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Lauren,
 Hey girl. What's
 up? How does it
 go? Hope you
 really have a
 great time. Well,
 I will advise about
 fun and thanks
 hopefully see
 you soon.

Lauren
 It was fun
 in Econ! hope you
 have a great summer
 and good luck next
 year!
 Lauren
 High, have you
 we still party
 summer. If not is your
 bus late globe

Lauren-
 Hello baby- We've not
 really talked since till
 this year. You are a
 way cool girl and I
 loved the pink bows.
 Have a great summer
 and life. KIT 255-8580
 Wendy

HEY LAUREN,
 I WILL MISS
 YOU NEXT YEAR, WHILE
 YOU ARE HAVING FUN,
 AND I AM STUCK AT
 HART. SEND BIES

Lauren-
 It's been hep knowing
 you. (Hep means cool). I'm
 happy for you that you're graduating
 But it sucks that I won't see you next
 year. Believe it or not I'll miss you.
 Call me sometime to party
 or something. Or if you need
 to find Mary-Jane. Or if you
 wanna say "hi" to me or my
 brother. Or if you need a
 stud. David
 Ward
 6/18

Lauren
 Do me a big favor
 & whip some pens
 over thank
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I'm still
 a little bit
 not bringing the
 to prom. But your
 it slide. Have fun
 Letter Address
 Colin

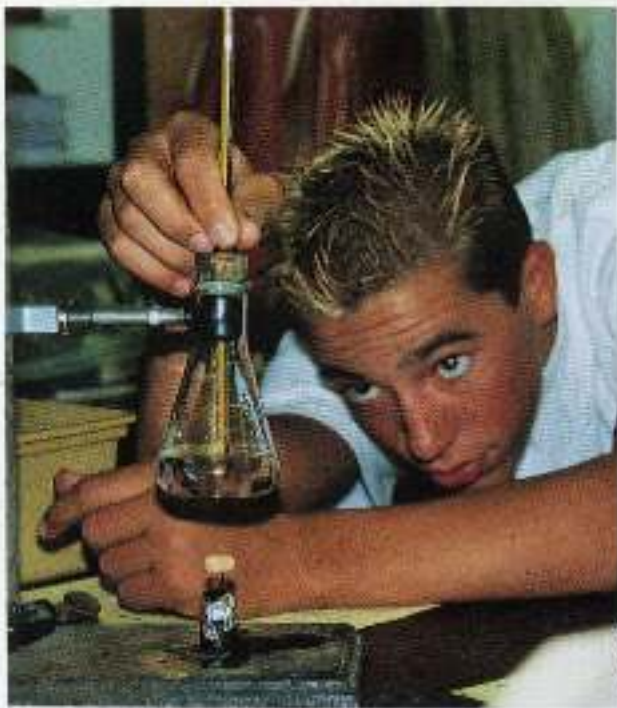
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LAUREN
 Good luck at UET
 School. HAVE A
 GREAT SUMMER TOO,
 STOP BY WOOD ANYTIME
 YOU NEED TO
 MAKE A wooden
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 JB

Lauren
 I've known you
 since 8th grade back
 in the Randy era your
 a cool chick and hope
 you never change
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Lauren,
 We never really partied
 together over the school
 year so lets party over
 summer if you ever here
 of any please call
 254-4768
 Daniel



Lauren-
It's been
great!
Good Luck!
K.I.T.

Love,

Robin
Soria

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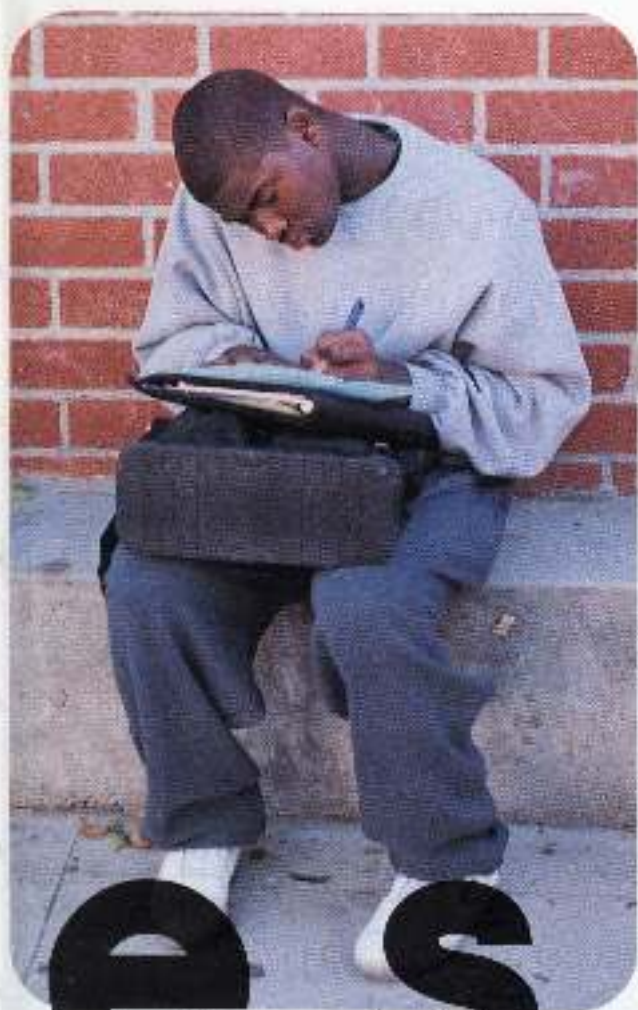


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*Lauren-
hey, have a nice life. If
you've ever in S.D. look
me up and we'll drink.
Fl Konk. I'll remember our
good times. much love,
Steve Margulies
P.S. You're best*

Choose school, choose Hart, choose Mr. Mansfield's fourth period Algebra II/Trig class. Choose to get involved, to play a sport, to sing in choir, to cheer at rallies. Choose to stay on campus at lunch four days a week and attend club meetings.

Choose to be on time.



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Choose your friends. And your enemies. Choose to wink and smile at your crush. Choose to play hard-to-get. Choose to wear patent leather shoes and a slinky black dress on your Saturday night date. Choose to sit at home and play video games.

Choose to flaunt your hidden talents. An artist, an actor, an athlete, a musician, a scholar, an animal-lover, trend-setter, leader, follower, skater, loner—choose to be yourself, whoever you are.

Choose to act your age, to sing in the rain, and to dance in the quad. Choose to go door-to-door collecting canned food for the Holiday Dinner and then choose not to include it on your NHS service hours. Choose to recycle.

Choose your mood. Smile like crazy as you walk to fourth period; cry in the bathroom at brunch; laugh hysterically at a joke you don't understand; yell and scream and throw a tantrum when your locker won't open...again. Choices.

—Kristen Matter

choose to stay at school all
night choose to party every
weekend choose to express
who you are by what you
wear choose to watch
the homecoming game

students





life

Music played out over the quad as students

walked to class in the morning.

Desks filled with students as teachers took roll.

The parking lot emptied as lunch began. The

final bell rang as classes finished for the day.

Lockers slammed as students took out books for homework and studies. The school

came together during the day--to learn,

to play, to grow. Throughout the school, different views and opinions

joined to form the student body. Students and staff filled each day with different

activities and pathways. We shared the student life, the daily happenings and unusual moments at school.

—Amy Bagley

Deadlines, deadlines, deadlines. *Santa Ana Signal* photographers Cristin Peiffer and Eric Gardiner prepare for their upcoming issue.



Musicians rehearsed for countless hours, fine tuning each note blown from a horn or beaten from a drum. Athletic teams practiced under the blazing sun, glistening with perspiration. Computer hackers gathered after school weekly to update the web site. Writers wrote and rewrote articles to please their editors. L.A. Philharmonic members, professional athletes, computer programmers, or journalists for the *L.A. Times*? Close, but no. These were students—students who stayed after school for hours on end for their respective extracurricular activities.



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Ready, aim, fire! Varsity tennis player Kristen Semelsberger [above] prepares to fire off another shot.

Player on the court, student on the sidelines. freshman volleyball player Nicole Stuka [left] studies at a match.



In preparation for the fall drama production, actors John Pantener and Eric Gardiner practice a scene.

Gaining a head start on the season, soccer players Kellie Nordhagen, Daniella Hanes, Mandy Stupar, and Leah Salet condition on the track.



At a pre-season after school practice, Coach Montgomery directs his players.

t home

Junior Steven Jones, a member of the Drama Club, explained, "We usually hold two to three hour rehearsals every day [during play productions], but that doesn't include the hours of practicing over and over again at home. If you want to be successful in drama, it takes up a lot of time and devotion." On the same note, junior Lindsay Hacker, in marching band and concert band asserted, "We have to be at band a bit before 7 a.m., after school on Wednesday for 3 hours, after school Tuesdays for 3 hours, Friday nights for games, and all day Saturdays for competitions." "I practice five days a week for more than two hours. If we have a really bad game, we usually have longer, more repetitive practices," said senior Brandon Robles, a veteran of the varsity volleyball team.

Despite the time commitment, many students remained undaunted. "I am involved in cross country because you learn discipline and dedication. I'm also conditioning for basketball," commented freshman Dylan Patterson. Sophomore Cheri McKinley was devoted to the dance team because "I love dance and my friends are on the team also." A member of the JV girls' tennis team, sophomore Lexi Cina declared, "I am involved with tennis because tennis has been one of my loves since I was about seven years old."

Many students echoed sophomore Bridgette Colleran's sentiments that "...making sacrifices is a big part of being involved." However, for the most part, the pros of being involved outweighed the cons, "I get a great feeling of self achievement," explained junior Katie Baca, varsity soccer player.

--Leona Kwon



What do you guys regularly do?

Peter Lee: We kick it. We practice breaking. We dream about cars.

J.R. Gutierrez: Yeah, we go around admiring other people's cars. 'That's going to be my car someday.'

Vouy Ley: Basically on Fridays, I'm usually grounded because I go out on the weekends and get home late. So I get grounded on Friday and go out on Saturday night. It's a cycle.

Jeremy Adajar: On Friday nights, we usually just kick it with friends in the valley or wherever.

Matt Kishiyama: Third Street Promenade. Citywalk. We don't usually stay in this valley. We go out.

Peter: Because there's nothing to do here. Valencia has nothing. We have to go down to Northridge or Santa Monica. They have a different atmosphere.

Jabez Martinez: We go to the Burbank Mall. We go to every mall.

Peter: We play video games. We usually go back down to the valley and go see a movie and whoever. Then eat and go to the mall again and play some more video games.

Vouy: We go to UCLA because there's arcade tournaments there.

Raymond Lee: We go on the Internet a lot.

Jabez: We play basketball. We play wherever. There's courts at Orchard, Saugus, where I live.

Matt: Dance clubs. Flier parties.

Jeremy: Every month there's like people in the valley, with like party crews, and a bunch of people throw out parties. They give out fliers and we just go to those parties. That's how we meet other people if we decide to go to the valley. We just get to know more and more people.

J.R.: We just kick it all together. I don't know exactly what we do. We just decide whatever as soon as we get together. Everyone just jumps into the car and we go on the phone to decide. If we talk, we just say 'Hey, wanna do something?' And we just say, 'Meet at this place.'

Peter: And from there we decide.

i like the night life baby

Students rushed out while bells rang once. Cars zoomed away while freshmen waited outside.

Lockers slammed shut while halls lay empty. School was

out. Night set in. Planning for weekends sometimes took a couple hours, or for others only

a few minutes. When students finally decided where they would go and what they would do, transportation

came into play. Those who were carless depended on friends or even parents to take them to the nine

o'clock showing of the new George Clooney flick. Those who had cars drove off to the basketball game

against the school's rival Saugus. Some students sipped coffee at Barnes & Noble, heard bands at Q-

Zar, watched movies at the mall, or grooved moves at Mountasia. Others watched TV at home, ate dinner

in restaurants, or bowled strikes at the Plaza. However, there were those who ventured beyond the

boundaries of Santa Clarita. These out-of-townies bought tickets to raging concerts and reserved seats

to Shakespearean plays. Still others walked around places like Citywalk and Griffith Park Observatory.

No matter where they went or whom they went with, it was the time to kick back and relax from the

everyday pressures of school. It was nightlife.



Describe your typical weekend.

Jon Terwilliger: Most of us are swimmers so after practice on Friday nights, we go to the football games and after that we go to Ryan's house sometimes, play a little poker, and call some girls up. We party at Ryan's. We play a Super Nintendo tournament. MarioKart is our favorite game. It's pretty rad. Sometimes we go to houses and just watch movies.

Ryan Parmenter: Yeah. We watch a lot of movies.

David Brown: We like to play mud football every time it rains.

Jon: Yeah, we go to the Valencia Clubhouse.

Ryan: And we play football there.

Todd Huffman: I like to hit people playing football.

David: And David likes stopping them. We like to play Ultimate Frisbee along with mud football.

Ryan: Jon likes to do the cheapest moves he can find.

Eric Reifman: Sometimes we go to the bowling alley and like compete against each other and have fun.

Ryan: Yeah. We're bowling pros. We take on like the sixty year olds and we like beat them.

Bryan Biggers: And sometimes there's these dumb guys that come and try and beat us and lose money.

Ryan: Yeah. Me and Bryan keep betting against Todd and we take his money all the time because Todd can't bowl.

Bryan: But we're so nice, we end up giving it back.

Ryan: Unless we need lunch money or we played too many [bowling] games that we can't afford it. I don't know. We go babe watching, but we usually don't get the babes.

Eric: We respect the women though.

David: We just like to have a good time, hang out.

Ryan: We don't go to raging parties. We stick to pretty low key stuff. We're not like totally cool, but we're cool for us. We do fun stuff. We have our own little parties. I don't know.

We just have a good time, play mud football, hang out at my house a lot, and watch a lot of



movies, not trying to impress anyone but ourselves.

Christian Knepeck: I do all the things they do.

David: Yeah, we just like to be ourselves.

Ryan: Most of us work during the day so we usually get together about five or six, cause we do our homework, our work and I'd say we're home twelve or one...sometimes earlier.

Jon: But we like to get together as much as we can.

David: We're pretty peaceful. We just like to hang out.



they're going to do. We call each other to figure out [plans for that night] and when we go to someone's house to meet, we realize we don't even want to do it so we just do something else.

Casey: Actually, we get together and we just end up sitting there.

Megan: We plan to do something, but we never get there.

Whitney: Basically, we just like hanging out with each other, you know. We like to do stuff and know what we're going to do, but a lot of times we just end up staying home or hanging out together.

Do your parents limit your night time like curfews and stuff?

Whitney: My mom...well, I'm the oldest so she's testing out everything on me. So I have to be home at ten. And these girls are like, 'We're going to go to a 9:30 movie.' And I'm just like, 'OK, I'll just leave at ten, and then my mom will be happy.' I sort of have to be home the earliest.

Renata: Like, well, um, my mom and dad are okay with this thing as long as they know where I am. I still do have a curfew and I can't be just like, out. I mean I have to be home like most people do.

Whitney: I think the people with older siblings have it a lot easier.

Since you guys are involved with cross country, volleyball, and cheerleading, does that conflict with your plans on Saturday nights?

Sara: Yeah, because we have games or we have to [go home] early because we get in trouble [with our parents].

Casey: So it's kinda hard to have everyone together.

Megan: At school we're all running around and a lot of us don't see each other, and after school we have sports.

Carrie Hunt: [Nights are our] bonding time!

--as told to Tiffany Martinez



What do you guys basically do at night?

Sara Dean: Football games, parties, or whatever on Saturdays.

Renata Lombardo: We go to Young Life. We try to have things during the week just as much as on the weekends.

Sara: We go to Red Robin a lot, or we go to Megan's house.

Lindsey Campbell: We have sleepovers [at Megan's house].

Whitney Phillips: We stay up really late. We order pizza late.

Megan Florio: The pizza delivery man at Ameci's knows how to get to my house by heart now. We sing a lot!

Lindsey: We make little skits and we laugh at ourselves.

Casey Boller: Our own little *Saturday Night Live* thing.

Sara: Her and Lindsey do the little Spartan thing [from *Saturday Night Live*]. Every other weekend we have sleepovers. We're different like at night from other groups.

A lot of people like to go to a movie or like to know what

A sea of red shirts flooded the bleachers and a blare of horns echoed through the gym. Students packed themselves into the stands, bursting with school spirit. Junior April Sanders summarized. "[Rallies] unite people and make them feel like they're a part of the school." Whether it was unconditional school pride or the large amount of money given away, most students enjoyed the rallies.

Rally entertainment was provided by the dance team, which moved and grooved to upbeat songs, Sound Vibes, which sang and danced to show tunes, and the Regiment, which blasted and blared to movie themes. Cheerleaders danced, stunted, and led class cheers, boosting school spirit. Sports teams boasted about their season and encouraged students to show support at their games.



Pepped up for their game, JV football players Jason Autrey and Mihai Babake try to win money for their spirit.

Ever on the sideline, seniors Marisa Barnett and Jennifer Kelly add cheer to rallies.

rallies



Each rally proved to be different than the last. At the Canyon rally, students hummed into kazoos, stumping principal Mr. Fuller in the third round of *Name That Tune*. Students entered the dark, eerie gym at the onset of the Homecoming rally.

Practice and preparation went into every aspect of rallies. ASB planned themes and activities days and weeks before each rally. Performers left their second period class ten to thirty minutes before the brunch bell rang. Although the performances were different, the goal was the same—to enhance school spirit. "Spirit comes from the heart," stated cheerleader Sareeta Perry, "but some people feel that it's uncool to have [spirit]."

Nevertheless, students cheered, some to display their school spirit, others to win big prizes. Sophomore Andrew Leonardi complained, "I'm still trying to win the money."

Amongst the excitement and anticipation of rallies, memories formed. Freshman Erik Legler recalled his first rally, when he didn't know what to respond during the class cheer. "I just wish the cheerleaders would have told us what we were supposed to cheer!" he exclaimed. Junior James Morales declared that his "... favorite part is when they play the fight song." Whatever memories remained, rallies continued to raise school spirit and unite the student body.

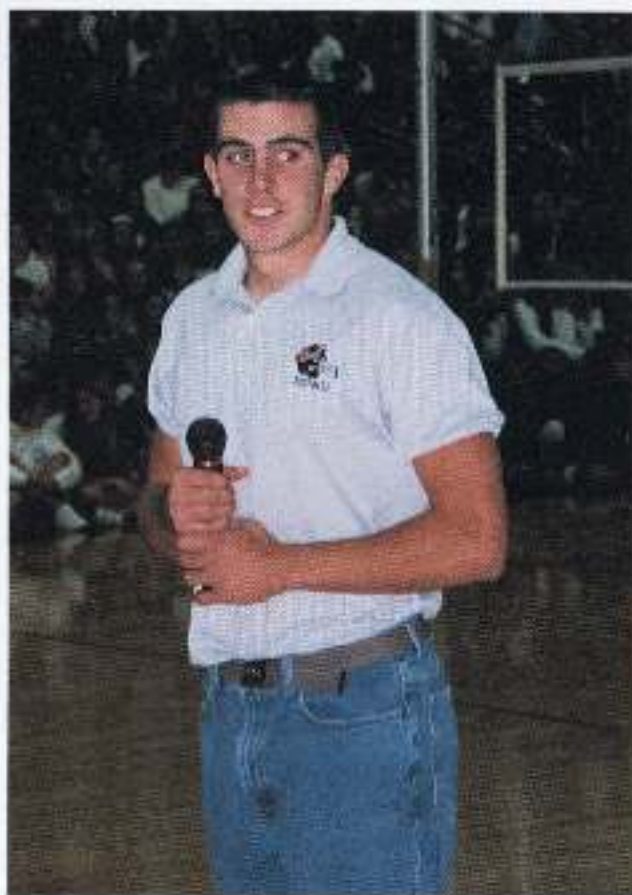
--Megan Kopic

Red hot and full of school spirit, junior Nikeya Daniel cheers at a rally.



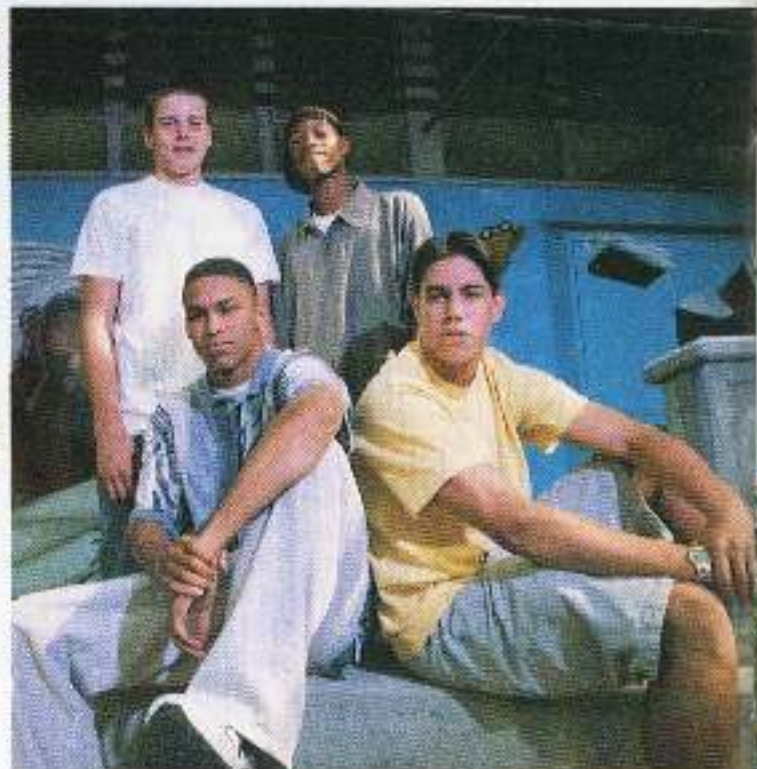
Kung Fu Fighting, rally host Megan Marzino defeats a mock Canyon football player. Later that evening, the varsity football team beat Canyon 38-25.

Carrying out a school tradition, senior Nate Small addresses the crowd as a representative of the varsity football team.



style

Group photo
(left to right)
Andrea Letamendi
Holly Nicol
Samantha Schmidt
John Pantiener



Group photo
(clockwise)
Kyle Buller
Jon Lyons
Scott Hunt
Jerry Owens



Group photo
(left to right)
Sandro Mejia
Cherry Bordallo
Sareeta Perry



Group photo
(left to right)
Stefanie Kackel
Kimmy King
Scott Frank



Sound Vibes, performing before the start of the Homecoming game, sings and dances to a song from *Kent*.

Ready for trick-or-treating, senior Cristina Cavoto dresses as a princess on Halloween.



The main attraction of "The Cheesiest Fourth of July Parade Ever," Court members Casey Bingham, Michael Cannon, and J.T. Stutts ride high on the fire engine.

Twelve months and five holidays passed by in five days during Homecoming week. The theme, "Everyday is a Holiday at Hart," enabled students to celebrate a different holiday every day of the week proceeding Homecoming.

School started anew on Monday, "New Year's Eve." At brunch, students toasted off the week with glasses of apple cider. At lunch, students who stayed on campus belted out Karaoke tunes. Freshman Drew Lewandowski thought, "... New Year's was the best. [Although] the DJ would have been better if he had played good music."

haunted homecoming

Love was in the air when Tuesday, "Valentine's Day," brought carnations and Hershey's

Kisses to campus. The Homecoming Court--Jackie Bailey, Casey Bingham, Hadyn Cannon, Mike Cannon, Wendy Cook, Peggy Fisk, Taryn Stuart, James Troost, and Kelli White--serenaded the student body as the couples sang love songs. Senior Channette Ingram commented, "Valentine's Day was funny because the Court had to try and sing."

On Wednesday, shamrocks hidden in the quad at brunch created "St. Patrick's Day." Green bagels and green apple lollipops were also handed out.

A Fourth of July parade, with Mr. Fuller as the Grand Marshall, toured the school on Thursday. Sophomore Shardul Ramolia stated, "The parade was my favorite activity." Court member Casey Bingham expressed, "I liked the fire engine parade. I thought that was cool. It was different from everyday brunch."

Friday was Halloween, the actual holiday of the week. Students dressed in an assortment of costumes, ranging from angels to rebel soldiers to the Phantom of the Opera. The annual smashing pumpkins contest occurred by the side of the auditorium. A pumpkin pie eating contest was held in the quad.

At brunch, a rally, held in the darkened gym, provided a spooky atmosphere. ASB performed a Scream themed skit at the beginning of the Homecoming rally, which also honored the girls' varsity tennis team for capturing the league title. The Homecoming Court, dressed in Halloween costumes,



"Kick your heels up and shout" sings Heart Breaker soloist Kelly Fairchild during the Sister Act medley.



...homecoming



Congratulated by fellow Court members J. T. Stotts and Peggy Fisk, Homecoming Queen, Taryn Stuart, sports a wide smile and a glimmering crown.

something stupid." While the girls were escorted to the stage by their fathers, the boys, with roses in hand, awaited their arrival amongst tombstones embellished with the Courts' names. Junior Lindsey McPhail's favorite part of Homecoming was "...when James Troost strolled on stage in his top hat and cane."

A hand popped from a grave, holding the envelope that contained the names of the Queen and King. Last year's King Shaun Keefer watched Mr. Fuller announce Mike Cannon as King. Mike confessed, "I thought it was a mistake but I willingly accepted it. It makes me feel better about myself and it confuses me because I didn't think I knew that many people." His Queen, Taryn Stuart, exclaimed, "I remember being a freshman watching Amanda Waal as she got the crown and I thought, 'Wouldn't it be wonderful to be so lucky?' Now I'm here, walking in her shoes and I just can't believe it. I think I may not be the prettiest girl or the most talented, but I am definitely the happiest, luckiest girl in the whole wide world."

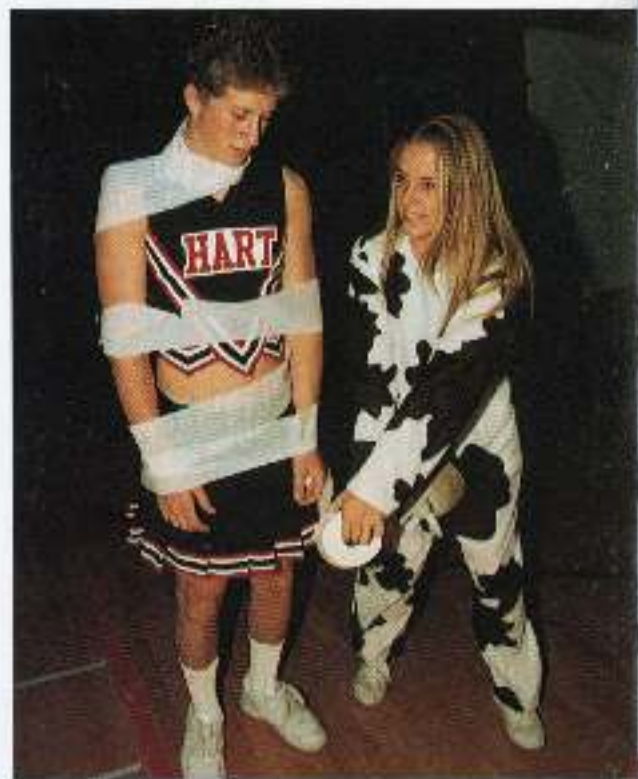
—Amy Bagley

participated at the rally. The members raced across the gym floor after the girls wrapped the boys in toilet paper and Christmas lights.

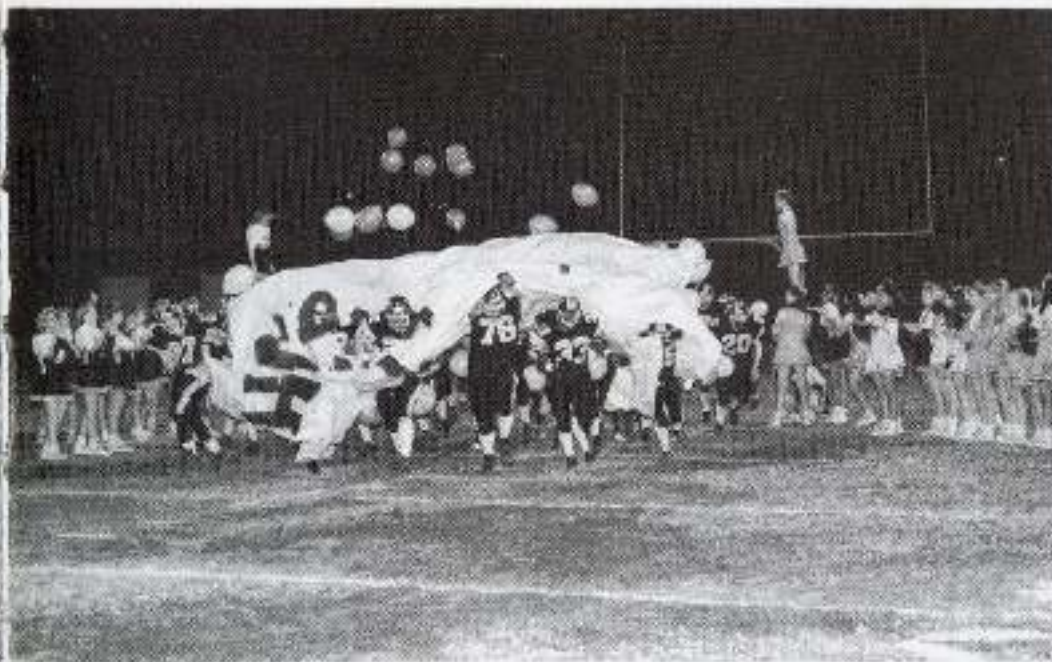
Music, from *Thriller* and *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, and graveyard sets brought Halloween to the Homecoming game. Sound Vibes, Concert Choir, and Hart Breakers performed for the crowd before the game against Burbank started.

The Court walked around the track, decked out in formal dresses and tuxedos, while costumed fans lingered in the stands. Court member James Troost complained, "My legs were so tired from all the standing and my jaw hurt from all the smiling." While Mr. Basey prepped the Court, Mr. Fuller and Mr. Mansfield prepared to announce the Court. Court member Wendy Cook admitted, "I was nervous [waiting at the football game] because I thought I was going to fall or do

Court members Wendy Cook and Michael Cannon participate in a tee-peeing contest held at the Homecoming Rally. Throughout the week ASB held various activities to rouse school spirit.



Homecoming Court (left to right): Peggy Fisk, Casey Bingham, Wendy Cook, Hayden Cannon, Taryn Stuart, Michael Cannon, Jackie Bailey, J. T. Stotts, Kelli White, and James Troost smile after the coronation ceremony.



In a fit of rage, varsity football players burst through an attempted paper blockade, while the cheerleaders look on.

Who's the man behind the mask? Guest referee Nick Manning sports his Scream costume at the rally.



With beaming smiles and sparkling eyes, King Michael Cannon and Queen Taryn Stuart pose for the upcoming media entourage.



Hoop-De-La Court: Front Row: D. Deldo, K. Weber, C. Adams, D. Socha, I. Smith, A. Scudlock, C. Cameron, C. Hunt; Row Two: K. Foss, J. Kelly; Back Row: R. Noble, P. Pfahn, J. Valentin, T. Richardson, H. Wallace, K. Nordhagen.

After he has been named king, senior Chris Adams recovers from the shock. Later, he crowned Mr. Fuller with his own hat.



Glowing with happiness and excitement, Hoop-de-la Queen Danni Socha receives a congratulatory hug from Court member and friend Kellie Nordhagen.

A ripping machine, freshman Cole Cannon performs at the Hoop-de-la rally. Not only was Cole the freshman Prince, he also planned the ceremony as freshman President of ASB.

With a quick steal, senior J.T. Stotts sprints away from a Burroughs player to score another three points.

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"C to the A to the R-R-I-E. When I walk down the street, guys stare at me." Princess Carrie Hunt rapped. She performed in front of a live audience, not at the Puff Daddy concert, but at the Friday Hoop-De-La rally. However, Carrie wasn't the only one performing. The Hoop-De-La Court—freshmen Carrie Hunt and Cole Cannon, sophomores Danny Deldo and Kasey Weber, juniors Jasen Smith and Allison Scurlock, seniors Chris Adams, Kylie Foss, Jennifer Kelly, Kellie Nordhagen, Roger Noble, Patty Plahn, Travis Richardson, Danni Socha, Brandon Wallace, and Jennifer Valentin—all took turns rapping into the mike. "I liked having all the grades represented. I wished I [were] in it!" sighed freshman Lindsey Kontra.

However, the rally not only supported the Court, but also winter sports. The varsity soccer boys' and girls' teams competed in a pie-eating contest, which quickly turned into a pie-throwing contest, while the varsity basketball boys' and girls' teams competed in a b-ball shooting contest, which slowly turned into a fast dressing contest.

Dressing up was another part of Hoop-De-La. At seven o'clock that night, the Court, decked out in flowing gowns and stiffening suits, talked to friends and sipped on sodas as they waited for the "big game." Junior Coby King commented, "I liked seeing all the girls dressed up. Senior Chris Adams had a cool hat." Finally, around eight o'clock, the girls' varsity basketball team defeated Burroughs and within seconds, the boys' varsity basketball team bombarded the court. During warm-ups, flying basketballs and running men filled the court. When the warm-up music ended, the court changed its appearance. The running men and flying balls disappeared and two neat lines of cheerleaders formed. As the announcer called out the starting line up, one by one, basketball players ran between the lines. In just a matter of seconds, the game would begin.

During the first and second half, Burroughs was ahead and the crowd was calm. Junior Tessa Coe stated, "I didn't think much of losing cause I thought we'd come back and win." Yet when the half-time buzzer went off, a new sense of energy spread through the gym. ASB members raced onto the court, basketball members scudded off the court, and Court members jumped onto the court. Within the blink of an eye, the court transformed from a hard wooded floor into a red carpeted floor, complete with pillars and trees. As each Court couple paraded down the red carpet and up onto the risers, Mr. Mansfield, the emcee, announced information about each Court member, such as influential people and favorite movies. Mr. Fuller "wish[ed] [he] could crown all [of the Court], but [he could] only crown two." After he said that, he opened the envelope—the King was Chris Adams. In exchange for the crown, Chris capped Mr. Fuller with his black and white hat. Then, Mr. Fuller addressed the female section of the Court when he directed them to unwrap the wrapped flower bouquets in their arms. The girl who carried the white roses would be Queen. A look of delight emerged on her face as Danni Socha discovered she had the white bouquet. Pictures were taken and people were hugged as ASB speed cleaned the court for the return of the basketball players. At the same time, the announcer pleaded with the crowd to clear the court in order to resume the game.

At last, the third quarter began and the crowds cheered louder than before. With 38 seconds left in the fourth quarter, the home team reduced the score gap to four points. Anticipation swept through the gym as fouls frequently interrupted the game. The game ultimately came down to 12 seconds and a score of 46-43, Burroughs in the lead. The ball and the tie were in the home team's hand if they scored a three-pointer. However, they shot and missed and Burroughs won. Although the players lost, the Court members won. Queen Danni Socha exclaimed, "I was shocked, flattered, and hungry when I won! At the same time, I felt really embarrassed. In the meeting before the ceremony, when Mr. Basay was telling the Queen what to do, I wasn't exactly paying attention. So I had no idea how to react or what to do. It's kinda a weird title so I have not really decided how to feel yet."

—Tiffany Martinez

hoop-de-la



Ballerinas in the making, dance team members Allise Howell and Arianna Parks grace the Hoop-de-la rally.

Hard at work, sophomore Sharmishtha Osmani, junior Georgina Cuervo, and freshman Judith Cordero wrap presents for Santa to distribute.



With a cheerful smile, sophomore Tiffany McKeighen sorts through donated shoes at the Holiday Dinner.

As they hang a decorative poster, junior Natanya Glezer aids sophomore Andrew Tran as sophomore Chris Edstrom fetches the tape.





Now that's a bright idea—junior Robbie Puckett (below) untangles Christmas lights to decorate the cafeteria.

Caught up in the spirit of giving, sophomores Kasey Weber (far below) and Jennie Bailey organize Christmas presents. The event offered all students a chance to be Santa.

Outside, a crisp December wind crackled leaves and formed goose bumps on the skin of families waiting in line. Inside, the cafeteria radiated warmth—warm food, warm clothes, and warm smiles. Bright shades of red and green, blue and yellow decked the cafeteria walls. The aroma of turkey, sweet

holiday dinner

potatoes, and pumpkin pie enticed the appetites of guests and hosts alike. The melodies of Christmas carols chimed slightly above the murmur of the bustling crowd. After months of planning, weeks of preparing, and hours of decorating, the moment had arrived and the doors finally opened. Students welcomed their guests to the seventh annual Holiday Dinner.

Because the community grew to depend on the event, the Holiday Dinner had become a tradition. The Do-Gooders added a new tradition to the dinner. A month before the event they collected milk cartons, graham crackers, and candy. Then, they glued the crackers to the cartons and made frosting. "The kids got to frost the houses and decorate them with candy," explained junior Aubrie Pick. "Working with the kids," recalled sophomore Michele Salas, "was a wonderful experience." Indeed, most volunteers enjoyed helping out at the dinner.

"If you can give: Give. Give a little of your precious time; give a little of your precious personality to help brighten up someone's holiday season," sophomore Jeral Suleeman encouraged. Students gave in numerous ways to prepare for the Holiday Dinner. They gave 130 turkeys and over 1000 toys to more than 2000 people. Also, they volunteered—they gave their time. Sophomore Judy Hodes, for example, spent "...eleven and a half hours [at the dinner] because there was so much to do. I helped sort clothes, wrap presents, decorate tables, and prepare and serve desserts." Senior Anna Kuberry, who headed the NHS clothing drive, mentioned that the Intramural Leadership class "...went to garage sales to get donations [for] clothes," a process that "ran for more than three weeks." Sophomore Erin Loeb found "bizarre things" as she "sorted through piles and piles, huge piles of clothes." Freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors alike cooked and cleaned, collected toys, clothing, and blankets.

All of this service did not go without rewards. "The people [who] came to the dinner were in great moods and they had lots of smiles to give in return for our hard work," recalled senior Branden Shively. Most students found great satisfaction by adding to the holiday cheer of the community. "The Holiday Dinner really makes you feel good about what you've done and the help you've provided," explained junior Reem Salahi. (continued on page 22)



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In addition to feeling great, some students learned life-long lessons from the dinner. Senior Luis Oliva noticed "...how many less fortunate [people] there are out there." Junior Melanie Jeffries remarked, "I [have] become more open-minded about the homeless. I have learned to appreciate the things that I have."

Although most students considered the evening an overall heartwarming experience, many took home favorite memories. "There were many good aspects [of the dinner]," senior Ramiro Cisneros commented, "but the one that touched me was seeing all the little kids so happy when they would get a toy from Santa." Senior Jonathan Rey cherished "...the feeling that I got that I was doing good for the community, that I was helping out someone less fortunate than I am."

The joy of giving made the Holiday Dinner a seven year tradition. It became an integral part of the holiday season for many students. "My holiday season would not be complete without helping out at this event!" exclaimed sophomore Kasey Weber.

-Kristen Matter



Carols in brass fill the air as sophomore Sean Anderson and senior Rob Crockett play their saxophones.

Always ready to help, senior Patty Pahn offers her assistance to some hungry guests.



What is the importance of the Holiday Dinner to the school and to the community?



Working behind the scenes, freshman Nyein Win and junior Marcie Hollis prepare delicious holiday treats.



"It is a time when people are given a chance to give instead of receive. There are many times when a person has a chance to give and it brings holiday cheer to lots of children and needed help to their parents."

—Senior Amy Cano



"At some point or another in life, people realize the importance of helping other people out, and for me the holidays were just a great time...to do that."

—Freshman Juli Baca



"I think it's a great thing that the students and teachers can put on something like this to help the needy during the holidays. It makes you feel good, knowing you helped someone in a time of need."

—Senior Travis Richardson



"The annual Holiday Dinner is a time for Hart to share its incredible wealth—its heart—with the rest of the community. To the community, the event is a blanket and a smile wrapped up in a big red bow for the holidays."

—Sophomore Breezy Long



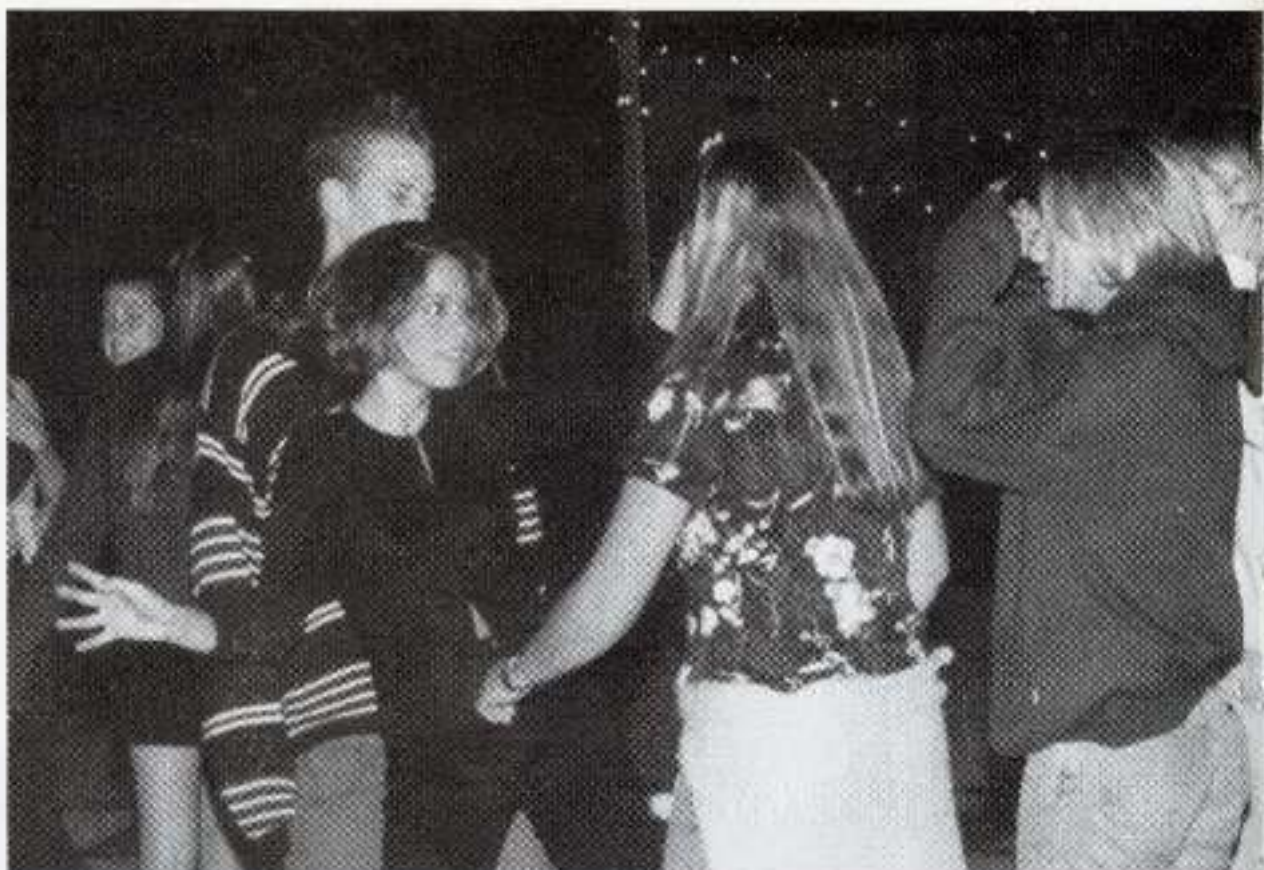
"The Holiday Dinner is important because it gives a chance for us 'high schoolers' to show, not only the homeless, but to everyone that we do care. Our generation still has morals and feelings for the unfortunate. This is a chance for us to show our concern. God put these feelings inside us and this is a showcase for us."

—Senior Trevon Wilson

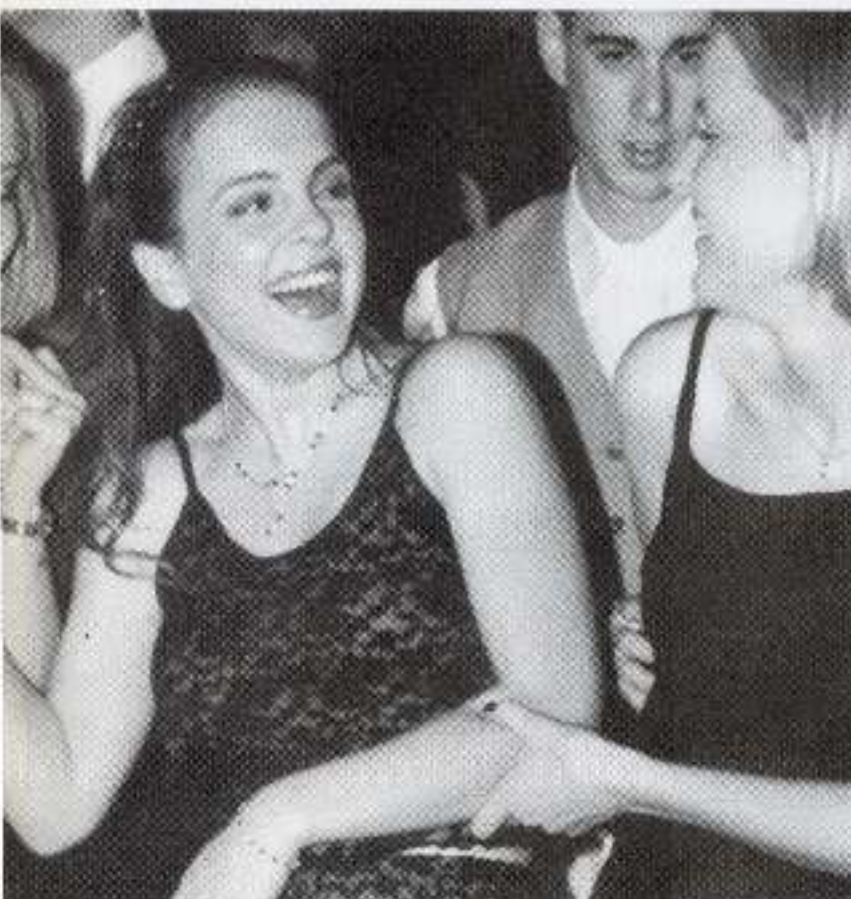


"The Holiday Dinner is a great way to get into the holiday spirit...it lets a lot of kids experience how wonderful it feels when you help someone...The dinner also helps the community as a whole have a chance to volunteer and help its neighbors."

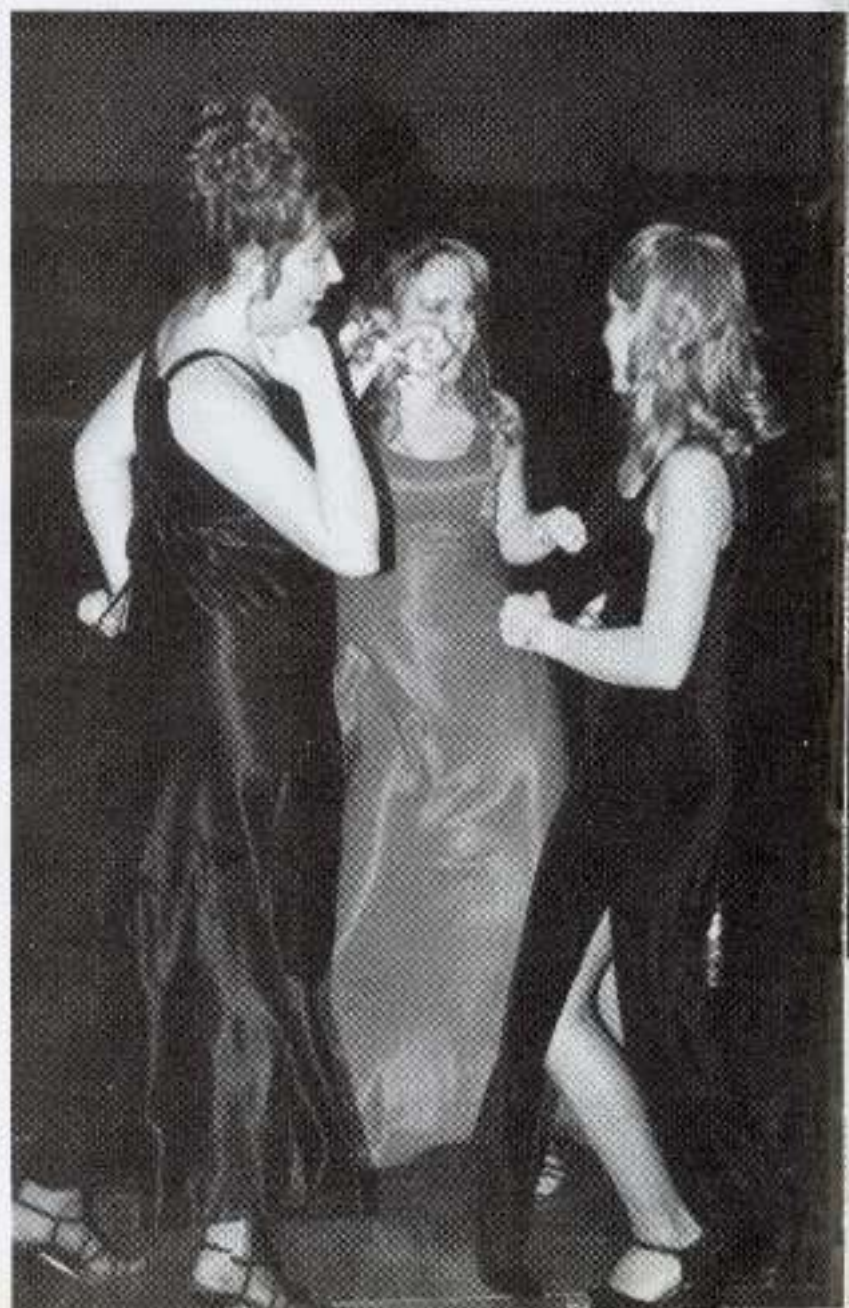
—Sophomore Jenny Bailey



Under the stars, seniors Jen Kelly, Danni Socha, Steve Margulies, and Marisa Barnett groove moves for hours on end.



She's having a ball! Serine Laurel Murray enjoys the Winter Formal.



Dancing the night away, juniors April Sanders, Desirae Bartlett, and Jesse Coleman bust one move after another.

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"I believe that the heart does go on..." Dressed to impress, about 250 students danced the night away at the Winter Formal. However, before dancing occurred, eating came first. The night started off with dinner from one of the five chosen restaurants—Hamburger Hamlet, The Pasta Grill, Red Lobster, Red Robin, and Macaroni Grill. Sophomore Michele Salas, who dined at the Macaroni Grill, claimed, "The restaurant was very romantic and mostly everyone there was wearing dresses and suits. It was really nice." While dining at Red Robin, junior Jessie Coleman recalled, "My most memorable moment was when my boyfriend brought a water gun and let Mike Bence sit in a sabotaged chair full of water. Bence was ready to kill!" After dinner, students gathered in the gym to take pictures before hitting the dance floor. While having fun, many students attempted different dance grooves. Senior Jonathan Rey enjoyed "...hanging out and dancing with my girlfriend and my friends the most, but the heat [in the gym] was unbearable!" As cool refreshments, punch and cookies were provided.

Before Winter Dance, the first Fall Dance was held on

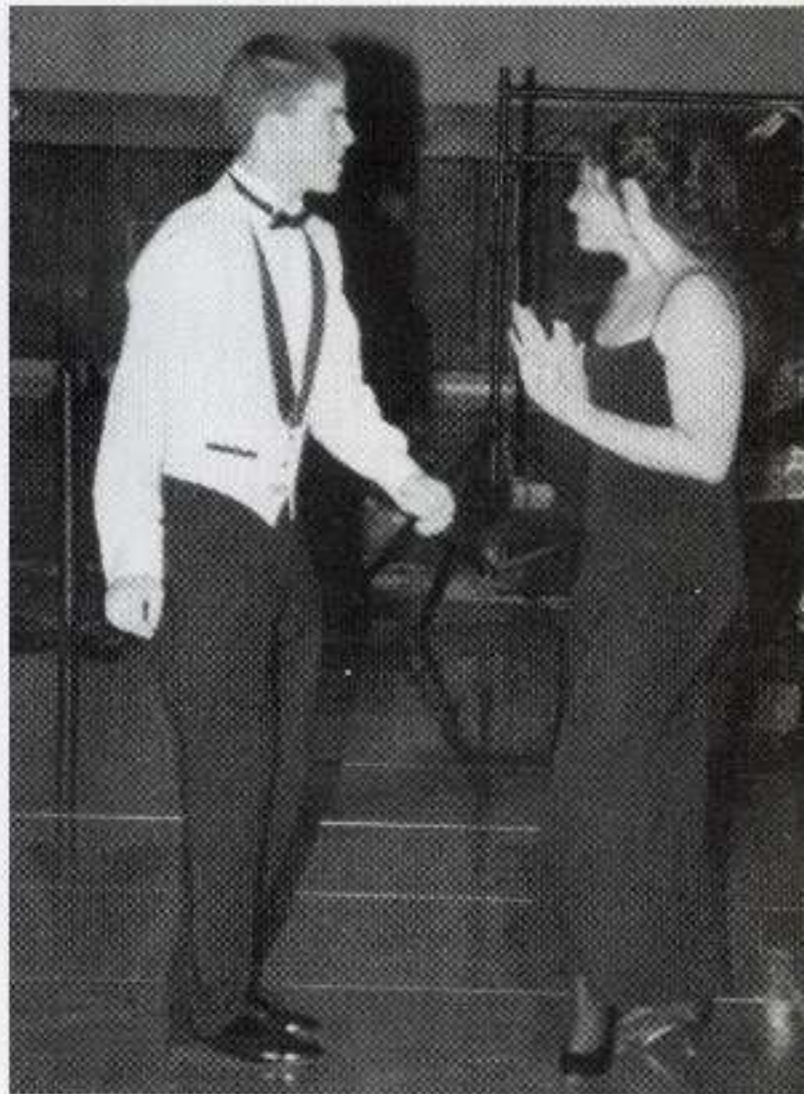
campus. Although not attended by many students, some had a blast. While there, students danced outside under Christmas lights. Moreover, Marie Callendar pies were served. Senior Leah Mendelson claimed the dance was "fierce because only about 150 people were there, many of who were my friends, and we danced the night away." Even though the dances had basic similarities, there were some differences. Junior Jennifer Vincent explained, "The Fall Dance was more laid back than the Winter Formal because it wasn't a date thing, it was more of a group event."

Behind the scenes was ASB. "We spent weeks preparing for both dances, as they are important social events. We probably emphasized the Formal more, but we worked hard on both! Hopefully we pleased the attendees." ASB treasurer Jon Terwilliger explained. Many students were pleased as they shared memorable moments that would last a lifetime. Sophomore Diana Gaines concluded, "I will always remember when the last song of the night was cut off [in the middle] and the lights turned on!"

—Lori Dzieciolowski



Sipping the drink that packs a punch, seniors Marie Fera and Erik Calzadillas cool down.



Dangerous on the dance floor, junior Chase Lambert and senior Stacia Crickshank boogie down.



As the unknowing victim, Mr. Gibbs (Ryder Brown) sits down to dine with the Brewster sisters.

Opening night: family night. Thursday night: friend night. No, this was not the fall special at Carrow's, but the fall play at school. At each performance of *Arsenic and Old Lace*, the audience contained a variety of people—some fans, some family, and some friends. Different audiences had different reactions to the performance. They watched a Friday night show in silence, but laughed continually

a little ol' murder

throughout the closing night.

The audience wasn't the only aspect that differed with the fall production. Once again, a new drama director, Mr. Coon, led young actors and actresses. Furthermore, a new location, the back of room P-1, transformed into a fancy living room, complete with a swinging door and spiraling staircase. Finally, new actors made their debuts.

However, rehearsals, held four days a week, three hours a day, eased anxiety to some extent. After all, once an actor knew his lines, he would feel more confident. On the other hand, Danika Sudik (character Abby Brewster) "forgot the same line over and over." Luckily, the other cast members were on their toes and covered for me.

Not only did cast members support each other, but also family and friends supported them. Hearing feedback from the audience satisfied most of the drama members. Moreover, during the two intermissions some audience members even bought water and soda for the actors and actresses backstage. When the curtain finally closed, family members took their gratitude a step further by presenting flowers and candy to the cast. Jaimie Hanson (character Officer Klein) commented, "I didn't get squat. Just kidding. I got big hugs and kisses. It was a spectacular play!"

Many agreed with Jaimie that *Arsenic and Old Lace* was good. After all, the drama department produced a show which included the basic three elements: comedy, murder, and romance. The unique set of characters—two old, wacky aunts, who poison men for fun; two lovers, who settle the Brewster craziness; one man, who believes he is President T. Roosevelt; and one convict, who travels with a "Dr. Einstein"—made the play what it was. Moreover, many remembered when "Mortimer Brewster got tied up," or when "Teddy Brewster pulled a dead body out the window seat," as sophomores Taylor Rasmussen and Mike Weinstein recalled respectively.

Although the drama department had lost the auditorium, "[People] liked [the black box theater] a lot better. Instead of sitting thirty rows back where the actors looked like fuzzy polly pockets, I sat seven rows back and felt involved with the play itself. I loved it!" raved Senior Christina Chao.

—Tiffany Martinez



Behind the scenes, stage manager, Corey Williams (top) prepares for the night's performance.

Setting the table for a peaceful dinner, the Brewster sisters (Danika Sudik and Eliza Hart, middle) explain to a bewildered nephew (David Knobel) why they are murderers.

Hoping their evil nephew Jonathan has left, Abby (Danika Sudik, bottom) and Martha (Eliza Hart) peer through the kitchen door in fear.



Such a darling couple! Mortimer Brewster (David Knobel) plans a proposal to his unsuspecting sweetheart, Elaine Harper (Christine Letizia).

behind the scenes of drama

The curtain dropped, the audience clapped, and the actors bowed. Another production of *Arsenic and Old Lace* came to an end, and the cast exited backstage. Before the performance began, the play had taken on a serious side; each actor tried to stay in character. Eliza Hart (character Martha Brewster) commented, "Before each show we would all hold hands and focus on our characters. It's not really something you'd understand unless you were a part of it, but it really helps the cast bond." David Knobel (character Mortimer Brewster) added, "The continuous antics of myself and the other cast members would have to be the most memorable and fun part of *Arsenic and Old Lace's* charm: from writing love declarations on the back of the set to reciting *Monty Python* movies, to lame attempts at humor."

After the play, the actors changed back into their day-to-day costumes and celebrated a successful performance. Some cast members ate midnight snacks at Denny's, while others hung out elsewhere. After closing night, sophomore Taylor Rasmussen hosted a cast pool party. For the most part, the cast worked well together both on and off stage.

—Amy Bagley



Behind the scenes, Amy Smith (police officer) looks disgusted as she discusses the morals and nature of the murderous Brewster sisters.

It all started with a sudden idea. Producer, director, and mistress of ceremonies Amber Thompson sat in Blockbuster Music one afternoon with her friend junior Steven Jones, when finally she hit upon the theme idea for the third annual production of Cabaret. "As the song 'Anything Goes' flowed through the earphones, I began to squeal to Steven telling him that 'Anything Goes' was going to be this year's Cabaret theme," recalled Amber. Because of the infinite number of possibilities the theme presented for performers, Cabaret proved to be a one-of-a-kind entertainment experience.

Song choices ranged from senior Georgia Boyd's emotion-filled performance of "Since I Fell for You" to freshman Eric Lawson's more comical version of "Gary, Indiana." Furthermore, senior Alex Truberg and junior Steven Jones' duet of the song "Guys and Dolls" was a favorite of soloist Kelly Krantz, who was impressed at how "...beautifully their voices blended and the way they really got into their characters." Besides the featured soloists, the show also included performances by both Hart Breakers and Sound Vibrations, who sang such classics as "Rent" and "Hail Holy Queen."

However, Cabaret was unlimited with a wide variety of song selections. Unlike its two predecessors, "Anything Goes" was the first student-run choral variety show. In mid-December, auditions were held. Winter break was spent putting together the script and deciding on the decorations. Those who sang solo acts practiced on their own and only one complete rehearsal was held before the actual performances. "I'd have to say that the hardest part of the whole process was organizing the set-up right before the show," explained associate director and master of ceremonies, David Knebel. But with the help of many crew members, the cafeteria transformed into a theater. Scores of family and friends attended the well-publicized event. Senior Jacy Elm was lucky enough to claim "a front row seat."

Memorable moments abounded throughout the performance including Hart Breakers' farewell presentation of flowers to choir director, Doug Williams.

Doubts over whether students could pull off the event soon disappeared. Along with many others, junior Andrea Carter described Cabaret as a "...magnificent success." Junior Julie Peltier concluded, "We have a lot of great talent at our school that I never knew existed. It's nice to see people that don't only have talents in sports."

—Melissa Petros

anything goes cabaret



Blowing their own horns, jazz band members Daniel Rosenboom, Tyler Roberts, and Jacob Hales perform before the show begins.

While passing out glittering "Anything Goes" programs, performer Eliza Hart cheerfully welcomes guests to Cabaret.

As the finale of the opening number approaches, seniors Cristin Covele and Amber Thompson, sophomore Leva Penney, and junior David Knebel enthusiastically dance the Can-Can.



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Starting the show, seniors Kelly Kevitz (top right), Alex Truberg, Peter Skipper, and Cristina Cavoto strike a pose.

"I want to be bad," senior Cristina Cavoto (middle right) vocalizes as she struts confidently around the stage.

What song did you perform in Cabaret?

"Get Me to the Church on Time."

What made you decide to sing the song that you did?

It's a cute little show tune... fun to sing.

I also got to use my Cockney English accent while singing the song.

What was the most memorable moment of the evening?

Probably the coolest thing happened at the very beginning. The Jazz Band took our theme, "Anything Goes", a little too seriously. Instead of wearing band uniforms, they came wearing overcoats and sunglasses. One guy came in a Japanese kimono!

How much time did it take to rehearse? What was a typical rehearsal like?

The acts were already finished by the time we had tryouts. Our one rehearsal was pretty much a chaotic mess. I did my English homework.

What were the advantages or disadvantages of having Cabaret be a student-run production?

The main advantage was that we students had a lot of creative control. We could decide what it would look like. The main disadvantage was the amount of work!
—as told to Melissa Petros

peter skipper



Playfully posed juniors Steven Jones (right) and Eliza Hart sing the theme song, "Anything Goes."



As regularly as brushing one's teeth and taking a shower, students settled into routines--whether they were roller hockey practices or Hebrew High School classes. Read about the students who established patterns on different days of the week:

days of our lives

monday



"I play roller hockey at the Santa Clarita Hockey Center. There are different leagues for different age groups. Our league has five teams playing this season," explained sophomore Brian Himmelfarb. A two year veteran of roller hockey, Brian played in games on Mondays, along with weekly practices. Citing no complaints about the activity, Brian remarked that the best aspect of hockey was "...getting better and playing games that you want to win. It gives me something fun to do during the week, besides watching television or playing Warcraft II on my computer."

With strength and agility, sophomore Brian Himmelfarb wrestles the puck away from the opponent.

"I spend time on gymnastics at cheerleading as well as at the gym. I go about two hours a week to the gym, but I practice gymnastics at school whenever possible," described freshman Faviana Francisco. Faviana did not only practice gymnastics on Thursday, but also on weekdays at cheer practice. Faviana, an experienced gymnast who executed front hand springs, fulls, and layouts for eight years at Santa Clarita Aerials, loved "...the sense of accomplishment" that came from her hard work. Even though she had to sacrifice "time with friends, dinner with the family, and time for myself, the end result [was] great and worth every bit."



"And this is my friend, Dan," says sophomore Dikla Tachman of her fellow Hebrew High Schooler. Dikla introduced Dan to the audience at a Hebrew High play.



Balancing on the high beam, freshman Faviana Francisco holds her precarious position for all attending the competition to see.

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Students, such as sophomore Dan Monteleone, learned to translate such phrases at Hebrew High School in Los Angeles. Although Hebrew High lasted three hours every Tuesday, Dan considered the time commitment well worth the effort because "...I receive foreign language credit and I learn a whole new language." Dan enjoyed "...talk[ing] to my Hebrew-speaking friends [because] only they understand." However, one drawback was "...I have no time to talk on the phone or do homework until about nine at night."



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A dancer for nine years, junior Joanna May studied ballet, tap, jazz, modern, and hip hop dancing since she was eight. Although a dancer at heart, Joanna explained, "My dream of dancing professionally changed, and I decided to focus academically back [on campus]." Although Joanna chose to "sacrifice a social



Kick 'em high! Junior Joanna May executes a perfect high kick.

life, when I look back on my time spent, I [realized that] I wanted to dance rather than attend other activities." Joanna studied jazz and tap at Dance Studio 84 and taught a tap class for junior high students on Wednesday nights. "Like any sport, the time is mandatory for practice and bettering one's skills. And if one is passionate about his sport or art, the time spent is well worth the expense."

wednesday

Photo chemistry, negatives, proof sheets, test strips. These elements were part of a photography class at Cal Arts that junior Allee Thilking attended. Although Allee reveled in "...capturing something normal and making it appear



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beautiful," she detested "...the chemistry that produces negatives that smells funny, stains your skin, and becomes messy." In addition, Allee disliked the fact that "...I don't always get my shutter speed and exposure time right, and the greatest photo op won't even show up on the negatives. Another aspect that Allee regarded with disfavor was that "a lot of time my studies for school get neglected, and I can't spend time exercising every day."

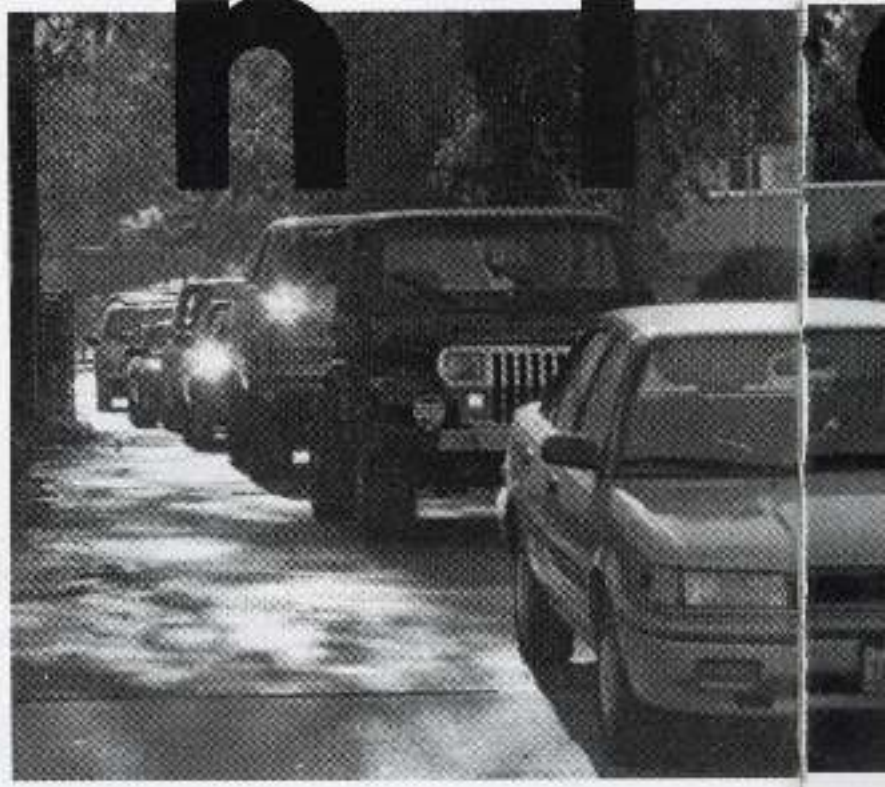


—Leona Kwon

Point, shoot, click! With the expertise attained from her Cal Arts photo class, junior Allee Thilking carefully positions her camera at her subject.

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Girls in pigtails. Boys in Osh Kosh.

Where did they go?

Four years we lived through the high school experience. Four years of work

and sweat, parties and fun, AP tests and football games.

We were eighteen with jobs and bank accounts, voting privileges and drivers licenses.

We fought and argued, laughed and joked,

cried and grieved within each other's midst.

We were seniors, one in heart. And though the years ahead might have scattered us to many different places,

we would always have our memories of these four years to bring us together once again.

—Holly Nicol and Candice Park

what being

Some seniors, such as Kristin DiAngious, choose to study...

Being a senior meant fighting for parking spaces with the juniors. Being a senior meant taking four classes and leaving school at lunch. Being a senior meant knowing what the Career Center was for. Most seniors were distinct from the underclass. They had the pressure of applying to college and knowing that this was their last year together as a class. No longer the "babies" of the school, seniors had risen through the past four years. Now acquainted with the "ins" and "outs" of high school, students anticipated graduation,



as a senior means

...while others choose to have fun.



when they would leave the days of high school behind them. "Being a senior means to buckle down and finish your high school [career] so you can move on," expressed Chris Lessing. "Being a senior is knowing everything there is to know about high school while knowing nothing about anything else," stated Derek Huang.

When they were freshmen, the class was new to high school, unsure of where to go and who to be. They had a senior class to follow. Anna Kuberry commented, "One of the disadvantages [of being a senior] is that there are no older students to give advice on homework and projects like Mrs. Lund's thesis paper." As sophomores, the class had adapted to school, knowing which classes to take and what teachers to have. As juniors, they started preparing for college and their senior year. Now, as seniors, they became role models for the underclassmen; at the same time, they were getting ready to enter the adult world. Anabel Jara concluded that "...being a senior means growing up mentally, because [we] can [no longer] grow up physically."

—Amy Bagley



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Diana Adamson



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Kelly Allen



Timothy Allison



Farid Amirfarzaneh



Francisco Andriano



David Andrizzi



Neil Apeles



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Ivonne Arriaga



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Jeremy Bixler



Daniel Blackburn



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The SAT. The mother of all tests. The four long hours nearly every student anticipated with dread. One student made the sacrifices that it took to slay the SAT dragon. "It was sort of unbelievable. I didn't expect it at all," commented Walther Chen on his 1600 on the SAT. "I was in Washington D.C. at the time," he explained, "I called home to check with my mom, and she told me I got a 1600. I was really surprised." His goal was "...to get over a 1500. 1600 was a stretch."

How did he do it? Practice, practice, and more practice. "I took some SAT prep classes from an institute called ACI," Walther stated. "For about a half a year, I went once a week on Saturdays to do practice tests. I also studied vocabulary." His previous score, a 1480, improved by 120 points the second time he took the SAT. However, a perfect score on the SAT took more than just practice. "Read, study vocab, get a good night's sleep, and don't guess indiscriminately," Walther advised. Furthermore, the *real* breakfast of champions was not Wheaties, but "...Raisin Bran and an apple."

With the large amount of time and effort he put into his studies, Walther still managed to have time to enjoy other activities. He played the piano, as well as the violin and the clarinet. In addition, he read science fiction books.

Walther was motivated to "...get into a good college." After graduation, Walther hoped to attend Harvard, where he planned on majoring in Physics. Harvard became his first choice because of the "...nice campus, a good academic program, and the people [who] are motivated." Without this kind of dedication, Walther probably would not have slain the SAT dragon.

—Cheryl House



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Georgia Boyd



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Anabel Briere



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Christopher Browning



Erin Butler



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Jeffrey Caravetta



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Amanda Cato



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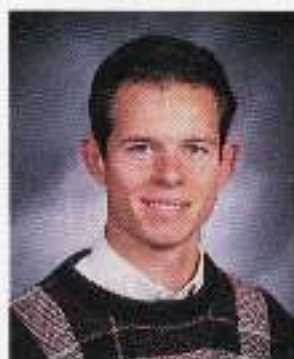
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"To infinity and beyond..." thought the class of '98 as seniors soared into their last year of high school. While still considered adolescents, many seniors had to make some difficult choices about their future. Choosing the right college was one of the main priorities on a senior's mind. Bethanie Campbell applied to Pepperdine University "...because of its great educational programs."

On the other hand, not all seniors looked for the educational aspects of college. Kyle Foss wanted to go to San Diego State University because it is close to the beach and he "[planned] on majoring in girls, parties, and...business."

into the future

Planning for

college was not all fun and games. Financial aid and scholarships were some of the key necessities for seniors applying to college. Timothy Allison, who planned to attend Chico State, said, "Money is a big issue. Since the money is coming out of my pocket, I'm limited to where I can go." Some seniors, like Garrett Payton, decided to save money by attending a community college. Garrett said, "I've decided to go to USC to save my parents some money. Don't be fooled, that's the University of Santa Clarita [COC]"

Besides going to college, many seniors chose different paths for their future. Some decided to join the work force, while others chose to enroll in the military. Russell Reasoner wanted to follow in his family's footsteps by joining the army. Russell stated, "My brothers, my father, and even my grandfather were all in the army! It's a tradition."

Choices shaped the future for the class of '98. Where they went and what they did were determined in the years to come. Yet, though the futures differed greatly, seniors chose the path they took.

—Lori Dzieciolowski



After attaining an ACT assessment packet from the counselors' office, Brian Whitmore prepares for college testing.



Studying between classes, Anabel Briere keeps up her grades to impress colleges.



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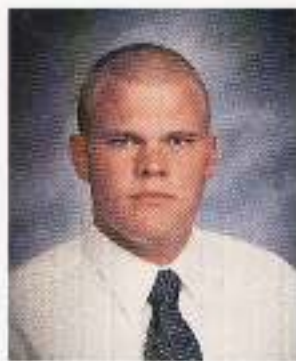
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Natalie Holtz



Shelby Hoover

Imagine having your best friend with you at the same school, in the same classes, in the same sports, and even in the same family! That was exactly how life had been between cousins, Anna and Kellie Nordhagen, who became inseparable. "She is the one who has stuck by my side all the way," commented Kellie. However, this close relationship was bound to have a few squabbles in the past. "When we were toddlers, we fought constantly--biting, slapping, kicking, punching, you name it; even to the extremes of biting ourselves and blaming the other," remembered Anna. Although the biting and slapping stopped long before their high school years, friendly ribbing still went on.

Though being together constantly had its difficulties, it also had its perks. Anna appreciated the financial advantages she received from having family in school. "The 'family tie' just insures us that if one of us forgets money. At school we can get money from each other, no questions asked." Likewise, Kellie enjoyed the support from her cousin. "It is like having your best friend with you all the time during school,

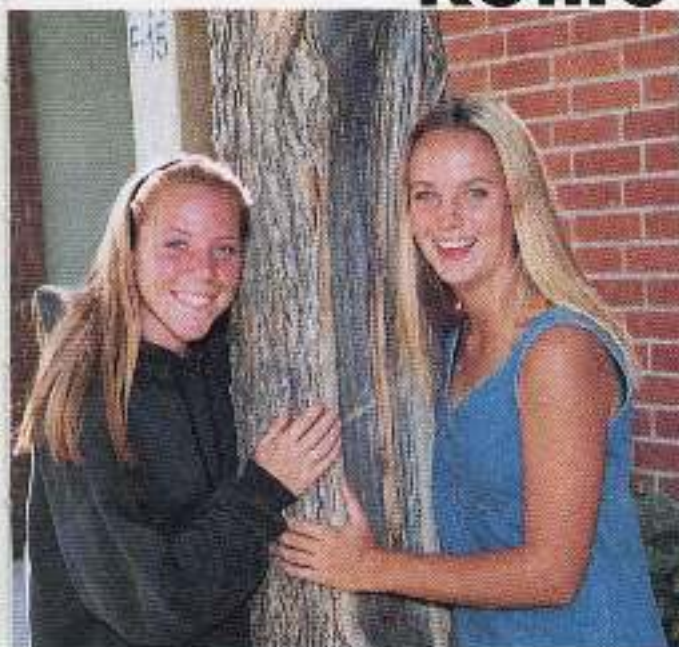
kellie and anna nordhagen

then after school for practice, and then together for barbecues."

Throughout the years, these two cousins had made decisions which had affected their lives. One of Kellie's major choices was "...to play soccer and softball." She also had expectations for "... playing one [sport] in college."

Knowing each other for so long created a few fond memories. For Kellie, it was "...winning the 12 and under softball nationals in Washington." In addition, Anna recalled one of their past arguments as her most memorable remembrance between the two of them. "I was up in a tree. Kellie was yelling for me to come in, but I didn't want to. Eventually, Kellie was outside throwing cans at me. After a few blows with the cans, I jumped down and ran for the door to the house. Kellie caught up to me and we threw each other down the stairs. Kellie [ended up] with a skinned knee and I hurt my shin. If you ask me, it was bossy, impatient Kellie's fault." Nevertheless "blood is thicker than water" and both cousins knew that their friendship would last a long time. Anna summarized, "Me and Kellie are basically best friends. Being related is just a plus."

—Jen Jen Chen



Saman Hossaini



Kevin Howard



Kimberly Howard



Derek Huang



Pamela Hunnicutt



James Huntington



Nancy Hwang



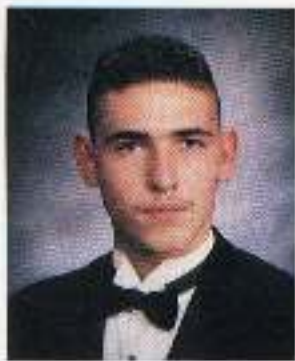
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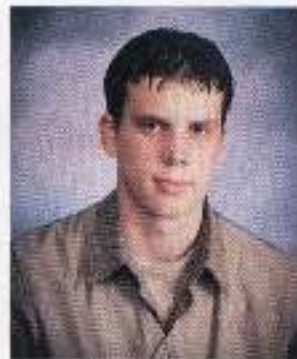
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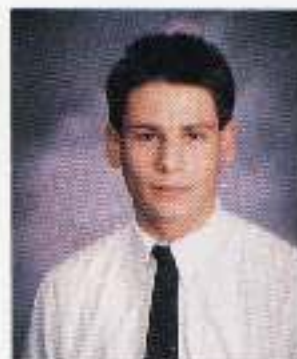
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Mimi Lee



Peter Lee



Anthony Leonardi



Laura Lecne



Chris Lessing



Ikela Jimenez



Jennifer Johnson



Ryan Kaplan



Adam Kasper



Cori Koch



Bo Koebel



Daniel Ledesma



Charles Lee



Andrea Letamendi



Christine Letizia

best eyes



mr. acuvue
and
ms. optiview

chandler
peck
and

jennifer
kelly

most creative



pablo
picasso
and
georgia o' keefe

eric
gardner
and
melissa norton



"Spending more time in the hallway outside my classes, after being kicked out, than I did I inside them."

—Brandon Wallace



"I would have to say that my most embarrassing memory was the day I made the varsity soccer team. I had to parade around the school all day with half a soccer ball on my head, an embarrassing shirt, and embarrassing clown make-up. Every time I saw one of the varsity girls they would blow their whistle and I would have to get on my knees and praise them."

—Holly Martin



"I'll always remember getting locked out of Mr. Klinger's government class after I [was] only a few minutes late. I could never forget him calling us 'hardies' worthless pieces of snot."

—Natalie Bledsoe

"I'll forever remember the bathroom situations before the new gym. Who could forget waiting an entire brunch period to use a toilet? What about the inch-deep bacteria infested muck that suffocated the tile floor, or the broken floor locks, or that one often had to use a post-it note for toilet paper? What a nightmare!"

—Jennifer George



"It was my 10th grade year, my only friends...were in the 12th grade. It was on a Saturday night. We had spent all day surfing in Carpinteria in an epic swell. That night, we were camping and as I watched the stars and the moon, and the waves crashing on the shore, I realized what life was about...friends, family, and love. I still live by those words today."

—Steve Margulies



Nikolas Lew



Joshua Lewis



Vouy Ley



Jennifer Liechti



Marc Lirag



Brian Lombardo



Victor Lopez



Selene Luengas



Juan Luis



William Luna

"Visiting the morgue for an anatomy field trip and getting the chance to hold the human brain."

—Hayley Jones



"I'll remember freshman basketball and AP classes and, of course, Mr. Mansfield. Okay...Hello, my mom had him when she was in the eighth grade!"

—April Wallace



"I'll always remember when Bryan Piolatto made the half court shot at the [gym opening] rally."

—Tommy Norwood

top 10 most memorable moments



"Well, I wore this chicken-suit to my junior prom, and when we got there they were serving chicken, so me & Colin Mapp (the soon-to-be-named prom king '97) protested by chanting 'Down with KFC!' and urging other students to try the steak instead."

—Jeremy Bixler

"Field Science went on a whale watching field trip on a small boat...I started to feel a little queasy. I attempted to go to the back of the boat where the rocking was to be minimized, but as I headed...towards the back of the boat it was too late. I ran to the bathroom and saw the night before's dinner...the vomiting virus started. One by one I saw field science members hanging their heads off the side of the boat 'feeding the fish.'"

—Diana Rifeid



—compiled by Candice Park

Scene 1, Act 1

The stage is set up for a magic act. Props line the stage.

Danny Davey enters stage left.

Danny: Hello, and welcome to the Magic Castle. My name is Danny Davey and I'm a junior member here.

An audience member rises and shouts to Danny.

Audience Member: How did you get in?

Danny: I practiced. Every day you practice, you get better; you can't get worse. So, now I'm about 1000 times better than from the day I started. It's just how many days I put into it, staying up late nights practicing and throwing cards.

Danny performs, and the audience applauds as he exits.

Scene 2, Act 1

A small, black box theater. Danny sits among a group of students off to the side of the stage.

First Student: What plays have you done?

Danny: I have acted in *The Murder Mystery Dinner*, *The Night Thoreau Spent in Jail*, *Our Town*, and *Arsenic and Old Lace*. I also directed a one act, *WASPS*.

Another Student: Why do you act?

Danny: Theater is an escape of how you can get out of everyday life and become unreal on stage. It's using my imagination and if you don't work on it to keep it, you'll lose it. Imagination creates things that can happen, whereas fantasy create things that are non-existent. So, when you're on stage it's using every bit of imagination you have.

Same Student: Are you going to do this the rest of your life?

Danny: I want to major in theater in college and become involved with theater and film. Now, let's start this meeting of the drama club.

Danny picks up a piece of paper, addressed to the vice-president of the Drama Club.

Scene 3, Act 1

Ten years from now. Danny stands on stage of a large theater. Curtain rises as he begins his lines. Lights fade out.

—Amy Bagley



danny davey



Heather Mac Nair



Katie Mackin



Sara Maitland



Christopher Maker



Maria Maldonado



Moises Maldonado



Megan Manning



Erich Marbach



Carla Marchionda



Steven Margulies



Enrique Marquez



Holly Martin



Hope Martin



Erik Martinez



Hector Martinez



Mary Martinez



Tammy Masalonis



Davina Mathews



Jake Mathews



Kristen Matter



Cory Mc Cabe



Penny Mc Donald



Matthew McKee



Tyler Mc Kell



Ryan Mc Mullen



Brian Meck



Edi Mederos



Guillermo Medrano



Roberto Medrano



Douglas Melton



Leah Mendelson



Martina Mendez



Rosa Mendoza



Rudy Mendoza



Nicky Mercado

best smile



mr. colgate
and
ms. aquafresh

neil apeles
and
vanessa vazquez



Kristian Meyer



Michael Miles



Brian Moran



Rachel Morrison



Holly Nicol



Roger Noble

best singer



frank sinatra
and
whitney houston



peter skipper
and
amy smith



Edward O'Hare



Briana Oborn



Glendy Orellana



Irais Orosco



Amanda Millner



Jaime Mintun



Jose Molina



Jason Moller



Luke Moore



Nancy Moulton



Lauren Murry



Kris Nanson



Emily Neeley



David Neill



Anna Nordhagen



Kellie Nordhagen



Melissa Norton



Thomas Norwood



Kerry O'Brien



Michelle Ohana



Luis Oliva



Solomon Olmstead



April Olson



Patricia Olson



Cary Osborne



Greg Ottaviano



Keeli Paden



Eduard Panaitescu



John Panlener

How did you react when your parents told you that you were moving to Santa Clarita?
I had very mixed feelings when they told me that we were moving. Obviously, I felt awful about leaving all of my friends and not being able to graduate with the people that I grew up with. On the other hand, though, moving was like a fresh start. I could take with me all of the things I like about myself and leave the rest behind.

How does Hart compare to your old school?

Most aspects of Hart High are very similar to my old school, Castro Valley High. The campus is equally nice, but one thing about a new school is that there are no real 'memories' yet. At Castro Valley High, I would be reminded of past events and people in my life on a daily basis. I'm sure that's the way most seniors here feel about Hart.

What was it like to be the new kid your senior year?

Being the new kid was actually quite enjoyable—I received a lot of attention that a generally shy and quiet guy would not get. The people here were so nice that I didn't really have much trouble making friends.

How did you handle a difficult move your senior year?

I think that this was actually a fitting time to move. During my junior year, I experienced a lot of frustration and a general 'down' feeling that lasted most of the year. Moving was just the cure for that. I must admit that my senior year has been one of my favorites so far. The only problem is that I don't really feel like a 'returning senior,' but rather a 'beginning freshman.'

How have you gotten involved at Hart?

I've joined the Sound Vibes and I've challenged three AP classes—Government, Physics, and Calculus. Outside of school, I've joined a rock/jazz/funk band for which I play rhythm guitar and keyboard. Having things to do really made the transition easier since I wasn't always thinking about my old school and could focus on my new one.

—as told to Kristen Matter

alex truberg



Amie Pappas



Elyse Parkinson



Annie Parr



Allison Paul



Tiffany Paulson



Chandler Peck



Cristin Peiffer



Froylan Pelayo



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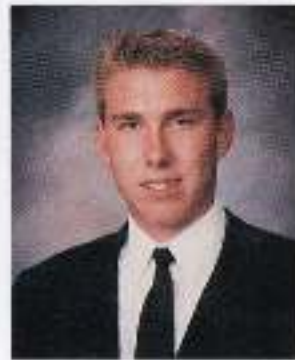
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Melissa Pollack



Kristi Ponce



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Jonathan Potes



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Ryan Price



Eduardo Provincia



Gina Provost



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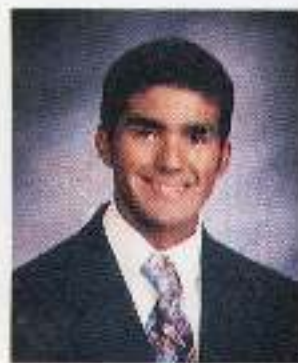
Diana Rifold



Sandra Rivera



Kurt Rizkovsky



Eric Roach



Tyler Roberts



Brandon Robles



Michelle Rodriguez



Susan Rogers



Natalie Rollins



Lizeth Romero



Donna Rooney



Alberto Rosas



Yessica Rosas



Melissa Ross



Sandra Rotim



Christopher Rubio



Paul Sachdeva



Amy Salloom

"We had basketball together [and] we had to run and it was muddy. She [Mayra] did not see the puddle of mud ahead from where she was running and fell in the puddle. I thought she would get mad, but instead we laughed together all that day," Ademi recalled. Her muddy, but fun experience with her cousin Mayra was an example of their relationship which also continued in the friendship with Ademi's sister, Patricia.

"Our relationship is very close, I care for my two cousins [Ademi and Patricia] like they were my sisters," Mayra continued, "I have gone to school with them...since they came to the United States." Ademi and Patricia left their home in Mexico and joined Mayra in the ninth grade. But though these three were only united three and a half years ago, they formed

patricia, mayra, and ademi teran

between them a bond, which had lasted through their years. Besides sharing the same house and living within a close knit family, these three, as Patricia stated, were "...always and everywhere..." together. "We always spend time together in school and outside of school," stated Ademi. "Where I go, they go with me," Mayra reflected. From Magic Mountain to family vacations, Mayra, Ademi, and Patricia enjoyed their experiences. They viewed themselves as "best friends" and found each other doing many things that best friends do. "We usually think the same on many occasions," told Ademi. Patricia added, "We like the same music." "We like to dress the same," Mayra ended.

For them, this was the last year they would be in school together, sharing classes and humorous gym experiences. They enjoyed being cousins, they enjoyed being best friends. However, though their circumstances might have changed, Mayra was positive about one thing. "I believe we will always keep in touch wherever we go. We will be friends, cousins, sisters forever."

—Holly Nicol



Janeth Salvador



Angela Sanchez



Israel Sanchez



Teresa Schilling



Heather Schramm



Lesley Scribner



Jennifer Seal



William Seidel



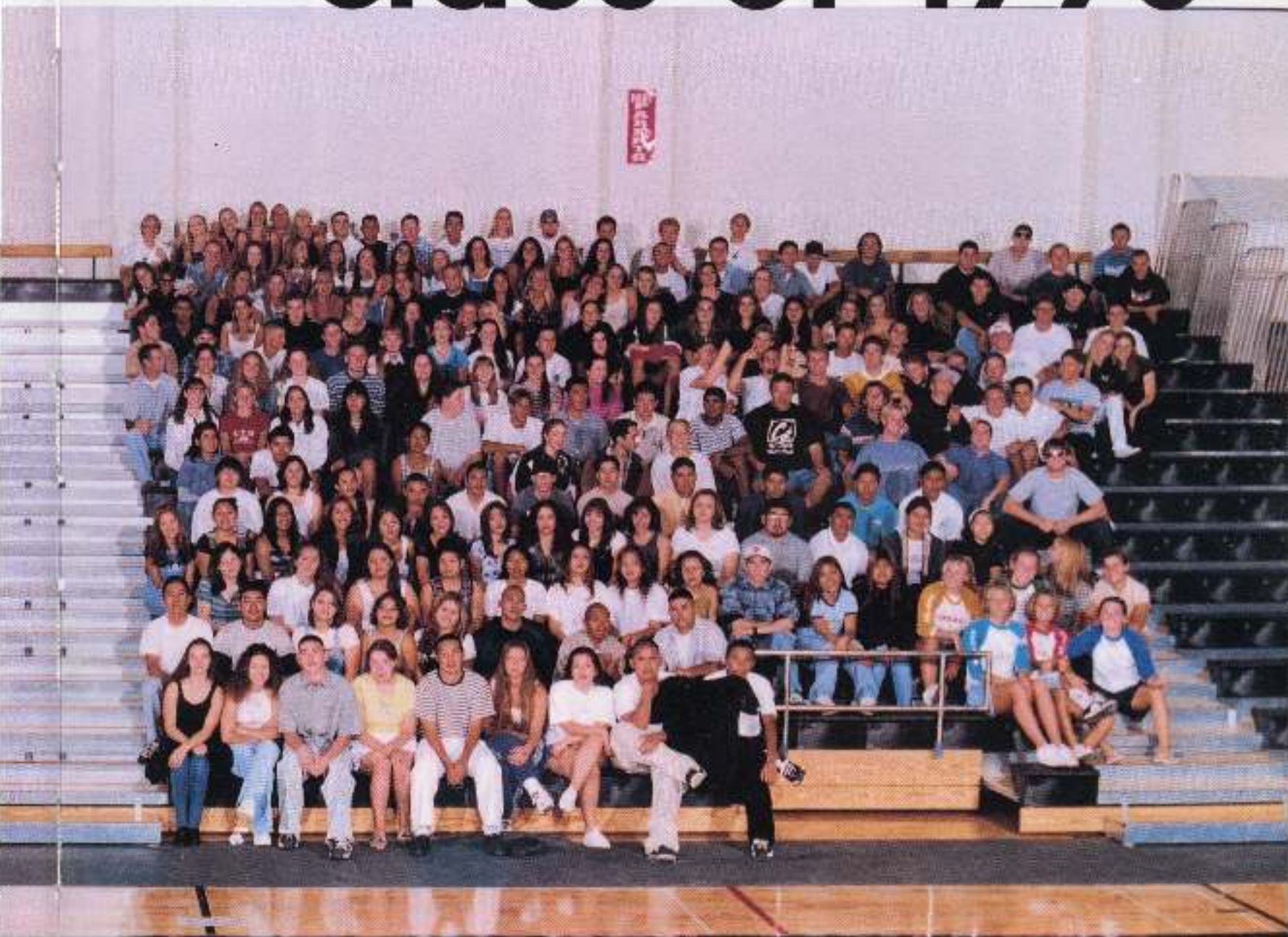
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class of 1998





Jennifer Sheck



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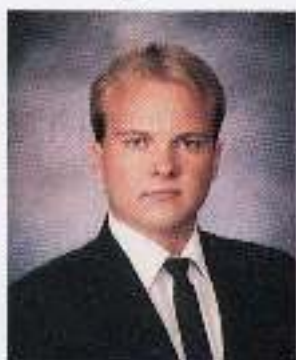
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Peter Skipper



Nathan Small



Adam D. Smith



Adam M. Smith



Amanda Smith



Scottie Smyres



Diana So



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Sara Solano



Andrea Spence



Stephanie Stark



Jennifer Steinwart



Brandon Stevens



Tamara Stirber



J.T. Stotts



Diane Stucker



Brian Stuka



Matthew Stump



Amanda Stupar



Danika Sudik



Becky Sindermann



Ashlee Skinner



Amy Smith



Charlie Smith



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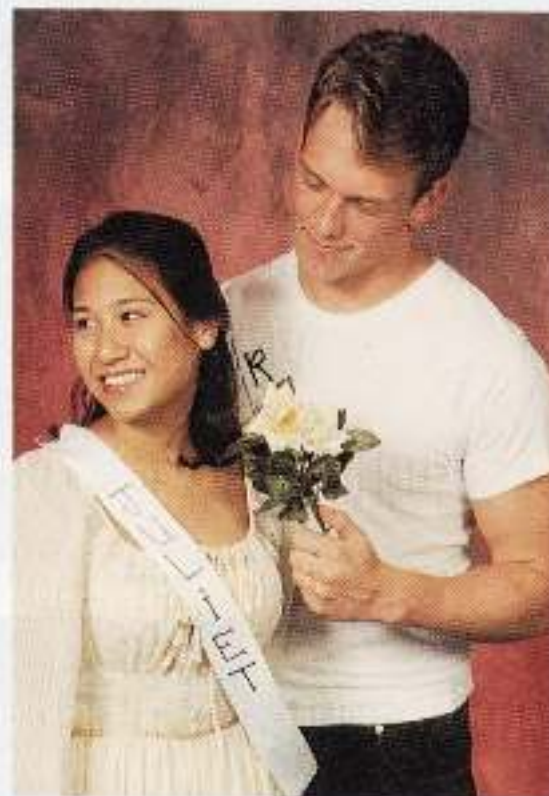


brandon
wallace
and
taryn stuart



best couple

romeo
and
juliet



brent
benaway
and
kim ho

Are you good friends with [your uncle, Mr. Mercado, the counselor]?

Yeah, we're pretty tight. I talk to him a couple times a week just to see how he's doing.

Describe your family.

We're always together, doing stuff together. If I got a football game, everybody comes, the whole family. They pretty much support me pretty good.

Do you practice with your dad? Does he play baseball?

He just helps me out. He used to wrestle.

Oh, in high school?

Yeah, in high school and in college. He was a PAC-10 wrestler at UCLA. My little brother wrestles too.

How old's your little brother?

He's about 14. He's like third in the nation right now. He's really good. My brother wrestles for two wrestling clubs.

And you have two sisters...

I got two sisters. My older sister played softball when she was in high school. She played at COC. And my other sister, she played softball. Now she's a trainer for Saugus High, for the varsity team. We have competition in our family, too.

Who are your closet friends?

Nate Small and Mike Bence.

How long have you guys been friends?

For about four years, since high school. I've known Nate since I was little because me and his older brother Scott used to play T-ball together. I've known them for awhile. I met Mike in the ninth grade.

How would you describe your personality?

I'm a pretty easygoing guy. I talk to everybody, don't hate anybody.

What other stuff do you do in your free time besides sports?

Snowboard, wakeboard, I fish with my dad.

Where do you go fishing?

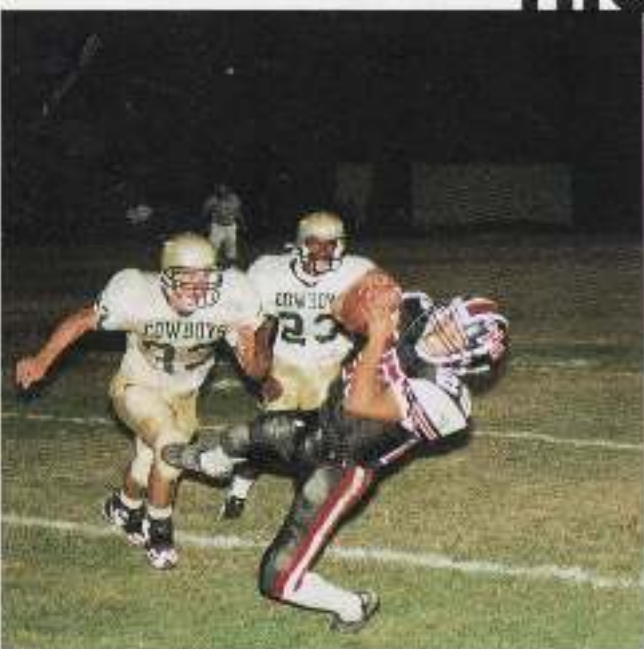
Usually up in the Sierras, up to Rock Creek, up to June Lake. We go deep sea fishing also. When you go fishing in the Sierras, it's beautiful up there. We just went last summer. There was still snow in the mountains.

What do you want to do the summer between high school and college?

I don't know if [I'm] gonna plan out [my] future, but [I'll] get started.

--as told to Leona Kwon

nicky mercado



Milind Swami



Adrian Tan



Sequoyah Taylor



Ademi Teran



Mayra Teran



Patricia Teran



Antoine Themistocleous



Amber Thompson



Angelica Thompson



Alma Tovar



George Tran



Maria Trejo



James Troost



Alex Truberg



Michelle Tutts



Robert Tuohy



Matthew Urban



Edwina Vaiaoga



Erika Vaiaoga



Jennifer Valentin



Jessica Vallerand



Michelle Vanasky



Jose Vargas



Melissa Vasquez



Vanessa Vazquez



Michael Vente



Martin Vera



Jessica Vernon



Jorge Villeda



Geoffrey Vnelker



April Wallace



Brandon Wallace



Melanie Warling



John Wasiel



Dimitri Watson

class clown

ricky
and lucy
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Shawn Weber



Nicolette Weinstein



Kyle Werych



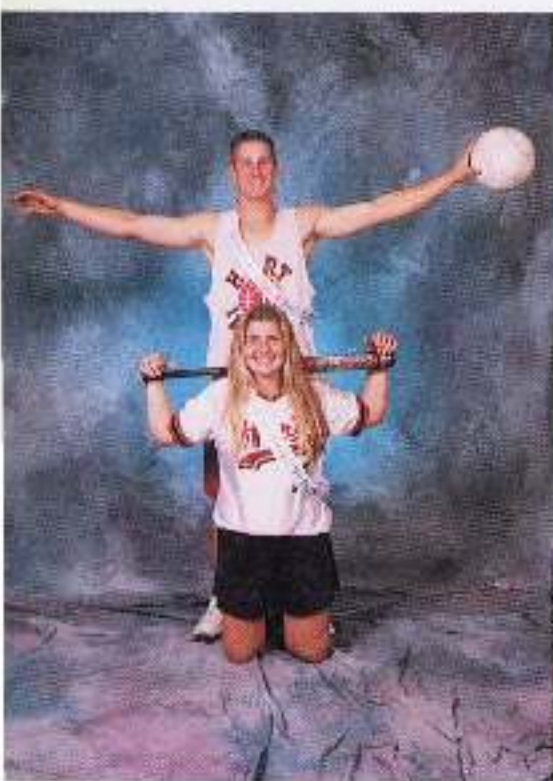
Jeremy Wheatley



Kelli White



Briana Whitmore



best athlete

michael Jordan
and
gabrielle reece



j.t. stotts
and
danni socha



Jefferson Whitmore



Brea Williams



Maegan Williams



Wendy Williams



Lisa Willingham



Trebion Wilson



Trevon Wilson



Daniel Winkler



Koby Winn



Adrian Wright



Christopher Wright



Luke Wright



Kimberly Wrinkle



Brian Wyatt

most likely to succeed

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and
oprah winfrey

walther
chen
and
jessica
henderson



best hair



paul
mitchell
and
helene curtis

james
troost
and
nadia haddad



Dawn Yetsko



Travis York



Mohamed Youssef



Kevin Zolriasatain



Tara Duffy

They came. They saw. They left. After spending another seemingly endless day battling their way through bustling parking lots and crowded hallways, the students finally took a night off to unwind at Q-Zar, the local laser tag headquarters. A noisy mob attended the organized school activity held on the second day of October. One particular group of students, however, towered inches above the rest, both in height and enthusiasm...the seniors. "There [were] a bunch of little kids running around..." pointed out Matt McKee, referring to the hordes of lower classmen who also took part in the festivities. Many arrived at the scene disheveled and sweaty, coming directly from cross country meets, volleyball games, and tennis matches. According to Bethanie Campbell, "[The tennis team] had just finished playing a match and decided to celebrate our victory at Q-Zar." Some were there



Under the Q-Zar spotlights, juniors Jason Cummings and Mike Castille of Burning Owen perform their song "Screening Silence."

shoots and lasers



Rage on! Rannie Gutierrez moves with the grooves amidst a crowd of wild onlookers.

merely to have fun and groove to the tunes of the live band, Burning Owen. "I [came] to hear the band play," stated Eric Gardiner. Others simply showed up to "...check out the place and see what was happening," as Nancy Moulton explained. Natural curiosity attracted the remainder of the crowd, many who had never before experienced the wonders of laser tag. Their mission included skillfully maneuvering through a maze of walls and obstacles without being tagged by a member of the opposing team. And, of course, a few freshmen were zapped on the way over! "I got Top Gun...I'd go back!" Kurt Rizkovsky exclaimed after earning the highest score in his game. "Everyone seemed to be having a good time," concluded Bethanie Campbell.

—Georgia Boyd and Erin Butler

I am Hart High. I am fifty-two years old, named after a movie star. I am the new gym, facing the quad proudly. I am the auditorium, still waiting to be rebuilt. I am the portables, the F-building, and the cafeteria. I am the chain link fence surrounding the small gym. I am the weathered red lockers and the upper soccer field. I am zero period classes and after school clubs. I am sunlight filtering through trees; puddles and rivers from El Niño.

I am 2,257 students. I am the girl rushing to finish her homework before class. I am the boy trying to comprehend math problems. I am the driver showing off his new car in the back parking lot. I am the artist working on her portfolio. I am the girl fixing her make-up in front of a mirror and the boy putting on an old sweatshirt. I am the senior nervous about his college acceptance and the Junior nervous about her PSAT. I am the sophomore anticipating her first date and the freshman anticipating his first football game.

I am the new principal and the familiar teacher. I am the lunch lady selling chocolate chip cookies. I am the English teacher assigning an essay, the chemistry teacher demonstrating a lab, the social studies teacher leading a debate. I am the campus supervisor and the principal's secretary.

I am the Holiday Dinner, Rampage, and *Lil' Abner*. I am the long line for the bathroom and the nolsy crowd during passing periods. I am the boys' basketball team dressed in suits on game day. The Sound Vibes performer singing softly in class. The underclassman waiting for his mother beneath the marquee. I am pride and excellence. I am students entering the real world after four years of high school. I am alumni with degrees, careers, and families. I am students, buildings, faculty.

I am Hart High.

honors scholars...

seniors with 4.0 or above grade point average



Leigh Carlson
Genius is one percent inspiration, ninety-nine percent perspiration.
—Thomas Edison



Jessica Henderson
Whenever you feel like criticizing anyone, just remember that all the people in this world haven't had the advantages you've had.
—F. Scott Fitzgerald



Andrea Letemendi
That which does not kill us only makes us stronger.
—Aeneas Flux



Anna Kuberry
Heart, don't fail me now!
Courage don't desert me!
—Anastasia



Walther Chen
Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire.
—W.B. Yeats



Aron Himmelfarb
Nobody complains about all the fog. I know why, now: as bad as it is, you can slip back in it and feel safe.
—Ken Kesey



Christine Letizia
The reason angels can fly is that they take themselves so lightly.
—G. K. Chesterton



Peter Skipper
Sanity is the playground for the unimaginative.
—Anonymous



Elizabeth Frick
If I ever go looking for my best's days, after I won't look any further than my own backyard... because if I can't find it, I never really lost it to begin with.
—Timothy Galt



Jacob Hinder
Education is what you get from reading the fine print. Experience is what you get from not reading it.
—Anonymous



Derek Huang
Initiative comes to them that wait.
—Alex Delarge



Jennifer George
All that we have—and are—is a gift of grace to be shared.
—Lloyd John Ogilvie



Jacy Elm
I shall allow no man to belittle my soul by making me hate him.
—Booker T. Washington



Doug Melton
I am ahead... I am advanced... I am the first mammal to wear pants...
—Ed Vedder



Megan Manning
Anything not worth doing is worth not doing well. Think about it.
—Elias Schwartz



Holly Nicol
Come live with me and be my love, / And we will all the pleasures prove / That valleys groves, hills, and fields, / Woods, or easy mountain yields.
—Chris Markson



Kristen Matar
"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you; plans to give you hope and a future."
—Jeremiah 29:11



Maegan Williams
Life is a tragedy when seen in close-up, but a comedy in long-shot.
—Charlie Chaplin



Rob Crockett
If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen!
—Harry S. Truman



Nancy Hwang
I presume you're mortal, and may err.
—James Shirley



Andy Carabino
Murphy's Law of Goodby: "If you said, 'adieu' from a person you called 'plagium', to that person you're thereby a valid gathering of misgivings."



Nicolette Weinstein
Every path has its puddle.
—Anonymous



Jessica Vernon
How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God.
—1 John 3:1



Emily Neeley
Remember to Smile!
—Anonymous



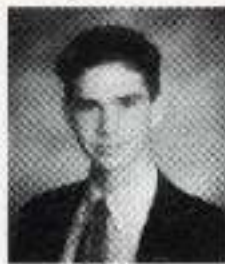
Kris Meyer
It at first you don't succeed, try, try again. Then quit. No use being a fool about it.
—W. C. Fields



Melissa Norton
Spinon is a biting thing, / But Truth, it cuts the flame of / If that we cannot use them both, / Possession is the one.
—Emily Dickinson



Greg Pitzer
The best laid plans of mice and men often go awry.
—Robert Burns



Rob Harris
The minute you settle for less than you deserve, you get even less than you settled for.
—Maurice Dowd



Anabel Bzere
The Meaning of life cannot be told, it has to happen to a person.
—Ira Progovit



Cameron Raudy
Always be a first-rate version of yourself, instead of a second-rate version of somebody else.
—Judy Garland



Christina Chan
I think I love a man's finest hour is that moment when he has sunk his heart out in a good cause and has substance at the head of battle, victorious.
—Vincent Lombardi



Holly Martin
I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength.
—Philippians 4:13



Neil Apelos
I have quotations. Tell me what you know.
—Ralph Waldo Emerson



Charles Lee
A man is but what he knoweth.
—Francis Bacon



Leah Mendelsohn
Experience is what we call the accumulation of our mistakes.
—Yiddish folk saying



Brandon Robles
The most decisive actions of our life—I mean those that are most likely to decide the whole course of our future—are, more often than not, unconsidered.
—Andre Gide



Koby Wira
"Superstar."
—Andy Warhol



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



Mimi Lee
I do not speak the minds of others except to speak my own mind better.
—Michel Foucault de Montaigne



Amber Thompson
Being cheerful keeps you healthy. It is a slow death to be gloomy all the time.
—Proverbs 17:22



Chris Davis
He who learns but does not think, is lost. He who thinks but does not learn is in great danger.
—Confucius



Pamela Hunnicutt
I hope if days ever take over the world and they choose a king they don't judge by size, because I bet there are some children with some pretty good ideas.
—Jack Handey



Tyler Roberts
It don't mean a thing if it ain't got that swing.
—Duke Ellington



Amy Bagley
I am an optimist. It does not seem too much use being anything else.
—St. Winston Churchill



Michael Durando
What is that? A madman. What is it? An illness. A disease. A way. And the greatest good is little outside of all life is dream and even the most common dreams.
—Pablo Picasso de la Torre



Paul Sachdeva
Huge means spending everyday in zestful expression of one's highest self.
—Patch Adams



Jennifer Liechti
Perhaps living something is the only starting place there is for making your life your own.
—Alice Koller



David Neill
All righty then!
—Ace Ventura, Pat Detective



Kimberly Ho
The best way to make your dreams come true is to wake up.
—Paul Valery



Jennifer Bond
Everything that ever was is a song that is sung into existence.
—Forest for the Trees

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You were the one who stood in the spotlight
as you slid into home plate.

You sought success.

You loved the game when you heard the crowd go wild.

You left your opponent in a cloud of dust

as you crossed **the finish line.**

You knew choice not chance determines destiny.

You believed that if better is possible,

good is not enough.

You were the one who reached for the stars.

--Bauerle Renn and Annie Parr

scoreboard

33-0	Granada Hills
35-7	Thousand Oaks
18-14	Westlake
20-0	Palmdale
21-31	Loyola
38-28	Canyon
42-25	Valencia
55-14	Burbank
38-6	Burroughs
21-14	Saugus
42-20	Torrance
28-6	Palmdale
10-35	Peninsula

league games
CIF playoffs

With a firm grasp on the ball, junior Billy Brecht weaves his way around the Saugus defense.



simply the best

"We were said to be the worst team in Mike Herrington's era," declared junior Shawn Epstein. Because the **varsity football** team had only 14 returning seniors, 28 juniors, and three sophomores, many lost faith in the team. However, the team returned to beat the odds and dominate the league with nine victories. One of these victories marked the three Herrington coaches' 100th league win. "It's not just my win, it's all the coaches, all the past players, all the community," commented head coach Mike Herrington.

Early in the season, Fox Sports West 2 filmed the game against Westlake. Before the half, the Indians were down by eight but revitalized during half time. "We came back to beat [Westlake 18 to 14] after being down earlier. It was a great experience," recalled sophomore Jared Bazar.

Another game that attracted a crowd was the game against Valencia. Many students were eager to beat their cross town rival. "We stick together until the end and we never say die," stated junior Jason Laibl. Furthermore, teachers wore tee shirts—distributed by ASB—which mocked the four year old high school. Sophomore Pat Norton growled, "I hate purple." Although the Vikings expected a victory, the Indians came through to achieve a 42-25 win.

Overall, the "worst team in Mike Herrington's era" succeeded in winning league with a nine-one record. The team continued into the second round of CIF semi-finals after beating Torrance 42-20 and Palmdale 28-6. During the playoffs, junior varsity players moved up to varsity. Freshman Kyle Hollis played in his first varsity game against Peninsula in a slew of mud and rain. "I was nervous when I had to longsnap in the rain, but playing in the semi-final game was an honor."

Although the Indians were one game away from the finals, they experienced a loss of 10-35 to Peninsula. "Playing against a team like Peninsula in the rain was every football player's dream. Looking back at everything we have accomplished, I think we proved hard work and effort can help accomplish anything," said junior Scott Hunt.

—Annie Parr



As junior Kyle Buller puts a stop to the Westlake offensive drive, his teammate, junior Scott Hunt, looks on.

Cooling off after a brutal game, quarterback David Neill ices his tired muscles. The Indians triumphed over the Lakers.



John Harrison

What is the most important thing to you right now?

Having fun on the field and off the field.

What does football mean for you?

It's helped me out with my high school and given me some good friends. It keeps me in shape and maybe gives me a future.

Has anyone in particular given you a lot of support or inspiration?

Coach Houghton helped a lot. He's someone [who] explains to you what you're doing wrong and what to do right. He gives me encouragement and makes me work hard.

What do you think about on the field?

What I'm going to do afterwards. I think about anything but the game. If you worry too much, you don't play right. You just have to react.

Are you a leader or a follower on and off the field?

I guess on the field I'm a leader, but otherwise I fall in between.

What makes you a leader on the field?

I am the only returning starter and I kinda take the role. I try to be a leader. Some people follow. Some people don't.

—as told to Arnie Parr



Varsity Football: *Front Row:* S. Stead, R. Delgado, B. Brecht, S. Lavoie, N. Mercado, D. Andriuzzi, S. Epstein, C. Mostert, J. Bourg; *Row Two:* M. Henderson, C. Mistry, M. Grimes, M. Alba, J. Morales, C. Neilson, C. McCabe, N. Christensen, J. Perillo; *Row Three:* J. Bazar, C. Cetre, Coach Ahart, Coach D. Herrington, Coach Houghton, Coach M. Herrington, Coach Halovich, Coach R. Herrington, Coach L. Fiscus, N. Small, L. Moore; *Row Four:* J. Harrison, R. McMullen, J. Lyons, K. Bolter, T. Kirch, P. Norton, P. Doliinsky, C. Lessing, B. Benaway; *Back Row:* M. Bence, A. Milby, S. Hunt, N. Rasmussen, C. Lambert, R. Frost, J. Laibl, J. Owers, J. Barcus, D. Neill.

"The best thing about being a football player is hitting someone so hard that you knock them off their feet and they don't get up," taunted freshman Kyle Hollis. Most football players agreed that they "knocked them off their feet" this year. Both teams won League Championship with undefeated 5-0 league records.

"If you want to succeed in this sport you have to be determined, mentally sound, have good reaction skills, and a love for the sport," remarked sophomore Mike Weinstein. Freshman Jake Norton expressed his love for the game when he said, "I can sum it up in two words: playing football. That's the best part." Most players decided that dedication was also a prime aspect of doing well on the field. During the Loyola game, dedication was displayed by sophomore Chris Horton, who continued in the game after breaking his hand in an earlier defensive play. "I guess when you are on the field, the adrenaline rush is so strong that you can hardly feel anything," Chris explained.

Furthermore, certain camaraderie developed between most players, who agreed that a strong team bond was essential for being a winning team. Sophomore Brandon Montemayor elaborated, "Without the bond, we could have the best talent, but it wouldn't matter [because] we wouldn't be playing as one unit." For motivation, sophomore Stephen Hoffmann mentioned that during warm-ups, the junior varsity players often "...sang the Hockey Fight song to get pumped up."

Meanwhile, many frosh football

can't keep em down

JV scoreboard

34-0	Granada Hills
28-6	Thousand Oaks
18-13	Westlake
49-6	Palmdale
15-42	Loyola
28-7	Canyon
48-13	Valencia
2-0	Burbank
34-7	Burroughs
42-14	Saugus
league games	

frosh scoreboard

28-6	Quartz Hill
28-0	Thousand Oaks
34-12	Westlake
8-14	Palmdale
21-0	Loyola
14-0	Canyon
20-6	Valencia
35-0	Burbank
28-0	Burroughs
42-14	Saugus
league games	

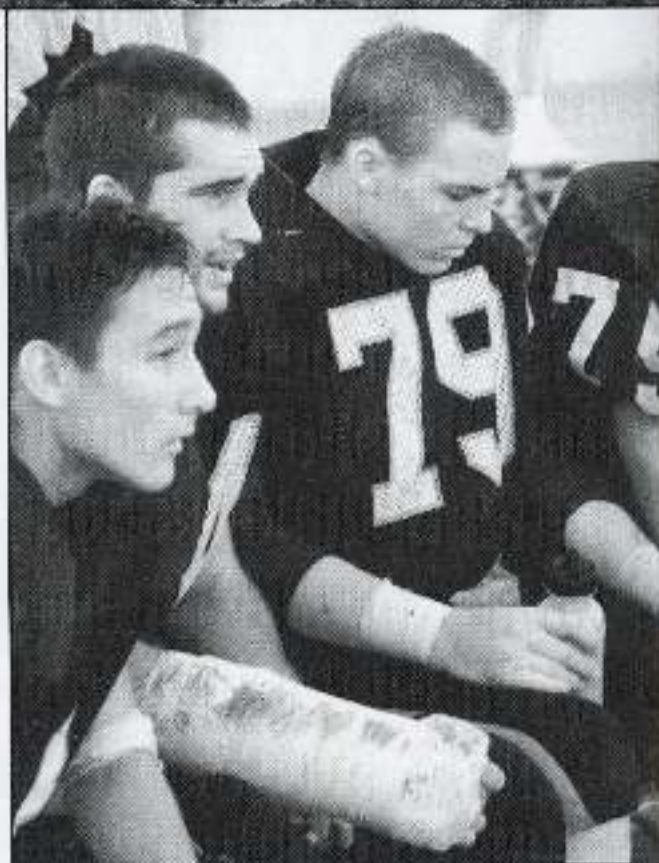
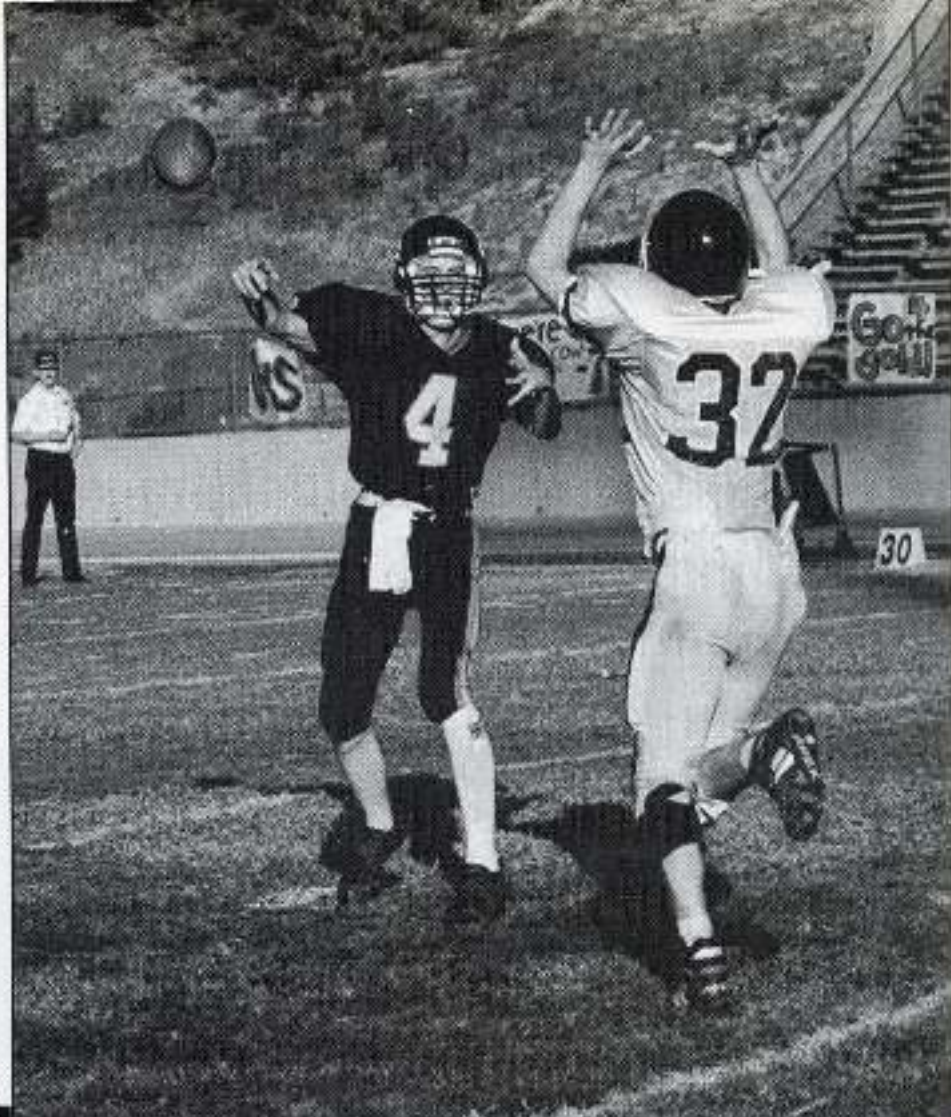
players thought of Coach Cota as their motivation. Freshman Josh Cummings joked, "If Cota had control of the sun, it would shine all day and night so that practices would not be barred from the night."

Other aspects of football were the "...long and hard practices," described by freshman Kevin Behnke, along with other hardships, such as "...the football pants you have to wear," added sophomore Ben Marino. Furthermore, many players experienced memorable moments on the field.

Freshman Josh Christensen remembered "...when my helmet got stuck to Canyon's running back first quarter because I hit him so hard." Freshman Travis Hetman recalled "...a guy tackl[ing] me and my pants [falling] down."

In the end, many players said they fondly remembered the crowd cheering, teammates bonding, and coaches yelling. But what drove both teams to win League Championships? Perhaps, it was the goal to meet achievements made by teams in the past. As sophomore Ryan McKendall pointed out, "It's great being part of a winning tradition."

—Kristine McDowell



While sophomores Patrick Thanterapioung and Matt Friedrichsen anxiously watch the game from the sidelines, sophomore Brandon Parr rehydrates and catches his breath. Sitting on the bench was a time of tension for some, but recovery for others.

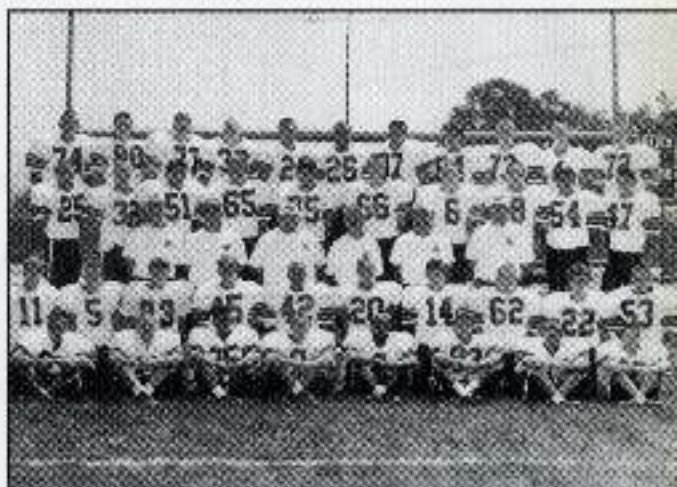
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Even dancing the YMCA won't help Canyon intercept this pass. Sophomore Travis Nicol managed to successfully throw the ball before the Cowboy brought him down.

During the Valencia game, freshman quarterback Kyle Matter hands off the ball to Chase Mendenhall. Their team effort proved to be a success.



Frosh Football: Front Row: B. Garza, C. Connors, T. Hamilton, L. Cruz, N. Blakley, T. Heberer, B. Cornell, M. Coleman, C. Kase; Row 2: D. Cheeseman, S. Garcia, C. Cannon, T. Helmar, S. Seidenglanz, R. Reyes, M. Miller, S. Sutton, J. Biby, J. Wollan; Row 3: R. Lafferty, K. Donoho, A. Tomitaga, Coach Cruikshank, Coach Coda, Coach Sees, Coach Ficus, C. Mendenhall, J. Cummings, V. Vandermey; Row 4: J. Hegge, B. Stuart, D. Weiser, M. McDonald, N. Ericso, J. Norton, S. Newman, F. Vela, E. Cruz, S. Whiteside, D. Raek, T. Hamilton; Row 5: A. Castruita, E. McBurney, J. Whitcomb, M. Silberman, J. Christensen, R. Rich, N. Yancey, B. Bestolotti, E. Anderson, K. Hall's, M. Brady; Back Row: E. Allen, P. Dabsky, C. Cagnon, J. Jorgensen, D. Pack, C. Burger, F. Hanges, K. Newman, K. Belzuke, K. Matter, S. Mast.



JV Football: Front Row: R. McKendall, R. Haag, C. Chavez, D. Delly, D. Banks, H. Bascjas, J. Decker, S. Legere; Row 2: B. Marino, K. Pritchett, C. Fuller, C. Horton, J. Sulceman, J. Aloisi, K. Bardin, E. May, M. Weinstein, S. Seagrave; Row 3: Coach Whitten, Coach O'Brien, Coach Thurn, Coach Ficus, Coach Calzo, Coach Inara; Back Row: C. Accone, J. Green, M. Bathke, T. Astius, C. Dierckman, F. Roessler, C. Carlson, P. Thantaphong, J. Kasari, T. Grignonou, T. Drömsky, B. Hamilton, G. Vandermade, B. Parr, M. Friedrichsen, I. Autrey, B. Montemayor, R. Usorio, S. Hoffmann, J. Nicol, B. McClure, D. Banks.

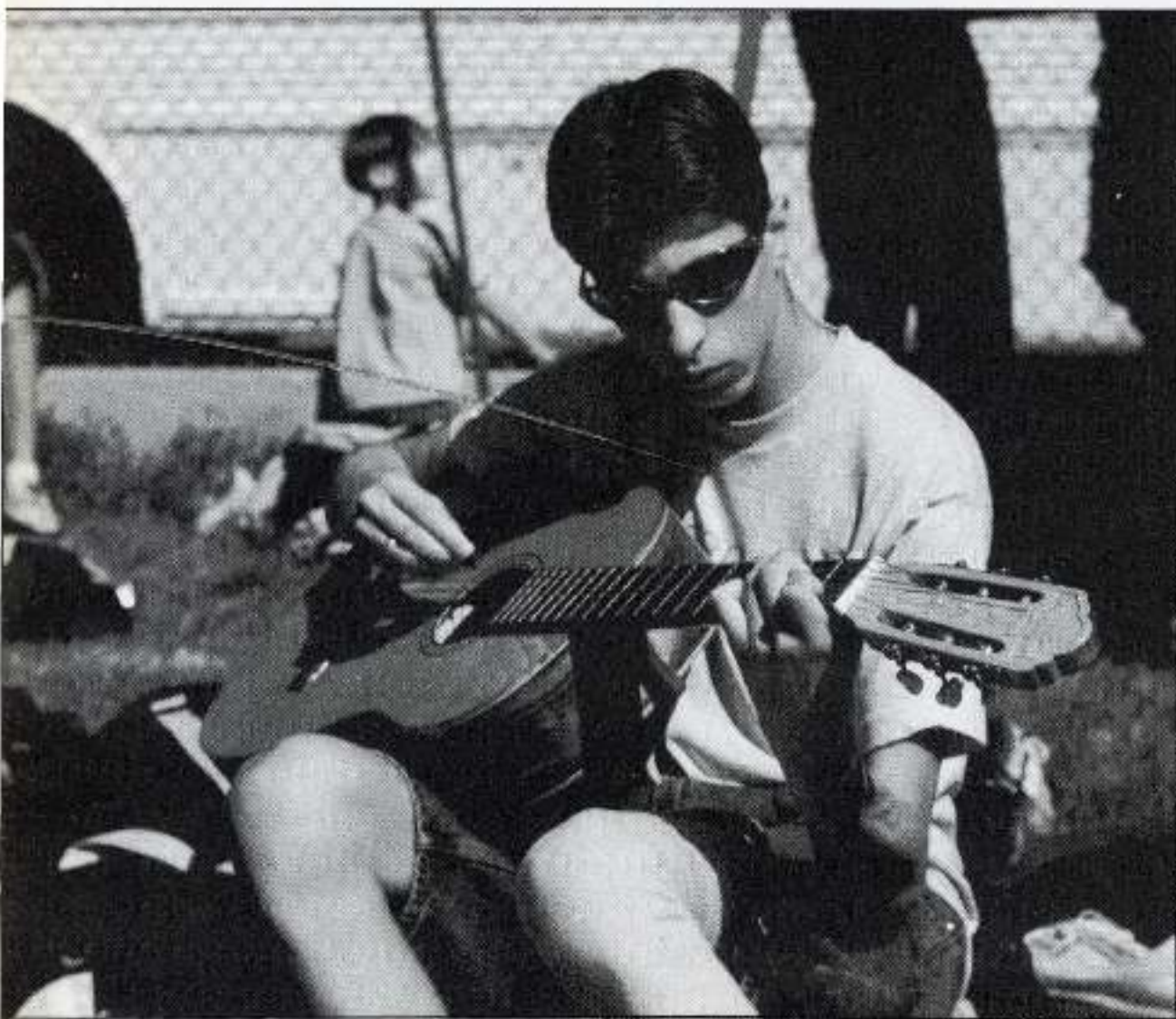
Pre-game pep talk from Coaches Calzia and O'Brien for the **junior varsity football** team:

"Hurry up! In ten minutes we're playing for the championship. It came down to this, just like we said it would. You're 8-1 right now; you can win the championship all by yourselves. This is what you wanted. This is everything a game is supposed to be. You have the greatest game of your life right in front of you. I know. I believe you are one of the best teams that ever played. I see it at practice. I see it in your eyes. I see it in the way you throw out there. You are ready to play the best game you ever played. All we gotta do is go out and do it. No matter what happens out there, it has been my honor to coach you this year. It has been a privilege and an honor I can never repay you for. Let's go out and do this thing. (Cheers) Gentlemen, big trains waitin' for ya right now baby. (Cheers) Take on the big train. We hear this about two championships in three years; I guess it's two championships in four years. I don't know what a Centurion is, but I know it's somebody who's gotta watch. They want to watch us win right now. (Cheers)" *The Indians went on to win 44-13 against Saugus.*

—as told to Annie Parr

locker talk





Strumming his guitar, junior Skyleer Ramirez finds time to enjoy the cross country meet. Runners used their spare time at meets to relax.

Varsity Girls' Cross Country: Front Row: S. Boyd, N. Moulton, W. Philips; Back Row: Coach Funk, Y. Curtis, A. Weitzman, A. Mendoza, J. Iwanicki.



The leader of the pack, junior Eric Pealman, bolts ahead of a Burbank runner, while junior Coby King catches up.

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Describe your season in a few words.

Nader: Tiring. I got better though.

Amaris: Fun, adventuresome, challenging.

Why cross country?

Nader: I started it because of a friend and then I just kept doing it.

Amaris: I've always been running. It's like in my roots.

What kind of bond does the team share?

Nader: We're pretty close.

Amaris: Yeah, we are. We have fun together...get in trouble together.

What do you think about while running?

Nader: I try not to think about the pain!

Amaris: How hard I've worked to get here. I know I'm ready physically so it's just mental from there on.

—as told to *Bauerle Renn*

over the river and through the woods

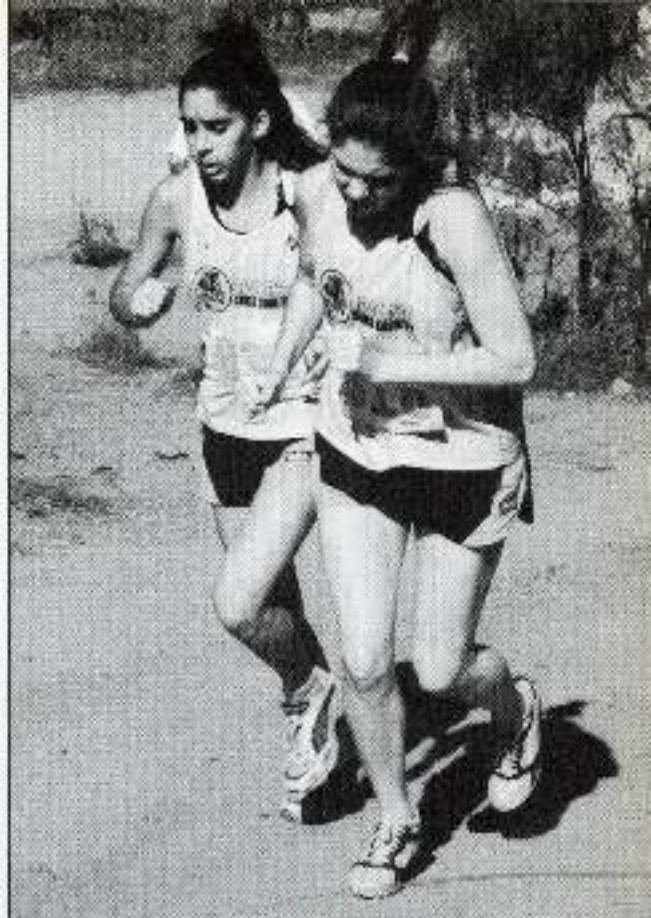
"He's going the distance, he's going for speed...because he's racing and pacing, plotting the course." As **varsity cross country** runners struggled up hills and sprinted across finish lines, anything from songs to "...who brushed the girl's hair in front of me," as senior Yvonne Curtis recalled, went through their minds.

Even though runners tried to entertain themselves while sweating it out, most counted on cheering teammates to keep them going. Most runners tremendously prepared for races, so when a race was lost the runners remembered harsh feelings. On the other hand, after a good race, senior Trevon Wilson "...felt as though I could run the race all over again."

Having spent an incredible amount of time together during team trip and training, some of the team shared a close bond. Some runners even thought of the cross country team as their family because they were with each other all the time, running, getting in trouble, and learning lessons. "Cross country has taught me to persevere and always try my hardest. It has also given me more self confidence," summed up junior Janetta Iwanicki.

Therefore, most freshmen, sophomore, junior, and senior cross country runners searched for ways within the team to find comfort and friendships. Most loved running even with the nauseous feelings after races and the pain while running. Still, many wondered, "Why cross country?" Junior Skyler Ramirez declared, "There's a lot of excuses for running, but there's really no reason. I just do it!"

—Bauerle Renn



"I know I can, I know I can!" Junior Janetta Iwanicki inches toward senior Nancy Moulton. Although they were on the same team, competition was apparent amongst runners.



scoreboard

12-3 Girls
8-7 Boys

Seaside Invitational
South Pasadena
Rosemead Invitational
Clovis Invitational
Foothill League #2
Mt. SAC Invitational
Foothill League Finals
CIF Prelims



Varsity Boys' Cross Country: Front Row: S. Ramirez, G. Peyton, C. Davis, C. King; Back Row: Coach David, T. Wilson, E. Peatman, N. Adawiya, H. Harris, K. Crookston.

Cross Country: *Front Row:* N. Endress, J. Cotton, A. Glenn, K. Ali, A. Blackburn, L. Kwon, R. Greiner, K. McDowell, J. Peyton, K. Racz, J. Orlich, A. Smith; *Row Two:* A. Jaramillo, B. Harris, B. Soo, A. Lucivain, L. Feldman, C. Dinh, N. Koskie, T. Wilson, B. Walker, K. Baker, L. Evans, K. Takahashi, S. Iwanicki, R. Garrard, J. Vanek; *Row Three:* J. Smith, R. Henry, F. Henderson, E. Schoenbaum, C. House, E. Butler, Coach Funk, Coach David, Coach Gilkey, S. Gilbride, C. Ramirez, K. Gonzalez, R. Mendonza, K. Waddell, E. Jackson; *Row Four:* J. Nelson, D. Romeka, P. Stanfield, J. Carvajal, J. Conzery, A. Burrelli, J. Bravo, L. Mercado, J. David, C. Rhudy, L. Murphy, F. Curd, A. Druckman, E. Lachman; *Row Five:* C. Delling, L. Rutan, G. Carvalho, C. Serra, A. Mendonza, J. Iwanicki, N. Moulton, W. Phillips, Y. Curtis, J. Lynch, T. Upham, H. Phelps, J. Hearn; *Row Six:* A. Barrios, A. Casper, N. Adawiya, E. Peatman, C. King, S. Ramirez, S. Boyd, A. Weltzman, G. Peyton, C. Davis, T. Wilson, B. Barrios, R. Gardner, K. Walls; *Back Row:* D. Blackburn, B. George, K. Meyer, E. Posthumus, C. Koskie, G. Boyd, K. Davis, J. Solano, D. Patterson, R. Bell, J. Hiscock, E. Legler, R. Tomnago.

scoreboard

15-0 JV Girls
 9-6 JV Boys
 10-5 Fresh/Soph Girls
 6-9 Fresh/Soph Boys

Seaside Invitational
 South Pasadena
 Rosemead Invitational
 Foothill League #1
 Raider Invitational
 Covita Invitational
 Foothill League #2
 Mt. SAC Invitational
 Foothill League Finals

Like the Energizer Bunny, senior Heather Phelps keeps going and going and going.



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"Cross-country takes stamina, endurance, intelligence, and guts," freshman Jamie Orlich remarked. The **junior varsity** and **frosh/soph cross country** teams began practicing on summer mornings and finished in the fall with after school practices, league meets, and invitationals. Practices consisted of distance runs ranging from three to eight miles, continuous intervals around Glen Park, and drills to improve a runner's stride and form. In addition, many

running wild

runners participated in swim workouts to increase endurance and weight lifting to gain strength. Though practices were sometimes long and tiring, they offered a chance to "take out all that school frustration," junior Lisa Murphy explained. Aside from practices and meets, runners enjoyed pancake

breakfasts, pasta feeds, and as junior Josh Hiscock remarked, "watching the Monterey sun set down by the bay [on team trip]."

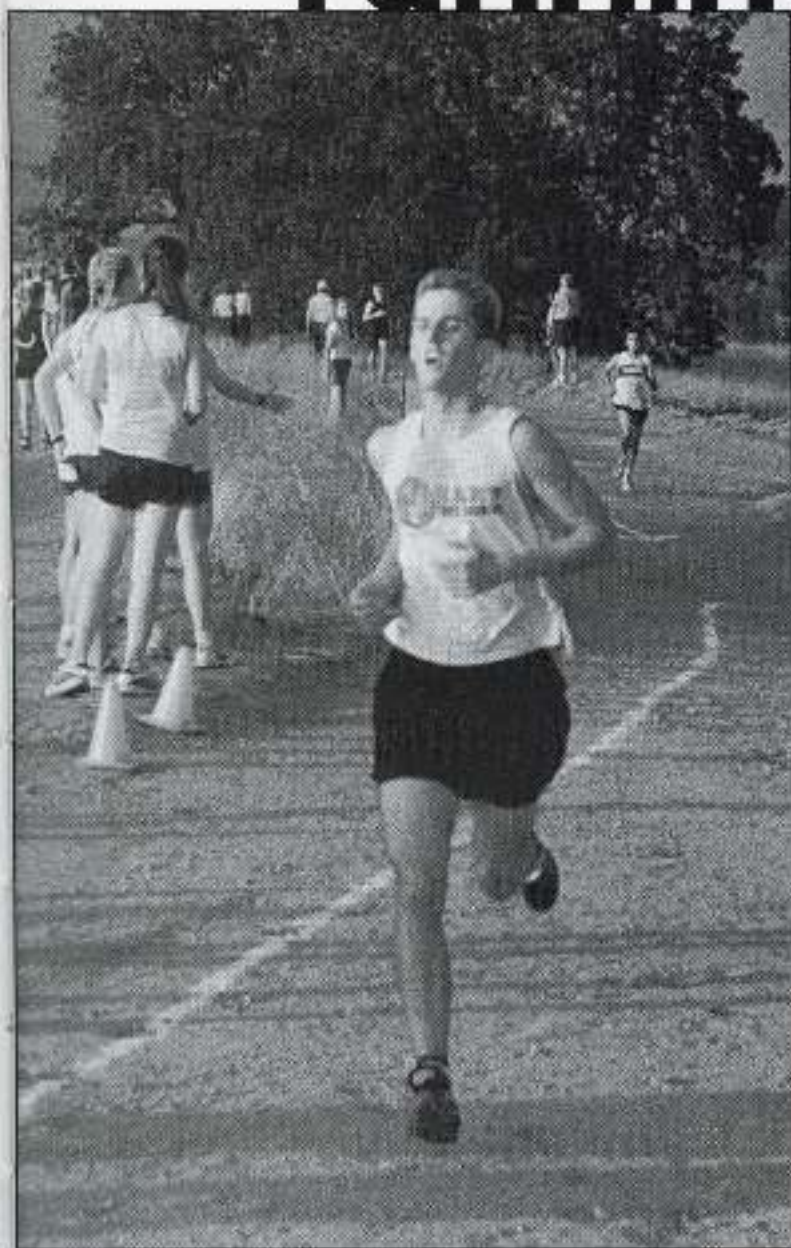
On a cool day in October, the cross country team started off the season atop the dusty hills of COC. Before the frosh/soph race, juniors did their best to frighten freshman by describing "killer hill." To many experienced runners, running up "killer hill" was like running up a wall. Later, after the race, freshmen Lucia Kwon and Carolin Dinh responded to "killer hill" and the juniors' many remarks. Lucia Kwon explained, "So many times they're like you're gonna die on that hill." Carolin Dinh continued, "I didn't know the hill was that huge. It's steep and long. It took forever to get to the top. It was the steepest hill I've ever ran up." Lucia added, "The [juniors] scared me before I even started running it." They were two of many freshmen to face the shock of "killer hill," many runners' worst nightmare.

At a COC meet against Canyon, Saugus, Valencia, Burroughs, and Burbank, members of the girls' jv team also encountered surprises on the rugged terrain. Juniors Erin Jackson, Billie Soo, and Emily Curd were shocked while focusing on the second mile of their race. Emily Curd described the situation. "We were running along and this gopher snake comes out from nowhere, and Erin and Billie and everyone started yelling. It was really cool and I was all, 'That's a gopher snake.' It was about four feet. And it was just amazing and I screamed just because everyone else screamed. It was a freakin' snake!"

While the season progressed, most freshmen met new friends and gained a love of running. As for the ten sophomores, they quickly adjusted to becoming the leaders for a dominantly freshman frosh/soph team. Lastly, most juniors took pleasure in teasing freshmen and pulling pranks on team trip.

As the cross country season came to a closing, the majority of runners agreed that running gave them "the chance to get in shape," along with the opportunity "to make good friends," as Dylan Patterson explained. These advantages made runners want to come back next year.

—Renee Greiner



With determination written across his face, senior Chris Koskie pushes himself to the finish line.



at a glance

Not only did they manage to sprint across the finish line, but also they performed well in league. "The first race wasn't what I expected," recalled freshman Janea Peyton. Nevertheless, the **frosh/soph girls'** cross country team scored second place in league. **Frosh/Soph boys'** cross country runner Josh Lynch hoped "... in my years to come [in cross country] I will have as much fun as I did this year." The frosh/soph boys snagged fourth place in league while the **jv boys** placed third. Coach Larry David couldn't help boasting that the league champs, **jv girls cross country**, ran through their races like "... a cake walk." At the end of the season, junior Keith Davis decided, "The best thing about cross country is the friendships gained."

—Bauerle Renn

Seeing their oncoming teammate, freshmen Kelly Gonzalez and Carolin Dinh clap and cheer wildly.





Ready for action, senior Pamela Hunsick prepares to nail the ball as Valencia sends a shot over the net.

With her eye on the ball, senior Kristen Angelous focuses on a mighty bump that made the Vikings shake in their volleyball shoes.



Do the hard work, the team's extreme opponents.



emily neeley

What do you like most about volleyball?

The feeling of working hard as a team, having fun. In our last game against Royal, the seniors knew it was going to be their last game so we just had a fun time.

Do you feel that you've improved during your four years playing in high school?

Yeah, in my sophomore year I changed positions and I got really down on myself when something went wrong. Seeing how that only hurt my teammates helped me to change. I made a goal at the beginning of my varsity season. I told myself I wouldn't get down on myself. That goal really helped me get myself together.

How is your personality different on the court?

I'm more comfortable being a leader on the court. In volleyball, momentum really counts so the team that talks the most, yells the loudest, usually doesn't give up. I [try] to encourage my teammates. If one person is down, [she winds] up bringing the rest of the team down.

What kind of sacrifices have you made because of volleyball?

I sing and I'm also in band. So, lots of times I had to chose between the [three]. I would choose volleyball because of my place on the team. Also with college, I couldn't decided between music and volleyball. Then, one day I just decided that I wanted to play volleyball.

—as told to *Bauerle Renn*

we dig it

Spike, set, and go for the gold. "Seeing so many awesome people working together to rise above the competition" inspired junior Megan Amorelli to participate in a winning season. The **varsity girls' volleyball** team brought their season to a close with a league record of 8-2 and an overall record of 14-5.

"The girls on my team are some of my best friends," stated junior Marcie Hollis. The friends and members of the team worked out three times a week, sparing little time for other activities. Their hard work paid off when they reached second place in league and went further in CIF than any other girls' volleyball team on campus.

After spending three practices and two games together each week, the girls of the team became friends. These relationships helped motivate the players. "When one person is having a bad day, you find a way of cheering them up," said senior Patty Plahn. "We do things for each other."

The season wasn't all fun and friendships; the focus was on fitness and skill building. Senior Pamela Hunnicutt explained that being a team member "...taught me how to work with others and join with others to succeed. I always give my best in sports and in school." Members of the team shared the new experience of being the focus of attention during CIF games. The team, which normally had little recognition, was recognized in a rally and around campus for its strong efforts.

The girls of the varsity team went for the gold. Practicing long hours and sacrificing free time for their team paid off with a season of 22 wins.

--Annie Parr

scoreboard

3-0	LA Baptist
3-1	Quartz Hill
3-1	Crescenta Valley
0-3	Highland
3-0	Village Christian
2-3	Louisville
3-0	Valencia
3-2	Saugus
3-0	Burroughs
0-3	Canyon
3-0	Burbank
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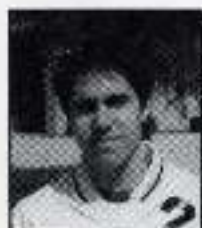
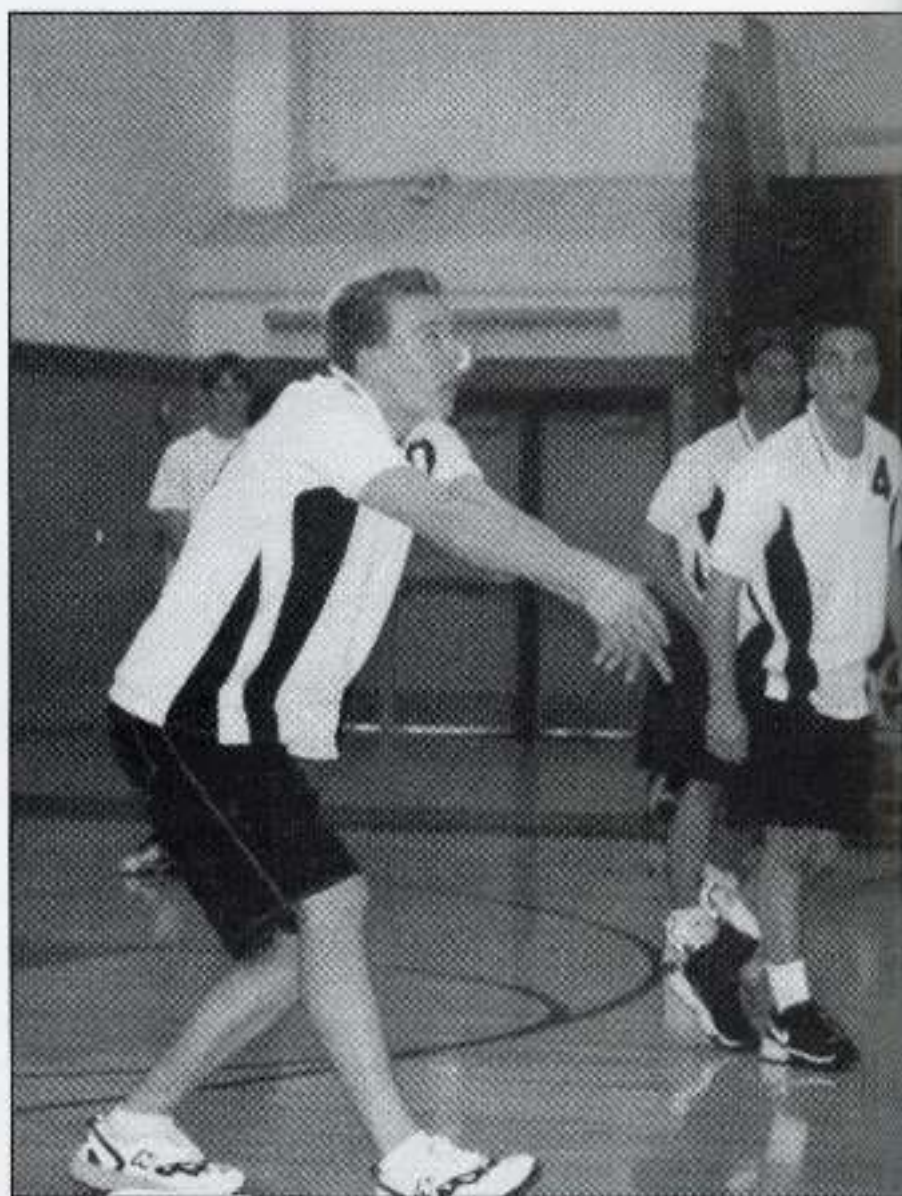


Do the hustle—Junior Christina Luce hurries to keep the ball in play. The team's dedication and skill created extreme competition for its opponents.

Varsity Girls' Volleyball. Front Row: J. Vernon, M. Amorelli, W. Cook, L. McPhail; Row Two: L. Ramos, M. Hollis, K. Di Angelous, K. Kahl, P. Plahn; Back Row: Coach Martin, C. Luce, E. Neeley, Asst. Coach Heidi, P. Hunnicutt, Coach Patrick.



Onlooking teammates hold their collective breath as senior Brian Gallegly squares off to bump the volleyball.



Brandon Robles

What is your role on the team?
I play setter. I make plays. I am responsible for the other people on the court.

What do you think about when you step out onto the court?

I think about playing my best and winning.

What is your greatest obstacle in volleyball?

The fact that outside of school, there are no other teams in this area.

When did you first become interested in volleyball?

When I was younger, I used to watch my sister play. I just picked up the game.

What are your plans and goals for this season?

To be a tough team to play and to have a successful season.

What is your favorite memory of volleyball?

Last year, when we played Canyon, we beat them in the first game of the match. It was the first time since I was [on the team] that we beat them.

What are your plans and goals for volleyball in the future?

This is probably my last year playing competitively, but I am probably going to play on club teams or intermural.

—as told to Jessica Hartman



Varsity Baseball: Front Row: S. Mejia, N. Christensen, B. Gallegly, H. Robles, M. Hansen, H. Young; Back Row: Coach Mouser, Q. VaVerka, D. Goss, C. Kroskie, S. Sanders, K. Dalton

Rising to the challenge, junior Bryan Sanders (below) flies high to give the ball a powerful spike

Poised on tiptoe, junior Sandro Mejia (far below) concentrates on hitting another successful spike.

spike out



"We show up, we stretch, we run, we pass, we pass some more, we hit, we pass again, we hit, we scrimmage, we run, we leave," senior Chris Koskie described a typical workout. Because of their intensive training, most players on the **varsity boys' volleyball** team had high expectations for their season. Junior Hunter Young declared that the entire team wanted to "win league, go undefeated in playoffs, and win CIF." A more important goal, however, was to simply enjoy their sport and unite their team.

Like all teams before them, they encouraged each other with rituals and chants. "We like to yell a lot. We try to stay in the game and keep focused, but we also try to have fun. Our chants are usually a big clap after a point or side-out followed by big stomps and wild remarks," shared junior Sandro Mejia. Much to the dismay of their cheering crowds, junior Bryan Sanders admitted, "Some of us don't wash our uniforms." Another tradition that could have strengthened or weakened the team was the arrival of a new coach each year.

Despite the rotating coaches, the team members remained close. After all, most of the team had been together during previous seasons, in which they became friends. Because of the comfortable atmosphere, the team was "very kickback," according to junior Mike Hansen. Junior Kevin Dalton agreed, "Instead of getting mad when we screw up, we just laugh it off. It's easier that way." Along with their team spirit, there was also "a lot of individual talent. You can't fake being a good volleyball player. Either you're good or you're not," stated senior Brian Gallegly.

And that skill determined whether or not the team would add another year on the plaque in the gym that boasted Foothill League Championships that hung in the gym. Junior Nick Christensen warned, "We only have three seniors [now], so watch out!"

—Dawn Melton and Kara Takahashi



Junior Mike Hansen bumps the ball back into the court and saves the team.

schedule

Royal JV Tournament
Saugus Varsity Tournament
Canyon JV Tournament
Saugus
Valencia
Canyon
Tournament of Champions
Saugus
Valencia
Canyon
Saugus
Valencia
Canyon
League



volleyball



JV Girls' Volleyball: *Front Row:* T. Coe, J. Burrows; *Row Two:* J. Evans, S. Copley, M. Seidenglanz, A. Olson, K. Hourigan; *Back Row:* G. Casillas, B. Stine, S. Davidson, Coach Rosenberg, B. Barlow, V. Cozway, H. Brigand.

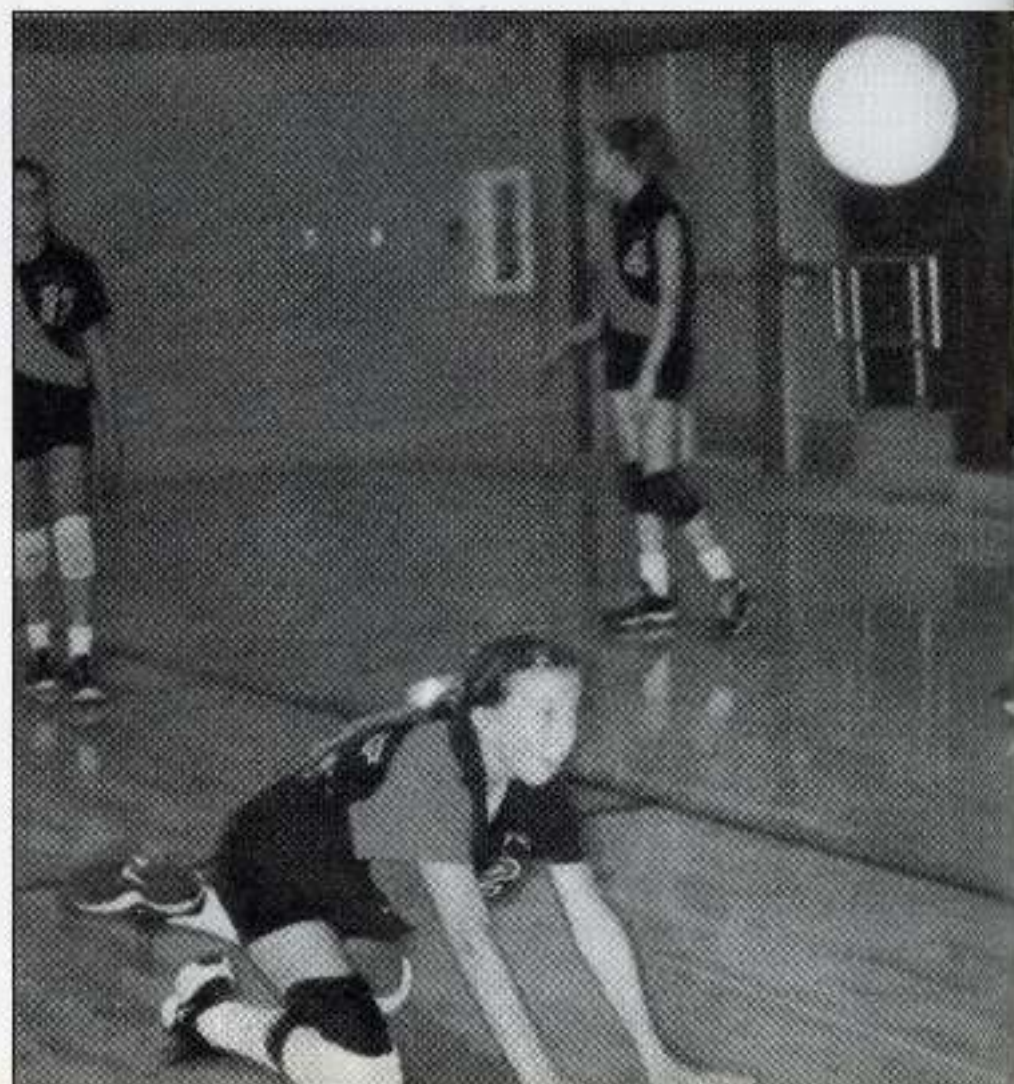


Freshman Girls' Volleyball: *Front Row:* S. McIntosh, A. Favari; *Row Two:* C. Boller, S. Holbrook, L. Burkhardt-Beyer, E. Martin, S. Dear; *Back Row:* N. Stuka, T. Nelson, R. Lombardo, Coach Cox, C. Hunt, L. Jenkins, J. McDonald.



JV Boys' Volleyball: *Front Row:* J. Christensen, T. Carlson, N. Kasie, I. Keen; *Row Two:* Coach Modugno, C. Smith, B. Horvath, J. Kurzius, C. Horton, C. Martinez, Coach Thurman; *Back Row:* S. Ramolla, C. Bermudez, R. McKell, I. Henderson.

1. Hit: "Hitting the ball down as hard as you can."
—Sophomore Kyll Hourigan
 2. Tip: "Where you barely touch the ball and place it over the net."
—Sophomore Megan Seidenglanz
 3. Dig: "When an opponent hits the ball down and you have to dive or get down real low to pass it back up."
—Sophomore Breanna Barlow
 4. Set: "Throwing the ball up so someone can spike it."
—Sophomore Chris Martinez
 5. Pancake: "When your hand is in between the ball and the floor when you try to dig the ball."
—Sophomore Ian Henderson
 6. Kill: "A hit that can't be returned."
—Sophomore Jason Kurzius
 7. Jump serve: "Throwing the ball up in front of you and hitting it while you're in the air."
—Sophomore Jenny Burrows
 8. Stuff block: "When you block the ball and it goes straight down in the court so the other team can't pick it up."
—Sophomore Brittany Stine
 9. Ace: "A serve that can't be returned."
—Sophomore Sara Davidson
- compiled by Billie Soo



spiking for success

"Our team could best be described as friends. We all got along really well and had a lot of fun," commented sophomore Valerie Conway. This sense of team unity, along with commitment, determination, and skill, helped the **ju girls' volleyball** team clinch the Foothill League title.

Demanding practices of nearly three hours every day included conditioning, hitting, serving, and passing drills. "Basic skills is the main focus. The worst part [of practice] is doing jump-squats or suicides when we miss serves," explained sophomore Breanna Barlow.

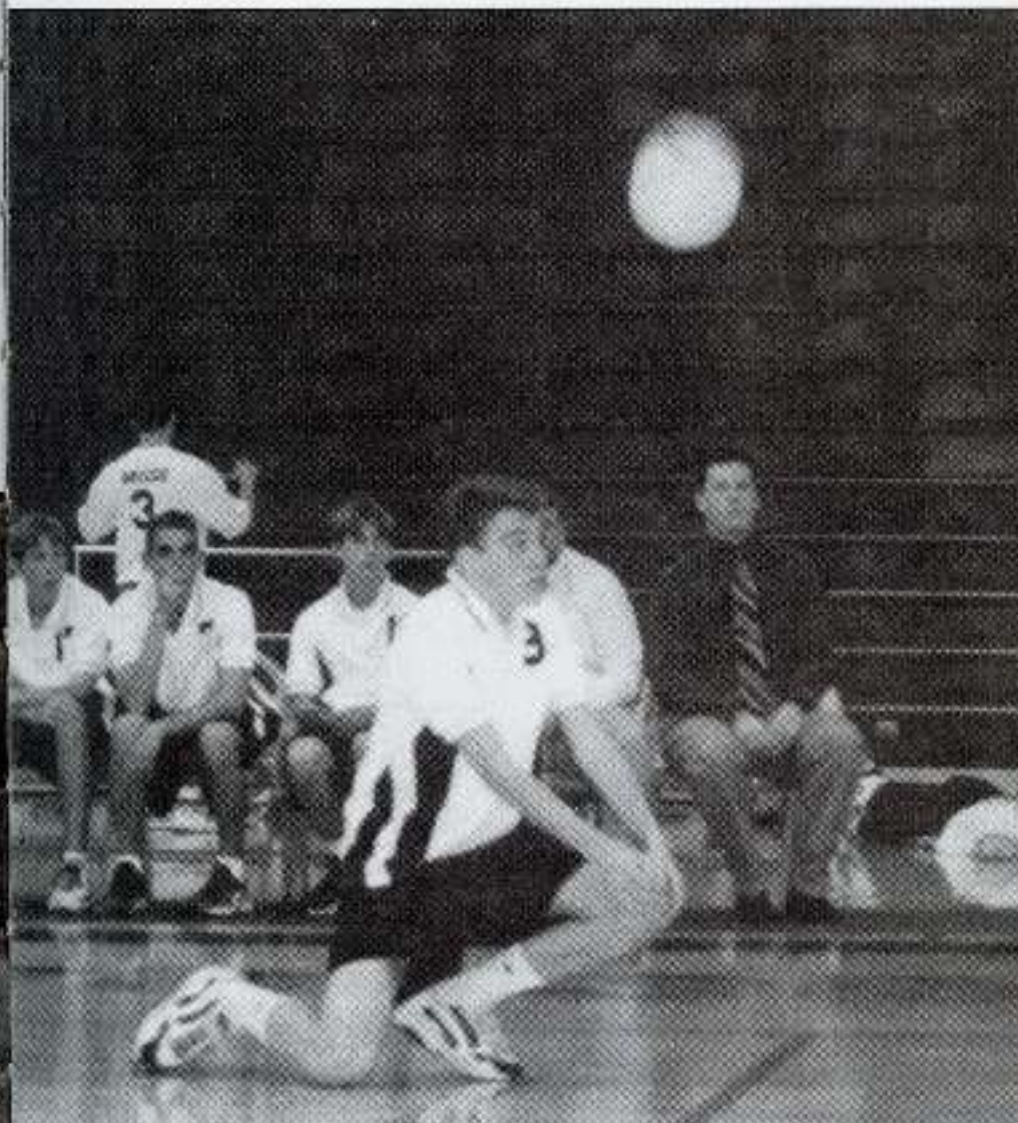
Despite some complaints about practices, the team still dominated the court during games. Sophomore Brittany Stine described the season highlight as "...when we beat Canyon in only two games. They are our biggest rivals." In addition to talent and skill, superstition also influenced the team. During every game, each girl sported a pair of Adidas socks. The players found themselves becoming more and more like sisters as they wore similar clothes and

shared similar passions, like volleyball. Together, they shared many memorable moments, including the time "...when sophomore Jenny Burrows did a full on face dive while attempting a dig. It was so funny!" recalled sophomore Gina Casillas.

The **ju boys' volleyball** team also shared memorable moments and similar goals, one of which was winning the Foothill League title. "I think we will do really well [because] we have a really strong team offensively and defensively. We will take league with no problem," predicted sophomore Carlo Bermudez. However, victory could not happen without some practice. Drills, running, and the Iron Man decathlon were all part of the conditioning, an important aspect of the daily practice routine. "What I like most about practice is that there isn't a lot of pressure on you and that you can work on your mistakes that you [made] in the games," commented freshman Jonathan Keen.

Besides practice, the team concentrated on hyping themselves up for games. Sophomore Jason Kurzius tried "...to get pumped up [before games], whether it's punching things or listening to movies." Striving toward the common goal of victory, most boys remained focused on just playing the game. Sophomore Shardul Ramolia summed up his train of thought during a game in one word—"winning."

—Melissa Petros



Stop, dig, and roll! Freshman Emily Martin (left) frantically dives to return the ball to the other side.

With intense concentration, sophomore Ian Henderson (above) saves the ball and his team.

Arms straight, knees bent, sophomore Breanna Barlow (right) passes the ball to her teammates.



causing a racket



Varsity Girls' Tennis: *From Rear:* N. Hwang, C. Cantio; *Rear Two:* J. Munroe, K. Semelsberger, J. Ladd, M. Simmons; *Back Row:* P. Letts, M. Cholakian, H. Bogard; *Coach:* Love, C. Pucci, B. Campbell, S. Hunt.

Match point. The scores were tied and the smell of victory was just a serve away. The teammates anticipated triumph, the crowd waited in suspense, the outcome of the game rested upon her shoulders. What did she do? NO FEAR!

With no fear, most of the team graced the courts and came out strong. Despite competing against highly ranked schools, including a tough competitor Burroughs, the **varsity girls' tennis** team qualified for CIF. Some members attributed their overall excitement and talent to the team's success. Junior Meagan Cholakian shared, "I think we did so well because we had several veterans from last year and we had young blood playing too. In doubles, we had great players that seemed to mesh together and play great."

"Teamwork is better than having a few superstars. Everyone has to pull together," praised junior Penny Letts. Although the sport emphasized the individual, members united as friends with a common goal—victory. Through thick and thin, the teammates encouraged one another and proved that a bundle of sticks was stronger than one.

However, long practices and tough games didn't sum up the season for this team. Players also participated in daily "campfires," singing, and encouraging one another by calling each other names. "Beast," explained junior Meredith Simmons, "is what I called my doubles partner Kristen Semelsberger because we somehow played better when we called each other names."

Along with the title "league champs," the team carried a feeling of pride and victory. However, the title and acclaim weren't achieved by mere talent this season. Sophomore Jamie Ladd added, "We were not only victorious due to our winning in games, but we also had good sportsmanship which is just as important as being number one."

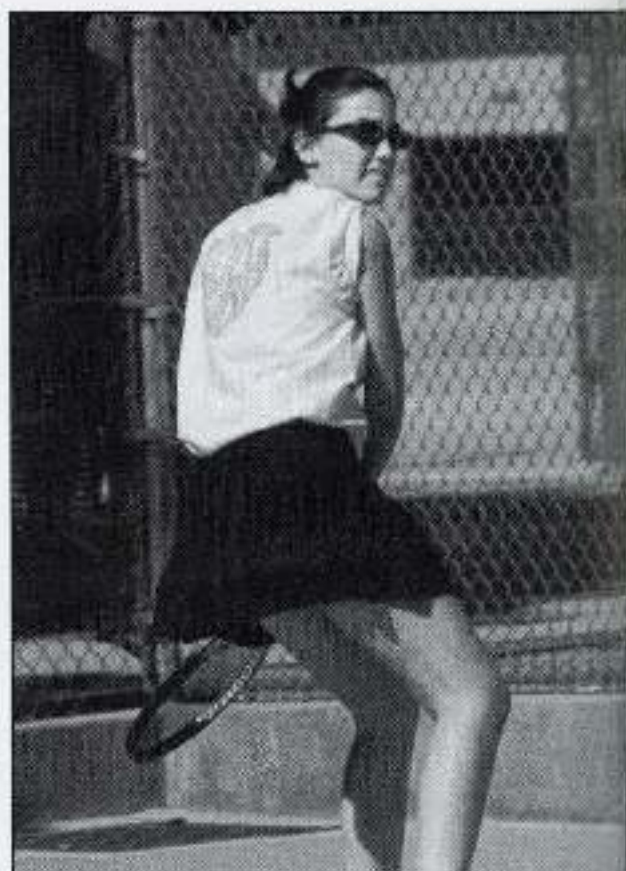
In the end, most varsity players, in all that they gave, gained something in return. Junior Stephanie Bunt concluded, "Tennis wasn't just a sport, it was life. While working hard and striving to succeed, tennis enabled me to have a lot of fun and build great friendships."

—Candice Park

scoreboard

10-9	Westlake
11-7	Buena
14-4	Ventura
13-5	La Canada
13-5	Glendale
15-3	Canyon
12-6	Burbank
16-2	Valencia
14-4	Saugus
9-9	Burroughs
12-6	Canyon
13-5	Burbank
17-1	Valencia
16-2	Saugus
10-8	Burroughs
17-1	La Mirada
6-12	West Torrance

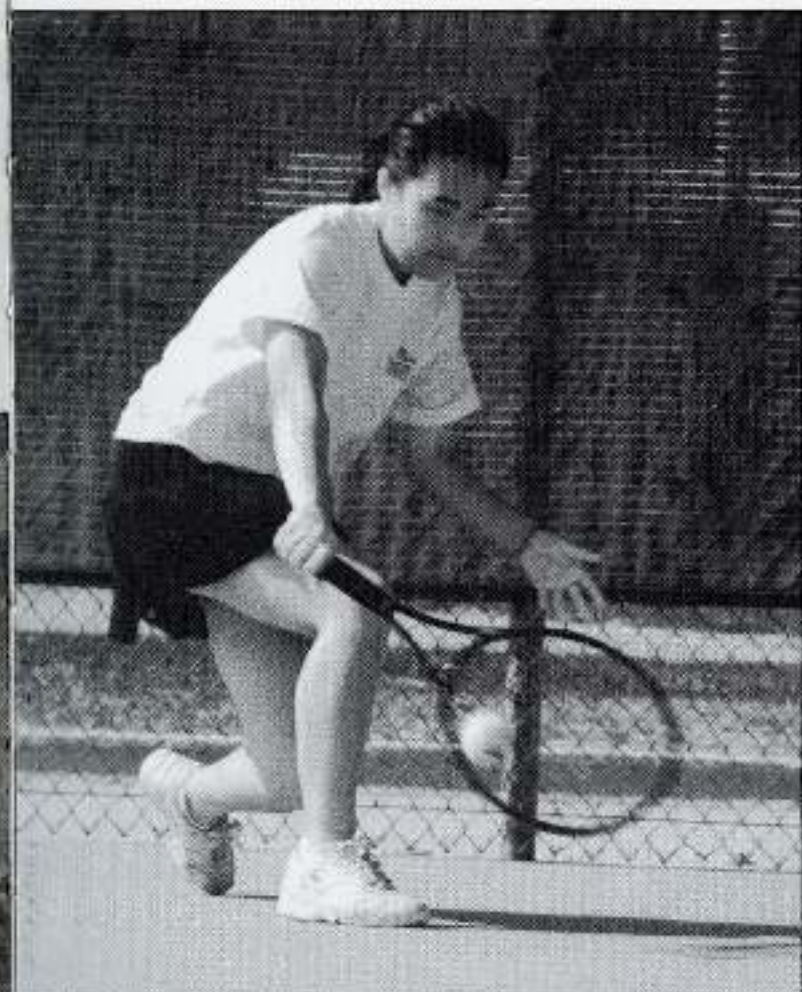
League Meets - CIF
Foothill League Champions



Sporting some shades, junior Kristen Semelsberger prepares to send the ball flying. Many tennis players wore either sunglasses or hats to keep the rays out of their eyes.

At the last second, senior Nancy Hwang saves the ball with a backhand. Players were able to respond to any ball coming toward them.

Reaching for the stars, freshman Cristina Cencic prepares to astound the audience. Her flawless stroke sent the ball flying over the net.



And it's over! Junior Meredith Simmons slams the tennis ball. Tennis players could never relax because the ball could return at any moment.

bethanie campbell

Why did you choose tennis?

I guess, probably because I love the sound of the ball when it hits the sweet spot on my racket, you know? Like, that crisp, clean, kind of stroke sound. I love that. I like it because it's like every player you come up against has [her] own unique style.

What are some of the benefits of being on varsity tennis?

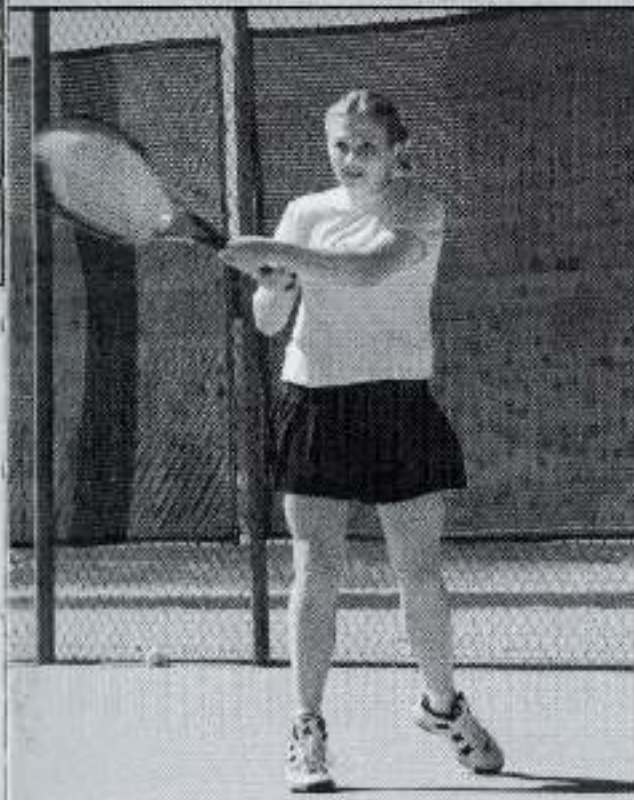
Probably that I get to come up against USTA ranked tournament players [who have] dedicated their lives to this sport practically since they were little. It's just such a challenge, you know? I

might not always beat them, but at least I always give them a run for their money.

What motivates you and keeps you pushing?

Trying to become a little bit better each day, learning something new, perfecting a shot, you know? That's what's really important—seeing yourself improve even if you're not always winning. As long as there's room for improvement—that's what keeps me going.

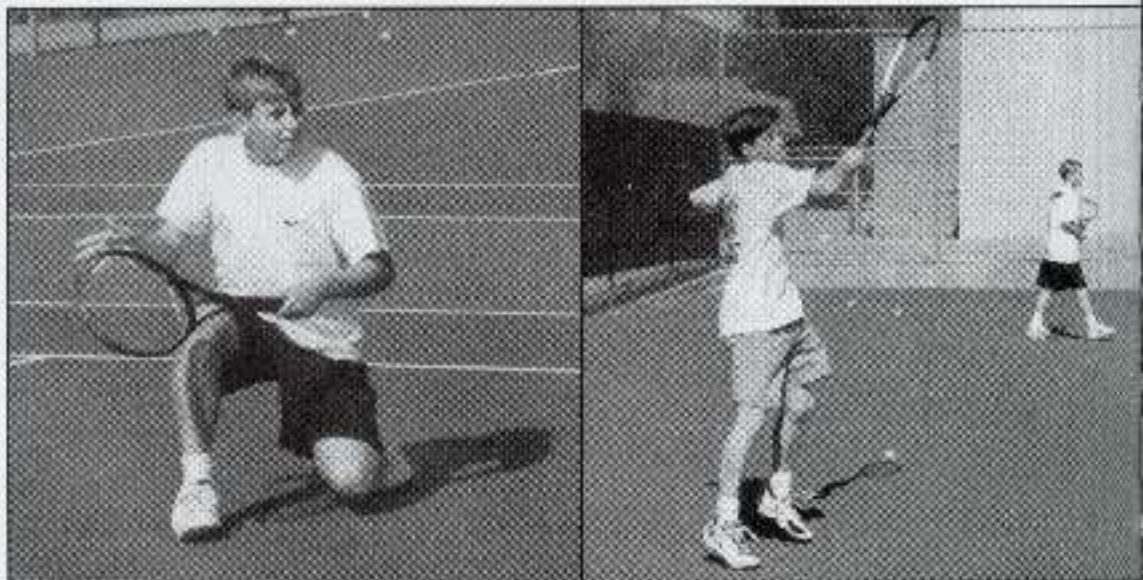
—as told to Megan Kopic



With anticipation, junior Josh Pradko (right) positions himself for the incoming volley.

Following through his shot, junior Phil Smith (far right) hammers one over the net.

With a powerful forehand shot, junior Todd Castagna (below) returns the ball.



michael ho



How did you get started playing tennis?

I started playing tennis about three years ago. I was always interested in the game, and it just seemed like a fun sport.

What do you like most about tennis?

I like the competition and intensity of it the most. I also just like to play. My favorite thing about tennis is all of the friends [who] I have made through playing. Some of my

best friends are on the team and it's fun hanging out with them.

What has tennis taught you?

Tennis has taught me hard work, discipline, and dedication. I have also made some good friends through tennis.

How many tennis balls and racquets do you think you have either destroyed or lost?

I have probably gone through about 500 balls, 40 strings, and one racquet. Tennis is a really expensive sport.

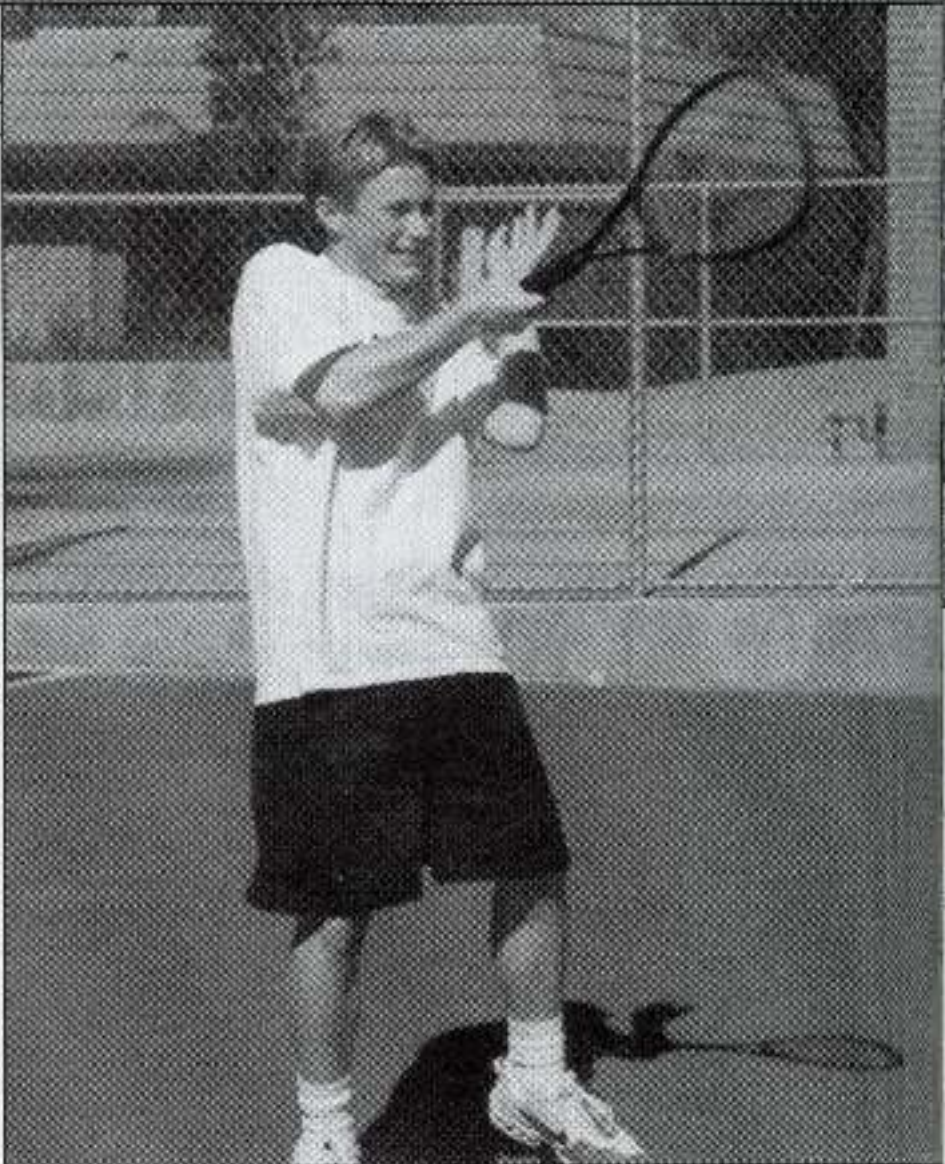
I know that you are very involved in your academics, among other things. How do you make the time for tennis?

I just try to focus on what I am doing at hand. When I am in the classroom, I try my best and when I am on the tennis courts, I play hard.

How do you feel about being the number two singles player on the team?

I have been playing singles for about two years now, and I think it's pretty cool playing singles on the team. I know we have a really good team, and I hope I can help our team win in any way.

—as told to Seema Shah



schedule

Chamirade
Campbell Hall
Palmdale Tournament
La Canada
Glendale
Keppel
Valencia
Canyon
Burbank
Saugus
Burrroughs
League Prelims
League Finals

League



Varsity Boys' Tennis: Front Row: A. Vashistha, J. Oyama, J. Fradkoff, T. Castagna, M. Ho, Back Row: A. Themistocleous, A. Davidson, G. Pitzer, K. Spindt, P. Smith, Coach Mansfield.

smashing good fun

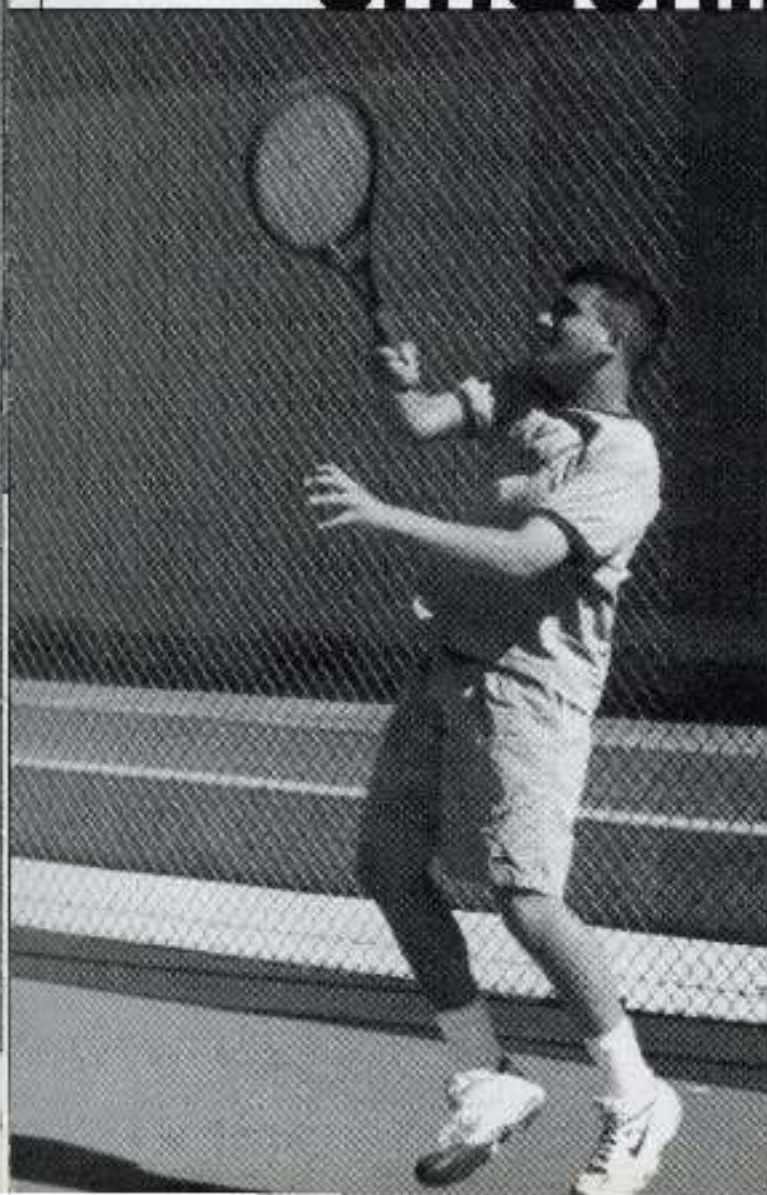
Behind every green tennis ball that hit the chain link fence, there was a member of the **varsity boys' tennis** team striving to do his part to make the team the best it could be. Each member had his own reason for joining the team, ranging from the desire to simply be a part of a high school sport to the love of the game to a desire to exhibit his talents. Whatever reason each player had, the individuals came together to work and win as a team.

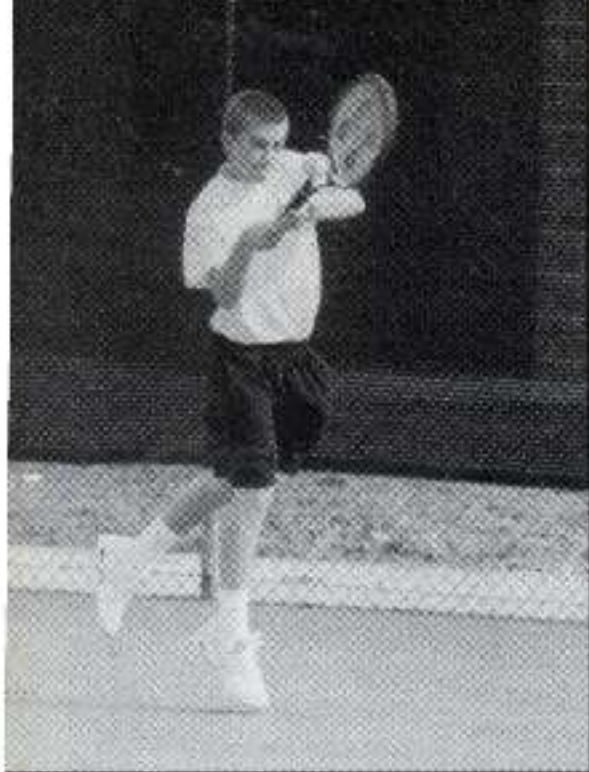
Bonding and working together was a big part of the winning strategy for this team. As junior Philip Smith commented, "Everyone pretty much gets along and tries to help each other out. Cooperation is especially important between doubles players, but everyone tries to work together." Practicing five days a week, the players not only had the opportunity to improve their game but also to relieve some of the tensions of the day. "It's great to be able to take out my anger and frustration on the ball," remarked junior Andrew Davidson. Although players generally considered the long practices as one of the more unpleasant aspects of tennis, junior Josh Fradkoff thought, "You know all the practice is worth it when you win a match. The best is watching your opponents become frustrated."

To prevent team members from growing frustrated, players cheered for each other before and during matches. During matches, several players emphasized the importance of concentration, a key strategy in defeating the competition. With this kind of key strategies, most of the varsity tennis team had yet another season of smashing good fun.

—Melanie Petros

Who says tennis players can't jump?
Junior Anish Vashistha makes a flying
leap to connect racquet with ball.





Using all his might, freshman Adam Davidson scores another point against his opponent.

court gestures

Shhhhh! Be very, very quiet; they're hunting tennis balls. In Elmer Fudd fashion, the **JV girls team** chased balls up and down the court. Cheers like, "H-A-R-T! Go Hart! Let's go!" and "Ping Pong!" echoed as the team played. Some players remembered the

enthusiasm of the team above all. "My most memorable moment of the tennis [season] was when the team would cheer before every game," recalled sophomore Bryn Price, "It made us feel good and it pumped us up for the games."

However, enthusiasm couldn't simply be accredited to the cheer itself, but also to the new coach. Many players adapted easily to Coach Cholakian, the mother of a varsity player, because of her "understanding and friendly personality," explained freshman Kristin Gearing, "I liked how she would always give us confidence when we felt down and how she helped our team because she always found ways to make the game of tennis fun." On behalf of her team, freshman Menaka Fernando concluded, "The players worked incredibly well together. Everyone got along well and fought hard to win the League Championship."

The girls weren't the only ones causing racket on the court. The **JV boys' tennis** team also strutted their stuff. Through practices and games alike, teammates shared some of the most memorable and amusing times of their lives. Junior C.J. Slauenwhite commented, "I remember when we were on the bus and were parked next to a tree, and the bus started to move and one of the branches came into the window and hit someone in the face." On a more serious note, sophomore Christopher Taylor recalled his victory over the Royal's singles players to be his moment.

At times when tennis grew intense and the day of the big match approached, players found different ways to calm themselves down. Freshman Adam Davidson took the meditation route to soothe his stress, while sophomore Sean Anderson stated, "I drink Coca-Cola or Pepsi."

In the end, both the girls' and boys' JV tennis teams exhibited enthusiasm as well as a love for the game. From sharing times of laughter and cheer to times of disappointment and frustration, many players, entering the season with high hopes, left with bright smiles.

—Candice Park

With poise and grace, junior Keen Salahi (top) watches the tennis ball fly over the net.

Partners, sophomores Jon Korosher and Patrick Hsu (middle), plan on how to trick the opposing team.

In defiance of gravity, freshman Melanie Ware (bottom) disappoints her opponent's plan by barely reaching the ball.



Doubles team juniors Erin Read and Natalie Patterson work their opponents.



"I look up to people who beat the odds, and I think if they can become victorious, why can't I?" commented freshman Menaka Fernando. Teammates, coaches, and parents motivated and inspired the **JV boys'** and **JV girls' tennis** teams to play well and to beat the odds.

inspirations

Before and during matches, teammates cheered and pumped each other up. However, teammates were not the only ones cheering. Junior Natalie Patterson

found, "[Coaches] help me to remember how good I am if I'm thinking down about myself and [coaches] always cheer me up." Most agreed with Natalie that pep talks helped.

Well-known professional tennis players, including Andre Agassi and Martina Hingis, inspired many members of the tennis team. After studying Pete Sampras' life and tennis career, sophomore Jon Koroshac found that Sampras "made [him] understand that it doesn't matter if you lose because that just helps you get experience against better players." Though winning wasn't everything, inspirations assisted many players in beating opponents and achieving victory.

—Renee Greiner



JV Girls' Tennis: Front Row: M. Fernando, R. Soah; Row Two: T. Hsu, J. Choi, B. Price, M. Ware, G. Pauci; Back Row: F. Coleran, K. Geating, E. Read, Coach Cholasian, L. Chen, N. Patterson.



JV Boys' Tennis: Front Row: M. Kim, S. Koroshac, E. Huang, C. Slauenwhite, P. Hsu, A. Davidson; Back Row: Coach Love, P. Startfield, C. Dreckman, C. Taylor, T. Kiman, S. Anderson.



Quick reflexes allow junior Katie Baca to maneuver the ball away from her opponent. Hart went on to gain a victory of 8-1 against Burbank.

Maintaining possession of the ball while also feeling the push of her opponent, freshman Ebony Lewis dribbles downfield.



mandy stupar

What do you like most about soccer?

I love meeting new people, the bond I share with them, and the friendships.

What do you dislike most about soccer?

The running! It keeps you in shape...

Who do you admire most in soccer?

Mia Hamm...and all my teammates because they put up with me and they're all really great.

What was your most memorable soccer experience?

So far, last year when we went to CIF finals. That was the farthest we've been and although we didn't win, we did a good job and got there.

What is your earliest soccer memory?

Going to Hawaii for a tournament when I was eight years old with a lot of people [who] actually play on the team [now]. We went to Hawaii for a tournament with our AYSO all-star soccer team and junior Erin Misaki and seniors Courtney Sherlock and Kellie Nordhagen, they were all on my team. We won third place at the tournament!

—as told to Bauerle Renn

Varsity Girls' Soccer: Front Row: S. Lind, K. Baca, S. Durand, M. Marstfield, E. Lewis, C. Kaeding; Rear Row: Coach Bage, D. Hanes, E. Misaki, C. Sherlock, K. Puckett, M. Stupar, A. Pavoni, Coach Germond; Back Row: B. Gould, K. McKeon, K. Paden, K. Marbach, A. Nordhagen, K. Nordhagen, D. Sanquineti, L. Solett.



With all her might, senior Courtney Sherlock bars the net down field.



The sun caught the glimmer of red and white on uniforms as twenty girls with twinkling eyes marched across a grassy field toward their opponents. Their cleats tied, their faces grim, their uniforms cleaned, the girls were ready for almost anything. These twenty girls were not the Marine Corps, but the **varsity girls' soccer team**.

"I love the game of soccer. Not one game or play is ever the same," explained junior Erin Misaki. "Also, it is a very tactical game." At one of their games against Canyon, the girls walked away with a tie of 2-2 as well as mud streaked hair, faces, ears, knees, and feet. The day before rain poured, leaving the field wet and muddy. "The field was horrible. It was so muddy we could

just kickin' it

barely run. We were down 2-0, but we came back and tied them 2-2," described junior Kelley Puckett.

Many returning players, such as Kelley, had another responsibility besides winning—leading. Seven newcomers were welcomed by

sophomores, juniors, and seniors through team lunches, pasta feeds, and spinning sessions. Freshman Allie Pavoni declared, "I wasn't nervous playing with older players at all. Everyone made me feel very welcome."

In the end, after the girls, decked out in red and white, had made their plays and made their goals, one team walked away as the league winner. In other words, the girls were undefeated and league champions. "On the field, we aren't friends with the other team. We have to put the nice thought behind us and concentrate on winning. After the game is over, there are no hard feelings. It's life," emphasized junior Danielle Hanes. And throughout muddy fields, for old players and new players, life went on.

—Bauerle Renn



Squish! Squish! Junior Kelley Puckett attempts to free the ball from the quicksand-like mud. Although the team was down two points before halftime, they came back to tie Canyon.

scoreboard

2-4	Crescenta Valley
2-1	Granada Hills
0-0	Thousand Oaks
2-0	Harvard Westlake
2-2	Chatsworth
4-2	Arcadia
3-1	Saugus
2-2	Canyon
8-0	Burroughs
4-0	Burbank
4-1	Valencia
2-0	Saugus
3-0	Canyon
8-0	Burroughs
8-1	Burbank
5-1	Valencia

League
League Champions



In close contact with another player, junior Coby King uses his body to block the ball from Valencia.

"Dribble, dribble, set, set, kick that ball in the net, net!" That was exactly what most of the **varsity boys' soccer** team did. With a 4-3-3 record, the boys finished third place in league.

Perhaps a major reason why they placed third was returning players. "Almost everyone on the team is a returner, we are more mentally ready for games, there is more of a desire to win, and we're all better players because of a year of [experience]," replied sweeper Erich Marbach.

However, experience was not the only cause of the results of the season. Desire to work hard during the season and devotion over the summer helped the team win. For most, stepping out to the rays of the sun and into hot and sweaty shinguards took a lot of heart. During the months of June, July, and August, the team sacrificed lemonades, swimming pools, and

goooooal!!!!!!

other vacation paradises to work out in the 100 degree weather. Junior Jason Goss commented, "We worked out in the summer to get ahead of the competition, to stay in shape, and to keep our skills sharp."

Midway through the season, the team dynamics changed as forward Jared Bazar moved up from the jv team. Jared recalled, "I felt nervous because I was taking a big step from jv to varsity and I wasn't sure how I'd do playing with guys I've never played with before."

Although some players were new, most of the team still worked together with unity and cooperation. Overall, their knowledge of the game, their desire to win, and their work ethic prevailed, and the boys' efforts paid off in something different from victory: improvement.

—Becca Gould



daniel ledesma

What position do you play?

I play Center Mid.

Why did you guys practice over the summer?

To be better players this year. We were upset about how we did last year.

What are your future soccer goals?

Maybe play for the MLS [Major League Soccer].

How do you prepare yourself for a soccer game?

I get a good night sleep and that's all.

How has playing for the boys' soccer team changed you?

[This team] helped me to understand that there are better players than [me] and it's helped me to get along with the others on the team.

—as told to Becca Gould



With speed and agility, sophomore Rafael Gonzalez takes out his opponent by making a quick pass to his teammate.

Yards from the goal, sophomore Jared Bazar saves the ball from Valencia's grip with a forceful head bump to his teammate. The Indians tied 1-1 with the Vikings.

scoreboard

2-1	Saugus
1-1	Canyon
1-4	Burroughs
2-1	Burbank
1-1	Valencia
2-1	Saugus
0-3	Canyon
1-2	Burroughs
1-0	Burbank
1-1	Valencia

League
3rd place in league



Varsity Boys' Soccer: Front Row: D. Ledesma, B. Cefola, R. Conzo, J. Salinas, C. Williams; Row Two: A. Bokal, C. King, M. Mansfield, J. Goes, C. James, D. Robinson, S. Margulies; Back Row: Coach Benavidez, J. Lara, J. Ledesma, J. Bazar, R. Cisneros, A. Douthett, N. Christensen, E. Marbach, B. LaRue, Coach Ramirez

Whether the sun shone brightly, the wind blew, or the rain poured, the **juv boys' and girls' soccer** teams prepared for upcoming soccer games by running, practicing drills (such as shooting, passing, and trapping), and participating in scrimmage games. Because practices lasted for over two hours, five days a week, some soccer players complained that soccer was too time-consuming. However, most

a feat of feet

players found that giving up time was just a small sacrifice for

everything they gained from the sport. Opportunities for exercise and new friendships abounded on the two teams. Furthermore, many players spoke of soccer games positively. "I like the soccer games and learning new things. I get really excited when I improve and play a really good soccer game," commented sophomore Becky Manning. Freshman Katie Skipper added, "I love the rush I get after scoring a goal or making a really awesome play with one of my teammates." On the other hand, freshman Aaron Johnson spoke of the "physical roughness" and the "competition" as being two of his favorite aspects of the game.

Overall, members of both the boys' and the girls' teams shared bonds with their teammates. Freshman Kristin Lueke remarked, "We're like a family." And with the support and closeness of a "family," team members shared both embarrassing and memorable moments with each other. Freshman Leslie Evans recalled, "[The time] I tripped on a net and got tangled in it and it took me ten minutes to get out." In addition, sophomore David Zeltser remembered, "One time, during a drill, I was in line next to one of the goal posts. A ball flew through the air and landed on my head. Everyone was laughing and saying, 'Are you okay?'" In addition, members of the juv soccer teams united through traditions, such as shouting the same cheer before each game. The girls' team also held an annual sleepover during which they toilet papered the coach's house.

During the soccer season, team members found that speed, coordination, and aggressiveness were among the most important skills that a soccer player should have. Teamwork was also essential.

While soccer brought fun, friendship, and exercise, many juv players found much more than that. Sophomore Jason Kurzius exclaimed, "I play soccer because of those games in the rain and mud when you put all your heart into it and rise triumphantly."

—Renee Greiner

With outstretched arms, junior Liz Feldman finds an open teammate to throw the ball to.

Before a Valencia player can reach the ball, sophomore David Zeltser races to save the soccer ball from going out of bounds.



JV Girls' Soccer: Front Row: K. Ali, J. Oelich, E. Corrales, K. Skipper; Row Two: Coach Mickel, K. Henry, E. Jackson, J. Campbell, L. Feldman, M. Evans, E. Martin, Asst. Coach Barnett; Back Row: B. Manning, L. Evans, S. Funderburg, J. Cull, K. Lueke, L. Murphy, S. Dean.



JV Boys' Soccer: Front Row: Matt Schierle, M. Long, M. Gonzalez, B. Lopez, B. Aguilar, J. Mejia, Matt Goldman; Row Two: N. Kosko, D. Manis, M. Lumberdo, C. Carmon, D. Delfo, M. Comrie, J. Kurzius, J. Ramirez, C. Mendenhall; Back Row: J. Cummings, H. Harris, D. Zeltser, C. Smith, R. Wadatz, A. Johnson, A. Barrios, M. Dominguez, Coach Hill.



Left to right: Adam Barrios, David Mannix, Rusty Wadatz, Cole Cannon, and Mike Lombardo.



Boys against girls—the classic competition. Tomahawk challenged a few JV girls' and boys' soccer players to another battle in the war of the sexes.

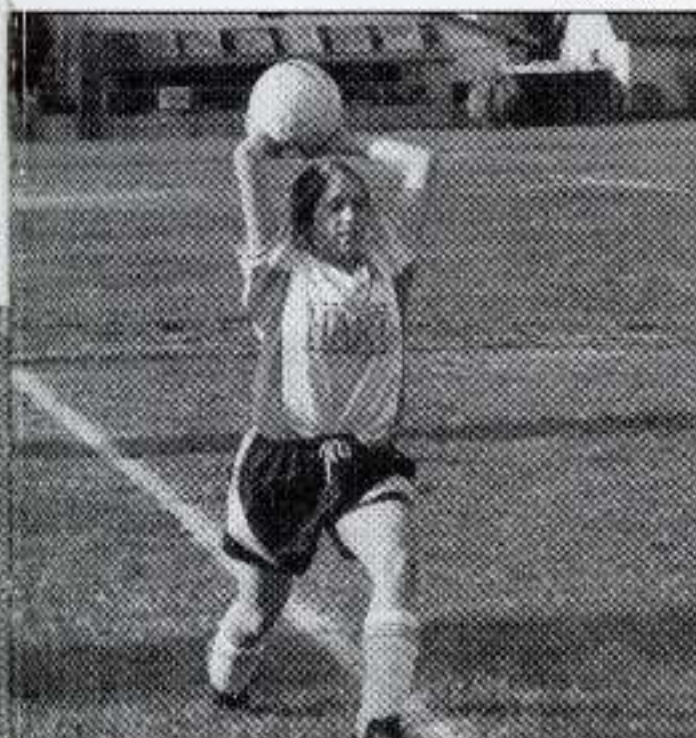
boys vs. girls

One sunny afternoon, 10 JV soccer players—girls JV Jessica Cull, Eva Comalejo, Genevieve Espinosa, Liz Feldman, and Lisa Murphy—and boys—Rusty Wadatz, Cole Cannon, Michael Lombardo, David Mannix, and Adam Barrios—met on the upper field for a mini competition. Each team's goalie was faced with blocking four shots. The other team members then tried to shoot a goal. Lisa and Michael impressed most spectators as they hopped on one foot and recited the alphabet. Both players succeeded to score. They were followed by two renditions of "I'm a Little Tea Pot" as interpreted by Genevieve and David. Again, the score was tied. Next the challenge was presented to Adam and Eva as they sang the Alma Mater and ran backwards around the goalie. Both earned each team another point. Finally, it came down to Cole and Liz. Each did their best Hockey-Pockey. Cole shot and missed. The score was now all up to Liz. As fate would have it, she too shot and missed. Now the goalies had to shoot against the opposing teams. Rusty and Jessica shot until the tie was at last broken with a winning shot from the girls. Thus, the girls claimed victory in this battle of the sexes.

—Anne Lecrivain



Left to right: Lisa Murphy, Liz Feldman, Eva Comalejo, Jessica Cull, and Genevieve Espinosa.



Using all he's got to show the opposing team what he's made of, junior Rusty Wadatz gives the ball a kick that sends it over Valencia's heads.

No matter how high she kicks her leg, a Birchbank player can't stop freshman Stephanie Funderburg from sending the ball to an anxiously awaiting teammate.



With confidence, senior Jacy Elm surveys the court for an unguarded teammate.



melissa harrison

Has being on the basketball team improved your skills in other areas?
It [helps] me get along with other people because everybody on the team has a different personality and [I] have to work at being around...everybody on the team so [we] all get along as a team and can play together.

What are your plans for the future?

UC Santa Barbara is interested in me playing basketball up there...I think I'll try it and if I don't like it, there is always just school.

Have you had a major role in all four years of playing?

Yes, for a couple years, I've been team captain. I have to be a leader out there and just get everybody...going. In the game, I explain things to people, how I see it and how things need to be. A lot of times people on the team understand it more coming from me rather than the coach.

How are you different on the court and off the court?

On the court, I just get down to business and play. That's all I worry about. Nothing else matters. Outside I do whatever I want—I'm a fun-loving person. I'm free-spirited off the court, but on the court I just play basketball—that's what I'm there to do.

—as told to Annie Parr



hoop, there it is

scoreboard

36-56	Crescent Valley
34-36	Clevedale
66-76	Cooroweth
30-52	Garfield
30-24	Texas
44-68	Albany
66-25	Quartz Hill
36-47	Newman Park
74-25	Elfrink
34-35	Sage
30-37	Canyon
49-25	Barnough
30-37	Barbaric
43-29	Valencia
36-72	Amaya
49-22	Sage
51-39	Canyon
34-21	Barnough
39-11	Barbaric
54-44	Elfrink
	Logan

"A successful basketball team must consist of team members who work hard, have good communication, good chemistry, and dedication. They must have heart and desire to win," explained junior Emily Reyna, a member of the **varsity girls' basketball** team. Indeed, hard work and determination marked the season as teammates overcame difficult times, such as the injuries of players—senior Christina Chao and junior Renee Reyna. "Losing a player because of an injury was a bit disappointing," shared junior Natalie Patterson. "We knew we had to work harder and try to make up for [the loss]."

Despite some friction at the start of the season, most felt the team ultimately prevailed. Once again, the team brought home a League Championship title for the sixth consecutive year. However, this season was different than any other. First of all, the team had the best score record in the school's history. Carrying an overall record of 21 wins and two losses to CIF playoffs satisfied the girls. Moreover, they maintained 18 straight consecutive wins. Many players attributed the team's overall success to talent, while others admitted desire was the defining factor.

Junior Renee Reyna stated, "I think what I like most about this year's team is everybody's desire to win. We all have high hopes and expectations of going far in CIF. This thread of desire is what defines our team." Senior Jacy Elm added, "I liked that this year's team is really together. We are all working towards a common goal."

In a sport in which each player served a function and shared a friendship, most members reflected on what they learned from the sport and from each other. Sophomore Christina Sanchez stated, "Basketball has no limits. You always have to try new things or else you will never get better; always try your best no matter what the odds are." Sophomore Kyli Hourigan added, "I learned how important a team is and that if we work together, we can, I mean we will go all the way."

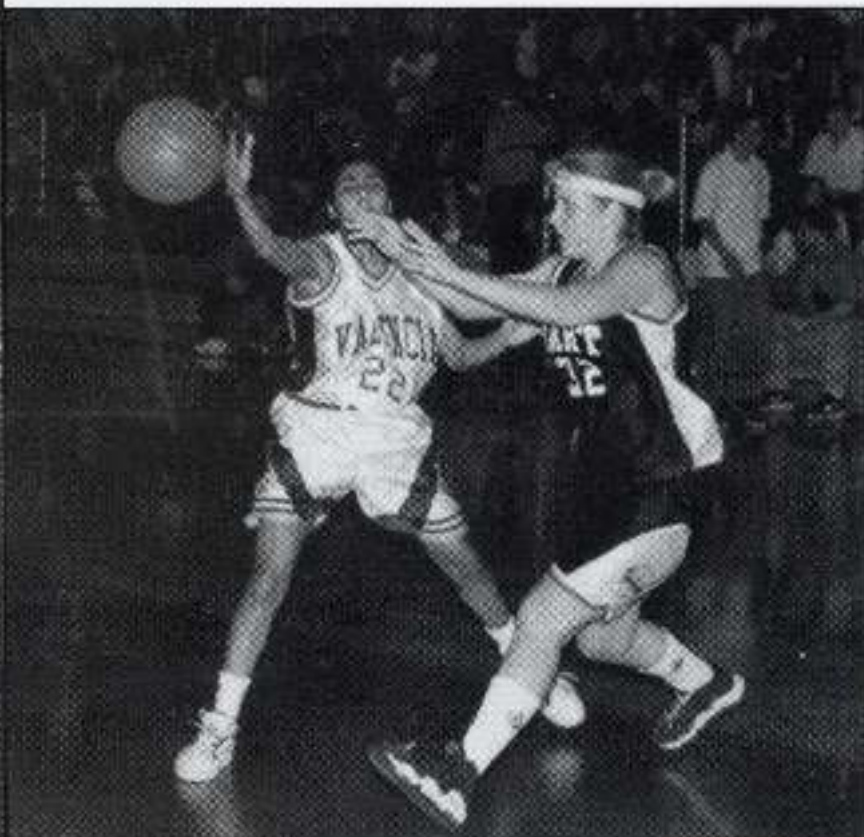
—Candice Park



Varsity Girls' Basketball: Front Row: Manager I. Munroe, Res. Tech. N. Patterson, C. Chao, E. Reyna, R. Reyna, C. Sanchez, L. Carson, Back Res. J. Perilla, J. Elm, M. Harrison, Coach Munroe, Manager A. Parks, B. Kentfield, K. Hourigan, S. Spielbuzler.



As the crowd cheers wildly, senior Melissa Harrison jumps to prevent the ball from going out of bounds.



As a determined Viking attempts an interception, junior Shannon Spielbuehler races to complete the pass.

After bringing down a rebound, junior Briana Kentfield defends her ball. The girls went on to defeat the Vikings 43-29.



david neill



What are your personal goals for this season?

To make J.T. Stotts owe me money and to win Foothill League.

How long have you been playing?

Ten years or so.

Do you do anything special to prepare before a game?

I eat, then, go home and listen to country music.

What is your most memorable moment?

Beating Valencia to win League.

Do you plan on going to college?

Yes, on a football scholarship to University of Nevada, Reno.

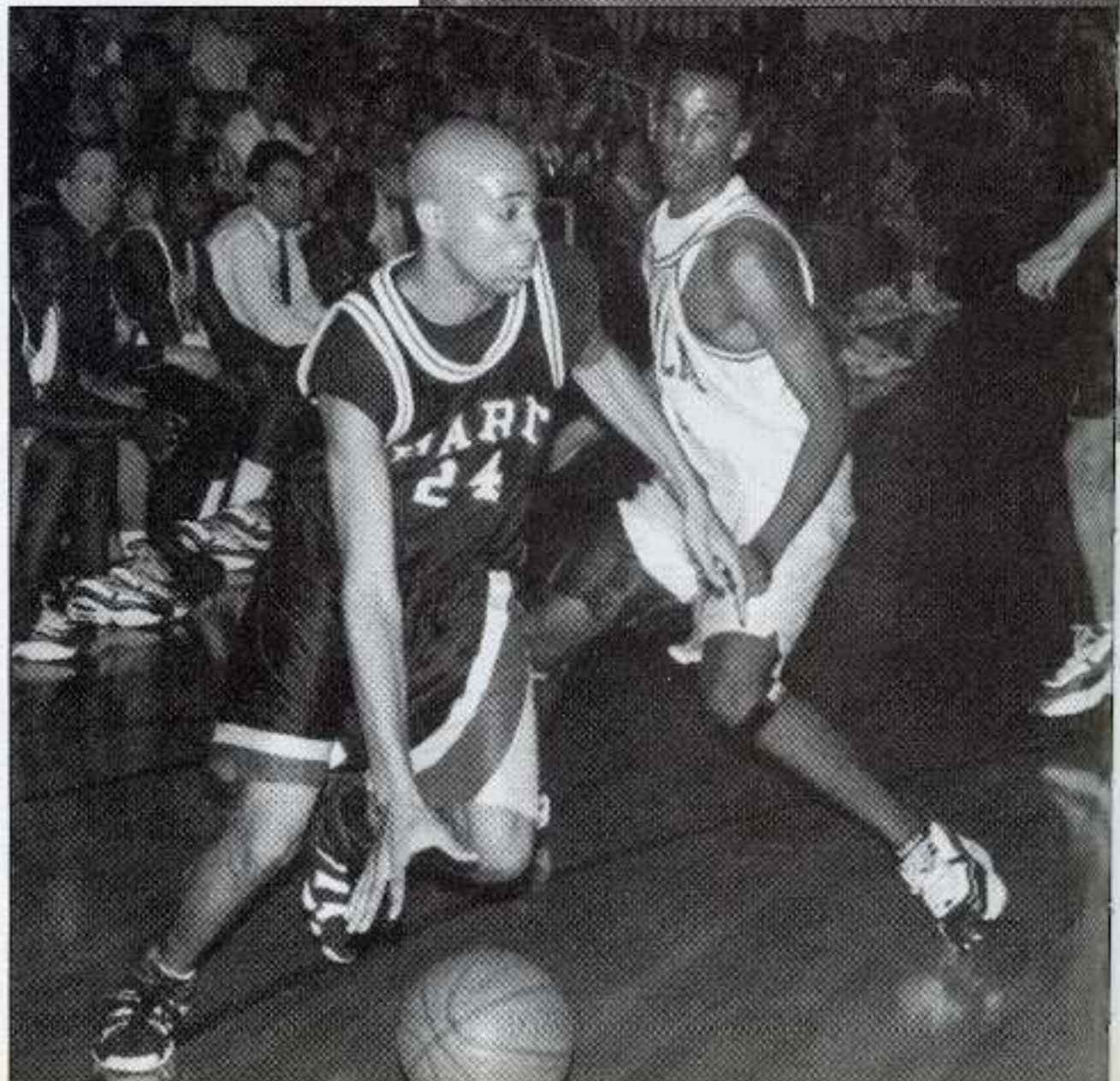
Why are you choosing football over basketball?

Because I think I'm better at football and I'm not going to get a scholarship for basketball.

Do you plan on making a career out of either sport?

Hopefully football. My dream is to one day get to the NFL.

—as told to Chris Stanman



In triple front position, senior Greg Pitzer looks for a lane to the hoop.

On a fast break, senior J.T. Storts looks to pull up for a jump shot.

hoop dreams



De-fense! De-fense! The crowd stomped behind him. With a sudden rush of energy, he sprinted across the court and stole the ball from his opponent. The crowd then rose to their feet as he rushed to the basket. He panicked as he saw his opponents and threw as he closed his eyes. He missed. Yet his teammate right behind him caught the ball and shot. He scored. The score was now tied with a little help from a teammate. For the most part, teamwork was essential for the **varsity boys' basketball** team.

One of the ways the "team bond" formed was through practice. Every school day for two hours, the team performed drills such as "dashers" and "suicides," which enhanced running and quickened breathing. For the remainder of the time, they scrimmaged and practiced offense. Most team members agreed practices were long and tiresome, but practices paid off in the future.

Besides practices, other advantages appeared in basketball. However, most of the team disagreed with the customary thought that good basketball players were all tall. In fact, team members heights ranged from 5'10" to 6'4." Perhaps that was why most of the team felt they could not dunk, but they could shoot well. However, senior Nader Adawiya could dunk. During the game for the League Championship, he "dunked the ball" against Valencia at our home gym! Even though it went by in a flash, [I] still loved every second," Nader recalled.

Throughout game days, the boys dressed up like gentlemen. Unlike the football players, they sported striped ties, buttoned shirts, and belted khakis. Another dress-up alternative was the black polo shirt. However, when game time finally arrived, the boys changed into their jerseys—black, for home games, and white, for away games.

Before each game, the team "usually just relaxed and listened to rap music," junior Trevor Rich explained. "After we're dressed, coach comes in and tells us what he expects for the game," continued junior Andrew Davidson, "Coach May [the previous coach] and Coach Montgomery [the current

coach] are like day and night. Coach May stressed defense whereas Coach Montgomery stresses offense. It took a while, but we're finally getting used to what he expects from us. Then, we all put our hands in and yell "H-Town."

"H-Town" was a fairly new tradition, yet old traditions still remained. For instance, once they were let out on the court, they partnered up and practiced shooting the ball. Furthermore, the school's winning tradition continued as the varsity team captured the League Title once again. However, when the game began, basketball, not tradition, was all that mattered.

—Tiffany Martinez

Leaving his defender in the dust, senior Jeff Whitmore drives to the basket.

scoreboard


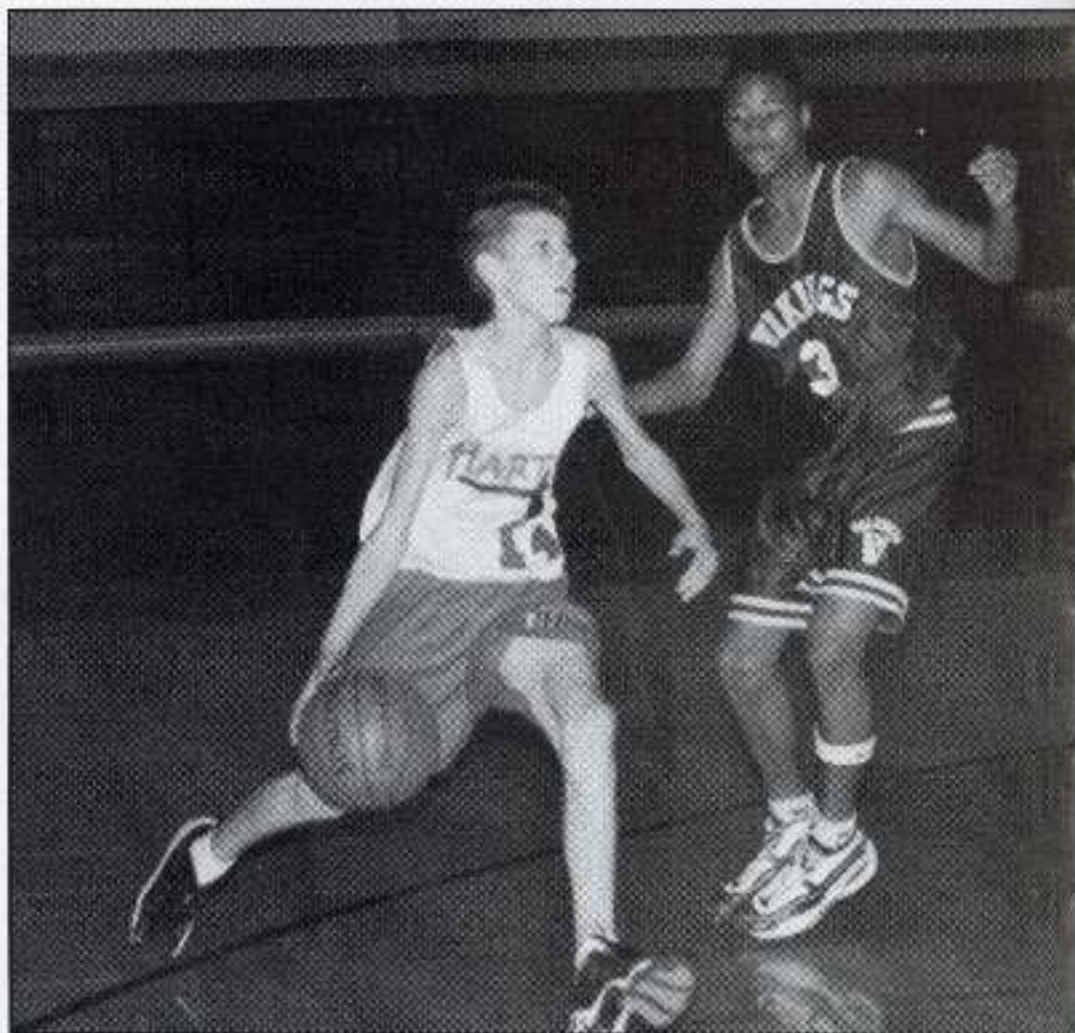
47-54	Loyola
68-75	Palmdale
69-44	Little Rock
70-81	Santa Paula
60-62	Saugus (OT)
59-51	Canyon
66-51	Burroughs
49-43	Burbanks
77-70	Valencia (OT)
60-51	Saugus
55-53	Canyon
43-46	Burroughs
80-73	Burbank (OT)
87-69	Valencia
League	
17-9 Overall	
8-2 League Champions	



Varsity Boys' Basketball: Front Row: T. McKell, J.L. Lyons, A. Davidson, Coach D. Montgomery, J. Storts, A. Date, G. Pitzer; Back Row: T. Rich, S. Hunt, N. Adawiya, K. Weldon, D. Neil, J. Owens, J. Whitmore.

Not even a cowgirl can stop freshman Carly Calderonello from taking the ball all the way down the court.

Dribbling past the outstretched arms of a Viking, freshman Edward Lachman spots a teammate to pass the ball to.

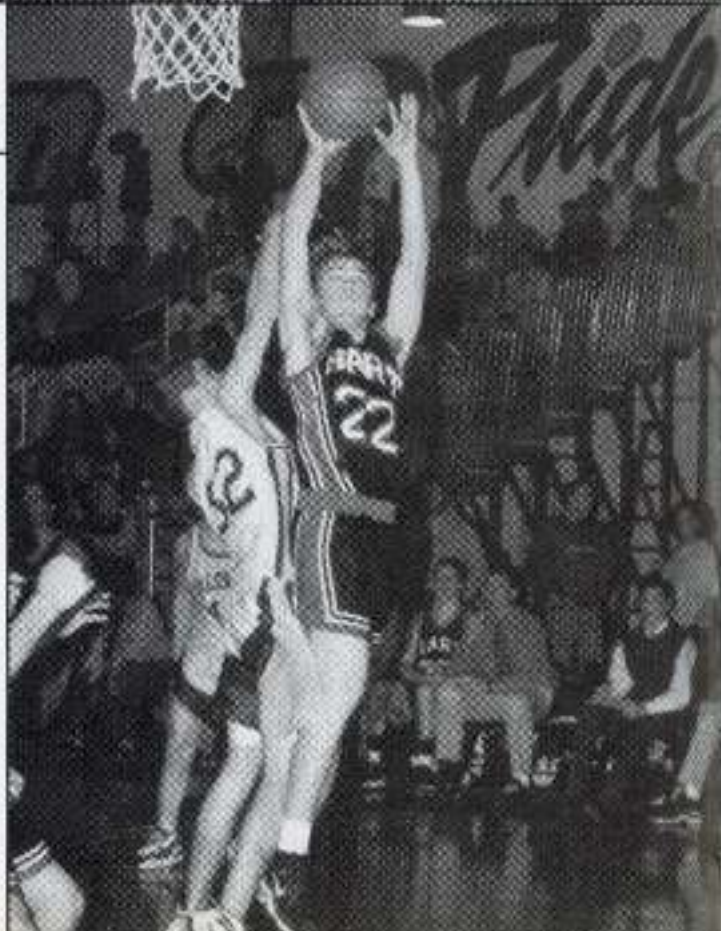


ben hamilton on:
"how to sink a basketball"

"The first thing you need to find out when shooting a basketball is your range. Some people can make a basket from 30 feet, others from two feet. After you establish your range (do this in pre-game), you need to get open. It is much easier to score when no one is in your face. If you don't have the ball, the easiest way to get open is run off a pick. If you have the ball you can give your defender a fake and go the other way. Once you have the ball and you are open, you must remember to keep your body square to the basket. Your feet must be shoulder width apart and your feet, hips, head, and shoulders must be facing the basket. Once you [have] got all this down, just shoot. Don't try to aim, just do what comes naturally."

—as told to *Bauerle Renn*

As his teammates watch on, wondering if he will make the basket, junior Quinn Valencia fights off a Valencia player to score two points.





hang time

"Eye of the Tiger" blared over the sound system as players clad in red, black, and white uniforms raced around the court. They warmed up with two line shooting and encouraged each other with high fives. When the referee blew his whistle, the players ran onto the court, ready to show their opponents what **fros**h and **junior varsity basketball** was made of. As the players stepped onto the court, they realized that they were not just playing for themselves or their fans, but played to continue "...a winning tradition," as sophomore Becky Bowen described.

Tradition alone would not have led to the success of the season. Practice was key to their victories. "You have to practice enough to gain the mental toughness you need to play," observed freshman Ryan Rich. Hours of ball handling, free throw shooting, and sprinting helped the players develop skills necessary for a sport that required physical endurance and mental strength. "Besides the obvious athletic skills," observed junior Payam Parvinchiha, "you need strong mental skills to overcome the physical obstacles throughout the game."

One mental skill was motivation. Freshman Evan Allen's inspirations were "my coaches because of their pep talks and how they teach the game [and] my family for helping me practice basketball." Freshman Kyle Matter added the freshmen and jv teams "...stand out with our attitudes and willingness to compete."

Most players felt that being on the team was worth the long hours of practice. "It pays off," said freshman Carrie Hunt, "because it teaches me to work hard and practice." For most, basketball proved to be not only a good workout, but also a happening social scene. Freshman Jenny Munroe enjoyed "...being able to play basketball with [my] friends." These friendships off the court led to victories on the court. Sophomore Joanna Hartman attributed her team's record to the fact that "...everybody worked really hard to improve themselves [which] made the whole team better."

—Claudia Lopez



JV Girls' Basketball: *Front Row:* A. Bledsoe, J. Kaufeld, J. Munroe, J. Hartman, B. Bowen, D. McQueen; *Back Row:* M. Kopie, T. Jameson, K. Teske, B. Brigand, S. Copley, Coach Euker.



JV Boys' Basketball: *Front Row:* Coach Garret; *Back Row:* T. Barkan, C. Johnson, K. Matter, T. Nicol, Q. VaVerka, L. Waters, T. Dolinsky, B. Hamilton, P. Parvinchiha, S. Olmstead, C. Ciccone.



Freshman Girls' Basketball: *Front Row:* E. Keithley, C. Calderonello, S. McIntosh, J. Choi, R. Reyes, C. Boller; *Back Row:* Coach Parkes, C. Pickett, C. Hunt, L. Jenkins, N. Rubin, T. Rosecrans, A. Merdoza, Coach Boller.



Freshman Boys' Basketball: *Front Row:* Managers A. Greenberg, K. Geating, R. Concin; *Row Two:* Coach Whitton, C. Delling, J. Espiritu, A. Davidson, P. Date, E. Lachman, Coach Miller; *Back Row:* P. Tognetti, G. Carvalho, D. Briggs, E. Pardojannis, E. Walker, E. Allen, D. Patterson, P. Hanges, R. Rich.

"Wouldn't it be easier to go under the bar?" Senior Leigh Carlson defies gravity as she easily clears the high jump.

With support and encouragement from her dad, senior Mægan Williams ices her leg after a race.

It sprinted. It jumped. It vaulted. It hurdled. It was **girls' track**. From the onset of February came a rainy and sunny season for track members. In fact, the first day of practice was canceled for all. Soon, however, the entire team practiced each school day from two to five p.m. Practice varied among the girls. Sprinters dashed through 100's, while hurdlers exercised drills. Meanwhile, shot putters lifted weights, long jumpers sprang onto mats, pole vaulters leaped over bars, and distance runners paced intervals. When El Niño hit, many checked in with the coaches and left in a flash for home. "The El Niño storms have

star track

shortened the number of practices. Fewer practices affects performance in meets," analyzed jumper Leigh Carlson.

Although practices enhanced physical strength, mental strength was essential for most. Since over 100 girls joined the team, there were plenty of sources for encouragement. "I think all of the encouragement makes everyone try and do a little better," distance runner Erica Schoenbaum expressed. On the other hand, with many members and few coaches, individual attention proved to be less than smaller teams, such as volleyball. Even with a larger team and fewer coaches, most teammates adapted to the situation. Hurdler Leslie Evans shared, "Coach Gilkey is so cool, [but] I think [many team members] make it harder to bond all together as a team." Hurdler Kami Martin added, "In a way, it takes away from the team bonding, but it's cool because the more, the better."

On the track, though, the athletes acted like a team. In spite of their specified events, many girls mingled and laughed amongst each other. Overall, many team bonds appeared evident throughout different events. During meets, most trackers sported heart stickers and red ribbons to show spirit. The uniforms the girls wore—red hooded tops, white or red and black tanks, and black shorts and pants—helped enhance team unity.

The first two meets, held at COC, were against non-league teams, South Pasadena and Antelope Valley, wherein the team won by fairly large amounts. Although the team would face similar victories and more difficult challenges, most members looked forward to their season. Whether they lost or won, trackers were meant to keep it simple, to simply have fun.

—Tiffany Martinez



Using all her strength and ability, sophomore Frankie Claus attempts to soar like an eagle over the pole vault.



In a single bound, junior Kami Martin floats in the air for a few seconds during the long jump.

Far ahead of the other competitors, juniors Lisa Murphy and Emily Card battle for the finish.



edwina valaoga



What made you want to be a sprinter?

I can't run long distances. I don't even like running my two warm-up laps.

Do you ever get discouraged?

The only time I get discouraged is when I have an injury. It doesn't seem like I can run.

Basically, I just try to treat it and watch what I

do. Another time is when we're in a relay and we're behind. I just don't want to fail. I run it like it's the last race of the day.

What has been your most memorable moment of track?

When we were running against Saugus last year, and we had to run the last relay, the 4x400, to win the meet. I was running the last leg and when it came to my turn, we were behind. On the last 150 meters, I pulled ahead and we won.

Do you enjoy the self-competition as well as competing against others?

I totally like competing against people who I don't...like on other teams. I like beating them on the track.

What do you enjoy most about your event?

The adrenaline. Since my races are short, I love the rush I get from beginning to end.

What do you like most about track meets?

I like meets because it is a cool place to meet people, and all my friends and I just have fun hanging out. Nobody's there to impress anyone, I mean, all of us are in sweats with those ugly little shorts and our hair's a mess.

—as told to Dawn Melton and Kara Takahashi



Track: Front Row: A. Ray, M. Castro, A. Jaramillo, T. Wilson, A. Druckman, T. Heberer, S. Winget, S. Gilbride, M. Williams, D. Walter, J. Orlich, A. Greenberg, C. Hasler, D. Lindley, J. Marcial, R. Henry, N. Shaw, L. Resler, E. Lewis; Row Two: E. Butler, T. Barnett, D. Secha, J. Willardson, J. Coleman, A. O'Hara, C. Ali, J. Goldman, H. Aldana, A. Lammann, K. Takahashi, C. Park, D. Melton, A. Blackburn, R. Greiner, K. McDowell, C. Kase, D. Azejon, K. Ali, S. Garcia, B. Price, J. Cotton; Row Three: Coach Gilkey, Coach Goldman, Coach Barnett, Coach Lee, L. Evans, K. Schiller, J. Bravo, J. Carbajal, K. Cookston, J. Vernon, J. Lopez, N. Moolton, C. King, B. Walker, A. Barrelli, L. Mercado, A. Tomnaga, C. Dink, J. Willardson, Coach Dunsterley, Coach Muller, Coach Funk, Coach David; Row Four: J. Peyton, W. Phillips, E. Jackson, J. Wollin, T. Hetman, P. Charero, L. Carlson, G. McIntosh, F. Claus, K. Baker, A. Mendoza, K. Racz, K. Gonzalez, M. Bagley, J. Young, E. Schoenbaum, B. Seo, C. House, E. Valaoga, J. Flick, R. McPhail, T. Meidrum, N. Sandoval; Row Five: K. Pritchett, D. Zeltzer, K. Bardin, M. Bailey, C. James, M. Davis, D. Capullos, M. Weinstein, N. Boyd, J. Cummings, J. David, L. Feldman, C. Mandenhall, R. Lafferty, E. Legler, F. Hussain, K. Walls, T. James, T. Barsan, E. Herrick, A. Marly; Row Six: J. Jorgensen, T. Aseius, G. Peyton, C. Davis, C. Serra, N. Stuka, S. Thompson, K. Davis, R. Tomnaga, C. Neilson, S. Lavoie, J. Morales, K. Killian, C. Thomas, J. Parraman, C. Chavez, S. Newman, J. Lynch, T. Wilson, S. Avery, D. O'Brien; Row Seven: J. Solano, C. Chavez, M. Abrazado, J. McDonald, T. Upmum, K. Davis, K. Best, C. Ingram, C. Gibbons, A. Shaw, K. Martin, L. Murphy, G. Boyd, S. Boyd, A. Weitzman, E. Curi, T. Martinez, F. Henderson, D. Watson, S. Ramirez; Row Eight: K. Meyer, M. Lee, C. Koskie, D. Blackburn, A. Smith, N. Dallas, M. Whalen, M. Anderson, K. Davis, R. Bell, M. Baker, E. Roach, B. McClure, P. Roessler, T. Givens, J. Hiscock, B. Benaway, S. Griffiths, N. Adawiyz.

schedule

South Pasadena
Antelope Valley
Burroughs
Meet of Champions @
Azusa Pacific University
Saugus
Gordon Steward Invitational
@ Rio Mesa
Arcadia Invitational
Canyon
Mt. SAC Invitational
Valencia
Burbank

League

In anticipation of the starter's second whistle, senior Eric Roach positions his body in the block.



brent benaway

What made you want to be a thrower?

Well, during the off-season, we were doing a lot of running and I heard that my friends, who were throwers, weren't doing much. So I decided to join track and field to avoid running.

How long have you been on the team? Do you plan on pursuing this sport in college?

I've been throwing since my sophomore year, so this is my third year. Hopefully, I will continue when I get to college.

What do you like best about throwing?

I've always liked the frisbee/flying saucer aspect. I also like the fact that I can drive myself to do better and that I can teach other teammates how to do better.

Do you have any specific goals for this season?

I would really like to beat the school record which I think is 184 feet. I would also like to progress at least 20 feet from 150 feet. These are pretty much some long term goals.

What are your favorite memories?

Last year, another teammate beat me by a couple of feet. That made me really angry. So, I continued to work hard and became better.

What do you expect to gain from this experience?

I can't wait to beat my [opponents]. Hopefully, I will end up with a League Championship medal. I just really like having the chance to do my best.
—as told to Anne Lecrivain





Hurling himself into the air after a quick sprint, junior Trevor Upham hopes for a good landing.



Leading the pack with only a couple hurdles to go, junior Brian Terry scurries to the finish line.



With a quick start and a fast pace, sophomore Kevin Pritchett begins his race.

the track pack

As the final bell resounded, ending yet another fulfilling school day, the determined **boys' track** team still remained on the field to run one more lap, jump one more hurdle, or throw one more shot-put. On some afternoons, the boys were forced to battle against the torrential rains of El Niño. Other days were spent baking in the fiery sun that beat down upon the dusty track. Despite the ever-changing weather conditions and aggravating injuries that occasionally plagued the team, the intense training schedule paid off for most members when a perfect vault was executed or a greater distance was jumped.

Yet, some asked, why endure the pain and agony? Why embrace the great commitment? Distance runner Ryan Tominaga spoke for the majority of the team when he confessed that "[finishing] a race in first place" was what really motivated him to push himself to the limit. Meanwhile, sprinter Drew Abejon's enthusiasm was boosted by "the cheering of the crowds and trying to give 110%." However, it was simply "the people cheering during [his] race" that kept distance runner Julio Solano running in circles. High jumper Daniel Griffiths found participating in track especially rewarding because "[he could] wear those short shorts without getting beat up."

Unlike most sports, track challenged athletes to compete as individuals, yet still cooperate together as a team. "My goals are just to improve my times and have fun while doing it," declared distance runner Trevon Wilson. On the other hand, long jumper Chad Carlson boldly admitted his true intentions were merely "to improve [his] leg muscles and firm up [his] bootie." Whatever the reason athletes had to participate in track, they sacrificed many exhausting hours of practice for the sake of improvement. Beyond the raw talent and skill scattered throughout the field; however, strength, perseverance, and attitude ultimately combined to create a solid foundation upon which to build.

—Erin Butler and Georgia Boyd



Testing up the track, junior James Morales drives his arms and pumps his legs to glory.



Psych'd up for a good practice, freshman Anne Glenn tucks her hair into her swim cap.

license to dive

It all started 16 years ago. With a rich tradition of League Championships for 16 consecutive years, the **girls' swim** teams embarked on yet another season filled with innumerable laps, practices, and races.

The first meet at Royal, in which both JV and varsity made a winning sweep, foretold the future victories of the season. Junior Jennifer Marcus pointed out, "[I liked] competing against a team that actually offers competition. It was nice for a change." Besides competing, swimmers focused on wrapping themselves in parkas, cheering wildly for fellow teammates, and wishing good luck to upcoming swimmers at meets. Sophomore Lauren Rouleau remarked, "It's nice to have people cheering for you at the end of the lane." On the other hand, sophomore Annie McElwain considered, "the parkas!" her favorite aspect of swimming, while junior Ashley Holmes laughed, that she liked, "guys in speedos," the best.

Although weather ran wildly because of the ever looming El Niño, every day (including in-service and spring break days) swimmers persevered through challenging workouts. Senior Briana Whitmore half-jokingly exclaimed, "Practices are wonderful! We swim, we swim hard, we swim fast. It is only an hour and a half of pure pleasure." Meanwhile, junior Beth Liescheidt enjoyed "...making new friends..." but detested "the feeling you get in your stomach right before you jump in the pool for a race." Freshman Anne Glenn concluded, "If you don't win, it's not the end of the world as long as you have a good time."

—Leona Kwon

Whoosh! Sprinter Colleen McEachern dives into the water and attempts to kick freestyle underwater for the length of the pool.



Girls' Swimming: *Front Row:* K. Howard, J. Hartman, M. Petros, L. Kwee, H. Suer, J. Lischi, S. Meos, H. Swanson, D. Sternberg, A. Garside; *Row Two:* J. Zelirski, M. Simmons, J. Chen, V. Funderberg, K. Bruer, M. Lincoln, J. Marcus, H. Jones, M. Blackster, B. Long, P. Almeida; *Row Three:* Coach Neale, J. Prohelm, A. McElwain, R. Shertzman, B. Liescheidt, S. Rockel, T. Cashman, R. Mendoza, E. Mussard, C. Gordon, Coach Martin; *Row Four:* D. Gordon, E. Kim, A. Short, B. Whitmore, J. Tsakoumakis, N. Rubin, T. McKeighan, E. Holmes, A. Holmes, L. Rouleau, B. Van Sickle; *Back Row:* E. Frick, E. Jacobs, R. Meos, A. Glenn, M. Magnuson, C. Castellano, S. Whitmore, L. Kwon.



Gasping for air between strokes, freshman Tava Cashman completes her butterfly drill. Swimmers perfected their stroke by alternating swimming, kicking, and pulling.



What is a significant thing that has happened to you since you began swimming?

Making finals at CIF and placing third in both [of] my events.

What sparked your interest in swimming?

I started swimming in my backyard when I was 18 months old, and I started competitive swimming when I was ten or eleven years old. I have always loved being in the water and swimming around [and I've] been competitive in everything I do.

What are some of the benefits of swimming in comparison to other sports?

You have the best body in the world, I can tell you that. The team togetherness is so great... The team is always pulling together and they're always cheering for everybody.

What are some of your swim-based goals?

[Olympics] are a goal, actually more of a dream. I think it's possible if I just keep training and work hard. My goal right now is to make Senior Nationals and go from there, maybe win CIF.

Is there a goal that have you set and accomplished?

I made Junior Nationals as a sophomore. There are two types of nationals—Junior Nationals and Senior Nationals. There are time requirements for both. [Also] I went to CIF and I got third.

—as told to Annie Parr

alena henrich



schedule

Crescenta Valley
 Valencia
 Burroughs
 Canyon
 Burbank
 Royal Invitational
 Saugus
 League

As freshman Lucia Kwon takes a quick break between laps, she readjusts her goggles.



anthony ervin

How did you start swimming?

Well, I started swimming [when I was] around seven years old, and the reason I started was that my older brother swam. He got me really interested in it and he was the one who initially taught me how to swim, at least the basics of it. All through my life he has been my role model.

What are the worst parts about swimming?

I'd have to say the time taken away from the rest of [my] life because of training.

Describe any unusual habits you have when you swim.

When we're doing a really long set, I [will] fade out. Time will pass, and I won't even know what happened until I'm done. I'll remember beginning swimming, and then I'll be at the wall and I'll be like, 'Whoa.'

How much do you practice every week?

From two to three hours of swimming each day, plus an hour of weightlifting every other day.

How many suits do you think you've gone through since you first started swimming?

Wow. I don't know. Probably like a 100.

With all that swimming, how do you manage to make time for schoolwork?

I'm too cool for schoolwork, and most of my social life is swimming.

How does being on a team help you in meets?

Being on a swim team helps motivate me to give my all-out effort because I'm swimming not only for myself, but also for the team, because the team is the most important part.

If you could sum up your feelings toward swimming in one word, what would it be?

Dedication.

—as told to Jen Jen Chen

Gasping for air, freshman Howard Harris makes his way down the lane.



Boys' Swimming: Front

- Row: R. Shephard, I.
- Leaf, S. Iwanicki, S.
- Allison, B. Garon, M.
- Carroll, C. Dawson, J.
- Chen; Row Two: J.
- Preheim, Coach Neale, T.
- Allison, G. Yohanna, M.
- Hall, D. Meister, L. Bent,
- A. Calams, H. Harris, N.
- Yancey, Coach Martin;
- Back Row: H. Biggers, C.
- Kneppock, A. Ervin, R.
- Parmerder, J. Terwilliger,
- E. Rechner, D. Frucht, E.
- Pritchett, G. Garon, D.
- Ervin, C. Sainkerik, L.
- O'Keefe.



Basking in the sun, sophomore Matt Hall (right) waits for second practice to start. Between practices, many swimmers opt to improve their tans.

off the deep end



With the look of a pro, freshman Julius Chen speeds through the pool with each cut of the breaststroke.

Though most members of the boys' swim team worked hard to defend its League Champion title, they kept in mind that, even for them, swimming also could be fun. Despite the perpetual chlorine scent in their skin, the tight lycra suit, and the freezing water during the winter months, most boys appreciated the constant support that their teammates provided. "The best part about swimming is being with all your friends at the meets and cheering each other on," remarked freshman Austen Calams. On the other hand, junior David Frucht added, "The best part of swimming is standing on the blocks in anticipation before a race."

Besides learning how to execute a perfect flip turn, how to glide into a breaststroke pull-out, or how to dive cleanly into the water, these swimmers also learned valuable lessons to use later in life. Freshman Michael Carroll admitted that swimming and competing under pressure has made him "more self-confident."

The swimmers not only relied on their incredible aquatic abilities, but also their superstitions. "My good luck charm is the 'chicken,' a stuffed animal that varies [among] animal types. It was started as a boys' varsity tradition the year before I joined," explained junior Gary Garon. Whether they depended on a perfect stroke or a barnyard animal, most of the boys' swim team realized that hard work and exhausting practices were the only way to keep their position as a top-notch team. Likewise, these intense practices did not daunt swimmers who were determined to do their best. Freshman Vincent Chang summed up, "I think there is a simple will in everybody to try to strive and do their best. Some people ignore it, yet some tap into it and those are usually the people who succeed. Whether we will admit to it or not, competition is the one thing which powers us all."

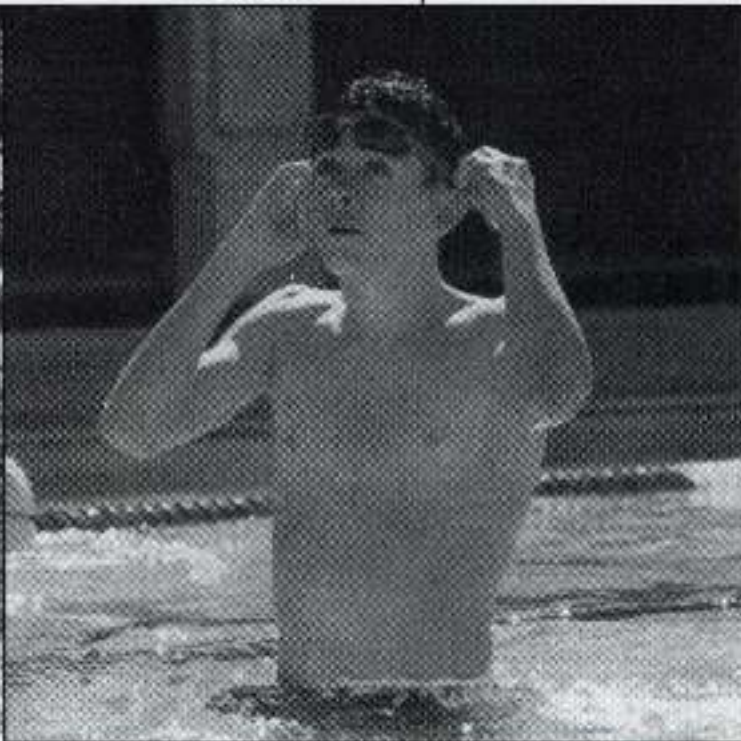
—Jen Jen Chen

With grace and ease, freshman Devon Meister (left) displays his freestyle stroke at practice. For conditioning, swimmers swim long freestyle sets.



schedule

Boys Millikan Relays
Crescenta Valley
Valencia
Burroughs
Canyon
Burbank
Royal Invitational
Saugus
League



At the end of a lap set, freshman Jason Leaf takes the opportunity to get a few words of instruction from the coach.

Think fast! Junior Kortney Downer flips a softball to a fellow teammate.

America's favorite pastime came to campus through the **varsity softball** team. "Softball is a ton of fun, once you get [past] all the hard work," sophomore Megan Patrick continued, "We have determination to put out all we have." This determination shined when they finished a pre-season tournament with three wins and one lost. Furthermore, the team won their next three games.

A strong bond among teammates caused some of these victories. Junior Kortney Downer commented, "You can make such good friends and can always count on the players and coaches to be there for you. Also, you can have fun, [but]

right off the bat

at the same time you have to be serious." Although the team comprised of all ages, abilities, and levels of experience, team unity remained strong. One of five freshmen on the team, Sara Dean believed "...our team has great potential." Sophomore Amanda Fortune agreed, "The best thing about playing [on the team] is all of the players. Every one of them is talented and brings something to the team. That's what makes it nice to play here. The team atmosphere is great. Everyone is supportive of one another, and all of us work hard to get things right." Senior Anna Nordhagen "liked playing softball because all my friends are playing with me. Some of the girls I have played with for almost ten years."

Many players, like Anna, stuck to softball for so long because it was their favorite sport, despite the amount of time demanded. Some girls, however, took the time as an opportunity to have fun—right off the bat.

—Megan Fotheringham and Lesley Scribner



Time out! To exchange strategies, catcher Sara Dean and pitcher Casey Pickard confer at the mound.



schedule

Cerritos
 Azusa
 Harvard Westlake
 Cerritos
 Chaminade
 Lodi
 La Brea
 Fountain Valley Tournament
 Highland
 Burbank
 Harvard Westlake
 Saguas
 Burroughs
 Valencia
 Thousand Oaks Tournament
 Canyon

League



courtney sherlock

What has been your motivation this season?
It's my senior year so my motivation is just that it's my last year. I ended [up] doing really [well] in the season last year. So, I want to do the same this season.

How did you first become interested in softball?
I played tee ball when I was little. I've always played since I was really little.

What has been your most embarrassing moment while playing softball?
I totally fell in tryouts! I was running to first base and I fell on my face in front of everyone.

In what ways has softball affected the decisions you make in your life?
Well, I'm always practicing so it takes up a lot of my time. Oh, also, for prom, we had to choose whether we'd play the game on prom day. So, we have to play the game and rush home to get ready for prom.

—as told to Bauerle Renn

After hitting the ball, senior Kellie Nordhagen prepares to round the bases.



Varsity Softball: Front Row: C. Pickard, C. Sherlock, K. Nordhagen, S. Hillbrook, S. Dean, J. Burrows, K. Lueke, B. Bowen; Row Two: Coach Gomez, B. Kentfield, J. Evans, M. Patrick, N. Weinstein, A. Nordhagen, K. Downer, A. Fortune, L. Kantra, B. Collieran; Back Row: Coach Weil, Coach McKay.

step up to the plate

"I love the dirt on the infield. Sliding into a base head first covers me with [it]. The best part is knocking the dirt off [my] uniform," senior Brian Barrios declared. At the same time, most of the team agreed that one of the greatest parts of baseball was hitting a ball above an opponent's head and running all the way home. Junior Tim Hutting waited eight years to hit his first home run. "It was the best feeling of my life," he described. After sophomore Jamie Shields "... hits one out of the park, [he] love[s] rounding the bases real slow and rubbing it in."

Home runs, in addition to country tunes, excited baseball players. Every day, favorite country songs echoed across the practice field as players improved their strength, skill, and agility. Their practice routine began with stretches and warm-ups; continued with infields, outfields, and game situations; and ended with batting practice. Senior Chris Wright remarked, "If you have a good work ethic in practice, you will do great in game situations." While some worked harder to sharpen skills in areas of pitching, batting, and catching, sophomore Matt Friedrichsen revealed, "I'm going to work on listening to my coach and doing what he says the first time he tells me."

Furthermore, because the varsity team had only fifteen players, many felt a special team bond. Secret "unmentionable" traditions kept the team tight, while embarrassing fellow team members amused the team. In addition, team dinners and speeches before every game kept most

players motivated. Sophomore Marke Horvat explained, "[Coach Murray] is an extremely demanding coach who makes [us] work very hard. I've learned so much about baseball from him in only two years. I'm wondering how much I'll know in two more years. I wouldn't want to play for anybody else."

Overall, the dedication and expectations remained high among the majority of the players. Most felt that the team worked toward greatness and would go far in League. However, players agreed that no matter how well they tried, the overall experience of baseball was well worth the effort. Sophomore Ryan Haag explained, "[Baseball] makes life more relaxing and fun, but also teaches [lessons] for later in life."

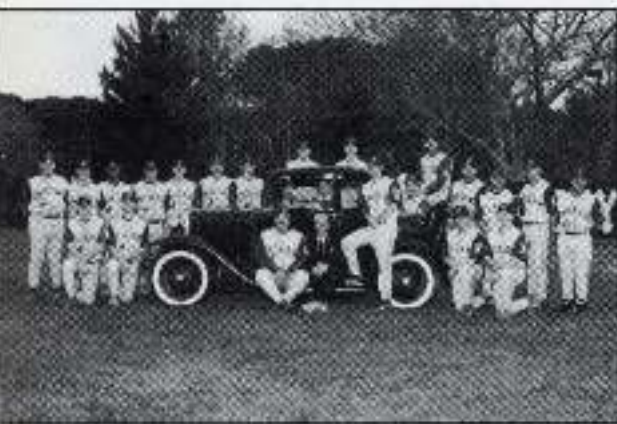
—Kristine McDowell

After detecting Loyola senior Andy Davidson (right) smooths the pitcher's mound.

With the help of his mighty glove, senior Nicky Menardo (middle right) catches the pop fly that sends the other team out.

In perfect batting stance, senior Chris Wright (far right) prepares for a grand slam.

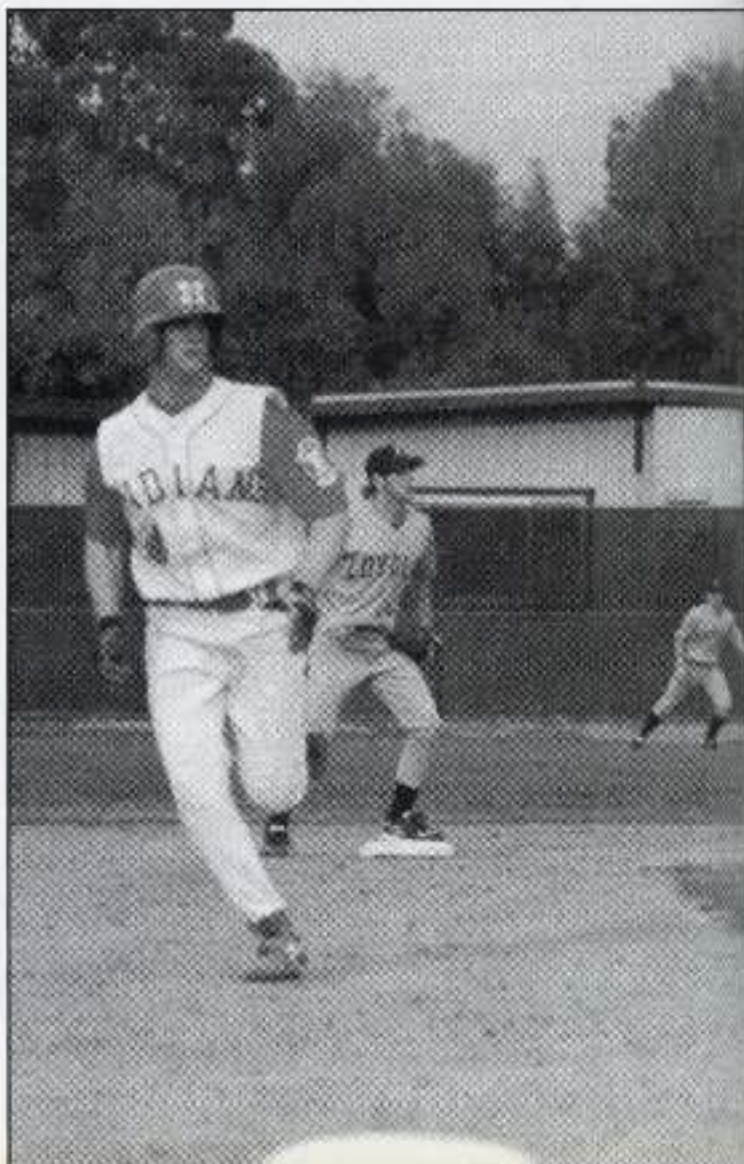
Fully extending his arm, sophomore Jamie Shields (bottom right) musters all his strength for a powerful curve ball.



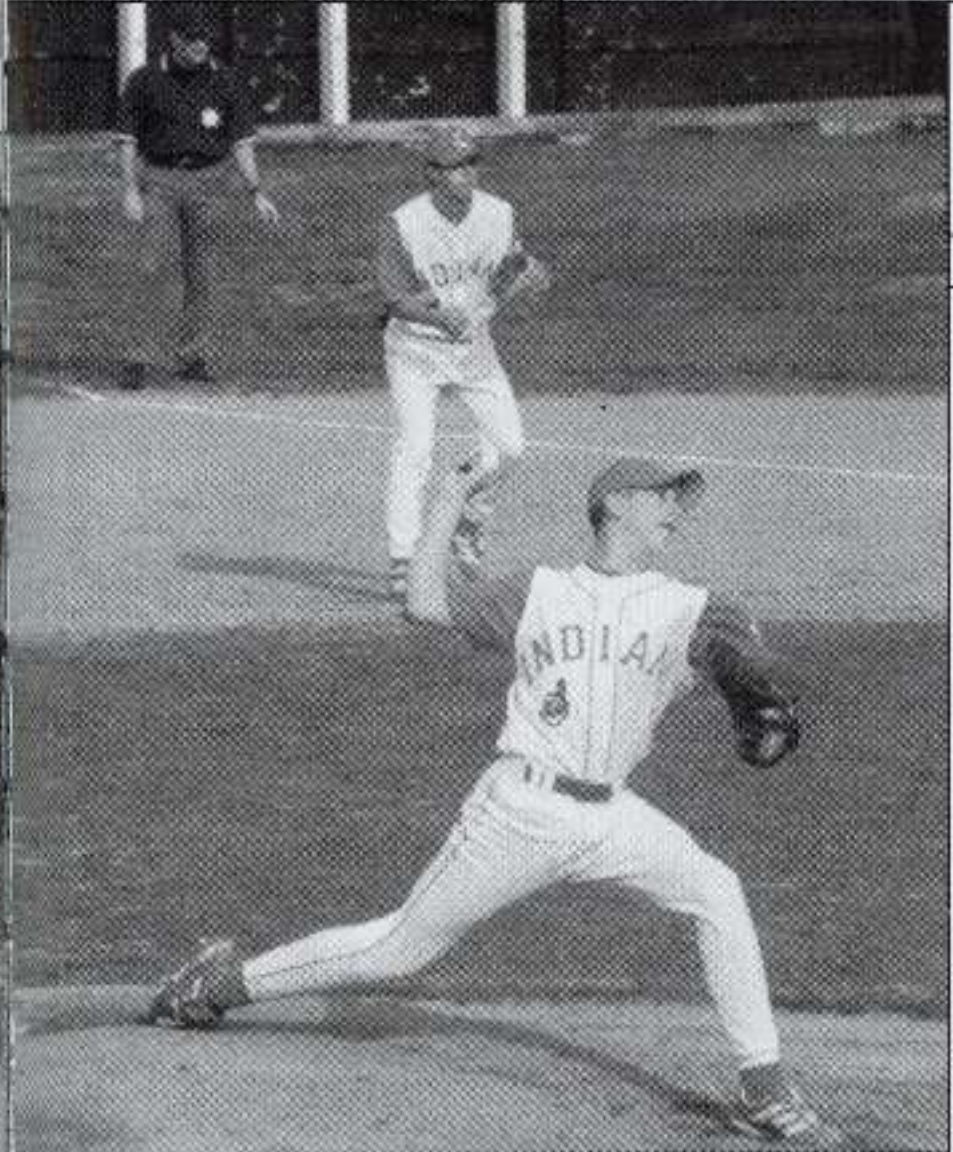
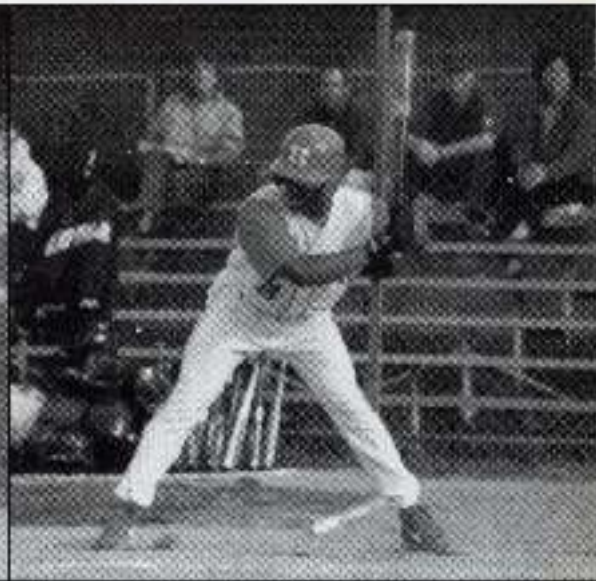
Varsity Baseball: Front Row: J. Stotts, J. Wiley, Coach Halkovich, L. Fiscas, T. Richardson, J. Baum, R. Haag; Row Two: Coach Murray, M. Horvat, C. Wright, M. Friedrichsen, J. Shields, J. Reyes, B. Barrios, Coach O'Brien, Coach Craft, Coach Snider, N. Merceda, T. Hutting, J. Baron; Back Row: A. Davidson, J. Gaeta, Coach Toledo.

schedule

Westside Tournament
 Burbank
 Saugus
 El Dorado
 Burroughs
 Canyon
 Valencia
 Sierra Foothill Tournament
 Canyon
 Canyon
 Burbank
 Burbank
 Saugus
 Saugus
 League



Slyly, senior Jeff Gaeta steals third base when nobody's looking.



What position do you play? And what role do you have on the field?

Shortstop. I tell people where to go and what to do.

Why did you choose to play baseball?

College reasons and stuff, and for a college education.



j.t. stotts

How does baseball differ from other sports, like basketball?

Baseball is more of a thinking game because you have to use your head. Basketball is more of a physical sport.

What do you think makes a good baseball team?

Everybody's together and everybody likes each other. Just being smart out there.

Do you and your teammates get along all the time?

Almost everyone does.

Who influenced you to play baseball?

My dad. Once I got here, Coach Murray.

Do you ever get nervous before a game?

Yeah, sometimes. I try to stay as calm as possible.

How old were you when you started to play baseball?

About eight years old.

Who taught you how to play baseball?

Mainly, my dad and Coach Murray right now. He taught me practically everything. Coach Murray, yeah, he's been a real big help.

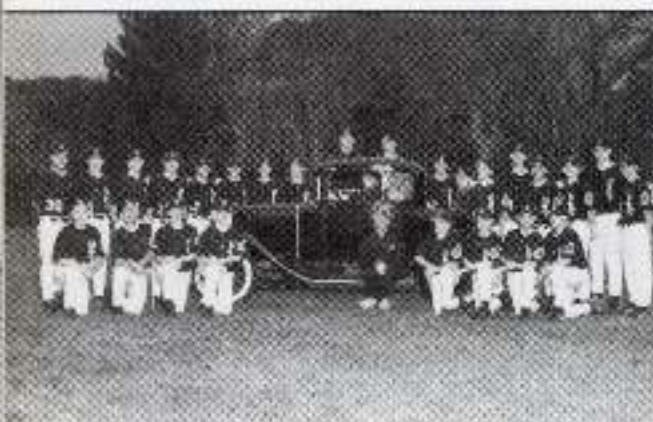
—as told to Rebekah Tenney



JV Softball: *Front Row:* D. Valenziano, K. Hauserman, S. McInosh, N. Salazar; *Rear Two:* D. Cole, R. Reyes, V. Neavitt, C. Caldaronello, E. Keithley; *Back Row:* Coach Stotts, L. Jenkins, J. Cull, B. Collesano, C. Morgan, T. Neilson, Coach Hunt.



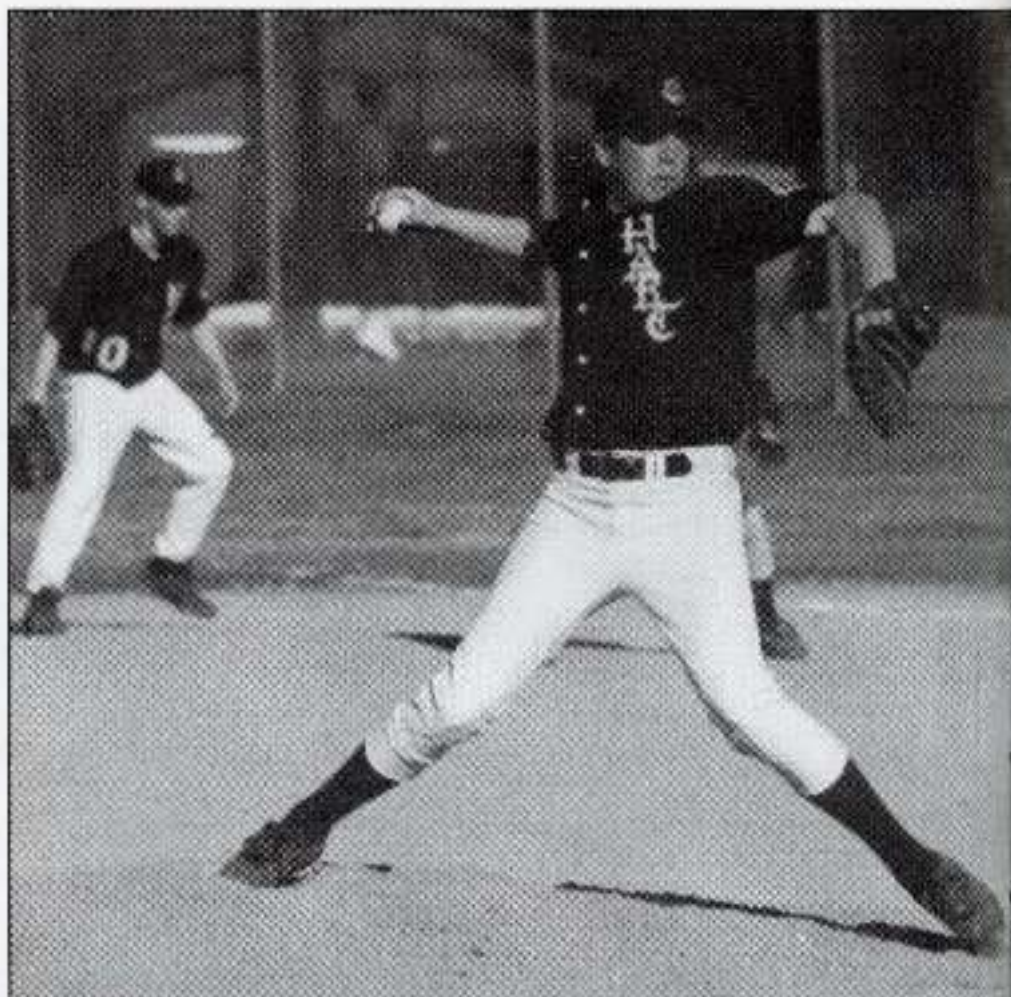
JV Baseball: *Front Row:* T. Baresi, R. Chavez, S. Yannich, J. Marchionda, L. Fiscus, J. Daniel, H. Ramco, M. Stone-Gross; *Back Row:* M. Lorchello, S. Gross, C. Fry, J. Bach, J. Kusumi, J. Aloisi, Coach Mirrett, Coach Dean, E. Jakimczak, S. Robinson, Coach Crupland, J. Gross, C. O'Hara, J. Calotto, B. Montemayor, K. Burn, S. Hoffmann, N. Lemar, J. Kerogle.



Freshman Baseball: *Front Row:* B. Fortune, E. Ruiz, D. Romesa, K. Lingren, L. Fiscus, C. Coronos, T. Hamilton, B. Cornell, M. Wills; *Back Row:* C. Teran, K. Dancho, B. Koontz, M. Miller, J. Whitcomb, B. Susdorf, P. Tognetti, E. Anderson, Coach Dean, Coach Wallas, K. Newman, C. Gagnon, Coach Ott, K. Quintana, C. Burrows, N. Juarez, N. Enciso, E. Peshvarius, A. Barries.

Eat my dust! Sophomore Joe Aloisi slides into third base.

Preparing to strike out his opponent, freshman Billy Susdorf winds up a powerful pitch.



straight from the dugout

"You need to work hard, give it your best, and have fun. Attitude and determination are everything!"

—Sophomore Tim Baresi, jv baseball

"No matter what you do or how you play, your team will always be there to back you up."

—Sophomore Casey Morgan, jv softball

There is no "I" in team:

"Knowing my teammates are around me, supporting me, and backing me up is the greatest feeling!"

—Sophomore Danielle Cole, jv softball

"Being a part of the team has taught me the importance of working with others."

—Sophomore Stephen Hoffmann, jv baseball

Who you admire:

"Cal Ripken Jr. because he works hard while still making it fun for others."

—Sophomore Scott Yannich, jv baseball

"All women playing in professional sports. They give me hope that maybe someday there will be a professional softball team."

—Sophomore Danielle Cole, jv softball

"My grandfather because he played the sport he loves while earning a college degree."

—Sophomore Stephen Hoffmann, jv baseball

—compiled by Lori Dzieciolowski



diamonds rough^{in the}

"The number one quality of a baseball player is that you have to be a team player. You don't play for yourself, you play for the team," stated freshman Evan Allen. The **freshman/jv baseball** and **jv softball** teams started out to win league with an undefeated record. The teams, striving to perfect their games, practiced daily. Working on key areas such as hitting, pitching, and catching, team members focused on different skills.

Many of those on the teams had been playing for years. Sophomore Joe Marchionda decided to play baseball because "...you don't have to be tall to play." On the other hand, sophomore Danielle Cole enjoyed softball because she received "a sense of being part of something important." Similarly, freshman Nick Enciso boasted about his position on "...a traditional winning team."

Many of these in and out fielders proved to have the essential qualities that made them a "winning team." One of those qualities was being a team player. Freshman Evan Anderson understood that on the diamond, "not

everything revolves around [me]." Sophomore Casey Morgan added, "No matter what you do or how you play, your team will be there to back you up."

Teammates and coaches encouraged the players to strive for a successful season. In fact, freshman Mike Miller admired, "Coach Wallace because he pumps you up and tells you that you can do it and you feel you can do anything." Having inspiration from other students wasn't uncommon either. "[Sophomore] Danny Delido is my idol. He inspires me in every sport I play," declared sophomore Joe Aloisi.

Thus, softball and baseball players are "just an out above the rest," joked freshman Sarah McIntosh. All in all, "it's in a league of its own," remarked sophomore Chris Fry.

—Heather Harris and Tyler Meldrum

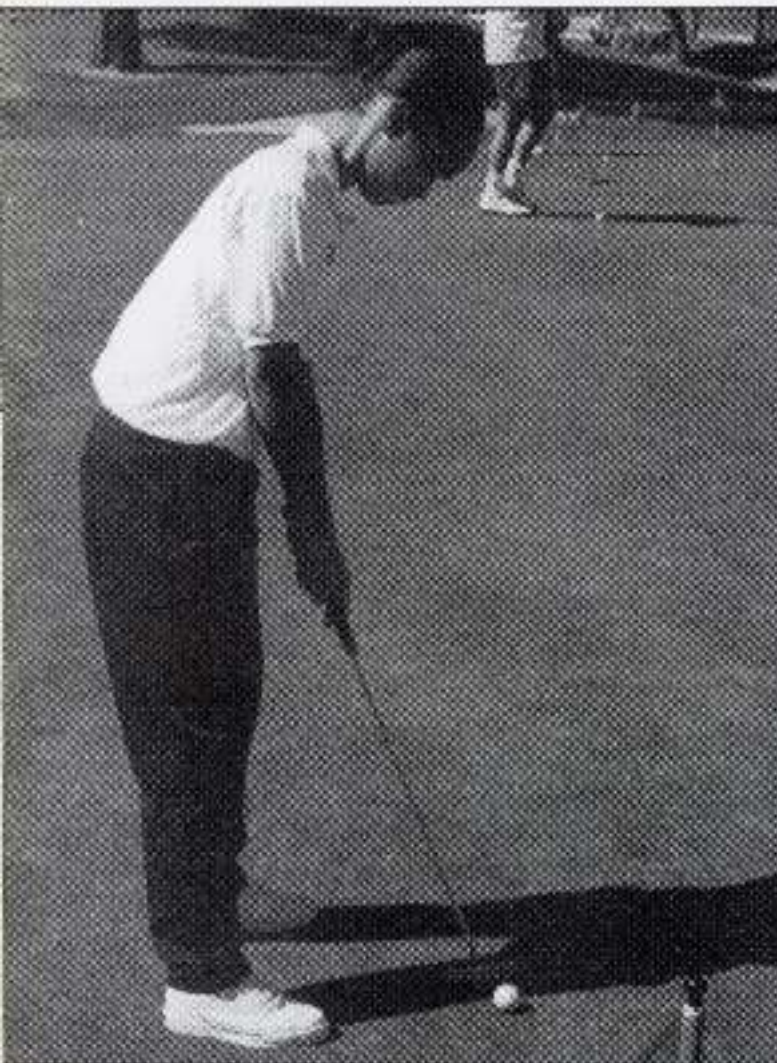
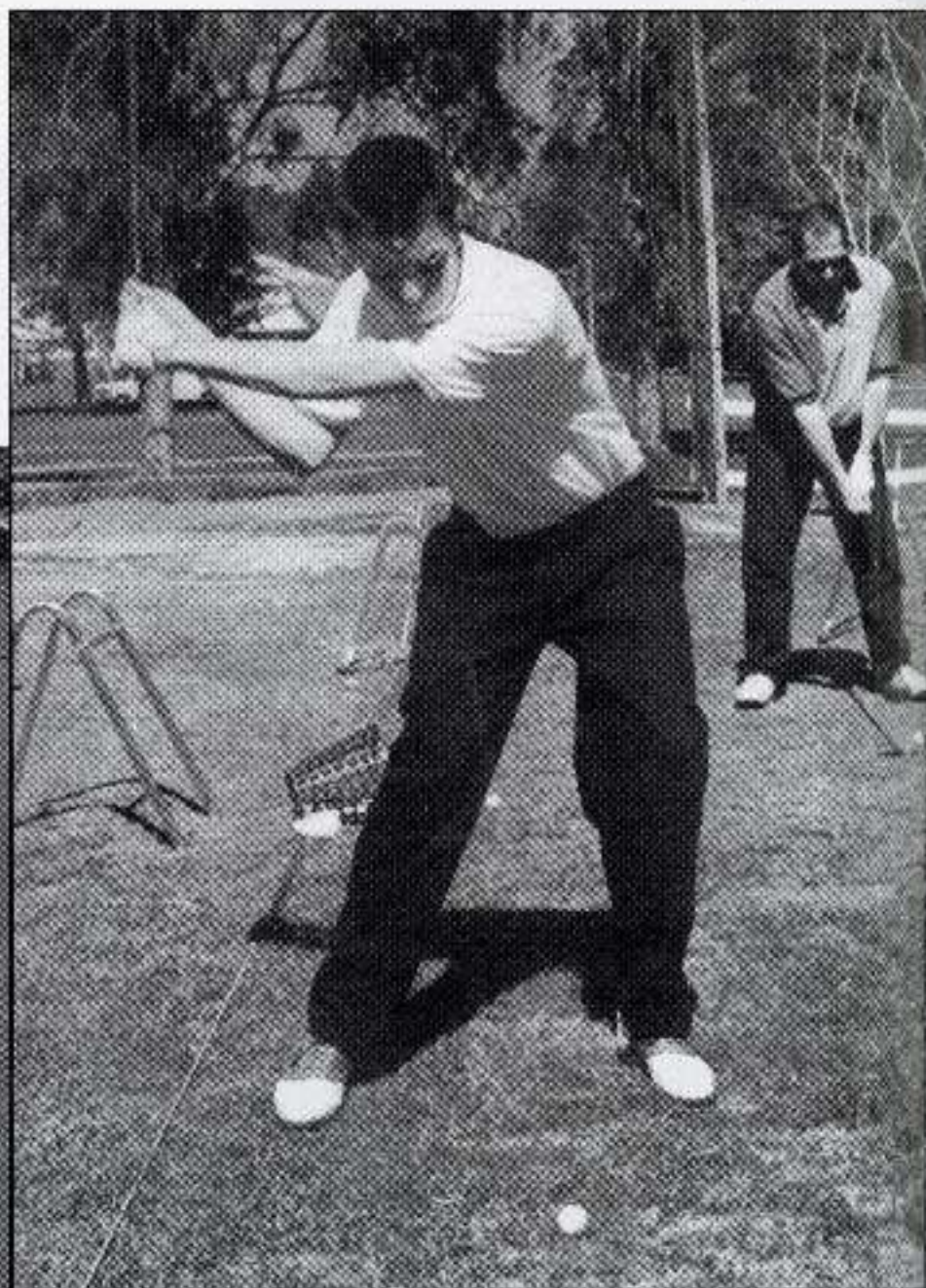


In the infield, freshman Carly Caldaracello scoops up a ground ball.



GOLF: Front Row: K. Langer, A. Arnold, B. Wallace, C. Stinson, A. Smith, J. Vasek; Back Row: Coach Harrington, L. Jones, D. Sullivan, M. Lauver, J. Edwards, D. Prutting, A. Tate, J. Szembieda, J. Pickard, Coach Ford; Back Row: G. Vardier, C. Smith, R. Wyman, J. Carruthers

With strict concentration and tedious precision, sophomore David Sullivan takes practice seriously.



Undaunted by the fact that she's the only girl on a team of 17 boys, sophomore Alexis Arnold takes her time as she plays the hole.

charlie smith



What has been your motivation for golf?

The reason I kinda liked the sport was because, [with] all the other sports I could play, my dad could tell me what to do. With golf, he couldn't tell me what to do. *Do you feel as if you have a certain position on the team since you're a senior?* Yeah, even last year, I was one of the oldest. I always tried to give little pep talks before tournaments. And the very first time I tried it, I gave a pep talk and we broke the team record!

In what ways has golf impacted your life?

Decision making. I can tell when I have golf, I make a lot of better decisions because [golf is] something that occupies a lot of my time. So there's not a lot of time to do bad things. You know, like if I'm not working or going to school. I don't know what to do cause that extra time is usually occupied by golf. But I mean, it got me into UCLA. There's times where I just kinda want to say, 'Okay, I'm going to take a little break. But without golf, I mean, I wouldn't be sitting here right now doing this interview. I wouldn't be getting my name in the newspaper. Just a lot of things that wouldn't have happened to me have happened to me because of golf.

—as told to Bauerte Renn

swing kids

"You need to have a ball and club. The ball is lined up about one inch behind your front heel. Line up the club head to the ball. With one full and graceful motion, use your hips and shoulders to swing the club back and up. Start your downswing with the same graceful motion you began. Pull hard with your hips down and through the golf ball. Keep turning until you cannot turn anymore. Hold your hands high with your arms extended for at least three seconds," sophomore Nick Langer explained how to hit a golf ball. On the course, the object was simple, the game delicate—all attention was focused on sinking the cratered white golf ball. Neither pom poms nor loud fans distracted the **golf** team as members set up their stroke. However, senior Brandon Wallace focused on something other than taking his next shot—"repeating as individual Foothill League Champ."

Each player on the golf team had his own goals. "All of our players are determined

to get better," explained junior Mark Lauver. In order to improve, players were willing to "walk several miles in hot, rainy, [or] cold weather," remarked sophomore Chris Stimson. The greens of Vista Valencia, where the team practiced, became familiar territory.

How players became acquainted with golf varied among the team. For junior Jesse Honea, "My dad was out playing all the time and I just wanted to see what he did all day." Even though the reasons why golfers chose their sport differed, most agreed golf was more than just a hobby.

Thus, the team practiced together and pursued a common goal—triumphs. The varsity team had a league record of 349 wins, zero losses, and one tie since 1990. The JV team had a league record of 175 wins and zero losses for the nine previous years. Coach Ford commented on the past triumphs of his team, "The team continued its unparalleled success in league, winning another League Championship, making it nine League Championships in a row for both the varsity and JV teams." Like Coach Ford, the team felt their past success foreshadowed future victory, which they wished to uphold not only for one season, but for seasons to come.

—Annie Parr

Relaxed and in control, senior Brandon Wallace prepares for his turn by taking a few practice strokes.

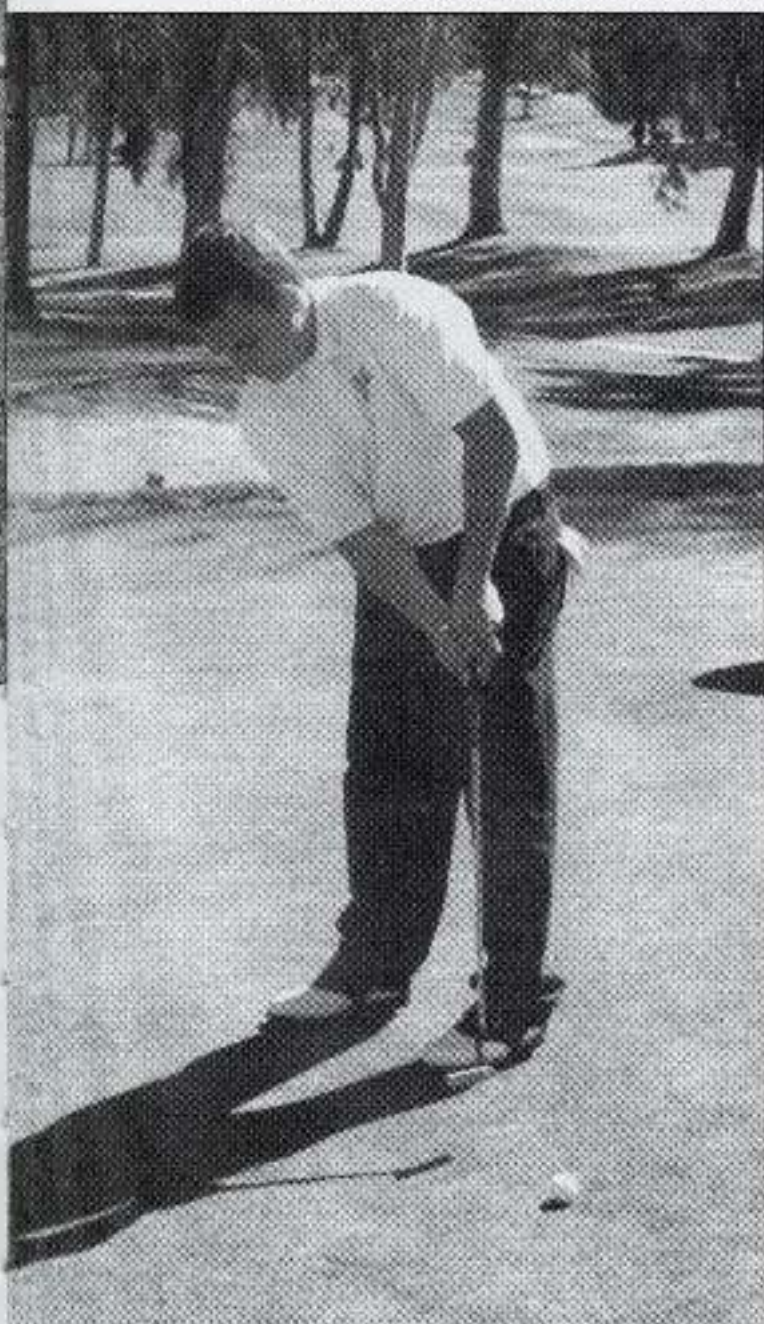


Precisely lining up his shot, senior Adrian Lee prepares for a long putt.

schedule

Newbury Park
 Antelope Valley
 Notre Dame
 Westlake
 Agoura
Valencia
 Newbury Park
 Lompoc Tournament
 DeBell Tournament
 Saugus
 Notre Dame / Alenany
 Team Finals
 Individual Finals
 SCSA-CIF

League



One word that summed up cheerleading was new. A new coach, a new national competition, a new routine, and a new year of memories.

With Shelly Gramatky, the new coach, came strenuous daily conditioning. Consequently, "we all get bruises...and some girls [even] missed events...because of injuries. [Because of that] cheerleading is definitely a sport!" exclaimed freshman Lindsay Rice. Although cheerleading is considered a sport, cheerleaders did not wear jerseys or shorts for uniforms. Instead, they wore skirts. Junior Lindsay Gams thought, "Skirts are appropriate. They add to the 'girl' aspect of [cheerleading]. However, shorts would also be appropriate considering we tumble and fly and skirts can be revealing."

Spending a lot of time together helped the girls create bonds, bonds aided by the "sister system," in which the oldest members of the team helped out the newest members. Junior Candice Hill explained, "It exchanged a sense of companionship with the younger girls so they didn't get lost in the big sea of high school."

Senior Stacie Cruikshank added, "The cheerleaders are more like a sisterhood

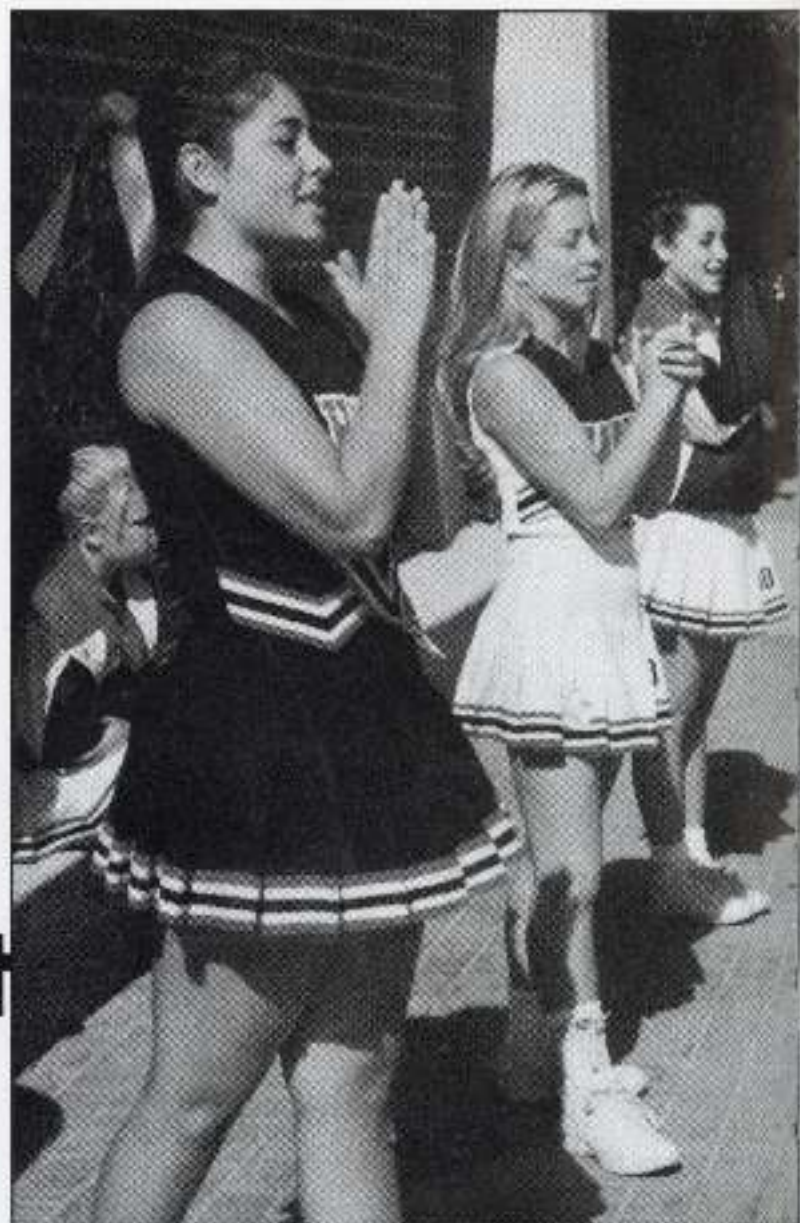
stunting the night away

or a family of 63, rather than three separate squads."

In fact, the bonds among the squads carried some of the girls to a National Cheerleading Association competition. Due to the advanced level of competitors, the girls practiced up to six days a week. They practiced so much that "...if we worked at minimum wage for the hours we spent practicing for Dallas we would have made about \$128 a week," calculated junior Carrie Nordhagen. Yet most of the team traveling to Dallas, Texas felt all that practicing was worth their time. Freshman Favi Francisco described the trip as "Awesome, awesome, awesome!" Despite their inexperience at the national level, the girls placed sixteenth in the country. To celebrate, several girls dressed up as the Spice Girls, paraded through the hotel lobby, and sang *If Ya Wanna Be My Lover*.

Amid the excitement, trials erupted. For the first time, the varsity cheerleaders had to adjust to a separation of the squad. For basketball, fifteen girls cheered for Tuesday games, and fourteen girls cheered for Friday games. However, junior Carrie Coram expressed, "We are friends and we get through it, like champions should!"

—Katie Chamock and Donna Rooney



Displaying both strength and balance, junior Kinsey King concentrates as she pulls a difficult stunt. The hours of practicing and sacrifice paid off at games and competitions.



With sharp moves and big smiles, freshmen Ashley Crowe, Megan Florio, Falan Felix, and Lindsey Campbell perform a dance routine.

Clapping their hands and stomping their feet, senior Stacie Cruikshank and sophomores Tracey Richardson and Erin Silc pump up the student body.

Synchronized perfectly, sophomores Rachael Wheeler, Stacie McClure, and Jenny Bailey cheer for the football team, while sophomore Kasey Weber encourages the crowd.



cheerleading is a sport because...

"It requires a great deal of hard work, dedication, and mental and physical strength. We are all in good shape and it doesn't come easily."

—Junior Lauren Rasmussen

"We begin our three hour practices by running, sets of push-ups, jumps, and tons and tons of other conditioning workouts. I don't know of many guys that can do a dutchman into a backflip, then jump right into a stunting group and toss a girl and catch her in 38 counts."

—Sophomore Kasey Weber

"We are expected to work hard and work together as a team. We throw people in the air and are known for our incredible stunts. Cheerleaders get hurt more than any other sporting team and the injuries are worse."

—Freshman Emily White

"It takes a lot of skill to throw someone your size ten feet in the air and catch [her] without hurting yourself and others. A sport is something competitive, athletic, and hardworking. Cheerleading is all of the above."

—Sophomore Rachael Wheeler



Varsity Cheer: Front Row: M. Barnett, S. Perry, M. Pollack, C. Corwin, C. Nordhagen; Row Two: K. King, U. Keefer, L. Rasmussen, C. Hill, L. Carras, J. Vallierand, A. Scurlock, B. Siederznan, T. Stuart; Row Three: K. Heinman, J. Kelly, P. Fisk, K. White, E. Baker, C. Eitz, D. Pinto, J. Valesin, N. White, V. Vaquerio; Back Row: M. Manning, K. Colzia, S. Cruikshank, L. Russell, K. Ho.



JV Cheer: Front Row: J. Packer, A. Garofalo, S. Curtis, R. Wheeler; Row Two: J. Bailey, T. Richardson, B. Clark; Row 3: E. Silc, S. Castilla, V. Ho, K. Weber, T. Smallwood, V. Andruzzi; Back Row: J. Bond, S. McClure, K. Langlois, A. Bartak, N. Killian

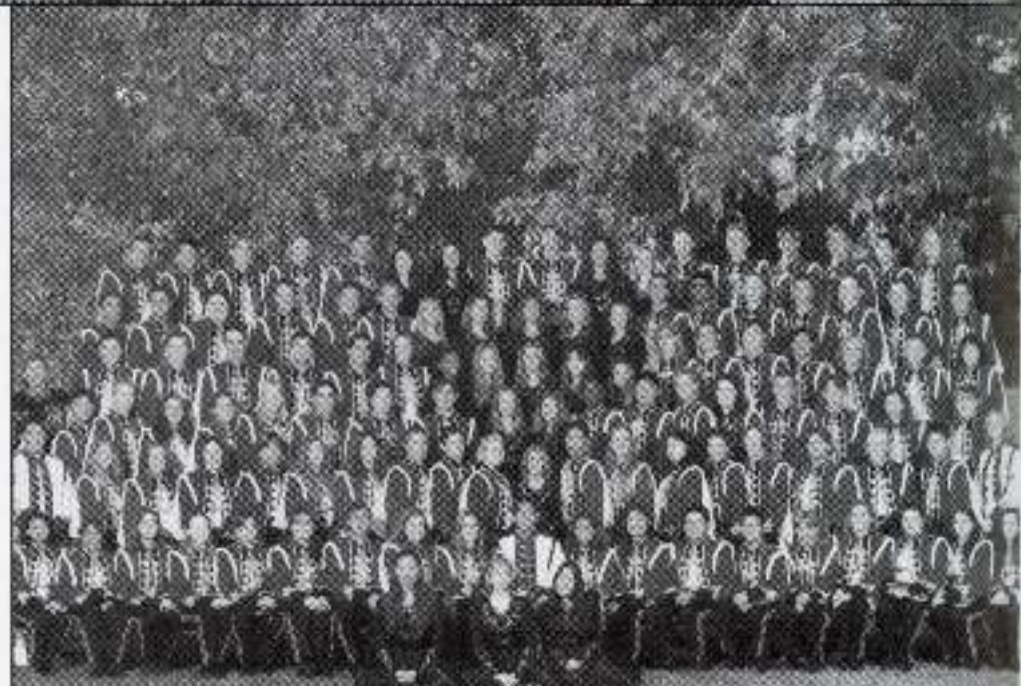


Fresh Cheer: Front Row: A. Crowe, M. Florio, K. Fisk, F. Francisca; Row Two: J. Keyawa, J. Morrissey, M. Lionetti, B. Talken, L. Campbell, K. Craig; Back Row: P. Fox, C. Peralta, H. Mennell, L. Rice, E. White.



Do, Re, Mi, Fa, So, La, Ti, Do—
Freshman Cristhina Cancio
plays the xylophone while
trumpets sound in the
background.

Band and Pageantry: *Front Row:* M. Eddy, K. Carrigan, M. Alaman; *Row Two:* C. Cancio, J. Vasquez, J. Camistraci, B. Williams, S. Allison, A. Barajas, B. Levine, N. Shaw, K. Glazer, N. Aples, S. Kazmoush, J. Chen, G. Miramontes, R. Garrard, S. Lacey, N. Endress, J. Lata, J. Hodles, L. Hicken; *Row Three:* K. Boyajian, M. Hanson, N. Sherman, R. Custer, J. Campeau, M. Grossman, E. Clewett, C. Banicki, D. Veldkamp, E. Handzel, D. Ryan, J. Chen, K. Cornell, K. Colquette, M. DeCoza, C. Clewett, C. Lubanks, V. Apfel, E. Boyajian, K. Marboch; *Row Four:* Director D. Loeb, A. Garcia, C. Dawson, L. Hasten, K. Draper, M. Andrew, J. Mondelson, C. Stuckey, M. Mansfield, A. Parks, R. Wilson, M. Corrie, V. Chang, J. Gapper, B. Davis, A. Johnson, L. Kutan, A. Mitchell, M. Gray; *Row Five:* L. Bach, N. Turner, M. Schmidt, F. Bejarano, J. Hodles, E. Neesley, A. White, S. Fly, B. Aiello, D. Gaines, S. Williams, A. Carter, A. Calanis, M. Stephenson, W. Chen, B. Gunther, J. Allison, L. Miyako; *Row Six:* M. Forte, D. Rosenbauer, T. Roberts, S. Shannon, M. Astun, K. Jones, K. Carrigan, C. Thomas, C. McKinley, A. Howell, L. Aston, P. Marek, E. Knach, S. Anderson, M. Gerbrandt, C. Marshhead, D. Clarke, C. Bona; *Back Row:* L. Colquette, D. Monteleone, C. Crayon, M. Hall, B. Risold, N. Glezer, V. Oliva, J. Bixler, L. O'Keefe, S. Billings, L. Willingham, C. Edstrom, R. Crockett, E. Marbach, D. Foster, A. Casper, M. Dixon.



Looking rather festive, junior Veronica Oliva marches in the Fourth of July parade during Homecoming Week.

Percussion...Strings...Winds...Words. There you saw them, marching out across the way. They sure had a lot to play; it was just something about them. They were the movers and the shakers, the music makers of the school. The **band** and **pageantry** turned notes into tunes and moves into dances.

"I am in pageantry because I like to dance and in spring that is what we do," explained freshman Rachel Wilson. The flag team and the

they've got the beat

dance team combined to form pageantry in the fall in order to perform

with the band during half time at football games and in field show competitions. Then,

in the spring, the two groups separated to

dance and twirl to their hearts' delight. Most girls on pageantry built

friendships by spending time together outside of school. At one team

slumber party, "we...had trouble from one neighbor who threatened to

call the cops if we didn't turn the music down... One of the girls brought

over her video camera and taped him screaming at us in his underwear,"

recalled sophomore Shawna Fly. Not only did the girls enjoy each

other's friendships, but they also persevered through long practices.

"We have many two hour, mandatory practices after school plus 7:00-

8:40 practices every morning before school," commented sophomore

Diana Gaines, "Much of my free time has been dedicated to pageantry."

Members of band faced similar challenges. "My biggest

challenge is handling all of the members and making the right decisions

in certain situations," expressed drum major Krisline Marbach, "[As a

result], I have a lot of confidence in myself." Being in band had an impact

on most of its members. "I made friends I will have for the rest of my life.

I was able to enjoy the thrill of playing an instrument in a talented group,"

boasted senior Rob Crockett.

Likewise, band members shared memories, some funny, others

sentimental. Freshman Robyn Glezer liked "...[the] freshman

'kidnapping.' It was a good joke and I [was] glad that I wasn't alone."

Band president Jacob Hodes summarized, "My favorite part of band is

when everyone is trying their hardest, the group is working in unison,

and we are all having fun...I love the group because we are all

winners...I feel really proud when we perform well...but as long as we

try our hardest, it doesn't matter."

—Kristen Matter



Contemplating the next piece to play in front of the enthusiastic football crowd, senior Neil Apeles arranges his music stand.



competition

Some had butterflies in their stomachs and others giggled out of anticipation, but almost all members of **band** and **pageantry** felt a little nervous on competition days. Saturdays—the day most competitions were held—were busy days for these students. Junior Mike Mansfield described their schedule. "[We] arrive an hour before the bus leaves [and] wait...while they take role. [We] get dressed [and] warm up. [We] march quietly onto the field, perform, stay after for award ceremonies, leave, and get back late."

Before the Regiment performed, members gathered together in a huddle. "It's funny [because] other schools think that we are praying before we go on," chuckled freshman Tawni Lara, "[We] all gather in a circle and hold hands; then, [drum major] Neil [Apeles] tells us to imagine our show and to be relaxed. Yeah, right!"

Despite the anxiety of competing, competitions were a time the Regiment members spent with each other, performing what they had practiced to perfect. Junior Mary Eddy expressed that "...the excitement, the cheering, being with friends, and receiving awards" were the best aspects of competitions.

—Kristen Matter

"Just go [all] out, don't care about hurting yourself!" Senior Travis Richardson (right) has snowboarded for four years.

"In jumper classes the object is to get over the course without knocking a rail down or having a refusal and end up having the best time." Junior Jamiare Adams (below) is a horseback rider.



"I surf wherever the car is shredding the best." Senior Chris Browning (right) surfs whenever he has a day off work.

"Some kids were playing at the school and they asked me to play eight years ago. I have been playing ever since." Senior Matt Hickerson (middle right) holds the goal-keeper position on his hockey team.

"I started in fourth grade and just kept going because I am addicted." Senior Koonie Seidel (far right) has participated in surfing contests since the eighth grade.



risky business

The brave, the bold, the daring, the courageous. On their own, students explored sports not offered at school. Unorganized, they skated, surfed, lifted, jumped, and boarded. School offered a variety of physical education classes and sport teams, but some students developed their talents off-campus through **unorganized sports**.

Some students did not receive PE credit or compete against rival schools as they participated in a sport. Pure enjoyment provoked Junior Brandon Mackabee to "...lift weights every day at school and at the Athletic Club every other day. The key to a nice body is just to work out." Brandon became interested in body building after freshman football.

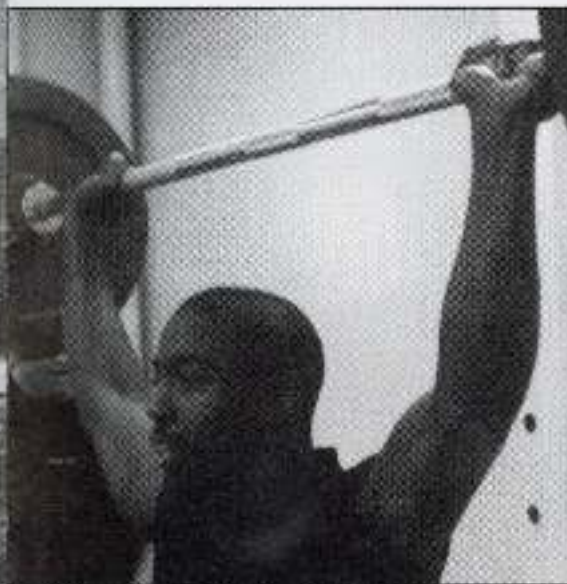
On the other hand, Junior Jamiene Adams competed in a more traditional sport. "My horse and I compete at least once every two months during the show season." Jamiene took horseback riding lessons three times a week to "...be prepared for any change in [my horse's] stride and to learn to help [him] jump a course of 2'6"-3' fences."

Unorganized sports fostered sponsored competition. Senior Tony Leonardi "...competed in the California Amateur Skateboard League (CASL) last year. I was sponsored by two different board shops." Tony was driven to the CASL by a movie, *Gleaming the Cube*, that he saw when he was younger.

Many daring students chose to stray from the confines of Southern California sporting events and chose to move to the world of Canadian sports. "I got the crazy idea to play [ice hockey] simply because I wanted to," said sophomore Shane Robinson.

Whatever the sport was, it was a choice—play or don't play. Don't receive credit, don't have cheerleaders, and don't have rival school teams. Do it to keep fit, do it to have fun, and above all, do it for yourself.

—Annie Parr



"Sometimes in my spare time I lift weights, but this doesn't mean I'm a muscle head." Junior Brandon Mackabee (above left) continues lifting to stay in shape.

"I've never been a girly-girl. I've been riding motorcycles since I was a little kid." Senior Lauren Murry (above middle) rides motorcycles as a hobby.

"I started playing after watching hockey on television when I was ten years old." Junior Keith Davis (above right) puts "time, sweat, effort, and perseverance" into playing ice hockey.

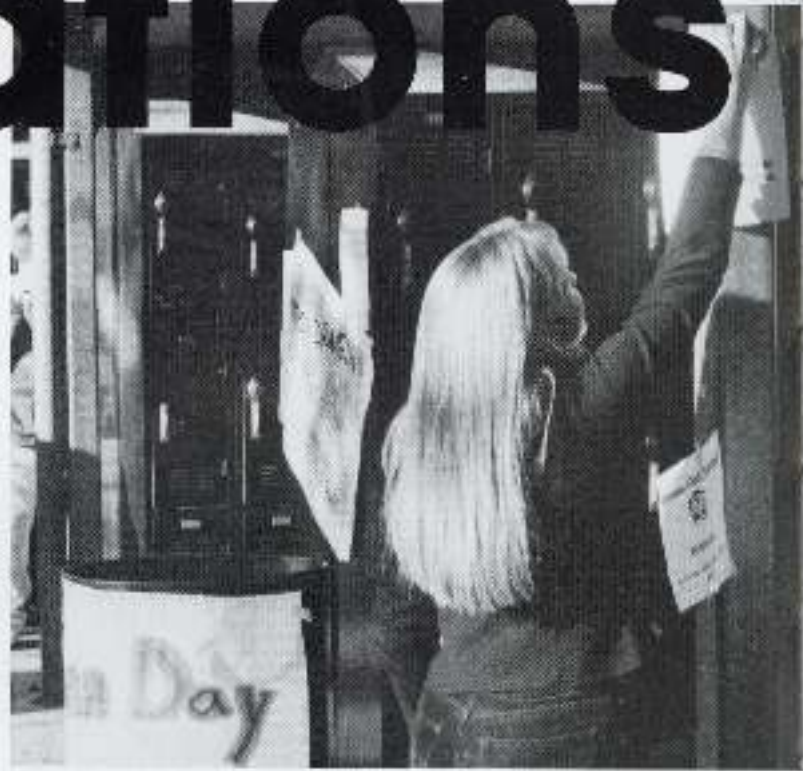
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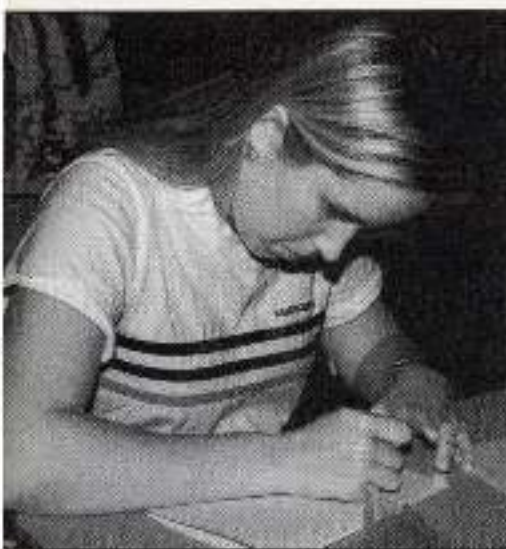




clubs and or

Whether we considered ourselves to be the voices or the echoes
of the **clubs** and **organizations**,
most felt the need to belong to something. Each
student was offered an **opportunity** to be an **individual**
and to make his personality a
part of high school life. Some sang their hearts out. **Others**
helped younger students understand the
world that surrounded
US. From raising money to funding AIDS research
to deep sea fishing in the Pacific, **clubs played a role in**
connecting the many talents,
Ideas, and interests
of the innumerable students who made clubs what they were
and what they would be.

—Melanie Petros and Melanie Waring



In the spirit of the holidays, AIDS Awareness member Adrienne Farnworth decorates a card for an AIDS patient.

There were those who chose to denounce indifference and stand idly by, and there were those who struck down inaction by extending their hearts and hands to those around them. The sort of caring that fought apathy was demonstrated by the many students who belonged to clubs such as **Amnesty International, Interact, and Aids Awareness.**

"It is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness." This club motto of Amnesty International stated the need to participate in the solution to international problems. A club dedicated to ensuring political and social freedom everywhere, Amnesty responded to urgent actions, informative

Organizing art activities for children at the Boys and Girls Club is only one of the many events Interact members Jessica Henderson and Kristin Brady are involved in.

part of the solution

reports on major human rights abuses around the world, by sending letters to governments and officials capable of ending the abuse. A second goal of Amnesty was to educate other students about the need to end human rights abuses. Sophomore Maggie Keegan explained, "In America almost everyone takes our freedom for granted, but in other countries, people must fight for their freedom, and it is our duty to help them fight."

Trick-or-treating for canned goods on Halloween, participating in the SCV Food Walk for the Food Pantry, and helping with craft activities at the Newhall Boys and Girls Club were only some of the events the Interact Club held to extend a helping hand into the community. An organization whose mission was to promote community service, this club was all about giving. Reaching out to those in need was an integral part of Interact's goals. President Laura Ragsdale commented, "The club is out there not only to help all we can, but to show the community and others that there are still people who care."

To the AIDS Awareness Club, stopping the spread of AIDS was more than simply talking about the problem. Because AIDS education had become a vital cause to the members of this club, they hosted several guest speakers, each living with AIDS, who shared their experiences. Braving the heat and the six mile walk, several members of the club also participated in the annual AIDS Walk in Los Angeles. Another project the club undertook was volunteering at Project Angelfood. Giving up one Sunday a month, many members went down to Hollywood to deliver meals to home-bound AIDS patients. "I want people to know that AIDS affects everyone," explained junior Julie Jacobson, "and that even if this club only prevents one person from contracting AIDS, all our hard work has been worth it."

For the many students who chose to make a difference, service to others proved to be a gift they gave to themselves.

—Melanie Petros



spotlight on

do-gooders

One of the newest clubs on campus, the **Do-Gooders Club** strived to encourage students to become involved in serving their community. According to junior Melanie Jeffries, the club is "...a great way to give something back to the community and to help out those less fortunate than we are." During club meetings, people were chosen to lead different projects such as trick-or-treating at the Valley Presbyterian Hospital, decorating gingerbread houses at the Holiday Dinner, and serving meals at the Union Mission. "The greatest thing about it is there isn't one goal, one project, or one president in the club. It's not so much a club as a place where people who have ideas to help their community can gather and do any project they want with loads of friends," stated junior Penny Letts. Most members of the Do-Gooders Club opened their hearts to those who were less fortunate and in need of a heartwarming smile. Junior Aubrie Pick explained that she "...joined because I wanted to 'do my part' and the club seemed like the perfect opportunity." Even though no prizes or awards were given in this club, members continued to participate to achieve the personal satisfaction of making a difference in the lives of others.

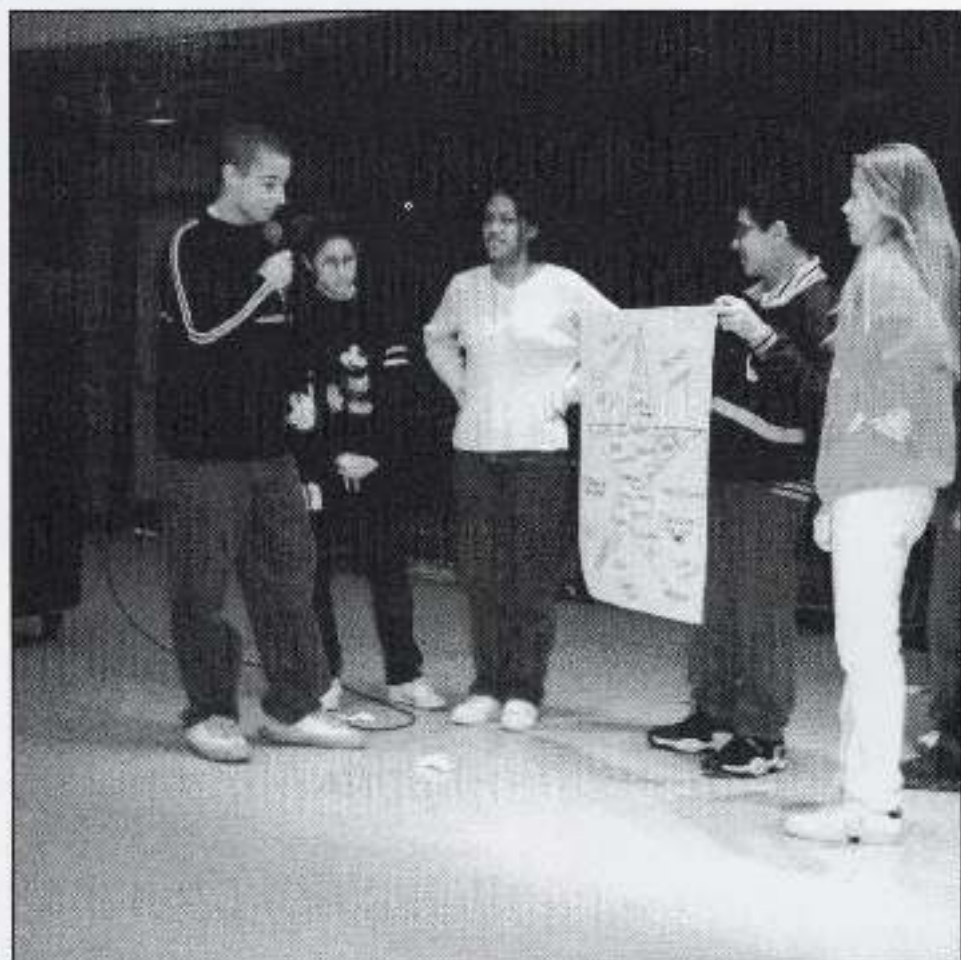
—Kara Takahashi



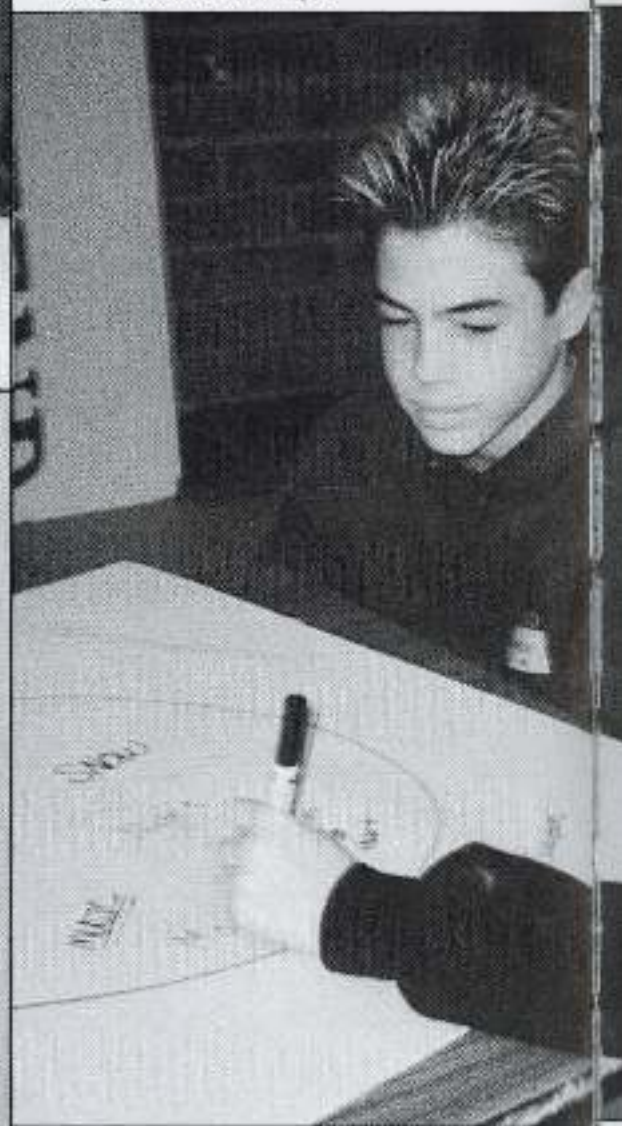
Halloween is more than a chance to get free goodies as Do-Gooders Heather Kirby and Dayna Cannon demonstrate by giving out coloring books at a hospital.



They can't solve all the world's problems, but Amnesty co-presidents Leone Kwon and Melanie Petros know that they can make the world a better place.



"We all live..." Unity Workshop attendees Evan Anderson, Evelyn Cabral, Erika Valasoga, Justin Barton, and Casey Boller share their similarities at a UNITY workshop. These workshops were held to promote a sense of community throughout the school campus.



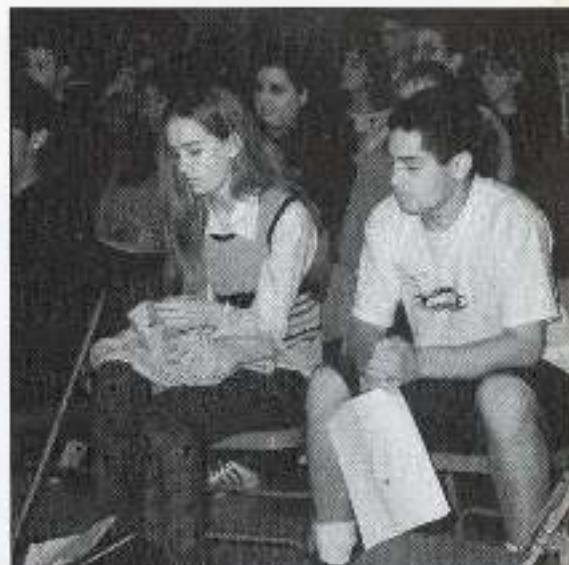
Working together in the spirit of UNITY, freshmen Drew Alston and Paola Soler put their heads together on a group project.

Giving peace a chance, Peace Club member Sandra Rivera sits in a lunch meeting.

As they take a moment to sit and reflect, freshmen Megan Bagley and Andrew Tomnaga listen intently to the presentation.

Respect. Openness. Participation. Exploration. Safety. The ROPES were the basis of unifying the student body and were incorporated into the lessons taught to students throughout the year. **UNITY, Operation US, and Peace Club** worked toward a common goal of confronting issues of prejudice and respect, which resulted in the participation in multi-cultural events, the exploration of different backgrounds, and the promotion of safety.

The UNITY workshops, held every other month in the cafeteria, enlightened high school students on the effects of prejudice, discrimination, and racism. Commenting on the effectiveness of the workshops, sophomore Bianca Brittingham declared, "For some, the workshop has deep effects, and they never look at situations the same." Students were given the opportunity to share personal feelings and past encounters of injustice.



shades of gray

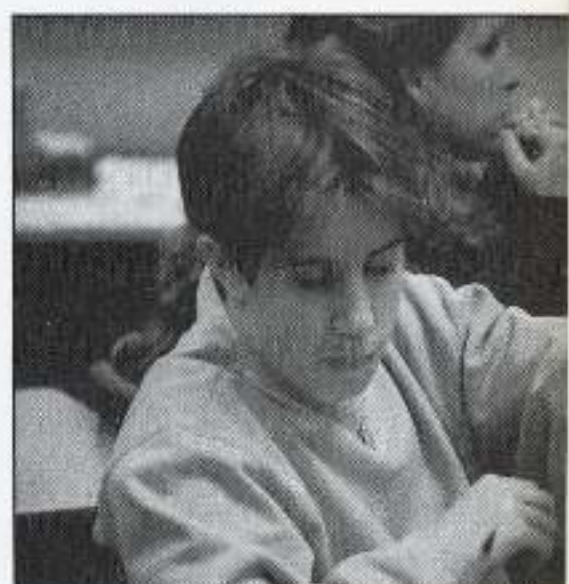
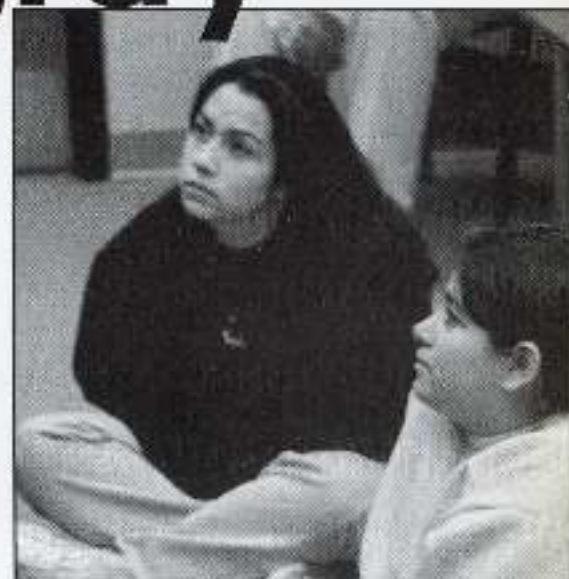
Facilitators explained broad issues and related events to experiences that students faced.

Designed specifically for younger audiences, Operation United Students ventured beyond the borders of the campus to various elementary schools. Teaching sixth graders about the severe results of name calling and stereotyping, facilitators connected minor topics to larger conflicts that could occur in the future. Sophomore Brittney Potes, an Operation US facilitator, felt that "workshops are more effective in elementary school because that is when most prejudices begin." Senior Briana Oborn added, "The sixth graders look up to us and when they see how important it is to us, they take it seriously." The facilitators, performing elaborate skits and involving the children in activities that informed them on ethnic diversity, made learning about the ways to handle and prevent harsh situations fun.

The Peace Club, a new organization, encouraged unity throughout the student body. Hoping the banners would have an impact on students, members decorated the campus with posters bearing bright peace signs. Members also helped students involved in racial conflicts work through their differences and view discrepancy with a more open mind.

Facilitators were recruited to lead the workshops at high schools and elementary schools. Junior Aubrie Pick explained that her favorite aspect of facilitating was "...being able to touch someone's life and open their eyes." Many became involved because of strong personal beliefs in equality. Senior Edwina Vaiaoga was attracted to the idea of the workshops because she has "...seen and experienced the effects of racial ignorance and it is terrible." Nearly everyone who attended a workshop, as either a facilitator or a guest, learned something from the experience. "[I] learned to be more for unity instead of siding with a certain group or person," senior Trevon Wilson continued, "The different events that happen in the workshops have showed me how to be more neutral and to stand up for what I believe in."

—Melanie Warling



Addressing prejudice requires concentration, as demonstrated by the intent look on the faces of seniors Edi Medeiros and Aurora Cuevas (middle).

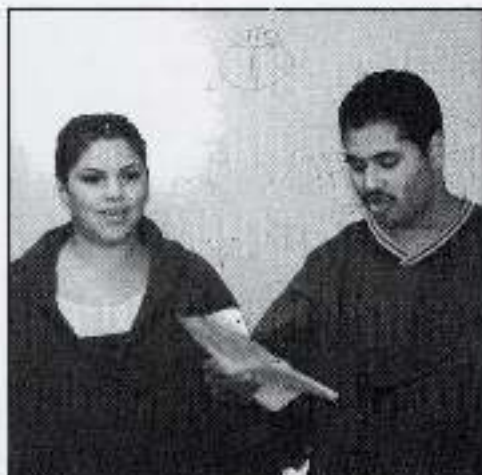
Giving up lunch to attend a Peace meeting shows the dedication of freshman Alejandro Fresnes (bottom).

All business, senior John Wasiel explains his ideas for Intramural Leadership.

As the coordinator of the Intramurals brunch activity, senior Louis Oliva publicizes the arm wrestling match and invites other students to join in.

Making their rounds, sophomores Juanita Garcia and Ulises Salazar recruit volunteers for the Holiday Dinner.

Tug! One of the many activities organized by members of Intramural Leadership, a Tug-O-War, proves how fun and productive working together can be.



it's all fun and games

Wanted: PE credits without taking PE. **Found:** Intramural Leadership.

A class that required minimal physical labor, Intramural Leadership focused on the decision making that affected school activities. Junior Joel Brambila analyzed, "The class isn't really about seeing how fast you can run or how many sit-ups you can do. It's really about leadership and putting on lunch activities for the students."

Although half of the student body disappeared when the lunch bell rang, sophomores and freshmen ate on campus. To spice up lunch time, Intramurals hosted activities such as Powder-Puff Football, Tug-O-War, and Three-on-Three Basketball on campus. Sophomore Danny Ripling's favorite activity was "the arm wrestling activity because it was cool to get all the people involved."

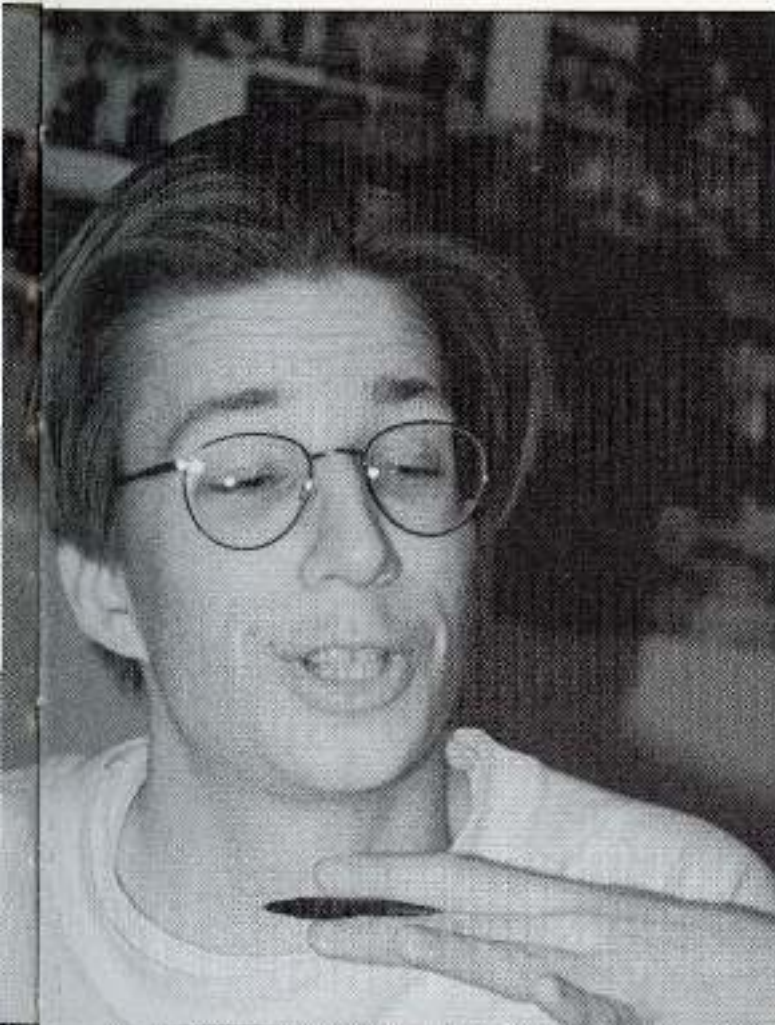
Planning activities wasn't as simple as it appeared. After all, a major part of Intramurals was the Holiday Dinner. Students hung posters, notified students, and raised money for the annual dinner. In addition, they collected clothes and toys for those less fortunate. Holding a garage sale was one way Intramurals students raised money for toys and food. Furthermore, other students passed around buckets to collect money for toys.

When not planning or running activities, students stayed in their classrooms listening the "Lead the Field" tape series, which was a program about leadership and taking charge in life. Mr. Calzia joked, "They love [the class] because the students love me!" Although the cassettes were not considered the most interesting aspect of Intramurals, "[students] enjoyed planning activities, doing a little bit of gym, and having a good time!" sophomore Jessica Williams concluded.

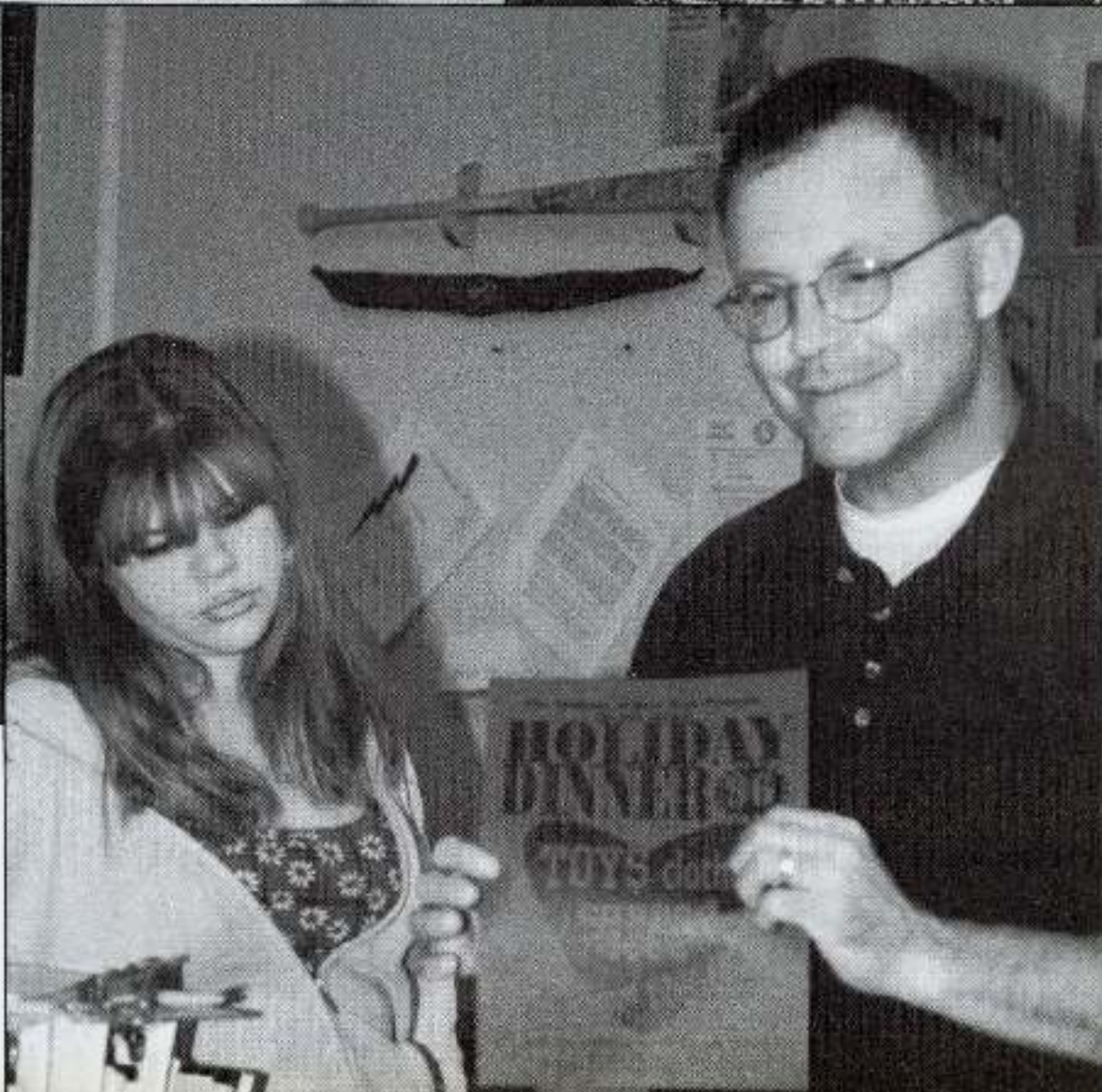
--Claudia Lopez



Even class time is fun for Intramural Leadership members Lisa Terranova and Jonathan Ren.



Passing on the opportunity to become more involved, junior Austin Sutton passes on a sign-up sheet in Intramural Leadership.



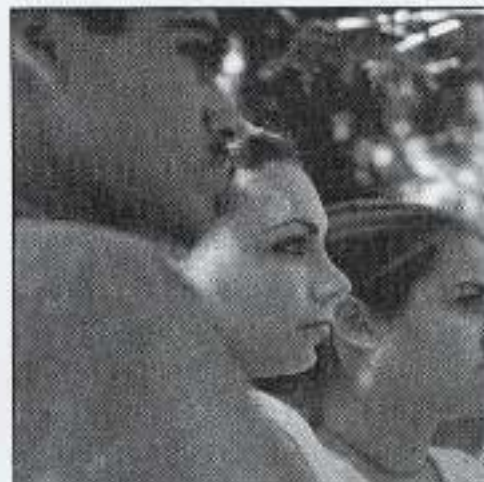
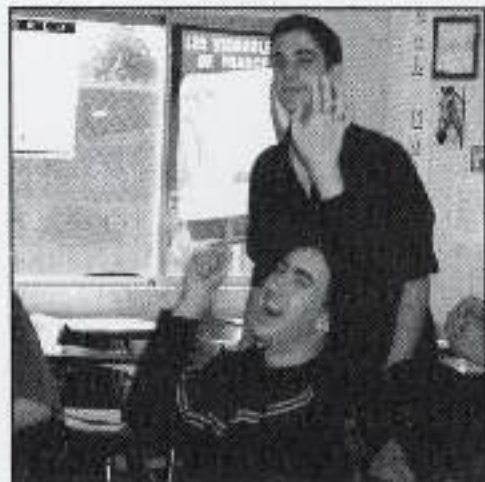
Mr. Calzia and senior Danyell Dehoux show off the new flier for the Holiday Dinner, an annual dinner for needy families.

Devising a new experiment to learn more about the wondrous human ear, junior Jennifer Reiger (right) begins her examination by sticking a makeshift probe in senior Jackie Bailey's ear during Anatomy Class.

On a field science trip, junior Nadia Morasov (far left) timidly extends her hand towards a pair of temperamental lambs.

Ecstatically voting on an issue, (middle) junior Marc Stephenson raves about another FHS activity while senior Peter Skipper looms on.

Looking on in awe, senior Carlos Chavez and junior Jennifer Marcus (below) listen intently as their knowledgeable guide talks about how the Wildlife Way Station has saved many animals from inevitable doom.



rolling ^{on} the liver

Field trips kept on turning. Fund raising kept on rolling. Behind the scenes, **Field Science** members collected pails of bottles for recycling, while the **Anatomy Club** members sold bars of chocolate for See's. Each club did their own share of fund raising for various field trips.

Beginning with their first field trip, deep sea fishing in the Pacific, the Field Science Club members woke up with an early start. At five a.m. students crammed into yellow buses and headed toward Ventura. As the boat sailed out to sea, some became seasick. Others, with the help of Dramamine, adapted to the moving boat and caught a couple fish. The next trip was to the Wildlife Way Station. Students walked through an open area where rescued, injured animals lay in cages. Senior Maegan Williams commented, "While we were taking a tour of all the animals, the guide told us to watch out for the tiger: when his tail went up, he was ready to spray pee. Suddenly, the tiger's tail went up and we all bolted to the sides of the tiger. False alarm, but it was scary." Other prospective field trips included the Snore and Roar at the San Diego Wild Animal Park, the "sleepover safari."

The other science club, the Anatomy Club, also ventured into unusual territory. They took the traditional trip to the morgue. At the College of Chiropractors, students felt and identified the human brain. Also, stated junior Jessica Ray, "we're going to study the dead bodies." Junior Diane Valenziano added, "We learn about the human body in fun, hands-on ways, from actual college professors." At the end of the year members planned the blood drive, which would benefit Red Cross.

To discuss future plans, such as field trips, members of the Field Science Club met regularly on Mondays during lunch, while members of the Anatomy Club learned about plans during Anatomy class. To become a part of Field Science, members attended meetings and recycled cans. On the other hand, all students in Anatomy classes were part of their club.

Although these clubs performed different activities, they existed for a common goal—science.

—Tiffany Martinez





spotlight on French Honor Society

The French Honor Society (Societe Honoraire de Francais to its members) was a relatively new club on campus. To join, a prospective member was required to have an A-average in French for three semesters and to be willing to offer his time during the tutoring sessions held at lunch. Also, members of FHS enjoyed speaking and learning French and participating in club activities. Besides bake sales and brunch time tug-o-wars, the first field trip was taken to see *Le Petit Prince*, *The Little Prince*. This club also held informal get-togethers for the sole purpose of spending time with others who shared a common interest.

—Dawn Mellon



Discussing the upcoming field trip to the play *Le Petit Prince*, *The Little Prince*, president Jessica Vernon (above) and secretary Emily Neeley successfully use their leadership skills to run another FHS meeting. They always kept their members enthusiastically involved.

Hungry for lunch, Amanda the Lion (left) attempts to make a meal out of Field Science Club's advisor, Mr. Modugno.

"Down and give me twenty" ROTC members occasionally endured some sore aches and pains in their training, but still managed to keep a smile on their faces.

spotlight on youth & government

Two thousand high school students from all over the state—dressed in skirts and blouses, suits and ties—debated in the State Assembly and Senate chambers of the Capitol building and heard cases in the California Supreme Court building. These up-and-coming politicians formed **Youth and Government (Y&G)**.

Junior Ben Stein summarized the mock legislature and courts program as "...students learning how to run the government and then playing the roles of government officials." Groups of these students gathered throughout California to form delegations. "We're a small delegation this year, but we have fun together," commented junior Meredith Simmons, "Hopefully we'll pass our bill [in Sacramento]." All the delegations met for three conferences each year—two at Camp Roberts and one in Sacramento. Senior Peter Skipper remembered Camp Roberts as "...dirty. Very dirty. The barracks where we slept were gross. When I sat down on my bed a cloud of dust came up. And that was after the National Guard had cleaned all the barracks."

Despite the dust and grime, Y&G members left the program with polished minds. Delegation president Diana Rifold said she learned "...leadership [skills] and [how to] speak in front of 30 to 200 people." Committee Chair Amanda Millner explained, "I have learned to believe in issues which I normally would not be concerned with. I have learned that certain experiences truly do have the ability to change lives."

—Kristen Matter



"Everyone sign in!" voices FBLA president Tara Stiber as senior James Huntington (above) adds his name to a long list of members. From pizza lunches to business conferences the FBLA members kept busy.

"We salute you!" Proud and strong, ROTC members (right) stand in formation, shoulders back, chests up, and full of noble charm.



"Anyone need a bulletin?" Senior Neil Apoles (below) listens to the important issues being discussed while enjoying a lunch of pizza and Coke, compliments of FBLA.

"So what are we selling now?" Junior Claudia Espinosa (far below) attends an FBLA meeting where issues such as section conferences, community conferences, and of course, candy fund-raisers were discussed.

foothold on the future



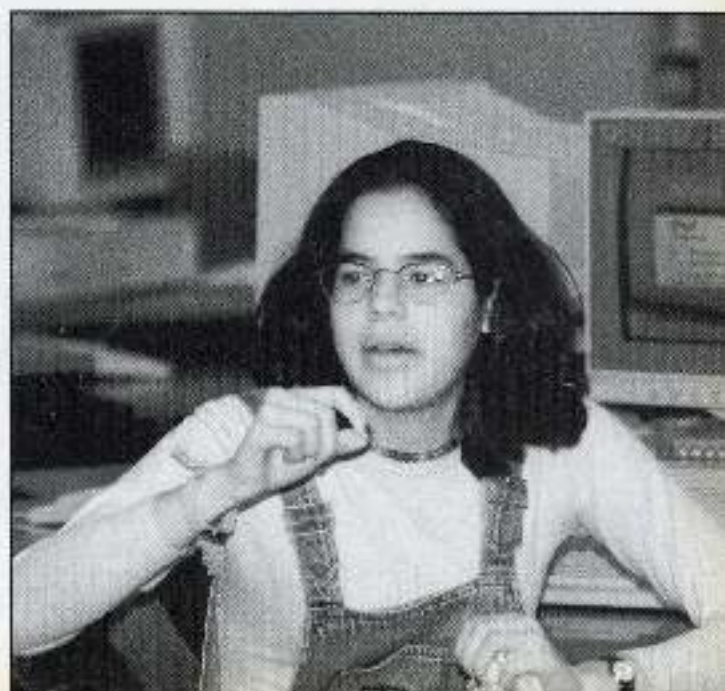
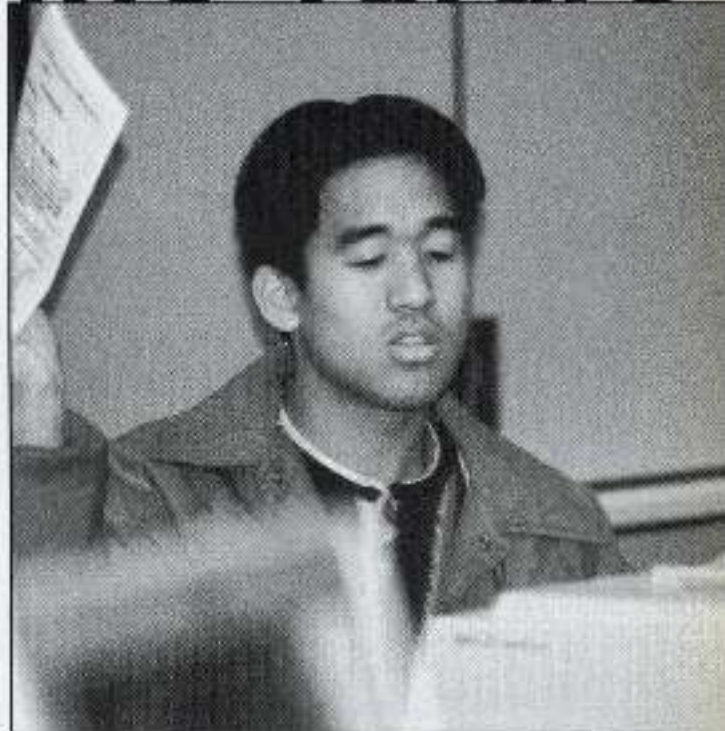
"Be all that you can be!" For most, high school is a preparation for the future. Many students joined clubs that persuaded them to choose their future careers. Two clubs, **Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)** and **Reserve Officer Training Corp. (ROTC)**, opened many doors toward certain career paths.

Teaching how business workshops' function, FBLA gave young men and women a new outlook on the business world. Junior Marc Stephenson commented, when joining FBLA, that "...participation is the only requirement you need [to fulfill]!" When members were not attending state and section conferences, they were busy doing projects that benefited the community. Members also participated in candy sales and the chili cook-off that raised club funds. Senior Vera Ivanova, who planned on majoring in business, commented that FBLA "...showed me different opportunities in the field of business [because] I didn't know there were so many fields!"

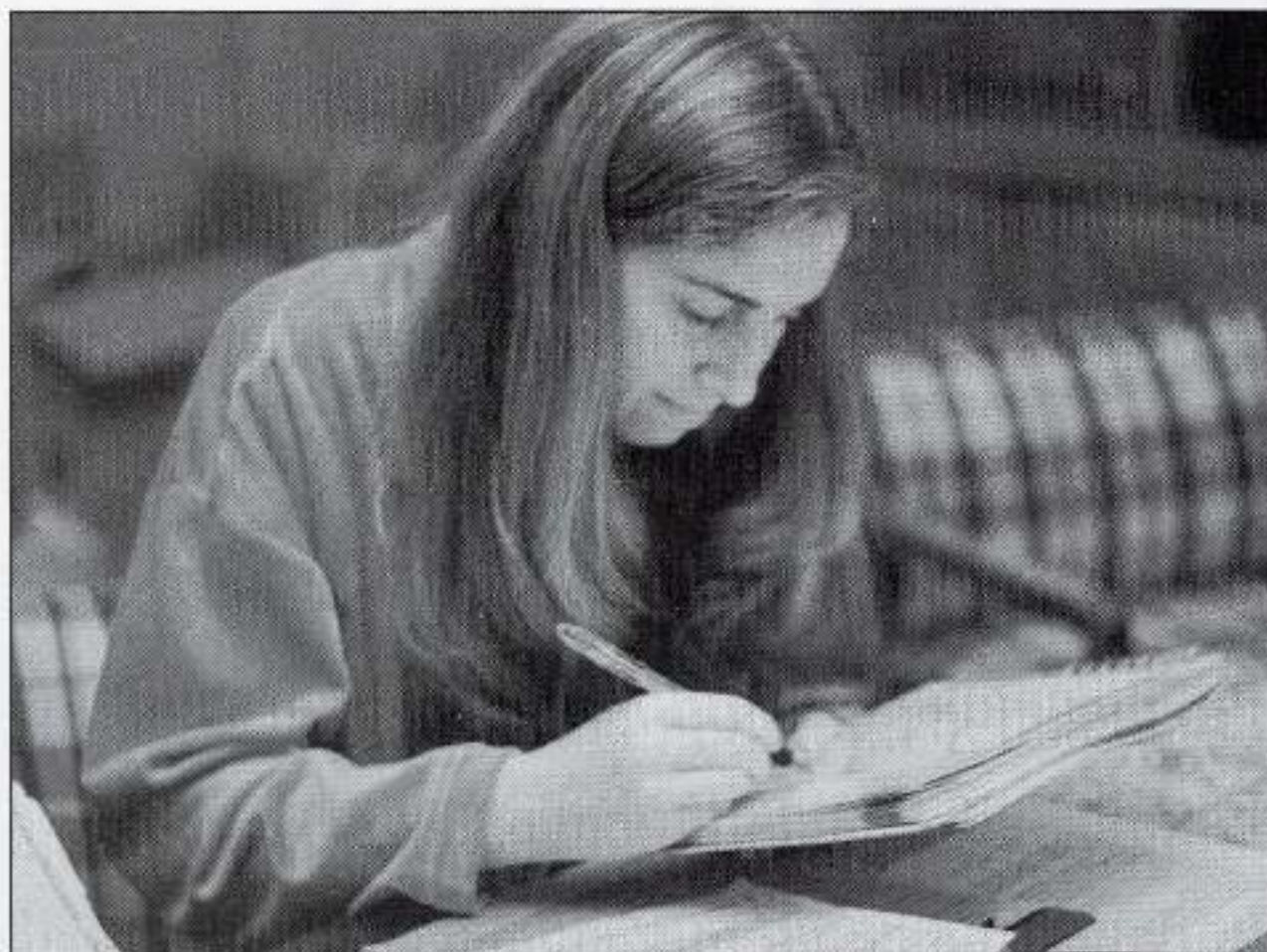
ROTC taught students what a career in the military would be like. Sophomore Breezy Long commented that "ROTC is a leadership course. We work to improve character by installing leadership, teamwork skills, integrity, and a positive attitude." Members of ROTC were not only involved in team activities and performances, but also spent a great deal of time participating in community service. Senior Trebion Wilson, who planned on becoming a naval fighter pilot, described "...[the] objective is to build better and more productive citizens. And that is what I want to be!"

Although they were different, both clubs prepared students for the future. Whether they were attending conferences or serving the country, students in these interest clubs were taking one step closer to the future.

—Lori Dzieciolowski



A bit of talking goes a long way as Peer Counselor Irea Williams helps junior Jared Valetzuela.



By taking down information so members can provide a safe ride home for others, Safe Rides volunteer Julie Jacobson does her part in preventing alcohol related accidents.

Even with a simple act such as answering the phone, Safe Rides member Seema Shah (right) has perhaps helped save another person from the tragic death of a drunk driving accident.





Listening is just as important as talking. Senior Channette Ingram (below) opens her eyes to other suggestions.

Realizing the key to solving problems is being able to express oneself, senior Michelle Vanassy practices enthusiastically.



lean on me

Rather than remaining apathetic about the woes of the world, students involved in **Peer Counseling** and **Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD)** extended their compassion to reach out and help others. These students served as confidants and activists. Several students participated in **Safe Rides**, a club designed to prevent drunk driving deaths by providing rides home.

Counselors were divided into two groups: Peer I and Peer II. The Peer I group consisted of students training to become Peer Counselors. These students also honed their communication and listening skills to better deal with people. Encountering typical teen problems daily, Peer I students learned to understand and relate to these situations. On the other hand, Peer II counselors actually worked with students through group and individual counseling. They sponsored Red Ribbon Week, an anti-drug campaign, at Placerita and hosted guest speakers. Furthermore, teen support groups were established on the basis of many teen issues.

On a slightly different note, SADD set out to educate students on the evils and grave consequences of drinking and driving. It's members' heightened awareness for their cause by making posters, creating informative brochures on the dire statistics of drunk drivers, and visiting Placerita to discuss with students the seriousness of the matter. Freshman Lucia Kwon explained, "I [first] joined SADD because my friends encouraged me to, but once I was a part of it, I realized that I really do care about drunk driving and helping others make the right decisions in difficult situations makes me feel good."

Many students found a way to help others, either by listening patiently to a fellow student's troubles or by passing out brochures on drunk driving. Freshman Leslie Evans concluded, "I like having the feeling that I at least tried to make the difference in someone's life."

—Leona Kwon



Eager to be the best Peer Counselor she can be, senior Jennifer Shock (upper right) listens attentively to Ms. Carr.

All ears, senior Briana Oborn (right) offers her attention in helping to solve a problem.

spotlight on hartweb

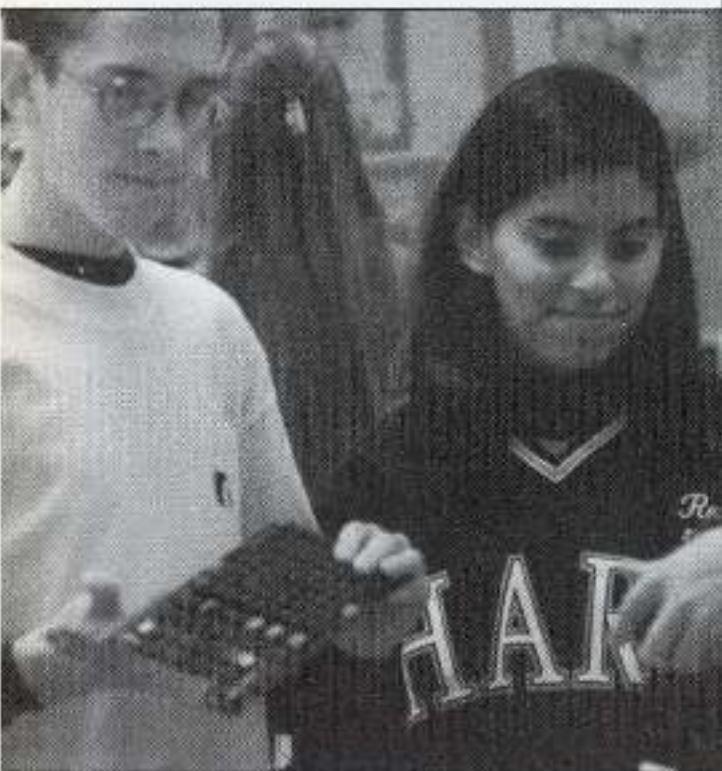
Following directions cautiously, juniors Renee Reyna and Brandon Whitney learn how to assemble computers for NHS.

Concentrating on the question being asked, freshmen Nyein Win, Tracy Hsu, Natalie Ruben, and Jennifer Tsakoumakis keep their heads placed frantically on their answer buttons during an academic competition.

The 300 MHz MMX CPU is fast enough, but why use IDE instead of SCSI? And for the last time, RAM drive is not an installation procedure! If someone wanted the lowdown on the techno-info revolution, he would have had to come to one of the weekly HartWeb meetings. A bunch of students met every Friday, after school no less, to talk about their common interest—computers. While “normal” students discussed how happy they’d be on the weekend, these webbies talked about who had the latest version of a product of Microsoft’s empire, or about “that cool [unrate] on Macintosh” sticker they saw on someone’s car or “what a loser Steve Jobs is.” The Hart Web staff updated its Internet web site with up-to-the-minute information, including the current school newsletter and newspaper, and a calendar of upcoming events. Alumni who were interested in what was going on at their alma mater visited the site for dates of sporting events and e-mail addresses of their old teachers. The Hart Web was even featured on MSNBC as “The Site of the Nite.” “That was totally groovy,” expressed webmaster Mike Schmidt.

—Doug Melton

Putting together the pieces of a computer circuit, sophomore Breezy Lung attempts to build a computer for NHS.





While listening to answers and collaborating knowledge, sophomore Delaney Gordon stocks in more facts at an academic competition.

Pondering original ideas, sophomore Chris Edstrom (below) prepares a creative addition to the Hart Web page.

striding toward success

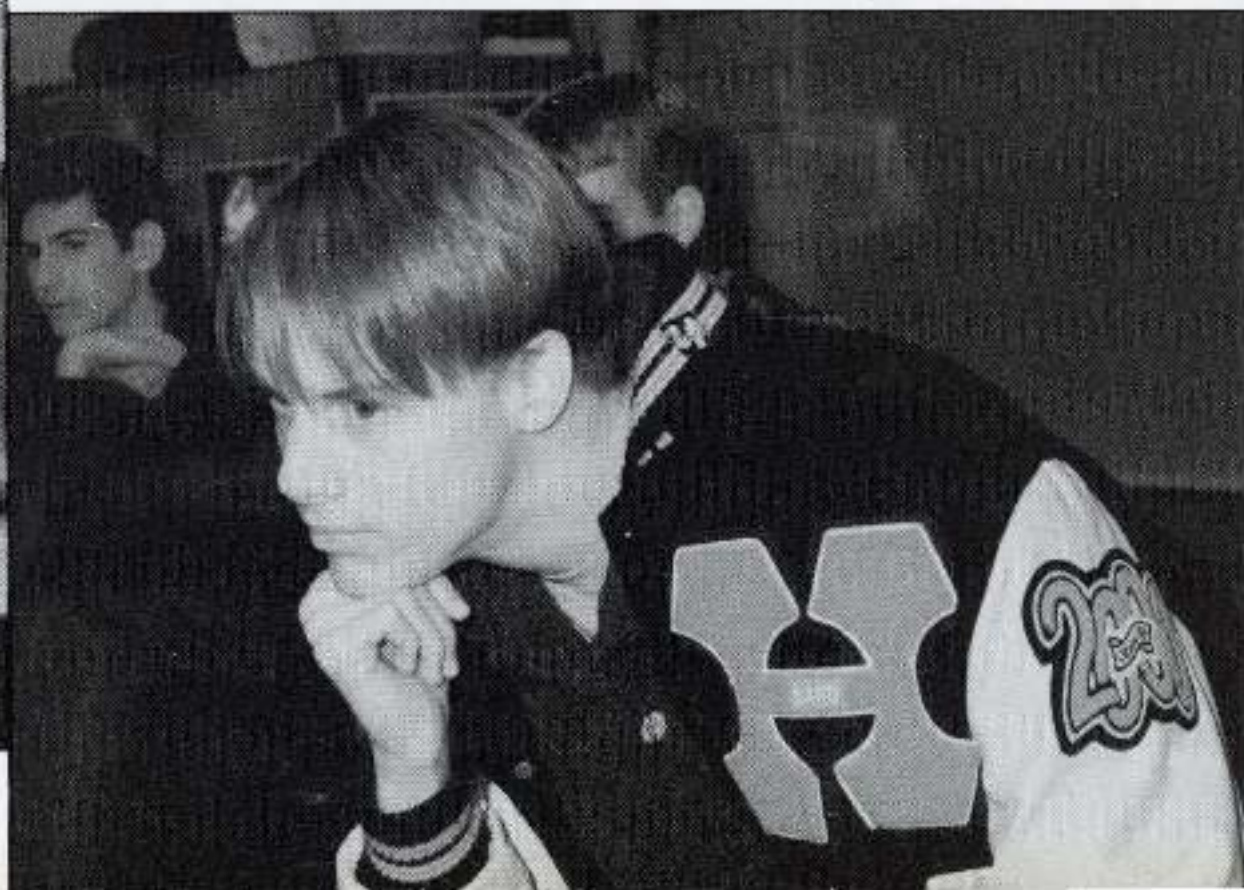
They're recognized by their straight-A report cards and their tassels at graduation. They're seen in AP classes and on the honor roll. They were the members of two prestigious clubs—NHS and CSF.

The purpose of NHS was to promote the ideals of service, character, scholarship, and leadership among its members. By maintaining the club's requirements—3.65 GPA, \$5 membership dues, and 20 service hours—most students in NHS were models to the school. Community service included "...tutoring kids at the Boys and Girls Club. We also do projects...such as working the marathon, the holiday dinner, and sponsoring hungry kids," said co-president Holly Martin.

Allotment into CSF was earned by receiving three A's and one B in academic classes and being willing to tutor peers. Junior David Knobel—who is not only a CSF general member, but also on the tutoring committee—described his job as "...a role that everybody wants...because if you do it, you don't have to tutor...but it causes problems because people hate to get tutor assignments."

Reasons students sought membership into these clubs varied from serious to not-so-serious reasons. Junior Julie Jacobson was "...in CSF as a way to try to keep up my grades [and] in NHS to become more involved in the community." Sophomore Todd Amhart was on the CSF tutoring committee because "...[it] looks good for college applications and I want to be a 100% CSF student so I can wear the cool gold ropes when I graduate."

—Kristen Matter



print shop

through the eyes of

brian moran

Describe a normal day in the Print Shop.

A normal day in the life of Print Shop is really lots of fun. The class is small and friendly. My day usually consists of the printing of our favorite teachers' worksheets and tests. The cycle is run by turning the originals into lithograph plates, which we place into large printing presses. With these presses, we can run off normal worksheets onto a variety of paper—different colors and thicknesses—as well as different ink colors. The final step consists of cutting the paper to size and delivering it to teachers and staff all over the campus.

Why did you choose to enroll in Print Shop?

Graphic arts and printing are something I have always been interested in learning about. Mr. Lindberg is like one of the guys and makes the class enjoyable.

What is Silk Screening?

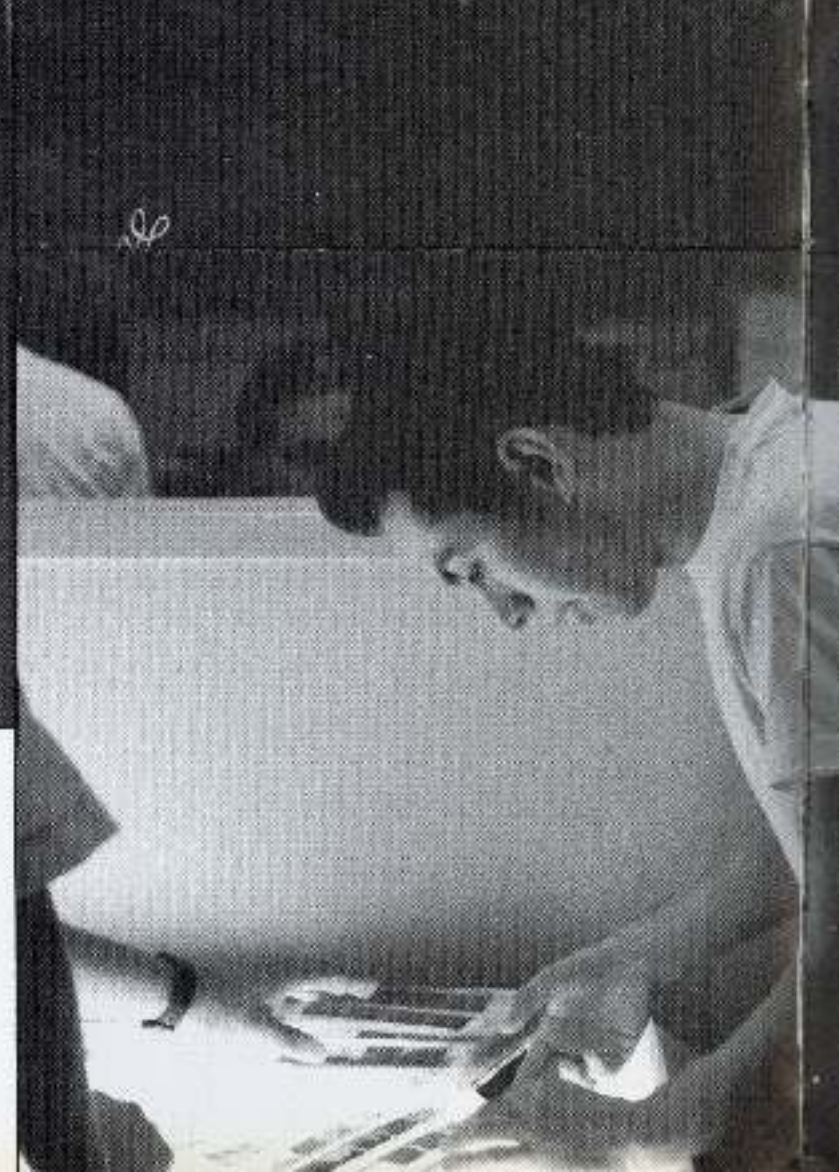
Silk Screening is a process of printing designs and figures onto textiles such as tee shirts and sweatshirts.

—as told to Dawn Melton and Kara Takahashi



Bending under the stress of his job and crazy life, Mortimer Brewster factor David Knobel closes his eyes out of frustration.

Carefully viewing his negatives, junior Francisco Andriano decides on which pictures to develop.





Prim and proper, Abby Brewster and Martha Brewster (actresses Danika Sadik and Eliza Hart) grudgingly listen to their nephew's reprimand.

A demented doctor, Dr. Einstein (actor John Parlener) takes refuge from his guilty conscience.



express yourself

Imagine. **Drama** was available for those who simply wanted to step out of their daily routine of life and become a different character. **Photography** offered the chance to create an image by capturing a moment in time. **Music Composers and Theorists Club (MCTC)** was a new club on campus that was designed specifically for music lovers. These clubs had little to do with academics, but more

to do with imagination and creativity.

The Drama club gave students the rare opportunity to design, act, and produce their own plays. "Drama is one of the best clubs because of the variety of people in it," stated president Amy Cano. Other students had different reasons why they chose to take part in Drama. "I like getting the opportunity to play different types of people," expressed junior Eliza Hart, "I've played everything from a sweet old lady to a psychotic teenager." Members produced *Arsenic and Old Lace* and later *Lil' Abner*. The annual Improv-a-thon, a fundraiser, proved highly profitable. Lasting into the wee hours of morning, actors wrote and improvised miniature skits. At meetings, held every other week, members discussed upcoming plays and planned activities.

There were several other venues for students to express artistic visions. One course offered was Photography, in which students were assigned to take pictures. In addition, students were also instructed on how to create a finished photograph using a variety of manipulating techniques. Although many took photography as an elective, some considered photography as a future career. "I decided that [photography] was definitely what I wanted to do with my life," claimed senior April Olson. However, junior David Goss stated, "It doesn't appeal to me as a career." Junior Adam Hobbs added, "Photo is better than any other class that might put you to sleep. I have yet to dose off in photo."

MCTC, the first music oriented club available on campus, gave music composers and performers an opportunity to record their own written material. Members learned about musical sounds of several instruments and meanings of various sounds. The objective was for students to create their own music and learn about music theory. In addition, freeform was stressed in the club. Freshman Megan Dixon explained, "I like making up my own music and having the pride of it being my own."

Several options were open for students to let their creative expression be recognized. Through these clubs, most students relieved themselves of daily stress and allowed their imaginations to wander.

—Lesley Scribner

During Print and Screen, senior Chris Adams feeds paper into a printing machine.





Belted out the Alma Mater and showing off their school spirit, seniors Diana Rifold and Jessica Henderson sing at the end of a rally.

Most students took school activities for granted. But who was the propelling force behind the dances, brunch activities, and rallies? The **Associated Student Body (ASB)** has been through early morning meetings and exhausting afterschool hours to plan entertainment for the benefit of the students.

behind the scenes

"I dislike having to get up before the sun rises to get to school," complained sophomore treasurer

Todd Amhart. Nevertheless, waking up at the crack of dawn was necessary to ensure the success of each activity; whether it was buying kazoos for a football rally, hiring a DJ for prom, or handing out green bagels during Homecoming week.

Like any other club, ASB had its share of unforgettable moments. Executive board president Jessica Henderson's favorite recollection was "when I went to Tempo to buy about fifty CDs for the ASB office to play at lunch and brunch and stuff. Mrs. Whitney handed me about \$500 in cash and I went to the register. I pulled a Wayne's World: 'Do you accept cash? Cha-ching!'"

Through the years, the more experienced members learned some important life lessons. "I truly think it has made me a better person because it has taught me a lot about leadership, friendship, equality, and much more! I love ASB!" raved sophomore secretary Kasey Weber. Furthermore, senior class president Megan Manning vowed to go out and "take over the world." For most members, being in ASB had its share of secrets not known by the majority of students. Being aware of the latest news was a simple pleasure that some, including freshman Cole Cannon, frequently enjoyed. "I like being one of the few people who actually know what's going on behind the scenes."

—Jen Jen Chen

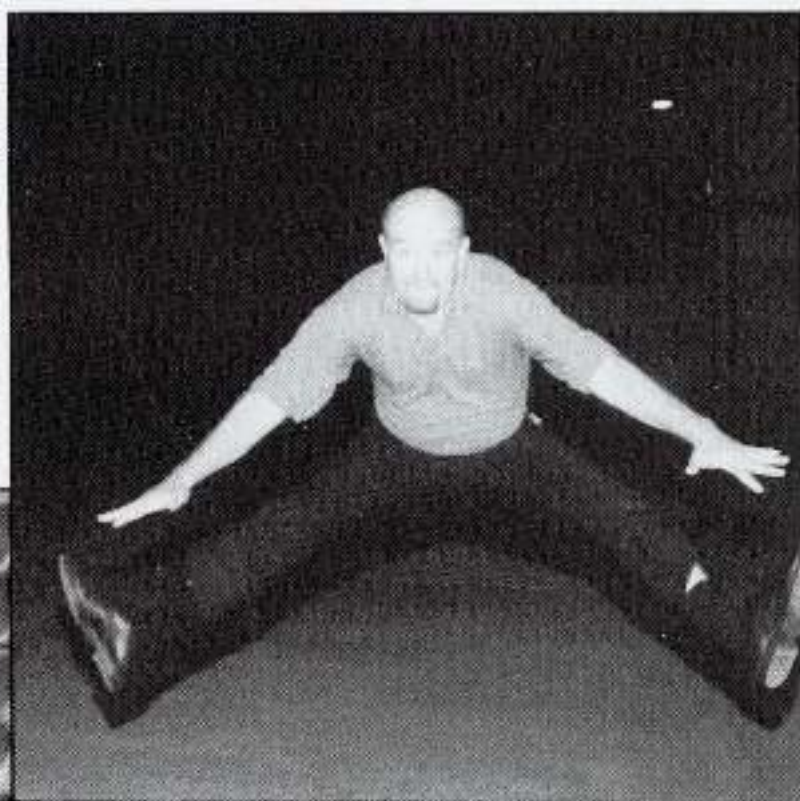


Football in hand, sophomore Joe Marchionda waits for senior Taryn Stuart's cue to throw.

"Hello? ASB Office..." sophomore Ashley Gould answers the phone.



At a zero period class, juniors Iun Terwilliger and Renee Keyna (below) express new thoughts and ideas to their fellow ASB members.



Revealing his secret desire to join the cheerleading squad, ASB director Mr. Basey (left) shows off his incredible flexibility and unusual spryness.



At a class meeting, executive board officers (right) introduce themselves to the school.





That's good work. The management—seniors Kristen Maker, Amy Bagley, and Aron Himmelfarb (top)—put their heads together to create a style page.

Is this an ex-con or a yearbook member? Snapping pictures is what Photo Editor Donna Rooney (left) is all about.

Intent on the task at hand, senior Danny Davey (right) proofreads an article for the next issue of *The Smile Signal*.



"Would you like a Homecoming Express?" Senior Laura Ragsdale (top) passes out the special Homecoming *Smoke Signal* to students after a brunch time rally.

By typing up his article, freshman Logan Ruten (upper middle) prepares for deadline.

Marveling over another successful spread, design editor Aron Himmelrich (lower middle) gazes upon yet another page for the yearbook.

In a hurry to finish the Features page, senior Amanda Millner (bottom) tries to open another crashed floppy disk from the *Smoke Signal* archives.



hot off the press

Students of all walks of life came together to produce various magazines, books, and articles for the rest of the student body. *The Literary Magazine*, *Print and Screen*, *Tomahawk*, and the *Smoke Signal* each offered an eclectic rainbow of information and fun.

The Literary Magazine presented itself as a gathering place for private thoughts, feelings, poems, and essays. Its members each contributed to form a small magazine, which featured a large array of art and writing submitted by the student body. "I think it is a good way to use my creativity," sophomore Lesley Box stated, "and I thought it would be great to read everyone else's poetry."

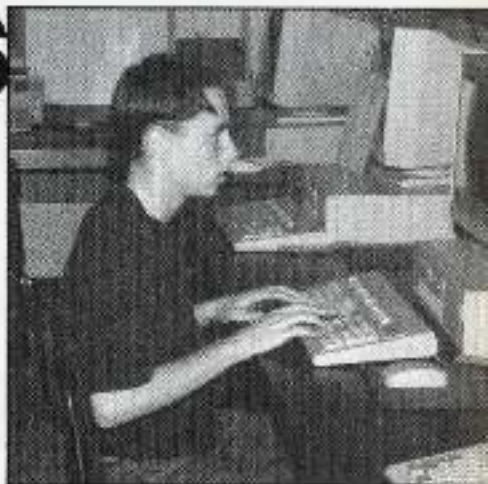
On the other hand, the *Smoke Signal* served as the school's factual information source. Students received the newspaper and became aware of the events that occurred on campus around them. "The purpose of the newspaper is more than just to inform people. I think it's something that we can give back to the student body," said editor-in-chief Jacob Hodes. "It's more than just a piece of paper with words on it, it's something that you can hold in your hands and see a picture of [our school] and be proud."

The *Tomahawk* staff recorded the events of the year in what would become a keepsake book. Set with the task of recording the year's events, the yearbook staff wrote articles, drew layouts, took pictures, and placed layouts on the computer. Furthermore, "yearbookees" tried to represent every student because "the yearbook is like a history book. Twenty years from now, students will look back at the *Tomahawk* to remember their high school years," junior Bauerle Renn commented.

A separate club that specialized in graphic arts, *Print and Screen* was busy creating slickers, flyers, posters, and business cards.

Although these organizations served slightly different purposes, each promoted dedication and team work, each created friendships and memories. While *Print and Screen* enjoyed various field trips to continue members' education, the *Tomahawk* staff spent late nights to finish deadlines. Throughout the year, different members of the *Literary Magazine* raised money for their cause and members of the *Smoke Signal* distributed the students' news. Members of each of these clubs contributed and helped to produce a common product for the interest of the student body. "One must be tied to his high school," said senior Tyler Roberts. "Just going to school is much different than being involved. Involvement is the key to having fun in high school."

—Megan Kopic



Displaying a funky sense of style, Sound Vibes serenades the Homecoming audience with an energized performance of Rent.

As a special treat on Halloween, seniors Amber Thompson, Jaime Mintun, and Matt Aston join Sound Vibes members in a one-time only presentation of *Herbie*.

They sang and danced their way into the hearts of audiences. They ventured to a variety of places, from the cozy cafeteria on campus to the buzzing Walt Disney World in Florida, illustrating to many the love the Choral Department held for performing. Freshman Kelly Fairchild voiced, "Choir is fun and I do what I love most...sing."

Choir vocalized a variety of tunes written in diverse languages and tempos. **Sound Vibrations** waltzed across the stage in an array of red and black, doing several acrobatic maneuvers in the adrenaline-pumped performance of *Rent*. **Hart Breakers**, dressed in nun attire, clapped their hands and stomped their feet, enlightening crowds with songs from the film *Sister Act*. **Concert Choir** calmed audiences, serenading them with the melodious *The Cloths of Heaven*.

Students were given a choice between various choral groups. Senior Kelly Krantz's decision to be a part of Concert Choir was simply because she "loved the dresses with the big red bows!" The students incorporated energy, enthusiasm,



hart and soul

and emotion into their singing, which gave the music a personal touch.

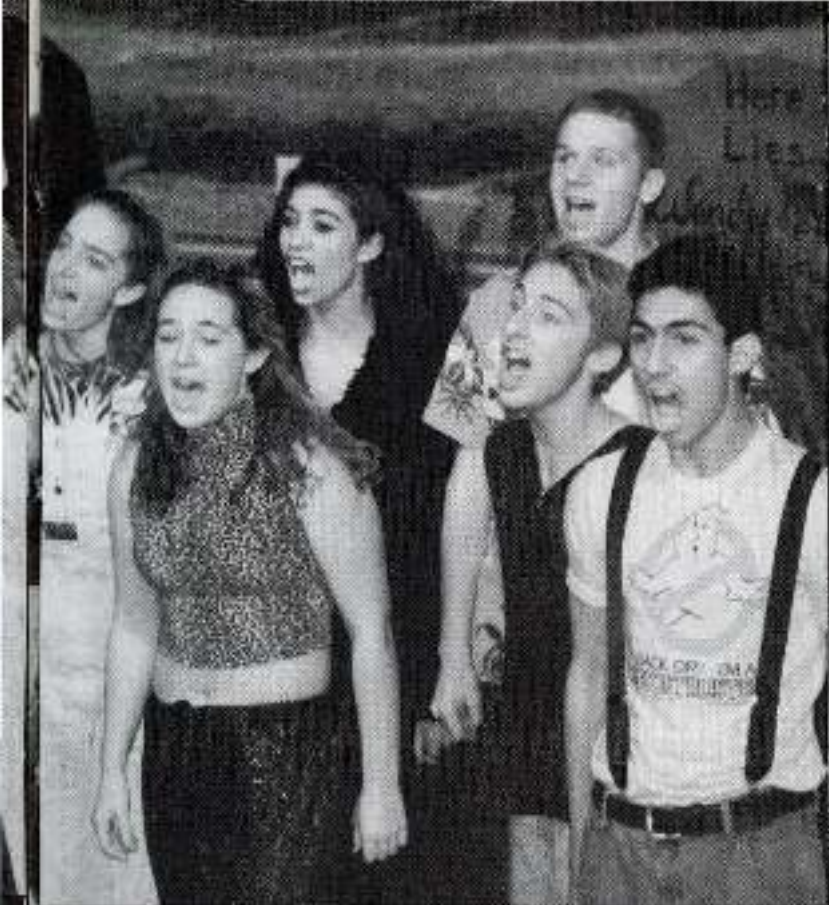
Choir also participated in several competitions and performances throughout Southern California. Expressing her fondness of these events, senior Cristina Cavoto raved about "the excitement, meeting other students from various high schools and comparing talents—it's a learning experience." Junior Aileen Conway emphasized that her favorite part about competing was "seeing other choirs do their thing and showing others what you can do...even if we lose, we win." In addition to the numerous events the choir attended, the group took a trip in April to Orlando, Florida and the Bahamas.

Often, being a member of choir meant hard work, time, and perseverance. Most students were taught proper singing skills and devoted themselves to their talents. Choir was like a second family to its members. Sophomore Jennifer Edick remarked, "The best part about being in choir is the friends you make."

—Lesley Scribner and Melanie Waring

The innocent appearances of Hart Breakers, Megan Nolan and Sarah Moos charm audiences in the angelic performance of *Sister Act*.





Gracefully dancing across the stage in a wave of red and white, Hart Breakers perform a number during the Henry Mayo Tree Lighting Ceremony.

Striking vibrant poses, Sound Vibes members Leota Asperen-Pemsey, Eliza Hart, and Amy Smith entertain crowds with their smiles and voices.



choose to study every night

choose to cram before each

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never stop learning

academics



s and faculty

In the faint distance you heard an
annoying buzzing sound.

You first thought you were dreaming,
but eventually you reached out from under the
depths of your **Smurf sheets** to

hit the snooze button.

Then, driving to school in your Subaru,

you drifted into a daze.

Did I have an in-class essay in **English**? Did I
read for the **history** quiz? What about my

math review sheet? Is my **science** teacher going
to collect last night's assignment?

You were brought **back to reality**

by the sound of another bell,
one you could not shut off. The parking lot **was full,**

and you were again **tardy** for first period.

—Jessica Hartman and Seema Shah

A good stretch helps senior Geoff Espinosa (below) wake up in class.



spotlight on
deepthi hemrajani



What motivated you to choose concurrent enrollment at COC?

At first, it started with wanting to have a simple senior year. Then, after I found out that it wasn't a really, really challenging thing, I decided to work to graduate a year early. So, I decided to take all the classes that I could and still keep a social life.

Do you think that you are missing out on anything during your senior year since you are only here for two periods?


Well, I did lose touch with a lot of my friends (some of them even think that I already graduated), but I did keep in touch with my

close friends. I still spend hours on the phone...I am having a blast! I have a lot more social time and a lot more time to spend on myself. All I really have to worry about at COC is midterms and finals. I will go to prom and take part in all of the other senior activities. So really...what am I missing out on?

At this point, would you recommend this to other students?

Only if they hate getting up early and attending school all day! If they have no problems with it, why fix it if it ain't broke? Don't get me wrong, high school is great, but I am not a morning person. I love the independence!

—as told to Anne Lecravin



Bright-eyed and bushy-tailed, freshman Robyn Clezer (left) actually pays attention zero period.

Like a cat, junior Josh Hiscock (below) naps in class.

before dawn

"It's a spiritual thing to see the sun rise," declared sophomore Kim Gannon. Like many others, Kim sacrificed her long morning showers in order to take an early class. Zero period classes—such as AP Psychology, Honors CPEG, US History, and Spanish II—numbered 22 in all. The reasons why students took a zero period class varied from being able to leave school an hour earlier to avoiding conflicts with other classes.

Blurry-eyed and yawning, the average zero period student stumbled into class seconds before the 7:00 tardy bell. Relying on caffeine and sugar, junior Cherica Pickette felt "forced to function." Even those who managed to stay awake in zero period "lost consciousness," like junior Alexis Jares, by first period. "It's like my eyes are open, but my brain is still asleep," commented junior Sally Boyd. Unlike those nocturnal students, there were some who enjoyed waking up early and actually functioned better before the sun rose. Junior Brandon Whitney appreciated the lack of traffic and the ease of finding a parking space in the normally chaotic zoo of a parking lot. Also, though not as well known, there were students who found a zero period intellectually stimulating.

Sixty percent of students surveyed chose a zero period for the sole purpose of leaving school after fifth period. Why? Well, senior David Robinson wanted to "have more time to surf after school." Junior Lauren Miyako added, "The school day goes by faster... [leaving at 2:00]." Even with the benefits of leaving school early, 25% of students surveyed wouldn't take a zero period again. Junior Lauren Rasmussen rationalized that "...it's not healthy getting such little sleep."

Some students endured through zero period without seeing straight (or thinking straight for that matter) due to lack of sleep. Even still, many were brave enough to rise to the challenge of an early class. Other experiences, however, could be summed up by junior Trevor Upham's words of wisdom: "There is nothing as exhilarating as a lecture before dawn—honestly!"

—Dawn Melton and Kara Takahashi



With stats and figures dancing through his head, junior Ryan Zaman looks for an answer in his class book.



favorite classes

With a watchful eye, Señor Dean observes his students, seniors Neil Apoles and Lizan Lemus, work diligently on an assignment.



Michelle Alaman
junior

"Human Anatomy because you get to do a lot of neat stuff like put chickens together and dissect kitties."



Griselda Hernandez
junior

"Peer Counseling because you learn how to hear and help people out. I love it a lot because I want to be a counselor in the future and I've learned a lot and [it] will help me later on in life."



Jeff Whitmore
senior

"My favorite class is basketball because I get an A for doing something I love."



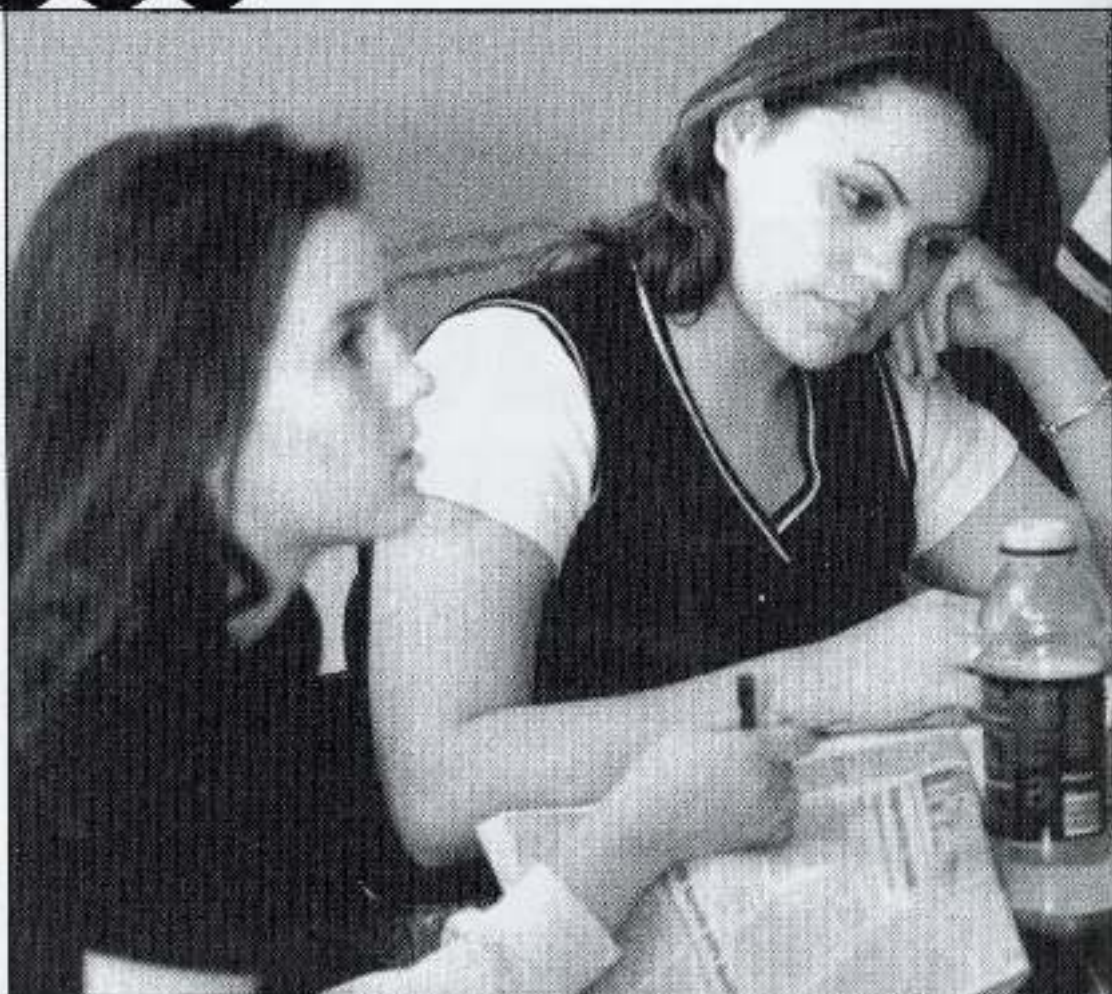
Jimmy Vogel
sophomore

"My favorite class of the day is Modern Civ. Learning about different countries and societies makes me realize that other people have more important things to worry about than making it to fourth period on time."



Jennifer Lopez
junior

"I think what makes my class my favorite is the teacher. So it would have to be Spanish with Señor Dean. We learn a lot and have fun at the same time."



Deeply absorbed in thought, AP Spanish students Laura Ragsdale and Lorena Perez contemplate the world event described in a Spanish newspaper.

"¿Qué hiciste el fin de semana?" Junior Jorge Ledesma and sophomore Eric Green indulge in a lively conversation with each other.





The voices and cultures of native and non-native

Spanish speakers blended together to create one

harmony that echoed between the walls of room

T-12. Students who chose to take AP Spanish

chose not only to extend their education of the

language by another year, they chose to become

a part of a class rich in personal stories. Hear the

stories of two students.

ap



**fabian
bejarano**

**native
speaker**

Why did you choose to take AP Spanish?

I wanted to see if AP Spanish would actually challenge me as a native speaker.

Describe the class.

It is probably my favorite. I love the fact that we get to pick Spanish names for the class. It mainly consists of vocab, vocab, vocab.

What are your strengths in the class as a native speaker?
Everything. Basically, I just rely on my native speaking abilities to get me through, but for some reason those damn accent marks just kill me.

What are your weaknesses?

I just can't seem to keep my mouth shut from making some funny splanglish comment and making everybody laugh.

Do you enjoy interacting with the non-native speakers?

How do they enhance your learning?

Basically, I'm a native speaker, but from looking at me you couldn't tell. All my friends are non-native speakers, so they're the ones that mooch off me when they need to translate something.

How has fluently speaking Spanish affected your life this far? How is Spanish going to affect your future?

I'm really blessed that my parents actually taught [the language] to me. I know many people whose parents are native speakers, but their parents never taught it to them. That is very sad to me. It's really cool to be able to talk fast and not have people understand you so I could get away with saying almost anything. It would be a pity to take Spanish for four years and not do anything with it. I might take it to a higher level in college.

spanish

non-native speaker

Why did you choose to take AP Spanish?

Actually, Sr. Dean talked me into taking the class. I met him at a pizza party for the freshman baseball team at the end of my junior year. We talked for a while and he persuaded me to take the class.

Describe the class.

Very interactive. We do a lot of boardwork. Sometimes we'll do listening and talking exercises, and we even play games to learn vocab. There is always something to do in the class, and it always seems to go by quickly.

What are your strengths in the class as a non-native speaker?

My strengths, although they are few and far between, [include] grammar, spelling, and accents [because they] seem to come easier for me than for native speakers.

What are your weaknesses?

My weaknesses are definitely speaking and listening. I am improving in those areas, but it is taking a lot of time.

Do you enjoy interacting with the native speakers? How do they enhance your learning?



**natalie
holtz**

I enjoy interacting with the native speakers. We trade papers and they correct my mistakes, and they also help me when I don't know how to say something. It helps to have more people, besides Sr. Dean, who know the language.

What are your goals for AP Spanish?

To be able to speak and understand the Spanish language, and of course to pass the AP test.

What advice would you give someone who is considering taking AP Spanish?

Take it. At first I was hesitant because I didn't think I knew very much, but Sr. Dean is awesome and he really knows how to teach.

—as told to Kristen Matter



Using balloons, yarn, and creativity, students of Mr. Irons' period five class decorate the room to resemble a cell. Imaginative and interactive projects made Biology more exciting.

During Spanish class, juniors Kelley Puckett and Colleen McEachern sharpen their language skills.



Wild and crazy, juniors David Knebel and Dusty Sternberg volunteer to sing the praises of their classmates. While participating in an English lesson, Mrs. Kearney's students were responsible for alerting others of correct answers to challenging grammar questions.



From the girl sitting alone at lunch to the boy in the "in-crowd" surrounded by admirers, everyone has been labeled with a stereotype at one time or another.

"I always get jokes ten minutes later. I hate when people think you are an airhead just because you're a little slow," remarked junior Megan Amorelli.

Through personal experiences, many people realized stereotyping was not something to be encouraged. "Being a cheerleader, people constantly judge

me as being dumb, a bimbo, or snobby. I'm not [any of these] so I wish people would take the time to get to know me before they pretend to," commented

junior Carrie Coram.

Throw out Webster and leave Britannica behind, Tomahawk has composed its own glossary of academic stereotypes:

Air'head (êr' héd), n. "A person who laughs at stupid jokes." [Senior Davina Mathews]

Bim'bo (bem' bö), n. 1 "Dumbo's twin brother not featured in the film because he could not fly." [Junior Chris James] 2 "A clown with a red nose who chews bubble gum." [Senior John Panlener] 3 "Bambi doing the limbo." [Sophomore Larry Bent]

Book'Worm (bük' werm), n. "Anyone who can walk around and read at the same time." [Sophomore Chris Horton]

Brain'er (brân' nêr), n. 1 "A person considered to be very smart." [Freshman Jack Lin] 2 "A good kid who puts education first." [Senior Rachel Morrison]

Brown-nos'er (broun' noz er), n. "Someone with a dirty nose." [Freshman Gregory Nogle]

Ditz (dits), n. "Someone who says things without thinking first; might hurt others without realizing it." [Freshman Ebony Lewis]

Dumb Jock (dûm jók), n. "Someone who uses sports practice as a reason for not doing work." [Junior Joshua Pickard]

Four-Eyes (for' is), n. "A person having] vision to the '2 and who acts very smart." [Senior Daniel Ledesma]

Hu'man Cal'cu'la'tor (hyû' mên kal' kyu' la' ter), n. "Mathematically inclined individuals." [Junior Philip Smith]

Walk'ing En'cy'clo'pe'dia (wök' ing en si' kló pe' de ahh), n. 1 "Somebody who's up to date and knows a lot about everything." [Junior Brandon Mackabee] 2 "A person who has memorized the dictionary and encyclopedia. They can give you a wealth of information on any and every subject." [Freshman Laura Hock]

—compiled by Jen Jen Chen

stereotypes

With last minute cramming for an approaching test, freshmen Jessica Call and Kelly Hauserman (below) hope to make the grade.

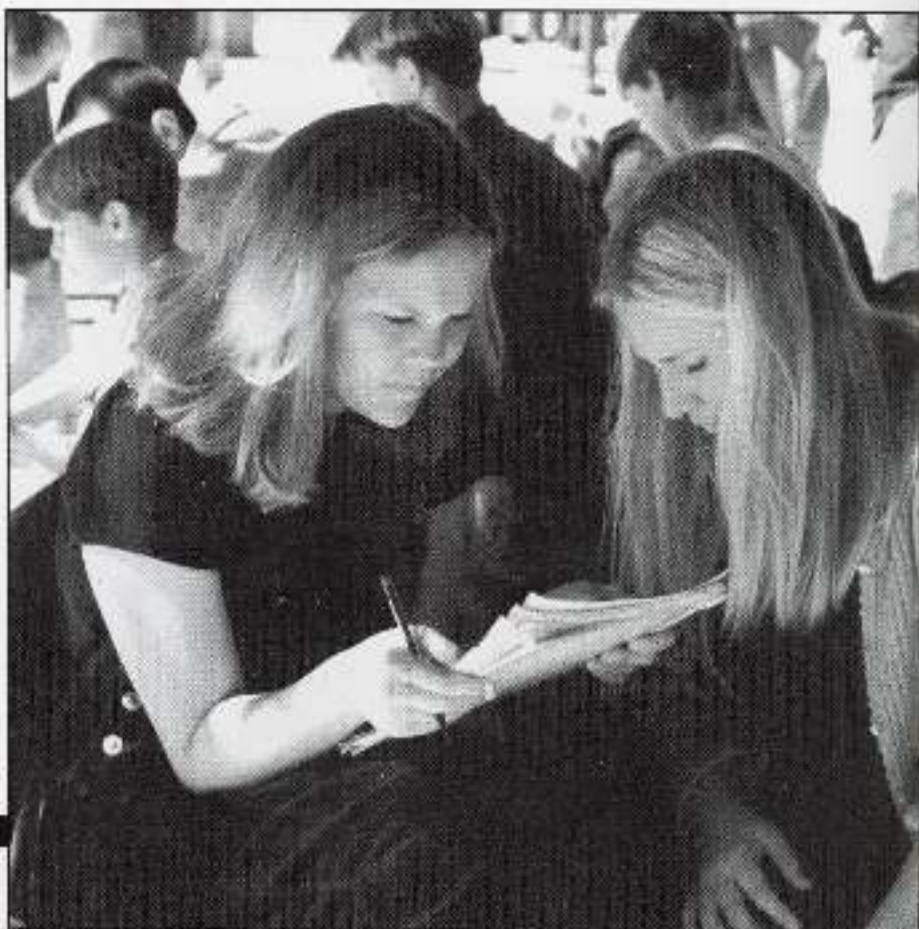
Lopez's essays, Stubblefield's projects,

Ahart's thesis papers, Pew's DBQ's. For

many students, these burdens rested heavily

on their shoulders.

rat race



Competition hovered over students' heads like a thick fog. "Within the junior class, there are a lot of really competitive students. We all want to be the best, whether for ourselves or for our parents," declared junior Janetta Iwanicki. On the other hand, fellow junior Payam Parvinchiha described a lack of competition. "I wish there [were] more competition. Competition, I feel, doesn't put pressure to do well, but gives you motivation to get ahead, which is helpful."

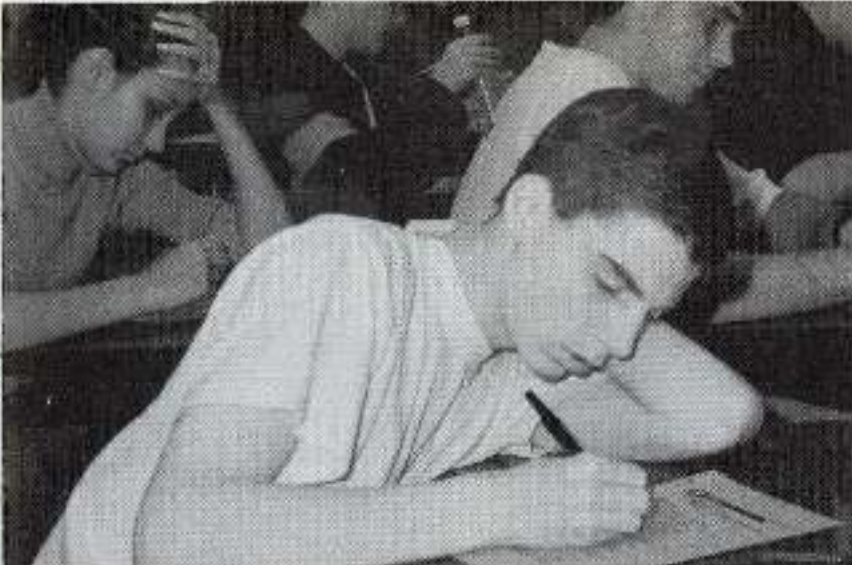
Students cited two main pressure points: themselves and their parents. "I get more pressure from my parents because they don't always realize what other commitments I have made," explained senior Anna Kuberry. On the contrary, sophomore Dikla Tuchman stated, "My parents expect me to do well, but I always pressure myself to do more than well. If I don't do so well, I get mad at myself, but my parents don't."

For some, reaching the pinnacle of academic excellence was their ultimate goal. Others, such as sophomore Amy Parman, however, put pressure on themselves to "...make something of myself. I don't want to be flipping burgers when I'm 45. I want to have a Ph.D in Psychology." No matter how far fetched their aspirations, most students put faith into themselves. Junior Skyler Ramirez commented, "I like to believe I can overcome anything I really need to."

—Leona Kwon and Melissa Petros

Is this English or Greek? Junior Kristen Semelsberger has a tough time concentrating on her cryptic math homework.





Stressed to the point of exhaustion, juniors Nick Turner, Lauren Geissler, and Mike Macstfield struggle to complete their test.

Concentrating intently on her SAT worksheet, junior Lauren Miyako tries out her new reading comprehension technique.



Pablo Picasso. Claude Monet. Vincent Van Gogh. Perhaps the next world renowned artist would be a fellow student. With the many fine arts classes offered on campus, there were plenty of opportunities for students to hone their creative abilities.

fine arts

In Art 2D, students worked on a variety of projects and used many types of artistic media: pen and ink, paint, colored pencils, and water colors. Students were also required to work continuously on a sketchbook that was graded regularly.

From a simple lump of clay and the magic of human hands, a work of art was molded. Students in ceramics classes created projects ranging from Native American pottery and mugs to a creative sculpture of their choice. They also had a chance to work with a potter's wheel. Mr. Hall, the Ceramics teacher, explained, "Ceramics teaches commitment that can be applied to all other aspects of life."

—Jessica Hartman

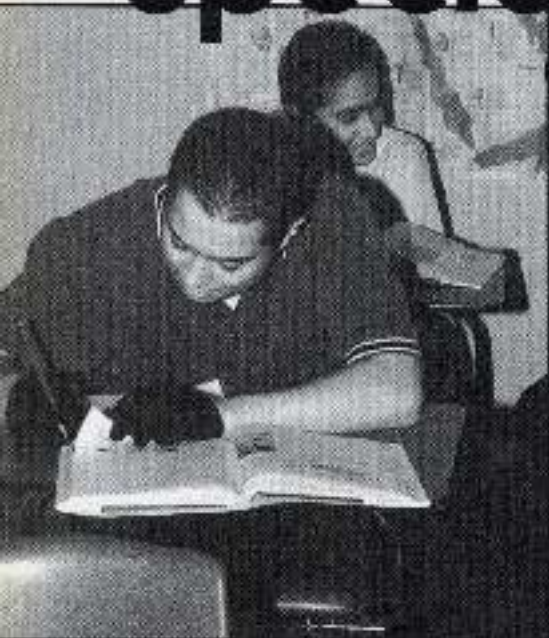
Of the 2,400 students that attended high school, only a few of them ever had the experience of being in a special day class. Most didn't realize what it meant to be called "special." So what set special day classes apart from regular ones? Apparently not much. "We try to 'mirror' the regular curriculum...in that we try to do the same things, but at a somewhat slower pace. Also we use different modes of presentation," explained Mr. Pepo, a special day class teacher. On an average day, friendly messages could be found on the blackboard, such as, "Hi Mr. Pepo! How is everyone?" The messages were appreciated by the class. The classes were small, sometimes containing as few as ten people, which allowed more time to be directed toward individual attention, a privilege that wasn't present in regular classes. Special day classes offered the learning disabled student a curriculum including English, Social Studies, Math, and Science.

special day classes

They also received support in choosing appropriate electives, in which the students went into main stream classes for a portion of the day. Usually, the students blended in naturally to their elective class. "I used to get made fun of when I was in elementary school. But now people don't care and they can't really tell unless you tell them," said one student. "The biggest misconception about these classes is that these students are very much different than their peers. They are not different, we do the same things as other students," Mr. Pepo added. So perhaps the only difference in special day classes was the abundance of unity, not the lack of intelligence.

—Seema Shah

Trying hard to stay focused, senior Jessie Peralta and freshman Kicky Pulido complete an in-class math assignment.

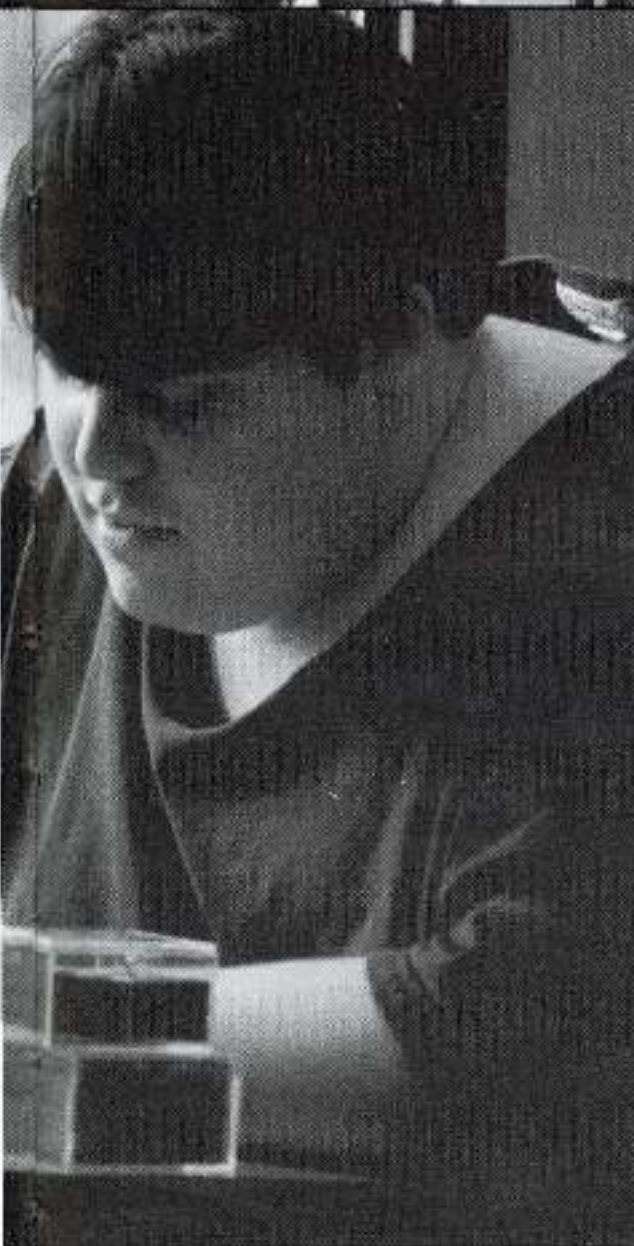
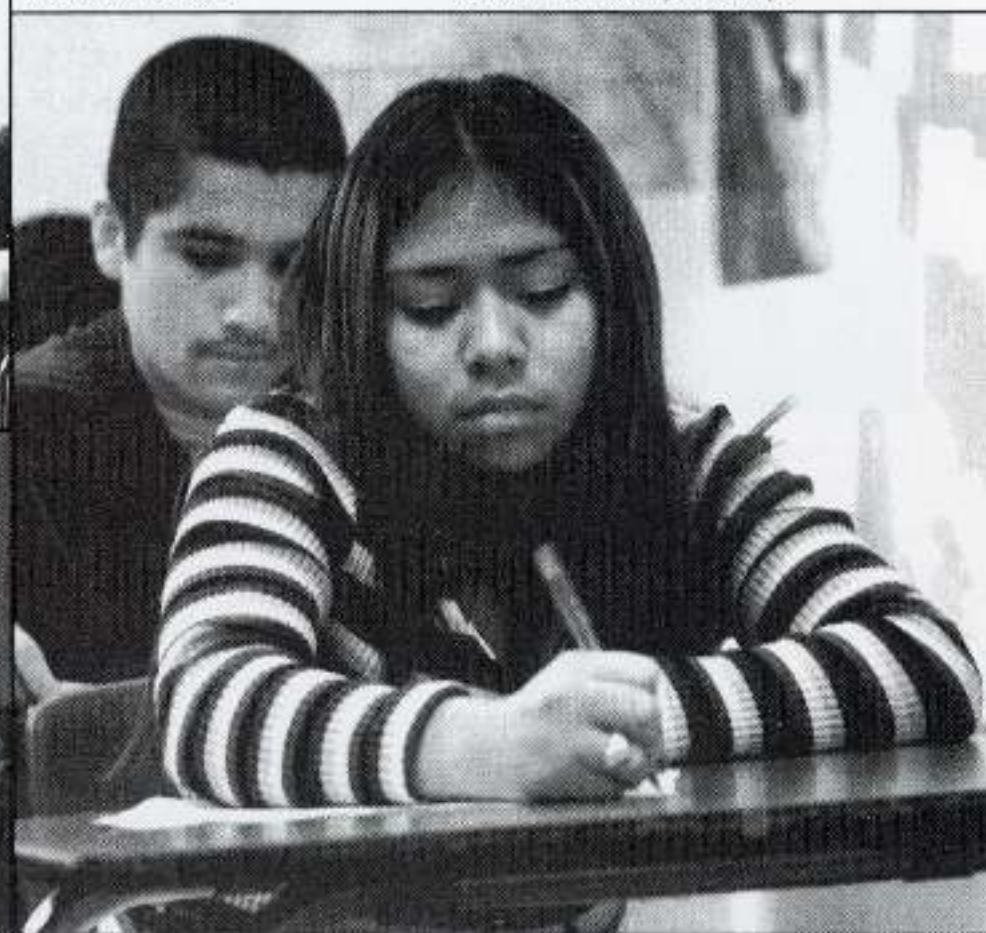


Checking over his answers carefully, sophomore Shawn Donizates completes his classwork.



With intense concentration, sophomore Virginia De Jesus finishes her Modern Civilizations exercise.

Trying to keep up with their notes, sophomores Maribel Leyva and Julio Ledezma listen intently to Mr. Pepp.



Walking around the campus with a toothpick in his mouth, junior James Masoner looked as if he had just eaten lunch. However, the toothpick was not only used for teeth, but for style. From Triple A batteries to Keith Murray's tape, James' backpack revealed his personality. Furthermore, a roll of nickels sat in the backpack "...in case [he] got in a fight." Defense seemed to be the theme as sophomore Casey Crayon had pictures of spears, sabers, and other ancient weapons.



baby got back

In addition, the average freshman toted *To Kill a Mockingbird*, while sophomores carried *The Pearl* deep in their knapsacks. Junior Amy Hough covered her books in newspaper. On the other hand, senior Rebecca Knebel casually stood by as the *Tomahawk* staff rummaged through her backpack to find items such as a crayon pen, three types of chapstick, and a toothbrush.



Moreover, pens, pencils, and paper stuffed average knapsacks. Of course, books occupied most of the backpack space. However, most backpacks obtained its owner's touch. After all, "you are what you tote!"

-Seema Shah



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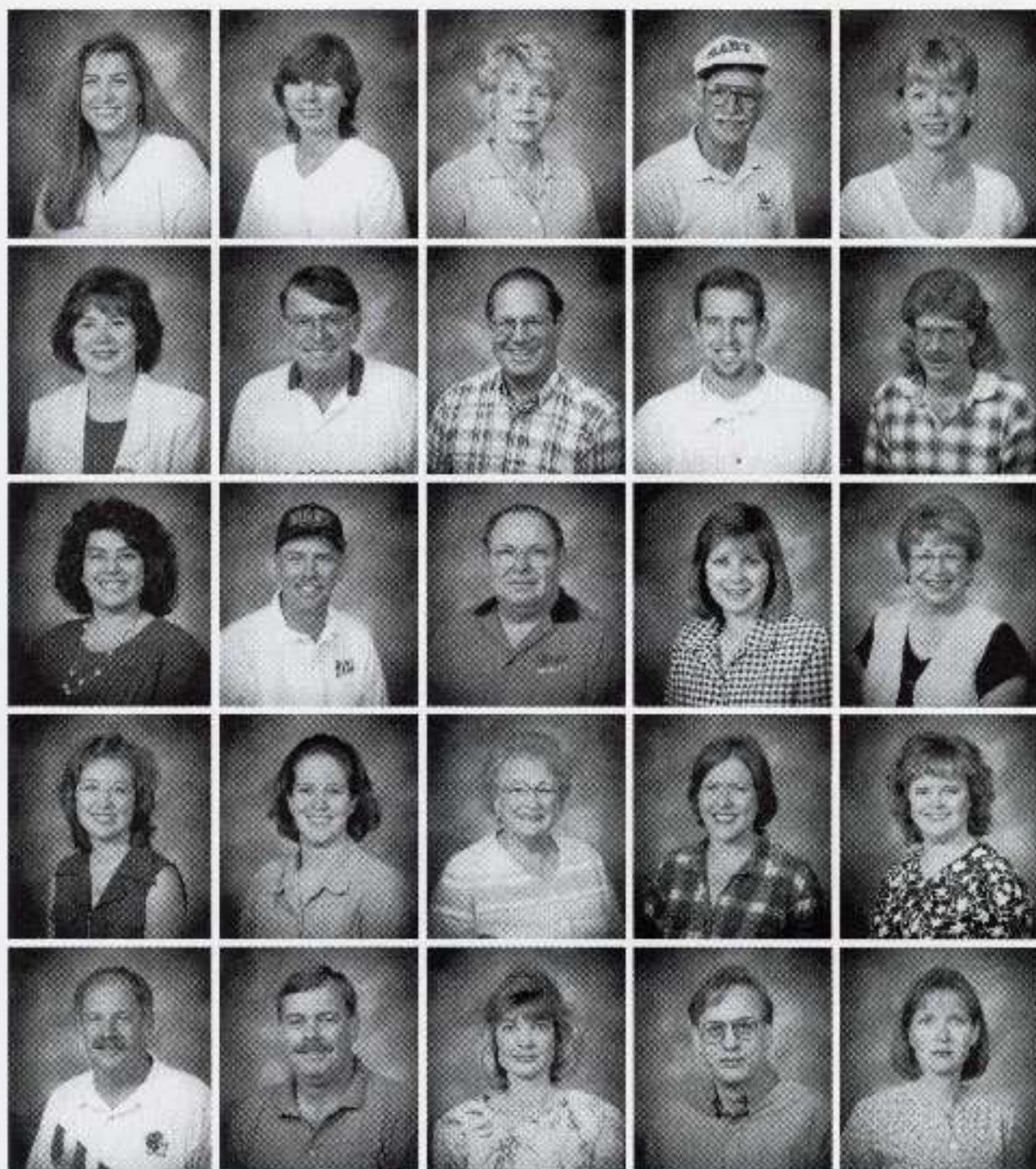


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campus confessions

Most students had difficulty seeing beyond the image their teachers presented during school hours. For them, a teacher's private life didn't really exist...or did it? The *Tomahawk* staff explored the life of certain teachers when they weren't writing on the board. *What would your students be most surprised to know about you?*

Mr. Coon: I am the great, great, great, great nephew of Mark Twain.

Miss Hamilton: My prom date in high school, [who] was also my boyfriend of three years, went home with my best friend! I never spoke to them again.

Describe yourself using four words that begin with the letters H-A-R-T:

Ms. Carr: **H**istriomic(overly dramatic), **A**crohypothermic(abnormally cold), **R**uminative(thinks too much), **T**achyglossal(talks too fast).

Miss Centoni: Herculean, Athenic, Rhapsodic, Teiresial.

Mrs. Kearney (pictured left): **H**umorous, **A**nimated, **R**eceptive, **T**ender-hearted.

—as told to Seema Shah



hail to the chief

The newest man on campus didn't shy away in the corner of his English class or sit alone at lunch. No, the new kid pushed his way into the center of the crowds and gave free drinks out at brunch. The new kid wasn't a freshman or a senior. The new kid was principal, Mr. Fuller.

Throughout the year, students became acquainted with the new principal and discovered he had an interesting past. Born in Taft, California, Mr. Fuller enjoyed his elementary through high school years, studying and socializing. He realized the importance of his education when he attended Cal State Northridge. Later, he transferred to Birmingham University to major in Physical Education and Social Science.

After college, he landed his first job as a teacher; other jobs soon followed. Before he came to campus, he was the Planning Principal of another high school and the Superintendent of El Tejon Unified District.

With a positive outlook, Mr. Fuller encouraged students to work hard, to set high goals, and to strive to be their best. One of his students was his son Garrett. Because they attended the same school, Mr. Fuller spent time with his son, a time most fathers and sons didn't have. He commented, "We have a great time together!"

After school, the principal fished, hunted, exercised, and read. In addition, he enjoyed the outdoors and time with his family. He also found joy by helping teens find success. He advised others to "...be the best person possible."

Approaching his first year with a commitment to create a "home for students," Mr. Fuller knew the school needed to continue the tradition of pride and "excellence that has been established by former administrators, teachers, parents, and students. This wonderful spirit exists in the staff, the parents, and the students." As principal, Mr. Fuller saw teenagers choose future paths. He strived to prepare students for the 21st century by incorporating technology into education. Mr. Fuller concluded, "[The students] are simply wonderful and the best! They are the heart of Hart!"

—Claudia Lopez



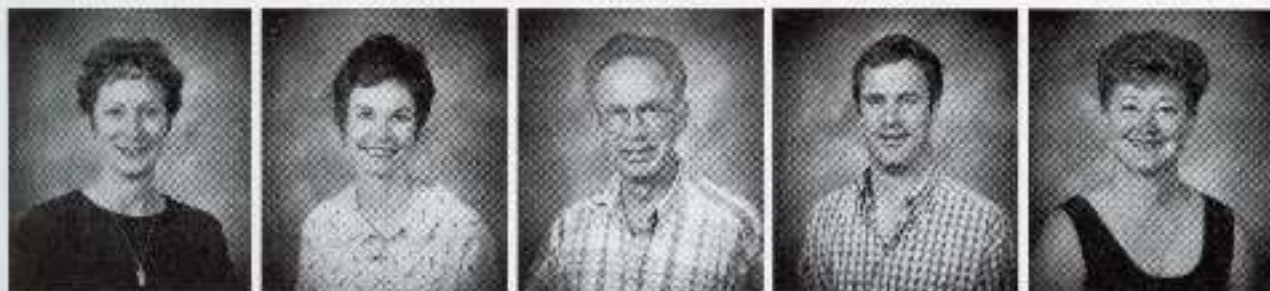
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spotlight on mrs. ladd

What classes do you teach?

Well, I teach two AP classes, that's Advanced Comp...I teach three freshman classes. One is the regular level, just for ordinary freshman students and then I have two classes [of] what is called Compensatory English 9A. And it's for those students who are trying to learn the basic skills of English—writing, reading—so they can pass the competency test at the end of the semester, hopefully.

What is a typical day like in each of your classes?

Alright, in the AP classes we go a million miles an hour. Everything is fast and everything is intense...just an abundance of material at a fast pace. With my regular freshman class, I also work at a pretty fast clip. I try to cover as much material, I try to make it as much fun. I try to offer as many different approaches to a piece of literature as possible...My compensatory class focuses on the basics, you know—writing a complete sentence, making sure that spelling is correct, putting the proper quotation marks where they should be.

What made you want to teach such a array of classes?

Well, I really like the change the day brings to me... But what the variety has done for me is, I think, it's made me more human. I think I can understand and identify with those students who really do struggle to succeed. And, I think, that's made me a little more compassionate and understanding and not so quick to expect perfection.

What do you like best about teaching?

Working with young people. It's delightful; it's refreshing. It keeps me young. It makes me remember and understand the way things are with the real world...I always want to stay in the classroom and have daily interaction with students. And [to be] able to help somebody.

Do you have any final comments about teaching?

Teaching is the most wonderful profession in the world... You can truly, truly help shape the future through teaching and I love it.

—as told to Amy Bagley



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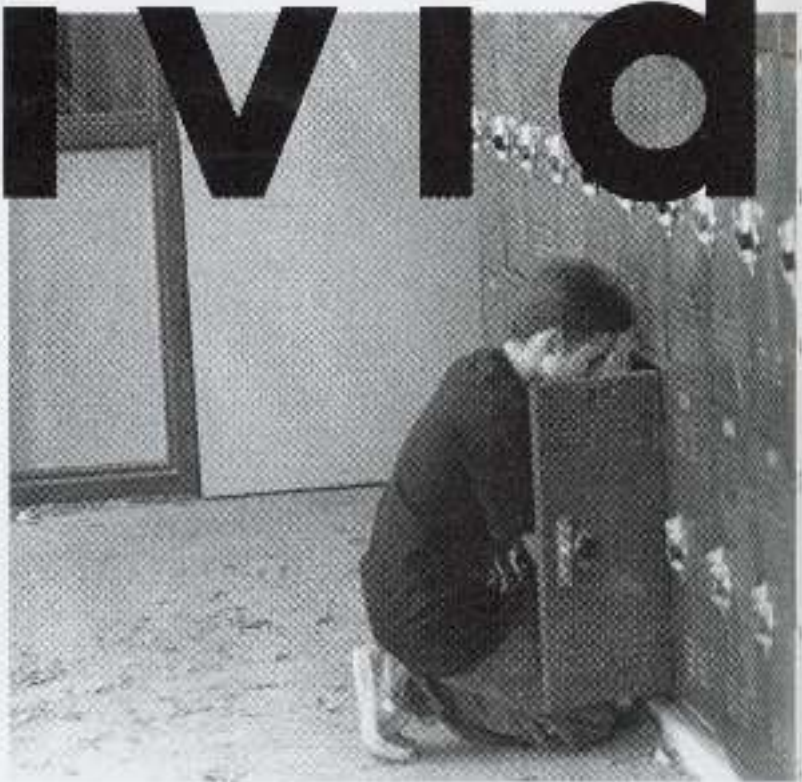
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individual



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A quick glance
across the quad at brunch captured a sea
of **faceless bodies.**

Blended together these

juniors, sophomores, and freshmen formed the
underclass.

A closer look revealed separate and **distinct** faces,

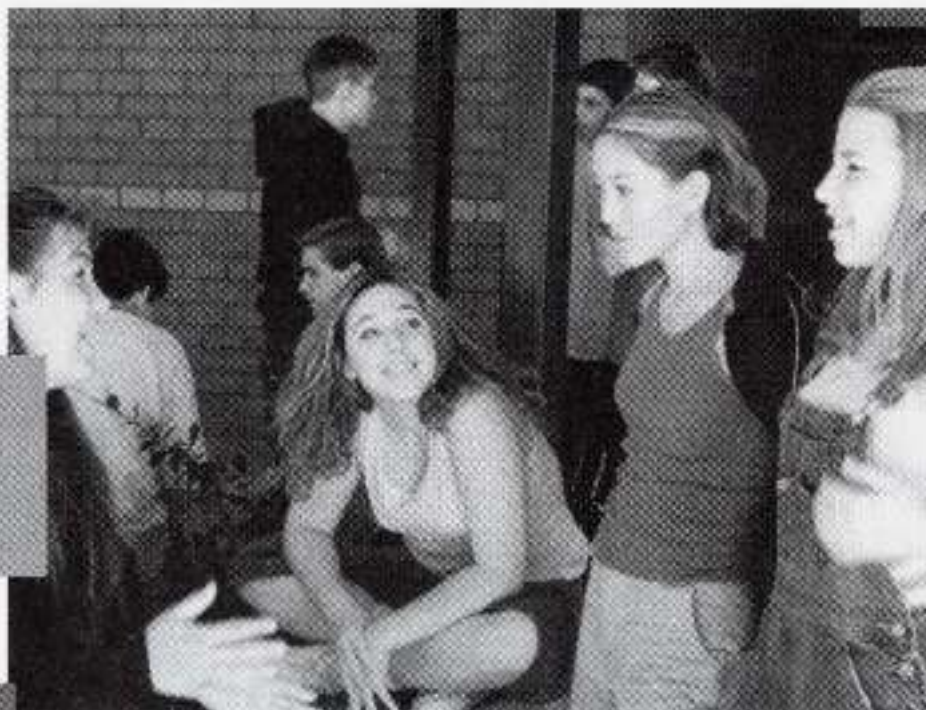
each beautiful and unique. Every

student **stood out** and **stood alone**; each was an

individual.

—Melissa Petros

Junior



AP classes, varsity teams, drivers licenses, off-campus passes, responsibility, stress!

This class, which would be the last to graduate in the twentieth century, became upperclassmen. The third year of high school was an opportunity to prepare for the future. "I have been taking the SAT and financial aid workshops as well as looking at what colleges to go to," said Abigail Bustamante. Juniors were forced to accept the past and look toward the future; studying not merely to impress friends and parents with straight A's, but to impress colleges with a decent GPA.

Looking ahead to graduation, which would lead to four more years of school or the beginning of a new career, juniors made decisions on how to prepare for applications, whether they were for a college or a business.

Juniors enrolled in AP classes to impress admissions offices, and also juggled sports and studies at times. "I'm enrolled in two [AP classes, Stats and Physics] and I'm also on swim team. When swimming season starts, swimming and school take over my life," explained Ashley Holmes.

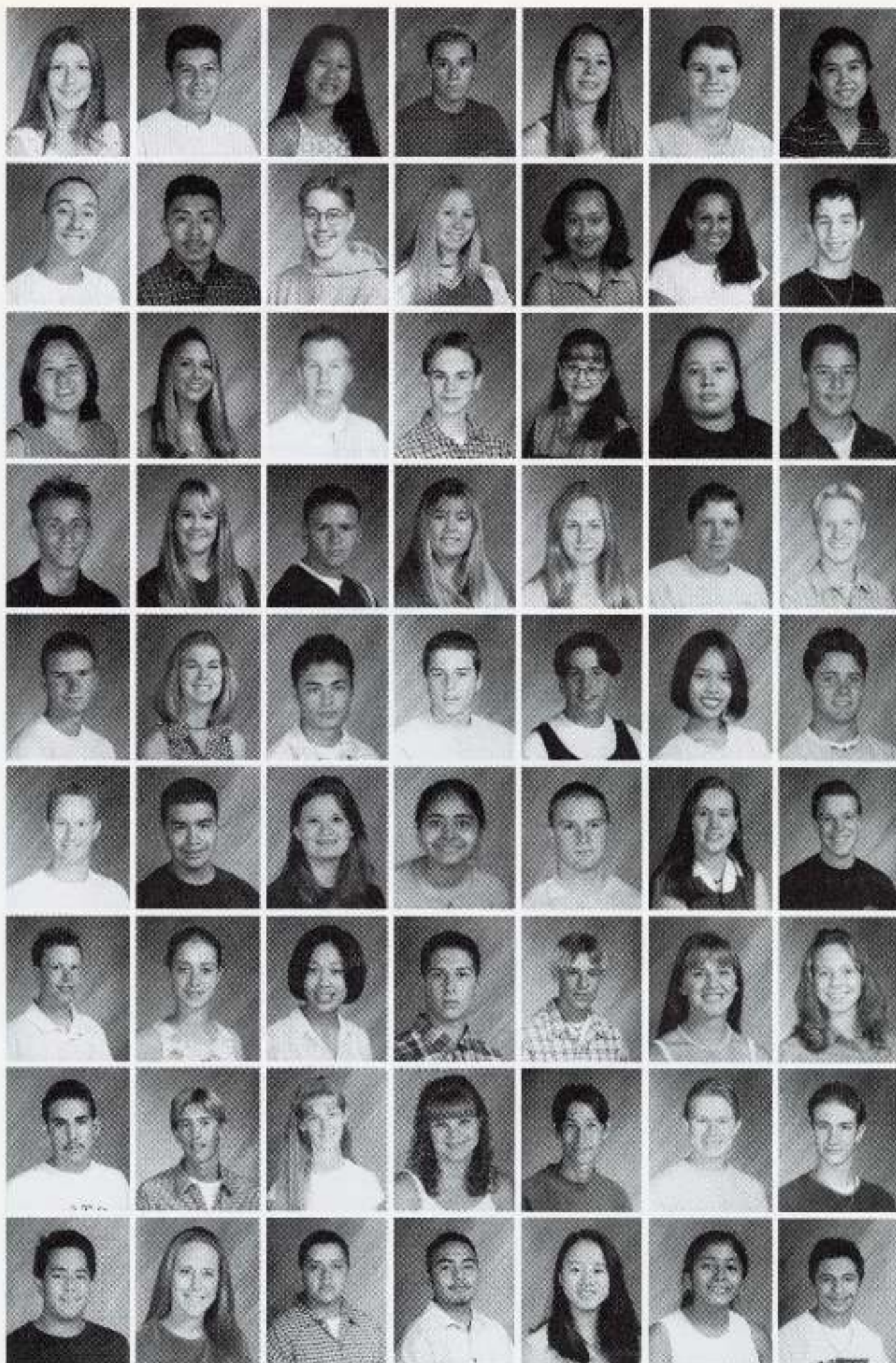
Other students had put more thought into a particular college by taking the required credits and visiting schools. "I have thought about colleges and I'm hoping to go to UC Davis on a horseback riding scholarship," said Samantha Lubbering.

Preparations were not the only responsibilities laid on the shoulders of the newly inaugurated upperclassmen. Most juniors were entrusted with shiny, black off-campus passes which entitled them to roam the streets during lunch. "At lunch I get a bigger variety of places to eat and I make fun of the freshman and sophomores 'cause they can't go out," said Justin Smith.

However, junior year was more than an opportunity to poke fun at underclassmen. For some, it was a chance to expand the mind and accept new responsibilities.

—Annie Parr





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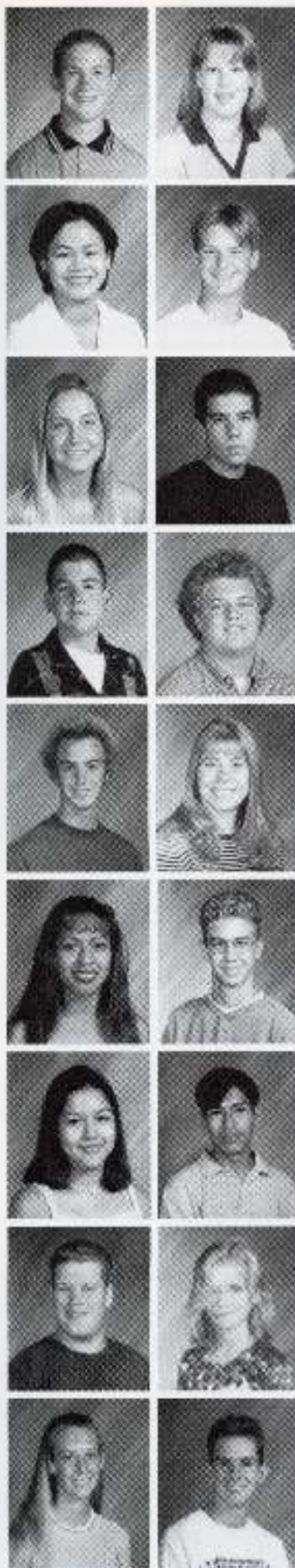


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bertalan horvath

Where were you born?

I was born in Hungary and when I was about two years old my family moved to California, but Hungarian is my first language.

What do you mean your first language?

I was born deaf and the first time that I spoke was in broken Hungarian. Now I also use sign language and English to communicate. I am constantly code switching to fit the situation that I am in. Sometimes I don't even realize it.

Does your family know sign language?

They know a little bit, enough to communicate, but at home we speak Hungarian. They didn't learn too much because it is a difficult language to understand, especially when it is not a hearing person's natural language.

Do you have any brothers or sisters? Are any of them deaf?

Yes, I have three brothers—one that is younger, one that is older, and a twin. I also have a younger sister, but none of them are deaf.

I know it is said that many twins have a really close relationship, a special connection. Do you have this bond with your twin?

I think we do. When we were younger we made up our own signs that we used only with each other. We still use some of them even though we are older.

So, what do you like to do in your free time?

I like to hang out at the mall with my friends and go to the movies. I like doing anything that has to do with being outdoors. Ever since I was six or seven, I have been going to as many deaf camps as I can so that I can be outside. But now I go to cross country camp every summer.

How did you get involved in cross country?

My interpreter noticed that I was always one of the first people to finish the daily runs [in PE]. We asked the [cross country] coach what he thought about me joining and he had no problem with it whatsoever. Some people can be very accommodating to the deaf, but others think that the interpreters will get in the way, or that there would be too many communication problems, or they just don't want to bother with [talking to the deaf].

I understand that you have a job, how does that work?

It is a work experience program funded by the government that allows me to work at various locations. Right now, I am working at Kay Bee Toy Store at the mall. I go there every day during sixth period and I get paid minimum wage just like everyone else. I like it a lot because I enjoy being around people, and I am doing so well that they are considering hiring me seasonally.

Has there ever been an incident where people have treated you differently because you are deaf?

When we used to live in the valley, the place where I went to school would not allow me to sign and I was told that I could only communicate orally. That was very hard for me because

"Learning English would be like you trying to read and write Spanish when you have never seen it and you can't hear."

that is [not] what I had been accustomed to doing.

What do you think of hearing people learning sign language?

I like it because it gives me more people to talk to at school, and I think the fact that they are making an effort to communicate is neat.

--as told to Seema Shah



Catching up to fellow teammate Trevor Upham, Bert Horvath sprints the last 100 yards of the Griffiths Park cross country league finals.

Best friends do everything together—even vacation in Idaho. Dayna Cannon and Heather Kirby celebrated the 4th of July with a little jet-skiing.



Competitors by horseback, friends by foot, Carrie Adamson and Jennifer Arnold proudly display their ribbons after a horse show.



With a bear hug, Josh Kennedy and George Yocarina express their friendship. They have been friends since the fourth grade.



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two peas in a pod

They stood by each other through thick and thin. They fought over pogo sticks and Power Rangers. They laughed over chicken nests and fake lizards. They cried over poison ivy and pet horses. They weren't just friends, but best friends. These three sets of people—Josh Kennedy and George Yohanna, Carrie Adamson and Jennifer Arndt, and Dayna Cannon and Heather Kirby—told stories of how they met, how they grew, and how they became best friends.

How'd you guys meet?

George: Well, I've known this guy since. 'What is it?' [turning to Josh]. Fourth grade. We kinda found out we lived on the same hill in fifth grade and that's when we became really close friends.

Why do you think some best friends have broken off their friendship while you guys stayed together?

George: A lot of groups don't communicate. [Also] he knows everything about me, and I know everything about him.

Did you guys become friends right away?

Carrie: It was funny because when I first moved here I didn't know anybody. The owner of the barn [where I rode] and my mom told me to go to a house [where] there's a

little girl my age. Jen was scared to go out and see me so I used to come out every single day for two weeks!

Jennifer: And I finally came out.

What has kept you guys friends for so long?

Dayna: Heather's really good for me. We're complete opposites.

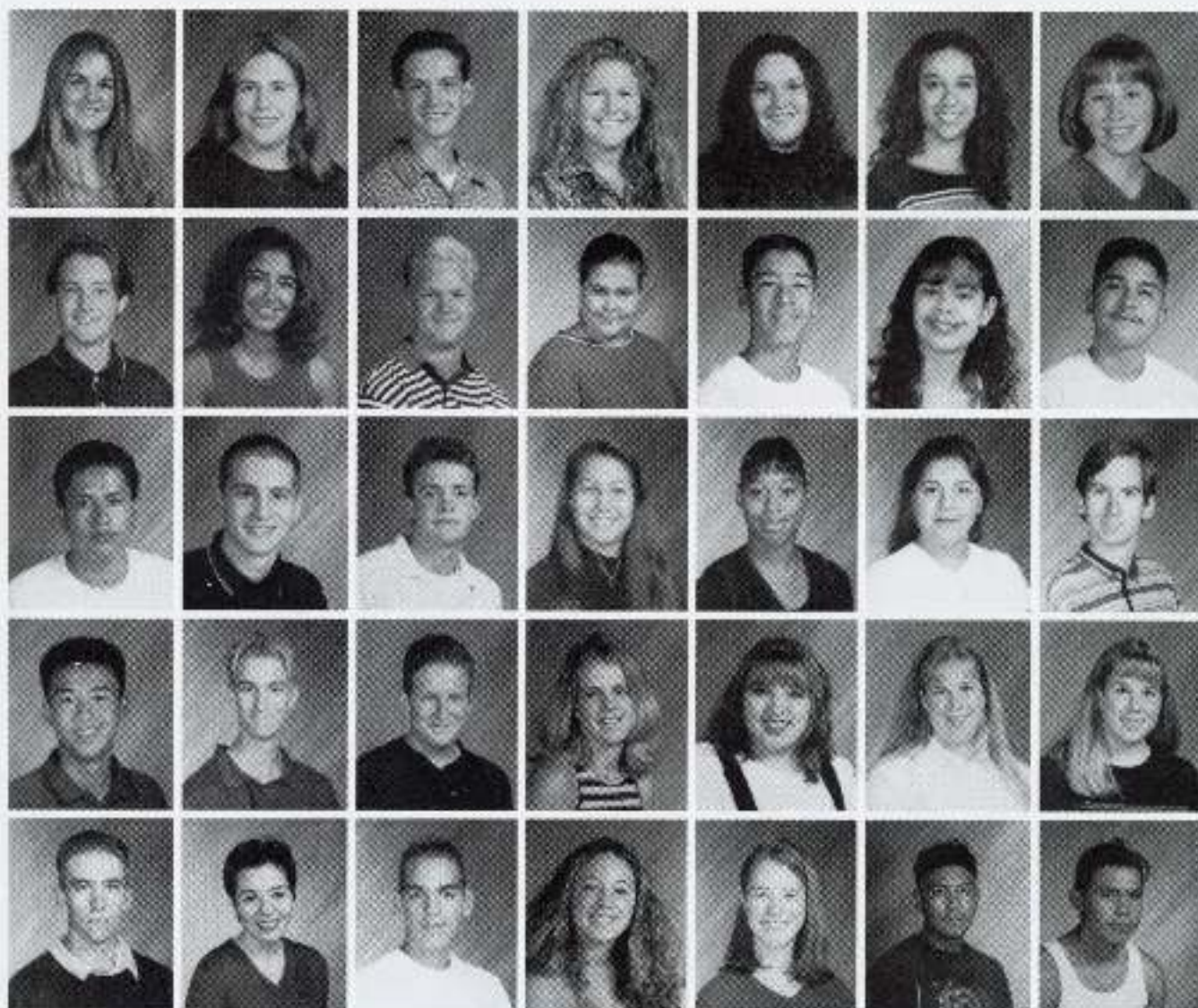
Heather: No, we have the same values and beliefs. I'm louder now because I hang around her. I used to be really shy and quiet. I'm blonde. She's brunette. I have brown eyes. She has blue eyes. I'm tan. She's got white skin with freckles...

Dayna: But Heather, she thinks about things and she helps me to think about things because I tend to be more loud.

What does friendship mean to you?

Heather: Someone who you can tell anything and actually discuss it with you and they'll try to help you get through it, but they're not going to tell anyone else. [Your best friend] can make you laugh when you want to cry, [she] understands what you're feeling before you say it [and she] knows you're in a bad mood even if you tell her over and over. 'I'm not in a bad mood!' It's like your soul mate.

—Tiffany Martinez



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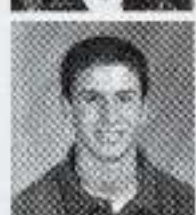


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 Jabez Martinez
 Patricia Martinez
 Tiffany Martinez
 Alison Marly
 James Maschner
 Shannon Mast





The dream of becoming rock stars had become a reality, at least in part, for Five Stories High. The band members were junior Jim Brush, vocalist; sophomore Trevor Foss, drummer; junior Scott Garite, bassist; and Alex Trissot and Matt McGreevey, both students at Valencia.

higher and higher

After a hard day at school, Five Stories High gathers to practice.

How did you choose the name of your band?

Trevor Foss: Jim thought of Four Stories High before we got Alex, so now we are called Five Stories High.

How did your band form?

Scott Garite: Trevor, Matt, and I were messing around and it actually sounded kind of good. So, we got another guitarist to give a thicker sound and to do more things music wise. We needed a singer and Jim Brush sang for my old band and we got him.

How often do you practice?

Trevor: Every Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday from when we get out of school or wake up, until dark.

What kind of music do you play?

Jim Brush: We adhere to not one column of music, but several pillars of various types of music.

Ideally, where do you see your band a year from now?

Jim: We will still be practicing, maybe with a label under our belt, if not just having fun playing music.

What are your goals for the future?

Trevor: Maybe pursue a career in music and if not, to keep playing my drums as a hobby.

Scott: To be famous, make money off our music while having fun doing it. Also, to get places to play shows and a chance to get known. Also, to write more music.

—as told to Charlotte Clark

Pumped up by the music's energy, singer Jim Brush busts a move as his fellow Five Stories High band members, Alex Trissot, Matt McGreevey, and Scott Garite play a few of their original tunes.



They've got rhythm; they've got music... bassist Scott Garite and drummer Trevor Foss can't ask for more.



Pausing from their masterpiece creator, Kami admires the Elvis bust while Jared admires Kami.

On Friday night, October 3, 1997, Tomahawk sent two juniors, Kami Martin and Jared Valenzuela, on a blind date. First they painted a sculpture, a bust of Elvis, together at Color Me Mine and then they ventured to Fatburger for a late dinner. Here's what happened:

hunka hunka burnin' love

Kami: Wait, what color is that? Purple? Blue?

Jared: I dunno.

Kami: Whoa. Oh my gosh!

Jared: What?

Kami: Look it. This side is all grey, this side is multicolored!

Jared: Kami, here, it's just like putting all kinds of good stuff and I'm just like dumping it on. I'm seriously painting it, like, 'O.J. Simpson' style painting.

Jared: You know, I find the key to painting to be delicate strokes, much patience, and yellow eyeballs on Elvis. I ruined the whole thing with them.

Kami: No, it's original.

Jared: That's a nice way of saying it sucks.

Kami: No, I like it! I would have taken [the eyeballs] off if...

Jared: If someone said that about your outfit or something, 'Oh, that's original.' That's a nice compliment.

Kami: Hey, look at [Elvis'] eyebrows. They're so crooked.

Jared: I put the eyebrows, like, on the eyeball. Why don't we give him a unibrow?

Kami: If you don't stop me, I'm gonna keep [painting].

Jared: It's gonna all look the same when it's glazed. Just put [the paintbrush] down! Okay, it's done. Alright...

Describe your date.

Jared: She came late and I got there pretty early. I was just kinda sitting there, waiting. All the ladies in the store kinda pointed at me, 'That guy over there.' They kept coming over like, 'Hey, when's your date gonna show up?' and I was like, 'I don't know.' I like tried not to look at the clock because I knew it was past seven. I didn't want to know what time it was. I had some friends there to support me. We had agreed that if she didn't show up, me and one of my other friends would just start painting and sculpting.

Kami: I was looking around; I didn't really see anyone. Out of nowhere comes Jared with this flower and I was like, 'Oh my gosh, is it him?' He came up and he was all 'Kami!' and he gave me a hug and a rose. Then we were like, 'Okay, what do we do now?' So we were looking around at all the ceramic stuff. We decided on the Elvis.

Jared: It was fun. Better than the football game.

Kami: Yeah, it was cool. Good choice guys!

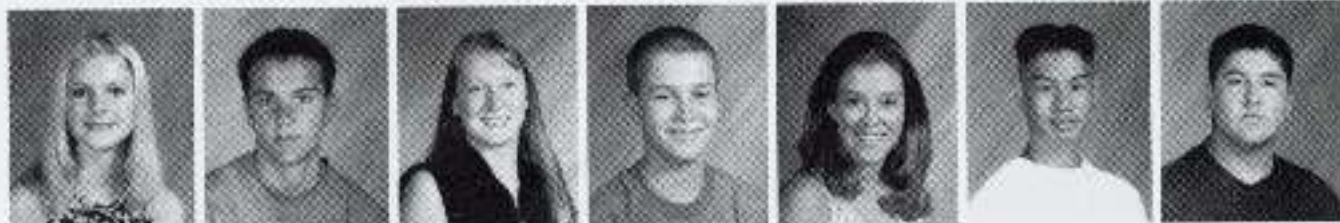
--as told to Leona Kwon

With a rose he brought from home, Jared adorns Kami's hair.



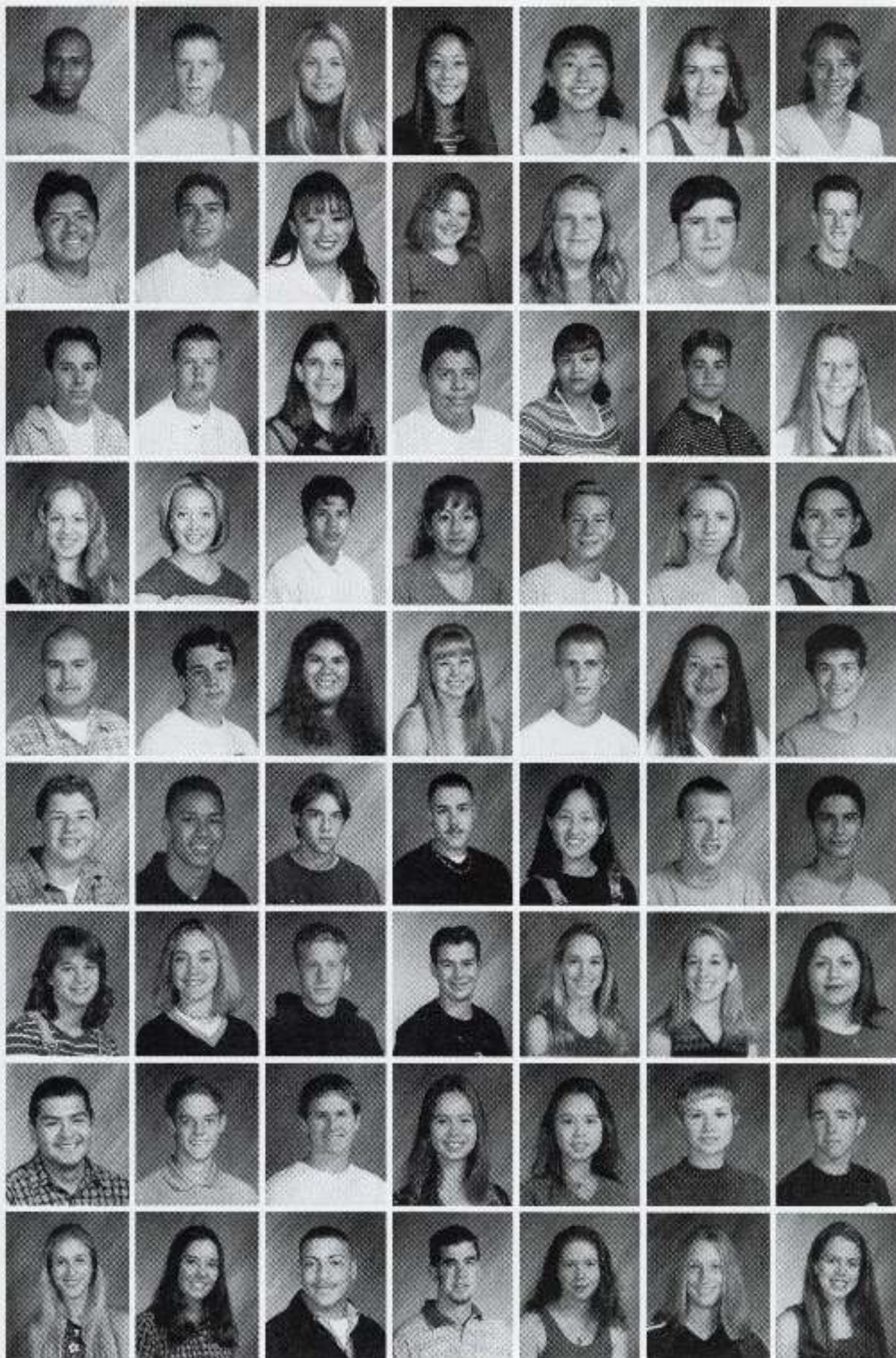
After their hot date, Kami and Jared cool down with their icy cold chocolate and vanilla milkshakes.

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Maxwell Mc Cloud
Coleen Mc Eachern
Kevin Mc Gowan
Lindsey Mc Phail
Sandro Mejia
Rolando Melendez



Dawn Melton
Maris Mendez
Alma Mendoza
Yvonne Mendoza
Linda Mercer
Arlene Mesa
Abel Michaels





Ahmad Milby
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 Allison Milton
 Ern Misaki
 Lauren Miyako
 Nadia Monsoev
 Sarah Moss

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 Valerie Morange
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 Garrett Morgan
 Chris Morshead

Christian Mostert
 Clifford Mowry
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 Israel Munguia
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 Bradley Murdock
 Lisa Murphy

Shay Musson
 Courtney Nanson
 Habi Navarrete
 Marta Navarro
 Chad Neilson
 Katie Nelson
 Shane Nelson

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 Casey O'Hara
 Veronica Oliva
 Daniel Olivares

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Robbie Puckett
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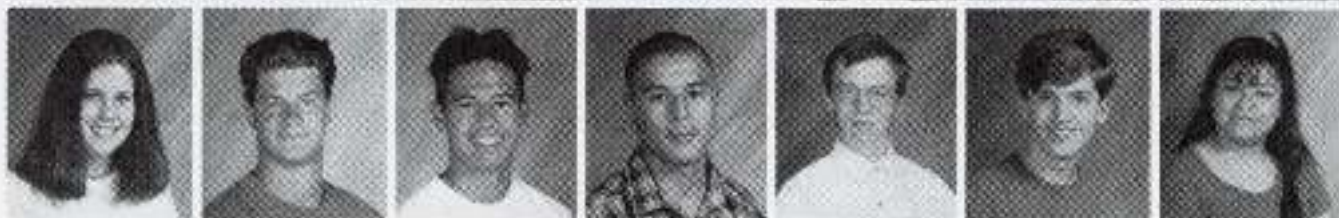
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Trevor Rich
Amara Ridgeway



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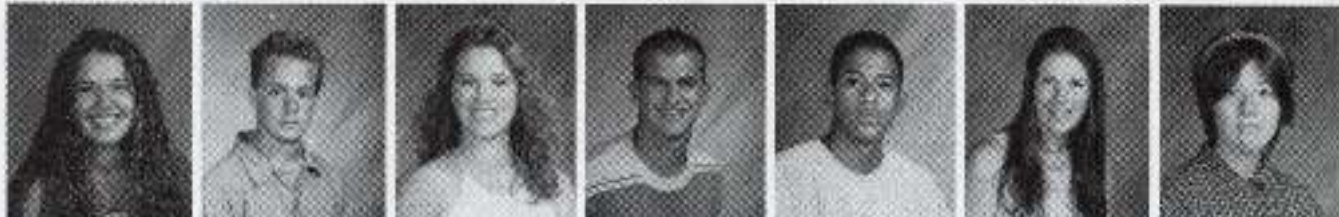
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Allison Scurlock
Kristen Seinsberger
Seema Shah



Sabrina Shamma
Scott Shannon
Amy Shaw
Jared Sheff
Thomas Shields
Ashley Short
Sharon Shy



Tomahawk selected four juniors to battle out the differences between the sexes. As the discussion continued, the debate grew more intense. Here's what they had to say:

he said, she said

Kelley Puckett: As far as sports and things, I think it's a lot tougher because there's not as many opportunities. At our school not as many people support the girl's programs as they do the guy's.

Scott Shannon: I think women have it a little bit easier because if your husband works and provides for you, then you can get all the great luxuries like driving a Lexus.



Scott Shannon [top] and Ryan Tominaga [above]

Emily Davis: Wait. I don't get his point. Why is that easier?

Scott: Tell me you do not want to be married to a guy who makes [a lot of money] and basically provides for you. Would you not like that? Would that be a horrible role for you?

Kelley: That's the attitude that puts women at a lower standard, because of the idea that they're staying in a house, while the guy makes money. That's not always true.

Scott: That's not what I said.

Emily: Maybe the fact that men are traditionally the [money makers] makes [life] easier [for women], but guys have it so much easier in every other aspect of life.

Ryan Tominaga: Not every aspect. Now on dates, men pay for most of the stuff.

Emily: That's not even true anymore. Lots of girls pay for their half of the date now.

Kelley: Well, I think there are more career opportunities and scholarships

for women than before, but still it's not at a point where it's equal right now. A basketball player that is a woman maybe makes \$200,000 a year, but the guys are making \$2 million a year.

Emily: And no matter how many career options you give women, there is still going to be the basic mindset that women are there to bear the children, raise the children, and that's their function. Like when a teenage girl gets pregnant, who has to take care of the baby? The woman does.

Scott: But society has expectations of men [also].

Ryan: Well, guys have it harder when it comes to sexual harrasment. Any girl can come up to a guy and say, 'Hey, you're hot,' and he'll say, 'Thanks,' and they'll just walk away, but if it's a guy [saying it] to a girl it's like...or like sometimes when you go out with somebody...by the next day girls usually say, 'Oh, he did this to me and that.' But it's not true.

Scott: I know guys have a bad reputation about that, like saying, 'Yeah, I did this with a girl over the weekend,' but you know it really comes from...um...

Emily: Immaturity.

Ryan: No...well what guy is going to file [for sexual harrasment on girls]?

Emily: That's true.

Kelley: I sort of agree with some of what [Scott and Ryan] are saying, not with everything, but like girls taking advantage of certain situations like sexual harrasment. I think women need to get over certain things, like for instance saying, 'Oh, we don't have any rights.' I think that if you just work hard and you're ambitious, you can move up in the world.

—as told to Kristine McDowell

Kelley Puckett [top] and Emily Davis [below]



Jeffrey Siemboda
Meredith Simmons
C.J. Slavenwhite
Brian Smith
Jasen Smith
Justin Smith
Keren Smith

Philip Smith
Julio Solano
Billie Soo
Janell Stanton
Marc Stephenson
Dustyn Stenberg
Michael Stone-Gross

Cindy Stucker
Austin Sulton
Heather Swanson
Kara Takahashi
Michael Taylor
Brad Terry
Brian Terry
Jon Terwilliger
Alexandria Thilking



Christina Thomas
Jaclyn Thompson
John Thorn
Kevin Thomer
Erik Tidholm
Ryan Tomlinaga
Nicholas Turner
Trevor Uoham
Quinn Va Verka



Brian Valentine
Diane Valerziano
Jared Valenzuela
Stacy Van Anda
Vanessa Vaquero
Alberto Vargas
Jorge Vargas
Anish Vashistha
Fernando Vasquez



Andrew Veldkamp
Marcel Veluzat
Jennifer Vincent
Thomas Wadzatz
Kari Waddell
Christopher Wagen
Ray Waliary
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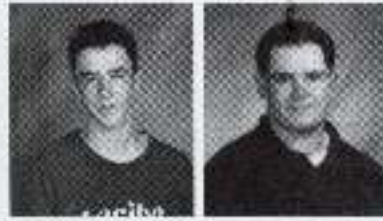
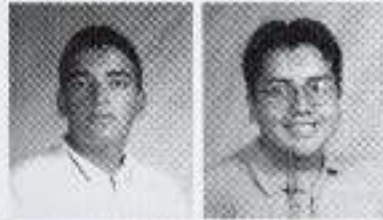
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Steven Wojnarowski



Thomas Worscale
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George Yohanna
Hunter Young
Travis Young
Susan Youssef
Daniel Zavala
Patrick Zwelow



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How did you get started acting?

When I was seven, my mom knew this guy who knew this chick who was an agent. So I auditioned for this agent and she took us and she started sending us out and that was my start. I wasn't discovered or anything. When I was little and my family used to go on these road trips. I would stare out the side window with this huge beautiful smile on my face just in case any producers happened to drive going the other direction and saw me and went, "I have to have that girl!"

*What similarities are there between you and your character, August, on *Third Rock*?*

She represents the domineering, aggressive aspect of me taken to an extreme. She's like me, but she's a sitcom version of me. She's the chick you'd see in leather pants and a whip.

In the future what do you plan on pursuing? Acting or school?

Well, I don't think I should have to choose between acting or school because acting is like my hobby. It's what I do, but school is kind of like, "You have to go to school." I mean, I'm sixteen years old. I kind of have to go to school. It's kind of like the staple of my life, but right now school is really important. But in six years, which is a really long time, when I'm finally finished with college and have my degree and everything, then acting is going to be number one. I don't have a lot of respect for actors who just drop out of school and don't go to college and think that acting is the end to the world because it's not. It's not something you can count on.

What is your most embarrassing acting moment?

I was at work and I was doing this big emotional scene with Joey, who plays my boyfriend on [*Third Rock*], and I had to rush up to him and hug him at the end of the scene. And we were standing in the kitchen [on the set] and next to that is the living room and there's a doorway but no door. They're right next to each other so that they can be reached easily with the cameras and everything. So I rush up to him and I hug him and we're kind of off balance because I'm a little taller than he is. And then for some reason we kind of fell over. It was just beyond even falling. It's not like we just fell over. We turned around a few times, fell into the wall, turned around again, fell through the doorway, turned around a few more times, and fell smack on the floor in front of three other of the stars of the show in a different set. We'd gone straight through the kitchen to the living room in front of the audience who thought it was part of the scene. Oh man! It was really embarrassing and he was so mad at me and I was so mad at him. He thought it was my fault and it was definitely his fault.

What is your favorite celebrity experience?

My favorite experience is when I met Adam Duritz from the Counting Crows. I had my manager call up, actually I had my mother pretend to be my manager and call up and say, "I'm her manager and she'd like tickets to see them." So, I got front row seats and backstage passes. I went afterwards and waited for all the screaming fans to leave... I kind of rushed over and I positioned myself so that he was going to bump into me and he's all, "Hey," and I'm all, "Oh my gosh! But I didn't do that. I swear I'm gonna marry that guy!"

—as told to *Melissa Petros*

Seeking advice, Tommy [actor Joey Gordinn-Levitt] looks to August [actress Shay Musson] for encouragement before his basketball game.

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sophomores



"We are the rulers of the underworld!" Delaney Gordon exclaimed, "being lower classmen and all." Although they were still underclassmen, sophomores ranked above the freshmen; thus, they were the rulers of the underworld.

Though they abandoned their freshman status, some sophomores helped freshmen by giving directions and befriending them. Matt Knutson commented, "Some of my friends [who] are freshmen I have introduced to other people." A few sophomores also found an escape from the constant teasing they received as freshmen. However, Shane Robinson was not one of them. "I don't feel different because last year I was treated the same way—with respect. I wasn't treated like a baby."

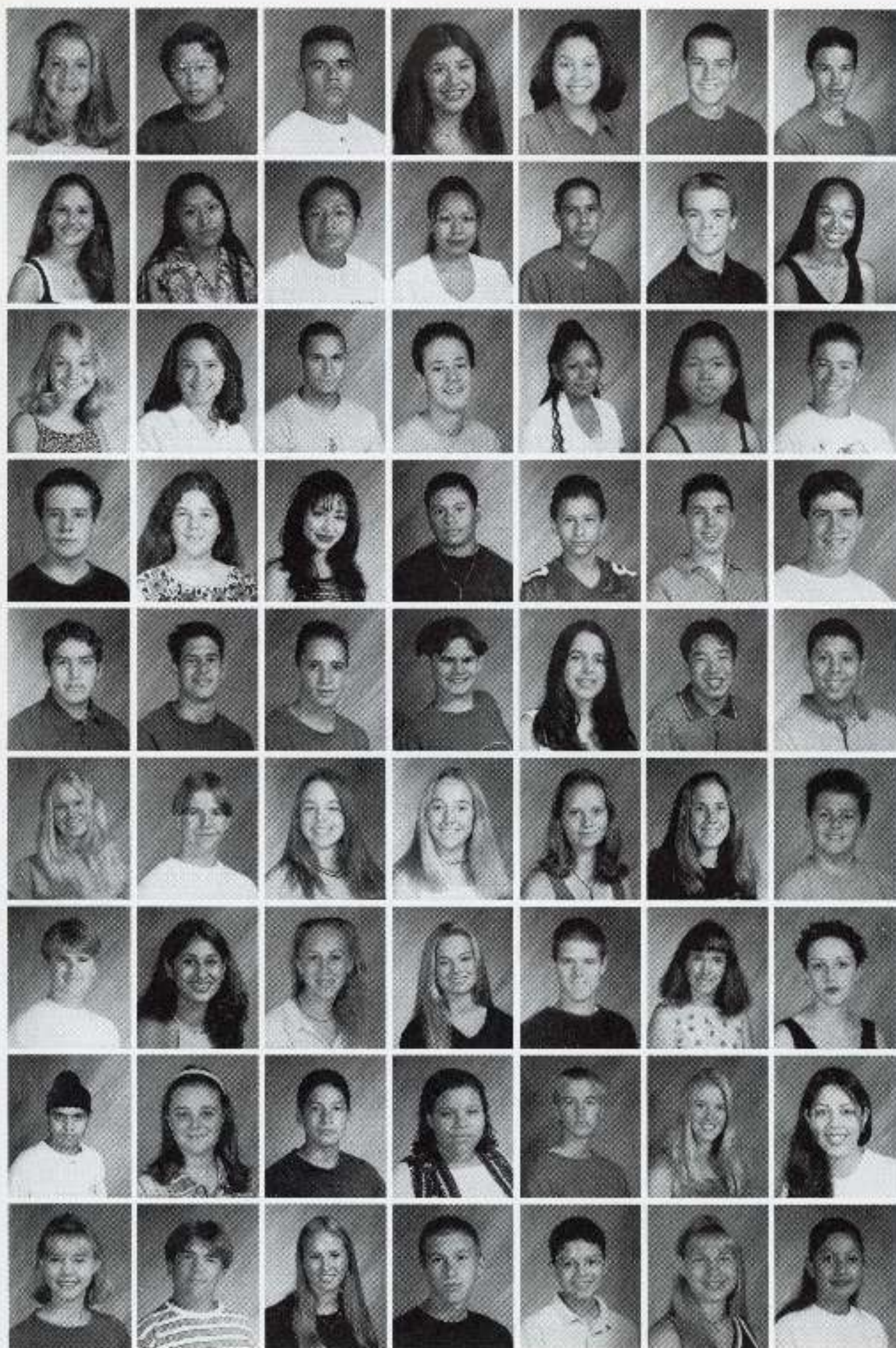
Furthermore, the struggles of high school did not end with the freshman year: sophomores faced new challenges. Their first history class, Modern Civilizations, enhanced their schedule. Moreover, many enrolled in AP Biology, the typical first AP class. Christopher Taylor disagreed, "I don't have anything new. I'm still only fourteen—sophomore or not! Though I feel a touch more stressed." On the other hand, Scott Yannich joked, "New things we get to do are hit on the freshman [girls]."

There were some who felt sophomores did not have any new privileges. "You still aren't in charge," Chelsea Hasler complained. "Plus, you still can't go off campus, or at least you're not supposed to for lunch."

Yet the sophomores still experienced many "firsts." After all, they would be the first graduating class of the 21st century.

—Tiffany Martinez





Melissa Abreu
 Merian Agha
 Brianna Aiello
 Eddie Akragom
 Roberto Alanis
 Heidi Aldana
 Kate Ali
 Joseph Aloisi
 Matthew Anderson

Sean Anderson
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 Lucia Antunez
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 Uvaldo Anuario
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Charlotte Clark
Mindy Cockerell
Genesis Colby
Danielle Cole



Bridgette Collieran
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Hector Contreras
Alissa Converse
Valerie Conway
Brandon Cook
Shelley Copley
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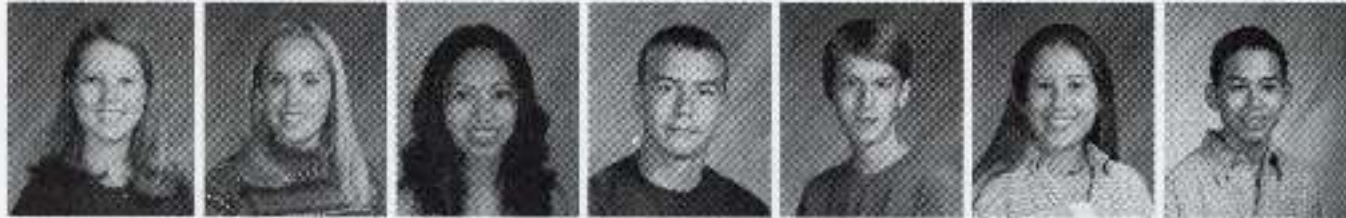
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Melissa Fletcher
Ruben Flores
Shawna Fly
Amanda Fortune



Richard Foss
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Melissa Frost
Christopher Fry
Garrett Fuller
Vanessa Fundenburg
Chanelle Futrell
Diana Gaines
Kimberly Gannon





breanna bingham

How old were you when you first started riding horses?

I've been riding since I was really small. I formally started taking lessons when I was about seven years old. From there I moved [from] ranch to ranch.

What made you interested in horseback riding?

I've always been interested in horses ever since I was real little. Rainbow Bright was my hero because she had a really pretty horse.

How much time each week do you spend training and taking care of the horse you ride?

Every day for a couple of hours.

What form of riding do you show?

I ride Western. I'll compete in Western Equitation, Western Pleasure. Then I'll do Trail Classes, and I'll even do Halter Classes and Showmanship Classes. Occasionally, I'll ride English, which is mainly flat and jumping.

What is the difference between Western and English riding?

[With] Western and English you have different tack, different saddles, and different bridles. The rider wears different clothes. The horses move differently.

What is the difference between an Equitation Class and a Pleasure Class?

In an Equitation Class the rider is mainly being judged, and in a Pleasure Class the horse is mainly being judged. Everything is taken into account, like overall appearance.

How do you prepare your horse and yourself for horse shows?

Before the show, you have to bathe your horse, braid its mane, polish its hooves, whiten its hooves. A lot of grooming, a lot of elbow grease goes into it.

What do you like best about competing in horse shows?

Winning's always nice, but that's not always how it works. To win and to know that you've worked hard toward that goal, and to achieve that goal is really gratifying.

What are the drawbacks to competing in horse shows?

Sometimes you don't always get out of it what you put in. And when you first start out, when you're little, you don't really understand the concept of winning and losing.

What is your most embarrassing moment while competing in horse shows?

I was at the horse trailer cooling my horse down, and I gave him some water. I put the water bucket on the wheel base of the trailer, and the horse knocked the water bucket all over me. The horse spooked, and it spooked a horse in the show rink. [That horse] got scared and tried to take off bucking. My friend was in the show rink riding her horse, and her horse [went] crazy.

How do you feel when you compete?

I kind of like being watched. [I feel] nervous, proud, good because [I've] put so much into it. And you're pretty much putting yourself on display in front of a whole audience of people, who are watching you, watching your every move.



"Rainbow Bright was my hero because she had a really pretty horse."

Do you plan to continue riding horses and competing?

I'd love to have horses when I grow up. I'd like to slay with it for the rest of my life.

—as told to Renee Greiner



Sporting the first place ribbon which she received at a horse show, Breanna Bingham smiles brightly with her award winning horse.

scent of a sophomore



Dabbing on a bit of that "manly" Stetson, Todd Arnhart gets ready for "the prowl." Many sophomore boys searched for the right scent to make the right impression on the right girl.

A fresh spritz of Mary Kay adds the perfect touch to Marianne Jones' carefree look.



With a look of disgust, Justin Connery wrinkles his nose at the similarity between the scent of Ralph's produce and fruity scents.



"I am a man on the prow!" Todd Arnhart explained why he chose to wear scents such as Stetson, Brut, and Old Spice. "If I'm with a girl, I wear my Stetson or Old Spice because it gives me personality, [but] if I'm just going out, I wear my Brut. It gives me that manly five o'clock [shadow] attitude." Marianne Jones thought it was fine to spice up a personality with a scent, but she felt "guys shouldn't wear something that doesn't fit their personality. If someone is goofy, a sexy perfume won't make [him] sexy."

On average, most sophomores wore one kind of scent. Of those randomly surveyed, only seven percent said they did not wear any perfume or cologne.

The favorite scent of girls for their boys was Hugo, and the next was Tommy Boy. Other colognes mentioned included Old Spice, Coolwater, and CKBe.

On the other hand, guys didn't seem to care what girls wore. However, they did care if the scent was too strong. Brandon George explained, "If some chick is wearing a really strong perfume and it smells like over-

used beach towels or something like that, I would seriously stay away from that chick."

The most common smells girls detested were "that bowling alley scent" of smoke, and the strong scent of deodorant, while boys suggested that girls not wear "too much of that Bath and Body lotion."

Justin Connery added, "A lot of that stuff makes them smell like the produce section at Ralph's." Mary Ellen Sanders explained, "Sometimes I will feel like putting something on and I'll grab my little sister's Bath and Body Shop stuff. I end up smelling like a walking peach!"

In the area of application, putting perfume on the neck and wrists was universal practice. However, some students sprayed the perfume in front of or above them and walked through the mist to avoid an over-bearing scent.

Overall, the way a person smelled seemed to have a dramatic impact on how he judged himself and others, especially when making first impressions.

—Megan Fotheringham

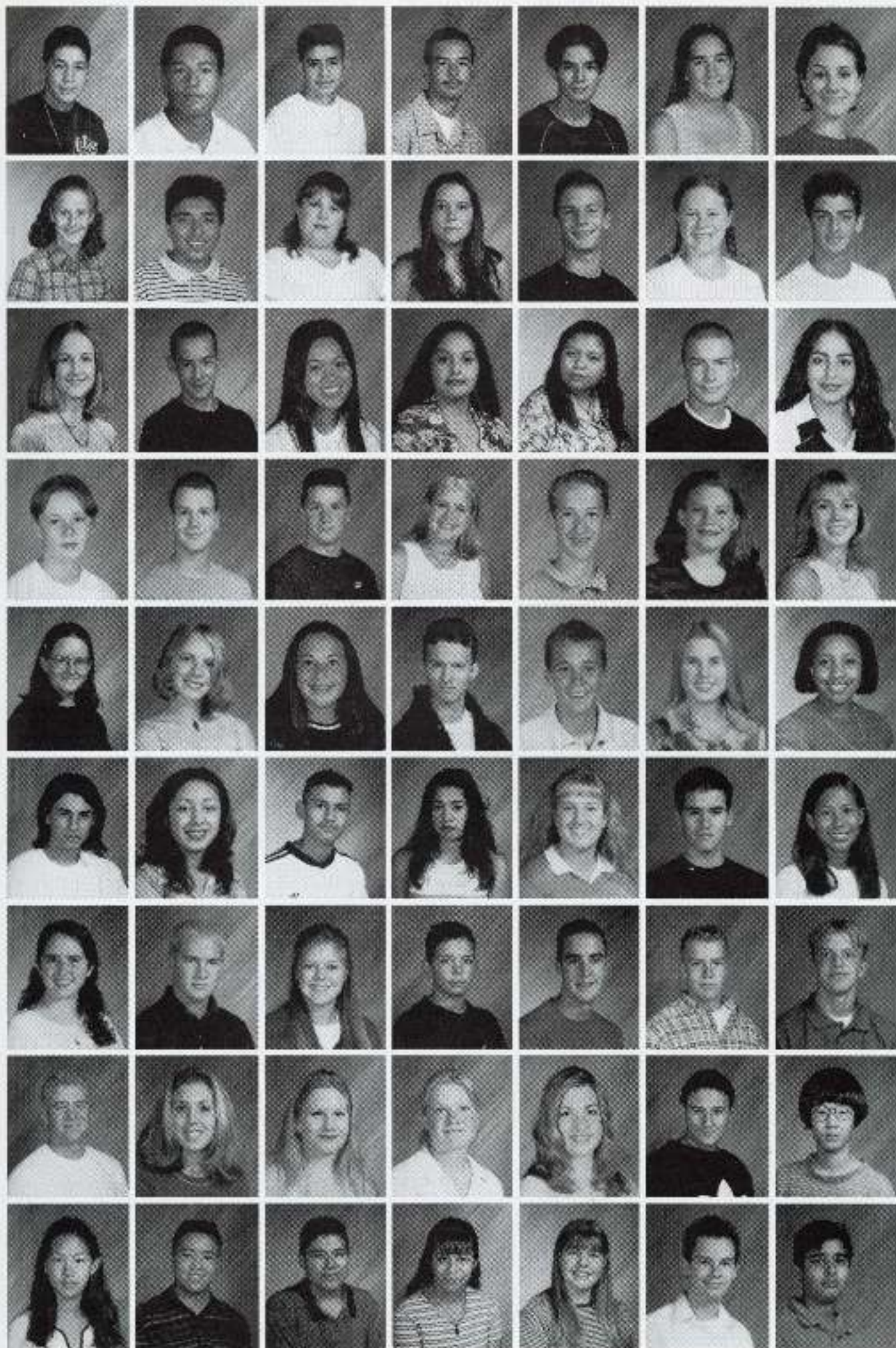
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Amber Garside



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Michael Gerbrandt
Cassie Gibbons
Jon Gomez
Wendy Gomez





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 Lisa Howard
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 Aissa Howell
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 Faisal Hussain

Andrew Ibrahim
Jennifer Ingelido
Brandon Insua
Sergio Isales
Erica Jacobs
Timothy James
Tiana Jameson



Cesar Jimenez
Jeffrey John
Casey Johnson
Katie Johnston
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Justin Jones
Marianne Jones



Sarah Kaamouh
Jeffrey Kane
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Andrew Kean
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Nicole Killian
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Esther Kim
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Kristian Kimoto
Matthew Knutson
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Jennifer Kornfeld
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Richard Krogman
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Jason Kurzius
Joseph Kusumi
Scott Lachasse
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Nicholas Langer



Kari Langlois
Matthew Larochele
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Natalie Laur
Marcial Ledesma
Julio Ledezma
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Esther Lee
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Ruby Lemos
Edwin Lemus
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Jessica Leone
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Maribel Leyva
Carisa Loduha
Erin Loeb
Breezy Long
Kelly Lopez
Mark Lopez
Rick Lopez



Melissa Lorenzen
Kimberly Lorraine
Timothy Lovas
Matthew Love
Omar Luengas
Jorge Luna
Joshua Lynch



speed racers

Driving a car is not a source of pure independence, Kate Ali (top) explains. She was often forced to run errands for her parents.

Despite his unruly nerves, Nick Langer (bottom) passes his drivers' test with flying colors. Nick reveled in his newfound freedom by testing the limits of his Jeep Wagoneer.

"You can't park, you can't switch lanes, you can't make right hand turns, you damaged private property, and you almost killed someone! Offhand, I'd say you failed!" Most sophomores counted the days until they could get their drivers' licenses. But, of course, they had to first take the test, and many agreed that their nerves flared up when the time came to take the long awaited driver's test! "I was so nervous," recalled Betsy Clark, "I felt like I couldn't drive because I was too shaky!" Nick Langer described rolling through a stop sign, screeching the tires, and missing an intersection, but still passing his drivers' test with a 92%.

Once the test was passed, most sophomores literally picked up the key to freedom. Teens were on the road again, but this time without parents or instructors. Nick Langer took his car "whomping," went over a jump at 25 mph, and according to his

friends, who eye-witnessed the event, "...launched six feet in the air and crashed his car." Other sophomores hit cars, ran over concrete dividers, and dealt with tire blowouts. Sophomores graced the junior and senior dominated parking lot in '97 mustangs, '87 jeep wagoneers, or their parents' cars.

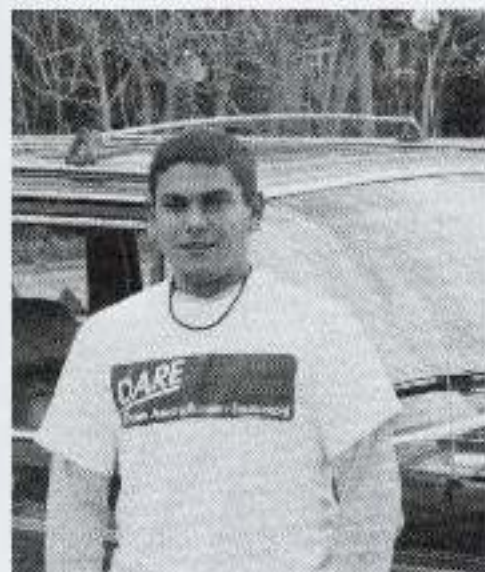
In the end, the newly licensed drivers felt that their new driving experiences helped them to become better drivers and appreciate everything about driving. Parents no longer received phone calls such as, "Can you pick me up from the mall?" Moreover, Betsy Clark loved being able to take a long drive to calm her emotions. On the other hand,

licensed drivers, such as Jenny Burrows, became chauffeurs for younger siblings! "I love that I don't have to rely on a parent or friend to drive me somewhere, but that means now people rely on me," explained Kate Ali, "Sometimes I feel like a taxi!"

—Bauerle Renn

"Sometimes I feel like a taxi."

—Kate Ali



New a part of the driving scene, Jenny Burrows is stylin' in her new Mustang. However, Jenny's happiness dampened when she became a chauffeur for younger siblings.



Ruth Macias
Devin Mackabee
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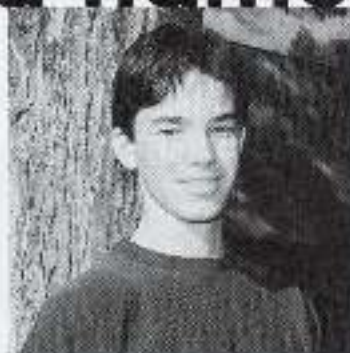
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Timothy Marlin
Alek Martinez

What exactly is a sophomore? Tomahawk asked tenth graders to describe themselves in one sentence. Here are their replies:

mi, a name, i call myself



"Fun loving, country girl."
—Melissa Mayfield



"I'm a Christian that lives his life in Jesus Christ."
—Matt Anderson



"I am creative, spontaneous, and boisterous."
—Rachelle Cornett



"I'm conspicuous because I could blow up like a bomb, baby."
—Jena Young

Christopher Martinez
Maria Martinez
Eric May
Melissa Mayfield
Shawnee Mc Carney
Bryan Mc Clure
Shanie Mc Clure



Ryan Mc Connell
Shannon Mc Dufough
Kristine Mc Dowell
Annie Mc Elwain
Geoffrey Mc Intosh
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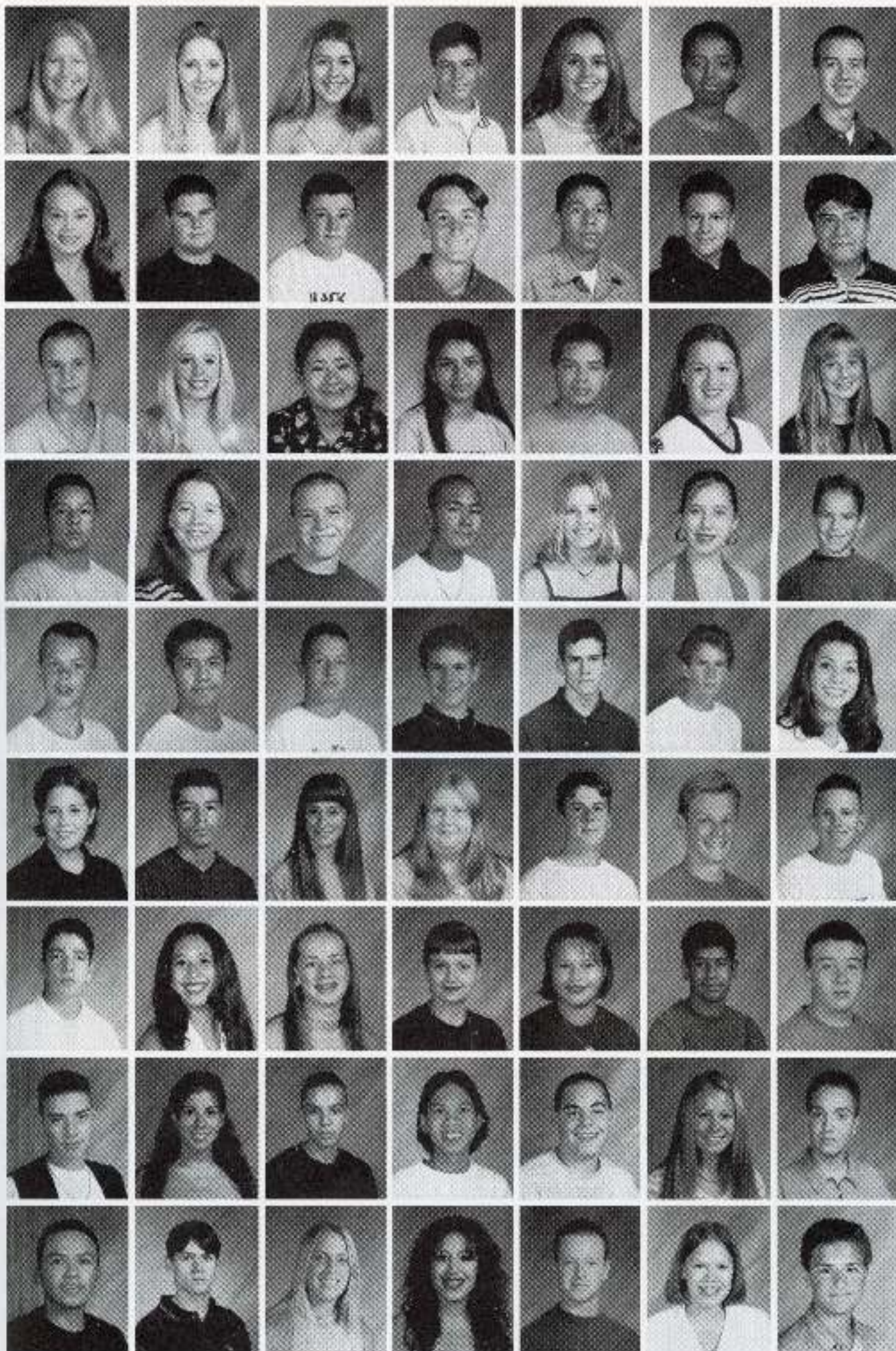


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Michelle Morris
Erin Moss
Michael Mourkos
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Glen Moyes





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Samuel Olmstead
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Yessenia Orellana
Shamishna Osman
Randy Osorio
Kyla Oviatt
Jessica Packer

Ever Palma
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Brandon Parr
Aray Pascua
Megan Patrick
Faith Patton
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Erica Ponce

Britney Potos
Manue Prado
Bryn Price
Kristina Price
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Eric Pritchett
Kevin Pritchett

Oclavio Provincia
Maureen Quicho
Tara Ragsdale
Mary Rakeslaw
Lorenza Ramirez
Shardul Ramolia
Taylor Rasmussen

David Reeder
Lauren Resier
Gilberto Reyes
Keith Reyes
Michael Richardi
Tracy Richardson
Daniel Rippling

Fernando Rivera
Shane Robinson
Stefanie Rockel
Jessica Rodriguez
Pete Rossler
Rhianna Roman
Daniel Rosenboom

kicking off your shoes

Ahhhhh! There was nothing like lying in bed, watching a flick, and drinking hot chocolate under the comfort of a quilt while rain pitter-pattered outside the window. As high school students, however, there was not an abundance of opportunities for most sophomores to have this stress-free time. With each new assignment came more anxiety, thus, less time to relax. Yet school was not the only stress factor. Cassie Gibbons declared that "boys were irritating when they led girls on, and later ignored them."

When they did have free time, many students took complete advantage of the situation. There were those who could be caught simply lounging around, taking walks, shopping, or "painting [because] there are no restrictions and it keeps my mind off things," commented Melissa Abreu. On the other hand, Cassie found peace in shopping. "I get all the money I can find. I buy CDs and go to the Gap...I spend my life in the Gap."

Why were students so stressed in the first place? To many, school was a major factor. After all, grades and sports all revolved around school. In addition, "the little things get me more mad. Like when you're in a little argument with a friend, and you know what [she] said is wrong," sighed Esther Kim. However, Tim Lovas said, "Studying [stresses me] because [I'm] trying to absorb so much knowledge that it fries [my] brain."

The majority of sophomores knew that eight hours of sleep was a sufficient amount to keep a person healthy and happy. However, many sophomores had a hard time catching enough zzz's. After school, many sophomores practiced with sports teams or rehearsed with bands into the evening. Then, when they arrived home, tons of homework awaited. Furthermore, as the *World Book Encyclopedia* said, "Rest and relaxation are as important as sleep after strenuous work or exercise. A person may need a period of total rest. Any activity that differs from the normal routine of work or study can be relaxing." Therefore, pleasurable and relaxing activities helped the body shed tension and remain robust. However, Danny Ripling explained, "I don't go to bed until too late because I'm doing homework. [I sleep from] 11:00 to 5:45."

Yet relaxing still allowed sophomores to enjoy the finer aspects of life—the no worry, no place to go, no people to see parts of life. Therefore, sophomores needed to kick back, take a deep breath, and...relax.

—Becca Gould



Jillian Rothschild
Lauren Rouleau
April Roundy
Christopher Ruckey
Ana Ruiz
Debbie Ruiz
Maria Ruiz



Renee Ruiz
Robert Russo
Michele Salas
David Samudio Jr.
Eliza Sanabria
Christina Sanchez
Isabella Sanchez



To keep from pulling her hair out during stressful times, Melissa Abreu found peace painting.

Boys are rotten made out of cotton! No matter, when boys got her down, Cassie Gibbons could be found shopping in the GAP. "I spend my life in the GAP," chuckled Cassie.



I scream; you scream; we all scream for ice cream! That's exactly what Esther Kim did when she was stressed out: she screamed for cookies 'n cream ice cream, and ate the delicacy right out of the carton.



Mayra Sanchez
Rosalinda Sanchez
Mary Ellen Sanders
Sabrina Sanders
Natasha Sandoval
Ricardo Sandoval
Andrea Satorhelyi

Robert Sawlsville
Mark Schaefer
Christian Schultz
Jennifer Schumacker
Ashley Schumow
Sean Seagrove
Megan Seidenglanz

Snehal Shah
 Megan Shannon
 Nicolette Shaw
 Robert Shephard
 Ruth Shertzman
 Dean Shields
 James Shields
 Erin Silic
 David Silva



John Sitar
 Garell Smallwood
 Tara Smallwood
 Alan Smith
 Candor Smith
 Jennifer Smith
 Eugene Song
 Jose Daniel Soto
 Tereasa Soto



Chris Stanman
 Ryan Stanman
 Robert Stern
 Taylor Stevens
 Christopher Stinson
 Brittany Stine
 James Stonecipher
 Jerel Suleeman
 David Sullivan



Sara Swalles
 Rohit Swami
 Andrew Tan
 Derek Tan
 Kristen Tankursley
 Alexander Tatar
 Christopher Taylor
 Mario Tejada
 Rebekah Tenney



Lisa Terranova
 Katherine Teske
 Gregory Thomas
 Richard Thomas
 Rory Thomas
 Nicole Tonell
 Andrew Tran
 Javier Trevizo
 Elizabeth Truberg



Dika Tuchman
 Laura Valencia
 Federico Valle
 Gregory Vandermade
 Robert Vargas
 Johana Vasquez
 Yvette Vega
 Scott Veis
 Jaclyn Venema



Robert Ventuleth
 Crysta Viramontes
 James Vogel
 Michelle Wade
 Kevin Walls
 Liam Waters
 Kasey Weber
 Michael Weinstein
 Mark Whalen



Rachael Wheeler
 Kristen Wiczorek
 Jessica Williams
 Scott Wilson
 Kristina Wisniewski
 Greg Wright
 Eddie Yanez
 Scott Yannich
 Ryan York



Jesa Young
 Alvaro Zamoran
 Jennifer Zelinski
 David Zeltser



daniel rosenboom

How long have you been playing the trumpet?

For about six years.

How much time does it take out of your daily life?

Between an hour and a half [to] two hours. That's for practicing at home. And if you include [school] and other places, probably about four hours.

What competitions have you participated in?

I've participated in the National Trumpet Competition, where I won third place in my division. And I've competed for a spot in the LA Philharmonic Honor High School Orchestra. I got in and was able to play with members of the LA Phil under the direction of their conductor,

Esa-Pekka Salonen. [There were] various other competitions, but those seem to be the most prominent ones off the top of my head.

How do you feel when you perform?

I get quite excited when I perform because it's something that I really love to do. I just really get enthralled with the moment and I really enjoy it a lot. It's really quite an exhilarating experience.

Where have you traveled for competitions?

Most of the competitions I've participated in have just been around the Los Angeles area. The National Trumpet Competition was held in Arlington, Virginia. And [I] did a performance in Washington D.C. [with my father, who played the piano with me]. I've gone to England and Switzerland [with the Santa Clarita Valley Youth Orchestra] and with the jazz band, I went to Reno.

What is your favorite type of music to play?

I have two different types. For one, I really like to play different types of jazz. My other favorite is major orchestra pieces that have really intense trumpet parts.

What is your inspiration?

I'd have to say, considering that my goal is to one day play in one of the major orchestras around America, my inspirations are some of the top quality trumpet players in the nation. I really enjoy listening to them. And my teacher, Roy Paper, is one of the most inspirational people in my life. Fortunately, he's considered probably one of the best trumpet teachers in America.

So, you are planning on a musical career?

I plan to go on to a performance major in music. I'm not sure exactly what college. [As mentioned earlier], I'd like to end up playing a seat in one of the major orchestras around America. My top three choices would probably be the Chicago Symphony, the New York Philharmonic, and the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

What do you think the most important characteristics of a great musician are?

I'd have to say dedication is number one because it really takes a lot [of time]. Practicing an hour and a half to two hours a day is nothing compared to a professional musician. Professionals practice so much that they are practically married to their instrument. It's true.

—as told to Kristine McDowell



"I'd like to end up playing a seat in one of the major orchestras around America."



Amidst the fall leaves, Daniel Rosenboom serenades the trees with his favorite piece, Alexander Arichanian's Concert for Trumpet.



trading places

To determine if guys could enjoy a stereotypical girl movie (the classic 80s chick flick *Sixteen Candles*) and if girls could enjoy a stereotypical guy video (the ever-bloody *Ultimate Fighting Championship*), Tomahawk asked guys and girls to watch these respective movies. Here's what happened:

Darren Capultos: What do you think of that Molly Ringwald chick?
 Shane Robinson: She's all right. I liked the girlfriend better though. I thought the sister, the chick [who] was getting married, was ugly.
 Darren: Would you rather have Molly Ringwald than her sister?
 Shane: I would! Personally, I would. I didn't like how her [sister's] mouth was. And her nose--it's stretching all over the place.
 Darren: What about the guy?
 Shane: What guy?
 Darren: The curly haired guy.
 Shane: I thought that guy was cool, that freshman guy.
 Darren: You gotta admire his effort [to get Molly Ringwald].
 If you could name one thing, what did you like best about the movie?
 Shane: The ending was happy.
 Darren: The chick gets the guy. She blows [out] her candles. That's it. You didn't think it was cheesy?
 Darren: She got what she deserved.
 Was it too much of a chick flick?
 Darren: Yeah, too much of a chick flick.
 Shane: The [freshman boy pursuing Molly Ringwald] was pretty annoying. I didn't like him.
 Did you guys think it was realistic?
 Shane: No. I don't think your parents would ever forget your birthday. I think at least one person would know.
 You wouldn't watch it for fun?
 Shane: No.
 Darren: If I had nothing else to do, I'd watch it.
 Is that the worst chick flick you've ever seen?
 Shane: I don't know. What are some other chick flicks?
 Well, *Sound of Music*, *Sense and Sensibility*, *Now and Then*...
 Shane: I think *Sense and Sensibility* would be better than that.
 You do?
 Shane: I don't know. I've never seen it, but it looks like it would be better.
 Darren: The main reason [I've watched *Sixteen Candles* before] was because of the humor, the foreign exchange student.
 What was funny about the foreign exchange student?
 Darren: He, uh...basically everything.
 Did you like the movie?
 Shane: It was all right. Kinda boring.
 Darren: I kinda liked it.

With expressions of shock and disgust, Michelle Durando and Kim Cannon (top) cringe as they watch a gory fight between two hulking wrestlers.

As the movie comes to an end, envy floods the face of Darren Capultos (upper middle) as the leading character Samantha drives off with Jake, the guy of her dreams.

Engrossed in the wrestling match, Michelle Durando (lower middle) watches as a 400 pound gorilla squashes Jerry, "the cute guy," against the side of the rink.

A humorous scene in *Sister Cities* brings a smile to Shane Robinson's (bottom) face.





Kim Gannon: [Giggling] He's not a fighter. He's a judge.
Katie McKeon: Do you know what stamina is? Because I do.
Michelle Durando: Isn't it when you can breath for a long time?
Katie: Wait, aren't they supposed to have gloves?
Michelle: No, you can fight any way you want.
The first match begins and the contender called 'Predator' knocks out his more hefty opponent with one blow to the chin.
Kim: Why is he just laying there?
Michelle: He's, like, dead! He just had a heart attack!
Katie: Can they get arrested if they murder someone?
Kim: That guy [the opponent who was knocked out] was really bad. He was planning on using his fat to defend himself, but it didn't work.
Michelle: Eeew! Look at that fat roll!
Kim: I think that fat guy knows that if you hit him in the stomach, he could just absorb the blow. But he couldn't absorb a blow to the chin because his head isn't fat enough.
Two new opponents are introduced for the next match. Profiles are given on each opponent and one is described as having heavy elbows.
Kim and Michelle: Heavy elbows?
Michelle: What's with his shorts? They look like spandex.
Kim: I think they do this sport just so they can wear spandex.
The third pair of fighters is introduced to the audience.
Katie: Wow, he looks a whole lot older than 26.
Kim: 6'8"! I think that's a mistake.
Michelle: [Sarcastically] Oh, I love that outfit!
Katie: Which one? The red one or the white one?
Michelle and Kim: Both!
Katie: They're already sweating! Why are they sweating?
Michelle: I don't know. It's probably hot in there, plus all that fat.
Kim: What's he doing? He [the taller fighter] looks like a flamingo or something with his leg like that.
Katie: Ow! That guy [the other fighter] keeps getting pinned against the wall, but he still keeps fighting like that!
The fourth match begins and the two fighters are introduced to the crowd.
Michelle: [Giggling] Who's that guy in the yellow cape?
Katie: His name's Jerry.
Kim: He's 21 and he's kinda cute.
Michelle: What's with his shorts? They look like a diaper.
Michelle, Katie, and Kim: Eeeeeew!
Fists fly and blood starts to ooze from the eye of one of the fighters.
Katie: Did the other guy bite him or something?
Michelle: No, the other guy's eye is bleeding. The big one's eye is bleeding and the blood got on the other guy's shoulder.
The two fighters attempt to pin each other to the floor and end up on top of each other.
Michelle: They look like siamese twins, you know, where they're like connected.
Kim: He gave him a wedgie.
The cute guy attempts to stand up, while his opponent pulls on his shorts.
Michelle: Oh my gosh! His wife is gonna be jealous!
Katie: Look, the other guy can't get up now!
—as told to Melissa Petros and Leona Kwon
As one of his favorite scenes begins, Darren (top) shows Shane his favorite character, the foreign exchange student.

While watching the unique wrestling techniques of the two men, the girls (middle) smile in amusement.

Dreaming of a more action-packed film, the boys (bottom) drift off during a slow part of the movie.

freshmen



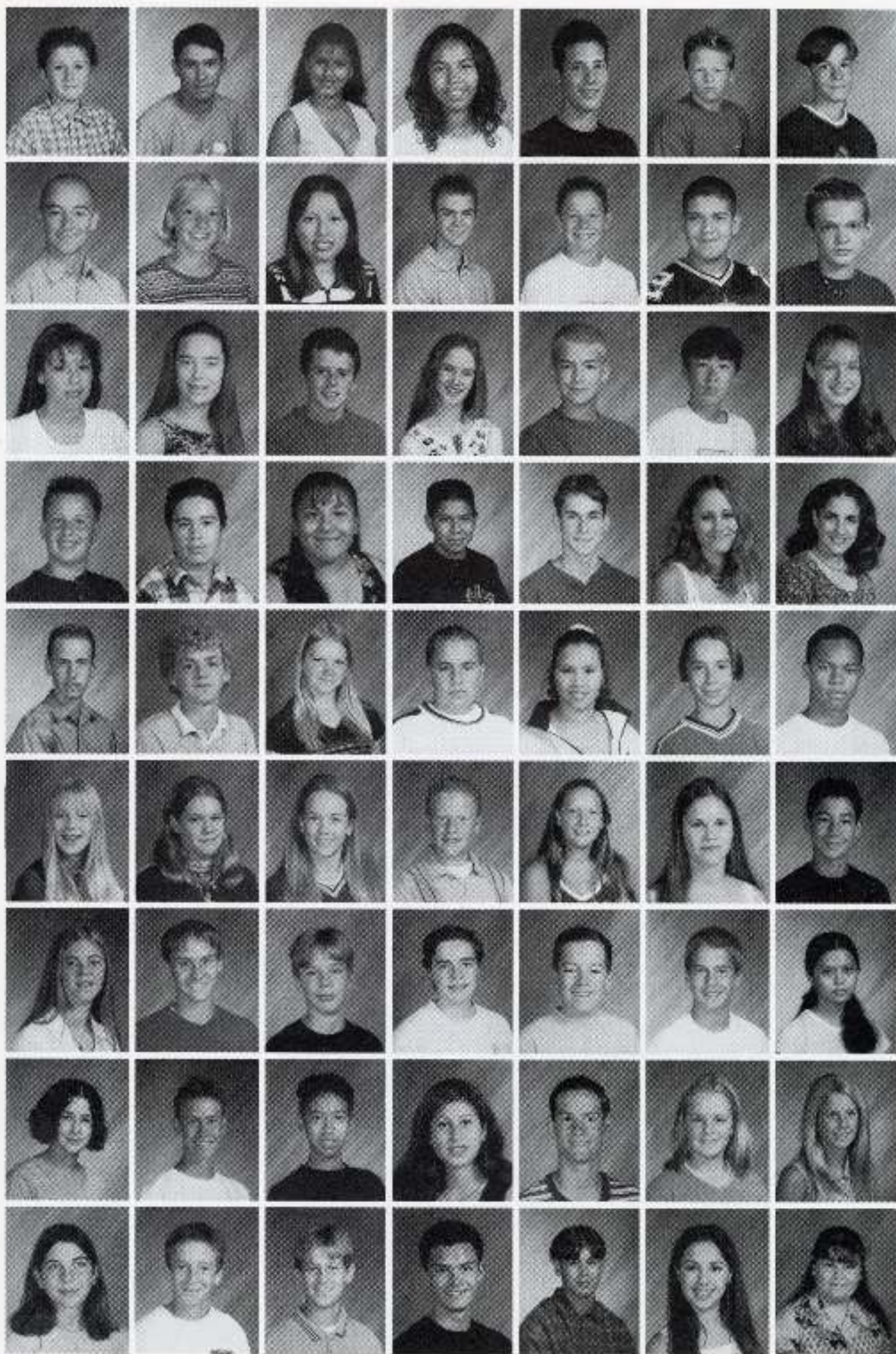
"I was so frightened on the first day of [high school]. I was scared of walking into the wrong class or getting lost. Four of my classes all had kids older than me and I was afraid of not fitting in. But, after a week or two, everything settled down and I was fine," Jennifer Tsakoumakis remarked. Before the freshmen first set foot on campus, many had certain expectations of what high school would be like. "I expected all the students to [look] extremely old. I [imagined] huge lockers and really tall seniors, stomping around us. When I came to get my locker, I found out they were teeny-weeny! And the students aren't all big and scary looking. Some of them are nice!" Vickie Yom exclaimed. Melody Mayer agreed, "I always expected [high school] to be just like 90210. I didn't expect roofless shelters during rainy days, six million people crowding the halls, and no Dr. Pepper."

As newcomers, many students complained of receiving less respect, feeling ignored by older students, and being unfamiliar with school tradition. In addition, students found that high school assignments required more time and labor. "Your weekends, that used to be free time, turn into study time," commented Nicole Stuka.

Furthermore, freshmen embarked on new high school experiences. "Being new is sort of fun because it gives you an opportunity to meet new and older people," commented Sarah Lind. At the same time, many students were grateful for the change in dress code. Gus Carvalho explained, "In my final year at Placerita, I was subjected to uniforms. The shorts didn't fit, the shirts fell apart, and the buttons came off. Over here, we can dress however we like." Having a dress code was not the only aspect freshmen liked, but also "having an exciting and educational time just adjusting to high school," Jonathon Armstrong concluded.

—Kristine McDowell and Renee Greiner





Drew Abejon
 Timothy Abramson
 Evan Abril
 Byron Aguiar
 Wendy Aguiar
 Christine Ali
 Evan Allen
 James Allison
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Isabel Alonzo
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 Evan Anderson
 Virginia Apfel
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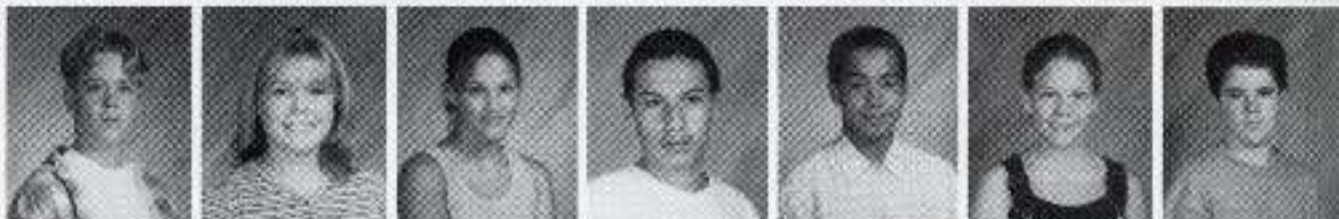
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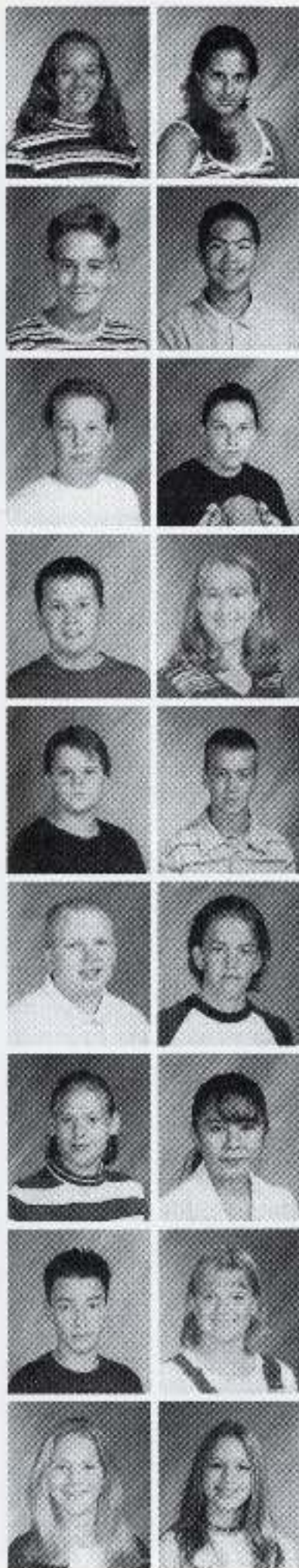
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 Abraham Espinal
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 Kelly Fairchild



howard harris



You say you make films. Could you tell me about this?
I have done about nine presentable videos, but I have twice that amount that hasn't been finished.

What does 'presentable videos' mean?
They're edited short films with titles that I wrote and directed.

Have you won anything from your videos?
I won Best Music for *Supernatural Justice* at the 1997 Clarita Awards. And for *Still Love* I won Best Picture and Animation.

When did you begin to direct and why?
I began to direct when I was old enough to use my video camera, which was five years old. I didn't have TV so I made my own videos for entertainment.

Whose work do you most admire?
Steven Spielberg. Alfred Hitchcock.

What does film-making mean to you?
I'm interested in this as a career, not because I'm caught up in the glamour of it but because it is hard work. It turns out better if you put more effort into it.

What do you hope to accomplish?
I want to be able to make exceptional films that impact emotions of viewers and keep food on my table. I don't care about money, but I have a love to make a difference and change people's opinions about life in general.

You also can perform magic?
Yeah, magic is part of my acting. I do birthday parties and weddings...I make a lot of extra money which is definitely worth embarrassing myself at little kid parties.

What is the biggest event you performed in?
At the International Jr. Optimists Convention in Kentucky. They flew me in to perform before thousands of people.

Do you ever get nervous performing before people?
I'm pretty comfortable in front of audiences. Sometimes people get intimidated because of my ease [with] public speaking. Sometimes I put on an act to be nervous.

How long have you been acting and what have you done?
I was in *Kids Songs* and in a *Sunny Delight* commercial and *Masters of the Maze*. I've been acting since I was 10.

What do you do in your free time?
I enjoy spending quality time with my friends and having cheesy get-togethers at my unique home.

Aren't you also in a band?
I was in a band in the valley that played Ska/Punk type music. I played the sax and keyboard and wrote some songs and did the vocals.

What is something else about yourself that is unique?
Hmm...well, I have my pilot license in Kentucky. My dad wanted me to continue the family tradition of piloting.

And hopes for the future?
My hope is to soon enter the Sundance Film Festival.

What are you most proud of?
I am most proud of my attitude toward life which is unconditionally positive!

—as told to Holly Nicol



"I'm interested in [film-making] as a career, not because I'm caught up in the glamour of it but because it is hard work."

"I thought of my speech on the way up the aisle," recalls filmmaker Howard Harris of the night he and his co-producer Josh Townsend won Best Picture and Animation at the 1997 Clarita Awards.



Want a babe? Noel, Jessie Boemper's pot-bellied pig, grins after eating a satisfying bowl of pig pellets.

With tender loving care, Cole Connors handles his friendly albino corn snake, Sunshine. Sunshine is one of Cole's five pet snakes.

To be or not to be a concert pianist? That is the question Allison Ray's pet iguana (below) ponders while resting on a piano.



it's a jungle out there

It was 3:00 in the afternoon. He just came home from a hard day at school. Luckily, Jessie Boemper's faithful pot-bellied pig waited happily to greet him at the door. Many animals from the "wild side of the animal kingdom," such as the pig, cheered up their owners during blue days. However, the pets needed something in return.

Instead of walking the dog or opening the can of cat food, the owners of exotic animals had slightly different rituals for their pets. Being fed only once every other week, Cole Connors' five snakes ate "little mice." On the other hand, Allison Ray's iguana required more work. "I have to give [my iguana] fresh vegetables, change the lights, and make sure it is hot enough for him every day," she explained. As a result of constant feeding, Anna Falzetta's tree frog became "really fat and [could] stick to the walls of the aquarium." However, even though feeding pets took time, Tyler Cannon enjoyed watching his oscar an exotic fish, gobble up live goldfish without any guilt.

Perhaps the lack of remorse was part of the oscar's personality. After all, freshmen claimed the personalities of

their pets ranged from "sort of mean" to "very lazy." Tawni Lara commented, "[My cockatiel Edward] reminds me of myself, because he is quick to get attitudes!" Moreover, Tawni also considered Edward her friend. "When I feel bad or I am grounded, I can complain to [Edward] because he can't argue back." Birds were not the only animals that had personality; pigs did too. Jessie Boemper's pot-bellied pig Noel had a "...personality of her own. She lives the way she wants and does whatever she wants." Because of the resemblance between pets and humans, many animals were considered part of the family.

However, due to the age of computers, Giga pets and Tamagotchis didn't fit in with the family, but really fit on the keychain. These "electronic" pets were very similar to "live" pets. Giga pets demanded feeding, changing, and playing from their freshman owners.

Overall, whether they owned "electronic" or "live" animals, most freshmen found some setbacks, but more paybacks, from their pets.

—Cheryl House and Billie Soo

Anna Falzetta
Kelly Faulkner
Tam Fawcett
Falon Feix
Menaka Fernando
Trevor Field
Gwendolyn Fine



Andrea Fink
Mary Fisk
La Rae Fithian
Sean Flaherty
Jacqueline Flesch
Jacob Flick
Olga Flores



Salome Flores
Ricardo Florido
Megan Florio
Eduardo Fonnegra
David Forslan
Brian Fortune
Faviana Francisco



Alejandro Freixas
Kandace Fuess
Stephanie Funderburg
Christopher Gagnon
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Justin Gapper
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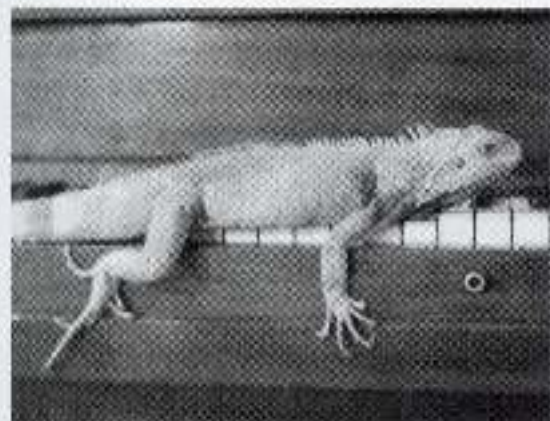
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Jorge Garcia
Sergio Garcia
Ryan Gardiner



Brandon Garon
Ricky Garrard
Bryce Garside
Kristin Gearing



William Giampolo
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Anna Glenn
Robyn Glezer



Gregory Glogow
Ryan Gonlich
Jessica Goldman
Araceli Gomez



Robert Gomez
Deysey Gonzalez
Erika Gonzalez
Ivan Gonzalez



Kelly Gonzalez
Manuel Gonzalez
Rosario Gonzalez
Yecenia Gonzalez
Yuliana Gonzalez
Stephanie Good
Arielle Greenberg



Leanne Greenfield
Andrea Gregory
Susan Griffith
Michelle Groisman
Sandra Guevara
Brandi Gunther
Naomi Haley



Thomas Hamilton
Paul Hanges
Michelle Hanson
Bradley Harris
Howard Harris
Marta Harris
Brandon Harbshome



Kelly Hauserman
Brian Hayes
Heather Haywood
Cara Hazard
Tristan Heberer
Joshua Hege
Fiona Henderson



To test the cooking skills of freshmen, Tomahawk randomly selected Shad Bledsoe, Caitlin Burkholder, Jaime Cotton, and Dylan Patterson. The staff set them up in a kitchen, gave them the ingredients, and watched them bake an apple pie--from scratch. Did they prove to be culinary wonders or baking disasters? Read on to find out:

an all-american classic



Dylan: Look at how organized we are. Jaime and I are making the filling. Caitlin's making the crust and Shad's beating the eggs.

Caitlin: Hey Shad, how much butter is in one cup?

Shad: I think one stick is a cup.

Jaime: You're not cutting the apple slices the same size!

Dylan: Do you like having big, soggy chunks of apple in your pie? All the best chefs are men. Look at the cooking channel.

Caitlin: That's not true! Shad, I can't get the food processor to work.

Shad tries to fix the food processor, but doesn't have much luck. Meanwhile, Caitlin mixes the apple slices with sugar and cinnamon.

Dylan: Here, let me fix [the processor] since the girls broke it! He looks at the food processor for a second. I know what's wrong, the butter's too hard. Let's put it in the microwawe.

Jaime and Caitlin: No!

Caitlin: The plastic container [of the food processor] will melt! Don't blame me if the microwave blows up! Dylan puts the softened butter and flour back into the food processor and finally gets it to work.

Dylan: Yeah! Look, I fixed it! From now on, the girls should leave the electronic stuff to us guys. He processes the flour and butter for a couple of minutes and then takes it out.

Shad: That doesn't look like coarse meal. It's not supposed to be all crumbly like that.

Dylan: [singing] 'All around the world coarse meal crumbles for me...'

Jaime: I'm going to wash dishes.

Caitlin flours the pastry board, while Dylan cleans up the spilled flour from the food processor with a copy of the recipe. He makes a big floury hand print on the back of Jaime's black sweatshirt.

Shad: [trying to pick something out of the dough] What's this?

Caitlin: It looks like an apple seed to me.

Shad tries to roll the dough, but it keeps getting stuck to the rolling pin. Caitlin splashes Dylan with water. Dylan throws a handful of dough at Caitlin.

Caitlin: Stop! She finishes rolling the dough and puts it into the bottom of the pie tin.

Dylan tries to flatten the lump of the dough by throwing it in the air like a pizza. Then he places the dough on the pastry board and pounds it with his fist.

Caitlin: Isn't that what a rolling pin is for?

Dylan: [trying to extract his flattened dough from the board] Guys, I need some help! Bring those knives and spatulas over.

Each with a spatula in hand, Caitlin, Shad, Jaime, and Dylan stand around the board and try to pry up the dough.

Dylan: OK, on the count of three we're all going to lift up the dough at the same time. One, two, THREE...

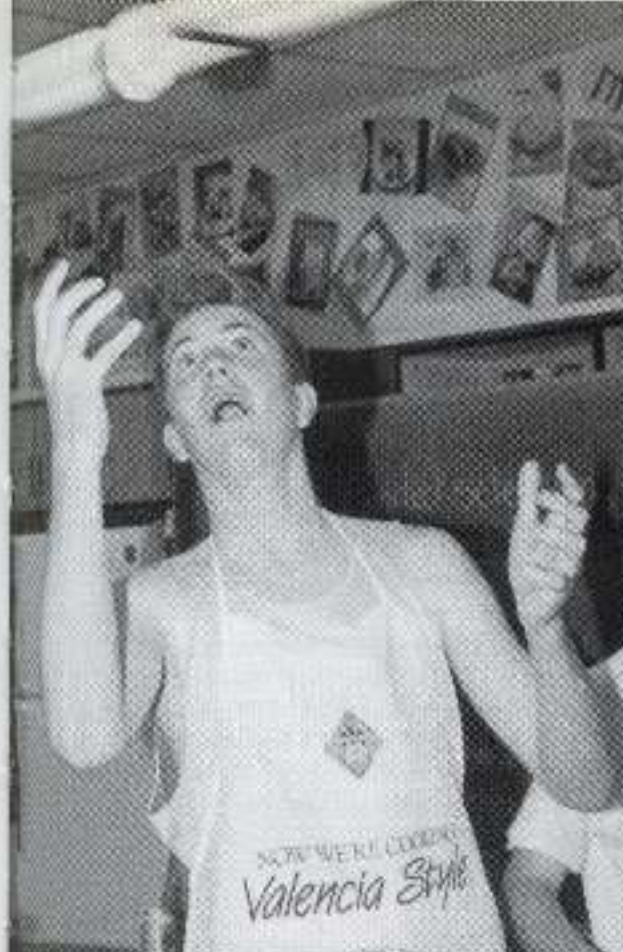
The foursome manages to free the dough and drop it on the pie already filled with the apples. Caitlin secures the top layer of dough, while Jaime prepares to brush the pie with egg wash.

Jaime: [spooning on the wash] This is so gross!

Shad and Dylan: We are going to eat this pie no matter what!

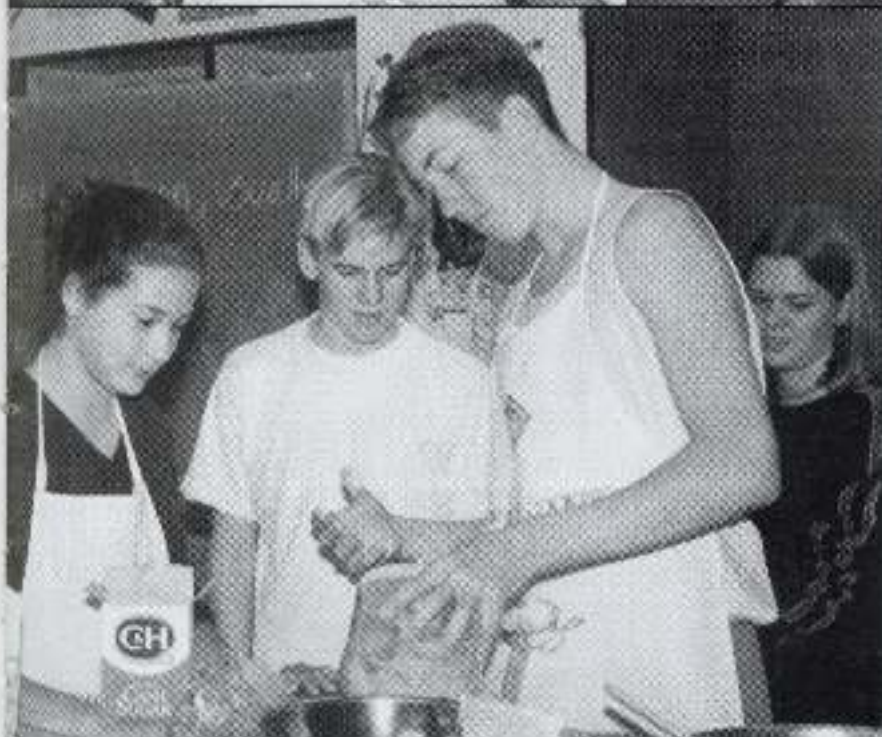
—as told to Melissa Petros





Even off the courts, Dylan Patterson practices his ball-handling skill with the dough.

Beaming with pride, Jaime Coston carefully removes the steaming apple pie from the oven.



Three brains are better than one as Caitlin Burkholder, Shad Bledsoe, and Dylan Patterson are well aware while they attempt to operate the food processor.

Ingredients

Crust:

- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 tsp. grated lemon zest (1 medium lemon)
- 1 cup salted butter
- 6-8 Tbsp. ice water

Filling:

- 6 large Granny Smith apples, peeled and thinly sliced
- 1 cup white sugar
- 1 tsp. ground cinnamon
- 1/4 cup corn starch
- 1/4 cup salted butter, chilled and cut into small pieces

Egg Wash:

- 1 large egg
- 1 Tbsp. white sugar

Yield: 8 slices

chef? boy are we!

Did you like the pie?

Caitlin: Yes. I liked the pie. The pie crust was the best part.

Jaime: No. There was way too much butter in it and it made me sick.

Would you consider being a chef in the future?

Shad: No. That's not exactly what I had in mind for the future.

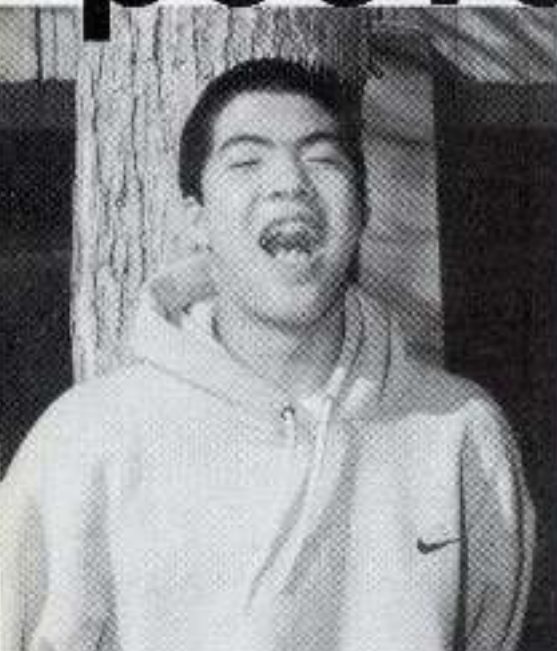
Dylan: No. I wouldn't want to stand over a hot stove all day.

What was your favorite part of making the pie?

Caitlin: Getting into a flour fight!

Shad: Telling people what to do and throwing dough against the cupboard.

peeve me



All freshmen had their personal pet peeves, ranging from paltry pests to titanic torments, from commonplace cases to fantastic phenomena. Some pet peeves even originated from the improper use of food. Julius Chen listed people "chewing with their mouths open" as a strong pet peeve, while Travis Jackson agreed on a different view. His dislike was "people eating with their fingers." Some other culinary pet peeves extended to the "gourmet masterpieces" from the cafeteria; Wendy Aguilar admitted, "I hate most of the school food."

Not all pet peeves come from other people's bad habits. Failing to live up to one's potential in activities, such as sports, also served as a pet peeve. "When I was trying out for [the] basketball team, I was not playing as well as I could and other people were playing much better. I get mad when people do better than me when we are playing basketball," explained Mike Patrick.

On the other hand, some pet peeves, including those that dealt with the problems of society, encompassed the world as a whole. "I dislike hunting," declared Naomi Haley, "My cousin went hunting in Africa and I saw a video of her killing zebras and other African animals. I believe hunting is cruel and inhumane. I don't understand how anyone can get pleasure from killing a living animal."

For some, going through the experience of sitting next to someone in class with music blasting out of a pair of earphones was definitely irritating. "I was annoyed [by a group of students blaring music] so much that I threw a paper wad at them," Scott Crabtree

Open wide! Despite his dislike for people who chew with their mouths open, Julius Chen is not afraid to open up.

Douglas Hanslee
Angelica Hernandez
Carlos Hernandez
Juana Hernandez
Travis Helman
Brandi Hicks
Laura Hock



Clifford Hoffman
Stacey Holbrook
Kyle Hollis
Kelly Horan
Tracy Hsu
Jesalca Hu
Veronica Huerta



Carie Hunt
Gary Hunt
Ana Infante
Virginia Infante
Amy Ingelido
Stefan Iwanick
Gladys Izarraraz



Travis Jackson
Tina Jazaeri
Mark Jefferies
Lorian Jenkins
Joshua Jenner
Ignacio Jimenez
Aaron Johnson



Yarnell Johnson
William Jolley
Kevin Jones
Nicholas Juarez
Leslie Judd
Cassandra Kaeding
Charles Kase



explained his pet peeve, "... Some people listen to loud music that I don't like in their Walkman or Discman."

However, Liliara Peña's pet peeve concerned the social aspect of her life. "One [thing] that I hate is when people talk about you or others and they do it in front of you and they make it obvious. Once this girl [who] doesn't like me was talking about me to some other girl and they stared and laughed [at me]. I just don't like that." Cliff Hoffman recalled an incident that annoyed him, "When people 'decorated' my locker, stepped on my uniform shoes, and when people put water balloons in my locker. One of my friends decided that my locker was boring so she decorated it with pink stickers and ribbons and put glitter and confetti all over [it]!"

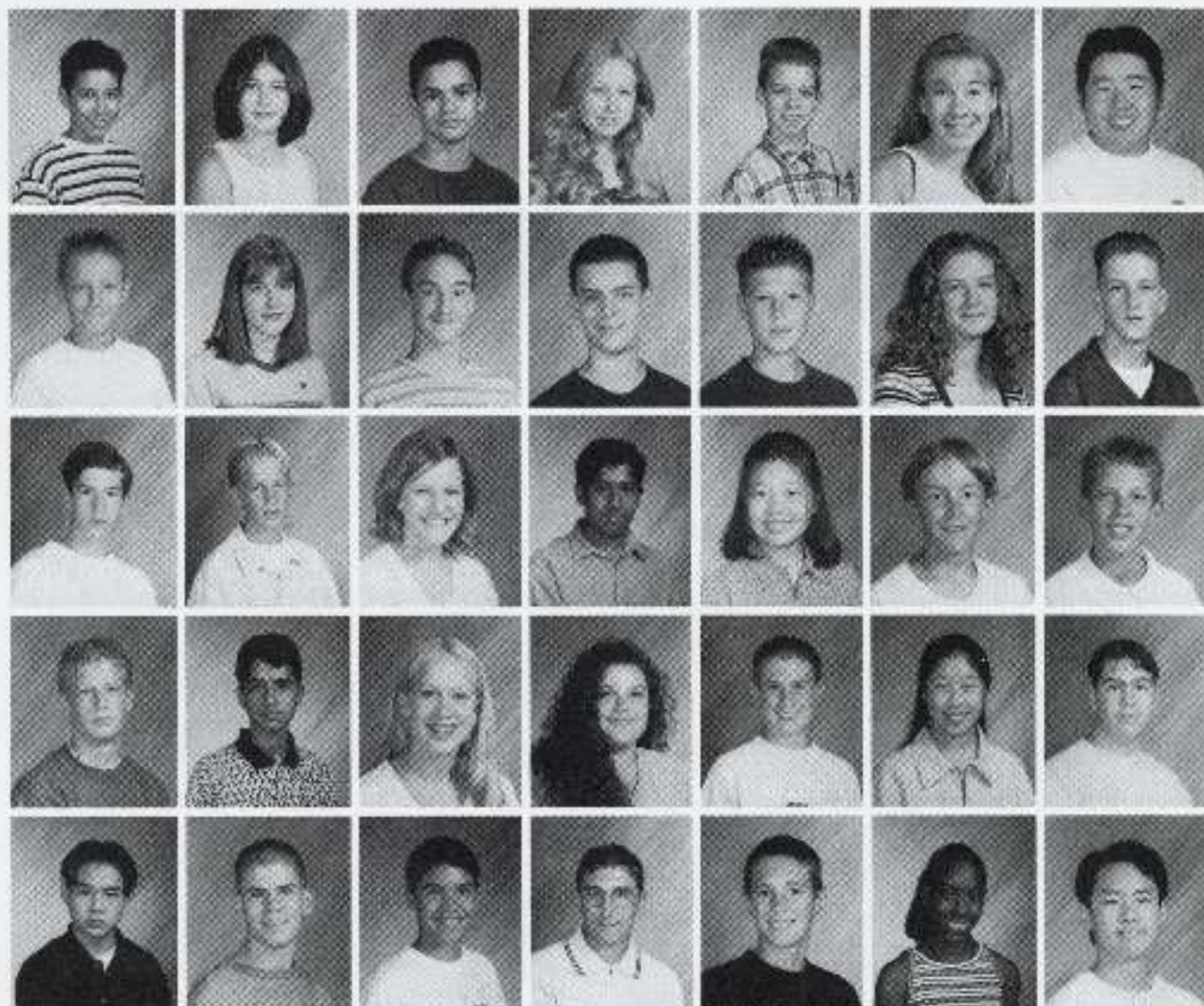
Chris White held his pet peeve, "people who have four pagers," because "one time I was walking down the street and saw some guy with a pager in every pocket of his pants!" This sight irked him as he pointed out, "If you have one pager, what would the other three be for?"

—Jen Jen Chen

"I get mad when people do better than me when we are playing basketball."
—Mike Patrick

"I hate most of the school food."
—Wendy Aguilar

Ready to battle against hunting adversaries, Liliara Peña expresses her disapproval of killing wild animals for sport.



Jonathan Keen
Erin Keshley
Michael Keshk
Jennifer Keyews
Aaron King
Lisa Kinsey
Matthew Kira

Jeffrey Kirschner
Courtney Knapp
Jesse Knight
Doran Koczera
Jason Kolacinski
Lindsey Kontra
Brandon Koontz

Todd Korody
Nicholas Koski
Katie Krantz
Thomas Kurien
Lucia Kwon
Scott Lacey
Edward Lechman

Richard Lafferty
Manoj Lal
Jamie Lamorey
Tawni Lara
Eric Lawson
Jennifer Lee
Matthew Lee

Raymond Lee
Erik Legler
Chad Lemus
Bryan Levine
Drew Lewandowski
Ebony Lewis
Jack Lin

somewhere over the rainbow



Gliding on the surface of Lake Havasu, Brandon Roben parasails during a family vacation.

Dreams of exotic places danced through his head as the student sat in class. Island getaways, snow covered mountains, and bustling cities—each one represented a way to escape from daily life.

For some freshmen, an escape from Santa Clarita Valley became possible on vacations, which ranged from snow-boarding in Big Bear for a weekend to month long tours of Europe over the summer. Katie Skipper traveled to "Africa. It was really fun because at times I would be less than 100 yards away from animals like elephants or lions. I like getting exposed to different cultures."

Students vacationed for a variety of reasons. Some wanted to relax, while others wanted the chance to experience a new adventure. On vacation, Kristen Riley liked to "shop, visit different sites, meet new people, relax—everything."

Friends and family also played a part in determining vacations. Brandon Roben explained, "My trip back to Ohio where I got to see all my relatives, see all the snow, and play in it [was my favorite]." School events also enabled students to travel—band, cheerleading, cross country, and other activities gave freshmen the chance to explore new places.

No matter where a student traveled, every trip came to an end. Students returned home from traveling more aware of life outside the valley. Colin Warling thought, "I feel disappointed that I'm not still there [on vacation], but happy I'm home to get back to my hobbies."

—Amy Bagley

With the picturesque Swiss Alps as a backdrop, Katie Skipper enjoys the crisp mountain air after a brisk hike.

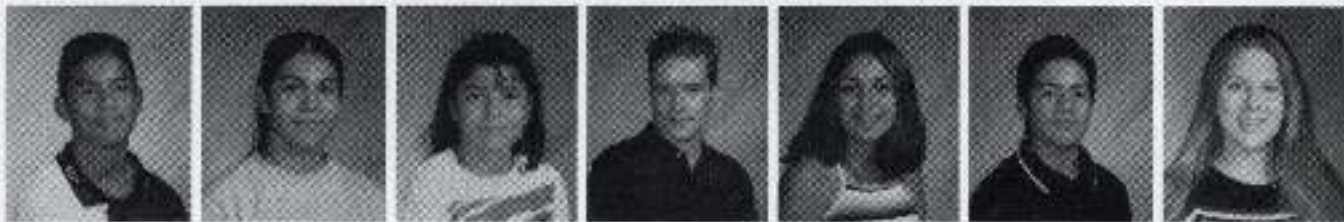


Taking a step back into the past, Colin Warling teeters off the edge of an anti-aircraft gun at the historic Pearl Harbor in Hawaii.

Brett Lincoln
Sarah Lind
Kyle Lindgren
Desirae Lindley
Marie Lionetti
Michael Lombardo
Renata Lombardo



Benny Lopez
Vanessa Lopez
Jenny Luzada
Adam Lucen
Kristin Lueke
Mauricio Luengas
Marsha Mac Kenzie



Anna Mac Murdo
Maria Macias
Nancy Magana
Merissa Magnuson
Dildeep Mangat
Amanda Mansfield
Davy Marcelo



Shanna Maretsky
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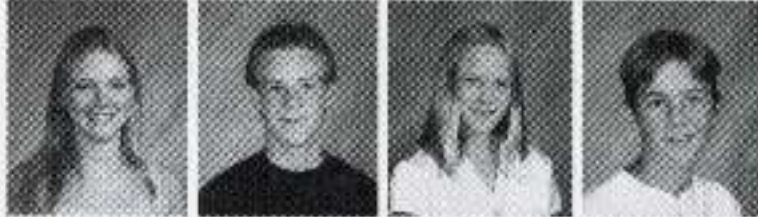




Noe Marlinez
Rodolfo Martinez
Valentins Martinez
Scott Mast



Patricia Mathewson
Kyle Matter
Michelle Mayer
Bradley Mc Burney



Jessica Mc Donald
Thomas Mc Donald
Sarah Mc Intosh
Ryan Mc Kell



Ryan Mc Phail
Brittani Meck
Abel Medrano
Acel Medrano



Dustin Meisner
Devon Meister
Juan Mejia
Jeremy Mendelzon



Chase Mendenhall
Jodie Mendelson
Anabel Mendez
Alexander Mendoza
Ana Mendoza
Lorenzo Mendoza
Sergio Mendoza



Holy Mennell
Laurence Mercado
Richard Meyers
Rosendo Michel
Christina Mikhail
Kari Miller
Liane Miller



Michael Miller
Aisa Mitchell
Mayra Montes
Rebecca Moos
Joan Morrissey
Theresa Moses
William Munoz



Jenny Munroe
Daniel Murillo
Tanya Muschenheim
Emily Mussard
Charell Nance
Alvaro Navarro
Tiffany Neilson

i wanna be like mike

"She-ra [is my role model] because she is the most powerful woman," exclaimed Jessica McDonald, "not to mention she gets hot studs like He-man!" Freshmen had many role models. Mike Lombardo admired, "Tom Robinson in *To Kill a Mockingbird*," while Pravin Date looked up to Michael Jordan. Pravin elaborated, "He's practiced for hours and hours...and all that hard work has paid off."

Sports, literature, and action movies were all sources of heroes for freshmen--so was family. Ashley Crowe believed her mother was "not only [her] mom, [but also her] best friend." Ashley confided in her mom with important issues such as friends and school. Patrick Takla commented that he admired "...someone who saved a person's life or helped a lot of people in some way."

Importance of role models also clicked in freshmen's minds. "I think it's important to have someone to look up to and possibly model your life after," Michelle Hansen expressed, "it helps to keep standards." In addition, Michelle admired senior Emily Neeley. "She's fun to talk to, fun to be around, always ready to help out, and an

all around good person."

However, Brandon Roben thought shaping his life to his role model was "...okay to do, but you have to use your moral instinct to tell if that role model is doing a thing you would like to commit your life to doing." Some freshmen even disagreed about the importance of role models. Fiona Henderson defined a role model as "...a positive thing," that, at the same time, denied individualism. She explained, "I am my own person and I don't feel I should base my lifestyle on the way others act."

In general, most freshmen approved of having a particular person to look up to. Some students even patterned themselves after their role models. "I have dressed like [my role model] or tried to act like [him] a little bit," Chris Ross remarked.

For the most part, freshmen and role models went hand in hand during the confusing times of the first year of high school. Heather Haywood concluded, "I know that if I didn't have a role model, I probably would not have [any] goals to work for."

—Megan Fotheringham and Lesley Scribner

**"If I didn't have a role model, I probably would not have [any] goals to work for."
—Heather Haywood**

Jeffrey Nelson
Erica Newitt
Kurtis Newman
Scott Newman
Hiyari Nguyen
Gregory Nogle
Megan Nolan



Jake Norton
Ashlye O'Hara
Amanda Olea
Nicole Olesh
Jamie Orlich
Christina Orozco
Jose Ortiz



Edgardo Osoros
Jeffrey Oyama
Arianna Perks
Jo Dee Parmann
Kira Patel
Michael Patrick
Dylan Patterson



Calling her mom her best friend, Ashtley Crowe gazes adoringly at her.



Glowing with admiration for her idol Emily Nozley, Michelle Hansen looks up to her respectfully.



Alessandra Pavoni
David Peck
Lillana Pena
Michael Pepe



Christa Peralta
Arelly Perez
Mark Petersen
Kristin Petiford



Brian Petrillo
James Peyton
Silas Phillips
Whitney Phillips



Casey Pickard
Mauricio Popoca
Eric Posthumus
Jennifer Potter



Noan Pratt
Jenny Preheim
Meaghan Price
Daniel Prutting



Gemma Pucci
Richard Puido
Kylie Quintana
Katelin Racz



Jason Refanan
Brian Ramirez
Celina Ramirez
Erica Ramirez
Guillermo Ramirez
Yurdia Ramirez
Israel Ramirez



Swati Rao
Barbara Reardon
Scott Reardon
Robin Remigio
Robert Reyes
Rosanna Marie Reyes
Ryan Ribnick



Lindsay Rice
Ryan Rich
Jennifer Rifold
Kristen Riley
Erica Rios
Joanna Rivera
Amber Rivetti

Colynn Bloch and Brandi Edwards (below) hesitate before blindly munching on the unknown. These helpless victims willingly offered their opinions of LFO's (unidentified food objects).

Anything for free food! Lorraine Briones and Ryan Bell (far below) let their taste buds do the deciding as they scarf down two different brands of cookies.

Tomahawk blindfolded seven freshmen and subjected their mouths to strange foods. No, Tomahawk didn't kidnap them for fun, but gave them a taste test. Unable to see anything, freshmen giggled and whimpered as they scarfed down unknown products. This was what happened:

Sour Cream 'n Onion: Ritz Air Crisps (A) vs. Granny Goose (B)

Colynn Bloch: I feel like a nerd because my eyes are shut and I don't know what I'll look like when I'm eating, like if there's stuff in my teeth. Hold on. Are we eating anything that will stain on a white sweater? I've got gum. Where

should I spit it out? Where's the napkin? [feeling for napkin] I don't want to taste it. What if it's gross? [pops product A in mouth] It tastes kinda funny.

Brandi Edwards: And weird.

Colynn: These [product B] are better.

Brandi: Yeah, I wasn't sure if it was going to be something gross like from another country.

Result: Granny Goose beat Ritz Air Crisps.

Fig Newtons: Fat free (A) vs. Regular (B)

Ryan Bell: [feeling around table] I don't trust who's giving this test. I don't want to eat sushi or something. This [product A] tastes squishy. Is it a fruit bar?

Lorraine Briones: Is it raspberry [flavored]?

Ryan: [smelling product B] Aha! It's a fig newton!

Lorraine: [after test] I didn't even notice the difference between fat free and regular. It's kinda funny that I like fat free better.

Result: Fat Free beat Regular.

taste test



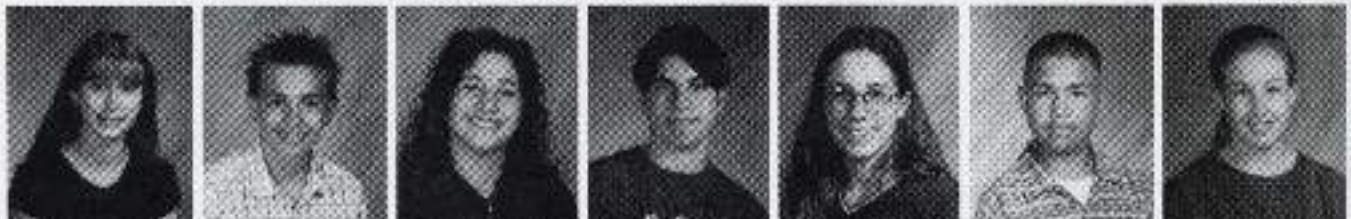
With an array of goodies to choose from, freshmen encounter a junk food paradise. They had the opportunity to try the same products of different brands.



Brandon Roben
Ludibina Rogel
Abelardo Roman
David Romeka
Jessica Romero
Monica Rosas
Darcy Rosebrock

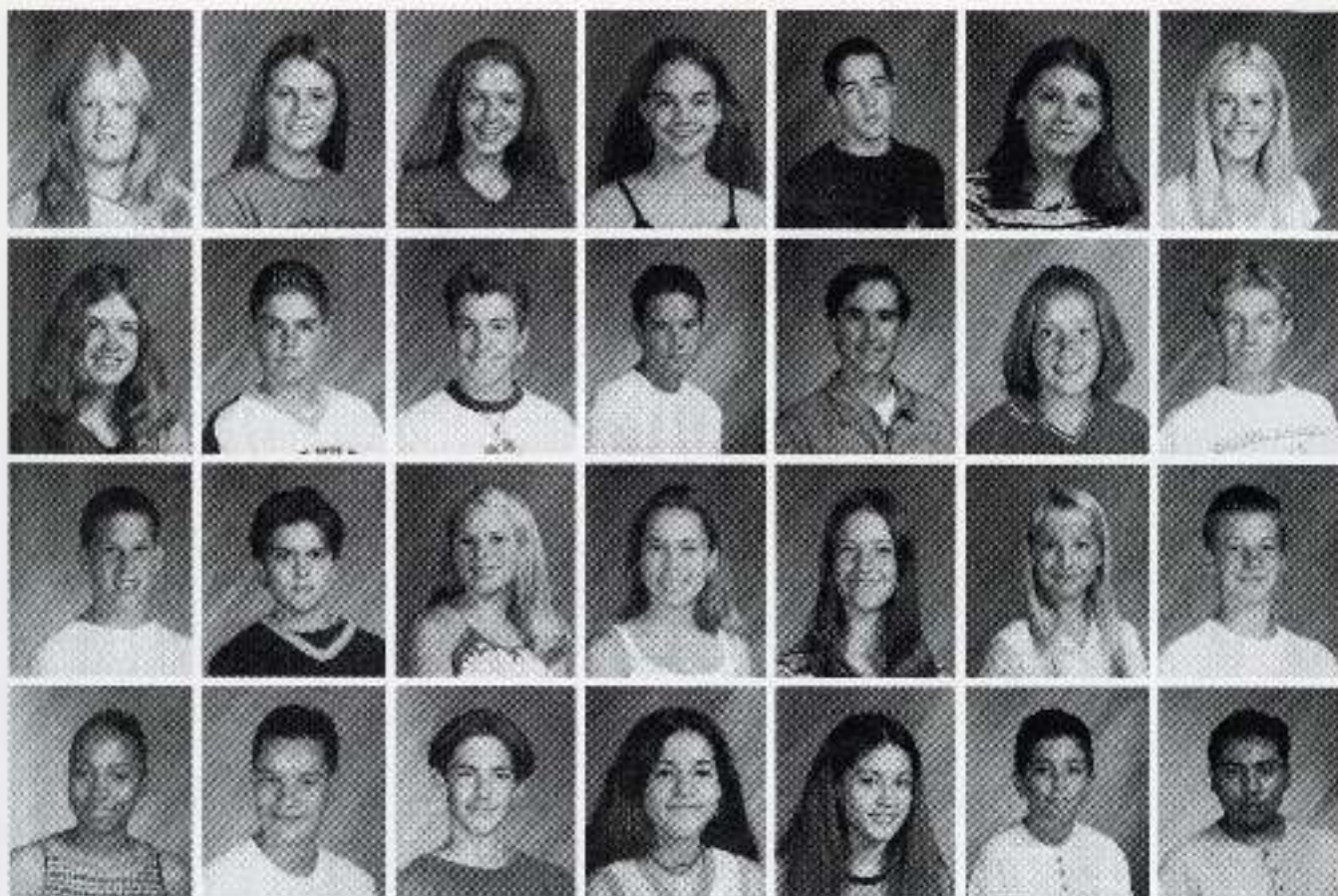


Tracy Rosecrans
Christopher Ross
Dawn Roth
Scott Roth
Natalie Rubin
Eduardo Ruiz
Kelly Rutan



Logan Rutan
Nicole Salazar
Judith Sanchez
Miguel Sanchez
Carmen Sanders
Diana Sanguinetti
Stephanie Sauer





Brynn Schierle
Courtney Schierle
Jessica Schierle
Katrina Schiller
Gregory Schilling
Danielle Schmidt
Erica Schoenbaum

Kristen Schwarz
Shaun Seidenglanz
Kyle Sellers
Cameron Serra
Kyle Shannon
Noble Sherman
Brandon Siddall

Michael Silberman
Patrick Simons
Erin Simpson
Lori Simpson
Katherine Skipper
Allison Smith
Andrew Smith

Natasha Smith
Ryan Smith
Vincent Sola
Carla Soler
Paola Soler
Gerry Solorio
Joelvany Solerio

Chocolate Chip Cookies: Chips Ahoy Bite Size (A) vs. Chips Ahoy (B)
 Nick Juarez: [sniffing] My blindfold smells like smoke. Man, this smells. Why do we have to wear pink blindfolds? It's so girly. [eating product A] That is the worst cookie I've ever had. It tasted like cereal at first and then some cheap Oreo.
 Thomas Kurian: No, it tasted like a cookie from the beginning.
 Nick: Maybe like one of those brownie cookies.
 Thomas: Or those store-brand cookies.
 Nick: [given product B] Mmm...scrumptious. That tasted like Chips Ahoy. This tastes better than A because it was bigger. Bigger's always better.
 Thomas: I like this because it was more chocolatey than the other ones.
 Result: Chips Ahoy beat Chips Ahoy Bite Size.

Lemon-lime Soda: 7Up (A) vs. President Select (B)
 Thomas: Can we take these blindfolds off now?
 Nick: Be patient. I wanna do like ten of these things. [given product A] Eew! I don't want to drink the rest of that.
 Thomas: Actually, it tasted pretty good.
 Nick: I don't like that Sprite kinda stuff. [given product B] I definitely like this one better because it was more smooth and easier to drink. It was better all around.
 Thomas: I like A better because of the carbonation.
 Result: Tie

Candy Bars: Baby Ruth (A) vs. Snickers (B)
 Stefan Iwanicki: Hmm...it [product A] had a bit of caramel, nuts...I think it was a Baby Ruth bar.
 Ryan: I love caramel! [given product B] That was good! It's a toss up between A and B. I can't make up my mind. Can I have one again? Ok, I like B best.
 Stefan: I like B better because A had too much caramel and I couldn't chew it very well.
 Result: Snickers beat Baby Ruth.

—as told to Tiffany Martinez



Eager to remove their "girly" blindfolds, Thomas Kurian and Nick Juarez impatiently anticipate tasty morsels of delicious Chips Ahoy chocolate chip cookies.



Where's my mouth? In an effort to voice their preferences, Stefan Iwanicki and Ryan Bell blindly feed themselves.

Dennis Solorzano
 Ryan Soto
 Seneev Sordhstra
 Na Ree Song
 Alex Soto
 Oscar Soto
 Paul Stanfield
 Brett Stone-Gross
 Terrence Stromas



Brandon Stuart
 Christopher Stuckey
 Nicole Stuka
 Leah Sulett
 William Susdorf
 Skyler Sutton
 Patrick Takla
 William Talbott
 Brenna Talkin



Julie Tankursky
 Kimberly Tawney
 Charlotte Taylor
 Carlos Teran
 Alex Themistokleous
 Chelsea Thomas
 Natalie Thomas
 Samantha Thompson
 Philip Tognetti



Andrew Tuninaga
 Veronica Torres
 Brandon Trevino
 Juan Trujillo
 Jennifer Tsakounakis
 Janet Valdes
 Ida Valipour
 Becky Van Sickle
 Vance Vandermeay



Joshua Vanek
 Andrea Vargas
 Elizabeth Vargas
 Jerry Vasquez
 Naomi Vasquez
 Francisco Vela
 Derek Veldkamp
 Oscar Vidal
 Kyle Vlain



Brian Walker
 Ellis Walker
 Gregory Walsh
 Melanie Ware
 Colin Waring
 Dacia Water
 Gary Wells
 Jeffrey Whitcomb
 Christopher White



Emily White
 Scott Whites de
 Sophia Whitmore
 Jana Willardson
 Katherine Willett
 Jason Williams
 Sarah Williams
 Michael Wills
 Rachel Wilson



Sarah Wilson
 Nyelin Win
 Anthony Winegar
 Suzanne Wingot
 Michelle Winston
 Jeffrey Wolin
 Cynthia Worthing
 Dana Winkle
 Nicholas Yancey



Victoria Yom
 Christopher Yoran
 Lilia Zamora
 Oscar Zendejas
 Matthew Zindroski





christa peralta

Christa, what exactly did you win?

I won Miss Congeniality and third place for the Miss Teen Santa Clarita pageant.

How did you feel when you won?

I was really excited, cause, I don't know, I just wanted to make a difference. It was kinda exciting cause I didn't enter expecting anything. I just went to have fun and meet new people.

What preparations did you have to make before entering the contest?

I had to do community service, and I had to write a speech, and I had to prepare myself mentally cause when you're up on stage alone, the pop question and everything...It's really scary.

Do people expect more from you now that you won Miss Congeniality?

The people who know, I think they do. I think it's kinda like people, like my friends, look up to me or expect me to be congenial all the time.

What other things come along with being Miss Congeniality?

Umm...I don't have pressure, but it's more like an obligation to set a good example all the time. Like starting new things.

What did the judges like in you?

I think they liked my interview the best cause I got first place [in that category]. I don't know, I guess I just tried to be myself and they just liked my answers.

What kind of questions did they ask in the interview? What were your answers?

They asked me who my hero was, and if I was getting paid ten million dollars, would I pull the wings off a butterfly, and weird questions like that. Well, my hero was my grandpa cause, I don't know, he's just different. And I said I would pull the wings off a butterfly for 10 million dollars because then I would just buy more butterflies or something.

Why do you think you won?

The third place, I don't know why I won. But the congeniality I guess I was really nice to everyone cause it was picked by half the judges and half the girls.

Are there any disadvantages in being Miss Congeniality?

Disadvantages? There's a lot of responsibility, but other than that, I don't think there are.

Do you enjoy being Miss Congeniality? Would you do it again?

Yeah, I enjoy it! So far I've liked it a lot and if I were to do it again, I would. I met really cool people and it was a lot of fun.

Why did you go after Miss Teen Santa Clarita Congeniality?

There was no reason in particular, but it was mainly the pressure from my mom. I guess I went to meet new people from other schools cause all my friends are based in one place.

"I guess I just tried to be myself and they just liked my answers."

How do you think it changed you?
Honestly, I think it made me more open-minded. Just through, in a lot of ways, the things we've done so far. We raised money, and tried to create a teen prevention of suicide in the valley. It just made me feel more of a part of the community.

—as told to Candice Park



After she's crowned Miss Congeniality, Christa Peralta celebrates with her proud father.

choose to work twenty hour

weeks choose to blow your

allowance on sundries

choose to support local

businesses choose to enjoy

life and eat out more often

ads and



index

The community was made up of the surrounding **enterprises**, partnerships, and families.

Parents attended Back-to-School Night, supported sporting events, and helped out at school beautification days.

Establishments bought ads in the football program,

put up posters of school events in their stores, and hired **students** to work.

Interactions with companies merged with school life.

Students dined on **Hamburger Hill**,

shopped for clothes at the **mall**, and worked at **Magic Mountain**.

Staff members attended restaurant nights, pushed students to volunteer, and bought groceries at local supermarkets.

Together, the school and community grew.

--Amy Bagley

Jenn,

You have been a wonderful daughter and one of God's greatest gifts to us. You have filled our lives with such joy and made us so proud of the beautiful young lady you have become. Follow your dreams, Jenn, and remember only you can make them happen.

We are here for you always.

Love, Dad, Mom, Christa, Michael & Gabriel



Congratulations
Matt!

Go for it!
We love you,
Dad, Mom, and
Kristin

CONGRATULATIONS KATIE!

In all the world,
DAUGHTER,
there is only one "you"--
one unique person with your own
special qualities...
May you always follow your heart
and trust your abilities...
knowing that those who love and
believe in you find so much joy in
the wonderful person you are.
Love, Mom, Dad, Rob & Kristin



Rebecca,

From the moment you came into our lives, you brought sunshine and joy. You have touched our hearts and the hearts of many with your radiant smile, your expressive eyes, and your thoughtful caring ways. You have "reached" and surpassed many difficult hurdles to become such a champion. We are so proud of you!!! May you

be strong along the paths to
your dreams and goals.
And, may God smile down
upon you along the way.

All our love,

Mom, Dad, Elizabeth, and David





Congratulations David,
 You have made us proud of who
 you have grown up to be. The
 special person you are today is
 from all your hard work,
 dedication, and determination
 from the past to the present...
 You have the strength, drive, and
 willpower to make all your visions
 and dreams come true in the
 future. We love you.
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, and Diana



Colleen,
 Congratulations,

Love as Always,
 Mom, Dad, Ian,
 Anne, Jessica,
 Stephanie & Shawna



My Dear Amanda,
 Like a sunflower in the Spring, your life
 is beginning to unfold. May the future
 be full of laughter, love, and adventure.
 You are and will continue to be, my
 greatest of gifts. Congratulations!
 I love you with all of my heart & soul,
 Mom and Evan

Congratulations Jeff! We're
 so proud of you; you've
 become quite a man. We
 know you will succeed in
 whatever you do, so go for
 it--follow "your" dreams.
 We love you and we'll
 always be there for you.
 Mom & Dad & Jill





Bo--
Keep living
life on the
"EDGE."
Love, Mom
and Dad

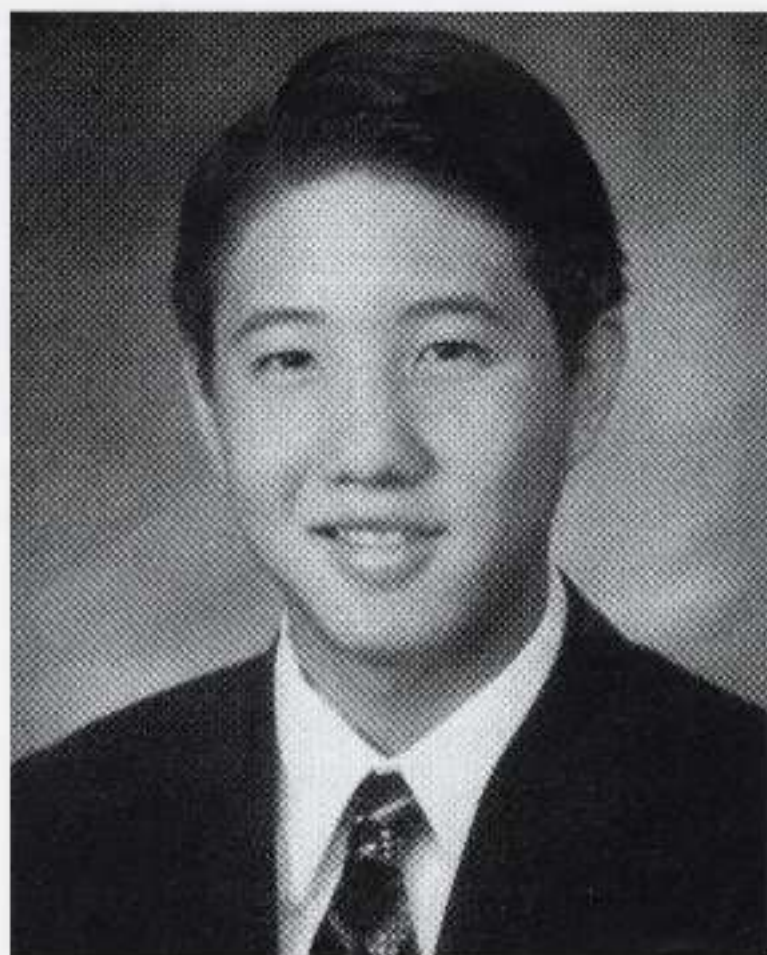
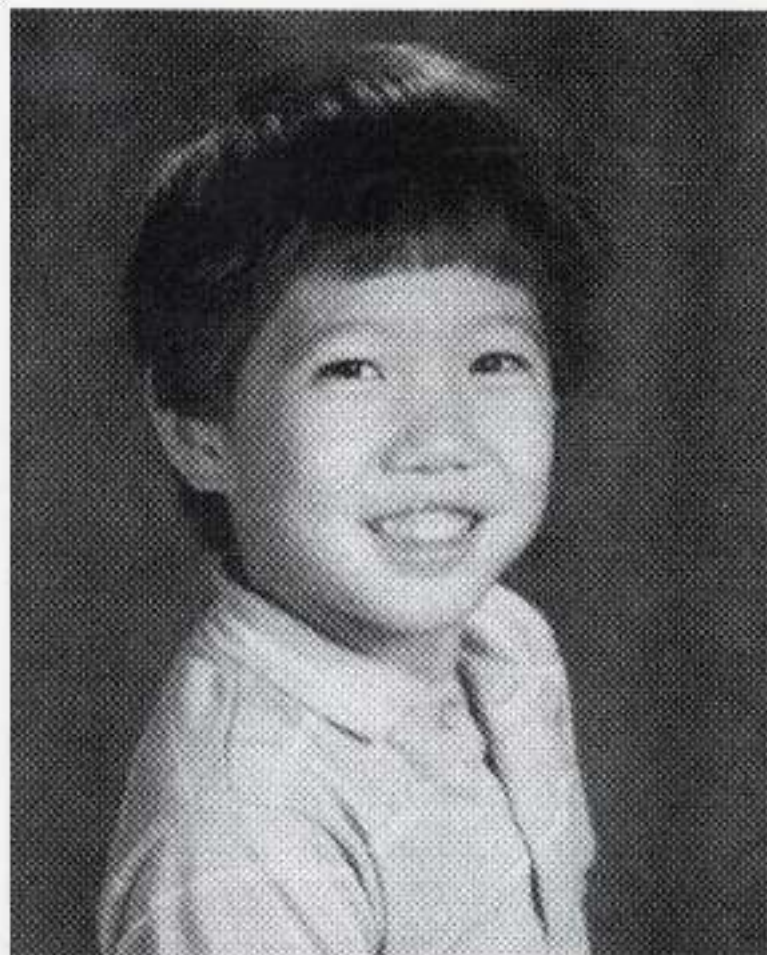
Bo,
You
may be
taller, but
I can
still
bounce
you on
your
head--
Love
you!
Your
"older"
bro,
Zach



Congratulations, Jacob!
Leadership, Integrity, Sensitivity!
We're proud of you, not only for
Your achievements, but also for
Being a mensch!
Wishing you much success at Princeton!

Love,
Mom,
Dad,
Judy,
Susan,
Bubbie,
and
Zadie





To our dearest Derek,
Congratulations on your high school graduation. In the first 17 short years of your life, you have distinguished yourself beyond our imagination. Thank you for making us proud.

Now that you have graduated from high school, you have learned to learn. College is where you learn to prepare for life. As much as we are confident that you will have successes in life, we are equally certain that you will encounter what you may perceive to be failures. While we may have much to say about the facade of successes and failures, we wish to etch indelibly in your mind that you can always count on us, and on our love, whether you win, lose, or draw. In selecting your course of life, follow your dream, for there are gold mines in every field. What you get out of life is a direct function of what you put into it. Work hard, be confident, and trust that everything will turn out the way it should. Whatever course you take, do not lose sight of the one and only real objective--to find happiness.

With all our love,
Mom and Daddy



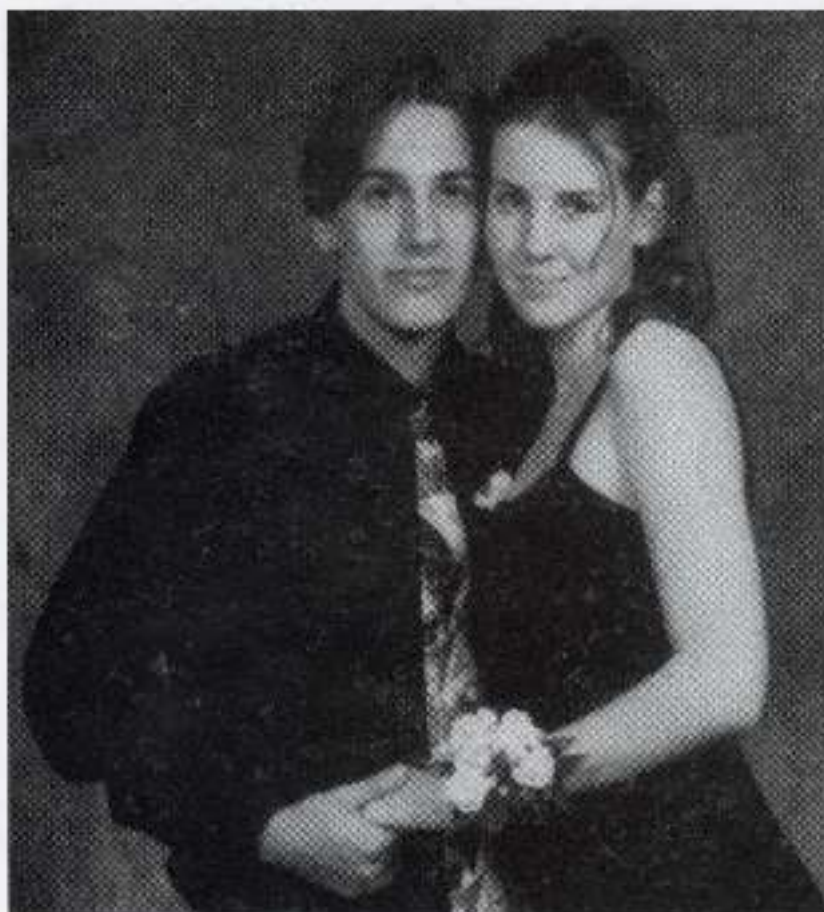
Heather,
Congratulations on your graduation.
We love you and are very proud of your
hard work and achievements.
Love, Mom and Dad

Some come into our lives and
quickly go. Others stay awhile,
leave footprints in our hearts, and
we are never ever the same...



I love you, Turkey!

The past couple
of years with
you were great.
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hard, and you can
fly the limit!



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Brandon, when you came to us we had so many dreams of you--thanks for making them all come true. Congratulations in your accomplishments. We are so proud of you.

Love Always,
Mom & Dad

Congratulations, Tamara!

You presented us with "Ladies and Gentlemen" years ago. Today you present us with your great success by way of magic with your Enthusiasm.

Take a bow!

We Love you. Mom & Dad, Tracey, and Jaclyn



Teeter Bows, We thought we could hold you in our arms to love, protect, and guide you forever, never imagining the joy you would bring into our lives. We are glad there is no end in forever. For it is a journey.

You were quick to show the world you were determined...and determined you remain. Pursue your own dreams, remain true to yourself, discover what you want, and let nothing hold you back. We know that your journey will be filled

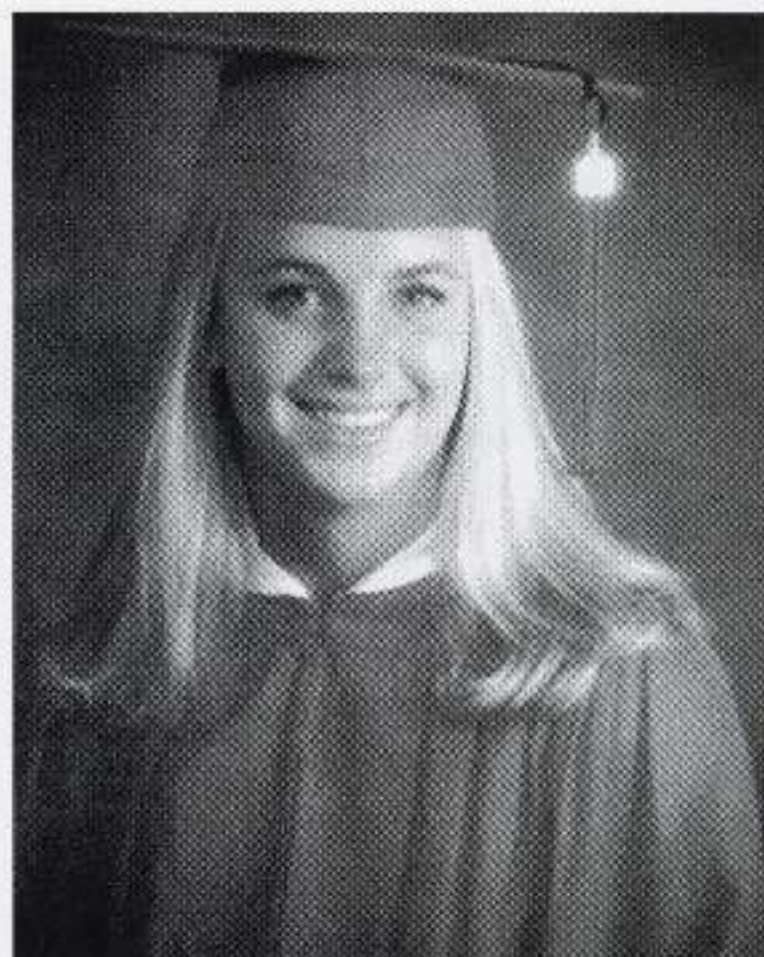
with overwhelming happiness, peace, and joy. You are a beautiful woman capable of love and being loved. Remember always to share who you are and what you have learned. Now that you are too big for us to hold in our arms, we will hold you in our hearts forever...

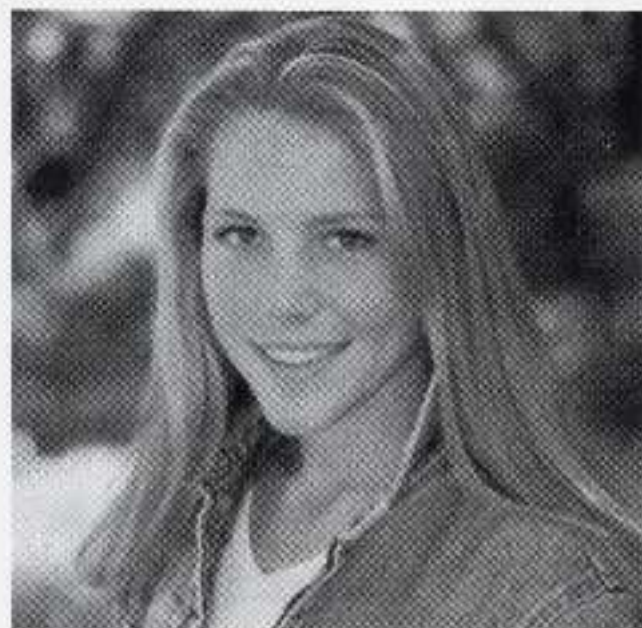
You make us proud.

Happy Graduation Anna!

We love you and applaud you #6.

Always,
Mom & Dad





Dear Kellie:
You have brought great joy and happiness into my life as I've watched you grow and mature into the fine young lady you are today. Your strong faith in our Lord will guide you as you travel along life's path. I love you,
Dad

Courtney, Our "fourrth" daughter
We thought our family was complete until the day
you came into our lives. You will never know the
joy and happiness you bring to us. You are
sunshine and rainbows. OK--so you don't get
A's...and get a bit too sentimental. But that's what
makes our family complete. I'm sure we make our
mothers proud. Always hold on to your uniqueness
and spontaneity and the world will be yours.
We love you and cherish you,
Your Nordhagen Family



Courtney-(or should I say)
Quart-ney, Forrest, or Chapin
Wow we did it! My life would not
be the same without you. So
many memories: Musketeers,
Mexico, Vegas, Carp, S.D. etc...
Good luck in the future, you
deserve your major leaguer!
God has truly blessed me with
our friendship.
I love you Court,
Danni Socha (sturat)



Blondie,

It's hard for me to find the right words to express just
how much you mean to me. But this comes pretty
close. Anna Lee Nordhagen, you complete me.

Love,
Texas

Kellie,

Congratulations! Be proud of your accomplishments and continue to set
your goals high. May your future be filled with the same joy and happiness
that your smile and fun-loving sense of humor has given us.

God Bless You, Always...

Love, Vicki, Jenny, and Chris



Congratulations, Cos! We are so proud of you! For four years you've juggled your schoolwork and participating in two varsity sports, and handled them both very well. I know your mom in Heaven is very proud of you. Know you will be awesome in college too. Good Luck! We love you so much!
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Dear Danielle (Danni),
Watching you develop through the years into a beautiful, wonderful young lady, we are so proud!



Always have been! Always will be! You can be anything you want to be! The sky's the limit! Put all your compassion and enthusiasm in the right place and you will always be successful!



We love you!
God bless you!
Always,
Mom, Dad, Dave & Doug

Danni, Schwanda, Bob, and Gracie,
No matter who you are, we will always love you. Well, most of the time at least.

Galatians 2:20

Your friends,
Kathy, Allee & Jenny



Congratulations Sochi!
You made it! You have made it a wonderful adventure. Thank you so much for being a great friend through it all. Many, many more to come for us!
Love you always, Court

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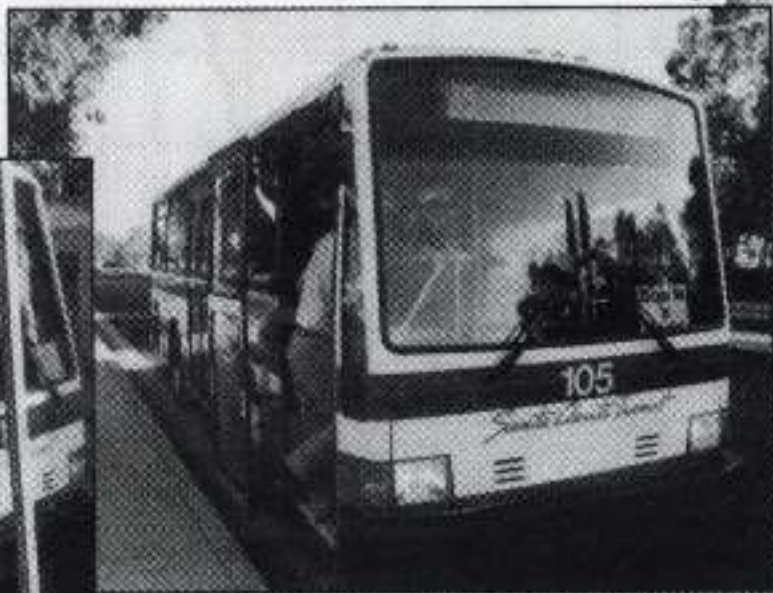
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Cecilia Elizabeth,
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 Mom, Dad, Jesse, and Liliana

David--

You've met many goals in life. Here is another one and another step into your future. We're very proud of all you've accomplished. Remember Proverbs 3:5-6.
 Love, Mom, Dad, Dan, Val & Ken



Congratulations Bethanie
 Your family is so very proud of you, your accomplishments, and the beautiful young woman you have become. God has blessed you with many gifts, most importantly, your caring of others and your positive attitude. Always follow your dreams and remember to enjoy your journey. God Bless You,
 Love, Mom, Dad, Lindsey & Nana

HAYLEY KATHLEEN



Through all these years we've watched you grow. You've worked and studied hard to learn all you know. And you've accomplished so much, as your records all show. Your efforts will reward you, now off to college you go! We're very proud of you, Sweets, and we all love you so!
 Hugs and Kisses, Mom, Dad, and Evan



Alena,
 May you dive into your future with the same enthusiasm, determination, and compassion that you have shared with us while growing up.
 We will always be there to love and support you.
 Love, Mom & Dad

Congratulations from Alaska!
 To all my friends at Hart High!

Love,
 Charly Ruth Masters
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Dear Nicki,
 You are a wonderful daughter and a caring sister. We admire the variety of your talents. You are sure to have a successful life.
 Love,
 Mom, Dad, Tanya, Jesse & Jamie

Dear Erich,
 It has been an exceptional four years watching you mature as a musician, athlete, and young man. You're off to a great start on the rest of your life. Chieftains are #1, Hart is #1, and you are #1 in our hearts.
 Love, Mom, Dad & Kristine



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Love,
Dad, Mom, Andel, Joe, Emily, and Denise



DEAREST DIANA:
Your success and happiness lie in you. External conditions are the accidents in life. Remain true to your convictions. Your ability to go through life successfully will depend largely upon your traveling with courage and a good sense of humor, for both are conditions of survival.

WE ARE SO PROUD OF YOU!!

CONGRATULATIONS!

LOVE, DAD, MOM, AND MELISSA

Rachelle Pfister:

Build on your yesterdays...
Plan for a brighter tomorrow...
Enjoy today for the gift that it is,
then live, love, and laugh.
We will always love you.

Mom, Dad, and Ryan

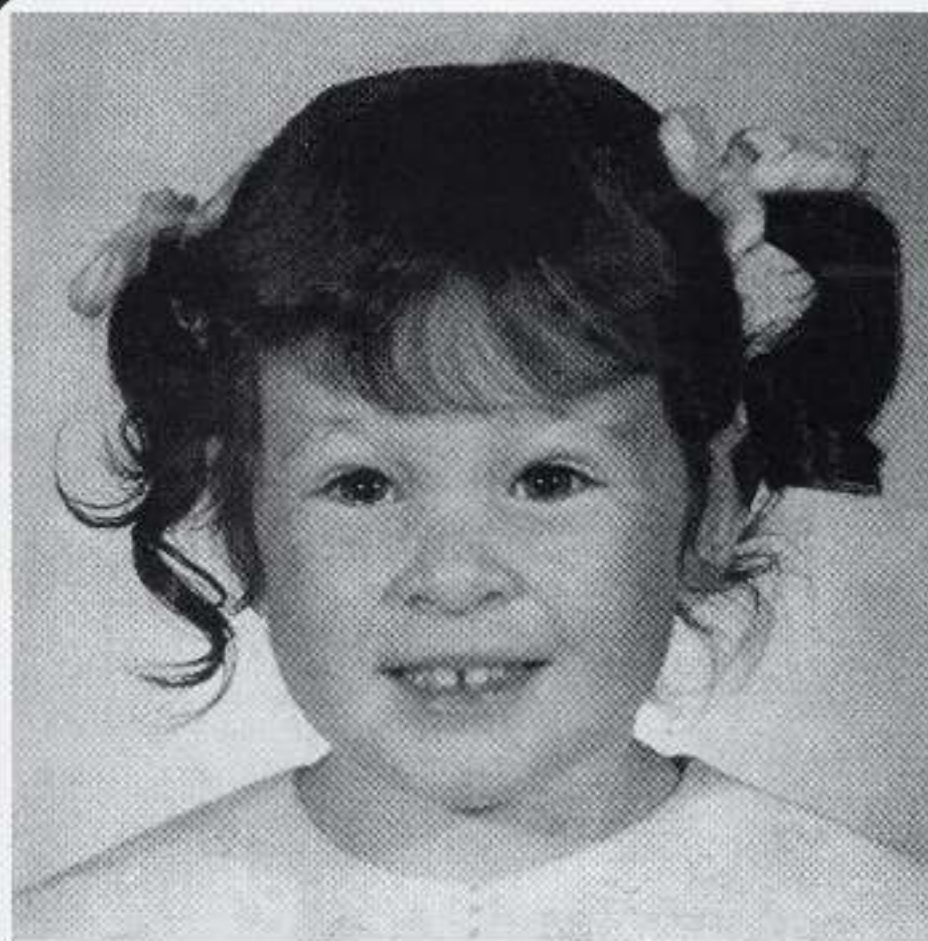


Congratulations Eddie!
I knew you could make it.
We love you, and
Good luck.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Minola,
Robert

Congratulations, Katie!
Wishing our wonderful
daughter the very best
in your college and life
pursuits.
Love, Mom, PC,
Dad, Evie



Katie & Andrea,
"You will be all the things in the world
you've never been, see all the things
in the world you've never seen, dream
all the things in the world you've never
dreamed." --The Cure
I love you both & wish you well.
Always, Kate



Princess Amy,
We are so very
proud of you.
May all your
dreams and
wishes come
true.
Love,
Dad, Mom,
Karen & Cindy



Congratulations Amber!
We have enjoyed watching our little girl grow
up to become such a loving and caring young
woman. We are so proud you.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Lauren. Go for the Gold, Cuz! Congratulations and we love you.

Keli and Shane

Lauren. Trust me. Life is worse than high school.
La Familia Vela

Lauren, You Actually Graduated. Congratulations. We love you.

Bubba, Candee, Thomas, Dusty, Deaven, and Josie

Dear Lauren,

I can't tell you how much joy you have brought me. I have always been so proud of you, and especially now as you graduate into a mature young beauty. I love you.

Grandma



Dear Lauren:

Congratulations to our Beautiful Granddaughter. We know you will have a bright future ahead regardless of the road you choose to travel. Love from very proud Grandpa Joe and Marian back in Texas--Land of your Birth!



To Our Little Lauren.
We Love You.
Bootsie and Pawpaw

Dear Lauren,

As you begin your life's journey, I want you to know how proud I am of you and what you've accomplished. Your independent spirit, curiosity, humor, and love have been a joy to me through the years. Congratulations and the best of success. My unconditional love and support will be with you always. I'll always be with you.

Dad



Lauren--

You are my beautiful



brown-
eyed
baby,
the light



of my existence. You are the
only wish that I have ever
had come true in my life,
and you are more than I
wished for. I have never
doubted you for a second,
and have no doubt now that
you will reach the stars. I
love you.



Mom

Congratulations
Jimmy!
We are so
proud of you.
We love you.



Mom & Brittany

Congratulations Patty!
You made it through the first lessons
of life. The next lessons will Take you
beyond what you have learned.
Good Luck in your new
adventure.

Love, Mom & Erin



Congratulations Marixa!

Your strong quiet presence has enriched our lives.
May success and happiness be yours in all you do.
We love you and will always be there for you.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Congratulations Jamie!

For 18 years we've watched you grow, marveled at the
things you've accomplished, and loved you with all of our
hearts. Take the future and make it yours! We're so proud.

Love, Mom and Dad

P.S. The rest is up to you! Love, Stephanie



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Congratulations
Stephanie!
We pray that you will
continue to be success-
ful in all you endeavor
to do.
We love & support you,
Dad, Mom & Holly



Congratulations Jennifer!

May your creative spirit paint success
and happiness throughout your life!

Love, Dad, Mom, and Greg



"Love to the end," Mom

Congratulations
Arnie
For the person
you have
become. I love,
admire &
respect you
very much,
thank you for
sharing your life
with me.

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Congratulations Kris!
We're very proud of
you and your
accomplishments.
We hope all of your
dreams come true!
Love,
Mom and Dad



When the time comes
To set your course,
To make your plan
And play your part,
All will know
How well you've done,

You aimed High--
And hit the mark!
Congratulations
Cameron!
Love you!
Mom and Dad

Congratulations to the
Graduating Class of 1998
From all your friends at

Lee's Hallmark

Congrats Eddie Alan!



I wish lots of love
& happiness in
the future. Thank
you for always
being there for
me. You are the
best!
Love you,
Megan

To the best sister I
could ever ask for.
Thanks for always
being there for me
and letting me kick it
with you and your
friends. You'll always
be my big sister and
my best friend.

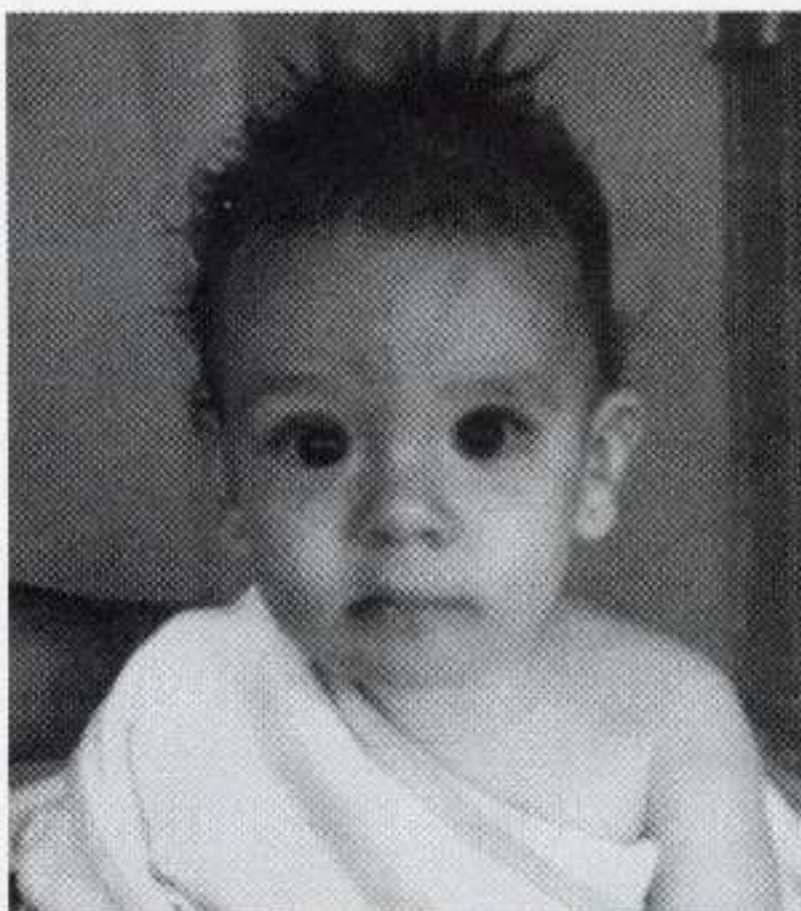


Precious Memories Saved

Waterloo, the
P.O.S., birthdays,
and bags.
Best friends
forever,
Cristina and Lesley



Look Within
Live Fully
Laugh Often
Love All Ways
We love you
always
Mom & Dad





Dear Eddie,
Congratulations on your accomplishment.
You have made us very proud of you.
Continue to dream
big dreams and go
after them!

Remember: "We'll
love you forever,
we'll like you for
always. As long as

we're living, our baby you'll be."

Love,

Mom, Dad, Vic, Eric, Robby & Pee Wee



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Congratulations Holly

Having you for a daughter has been one of God's greatest gifts to us. You have touched our lives so deeply with pride, as we have watched you grow into the wonderful young woman that you are. You have set your goals high and worked hard to achieve them. May your future be



filled with
happiness and
success as you
pursue your
dreams.

We love you
very much,

Mom and Dad

Dearest Kerry,
Congratulations!!! We
are very proud of you.

You are a wonderful
daughter. We wish you
much happiness and
success as you embark
on a new phase of your
life. Whatever you
choose to do, you will
always have our love
and support.

Good luck!!!

Much love always,
Mom, Dad, Derek, and
Matthew





Congratulations Donna,
We are so proud of
you. You are a terrific
young lady. You have
so much to offer. Go
get 'em. We love you
lots and lots,
Mom, Dad, Meghan,
T.J. & Mika



Scottie and Kerry,
May the road rise up to
meet you. May the wind be
always at your back.
Best friends forever!
Love, your moms

Remember when...

Our moms met when we were in third grade
We became instant friends

From potions to gutter boats to photography
We will be trouble makers together forever.

Friends Forever and Always





Congratulations Kristen!

Your smile lights up any room and the love of God shines through your eyes. We were thrilled the day you were born, and have felt blessed every day since. You have brought us much pride and joy! You are a beautiful, confident young woman who has so very much to offer the world. We wish you only the best as you continue your education and prepare for your future. With God's

love and guidance, may all your dreams come true.

We couldn't have asked for a more special
daughter and sister!

We all love you very much,
Mom, Dad and Kyle



~Aron~



Imagine any and all possibilities.

How it will happen will take care of itself.

We are so very proud of you.

Mom, Dad & Brian



Dear Doug,

We have treasured being able to watch you grow and being a part of your life. You have made us think, you have made us laugh, and you have made us proud.

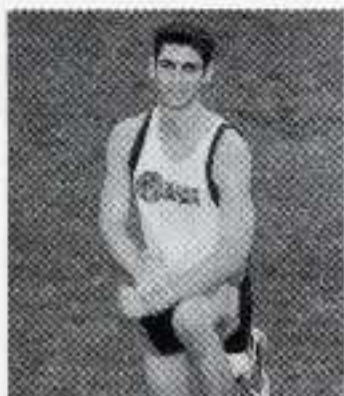


We love you.

Congratulations!

Love,

Mom and Dad



Congratulations, Brian!

Your special magic shines in all you do. We are so proud of the young man you have become--determined, strong, compassionate, and full of life! Make the most of your great gifts, bringing joy into the lives of all who know you. Hold fast to your dreams and you will achieve greatness. You can always count on us to be there for you.

With love and pride,
Mom, Rich, & Adam



Your Dad, Aunt Barbie, Uncle Bill and Grandpa are sure that this will be one of the best Tomahawks ever because you are one of the best ever. It has been a rare privilege to watch you grow and approach adulthood. Thanks for the chance to have contributed.

Congratulations, Snapper!

The world is waiting for you.
Go for it.

Love, Mom & Megan




We are both very proud of you. You bring so much happiness to our lives. We know you will succeed in life because of your determination and hard work. Remember we will always be here for you whenever you need us.

God bless you,
Love Mom & Dad

Well guys, we've finally made it! Our four years together have been exciting as well as unforgettable. The wonderful friendships and memories we have made are everlasting. You are all in my heart always. I love you all, Stacie



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Stacie,
 You've become a fine young lady. It's been wonderful watching you grow. You have the poise and intelligence to accomplish anything you set your sites on. We look forward to you achieving your heart's desires.
 From Dad, Mom, and Robbie





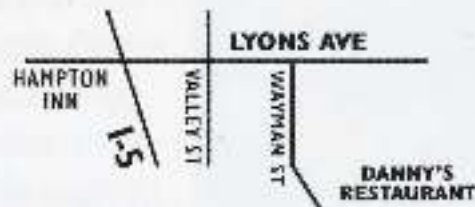
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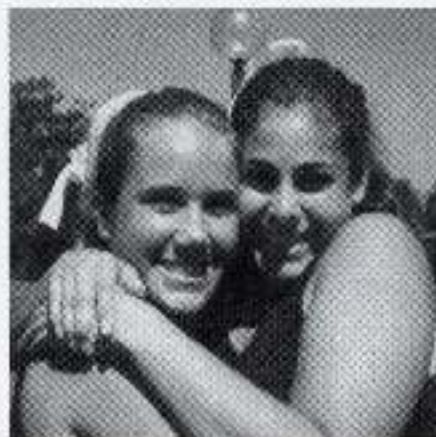
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BFF Love Always, Stac





Way to kick it, Steve
Man of action...loving brother and
son...youngest of the clan...may
your life continue to be filled with
thrills, adventures, and goals--but
perhaps with a little less turbulence
for the rest of us, if you know what
we mean! Congratulations on your
achievements. We love you and
wish you nothing but the best.

Mom & Dad
Shannon & Tad
Brett & Renee
Brandon





Gina,
God Blessed me when he gave me you.
Thank you for loving me through all the
tough times. You have become a lovely,
beautiful lady in every aspect. Thank you
for being my friend, guardian angel, my
daughter. I love you! Mom

G,
You have truly blessed my life. Thank you
for sharing your life with me and allowing
me to be a part of yours. I thank God for
such a wonderful daughter and in turn a
great friend. Dana

GiGi
We love you so much! Pax & Dayton



Heather:
We are very proud of you and all of your
accomplishments. You have filled our lives
with love and laughter. You will always be
"our special Heaver from Heaven."



We love you forever and ever!!!!
Mom, Dad, James, and T.J.



"Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal."

--Henry Ford



Travis--
Set your goals high and work hard to achieve them. Know that we will always be there for you. May your future bring you happiness and success. We love you!

Dad, Mom &
Tracey



Travis & Chris



"Best Buds"
Your friendship has been long lasting through baseball, football, snowboarding, houseboat trips, and the many lake trips. We are very proud of the loyalty you have shown towards each other.

Love,
Your Families



Go, Georgia!
Congratulations!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Sally & Ben



Dearest Erin,

To the girl of our dreams--you have been all that and much, much more. As you now seek your own path in life be forever you, Erin, and you will affect the lives of many.

Love always,
Mom and Dad



Erin--

You truly leave a positive mark on whatever you attempt, always making the world a better place. Remember, life is a journey, the finish line wherever you make it: never stop running (even on the hills).

Scott

True confessions from a brother: No matter what, I always will be, and have been, proud to call you my little sister.

Jackie,

You've grown into a beautiful, exciting, and strong young lady. We are so proud of you and your many accomplishments. May Christ guide you on this new exciting journey in Life.

With all our Love,

Mom, Dad, Jenny, and Jessica



Eric,

It doesn't seem that long ago that you were that little boy so full of wonder. Now you are a young man ready to hit the future, your Grandparents and family will



always be proud of you.

You have

accomplished a lot and we know you will do well in all you do.

Love,

Mom & Dad



Dearest Diana,

Before you were born, we could not imagine life with you; now that you're all grown up, we can't imagine life without you. Your loving strength of spirit is an inspiration, and a



blazing light for all to follow. As

your parents,

we are confident

that happiness and success will follow you for the rest of your life.

Love,

With all our hearts

Mom, Dad, Jenny



You have grown from our little princess into a high school graduate. Now more exciting things await you. Andy, we are very proud of you and will always love you.

Mom, Dad & Kelly



Antoine Themistocleous

Dear Antoine,
Congratulations on your hard work that led you to your academic achievement. We love you and are proud of you for what you have become. We wish you success in all your future endeavors.
As Ever,
Mary, Farah, Fátima, and Tony

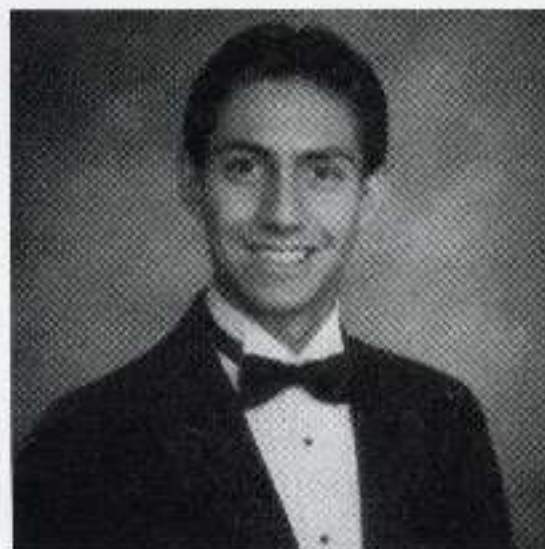
Antoine

You are so wonderful, so exciting, and we are very proud of you.

We love you so very, very much.



Be sure that whatever you decide to do with your future, you can always count on our support. We congratulate you from the bottom of our Hart.
Mai, Pai, and Alex.





Congratulations, Keeli! Thank you for 17 wonderful years. Looking forward to what your future has to bring. We love you.
Mom, Dad, and A.J.



Congratulations, Kee!
Good luck in all your future endeavors.
Love, Max

Congratulations Bryan!
Follow your dreams and may you always be happy.
We love you,
Mom & Sean

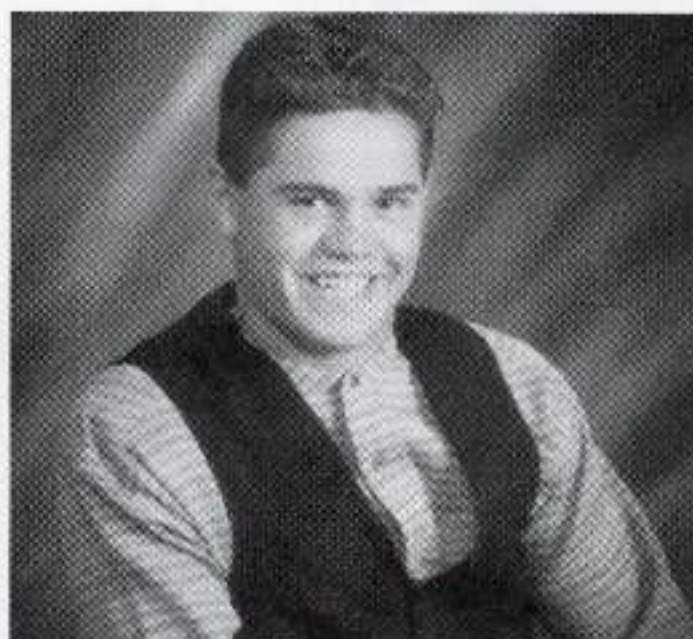
To Hillary--the last of our graduates!
You have tried new places, lived in strange ones, and always made the best of your situation. Such a great attitude! Such a fun girl!
We love you,
Mom, Dad, Regan, Kirk, and Shannon



Congratulations, Bryan!
"You've got a big heart. Keep it filled with happiness. You've got a fascinating mind. Keep finding new ways to grow. Keep yearning. Keep learning. Keep trying. Keep smiling. And keep remembering that a parent's love goes with you...everywhere you go."
--Douglas Richards
With all our love--Dad, Karen & Sean



To Jonathan,



Congratulations!!

You've been our biggest challenge and our greatest joy. We wish you a most joyous and successful future. Enjoy your college years at San Diego, and remember there will always be a place for you in our hearts at home!

With Love & Pride,
Mom, Dean, Brittney, Nolan, Chanel & Grammy



You are the music of our hearts.
Carry your song wherever you go
and share our joy with the world!
Mom - Dad - Colin



Wendy,
You hold your future in your hand. Be all that
you can be. "You are precious in His sight."
Love, Mom, Dad & Kristen

Leslie,

We hope your future brings with it frequent feelings of joy, daily feelings
of peacefulness, and a lifetime of satisfied expectations.

You have every reason to hold the highest expectations for
yourself and others who venture into your life.

We hope that you always feel loved and secure in the knowledge that we
will support you.

You will realize your dreams, feel the exceptional pleasure of being
worthwhile, and recognize the
value of intrinsic rewards.

We hope that you realize the importance of
patience, accept others for who they are, and find many
friends who are loyal and add value to your life.

Most important, be pleased with yourself. Recognize your
beauty, talent, strengths, and weaknesses.

We could not be more proud.

Love, Mom and Dad





Dear Tyler,
You have made us proud.
Keep reaching for the "high notes" in life and always remember to have fun and be happy. We love you!

Mom, Dad, and Emily



Nate-Dog!!
You have proven that whatever you set your mind to, you can accomplish it well. We are proud of you.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Ben & Clarissa

Scottie,

Follow your heart, remember your dreams, and believe in your own magic. The brightness of your star is up to you.

Love, Mom



Amy,
You've come a
long way, Baby!
Love,
Reid, Joan,
Tracy & Michele



Andy #20
From the beginning
you captured our hearts,
then the years raced by
and you earned your start.
You've made us proud
for all you've done.
And your future is bright,
Andy our son.
Congratulations!
We love you,
Mom & Oliver



Andy,
Thanks for the precious memories you have
given us. Without them our lives would be
treasureless--congratulations.
Love, Billy, Jeffrey, Darlene & Dad

What an exciting time in your life!

You can look back with pride at all your accomplishments and look forward to the future and all the opportunities waiting for you. The world is a better place because of

you, for you will always bring excellence and enthusiasm to all that you do. We love you!! Mom, Dad, Matthew, and Nana.





Peg,

You have given us wonderful memories, and plenty to be proud of. We wish you as much joy as you have given us. Keep setting your goals high, smile and keep that inner beauty of yours intact.

We love you, Mom, Dad & Tim

Matt Hickerson

We helped you take your first step into the world and now, with your loyal devotion you will gain many prestigious paths to your dreams. Congratulations, for this is the first step into your world.

Love, Mom, Dad & Jerry



Nader:
We love you.
We believe in you.
We will always stand by you.
Count on us--
Mom, Dad, Dena



"Chewy"
No matter where you go,
I'll always be there to shoot on you.
--Jerry



Congratulations Chicken!

May you always cross the road to get to the other side.
Love, Mom & Dad,
Richard, Jodie & Katie



Congratulations Marc!
You have made it, and we are very proud of you.
We love you,
Dad and Mom,
Melissa, Tata, and Reena



Congratulations
Jessica,
From pigtails to my
best friend. The
future is your next
adventure.
I love you!
Mom

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"Reach for the highest
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We are so proud of you!!

All our love.

Dad, Mom, Chris
Angela, Emily, and
Heather

"A smile is cheer to you and me
The cost is nothing--it's given free
It comforts the weary--gladdens the sad
Consoles those in trouble--good or bad...
Unlike most blessings for which we pray
It's one thing we keep when we give it away."



Taryn,
Your radiant smile has always warmed our
hearts. Your enthusiasm and optimism
have been an inspiration to others. We
couldn't be more proud of you!
May God bless you always.
We love you.
Mom and Dad, Brandon, Derek,
Blake, Shane, and Brady



Amy,
We are so very proud
of the wonderful
young woman you
have become. May
you know the joy that
you have given us
every day of your life.
NEVER let go of your
dreams. NEVER
stop reaching for
those stars. The light
that glows from
within you will surely
guide your way!
We love you,
Mom, Dad & Julie



Congratulations!

Good luck in college Brian!

Love,
All the Family

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Congratulations Jeff!

Thanks for being a great son. We love you and we're very proud of you. Good luck in college.

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Julie



Congratulations Mark!

Now begins the adventure. We know it will end in success. We're all proud of you and with you all the way.

Mom, Dad, Elizabeth, Michael,
Matthew & Robert

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Congratulations Matt!

Whoever thought that turning the sandbox into a stage would have such wonderful results. We are so proud of you and the person you have become. Always remember Philippians 4:13. We love you! Mom, Dad, Leah, Josh, and Gramcracker



Matt,

My two years at high school have been great because of you! What will I do without all the teasing, bickering, and the wonderful friendship we have. Thanks for everything.

I love you,
Leah



Kyle,

You are a terrific son and brother. Growing from a little skater to an older dater...We are proud of your accomplishments and know you have a fantastic future ahead--way to go Ky!

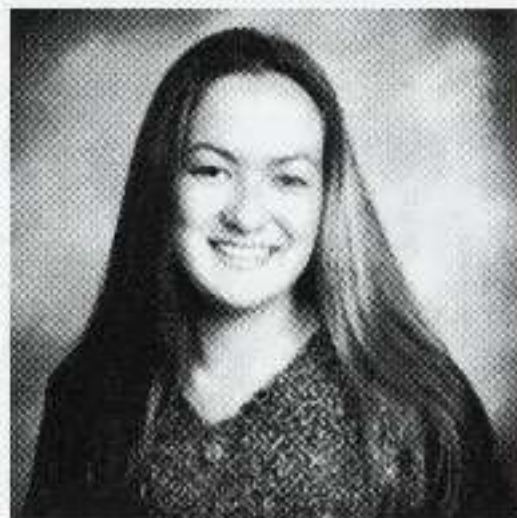
Love, Mom & Dad, Stacey,
Trevor, and Brandy



Shelby,
You've always made us so
proud of you. Our wish for
you is to
have all the

happiness and joy you've
given us.

We love you.



Charles--

Congratulations and thank you for all the wonderful memories you have given us. You have brought us laughter, shown us strength, and filled our hearts with pride.

Your accomplishments throughout high school have been outstanding. May your future be filled

with happiness, good health, and success. We are so proud to be your parents.

Love,

Mom and Dad





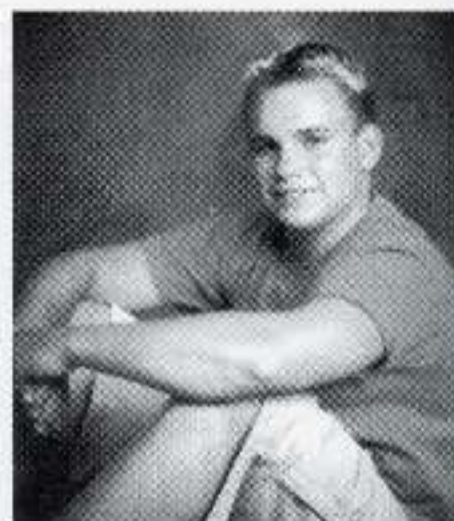
Brandon and Charlie,
You've been friends for many years.
We're sure your friendship will continue
and you'll have many more adventures.
Here's to your bright futures! We love you!
Your Moms & Dads



Brandon--
From preschool through high
school, we have been proud of
your strong commitments and
enthusiasm. May

your positive outlook continue
throughout the future.

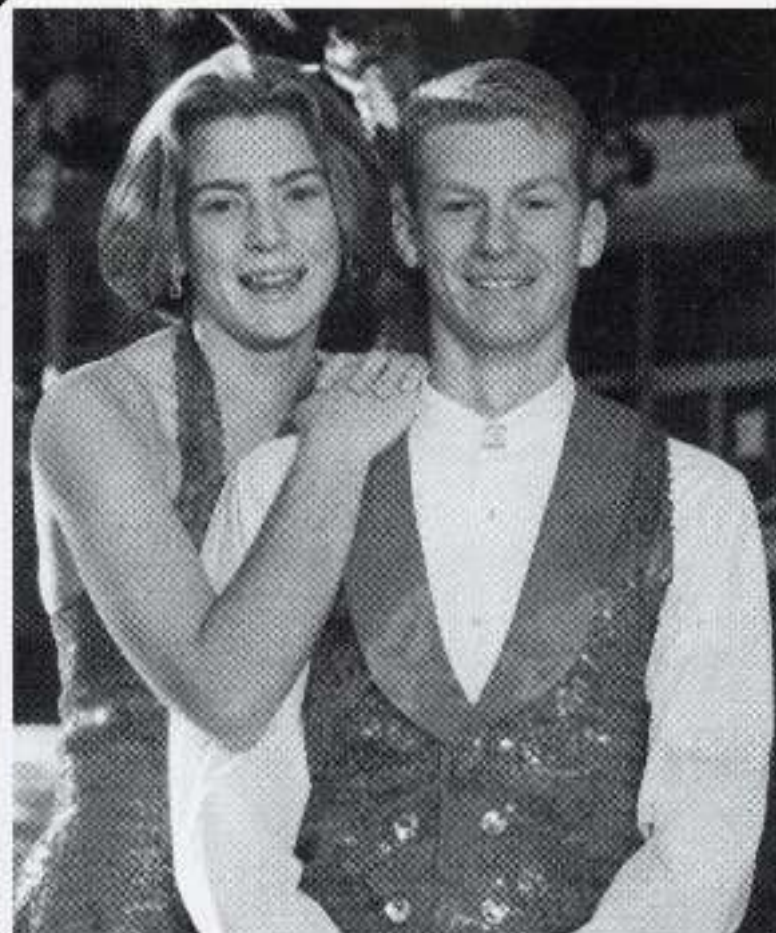
Love, Mom, Dad, and Dustin



Congratulations Geoff

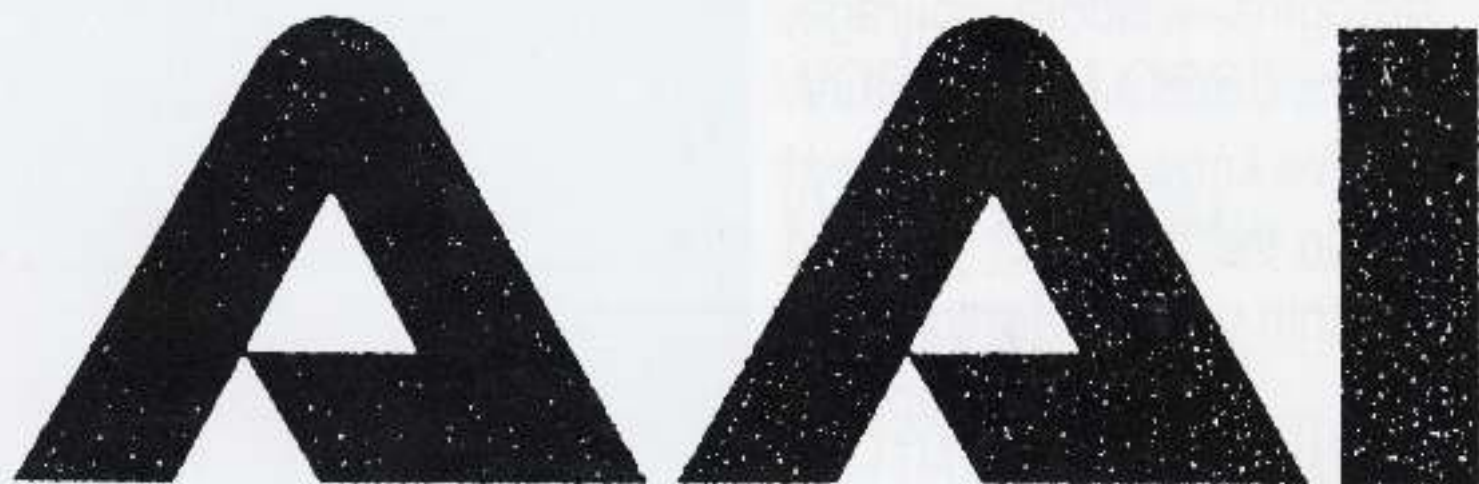
We are so proud of the young man you are becoming!
Remember to measure your life not in obstacles, but
in possibilities. And, as Granpa Doug would say,
"Keep 'em on the short grass."

Love, Mom, Dad & Anne



Dear Jessica,
I love you so much. I have enjoyed watching you grow up to be the young woman you are. I have watched you accomplish every goal you set for yourself. You are an inspiration to me, and I wish you the best in your upcoming years.

Love,
Your Big Bro



Casey Bingham

All hail to Casey Bingham, all hail to thee,
we're loyal and we're true.

Though you wander far from home
we'll always cherish you.

We bless your name, your praise proclaim,
together and apart.

Honestly, you'll always be,
our own sweet Hart.

Congratulations.



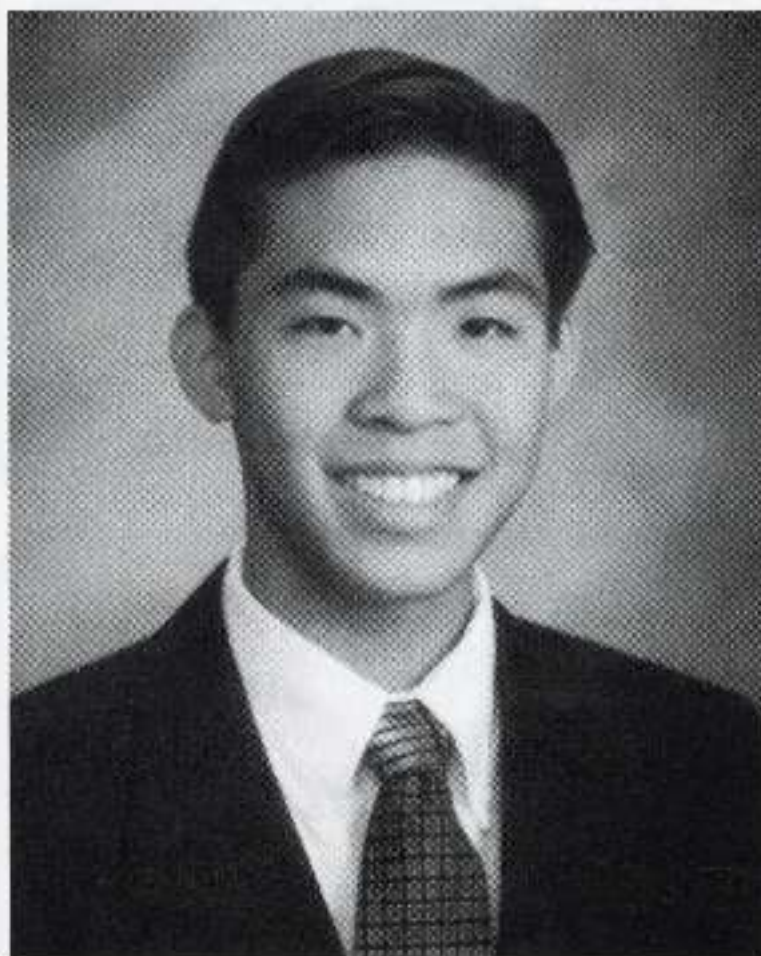
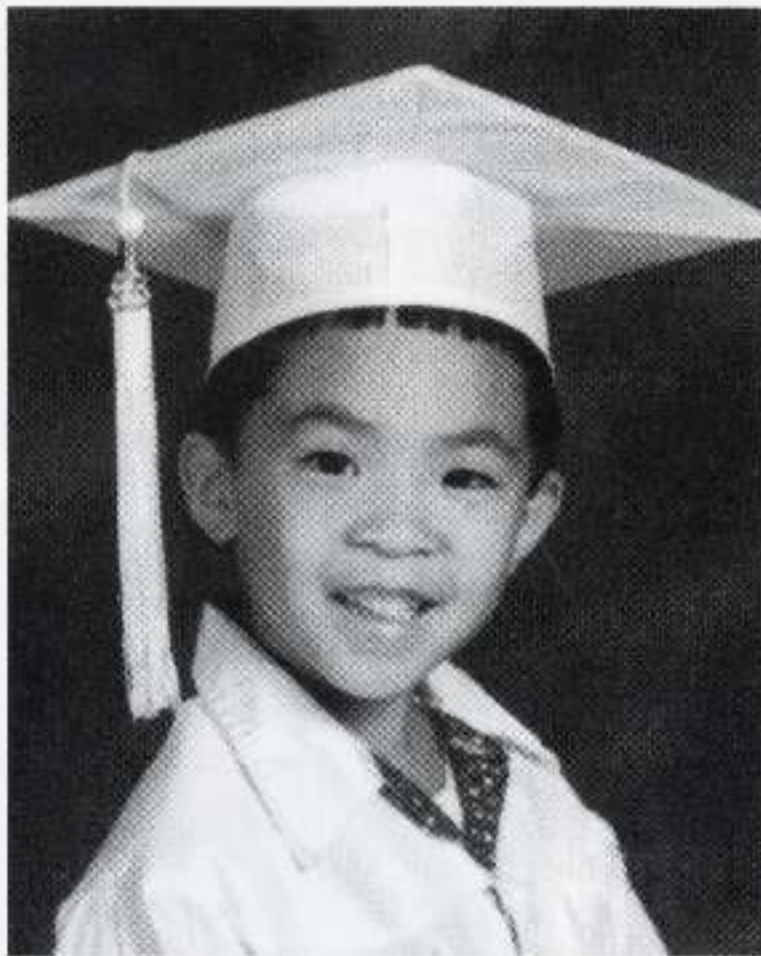
Ryan,

We have seen so many of your
strengths--wisdom, courage,
humor, and a loving nature.

We know there are great
things in the future for you and
it's within your power to make
them happen!

Congratulations and Love,
Mom, Dad, Natasha, Brandon,
Carrie & Robert
"Baby Boo Loves You"





Walther:
Every step you took
has led you to
become a
wonderful,
sensible, and
awesome young
man. May the future
steps you decide to
take lead you to the
world you desire.
We love you,
always!
Mom, Dad, Julius,
and Sabrina



Cristina Cavoto,
From Sesame Street to Sound Vibes,
may all your paths be filled with the music of life!
We love you!!
Dad, Mom, and Sabrina

Chris,
You are one special guy. We
are so very proud of you and all



your
accomplishments.
Never give up your
dreams and goals.
Thank you for all
the wonderful memories you've
given us.



Love, Mom, Dad, and Jamie



Congratulations Pamela.
Words can never express just how proud I am of the
person you have become. The day you were born you
became my heart & soul. You truly have made me
see the world in a different light. Thank you, Pooka.
I love you, Mom

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Kim,

We are proud of who you are and excited for what you will become. You will always be loved. You will always be welcome.



So spread your wings and fly, but not so far that we can't see you and know you are safe and free from harm. We want you only to be happy, not just today, but for always.

Tyler, May you always focus on the important things in life & continue to share your kindness & friendship with others. We're so proud of you for your many accomplishments.

Our love, Mom & Dad



Congratulations

Erik!

Good luck in
your future.

Love, Mom
and Dad



Congratulations

Solid.

You are finally
done. Good
luck bro.

Much Love,
Adam



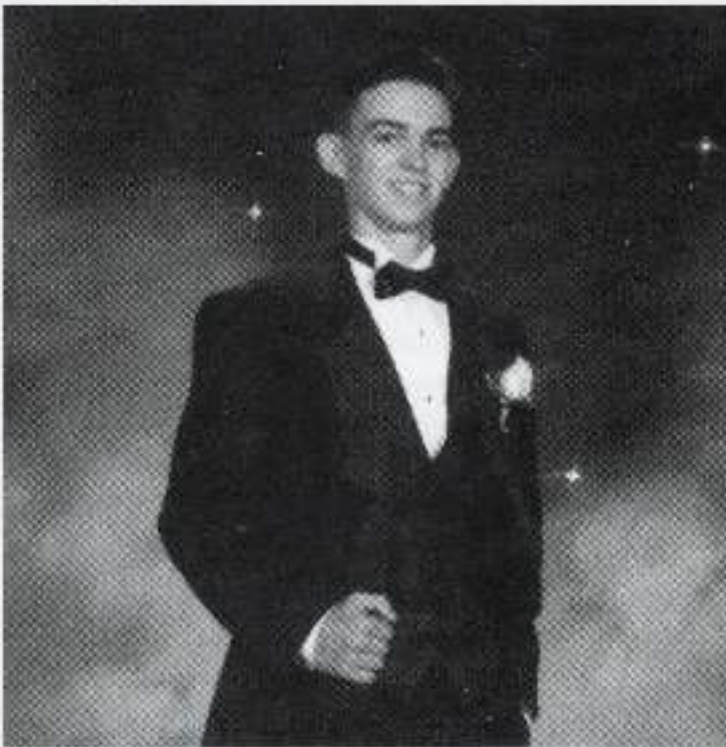


We are so very proud
of the fine young woman
you have now become.
Now it's time to live your dreams.

We know you can achieve anything you desire
Enjoy life to the fullest each and every day
Nothing can stop you now #22
Doing your best and nothing less
Your success has always been our dream
Congratulations Wendy! You did it!
We are behind you all the way.
God Bless You!
Love, Mom, Mike & Dusty



Congratulations Travis!



Follow your dreams and enjoy the ride...You have my support & love!!!! Dad

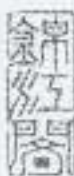


You were born too soon and fought for your life. You fought the battle and survived. You are now our star shining bright. The early fight for life was hard, but your future will be bright. We will always be with you on your journey to wherever your path may lead.
Love, Mom, Dad, Jim & Christie

Congratulations, you have always been a compassionate and caring person. Your smile and affection are the light of our daily lives. The journey has only just begun and we are very proud of you. May God continue to bless you as you seek your destiny.



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Congrats Nordys! You guys have made it unforgettable. So many great memories I will never forget. I thank God for you both and your family. Good luck and many more great times to come. I love you guys and thank you for always believing in Forrest.

Always,
Courtney Chapin



Friends forever...

The memories will always stick in my mind. Two great friends are hard to find. Great times continue day after day, I can't imagine each of us moving away. From soccer to softball we have done it all; growing up together was such a ball. I thank you both for standing by my side. In times when we laughed and times when we cried. The great times and memories never fade away. I think about them and laugh day after day. Nine long years we have had so much fun, you two are great and I love you a ton.

Proverbs 17:17 Kellie



Kellie and Courtney,

I love you guys with all my heart. You two are the ones who have made my life complete. Never forget our memories and always remember that we will have many more to come. Good luck in college and most of all remember $6+18=24$.

Love You Guys too Much,

Anna



"Daniel San," "Dan da Man," he's even known as the stud. You've been my little bro, the one who always ratted on me, but always my bud. I told you that you were adopted from Italy. I laughed, you cried. You got even with me when Smurfett crashed and died. Through link



n' logs, feminist debates, and Shamu at Malibu, you'll always be my fave bro. And yes I do love you! Good Luck! Love Big Sis Jenn

Donny--

I remember the day you were born. It was one of the happiest days of my life. You have always made us proud of you. We love you.



God bless you,
Mom, Dad,
Jennifer &
Matthew



Congratulations To Our Sweet Randy
Run the race and never grow weary.

1 Corinthians 9:24

We love you!

Mom, Dad, Nicki, Amy, Alan, Levi &
Haven



Sara, you're the poet in our hearts
Never change, never stop...

Congratulations!

We're so proud of the beautiful
person that you have become!

With all our love,
Mom, Steve, Rachel, Corrie
And all of your family.

Congratulations

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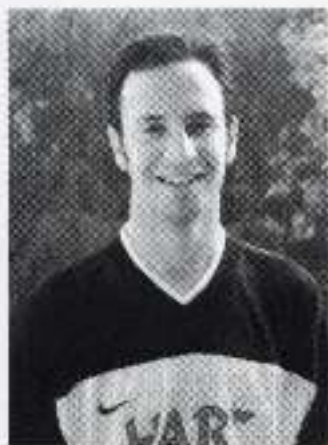
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Congratulations Adam!

We are so proud of you for all your accomplishments. It has been our joy and pleasure to watch you learn and grow. Your journey into adulthood will be both challenging and rewarding. Our thoughts and support will always be with you.

Love,

Mom and Dad and Blaire



Piglet,

Through laughter and tears we grew dependent on each other. Now I must walk the halls alone, eat lunch without you, and grow without you at my side. But no matter how independent I am forced to become, you will always be my shoulder to cry on and I will be yours.



Cristin,

Congratulations on your graduation.

We are so proud of the person you have become.

Always follow your instincts and you will excel in life.

We believe in you.

Love always, Mom and Dad



Chris,
We have watched you go from a "Social Bandit" to a
"Lost Cause," and now you go for "All or Nothing."
Always keep your wonderful sense of humor. You're
a great guy and we are very proud of you!
Love, Matt, Mom & Dad



Kristin,
We love and admire your warmth and
spirit. May your life be full of love,
laughter, family, and friends.
Love, Mom, Dad, and Jamie

"You mean I'm really graduating?"
Yes, Charlie it's true and now the
desire to succeed will make your
life plan a reality. We're proud of you.
Mom, Dad, and Amy



Dear Michelle,
You have worked so hard we just know your dreams will come
true. We will always be there for you. We know that you will
attain whatever goals you set for yourself. We love you so much
and are continually excited that God blessed us with you.
All our love,
Mami, Papi, Allita, Tia, Mo, Monicaca



Kelly,

A loving, gentle, caring soul,
With an optimistic "full of sunshine" outlook,
Who has a deep love of God
and His gift of an awesome singing voice,

And a love that continues
to overflow to her sister.



Keep God's love in your heart and
always look for His guidance and
nothing will be impossible!

We love you!

Dad, Mom & Katie
Orange Juice
and Rosebudd too!



Dearest Holly LaNelle,

You are our fairy princess. As we first looked into the depths of your deep brown eyes 18 years ago, it was clear that you were very special. With your heart you have truly touched your family and friends. Your inner soul has been glimpsed through your wonderful music and poetry. With your hard work you have conquered many challenges in school. You have always had a special place and shared your secret thoughts with your first friends--Bonny and Clyde. With your



kindness and understanding you have always been there for your friends. Now is the time to be kind to yourself. Give yourself time to learn about life and the world. Enjoy its joys and surprises while you are still in awe of its wonders. You are in the spring of your life. Enjoy the warmth of the sun and blossom into the full grown, beautiful princess you deserve to be. Be kind to yourself, Pumpkin. We are proud of you. You are special.

Love,

Mom and Dad

Reid, Mary, Travis, and Kelly

Grandma and Grandpa

Lori Dzieciolowski

Our angel with the most beautiful blue eyes and independent spirit. We are so proud of you! May all your dreams come true.

You go, girl!

Love,

Mom, Dad, and Jill



Marie,

Congratulations to our Texas Rose. Follow your dreams with energy and optimism. They are all possible. We are very proud of you and all you have accomplished. Wishing you success and happiness as you begin your new journey. We will always be there with our love and support throughout your life.

We love you too much,

Mom, Dad, Jeff, and Shadow



Joshua Kamen Lewis

"Strong & Courageous"

Never underestimate your abilities & you will prosper in all you attempt! May you find as much love & happiness on your journey through life as you've brought me.

Congratulations!

Mom

XOXO



David,

Follow your Dream; we will be with you all the way. You have made us so proud!



Remember along the way "D," have fun. We love you.



Dad, Mom, Jimmy, Ali & Grandma



Keep Smiling Jacy!
...and the world is yours!
We love you always,
Mom, Dad, and Carlye



Natalie,
 You are truly a gift from God. We are so proud of you and the wonderful person that you have become. You have excelled academically and athletically. God has special plans for you. Open your eyes and heart to see where He will lead you!

Love, Mom, Dad, Corey & Kristen

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Congratulations Matt!

Your sense of humor and laughter have filled our hearts. You are a treasure in our lives. We are very proud of the young man you have become. With hard work & dedication the future is yours.

All our love,
 Mom, Dad & Christy

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Annie,



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 We love you!
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 and Brandon

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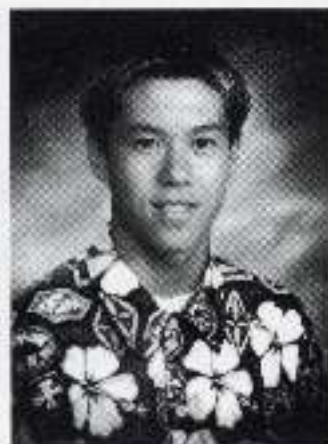
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Jennifer, you were my sweet little baby, so gentle and content. Now, you have grown into a beautiful and confident young woman of your own. I will always be proud of you and love you with all my heart. Thank you for the joy you brought. You have achieved so much in these first eighteen years. You have a destiny, make the most of your dreams and be happy.



Love always,
Mom

Congratulations, Sarah, Peter, Beth, Matthew, Luke, and Claire

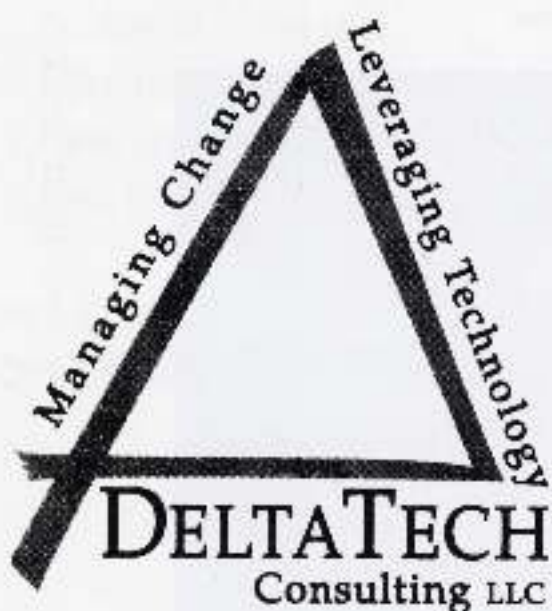


Son, you are the love of life for us. No parent could be prouder of who you are and what you have accomplished. Your future is bright and promising, so go for it and make a difference in this world. We know you will become a fine young man of courage and integrity. Always remember that we will be there to support you. Thank you for sharing your life with us as we feel blessed to have known you.

Love,
Mom, Dad & Courtney

Congratulations Shelby!
Cool Beans! We're really proud of you! We love you.
From your favorite cousins--
Casey, Kailey, Corey & Cassidy





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Ryan, it seems like only yesterday that you were graduating from kindergarten and now here it is...your high school graduation. We are very proud of all of your hard work. We are especially proud of the leadership you have shown these past four years in Hart's award-winning band. This year, as one of the student directors, you helped lead the Regiment to victory at various competitions. We congratulate you and wish you all the success in the future! Keep reaching for the stars...it can all be yours!!



With tremendous pride and love,
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WOMAN YOU HAVE BECOME. YOU'VE WORKED SO
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Congratulations Tara!!

You have proved yourself to

...be ahead of the rest.

...have the determination to succeed.

...have courage against the odds.

...be a truly beautiful young woman.



You are a special treasure to each of us and have made us so very proud of you. Follow your dreams and get all you deserve from life. We will be with you all the way.

Mom and Ken,
Peter, Samantha,
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Dad, and Ethelyn



Congratulations--From a little girl to a young adult.

Dear Anabel, a new period of your life lies ahead, but with your achievement through high school I'm convinced that you'll do great. You truly earned it.

A very proud dad that loves you very much.





Ashlee Nicole,
 On the road that I have taken
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 YOU HAVE GIVEN ME.

MAY LOVE, JOY & HAPPINESS FILL
 YOUR LIFE FOREVER
 LOVE, MOM





Dear Nicole,
We feel so blessed to have such a warm and caring daughter like you. In whichever road you take, we are confident you will succeed.

Our love goes with you.
With God's love,
Dad, Mom, Neil, Ron, and
Elise



Jess, you're the best.



We couldn't be
prouder,
Mom, Dad,
Ian, Fiona,
and Ivy





Dear Carla,
We couldn't be more proud of the person that you've become. The qualities you possess, maturity, responsibility, compassion, sensitivity, and honesty, will help guide you through your future. Life holds much excitement ahead. Remember we will always be here for you.

God bless you and keep you.

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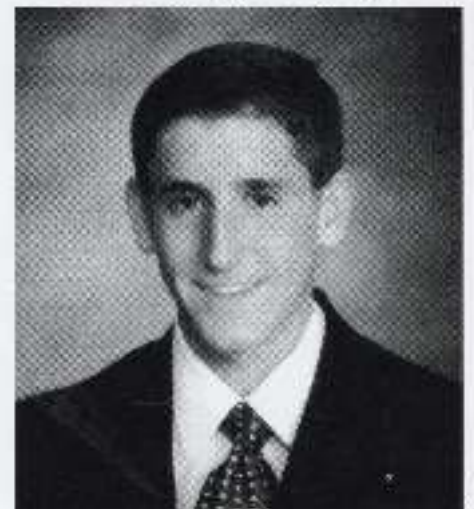
Cory--

You are a great kid! These last eighteen years hold a lot of fond memories and laughter. We are proud of your accomplishments and the young man you've become! Always keep your kind heart, sense

of humor, and great smile! Work hard in college and have fun!

We love you so much,

Mom, Dad, Chris, and Matt





Congratulations Willie!
You made it happen and have made us
proud. May your future dreams come true;
we know you will succeed because it's what
you want.
Love Always,
Mom and Dad

Congratulations To Our Grandson on his
graduation and next comes college.
Love,
Grandpa Tony & Grandma Concha

Congratulations Willie!
Best wishes for the future.
Love,
Grandma Emily

Congratulations Willie!
I hope you succeed in everything you do in
life.
Love,
Nino Steven



Congratulations Willie!
Best of luck in the future.
Love,
Nina Yvonne

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everything in the future.
Love,
Your Big Sister Lynette, Rod & Ryan



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Some people come into our lives
and walk with us a mile
and then because of circumstance
they only stay a while.

They serve a need within the days
that move so quietly by
and then are gone beyond our reach
we often wonder why.

God only knows the reason
we meet and share a smile
why people come into our lives
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With much appreciation for your enthusiasm,
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You are the most precious gift that God has given us.



We will treasure your memories with joy and love. We are very proud of you. We will always love you and be there for you. With all our love,
Mom, Dad &
Ana Maria M.



Pamela,
What makes you
so genuine is
that all you do
and say comes
from your heart.



Your kindness,
thoughtfulness, and
generosity come so
naturally and effortlessly.

You're sure to succeed at achieving whatever
goals and aspirations you may have, and your

positive attitude and great
sense of humor will get you
through life's travails.



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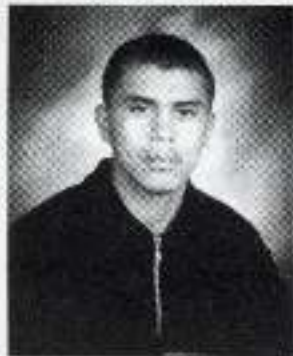
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Adam,
You have grown
to be a man we
are proud to call
our son. Follow
your dreams and
know that we will
always love and
support you. We

wish you all of God's blessings in
everything you do.





I hope my achievements
in life shall be these--
that I will have fought for
what was right and fair,
that I will have risked for
that which mattered,
that I will have given
help to those who were
in need... that I will have
left the earth a better
place for what I've done
and who I've been.

--C. Hoppe

May you feel pride in all
you are and find joy in all
you have yet to be.

Congratulations on your
graduation!

Thanks to everyone for a
wonderful year. Seniors,
we'll miss you.

Ms. Littman &
Ms. Hoisington



“

When I see a rose, I think of beauty and elegance because they are so delicate. When I see an owl, I think of intelligence and being wise. When I see a snake, I think of cunning, sly and bad things or people—unless I am holding one, then I think of cool things. When I see a lightning bolt, I think of mystery, scary and cold things. When I see an eagle, I think of cunning, sharp, and intelligent things. If I had to pick an animal that represented me the most, it would be the wolf because wolves are cunning, intelligent, brave, strong, fast, scared, liked by some, and not liked by others.

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Heath Taylor
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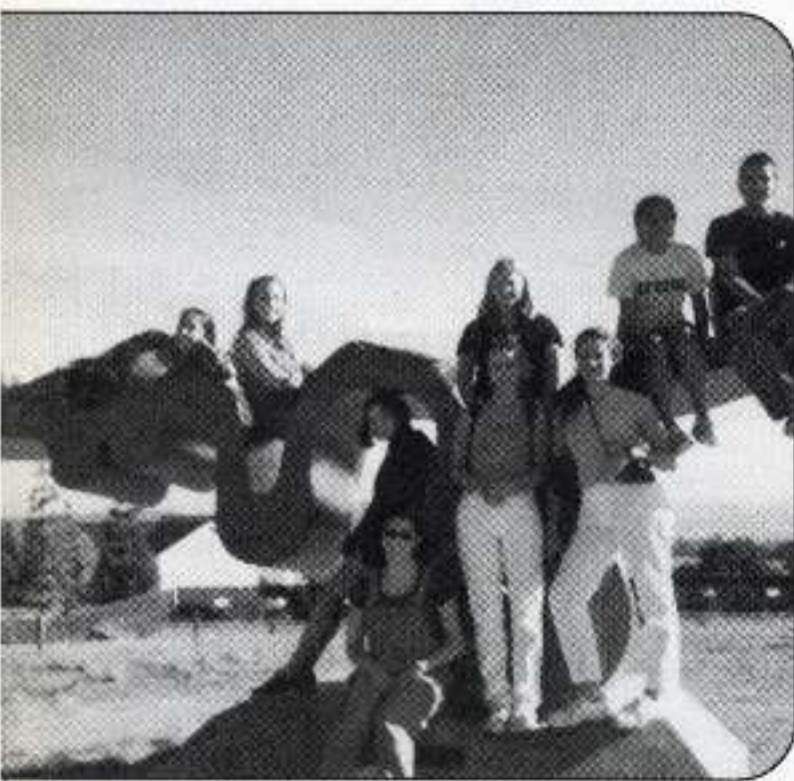
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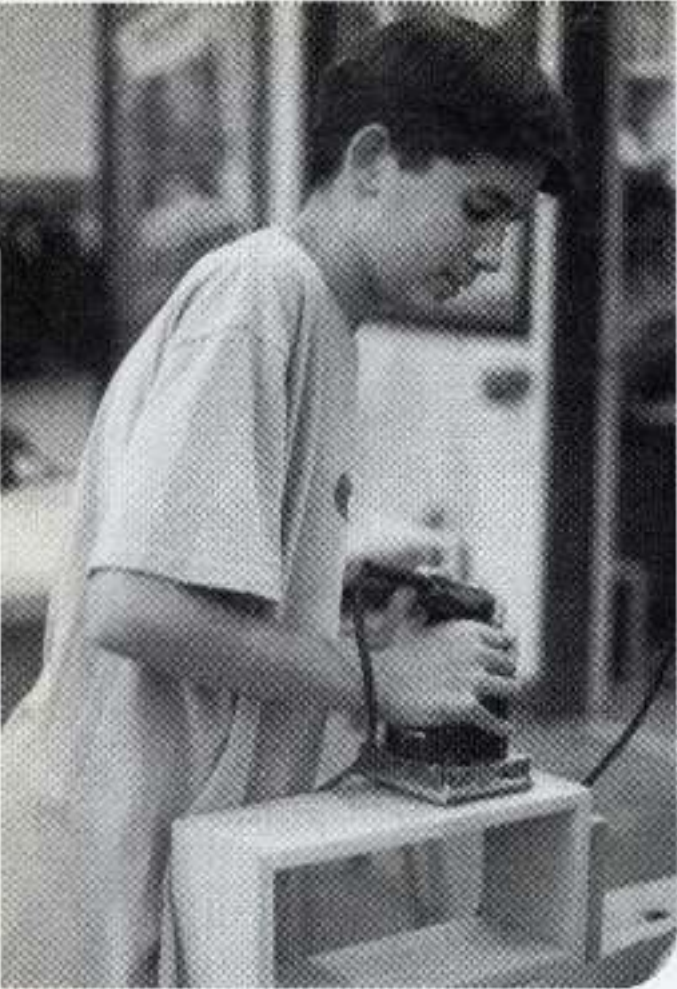
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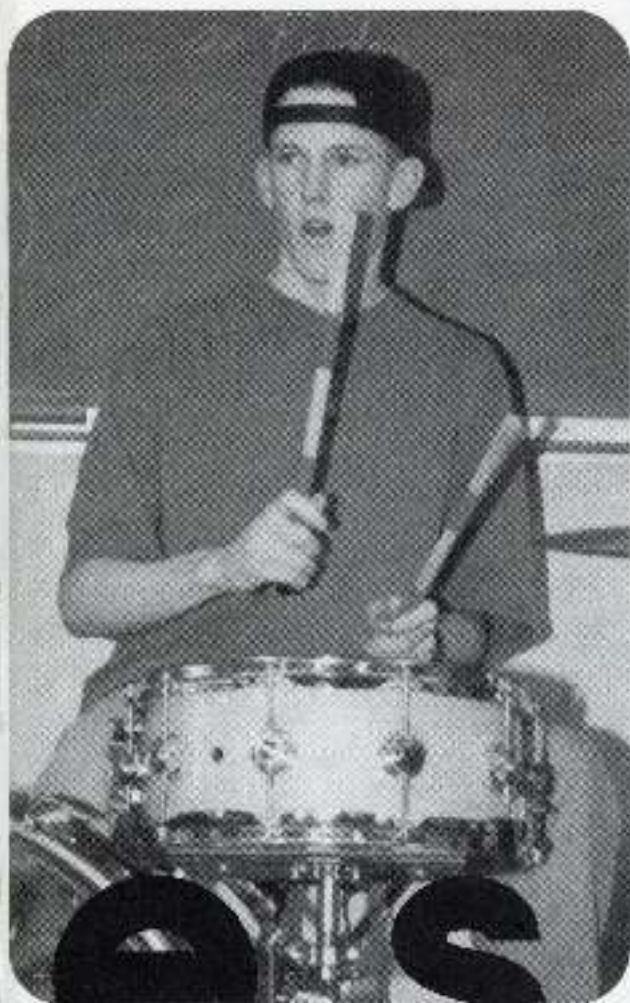
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