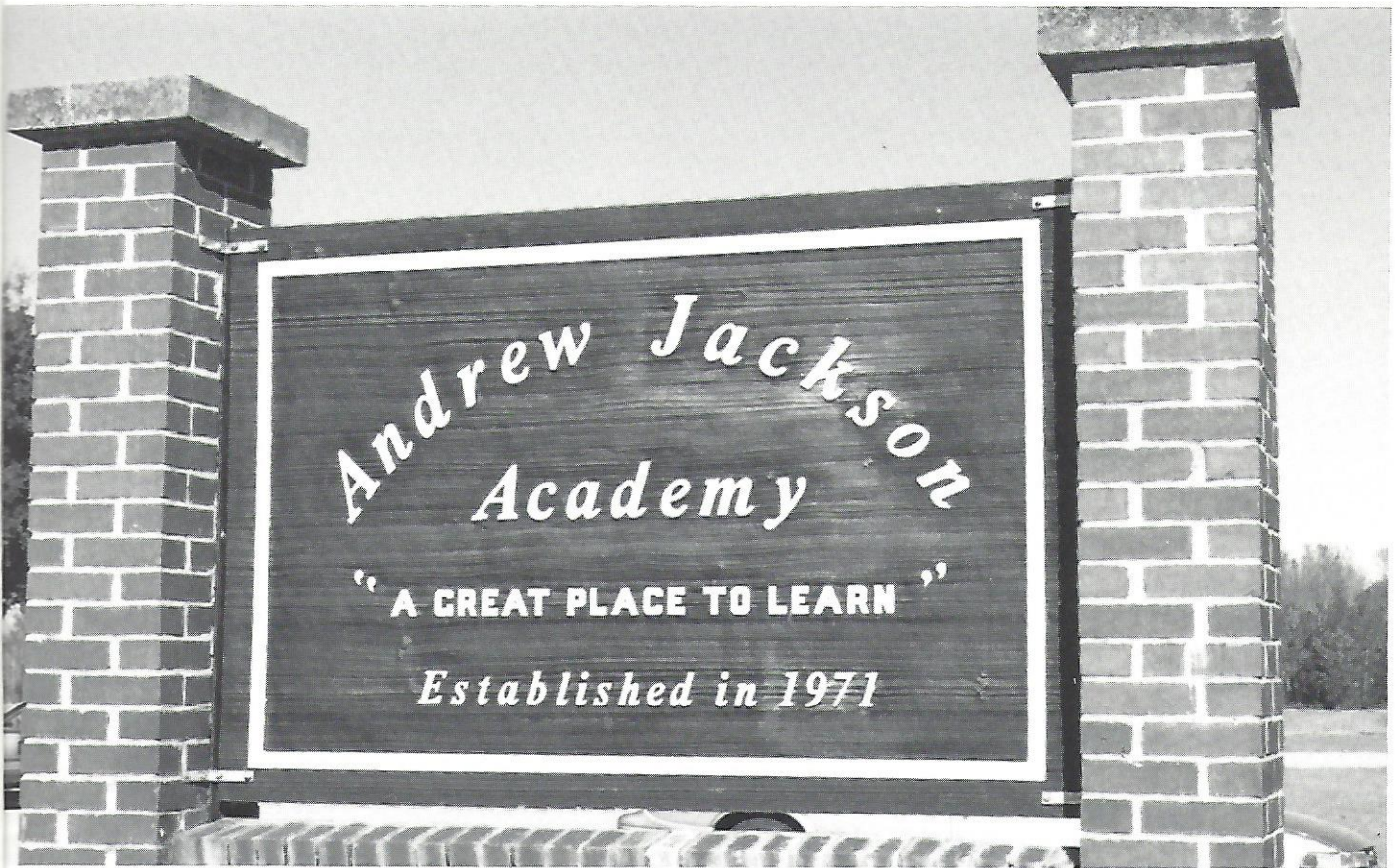




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Dedication

The 1998 Jacksonian Staff is proud to honor a young man who gave to Andrew Jackson Academy as a student and athlete and is now giving of himself as a volunteer coach.

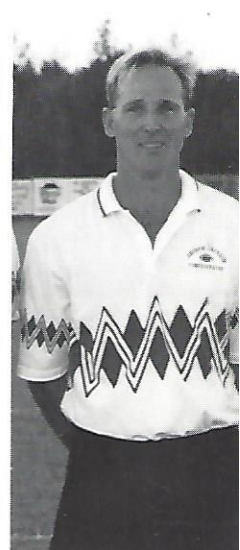
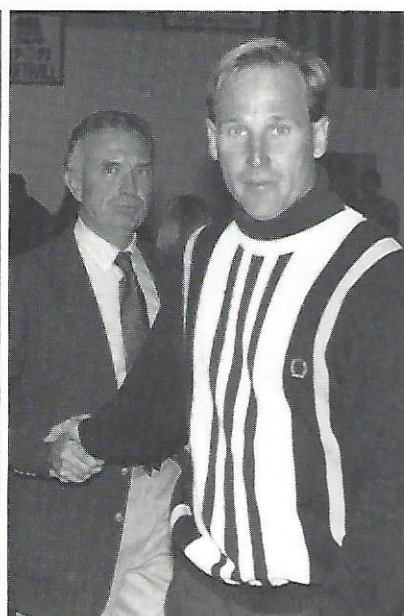
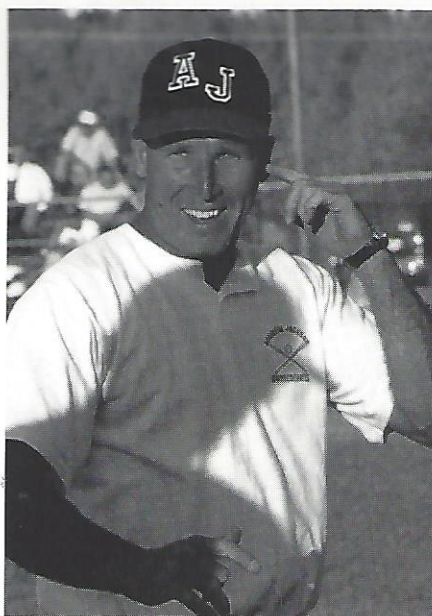
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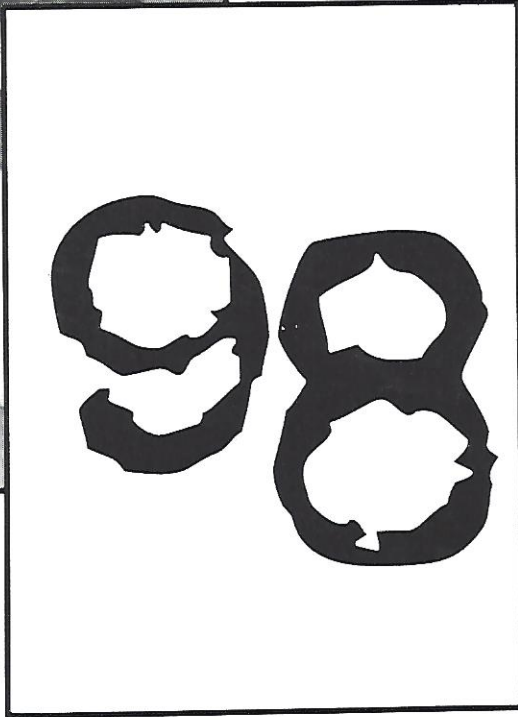
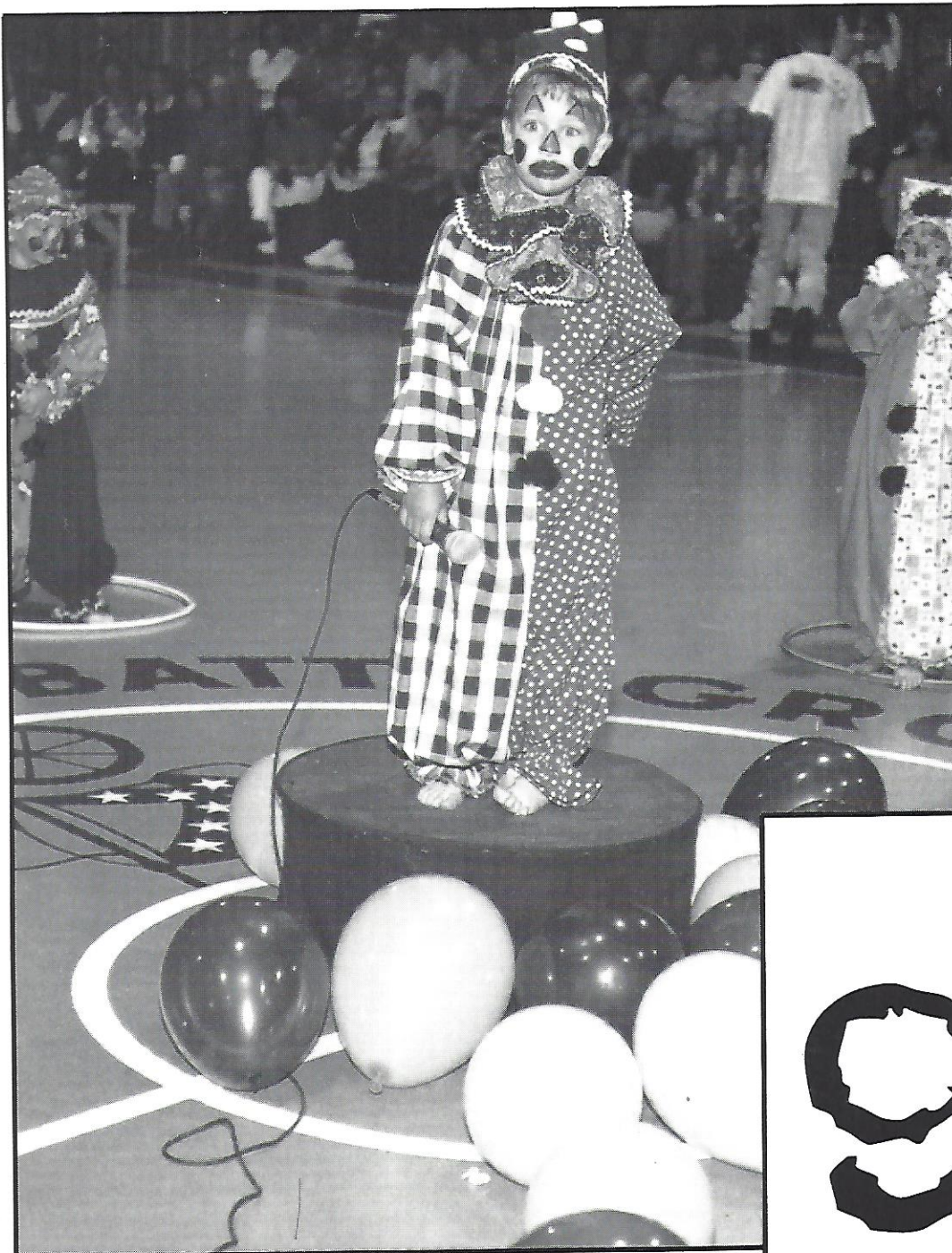
COACH GENE SEASE

Coach Sease has been coaching a variety of sports at Andrew Jackson for a number of years. He has coached football, basketball and baseball. His 1996 and 1997 football teams have won the SCISA 8-Man Football Championships. Coach Sease was named "Coach of the Year" in 1996 and 1997 and has received many other honors and accolades for himself and his teams.

Coach Sease is an energetic and quite excitable coach and we are proud to honor him. Coach Sease, we appreciate you and all you do for Andrew Jackson Academy.

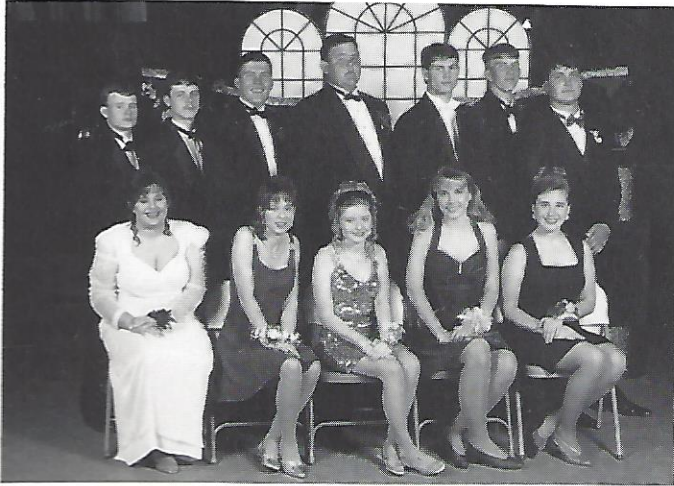
The Many Faces of a Dedicated Coach





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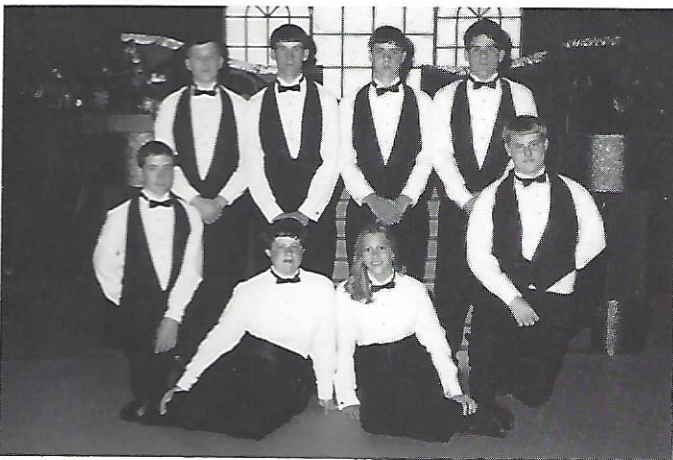
“Living In A Moment”



Class of 1997



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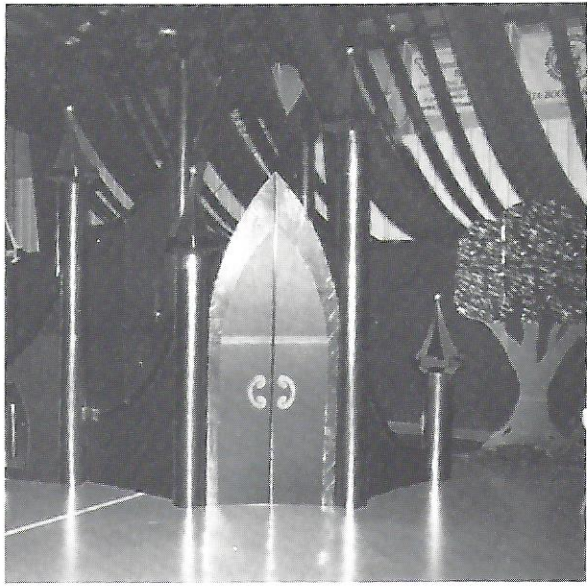
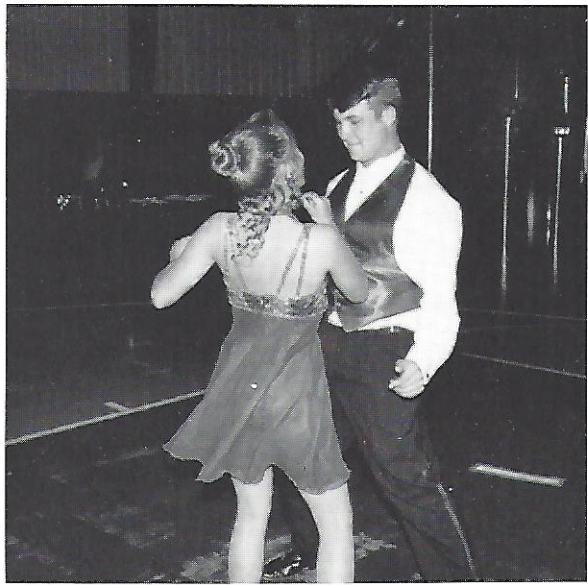
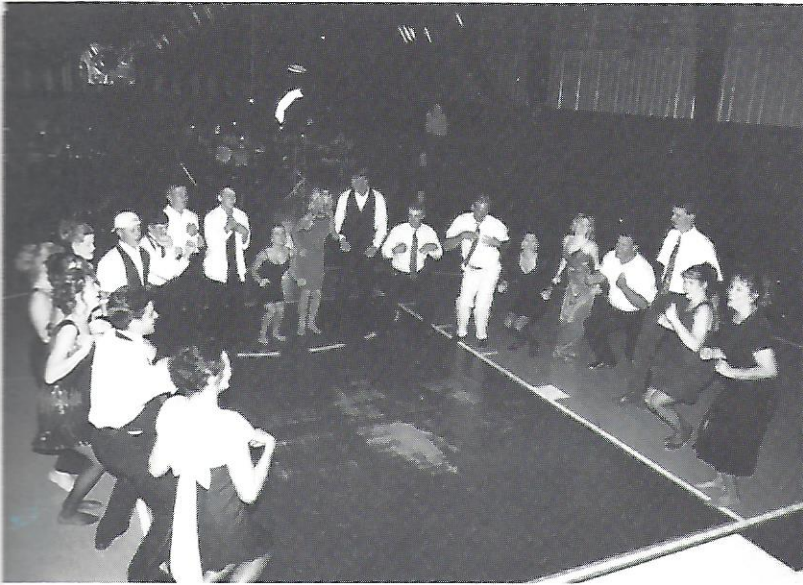
Class of 1999 & 2000



Mrs. Brenda Nipper, Chairman of the Board Larry Nipper, Senior Class President Richard Moore and date Lauren Cooler enjoy the prom.

The Junior Class chose “Living In A Moment” for the prom of 1997. Mrs. Marsha Hughes did another excellent job of leading the junior class into building a fantastic prom. The colors were beautiful, scenes breathtaking, food delicious and music enchanting.

The Senior Class and guests enjoyed “Living In A Moment” in April, 1997.



May Day 1997 — “Shake, Rattle & Roll”



May Queen Kimberly Carter



Maid Of Honor Stacy Fisk



Grammar May Queen Pam Still



Maid of Honor Lori Varnadoc

Students Perform For Queen And Court



Homecoming 1997



Miss Confederate Jodie Martin

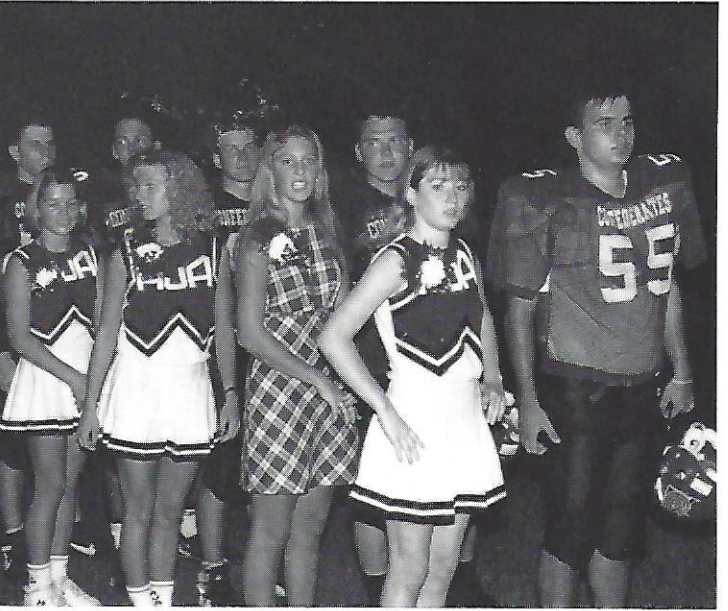


Homecoming Queen Roxanne Brandt



JV Homecoming Queen Lori Varnadoe





Miss AJA Pageant — “Wish Upon A Star”



Little Miss AJA Ashley Freeman



Grammar Miss AJA Ashley Price



Junior Miss AJA Kimberlee Rosier



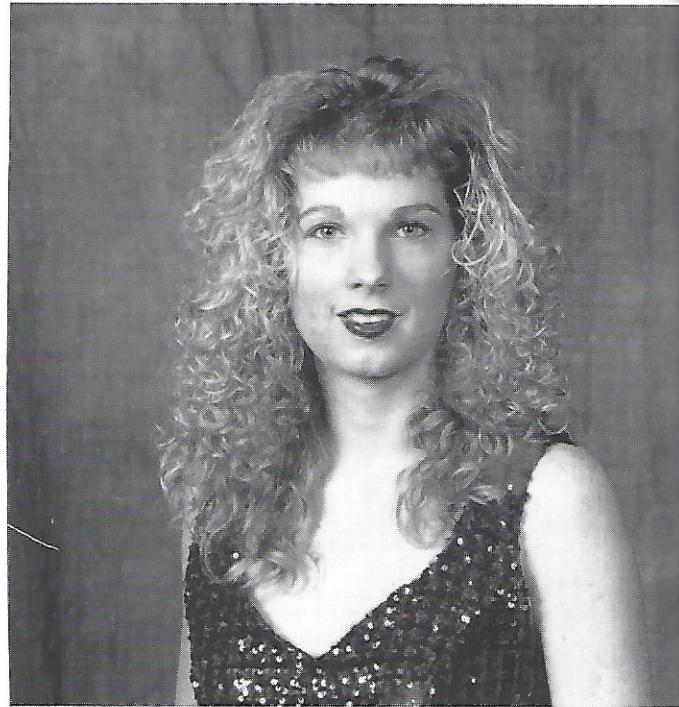
Miss AJA Jodie Martin



May Queens 1998



May Queen Denise Duncan



Maid of Honor Tracey Jones

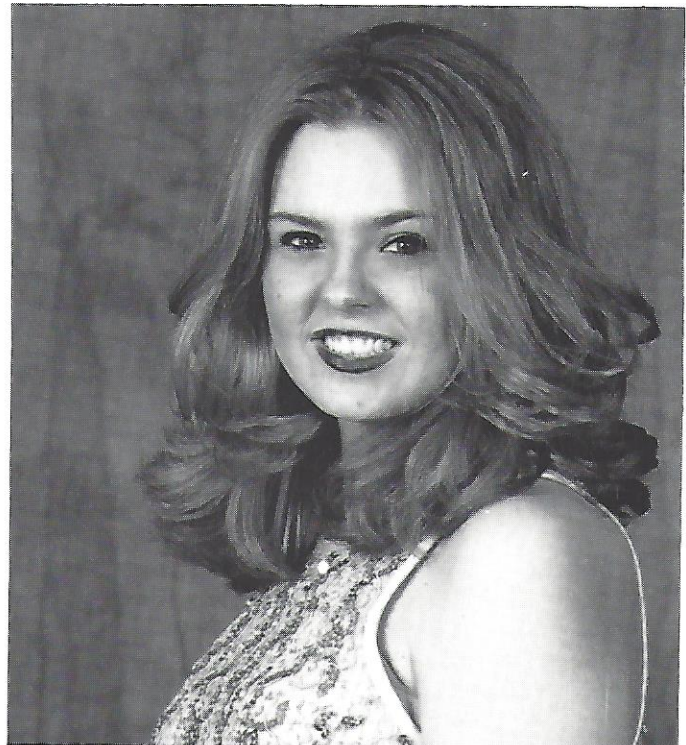


Grammar May Queen Stacey Fender

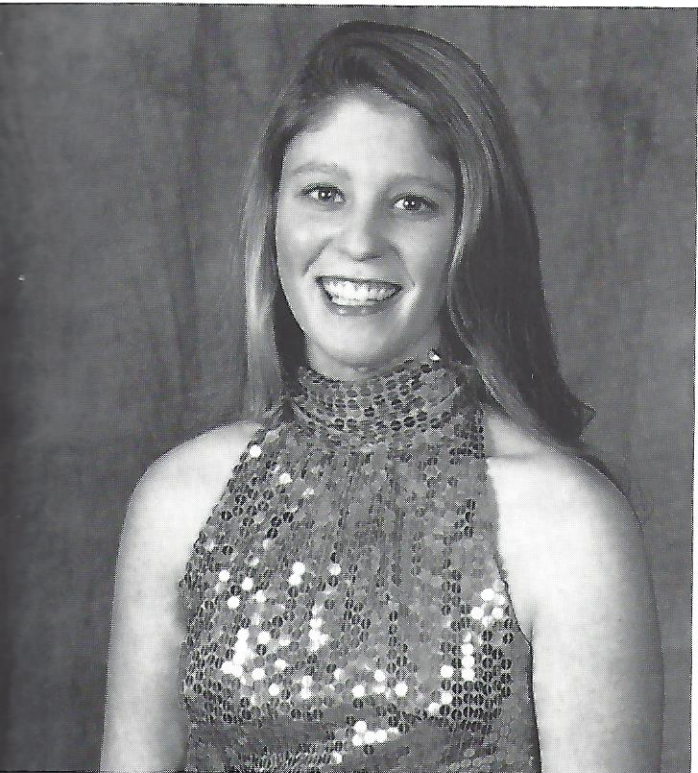
Class Queens 1997-98



Miss Freshman Jodie Martin



Miss Sophomore Amanda Tuorto



Miss Junior Kara Hiers



Miss Senior Denise Duncan



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Seniors

David Walling #52
"Take it easy!"

Denise Duncan #16

Jashea Jones #00

#10
"Take it easy!"

Rebecca Beard #14
#2 - P.I.C. -

#1
"Take it easy!"

#5
"3D"
"Take it easy!"

Kyle R. Alys #88
#21

Roberto,
exchange student
from Brazil #20
"Tractor Bob"

Jeremy "Catfish" Hutson #21

Tracey Jones #22
-P.I.C.-

Jason Poole #56



Senior Babies



Baby Ben



Baby Denise



Baby Jeremy



Baby Josh B.



Baby Rebecca



Baby Josh J.

Senior Babies



Baby David



Baby Tracey



Baby Kyle



Baby Scott



Baby Jason



Baby Roberto

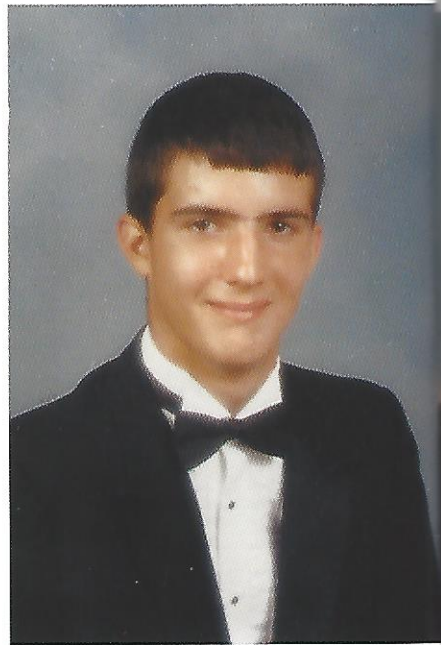
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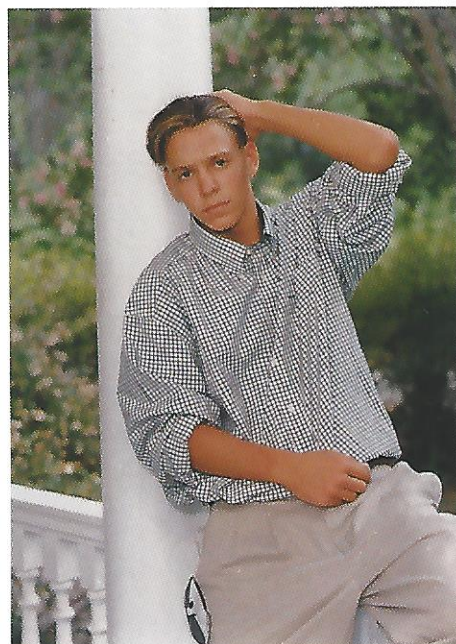
Joshua Oliver Barnes



Rebecca Anne Beard



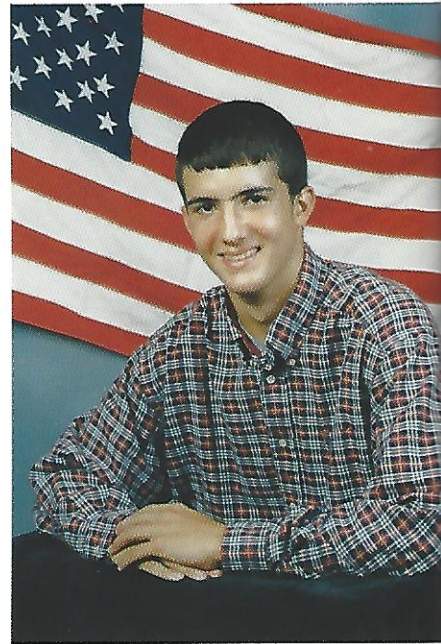
Vernon Scott Carter



"Knowledge is power when it's turned on, and I can turn anything on."



"True power is knowing that you can, but you don't."

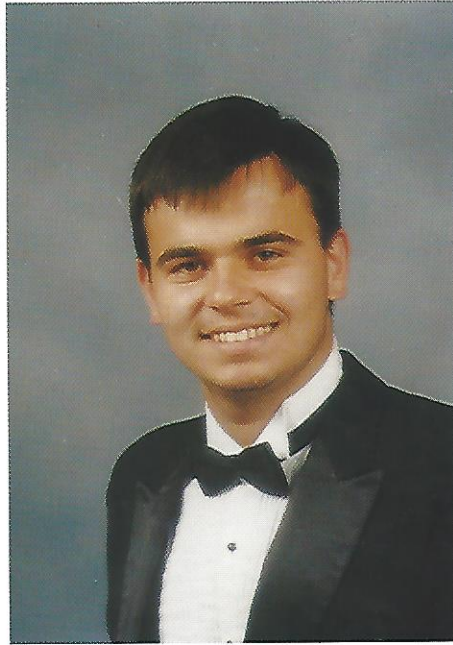


"To accomplish great things we must not only act but also dream, not only plan but believe."

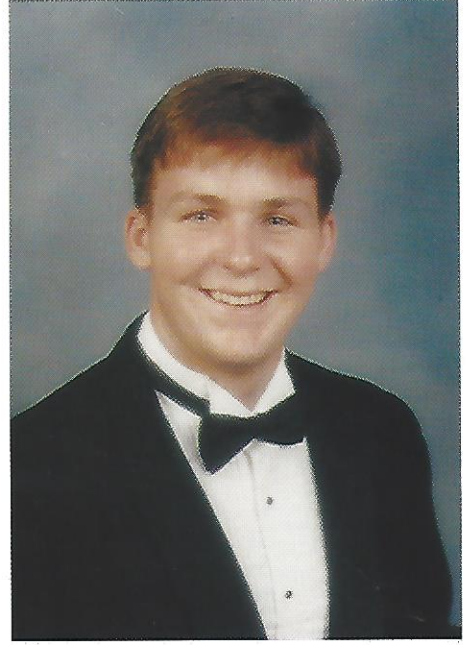
Class Of 1998



April Denise Duncan



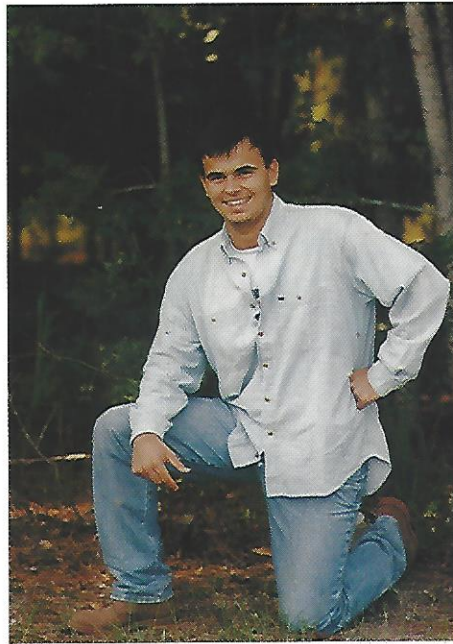
Roberto Faria Guimares



Kyle Rafton Hiers



Some people dream of success while others wake up and work hard at it!"



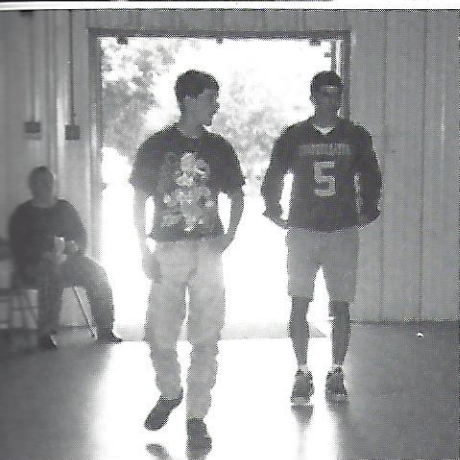
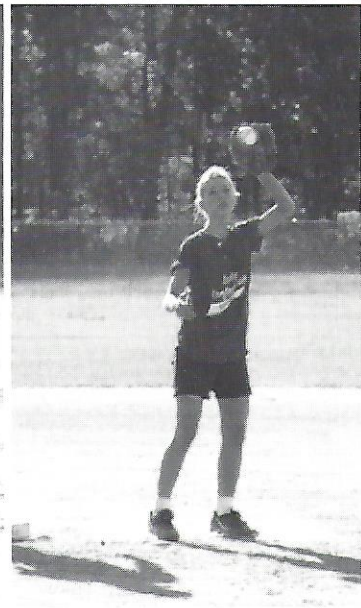
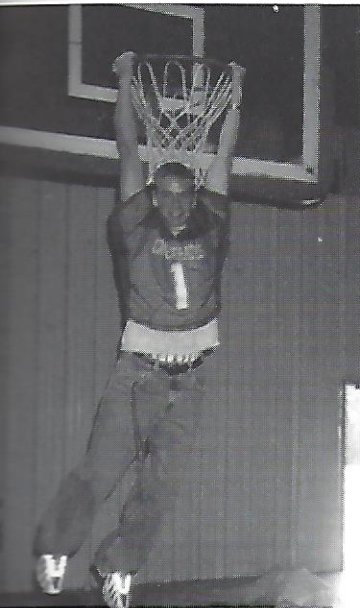
"Many tiny raindrops will swell the mighty river."



"God made a promise — faith believes it, hope anticipates it, patience quietly awaits it."

Senior Activities

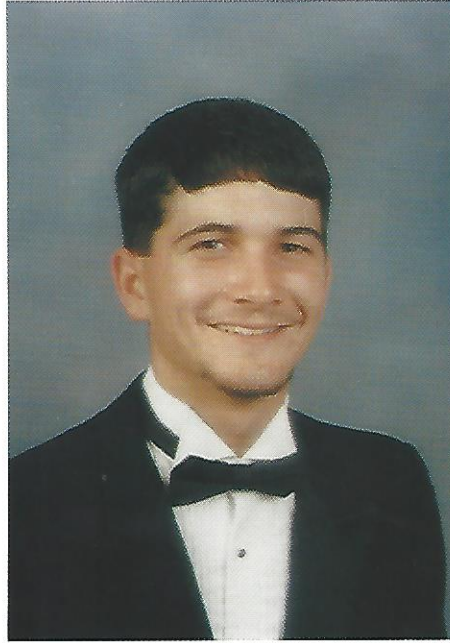




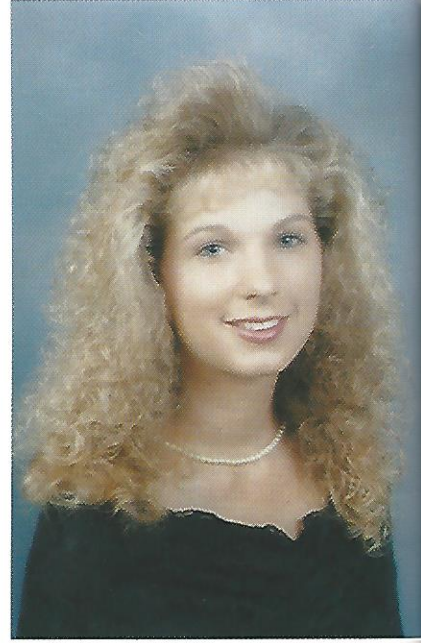
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Jeremy Isiah Hutson



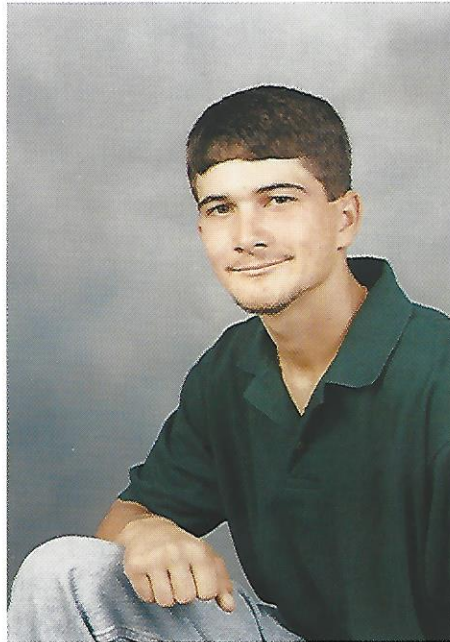
Joshua Brent Jones



Tracey Delaine Jones



"Never part with ones loving words — they might be your last."



"Once your mind is stretched by new ideas, it can never go back to its former size."



"Knowing your limitations is the first step toward overcoming them."

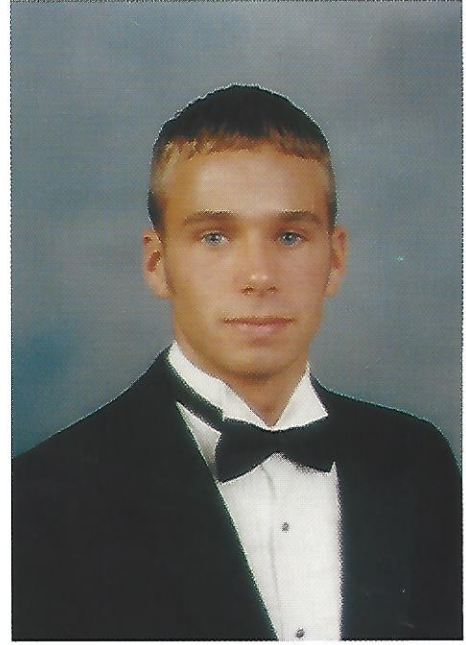
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Jason Robert Toole



David Osborne Walling



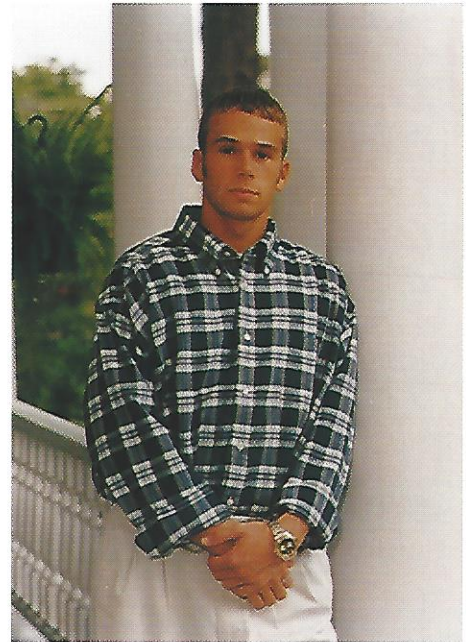
Kenneth Benjamin Willis



"Fear of the future is a waste of the present."



"Best thinking is during quiet times looking at what others have overlooked."

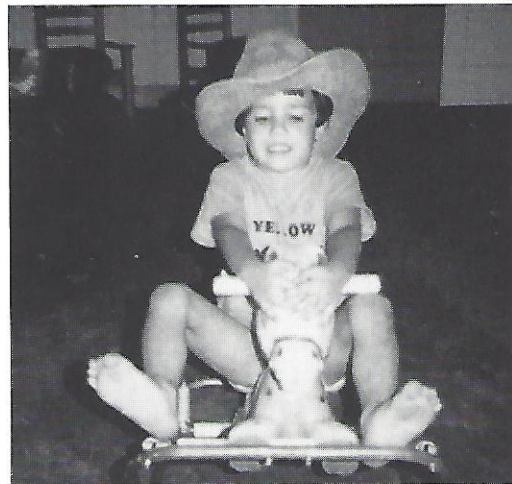


"If my mind can conceive it and my heart can believe it then I know I can achieve it."

Young And On The Way To Success



Roberto and his family in Brazil. Roberto is enjoying a ride on a donkey with the help of his dad.



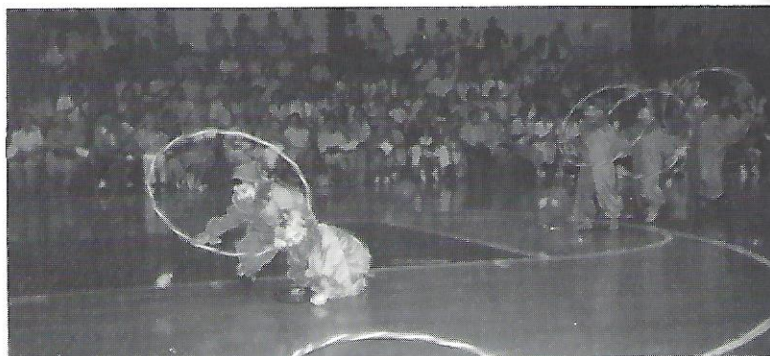
"Ride 'em, cowboy!" Scott Carter is taking quite a ride but getting nowhere.



Those Little AJA Cheerleaders enjoyed performing for the crowd at an AJA football game.



The Class of '98 enjoyed their first class trip to the zoo. Next trip ... Sea Cruise.





First Grade — Miss Kim had quite a time with these eleven students. Do you recognize them?



Mrs. Joan Godley gives Denise Duncan some instruction on "How To Smile" and being a happy clown.



We're all dressed up and ready to perform so let us do our thing!

Scott Carter may be wearing his Easter Bonnet and rocking his blues away.



Denise Duncan and David Walling are awaiting the thrill of receiving Kindergarten diplomas.



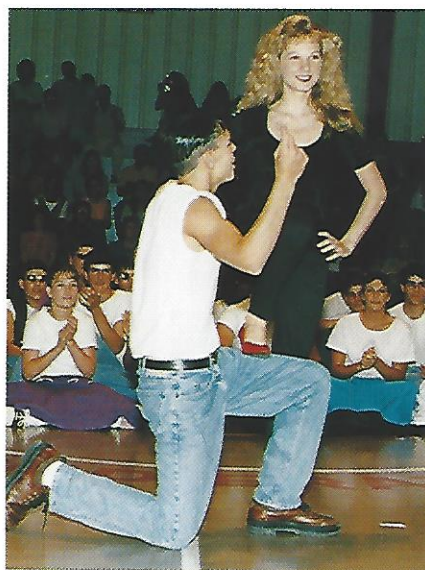
These pretty ladies are part of the annual May Day festivities.

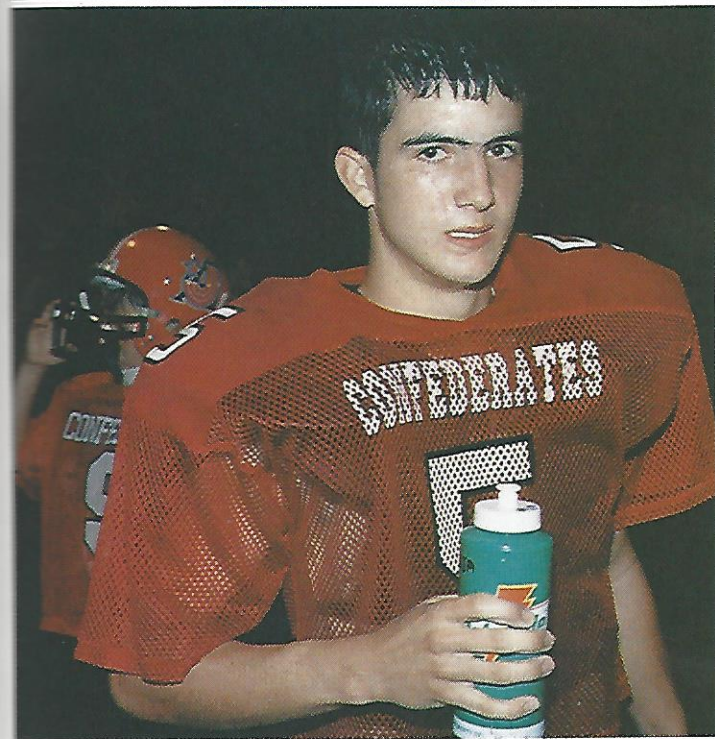
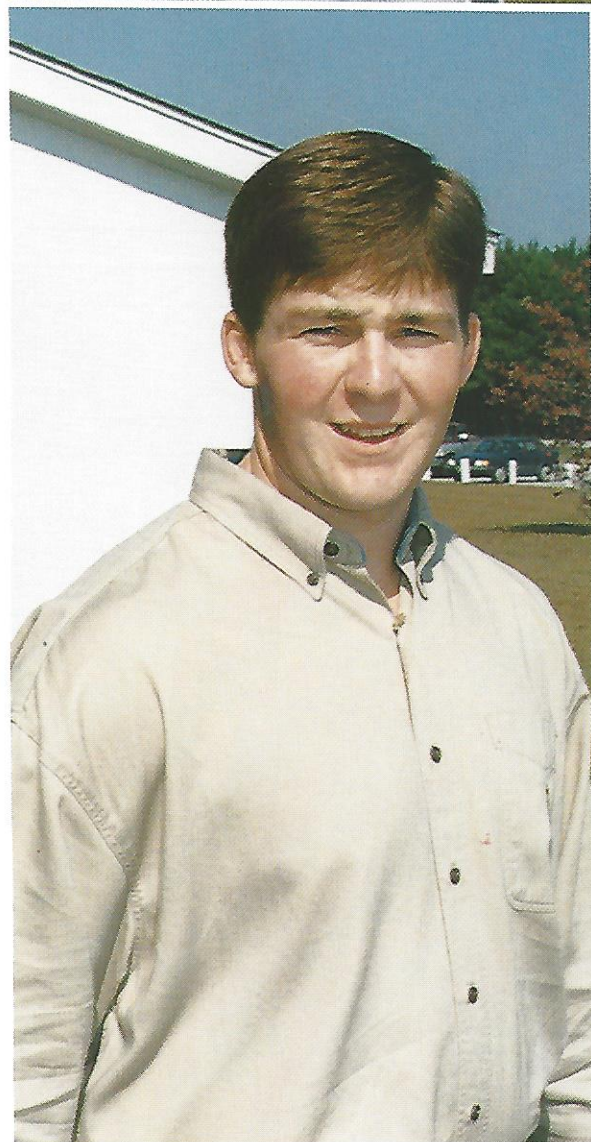
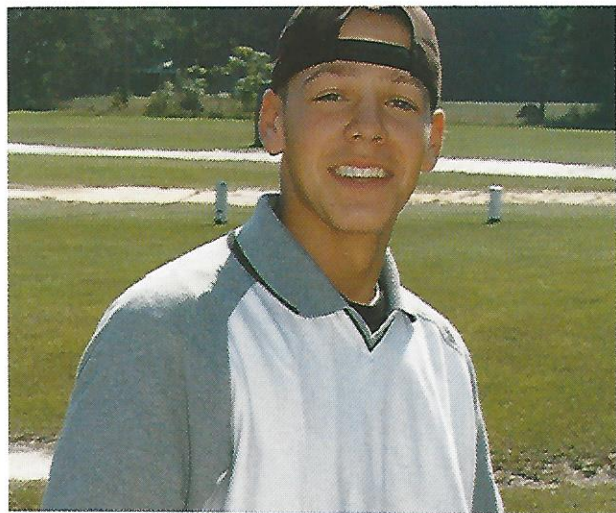
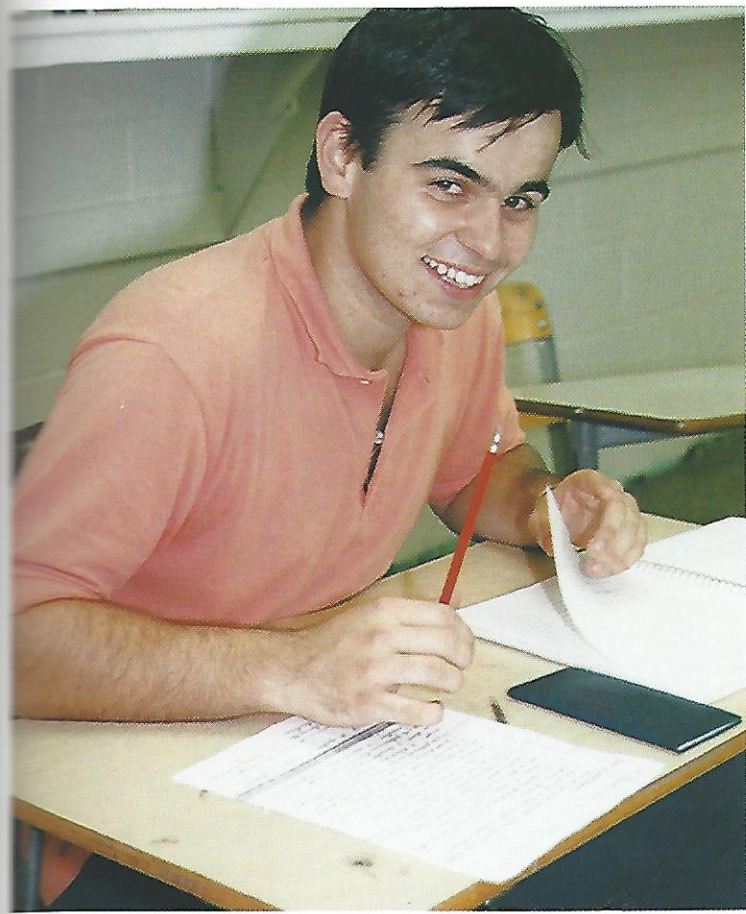
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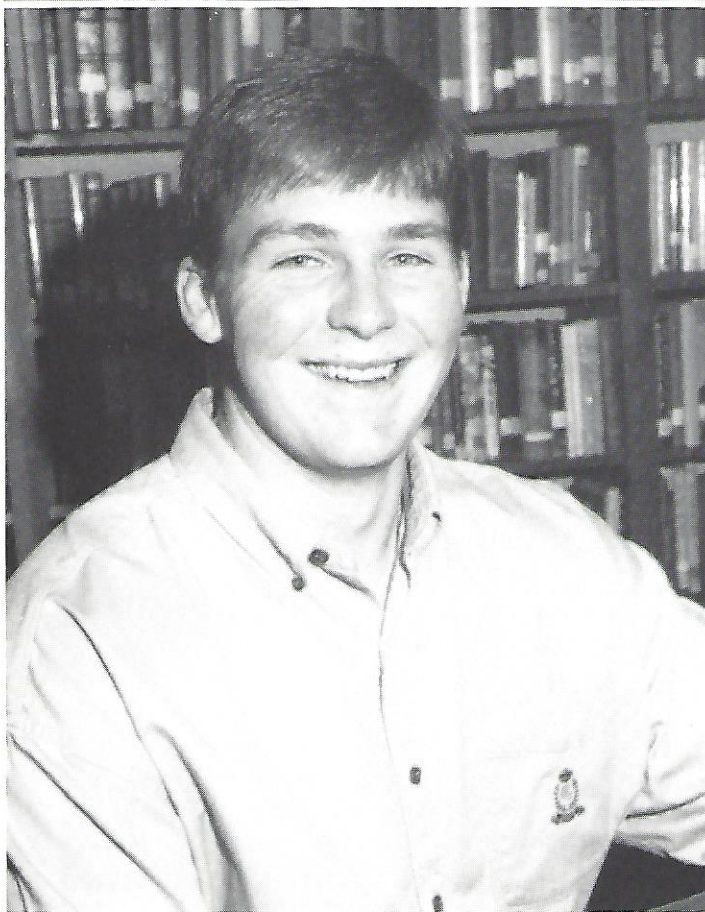


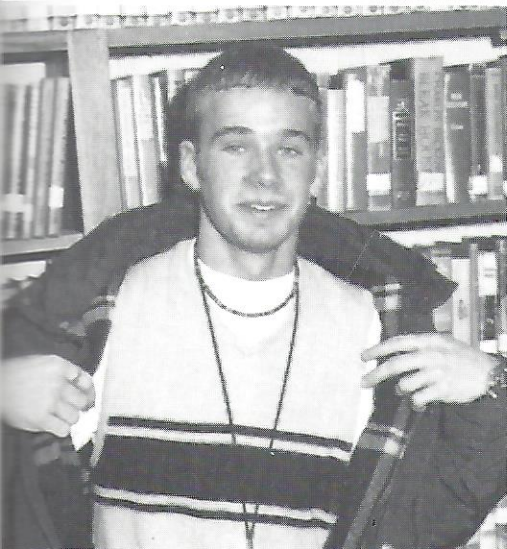
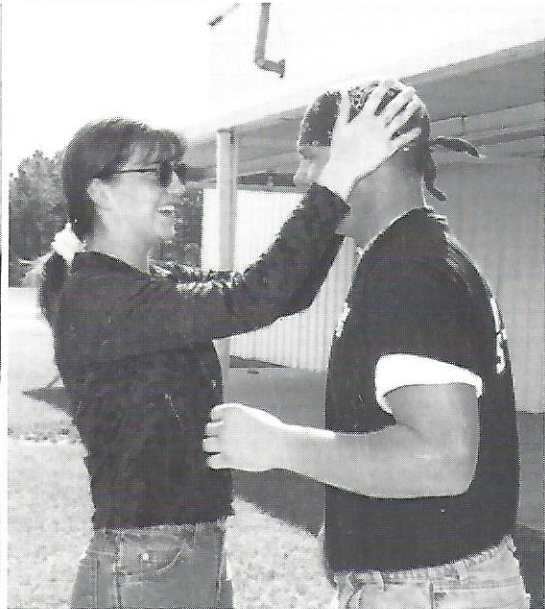
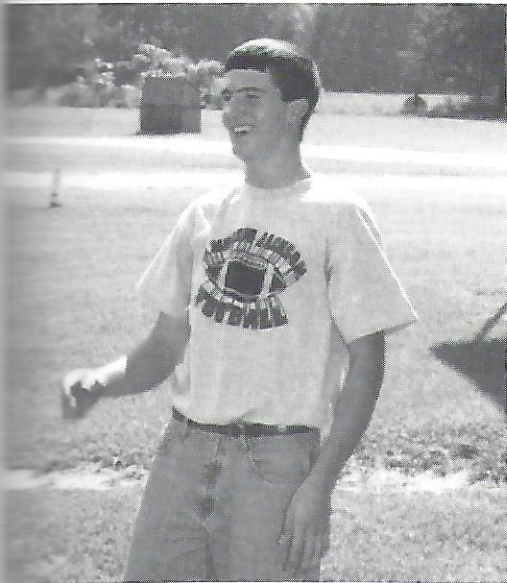
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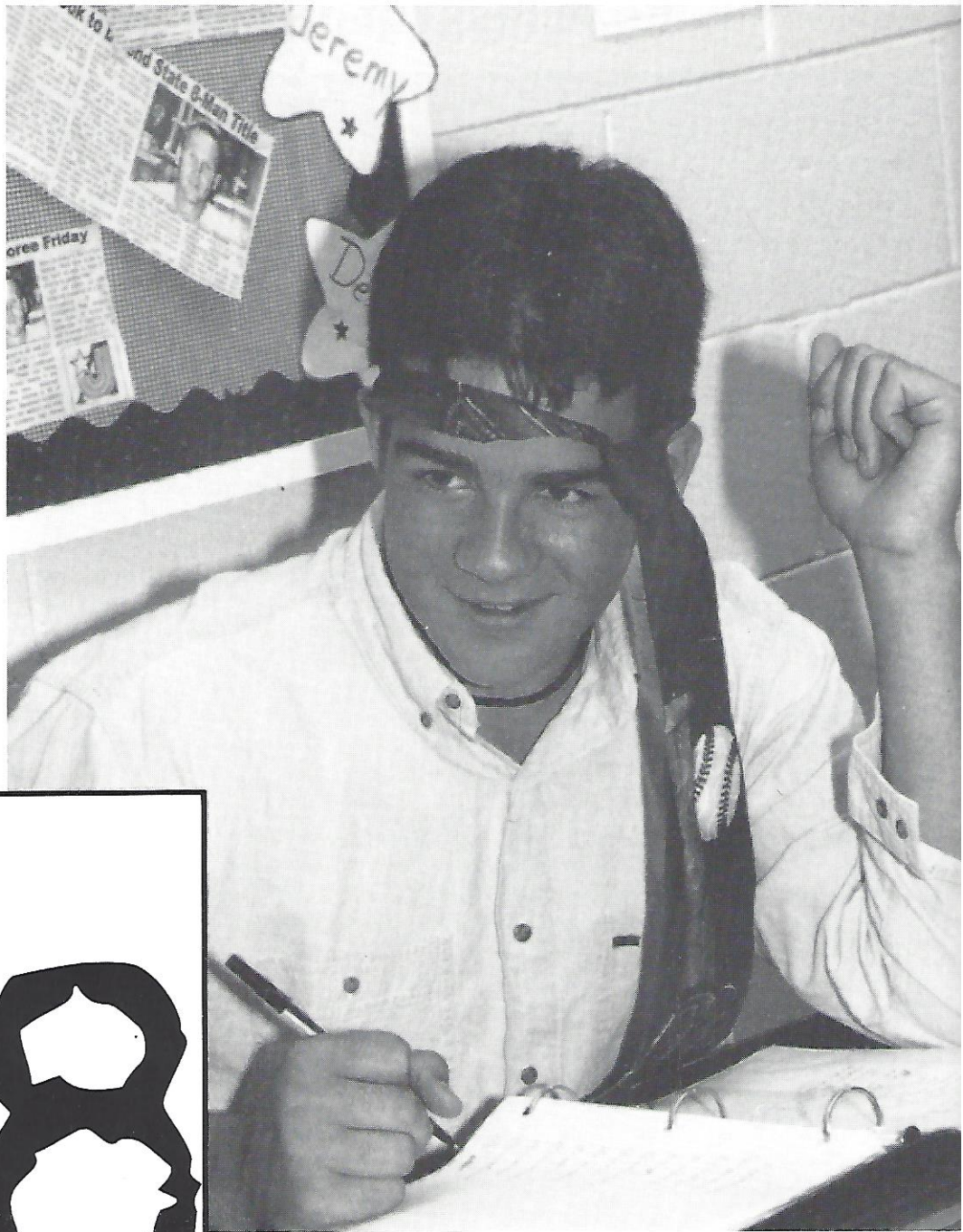


Junior-Senior Prom 1997

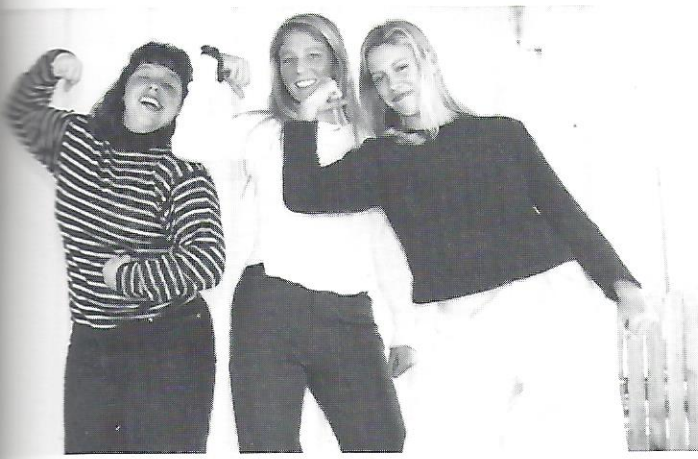


Class Of 1998





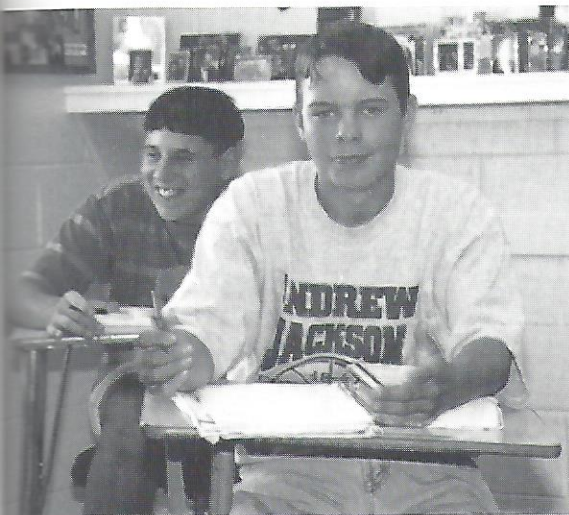
Undergraduates



Rock girls Denise Duncan, Kara Hiers and Ashley Ponds! We can take care of ourselves and you'd better watch out!



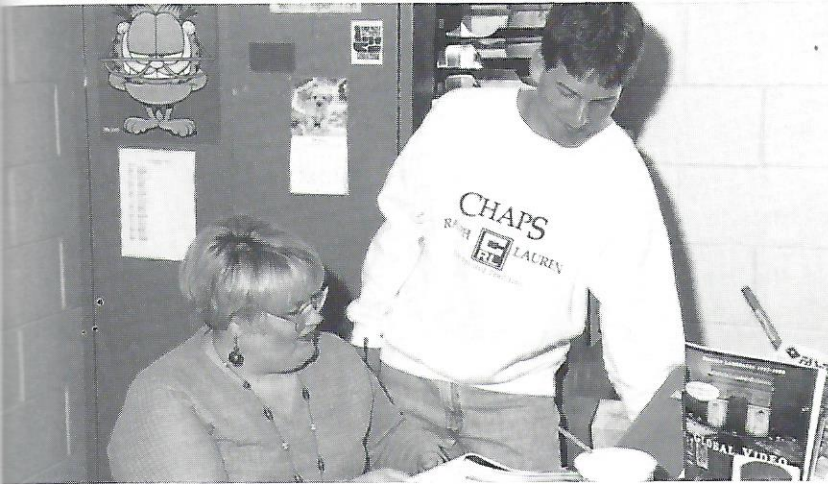
SC Wildlife instructor demonstrates the friendliness of a snake to some high school students.



Can you believe Chris Peters sat still long enough for a picture.



This group of students was making picture day a fun time as well. Being out of class is great!



English is hard enough, Mrs. Buffy. Can't I just skip this Spanish class?" asks John Paul Jones.



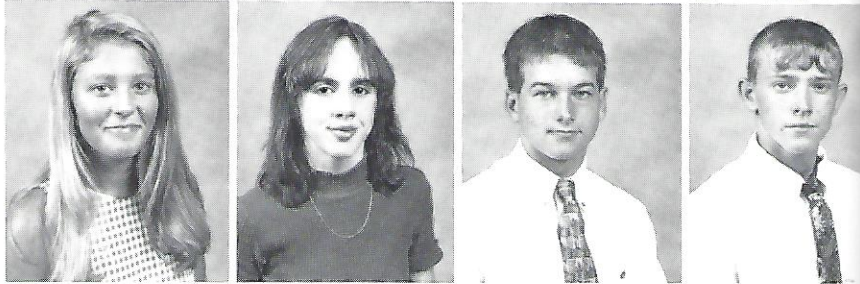
Chris Peters and Rebecca Beard don't seem to mind that fighting can mean suspension.

Next To The Top

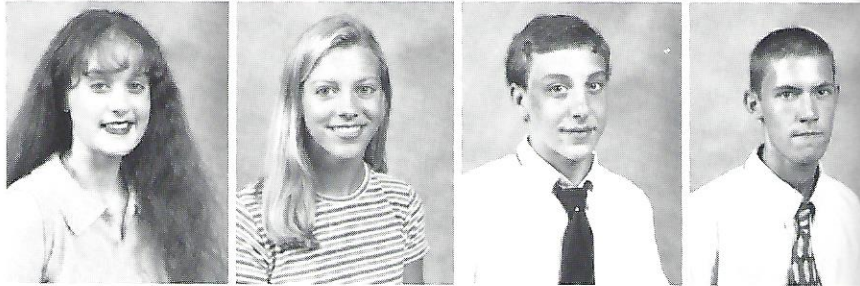
Daniel Bessinger
 Luke Clayton
 James Collier
 Adam Grubbs



Kara Hiers
 Franky Jones
 John Paul Jones
 Norman Kinard



Ashley Nettles
 Ashley Ponds
 Trevor Rentz
 Joshua Sanders



Heather Summers



Being next to the top makes it too much of a good thing.

As juniors it makes us in charge of getting everything ready for the prom. It's a little scary with all that responsibility but we know Mrs. Marsha will lead us to success.

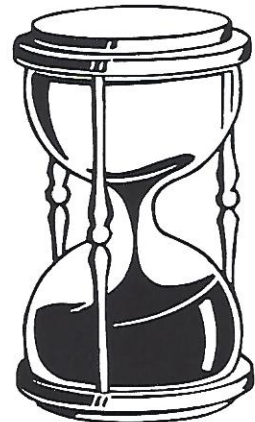
It was tough selling so much fruit but we knew we had to do it to have a good prom.

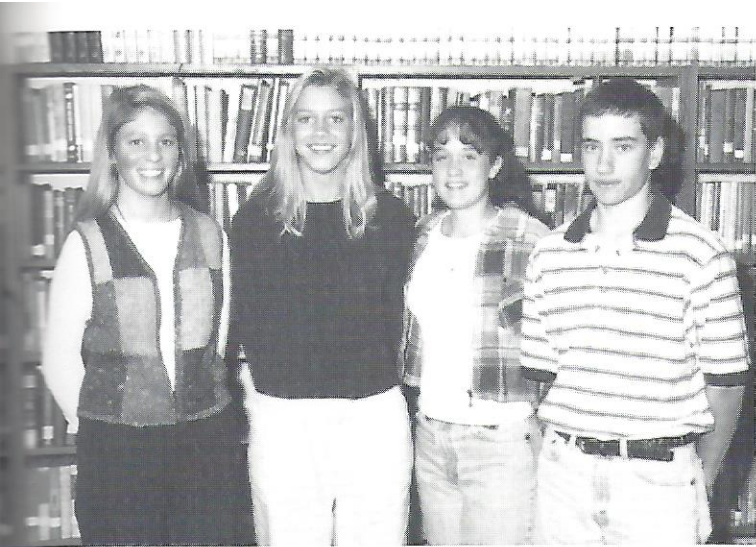
After school hours are spent hunting for the guys and hanging out with friends in Ehrhardt for the girls (another kind of hunting!).

The class ring means a lot to the juniors because it gives you something to show and be proud of for all your hard work in school.

All the juniors plan to go to college but are undecided where.

The juniors are all proud of being State Champions again!

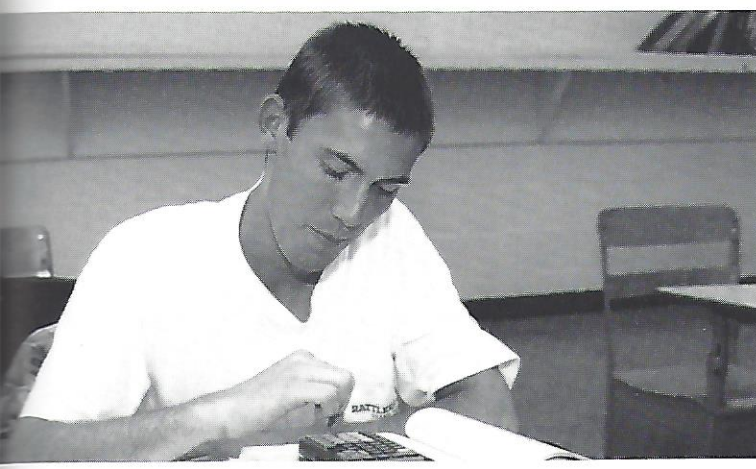




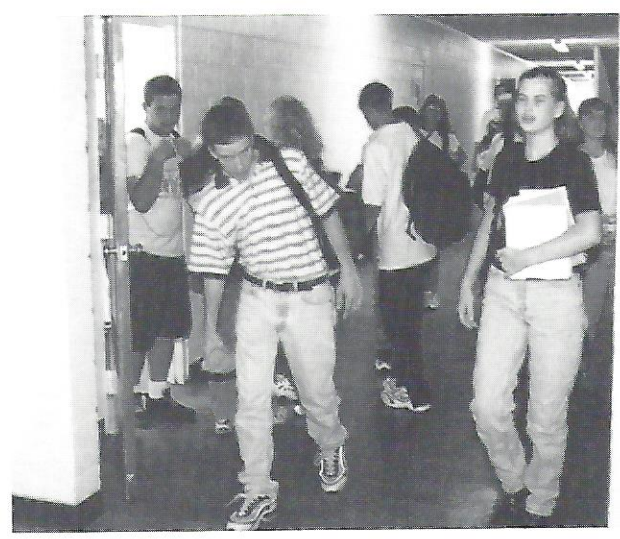
SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS: Kara Hiers, Secretary; Ashley Ponds, Vice President; Ashley Nettles, Treasurer; and Daniel Bessinger, President.



I like those curls, Norman. Keep your mind on your work.



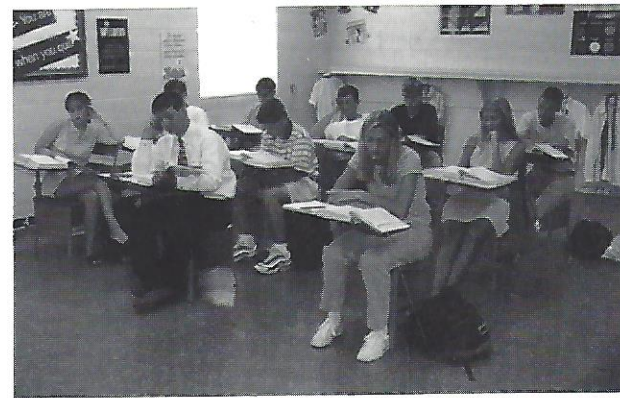
Josh Sanders puts his fingers to work along with his great mind!



The change of classes is a real fun time with those heavy books.



Kara Hiers is not sure this is something she really needs to know for her future.



A Slice Of Life

Nicole Crosby
Jimmy Farish
Kris Fogle
Chris Glenn



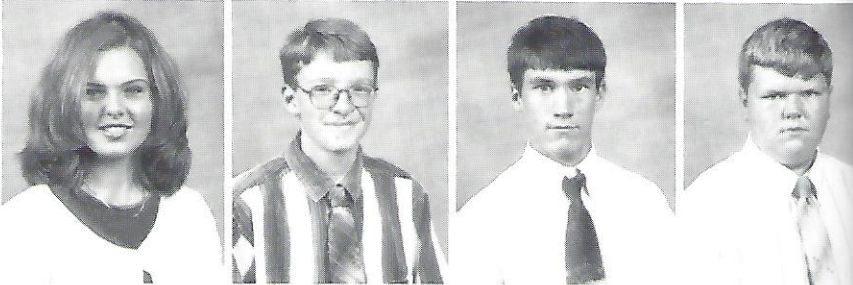
Nic Godley
Cory Hill
Perry Malphrus
Jessica Nipper



Chris Peters
Rebecca Priester
Jacob Smith
Jay Toole



Amanda Tuorto
Wesley Wade
Lee Waltz
Eddie Whisenhunt



The sophomore class all agreed that the best part of the school day was when it was over!

This class enjoys a slice of life now but are looking forward to next year and wearing class rings and being closer to graduation.

The boys aren't the only ones who enjoy having more girls this year. Jessica likes having other girls to have to put up with the rowdiness of her fellow classmates.

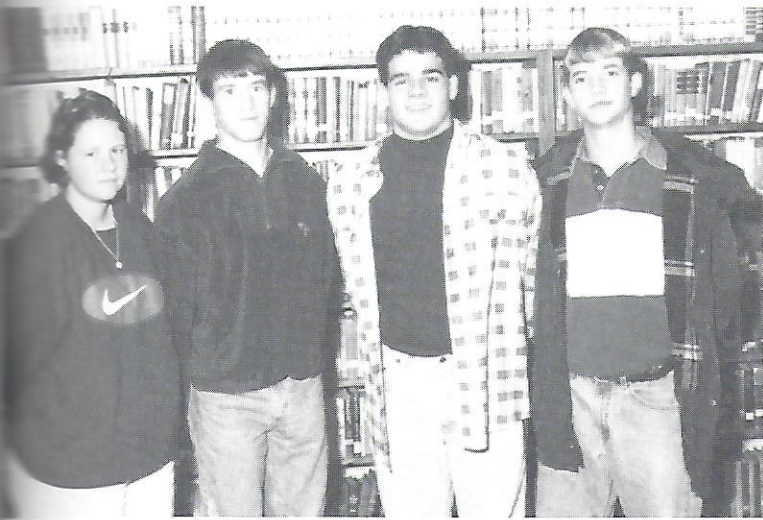
Football is the favorite sport of this class and they all enjoyed winning State Champs again.

The sophomores also enjoy hunting, working and playing sports.

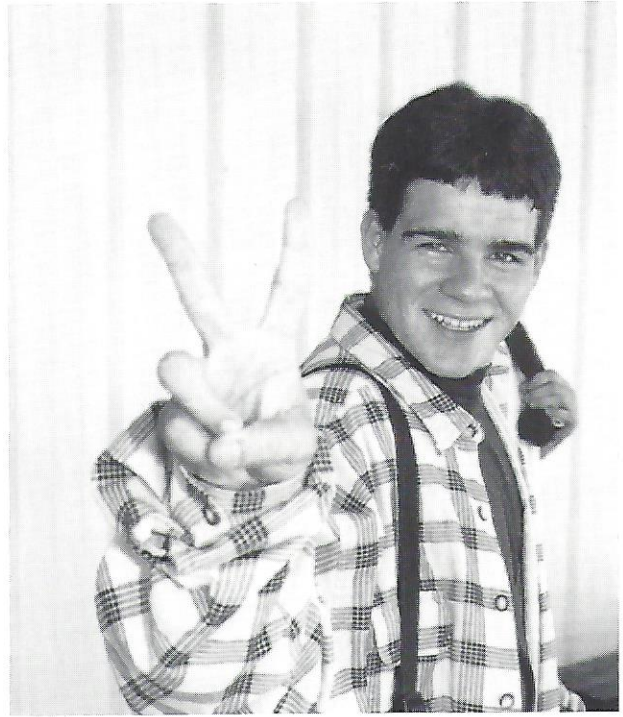
The majority plans to go to college. Wesley holds the record for missing the most days.

Eddie has the reputation for sleeping in class and never doing his homework.

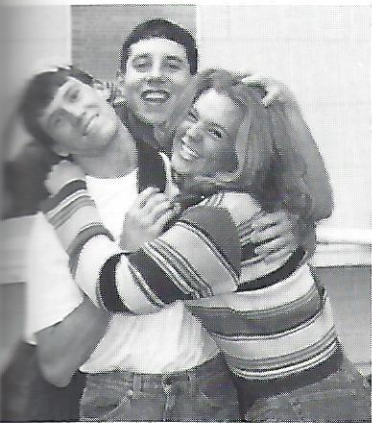
Jessica is known for always being at school.



SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS: Jessica Nipper, Treasurer; Lee Waltz, Vice President; Nic Godley, President; and Chris Glenn, Secretary.



Way to go, Pres. You've got three hands to work us to victory!



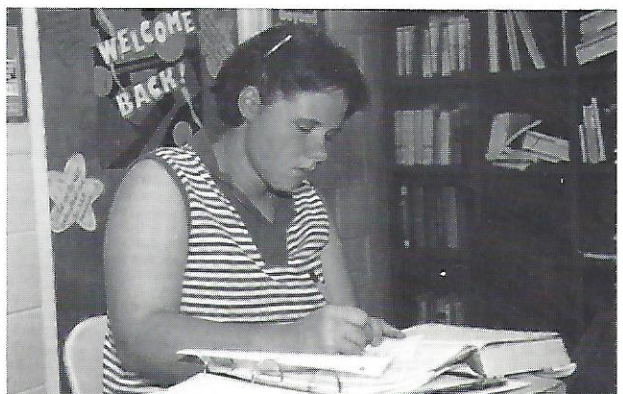
Lee, Perry and Amanda enjoy a hug (left) but Kris is too serious to notice.



Nicole wants to impress Mrs. Buffy with her knowledge of the keyboard.



Chris Glenn, left, and Jimmy Farish, right, show different expressions in the classroom. Jessica Nipper (far right) studies hard.

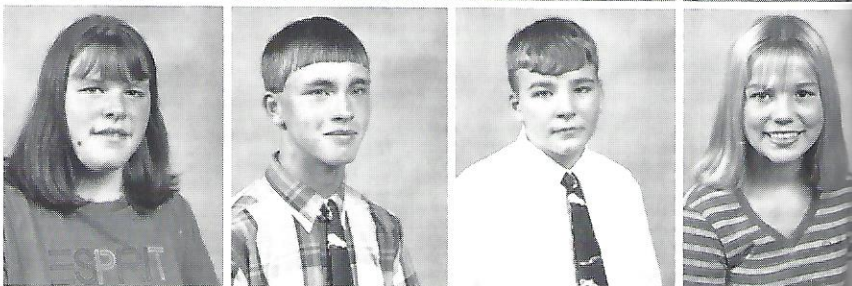


Caught In The Middle

Brad Bonnette
Roxanne Brandt
Kendall Carter
Lauren Cooler



Maria Duncan
Wayne Fender
Adam Harmon
Jodie Martin



Joe Martin
Dustin Sease
Melissa Steinmeyer
Lori Still



Being in the ninth grade feels like you are caught in the middle of grades 7-12!

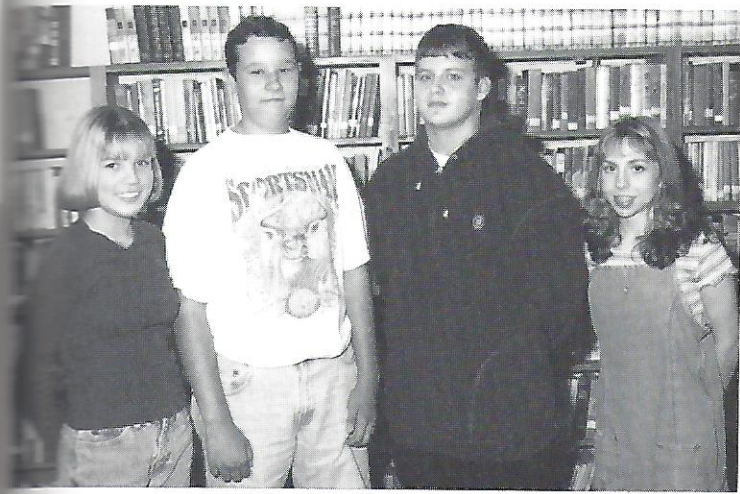
The favorite part of the day seems to be 3:05 ... you guessed it. It's time to go home.

Adam Harmon would win the title of class clown although he isn't really funny! Joe Martin seems to always be getting into trouble.

It means a great deal to the freshmen to be called Confederates. It means having the ability to be great in whatever you do in an every way. It would be hard to select the best Confederate; however, we are all true Confederates.

On the weekends, Lauren Cooler enjoys being with her boyfriend and Melissa Steinmeyer enjoys shopping.

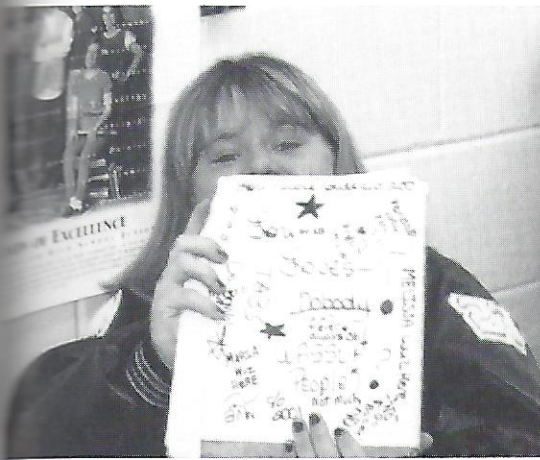




FRESHMEN CLASS OFFICERS: Jodie Martin, President; Dustin Sease, Treasurer; Joe Martin, Secretary; and Melissa Steinmeyer, Vice President.



PE class is great fun for Melissa Steinmeyer, Pam Still and Jodie Martin.



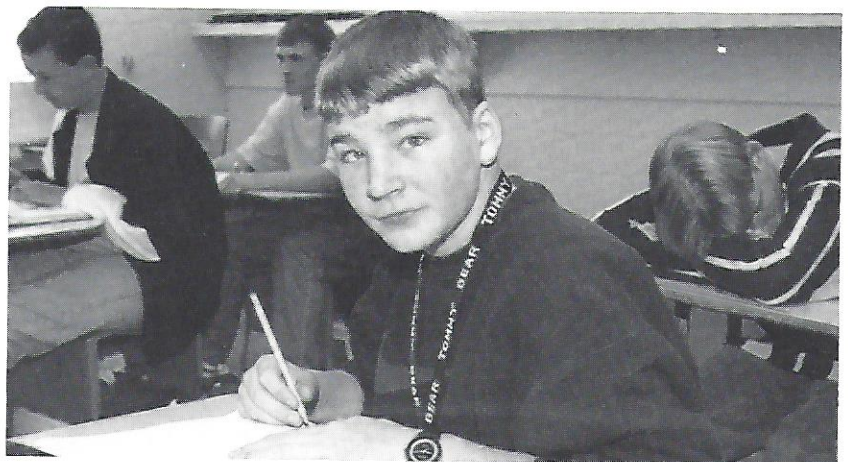
"It's not what's in a book that counts. It's what's on the cover," says Lori Still.



Priming is an important part of the day especially for the freshmen girls like Melissa Steinmeyer.



Catch the ball. Catch the ball. Maria Duncan demonstrates to PE class.



Adam Harmon tries to complete his work. Brad Bonnette finds it a little hard to stay awake!

Let's Face It

Brad Bailey
Brandy Farish
Russ Kinard

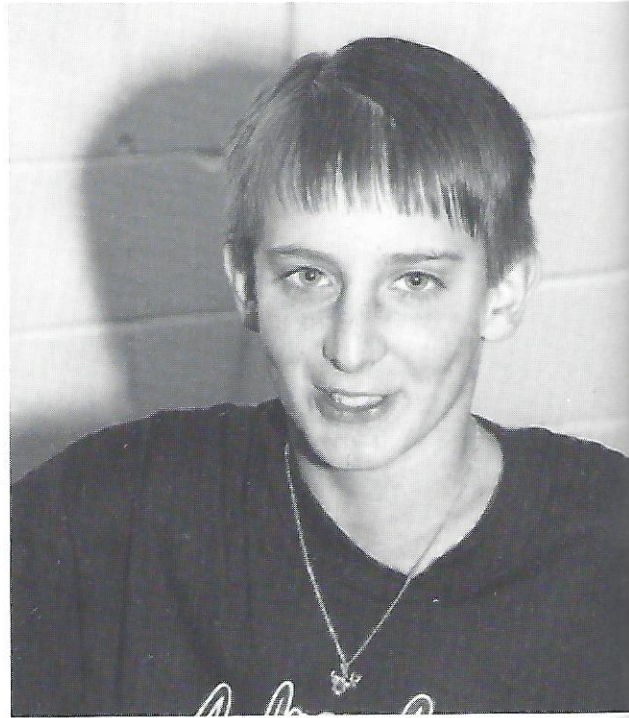


Let's face it. It's a little difficult sometimes when a class is so small there's only three!

It has its pros and cons. It gives you fewer people to argue with and compete with but less people to please and make happy, too.

Russ is the survivor of this class. Brandy and Brad joined him for the first time this year. The two students from last year that were his friends transferred to other schools.

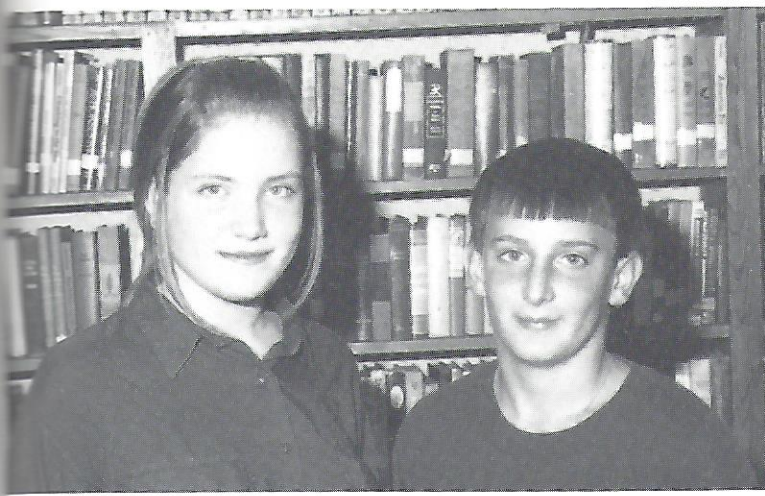
It will be the wish and challenge of this pre-freshman class to grow in great numbers so the academic and athletic excellence of AJA will continue.



Russ Kinard proudly shows off his new shirt featuring the back to back championships.



Brandy, Brad and Russ were joined for a couple by Candice.



EIGHTH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS: Brandy Farish, Secretary-Treasurer; Russ Ward, President. Absent: Brad Bailey, Vice President.



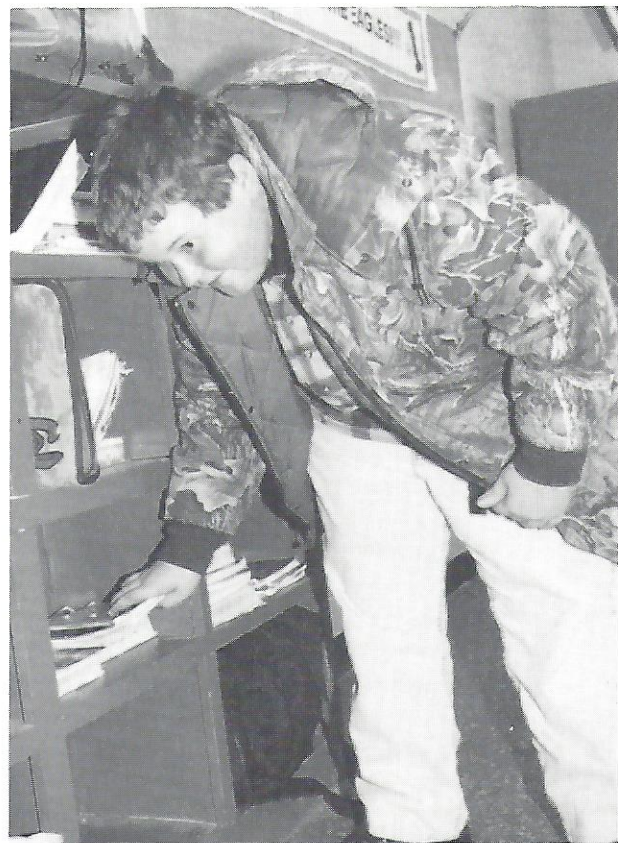
Is Mrs. Lenore demonstrating the "Buffalo Twist" on Russ? Think not!



A pleasant looking Brad Bailey is happy to be at Andrew Jackson.



Seventh, eighth and ninth graders enjoy a combined PE class. They think they're No. 1 but we think Mrs. Joette is No. 1!



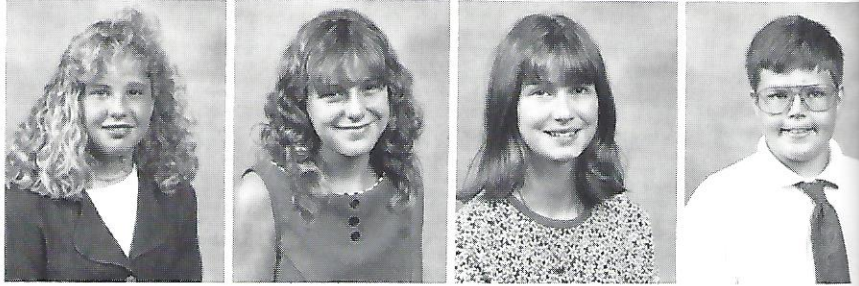
Brad Bailey shows the great effort it takes to get books out of the cubby holes in homeroom class.

Balancing Act

Shane Burnette
Teresa Campbell
B.L. Cooke
Natalie Gordon
Gordon Nipper



Kimberlee Rosier
Pam Still
Lori Varnadoe
David Whisenhunt

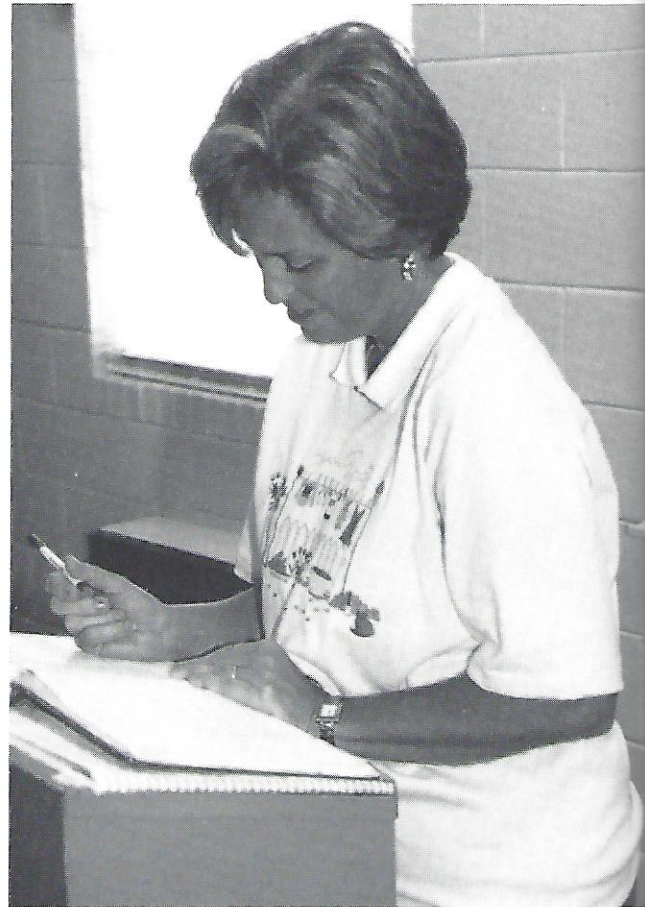


Mrs. Joette Hiers finds it a real balancing act to instruct seventh and eighth graders during the same class period. She can do it, though.

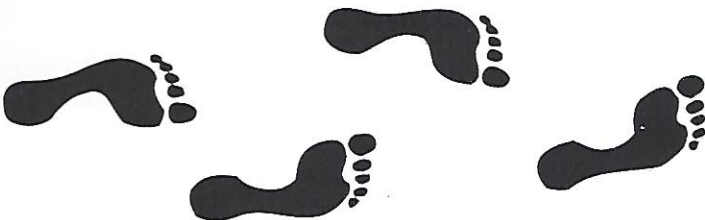
Teresa and Kimberlee joined this class for the first time and the other students made them feel very welcome.

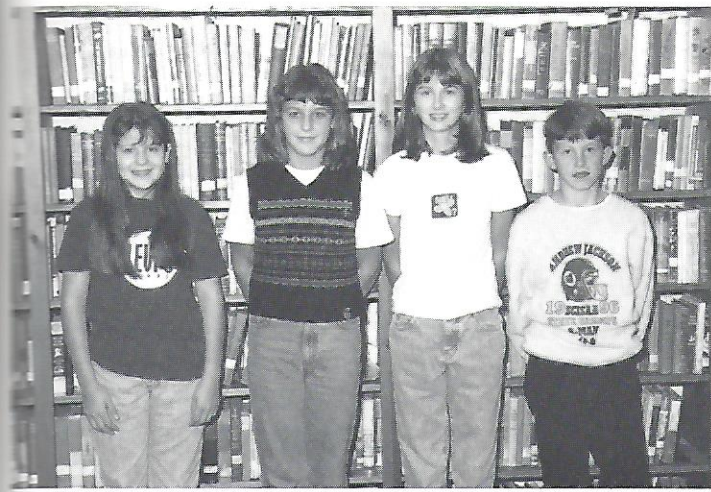
Shane, Gordon and David were members of the 8-man football team. Pam, Lori and Kimberlee are cheerleaders.

The balancing act will continue as the faculty tries to impress these students with the importance of academics, sports and a social life, too.



Mrs. Joette Hiers gives instructions to the seventh grade class no, the eighth grade ... no.





SEVENTH GRADE CLASS OFFICERS: Natalie Gordon, Treasurer; Pam Still, Secretary; Lori Varnadoe, President; and Shane Burnette, Vice President.



Teresa Campbell joined the seventh grade class this year and seems very happy at AJA.



Nothing says it like friends. These smiling faces belong to Natalie and Lori.



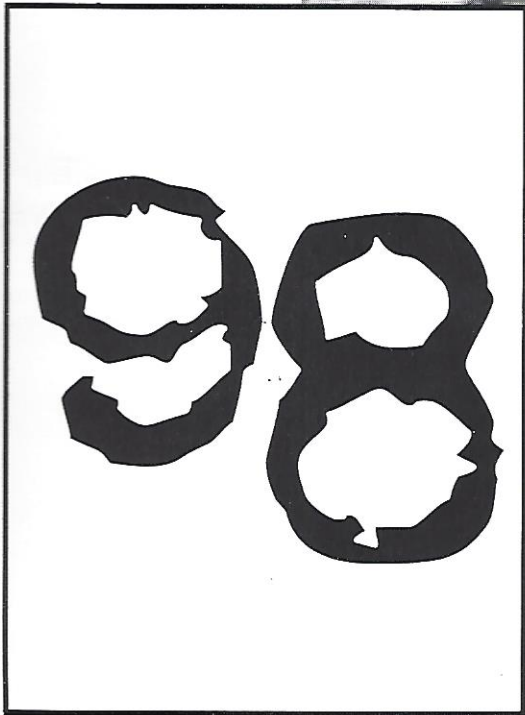
Kimberlee Rosier also is new to AJA but her classmates accept her well and she is one of the family.



The seventh grade class works diligently for Mrs. Joette in pre-algebra class.

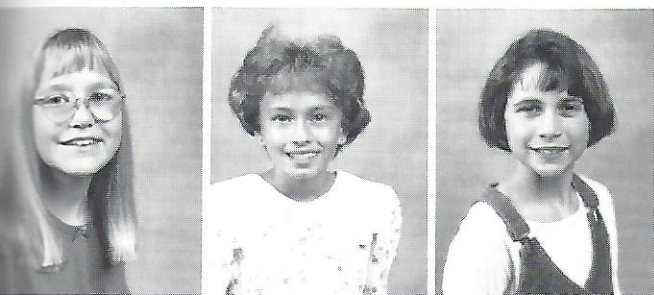


B.L. Cooke and Pam Still find it easier to do the work in seventh grade.

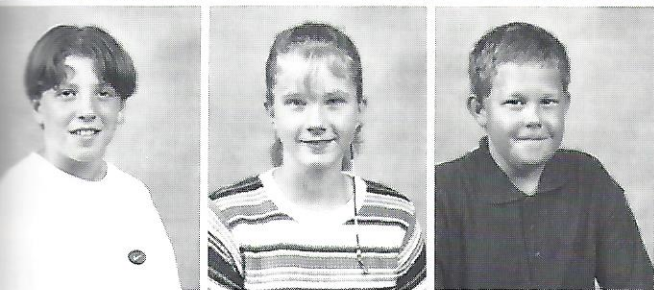


ELEMENTARY

Express Yourself



Amanda Bennett
Stacy Fender
Danielle Folk



Jerel Hawkins
Amber Hyatt
Gene Rosier

The sixth grade class is continually expressing themselves, trying to figure out just who they are.

Mrs. Genie Hiers has quite a challenge with this giggly, energetic class.

This was the fastest growing class as it tripled in size. Amanda, Stacy, Danielle and Gene are new students.

Cheering and playing basketball are the things they like best. Homework is the thing they complain about.

Maybe they will triple again in number as they enter the "high school end"!



Catch The Spirit

If anyone has spirit, it's this group of fifth graders.

Joshua, Matthew and Rhett assisted the football and celebrated the championship with them. Cassie and Ashley were AJA Little Cheerleaders.

Homework and taking home so many heavy books were the things they liked least.

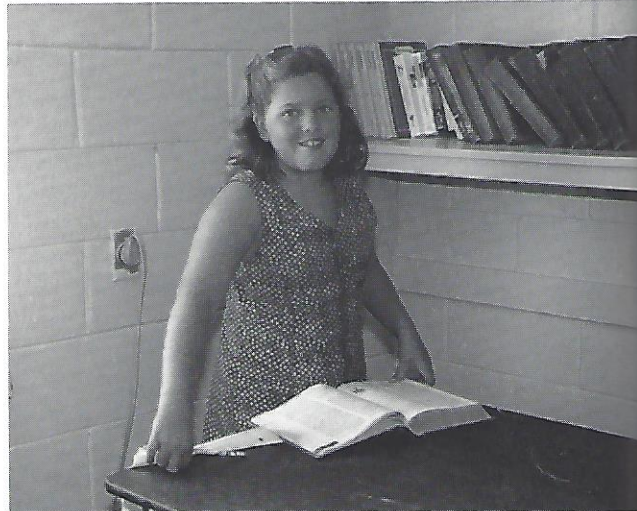
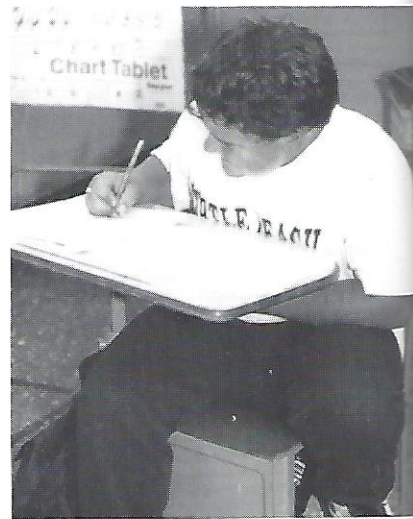
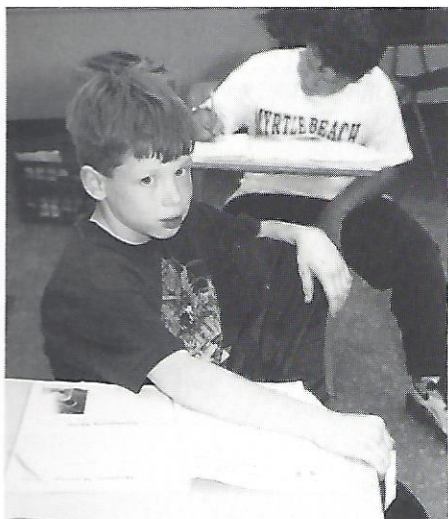
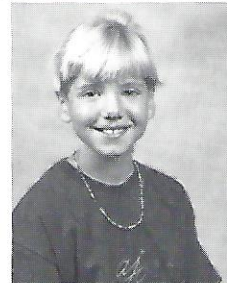
Being along with sixth graders made it more fun because you had more friends to play with at recess and PE.

It would be a real adventure to catch the spirit with these kids!

Joshua Grubbs
Matthew McDonald
Ashley Price



Cassie Walling
Rhett Willis



On Common Ground



Kristan Bledsoe
Shelby Crolley
Miranda Farman



The three pretty young ladies of fourth grade are on common ground. Well, maybe.

They all seem to like different things but have some common interests as well.

Shelby likes science because she enjoys the experiments. Kristan would rather be home riding her bike. Miranda is the little mother of the group and likes to keep everyone on track.

These girls enjoyed cheering for football games and hopes there will be lots of boys to join their class so they'll have someone to cheer for later.



Mind Over Matter



Jacob Clayton
Brittany Gross
Jeremy Jones



Faren Myers
Bradley Priester
Brandi Rentz



"Mind over matter. Just what does that mean? I don't care just so you don't mess with my ball playing," says Jacob Clayton.

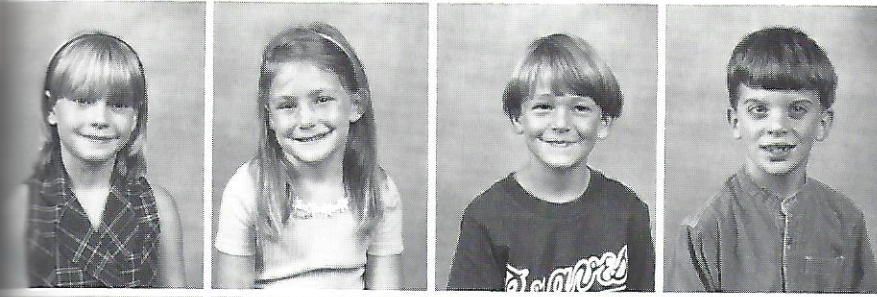
This class enjoys going to the beach in the summer.

The boys like to play football at recess but they prefer to play checkers inside.

Mrs. Horton finds it difficult but enjoyable to teach these energetic boys and girls.



Right On Target



Erica Bessinger
Ashley Bryant
Kyle Burnette
Bobby Crosby



Stephen Price
Billy Dean Priester
Danielle Priester
Brittany Rhyne



The second grade is right on target because they like to do the three r's. Reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic.

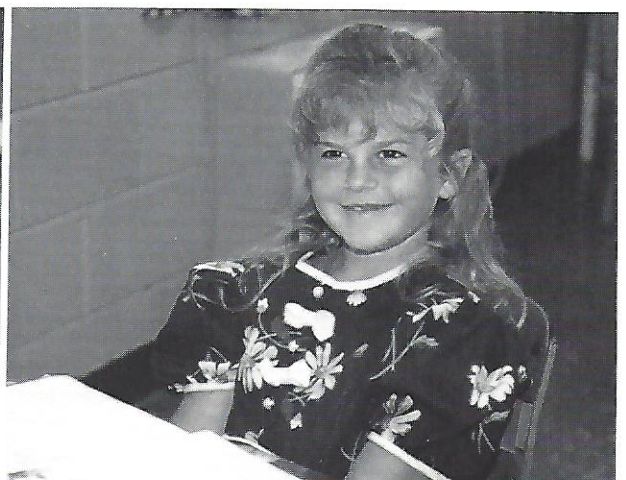
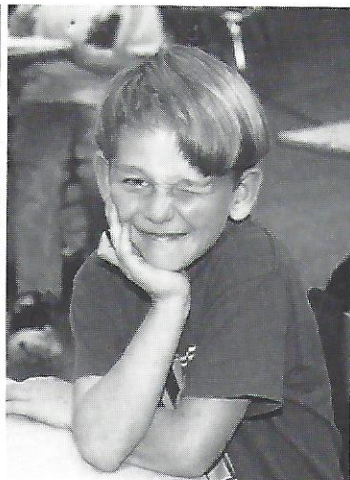
Brittany says she enjoys learning, Kyle likes math and Ashley enjoys reading.

Erica learns by listening but Bobby likes to be outside playing.

Stephen likes to play basketball when he isn't at school but B.J. prefers working with his dad on the farm.

The second grade is different from the first because there are more things to do, easier things to do, but study more.

Mrs. Christi is getting some valuable experience teaching this group!



Word Of Mouth

Zachary Barr
Ryan Fender
Jordan Hawkins
Davey Merritt



Ariel Rhyne
Wade Williamson
Garrett Wolfe



If you can ever get a word out of your mouth you're lucky. Surely that's what teacher Mrs. Lois Fulmer thinks.

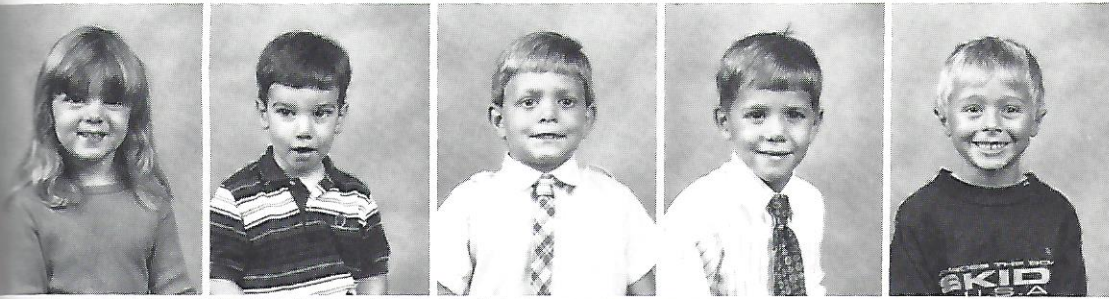
Ariel is the only girl in a group of very active boys. The class enjoys making things, writing stories, drawing pictures and playing at recess.

At recess Jordan likes to play cops and robbers. Garrett and Ryan enjoy the merry-go-round. Wade likes the slide.

All the students look forward to second grade but think the books will be bigger and they'll have lots more homework.



Starting At The Bottom



Jessica Bailey
Cody Brown
Bubba Bryant
Sam Clayton
Axton Crolley



Cody Farman
Ashley Freeman
Megan McFadden
Shannon Norris
Taylor Priester

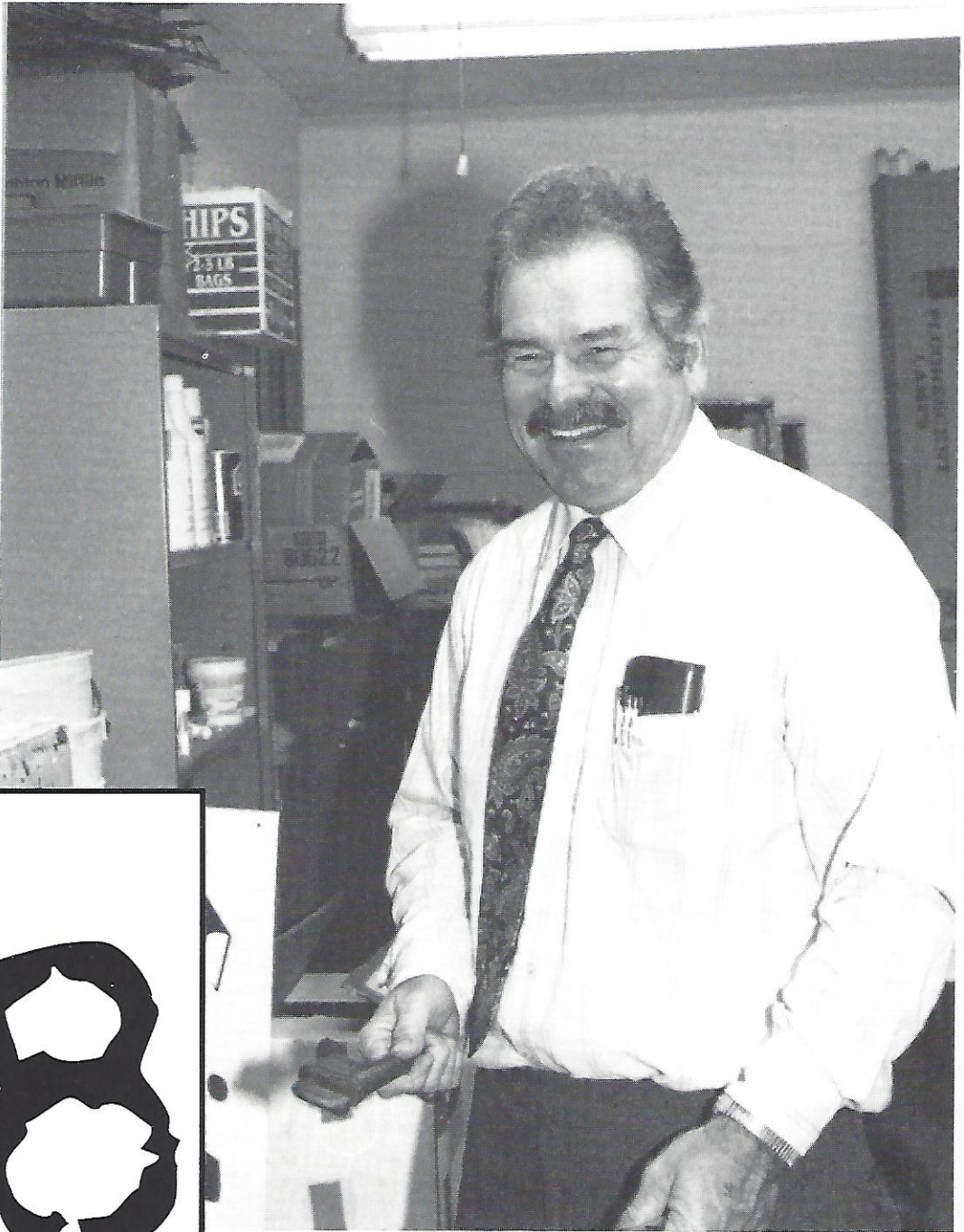
The kindergarten may be starting at the bottom but they will end up on top with a teacher like Mrs. Belinda Jones.

The four and five year olds are quite a bunch — something like the Brady Bunch — with all the different personalities.

They are very typical because they like to learn but also enjoy their recess and nap times as well. They learn their letters, numbers, rhymes and songs easily. Mrs. Belinda will be glad to let them perform for you. It makes her proud.

The five year olds are looking forward to first grade. Be ready, Mrs. Fulmer!





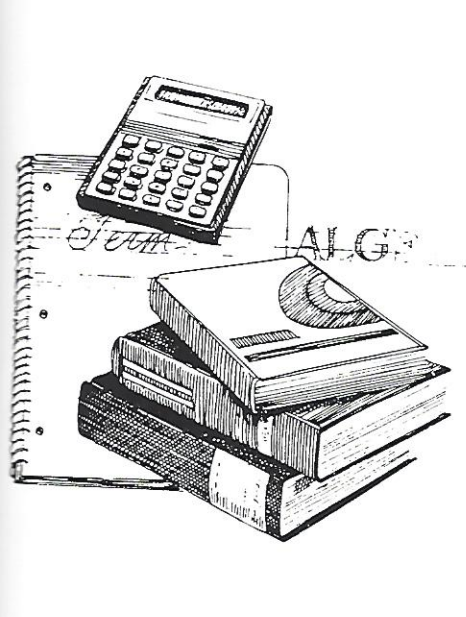
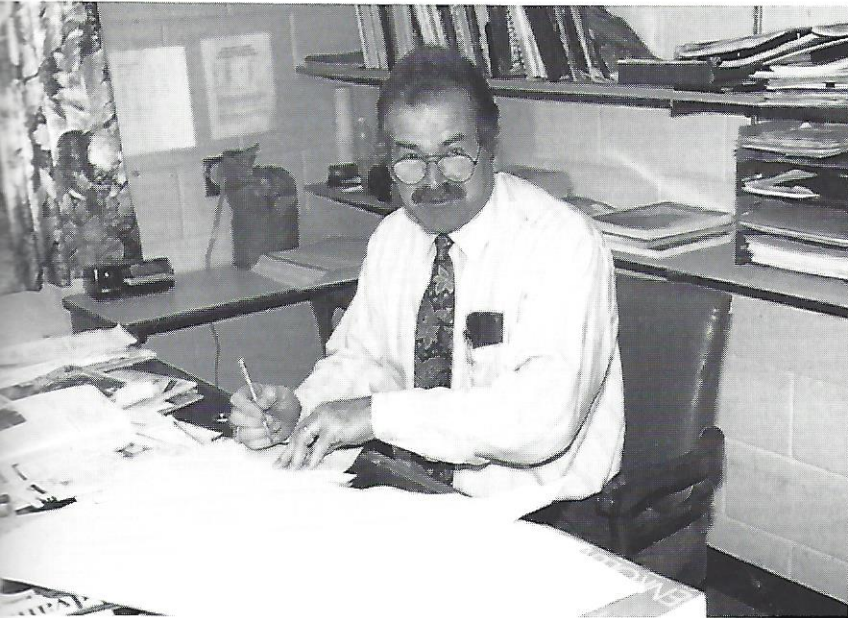
ADMINISTRATION

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It Happens At The Top



William Brannen, Headmaster
Lynne Grubbs, Office Aide/Canteen
Lenore Thompson, Administrative Assistant



Top Of The Line Faculty



**Belinda Jones
Lois Fulmer
Christie Grantham
Nira Horton**

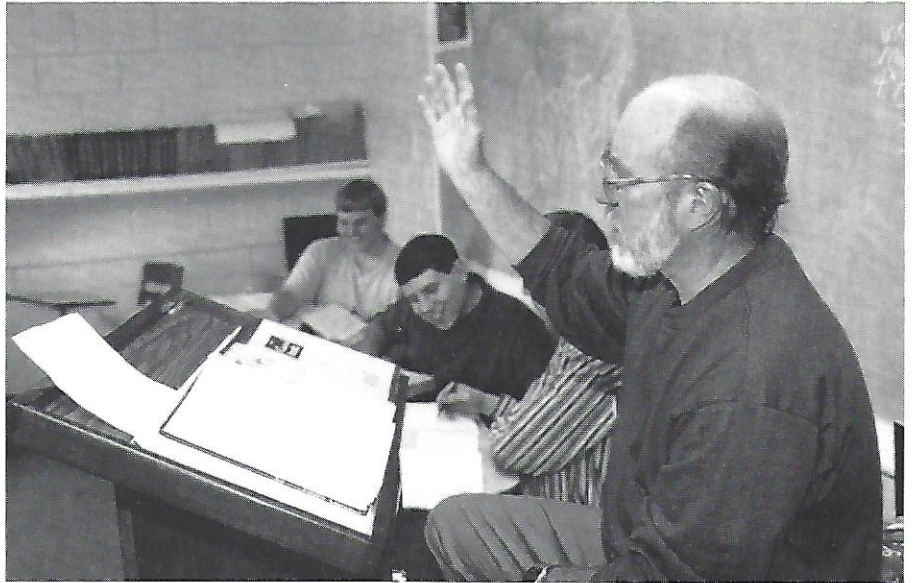


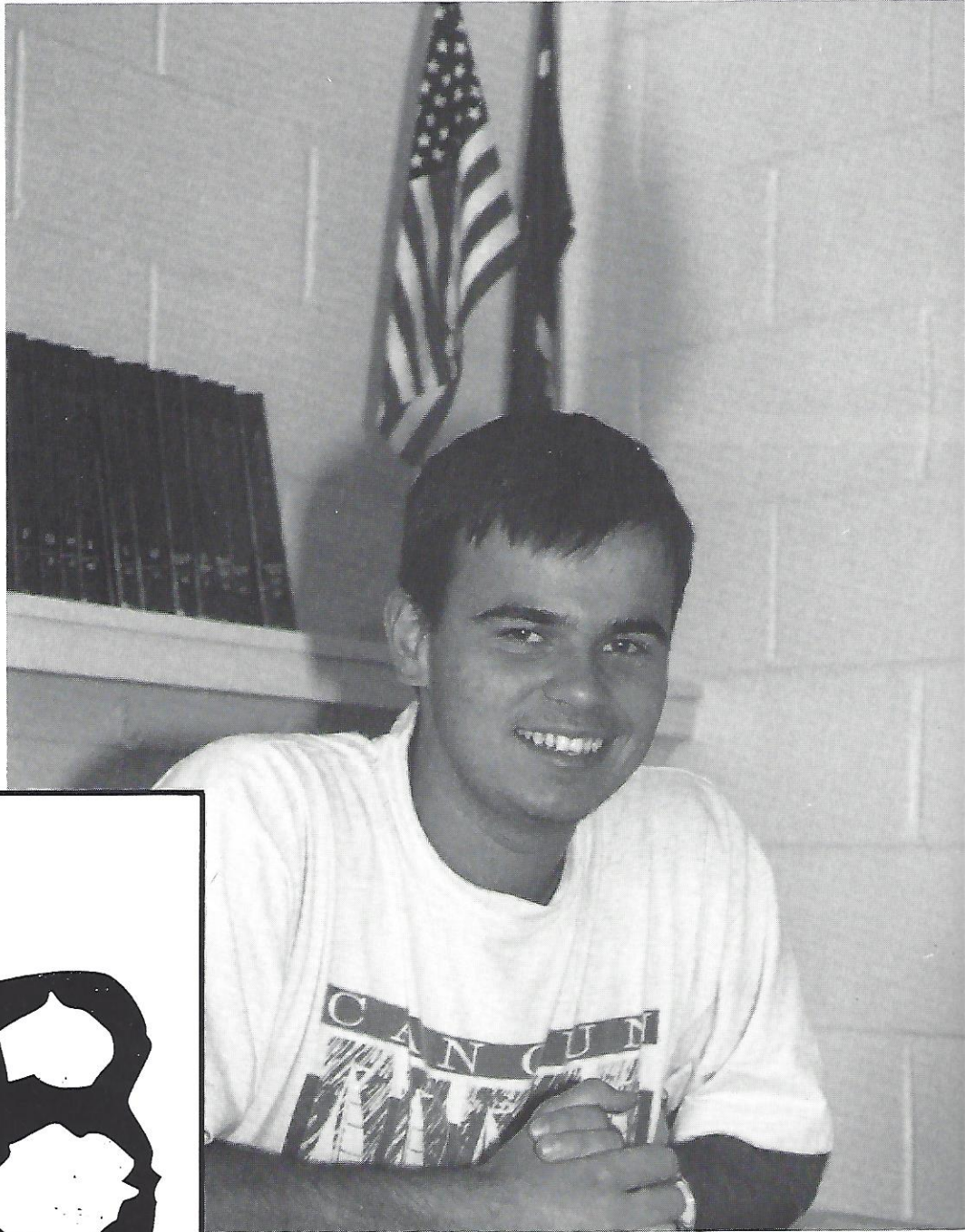
**Genie Hiers
Joette Hiers
Glenn Dupuis
Buffy Whitaker**



**Marsha Hughes
Paula Kirkland
Vonna Bennett**







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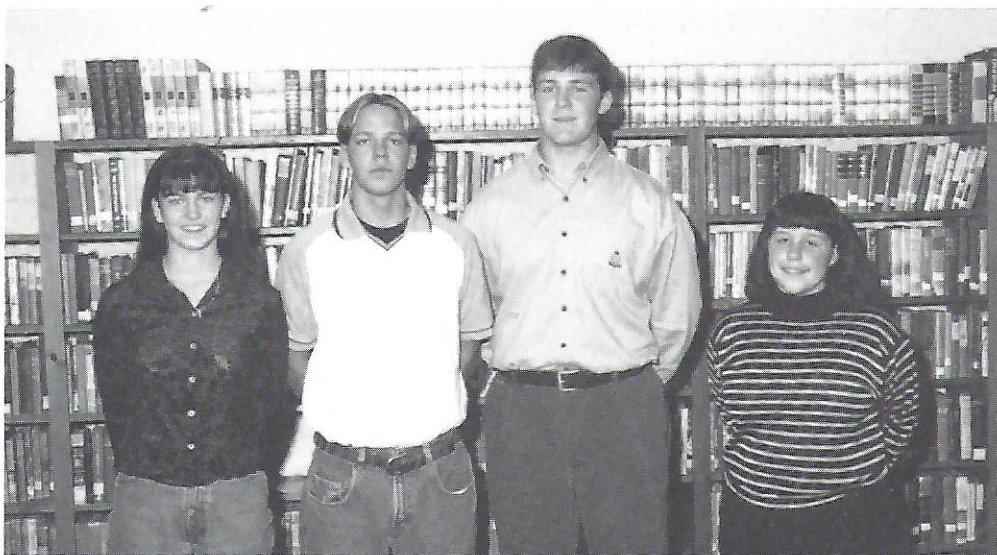
ACADEMICS

Top Of The Class

**Who's
Who**

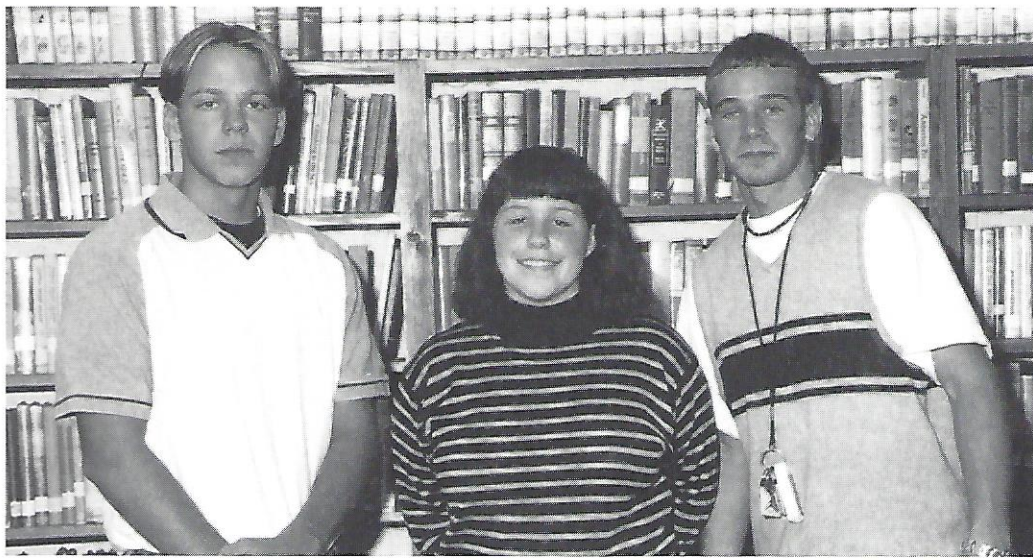


**Junior
Marshals**



**Leadership
Business
Week**





Boys' State

Girls' State

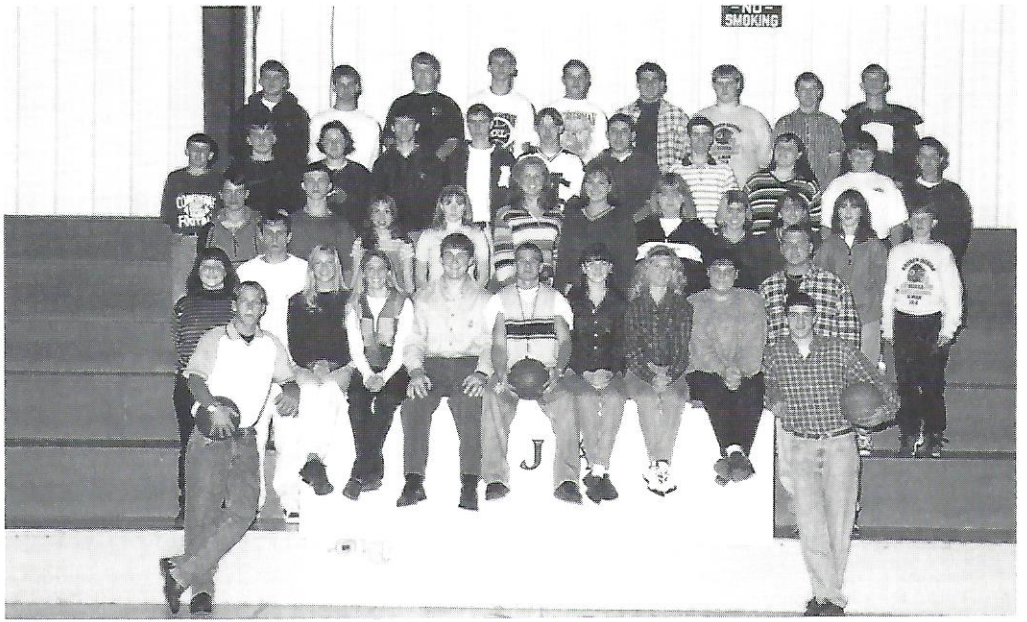
**Senior
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**Junior
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Striving For The Best

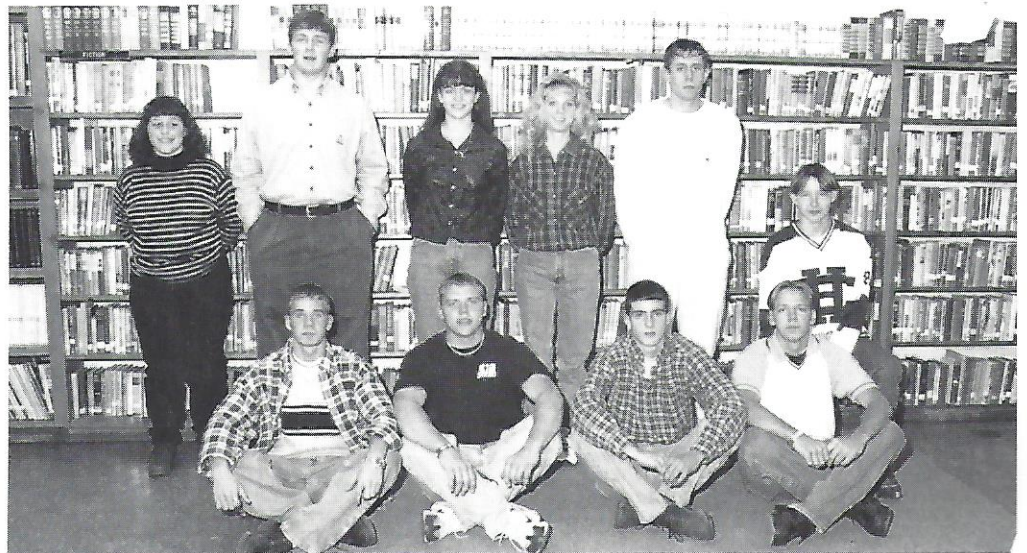
**Blockletter
Club**



**Spanish
Club**

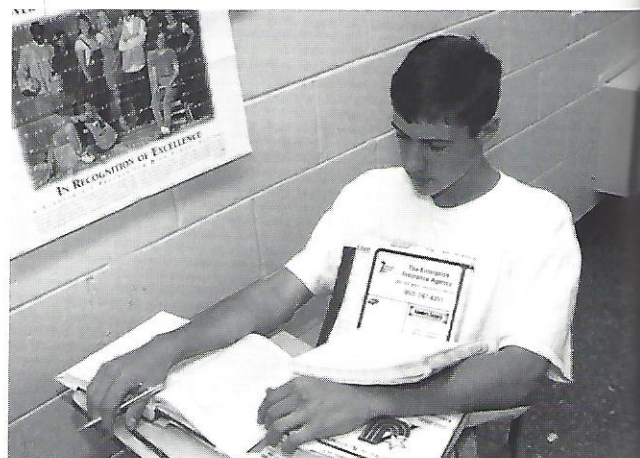
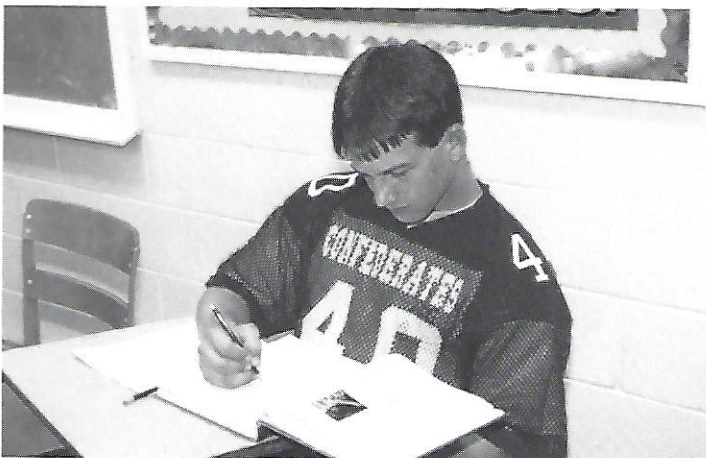


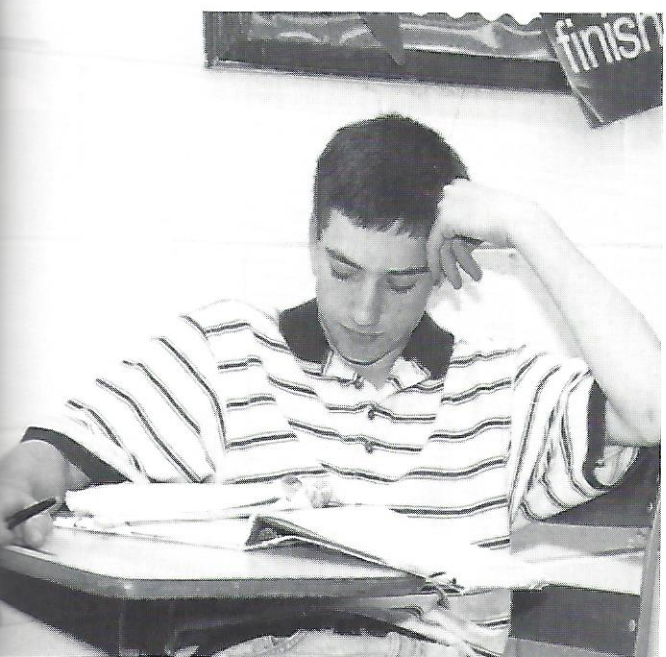
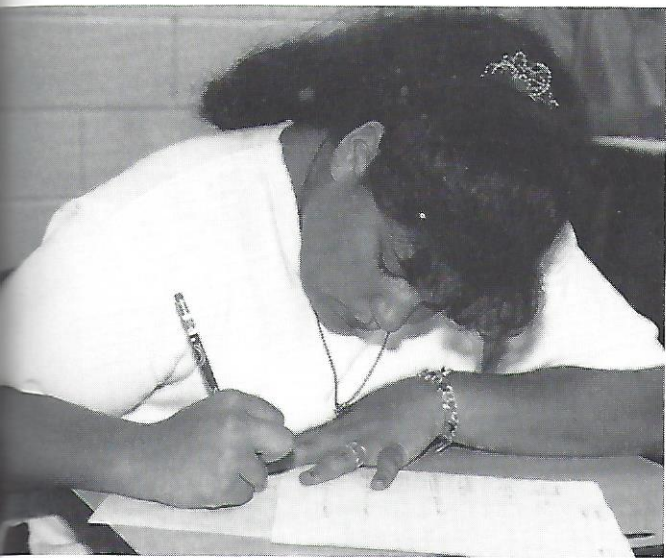
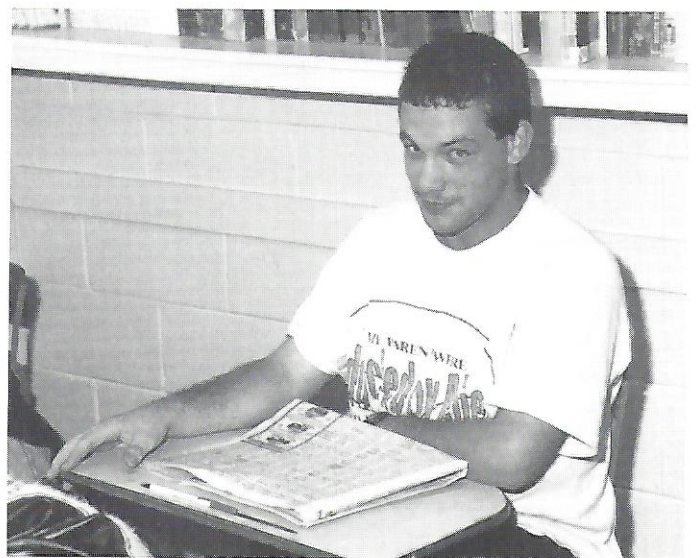
**French
Club**





Student Government





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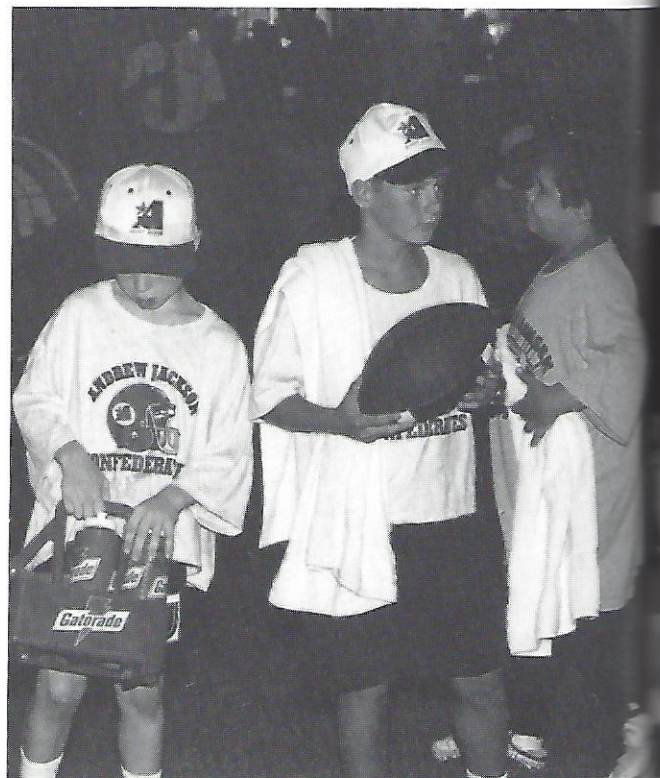
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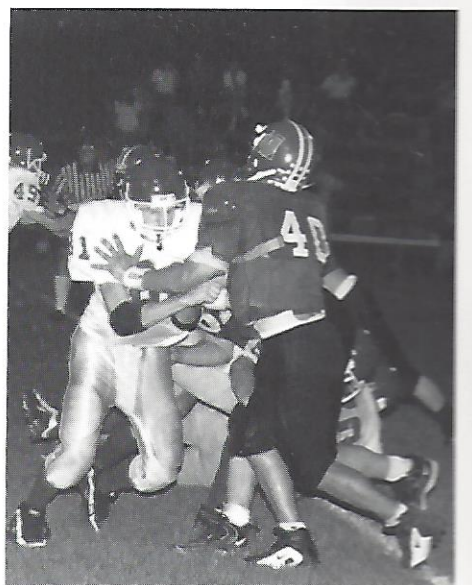
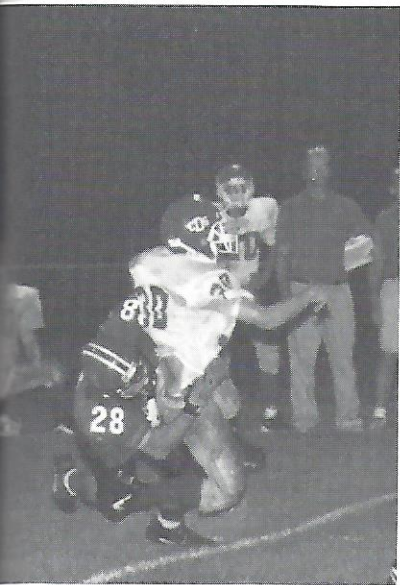
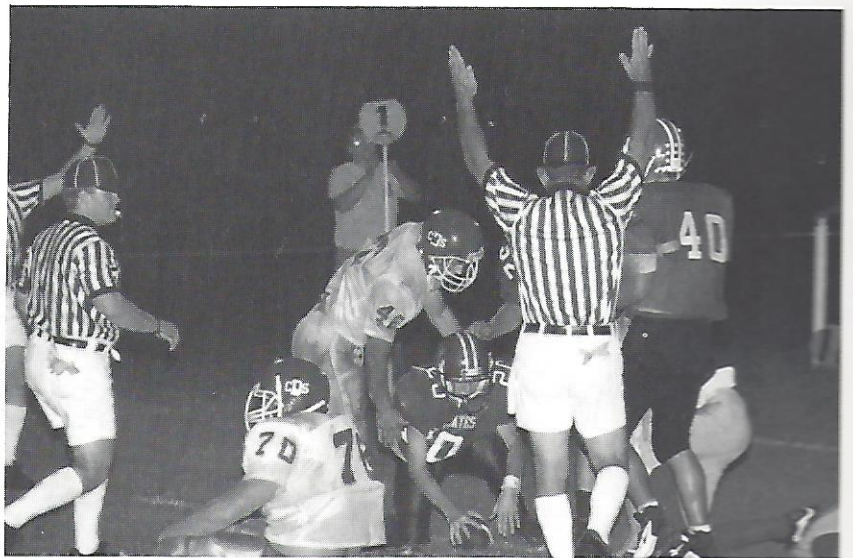
SPORTS

8-Man Football Champions



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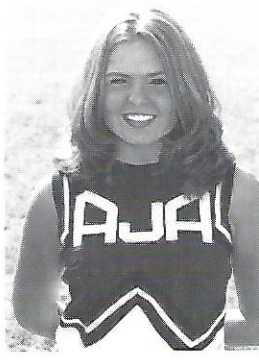
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Tracey Jones



Rebecca Priester



Amanda Tuorto



Lori Still



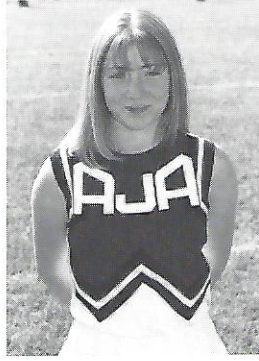
Melissa Steinmeyer



Maria Duncan



Roxanne Brandt



Lauren Cooler



Jodie Martin



Kendall Carter



Mrs. Barbara Martin
Sponsor



JV And Midget Cheerleaders



Kimberlee Rosier



Pam Still



Lori Varnadoe



Amber Hyatt



Stacy Fender



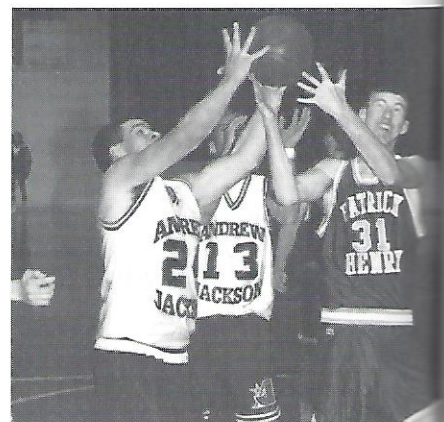
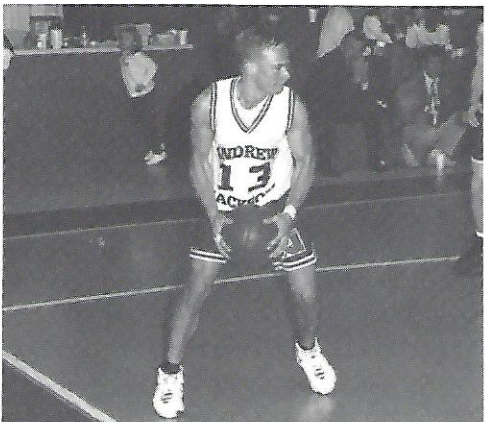
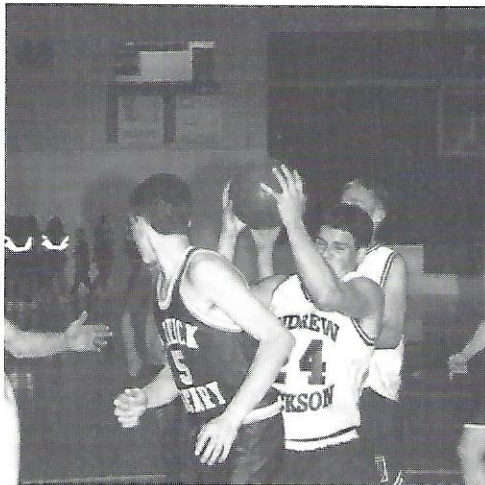
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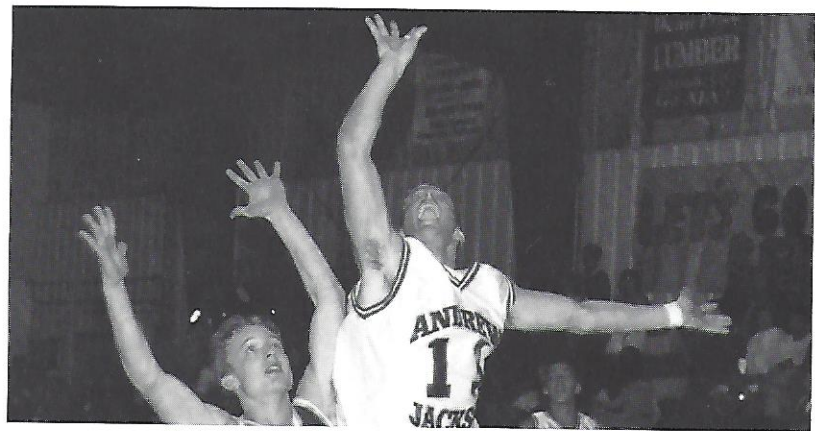
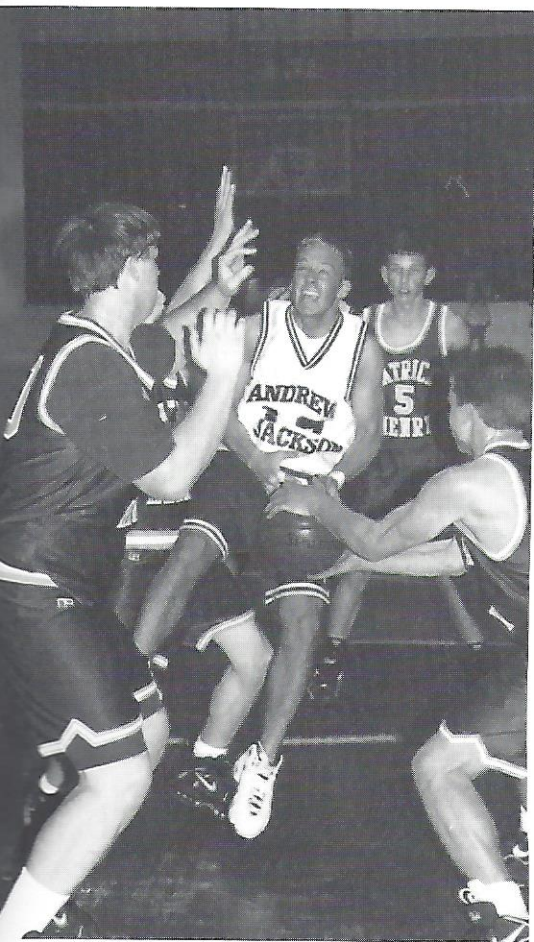
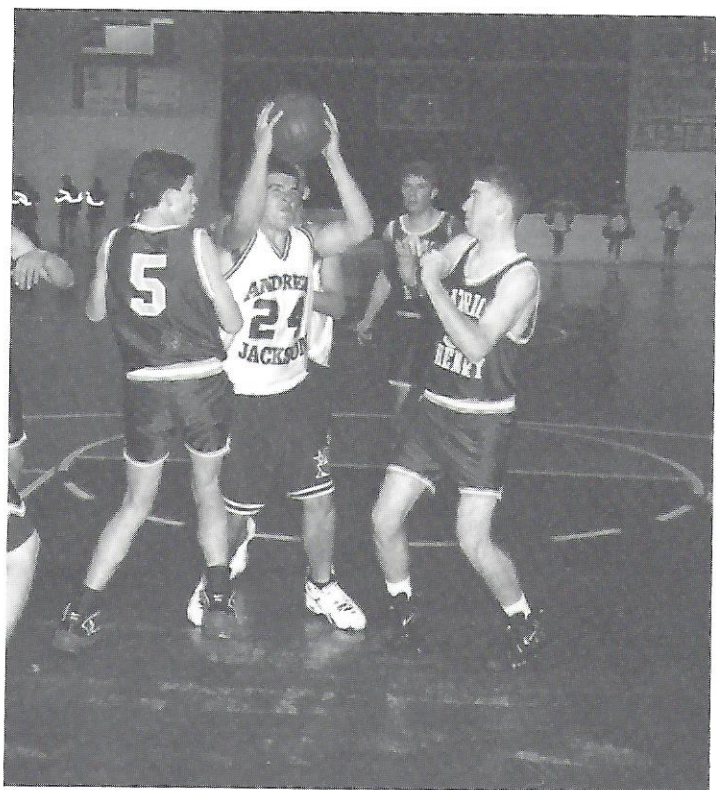
Varsity Boys Basketball



Robert Guimares, Scott Carter, Ben Williams, Nic Godley, Daniel Bessinger. Coach Gene Sease, Josh Barnes, Luke Clayton, Kyle Hiers, Coach Brian Polk.

**Go
Big
Red**





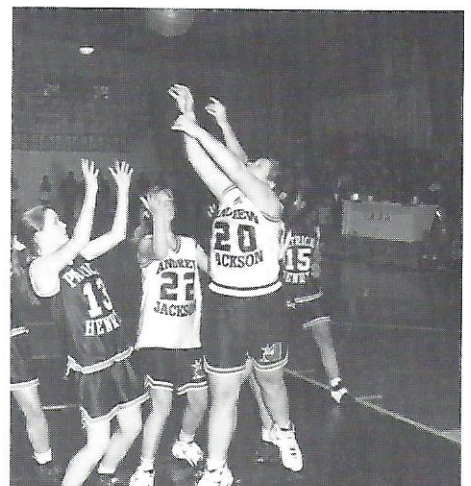
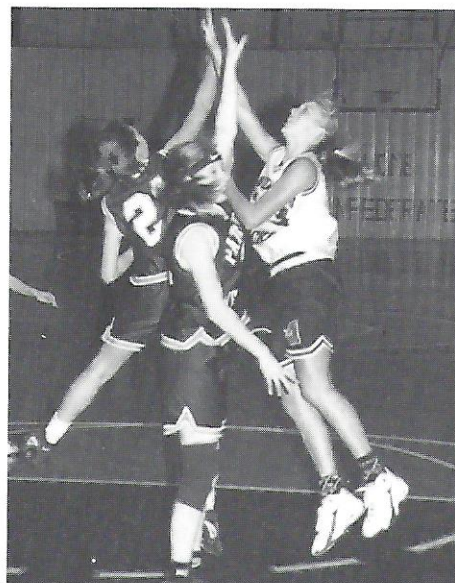
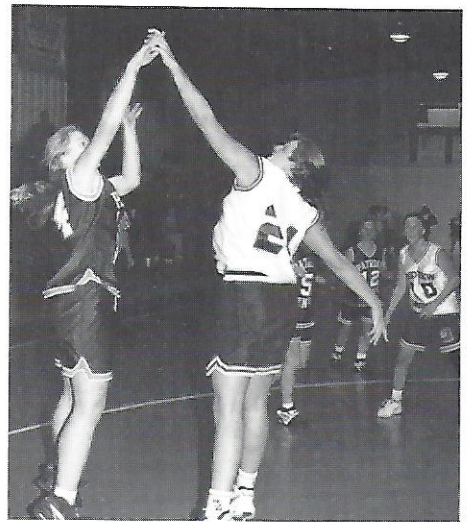
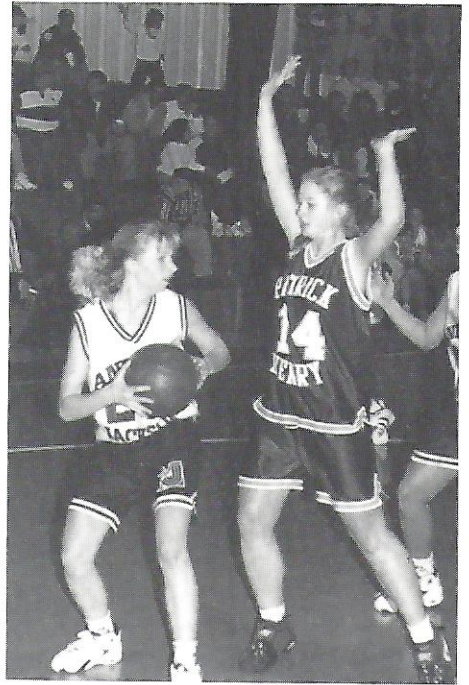
Varsity Girls Basketball



Denise Duncan, Jessica Nipper, Tracey Jones, Franky Jones, Rebecca Beard, Kami Hiers, Ashley Ponds, Coach William Hiers, Roxanne Brandt, Lori Still, Rebecca Priestner

**Lady
Confederates
Are Hot!**





JV Boys Basketball

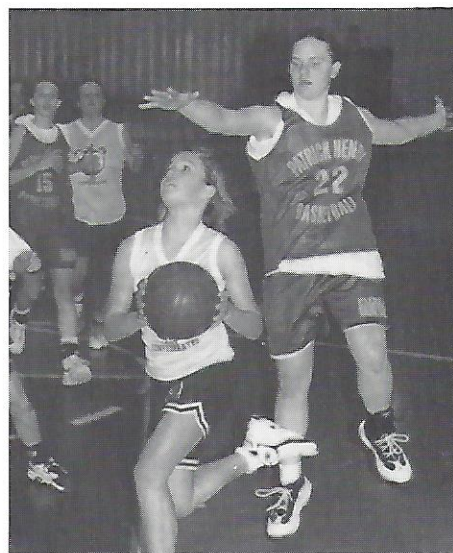
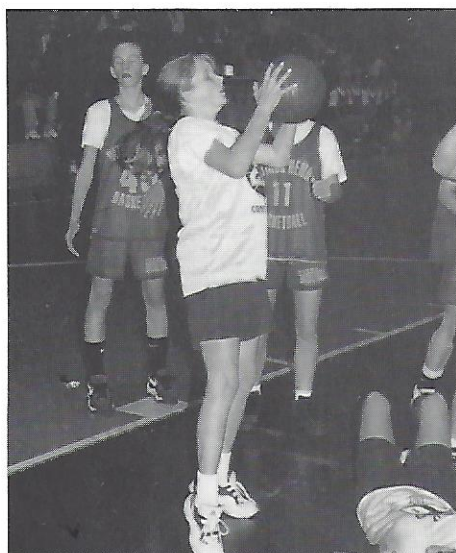
Gene Rosier, Chris Peters, Russ Kinard, David Whisenhunt, Gordon Nipper, Jerel Hawkins. Coach Philip Schurr, Brad Bonnette, Wayne Fender, Jay Toole, Eddie Whisenhunt, Joe Martin, Lee Waltz, Coach Gene Sease.



JV Girls Basketball



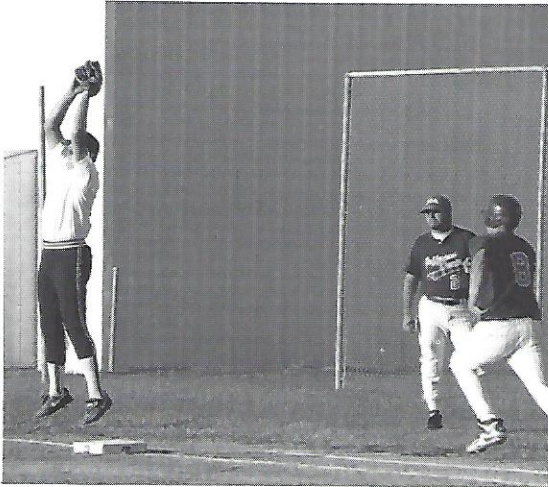
JV Girls are learning how to play the game with coach Joette Hiers. It's been a tough season with no other JV Girls teams in the conference. The team gave it their best and look forward to next year.

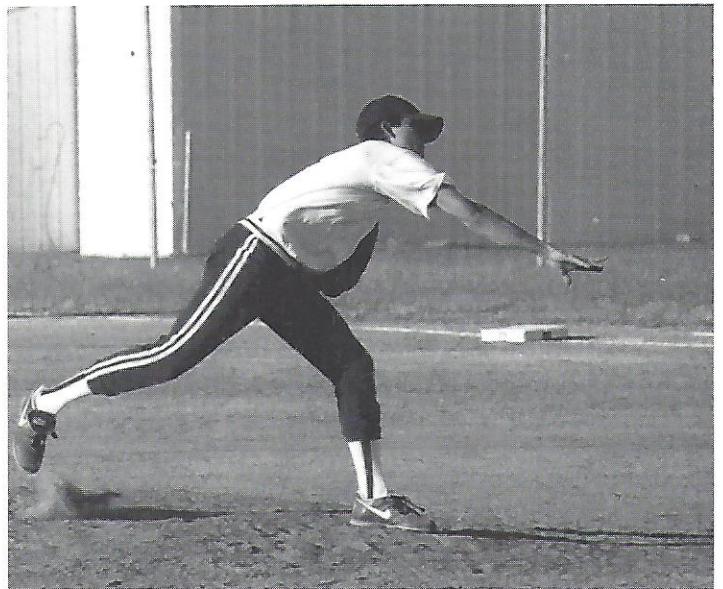
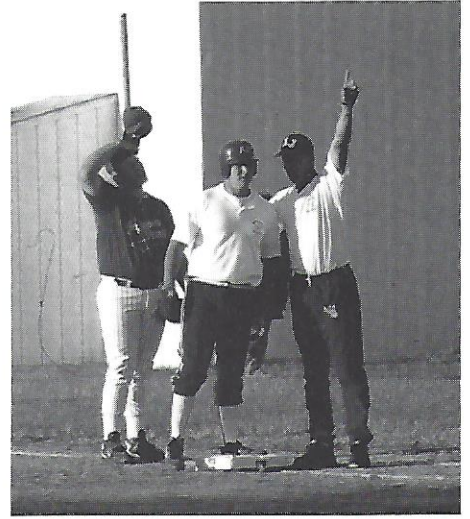
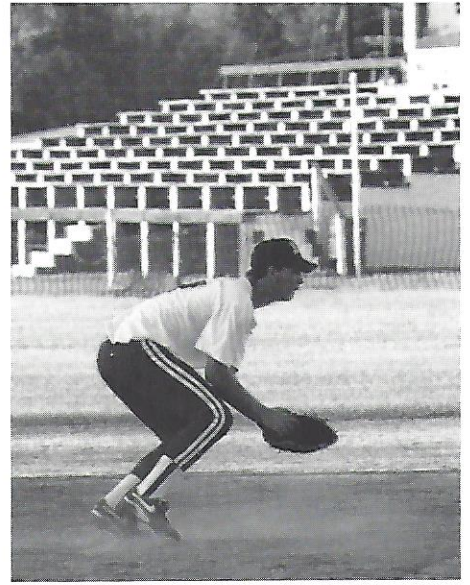


1997 Baseball Highlights



Daniel Bessinger, Chris Peters, Scott Carr, Perry Malphrus, John Paul Jones, Chris Glenn, Phillip Schurr, Adam Grubbs, Coach Gene Sease, Ricky Varnadoe, Richard Moore, Kyle Hiers, Matthew Ponds, Shawn Brandt, Nic Godley, Coach Brian Polk.





1997 Softball Team



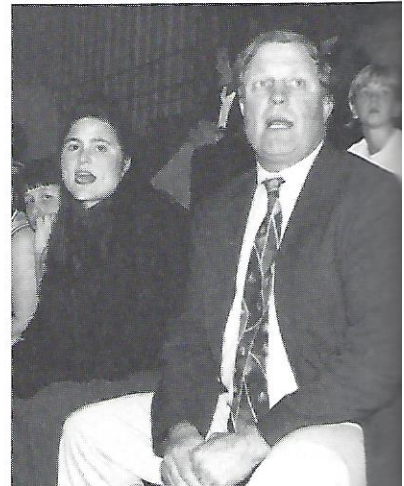
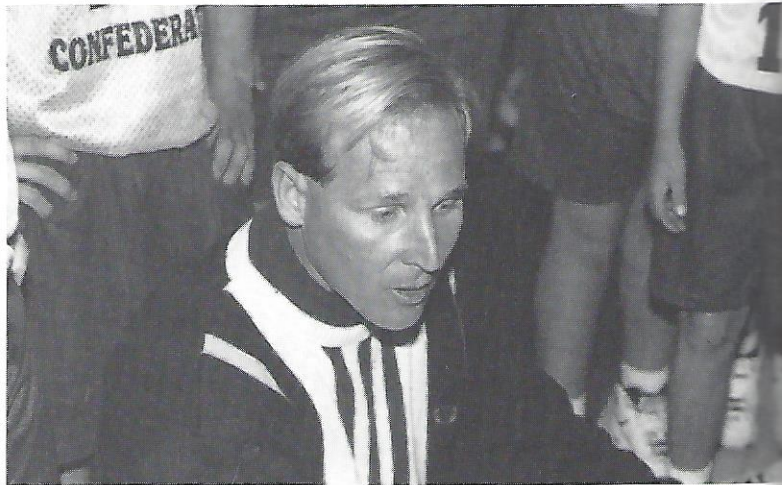
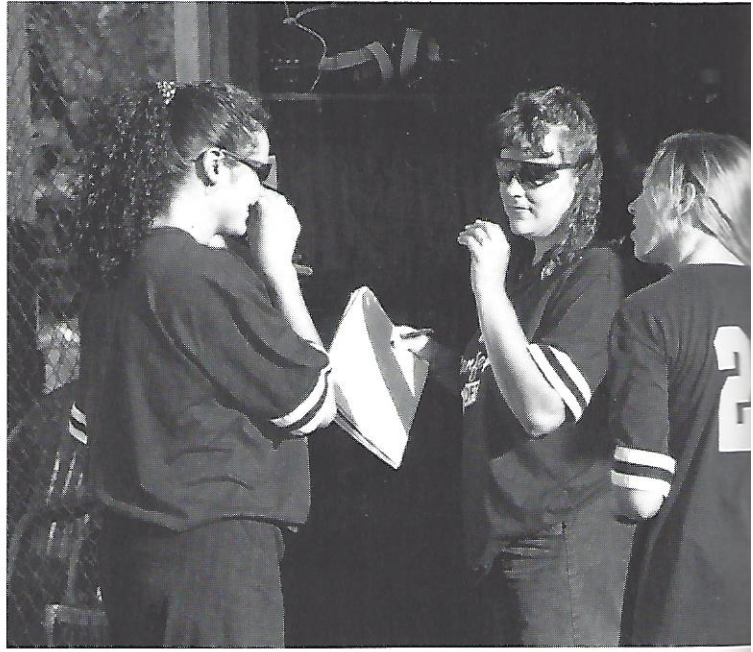
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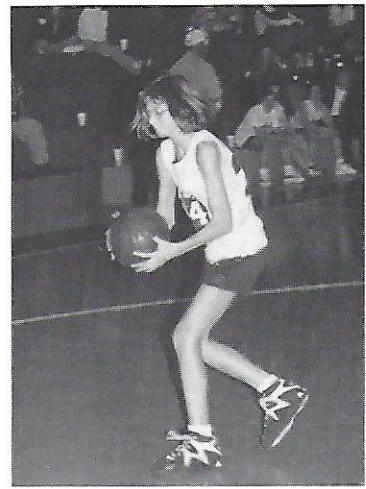




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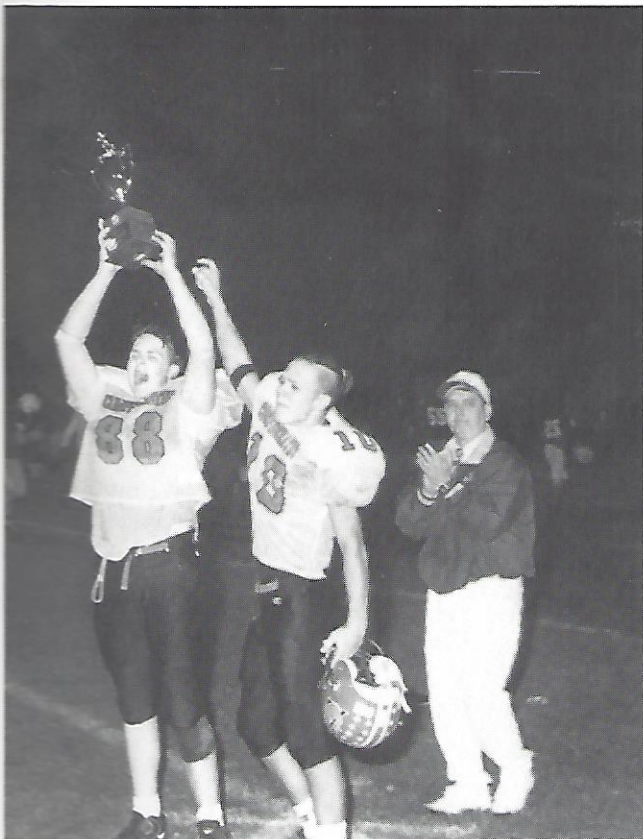


Special Moments

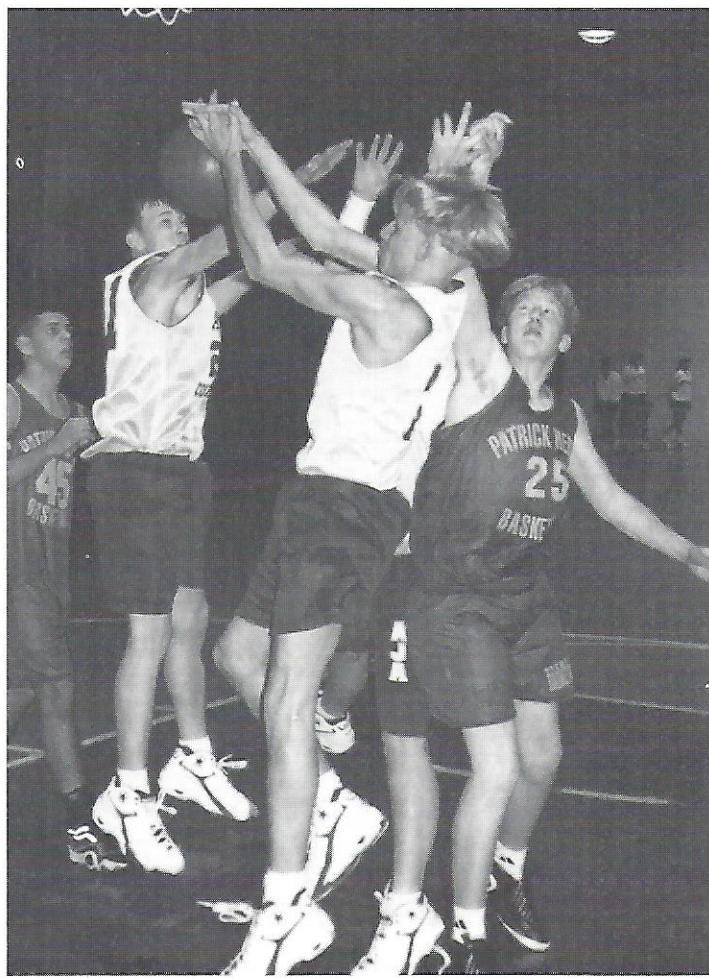


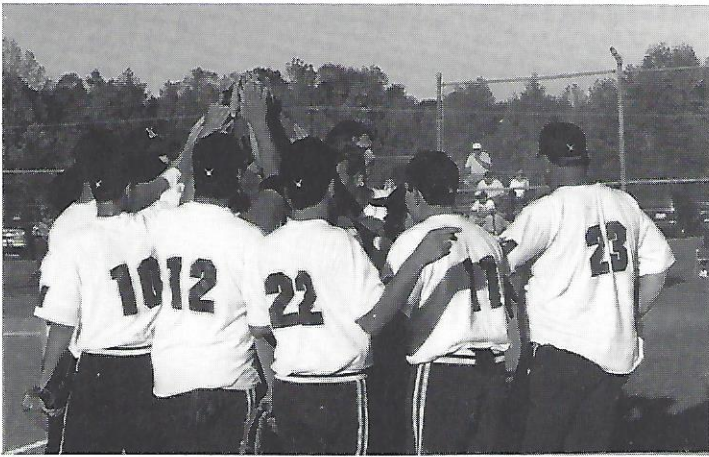
How Sweet To Repeat

SCISAA Class A 8-Man Football Champions 1997



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To Mrs. Lenore, our adviser, we extend a special "Thank You" for her untiring work in helping us meet deadlines.

To next year's editors and staff we wish "Good Luck" ... and start working early. Don't let it get down to deadline day and make you a nervous wreck!

We hope you all enjoy the 1998 Jacksonian.

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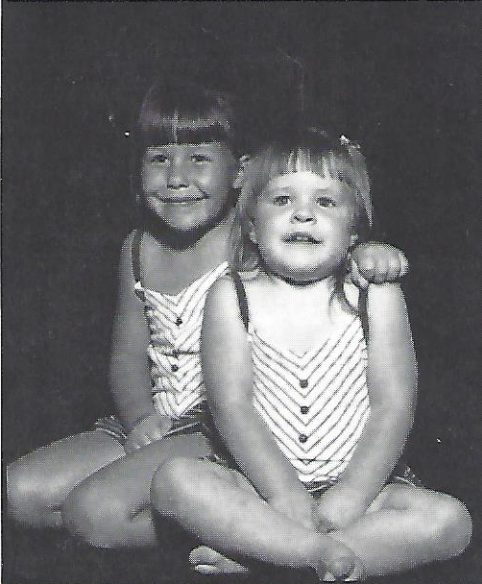


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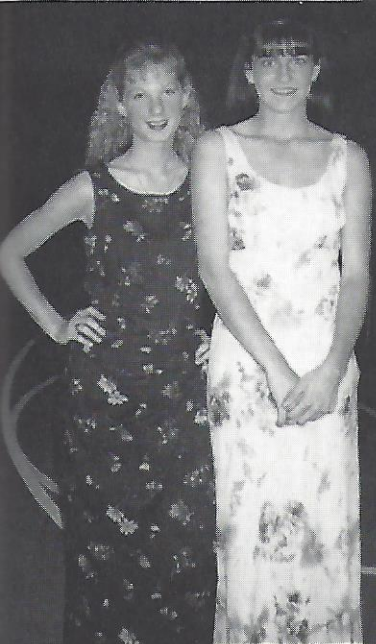
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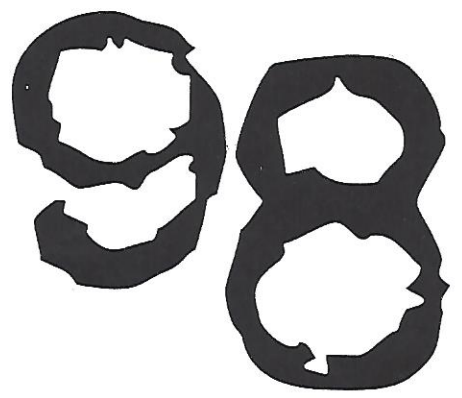
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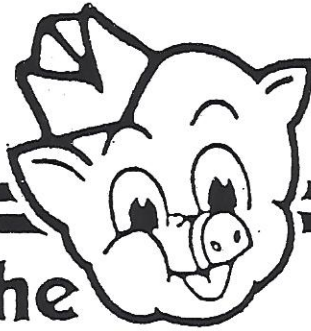
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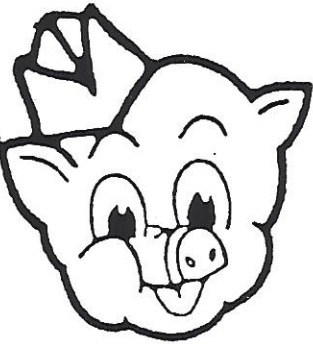
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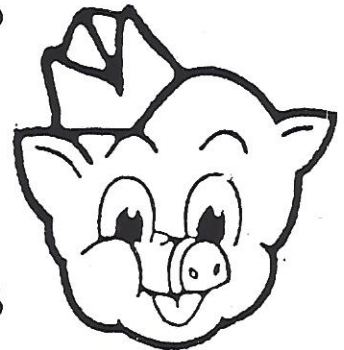
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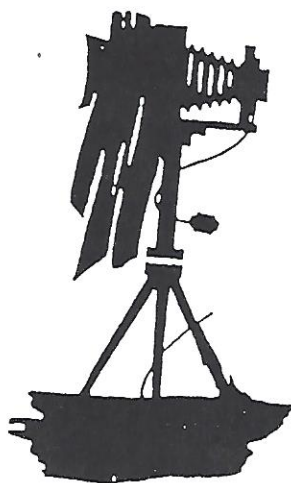
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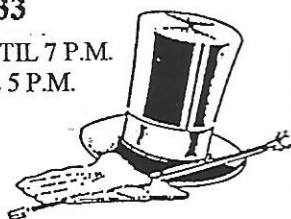
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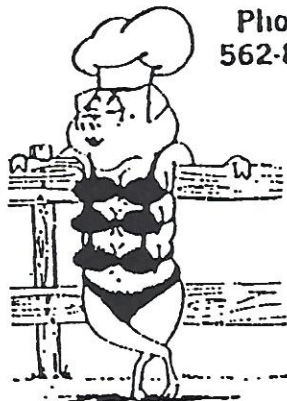
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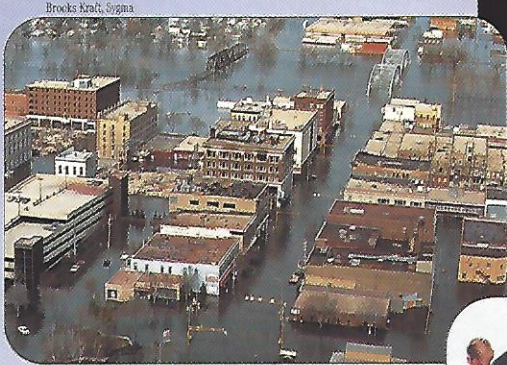
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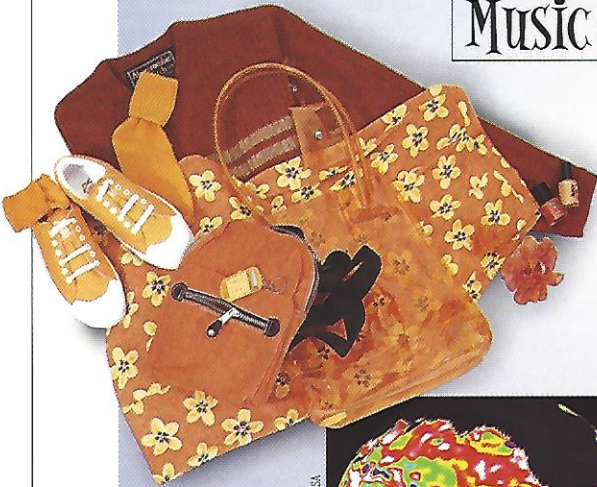


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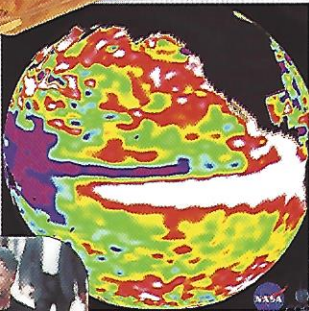


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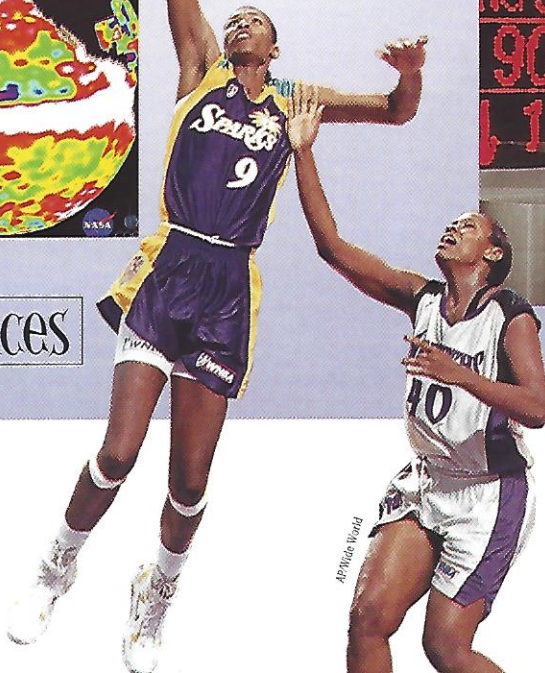
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World NEWS



Agence France Presse

▶ A 15-day school strike in Ontario, Canada, affects 2.1 million students. Late in October, 128,000 teachers walk out to protest a controversial bill that would alter educational funding and centralize government control of education.

▶ Asian economic turmoil triggers global unrest. In October, Hong Kong's stock market crashes. Asian countries receive billions in bailout dollars from the International Monetary Fund.

Agence France Presse



▶ Hong Kong reverts to China at 12:01 a.m., July 1, after 156 years of British colonial rule. China says Hong Kong will continue its Western way of life and free-market economy.



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AP/Wide World

▶ Powerful earthquakes in central Italy kill 11 people and damage art treasures, including centuries-old frescoes by Italian Renaissance painters, in the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi.

Jan 1, 2000

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▶ Governments and businesses worldwide race to remedy the "Year 2000" problem. Unless key computer systems are reprogrammed to recognize dates in the new century the world faces the threat of catastrophic failure in critical areas like banking, air safety, public utilities and defense.



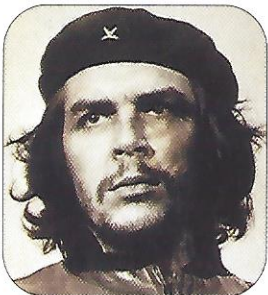
Sawino, Sipa

▶ Montserrat, once called "the Emerald Isle of the Caribbean," is devastated by ongoing eruptions from a volcano that had been dormant for 400 years. Two-thirds of the populace evacuates.

flash

Change sweeps Great Britain as Labor Party leader Tony Blair's landslide election in May 1997 ousts the Conservatives and makes Blair, at 44, Britain's youngest prime minister in 185 years.

Hurricane Pauline slams into Mexico's Pacific coast in October, causing flash floods, landslides and at least 200 fatalities. The resort city of Acapulco is heavily damaged.



Archive Photos

▶ The remains of Ernesto "Che" Guevara, martyred Marxist revolutionary, are laid to rest in Cuba in October, 30 years after his execution in Bolivia, where his bones recently had been found.



AP/Wide World

▶ After 32 years of autocratic rule, President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire is deposed in May 1997 and later dies in exile. His successor, Laurent Kabila, changes Zaire's name to Democratic Republic of the Congo.



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▶ Halloween fever seizes France. At the base of the Eiffel Tower in Paris 8,000 pumpkins are displayed, and French children participate in an American-style Halloween celebration.

President Jiang Zemin of China meets for summit talks with President Bill Clinton in October, the first visit in 12 years of a Chinese leader to the U.S. During his stay, demonstrators protest China's treatment of Tibet.



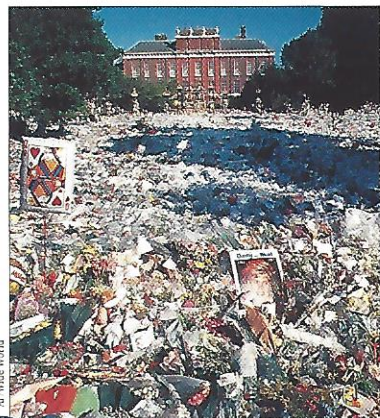
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Tim Graham, Sygma

Diana, Princess of Wales, one of the world's most famous and admired women, dies at 36 in a violent car crash in Paris on August 31.

The death of "the people's princess" generates an emotional outpouring of love and grief, evidenced by floral tributes heaped at Diana's Kensington Palace home.



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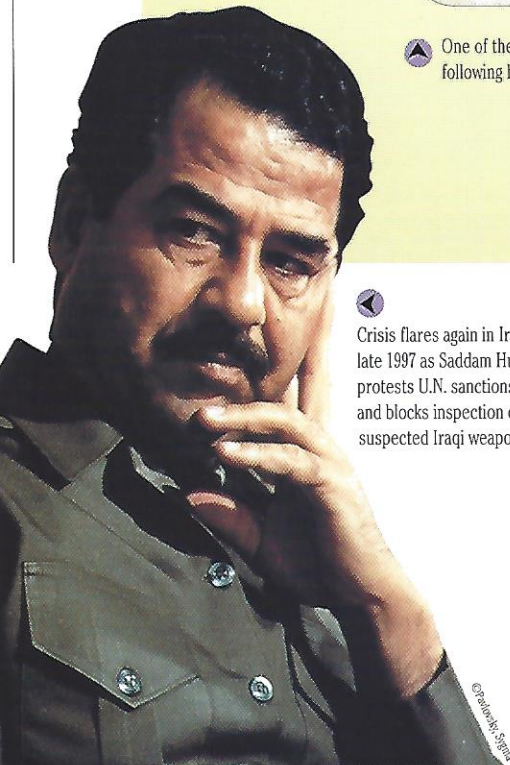
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At the funeral, Elton John performs "Candle in the Wind 1997," rewritten in tribute to Diana. The recording quickly sells more than 35 million copies, becoming the best-selling single of all time. Sales proceeds benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.



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One of the most poignant images of Diana's funeral: her young sons following her coffin into Westminster Abbey.



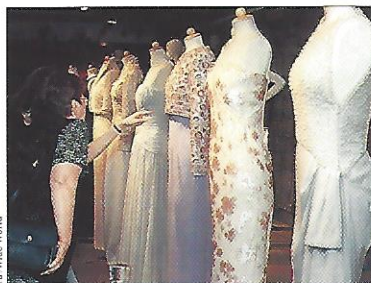
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Crisis flares again in Iraq in late 1997 as Saddam Hussein protests U.N. sanctions and blocks inspection of suspected Iraqi weapon sites.

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Floods, drought and mismanagement in North Korea create a severe famine. As many as a million North Koreans die of starvation.

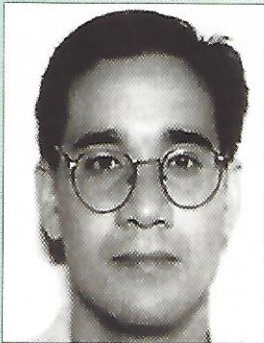
Pope John Paul II visits Communist Cuba in January 1998, the first time a pope has done so. During his five-day visit the pope celebrates public masses and meets privately with President Fidel Castro.



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In June, shortly before Diana's death, an auction of 79 of her evening gowns raises \$3.26 million for AIDS and cancer charities. Top price paid for a single gown: \$222,500.

National NEWS



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▶ On July 23 suspected murderer Andrew Cunanan, 27, commits suicide in Miami Beach. Cunanan was the prime suspect in a cross-country killing spree that left five dead, including fashion designer Gianni Versace.

Brooks Kraft, Sigma



▶ In April 1997, floods ravage the entire Red River Valley between Minnesota and the Dakotas. Ninety percent of downtown Grand Forks, North Dakota, is under water.

▶ Once-mighty Apple Computer is close to failure when arch-rival Bill Gates of Microsoft "rescues" it with a \$150 million bail-out in August. The event opens a new era of cooperation between formerly fierce competitors.



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Jonathan Elderfield, Gamma/Liaison

▶ Americans join "Stop the Violence" campaigns nationwide in an attempt to generate awareness of and solutions to the problem of violence in America.



AP/Wide World

▶ Joe Camel is snuffed out as the Federal Trade Commission bans tobacco advertising aimed at minors and institutes sweeping tobacco advertising restrictions.

flash

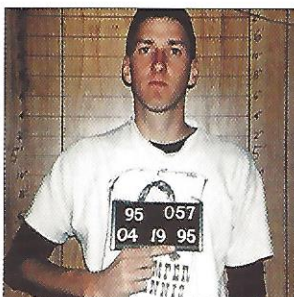
Theodore Kaczynski admits he is the Unabomber responsible for killing 3 people and injuring 29 others in an 18-year bombing campaign. His January 1998 guilty plea spares Kaczynski the death penalty but condemns him to life in prison with no possibility of release.

UPS workers take to the picket lines in an August strike lasting 15 days. The eventual settlement is seen as a major labor victory.



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▶ British nanny Louise Woodward, 19, is convicted in Massachusetts of murdering a child in her care. The judge later reduces the charge to involuntary manslaughter and releases her.



AP/Wide World

▶ Timothy McVeigh is convicted of murder and conspiracy in June for the April 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. McVeigh is later sentenced to death.



Patrick Hegerthy, Sigma

▶ First Lt. Kelly Flinn accepts a general discharge from the Air Force, avoiding court-martial for lying about an affair and disobeying orders. Flinn had been the first and only female B-52 pilot in the service.

Arthur Harvey, The Miami Herald



▶ A rare urban tornado provds through Miami on May 12, uprooting trees, shattering windows and snapping power lines. Fortunately, the storm inflicts only minor injuries.

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▶ Attorney General Janet Reno refuses to name an independent prosecutor to investigate Clinton administration fundraising, causing friction with FBI Director Louis Freeh.



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▶ Terry Nichols is found guilty of conspiracy and manslaughter in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Nichols is spared a federal death sentence in January 1998, but still faces Oklahoma state charges.

▶ UFO enthusiasts gather in Roswell, New Mexico, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the alleged UFO crash there in July 1947.



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▶ Bobbi McCaughey, Carlisle, Iowa, gives birth November 19 to seven babies, the U.S.'s first living septuplets. McCaughey and her husband Kenny now have eight children.



▶ At the Internet/Online Summit in December, Vice President Al Gore announces government initiatives to protect young Internet users from online pornography.



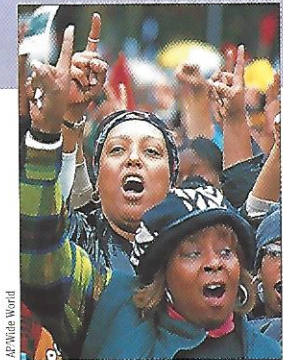
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▶ Fast-food giant Burger King is forced to stop serving burgers when supplier Hudson Foods recalls 25 million pounds of hamburger suspected of contamination with *E. coli* bacteria. It is the biggest beef recall in U.S. history.

flash

The all-male Promise Keepers movement inspires praise and controversy for its message of spiritual revival and personal responsibility for men. In October, the group holds a giant rally in Washington, D.C.

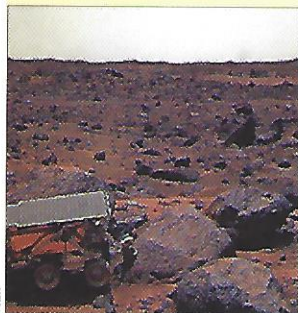
Once-secret tape recordings of former presidents Kennedy and Nixon are released publicly. The tapes provide an unvarnished, and sometimes unflattering, glimpse into the two presidents' actions and conversations in the White House.



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▶ On October 25, at least 300,000 African-American women gather in Philadelphia for the Million Woman March. Winnie Madikizela-Mandela is one of the speakers.

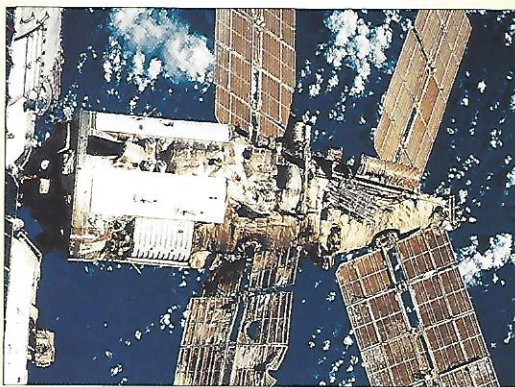
Science NEWS



NASA

▶ Russia's aging *Mir* space station collides with an unmanned supply vehicle in June and is seriously damaged. This is only one in a series of crises casting doubt on the viability of the station.

▶ Viewers worldwide see the first-ever high-resolution color pictures of Mars when the *Pathfinder* spacecraft lands July 4. The lander and its rover, *Sojourner*, collect and transmit extraordinary data for three months.



NASA



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▶ In September, CAT scans of petrified dinosaur eggs found in China reveal a dinosaur embryo.



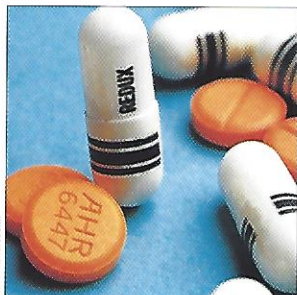
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▶ Scottish scientists in February 1997 announce the world's first cloning of an adult mammal. The sheep, named Dolly, fuels controversy over possible misuse of the technology.



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▶ Research produces medical breakthroughs, including a genetically engineered "bullet" molecule being tested to fight cancer and new drugs to control or prevent Parkinson's disease, osteoporosis and congestive heart failure.



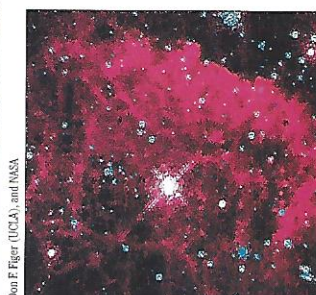
Matt Mendelsohn

▶ The popular diet regimen fen-phen is pulled off the market in September. The combination of fenfluramine and phentermine is shown to cause heart valve disorders, as is the diet drug Redux, also recalled.

flash

Fuel cells that convert a fuel's energy directly into electricity are being developed for use in cars, making possible an efficient, low-emission car of the future.

The first prescription pill for male-pattern baldness is approved by the Food and Drug Administration in December. The drug Propecia is made by Merck and Company.

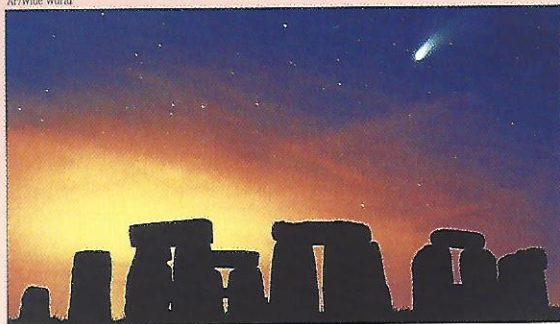


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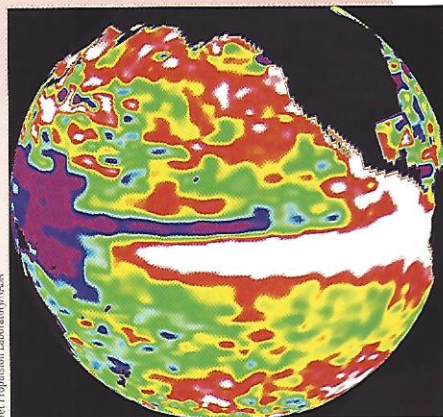
▶ Aided by the Hubble Space Telescope, astronomers discover the Pistol Star—the brightest star yet observed in the Milky Way. The Pistol Star is 25,000 light years from Earth.

▶ Comet Hale-Bopp captures imaginations worldwide as it streaks past Earth for the first time in 4,200 years—or, since 2203 B.C. Hale-Bopp next returns in 4397.

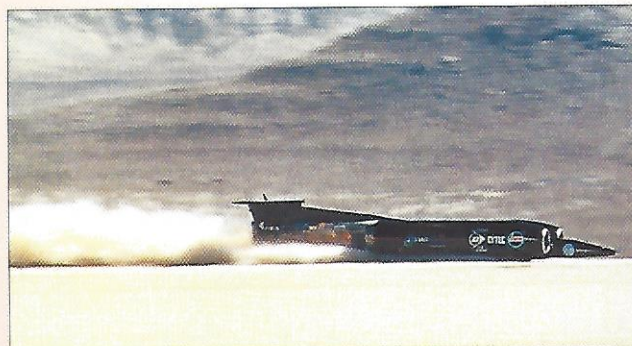
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▶ On October 13, the British jet car *Thrust SSC* becomes the first vehicle to break the sound barrier on land, traveling 766.6 miles per hour in the Nevada desert.



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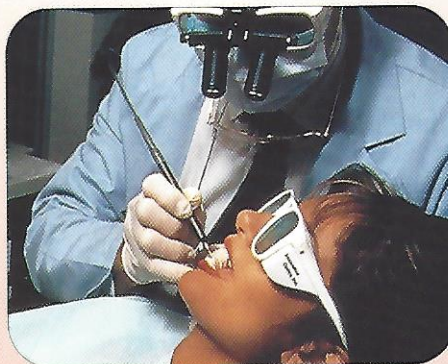
▶ El Niño stirs up global weather patterns. Caused by warmer-than-normal water temperatures in the equatorial Pacific, the '97 El Niño is blamed for storms and weather problems worldwide.



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▶ In December, 159 nations gather in Kyoto, Japan, and negotiate a climate treaty to combat global warming by reducing greenhouse gases.

▶ The Food and Drug Administration approves a dental laser for treating cavities. Unlike traditional dental drills, the laser in most cases causes virtually no discomfort.

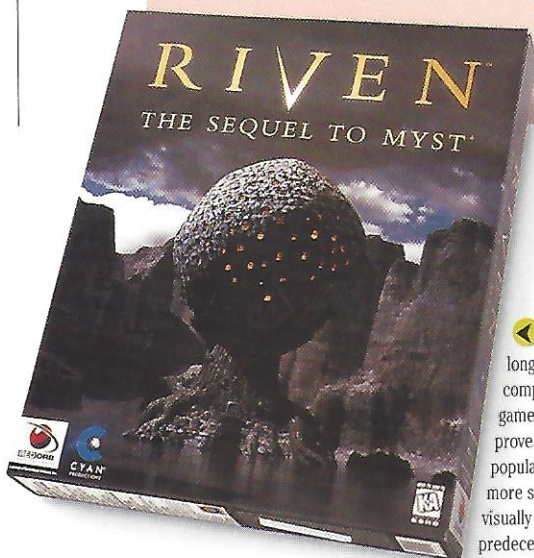


Premier Laser Systems, Inc.



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▶ Protesters unsuccessfully attempt to prevent the October launch of NASA's *Cassini* spacecraft to Saturn, fearing an accident could shower the Earth with the rocket's radioactive plutonium.



▶ Riven, the long-awaited computer adventure game sequel to *Myst*, proves to be just as popular and even more sophisticated visually than its predecessor.

flash

Hong Kong authorities in December order the slaughter of more than a million chickens in an effort to halt the spread of a bird flu virus that killed six people.

The space shuttle *Columbia* releases the errant *Spartan* satellite in November. U.S. astronaut Winston Scott and Takao Doi, the first Japanese astronaut to do a space walk, retrieve the satellite for return to Earth.



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▶ French oceanographer and award-winning filmmaker Jacques Cousteau dies in June at 87. His work gained renown through the popular television series "The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau."

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Teen People, a savvy monthly magazine for and about teenagers, premieres in February 1998.

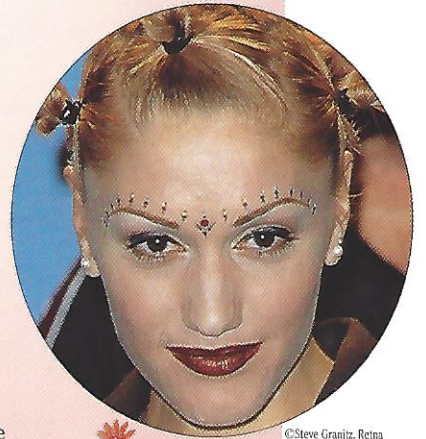


Fashion advertising and clothing trends inspire the popularity of the color orange, which replaces neon green as the fad color of the year.



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In October, a cyberfashion show at the M.I.T. Media Lab Wearable Symposium features fashions with built-in computer devices and electronic hardware. M.I.T. students designed the high-tech fashions.

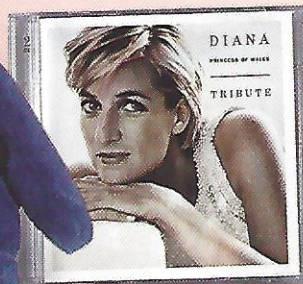


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Fashion looks to the Far East. The stick-on bindi, a tiny decorative accent worn in the middle of the forehead, is popularized by Gwen Stefani, lead singer of the band No Doubt.



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Princess Diana tribute merchandise abounds, including a double CD set and a new Beanie Baby named Princess, a royal purple bear adorned with a rose. Profits benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.

flash

Nike introduces a new "I Can" advertising campaign on New Year's Day. The company does not plan to abandon its "Just Do It" slogan, introduced in 1985, which will continue to appear on T-shirts and posters.

Diet Scent Patches are introduced in June by Slimline, a British company. Designed to help people diet successfully, the small arm stickers produce an unpleasant odor to discourage the wearer from eating sweets.



AP/Wide World

"Two Fat Ladies" becomes the Food Network's hottest new cooking show in the U.S., attracting fans with its unconventional British stars, two overweight, middle-aged women.



Christian Dior

This year's look in cosmetics is glimmering, sparkling and colorful. Riding this wave, cosmetics giant Christian Dior introduces Mascara Flash, temporary hair color in a variety of outrageous tints.

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Platform shoes, a fashion statement during the disco '70s, make a style comeback in a big way in 1997, inspiring even platform sneakers.

▶ The Chevrolet Corvette is named *Motor Trend* magazine's 1998 Car of the Year.

General Motors



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▶ A new \$50 bill featuring a larger, off-center portrait of President Ulysses S. Grant is unveiled in October. Design details make the bill more difficult to forge.



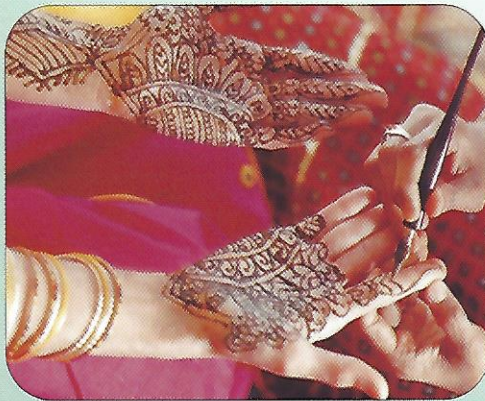
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▶ After nearly 40 years, Mattel's Barbie doll takes on a more realistic face and body shape than the Barbie of the '60s. The new doll will begin to appear in stores in early 1998.



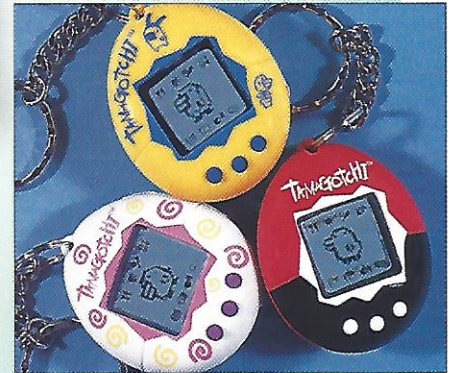
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▶ Mattel introduces Share a Smile Becky in May 1997. Seated in a bright pink wheelchair, the doll is marketed as a friend to the traditional Barbie.



Karl Steinbrenner

▶ Mehndi, intricate designs painted on the body with henna dye, is a popular expression of the fashion trend toward Eastern themes and patterns.



▶ Digital "pets" are a 1997 toy craze. These virtual critters keep their owners busy by beeping when they need care or feeding. If ignored, they "die."

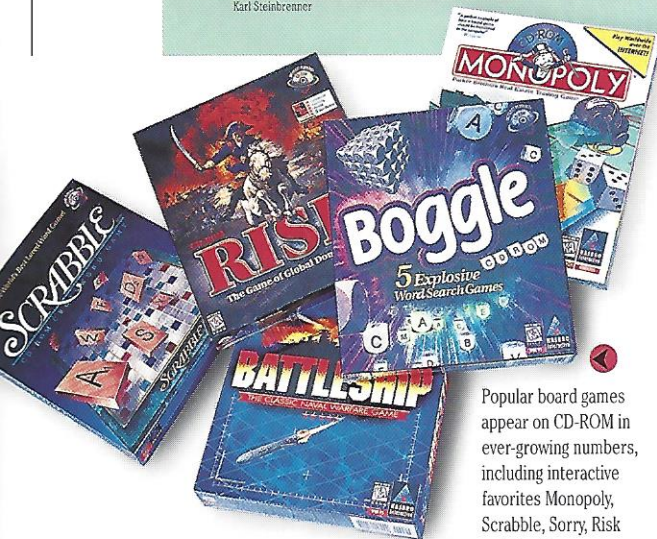
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As many as 700 school districts nationwide teach "emotional intelligence," aiming to develop children's values and people skills as well as their minds.

Beepers are a status symbol and a lifestyle must-have for many teens juggling school, jobs and after-school activities. More than 40 million beepers are carried in the U.S., an estimated 25 percent of them by people between the ages of 12 and 24. In some schools, beepers are forbidden as disruptive.



▶ Canada issues a Superhero postage stamp series that includes a 45-cent stamp featuring the colorful, comic-book image of Superman.

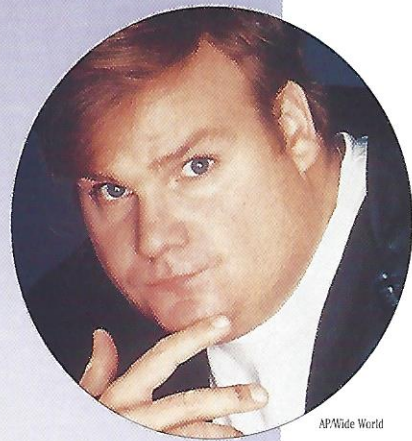


Popular board games appear on CD-ROM in ever-growing numbers, including interactive favorites Monopoly, Scrabble, Sorry, Risk and Boggle.

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▲ Comedian Chris Farley dies at 33 of a drug overdose on December 18. He starred in NBC's "Saturday Night Live" and movies including *Tommy Boy* and *Beverly Hills Ninja*.



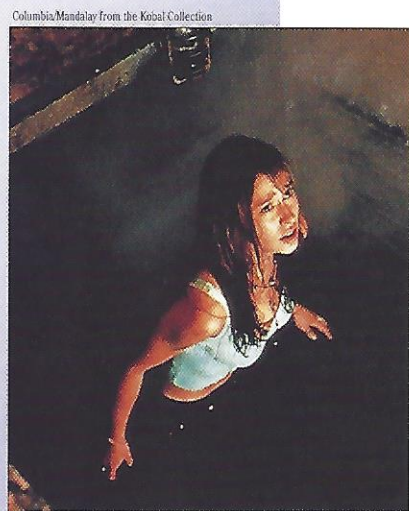
ABC from the Kobal Collection

▶ ABC's gritty police drama "NYPD Blue" remains one of the most popular one-hour dramas on television in 1997, capturing four Emmy Awards.



Universal Studios, Inc., from Shooting Star

▶ *The Lost World*, Steven Spielberg's *Jurassic Park* sequel, breaks summer box-office records everywhere. It earns \$229 million in the U.S.



Columbia/Mandalay from the Kobal Collection

▲ Horror films draw teenagers to the box office. *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, starring Jennifer Love Hewitt and Sarah Michelle Gellar, is one of the year's biggest attractions.



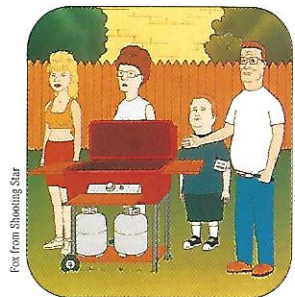
Gino Mifsud, Shooting Star

▶ Jerry Seinfeld, creator and star of the NBC hit "Seinfeld," announces in December that the 1997-1998 season is the show's last. The final episode airs in May, ending the popular show's nine-year run.

flash

In its second season, the WB's campy sitcom "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" blossoms into a huge favorite with many viewers.

Jenny McCarthy stars in a new fall NBC comedy "Jenny" that, in January 1998, goes into hiatus only a few months into its first season. McCarthy had been an MTV personality before moving to the network.



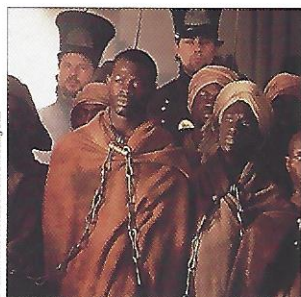
Fox from Shooting Star

▲ Fox network launches "King of the Hill," an animated show that focuses on the lives of a propane dealer from Texas and his family. The show goes on to become a smash hit.



Dimension Films from the Kobal Collection

▶ *Scream 2*, the chilling hit sequel to *Scream*, is a wildly successful mix of carnage and comedy starring Neve Campbell, Jerry O'Connell, Tori Spelling, Jada Pinkett and a host of other stars.



Dreamworks Pictures from Shooting Star

▲ Critically acclaimed *Amistad*, directed by Steven Spielberg, tells the story of an 1839 slave ship mutiny. The film culminates years of effort by producer Debbie Allen to bring the story to life.

Religion is a common theme on eight fall-season network TV shows inspired by the success of CBS's "Touched by an Angel" starring Roma Downey, Della Reese and John Dye. New programs include ABC's "Nothing Sacred" and "Teen Angel."

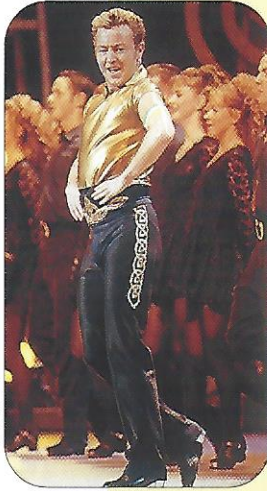
CBS Entertainment from Shooting Star



AP/Wide World



Titanic is a huge critical and box-office success. The movie event of the year, this \$200 million picture is the most costly in history. After 45 days in the theaters, *Titanic* had earned \$308 million.



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Fox/Paramount from Shooting Star

Star Wars captures a new generation of fans when George Lucas re-releases the film trilogy 20 years after the first film was shown. In Washington, D.C., the National Air and Space Museum mounts a huge exhibition of now-historic *Star Wars* artifacts.

Michael Flatley's pulsating show "Lord of the Dance" fuels the extraordinary popularity of Irish dance. The show tours 15 cities in the U.S. through October.

In the fall, Fox debuts "Ally McBeal," a comedy/drama starring Calista Flockhart as a young Boston attorney. The show captures a Golden Globe Award in January 1998 for best series/musical or comedy.



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Matt Damon stars as an attorney in *The Rainmaker*, a movie based on the John Grisham novel. Damon's successes also include the film *Good Will Hunting*.



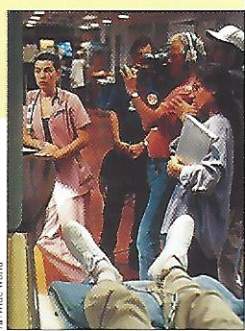
Columbia TriStar from Shooting Star

Summer blockbuster *Men in Black* grosses more than \$500 million worldwide to become 1997's biggest hit. The sci-fi comedy stars Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones.

flash

The Wonderful World of Disney presents its adaptation of "Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella" on ABC, starring Brandy as Cinderella and Whitney Houston as the Fairy Godmother.

Tomorrow Never Dies, starring Pierce Brosnan as 007, is a holiday box-office hit and confirms the enduring popularity of James Bond movies.



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The 1997 season premiere episode of "ER" is broadcast live and draws 42.7 million viewers for NBC, including those who watch it on a giant screen in Times Square.

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▶ Chumbawamba's hit single "Tubthumping" brings long-awaited success to this British band. The song becomes popular at pro sports events, kicking off games for several teams.

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▶ Rap artist the Notorious B.I.G. is killed in a March 1997 drive-by shooting in Los Angeles. He is posthumously awarded MTV's 1997 Best Rap Video Award for "Hypnotize" and is named *Spin* magazine's Artist of the Year.

▶ Fiona Apple, 20, one of rock's female superstars, is named MTV's Best New Artist in a Video. Her single "Criminal" soars to the top of the charts.

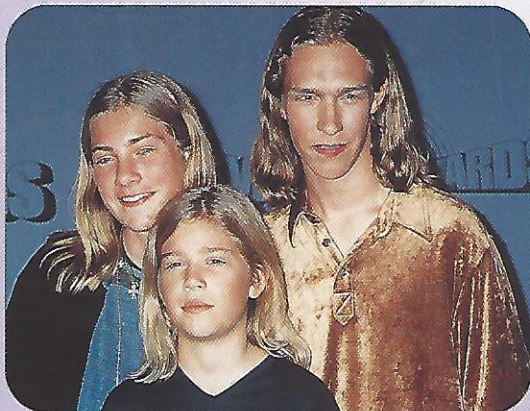


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▶ With their hit single "MMMBop," three young brothers from Tulsa become one of the biggest breakthrough acts of 1997 as the band Hanson.



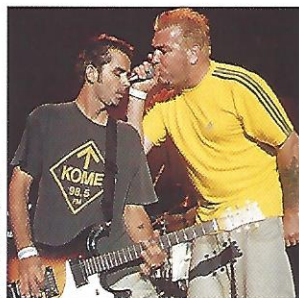
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▶ Lilith Fair, an all-female summer rock concert, draws large crowds on its 37-stop tour. Canadian singer-songwriter Sarah McLachlan masterminds the festival and releases a hit album, *Surfacing*.

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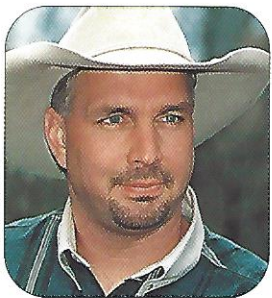
Drummer Bill Berry leaves R.E.M. after 17 years with the popular rock group. R.E.M. plans to continue as a trio.

Kenny G. enters the *Guinness Book of World Records* for holding the longest musical note—45 minutes, 47 seconds—on his saxophone.



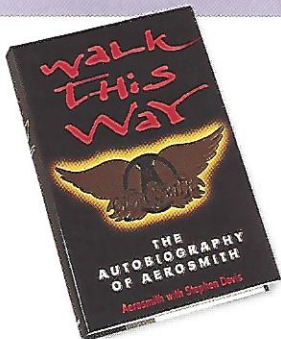
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▶ Smash Mouth popularizes a genre of alternative rock known as neo-ska with its hit single "Walkin' on the Sun" and debut album *Fush Yu Mang*.



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▶ Country music superstar Garth Brooks releases *Sevens*, his first album in two years. The album sells 800,000 copies the first week.



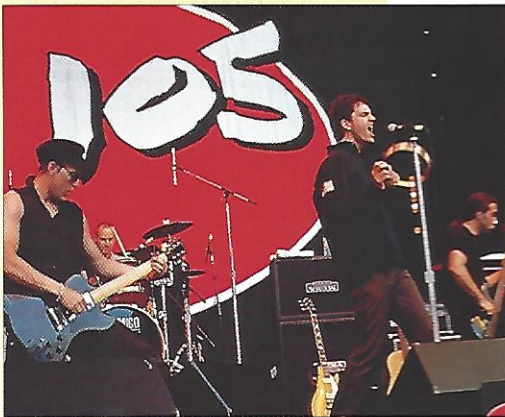
▶ *Walk This Way: The Autobiography of Aerosmith* chronicles the long career of the band notorious for its excesses in the '70s and '80s. The group's new album *Nine Lives* is nominated for a 1998 Grammy.

British pop phenomenon, the Spice Girls, makes millions with mega-hits such as "Wannabe" and sells 14 million albums and 10 million singles.

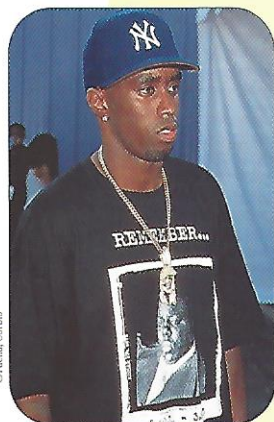
Ron Davis, Shooting Star



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Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys engineers the second Tibetan Freedom Concert, held in June in New York, offering 27 music acts and a free-Tibet political message.



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The album *No Way Out* by Puff Daddy & the Family goes multiplatinum. Puffy's single "I'll Be Missing You," an elegy to his friend the Notorious B.I.G., also tops the charts.



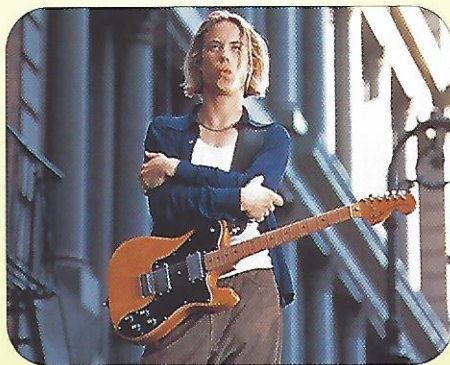
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Third Eye Blind, after several years in San Francisco's underground music scene, goes big time in 1997. Their song "Semi-Charmed Life" is listed as the top-selling modern rock single for 1997 in *Billboard* magazine.

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Sixteen-year-old R&B phenom Jonny Lang opens for the Rolling Stones' fall tour and spends 16 weeks at No. 1 on *Billboard's* blues chart with his album *Lie to Me*.



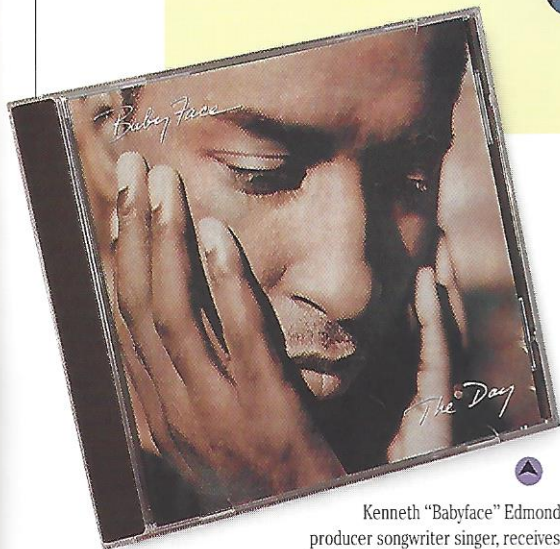
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Metallica releases a seventh album, *Re-Load*, that confirms its position as the premier heavy-metal band in the music world.

Radiohead is *Spin* magazine's Band of the Year. Critics praise Radiohead's album *OK Computer*, variously described as haunting, revolting, inscrutable, stunning and gorgeous. The album receives a 1998 Grammy nomination for Rock/Pop Album of the Year.

At 15, country music sensation LeAnn Rimes sells more than 12.5 million recordings in the U.S. in 1997 and is named *Billboard* Music Awards Artist of the Year. Her single "How Do I Live" is one of the year's best sellers.



Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds, superstar producer songwriter singer, receives more 1998 Grammy nominations than any other artist, including one for his album *The Day*. Edmonds and wife Tracey also produce the film *Soul Food* in 1997.

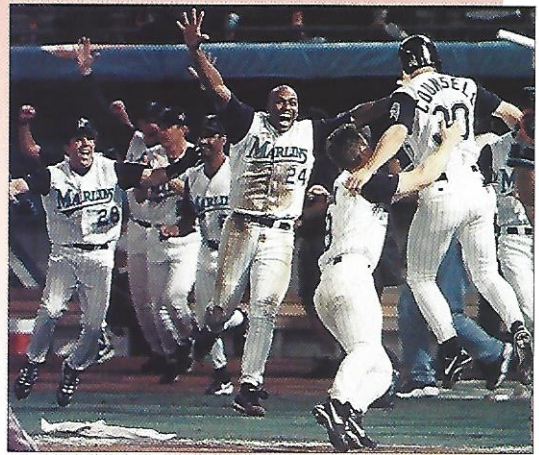
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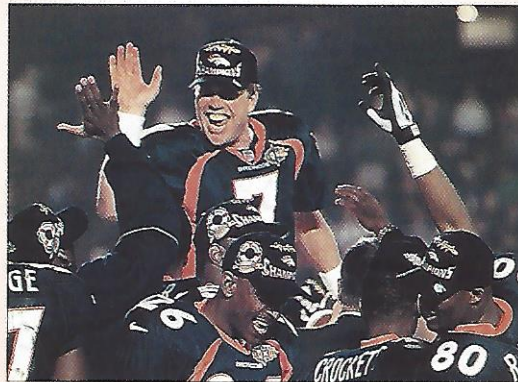
- ▶ In July, 16-year-old Swiss tennis star Martina Hingis becomes the youngest Wimbledon champion since 1887. Hingis wins three of the four 1997 Grand Slam events.

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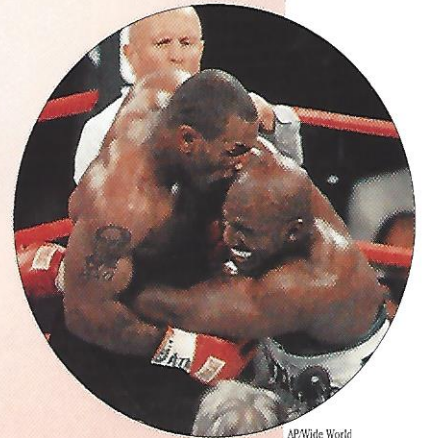


- ▶ The Florida Marlins are baseball's 1997 World Series champs and the first team ever to win the Series without winning its league pennant. The Marlins defeat the Cleveland Indians in seven games.

- ▶ Quarterback John Elway leads the Denver Broncos to a 31-24 victory over the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII in San Diego, January 25, 1998. It is Elway's first Super Bowl win in four appearances.

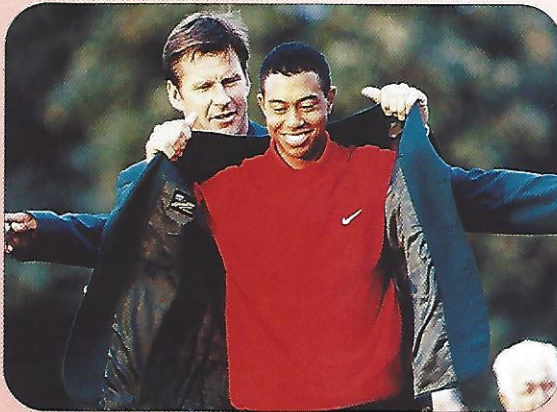


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- ▶ Tiger Woods, 21, becomes the youngest golfer ever to win the Masters Tournament. His 18-under-par score sets a Masters record. Woods wins 3 other tournaments and sets a PGA Tour earnings record of \$2.1 million for the season.



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- ▶ Mike Tyson bites off part of Evander Holyfield's ear and is disqualified in the WBA Heavyweight rematch in June 1997. Tyson is fined nearly \$3 million and his boxing license is revoked.

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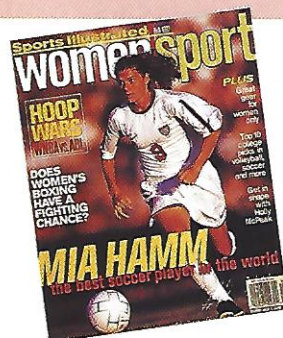
Swedish golfing phenomenon Annika Sorenstam, 26, tops the LPGA earnings list in 1997 with a record \$1,236,789.

Professional sports salaries keep skyrocketing. One of the most publicized of 1997 is Kevin Garnett's \$126 million contract to play basketball for the Minnesota Timberwolves.

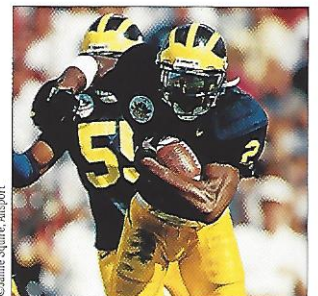


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- ▶ Pittsburgh Penguins' Mario Lemieux retires in April 1997 after a spectacular comeback from Hodgkin's disease and injury. Lemieux is elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in September.



- ▶ In April 1997, the premier issue of *Sports Illustrated Women's Sport* hits the newsstands. The magazine reflects the explosive growth of female participation in sports.



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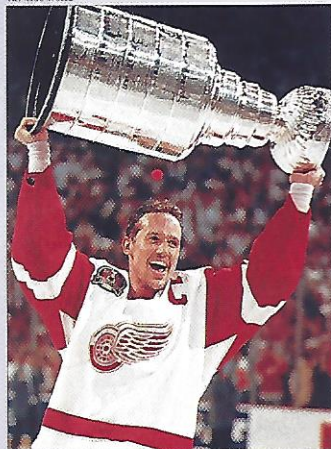
- ▶ Charles Woodson, Michigan's versatile junior cornerback, becomes the first primarily defensive player to win the Heisman Trophy, awarded in December.

▶ Jeff Gordon, at 26, wins the 1997 NASCAR Winston Cup, his second Winston Cup point title in three years. Gordon's 1997 points total 4,710.

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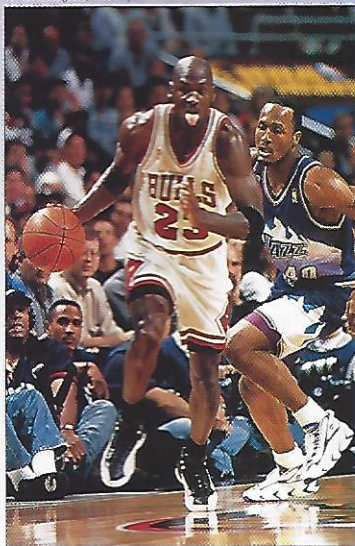
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▶ Detroit Red Wings captain Steve Yzerman powers his team to the 1997 Stanley Cup championship, its first in 42 years, by sweeping the Philadelphia Flyers in four games.

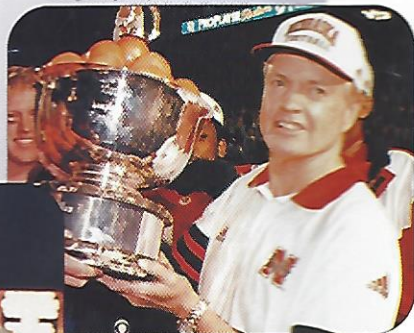
▶ The Chicago Bulls beat the Utah Jazz in June 1997 for their fifth NBA championship in seven years. Michael Jordan is chosen Finals MVP a record fifth time.

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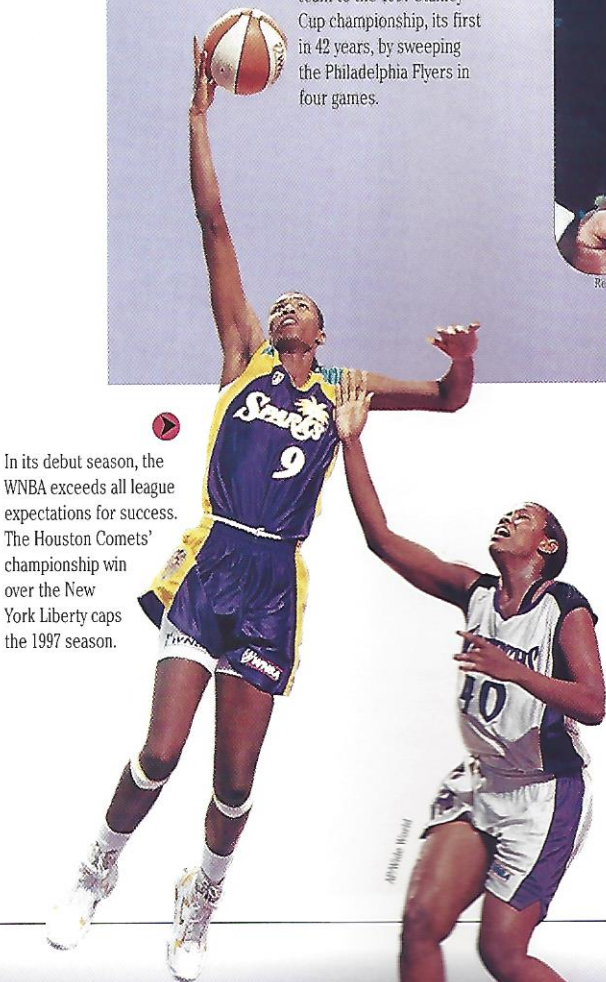


▶ When the college football season ends, two teams share the national championship. Michigan (12-0) is named No. 1 by the sports writers' poll, and Nebraska (13-0) by the coaches' poll.

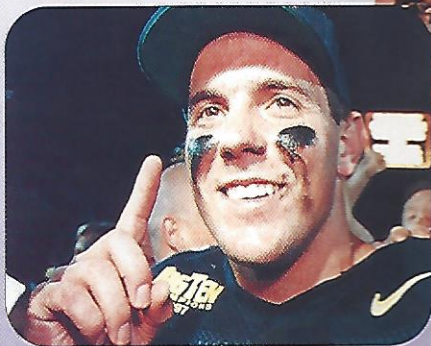
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▶ Nagano, Japan, hosts the 1998 Winter Olympic Games during February. Three new medal sports make their Olympic debut: curling, snowboarding and women's ice hockey.



▶ In its debut season, the WNBA exceeds all league expectations for success. The Houston Comets' championship win over the New York Liberty caps the 1997 season.



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Women officiate in an all-male professional sports league for the first time. The pioneers, Dee Kanter and Violet Palmer, are referees in the NBA.

Mark McGwire, of the St. Louis Cardinals, slams 52 homers in 1996 and 58 in 1997. McGwire becomes only the second player in baseball history with back-to-back, 50-home-run seasons, the other being Babe Ruth.



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▶ Dean Smith, winningest coach in college basketball history, retires in October after 36 seasons at North Carolina. *Sports Illustrated* names him 1997 Sportsman of the Year.

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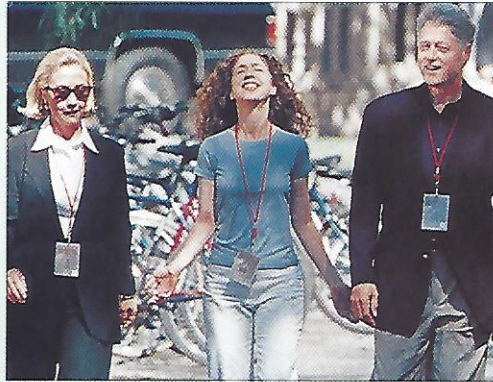
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Miss Illinois, Katherine Shindle, is crowned Miss America 1998. For the first time in its 77-year history the pageant allows contestants to wear two-piece swimsuits in competition.

Chelsea Clinton begins her freshman year at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California. Despite security measures, she reportedly will lead as normal a college life as possible.



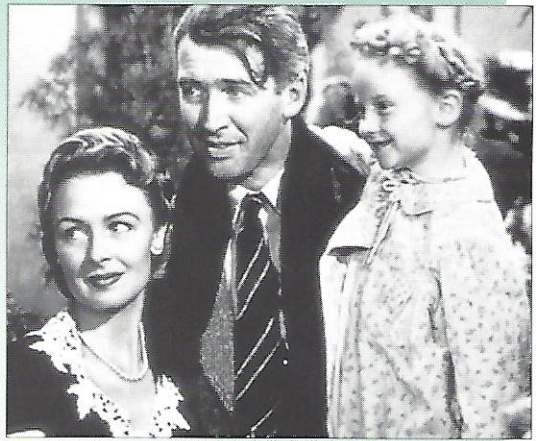
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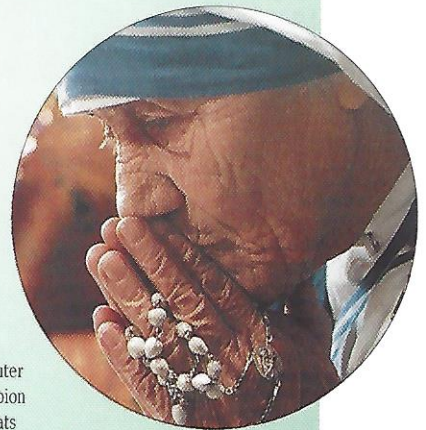
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For the first time, a computer beats a world chess champion when IBM's Deep Blue beats Russian Garry Kasparov in a six-game match in May 1997.

Shooting Star



Beloved actor Jimmy Stewart dies in July at 89. Stewart's enduring nice-guy popularity is exemplified by *It's a Wonderful Life*, his 1946 movie that is now an American cultural icon.



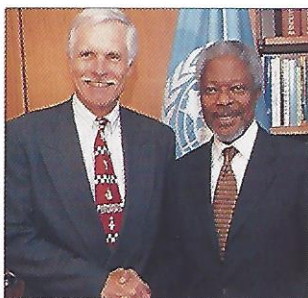
J.T. MacMillan, San Diego Union-Tribune

Roman Catholic nun Mother Teresa of Calcutta dies September 5 at the age of 87. Reversed for a lifetime of helping the poorest of the poor, her many honors include the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize.



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American Jody Williams and the International Campaign to Ban Land Mines are awarded the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize in October. The U.S. and China refuse to sign an international treaty that would ban land mines.



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Ted Turner, vice chairman of the Time Warner media empire, pledges \$1 billion to United Nations programs. It is the largest single gift in philanthropic history.

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Former leader of the Soviet Union Mikhail Gorbachev films a TV commercial for Pizza Hut. He reportedly earns \$1 million for the appearance, money he plans to use to benefit his Gorbachev Foundation.

Singer John Denver dies in October at 53 when the experimental plane he is piloting crashes into California's Monterey Bay.



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Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, appears in ads as a spokesperson for Weight Watchers International. She is the former wife of England's Prince Andrew.



