



In the suspense-thriller Seven, heartthrob Brad Pitt attracts a wide male audience with his performance as a detective on the trail of a serial killer whose murders are based on the seven deadly sins.



Disney Pictures from Shooting Star



NBC's hospital drama "E.R." continues to draw high ratings throughout 1995 thanks to its dramatic realism and the appeal of handsome George Clooney (middle right), supermodel Cindy Crawford's latest date.

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star



Disney Entertainment spends \$19 billion to purchase the ABC television network in July.

Toy Story is the world's first entirely computer-animated film. Released by Disney during the Christmas season, it features the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, and Don Rickles.



Jim Carrey earns \$20 million for the starring role in the comedy *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, a sequel to the extraordinarily popular *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*.

The popular NBC TV series "Friends" returns for a second highly rated season. Its runaway success inspires less successful imitations by other networks.

flash

MTV introduces "Singled Out," an over-the-top dating game show where contestants ask random, pointless questions of a crowd of suitors, sight unseen, until the zany answers have eliminated all but that one perfect love match.

According to a Roper Youth Poll, the two hottest TV shows among teens this season are the daytime soap "Days of Our Lives" and the evening soap "Melrose Place."

"The Jon Stewart Show," a late-night talk show aimed at Generation X, fails to catch on. During the final taping, host Stewart says, "To all those people who said my show wouldn't last, I have only one thing to say. Good call."



Sam Jones, Gamma/Liaison

Devoted fans will not be denied another season of NBC's sitcom "Seinfeld" after all. Creator Jerry Seinfeld decides to keep his "show about nothing" going for an eighth season.



Ten years after creating the popular comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," cartoonist Bill Watterson retires in December.



Horror-fiction author Stephen King signs a deal with Signet books to release his upcoming story, *The Green Mile*, as a paperback series.



Fox TV's "The X Files" stars David Duchovny as an FBI agent who investigates supernatural phenomena. The show becomes a surprise hit, giving millions of viewers reason to look forward to staying home on a Friday night.

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Blues Traveler emerge from the underground scene to widespread popularity with their album *Four* and the single "Run-Around."



Their down-to-earth style and soulful pop songs make Hootie and the Blowfish popular favorites. Their debut album *Cracked Rear View* sells over 5 million, and the group is named Best New Artist at the MTV Music Awards in September.



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Rocker Melissa Etheridge follows topselling *Yes, I Am* with her fifth album, *Your Little Secret.* Cleveland-based rap group Bone Thugs-n-Harmony vault to the top of the charts with some old-fashioned harmonizing on the album *E. 1999 Eternal.*

Yoko Ono and Little Richard join a host of celebrities at the opening of the glitzy Rockand-Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland on September 1.



Twenty-year-old Canadian newcomer Alanis Morissette raises some eyebrows with her up-front, aggressive lyrics and attitudes. Nevertheless, her album Jagged Little Pill goes double platinum.



Sixties icon Jerry Garcia, guitarist of The Grateful Dead, dies of a heart attack on August 9 at age 53. Garcia's musical roots in blues, country and folk are apparent in hits like "Truckin'." Legions of Deadheads mourn his passing.



Brandy, whose self-titled platinum album and single "I Wanna Be Down" hit high on the R&B charts, sweeps the first Soul Train Music Awards in August. The 16-year-old singer wins Best New Artist, among other awards.



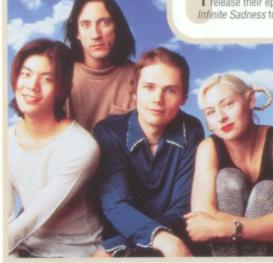
Beatlemania returns in 1995 with ABC's six-hour documentary *The Beatles Anthology*, the video releases of *A Hard Day's Night* and *Help!* and the album collection *Anthology*, featuring previously unreleased material.



The chart-topping movie soundtrack *Dangerous Minds* features Coolio's rap anthem "Gangsta's Paradise," the number-one single of the year according to *Billboard* magazine.

ive dedicate their single "Lightning Crashes" to victims of the Oklahoma City bombing. The rock band's Throwing Copper album yields three hit singles; Billboard Music Awards names them Rock Artist of the Year.





The Chicago-based rock band Smashing Pumpkins release their epic double album *Mellon Collie and the* Infinite Sadness to critical and public acclaim.



Mark Hauser, LG

Mariah Carey's Daydream sells over 5 million copies, taking number-one spot on the Billboard album chart. Carey performs with Boyz II Men on the hit single "One Sweet Day."

flash

R.E.M.'s summer tour is interrupted by medical emergencies for three of the band's four members. The tour, their first in five years, is eventually completed with all members in good health.

In October, David Bowie and Nine Inch Nails wrap up the U.S. portion of Bowie's world tour. At each show, Bowie and Trent Reznor's band play a set together. In December, Bowie tours Europe with Morrissey as his opening act.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers tone down their trademark bawdiness in their newest album, One Hot Minute.



tlanta's TLC is honored at the ABillboard Music Awards for providing two of the year's biggest hits. "Creep" and "Waterfalls" both lead the Hot 100 singles charts

ormer Nirvana drummer Dave Grohl plays a new sound as guitarist and lead singer in the Foo Fighters, an alternative rock band that enjoys three singles off their self-titled debut album in 1995.

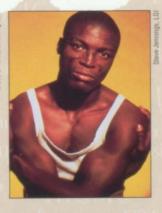




A hard-luck story turns into overnight success in the case of Canadian Shania Twain, born in poverty to an Irish mother and an Ojibway Indian father. Twain's 1995 hits include "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been Under? "Any Man of Mine" and the title tune to her 3-million-selling album The Woman In Me.



Success doesn't mellow the style of alternative rock band Green Day, who release their anxiously awaited fourth album Insomniac their fastest and darkest album to date.



Seal's hit off the Batman Forever movie soundtrack, "Kiss From a Rose," is all over the summer playlists. The single propels the artist's self-titled album to the double-platinum mark.



With the record-setting sales of his album Fresh Horses, only three musical acts in U.S. history outsell country music icon Garth Brooks: the Beatles, the Eagles, and Billy Joel.



Selena, the 23-year-old Tejano music queen, is gunned down in Corpus Christi in March 1995 by Yolanda Saldivar, former president of her fan club. The July release of a collection of Selena's hits, Dreaming of You, sees some of the fastest sales in music history.

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The New Jersey Devils win the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, beating the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four straight games.

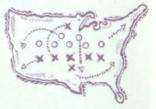
nternational soccer star Michelle Akers, world's top woman player, leads the U.S. women's soccer team to a 2-1 sudden-death victory over Norway in the U.S. Cup title game in August.







In Super Bowl XXX, the heavily favored Dallas Cowboys beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 27-17. Dallas cornerback Larry Brown ices the game for the Cowboys with the second of his two interceptions, and is named MVP for his heroics.



The most controversial moves are off the field this season as the Cleveland Browns NFL franchise announces its move to Baltimore and the Houston Oilers announce their move to Nashville.

In May 1995, Peter Blake's Team New Zealand in "Black Magic 1" defeats Dennis Conner's team in "Young America" in the first 5-0 sweep in the 144-year history of the America's Cup.



Jeff Gordon, 24, dominates the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing's Winston Cup, winning 7 of NASCAR's 31 races and earning \$4.3 million in 1995 a record for the sport.



The University of Nebraska demolishes the University of Florida, 62-24, in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl to win their second consecutive national college football title and cap Cornhuskers coach Tom Osborne's 23rd season.



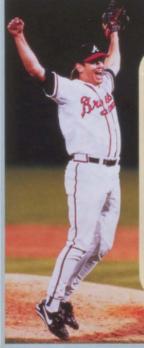
The Houston Rockets, led by center Hakeem Olajuwon, win their second consecutive National Basketball Association championship in June, sweeping the series with the Orlando Magic in four games.



Twenty-one-year-old tennis champ Monica Seles, returning to competitive play two years after being stabbed at a tournament in Germany, wins the 1995 Australian Open.



Hall-of-Famer Mickey Mantle, a switch-hitter and one of the great sluggers in baseball history, dies of cancer on August 13. Mantle hit 536 home runs in his 18-year career and compiled a lifetime batting average of .298. The Atlanta Braves edge the Cleveland Indians 1-0 in game six to win the World Series on October 28. Closing pitcher Mark Wohlers leaps for joy.





n September, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken, Jr., achieves a record-setting 2,131 consecutive games.

Ric Stewart, Allsport

playoffs against the Orlando Magic in May 1995.

The National Basketball Association fines the Chicago Bulls \$25,000 when Michael Jordan wears his previously retired number 23 jersey for luck during championship



German tennis star Steffi Graf, Slam titles in 1995, ends the professional tennis season ranked number one in the world.

National Basketball Association referees strike against the league for much of the autumn. Fill-in officials spark complaints of substandard refereeing.



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Former L.A. Lakers point guard Earvin "Magic" Johnson announces a return to basketball in January 1996. Johnson retired in 1991 when he discovered he was HIV positive.

The Northwestern University Wildcats—long a gridiron laughingstock—pile up ten victories in 1995 and go to the Rose Bowl for the first time since 1949.

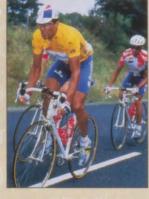
In his first fight in four years, former v.orld heavyweight champ Mike Tyson disposes of challenger Peter McNeeley in 89 seconds. Tyson, who in March finished a three-year jail term for a rape conviction, earns \$25 million for the August boxing match.

Pete Sampras, winner of the 1995 men's singles championships at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, ends the professional tennis season with a number-one world ranking.

Master of the sinking fastball and still learning to speak English, L.A. Dodgers pitcher Hideo Nomo, formerly with the Kintetsu Buffaloes in Japan, is named Rookie of the Year. Nomo is the second Japanese-born player to join the U.S. major leagues, and the first All-Star.



Known for his temperamental personality, his many tattoos and his aggressive playing style, basketball center Dennis Rodman (91) debuts with the Chicago Bulls after his trade from the San Antonio Spurs.



For a record fifth straight time, Miguel Indurain of Spain wins the 22-day, 2,270-mile Tour de France, the world's premier bicycle race. On the 15th day of the race, Italian road-race champ Fabio Casartelli is killed in a seven-man crash.



Betsy King wins her 30th tournament on June 25 and gains entry to the Ladies' Professional Golf Association's Hall of Fame, one of the most difficult attainments in sports.



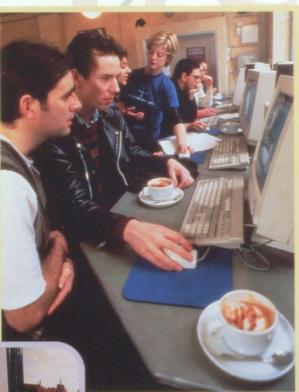
Quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins sets four lifetime passing records during the 1995 football season: 47,003 yards, 342 touchdowns, 3,686 completions and 6,467 attempts.



The most recent fad in purses takes the form of small backpacks.

Designer water spreads to the pet world. Doting pet owners buy tuna-flavored bottled water for Fluffy and beefflavored bottled water for Spot.





A mericans consume culture and history Aas attendance at America's 8,000 museums climbs to 600 million people per year, more than movie, theater, and sports attendance combined.

iners are treated to variations on theme cafes, as Hard Rock Cafe is joined by Fashion Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Harley-Davidson Cafe, and London's Cyberia Cafe

where patrons sip coffee and surf the Internet.

first in Athe long. popular history of M&M's candies: a new blue M&M joins the colorful candycoated mix.



ogo-wear reaches a new level of sophistication. Among the reigning makers of athletic wear, only Nike can spark recognition without the use of its name.

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Young people continue to follow the wide-leg jeans trend, forsaking tight jeans for a loose baggy fit.



The tattoo craze leads to some regret but recent laser developments keep people from being marked for life. Pulsed laser light, a different wavelength for each color in the tattoo, removes pigment without leaving scars.

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Girly things enjoy a surge in popularity with young women, who wear baby barrettes, knee socks, tiny t-shirts, little jumpers, and funky Maryjanes, and kid around with "Hello Kitty" accessories.



Taking her place among controversial talk-show hosts as the "Oprah for the junior set," Ricki Lake speaks to such concerns as, "Mom, when my boyfriend gets out of jail, I'm taking him back."



The angel message of "fear not" strikes a deep chord with Americans' yearning for spiritual growth and comfort in a stressful time. People enjoy angel collectibles, angel sites on the Internet, and angel books and magazines.



"Some pretty cool people drink milk" is the message carried by a high-profile ad campaign featuring a raft of popular celebrities sporting a white upper lip on behalf of the healthy beverage. The milk-moustache effect is created with latex, a rubber-based paint.







