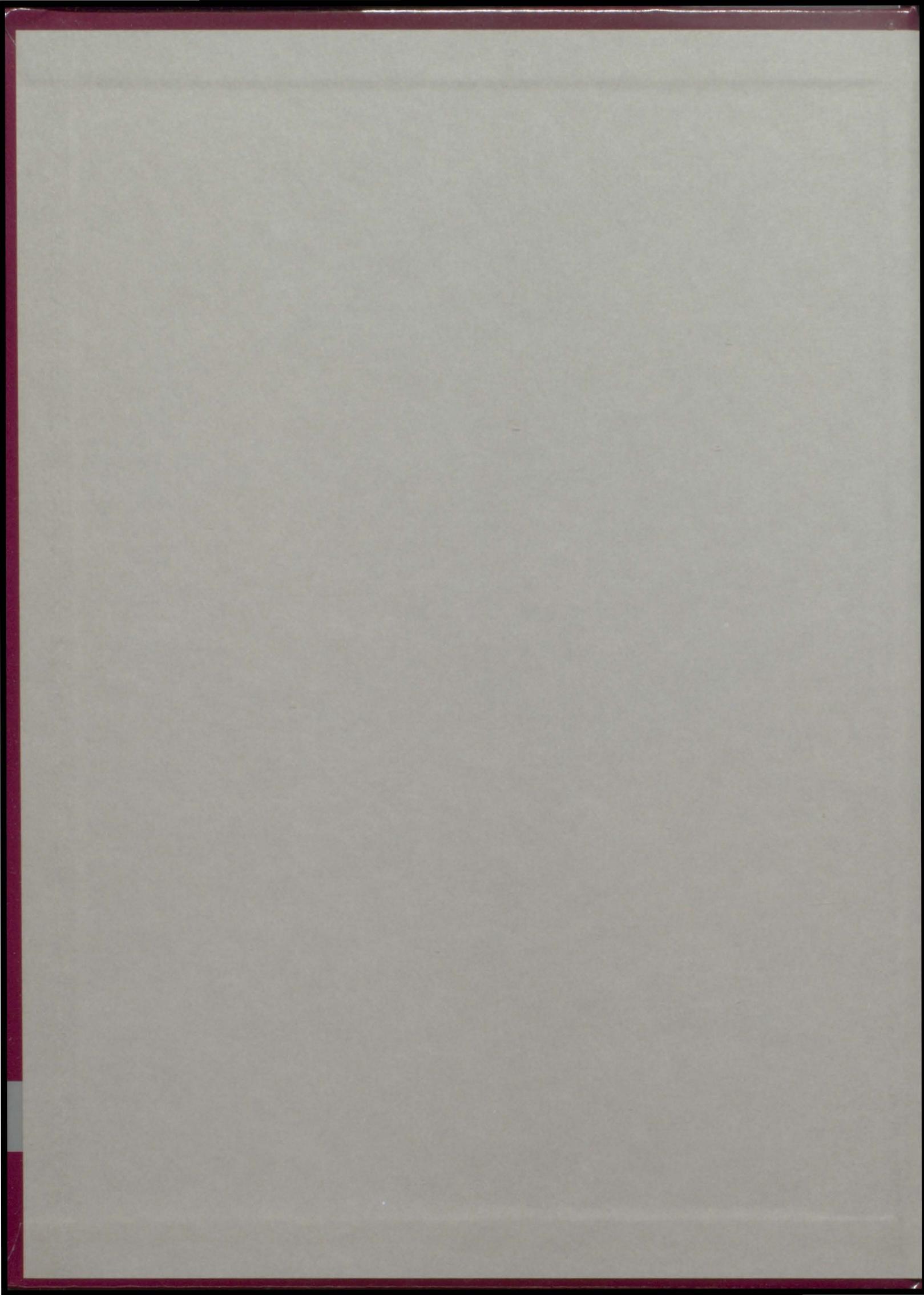


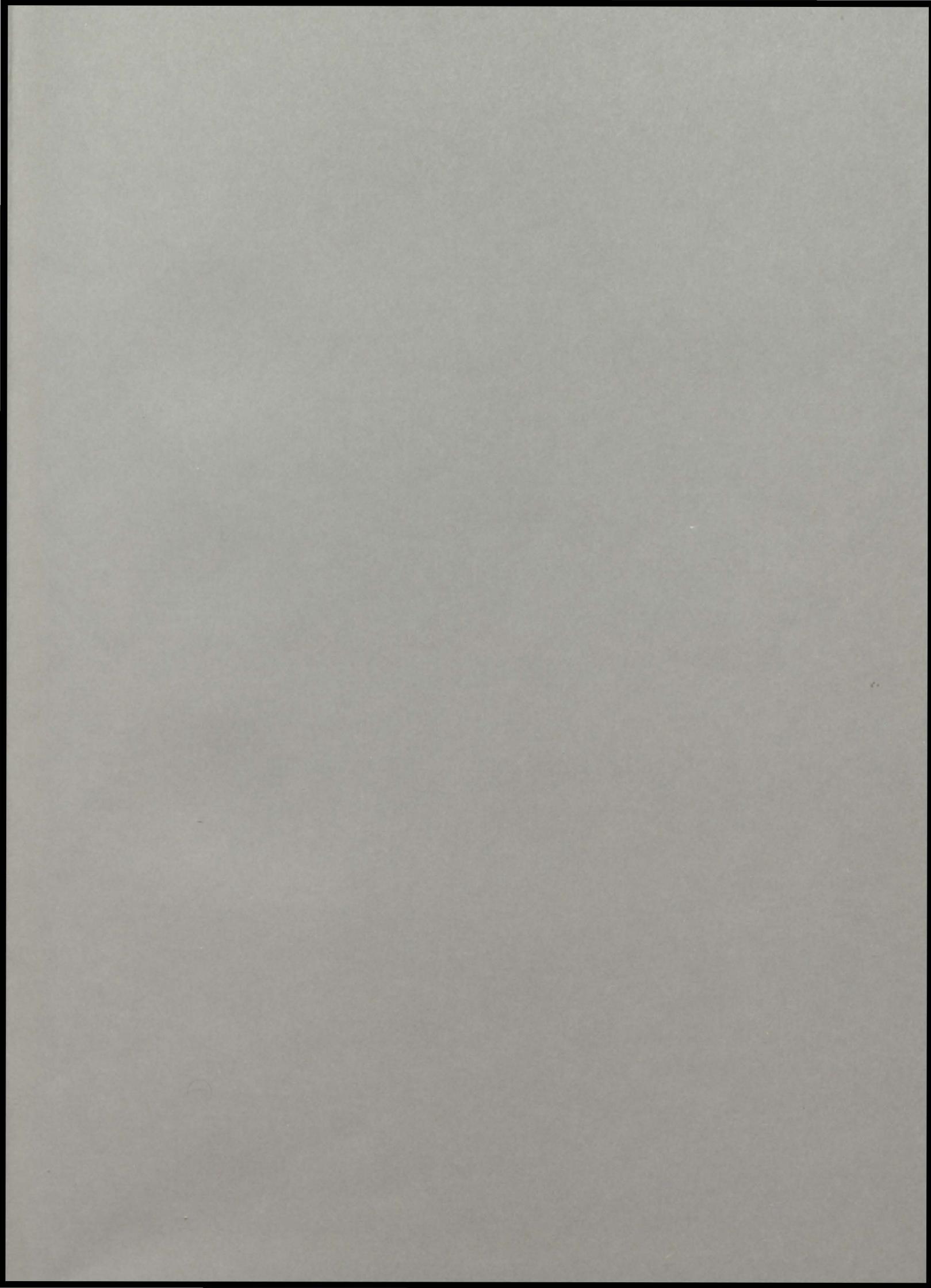


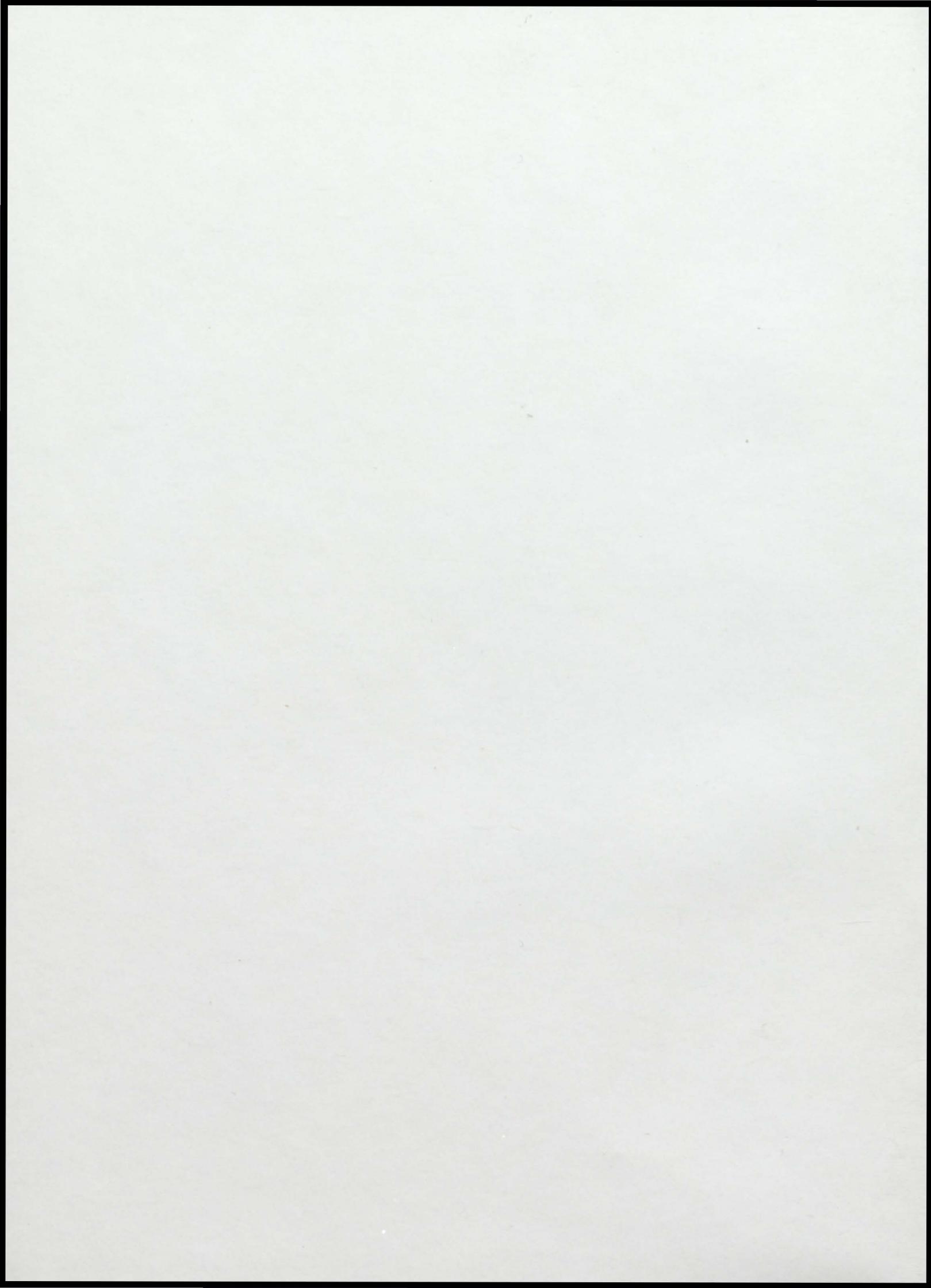
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THE
IDENTITY

Within







2004-2005

The Identity Within



What is Our Identity?

What is our identity? Is it something we find, or is it something that we are born with, something we always have within? In high school many students find their identity, but many also find that their identity is something they had all along. The school year of 2004-2005 was a year of finding identities, and through this book, you will see many identities unique to Willow Springs High School.



PROUD TO BE A BEAR FAN

Jordan Johnson was into the game, as everyone could tell, with her game face.

BY JOY LABAYAN
& CASSIE CASEBEER

FOCUS

ON YOUR OWN

IDENTITY



MINE! MINE!

Being extremely protective over her fish pet, Lindsey McElyea gave everyone else the look to not touch her new toy.



MISS PIE.

Smiling proudly at her accomplishment, Clara Madden showed everyone her face of honor.



NEW Q-TIPS.

Surprise. Surprise. Tyler Newton found a new tool to clean out the inside of ears.



LOOK AT ME!

Showing off his gymnastics skills, Jordan Reaves did a handstand against the wall.



...WHILE EVERYONE FOCUSED ON THEIR OWN LIVES,
OUR CAMERA FOCUSED ON THEM...

FOCUS Starting off the new year, everyone put on his or her thinking cap and began to *focus*. Teachers focused on lesson plans and their new students. Mr. Hutsell, along with many faculty staff members and the school board, focused together to accomplish their goals. Freshmen focused on starting a new school. Athletes concentrated in practices, focusing to defeat the opposing team at games. Being their last year in school, seniors focused on a lot of things: spending time with friends, ACT tests, college applications, and their future careers. *But while everyone focused on their own lives, our camera focused on them. We moved in close, captured both the smiles and the frowns, and captured them finding their own identity.*

- Class Mugs - Senior Superlatives - Parent Pages - Best Friends -

A New Identity - Freshmen



Ruth Woolf and Chloa Cronin



Dallas Bridwell and Jordan Chilton



Arnold Schwarzeneger, George W. Bush, and Bill Cosby



Julia Krinke and Chelsea Newman

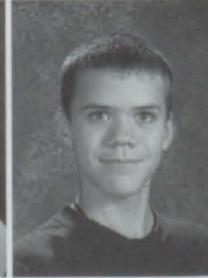
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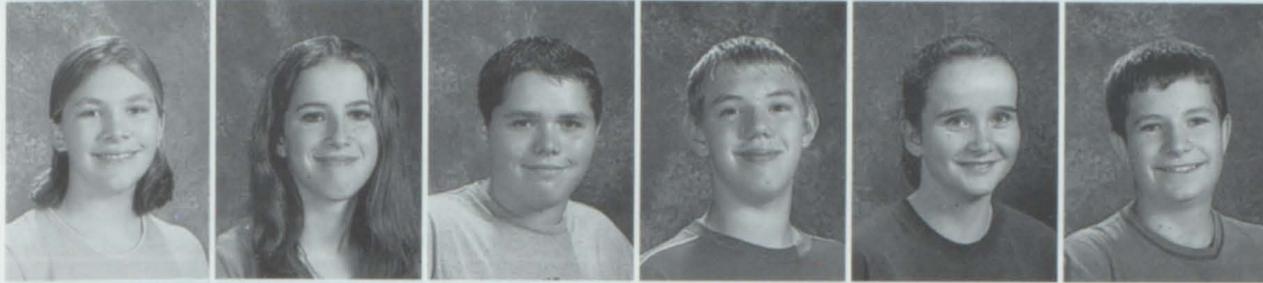


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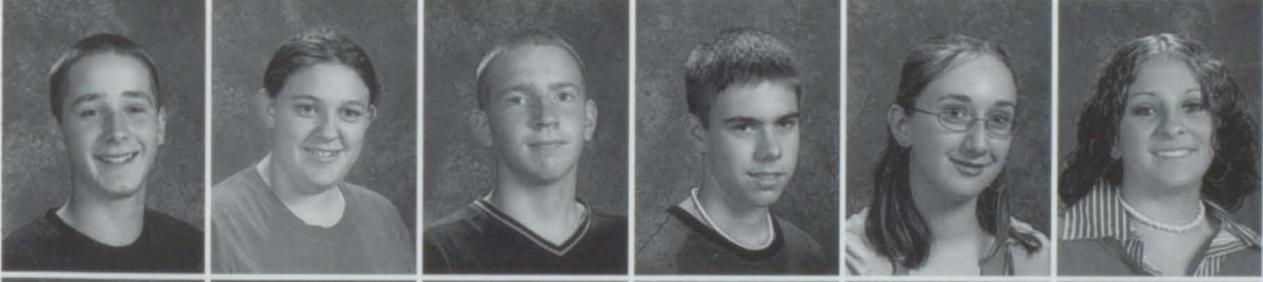
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 Graig Green
 Jesse Green



Melinda Grogan
 Tiffany Grogan
 Tarra Hackworth
 Blake Haugsted
 Lukas Helmers
 Shelby Holland



Robert Holmes
 Trudy Hoyt
 Seth Hurtt
 Alex Jezzard
 Claudette Johnson
 Tamirah Jones



Travis Knee
 Joshua Kraus
 Julia Krinke
 Danielle Land
 Diane Latimer
 Adam Lebeau

Kaelia Lee
Denise Lemon
Kayla Letterman
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Carrie Lovan
Christine Lovan



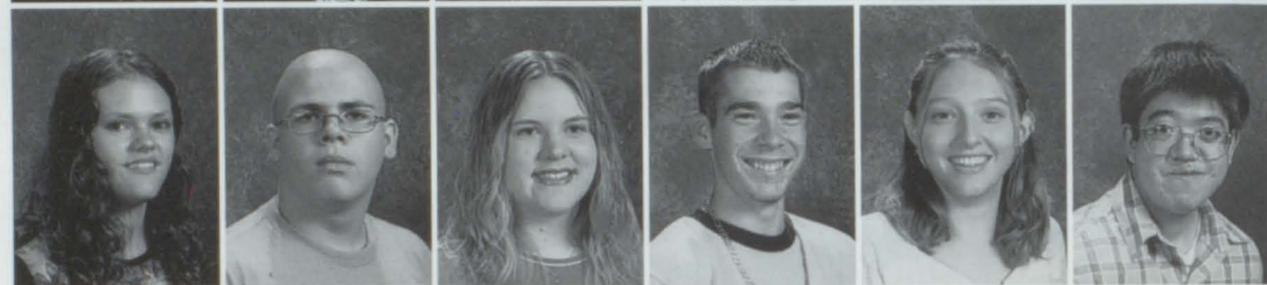
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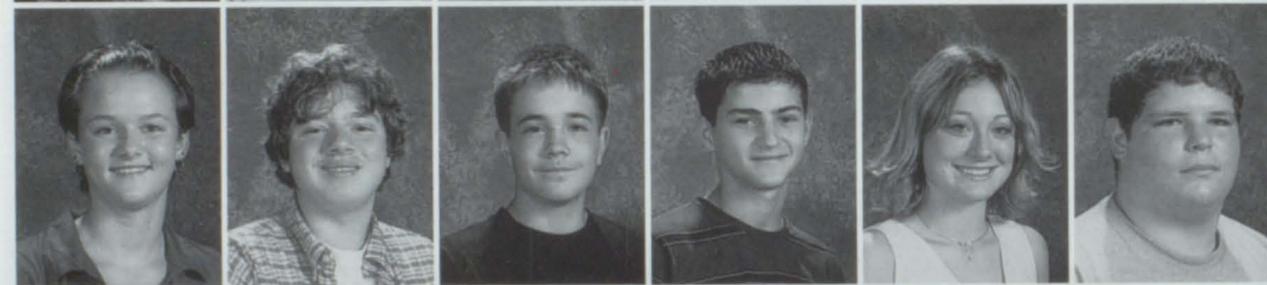
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Nadia Pavlova



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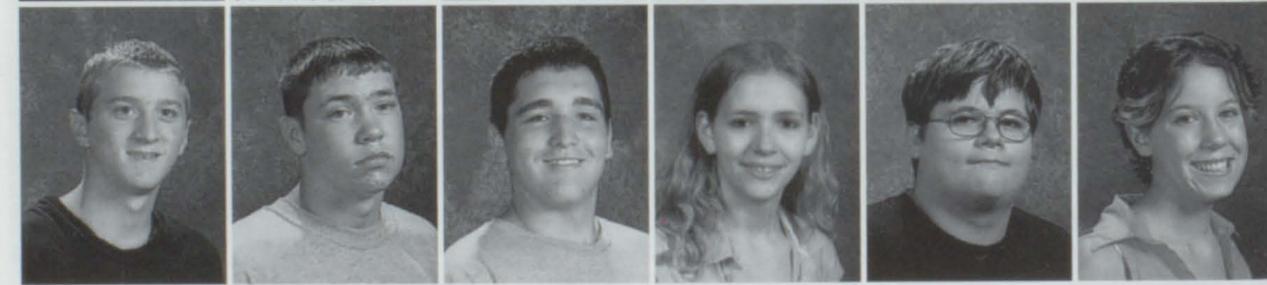
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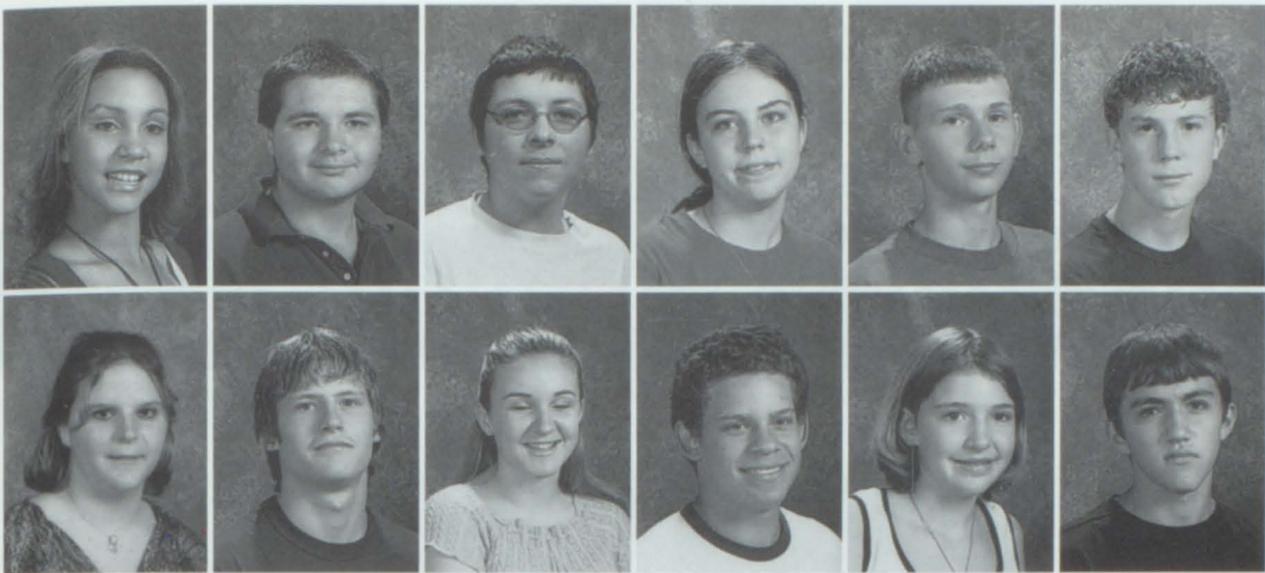


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Nathan Smith
April Stinn
Erika Summer
Isaiah Surritte



Jessie Tasker
Chris Thomas
Steven Thomas
Tarissa Toll
Craig Vermillion
Jordan Vitela





Audrianna Wake
 Immanuel Ward
 Keeling Ward
 Veronica Watson
 Billy White
 Jonathan White

Paula White
 Brick Wilce
 Chelsea Williamson
 Chad Woodard
 Ruth Woolf
 Nikolay Yakovelev



The Class of 2007

Trail of Clues - Sophomores



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Dustin Barton
Amamda Beltz
Casey Bonar
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Bobby Brooks

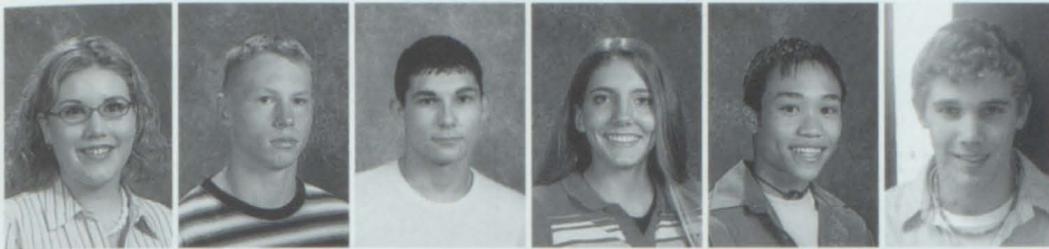


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Chance Collins

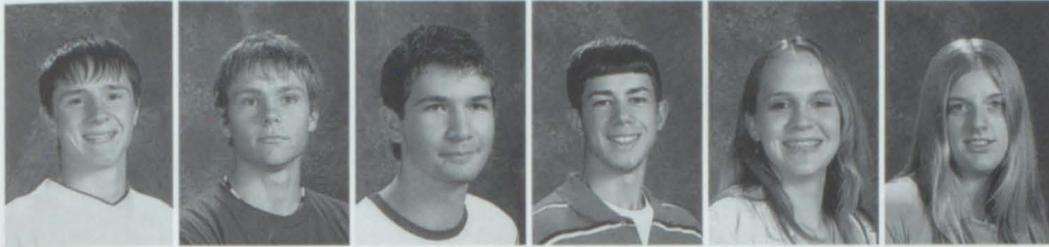


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Jessica Cooper
Cody Corman
Sandy Crawford





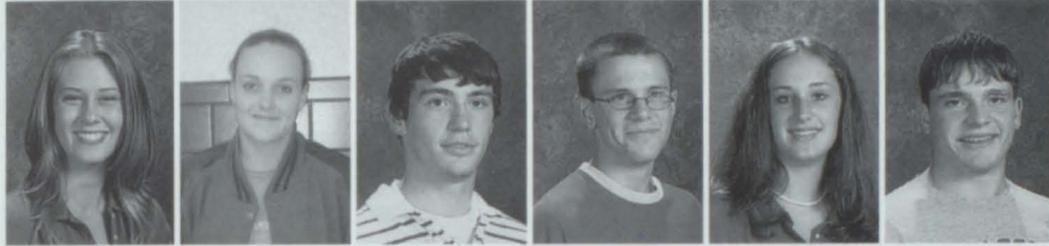
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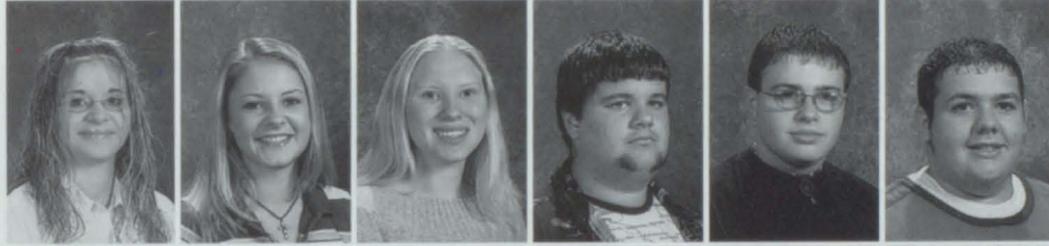
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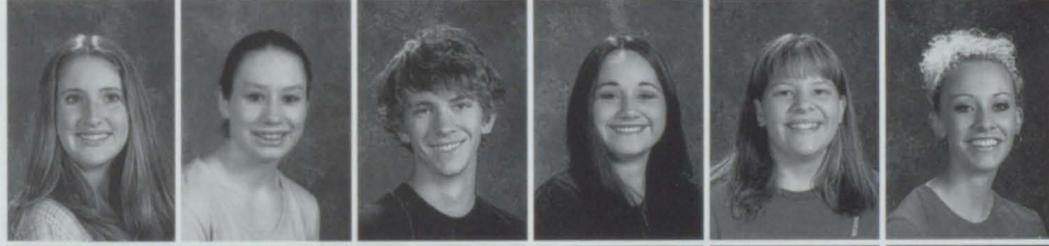
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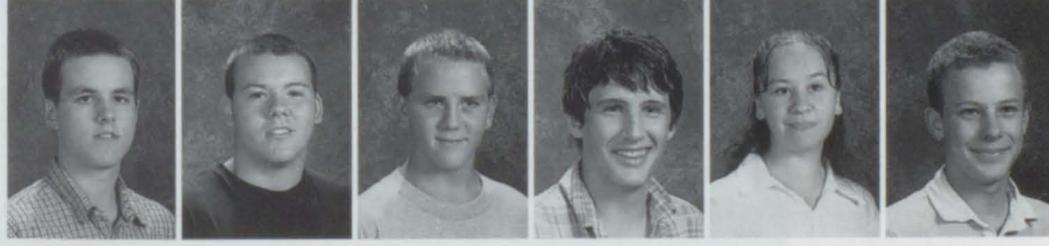
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 Crystal Lathrop
 Conor Lenihan
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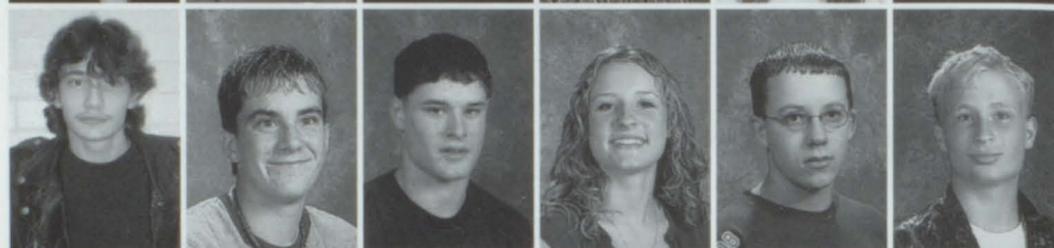
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 Casey Rose
 Drew Rouse
 Oleg Seu
 Ashley Smith
 Daniel Somsel



Kurtis Story
 Levi Summers
 Austin Tipton
 Bethany Traw
 Matthew Tyler
 Clint Ussery



Tory Waggoner
 Shannon White
 Joshua Wittington
 Kacey Willard
 Alicea Williams
 Elliefay Yanko



Four Thumbs Up? Savanna McElyea and Ruth Deatherage show their overwhelming approval for the sophomore class.

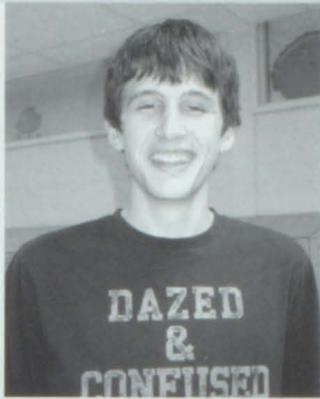
New Girl? Cody Corman goes drag and sits in a canoe in the pursuit of a good grade on his English project.



How does it feel to finally get your drivers license?



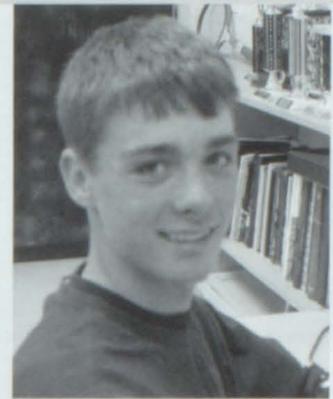
"It makes me happy to know that I can drive without my parents and drive as fast as I want!"
-Jordan Johnson



"Great!!!!"
-Scott Myers



"Awesome! I was yelling and screaming the first time I drove by myself because I was so excited!"
-Ruth Deatherage



"Good, I like it! I hated my parents having to drive me around!"
-Ty Collins



Let' Play the Cup Game!
Students in Mrs. Miller's Biology I class play the "cup game" before starting class for the day.



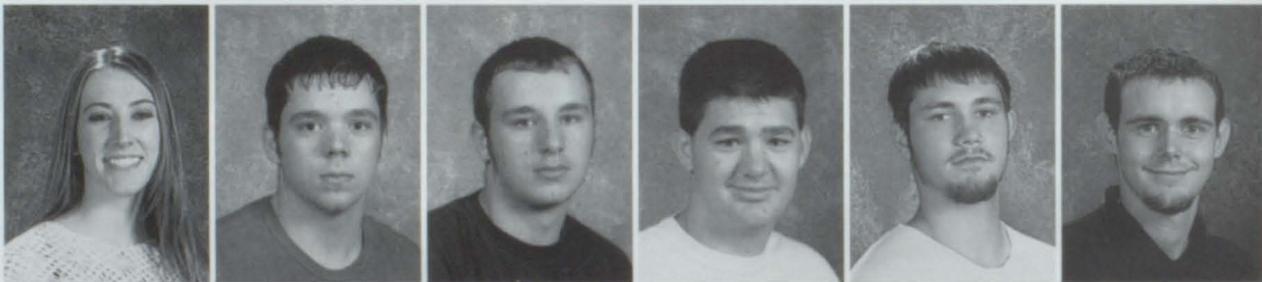
Test Time!
Chris Evins takes a test in the library during World History.

Peek-a-Boo!
Kacey Willard discovers she can fit in a sophomore locker. Maybe a new technique for skipping class?

One Step Away - Juniors



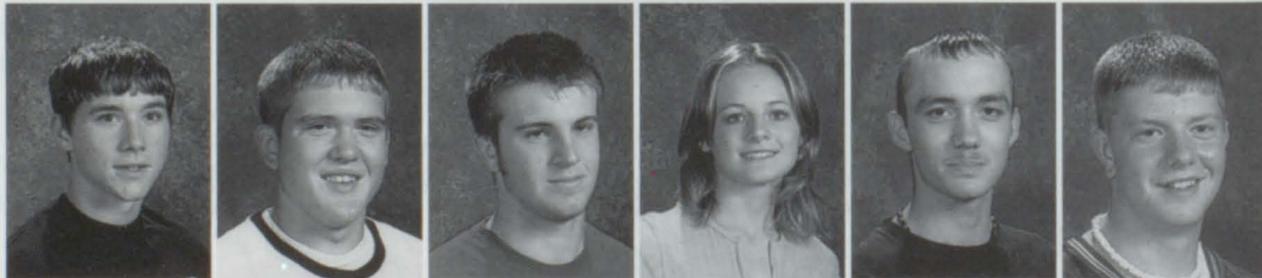
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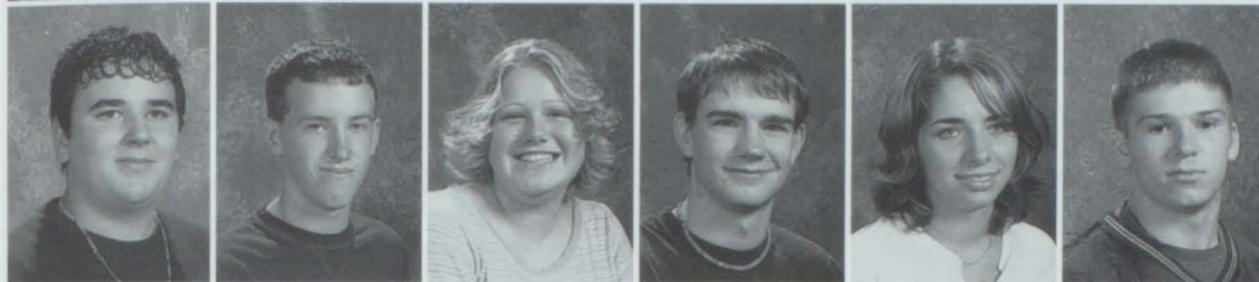


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Matthew Cooper
Andrew Corey





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 Thelma Davis
 Fran Domingo
 Abbie Dyck
 Thomas Ewers
 Chris Gilmore



Dustin Green
 Randy Green
 Cassie Hamby
 David Hughey
 Kasia Jaszowska
 Brandon Johnson



Kayla Jones
 Heather King
 Kyle King
 Andrea Kruse
 Nathan Law
 Seul-Gi Lee



Brittney Lovan
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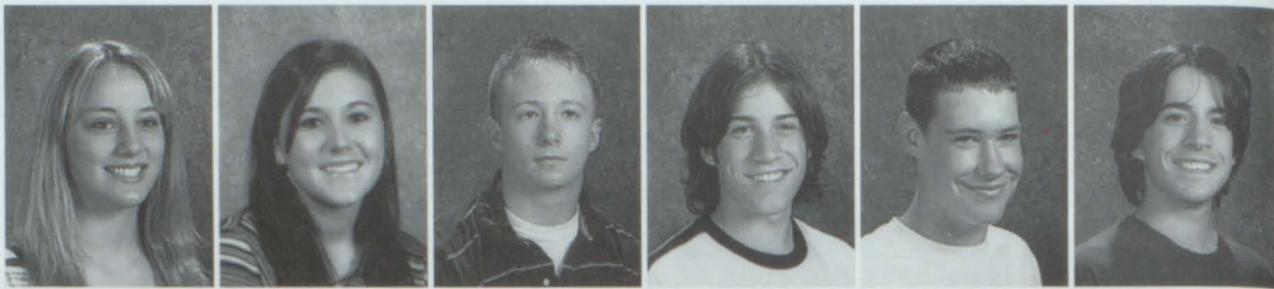


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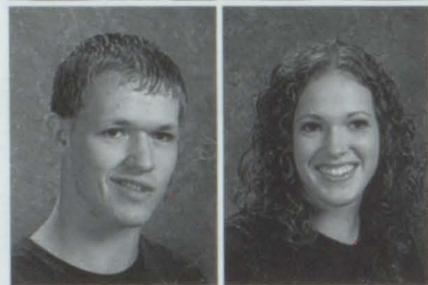
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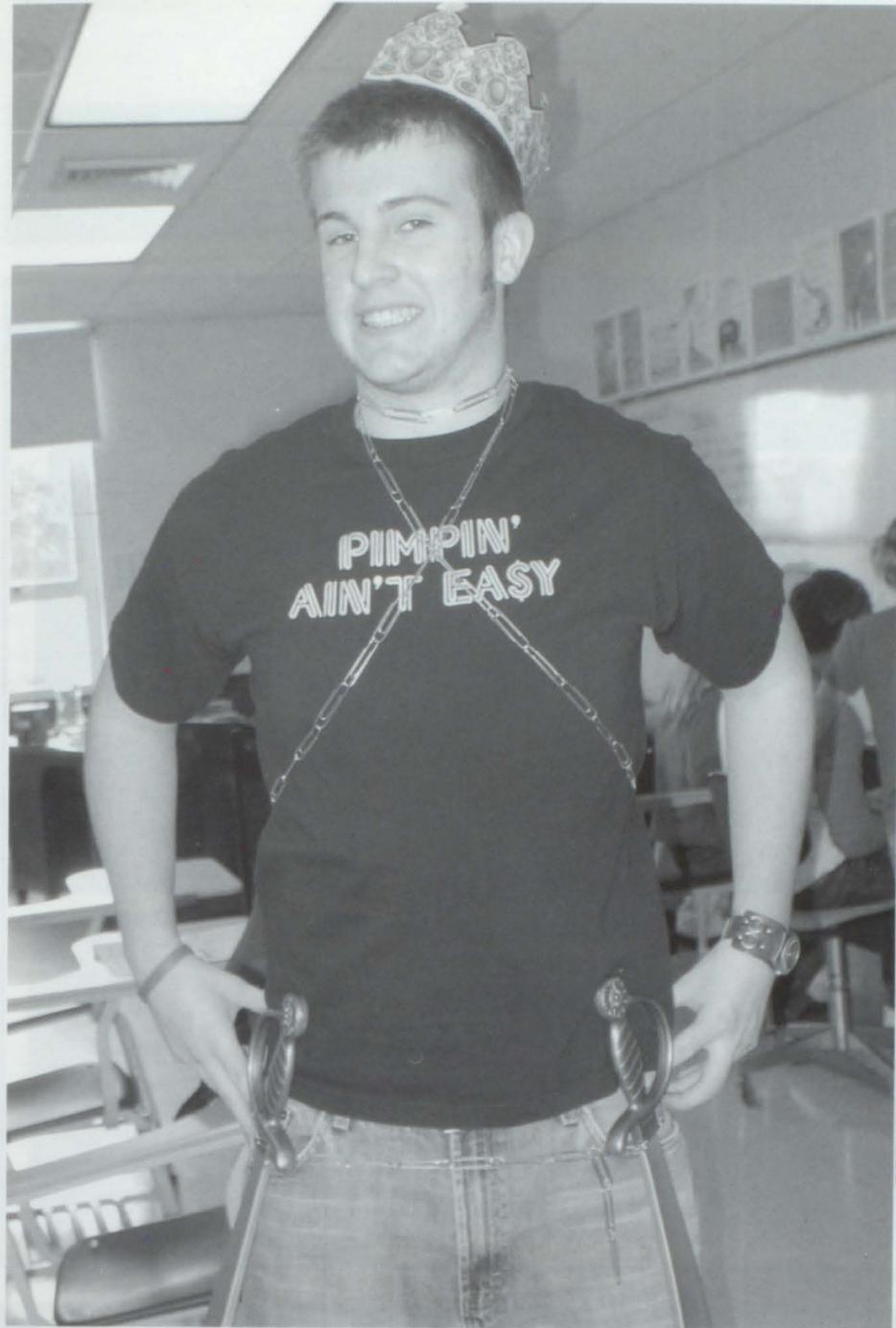


William Wiese
Kiley Woodring



Below Clockwise: **Yee-Haw** Beth Pitts plays rodeo with the chairs as she shows off her flexibility. **The Magic of Books** Kayla Allcorn gets caught up in her novel and laughs outloud. **Auto Repair 101** Tyler Cooley and Kayla Jones get a real life lesson in auto repair watching a car window being installed.





He's Got Style!

Tyler Cooley sports his amazingly fashionable style, while taking a break from class.

Let's Get Serious

Jordan Reaves and Beth Mason carry on what looks to be a very serious discussion.



Study Time

Courtney Colley crams hard before the big exam.

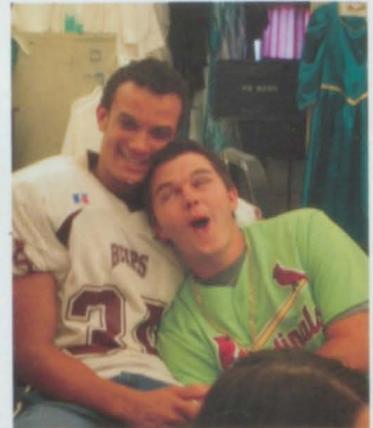
The Key to the Future

Joe McDonald looks for the key that will unlock the door.



Identity Found

Senior Class 2005



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Molly Adams



Adam Alsup



Shawn Anderson



Andrew Bailey



Anna Beason



Eric Biring



Sarah Bishop



Larry Brashers



Annie Brixey



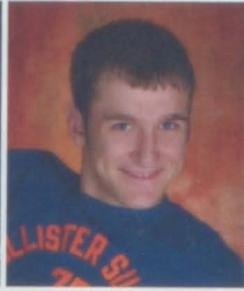
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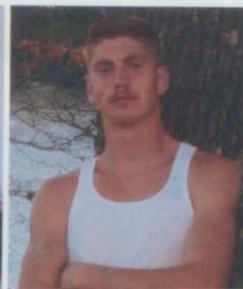
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Casey Coughlin



Rodney Cox



Andrea Coy



Kevin Dahl



Eli Dawson



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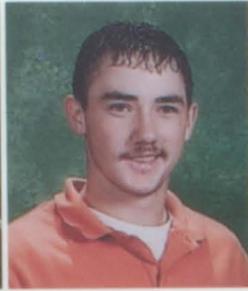
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Ben Helmers



David Henderson



Jessica Henning



Betsy Henry



Jessica Hicks



Beth Hohlt



Craig Hudson



William Jackson



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Kristy Kimball



Jennifer Krinke



Joy Labayan



Emily Lovan



Danielle Maloy



J.T. Merkerson



Alex McDaniel



Sarah Mcquiston



William Meyers



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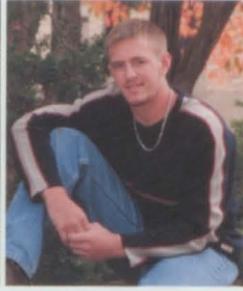


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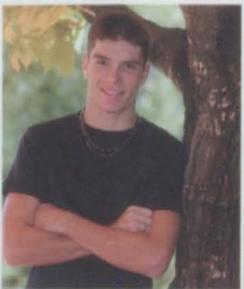
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Quincey White



Drew Whittington



Pete Wiersema



Phoebe Wiles



Justin Willard



Crystal Wood



Bill Wood



Cody Yanko

Cheryl Brown

Our heartfelt thoughts about Cheryl---
Good Student, Sweet Spirit, Beautiful Daughter.
We love you Cheryl and look forward to your
future.

Love, Dad & Mom



Phoebe Shyla Wiles

Words cannot describe
the joy you have and
will continue to bring
to our lives. You are
truly our blessing from
God. Always seek him
in all you do. Then your
life will be richly
blessed.

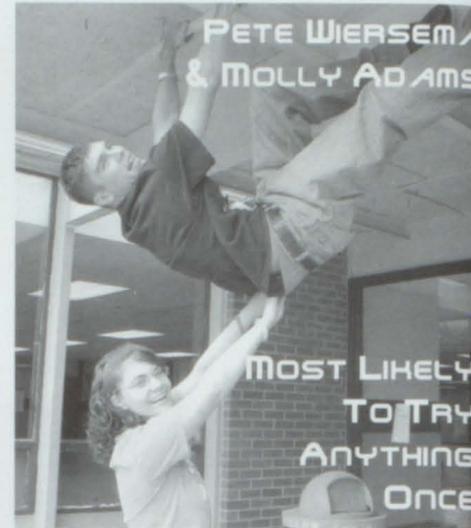
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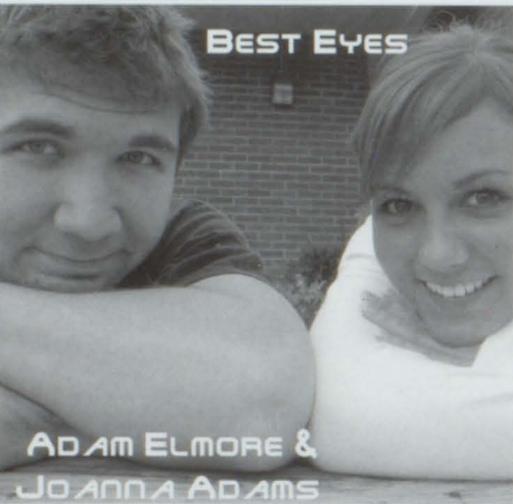
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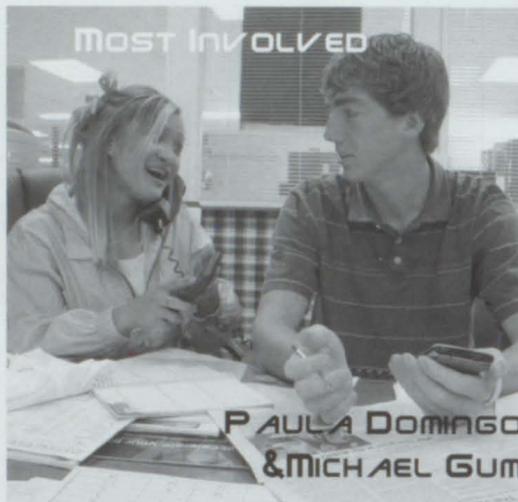
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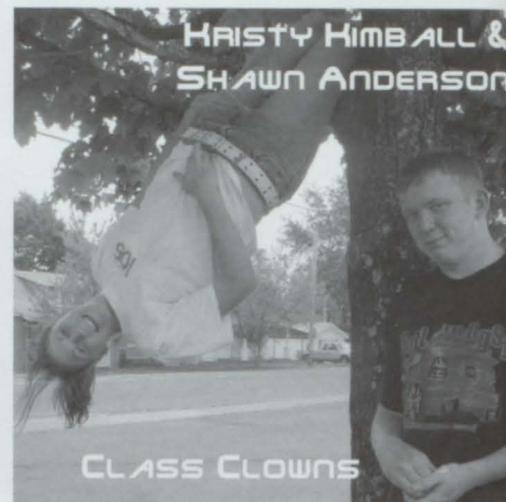
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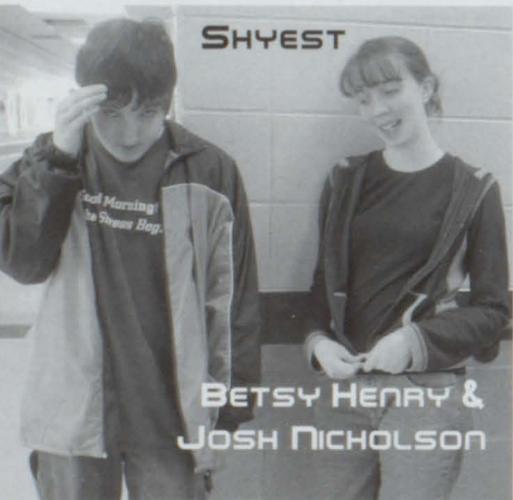
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KRISTY HIMBALL &
SHAWN ANDERSON

CLASS CLOWNS



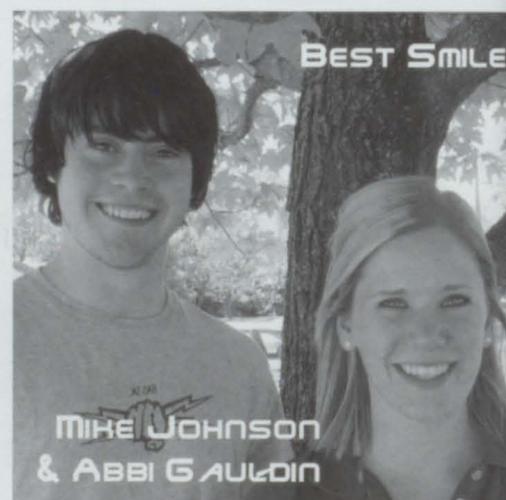
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BETSY HENRY &
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MOST LIKELY TO
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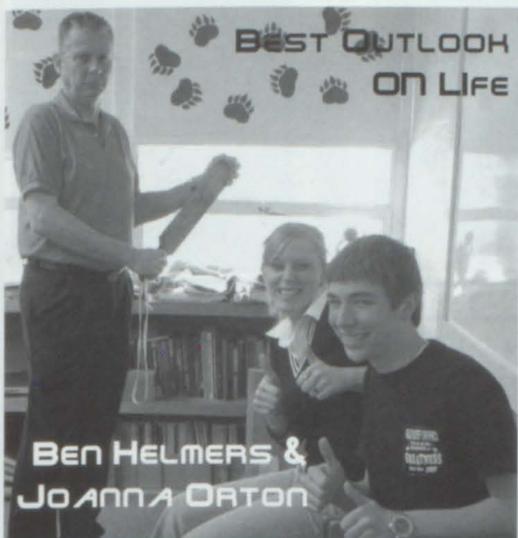
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PRICE HARPER



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MIKE JOHNSON
& ABBI GAULDIN





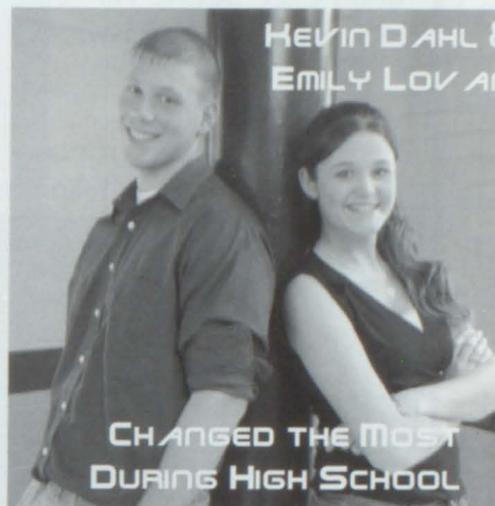
**BEST OUTLOOK
ON LIFE**

**BEN HELMERS &
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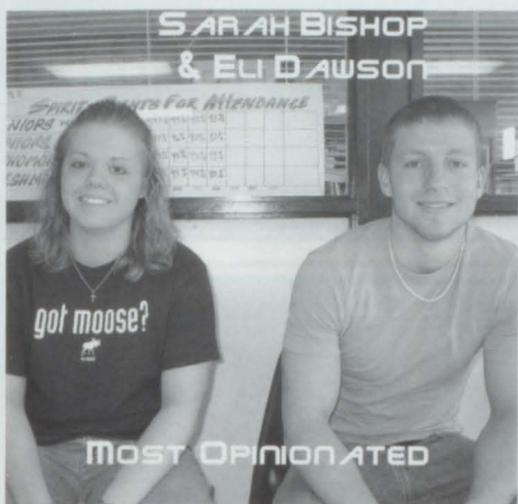
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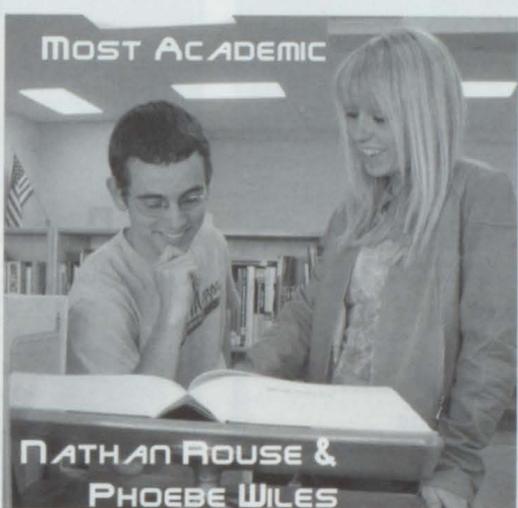
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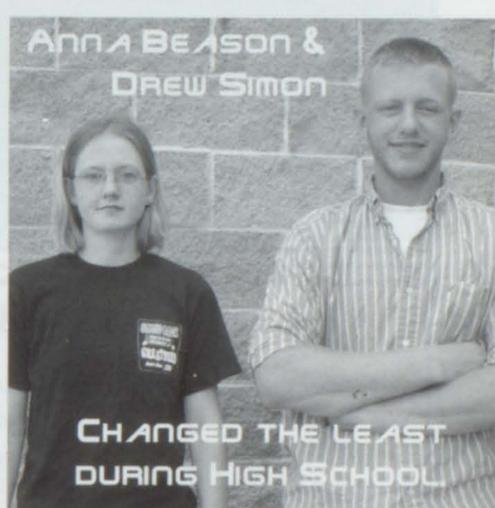
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MOST OPINIONATED



MOST ACADEMIC

**NATHAN ROUSE &
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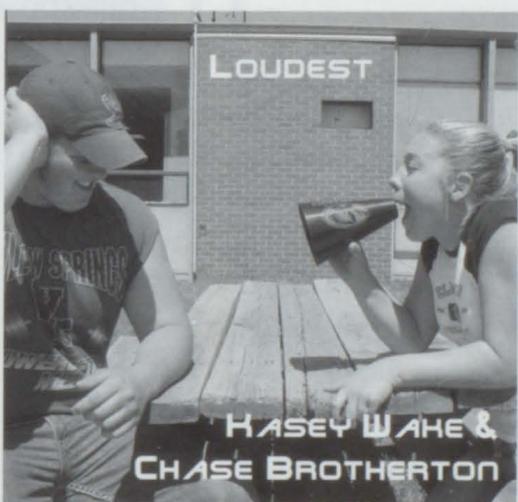
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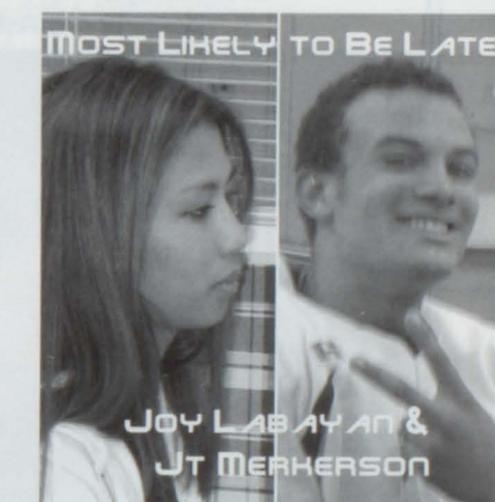
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& BILL WOOD**

BIGGEST BEAR FAN



LOUDEST

**HASEY WAHE &
CHASE BROTHERTON**



MOST LIKELY TO BE LATE

**JOY LABAYAN &
JT MERKERSON**



Steven Bryan

We are so blessed, proud, and honored to call you our son. Set your goals high and never settle for less. May God richly bless you always.

Love,

Mom & Dad

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. Philippians 4:13



Andrea Coy

Andrea,

You've made us so proud!
You have a bright future
ahead of you. Love you lots!!
Mom & Dad



Barbara G. Grogan

My beautiful daughter! You are a shining example of what every mother wishes a daughter were and I am very proud of you! I love you very much..Mom

We love You! - Dad, Katelyn, & Randall



Drew Simon

Remember you are our favorite son and hunter. We are very proud of you. But remember the finish line is just the beginning of the next race. Good Luck.

Love Always,

Mom, Dad, & Ashley



Andy Nanneman

Andy,

You have brought laughter and joy to our lives. We are blessed to have you as our son and brother.

Love,

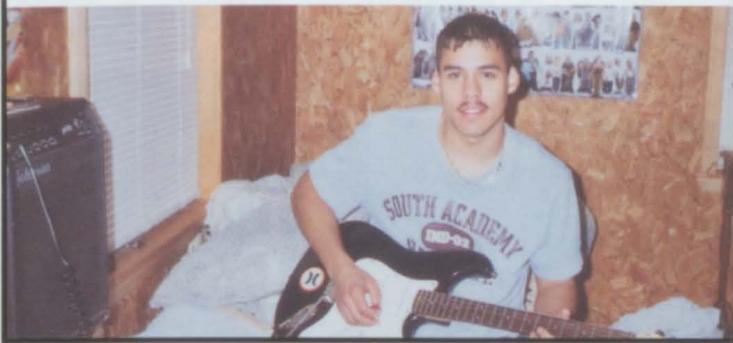
Mom, Dad, & Mark



Alex McDaniel



You are loved so much. Keep the light in your eyes bright. Keep moving forward. Keep looking upward. Your Family.



Rachel Ann Conway,

We have watched our baby girl grow up into a beautiful young lady. We just wanted you to know we are proud of you and we wish you all the luck in the world with your next great adventure in life. Love Mom, Dad, and Randi

Timothy Watkins

Timothy,
You have brought so much happiness into our lives. We are proud of all you've done. We wish you the best of luck with what you may choose to do.

Best of luck.

Love Always,

Dad, Mom and Sisters.

XXX OOO!



Nathan Rouse

Nathan, We are so proud of you and all your accomplishments and know there are many more to come. We love you,
Mom, Dad, & Drew



Cassie Casebeer

I have always dreamed of having a little girl, but I never dreamed God would bless me with a daughter so beautiful. You are the light of my life, and I've treasured every day God has given us together. I hope your love of life and your love for Christ never diminish.

All our love,
Mom and Dad



April White



Your beauty is
because it comes
within. We thank
Lord that He
us with you.
Love,
Mom & Dad

Children are a
gift from the
Lord.

Psalm 127:3a



Congratulations to our "Little Princess" Quincey

You have been such a joy in our life. May God bless and keep you in His care and guide you to accomplish all your dreams. We love you and are so proud of you.
Love Grandpa and Grandma White



Matt: 6:33 But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.

Quincey White

Quincey,

You have come a long way from your hat, boots, and little Carharts. We love you and we are so very proud of you!

Love, Mom & Dad



Stephanie Rivello

Dear Steph,

It has been such an adventure watching you grow from a curious, fearless toddler to a wonderful, self-confident woman.

Your future is amazing and bright and we look forward to sharing in your continuing journey.

We love you.

Dad, Mom, Nick, Billy, Jessica, & Amanda



Adam Elmore

Adam,

We enjoyed you as a little boy and admired you as we've watched you grow. We've been amazed at your accomplishments and we're excited to walk on with you and see all that God has in store for you and you continue to honor and follow Him. We are forever grateful for the young man you have chosen to become. We love you "A"

Mom, Dad, & Colin

"Those who honor me, I will honor."

II Sam 2:30



Jennifer Lynn Krinke

I knew what your name would be, even while I was still a child. God has truly blessed you beyond words and it's been awesome to see how you've been used by Him and grown into such a beautiful, amazing young woman, of whom we are so very proud. Stay true to yourself, commitments, and your dreams. Continue to put God first and everything else will fall into place.

We are so proud of you and love you beyond words!

Dad, Mom, & Julia



Justin Willard

You have brought us so much happiness and we are so proud of you. No matter where you go, no matter what you do - we love you more than you'll ever know. Follow your heart.

Love,
Mom & Dad



Bill Wood

Bill,
Your cheerful attitude and laughter brings joy to our hearts. We love you and are very proud of you!
Mom, Dad, & John

Jessica Hicks

Jessica I can't believe that you are already a senior! You have grown up way to fast! I hope all of your dreams come true. We love you!

Mom, Dad, Shanica, and Cody



Abbi Gauldin

Abbi,

Not a day goes by that I don't realize how fortunate we are to have you. You have made the job of raising you so easy and fun! You make our day, everyday! Austin couldn't have a more caring and loving sister than you!

We love you, Mom, Dad, & Austin



Joanna Adams



We are so happy that you became part of our family!

We will always love you,
Matt, Jimalee, Megan, & Lindsey

Julie Collins

Good luck as you step out into the world. Grandpa would be very proud of you as our we. Always be yourself.

Love, Mom & Dad



Joanna Adams

Joanna,
We are very proud of you and we love you very much!

Mom and Dad



Beth Hohlt

You are a wonderful person. I'm so proud of you.

Love you always,
Mom.



Tyler Newton

Tyler Wade,
You have always been the best entertainment a family could have! It's hard to believe that our little boy is all grown up. We're so proud of you, son. Keep your eyes on the Lord. He will direct your path.



Love you so much,
Mom, Dad, & Whit

Brittany Welton

Words cannot say the love we have for you!



Price Harper

Fight the good fight and keep your faith! We are so proud of you!
Much love,
Dad, Mom, & Clint



We admire the young woman you have become that makes the Lord her strength, her guide! May God always richly bless you!

*Love,
Mom and Dad*



"Obstacles don't have to stop you. If you run into a wall, don't turn around and give up. Figure out how to climb it, go through it, or work around it."

- Michael Jordan

Josh, You have grown into a young man with a great personality. Your sense of humor, mild manner, and sense of what is right or wrong all make us very proud. We love you! Dad and Mom



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Kasey Wake

Kasey,

You'll always be daddy's sweetie, and a good cow hand too.

We are so proud of you!

Dad and Mom



Paula~

You have brains in your head,
You have feet in your shoes,
You can steer yourself in any
direction you choose,
You're on your own,
& You know what you know,
You're the girl who'll decide where to go.
We're behind you
every step of the way!
Love Always, Always
Dad, Mom, Fran, Jon & Philip

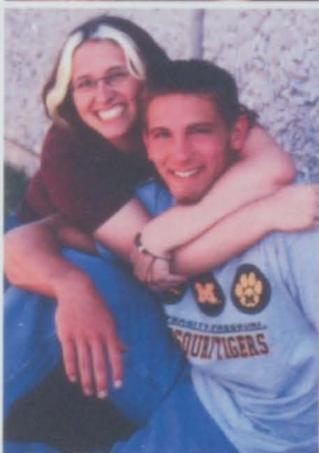


Tom Shaw

Lil' Brudder,
I just wanted to take this chunk of a yearbook page and say you are the greatest "Lil' Brudder" I could ever hope for! And yeah, remember that even though you look and sometimes act older than me.... you aren't! But I love you either way. Let's see how many people we can fool when I help you move to college! Can't wait to see you playing college ball next fall. And you thought I screamed a lot while you were in high school.... "The heart of a champion!"

Love,

- Lil' Sister



Tom Shaw

As you have grown in size, talent, ability, strength, and knowledge, you have never forgotten kindness. Your accomplishments make us proud, your attitude makes us blessed.

Love,

Mom and Dad



Friendly Witnesses

Best Friends and Couples



2 *Havin' Fun!*
Chelsea Newman and Julia Krinke do nothing but have fun when they are together.

1

Flying Leap

One day at lunch Beth Pitts, Tory Waggoner, and Cassie Casebeer ventured outside and into the middle of the street to capture their jump on camera.



3

Senior Girls.

Seniors Rachel Conway, Jessica Hicks, Christina Collins, Crystal Wood, Julie Collins, Andrea Coy, and Annie Brixey enjoy their last year of high school together.



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I got you babe

While spending time with each other and having fun, Tommy carried around his girl Jody.



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PCC PALS

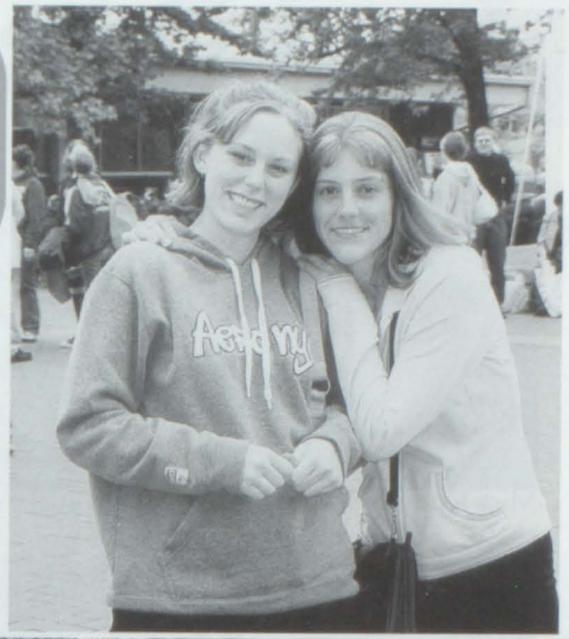
On a typical Wednesday nite, the Pomona Christian Church youth group gathers together to play games and hear a lesson. This particular Wednesday, some of the youth group members crowded together to take a goofy picture while showing the fun times they share at PCC.





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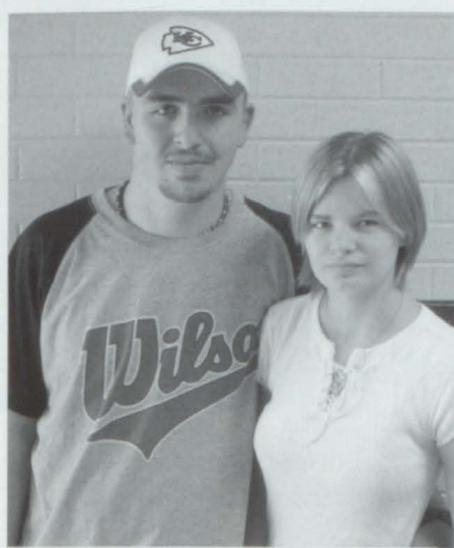
*Winterball
group of
friends*



State Music

7

JoAnna Orton and April White enjoy their last time at the State Music Festival in Columbia.



Hangin' Out.

Ruth Woolf and Chelsea Newman

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Smile!

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Christine Pettit and her boyfriend pose for a picture.

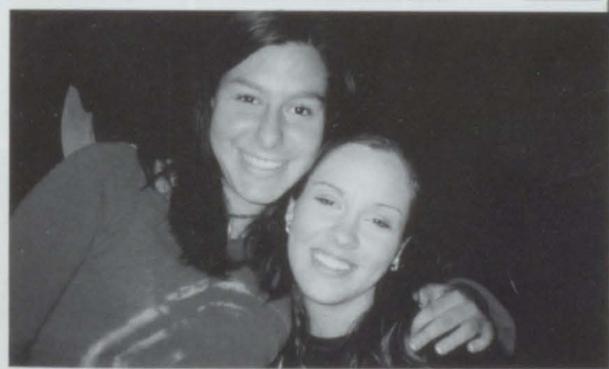
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Friends are worth more than a thousand words, Brittany Welton and Natalia Olguin

Just Like a Pair of Shoes

Brittany Lovan and Natalia Olguin share a moment.

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Natalia Olguin, Laura Venn, and Brittney Lovan spent some quality time with each other.



Lead Detectives on the Case



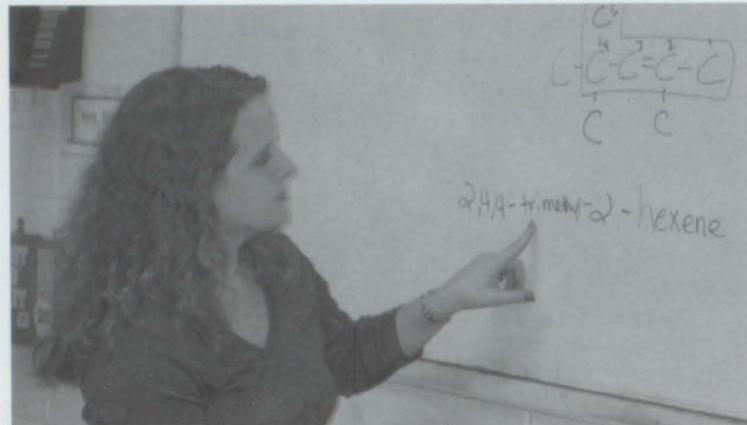
Miss Connie does what she does best. Everything.



Mr. Zorn provides entertainment for his students.



For her Educator class, Mrs. Foster offers the kids some candy as an incentive to finish their articles.



During a Chemistry II class, Mrs. Brower explains the lesson once more.

Leon Blagg
Ada Brandt
Jacob Brookshire
Erin Brower
Judith Cantrell



Chris Cochran
Brent Colley
Lisa Cozzens
Larry Dame
Casey Daugherty
Karen Foster



Brenda Griffith
Chari Grogan
Pinky Gum
Sally Hatton
Derek Hutsell
Carol Lovan





Stirling Madden
 Ron McGarry
 Cay Miller
 Matthew Pendergrass
 Sharon Petrus
 Beverly Pettit



Pat Phares
 Melanie Pitts
 Larry Sorrells
 Marty Spence
 Connie Stuart
 Chris Waggoner



Willard Wagner
 Christian Watson
 Dale Watson
 David Wehmer
 Sharon Wiles
 Larry Williams



Dan Zorn





HUDDLE UP



Football players and coaches knew that winning games came after hard work and endurance. In the midst of a game, the boys huddled around to hear a pep talk, ready to go face more challenges, pushing them and stretching their endurance.

SMASH

In every tennis match Brittany Welton kept her feet moving, chasing every ball, enduring the heat and pushing her physical limits.



ALL ABOUT ENDURANCE

Wanting to be the best she could for herself, her fans, and her team, Megan James focused and worked hard to fight through every game, and make it a winning game.



ENDURE

...COMPETITIONS WILL BE MET WITH ENDURANCE...

With all the challenges of life there comes ENDURANCE. In sports it is no different, in which the competitions build a person's perserverance. Sports in a high school setting helps students work out their stress and provides a little fun in the process. Competing proved important because it prepared students for a world where everything is a competition. Sporting events across campus ensure that these competitions will be met with endurance.

5..4..3..2..1.....

With five seconds available to pass the ball in to someone on the court, Beth Pitts looks around for someone open. "My best basketball memory of this year is when we beat Ava. It is the first time we have beaten Ava in 7 years! I'm kind of sad because next year will be my last year of high school ball, but I will be excited to know it's my turn to graduate."



MIND OVER MATTER

In Cross Country, its all about ENDURANCE. The runners push themselves daily in practice, preparing their bodies for what lies ahead during a big competition. Eric Biring stretched his endurance this school year as he worked with his cross country team.

TEAM ENDURANCE

The boys in basketball, including Eli Dawson found out what it meant to have endurance. Practice after practice readied him for the games his team would face.



HOMECOMING COURT Retiring Queen Randi Conway, Bethany Traw, Crystal Wood, Christina Collins, JoAnna Adams, Abbie Dyck, and Checotah McDaniel.

1...2...3...4! Captain of the Drum Line, Quincey White led her team down the street while marching in the Homecoming Parade.



Homecoming

Homecoming this year was *Go For the Gold*. As traditon played on, a parade took place before the Homecoming walk the candidates took. People lined the streets watching the candidates drive by, the football players on the fire trucks, the marching band march down, and other parade participants. Not long before the the game took place the walk occured, and a new Queen was crowned.

Junior Princess Abbie Dyck



Sophomore Princess Bethany Traw



Freshman Princess Checotah McDaniel



1. Being escorted by fellow seniors, and football captains Bill Wood and Tommy Shaw, Christina Collins was crowned queen.



2. JT Merkerson and Adam Elmore escorted Crystal Wood on her walk across the field.



3. Looking her best, JoAnna Adams was ready for the event, and was walked that evening by Kevin Dahl and Larry Brashers.



4. Posing for her first picture as queen, Christina proudly wore her crown.



WE'VE GOT SPIRIT, YES WE DO!

This group of Junior girls think the Bears are #1! Here, they display their bear spirit on Maroon and White Day.

YUM!
Freshman Ethan Smith and Sophomore Lindsey McElyea, race to eat their bowl of olives first for a spirit contest on Greek day. There was a different game held on each day and spirit points were awarded to the winners.



GREEK GODS

Below:
Andrew Corey and Beth Mason dressed in togas and olive leaves, hoping to win the spirit contest for Greek Day.



This year, the theme for homecoming was "Go for the Gold" in a tribute to the 2004 Olympic Games. Each day had its own theme relating to the Olympics. Due to Labor Day on Monday, students and teachers recieved a day off to start off the week. On Tuesday, students dressed from all different countries for Nationality Day. Wednesday was designated as Athlete Day and students dressed as an athlete from their favorite Olympic sport. Togas and olive leaves were seen throughout the halls on Thursday for Greek Day. Friday was Team WSHS Day and students dressed in traditional maroon and white. Winners for best dressed were chosen each day and given additional spirit points for their class.



What was your favorite spirit day this year and why?

"Nationality Day because you got to be someone else for a day"
-Chelsea Newman, 9th



"Greek Day because it was so off the wall!"
-Anthony Carter, 10th

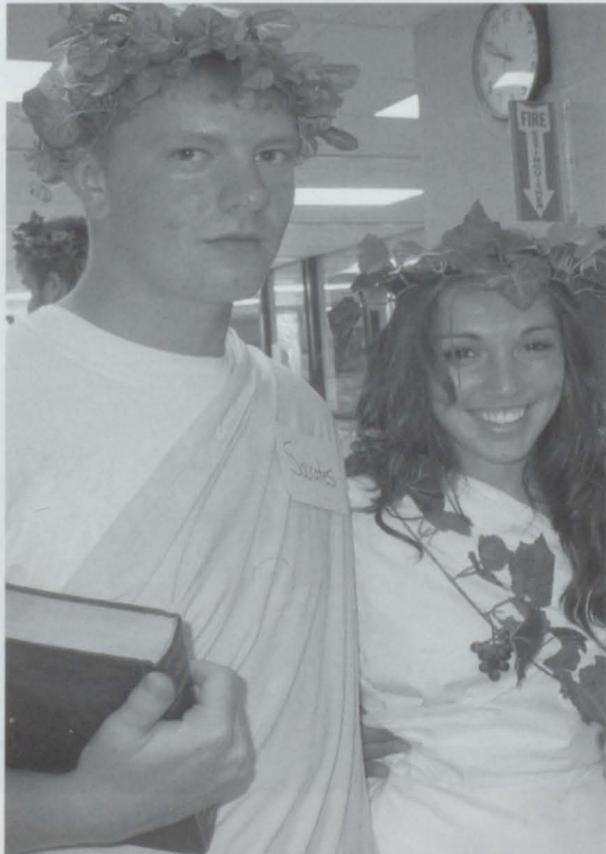


"Greek day because I finally got the chance to wear my toga!"
-Nate Law, 11th



"Athlete Day because I got to deck out in my tennis gear."
-Cassie Casebeer, 12th

Searching for the Gold



By: Casey McElyea

WILLOW SPRINGS CROQUET?

Seniors April White, Michael Gum, and Brittany Welton showed off their croquet skills during lunch on athlete day. These students were part of a made-up WSHS croquet team, which consisted of six members and coached by Mr. Blagg.

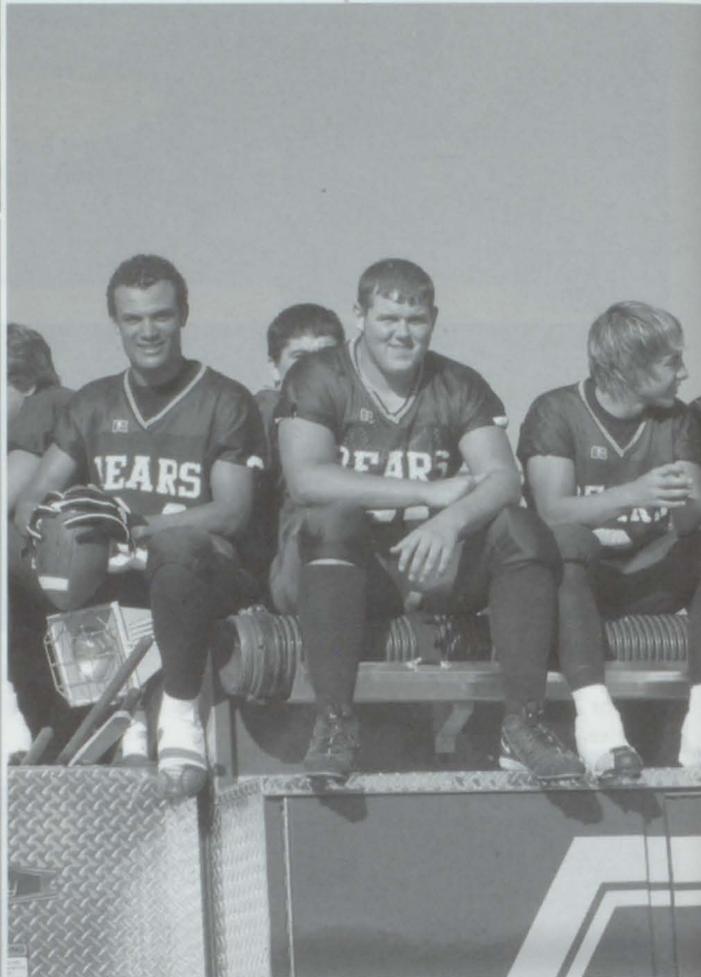
Breakaway

The 2004 WSHS football team came into the year with big expectations and huge shoes to fill. While they ended the season with a winning record (6-4), they failed to win the district championship for the first time in five years. This was a big disappointment and the Bears will look to win another title in 2005.



It's Gametime

Super Fan, Jennifer Krinke, cheers for the bears (Top) while Senior Fullback Bill Wood carries the ball outside on the Highland Rebels (Top Right). Following tradition, the bears relax on the firetruck as the parade takes them through town before the homecoming game against Ava (Right). Jordan Reaves celebrates after a touchdown at one of the Bears home games (Bottom), and the Bears get a much needed rest during a timeout at an away game (Bottom Right).



Here We Go

After the coin toss, senior captains Bill Wood and Tommy Shaw get ready for the kick-off in the season opener against the Highland Rebels.

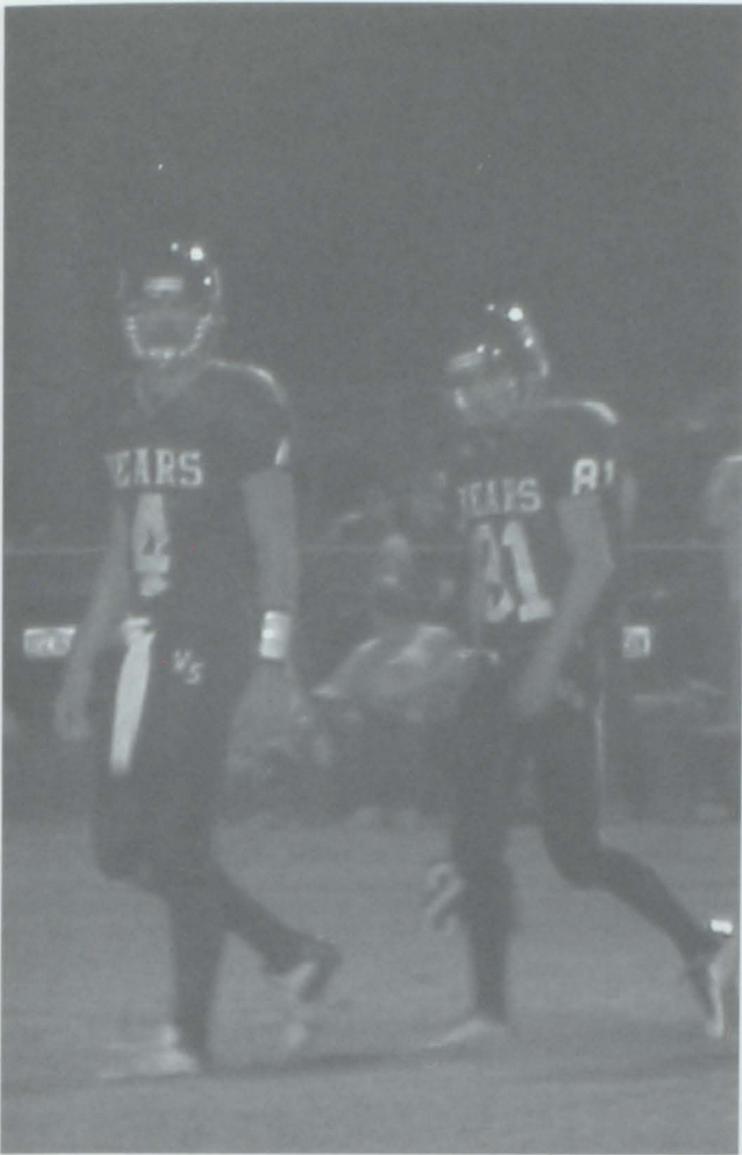


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What's the Play?

Pete Wiersema and Adam Elmore wait for Coach Wyatt to call out the play at one of the Bear's home games.

"Football season Rocks!
That's about it..."

Lindsey McElyea



"I love the atmosphere of the football games and eating at the truck stop afterwards is a good time to get a laugh in."

Kiley Woodring



Any Given Friday Night

The Bears gave it their all every Friday night. The above three pictures are from the Bears first game of 2004 against the Highland Rebels. It was a tough game for the Bears, but everyone played their heart out every single down.

Set&Spike

2004-05 Lady Bear Volleyball

"The season went well. Everyone worked together, made a big step toward reaching higher goals, but most of all, had this season, "as Coach Daughtery was quoted on the 2004 Volleyball season. This year the Varsity team ended their season with a 10-17 record and the JV ended with an outstanding record of 20-2. The 2004 volleyball players were extremely dedicated this year and proved this by

attending intense summer camps and worked hard at Friday morning and Sunday afternoon practices. Coach Lee said this about the seniors and what to expect for next year, "We had an outstanding, and fun group of girls this year. We have seven seniors graduating this year, so their presence will be missed. The varsity squad next year will be young, but very talented.



Ready. . .

Varsity players Beth Pitts, Megan James, and Christina Collins get into position to receive the ball from the opposing team. These back row players had to communicate well with each other.

Perfect Set.

Christina Collins hurried to the net to set up an outside hitter. Christina was awarded All Conference Second Team and All District Second Team.



A-C-E!

Taking the right steps in order to get a perfect serve, Beth Pitts got ready to smash the ball. Beth was awarded All Conference Honorable Mention.

Middle-Blocker.

Megan James got in ready position to block yet another ball right back in the opponents faces.



Victorious The J.V. Volleyball Lady Bears celebrate a tournament victory and another trophy to add to their collection.



Turning the Game..

Above: Varsity players jump simultaneously to set up the perfect block. Upper Right: Jordan Chilton, Bethany Traw, and Kacey Willard cover their area on the floor, talking and working together. Right: On their toes, Abbie Dyck and Crista Ortiz kept their feet moving toward the ball. Lower Right: Coach Lee and Coach Daughtery called a time out to get the girls re-focused. Lower Left: Number one, Beth Pitts hussles toward the bench to save a ball that would have cost the team a point.



Jordan Chilton
"Volleyball this year was a lot more fun than Jr. High because we actually won some games."



Jordan Johnson
"Next year will be hard because I won't have the senior girls to pull me along."



Crista Ortiz
"Next year will be awesome but not the same without the '05 girls, especially Abbi."



Beth Pitts
"I've made good senior friends this season. Woot, that's right Beth Hohlt, woot."



Stephanie Riviello
"I enjoyed volleyball a lot and I'm going to miss it next year."



Joanna Adams
"I'll never forget our victory over Summersville. Lets just say we didn't run the next day."



Beth Hohlt
"I'm going to miss all of the senior girls"



All Together Now The team huddles up before taking the court to begin their match.

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High

Step

The 2004-2005 Marching Band was full of talent this year. The band showed their talent before many big football games. The band won first place when they traveled to Columbia to compete against over 35 high school bands. They have worked hard, put in hours of practices, and have done a great job at pumping up fans for the big games!



Warming Up

Above, before their big performance Beth Pitts works on perfecting her music.

Crowd Pleasers

Far right, Drew Rouse works the camera while playing his saxophone. Right, Quincy White and Ryan Smith pump up the crowd during the parade.



What was your funniest band memory this year?



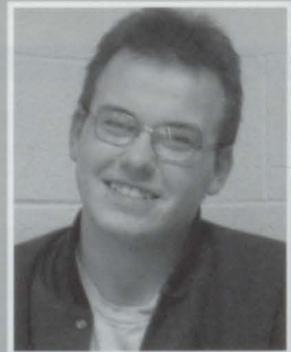
"When Drew Rouse yelled, 'Someone threw their pantyhose at me.'"
-Senior,
Brittney Welton



"When Drew's hat got knocked off by one of the flag girls."
-Freshman,
Audri Olmsted



"When Beth and I went freestyle walking at Mizzou."
-Sophomore,
Tory Waggoner



"In the middle of a performance, I got tripped up and fell with my tuba."
-Sophomore,
Jerald Campbell

Lunch Time Candidids

By Cassie Casebeer



Horseplay

Proving his leadership skills and authority, Mr. Hutsell set a good example for his kids by sliding down the railing.



Kickin' Back

Munching on a bag of chips, Christina Collins made herself at home and kicked up her legs while she ate.

Lunch Would Be So Much Better If...

Tory Waggoner shared one of her many facial expressions. Her view on school was, "School is alright; It isn't all that hard. I like seeing all of my friends.

It would be better if Mr. Hutsell would buy me and Cassie bean bags for lunch."

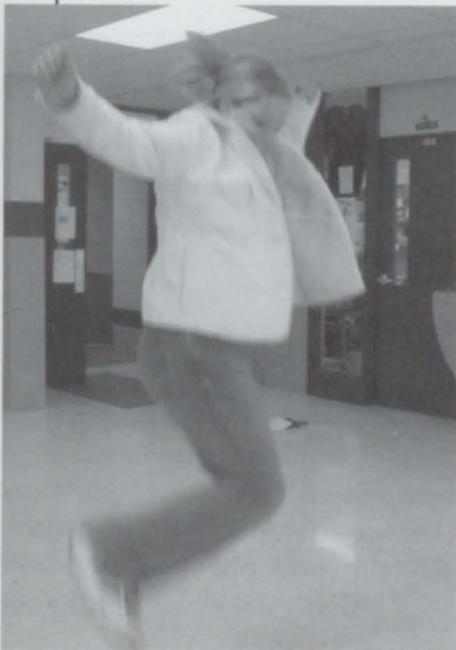


Takin' It Easy

After finishing their lunch, Brandon Johnson and Beth Pitts relaxed and chatted before the last bell rang.

Snack Bar

Regena Owens set up the snack bar, complete with the students' favorite Hot Pockets and salads, ready for the mad dash of the lunch lines.

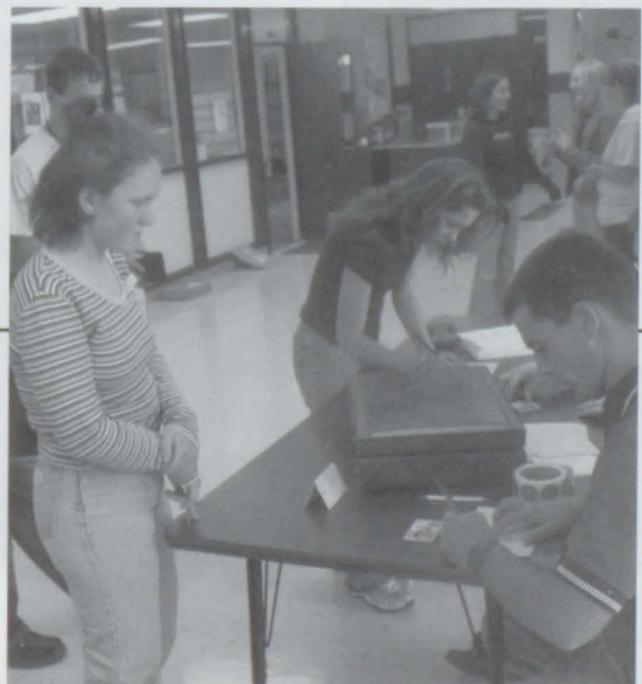


Jump For Joy

Happy for the free time, Joanna Orton kicked up her heels in celebration of her lunch break.

Voter Registration

While getting ready for the upcoming elections, students had the chance to participate in a mock election during lunch. Julia Meyer waited in line for her ballot, ready to cast her vote.





Snack Time! Joanna Ortin and April White dig into a bag of 'Kiddie Mix' candy.

All Together Now... The 2005 Bear Pride Marching Band takes to the field to warm up before their big halftime show at the football game. The band had another successful year, which included a strong finish at the Mizzou marching competition.



Music for the Masses



Tickle Fight
Brittany Welton falls off her set while fighting her losing battle of Tickle War.

Making an Entrance Below: Quincey White and Kent Smith lead the color guard into the gym.



Tuning Up Right: Austin Lovan gets his horn in tune before the performance.



Looking for Perfection
Band Director Chris Cochran and assistant Ada Brandt look on as the band gets ready for the first football game of the season.



"Band, Attention!" Left, seniors Nathan Rouse and Emily Lovan stand at attention ready to give their salutes.

Everybody Loves a Parade
Above, the band marches down Main Street during the Homecoming Parade.



Cut & Dried

Hair Styles for the Entire Family
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 Today!

Moose-Talk

Mr. Dame takes a quick break to discuss music theory with his "talking" moose walking stick.



Yawn...While taking a break, Senior Tyler Newton took a quick nap on the Alto Section.



Say Hey-O!

"Party over here!" These girls definitely had fun while singing by waving their arms in the air like they just don't care.

Sound Evidence



This year the choir competed in several different competitions including the South-Central Association competition, where they received the honor of first place. They also put on many concerts for the community including a Veterans Day assembly, a Christmas concert, Valentine Madrigal Dinner, and performed pieces from Broadway Musicals. The Choir also performed at Tan-Tara and did outstanding. Great job Choir!



"Practice makes perfect..."

The Choir practicing so to keep up with their ongoing outstanding performance.

With a new coach and a late start this year, cheerleading has been nothing but teamwork and dedication. There were four different squads this year, two for football and two for basketball. A week before school started, Coach Pitts held a three-day clinic to help the cheerleaders prepare for the season. The clinic consisted of learning dances, cheers, chants, and new stunts to perform at the games and pep rallies.

As soon as football season was over, it was time for another try-out for the basketball squads. Both Junior Varsity and Varsity squads practiced after school to improve their cheerleading skills. They performed at many home games.

LEADING THE CHEER!



Get Up! Bear Cheerleaders give their all to get Bear fans fired up for the big football game.



Tailgating Chelsea Newman, Savanna McElyea, Fran Domingo, and Kayla Allcorn ride on a fire truck for the homecoming parade.



We've Got Spirit Kristy Kimball cheers her heart out at one of her last home games.



Give Me 7? Each time the football team scored a touchdown, the cheerleaders did push ups.



ARE YOU PROUD TO BE A BEAR FAR??

Yes, we are!! Basketball cheerleaders did a crowd cheer during a time out. They had some extra help from the pep club this year.

STAND UP AND SHOUT

During a boy's basketball game, the cheerleading girls would often step onto the courts, cheering inspiration to the boys, and working to get the crowd involved cheering for their home players. Paula Domingo was often the first to step up and lead the crowd in the excitement.



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Tyler Newton signs the dotted line to play golf at Southwest Baptist University.



Camo Hat? Drew Simon works on his stroke.

SWINGIN'

The 2005 Bear Golf team produced an outstanding overall record of 38-13 and sent a Senior golfer on to a college scholarship. Tyler Newton lead the team and signed on to play at Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar. Highlights of the year included a 4th place finish in the Lebanon Tournament, 4th at the SCA meet, and 3rd place at the District Tournament. The team also boasted two All-State golfers; Tyler Newton (8th at the State Tournament) and Chris Evins (10th at State).



Golf Clinic Senior Tyler Newton shows the team his classic swing.



Freshman Up! Brett Paul looks to make his first year a success.



PRACTICING THE SWING

Kyler Demeulmeester, a sophomore, averaged 45.7 strokes a game and helped make up a trio of sophomores that included Chris Evins and Scott Myers. The trio helped push the Bears to their fantastic season record!

TIPS FROM THE COACH

In his final season as golf coach, Bob Niesen beamed with pride. The team was a huge success and Mr. Niesen took special gratification in seeing his top player moving on to the college level.



ENJOYING THE GAME

Sophomore Scott Myers takes a break from practice to enjoy a day on the links. Golf provided a great stress reliever for students after a hectic day in the classroom.

PUT PUT GOLF?

Adam LeBeau, a freshman on the team, was a welcome addition to the Bear golf program. Adam averaged 43.5 strokes and looks to come back strong next season.



Young Guns

A Season of Experience for the Bears

After a great season in 03-04, the Bears of 04-05 had a tough act to follow. Losing Steven Gum, the all-state Senior who led the area in scoring, meant that some of the Bears would have to step up their ability on the offesnive end of the floor. The season turned out to be a long one, with the Bears struggling to get on track. After a dissappointing start, the starting lineup saw a huge change, and the Bears

began to improve. As they started to play well together, the season got a lot brighter. While their final record may not have shown it, it was a memorable season for these Bears. Fans stuck with them through the good times and the bad, and more than anything, these Bears learned a lot about themselves. Many remaining players will look to turn things around next year, after all they've learned.



Bear Defense

Opposing players had to be careful with the ball when guarded by Senior Eli Dawson. Here, he goes for the steal against Norwood.

Race to the Basket

Scott Myers takes off down the court in hopes of beating his defender for an easy bucket.



In-Game Training Coach Colley gives the team instruction during a time out and tries to motivate the team to find a way to win.



"I Got It!" The Bears crowd around the basket and blow out their opponent while looking for the rebound.

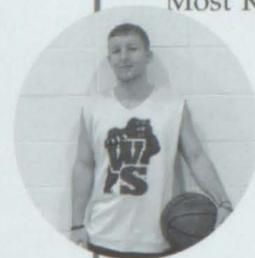


Full Court Pressure

Clockwise; Andrew Corey looks to make the in-bound, the Bears spend a grueling day of practice in Munford Gym, Eli Dawson looks for the open man, Raymond Bowen dives for the ball, and the Bears block out for the rebound.



Raymond Bowen
Best Shooting
Percentage and
Most Rebounds



Eli Dawson
Best Defense



Raymond Bowen
MVP

**Basketball
Award
Winners**



Eye of the Tiger Senior Eli Dawson crouches low and keeps his eye on the ball looking to make a steal and turn the momentum for the Bears.

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Driving Passion

2004-05 Lady Bears Play with Heart

With a 6-1 conference record, the Willow Springs High School Lady Bears had a successful season. After beating the Liberty Eagles in District play, they fell short in the second round to the Seymour Tigers. Many ups and downs occurred throughout the season, but one of the biggest moments occurred when the Lady Bears beat the Salem Tigers in conference play in an

exciting game that went into overtime. In another big game, the Lady Bears beat the Ava Lady Bears. This was the first time they have beaten Ava in seven years, and they won by 20+ points. Overall, it was a great season and the Bears look to continue next year with another excellent season. The loss of key seniors will hurt their depth, but a lot of talent will be back for 05-06.



Give the Girls a Hand
Lady Bears applaud as the starting lineups are introduced before the game.

FOCUS Sophomore Megan James puts her game face on as she prepares to do battle on the court.



Timeout Above, Coach Jackson and Coach Madden huddle up and outline the plan for success in the second half. Left, senior Christina Collins dribbles the ball on a breakaway for the hoop.



Stephanie Riviello
Best Shooting
Percentage.

Fast Break!

Clockwise; Crystal Wood goes for the ball, Coach Jackson looks on at the action, Megan James shoots her free throws, Lady Bears fight for the ball and try to keep from going out of bounds, and Beth Pitts looks for a shooter.



Crystal Wood
Most Rebounds



Beth Pitts
MVP



Christina Collins
Best Defense



She Shoots...She Scores! JoAnna Adams knocks down a big three pointer for the Lady Bears who relied heavily on senior leadership during the 2004-05 season.



X's and O's Coach Jackson gets out the marker board to explain how she wants the play to happen when the Lady Bears take the court.

One Step Ahead

Lady Bear Tennis

By: Cassie Casebeer

Piles of Papers

In between matches, the players would try to find time to work on their homework. With her papers spread out, Brittany Welton decided it was time to work on some Algebra before her game.



Down The Alley

After placing her shot, Lindsey McElyea watched to make sure it landed just where she had wanted. **Let The Games Begin** (above right) Coaches and players huddled in a circle for a pep talk and prayer before the games started.



Reach For The Ball

(Above) Beth Mason played her game perfectly as she kept her feet moving and stretched for every ball.

Determination to Win (Right) Varsity's first player, April White, played with all she had during one of her most competitive matches.



Here's The Plan...

Anxious to play her match, Kiley Woodring went and checked with Coach Spence to see when she played and who her doubles partner would be.



New Player??

As parents and fans sat at the fence to watch the matches unfold, some decided to try the sport out for themselves. Sean Allen, son of Pastor Marcus Allen, found a racket and decided to practice some moves on his own.

In Motion

Hitting the ball away from her opponent, Kara Hinten ran to catch every ball.



A Day at the Courts

Bear tennis fans lined the fence to watch the Lady Bears in action at the Booster Field tennis courts. The recent renovations to Booster Field along with the four tennis courts the park now boasts, makes Willow Springs a local favorite for tennis players.

On the Ball

Boys Tennis

By: Lindsey McElyea

Pep Talk

Coach Spence gives Junior Tyler Cooley a pep talk so he can finish his match strong.

Water break (Right)

Coach Terrie Rhoades pumps Senior Michael Gum up with a refreshing drink of water.



Senior Leaders

Nathan Rouse and Michael Gum were the only two seniors on the team this year. Coach Spence said, " Michael and Nathan were outstanding leaders on the team as well as fantastic student athletes. They'll be missed greatly and we wish them the best!"



Nice Shot!

Sophomore Aaron Hudson hits a nice shot right down the middle to score the forehand smash.



ACE!

Brian Barry hits his very powerful first serve to his awaiting opponent.



Talking Strategy

Sophomores Aaron Hudson and Drew Rouse strategize about how they are going to defeat their next opponents.

Take that!

Senior Nathan Rouse hits a nice forehand to finish off the point.



Serve is up...

Michael Gum serves up his ball to gain the point.

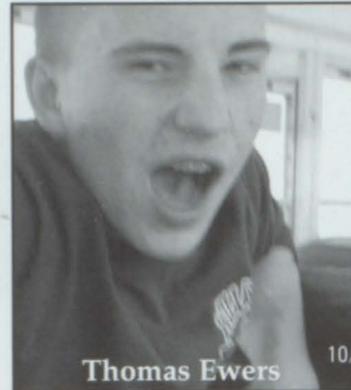
A Race Across The Country

By Ashley Gutscher & Cassie Casebeer

Checking In With The Nurse
Just to be on the safe side, Nurse Ann Meredith was at the Cross Country meets, ready to help the athletes in case of an emergency.

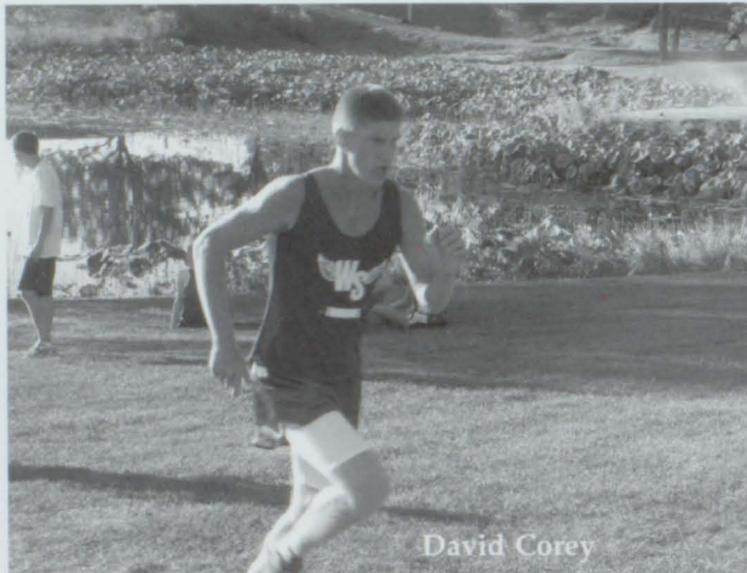


Run With All You've Got
Putting all of her effort into her races, Crystal Wood pushed past other runners. Her efforts brought her to State later on in the season.

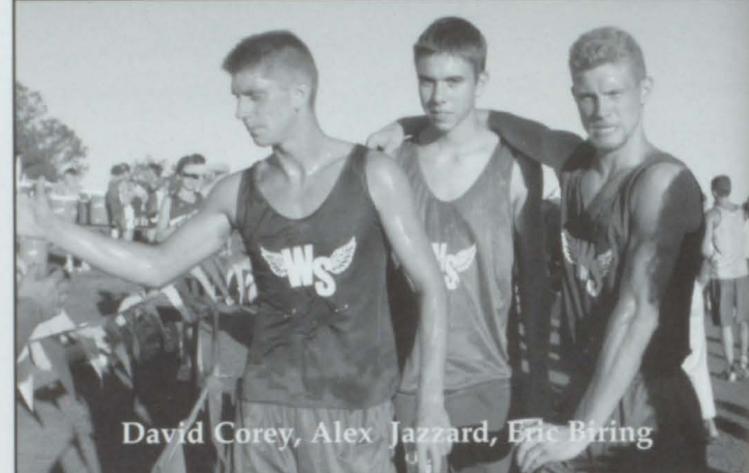


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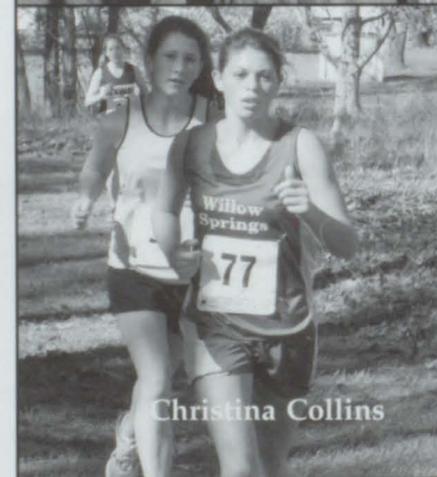
Crystal Wood



David Corey



David Corey, Alex Jazzard, Eric Biring



Christina Collins



Alex Jazzard



Ready To Run
Preparing herself for the run, Christina Collins stretched before the shot was fired.

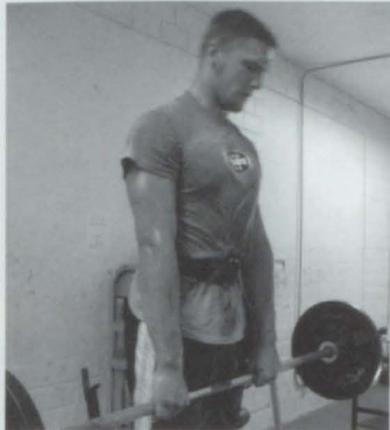
*"I was proud of the effort everybody on the team put in."
- Coach Waggoner*

An Identity of Iron

For athletes and those concerned about their physical condition, it was another good year in the weight room. In coach Steve Ary's last year at Willow Springs High School, many things were added to weight training to make it more educational. Every day, students answered a question in a journal after learning a lesson related to health and well-being. On the physical side of the class, students worked hard as usual to improve their strength and endurance. Look for big changes in this department next year, with a new coaching staff coming in with their own ideas and workouts for the students and athletes alike.



A Tradition of Excellence It's not just the guys that pump iron. Heather Cooper is one of many girls who also take on the challenge of weight training in hopes of becoming an Iron Bear.



Sweat Through the Pain Tom Shaw lifts weights, knowing the reward will be more tackles on the football field.



Honored Iron Bears Several of the Iron Bears were recognized before the annual football scrimmage. From left to right they included; Chad Woodard, Nate Law, Bill Wood, Tom Shaw, Eli Dawson, and Clint Ussery.



"I was able to feel the benefits of weight training every time I hit the field."

—Dustin Barton



Original Iron Bear Coach Ary was instrumental in creating the weight program at Willow Springs. He and the other coaches have reaped the benefits with several successful seasons.

Built Tough Hard offseason training in the weight room led to tough Bear players during the football season.

Run for Glory

Discipline, determination, and desire all work together to shape the 2005 track team identity. Whether it was running, jumping, or throwing the track athletes gave it all during their run for glory.



Sand Box Behany Traw creates full extension to get the most out of her long jump attempt.

Down the Stretch In a comeback effort Bear sprinters took on a dramatic race to the finish.



Patience and Perseverance Zach Capader keeps his legs pumping and waits for his chance at the lead.



A Leg Up on the Competition Carrie Lovan blows past her opponents as she leaps over the hurdles on her way to the finish line. Both the Bear and Lady Bear track teams relied on tough athletes that could compete in a variety of events. This versatility leads to success for both teams throughout the spring season.



Pushing for First Bear runners keep their eyes on the finish line and make the final push for a medal.

Brotherly Love...
 and a Track

Elevation! Allen Eggert defies gravity with a high jump that shows off his flexibility.

Making the Coach Smile
 Coach Ary enjoys a winning smile with his track teams after a long meet. Coach Ary and Coach Waggoner were once again able to take several athletes on to compete in the state competition

Boys:
 Eric Biring
 Chase Brotherton
 Casey Coughlin
 Craig Hudson
 Tom Shaw

Girls:
 JoAnna Adams
 Christina Collins
 Barbara Grogan
 Stephanie Riviello
 Crystal Wood



Muscle Man Coach Waggoner urges his runners to muscle up and finish strong.



Air Time Brandon Johnson gets some hang time as he tries for the perfect jump.



“
 Track was awesome. It keeps you in shape, it's fun being part of a team; and just hanging out with the other runners.”

-Ashley Smith
 Sophomore

The Show

By: Clara Madden

2005 Bear Baseball



“One of the beautiful things about baseball is that every once in a while you come into a situation where you want to, and where you have to, reach down and prove something.” -Nolan Ryan”



Bear Baseball

The Bear Baseball team consisted of; Jon White, Bobby Brooks, Zack Privette, Brick Wilce, Zane Privette, Coach Stirling Madden, Jake Smith, Daniel McQuiston, Zach Kojdecki, Steven Thomas, Coach Matt Perkins, Bill Wood, Justin Willard, and Nathan Moore.

SEASON OF MEMORIES



“We had a great time just hanging out and playing ball.”
-Bill Wood and Justin Willard

“The feeling after beating the other teams, and my first homerun ever.”
-Zack Privette



“In the district game against Licking, when Bill Wood was hit in the head by a wild pitch, and started heading to the mound.”
-Jake Smith



Advice from the Coach

Before each inning Coaches Madden, Perkins, and Cochran get a plan together and share it with the players in hopes of a quick, successful inning.



Brotherly Love...
Zane and Zack Privette, prove to the camera that they really do love each other despite what others might think.

OUTstanding Athlete

Justin Willard is a three year letter winner for the Bears as well as an all-conference and all district performer. Justin batted over .350 for the '05 season and .420 for his career as a Bear with 17 home runs and 73 RBI's.



In the Zone..

Jake Smith and Zack Privette, pay close attention to the team in the field, and note their weaknesses as they prepare to bat.



Heart of the team..

Coaches are the heart of the team, Coach Madden and Coach Cochran put their heart into coaching each game, win or lose.



Caught in the moment..

Zane Privette works hard to get ready before a game starts.

SMILE!

The Hoop Queen Court smiles for a picture for the Eductor. Back L to R Carrie Lovan, Kacey Willard, and Crista Ortiz. Front L to R Jennifer Krinke, Abbie Gauldin, and Beth Hohlt.

This year, Hoop Queen was held on January 9th, 2005. The coronation ceremony was held between the Junior Varsity and Varsity contests against the Hartville Eagles. The three underclassmen representing their classes that night were Freshman Carrie Lovan, Sophomore Kacey Willard and Junior Crista Ortiz. Senior Candidates were Abbi Gauldin, Beth Hohlt, and Jennifer Krinke. At the end of the evening Jennifer Krinke was crowned Hoop Queen 2005.



A Night in Central Park

By Casey McElye



Pep Band

Retiring Queen Michelle Dulaney



Abbi Gauldin and Beth Hohlt



Hoopqueen 2005 Jennifer Krinke



1. Senior Jennifer Krinke smiles for the camera after the coronation.



2. Crista Ortiz, Kacey Willard, and Carrie Lovan take time to take a picture.

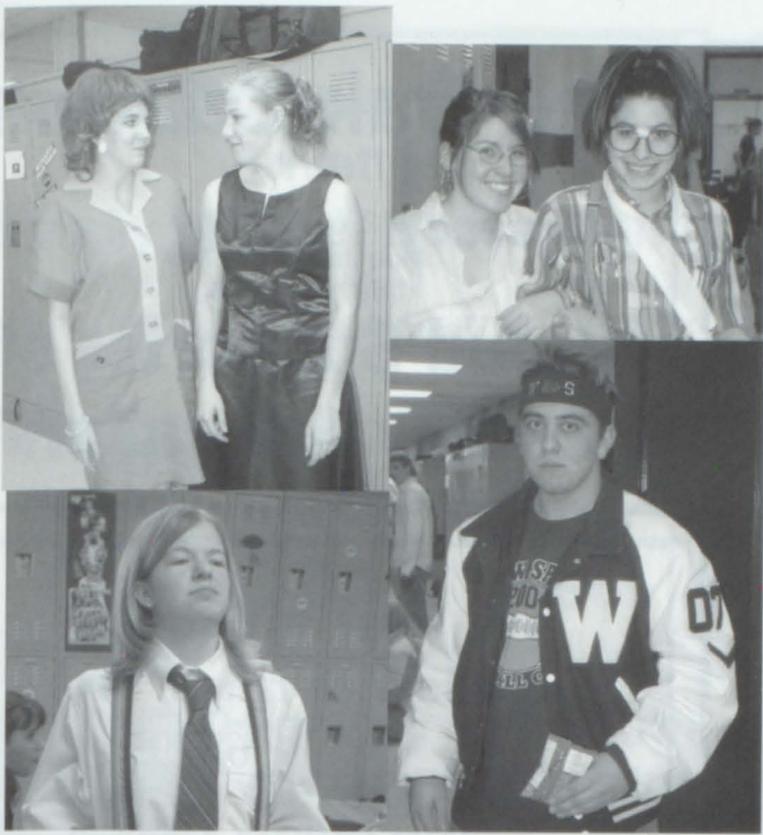


3. Seniors candidates Abbi Gauldin and Beth Hohlt



4. A Night in New York was the theme for Hoopqueen. The backdrop was a skyline of New York City.





"A Week in New York" was this years Hoop Queen theme. Monday was New Yorker Day, where students dressed as typical things seen in New York City, such as the Statue of Liberty or taxi drivers. On Tuesday, students dressed as broadway characters for Broadway Day. Crazy and unique fashions were seen throughout that halls on Wednesday for Runway Day. Thursday was Wall Street Day and students dressed as nerds and businessmen. On Friday, students were seen in traditional Maroon and White for Bear Fashion Day. Winners for best dressed were chosen each day and were awarded spirit points for their class.



Harry Klieves

Mrs. Griffith

Charles Meyer

Dawn Fox

Tom Shaw

Hoop Queen Spirit



GREASE LIGHTNING! This group of Sophomores dressed as the gang from the Broadway musical, Grease, for Broadway Day.

CAN YOU GIVE ME A LIFT? Senior Chase Brotherton gives Sophomore Jordan Johnson a boost while displaying their bear spirit!

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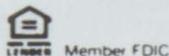
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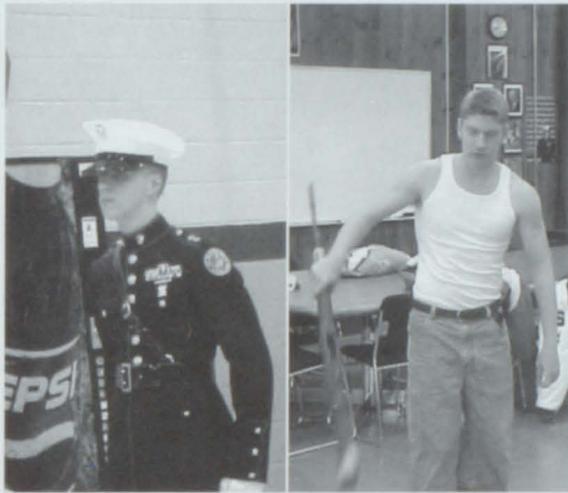
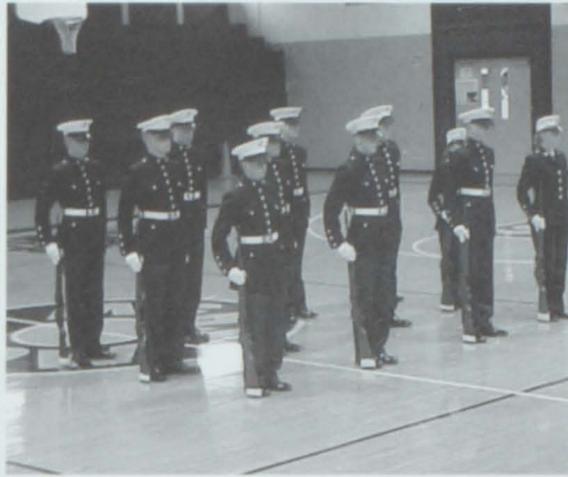
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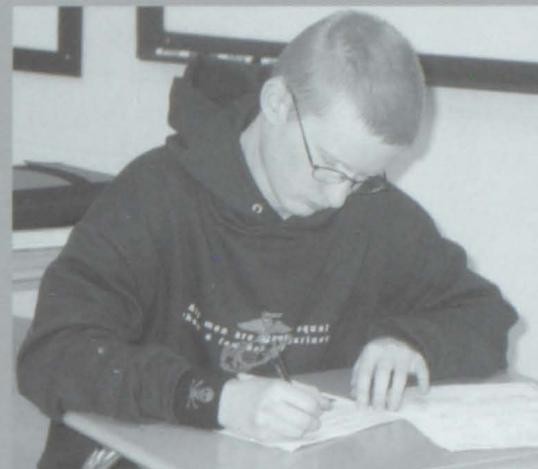
DOWN TO THE WIRE

Seniors found that some times their best work was produced at the last minute. College Composition, along with other senior English classes, kept students busy, and Cassie Casebeer pushed to finish an assignment before the 3 o'clock bell rang.



LEARNING TO PROBLEM-SOLVE

Students knew they had to show dedication and discipline in all their core studies. Students had to strive for excellence, and Robert Phipps did just that in his Math class.



STORY TIME

Justin Newman took an A+ class, and worked to help young children increase their reading skills. In this class the high school students, along with the elementary students had to work hard towards their goals of teaching and learning.



BE A BEAR

The Bear Pride Band practiced... what seemed to be morning, noon, and night to make Marching Band a big hit. Warming up before a show, Mr. Cochran added some final touches to their performance.



...LOOKING DOWN THE HALLS OF WILLOW SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL, EVERYONE WAS STRIVING FOR SUCCESS...

ACHIEVING GOALS Roughly one hundred and eighty days of school. That's approximately 1,260 hours of nonstop teaching... learning... and pressing on through high school. Both teachers and students learned to adjust to the school schedule after a summer break, new classes, new students, and new curriculum. How did they do it? They **STRIVED** to achieve. Students worked hard every one of those one hundred and eighty days. Some would strive to meet teachers' standards, finish projects, and turn in their homework on time. *Looking down the halls of Willow Springs High School, everyone was striving for success.*

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Adding It All Up

By Cassie Casebeer

Willow Springs High School students had a variety of Math classes to choose from. To start with they had Applied Math I, II, and III, then Algebra I, Intermediate Algebra, Geometry, and Algebra II.

For the students that really wanted a challenge there was Math Analysis, Calculus,

and College Algebra. Each student has to have at least three Math credits to graduate.

Many students along with their teachers worked very hard to get their math credits even if it meant getting up early or staying late after school.



One on One

Mr. Zorn made sure that Clint Ussery knew how to work the problem before he let him go sit down again.

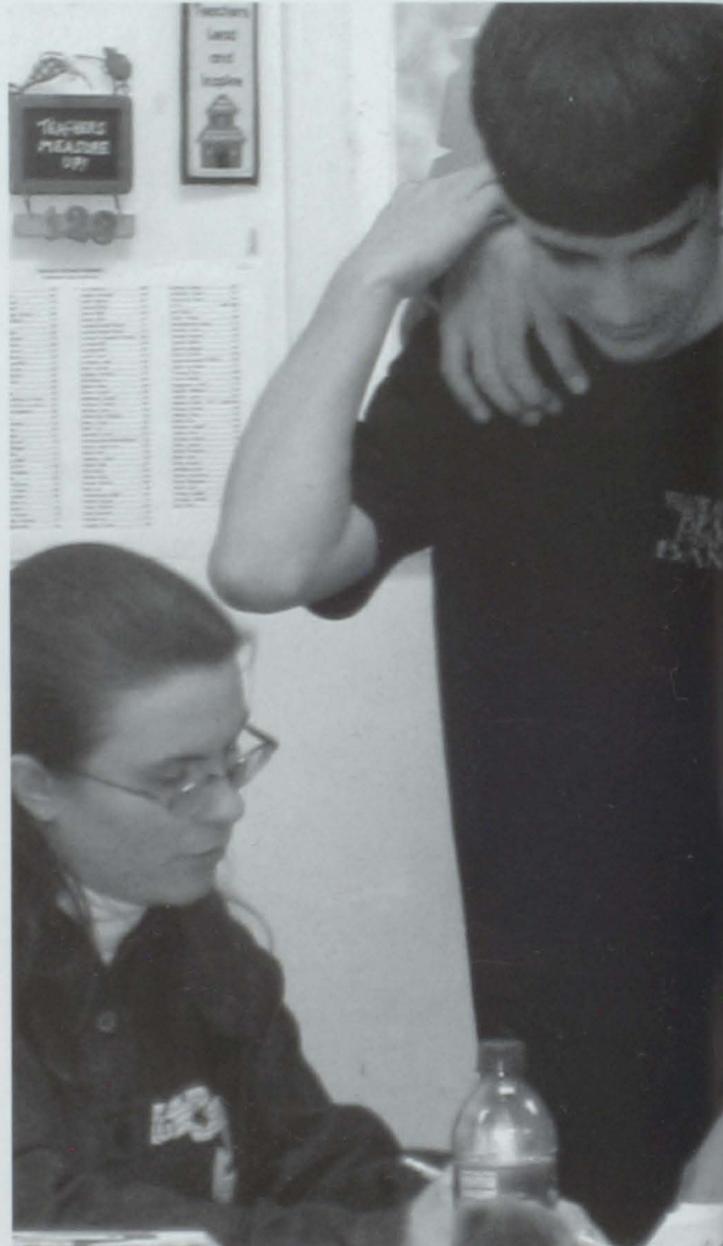
"Use Your Time Wisely"

Working on her homework in class, Laura Venn finished her worksheet so she wouldn't forget how to do each problem.



Working Out The Problems

Asking for an explanation one more time, Ryan Smith headed up to Ms. Brandt's desk for help with a problem, making sure he understood the assignment.

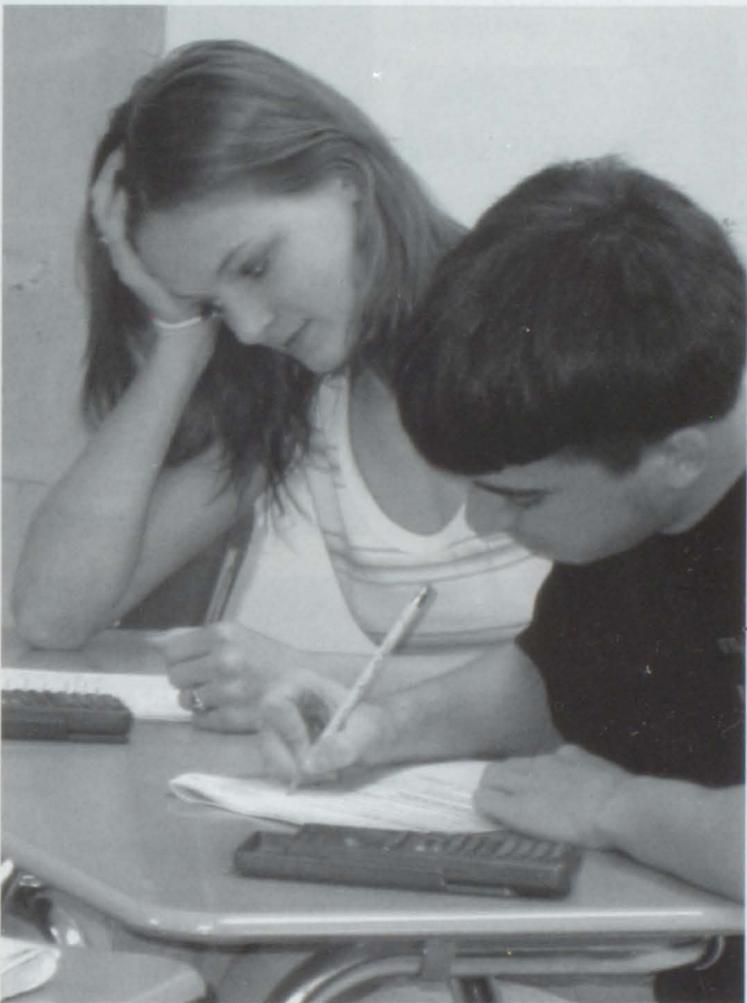


One More Problem Left...

Surrounded by piles of notebooks and textbooks, Ashley Rodgers concentrated on the math problem at hand, hoping to get it finished before she went home.

Learning A New Lesson

With books open to see examples, and notebooks busily being written in, these students payed close attention in their math class, making sure they didn't miss a thing.



Practice For The Tests

Working diligently by herself, Alicia Gutscher zoomed through the review worksheet in her math class, getting her ready for the big test that would come next class period.

Math Buddies

With each other's help, Ryan and Heather worked out each problem. Team work on the hard problems gave them the chance to explain it to one another when the teacher was busy.

MAD SCIENCE

By Cassie Casebeer & Clara Madden

Whether students found themselves interested in physics, biology, chemistry, or the human body, everyone had a

Bubble Gum Or Balloon??

Whether it was for fun, or actually for class, no one is sure, but in her Chemistry I class, Tory Waggoner made sure she had a good time while she learned.



science class that would interest them.

Teachers worked hard this year, and did an amazing job of making each class unique and exciting. Whether it was by telling stories, learning new games, or drawing examples on the board, the teachers really made their classes a success. Students walked away from the year with a new knowledge of the topics, ready for what the next year would bring in science.

'THE CUP GAME'

While at a teacher's retreat, Mrs. Miller learned a game that she thought would help add some spice to her early morning classes. 'The Cup Game' required that everyone be involved, thereby making the students excited and ready for the day's lesson.



Fire In The Chem Lab

With her final product now in front of her, Crystal Parker sat back and watched as her science experiment went up in flames. (On purpose, of course).

Expert Emily

Being in Chemistry II, Emily Lovan knew just what to do during an experiment. But just to be on the safe side, Emily was still careful to measure everything perfectly and follow all the directions of her experiment.





"Clap, Clap, BumbleBee..."

Katie Langford and Megan James kept a close eye on Mrs. Miller's hands as she taught them 'The Cup Game'.



Bug Eyed

Leaning in close to the camera wearing her big goggles, Jennifer Krinke proved that she wasn't breaking any safety codes.

Just Add a Pinch

In their Chemistry II class, students had the freedom to choose an experiment that interested them, and then carry it out with a partner. Here Andrea Kruse and Ashley Gutscher measured out just the right amount of chemicals needed for their project.



Ready To Begin

With his hair tied back and his goggles in place, Kent Smith was ready to begin his experiment.



Don't Spill Anything

Working in her Independent Study Chemistry I class, Cassie Casebeer had to have steady hands as she poured out her mixture into a bigger container.

Waiting For Results

In her Independent Study of Chemistry II, Brittany Patterson had to work extra hard to learn all of the material. After preparing an experiment, she waited patiently for the results to show in the beakers.

Finding the FACS

FACS classes range from child development skills to the well-known Home Economics class. But Mrs. Gum knows that her class isn't like any other; with their new ovens, sewing machines, and computer operated babydolls that stimulate the characteristics of a real babydoll, she

says, "Students get a real life look at what it's like to grow up in the real world." FACS classes provide students with the foundation for their individual identity in their own home for years to come.



Soup Kitchen Right, Abbi Gauldin dips in for some hot soup to serve up to her classmates.



Eating Healthy

Above, Kasia helps herself to some vegetables prepared by the FACS class.

Things Get Sticky

Right, Price Harper and Abbi Gauldin took some time off cooking to eat spoonfuls of peanut butter.



Lessons in Life... FACS students were asked the question: *What's the most important lesson you've learned from FACS?*



"That in everything you eat there are parts of insects and bugs in it."
-Senior
Ashley Gutscher



"That you can have fun cooking and cooking with your friends."
-Junior
Natalia Olguin



"Women can be pregnant without knowing until birth."
-Senior
Jessica Hicks



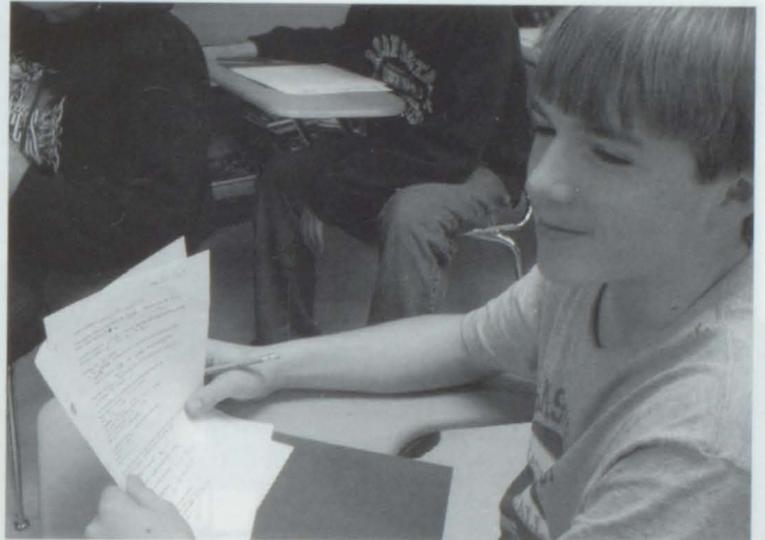
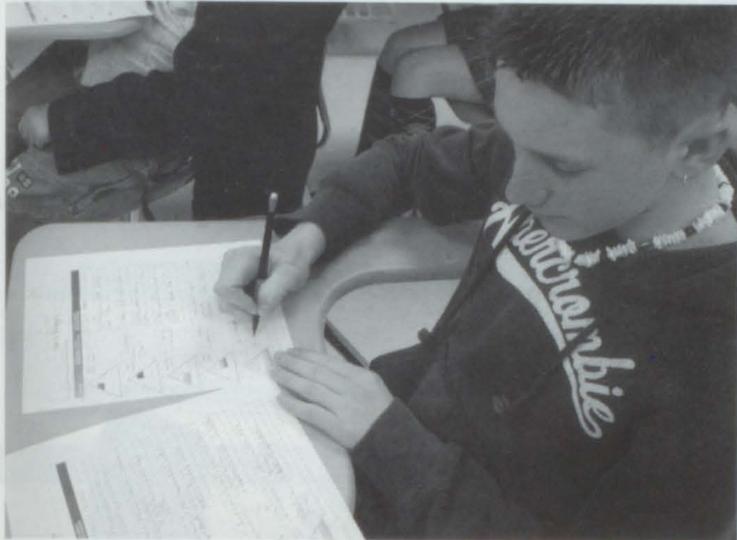
"That Mrs. Gum isn't liable for pregnancies!"
-Senior
Cheryl Brown

High School Health

A Healthy Identity

Each freshman is required to take Health for a semester, with P.E. for the other semester. This year Willow Springs High School was proud to welcome Mrs. Pitts as health teacher. Over the semester students learn to promote individual wellness, promote nutritional health, and maintain a safe-environment among many other subjects, such as researching key careers in Health. Health is a major building block to the education of freshmen while getting them off on the right foot for the rest of their High School career.

What Next? Health teacher, Mrs. Pitts ponders over how to teach her health class so that they understand the principles behind living a healthy lifestyle.



Organized Josh Kraus makes sure he has all his worksheets in line so he is prepared and can study for his next Health test.

Can You Repeat the Question? Jamey Andrews listens intently on what Mrs. Pitts is teaching that morning.

History

Cold Case



" Now everything is Maroon and white...NOT blue or green!"
-Coach Waggoner



" The library!"
-Mrs. Brower

What's
the biggest
change in
Willow
Springs
High School
since you
graduated?



"The student creativity and imagination!"
-Mr. Spence



"More rigorous curriculum, which prepares kids for college, because I was not as prepared for college."
-Mrs. Foster



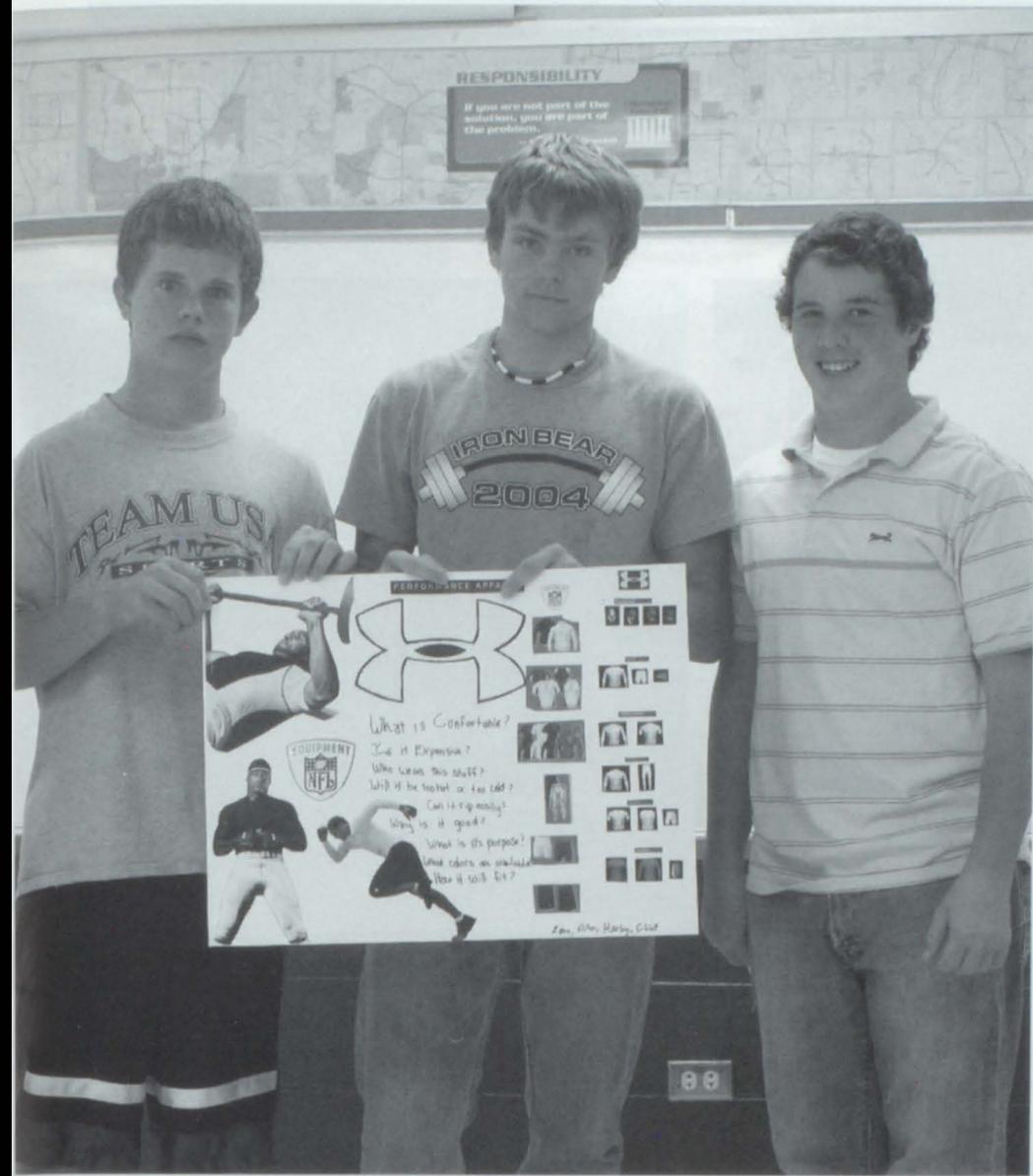
Twisted Up?
Tory Waggoner and several other students reviewed for one of Coach Waggoner's Economics tests by playing the always popular game of Twister.



"May I Have Your Attention, Please?"
Vinny Gerasimov presents his poster in Coach Waggoner's history class.

RESPONSIBILITY

If you are not part of the solution, you are part of the problem.



Under Armor

Harley Owens, Allen Eggert, and Zane Privette show off their poster on Under Armor while learning about Economics.

Studying Hard

Junior Kayla Allcorn reads her American History book in preparation for a test.



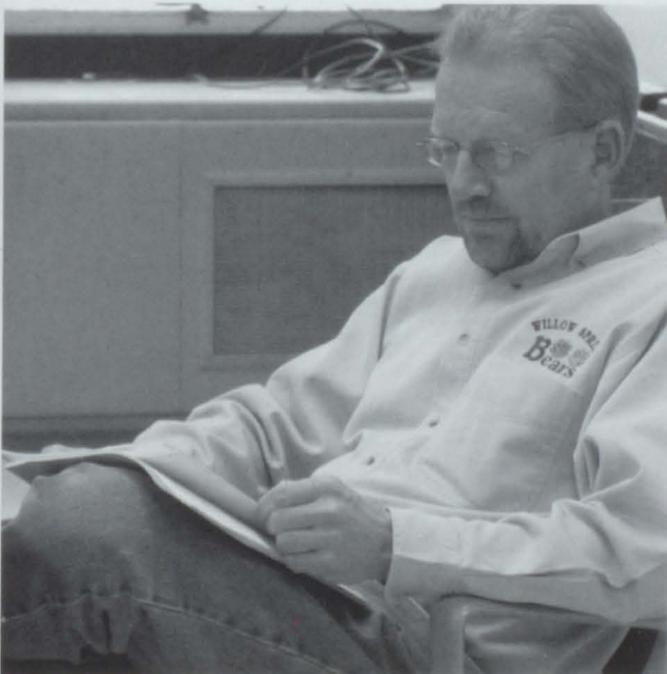
In the Past

Vanessa Webb tries to concentrate on the interesting movie in American History.



Silent Reading

Senior Alicia Gutscher takes time for SSR during Coach Waggoner's Missouri History Class.



Hmm...Very interesting

Mr. Waggoner takes time during his prep block to prepare for his next class.

OPEN TO INTERPRETATION

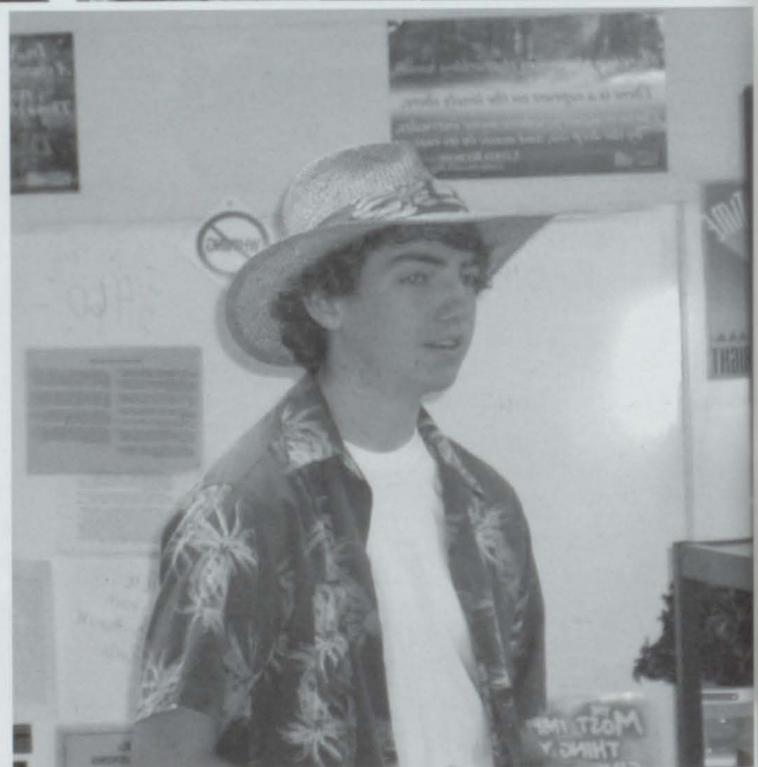
ENGLISH, SPANISH, & RUSSIAN

Willow Springs High School became a melting pot of culture in 2004-05. Along with the traditional Language Arts classes, students were exposed to both Spanish and Russian foreign languages. Plus, WSHS played host to three foreign exchange students from the countries of Poland, Korea, and Mexico. Sometimes it was important for students to listen closely to discover the language IDENTIFY of Willow Springs High School.



Howdy Ho Partner!
Price Harper performs his best sheriff impression in Coach Daughtery's College Composition class.

Aloha
Michael Gum presents a project focusing on the attack of Pearl Harbor in Ms. Daughtery's college comp. class.





Poetry and Music

Colin Elmore wails on his guitar during a performance in Mr. Spence's English II class.



Can You Hear Me Now?
During the Spanish Fiesta dinner and show, Brian Barry embraced the role of the Mexican President.

"...Something wicked this way comes!"
Harry Klieves works on his Shakespearean dialogue while portraying the murderous Macbeth in Mr. Spence's English II class.



Disco Fever
Harley Owens does his best Elvis impression while practicing for a skit.

YUM...
Senorita Griffith enjoys wolfing down some Whipped Cream during one of her many creative Spanish activities.

Technical Difficulties

In 2004-05 the tech classes made great strides. They completed several new renovations to the "tech castle" and are looking towards the future with big goals. The newest Sophomore students learned to network,

diagnose, and repair problems in computers, databases, and much more. Juniors and Senior students both improved their skills on tech work throughout the WSHS campus.

The Tech Monster

Brad Walters shows off a cleverly designed, "Tech Monster Mask."

Check it out...

Nathan Rouse shows off another successful computer repair.



Watch Where You Swing!
Senior Micheal Gum takes matters into his own hands while assembling a projector cart.

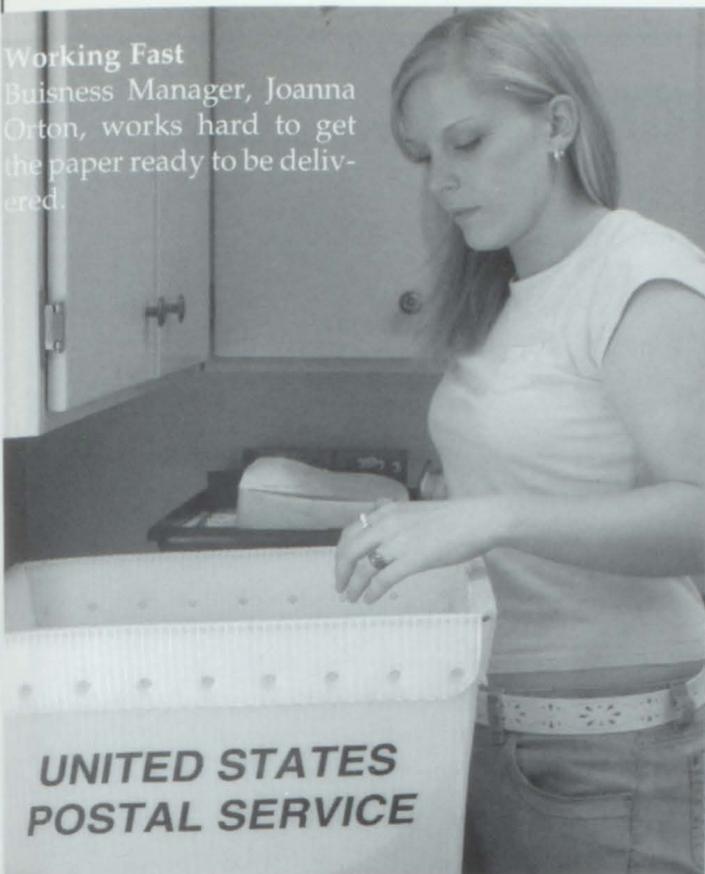


Mine! Mine!
Justin Sparks and Nathan Rouse assemble a cart.



Blown PS?
Junior Justin Sparks ponders the problem with one of the schools computers.

Working Fast
Business Manager, Joanna Orton, works hard to get the paper ready to be delivered.



Catching Mistakes

Eduator Editor, April White, looks over the stories for the week to catch any mistakes before they are sent off to print.

The Educator

The staff includes a Publisher, Editor, Business Manager, Photo Editor, and numerous writers.



Enjoying the Educator

Nathan Rouse scans The Educator for his stories to see how well they turned out this week.

The Boss

Mrs. Foster keeps on top of her staff through email communications.

The Beat

Mrs. Foster is the publisher of The Educator and instructor of the class known as Writing Seminar. The Writing Seminar class provides a real-life experience for students. Weekly deadlines are required because a paper cannot be published with white space. Students also deal with adults on a daily basis, both in and out of school. Sometimes that is a pleasant experience and other times it can be very shocking. Working hard is part of the class, but it also offers the freedom to create a story idea, generate that story into an article, and finally see it printed in the paper for others to read. The paper takes time to celebrate the accomplishments in various methods throughout the year. The staff works hard to print a school-wide paper and hopes that it will continue to improve.

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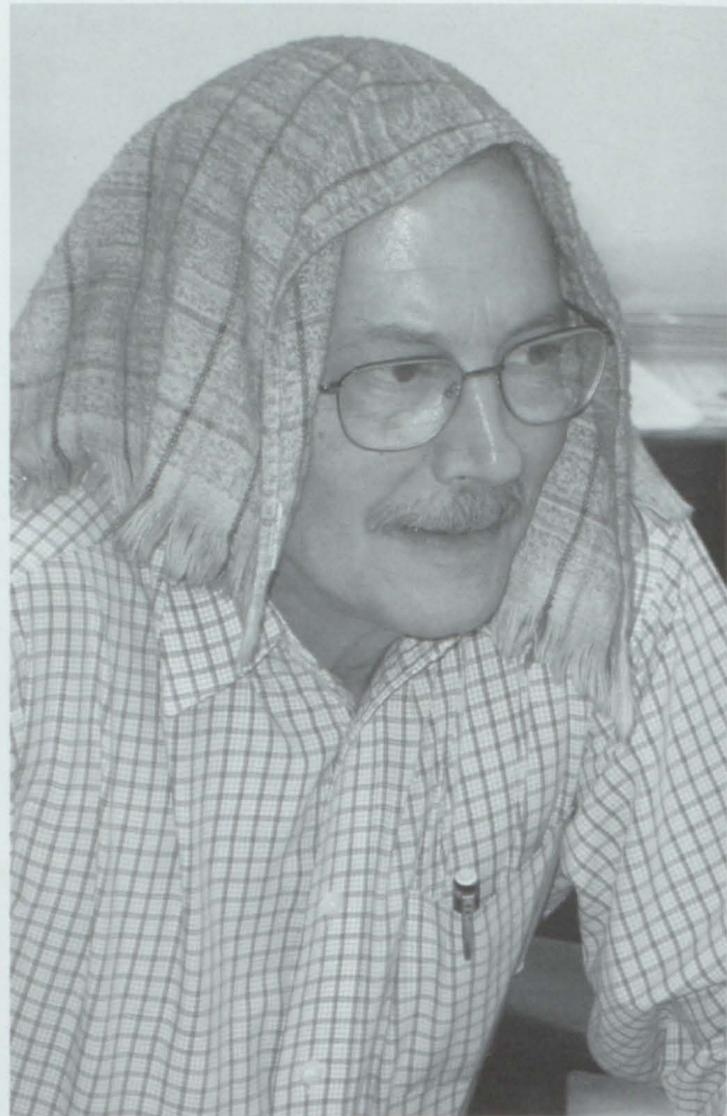
Campgrounds and Canoe Rentals

It's All in the Presentation Jordan Chilton works hard preparing for a C.A.T presentation that will amaze the judges.



It's Getting Hot in Here! Mr. Zorn towels down while providing his C.A.T students with ideas.

It's Fun to Stay at the... C.A.T students spell out the chorus to the famous disco hit "YMCA."



Follow the Clues

Curriculum for the Academically Talented

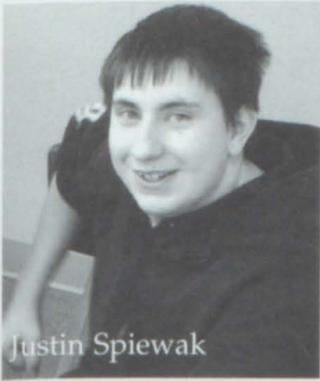


ATTITUDE C.A.T students prepare for a skit and attempt to make all the correct facial expression to get their point across.

SUCCESS It was another highly successful year for the C.A.T class, here the students relax after a job well done.

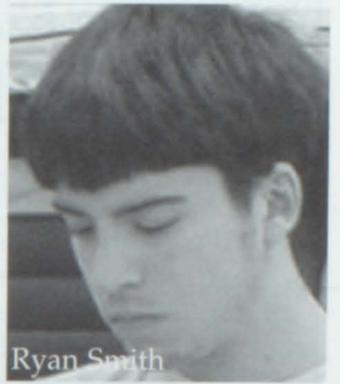


Speech and Debate



Justin Spiewak

2004-05 was a very successful year in Speech and Debate. The team worked hard, attended various competitions and brought home numerous awards. We would like to congratulate the Speech and Debate team on another great season.



Ryan Smith

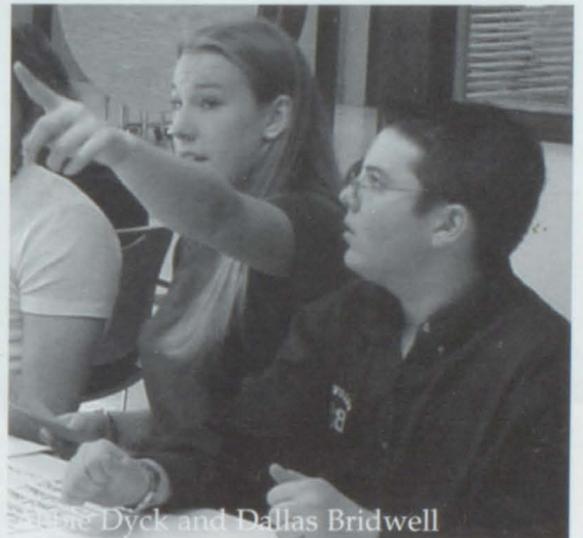
Closing Arguments



By Casey McElyea



Award Winners



Suzie Dyck and Dallas Bridwell



Miss Cozzens



Drama Club

Painting the Scene

By Cassie Casebeer

Like many years in the past, the Art department at Willow Springs was full of success. Students challenged themselves in every piece they created, stretched their abilities, and made every creation better than the last. New students were added into the classes, displaying fresh, new talent. They soaked up ideas and skills with every new lesson Mr. McGary taught them.

Students new to the Art world along with stud-

ents who have been in advanced Art for many years worked all year round in preparation for Alpha Rho Tau, which was held this year again in Salem.

Willow's performance was impressive yet again, finishing second overall. Some students who helped make it an amazing year included Crystal Parker who won 2nd overall artist, Zach Kojdecki winning 3rd place overall, and Kacey Williard & Beth Pitts tied for 4th.

Practicing with Pastels

Heather King smoothed in color on top of color, making the picture of her cheetah perfect.

Up Close and Personal
Leaning in close, Robert
McDaniel worked hard.



Finding Inspiration
Vanessa Webb thought about the layout of her next project.



Sketching Out Ideas
Brush in hand, Barbara Grogan began to paint.



Car Magazine?

Casey Coughlin could quickly produce many pictures of sports cars, airplanes, and old trucks.



"Show Me"

Jenni Stine plays a pattern game with her A+ student to help him learn.

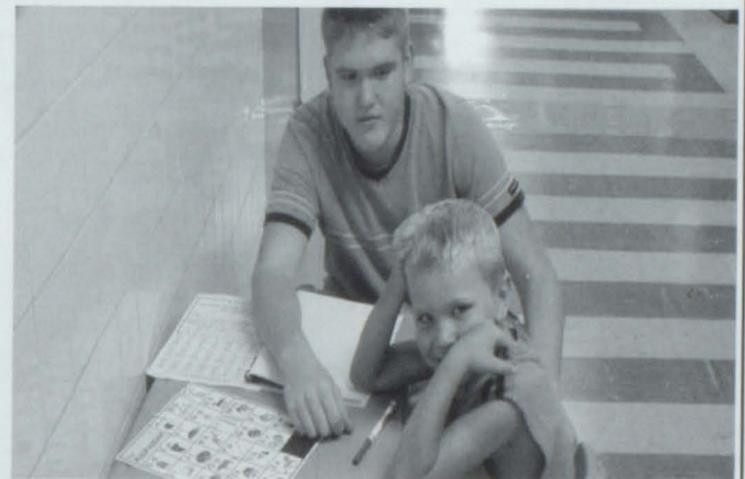
"Let's Read"

Dewayne Cook, left enjoys helping his student read and do other skills.



"A" Is For Apple

Tutors were very active with helping their students learn how to read. Alicia Gutscher works on recognizing the sounds of the Alphabet with her student.



Learning is Fun!

Senior Sarah Wagner prepares to play a helpful game for her student to learn.

We Can Do This

Dewayne Cook takes the time to help a first grade student with his reading.

A Helping Hand

Students take the A+ program to help pay for their college expenses if they attend a two year community college. It allows Juniors and Seniors to help Elementary students with reading and other skills. The class teaches students how to tutor and take responsibility.

Internship is a class that only seniors are allowed to take. Instead of going to school, they had the chance to go out and choose a workplace to help pursue their future career. This gave the Seniors a better understanding of what they are in for out in the real world.

Carving an Identity

Cabinetry and Drafting

"Here's How You Do It..."
Danny Somsel gets some advice on measurements from Mr Wehmer.



Whistle While You Work
Austin Tipton carefully draws the outline for his project.



Future Architects

This year the Cabinetry and Drafting class had a very successful year. They competed in the District Industrial Tech competition in Springfield and the SCA competition in Cabool. They focused on Architectural Drafting and even designed the furniture for the PTO. The students were also given the freedom to build what they wanted throughout the year. Great job guys!



Don't Look at the Light!
Jake Atwell learns a new welding technique.



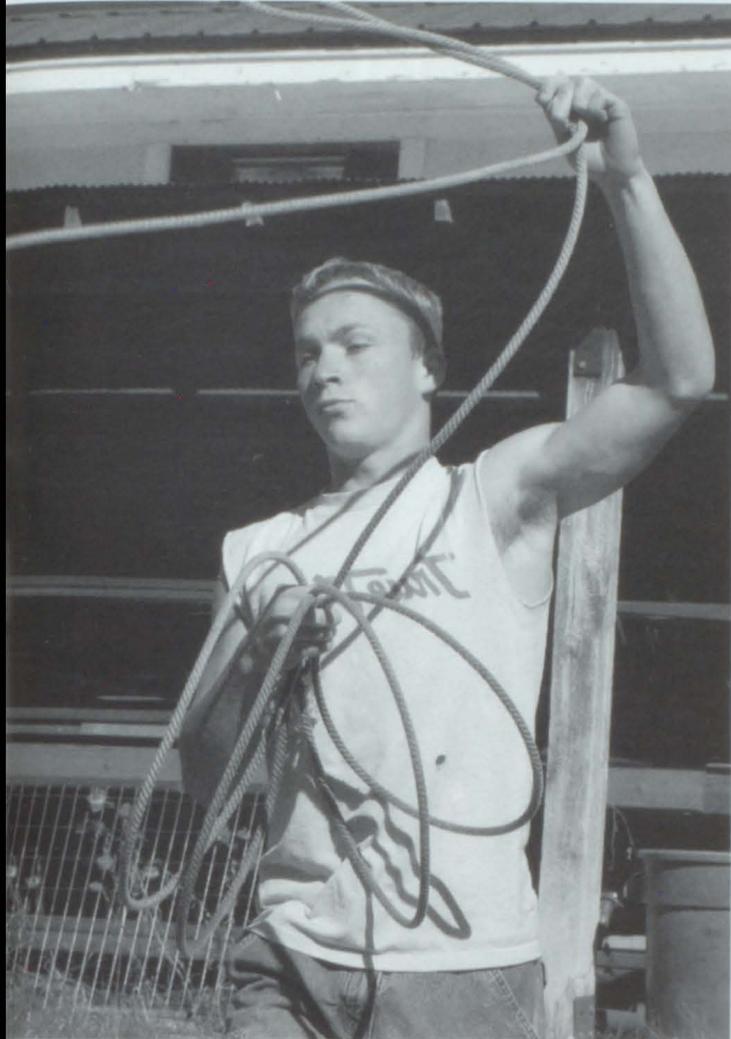
Smooth as Silk
Scottie Vanderbelt sands down his cabinets.



Cowboy Up!

Future Farmers of America (FFA)

Yee-haw!
Aaron Bowen competes with other schools at Aggie Days in the calf roping competition.



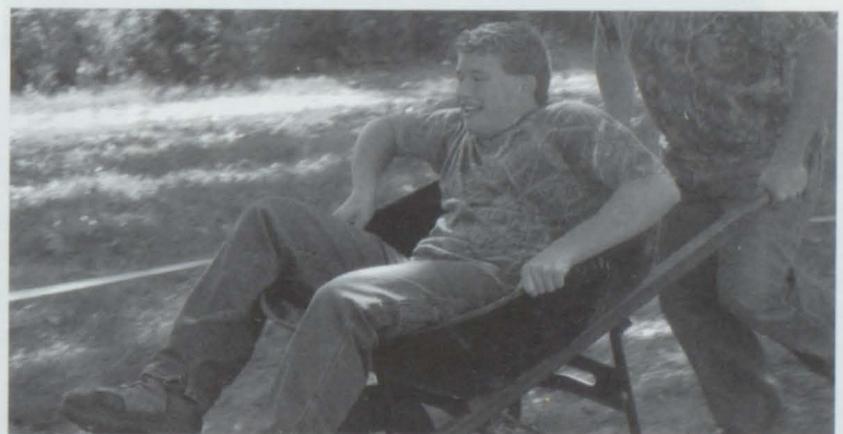
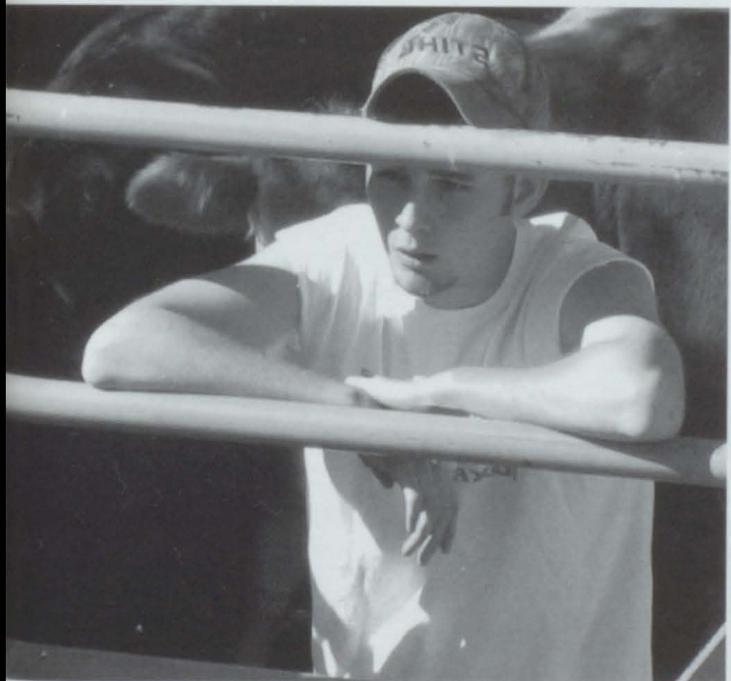
Single File Please...

Kacey Wake, rounds up the cattle to get them their shots in a competition at Aggie Days.



Dont fall!

Bobby Brooks and Zane Privette took some time off from working hard at the Agriculture Building.



I've Got My Eye on You

Matt Stolfus studies his competition and listens closely to Veterinarian Dr. Rouse give instructions for the competition.

A Bumpy Ride

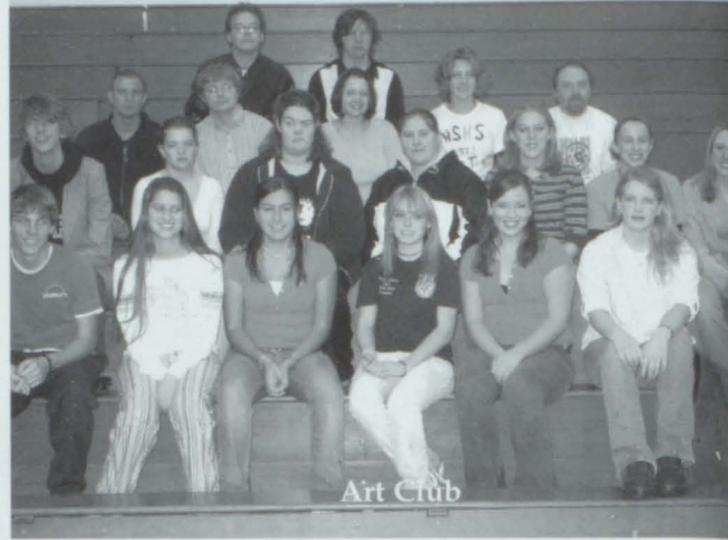
Jamie was one of the many students to participate in the Wheel Barrel Races.

Identify Your Club

2004-05 Willow Springs High School Clubs and Organizations



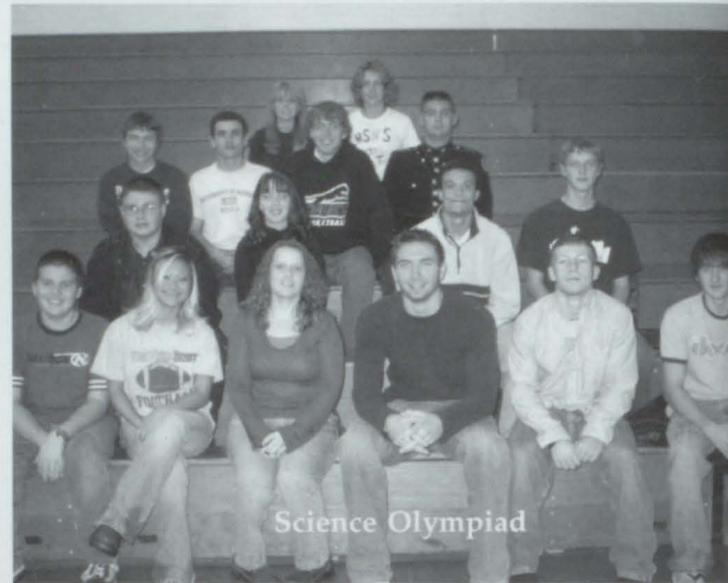
National Honor Society (NHS)



Art Club



Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)



Science Olympiad



Future Farmers of America (FFA)



Academic Team



Spanish Society



Industrial Tech



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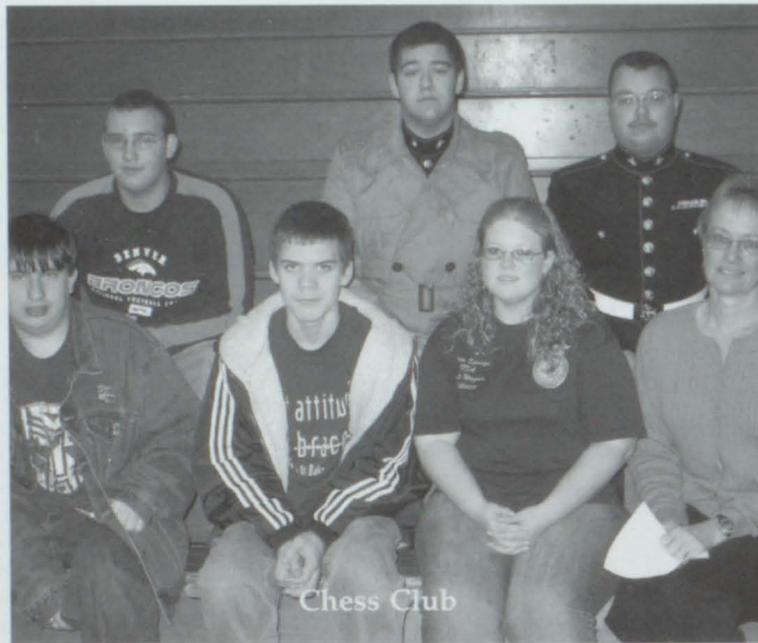
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Medical Explorers



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Chess Club



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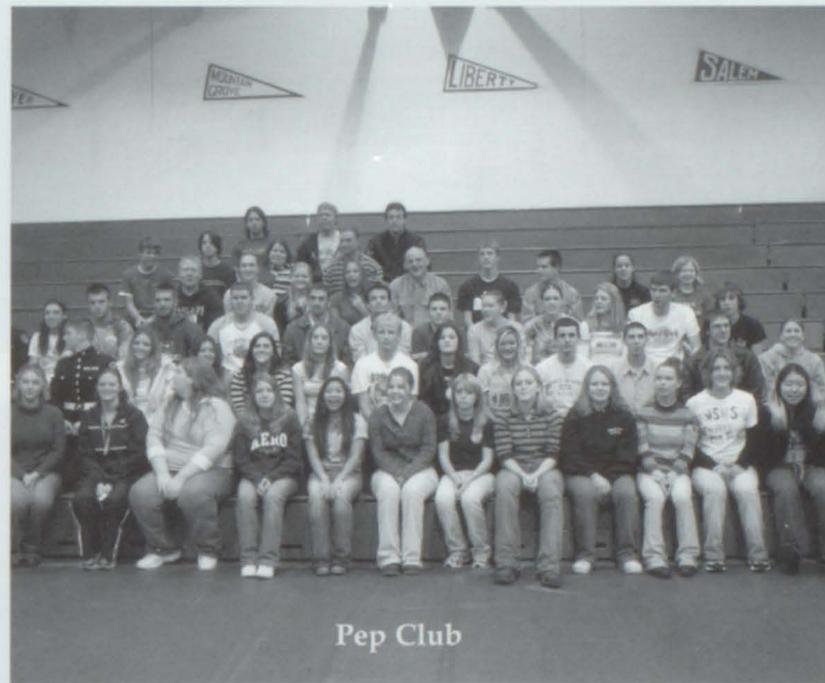
Lady Letterman



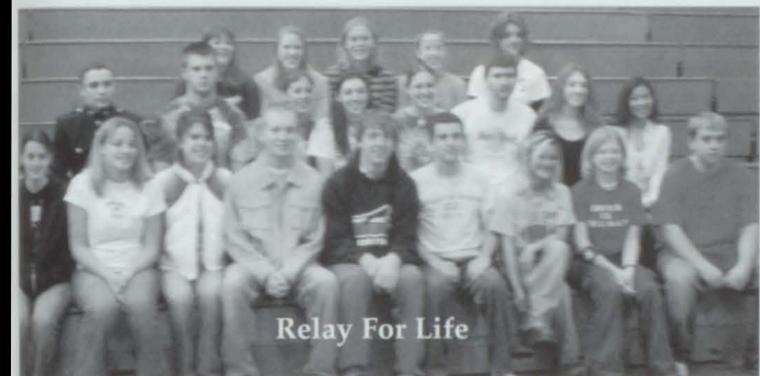
Sporting Chance



Letterman



Pep Club



Relay For Life



Speech & Debate



On Fire! Above is the infamous senior class homecoming float that caught fire prior to the parade.



Put on Your Happy Face Some students decided the best way to unwind was to paint up their face, throw on a wig, apply the big red nose, and clown around with their fellow students.

TIME TO ...

WSHS CROQUETTE?

During spirit week activities the senior class decided to create a fictional high school croquette team. The chosen coach to lead this team, Mr. Blagg, of course.



FOLLOW THE LEADER

Kevin Smith, dressed in classic Ag. attire, leads his goat on a field trip through town. During FFA week, the class presented an actual petting zoo for the elementary classes to get a "feel" for barnyard animals.



VOTERS

Toward the beginning of the school year, signs were placed around the high school halls informing students of all the candidates and their positions on the issues. A mock election was then held to see what the results would be if the students in high school were allowed to vote in the real election.



UNWIND

...MOMENTS WHEN STUDENTS WERE ALLOWED TO UNWIND WERE THE MOST UNFORGETTABLE...

High school isn't all about hard work. There were times when the students were allowed to wind down and have a little fun. Events like Prom gave students a chance to make memories that would last a lifetime. Classes such as Mass Media and the STUCO club helped create and preserve those memories. Those moments when the students were allowed to *UNWIND* were the most unforgettable.

PARADE TIME

When the weather was starting to chill, the band was just getting warmed up. Getting the townspeople of Willow excited and ready for Christmas, the band played as they marched their way down the street.



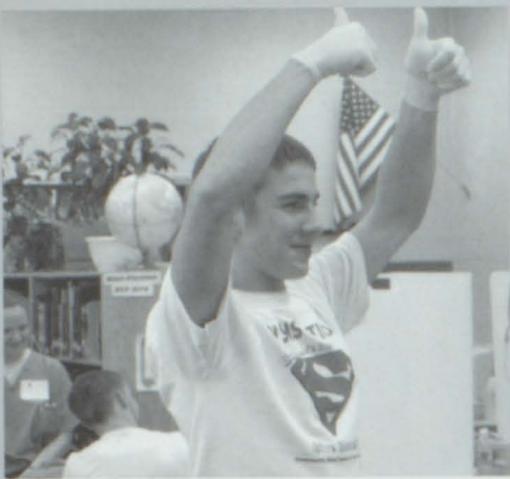
CHECKERS ANYONE?

Finishing up the end of their class time with Mr. Watson, some boys gathered around to play a friendly yet strategic game of checkers.



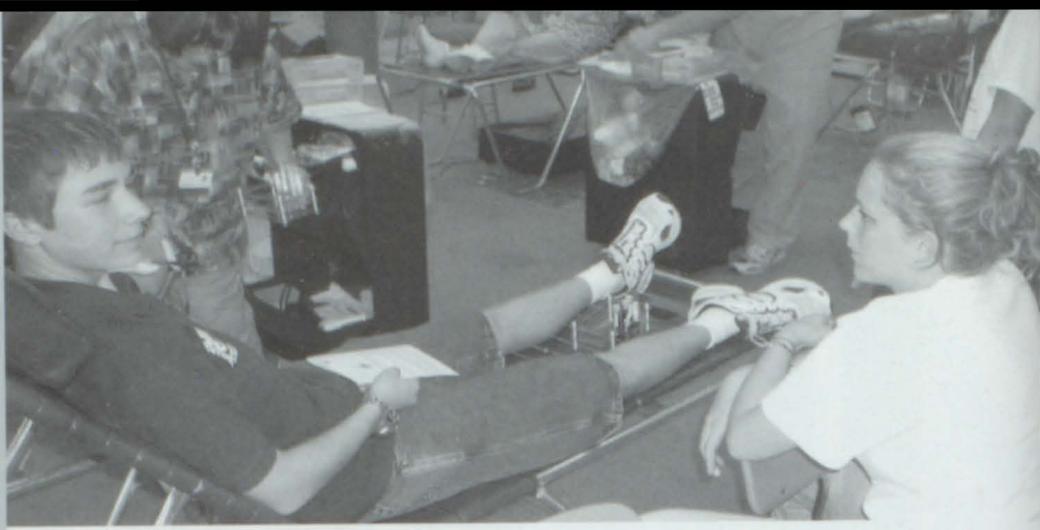
CAR RACES

In one of Mr. Sorrells' science classes the students made cars and ramps to see their science lesson in motion. A group of freshman girls stand at the top of their ramp, ready to release their car.



>> THUMBS UP!

Student Council member Zack Privette gives the thumbs up while helping out with the STUCO sponsored blood drive in October.



>> ILL BE THERE FOR YOU

Senior Joanna Orton comforts fellow senior and STUCO member, Ben Helmers while he donates blood.

STUDENT COUNCIL

BY: CASEY MCELYEA

The High School Student Council kept themselves very busy this school year. First off came Homecoming. With this came planning spirit week, the homecoming parade, and the actual coronation ceremony. The next big event was a STUCO

sponsored blood drive in October. Hoopqueen came next along with Winterball the following month. In March they sponsored yet another blood drive in the High School Library. Student Council did a great job on making all these events a

success. When asked about Student Council Junior and STUCO officer, Beth Mason said, "Student Council is a lot of fun and helps you learn how to deal with people."



Student Council 2004-2005

STUCO put in extra effort to make Winter Ball a success. The group spent hours on end organizing, designing, and creating every part of the special evening.



DRIP, DROP!

Kiley Woodring dressed as the blood drop to recruit people to give blood at the March blood drive.



➤➤ **CREATING THE COVER**

The yearbook staff traveled to Springfield to attend a short 'yearbook camp' a few days before school started. While there, they got ideas from area schools and brainstormed. Once they'd thought of a theme, they met with an artist, who took their ideas and created a cover for the yearbook.



"FOR KWSB, I'M FRAN DOMINGO"

Editor Michael Gum helps reporter Fran Domingo film her story in the high school halls.

MASS MEDIA:

KWSB NEWS

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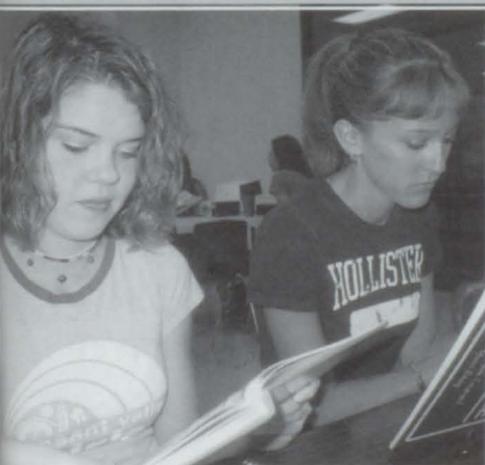
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BY: CASSIE CASEBEER

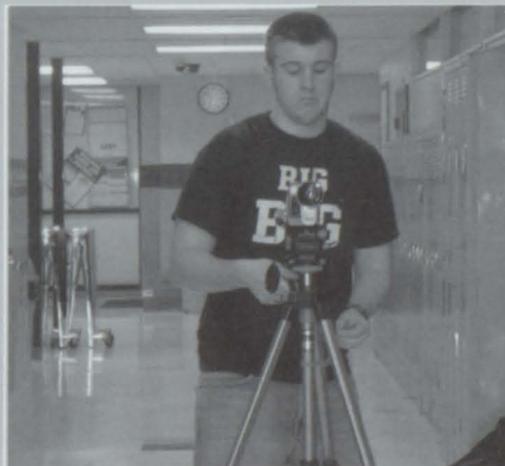


2004-05 Mass Media Staff



➤➤ **FINDING INSPIRATION**

Flipping through the pages of past yearbooks, Clara and Casey get ideas for their upcoming pages.



➤➤ **SETTING UP AN INTERVIEW**

Sportsman Tyler Cooley sets up his tripod and camera, getting ready to ask some questions to athletes for his KWSB story.



➤➤ **PICKING PICTURES**

Kacey Willard looked through the folders of pictures on the mass media computer in search of ones she could use on her pages.

Stolen Identity

Mr. Blagg as
Woody Allen



Kristy Kimball
as Kristen
Dunst

Beth Mason as Christy
Carlson Romano.



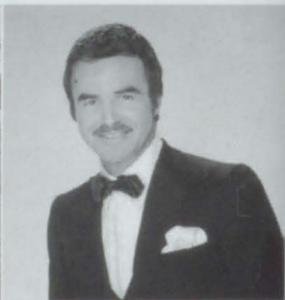
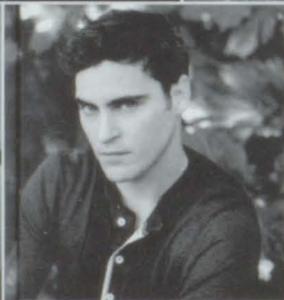
Kiley Woodring as Julia
Roberts.



Ashley Smith as
Gretchen Wilson.

Conner Lenihan as Jon
Heder (Napoleon Dyna-
mite).

Nate Law as Joaquin
Phoenix.



Coach Waggoner as
Jim Carey.



Mr. Hutsell as Burt
Reynolds.

Joanna Adams as
Natalie Portman.

Cassie Casebeer grabs her two Scottish Terriers, Margaret and Ellie for a picture. Cassie says that Margaret is her best friend and Ellie takes up all her time trying to potty train her.

A much younger Nathan Rouse with his cat, Ernie. Nathan said, "Ernie was a good cat and I liked to hold him because he was soft and furry."



Jessica Hicks with her favorite dog, Gabby. Jessica and Gabby are best friends and she says that Gabby is a very sweet dog and she always is doing things to make her laugh.



Abbi Gauldin with her Rottweiler Gracie and three of her newborn puppies. Abbi said, "Gracie is one of the sweetest Rotties I have ever had. She's adorable and so are her puppies!"

Furry Friends



Chelsea Newman with her Yorkie, Ruby. Chelsea said that Ruby is a very sweet and loving dog.



All School Candidids



Why Am I Wearing THIS?

After a yearbook trip up to Springfield, and after a long day of planning, the class took a break at the mall. While trying on an 'old lady' swimming suit, Cassie Casebeer wondered what convinced her to wear that.

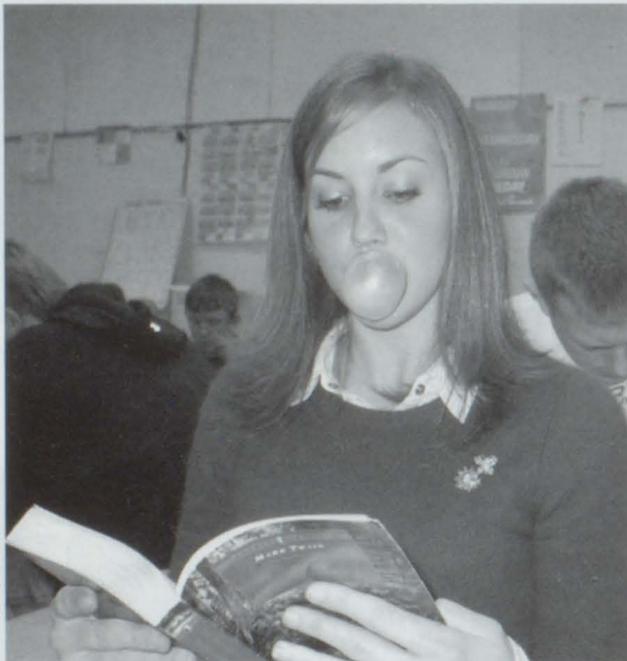
Piggy back rides

Andrew Cory gives Clara Madden a piggy back ride on a Youth Summit trip.



Bubble Reading [Left]

During novels, JoAnna Adams blew bubbles while reading a book.



ARGH! [Right]

Jordan Johnson growls at the unsuspecting camera man.

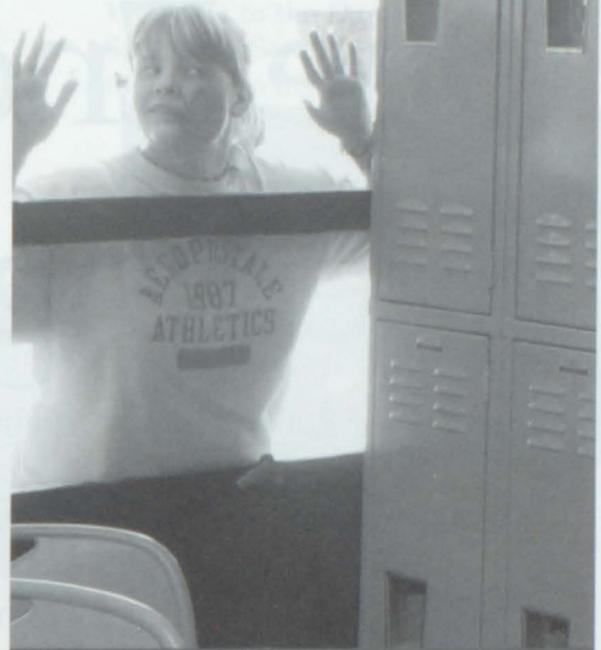


Table Manners Exempt Presidents of clubs at the school competed against each other at a pie eating contest. President of Future Business Leaders of America, Craig Hudson, and President of the National Honor Society battle to see who was the King of eating pies.



**Drinks any-
one?**

Junior Brian Barry and Sophomore Daniel Rhoades take a quick break from tennis practice to grab something to drink.



LET ME IN!!!!

Sophomore Lindsey McElyea was very giddy to get inside the school doors to start a fresh day.

Say Wha?

Stephanie Rivielle tries to wake up from her quick nap to learn some Algebra.



**Head first,
Down the
Stairs**

Adam Elmore shows how much he misses being a kid by cutting class and going down the stairs head first—and laughing while doing it.

I See You...

[Right]

Nathan Mersch puts on his safety goggles before he does his experiment in chemistry.



YIKES!

Juniors Lester Orton and Dustin Green pretend to kiss at the snap of the camera.

One Enchanted Evening ...

In April of 2005, Willow Springs High School celebrated it's annual spring tradition...Prom Night. The theme for Prom was Enchanted Evening and the event was held at the Holiday Inn in Springfield. Once again the Juniors along with sponsor Mrs. Brower planned an amazing evening filled with great food, dancing, and enchantment.



Arm in Arm Prom guests entered together with their names announced in Royal style.



A Senior Moment Left to Right, Joy Labayan, Beth Hohlt, and Abbi Gauldin.



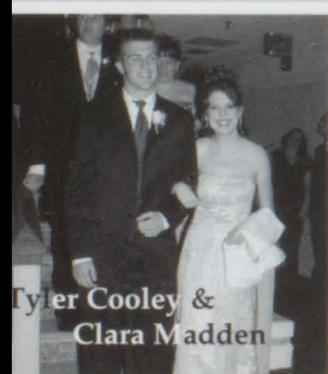
From Camo to Ties Left to Right, Tom Shaw, Justin Willard, Bill Wood, Drew Simon, and Jordan Reaves try to impress their dates.



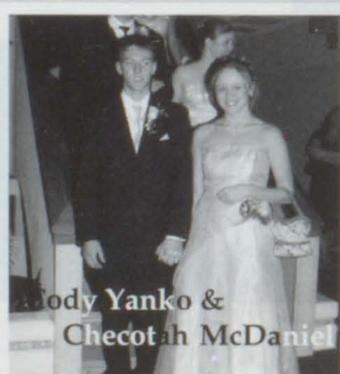
Bags Are Packed Price Harper and Lindsey McElyea get ready to board the bus for Prom. The bag is for Project Prom, an all-night event full of fun and games at the YMCA in Springfield.



Junior League Left to Right, Ryan Smith, Nathan Mersch, and Justin Spiewak.



Tyler Cooley & Clara Madden



Jody Yanko & Checotah McDaniel



Nathan Mersch & Amber Ferguson



Austin Lovan & Brittany Lovan



All Aboard! Students boarded charter busses to travel the 80 miles to the Holiday Inn in Springfield. The busses provided comfortable seating as well as movies to entertain Prom guests.

Welcome to the Dance Kevin Smith and Sara Wagner make their way to the dance floor.



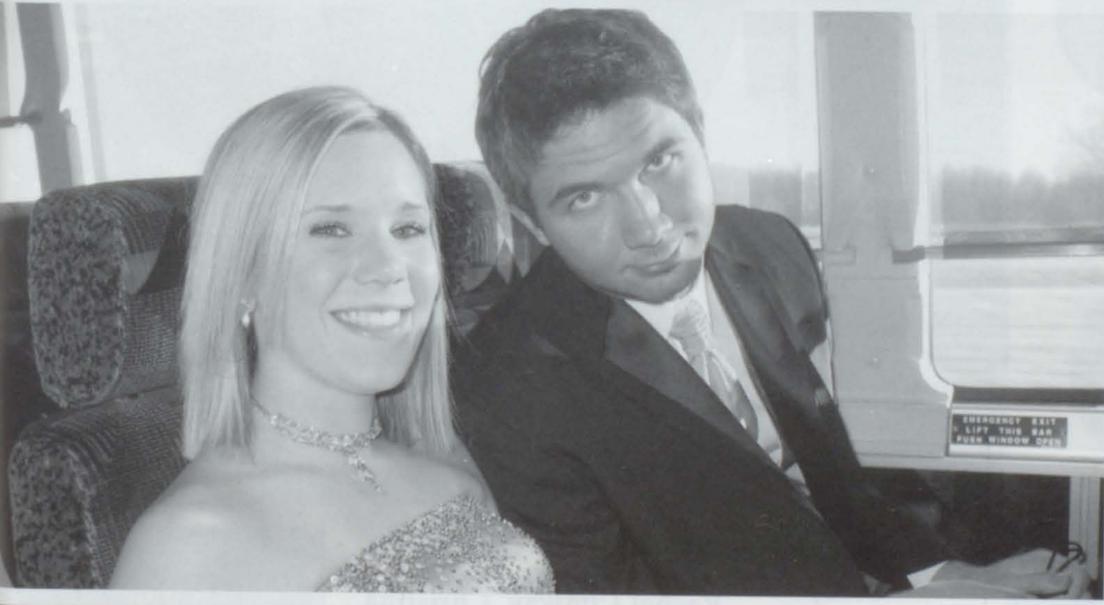
Photographic Opportunities Michael Gum and Phoebe Wiles were just a few of many having their pictures taken by proud parents before Prom.



Big Smiles Everyone, including Ryan Phillips and Abbie Dyck were smiling as they enjoyed everything that Prom had to offer.



Enchanted Memories and a Night to Remember Clockwise from Left to Right, Bill Wood and Kara Hinten pose one final time before boarding, Matt Stoltzfus and Brittany Welton share a dance as the King and Queen of Prom, students get down to the "Cha Cha Slide," the floor was packed with students waiting in line for their prom portraits, and Adam Elmore and Abbi Gauldin ride the bus.



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2005 Graduation

"Now is the Time!" Principal, Mr. Hutsell addressed the Graduation crowd with that phrase during his speech at the 2005 Commencement Exercise. The huge crowd of parents, teachers, family, and friends also heard speeches from Class President Paula Domingo who stressed in her speech the importance of following your own path. April White gave the Salutatorian address and encouraged her fellow graduates to keep up their perseverance. The Valedictorian for the Class of '05 was Phoebe Wiles. Phoebe focused on giving thanks to those who had made a difference in her own and every graduates individual lives.

The class chose Kelly Clarkson's hit song, "Breakaway" as their class song. As the graduates filed past the school board and Superintendent Dr. Hamby, they received their diplomas that they've worked the last four years earn. After tassels were turned and hats tossed, the students made their way into the gym parking lot where they were met by those that had helped them make it through their high school years. Pictures were taken and memories made as the Class of 2005 left their final mark on Willow Springs High School.



The End of a Legacy



Countdown Seniors prepare for their final moments as high school students before entering the "real world."

Last Minute Above left, Ms. Daugherty gives final instructions on Graduation etiquette before the Class of 2005 enters the gym. Above right, Beth Hohlt appears anxious waiting to make her walk.



Eric Biring and David
Corey

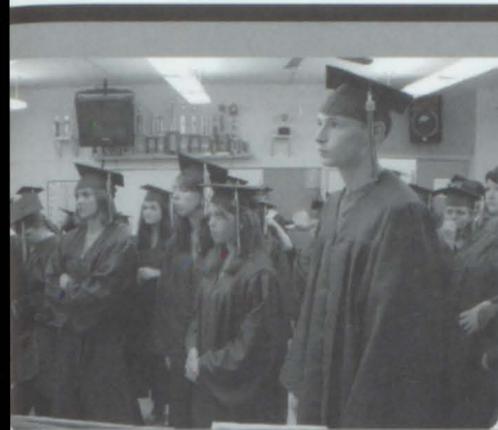
Rachel Conway, Christina
Collins, JoAnna Adams, and
Crystal Wood





Take Your Seat For the last time students are directed to their assigned seats.

Lift Off! At the signal from Mr. Hutsell, Seniors launch their caps into the air in a classic Graduation tradition.



Your Attention Please Serious faces look on as the graduates get ready for their big day.

Here's to you
Class of 2005!
Good Luck!

One Last Smile Erin Prorock and Brittany Tolliver share a moment together.



Jessica Hicks



Adam Elmore



Kellee Roche



John Ewers



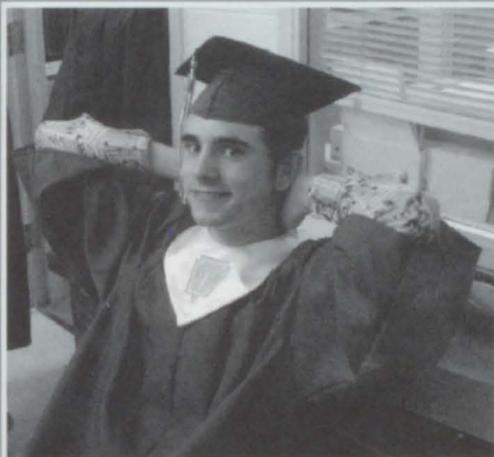
Molly Adams



Price Harper



Jessica Henning



Looking Into the Future Clockwise from left to right, Nathan Rouse chills out, satisfied with his accomplishments, Monica Evins and Valedictorian Phoebe Wiles smile together one last time, Senior members of the Willow Springs High School Choir perform "You Raise Me Up."



The Willow Springs R-IV
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Seniors put on the cap.



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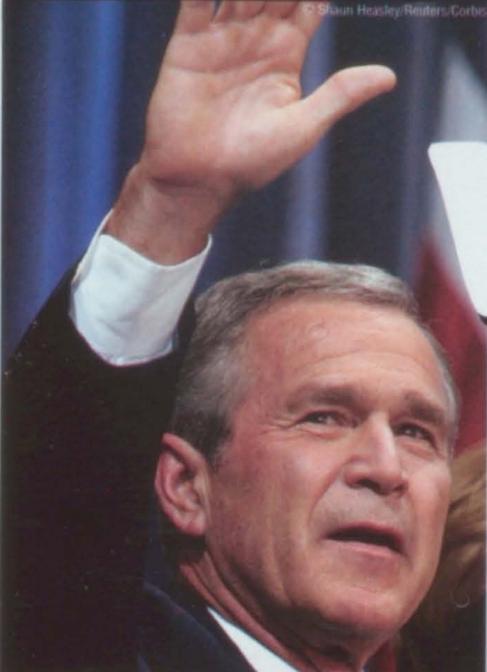
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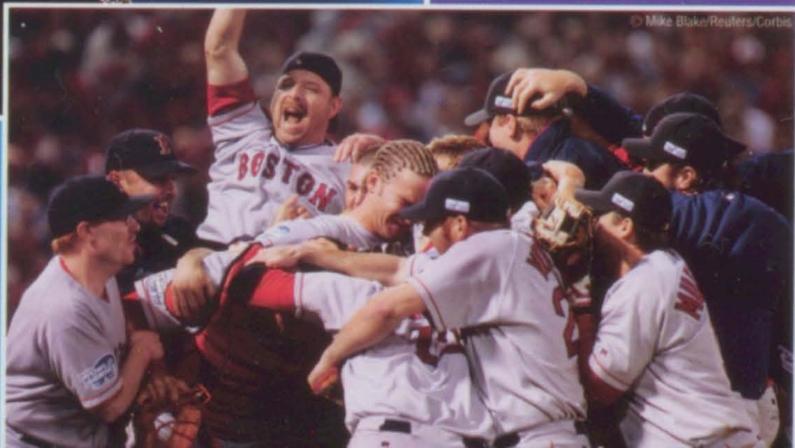
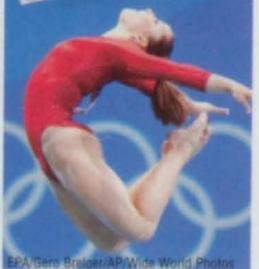
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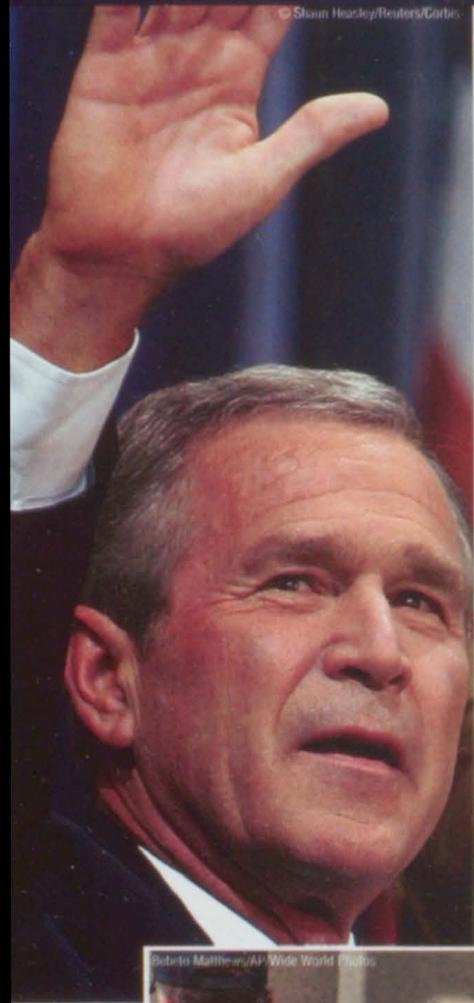


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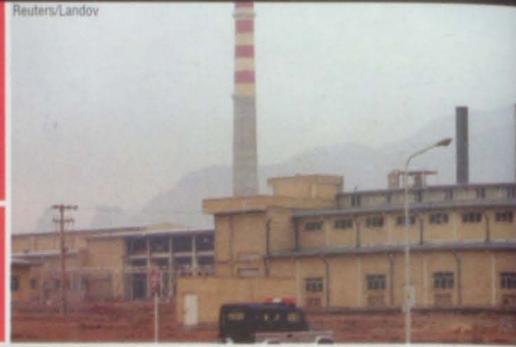


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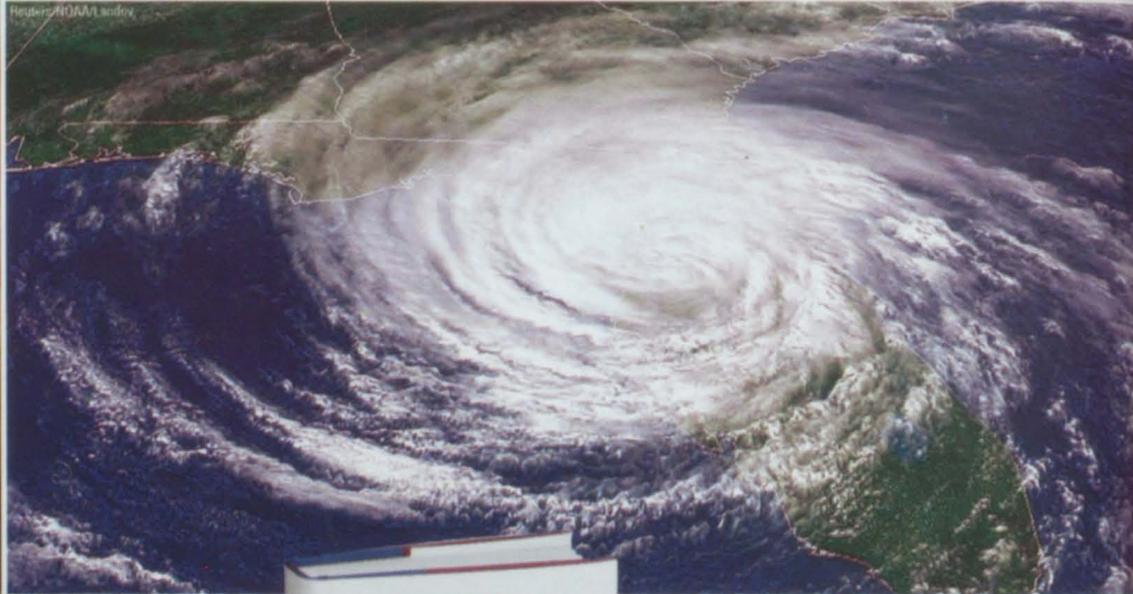
Republican incumbent George W. Bush narrowly defeats Democratic challenger John Kerry in the hotly contested 2004 presidential election.

Despite assurances that its nuclear program intentions are peaceful, Iran voluntarily suspends its uranium enrichment activities in the face of protests from NATO and the U.S.

Reuters/Landov



Five hurricanes hit the Caribbean Sea, Florida and the southeastern U.S. coast in the fall of 2004, causing \$25 billion in damages.

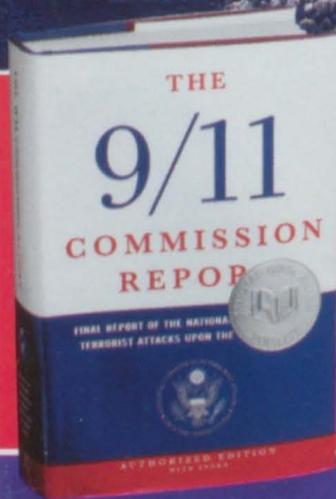


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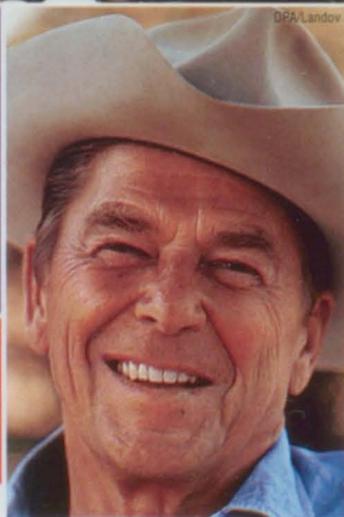
Lifestyle guru Martha Stewart begins serving a five-month jail sentence in West Virginia, after being found guilty of lying about a suspicious stock sale.



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In July, the Bipartisan 9/11 Commission releases its report of circumstances surrounding the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.



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Ronald Wilson Reagan, 40th president of the United States, dies in June at the age of 93.

Strong partisan division over issues at stake throughout the 2004 presidential campaign results in record turnout of voters under 21.

In November, Minnesotan Chai Vang allegedly shoots and kills six hunters and wounds two others after he is caught trespassing on a hunting platform in Wisconsin.



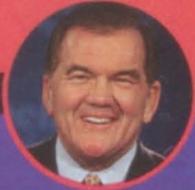
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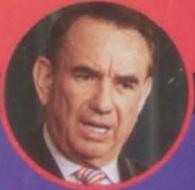
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Tom Ridge leaves his position as secretary of homeland security.



Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson resigns.

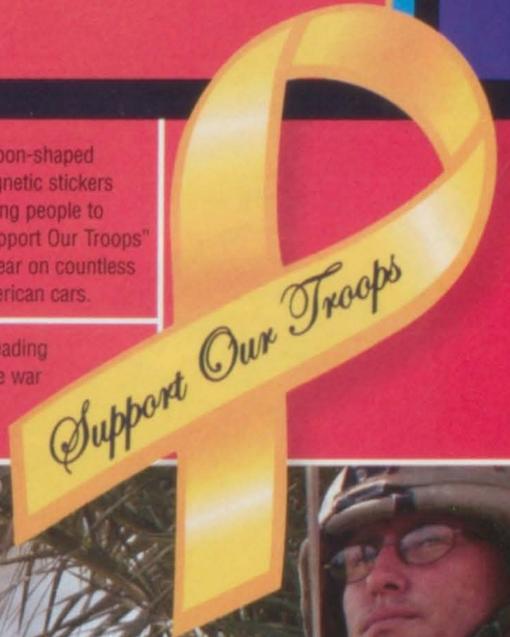


Secretary of State Colin Powell steps down.



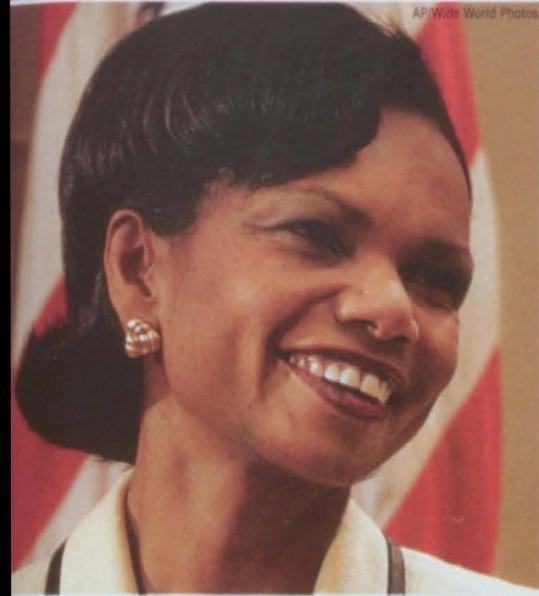
Attorney General John Ashcroft relinquishes his cabinet post.

➤ Ribbon-shaped magnetic stickers urging people to "Support Our Troops" appear on countless American cars.



Ⓛ National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice makes history as the first black female to become secretary of state when she succeeds Colin Powell.

Ⓛ Coalition troops face a persistent terrorist insurgency leading up to the Iraq presidential election in January 2005. The war costs the lives of over 1,400 coalition troops, as well as over 14,000 Iraqi civilians.



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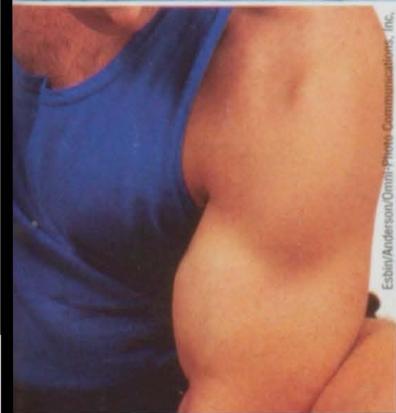


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Ⓛ In the trial of the year, California jurors find Scott Peterson guilty of the first-degree murder of his pregnant wife, Laci, and second-degree murder of their unborn son.



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Ⓛ More than 220,000 lives are lost after a massive earthquake in December off Indonesia's coast causes a tsunami that smashes coastlines in Southern Asia and as far away as Somalia.

Ⓛ The Center for Disease Control's Youth Risk Behavior Survey finds 6.1 percent of teenagers surveyed have tried steroids as compared to 2.7 percent in 1991.



PROTECTING AMERICA

Ⓛ In response to the investigation by the Bipartisan 9/11 Commission, the U.S. Senate passes the National Intelligence Reform Act.

global



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➤ PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, 75, dies in a Paris hospital. Palestinians view him as a leader who sought a homeland for his people, but many Israelis see Arafat as a ruthless terrorist.

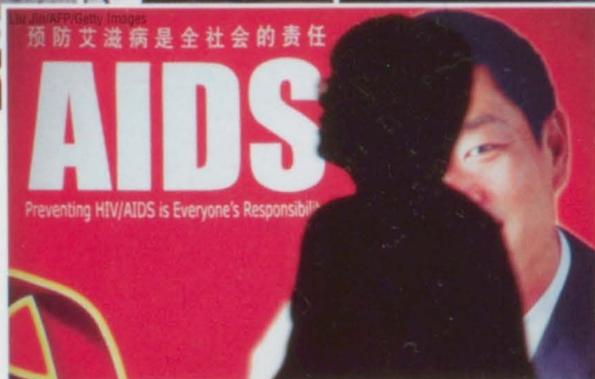
➤ In October, more than 10 million Afghan men and women vote in the country's first presidential election — a milestone in the country's transformation after 25 years of war and Taliban control.



➤ At 885 feet the new Millau bridge in southern France is the tallest bridge in the world.



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预防艾滋病是全社会的责任
AIDS
Preventing HIV/AIDS is Everyone's Responsibility

➤ The United Nations reports the AIDS epidemic is growing in Africa and worsening dramatically across eastern Europe and Asia.

➤ After more than a year of ceasefire, civil war re-ignites in the Ivory Coast as a result of President Gbagbo's ordering air strikes on rebel positions.



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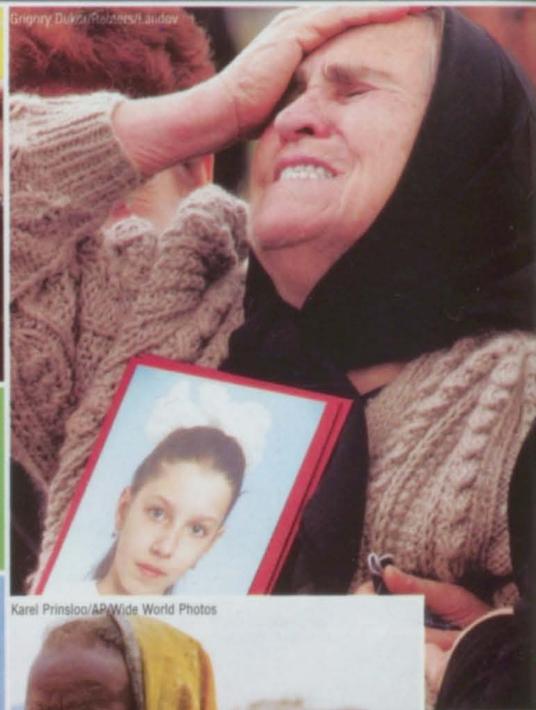


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➤ The Ukrainian Supreme Court invalidates that country's disputed presidential election because of vote tampering. In the revote, pro-West opposition leader Viktor Yushchenko claims victory.

➤ In September, Chechen rebels kill more than 430 people in a series of terrorist attacks in Russia, including the bloody attack on an elementary schoolhouse.

➤ After 22 months, the conflict in the Darfur region of Sudan continues to grow, leaving more than 2.3 million Africans in need of humanitarian aid.



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Karel Prinsloo/AP/Wide World Photos



human interest

Mark Humphrey/AP/Wide World Photos

FLU CLINIC

Due to manufacturing errors, the United States faces a flu vaccine shortage. The U.S. Department of Health reserves vaccinations for those most at risk — people over 65 and infants six to 23 months of age.

In August, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center opens in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Tom Uhlman/AP/Wide World Photos



Countries and individuals around the world join together to pledge over \$4 billion in relief for those devastated by the December tsunami disaster.

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Christopher Reeve dies at age 52. Reeve is remembered for his movie role as Superman and as an advocate for spinal cord research after being paralyzed in an accident in 1995.

Robert L. Wollenberg/UPI/Landov



The National World War II Memorial is unveiled in Washington, D.C., in honor of the millions of Americans who served during World War II in the military and on the home front.

Brad Cooper/Dallas Morning News/Corbis



A prolonged deployment of over 200,000 U.S. troops to Iraq leaves many families struggling at home.

According to the Lance Armstrong Foundation, over 20 million people are wearing the yellow "Livestrong" wristbands that help fund and promote the organization's cancer research.

In September, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates announces a \$168 million donation to fund malaria research.



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Portable photo printers that do not require a computer are a hot item for digital camera owners.

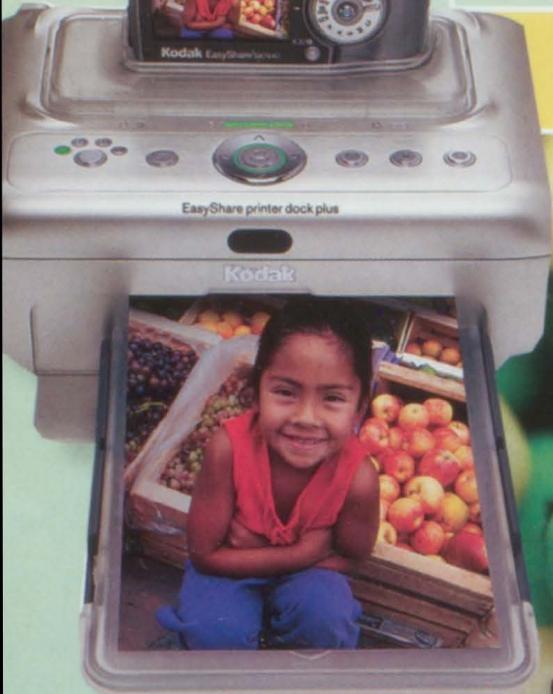
Hong Kong-based toymaker Wow Wee Ltd. sells 1.5 million Robosapiens since the toy's introduction in April. Among other "talents," the \$100 robot can belch and pass gas on command.

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The Food and Drug Administration links the use of antidepressants such as Zoloft, Paxil and Prozac to suicidal behavior in teens.

The Indianapolis Star/Matt Detrich/AP/Wide World Photos



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SpaceShipOne, the world's first privately developed spacecraft, is named "2004 Invention of the Year" by *Time* magazine.



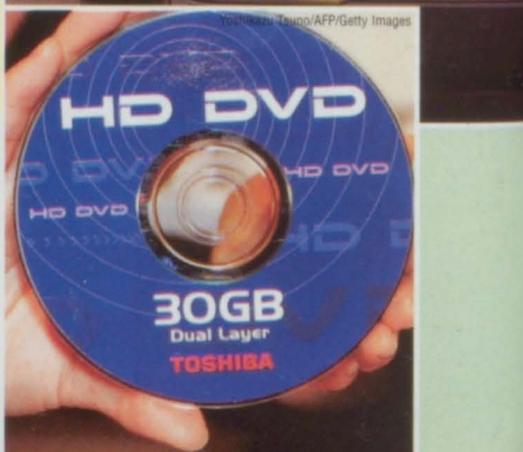
Noah Berger/Bloomberg News/Landov

Apple's iPod is the year's hottest tech gadget, fashion accessory and advertising personality, all in one credit-card-size package.

After four years on the market and billions of dollars in revenue, pharmaceutical company Merck recalls the arthritis drug Vioxx due to increased risk for cardiovascular disease.

General Motors releases the industry's first full-size gas-electric hybrid pickup truck, the Chevrolet Silverado.

Toshiba's HD DVD and Sony's Blu-ray battle for supremacy over the next generation of DVD technology. Major movie studios are evenly divided in their backing of the two technologies.



Technology Tempo/AP/Getty Images

nature



Amy Lane

➤ Designer dog breeds like the "Goldendoodle," an allergy-friendly cross between a golden retriever and a poodle, are in high demand.

➤ African lions join the endangered species list because they are being killed to protect domestic livestock and their habitats are being destroyed.

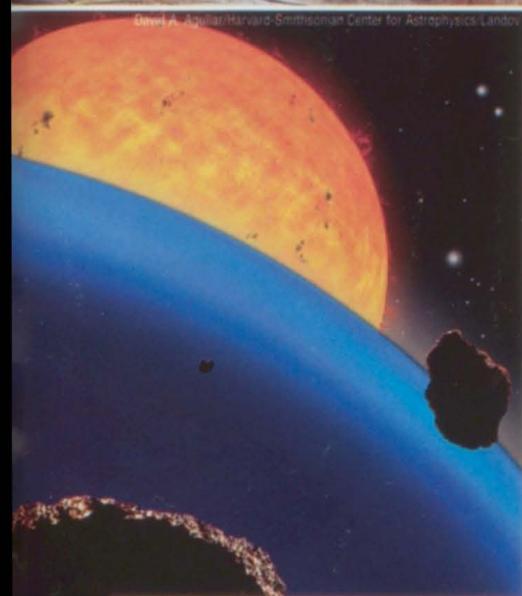
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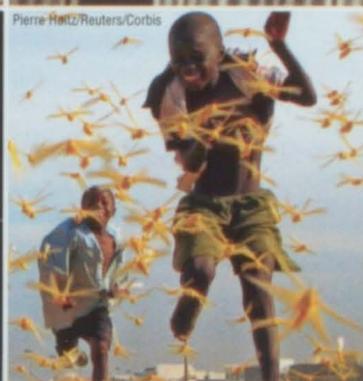
➤ Although Saturn's rings look solid from Earth, images taken by the international Cassini spacecraft show they are more like rivers of dust and ice, with particles ranging in size from specks to mountains.



ESA/ESA/ESA



Gregg A. Aguilar/Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics/Landov



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➤ Swarms of locusts destroy millions of acres of crops in West Africa.



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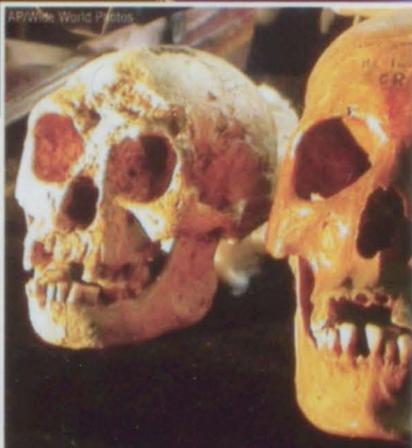
➤ In October, Mount St. Helens vents ash and steam for the first time since its major eruption in 1980.

➤ In September, astronomers announce the discovery in the Milky Way galaxy of a new and possibly abundant class of planets.



➤ Threatened by the spread of hormone-disrupting chemicals and global warming, polar bears are added to the endangered species list.

➤ On a remote island in Indonesia, scientists find 18,000-year-old skeletons of a hobbit-like human species that grew no larger than today's average three-year-old child.



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trends



Retro brooches are back



Ugg knockoffs are popular



Squish pillows are a "must-have"



Pink is the hot new color

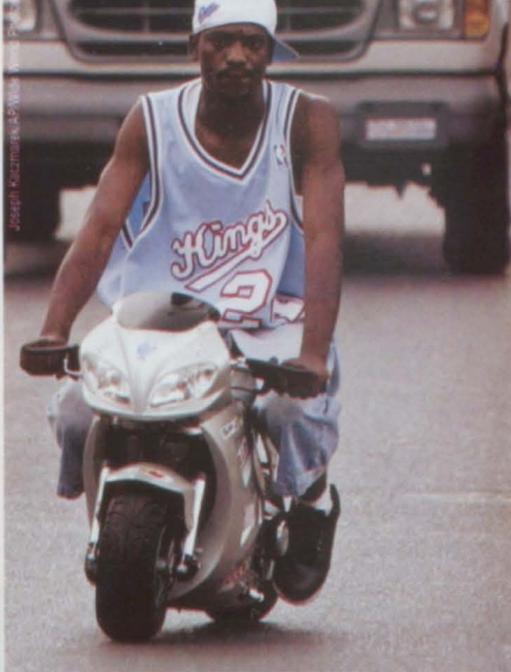
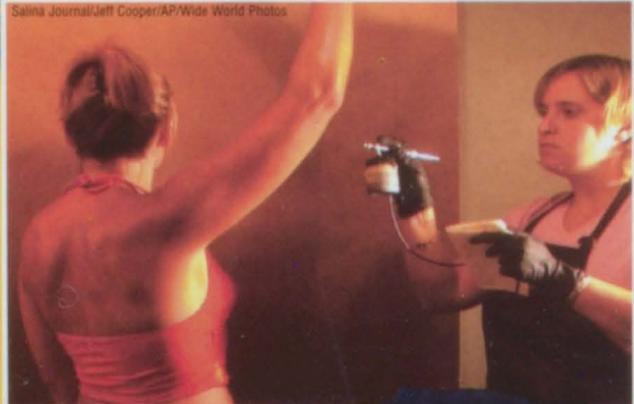


Knitted ponchos are fall's hottest new fashion trend, gracing the shoulders of your classmates and your favorite celebrities.

Pocket bikes top holiday wish lists despite safety warnings that they are not toys.

Airbrush tans, capable of lasting five to 14 days, provide a fashionable and safer alternative to harmful ultra-violet rays.

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Italian link charm bracelets become the biggest jewelry trend of the year.



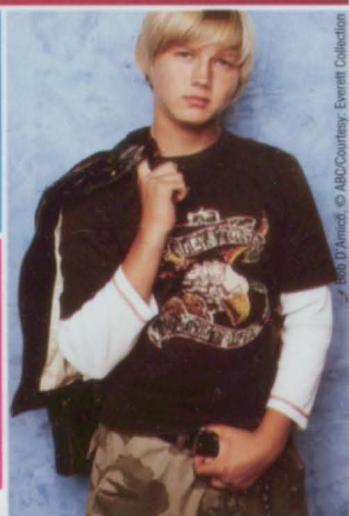
Whether genuine or ordered new from a custom T-shirt store on the Web, vintage '80s iron-on T-shirts are a hot fashion commodity.



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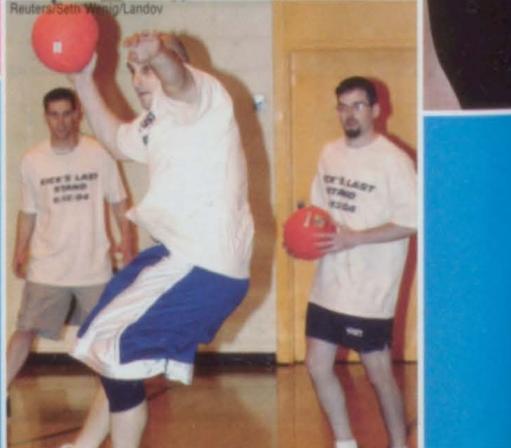
Catch phrases used to encourage people to get out and vote become a fashionable cause, appearing on everything from T-shirts to ties.

The "grunge" style of the early '90s resurfaces with camouflage patterns and T-shirts with long-sleeve shirts underneath.

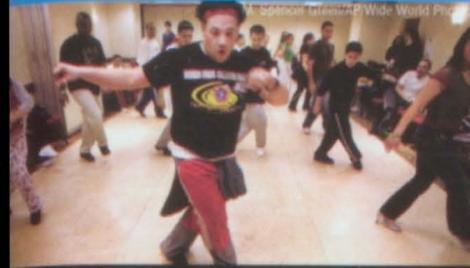


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Thanks to the popular movie *Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story*, the high-flying, body-bashing sport makes its way back into gymnasiums across the country.



lifestyle



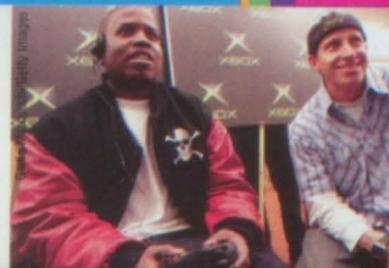
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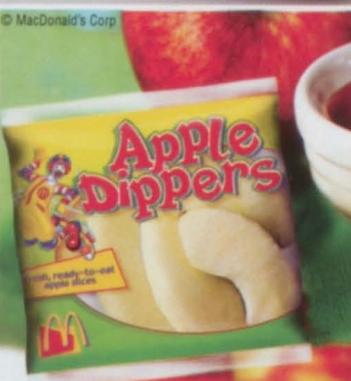
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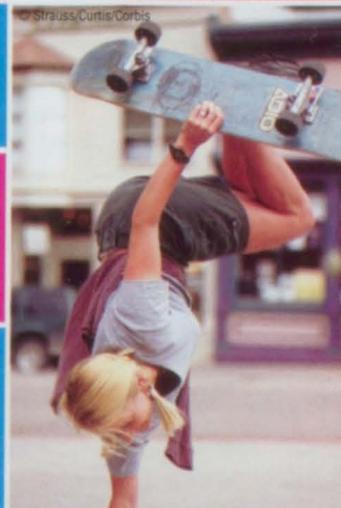
Soft-drink makers join the diet bandwagon with low-carb sodas like Coca-Cola C2 and Pepsi Edge. Sales of the new products, however, quickly go flat.

With more than 7 million participants, paintball is the third most popular extreme sport, behind in-line skating and skateboarding.

Muscle cars like the revamped Ford Mustang GT regain their presence on American roads.



Fast-food restaurants offer kids' meals with healthy alternatives to fries and soda, including apples and milk.



Bucking the health trend, Hardee's serves up a Monster Thickburger with 1,420 calories and 107 grams of fat.

The scrapbooking craze reaches new heights with more people wanting to capture their memories in creative ways.

Events like the All Girl Skate Jam, founded in 1997, bring skateboarding to peak popularity among young girls.

With DVDs delivered right to your door and no late fees, Netflix and Blockbuster Online become popular choices for movie rentals.



movies

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Napoleon Dynamite

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Star Wars: Episode III—Revenge of the Sith

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National Treasure

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The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie



☞ Jim Carrey and Kate Winslet garner Golden Globe nominations for *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*, which also earns a nod for Best Picture, Musical or Comedy.

☞ Johnny Depp scores his second straight Oscar nomination for Best Actor with his performance in *Finding Neverland*.

📊 *Shrek 2* ranks third on the list of the 100 top-grossing movies, with a total haul of just over \$436 million.



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📌 *The Incredibles*, Pixar and Disney's movie about a superhero family trying to live a normal life in the suburbs, is a box-office smash.

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📌 Jamie Foxx delivers an eerily convincing and Oscar-nominated performance as the late Ray Charles in *Ray*.

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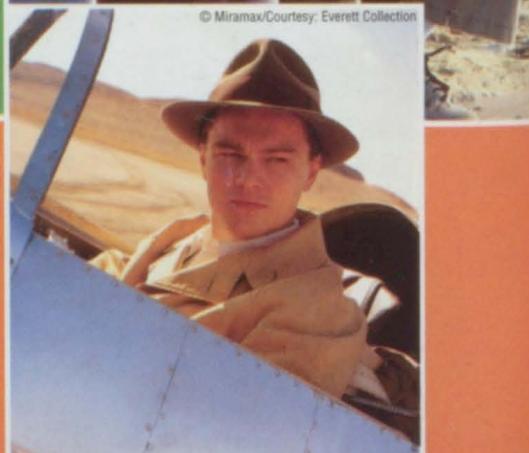
☞ Already named best picture by film critics from New York to Los Angeles, independent film *Sideways* finds even more celebrity with a leading seven Golden Globe nominations.



☞ Clint Eastwood directs another hit with *Million Dollar Baby*, starring Hilary Swank as a 31-year-old boxer.

☞ *The Aviator*, starring Leonardo DiCaprio in the role of eccentric billionaire Howard Hughes, earns eleven Oscar nominations.

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television



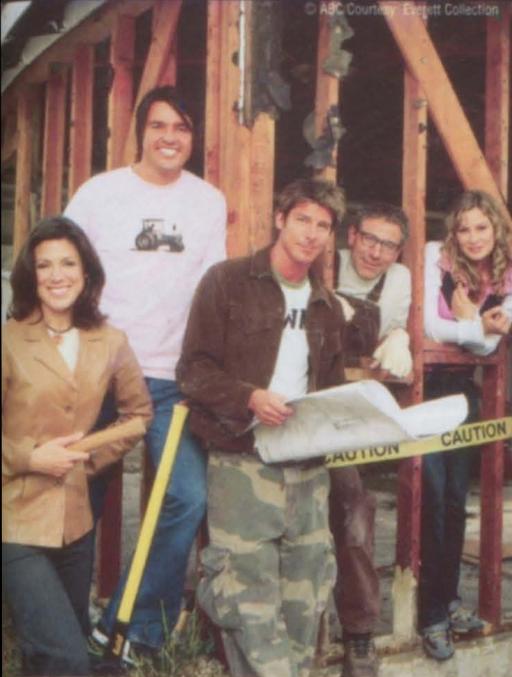
NBC's "Joey"



The WB's "One Tree Hill"



ABC's "Wife Swap"



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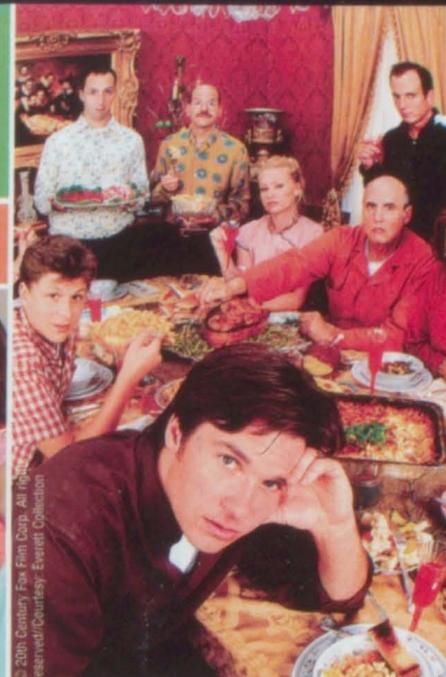
☛ Ty Pennington and company improve lives while making homes better on the successful ABC home improvement show "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition."

☛ Fox's "Arrested Development" wins the Emmy for Best Comedy Series after an inaugural year that is critically acclaimed but poorly rated.

☛ Stephen, "Lo," Kristen and friends bring their real Orange County adventures to MTV in the hit reality show "Laguna Beach."



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☛ "You're fired!" becomes a household phrase as Donald Trump plows through executive wannabes on his hit NBC show, "The Apprentice."

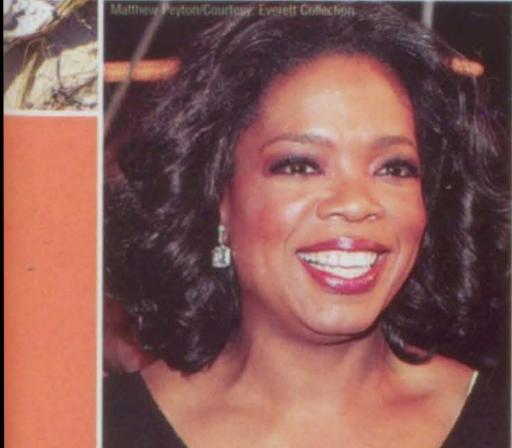
☛ ABC gets big ratings from its new hit drama "Lost," the intriguing story of 48 plane crash survivors stranded on an island.



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☛ Pausing and recording live television with DVR is rapidly replacing VCRs in households across America.

☛ Before his unbelievable 74-game winning streak comes to an end, NBC's "Jeopardy!" contestant Ken Jennings wins \$2,520,700 — a TV game show record. He delivers over 2,700 correct responses.



Matthew Peyton/Courtesy: Everett Collection

☛ To kick off her 19th season of CBS's "The Oprah Winfrey Show," Oprah and Pontiac join forces to give each of the 276 audience members a brand new Pontiac G6.

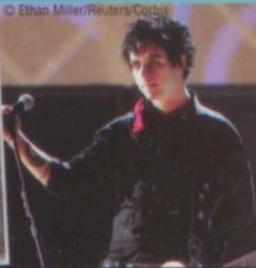
music



Destiny's Child reunites



Julie Roberts



Green Day



Ray Charles dies at age 73



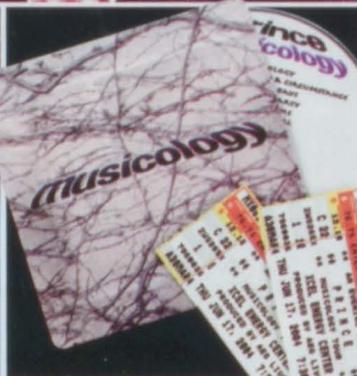
With bands like Interpol, The Killers and Snow Patrol, alternative rock returns to the mainstream music scene in a big way.

U2's new album *How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb* hits No.1 in *Billboard* magazine, and the band is inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in March 2005.

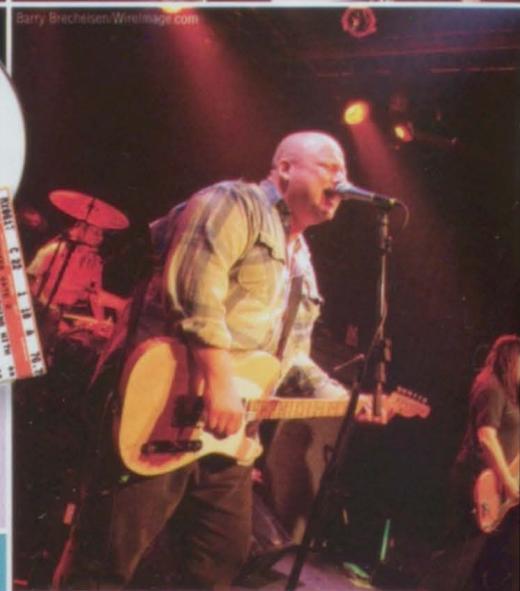
Rapper Kanye West collects a whopping 10 Grammy nominations, including Album of the Year, for his debut *The College Dropout*.



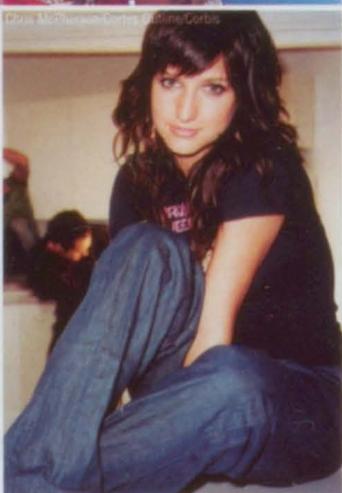
Nelly continues to wrap up big sales and hit songs with the simultaneous release of his two albums, *Sweat and Suit*.



Pop superstar Prince gives his concert ticket-holders something to cheer about before the concerts start ... a free copy of his *Musicology* CD.

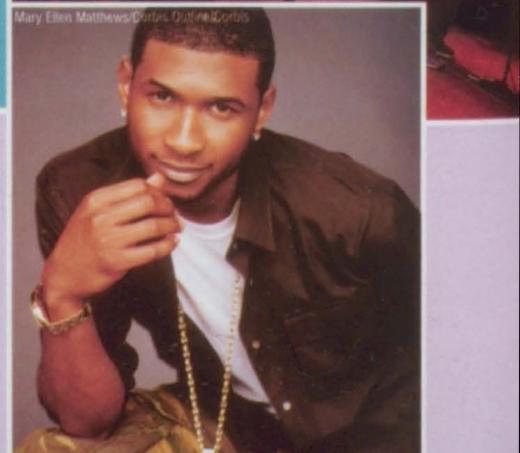


Legendary '80s alternative rock band The Pixies, known for inspiring "grunge" music, reunites after 13 years for a sold-out U.S. and European tour.



Ashlee Simpson, Jessica's younger sister, makes headlines with her triple-platinum debut album *Autobiography* and a lip-synching gaffe on NBC's "Saturday Night Live."

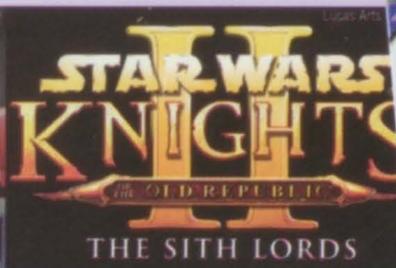
In December, Usher dominates the *Billboard* Music Awards, taking home 11 awards, including Album of the Year for *Confessions*.



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"Half-Life 2"



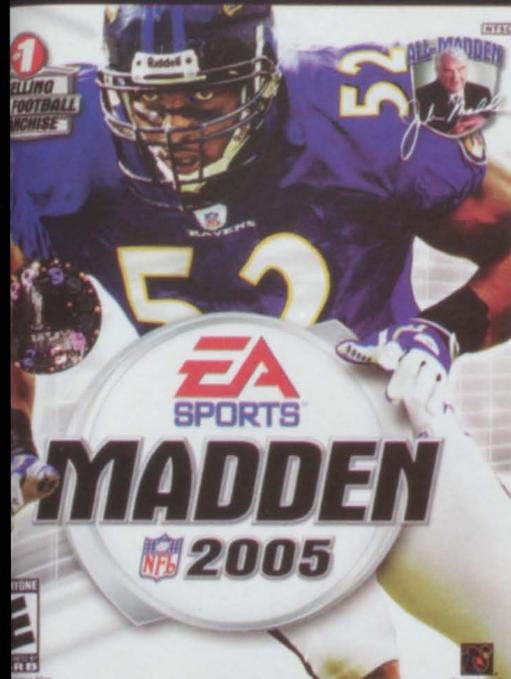
"K.O.T.O.R. II"



"Mario Golf Advance Tour"



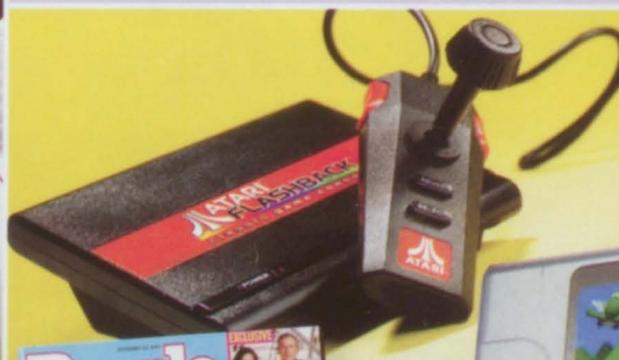
"Metal Gear Solid 3: Snake Eater"



Video game giant Electronic Arts buys exclusive rights to the teams, players and stadiums of the NFL for its popular Madden video game franchise.

After three years, Microsoft and Bungie Studios release the most eagerly anticipated video game sequel, Halo 2. Over 5 million copies of the game sell in the first month.

The newest trend in video games is to go "old school," with plug-and-play systems featuring '80s games from the likes of Atari and Namco.



2004 is the year of celebrities having babies, as Courtney Cox-Arquette, Gwyneth Paltrow, Kate Hudson, Julia Roberts, Liv Tyler and others all become first-time mothers.

Thousands of young people become avid poker players, a trend sparked by TV shows featuring tournaments for celebrities and professional poker players.

The challenging "Metroid Prime 2: Echoes" takes home the prize as IGN.com's Gamecube Game of the Year.



The hottest "hard-to-get" toy for the holidays is the Nintendo DS handheld gaming system.

Even though it won't reach bookstores until July 16, 2005, preorders in December help J.K. Rowling's *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* top several best-seller lists.

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Ironman Lance Armstrong wins his record-setting sixth straight Tour de France.

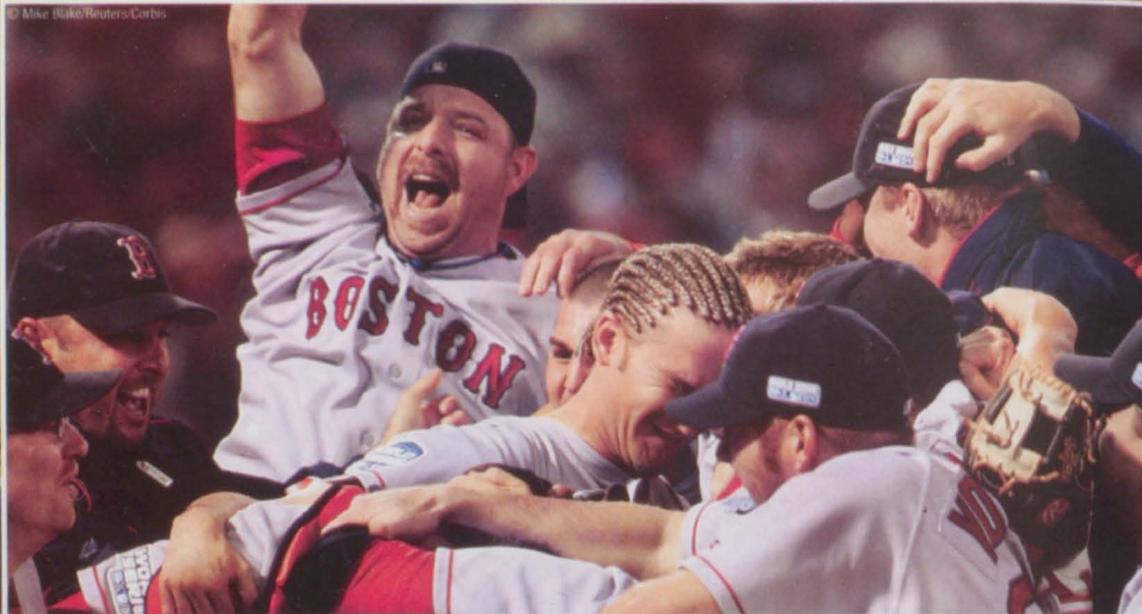
Heisman Trophy winner Matt Leinart leads the USC Trojans to a second consecutive NCAA National Championship by routing the Oklahoma Sooners in the FedEx Orange Bowl, 55-19.

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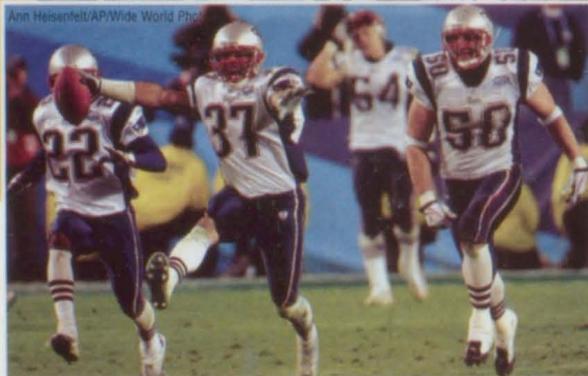


With a series sweep of the St. Louis Cardinals, the Boston Red Sox lift the "Curse of the Bambino" to win their first World Series title since 1918.

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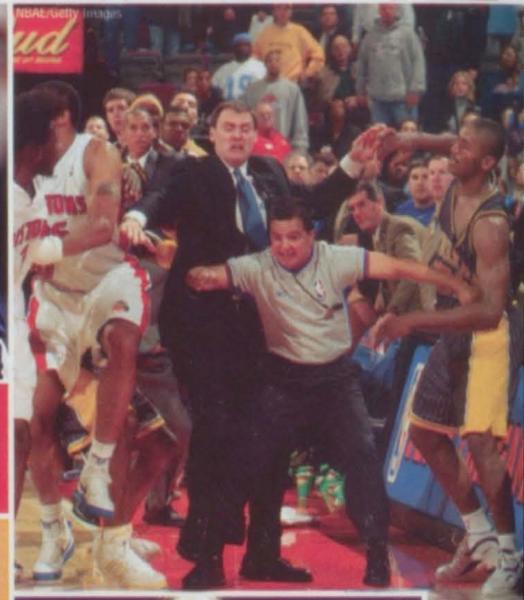
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The New England Patriots defeat the Philadelphia Eagles, 24-21, to repeat as Super Bowl Champions. They have won three of the last four Super Bowls.

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Following his win in September at the Deutsche Bank Championship, Vijay Singh unseats Tiger Woods as the world's No. 1 golfer.

In December, Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning throws his record-setting 49th touchdown pass of the season.

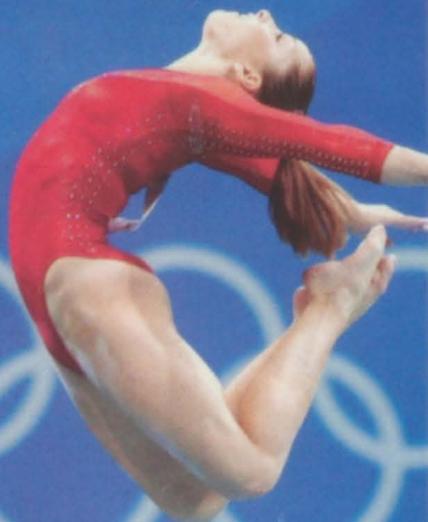
In one of the worst brawls in U.S. sports history, five Indiana Pacers players clash with Detroit Pistons fans on court and in the stands. The Pacers' Ron Artest is suspended for the year for his involvement.

Russian teenage tennis star Maria Sharapova defeats Serena Williams to claim the Wimbledon title. Thanks to lucrative sponsorship deals, Sharapova ends the year as the world's richest sportswoman.

Going Nip/Reuters/Corbis



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Carly Patterson joins Mary Lou Retton as the only American gymnasts to win the women's all-around Olympic gold medal.

Michael Phelps swims his way to eight individual Olympic medals, six gold and two bronze.

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ATHENS 2004

Together for the last time, the "Fab Five" of U.S. women's soccer — Julie Foudy, Joy Fawcett, Mia Hamm, Kristine Lilly and Brandi Chastain — bring home an Olympic gold medal.

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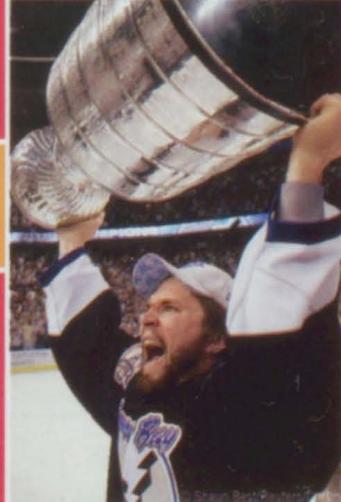
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Kurt Busch wins the NASCAR Nextel Cup. It is his first career title and the closest battle in cup history.

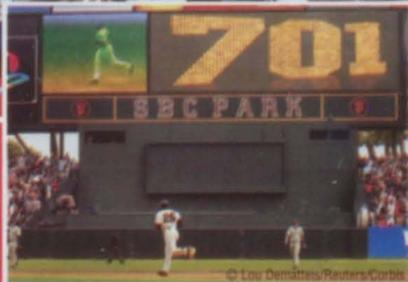
The Detroit Pistons, led by Ben Wallace and finals MVP Chauncey Billups, win the 2004 NBA title.

The NHL takes the 2004-2005 season off as players and team owners fail to come to an agreement on players' salary limitations.



The Tampa Bay Lightning claim the 2004 NHL Stanley Cup by winning the seventh game of the Stanley Cup Finals, 2-1, over the Calgary Flames.

Barry Bonds joins Babe Ruth and Hank Aaron as baseball's only 700+ home run hitters. However, his performance falls under scrutiny after it is revealed that Bonds and other major leaguers have been using illegal steroids.



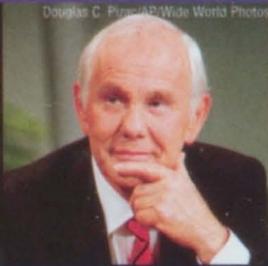
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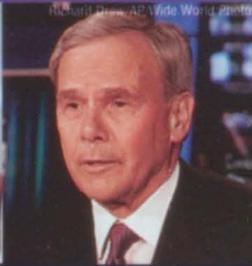
Marlon Brando dies at age 80



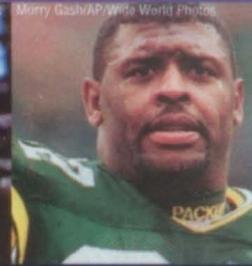
Johnny Carson dies at 79



Dan Rather retires



Tom Brokaw signs off



Reggie White dies at age 43



In a year of entertainment dominated by teen queens, Lindsay Lohan makes the biggest splash of the bunch with the hit movie *Mean Girls* and her debut CD *Speak*.

Mattie Stepanek dies from a form of muscular dystrophy at age 13. He was known as a best-selling poetry author and the Muscular Dystrophy Association's National Goodwill Ambassador from 2002 through 2004.

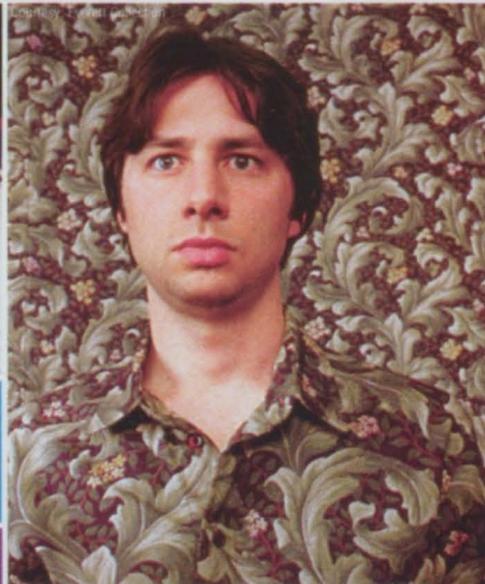
In remembrance of those who have died and those who continue to risk their lives in the war in Iraq.



Ukrainian presidential candidate Viktor Yushchenko suffers from debilitating illness and scarring caused by dioxin poisoning, allegedly at the hands of his opponents.



Democratic vice presidential and presidential nominees John Edwards and John Kerry make the 2004 election a very close race.



Actor Zach Braff from NBC's "Scrubs" makes his big screen acting, writing and directorial debut in the critically acclaimed *Garden State*.

Rodney Dangerfield, 82, veteran comedian famous for getting "no respect," dies from complications following heart surgery.



Former NFL player Pat Tillman, who chose the Armed Forces over the NFL, is killed while on duty in Afghanistan.

