

SO

MUCH

TO

SAY

The Class of '01



A variety of interests and personalities makes up the class of '01. Above, the seniors pose with items that reflect their own interests. Because of the differences, it gives them "So Much to Say."

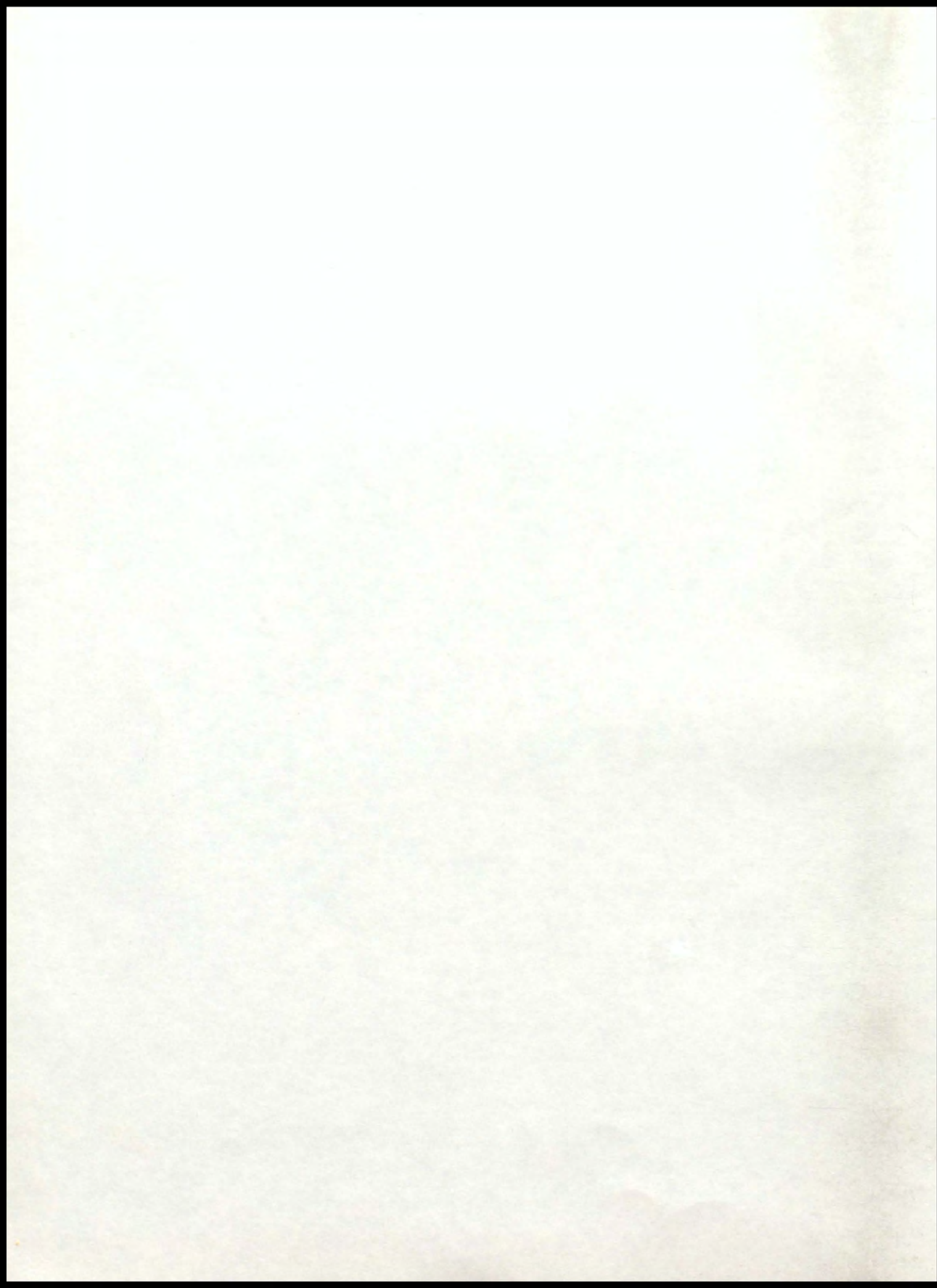
of 2001

has so much to say...



Photo by Donna Parish

Standing: Julianne Blevins, Michael Stonebarger, Chad Simpson, Jon Edie, Kyle Olson, Shayne Evans;
Sitting: Treka Moehle, Ashley Webb, Nick Cluck, Jana Collins, Casey Vaught, Liz Carwell, Samantha
Collins, Andrew Gilfillan, Jill Merkel, Kristin McCauley, Erinn Groeltz, Jennifer Davis, Mike Jones, Jason
Nolte, Aaron Twombly. Not Pictured Amy Keller.





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The Bluestreak

2001

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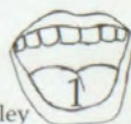
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Take an exciting look into this yearbook, "So Much to Say," to see the views and opinions of the students, faculty, and staff. Go "behind the scenes" to see what really happens in planning, practicing, preparing, and cleaning up the aftermath of the many activities, programs, athletic events, and normal day-to-day life in the classroom.



*Vocalization is a key form of expression.
Although we choose to express ourselves
differently, we all have
'So Much to Say.'*

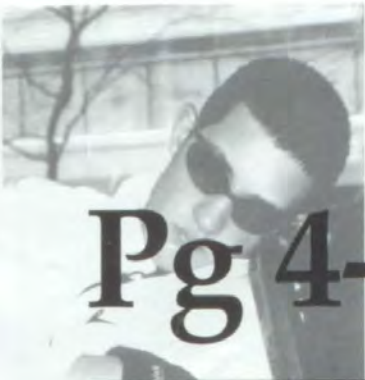


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Coming Together

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Coming to conclusions. Coming to conclusions.

The School Board had much to talk about this year, from cheerleaders' uniforms to consolidation. After many hours of discussing and compromising, the board always came up with a solution or an answer to the concern. One of the major concerns, according to Superintendent Pat McAfee, the board had to discuss was "stretching the budget without cutting the programs."



Cheryl Rasmussen, suggesting new ways to fit the new uniforms into the budget, tries to see both sides to make an appropriate decision. Photo by Kyle Olson.



One of the very few times students confronted the school board, the football cheerleaders came to this board meeting and protested, trying to persuade the school that new uniforms were necessary. Photo by Kyle Olson.

Pat McAfee, Conrad Clary, and Angie Cluck sit and discuss the expanding of the kindergarten school day, starting in March 2001. Photo by Treka Moehle.





Cheryl Rasmussen, suggesting new ideas, discusses the need for new uniforms for the football cheerleaders. Photo by Kyle Olson.

Mike Blevins and Bill Hargis sit and relax as they enjoy the National Honor Society initiation ceremony. According to Blevins, one of the most important decisions made during the year was "sharing superintendent and curriculum with USD 433, Midway."



The school board members work hard all year to get things said and done. These people are Dick Tracy, Brad Gilmore, Bill Hargis, Angie Cluck, Mike Blevins, president; and Sally Waggoner. Not pictured, Paul Tyler. With the year running fairly smoothly, according to Blevins, "the USD 425 board, superintendent, principals, certified staff, and classified have worked very hard and are always working for the best of our students." Photo by Treka Moehle.



One of Principal Rasmussen's major goals is to lead the school towards its Quality Performance Accreditation. With Midway and Highland being very understanding, Pat McAfee is able to work with both the school boards to keep both schools good places to learn. Photo by Treka Moehle.

Rasmussen's fine tuning of the high school schedule to provide for ABAB block scheduling has made for much happier faculty. Pat McAfee, providing information before the meeting, likes to conduct business as quick as possible during the board meetings. Photo by Kyle Olson.



Julianne Marie Blevins

Class Offices:

Treasurer-10
Stuco: 9& 12
Journalism: 11-12
 3rd feature writing at Regionals
 HM feature writing at State,
 2nd cutline writing at Regionals
 HM feature writing at Regionals
Basketball: 9-12
Volleyball: 9-12
 All-County Volleyball 11-12
Track: 9-11
 4x200 and 4x400 state participant
 10
FFA: 9-12
 State Degree 11
 Chapter Secretary 11-12
Swing Choir: 9-12
 I at State 9
Musical: 9-12
NHS: 10-12



Reporter 12
Queen of Courts: 12
Cheerleading: 9-11
Special Awards:
 Senior Sportsmanship Award
 Dale Dennis Excellence in Education Award/ All Around Student 12
 Honor Cord



Jana Leah Collins

Stuco: 9-12
 President-Elect 11
 President 12
 Class Representative 9-11
Basketball: 9-12
 1st All-League 10-12
 2nd All-County 10
 1st All-County 11-12
 All-State Honorable Mention (Topeka, Witchita, Kansas Sport Magazine) 11-12;
Volleyball: 9-12
 1st All-County 10-12
 1st All-League 11-12
 All-State HM (Kansas State Magazine);
Track 9-12
 6th in 200m dash at State 10
 2nd in 200m dash at State 11
 5th in 100m dash at State 11;
 2nd in 400m dash at State 12;
 4th in 200m dash at State 12;
 5th in 100m dash at State 12;
Cross Country 11-12
 1st as a team in Regionals
 DVL and Regional Participant 12
FFA: 9-12
Swing Choir: 9-12
 I at State 9
 I at State -Solo 11, 12

Elizabeth Kay Carwell

Track: 11-12
Choir: 9-12
Band: 9-10
Musical: 9-12

Band: 9
Musical: 9-12
 Lead Role 10-12
 Best Supporting Actress 10-11
 Best Musical Leadership 11
 Best Actress 12
 Best All Around Vocalist 12
 Best Leadership 12
NHS: 10-12
Special Awards:
 King and Queen of Courts Candidate 12



Wendy's Heisman Nominee 11
 US Marine Corp Scholar Athlete 11
 US Army Reserve Scholar Athlete 11
 Halloween Queen Candidate 12
 Senior Scholar Athlete Award 12
 Valedictorian; Honor Cord



Nicholas Wayne Cluck

FFA: 9-12
 Star Greenhand 9
Choir: 9
Musical: 9
Special Awards:
 Wild life management Northeast District and Chapter Awards 11
 Vocational Pin

Samantha Marie Collins

Basketball: 9-11
Volleyball: 9-12
Swing Choir: 9-12
 I at State 9
Musical: 9-12
NHS: 10-12
 Vice President 12
Special Awards:
 King and Queen of Courts candidate 12
 Honor Cord



Jennifer Marie Davis

FFA: 9-12
Choir: 9
Musical: 9
NHS: 10-12
 Treasurer 12
Special Awards:
 I DARE YOU Award 11
 Computer Production -CEO 11-12
 Vocational Pin



Jonathan Wayne Edie

FFA: 11-12
 Art: 9-11
 Progressive Club blue 11,12
 2nd District 12
 2 HM District 12
 Band: 9-12



Shayne Kurtis Evans

FFA: 11-12
 Art: 11

Erinn Jeanne'- Alexandra Groeltz

Class Offices:
 Class Treasurer 9
Journalism: 11-12
 Honorable Mention Newspaper
 Design 11
 Newspaper Editor 12
 1st Editorial Writing 12
 2nd News Writing 12
 3rd Newspaper Design 12
Track: 9-11
Cross Country: 9-12
 2nd team All-County 9-10
 State Cross Country 10-11
 1st team All-County 11
 2nd team All-League 11
 Regional Champs 11

FFA: 9-12
 Greenhand 9
 Scholarship Achievement
 Award 11
Choir: 9-10
Musical: 9-10
 Choreographer 11-12
NHS: 10-12
 President 12
Special Awards:
 Homecoming Candidate 12
 Kansas Honors Scholar 12
 Governor's Scholar 12
 Missouri Western State College
 Dance Company 10-12
 Valedictorian; Honor Cord

Andrew Russell Gilfillan

Class Offices:
 Class President 12
Stuco: 10-12
Journalism: 11
Football: 9-12
Track: 9-12
Choir: 9,10,& 12
Band: 9
Musical: 9,10,& 12
NHS: 10-12
Quiz Bowl: 9-12
 High Q Sweet 16 1A 11
Special Awards:
 Homecoming King 12
 Art Award 10



Michael Francis Jones

Class Offices:
 Class Secretary 12
Football: 9-12
Basketball: 9-12
Track: 9-12
FFA: 9-12
Choir: 9-12
Swing Choir: 9-12
 I at State 9
Musical: 9-12
 Best Supporting Actor (Lion in
 Wizard of Oz) 11
 Leading role (Jeff in Leader of
 the Pack) 12
 Best Supporting Actor (Jeff
 Barry in Leader of the Pack) 12
NHS: 11-12
 Parliamentarian 12
Quiz Bowl: 9-12
 High Q 11
 Stuco Representative 12



Amy Marie Keller

Cross Country: 10-12
Track: 9
Football: Manager 10
FFA: 9-12
 Barnwarming Candidate-11
 Student Advisor-12
Choir: 9
Musical: 9
Special Awards:
 Homecoming Candidate-12
 King & Queen of Courts
 Candidate-12
 Vocational Pin

Kristin Marie McCauley

Stuco: 12
 Secretary 12
 Class Offices: 9-10
 Secretary 9-10
 Journalism: 11-12
 H M Newspaper Photogra
 phy Regionals 11
 2nd Feature Writing
 Regionals 11
 3rd Newspaper Photography
 State 11
 3rd Feature Writing State 11,
 HM News Writing Regionals
 12
 3rd Feature Writing
 Regionals 12
 Co-Yearbook Editor 12
 Basketball: 9-12
 Varsity Letter 10-12
 Co-Captain 12
 Volleyball: 9-12
 Varsity Letter 11-12
 Co-Captain 12



Track manager: 9
 FFA: 9-12
 Star Greenhand 9
 Treasurer 10-11
 State Degree 11
 Vice President 12
 Choir: 9
 Musical: 9
 NHS: 10-12
 Secretary 12
 Special Awards:
 Honor Cord



Jill Lynn Merkel

Stuco: 11
 Class Offices:
 Vice President 9-10
 President 11
 Basketball: 9-12
 Varsity Letter 10-12
 Co-Captain 12
 Volleyball: 9-12
 Varsity Letter 10-12
 All-County team 11-12
 Highland Invitational All-
 Tournament team 12
 2nd team All-League 12
 Co-Captain 12
 Track: 9
 FFA: 9-12
 Star Greenhand 9
 Reporter 10
 Vice President 11
 State Degree 11
 President 12
 Choir: 9



Kyle Wayne Olson

Class Office:
 Class Vice President 9
 Class Treasurer 11-12
 Journalism: 11-12
 Business manager 12
 1st yearbook photography -
 Regionals 12
 Football manager: 9-10
 Basketball: 9
 Manager 10
 Track: 9-10
 Cross Country: 9-12
 All County 11-12
 FFA: 9-12
 Treasurer 12
 Master Treasurer District 12
 Landscape Entrepreneurship
 Award 12
 Choir: 9-12
 Musical: 9-12
 Swing Choir: 9-12

Treka Jo Moehle

Journalism: 12
 1st in Advertising Regionals
 2nd Yearbook Theme
 Development 12
 HM Editorial Cartoon
 Regionals and State 12
 Art: 9-12,
 1st in Federated Women's Club
 for ceramics 11

I at State 9
 Band: 9-10
 Special Awards:
 King and Queen of Courts
 Candidate 12
 Computer Productions Produc
 tion Manager 12



Jason Lee Nolte

Class Offices:
 Vice President 11-12
 Football: 9-12
 Basketball: 9 & 12
 FFA: 9-12
 Choir: 9, 11-12
 Musical: 9,11-12
 Special Awards:
 Homecoming Candidate 12
 King and Queen of Courts
 Candidate 12
 DVL Art Medal 10

**Class Colors:
 Navy & Silver**



Chad Edward Simpson

Stuco: 10-12
 Class Offices: 11-12
 Football: 9-10, 12
 All-State Quarterback 12
 All-State Defensive Back 12
 Basketball: 9-12
 All-League 11
 All-County
 McLouth Tournament All First
 Team 12
 FFA: 11-12
 Choir: 9-11
 Special Awards:
 Homecoming Candidate 12
 King and Queen of Courts Can
 didate 12
 Art: 9-10



**Michael James
Stonebarger**

Football: 9-10 & 12
Basketball: 9
Choir: 9-11
Swing Choir: 9-11
Musical: 9-11



**Aaron
Michael
Twombly**

Stuco:12
Class Offices:
Class Representative 12
Journalism: 11-12
3rd Infographics Regionals 10
HM Infographics State 10
2nd Infographics Regionals,
11
1st Infographics Regionals
and state,12
1st Yearbook Sports Writing,
12
Basketball manager: 11
Choir: 9-10
Swing Choir Techie: 11-12
Musical: 9-12
Backstage 9-10
Backstage Manager 11-12
NHS 10-12
Special Awards:
King of Courts 12
Math/Science Excellence 12
Senior Citizenship Award
Honor Cord

**Ashley Marie
Webb**

Stuco: 9-12
Secretary 11
Treasurer 12
Class Offices:
President 9-10
Secrrtary 11
Journalism: 11-12
3rd Editing Regionals 11
Honorable Mention Photogra
phy Regionals 11
Yearbook Co-Editor 12
Honorable Mention Editing
Regionals 12
Honorable Mention Editorial
Writing Regionals 12
Basketball: 9-12
Varsity Letter 10-12
Co-Captain 12
Cheerleading: 9-11
Football Cheerleader 9-11
Captain 10-11
Volleyball: 9-12
Varsity Letter 11-12
Co-Captain 12
Track: 9-10
FFA: 9-12
Choir: 9-11
Swing Choir: 10-11
Musical: 9-11
NHS: 10-12
Stuco Representative 12
Special Awards:
Homecoming Queen 12
Art Awards 10 & 12
I Dare You Award 11
Seinor Citizenship Award
Honor Cord

Class Flower:
Daisy



**Casey Nichole
Vaught**

Choir: 9-12
Musical: 9-12
Prompter 10-12
Special Awards:
Vocational Pin



Class Officers:

President: Andrew Gilfillan
Vice President: Jason Nolte
Secretary: Mike Jones
Treasurer: Kyle Olson
Class Representatives:
Chad Simpson and Aaron
Twombly

Class Motto:

“What lies behind
us and what lies
ahead of us are tiny
matters compared
to what lives
within us.”

Seniors

Putting the pieces together

Highland 2001 HIGH SCHOOL

I can remember when...

-Jennifer Davis-
...the seniors told us not to go class after break on a really snowy day. Well us being freshmen we listened and we all got detentions.

-Andrew Gilfillan-
...Mike and I stuck pennies in a computer's disk drive. Mike put his penny in first and walked away while I put my penny in. Then I tried to get them out with a pencil.

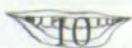
-Jason Nolte-
...we were on Sneak and we barely made our flight home. We were all sprinting through the Chicago airport thinking we weren't going to make it home!

-Samantha Collins-
...we were on Extravaganza and the room I was in got charged with bringing a blender with little bottles of alcohol on the trip. We were completely innocent, but others on the trip weren't so lucky and had to spend a few days in in-school.



-Aaron Twombly-
...we were on a Spanish field trip and ended up at the Topeka mall; while there, Andrew got a blizzard from DQ and trying to act like the DQ people, he turned it upside down. The blizzard ended up all over his leg and on the floor, all he could say was, "it's ok, you can laugh."

-Trekia Moehle-
...the girls in our class would sit at the lunch tables having deep conversations about whatever filled our heads. Most of the time one of us would end up arguing with one another and be mad for the rest of the day.



Class History of the Class of 2001

Memories compiled by the senior class and put together by Andrew Gilfillan

In the fall of 1988 the senior class began its trek. Only a handful of the students receiving their diplomas started here in kindergarten. But nevertheless, they still have some very memorable moments. Of those are the many "stations" that encompassed such games as BINGO and finger painting, Jana and John Jenkins "going out," and the teacher Mrs. Davis. The class was also split into afternoon and morning classes. Also, in kindergarten there was a student named Matthew Devan in our class.

In first grade the class was again split but with two teachers: Mrs. Lambert and Mrs. Merkel. Michael Stonebarger joined the class at this time. The most memorable moments are when Mrs. Lambert pulled people's teeth, there were tokens for a grab bag, and the big fat crayons had to be used before Christmas while the skinny crayons had to be used after Christmas.

In the second grade Mrs. Merkel and Mrs. Jeffers acted as "team teachers." In the second grade Casey Vaught puff painted everyone's name, there was a "secret student," and the class was introduced to some Spanish. In that same year we received some students named Timmy Hall, Jeremy Jenkins, Ashley Daniels, and Andrea Daniels; while another student, Mark Hayes, left. Kristin, Ashley, and Jana all got head lice in the second grade. Jana also remembers betting Chad on what their grades would be like on the next spelling test; Jana almost always owed Chad \$.50 a week.

By third grade our dear friend Nick Cluck left for Hutchinson, permed hair was the cool thing, Kristin had permed triangle hair, Mike Jones tried to convince the girls he had X-ray vision and could see through clothing, and we all started to learn cursive writing. Ms. Twombly was the teacher this year, and all the students have their own mailbox and little chalk board. This is when Erinn Groeltz, Christen Daniels, Christina Adams, and Aaron and Kyle Dillman became a part of the class.

In the fourth grade Aaron Twombly sold paint stirring sticks, and pen jewelry was the in thing. Colleen Finnegan and Liz Carwell joined the class, and when Nick came back, he and Juli "went out." Mrs. Merkel was the teacher.

By fifth grade puberty started to kick in, and more and more students started "going out." Some of the couples were Jana and Nick, Jill and Kyle, Ashley and Chad, Mike and Jolene Cadue. Jennifer Davis joined the class this year and Nick Dale made creepy crawlers and sold them to the class making some good money. In choir, Ashley thought Chad saw her underwear and started crying. Also, fifth grade was a time when trouble makers had to start being accountable in "extended day." For a college play of *The Wizard of Oz*, Jana, Lisa McBane, Erinn G, Mike Jones, Kyle, and Nick Dale were all munchkins.

In the sixth grade it was a "cool thing" to draw all over everything. Notebooks, hands,

arms, face, your friend; you name it, we drew on it. Jill Merkel slapped Mr. Surmeyer across the face. Nick Cluck had an unparalleled love for his hair; and if somebody tried to touch it, he would get very angry. In sixth grade Melissa Moler left while Andrew joined the class. Also, the ever mixing couples started to get bigger when Juli and Nick, Michael Stonebarger and Jolene Cadue, and Mike Jones and Lisa McBane all started



Members of the class of 2001 pose for a kindergarten picture in 1988. Front row: Mike Jones, Brad Hopkins, Nick Cluck, and Ashley Webb; Second Row: Ashley Edie, Kyle Olson, Kristin McCauley, Jana Collins, and Julianne Blevins; Third Row: Matthew Devan, Alana Mendenhall, Jon Edie, Samantha Collins, Mark Hayes, and Casey Vaught; Fourth Row: Mrs. Donna (Davis) Manyon, and Mr. Conrad Clary.

"going out."

In the seventh grade our class went to the basement of the high school instead of the traditional grade school for junior high. Jason Nolte joined us in the seventh grade and started to "go out" with Jana. Ashley Webb had a Halloween dance in her basement. Mrs. Whitacre found a dryer sheet in her pant leg in the middle of class, and Chris Mooney tried to give Kristin a necklace with her name spelled wrong. This was Nick Dale's last year at Highland. After the seventh grade year many of us went on a trip to Washington D.C. where the couples "going out" got even more complex. Nick and Kristin, Juli and Noah Dively, Jason and Lynn Windmeyer, Nick Dale and Becky Cole, Ashley and Dustin, Chad and Megan Blevins, and Jennifer and Michael S. all "went out" for some time in the seventh grade or on the Washington trip.

In the eighth grade we got some new students: Treka Moehle, Stephanie Paxton, and Juli Palos. When Treka came, nobody could pronounce her name right, and she almost always wore windpants. Chad had trouble remembering where Pearl Harbor was, Jill burned her hair orange with a curling iron, Kyle dislocated his knee in basketball practice, and Aaron Dillman chased Jill with a necklace around the lockers. In an eighth grade careers class, Mike Jones ate more

pizza than he should have at Pizza Hut, while Andrew, in woods class, planed two or three boards to nothing. In the 8th grade the couples were Ashley and Nick, Jana and Chad, Karie Diveley and Nick, Jill and Jason, Jennifer and Michael S., Amy and Kyle, and Juli and Deven Yurth. This was also Danielle Lopez's and Lisa McBane's last year.

In ninth grade Elsie Garvin, while in Mrs. Gornley's English class, almost got strangled by a snake she was using in one of her speeches. In general science, with Gary Keehn, Kristin's zipper broke, and she had to resort to using Nick's jacket as a cover-up. One day in the winter, Rocky Runkhe felt that we should have gotten out on a snow day. Thus he convinced almost all of the underclassmen to sit on the stage in protest. Almost everyone got 30 minute detentions. In the spring we went to a YMCA camp for the "good" extravaganza where Mike was the only one to sneak out of the room in order to sing to the junior's cabin. In our freshman year of high school the "couples" were Nick and Corrine Runkhe, Amy and Josh Keebler, Juli and Deven, Mike and Jennifer, and Mike and Treka.

In our sophomore year of high school, coin operated computers came into style, and Alana Mendenhall left. Jana and Erinn had conferences with certain teachers; most of them were behind the closed glass office doors.

In our junior year Shayne Evans joined our class. Our class meetings, as we prepared for prom, were something else with many of the students fighting and trying to do 100 different things for prom. Many students also enjoyed the freeze outs on bus trips. In the spring we went to Greenbush and Fort Scott for Educational Extravaganza which eventually led to two days of investigations. Many students, did things that they shouldn't have including some illegal activities and the bandanna girls. On a sadder note, our class mourned the loss of one of our former classmates, Bradley Hopkins.

In our last year at we completed our infamous senior project. That's when Ashley Webb slipped and said "testicles" instead of "tentacles." Michael Stonebarger, John Jenkins, and Aaron and Kyle Dillman all left us this year. We also gained Brandon Leblin and Melissa Rose and lost them within a few months time. On the FFA state contest trip, the senior girls ran a hair salon at the Motel 6 giving hair cuts, colorings, and perms. On Senior Sneak we were about late for our plane and had to sprint through the terminal. While in the Chicago airport, Jennifer's suitcase fell down some stairs while racing Kristin. At the annual senior water fight, Aaron Twombly took one for the class by taking a punch from a very unhappy junior.

Throughout 13 years at Highland, many people have come and gone, but each has left an unforgettable impact on our class. All will always remember the fun years spent together, the memories made, and hope that we have left our mark at HHS.



Juniors

Turning up the volume



Ashley Beaman



Shannon Davis
Treasurer



Christina Dickerson



Heather Gildersleeve

"Everybody is here today, except for the ones who aren't here."
Brooks Rawles
on attendance



Crystal Harness
Secretary



Lucas Keebler



"Good luck trying to find one!"
Crystal Harness
on getting a good quotation.



DeAnn McCauley
Vice-President



Chris Mooney



Brooks Rawles



Bryan Rhodd

"Speaking of horses...I'm really hungry."
Callee Simpson
at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky



Callee Simpson
President



Daren Stewart
Representative



Nathan Woodruff



Deven Yurth
Representative



Sophomores

Getting Lippy



Kaleb Caudle



Justin Clary
Representative



Matthew Cluck



Sierra Covert

"Never kick a fresh pile of dung on a hot day."
Justin Clary



Amber Diveley
Vice-President



Erin French



Brandon Geiger
President



Michael Hunsaker



Caicey Jones



Michael Kafer



Kimberly McCauley
Secretary

"Save a tree, eat a beaver."
Brian Reiter



Brett Neibling



Eric Nolte



Kristan Olson



Victor Owens



Cody Peters
Treasurer



Brian Reiter



Elizabeth Rivers



Janice Stonebarger



Christopher Sullivan



Heather Terry
Representative



Rachel Wigle



Freshmen

Tongue Tied



Thomas Beaman
Representative

"Consider the daffodil...while you're doing that, I'll be looking through your stuff."
Kyle Jeschke



Ashley Gray



Travis Green



Steven Holt



Kyle Jeschke



Molly Kinkead
Representative



Amber Lock
President



Picture Not Available

Eric McGraw

"Most of what I say comes straight out of my hat and is basically just a lot of [junk]."
K.C. Williams



Tommy Moran

"Rainbows, rainbows in the sky
pretty colors in my eye, when it rains
and we can't play we watch rainbows
all the day, yo."
A rap made up and sung by,
Steven Holt and Kyle Jeschke



Aaron Powell



Angie Stewart
Vice-President



Emily Tharp
Secretary



Justin Tilton
Treasurer



K.C. Williams



What were you thinking?

Students Speak Out

The quote, "A picture is worth a thousand words," is evident with many pictures; each person interpretes a picture in many different ways. The photos below capture students in awkward positions and with funny expressions on their faces. Students were asked to give thoughts on what those in the pictures were actually thinking when the pictures were taken.

Did you take my pants? Who took my pants?
Andrew Gilfillan

Consider the daffodil...
Kyle Jeschke

My fault... the toilet paper goes down here.
Andrew Gilfillan

I could get used to this.
Brian Reiter

You talkin' to me?!
Trekka Moehle

Let's talk later.
Tommy Moran



One little, two little, three little Indians...
Brian Reiter

I think I have his pants, let me check.
Andrew Gilfillan

If you listen closely, you can hear the crispitos working their magic.
Andrew Gilfillan

Is that your hand I just grabbed?
Chris Sullivan



I hope I don't blow it.
Brian Reiter

STUCO gives us the good stuff.
Kyle Jeschke

Where's my soap?
Brian Reiter



I've had a lot of practice at this.
Chris Sullivan



Faculty and staff

The faculty lets the cat out of the bag



Left: Justin Smith, math teacher and quiz bowl coach, carefully calculates his next shot. Smith was enjoying a break during the Highland Invitational quiz bowl. The team placed ninth out of 24.

Top right: Joann Karn is clerk of the board, bookkeeper, and payroll clerk. Karn is responsible for doing loads of paperwork as well as raising, maintaining, and expanding the Jr/Sr High web site.



Bottom right: Ginger Scott takes a short break from her secretarial duties. Scott is one of the busiest personalities with the bills, phone duties, and the ever difficult task of keeping track of all of the students.



The teachers and supporting faculty play a key role to the learning process. But even they need to have fun every now and then. "The highlight of the year for me was learning comedy from a seventy-year-old man in Wendy's after a football game," said Justin Smith. It's not all play; however, sometimes it is the teachers who do the learning. "This year I learned that Charlie the snake really did have legs after all," said Kertis Keehn.



Amy Allen

"Do you still need a hotdog?"



Brad Bingesser



Gary Blanton



Sue Cluck



Frances Collins



Linda Collins



Sharon Collins



Yvette Cook



Angie Eberly



Jill Evans



Nick Ferguson





Scott Fitch



Joan Gaither



Esther Gormley



Dennis Hanlon

"I started the National Honor society in Highland over twenty years ago."

Ted Hutchcraft



Robin Jones



Linda Joseph



Kertis Keehn



Toni Larson



Marti Ann Leach



Linda Maris



Gerre Martin



Cheryl McAfee



Joy Meyer



Angie Neibling



Raymond Neibling



Marla Olson



Donna Parish



Larry Sandy



Elmer Schmitz



Laura Schmitz



Ron Shelton

"Quiet on the bus!"

Nolan Sigrist



Justin Smith



Alan Terry



Deb Terry



Jill Evans, Cheryl Rasmussen, Kertis Keehn, and Marla Olson look contently on towards the exploits of the students during the first day activities.



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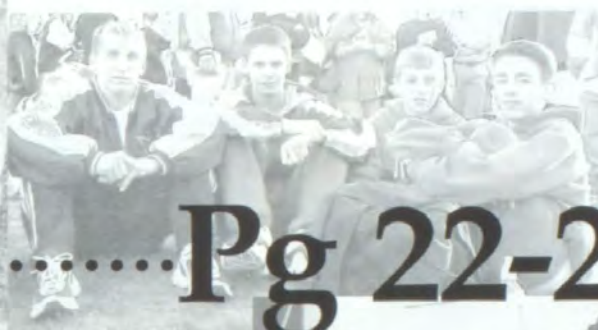
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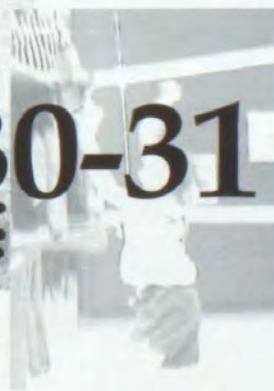
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Volleyball

Setting the record straight:
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From top to bottom: Jana Collins prepares to serve. Photo by Kim McCauley. Samantha Collins and Angie Stewart bump, Ashley Webb sets, and Jill Merkel spikes the ball; the steps for a successful play. Photos by Liz Rivers.

Six of six starters seniors

Senior leadership was essential to the girls' season. "[The senior girls] had both strong athletic and academic abilities. They worked together to pull through some tough times," said head coach Amy Allen, who was assisted by Cheryl Rasmussen.

Samantha Collins, senior, was out for five weeks, causing Freshman Angela Stewart to step up and play on the Varsity team. "I enjoyed filling in for Samantha. It was a good experience; I just wish the season lasted longer," said Stewart.

"The Atchison Tournament was a good stepping stone," said Allen. "The girls were able to step up and play to their full ability."



Senior girls wish Midway's team good luck before the match. Photo by Liz Rivers.

Squeaking out a winning season



Front Row: Kristin McCauley, Jill Merkel, Samantha Collins, Ashley Webb, Julianne Blevins, Jana Collins; Middle Row: Christina Dickerson, Kimberly McCauley, Angela Stewart, Rachel Wigle, Caicey Jones; Back Row: Cheryl Rasmussen, assistant coach; Heather Terry, manager; DeAnn McCauley, Sierra Covert, Kristan Olson, Janice Stonebarger, manager; Amy Allen, head coach. Photo by Lifetouch.



Senior girls talk about team unity

Julianne Blevins

"As a team, we had our ups and downs. We fought to the very end, like we did when we were the Cardiac Kids in eighth grade."



2nd Team All-County

Ashley Webb

"We struggled in the beginning but progressed as a team throughout the season. Our successes and failures brought us closer."



Jana Collins

"Regionals was disappointing; it was just the wrong place and the wrong time. However, we [the team] had a sense of chemistry that gave us more team unity."



1st Team All-League
1st Team All-County

Jill Merkel



"DVL was our most successful tournament because we played well against teams like Troy, that beat us earlier in the season. The team improved throughout the season.

We worked hard to achieve teamwork, which helped us both on and off of the court. Although I was disappointed that we did not make it past Regionals, we did have a good year. I am glad it ended up the way that it did."

Honorable Mention All-League
1st Team All-County

Coach Amy Allen



"The seniors came together and pulled through some tough times. The record did not show what we could have done overall."

	W	L
Jackson Heights	—	—
Savannah	—	Atchison
Jackson Heights	—	Lansing
McLouth	—	Midway
Oskaloosa	—	Horton
Oskaloosa	—	JCN
Jackson Heights	—	Wathena
West Platte	—	B&B
Pleasant Ridge	—	Centralia
Atchison	—	Pleasant Ridge
Valley Falls	—	Troy
Midway	—	KC Maranatha
Troy	—	Wathena
Valley Falls	—	Jackson Heights
Oskaloosa	—	Centralia
Horton	—	Wathena

Clockwise from top left: Jill Merkel goes up to block as Jana Collins and Ashley Webb cover the floor. Jill Merkel has had one of the most consistent blocking records for the past three years. Julianne Blevins sets as Jill Merkel prepares to spike the ball. Jill Merkel goes up to hit as Julianne Blevins waits to cover. Before the game begins, the varsity team takes time for a quick huddle. Photos by Kim McCauley. After receiving third in the Atchison tournament, the senior girls pose with their trophy. Photo by Jeannene Blevins.



Cross Country

Preparation, desire, and dedication carry runners from start to finish.



Top to bottom: Erinn Groeltz gets a pep talk from her mom before she runs. Photo by Ashley Webb. Michael Hunsaker, Stephen Holt, and Kyle Jeschke stretch prior to their race. Amy Keller receives water and support from Josh Keebler. Stephen Holt runs hard for the finish line. Photos by Erinn Groeltz.

Running 'till the end

Though it looks like a small team, 15 percent of the student body participates in cross country. Highland and Midway-Denton form the cross country team for both schools. The teams do not practice together; however, they do compete together.

"Running with Midway gives us a better chance to place because it gives us more people," stated Amber Diveley, sophomore.

"Individually, Horton was the best meet because Molly Kinkead placed first on junior varsity," commented Coach Larry Sandy. Horton was the best team meet when the girls placed first.

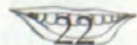


Amber Diveley, Callee Simpson, Molly Kinkead, Sarah Henry, Amanda Stevens, Angela Boos, and Amber Stevens pose for the camera.

A team of champions



Front Row: Stephen Holt, Michael Hunsaker, Kyle Olson, Kyle Jeschke, Tommy Moran. Back Row: Erinn Groeltz, Jana Collins, Molly Kinkead, Amy Keller, Callee Simpson, Amber Diveley. Jana Collins, due to volleyball, competes only in Regionals.



What was your favorite part of cross country?

Michael Hunsaker

"Going to Regionals and getting my best time was my favorite part of the season."



Callee Simpson

"When I fell in a hole at the Jackson Heights meet when everyone was watching but no other runners were around me."



Tommy Moran

"Kyle Jeschke getting in trouble from throwing bananas out of the bus window and hitting Mr. Sandy's car was the funniest part of the season."



Coach Larry Sandy



"The DVL these past two years has been my favorite because it is at Rim Rock, and they have a beautiful course that is definitely very challenging."



"Regionals was my best race because I overcome my injury and ran my best race of the season," Erinn Groeltz.

Boys'

Maur Hill	_____
McLouth	_____
Troy	4th
Horton	7th
Sabetha	_____
Rim Rock-DVL	_____
Jackson Heights	6th

Girls'

Maur Hill	6th
McLouth	1st
Troy	2nd
Horton	6th
Sabetha	3rd
Rim Rock -DVL	4th
Jackson Heights	5th

Top left: Beth Lednicki, Brandi Farley, Mindee Peuker, Amber Stevens, Sarah Henry, Angela Boos, Callee Simpson, Molly Kinkead, Amy Keller, and Amber Diveley have a team huddle while Coach Sandy looks on. Top right: Coach Letherman and Coach Sandy watch the teams as they compete. Photos by Erinn Groeltz. Middle left: Tommy Moran chases after Kyle Jeschke at Troy. Middle right: Callee Simpson pushes down the hill towards the finish. Photos by Ashley Webb. Bottom left: Molly Kinkead and Amber Diveley sit and talk after their race is complete.



Football

Exciting Bulldog and Trojan victories



2-7 season brings recognition to 4 individuals

Despite having a disappointing season, the football players still know how to have a good time. During the pep rally before the Oskaloosa game, they join in a game taught by the cheerleaders. Justin Clary, Cody Peters, Chad Simpson, and Andrew Gilfillan do the "chicken in a hen house" move to show their spirit.

The Troy game has to be the highlight of the season for all players and fans. The Bluestreaks beat the Trojans 15 to 12 with a home field advantage. A victory on the road after being delayed by the rain in McLouth, also picked up the spirits of players and fans.



Small team, big effort.



Bluestreaks give it their all, play by play. Second Picture by Kyle Olson from Oskaloosa game; all other pictures by Kim McCauley from Jackson Heights game.

First Row: Brett Neibling, Mike Jones, Jason Nolte, Deven Yurth, Chad Simpson, Kaleb Caudle; Second Row: Andrew Gilfillan, Brian Reiter, Thomas Beaman, Justin Tilton, Eric Nolte, Aaron Powell, Mike Kafer; Third Row: Chris Mooney, Daren Stewart, Victor Owen, Michael Stonebarger, Cody Peters, Justin Clary, Brandon Geiger; Fourth Row: Assistant Coach Justin Smith, managers Crystal Harness, Craig Nolte, Chase Smith, Andrew Gilmore, Kip Peters, Head Coach Brad Bingesser.



These pages by Heather Terry.

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What did you think of the football season?

Andrew Gilfillan

"I was glad to play football. Our senior season didn't go exactly how I would have liked, but I was happy to play and I had fun."



Daren Stewart

"We had some disappointment losing to Wathena, and we could have had a better record, but we didn't have total commitment with all the players"



Mike Jones

"I felt if we would have run a little more in our last game it would have helped. One running play is just not acceptable to me."



Many good plays keep the Streaks fighting throughout the year. The Jackson Heights game was a disappointing Homecoming. After losing 16 to 48, the Streaks tried to get into the festivities, but it was hard. First Row: Photo by Kyle Olson at Oskaloosa game; Photo by Kim McCauley at Jackson Heights game; Second Row: Photos by Kristin McCauley at Valley Falls game; Third Row: Photo by Kim McCauley at Jackson Heights game.

Cody Peters



"I feel we worked hard and spent many hours practicing to have a good season. We all had fun. The Troy game was the highlight of the year; everybody loved it. The Wathena game was a game that we needed to win but just didn't come through like we did with the Troy game."

All Stars

- Deven Yurth- All League Offense 2nd team
All League Defense 1st team
All Area Atchison
All State Honorable Mention
- Chad Simpson- All League Defense
Honorable mention
All State Honorable Mention
- Chris Mooney- All League Defense 2nd team
- Cody Peters- All League Offense Honorable Mention



"We made great strides this year. If our players work hard in the weight room over the summer, we can continue to improve as a football team," said Coach Bingesser

	Win	Lose
	0-35	Oskaloosa
	6-46	Valley Falls
	0-43	Pleasant Ridge
McLouth	7-6	
	16-48	Jackson Heights
	8-24	Horton
Troy	15-12	
	20-28	Wathena
	7-57	JCN



On Friday Sept. 29, during half time of the Jackson Heights football game, Ashley Webb, and Andrew Gilfillan were crowned Homecoming royalty.

Queen Ashley Webb and King Andrew Gilfillan reign as the 2000 Homecoming royalty. Photo by Lifetouch.

Chad Simpson and Erinn Groeltz were Homecoming attendants. To be eligible for royalty, attendants have to be in two extra-curricular activities. Photo by Lifetouch

Jason Nolte and Amy Keller, Homecoming attendants, didn't walk away with the winning honors on Homecoming night, they did, however win competitions at the annual bonfire. Photo by Lifetouch.

Flower girl, Macy Scott, daughter of Jeff and Michel Scott and Crown bearer, Zack Alfrey, son of Mike and Rachel Alfrey, prepare to present the candidates' gifts at half time of the Jackson Heights game. Photo by Kristin McCauley.



Spirit Lacking

How did you feel about the activities



"A lot of people were concerned about what others thought and they couldn't step out of their comfort zone for at least one day to promote school spirit."

Jana Collins,
Senior



"More people would have participated in Spirit Week if the days were easier. I couldn't find outfits for the different days."

Molly Kinkead,
Freshman



"I thought I was making a sacrifice for my class by wearing the Bluestreak and face paint, but since the storm cloud flew away on our float, I felt like a dork."

Kyle Olson,
Senior

Homecoming

Webb and Gilfillan take crown

The junior class float, "Fry the Cobras" received first place in the float competition. Below, Ashley Beamann, Chris Mooney, and other members of the class get the float ready for the parades start. After the parades finale, community and school members gathered on Main Street for a pep rally before the game. Photo by Juli Blevins.

Steven Holt, freshman, and an outside date slow-danced during the Homecoming dance on Friday, Sept. 29, after the football game. Photo by Ashley Webb.



The HHS Cheerleaders entertained many members of the community as well as the high school before the "big game." The cheerleaders performed a routine, the band played, and Jana Collins was honored for having the most spirit during Spirit Week. Photo by Juli Blevins.

Erinn Groeltz and Amy Keller, seniors, try on slap bracelets from the '80s during Spirit Week. Many had trouble finding outfits for the styles from the '60-'90s, therefore, many did not participate. Photo by Juli Blevins.

Homecoming candidates, Ashley Webb, Erinn Groeltz, and Amy Keller pose for pictures with Macy Scott and Zack Alfrey before the half time activities. Photo by Kimberly McCauley.

that went on during Homecoming week?

"The incident with the face paint last year during Spirit Week caused the students to revolt and to not participate this year.

Lucas Keebler, Junior



"I don't think that it was fair that our float got disqualified. The smoke bombs added to our theme of 'Smoke the Cobras!'"

Caicey Jones, Sophomore



"Our idea for the parade was pretty good. The big frying pan and real snakes caught the judges' attention and that is why we got first place."

Bryan Rhodd, Junior



Cheerleaders

Y-e-l-l y-e-l-l
everybody yell!



We've got spirit; yes we do!

Whether on the field or on the court, the cheerleaders were sure to keep the crowds pumped up. The cheerleading squad worked hard throughout the season on improving their cheers, jumps and teamwork. Marti Leach, sponsor, worked hard in trying to improve her squad.

The cheerleaders not only attended a camp over the summer but sponsored a Spirit Spreader for various squads from the area. "Spirit Spreader was really fun because we got to learn new stunts and cheers, plus we got a day out of school," said Kristan Olson.



Highland cheerleaders in the front row at Spirit Spreader: Caicey Jones, Lucinda Keebler, Ashley Beaman, Kristan Olson, and Molly Kinkead. Photo by Kyle Olson.

Football

Basketball



Back Row: Heather Gildersleeve, Kristan Olson, Caicey Jones; Middle Row: Angie Stewart, Molly Kinkead; Front Row: Ashley Beaman. Photo by Lifetouch.



Back Row: Emily Tharp; Middle Row: Heather Gildersleeve and Angie Stewart; Front Row: Caicey Jones. Photo by Lifetouch.

Top to bottom: Emily Tharp and Angie Stewart working the crowd at a basketball game. Photo by Crystal Harness. Ashley Beaman and Lucinda Keebler working it at Spirit Spreader. Photo by Kyle Olson. The basketball cheerleaders cheering on the boys' basketball team. Basketball cheerleaders kickin it. Photos by Crystal Harness.



Cheerleaders
speak out about
season.

Emily Tharp

"I enjoyed cheerleading this year because I like cheering for our hometown team."



Molly Kinkead

"It was fun, and I liked working with the small group of girls; we really worked well together."



Caicey Jones

"Cheerleading was OK this year, it would have been better if we had more people, so I'm looking forward to next year."



Marti Leach



"This year was a rough year for the cheerleading squad. The girls that stuck it out did a very good job, and I was proud of them for sticking with it even when things weren't so fun. Next year will definitely be better, and I'm looking for major improvements for this year. I'm expecting a full squad."

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Heather Gildersleeve
"I really enjoyed the season, but I'm looking forward to next season."



Top left: Football cheerleaders Ashley Beaman and Kristan Olson goof around before a game. Top right: Angie Stewart, Heather Gildersleeve and Caicey Jones cheer during a time out. Middle left: During the homecoming pep rally, cheerleaders Angie Stewart, Caicey Jones, Molly Kinkead and Kristan Olson get the crowd ready for the big game. Middle right: Angie Stewart, Caicey Jones and Heather Gildersleeve cheer for the home team. Bottom: Football cheerleaders get warmed up for the football game.

Right: Julianne Blevins and Kyle Olson plant some of the many varieties of flowers in the greenhouse. They are transplanting the immature plants into 4 pack flat. Many hours have been spent transplanting the thousands of dollars of flowers. Photo by Sierra Covert.

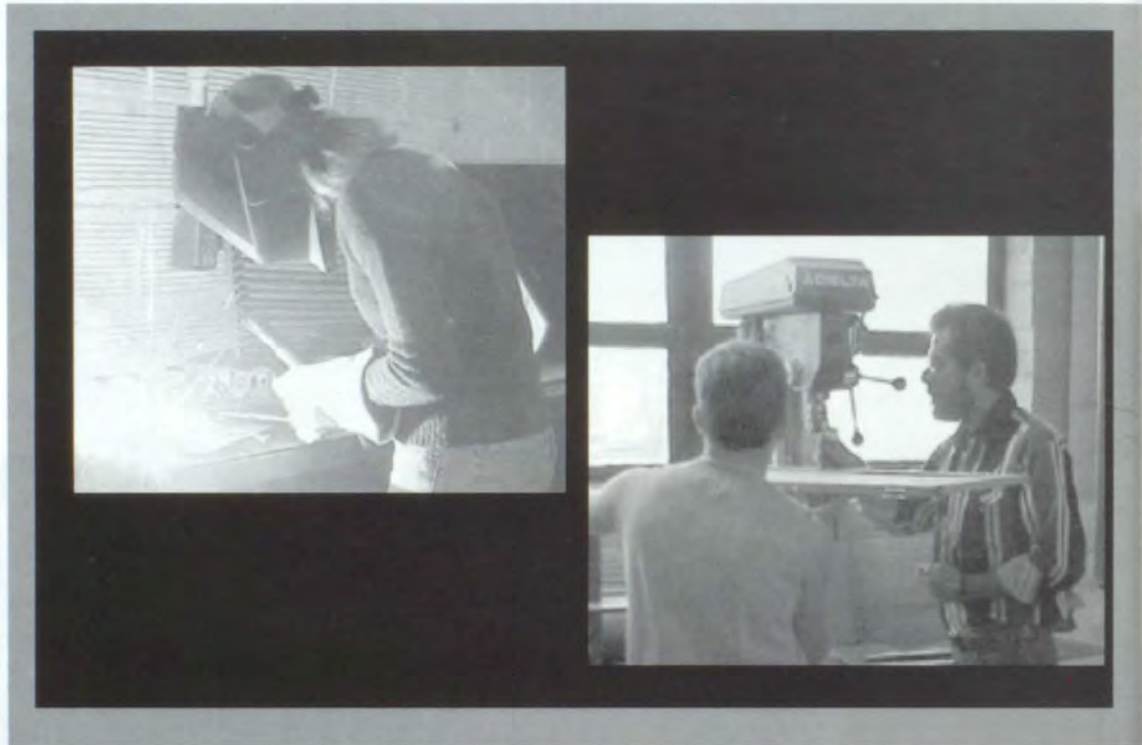


Right: Mike Kafer is working on his rough sketch of his house plan for the home-economic class. The class then will transfer the sketch to a bigger drawing. They are doing their house plan as part of the interior design unit. Photo By Sierra Covert.



Far right: Alan Terry helps Mike Kafer by helping with the drill press. Photo by Sierra Covert.

Right: Molly Kinkead works on her arch welding skills by practicing on scrap metal. Photo by Sierra Covert.

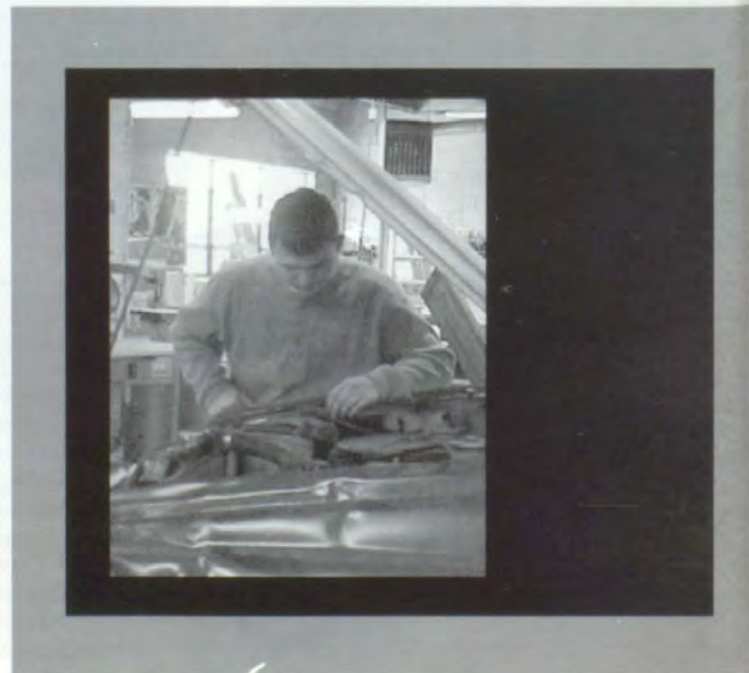


Above: Travis Green works on his practice welds using the arch welder during beginning agriculture class. The students will then have to hand in a final good weld. Photo by Sierra Covert.

Right: Samatha Collins agonized over how she can improve her house drawing. This is one of the final steps in the project for Laura Schmitz. Photo by Julianne Blevins.



Right: Mike Jones determines what needs to be changed on his rebuilt truck. He rebuilt the Toyota as part of Senior Showcase. Photo by Sierra Covert.



Students have 'so much to say' in hands-on projects

Home Economics/Agriculture/Woods



"I remember when cooking, Mike and I always seemed to mess up, but they always tasted good," said **Jana Collins, senior.**



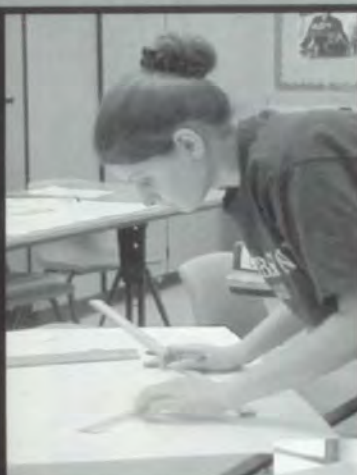
Callee Simpson, junior, said "I remember in the greenhouse, Lucas always threatened to spray me with water hose."



Mike Kafer, sophomore, said, "I remember getting a dowl ripped out of my hand by a powersander. What a rush!"



"I remember at leadership school, a kid cheated off of Steven, but he changed a few of the answers," **Kyle Jeschke, freshman.**



Cody Peters and Matt Cluck work on chairs that Matt's mom asked him to build. They are measuring where the sides should be compared to their first chair. Photo by Sierra Covert.



Working on file cabinets can be tedious. Jon Edie works on a cabinet for his woods project. The students can build most anything they feel they have the ability to build. Photo by Sierra Covert.

Right top: Amy Keller works on her house plan in home-ec. Photo by Julianne Blevins.
 Right center: Victor Owen uses the drill press while bulding something for a friend. Photo by Sierra Covert.
 Right bottom: Callee Simpson waters down the flat before getting ready to transplant flowers. Photo by Sierra Covert.

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Back and Forth



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Musical



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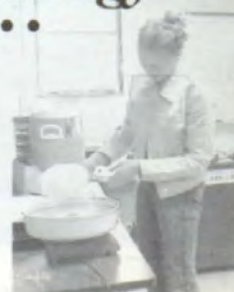
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*Math, Science,
Technology*



Back and Forth



Barnwarming



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The school choir performed 'Leader of the Pack' on Nov. 8-10.

During the "Chapel of Love," Jana Collins, (Ellie Greenwich), and Mike Jones, (Jeff Barry), get married right before intermission.

Tada! The Jivettes, Julianne Blevins, (Mickey), Samantha Collins, (Shelly), and Jana Collins, (Ellie), finish singing the "Jivette Boogie Beat." This was the first opener with all of the Jivettes.

K.C. Williams, (Gus Sharkey), and Mike Jones, (Jeff Barry), work in the music studio to prepare for upcoming performances.

Vroom, Vroom! Special effects and "sassy" attitudes led Heather Terry's solo "Leader of the Pack" into full speed.

Ashley Beaman and Victor Owens partner danced in the smash hit "Hanky Panky." This was just one of the many dances which had partner dancing.



Lalala What is your most memorable moment during the musical?



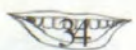
"When Caicey Jones was putting on the guy's make-up. . . enough said."
Aaron Twombly,
Senior



"When everyone was crazy back stage. It was out of control."
Jason Nolte,
Senior



"I enjoyed going shopping for my outfit."
Christina Dickerson,
Junior



Musical

'Leader of the Pack'

The "River Deep" musical cast prepares for the finale. Christina Dickerson said, "The choreography for this song took many hours of practice."

Caicey Jones and Thomas Beaman swing dance during the "Do Ron Ron." The variety of dances ranged from swing dancing to break dancing.



Crystal Harness and Steven Holt take part in the wedding ceremony of Ellie Greenwich and Jeff Barry.



Heather Gildersleeve, (Rosie Greenwich), helps her daughter, (Ellie Greenwich), Jana Collins, with her future plans and a "...teaching degree to fall back on."



Strike a pose! Studio dancers finish the opening scene. "Leader of the Pack's" opening was made up of dancing and no singing. The choreography was by Erinn Groeltz.



"Falling over people backstage was quite intriguing."

Thomas Beaman,
Freshman



"Tackling K.C. Williams backstage was a lot of fun."

Brett Neibling,
Sophomore



"When I was spinning around on Thomas' shoulders and hit Brett."

Steven Holt,
Freshman



The 2000 FFA Barnwarming celebration included a pork dinner, work sale, Sweetheart contest, and even a little entertainment by the Dixie Chicks

Left: DeAnn McCauley is crowned the 2000 FFA Barnwarming Sweetheart.

Top right: The star of the show, Amber the Cow, chows down on some grub.

Right center: Angie Stewart participates 2in the Sunny Side Up contest where the contestants jump rope, sing "Old McDonald had a farm" and catch 6 raw eggs.

Lower left: The candidates, Sierra Covert, Ashley Beaman, DeAnn McCauley, Angie Stewart, Molly Kinkead, and Caicey Jones are lined up for the crowning

Sarah Lynd, FFA state officer, speaks on the role of FFA after high school.



What do you say...is your favorite Barnwarming contest



I enjoyed the sunny side up contest because it was messy and fun.

**Angie Stewart,
Freshman**



I enjoyed milking the cows, because I have never done that before.

**Molly Kinkead,
Freshman**



My favorite contest was the hay throwing contest because I felt buff.

**Caicey Jones
Sophomore**



Barnwarming

So much to hay

Officers Callee Simpson, Juli Blevins, Amy Keller, and Kyle Olson observe the festivities and work sale taking place.

Molly Kinkead gives her speech for the Barnwarming Sweetheart competition. All candidates had to talk about FFA stereotypes.



Caicey Jones, tries to correctly identify cow manure in the farm smells identification contest.

Kyle Heinrich and Brooks Rawles of Blevins Dairy Farm deliver Amber the Cow for the milking contest.

Juli Blevins, Jill Merkel, and Kristin McCauley perform the song "Earl Had to Die" by the Dixie Chicks. The girls acted out the song in the same manner the Dixie Chicks did in their hit music video played on GAC and CMT cable stations.



"Every year is a new and exciting experience with the many interesting chores we have to do."

Sierra Covert,
Sophomore



"My favorite event was the spitting contest, because now I know I can beat some boys."

Ashley Beaman,
Junior



"I liked the cow milking contest because I was used to it."

DeAnn McCauley,
Junior

Quiz Bowl / NHS

National Honor Society initiated five new members. Junior varsity Quiz Bowl took first and varsity took third at the Highland Invitational.

"I am very proud of how well the Quiz Bowl team has done this season."

Andrew Gilfillan, captain



"NHS chooses its members for their academic achievements as well as their leadership, character, and service."

Erinn Groeltz, president

Participation grows for these academic activities



NHS

Members of NHS are Back Row: Andrew Gilfillan, Mike Jones, Jill Merkel, Brett Neibling, Aaron Twombly, Samantha Collins, Sierra Covert, Second Row: Erinn Groeltz, Juli Blevins, Kristin McCauley, Jana Collins, Jennifer Davis, Heather Terry, Front Row: Amber Diveley, Ashley Webb, Brandon Geiger, Crystal Harness, Christina Dickerson, and sponser Ted Hutchcraft. Photo by Lifetouch.



NHS Initiation Night

When getting initiated into NHS, everyone who wants to be a member must write a one page paper and keep a 3.0 G.P.A throughout the year. Brett Neibling was lighting his candle and shaking hands, "I was worried about not lighting my tie on fire and hoping that it would be over with soon because I was getting very hungry." Photo by Donna Parish.



Varsity Quiz Bowl at HCC

Quiz Bowl members Mike Jones, Andrew Gilfillan, Brian Reiter, and Crystal Harness all agree, "The questions were hard, and we were very lucky to place ninth. The food was great." Photo by Justin Smith.



Quiz Bowl Team

Members of Quiz Bowl are Back row: Mike Jones, Brett Neibling, Brian Reiter, K.C. Williams, Andrew Gilfillan, Steven Holt. Front Row: Tommie Moran, Heather Terry, Heather Gildersleeve, Crystal Harness, Liz Rivera, and Coach Justin Smith. Photo by Lifetouch.



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Andrew Gilfillan and Brian Reiter "enjoyed ping-pong while waiting for the awards ceremony at HCC Quiz Bowl." Photo by Crystal Harness.

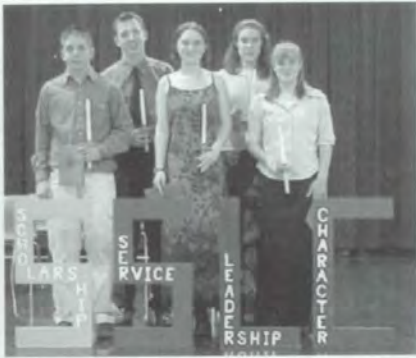


Brandon Geiger lighting his candle thinking, "This is a big honor and accomplishment and an inspiration to keep up my grades." Photo by Donna Parish.

Amber Diveley signs the NHS membership book before she receives her pin and candle. Photo by Donna Parish.



New NHS members Brandon Geiger, Brett Neibling, Heather Terry, Sierra Covert, and Amber Diveley. Photo by Donna Parish.



"I had to stop by the Sweet Factory. I needed my chocolate," said Crystal Harness. Photo by Heather Terry.



NHS members Juli Blevins, Erinn Groeltz, Jennifer Davis, and Aaron Twombly patiently wait and rehearse before starting the annual NHS program. Photo by Donna Parish



Liz Rivers, Steven Holt, and K.C. Williams are waiting to destroy the other team's confidence by getting first at Highland. Photo by Donna Parish.

What are some of the best times in Quiz Bowl and NHS?



"Cruising in the ghetto van in Topeka."

Heather Gildersleeve



"In Quiz Bowl I loved playing 'create a can' and the comradary."

Brian Reiter



"One of the best times was coming up with a prayer to say to a group."

Christina Dickerson



"The best time was getting second at DVL. Most other teams were older."

Tommy Moran

Journalism/STUCO

STUCO is a club that puts on all of the dances and activities for the year. The STUCO president is Jana Collins. Journalism put out *The Bluestreaks Speaks* and a year book. This year 12 people placed at the contest at K-State.

"We were at the state journalism contest; I was in feature writing and half way through the fire alarm went off in the union at KU"
Kristin McCauley



"Going to STUCO camp this past summer. It was awesome to be around so many students with high expectations and good work ethic."
Jana Collins

Activities give students 'so much to say'



Publications swept journalism Regionals

Above: Sierra Covert, Christina Dickerson, Crystal Harness, and Aaron Twombly work hard on yearbook pages. Each student in journalism class is assigned certain pages. Photo by Heather Terry.



Publications produces one yearbook a year

Above: Aaron Twombly and Ashley Webb discuss yearbook layouts. Aaron Twombly designed the cover of the yearbook and helped co-editor, Ashley Webb, with design ideas. Photo by Heather Terry.



Publications sells \$3500 worth of advertisements each year to pay for the yearbook

First Row: Aaron Twombly, Kyle Olson; Second Row: Donna Parish, Erinn Groeltz, Kristin McCauley, Ashley Webb; Third Row: Liz Rivers, Crystal Harness, Heather Terry, Kimberly McCauley, Christina Dickerson; Fourth Row: Juli Blevins, Treka Moehle, Brian Reiter, Brandon Leblin, Kristan Olson, Sierra Covert. Photo by Lifetouch.

Regional and State Winners:

Treka Moele; 1st advertising, HM editorial cartoon, HM state; 2nd theme development/graphics
 Brian Reiter; 1st outline writing, HM state; 2nd headline writing
 Julianne Blevins; 2nd outline writing, HM editorial writing
 Erinn Groeltz; 1st editorial writing, HM state; 2nd news writing, HM state;
 3rd newspaper design
 Kristin McCauley; 2nd feature writing, HM state; HM newswriting
 Aaron Twombly; 1st infographics, 1st state; 1st yearbook sports writing
 Crystal Harness; 1st newspaper photography, HM state
 Heather Terry; 2nd theme development/graphics
 Kyle Olson; 3rd yearbook copy writing, 1st yearbook photography
 Christina Dickerson; 3rd yearbook sports writing
 Sierra Covert; HM newspaper sports writing



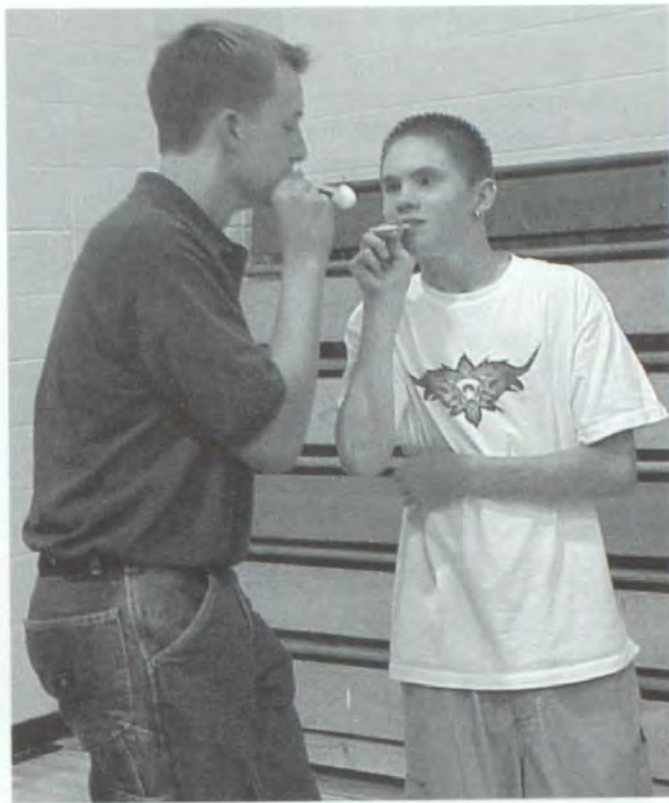
Right: Cody Peters holds a penny between his legs while quacking like a duck. He then had to put the penny in a bucket. Photo by Donna Parish.



Below: Justin Clary holds the first place pumpkin in The Pumpkin painting contest. Photo by Ashley Webb



Right: First Row: Jana Collins, Heather Gildersleeve, Kristin McCauley, Ashley Webb, Callee Simpson, Amber Lock, Jill Evans; Second Row: Juli Blevins, Brandon Geiger, Heather Terry, Molly Kinkead, Andrew Gilfillan, Ashley Beaman, DeAnn McCauley; Third Row: Chad Simpson, Thomas Beaman, Deven Yurth, Daren Stewart, Aaron Twombly, Mike Jones, Janice Stonebarger, Justin Clary. Photo by Lifetouch.



Right: Brett Neibling and Chris Sullivan pass a cotton ball through straws at the first day of school activities sponsored by STUCO. Photo by Donna Parish

Below: Samatha Collins, Kristin McCauley, Jill Merkel, and Juli Blevins get down at the Homecoming dance sponsored by STUCO. Photo by Crystal Harness.



What is your favorite STUCO sponsored event?



"Pumpkin painting contest, because my group won first place."
Angie Stewart



"Fist day of school activities because they were fun and interacting."
Michael Hunsaker



"Pumpkin Painting Contest because we had fun creating our pumpkin."
Christina Dickerson



"The pop machine because after one hour of class it is a cool and refreshing splash of goodness."
Kyle Olson



Right: Erinn Groeltz, Aaron Twombly and Juli Blevins are shown dropping things at the same time in physics class demonstrating Galileo's theory. Photo by Ashley Webb.



Right: Andrew Gilfillan concentrates on dropping a ball. The physics class was demonstrating Galileo's theory of dropping things at the same time. Photo by Ashley Webb.



Right: Jill Evans lets her hair down in sophomore computer applications. Liz Rivers (right) works hard on her newsletter. Sophomores are required to do a three page newsletter. Photos by Sierra Covert and Kimberly McCauley.

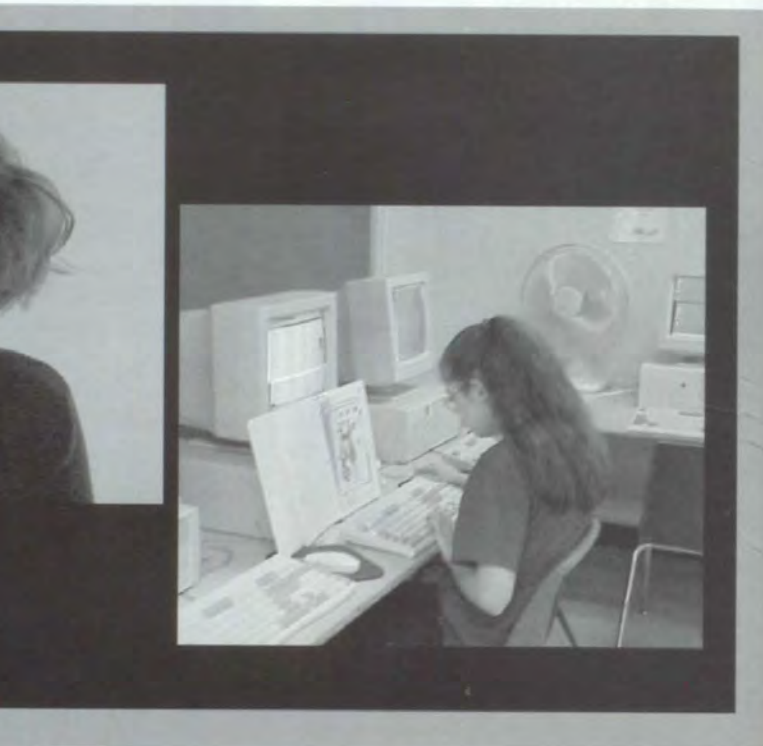


Top: Jana Collins looks on as she is making her cotton candy in physics class. Photo by Ashley Webb.



Right: Andrew Gilfillan in physics class makes cotton candy to demonstrate centripetal force. The cotton candy was "mum um good." Photo by Ashley Webb.

Right: Erinn Groeltz, Andrew Gilfillan and Aaron Twombly are demonstrating Newton's laws of gravity in physics class by dropping objects and timing gravity acceleration. Photo by Ashley Webb.



Going into the future with 'so much to say.'

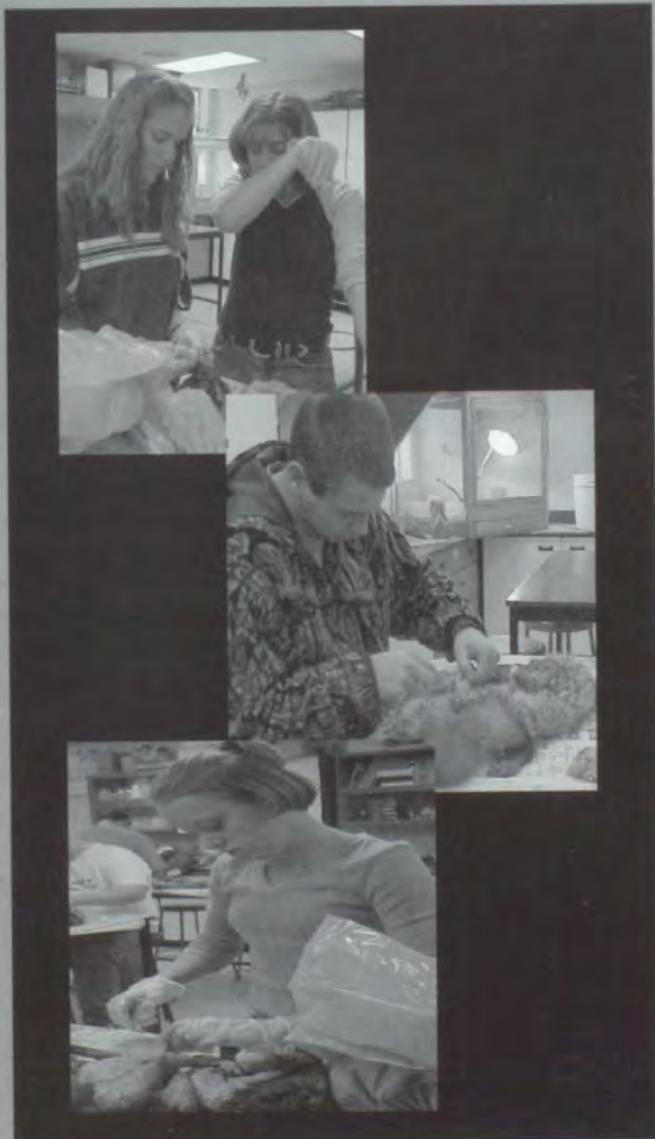
Math/Science/Technology

"I took physics because I enjoy math, but we also study different aspects of it," said Samantha Collins.

"I enjoyed surfing the net while learning about Telecommunications; something new and exciting always happens in computer class," said Sierra Covert.

"I like Natural Resources because it's more hands on, and I like being outside and working with animals," said D e A n n n McCauley.

"I enjoyed making a newsletter in computer class this year because I got to use creativity to create it." said Liz Rivers



Kertis Keehn, Rachel Wigle, Brian Reiter and Matt Cluck play with electricity in biology class. Photo by Sierra Covert.



Erinn Groeltz and Aaron Twombly work in the computer lab on Senior Showcase. Photo by Kimberly McCauley.

Left: Ashley Beaman and Shannon Davis work on a bobcat, Daren Stewart works on his badger, and Callee Simpson works on her raccoon. Natural Resources students are required to do one taxidermy project a year. Photo by Ashley Webb.

Deven Yurth lays back while reading a magazine during reading seminar. "This is what reading seminar means to me. Acting is what I'm really doing. Reading seminar works for me," says Yurth. Photo by Heather Terry.



Amber Lock follows along in her book while listening to a record of *Romeo and Juliet*. A student sat at the front of the classroom and answered others' questions after each scene. Photo by Heather Terry.

Shannon Davis, Callee Simpson, and Ashley Webb read accelerated reader books in the library. Tommy Moran listens to the record player of *Romeo and Juliet* and prepares to answer the questions of the other students. Photos by Heather Terry.



K.C. Williams participates in a discussion of *Romeo and Juliet*. The chewed up toothbrush being whipped around shows his enthusiasm as he tries to prove his point. Photo by Heather Terry.

Erin French tries a doughnut made by Heather Terry and Caicey Jones. The Spanish II class made an entire meal every nine weeks. The class split up into four groups, and each took one part of the meal. Main dish, appetizer, drinks, and dessert were a part of every meal. Photo by Sierra Covert.



Caicey Jones puts dough for "Mexican Doughnuts" into the pan to fry. "Cooking in Spanish was educational and fun. It taught us about customs and food of Spain and Mexico," said Liz Rivers. Photo by Sierra Covert.



'So much to say' in two languages!

English, Spanish, History



"I liked learning about the different religions in world history. Learning about my Constitutional rights has been interesting this year," Erinn Groeltz. Photo by Ashley Webb.



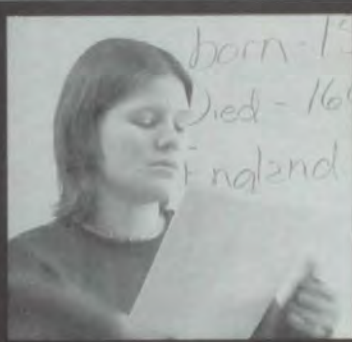
"My favorite part of history is learning about the Civil War," Callee Simpson. Photo by Crystal Harness.



"I like to study all aspects of history, but I especially like American history and the Civil War," Brett Neibling. Photo by Kim McCauley.



"My favorite part of history is when Mrs. Parish includes her personal funny stories in the discussions," Shannon Davis. Photo by Donna Parish.



Matt Cluck takes part in a discussion after Caicey Jones' speech about Elizabeth I of England. Each student in the world history class had to choose a topic and present it to the entire class. Photo by Heather Terry

Donna Parish reviews notes on Renaissance and Reformation with the sophomore history class. She asks questions about the difference between Roman Catholic and Protestant churches. Photo by Heather Terry.

Caicey Jones gives a presentation on Elizabeth I of England. Liz Rivers looks at pictures of Elizabeth I that were passed around the class. Chad Simpson entertains the constitution class in his farm clothes. Top two pictures taken by Heather Terry. Bottom photo taken by Ashley Webb.

Starting to Unwind



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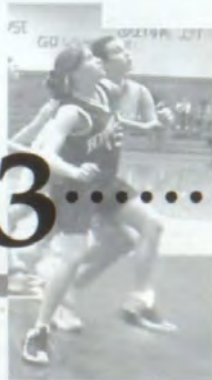
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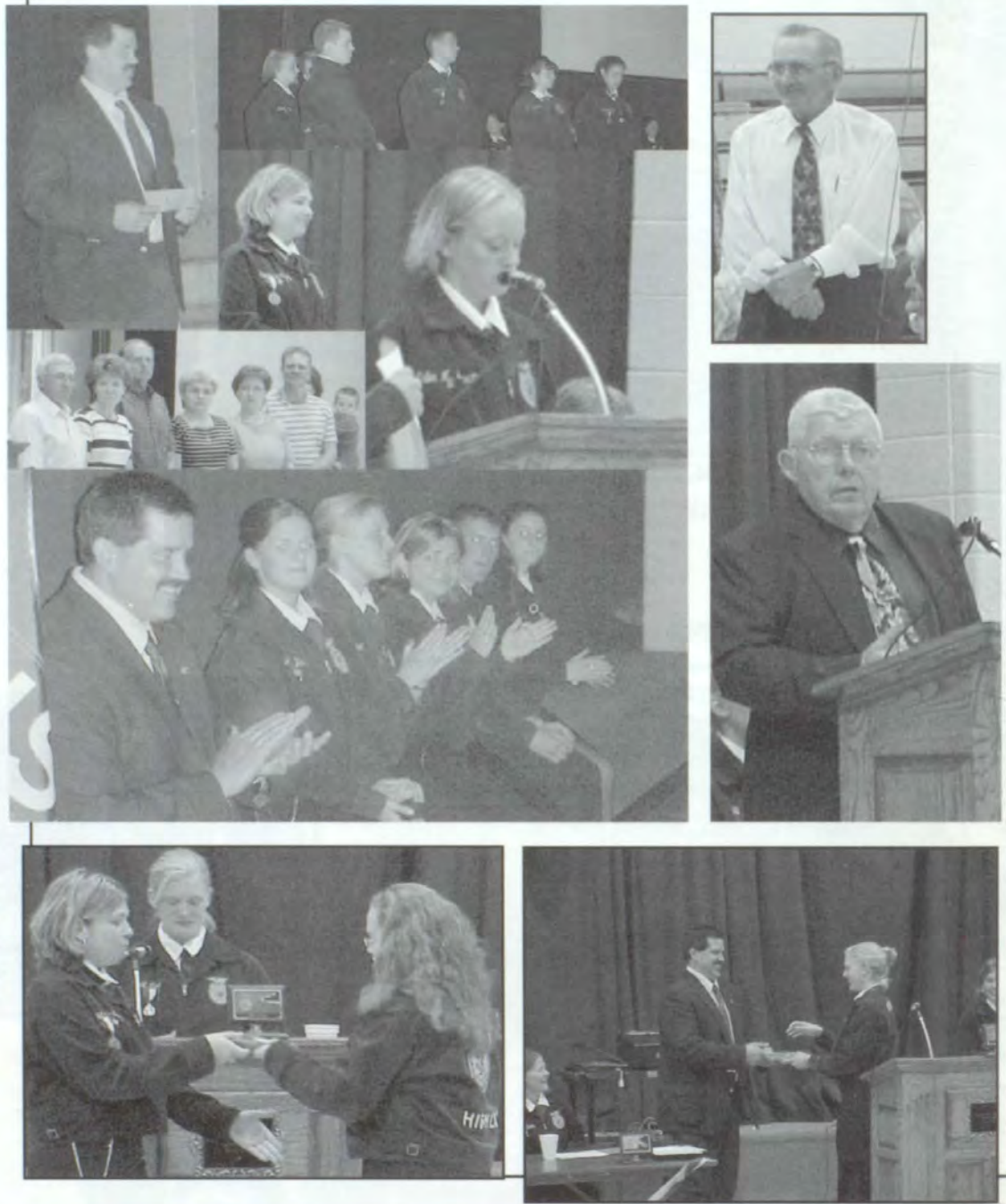


Clockwise: Elmer Schmitz looks on as the officers open the celebration. New officers do closing ceremony. Newly elected president Calle Simpson says "please join me in the Pledge of Allegiance." Elmer Schmitz and senior officers watch as the new officers close the celebration. Honorary members Gary and Virginia Merkel; Bill and Terri McCauley, Jeanenne Blevins, Robert and Kathlene Nolte listen as they are accepted as honorary members. Kristin McCauley pays back some of the many things taken from Schmitz' "secret cabinet." Photos by Crystal Harness.

The FFA's first advisor Mr. Saatoff spoke on the chapter while under his advisory. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Jill Merkel and Kristin McCauley give Elmer Schmitz some gifts to pay back all the things they have taken from his secret cabinet over the year. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Amber Lock receives a plaque from Kristin McCauley for chapter creed speaking. Photo by Crystal Harness.



FFA *What quality did FFA give you over the 50 years of FFA?*



"It taught me leadership qualities."

Julianne Blevins,
secretary



"Crafty ways of getting out of school."

Kyle Olson,
treasurer



"It gave me public speaking skills."

Justin Tilton,
Greenhand

FFA 50th Anniversary

Guests present at celebration

Pictured are FFA members from the past 50th years including many of the charter members. Some members even fit into their jackets. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Geoffrey Hargis speaks on the FFA PALS programs that many high school students help with. Photo by Crystal Harness.



President Jill Merkel opens the 50th Anniversary Celebration on Friday, April 27, 2001. Photo by Crystal Harness.



Walter Neibling, Class of 1973, talked about his trip to WLC, Washington Leadership Conference. Photo by Crystal Harness.



Conrad Clary, a charter member, speaks on the chapter and town during the 50's when the chapter was started. Photo by Crystal Harness.



"Taught me those qualities which an FFA member should possess."

**Kyle Jeschke,
Greenhand**



"FFA has increased my charm."

**Brett Neibling,
sophomore**



"FFA has a great influence on my speaking skills."

**Michael
Hunsaker,
Sophomore**

FFA

FFA is a major organization involving almost 60% of the students, who speak out in contests, at Barnwarming, and the annual chapter banquet.

"We had the best contest year. We were very successful individually and team wise and our chapter events were strong as ever."

Elmer Schmitz, Advisor



"I thought the year went well because everyone participated in all the events, and I had a really good time organizing the events."

Jill Merkel, president

Golden year one of the most interesting years

Greenhands

Left to right: Second Row: Molly Kinkead, Kyle Jeschke, Justin Tilton, Angie Stewart. Front Row: Tommy Moran, Steven Holt, Travis Green, Amber Lock.

Right: Kristin McCauley and Chad Simpson explain to the Highland 3rd graders about soybeans.

The students learned about the products that come from soybeans and soybean extracts. They even got to take home a bean bag animal filled with soybeans to display in their classroom.

The Day On The Farm took place at the Bodenhasen farm near Moscotah, KS. Highland was just one of the many FFA chapters helping to make the Day On The Farm a success.



Right: Mike Jones was one of the many students who took a chance with the hair dying experience. Some students dyed or cut or even permed their hair while in Mahattan for State Contest. They did this after many got back from some night contest. The front of the hotel rooms at the Motel 6 was the senior girls' beauty shop.



Highland FFA Chapter

Left to right Fifth Row: Justin Tilton, Thomas Beaman, Brett Neibling, Daren Stewart, Deven Yurth, Shayne Evans, Kyle Jeschke, Jon Edie. Fourth Row: Elmer Schmitz, Advisor; Kaleb Caudle, Chad Simpson, Cody Peters, Matt Cluck, Bryan Rhodd, Justin Clary, Eric Nolte, Mike Cluck. Third Row: Steven Holt, Molly Kinkead, Jason Nolte, Ashley Beaman, Chris Mooney, Lucas Keebler, Jana Collins, Caicey Jones, Shanon Davis, Mike Kafer. Second Row: Amber Diveley, Erinn Groeltz, Treka Moehle, Travis Green, Jennifer Davis, Kim McCauley, Angie Stewart, Tommy Moran, Amber Lock, Ashley Webb. Front Row: Callee Simpson, Pride Representative; Bradon Geiger, Sentinel; Sierra Covert, Reporter; Julianne Blevins, Secretary; Jill Merkel, President; Kristin McCauley, Vice-President; Kyle Olson, Treasurer; Amy Keller, Student Advisor; DeAnn McCauley, Stuco Representative.

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These pages by Sierra Covert.

Right: Amy Keller judges plants at the floriculture contest held at Sabatha. The floriculture team placed 3rd.



Below: The entomology participants stop to show off their plaques. A-team and B-team placed first.



Right: Kristin McCauley takes the time to donate blood at the semi-annual blood drive hosted by the FFA.



Below Left: Brandon Gieger tries to identify a tree.

Below: Mindee Peuker and Sierra Covert stop before a Cat Challenger at the National Convention Career Show.



Above: Callee Simpson helps second grader Taylor Martin during the PALS program.



Above: Kristin McCauley and Jill Merkel have a little fun touring Churchill Downs while in Louisville, KY for National Convention.



Above Right: The Nursey-Landscape team shows their fourth place A-team and 2nd place B-team finishes.

Right: The poultry team works on part of the contest.

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What's your favorite FFA contest or event?



"The beauty salon going on at State contest this year. I gave three people perms. It was such a random night, people from different chapters would show up and ask us to do their hair and stuff!"
Kristin McCauley, senior



"Dairy Cattle. My freshman year I pretty much dominated, but haven't been in it since."
Deven Yurth, junior



"Barnwarming because it was fun and exciting to watch."
Kim McCauley, sophomore



"National Creed, I am participating in State, and it really helped me out."
Amber Lock, freshman

Girls' Basketball

The season opener



The Streaks won the first game of the regular season against Oskaloosa 45-25. The girls went on to a 9-12 record.

Just say what you feel

The residents of Highland have never had a problem saying what they feel. When attending girls' basketball games, often times the sounds of Ted Collins yelling teamwork, or Jeannene Blevins whirling her white and blue towel around, or Lil Twombly waiving her rubber chicken in the air saying such things as, "Beat those Eagles!" will be heard. Highland has a rich history of a competitive spirit, and it doesn't look like that will end any time soon.



Two famous athletic supporters, Payton and Marti Leach cheer on the basketball team. Marti is a Highland alum and former HHS cheerleader.

The Team



Front Row: Kayla Dunlap, manager; Juli Blevins, Kristin McCauley, Jill Merkel, Jana Collins, Ashley Webb, and Haylee Dunlap, manager; Second Row: Cassie Zeit, manager; Emily Tharp, Angie Stewart, Shannon Davis, Callee Simpson, Molly Kinkead, Christina Dickerson, and Crystal Harness, manager; Back Row: Caicey Jones, Kim McCauley, Kristan Olson, Brad Bingesser, head coach; Marla Olson; assistant coach Sierra Covert, Heather Terry, and Amber Diveley.



Team Talk: What was your favorite moment this year.

Juli Blevins

My favorite moment was before a game when the assistant coach [Kevin Cook] of the WNBA team, the Houston Comets, gave us a pep talk.



Kristin McCauley

My least favorite moment was when I had to tell coach that I was going to Florida and would miss three days of practice. I was really scared of what he would do when I got back!



Kristan Olson

My favorite moment was beating Troy. There is nothing like putting the smack down on a Trojan.



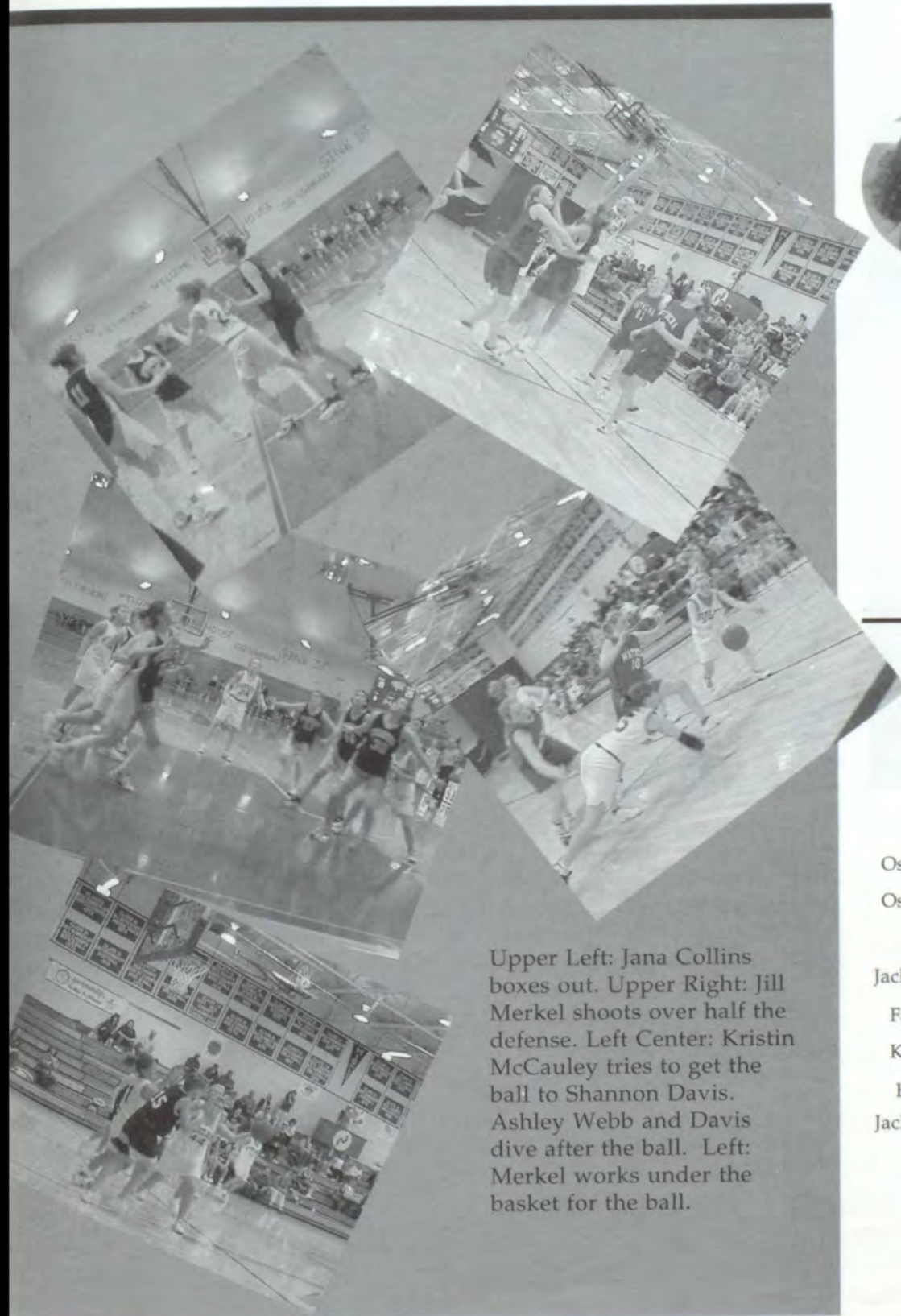
Jana Collins



My most embarrassing moment of the year is when I shot at the wrong basket and the Midway game. Thank goodness I didn't make it.

Collins Won the Following Awards

All County 1st
All League 1st
Wichita Eagle-Beacon, Topeka Capital Journal, and Kansas Sports Magazine
Honorable Mention



Upper Left: Jana Collins boxes out. Upper Right: Jill Merkel shoots over half the defense. Left Center: Kristin McCauley tries to get the ball to Shannon Davis. Ashley Webb and Davis dive after the ball. Left: Merkel works under the basket for the ball.

Scoreboard

Wins	Losses
Oskaloosa 45-25	P. Ridge 35-37
Oskaloosa 40-31	Troy 36-44
Elwood 66-30	Horton 26-60
Jackson Hts 52-35	JCN 46-75
Falls City 43-40	Valley Falls 38-54
Kickapoo 52-22	Midway 42-50
Hanover 63-57	ACCCHS 38-41
Jackson Hts 44-36	Midway 49-52
K.S.D. 58-34	P. Ridge 36-62
	McLouth 34-50
	Wathena 25-51
	Centralia 32-73



Boys' Basketball

Completing the Play



Deven Yurth played on the varsity squad. Yurth was a strong post player averaging 15 points per game. Photos by Ashley Webb.

Parental Support

"I was very pleased with the team's performance this year, and I wish them luck in the near future," said Chad Simpson, senior. Simpson received first team all-county, first team all-league, all tournament team at McLouth, and Wichita Eagle 1A honorable mention. Deven Yurth, junior, received second all-county, honorable mention all-league, all tournament team at McLouth, and Wichita Eagle 1A honorable mention. Daren Stewart, junior, also received second team all-county, and all tournament team at McLouth. Both, Yurth and Stewart, will be returning next year for their final high school basketball season.



Arnold and Debbie McLain anticipate the next moment during the Horton game. Debbie is the mother of Chad Simpson. Photo by Sierra Covert.

Team Unity



Front Row: Brandon Geiger, Chad Simpson, Justin Clary, Jason Nolte, Steven Holt, DeAnn McCauley, manager; Second Row: Aaron Powell, manager; Justin Tilton, Cody Peters, Matt Cluck, Brett Neibling, Mike Jones, Michael Hunsaker; Back Row: Thomas Beaman, manager; Chris Mooney, Deven Yurth, Daren Stewart, Kyle Jeschke, Eric Nolte, Head Coach Ron Shelton. Photo by Lifetouch.



What was the high point of this season?

Michael Hunsaker

"When we played Midway because we all were playing up to our potential."



Cody Peters

"I felt like beating Troy by ten points at the first of the season was a good accomplishment for the team."



Daren Stewart

"When we won the consolation round in the McLouth tournament. I was also excited when I won the all-tournament team."



Coach Shelton's Farewell



Ron Shelton, head basketball coach, will no longer be coaching at HHS. Shelton said, "I will miss being around the boys and not participating in their extracurricular activities."

"My most memorable moment in my coaching career was winning the first game of the season at Highland, the team had a 1-19 record the previous year."

Shelton will not be leaving Highland completely, just the coaching position. "I decided to stop coaching because my son will be a freshman next year and I would like to watch him play. If Highland ever needed me in the near future, I would accept the position."



Scoreboard

Wins	Losses
McLouth 68-44	Oskaloosa 55-76
Horton 57-43	V. Falls 43-84
Troy 67-57	P. Ridge 41-52
Horton 64-59	JCN 40-47
Elwood 61-51	V. Falls 42-68
McLouth 70-55	Perry 50-70
ACCHS 52-49	Midway 45-60
McLouth 63-35	P. Ridge 65-81
Wathena 73-54	Hanover 53-76
Elwood 61-48	Jackson Hts. 68-78
	Midway 42-66
	Midway 43-58

Clockwise from top left corner: Deven Yurth tips of the game against Oskaloosa. Top Right: Head Coach Ron Shelton gives instruction to Jason Nolte and Chris Mooney during one of the home games. Players often have to get closer to Shelton because of all of the noise. Bottom Right: Cody Peters defends a Valley Falls player. Bottom Left: Daren Stewart uses his basketball form to shoot a free throw during the Horton game. Middle left: Brett Neibling soars higher than the Oskaloosa defenders to finish his jumpshot. Photos by Sierra Covert.



On February 16, the crowd watched the King and Queen candidates walk out onto the court to the song "Hanging by a Moment" by Lifehouse. Cheers and applause rang out as Aaron Twombly and Juli Blevins were announced king and queen.

Right: King and Queen of Courts, Aaron Twombly and Juli Blevins. Photo by Lifetouch.



Top right: Thomas Beaman wears his newly decorated hat on Signing Day during Spirit Week. Photo by Juli Blevins.

Middle Right: Steven Holt admires his signed T-shirt, shown off by Caicey Jones. Photo by Juli Blevins.

Bottom: King and Queen Royalty, Kyle Olson and Jana Collins, Jason Nolte and Amy Keller, Chad Simpson and Samantha Collins. Photos by Lifetouch.



Twist and Shout *What do you remember about the King and*



"Jennifer tried to steal my boyfriend by dirty dancing with him."

Treka Moehle,
Senior



"Scott [Cole] gave me 'the look' while he was dancing with Treka."

Jennifer Davis,
Senior



"The dance was fun, and the DJ was good."

Shannon
Davis, Junior

King and Queen of Courts

The announcement of king and queen leaves candidates with 'so much to say.'

King and Queen of Courts Royalty watch the rest of the basketball game against Wathena. Photo by Kristin McCauley.

Molly Kinkead escorts flowergirl Megan Larson and crownbearers Trae and Tanner Shelton onto the court. Photo by Crystal Harness.



King candidates Aaron Twombly and Kyle Olson show their spirit by sporting cheerleading skirts at the pep rally. Photo by Crystal Harness.

King candidate Jason Nolte practices carrying the queen across the court with the help of Andrew Gilfillan at the pep rally. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Kyle Jeschke and Steven Holt get jiggy with it at the dance held after the game. They weren't the only freshmen there showing off their moves. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Queen of Courts dance?



"The decorations at the dance were cool. I liked the balloons."

Liz Rivers,
Sophomore



"The dance was exciting, and it was the first dance where people actually danced."

Kaleb Caudle,
Sophomore



"I actually got out on the dance floor and danced!"

Mike Jones,
Senior

Front Row: Josh Saunders, Jessica Lackey, Lesley Harness, Chelsey Fritch; Second Row: Dustin Libel, Kole McCauley, Brandon Terry, Kevin Soloman, Brandon Cluck, Benjamin Gilmore, Samantha Wigle; Third Row: Heather Gildersleeve, Kelly French, Billie Hopkins, Christena Gilfillan, Jonathan Stonebarger, Paige Smith, Albert Edie, Lacy Sullivan, Brandon Leblin, Megan Holt, Caley Dorrell, Jon Edie, John Weis. Photo by Lifetouch.



Front Row: Elizabeth Rivers, Steven Holt, Caicey Jones, Heather Gildersleeve, Julianne Blevins, DeAnn McCauley, Crystal Harness, Liz Carwell, Christina Dickerson; Second Row: Kristan Olson, Jana Collins, Jason Nolte, Chris Mooney, Janice Stonebarger, Andrew Gilfillan, Lucas Keebler, Heather Terry; Third Row: Emily Tharp, Kaleb Caudle, Aaron Powell, Mike Jones, Kyle Olson, K.C. Williams, Thomas Beaman, Michael Hunsaker, Ashley Beaman; Back Row: Matthew Cluck, Victor Owen, Brett Neibling, Deven Yurth, Michael Stonebarger, Daren Stewart, Samantha Collins, Brian Reiter, Kyle Jeschke. Photo by Lifetouch.



Caicey Jones, Ashley Beaman, and Jana Collins, three members of the girls' ensemble, warm up before the DVL Music Contest. The ensemble received a I at Regionals and a II rating at State. Photo by Crystal Harness.



Front Row: Heather Terry, Heather Gildersleeve; Back Row: Mike Jones, Jana Collins, Ashley Beaman. Collins received a I rating at both State and Regional contests. Photo by Lifetouch.



Expression Through Music

Band and Choir



"I love to sing, but one of my favorite parts of choir is the stretches we do to warm up."

Ashley Beaman



"Choir this year was very tiring. It left me worn out but striving for more."

Mike Jones



"Choir makes me want to add food coloring to the armadillo under the chair, behind the typewriter."

Steven Holt



"[Band and choir] provide opportunities for self-expression, creativity, and achievement."

Yvette Cook, Director



Siblings Kyle and Kristan Olson argue about the T-shirts they are designing for Swing Choir tour. Photo by Treka Moehle.



Kaleb Caudle reviews his music before the DVL Music Contest at Highland Community College. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Heather Gildersleeve waits for her cue to join. Gildersleeve received a I rating at Regional music and a II at State contest for her trumpet solo. Photo by Crystal Harness. Yvette Cook leads the marching band down Main Street in the Halloween Parade. Photo by Kristan Olson.

One of only two high school members in band, Jonathan Edie began playing the clarinet in fifth grade. Photo by Erinn Groeltz.

Tapering Off



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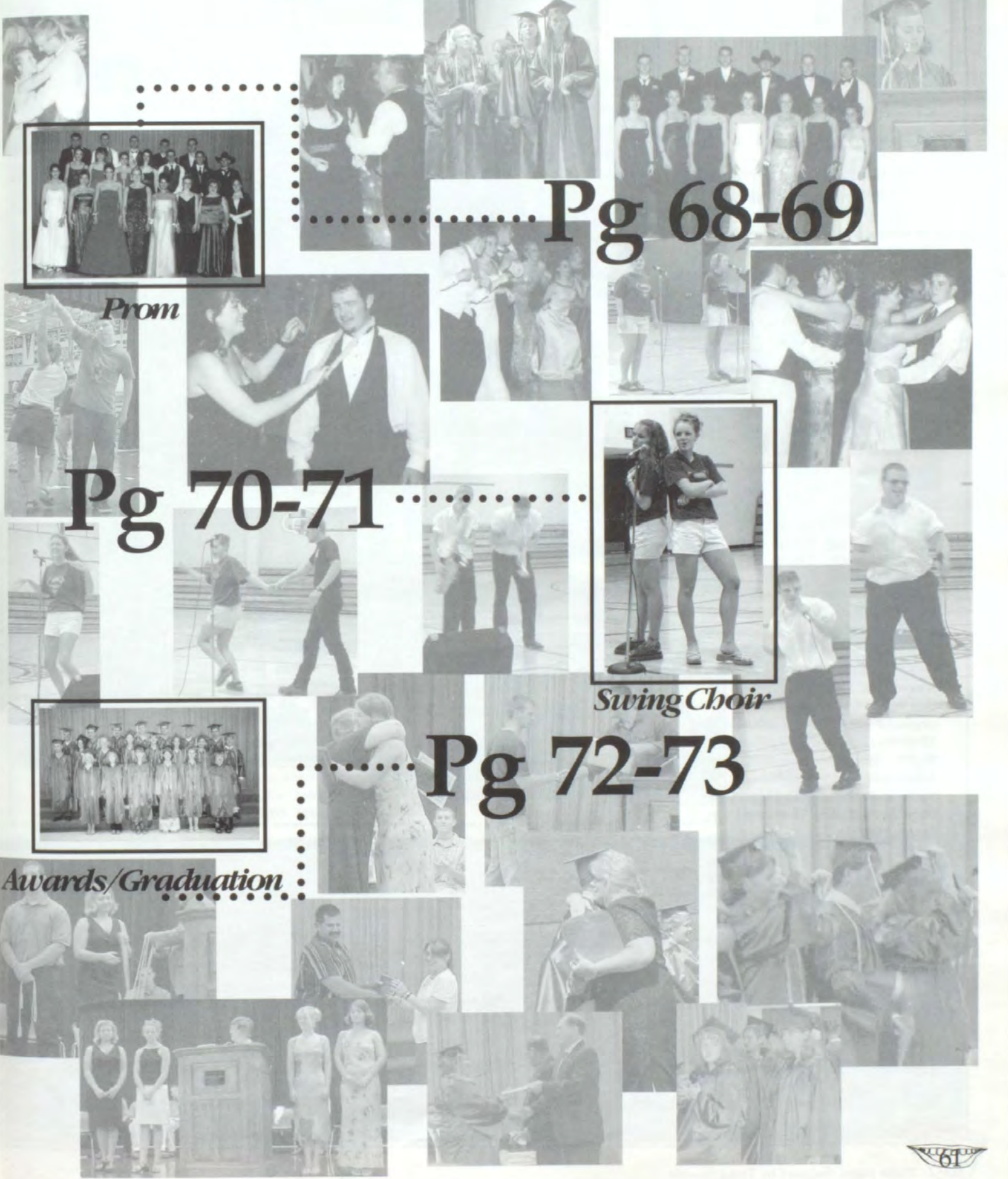
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Awards/Graduation

Going from being surrounded by farms and dirt roads to being overwhelmed by skyscrapers and honking taxis can create some interesting things to talk about.

Top Left: Seventeen of the 21 seniors flew to Chicago for senior trip.

Top Right: Jennifer Davis tries to listen to others' conversations in the next room, one of the many activities done after curfew hours. Photo by Erinn Groeltz.

Left to Right: Jennifer Davis shows off her new moves on how to ride the bus in the city. Photo by Kristin McCauley.

Jill Merkel and Jennifer Davis reach to the top of the Sears Tower. Photo by Ashley Webb.

One of the major stops on the trip was visiting the Field Museum. Photo by Treka Moehle.

While many went shopping, Justin Smith took six of the seniors to the Art Institute. Photo by Justin Smith.

Left: Riding a bus everywhere was a major adaptation while traveling in Chicago. Photo by Treka Moehle.

Right: The "Underground Adventure" at the Field Museum included riding huge bugs through dirt. Photo by Treka Moehle.



So much to do... so little time...



"The list of things you can do with a pickle is endless."

Photo by Kristin McCauley.

Juli Blevins



"I love how we got pictures of people doing stupid things involving food and a body part." Photo by Jennifer Davis.

Treka Moehle



"So many video games, not enough sleep." Photo by Ashley Webb.

Andrew Gilfillan

Senior Sneak

Something to talk about...

One of the past times while staying at the hotel was chilling on the sofas in the lobby.

Eating at an authentic German resaurant, such as The Berghoff, is an interesting experience.

Liz Carwell, Jana Collins, Treka Moehle, Erinn Groeltz, and Jennifer Davis realize why Chicago is known as the "windy city" as they huddle together outside the Navy Pier.



There was plenty to talk about after roaming the Field Museum for several hours. Andrew Gilfillan and Jon Edie discuss some of the things that were seen in the museum. Photo by Treka Moehle.

After walking around the Field Museum for several hours, all anyone wanted to do was sit, including, Jennifer Davis, Juli Blevins, and Liz Carwell. Photo by Treka Moehle.

Samantha Collins, Jill Merkel, Kristin McCauley, Ashley Webb, and Juli Blevins enjoy the IMAX, which was just one of the highlights of the Museum of Science and Industry.



"We all had to entertain ourselves somehow while we waited around!" Photo by Kristin McCauley.

Jana Collins



"The highlight of the trip was definitely the doorman at the hotel. The Sears Tower was cool too." Photo by Treka Moehle.

Jennifer Davis



"I was so hungry, I inhaled my food!" Photo by Kristin McCauley.

Ashley Webb

Track

On your marks,
get set, Go!



Photo by Kristan Olson



Photo by Kristin McCauley



Photo by Kristan Olson

Top: Amber Diveley runs the two mile at the Doniphan County Track Meet. Middle: Mike Jones warms up for the high jump at the Highland night relays. Bottom: Molly Kinkead runs the 4x400 at the Doniphan County track meet.

The numbers say it all

The track team was small but mighty. Even though they did not have the numbers, they had the talent.

The Highland Night Relays were very successful with 17 teams participating. The boys placed 10th over all. The girls placed 6th over all.

Cody Peters, Jana Collins, and Callee Simpson went to the K. T. Woodman Invitational at Wichita State. Collins earned second in the 100, third in the 200, and second in the 400. Simpson won eighth in the 1600, and second in the 3200. Peters won fourth in 400 and sixth in the 200.

Collins, Simpson, Peters, Molly Kinkead, and Amber Diveley all made it to Regionals. Collins went on to State.



Jana Collins hands off the baton to Molly Kinkead during the 4x400 meter relay. Photo by Krisin McCauley. Collins got first at Regionals in the 100, 200, and 400.

The small but the mighty



Front: Amber Diveley, Tommy Moran, DeAnn McCauley, Steven Holt, Callee Simpson. Middle Row: Heather Gildersleeve, Jana Collins, Kaleb Caudle, Sierra Covert, Molly Kinkead, Andrew Gilfillan. Back Row: Mike Jones, Kyle Jeschke, Daren Stewart, Coach Justin Smith, Deven Yurth, Cody Peters, Eric Nolte. Not pictured: Coach Angie Eberley. Photo by Lifetouch.

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These pages by Kristan Olson.

What was your favorite part of track?

Sierra Covert

"The best part about track was the scenery."



Molly Kinkead

"My favorite moment was placing at the county meet."



Heather Gildersleeve

"My favorite moment was at Horton's track meet when I started out sprinting the first 200, then died the last 200."



Track Star



Jana Collins, in front of course, was the track star for the season. Collins placed at every track meet. Collins's events were the 100, 200, 400, and the 4x400 meter relay. At Regionals, Collins got first in the 100, 200, and 400. Collins was the only one to make it to State where she earned fifth in the 100, fourth in the 200, and second in the 400.

Coach Angie Eberley at the Wathena relays.



Place	1	2	3
Collins			
100	2	4	1
school record			
12.42; State:5			
200	6	1	1
school record			
26.05; State:4			
400	6	1	
school record			
1:03.2; State:2			
4x100	1		
4x400	1	2	
Simpson			
1600	3	2	
3200	2	3	2
4x100	1		
4x400	1	2	
Kinkead			
400		2	
800		2	
4x100		1	
4x400		1	2
Diveley			
3200	1	1	
4x400	1	2	

Place	1	2	3
Covert			
Shot			3
Gildersleeve			
4x100			1
4x400			2
Caudle			
long jump			3
100			2
200			1
4 x100			2
Medley1			
Peters			
400			2
200			1
4x100			2
Medley1			
Yurth			
4x100			2
Medley1			
Jones			
4x100			2
Medley1			

Clockwise: Steven Holt passes the baton to Kyle Jeschke during the 4x800 meter relay at the Midway Invitational. Photo by Kristan Olson.

Eric Nolte runs his last lap of the 4x800 meter relay at the Midway Invitational. Photo by Kristan Olson.

Callee Simpson runs the two mile at the Midway Invitational. She won third in this event. Photo by Kristan Olson

Callee Simpson hands off to Amber Diveley during the 4x400 meter relay at the Doniphan County track meet. Photo by Kristan Olson.

DeAnn McCauley throws the shot-put at the Doniphan County track meet. Photo by Kristan Olson.



Ashley Webb adds some finishing touches to her pencil and watercolor drawing. The drawing was a graduation present for one of her friends. Photo by Treka Moehle.

Far right: Rachel Wigle adds to her pot piece by piece by adding coils to the rim of the pot. Wigle earned an honorable mention award at the Highland Art Day for her graphite drawing, *Flowabet*. Photo by Kristan Olson.

Right: K.C. Williams readies himself for another day of work on his clay creation, *The Chaos Beast*. "Even I had no clue what it was when I started it," said Williams. Photo by Crystal Harness.



Bryan Rhodd, winner of a blue ribbon at the Albrecht-Kemper Art Contest, creates some eyes for his newest creation. Rhodd also won a books and tuition scholarship from Highland Community College for his painting, *Blur*. Photo by Crystal Harness.

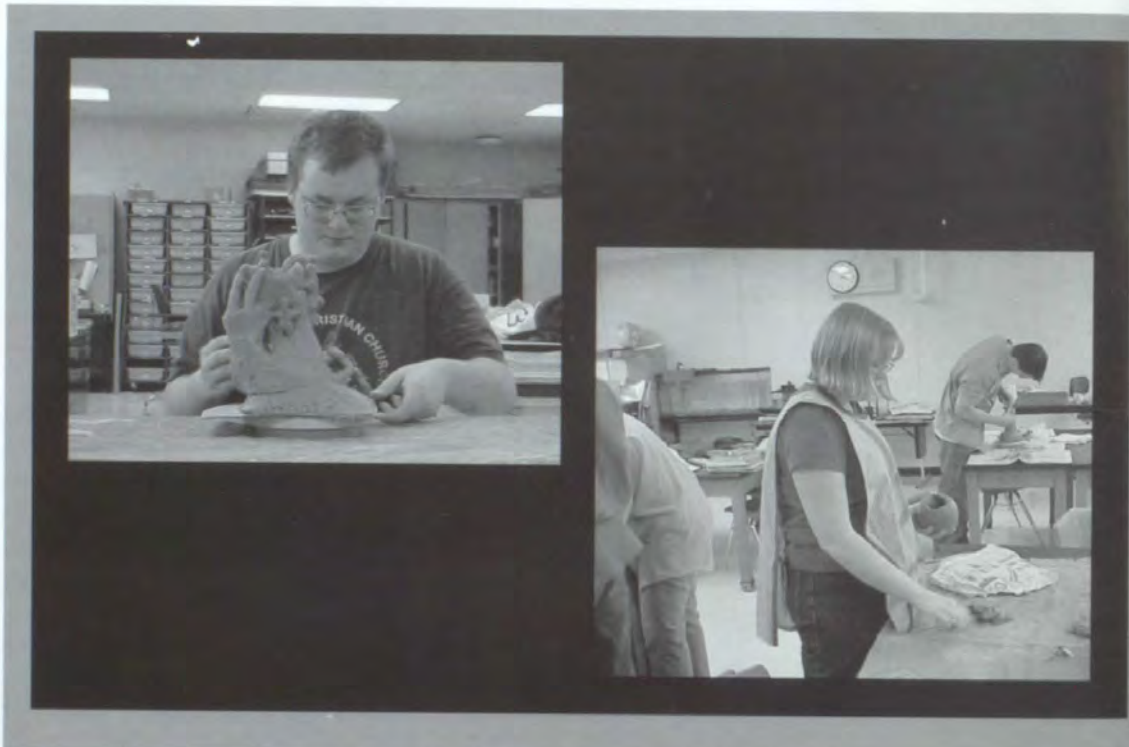
Eric Nolte touches up his pot by carefully smoothing out any imperfections. "Clay is the best form of art because you can create whatever you want," said Nolte. Photo by Kristan Olson.



Justin Tilton carves an intricate design into the top of the sculpted image of his own head. Photo by Crystal Harness.



Right: Matt Cluck compares his face with the four likenesses of it used in his clay creation *Mount Cluckmore*. Cluck won both a first place medal at DVL Art Contest, and an honorable mention at the Highland Art Day with this project. Photo by Ashley Webb.



Art class includes everything from clay, to graphite, to paint, to batik

Tactile Art



"I think we did about average this year, but you have to remember that this is a very young class," said Linda Joseph.



"Art is good because even if you're not very good at it, you can have fun and express yourself," said Cody Peters.



"I made the sculpture, *Mount Cluckmore* because I am just as important as any of those presidents on Mount Rushmore!" said Matt Cluck.



"I have found throughout my experiences that art has a tendency to cleanse the soul," said K.C. Williams.



Teamwork is very important when it comes to tall clay competitions. Eric Nolte reaches for a simple piece of clay that will build their tower even taller while Caicey Jones works to strengthen the base of the structure. Photo by Kim McCauley.

Top left: Michael Hunsaker gives Erin French some advice on the creation of her ceramic horse. "She really needed my expert advice to get the horse to stand on all four legs," said Hunsaker. Photo by Kristan Olson.

Middle: Ashley Gray builds her pot upwards. Gray's pot was the largest clay project built by this class. Photo by Kristan Olson.

Erin French works to strengthen the base of her very tall pot. "I named the pot after a poem I wrote called *Single Rose*. Photo by Crystal Harness.

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No fights in the Junior Class over decorating!

With great success from the junior class, everyone was able to enjoy a great evening.

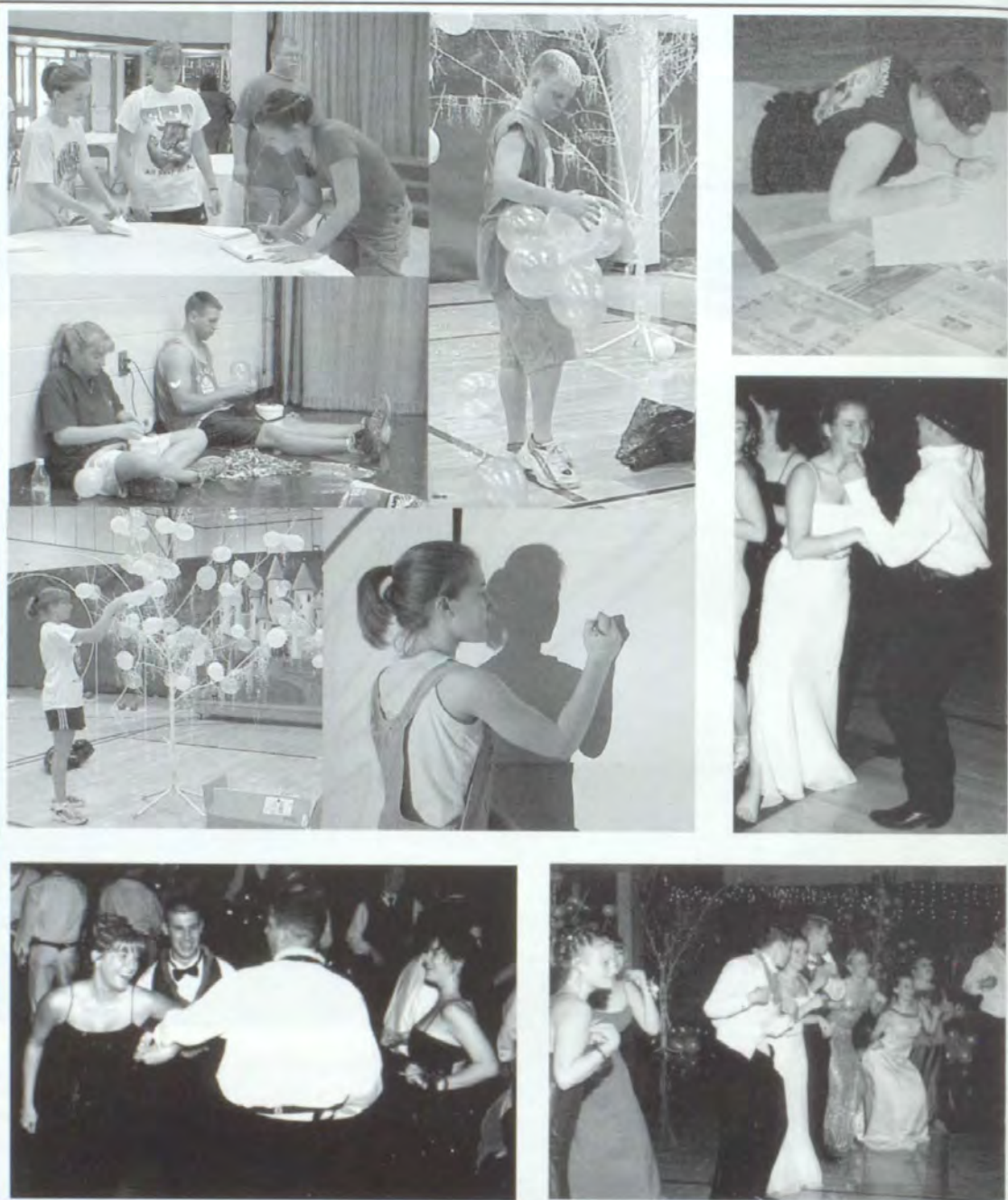
Clockwise from top left Christina Dickerson, Shannon Davis, Bryan Rhodd, Heather Gildersleeve, Chris Mooney, Christina Dickerson, Shannon Davis, DeAnn McCauley, and Daren Stewart properly folding napkins, blowing and tying balloons, decorating trees, and etching tree silhouettes to make the arches. Photos by Donna Parish.

Top far right: Lucas Keebler carves the ball tree silhouettes for the balloon arches. Photo by Donna Parish.

Middle far right: Ashley Beaman and Brooks Rawles get down and boogie. Photo by Lifetouch.

Shannon Davis grabs a partner and do-si-do's. Photo by Lifetouch.

Bottom far right: Students shake their tails during the chicken dance. Photo by Lifetouch.



Asking for more *What sticks out most in your mind*



"The fountain was awesome, and it was my first time to dance."

Shayne Evans,
senior



"Getting served a hot dog."

Amy Keller,
senior



"The punch bowl was cool looking, especially how it poured out the punch."

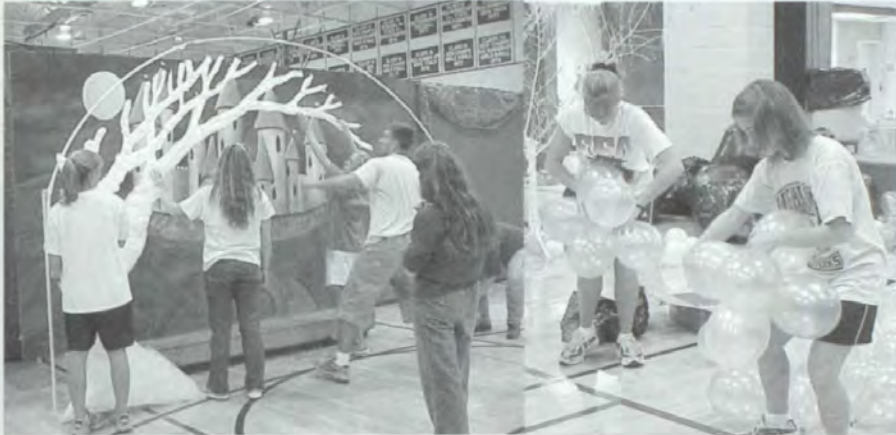
Jon Edie,
senior

Prom

"I Could Not Ask For More"

The junior class and Rhonda Harness creating the balloon arch and tying balloons together. Photos by Crystal Harness.

Ashley Webb, Casey Vaught, Samantha Collins, Juli Blevins, and Kristin McCauley limbo with the assistance of Scott Cole's cane. Photo by Lifetouch.



Seniors: Back Row: Shayne Evans, Aaron Twombly, Kyle Olson, Mike Jones, Jon Edie; Second Row: Jana Collins, Jennifer Davis, Erinn Groeltz, Amy Keller, Jason Nolte, Andrew Gilfillan, Nick Cluck; Front Row: Casey Vaught, Kristin McCauley, Samantha Collins, Jill Merkel, Juli Blevins, Ashley Webb, Liz Carwell, Treka Moehle. Photo by Lifetouch.

Scott Cole and Treka Moehle squack and cluck while doing the chicken dance. Photo by Lifetouch.

Juniors: Back Row: Chris Mooney, Deven Yurth, Daren Stewart, Brooks Rawles, Bryan Rhodd, Lucas Keebler; Front Row: Crystal Harness, Heather Gildersleeve, Shannon Davis, Ashley Beaman, Callee Simpson, DeAnn McCauley, Christina Dickerson. Photo by Lifetouch.

about Prom?



"Casey, Juli, Jennifer, and I singing and dancing with the blown up guitars on stage."
Kristin McCauley,
senior



"Going bowling instead of paint balling because the owner got kicked out of his house."
Crystal Harness,
junior



"When Brooks and I were dancing and he threw me on the ground."
Heather
Gildersleeve,
junior

Swing Choir

The 2001 Swing Choir got down and boogied on tour at Hiawatha, Pleasant Ridge, McLouth, Midway, and Highland. Songs from the Beatles and *Grease* got everybody grooving.

"Swing Choir is a good experience for everyone. You get to do a lot of things and have fun doing it."

Crystal Harness



"Swing Choir is an enjoyable experience because you get to interact with people and learn to perform in front of audiences."

Kristan Olson

Swing Choir gets jiggy with it on tour:



Getting Down to the Music

Swing Choir pairs Brian Reiter and Juli Blevins, Lucas Keebler and Crystal Harness, and Kyle Olson and Jana Collins shake their groove things to "Twist and Shout" by the Beatles. Other songs by the Beatles that they performed were "I Wanna Hold Your Hand" and "Can't Buy Me Love." Ashley Beaman also performed "Yesterday," another Beatles song. Photo by Ashley Webb.



Taking A Break

Juli Blevins, Lucas Keebler, and Crystal Harness, swing choir members, chill while Ashley Beaman sings "Yesterday" by Paul McCartney. Beaman also sang "When You Say Nothing At All" by Allison Krauss later on the show. "I thought Ashley did a very good job," said Crystal Harness. "I was impressed by the way she could hit the lower notes." Photo by Cheryl Rasmussen.



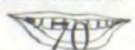
Movin' On Up

Mike Jones gives Jana Collins a lift while Kyle Olson, Thomas Beaman, and Steven Holt dance around them during "Respect" by Aretha Franklin. This ended a powerful show that consisted of "Can't Buy Me Love," "I Wanna Hold Your Hand," "Yesterday," "Twist and Shout," "The Greatest Love of All," "Little Red Riding Hood," "Soul Man," "You're The One That I Want," "When You Say Nothing At All," "He Walked On Water," "Can't Fight the Moonlight," and finally "Respect." Photo by Cheryl Rasmussen.



Hanging Out

The Swing Choir group hangs out at the New Theatre Restaurant in Kansas City on May 3. Back Row: Aaron Twombly, Kyle Olson, Thomas Beaman, Brian Reiter, Kaleb Caudle, and Mike Jones. Second Row: Lucas Keebler, Heather Gildersleeve, Samantha Collins, Caicey Jones, Crystal Harness, Ashley Beaman, and Jana Collins. Front Row: Steven Holt, Juli Blevins, Kristan Olson, and Heather Terry. Photo by Cheryl Rasmussen.



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Right: Ashley Beaman, Jana Collins, Heather Gildersleeve, and Crystal Harness sing "You're The One That I Want," by Olivia Newton-John. Photo by Cheryl Rasmussen.



Lower left: Heather Gildersleeve and Crystal Harness escort Brooks Rawles to the floor during the Grease song, "You're the One That I Want." Photo by Erinn Groeltz and Ashley Webb.



Below: Yvette Cook, swing choir director, smiles at swing choir performers during a rehearsal. Photo by Kristin McCauley.



Lower Right: Jana Collins asks for a little "Respect" by Aretha Franklin. This song ended the show with a bang. Photo by Ashley Webb.



Below: Swing Choir guys howl and huddle around Little Red Riding Hood on tour at Midway. Photo by Cheryl Rasmussen.



Above: Brian Reiter kneels and sings to Juli Blevins while practicing "Can't Buy Me Love" by the Beatles at one of their many rehearsals. Photo by Kristin McCauley.

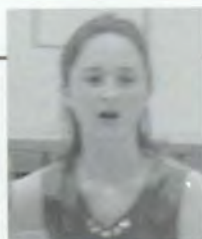


Above: Kaleb Caudle, Brian Reiter, Juli Blevins, Lucas Keebler, and Crystal Harness shake a leg to "Respect." Photo by Erinn Groeltz.



Left: Juli Blevins, Kristan Olson, and Heather Terry belt out "You're the One That I Want" from Grease. Photo by Erinn Groeltz and Ashley Webb.

What was the most enjoyable moment on tour?



"When Jana spilled the Dr. Pepper all over me at Taco John's."
Heather Terry



"At Pleasant Ridge when we got a standing ovation and they wanted our autographs."
Kristan Olson



"The dinner theater or afterwards when we watched *Miss Congeniality*."
Brian Reiter



"At Pleasant Ridge, we were cleaning up and had to say, 'No, seriously, we have to go!'"
Crystal Harness



Other Awards

Senior Scholar Athlete:

Jana Collins

Senior Sportmanship:

Juli Blevins

All Around Student:

Juli Blevins

Outstanding Musician:

Heather Gildersleeve

I DARE YOU:

Christina Dickerson

Crystal Harness

Right: Principal Cheryl Rasmussen gives her thanks and gratitude to Donna Parish for her 19 years of dedicated service in the journalism department. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Above Right: Jill Merkel receives her Salutatorian award. Valedictorians were Erinn Groeltz and Jana Collins. Photo by Kristan Olson.

Far Right: Aaron Twombly smiles proudly wearing his KSPA State first place medal in infographics. He also won the Senior Citizenship award along with Ashley Webb. Photo by Crystal Harness..

Right: Andrew Gilfillan tells the tale of the Senior class in his "Seinfeld style." Photo by Kristan Olson.

Far Right: Casey Vaught, Jennifer Davis, and Treka Moehle share a hearty laugh during the Senior class history. Photo by Crystal Harness.



Senior Speak *What is your most memorable moment at*



"Graduation, when all of us were crying as we handed flowers to our parents."

Erinn Groeltz,
senior



"I will never forget the 'hair salon' that our FFA chapter had at State Contest."

Juli Blevins,
senior



"I about won the 200 meter dash at State track."

Jana Collins,
senior



Graduation & Awards

'So much to say,' but so little time.

The graduating class of 2001: Back Row: Chad Simpson, Jon Edie, Shayne Evans, Aaron Twombly, Kyle Olson, Mike Jones, Jason Nolte. Second Row: Nick Cluck, Amy Keller, Jill Merkel, Samantha Collins, Casey Vaught, Jana Collins, Kristin McCauley, Andrew Gilfillan. Front Row: Ashley Webb, Treka Moehle, Jennifer Davis, Juli Blevins, Erinn Groeltz, Liz Carwell. Photo by Lifetouch.

Amy Keller, Jana Collins, Jill Merkel, Casey Vaught, and Samantha Collins anxiously await the beginning of the graduation ceremony. Photo by Crystal Harness.



Liz Carwell hugs her mother during the presentation of roses. The crowd breaks down into tears during this emotional event. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Juli Blevins, Andrew Gilfillan, and Treka Moehle adjust their tassels with the rest of the senior graduates. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Nick Cluck and Jon Edie receive hugs, gifts, cards, and congratulations after the ceremony. Photo by Crystal Harness.

Highland High School?

"The bandana trio from extrava-ganza."

Amy Keller,
senior

"When Casey brought the fast machine to school..."

Jennifer Davis,
senior

"...and the look on Kyle Jeschke's face when it went off!"

Casey Vaught,
senior

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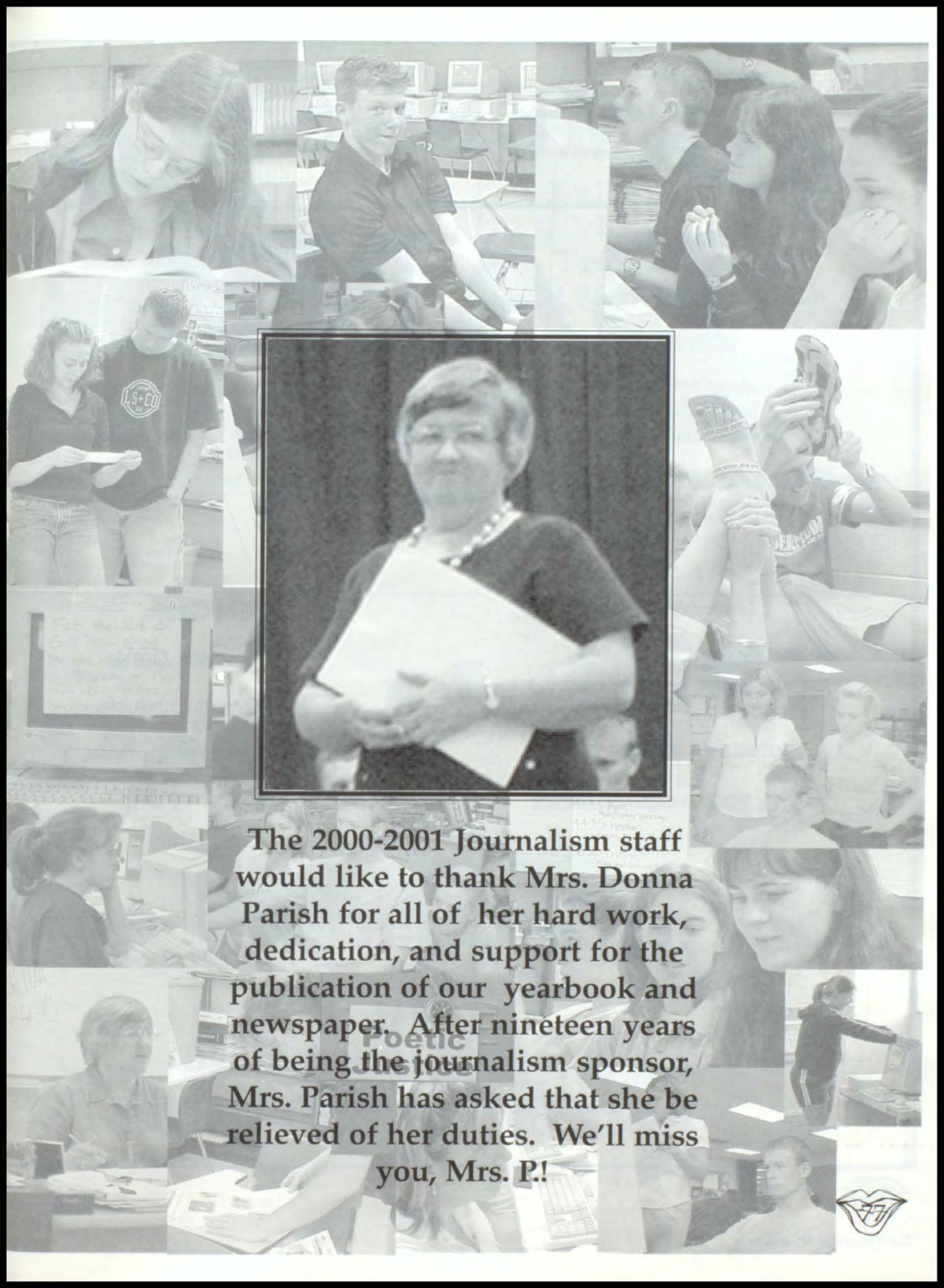
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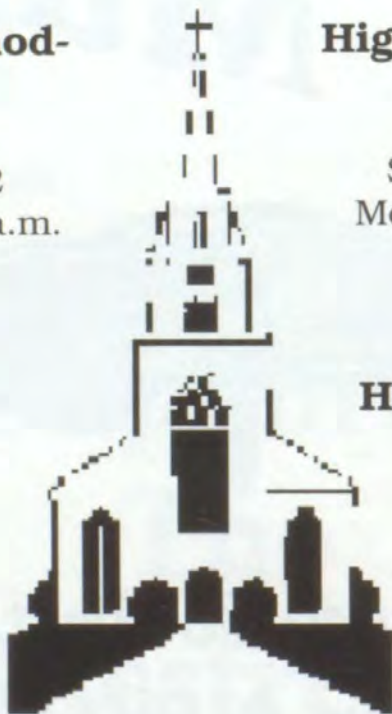
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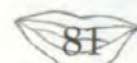
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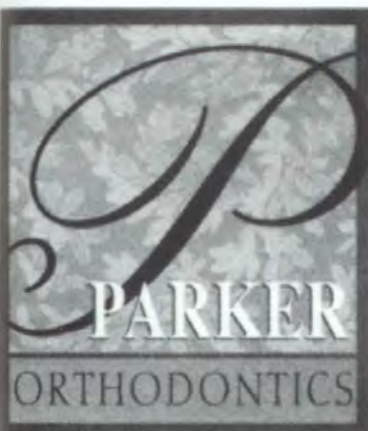


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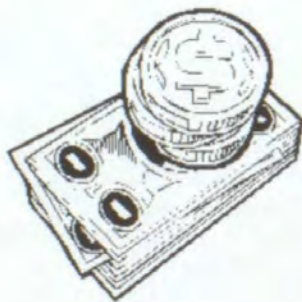
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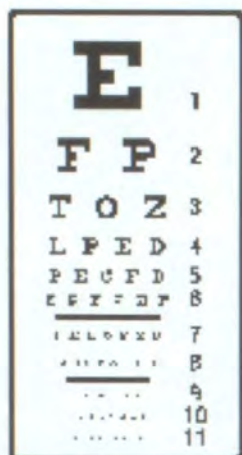
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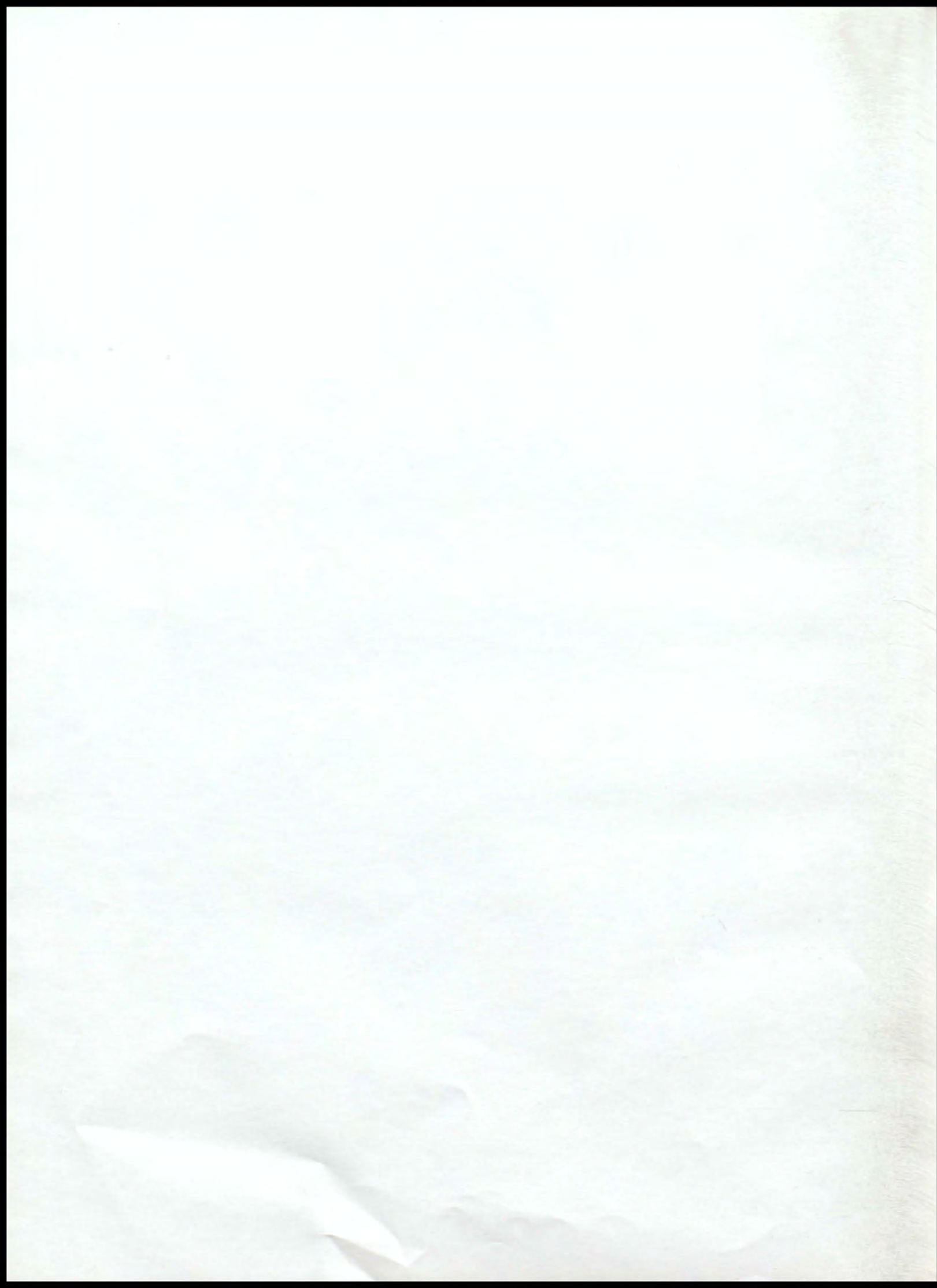
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▲ Gas prices soar across Europe. Heavy taxation policies in France and England cause massive protests and transportation blockades. Both governments eventually promise relief.

✓ The Millennium Bridge, a footbridge across the River Thames connecting London's St. Paul Cathedral with the Tate Modern Art Gallery, opens in June. It is the first bridge to be built over the Thames in 100 years.



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▲ Former KGB agent Vladimir Putin is sworn into office as Russia's new president in May 2000, succeeding long-time leader Boris Yeltsin. Despite fears of an authoritarian style, Putin's public approval ratings remain high.



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▲ Floods in Southeast Asia are caused by days of pounding rain. Millions are forced to leave their homes and more than a thousand people die in the region's worst flooding in decades.



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▲ President Clinton travels to Southeast Asia in November to help mend relations between the United States and Vietnam. He is the first U.S. president to visit Vietnam since the end of the war in 1975.



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▲ A cable car carrying skiers and snowboarders in Austria catches fire inside a tunnel, killing more than 150 people on board. It is the worst Alpine disaster in the country's history.



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▲ Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic is ousted from office in October, ending 13 years of violent rule. Vojislav Kostunica becomes Yugoslavia's first democratically elected president.



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◀ Australian street artists called "Strange Fruit" perform gravity-defying feats around the world. The performers float above the audience on 15-foot fiberglass poles.

President Clinton makes a last-ditch effort to broker a Middle East peace deal before his term ends in January 2001 by drafting a plan for leaders of both Israel and Palestine to review. Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian Yasser Arafat agree to review Clinton's proposal, but no deal is signed before month's end.

A Singapore Airlines jumbo jet crashes during takeoff in Taiwan, killing 81 of the 179 people on board. In a blinding rainstorm the pilot uses the wrong runway and collides with construction equipment.



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▲ Canada mourns the death of former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau, who served the country for nearly 16 years. Trudeau, who was 80, is remembered for his flamboyant style and his commitment to keeping Canada a single nation.



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▲ Two hundred North and South Koreans separated from family members since the 1950-1953 Korean war reunite in August. The four-day visits are a goodwill gesture by both countries' leaders, who met for the first time in June.

▼ In August, the Russian nuclear submarine *Kursk* sinks to the bottom of the Barents Sea after an unexplained explosion. All 118 crew members are killed.



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AIDS reaches epidemic proportions in southern Africa. Leaders and citizens throughout the world conduct a massive educational campaign on World AIDS Day December 1 to teach people about the disease that is killing 6,000 sub-Saharan Africans each day.

Uganda is struck by an occurrence of the deadly Ebola virus that is linked to more than 100 deaths. The outbreak is traced to a Gulu woman who died in September and whose body infected other people during the ritual cleansing of the dead.



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▲ In January 2001, a 7.9 magnitude earthquake devastates Gujarat in western India. The huge quake causes an estimated \$5.5 billion in damages and kills more than 20,000 people.



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▲ In August, Somalia elects its first president in nine years. President Abdiqasim Salad Hassan promises to bring peace and economic recovery to the African nation.



Wesley Boccia/Liaison

▲ Former Coca-Cola executive Vicente Fox, of the National Action Party, is elected president of Mexico in July, ending the Institutional Revolutionary Party's 71-year reign.



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▲ More than 150 world leaders meet at the U.N. Millennium Summit in September to discuss war, poverty, disease and other global problems. The meeting is the largest gathering of world leaders in history.



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▲ In July, an Air France Concorde supersonic jet catches fire and crashes outside Paris, killing 113 people. The crash is blamed on metal debris which punctured the tires and damaged the fuel tanks.

▼ The worst wave of Middle Eastern violence in years erupts between Israelis and Palestinians, leaving more than 350 dead. A visit by Israeli opposition leader Ariel Sharon to a Jerusalem holy site on September 28 is claimed to have sparked the fighting.



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▲ In the worst forest fire season in 50 years, more than 20,000 firefighters battle blazes in the western United States. More than 80 major wildfires burn across 13 states, forcing hundreds of people to leave their homes.

▼ The U.S. Senate passes the Permanent Normal Trade Relations bill in September to open up trade between the United States and China. The bill is expected to increase U.S. exports by \$13 billion annually.



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▲ Firestone initiates the largest tire recall in history after dozens of rollover accidents appear to be caused by faulty treads. At least 148 deaths in the United States are linked to the defective tires, although other problems with sport utility vehicles also are under investigation.



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▲ Summer air travelers wait out some of the worst flight delays on record. Bad weather and heavy air traffic cause delays that reach a peak in June, when only 66% of the flights arrive on time.



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▲ Illegal downloading and missing computer tapes threaten the security of the Los Alamos nuclear weapons lab in New Mexico. Several workers at the lab are penalized for mishandling nuclear secrets.



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▲ The Women's Museum: An Institute for the Future opens in September in Dallas. The museum profiles 3,000 remarkable American women and features more than 20 interactive exhibits.



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▲ Many brands of taco shells and corn chips are pulled from store shelves and restaurants after a consumer group detects traces of genetically modified corn not approved for human consumption.

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◀ Convicted of monopoly practices in the software industry, Microsoft Corporation is ordered by a federal district judge in June to break into two separate companies. Company chairman Bill Gates files for an appeal.

A wave of Internet startup companies, once the darlings of the online economy, file for bankruptcy after falling short of stockholders' earnings expectations. The NASDAQ stock exchange, where most dot-coms are traded, loses 39% of its value for the year.

Millions of Californians go for hours without power in January 2001 as utility companies cut off electrical supply due to low reserves. The crisis, blamed on aging generating plants, deregulation, soaring wholesale prices and debt-ridden utilities, spurs other states to begin devising prevention plans.



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▲ The Oklahoma City National Memorial is unveiled in April 2001. The memorial is built to honor the 168 people who died in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

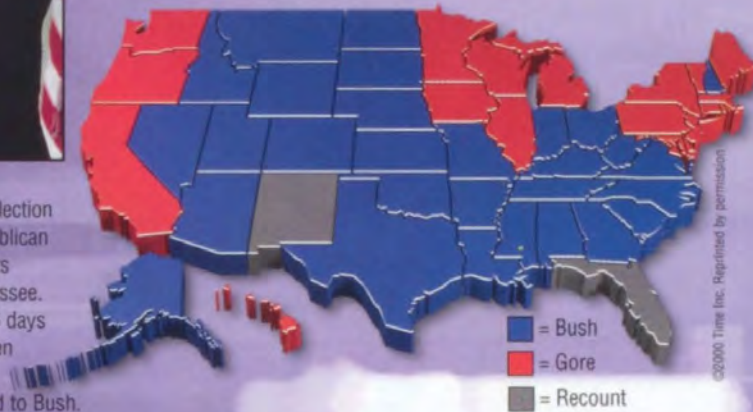


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▲ In the closest presidential election in more than 100 years, Republican George W. Bush of Texas beats Democrat Al Gore from Tennessee. The race isn't decided until 36 days after the popular election, when Florida's hotly contested 25 electoral votes are awarded to Bush.

✓ On December 4, 2000, the U.S. presidency remains in limbo as both Florida and New Mexico officials recount ballots to determine who will win their state's electoral votes. New Mexico goes to Gore. Ultimately, Bush wins Florida which gives him a narrow victory.



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On election night, several TV networks prematurely declare Al Gore the winner in Florida, only later to reverse themselves, twice. The fiasco confirms many Americans' distrust of polling and early "calling" of elections.

In one of his first duties as President-elect, George W. Bush nominates Colin Powell to be Secretary of State. The four-star Army General becomes the first African-American in history to serve in this role.



▲ Chads, dimpled chads and butterfly ballots become common terms during the election as Florida officials assess voter intent. The confusion generates national discussion for uniform methods of voting.



▲ The U.S. Supreme Court casts the deciding vote in the nation's election. The court ends the Gore-Bush legal battles in Florida by stopping all recounting, an action that effectively gives Bush victory.



▲ In a fiery and highly publicized political battle, Hillary Rodham Clinton beats Republican Rick Lazio decisively to become senator from New York. She is the first first lady to be elected to public office.



▲ Missouri Governor Mel Carnahan is elected to the Senate days after he dies in a November plane crash. His widow, Jean Carnahan, agrees to serve as senator in his place.



▲ In October, the USS Cole is bombed while refueling in Yemen. A number of terrorist groups are suspected of the blast that kills 17 sailors and injures 39.

✓ The Federal Trade Commission charges the film, recording and video-game industries with marketing violent and adult-rated materials to teens. The entertainment giants are requested to stop the practice or face legal intervention.



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▲ In August, a mile-wide patch of open water is spotted at the North Pole, dramatizing concerns about global warming.



✔ Walkie-talkies make a comeback as an economical alternative to cell phones. The new generation talkies come in wild styles and have a range of two or more miles.



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▲ New photos of fiery streams of gas that can reach 300,000 miles high may explain why the sun's atmosphere is hotter than its surface.



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▲ In July, Stephen King shakes up the publishing world by releasing one of the first online books, *The Plant*. More than 150,000 copies are downloaded the first week at \$1 per chapter.



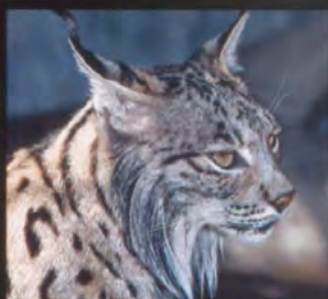
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▲ In a Guatemalan jungle, archeologists uncover remains of an ancient Mayan palace. Bigger than two football fields, the palace is one of the largest ever discovered.



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▲ Internet appliances that provide surfing and e-mailing capabilities make their way to homes and schools. The devices offer less expensive Internet access to consumers without home computers.



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▲ In 2000, more than 200 animal species join the Iberian Lynx on the World Conservation Union's List of Threatened Species. Their addition brings the world total to 11,046 plants and animals having threatened status.

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☑ Personal Digital Assistants (PDAs) capable of calendar scheduling, note taking, e-mailing, phoning and Web browsing go mainstream in 2000. Competition among manufacturers heats up with Microsoft, BlackBerry, Palm and other brands vying for shares of the teen and business markets.

Paleontologists identify a new species of dinosaur from fossils found in northern Italy. The 26-foot-long, meat-eating *Saltriosaur* is one of the world's oldest dinosaurs, dating back 200 million years.

Scientists are forced to rethink the traditional definitions of a star and planet when 18 massive planet-like bodies that don't revolve around a sun are discovered in the Sigma Orionis cluster.



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▲ Final touches are made to the International Space Station for its first residents. American astronaut Bill Shepherd and two Russian cosmonauts live on the space station for four months starting in November.



✔ Wireless devices that send real-time personal messages between users become the latest communication craze. The "instant messages" can be typed, written or spoken, depending on the brand, and devices cost less than \$100.



✔ In 2000, both Honda and Toyota launch gas-electric hybrid cars. Operated by a battery-powered electric motor and a gas-run engine, the hybrids get up to 70 miles per gallon on the highway and release minimal emissions.



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New Internet domain names are created to lessen the load on the old .com standard. The new names, slated for use in mid-2001, include .info for general use, .biz for businesses, .name for individuals and .pro for professionals.

Scientists complete a rough "map" of the genetic code that makes a person human. The map will aid in the detection and prevention of cancer and other illnesses.

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▲ PlanetPortal unveils the WebRemote, a remote built for use with the Internet. Users can surf their favorite sites at the touch of a button instead of keying addresses or scrolling a list of bookmarked pages.



▲ Scientists discover an ancient standing lizard fossil in a German quarry, suggesting that dinosaurs may not have been the first creatures to walk upright.

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▲ The Hubble Space Telescope shows never-before-seen details of a "cosmic butterfly," material ejected by a star in the later stages of its life.

NASA



▲ Computer scientists at Brandeis University make a robot that can design and build other robots with minimal help from humans.

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▲ Amtrak introduces the nation's first high-speed train in November. The "Acela Express" travels up to 150 miles per hour and runs between Washington, D.C., New York and Boston, with other routes planned for coming years.

✔ Apple Computer unveils its new G4 Cube computer in July. The 8-inch crystalline cube is commended for its small size, high speed, low noise level, touch-sensitive power activation and padless optical mouse.



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▲ A new Web site, Customatix.com, lets users design their own sneakers. Starting from scratch or selecting a prefab model, users can pick everything from the colors and styling to the fabric and personalized logo at a cost of \$80 to \$95 a pair.

▼ New prepaid credit cards and online credit lines are the latest high-tech means for parents to control their teens' spending. Depending on the account, parents determine the spending limit or the online stores where the money can be spent and receive monthly statements of purchases made.



▲ *MH-18*, billed as the first national lifestyle magazine for guys 13 to 18, hits newsstands in August. The *Men's Health* offshoot covers sports, fitness, school, relationships and issues teenage boys face growing up.



▲ American Heritage, among other publishers, releases new dictionaries, capturing the language of our computer-savvy culture. "Dot-com," "netiquette" and "cybersurfing" are among the new entries.



▲ Pleather, a synthetic fabric that looks like leather, comes in an array of colors and prints and is popularized by celebrities like singer Christina Aguilera.

▼ Techno pants, as functional as last year's cargoes but with cleaner lines and nylon fabric, are popular with teens. They come in a variety of colors and feature zippered legs and pockets, toggles and nylon drawstrings.



▲ Laser eye surgery becomes an increasingly accepted alternative to eyeglasses and contact lenses as the technology continues to improve.

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◀ The popularity of Apple Computer's translucent berry-colored iMac sparks a wave of similarly colored cell phones, CD players, cameras, irons and other household appliances.

For the first time, females outnumber males in Internet use in the United States, representing 50.4% of the online population in 2000. Teenage girls are the fastest growing user segment.

Designer faceplates become a popular way to personalize cell phones. The decorative attachments come in a variety of designs and colors to match the user's mood or outfit.



▲ Wordstretch bracelets become a trendy accessory in Hollywood and around the nation. The multi-colored elastic bands come inscribed with "Call me," "Money is overrated," "Snap out of it" and other simple messages designed to spark conversation.



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▲ High-tech, fold-up metal versions of the old scooter are one of the year's hottest modes of transportation but also a leading cause of injury.

▼ Message T-shirts become fashion statements among teen girls. "Foxy Lady," "Princess" and "Monkey Around" are just a few of the tongue-in-cheek logos that appear on the popular shirts.



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By the end of 2000, an estimated 75% of U.S. universities offer courses online and more than 5.8 million students have logged on.

With the 2000 unemployment rate at a low of 4%, college students working as summer interns command wages up to \$20 an hour, along with compensation packages, from high-tech and Internet companies.



▲ Companies like Estee Lauder, Origins, Hermes and Blistex begin to market products in portable single-use packets. Products include nail polish remover, scented wipes, hair conditioners and moisturizers.



▲ Stick-on crystals and gems become popular fashion accessories for teen girls, accenting the face, neck and shoulders.



▲ Mail-order clothing pioneer Lands' End introduces "scan wear." The technology captures customers' body measurements, and allows users to virtually "try on" clothing when ordering via the Internet.



▲ "Personal TVs" by TiVo and ReplayTV allow users to control live TV by pausing or rewinding and to record their favorite shows without having to set a VCR timer or purchase videotapes.



▲ Chrysler rolls out its 1930s retro car, the PT Cruiser, in spring 2000. The five-door "personal transportation" wagon is a hot seller, beating the popular Volkswagen New Beetle by two to one in the first month. It also wins *Motor Trend* magazine's 2001 Car of the Year.

▼ Teens involved in anti-smoking organizations such as The Truth and Target Market strike back at Big Tobacco for marketing to youth, by launching their own in-your-face advertising campaigns targeting cigarette makers. The print and broadcast ads are sponsored by funds won from tobacco suit settlements.



Chris Hoodrow/Newsmakers/Liaison

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Target Market



▲ The Millennium Force, the world's tallest and fastest roller coaster, opens in May 2000 at the Cedar Point amusement park in Sandusky, Ohio. The ride has a 300-foot drop and travels up to 92 miles per hour.

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✓ A new computer video game called "The Sims," which simulates the life of a suburban family, develops a fanatical following with teens. Players create the characters and guide them through building a house, furnishing it, finding a career and running a family in their pursuit of happiness.



Maxis/Electronic Arts



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▲ Jim Carrey stirs up trouble in the town of Whoville in an adaptation of the Dr. Seuss classic, *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. *The Grinch*, which opens in November, is the highest grossing film of 2000.



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▲ *Meet the Parents*, starring Robert De Niro and Ben Stiller, opens in October. The movie wins Favorite Comedy Motion Picture at the People's Choice Awards, and De Niro earns a Golden Globe nomination.

▲ In July, CBS launches "Big Brother," a reality-based show in which 10 people share living quarters for three months until all but one are voted out. Viewers can monitor contestants 24/7 on the show's Web site.

▲ UPN's weekly series "WWF Smackdown!" starring professional wrestler The Rock is the network's most-watched show in 2000, with 7.3 million viewers.

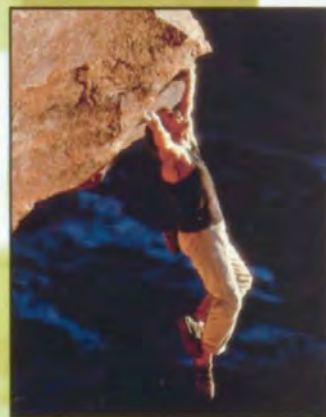
▲ In December, *Cast Away* is released, starring Tom Hanks as a crash victim stranded on a desert island for four years. For his nearly one-man performance Hanks wins Best Actor at the Golden Globes.

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The first big hit in 2001 is *Save the Last Dance*, which opens in January. The teen romance, starring Julia Stiles and Sean Patrick Thomas, earns close to \$50 million in its first two weeks.

Pay It Forward, a movie based on the idea of performing random acts of kindness, opens in October starring Haley Joel Osment, Kevin Spacey and Helen Hunt.



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▲ Tom Cruise reprises his role as Ethan Hunt in the action sequel *Mission: Impossible 2*. The May release is summer's biggest box-office draw and 2000's second-highest grossing film, earning more than \$215 million.



✎ Gamers camp outside electronics stores to secure the long-awaited Sony PlayStation 2, which goes on sale in October in limited quantities. The new version allows users to listen to CDs and watch DVD movies in addition to playing games.

Courtesy Electronic Arts



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▲ NBC's White House drama "The West Wing," starring Martin Sheen, Allison Janney and Richard Schiff, sets a record for receiving the most Emmys in a single season with nine wins, including Outstanding Drama Series.

▼ Popular television series prompt the introduction of board game versions. "Survivor" and "Who Wants To Be a Millionaire" lead the list of new releases.



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In November, illusionist David Blaine is encased in ice for 62 hours in New York's Times Square, assisted only with air and water tubes and a catheter. Blaine, who was seeking notoriety over national TV, survives the stunt but requires hospitalization.

Russell Crowe becomes a household name with the release of *Gladiator*. The epic film wins a Golden Globe Award for Best Drama as well as an acting nod for Crowe.



Bill Reizer/NBC/Liaison

▲ NBC's "Will & Grace" is one of television's 10 most watched shows in 2000. Actors Sean Hayes and Megan Mullally win Emmys for their roles as Jack and Karen.



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▲ *Scary Movie*, the Wayans brothers' spoof on horror movies, is among the year's 10 highest grossing films. The July release earns more than \$157 million and is voted the Teen Choice Awards Movie of the Summer.



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▲ Fox's "Dark Angel" is voted Favorite New Television Dramatic Series at the 2001 People's Choice Awards. The series, set in the year 2019, explores the life of a genetically enhanced heroine named Max.

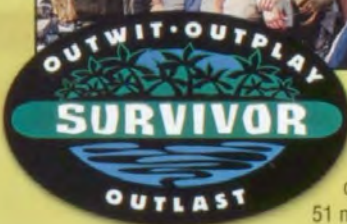


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▲ In July, Wolverine, Cyclops, Storm and other super-powerful comic book characters are brought to life in *X-Men*. The movie grosses over \$157 million, one of the year's 10 biggest box-office draws.



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▲ The year's hottest TV show is CBS's "Survivor," in which 16 contestants compete for a million dollars by surviving on a tropical island for 39 days. More than 51 million viewers tune in for the final episode. Based on its success, CBS launches a second "Survivor" series in January 2001 set in the Australian Outback.

▼ *Charlie's Angels*, based on the popular '70s TV series, is one of the top 20 box-office draws in 2000. The movie, starring director Drew Barrymore, Cameron Diaz and Lucy Liu, earns \$40 million its opening week in November and grosses more than \$123 million during its run.



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▲ In response to the growing interest in Latin music, CBS airs the "1st Annual Latin Grammy Awards" in September. The show is the first primetime network Spanish language telecast on American TV and draws 7.5 million viewers.

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▼ A new board game called "Hip-Hop Hall of Fame" capitalizes on the popularity of the music genre. Players make their way around an album-like board by answering questions about Hip-Hop performers, songs, culture and history.



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▲ Hip-Hop remains one of the year's dominant sounds, with acts such as DMX, Jay-Z and Ludacris all making *Billboard's* Top 40 with new songs and selling more than a million copies of their latest CDs.



▲ 'N Sync's *No Strings Attached* becomes the top-selling album of 2000 with 10 million units sold. The lead single "Bye Bye Bye" wins three MTV awards and receives a Grammy nomination for Record of the Year.



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▲ Pop star Björk wins MTV's Breakthrough Video Award for "All Is Full of Love." The Icelandic newcomer is also nominated for a Golden Globe and a Grammy for her music in *Dancer In the Dark*.



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▲ Macy Gray wins MTV's Best New Artist in a Video award for her hit single "I Try." Gray is also nominated for three Grammys.



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▲ Lee Ann Womack wins the Country Music Association's award for Best Single with "I Hope You Dance." Womack also receives several Grammy nominations.

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Madonna scores a record-setting 12th No. 1 single with the release of "Music." In December, she weds director Guy Ritchie in a Scottish castle.

Irish artist Samantha Mumba makes the music charts in 2001 with her hit song "Gotta Tell You." The 17-year-old joins fellow countrymen U2 and The Corrs on the American airwaves.



Christopher Lee/Holger/Retna Ltd, USA

▲ Creed, with lead singer Scott Stapp, proves to be one of 2000's hottest rock bands, with their singles "Higher" and "With Arms Wide Open" hitting the top 5 on *Billboard's* Hot 100 singles list. The group wins American Music Association's Favorite Alternative Artist and Favorite Pop/Rock Album.

▣ New brands and styles of portable MP3 players inundate the market in 2000. The new-generation devices store and play digital music from the Internet and feature more playing time than their predecessors.



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◀ Opening week sales records are shattered in 2000 with benchmarks set for the number of albums sold. Britney Spears' *Oops...I Did it Again*, Eminem's *The Marshall Mathers LP*, Limp Bizkit's *Chocolate Starfish and the Hot Dog Flavored Water* and Backstreet Boys' *Black & Blue* all break the million-unit mark.

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The Beatles begin 2001 atop the *Billboard* album chart with the album *1*. The CD sells more than 5 million copies over the holiday season.

Sisqo, a member of the R&B band Dru Hill, goes solo in 2000. The singer tops the singles chart with "Incomplete" and "Thong Song" and takes home awards from *Billboard* and the American Music Association.

▶ Napster loses several court battles with the recording industry over copyright infringement. The popular online music sharing service, with over 60 million users, faces shut-down unless it can create a new business formula that satisfies the major recording labels.



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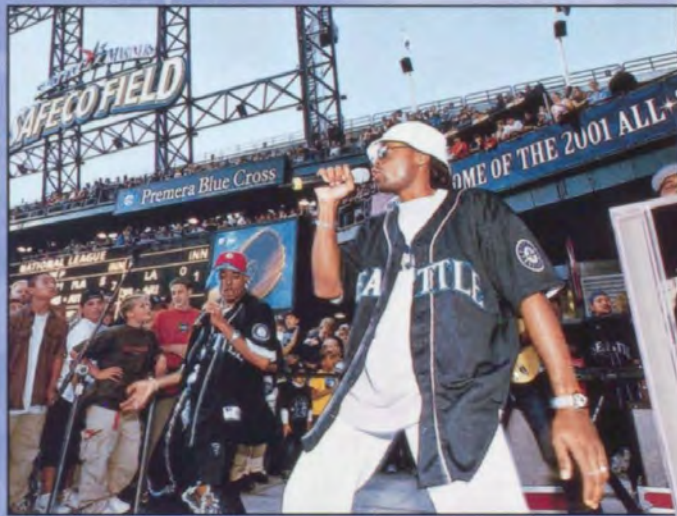
▲ MTV's "Total Request Live," which allows viewers to vote for their favorite music videos, continues to gain popularity. Host Carson Daly becomes one of the year's best-known faces.

▲ Destiny's Child achieves three back-to-back No. 1 singles in 2000, making the band *Billboard*'s Top Pop Artist of 2000. The group is nominated for five Grammys, four for the single "Say My Name."

▲ Faith Hill and Tim McGraw perform to sellout crowds on their Soul 2 Soul tour. Hill and McGraw win the Country Music Association's Female and Male Vocalist of the Year, making them the first couple to win in the same year.

▲ Pink is one of the year's top new artists. Her debut album, *Can't Take Me Home*, sells 2 million copies, and two of her songs are Top 10 hits.

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▲ Baha Men's hit song "Who Let the Dogs Out" reaches anthem status at sports stadiums across the country. The song also wins a Grammy nomination for Best Dance Recording.

✔ Rock music dominates the music charts and award shows in 2000. Groups including matchbox twenty, Vertical Horizon and 3 Doors Down top both the rock and pop singles charts with their respective singles "Bent," "Everything You Want," and "Kryptonite."





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▲ The New York Yankees defeat the New York Mets four games to one in the first "Subway Series" since 1956. It is the Yankees' third straight World Series win and their 26th overall.

▼ American Marion Jones, 24, becomes the first woman to win five track and field medals in a single Olympic Games at the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney. Jones wins the 100- and 200-meter sprints and the 4x400 relay, and finishes third in both the 4x100 relay and long jump.



David Leary/Alamy



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▲ Tiger Woods, 24, wins three of golf's four major tournaments to become the youngest player to win a career grand slam. Woods also breaks the earnings record for a single year with winnings of more than \$9 million.



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▲ Bobby Labonte wins the 2000 NASCAR Winston Cup, his first after eight years on the circuit. Labonte and his brother Terry, winner of two previous Winston Cups, are the first brothers to win titles.



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▲ The Houston Comets beat the New York Liberty to win the 2000 WNBA championship. The win is Houston's fourth in a row, and star Cynthia Cooper is named the finals MVP.



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▲ In the 2001 Orange Bowl, the underdog Oklahoma Sooners defeat the Florida State Seminoles 13-2 to win the National Championship. It is Oklahoma's first title in 15 years.



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▲ Australian Karrie Webb is named the LPGA's Player of the Year for the second time in a row. Webb wins seven titles in 2000, including the U.S. Women's Open in July, and sets an earnings record of \$1.8 million.

▼ Venus Williams dominates women's tennis. The 20-year-old has a 35-match winning streak, which includes the titles at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open as well as an Olympic gold medal.

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With a win against the University of Dayton in September, Yale becomes the first college team to win 800 football games.

In January 2001, after a three-year hiatus, legendary Mario Lemieux returns to play for the Pittsburgh Penguins, the hockey team he now part-owns. Lemieux becomes the first owner/player in the history of the NHL.



Mike Powell/Alamy

▲ Cyclist Lance Armstrong wins his second consecutive Tour de France in July. Armstrong, a cancer survivor, also writes his autobiography *It's Not About the Bike: My Journey Back to Life*.



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✓ The Los Angeles Lakers win the NBA championship, the franchise's first in 12 years. The Lakers beat the Indiana Pacers in game six of the finals. Center Shaquille O'Neal is named MVP.



The racing world is stunned when NASCAR legend Dale Earnhardt Sr., a seven-time Winston Cup champion, is killed on the last lap of the Daytona 500 in February 2001. NASCAR does not retire numbers, but car owner Richard Childress said he will never again race Earnhardt's black No. 3 car.

Xtreme Football debuts in February 2001. The game combines conventional football rules with some of the mayhem of professional wrestling. Eight teams play in the league's first season.

▲ In June, the New Jersey Devils win their second Stanley Cup in six seasons by defeating defending champion Dallas Stars four games to two in the finals. Scott Stevens wins the Conn Smythe Trophy for postseason MVP.

Kevork Djansezian/AP/Wide World Photos



▲ Laura Wilkinson overcomes three broken toes to win the women's 10-meter platform diving competition. Wilkinson is the first American woman to earn the gold in this Olympic event since 1964.



▲ In a huge upset, American Greco-Roman wrestler Rulon Gardner defeats Russian legend Alexander Karelin for the gold in the super heavyweight class. The loss is Karelin's first in 13 years.



▲ American swimmer Misty Hyman beats out heavily favored Susie O'Neill of Australia to win the 200-meter butterfly. Hyman's winning time of 2:05.88 is an Olympic record.



▲ American runner Michael Johnson makes history by winning the 400-meter run for an unprecedented second time in a row at the Olympics. Alvin Harrison, also from the United States, wins the silver medal.



▲ Cathy Freeman carries the Olympic torch at the opening ceremonies of the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney. Freeman goes on to win the 400-meter dash, becoming the first Aboriginal Australian to earn an individual Olympic gold medal.

✓ The Baltimore Ravens beat the New York Giants 34-7 in Super Bowl XXXV for their first NFL title. Ray Lewis of Baltimore's highly touted defense is named MVP of the game.



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▲ Comedian Dennis Miller debuts as co-announcer on ABC's "Monday Night Football." Miller's offbeat humor gets a mixed reaction from fans, and the series earns some of the lowest ratings in its 31-year history.



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✓ Paula Prince of Port Richey, Florida, wins the sixth annual Ugly Couch Contest, sponsored by a slipcover manufacturer, with her vintage '70s entry. Prince and two other contest finalists appear on ABC's "Live! With Regis" in October.



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▲ Fred Rogers, host of the children's PBS show "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," announces he will tie his tennis shoes for the last time, when his final new episode airs in August 2001. Rogers will continue to work on Web sites, books and special museum projects.



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▲ To observe society and learn about himself, New Jersey native Brett Banfe, 18, takes a one-year vow of silence. He communicates by e-mail, facial expressions and business cards.



Andy Lyons/Allsport

▲ Runner Marla Runyan, who is legally blind, becomes the first U.S. Paralympian to compete in the Olympics. Runyan places 8th in the 1,500-meter run at the 2000 Summer Games in Sydney, Australia.



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▲ England celebrates the 100th birthday of the Queen Mum, mother of Queen Elizabeth, in August. The beloved Mum becomes the oldest living royal in the history of the British Monarchy.



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▲ In October, Slovenian climber Davo Karnicar becomes the first person to ski down Mount Everest. Karnicar's two-mile descent down the world's highest mountain takes five hours.

☒ In honor of the late cartoonist Charles M. Schulz, 101 fiberglass Snoopy statues — each in a theme wardrobe — are displayed in Schulz's hometown of St. Paul. Several are auctioned off in October to raise money for aspiring cartoonists.



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Video gamer Josh Griffith, 17, starts a business filling in for other gamers involved in an online roleplaying game called "Asheron's Call." Players are required to put in hours of game time to keep their online characters powerful. Busy executives pay Griffith up to \$40 an hour to play for them.

After a record 3,545 wins and \$81 million in earnings during her 19-year career, jockey Julie Krone becomes the first woman inducted into the National Racing Hall of Fame.



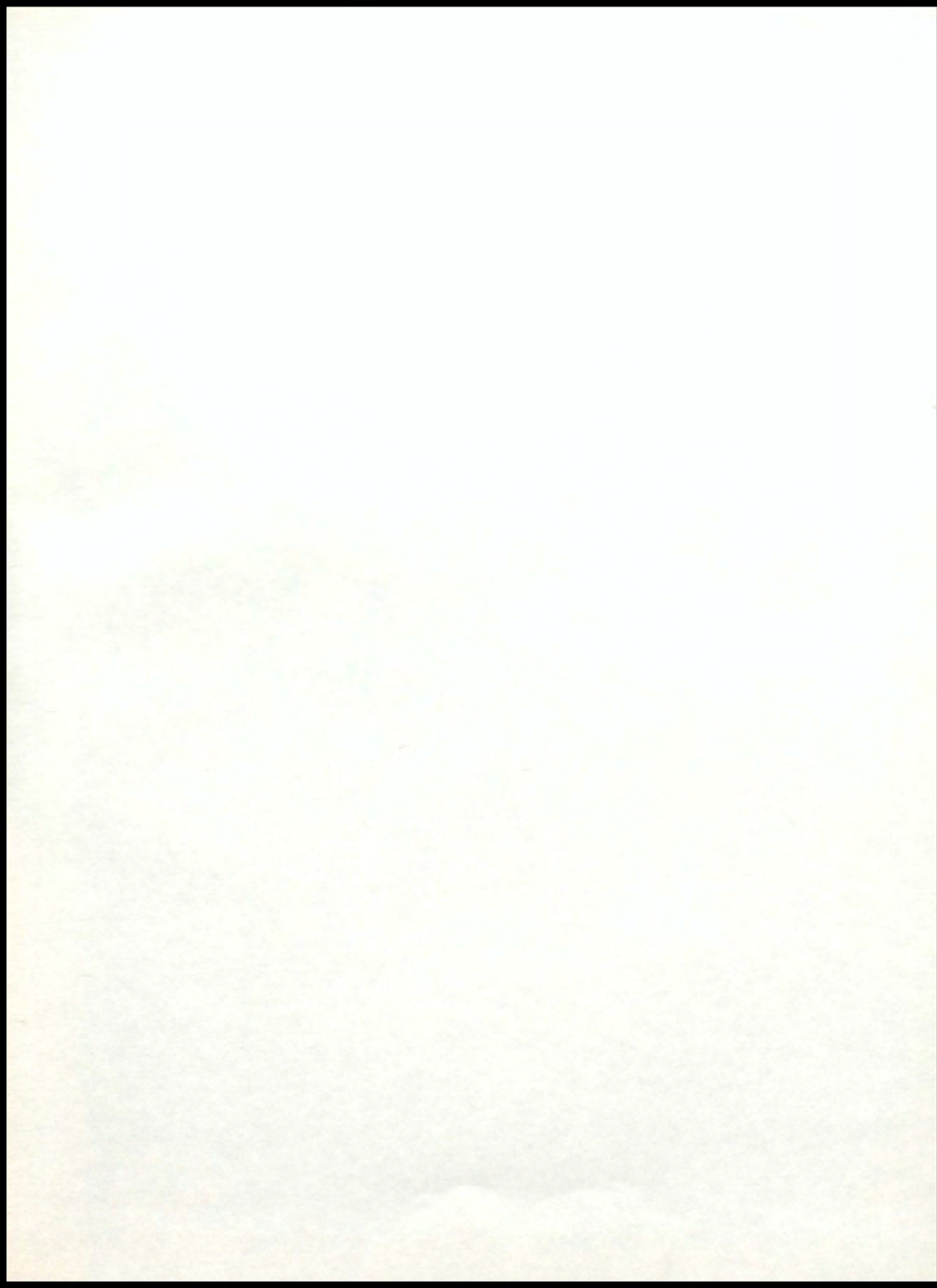
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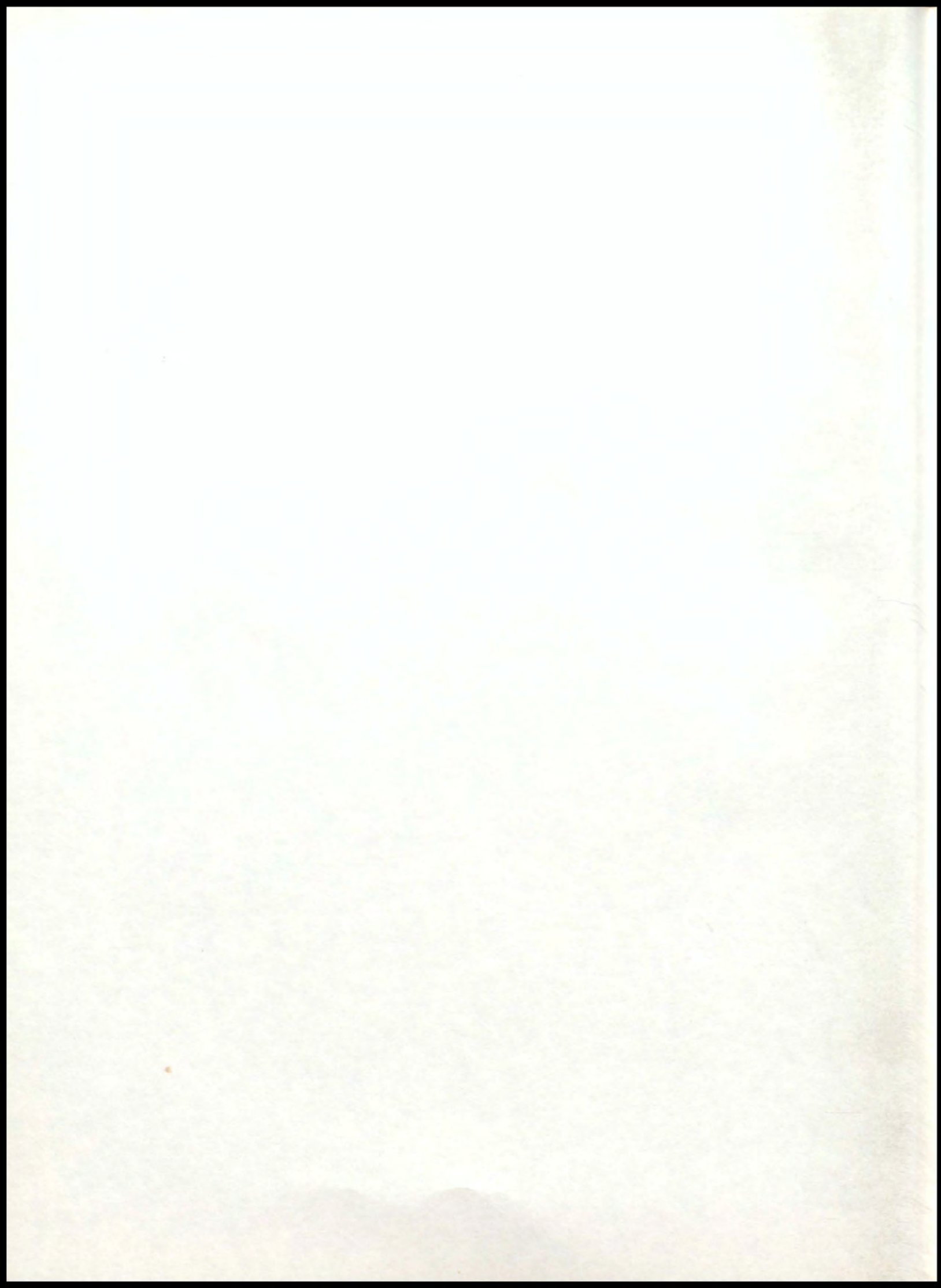
▲ Controversial Indiana University basketball coach Bob Knight is fired in September after allegedly violating a University-imposed code of conduct. During his 29 years at Indiana, Knight was often criticized for temper outbursts. His dismissal provokes student protest demonstrations.

What do you think?

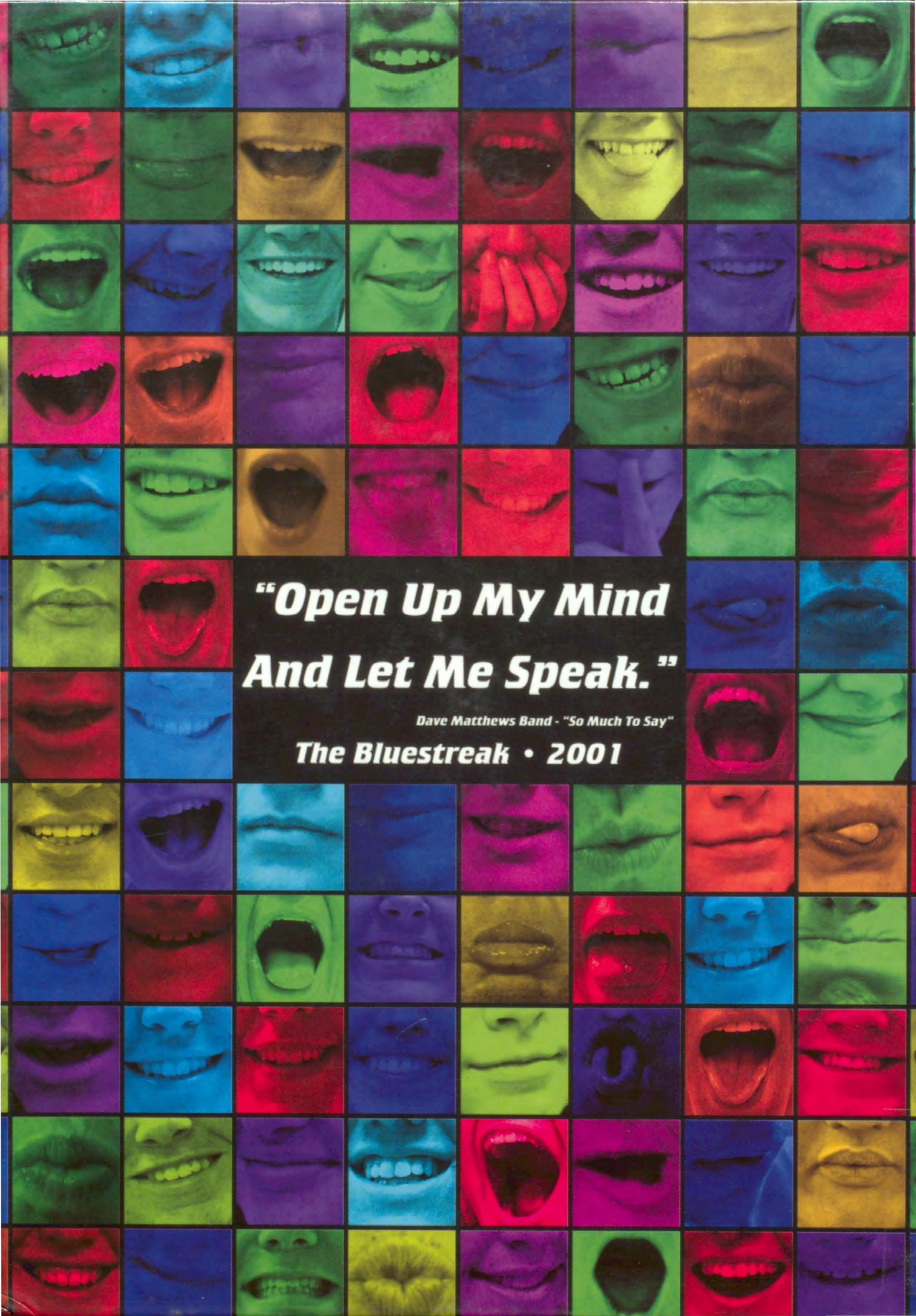
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