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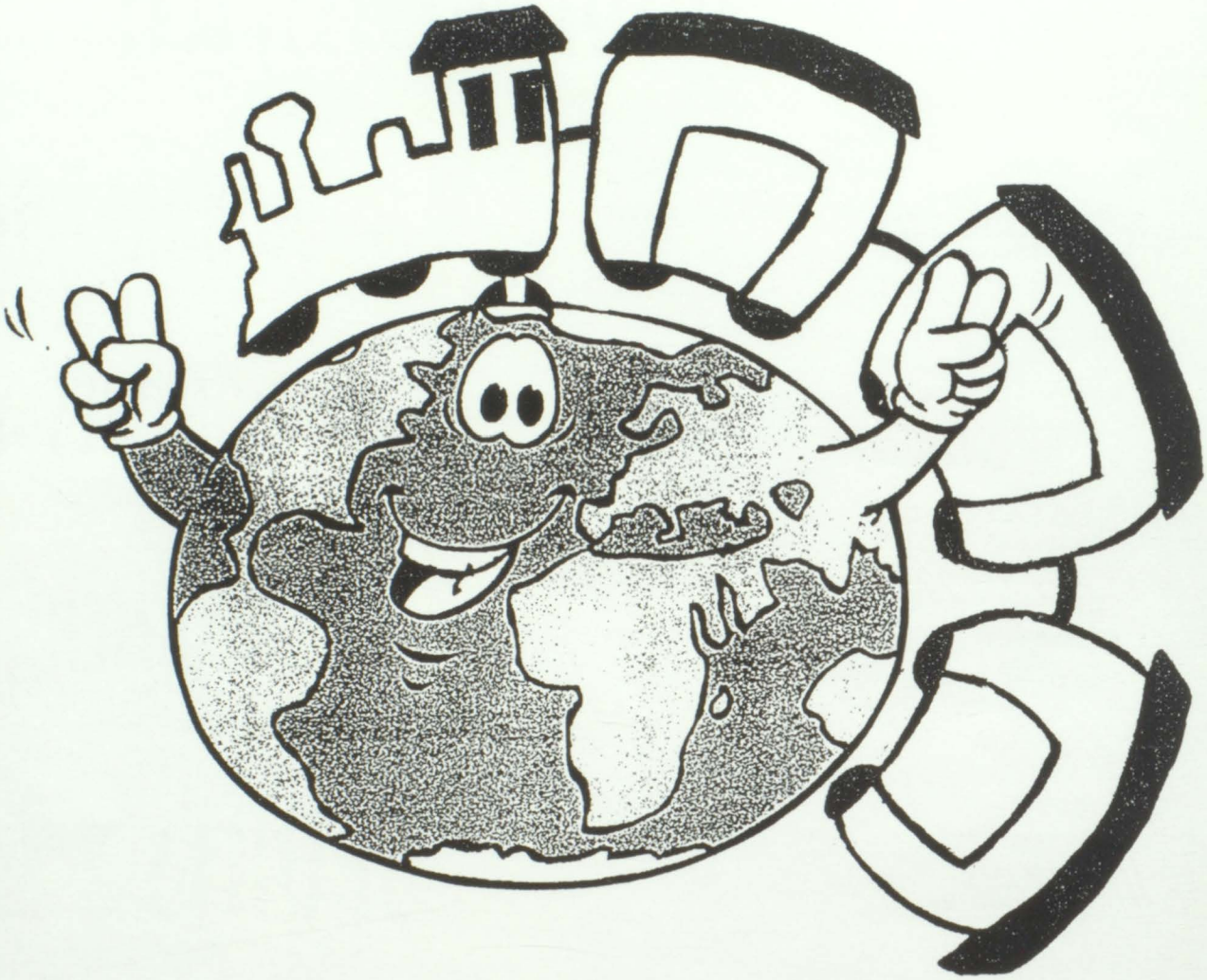


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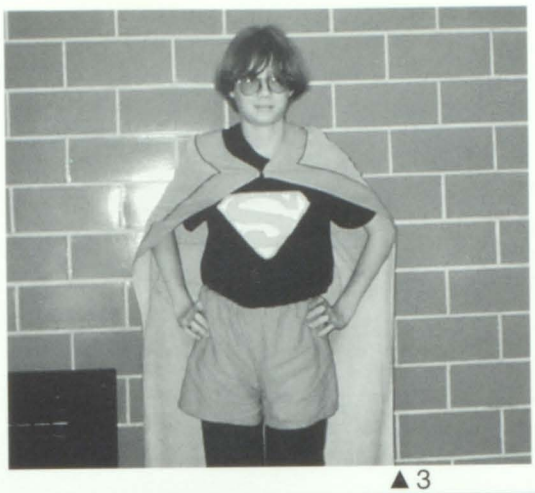




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1. Dan Cone, Glenn Strycker, Rick Lemberg, and Kathryn Rehling are ecstatic about being on the academic team. 2. Elizabeth Dull, Ryan Hoffman, Jim Baumgartner, and Abby Weiss, perform the forbidden dance. 3. It's a bird, a plane; no it's Fred Berger. 4. Foreign exchange students Dennis Bogdanov, Marcelo Azenha, Steffi Heymann, and Meg Tsukamoto pose with Chief Wawasee. 5. Fall play actors Meghann Stewart, Dan Glaser, Kelly Whitesel, and Rob Schlipf prepare for a wedding. 6. Brock Bales soars over Andy Napier and Chris Salyer. 7. Ya, we see you Luke Sawyer. 8. Ryan Hoffman decides not to smile.

Wawasee Students Go

Around The World In

185 Days

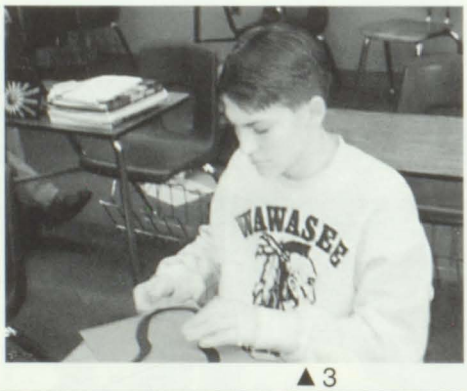
The state of Indiana required 185 days in a school year. At the end of those 185 days, Wawasee students felt as if they had been around the world. Students began the trip with homecoming which for a week at least took them into outer space with the theme Captain Planet. Closer to home, throughout the year students literally went beyond the walls of W.H.S. The drama club went to Chicago and New York; the art club and newspaper to Notre Dame; Spanish III, yearbook, and Key Club to Fort Wayne; FFA to Kansas City and Denver, Colorado; German students and DECA to South Bend; AP history to Detroit; the seniors to Cedar Point after prom; and the music students to competitions in Elkhart and Indianapolis, to name a few. Who said students did nothing but sit in class? Everyone stayed home for two days at the start of the second semester due to snow. These days had to be made up second semester on Presidents' Day and June 2. We had to get in those 185 days! For those not so fortunate to travel outside the building, the days were filled with classes, LRC, classes, lunch, classes, study hall, and more classes.



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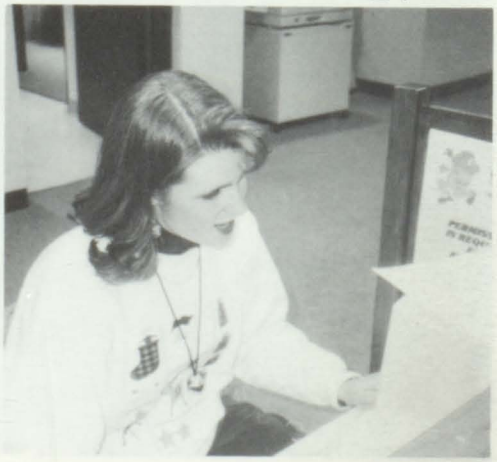
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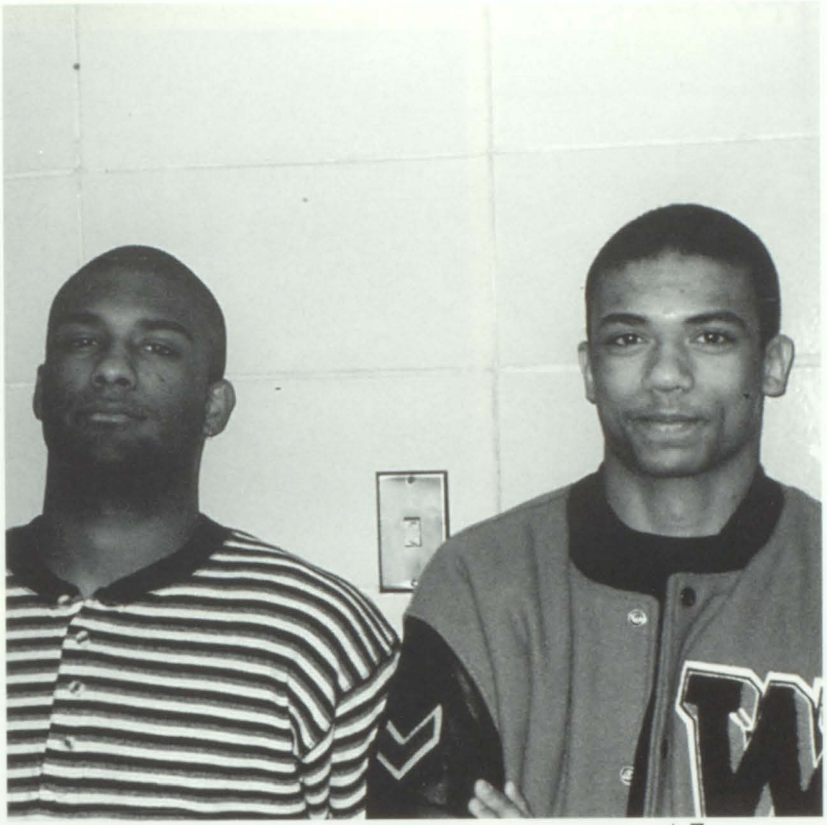
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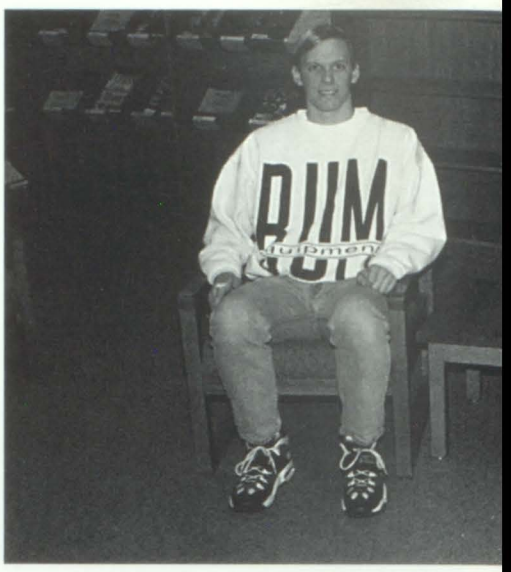


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1. Ben Plikerd works overtime for the morning announcements. 2. Rich Green shows off his basketball skills in gym class. 3. Travis Coy works on his invitation to the respect party in his Spanish class. 4. Mr. Aalbregtse works hard on trying to get some grades into his computer. 5. Matt Coy, Scott White, and Ben Heimann are just relaxing in the surge area. 6. Mrs. Miller really enjoys working on the computer in the LRC. 7. Shawn Belin and Jason Carr hang out when they should be studying. 8. Mrs. Olszewski helps Jason Glover on the computer. 9. Niko Ioannou cooks fudge in Mrs. Leach's class. 10. Derek Eby works on a lathe in metals.

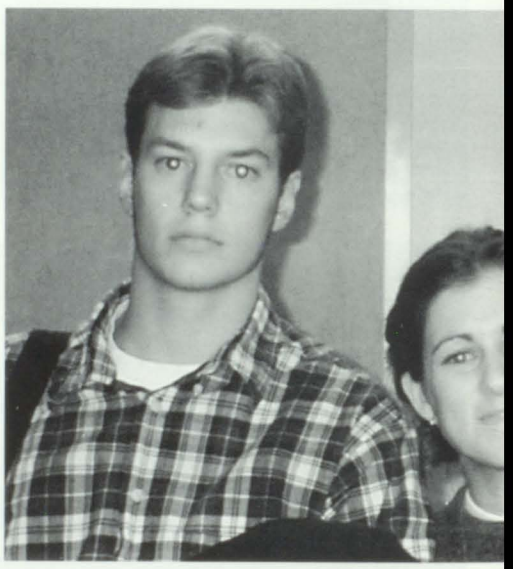
ACADEMIC TEAM

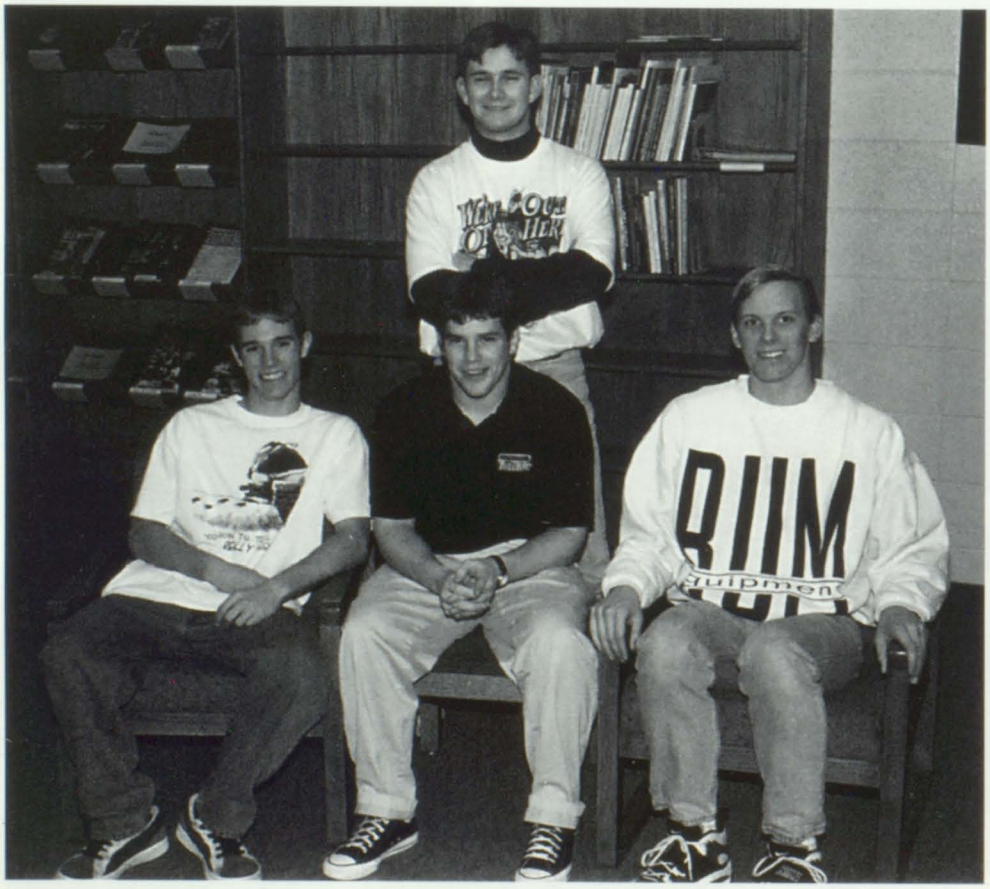
THE FAR EAST



The academic teams studied the Far East all second semester. They then competed at Concord High School in an invitational on March 20 and at regionals on April 14. There were six teams that competed. They were fine arts, English, social studies, math, science, and interdisciplinary. Stef Tarner, a first year competitor, commented, "I joined because I thought it would be fun and would help me for college."

Besides the official academic teams, there were small groups called study groups. Members of these groups gave additional information to the people on the teams since they may not have had time to study all necessary material. Coaches were Mrs. Martin for math; Mrs. Lant, English; Mrs. Dubach, foreign language; Mr. Hite, science; and Mrs. Hursh, social studies.

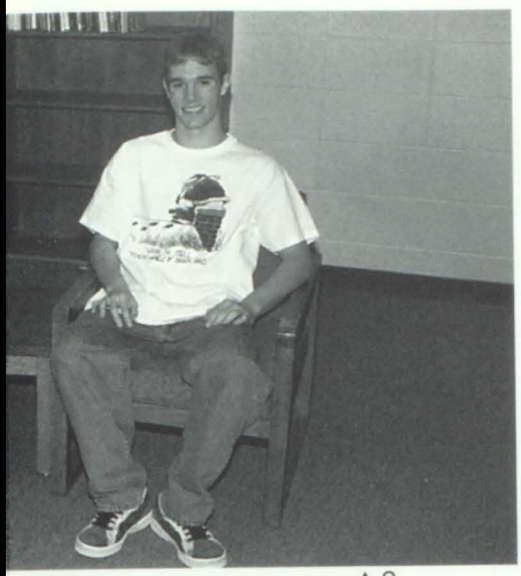




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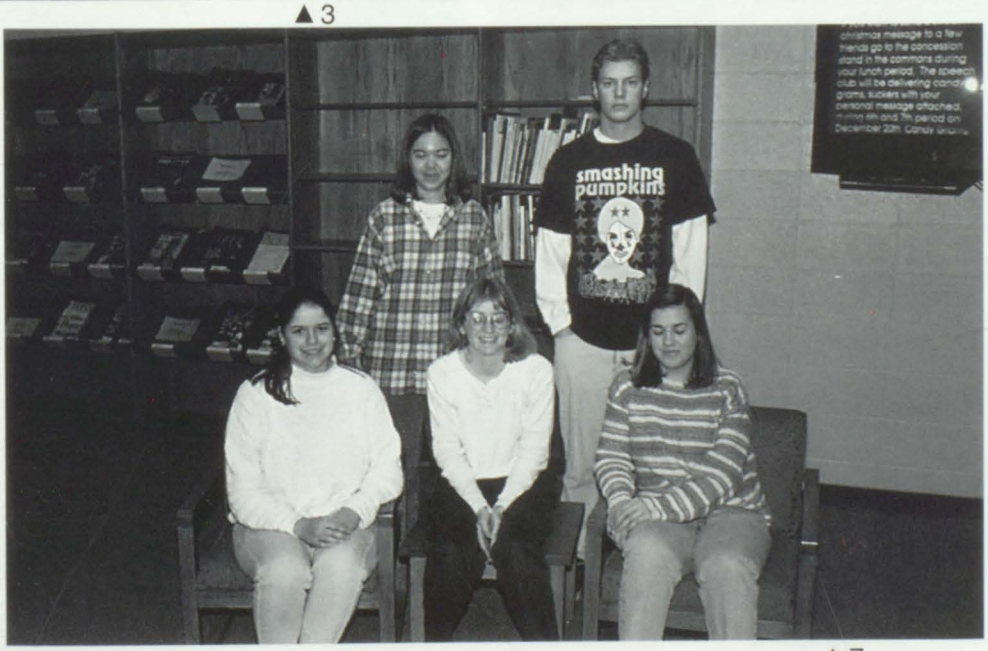
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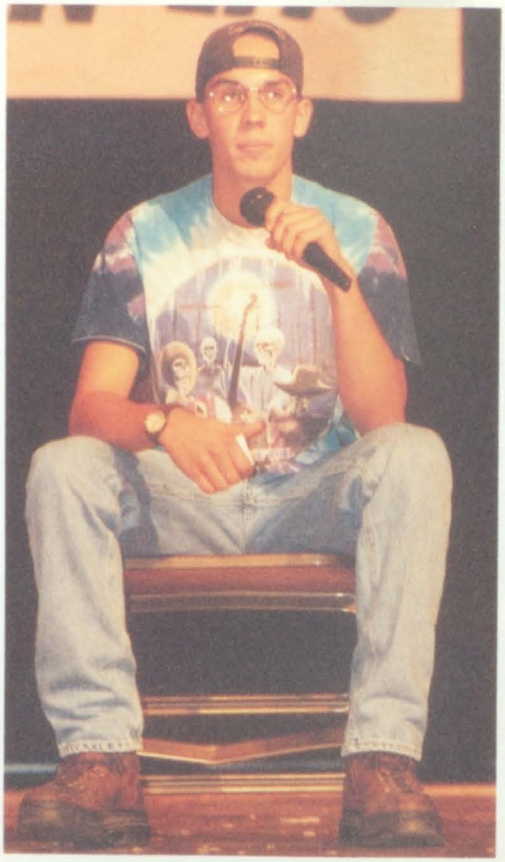
1. Math team members are seated: Joe Baumgartner, Neal Beer, Rusty VanLue; standing: Ric Speakman. 2. Science team members are Rusty VanLue and Joe Baumgartner. 3. John Hursh, Stefanie Tarner, and Ric Speakman practice for a meet. 4. Mark Haab and Chris Sahagun discuss strategy with Mrs. Lant. 5. Fine arts team members are Dan Cone, Joe Baumgartner, and Kathryn Rehling. 6. Social Science team members are seated: Dan Cone, Rick Lemberg, Mark Haab; standing: Danielle Smith, and Brenda Wong. 7. English team members are seated: Stefanie Best, Kristi Brandon, Liz Rehling; standing: Stephanie Wong, John Hursh.

Battle Between Classes

Homecoming

Captain Planet

Homecoming '96 was centered around the theme of Captain Planet. The freshmen were wind; sophomores, water; juniors, earth; and seniors, fire. On Monday each grade level prepared for competition, and murals went up Tuesday morning. Spirit days during the week included hero day, get up and go day, and color day. Wednesday night each grade level performed its skit at the talent show. All proceeds from the show and the penny pitch jar went to senior Nick Hostetler for medical bills. Thursday night the junior ladies won the powder puff game. Seniors came out on top at the fall fling on Friday afternoon. During half time of the football game, Heather Lamb and Matt Stump were crowned homecoming king and queen. WHS was defeated by Warsaw in the last minutes of the game 13-16.



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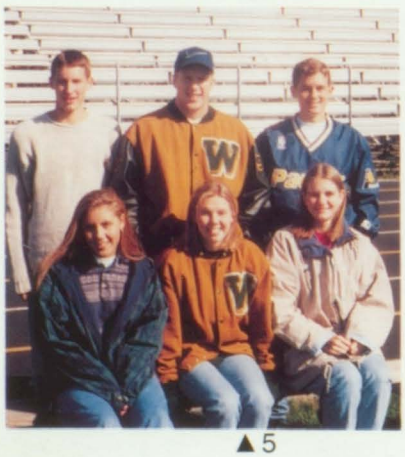
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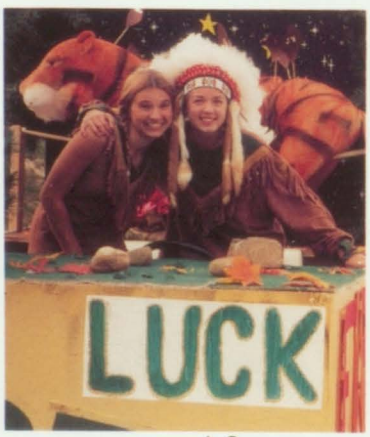
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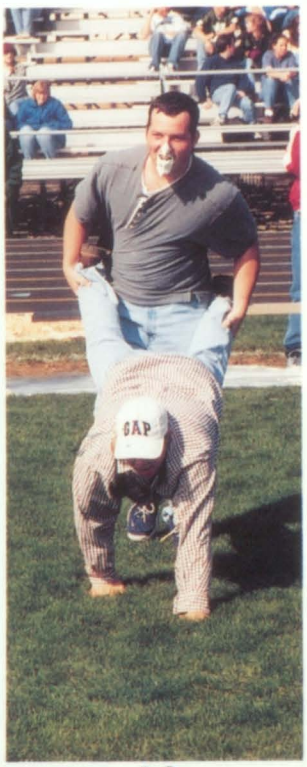
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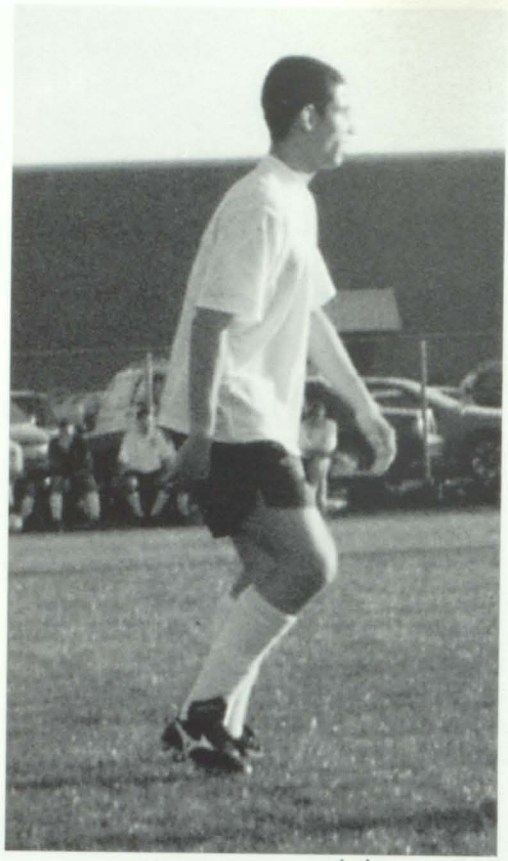
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1. John Kern performs at the talent show. 2. Homecoming royalty are Matt Stump and Heather Lamb. 3. Class competition continues in ultimate frisbee. 4. Senior Julie Glon puts her spirit to the test. 5. The underclassman court is row 1: Becky Neterer, Kari Wortinger, and Amy Gallmeier; row 2: Jeff Merchant, Luke Matz, and J.D. Lane. 6. Stacey Kraft and Jenny Szynal prepare for the parade. 7. Tresa Hodgson works on the freshman mural. 8. The Senior powder puff team is ready to rumble. Members are row 1: R. Speakman, and S. Johnson; row 2: R. Mikel, A. Hoover, T. Prather, S. Kraft; row 3: J. Garber, C. Beer, L. Kaiser, J. Brown; row 4: K. Sigler, B. Richcreek, T. Miller, A. Weiss, S. Nethaway, H. Lamb, J. Szynal, E. Simonds, J. Dailey, and J. Tudor. 9. J. R. Wood and Karen Shipley participate in the wheelbarrow race. 10. Homecoming court is right: Elizabeth Cole, and Ryan Moore; seated: Heather Morgan, Alysha Aalbregtse; back: Chad Fisher, Luke Sawyer, Heather Lamb, Matt Stump. 11. Kari Wortinger and Karen Shipley take time out from powder puff. 12. Sophomores struggle to win the tug of war.

AROUND THE WORLD

FOREIGN STUDENTS

LAND IN U.S.A.



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Five foreign exchange students made their way around the world to Wawasee. They came from Ecuador, Brazil, Japan, Germany, and Russia. Most said the major difference was the school system. While staying in America they involved themselves in soccer, swimming, and drama club. Marcelo Azenha even received the outstanding offensive award in soccer. The students had a great time making new friends and enjoying American ice cream. Valeria commented on how she loved the variety of personalities that she found here at Wawasee. By coming to America for a year, the students got the chance to learn more about our English language and culture. All agreed that America was a great place to be! The students took home many memories of their stay at Wawasee High School.





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1. Marcelo Azenha takes his experience from Brazil and plays soccer on the varsity team. 2. The 1996-97 foreign exchange students are row 1: Marcelo Azenha and Denis Bogdanov; row 2: Meg Tsukamoto, Val Coronel, and Steffi Heymann.



Valeria Coronel, 18, is from Ecuador and is staying with Mark and Sue Klaussen. She enjoys dancing, listening to music, being with friends and the variety of personalities in America. The fascinating landscape of Ecuador is what she misses most.



Up from Brazil is Marcelo Azenha, 16. He is staying with Paul and Martha Stoelting. Marcelo stays in shape by playing soccer and swimming. He someday hopes to swim in the Olympics. He also feels America has too many rules and laws.



Megumi "Meg" Tsukamoto, 18, is here from Japan and is staying with Gary and Pam Pletcher. She enjoys dancing and swimming. Meg likes the funny, friendly people here in a America. Meg would like to be a stewardess someday.



Over from Germany is Steffi Heymann, 16. She is staying with Rhoda Goad. Steffi misses the noisy, crowded streets of Berlin. She enjoys playing the piano, guitar, and singing. Steffi dislikes all the prejudices in America.



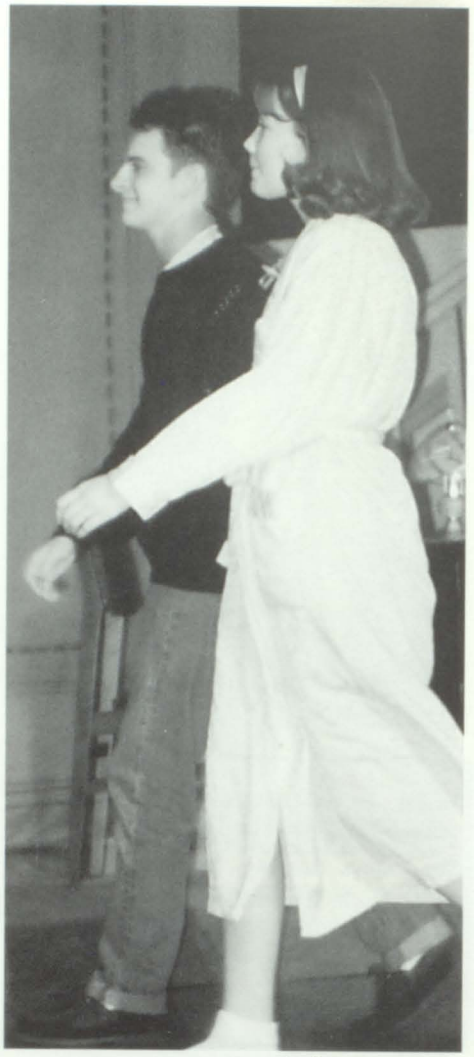
Denis Bogdanov, 15, visits us from Russia. He is staying with Roger and Vicki Karns. He came to America to learn more about our culture and language. He misses his family, friends, and his dog. Denis likes our American ice cream and cars.

Here Comes the Bride

Fall Play

Crowd Pleaser

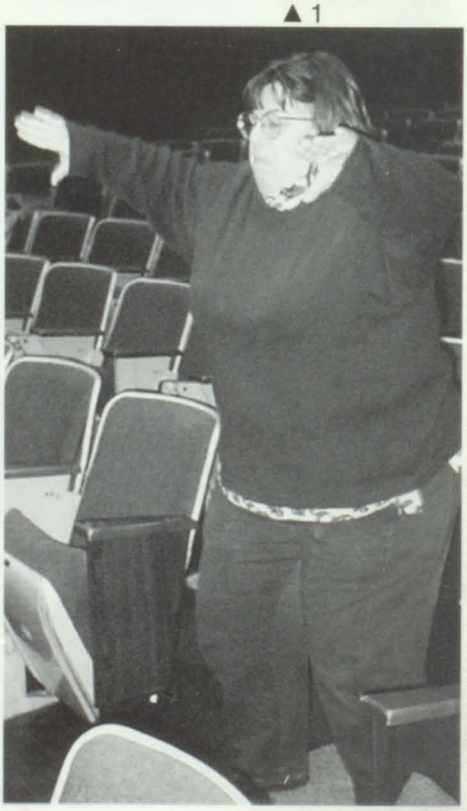
The 1996 fall play *Father of the Bride* was a big crowd pleaser. This play was similar to the '90's movie *Father of the Bride*, but the '50's version. It all began when Kay Banks (Kelly Whitesel) informed her parents of her engagement to Buckley Dunstan (Dan Glaser). Like any wedding there were big plans to be made and not a lot of time to do it in. Problems arose when Mr. Banks (Ryan Hoffman) began to realize the amount of money the wedding was going to cost him. The play was about what happened during the plans for the wedding and the mishaps that occurred. It was a night full of laughs! After the big production was a reception for the audience to attend. Punch and wedding cake were served while playgoers congratulated the new couple on their happy event. The play was a big success both nights, November 22 and 23.



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Cast List

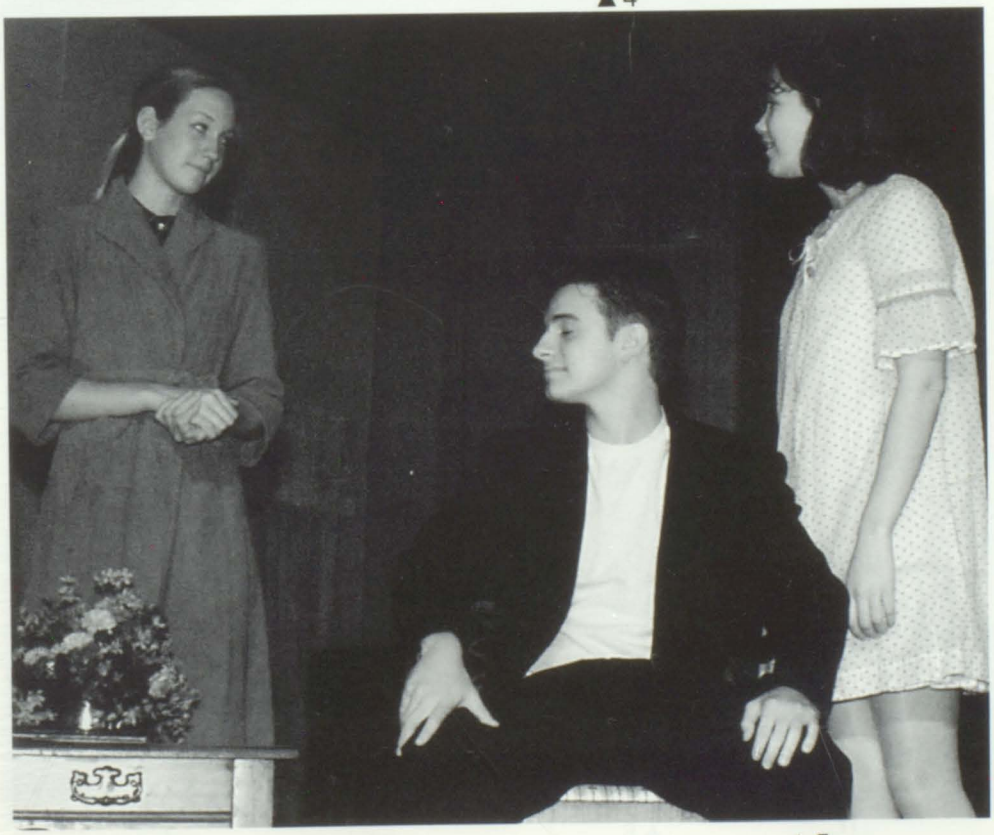
Mr. Stanley Banks.....Ryan Hoffman
Mrs. Stanley Banks.....Meghann Stewart
Kay Banks.....Kelly Whitesel
Buckley Dunstan.....Dan Glaser
Ben Banks.....Jim Baumgartner
Tommy Banks.....Rob Schlipf
Peggy Swift.....Elizabeth Dull
Delilah.....Abby Weiss
Miss Bellamy.....Anka Mulder
Mr. Masula.....Cliff Schwartz
Miss Pulinski.....Sara LeCount
Buzz.....Seth Scantlen
Joe.....Joe Baumgartner
Tim's Woman.....Corrie Whitesel

Extras

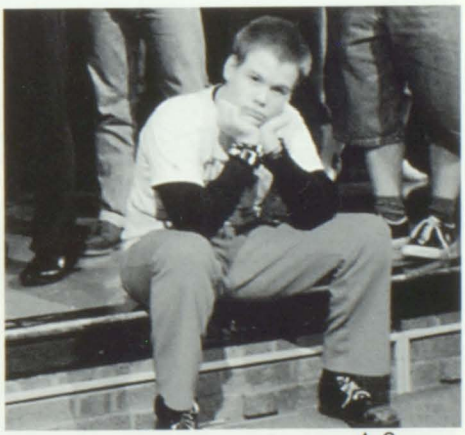
Jane Wamsley
Megan King
Steffi Heymann
Lindsay Schwartz

Directors

Miss Wooldridge
Miss Retter
Mrs. Thornburg

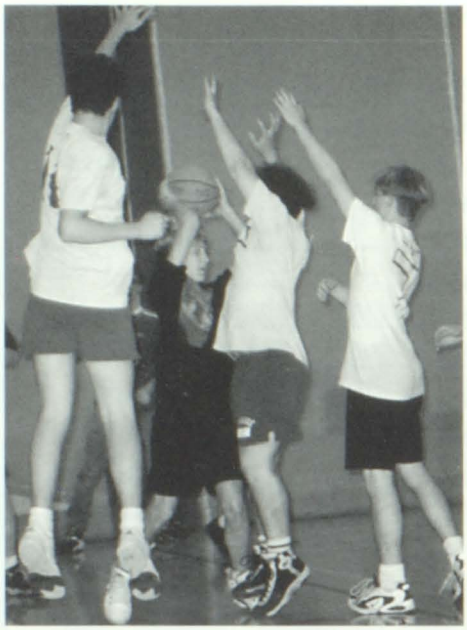


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1. Dan Glaser and Kelly Whitesel walk arm and arm on stage. 2. Hey, Mr. Banks, are you having an affair with the maid? 3. Mrs. Thornburg is showing her cool new dance moves. 4. Elizabeth Dull and Seth Scantlen take a break after a tense play practice. 5. Meghann Stewart, Dan Glaser, and Kelly Whitesel are acting with perfection. 6. Seth Scantlen, what's wrong, honey?



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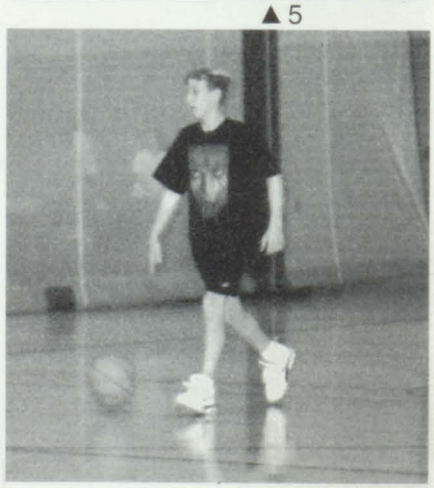
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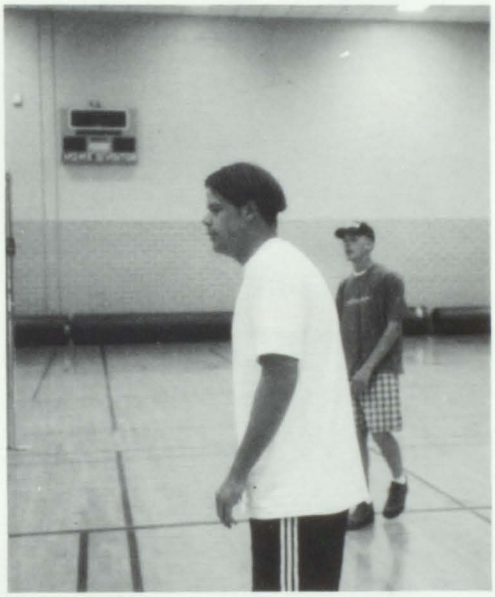
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INTRAMURALS

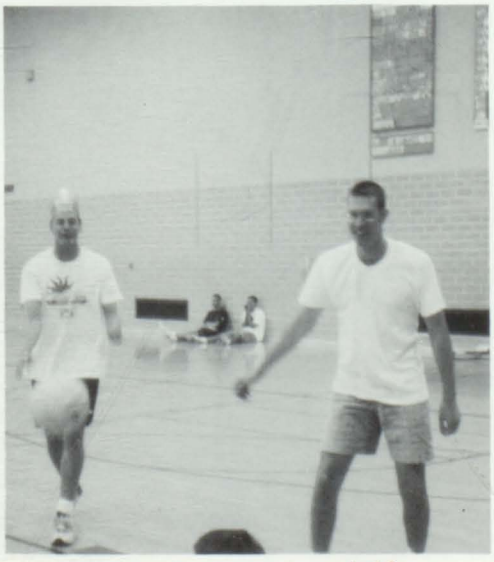
FUN FOR ALL



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Intramural basketball was a little different from previous years. Martin Casey, who had helped Mr. Murphy for several years with intramurals, was put in charge of the intramural program. Basketball started at the end of November and the tournament was in the middle of February. Gorilla Warfare was one out of two teams who played in the championship game. The team members were Scott Ousley, Farhan Haq, Ryan Perzanowski, Brad Andrews, Jon Flees, Nikko Ioannou, Quyen Tran, and John Fussle. The team they played against was Anemia. The team members included: Andy Cole, Brad Hursh, Andrew Thornburg, John Glon, Luke Baker, Rob Byrd, and Jim Baumgartner. Gorilla Warfare narrowly won the championship by only two points. Intramural volleyball was a let down compared to previous years. There were only six teams compared to the usual 12 or 13 teams. Their first game was on Thursday, April 24. This game was played just for fun and no scores were kept. However, after the first game there was a scorekeeper to keep track of scores. The tournament was set for Thursday, May 22. The six teams that participated in the volleyball intramurals were Skins, Martha Stewart's Weekend Warriors, Internal Organs, Carpet Munchers, Dandruff, and Planet People.



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1. Derrick Eby looks to pass while being blocked by Ben Neff, Josh Fisher, and Jason Lewallen. 2. Rob Pinney is going for the slam dunk while his teammates John Hursh, Brock Manning, and Jason Weaver look on to see what happens. 3. If there is one thing Jason Weaver can do, it is finger roll. 4. Jason VanderReyden and Todd Lovellette are hustling on the court. 5. Rob Pinney pulls back for a free throw. 6. Brock Bales prepares to make yet another free throw for his team "The Bait Shop Boys." 7. Derrick Eby looks more than enthused to be out on the court. 8. Kari Beer gets ready to serve up one of her powerful serves. 9. Brad Botts and Nate Scherer get pumped up before their volleyball game. 10. John Hursh and Jeff Nelson give us their infamous impressions of robots. 11. Jamie Lemon and Sam Collins have unusual volleyball stances.

BABES IN ARMS

SPRING PLAY

LOVERS' KNOT

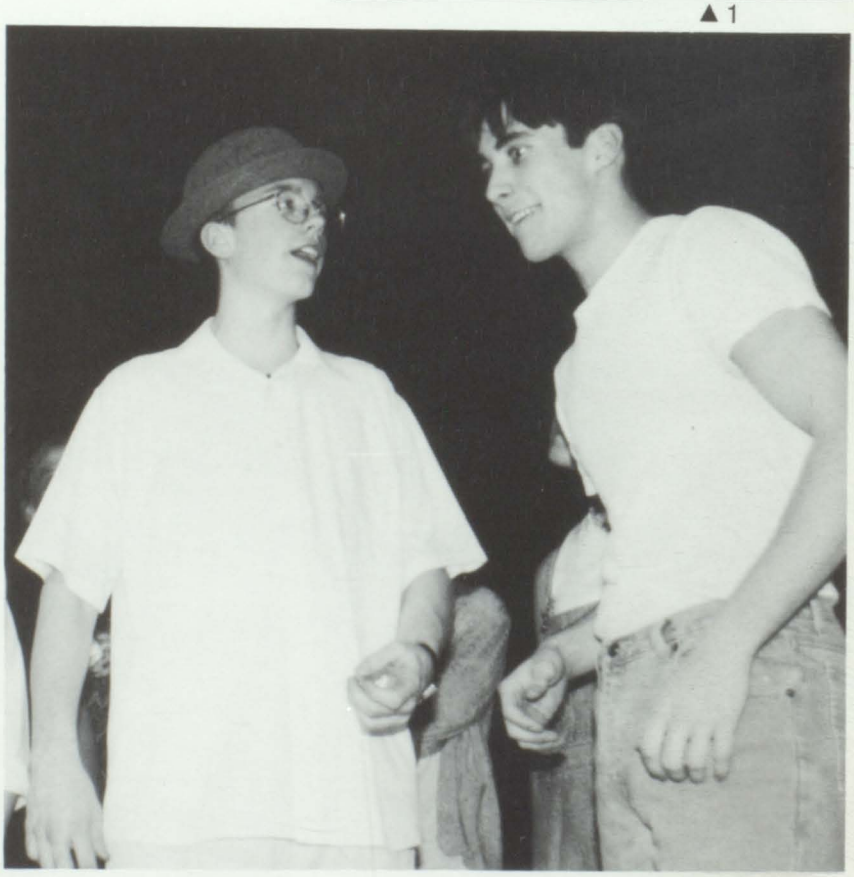
The spring musical, performed on March 21 and 22, was *Babes in Arms*. It was a comical romance starring Pat McCauley, Lindsay Kaiser, and Abby Weiss. Pat played the role of Valentine White, who was a playwright and actor. He and Susie (Lindsay) acted together in a big name play that they both considered lousy. The famous actress, Jennifer (Abby), also performed in the play to give it the pizazz that it lacked. Valentine, however, had written a superior play that the cast wished to perform for a big time producer. Valentine then became entangled in a love knot between Susie and Jennifer. Director Cyndi Thornburg commented she chose the play because, "It had the energy of YOUTH--exactly what I work with every day!" The assistant directors, Kristen Wooldridge, Tom Beckett, and Joyce DuBach, also helped create a wonderful show. Each participant in the musical spent hours memorizing lines, learning songs, and perfecting dance steps. Their combined efforts resulted in an outstanding show.



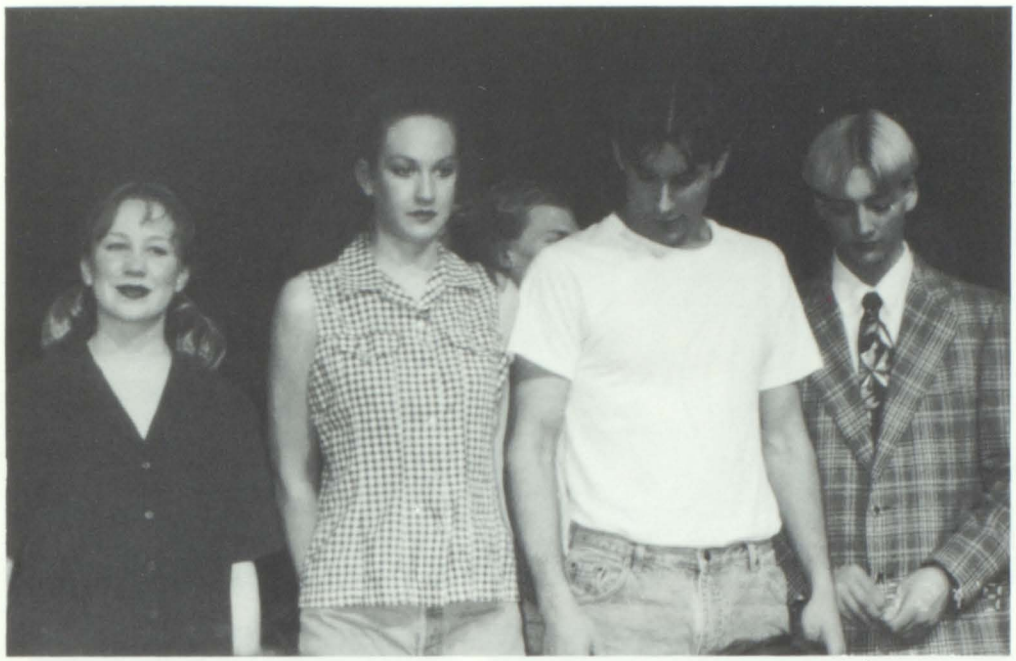
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1. Joe Baumgartner, who portrays playwright Lee Calhoun, slyly sneaks across the stage. 2. Kelly Whitesel plays the role of stage mother Phyllis Owen. 3. Pat McCauley and Chris Boyts take center stage. 4. Lindsay Kaiser, Meghann Stewart, Chris Boyts, and Jeremy Reynolds take a bow after their performance. 5. Lindsay Kaiser gets into her character before going onto the stage. 6. Casey Burnworth, Joe Baumgartner, and Meghann Stewart are excited about the big show. 7. Abby Weiss enjoys her role as a glamorous movie star. 8. Lindsay Schwartz, Sarah Schwartz, and Brenda Wong moonlight as Charlie's Angels.

Academics





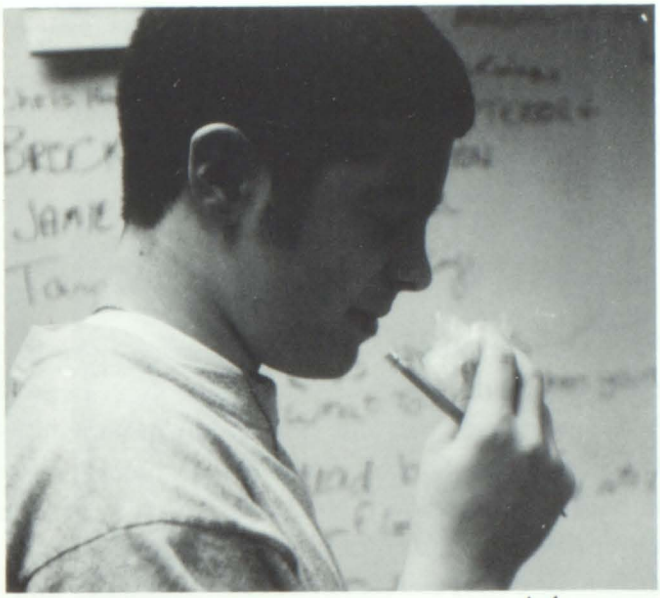
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1. Faculty cheerleaders show their school spirit at the Hoop Team 16 game. 2. Mandy Perzanowski looks a bit foolish. 3. Mr. Clark is ready to shoot for the Warriors. 4. Paul Gilliam, what are you smelling? 5. Miss Swartzentruber helps Danielle Hickman during English. 6. Pretty balloons for Valentine's Day were gathered in the surge area. 7. Jeremiah Thompson acts out *Canterbury Tales*. 8. Anthony Elliott, Traci Hughes, and Josh Fisher entertain the crowd.

Out With The Old

Administration

In With The New

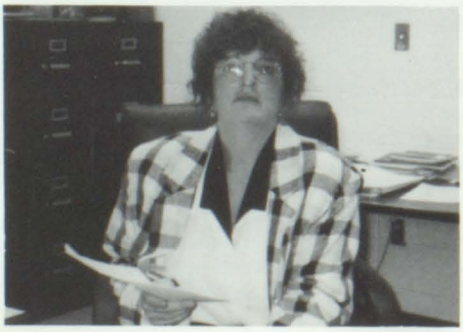
The administration underwent many position changes. Mr. Frank, principal, was not new to Wawasee High School; however, he held a new position. Mr. Matz, vice principal, and Mrs. Hurley, athletic director, were both added to the Wawasee administration. Mr. Frank, when asked his feelings about being principal at Wawasee, responded very positively. He stated, "Never in my wildest dreams did I think I would ever be responsible for such a big and wonderful place." He was also quick to point out that he had not done it alone, and he was appreciative of everyone's help. Mr. Matz said that he enjoyed contributing to WHS. When there were new items in the school, such as the new letter stamping machine, Mr. Matz was the one to thank. Contrary to popular belief, this was not the first time Mr. Matz worked at Wawasee. Fifteen years ago he also contributed to the learning by being an industrial education teacher. Mrs. Hurley was enjoying her job here thoroughly. She was Warsaw's assistant athletic director for many years before she came here, and she said she was ready for a new challenge. She felt all sports teams and athletes should be treated equally. She, along with Mr. Frank, Mr. Matz and Mr. Mitz, was seen at various sporting events throughout the year. She focused on participation and group effort, not winning. "We are going to work together to make Wawasee a better place," commented Mrs. Hurley, referring to all the administrators. Mr. Mitz was the fourth member of the administrative team. He tried to reduce crime at Wawasee by continuing with the Crime Stoppers program. He also assisted in getting rid of Saturday school. He had worked here for four years and contributed to the well-being of the Wawasee student body. All of the administrators worked hard to make Wawasee a better place.



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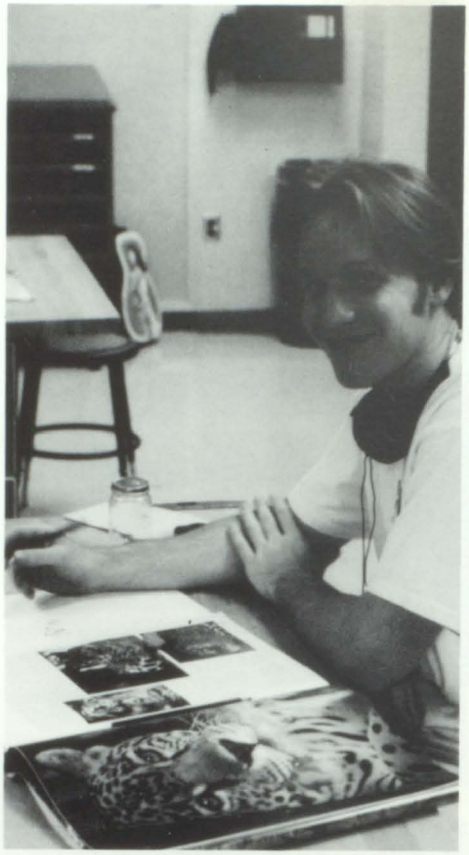
1. Mrs. Hurley utilizes her copy machine. 2. Mr. Frank confers with a community member. 3. Mrs. Hurley is interrupted. 4. Mr. Frank acquires some chemistry tips from Mr. Kitson. 5. Mr. Matz takes a break. 6. Mr. Frank referees the Hoop Team 16 game. 7. Mr. Matz is searching for a paper his desk. 8. Mr. Frank is always willing to talk to students. 9. Mrs. Hurley spends a great deal of time on the phone arranging athletic details. 10. Members of the administration are Mr. Mitz, Mr. Frank, Mr. Matz and Mrs. Hurley.

COLOR YOUR WORLD

ART DEPARTMENT

BRIGHTENS UP

There were many different classes that were available in the art department, ranging from drawing to photograghy. The classes offered varied in levels of difficulty. There were basic classes, which had to be taken first, and then students moved on to advanced art. The art department duo was temporarily altered this year due to Mrs. Bryan having surgery. In her place, along with Mr. Johnson, was Mrs. Glon, as substitute, offering her art talents. The students worked very hard up into the spring where they then showed their pictures in the school's annual art show. A "Best of Show" picture was selected to hang in the hallway by the auditorium along with the name of the artist and title. Once again the commercial design class submitted cover designs for the '97 yearbook, with Beth Richcreek's being selected.



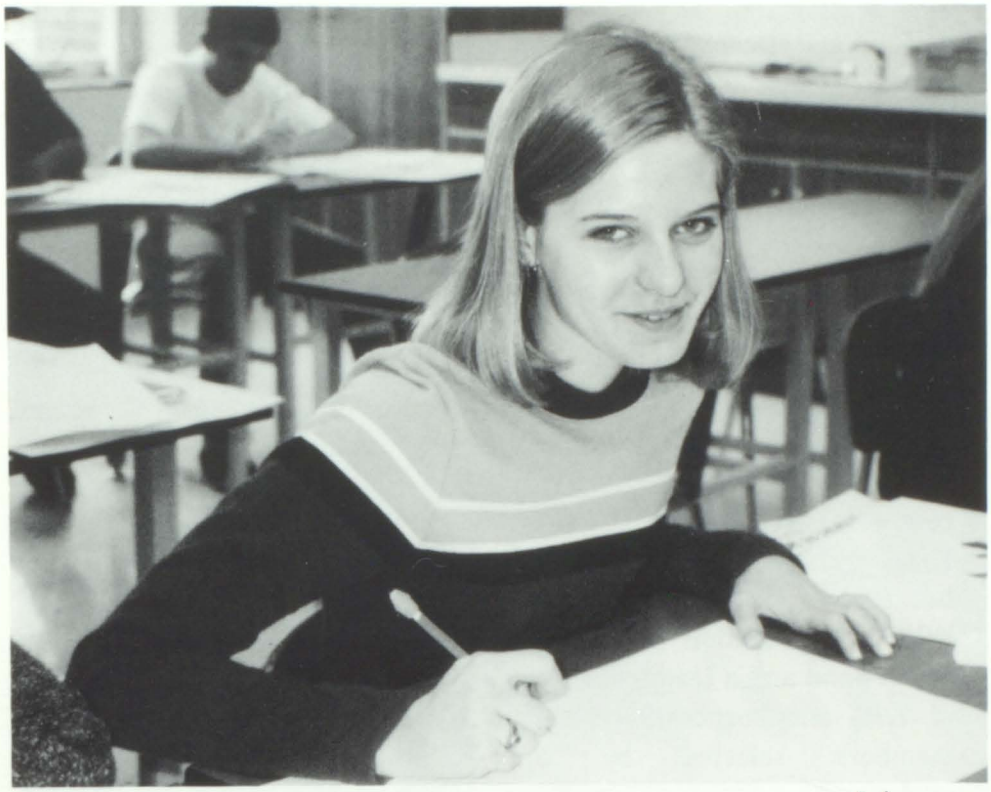
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1. Casey Burnworth takes a break from his work. 2. Mrs. Bryan is very happy about teaching art. 3. The art teachers are Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Glon, as substitute. 4. Elizabeth Dull loves to draw in Mr. Johnson's class. 5. Seth Scantlen seems to really enjoy watercolors. 6. Sara Rockenbaugh studies hard for photography class. 7. Stefanie Tarner sketches her picture before using the paint. 8. What is Ryan Wert looking at? 9. Jaxon Swain discusses the meaning of art to the class.

Full of Air

Wawasee Band

Keeps Tootin'

Carmen was the theme for the Marching Warrior Prides' competition show. The theme *Carmen* was adopted from the tradition of Spanish bullfighting. It featured flute soloist Robyn Elliot. Mr. Clark commented that the band was "quite successful" moving up to tenth in regional competition from sixteenth last year. They obtained a first division rating at regional, their first ever such rating. The band was fortunate enough to perform at a competition at Concord in the fog and at the R.C.A. Dome in Indianapolis during "The Bands of America" Grand National competition. The marchers received new uniforms as well. They also sponsored the basketball game between the WNDU T.V. station team from South Bend and a team composed of WHS and corporation faculty members selected by the students.



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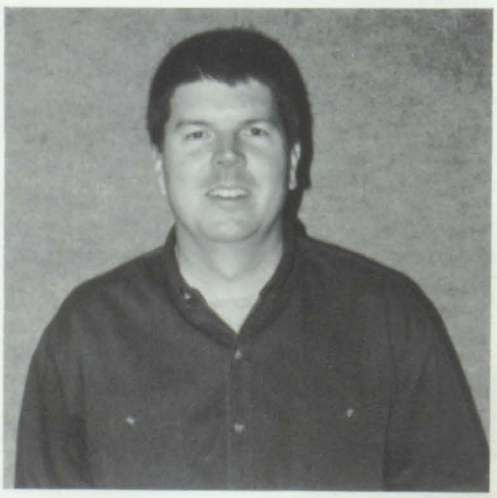
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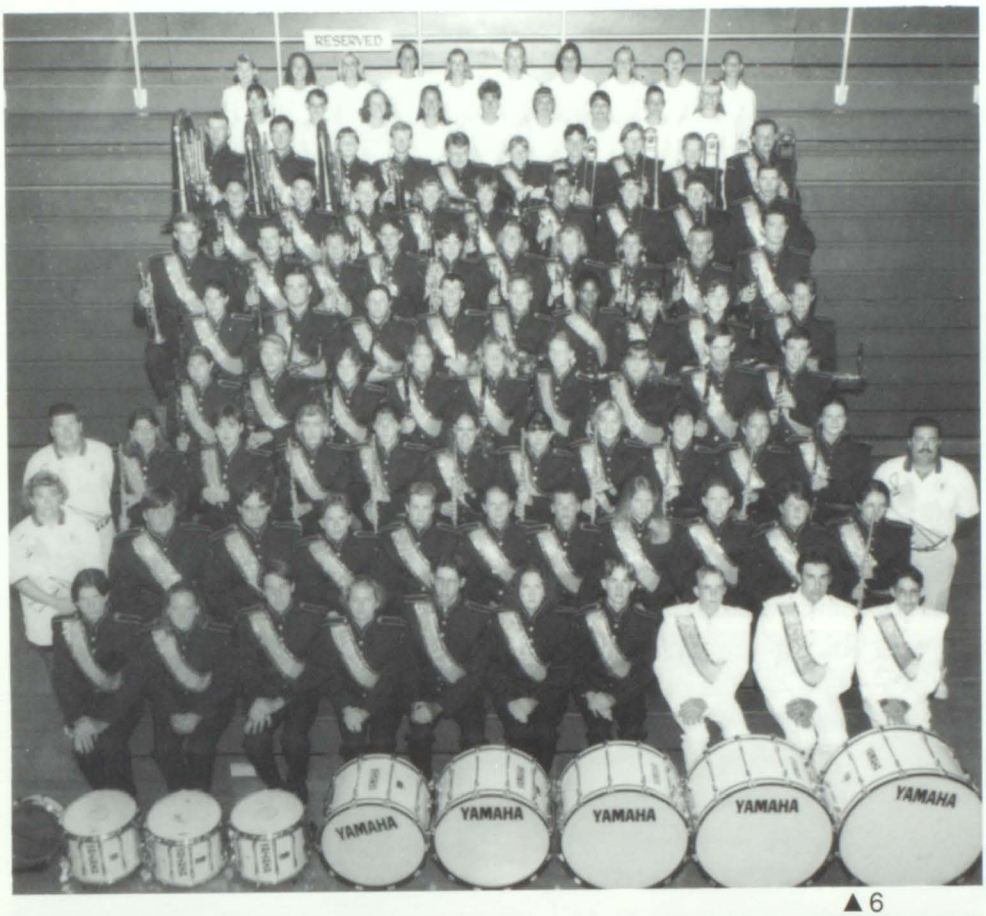
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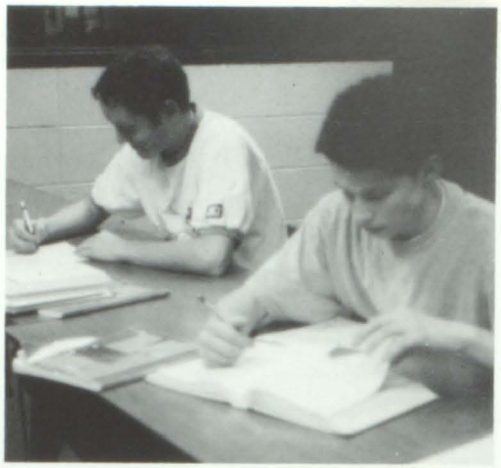
1. Taia Pletcher is poised on the bells during a performance. 2. Members of the color guard are row 1: Sunshine Popenfoose, Tabatha King, Krissy Kuhn, and Charlene Murphy; row 2: Andrea Chupp, Jessica Weaver, Carly Janacek, Melissa Sparks, and Dani Dunithan; row 3: Melissa Meyrink, Cheri Elkins, Renee Elliott, Vanessa Amburgy, and Tracy Tom; row 4: Tamara Miller, Katie Richardson, and Tiffany Ley. 3. Chauncey Wiggs, Jacob Mikolajczak, Rachel Spiegel, and Ryan Means play the drums during the WNDU/ faculty game. 4. Drum majors are Chris Boyts, Pat McCauley, and Ryan Yoder. 5. Mr. Clark is the band director. 6. Members of the marching band are row 1: Drew Halsey, Traci Hughes, Ben Ashpole, Taia Pletcher, Chris Cunningham, Brandy Linville, Brandon Boyts, Pat McCauley, Chris Boyts, and Ryan Yoder; row 2: Teresa Sinbeck, Adam Gunkel, Josh Fisher, Cameron Beer, Anthony Elliot, Chauncey Wiggs, Jacob Mikolajczak, Rachel Spiegel, Ryan Means, Josh Gunkel, and Bob Myers; row 3: Mr. Clark, Heather Kirkwood, Faith White, Olga Panchenko, Heather Ruch, Robyn Elliot, Margaret Baumgartner, Sarah Losee, Carrie Walton, Becky Patterson, Danielle Smith; row 4: Tara Niles, Amii Bischoff, Erica Bowser, Gennie Brissette, Viki Hunziker, Rebecca Thompson, Rosie Butler, Travis Miller, and Scott Bryan; row 5: Katie McCauley, J.C. Wogomon, Latisha Powell, Glenn Strycker, Matt Heincker, Shyla Belin, Jenny Gunden, Nicole Reynolds, Cliff Schwartz; row 6: Ken Lawrance, Bob Phillips, Julie Blakesly, Angela Kime, Adam England, Kara Price, Sarah Newman, Coleen Hickey, Matt Patterson, and Nick Scribner; row 7: Josh Nicholl, Paul Dodds, Jeremiah Nicholl, Kim Reuter, Evelyn Boesenberg, Dusty Lytle, Katie Brown, Candace Beer, Randy Watts; row 8: Eric Hollopeter, Charles Doss, Roz Chamberlin, Mike Wheat, Aaron Allen, Kristi Brandon, Jeremy Guy, Matt Linville, Chris Becker, John Pearson; row 9: Melissa Meyrink, Dani Dunithan, Katy Richardson, Tamara Miller, Cheri Elkins, Jessica Weaver, Andrea Chupp, Sunshine Pooenfoose, Renee Elliot; row 10: Krissy Kuhn, Melissa Sparks, Carly Janacek, Vanessa Amburgy, Tabatha King, Tiffany Ley, Cheryl Muzyka, Tracy Tom, Charlene Murphy, Rebecca Phillips. 7. The band marches during the homecoming parade. 8. Members of the winter guard are row 1: Andrea Chupp, Jessica Weaver, Tabatha King, Charlene Murphy; row 2: Robyn Elliot, Sunshine Popenfoose, Carly Janacek, Vanessa Amburgy; row 3: Melissa Meyrink, Tamara Miller, Katy Richardson, Renee Elliot. 9. Members of the percussion corps include row 1: Taia Pletcher, Traci Hughes, Chauncey Wiggs, Rachel Spiegel, Brandy Linville; row 2: Ryan Means, Brandon Boyts, Cameron Beer; row 3: Josh Gunkel, Anthony Elliot, Jacob Mikolajczak, Josh Fisher, Chris Cunningham. 10. The Wawasee faculty team comes up with a win against the Hoop Team 16.

Upgrading the System

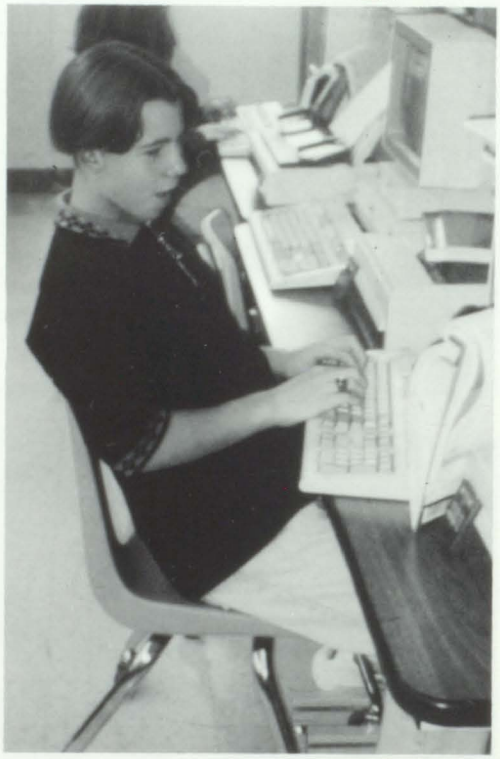
Business

Keeps Current

It was a busy and exciting year for business. To start with, there was a new teacher in the business department named Trish Miller. She taught Accounting I and II, introduction to business, computer applications, and electronic office procedures. Mr. Murphy was reassigned to teach introduction to marketing and advanced business. He also had interdisciplinary cooperative education (I.C.E.) and the DECA club. The business department changed the work co-op program from marketing education to interdisciplinary cooperative education (I.C.E.). This new program enabled the students to have a wider choice of work opportunities. Another change, which was very helpful, was the upgraded software. Before it was WordPerfect word processing software, and it was upgraded to 6.1 Windows, and the Lotus 1,2,3 program was updated to the Release 5. There were many problems with computers during first semester; however, after the upgrade the computers were working much better and the faculty and students were pleased. Several students in Mrs. Huber's administrative support services class (office lab) were working in offices up in the business area during the second semester. This was added so they could learn on the job, earn pay, and receive credit. This made for an excellent working experience. The business department had a new teacher, new computers, and several new programs added to the curriculum. It was an exciting school year for business students and faculty.



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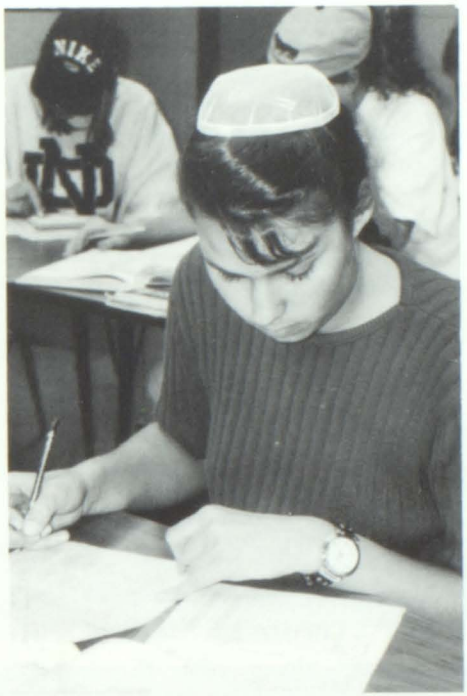
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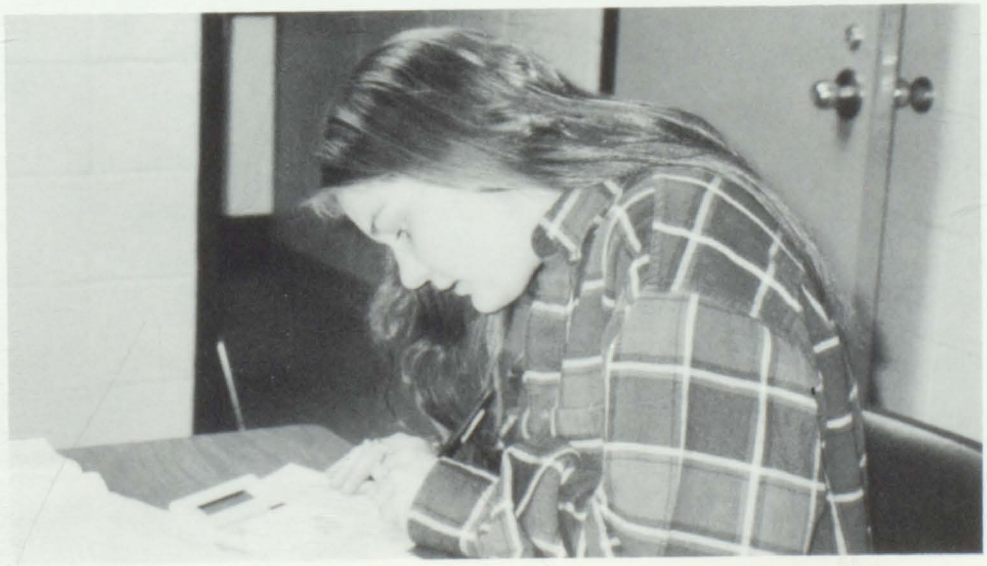
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1. John Shock and Jace Stewart prepare for their big test. 2. Ryan Skaggs types away on the keyboard. 3. Shanna Miller and Amanda Hatfield try to stay awake. 4. Tina Thompson, Tina Trueblood, and Luke Young are ready to do their assignment. 5. Mrs. Miller provides assistance to Kent Flannery. 6. Amy Gingerich does some accounting. 7. The business department members are Mr. Story, Mr. Murphy, Mrs. Miller, and Mrs. Huber. 8. Danielle Hickman is awake and ready for action. 9. Sara Rockenbaugh prepares to utilize her calculator.

CHOIR

AMERICAN MUSIC

As in previous years, Wawasee offered both mixed and treble choir for its beginning students. It offered a chance for students new to the high school scene to get a feel for the high school style. They participated in the school Christmas festival in December along with the band, orchestra, and the show choirs. The week before Christmas they performed the concert at a convo for the student body to enjoy. In March they participated in the corporation music festival. The theme for the festival was American Music. Two hundred high school musicians including the mixed and treble choirs played a big role in the festival along with 400 elementary students and 300 middle school students. In June they joined the varsity singers and added the vocals to graduation. Choir class taught its students not only the art of singing, but also dancing and reading music. Students had fun while entertaining the community with their music.



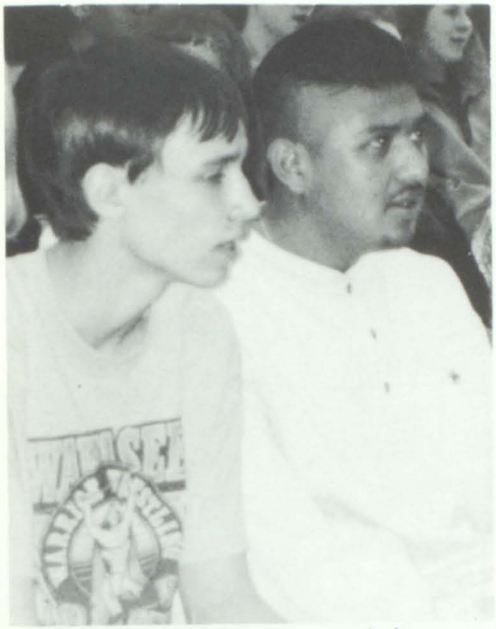
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1. Tom Beckett is the vocal director. 2. Tiffany Bohnstedt studies whole and half notes. 3. Janine Champoux and Cheryl Grady listen to their part as they prepare to sing. 4. Matt Pederson and Margarito Martinez prepare their baritone and tenor vocals. 5. The treble choir members are row 1: Christie Schmidt, Christina Murphy, Sari Anderson, Kristy Waugh, Emily Engelberth, Stephanie Wihebrink, Jennifer Newcomer, Janice Bokhart, Georgia Myers, Mandy Thomas; row 2: Tiffany Bohnstedt, Amber Hall, Betsy Davis, Valerie Reuter, Holly Wagoner, JoAnne Yiggers, Brenda Wong, Heather Hall, Megan Marshall; row 3: Staci Harris, Jenny Twait, Danielle Powell, Nikki Winters, Sarah Ball, Amy Smith, Lisa Mitting, Carissa McCullough. 6. Mixed choir members are row 1: Melissa Greer, Kristen VanDiver, Lyndsay Hooley, Mandi Shidler, Kristen Graber, Lindsay Gunderson, Cassie Glassburn, Shannon Troup, Stephanie White, Tara Hymer, Ashley Dean; row 2: Melinda Cook, Misti Casinger, Gretchen Balestri, Rebekah Thompson, Evelyn Boesenberg, Kathryn Rehling, Charlene Murphy, Chrissy Yoder, Jennifer DePlanty, Paige Gerber, Angie Beer; row 3: Cheryl Grady, Katie McCauley, Heather Rich, Lauren Stucky, Lori Ridenour, Arlene Stuckman, Keshia Hunt, Brooke Dickinson, Brooke Arnold, Crystal Pamer, Alisha Henderson, Katie Jones; row 4: Heather Reese, Tia Parker, Diann Lantz, Amanda Reese, Courtney Knisley, Andrew Waugh, Matt Pederson, Brandon Boyts, Kelly Myers, Crystal Blair, Heather VanDussen, Amy Wagoner. 7. Janice Bokhart, Brenda Wong, Jennifer Newcomer, and Lisa Mitting are warming up before class.

LEARNING A NEW WAY

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

BOOTS UP

The first year German, French, and Spanish students learned in a new way. They used a new interactive video disk lab to learn their foreign languages. Another new addition to the foreign language department was storytelling in the lessons. The teachers and students agreed that this was a positive addition. During the summer of '96 the German program had the opportunity to travel to Germany.

For the summer of '97 the Spanish students planned a trip to Costa Rica and Mexico. Also during the summer of '97 the French classes traveled to the Loire Valley and Paris. The German students also hosted German exchange students in March for their sixth year in a row. All three languages took part in the yearly sales of the Great American Fundraiser to raise money for their trips and computer supplies.



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1. Mrs. Yargosz shows her Spanish students a new dance. 2. Mrs. Hursh reviews a lesson with her French class. 3. Scott Ousley and Kim Reuter work on Spanish homework. 4. Mrs. Bruce shares quality time with Toni Nash after class. 5. Shawnte Schritter enjoys her time in Spanish. 6. Janine Champoux and Lanyng Saul hit the books in French class. 7. The foreign language department includes Miss Retter, Mrs. Yargosz, Mrs. Bruce, and Mrs. Hursh. 8. Miss Retter is busy teaching a lesson in Spanish.

New Secretary & Tests

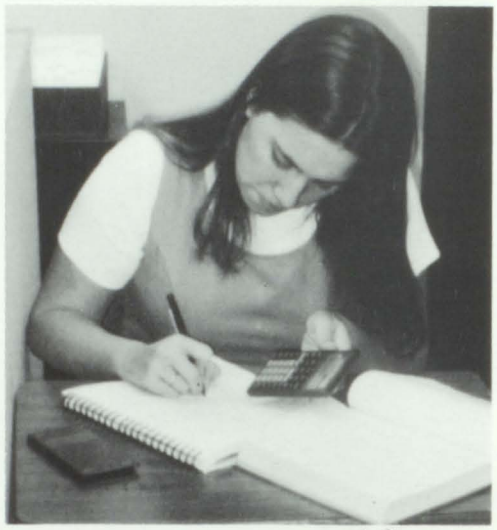
Guidance

Faces Changes

The guidance department experienced several changes, the most radical of which was the replacement of Mrs. Bultemeier with a new guidance secretary, Mrs. Thomas. The counselors themselves spent a great deal of time working with tests. A new test was also arranged for the student body, the TAP test. This test was given to grades 9-12 and would, hopefully, serve as a benchmark test. As a new state mandate the freshman class must take the ISTEP in their sophomore year and pass it by their senior year to earn their diplomas. The eleventh grade, once again, could take either the ASSET or the PSAT. The eleventh and twelfth grade students had the option of taking the ASVAB test in order to further their education. In other areas a school wide issue indirectly affecting the guidance department was the attempt to career orient all grades, kindergarten through twelve. Some work was also done to make finding and applying for scholarships an easier task for students.



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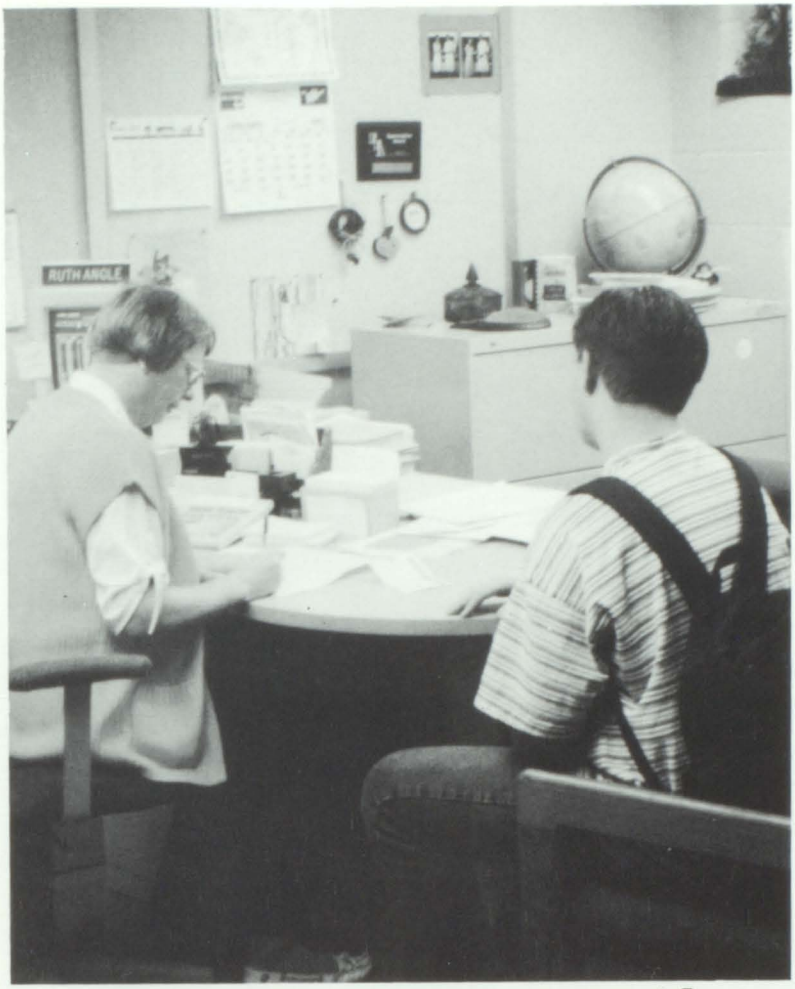
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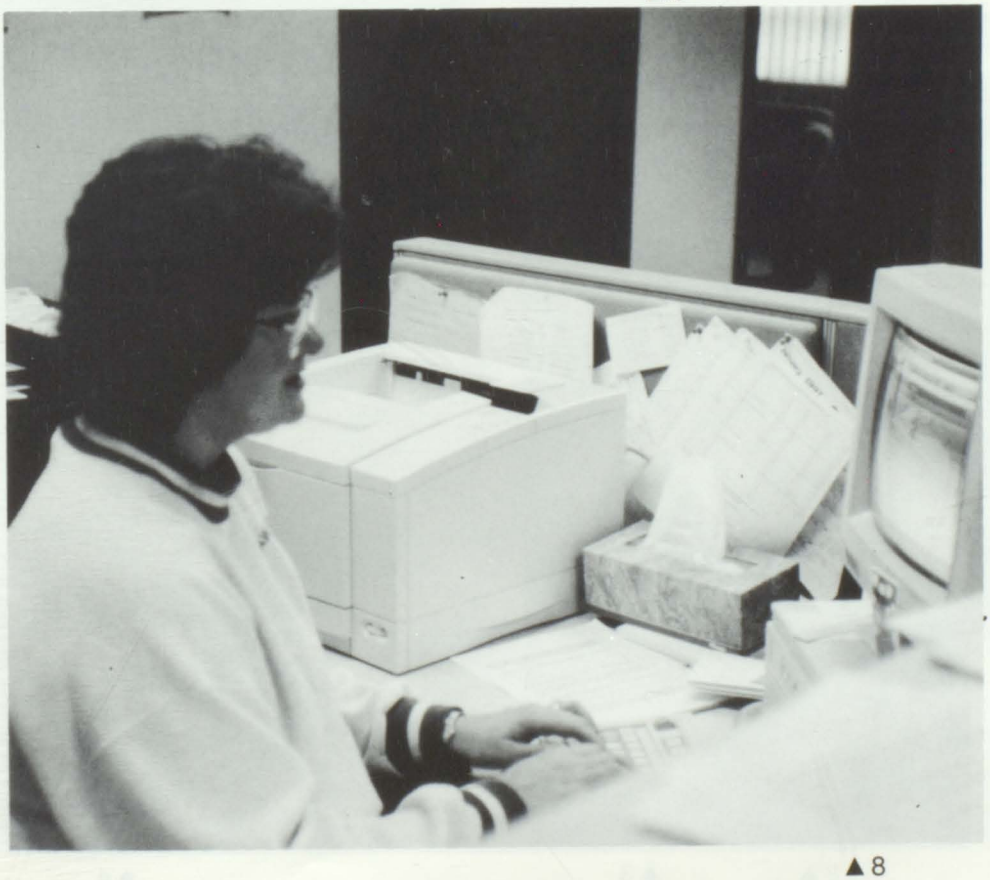
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1. Ms. Flueckiger is hard at work in her office. 2. Jessica Christoffel finds time to do homework. 3. Special needs department members are Mrs. Rogers, Mrs. Waltz, Mr. Berg, Mrs. Wolfe, and Mrs. Linkey. 4. Guidance helpers are row 1: Jessica Christoffel; row 2: Brandy Dean, Kara Waldbeser, Jennifer Eades; row 3: Tanya Myers, Genny Carney, and April Hershberger. 5. Ms. Angle helps yet another student plan his schedule. 6. Guidance department members are Mr. Hunsberger, Ms. Angle, and Ms. Flueckiger. 7. Mr. Hunsberger advises Alex Houze on college applications. 8. The new guidance secretary, Mrs. Thomas, is doing a "great job." 9. Mr. Hunsberger cheers for Notre Dame in his office.

Hey Good Lookin',

Home Economics

What's Cookin'?

The home ec department taught high school students how to survive as adults in a home environment. A variety of classes were available to the students. Many students were still cooking with Foods I and Foods II. The Foods I class touched on all the basics, while Foods II planned full meals and explored more complex cooking methods. All sectional lunches were prepared by the Foods II class. Family management was also a fun class. In there students learned the tough skills of parenting and balancing a budget. Child development was another busy class. The students in this class brought children to school for a day. The class also created games and had the kids play them. They also wore empathy bellies which was a pregnancy simulator. The purpose of home ec was to teach students the responsibilities they would encounter as they grew into adults and entered the real world.



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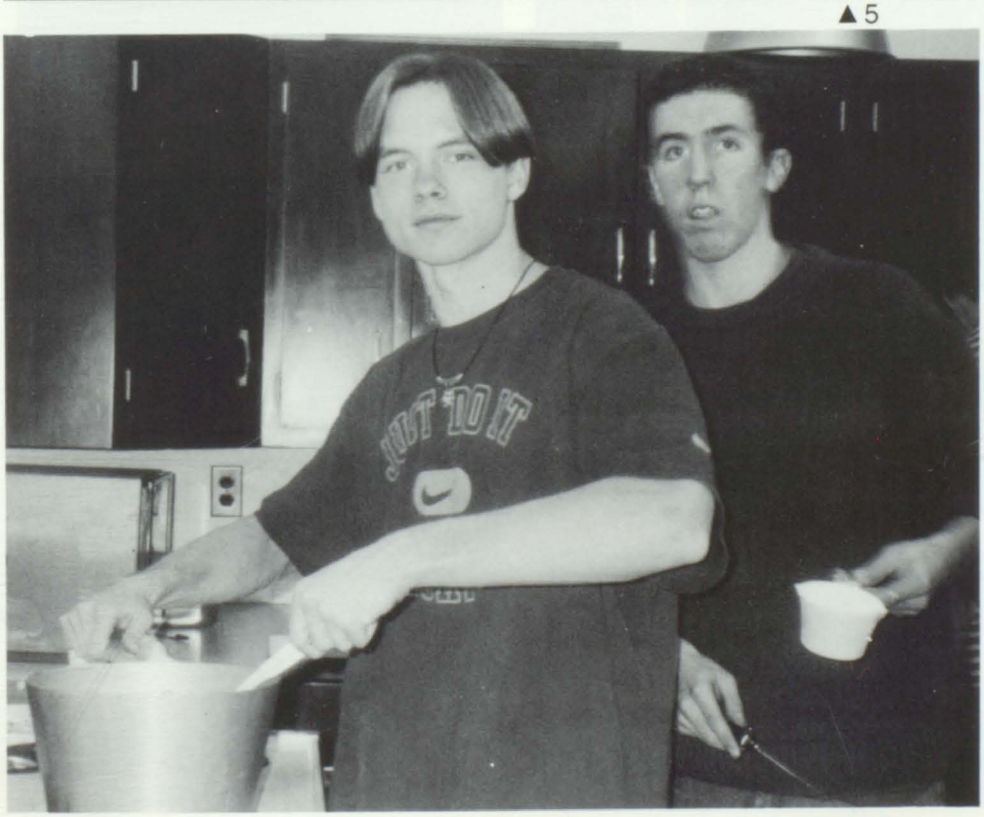
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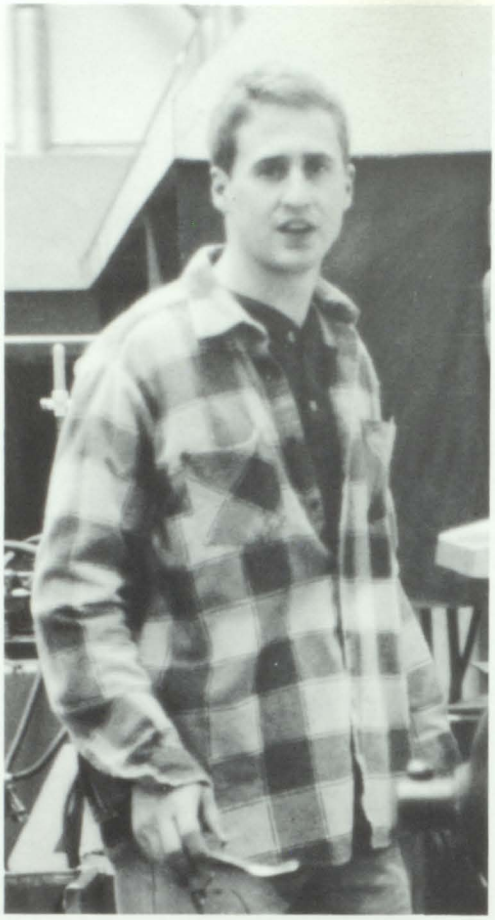
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1. James O'Donnell is having a good time washing dishes. 2. Tori David measures flour in home ec. 3. Niko Ioannou measures correctly. 4. Jamie Troup smiles while she mixes batter. 5. Heather Morgan, Heather Levernier, and Jennifer Ganshorn have fun packaging up their cookies. 6. Mrs. Leach shows Karen Shipley how it's done. 7. Mrs. Leach enjoys teaching home ec. 8. Brad Nyce and Niko Ioannou are hard at work.

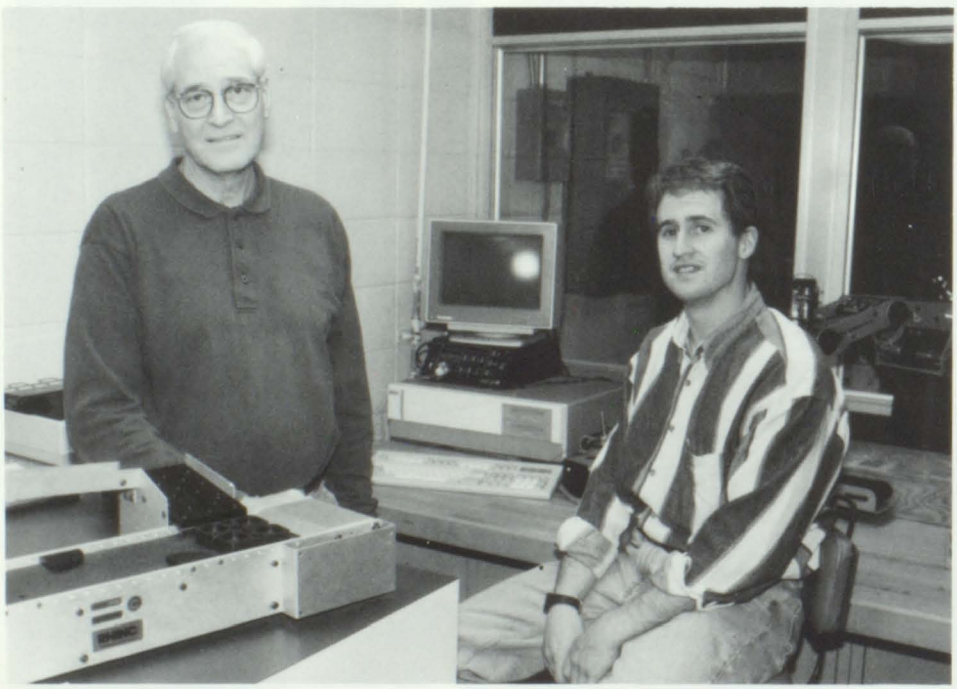
INDUSTRIAL TECH

A NEW ERA

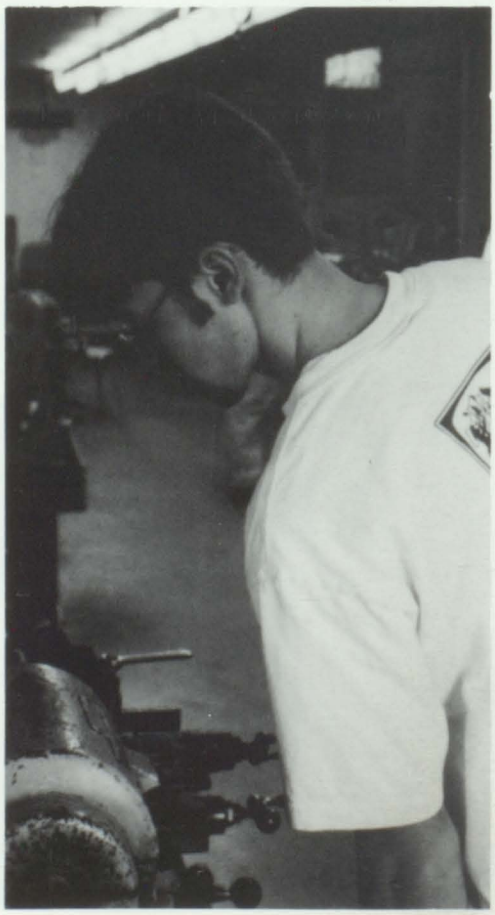
The industrial tech classes began a new era as Mr. Coblentz took over after Mr. Alford's retirement. Classes offered were manufacturing, metals, design CAD, design drafting, design construction, Construction I, building construction, and design EN-architecture. Industrial tech students worked very hard throughout the year and were always busy. CAD students worked on floor plans for their own houses. They also designed the house of their choice, built a water tower and designed pick up trucks. The metals class made tools such as hammers. The construction and woods classes built furniture and repaired piers. The design construction class designed a hotel. The industrial tech department was staffed by Mr. Vitaniemi and Mr. Coblentz.



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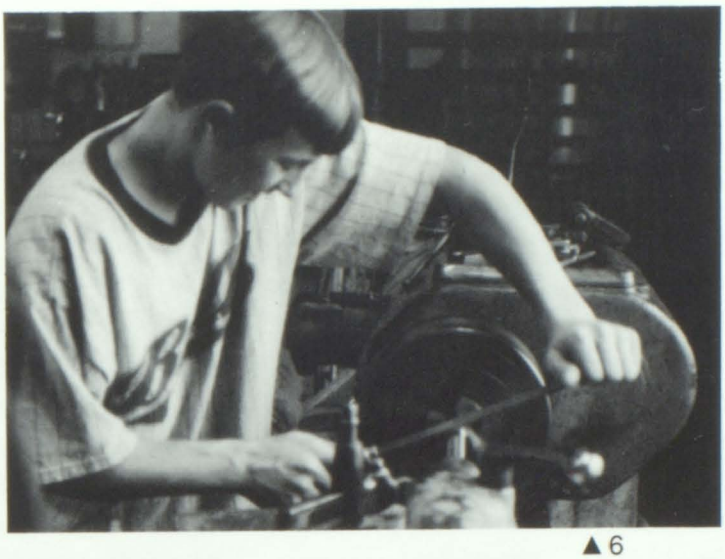
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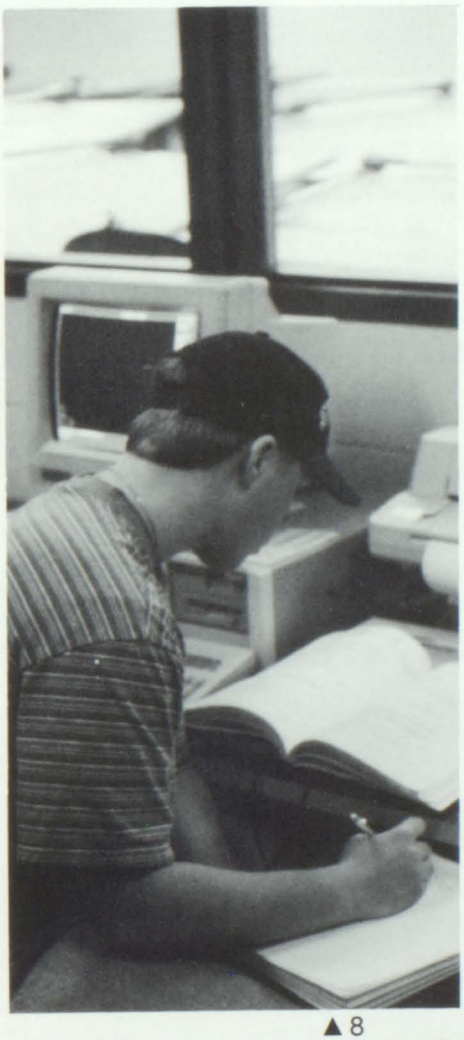
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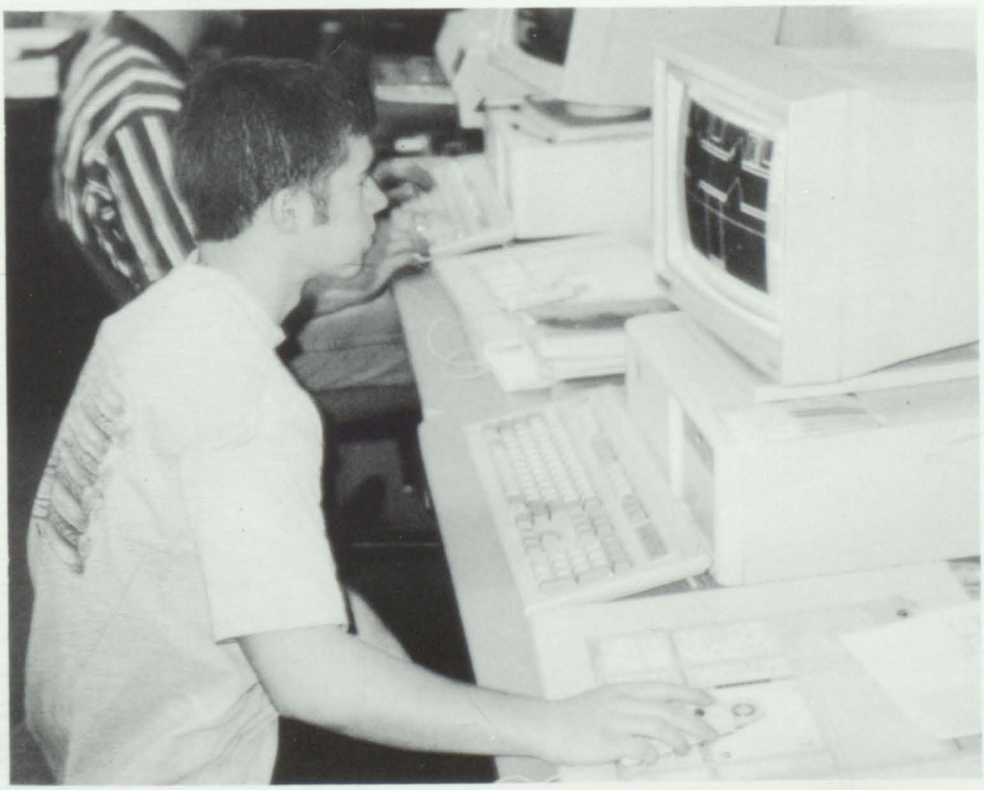
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1. Mr. Coblentz is caught off guard. 2. The industrial tech teachers are Mr. Vitaniemi and Mr. Coblentz. 3. Brandon Hoffman checks the machines. 4. Lacey Robinson giggles at Blake Knisely. 5. Mr. Vitaniemi helps Bob Philips in CAD. 6. Derek Eby enjoys his work. 7. Jay Phoun works on his masterpiece as Jared Fawley goes to check on something. 8. Jason Tackitt works hard on his assignment. 9. Zach Boren designs a hotel.

Adding New Classes

Language Arts

ZOOMS AHEAD

The language arts department added two new classes: contemporary literature taught by Miss Swartzentruber and TV production taught by Miss Wooldridge. These new classes, in addition to creative writing and drama and advanced speech, demonstrated a creative side to the language arts department. Contemporary literature was a reading and discussion of several 20th century stories and novels; this was a semester course. Advanced speech and drama, a semester course also, dealt with speech as well as the teaching of dramatic arts. Creative writing returned with one class each semester. The senior ACP class took its annual trip to the IUSB library to research their trends papers. In enriched college prep English for the juniors they had a chance to go back to the 1600's and participate in Puritan school for two days. The sophomore speech classes brought bags with pictures taped on them that represented the students. Then they made a speech about their bags and showed the bag to the class. The freshman read *Great Expectations* and did fun vocabulary exercises. The language arts department kept the students very busy and had a good time doing it.



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1. Amy Cockburn is all dressed up as a Medieval pilgrim. 2. Jody Brown hurries to get her test done. 3. The members of the English department are row 1: Mrs. Thornburg, Mrs. Harkleroad, Mrs. Pletcher, Mrs. Lant; row 2: Mr. Iden, Miss Wooldridge, Mrs. Miller, Miss Swartzentruber, Mr. Robbins, and Mrs. Moss. 4. Troy Niles doesn't look like he is paying attention in English. 5. Jaxon Swain gives an exciting speech. 6. John Glon gives a speech about his shoe. 7. Ryan Perzanowski takes a break from reading. 8. Kristine Shivers is a member of the clergy for Senior English. 9. Mr. Robbins' seventh period English class portrays pilgrims from the *Canterbury Tales*. They are row 1: Brock Manning, Sarah Bowers, Luke Sawyer; row 2: Amy Cockburn, Isaac Ritter, Theresa Lundin, Jennifer Tudor, Kristine Shivers; row 3: Jeremiah Thompson, Jeff Nelson, Jeremy Reynolds, Matt Holderman, Ryan Harper, Rachel Newcum.

CONTINUING TO GROW

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER

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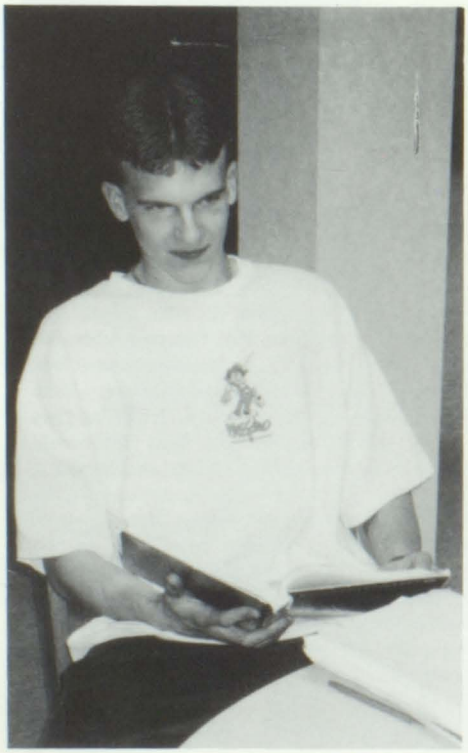
The LRC continued to expand. They received seven new computers, a color printer, CDI for ACT (a program on which students could find information about occupations) and two Internet connections for many different class projects. With all the new additions to the LRC, the most important was Mrs. Olszewski as Mr. Guinther's aide and returning LRC volunteers Judy Bachtel, Vivian Kern, and JoAnn Robinson. The production studio also continued to expand. It was in charge of all the video term papers for social studies, econ, and foreign language; all video taping for sporting events and academic events; filming and editing of musicals and plays. They also repaired all audio visual equipment at WHS as well as repairs at other schools. Ben Plikerd invented and installed the new sky cam on top of the school to provide weather reports. The production studio also received a parasitic digital AV mixer that allowed the studio to add Chromakey to video projects. They also got an EIKI video projector used by all departments. For the morning announcements a studio desk designed by Mr. Vitaniemi's class and built by Mr. Coblentz's class was introduced.



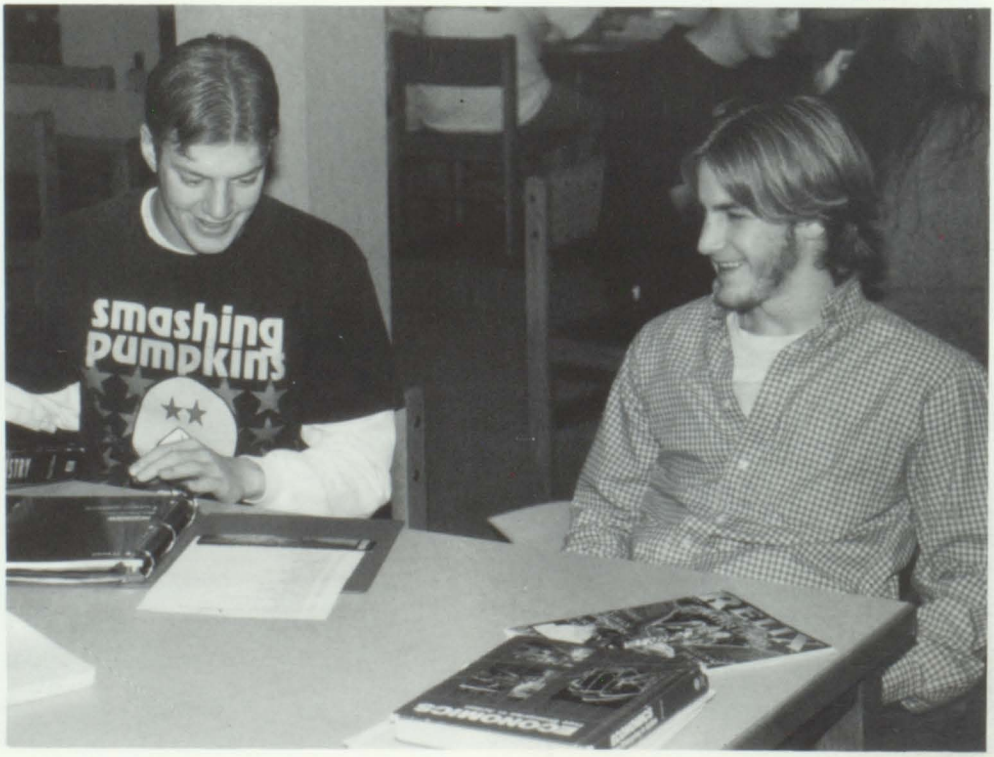
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1. Ben Plikerd really enjoys working in the production studio. 2. David Jackson is caught fooling around on the card catalog. 3. Ryan Lemon is studying economics in the LRC. 4. John Hursh and Rob Pinney are more interested in their *Relix* magazine than their homework. 5. The production studio workers are row 1: Ben Plikerd, Nathan Rogers; row 2: John Pearson, Jacob Mikolajczak, Derek Stump, and advisor Mrs. Christoffel. 6. The LRC and the production studio staff is Mr. Guinther, Mrs. Christoffel, Mr. VanLue, Mrs. Olszewski. 7. Shaun Belin studies his biology in the LRC. 8. The LRC volunteers are Judy Bachtel, Vivian Kern, and Jo Ann Robinson. 9. The LRC helpers are row 1: Chauncey Wiggs, Tyler Amick, Kara Waldbeser; row 2: Genny Carney, Georgia Myers, Cinda Hamman, Steven DePlanty; row 3: April Hill, Renee Nelson, Brandy Dean, Sherman Gibson, and Bryce Schaefer.

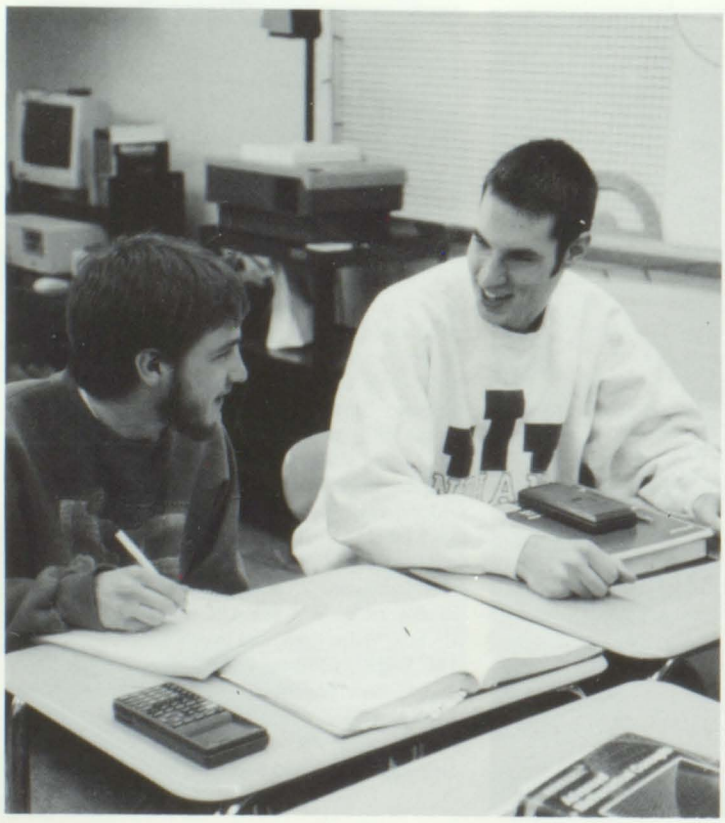
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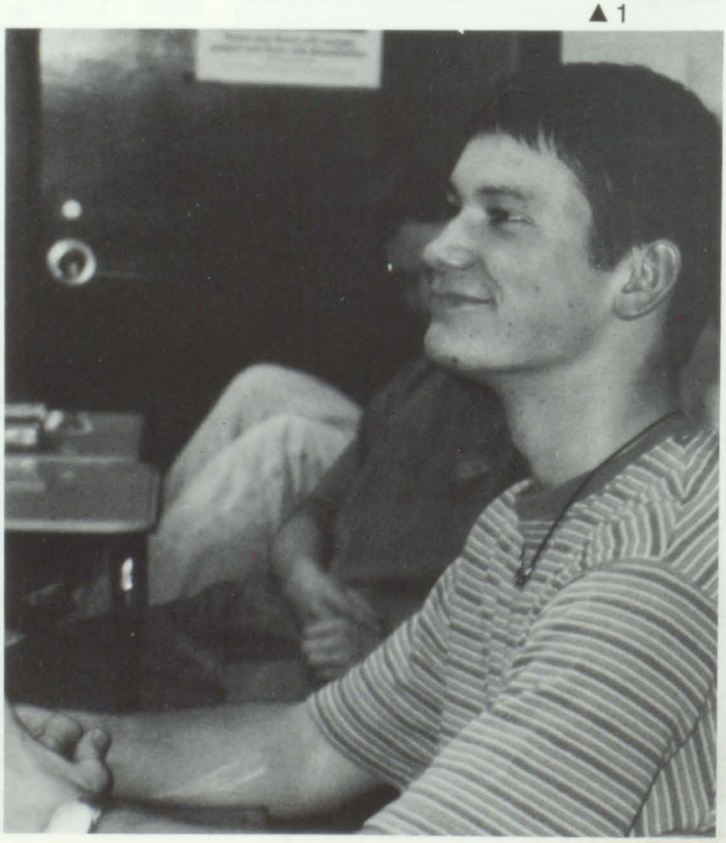
The math department continued to try new things. They were very happy to have Mr. Davis and Mrs. Dilbone join their team. The addition of another teacher allowed them to expand the variety of classes in order to better fit student needs. The team brought pre-algebra back and hoped to bring discreet math back. The teachers had to work together this year and form exams that were standardized with the state. Students participated in the National Math Exam again. The math students were also given the opportunity to participate in the Purdue math test. The test allowed students to earn college credit if a high enough score was reached. Mr. Metcalf's geometry classes continued to do string art and graph pictures. This allowed the students to have a break from doing written work. The algebra tech prep classes and regular algebra classes used the same text book. The department was also very happy about receiving more graphing calculators. The addition allowed more students to have an opportunity to learn how to use them.



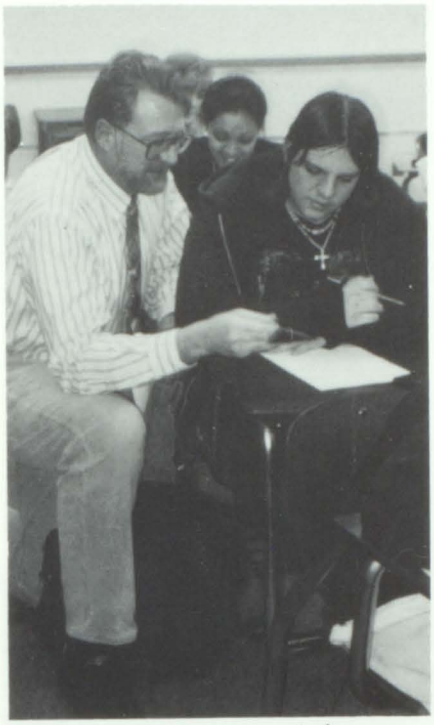
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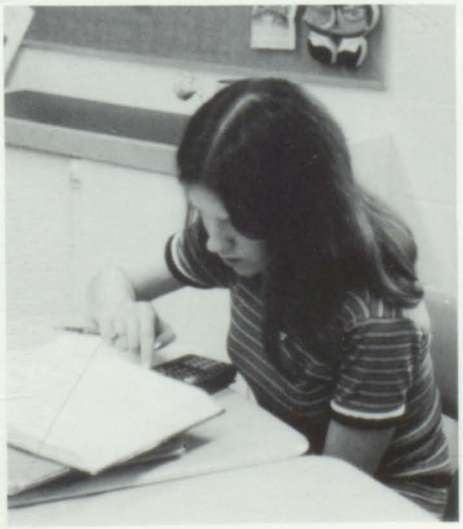
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1. Kari Wortinger makes a face at the class. 2. Rob Pinney and Jeff Nelson talk about their math assignment. 3. Shane Beer looks excited. 4. Mr. Hassen shares his knowledge with Mike Sleighter. 5. The members of the math department are row 1: Mrs. Martin, Mr. Metcalf, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Hassen; row 2: Mr. Zolman, Miss Nyce, Mr. Davis. 6. Mr. Hassen's class pays close attention. 7. Rachel Hurd loves math. 8. April Baisden is hard at work. 9. Joe Baumgartner and Latisha Powell are ready for class to be over.

SECRETARIES AND AIDES

KEEP MOVIN'

The secretaries, nurses, and aides had a busy year. Mrs. Bultemeier moved from guidance secretary to the main office. She said that her move was a positive one. She especially liked the new administration. Mrs. Thomas moved from the library to the guidance office and loved her new job. She did, however, feel there was a lot to learn in her new position. Mrs. Thomas also missed the interaction with the students in the library. Mrs. Holterman was delighted that Saturday school was eliminated. This did, however, increase the detentions and number of ISS students. Mrs. Byrd was more comfortable in her second year as bookkeeper. The athletic department also had a new secretary, Mrs. Dodds, who left temporarily for military duty in December.



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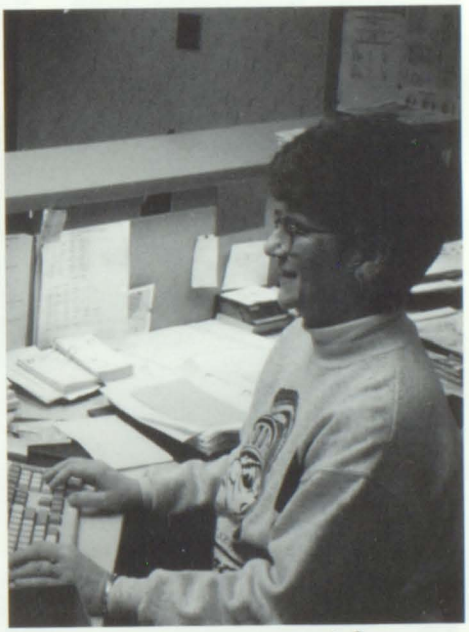
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1. The nurses, Mrs. Dewart and Mrs. Alexander, have a great year. 2. Tyler Amick and Mandy Sewell help out in the office. 3. Mrs. Holterman stays busy in the attendance office. 4. Mrs. Thomas keeps on learning for her new position. 5. Student helpers are, clockwise: Viki Hunziker, Lacey Robinson, Jaclyn Craver, John Campbell, Mandy Sewell, Katy Biddle. 6. Mrs. Byrd, the bookkeeper, thinks the kids are great. 7. The secretaries and aides are, seated: Mrs. Bruch, Mrs. Dodds, Mrs. Bultemeier, Mrs. Waltz, Mrs. Vore, Mrs. Zilenski, and Mrs. Thomas; standing: Mrs. Daniel, Mrs. Byrd, Mrs. Holterman, Mrs. Olszewski, Mrs. Christoffel, Mrs. Henderson, and Mrs. Salazar. 8. Mrs. Bruch has a good time on her computer. 9. Mrs. Bultemeier helps out with the switchboard.

New Experiences Lead

Orchestra

To Success



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There were 35 strings in the orchestra. They participated in a variety of concerts: the Christmas Concert, the Corporation Music Festival, Wander Wawasee, IMEA organization contest, the spring concert, and commencement. Some of the new experiences this year were that the orchestra performed a joint number with the choir at Christmas; also at the IMEA Contest and the spring concert they performed with a full orchestra. A full orchestra consisted of winds, brass, and percussion. As a full orchestra, they played the theme from Holst's *Jupiter* and "Russian Sailor's Dance." With the chorus, they executed John Rutter's "Joy to the World." Some of the orchestra's other favorites were "Pink Panther" and "Funeral March of a Marionette," the theme of the old Alfred Hitchcock show. Overall the orchestra had an excellent year full of new challenges.



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1. Janice Bokhart strums her violin steadily during rehearsal. 2. Mrs. Dubach is the orchestra teacher. 3. Members of the chamber orchestra are row 1: Mary Cockburn, Amy Cockburn, Brenda Wong, Brooke Cunningham, and Tamara Miller; row 2: Megan Hoffman, Stephanie Wong, Lindsay Parker, and Katie Richardson; row 3: Rachel Jackson, Tabitha Shoopman, Emily Slabaugh, and Emily Minnick; row 4: Heather Rich, Landon Rodes, and Dustin Martin. 4. Emily Minnick perfects her form. 5. Brooke Cunningham and Emily Minnick are working towards perfection. 6. Megan Hoffman and Brooke Cunningham play in sync. 7. Dustin Martin and Landon Rodes utilize their time in class. 8. Mrs. Dubach conducts the strings. 9. Members of the orchestra are row 1: Megan Hoffman, Amy Cockburn, Ann Corbin, Elizabeth Miller, Lauren Street, Brenda Wong, Andy Ousley, and Greg Brunjes; row 2: Tara Evans, Beth Pinkerton, Mary Cockburn, Stephanie Wong, Will Mock, Katy Schlipf, Tim Cotton, and Travis Coy; row 3: Andy Vester, Allan Wilson, Tabitha Shoopman, Emily Slabaugh, Kasha Barrett, Brooke Cunningham, Emily Minnick, Heather Long, Nicole Randall, and Lindsay Parker; row 4: Janice Bokhart, Rachel Jackson, Andrea Chupp, Katie Richardson, Tamara Miller, Elizabeth Rehling, Heather Rich, Josh Newcum, Landon Rodes, and Dustin Martin.

WHIPPIN' INTO SHAPE

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

PUMPS IT UP

The physical education department had an array of courses to choose from once again. Incoming freshmen were required to take one semester of basic physical education and take the other semester anytime before they graduated. Freshmen could take either lifetime activities, team sports, or regular P. E. Elective classes included team sports, lifetime activities, weight lifting, and P.E. plus. Lifeguarding and athletic training were still offered. Mrs. Peterson was teaching for her 26th year; Mr. DeHart completed his 9th year; Mr. Phil Mischler finished his first year, having replaced Mrs. Dilbone who moved to math. Once again the frosh competed in the Wawasee Triathalon. Adam Brown won the event for the boys and Gennie Brissette for the girls. Many students received certification in community CPR offered in the introductory classes.



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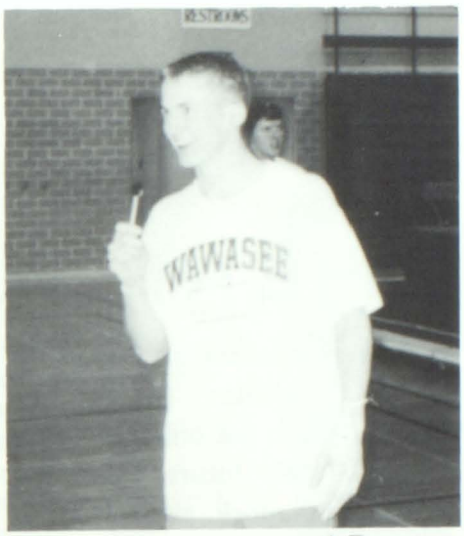
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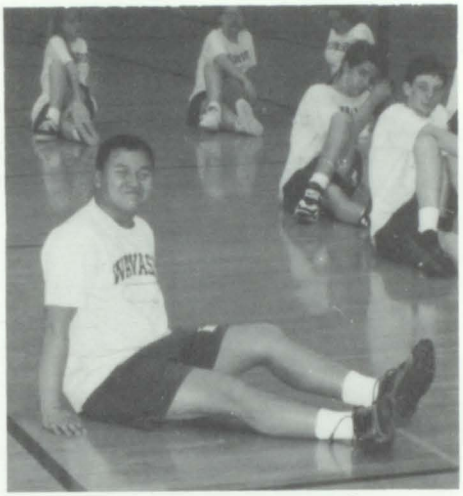
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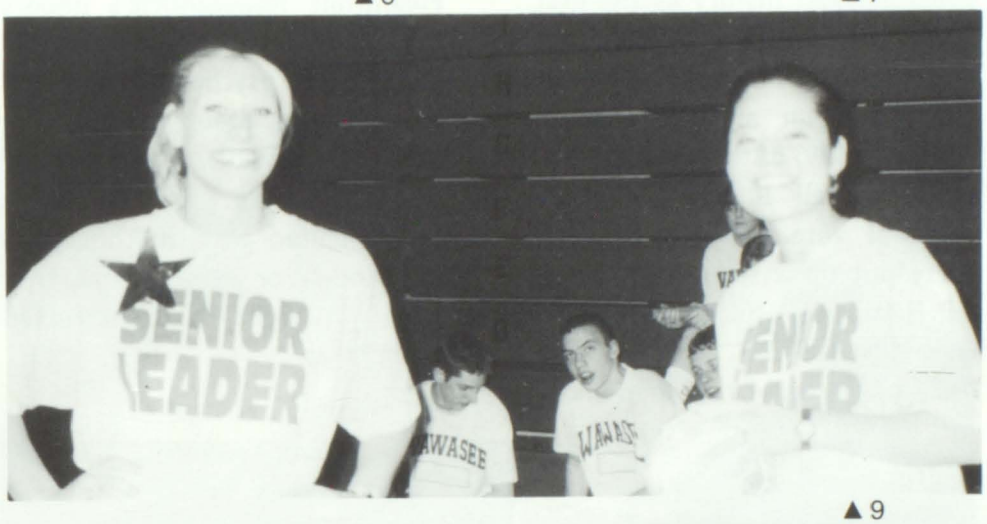
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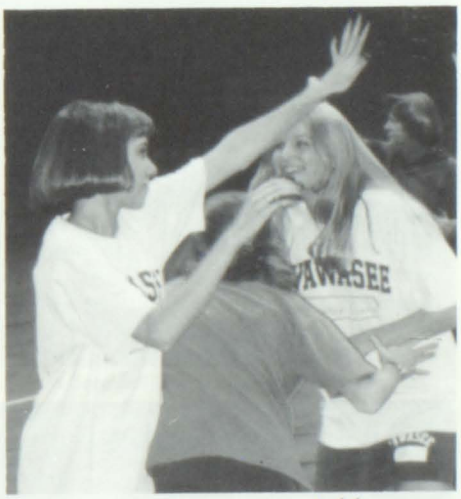
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1. Chad Fisher shows his stuff. 2. April Baidsen is all smiles. 3. Ora Freeman attempts to flex. 4. Colleen Hickey puts all her effort into tennis. 5. Katy Biddle saves Adam Brown's life. 6. Luke Matz and Josh McClintic are tough. 7. Jared Mahnensmith works hard. 8. Quyen Tran stretches out. 9. Theresa Lundin and Jenny Wyatt get ready for handball. 10. P.E. teachers are Mr. Mischler, Mrs. Peterson, and Mr. DeHart. 11. Cheryl Grady and Laura Lundin try to get away from a pesky opponent.

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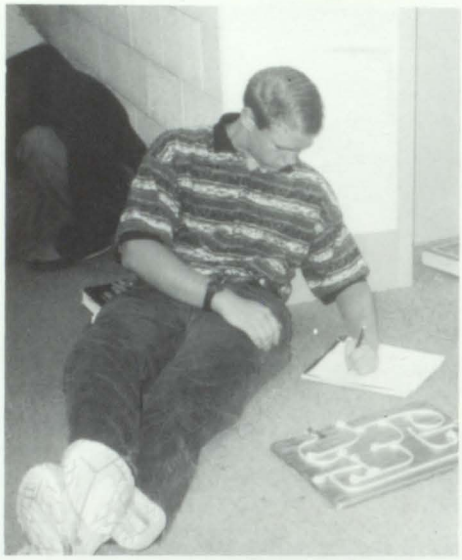
SOCIAL SCIENCES

HERE AND NOW

The social sciences succeeded in giving students hands on involvement in not only their past but also their future. For the seniors the mock election went down in WHS history as the first victory for the Citizens' Party. The Citizens' Party was led by Chris Sahagun and John Hursh who won 60% of the popular vote and took all 18 states in the electoral vote. The Republican Party put up a strong fight with Jeff Nelson and Becky Roose who won 40% of the popular vote. Mr. Aalbregtse's sophomore students looked to the future by completing a career project designed to help aid in career choices that they will be faced with in the years to come. Meanwhile Mr. VanDrie's juniors reenacted the trial of John Brown. Mr. Iden's psychology students learned about defense mechanisms and why people tend to use them. They also experimented with the concept of trial-and-error using mazes that the students constructed themselves.



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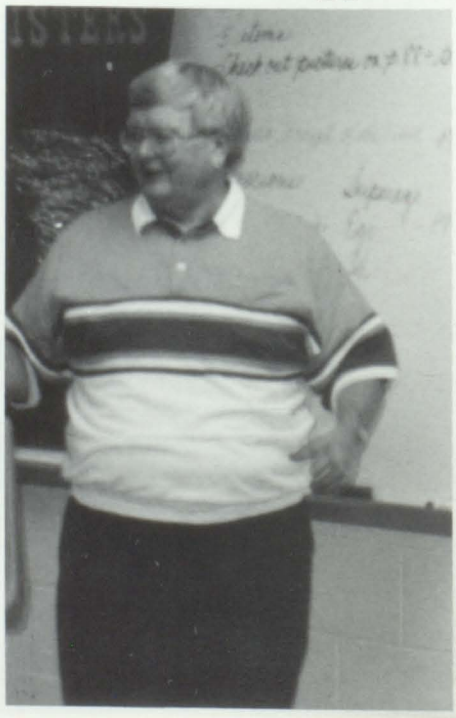
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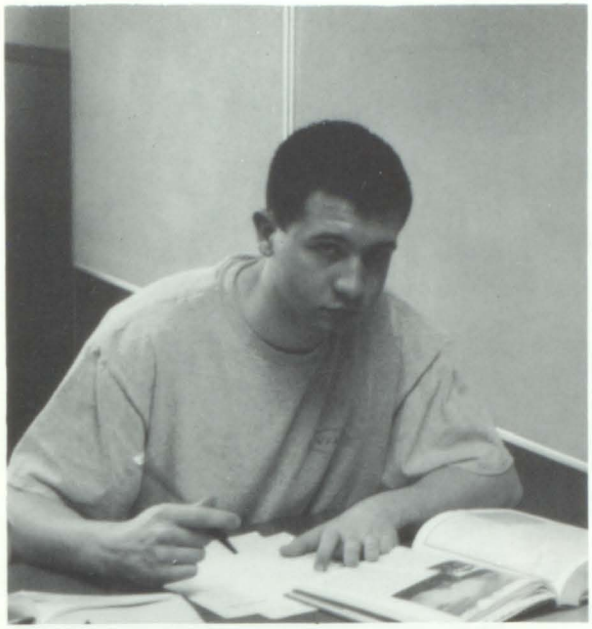
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I. Jamie Troup is having fun administering her maze. 2. Ken Lawrance is testing his hypothesis with a trial run of his maze by keeping track of the time and the number of errors made by his subject. 3. Mark Beer and Heather Long are working hard on their lesson in Mr. VanDrie's U.S. history class. 4. Matt Engelberth, Ryan Harper, Tara Conn, Adelphia Harris, and Mark Haab are members of the Republican Party who are ready to answer questions during the press conference. 5. Mr. Iden teaches his psychology students about Sigmund Freud and his theories. 6. John Andrews pauses during U.S. history. 7. Sharada Nethaway is moderating the election while Luke Sawyer announces the number of votes that his state contributes. 8. Neal Beer is explaining his maze to John Pearson. 9. Josh Eby is trying his luck at a maze. 10. The social sciences are taught by Mr. Corson, Mr. Welborn, Mr. Aalbregtse, and Mr. VanDrie.

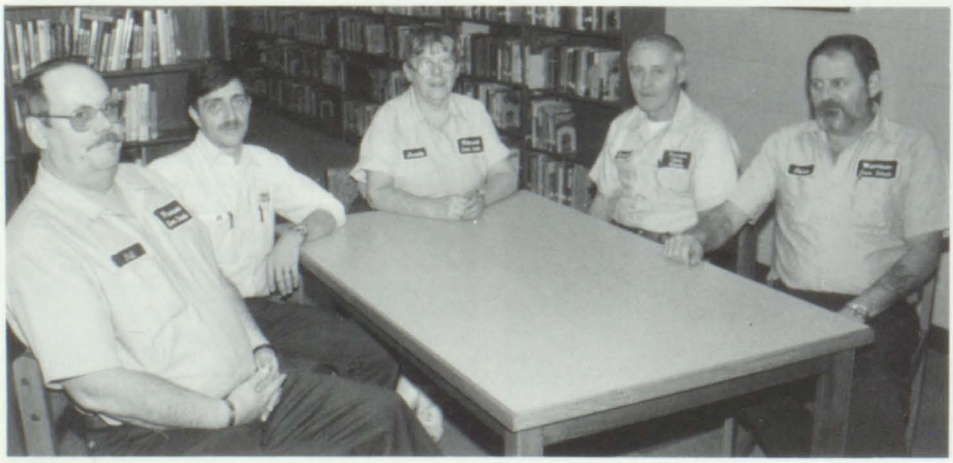
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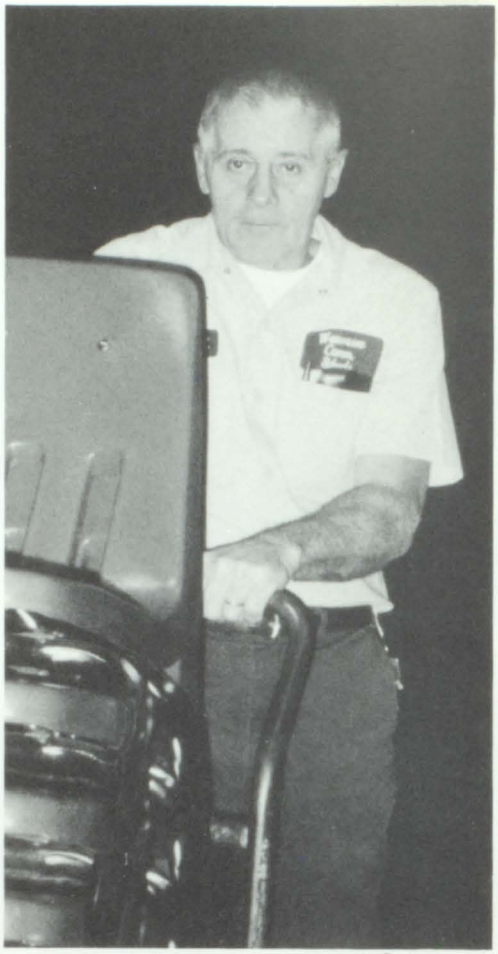
Many changes took place in the school kitchen. Due to being less busy, the lines were much less crowded. The cooks also considered student health in their cooking. They replaced the fattening foods with healthy alternatives. The cooks said that the retirement of Arnold Grindle made a big difference in the control over the lunch lines, yet the cooks seemed to have it under control. In the janitorial department little was changed. A new addition to the team made cleaning up a little easier. The janitors commented that there was a lot more work to be done compared to other years. The work was consistent, but the result of more activities equaled more work for the janitors. They did say, however, that the students were a real help in the work load.



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1. The cooks are row l: Debbe Kuhn, Marcia Baumgartner, Marilyn Grindle, Marleen Leamon, Nancy Dunithan, Kathy Close; row 2: Vicki Brown, Rose White, Jackie Wortinger, Susie Kern, and Regina Miller. 2. The custodial staff is Bill Burgett, Byron Oswald, Jonetta Bowser, and David Welker. 3. Arnold Grindle moves chairs on the day of his retirement. 4. Marilyn Grindle puts away supplies after a busy lunch period. 5. Vicki Brown and Debbe Kuhn enjoy working together. 6. Jonetta Bowser and Edith Avery take a break. 7. Marleen Leamon and Marcia Baumgartner prepare to wash the dishes. 8. Bill Burgett keeps Wawasee High School clean

Performing Well

Varsity Singers and Dream Company

Steal the Show

The Varsity Singers and Dream Company had a wonderful year. They participated in community events, school concerts, and district competitions. The district event went quite well and both groups made it to the state competition in the spring. The two groups faired well and came home with a first and second place in the state competition. There were 37 members involved in Varsity Singers consisting of sophomores, juniors, and seniors.

In May the Varsity Singers traveled to St. Louis to participate in a competition there. The Dream Company was composed of 28 sophomore, junior, and senior girls. The Dream Company went back to the original form of just having one group instead of two as tried in previous years. The Dream Company also competed in a contest held at Great America theme park. The two choirs had a great year and enjoyed their public performances.



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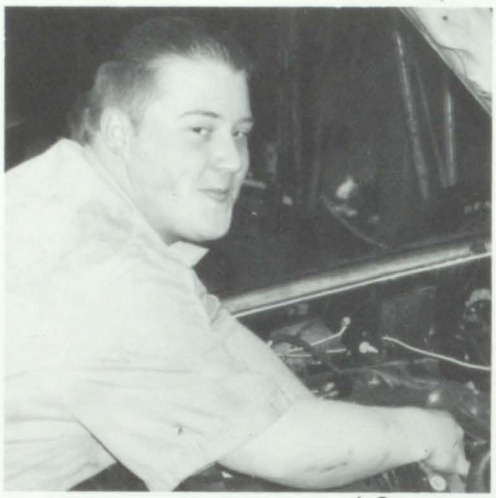
1. Kari Beer, Abby Weiss, Meghann Stewart, Seth Scantlen, Dan Glaser and Dan Cone enjoy their time in Varsity Singers. 2. Hey, Lindsay Kaiser, aren't you supposed to be looking at Mr. Beckett? 3. The Dream Company warms up for a practice. 4. Excellent singing posture, Dream Company! 5. Varsity Singers wait for the music to begin. 6. Varsity Singer members are row 1: Jessica Milligan, Tiffany Miller, Stephanie Wong, Carrie Grothaus, Amy Gingerich, Megan Bradley, Lindsay Kaiser, Cara Belcher, Meghann Stewart; row 2: Erin Griffith, Lindsay Nagy, Sarah Schwartz, Jayme Dailey, Faith White, Darcy Replogle, Dina Coverstone, Sarah Korenstra, Lindsay Schwartz, Abby Weiss; row 3: Jason Tackitt, Ray Belsan, Dan Glaser, Seth Scantlen, Steven DePlanty, Shane Beer; row 4: Jody VanLue, Nathan Rogers, Daniel Rater, Pat McCauley, Chris Boyts, Jordan Bender, Jeff Beer, Jamie Salazar, Dan Cone. 7. Mr. Beckett is having a wonderful time teaching class. 8. Dream Company members are row 1: Jennifer Hively, Carly Janacek, Steffi Heymann, Tara Evans, Ann Corbin, Melissa Johnson, Kim Coldren, Alison Morgan, Jenny Workman, Traci Speicher, Sara Frantz; row 2: Trish Carlassara, Meg Tsukamoto, Kara Price, Teresa Miller, Stephanie Scott, Vanessa Amburgy, Andrea West, Jaime Troup, Rachel Jackson, Margaret Shutske; row 3: Tiffany Ley, Erin Buss, Cheri Elkins, Anke Mulder, Kassie Plikerd. 9. Erin Buss and Andrea West sing their hearts out. 10. Looks like Kari Beer and Carley Beer are more interested in talking than singing.



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1. The house that was constructed by the building trades class is near North Webster. 2. Jon Kern is working on a transmission. 3. Orie Conley is busy under the hood. 4. Jeremy Olson, Kevin Leman, and Lester Mast are enjoying an ice cream break. 5. Kirby Dean is operating a high velocity sand blaster. 6. The vocational department members are seated: Mrs. Huber and Mr. Murphy; standing: Mrs. Leach, Mr. Warren, and Mr. Craig. 7. Daron Price enjoys an ice cold Blizzard. 8. Gary Tom is working on the engine of a Ford van. 9. Justin McGowen is looking snazzy while working on a truck in auto mechanics.



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Preparing For The Future

Vocational Education

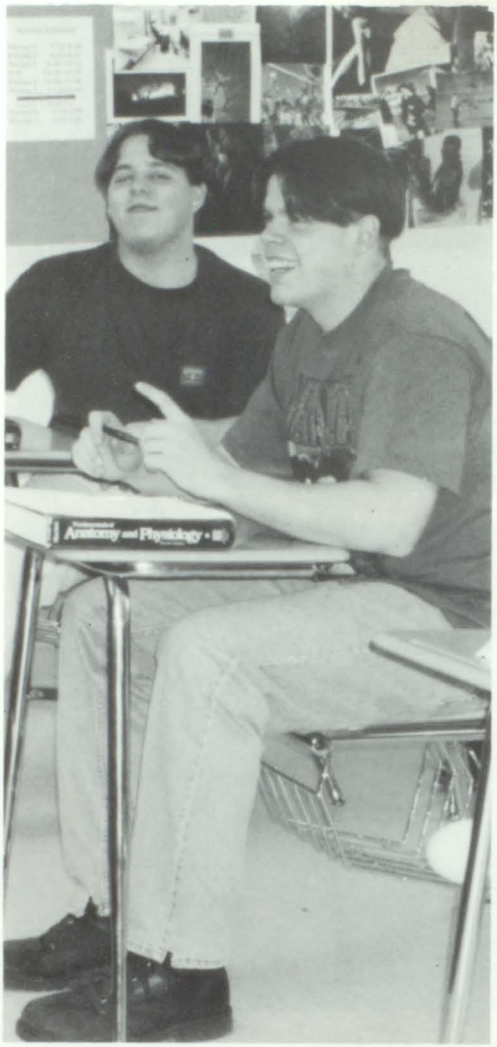
Works Again

The vocational department, once again directed by Mrs. Huber, had another successful year. Mr. Craig's auto mechanics classes had an exceptional time wrenching apart car engines and then rebuilding them. Autos I was offered for the beginning three periods of the day, and Autos II was the concluding three periods of the day. Mr. Waltz's building trades classes moved to a different town, North Webster. They constructed a new home in the Ponderosa Addition. Building trades, like autos, had the same schedule: Building Trades I first three periods, and Building Trades II the last three periods. Mr. Warren continued to teach the agricultural classes, and had yet one more very successful year. The soil judging team, sponsored by Mr. Warren, placed well in the National Soil Judging contest. And finally Mrs. Huber's office lab continued to offer work experience to seniors.

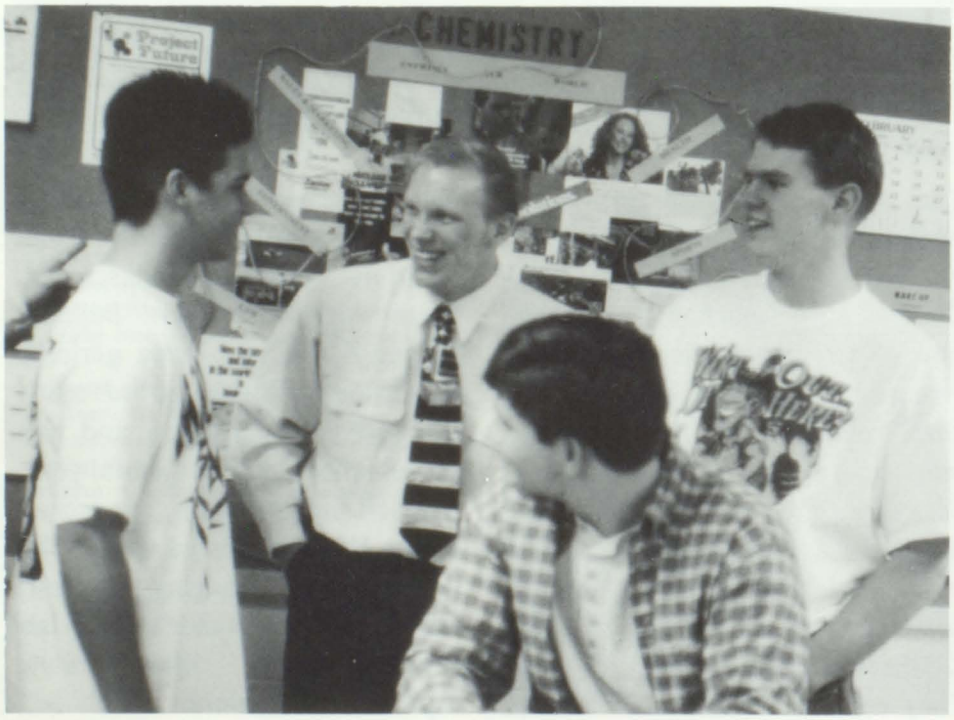
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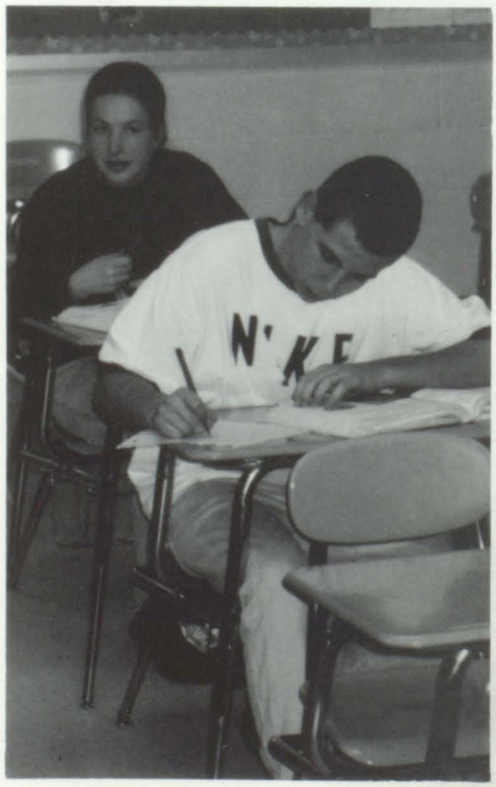
The science department made many changes. Ms. Kline moved to the department full time in order to help lessen the student load on the science teachers. She taught chemistry and physical science. There were other additions to the science department as well. Ms. Jennifer Wilcoxson and Mr. Jim Hite were added to the high school staff. Mr. Hite arrived from the Wawasee Middle School and Ms. Wilcoxson was a first year teacher from Grace College in nearby Warsaw. Chemistry II, offered only once every two years at the high school, was offered in order to give college level work to students interested in chemistry at the college level. Physics II was offered as well for students interested in college level physics. There were only nine students in both Chemistry II and Physics II, and only three students took both of these classes. The classes were taught by both Kitsons, William and Robert, as they continued to serve the high school since its opening in 1969. Mrs. Schumm's biology classes again were busy making bacteria and other such goodies in the lab. All in all, the high school's science department upheld its reputation for excellence.



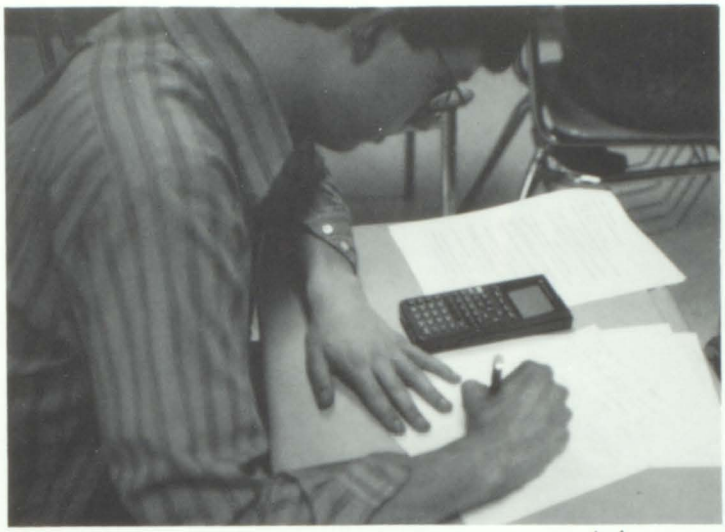
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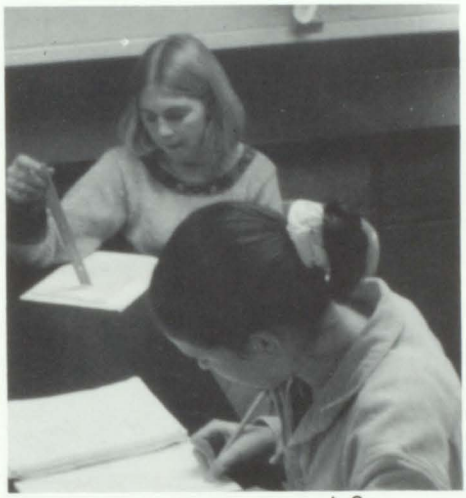
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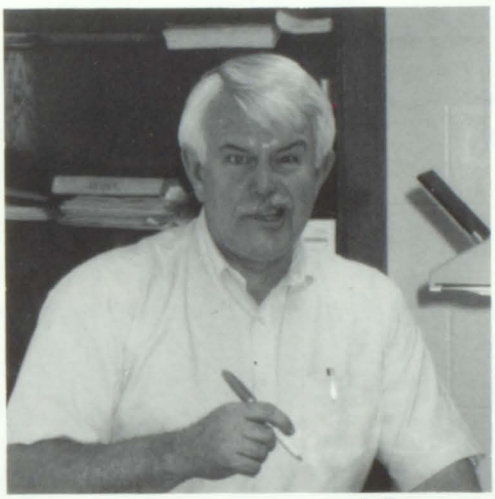
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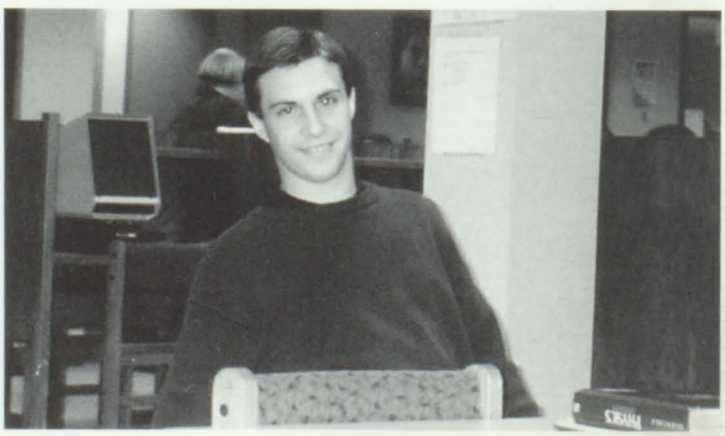
1. Ben Hunsberger and Brad Botts do not appear to be learning a lot in human physiology. 2. Mark Haab, Rusty VanLue, Ken Lawrance, and Ric Speakman are having a lively discussion in Chemistry II. 3. Corey Whetten is studying hard in biology. 4. Chris Sahagun is hard at work on a taxing Chemistry II test. 5. Crystal Grady and Jennifer Wyatt are enjoying the dissection of a fetal pig. 6. Liz Dull and Tiffany Combs are busy studying. 7. Mr. Keiper is obviously not teaching his class anything relevant at this moment. 8. April Salazar is engulfed in her biology work. 9. Science department members are row 1: Mrs. Wilcoxson, Mrs. Schumm; row 2: Mr. Hite, Mr. Keiper, Mr. Lambert, Mr. Robert Kitson, Mr. William Kitson, Mr. O'Dell and Miss Kline.

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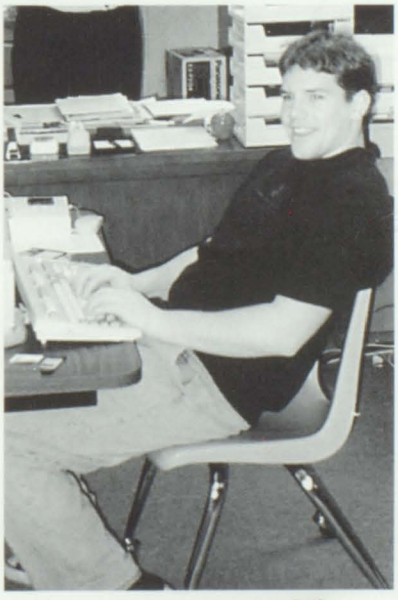
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1. James O'Donnell and Ryan Hoffman seem amused during government. 2. Phil Yargosz enjoys himself in the library. 3. Ben Plikerd has a good time in the production studio. 4. John Campbell looks busy in study hall. 5. Samantha Collins is glad to be distracted from study. 6. Carly Beer, Kari Beer, Abby Weiss, Meghann Stewart, and Seth Scantlen appear to be having a rough day in varsity singers. 7. Aubrey Coy is ready to work on the computers. 8. Chad Fisher and Jaclyn Craver are enthused. 9. Neal Beer loves helping Mr. VanLue 10. Crystal Grady appears to be out of it.

Blasting out of here

In 1997

Seniors

The class of '97 blasted through their last year. Homecoming was a success with the seniors coming in first place overall. They won the penny race, fall fling, and mural competitions. The seniors were *fire* and lit up the '96 homecoming. In November the National Convention was back. The Independent party conquered the Republicans as Chris Sahagun and John Hursh became president and vice-president in the mock election. At the end of November, the bloodmobile arrived again and the response was great with tremendous senior participation (including fainting). In December the seniors collected a total of $1,123.21 for penny pitch, winning the race for the first time in years. The next big events for seniors were spring break in April; the prom in May at Greencroft; and graduation in June.



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1. Brock Bales has fun as master of ceremonies at the talent show. 2. Heather Morgan and Ryan Lemon are enjoying their library time together. 3. Members of the senior class council are row 1: Chad Fisher, Zack Boren, Theresa Lundin, Secretary Alysha Aalbregtse, John Hursh, Vice-President Mark Haab; row 2: Treasurer Heather Lamb, Shawn Johnson, President Sharada Nethaway, Ric Speakman, Elizabeth Dull, Stacey Kraft. 4. Aubrey Coy, Whitney Pilcher, Kristen Sigler, and Kaiyra McLaughlin have big smiles now that they are seniors.



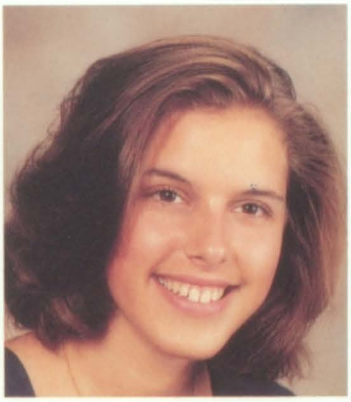
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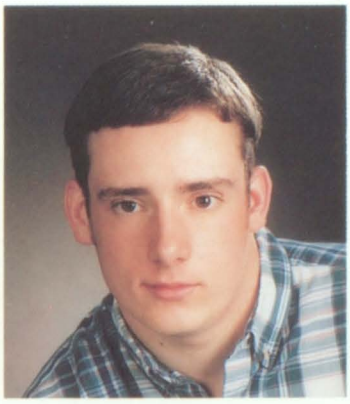
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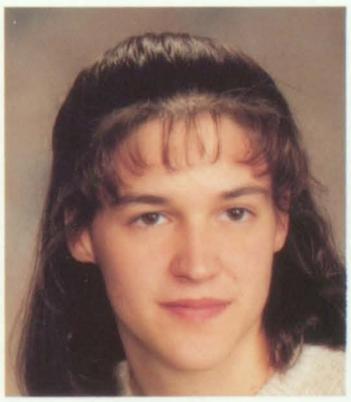
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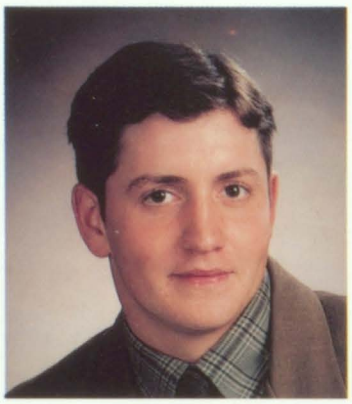
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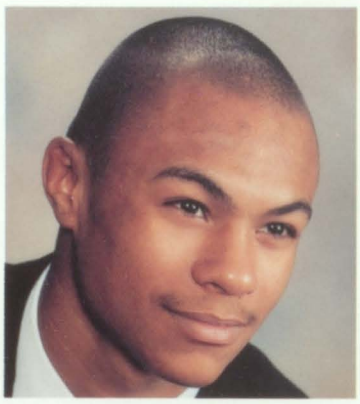
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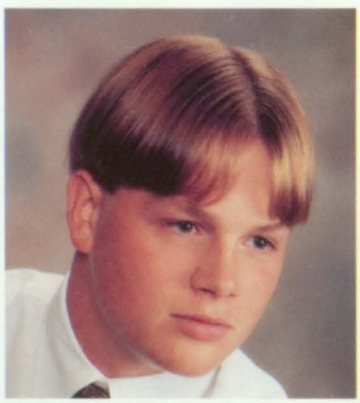
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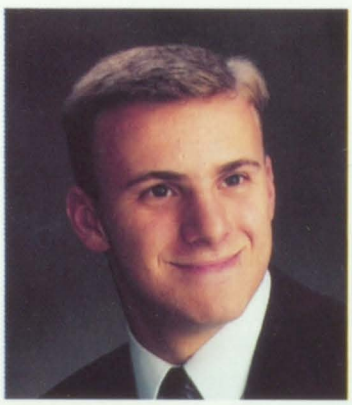
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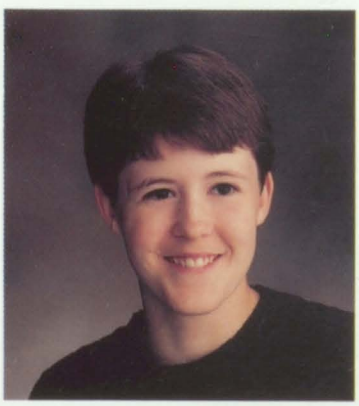
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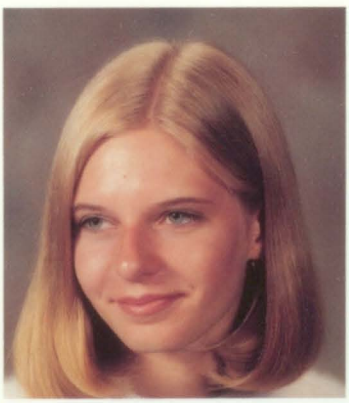
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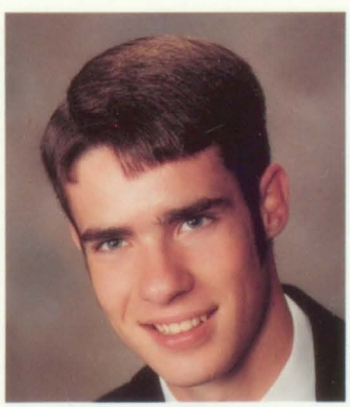
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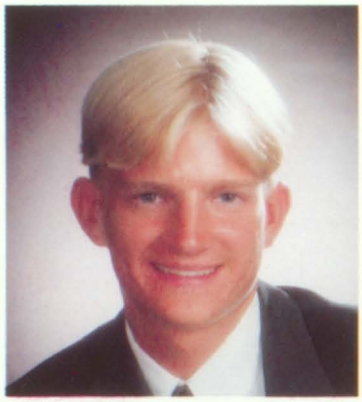
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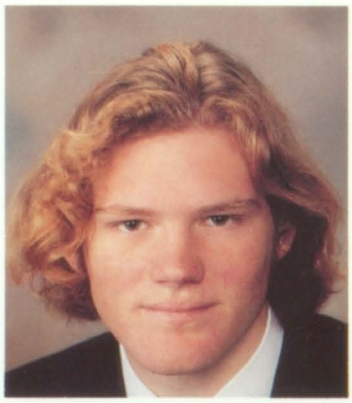
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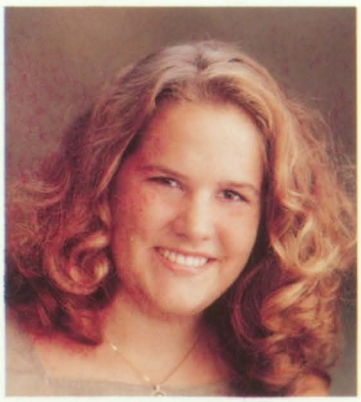
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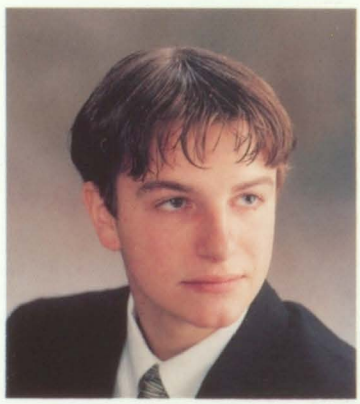
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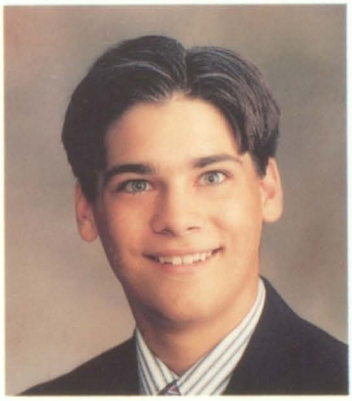
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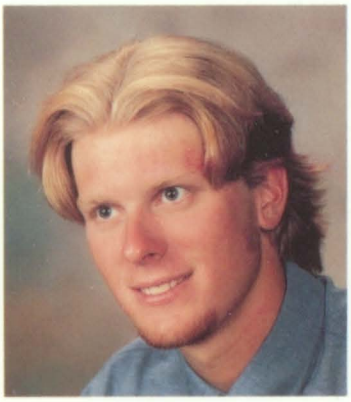
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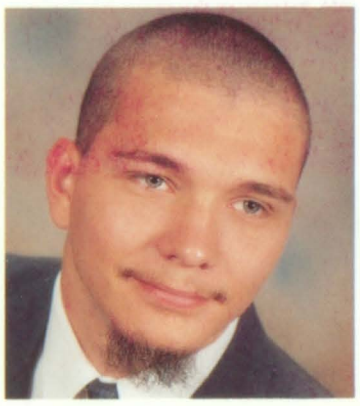
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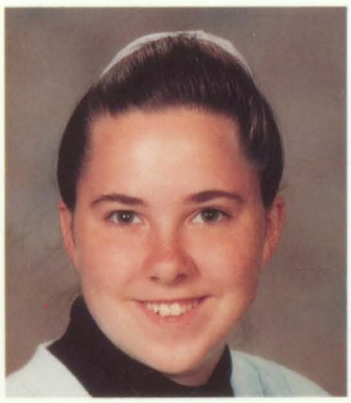
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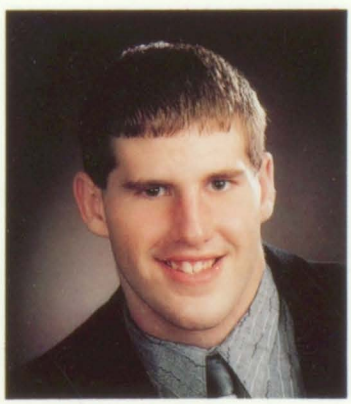
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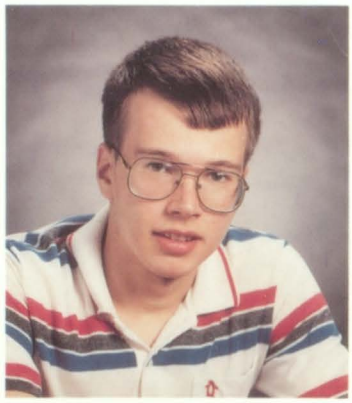
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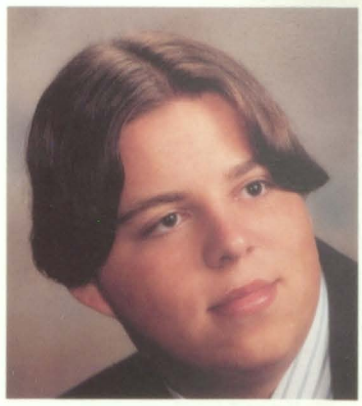
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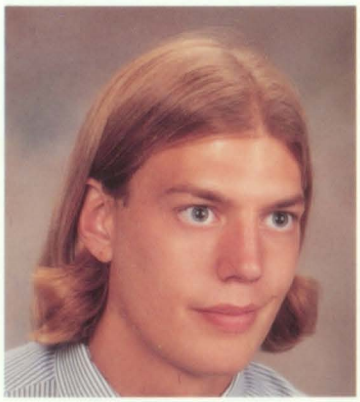
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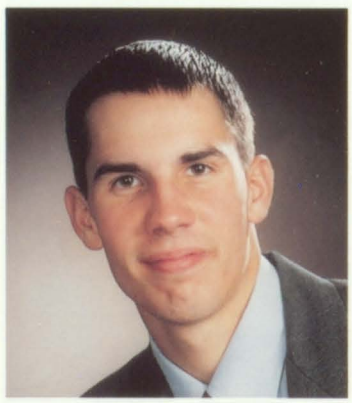
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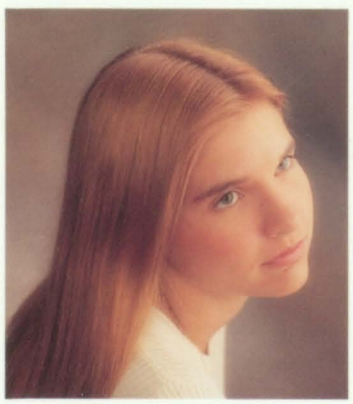
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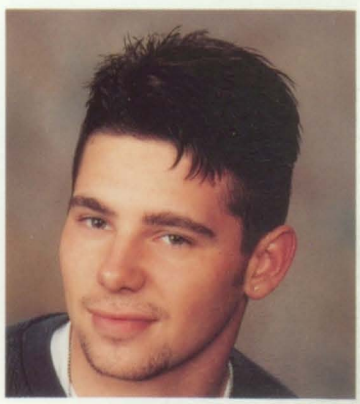
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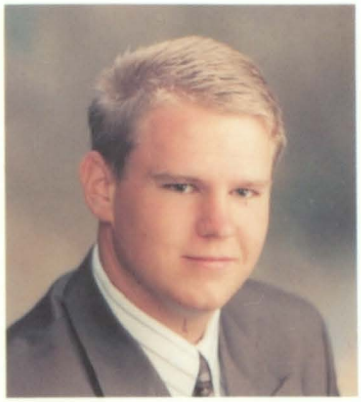
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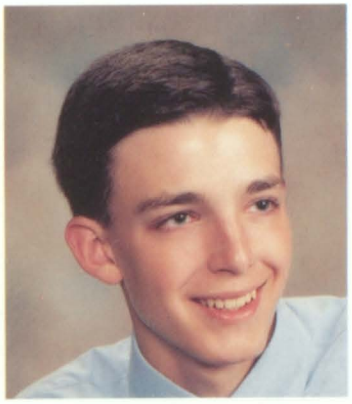
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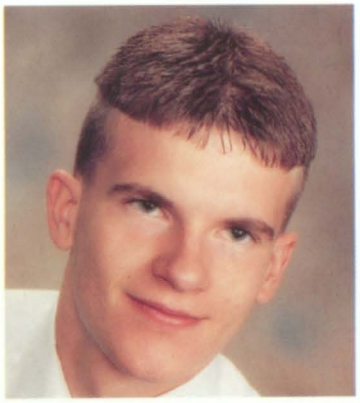
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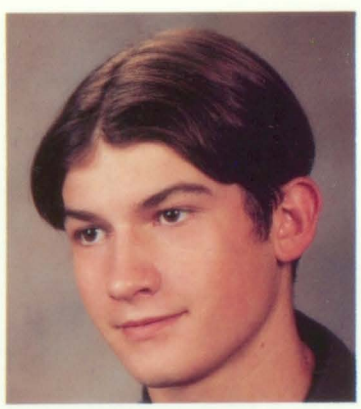
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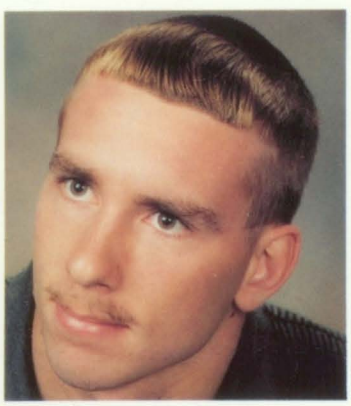
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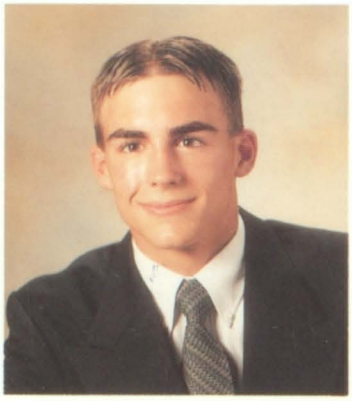
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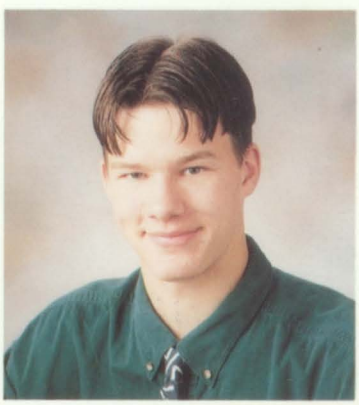
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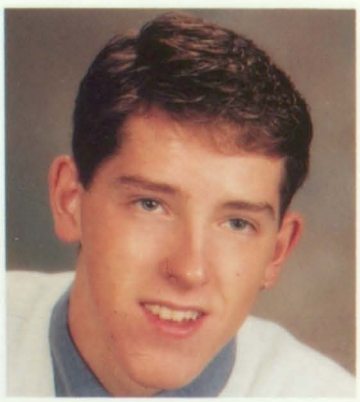
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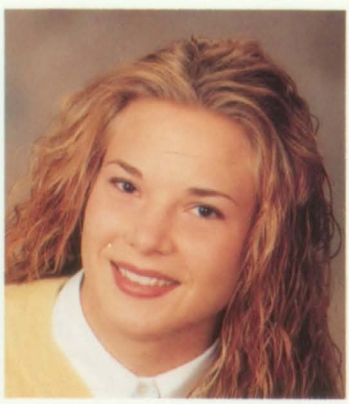
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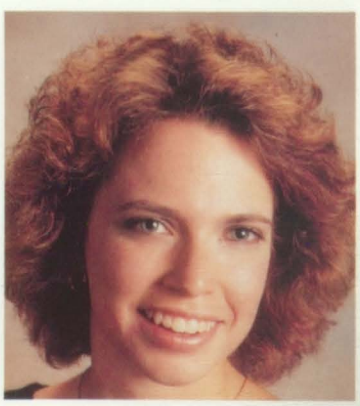
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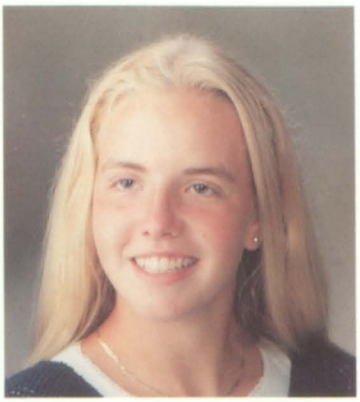


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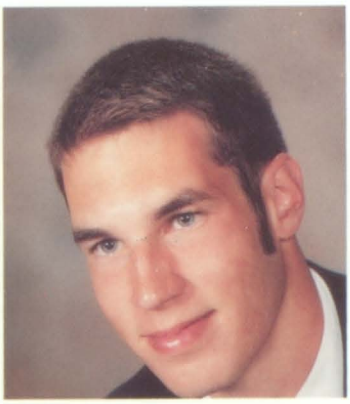




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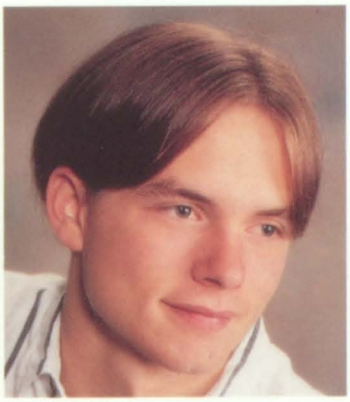
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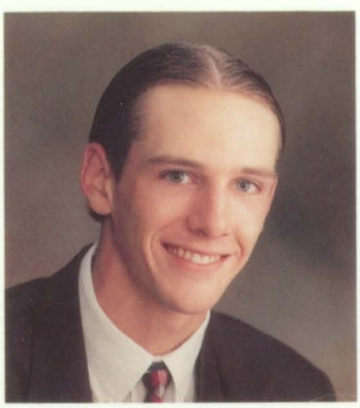
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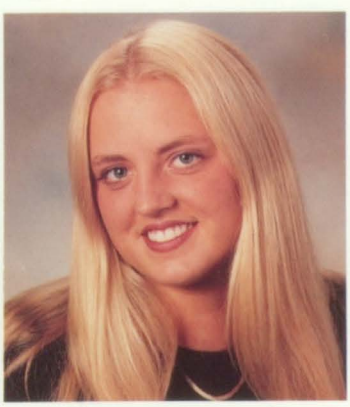
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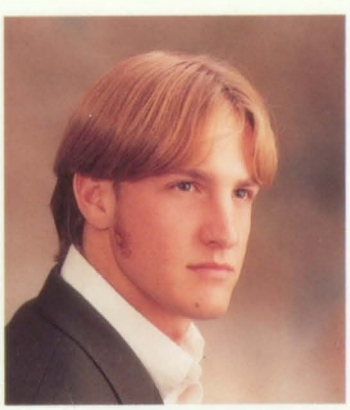
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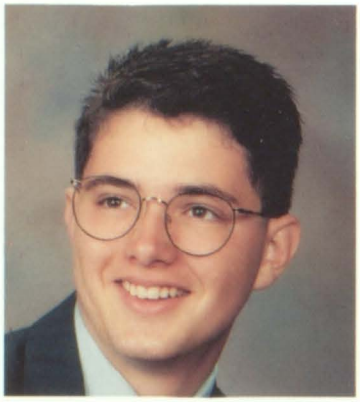
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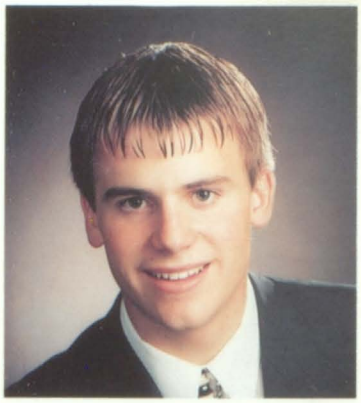
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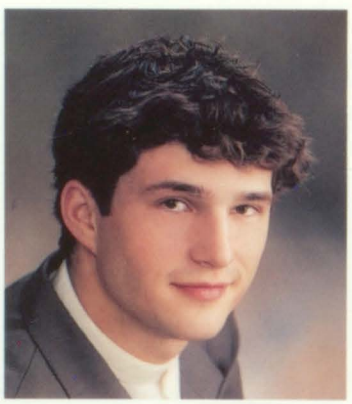
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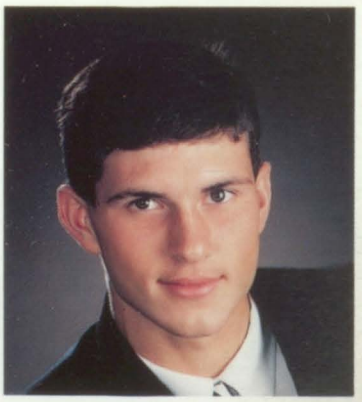
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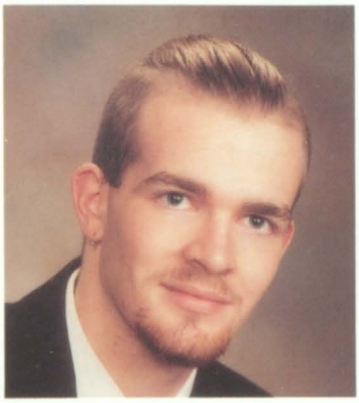
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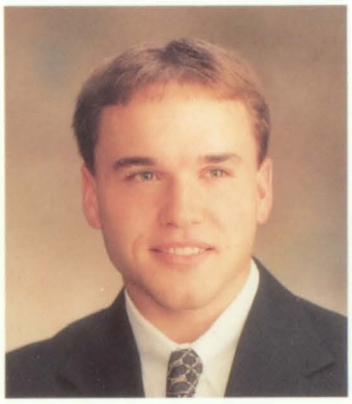
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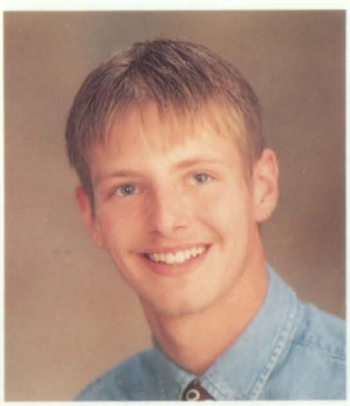
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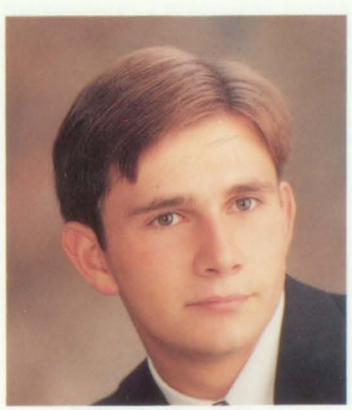
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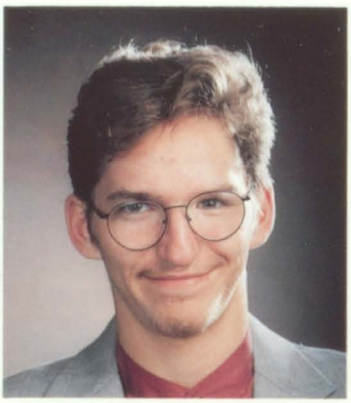
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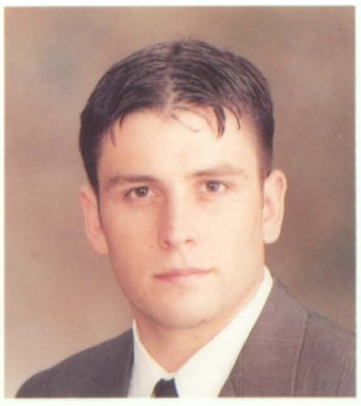
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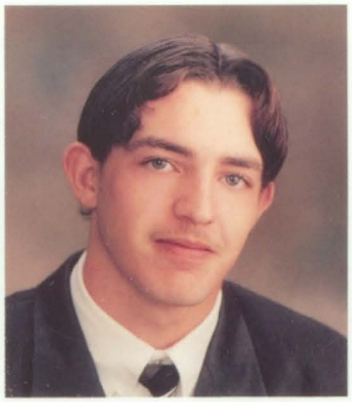
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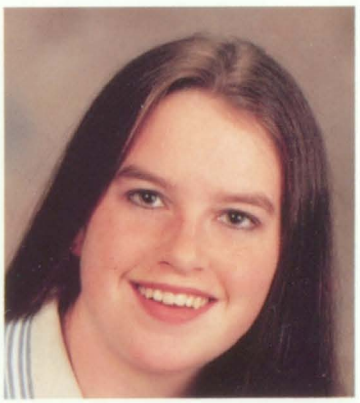
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Jason Lee Weaver



Abby Renae Weiss



Andrea West



Michael Lee Wheat



Faith DeVon White



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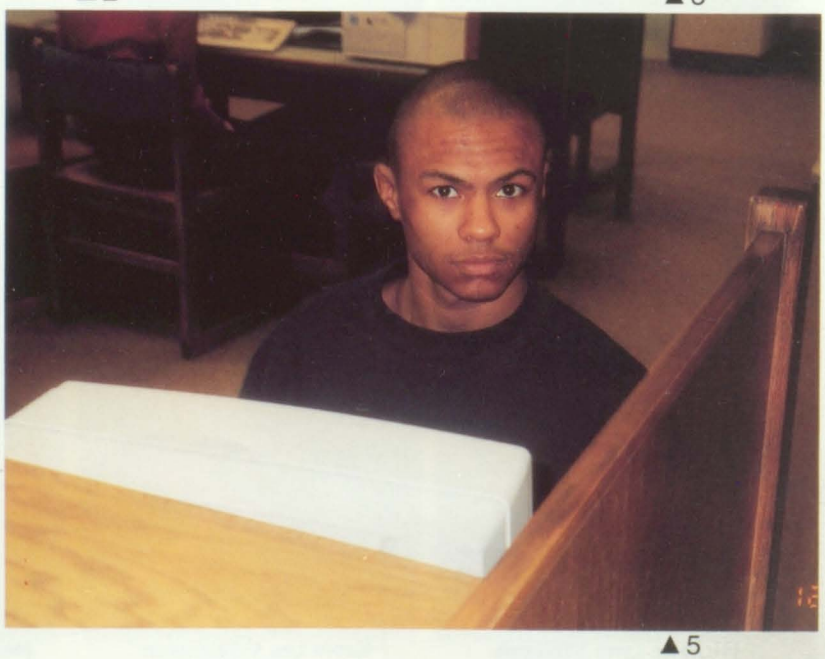
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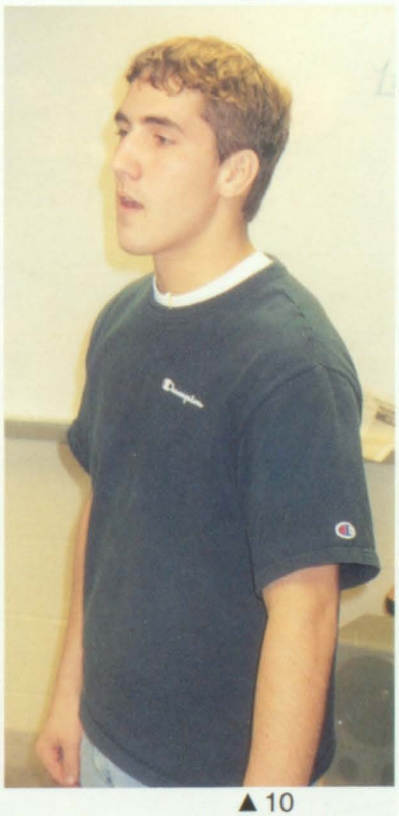
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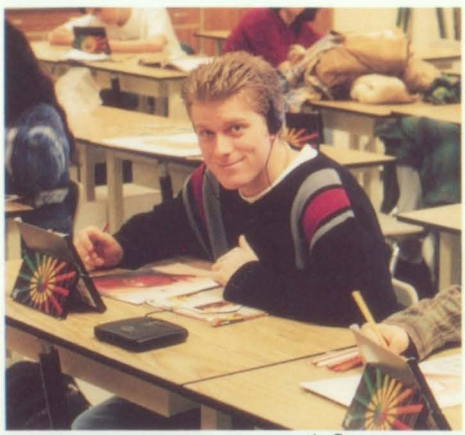
1. Kari Beer takes a nap during HIT. 2. Stacey Kraft, Jenny Szynal, Heather Morgan, Kristen Sigler, Beth Richcreek, and Jill Garber get pumped before the big powder puff game. 3. Jenny Szynal has fun cutting out stars for the float. 4. Ric Speakman works hard with his drill on the float. 5. Darrell Carr takes a break from his computer work. 6. Beth Farrell chases down the camera man (Ora Freeman). 7. The senior class shows their spirit at the fall fling. 8. Chad Fisher shows his massive muscles. 9. Chris Spicher looks forward to lunch. 10. Matt Stump is looking good in yearbook class. 11. Lindsay Kaiser and Tierny Prather are all smiles in the library.



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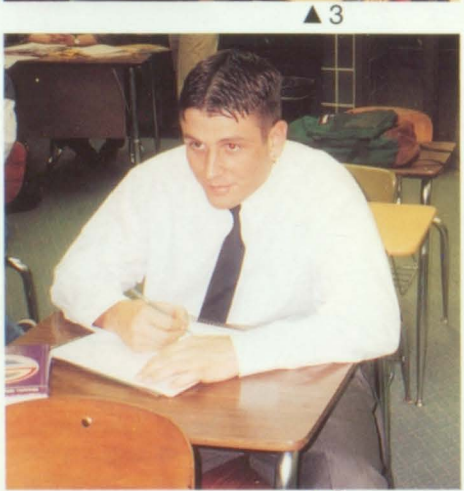
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1. Heather Morgan and Kristen Sigler decorate their parking space around Sarah Korenstra. 2. Ryan Botts and John Hursh are enjoying each other's company. 3. Ross Hensler is jamming in art class. 4. Stacy Naugler and Crystal Whitacre tug hard for a senior victory at fall fling. 5. Joe Long passes on his knowledge in the LRC. 6. Jeremy Walls looks pretty spiffy today. 7. Amy Cockburn ponders an answer during English. 8. Ryan Moore really enjoys doing his government.



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I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard him call.
I turned my back and left it all.

I could not stay another day
To laugh, to love, to work, or play.
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that place at the close of day.

If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, yes, these things, I too, will miss.

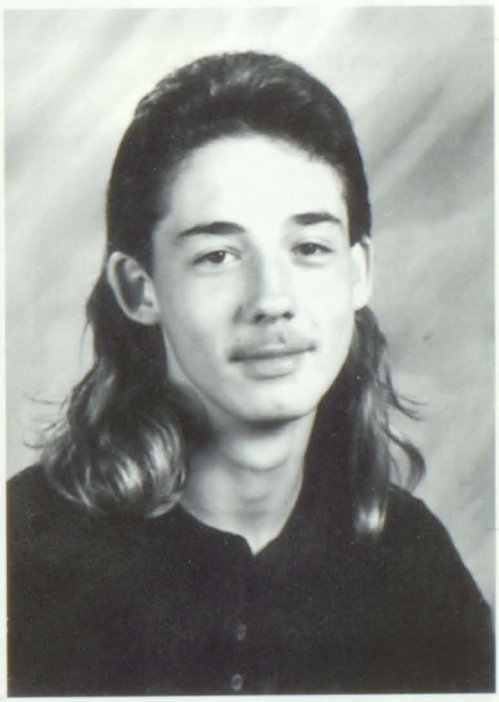
Be not burdened with times of sorrow.
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full; I savored much:
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.

Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me.
God wanted me now; He set me free.

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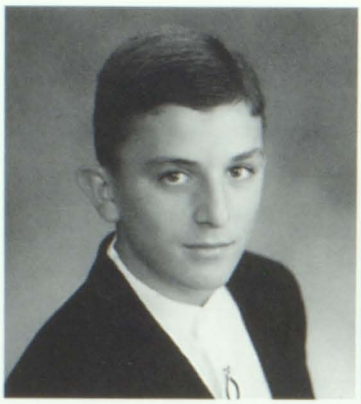


Chad Beer



Shane Ward

Sam Cannon



Troy L. Hendricks



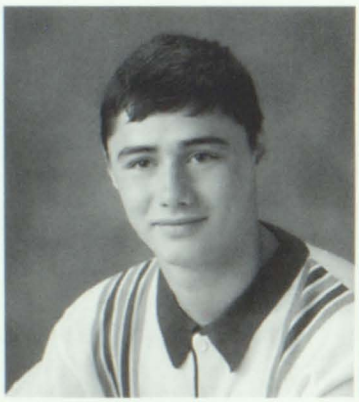
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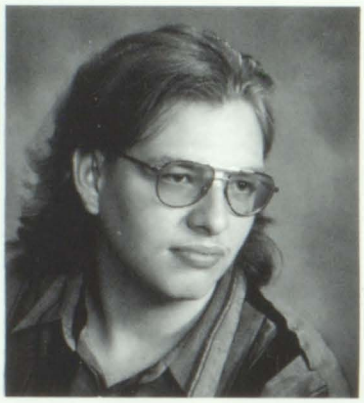
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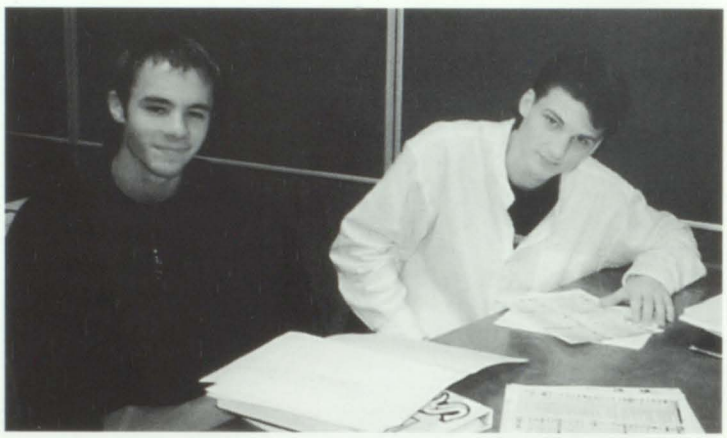
Amanda Jo McGuire



John Morehead



Mathew J. Perry



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1. Zach Boren and K.P. Bernicky breeze through their economics class. 2. Liz Cole and Rob Pinney love working on underclassman pictures. 3. Jaclyn Craver and Ora Freeman are enjoying each other's company



Parent Patrons

Andrea and Tom Barker
Mark and Kim Botts
Andrea Newman and Carlos Bradley
Bob and Judy Burke
Bob and Sue Cockburn
Thomas and Connie Combs
Jeff and Susan Corn
Scott and Debby Eddy
Mike and Karen Grady
Gary and Christina Gregory
Alvin and Carol Haab
Lynn E. Hively
Phil and Sixta Hoover
Steve and Bridget Johnson
Stewart and Susan Kraft
Derk and Kay Kuhn
Chuck and Peg Lawrance
Greg and Sheree Long
Rich and Anna Lundin
Dennis and Margaret Meyer
Russ and Pat Mikel
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David and Gladys Morgan
Nancy Nelson
Dave and Bev Reynolds
Ken and Terry Sahagun
Bryan and Kathy Shivers
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AN AFFAIR TO REMEMBER

SENIOR PROM

BOURBON STREET

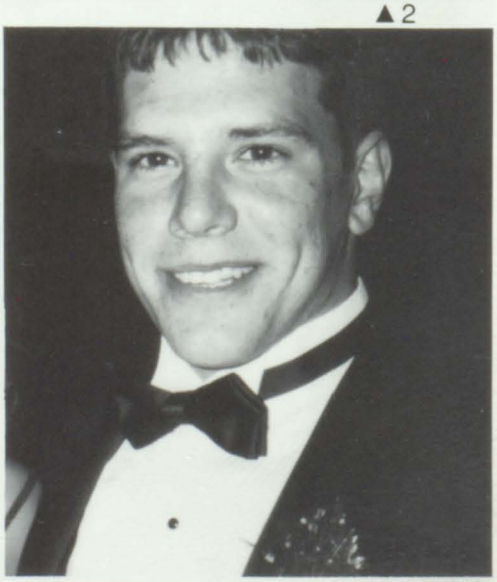
Prom was a wonderful success. The theme, which was voted on by the senior class, was Bourbon Street. Members of the prom committee worked extra hours preparing to make it special. Saturday morning, May 17, volunteers went to Greencroft to decorate for later that evening. There was a great turn out with over 200 students making an appearance to enjoy the dancing. Members of the faculty also were there to make sure things ran smoothly and to serve cake and punch to the prom guests. Parents were involved in this popular event by providing valet parking. Prom started at 9:00 and lasted until 12:00 midnight. There were quite a few tired dancers that left that evening. After Prom started at 1:30 in the morning and continued until 5:00. Thanks to the parents' hard work, After Prom was success. There were basketball, volleyball, karaoke, and a hypnotist, the main attraction. Jody Brown, James O'Donnell, David Close, Chad Fisher, Beth Richcreek, Orie Conley, Rob Burke, Isaac Ritter, Shawn Johnson, and Jon Kern all participated by being hypnotized. What an experience! Nobody went hungry since there was Pizza Hut pizza, egg rolls, Twinkies, fruit and veggie trays, and pop. The hallway outside the gym was neatly decorated with murals done by the commercial design class. The end of prom weekend was the class trip to Cedar Point. Two Greyhound buses left at 6:30 Sunday morning carrying 90 very tired students. They arrived safely back home around 9:30 Sunday night in the middle of tornado and storm watches. Prom weekend was indeed an affair to remember.



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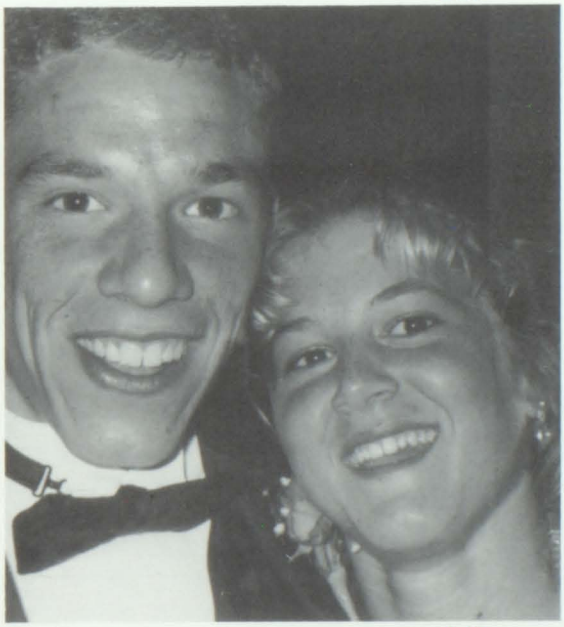
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1. Heather Morgan and Luke Sawyer are chosen prom queen and king. 2. Amy Cockburn and Angie Hoover sing along with the band. 3. Neal Beer is all dressed up. 4. Orie Conley and Danielle Birkel look stunning. 5. Amy Cockburn, Aubrey Coy, and Beth Farrell perform a group dance. 6. Liz Dull, Jody Brown, and Ben Hunsberger walk onto the dance floor. 7. Ken Lawrence, Ben Hunsberger, Phil Yargosz, and Neal Beer take time out from dancing. Phil, how much punch have you had? 8. Ryan Mikel and Alysha Aalbregtse have a great time at prom. 9. Christine Shivers and Heather Lamb share a laugh.

Honors and Awards

Department Awards

Agriculture.....Ryan Harper
Art.....Beth Richcreek
Business.....Kari Beer
Music.....Pat McCauley
Boys' Physical Education.....Rod Holterman
Girls' Physical Education.....Heather Lamb
Industrial Technology.....Ryan Harper.....Jennifer Tudor

Language Arts.....John Hursh
Social Studies.....John Hursh
Mathematics.....Ken Lawrance
Science.....Travis Coy
Foreign Language, French.....Philip Kuhn
Foreign Language, German.....Anke Mulder
Foreign Language, Spanish.....Sharada Nethaway
Foreign Language.....April Hershberger

Special Awards & Scholarships

Senior Athletic Scholarship Achievement Award.....Sharada Nethaway.....Ric Speakman
Wawasee High School Best of the Art Show Award.....Beth Richcreek
South Bend Tribune Best Staffer Award.....John Hursh
The *Legend* Most Valuable Staff Member.....Jaclyn Craver
David S. Blackwell Scholarship Award.....Robyn Elliott
Ralph Thornburg Family Scholarship.....Kendra Damer.....Heather Lamb.....Aubrey Coy
Marilynne J. Curtis Founder's Scholarship.....Kristine Shivers
First Federal Savings Bank of Wabash Citizenship Award.....Ken Lawrance
Michael Johnson Memorial Scholarship.....Ben Plikerd.....Kassie Plikerd
.....Chris Sahagun.....Kelly Whitesel
International Palace Of Sports Youth Foundation Award.....Mark Leinbach.....Abby Weiss
.....Luke Sawyer.....Tierny Prather
Selma McKrill Brown Educational Trust.....Alysha Aalbregtse.....Carly Beer.....Elizabeth Dull
.....Heather Lamb.....Rachel Newcum.....Ben Plikerd.....Jeremy Reynolds
.....Nathan Rogers.....Ric Speakman.....Holly Wagoner.....Michael Wheat
Warrior and Lady Warrior - Athlete of the Year.....Carly Beer.....Ryan Mikel
First National Bank Ringle Scholarship.....Carly Beer.....Matt Engelberth
Chore-Time Brock Scholarship....Kelli Haab...Holly Wagoner....Daron Price....Justin McGowen
Lakeland Kiwanis International Career Award...Kristen Sigler...Kristine Shivers....Abby Weiss
Lakeland Eagles Thornburg Scholarship.....Jennifer Eades
Karen Parr Memorial Scholarship.....John Hursh
Indiana Association of Orthodontists Scholarship.....Carly Beer
Indiana 4-H Foundation Scholarship.....Heather Lamb
Milford Kiwanis Scholarship.....Rebecca Roose.....Jennifer Kuhn
Kosciusko Endowment Youth Services Award.....Ric Speakman
American Legion: Americanism and Government Program.....Steven Ummel
.....Theresa Lundin.....Alicia Prater.....Mark Haab
Psi Iota Xi Sorority Karen Parr Scholarship.....Pat McCauley
Kosciusko Board of Realtors Scholarship.....Jennifer Ganshorn.....Ken Lawrance
Rotary of Syracuse/Wawasee Auto Mechanics Scholarship.....Jason Weaver



Key Club Advisor Senior Award.....Jennifer Rogers
Key Club Lieutenant Governor.....Kristi Brandon
Kosciusko County Hero Award.....Miss Kristin Wooldridge
IU Latino Scholar Award.....April Salazar
Math Contest Award.....Peter Wagoner
Karen Wiggs Drudge Memorial.....Whitney Pilcher
National Merit Commended Students.....Neal Beer
.....Sharada Nethaway
D.A.R. Award.....Sharada Nethaway
Milford P.T.O. Scholarship.....Neal Beer.....Laura Gunden
Wawasee Middle School PTO Scholarship.....Abby Weiss
Syracuse Elementary PTO Scholarship.....Ric Speakman
Hoosier Scholars.....Ric Speakman.....Ken Lawrance
Knights of Columbus.....Jenny Szynal
Dana Corporation Scholarship.....Kristine Shivers.....Chad Fisher
Gasaway Scholarship.....Carly Beer
Wawasee Building Trades Scholarship.....Charles Byrket
.....Jamison Corn
National Hispanic Scholar.....Chris Sahagun
Wawasee Wrestling Club Award.....John Merchant
.....Darrell Carr.....Troy Hendricks
Principal's Leadership Award.....Heather Lamb
Psi Iota Xi Sorority Fine Arts.....Beth Richcreek
Syracuse Lion's Club Scholarship.....Elizabeth Dull
Kosciusko County Personnel Assoc. Scholarship.....Beth Farrell
Northern Indiana Quail Unlimited Scholarship.....Rebecca Roose

Milford Lion's Club Scholarship.....Mark Haab
Wawasee Kiwanis Scholarship.....Jeremy Reynolds
.....Tiffany Combs.....Rachelle Neff.....Carrie Rinker
WCEA Teachers' Scholarship.....Amy Cockburn
McDonald's Scholarship.....Brandy Linville
Women of Today.....Heather Lamb
Lakeland Eagles Forrest Plank Scholarship.....Samantha Collins
Syracuse B.P.W.....Rachael Hively.....Brandy Linville
Jason Mitz Memorial.....Ryan Mikel
Group Dekko Teacher Awards.....Mrs. Brenda Linkey
.....Mr. Kerry Murphy.....Mr. Randy Warren
Copyrite/Ikon Scholarship.....Rob Pinney.....Cassandra Walton
Sprint Scholarship.....Kassie Plikerd
North Webster Lioness Scholarship.....Abby Weiss
Altrusa Club of Warsaw.....Heather Lamb
Anne Dahlstrom Memorial Scholarship.....Variety Adams
Philip K. Fawley Scholarship.....Laura Gunden
Anne T. Dahlstrom Spirit Award.....Rebecca Roose
Wilson - Rhodes Memorial Scholarship.....Stacey Kraft
Kosciusko County Farm Bureau.....Rachelle Neff
Free and Accepted Masons Scholarship.....Heather Lamb
Tri Kappa Scholarship.....Jody Brown.....Chad Fisher
Archibald Baumgartner Memorial Scholarship...Stefanie Tarner
Oakwood Foundation Scholarship.....Charles Byrket
Everett and Ethel Vandermark Scholarship.....Heather Lamb
Jeld-Wen, Inc.....Ryan Lemon

Academic Hall of Fame

Variety Adams
Chris Beatty
Carly Beer
Kari Beer
Neal Beer
Zachary Boren
Jody Brown
Casey Burnworth
Amy Cockburn
Tiffany Combs
Aubrey Coy
Jaclyn Craver
Kendra Damer
Elizabeth Dull
Renee Elliott
Matt Engelberth
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Honors Diploma

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Distinction

Holly Hudson
Heather Lamb
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Highest Distinction

Carly Beer
Kari Beer
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Salutatorian

Kenneth W. Lawrance

Valedictorian

Richard O. Speakman



Tomorrow is ours to live

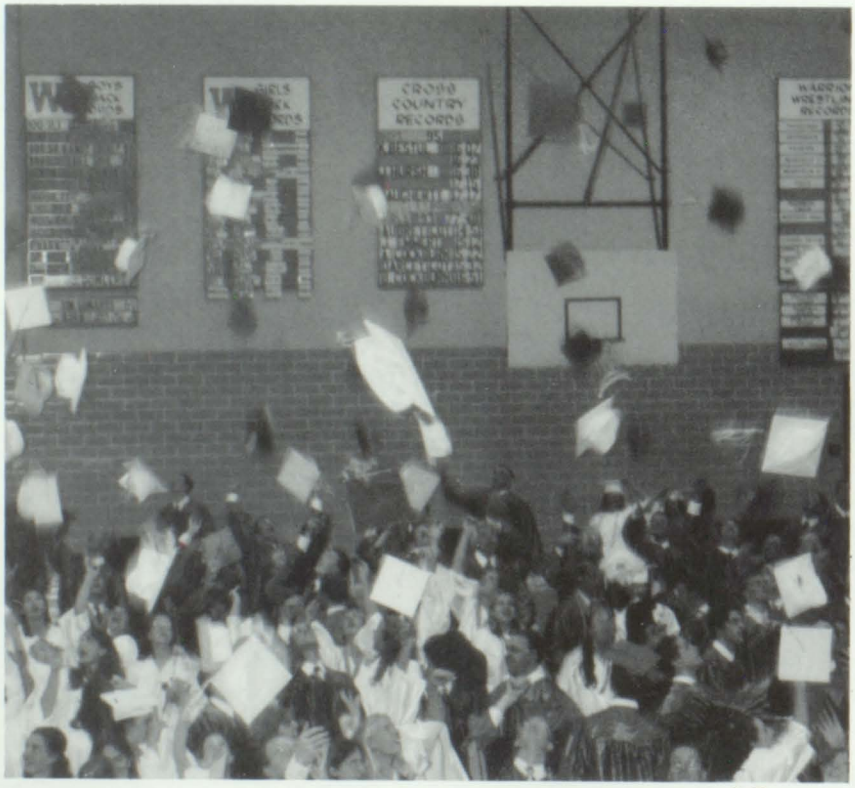
Commencement

Moving on

It had rained all during May, and Sunday, June 1, stayed true to that pattern. As 224 seniors marched in to the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance," the rain fell and the cool wind blew. Inside the gym, however, the welcome given by Mark Stock, superintendent, and senior class president Sharada Nethaway reflected the importance of the day. After the invocation by Gunther Kreps, salutatorian Ken Lawrance spoke to his classmates on the importance of combining imagination with the knowledge they had acquired in their 13 years of education to build themselves a successful future. Following that, valedictorian Ric Speakman used the letters in the word *Wawasee* to reflect on the qualities that had been instilled in all of them during their school years. Mr. Alan Frank, principal, then handed out 219 diplomas and five certificates of attendance to the foreign exchange students as Mr. Dave Matz, vice-principal, read the names. The traditional candlelighting ceremony and the benediction by Kendra Damer followed, and the new graduates marched out of the gym and into the P.E. annex to throw their hats in celebration of their moving on in life.



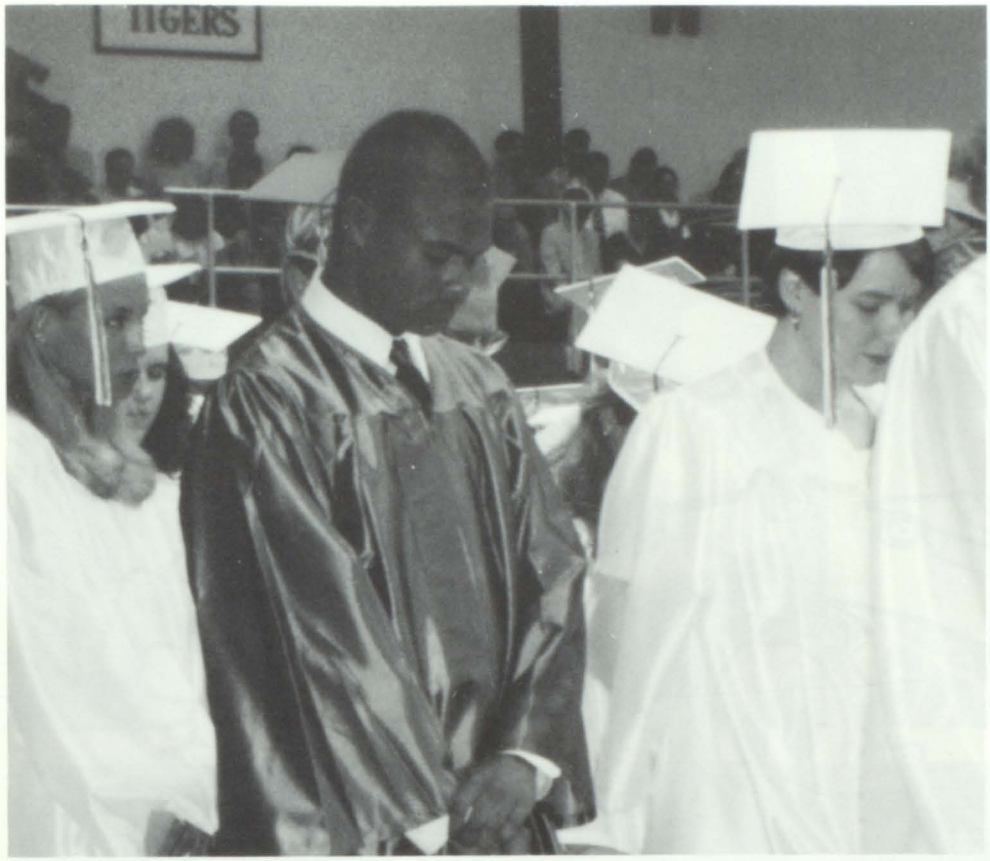
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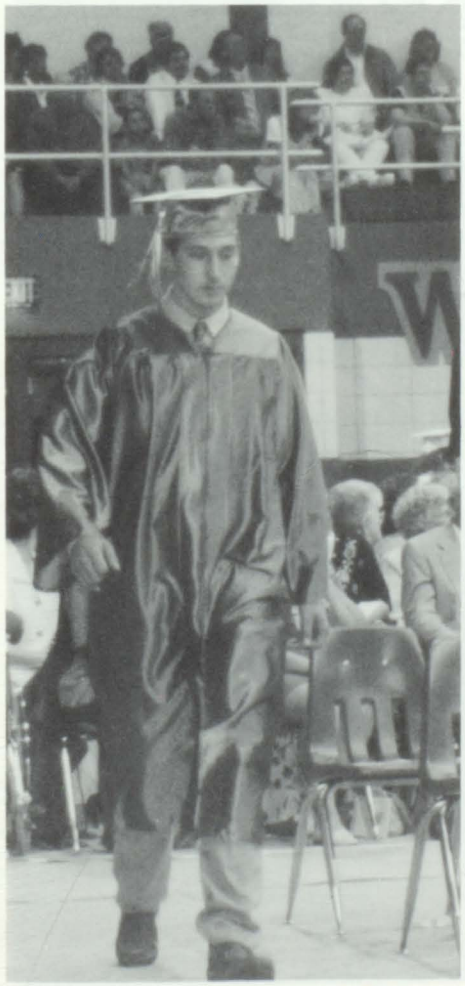
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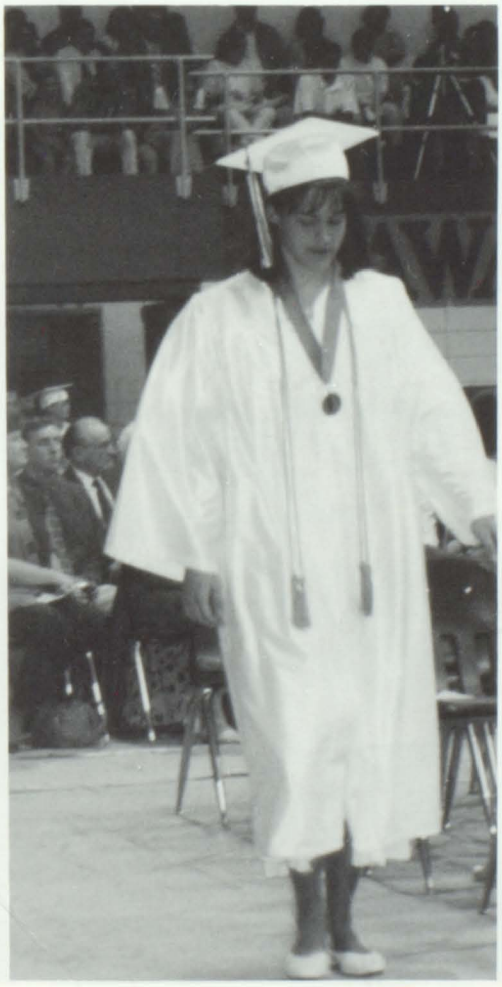
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1. Juan Arroyo has just become a graduate of Wawasee. 2. The traditional tossing of the hats is held in the P.E. annex due to the rain. 3. Mark Haab introduces the salutatorian. 4. Kamby Essig, Darrell Carr and Michelle Williams bow their heads during the invocation. 5. Salutatorian Ken Lawrance speaks to his classmates about the importance of creativity. 6. Ben Hooley has been waiting for this day for 13 years. 7. Kari Beer wears her Academic Hall of Fame cords and her Honors Diploma medal. 8. Kelli Haab is ready for the next phase of her life.

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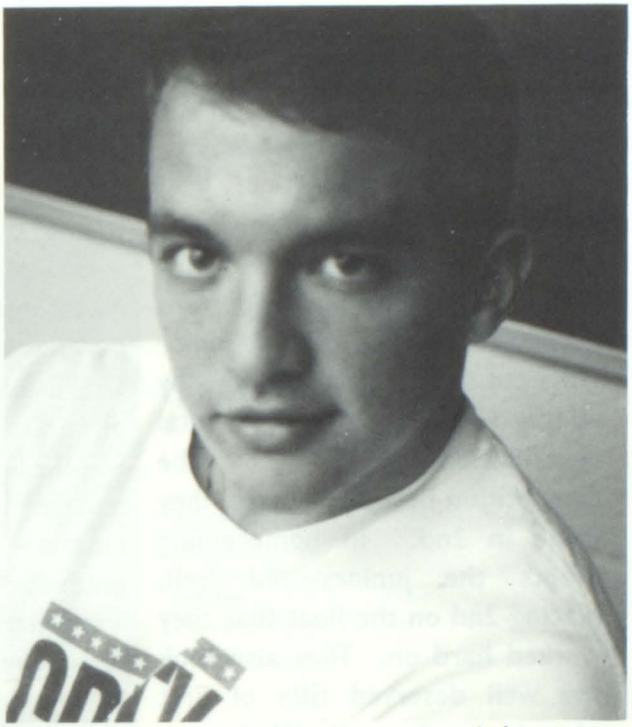
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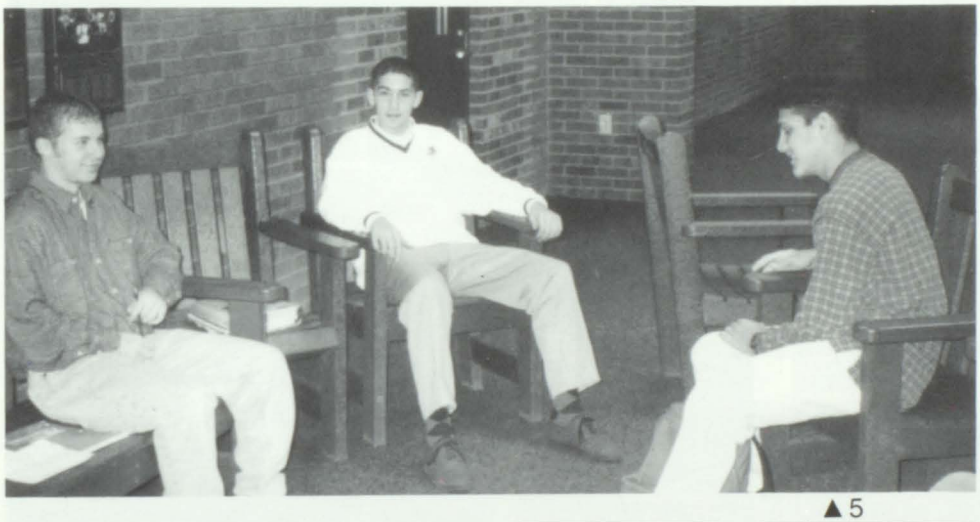
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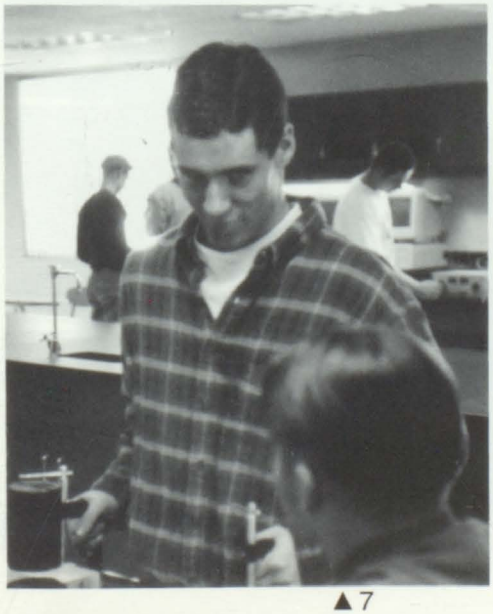
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1. Eric Gillem is having fun in English. 2. Jared Mahnensmith works hard on his chemistry. 3. Jane Wamsley appears flustered by her math assignment. 4. Brad Swope takes a break from his studies. 5. Matt Coy, Josh Zolman, and Ben Heimann relax in the surge area. 6. Kara Mathew looks like she is up to something. 7. Josh Cole tries to understand the lab experiment. 8. Hey, Kassie Biddle and Amber Thomas, aren't you girls supposed to be in class?

As They complete
Juniors

Another Lap



The juniors were well on their way to a great Senior year. The penny pitch was always an important event at Wawasee, and the Junior class put in their contributions by adding $806.50, 26% of the total contributions. In the competition between classes, they came in 2nd. In homecoming events the juniors did well, placing 2nd on the float that they worked hard on. They also took the well deserved title of first place in powder puff. Way to go, class of '98! The junior skit faired well at the talent show pulling in a first place. Unfortunately, the mural did not have as much luck placing last in the competition. The Junior class sales that took place in the fall brought in $6,511.72 profit for the class treasury. Proceeds went to the purchase of caps and gowns for graduation. The class officers were Kari Wortinger, president; Dina Coverstone, vice-president; Rusty VanLue, treasurer; and Lindsay Nagy, secretary.



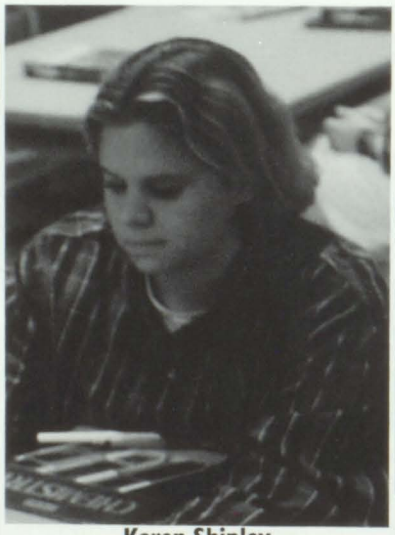
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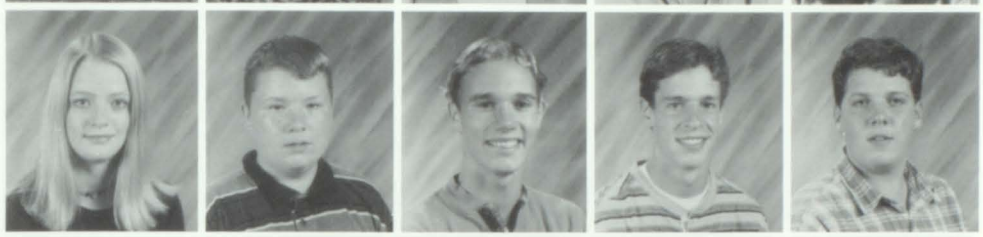
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Joe Baumgartner
Jeff Beer
Marc Beer



Shane Beer
Sonya Beer
Cara Belcher
Shaun Belin
Ray Belsan



Jordan Bender
Bobby Bentley
Adam Bernicky
Stephanie Bess
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Erin Buss
Shiloh Butler
Chad Campbell

Tricia Carlassara
Lydia Carpenter
Jason Carr
Ryan Carrington
Rosalyn Chamberlin



Jessica Christoffel
Josh Church
Mary Cockburn
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Dan Cone



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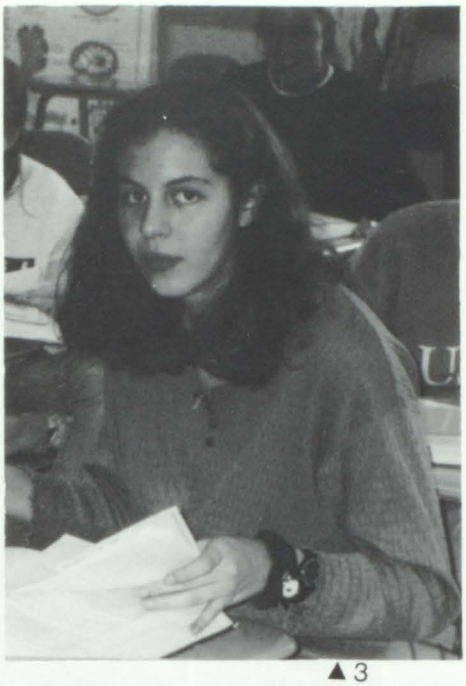




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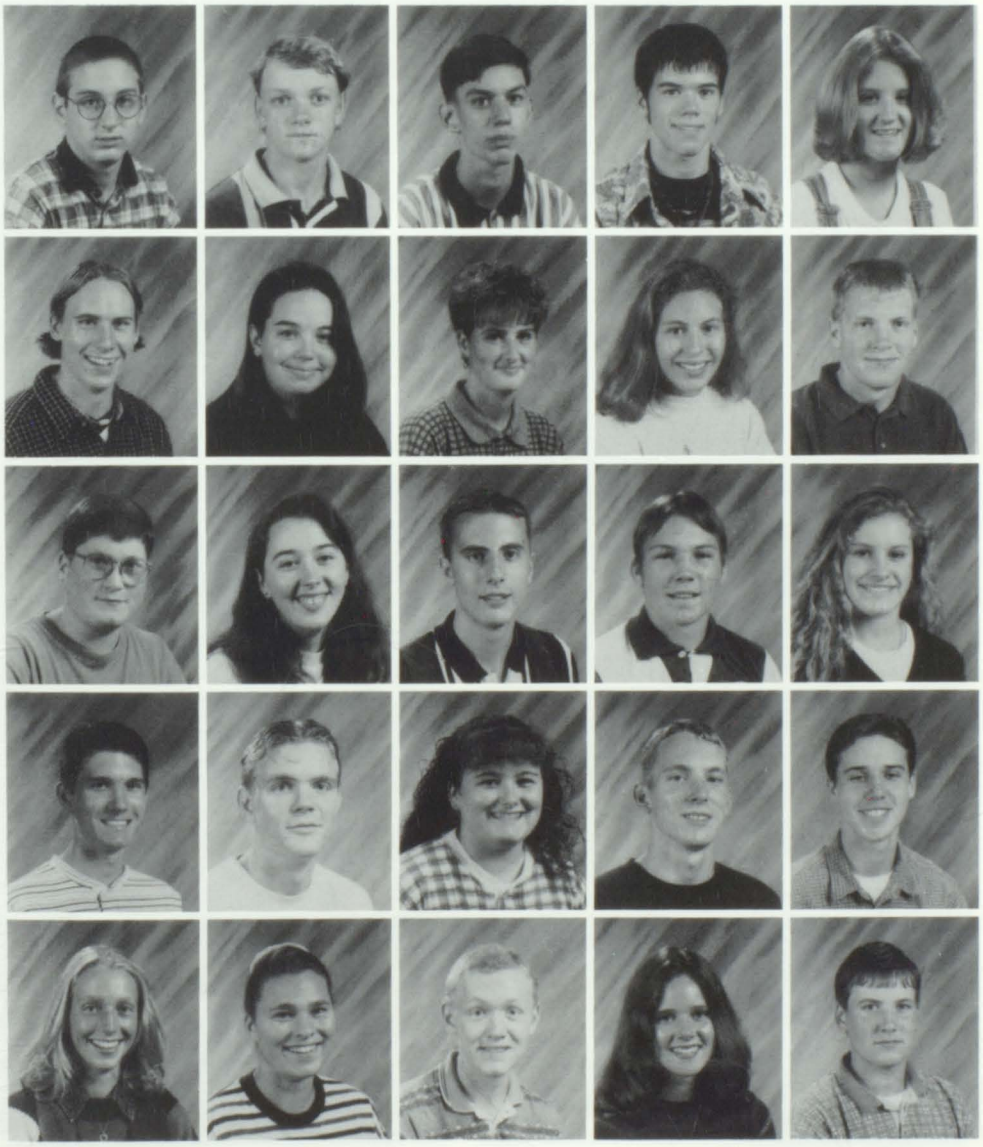


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1. Niko Ioannou carts around during home ec. 2. Troy Niles pays attention in class. 3. Karissa Evans takes a break from a test. 4. Jordan Bender attempts to finish his research paper. 5. Aren't you in TYPING, Andrea VanCleave?



Grant Davidson
Kirby Dean
Matt Doll
Philip Dowden
Amanda Dull

Josh Eby
Natalie Eisaman
Cheri Elkins
Karissa Evans
Jon Flees

Nick Flenar
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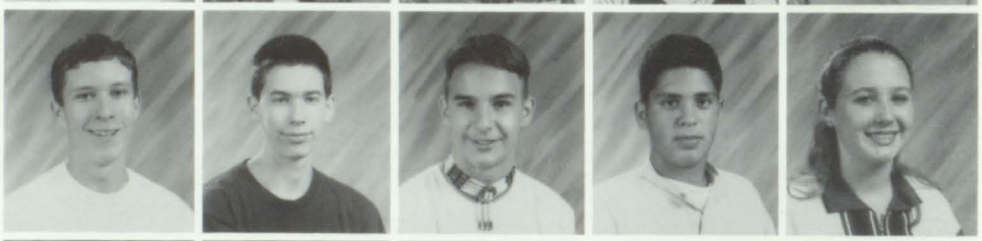


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Bill Guy



Jason Haab
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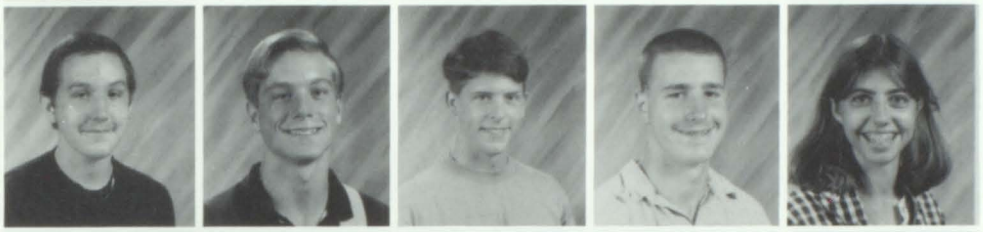
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Jonathan Hurst
Niko Ioannou
Carly Janacek
Aaron Jaress
Russell E. Johnson



Russell S. Johnson
Ryan Johnson
Travis Johnson
Andrew Jones
Heather Kirkwood



Melisa Klinger
Kari Knisely
Breann Koher
Sarah Korenstra
Chris Kozon



Joshua Lantz
Sarah LeCount
Eric Leedy
Joseph Leksich
Rick Lemberg



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1. Aaron Jaress waits for the bell. 2. Kara Mathew, Kari Wortinger, and Shiloh Butler chill in the LRC. 3. Brandon Hoffman shows his skills in shop class. 4. Travis Johnson studies during HIT. 5. What was that, Lydia Carpenter?

Jesse Leonard
Charles Losee
Heather Long
Christine Lewallen
Kristina Lyons



Jared Mahnensmith
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Kara Mathew



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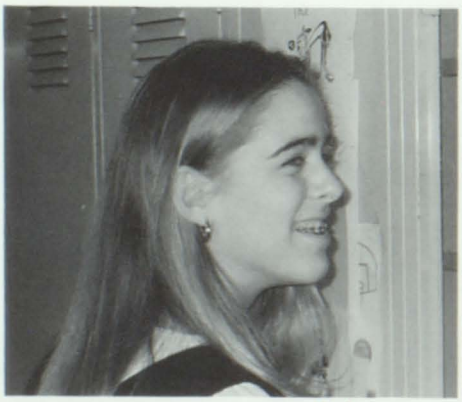


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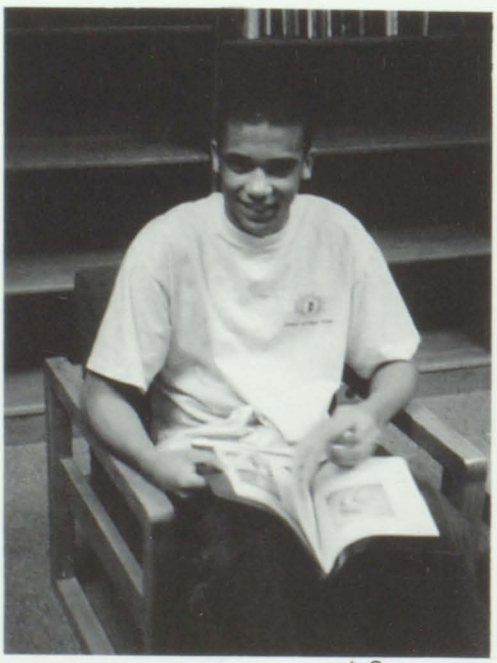
Chasity Miller
Jamie Mock
Jonathan Mock
Rachel Mosco
Israel Myers





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1. Kari Knisley fishes for something in her locker. 2. Jason Carr reads a magazine in the library. 3. Tia Parker receives her awards from the junior class sales. 4. Alicia Umber reads in English class. 5. The three amigos, Johnathon Hulley, Josh Eby, and Scott Ousley, hang in the hall during class.



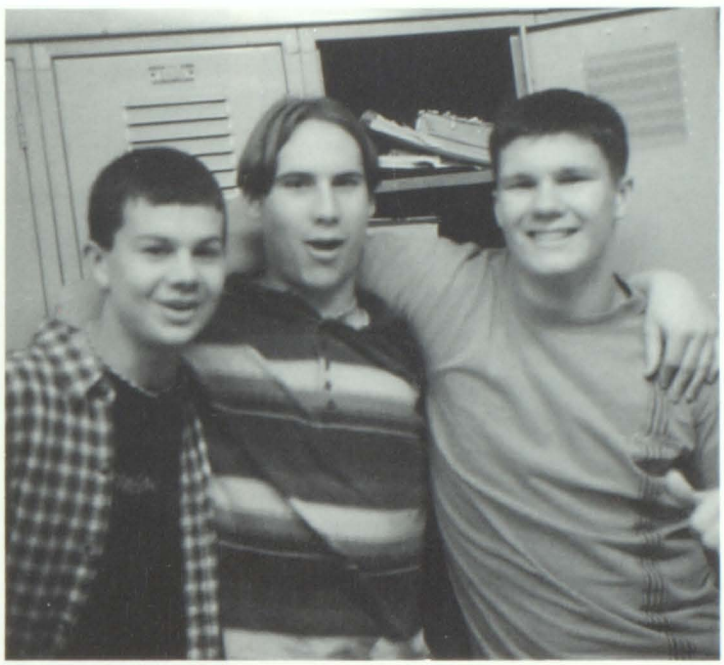
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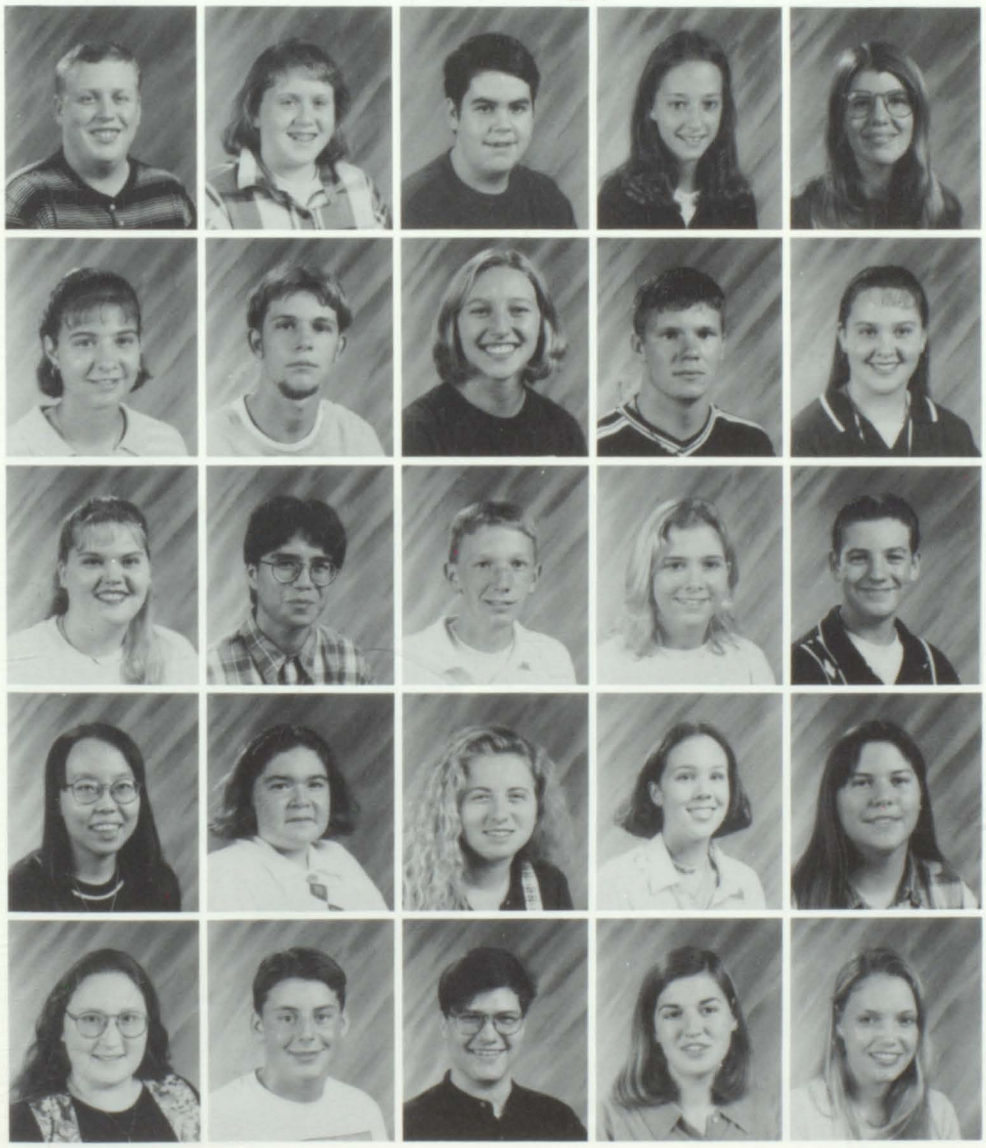
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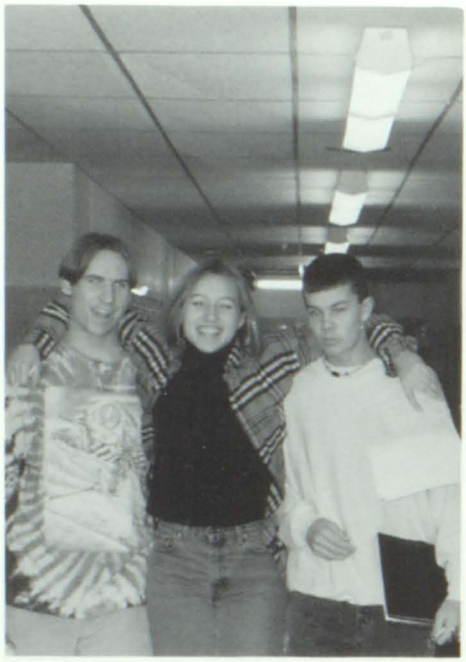
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Israel Perez
Ryan Perzanowski
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Robert Phillips

Shelley Phoun
Elizabeth Pinkerton
Taia Pletcher
Nicole Pope
Latisha Powell

Alicia Prater
Drew Rabb
Daniel Rater
Elizabeth Rehling
Hannah Rensberger



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Darcy Replogle
Lisa Rogers
Randy Rucker
Ronald Rucker
Chris Sabin



Christopher Salyer
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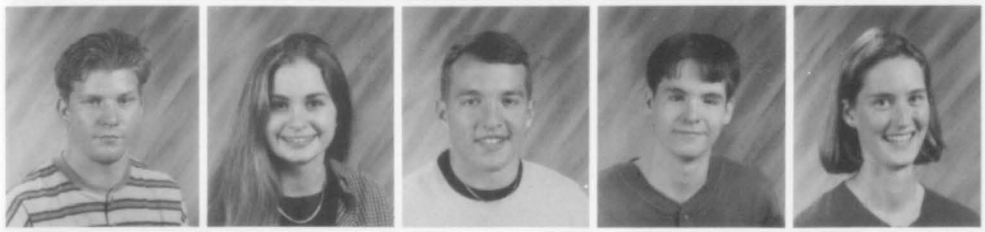
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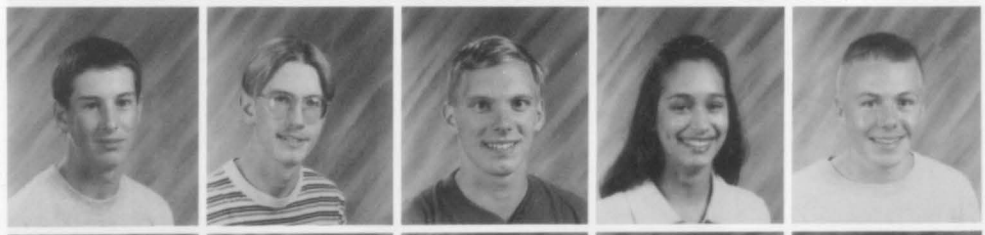
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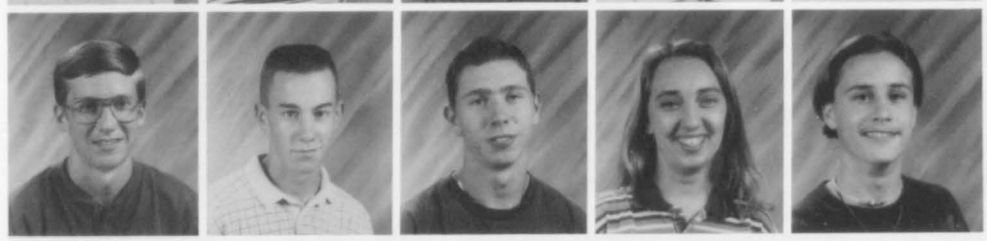
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Steven Ummel
Jody VanLue
Rusty VanLue
Andrea VanCleave
Nick Vanlaningham



Peter Wagoner
Brian Warren
Randy Watts, Jr.
Kristy Waugh
Erik Weaver



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1. Josh Eby, Christa Olson, and Johnathon Hulley pal-around in the halls. 2. Rusty VanLue and Randy Watts finish up lunch. 3. Hey! Kari Wortinger, stop talking and finish your homework. 4. Karissa Evans works hard on physics. 5. Ryan Perzanowski and Farhan Haq help each other out with homework.

Adrienne Weber
Timothy White
Chauncey Wiggs
Connie Willett
Stephanie Wong







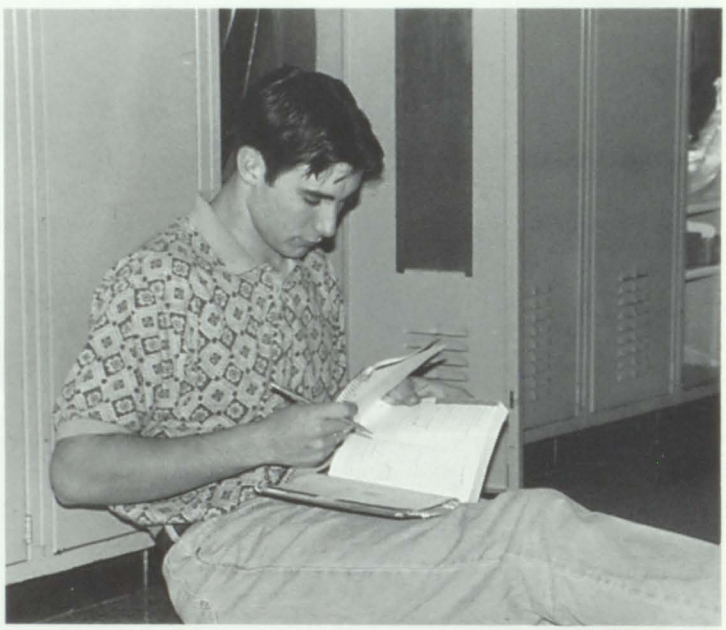
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Kyle Wurtzel



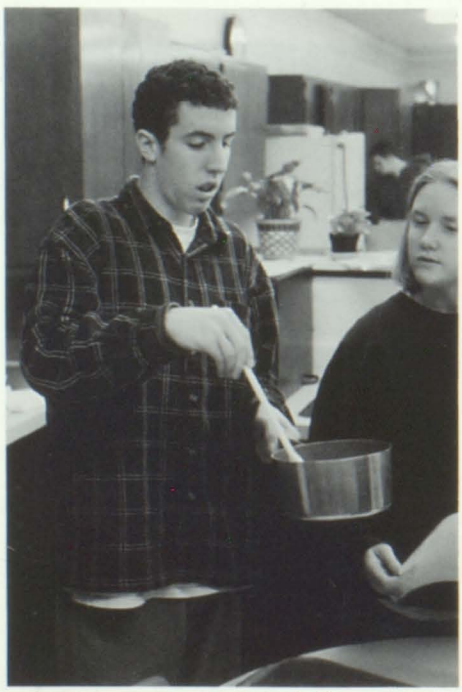





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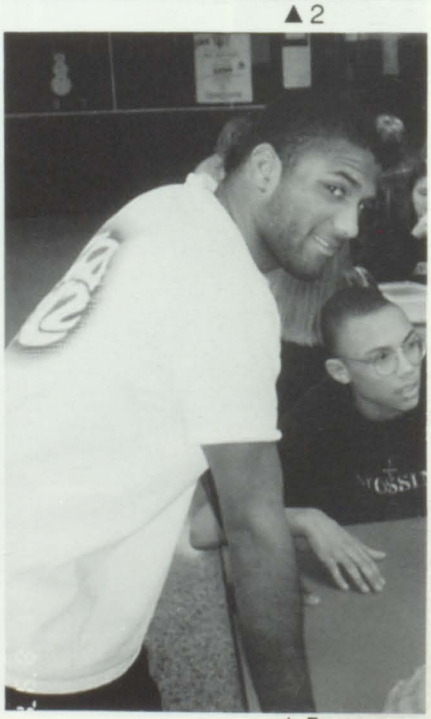
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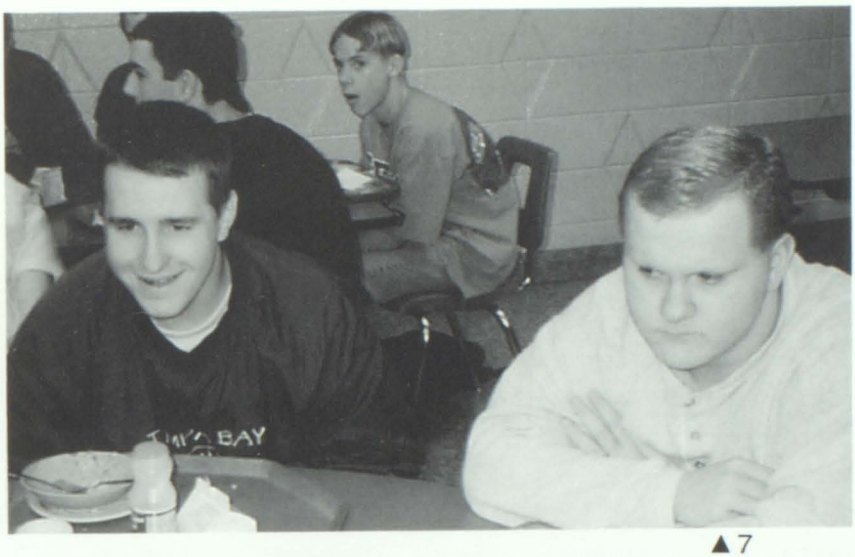
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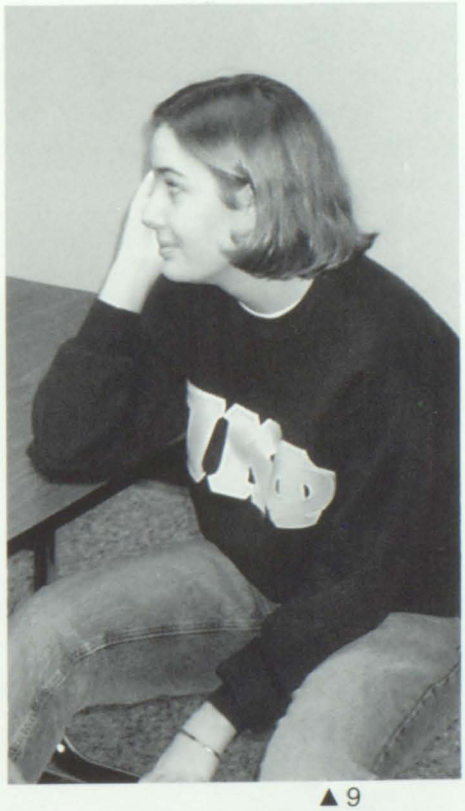
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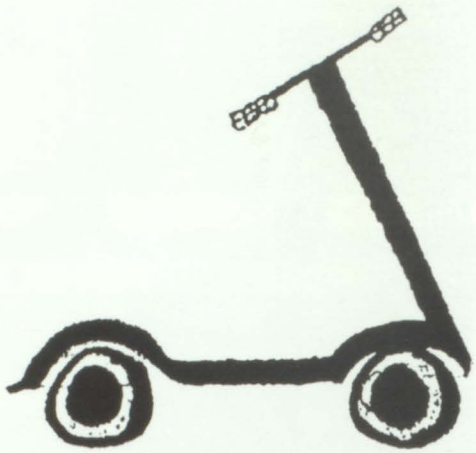
1. Jerod Galloway helps Jeb Freeman with his homework while Philip Dowden has his done. 2. Chris Boyts finishes his English before school. 3. Jean Allen watches while Niko Ioannou stirs his fudge in home ec. 4. Nick Vanlaningham is enjoying his day at school. 5. Shaun Belin converses in the cafeteria. 6. Leigh Anne Gerber strikes a pose. 7. Andrew Jones and Kyle Metcalf eat healthy school lunches. 8. Sarah Korenstra, Karen Shipley, Scott Ousley, Philip Dowden, Ryan Hilgenberg, and Josh Eby chum around before school. 9. Sarah Korenstra wonders what to do now. 10. Junior SRC members are row 1: Karen Shipley, Lindsay Nagy, Dina Coverstone, Sarah Korenstra, and Kassie Biddle; row 2: Dan Cone, Kyle Wurtzel, Kari Knisely, Kari Wortinger, Rusty VanLue, Abby Bultemeier, and Jared Mahnensmith.

Scooting through

Sophomores

THE YEAR

The Sophomore class had a fun and eventful year. They did well during the week of homecoming showing school spirit and participation, receiving a first place with their float. For their mural and skit they placed third. They ended up placing third overall in homecoming activities. During the penny pitch the Sophomore class raised 17% of the school total, putting them in fourth place. In the spring the sophomores sponsored their annual chicken barbecue to help them raise money for their Senior year. Student counsel members were Ben Ashpole, Katy Biddle, Shanda Bucher, Emily Engelberth, Blake Knisely, Michelle Lamb (secretary), Rustin Mikel, Rebekah Neterer, Michael Oswald (treasurer), Skyler Speakman, Traci Speicher, Andrew Thornburg, Jane Wamsley (president), Ryan Yoder.





Kristi Brandon



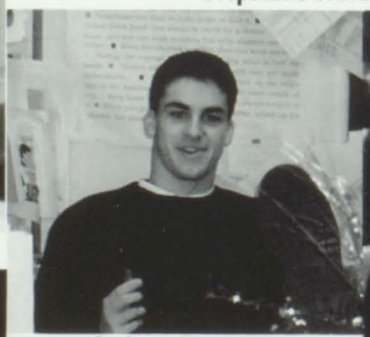
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Jane Wamsley



Andrew Thornburg



Lacey Patterson



Rustin Mikel



Mike Oswald



Vanessa Shafer



Jimmy Adams
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Miranda Aldrich
Julanna Allen



Amanda Alles
Anthony Allman
Brooke Arnold
Ben Ashpole
Lucas Baker



Matt Bauman
James Baumgartner
Marion Beezley
Justin Bell
Brent Berkeypile



Warren Bess
Katy Biddle
Amii Bischof
Mandy Bixler
Tasha Blankenship



Tiffany Bohnstedt
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Courtney Bortz
Erica Bowser
Jennifer Bradley



Kristi Brandon
Jeromie Bright
Jon Brock
Cathryn Brown
Allyson Bruner



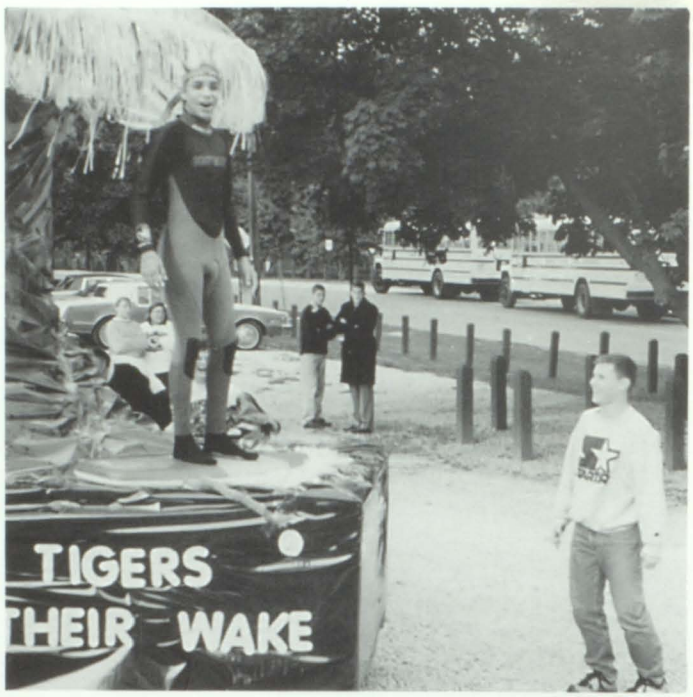
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Anna Byrket
Tara Callahan
Genny Carney
Kevin A. Carr



Kevin M. Carr
Wendy Cavender
Kimber Chang
Andrea Chupp
Justin Clark



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Tyler Cline
Kim Coldren
Andrew Cole
Jeremy Cole
Seth Conley



Christina Coplin
Ann Marie Corbin
Mary Craig
Cory Cripe
Jason Coy



Matt Coy
Travis Cox
Rebecca Darr
Johnny Davis
David Delafuente



Steven Deplanty
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Daniele Dunithan
Lori Eddy



Chris Egolf
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Andy Elliott
Robyn Elliott
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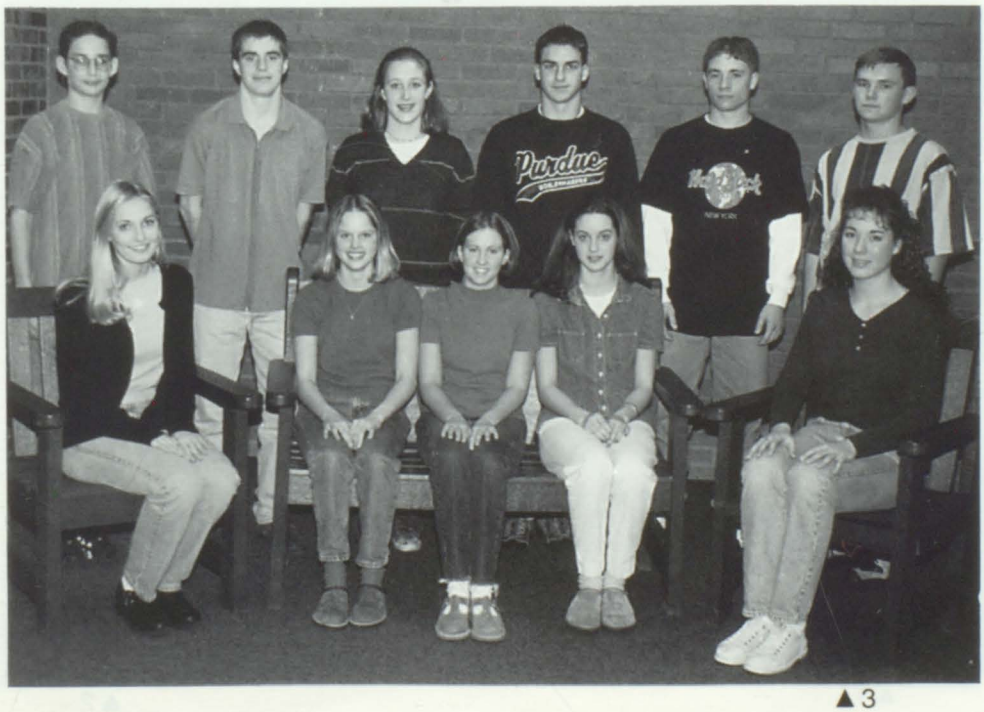
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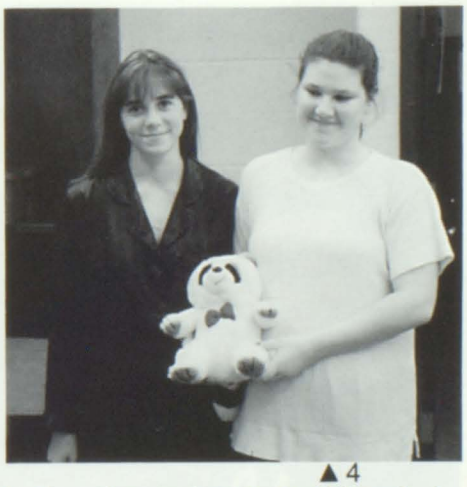
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Corey Hardin
Molly Hare
Sasha Harrington
Bambi Harris
Dena Harter



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1. The sophomores boast a beautiful mural. 2. David Jackson surfs on the sophomore's first place float while Skyler Speakman laughs. 3. Sophomore student council members are row 1: Shandra Bucher, Tracy Speicher, Katy Biddle, Emily Engelberth, and Michelle Lamb; row 2: Ryan Yoder, Mike Oswald, Jane Wamsley, Andrew Thornburg, Rustin Mikel, and Skyler Speakman. 4. Jackie Stanton and Brooke Arnold display their pajamas and teddy bear for homecoming week.

Kristin Hartup
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John Heckaman
Ben Heimann
Jacen Hendricks



Danielle Hickman
Jennifer Hively
Natasha Hodgson
Megan Hoffman
Angela Hollar



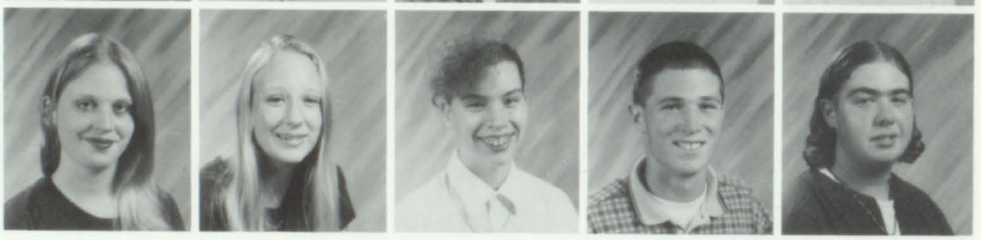
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Bradley Hursh
David Jackson
Rachel Jackson



Laura Johnson
Melissa Lee Johnson
Leah Jones
Kirk Kaiser
Justin Kessler





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1. Dena Harter and Rustin Mikel are thrilled to get the chance to participate in homecoming events. 2. John Heckaman and Anke Mulder eat pie without silverware. 3. Allison Morgan, Traci Speicher, and Katy Biddle prepare for the Powder Puff game. 4. Desirae Slusher gets excited about school.



Richard Kidd
Rachel Kiefer
Kassi Kindlesparker
Megan King
Tabatha King



Christina Knafel
Blake Knisely
Berton Kolberg
David Kreiner
Michelle Lamb



Chris Lambert
Diann Ellen Lantz
Jamie Lemon
Jason Lewallen
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Alena List
Barbara Lockhart
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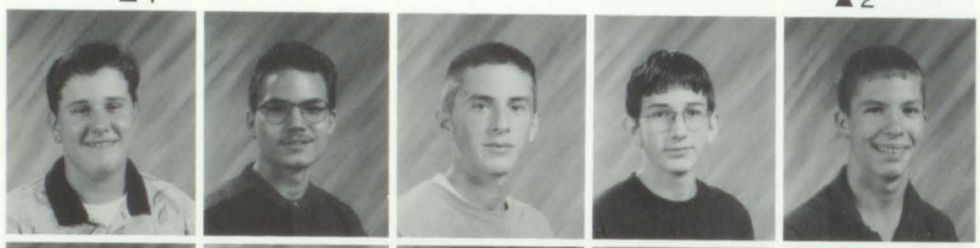


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Tony May
Aaron McFarland
Ken McIntosh



Shawn McMahan
Josh Michael
Rustin Mikel
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Melissa Miller



Tamara Miller
Neal Minnick
Amanda Mitchell
Lisa Mitting
John Mock



Matt Moe
Jeff Moerchen
Alison Morgan
Anke Mulder
Amie Mullins



Jimmy Muzyka
Andrew Napier
Anton Napier
Ben Neff
Julia Neff



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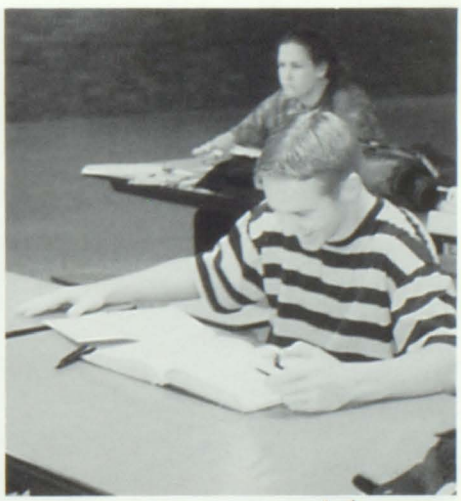
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Aaron Phillips
Eric Pinkerton

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Kara Price
Patrick Price
Belinda Rangel
Melissa Rash



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1. Tabatha King and Tasha Blankenship color in the library. 2. Chris Lambert and Ryan Yoder study their chemistry concepts in the Learning Resource Center. 3. Emily Engelberth, Michelle Lamb, and Amanda Alles take a break from working in the storage room. 4. Chad Wortinger tries to hold in a laugh.

Ashley Ray
Cassandra Reed
Jimmy Reiff
Todd Renier
Roxanne Rensberger



Valerie Reuter
Katie Richardson
Krista Richey
Lacey Robinson
Michael Robinson



Heather Rosenquist
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April Salazar
Jamie Salazar
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Stephen Schaaf
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Jennifer Schisler
Christie Schmidt
Vanessa Shafer



Becca Shankster
Stephanie Shivers
John Shock
Curtis Shoemaker
Tabitha Shoopman





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1. Angie Wiggs and Kirstin Hartup play with beads in biology. 2. Scott White and Josh Zolman relax during their HIT period. 3. Lacey Patterson, Amanda Cripe, and Angie Hollar enjoy their biology class. 4. Christine Vanlaningham tells Stacie Sparks a hilarious joke.



Margaret Shutske
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Desirae Slusher
Ryan Smith



Bryan Sohl
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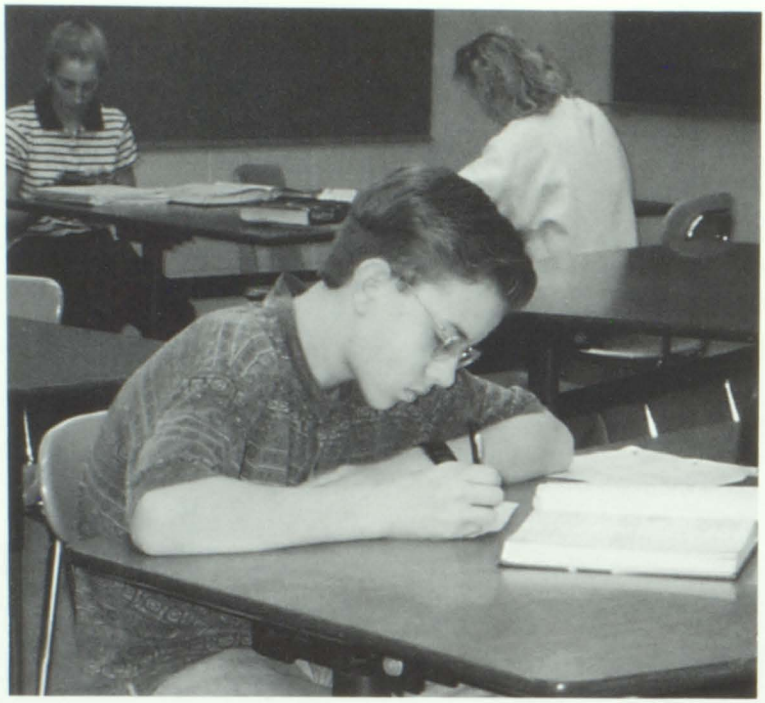
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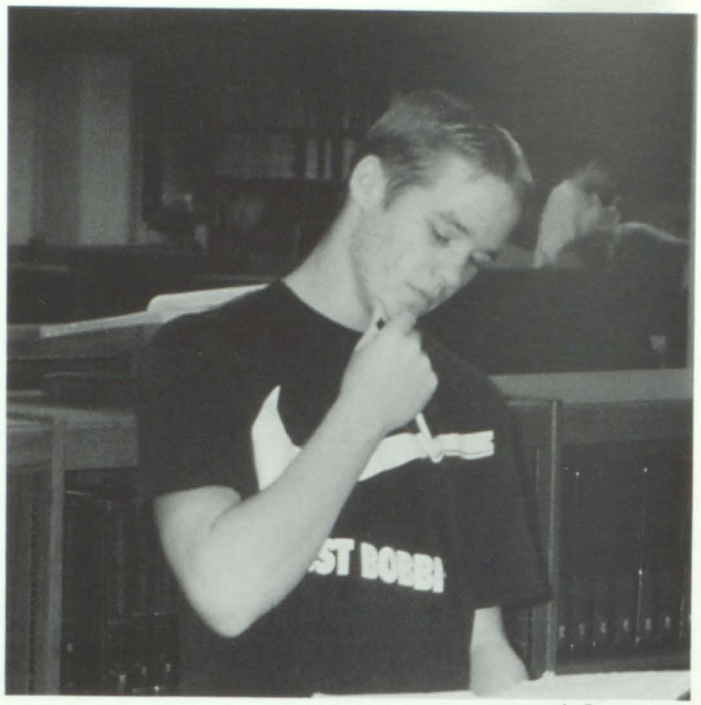
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Casey Sweet
John Szynal



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Tina Thompson
Andrew Thornburg
Chad Thorson



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Lisa Trojan
Tina Trueblood
Melissa Tusing
Jennifer Twait
Lisa Umbaugh



Joshua Unruh
Thomas Van Ness
Jason Vander Reyden
Kristina Vanlaningham
Shane Wallace



Jane Wamsley
Kara Waugh
Aaron Weimer
Leighton Wells
Ryan Wert



Cory Whetten
Scott White
Heather Whiteman
Corrie Whitesel
Angie Wiggs



Brian Wiggs
Stephanie Wihebrink
Nick Winters
Nicole Winters
Josh Witmer



Julia Wolfe
Kim Wood
Jenny Workman
Chad Wortinger
Chet Wortinger

Amy Wright
Joel Wyatt
Austin Yoder
Ryan Yoder
Lucas Young



Josh Zolman



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1. Jeremiah Nicholl just falls asleep. 2. Chad Wortinger contemplates the meaning of life. 3. Steven Deplanty organizes his homework. 4. Jenny Twait and Jacqueline Stanton just love to do homework in their HIT class. 5. Shannon Lowe, Kristi Brandon, Ben Ashpole, and Jaxon Swain prepare for a group hug. 6. Brad Hursh gets ready for his chemistry test.

The Bus Stops Here

Freshmen

Class of 2000



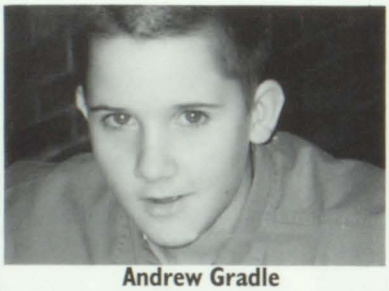
The class of 2000 had the pleasure of coming to school early for their high school career as classes began at 7:50 instead of 8:05. The newcomers had more classes to choose from, but because of the numbers in their class, the classes filled fast. The freshman class raised money for their graduation and prom by selling magazines. The president of the freshman class was Sam Korenstra; vice-president, J.D. Lane; class secretary, Jennifer Mason; class treasurer, Sandy Drake. In the homecoming events the freshmen struggled and received fourth place all around. In the mural they received second; penny race, fourth; floats, tied for third; skits, fourth. The freshmen looked forward to the 21st century as they had the distinction of being the class of '00!



Nathan Coy



Becky Phillips



Andrew Gradle



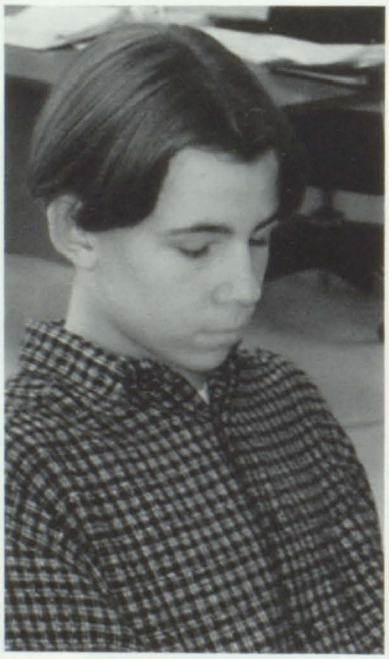
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Maranda McBride



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Nathan Addison
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Sarah Arnold
Brooke Arnott



Miranda Baker
Gretchen Balestri
Amber Bammel
Michael Barker
Kasha Barrett



Ryan Barth
Jennifer Base
Chris Baumgartner
Margaret Baumgartner
Chris Becker



Angie Beer
Cameron Beer
Candace Beer
Julie Beer
Brian Belcher



Shyla Belin
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Krista Bestul
Jerrid Bilderbock
Matthew Binns



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Crystal Blair
Julie Blakeslee
Evelyn Boesenberg
Mark Boggs



Lee Boyer
Brandon Boyts
Michele Bradford
Jeremiah Bradley
Justin Brinegar



Genevieve Brissette
Adam Brown
Katie Brown
Scott Bryan
Tom Bryan

Beth Buhrt
Rosanna Butler
Jennifer Butt
Dana Campbell
Misti Casinger

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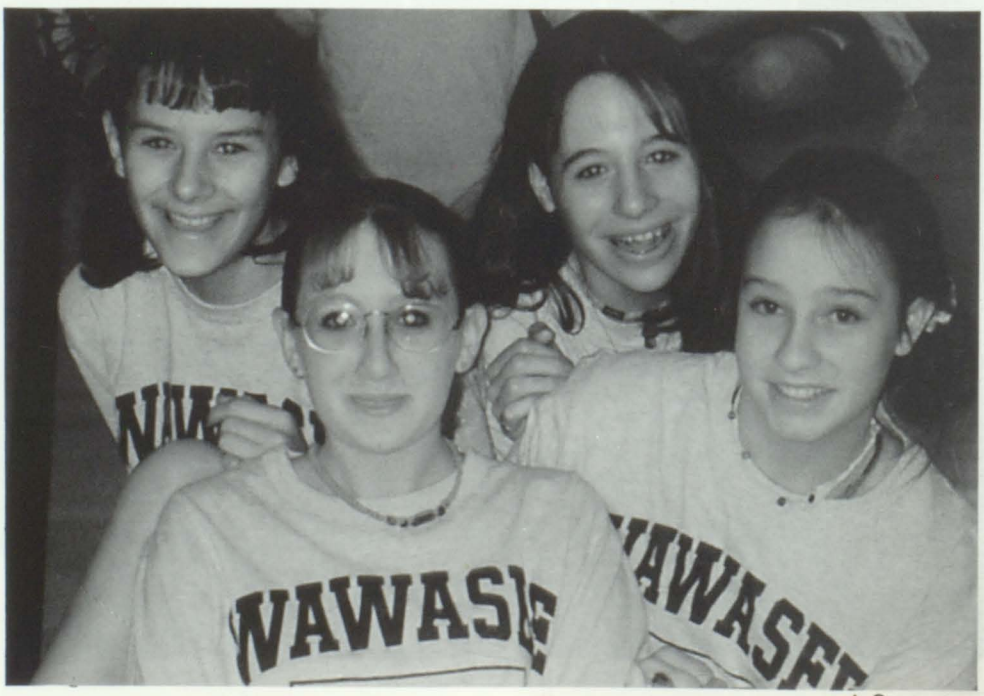
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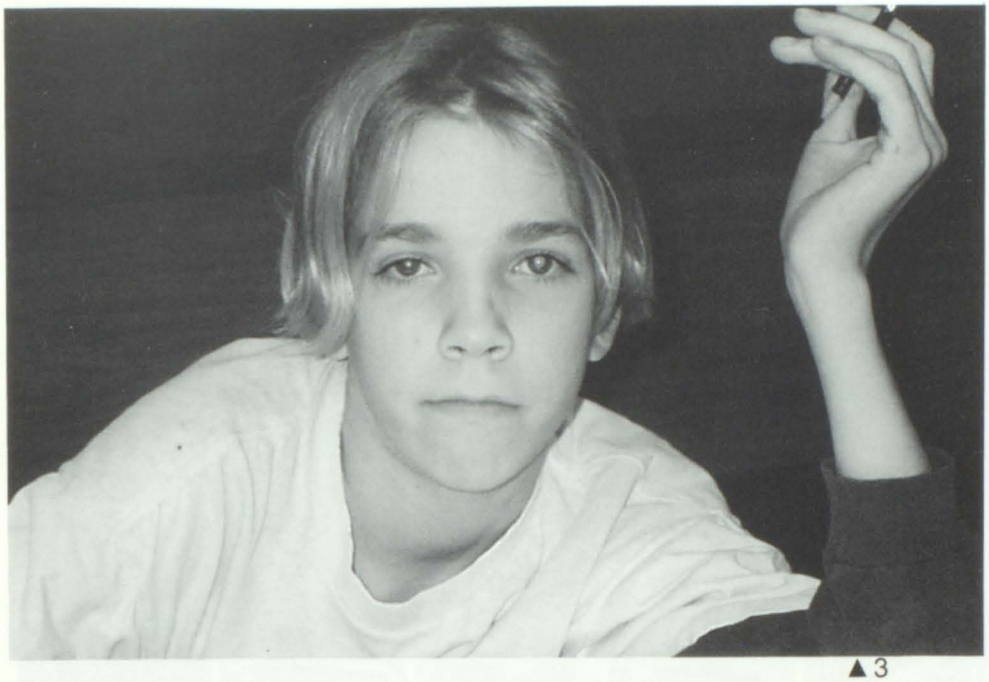


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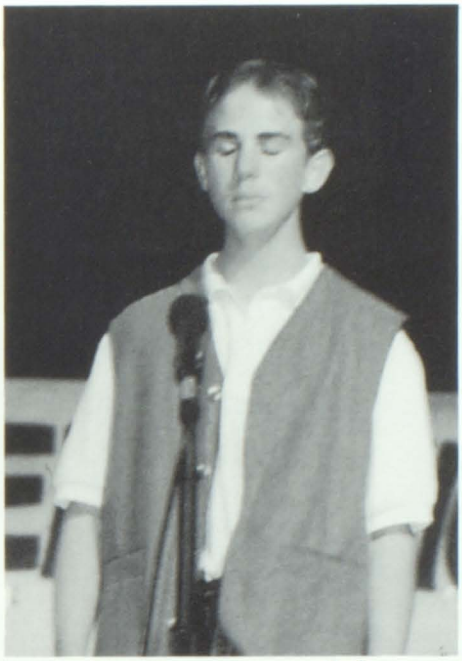
1. Tony Hellman has fun in school. 2. Emily Minnick, Mandy Shidler, Sara Vickery, and Sara Hoover have a blast in gym class. 3. Adam Smith takes art seriously. 4. Brandon Boyts sings his heart out.



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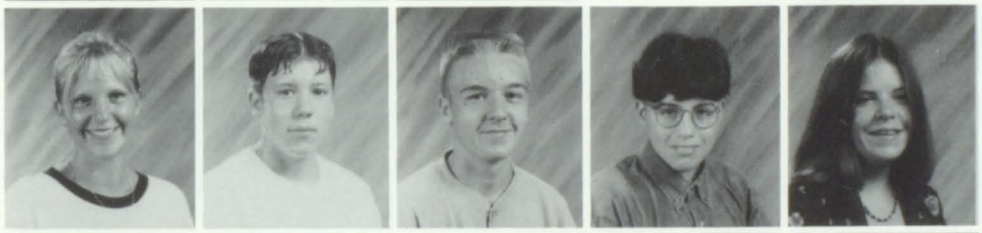
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Kyle Farrell
Jared Fawley
Vanessa Felger
Rhea Foltz
Todd Frazier



Amy Gallmeier
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Paige Gerber
Terry Gerke
Kristina Gibson
Eric Gillem

Paul Gilliam
Andrea Gingerich
Scott Good
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Melissa Greer
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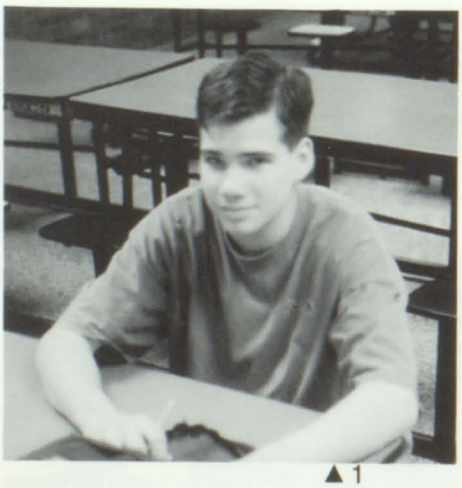


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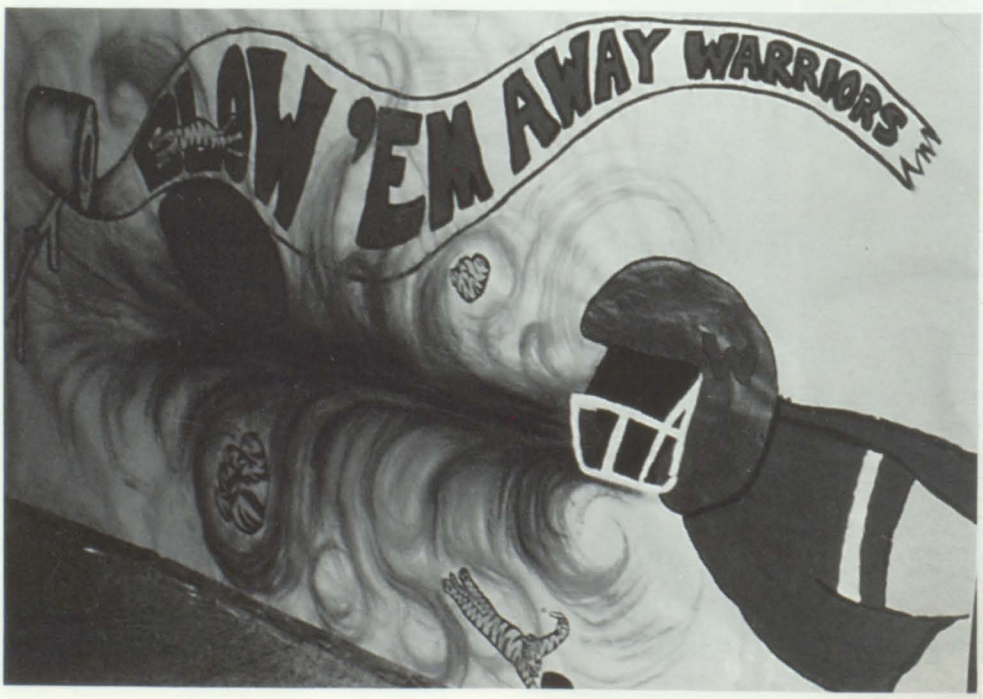
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Colleen Hickey
Jeremy High
Kyle Hilgenberg





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1. Nathan Kern is happy to take a break in study hall. 2. The freshman mural blows everyone away. 3. Mandy Sullivan is a hard working student. 4. Freddie Berger is faster than a speeding bullet on superhero day.



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Tresa Hodgson
Cheryl Hollingsworth
Lyndsay Hooley
Amber Hoover
Sara Hoover



Nathan Horn
Angie Houser
Tony Hughes
Keshia Hunt
Sarah Huntsman



Viki Hunziker
Andy Hurley
Tara Hymer
Craig Jensen
Josh Johnson



Katie Jones
Brandon Karbach
Laura Karns
Josh Kaufman
Neil Kelly



Nathan Kern
Angela Kime
Bobby Kirleis
Courtney Knisley
Sam Korenstra

Katie Krontz
Shad Krull
Brooks Kuhl
Monica Lamb
J.D. Lane

Kasandra Lanham
Jena Lemmon
Tonya Lent
Brandon Ley
Amy Likens

Dustin Linton
Matthew Linville
Thomas Locklin
Sarah Losee
Todd Lovellette

Billi Lozano
Laura Lundin
Dusten Lytle
David Mahan
Crystal Marrufo

Enrique Marrufo
Dustin Martin
Jennifer Mason
Maranda McBride
Katie McCauley



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1. Laura Karns shows her spirit on pajama day 2. Sandy Drake, Laura Lundin, and Amy Gallmeier get ready for fall fling activities 3. Heather Vandusen gets funky in art club 4. The freshmen begin their trip with a third place float, tying with the seniors.



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Jon McCullough
Ryan Means
Melissa Meyerink
Justin Mickem
Jacob Mikolajczak



Elizabeth Miller
Travis Miller
Brian Milligan
Andy Miner
Emily Minnick



Jill Mock
Angie Montgomery
Nicole Moore
Sara Moore
Kerri Moorman



Charlene Murphy
Cheryl Muzyka
Renee Neff
Jennifer Newcomer
Joshua Nicholl



Autumn Nickels
David Nickels
Adam Niles
Jennifer Niles
Amy Nottingham

Michael Nunez
Autum Obacz
Jason Oest
Andy Ousley
Matt Owens

Tom Palacios
Crystal Pamer
Ryan Park
Ollievia Patterson
John Pearson

Matt Pedersen
Frank Perales
Mandy Perzanowski
Jesse Peterson
Rebecca Phillips

Bella Phoun
Carter Ploszek
Sunshine Popenfoose
Christopher Prater
Amber Ramseyer

Jessica Rassi
Amber Reed
Amanda Reese
Heather Reese
Kathryn Rehling



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1. Emily Minnick has a blast in gym. 2. Members of the freshman class council are row 1: Katie Jones, Angie Beer, Laura Lundin, Jennifer Mason, Sandy Drake; row 2: Scott Bryan, Ryan Means, Aaron Allen, Sam Korenstra, J.D. Lang, Brenda Wong and Mandy Perzanowski. 3. Heather Vandusen, Loretta Shipley, Paige Gerber, and Colleen Hickey take a break from gym class. 4. Gretchen Cripe ponders her typing.



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Kim Reuter
Nicole Reynolds
Heather Rich
Shannon Richcreek
Lori Ridenour

Miguel Roa
Brandon Rocha
Rebecca Rosenquist
Brent Sabin
Jack Salazar

Joseph Sawyer
Rachel Scarbeary
Katy Schlipf
Amber Schofield
Ryan Scott

Chad Sears
Becci Shaw
Mandi Shidler
Loreta Shipley
Sam Shipley

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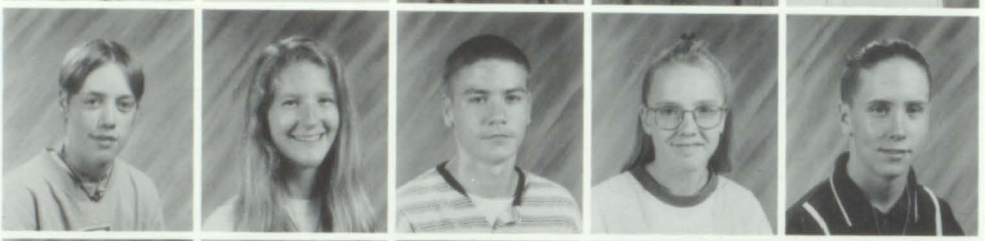
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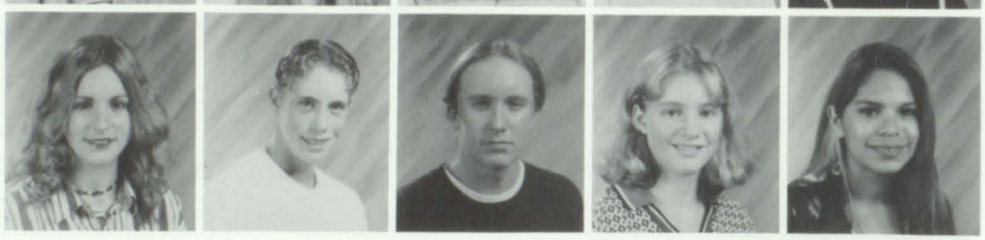
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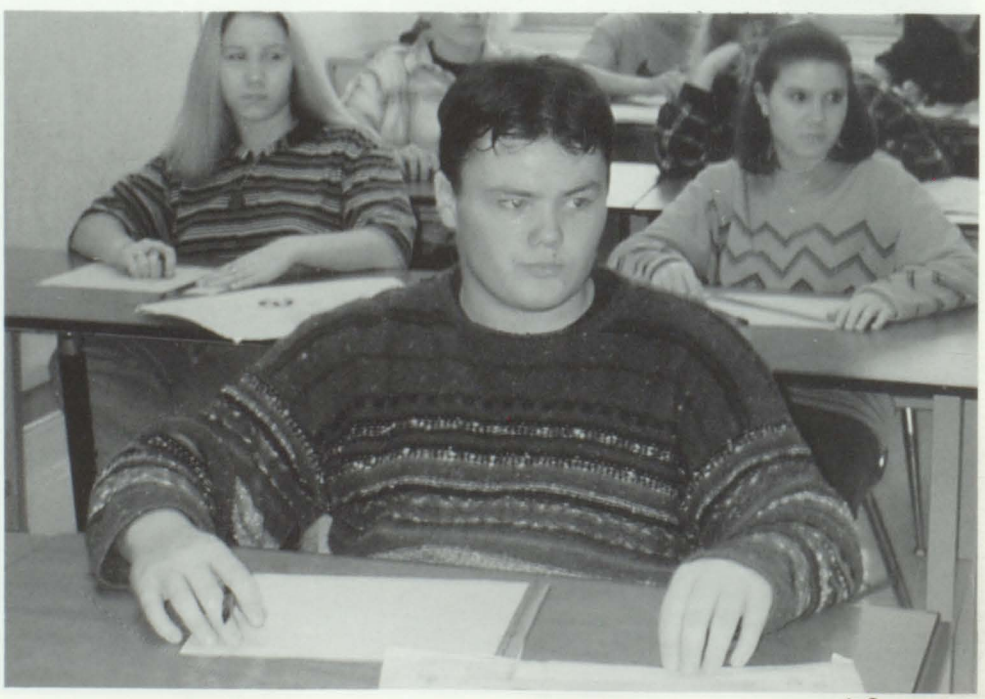
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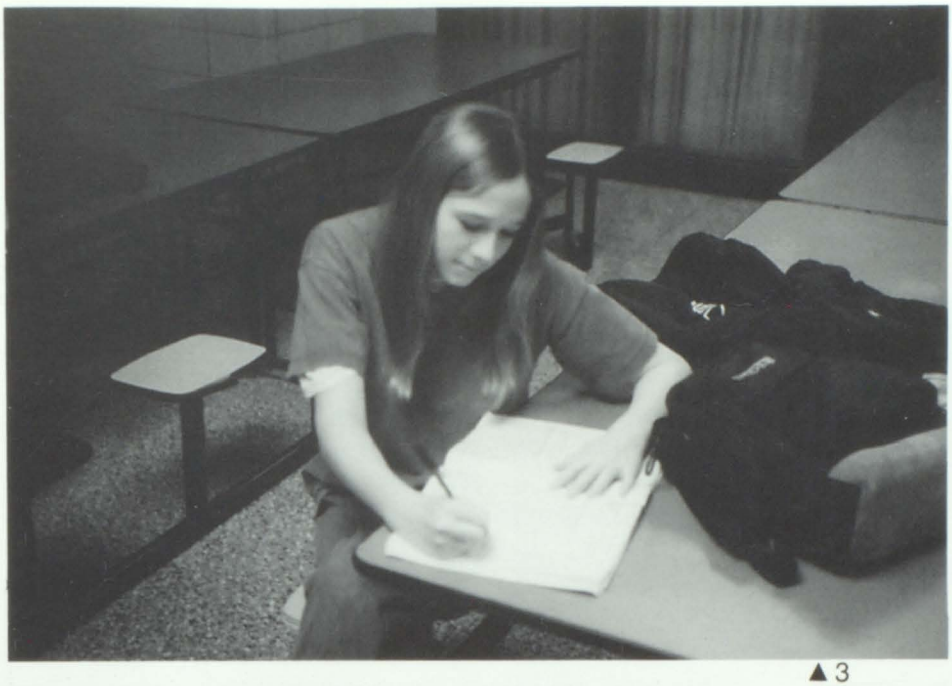


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1. Paul Gilliam is a sports fanatic. 2. Josh Widmeyer gets in touch with his creative side. 3. Lyndsay Hooley writes a letter in her free time 4. Miranda Baker and Amber VanLue are spirit sisters on pajama day.



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Kristen Vandiver
Heather VanDusen
Whitney Vanlaningham
Amber VanLue
Hayley VanLue



Angie Vela
Andy Vester
Sara Vickery
Shantel Voght
Amy Wagoner



Carrie Walton
Andrew Waugh
Amy Weaver
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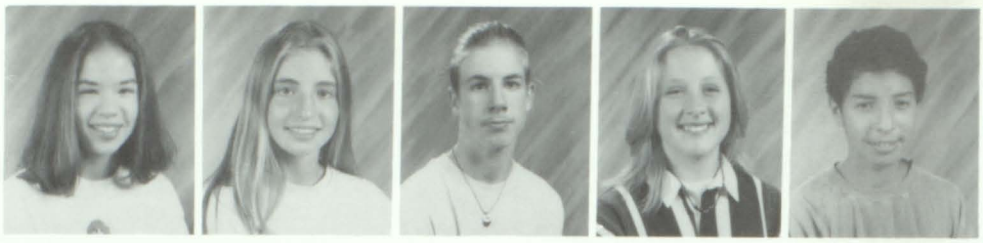


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Christi Weicht
Staci Weisser
Stephanie White
Josh Widmeyer



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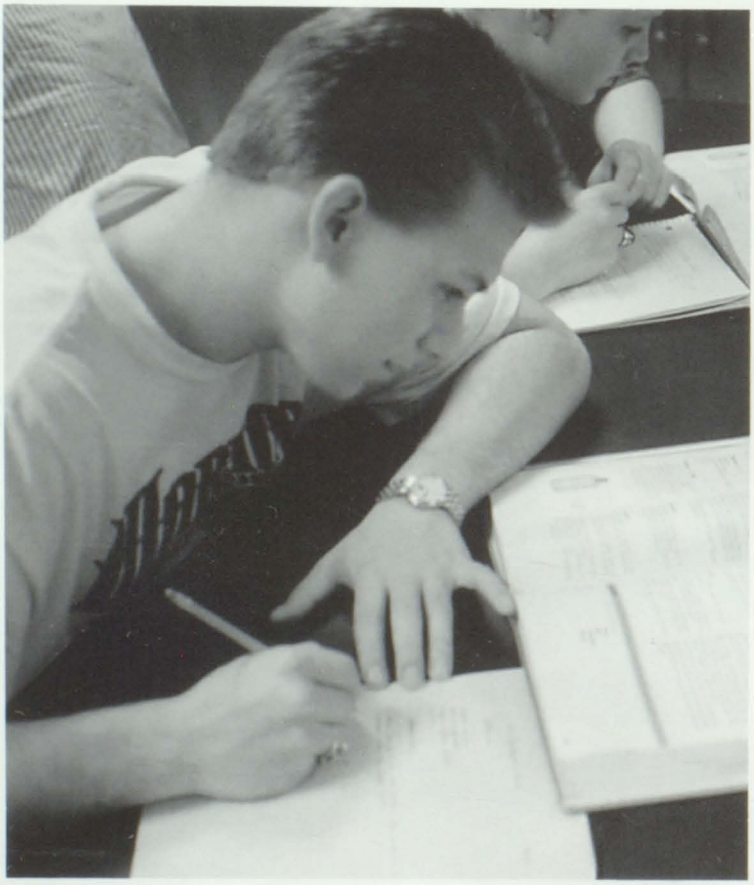




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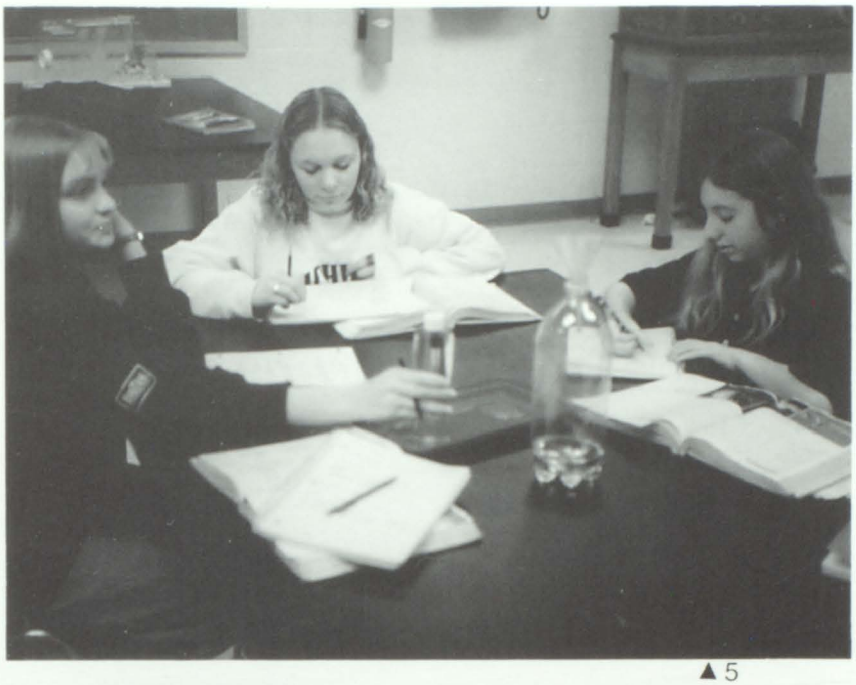
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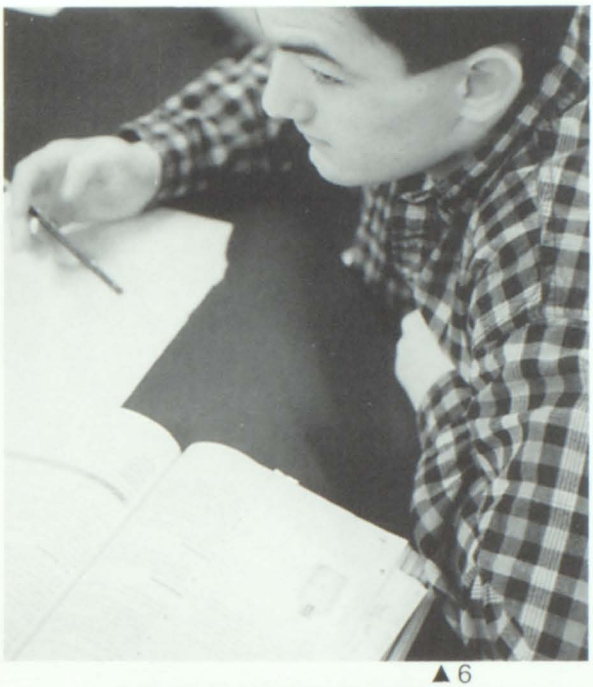
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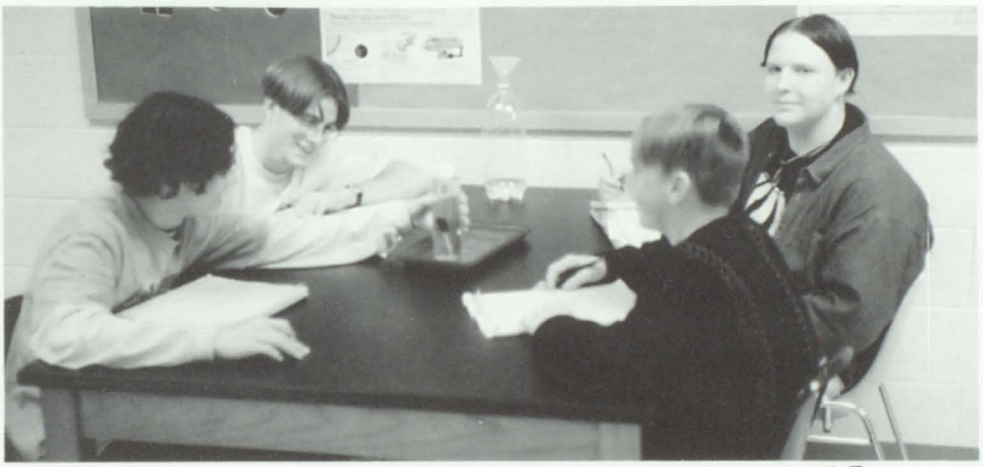
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1. Tresa Hodgson, Lorena Vallejo, Jace Stewart (coach), Gretchen Cripe, Brook Arnott, Heather Vandusen, Amanda Davidson, Jenny Newcomer, Sandy Drake, Tara Heimer, Cheryl Grady, and Lyndsay Hooley are players on the freshman powder puff team. 2. Matt Pederson performs an experiment in science. 3. Matt Binns writes down his assignment. 4. Daniel Sawyer quickly finishes up. 5. Sara Losee, Ashley Dean, and Mandy Silliman do a group project. 6. Sam Korenstra breaks into the books. 7. Sam Shipley, Case Hensler, Les Henson, and Brandon Karbach work together in science. 8. Amber Ramseyer isn't listening in English. 9. Brad Combs is puzzled over his homework.

SPORTS





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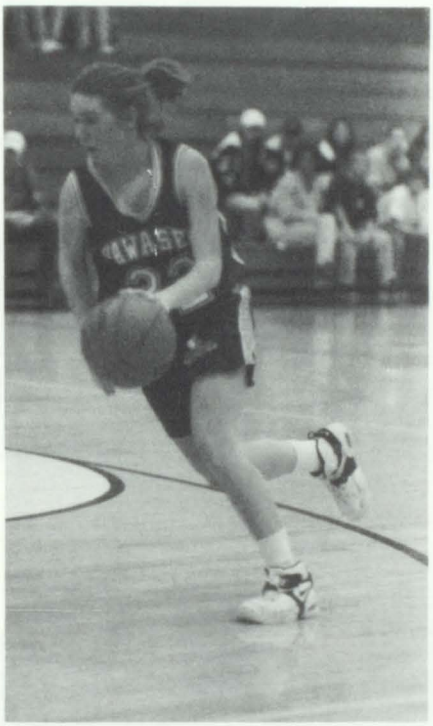
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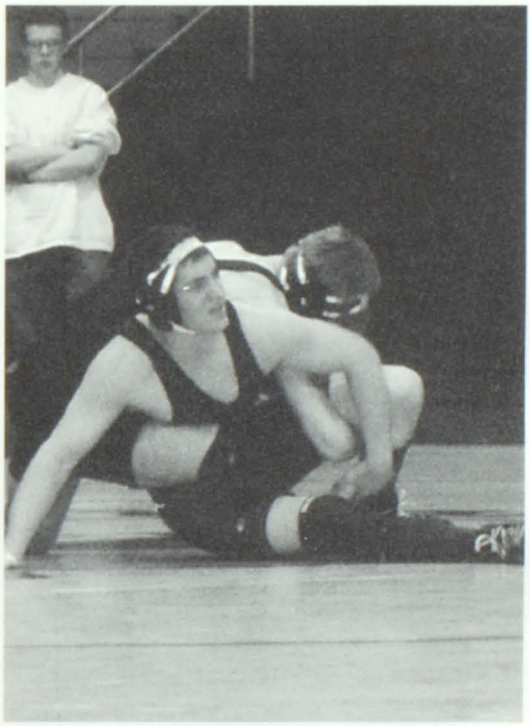
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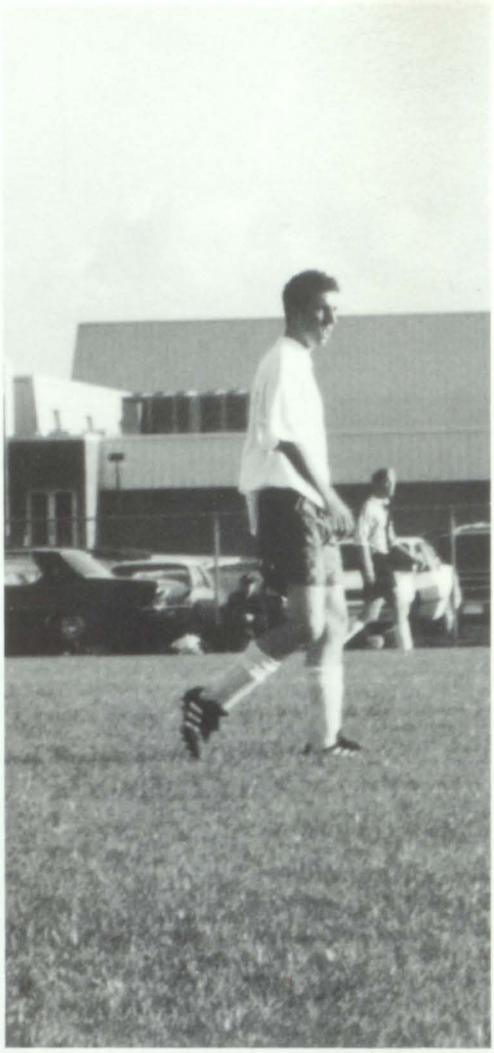
1. Kassidy Biddle is taking a rest after her race. 2. Matt Engelberth stretches before his meet. 3. Marcelo Azenha is done with his part of the relay. 4. Andy Cole says tennis is number one. 5. Kari Wortinger drives to the basket. 6. Kaiyra McLaughlin puts the ball over the net as Kara Mathew watches. 7. Rob Burke looks like he is getting tired. 8. TOUCHDOWN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Way To Go!

Soccer Teams

Keep Improving

Both the junior varsity and varsity soccer teams kept getting better. The JV team ended the season with five wins and seven losses. They also were two and four in the conference. The varsity ended a great season with a record of six wins, six losses, and three ties. Even though they had some tough losses, it was still an outstanding season for the Warriors. "Some examples of good games were against NorthWood and West Noble. In these games the men really came together and dominated well. The support of the crowd was a big help during some of the tough matches," stated co-captain Ora Freeman. Varsity award winners were MVP, Jay Haugh; Coach's Award, Matt Coy; Outstanding Defensive Player, Chad Wortinger; Most Improved, Jerod Galloway; Outstanding Offense Co-Players, Niko Ioannou and Marcelo Azenha. Award winners for the JV were Most Improved, Chad Thorson; and Coach's Award, Erik Weaver. In the sectional the Warriors fell in a hard fought battle against the Warsaw Tigers 2-1. Marcelo Azenha scored the only goal against the Tigers.



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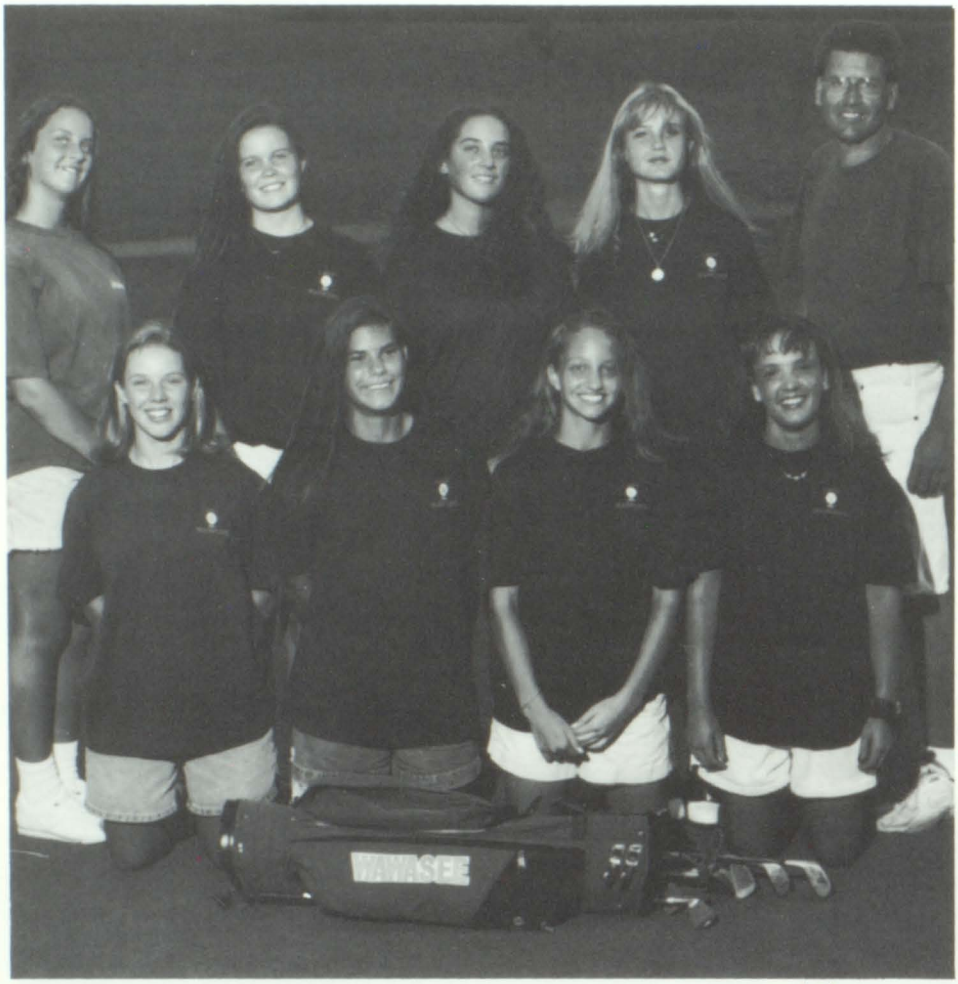


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1. Niko Ioannou is very focused on the game. 2. Ora Freeman stumbles while Jeb Freeman runs by. 3. Skyler Speakman maneuvers around a Concord defender. 4. Neal Beer, rough season? 5. Jay Haugh flies around the Goshen defense. 6. The junior varsity and varsity soccer team members are row 1: Chad Wortinger, Philip Dowden, John Heckaman, Chet Wortinger, Matt Coy, Chad Thorson; row 2: Ora Freeman, Matthew Stump, Niko Ioannou, Erik Weaver, Jeb Freeman, Jerod Galloway; row 3: Richard Moore, Ben Heimann, Mike Oswald, Jay Haugh, Andrew Thornburg, Skyler Speakman, Justin Bell; row 4: Dan Cone, Shawn McMahan, John Szynal, John Glon, Neal Beer, David Long; row 5: Brian Belcher, Sammy Shipley, Shane Heimann, Andrew Gardner, Kyle Swihart, Andy Miner; row 6: Tabatha King, John Umbaugh, Ross Heil, Brad Combs, Jared Fawley, Case Hensler; row 7: Coach Boyd, Derek Eby, Ryan Skaggs, John McCullough, Jeff Nelson, Rob Pinney, Coach Coons. 7. Chad Wortinger defends his territory very well. 8. Jerod Galloway takes it past the NorthWood defender.



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Putting Right Along

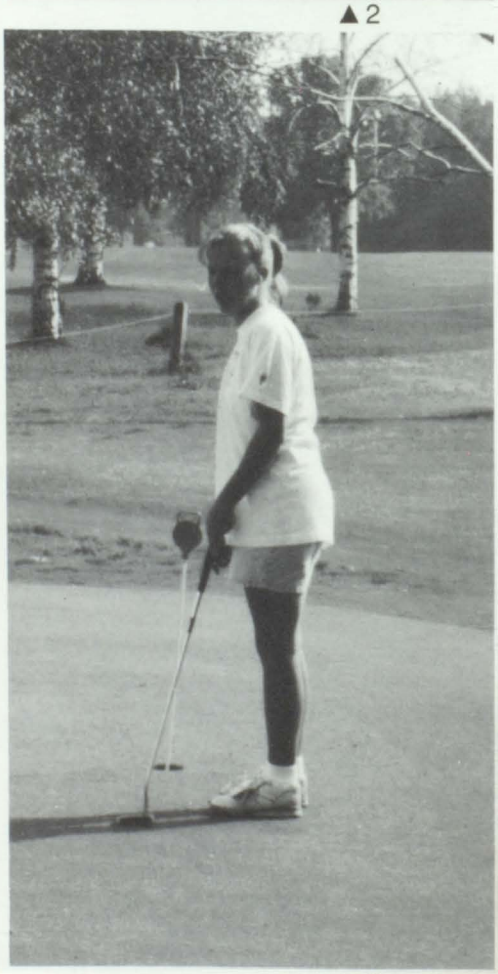
Girls' Golf

Shows Skills

The Lady Warrior golfers had a good season, even if it was a losing one. They ended the season with 9 wins and 12 losses. Losing three seniors to graduation, the Lady Clubbers were left with a team of 8 girls this year: one senior, one junior, five sophomores, and a freshman. Key victories were against Plymouth and West Noble. The ladies grabbed ahold of 3rd place in NLC's and ended up with 5th place in a rough sectional. Leading the ladies this season was captain Kari Wortinger. She was named All Conference and MVP. When asked about the season she commented, "It was a fun season and we all enjoyed it. The key was to have fun, and that's what we did." Carly Beer received the Coach's Award and Julia Wolfe got Most Improved.



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1. The Lady Warrior golfers are row 1: Kari Wortinger, Julia Wolfe, Megan King, and Carly Beer; row 2: Sandy Drake, Stephanie Wihebrink, Kelly Drake, Jen Light, and Coach Lantz. 2. Megan King practices her putt. 3. Kari Wortinger watches as her putt goes in. 4. Kelly Drake warms up before a match. 5. Kari Wortinger is deep into her game. 6. Stephanie Wihebrink takes a shot at the ball. 7. Great form, Kari!! 8. Julia Wolfe gets ready by taking a few practice shots. 9. The girls, as usual, are having fun.



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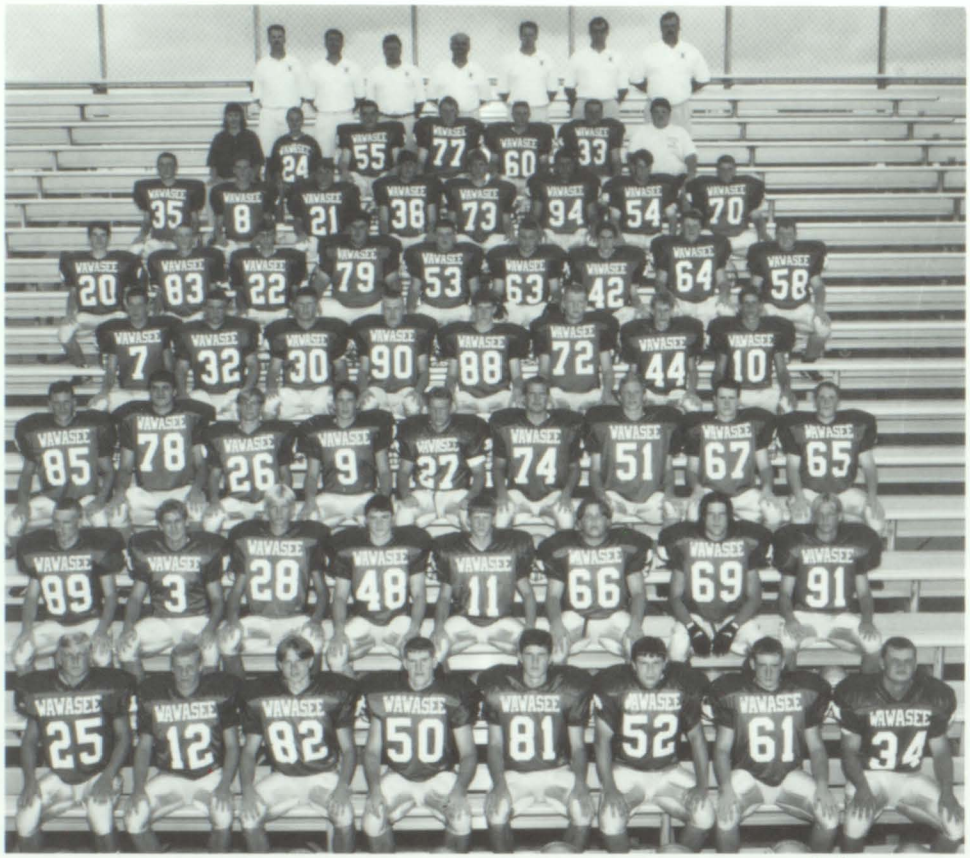


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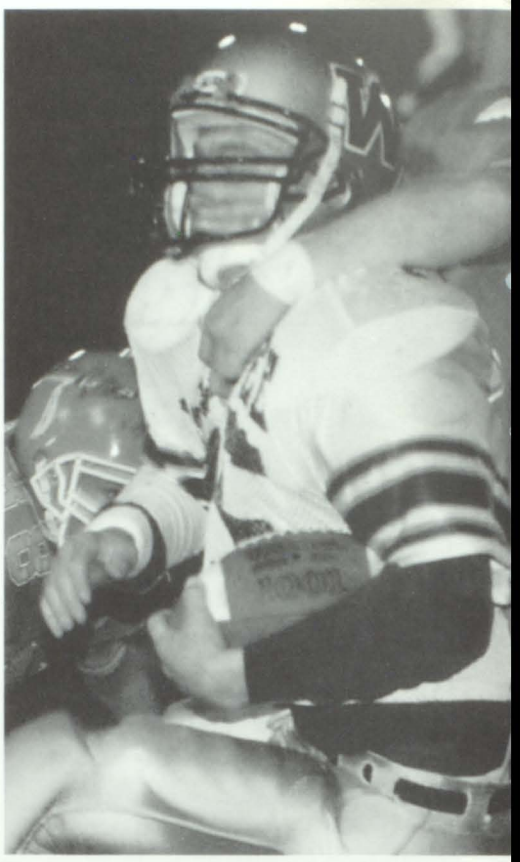


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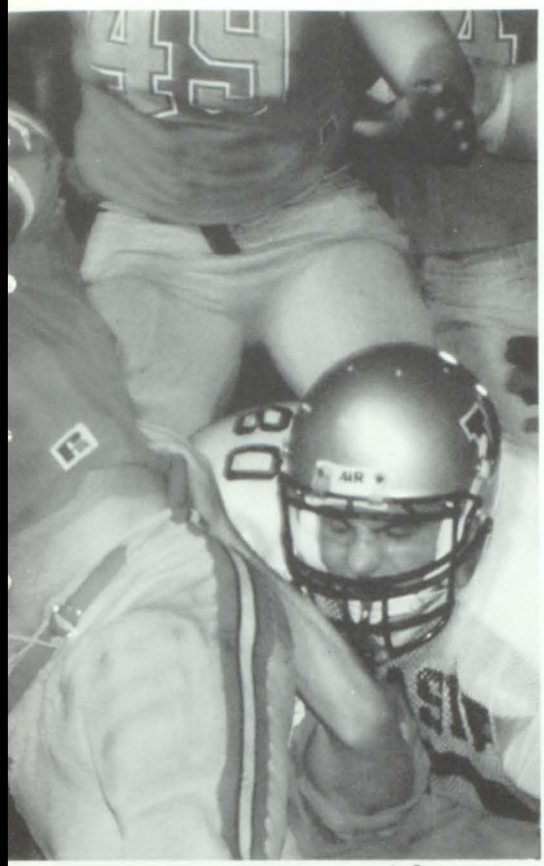
1. Varsity and junior varsity football team members are row 1: Shawn Johnson, Ryan Mikel, Brad Nyce, Matt Holderman, Luke Sawyer, Justin McGowen, Tyler Amick, Chad McClintic; row 2: Lester Mast, Matt Stump, Chad Fisher, John Morehead, Jamie Corn, Ben Hunsberger, Ryan Botts, Jeremy Reynolds; row 3: Josh Cole, Brody Stipp, Ryan Johnson, Aaron McFarland, Luke Matz, Chris Hostetler, Rusty VanLue, Andy Jones, Jonah Storey; row 4: Brad Brown, Brad Swope, Scott Ousley, Nick Vanlaningham, John Mock, John Flees, Ryan Carrington, Jeff Beer; row 5: Chris Adkins, Brent Berkeypile, Curtis Hursey, Bryce Schaefer, Jesse Leonard, Brian Bronson, Tim Cotton, Chris Salyer, Tim Barrett; row 6: Tony May, Jim Baumgartner, Rustin Mikel, Nick Myers, Richard Kidd, Jaime Salazar, Eddie Miller, Jesse Schaffer; row 7: Amy Scott, Christine Lewallen, Andy Napier, Nate Ousley, Ron Rucker, Dustin Silva, Nick Ritenour; row 8: Coach Berg, Coach Ritabaugh, Coach Murphy, Coach Mitz, Coach Whitaker, Coach VanLue, and Coach Jones. 2. Shawn Johnson is tackled by a host of Redskins. 3. Shawn Johnson loses the ball. 4. Freshman football team members are row 1: Matt Binns, J. D. Lane, Marc Smith, Jared Ganshorn, Adam Brown, Dustin Martin, Doug Weaver; row 2: Terry Gerke, Paul Gilliam, Frank Perales, Mark Boggs, Toby Witmer, Jerid Stoffel, Cameron Beer; row 3: Bobby Curlis, Sam Korenstra, Chris Prater, Shad Krull, Jack Salazar, Ronnie Black, Chris Baumgartner, Tom Bryan; row 4: Coach Mitz, Coach Murphy, Coach Berg, Coach VanLue, Coach Jones, Coach Ritabaugh, and Coach Whitaker. 5. Jeff Beer looks to go deep. 6. Ryan Botts and Shawn Johnson have a short discussion. 7. Ryan Mikel takes off down field.



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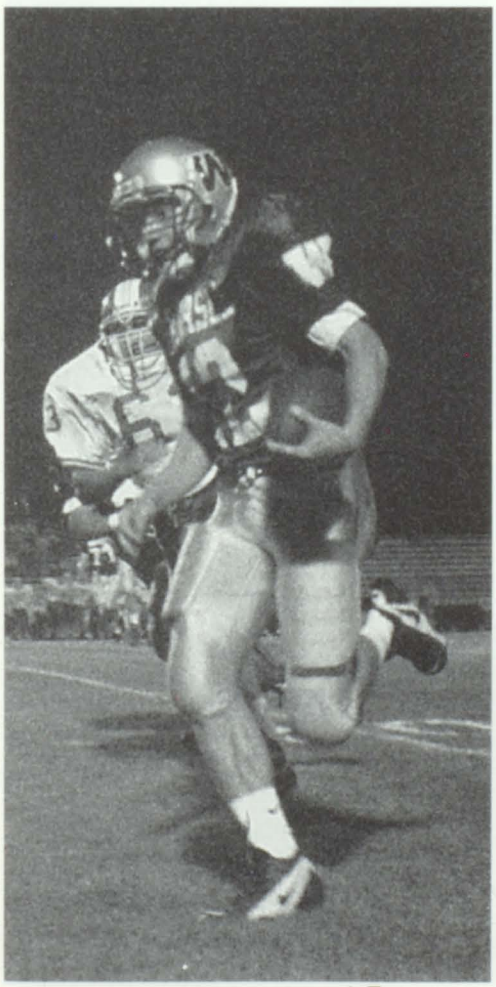
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WINNING SECTIONAL GAME

FOOTBALL



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FINISHES STRONG

The Warrior football team had a down season, winning only two games. They received two more victories by forfeit from Plymouth and Carroll, thus finishing the season with a 4-6 record. The two Warrior victories came from Northridge 21-7 in the season opener and East Noble 35-13 in the first round of the sectional. The Goshen Redskins handed the Warriors their final defeat in the second round of the IHSAA state play-offs. The team captains for the '96 varsity football season were Luke Sawyer, Ryan Botts, Chad McClintic, and Shawn Johnson. Tyler Amick, Ryan Mikel, and Shawn Johnson were All NLC Conference players. Awards were given to Rusty VanLue, Football Scholar Athlete; Shawn Johnson, Outstanding Special Teams, Outstanding Offensive Player, and MVP; Ryan Mikel, Coaches' Award; Lester Mast, Outstanding Scout Team Award; and Scott Ousley, Outstanding Defensive Player. The seniors provided the team with great leadership and poise. The junior varsity football team struggled throughout the entire season ending with a disappointing 1-6 record. The junior varsity team beat a good Plymouth JV team 6-0. The freshman football team also had a struggling season with a 1-7 record. Their one victory also came at the hands of Plymouth 6-0.

REBUILDING SEASON

GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

RUNS STRONG

The Lady Warrior cross country team finished the season with a record of 7 and 2. The girls had a rebuilding year with 7 out of the 14 runners being rookies. The runners had a strong season despite all of the unfortunate injuries they ran up against. The girls' strong efforts and determination carried them to a second place finish in the NLC's. Aubrey Coy was named to the All Northern Lakes Conference team.

In the sectional meet at Oxbow, the girls finished in second place which allowed them to advance to regionals. Though the team fell short in regionals, Aubrey Coy advanced on to semistate at Manchester. Award winners were MVP, Aubrey Coy; Low Point, Aubrey Coy; Runner-Up Low Point, Meghan Hoffman; Coach's Award, Jenny Szynal; Rookie Award, Alisha Henderson.



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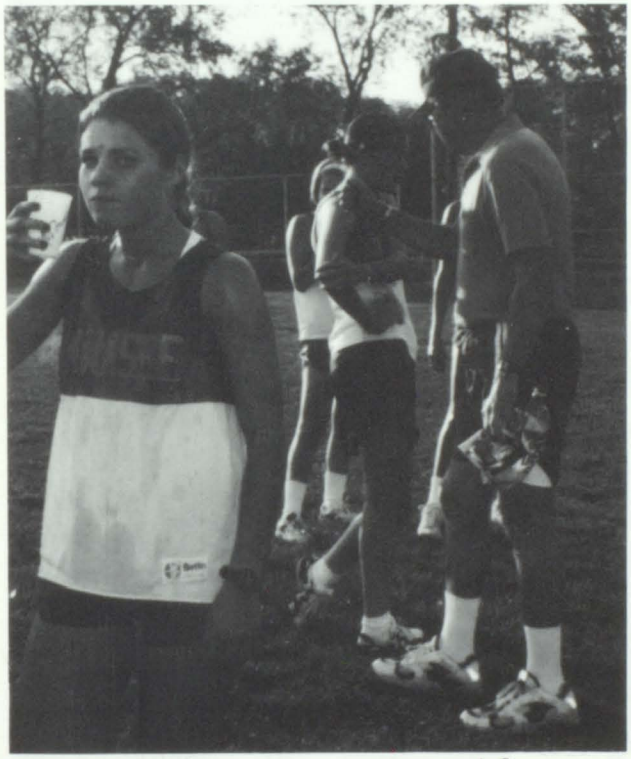


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1. Heather Morgan is breaking the speed limit. 2. Mary Cockburn, Kassie Biddle, and Alison Morgan prepare for their race. 3. Jenny Szynal, Kristen Sigler, Heather Morgan, Alison Morgan, and Kassie Biddle take time out. 4. Katie McCauley and Alisha Henderson lead the pack. 5. The Lady Warriors go out with a fast start. 6. Aubrey Coy refreshes herself after a tough race. 7. Katie McCauley, Mary Cockburn, Jenny Szynal, and Heather Morgan look happy to be finished. 8. The members of the girls' cross country team are row 1: Kristen Sigler, Aubrey Coy, Kristine Shivers, Heather Morgan, Heather Levernier, Jenny Szynal; row 2: Coach Stookey, Krista Bestul, Katie McCauley, Alisha Henderson, Alison Morgan, Kassie Biddle, Mary Cockburn, Megan Hoffman, Julie Blakeslee, Stephanie Wong, Jenny Szynal. 9. Coach Stookey gives a nervous smile.



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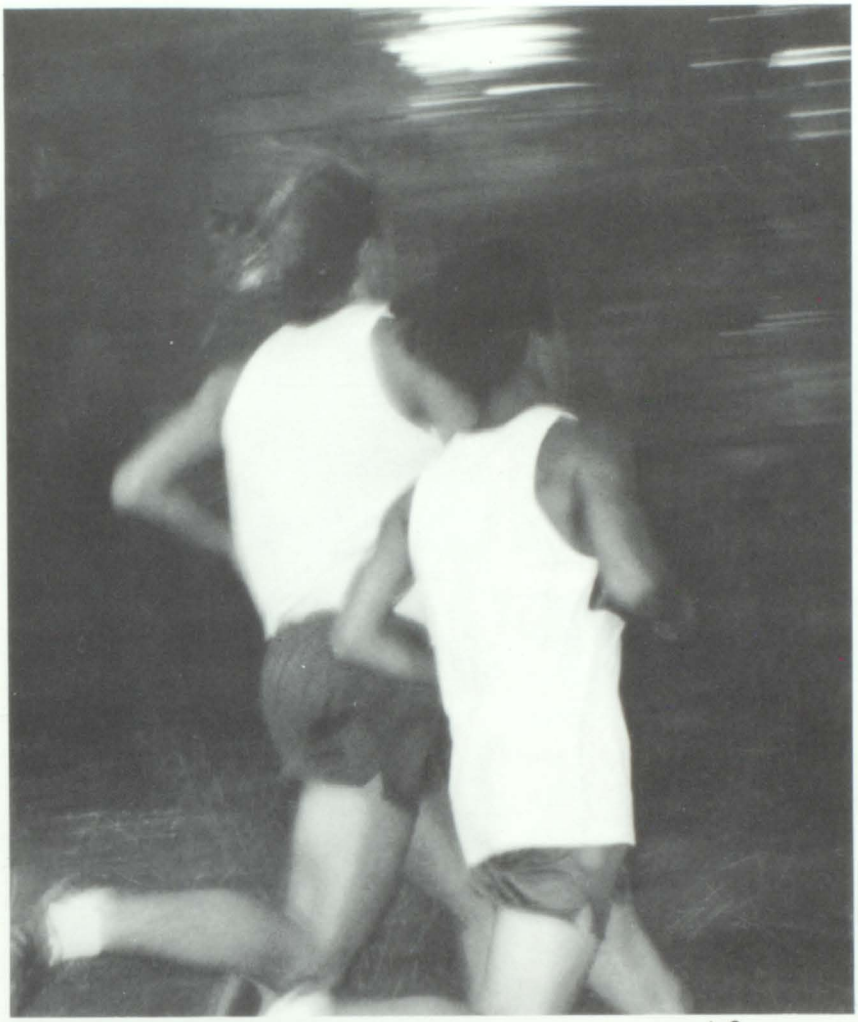


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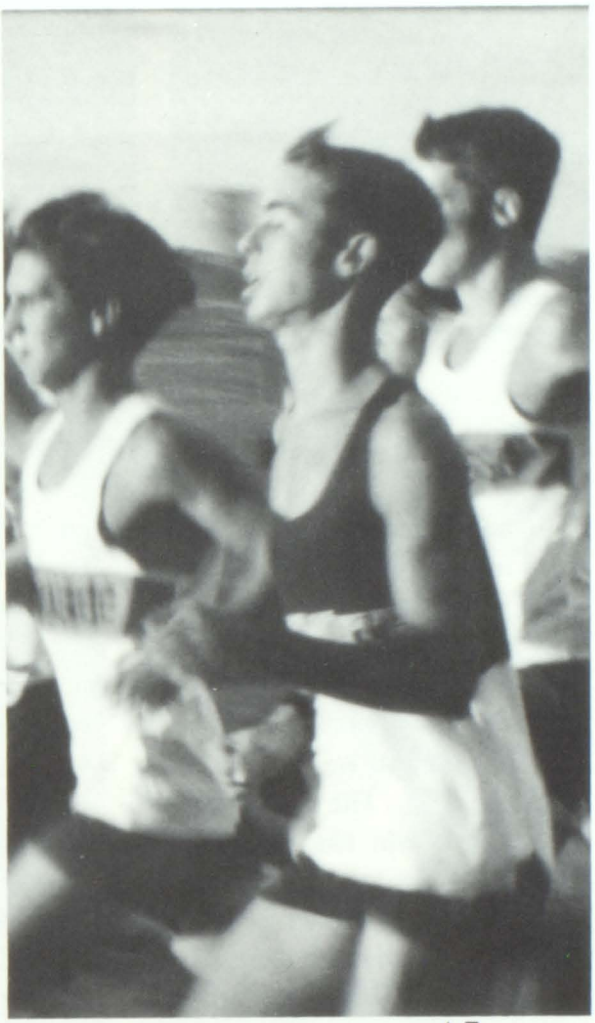


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1. Matt Engelberth and Jeff Moerchen stride out a tough race. 2. Matt Engelberth doesn't appear too happy to run before a meet. 3. Curtis Shoemaker and Dusty Lytle stretch out. 4. The Warriors prepare themselves to run against Plymouth and Goshen. 5. Members of the boys' cross country team are row 1: Peter Wagoner, Dusty Lytle, Jeff Moerchen, Curtis Shoemaker; row 2: Coach Stookey, Brad Andrews, Ryan Moore, John Hursh, Matt Engelberth, and Coach Hoffman. 6. John Hursh and Dusty Lytle look to make up ground during a conference meet. 7. The "Warrior Pack" takes off at the beginning of a home meet. 8. John Hursh pushes through the end of a long race.



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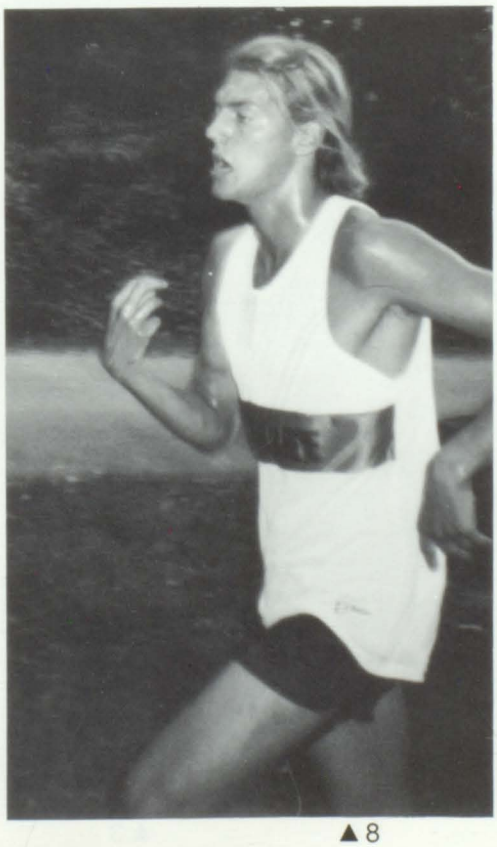
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Close Meets

Boys' Cross Country

Tough Season

The Wawasee Warrior boys' cross country team had a tough season with record of 3-6. They lost a total of three meets by less than six points. One of the closest meets was with Plymouth with a score of 28-27 (the lowest score wins) which was a real heartbreaker. The boys were paced by the senior leadership of John Hursh and Matt Engelberth and sophomore Jeff Moerchen. "All things considered, we had a decent year. Losing three meets by a total of six points was heartbreaking. However, if the team decides to put in a little bit more effort next year, they should be successful," stated John Hursh. Award winners were MVP, Low Point, John Hursh; Runner Up Low Point, Jeff Moerchen; Most Improved, Peter Wagoner.



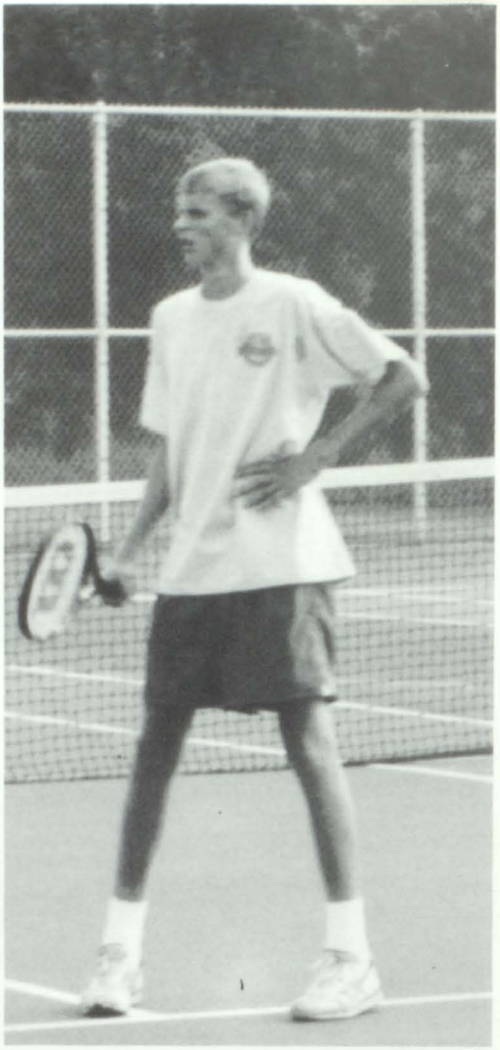
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Young Team

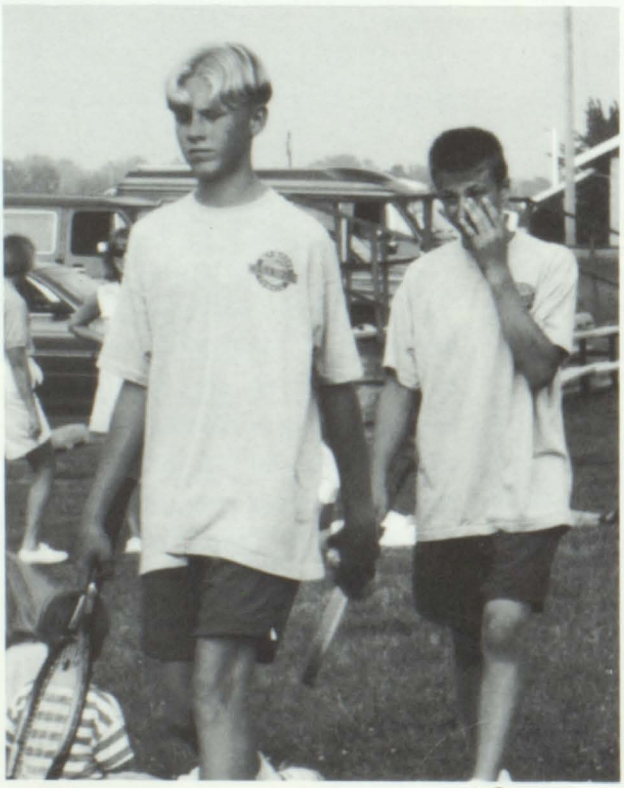
Boys' Tennis

Looking Good

The boys' tennis team looked good in their 1996 season, coming away with 7 wins and 10 losses. The JV team had a record of 6 wins and 6 losses. Coach Mishler said of his team, "This was a young team and we learned a lot this year." The victory over Jimtown to win the WHS Triple Championship and the victory over Tippy Valley in sectionals were key victories for the netters. Ryan Perzanowski stated, "Our military training helped us conquer Valley in sectionals. Now we know what it feels like to lose, so next year we are going to get past Warsaw and advance even farther." This "military training" referred to the tough practices the boys had to endure. The award winners were MVP, Mark Leinbach; Mental Attitude, Ryan Perzanowski; Most Improved, Andy Cole; Most Wins, Steven Ummel; JV Award, Luke Baker; Freshman Award, Kyle Hilgenberg.



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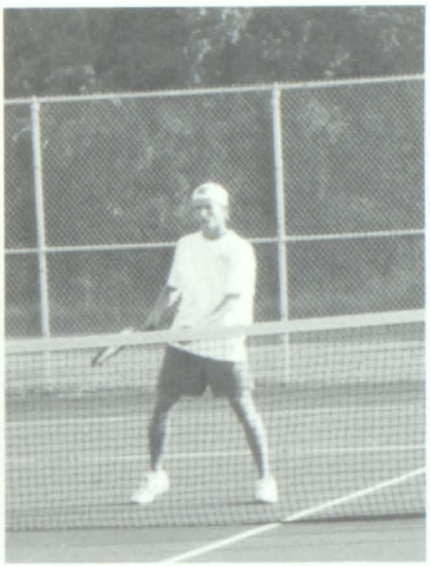
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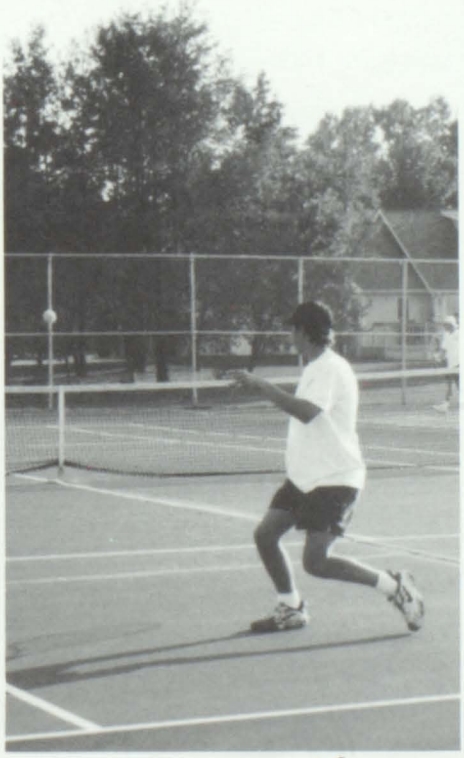
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1. Andy Cole looks like he's in some pain. 2. Kyle Hilgenberg and Kyle Farrell are on their way to the courts. 3. Quyen Tran and Ryan Perzanowski are all smiles before the meet. 4. The varsity team members are row 1: Ryan Perzanowski, Farhan Haq, Ryan Hilgenberg, Andy Cole, Jared Mahnensmith; row 2: Coach Mishler, Steven Ummel, Luke Baker, Mark Leinbach, Zach Boren, Quyen Tran, Manager Kari Knisley, Coach Bennet. 5. Jared Mahnensmith concentrates during his match. 6. The JV team members are row 1: Kyle Hilgenberg, Kyle Farrell, Luke Baker, Shane Beer; row 2: Coach Mishler, Manager Kari Knisley, Ben Ashpole, Andy Cole, Joe Rucker, Blake Knisley, Josh Unruh, Coach Bennet. 7. Shane Beer changes the score. 8. Mark Leinbach takes it easy before his match. 9. Steven Ummel shows his form during his match.

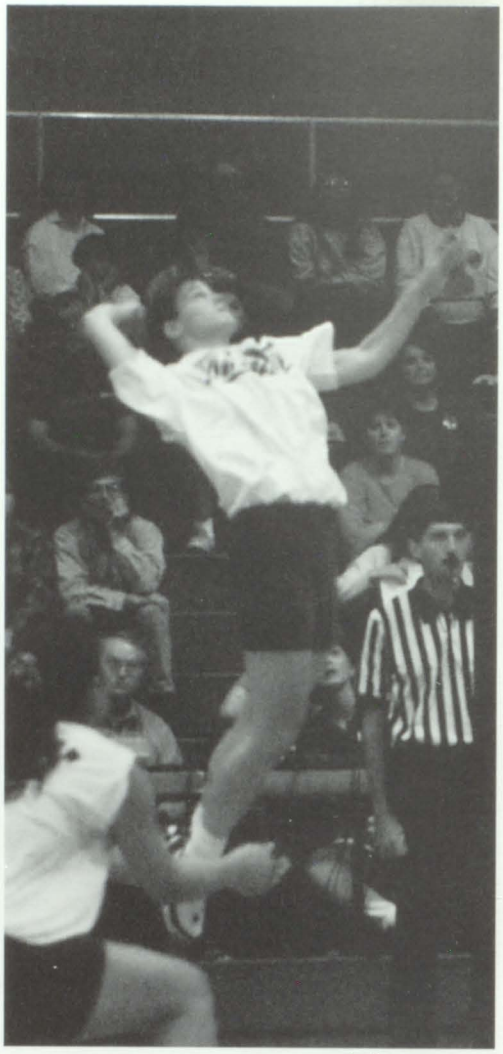
Adjusting To New Coach

Volleyball

Fairs Well

A new coach stepped into the volleyball program. After losing four seniors to graduation, Coach Fleming and his staff faired well. The Lady Warriors finished their season with 19 wins and 14 losses. In the tough NLC the spikers could only capture one win to Concord, ending with a conference record of one win and five losses. The girls fell short in the semifinal sectional match to West Noble ending their season. Jaclyn Craver stated, "It was a hard loss, probably the hardest one of the year. We tried our best, but West Noble played with more heart." Kari Beer was named all-conference and Kara Mathew was honorable mention.

The team, consisting of eight seniors and four juniors, worked well together. The junior varsity under the instruction of Coach Setlak completed their season with six wins and 13 losses. The JV squad displayed lots of potential. Coach Kline was the new freshman coach. He coached the frosh to eight wins and 15 hard fought losses. Award winners were Kari Beer, MVP; Lydia Carpenter, Most Improved; Jenny Kuhn, Mental Attitude; Theresa Lundin, Defensive; Kara Mathew, Offensive; Sarah Mason, JV Promising Player; and Angie Beer, Freshman Promising Player. Captain honors went to Kari Beer and Kara Mathew.



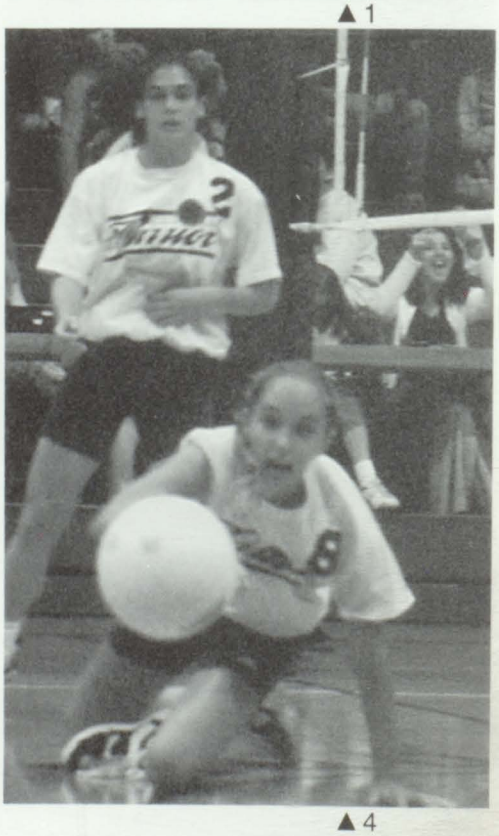
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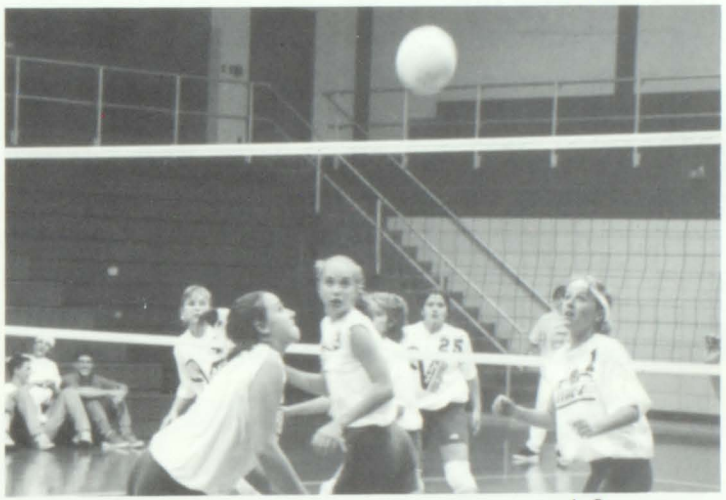
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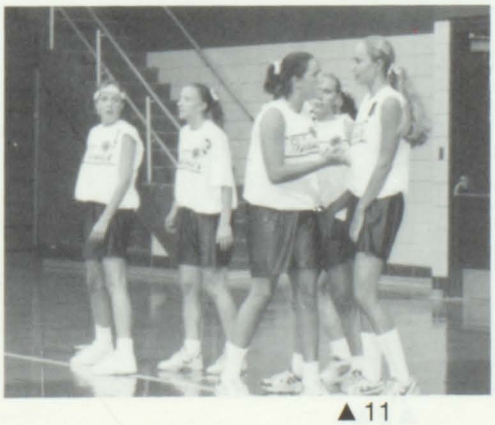
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1. Kari Beer attempts the kill. 2. The team gathers emotion before the start of the match. 3. Kara Price and Laura Lundin prepare to receive a serve. 4. Lydia Carpenter dives for the ball. 5. Varsity team members are row 1: Andrea VanCleave, Darcy Replogle, Alysha Aalbregtse, Whitney Pilcher; row 2: Jenny Kuhn, Kari Beer, Theresa Lundin, Jaclyn Craver, Kendra Damer; row 3: Coach Fleming, Coach Setlak, Kara Mathew, Lydia Carpenter, Kaiyra McLaughlin, Manager Amber Thomas, Coach Kline. 6. Members of the freshman team include row 1: Amber Hoover; row 2: Andrea Gingerich, Viki Hunziker, Michele Bradford; row 3: Angie Beer, Jennifer Mason, Mandi Perzanowski, Amber Ramseyer; row 4: Coach Fleming, Coach Setlak, Rachel Scarbeary, Shyla Belin, Lauren Stucky, Gennie Brissette, Hayley VanLue, Coach Kline. 7. JV team members include row 1: Brenda Wong, Amber Baker, Amy Wright, Janice Bokhart; row 2: Kim Troup, Sara Frantz, Christy McGowen, Jaime Conn, Danielle Powell; row 3: Coach Fleming, Coach Setlak, Laura Lundin, Kara Price, Sarah Mason, Jackie Stanton, Manager Alena List, Coach Kline. 8. Kara Mathew, Lydia Carpenter, and Jaclyn Craver play hard during a match. 9. Kaiyra McLaughlin and Jaclyn Craver put up a tough block. 10. Theresa Lundin and Alysha Aalbregtse keep the ball alive. 11. The varsity team unites at the end line after a game.

3-PEAT

GIRLS' SWIMMING AND DIVING

NLC CHAMPS

The girls' swim team had an outstanding season. They only lost one meet against a tough Penn team. The girls were undefeated in the NLC for the third year in a row. At the new Warsaw Sectional the girls did remarkably well and came away with a first place finish. This sent all three relays and five individual events to state. In all, ten girls went to state. State was very competitive and none of the girls moved on to the finals, but the 200 free relay of Kristine Shivers, Stacy Naugler, Jenny Marty, and Laura Lundin achieved a new school record. The divers also did exceptionally well with Jamie Conn and Stacy Naugler moving on to regionals. The coaches for the Lady Warriors were Roger Karns, Terry Davis, and Dawn Guimond. The captains were Kristine Shivers and Jennifer Ganshorn. Award winners were Carrie Grothaus, 110% award; Jenny Marty, MVP; Gennie Brissette, most improved; Laura Lundin, coach's award.



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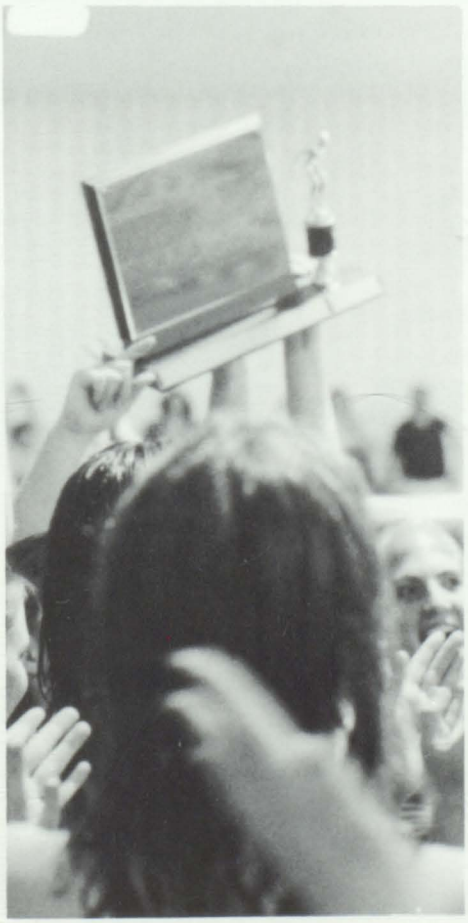
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1. Lindsay Kaiser shows her amazing diving skills. 2. Jessica Christoffel, Stacey Kraft, and Jane Wamsley show their swimming spirit. 3. Jennifer Ganshorn is winning in breaststroke. 4. Girls' swim team members are row 1: Jill Mock, Erin Griffith, Laura Lundin, Katie Biddle, Jane Wamsley, Gennie Brissette, and Jenny Butt; row 2: Haylee VanLue, Laura Karns, Nicole Moore, Lindsay Kaiser, Stacey Kraft, Jamie Conn, Jessica Christoffel, Vanessa Amburgy, and Annalisa Woodward; row 3: Terry Davis, Jill Garber, Theresa Lundin, Kassie Biddle, Tiffany Miller, Stephanie Shivers, Amanda Alles, Janine Champoux, and Meg Tsukamoto; row 4: Roger Karns, Jennifer Ganshorn, Karen Shipley, Sandy Drake, Kerri Moorman, Kristine Shivers, Carrie Grothaus, Tami Miller, Jenny Marty, Leigh Strauss, and Erin Buss, manager. 5. The girls display their third NLC victory. 6. Kristine Shivers shows her amazing starting skills at a meet. 7. Stacy Naugler is all "tucked in" for her dive.

Undefeated Season

Boys' Swimming

10th at State

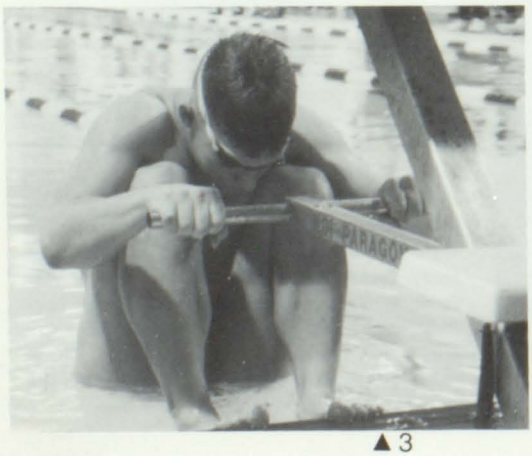
The Wawasee boys' swimming team completed their most successful season ever. The Warriors completed an undefeated dual meet season, knocking off state ranked powers Northridge, St. Joe's, and Penn. The Warriors took home two invitational titles as well. The swimmers won at Lewis Cass and at their home invitational, defeating fifth ranked Fort Wayne Homestead. The Warriors also cruised to the conference and sectional titles, finishing their outstanding season with a tenth place finish at the state meet at the IUPUI natatorium in Indianapolis. This was the third time in the 1990's that head coach Roger Karns accomplished a top ten finish at the state meet. Warrior swimmers were led by state qualifiers Ryan Harper, Ryan Moore, Marcelo Azenha, and Adam Brown. Award winners were coaches' award, Brad Hursh; MVP, Ryan Harper; most improved, Dusten Lytle; high point, Marcelo Azenha; 110%, Andrew Thornburg.



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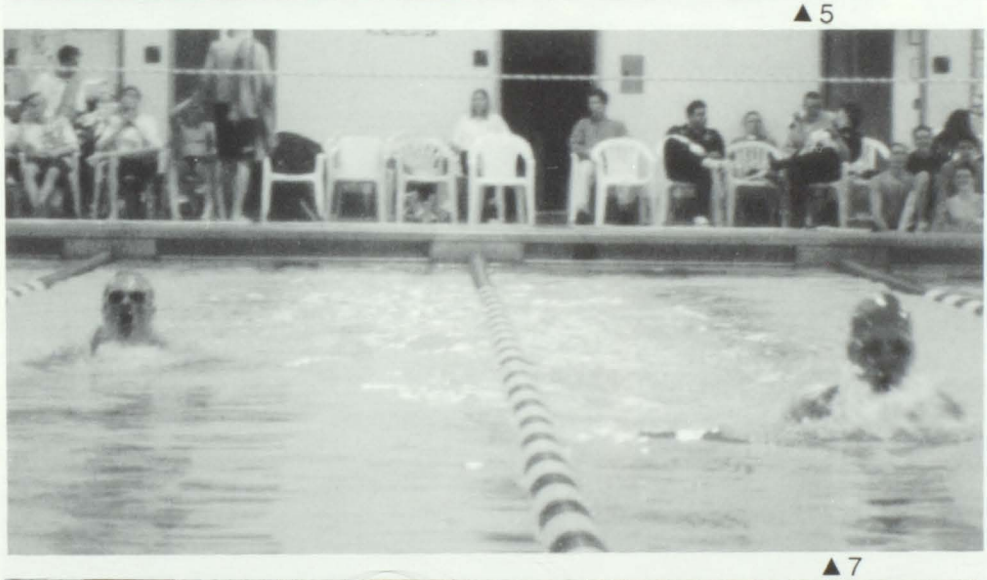
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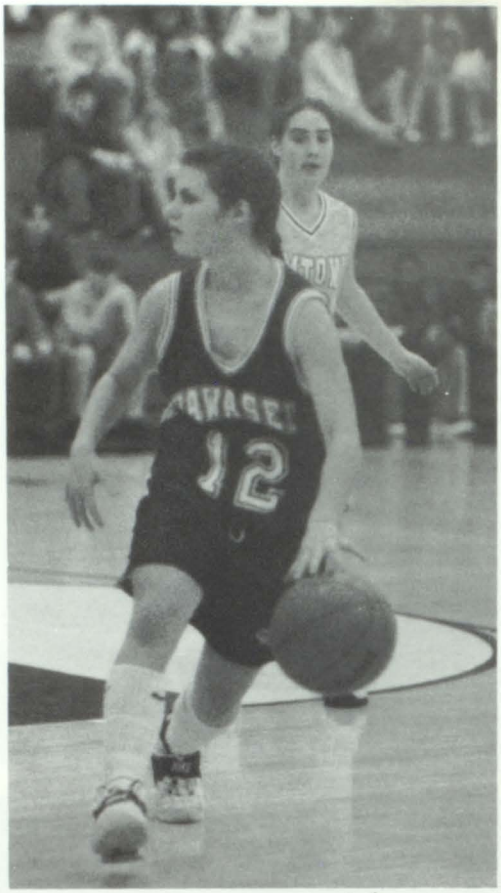
1. Wawasee head coach Roger Karns howls some words of wisdom at a Warrior swimmer. 2. Ryan Harper competes in the butterfly leg of the 200 I.M. 3. Jamie Corn prepares to explode into the pool for the 100 backstroke. 4. The Warriors celebrate their sectional title; Dan Cone appears confused as usual. 5. Members of the Wawasee boys' swim team are row 1: Ryan Means, Brandon Karbach, Matthew Binns, and Adam Brown; row 2: John Szynal, John Brock, Brad Hursh, Andrew Thornburg, John Glon, and Jim Baumgartner; row 3: assistant coach Terry Davis and Mike Oswald; row 4: diving coach Dawn Guimond, Rick Lemberg, Kyle Metcalf, Joe Baumgartner, Rusty VanLue, Dan Cone, and Steven Ummel; row 5: head coach Roger Karns, Marcelo Azenha, Ryan Harper, Brock Manning, John Hursh, David Close, Ryan Moore, and Dennis Bogdanov. 6. Andrew Thornburg is using his mental skills to turn cards for a fellow swimmer in the 500 free style. 7. Senior Brock Manning and freshman Adam Brown compete in the 100 breaststroke at the Wawasee Invitational. 8. Ryan Moore is exhausted after a tough swim. 9. Dan Cone glides through the air on his plunge into the Wawasee pool.

Set the Hardwood on fire

Girls' Basketball

Dodge the flame

The varsity Lady Warriors smoked out their opponents with a record of 14 and 5. One of the losses was to state tournament bound NorthWood who beat the Lady Warriors in the sectionals. Three of the girls were placed on the NLC All Conference Team, a testament to their effort and accomplishments during the NLC season. Unanimous choices to this team were senior Carly Beer and junior Lydia Carpenter; honorable mention went to senior Aubrey Coy. These were well deserved honors for these Wawasee athletes. The junior varsity ended the season with a record of 15 and 2. The freshmen ended a challenging season with a record of 3 and 13. Award winners were Carly Beer, MVP; Lydia Carpenter, field goal % award; Karissa Evans, rebound award; Aubrey Coy, steal award; Kari Wortinger, assist award; Amy Cockburn, leadership award; Jenny Syznal, coaches' award



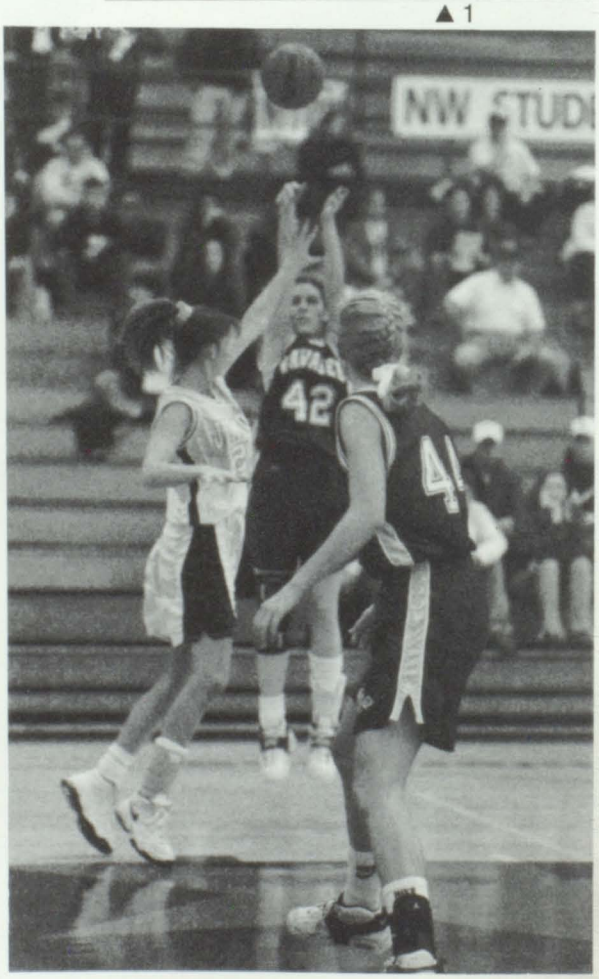
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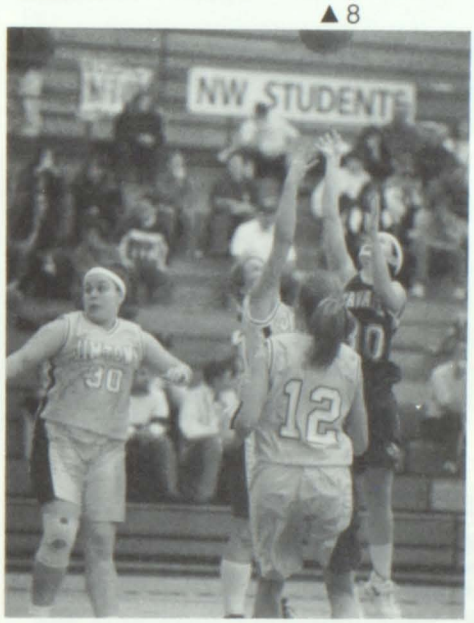
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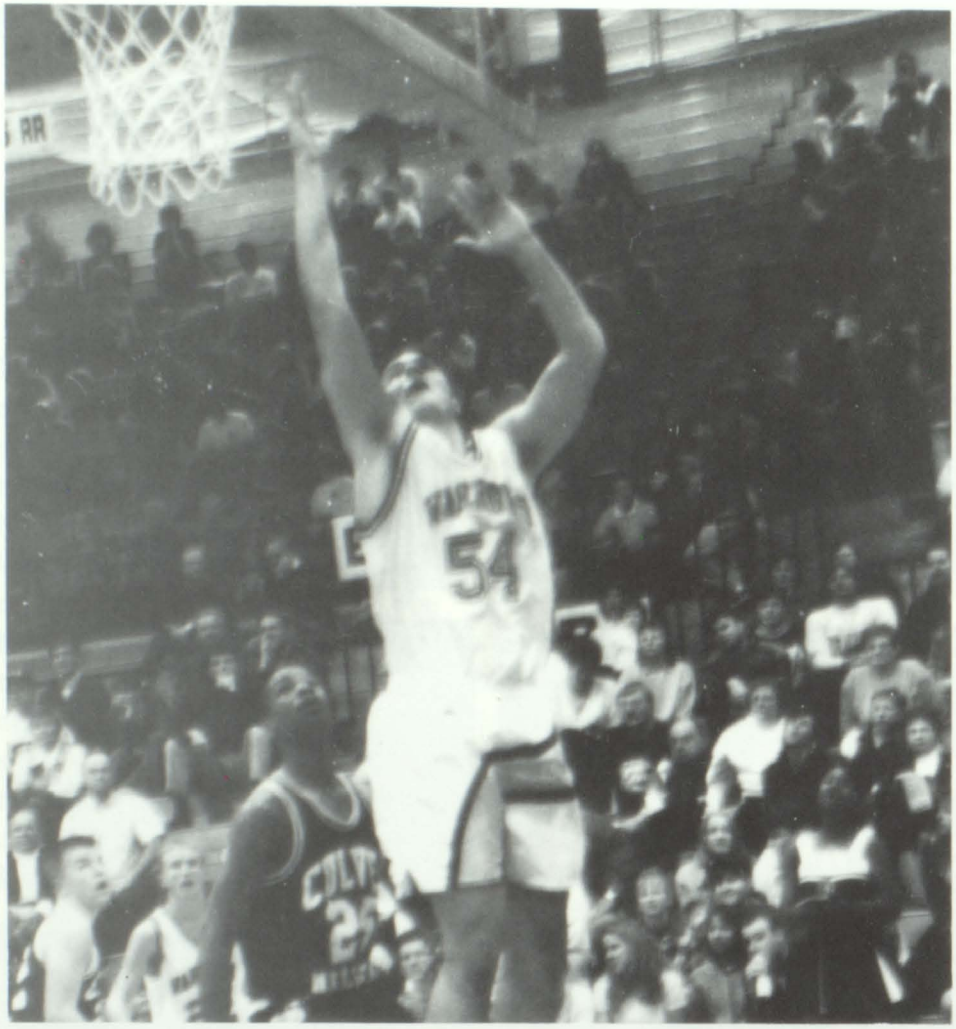


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1. Aubrey Coy looks for an opening. 2. Lady Warriors huddle to plan out their next move. 3. Michelle Lamb, Lydia Carpenter, and Carly Beer play tough defense. 4. Karissa Evans goes up for the shot. 5. Freshman basketball team members are row 1: Katie McCauley, Jenni Gunden, Alisha Henderson, Kisha Hunt; row 2: Amber Ramseyer, Mandy Perzanowski, Viki Hunziker, Elicia Ellis, Heather Rich; row 3: Rachel Scarbeary, Shyla Belin, Coach Germonprez, Tara Hymer, Melissa Meyerink, Candace Beer. 6. Junior varsity team members are row 1: Kristin Vanlaningham, Mary Cockburn, Sonya Beer, Sara Frantz; row 2: April Salazar, Katie Hostetler, Michelle Lamb, Hannah Rensberger, Dina Coverstone; row 3: Coach Sumpter, Coach Beer, Coach Aalbregtse. 7. Varsity team members are row 1: Alysha Aalbregtse, Amy Gingerich, Angie Hoover; row 2: Carly Beer, Jenny Szynal, Aubrey Coy, Sonya Beer, Kari Wortinger, Mary Cockburn, Sara Frantz; row 3: Coach Sumpter, Coach Beer, Hanna Rensberger, Michelle Lamb, Lydia Carpenter, Karissa Evans, Amy Cockburn, Coach Aalbregtse. 8. Lydia Carpenter is playing good defense. 9. Amy Cockburn shoots over the defense.

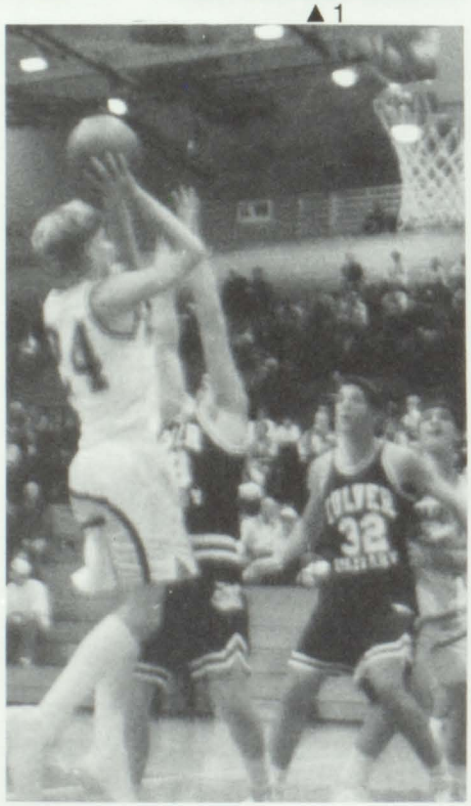


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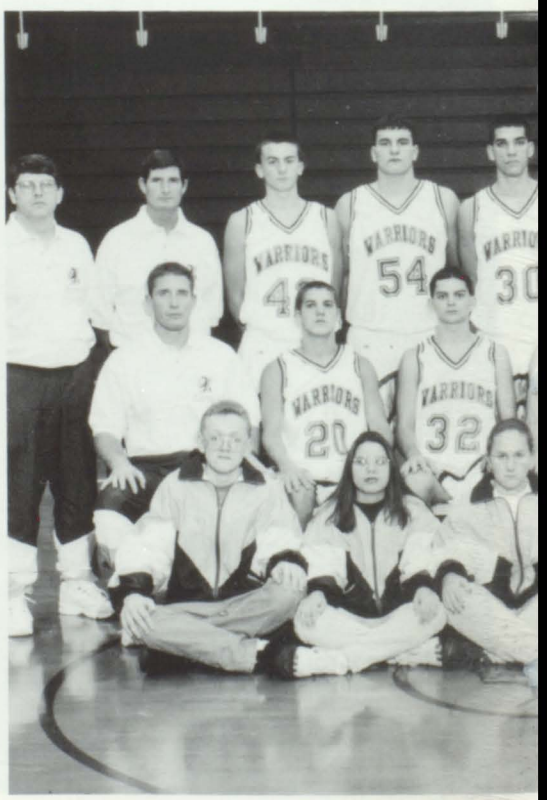




1. Brody Stipp takes the ball to the basket. 2. Chad Fisher shoots the ball in Culver's face. 3. Freshman team members are row 1: John Glover, Beccca Shankster, Lacey Robinson, Carrie Walton, Becky Patterson, and Phil Yargosz; row 2: Coach Mishler, Drew Gradle, Brandon Ley, Terry Gerke, R.J. Wilson, Cameron Beer, Jesse Peterson, Andy Vester, and Coach Woodard; row 3: Coach Davis, Coach Waltz, Carter Plozek, Paul Gilliam, Jeremy High, Jared Ganshorn, Whitney Vanlaningham, Francis Perales, Joe Thorn, and Coach Zolman. 4. J.V. team members are row 1: John Glover, Becca Shankster, Lacey Robinson, Carrie Walton, Becky Patterson, and Phil Yargosz; row 2: Coach Mishler, Chris Lambert, Jeff Moerchen, Miguel Roa, Josh Zolman, Rustin Mikel, and Coach Woodard; row 3: Coach Davis, Coach Waltz, Chad Wortinger, Tony May, R.J. Nethaway, Justin Shelling, Kirk Kaiser, Brad Brown, Blake Knisely, Narron Graves, and Coach Zolman. 5. Varsity team members are row 1: John Glover, Becca Shankster, Lacey Robinson, Carrie Walton, Becky Patterson, and Phil Yargosz; row 2: Coach Mishler, Jay Haugh, Ryan Speicher, Brad Brown, Ryan Mikel, Jared Mahnensmith, and Coach Woodard; row 3: Coach Davis, Coach Waltz, R.J. Nethaway, Brody Stipp, Justin Shelling, Kirk Kaiser, Chad Fisher, Jordan Bender, Scott Frantz, and Coach Zolman. 6. Ryan Mikel gets fouled. 7. Jay Haugh has the nice shot.

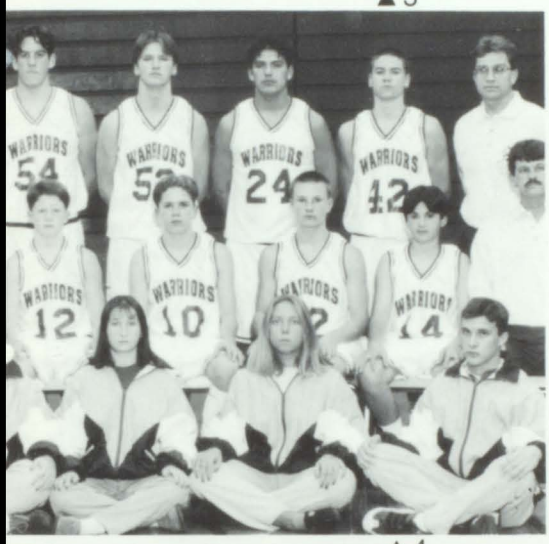


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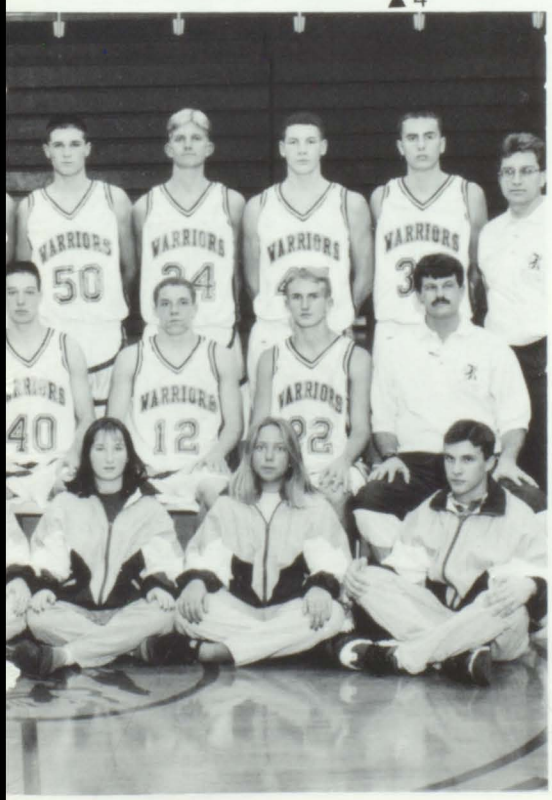




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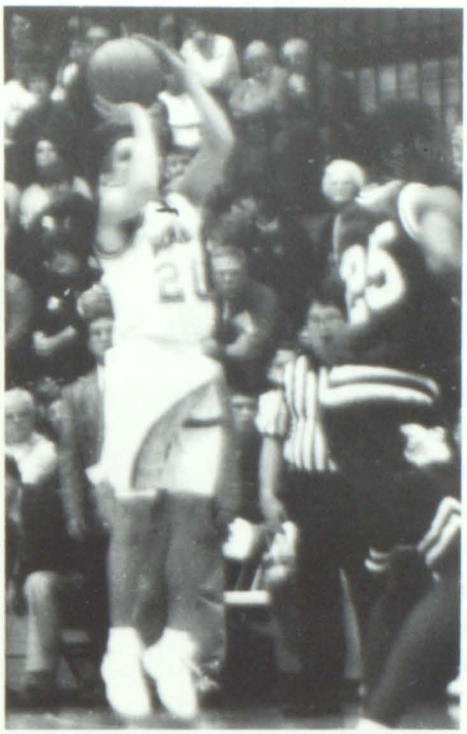
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New Head Coach

Boys' Basketball

Scores Points

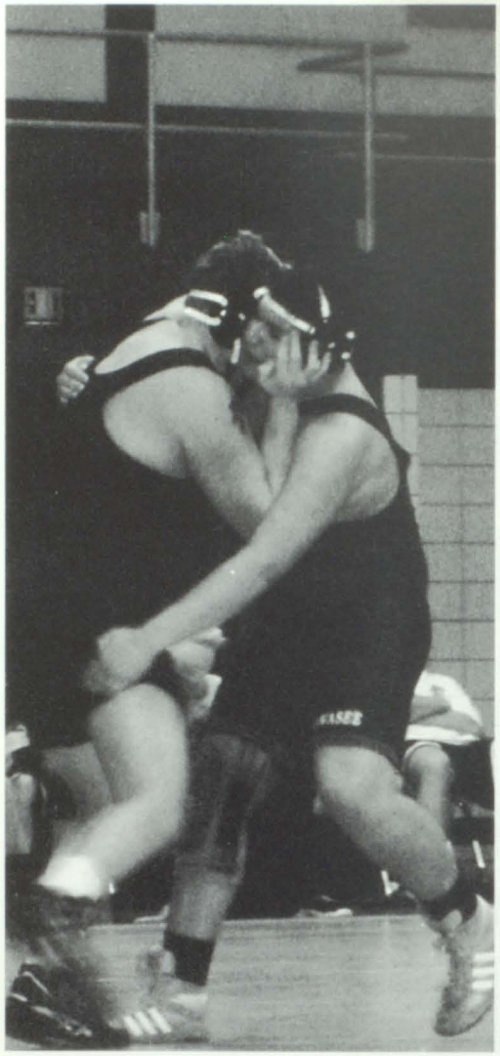
The varsity boys' basketball team, with new head coach Jerry Davis, finished their season with a disappointing record of 7 wins and 14 losses. Their seven wins came against Bremen, Westview, Manchester, Triton, West Noble, Mishawaka, and Fairfield. The team was 7th in the NLC race. In March the team was beaten in the first round of sectional play by Culver Military. Seniors Chad Fisher and Ryan Mikel showed much leadership throughout the season, with much help from the underclassmen. The junior varsity team ended the year with a good record of 10 wins and 10 losses. There was much leadership shown by Blake Knisely, Jeff Moerchen, and Narren Graves. The Warriors ended the NLC in second to last place. The freshman basketball team had a good season finishing with a record of 11 wins and 7 losses. They beat Northridge to place sixth in the NLC race. The freshman team also won the Manchester 4-way tourney. The team was coached by Cayle Woodard. Award winners were Jared Mahnensmith, MVP; Chad Fisher, most improved; Brody Stipp, most rebounds; Ryan Mikel, free throw; Jay Haugh, most steals; Narron Graves, J.V. coaches' award; R.J. Wilson, freshman free throw award.

On to State

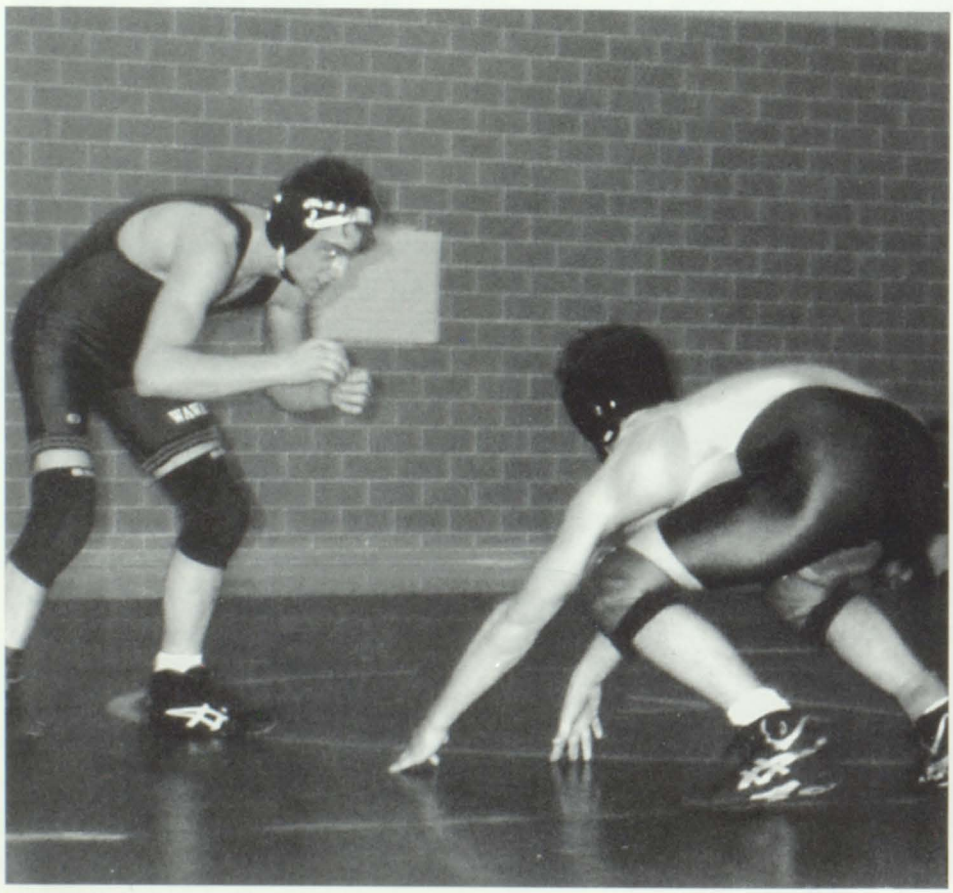
Warrior Wrestling

Total Team Effort

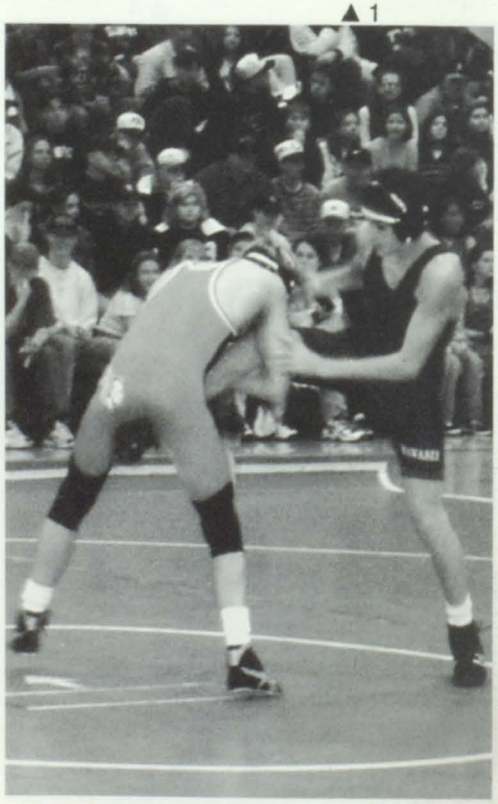
The boys' wrestling team had an exceptional season with the team advancing to team state competition and three individuals going to state in their weight classes. Those wrestlers were Darrell Carr, who placed second in the state; Shaun Belin; and Kevin Carr. Shaun Belin stated, "It was a great season overall. We just had a bad day at the wrong time (team state). I loved our team's relationship with each other." "Our team improved a lot since last year and our season was pretty good," commented Jason Carr. Coach DeHart said, "The attitude of the whole team and the intensity they had was great. They worked as a total team all season. I also want to thank the school for the support they showed the kids this season." The varsity team finished with a 14 and 4 record, and the JV team with a 7 and 3 record. Award winners were mental attitude, Jason Carr; rookie of the year, Shane Heimann; outstanding junior varsity, Tyler Cline; MVP, Darrell Carr; most improved, Travis Coy.



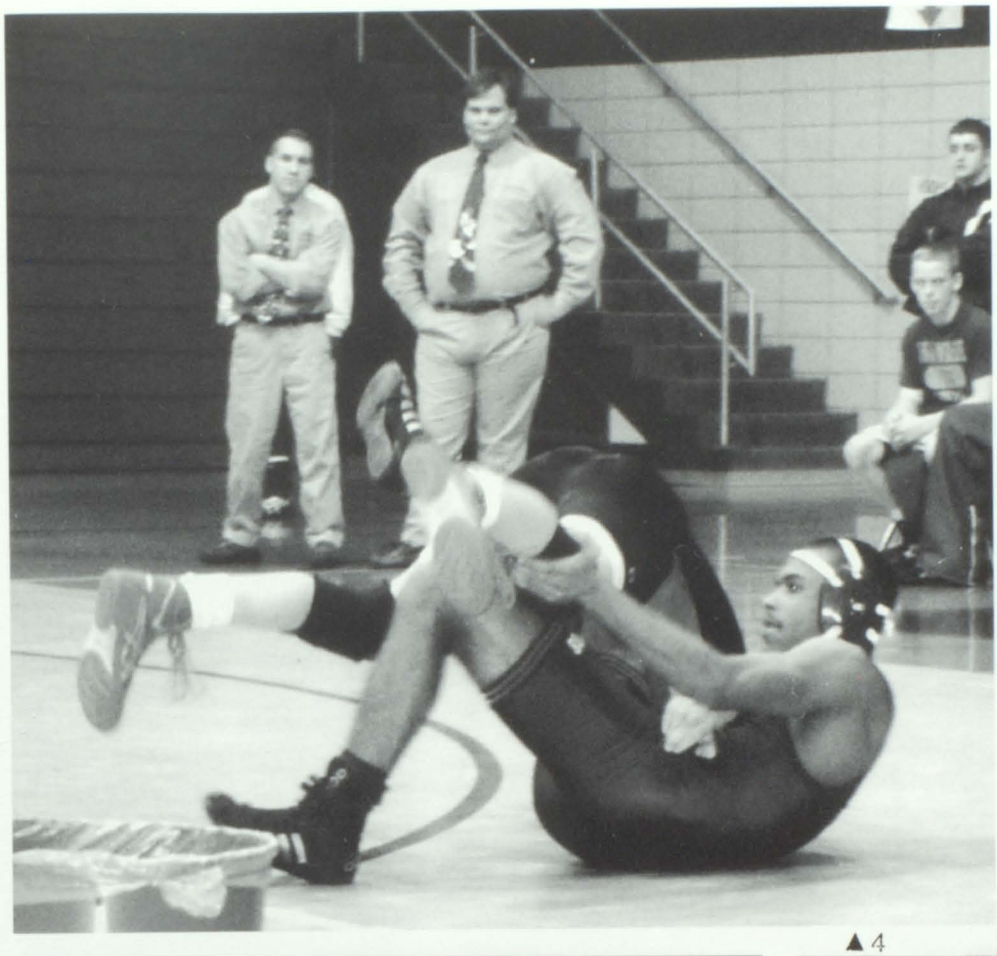
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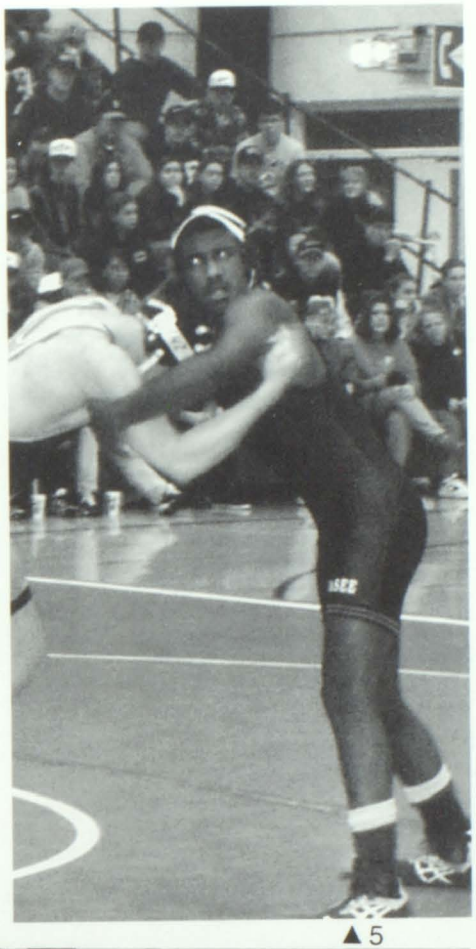
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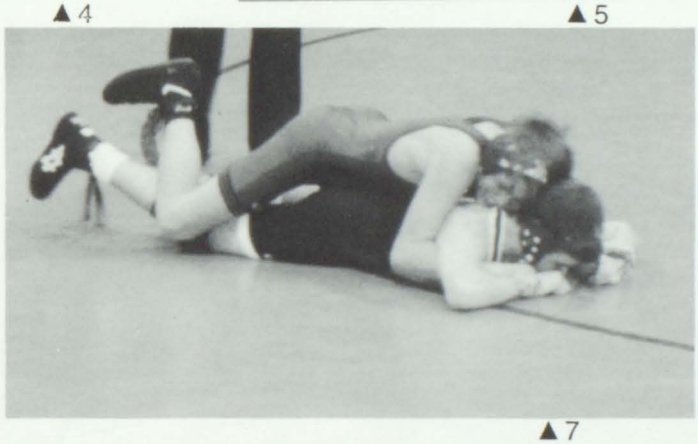
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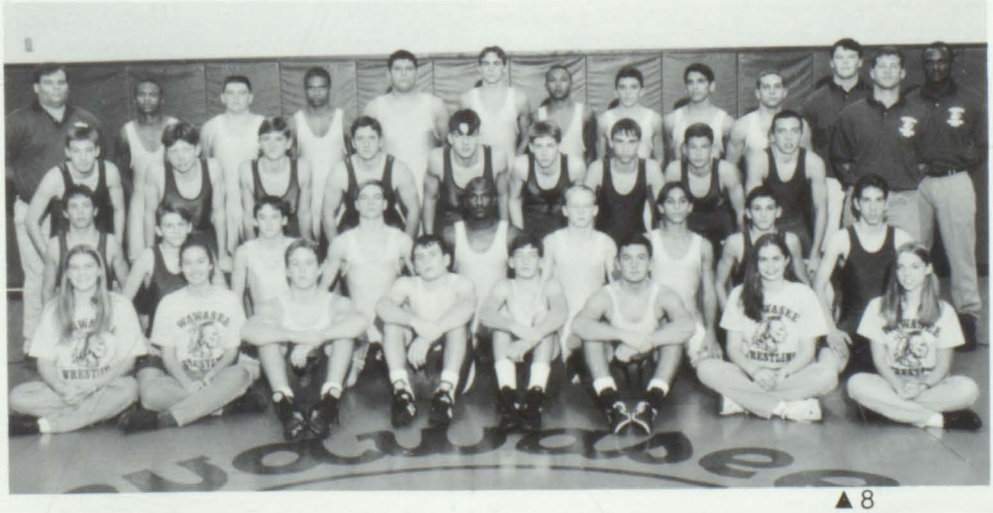
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1. Jamie Salazar takes down his opponent. 2. Ryan Johnson is ready to attack. 3. Jacen Hendricks tries to free himself. 4. Darrell Carr flips his opponent. 5. Shaun Belin checks the clock. 6. Chet Wortinger is hoping for a takedown. 7. Travis Coy has his opponent under control. 8. Members of the wrestling team are row 1: Adelphia Harris, Sarah Korenstra, Craig Jensen, Jeremy Walls, Chris Baumgartner, Sam Korenstra, Tamie Swihart, Krista Richey; row 2: Ken McIntosh, Travis Coy, Chet Wortinger, Ryan Johnson, Shaun Belin, Jeremy Tackitt, Shane Heimann, Jacen Hendricks, Tim Cotton; row 3: Kevin Carr, J.J. Davis, Chad Thorson, Rob Burke, Tom Bryan, Cory Hardin, Andrew Waugh, J.D. Lane, Tyler Cline, Coach Perek; row 4: Coach DeHart, Darrell Carr, Jessie Leonard, Jason Carr, Jamie Salazar, John Merchant, Kevin Carr, Troy Hendricks, Ben Heimann, Joe Long, assistant Shawn Bridinger, Coach Carr.

SECTIONAL CHAMPS

GYMNASTICS

DOES IT AGAIN

The lady gymnasts put another sectional title on the board. Out of a total of 25, this made their 20th sectional win, and fifth in a row. The team captain this year was the lone senior, Tierny Prather. Four promising freshmen joined the team. The Lady Warriors ended their regular season with a record of 11-1, losing to DeKalb. They fought back though and beat DeKalb later in the season at the Lakeland Invitational which they also won. The gymnasts' season ended with regionals at home. The team took fourth behind three of the top teams in the state. At the winter sports awards banquet six presentations were made. The coach's award was received by Darcy Replogle; outstanding JV award, Beckie Phillips; MVP, Tierny Prather; most improved, Katie Brown; drive, desire, and determination, Christa Olson; and outstanding rookie, Angie Beer.



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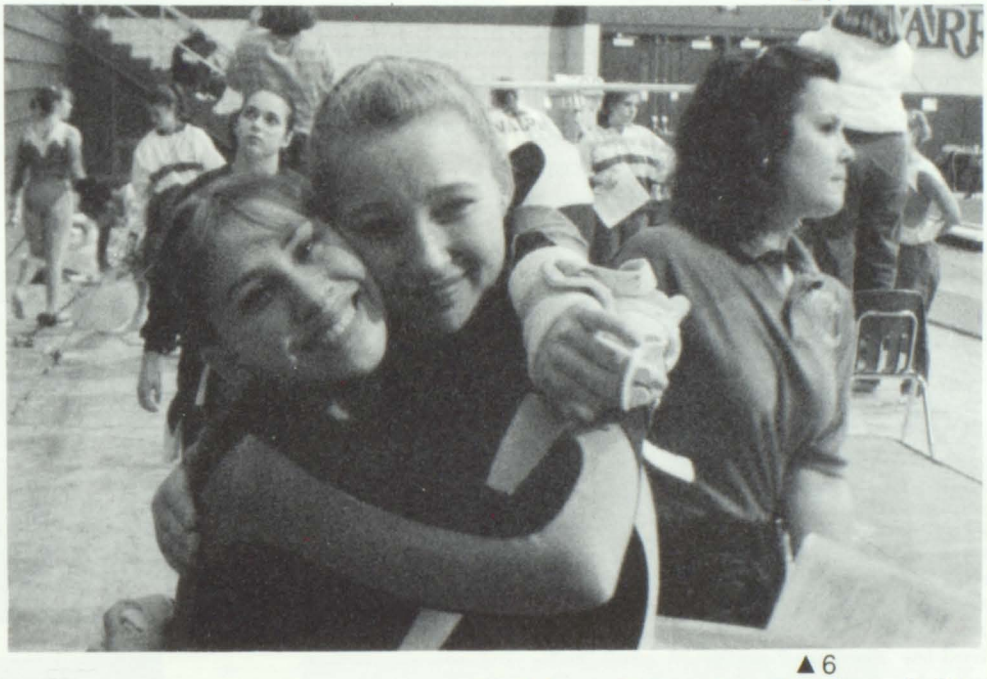
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1. Tierny Prather salutes the judges. 2. The gymnastics team is row 1: Coach Nika Prather, Beckie Phillips, Katie Brown, Lisa Ummel, Angie Beer, and assistant coach Paula Fiscus; row 2: manager Cara Belcher, Christa Olson, Jean Allen, Tierny Prather, Darcy Replogle, Sarah Mason, manager Emily Engelberth. 3. Angie Beer performs a back extension roll. 4. Katie Brown and Alexis Culver watch their team at regionals. 5. Beckie Phillips executes a cartwheel on the beam. 6. Tierny Prather and Christa Olson make a happy team. 7. Sarah Mason keeps her balance on her hand stand. 8. Coach Nika Prather discusses competition at regionals with Darcy Replogle.

BOYS' BASEBALL

UP AND DOWN

The Warrior baseball team had an aggressive season. Midway through the season it had a combination of 9 wins and 6 losses. Coach Blunk stated, "We made many improvements since the first practice and with every game we seemed to get better as a team." The two captains were Rob Burke and Rod Holterman. The four seniors all had a part in leading the team. The key to the Warrior victories was the strong hitting by each member. The JV record was 1-12 halfway through the season, while the freshman team was 0-4. The high point of the early season was the victory over Warsaw. Coach Blunk stated, "Coach Smith did an exceptional job as a first year coach." The highlight of the entire season was a sectional championship at Warsaw. The team lost, however, in first round regional play at Plymouth.



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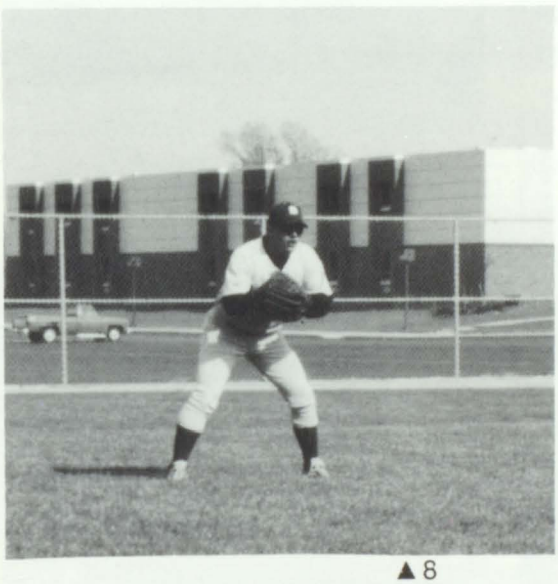
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1. Rod Holterman is getting warmed up for the big game. 2. Mike Oswald loves to catch. 3. Ronnie Black and R.J. Nethaway help Josh Michael off the field after he is hit by the ball. 4. Freshman team members are row 1: Kyle Swihart, Jace Stewart, Terry Gerke, R.J. Wilson, Drew Gradle, and Derek Eby; row 2: Coach Kinney, Neil Kelly, Sam Korenstra, Jeremy High, Todd Lovellette, Marc Smith, Toby Witmer. 5. Members of the J.V. team are row 1: Josh Zolman, Brian Milligan, Chris Adkins; row 2: Josh Michael, Aaron Drumm, Mike Oswald, John Shock; row 3: Coach Coblentz, Justin Bell, Ronnie Black, R.J. Nethaway, Travis Cox. 6. Varsity members are row 1: Manager Dina Coverstone, Manager Alicia Holterman, Brent Berkeypile, Matt Coy, Manager Carrie Grothaus, Manager David Long; row 2: Jody VanLue, Luke Baker, Jesse Leonard, Randy Rucker, Ryan Johnson, Ryan Carrington, Tony May; row 3: Coach Smith, Brad Swope. Shawn Johnson, Rob Burke, Rod Holterman, Josh Mitchell, Farhan Haq, Jeff Beer, Coach Blunk. 7. Nice form, Jody VanLue. 8. Brad Swope is ready for a ball. 9. Luke Baker protects third base. 10. Jesse Leonard, shouldn't you be paying attention? 11. Ryan Johnson and Jeff Beer warm up before the game. 12. Rob Burke throws a ball to Coach Blunk during warm-ups.



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SOFTBALL

HAVING FUN

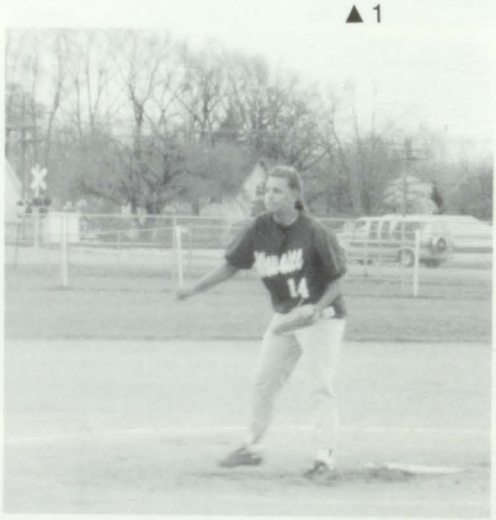
After capturing a sectional title last season, the softball team had a rough start this season. The two valuable roles of catcher and pitcher were left vacant by graduation. Ten games into the season the varsity girls had won only two games, but one was a key victory against conference rival NorthWood. The JV also got of to a slow start with a record of I win and 4 losses. For a change of pace, Coach O'Dell wanted the girls to bunt and run more. At mid-season Coach Miller commented on both squads, "Having such a young team, it was difficult to develop the basic skills in such a short period of time. However, we were getting there. Whether our record proved it or not, at the end of the season we had a solid team, and had fun in the process!" Those words were certainly true because the team captured a sectional title, but lost in the first round of the regional.



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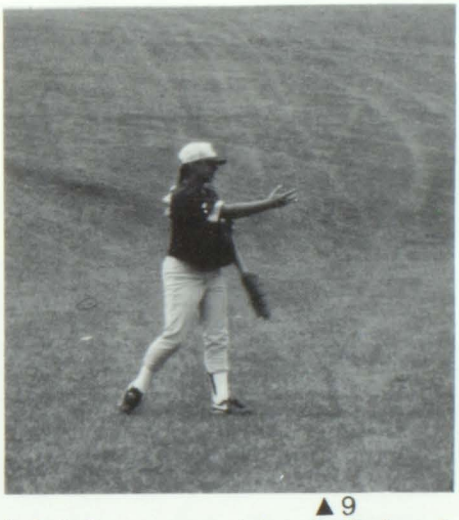
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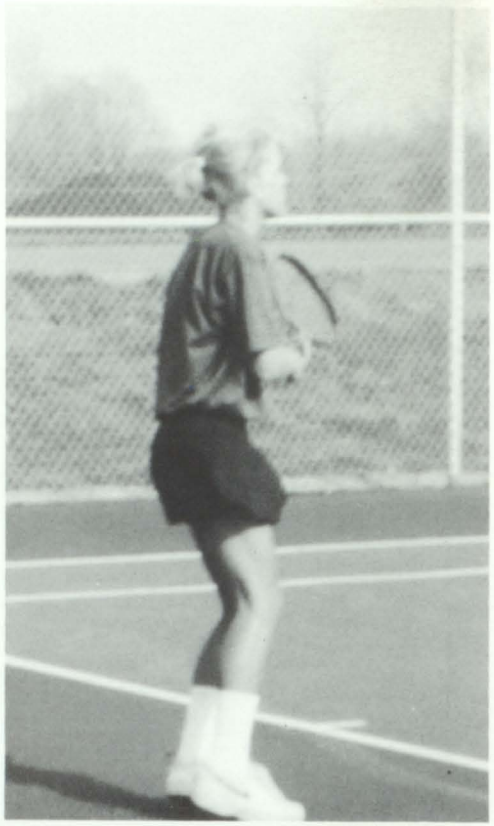
1. Angie Hoover steps up to bat. 2. Members of the varsity celebrate after a win including row 1: Megan King, Jenny Szynal, and Angie Hoover; row 2: Heather Levernier, Danielle Powell, Carly Beer, and Sara Frantz. 3. Jaime Conn pitches a strike. 4. Carly Beer is ready for the ball. 5. Jenny Szynal works in the outfield. 6. Members of the varsity team include row 1: Amy Cockburn, Jenny Szynal, Heather Levernier, Angie Hoover, and Carly Beer; row 2: Jaime Conn, Amy Gingerich, Sonya Beer, Kari Wortinger, Sara Frantz, Megan King, and Danielle Powell; row 3: Coach O'Dell and Coach Emerick. 7. Heather Levernier departs the field at the end of an inning. 8. Manager Amy Cockburn aids Jenny Szynal with batting. 9. Andrea Gingerich warms up her arm. 10. Members of the JV squad are row 1: Jennifer Mason, Andrea Gingerich, Amber Ramseyer, and Laura Karns; row 2: Julie Blakeslee, Amber Hall, Emily Minnick, Hayley VanLue, and Gennie Brissette; row 3: Brooke Cunningham, Kristin Vanlaningham, Coach Miller, Amanda Alles, Floyd Hill, Tara Hymer, and Melissa Meyerink.

WINNING SERVES

GIRLS' TENNIS

KEEPS BUILDING

The girls' tennis team was holding its own by the first of May. They were 2-3 in regular meets and 0-2 in the conference. Head Coach Mishler stated that the girls had shown potential from the start. "The team was building; we really improved in our game." The team consisted of a number of freshmen who had only done good things for the team. "When the freshmen are good, it pushes the upperclassmen to try even harder," said Assistant Coach Peterson. She also said that this was the best team that she had ever worked with. The team also participated in a number of activities outside of practice such as dinners and a water bottle decorating party. "The girls all had great attitudes and were really easy to get along with," commented Coach Peterson. "This really helped to make the team a success."



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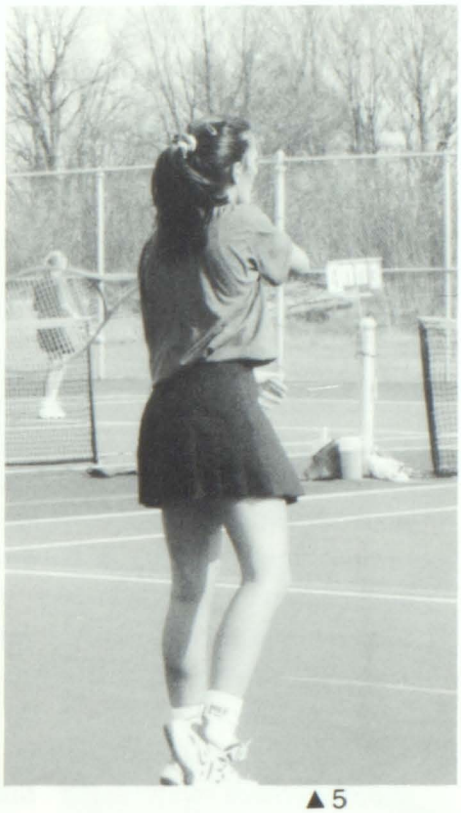
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1. Dena Harter plays hard. 2. Stephanie Shivers gives it her all. 3. Theresa Lundin keeps truckin'. 4. Katie Jones, Danielle Smith, and Jennifer DePlanty show their team spirit. 5. Kim Troup stays focused. 6. The tennis team members are row 1: Theresa Lundin, Kendra Damer, Laura Gunden, Adelphia Harris; row 2: Mandy Perzanowski, Mandi Schidler, Kim Troup, Kari Knisely; row 3: Coach Mishler, Mrs. Baumgartner, Dena Harter, Rachel Scarberry, Katie Jones, Stephanie Shivers, Heather Rich, Laura Lundin, Assistant Coach Peterson, Manager Amber Thomas; row 4: Manager Andy Cole, Jennifer DePlanty, Danielle Smith, Kara Matthew, Angela Kime, Jessica Marshall, Manager Ryan Perzanowski, and Manager Steven Ummel. 7. Kari Knisely shows her stuff. 8. Amber Thomas works hard on the stats.

RUNNING IN OVALS

GIRLS' TRACK

BURNS RUBBER

The Lady Warriors picked up this season where they left off last year, winning meets. Again the lady tracksters started off the year with their indoor competition, traveling to Purdue's Boiler Bomber Relays and the South Bend Classic. As of mid-season, the ladies' record was 8-2, losing to NorthWood in a three way meet and to Northridge in another three way. The team experienced quite a difference this year with the coaches. The girls' and boys' coaches decided to join forces this season, helping to specialize the athletes more. Coach Wechern took the distance runners; Coach Reutebuch, high jump and hurdles; Coach Jones, shot and discus; and Coaches Murphy and Dilbone, long jump and sprints. Sharing the coaches worked out well for both teams. The team captured another sectional title and sent seniors Alysha Aalbregtse and Mandy McGuire to state competition.



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1. Michelle Lamb takes a hurdle in stride. 2. Girls' track team members are row 1: Manager Heather Lamb, Alysha Aalbregtse, Stef Tarner, Aubrey Coy, Sharada Nethaway, Kara Waldbeser, Mandy McGuire, Manager Ric Speakman; row 2: Jill Mock, Lisa Ummel, Katie Brown, Angie Beer, Andrea VanCleave, Mary Cockburn, Cara Belcher, Alexis Culver, Casi Glassburn, Jane Walmsley, Alena List, Cheryl Grady, Manager Mary Sholty; row 3: Janice Bokhart, Staci Weisser, Kassie Biddle, Allison Morgan, Keshia Hunt, Viki Hunziker, Christina Adams, Alisha Henderson, Jackie Stanton, Coach Murphy; row 4: Coach Dilbone, Coach Reutebuch, Kim Reuter, Sarah Losee, Heather Long, Lydia Carpenter, Michelle Lamb, Kimber Chang, Katie McCauley, Elicia Ellis, Coach Jones, Coach Wechern. 3. Angie Beer soars into the pit. 4. Viki Hunziker runs the short relay. 5. Alexis Culver strives for first. 6. Kassie Biddle hands off to Alison Morgan. 7. Lydia Carpenter runs the 200 meter dash. 8. Alisha Henderson paces herself. 9. Stef Tarner gets the sand out of her toes. 10. Katie McCauley finishes strong.

New head Coach

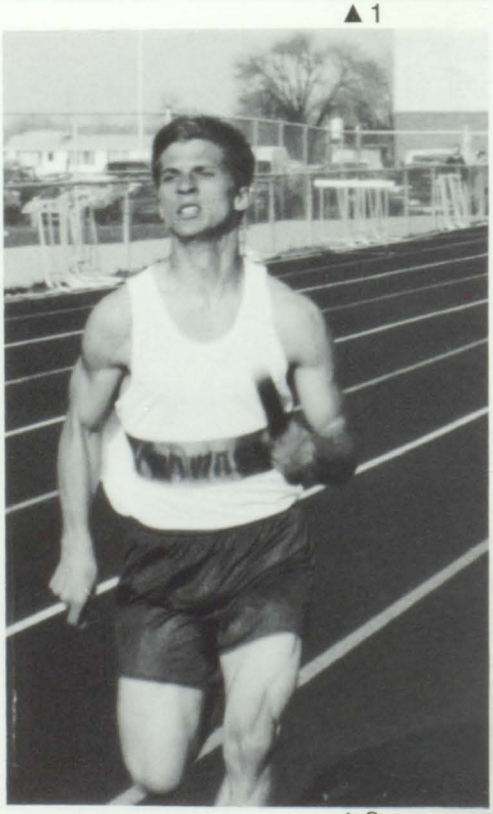
Boys' Track

New attitude

The Wawasee boys' track team experienced mixed results in their first year under new head coach Mr. Kerry Murphy. Mr. Murphy replaced longtime Wawasee track and cross-country coach Jerry Minton. Other new coaches were Mr. John Reutebuch in the high and low hurdling events and the high jump. Mr. Ron Wechern was the new middle and long distance coach. By mid-season the established leaders for the Warriors were the middle and long distance runners. Ryan Mikel was undefeated in the 800 meter run and threatening to break the 800 meter run and 400 meter dash school records. The other principle point scorers for the Warriors were Brad Brown in the 400 meter dash and 200 meter dash; Rustin Mikel in the 200 meter dash, 400 meter dash; John Hursh in the 1600 meter run and 3200 meter run; and Jeff Moerchen in the 1600 and 3200 meter runs. The 1600 meter relay team was also undefeated at mid-season and claimed victories at the Fort Wayne Northside relays and the Goshen relays. The team rotated members throughout the year. Brad Brown, Ryan Mikel, Rustin Mikel, John Glon, Luke Sawyer, and Chris Lambert all ran on the relay at some time throughout the season. The 3200 meter relay also experienced much success during the year. The team took second place at the Fort Wayne Northside relays and the Goshen relays and had only lost once during the regular season to Goshen. The multiple team members were Brad Brown, Rustin Mikel, John Glon, John Hursh, and Ryan Mikel. The Wawasee distance medley team consisting of Ryan Mikel, John Hursh, Rustin Mikel, John Glon, and Brad Brown also was very successful. The team took first place at the South Bend Indoor Classic and second place at the Fort Wayne Northside relays. Leading the Warriors in the field events were Matt Stump and Luke Sawyer in the long jump; Adam Brown and Jeff Nelson in the high jump; and Luke Matz and Matt Binns in the shot put and discus. Richard Moore and Chris Lambert were the Warriors' top two hurdlers. Leading the Warriors in the sprints were Luke Matz, Scott Ousley, and Trent Gaff. Sophomore distance standout Jeff Moerchen stated, "I really enjoyed this year. There was a great sense of friendship and work ethic among the middle and long distance runners." Coach Murphy stressed personal improvement and a winning attitude as the ingredients for a success season. According to Coach Murphy, "That is what it was all about."



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1. Ryan Mikel takes off en route to another victorious 800 meter run. 2. John Glon strides out the last lap on his leg of the 3200 relay. 3. Members of the boys' track team are row 1: Case Hensler, Jared Stoffel, John Heckaman, Ryan Yoder, Joe Baumgartner, Matt Binns, Tom Bryan; row 2: Nick Ritenour, Chris Baumgartner, Bryan Bronsing, Paul Gilliam, J.D. Lane, Jesse Schaefer, Rick Lemberg, Bryce Schaefer, Rusty VanLue, Curtis Shoemaker; row 3: Coach Lisa Dilbone, Trent Gaff, Matt Stump, Chris Lambert, Miguel Roa, Ryan Mikel, John Glon, Rustin Mikel, Jeff Moerchen, Dusty Lytle, and Coach Kerry Murphy; row 4: Coach John Reutebuch, Luke Matz, Andrew Waugh, Adam Brown, Scott Ousley, Brad Brown, Richard Moore, Jeff Nelson, Luke Sawyer, John Hursh, Coach Steve Jones, Coach Ron Wechern. 4. Brad Brown passes the baton to Ryan Mikel in the 3200 meter relay. 5. Curtis Shoemaker and Jared Stoffel compete in the junior varsity 1600 meter run. 6. An injured Luke Sawyer rakes the long jump pit during a meet. 7. Matt Stump emerges from the long jump pit amidst flying sand and scattered dirt.

Off to A Good Start

Boys' Golf

Finishes Strong

The Warrior golf team was off and putting to a great start. Coaches for the Warriors were Don Deck and Ed Raymond. With seven meets in the bag, they were undefeated. Another winning combination was the freshmen and sophomores at the LaVille Invitational, as they won it for a second year in a row. The team was led by senior Pat McCauley; juniors Johnathon Hulley and Travis Coy; sophomore Scott White. Captain for the Warriors was Pat McCauley. Practicing ground for the golf team was South Shore, which was where they played their home meets, too. Johnathon Hulley commented, "If everyone kept their heads into the meets and continued to practice hard, the team could not fail to be successful."



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1. Chad Wortinger appears to have good form. 2. Members of the golf team are row 1: Chad Campbell, Carter Ploszek, Chad Wortinger, Johnathon Hulley; row 2: Ryan Skaggs, Travis Coy; row 3: Coach Skaggs, Coach Dodds, Brad Hursh, Nathan Scherer, Ryan Speicher, Pat McCauley, Leighton Wells, Josh Cole, Scott White, Coach Deck. 3. Brad Hursh is pleased with his swing. 4. Travis Coy, Ryan Skaggs, Chad Campbell, and Josh Cole seem to be happy. 5. Johnathon Hulley, Scott White and Pat McCauley love to golf. 6. Travis Coy tees his ball. 7. Johnathon Hulley decides which club he wants. 8. Leighton Wells smiles as Scott White hits.

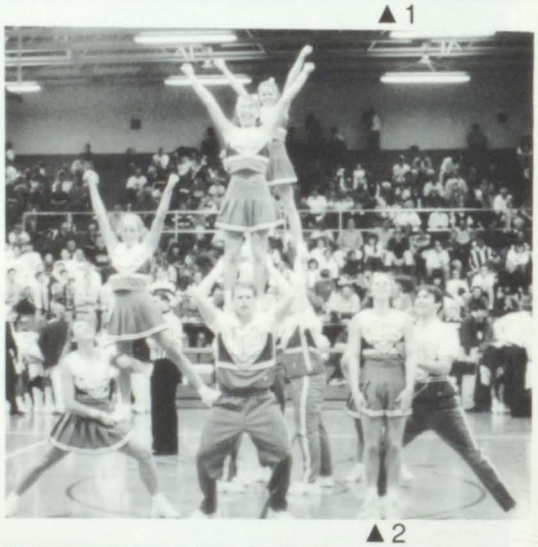
CHEERLEADING

THE NEW SPORT

For the first year, cheerleaders were given equal treatment in comparison to other sports. They were on the same point system with the same rules and regulations. The mascot and princess were also eliminated from the cheerleader roster for the first time. The squads started the season at camp in August. During the fall they attended at least one event for each sport and supported the teams with goodie bags. During the winter the cheerleaders continued the tradition of cheering at the boys' basketball games but managed to also attend the girls' home basketball games. Varsity coach Christine Rucker, junior varsity coach Lynn Geyer, and freshman coach Cheryl Martin led their teams to regional competition. The varsity team moved on to state competition where they performed two cheers and a dance. Leigh Anne Gerber and Ken Lawrance placed second in the doubles stunt division. Heather Lamb received honorable mention in the individual competition. Varsity awards were given to Ken Lawrance, MVP; Traci Speicher, spirit; Heather Lamb, mental attitude; Sharada Nethaway, captain award. On the JV team awards were given to Alicia Holterman, mental attitude; Jenny Workman, spirit; and frosh mental attitude, Katie Jones. Heather Lamb won the blanket award.



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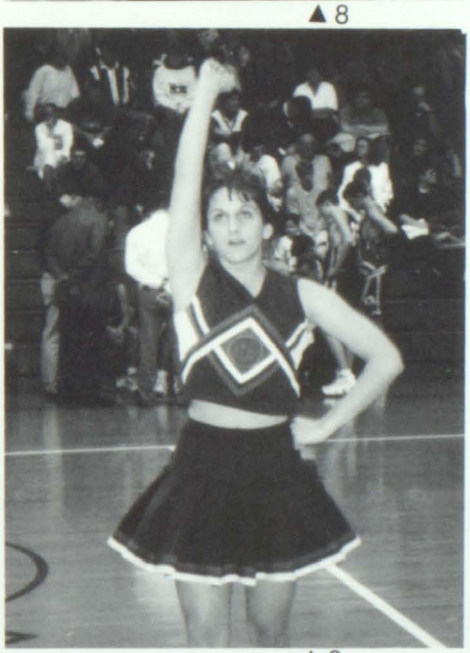
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1. Shiloh Butler demonstrates her school spirit at the talent show. 2. The Warrior cheerleaders step it up with a pyramid; row 1: Sharada Nethaway, Ken Lawrance, Tracey Gradle, Chris Boyts; row 2: Leigh Anne Gerber, Heather Lamb; row 3: Traci Speicher. 3. The freshman cheerleader members are row 1: Beth Buhrt, Colleen Hickey; row 2: Jennifer DePlanty, Paige Gerber, Katie Jones. 4. Beth Buhrt, Paige Gerber, Jennifer DePlanty, and Katie Jones participate in the homecoming parade. 5. The varsity cheerleader and lifting members are row 1: Sharada Nethaway, Heather Lamb; row 2: Ric Speakman, Leigh Anne Gerber, Tracey Gradle, Shiloh Butler, Ken Lawrance; row 3: Josh Nicholl, Rachel Hurd, Traci Speicher, Aaron Allen; row 4: Chris Boyts. 6. The junior varsity cheerleader members are row 1: Alicia Holterman, Jenny Workman; row 2: Abby Bultemeier, Missy Miller, Lisa Umbaugh; row 3: Jessica Marshall, Angie Hollar. 7. Traci Speicher, Leigh Anne Gerber, Jenny Workman, and Tracey Gradle psych up the Warrior fans while the team warms up. 8. Alicia Holterman and Lisa Umbaugh show enthusiasm for their team. 9. Missy Miller shows her support during a boys' basketball game.

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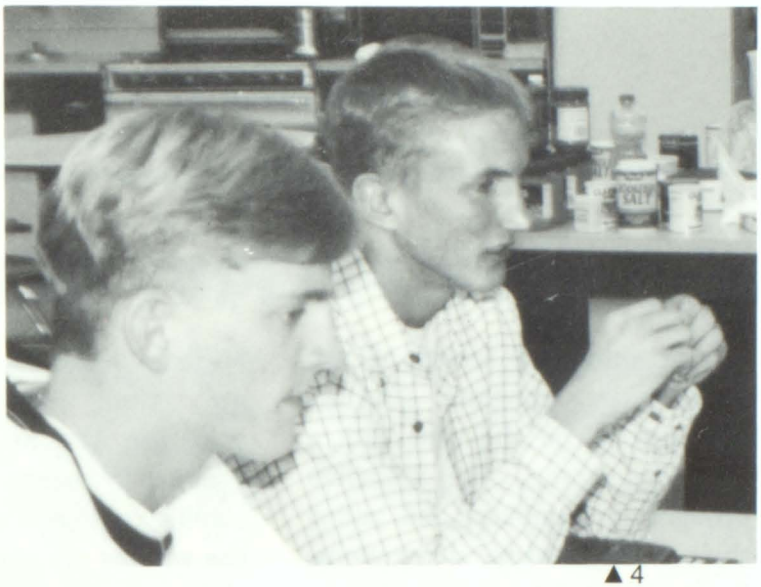


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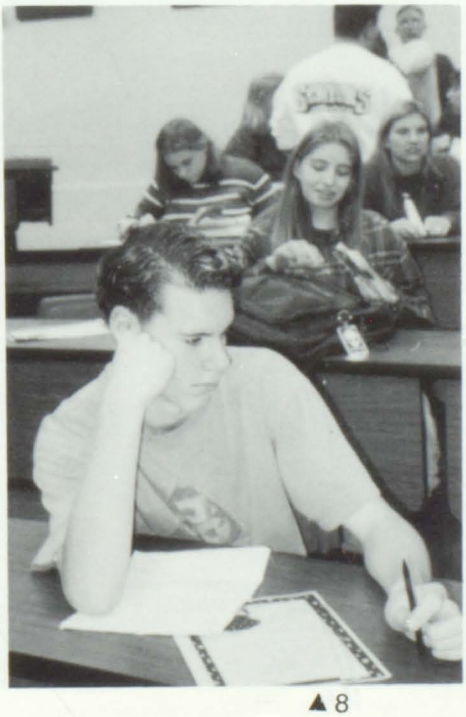
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1. Erik Weaver is a dedicated member of art club. 2. Kyle Wurtzel stands up to Mr. Lambert at the FFA auction. 3. Whitney Pilcher works on an entry for the art show. 4. Chad Fisher and Jared Mahnensmith wait for the SRC meeting to begin. 5. Casey Burnworth, Miss Wooldridge, and Joe Baumgartner discuss the mystery play. 6. Brad Jones enjoys newspaper. 7. Sharada Nethaway is paying close attention in her SRC meeting. 8. Jim Baumgartner is daydreaming during a drama club meeting.



ART CLUB

KEEPS ART ALIVE

In the wonderful world of art, many things happened. The art club started off the year with a pumpkin carve. The members brought in pumpkins and added their own creative decorations. During the holiday season the art club members got together for a Christmas Party. The members exchanged homemade gifts and played games to celebrate the season. When warm weather arrived, art club started planning a field trip to the Notre Dame Art Museum. Also in the spring the art club members helped supervise the art show during Wander Wawasee. The art show exhibit contained art by many of the various art students. The art club consisted of thirty-four members. The officers were Beth Richcreek, president; Heather Morgan, secretary/treasurer. Mr. Johnson and Mrs. Bryan helped make art club a success by sponsoring all art club events.



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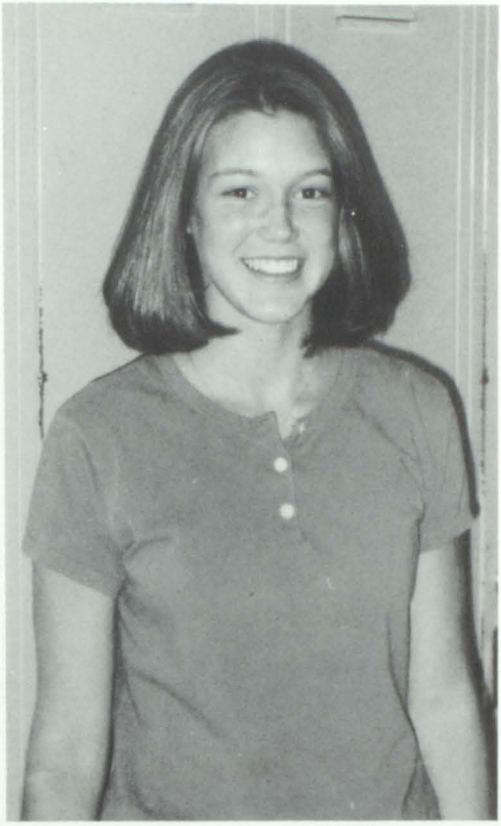
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1. Beth Richcreek has a blast carving her pumpkin. 2. Heather Morgan, Kaiyra McLaughlin, and Scott Bryan have fun at the pumpkin carve. 3. Whitney Pilcher, Kristen Sigler and Kaiyra McLaughlin wait for the art club meeting to begin. 4. The art club members are row 1: Stephanie Hartoin, Kristen Sigler, Whitney Pilcher, Heather Morgan, Beth Richcreek; row 2: Kassandra Lanhan, Staci Weisser, Tim White, Nicole Pope, Kristi Martin, Erik Weaver, Lacey Patterson, Scott Bryan, Krista Richey; row 3: Jamie Lemon, Kimber Chang, and Brad Hursh.





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SPIRIT FOR SPORTS

BIG MOUTH CLUB

STAYIN' ALIVE

The signs for athletic team members that were seen throughout the hallways and on lockers had a great deal of work behind them. Big Mouth club stayed supportive throughout the year by making signs for all athletic teams. The Big Mouth club contained a good portion of Wawasee's student body, and also had a great deal of staff support. The club also supported basketball by organizing a cheer block for the sectionals at Warsaw. The dribblers that traveled to the sectionals were also sponsored by the Big Mouth club. The club was also responsible for the tailgate parties that took place before fall and spring sports events. Big Mouth used the point system to earn credits for sectional seats by helping make signs. The Big Mouth club was to thank for all of the school spirit.



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1. Mary Cockburn is a dedicated Big Mouth member. 2. Brad Hursh gets his homework done so he can spend time before school making signs. 3. Sandy Drake supports her school. 4. Big Mouth members are row 1: Emily Engelberth, Brad Hursh, Bryan Martin, Jaxon Swain, Jamie Lemon, Jane Wamsley, Megan King, Amy Wright, Becky Darr, Stacie Sparks, Stephanie Wihebrink, Melissa Miller, Kati Biddle, Alison Morgan, Traci Speicher, Jennifer Mason, Heather Whiteman, Dena Harter, Becky Neterer, Tresa Hodgson; row 2: Cheryl Grady, Katie Richardson, Heather Long, Ora Freeman, Theresa Lundin, Kim Troup, Heather Kirkwood, Kimber Chang, Michelle Lamb, Amanda Alles, Stephanie Shivers, Krista Bestul, Angie Beer, Sandy Drake, Jenny Workman, Jamie Conn, Amber Baker; row 3: Lydia Carpenter, Jean Allen, Erin Griffith, Lisa Klinger, Teresa Miller, Mandy Thomas, Kassie Plikerd, Kassie Biddle, Sarah Korenstra, Abby Bultemeier, Jaclyn Craver, Viki Hunziker, Shyla Belin, Katie Jones, Amy Gallmeier, Carrie Grothaus, Christa Olson, Ryan Hilgenberg, Josh Eby, Christine Lewallen, Jared Mahnensmith, Scott Ousley, Kara Matthew, Kari Wortinger, Shawn Johnson, Chad Fisher, Matt Stump, John Glon, Ryan Johnson, Amber Thomas, Karen Shipley, Laura Lundin, Michael Oswald, Kari Beer, Sharada Nethaway.

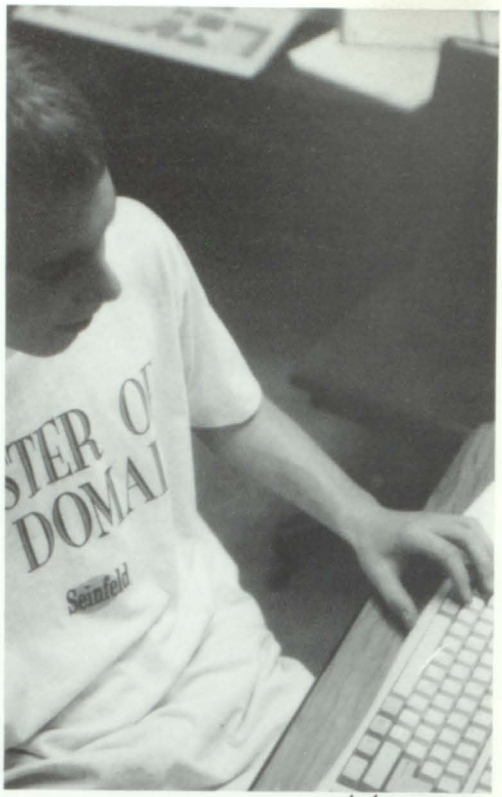


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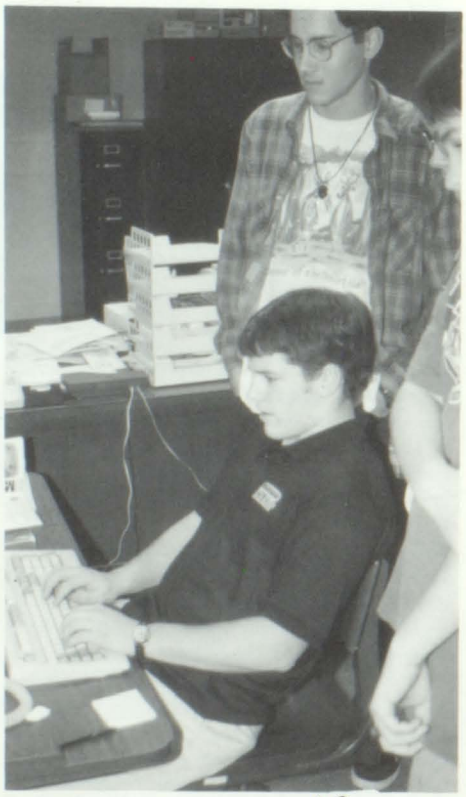
Computer Club

Goes Online

There were 22 members in computer club. At meetings, activities included the Bulletin Board System, and computers in general were discussed. A second phone line was added to the Bulletin Board System for more access to the internet. With special parental permission, all students were allowed to "surf" the net in Mr. VanLue's office during their free periods. Every month members of the computer club had a game night. On these evenings a good time was had by all. They enjoyed playing a variety of games and snacking on pizza. Officers included: Ray Belsan, president and CO-Sysop; Neal Beer, vice-president; Phil Kuhn, CO-Sysop; Chris Cunningham, treasurer; and Josh Fisher, secretary.



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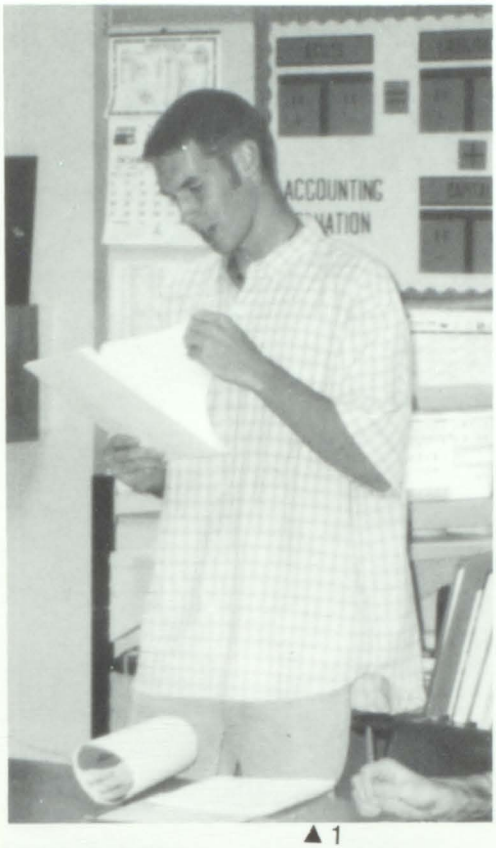
1. Joe Baumgartner wonders why he did not take typing. 2. Neal Beer works steadily on the computer. 3. President Ray Belsan leads a discussion during a meeting. 4. Members of the computer club are row 1: Mr. VanLue and Eric Gillem; row 2: Nick Winters, Josh Fisher, Nick Ritenour, Ray Belsan, Chris Cunningham, and Neal Beer.



DECA

STATE BOUND

Distributive Education Clubs of America, DECA, was a marketing club that tried to help prepare students for the business world. At meetings fundraisers were discussed, members of the month were elected, and preparation for competition took place. All 28 DECA members attended the District 2 regional contest in South Bend, and seven members continued on to the state competition. Of the members who went to state, five placed well in regional including: Jeff Nelson in job interview, first place; David Close, Kevin Williamson, and Josh Mitchell in human relations, first place; and Jody Brown took fifth in retail merchandising. The officers for DECA were Jeff Nelson, president; Nathan Scherer, vice-president; Jenny Eades, treasurer; and Shawnta Pippenger, secretary.



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1. DECA president Jeff Nelson leads a meeting during homeroom. 2. Members of the club are row 1: David Close, Jerod Galloway, Jeb Freeman, Josh Mitchell, Erin Griffith, and Britt Phillips; row 2: Nathan Scherer, Melissa Sparks, Kamby Essig, Jenny Eades, Laura Smith, and Shawnta Pippenger; row 3: Jeff Nelson, Cassandra Walton, Sara Levernier, Darcy Murphy, Katie Fisher, Jody Brown, and Mr. Murphy; row 4: Richard Moore, Scott Ousley, Kim Jacquay, Jeremy Lantz, Rob Blair, Mike Vint, and Kevin Williamson. 3. Jerod Galloway listens closely. 4. Laura Smith refuses to pay attention to David Close.

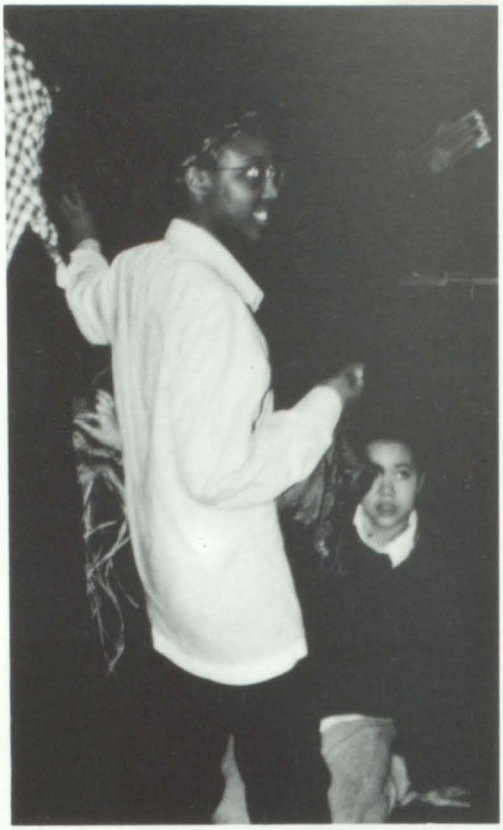


New York and Chicago

Drama Club

Travels Around

The Wawasee drama club was awfully busy. In the fall club members traveled to Chicago to see *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.* In order to raise money the club sponsored Data Match, Christmas tree sales, and Super Bowl food for parties. Some of this money went to help pay for a trip to New York for 19 students during spring break. The rest of the money went towards purchasing items for the fall play, *Father of the Bride*, and the spring musical, *Babes in Arms.* In May the members put on a mystery theater for the public. Ticket buyers ate dessert and gathered clues to try to solve a mystery. The officers for the drama club were Cliff Schwartz, president; Meghann Stewart, V.P.; Beth Farrell, treasurer; Abby Weiss, secretary; sponsor, Miss Wooldridge.



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1. Sarah Schwartz helps set up the stage for *Babes in Arms.* 2. Sandy Drake attends a drama club meeting. 3. Drama club members are row 1: Rebecca Roose, Margaret Shutske, Meg Tsukamoto, Steffi Heymann, T.J. Gibson, Stacie Sparks, Beth Farrell, Lindsay Kaiser, Kelli Habb, Jill Garber, Brenda Wong; row 2: Mike Oswald, Anke Mulder, Tara Callahan, Cassandra Reed, Mandy Bixler, Amii Bischof, Becky Darr, Ryan Means, Patty Stroebel, Kim Reuter, Dana Campbell, Sandy Drake, Toni Nash; row 3: Dan Glaser, Aaron McFarland, Missy Tusing, Jane Wamsley, Katie Richardson, Kristy Sullivan, Stephanie Wong, Sarah LeCount, Cliff Schwartz, Liz Dull, Stacey Kraft, J.C. Wogomon, Sarah Schwartz; row 4: Joe Baumgartner, Meghann Stewart, Abby Weiss, Dan Cone, Seth Scantlen, John Hursh, Heather Kirkwood, Erin Griffith, Mary Craig, Jenny Twait, Variety Adams, Faith White, Miss Woolridge. 4. Meg Tsukamoto and Steffi Heymann are foreign exchange students who participate in drama club.



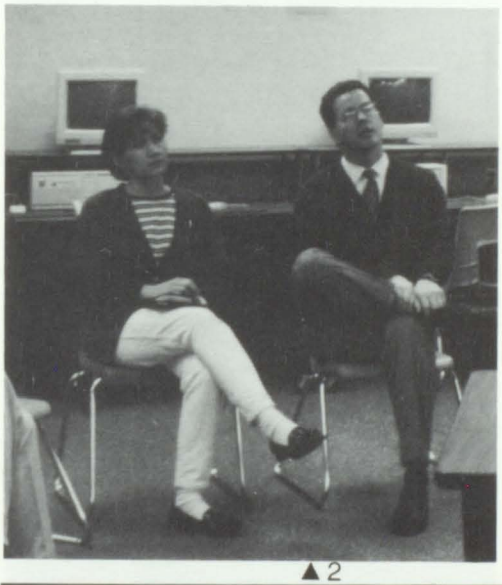
FCA

HELPS NEEDY

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes met every two weeks to learn and talk about how God influenced their lives. The sponsors for FCA, Mr. VanDrie and Ms. Flueckiger, organized the club's activities. The members delivered food to a needy family at Christmas time. During meetings many faculty members and members of the community talked to the youth about their Christian walk. Many FCA members, along with other students, participated in the annual "See you at the pole" during the fall. This is when many students around the country met one morning at their schools' flagpole to pray for their school and community. There were no FCA officers, but everyone helped with organizing club games and everyone participated in devotions.



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1. A guest speaker at an FCA meeting is Mr. Coblentz. 2. The FCA sponsors are Ms. Flueckiger and Mr. VanDrie. 3. Jenny Marty, Andy Jones, Chad Campbell and Rachelle Freeman listen to the speaker during a meeting. 4. The members of FCA are row 1: Rachelle Freeman, Becky Neterer, Traci Speicher, Katy Biddle; row 2: Kara Price, Karissa Evans, Jenny Marty, Jenny Workman, Andy Jones, Julia Neff; row 3: sponsor Ms. Flueckiger, Michelle Lamb, Ryan Johnson, Bob Phillips, sponsor Mr. VanDrie.



FEA

FUTURE LEADERS

Future Educators in Action (FEA), led by Mr. Iden, had an eventful year. They had an observation day where they worked as student aides with elementary and middle school teachers to get a feel of what their future jobs had in store. Many of the FEA members were also cadet teachers, which also gave them insight into what teaching was like. FEA held a smoking education program during which they presented the American Lung Association's Peer Teaching Program to all of the 5th grade classes in the corporation. Officers for FEA were Amy Cockburn, president; Aldelphia Harris, vice-president; Jill Meyer, secretary; and Richard Moore, treasurer. "The major objective of the club was for members to explore the teaching profession to see if it was the career choice for them," stated Mr. Iden.



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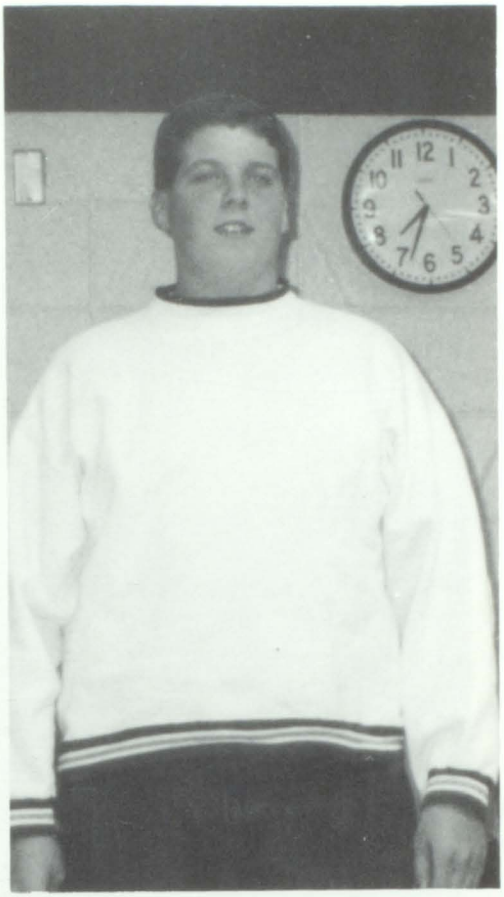
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1. Amy Cockburn runs the meeting with style. 2. FEA members are row 1: Richard Moore, Taia Pletcher, Julie Glon, Laura Gunden, Jennifer Ganshorn; row 2: Amanda Dull, Jessica Christoffel, Carissa Coverstone, Steve Ummel, Amy Cockburn; row 3: Mr. Iden, Kassie Plikerd, Teresa Miller, and Angie Hoover. 3. Kassie Plikerd is, as usual, laughing. 4. Jennifer Ganshorn, Richard Moore, Jenny Kuhn, and Amber Baker participate in an FEA meeting.



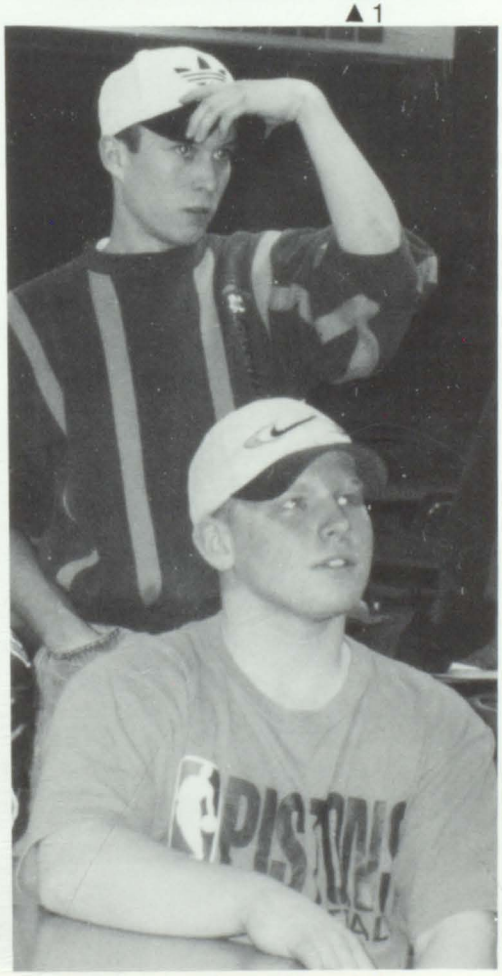
FFA

AH, SUCCESS



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Future Farmers of America (FFA) had a busy year. They had a dairy judging team that competed at the World Dairy Expo in Madison, Wisconsin, for the second year in a row. Team members included Marc Beer, Tanya Myers, and Rob Schlipf. They also had a livestock judging team that placed 7th at the National Western Stock Show in Denver, Colorado. Gunther Kreps, Brian Warren, Jason Haab, Matt Grady, and Michelle Hershberger were the participants on this team. FFA also traveled to Oklahoma City to compete in a soil judging team competition. The team placed fifth at the national judging contest. The proud members were Gunther Kreps, Brian Warren, Marc Beer, and Adam Warren. Nine FFA members attended the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. The chapter officers included president, Gunther Kreps; vice-president, Michelle Hershberger; secretary, Ryan Harper; treasurer, Brian Warren; reporter, Marc Beer; and sentinel, Jason Haab.



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1. Marc Beer prepares to be purchased at the annual slave auction. 2. Jason Haab and Troy Thomas enjoy participating in FFA. 3. FFA members are row 1: Trent Nabinger, Lafe Huntsman, Andy Gardner, Troy Thomas; row 2: Eric Pinkerton, Marc Beer, Gunther Kreps, Michelle Hershberger; row 3: Kelly Myers, Jason Haab, Steve Hollar, Shad Krull; row 4: Kirk Kaiser, John Mock, Matt Grady; row 5: Angie Wiggs, Tanya Myers. 4. Mary Sholtey appears to be nervous about being a slave.



HALF-HOUR OF POWER

FOR HIM!



Half-Hour of Power made its first appearance at Wawasee. It was a Christian oriented club in which students joined together to share their religious beliefs. It started off with a bang; they had over 120 members, thus becoming the largest club at Wawasee. Meetings opened with a student led prayer and continued with an opportunity for students to share prayer requests and testimonies. This was followed by a short devotional that applied to every day life. The club also invited guest speakers to share how God had worked in their lives. One such speaker was Ray Lefevra who sang and shared his life testimony. Another speaker was Ray McElroy who played professional football for the Indianapolis Colts. He too had an inspiring testimony of God's work in his life. The club was sponsored by Brooks Koble; however, it was run by students. Club members elected Seth Scantlen and Jamie Salazar as president and vice-president.

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1. Margaret Shutske loves letting God's light shine through her life. 2. The Half Hour of Power members are row 1: Michelle Williams, Kerri Moorman, Monica Lamb, Earl Beezley, Trish Carlassara, Brandon Boyts, Tara Evans, Amanda Current, Dan Rater, Carissa McCullough, David Jackson, Kasha Barrett, Melissa Murphy, Sandy Drake; row 2: Chauncey Wiggs, Lindsay Nagy, Margaret Shutske, Autumn Nickles, Connie Willett, Shannon Troup, Christina Yoder, Vanessa Felgar, Travis Stull, Chad Durre, Melinda Cook, Richard Stoddard, Eric Gillem, Angie Hollar, Becky Neterer, Dena Harter, Jessica Marshall, Katy Biddle, Jenny Workman, Heather Whiteman, Traci Speicher, Blake Knisley; row 3: Glenn Strycker, Bob Phillips, Emily Minnick, Elicia Ellis, Jennifer DePlanty, Beth Buhrt, Colleen Hickey, Paige Gerber, Tara Niles, Steph Hartoin, Anna Snavely, Janine Champoux, Bryan Sohl, J.J. Davis, Jacen Hendricks, Jason Carr, Katie Richardson, Brooke Arnold, Anna Byrket, Rebekah Thompson, Valerie Jeffrey, Sara Ball; row 4: Julie Adams, Curtis Shoemaker, Melissa Greer, Sarah Combs, Kristy Waugh, Misti Casinger, Julie Blakeslee, Jennifer Niles, Dana Campbell, Julia Neff, Rachelle Freeman, Chris Boyts, Amy Gingerich, Rachelle Neff, Shaun Belin, Nick Scribner, Li Umber, Jason Lewallen, Matt Moe, Chris Lambert, Derick Eby, John McCullough; row 5: Hannah Rensberger, Jerry Thompson, Nicole Reynolds, Sarah Arnold, Tiffany Bohnstedt, Heather Ruch, Sara Newman, Josh Zolman, Matt Engelberth, Jeff Moerchen, Olga Panchenko, Kara Price, Shawn Johnson, Scott Ousley, Darrell Carr, Kevin Carr, Phil Dowden, Brody Stipp, Trent Gaff, Aaron Jaress, John Hulley, Brad Combs, Alan Wilson, Brooks Koble, Jamie Salazar. 3. Olga Panchenko, Kara Price, and Chris Lambert enjoy Half-Hour of Power because it gives them the chance to fellowship with other Christians.



JAZZ BAND

SOUND SHAKERS



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The 35 students in the jazz band continued the tradition of playing music at Wawasee's basketball games this year. In order to join the club, each prospective member had to perform a series of auditions. The selected members then contributed several hours of their free time every week towards making the group as good as possible. They were led by the dedicated director, Mr. Clark. The jazz band was in charge of making sure that the crowd was pumped up. It was their job to react at crucial moments during the games and insure crowd participation. They also performed during the time outs and accompanied the cheerleaders with music during the pre-game and half time. At the beginning of February, the group participated in the solo and ensemble competition where they were awarded a first place division.



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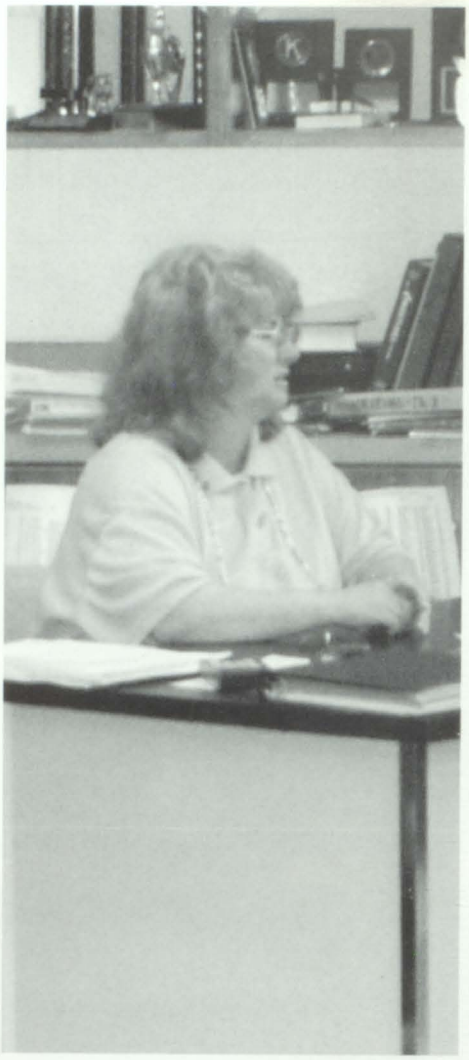
1. Pat McCauley jams on his saxophone. 2. Ken Lawrance, Bob Phillips, and Kara Price practice for competition. 3. Jazz Band members are row 1: Taia Pletcher, Faith White, Brandon Boyts, Greg Brunjes; row 2: J. C. Wogomon, Pat McCauley, Glenn Strycker, Dana Campbell, Becky Thompson, Renee Elliott, Matt Heincker, Charley Doss, Tara Niles; row 3: Randy Watts, Ryan Yoder, John Pearson, Jeremy Guy, Matt Linville, Candice Beer, Margaret Baumgartner, Chris Becker, Kristi Brandon, Cliff Schwartz, Latisha Powell; row 4: Ken Lawrance, Bob Phillips, Nick Scribner, Mike Wheat, Kara Price, Evelyn Bosenburg, Robyn Elliott, Dusty Lytle, Paul Dodds, Julie Blakeslee, and Angela Kime. 4. Randy Watts, Matt Linville, and John Pearson play trombones.



KEY CLUB

HELPING HANDS

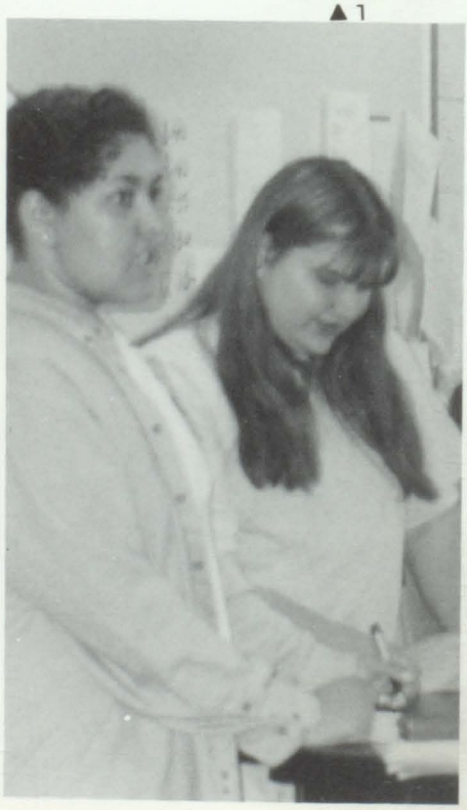
Key Club was the world's largest high school service organization. Key Club tried to help any unanswered needs in the community. It was sponsored around the world by Kiwanis International. Because of this close relationship, the two of them could be found working together on many projects. There was an international convention in Miami during the summer of 1996. Four members, Kristie Brandon, Tami Miller, Jennie Rogers, and Casandra Reed, attended the convention. There they learned the major emphasis worldwide was to fight IDD (Iodine Deficiency Disorder). In cooperation with Kiwanis, Key Clubs around the world raised 2.5 million for the effort of eliminating IDD. Locally the WHS club helped with Penny Pitch, the Syracuse Elementary carnival, Red Cross bloodmobile, gymnastics regional concessions, Market Day and Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Jennie Rogers stated, "I enjoyed Key Club and made many friends through it. "



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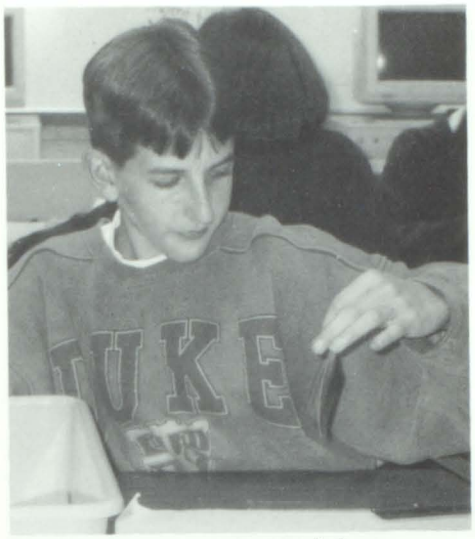
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1. Mrs. Pletcher instructs Key Club during homeroom. 2. Key Club members are row 1: Traci Hughes, Taia Pletcher, Julie Glon, Dustin Lytle, Nicole Reynolds, Kristi Brandon, Maranda McBride; row 2: Ryan Barth, Courtney Knisley, Mandy Thomas, Pat McCauley, Brandy Linville, Faith White, Jennie Rogers, Tami Miller, Amber Reed, Bella Phoun; row 3: Christie Schmidt, Ashley Guy, Chrissy Kuhn, Cassandra Reed, Peggy Curry, Andrew Jones, Amy Weaver, Genny Carney, Anita Doherty, Kim Weaver, Tiffany Combs; row 4: Mrs. Pletcher, sponsor, Amy Holubek, Melissa Sparks, Meg Tsukamoto, Jeremy Reynolds, Andrew Waugh, Bert Kolberg, Sarah Huntsman, Christi Weicht, Stephanie White, Jessica Rassi, Meghann Stewart. 3. Jennie Rogers and Peggy Curry make a presentation to the club. 4. Key Club members have a meeting in the hall.



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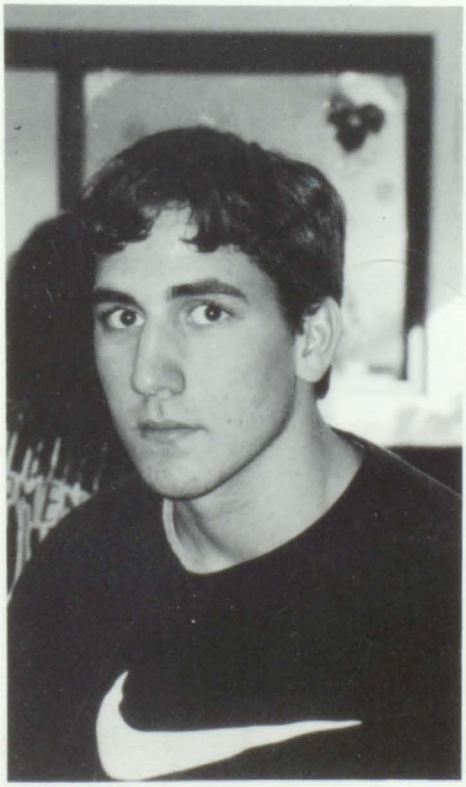




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The yearbook staff was out and about again contacting and visiting local businesses for the ad section of the yearbook first semester. Developing the *Legend* was a hard task, but was accomplished with the help of a 22 member staff. Mr. Johnson's commercial design class conjured up designs for the cover of the yearbook, with Beth Richcreek's being chosen. A field trip was taken by the first semester class to Fort Wayne. Taylor University and Herff Jones hosted a seminar and gave tips on yearbook layouts. There the staff received an award for 15 years of dedication to the company. Second semester was a very busy time for the staff. There were six deadlines due to Herff Jones including the color pages for homecoming and the color senior section.



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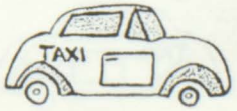


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1. John Heckaman works diligently. 2. Stacey Kraft puts together the senior section. 3. Kristen Sigler and Kassie Biddle patiently wait for the bell to ring. 4. Members of yearbook staff are row 1: John Heckaman, Rob Pinney, Liz Cole, Matt Stump; row 2: Holly Hudson, Amber Thomas, Kristen Sigler, Ryan Botts; row 3: Amy Sloan, Kristi Martin, Nicole Pope, Kassie Biddle; row 4: Stacey Kraft, Beth Farrell, Ora Freeman; row 5: Shiloh Butler, Kara Mathew, Jaclyn Craver. 5. Matt Stump is enthusiastic as always. 6. Nicole Pope works in the pub art computer lab.



Academic success

National Honor Society

68 Inducted

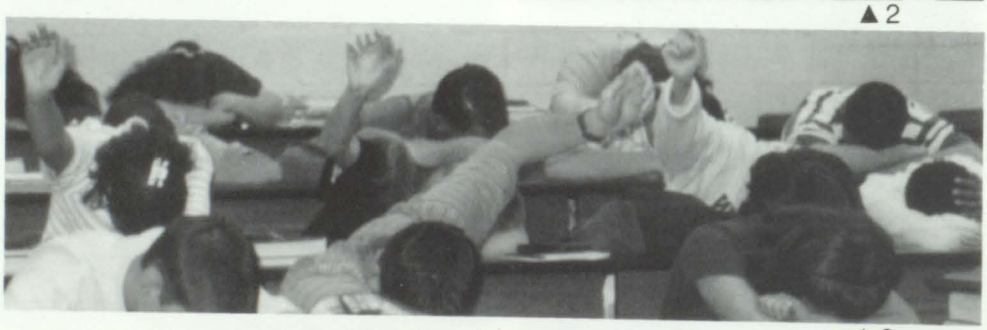
The purpose of National Honor Society was to create an enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in the students of America's schools. The traits for these club members were leadership, service, and character. The main activity that National Honor Society performed was to coordinate the annual Wawasee High School Christmas Penny Pinch. The club also sponsored a clothing drive before spring break. The club's requirements included the student having a 9.5 grade point average and being in good standing with the school corporation. Club members were also required to complete five hours of service time each year. The president of National Honor Society was Kristine Shivers; vice-president, Theresa Lundin; and secretary, Kari Beer. The club inducted 68 junior members in the fall and retained 45 senior members from the previous year. The club sponsor was Mrs. Cherri Martin, this being her first year in that position.



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1. Theresa Lundin, Kristine Shivers, and Kari Beer lead a National Honor Society meeting during homeroom. 2. Tiffany Ley counts pennies for the NHS penny pitch. 3. The junior members vote for next year's officers. 4. Members of National Honor Society are row 1: Karissa Evans, Joe Baumgartner, Stacey Kraft, Elizabeth Dull, Theresa Lundin, Meghann Stewart, Sharada Nethaway, Dina Coverstone, and Rebecca Roose; row 2: Latisha Powell, Stephanie Wong, Rachel Hurd, Jenny Marty, Tracey Gradle, Alicia Holterman, Mary Cockburn, Andrea VanCleave, Kari Beer, Kyle Metcalf, Ryan Carrington, Randy Watts, Rob Schlipf, and Travis Coy; row 3: April Hershberger, Roz Chamberlin, Stephanie Bess, Taia Pletcher, Elizabeth Rehling, Tara Niles, Rachelle Freeman, Rachelle Neff, Kara Mathew, Bre Koher, Carrie Grothaus, Amber Thomas, Cara Belcher, Joni Garber, Kendra Damer, Laura Gunden, Tiffany Miller, and Ryan Speicher; row 4: Rusty VanLue, Peter Wagoner, Russell E. Johnson, Cliff Schwartz, Steven Ummel, J. C. Wogomon, Tiffany Ley, Kassie Biddle, Abby Bultemeier, Mike Wheat, Jody Brown, Jenny Szynal, Carly Beer, Heather Lamb, Variety Adams, Aubrey Coy, Tiffany Combs, and Shane Beer; row 5: Abby Weiss, Mark Leinbach, Matt Grady, Nick Vanlaningham, Brad Andrews, Chris Kozon, Matt Engelberth, Shawn Johnson, John Hursh, Rob Pinney, Ryan Lemon, Jeff Nelson, Andy Jones, Ryan Mikel, Jared Mahnensmith, Brad Brown, Jeff Beer, and Scott Frantz.



PEER TUTORING

HELPING OTHERS

Peer tutoring was a course at Wawasee High School designed for students with a desire to help other students learn. These students enjoyed the opportunity of working with students their age, helping them to improve their grades and their overall study habits. Peer tutoring had a total of seven very devoted students. The peer tutoring students gave up their free period throughout the year in order to help other students improve. Mrs. Miller supervised and coordinated these seven students. This course was recommended for students who might have a desire to enter the educational field later in life. The problems that these students encountered were similar to problems that actual teachers faced in every day situations at high schools throughout America.



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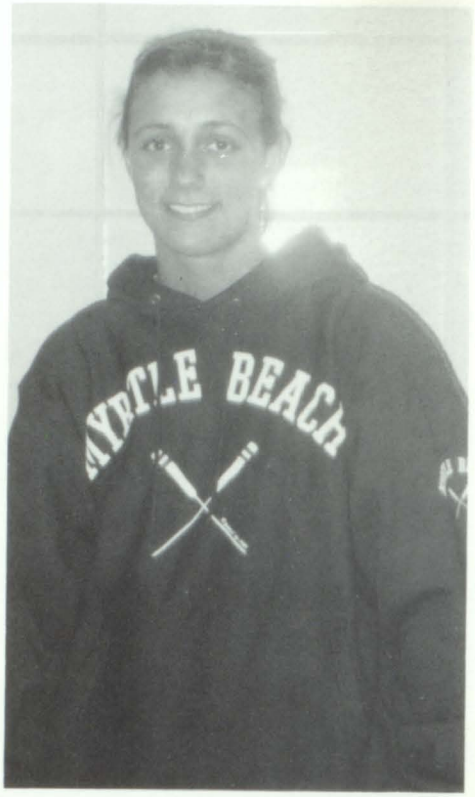
1. Ryan Smith helps a fellow Wawasee student improve his study habits. 2. Chris Kozon helps a student with his geography. 3. The peer tutors are row 1: sponsor Mrs. Miller, Faith White, Kristine Shivers, Drew Raab; row 2: Ruby Ortez, Elizabeth Rehling, Stephanie Bess, Jason Coy. 4. Tami Akers is taking a break for a moment of humor.



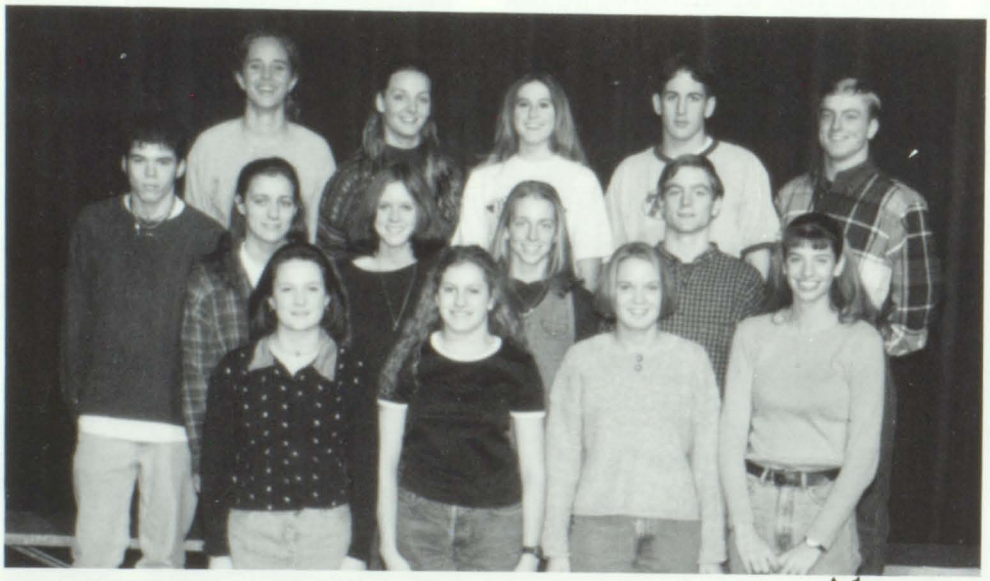
SADD

JUST SAY NO!

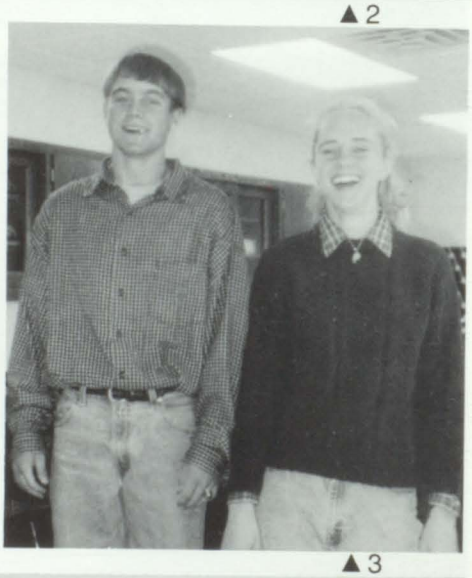
SADD stood for Students Against Drunk Driving and was sponsored by Miss Retter, Mr. Whitaker and Mrs. Holderman. Officers were Rod Holterman, president; Ryan Johnson, vice-president; Rachelle Freeman, secretary/treasurer. SADD members were very busy making an impact on the students. During Red Ribbon week members helped decorate the school as well as give morning announcements reminding students to be drug and alcohol free. They also held a New Year's retreat at the gym to give kids a safe place and an alternative to going to parties where alcohol would be served. SADD members decided against placing the wrecked car in the front of the school during goodbye senior week because of its negative effect.



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1. SADD members are row 1: Cara Belcher, Rachelle Freeman, Alison Morgan and Jenny Workman; row 2: Philip Dowden, Carrie Grothaus, Tracey Gradle, Leigh Anne Gerber, and Ryan Johnson; row 3: Lydia Carpenter, Jamie Conn, Alicia Holterman, Aaron McFarland, and Shawn Johnson. 2. Carrie Grothaus is ready to plan the New Year's party. 3. Ryan Johnson and Lydia Carpenter are on their way to a meeting. 4. Tracey Gradle, Jamie Conn, Jean Allen, Cara Belcher, and Alicia Holterman work on Red Ribbon Week.



SMOKE SIGNALS

GET YOUR PAPER



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The *Smoke Signals* staff made several big improvements. Throughout the year they published eight newspapers and one magazine. The staff also really increased in size and improved greatly on the entertainment page. With more students involved with the newspaper and magazine, a wider variety of opinions were voiced, creating some controversy. In the first semester the staff traveled to Notre Dame for a newspaper seminar. They also entered a contest sponsored by the South Bend/Mishawaka newspaper writers. Including this year, Mr. Robbins had been the sponsor of the newspaper for twenty years.



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1. Tina Dang and Dan Glaser work hard on getting their deadlines finished. 2. *Smoke Signal* staff members are row 1: Angie Montgomery, Tina Dang, Vanessa Shafer; row 2: Mr. Robbins, Dan Glaser, Ora Freeman, Anke Mulder, Jeremy Reynolds, Jane Wamsley, Jaxon Swain, and Krista Richey. 3. Jaxon Swain and John Hursh are deciding what they want to do for the next entertainment page. 4. Jeremy Reynolds considers his next photography assignment.



SPEECH

INCREASING SKILL

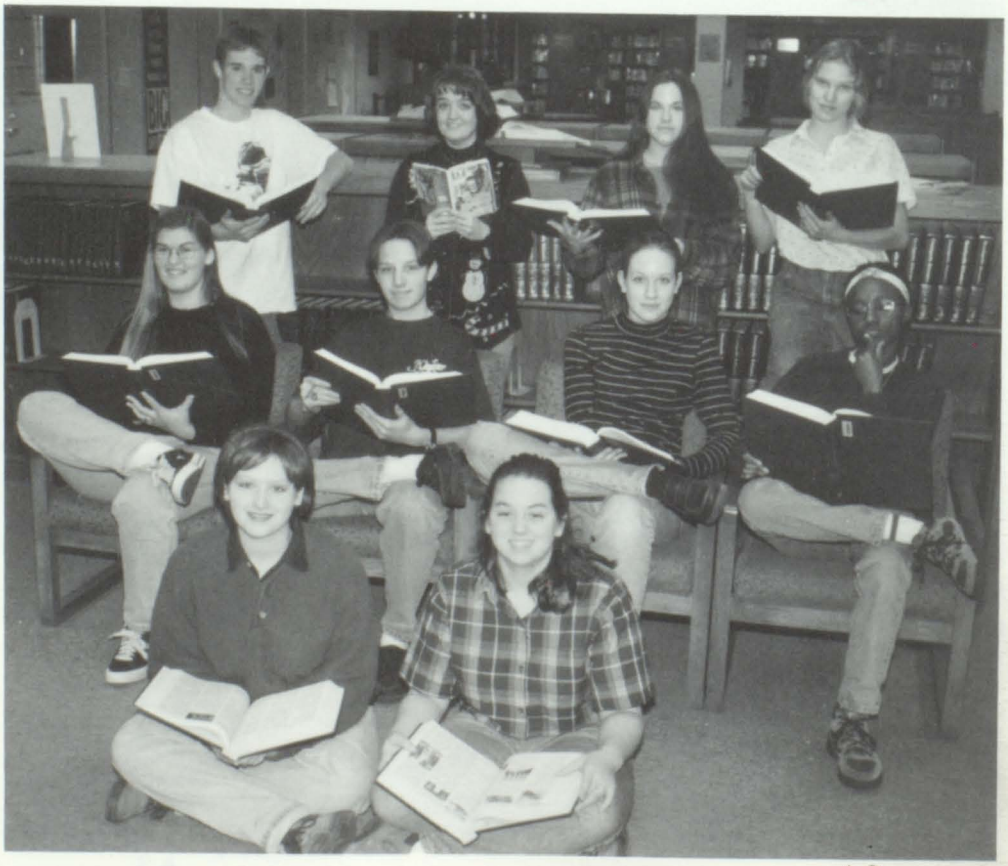
The speech team had a small team and a short season, but it was one filled with good experiences, lots of laughs, and increasing skills. The speech team attended speech tournaments at Fort Wayne Northrup, New Haven, and Columbia City. The tournaments usually had up to twenty schools attending with many entries and events. Some of the events were oratory, prose, poetry, dramatic and humorous interpretation, duo and impromptu speeches. The fund raiser that the team participated in was the candy gram sales in December. This money was used for the entry fees for the tournaments. Speech team members could earn points in competitions which allowed them to be accepted into the National Forensic League. The members of the speech team that were accepted were Rebecca Roose and Cliff Schwartz. The president of the speech team was Rebecca Roose and the vice-president was Cliff Schwartz. The sponsor was Miss Wooldridge.



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1. Rebecca Roose is happy that she is on the speech team. 2. The members of the speech team are row 1: Faith White, Marry Sholty; row 2: Sarah LeCount, Cliff Schwartz, Meghann Stewart, and Sarah Schwartz; row 3: Joe Baumgartner, Miss Wooldridge, Rebecca Roose, and Anke Muldar. 3. Meghann Stewart is ready to present her speech.



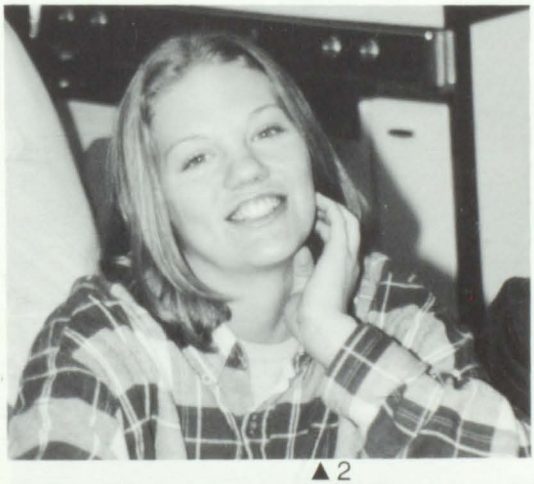
STUDENT COUNCIL

HELPS OUT

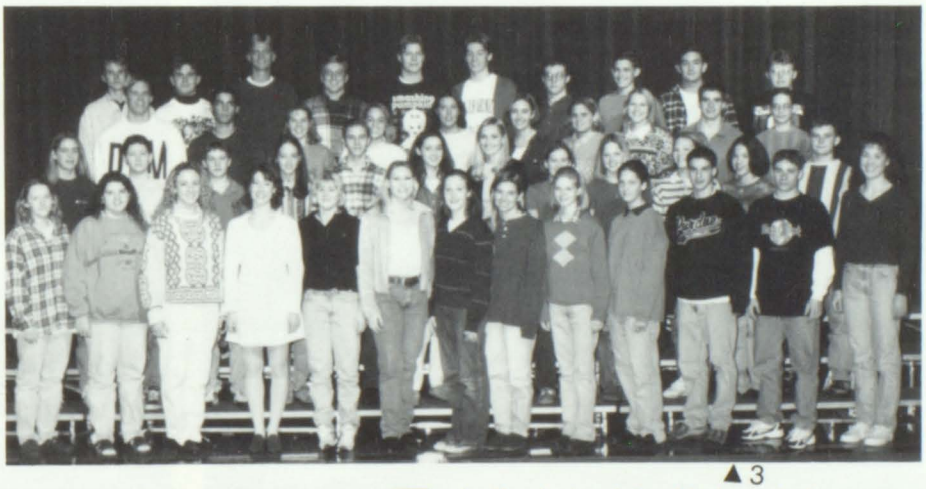


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The student council helped the school out in many ways. During the homecoming festivities the SRC sponsored the parade through the town of Syracuse, the talent show, powder puff, and the fall fling. The SRC also sponsored some very exciting dances. The first dance was after the first football game; the Tropical Christmas dance was after the Warsaw vs. Wawasee basketball game; and the annual Sweetheart Dance was in February. The SRC also had the Christmas spirit this year and decorated the school. To help out the needy during Christmas the SRC had a can drive and sponsored families in the communities by buying them presents. The SRC was also working on special projects: stairwell art work; fountain in the courtyard; and a fund raiser for student families in need. The student body president was Ric Speakman and the vice-president was Shawn Johnson. The sponsors of SRC were Mrs. Leach and Mrs. Thornburg.



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1. Mrs. Leach and Ben Ashpole are having a heavy discussion. 2. Jennifer Mason is happy to be at the SRC meeting. 3. The members of the SRC are row 1: Mandy Perzanowski, Dina Coverstone, Sharada Nethaway, Heather Lamb, Alysha Aalbregtse, Theresa Lundin, Jane Wamsley, Stacey Kraft, Elizabeth Dull, Sandy Drake, Andrew Thornburg, Rustin Mikel, and Michelle Lamb; row 2: Kari Knisley, Ryan Means, Kyle Wurtzel, Lindsay Nagy, Zach Boren, Emily Engelberth, Shanda Bucher, Katie Biddle, Traci Speicher, Jennifer Mason, Brenda Wong, and Skyler Speakman; row 3: Rusty VanLue, Mark Haab, Kari Wortinger, Abby Bultemeier, Kassie Biddle, Sarah Korenstra, Karen Shipley, Laura Lundin, Mike Oswald, and Ryan Yoder; row 4: Jared Mahnensmith, Ric Speakman, Chad Fisher, Shawn Johnson, John Hursh, Dan Cone, Scott Bryan, J.D. Lane, Sam Korenstra, and Aaron Howard. 4. Jared Mahnensmith and Chad Fisher are having an intriguing discussion.



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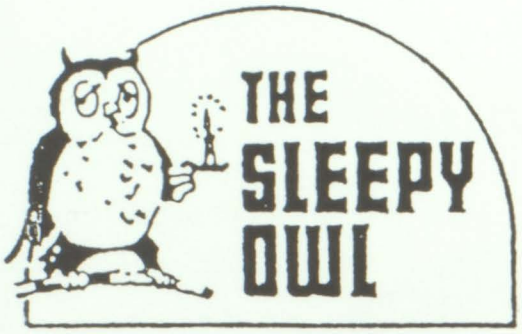
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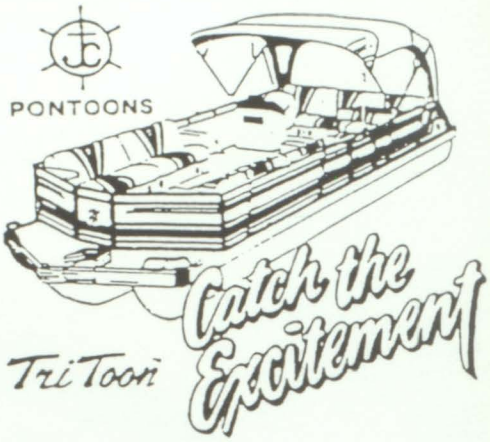


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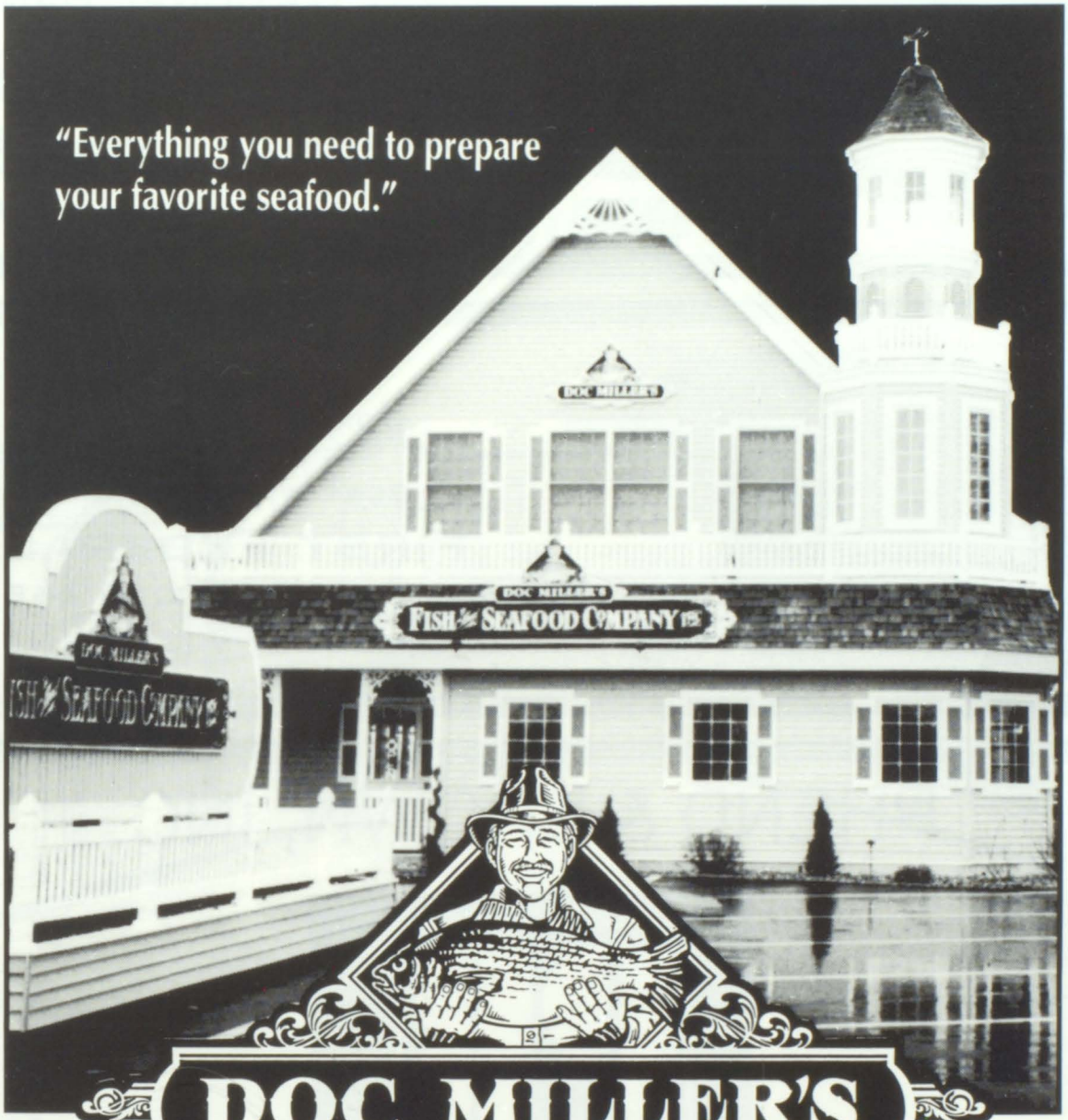
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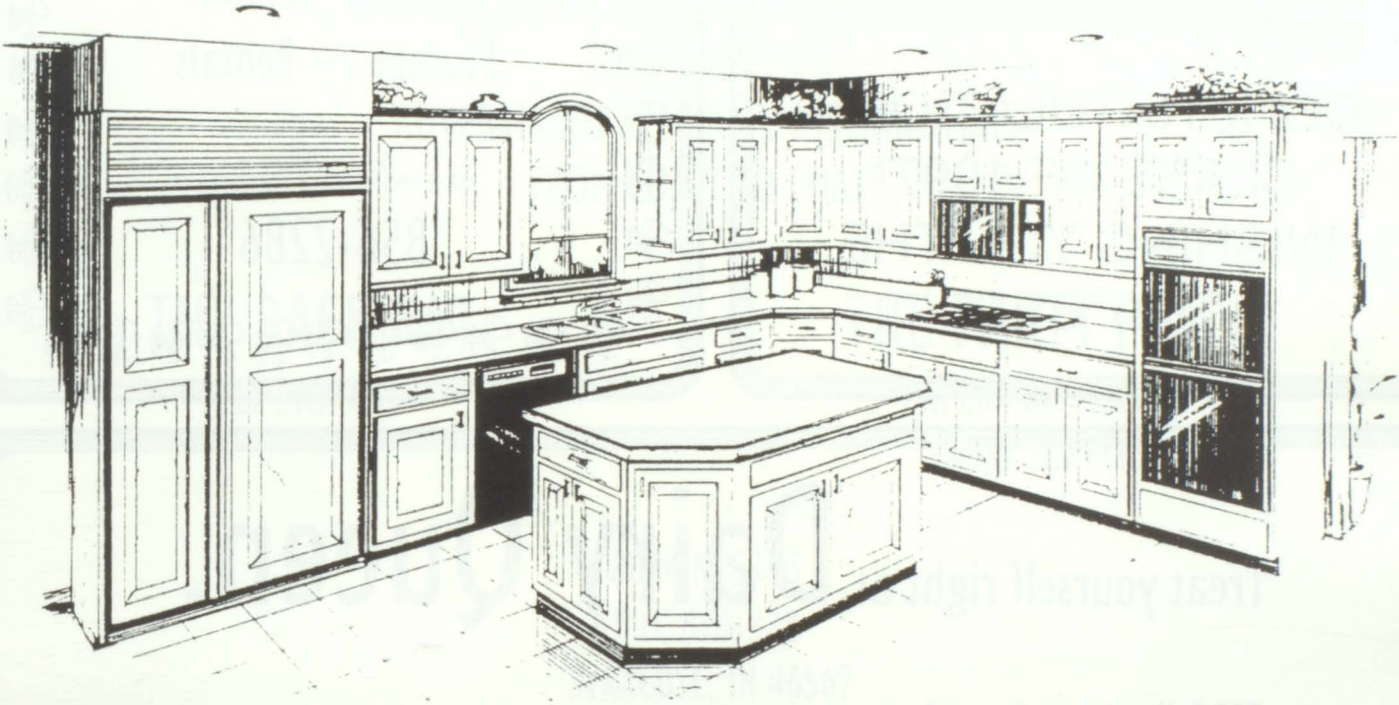
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The yearbook staff consisted of a total of twenty-two members. There were five deadlines that needed to be completed by the end of the year for 212 pages. A special font was used to spice up the yearbook; it was called Humanst521 Cn BT. The yearbook was published by Herff Jones Publishers and was printed in Shawnee Mission, Kansas. The cover was designed by senior Beth Richcreek. Each of the yearbooks costs $28, and an extra $2 for their names on the front of the book was paid by seniors.

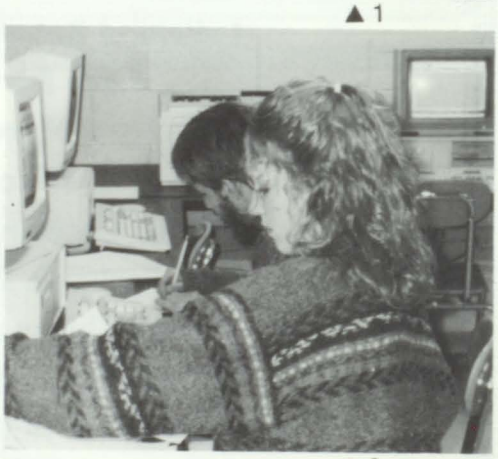
The seniors chose to have color photos this year and had to pay $7 for this. The contract price with Herff Jones was $15,449.51. The school's representative was Julie Taylor from Herff Jones. All of the yearbook staff had five deadlines to meet and a lot of stress to handle. With many new staff members, there were very confusing moments, but through it all the yearbook staff worked well together and accomplished all their goals to give the students a lasting memory.



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1. Ora Freeman gets ready to shoot. 2. Matt Stump and Ryan Botts are catching up on late breaking news. 3. Elizabeth Cole and Rob Pinney are steadily working on their spreads. 4. Kristen Sigler is writing a good body copy. 5. John Heckaman loves to be in yearbook. 6. Holly Hudson is printing out one of her copy blocks. 7. Tierny Prather is double checking her body copy. 8. Rachelle Neff is happy to be a staff member.

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