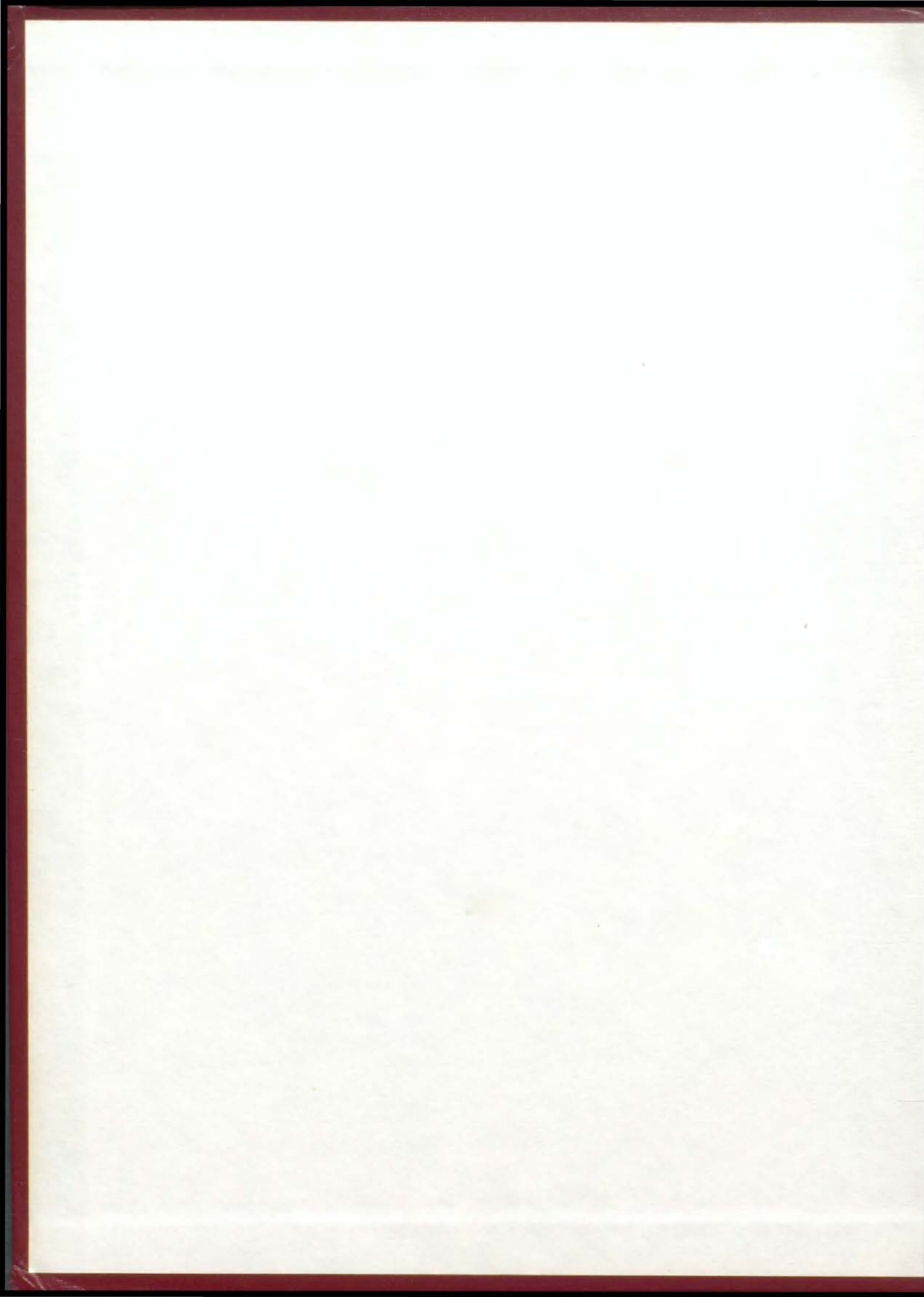
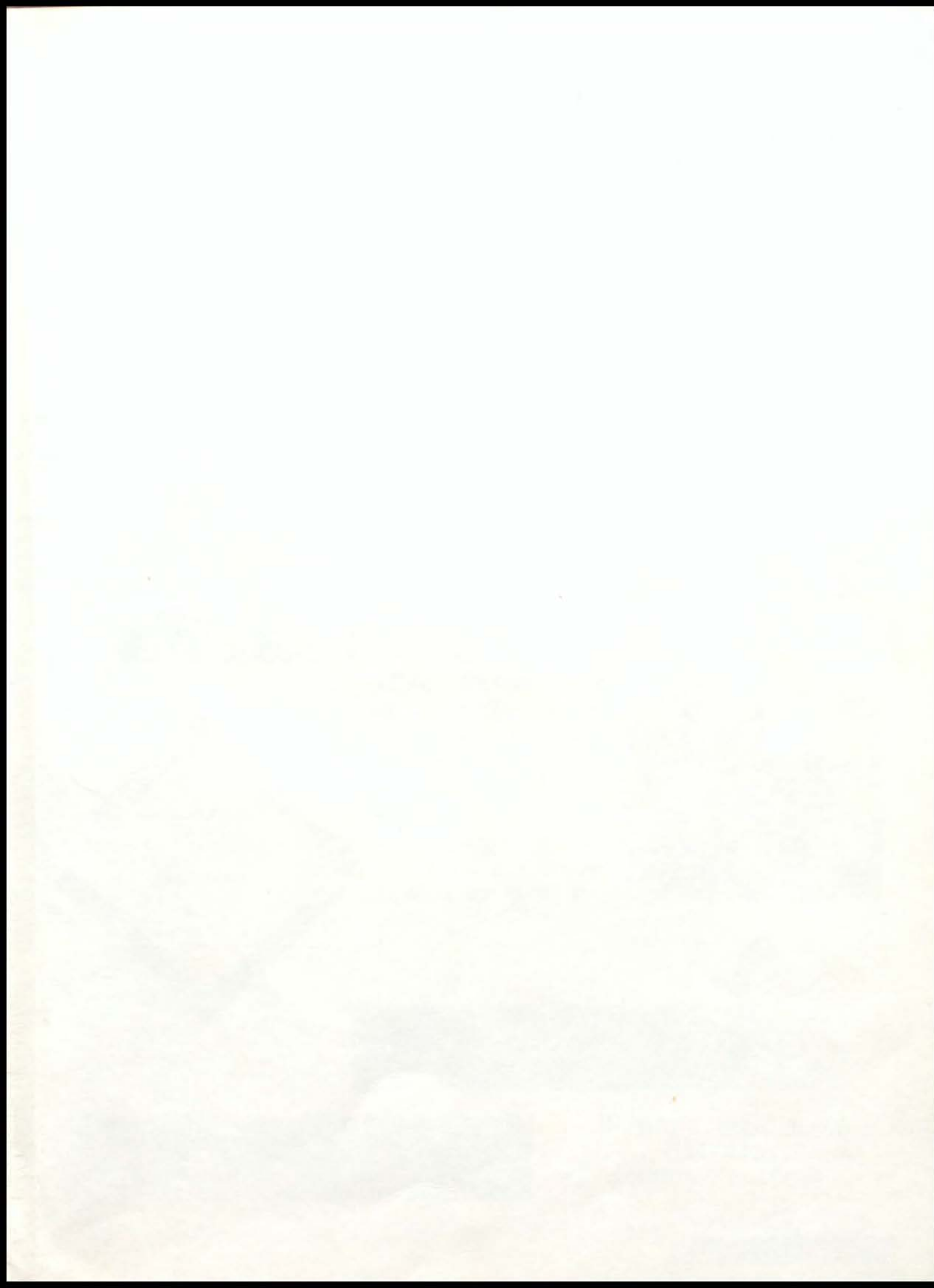
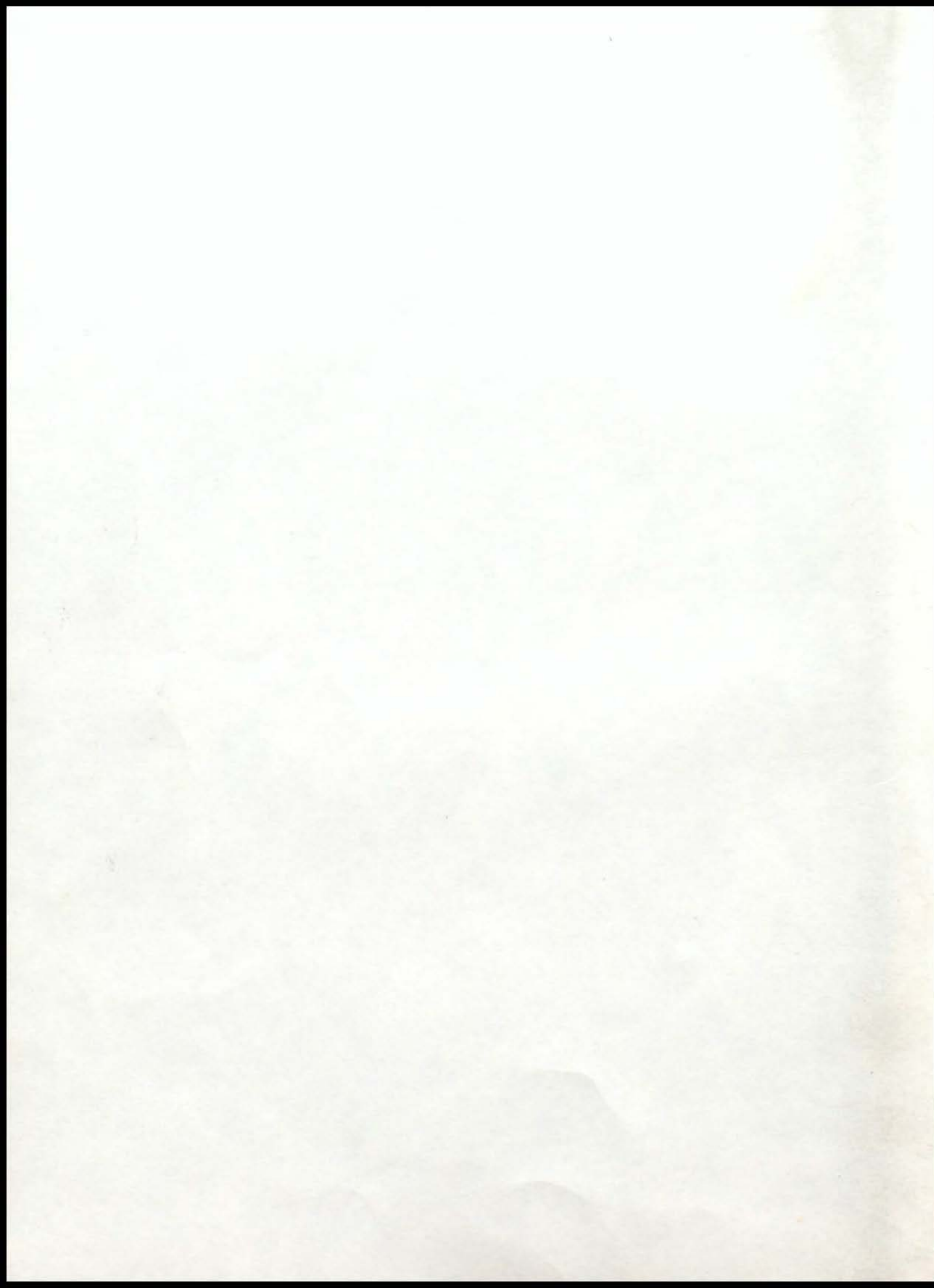


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2000  
NEVER AGAIN

eagle









# NEVER

# BEFORE

As we enter the 1999-2000 school year, we take notice of all of the changes happening in and around Midway. Everyone is entering new classes and trying

new things. There are several new faces, students and teachers, among the many old faces at MHS. The newness ties into all of the preparations taking place for the new millennium. The new millennium, as well as the new school year, is a fresh start for everyone.

**NEVER BEFORE** have we been at this place in our lives, as seniors, juniors, sophomores, or freshmen, and we will **NEVER AGAIN** be able to come back to these times in our lives, to relive or change them, except in our own minds.



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# People

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Mrs. Taylor allows Luke Helmstetter to feel her baby kicking in Senior English. (Devin Reece Taylor was born Dec. 22, 1999.)



Helping out her band, Miss Gesche joins in on the trombone during a football pep rally.



During Spirit Week, Nathan Bevis mimics Mr. Leatherman, even to the split in his pants!



Mr. Ninemire tries on Luke Helmstetter's "70's" wig during Spirit Week.



Mr. Spangler and Mrs. Davis confer as judges during the MHS scholars bowl.



Mr. Leatherman poses while trying on the sophomores' new class rings.





Wally Autem, Prin.  
Joyce Bartley  
Jennifer Bottom  
Amy Gesche  
DeeAnna Halling  
Donita Johnson



George Jones  
Jim Leatherman  
Mark Martin  
Pat McAfee, Supt.  
Charlotte McElroy  
Elden Ninemire



June Roberts  
Deanna Scherer  
Blaine Shaffer  
David Spangler  
Marla Taylor  
Vicki Winchester

**Not Pictured:**  
Tina Helmstetter  
Linda Collins  
Rose Torkelson  
Cyndi Geisen  
Delbert Larson  
Rick Crossland  
Chris Gibson



Jan Wohletz



It's business as usual for Mrs. Winchester, who works hard at her neat desk.



Mrs. Roberts demonstrates turkey-making skills in her modern foods class.



## NEVER been

*Annoyances:* "When students make dog whistle sounds out of their recorders, and ask if we are going to play in band today."

*Method of combatting the madness:* "I tell them we're going to play Tiddlywinks."

-Amy Gesche, Band and Music

*Annoyances:* "When students know everything that happened on TV last week, but didn't have time to do their homework. Also, when they ask 'Why do we have to do this?' or 'Why are you always picking on me?'"

*Method of combatting the madness:* "I haven't figured it out yet."

-Jim Leatherman, Math

so annoyed!





# CLASS OF

# THE NEW MILLENNIUM

For this year's seniors, the year 2000 has always seemed like a goal- a promise of the future. They have come a long way together in the halls of Midway. Of the 14 members of the class of 2000, seven have been together since kindergarten. To the rest of the world, the year 2000 is a beginning of a new millennium, but for this year's graduating class, it is the start of a new life. We are the future.

## flash 2000 BACK

The class of 2000 in the first grade. Members include- (Front row from left) **Becky Martin**-4th, **Jenny Boos**-7th, **Jennifer Walsh**-8th, and **Melissa Helmstetter**-9th. (Back Row from left) **Luke Helmstetter**-6th, **Jeff Falk**-7th, and **Sarah Burke**-10th, along with others.



"I will never forget when Dan hid under a desk in the 5th grade, because he was afraid of a hat." -**Heather Frump**

"I will never forget arguing about EVERYTHING in the 8th grade." -**Luke Helmstetter**

"I will never forget wasting an entire quarter to build 'The Wooden O' in freshmen English." -**Becky Martin**

"I will never forget how even though we've been through ups and downs, we still have come out together as friends." -**Lisa Collins**



Before the Christmas music program in fourth grade- (Front row from left) **Sarah Burke**-2nd, **Melissa Helmstetter**-3rd, **Jenny Boos**-4th, **Amy Halling**-5th and **Heather Frump**-6th. (Back row from left) **Jennifer Walsh**-2nd, **Becky Martin**-4th, **Jeff Falk**-5th, and **Luke Helmstetter**-6th, as well as others.

**Heather Frump** works hard on painting the bleachers before Homecoming.



Racing against the underclassmen during Spirit Week, the seniors carry **Amy Halling** toward the finish line.



**Lisa Collins**, **Sarah Burke** and **Jenny Boos** celebrate after a big tug-o-war win during Spirit Week.





\*For who's who in the baby pictures, refer to page 71.





# Seniors 2000 Seniors



*Jennifer Dianne Boos*



*Sarah Marie Burke*

◊ "I believe that choosing the dress up days should be done every year by the senior class. Seniors deserve to get a chance to put the underclassmen through torture. It should just be the privilege of being a senior. After all, the whole purpose of Spirit Week is to support our school."

- Billie Underwood

◊ "I think we will always remember dressing up the freshmen for Spirit Week. It's a tradition. The funnest part was seeing the freshmen in diapers."

- Heather Frump

◊ "I think that our senior sneak is going to be a lot of fun! It's our last big trip or event to do together just our class. I am sure Luke will entertain us all. Overall it will be fun and full of memories."

- Jennifer Walsh

◊ "Senior sneak is going to be a good way to spend time with my class before we graduate and go our separate ways."

- Lisa Collins







*Calista Marie Cairo*



*Lisa Marie Collins*



*Daniel Ray Earl*



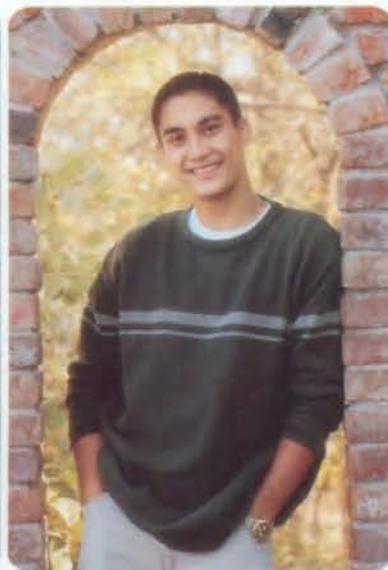
*Jeffrey Alan Falk*



*Heather Marie Frump*



*Amy Beth Halling*



*Luke Charles Helmstetter*



*Melissa Renee Helmstetter*



*Nichole Elizabeth Hensley*



*Rebecca Lynn Martin*



*Billie Jo Underwood*



*Jennifer Marie Walsh*





NEVER been

"I hadn't gotten much sleep throughout the whole week. I decided to take a nap in English. I woke up when the bell rang. Not only did the teacher ask me if I had a nice nap, but when I looked down I realized there was a huge puddle of drool all over my desk."

Erica Herrs

"While at NCYC I found a sign from one of the sessions. It said, 'I Want To Know What Love Is!' I told Luke that if we took the sign we could probably get girls. I was right! Luke couldn't move two feet without girls hanging on him, so I decided to try it. One girl walked by laughing. When I turned around to yell back at her and talk to her and the group of girls she was with I ran into a big sign! I then started to laugh and tripped and ran into another girl! I gave the sign back to Luke and decided to try it again while we were eating. I propped it up where I was sitting and a guy came over and told me he would show me what love was! I threw the sign away and gave up!"

Tim Sanderson

so embarrassed!



During spirit week juniors Brett Miner, Beth Lednicky, and Ryann Owens teamed up and competed in the three-legged race. By their expressions it looks as if they had a great time!

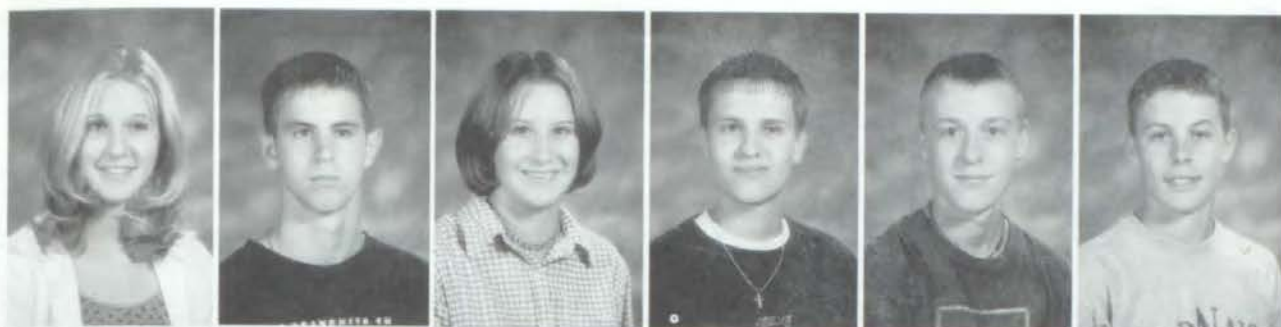
Junior Nick Williams catches a few Z's during last period English class. Mrs. Taylor decided to get even by snapping a photo during his quick nap.



Junior Ryann Owens gets her groove on at the Homecoming dance. You go girl!



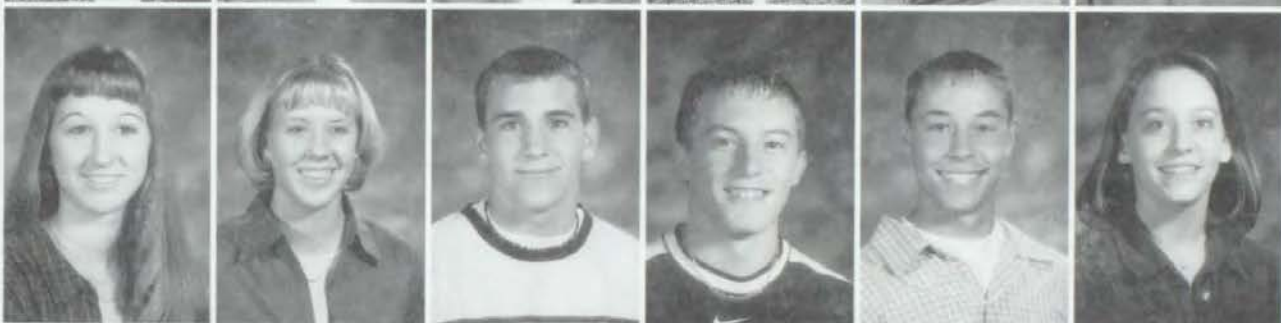




Shelly Becker  
Nathan Bevis  
Melissa Donaldson  
Jared Dunning  
Ted Freeman  
Eric Fuhrman



Shane Gage  
Sarah Henry  
Erica Herrs  
Jennifer Knudson  
Beth Lednicki  
Brett Miner



Ryann Owens  
Mindee Peuker  
Daren Roberts  
Tim Sanderson  
Mark Scholz  
Amanda Stevens



Amber Stevens  
Kevin Thompson  
Michelle Walsh  
Renee Weidler  
Nick Williams



Juniors **Amber Stevens**, **Nathan Bevis**, **Amanda Stevens**, and **Michelle Walsh** go about building a pyramid out of dry spaghetti and gum drops during their Trigonometry class.



Juniors **Shane Gage**, **Ted Freeman**, and **Jared Dunning** make their weekend plans.

# Sophomores 2002 Sophomores

Adam Matthias looks at water samples from home in his Biology II class.



Stephanie Jones and Monique Henderson relax in the hall after working hard in class.



Angela Boos  
MaryClary  
Jennifer Hamilton  
Monique Henderson  
Andrea Hensley  
Amy Jones



Stephanie Jones  
Tyler Martin  
Adam Matthias  
Christina McNett  
Natalie Merten  
Kyle Miller



Matthew Pauly  
Rachael Ricklefs  
Tyson Rush  
Adam Stevens





“ALWAYS will want to watch the movie

“My favorite movie is *Hope Floats* because it has a very hopeful and romantic ending. My least favorite movie is *Saving Private Ryan* because I don't want to see a movie where people die.”

Monique Henderson

“I love *Stepmom* because it teaches people the value of life. I hate the *Blair Witch Project* because it is so phony.” Christina McNett

“*Starwars Episode 1* is my favorite movie. I love the special effects. I didn't really like *The Three Cabalaros*. It had no purpose to it.” Matthew Pauly

“*White Christmas* is a good movie. I liked Bing Crosby. He is a good actor. I really can't think of a movie that I disliked.” Kyle Miller

NEVER will want to watch it again

”



Rachael Ricklefs plays on her drums during a pep assembly.



Tyler Martin tries a new style of hat.



Angela Boos enjoys the lesson in Modern Food on how to cut up a chicken.



Christina McNett and Jennifer Hamilton have fun on 50's day.

# Freshmen 2003 Freshmen

Freshmen girls laugh as they watch their classmates have fun during the Spirit Week mat race.



Shawn Kuhnert and Steve Christopher cook while in modern foods.

Luke Lednicky and Brandon Winchester take a break after running at McLouth.

## “What I will NEVER

“I will never forget how nervous I was at my first high school volleyball and basketball games.”

Amanda Thompson

“I will never forget how scared I was because I went from being one of the oldest in junior high, to being one of the youngest in high school.”

Laura Albers

“I will never forget how nervous I was for my first basketball game.”

Brandon Winchester

“What I will never forget is playing on the varsity football team.”

Brad Scholz

“I will never forget P.E. because it is fun and it is all year long.”

Kristina Ingram

forget about freshmen year







Laura Albers  
Kenneth Besette  
Stephen Christopher  
Matthew Clark  
Alicia D'Gugliemo



Crystal DuVall  
Kristy Hughes  
Kristina Ingram  
Shawn Kuhnert  
Luke Lednický



Cohen Otte  
Andrew Peuker  
Steve Rathmann  
David Schmitt  
Bradley Scholz



Cory Steltenpohl  
Dustin Steltenpohl  
Amanda Thompson  
Brandon Winchester

Not pictured  
Dustin McNett



Freshmen have fun during the mat race during spirit week.

David Schmitt signs the score sheet after a scholars' bowl meet.



Lisa Collins and Cali Cairo carry out a routine day in Government class.



Becky Martin uses her architectural skills to create this tower during College English.



The junior class decorated pumpkins and gave them their own personalities in English class.



Tyler Martin tests the chicken to see if it was okay to cook while Tyson Rush continues to cut away.

Jared Dunning surgically cuts away at his frog during Anatomy class.



The pep band performs the Star-Spangled Banner before a football game.





# I'll *NEVER* Forget...Classroom Moments.

"When Jeff made his speech about All Legs are Mechanical during Speech class."

**Billie Underwood,**  
senior

"When Mrs. Scherer told us about promiscuous occupations that involved boric acid during Anatomy class."

**Amanda Stevens,**  
junior

"Mrs. Scherer decided to pull a prank on Luke and told our class to leave one by one during a movie. Half the class left before Luke even noticed. So then he left and Mrs. Scherer locked him out. When he got back Mrs. Scherer left and we put the desks all over the room, even on top of her desk."  
**Tyler Martin,** sophomore

"When Mr. Ninemire freaked out when he couldn't find his VCR remote. He was worried that he would actually have to get up to work the VCR."

**Brett Miner,** junior



**Mindee Peuker, Jenny Boos, and Becky Martin** check out yearbooks at a publications workshop.



**Mark Scholz** grins widely while trying to study during homeroom.

**Sarah Henry, Sarah Burke, and Amy Halling** attempt to be the group with the highest tower in College Algebra.





# The Survey Says...

Do we really know everything there is to know about Midway High School? Do we know every detail there is to know about our school? How about the opinions of others? We all have our own opinions. Here are the opinions of the other students in Midway High School.



Jenny Boos seems to be overloaded with homework and Billie Underwood taunts her.

**TOP 3 teachers that give the most/least homework**

**Most Homework**

#1 Mr. Larson - 31%

#2 Mr. Leatherman - 23%

#3 Mrs. Taylor - 17%

**Least Homework**

#1 Mrs. Winchester - 26%

#2 Ms. Gesche - 17%

#3 Mr. Ninemire - 12%

## HEAVIEST book in school?

English IV  
5.75 lbs.

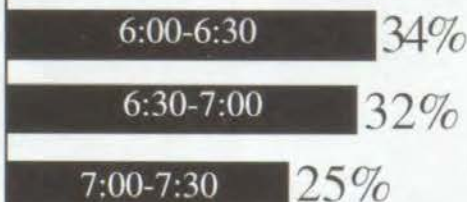
## LIGHTEST book in school?

Spanish I  
2.60 lbs.

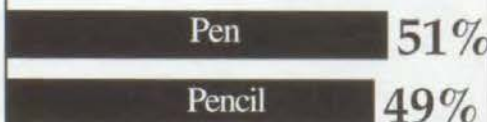


## How does the rest of the high school think? Here's what the Survey Says...

What time do we  
**WAKE UP** for school?



Do we prefer pen or pencil?



Type or write out assignments?



## Never ENOUGH Time



Nathan Bevis rests his weary mind.

Too often teenagers don't get enough sleep at home. Due to the lack of **SLEEP** at home many students feel they can make that lost time up at school. How often do students really **SLEEP** at school during the week?

| Once | 2-3 | 3-5 | Never |
|------|-----|-----|-------|
| 29%  | 14% | 28% | 29%   |

## In the classroom

How often do we use the Internet for homework during the week?



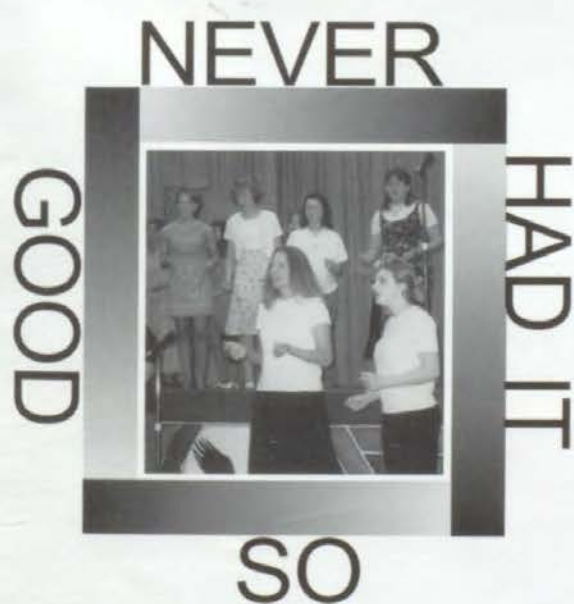
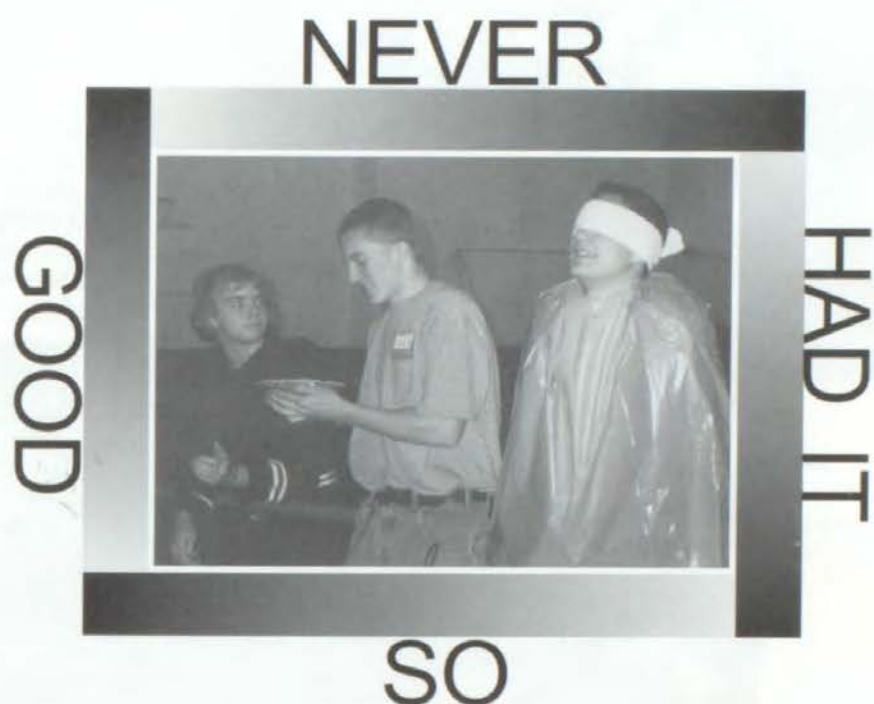
Michelle Walsh often uses the computer for her schoolwork (and games).

## Survey Says...

| Once | 2-3 | 3-5 | Never |
|------|-----|-----|-------|
| 45%  | 15% | 18% | 22%   |



# Organizations



# band Choir

Lisa Collins, Tyler Martin, and Brandon Winchester play under the direction of Ms. Gesche during the Spring Concert.



High school band members for the 1999-2000 school year.



High school and junior high choir was during the same hour this year. High school choir members were Jennifer Hamilton, Monique Henderson, Andrea Hensley, Chrissy McNett, Natalie Merten, and Amber Stevens.



Students not in the choir class volunteered to be part of a show choir that performed at the Spring Concert.



## WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT MUSIC?

"Swing choir is fun and Ms. Gesche is really neat. She makes class fun."

Monique Henderson, sophomore

"Music is a good way to express yourself. I like learning new music."

Billie Underwood, senior

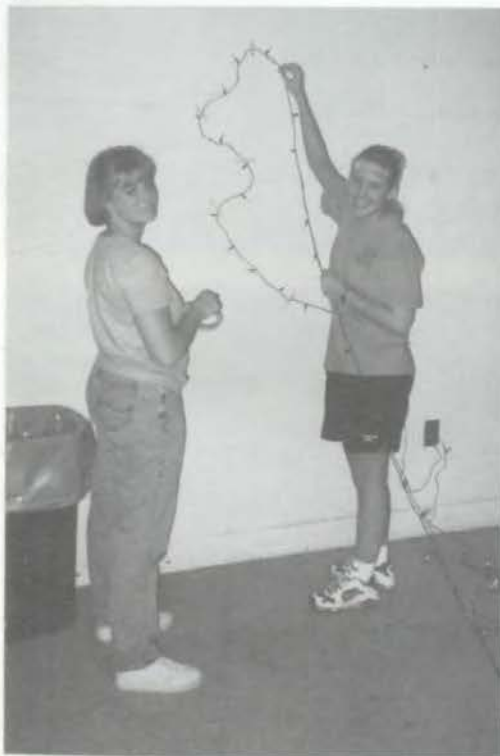


The Show Choir performs during the Spring Concert.



# Student council

Stuco president **Jenny Boos** and vice president **Mindee Peuker** decorate for the "Lucky Day Dance." Students received a discounted admission to the dance for wearing the color green.



Student Council members **Luke Helmstetter**, **Luke Lednicki**, **Mindee Peuker**, **Jenny Boos**, **Matt Pauly**, **Andrea Hensley**, **Daren Roberts**, **Rachael Ricklefs**, and sponsor **Elden Ninemire**.



**Luke Helmstetter** recovers from having a pie thrown in his face.



## WHAT DOES STUDENT COUNCIL DO?

- Keep the pop and juice machines filled.
- Organize Homecoming and Snowball dances.
- Keep the school clean.
- Try to help students with their problems.
- Fundraising for student activities.

**Tim Sanderson** enjoys throwing a pie in **Luke Helmstetter's** face as part of a fund raiser for student council.

# publicat ions

Billie Underwood helps Mindee Peuker figure out a problem with the computer.

Mrs. Taylor, Jenny Boos, Luke Helmstetter, Niki Hensley, Andrea Hensley, Billie Underwood, Becky Martin, and Mindee Peuker.



## HOW TO PREPARE A YEARBOOK PAGE

1. Go into Adobe Pagemaker 6.0.
2. Design a layout. This includes pictures, text, captions, headlines, and any artwork.
3. Choose or take pictures that you would like to use.
4. Interview people for quotes and writing the story.
5. Print out a first draft. Have Mrs. Taylor edit.
6. Make revisions.
7. Crop pictures to correct size.
8. Send pages to Jostens for printing.

## FACTS about the 2000 yearbook

The cost to purchase one yearbook was \$22 or \$24. Approximately 35-40 rolls of film were processed to get the pictures.

The base price Jostens charged for printing 60 copies of this 72 page book was \$3700.

The 7 members of the class were each responsible for completing approximately 9-10 pages.



The Publications Class had a flower sale for Valentine's Day and prepares the flowers to be sent out.



# scholars bowl

Back row: Natalie Merten, Andrea Hensley, Matt Clark, David Schmitt, Coach Shirley Symms. Front row: Kyle Miller, Matt Pauly, Amy Halling, Tyler Martin. The varsity walked away from a good season with a record of 5-4 and the junior varsity walked away with a record of 2-3.



## DO YOU EVER GET NERVOUS?

"Right before a match I get nervous, and then it goes away."

Amy Halling

"Every now and then I got nervous."

David Schmitt

"Of course I never got nervous. I went out for scholars bowl to support the school."

Natalie Merten

"I never get nervous."

Tyler Martin

"Before my very first meet, I was nervous."

Andrea Hensley

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## Pauly Land and Cattle

Bill and Elizabeth Pauly



Amy Halling signs the score sheet after a Regional match.



Matt Pauly watches Mr. Martin help his son Tyler Martin fix his tie.

# national honor Society

Amy Halling introduces the four values of the National Honor Society.



The new inductees wait patiently to receive their membership certificates.



## WHAT CLASSES CAUSE YOU TO HAVE THE MOST STRESS?

"I would have to say that Algebra II is the most stressful class for me because I always have homework in that class."

sophomore Andrea Hensley

"Speech is the most stressful class for me and then I would say English because of all the essays we have to write. I was also stressed when it came time for our Governments papers to be due."

senior Becky Martin

"I find that Science classes challenge me the most."

sophomore Matt Pauly

"The class that stresses me out the most is College English because of the essays we have to write and the huge tests Mrs. Taylor gives us."

senior Amy Halling

Andrea Hensley receives her membership certificate from president Becky Martin.



Amanda Stevens lights the candle for service.



The members of the National Honor Society are: back row: Michelle Walsh, Jennifer Knudson, Sarah Henry, Becky Martin, Sarah Burke, Amy Halling, Amanda Stevens, Amber Stevens, Eric Fuhrman, front row: Angela Boos, Jennifer Hamilton, Andrea Hensley, Tyler Martin, Nathan Bevis, Adam Matthias, Kyle Miller, and Matt Pauly.



# Sports

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# A First for Everything

## ALWAYS Trying

1999 brought a season of firsts for the volleyball team. Winning the Bern Tournament and placing third in the Valley Falls Tournament were just two of their firsts. The team's accomplishments also include beating Horton for the first time and beating Dawson-Verdon and Bern for the first time with Marla Taylor as head coach. "I'll never forget this group of girls. They worked hard and the seniors showed great leadership. They made some lasting memories."

## I'll NEVER Forget...

**Amanda Stevens:**... "When Natalie forgot her sports bra and they had to use athletic tape instead."

**Becky Martin:**... "Winning the Bern Tournament. The games were really close and we pulled together as a team."

**Jennifer Walsh:**... "The day we got out of practice early to make posters to hang in the gym. Of course, mine and Andrea's was the best."

**Ryann Owens:**... "Playing on varsity and placing third out of eight teams at the Valley Falls Tournament."

**Jenny Boos:**... "The way that we improved during the season."

**Natalie Merten:**... "Everytime that Andrea cheered for me. I could not help but smile hilariously through the rest of the game."

**Beth Lednicki:**... "The follow-the-leader warm-up around the school."

**Heather Frump:**... "Our season. It has been the best probably in a long time."



First Row: Beth Lednicki, Amanda Thompson, Rachael Ricklefs, Laura Albers, and Mary Clary. Second Row: Ryann Owens, Jennifer Knudson, Amanda Stevens, Shelly Becker, Andrea Hensley, Natalie Merten, Sarah Burke, assistant coach Carmen Crandall, head coach Marla Taylor, manager Amy Halling, and manager Niki Hensley. Third Row: Becky Martin, Jennifer Walsh, Jennifer Boos, and Heather Frump.



Ryann Owens and Amanda Stevens give each other an encouraging smile before they depart from the huddle.



Coach Carmen Crandall keeps the intensity high before the team heads back out on the court.

## HONORS

**Valley Falls  
Tournament Team,**  
Becky Martin  
**All-County Team,**  
Amanda Stevens,  
Becky Martin

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Heather Frump and Ryann Owens watch from behind as Becky Martin passes the ball to her setter.



The varsity players try to help each other relax before beginning their tournament play against McLouth.



The varsity players pull up and cover as Shelly Becker pounds the ball at Atchison.

# volleyballvolleyball



"The volleyball season this year was one that will be in my memory forever. It was one of the best and funnest in my four years of high school."

**Sarah Burke, Senior**

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| W | DeKalb            |
| L | Wathena           |
| L | Atchison          |
| L | Highland          |
| L | Lansing           |
| W | St. Joe Christian |
| L | Highland          |
| L | Centralia         |
| W | Royal Valley      |
| W | Jefferson County  |
| W | Dawson-Verdon     |
| W | Bern              |
| L | Marysville        |
| L | Horton            |
| W | McLouth           |
| W | St. Joe Christian |
| W | Lyndon            |
| L | Axtell            |
| W | McLouth           |
| W | Troy              |
| L | Valley Falls      |
| L | Highland          |
| L | Jackson Heights   |
| W | Horton            |
| L | Atchison          |
| L | Wetmore           |



The varsity team smiles proudly after they captured first place at the Bern Tournament.



Varsity setter Amanda Stevens shows perfect form as she back sets to Jenny Boos.



# Eagles Continue Winning Tradition

## NEVER Say NEVER

Despite the lack of size, Midway once again found ways to win. This season the young Eagles had only one senior. They also came into the season with nine freshmen. Midway knew how to win but it was going to take great teamwork and effort and they did just that with seven straight victories with a margin no less than 18 points. The Eagles soaring high then faced Baileyville for the District championship. Midway went to B&B with a 7-0 record and ranked second in state. B&B carried a 6-1 record and a ranking of fifth in the state. Both teams struggled on offense at the beginning but B&B struck first and never looked back. Midway suffered their first defeat of the season which in turn ended their playoff hopes. The Eagles held their heads high and finished the season with a 72-32 victory over St. Mary's. Despite the lack of size, the team used what they had to win. They played as a team, gave great effort and played with heart. I'll NEVER Forget...

**Brett Miner:**... "Listening to coach Smith squeak on the sideline."

**Daren Roberts:**... "Seeing for the first time somebody spike the ball in the endzone during a high school game." (Brett)

**Tyler Martin:**... "Playing guard and blocking for Luke as he went to the endzone and having four interceptions in one game."



Front Row: Becky Martin, mgr., Steve Rathmann, Luke Lednicky, Brandon Winchester, Dustin Steltenpohl, David Schmitt, Cory Steltenpohl. Middle Row: Tim Sanderson, Brett Miner, Mark Scholz, Luke Helmstetter, Tyler Martin, Adam Stevens, Stephen Christopher, Shane Gage. Back Row: Coach Mark Martin, Jeff Falk, mgr., Brad Scholz, Matt Pauly, Daren Roberts, Nathan Bevis, Cohen Otte, Eric Fuhrman, Kyle Miller, mgr., Coach Perry Smith.



Mark Scholz makes a move to get the Axtell defense turned around.

The Eagles fly down the field to cover a kick-off.



## HONORS

**Brett Miner** - 1st Team All-State Defensive line *Topeka Capital-Journal*, Honorable Mention All-State Defensive line *Wichita-Eagle*.

**Daren Roberts** - 1st team All-State Defense *Wichita Eagle*, Honorable Mention All-State Linebacker *Topeka Capital-Journal*.

**Tyler Martin** - Honorable Mention All-State Quarterback *Wichita Eagle*, Honorable Mention All-State Back *Topeka Capital-Journal*.

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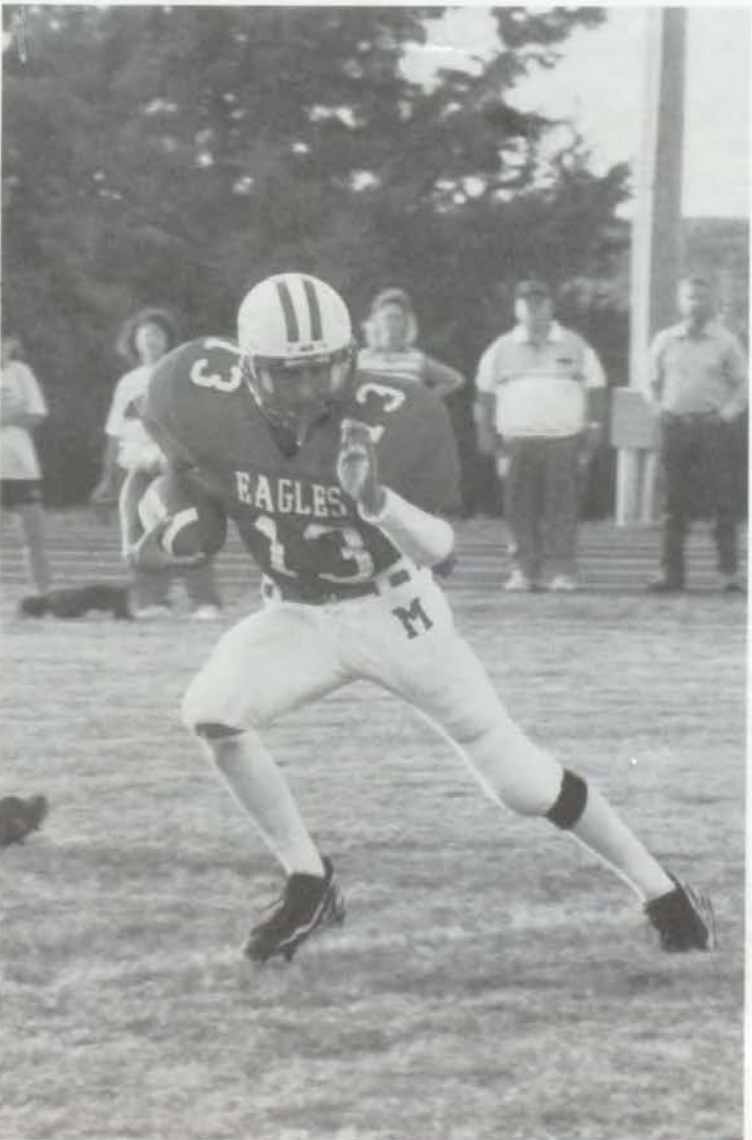
Daren Roberts tries to power his way past three Axtell defenders.



"Playing football for Midway taught me that size, speed and strength doesn't matter but it's the size of the heart that you play with. As long as you have the heart to win good things will happen."

**Luke Helmstetter,  
Senior**

|                  | us  | them |
|------------------|-----|------|
| North Andrew     | 48  | 12   |
| Olathe Christian | 62  | 18   |
| Axtell           | 44  | 24   |
| Dekalb           | 68  | 20   |
| Blue Valley      | 54  | 18   |
| Hanover          | 26  | 08   |
| Bern             | 44  | 00   |
| Baileyville      | 00  | 20   |
| St. Mary's       | 72  | 32   |
| Record           | 8-1 |      |



Tyler Martin tries to make his way past the North Andrew defensive line.

Brett Miner and Adam Stevens block as Daren Roberts finds his way through the hole.



## Team goes to state AGAIN!

### NEVER Second Best!

The 1999 girls' cross country team was plagued with injury. Despite being impaired they continued on placing second at regionals, qualifying to compete at state. This would make the team's second consecutive year of going to state. Lots of personal bests were made for the girls, and the hard work that they put in nearly every morning at 6 a.m. paid off in a big way.

The boys had three new-comers to the sport, Dusty McNett, Brandon Winchester, and Luke Lednicky. Coincidentally they were all freshman.

I'll **NEVER** Forget...

**Angela Boos:**... "Swimming was probably the best, with lip syncs, dancing, flips off the diving board it was all fun! I love having a coach that makes practices exciting!"

**Coach Leatherman:**... "I think the girls team did well this season and I think we could make it a third year at state next year. The freshman boys ran well and placed high in their races. I enjoyed the team this year and I'm looking forward to next year!"

### HONORS

**First team all county,**

Angela Boos

**Second team all county,**

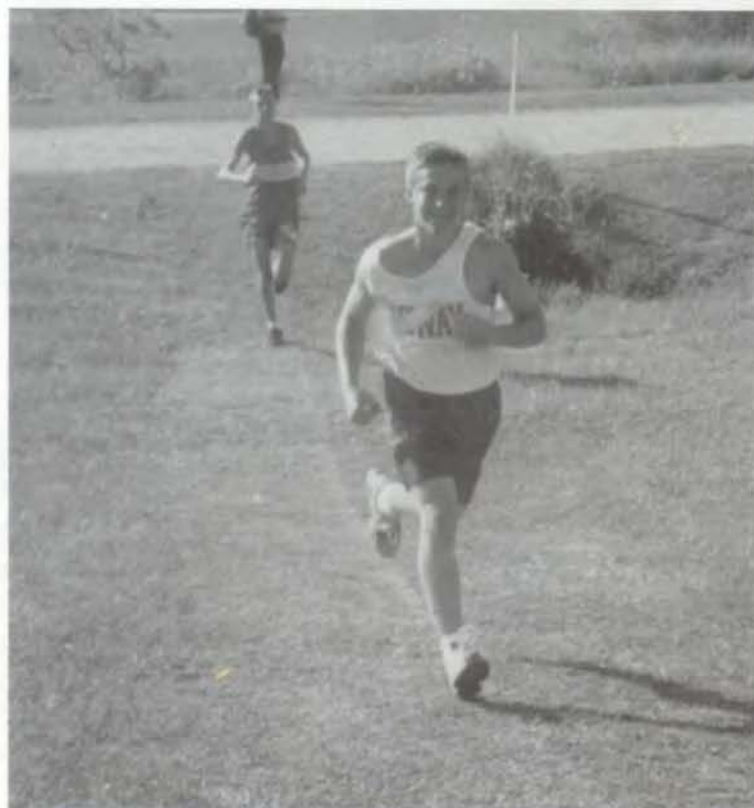
Sarah Henry, Amber Stevens, Luke Lednicky, and Brandon Winchester.



Top: Amanda Stevens, Dusty McNett, Mindee Peuker, Amber Stevens, Sarah Henry, Angela Boos. Bottom: Brandon Winchester, Luke Lednicky, Stephanie Jones, and Natalie Merten.



Freshman Brandon Winchester runs without his shoe at McLouth. He said that his shoe came untied and it was coming off so he just threw it to one of his teammates and finished the race without it.



Freshman Luke Lednicky is three-fourths of the way through his race at McLouth. Lednicky went on to finish first in the junior varsity race.



# crosscountry

Amber Stevens, Sarah Henry, Erinn Groeltz, Angela Boos, Tessa Reist, Lynn Windmeyer, and Callee Simpson won the first place varsity trophy at the McLouth meet.



"For me, this was the most rewarding and fun year that I have ever had in Cross Country. I loved running with all of my teammates during practice because we always came up with something to laugh about. Mr. Leatherman should get credit for making this year a blast. He always comes up with new running games and different places to run and that makes the season all the more enjoyable."

**Amber Stevens,  
Junior**

## Team Schedule

Maur Hill-  
9/9/99

Wamego-  
9/11/99

McLouth-  
9/16/99

Troy-  
9/23/99

Horton-  
9/30/99

Sabetha-  
10/7/99

Jackson Heights  
10/19/99

Regionals/Washington  
10/23/99

State/Wamego-  
10/30/99

Left: Stephanie Jones, Angela Boos, Sarah Henry, and Amber Stevens work hard during their pool workout.



Sophomore **Angela Boos** shows her acrobatic skills at the Strasburg's pool during her free time between workouts.



Junior **Sarah Henry** keeps her pace in the varsity race at McLouth.



Sophomore **Stephanie Jones** keeps up with the competition at the beginning of the race at McLouth.



# Eagles' Hard Work Pays Off

## We ALWAYS Represent

Morning after morning, day after day, week after week, this year's team worked hard and had fun doing it. Through ups and downs they stuck together and defined the word TEAM.

The Eagles went into the season with high expectations, and though not all of their goals were met, their final record of 15-7 certainly was nothing to be ashamed of. They made memories that will not be forgotten, and friendships that will never die.

## I'll NEVER Forget...

**Amanda Stevens:**... "The Elwood Tournament code words: 'Red Alert'."

**Sarah Henry:**... "All of us trying to sing the Star-Spangled Banner before the Elwood game at home."

**Andrea Hensley:**... "Singing 'Goodbye Earl' on the bus. It became like our theme song."

**Angela Boos:**... "When we played charades before the Bern Tourney- we had many potential actresses (or comedians) in the locker room that night!"

**Jennifer Walsh:**... "When the coaches and underclassmen had to take animal lessons."

**Amber Stevens:**... "All of our 'lighting up' with matches."

**Laura Albers:**... "When they sang to Coach Johnson at Ryan's for his 'birthday', and called him Buzz."

**Ryann Owens:**... "The practice when Coach Bottom was being serious, and everyone was standing around giggling and holding their shirts over their noses."

**Michelle Walsh:**... "Our pregame W.A.R. cry."



First Row: Stephanie Jones, Amanda Thompson, Laura Albers, and Natalie Merten. Second Row: Ryann Owens, Andrea Hensley, Michelle Walsh, and Angela Boos. Third Row: Sarah Burke-mgr, Niki Hensley-mgr, Jennifer Walsh, Heather Frump, Becky Martin, Shiloh Davis-mgr, Kristina Ingram-mgr. Fourth row: Amanda Stevens, Amber Stevens, Rachael Ricklefs, and Sarah Henry.

Michelle Walsh jumps for the ball against B&B.



Ryann Owens listens carefully to instructions from the bench.



## HONORS

### Elwood Tournament Team,

Amanda Stevens,  
Michelle Walsh  
Honorable Mention-  
Becky Martin

### All-County Team,

Michelle Walsh  
Honorable Mention-  
Becky Martin,  
Amanda Stevens

### All-Atchison-Area Team,

Becky Martin  
Michelle Walsh  
Honorable Mention-  
Amanda Stevens

Heather Frump looks to pass inside against B&B.





# basketballbasketball



"I thought our team worked well together this year. We were more of a family than a team."

Heather Frump, Senior

|                   | us | them |
|-------------------|----|------|
| Dawson-Verdon*    | 59 | 24   |
| Wetmore*          | 35 | 19   |
| Bern*             | 36 | 42   |
| Sacred Heart      | 46 | 61   |
| Horton            | 45 | 57   |
| Highland          | 59 | 47   |
| Wetmore           | 42 | 29   |
| Dekalb            | 59 | 10   |
| Troy              | 34 | 36   |
| St. Joe Christian | 54 | 21   |
| Craig**           | 50 | 19   |
| Dawson-Verdon**   | 57 | 15   |
| Stewartsville**   | 50 | 30   |
| Wathena           | 33 | 49   |
| Highland          | 61 | 46   |
| Elwood            | 70 | 28   |
| Troy              | 46 | 63   |
| Kickapoo Nation   | 75 | 11   |
| Jackson Hts.      | 53 | 38   |
| Kickapoo Nation   | 66 | 13   |
| Elwood~           | 54 | 16   |
| Baileyville~      | 38 | 81   |

\*Bern Tournament  
\*\*Elwood Tournament  
~Regionals

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Sarah Henry puts up a three-pointer against Troy.



Michelle Walsh looks in a pass in the paint.

The team huddles after introductions, before their last game.



Amanda Stevens puts up a lay-in, after a steal against St. Joe Christian.



Jennifer Walsh posts up big against Troy.



Becky Martin plays defense against Baileyville in the second round of Regionals.



# Eagles finish with third consecutive 20 win season

## NEVER give up, NEVER give in

The Eagles stepped on the court this season ready to make a statement and they did. They started the season with three straight wins to take the Bern pre-season tournament. Then came their first and only loss in the regular season to the Sacred Heart Irish. From then on the Eagles never looked back, going on to win 16 straight games including three wins to take first in the Elwood tournament for the fourth straight year. The regular season ended with a 19-1 record that earned them a number one seed for Regionals. The Eagles defeated Baileyville in two overtimes to move on to the Regional championship. Midway then faced the Bern Indians for the second time of the season. Once again the Eagles played another hard fought game and won by a buzzer shot with no time remaining. The Eagles earned a spot in the Marysville Sub-State where they faced the Hanover Wildcats, two-time defending state champs. The almost-perfect season came to end against the Wildcats. The Eagles stayed close with the Wildcats, but fell short of the State tournament, 41-51. The Eagles finished the season at 22-2. Midway made some memories throughout the season that not only the fans, but the players will never forget.

### I'll Never forget...

**Eric Fuhrman:**... "How much running we had to do in practice."

**Tim Sanderson:**... "The last second buzzer shot Jeff made to beat Bern by one in the Regional championship game. That was nice."

**Mark Scholz:**... "Being 5'9" and going up for the jump ball."



First Row: Amanda Stevens mgr., Kevin Thompson mgr., Kyle Miller mgr., Jenny Boos mgr., Second Row: Coach Jim Leatherman, Brad Scholz, Luke Helmstetter, Brett Miner, Mark Scholz, Tim Sanderson, Coach George Jones, Third Row: Matt Pauly, Eric Fuhrman, Cohen Otte, Jeff Falk, Nathan Bevis, Daren Roberts, Tyler Martin, Kenny Bessette, Fourth Row: Luke Lednicki, Cory Steltenpohl, Shawn Kuhnert, Ted Freeman, Brandon Winchester, Dustin Steltenpohl, Dusty McNett.



Daren Roberts posts up strong against a Highland defender.

Eric Fuhrman takes the ball in for an Eagle lay-up.

### HONORS

Topeka Capital-Journal

Jeff Falk - Honorable Mention

Daren Roberts - Honorable Mention

Tyler Martin - Honorable Mention

Wichita Eagle

Jeff Falk - Honorable Mention

Daren Roberts - Honorable Mention

Atchison All-Area

Jeff Falk - First Team

Daren Roberts - Second Team

All County Team

Jeff Falk - First Team

Daren Roberts - First Team

Tyler Martin - Second Team

Elwood Tournament

Jeff Falk - First Team

Daren Roberts - First Team

Tyler Martin - Second Team

Kansas Sports Magazine

Jeff Falk - Second team



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# basketballbasketball

Jeff Falk gets high for a jumpshot against Baileyville.



"We had a lot of fun  
and had some really  
exciting games. I'm  
just sorry it's over."

--Jeff Falk, Senior

|                   | us | them |
|-------------------|----|------|
| Dawson-Verdon     | 79 | 50   |
| Wetmore           | 54 | 38   |
| Bern              | 60 | 49   |
| Sacred Heart      | 52 | 53   |
| Horton            | 64 | 48   |
| Highland          | 71 | 39   |
| Wetmore           | 68 | 41   |
| Dekalb            | 68 | 54   |
| Troy              | 62 | 37   |
| St. Joe Christian | 72 | 36   |
| Dawson-Verdon     | 73 | 38   |
| Craig             | 59 | 24   |
| Dekalb            | 65 | 53   |
| Wathena           | 66 | 47   |
| Highland          | 75 | 45   |
| Elwood            | 72 | 31   |
| Troy              | 75 | 41   |
| Kickapoo          | 80 | 55   |
| Jackson Heights   | 48 | 42   |
| Kickapoo          | 75 | 20   |
| Baileyville       | 74 | 68   |
| Bern              | 49 | 48   |
| Hanover           | 41 | 51   |

Record

22-2



Brandon Winchester looks down the  
court for the open man.

Mark Scholz tries to  
outjump his taller opponent.



# Team and Individual Efforts Successful

## NEVER satisfied

The 2000 girls and boys track season was full of enthusiasm, hard work, and desire. It seemed that the boys would not be satisfied unless they walked away from a track meet with a first place trophy, which they accomplished six out of eight times. "I was pretty pleased with the boys' wins because in some of the meets there was excellent competition with bigger schools and it's always nice to be able to beat bigger schools," said coach Jim Leatherman. Although the girls did not win any championships, they still did their best and produced a season that was memorable and fun.

## I'll NEVER Forget...

**Matt Pauly:**... "The day Coach Bottom met up with the garter snake."

**Adam Stevens:**... "Steve trying to kill a squirrel."

**Jennifer Hamilton:**...

"The annoying relays I had to run in."

**Mark Scholz:**... "Brett's thong."

**Nathan Bevis:**... "Steve at the Axtell track meet."

**Eric Fuhrman:**... "The blonde boys of 2000."

**Andrea Hensley:**... "The time Mrs. Pauly bought our weight man relay team breadsticks because we placed second."



Front Row: Jenny Boos mgr., Amber Stevens, Shelly Becker, Tyler Martin, Luke Lednicki, Stephanie Jones mgr. Second Row: Adam Stevens, Brad Scholz, Matt Pauly, Andrea Hensley, Erica Herrs, Jennifer Hamilton, Steve Christopher, Brandon Winchester, Tyson Rush, Angela Boos. Back Row: Mark Scholz, Eric Fuhrman, Daren Roberts, Nathan Bevis, Brett Miner.



Waiting to hear the long jump results, Coach Leatherman entertains Coach Bottom and Tyson Rush with a joke.



Brandon Winchester waits for the gun before he begins the race.



Giving it his all, Tyler Martin pushes himself to reach the finish line first.

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## HONORS

### Broken School Records

Tyson Rush, TJ/HJ  
Daren Roberts, discus

### State Track Meet

- Daren Roberts, 5th Discus, shot partic.
- Tyler Martin, 3rd 400
- Tyson Rush, 4th HJ, 6th TJ, partic. HH
- 1600 Relay, 2nd (Eric Fuhrman, Mark Scholz, Nathan Bevis, Tyler Martin & Brandon Winchester alt.)
- Angela Boos, 800/1600 partic.
- Eric Fuhrman, 7th TJ



Andrea Hensley tries her best to reach her goal in the shot put.



Eric Fuhrman competes in the triple jump at the Panther Relays.



# tracktrack



"Track was a lot of fun this year. Considering we only had six girls on the team, we had a surprisingly good season."

Erica Herrs, Junior

|         |                     |
|---------|---------------------|
| 3/31    | <b>Elwood</b>       |
|         | Boys First Place    |
| 4/14    | <b>Axtell</b>       |
|         | Boys Third Place    |
| 4/18    | <b>Wakefield</b>    |
|         | Boys Second Place   |
| 4/18    | <b>Highland</b>     |
|         | Boys First Place    |
| 4/27    | <b>Donipan Cty.</b> |
|         | Boys First Place    |
| 5/4     | <b>Wathena Inv.</b> |
|         | Boys First Place    |
| 5/8     | <b>Midway Inv.</b>  |
|         | Boys First Place    |
| 5/15    | <b>J. Hts Inv.</b>  |
|         | Boys First Place    |
| 5/19    | <b>Regionals</b>    |
|         | Boys First Place    |
| 5/26-27 | <b>State</b>        |



The girls are all smiles on their way home from the last regular season track meet at Jackson Heights.



Preparing to run in her first race of the day, Angela Boos warms up on the track.



Brett Miner changes his shoes after finishing one of his races.

Concentrating on the race, Tyson Rush looks to the next hurdle.

## I'll NEVER Forget...

**Beth Lednicky:**... "When we were coming home from a football game on the pep bus, Mr. Spangler was driving and we cruised the strip in Atchison."

**Laura Albers:**... "When I kicked in our dance to Mighty Eagles at a pep rally, I came down wrong and sprained my ankle."

**Amanda Thompson:**... "When the junior and senior football players helped us with cheers and a routine at a pep rally."

The football players help pump up the crowd by attempting to copy the cheerleaders' dance routine at a pep rally.



Cheerleaders pump up the crowd with cheers during the game.



Could there be male cheerleaders in the future of MHS?



Football cheerleaders left to right: Beth Lednicky, Amber Stevens, Amanda Thompson, Rachael Ricklefs, Amy Halling, and Laura Albers.



# fans in the stands *fans in the stands*



Fans show their spirit in their different ways at the boys Sub-State game in Marysville.

Cheers are heard from all around at the games at Midway. No matter what sport there are always dedicated fans there for support through any win or loss. For some, showing their spirit could be traveling great distances as they go to all or most of the games.

## Fans hit the road...

**Cross Country - 1,154 miles**

**Football - 577 miles**

**Volleyball - 497 miles**

**Basketball - 953 miles**

**Track - 688 miles**



Jenny Boos and Mindee Peuker choose to watch the football game in a front row seat instead of walking the sidelines.

Michelle Walsh, Shelly Becker, Ryann Owens, Sarah Henry, Mindee Peuker, and Amanda Stevens show their stomachs off as a sign of their spirit on Homecoming night.







# Student Life

NEVER



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DULL

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# Body piercing and tattooing the latest fad...What is the experience really like?



"I was scared at first because I was sitting there as he was 'prepping' me and it hit me, oh my gosh he is actually going to use a needle and poke me with it. After they started it felt like when your foot falls asleep; it was all tingly. It hurt the most when he was coloring the moon in. In my opinion I think that if you want it but everyone else thinks it is bad, don't listen to them because it is your body and your decision. I don't regret it at all."

senior Lisa Collins

"I really wasn't nervous about getting my tongue pierced because I had wanted it done for a long time. I sat in a chair and the lady that pierced it stuck a long needle through my tongue. It hurt the most when she put the barbell in and had to twist it around to make sure it was tight. I think the worst part was my tongue swelling up for about a week after I had it done. I couldn't eat solid food for a few days."

senior Billie Underwood



"At first I was really nervous and scared to death, but Billie reassured me it was okay. The only part that really hurt was when the guy missed the first time and had to do it over and about the third or fourth day after my belly-button was pierced was when it was the sorest. I think everyone should experience some sort of piercing on their body other than their ears."

senior Melissa Helmstetter

"When I pierced my eyebrow and nose all I used was a needle and some ice. It didn't hurt like I thought it would."

freshman Crystal DuVall



## HOW



### What are students listening to?

#### Top 5 country CDs

1. Dixie Chicks- *Fly*
2. Dixie Chicks- *Wide Open Spaces*
3. Faith Hill- *Breathe*
4. Martina McBride- *Emotions*
5. Kenny Chesney- *Everywhere I Go*

#### Top 5 Rock/Rap CDs

1. Kid Rock- *Devil Without A Cause*
2. KORN- *Follow The Leader*
3. Limp Bizkit- *Significant Other*
4. Juvenile- *400 Degreez*
5. Powerman 5000- *Tonight The Stars Revolt*



# STUDENTS \$PEND THEIR MONEY



Food, clothes, gasoline, dates, CDs, tanning, hair dye, entertainment, etc., are just a few things that students spend money on. The teenage lifestyle is an expensive one. Many students choose to eat fast food, and to buy snacks during break at school. This adds up fast. Nowadays to get name-brand clothing one can expect to pay between \$30-\$50 for a pair of jeans and \$10-\$40 for a shirt. It all depends on the brand; Abercrombie and Lucky are a couple of the most expensive. CDs are between \$13-\$20 and some students have quite a collection. When it gets close to prom a lot of girls tan and this is really expensive. It is \$3 for one tan or \$25 for 10 and one can expect to pay between \$20-\$30 on tanning accelerator lotion. Students spend a great deal of money on gas since the prices are soaring this year. Now it costs up to



\$1.69 per gallon and is expected to increase to \$2 over the summer.



## Many guys at Midway are **Dyeing to Be Blonde.**

The coloring of hair has become a very popular trend this year. Girls may highlight or dye their hair a completely different color and many of the guys have tipped or dyed their hair blonde. Hair color has become a fashion accessory. It gives teens a way to express themselves and be different. Usually guys have a friend dye their hair or do it themselves and girls usually go to the salon. Hair dye costs between \$7 and \$9 when one buys it and having it done at the salon one would pay between \$20-\$40, depending on hair length.





# the things we do...

What do you prefer?

A business person or an athlete?

Males prefer

Business - 29%  
Athlete - 71%

Females prefer

Business - 35%  
Athlete - 65%



The preferred "athletic type" is demonstrated by this photo of the volleyball team.

Q. Is kissing in public okay?

Males say...

Yes - 97%  
No - 3%

Females say...

Yes - 91%  
No - 9%



Luke Helmstetter and Jennifer Walsh posed for this photo illustration showing that most students have no problem seeing this kind of P.D.A.

"If you ask them, they will respond."

Would you go on a blind date set up by your best friend?

Males *Yes* *No*  
74% 26%

Females *Yes* *No*  
79% 21%

Would you date your 5th cousin if he or she were a supermodel?

Males *Yes* *No*  
84% 16%

Females *Yes* *No*  
56% 44%

Q. What length of hair do you prefer in the opposite sex?

Males prefer...

Short hair - 3%  
Long hair - 48%  
Don't care - 48%

Females prefer...

Short hair - 76%  
Long hair - 0%  
Don't care - 24%



Andrea Hensley is one Midway female with the preferred long hair status.



Mark Scholz, Daren Roberts, and Tim Sanderson have the short hair that most females like.

TALL or short... Which one?

Males prefer...

**Taller** women - 6%

**Shorter** women - 68%

Don't care - 26%

Females prefer...

**Taller** men - 97%

**Shorter** men - 0%

Don't care - 3%



Kevin Thompson and Natalie Merten demonstrate the preferred height status in a relationship.



# The cold hard facts

**What  
we  
really  
want.**

Looks aren't always the first trait we look for in the opposite sex. Sometimes we take the time to get to know the person and see what kind of personality he or she has. This is what the students at Midway look for.

## **Males**

Sense of humor - 52%  
Honesty - 19%  
Outgoing - 10%

## **Females**

Honesty - 38%  
Sense of humor - 26%  
Outgoing - 15%



Amanda Stevens is known for her outgoing personality and good sense of humor.

## **Looks do matter**

**Looks aren't everything** but they do matter. This is what Midway prefers according to the physical aspect.



## **Males**

Butt - 29%  
Smile - 19%  
Eyes - 16%

## **Females**

Eyes - 41%  
Smile - 29%  
Butt - 21%

Would you...

## **DARE to DATE?**

Would you date someone...

### **with a tongue ring?**

|         |            |           |
|---------|------------|-----------|
| Males   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 71%        | 29%       |
| Females | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 53%        | 47%       |

Would you date somebody...

### **four years younger than you?**

|         |            |           |
|---------|------------|-----------|
| Males   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 52%        | 48%       |
| Females | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 32%        | 68%       |

Would you date someone...

### **with only one arm?**

|         |            |           |
|---------|------------|-----------|
| Males   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 19%        | 81%       |
| Females | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 65%        | 35%       |

Would you date someone...

### **who has dropped out of high school?**

|         |            |           |
|---------|------------|-----------|
| Males   | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 42%        | 58%       |
| Females | <u>Yes</u> | <u>No</u> |
|         | 41%        | 59%       |

## **Preferred COLOR of hair?**



### **Males prefer...**

Blond - 58%  
Brunette - 10%  
Don't Care - 32%

### **Females prefer...**

Blond - 21%  
Brunette - 26%  
Don't Care - 53%



Jenny Boos and Melissa Helmstetter are two Midway blondes.



# The latest technology....

Why do we need it?



"My pager is handy. It is an easy way for my friends to get a hold of me. It is a good and cheap way to keep in touch."

-junior Tim Sanderson

I use my phone for a lot of different reasons. If I need to get in touch with someone about an assignment, if I get a flat tire, if I will be late somewhere, if I forget something at a person's house, or just to talk to people.

- senior Billie Underwood



"I like the many opportunities that are on the computer. It is less time consuming and it makes assignments easier."

- junior Jennifer Knudson

"Laptops are great because there are so many options. You can work on them on your own time. You don't have to go to the library; you can just stay at home. I am glad that people that do not have computers at home have the opportunity to use laptops."

-junior Sarah Henry

## EXPENSES...



### Senior expenses...

Lisa Collins and Melissa Helmstetter try on their graduation gowns.



### Pictures...

Dan Earl poses for his Lifetouch senior photo. Seniors may spend as much as \$400 or more on their professional pictures. Popular studios this year were Rox's and Ranieri's.

### Prom costs...



Jenny Boos and Jennifer Walsh at this year's prom. A prom dress can cost from \$45-\$500 and then there are shoes, undergarments, flowers, hair accessories and styling, jewelry, and tanning.



# STRETCHING \$\$\$ FOR SCHOOL STUFF

Andrea Hensley, Becky Martin and Niki Hensley show their need for backpacks. Some students carry their backpacks to each class and others just use them to cart homework back and forth to school. Backpacks can cost from \$10-\$52.



Students spend a lot for school (or parents in many cases). They have to pay for class rings, prom dresses, letter jackets, school pictures, graduation items, yearbooks, athletic shoes and many other things. Class rings can cost from \$100-\$160. The most expensive thing to buy is a letter jacket, which can cost about \$200-300. Girls buy prom dresses at least two times in high school, if not more. Dresses can cost from \$45-\$500. School pictures are another mildly expensive item. There are different kinds of pictures to buy, especially if students are involved in multiple sports. And for seniors, graduation items can cost from \$100-400.



Computer diskettes, books, scissors, whiteout, paper, pop, Bath and Body Works lotion, gum, candy, and nail polish are just a few of life's "necessities" that add to the costs of being a student.



Students that plan ahead for their futures also have the added expenses of taking college credit classes offered at Midway, or just traveling to the colleges they may be interested in. Jeff Falk and Sarah Henry take a look at one of the career education booths set up in the gym during the Biology II career day expo.



Prom can also be expensive for the guys. Nathan Bevis sported a hat and a cane with his tuxedo for the "gangster" look for prom. A tuxedo can cost about \$140.



The price of showing school spirit can be high. People have to drive to where games are being held and pay to get in, and of course, they have to get something from the concession stand. The cost to get in to a game can range from \$2-\$6.



Being **CRAZY** and having **FUN** are ways in which students get through the **STRESS** of school. These are some of the finer moments at Midway this year. Of course others **GOOF-OFF** more than others. Notice how Luke Helmstetter is in more than one picture.





# Events

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# HOMECOMING

**Monday:** Seniors dress freshmen  
Seniors dress in 70's  
Juniors dress in 60's  
Sophomores dress in 50's

**Tuesday:** Teacher/Celebrity Day  
Freshmen in black & white as  
servants to seniors

**Wednesday:** Camoflauge Day  
Freshmen dress like animals

**Thursday:** Pajama Day  
Freshmen dress as Power  
Rangers or Teletubbies

**Friday:** Blue & Red Day

Seniors **Jenny Boos, Heather Frump, and Melissa Helmstetter** plan their strategy for winning the three-legged race.



Sophomore **Tyler Martin** dresses in style for 50's day during spirit week.



## NEVER looked so good...

"I prepared for homecoming by having a talented friend of mine, Lisa Collins, fix my hair and makeup, and give me some moral support. I was so nervous that I doubt I would have got anything looking right. I was really dreading standing in front of a whole bunch of people. Lisa really helped me calm down. Right before the game started I had to speed home and get my corsage. All in all I had a really busy couple of hours before the dance."

Sarah Burke

"I made Sarah look pretty for the crowning of the king and queen and after I fought with her about painting her fingernails I made myself look decent for the dance."

Lisa Collins



Freshmen **Dustin Steltenpohl, Luke Lednicki, Brad Scholz, Cory Steltenpohl, Cohen Otte, and Shawn Kuhnert** give it all they've got in the tug-of-war.



# King and Queen

Luke Helmstetter  
and  
Sarah Burke



Jeff Falk  
and  
Becky Martin



Nathan Bevis  
and  
Jenny Boos



The football guys take a few minutes away from their half-time pep talk to pose with the girls for pictures. This year, junior **Nathan Bevis** was a candidate because there were only two senior guys.

The newly crowned King,  
**Jeff Falk**, crowns the new  
Queen, **Becky Martin**.



# SNOWBALL

## NEVER looked so good...

"I took a shower and got dressed after our game. Then I dried my hair and while I put on my makeup, Amber Kuhnert curled my hair. I put my shoes on and I was done."

Amanda Stevens

"To prepare myself for the crowning I came to school with just a little makeup on. I watched the game and then when my cousin got there she did my hair and makeup and then later, before the crowning, I put my dress on."

Mindee Peuker

"I rushed in doing my hair and makeup, and I barely made it in time. I was nervous from all of the rushing around that I had to do."

Amber Stevens

Newly crowned king **Eric Fuhrman** takes his time as he opens the envelope to reveal who the new Snowball Queen will be.



A group of students show off their best dance moves.



Jacob Lee and Niki Boos are ready to fulfill their duties as crown bearer and flower girl.



Several couples enjoy a slow dance as the night winds down.



Students sit and chat with newly crowned queen, **Amber Stevens**.



## King and Queen

Eric Fuhrman  
and  
Amber Stevens



Luke Helmstetter  
and  
Amanda Stevens



Mark Scholz  
and  
Mindee Peuker



Eric Fuhrman gives Amber Stevens a hug after placing the crown on her head.

The candidates pose for a picture before the boys have to return to their basketball game against St. Joe Christian.

# PLAY/MUSICAL

## NEVER forget the Cast

*Charlie Brown* - Matt Pauly

*Lucy* - Amber Stevens

*Linus* - Tyler Martin

*Patty* - Jenny Boos

*Snoopy* - Laura Albers

*Schroeder* - Dusty McNett

*Marcie* - Colby Miner



The cast and directors from left to right. Front Row: Dwight Wilcox, Dana Downs, Steve Moellering. Second row: Colby Miner, Jenny Boos, Amber Stevens, Tyler Martin, Matt Pauly, Dusty McNett, Laura Albers.

Snoopy (Laura Albers) flies on his doghouse to find the infamous Red Baron.



"Charles Schultz's imagination, creativity, and simple wisdom have inspired generations and will undoubtedly continue in the generations to come. Who among us has not felt the disappointments and triumphs of Charlie Brown, the bossiness and crabiness of Lucy, or the simple pleasure Linus takes in the security of his blanket? This show is a testament to Schultz's work and life, as well as to the simplicity, wonderment, and magic of childhood. We hope you enjoyed the show as much as we enjoyed putting it together."

-Directors Dana Downs and Dwight Wilcox.

"Since Charles Schultz died recently, I thought it would be a good idea to put on the play for a tribute to him."

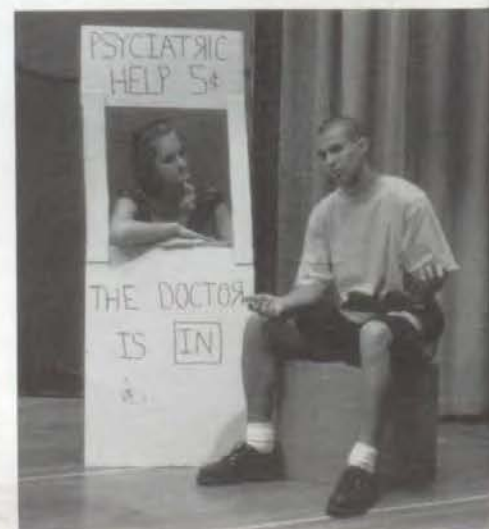
- Matt Pauly

"I was glad that we did the play because Charles spent his life drawing and entertaining others, and I thought it was our turn to do that for him."

- Laura Albers

"We didn't find out until the day before rehearsal that we were doing 'You're A Good Man Charlie Brown.' It meant a lot more knowing that we were doing this play in honor of Charles Schultz. After that, it seemed more personal."

- Amber Stevens



Lucy (Amber Stevens) gives some help to a depressed Charlie Brown (Matt Pauly).



# "You're A Good Man Charlie Brown"

Linus (Tyler Martin) sings "My Blanket and Me."



Snoopy (Laura Albers) cheers Schroeder (Dusty McNett) at bat while Lucy (Amber Stevens) gives Charlie Brown (Matt Pauly) some encouragement for his turn at bat.



Schroeder (Dusty McNett) and Marcie (Colby Miner) point out a flyball.

The *Peanuts* gang sings and performs the "You're a Good Man Charlie Brown" scene.



Andrea Hensley and Sarah Burke prepare the steps to look like grass.

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# PROM

Midway students at this table are Becky Martin, Sarah Burke, Nathan Bevis, Sarah Henry and Jeff Falk. Many of the Midway students had outside dates for Prom.



Lisa Collins and Melissa Helmstetter.



Juniors Michelle Walsh and Shelly Becker pose for pictures with their dates before Prom.



## ALWAYS a good time...

"Everyone looked great and was ready for a good time."

Ryann Owens

"I had fun getting ready for prom. It was nice to be with my friends and we all had a good time."

Jennifer Knudson

"Prom was really special for me this year, especially since it was my last one."

Jennifer Walsh

"I had a good time at prom because I was with my best friends. The girls also looked really good."

Tim Sanderson

"Prom was fun this year. The dance was a lot of fun."

Mark Scholz



Senior girls dance to "Time of My Life."



# Take My Breath Away

Wiki Hensley and Dusty McNett, Erica Hensley and date, and Billie Underwood enjoy the meal.



Jennifer Walsh and her date, Adam Clary.



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moments,  
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things.

## Menu

Tossed Salad  
Grilled Chicken  
Twice Baked Potatoes  
Corn  
Dinner Roll  
Chocolate Mousse  
Tea and Lemonade

## Program

Welcome.....Amber Stevens  
Response.....Becky Martin  
Invocation.....Sarah Henry  
Prophecies.....Mindee Peuker  
Tim Sanderson  
Wills.....Luke Helmstetter  
Closing.....Amber Stevens



Girls kick off their high heels for line dancing. They are joined by a few of the guys.



Sophomore prom servers were Adam Matthias, Jennifer Hamilton, Natalie Merten, Tyler Martin, Angela Boos, Adam Stevens, Andrea Hensley, and Matt Pauly.



# Prom 2000



**Seniors:** Front row: Niki Hensley, Dan Earl, Jeff Falk, Luke Helmstetter, Melissa Helmstetter. Back row: Billie Underwood, Amy Halling, Jenny Boos, Jennifer Walsh, Lisa Collins, Sarah Burke, Becky Martin, Heather Frump.



**Juniors:** Front row: Brett Miner, Tim Sanderson. Second row: Erica Herrs, Michelle Walsh, Shelly Becker, Ryann Owens, Sarah Henry, Mark Scholz. Third row: Jennifer Knudson, Amber Stevens, Beth Lednicky, Mindee Peuker, Renee Weidler, Amanda Stevens. Back row: Kevin Thompson, Nathan Bevis, Nick Williams, Daren Roberts, Eric Fuhrman.



# After Prom

Jenny Boos and Beth Lednicky show off their newly acquired sumo wrestling skills.



## ALWAYS having fun...

"The coolest thing at After Prom was hanging out with my friends and riding the scooters and playing plinko because it was the only way I could win money."

Lisa Collins

"I had the most fun losing all my money at the craps table and winning it all back from Jerry Boos."

Nick Williams

"I had the most fun watching people beat each other up while sumo wrestling. I also had fun watching the people bid on items for the auction at the end of the night."

Niki Hensley



Amanda Stevens and Michelle Walsh fight to get the lead during the tricycle race.



Struggling to reach the finish line, Daren Roberts inches forward on his tricycle.



Shelly Becker stops just long enough during the tricycle race to pose for a picture.



Playing craps for the majority of the night, Kevin Thompson was able to earn close to \$36,000.



The class gathers together before heading home, for one last goodbye at Kalfran lodge.

Luke Helmstetter and Jeff Falk prepare themselves for the sling-shot ride.



Heather Frump, Jenny Boos, Lisa Collins and Becky Martin wait to be rescued from their stalled boat.

### ALWAYS Remember

"I will never forget our boat breaking down in the middle of the lake, and waiting FOREVER for someone to come rescue us!"

Lisa Collins

"I will never forget when my shorts came off while I was tubing! I thought that they would sink, so I was splashing around wildly for them. Then, to top it all off, I had to climb into the boat full of girls, wearing only my tightie-whities!"

Luke Helmstetter

"I will never forget when Becky climbed onto our balcony and tapped on our window to scare us."

Melissa Helmstetter



Lisa Collins demonstrates a new technique for playing miniature golf!



# Senior Sneak



Heather Frump prepares for tubing on the lake.



Niki Hensley enjoys some of Randy's Frozen Custard.



Jeff Falk entertains during some down time at the lodge.



Jenny Boos and Becky Martin.

**Memories that will last for the next 2000 years...**



Even though the boat he was piloting for the seniors had to be towed in, Mr. Leatherman seems to be taking it well.

The class goes for the 20's gangster look, in the traditional old-time photo.



Billie Underwood drives her go-kart like a pro, as she tries to stay ahead of the people behind her.

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# Graduation

## Valedictorians

Sarah Burke, Amy Halling,  
Becky Martin

## Salutatorian

Jeff Falk

## Escorts

Amber Stevens, Amanda Stevens

Eric Fuhrman, Brett Miner

## Programs

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## Class Colors

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## Class Flower

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## Musical Selections

"The River" by Garth Brooks "Friends"  
by Michael W. Smith



The Class of 2000: Front row: Amy Halling, Sarah Burke, Melissa Helmstetter, Niki Hensley, Billie Underwood, Heather Frump. Back row: Lisa Collins, Becky Martin, Dan Earl, Jeff Falk, Luke Helmstetter, Jennifer Walsh, Jenny Boos.



Sarah Burke happily receives her diploma from school board member David Boos.

Jennifer Walsh presents her parents with a rose during the song "Because You Love Me" by Jo Dee Messina.



Niki Hensley receives some last minute touches from her mother before the ceremonies begin.





Heather Frump  
marches in to "Pomp  
and Circumstance."

The senior girls sing  
"Friends" by Michael  
W. Smith.



Luke Helmstetter, Melissa Helmstetter and Amy Halling.

## Class Motto

"In life, true friends are hard to find, harder  
to leave, and impossible to forget!"

## Never Forget

"Graduation was an emotional and exciting time  
for me. Family came that I haven't seen for seventeen  
years. I was very happy that I was graduating."

Nike Hensley

"I never thought that graduation would be so  
emotional and hard to get through as it was. It all  
seemed to hit me at once that it was the end. Thirteen  
years of building friendships was over. I am happy  
and sad at the same time."

Becky Martin

"Graduation came up really fast. I didn't feel like I  
should be up on that stage, but in other ways I was  
really ready for it. The last thirteen years have been  
great. I will really miss all my friends, but also look  
forward to making new ones."

Jenny Boos



Daniel Earl is escorted  
off the stage by Amber  
Stevens.



Jeff Falk and Luke  
Helmstetter are ready for the  
ceremony to begin.

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# AWARDS NIGHT

## CLASSSI Awards

Citizenship.....Amber Stevens  
 Leadership.....Jenny Boos  
 Attitude.....Amanda Stevens  
 Service.....Mindee Peuker  
 Sportsmanship...Jeff Falk  
 School Spirit.....Laura Albers  
 Improvement.....Dan Earl

CLASSSI Award winners Jeff Falk, Amber Stevens, Mindee Peuker, Jenny Boos, Amanda Stevens, Laura Albers and Daniel Earl.



## Scholarships

PTO - Jennifer Walsh, Jenny Boos and Jeff Falk

Schroeder - Heather Frump

Jerry Baker/Booster Club - Sarah Burke

Weingart - Jeff Falk

Vera Frakes - Jenny Boos

David Wehrle - Jennifer Walsh  
 Sarah Burke

The senior class is recognized for their accomplishments.



Jeff Falk receives his Scholar/Athlete award.



Becky Martin receives the American Legion Award while Sarah Burke receives honorable mention.



Amy Jones receives her certificate for being nominated as Most Improved.



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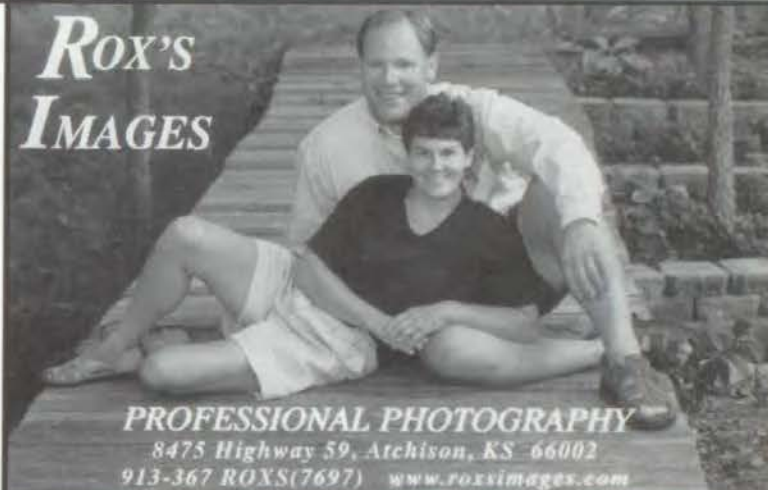


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