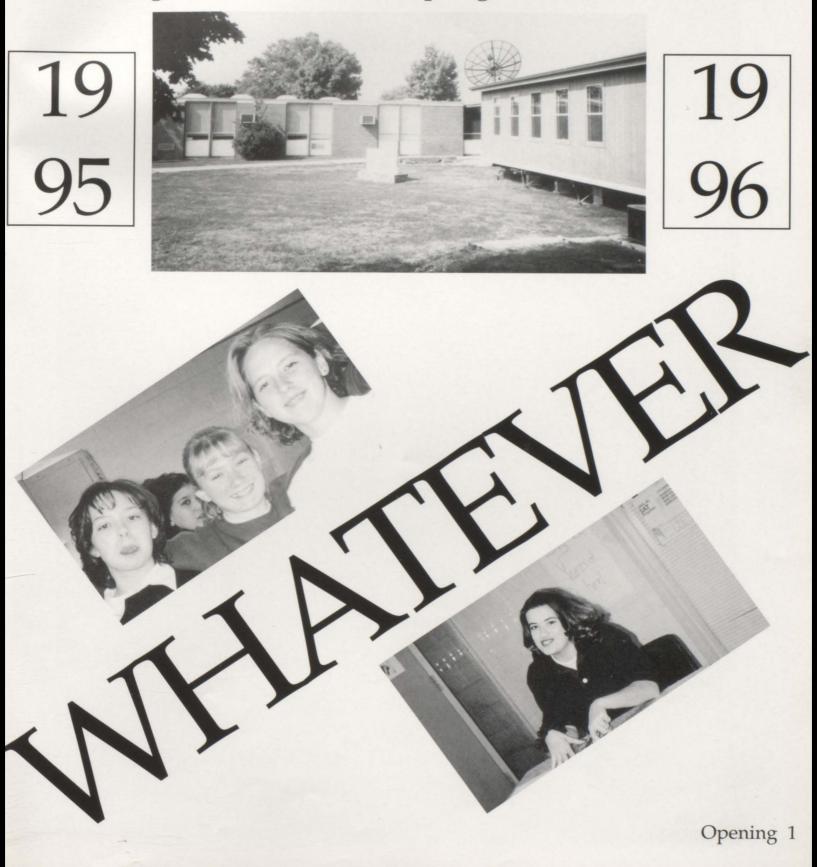


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"Reigning Queen" Sabrina Smith



Freshman~LeAnn Friga Sophomore~Elisha Stenzil Junior~Sabrina Smith Senior~Melissa Wake

"It was an honor to even be nominated. I was nervous, but I had fun."

Retiring Queen~Wendy Jantz

Hoop Queen 2



Freshman LeAnn Friga



Senior Melissa Wake



Freshman Candidate, LeAnn Friga, was escorted by Derek Morrison and Troy

Morrison. Sophomore Candidate, Elisha Stenzil, was escorted by Brett Foster and John Klapmeyer. Junior Candidate, Sabrina Smith, was escorted by Eric Montgomery and Leslie McFate. Senior Candidate, Melissa Wake, was escorted by Eric Duddridge

and Aaron Fullerton. Retiring Queen, Wendy Jantz, was escorted by Sterling

Morrison and Brian Morrison.



Sophomore Elisha Stenzil



Retiring Queen Wendy Jantz







Basketball Spirit Week

Wednesday:	Thrift Shop Day
Thursday:	Cross Dress Day
Friday:	Maroon & White OR
ŀ	osse T-Shirt Day



ABOVE: Chris Laws was all dressed up and had nowhere to go.

ACROSS: This posse may be small in size, but they sure are large in spirit.

BELOW: These were the thrifty trends of Willow High.

TWO BELOW: The true locatiion of Superman's socks were on Jake's feet.









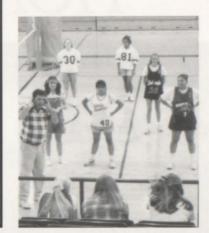
LEFT: Jennifer Elmore seemed to wonder by her expression, "Why am I doing this?" while Roni Brixey put make-up on her face for the Sophomore Homecoming float.

Football Spirit Week Monday-Toddler Day Tuesday- Greaser Day Wednesday- 80's Day

Thursday- Jersey Day

Friday- Maroon & White Day

BELOW: Mr. Myers looked quite enthusiastic as he spoke at the football pep rally.





RIGHT: Casey "Porker" Parker proved that he was full of hot air when he blew on the bonfire at the pep rally.





LEFT: Wondering who they were going to play Friday night, Eric Stenzel, Gabe Fris, Scott Bittick, Kyle Gilliam, Kenny Owens, and Troy Morrison, tried to look tough.



Football Spirit Week

F-ARY TALES HOMECOMING 1995



The Class of 1999, showed their school spirit by "Tuckin' in the Tigers" during the Homecoming parade.



Left: The Willow Springs Varsity Football team celebrated their Homecoming victory over the Houston Tigers. This was the first Homecoming victory in five years for the Bears. Afterwards, most students went to the dance to have a good time and dance the night away.

Below: Sabrina Smith and Stephanie Worley represented the Junior Class in the parade, by "Taking 'Em to the Cleaners" which the Varsity team did. It was the first Homecoming victory in five years.





Above: The Sophomore class took all the spirit points during Spirit Week and received a meal from the Student Council.

Right: "Running over the Tigers" was exactly what the Senior Class helped do Homecoming night.







19 Heidi Chamberlain 99

19 Rachell Lockhart 96





19 Becky Wagner 97

19 Missy Reiners 98



Jake,

Since the day you were born, we've had so many expectations for your life. You have met each of them above and beyond possible imagination. Your love, support, and endurance has delighted us beyond measure.

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We love you, Mom, Dad, & Gretch





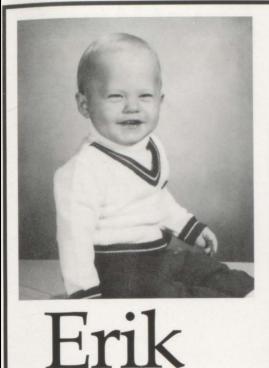






Nicki, We will love you forever! We like you a lot! As long as your living, our Baby you'll be!

> Love, Mom & Dad



One of the best things in life is, and always will be having a son like you. Love, Mother and Dad



Montgomery



Heather,

We are so proud of you for so many reasons, and we know you will make all your dreams come true. We Love you very much.

Love, Dad, Mom, and Amanda









Seniors '96

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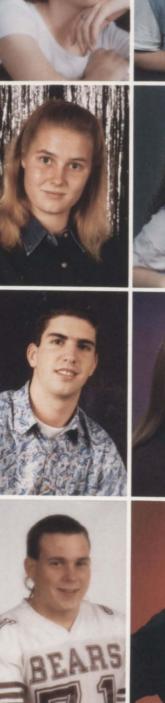
Final Words

Cheryl Amore Donald Barstow

Shauna Barton Nicki Bennett

Pedro Betancor Heather Boyle

Shane Brotherton Gregory Bryan









As a senior what do you like or dislike about this school vear?

"It's not only my last year of school, it's my last year of being here. I'm going to miss America.."- Pedro Betancor.

"It's supposed to be my last year???"- Kenny Crowl.

"It's finally my last year and I can spend every day of next year with Patience all day."- Stephani Clinton.

"I can get into a lot of trouble."-Shannon Preston.

"After killing myself through the first of high school, I can take it easy and enjoy this last year."-Zandy Vandall.

"School will be over. No more Gym and Art. But I'll definitely miss them." - David Pully.

"You can be as wild as you want because no one will remember."-Chris Laws.

"I am glad I'm going to be out of here even though I had fun while I was here." - Jacob Hicks

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Sherry Carpenter James Carr Rhonda Carrell Stephanie Carter









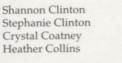






Larry Collins Windy Collins Kenny Crowl Bobbie Davis

Lori Dean Eric Duddridge Jeannett Dumas Karl Evans



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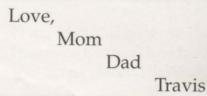
Let the good times roll Bets! Peace, Love, and Laughter Mom, Dad, and Drew





Amy,

We love you and are very proud of you. We hope your future holds everything you've ever dreamed of.



Stephanie,

You have made us very proud by all that you are. Thank you for the joy and brightness shown in your personality. You are a "blessing." As you move on, remember our love and appreciation for you are etched in our hearts. God bless you always.

> Love, Dad, Mom, Stacy, and Candice

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You have always been unique in your own little way. You are very special to a lot of people, and we love you. May all of your dreams come true!

> Love ya, Mom & Dad

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Aunt Ronda, I will miss you next year. Love, Brandon

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Michael Haff Tim Herring Kenny Hickerson Jacob Hicks

Nicki Hicks Myke Holmes Josh Jackson Tomi Kappelmann

Adam Kimbrough Chris Laws Rachell Lockhart Travis Mayes







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Nora McCready Lesly McFate Erik Montgomery Kim Moore

Stefanie Morris Brian Morrison Sterling Morrison Danny Neal













Jason Neeley Lloyd Nicks Stephanie Ogden Casey Parker

Joshua Preston Shannon Preston Amy Pruitt David Pulley





Jeremy, We are <u>very</u>, <u>very</u> proud of you.

Love Always, Mom, Dad, Ashley, & Jordan



Through stitches, casts, and sickness. From Ohio, to Texas, to Missouri. Through hard times and good times. We are very proud of you, Travis.





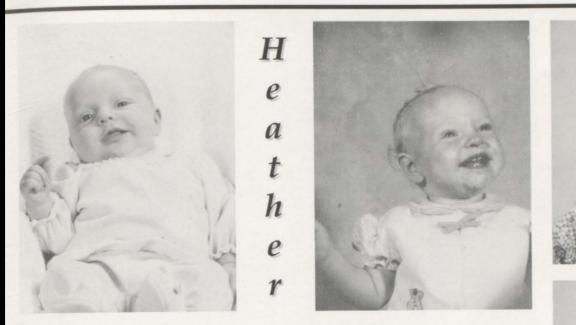


Congratulations! We are so proud of you two! It sure has been fun!

Love, Mom & Dad







Dearest Heather,

I've loved you and been proud of you since the day you were born. You are (and always will be) my "Baby Girl." Now you're all grown up and finishing high school. You're ready to go out into the world as a young lady. Always remember that I love you, and I'm here for you. You're beautiful, smart, and can do anything you want in life. Thanks for being my "Baby Girl."

• that I love ou want in With love, Momma



Sherry,

You've turned out better than we could have ever hoped for. We love you.

Mom and Dad

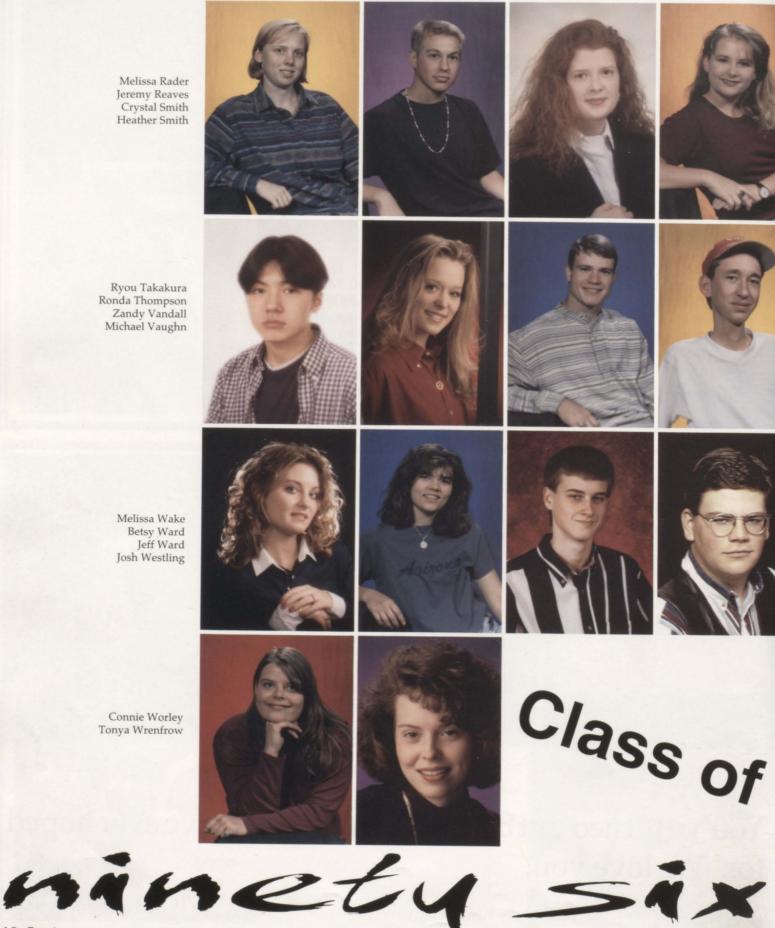
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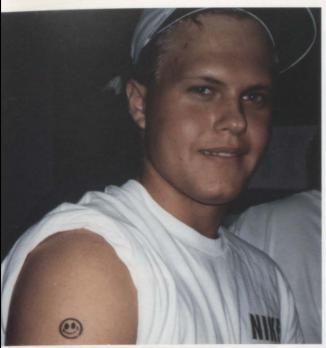
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Melissa Wake Betsy Ward Jeff Ward Josh Westling

Connie Worley Tonya Wrenfrow



18 Seniors











Senior Candids





by Jacob Hicks



RIGHT: Jessica Myers spends much of her time listening to her favorite music groups.

BELOW RIGHT: Vince Smith uses his sparetime wisely. He smiles and spreads happiness.

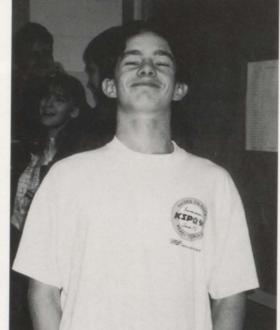
BELOW FAR RIGHT: Jake Smith doubles as a John Travolta look-alike for Saturday Night Fever reunions.

BELOW: Stephanie Worley pinpoints her next hiest. Little did she know, but someone had discovered her evil plot.





RIGHT: Few know, but this is actually a corporation of co-ed nude fire







ABOVE: Becky Viers and Becky Wagner apparantly stick their tongues out when they're bored.

RIGHT: These three students, Beth Smith, LeAnn Daugherty, and Jennifer Fogler, serenaded their favorite players at a local basketball game.





Lay back. Let your hair down. Take it easy. There's not a worry in the world.

What do you do during your sparetime?



Kelly Traver- I usually go out and play tennis, gab on the phone, and exercise as much as possible.



Matt Foster-I work, fish, and hunt.



Travis Mayes and Sunny Counts-We eat out, go shoe shopping, and shop for Doogie (the family dog).



Jenny Roberts-In my sparetime, Laura and I congure up different ways to be evil, and well, you know, stuff.

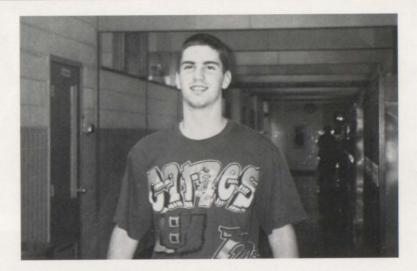


LEFT: When did Robin Williams move to Willow Springs? Oh. That's only Chris Laws.

RIGHT: "Where's Spain?" asked Pedro Betancor, These crazy Americans hid my country."

BELOW RIGHT: Don't even ask ...

BELOW: Derik Bradford often ponders on the wisdom and knowledge of ancient and highly notorized philosophers.







Whatcha gonna do?



Fashion



Top Ten

What was best worn in '96

- 10. Bibbed overalls
- 09. Posse T-shirts
- 08. Any hair color but your own
- 07. "Friends" T-shirts
- 06. Bellbottoms or baggy pants
- 05. Platforms and clogs of any sort
- 04. Flannel plaid boxer shorts
- 03. Thrift shop anything
- 02. Toe & thumb rings
- 01. Your birthday suit

Above Left-Allison Coatney, Tanika McCoy, and Becky Wagner posed in their garb.

Left-Aaron Fullerton, Dwayne Foster, and Larry Collins hung in the hall, but little did they know that their friend Casey Parker had been stalking them to learn more about their vibin' styles.



Above-Jenny Fullerton flies retro in the halls and everywhere else.



Above-Sherry Carpenter, Heather Boyle, and Nicki Bennett were caught bonding.

Below-Erik Montgomery and Zandy Vandall showed a keen sense of photogenic abilities.



Below-Sara McFate and Chanda Perkins took a little time out of their busy social life to show off thier new threads.



Far left-Amy Blair went crazy and did her acrobatic act when she heard the circus was in town.







Above-Melody Sims, Jennifer Elmore, and Kelly Traver had to have their picture taken with their new fashions but after the picture was taken they were so overwhelmed they spilled pop all over themselves.



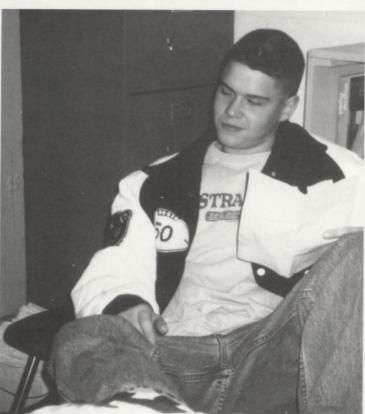
Above-Stephanie Ogden and Ronda Thompson posed with their one and only true love, Brad Pitt.

Junior Life



LeAnn Daugherty was trying to look like she knows what she was doing.

Gabe Fris was kickin' back wondering, "who's that girl checkin' me out?"



What do you like best about your Junior year?

Julie McNew: "Working at Billboard."

Kyle Gilliam: "All the slack classes you can take."

Andy Ward: "Getting to roam the halls."

Wendy Smith: "Knowing that next year I'll be a senior."

Rhi Laws: "Vo-tech."

Allision Coatney: " Getting detention for the first time" (good girl gone bad).



Lee Allen



Andy Boyle





Derik Bradford



Kimberly Bates



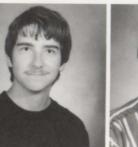
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Scott Bittick



Amy Blair





Justin Bradley



Amber Brotherton



Jodie Bryan



Angie Cauldwell

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Steven Clark



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Crystal Collins



Nicki Collins



Shay Collins



Chris Corey



Brad Cowell



Jeremy Crudgington



LeAnn Daugherty



Tracy Davis



Doug Dunn



Jennifer Faddis



Laura Feagans



Jeff Fisher





Brett Foster





Matt Foster



Shannon Gray



Donnie Fox

Candy Green



Gabe Fris

Nick Hagen



Bradley Heath

Jenny Roberts



Kyle Gilliam





Nancy Grant





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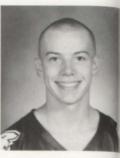


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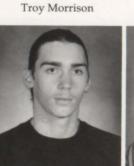






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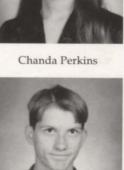


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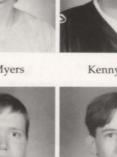
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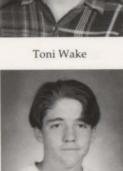
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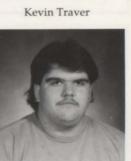
Calvin Wood



Chris Watson



Stephanie Worley



Wesley Webber



Whoever?



Top Right: Elisha Stenzel works hard to get up the hill.

Top Left: Sherry Wiersema and Jennifer McNew are amazed at how interesting Coach Unger makes World History.

Bottom Left: The C.A.T. class are quite interested in Mr. Zorn's stories.





What do you like about being a sophomore?

Jennifer Elmore: It's better than being a freshman because more of us can drive and go shopping.

Chad Loman: It's fun because now I can party.

Craig Maurer: Two years closer to getting out of this hole.

Walter Blagg; Picking on Scott Smith.

Eric Roberts: Absolutely nothing!!!

Shawna McBride: The upperclassman don't pick on us as much.



Danetta Aldridge



Charee Bradshaw



Heather Barton



Jessica Brashers



Debra Brookshire



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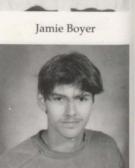
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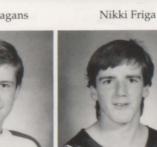
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Bobbie Holmes



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Michael Jordan





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Jeremy Lockhart





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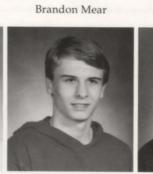
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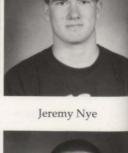


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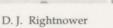


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Heather Story



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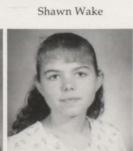


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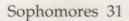
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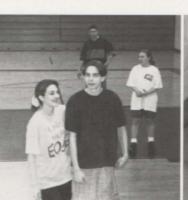
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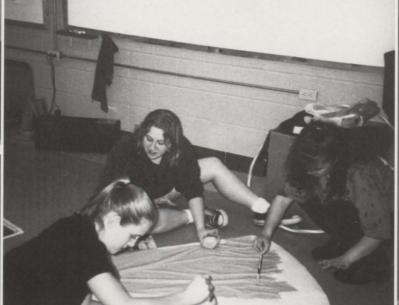














Class of 1999~Class of 1999

Freshman Freshman Freshman



Richie Elijah, taking it easy at lunch was obviosuly thinking very hard about something.



Carey Breidt, Heidi Chamberlain, and Cassy Pendergrass take time to smile on the Lady Letterman Christmas trip.

A Few Ouick Ouotes

How does it feel to be to a Freshman?

Annikki Chamberlain-"It's not as hard as I thought it would be. I have this really cool biology teacher."

Casey Crawford-"I can't wait until I am a senior, so I can run the school. I hate being called a freshman."

Josh Ennis-"It's a lot better than Middle School!"

Mike Keafer-"Only three and a half years left."



Mark Aldridge





Melissa Brixey

Camille Brixey





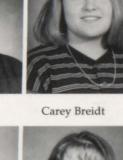
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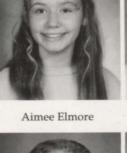


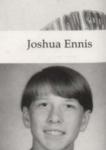
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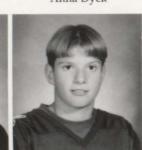
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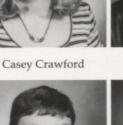


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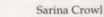
















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Brett Hardman



Tim Harig



Brandon Heathman



Wilbur Hickerson



Nicole Hickman



Daniel Hilton



Scott Holt



Dustin Houston



Adam Howell



Heather Jackson



Kenneth Jackson



Machell Jackson





Amber Jewell



Jennifer Johnson





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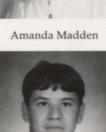


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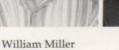












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Malina Roberts



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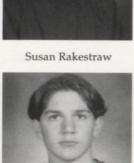




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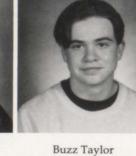
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Terri Young





-Teacher Candids~







Administration

"What has this year been like so far?"

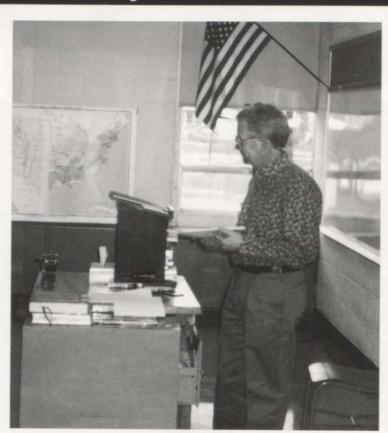
When asked in mid-December how the 1995-1996 school year was progressing, this is how three teachers answered.

Karen Foster-It's been an intriguing year, but I've learned the most important thing in communication is to hear what isn't being said.

Willard Wagner-It's going by really fast...surprisingly.

Sherie Snider-It has been a unique year but mathematically satisfying.

Indeed this year has gone by fast and has been definitely intriguing yet satisfying for some; teachers and students alike.





Above: Ms. Carter is toiling at her desk trying to finish grades before the end of the semester or grading pages or whatever it is that those Biology teachers do.

Left: Mr. Wagner is lecturing to his students about an interesting and satisfying subject no doubt.















Brent Colley

Don Hamby

Bill Myers

Greta Myers

Connie Stuart Sharon Whiles

Not pictured Sandy Chapman, Mary Odle, and Jenny Pigg

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Faculty





Steve Ary

Joe Beltz





Lois Cauldwell



Cay Carter



Sharon Adams

Larry Dame



Casey Daugherty



John East



Leon Blagg

Judy Emmerson





Becky Gregory



Chari Grogan



Pinky Gum



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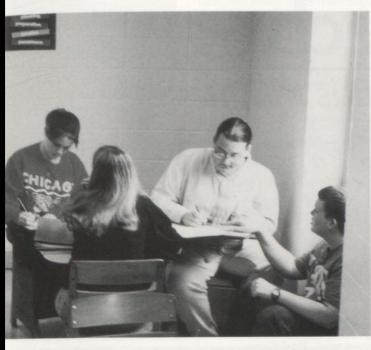
History Art hatever it takes to get the grades. - Academics -

"Education is your most powerful resource." **Science**

Math

English

Music



Left: Kim Parrish, Jacob Hicks, Matt Pigg, and Jodie Bryan worked very hard on their yearbook layouts. Matt keeps everyone on task, as Jodie wonders how much time left in the hour. **Below:** Jennifer Fogler was caught by surprise as she worked diligently on the computer.









Above: Sadhana Schnieder worked on her newspaper layout while grinning for the camera.

Left: Front Row- Matt Pigg, Jenny Roberts, Roxanne Nickelson, Melissa Wake, Casey Parker, Jake Hicks, Audrey Henry Second Row-Ronda Thompson, LeAnn Daugherty, Jennifer Fogler, Nicki Bennett Third Row- Nicole Hickman, Kim Parrish, Dwayne Foster, Stephanie Odgen, Jodie Bryan Fourth Row- Chris Laws, Josh Martens Fifth Row- Nicki Collins, Josh Preston, Betsy Ward, Amy Pruitt, Michel Haff, Crystal Smith, Kelly Traver

MASS MEDIA

by LeAnn Daugherty

Speech by LeAnn Daugh To be, or not to be? That is the question.

Right: Chris Collins stopped to smirk for the camera while giving a speech.

Below: Gabe Fris held Mrs. Foster at gun point while she was deciding his grade.





Right: Becky Miller turns from the camera while Aaron Fullerton keeps grinning.

Far Right: Mrs. Foster and Loretta Robinson are caught in a deep trans.





"Speech class is an emotionally and spiritually enlightning class." Aaron Fullerton

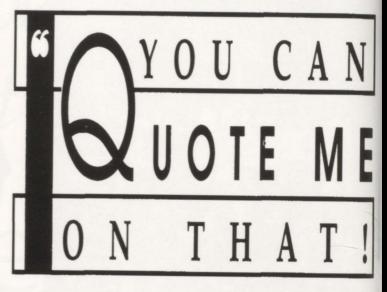
"Through all my big days in the city, this is the largest class ever." Becky Miller

"I liked the food at toastmasters." Karl Evans

"Speech class has been one of the most helpful classes I've taken. I learned to express my opinions in front of an audience, and learned a great deal about the lives of my classmates." Sabrina Smith

Shakespeare

"I was inspired by Mrs. Foster, and it helped me speak in front of people." Gabe Fris







Left:: Mrs. Foster smiles cheerfully as she thinks about being nominated for the next Miss America

Below: The trouble spot of English are caught in action.

Far below: Toga Party????







English

Often despised by students was the thought of partaking in an English class or Composition class, but it is not so bad as one would think. This year the A+ grant allowed the English departments the use of more computers. Between learning the parts of speech and reading books, students wrote literary analysis and kept journals. This year English I was taught by Ms. Daugherty. This was Ms. Daugherty, s first year, and what a better way to start off a new teacher then having her teach freshman classes. English I took part in acting out some skits and reading a couple of novels like The Red Pony. Our second year teacher Mrs. Gregory, taught English II this year for the first time. The English II class took part in writing research papers and read books such as To Kill A Mockingbird. English III was taught by Mrs. Foster this year. English III covered the literature from the beginning of America to the present. Some of the books that were read this year included The Scarlet Letter, and The Outsiders. This class also dealt with preparing students for the ACT test. Last year's English IV class read Ivanhoe, and had so much fun that Mrs. Emmerson decided to have this year's class watch the movie. She also had her class read the book Frankenstien. The English IV class also studied their vocabulary words, and you thought they were through with that in Middle School. The college bound Composition class worked on research papers as well as demonstrations this year. No matter what you think of English or Composition, it will always follow us throughout our lives.

by LeAnn Daugherty



Above: Seniors Amy Pruitt and Besty Ward are caught in action fighting like their usual selves.

Se Hablo Espanol?

Along with all the changes that took place this year, the Spanish department wasn't left out. Introduced was a new teacher Ms. Richter, and a new set of textbooks. The Spanish classes studied about other countries, had class discussions, and fiestas.

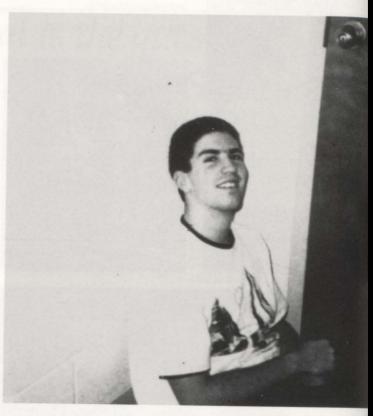
by Kim Parrish



Above: Ms. Richter demonstrates on the board some of the syntacs used in the Spanish language.

Right: The Spanish class shows how excited they are over their current lesson.

Below: Pedro Bentaco was sent outside, because he was to advanced pared to the rest of the class.







Left: Becky Viers works quietly as Coach Unger lectures the class about the American Revolution.

Below: Jeremy Stetina smiles coyly at the camera while Josh Wheeler gives him a dirty look.





Back to the Past

By Jodie Bryan

beginning of time to the cur- a day made in history. rent events of the world around us. So many interesting affairs happen each day that we don't even pay attention to what happened millions of years ago on the earth. History focuses on both subjects. There are so many different events that have happened throughout time that it can't be taught in a year, so we have learned about differ-

History is a class that ent parts of history since we were takes you on a trip from the ingradeschool. Each day of life is





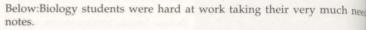
Left: Coach Unger's fourth block class listens diligently to the useful information he is cramming into their heads.

Above: Melody Sims and Tyler Lovan try hard not to look at the camera while sitting in World History.



Students had on goggles, but they weren't swimming. Aprons were tied carefully around their waists, but they weren't baking. In front of them a concoction of chemicals was placed over a bunsen burner. These young chemists watched with anticipation as the concoction began to boil and a foul odor entered the air. The reaction had taken place. The experiment was complete. Such experiments are done on a regular basis in Chemistry class. In Biology, students found themselves examining anything from a worm to the human body. In Earth and Physical science, students made notes on many different types of experiments. At the end of a long year of Physics, students felt relieved when they passed the class.

Josh Martens

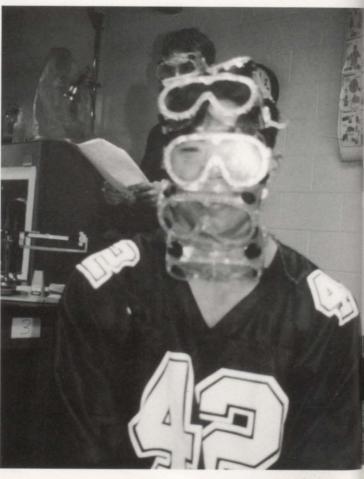






Above: A few hard working students take time out of there work for a fast picture.

Right: Extra precautions were made in this case. Kevin Traver feared that he might have been exposed.



Below: This Applied Math class, studied quietly as a fellow student beckoned the attention of a teacher.





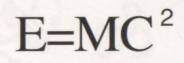
Math has always been one of those classes everyone from every walk of life will use daily throughout their life time. It's a significant matter of survival, in our high-tech 90's world that we live in. Math has a wide variety of uses, be it when doing taxes or when one is collecting their hard earned paycheck. Keep that in mind.

> Crystal Collins and Sarah Wedick shared their own Algebraic words of wisdom by saying, "We found math to be a challenge, because we actually had to use our brains."





Left: Students made use of there spare time by playing games to amuse one and another.





Left: Erika Dietsmann and Shonna Welton discussed information on their math problems.

Above: These students tried to pay attention to Mr. Traver as he explained their lesson for the day. F.

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Left: Roxanne Nickelson looked depressed as she realized she had to wear the *empathy belly* for a whole day.

Far Left: Stephanie Clinton looked and wondered what Jolene Bendon was cooking while Shauna Rader held the cooking utensils.







Left: A group of F.A.C.S. s t u d e n t s laughed and had a good time during class.



Left: Stephanie Carter and Kim Moore were at the range cooking something tasty.

F.A.C.S. and Foods is a good class for those who want to learn how to get ahead in life.









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hat's new?

-New Classes-

Coming together is a beginning, keeping together is progress, working together is success."

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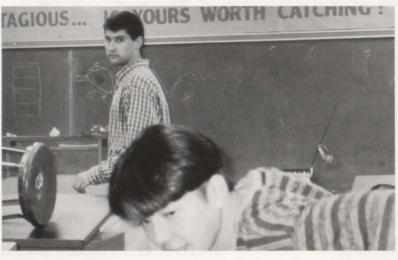
Shop, Technology, Vo-Ag, Horticulture

This group of sophomores and juniors were very interested in the Vo-Tech trip they were able to go on. Some of them will probably see these surroundings everyday next year.

Below: Allison Coatney intently watched Brett Foster do a skill he perfected in Shop.







Above: Shop seemed to be a very hectic class. As Mr. Fairbanks abruptly noticed the camera, Ryou Takakura tried to avoid it. Brett Foster and Matt Foster showed that teamwork was the way to go with this project.



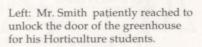
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Left: The Horticulture students were very eager to start to work on their new projects.







Below: These Horticulture students huddled together againts the cold as Mr. Smith unlocked the green house door.



Far Left: Jason Ferguson and Greg Bryan appeared to be very enthusiastic as they listened to Mr. Smith's lecture.

Left: Rhonda Carroll, Melissa Rader, and Calvin Wood had looks of disgust on their faces as they examined the ingredients of their experiment.





Horticulture 51

Getting Down to Business



BELOW: Jamie Perkins was caught sleeping on the job.



Business isn't all fun and games. Eventhough, that's what looks like. The classes in Accounting and Intro. to Busine actually work hard. Learning the basics of money and how to transactions, journals and different kinds of beginning tec niques are included. Classes are taught how to start a busine and keep it going. These skills helped these students in t future, especially if someone's future consist of business. Bu ness is also fun. After the classes got through with their assig ments, they all went to the computers to play games. Ve interestingly, the students learned what they need to kno when it came to money for taxes and businesses in the futur Even if they were playing on the computers, they were st learning, more and more.

by Jennifer Fog



ABOVE: Raising his arms in triumph, Wilbur Hickerson showed his enthusiasum for the class.

RIGHT: Leslie McFate gave the camera a cocky look, while Eric Duddridge tried to look busy.





RIGHT: Shauna Barton, Stephanie Clinton, and Lee Allen worked hard on the computers, while Chris Collins took a rest from it all.





LEFT: Nikki Collins, Adam Kimbrough, and Zandy Vandall, worked hard to accomplish solitaire.

.BELOW: Rebekah and Annikki Chamberlain showed some spirit for their typing class.





Typing & Word Processing

"I loved arguing with Mrs. Pettit over a zero on my paper." Eric Duddridge

"I liked the way everyone started talking about stuff other than school when Mrs. Pettit was talking." Nicki Collins

"I loved messing and screwing up all the computers to tick Mrs. Pettit off." Adam Kimbrough

"I loved singing in class with Allison and Nicki. The most fun was fighting with Eric Duddridge." Amber Brotherton



LEFT: Amber Brotherton, Kenny Hickerson, Allison Coatney, and Nicki Collins showed exactly what they thought of their class. ABOVE: Brandon Gilliam smiled shyly while working hard on the computer.



"Communication

is the key to

longevity."



Top Right: Taking a little time out of their busy studying, a few of the students

posed for the camera.

Right:

Joel Hinds was grinning confidently at the camera while his classmates ignored him entirely.

Far Right:

Brenner Dawson looked up with enthusiasm while the rest of the class listened intently to the teacher.







ife Skills

by Jodie Bryan

Life Skills is a class for sophomores which is pretty self-explanatory. You learn the skills of life. In this class, you learn things such as the appropriate way of giving a speech to an audience, how to fill out job applications, how to sew and cook, how to manage your checking account, and you will find out information from the colleges that you plan to attend. This class is an important start to learn the necessities of life.



Above: Lee Rebert was trying to concent^{tr} on how to divide.

<>>P.E.\Health<><>

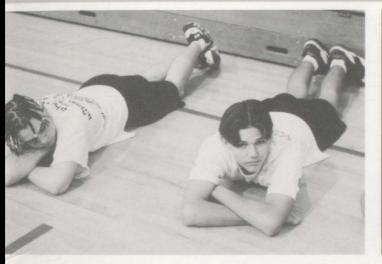
ron Fullerton: I like it en we be ballin. I be nkin' in o boyz face all y. I can jump out da n cause I be half Afrin American, half exicano, and half Cauian. I wish I wuz a le bit taller. **Amy Pruitt:** Weight training has helped me to stay in shape and not become lazy after sports.

Lea Ann Friga: Coach Jackson's class is fun if you like sports, and I do. **Dwayne Foster:** My weight training class was the best in America! Ha! Ha!

Audrey Henry: I hated yet, but I'm still working weight training!!!! on it.

Stephanie Ogden: I've had a lot of fun in weight training. I haven't quite reached my goal to bench more than Brian Morrison yet, but I'm still working on it.

How do you like your physical education class?











Far upper left:

Andy Ward and Buzz Taylor were catching some z's in P.E. after a long hard workout.

Above:

Tomi Kappelman took some time out of her playing achedule to say "hey."

Above Left: Kyle Gilliam said, "Raise your hands if your sure."

Left: Jake Smith was trying to stay buff guy he is.

Right: These were the seniors in band. First Row Left to right: Heather Boyle, Nicki Bennett, Lori Dean, Amy Pruitt, Stephanie Ogden, Melissa Wake Second Row:Zandy Vandall, Erik Montgomery, Greg Bryan, Travis Mayes, Adam Kimbrough, Jason Ferguson, Jeff Ward (Not Pictured) Jacob Hicks

Below: The WSHS Bear Pride Band.







Below: The band played their hearts out for the crowd.



BEAR PRIDE BAND

The band had something very difficult to over come this year, the MSHEA requirements for district level competition were raised. The new requirements made it difficult to receive a rating at competition. With the guidance of Mr East the band pulled off their usual 1 rating. 1 took a lot of hard work last year with only having band every other day. Mr. East still ha the touch to bring the band through even the hardest of years.



Above: The band prepared to take the field in performan









Far Above Left: The WSHS Jazz Band.

Far Above Right: The Jazz Band was practicing for their friday night performance.

Above Left: The colorguard smiled pretty for the camera.

Above Right: The colorguard kept their flags flying during the Homecoming Parade.

Right: The band marched while Laura Feagans and Lori Dean directed them in the Homecoming Parade.



he 1995 - 1996 Willow Springs High School Con cert Choir accelled greatly at contests. At SCA, the choir received 3rd place out of many choirs participating in the contest. The choir also participated in All-District, All-State, and District and State Music Festivals. The Girls Chorus made progress by practicing on musicality each possible chance.

Right: A Boys Quartet was formed for contest and for pure enjoyment. Jacob Hicks, Tyler Lovan, Aaron Fullerton, and Matt Pigg.

Below Right: The '95-'96 Willow Springs High School Concert Choir.

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VEST PLAIMS UZZERS

by Jacob Hicks







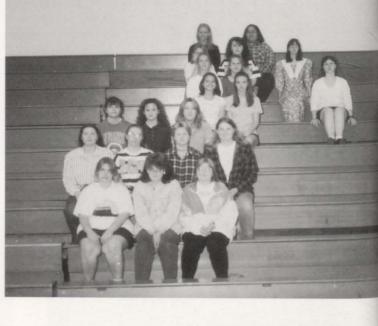
Far Above: Mr. Dame cautioned the students to listen to the big guy in charge, the one and only "Big Dame."

Above: Mr. Dame directed the concert choir during contest season for practice.



Above: Nicki Bennett looked at the camera for a picture during daily choral warm-ups.

Right: The Girls Chorus members posed in the shape of an eighth note for the group picture on club day.







Left:: Nikki Friga showed off her artistic qualities by painting the scenery for an OM project.

Down: Amanda Summers intensely concentrated on her assignment in C.A.T. class.





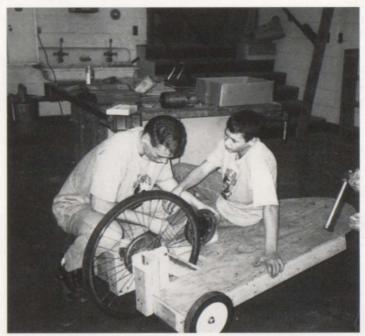


C.A.T.

Curriculum for the Academically Talented

Last year's C.A.T. students took on new twists. The seniors worked on the banking history of Willow Springs. After months of pain staking work, the diligent students were able to piece together the history. The juniors along with other classes participated in Odessey of the Mind or more formally known as O.M. Along with the projects for Odessey of the Mind, the students also worked on hands-on-projects. These are problems that required the students to use certain materials and their minds to solve spontaneous problems. Along with O.M., the students worked with computers while trying to tesilate shapes for the pure benifit of Mr. Zorn.

Left : Brian Morrison, Michael Haff, and Jeremy Reaves built a tower out of the bare essentials: spaghetti, grum drops, and milk straws.



Left: Mr. Zorn, Matt Lendaman, and Tim Perkins concentrated on a difficult problem.

Above : Derek Morrison and Jake Smith worked on a sophisticated vehicle for their OM project.

Track

Tennis

Football Volleyball hat do you need me to do coach? - Sports -

"Without competition, life would not be exciting."

Cross Country

Basketball

Golf

Below: J.V. player Lea Ann Friga gots aggressive against the Lady Tigers of Salem. Looking to get a pass, Casey Crawford waited in the background.

Lady Bears



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Left: Senior, Amy Pruitt appears to be "skyin" as she drove in the lane for a layup against the Cabool Lady Bulldogs.

Right: Stephanie Worley, Missy Reiners, Margie Coatney, Nicki Friga, and Danielle Matheiu excitedly waited for their game to begin.

	Us	Them
Mansfield	45	43
Ava	46	69
West Plains	39	71
Hartville	36	57
Bakersfield	55	28
Koshkonong	49	72
Thayer	47	58
Rogersville	48	54
Cabool	63	29
Salem	44	55
Seymour	46	34
Mtn. Grove	47	50
Gainesville	42	54
Houston	64	60
Licking	59	38
Alton	42	51





Varsity Players--

Back Row: Annikki Chanberlain, Sabrina Smith, Amy Pruitt, Stephanie Worley, Missy Reiners. Middle Row: Margie Coatney, Danielle Matheiu, Nicki Friga. Assistant Coach Steve Ary and Head Coach Valerie Jackson.





LEFT: Front Row: John Klapmeyer, Aaron Fullerton, Coach Colley, Eric Duddridge, Brett Foster Back Row: Coach Lowe, Troy Morrison, Derek Morrison, Leslie McFate, Sterling Morrison, Brian Morrison, Coach Compton

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Willow Springs High School

RIGHT: (L to R) Doug Dunn, Tim Perkins, Scott North, Pedro Bentacor, G.W. Melby, Matt Wedick, Tyler Lovan, Coach Compton.



Junior Varsity Junior Varsity Junior Varsity Junior Varsity

Boys Basketball



LEFT: Front Row: Nick Ellis, Brandin Gilliam, Mike Counts, Ryan McClanahand, Kenny Jackson, Scott Ho Back Row: Chris McClellan, Chris Forbes, Coach Wyatt, Mike Wake, Mica Morrison

Freshman Freshman Freshman Freshman Freshman







ABOVE: The Varsity Team huddled before the last home game.

LEFT: Brian Morrison gave some of his senior wisdom about basketball while every one listened.



ABOVE: Getting ready to block out against the Houston Tigers, the Varsity prepared to rebound.



LEFT:TheVarsity team was stretching and having a few laughs before the tournament game.

BELOW: Taking the outside jumper, Derek Morrison shot over his opponent.





ABOVE: Brian and Sterling Morrison made an awesome block-out.

LEFT: The spirit at the beginning of the game was high as the boys names were announced.



Right: The 1996 varsity tennis team: **Top left to right**-Matt Wedick, Andy Boyle, Jodie Bryan, Marty Spence, Jeremy Reaves **Bottom**-Jeff Fisher, Kevin Traver, Pedro Bentacor, Kelly Traver, Sarah Wedick, and Matt Pigg.



Above: Jeff Fisher showed off his old, trusty racket.

Right: The 1996 J.V. Tennis Team: **Left to right**-Roni Brixey, Leslie Clinton, Becky Waggoner, Amy Dunn, Michael Jordan **Second Row**-Casey Crawford, Troy Wadkins, Josh Collins **Third Row**-Doug Dunn, and Mycroft Holmes.







Above: Kevin Traver grinned as he thought of how much he loved tenni practice.



Although the 1995-96 golf team was rather small, they were high in spirit. This past year, the golf team attended districts in Willard, Missouri. However the golf team only consisted of three young gentlemen, they all played their hardest.

Below: Justin Bradley worked hard on his slice for his tournaments.



Below: Matt Lindaman, Justin Bradley, and Brett Foster were the ever hardworking golf players.





Volleybears Seniors 1996 The Beginning of the End



Amy Pruitt 1st Team All-District SCA Honorable Mention

"It was a great feeling, knowing we had accomplished something that past teams couldn't do."

Betsy Ward 2nd Team All-District

"We had some wild bus trips to and from games, playing seven cereals was the best. Having a winning season our Senior year was really great."



Lori Dean

"We won a first place trophy and had the best record in the past fourteen years. It was such a fun season, but I'm sad to see it "pass"."



Danielle Mathi ran onto the floor after she gave the oppos ing team one of her killer serve

Regardless of how the Lady Bears played during their gum scrimmag they went on to prove that they could have a winning season

After a hard earned victory, the JV celebrated and congratulated each other. Although they didn't have a winning season, the years to come should show great improvement.





The Varsity team gave each other a pep talk before the walked onto the floor. They went on to win this game and many more that came along during the rest of the season.

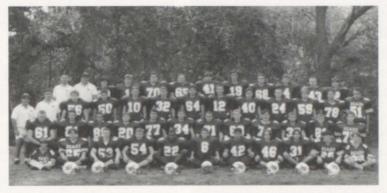


Sacrificing herself for the team, Betsy Ward, dove aft a ball to help the team have another hard-earned victor The Lady Bears ended the season with a 11-10-3 record

WHATEVER IT TAKES

Varsity

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	Us	Them	
Salem	0	40	
Ava	13	0	
West Plains	0	34	
Rogersville	19	14	
Houston	37	2	
Thayer	27	13	
Mnt. Grove	0	34	
Liberty	26	12	
Catholic	12	20	
Cabool	6	20	
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First Row- Daniel Smith, Willy Perkins, Scott Bittick, Kenny Owens, Dwayne Foster, Jake Smith, Kevin Traver, Vince Smith, Andy Ward, Gary Bittick, Josh Stetina. Second Row- Jeremy Stetina, Matt Foster, Aaron Fullerton, Casey Parker, Zandy Vandall, Brian Morrison, Shane Brotherton, Sterling Morrison, Mycroft Holmes, Jason Ferguson, Erik Stenzel, Travis Greer. Third Row- Coach Ary, Coach Unger, Kyle Gilliam, Gabe Fris, Derek Morrison, Troy Morrison, Jeremy Crudgington, Brett Foster, George Rhineman, John Klapmeyer, Jamie Perkins, Shawn Wake, Mark Alderidge. Fourth Row- Coach Stephens, Coach Lowe, Ben Halloway, Cliff Crawford, Jeremy Collins, David Gentry, Adam Howell, Michael Wake, Josh Ennis, Micah Morrison, Wilbur Hickerson, Kenneth Jackson. After receiving the first down against the Houston Tigers, Andy Ward and Sterling Morrison went back to the huddle.



AWARDS

Most tackles - Kyle Gilliam Most valuable - Brian Morrison Most improved - Kenny Owens Most valuable lineman - Shane Brotherton Most valuable back - Dwayne Foster







Senior Casey Parker ran past this Liberty player to give the Bear offense a few more yards and gave them a District victory.

Exited after winning Homecoming, Coach Ary gave the team a speech about how well they had done during this game, and that it would be a repeat performance the following week.

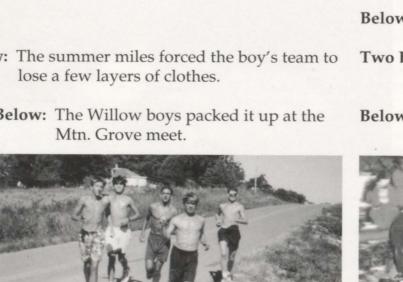
The JV team showed the West Plains Zizzers a little of their Defense. Unfortunately, West Plains came out on top by winning the game.

"1,000 miles." One would think this is the distance that planes fly, but this summer five of the Willow Springs Cross Country runners ran that distance and more. Weeks of ninety miles or more were put in, with the help of sixteen mile runs on Saturdays. The boys team trained under the supervision of Coach Hatley. Coach Hatley assigned Adam Kimbrough and Michael Haff to be the team's captains. William Iliff kept the team up in the latest ways to deligate and run at the same time, while Bradley Heath and his dog, Fighter, kept the team amused on thier long pilgrimages around Willow Springs. The most vaulable runner honor went to Adam Kimbrough and most improved went to Bradley Heath. The Willow Springs High School Cross-Country boys team placed second at the district meet and fifth at the state meet, the highest placing in the history of Willow Springs Cross-Country boys team. The 1995 season produced a group of life time friends.

By Michael Haff

Below: The summer miles forced the boy's team to lose a few layers of clothes.

Two Below: The Willow boys packed it up at the Mtn. Grove meet.



Where Ever It Takes Us!

Below Right: Bradley Heath used his awesome running form to finish at the Joplin meet.

"The eye of a camera does not lie, but it cannot show the life within the life of a runner."

A. Garthrey



Below Left: Walter Blagg tested his Jungle abilitie

Two Below Left: Adam Kimbrough worked on breaking up the West Plains' par

Below Right: Adam Kimbrough learned about th saying, "Out with the old, in with the new



What Looks to be a New Beginning!



Iwo Above: The girls held their District 1st place plaque. **Above:** The girls did sit-ups.

"A fresh new beginning." No, it's not the start of spring, but the Willow Springs girl's Cross-Country team. This years team was composed of only Freshmen and Sophomores. This was the first season that any of the girls had ever ran in high school cross-country, and the first year Coach Hatley ever taught a girl's team.

The girl's team was never in full force, except for a couple of meets. Injuries kept the team from revealing themselves, but the girls toughed it out. The injures were not due to the immense training, but the hidden secrets from the runners. This year's most valuable runner went to Elisha Stenzel and the most improved went to Machell Jackson.

The girls team followed in the ideals of the boys previous year by taking first at their district meet. It must be the coach. This year's girls team will be back in full force for a couple more years.



Above Left:Becky Waggoner and Elisha Stenzel packed it together at the Monett race.

Above Right: Machell Jackson and Becky Waggoner stood in line after being announced at Districts.

Above: The girls' team packed it up at Mtn. Grove.

Below Left: Machell Jackson led the girls' team in praising their victory at Districts.





Above: Heidi and Megan tackle Mount Monett.

1996 BOYS & GIRLS GIRLS



Above: Karly Langford took off in her four hundred meter dash at the Mtn. Grove Relays.



Above: Adam Kimbrough fought to keep his lead in the 3200 at the Mtn. Grove Relays.



Above: Two brothers, Derek and Brian Morrison, exchanged the baton at the district meet at Lake of the Ozarks.

B e l o w : D.J. Rightnowar was masterfully bounding to accomplish the tall high j u m p s .

This year's track team, ag had a winning season. Co Hatley, Cauldwell, Stephens shaped the track te along with the help of Co Bowie and Mr. Howell, what other teams feared. girls put up an impressive fi for only having a few memb The boys team did an excel job and took high placing most of their meets. The tra tion of having the Willow lays was put to end this w The early year showers kept track too wet for racing. E after rescheduling, the raine tinued to play havoc on thetra meet.Willow Springs s eleven people for sectionalsa four people on to state. Thebe and girl's 3200 meter relays;a Walter Blagg in the 1600 me run, raced at the sectional me Dwayne Foster in the 400 me dash; Adam Kimbrough a Scott Smith in the 3200 me run; and Annikki Chamberl in the 800 meter run, raced the state meet. Good job, lad and gentlemen.

by Michael H





Above Right: Sara McFate counted her steps as she prepared for her race at Districts

Above: Front Row: Mike Keafer, Mike Haff, Bradley Heath, Daniel Smith, Scott Smith, Walter Blagg, Ben Holloway, William Iliff, and Adam Kimbrough **Second Row:** Kyle Gilliam, Dwayne Foster, Jeremy Collins, Derek Morrison, Troy Morrison, Sterling Morrison, Coach Hatley, Brian Morrison, Nick Todd, Adam Howell, Erik Stenzel, John Klapmeyer, and Jamie Perkins



Above: Front Row: Megan Kimbrough, and Margie Coatney. Second Row: Machell Jackson, Heidi Chamberlain, Jessi Just, Sara Faddis, and Amanda Chapman. Third Row: Danielle Mathieu, Elisha Stenzel, Annikki Chamberlain, Amy Pruitt, Karly Langford, Sara McFate, Valerie Cousins, and Coach Caldwell.



Above: Dwayne Foster sprinted ahead of the pack to capture the gold at Districts, held at Lake of the Ozarks.



Above: Walter Blagg and Bradley Heath finished as a team in the 3200 meter at Mtn. Grove.



Cheerleading

Some get their kicks by playing basketball, for others it's football. But one thing is for sure, a dedicated group of girls get their kicks from cheering these other dedicated groups on.

Left: Kelly Traver, Jessica Myers, Melody Sims, and Erica Diestmann t_{00j} a moment out of their busy cheering schedule to smile and pose for the camera.



Below: Being hyperactive can really help a person a lot when it com down to the line on cheerleading. This group of girls, showed their spit on the sidelines at the Mountain View Tournament. Pepping the crow up is what all cheerleaders live for.





Above: The varsity squad gave the crowd one last cheer before calling it a night. Practicing after school and on weekends gave the cheerleaders the extra practice they needed to show their never ending energy.

Right: Kelly Traver and Becky Viers switched identities, off an on, during the boys games. By doing this, it kept everyone on their toes wondering who was going to be the "Bear" during the games.



2, 4, 6, 8, Who do we appreciate?

Cheerleading 72

Quiz Bowl SCLC FBLA Letterman Student Council here do I sign up?

- Clubs -

'Man goes into the noisy crowd to drown his own clamour of silence." FFA

Lady Letterman NHS Interscholastic Spanish Club Drama

-QUIZ BOWL-



This years quiz bowl team participated in five matches: Liberty, West Plains, Willow Springs, and Conferance. Both times Willow Springs team was able to out smart the Liberty team, but West Plains gained the upper hand and beat Willow Springs. The members of the quiz bowl team where: Myke Holmes, Donald Barstow, Doug Dunn, Tim Perkins, Adam Kruse, Sara Wedick, Michael Jordan, Tim Harig, and Robert Burgess.





Left: Myke Holmes looked over the work of his teammate, Tim Harig, during a quiz bowl meet.

Above: Working together gets the problems done. Myke Holmes worked on the figuring, Michael Jordan did the thinking, and Donald Barstow and Tim Harig buzzed in the answer.

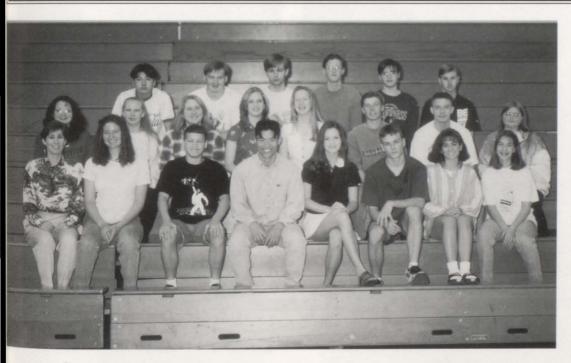
Interscholastic



This year's interscholastic team consisted of: Donald Barstow, Andy Boyle, Kyle Gilliam, Michael Haff, Jessica Myers, Shannon Preston, Amanda Chapman, Crystal Coatney, Jeannett Dumas, Doug Dunn, Jennifer Fogler, Brett Foster, Tim Herring, Myke Holmes, Michael Jordan, Sarah Laws, Rachell Lockhart, Brian Morrison, Jeremy Reaves, Missy Reiners, Heather Smith, Jake Smith, Matt Wedick, and Sarah Wedick.

Individual winners were: Brett Foster, 2nd. in Algebra/Geometry; Jessica Myers, 3rd. in Biological Science; Sarah Wedick, 3rd. in English; Kyle Gilliam, 1st. in American History; Bret Foster, 3rd. in American History; Jeremy Reaves, 3rd. in Psychology/Sociology; Jeannett Dumas, 3rd. in Speech; Donald Barstow, 2nd. in Trigonometry; and Jennifer Fogler, 2nd. in Bookkeeping & Accounting. Willow Springs as a team took 2nd. place overall in Division

Congratulations to all the students who participated in the interscholastic contest in West Plains..



Above: Top row, left to right: Ryou Takakura, Myke Holmes, Donald Barstow, C.J. Collins, Drew Felcons, and Chris Laws. Middle row, left to right: Kim Scroggins, Anna Dyck, Susan Waggoner, Nikki Friga, Missy Reiners, Michael Haff, Kenny Hickerson, and Heather Barton. Bottom row, left to right: Mrs. Snider, Sarah Wedick, Jacob Smith, Kevin Traver, Stephanie Ogden, Tim Perkins, Allison Coatney, and Anniki Chamberlain.



Interscholastic/Math Relays 75



Spanish Club

BOARD MEMBERS Presedent: Sarah Wedick Vice President: Pedro Bentacor Secretary/Treasurer: Megan Kimbrough Reporter: Amy Blair



Front Row: Ms. Richter (sponsor), Sarah Wedick, Pedro Bentacor, Megan Kimbrough, Amy Blair Second Row: Nikki Friga, Tim Perkins, Adam Kruse, Andy Boyle, John Klapmeyer Last Row: Doug Dunn, Jeremy Reaves, Justin Bradley, Toni Wake, Shavonne Sanders



Above: Megan Kimbrough looked on as Sara Corman began her God's eye. Top Left: Tim Perkins wound up his yam after he finished his lovely afghan for Ms. Richter.



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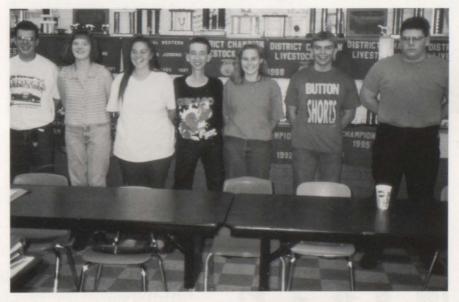
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Front row: Calvin Wood, Josh Westling, Crystal Coatney, Heather Barton, Michael Vaughn, Jason Ferguson, Nora McCready, Mr. Smith (sponsor). Second row: Chris Powell, Colee Collins, Brandon Heathman, Lee Allen, Richie Eljah, Laura Havens, Andy Bonnano, Shawn Wake Third Row: Travis Greer, Lori Wood, Josh Wheeler, Jeff Ward, Chris Ingram, Josh Coomer, Ben Lockhart, Josh Tharp, Erica Diestman Fourth Row: Lesly Clinton, Josh Ennis, Shane Brotherton, Greg Bryan, Jennifer Cudworth, Dana Underwood, Kyla Newman Last Row: Kristy Brown, Dustan Stillwell, Richard Glenn, Travis Pruitt, Zippy Madden, Amanda Clinton, Serena Crowl, Candice Cravens, Melissa Rader



Calvin Wood proudly showed off his award.



Calvin Wood, Crystal Coatney, Nora McCready, Michael Vaughn, Shauna Barton, Jason Ferguson, Josh Westling smiled proudly because of their success in Districts.

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Future Business Leaders of America



ABOVE: Advisor- Beverly Petitt, Members- Tomi Kappelmann, Jeannett Dumas, Allison Coatney, Nancy Grant, and D.J. Nicks.

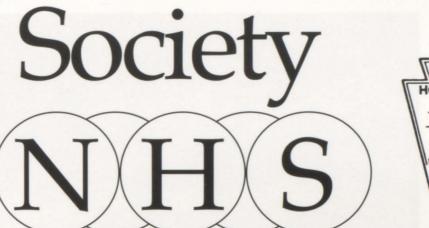


RIGHT: D.J. Nicks and Nancy Grant were the two F.B.L.A qualifiers for state.



National Honor









Above: Doug Dunn at the Dinner Theatre, participated in a play. Is this your new look Doug?



ABOVE: Top Row- Sterling Morrison, Jeremy Reaves, Zandy Vandall, Heather Smith, Michael Haff, Erik Montgomery, Middle Row- Matt Pigg, Sarah Wedick, Doug Dunn, Donald Barstow, Brian Morrison, Stephanie Ogden, Bottom Row- Sabrina Smith, Jessica Myers, Jake Smith, Allison Coatney, Troy Morrison, Derek Morrison, Brett Foster, and Advisor: Dan Zorn (Not pictured) Sherry Carpenter.

President: Stephanie Ogden Vice President: Eric Montgomery Secretary: Heather Smith Treasurer: Zandy Vandall Historian: Michael Haff Sponsor: Mr. Zorn

Student Community Leadership Counc



Above: Front row-Sherry Wiersema, Tyler Lovan, Megan Kimbrough, Jennifer McNew, Amanda Chapman, Danielle Mathieu, and Sara Corman. Second row-D.J. Nicks, Michael Jordan, Elisha Stenzel, Susan Waggoner, Jennifer Elmore, Kelly Traver, and Melody Sims. Third row- Lea Ann Friga, Machell Jackson, Nikki Friga, Missy Reiners, Sabrina Collins, Terry Young, and Becky Waggoner. Last row- Mandy Lovan, Andrea Helmers, Jennifer Childs, and Mr. Wagner, sponser.

Student Community Leadership Council, mostly known as SCLC, was formed at the end of the 1994-95 school year. SCLC was involved in numerous community activities. Such as the following: worked in the Home and Garden show held in West Plains, adopted and cleaned up a street, were involved in the Hazard Drill, assisted with the Spring Fling, Star Spaghetti Dinner and Star Sock Hop Fundraisers, planted flower beds at City Park, and volenteered for M.U.N.C.H. Last, SCLC placed first in District and State at the Missouri Community Betterment Conference.

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Board Members

President-Missy Reiners Vice President-Megan Kimbrough Secretary-Amanda Chapman 2 Year Boardmember-Margie Coatney Becky Waggoner 1 Year Boardmember-Sara Corman Tyler Lovan The SCLC dressed up for the fifties.



Future Homemakers of America



Front Row: Allison Coatney and Abby Davis. Second Row: Amber Brotherton, Mrs. Gum (sponsor), Jeanett Dumas. Third Row: Alicia Wake, Jennifer Cudworth, Heather Jackson, and Nancy Grant. Back Row: Melissa Rader, Angie Caldwell, and Cheryl Amore.



Abby Davis took a time out to show off her FHA sucker.

FHA OFFICERS

President: Jeannett Dumas Vice President: Alicia Wake Secretary: Cheryl Amore Treasurer: Nikki Hicks Historian/Photographer: Melissa Rader

"You're a Good Man Charlie Brown"

Cast Members

Charlie BrownMatt Pigg
Lucy Van PeltLaura Feagans
Linus Van PeltJacob Hicks
SchroederTyler Lovan
PattyAmanda Chapman
SnoopyBecky Viers
PianistJessica Myers
Pianist AssistantKelly Traver



Below: Becky Viers, Jacob Hicks, Amanda Chapman, Matt Pigg, Tyler Lovan, Laura Feagans, and Jessica Myes



Bottom Left: Kelly Traver looks on as Jessica Myers informs her of how she wants things done.

Bottom Right: Lucy sits dreaming of Scheroder's love.

Top Left: Charlie stares sadley at his kite, it just won't fly.



STUDENT COUNCIL



Front Row: Erik Montgomery, Kevin Traver, Sabrina Smith, Amanda Chapman, Tyler Lovan, and Sabrina Collins Back Row: Zandy Vandall, Stephanie Ogden, Melissa Wake, Brandin Gilliam, Michael Haff, and Mrs. Snider (sponser)



Brandin Gilliam and Sabrina Collins worked hard to gather up all of the schools recycled paper.



Above: Sabrina Smith hitched a ride off Kevin Traver while gathering paper.



Michael Haff waited patiently for his food, while Erik Montgomery chowed down at Ruby Tuesday's during a trip.

Letterman &

Below: Letterman rode on a fire truck during the Homecoming parade.





LEFT: Coach Cauldwell strutted her stuff on the slopes at Snow Bluff.

Below: The Lady Letterman posed during their Christmas trip. They lot like they had a great time.



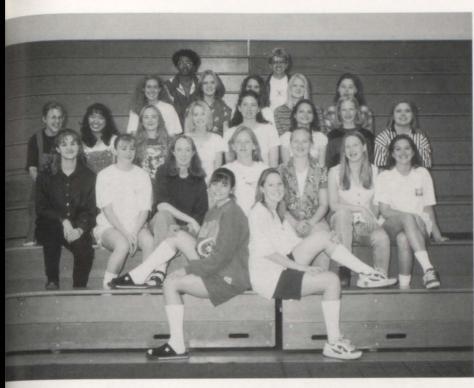
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President: Aaron Fullerton Vice President: Jason Ferguson Secretary/Treasurer: Casey Parker

84 Letterman & Lady Letterman







Left: Front row-Betsy Ward and Wendy Smith Second row-Lori Dean, Stephanie Worley, Sabrina Smith, Amy Pruitt, Amanda Chapman, Missy Reiners, Third row-Margie Coatney, Amanda Summers, Kelly Traver, Jodie Bryan, Alicia Wake, Sarah Wedick, Sara McFate, Karly Langford, Melody Sims Fourth row-Daniel Mathieu, Nikki Friga, Megan Kimbrough, Elisha Stenzel, Mandy Cunningham Back row-Coach Jackson and Coach Cauldwell



Right: Front row-Heidi Chamerlain, Amy Dunn, Sabrina Collins, Becky Waggoner, Amber Haff, Leslie Clinton Second row-Sara Faddis, Jessi Just, Roni Brixey, Casey Crawford, Candice Ogden, Terri Young Third row-Carey Breidt, Cassy Pendergrass, Angela Duddridge, Lea Ann Friga, Machell Jackson, Bobbie Holmes Fourth row-Coach Jackson, Beka Chamberlain, Annikki Chamberlain, Coach Cauldwell

President: Amy Pruitt Vice President: Betsy Ward Sec./Treasurer: Lori Dean



Lady Letterman

Art & Art Club

Josh Preston "Art is a wonderful class to be in, and is a perfect hobby."





Above: Michael Story flashed a confused look at the camera, while Eric Roberts admired the nice art work. Michael received an award for his art work.

Left: The art students took time out for a quick picture.



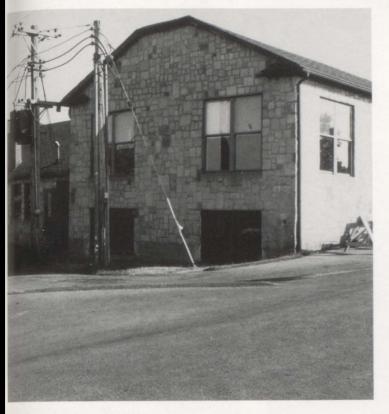
Above: Shannon Preston, Matt Lindaman, and Toni Wake were Above: Becky Viers received an award at Alpha Rho Tau. three members of the Art Club.



Before

Changes

After





A few new teachers



Ms. Richter

"I like it. I like the community. It is interesting; never a dull moment." ~Spanish



Ms. Carter

"I love it. I love the students. I even love the administration."

~Biology



Ms. Daughtery

"It's a nice place and great place to work"



Coach Colley

"It's different. I've not had a boring day all year."

~English

~Assistant Principal

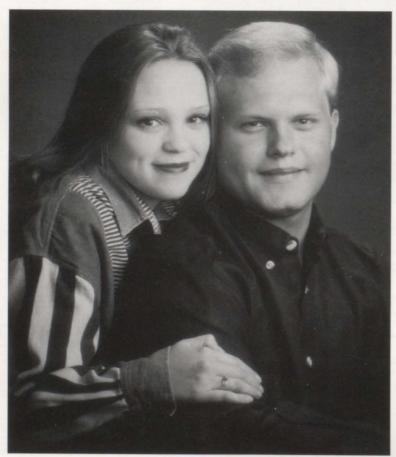
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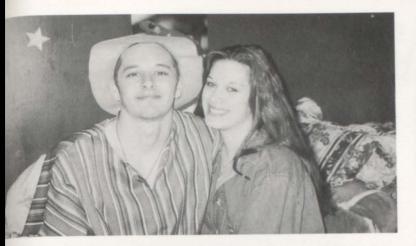


























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Senior Favorites



Most Talented Jacob Hicks & Heather Boyle



Most Likely to Succeed Erik Montgomery & Stephanie Ogden



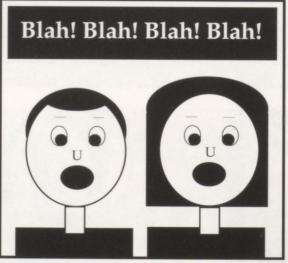
Biggest Flirts Sterling Morrison & Betsy Ward



Class Clowns Casey Parker & Crystal Collins (not pictured)



Most Athletic Brian Morrison & Amy Pruitt



Most Likely to Speak their Mind Kenny Hickerson & Heather Collins

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Will Try Anything Once Jeremy Reaves & Stephanie Carter



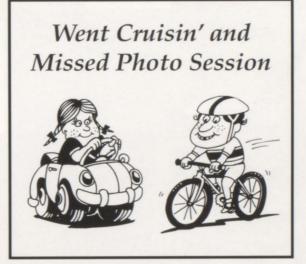
Karl Evans & Shannon Preston (not pictured)



Most Likely to Join a Nudist Colony Aaron Fullerton & Ronda Thompson



Friendliest Michael Haff & Rachel Lockhart



Will Cruise Willow the Rest of their Lives Shannon Clinton & Crystal Coatney



Most Likely to be a Senior Again Next Year James Carr & Tomi Kappelmann



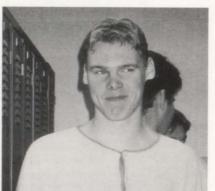






















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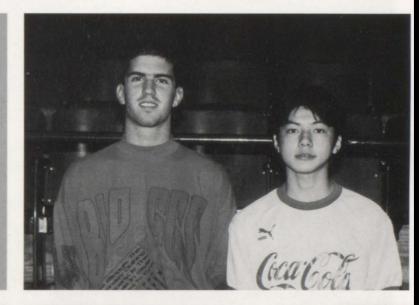


R y o u Right: Pedro Betancor and Ryou Takakura took time out of their busy schedule to graciously pose for their picture.

Foreign Exchange

Ryou Takakura, from Japan, and Pedro Betancor, from Spain spent the entire year in the United States. While we were being graced with their presence, Amber Henry, from Willow Springs, was staying with a host family in Spain. The mixing and matching of cultures gave everyone involoved a new experience.

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Right: Amber Henry, sixth from the left, is pictured with her host family in Spain.



Medieval Magic 1996

Prom Committee

Prom Court







1996 Prom King & Queen Stepanie Ogden & Aaron Fullerton



94 Medieval Magic Prom



Left: Tanika and McCoy Sherry Muniz stared dreamily at Aaron Fullerton in his hot tuxedo before Prom. Right: Cheryl Amore, Jeannett Dumas, Becky Wagner, Wendy Smith, and Shawna Rader appeared to have a great time dancing the night away.



Left: After enjoying a delicious dinner, everyone danced until they could dance no more. Below: Rhonda Carroll and date Jason Brooks took a breather from all the wild dancing that had been going on all through the night.



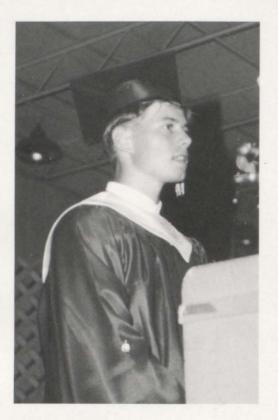


95 Medieval Magic Prom











Above: Michael Haff, Valedictorian, stood before his fellow classmates, teachers, administration, peers, friends, and family and gave a moving speech on the advancement of his life in this school.

Above Middle: Salutatorian, Sterling Morrison, spoke to the audience with a gleam of assurance for all who had made it to this point in their lives.

Above Right: Stephanie Ogden led the invocational prayer.

Right: Stephanie Ogden, Jeremy Reaves, Sherry Carpenter, and Donald Barstow eagerly marched toward the stage to receive their long awaited diploma.

Below Right: Donald Barstow, Aaron Fullerton, Jacob Hicks, Heather Boyle, Nicki Bennett, and Melissa Rader sang "Remember Me This Way" dedicated in the memory of fellow classmate, Casey Harrison.



Graduating Class o



Left: Top Ten Graduates Front Row Left to Right: Brian Morrison, Heather Smith, Erik Montgomery, Jeremy Reaves, Sherry Carpenter, Sterling Morrison Top Row: Michael Haff, Stephanie Ogden, Donald Barstow, Zandy Vandall

Right: These 29 students attended ourschool for all of the 13 years, K-12.





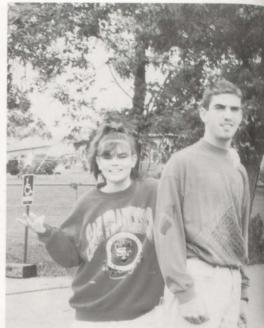
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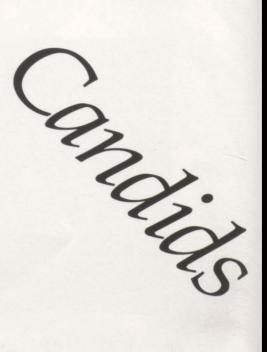


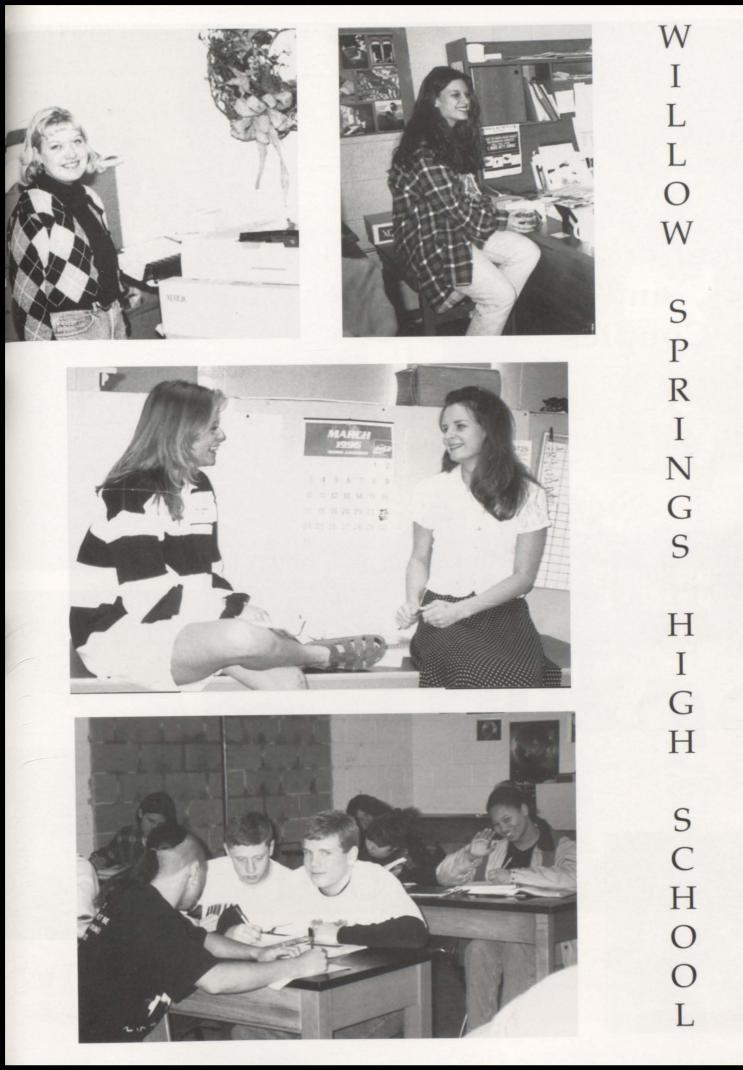


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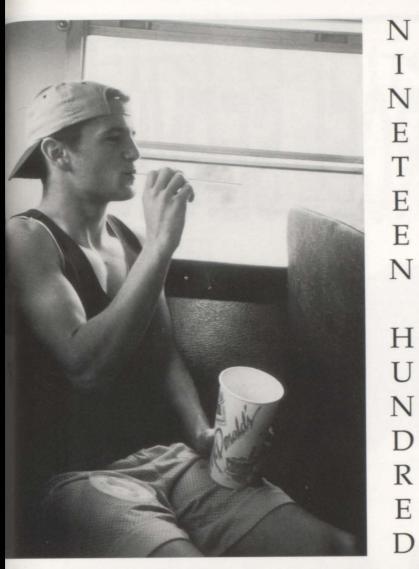




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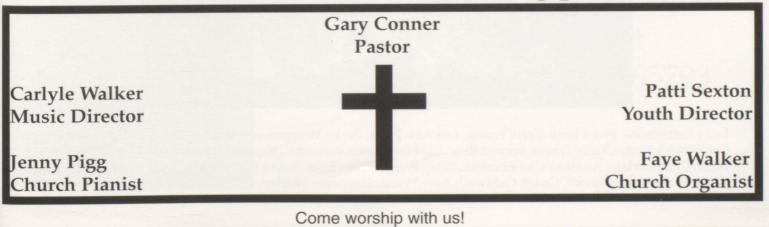
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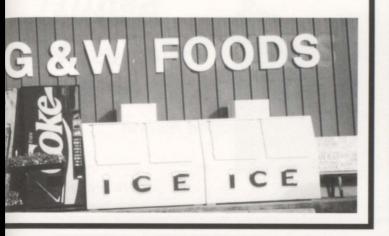




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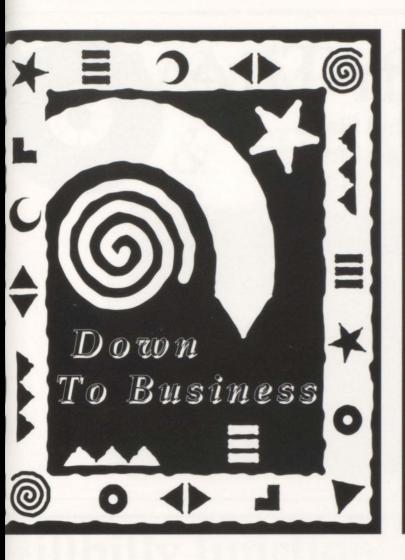
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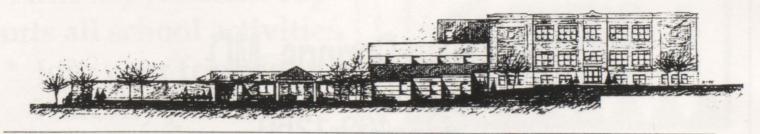
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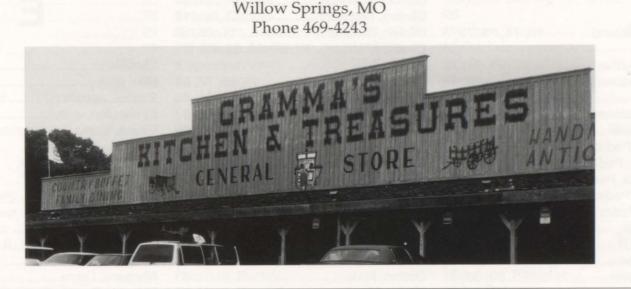
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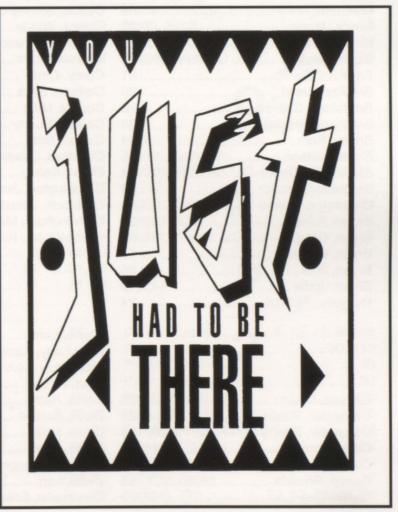
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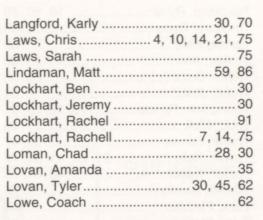
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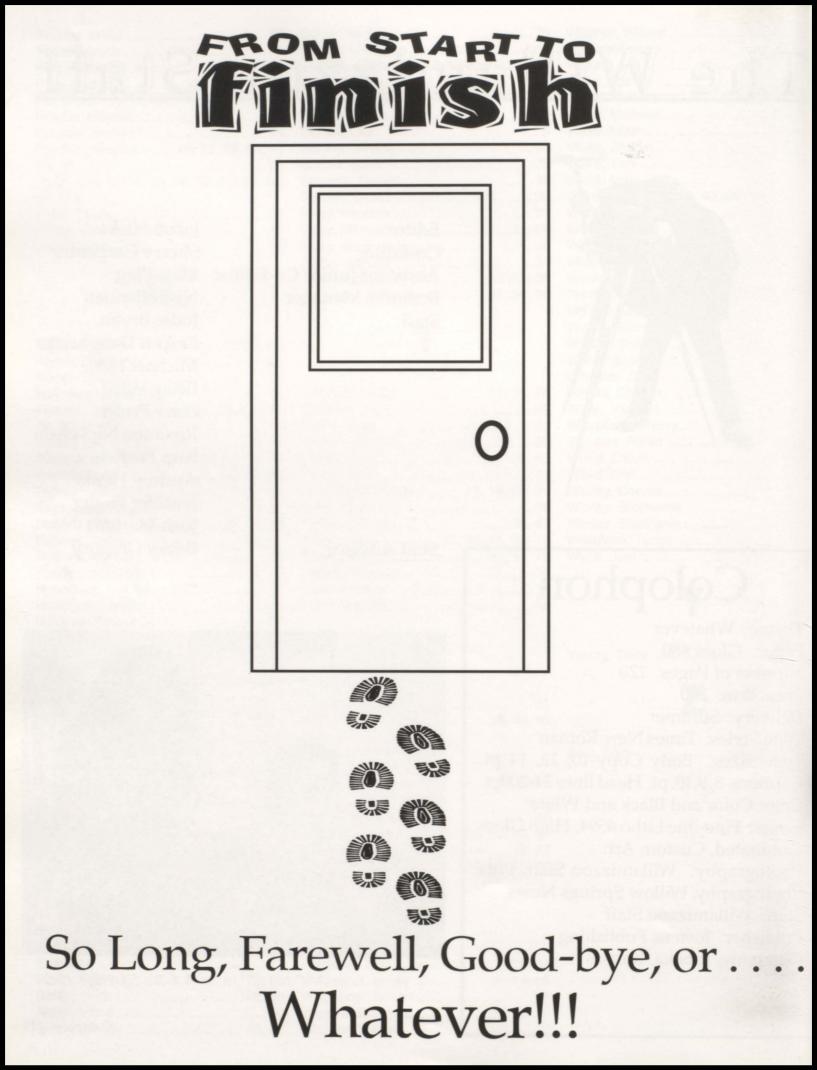
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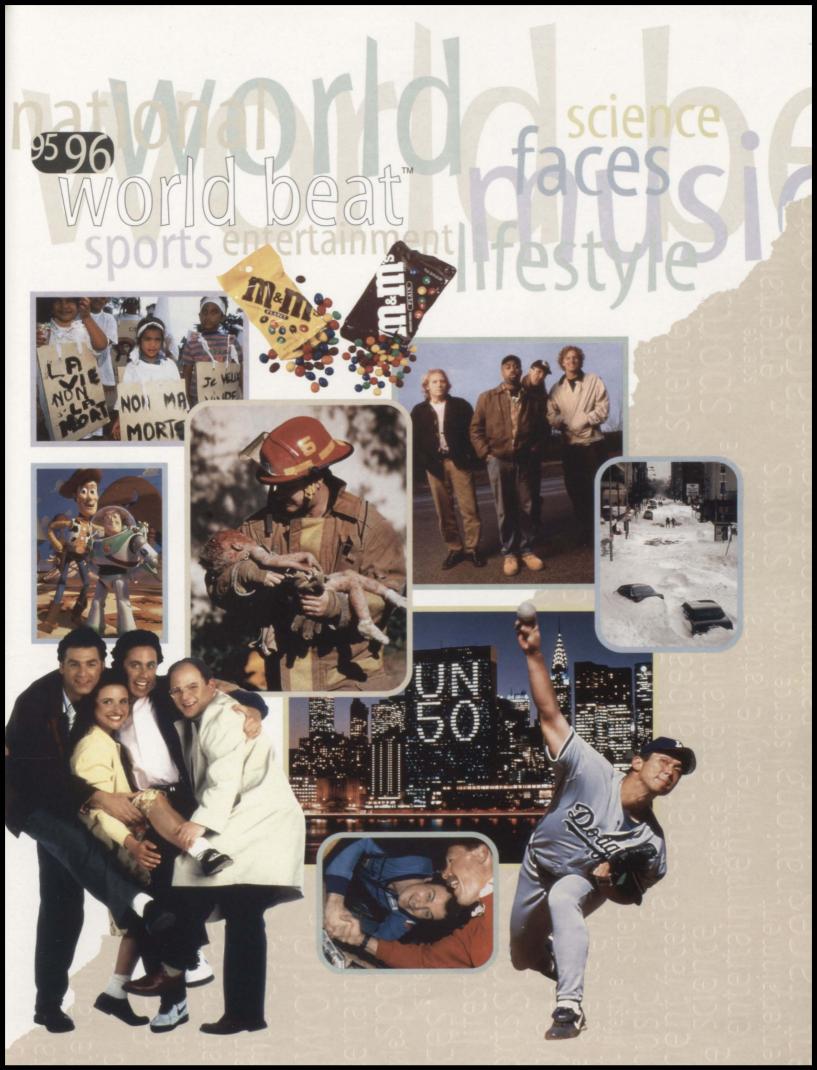
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French transportation workers strike against their government throughout the month of December, shutting down the airlines and the metro system, after France increases the retirement age from 50 to 55 and lengthens the work week from 37 to 39 hours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

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



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



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

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



leads of many of the 186 member nations gather in

New York to celebrate the 50th

anniversary of the United Nations in October.

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



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



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



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



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



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Philippe Giraud, Syom

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



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

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





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



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

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

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

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



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



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



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



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

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



rant Ward, San Francisco Chronicle/Gamma/Liaiso



A frican-American men from Accross the country converge on Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March on October 16. The march, led by Nation-of-Islam minister Louis Farrakhan, promotes African-American unity, dignity, and family values.





Three days of drenching rains in the Pacific Northwest swell rivers to overflowing, caus-

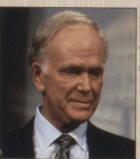
ing severe flooding in Washington in December. In the town of Carnation, a pastor conveys a

woman to dry land with a wheelbarrow.



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

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



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



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



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



AFP/Bett

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



Two-thousand volunteer firefighters battle a raging wildfire in eastern Long Island, New York, for three days in August. The fire, following a 21-day drought, consumes 5,500 acres of pine barrens and damages a dozen homes. There are no injuries or fatalities. The image of firefighter Chris Fields holding one-year-old Baylee Almon, who later dies, comes to symbolize the horror of the April 19 bombing of the Oklahoma City Federal Building that killed 150 adults and 19 children. As more Americans invest, Wall Street enjoys a bull market. In November, the Dow-Jones Industrial

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



Zielenbach, Chicago Tribune from Gamma/Liaiso



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



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



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

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

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

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

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



Charles H. Porter, IV, Sygma



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



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



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



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

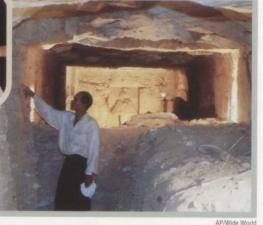


American women celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote. Women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) first organized the fight for suffrage in 1848.

As the result of an improperly Acleaned test tube at a fertility clinic, a woman in the Netherlands gives birth to twin boys, each from a different father.

Wubbo De Jong/Het Parool from Sygma







Dr. Jeffrey Fried, Gamma/Liaison



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

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

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



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





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



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



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

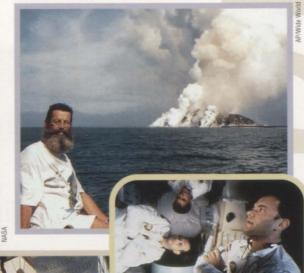


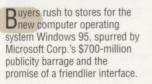
In a procedure known as tissue engineering, scientists grow a human ear under the skin of a laboratory mouse. Researchers hope the procedure will play an important role in the future of transplant surgery.



As a protective measure against counterfeiting in the era of digital publishing, the Treasury Department redesigns U.S. currency bills, to be issued over the next five years, starting early 1996 with the new \$100 bill.

Former rivals in space become comrades in space after the historic docking of the U.S. space shuttle *Atlantis* and Russia's *Mir* space station on June 29. Astronaut Robert Gibson (in red) greets cosmonaut Vladimir Dezhurov. In June, volcanic eruptions give birth to a baby island. A new member of the Tonga Islands emerges near New Zealand, 900 feet high and 140 feet wide.







A. Tannenbaum, Sygma

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

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

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

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

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



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



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

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





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



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



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

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



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



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



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



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



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

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

> Stand-up comic and sitcom Star Ellen DeGeneres makes the best-seller list with her book My Point...And I Do Have One.

Calvin Klein's provocative CK Jeans campaign causes an uproar in August, bringing nasty headlines, threats of retailer boycotts and an FBI investigation. The scandal only seems to help sales.

Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley announce their divorce almost a year after their surprise marriage. The tabloids have a field day speculating about the reasons for the marriage (was it a coldhearted career move?) as well as the causes for the break-up (was he after Elvis' fortune?).

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

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

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

Pete Souza, Gamma/Liaiso





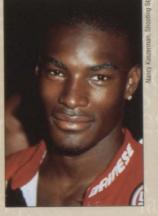
0-year-old St. Louis schoolboy, ALarry Champagne III, becomes a hero by taking control of his school bus after the driver suffered a stroke. Champagne is later awarded a \$10,000 scholarship by the bus company.



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



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



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



Sandra Jol

hristopher Reeve, in a

Wheelchair and hooked up to

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



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

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



United Artists from Shooting Star

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

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





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



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



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



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



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



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

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star



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

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star



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

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



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

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

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

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

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



Sam Jones, Ga

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



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



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



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

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



John Bellissimo, LGI



Rocker Melissa Etheridge follows topselling *Yes, I Am* with her fifth album, *Your Little Secret.* Blues Traveler emerge from the underground scene to widespread popularity with their album *Four* and the single "Run-Around."



Cleveland-based rap group Bone Thugs-n-Harmony vault to the top of the charts with some old-fashioned harmonizing on the album *E. 1999 Eternal.*

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



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



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



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



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



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

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





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



Mark Hauser, LG

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

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

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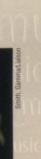
In October, David Bowie and Nine Inch Nails wrap up the U.S. portion of Bowie's world tour. At each show, Bowie and Trent Reznor's band play a set together. In December, Bowie tours Europe with Morrissey as his opening act.

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



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

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





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



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



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

leffrey Scales, LGI

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





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

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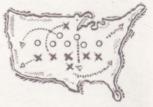
The New Jersey Devils win the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, beating the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four straight games.

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





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



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

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



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



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



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



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



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



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

Ric Stewart, Allsport



The National Basketball Association fines the Chicago Bulls \$25,000 when Michael Jordan wears his previously retired number 23 jersey for luck during championship playoffs against the Orlando Magic in May 1995.

> German tennis star Steffi Graf, Sucho won three of five Grand Slam titles in 1995, ends the

ranked number one in the world.

professional tennis season

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





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

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

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

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

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



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



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



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



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



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

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







A mericans consume culture and history mas attendance at America's 8,000 museums climbs to 600 million people per year, more than movie, theater, and sports attendance combined. Diners are treated to variations on theme cafes, as Hard Rock Cafe is joined by Fashion Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Harley-Davidson Cafe, and London's Cyberia Cafe where patrons



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



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



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



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



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



Reuters/Archive Photos

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



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



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

