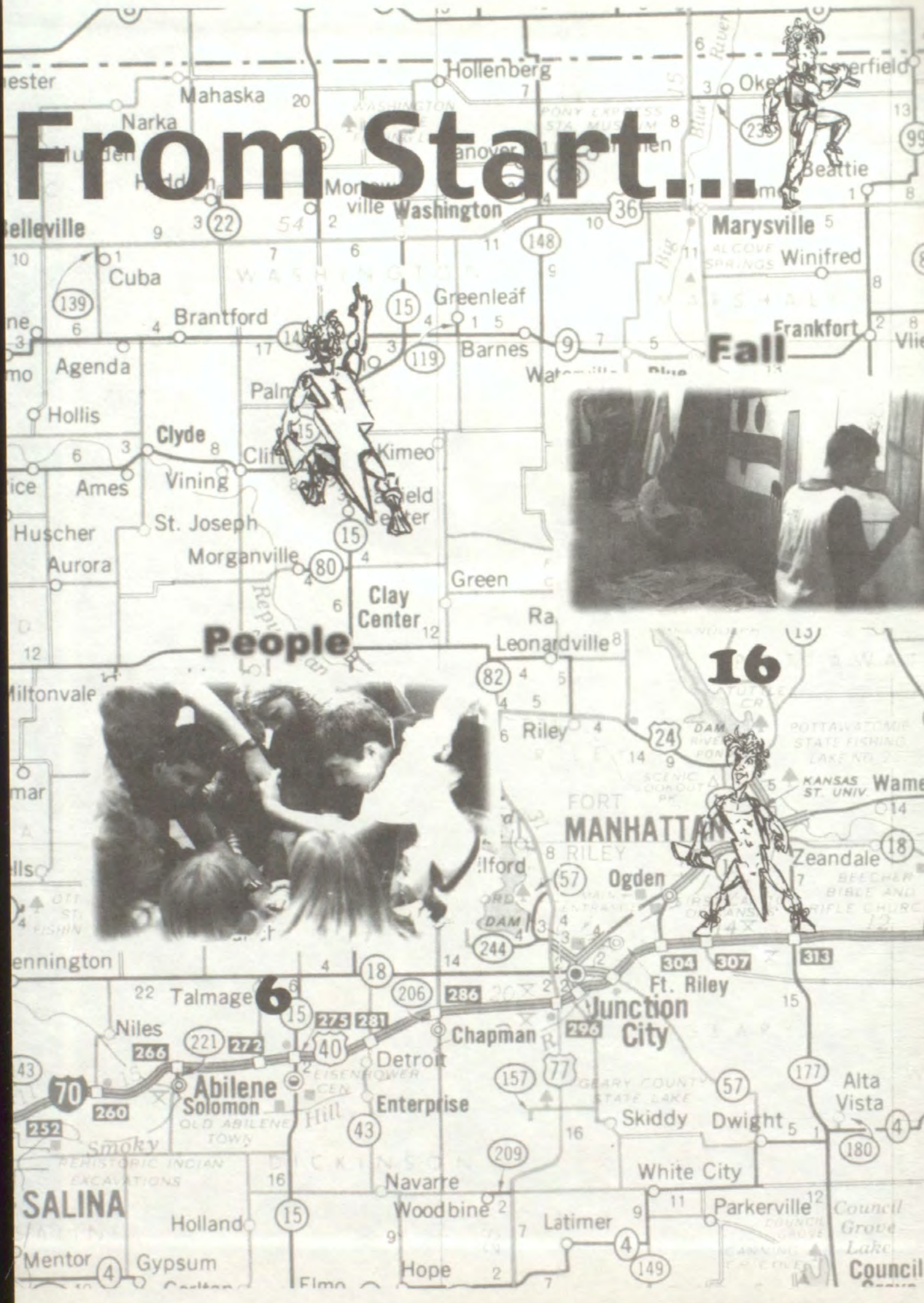




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*From Start to Finish*

# From Start...



Fall



People



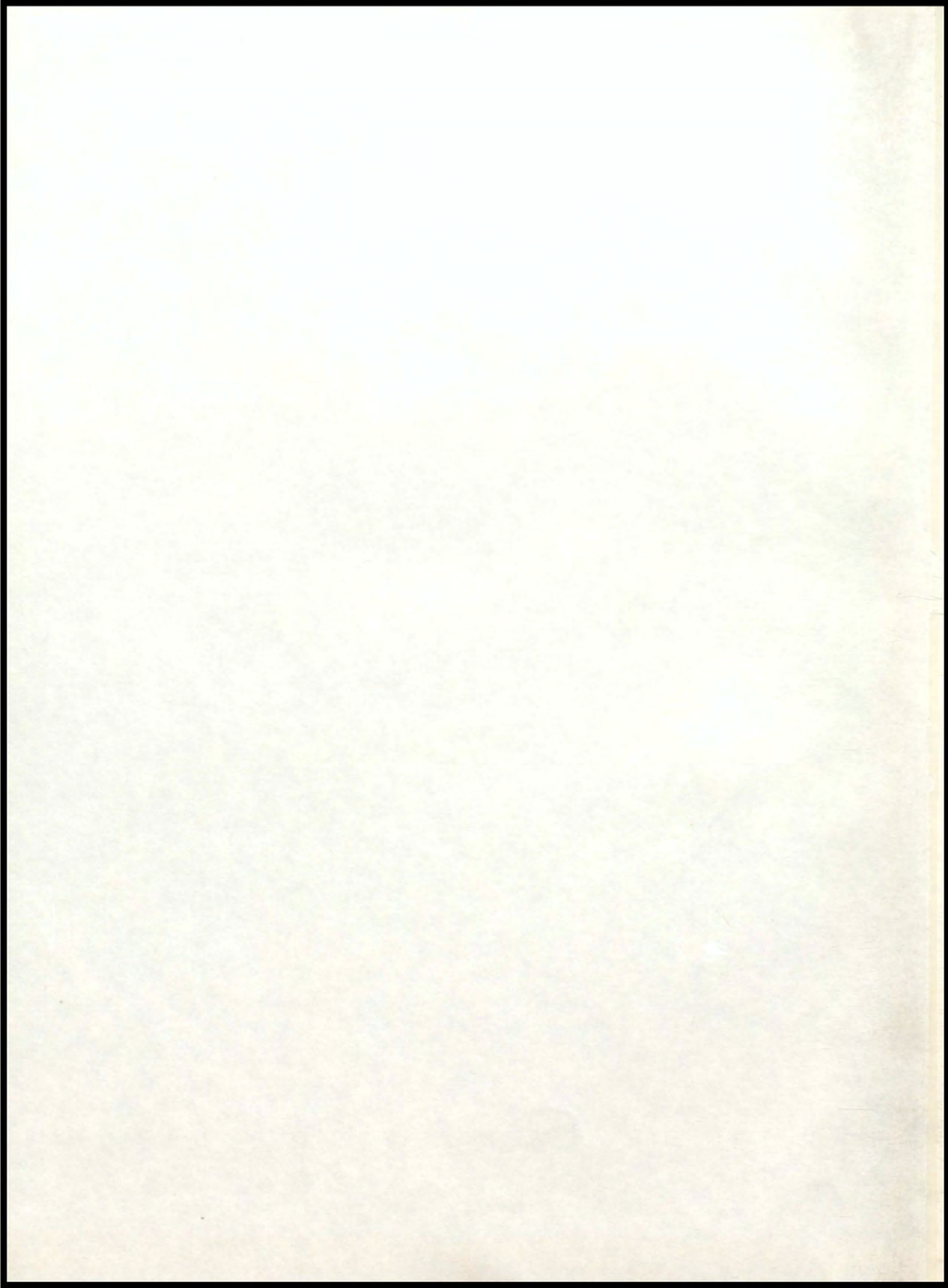
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# *From Start*

1999

*The Bluestreak*

*Highland High School*

*Box 8*

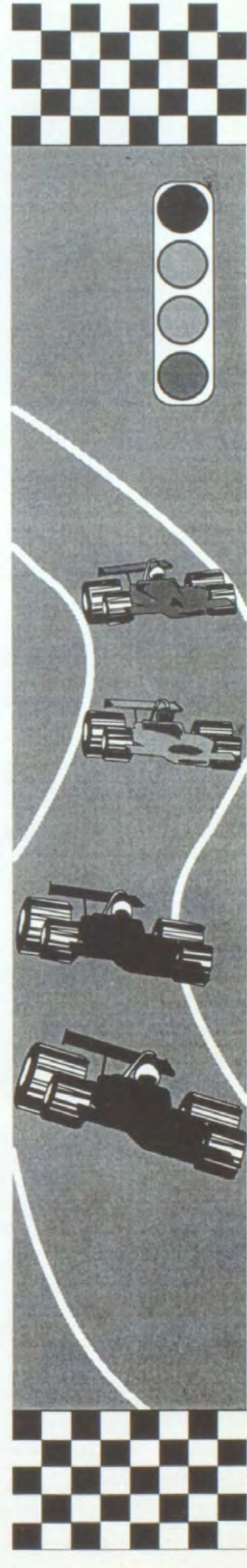
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*Volume 53*

# *To Finish*

*You are about to begin a race through the 1998-1999 school year at Highland High School. You will see the year from start to finish in chronological order. Drivers, start your engines, on your mark...get set...GO!!*



*Ladies and Gentlemen, the annual race to summer is about to start.*

*Every year students come to Highland High and before you know it the year is over. But school just isn't about making it to the finish line, but is also about the four year journey through HHS. Now let's take a look at...*



*Putting on the make-up.*



*Walking in the door at 7:40 a.m.*



*Taking notes in college biology.*



*Lifting weights at track practice.*

**Day in  
the Life  
of a high  
school  
student.**

**the Life  
of a high**



*Working on Senior Showcase portfolio.*



*Leaving the school after track practice.*

*And now on to the rest of the Year...*

**HHS****BOARD****N CHARGE****SCHOOL DISTRICT**

The school board is always concerned with making USD #425 a better place for learning. The school board consists of Dan Tilton, Mike Blevins, Sally Waggoner, Paul Tyler, Dick Tracy, and Bill Batchelder. Not pictured is Nancy Batchelder. Photo by Lynn Windmeyer.



Elementary Principal Conrad Clary looks off of Dan Tilton's agenda as Paul Tyler chuckles to himself about an inside joke. Photo by Lynn Windmeyer.



Principal Cheryl Rasmussen fills the school year calendar with the upcoming monthly events. Photo by Bray's.



Superintendent Jan Collins is in charge of district's business needs and is also president-elect of the United School Administrators. Photo by Bray's.

HHS

FACULTY

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# TCH EM

LEADING THE PACK



**Amy Allen:**

Inter-Related

**Brad Bingesser:**

PE, Girls' Basketball

**Gary Blanton:**

Maintenance

**Sue Cluck:**

Cook



**Ginger Scott, Secretary, is taking one of her 100 plus calls a day. Photo by Bray's.**

**Mary Lou Colley:**

Librarian

**Linda Collins:**

Freshmen Computers

**Francis Collins:**

Cook

**Sharon Collins:**

Cook

**Yvette Cook:**

Vocal Music/Band



**Angie Eberly:**

Inter-Related, Track

**Jill Evans:**

Computers

**Joan Gaither:**

Bus Driver

**Esther Gormley:**

English/QPA

**Dennis Hanlon:**

Maintenance



## THE STAFF'S MOST MEM

When the journalism class realized that the mailing labels for 400 newspapers was gone from the computer.- Mrs. Parish

Watching the entire football team (including Coach Smith) having fun playing in the waterway after a hard rain.- Ron Shelton

Seeing Stacy get crowned Barnwarming Sweetheart. I sprang my arms into the air and yelled out irrationally.- Angie Neibling



**Ted Hutchcraft:**  
Math  
**Linda Joseph:**  
Art  
**Joann Karn:**  
Clerk  
**Kertis Keehn:**  
Science  
**Toni Larson:**  
Spanish



**Sallye Marsh:**  
Cook  
**Gerre Martin:**  
Counselor  
**Joy Meyer:**  
Freshmen English  
**Angie Neibling:**  
Teacher's Aide  
**Marla Olson:**  
Teacher's Aide,  
Basketball, Volleyball



**Donna Parish:**  
English, History  
**Larry Sandy:** Basketball, Cross Country  
**Elmer Schmitz:**  
Agriculture  
**Laura Schmitz:**  
Home Economics  
**Ron Shelton:**  
Football, Basketball,  
Geography



**Justin Smith:**  
Math, Football, Track  
**Janice Stonebarger:**  
Cook  
**Alan Terry:**  
Woods  
**Deb Terry:**  
Inter-Related  
**George Twombly:**  
Bus Driver

## CREDIBLE MOMENTS

Watching Travis, Jerod, Ryan and Josh trying to pull Miranda out of the mud during natural resources.  
-Kertis Keehn

Teaching in-service and showing "The Joy of Stress"-Esther Gormley

On the seniors' last game, with a minute left, they came to the bench and cheered for the other girls on the court.  
-Brad Bingesser



**HHS FRESHMEN MAY '02**

# ROOKIES

JUST GETTING STARTED



*Above: Derek Summerford and Deven Yurth patiently learn the basics of Microsoft. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Left: Callee Simpson, Shannon Davis, and DeAnn McCauley hang out at the Homecoming dance while Ashley Beaman and Lucas Keebler look on. Photo by Matt Reiter.*



*Left: The freshman girls nervously await telling the student body their summer endeavours on the first day of school. Photo by Donna Parish.*

### Class Info

President: Christina Dickerson  
 Vice-President: Callee Simpson  
 Secretary/Treasurer: Crystal Harness  
 Representatives: Deven Yurth and Heather Gildersleeve

## THE CLASS'S MOST MEM

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When Mr. Keehn started skinning a beaver right in the middle of class. It was nasty!

-Shannon Davis

When Angela Henry bumped the emergency eye wash and water spewed everywhere!

-Deven Yurth



Ashley Beaman  
 Shannon Davis  
 Christina Dickerson  
 Heather Gildersleeve  
 Crystal Harness



Angela Henry  
 Lucas Keebler  
 Lucinda Keebler  
 DeAnn McCauley  
 Chris Mooney



Brooks Rawles  
 Bryan Rhodd  
 Callee Simpson  
 Daren Stewart  
 Derek Summerford



Nathan Woodruff  
 Deven Yurth

## MEMORABLE MOMENTS.

When Travis Clary knocked Mr. Smith on his rear during football practice.  
 -Lucas Keebler

When the bus left Lucas at McDonald's after the JV Horton football game!  
 -Brooks Rawles

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MAY

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# GROOVY

SLOWLY BUT SURELY

## Class Officers

President: Ashley Webb

Vice President: Jill Merkel

Secretary: Kristin McCauley

Treasurer: Julianne Blevins

STUCO Representatives: Jana

Collins & Andrew Gilfillan



Sophomores Jennifer Davis and Erinn Groeltz use the Internet in the library to research for their world history project. Photo by Andrea Collins.



## THE CLASS'S MOST MEMORABLE

The most memorable moment of the year was when Chad Simpson shot himself in the face with Easy Cheese on the ski trip.-Ashley Webb

One of the most memorable moments of the year was when Nick Cluck depantsed Andrew Gilfillan after lunch.-Chad Simpson

My favorite class this year has been home-economics because we learn things that we will need for the real world.-Liz Carwell



Julianne Blevins  
Liz Carwell  
Nick Cluck  
Jana Collins  
Samantha Collins



Jennifer Davis  
Aaron Dillman  
Kyle Dillman  
Jon Edie  
Andrew Gilfillan



Erinn Groeltz  
John Jenkins  
Mike Jones  
Amy Keller  
Kristin McCauley  
Alana Mendenhall  
Jill Merkel



Treka Moehle  
Jason Nolte  
Kyle Olson  
Chad Simpson  
Michael Stonebarger  
Aaron Twombly  
Casey Vaught  
Ashley Webb

## MEMORABLE MOMENTS

My favorite class this year has been math because I've gotten the best grade in that class.-  
Jon Edie

I will always remember how Chad Simpson would always take off his shirt in English to show off his big arms.-  
Jason Nolte

My most memorable moment of the year was when Jill Merkel, Juli Blevins, and I took off our skis and slid down the hill on our butts at Snow Creek.-Kristin McCauley

HHS

JUNIORS

MAY '00

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ALMOST THERE



Dustin Geiger, B. J. Twombly and Matt Reiter at a basketball game in order to raise money for Prom which will cost \$2000 to \$2500. Photo by Cate Batchelder.



Juniors show their spirit at the Homecoming pep rally before the football game against the Pleasant Ridge Rams. The Bluestreaks lost that game. Photo by Cathleen Hanlon.



### Class Info

- President- Cate Batchelder
- Vice President- Stacy Neibling
- Secretary- Sandy Peters
- Treasurer- Tessa Reist
- Stuco Reps.- Megan Blevins and Dustin Geiger

## THE CLASS'S MOST MEMORABLE

Megan Blevins- When we had to play at Elwood and several of us not knowing the difference between a girls' bathroom and getting kicked while using the restroom.

B. J. Twombly- The best moment this year was seeing Zach wearing his basketball uniform with his ropers while he was waiting for the JV Midway game to start.

Eric Tracy- The most memorable moment for this year was when Dustin and I got kicked out of the Hiawatha Tournament for having a lazer pointer.



Cate Batchelder  
Megan Blevins  
Becky Cole  
Noah Diveley  
Dustin Geiger



Holly Gray  
Cathleen Hanlon  
Natalie Jeschke  
Luke Keller  
Alex Moore



Stacy Neibling  
Ryan Nolte  
Sandy Peters  
Zach Powell  
Tessa Reist  
Matt Reiter  
Eric Tracy



B. J. Twombly  
Staci Waggoner  
Amanda Williams  
Lynn Windmeyer  
Brandi Woodruff

## MEMORABLE MOMENTS

Zach Powell- My most memorable moment was when Lynn and I kept busy by trying to keep Eric and Dustin awake during American history.

Cathleen Hanlon- My most memorable moment was when I locked my keys in the house and had to call the cops for help. All the cops did was laugh at me.

Matt Reiter- My most memorable moment was when the Quiz Bowl team was returning from State and Mr. Keehn got pulled over by a cop.

By Molly O'Brien

HHS

SENIORS

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# ALL THAT

FINALLY FINISHED



Jerod Dale Blanton



Miranda Katherine Boos



Andrea Dawn Collins



Evan L.W. Dillman



Travis William Clary

President: Andrea Collins  
Class Colors: Navy & Silver

Vice President: Natalie Webb  
Class Flower: White Rose with  
Navy & Silver Ribbons

Treasurer: Nathan Twombly  
Secretary: T.J. Simpson

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Class Motto: "Be not afraid of  
going slowly, be afraid only of  
standing still."



**Kari Kaye Garrett**



**Molly Bea O'Brien**



**Joshua Keith Keebler**



**Frederick K. Green**



**Amanda Lynn Romine**

Holly Vandall  
Representatives: Travis Clary  
Jerod Blanton



**Adam Matthew Lackey**



Tamara Jayne Simpson

**Fond Memories**  
"I remember getting confused on one-way streets in St. Joe. All my 'friends' laughed at me."  
Nathan Twombly



Nathan Neal Twombly



Natalie Ann Webb



Jonathan Leighton Theobald



Lisa Ann Westcott



Holly Renae Vandall

**Fond Memories**  
"My most memorable moment was when Mrs. Gormley gave Travis, Evan, Josh, and Jerod the four-corners treatment for talking to each other." Andrea Collins

# Credits

**Jerod Blanton**-Vocational Pin 12, Class Officer 9, 11, Football 9-12, Basketball 9-12, Basketball Captain 12, Honorable Mention All-State Basketball 12, All-Tournament DVL Basketball 12, 1st All-County Basketball 12, FFA 9-12, FFA Greenhand Degree 9, Choir 9, 11-12, Choir Representative 12, Homecoming Candidate 12, King of Courts 12, Musical 9, 11-12, STUCO 9, 11-12

**Miranda Boos**-Sportsmanship Award 12, Basketball 9, 11-12, Basketball Captain 12, Volleyball 9-10, 12, Track 11, FFA 9, Choir 9, 11-12, Musical 9, 11-12

**Travis Clary**-Salutatorian 12, Honor Cord 12, Armed Services Scholar Athlete 12, STUCO 9-12, Class Representative 10, Class Treasurer 11, NHS 10-12, NHS STUCO Representative 12, Football 9-12, Football Captain 12, Honorable Mention All-State Linebacker Topeka Capital Journal 12, Honorable Mention All-State Linebacker Kansas Sport Magazine 12, Honorable Mention All-DVL Fullback 12, Basketball 9-12, 1st Team All-DVL Basketball 12, 1st Team All-County Basketball 12, Honorable Mention All-State Basketball Topeka Capital Journal 12, Honorable Mention All-State Basketball Wichita Eagle Beacon 12, Northeast Kansas All-Star Basketball 12, FFA 9-12, FFA Greenhand Degree 9, FFA Chapter Degree 10, Choir 11-12, Swing Choir 11-12, Swing Choir I Rating Regionals and State 11, Homecoming Candidate 12, SOS 9-12

**Andrea Collins**-Valedictorian 12, Honor Cord 12, Best Actress 12, Fall Music Leadership Award 12, Outstanding Vocalist 12, Regents Recommended Curriculum Completer 12, All Around Student 11-12, Presidential Academic Fitness Award 12, Kansas Basketball Coaches Association Academic Award 12, Class President 9, 11-12, Journalism 12, 3rd Place Headline Writing 12, 3rd Place Newswriting 12, Basketball 9-12, All-League Basketball 10-12, All-County Basketball 10-12, Honorable Mention All-State Basketball 10-12, Northeast Kansas All-Star Game 12, Volleyball 9-12, All-League Volleyball 11-12, All-County Volleyball 11-12, Track 9-12, FFA 9-12, FFA Sweetheart 11, Choir 9-12, Swing Choir 9-12, Swing Choir Group Ensemble I Rating State 10-11, Swing Choir Girls Ensemble I Rating State 10-11, Band 10, Clarinet Solo I Rating DVL, Regionals, and State 10, Musical 9-12, NHS 10-12, NHS President 11, NHS Vice-President 12, Homecoming Candidate 12, Queen of Courts 12, Cheerleading 9-11, SOS 9-12, STUCO 9-12, STUCO Treasurer 10, STUCO Vice-President 11, STUCO President 12, Quiz Bowl 9-12, Quiz Bowl Captain 12, NBA Sportsmanship Award 10, Hiawatha Halloween Parade Queen 12, Wendy's High School Heisman State Winner 12

**Evan Dillman**-Journalism 11-12, Eligible for State Newspaper Sports Writing 11, Journalism Business Manager 12, Football 11-12, Basketball 9-12, Basketball Captain 12, Track 9-10, FFA 12, 1st at Regional Entomology Contest 12, Cross Country 9-10, Choir 9-12, Musical 9-12, NHS 10, King and Queen of Courts Attendant 12, Community Service Award 10

**Kari Garrett**-Class Secretary 9, Basketball 9-10, Volleyball 9-11, FFA 12, Choir 9-12, Musical 9-12, 1st Place Art Awards 9-10

**Fred Green**-Football 9-12, Football Co-Captain 12, Football Letter 10-12, 2nd-Team DVL All-League D-Tackle 11, 1st Team DVL All-League D-Tackle 12, Basketball Manager 11-12, King and Queen of Courts Attendant 12, Musical 11-12

**Josh Keebler**-Vocational Pin 12, Class President 10, Football 9-12, Football Letter 9-12, All-League Football 11-12, Honorable Mention

All-State Football 12, Basketball 9-11, Basketball Letter 11, FFA 9-12, FFA Star Greenhand 10, FFA Chapter Sentinel 10, FFA Chapter Secretary 11, FFA Chapter Vice-President 12, FFA Chapter Degree 11, FFA State Degree 12, FFA District Wildlife Management Proficiency Award 12, Homecoming King 12, Youth Conservationist of the Year Award 12

**Adam Lackey**-Honor Cord 12, Regents Recommended Curriculum Completer 12, Perfect Attendance 12, Football 9-12, Football Co-Captain 12, Basketball 9-12, Track 9-12, Choir 9-12, Swing Choir 9-12, Swing Choir Mixed Ensemble I Rating Regionals 9, Swing Choir Mixed Ensemble I Rating State 10-11, Swing Choir Vocal Solo I Rating DVL 11, Art Awards 12

**Molly O'Brien**-Honor Cord 12, Regents Recommended Curriculum Completer 12, Presidential Academic Fitness Award 12, Journalism 11-12, Newspaper Editor 12, Choir 9-10, Musical 10, STUCO 12, Quizbowl 10-12, Girls Basketball Manager 12

**Amanda Romine**-Volleyball 9-12, FFA 9-12, Choir 12, Musical 12  
**Tamara Jayne Simpson**-Honor Cord 12, Regents Recommended Curriculum Completer 12, Citizenship Award 12, Armed Services Scholar Athlete 12, Class Treasurer 9, Class Secretary 10-12, Journalism 11-12, Top Ten in Yearbook Sports Writing 11, 3rd in Yearbook Sports Writing 12, Honorable Mention in Theme Development 12, Basketball 9-12, Basketball Captain 12, Volleyball 9-12, Volleyball Team Captain 12, Volleyball All-County Team 12, Track 9-12, Track Captain 12, FFA 9-12, Greenhand Degree 9, FFA Chapter Degree 10, FFA Chapter Reporter 10-11, FFA Chapter President 12, Choir 9, Musical 9, NHS 10-12, NHS Treasurer 12, Homecoming Attendant 12, King and Queen of Courts Attendant 12, Cheerleading 9-12, SOS 9-12, STUCO 11-12, STUCO Secretary 12, I Dare You Award 11

**Nathan Twombly**-Honor Cord 12, Regents Recommended Curriculum Completer 12, Presidential Academic Fitness Award 12, Citizenship Award 12, Marine Corp Scholastic Excellence Award 12, Journalism 11-12, Yearbook Editor 12, Class Treasurer 12, Track 9-11, Choir 9-12, Musical 9-12, NHS 10-12, First Place Art Awards 9-10, Quiz Bowl 9-12

**Holly Vandall**-Exemplary Community Service Award 12, Class Representative 11, Journalism 11, Basketball 10-11, Volleyball 9-12, FFA 9-12, Choir 9-12, Musical 9-12, 1st Place Art Awards 9-10, STUCO 11

**Jonathan Theobald**-Class Vice-President 9, Basketball 9-12, FFA 9, Cross Country 9-10, Track 9, Choir 9-12, Band 9-12, Musical 9-12, Musical Supporting Lead 12, Band STUCO Representative 11

**Natalie Webb**-Valedictorian 12, Honor Cord 12, Regents Recommended Curriculum Completer 12, Dale Dennis Excellence in Education Award 12, Marine Corp Distinguished Athlete 12, Presidential Academic Fitness Award 12, Perfect Attendance 12, Class Treasurer 9, Class Vice-President 11-12, Journalism 11-12, Eligible for State Editing 11, Yearbook Editor 12, Basketball 9-11, Volleyball 9-12, Volleyball Co-Captain 12, Track 9-12, Track Co-Captain 12, FFA 9-11, Cross Country 12, State Cross Country Team 12, Choir 9-12, Swing Choir 9-12, Swing Choir Group Ensemble I rating State 10-11, Swing Choir Girls Ensemble I rating State 10-11, Musical 9-12, NHS 10-12, NHS President 12, Homecoming Queen 12, Cheerleading 9-12, Cheerleading Co-Captain 11-12, SOS 9-12, STUCO 10, 12, STUCO Treasurer 12

**Lisa Westcott**-Extra-Ordinary Effort Award 12, FFA 9-12

# Midwest Scenery

Art

The art classes have been working on many different projects with their teacher Linda Joseph.

Each student had to pick an artist and do two projects related to that artist. Some of their choices are as follows.

Bryan Rhodd, freshman, picked the artist Claes Oldenburg. Rhodd's two projects were a clay stack of pennies and a drawing of a dollar bill. Becky Cole, junior picked the artist Chuck Close. Cole's two projects were a clay mold of her face and a drawing of Jan Collins, superintendent. Jon Edie, sophomore, picked the artist Frank Lloyd Wright. Edie's two projects were a prairie style clay cottage and a stained glass window made with tissue paper.

John Jenkins, sophomore, picked the artist Henry Moore. Jenkins's two projects were a reclining figure made with zonealight of Jerod

Blanton, senior, and a 2D drawing of several reclining figures.

Adam Lackey, senior, with a pen and ink drawing, won a medal at DVL, got artistic excellence at HCC Art Day, and honorable mention at Albrecht Kemper.

Jason Nolte, sophomore, with a metal sculpture, won a medal at DVL and received honorable mention at HCC Art Day.

Edie received a blue ribbon and B.J. Twombly, junior, received a red ribbon at DVL.

Cole received honorable mention on her clay project at HCC Art Day.

At the Federated Women's Club Contest, Rhodd, Lackey, Matt Reiter, junior, and Mike Jones, sophomore, received blue ribbons. Nathan Woodruff, freshman, Crystal Harness, freshman, Chad Simpson, sophomore, Shannon Davis, freshman, Lucas Keebler, freshman, Jon Edie, B.J. Twombly, and Aaron Twombly, sophomore, received red ribbons.



*Linda Joseph, art teacher, and Becky Cole work on Becky's plaster mold of her face. Cole received an Honorable Mention at Highland Community College Art Day for her mold. Photo by Cathleen Hanlon.*



*Bryan Rhodd works on his drawing of the dollar bill picturing Jan Collins in the center. Photo by Cathleen Hanlon.*



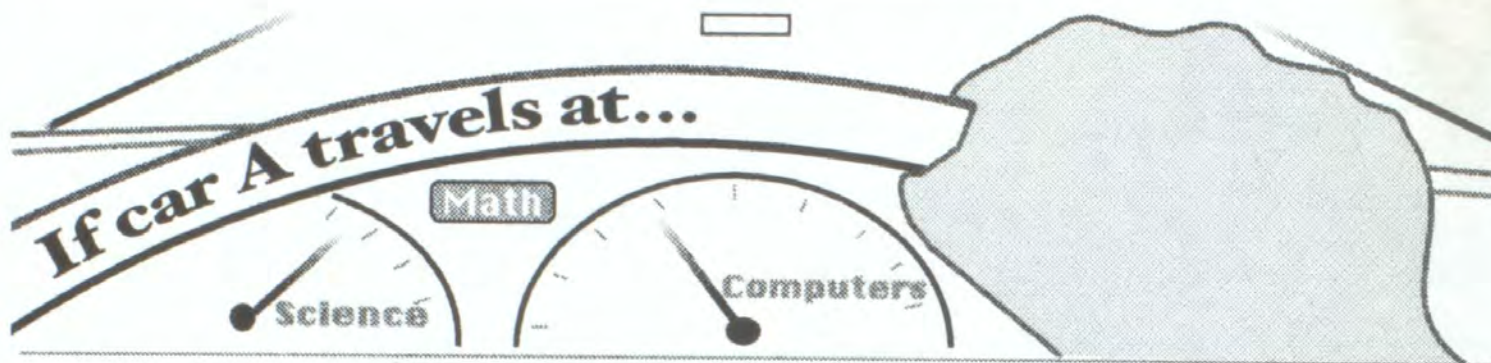
*John Jenkins works on his reclining figure of Jerod Blanton. Jon Edie works on his prairie style clay cottage. Photo by Cathleen Hanlon.*



*Mike Jones, Ashley Webb, and Kyle Dillman work on the flats for the musical Cinderella. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Kyle Dillman and Andrew Gilfillan stir up paint to paint the flats for the musical Cinderella. Photo by Donna Parish.*



"The year went pretty smooth for the most part, but there have been rough times. Getting used to the block schedule was tough," said Kertis Keehn, about his first year teaching at HHS. Keehn also taught at Newtown-Harris, Missouri, for five years.

In general science the freshmen learned about light and its characteristics. "Mr. Keehn makes learning fun because we don't work out of the book as much as other classes. We do more hands-on activities," said Bryan Rhodd, freshmen.

The students in biology learned about genetics and dissection. "It's fun because Mr. Keehn has good spirit, and he's a good teacher," said Liz Carwell, sophomore. The chemistry class learned about electron configuration, partical wave, and electron wave.

Amanda Willaims, junior said, "Chemistry is a very complicated class, and Mr. Keehn did a very good job of teaching."

Jill Evans taught sophomore computers, where students learned about Desktop Publishing, Telecommunications, and Powerpoint presentations.

Computer Productions was busy putting newsletters together and making programs. Evans also teaches seventh and eighth grade keyboarding.

Justin Smith was the new math teacher, who said, "It went fine. The year went quick. There were no major problems," about his first year teaching. Smith previously taught at Clifton Clyde and Washburn Rural. Smith teaches Algebra I, Algebra II, applied math, geometry, calculus, and physics.



*Ryan Nolte and Megan Blevins help third grader Jennifer Larson dissect owl pellets in natural resources. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*The freshmen class relaxes while waiting for instructions from Linda Collins. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Jerod Blanton and Travis Clary meticulously pick apart the regurgitated remains of a mouse in natural resources. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*Justin Smith, math teacher, helps Natalie Webb with her calculus homework. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Crystal Harness works out of the Microsoft Office book during freshmen computers. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Linda Collins, freshmen computer teacher, plans next week's lesson. Photo by Donna Parish.*

# Volleyball

## *DVL champs two years in a row*

### Box Scores

| Opponent             | Wins      | Losses       |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| Atchison             | 4         | 0            |
| B&B                  | 1         | 4            |
| Centralia            | 0         | 2            |
| Hiawatha             | 2         | 1            |
| Horton               | 2         | 0            |
| Jackson Heights      | 6         | 2            |
| JCN                  | 4         | 0            |
| KC Maranatha         | 2         | 0            |
| Lansing              | 1         | 2            |
| McLouth              | 4         | 0            |
| Midway               | 6         | 1            |
| Oskaloosa            | 4         | 2            |
| Pleasant Ridge       | 4         | 0            |
| Savannah             | 2         | 0            |
| Troy                 | 6         | 0            |
| Valley Falls         | 4         | 0            |
| Wathena              | 3         | 4            |
| West Platte          | 2         | 0            |
| <b>Season Record</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>and 6</b> |

### Awards

#### All League

Cate Batchelder  
Andrea Collins  
Jana Collins

#### All County

Cate Batchelder  
Andrea Collins  
Jana Collins  
T. J. Simpson  
Natalie Webb

The volleyball team kept up their reputation as being very tough competitors. The girls were coached by Cheryl Rasmussen and Angie Eberly, both experienced in coaching. Rasmussen, head coach, had high expectations for the year. She was pleased with the work the girls put out. The strenuous efforts put out this season paid off in the end as the team was selected Delaware Valley League Champions for the second year in a row. Everyone was pleased to see the girls come out of the season with this award.

Throughout the season the girls went through a hard workout during practice that built on talent as well as character. "We had awesome teamwork since we all got along so well," said Andrea Collins.

Although the girls did not do as well in the regional tournament as they hoped, they all learned valuable lessons to improve their game. They came out of the tournament receiving third place.

The girls were overall pleased with their season. They all had fun and learned to work as a team.



Front Row: Holly Vandall, Andrea Collins, Miranda Boos, T.J. Simpson, Natalie Webb, Amanda Romine; Middle Row: Julianne Blevins, Ashley Beaman, Angela Henry, DeAnn McCauley, Jana Collins, Megan Blevins, Christina Dickerson; Back Row: Angie Eberly, assistant coach; Natalie Jeschke, manager; Heather Gildersleeve, Samantha Collins, Cate Batchelder, Jill Merkel, Kristin McCauley, Ashley Webb, Cheryl Rasmussen, head coach; Lucinda Keebler, manager. Photo by Bray's.



*Natalie Webb, the always reliable setter, sets up one of her teammates at the DVL tournament.*



*Jana Collins, Cate Batchelder, and T.J. Simpson listen intently to Coach Rasmussen.*



*Andrea Collins and Jill Merkel team up for a block against Midway.*



*Jana Collins and T.J. Simpson attempt a block against Lansing while Natalie Webb prepares herself for the return.*

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*All photos by Esther Gormley.*

*By Zach Powell*



# Football

## *Roughin' it up*

Football struggled this year, as they tackled many competitive opponents. Despite a 2-6 record, they gave strong effort, from start to finish.

The team dashed off to a 1-0 start with a season opening victory against Horton. Halfway through the season, the Streaks posted a 2-2 record, including a 14-0 win against Valley Falls. The straightaway was rough and rocky, but the Streaks finished with flying colors and positive attitudes.

Jerod Blanton, senior, said, "We had a fun and high-spirited season, and if given the chance, I'd do it again."

Blanton, Travis Clary, Adam Lackey, Fred Green, Josh Keebler, and Evan Dillman, all seniors, led the team, along with coaches Ron Shelton and Justin Smith.

Statistic leaders are as follows: receiving: Clary (16 for 478 yds), Lackey (7 for 96 yds); rushing: Lackey (84 for 640 yds), Clary (98 for 883 yds); passing: Dustin Geiger (25 for 540 yds), Chad Simpson (11 for 187 yds).

Travis Clary, said, "As a captain, I'd like to send out thanks to our team for all the good memories."

### Box Scores

| Us | Opponent       | Them |
|----|----------------|------|
| 12 | Horton         | 6    |
| 6  | Oskaloosa      | 20   |
| 14 | McLouth        | 42   |
| 14 | Valley Falls   | 0    |
| 0  | Pleasant Ridge | 27   |
| 0  | JCN            | 41   |
| 7  | Troy           | 30   |
| 8  | Wathena        | 18   |

### Awards

#### All League

##### 1st Team

Fred Green

##### 2nd Team

Eric Tracy

Josh Keebler

##### Hon. Mention

Travis Clary

#### All State

##### Hon. Mention

Josh Keebler

Travis Clary



Front Row: Kari Garrett, manager, Fred Green, Evan Dillman, Jerod Blanton, Josh Keebler, Travis Clary, Adam Lackey, Amy Keller, manager; Second Row: Andrew Gilfillan, Deven Yurth, Lucas Keebler, Nick Cluck, Mike Jones, Aaron Dillman, Derek Summerford, Chris Mooney, Jason Nolte, Chad Simpson; Back Row: Justin Smith, assistant coach, Matt Reiter, B.J. Twombly, Ryan Nolte, Eric Tracy, Michael Stonebarger, Zach Powell, Dustin Geiger, Daren Stewart, Alex Moore, Brandi Woodruff, manager, Kyle Olson, manager, Ron Shelton, head coach



Travis Clary (1) and Daren Stewart (32) take out Trojan blockers while Eric Tracy (75) and Josh Keebler fight through the line. Clary and Keebler led the team in tackles for the year. Photo by Natalie Webb.



Jason Nolte (22), Eric Tracy (75), and Dustin Geiger (bottom of pile) take down a Horton ball carrier as other teammates come to help. Photo by Natalie Webb.



Josh Keebler (66) and Adam Lackey (27) plow through the offensive line as they prepare to tackle a Pleasant Ridge running back. Photo by Cate Batchelder.

Adam Lackey (27) runs the ball at a Horton defender as Dustin Geiger (12) and Aaron Dillman (30) watch with anticipation. Photo by Nataile Webb.



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# Homecoming

## Keebler, Webb voted Majesty of '98



*Crowned Royalty Natalie Webb and Josh Keebler are King and Queen, respectively, of the Highland vs. Pleasant Ridge football game on Oct. 2, 1998. Photo by Bray's.*

Josh Keebler and Natalie Webb captured the light of a dismal, wet Friday night football game by being crowned 1998 Homecoming King and Queen.

Other candidates up for the crowning, Andrea Collins, Jerod Blanton, T.J. Simpson, and Travis Clary, all dressed in traditional gear. The boys were in muddy football uniforms, and the girls were decked out in their formal evening get-ups; pantsuits were popular this year.

To get pumped up for the game vs. the Pleasant Ridge Rams on Oct. 2, Spirit Week days were as follows: Beauty and the Beast, Famous Couples or Groups, Just get out of Bed, and Backwards/Inside-out/Clash Day.

A bonfire and the juniors' winning Homecoming parade float's theme, "Jam the Rams," proved to be unsuccessful as the Bluestreaks lost.

Natalie Webb said, "I was really surprised and honored that everyone chose me as Queen."

*Although receiving consolation gifts, Jerod Blanton and Andrea Collins show good Highland sportsmanship. Photo by Molly O'Brien.*



*Andrea Collins and Jerod Blanton are attendents of Homecoming.  
Photo by Bray's.*



*Even though the Queen was not announced yet, Natalie Webb somehow had a suspicion of her future as she sports her tiara for Beauty and the Beast Day of Spirit Week. Photo by Esther Gormley.*



*Raggedy Ann and Andy-- formerly Adam Lackey and Nick Cluck-- show their school spirit for Pair Day.  
Photo by Andrea Collins.*



*Attendants T.J. Simpson and Travis Clary are up for Homecoming.  
Photo by Bray's.*



# Journalism/Stuco

## Students involved in making improvements for school life

The journalism class kept busy this year with putting out the school newspaper and yearbook. The class was instructed by Donna Parish, now in her 17th year of teaching journalism.

Students placed in 13 contests at Regionals. Cate Batchelder, junior, received first in Newspaper Design. Matt Reiter, junior, placed second in Editing. Lynn Windmeyer, junior, placed third in Newspaper Photography. Andrea Collin, senior, placed third in News-writing and third in Headline Writing. Amanda Williams, junior, received honorable mention in Headline Writing. T.J. Simpson and Nathan Twombly, seniors, worked together in Yearbook Theme Development and received honorable mention. Simpson also received third in Yearbook Sportswriting. Aaron Twombly, sopho-

more finished third in Infographics. Dustin Geiger, junior, received honorable mention in Newspaper Sportswriting. Stacy Neibling, junior, received honorable mention in Advertising. Staci Waggoner, junior, took honorable mention in Yearbook Copy Writing.

Stuco stayed very busy this year. The most important issue involved preparing dances for the students. The biggest part of Stuco involved a successful fight for the salad bar.

Stuco is an organization to help the students get what they want. From filling the pop machines to preparing for a dance, Stuco helps the students find the fun part of learning. The students have found that if they have a problem, they can express their feelings to the Stuco representative in their class.

Throughout the school year, the students in Stuco have learned how to deal with people and their many, many problems.



*Nathan Twombly, T.J. Simpson, and Natalie Webb, yearbook editors, listen to Andrea Collins and Evan Dillman talk about their ideas. Photo by Cate Batchelder.*



*Sandy Peters works on placing senior pictures for the yearbook. Photo by Cate Batchelder.*



*The journalism students are Front Row: Molly O'Brien, Natalie Webb, Sandy Peters, Staci Waggoner; Middle Row: Lynn Windmeyer, Brandi Woodruff, Andrea Collins, Stacy Neibling, Cate Batchelder, Amanda Williams; Back Row: Matt Reiter, Zach Powell, Evan Dillman, T.J. Simpson, Nathan Twombly, Dustin Geiger. Photo by Brays.*



*Several students take part in the first day of school activities planned by Stuco. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*The Stuco representatives are Front Row: Jill Evans, sponsor, Noah Diveley, Adam Lackey, Ashley Webb, Molly O'Brien, Tessa Reist, Christina Dickerson; Middle Row: Andrew Gilfillan, Deven Yurth, Andrea Collins, T.J. Simpson, Natalie Webb, Heather Gildersleeve; Back Row: Chad Simpson, Dustin Geiger, Travis Clary, Jerod Blanton, Megan Blevins, Jana Collins, Cate Batchelder. Photo by Brays.*



# Cross Country

The Cross Country team has had a very successful season this year. The team won many awards, and the girls went to State. With this being coach Larry Sandy's first year to coach Highland Cross Country, he said, "The season went better than expected. I was pleasantly surprised."

Along with getting a first place trophy at the McClouth meet, the girls placed third at Regionals, which allowed them to go to State. With over one hundred girls running, Tessa Reist placed seventeenth and received a medal. Overall, the girls placed tenth.

Reist, Lynn Windmeyer, and Callee Simpson placed first team at County. Reist placed first league, and Simpson and Windmeyer placed second league. For the boys, Noah Diveley got first place at County and first team All County.

"Overall, I think we had a good season. Everyone worked hard, and it paid off because we went to State," said Erinn Groeltz.



*Callee Simpson, Kyle Olson, Lynn Windmeyer, Tessa Reist, Noah Diveley, Erinn Groeltz, and Amy Keller smile proudly at the trophy the girls won at McLouth. Photo by Bray's.*

## Regional Results

| Runner                 | Place | Time  |
|------------------------|-------|-------|
| Noah Diveley           | 25    | 19:56 |
| Amy Keller             | 76    | 22:13 |
| Erie Groeltz           | 41    | 17:24 |
| Kyle Olson             | 83    | 26:37 |
| Tessa Reist            | 14    | 15:50 |
| Callee Simpson         | 24    | 16:26 |
| Lynn Windmeyer         | 21    | 16:15 |
| Natalie Webb           | 30    | 16:54 |
| Girls' Team placed 3rd |       |       |

## Awards

### All County - 1st Team

- Noah Diveley
- Callee Simpson
- Tessa Reist
- Lynn Windmeyer

### State

- Girls' team took tenth
- Tessa Reist place 17th



*Teammates Callee Simpson, Tessa Reist, and Lynn Windmeyer show their team strategy of running and winning together. Photo by Marla Taylor.*



*Noah Diveley intensely tries to get a better time. Photo by Nathan Twombly.*



*The team huddles together to keep warm on a miserable day at State. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Tessa Reist keeps a steady pace at Regionals. Photo by T.J. Simpson.*



*Erinn Groeltz, Lynn Windmeyer, Callee Simpson, and Tessa Reist rest before their meet at Maur Hill. Photo By Donna Parish.*

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# Tools in the Trunk

Woods

Ag

Home Ec

The agricultural, woods and home-economics classes kept busy with many hands-on projects.

The Ag mechanics class was busy with different shop project including sandblasting a truck frame, redoing a little trailer, building cattle panels, and making work benches. The beginning ag students learned proper shop safety and the usage of equipment. They learned how to use the arc welder, wire welder, torch, plasma cutter, cut off saw, and the grinders. Some of the students worked in the greenhouse during the year. The ag-science class mainly concentrated on the entomology, dairy products, and crops contests.

The woods classes were involved in both hands-on and classroom skills.

The first year stu-

dents started out with drawing projects. After they finished the drawings, they were allowed to work in the shop. These students were assigned a wall shelf and a footstool before they were allowed to pick a project of their own.

The advanced woods students worked on an entertainment center, gun cabinet, coat/hat racks, linen closet, fishing rod holder and much more.

The home-economics students have been working on both kitchen safety and sewing lessons.

They learned to use the different kitchen utensils and follow recipes. They made many different foods.

The rest of the year was spent on sewing. All students went through different levels of sewing.

Their own projects included pillows, quilts, pajamas, and more.



Jennifer Davis, Amy Keller, Kristin McCauley, and Cate Batchelder work in the green house. Photo by Zach Powell.



Staci Waggoner and Natalie Jeschke look through magazines for project ideas in home economics. Photo by Donna Parish.



*Michael Stonebarger and Eric Tracy sand their projects during advanced woods. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Brandi Woodruff works on her home-ec project. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Nick Cluck works on his record book in agriculture. Record books in FFA lead to state and district degrees. Photo by Zach Powell*



# Barnwarming

## Stacy Neibling takes Sweetheart crown

Drum roll, please— And the winner of the Barnwarming Sweetheart is—Stacy Neibling.

The candidates were juniors Stacy Neibling and Brandi Woodruff, sophomores Julianne Blevins and Kristin McCauley, and freshmen Callee Simpson and DeAnn McCauley.

Attending Barnwarming were Kansas FFA President Leslie Small, Reporter Jill Casten, and Secretary Matt Wolters.

Cock-a-doodle-doo! The first event was Rise and Shine. Each candidate ran an obstacle course filled with hay and water.

Heave, ho! In Power Lifting, the candidates tossed a hay bale over a bar.

The candidates tested their driving ability by parking a riding lawnmower between two hay bales in Driver's Ed.

In Funny "Seitz," each Sweetheart received three pieces of bologna, which were tossed onto a

pen held in the mouths of freshmen guys.

The last event was Calf Judging. Four high schoolers were used as calves for this event.

After the competitions came the labor sale. Senior Josh Keebler earned the most money. Overall, the labor sale earned \$2,380.

*Sweetheart Stacy Neibling was crowned at Barnwarming by Vice-President Josh Keebler. Photo by Bray's.*

*Callee Simpson flexes her muscles by tossing the hay bale over the bar in Power Lifting. Photo by Holly Vandall, compliments of the FFA.*





*Kristin McCauley roars to a halt in her lawnmower in Driver's Ed. Photo by Holly Vandall, compliments of the FFA.*



*Sweetheart candidates Brandi Woodruff, Callee Simpson, Julianne Blevins, DeAnn McCauley, Kristin McCauley, and Stacy Neibling prepare to hurl bologna at the freshmen guys in Funny "Seitz." Photo by Holly Vandall, compliments of the FFA.*



*Julianne Blevins prepares for Driver's Ed. Sponsor Elmer Schmitz watches in the background. Photo by Holly Vandall, compliments of the FFA.*

# Cinderella

## Practices pave pathway to production



During the first scene of Act II, Dustin Geiger, the Prince, and Jana Collins, Cinderella, gaze into each other's eyes while townspeople Erinn Groeltz, Aaron Dillman, Kyle Olson, Lucas Keebler, and Chad Simpson look on. Photo by Molly O'Brien.

From the first day of school to opening night Nov. 12, hours upon hours were spent by the the choir class to produce *Cinderella*. And their efforts surpassed many of the expectations of new music teacher, Yvette Cook.

The major elements applauded by the audience were

the choreographed ballroom scenes. Somehow, Cook managed to get some twenty odd townspeople to dance in sync. Intricate costuming by Vanetta Geiger added to the effect of the ballroom performances.

*Cinderella* would not have been a musical without the contributions from sophomore lead Jana Collins, Cinderella, and

junior Dustin Geiger, the Prince. Joining them was the happy family of stepmother Heather Gilderleeve, freshman and Tessa Reist, junior, and Andrea Collins, senior, as the stepsisters with Sandy Peters, junior as the Fairy Godmother.

Geiger reflects, "The most memorable moment for me was at the end of the last show when I real-

ized that all of the hard work and time put into the play was worth it."

After the last performance when the applauding had died down, Jana Collins said on stage, "It's a big relief to have this done. [To Dustin] It's been a pleasure working with you, and when I look back, in the end, it all came together."

Heather Gildersleeve, Stepmother, and Jana Collins, Cinderella, perform to the choreographed song "A Lovely Night." Photo by Molly O'Brien.



Heather Gildersleeve, Andrea Collins, and Tessa Reist make fun of Cinderella in "When You're Driving Through the Moonlight." Photo by Matt Reiter..



Jon Theobald explains that a ball is in order if the Prince is to marry (note: Jon is not in his normal physique). Photo by Molly O'Brien.



Sandy Peters sings her heart out to the song "Impossible." Photo by Matt Reiter.

# Local Dialect

History

Spanish

English

Esther Gormley, Joy Meyer, and Donna Parish are all the teachers that are prepared to teach English to the students. Gormley teaches the juniors and seniors while Parish handles the sophomores. Meyer gets the opportunity to handle the upcoming freshmen.

In Gormley's class students are prepared to learn the same rubric as the previous years, but in different manners.

Teaching the material has not changed and will continue to be fun while promoting good work habits. One new thing that Gormley is offering to students is Careers 2000 which will take place in Salina, Kansas, on April 21. Careers 2000 gives students the opportunity to display their talents in many different fields of study and interest.

Larson, who

teaches Spanish class, took the students to "El Barbero de Sevilla." It is a play that is bilingual, and all high school Spanish classes attended. The Spanish II class was involved in making board games for reviewing. The Spanish I class was involved making video commercials. Larson's classes will be taking more trips and having other small projects throughout the year.

Parish is in charge of teaching all the history classes. She teaches the sophomores world history, the juniors American history, and senior class Constitution. Parish tries to intergrate all her class with other teachings. Parish has tried to include material from her experience at a China Institute last summer.

Geography is taught to the juniors by Ron Shelton. Each individual must research a country and write a letter to the UN for the aid that is needed to make the country prosperous.



*Adam Lackey works on his Senior Showcase research at Missouri Western. The senior class went to MW for a tour of the library so that they could use the resources that are available there on their Showcase topics. Photo by Esther Gormley.*



*Toni Larson, the Spanish teacher, is advising her students Aaron Twombly, Mike Jones, Andrew Gillfillian, and Nick Cluck while they work on homework. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Adam Lackey is here trying to help teach Mike Stonebarger how to throw the atlatl. This was taking place on the practice field behind the school. Photo by Donna Parish.*

*Andrew Gilfillan is demonstrating his skills when it comes to throwing the atlatl while Adam Lackey looks on. Donna Parish was teaching the sophomores how prehistoric people hunted by using a atlatl, and she asked Adam to demonstrate it for the sophomores. Most anthropologists believe that the atlatl was not used in Doniphan County to hunt mammoths since the Mississippian Native Americans were probably too late for mammoths. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Kyle Dillman and Jason Nolte are packing up and going inside after being taught a history lesson. Photo by Donna Parish.*

# Cheerleading



*Basketball Cheerleaders: Back Row: T.J. Simpson, Jill Merkel, Natalie Webb; Front Row: Heather Gildersleeve, Callee Simpson. Photo by Bray's.*

## *Chicks on the sideline*

One, two, three, four, show that team just who we're for! And that is just what the cheerleaders did this year. Led by seniors T.J. Simpson and Natalie Webb, this year's squad kept busy trying to boost school and community spirit at various athletic and public events.

Cheerleading is most certainly a full time job, as the work carries on into the summer months. The squad sponsored a car wash and a 4th of July volleyball tournament in order to raise money for the upcoming year. They also sponsored a Spirit Spreader for other squads to attend and learn new cheers, routines, and stunts.

"I really enjoyed cheering for the Bluestreaks for the past four years. I especially enjoyed my senior year because I was able to cheer with my sister, Callee, and my fellow classmate and good friend, Natalie Webb."



*Above: Heather Gildersleeve, Lucinda Keebler, Callee Simpson, and Julianne Blevins intently watch and cheer on the football team. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*Left: The cheerleaders await the arrival of the football team so that the players may destroy their "Bash the Bears" run-through. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



Heather Gildersleeve, freshman, and Natalie Webb, senior, perform a cheer while trying to motivate the crowd during a time-out of the girls' Oskaloosa game. Webb and T.J. Simpson, senior, cheered all four years of their high school careers. Photo by Cate Batchelder.



Jill Merkel, sophomore, exhibits her enthusiastic Bluestreak basketball spirit by performing a kick during a time-out of the men's varsity game. Photo by Cate Batchelder.



Football Cheerleaders: Back Row: Julianne Blevins, Ashley Webb, Jill Merkel; Front Row: Angela Henry, Heather Gildersleeve, DeAnn McCauley, Lucinda Keebler, Callee Simpson. Photo by Bray's.



# Girls' Basketball

## Positive attitudes lead and pave the way to success for the Lady Streaks.

The Lady Streaks started the season off with an undisputed win over the Oskaloosa Bears. They improved as the season went on but were cut short in the end with a record of 12-10.

Brad Bingessor was the head coach assisted by Marla Olson.

This season the Lady

Streaks had a lot of experience and talent. The leadership from the three seniors, Miranda Boos, Andrea Collins, and T. J. Simpson, was great, and their great positive attitudes made this a successful season.

Leading rebounder and scorer for the Lady Streaks was Andrea

Collins, senior. She ended the season with ten double-doubles and averaged 18 points and 9 rebounds a game.

Jana Collins was second in both categories, rebounding and scoring. She finished the season averaging 15 points, 5.5 rebounds, and 2.5 steals per game, while shooting

54% from the field.

T.J Simpson was a big key when it came to rebounding, averaging 5 per game.

Miranda Boos distributed the ball and averaged a little over three assists a game.

Callee Simpson, freshman point guard, stepped her play up to the varsity level where she earned valuable playing time.

Coach Bingessor said, "I was pleased to see the senior leadership throughout the year."

The Lady Streaks left many memorable highlights throughout the season.

•Andrea Collins made seven three-pointers against Troy.

•Jana Collins was one rebound away from a triple-double, 9 rebounds, 12 steals, and 25 points.

•80 point 2-game sweep over Oskaloosa.



The Girls' Basketball Team hung laminated jerseys on the wall as a place to put the stickers that they received after every game. Some of the stickers were rewards for good defense, hustle or assists, just to name a few. Top Row: Julianne Blevins, Kristin McCauley, Jana Collins, Samantha Collins, Jill Merkel, Ashley Webb; Second Row: Head Coach Brad Bingessor, Heather Gildersleeve, Shannon Davis, Callee Simpson, Christina Dickerson, Assistant Coach Marla Olson; Front Row: Manager Cathleen Hanlon, Lynn Windmeyer, Andrea Collins, Miranda Boos, T.J. Simpson, Megan Blevins, Molly O'Brien, manager. Photo by Brays.

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## Box Scores

| Us                 | Opponent        | Them      |
|--------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| 68                 | Oskaloosa       | 22        |
| 48                 | Horton          | 55        |
| 67                 | Valley Falls    | 68        |
| 66                 | Oskaloosa       | 21        |
| 53                 | Midway          | 36        |
| 54                 | Horton          | 57        |
| 61                 | Valley Falls    | 60        |
| 68                 | Elwood          | 32        |
| 67                 | JCN             | 39        |
| 63                 | Pleasant Ridge  | 43        |
| 52                 | Centralia       | 75        |
| 44                 | Troy            | 56        |
| 53                 | Atchison        | 47        |
| 48                 | Horton          | 53        |
| 41                 | Midway          | 43        |
| 60                 | McLouth         | 29        |
| 47                 | Jackson Heights | 48        |
| 38                 | Wathena         | 56        |
| 59                 | Hyman Hebrew    | 55        |
| 64                 | Troy            | 44        |
| 79                 | KSD             | 36        |
| 41                 | Centralia       | 69        |
| <b>Record Wins</b> |                 | <b>12</b> |
| <b>Losses</b>      |                 | <b>10</b> |

## Awards

### Andrea Collins

- DVL Spec. Team
- Hiawatha Tournament Team
- Player of week Topeka Capital Journal (twice)
- 1st team DVL
- 1st team county
- Honorable Mention - Wichita Eagle
- Honorable Mention Topeka Capital Journal
- Honorable Mention St. Joe News Press
- NE Kansas All-Star Game

### Jana Collins

- 2nd Team All-County
- DVL Spec. Team
- Hiawatha Tournament
- 1st Team DVL



*As T.J. Simpson releases one out of two shots from the free throw line, Megan Blevins waits patiently for her second. Photo by Sandy Peters.*



*Being announced, Andrea Collins slaps the hands of her teammates as they prepare for the game. In the background the bench gets the crowd moving and clapping as the players are being announced. Photo by Cate Batchelder.*



*While on defense Andrea Collins attempts to redirect the shot while one of the Horton players attempts a lay up. Photo by Sandy Peters.*

# Boys' Basketball

## Boys started slow, but progressed as season continued

The boys' basketball team finished the season with a 2-17 win-loss record. The top scorers for the year were seniors: Evan Dillman, Travis Clary and Jerod Blanton.

Dillman raised the roof by shooting three's and playing tough defense.

Clary had a little trouble recovering from the flu, but he was still on fire. During the Midway game, Clary held their leading scorer to four points. Against the McLouth Bulldogs, he scored 28 points. During that game, he held 20 points to Jeff Schwinn's eight. Clary made 11 out of 18 shots from the field during the Wathena game and kept their leading scorer below his average.

Blanton has had an incredible year by racking up the blocks against some of the toughest teams like Pleasant Ridge, Centralia and Jackson Heights. Blanton shut down the leading scorer from Jackson Heights by blocking 10 shots.

As a whole,

the team had trouble with fouls and lasting through the entire game. It was not until the Jackson Heights game that senior Adam Lackey and junior Noah Diveley energized the team by playing tough defense. At the beginning of the season, several of the players fouled out before the end of the game. This problem, however, improved as the season progressed.



*Jerod Blanton uses his 6'3 frame to easily lay the ball into the basket with several teammates ready to rebound against the Horton Chargers at Highland. Photo by Nathan Twombly.*

## Box Scores

| Us | Opponent     | Them |
|----|--------------|------|
| 66 | McLouth      | 58   |
| 44 | Oskaloosa    | 70   |
| 59 | Horton       | 44   |
| 53 | Wathena      | 60   |
| 45 | Troy         | 57   |
| 48 | Midway       | 85   |
| 49 | Horton       | 47   |
| 51 | Valley Falls | 58   |
| 55 | Elwood       | 58   |
| 45 | JCN          | 55   |
| 67 | Pl. Ridge    | 90   |
| 50 | Centralia    | 76   |
| 40 | Midway       | 64   |
| 63 | McLouth      | 71   |
| 53 | J. Heights   | 58   |
| 38 | H. Brand     | 56   |
| 61 | Wathena      | 64   |
| 72 | Troy         | 81   |
| 70 | Centralia    | 92   |

## Awards

### Travis Clary

- 1st Team DVL
- 1st Team All County
- Topeka Capital All State 1A
- Wichita Eagle All State 1A
- Northeast Kansas All Star

### Jerod Blanton

- 1st Team All County
- DVL All Tournament Team
- Wichita Eagle All State 1A



Front Row: Mike Jones, Aaron Dillman, Chris Mooney, Chad Simpson, Daren Stewart, Andrew Gilfillan, manager; second row: Noah Diveley, Zach Powell, Luke Keller, Dustin Geiger, Ryan Nolte, Eric Tracy, Jason Nolte, manager; third row: Jon Theobald, Travis Clary, Evan Dillman, Jerod Blanton, Adam Lackey, Fred Green, manager; Ron Shelton, head coach. Photo by Bray's.



Travis Clary soars above the Oskaloosa defenders to score two points for the Streaks as Dustin Geiger and Chad Simpson wait for the rebound. Photo by Andrea Collins.



Travis Clary stands on the free throw line and just lets the ball sail into the basket. All of the players are waiting for a rebound, but the ball goes in and puts the Bluestreaks ahead by one. Photo by Nathan Twombly.

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# King and Queen of Courts



## Joint Rulers of the Court: Collins and Blanton

With each successive year, Highland High School crowns new rulers of the court. By tradition, on Feb. 16, 1999's King was Jerod Blanton. His partner in majesty, the queen, was Andrea Collins.

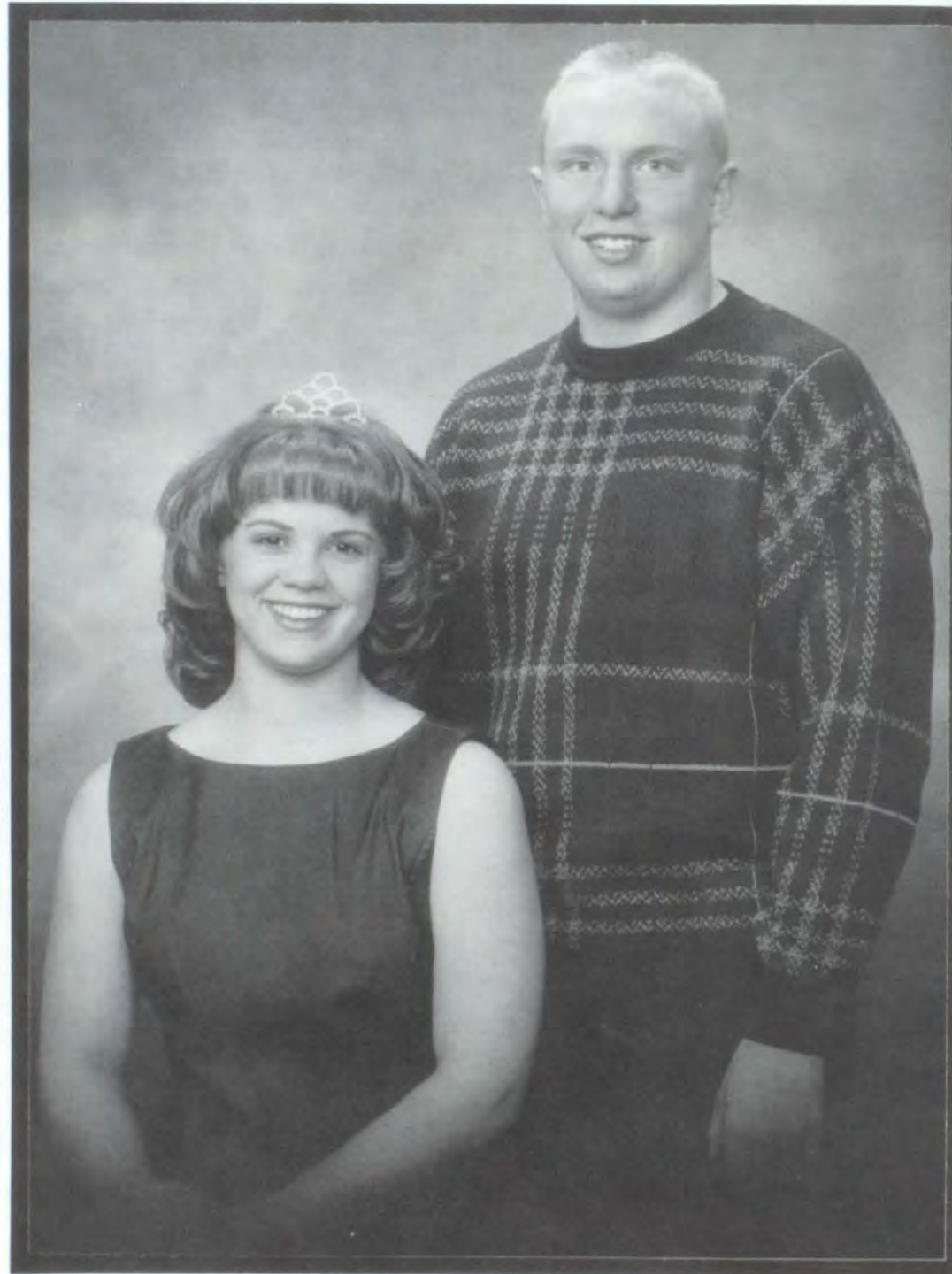
Attendants joining the royalty were T.J. Simpson with Fred Green and Miranda Boos with Evan Dillman.

Flower girl for the night was Lacie Diveley and the crownbearer was Luke Twombly.

Also jammed into the night were basketball games vs. the Wathena Wildcats. Although the Bluestreaks suffered a few losses, the games were competitive and great community fun.

The Booster Club sponsored Senior Parents' Night. All seniors gave their loved ones a rose and an affectionate hug.

Jerod Blanton said, "The characteristics that helped me become king were my sense of humor and my ability to get along with everyone."

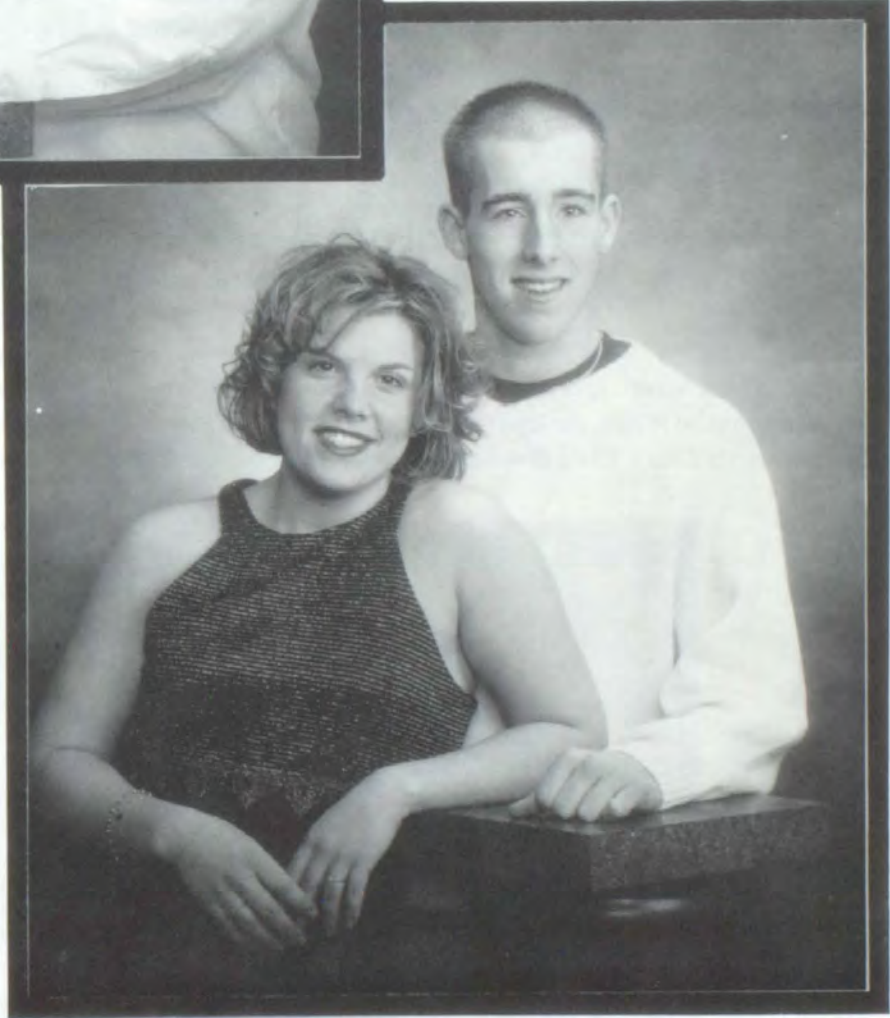


*King and Queen for the night, Andrea Collins and Jerod Blanton, happily enjoy their reign as majesty. Photo by Bray's.*



*Up for King and Queen of Courts 1999, T.J. Simpson and Fred Green respectfully walk away with runner-up prizes. The flower girl this year was Lacie Diveley, daughter of Larry and Karla Diveley ; the crownbearer was Luke Twombly, son of Scott and Leigh Ann Twombly. Photo by Bray's.*

*(Pictured below) Queen of Courts, Andrea Collins, sits on her royal throne between attendants T.J. Simpson and Miranda Boos. Photo by Cate Batchelder.*



*Court attendants Miranda Boos and Evan Dillman walk away with consolation titles. Both Boos and Dillman played basketball that night vs. the Wathena Wildcats. Photo by Bray's.*

# Quiz Bowl/



## National Honor Society Reaching the goal of better than the best

Quiz Bowl and National Honor Society took their own charge this year with their new sophomore members. Knowledge was flowing strong with the new members at the NHS annual installation on Oct. 27. The new sophomore inductees were Julianne Blevins, Jana Collins, Samantha Collins, Jennifer Davis, Andrew Gilfillan, Erinn Groeltz,

Kristin McCauley, Jill Merkel, Aaron Twombly, and Ashley Webb. The requirement for NHS is to maintain a 3.0 G.P.A. through the whole year.

Quiz Bowl had an outstanding year with their varsity team placing third in the Highland Invitational. The group also did a terrific job at Highland Community College where they placed fourth. The winning group went

on to take first at Delaware Valley League meet. They then went to Regionals where they finished second to qualify for State.

"When on the bus ready to leave from Regionals, the Assistant Tournament Director told us that there was a three way tie for second and that we had to run back inside. Then we won and received the plaque for

second place," said Matt Reiter, junior.

The team finished the year off by traveling to Ranson for the State Quiz Bowl meet.

The varsity members that brought this winning streak were Andrea Collins, Nathan Twombly, seniors; Stacy Neibling, Matt Reiter, Cate Batchelder, juniors.

*The members of NHS are Front Row: Lynn Windmeyer, Ashley Webb, Andrea Collins, Jennifer Davis, Kristin McCauley; Second Row: Ted Hutchcraft, sponsor; Andrew Gilfillan, Erinn Groeltz, Sandy Peters, Megan Blevins, Jana Collins, Tessa Reist, T.J. Simpson, Natalie Webb, Julianne Blevins, Jill Merkel, Stacy Neibling, Amanda Williams, Noah Diveley; Back Row: Dustin Geiger, Travis Clary, Cate Batchelder, Samantha Collins, Matt Reiter, Aaron Twombly, Nathan Twombly, Adam Lackey. Photo by Bray's.*





The 1998-99 Quiz Bowl members are Front Row: Molly O'Brien, Christina Dickerson; Second Row: Stacy Neibling, Matt Reiter; Third Row: Andrea Collins, Cate Batchelder, Mike Jones; Back Row: Nathan Twombly, Andrew Gilfillan, Heather Gildersleeve, Crystal Harness, Holly Vandall, Deven Yurth. Photo by Bray's.



New member Jana Collins signs the National Honor Society book, while Natalie Webb waits to give Jana, her NHS pen. Waiting at the end of the line is Ted Hutchcraft, sponsor, to hand Jana her lighted candle. Photo by Donna Parish.



Matt Reiter, Stacy Neibling, Cate Batchelder, and Nathan Twombly use their spare time to do their home work at the State Quiz Bowl meet in Ranson. All three juniors work on their chemisrty while Nathan Twombly works on his physics. Photo by Kertis Keehn.

# Traveling Music

Choir

Band

The harmonies of voices and instruments frequently floated up from the basement. No, the building wasn't haunted. It was the band and choir directed by Yvette Cook.

After endless rehearsals, the choir presented the musical *Cinderella* (see pages 34-35). Then they performed a holiday concert. Contests and the spring concert were the concerns for second semester.

"I think doing solos is a good opportunity. Mrs. Cook really helps us perfect our singing techniques," commented Amanda Williams, junior.

Cook seemed very pleased: "The basketball pep band was peppy, and I was pleased with their performances."

sleeve, freshman, was enthusiastic about band as well: "I think band is a good learning experience. It's fun too!"

At graduation, the band played the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance," and the choir sang "Goodbye my Friend." "I like 'Goodbye my Friend.' It is a very pretty song, but it is kind of sad too," said Staci Waggoner, junior.

Through the universal language of music, they brought culture and entertainment.

*Several band members toot their horns and beat their drums during the Oskaloosa game on Dec. 4 which the Lady Streaks won 68-22. Photo by Cate Batchelder.*



Heather Gilder- *Choir members Front Row: Lucinda Keebler, Heather Gildersleeve, Natalie Webb, Angela Henry, Natalie Jeschke, Staci Waggoner, Christina Dickerson, Ashley Webb, Erinn Groeltz, Julianne Blevins, Yvette Cook, director; Second Row: Adam Lackey, Amanda Williams, Lynn Windmeyer, Tessa Reist, Jana Collins, Liz Carwell, Callee Simpson, DeAnn McCauley, Treka Moehle, Samantha Collins, Casey Vaught, Lucas Keebler; Third Row: Chad Simpson, Holly Gray, Andrea Collins, Sandy Peters, Megan Blevins, Miranda Boos, Kari Garrett, Amanda Romine, Crystal Harness, Shannon Davis, Ashley Beaman, Holly Vandall, Andrew Gilfillan, Kyle Dillman; Fourth Row: Fred Green, Dustin Geiger, Nathan Twombly, Jon Theobald, Evan Dillman, Travis Clary, Jerod Blanton, Michael Stonebarger, Daren Stewart, Mike Jones, Aaron Dillman, Deven Yurth, Chris Mooney, Kyle Olson, and Aaron Twombly. Photo by Bray's.*



*Band members Front Row: Sierra Covert, Christina Dickerson, Heather Terry, Jon Edie; Second Row: Matt Reiter, Crystal Harness, Cassie Collins, Morgan Peters; Third Row: Cody Peters, Matt Cluck, Angela Henry, Tommy Moran, Brian Reiter, Tessa Reist, Kaleb Caudle; Fourth Row: Brandon Geiger, Christopher Sullivan, Yvette Cook, director, Emily Tharp; Fifth Row: Albert Edie, Kyle Olson, Heather Gildersleeve, and Steven Holt. Photo by Bray's.*

*Band soloists: Christina Dickerson, Crystal Harness, and Heather Gildersleeve. Gildersleeve received a I rating at League for her performance on the baritone and a I rating at Regionals for her performance on the trumpet. Dickerson on the flute and Harness on the bass clarinet also received I ratings at Regionals. Dickerson and Harness went to State. Photo by Bray's.*



*Vocal soloists and accompanists Front Row: Mike Jones, Kyle Olson, Andrea Collins, Adam Lackey; Second Row: Heather Gildersleeve, Ashley Beaman, Jana Collins, Tessa Reist, Sandy Peters, and Amanda Williams. Lackey and Peters received I ratings at League. Reist and J. Collins received I ratings at League and Regionals and went to State. Photo by Bray's.*



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# Track

## Season Highlights

This year the track team really followed through on its ambitions. The girls' 4x200m relay team tied the school record of 152.5 seconds which was set back in 1975 by Anita Collins, Carol Cole, Yvette Cruise, and Sally Ukena. The team went on to break it at Regionals with a time of 151.5 seconds, which also qualified them for State competition. At State, they placed eighth.

Tessa Reist, junior, and Jana Collins, sophomore, both qualified individually. Collins placed third in the 200m at Regionals and sixth at State with a time of 27.4; Reist placed fourth in the 400m at Regionals and eighth at State with a time of 61.4.



*The members of the track team are Front Row: Callee Simpson, Christina Dickerson, Natalie Webb, T.J. Simpson, Andrea Collins, Ashley Webb, Tessa Reist, DeAnn McCauley; Second Row: Andrew Gilfillan, Noah Diveley, Adam Lackey, Aaron Dillman, Liz Carwell, Jana Collins, Juli Blevins, Erinn Groeltz, Becky Cole, Stacy Neibling; Third Row: Crystal Harness (manager), Matt Reiter, Kyle Olson, Eric Tracy, Daren Stewart, Mike Jones, Dustin Geiger, Angie Eberly (head women's coach), Justin Smith (head men's coach). Photo by Donna Parish.*



*Jana Collins strives for air as she passes the finish line at the Highland track meet. Collins went on to compete in the 400m, the girls' 4x400m relay, and the girls' 4x200m relay at State. Photo by Stacy Neibling.*

## Memorable Moments

"My most memorable moment was when the shotput ring was full of water and Eric pushed Andrew in the water. Then he felt bad so he jumped in himself." Stacy Neibling

"My most memorable moment was beating Bern in the 4x400m relay at Midway." Jana Collins

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Tessa "Speed Demon" Reist leaves her opponents in her dust...again. Tessa placed first in the 400m run at the Jackson Heights meet and went on to compete at State in the 200m, the girls' 4x400m relay, and the girls' 4x200m relay. Photo by Donna Parish.



Andrea Collins shows a sign of relief on her face as she releases the shotput at the Regionals track meet. Photo by Donna Parish.

## Box Scores

|   | 1st | 2nd | 3rd   |
|---|-----|-----|-------|
| .....   |     |     |       |
| <b>Adam Lackey</b>                                  |     |     |       |
| High Hurdles  | 1   | 2   | 2     |
| 300 Hurdles   | 1   | 1   | 2     |
| <b>Noah Diveley</b>                                 |     |     |       |
| 3200m   |     |     | 1     |
| 1600m   |     | 1   |       |
| <b>Mike Jones</b>                                   |     |     |       |
| High Jump   |     |     | 1     |
| 200m  |     |     | 1     |
| <b>Dustin Geiger</b>                                |     |     |       |
| 800m  |     | 2   | 1     |
| <b>Aaron Dillman</b>                                |     |     |       |
| High Jump   |     |     | 1     |
| <b>Tessa Reist</b>                                  |     |     |       |
| Long Jump   | 4   | 1   | 1     |
| 400m  | 3   |     | (4th) |
| (placed 8th at State, tied school record with 61.4) |     |     |       |
| 800m  | 2   | 2   |       |
| <b>Callee Simpson</b>                               |     |     |       |
| 3200m   | 1   | 1   | 2     |
| 1600m   | 2   |     |       |
| <b>Andrea Collins</b>                               |     |     |       |
| Shotput   |     | 3   | 4     |
| Discus  | 2   | 3   | 2     |
| Javelin   |     | 1   |       |
| <b>Stacy Neibling</b>                               |     |     |       |
| Discus  |     | 1   |       |
| <b>Jana Collins</b>                                 |     |     |       |
| 400m  | 2   | 1   |       |
| 200m  | 4   |     | 1     |
| (placed 6th at State with 27.4)                     |     |     |       |
| 100m  | 1   |     |       |
| <b>Natalie Webb</b>                                 |     |     |       |
| 3200m   |     |     | 1     |
| <b>Cate Batchelder</b>                              |     |     |       |
| High Jump   |     | 1   |       |
| <b>Juli Blevins</b>                                 |     |     |       |
| Triple Jump   |     | 1   |       |
| <b>T.J. Simpson</b>                                 |     |     |       |
| 100m  |     |     | 1     |

## Relay Results

|  | 1st | 2nd | 3rd   |
|--|-----|-----|-------|
| .....  |     |     |       |
| <b>Boys' Relays</b>  |     |     |       |
| 4x100m   |     | 1   |       |
| <b>Girls' Relays</b>   |     |     |       |
| 4x100m   |     | 1   |       |
| 4x200m (Juli Blevins, Jana Collins, T.J. Simpson, Tessa Reist) | 5   | 1   | (4th) |
| (placed 8th at State)  |     |     |       |
| 4x400m (Juli Blevins, Jana Collins, T.J. Simpson, Tessa Reist) | 3   | 1   | 1     |
| 4x800m   |     | 1   |       |

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# Seniors

## Memories made together to last a lifetime

The class of '99 played sports together, planned a Prom together, survived Senior Showcase together, and, most recently, took a group trip to Galveston, TX.

The class has 17 graduating members and here are some of their memories.

"My most memorable moment was when

Kristy Green, Amanda Romine, Lisa Westcott, and I skipped school to go shopping for the Homecoming dance. We decided to get ice cream at Baskin Robbins and Mr. Collins and Samantha walked in.

We nonchalantly got up, piled into the car and left."

-Kari Garrett

"My most memo-

orable moment of high school is the infamous days of 'Lunch Time Ball.' In the beginning it started out as Brad McCauley, Jerod Blanton, and I versus Brant Clary, Josh Keebler, and Bobby Hopkins. It then progressed into Brant and Josh versus Jerod and me. As of late, it is Josh and I versus Jerod and Evan

Dillman. Many of these games resulted in running off at the mouth and light shoving, but boy were they fun and very much anticipated."

- Travis Clary

"My most memorable moment was when my car caught on fire on the way to school during my freshman year."

-Holly Vandall



*While in Galveston, the seniors traveled to the Gulf of Mexico for a day of sun and fun. Lisa Westcott plays in the Gulf and gets some rays. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*Front row: Evan Dillman, Andrea Collins, T.J. Simpson, Nathan Twombly, Adam Lackey; Back row: Amanda Romine, Kari Garrett, Molly O'Brien, Holly Vandall, Lisa Westcott, Miranda Boos, Natalie Webb, Jerod Blanton, Josh Keebler, Travis Clary, and Fred Green take a break from their packed day to pose for a group picture, taken in rainforests in the Moody Gardens in Galveston, TX. The gardens were filled with tropical plants and butterflies. Before the garden tour, the group was allowed to view and pet a few rare animals. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*Holly Vandall blows on her sunburn after returning from a day of deep sea fishing. The group traveled 60 miles into the Gulf of Mexico before they stopped to start their fishing expedition. Molly O'Brien said, "We caught about 50 pounds of Red Snapper, and we are planning to have a fish fry sometime." Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*While in Galveston, Travis Clary celebrated his 18th birthday at Joe's Crab Shack. The employees dressed him up in a grass skirt and coconut bra to help with the festivities. By Natalie Webb.*



*Jerod Blanton and Evan Dillman enjoy some seafood at Joe's Crab Shack in Galveston. This was a favorite spot of this year's seniors and seniors from years back. The workers at Joe's are known to drop what they are doing and start dancing. Photo by Natalie Webb.*

# FFA



## Competing in the art of agriculture

The most active club was busy showing what they have learned about all things related to agriculture. Attending over ten contests in the last year, FFA members were able to pick up many awards in topics varying from public speaking to poultry judging.

The loyal FFA members began their work in the fall when all students began learning about their topics through books and hands-on activities.

Led by their sponsor,

Elmer Schmitz, the club received excellent ratings at trips to Manhattan, Sabetha, and other places across Kansas.

At district competition, Ag business placed third while landscaping placed second.

Awards Banquet celebrated the achievements of the local chapter near the end of the year. Leading the group in awards was Josh Keebler, winner of the State Wildlife Proficiency Award and nearly eight others.



*Josh Keebler is handed his state award from sponsor Elmer Schmitz and President T. J. Simpson. Photo by Cathleen Hanlon.*



*FFA members are, Front row: Stacy Neibling, Secretary; Cate Batchelder, STUCO rep.; T.J. Simpson, President; Jill Merkel, Reporter; Kristin McCauley, Treasurer; Holly Vandall, Historian; Becky Cole, Sentinel; Josh Keebler, Vice President; Second Row: Lucas Keebler, Julianne Blevins, Ashley Webb, Brandi Woodruff, Noah Diveley, Nathan Woodruff, Lucinda Keebler, Callee Simpson, Shannon Davis, Amy Keller, Chris Mooney, Kyle Olson; Third row: Brooks Rawles, Alex Moore, Dustin Geiger, Andrea Collins, Jana Collins, Jennifer Davis, Lynn Windmeyer, Treka Moehle, Kari Garrett, Bryan Rhodd, DeAnn McCauley, Cathleen Hanlon; Last Row: Elmer Schmitz, sponsor; B.J. Twombly, Evan Dillman, Ryan Nolte, Travis Clary, Jerod Blanton, Zach Powell, Fred Green, Luke Keller, Eric Tracy, Mike Jones, Daren Stewart, Megan Blevins, Amanda Romine, and Jason Nolte. Photo by Bray's.*





Shannon Davis, Ashley Webb, and Lucinda Keebler eat at the awards banquet. Photo by Cathleen Hanlon.

| FFA Activities                     |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Greenhands<br>Holton               | Oct. 13    |
| Leadership<br>Vermillion           | Oct. 27    |
| National Convention<br>Kansas City | Nov. 11-13 |
| State Contest<br>Manhattan         | Apr. 18-20 |
| Awards Banquet<br>Highland         | May 3      |
| State Convention<br>Manhattan      | June 2-4   |

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Entomology members learn all about insects in the Ag Science class. The entomology team took first at district and ninth at state by classifying bugs and how they affect farming. Bottom Row: Josh Keebler, Travis Clary, Kari Garrett, and Holly Vandall; Top Row: Evan Dillman, Fred Green, Ryan Nolte, and Luke Keller. Photo by Bray's.



The greenhands received a first place award in district leadership this year. Front Row: Lucinda Keebler, Callee Simpson, DeAnn McCauley, Shannon Davis; Middle Row: Brooks Rawles, Lucas Keebler, Chris Mooney; Top Row: Daren Stewart, Bryan Rhodd, Nathan Woodruff. Photo by Bray's.



# Prom

## "Savage Garden" and "Cosmic Fun"

"Savage Garden" was the theme for the junior/senior Prom. Exotic animals, palm trees, and green plants filled the gym on the exciting night. A giraffe, alligator, hippopotamus, and a zebra (all homemade) were the hit of the year. The decorations were simply outstanding. The night began with pictures followed by an elegant steak dinner by candlelight.

"I thought the dance was different because of the exotic decorations. The little bird in the pictures was a nice touch," said Holly Vandall, senior. Green

slush punch and animal crackers soon became a hit after the dancing started.

After-Prom consisted of cosmic bowling and games at Olympia Lanes in St. Joeseph, MO. Kertis Keehn, science teacher, said, "I loved After-Prom. I thought it was very beneficial because it gave them a safe place to go." Cash prizes and other smaller prizes were given away all night. The lucky winners came home with many memories that will last a lifetime.



*The senior class attends their last Prom, enjoying a night of dancing, food, and bonding. Front row (left to right): Miranda Boos, T.J. Simpson, Andrea Collins, Natalie Webb, Molly O'Brien, Kari Garrett, and Lisa Westcott; Second Row: Holly Vandall, Fred Green, Jon Theobald, Nathan Twombly, Adam Lackey, and Amanda Romine; Back Row: Josh Keebler, Evan Dillman, Jerod Blanton, and Travis Clary. Photo by Bray's.*



*Molly O'Brien and Mike Jones slow dance while enjoying the atmosphere. Photo by Bray's.*





The junior class relaxes after much preparation. Front Row: Becky Cole, Stacy Neibling, Brandi Woodruff, Noah Diveley, Tessa Reist, and Natalie Jeschke; Second Row: Sandy Peters, Cathleen Hanlon, Holly Gray, Lynn Windmeyer, Megan Blevins, Cate Batchelder, Amanda Williams, and Staci Waggoner; Back Row: Ryan Nolte, Dustin Geiger, Eric Tracy, Zach Powell, Luke Keller, Alex Moore, B.J. Twombly, and Matt Reiter. Photo by Bray's.



Adam Lackey and Casey Vaught get into the swing of things. Photo by Bray's.



Fred Green and Kristin McCauley have a great time dancing to the tunes of the D.J., "Complete Music." Photo by Bray's.



Lynn Windmeyer and date, Tyler Pyle, take a break from all the action. Photo by Bray's.

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# Swing Choir

'Spread your wings and fly'

The Swing Choir followed the words of Mariah Carey's song "Butterfly" by letting their personalities shine through as they performed at a r e a churches, contests, and especially during tour.

The Swing Choir had a very busy year. They participated in the Dela-

ware Valley Music Festival, where they earned a I rating. At the Regional Music Festival they received a II rating. The highlight of their year was tour.

The '99 tour took the 20 Swing Choir members and their director, Cheryl Rasmussen, on the road to

Midway High School, Rising Star Elementary, McLouth High School, and Jefferson County

a mixture of themes that included a little bit of country, pop, disco, and jungle.



North (JCN) High School. Their final performance was in front of their hometown crowd.

"The highlight of the tour was performing for the Rising Star Elementary because they were very energetic, and the performance was more relaxed," said Samantha Collins, sophomore.

This year's tour was

tumes," said Rasmussen.

The Swing Choir had a very successful year. Their dedication,

hard work, and talent could be seen by all of their great accomplishments. Memories of the Swing Choir will always remain in their hearts. And for the seniors they are now ready to begin a new race in "the real world."

"Swing Choir has been one of the most

The songs they sang included "My Best Friend's Wedding Medley," "Down At the Twist and Shout," "George of the Jungle," "I Will Survive," and "Butterfly."

"Tour was really fun. The choreography and the costumes were the best, thanks to the girls in the group that did the choreography and the cos-

memorable activities that I have participated in throughout high school. I would like to thank Ms. Rasmussen and the rest of the Swing Choir members for making the past four years enjoyable," said Andrea Collins, senior.



Mike Jones lets out his call to the wild as he plays George while the group sings "George of the Jungle." Photo by Cate Batchelder.



Jana Collins and Juli Blevins smile from ear to ear as they serenade Eric Nolte during "The Way You Look Tonight." The girls' selections included "My Best Friend's Wedding Medley" and "I Will Survive." Andrea Collins and Tessa Reist did most of the accompanying through out the year. Photo by Cate Batchelder.



Natalie Webb places the wedding veil on Megan Blevins during "My Best Friend's Wedding Medley." Andrea Collins choreographed and put together the props for this selection. Photo by Cate Batchelder.



During the men's selection, "The Gambler," Dustin Geiger and Adam Lackey smoke their cigars (pretzel rods). The pretzel rods were an added prop for the Highland crowd only. Photo by Cate Batchelder.

Group picture (pg. 58) Front Row: Aaron Dillman, Juli Blevins, Ashley Webb, Jana Collins, and Daren Stewart; Middle Row: Lucas Keebler, Heather Gildersleeve, Dustin Geiger, Samantha Collins, Sandy Peters, and Michael Stonebarger; Back Row: Brooks Rawles, Tessa Reist, Kyle Olson, Andrea Collins, Megan Blevins, Travis Clary, Natalie Webb and Adam Lackey, not pictured Mike Jones. Photo by Donna Parish.

# Awards Night

On May 20, Awards Night was held to help recognize students for their hard work. Awards were given to participants in art, choir, journalism, and to students for their academic excellence, community service, and perfect attendance.

The All Around Student is Andrea Collins.

The Armed Services Scholar Athletic award was awarded to Travis Clary and T.J. Simpson, both seniors. Juniors Dustin Gieger and Cate Batchelder won the Wendy's High School Heisman Award. The Citizenship awards were won by seniors Nathan Twombly and Simpson. The I DARE YOU award was given to juniors Ryan Nolte and Stacy Neibling.

The night ended with a video of the seniors in plays and music programs.



*Molly O'Brien receives a Quiz Bowl pin from Teresa Witt. Photo by Sandy Peters.*



*Adam Lackey gives Cheryl Rasmussen a bouquet of flowers from the Swing Choir. Photo by Sandy Peters.*



*Gerre Martin hands T.J. Simpson her JoAnn Hallauer Scholarship award. Photo by Sandy Peters*



*Jana Collins leaves the stage after receiving the best supporting actress award for her performance in Cinderella. Photo by Sandy Peters.*



*Cheryl Rasmussen gives an honor cord to Travis Clary. Photo by Lynn Windmeyer*



*Lisa Westcott receives the Extra-ordinary Effort award from Jill Evans. Photo by Lynn Windmeyer.*

# Graduation



On Sunday, May 23, after four long years of study, homework, and good times, the Class of 1999 received their diplomas.

After the class marched in to "*Pomp & Circumstance*," Travis Clary gave his Salutatory Address. He represented the Class of '99 by saying thank you to the faculty, staff, parents, and God for helping them to be the best that they could be. Then the choir sang "*Goodbye, My Friend*."

Next, Andrea Collins gave her Valedictory Address by sharing some of the most important lessons the class has learned. Ending her address, Collins said to her fellow classmates, "I will remember you" and sang "*I Will Remember You*" while playing the piano. After the applause, the Swing Choir sang "*Butterfly*."

Natalie Webb gave her Valedictory Address; halfway through Natalie read a poem entitled "Rainbow." Natalie closed off her address saying to the seniors, "I hope the path you choose leads you to happiness and may God bless each and every one of you throughout your journey in life." Then the seniors presented roses to their parents as tokens of appreciation for all of the love and support given to them throughout their lives.

Conrad Clary, HHS Alumnus of 1954 and a 23 year veteran administrator of the Highland District, addressed the audience with his "Pass The Sugar" speech. Clary expressed that he hopes the graduates keep in touch with each other in the future. He handed out cards with a picture of Highland High School on them; on the back, he put all of the sugar words that he shared with everyone that day. Clary ended his speech by saying that Highland High School is ready to "Pass the Sugar."



*Jon Theobald, Nathan Twombly, Josh Keebler, and Fred Green wait anxiously to try out the traditional hesitation step.*

*Photo by Bray's.*

*Caption for group picture on top of page 63.*

*The graduates are Front Row: Molly O'Brien, Natalie Webb, Holly Vandall, Amanda Romine, Kari Garrett, Lisa Westcott. Middle Row: Nathan Twombly, T.J. Simpson, Miranda Boos, Andrea Collins, Adam Lackey. Back Row: Jon Theobald, Evan Dillman, Jerod Blanton, Travis Clary, Josh Keebler, Fred Green. Picture by Bray's.*



*Travis Clary gives his Salutatory Address directly after the procession. Photo by Bray's*



*Andrea Collins, Miranda Boos, and Molly O'Brien chat while getting ready for group pictures before the ceremony. Photo by Bray's.*



*Jon Theobald and T.J. Simpson march in to "Pomp & Circumstance" by Elgar. T.J.'s proud mother tries to capture the moment. Photo by Bray's.*

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*Eric Tracy, Deven Yurth, Mike Jones, and Amanda Williams "wrap up" their summers at a first day of school event sponsored by Stuco. Photo by Donna Parish.*



*The Bluestreak offensive gets ready to rumble into the Oskaloosa Bears and the school year. Photo by Natalie Webb.*

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Junior Lynn Windmeyer runs uphill in the Troy Cross Country meet. After a summer of rest and relaxation, all of the students were similar running uphill against the tides of homework and reports. Photo by Nathan Twombly.



The school year is in full swing with the musical Cinderella. Sophomore Mike Jones announces a year filled with many exciting events. Photo by Molly O'Brien.

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*Crystal Harness offers advice to fellow junior varsity Quiz Bowlers Molly O'Brien, Christina Dickerson, Mike Jones, and Andrew Gilfillan during the Highland meet. Both the Quiz Bowl and the student body are looking forward to Christmas Break. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*Senior Adam Lackey runs the 110 meter high hurdles at Regionals. Lackey and the rest of the seniors are heading full steam toward graduation. Lackey finished the year in style by running his personal best. Photo by Donna Parish.*

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*After a long, hard year, senior Jon Theobald and Hiawatha freshman Telissa Collins wind down with a slow dance at Prom. Photo by Bray's.*

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*Evan Dillman and Zach Powell converse about their futures at Prom. Photo by Bray's.*



*Graduating seniors Holly Vandall, Nathan Twombly, Kari Garrett, Jerod Blanton, Josh Keebler, and Lisa Westcott await onstage for their names to be called. The perfect end to a long and fun-filled year. Photo by Bray's.*

# Finish Line

## A look at students who hit the door running

The checkered flag is waving, and the year is about to end. But before we say goodbye, we present you with a look at what our students choose to do when the final bell rings. From jobs to hobbies, students have a wide variety of pastimes. In addition to schoolwork, students pack in many different activities to fill their already full schedules. These pictures show only a small portion of their different interests.



*Nick Cluck climbs aboard his combine to begin his daily routine. Cluck works for Cluck Custom Harvesting; he puts in many hours during the school year. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*Megan Blevins checks out a customer at the Highland Market. Her friendly smile is a welcoming sign at the local grocery store. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*Erinn Groeltz practices a Sagittarius dance for her upcoming performance. Groeltz takes dance 3-4 times a week at Missouri Western State College with nine other dancers. Photo by Sandy Groeltz.*



*Sandy Peters checks out movies to the people of Hiawatha. Peters works at Total Entertainment Center in Hiawatha, KS. Photo by Natalie Webb.*



*The student body of Highland High School stands around their second home. USD #425 seems to be the field trip capital of the world. On the average, a typical student spends approximately 70 hours a year on a school bus. The more active students clock up to 120+ hours on the big yellow busses. Photo by Donna Parish.*

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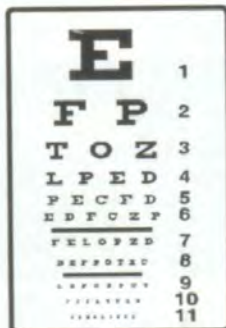
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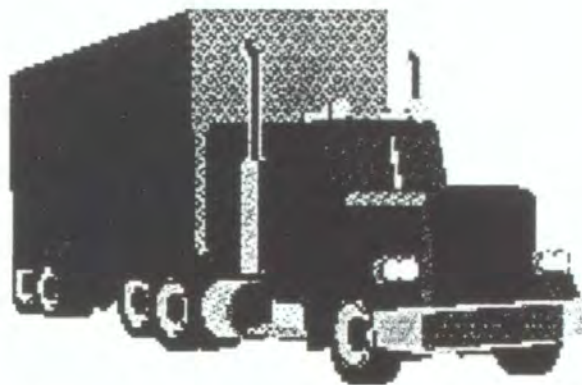
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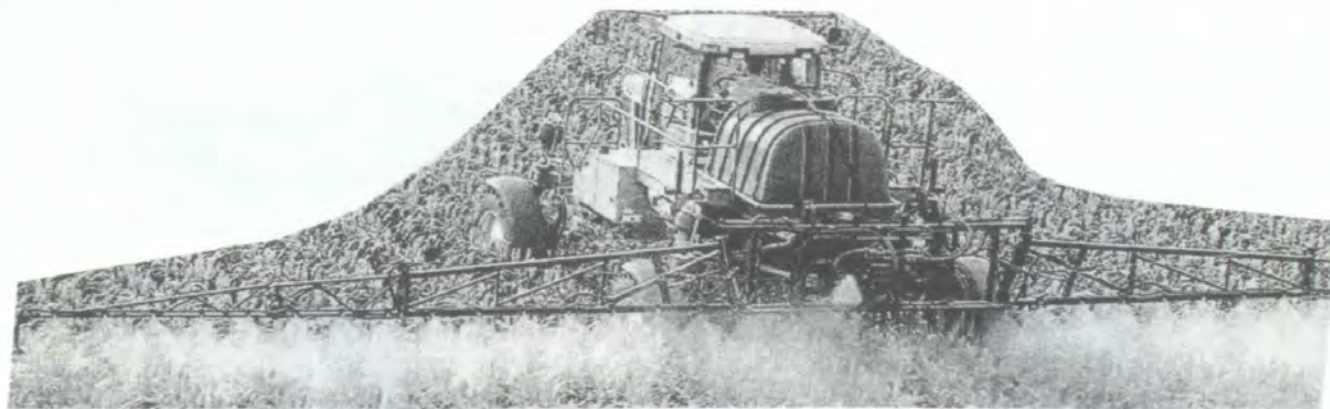
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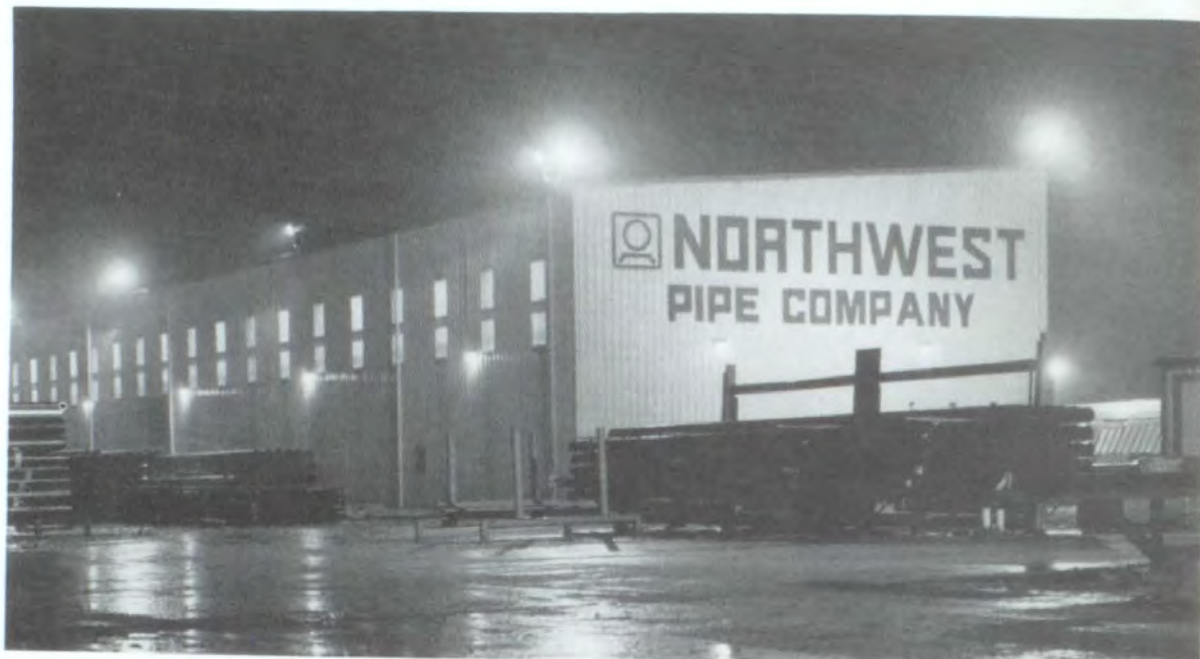


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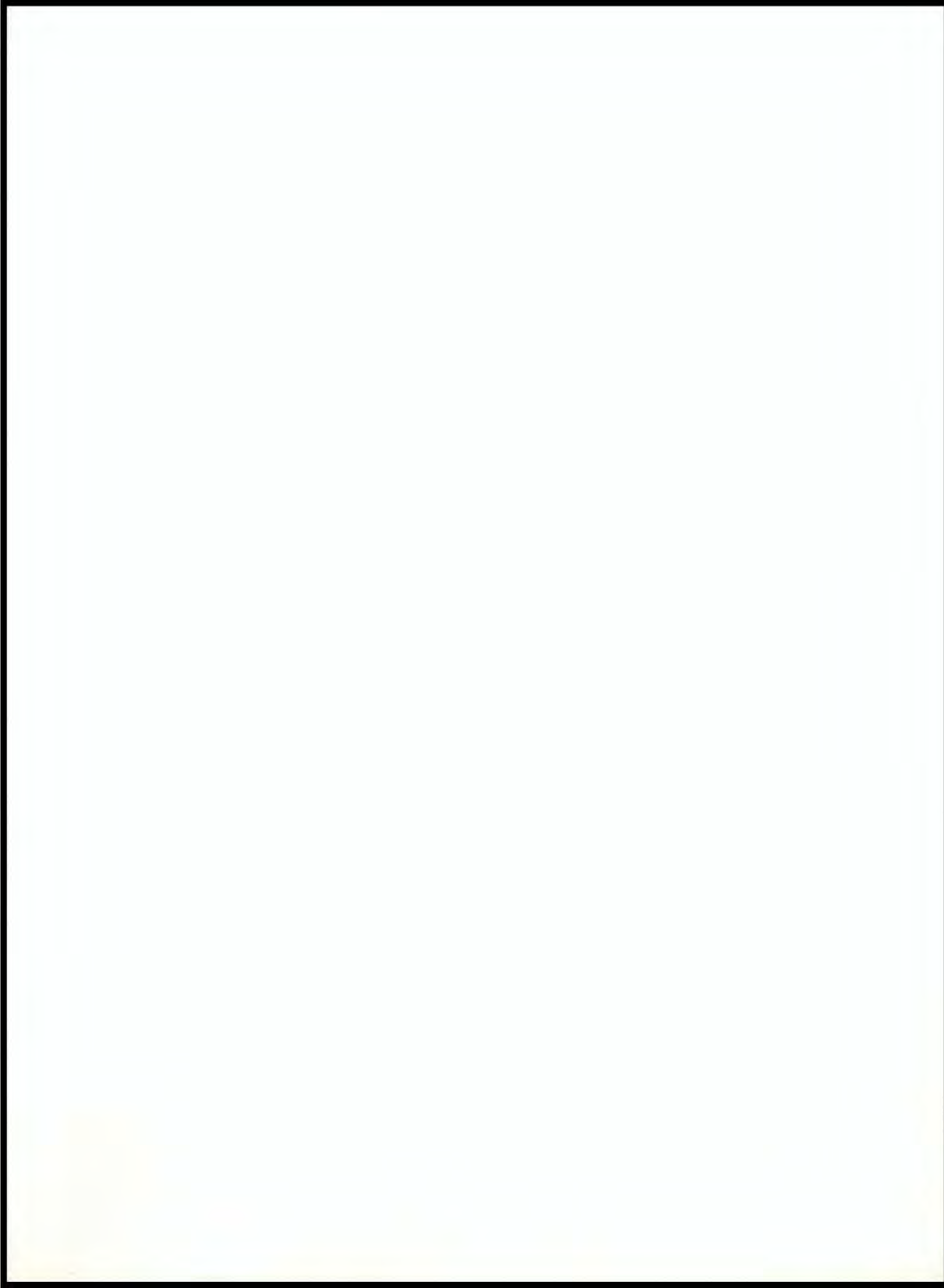


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# World News



AFP Photo

French high school students demand more teachers, better equipment and buildings and a lighter course load in an October protest in Paris. The French government designates \$40 million annually over the next four years, as well as 1,000 new teaching posts.

AP Photo/Franck Prevel



A total collapse of the Russian ruble sends world markets into chaos. Boris Yeltsin asks Viktor Chernomyrdin to head the government to help restore political and economic stability.



AP Photo/Michael Probst

A discotheque fire in Goteborg, Sweden, kills 67 teens and injures several more, making it the deadliest fire in modern Swedish history. Arson is the suspected cause of the October fire.



Courtesy Partnership for a Drug Free America

After a U.N. drug summit in which 150 countries endorse an anti-drug campaign, the U.S. vows to spend an estimated \$1 billion over the next five years on anti-drug advertising, corporate and civic partnerships and promotion.



AP Photo/Adam Butler

In a dangerous escalation of hostile feelings in the area, India begins nuclear bomb testing in response to Pakistan's testing of the Ghauri missile.

A memorial commemorating the first anniversary of the death of Princess Diana and Dodi Fayed is put on display in London's Harrods department store, which is owned by Dodi's father.



Baldev/Syran

On September 2, Swissair Flight 111 crashes in the sea in Peggy's Cove, Nova Scotia, Canada, killing all 229 passengers and crew aboard. A cockpit wiring fire is the suspected cause of the disaster.



AP Photo/Paul Chiasson



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In retaliation for the African embassy bombings, the U.S. attacks a suspected chemical weapons factory in the capital of Sudan and a terrorist training camp in Afghanistan, and launches a worldwide search for suspected mastermind Osama bin Laden.

# World News

On August 7, powerful bombs explode outside the U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania killing 248 people, including 12 Americans, and injuring more than 5,000.



AP Photo/John McConnico

NASA and Russia will conduct 45 missions to launch and assemble the International Space Station *Alpha*. Set for completion by 2004, the station will be powered by almost an acre of solar panels and will weigh almost one million pounds.



NASA



AP Photo/Pool

The remains of Czar Nicholas II and his family, killed in 1918 in Central Russia and buried in a mass grave, are exhumed and laid to rest in St. Petersburg.



AP Photo/Xinhua, Zhang Yonghong

The worst summer flooding in China since 1954 kills 3,000 people, destroys 17 million homes and affects one-fifth of the country's population.



Gary Hershorn/Routers

President Clinton becomes the first U.S. leader to visit China since the Tiananmen Square massacre in 1989. Many criticize Clinton for his apparent leniency toward China's human rights restrictions.



AP Photo/Luis Romero

Hurricane Mitch ravages parts of Central America and kills more than 10,000 people, making it the second deadliest storm in the region's history.

After months of negotiations, Swiss banks and Jewish groups reach a \$1.25 billion settlement in a lawsuit filed by thousands of Holocaust survivors to recover lost savings.



Mark Garanger/Corbis



AP Photo/European Union

On January 1, 1999, the euro debuts as the new currency in 11 European Common Market countries. It will be three more years before euro coins and cash are officially put into circulation.

## Flash

John Hume and David Trimble, Northern Ireland's two main political party leaders, win the Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts to end the violence that has plagued the British province for three decades.

After a stop in Mexico City in January 1999, Pope John Paul II arrives in St. Louis, Missouri, and celebrates Mass with over 100,000 people in attendance.

In January 1999, an earthquake that measures 6.0 on the Richter scale hits Colombia killing over 1,000 people.

King Hussein of Jordan, 63, dies on February 7, 1999, of lymphatic cancer. Hussein's 47-year reign made him the Middle East's longest-serving leader.

# National News



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➤ Convicted killer Martin Gurule escapes death row and is later found drowned in a nearby river. Gurule is the first Texas inmate to escape death row since 1934.



AP Photo/CNN

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➤ President Clinton becomes the second president in history to be impeached. The House of Representatives charges him with two counts of obstruction of justice and perjury. The Senate acquits Clinton after a five-week trial.



AP Photo/Ed Bailey

➤ A massive Millennium Clock in New York City's garment district counts down the days, hours, minutes and seconds to the year 2000.



➤ The U.S. Treasury unveils a new \$20 bill designed to be much harder to counterfeit and more capable of withstanding heavy abuse.



AP Photo/FILE, Dan Loh

➤ President Clinton declares the entire state of Florida a disaster area after fires burn over 300,000 acres and damage or destroy 150,000 homes.



AP Photo/Victor R. Cavano

➤ Sixteen of the 24 glass beads that historians believe were used to buy Manhattan Island from Native Indians in 1626 are donated to the Indian Museum of North America located at the Crazy Horse Memorial.



AP Photo/Crazy Horse Memorial, Robb DeWald, File



AP Photo/Brett Cooper

➤ In June, African-American James Byrd Jr., 49, is chained to the back of a truck and dragged to his death in Jasper, Texas, by three men, two of whom have ties to white supremacists.



AP Photo/Charles Bennett

# National News

➤ Mentally unstable Russell Eugene Weston Jr. charges into the U.S. Capitol building on July 24 and fatally shoots Special Agent John Gibson and Officer Jacob Chestnut.



AP Photo/Gary Cameron, Pool

➤ A Titanic exhibit tours the U.S. featuring over 200 artifacts and displays chronicling the fateful ship's maiden voyage and tragic sinking.



Reuters/Jim Bourg/Archive Photos

➤ Northwest Airlines pilots strike for 17 days in August and September causing more than 27,000 canceled flights and a loss of \$338 million.



AP Photo/Jim Mone

➤ Reform Party candidate Jesse Ventura shocks the nation when he wins the race for governor of Minnesota in November. Ventura is a former Navy Seal, pro wrestler and action movie actor.



AP Photo/Jim Mone

➤ In response to family pressure, DNA testing confirms that remains buried in the Tomb of the Unknowns are those of Michael J. Blassie, an Air Force pilot shot down in Vietnam.



AP Photo/Ruth Fremson



AP Photo/LM Orero

➤ In summer 1998, North Texas temperatures exceed 100 degrees for 45 days. The state's heat death toll climbs to 132 and fires burn over 344,000 acres.

## Flash

In August, General Motors Corporation and United Auto Workers reach an agreement that ends an eight-week strike.

President Clinton announces the federal government ends the 1998 fiscal year with a budget surplus of \$70 billion, the first surplus since 1969.

More than 280 colleges now admit some or all of their applicants without regard to SAT or ACT scores. Many schools say the system improves the academic quality and diversity of their student bodies.

DNA tests determine that Rebecca Chittum was unknowingly switched with Callie Conley at a Virginia hospital after their births three years ago. This case prompts a national debate on the need for stricter hospital procedures.

➤ In September, Hurricane Georges crashes through the Florida Keys and Mississippi. The killer storm causes the largest mandatory evacuation in Florida history, and Mississippi victims receive over \$131 million in aid.



AP Photo/Dave Martin

➤ Matthew Shepard, a 21-year-old gay student at the University of Wyoming, dies five days after being brutally attacked in an apparent hate crime. Vigils in his memory are held across the country.



AP Photo/Suzanne Plunkett

# Science News



NASA

➤ An analysis of Eastern Seaboard weather shows it really does rain more frequently on weekends than during the week, an average of 22 percent more. Automobile emission patterns are the suspected cause of the phenomenon.

➤ NASA's Lunar Prospector finds scattered pockets of ice beneath the lunar surface. The presence of water could enable astronauts to use the moon as a kind of space-based filling station.



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➤ Apple's translucent aqua-blue iMac personal computer, its first consumer offering in years, is marketed mainly for Internet usage and, therefore, doesn't come with a disk drive. Its popularity soars and it soon becomes available in several other colors.

➤ The comet Tempel-Tuttle causes a meteor storm when it passes by Earth. The comet will be visible again in fall 1999, after which it won't reappear for another 32 years.



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➤ A computerized T-shirt, woven with fiber optics and electrically conducted thread, may soon monitor the health of soldiers, rescuers, the elderly and others who are medically vulnerable.



Michael A. Schwarz



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➤ Columbia University graduate student Elizabeth Brannon and psychology professor Herbert Terrace demonstrate that monkeys can master simple arithmetic on at least the level of a two-year-old child.



AP Photo/David J. Phillip

➤ John Glenn, 77, becomes the oldest astronaut when he undertakes a space shuttle mission in October, 36 years after his first space flight. Later, Glenn retires from a 24-year career in the U.S. Senate.



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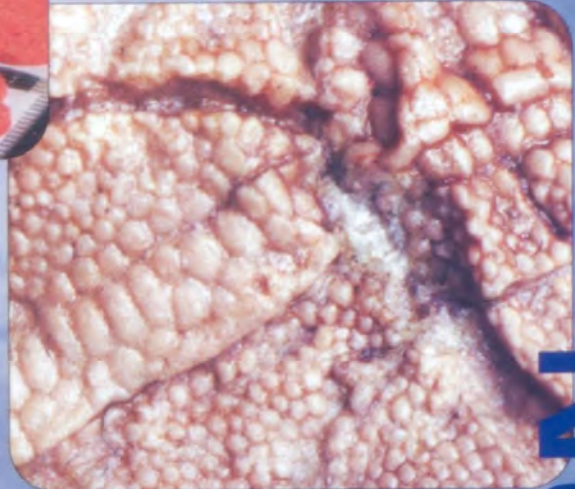
➤ A study demonstrates that the more hours people spend on the Internet, the more depressed, stressed and lonely they feel.

➤ The USDA announces that a 25-millisecond blast of 270-degree steam applied to meat kills 99.99 percent of the bacteria. This process follows the unpopular method of irradiation.



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➤ Paleontologists in Argentina discover thousands of shards of fossilized dinosaur eggs. Several shards contain the fossilized remains of unhatched embryos and their never-before-seen embryo skin.



AP Photo/American Museum of Natural History, L. Meeker



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➤ Chemistry professor Claude Yoder co-authors "Interactive Chemistry," a CD-ROM that uses animation to lead students through chemistry problems, eliminating the need for a textbook.

Photo courtesy of the authors (C. Yoder, O. Retterer, M. Thomsen and K. Hess)

➤ The FDA withholds medical approval of St. John's Wort, the popular herbal supplement widely believed to relieve depression. However, American consumer demand has led to its use in everything from lipstick to potato chips.



Duffin McGee/Reuters



Purdue University

➤ Researchers discover a gene that may cause the aggressive behavior of "killer bees." This knowledge may help tame African bees, whose sting has deterred beekeepers from tending hives.



AP Photo/NASA

➤ Alan Shepard, the first American in space, dies on July 22 at the age of 74.

## Flash

Astronomers discover and photograph a planet outside our solar system that is about 450 light years away from Earth.

Alabama hairdresser Philip McCory discovers that human hair soaks up oil from water, which prompts NASA to investigate ways to use human hair to clean oil spills.

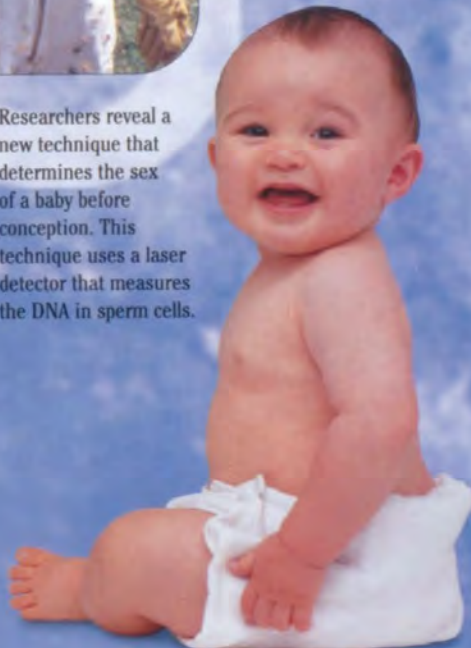
In August, renowned Houston heart surgeon Dr. Denton Cooley performs open-heart surgery which is broadcast live on the America's Health Network Internet web site.

David Scott, who lost his left hand in a fireworks accident, receives the first U.S. human hand transplant in January 1999. Scott has regained limited motion in his donor hand.



➤ On August 12, the \$1 billion Titan 4 rocket explodes 42 seconds after liftoff. The rocket payload included a highly classified Defense Department satellite.

➤ Researchers reveal a new technique that determines the sex of a baby before conception. This technique uses a laser detector that measures the DNA in sperm cells.



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# Lifestyle News



◀ A *USA Today* investigation reveals that many of the nation's safe drinking water regulations are not being enforced. The report reveals that even the worst violations have just a 1 in 10 chance of drawing legal action.



◀ Lovegety, a palm-sized matchmaking device, is the latest craze with Japanese teenagers. When it comes within 15 feet of another Lovegety, high-pitched beepers go off, lights flash, and the "love detectors" display whether the users' preset interests match. It's now available in the U.S.

AP Photo/Koji Sasahara



▶ PlayStation's "Crash Bandicoot: WARPED" supersedes its popular predecessors. Also new is Crash's sister Coco who gallops along the Great Wall of China and cruises through enemy-infested waters.



◀ Furby, the year's must-have interactive toy, has a vocabulary of 200 words in both English and its own language, "Furbish." Furby knows when it is being petted, when the lights go out, when music starts, and if there's another Furby in the room.

AP Photo/Ed Bailey



▶ Appearing in malls in 33 states, job kiosks dispense employment opportunities for interested applicants. Job seekers enter their skills and ambitions and the machine scans its database for a match.

Kurt Duncan

◀ WildEyes contact lenses feature several designs, including a starburst, black eight ball and cat's eyes. The \$165 lenses come in prescription and non-prescription and don't interfere with eyesight.



AP Photo/Charles Dharapak



▶ Consumer groups demand the recall of Olestra from the market, or at least the adoption of strict guidelines as to its use, after thousands of people become sick from eating the popular fat substitute. However, studies suggest that chips made with Olestra do not cause greater stomach problems than regular chips.

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▶ In December, Selective Service activates online registration. Eighteen-year-olds can now register instantly instead of filling out forms at the post office that take two to three months to process.

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# Lifestyle News

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As the need for toll-free numbers greatly increases, the 887 prefix joins the 800 and 888 prefixes already in use.

A sleek, redesigned version of the '60s Volkswagen Beetle enters the market. Despite a May 1998 recall for wiring problems, the New Beetle is wildly popular.



AP Photo/IIHS

Butterflies and dragonflies are the hot motif in the fashion world appearing on everything from clothes and bags to hair accessories and jewelry.



For \$20-30 a day, trained professionals at dog and cat day cares will play with, read to, feed and pamper pets in their care.



Cargo pants invade stores and become the must-have piece of apparel for teens across the nation.



AP Photo/Susan Ragan



Photo courtesy of Mr. Payroll Corporation

Mr. Payroll is the first ATM that can cash a check – even for someone without a bank account. The machine “memorizes” facial features and matches them with a social security number to verify the user’s identity.

## Flash

In hopes of reducing the divorce rate, the Florida legislature passes the nation’s first law requiring that high school students be taught marital and relationship skills.

In the wake of grim automobile accident statistics, California is one of several states to pass stricter teenage licensing laws.

Spurred by fierce competition, colleges and universities are going online to offer students a new way to get an education. Florida State and New York University are a few jumping on board.

The average home Internet user spends 25 hours a year waiting for web pages to load.

Pilates, a low-impact form of exercise that uses unique equipment and deep stretching techniques, becomes popular with men and women.



Rollerblade introduces durable, all-terrain in-line skates that can traverse dirt paths and rocky trails. The large-wheeled skates retail for a cool \$600.

# Entertainment News



AP Photo/NBC, Jeff Katz

◀ Heartthrob George Clooney announces 1998-99 will be his last season on NBC's award-winning television drama, "ER."



AP Photo/Reed Saxon

▶ NBC's "Frasier" makes history by winning its fifth consecutive outstanding comedy series award at the 50th annual Emmy Awards. Kelsey Grammer, in the title role, wins his third Emmy as best comedy actor.



Photo International/Archive Photos

▶ In November, ABC's "Spin City" star Michael J. Fox, 37, reveals he has Parkinson's disease. Fox underwent brain surgery in March 1998 in an attempt to relieve severe tremors.



Radica Games

◀ Trail Burner, a hand-held mountain bike racing game, uses motion sensors to turn corners and jump hills and water pits. Crashes make the handlebars vibrate.



AP Photo/Touchstone Pictures, HO

▶ Adam Sandler stars in the surprise hit *The Waterboy*, which earns a record \$39.1 million in its November opening weekend.



AP Photo/David James, HO

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▶ Britain's best Scrabble players commemorate the popular board game's 50th anniversary in October by playing in London's Wembley Stadium using letter tiles the size of dining tables.



AP Photo/Joan C. Fahrenthold



◀ Karl Malone and Dennis Rodman face off in a World Championship Wrestling tag-team match. The event pits Rodman and Hollywood Hulk Hogan against Malone and Diamond Dallas Page.

# Entertainment News

Walt Disney's *A Bug's Life* is one of at least 15 animated feature films that will flood the nation's theaters in the next two years.



AP Photo/Walt Disney, HO

In May 1998, the much-anticipated movie *Godzilla* opens to disappointing reviews and box office numbers. The epic leaves theaters quickly.



AP Photo/Courtesy Viewpoint Datalabs



In June, Keiko arrives in his native Iceland to begin his assimilation to his new surroundings. The move concludes a four-year campaign to release the five-ton star of the movie *Free Willy*.

Players of Vertical Reality, a combination video game and amusement ride, shoot at moving targets on a 24-foot-tall screen and sit in chairs that rise with each successful hit. The winner rides to the top for a grand view.



GameWorks



Dorothy Low/Shooting Star

The wildly popular stars of The WB network's "Dawson's Creek" hit the big screen, filming eight feature films during hiatus. Magazine covers by *TV Guide*, *Seventeen* and *Interview* fuel the craze.



AP Photo/WB, James Sorenson

The coming-of-age drama "Felicity" quickly gains popularity with teens. The WB show revolves around a young woman and her new experiences at college.

## Flash

Megastars Bruce Willis and Demi Moore announce their separation in June after almost 11 years of marriage.

The American Film Institute rates the top 100 movies of the 20th century. The top ten include:

- Citizen Kane*, 1941
- Casablanca*, 1942
- The Godfather*, 1972
- Gone With the Wind*, 1939
- Lawrence of Arabia*, 1962
- The Wizard of Oz*, 1939
- The Graduate*, 1967
- On the Waterfront*, 1954
- Schindler's List*, 1993
- Singin' in the Rain*, 1952

Fans flock to theaters to see the two-minute trailer for *Star Wars: Episode I - The Phantom Menace* and many leave without staying to watch the main attraction. The prequel to the wildly popular *Star Wars* trilogy opens in May 1999.

¡Yo Quiero Taco Bell!

Taco Bell's talking Chihuahua becomes a favorite teen advertising icon and sparks a surge of interest in the breed.



AP Photo/Taco Bell, HO



Corbis/Mitchell Dealer

Actor Rick Schroder replaces Jimmy Smits on ABC's "NYPD Blue." The fate of Smits' character in his last episode — he dies when a heart transplant fails — became a source of nationwide speculation.

# Music News



CROP/Shooting Star

◆ Singer and actor Frank Sinatra dies at the age of 82 on May 14, 1998.



AP Photo/Rick Hawner

◆ Thanks in part to their 42-city tour, The Backstreet Boys' self-titled album sells nine million copies making it the third best-selling album of the year.



◆ Alanis Morissette's new album, *Supposed Former Infatuation Junkie*, is released in November and vaults to No. 1. The album sells 469,000 copies in the first week.



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◆ In January 1999, the group 'N Sync wins Favorite New Pop/Rock Artist at the American Music Awards.

◆ The Dixie Chicks' *Wide Open Spaces* is the fastest-selling debut album by a country music group. The group wins the Vocal Group of the Year award from the Country Music Association.



AP Photo/Michael S. Green

◆ Nineteen-year-old Usher is named *Billboard* Music Awards' Artist of the Year and R&B Artist of the Year. Touring with Janet Jackson and making television and movie appearances has heightened Usher's popularity.



AP Photo/Joey Terrill



◆ Sharp and Sony introduce portable MiniDisc recorders. This digital alternative to audiocassettes records customized music compilations and doesn't skip when bumped.



AP Photo/Mouillon/Shooting Star

◆ Spice Girl Geri Halliwell, better known as Ginger Spice, announces in May 1998 that she is leaving the popular group for creative reasons.

# MUSIC NEWS

➤ Swing dancing makes a big comeback with the help of music from bands like Cherry Poppin' Daddies (shown) and the Brian Setzer Orchestra.



AP Photo/File

➤ Jewel scores on two fronts. Her book of poetry, *A Night Without Armor*, makes the New York Times best-seller list, and her album, *Spirit*, is released in November.



➤ Shania Twain wins the Favorite Female Country Artist award at the American Music Awards and receives six Grammy nominations.



AP Photo/Michael Okuniewski

➤ Natalie Imbruglia wins Breakthrough Artist honors at the MTV Video Music Awards in September. Her album, *Left of the Middle*, features hits "Torn" and "Wishing I Was There."



Reuters/Steve Marcus/Archive Photos

➤ The popularity of Lauryn Hill's album *The Miseducation of Lauryn Hill* leads to 10 Grammy nominations, the most for any female artist in history. Hill kicks off a worldwide tour in January 1999.



Reuters/Steve Marcus/Archive Photos



AP Photo/The Hamilton Spectator, Scott Gardner

➤ Aerosmith's "I Don't Want to Miss a Thing," from the movie *Armageddon*, becomes the group's first single to hit No. 1 on the *Billboard* Hot 100 charts.

➤ Monica is the only artist in 1998 with two No. 1 hits on the *Billboard* Hot 100, including "The First Night" and "The Boy Is Mine," a duet she sings with Brandy.



ROBEN PHESS/SCHODDING STAR

➤ In November, Garth Brooks' new album *Double Live* enjoys first-day sales of over 500,000 copies, the industry's best one-day tally. Brooks makes special TV and Wal-Mart closed-circuit TV appearances to promote the release.



AP Photo/GB Management, Jenny Yates

## Flash

Psychologists discover a connection between musical training and verbal memory. Children trained to play a musical instrument grow up to have 16 percent better word memory than other adults.

Movie soundtracks account for nearly half of the Gold and Platinum certification. Some of the top soundtracks include *Titanic* and *Return to Titanic*, *City of Angels*, *Armageddon*, *Hope Floats*, *Dr. Doolittle* and *The Wedding Singer*.

Whitney Houston's *My Love Is Your Love* is her first studio album in eight years. The album includes the hit duet with Mariah Carey entitled "When You Believe."

Actor/rapper Will Smith wins three American Music Awards, including Favorite Pop/Rock Album, Favorite Soul/R&B Album and Favorite Soul/R&B Male Artist.

# Sports News

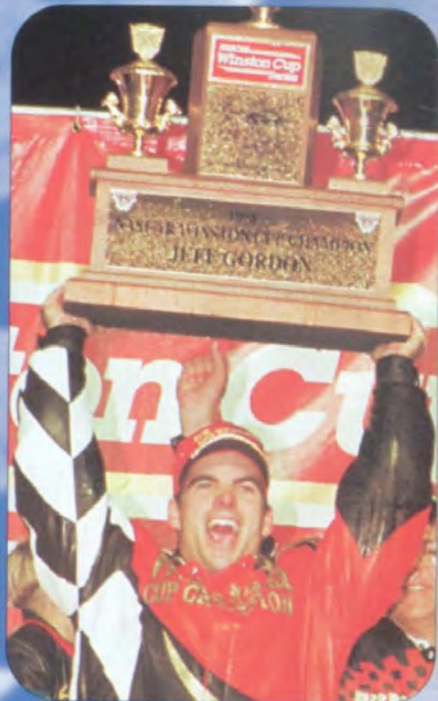


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◀ Sang Lan, China's 17-year-old gymnastics champion, breaks two vertebrae during a vault at the Goodwill Games in July, leaving her paralyzed from the chest down.



▶ Skiboards, short skis with twin tips that allow forward and backward jumping, debut in competition at the 1998 ESPN Winter X Games.



AP Photo/Pic Field

▶ Jeff Gordon wins the NASCAR Winston Cup for a second year in a row. Gordon, 27, is the youngest driver to win three Winston Cup championships.



◀ In March 1998, ESPN launches a large-format sports magazine, *ESPN The Magazine*, to compete with *Sports Illustrated*.

▶ ABC's Lesley Visser becomes the first woman to report from the sidelines during "Monday Night Football," the 1998 Super Bowl, the NCAA Final Four and NFL playoff games.



Edo Mae Astutis/ABC

▶ On January 4, 1999, Tennessee beats Florida State University 23-16 at the Fiesta Bowl in Arizona to win the national championship. It is the first year of the Bowl Championship Series, created to ensure that the highest ranked college teams nationally meet in a bowl game.



AP Photo/Dave Martin

▶ Defending champion Detroit Red Wings win the 1998 Stanley Cup championship, beating the Washington Capitals 4-1. Defenseman Vladimir Konstantinov, severely injured in a car accident after last year's Stanley Cup win, joins the celebration.



AP Photo/Susan A. Walsh



AP Photo/Eric Rieberg

▶ Flamboyant sprinter Florence Griffith Joyner (FloJo), triple gold medalist at the 1988 Olympics, dies at age 38 in her sleep, of suffocation during an epileptic seizure.

# Sports News

➤ In a 4-0 sweep against the San Diego Padres, the New York Yankees win the 1998 World Series to claim their 24th championship. The Yankees' 125 total victories is a modern baseball record.



AP Photo/Lenny Ignelzi

➤ In July, France beats Brazil 3-0 to win its first World Cup soccer title. During celebrations, a motorist drives through the crowd on the Champs-Élysées and injures 60 people.



AP Photo/Rick Bowmer



➤ Lindsay Davenport, 22, defeats Martina Hingis in the U.S. Open in September and becomes the No. 1-ranked player in the world.

AP Photo/John Gaps III

AP Photo/Rusty Kennedy



➤ Olympic gymnast Dominique Moceanu is declared a legal adult after suing her parents, alleging they squandered her earnings and oppressed her for years. Later, Moceanu is granted a protective order against her father for stalking her.

Mike Powell/Allsport



➤ St. Louis Cardinal Mark McGwire hits home run number 62 on September 8, breaking the record set by Roger Maris in 1961. McGwire ends the season with 70 home runs.

Scott Olson/Reuters



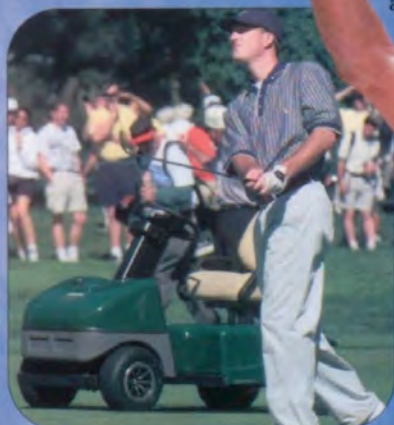
➤ On September 13, Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs also breaks Roger Maris' record with his single-season 62nd home run. Sosa ends the season with 66 home runs.



AP Photo/Eric Draper

➤ The defending champion Denver Broncos meet the upstart Atlanta Falcons at Super Bowl XXXIII in Miami. The Broncos win 34-19.

➤ Golfer Casey Martin, who suffers from a circulatory disorder in his right leg, wins a lawsuit allowing him to use a cart during PGA and Nike golf tournaments.



AP Photo/Eric Risberg

➤ The Chicago Bulls capture their sixth NBA championship by beating the Utah Jazz 87-86 in game six. Michael Jordan earns the Finals MVP award. In January 1999, Jordan announces his retirement from the NBA after 13 seasons.

AP Photo/Mark J. Terrill



## Flash

On September 20, Cal Ripken Jr. ends his 16-year streak of 2,632 consecutive baseball games played by withdrawing himself from the Baltimore lineup for that night.

NBA owners impose a lockout on July 1 that causes almost half the '98-'99 basketball season to be lost. The labor dispute is settled on January 6.

Tennis star Pete Sampras wins his fifth Wimbledon title and remains the world's No. 1 player for a record sixth straight year, breaking Jimmy Connors' mark for consecutive seasons on top.

The NFL season is plagued with controversial and incorrect calls. Instant replay is not reinstated, but coin toss procedures are implemented.

# Faces News

AP Photo/Charles Rex Abogast, File



◀ Miss Virginia Nicole Johnson is crowned Miss America 1999 in Atlantic City. The 24-year-old diabetic wears an insulin pump on her hip and plans to spotlight diabetes awareness during her reign.



Karl Gehring/Denver Post

▶ Seventeen-year-old Katie Hnida is named Chatfield Senior High School's Homecoming Queen as well as starting kicker for the varsity football team. The No. 1-ranked kicker in the state of Colorado, Hnida hopes to play Division I college football next year.



AP Photo

▶ Fifty-six-year-old Linda McCartney, photographer, animal rights activist and wife of famed Beatle Paul, dies of breast cancer on April 17, 1998.



Emilie Sommer/Cape Cod Times

◀ After dropping out of the third grade in 1902 to care for her 11 younger siblings, retired nanny and housekeeper Eugenie Garside finally receives her high school diploma at age 98.



◀ NBC's "News Radio" star and former "Saturday Night Live" cast member Phil Hartman dies from a gunshot wound inflicted by his wife in May 1998.

AP Photo/Deb Halberstadt



▶ Beloved puppeteer Shari Lewis dies of cancer on August 2. Her creations include her trademark Lamb Chop, Hush Puppy and Charlie Horse.

## Flash

Canadian Tobin Belanger escorts a mannequin to his high school prom. He names her Jen, picks out her dress and corsage and arrives in a limousine.

Minnesotan David Weinlick "advertises" for a wife and chooses pharmacy student Elizabeth Runze from 23 hopefuls who travel to the Mall of America in Minneapolis for the event. Runze and Weinlick marry the same day.



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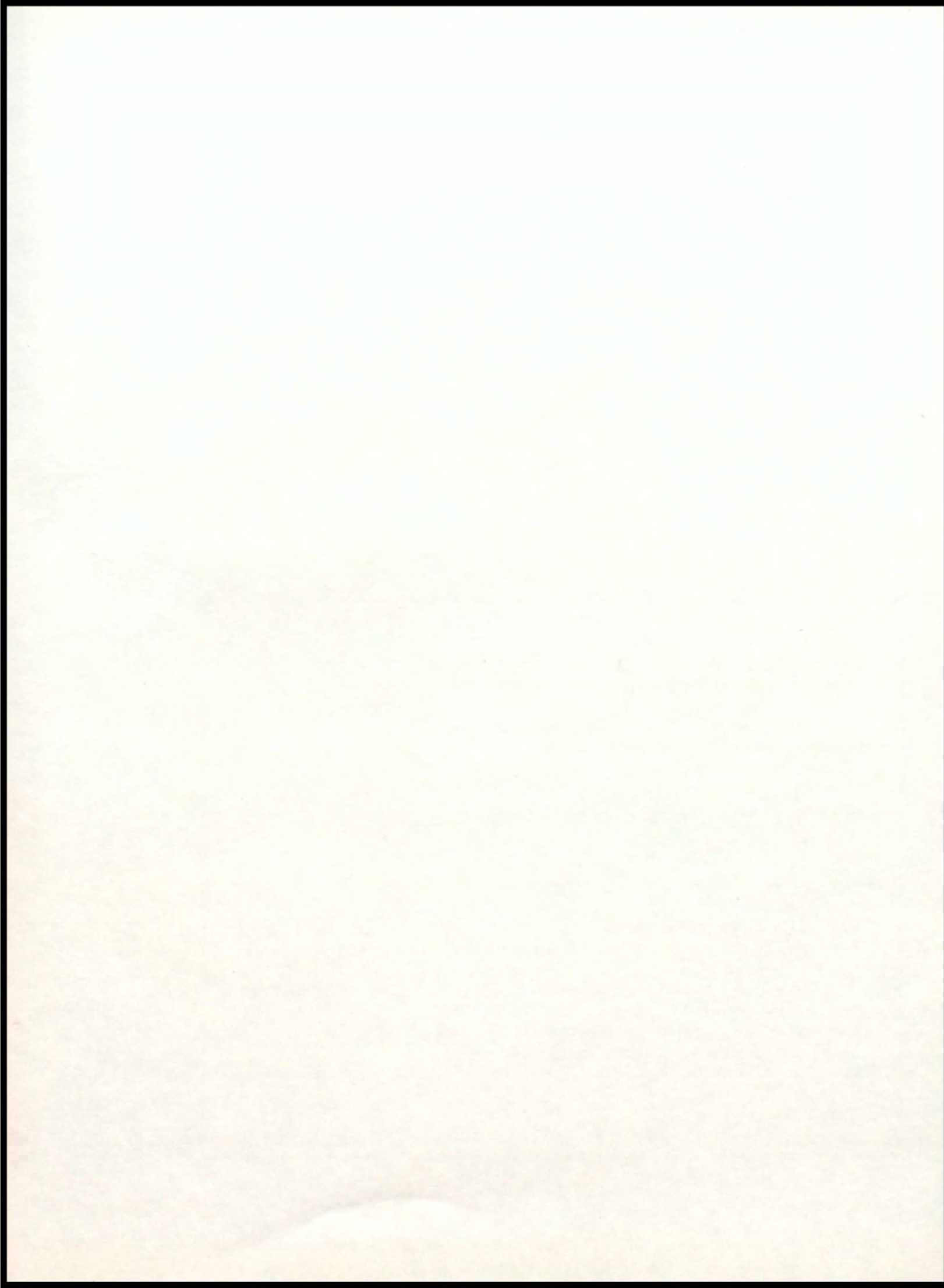


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