

Andrew Jackson Academy  
Jacksonian















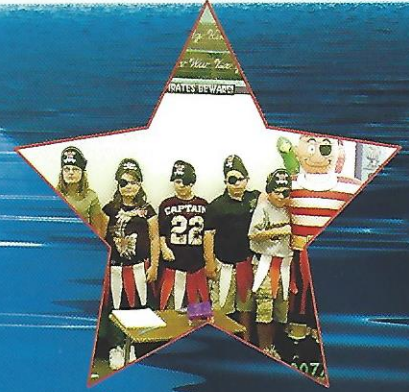
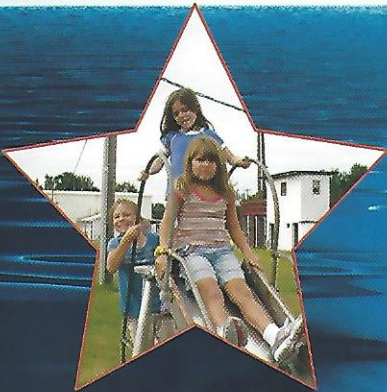
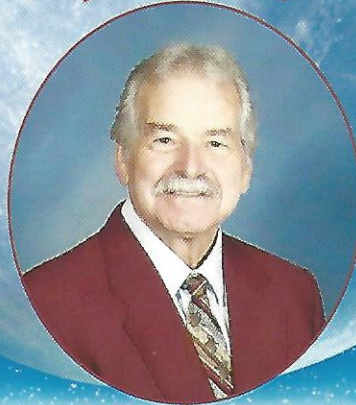
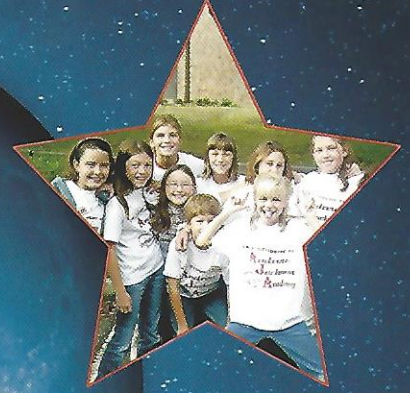


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**Headmaster  
William  
Brannen**

**Volume 37**



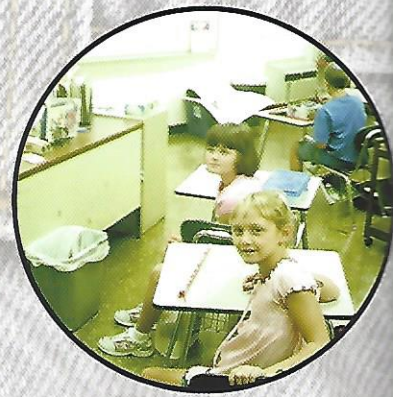
Beside the highway where crowds are passing  
Stands Andrew Jackson, proud Academy.  
And all will find who seek within her portals  
A wealth of wisdom truth, and loyalty.

Dear Andrew Jackson, we will sing our praises  
And lift on high thy banner to the sky.  
Thy lofty aims will be our inspirations  
To deeds of honor as the years go by.

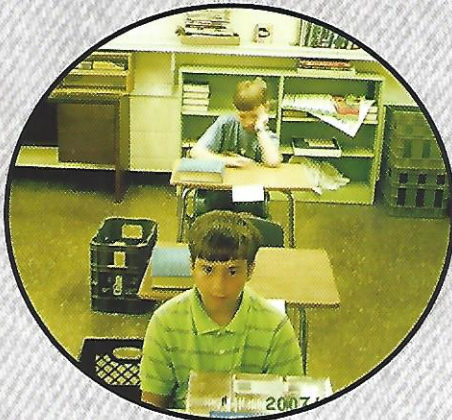
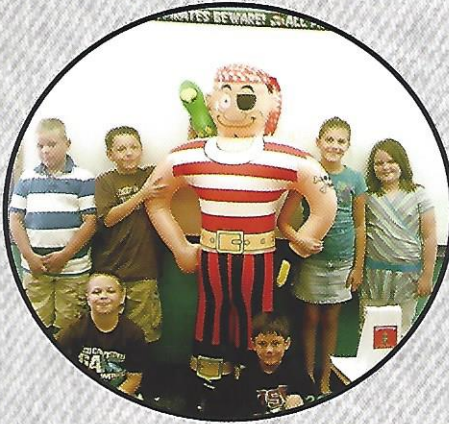
**Andrew Jackson  
Academy  
Confederates**

**2008**





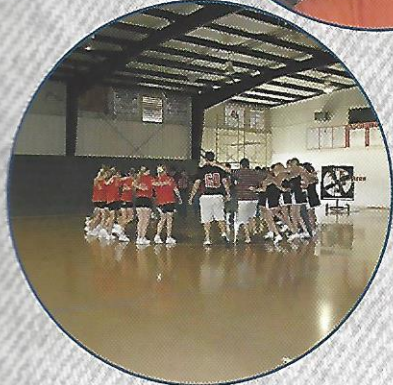
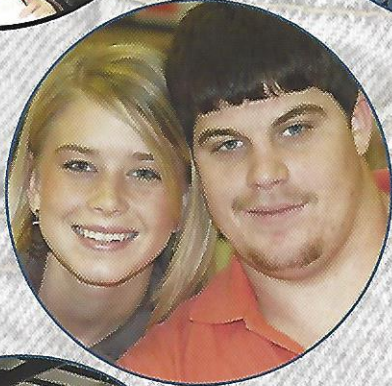
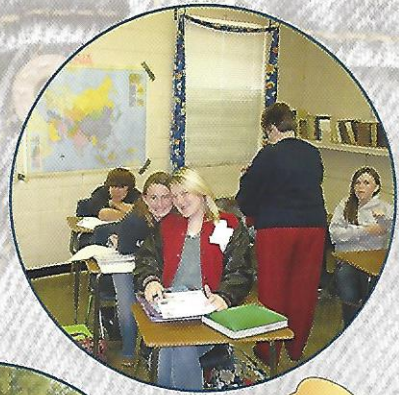
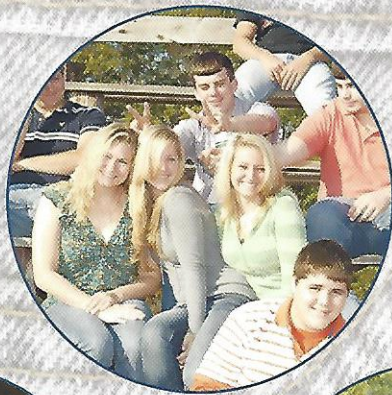
# Ah, Those Sweet First Days.....



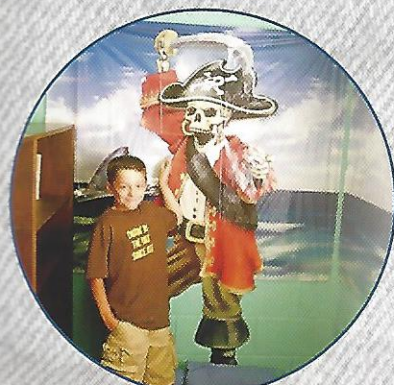
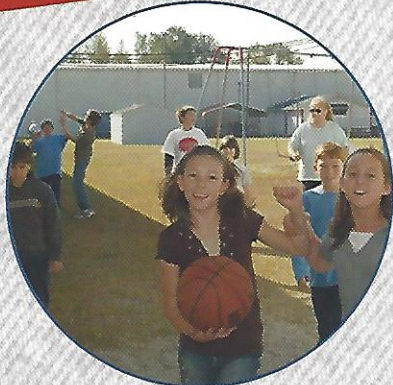
# Rule the School







# glory clays



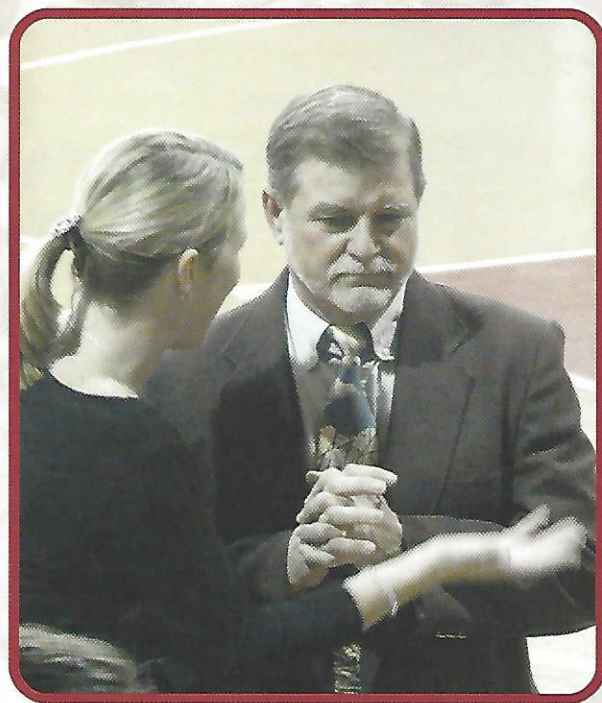
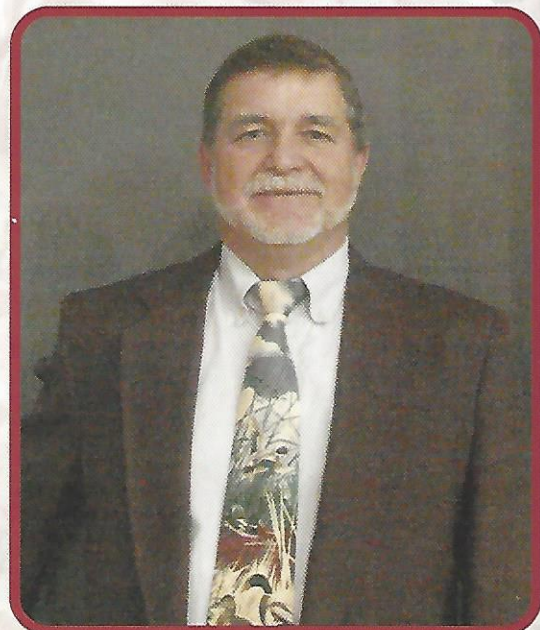


# *Dedicated To Coach Donald Bessinger*

*The 2007-2008 Jacksonian is dedicated to a man who has been an inspiration to the basketball sports program and to the students here at AJA. This certain coach has coached boys basketball as well as girls basketball. His teams have won many trophies in the conference and tournament levels. He has also taken the boys and girls basketball teams to state, which was exciting for the coach as well as his players.*

*Even though our coach was tough and always pushed us to our limits, we all now know that it was worth it. We appreciate his wife and his family who are all very understanding when he has to spend so much time at practice and at games.*

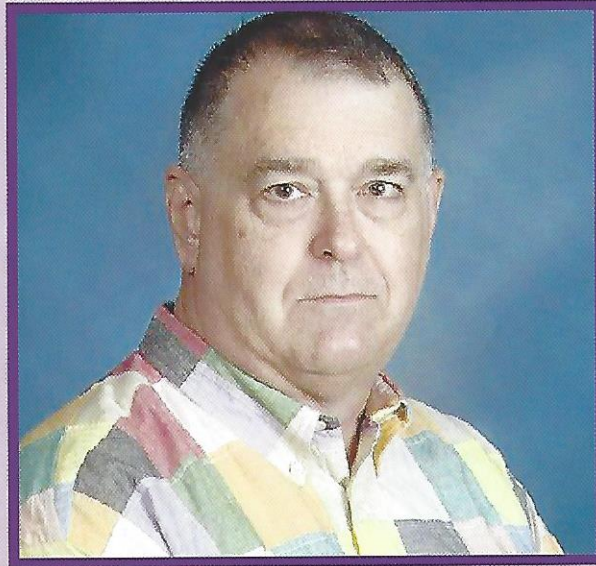
*Our dedication goes to Coach Donald Bessinger. We love and appreciate you for your dedication to the teams here at AJA.*





# Teacher of the Year

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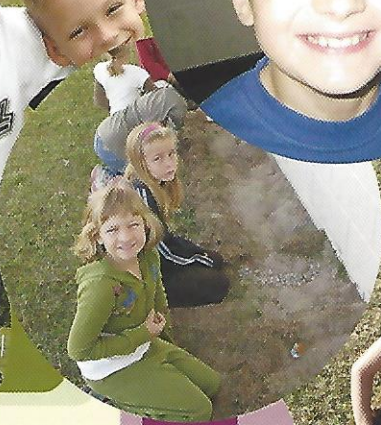
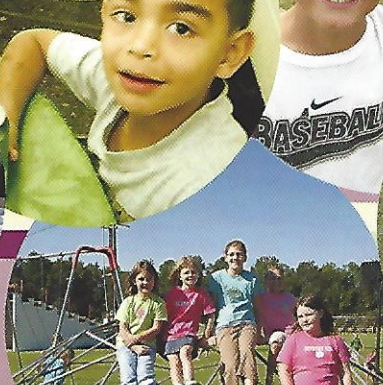
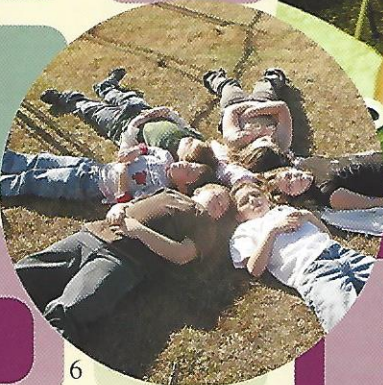
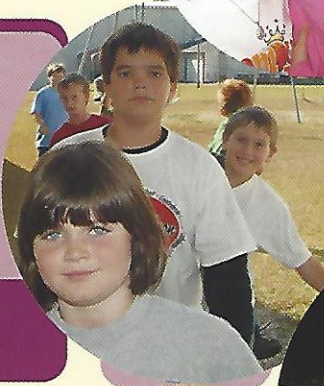
## **Albert Charles Korhonen**

Students voted Mr. Al Korhonen AJA's first "Teacher of the Year" for the 2007-08 school year. He has been teaching for 30 years. Dr. Koho enjoys teaching Algebra III, Computer I & II, World History, and Humanities to all of his students at Andrew Jackson Academy. Dr. Koho has attended various colleges including Erskine College, University of South Carolina, and South Carolina State University. Dr. Koho has received many degrees including BA English, Med Secondary English, MAT Guidance, and Ed. D Doctorate Educational Administration. In his free time away from school he enjoys gardening. Dr. Koho has been teaching at Andrew Jackson for 7 years and we thank him and hope for many more years to come.





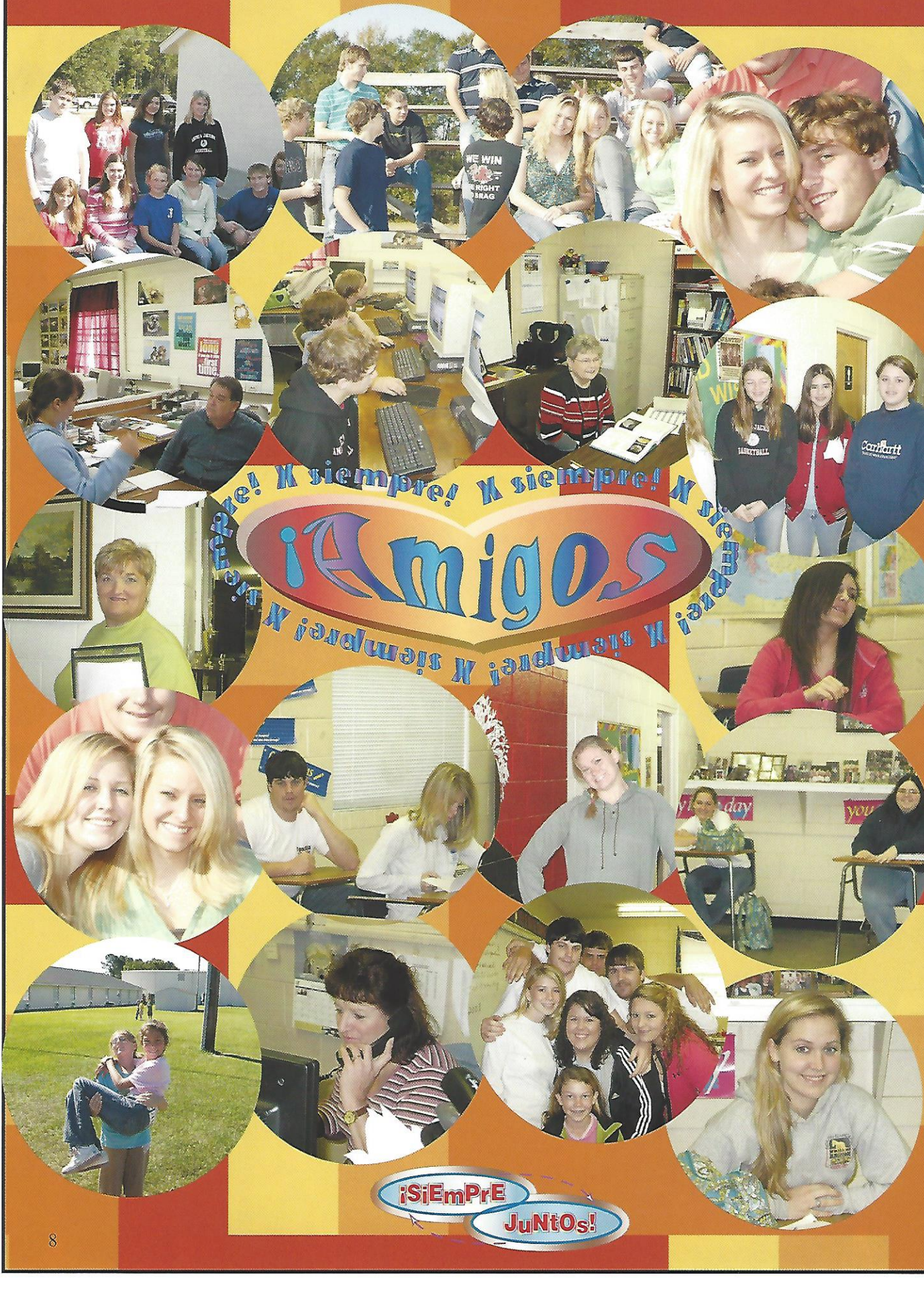
**DARE**  
TO BE  
**DIFFERENT!**











*¡Siempre! K siempre! K siempre! K siempre!*  
**¡Amigos**  
*¡Siempre! K siempre! K siempre! K siempre!*

**¡SiEmPrE**  
**JuNtOs!**

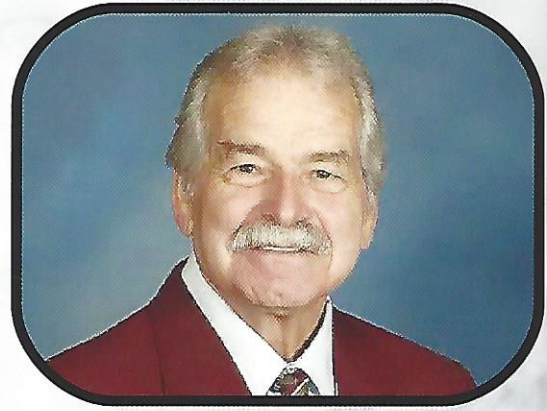






# Administration

William Brannen  
Headmaster



Penni Crider  
Administrative  
Assistant

Vonna Bennett  
Librarian/ P.E.



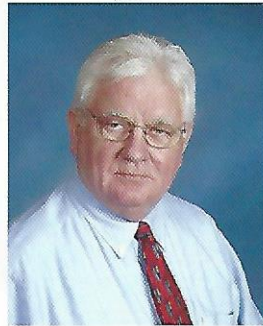
Amanda Elkins  
Canteen  
Director



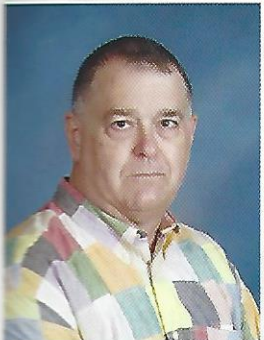
# Staff



Marie Lefvendahl  
Belinda Jones  
Ruth Way  
Sherly Mount



Joy Hughes  
Robin Grice  
Kirk Mixson  
Joette Hiers



Al Korhonen  
Dan Stroman  
McQuee Calloway  
Marsha Hughes

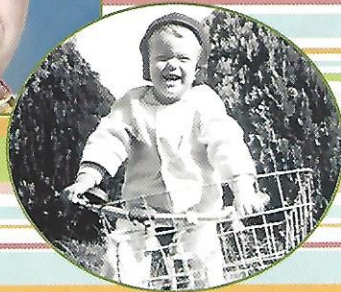
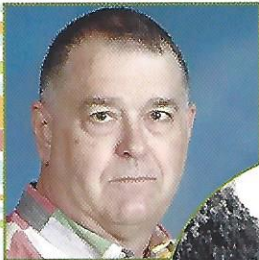


Paula Sprague

keeping it  
*Real*



# Teachers were once kids too...

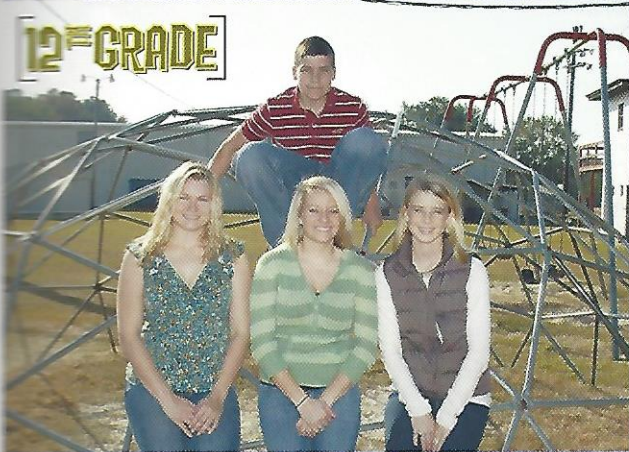


1st Row: Mrs. Marie, Ms. Robin & Mrs. Calloway  
 2nd Row: Mr. Dan, Mrs. Paula & Mrs. Marsha  
 3rd Row: Mr. Koho & Ms. Joy  
 4th Row: Mrs. Joette & Mrs. Belinda

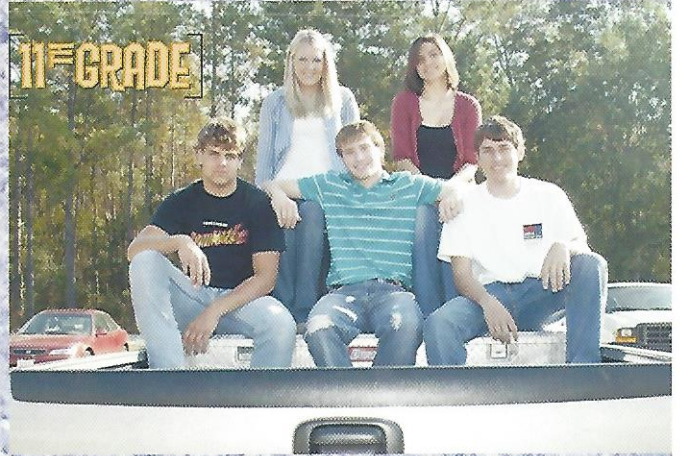




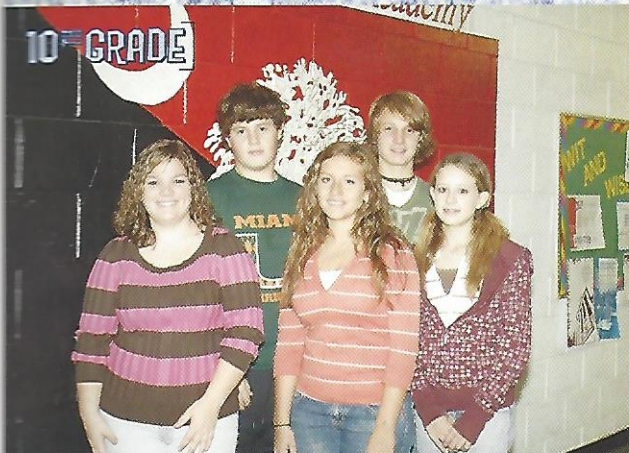
# Class Officers



President: Sara Richardson, Vice President: Erica Bessinger, Secartary: Lauren Bennett, Treasurer: Justin Rentz, Representative: Kristen Mixon



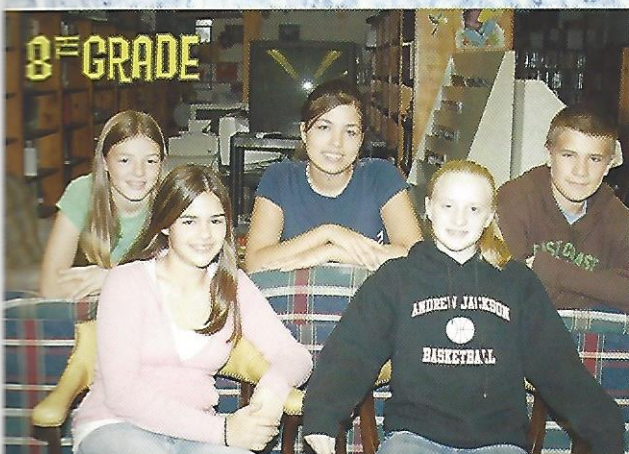
President: John Avant, Vice President: Ryan Fender, Secartary: Janie Godley, Treasurer: Ericka, Representative: Zac Barr



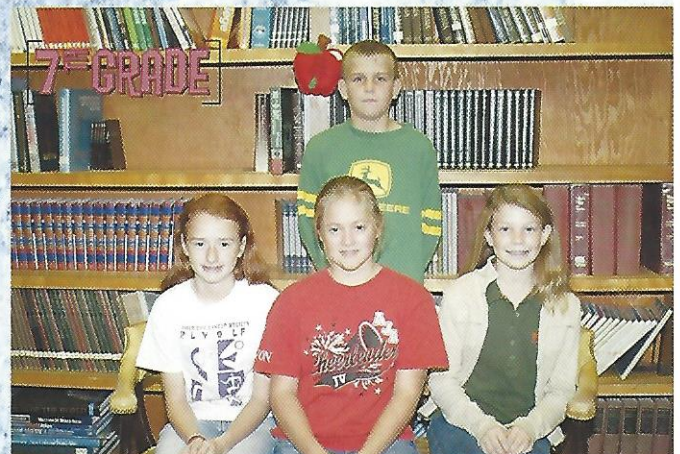
President: Matthew Beard, Vice President: Will McPhearson, Secartary: Erin McClain, Treasurer: Ashten Murray, Representative: Megan McFadden



President: Victoria McCallister, Vice President: Justin Long, Secartary: Ashley Freeman, Treasurer: Cassie Rice, Representative: Cortney Garcia



President: Laura Rentz, Vice President: Molly Cook, Treasurer: Madeline Elkins, Secartary: Travis Martin, Representative: Kirsten Holmen

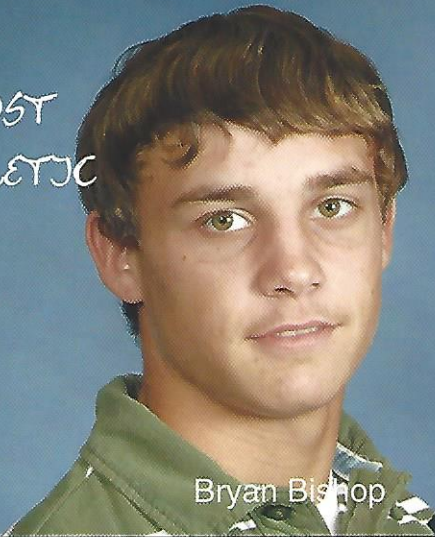


President: Brooke Barr, Vice President: Matthew Avant, Secartary Ashley McCormick, Treasurer: Hannah Platt Representative: Kasey Mixon



# SENIOR SUPERLATIVES

MOST  
ATHLETIC



Bryan Bishop

BEST  
LOOKING



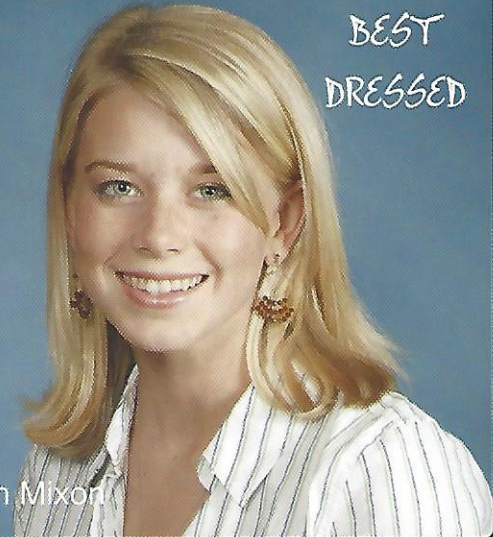
Erica Bessinger

BEST  
PERSONALITY



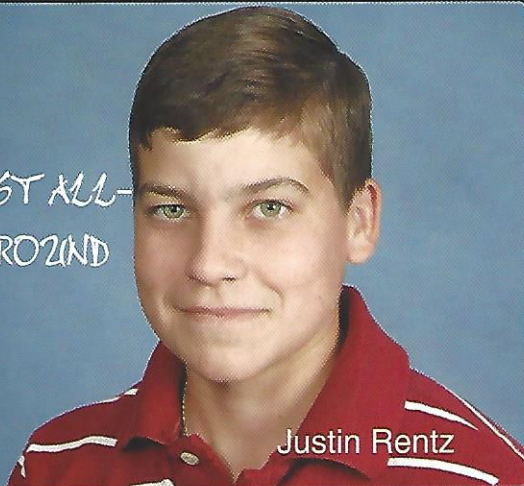
Amber Brown

BEST  
DRESSED



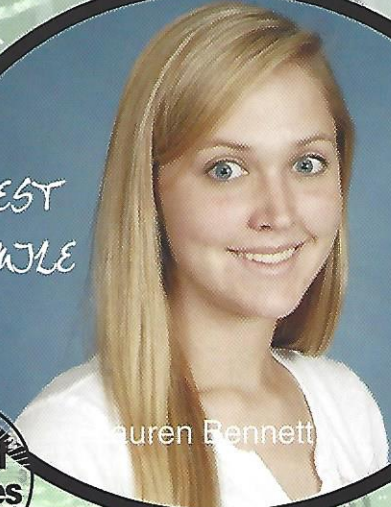
Kristen Mixon

BEST ALL-  
AROUND



Justin Rentz

BEST  
SMILE

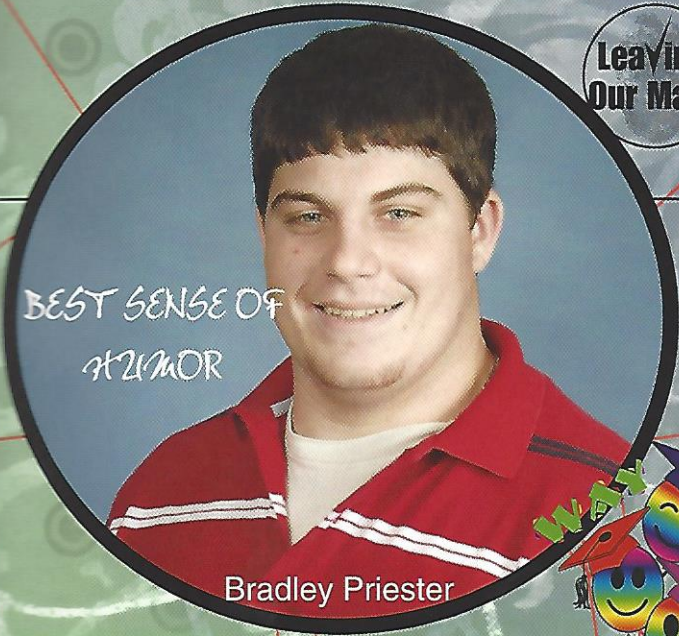


Lauren Bennett



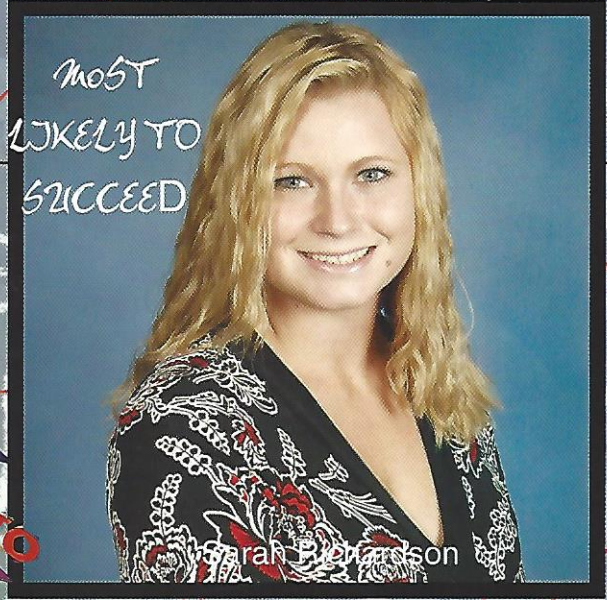


Leaving  
Our Mark



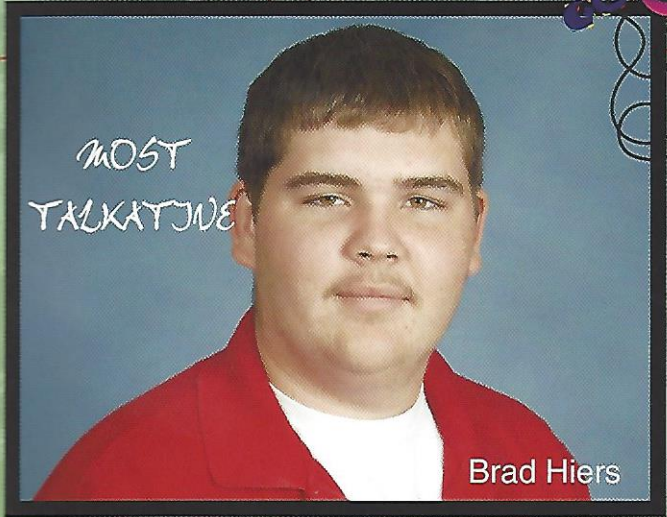
BEST SENSE OF  
HUMOR

Bradley Priester



MOST  
LIKELY TO  
SUCCEED

Sarah Richardson



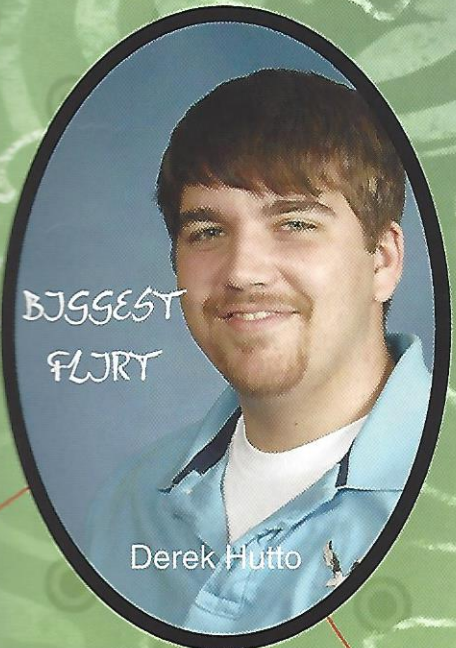
MOST  
TALKATIVE

Brad Hiers



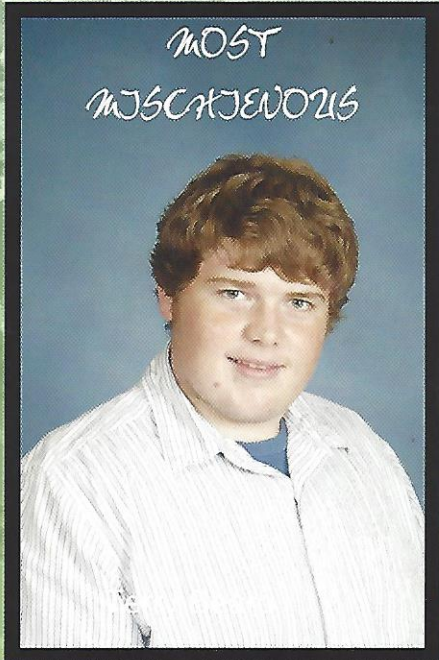
FRIENDLIEST

Tybee Stroman

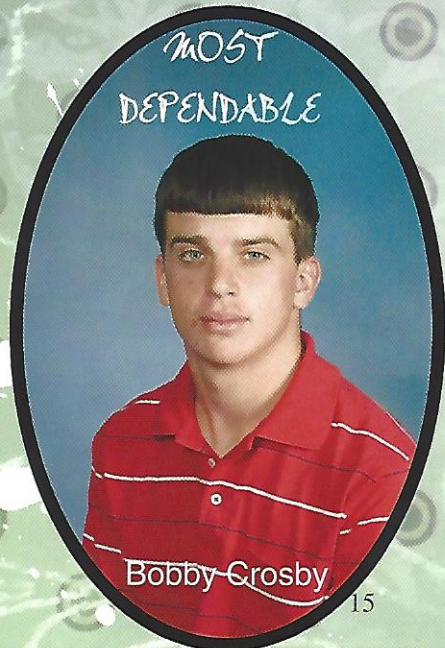


BIGGEST  
FLIRT

Derek Hutto



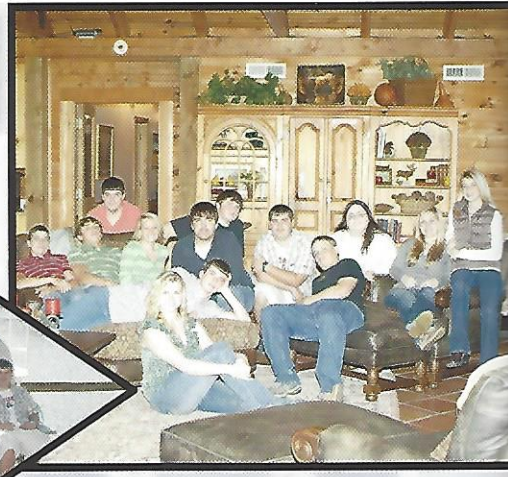
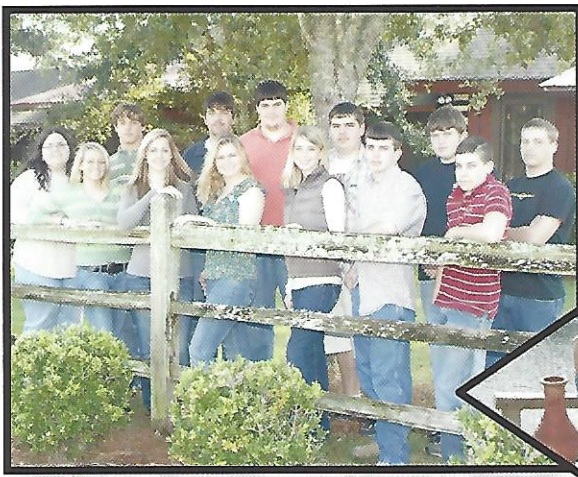
MOST  
MISCHIVIOUS



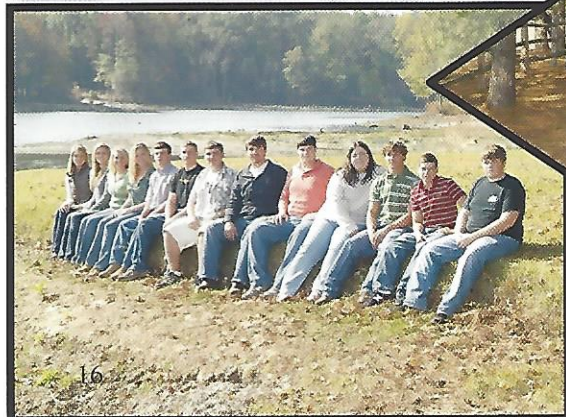
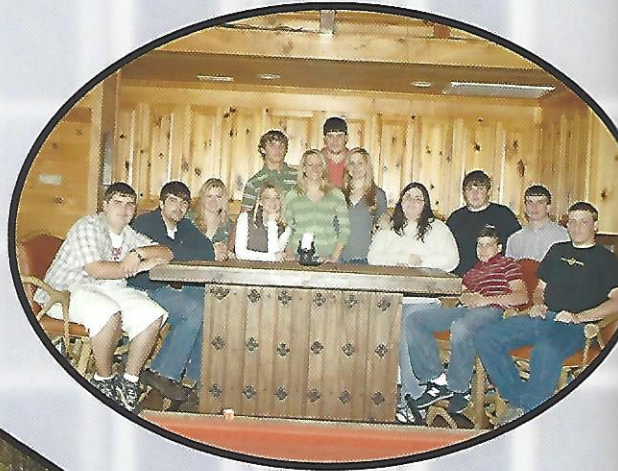
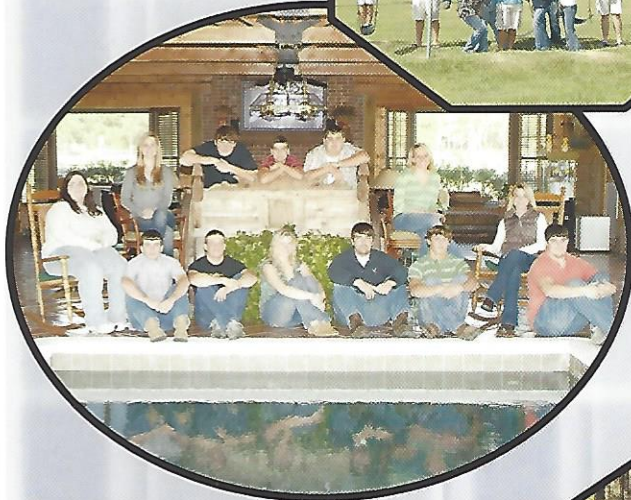
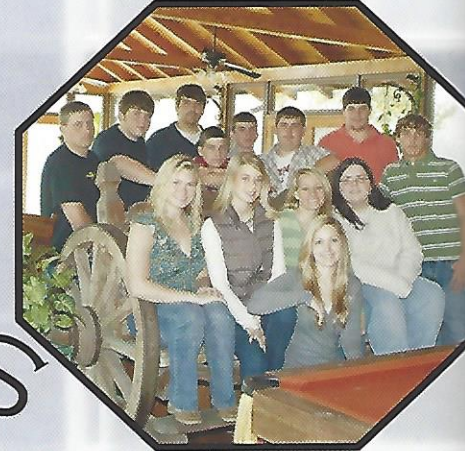
MOST  
DEPENDABLE

Bobby Grosby





# SENIORS



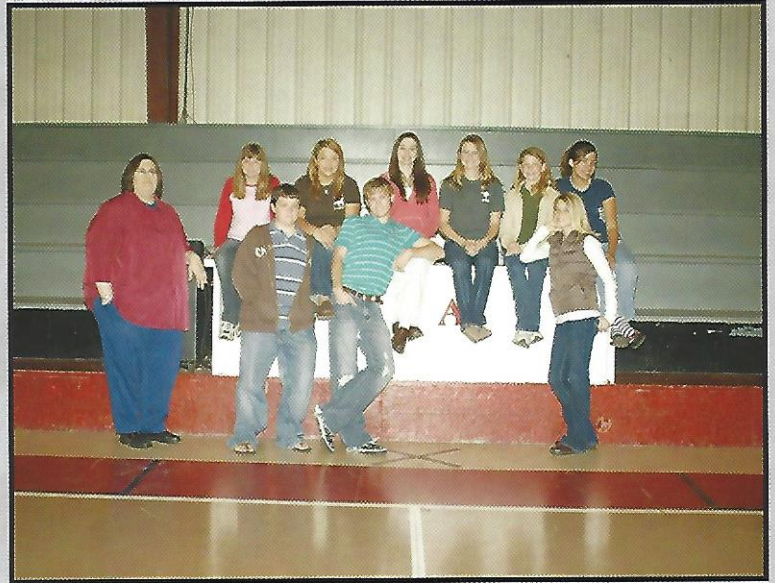
*Class 2008*





# "Clubs"

Back Row (L-R): Leslie Davenport, Courtney Garcia, Ashley Freeman, Victoria McAllister, Kasey Mixon, Kirsten Holmen. Front Row (L-R): Advisor- Joy Hughes, Brandon Simmons, Ryan Fender, & Editor- Kristen Mixon.  
Not in Picture: Hannah Platt



## Yearbook Staff

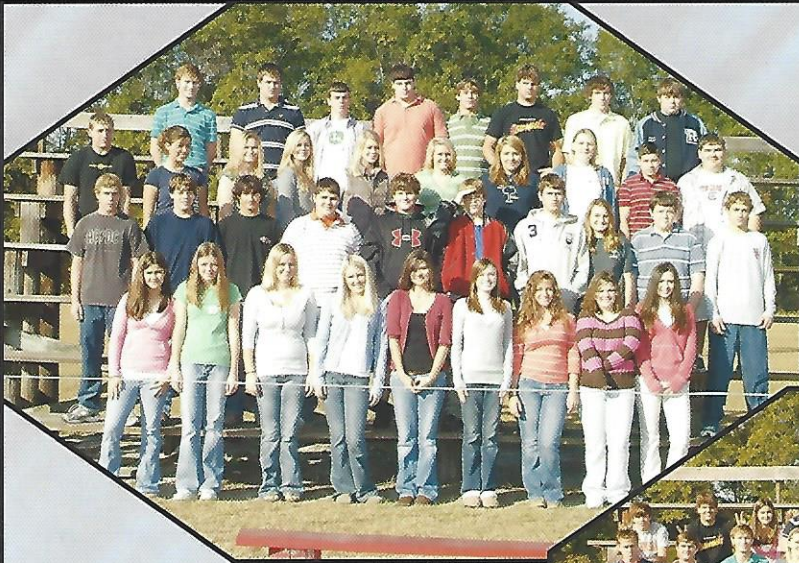


## Student Council



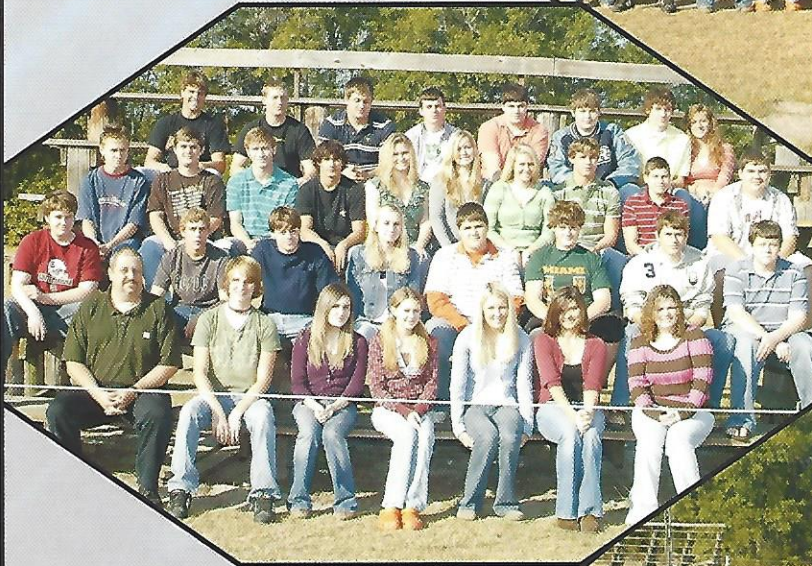
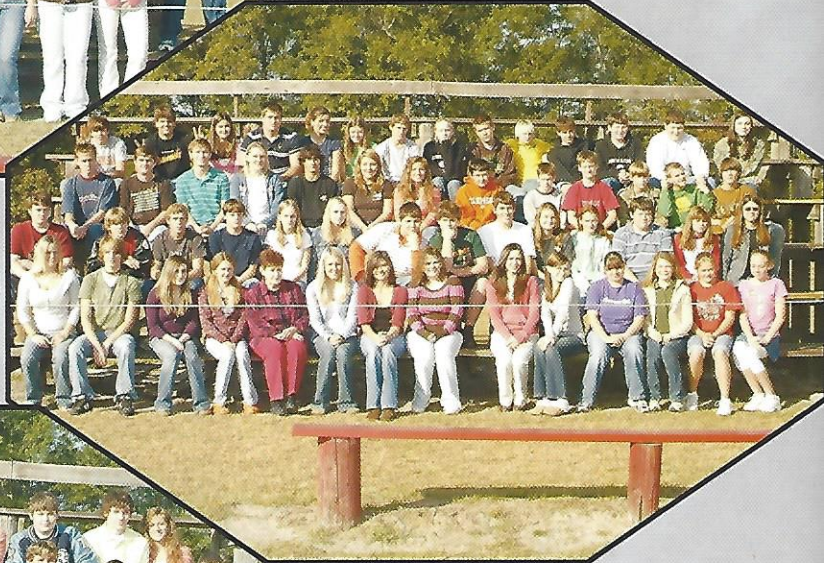


# CLUBS



Blockletter Club

History Club



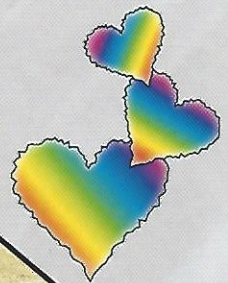
Spanish Club

Junior Who's Who



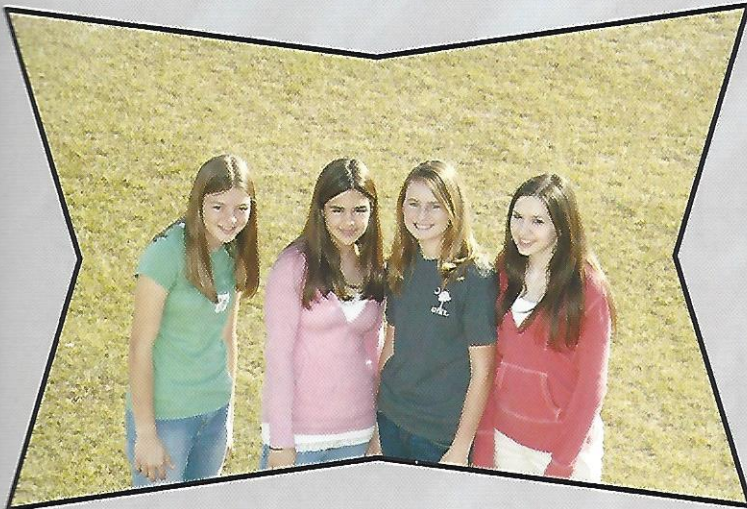


# Senior Beta Club



# Senior Beta Club Officers

# Junior Beta Club

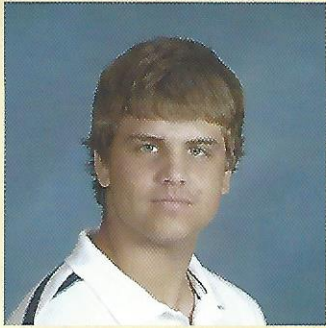


# Junior Beta Club Officers

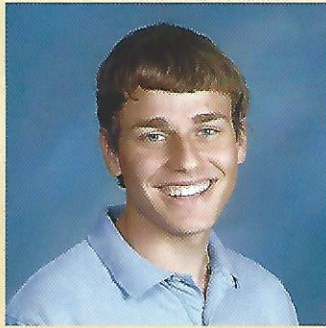
# Junior Leadership



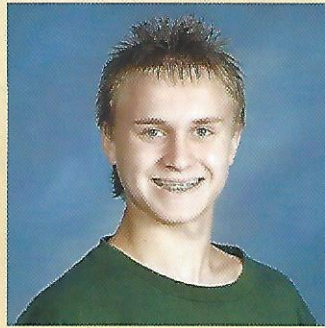
# Juniors



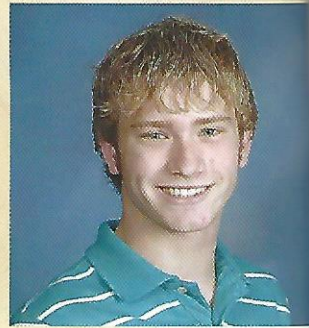
John Avant



Zachary Barr



Orry Cook



Ryan Fender



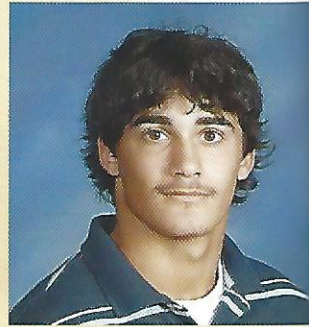
Janie Godley



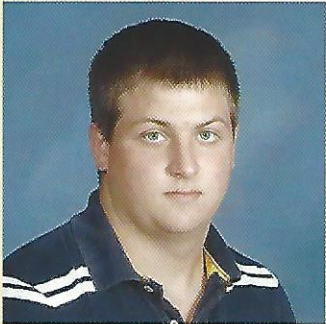
Joshua Gray



Ericka Johns



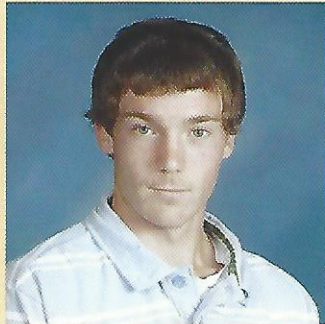
Christopher Long



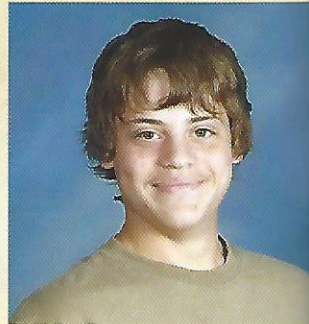
Mac Mathias



Brandon Simmons



Coty Smith

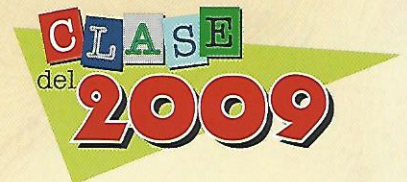


Jacob Stroman



Garrett Wolfe

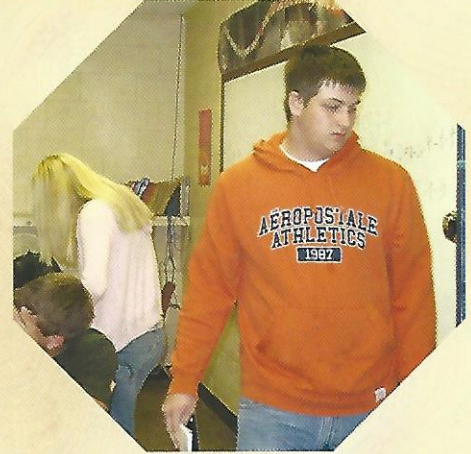
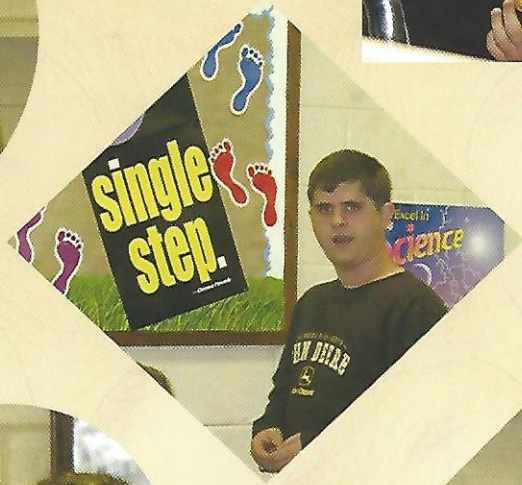
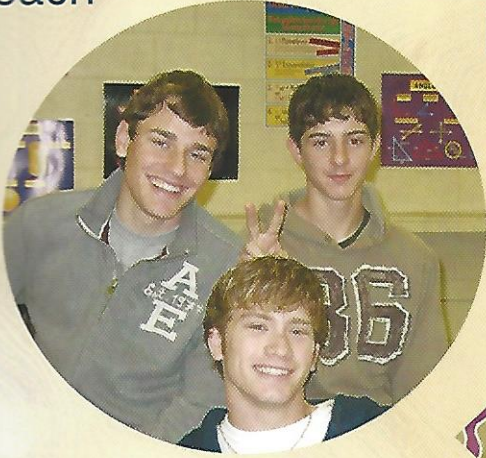
"Forget the rest... We're  
the best!"





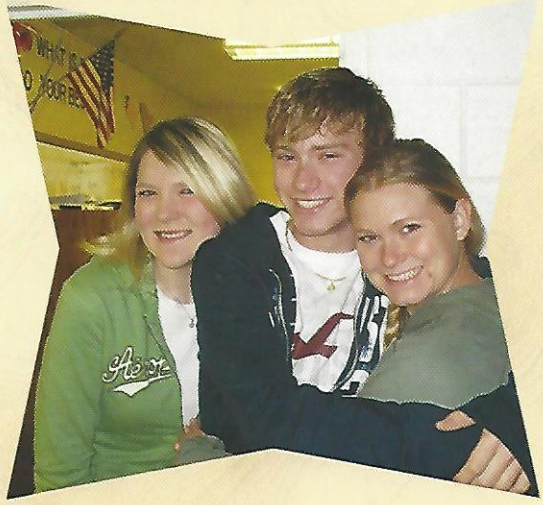
What beach is your favorite?  
61.5% said Edisto Beach

# where's the Party?



What do you look forward to most about being a senior?

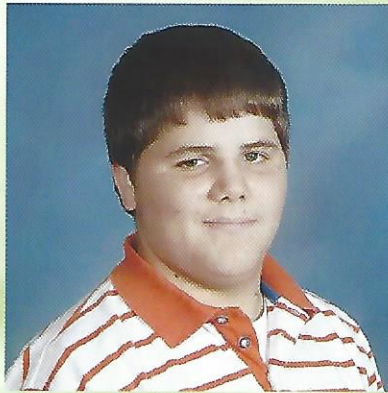
1. Last year of school!
2. Senior privilages.
3. Being "Big Dogs".
4. Senior prom.
5. Being looked up to.







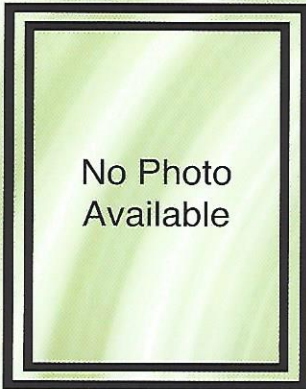
Matthew Beard



Sam Clayton



Kayce Hutto



Scarlett Kinard



Caroline Lindler



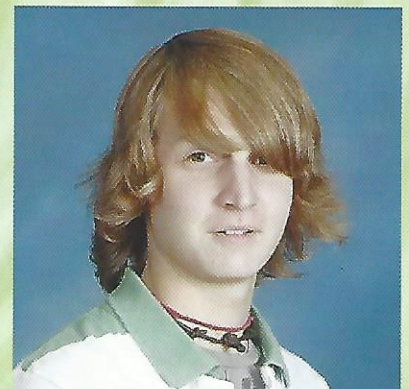
Nicholas Martin



Erin McClain



Megan McFadden



Will McPherson

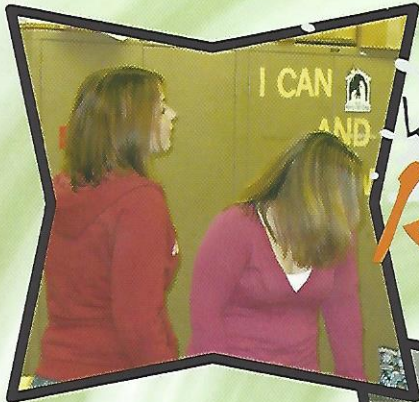


Ashten Murray

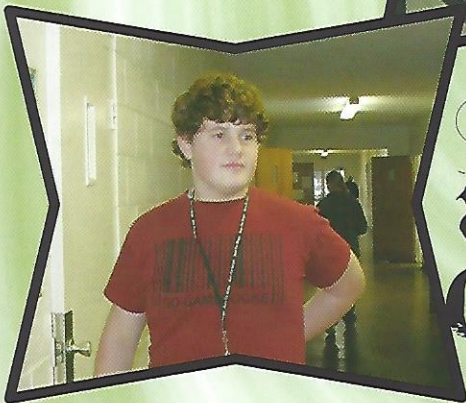
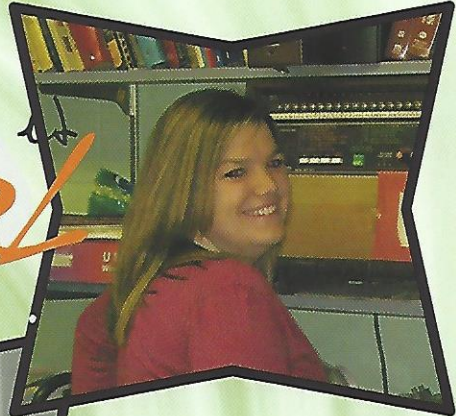
**WORDS**  
**are not enough**



# Sophomores



keeping it  
**Real**



GO  
**ADL**  
OUT!



Where is your favorite place to shop?

1. Hollister
2. American Eagle
3. Aeropostale





Daniele Bunton



Jessica Deer



A.J Elkins



Ashley Feeman



Cortney Garcia



Brooke Hogg



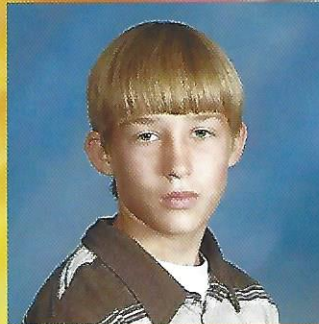
CodyHutson



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Justin Long



Austin Martin



Victoria McCallister



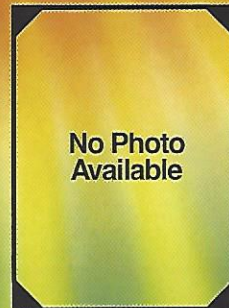
Rebecca Priester



Taylor Priester



Cassie Rice



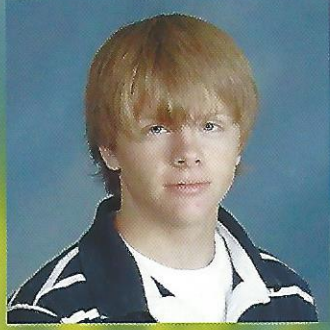
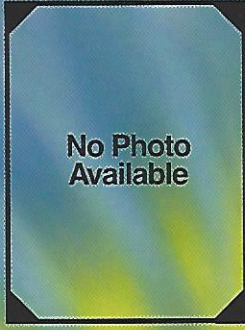
Christie Stanfield



Daniel Stroman

# FRESHMEN

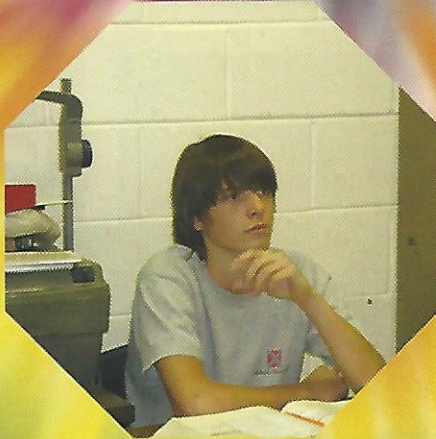
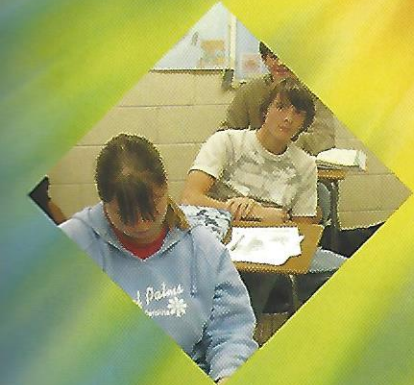
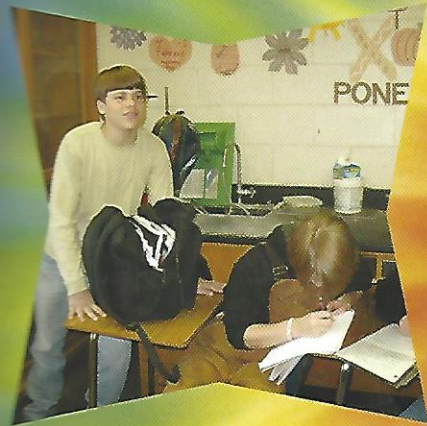
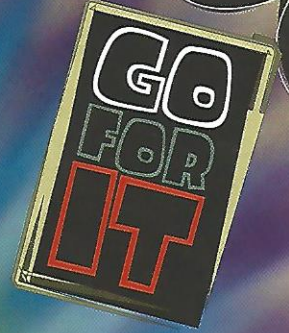




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Tyler Ward

Clay Zorn







Katelyn Brand



Molly Cook



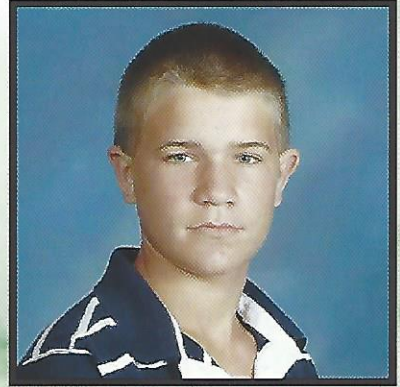
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Travis Martin



Laura Rentz



Nelson Rentz

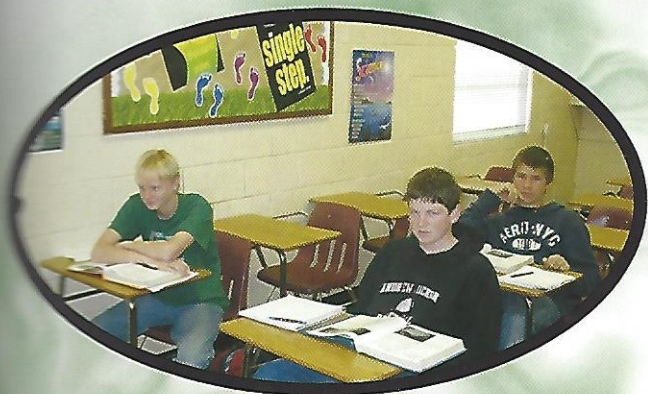


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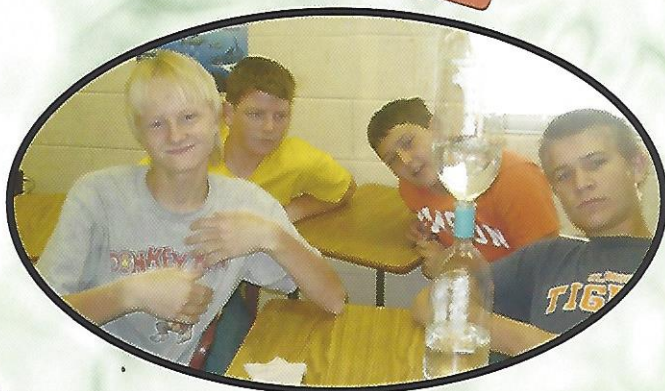
# 8TH GRADE



To the Xtreme



coolness

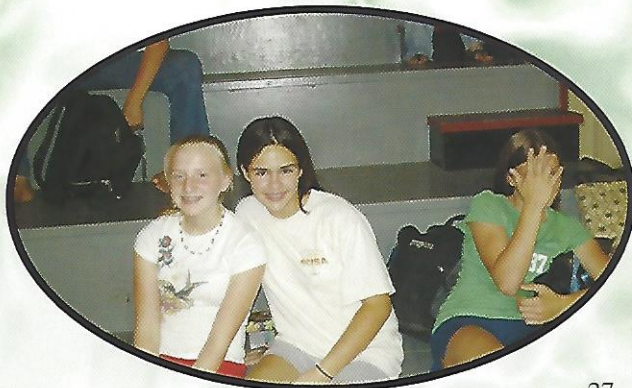


YES!



crossing the lines

SPOT ON!





# 7th Grade



Matthew Avant



Brooke Barr



Leslie Davenport



Amber Gainey



James George



Michael George



Victoria Jolly



Ashley McCormick



Kasey Mixon



Hannah Platt



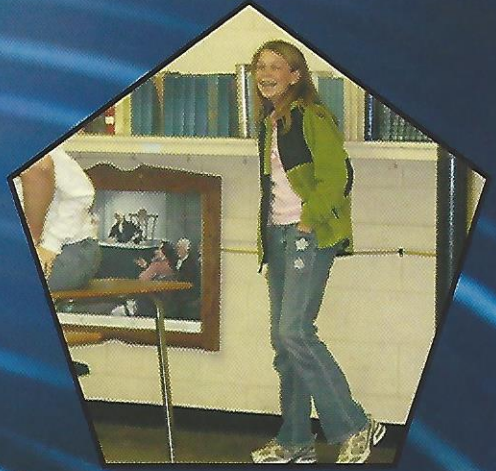
Thomas Jefferson- "I'm a great believer in luck, and I find that the harder I work, the more I have of it."



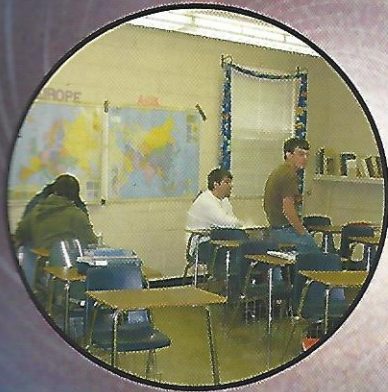
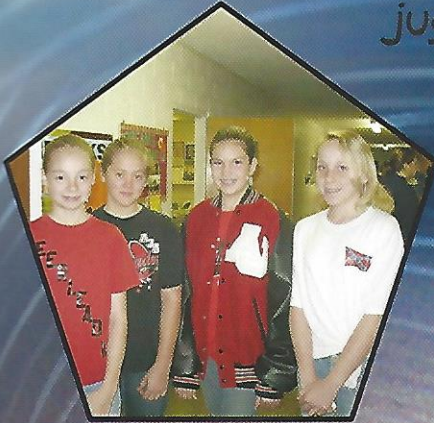
How do you like the High school end?

"I like it because we get to change classes".

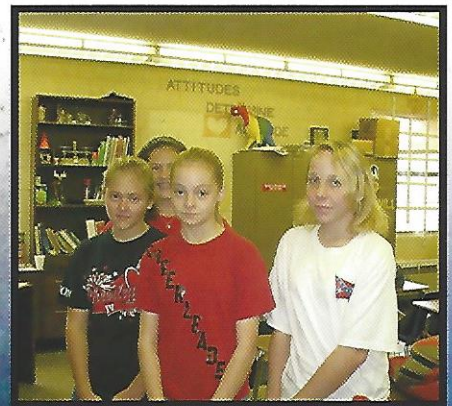
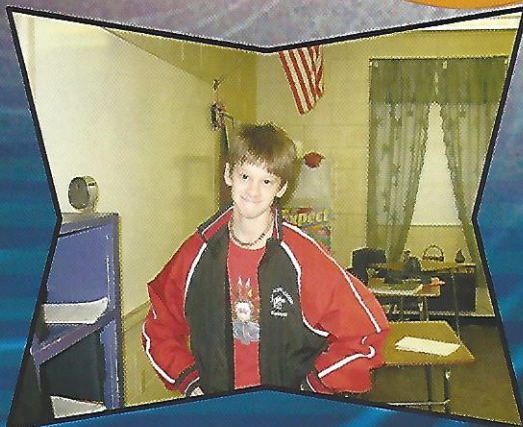
"I like the grammar end better. It's so different."



just SAY IT!



GO FOR IT!

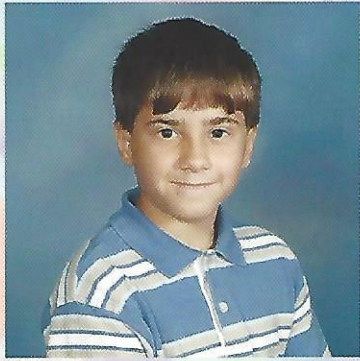


What do you miss about the grammar school?

"I miss my grammar school friends and recess."

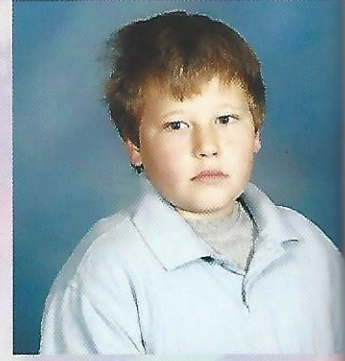
"In grammar school we get to eat earlier."





Terrel Bennett

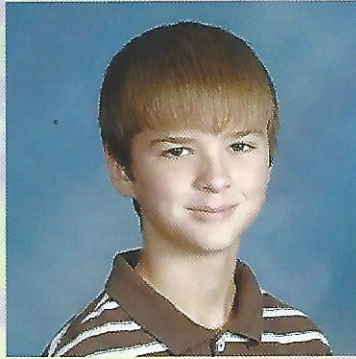
# 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE



Justin Bonnette



Preston Bradley



Wayne Fail



Pressley George



Gayle Mathias



Kenneth McCallister



Mari Sutton



Schyler Waltz

What do you want to be when you grow up?

Terrell- 18 Wheeler Driver

Justin- Cop

Preston- Engineer

Wayne- Lawyer

Pressley- Vet Assistant

Gayle- Lawyer

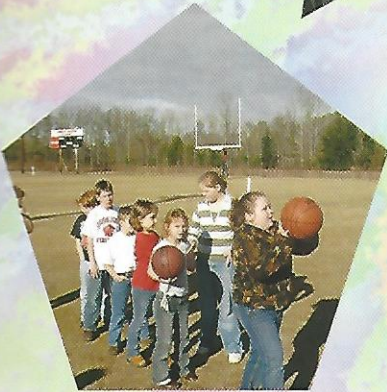
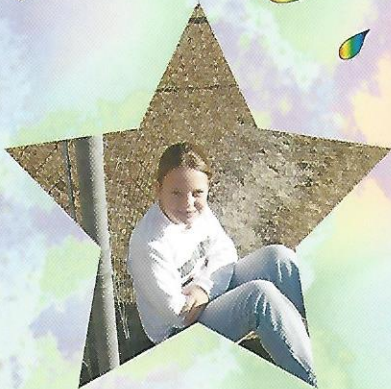
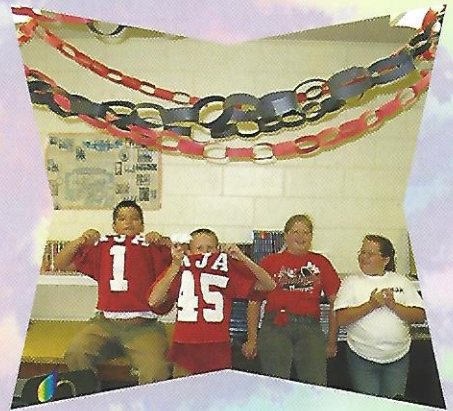
Kenneth-Vet

Mari- Dentist

Schyler- Mechanic



# ~~Class Candids~~



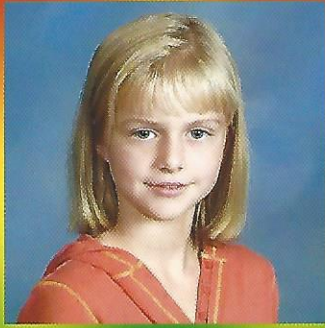
What do you look forward to the most on being on the highschool end?

Wayne Fail- Changing Classes  
Kenneth McCallister- No little kids to bug you!!

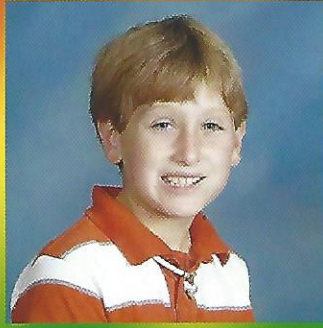




# 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE



Addison Bowers



Michael Camp



Chay Carter



Cassidy Hall



Clint Herndon



Sarah Leonard



Emily McCallister



Elizabeth McPhers



Heather Platt



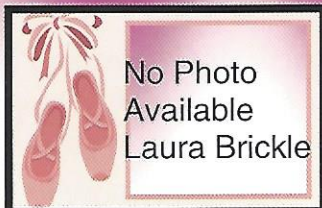
Hannah Rentz



Alexis Sease



Hunter Waltz

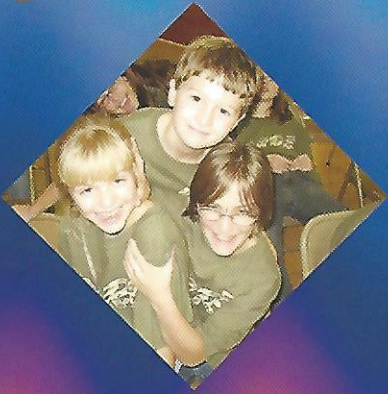
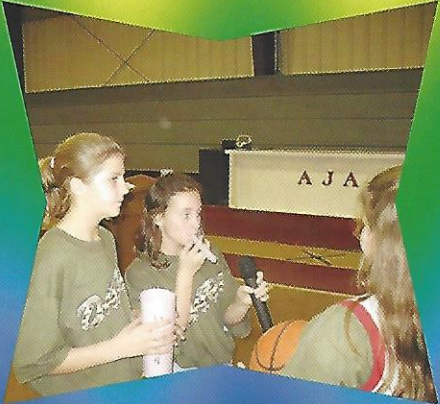
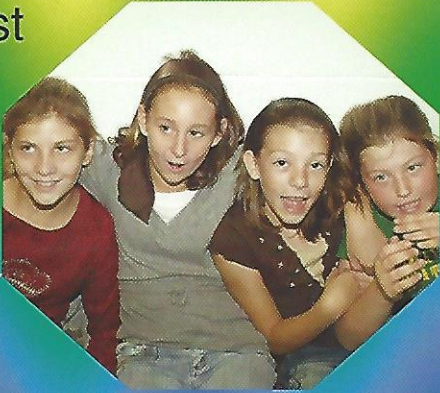


Slightly more fun than  
a barrel of monkeys!



# What do you want to be when you grow up?

- Emily- Masseuse
- Sarah- Horse Trainer
- Hunter- Lawyer
- Hannah- Horse Trainer
- Elizabeth- Teacher
- Clint- Farmer
- Chay- Doctor
- Cassidy- Vet
- Heather- Artist
- Hunter Camp- Solider
- Addison- Entomologist
- Lexi- Trainer





# 4TH GRADE



Riley Ackerman



Anna Carter



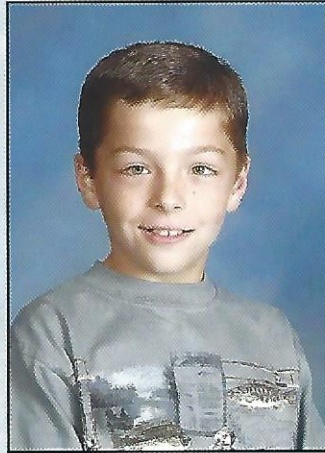
Whitney Gibson



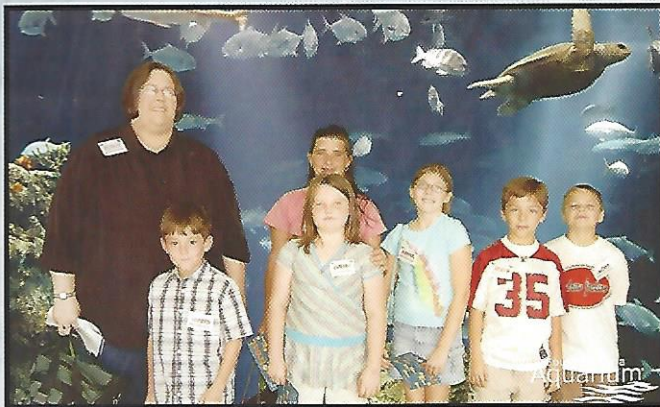
Sullivan Lindler



Job Mathias



Joseph Stanfield



(Left) Miss Joy & her 4th Graders on a field trip to the SC Aquarium in Charleston!

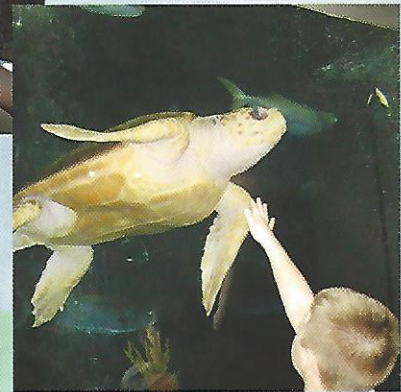


"All our dreams can come true - IF we have the courage to pursue them."  
...Walt Disney

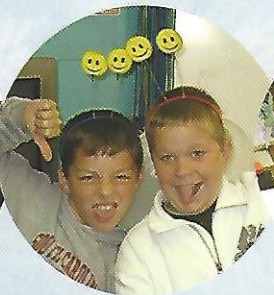
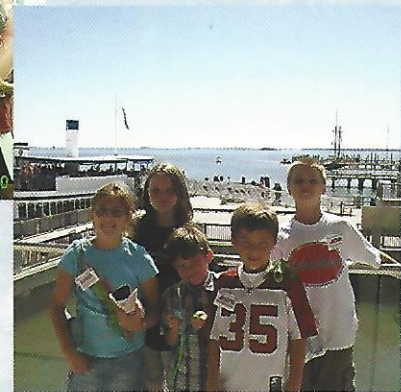
What we'll remember most  
about this year in the 4th  
grade:



We went on a treasure  
hunt and found gold.  
We even made our own  
pirate costumes!



We made candy apples.  
We made lots of fun art  
projects like frog  
thermometers and tissue  
paper animals!







Michael Bellamy



Mikayla Folk



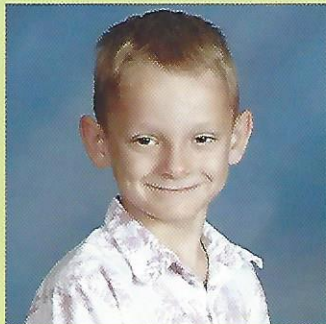
Kayla Gunnels



Emily Hall



Carey Herndon



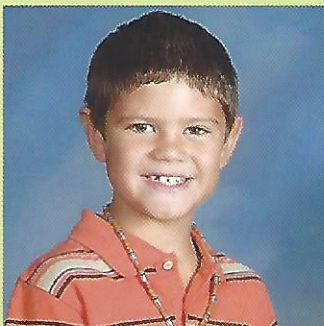
Cody Jolly



Sloan Lindler



Caitlin McCallister



Dylan Platt



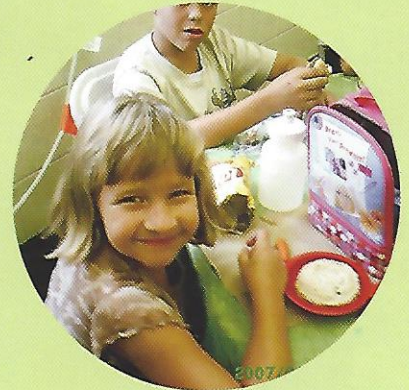
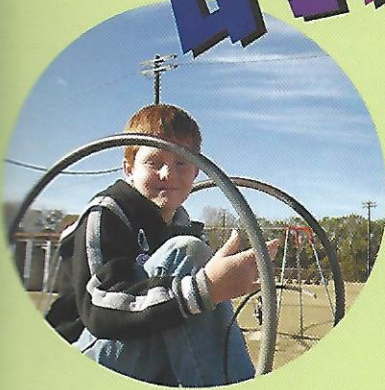
Mary Stanfill

# 3<sup>rd</sup> GRADE

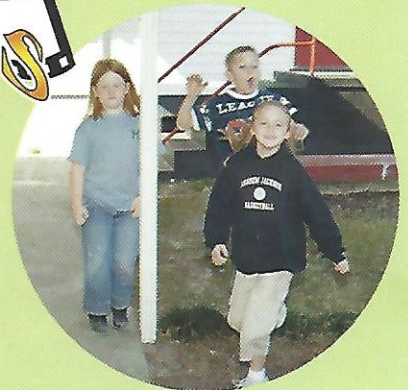
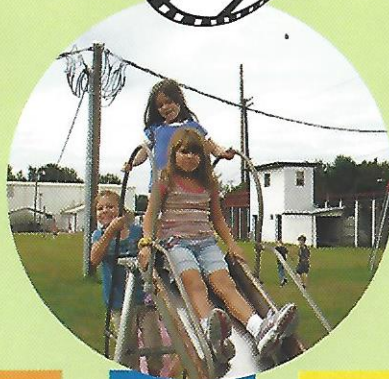
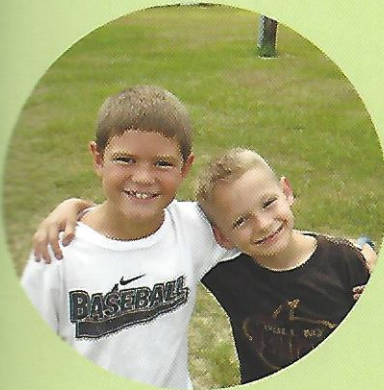




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# CELEBS



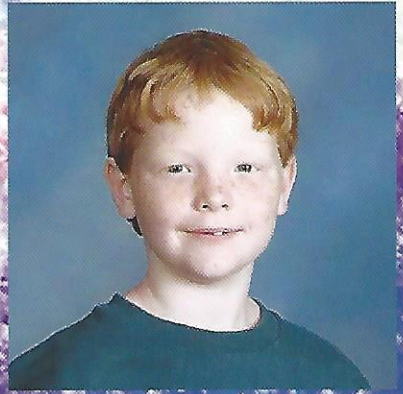




Bailey Ackerman



Grayson Carter



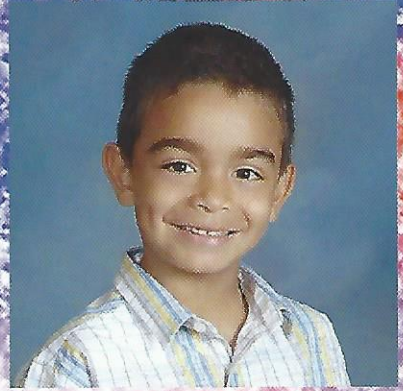
Josep Davenport



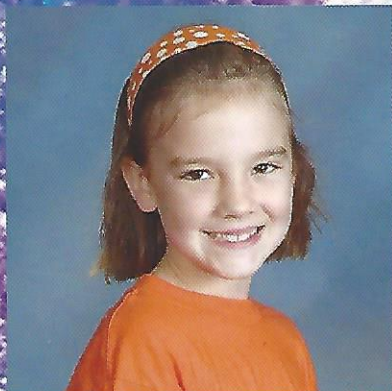
Savanna Gibson



Austin Jones



Luis Nunez

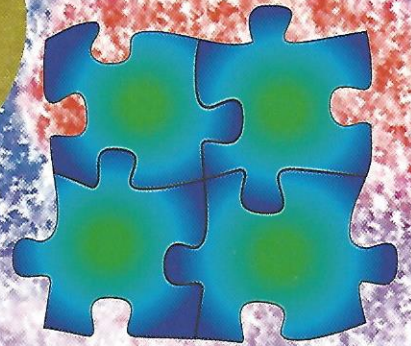
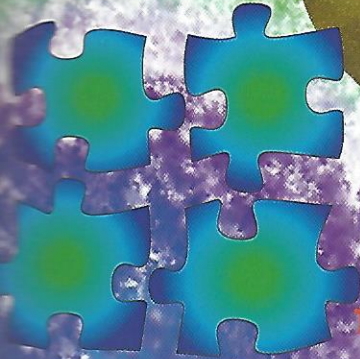


Gracie Sutton

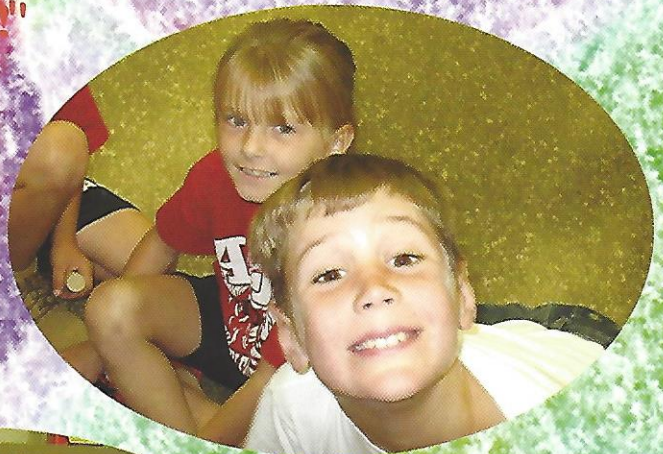
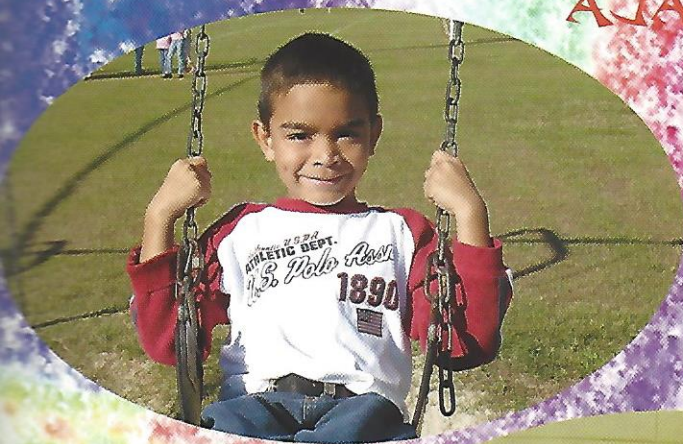


# 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADE





"WE ARE GOING TO BE  
THE CLASS TO LOOK OUT FOR  
AJA!"





# 1ST GRADE



Phillip Carter



Brittany Folk



Macy Martin



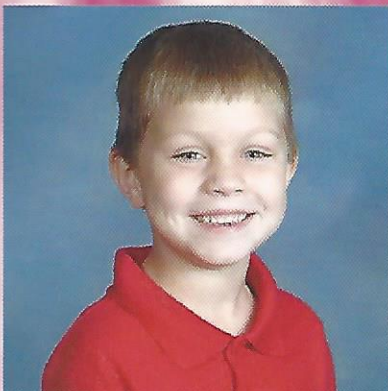
Jillian Murray



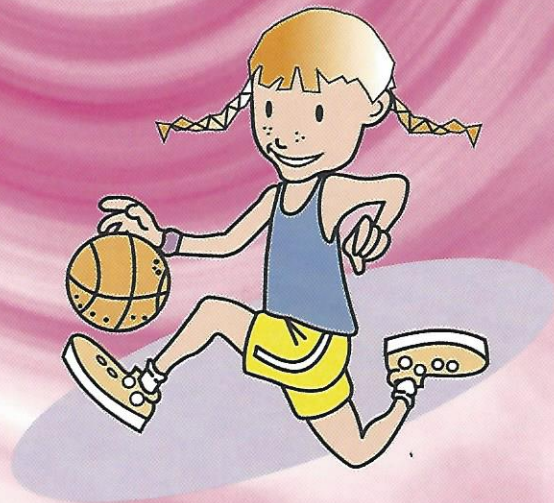
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Kaitlyn Rentz



Zack Tucker





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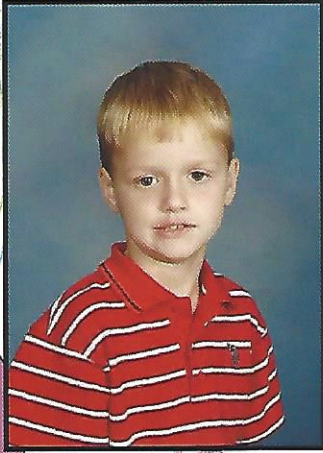
 Sweet



# KINDERGARTEN



Bryson Ackerman



Bradley Fail



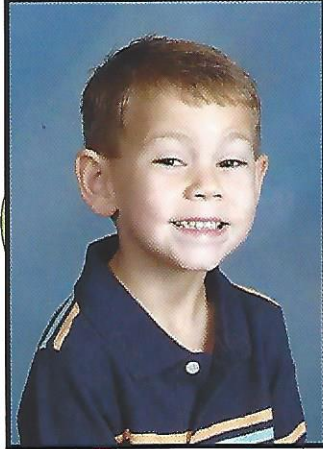
Bailey Gunnells



Bryce Hughes



Marymarks Leonard



Colyn Peek



Trey Pulaski



Bryce Waltz





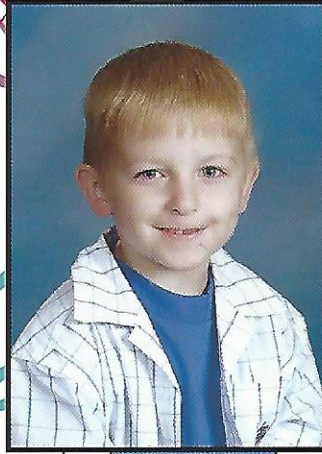
# PRE-K



Alex Bennett



Brian Carter



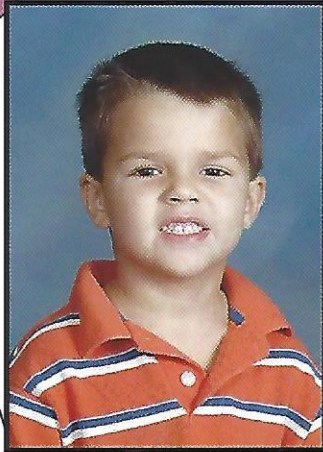
Austin Dyches



Kearsen Jones



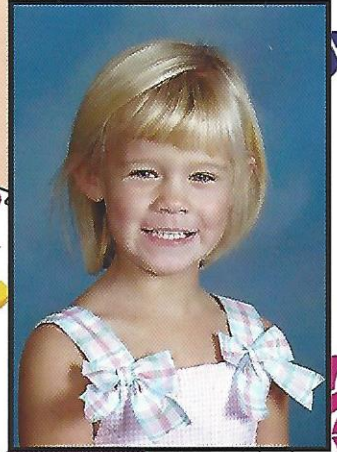
Peyton Lindler



Barrett Rentz



Sydney Rentz



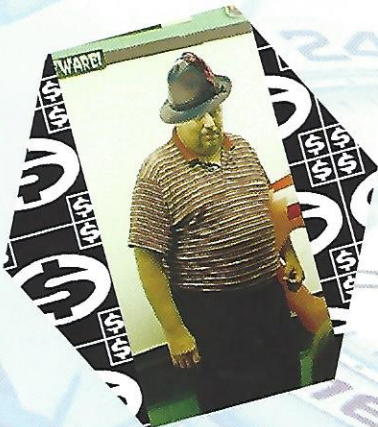
Morgan Stanfill



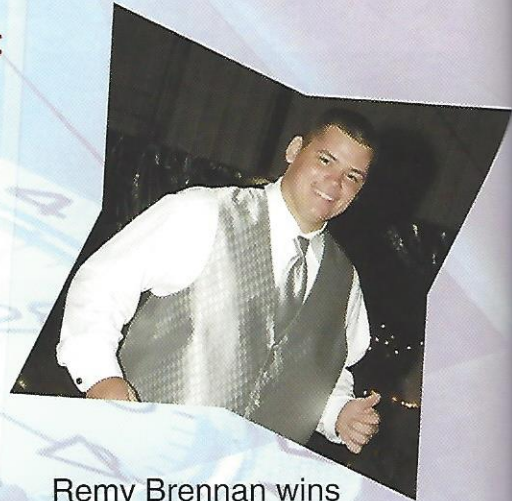


# Twenty Years from now.....

President of the USA:  
Victoria McAllister

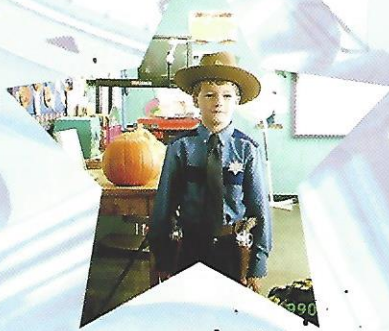


Clint Herndon  
becomes the new  
Sheriff of Hazard  
County!



Mr. Dan went on the tv game show "Deal or No Deal" in the year 2013 and won a Million Dollars! He's good friends now with Donald Trump!

Remy Brennan wins  
the tv show, "So  
You Think You Can  
Dance!"



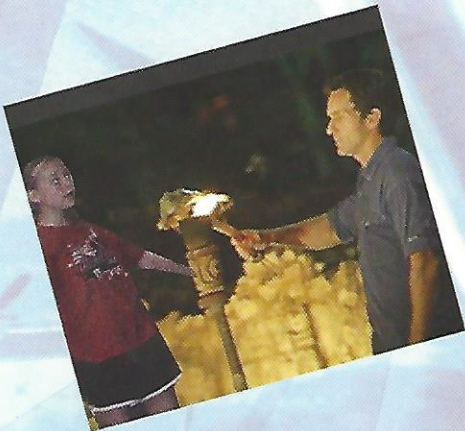
## Leaving Our Mark

Job Mathias is a  
happily married farmer  
with 14 children!



Sullivan Lindler fulfilled his  
life-long dream of becoming  
a dolphin trainer at Sea  
World in Florida!

Kristen Mixon won  
"American Idol" in the  
year 2010 and became a  
famous recording artist!



Victoria Jolly was the  
youngest female ever to win  
SURVIVOR in 2012.



Principal at AJA:  
Hunter Waltz



Mrs. Marie & Mrs. Belinda won 1<sup>st</sup>  
Place in the "Amazing Race" on T  
and became so famous, they no  
make more money than Oprah!





Zack Barr



Cortney Garcia



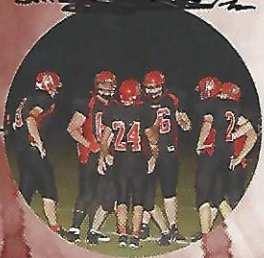
Victoria McAllister



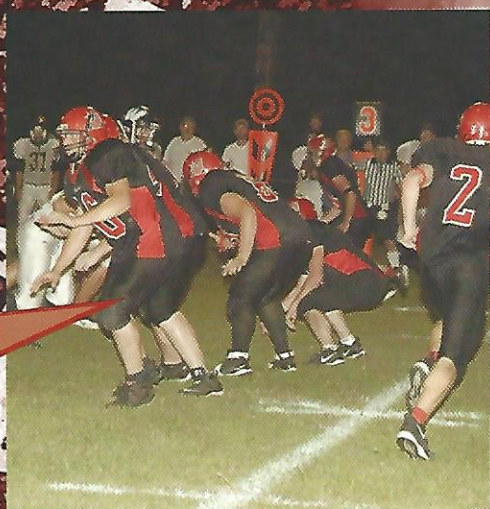
Michael George

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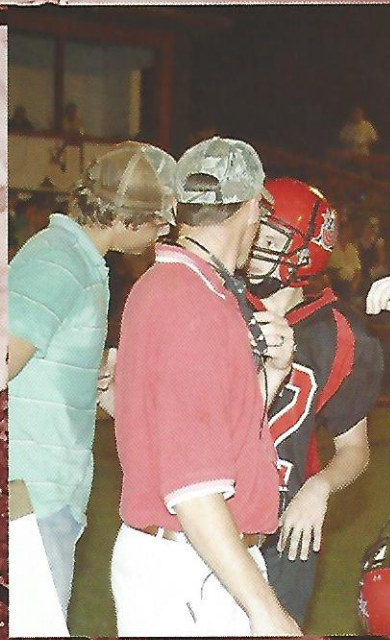
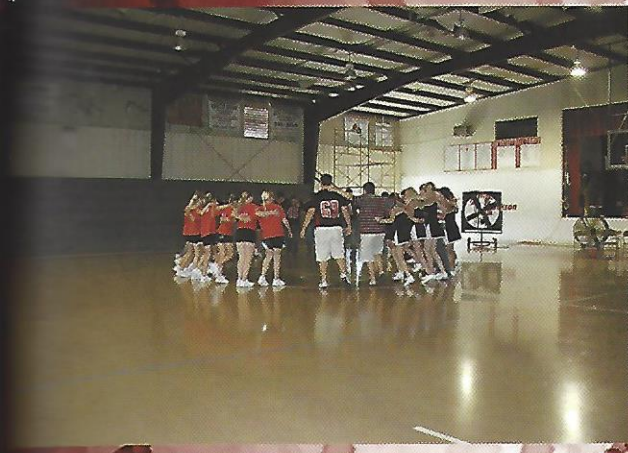




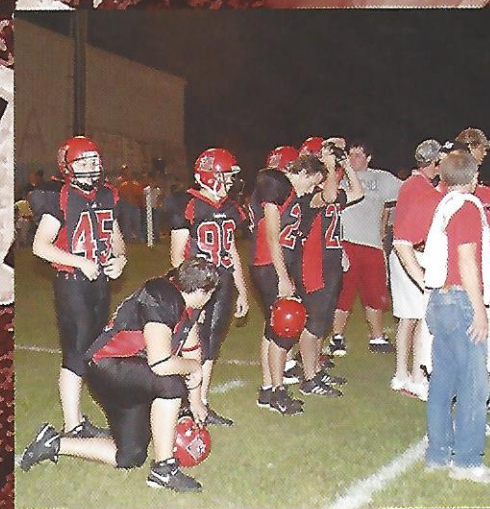
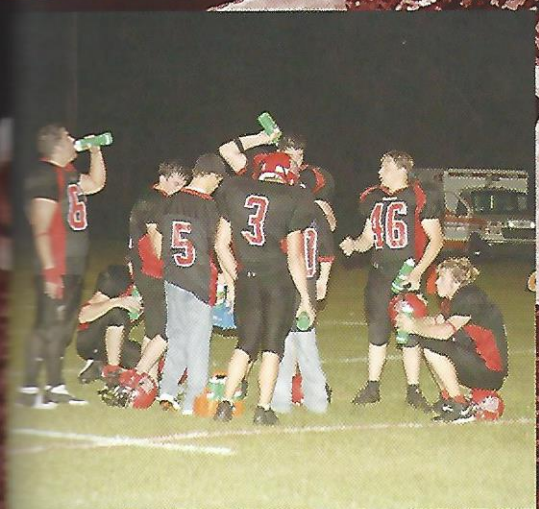
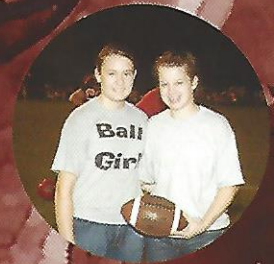
GO TEAM







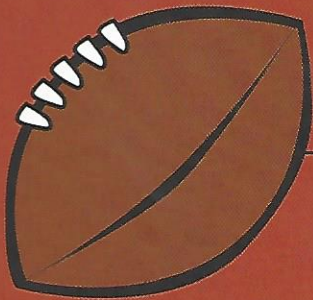
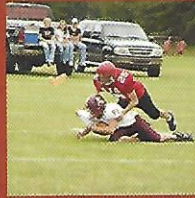
# VARSITY FOOTBALL 2007







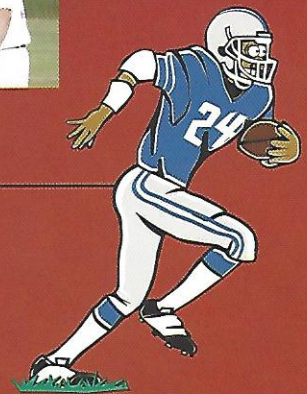
# JV Football 2007





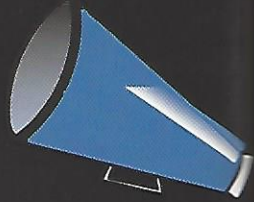
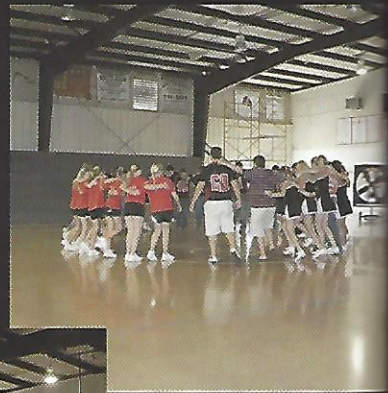


# glory days



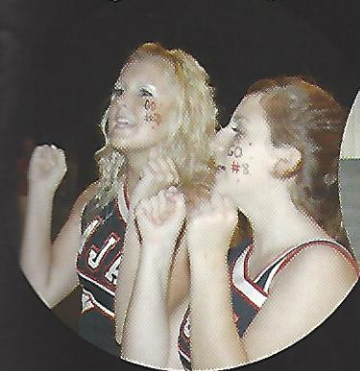
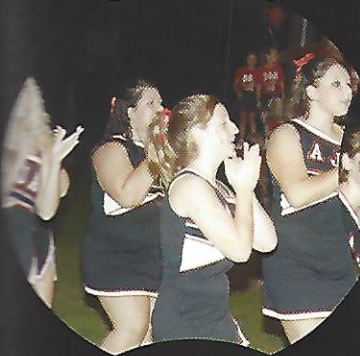


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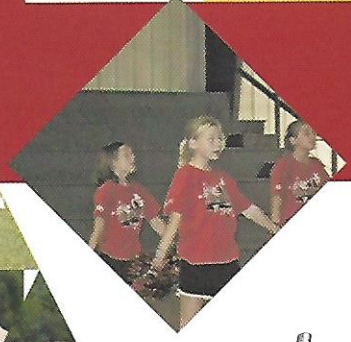
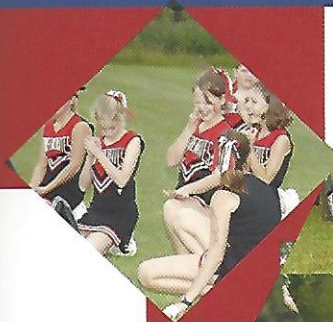
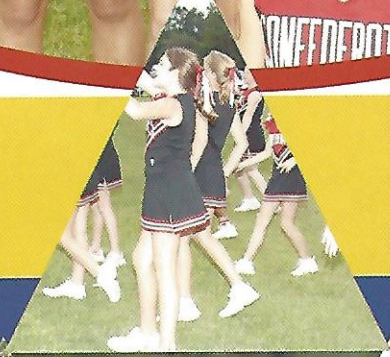
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# CHEERLEADING





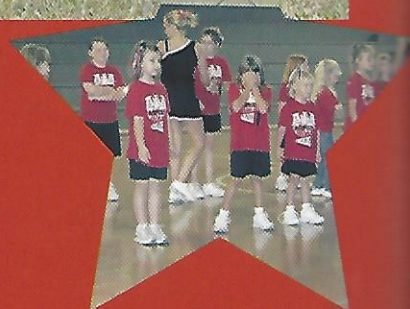
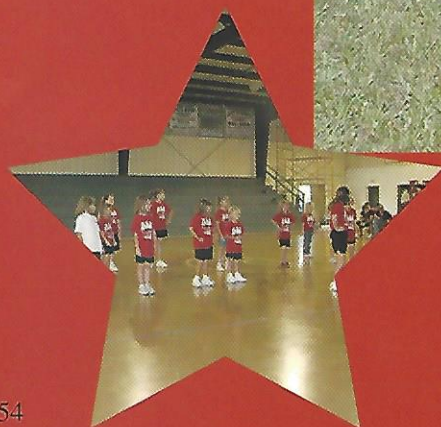


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# MIDGET CHEERLEADERS





*standing:*  
 Coach Wandy  
 Hannah Platt  
 Megan McFadden  
 Madeline Elkins  
 Lara Rentz  
 Brooke Barr

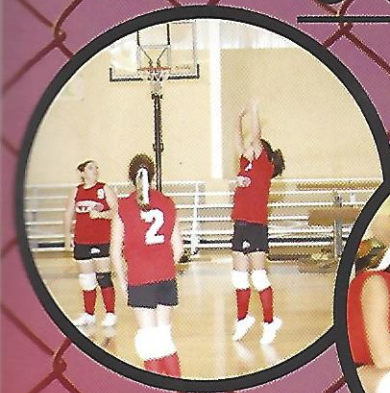


*kneeling:*  
 Ashley Freeman  
 Kirsten Hollman  
 Danielle Buntion  
 Victoria  
 McAllister

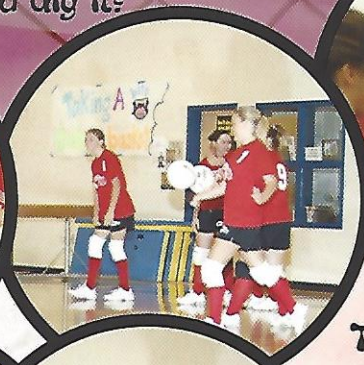
# Lady Confederate Volleyball 2007

*Look at that girl  
 jump !!*

*Girls, I hope you  
 are listening to  
 Mrs. Wandy??*

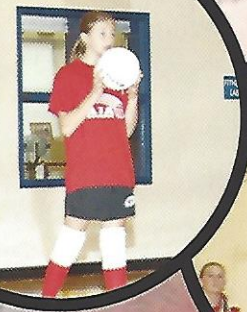


*Can you dig it?*



*Lets go TEAM !!*

*These two girls mean  
 serious business ....*



*Is that Brooke giving Laura  
 a lesson on how to play  
 volleyball?*



# Varsity Girls Basketball

~~2008~~



*Coach Donald, Erica Bessinger, Lauren Bennett, Kristen Mixon  
Ashley Freeman, Janie Godley, Cortney Garcia, Victoria McCallister  
Megan McFadden, Ashten Murray*

During my four years on varsity I learned that even if you were small and did not have but 5 people on the team, you still could achieve any of your goals. We never made it to the state championship game but the good thing is we never gave up. Mr. Donald would at times get angry at us but that would just make us want to prove to him we could listen and do what he says. I always played to the fullest and since I am a senior I have learned to appreciate my coaches as well as my teammates.

Kristen

This was my first year in basketball. I have learned so much about teamwork & even though I ran like a pony, I still had a great time!

Lauren

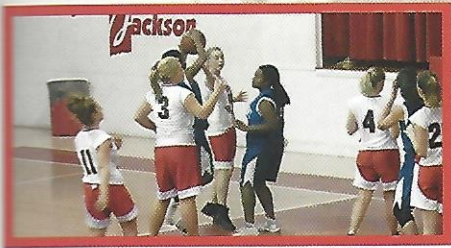


*Lady Confederate Seniors  
Kristen #13, Lauren #1, Erica #4*

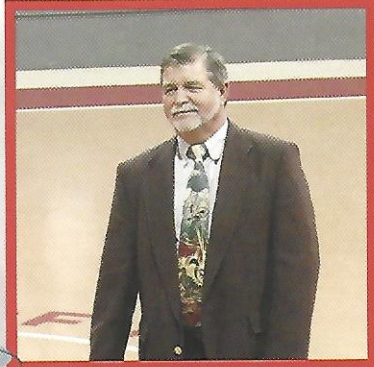
I have been playing varsity for the past 4 years and let me tell you, it is a whole different Ballgame. This was the first year our team has had more than 5 players. We had to go from playing an entire game and wearing ourselves out to having a Really great team to depend on. Sometimes we had our ups and our downs but when it came down to it we came together. Even though we did not win all our games, we still lost and won as a team. Memories from this year will stay with me forever. So thanks to all my teammates and my coaches.

Erica





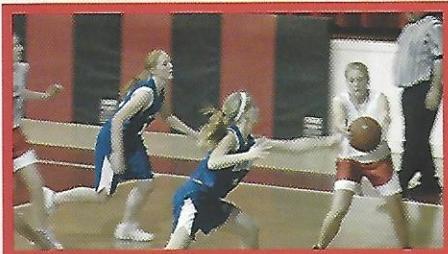
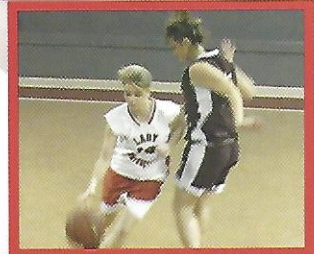
MIND  
BODY  
Spirit



intense



intuition



no  
regrets





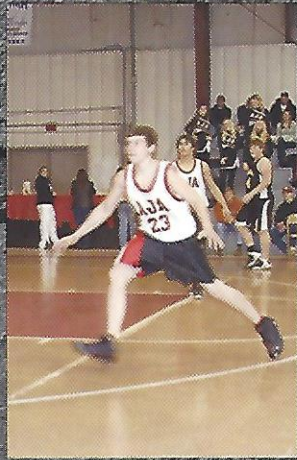
AND THE CROWD GOES  
**WILD!**

# Varsity Boys





FOR  
OUT



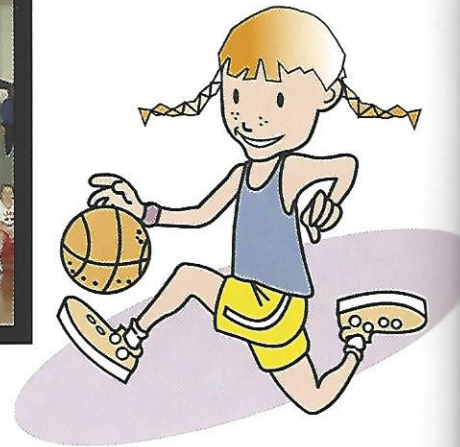
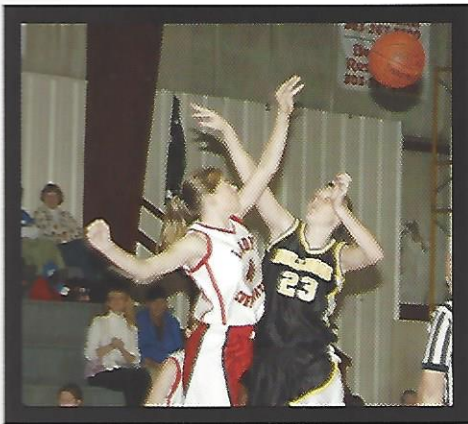
# Basket ball



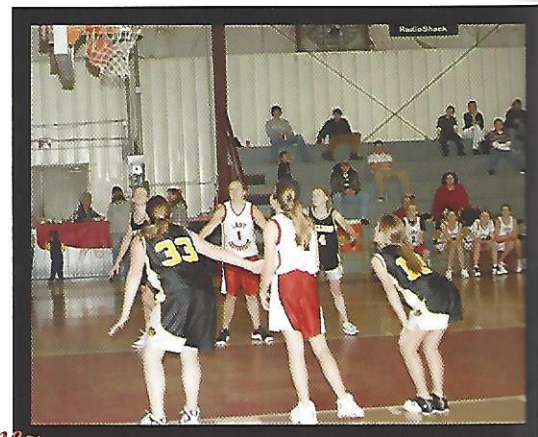




*Standing: Coach Heather, Brooke Barr, Lillie Gore, Chay Carter, Kasey Mixon, Coach Randy Knelling; Emily McCallister, Hannah Platt, Heather Gore, Madeline Elkins, Danielle Bunton, Laura Rentz; Floor: Cassidy Hall, Hannah Rentz, Victoria Jolly, Mari Sutton, Pressley George, Addison Bowers*



**\*\*Leap Madeline Leap\*\***



*left: Get the BALL Kasey!!  
top: Take it to the HOOP Madeline~  
right: Get ready to rebound GIRLS*



# Junior Varsity Girls

○ ○ ○ ○ **BASKETBALL**

*I Think I Can  
I KNOW I Can*

*inspiration*



AND THE CROWD GOES

**WILD!**

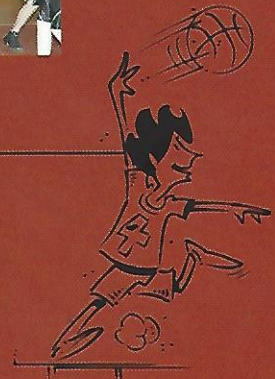
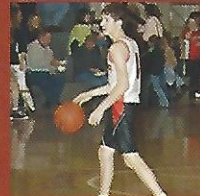
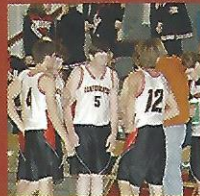
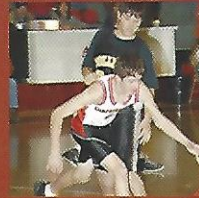
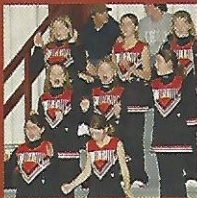
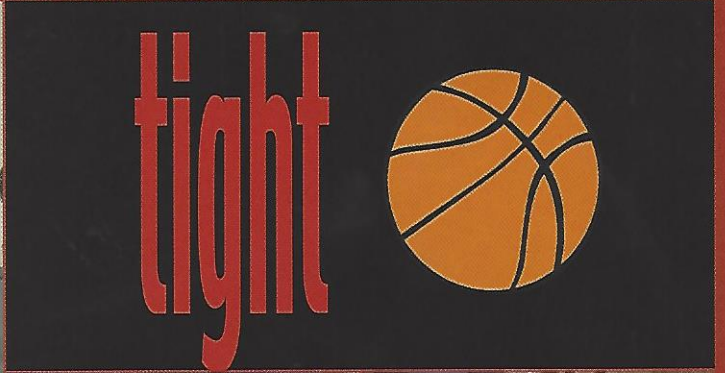


# JV Boys





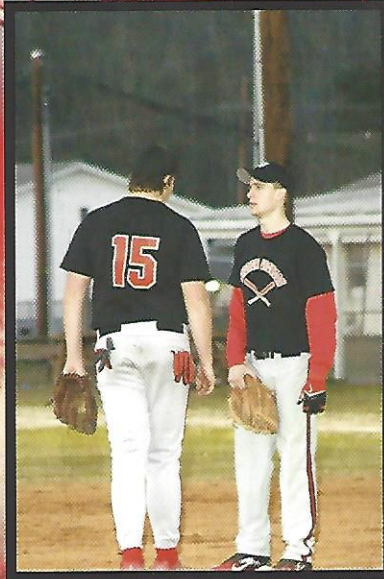
# Basketball





# BASEBALL 2007

Having a Pep Talk boys?



Throw the HEAT!!

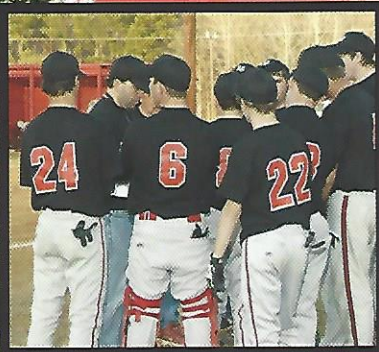
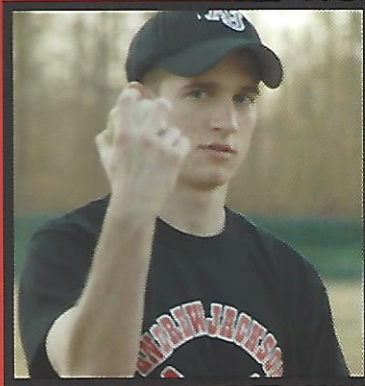
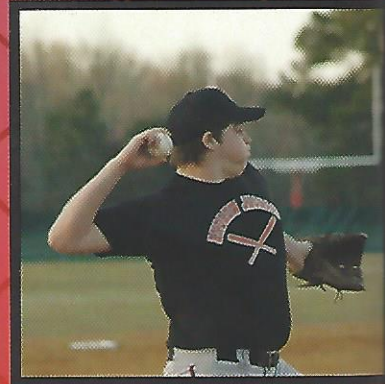


Swing, Jeremy!!!!



Yes,  
Jeremy we  
see you  
have the  
BALL...

Hurry Bradley throw him out at first !!



1, 2, 3 TEAM !!!!

standing:

- Randy Reniz //
- Randy Reniz /
- Clay Zorn
- Wyles Murdaugh
- Bryan Bishop
- Brad Hiers
- Chris Long
- Coach Greg L.
- kneeling:
- Ryan Fender
- John Avant
- <sup>64</sup>Remy Brennan



Bradley Priester  
Jeremy Jones  
ground:

Justin Long  
Justin Reniz

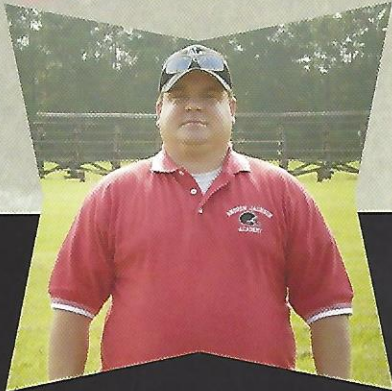
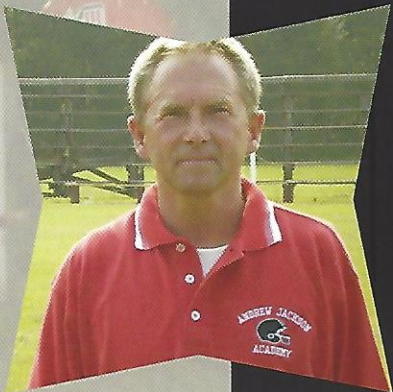


**GO TEAM**



*"I firmly believe that any man's finest hour - his greatest fulfillment to all he holds dear - is that moment when he has worked his heart out in a good cause and lies exhausted on the field of the battle - victorious."  
...Vince Lombardi*

*"In order to have a winner, the team must have a feeling of unity; every player must put the team first - ahead of personal glory."  
... Paul "Bear" Bryant*



*"Ability may get you to the top, but it takes character to keep you there."  
.....John Wooden*

*"One man with courage makes a majority."  
...Andrew Jackson*

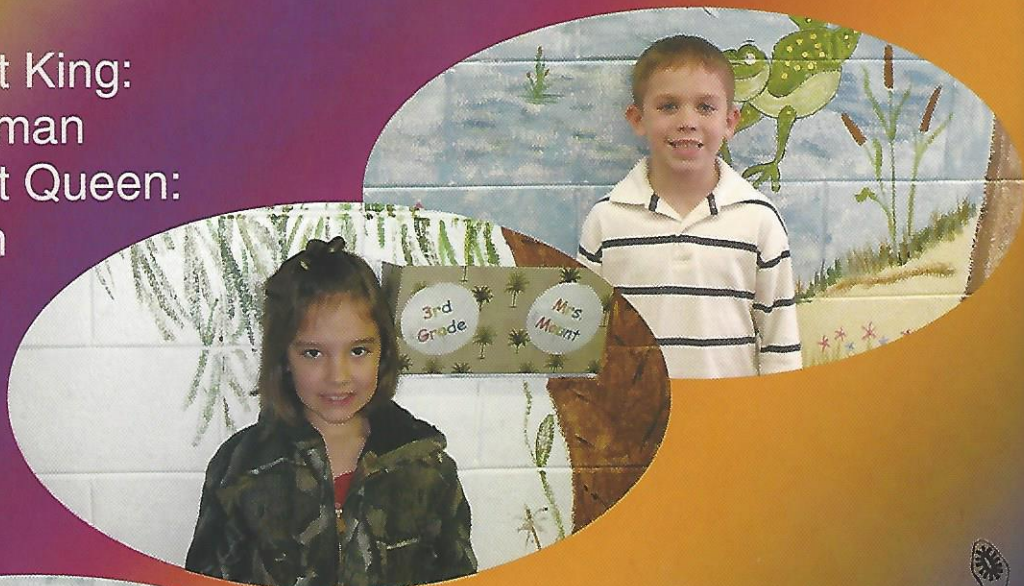


# Harvest Kings and Queens



## 2006 & 2007

2006 Harvest King:  
Bailey Ackerman  
2006 Harvest Queen:  
Grace Sutton



2007 Harvest King:  
Bailey Arkerman  
2007 Harvest Queen:  
Kaitlyn Rentz



Kindergarten Harvest Queen 2006: Lindsey Pullaski  
2006-2007 Harvest King: Bryce Hughes







You know you want some!



Tybee and Terry congratulating Bryan!!



SMILE BIG!!!

# Mr. AJA

The Senior guys all dressed out to show their school spirit!!!! They all seemed to enjoy being a girl for one night! Parents all loved the laughter the guys gave them as they walked out on the stage. Bryan Bishop filled the room with whistles from the crowd when he was crowned Mr. AJA!!!



The winner of Mr. AJA 2007: Bryan Bishop!!



Make sure to smile when you're in front of the judges!



Who is this pretty lady?



If you got it flaunt it!!!!!!



All eyes on me!!!!!!





# Miss AJA 2007

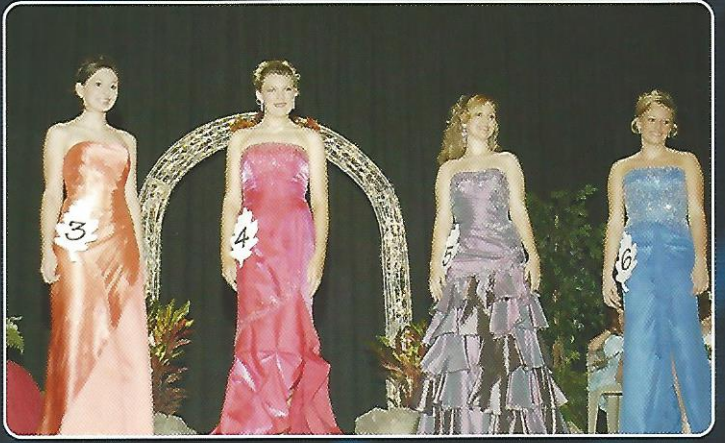


Little Miss AJA: Mary Marks Leonard  
Gammar Miss AJA: Caitlin McCallister

1st Runner-up: Carey Herndon

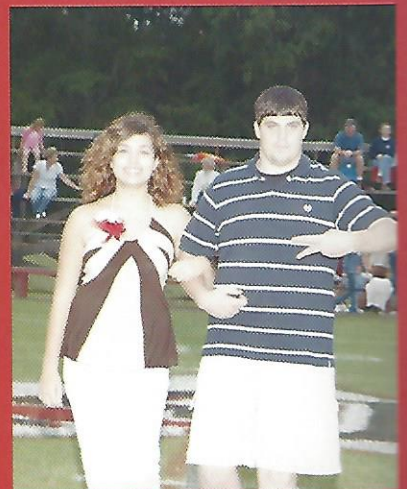
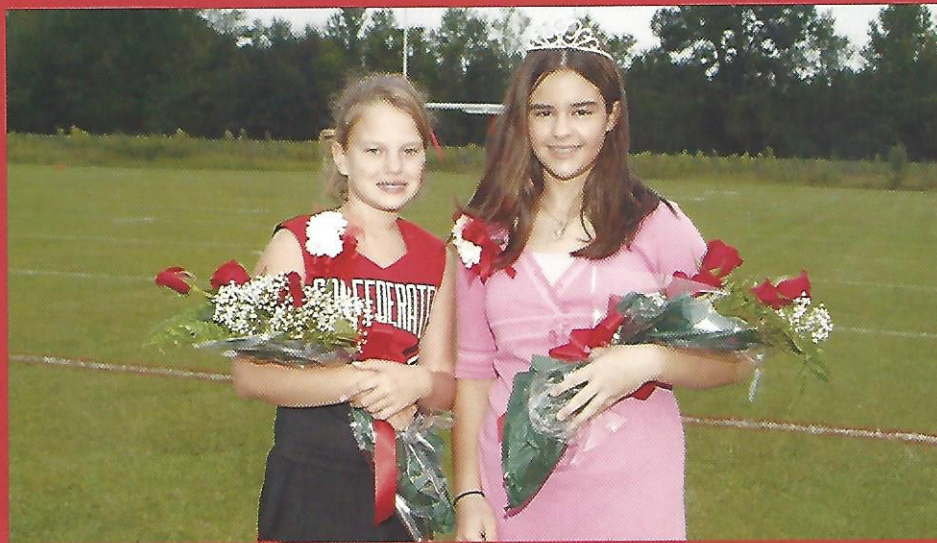
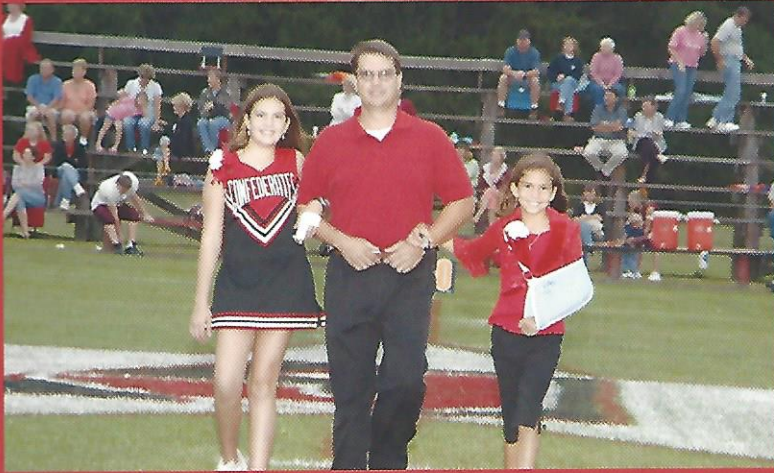
Junior Miss AJA Kasey Mixon 1st Runner-up: Gail Mathias  
Miss AJA: Erica Bessinger 1st Runner-up: Lauren Bennett







# JV Homecoming 2007



JV Homecoming Queen: Laura Rentz  
Runner-up: Mary Sutton



# Varsity Homcoming 2007



Miss Confederate: Erica Bessinger

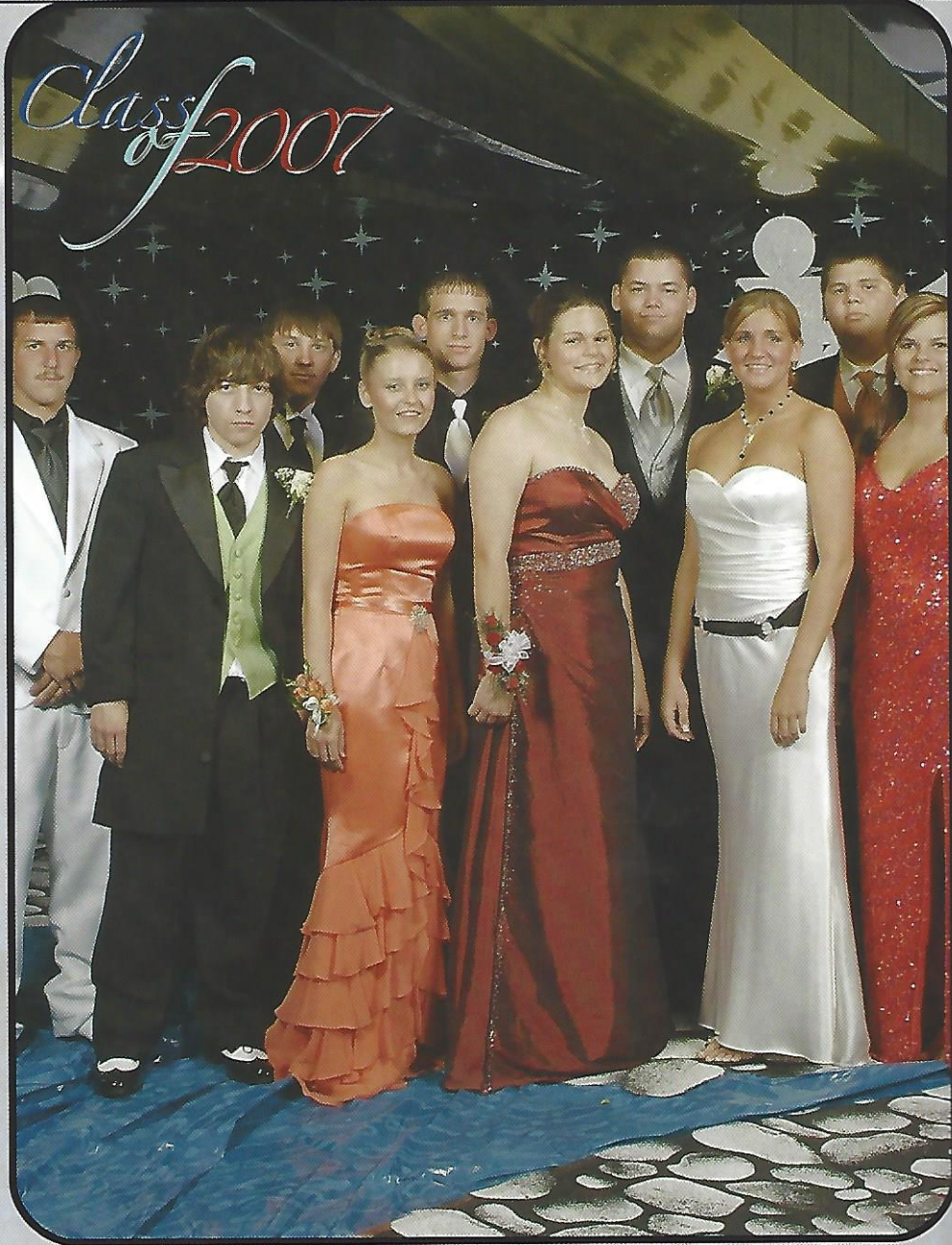
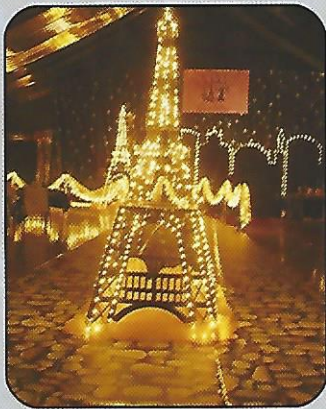
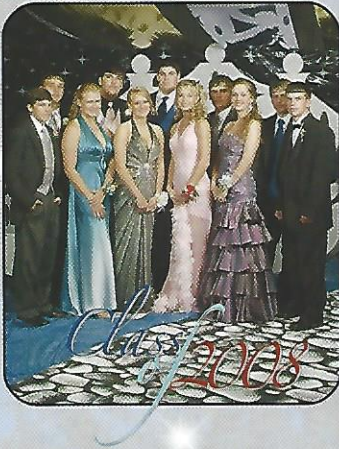


2007 Homecoming Queen: Kayce Hutto  
Runner-up: Ashley Freeman



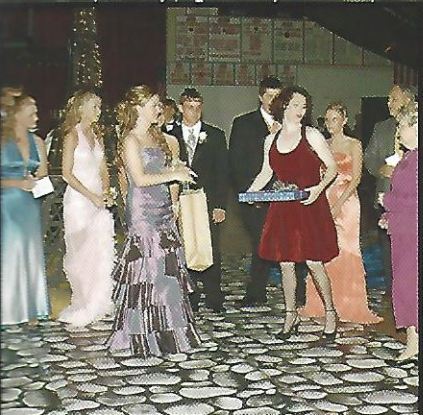
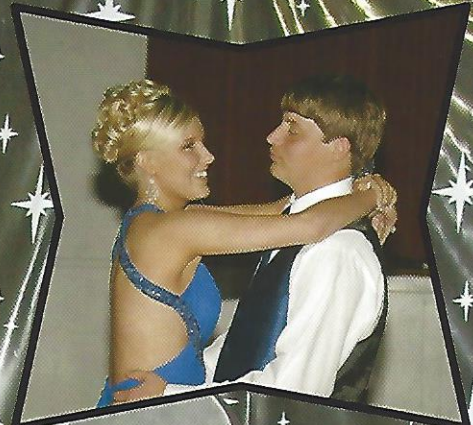
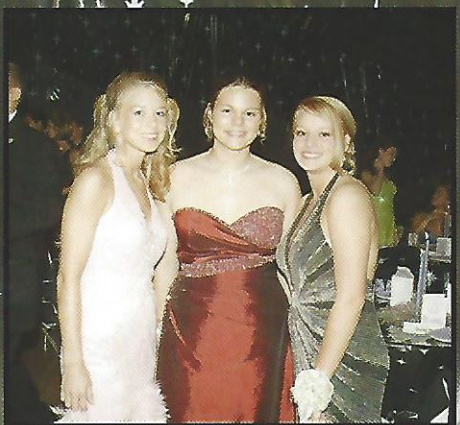
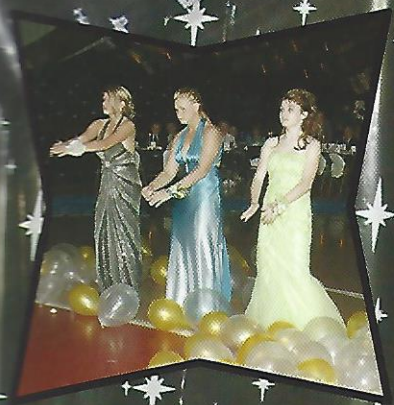


# C'est Si Bon

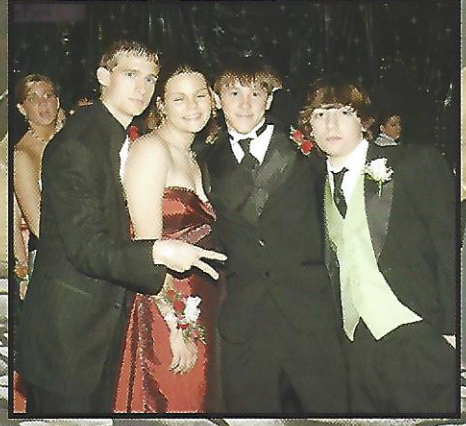
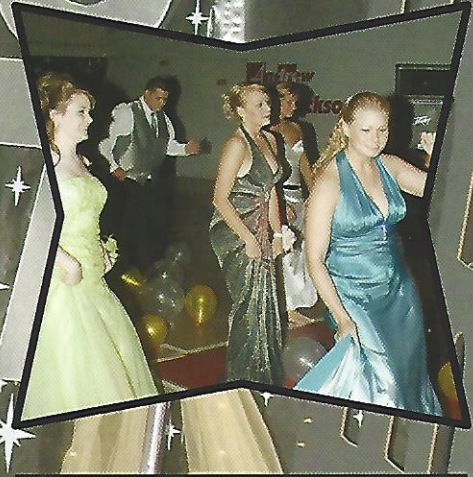
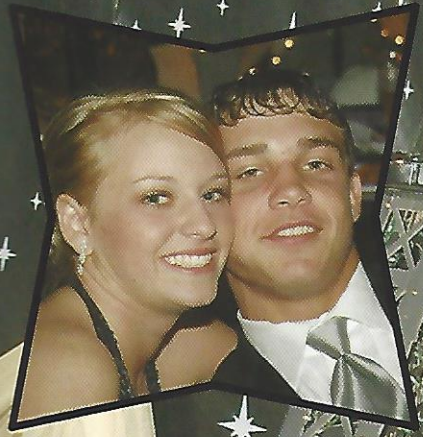


Class of 2007  
The Seniors enjoyed their beautiful prom and the unforgettable night full of memories that they will always cherish!  
Back row: Myles Murdaugh, William Varn, Jeremy Jones, Remy Brennan, and Jacob Clayton  
Front row: Daniel Meyer, Brittany Gross, Brandi Rentz, Lauren Avant, and Madeline Ayer





# JUNIOR-SENIOR PROM 2007

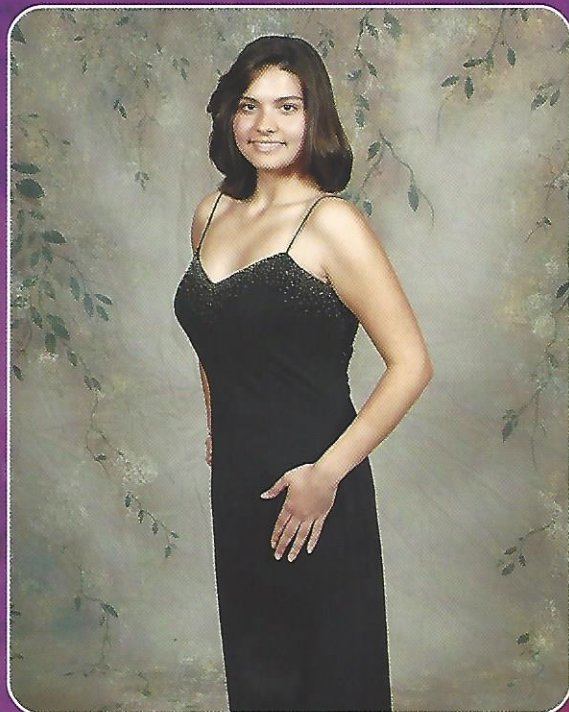




# \*\*\*2008 Class Queens\*\*\*



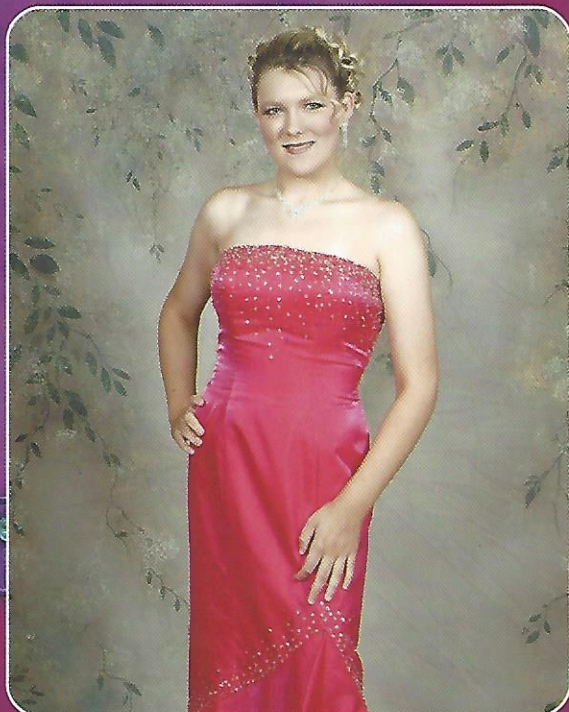
*Miss Senior: Kristen Nixon*



*Miss Junior: Janie Godey*



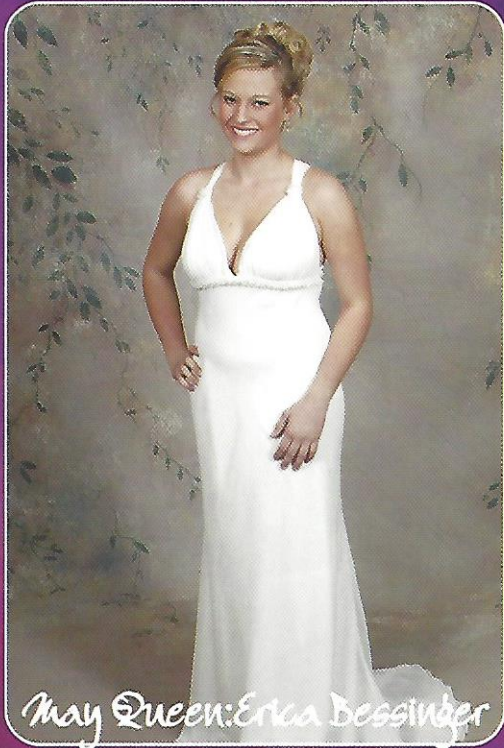
*Miss Sophomore: Megan McFadden*



*Miss Freshman: Brooke Kobb*



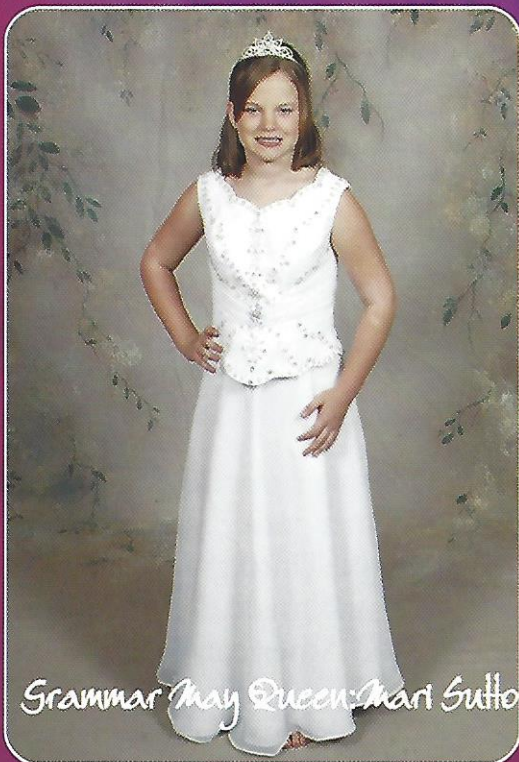
# \*\*\*2008 May Queens\*\*\*



May Queen: Erica Bessinger



Maid of Honor: Kristen Nixon



Grammar May Queen: Mari Sutton



Maid of Honor: Sayle Mathias



# May Day 2007

## Elementary



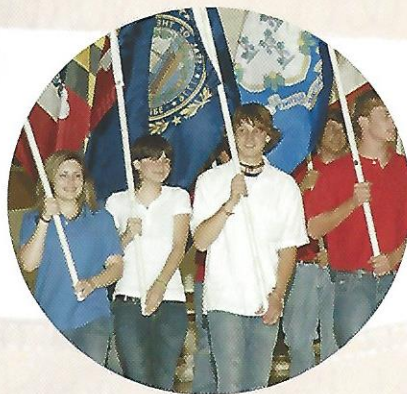
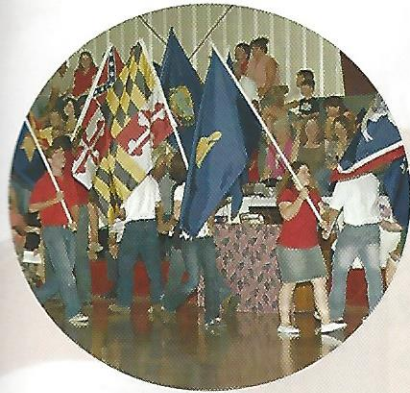
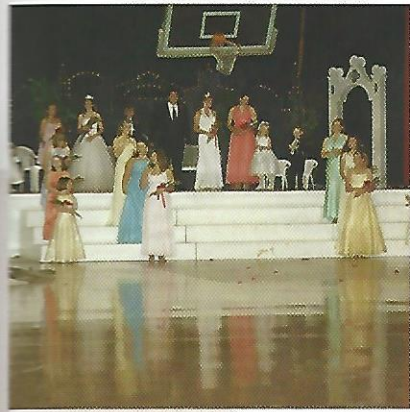
The theme was "History of America". The grammar school enjoyed laughing and having a good time participating in each performance. Kindergarten did child labor laws with Mrs. Marie. First and Third grades came together and did "The First Thanksgiving Dinner". Second grade did "Paul Revere's ride". Fourth Grade presented "The History of the American Flag". Fifth Grade and Sixth Grade performed the "Wild West". The parents enjoyed watching their children act out each skit. With laughs and joyfull moments, everybody will

remember May Day 2007.



# May Day 2007

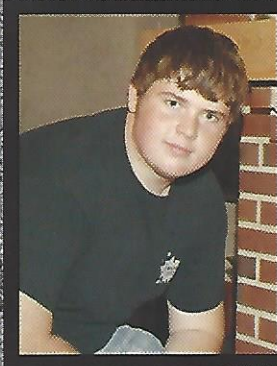
## High School



The high school performed skits about the fifty states. The seventh through the twelfth grade sang "Lets Learn the Fifth States". After the song, 7th, 8th, and 9th grade girls did the May pole and afterwards joined the other students and performed the Grand March.



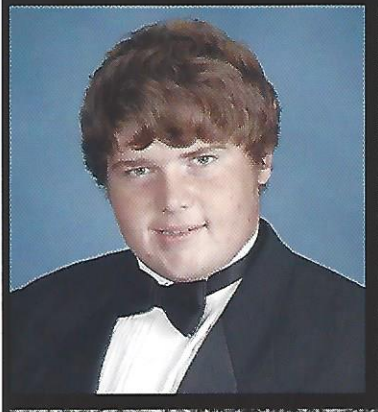




"Wars come and go  
but my soldiers stay  
eternal." - Tupac #18

*Jerry Beard*

A.k.a. T-Time and T-Bone  
I love you all!!!



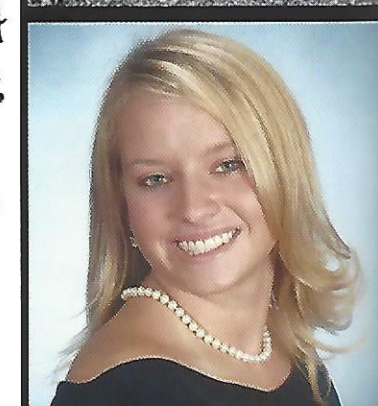
"Life might not be  
the party we hoped for  
but while we're here  
we might as well dance.

*Kauren Bennett*



"Draw a circle, not a heart  
around the ones you love  
because a heart can  
break but a circle goes  
on forever!"

*Erica Bessinger* #4



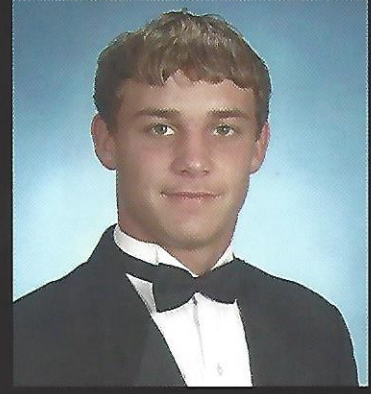




High School is a lot like  
toilet paper, you only  
miss it when its gone

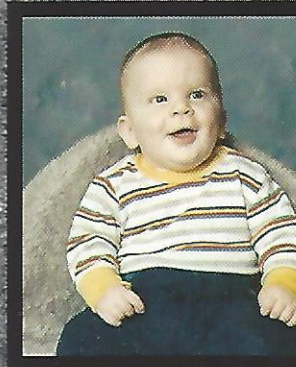
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Bryan Bishop



Amler Brown

"Say what you mean,  
and mean what you  
say."

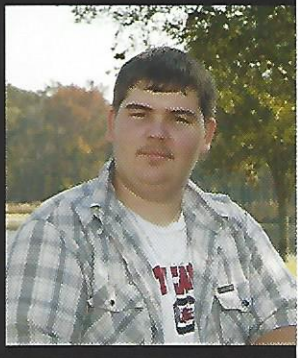


Bobby L Crosby  
= "Boo-Shay"

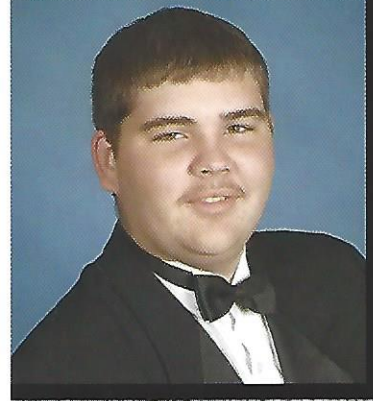
Don't blink because  
you never know when  
life might end"







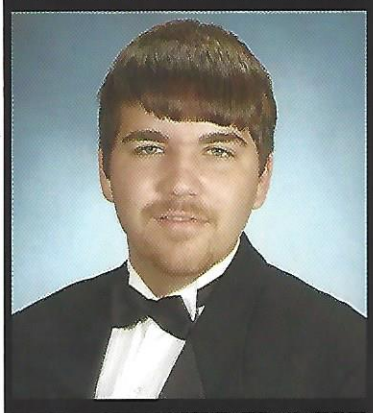
Brad Hiers  
 Butterbean  
 #5



*Class of 2008*



What don't kill you  
 makes you stronger!  
 Derek Hutto AKA  
 Big Daddy



Life is 2 short 2 be unhappy, you  
 have 2 take the good with the  
 bad, smile when you're sad, love  
 what you got, always 4give but  
 Never 4get, people change +  
 things go wrong but always  
 remember Life Goes On !!  
 Kristin  
 Miral ☺ "DD" #13



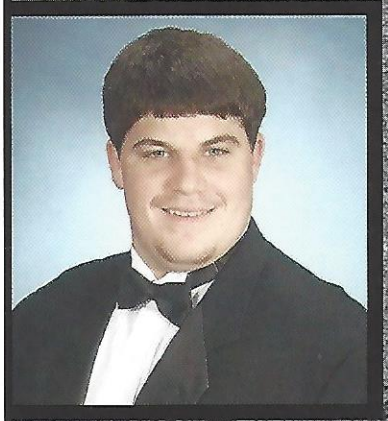




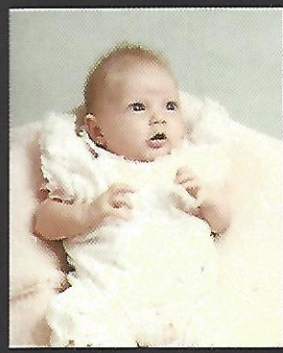
"Live it up while you can cause it might be gone tomorrow"

Bradley Priester  
(A.K.A Priester)

LUV ya AJA!!!



Justin Hunt

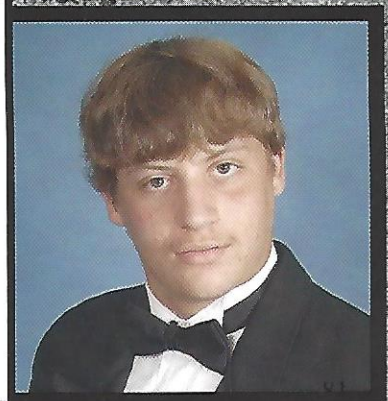


Sarah Richardson  
"Life is a rollercoaster  
so hang on and enjoy the ride!"



Live life to the fullest and remember Every moment is precious you never know when it will be your last.

Tyber AKA Tibbles #46

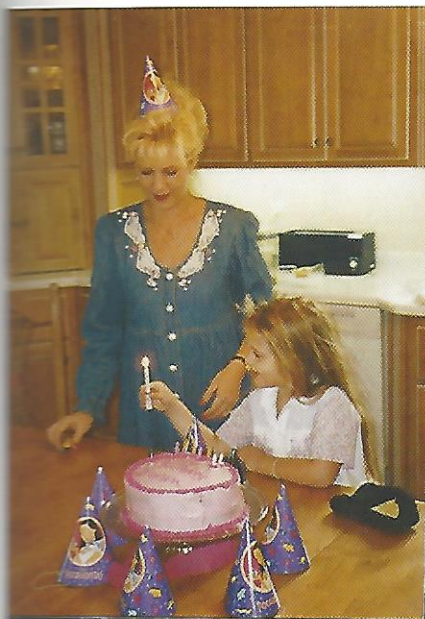




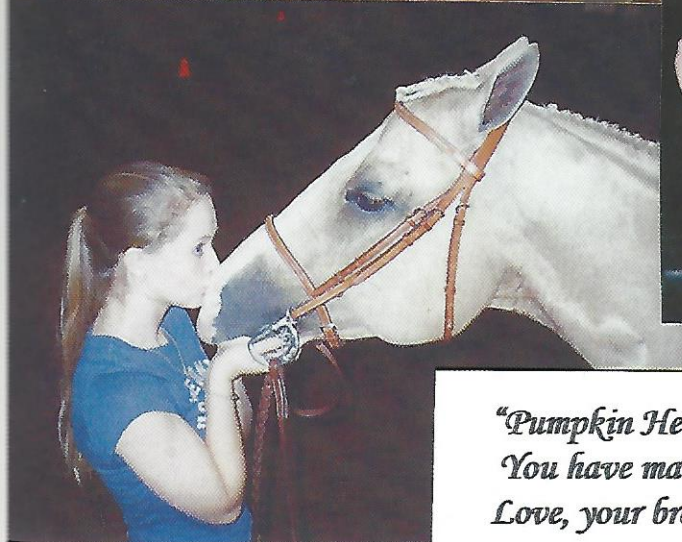
# \*Lauren Bennett\*







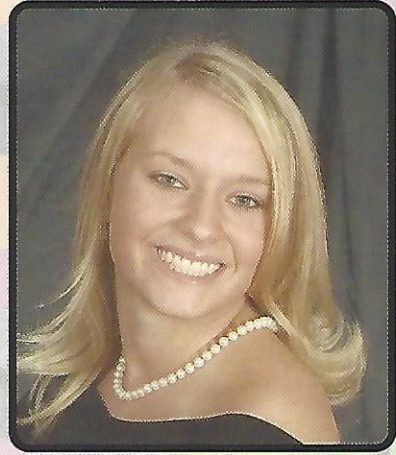
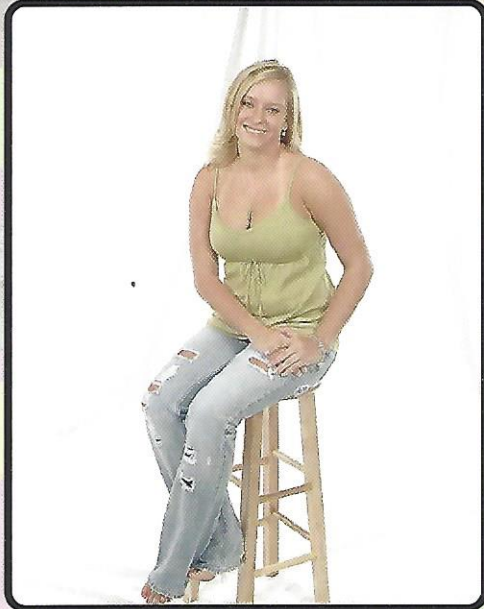
*Lauren,  
We are very proud of you!  
You have brought joy into our  
Lives since you were born. You  
are intelligent, strong, and able  
to accomplish any goal you desire.  
We love you,  
Mom and Dad*



*"Pumpkin Head"  
You have made us so proud of you and we love you so much.  
Love, your brothers James, Johnny, and your sis Linda*



# \*Erica Bessinger\*







*Erica,*

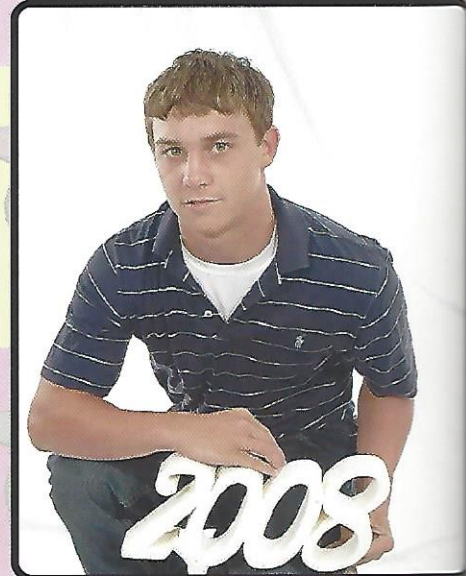
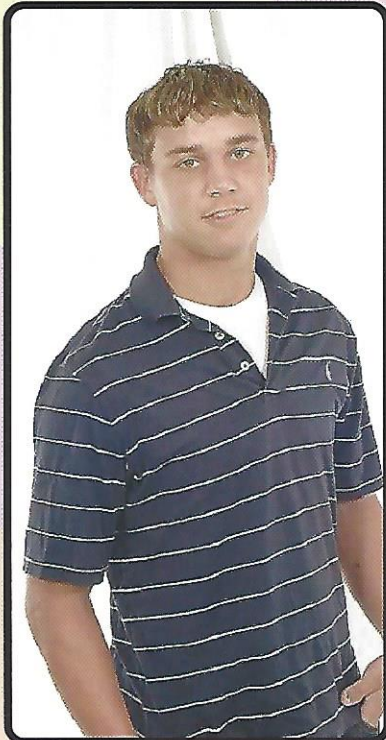
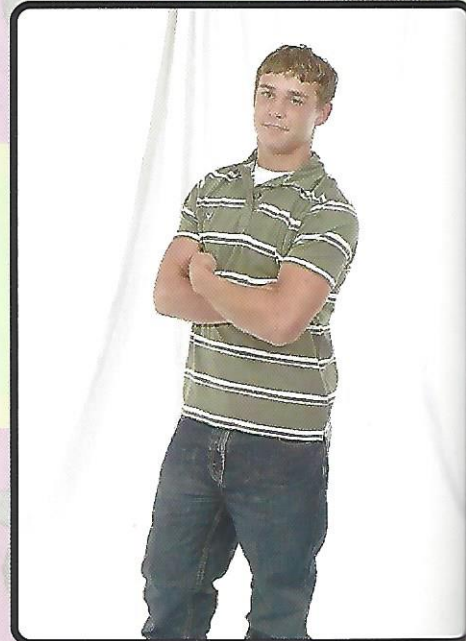
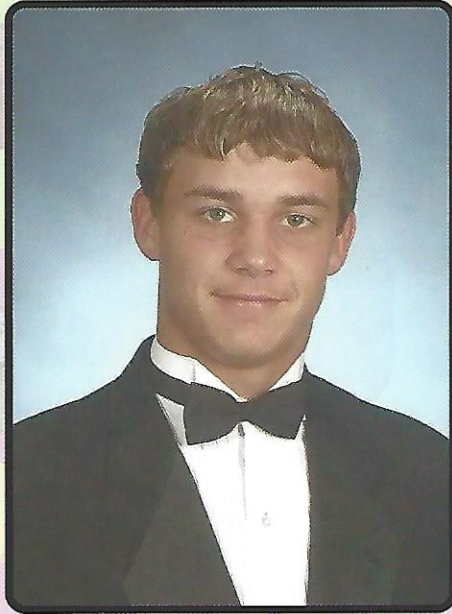
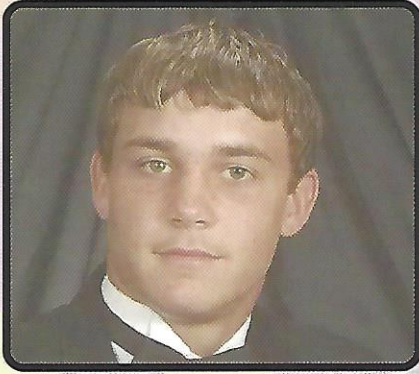
*Our sweet baby girl has grown into a bright and beautiful young woman. We are so very proud of you. Keep Christ in your heart and be true to yourself.*

*Love Mom & Dad*





# ~ Bryan Bishop ~

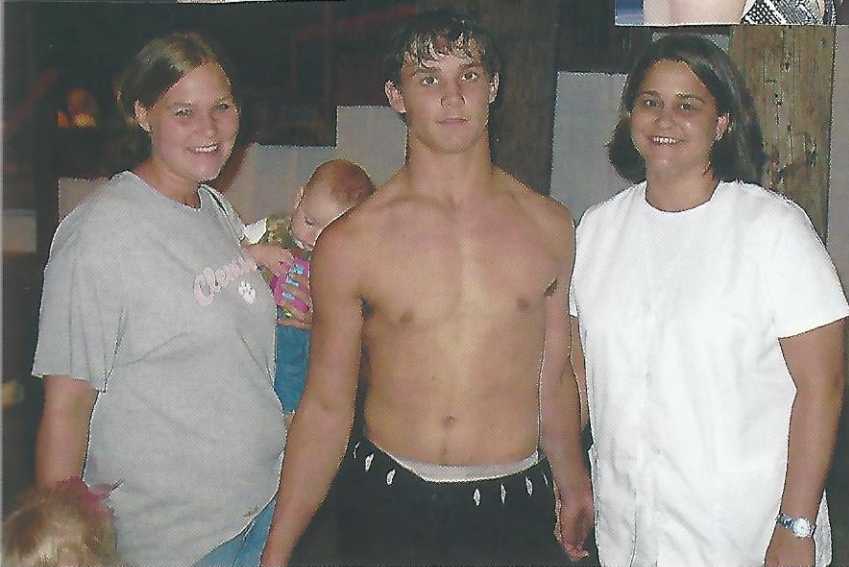






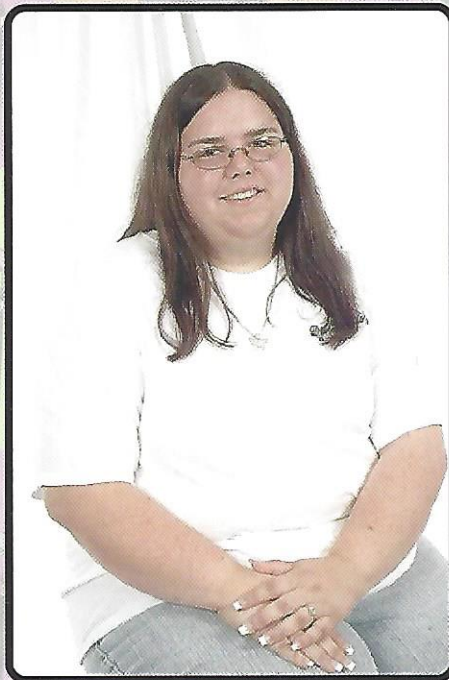
**To Bryan,**  
 Congratulations on a job well done!  
 We love you!!  
 Love,  
 Mom & Dad

**To our little brother Bryan,**  
 It seems like just yesterday that you were tearing up our baby dolls. We are very proud of you and the strong, independent, hard-working person you have become. Remember that you can do anything that you want to do.  
 We love you!  
 Jamie, Sara, & Amanda





# \*Amber Brown\*





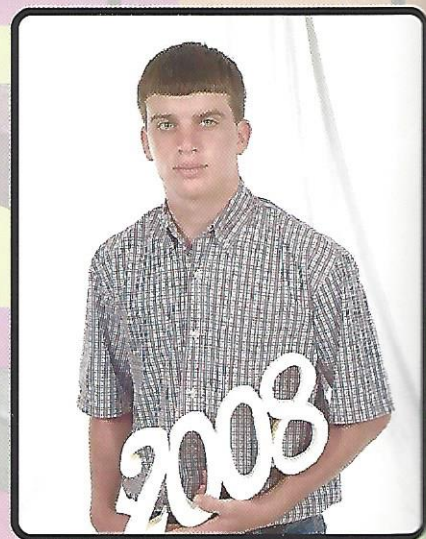
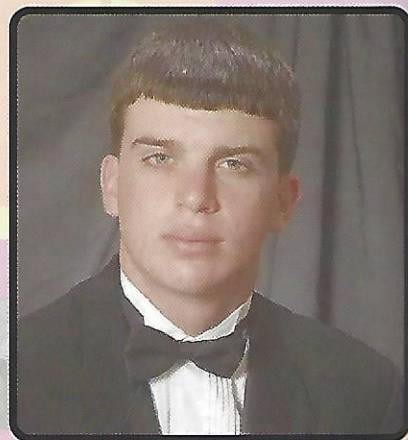
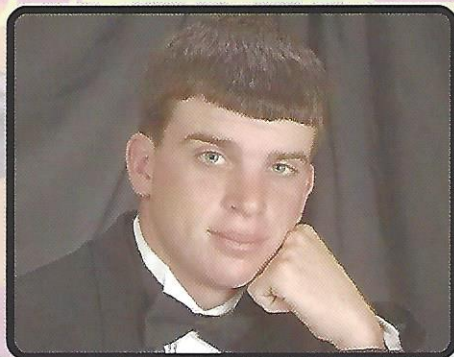
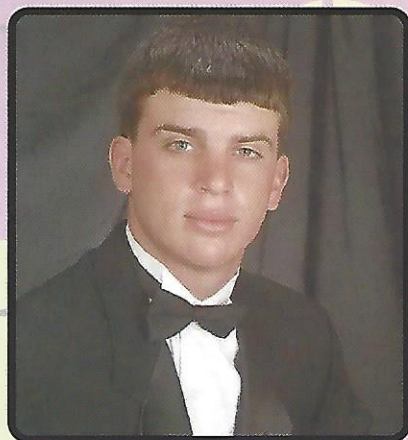
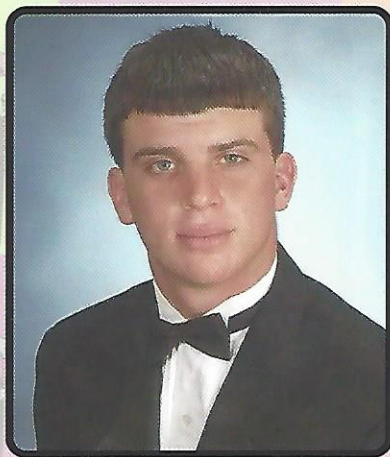
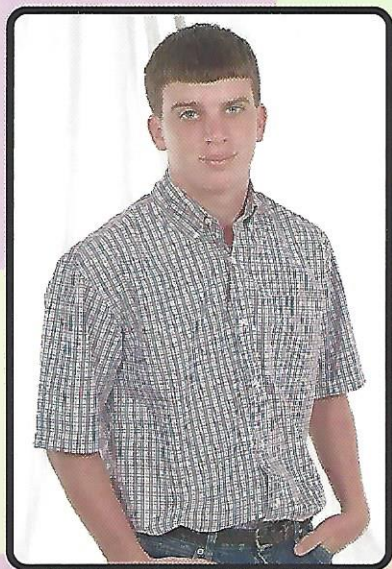
We are so proud of you!  
You've grown from a beautiful baby to a beautiful  
Young lady. Stay true to your heart and always  
Remember that we are here for you!  
Love,  
Momma and Daddy

I ♥ ya little sis  
♥  
Heather





# ~ Bobby Crosby ~





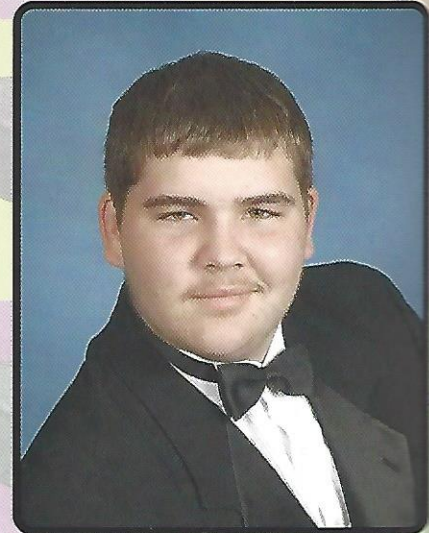
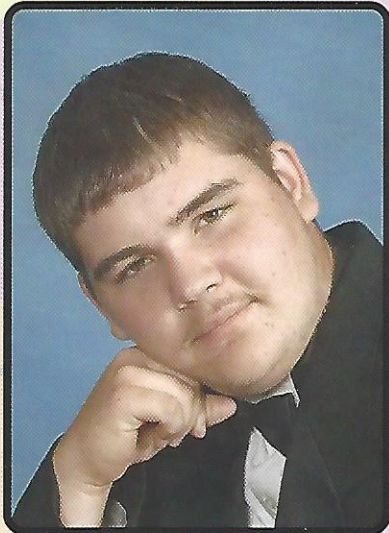
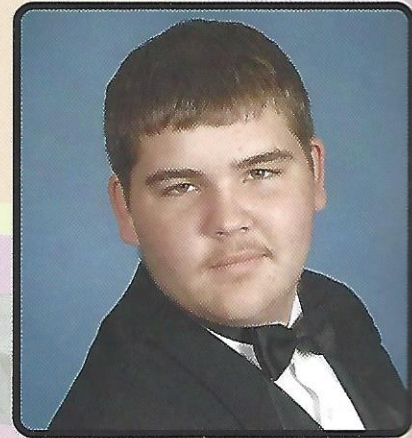
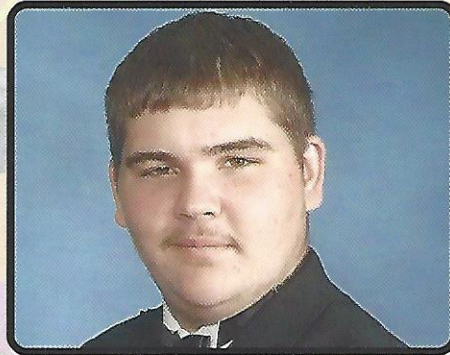
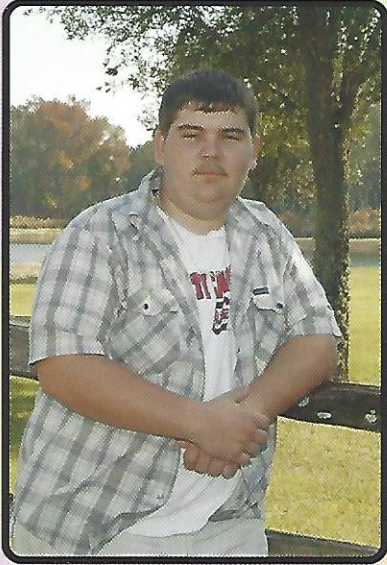


Bobby,  
 We know you thought that this day would never come. We are so proud of you.  
 We all love you and wish you the best in the future.

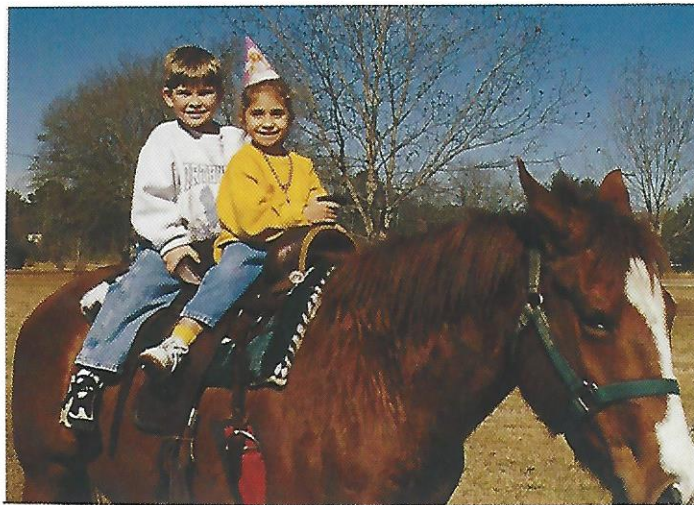
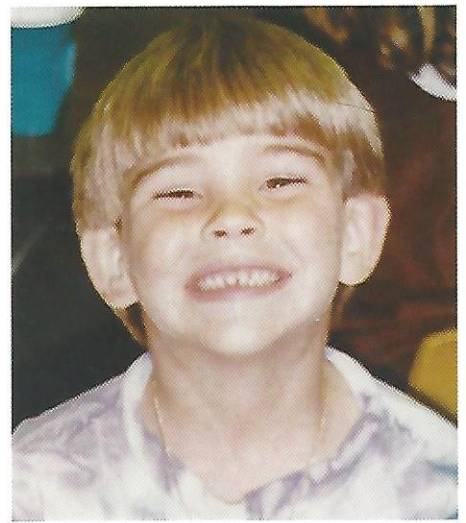
Love You,  
 Dad, Mom, Nicole, Chris, and Macy



# ~Brad Hiers~





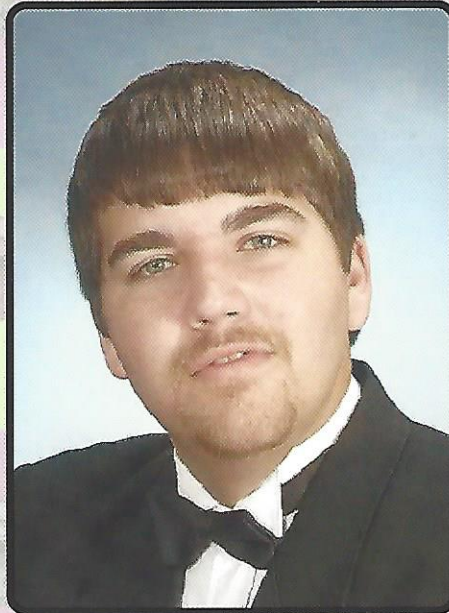
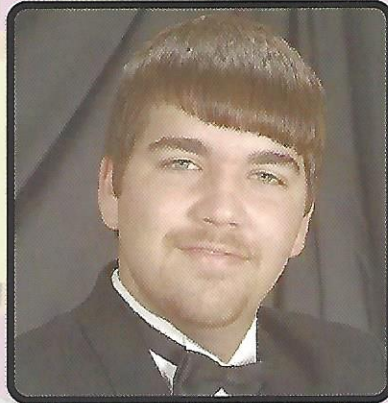
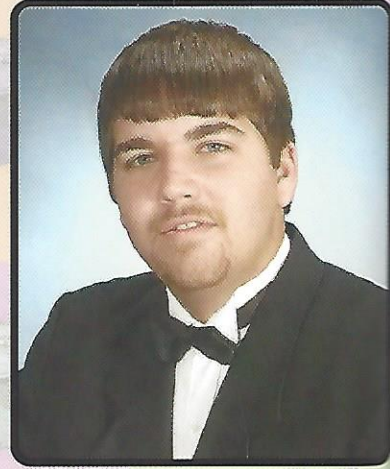
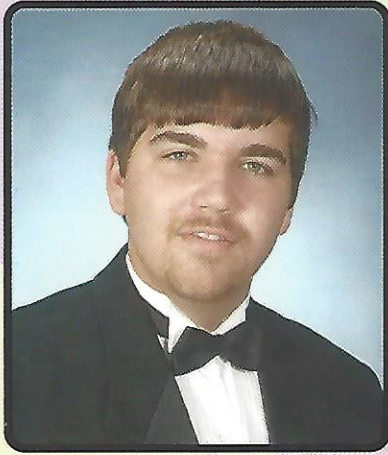


*Many changes have occurred for us all in the past 4 years. The pride we feel in our hearts as your high school years are coming to completion is indescribable. Feel confident as you enter the next phase in your life, and know that you can be anything you strive to be. Remember all the people who helped you along the way with gratitude and fondness. And most of all, remember we all love you very much! Great Job!*

*With Love, Mom and Dad*



# ~Derek Hutton~





Derek,

I am very proud of you and I know that you will accomplish anything that your heart desires.

Love,  
Kayce

Derek,

Time flies by so quickly in the blink of an eye! I can't believe my little brother is graduating. If you listen to everything Daddy and Mama have instilled in you, I know you will go far in life. I am very proud of you!

Love,  
Heather

Derek,

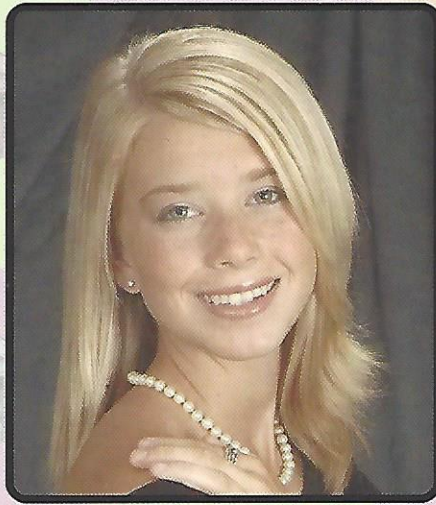
On a cold November day, 18 years ago, our little boy was born. You made your dad's eyes gleam with joy. He loved his girls, but there was always a special place in his heart for his little boy. Remember all the rides in the truck, all of the fishing trips, and the many campfires ya'll built together in the mountains. Derek, you've made everyone very proud of you. Just remember, what your Dad and I have always told you since you were a little boy, "You can make your dreams come true."

Love,  
Mom, Granny, and Rebel

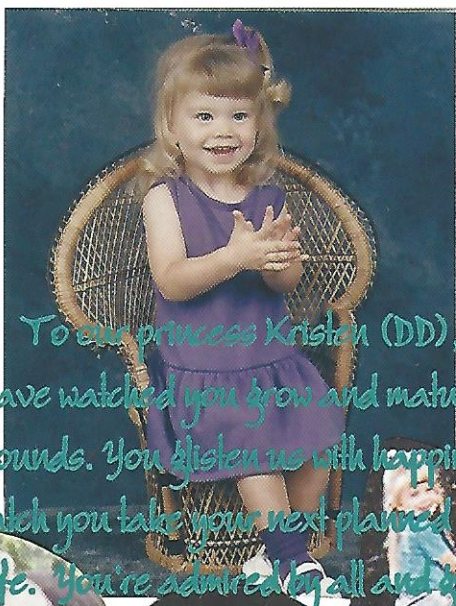




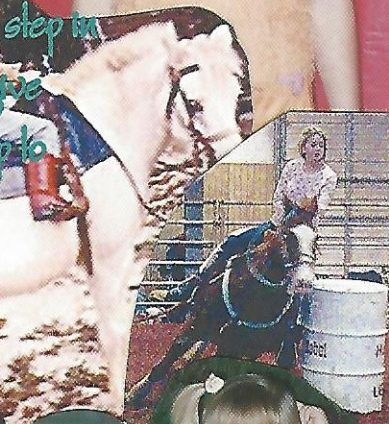
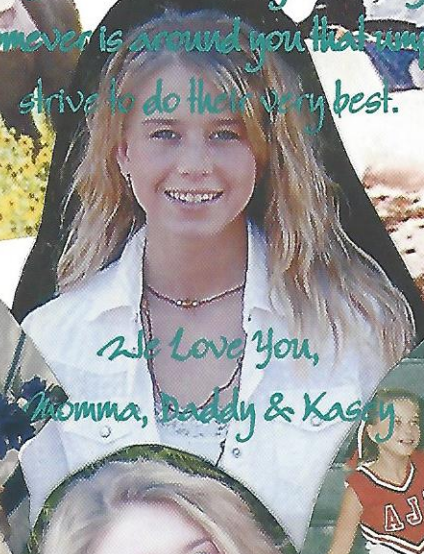
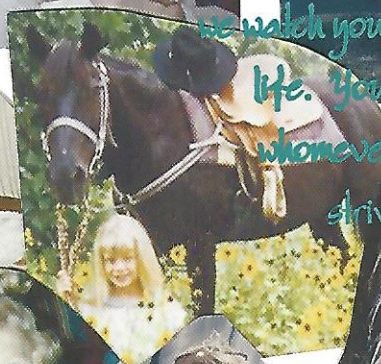
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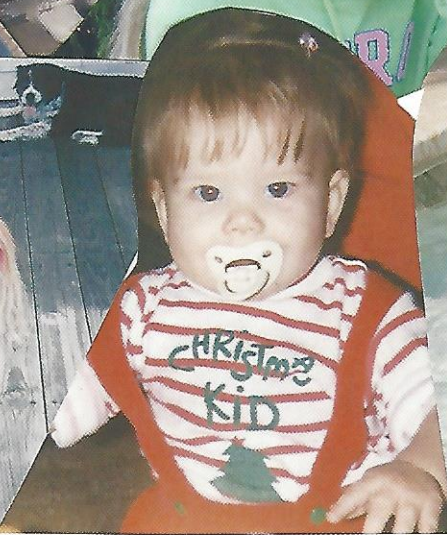




To our princess Kristen (DD),  
We have watched you grow and mature leaps  
and bounds. You listen us with happiness as  
we watch you take your next planned step in  
life. You're admired by all and give  
whomever is around you that urge to  
strive to do their very best.

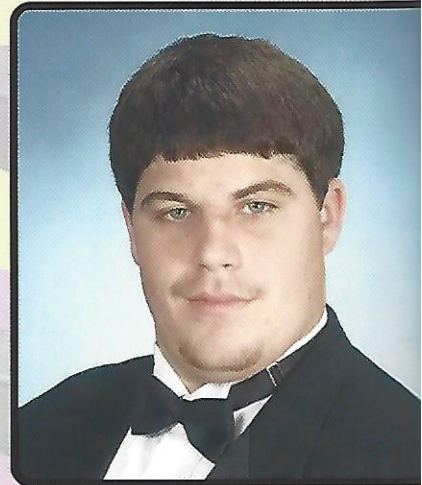
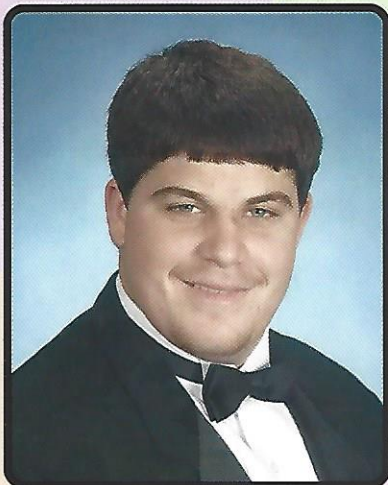
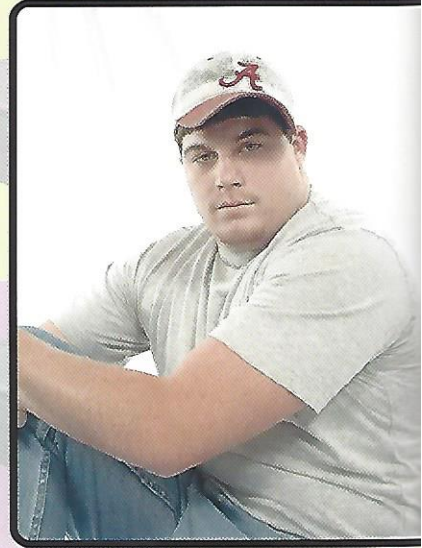
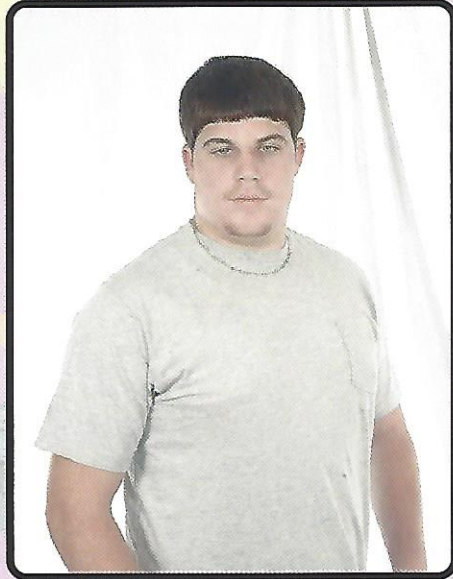
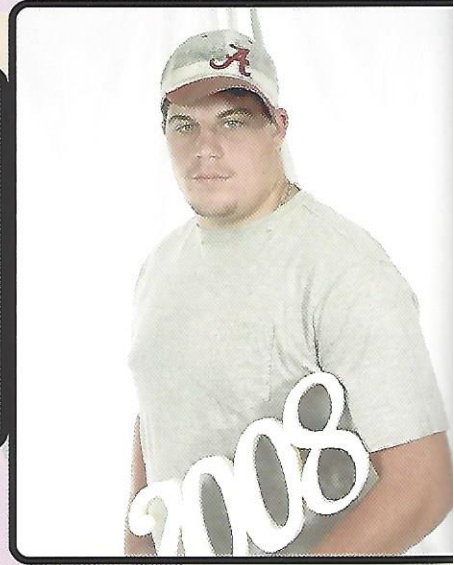


We Love You,  
Momma, Daddy & Kasey





# ~Bradley Priester~





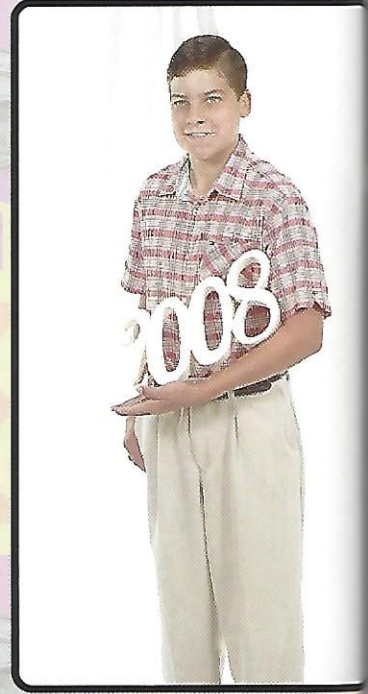


Bradley,  
We are proud of you.  
Love, Mom & Dad  
Good Luck Bo!  
Love, Spot

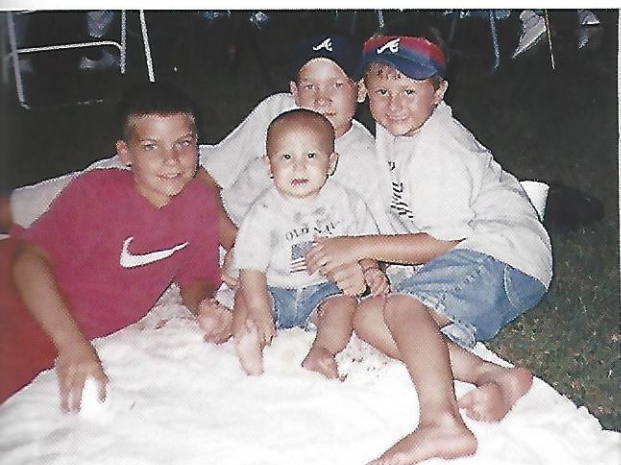
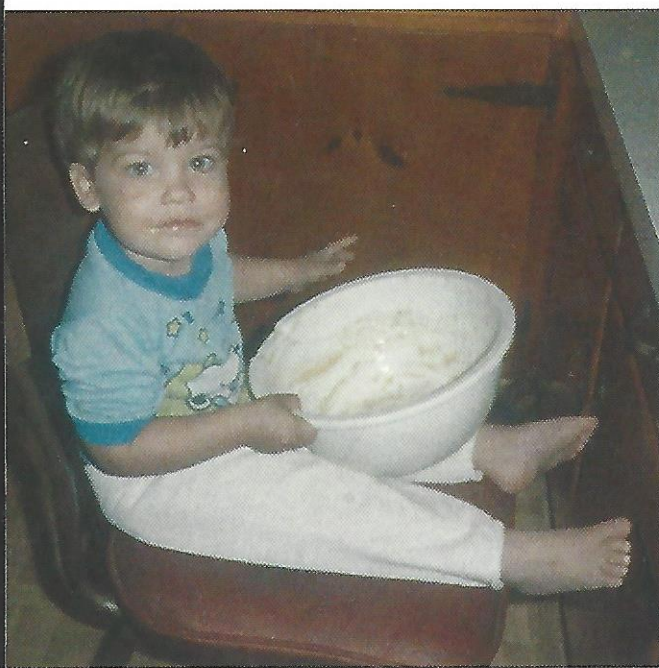
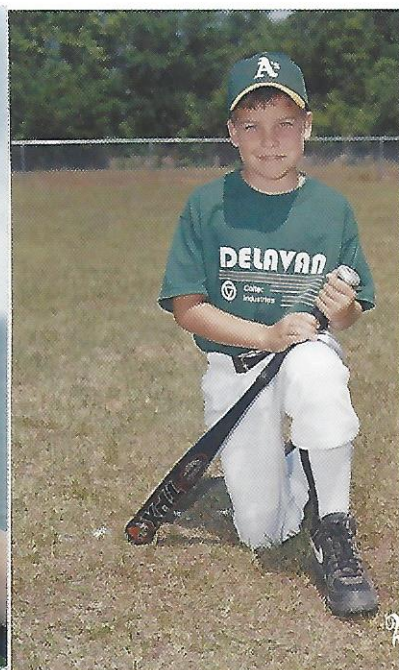
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# ~Justin Rentz~







Justin, you are a very special son. We love you very much. Whatever life brings you I know it will be the right thing for you because that is what you will make it. We love you very much and always will. Love always forever.  
Mom, Dad, Boo

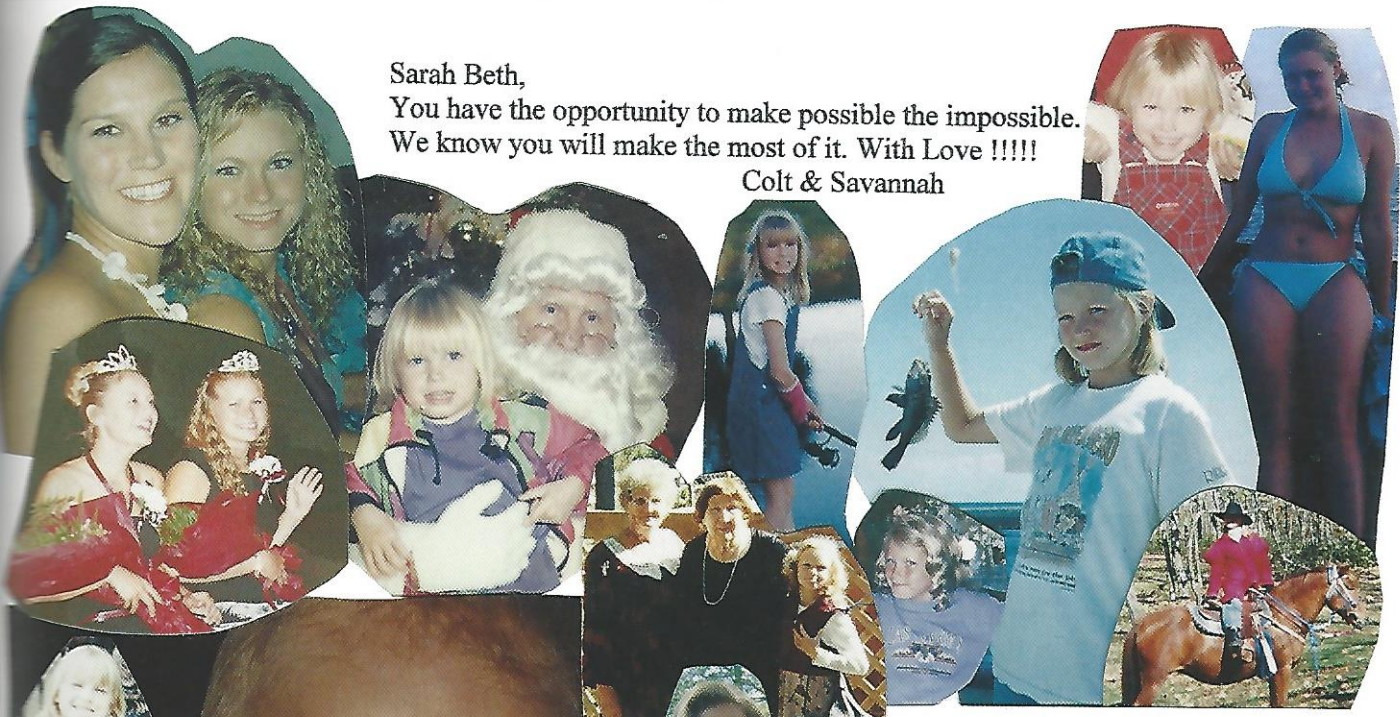


# \*Sarah Richardson\*





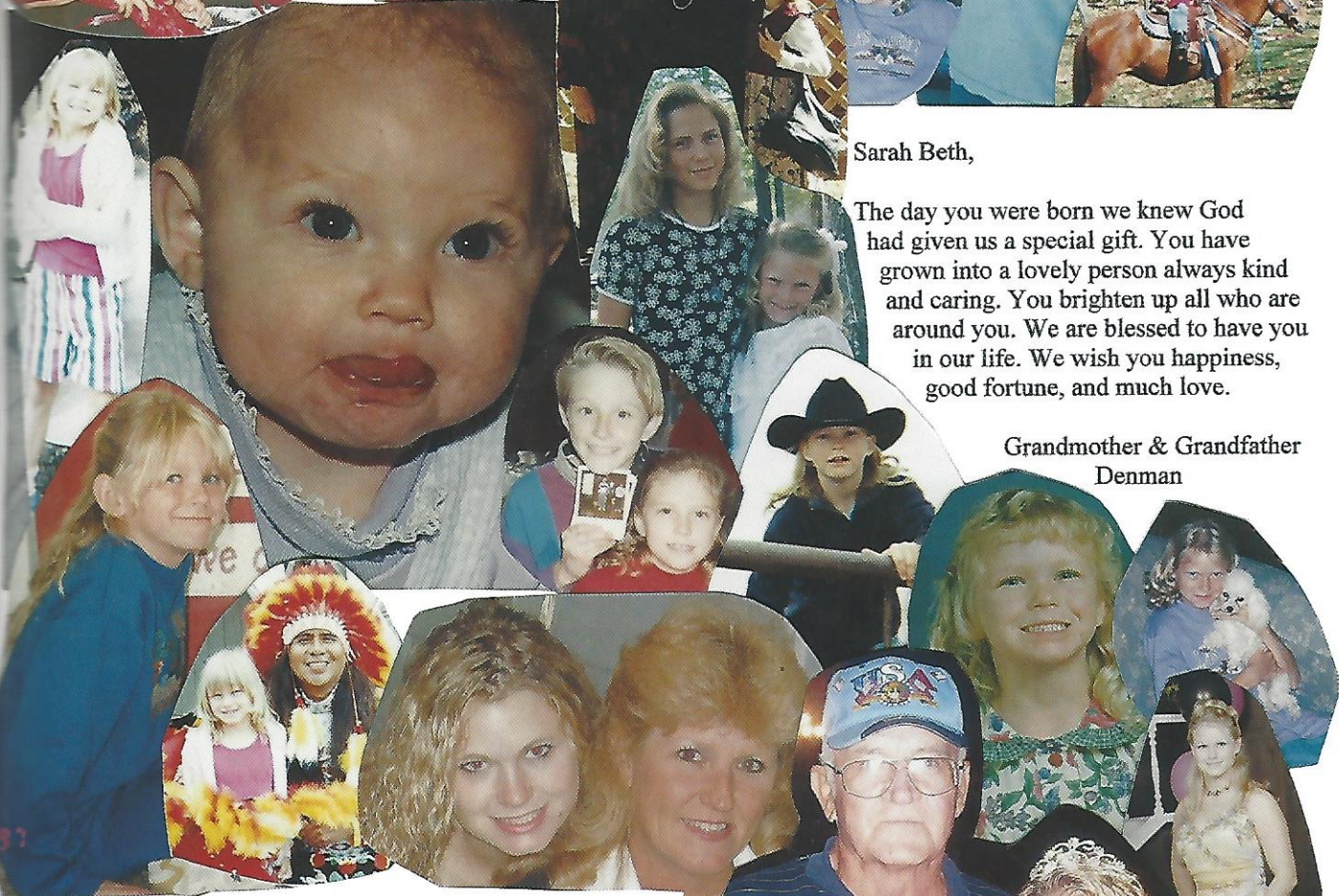
Sarah Beth,  
 You have the opportunity to make possible the impossible.  
 We know you will make the most of it. With Love !!!!!  
 Colt & Savannah



Sarah Beth,

The day you were born we knew God had given us a special gift. You have grown into a lovely person always kind and caring. You brighten up all who are around you. We are blessed to have you in our life. We wish you happiness, good fortune, and much love.

Grandmother & Grandfather  
 Denman



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 AND CHARACTER, YOU HAVE SURPASSED PERFECTION.  
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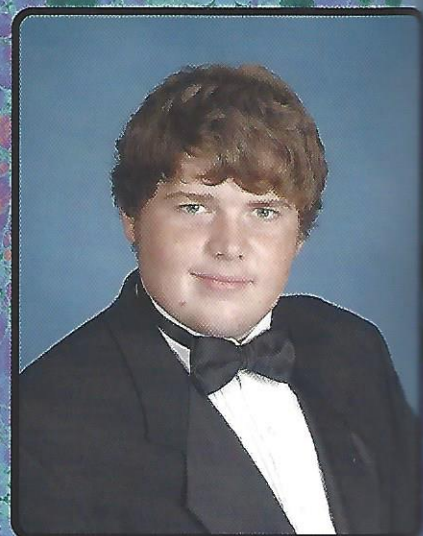
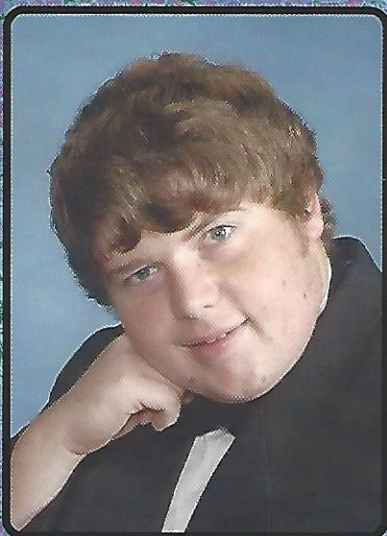
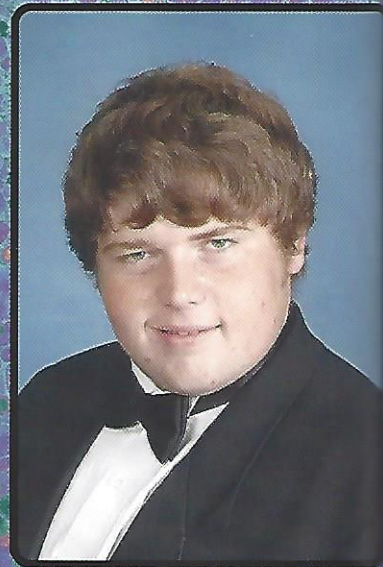
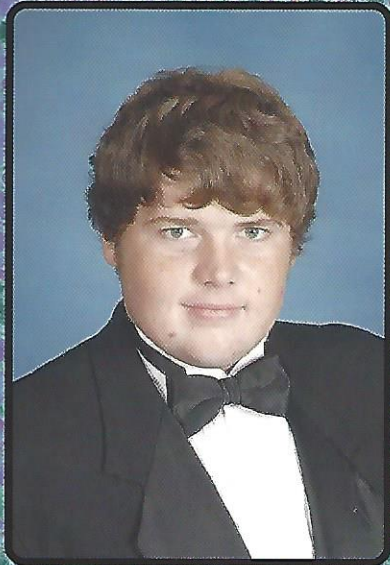
**! CHANCE FAVORS A PREPARED MIND !**

**! BE THANKFUL!**



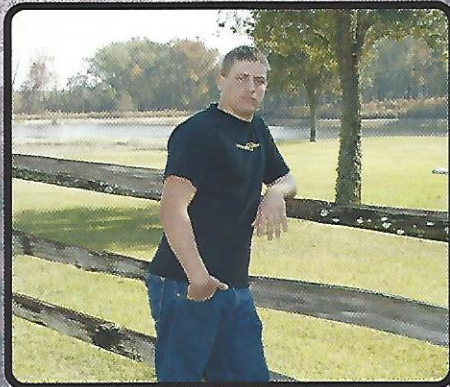
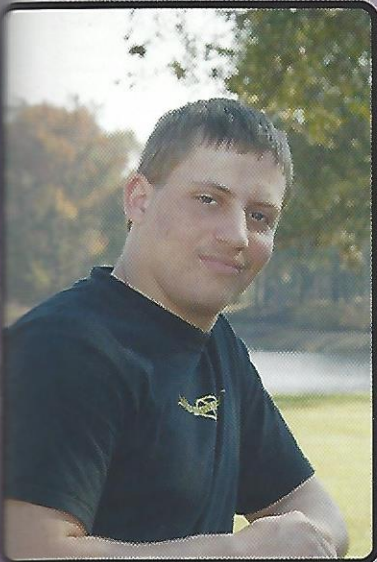


# ~Terry Beard~





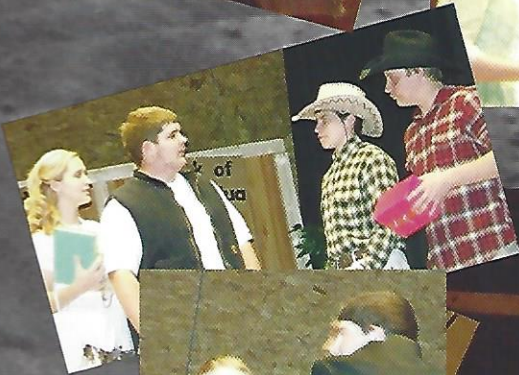
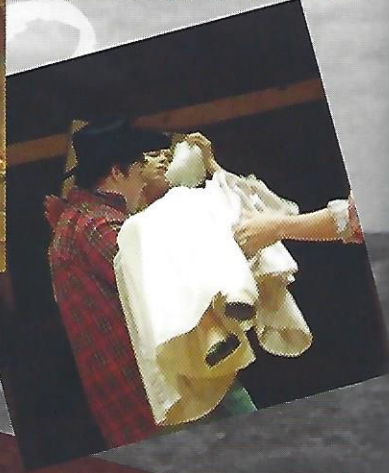
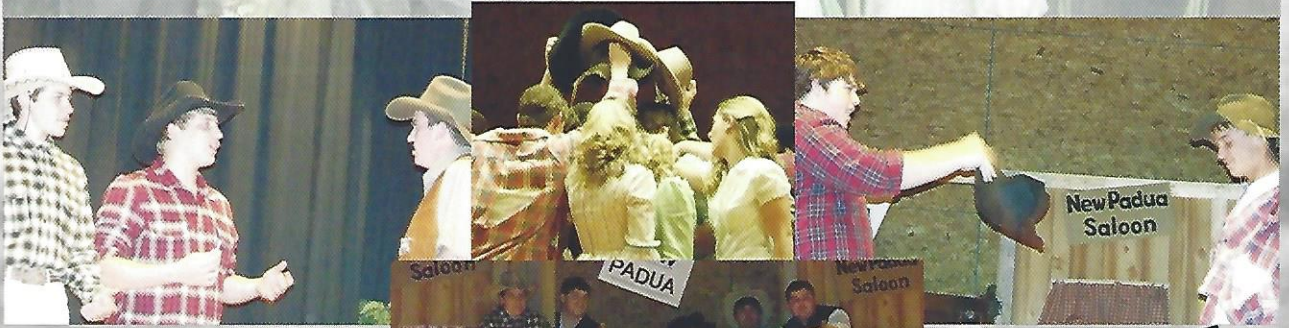
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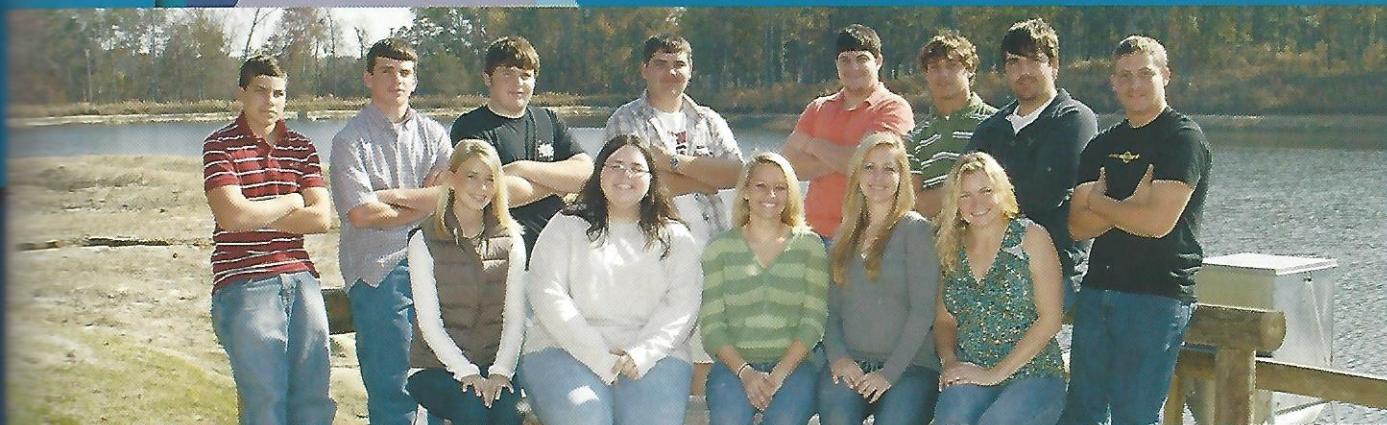


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# ~SENIOR

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Career Choice: Business  
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Career Choice: Pharmacy  
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Block Letter Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Government 1, 2, 3, 4;  
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Leadership 3; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 3; Football Most Valuable  
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College Choice: Horry- Georgetown  
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College Choice: USC Salkehatchie

Career Choice: Sports Medicine

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3378 Ehrhardt Road  
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College Choice: Salkehatchie (USC)

Career Choice; Business Management

Clubs and Awards

History Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Block-letter Club 1, 2, 3, 4; JR,SR Beta Club;  
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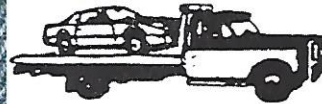
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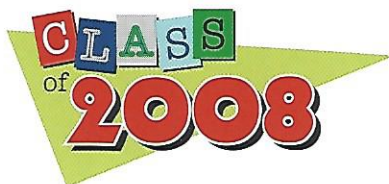
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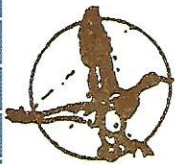


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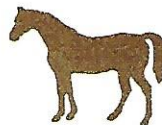
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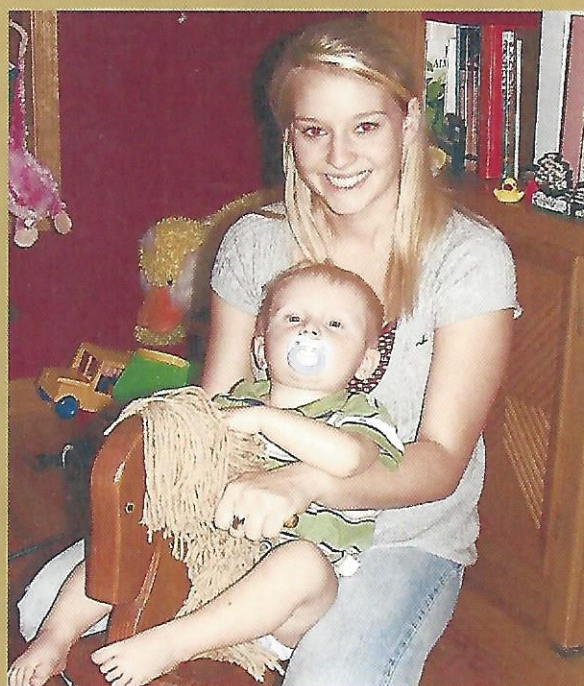
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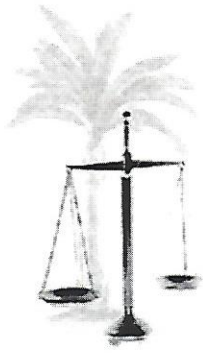
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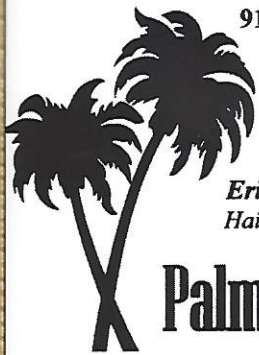
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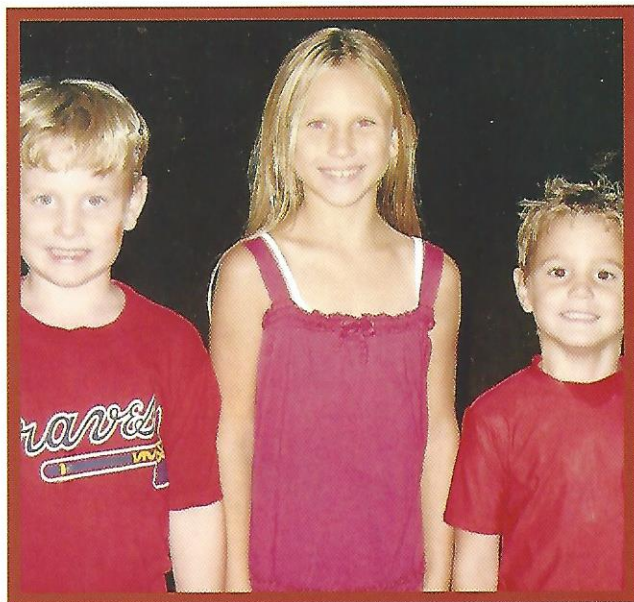
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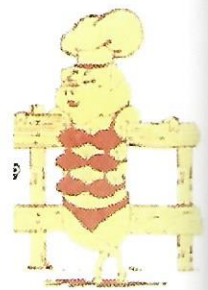
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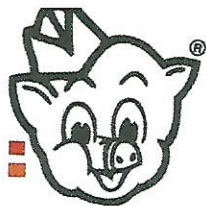
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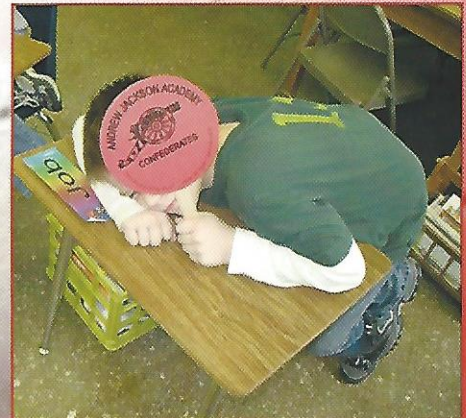
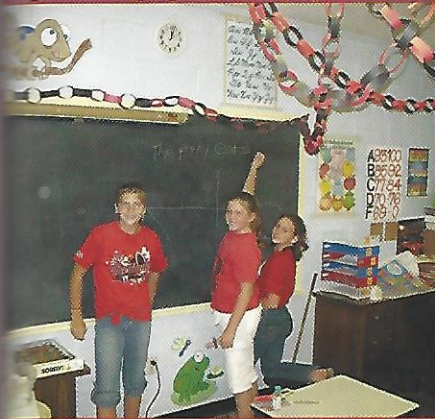
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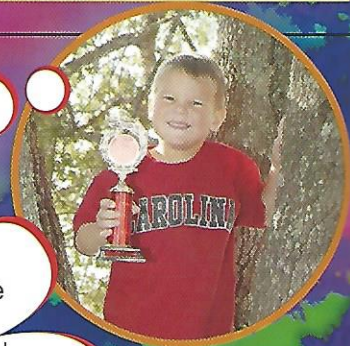
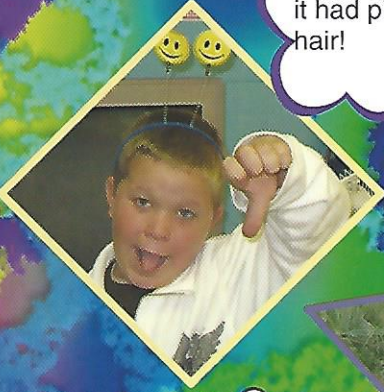
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Teacher: How do you know?  
Riley: Because I've seen Him.  
Teacher: Where did you see God?  
Riley: In my Big Bible at home and it had picture of God with blonde hair!  
...Riley Ackerman 4th



During a talk on "hitting the inside of the toilet" for boys: Bryce says, "When you're short & gotta go, you might have a problem and miss!"

..Bryce Hughes  
K5



"My mind wasn't thinking because my stomach was hungry!"

...Kaitlyn Rentz 1st



When asked to do something, Colin Replies, "I'll be more than happy to do that Mrs. Marie, if it will please you!"

..Colin Peek K5

"Did you know that if it's really hot outside - like a 100 degrees or more - and you stay outside too long, the heat can fry your brain?!?"

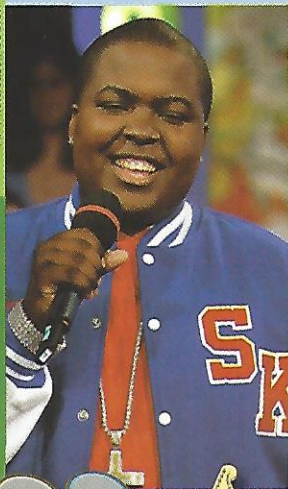
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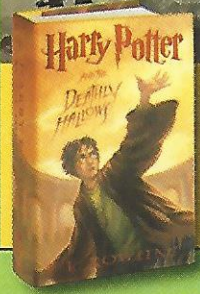
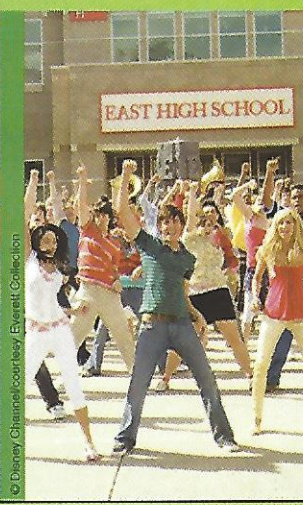
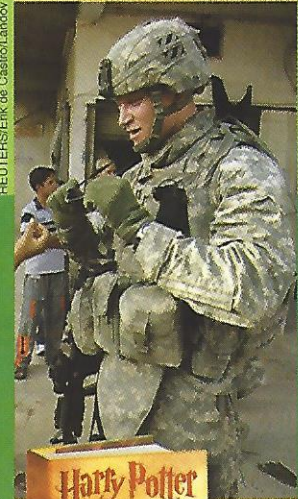




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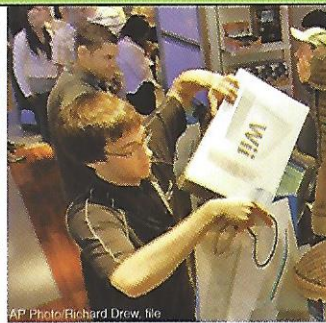
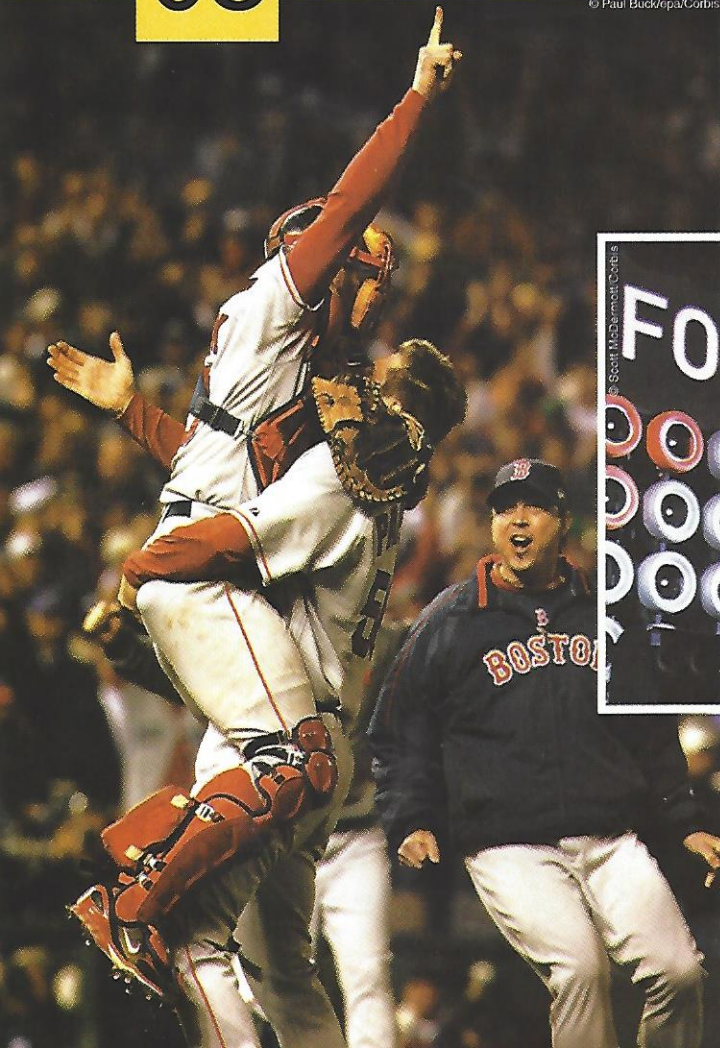


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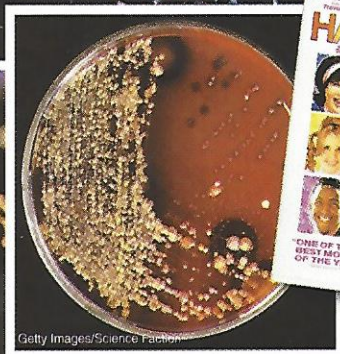
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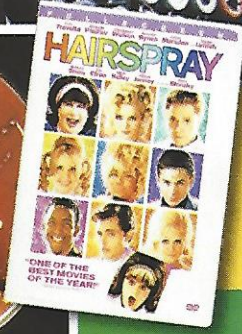
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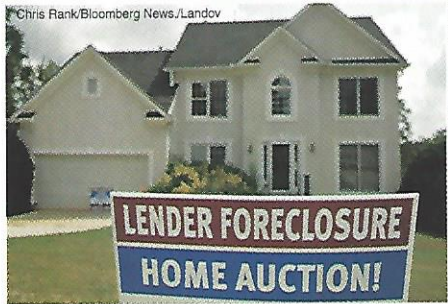




# Front Page Headlines

► As the war in Iraq passes the four-year mark, tours of duty are lengthened and recruitment standards are relaxed.

▼ To ease the mortgage crisis, the U.S. Senate passes legislation allowing homeowners with delinquent sub-prime mortgages to refinance into federally insured loans.



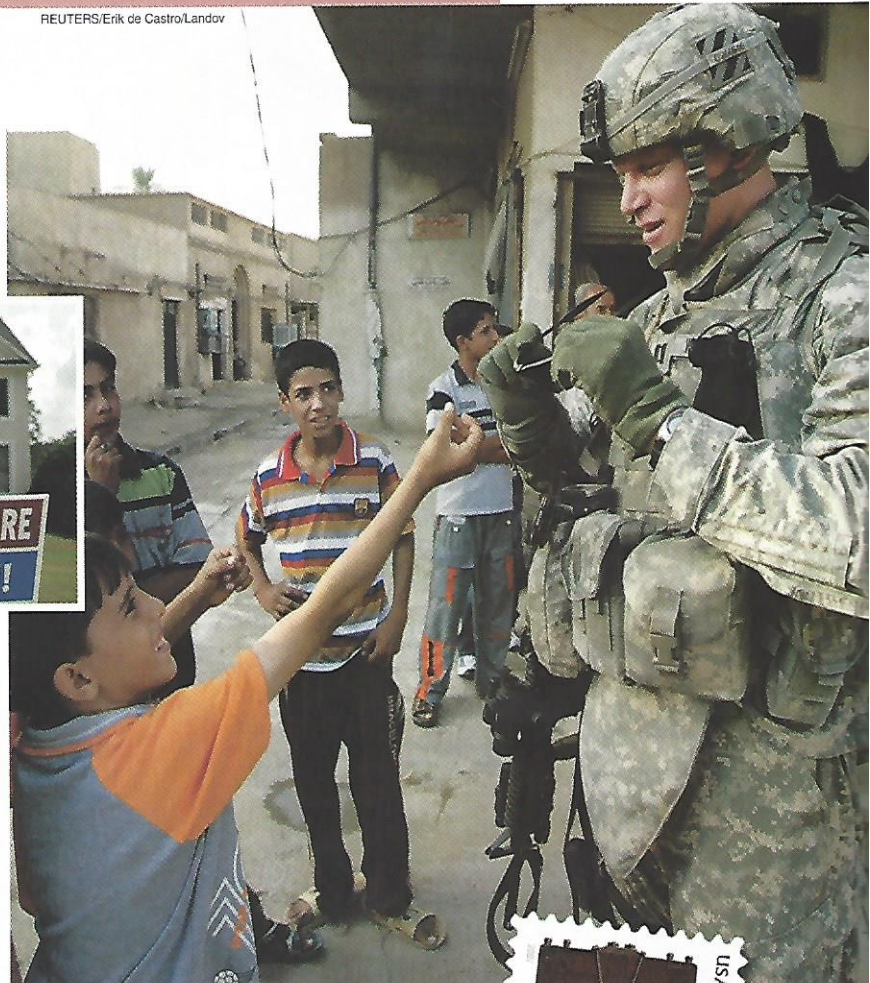
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◀ Several cities in the southeastern U.S. are mere months away from running out of water as drought conditions persist in the region.



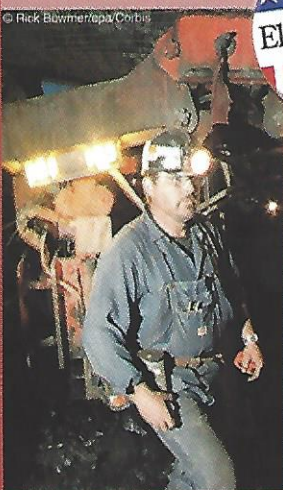
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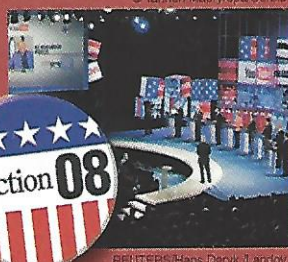


▼ Six men are trapped when a Utah coal mine collapses on August 6. Ten days later, the mine collapses again, killing three rescue workers. After four weeks the search ends.

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▲ During televised debates, Democratic and Republican presidential candidates answer tough questions submitted by voters via YouTube.

► The U.S. Postal Service issues a forever stamp featuring an image of the Liberty Bell. It will always be valid for first class postage on envelopes weighing one ounce or less.

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▲ The Nobel Peace Prize is awarded to former Vice President Al Gore and the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, represented by Dr. Rajendra Pachauri, for their efforts to call attention to global warming.



▼ Schools across the nation are thoroughly disinfected—and some are even shut down—to quell outbreaks of staph infections, including antibiotic-resistant strains.



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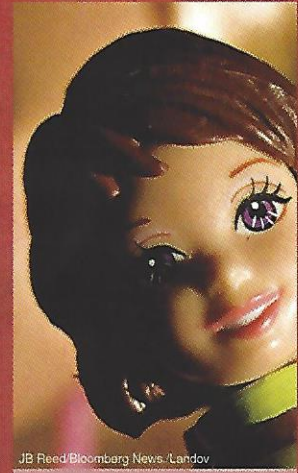
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▲ In late October, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger declares a state of emergency due to wildfires that burn more than half a million acres in southern California.

▼ Dozens of tornadoes tear across Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi, Kentucky and Alabama on February 5, 2008, killing nearly 60 people.



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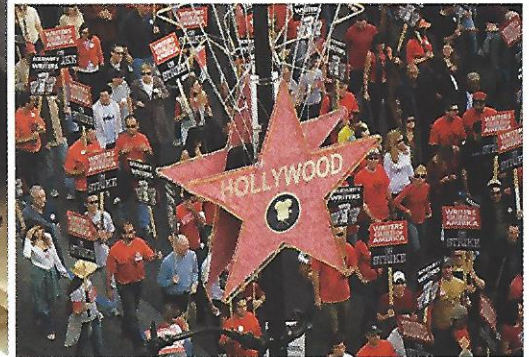
▲ American consumers lose their confidence in China's manufacturers when children's toys tainted with lead trigger widespread recalls.

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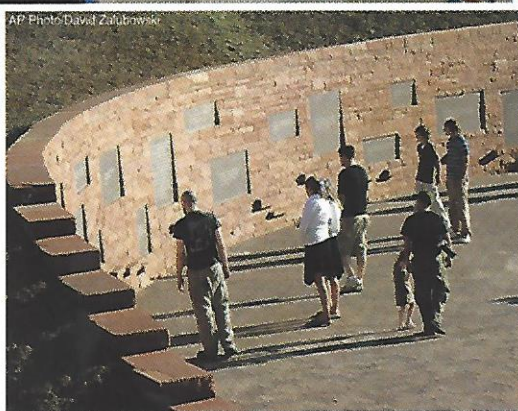
◀ The Nintendo "Wii-nomenon" sweeps the nation as the game console outplays the competition with sales of more than 13 million units.

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▲ Writers hit the picket lines and television production is halted for months when the Writers Guild of America goes on strike to protest compensation policies for new media such as iTunes downloads.

► In Littleton, Colorado, construction is completed on the \$1.5 million Columbine Memorial to the 13 victims of the 1999 shooting at Columbine High School.



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▲ On August 1, a six-lane I-35W bridge stretching across the Mississippi River in Minneapolis collapses into the river during the height of the afternoon rush hour.



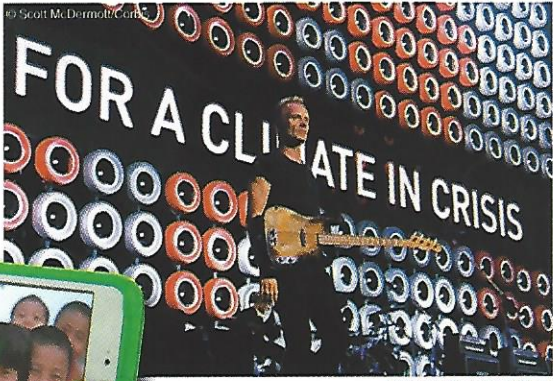
# Global

## The New Seven Wonders of the World

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- ▶ People around the world cast more than 100 million online votes to determine the New Seven Wonders of the World. The winning wonders are announced at a gala in Lisbon.
- ▼ More than 150 of the world's leading music acts perform in concerts staged around the world for Live Earth, a star-studded event to draw attention to the global climate crisis.

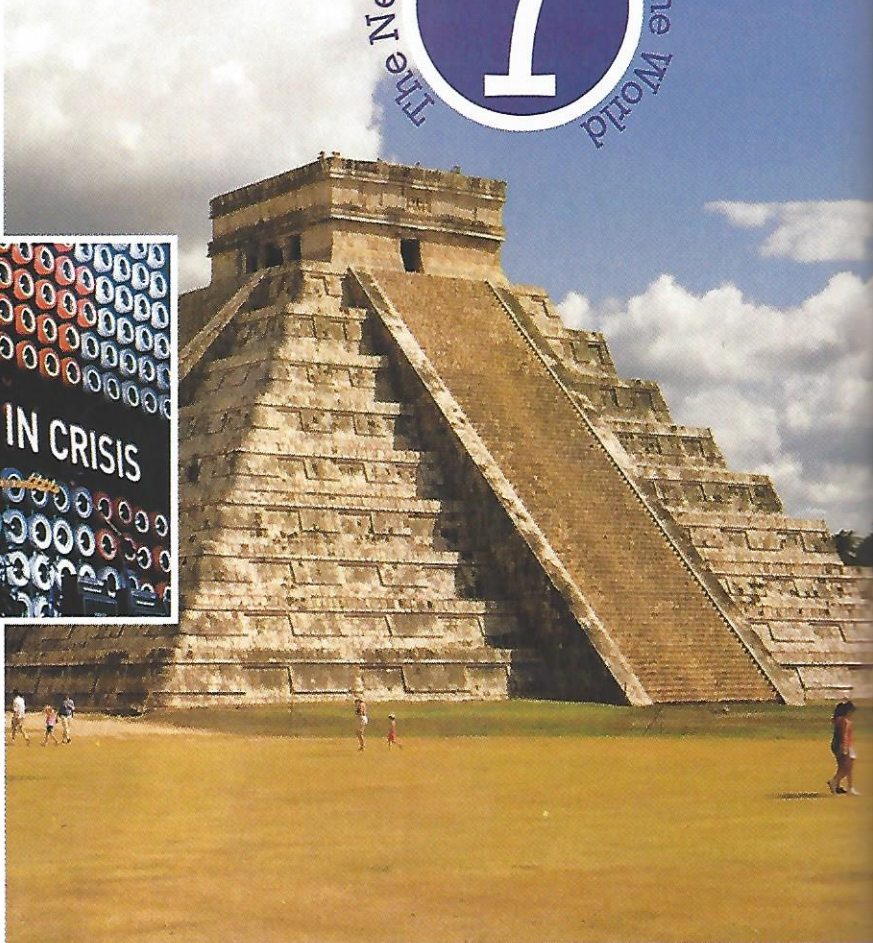


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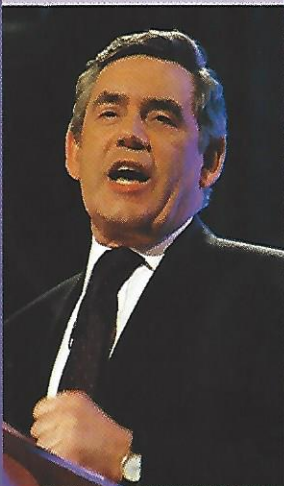


One Laptop Per Child

- ◀ The One Laptop Per Child Foundation launches a limited-time "Give One, Get One" program to spur donations of XO \$100 laptops to children in developing nations.



- ▼ Labour Party leader Gordon Brown succeeds Tony Blair as the new Prime Minister of the United Kingdom of Great Britain.



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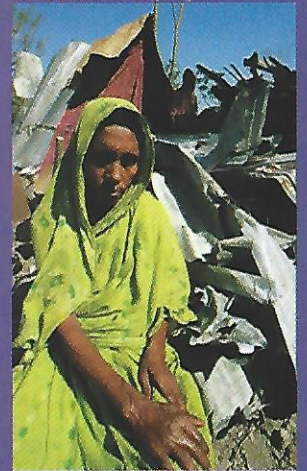
- ▲ The melting of the Arctic Sea ice spurs an international network of climate scientists to conclude that global warming is indisputable, and that human activity has been causing temperatures to rise since 1950.

- ▼ In December, Pakistani opposition leader Benazir Bhutto is assassinated following a political rally in Rawalpindi, Pakistan.



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- ▲ Tropical cyclone Sidr is the deadliest storm to hit Bangladesh in a decade. It destroys thousands of homes, ruins crops and forces more than a million villagers to evacuate.



# Sci-Tech

▼ U.S. astronaut Peggy Whitson is the first female commander at the International Space Station.



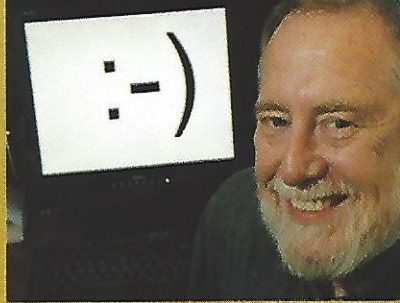
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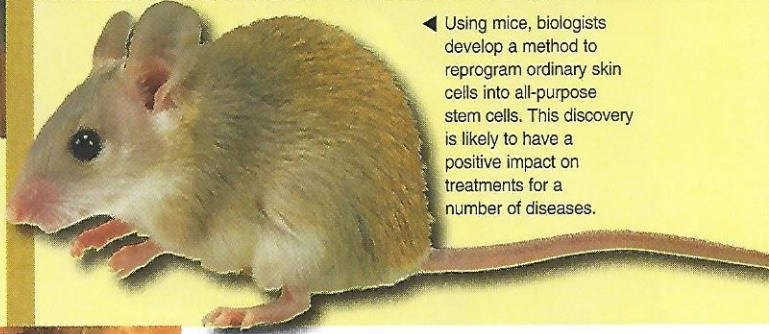
▲ Black bears make headlines in Utah, Wyoming and New Mexico as park rangers and wilderness homeowners report raids on backpacks, tents, trash cans and even kitchens.

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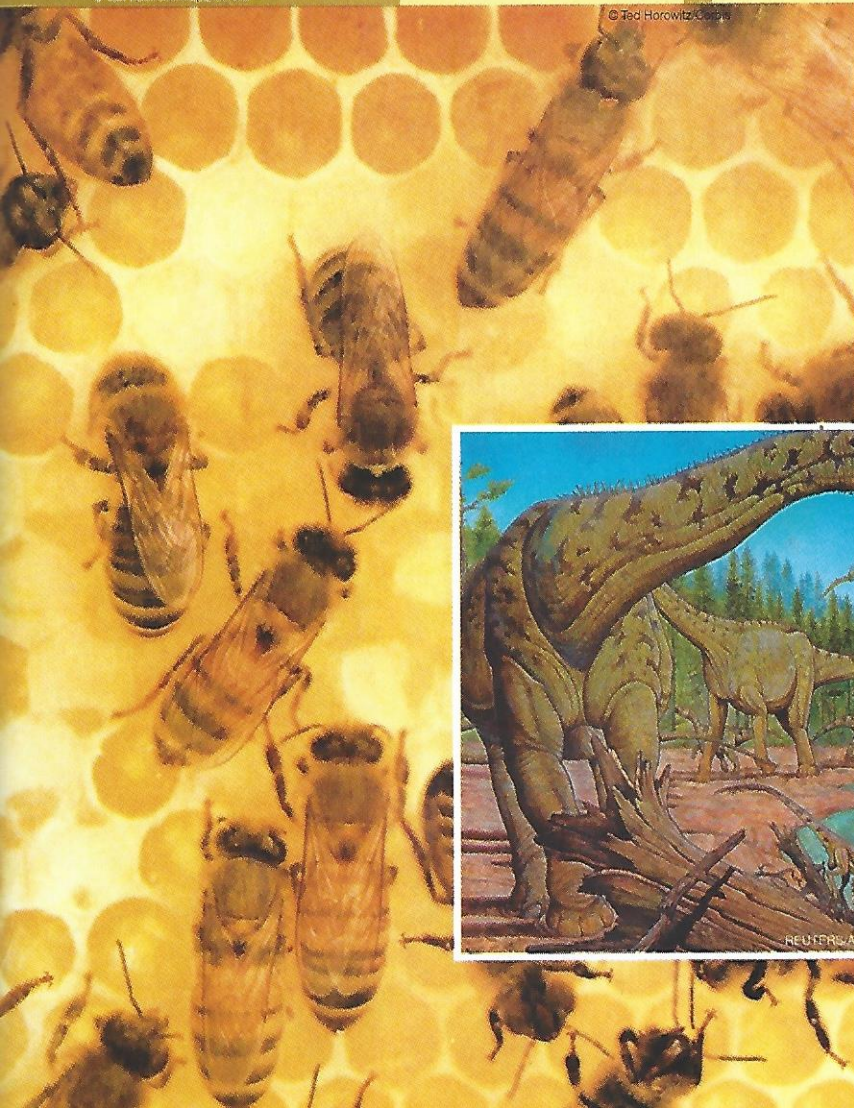


◀ The digital smiley face celebrates its 25th birthday. Its inventor, Carnegie Mellon professor Scott E. Fahlman, first used the icon on an electronic bulletin board in 1982.

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◀ Using mice, biologists develop a method to reprogram ordinary skin cells into all-purpose stem cells. This discovery is likely to have a positive impact on treatments for a number of diseases.

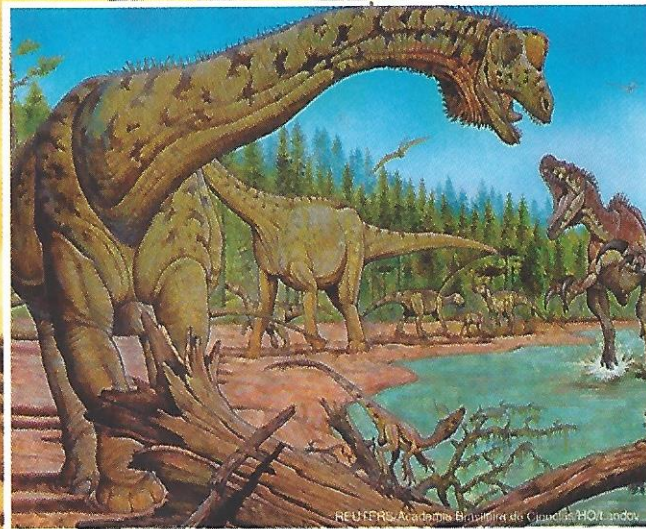
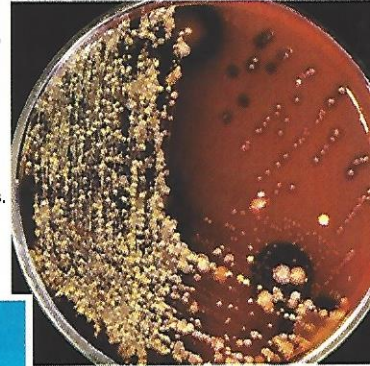


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◀ Crops are threatened when honeybee colonies in the U.S. and Europe suffer from Colony Collapse Disorder, losing up to 70 percent of their bees due to unknown causes.

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▶ In a medical experiment, salmonella germs take a ride on the space shuttle. When they return to Earth, the germs are far more lethal than their earthbound counterparts.



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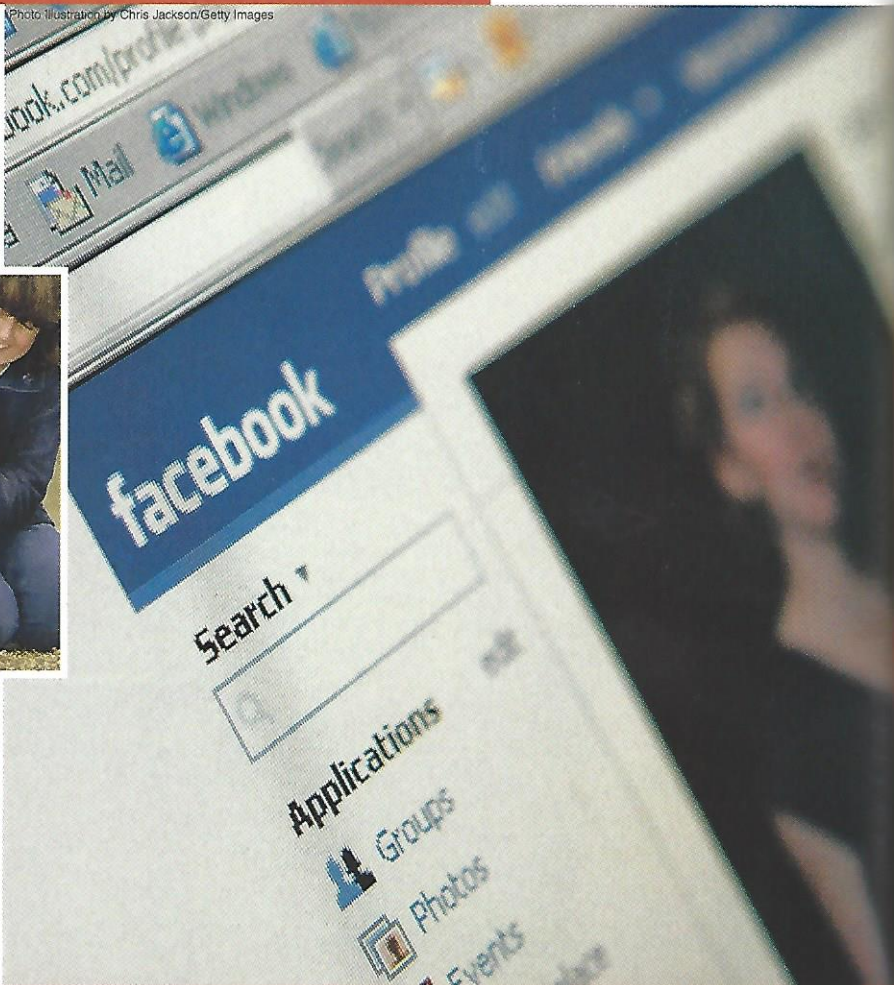
◀ An excavation site in Argentina yields the fossilized remains of a previously unknown species of dinosaur, the Futalognkosaurus dukei, measuring more than 105 feet.



# Lifestyle

- ▶ Social networking websites continue to surge in popularity. MySpace and Facebook remain dominant as the sites of choice for young people and inspire a host of innovative imitators.
- ▼ Concerns about overweight dogs and cats hit the headlines. Veterinarians prescribe a regimen of fewer treats, more walks around the neighborhood and no people food.

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- ▶ The healthy growth trend for vitamin waters and other nutrient-boosted consumables continues with the introduction of specialized formulas for immunity, focus and more.

- ▼ User-generated content grows more popular as network television shows, mainstream musical acts and wannabe media stars join amateur home moviemakers on YouTube. One of the most-watched videos of 2007 features a feline pianist.



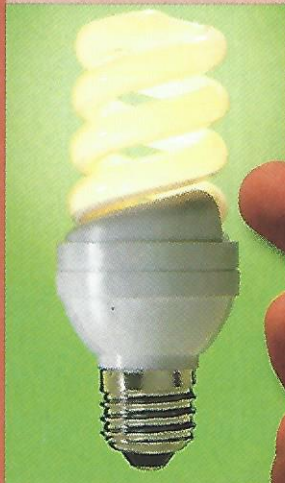
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- ▲ Higher prices for coffee beans do not lessen the nation's craving for coffeehouses. Independents and chains alike continue to be popular with younger consumers.

- ▼ Concerns over the environment and increasing energy costs create a growing consumer demand for energy-saving, long-lasting compact fluorescent light bulbs.



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- ▼ The Apple iPhone, with its revolutionary touch screen, packs mobile phone, camera, iPod, Web browser, email and IM capabilities into a sleek, portable package.

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# Trends

▼ Cute and comfy baby doll jumper tops and dresses with button straps start as a summer trend and morph into fall fashion layered over close-fitting sweaters and matching tights.

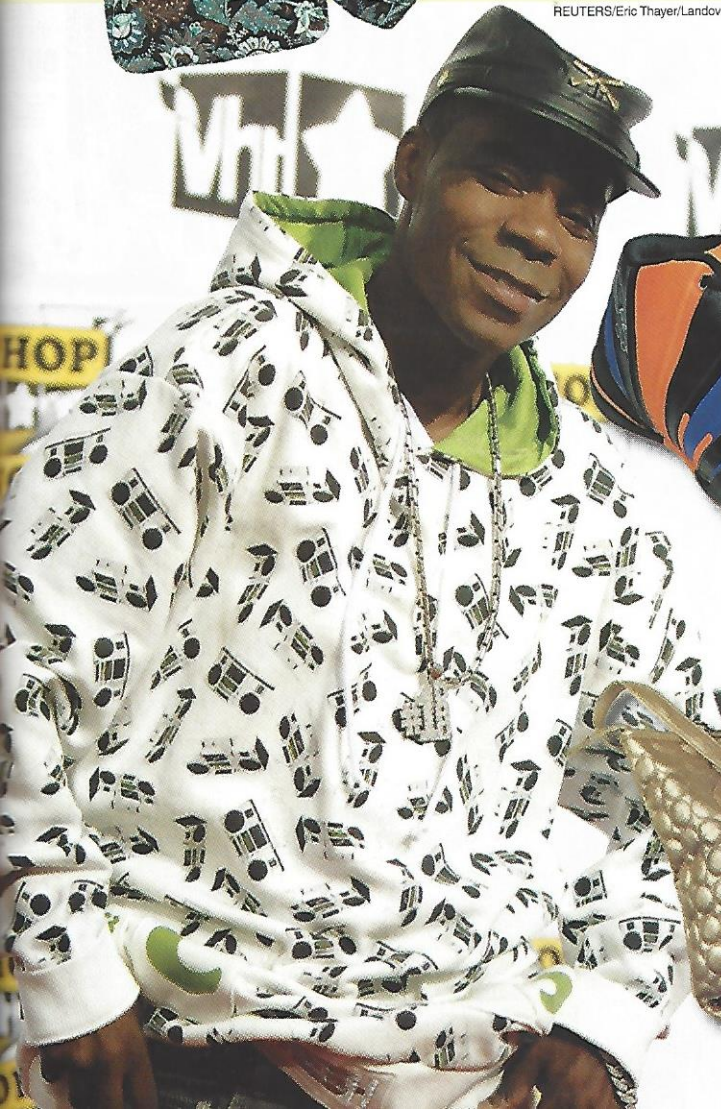


◀ The A-line silhouette comes to outerwear, as swingy trapeze coats become one of the year's most surprising fashion must-haves.

▶ Fashion takes a look back to the 1980s with the return of leg warmers, worn as an accessory with short skirts or skinny jeans and fashionable ballet flats or moccasins.

◀ Quilted Vera Bradley handbags and totes sweep college campuses, sororities and high school hallways from coast to coast.

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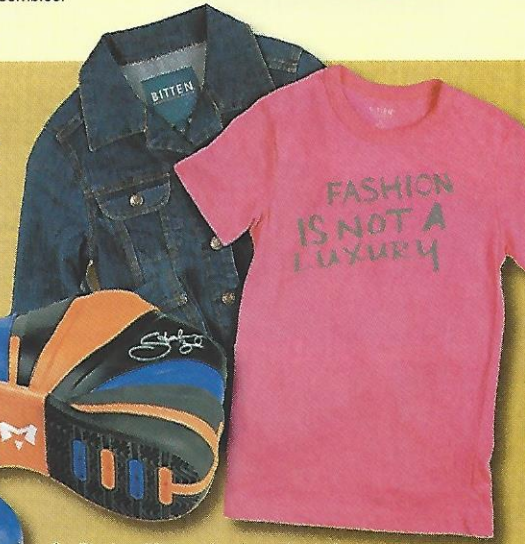
◀ Under Armour athletic apparel is a popular fashion choice for athletes both on and off the field.



▶ The ubiquitous, slouchy suede Ugg boot is reinvented with cozy knitted uppers that keep toes toasty and add a soft, tweedy, textured look to fall and winter ensembles.

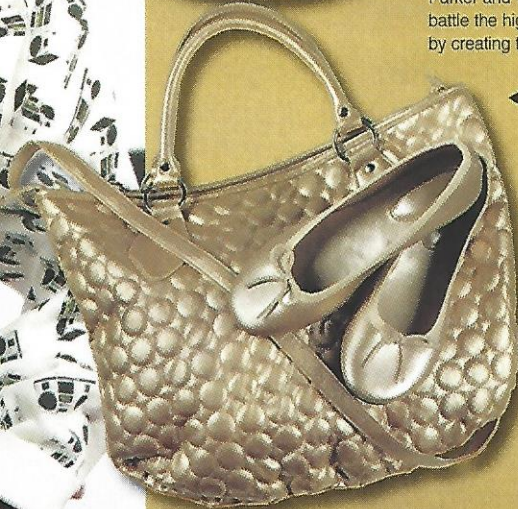


◀ Guys sport patterned hoodies that are worn alone or layered under jackets and blazers for an edgy, urban look.



▲ Stephon Marbury inspires a host of celebrities, including Sarah Jessica Parker and Venus Williams, to battle the high-priced fashion industry by creating their own affordable apparel.

◀ The craze for oversized leather bags—in metallic shades of copper, silver and gold—inspires a trend for matching footwear in daytime and nighttime looks.

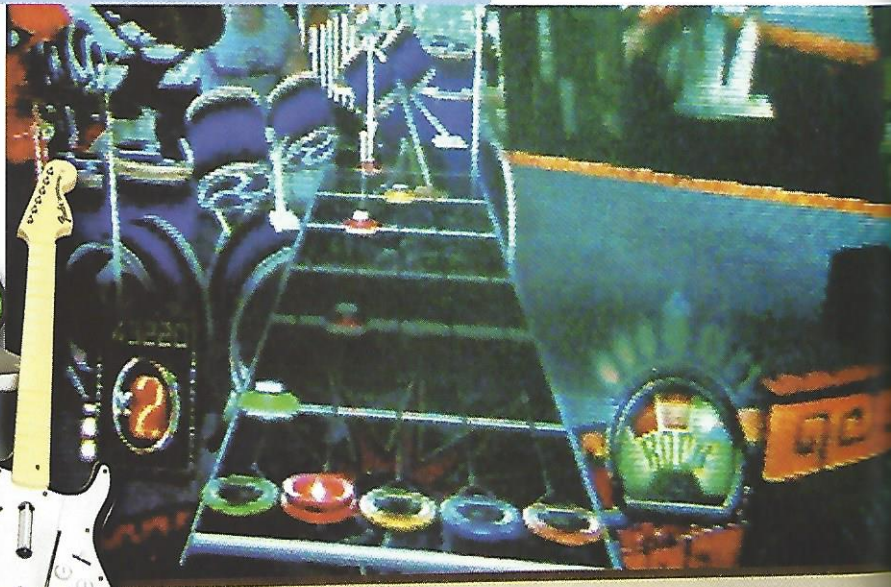
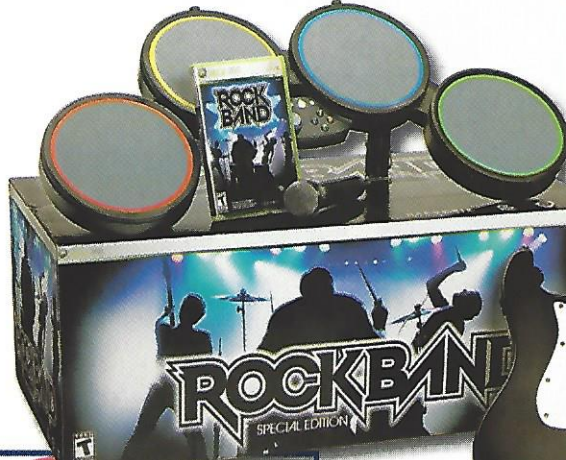




# Entertainment

▼ The music video game *Guitar Hero III: Legends of Rock* is released with a soundtrack of 71 playable songs. Slash and other real-life guitarists appear as in-game characters.

▼ The music video game *Rock Band* is released for Xbox 360 and PlayStation 3. Players perform together in virtual bands, using peripherals to hit notes as they scroll onscreen.

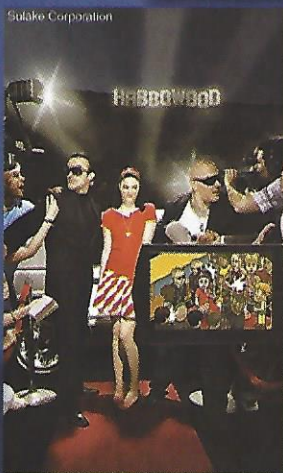
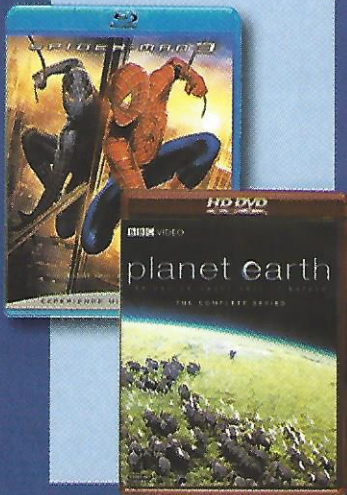


◀ Even after *lonelygirl15* is revealed as a fictitious character, her popular storyline continues for a full season as an Internet dramedy series on YouTube and MySpace.



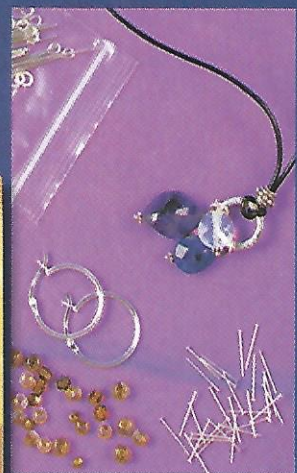
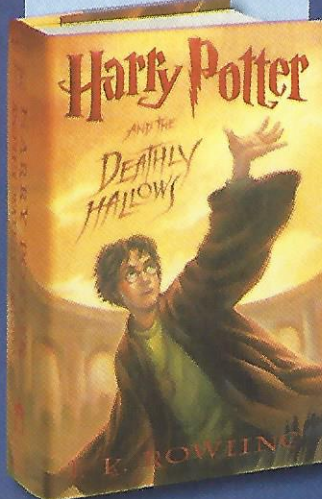
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▼ After a two-year format war, Toshiba pulls its HD DVD product out of contention, leaving Sony Blu-ray as the sole next-generation successor to DVD.



▲ Large-scale multiplayer online gaming gives rise to virtual worlds where players interact via avatars and the computer-generated environment is similar to the real world.

▼ *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows*, the seventh and final book in the enormously popular series, is released. Its first U.S. print run is a record-breaking 12 million copies.



▲ Beading makes a comeback as a way to relax and creatively spend time with friends.



# Television

▼ The second season of NBC's *Heroes* continues the adventures of ordinary people with extraordinary powers and reveals more about the shadowy dealings of "The Company."



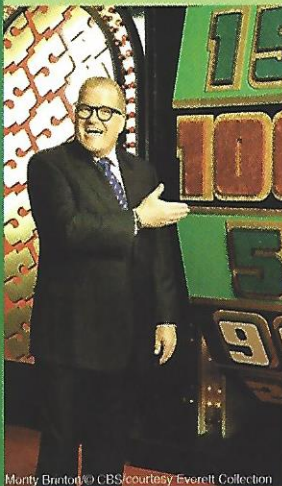
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▲ *High School Musical 2* becomes the highest-rated cable broadcast in the nation's history when 17.2 million U.S. viewers tune in to the Disney Channel for its debut.

▼ In the 36th season of CBS's *The Price Is Right*, host Bob Barker retires and comedian Drew Carey takes over the helm at the world's second-longest-running game show.



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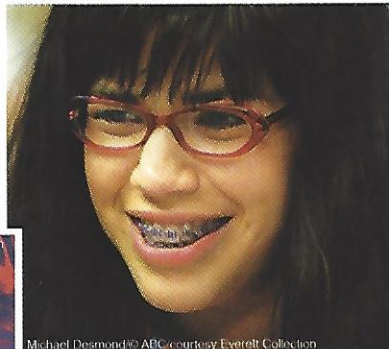
▲ The NBC drama series *Friday Night Lights*, about a fictional high school football team, is taped documentary-style, without rehearsals, to give it a more authentic feeling.



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◀ On The CW, Blake Lively portrays socialite teen Serena van der Woodsen in *Gossip Girl*, a drama series that follows the lives of prep school students from New York's Upper East Side.

▶ America Ferrera, who plays Betty Suarez on the popular ABC comedy-drama *Ugly Betty*, is the first Latina to win the Emmy for Outstanding Lead Actress in a Comedy Series.



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◀ ABC's *Dancing with the Stars* rules the ratings thanks to popular celebrity participants such as Sabrina Bryan of The Cheetah Girls.

## Favorite TV Shows:

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# Movies

▼ A 90-minute episode of *The Simpsons* takes six years to make. *The Simpsons Movie* finally makes its big-screen debut and is a major hit.

▼ Shia LaBeouf portrays a teenager who is plunged into a high-tech battle between good and evil alien robots in *Transformers*, a live action adaptation of the 1980s cartoon series.



## THE SIMPSONS MOVIE



◀ *Atonement* receives seven Golden Globe nominations, including lead acting nods for Keira Knightley and James McAvoy.



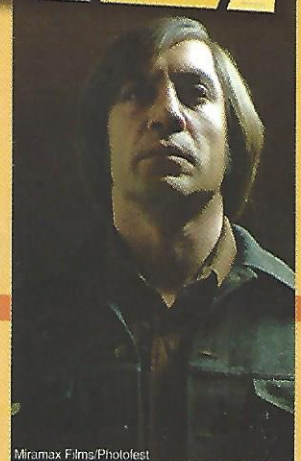
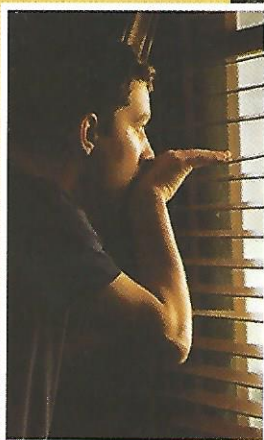
▶ Disney's *National Treasure: Book of Secrets* nets the third-highest box-office total ever for a Christmas weekend release.



▼ *The Great Debaters*, based on the real-life victories of a black debate team in the 1930s, receives eight NAACP Image Award nominations.



▶ *Disturbia*, a surprise hit thriller about a bored teenager under house arrest who thinks his next-door neighbor may be a notorious serial killer, spends three weeks at the top of the box office.



▲ Joel and Ethan Coen write and direct *No Country for Old Men*, a film adaptation of Cormac McCarthy's bleak, moody modern western novel. The film receives eight Oscar nominations.

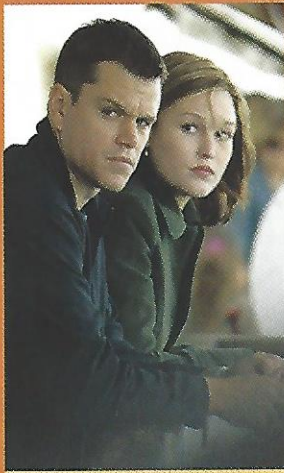


▼ In *I Am Legend*, Will Smith is the last man alive in New York, after a man-made virus wipes out most of the world's population and turns the survivors into dangerous mutants.



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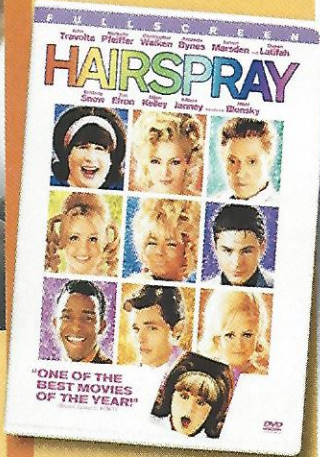
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▲ Matt Damon reprises his role as amnesiac CIA assassin Jason Bourne for *The Bourne Ultimatum*, the third film in the Bourne trilogy based on Robert Ludlum's novels.

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▼ Starring Zac Efron, Amanda Bynes and newcomer Nikki Blonsky, *Hairspray* is a zany musical based on the Broadway smash hit.



## Best Picture Oscar Nominations

*Atonement*

*Juno*

*Michael Clayton*

*No Country for Old Men*

*There Will Be Blood*

◀ After a 19-year hiatus, Harrison Ford returns as Steven Spielberg's adventurous archaeologist in *Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull*.



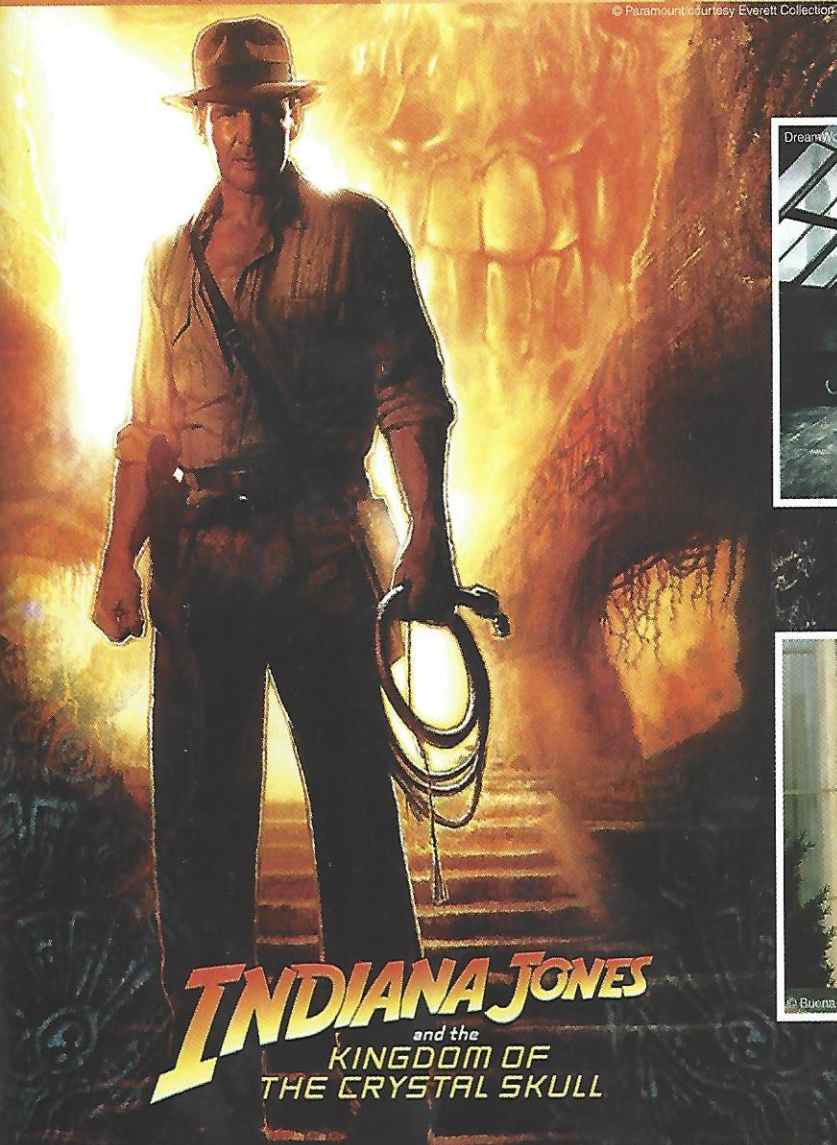
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▲ Tim Burton directs and Johnny Depp stars as the title character in *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber of Fleet Street*, an adaptation of the hit Broadway musical.



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▲ Using a combination of live action and animation, *Enchanted* tells the story of Giselle, a fairy-tale character seeking a "happily ever after" ending in modern-day Manhattan.



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# Music

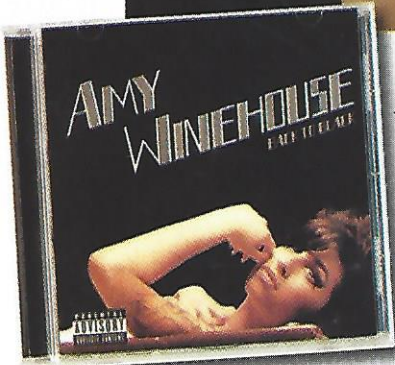
▼ Fergie continues to place singles from her triple-platinum solo album, *The Dutchess*, on the *Billboard* charts.

▼ Fall Out Boy headlines the Honda Civic tour, performs at Live Earth concerts and reaches the top of the charts with the release of their album *Infinity on High*.

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◀ British singer Amy Winehouse brings back the beehive and wins five Grammy awards for her work on *Back To Black*.

▼ Canadian pop singer Feist enjoys soaring sales for her third solo album, *The Reminder*, after the single "1234" is featured in a commercial for the iPod nano.

Dustin Rubin Photography



Robert Pitts/Landov



▲ Rihanna records her third album, *Good Girl Gone Bad*, featuring Jay-Z and Ne-Yo. She receives six Grammy nominations.

▼ Newcomer Sean Kingston tops the U.S. *Billboard* Hot 100 and Pop 100 with "Beautiful Girls," his first single from his self-titled debut album.



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▲ Malibu singer-songwriter Colbie Caillat rises to stardom from MySpace. Her song "Bubbly" garners more than 81 million plays and her CD goes platinum.

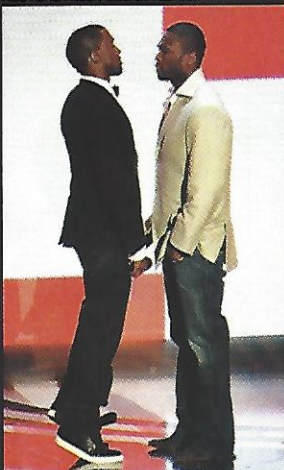


▼ Carrie Underwood releases her double-platinum second album, *Carnival Ride*, and contributes the Oscar-nominated song "Ever Ever After" to the soundtrack for the movie *Enchanted*.



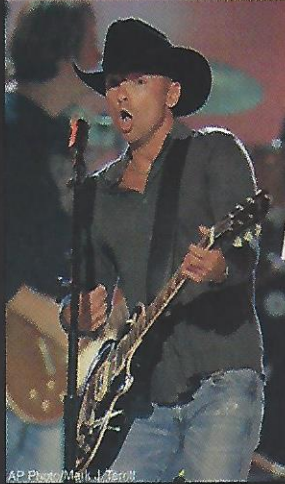
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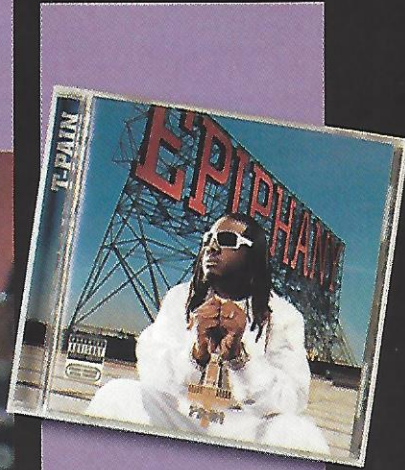


▲ After facing off at the MTV Music Awards, rapper rivals Kanye West and 50 Cent release albums on September 11 and vie for top sales. Kanye's *Graduation* is the victor.

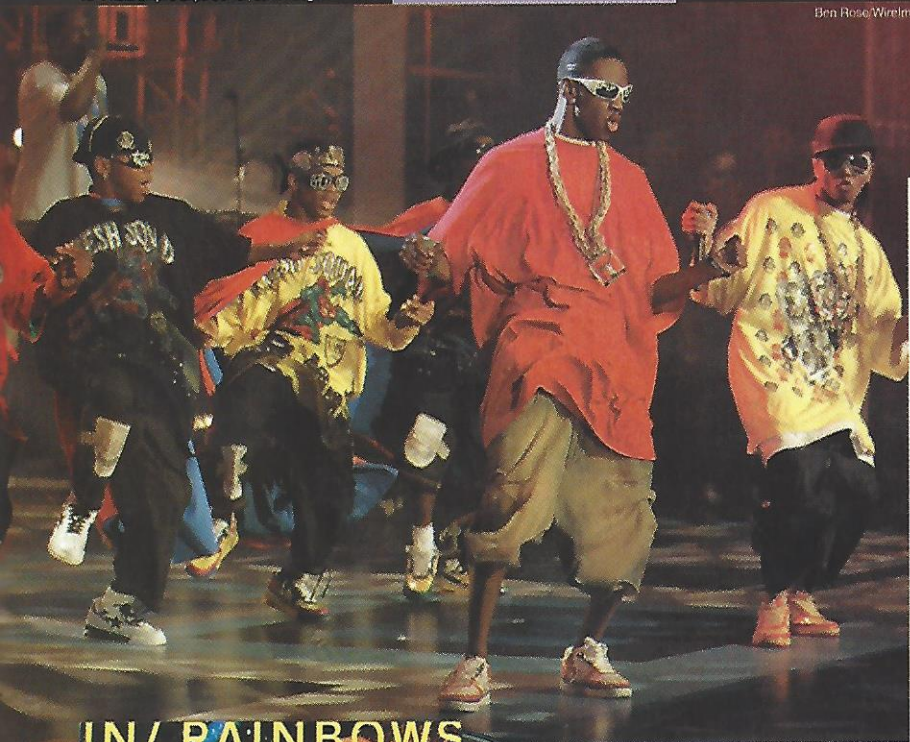
▼ Country star Kenny Chesney releases his 13th album, *Just Who I Am: Poets & Pirates*. His Flip Flop summer tour is the highest-grossing country tour of 2007.



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▲ Hip-hop artist T-Pain releases his second album, *Epiphany*. The album receives four 2008 Grammy nominations and the Vibe 2007 Song of the Year Award.



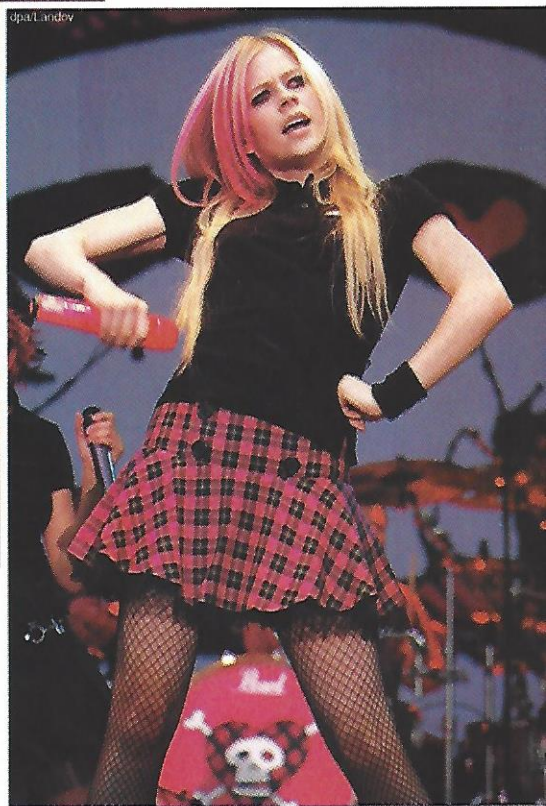
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◀ Soulja Boy reaches the top of the *Billboard* Hot 100 with the single "Crank That (Soulja Boy)" and his distinctive, loose-limbed dance style becomes a nationwide craze.

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◀ Radiohead invites listeners and fans to pay whatever they want for a digital download of their highly acclaimed seventh album, *In Rainbows*. A "discbox" edition, with standard CD and vinyl LP, is released in January 2008.



▲ Punk-pop princess Avril Lavigne releases her third album, *The Best Damn Thing*, featuring "Girlfriend," her first No.1 single on the *Billboard* Top 100.



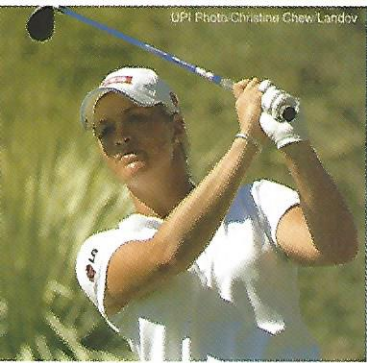
# Sports

▼ The American League Champion Boston Red Sox defeat the National League Champion Colorado Rockies in a decisive four-game sweep to capture their second World Series title in four years.

▼ Tiger Woods achieves his record 14th World Golf Championships win at the WGC-Bridgestone Invitational and claims his 60th PGA Tour win at the BMW Championship.

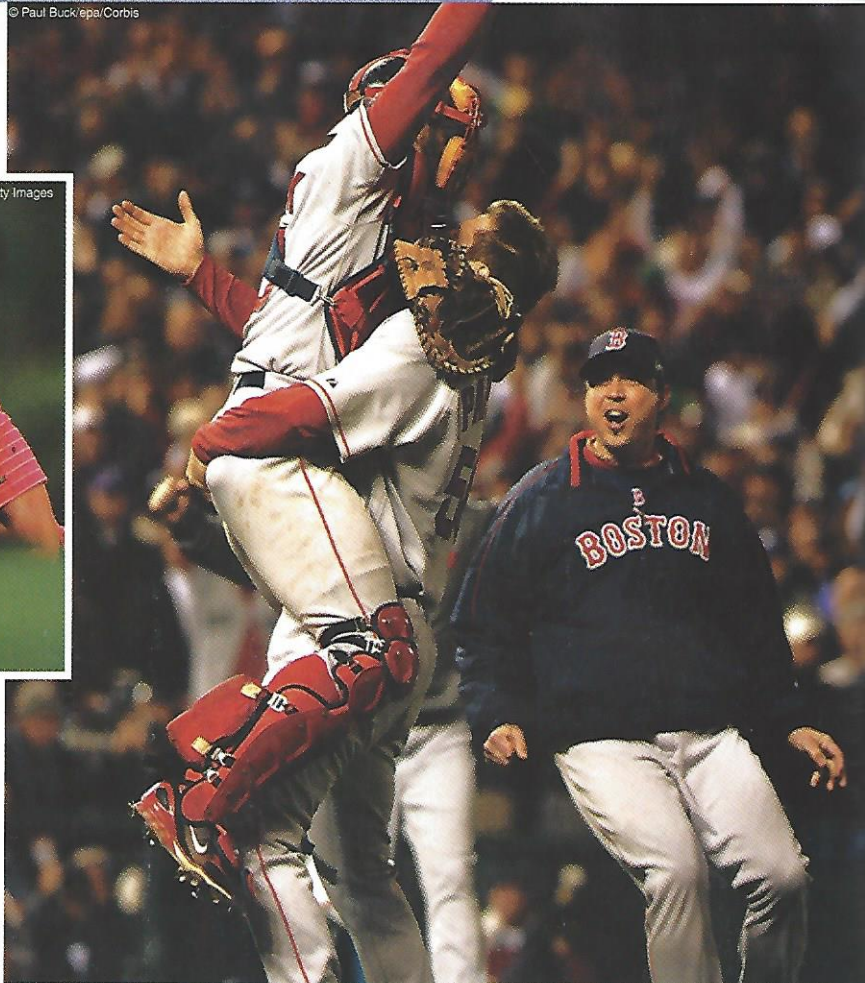


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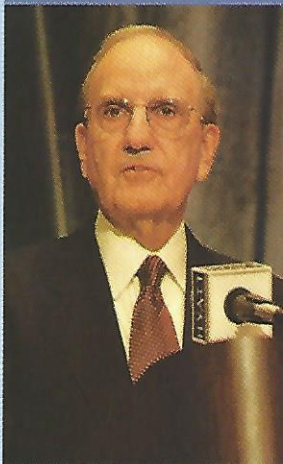
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◀ Norwegian golfer Suzann Pettersen wins five LPGA events including her first major championship in a break out season.



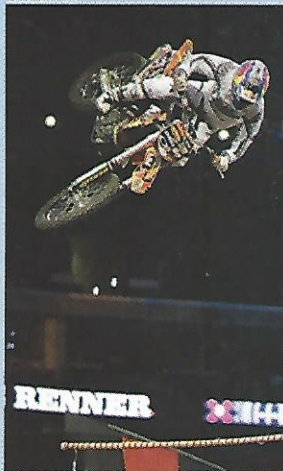
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▼ Former Senator George Mitchell releases a list of Major League Baseball players, including seven MVPs and 31 All-Stars, under investigation for illegal use of steroids and other performance-enhancing drugs.



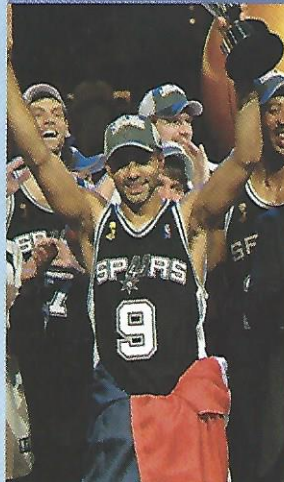
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▲ At X-Games 13, Ricky Carmichael wins the first MotoX Racing Circuit, Simon Tabron does back-to-back 900s in BMX Vert and Jake Brown survives a 40-foot fall.

▼ The veteran San Antonio Spurs, led by Tim Duncan, beat the Cleveland Cavaliers and their young phenom, LeBron James, in a 4-0 sweep to win the 2007 NBA finals.



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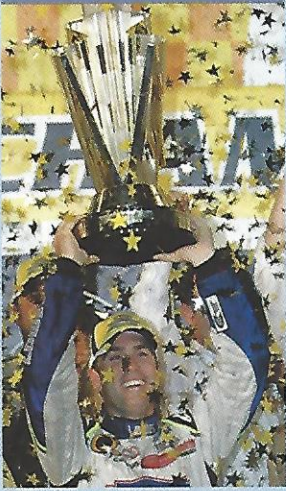
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▲ The LSU Tigers pounce on Ohio State early on their way to a 38-24 victory. LSU is the first two-loss team to compete for and win the BCS National Championship.



▼ California native Jimmie Johnson speeds to victory as the 2007 NASCAR Nextel Cup Champion, defeating his Hendrick Motorsports teammate Jeff Gordon by 77 points.



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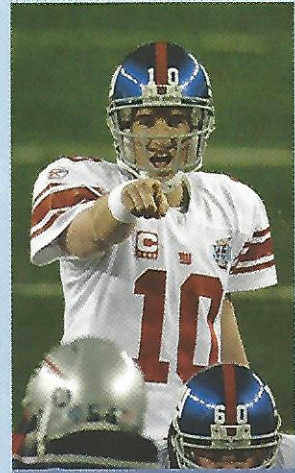
▲ Athletes from around the world train for the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing as the city prepares for the arrival of hundreds of competitors and millions of spectators.

▼ The Anaheim Ducks claim their first Stanley Cup, beating the Ottawa Senators in five games for the 2007 NHL championship.



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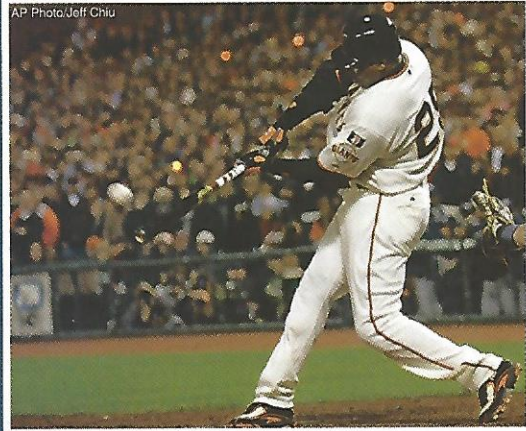


▲ Super Bowl XLII MVP Eli Manning leads the New York Giants on a last-minute scoring drive to upset the heavily favored New England Patriots 17-14, shattering the Patriots' bid for a perfect 19-0 season.



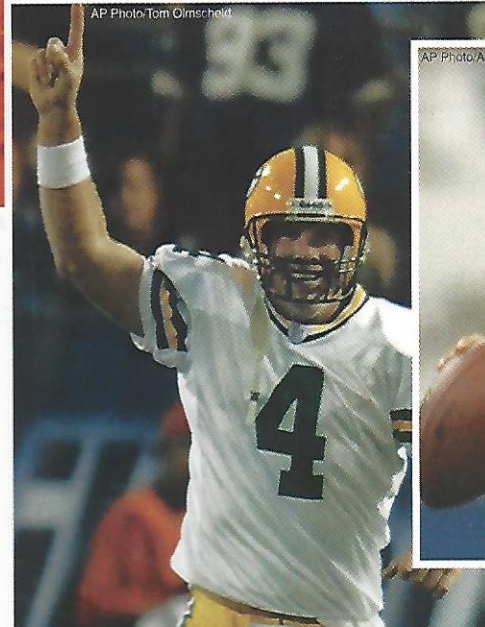
◀ Belgian Justine Henin defeats Russian Svetlana Kuznetsova 6-1, 6-3 to win her second U.S. Open title in New York.

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▲ Power hitters Barry Bonds, Frank Thomas, Alex "A-Rod" Rodriguez, Craig Biggio and Jim Thome all achieve home run milestones in their Major League Baseball careers.

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▶ Brett Favre of the Green Bay Packers surpasses Dan Marino's touchdown pass record with number 422. 2007 NFL MVP Tom Brady of the New England Patriots sets the single regular-season mark for touchdown passes with 50.

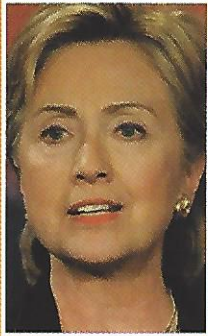
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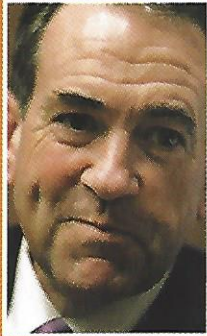
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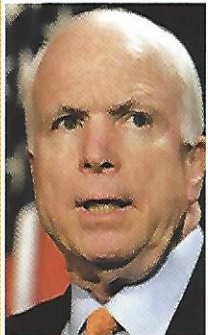
After Super Tuesday primaries on February 5, 2008, the presidential race heats up among frontrunners Hillary Clinton, Mike Huckabee, John McCain and Barack Obama.



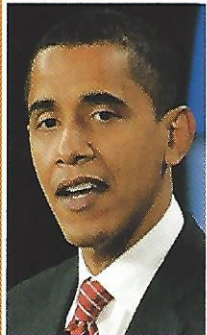
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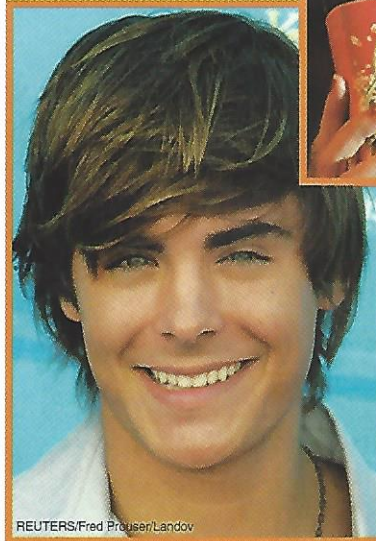
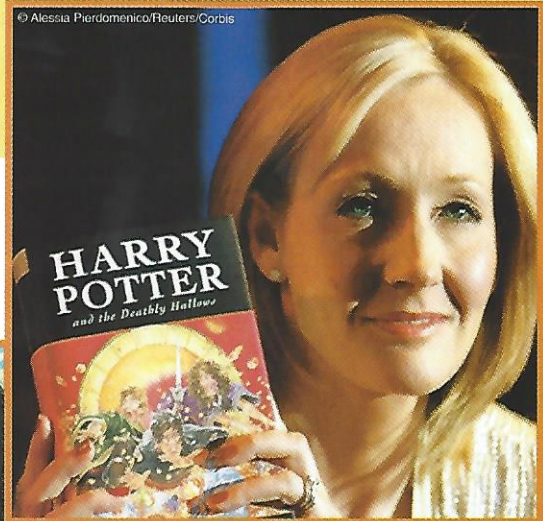


John McCain



Barack Obama

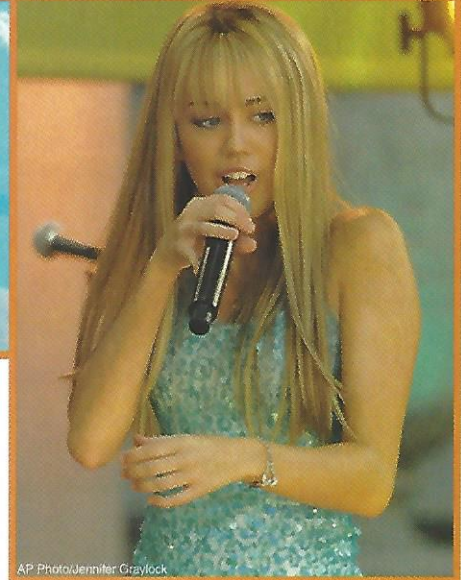
► *Entertainment Weekly* names J.K. Rowling—author of the seven-volume, 4,100-page Harry Potter series of best-selling children's books—as its Entertainer of the Year.



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▲ Heartthrob Zac Efron, who came to fame with his performance in the first *High School Musical*, becomes an even bigger teen star with the release of *High School Musical 2*.

► The Best of Both Worlds tour, starring Miley Cyrus as Hannah Montana, sells out in every city, prompting ticket lotteries, heartbroken fans and scalping scandals.



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▼ In January 2008, Academy Award-nominated actor Heath Ledger, 28, is found dead in his Lower Manhattan apartment from an accidental overdose of prescription medication.



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▲ Multi-talented star Queen Latifah becomes the latest spokeswoman for Jenny Craig. Her message isn't about getting skinny, but about losing weight to reduce the risk of Type 2 diabetes.

▼ At London's Wembley Stadium, Princes William and Harry host the Concert for Diana to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the death of their mother, the Princess of Wales.



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▲ As Izzie Stevens on ABC's *Grey's Anatomy*, Katherine Heigl is a small-screen star. As Anne Fletcher in the comedy *27 Dresses*, she conquers the big screen as well.

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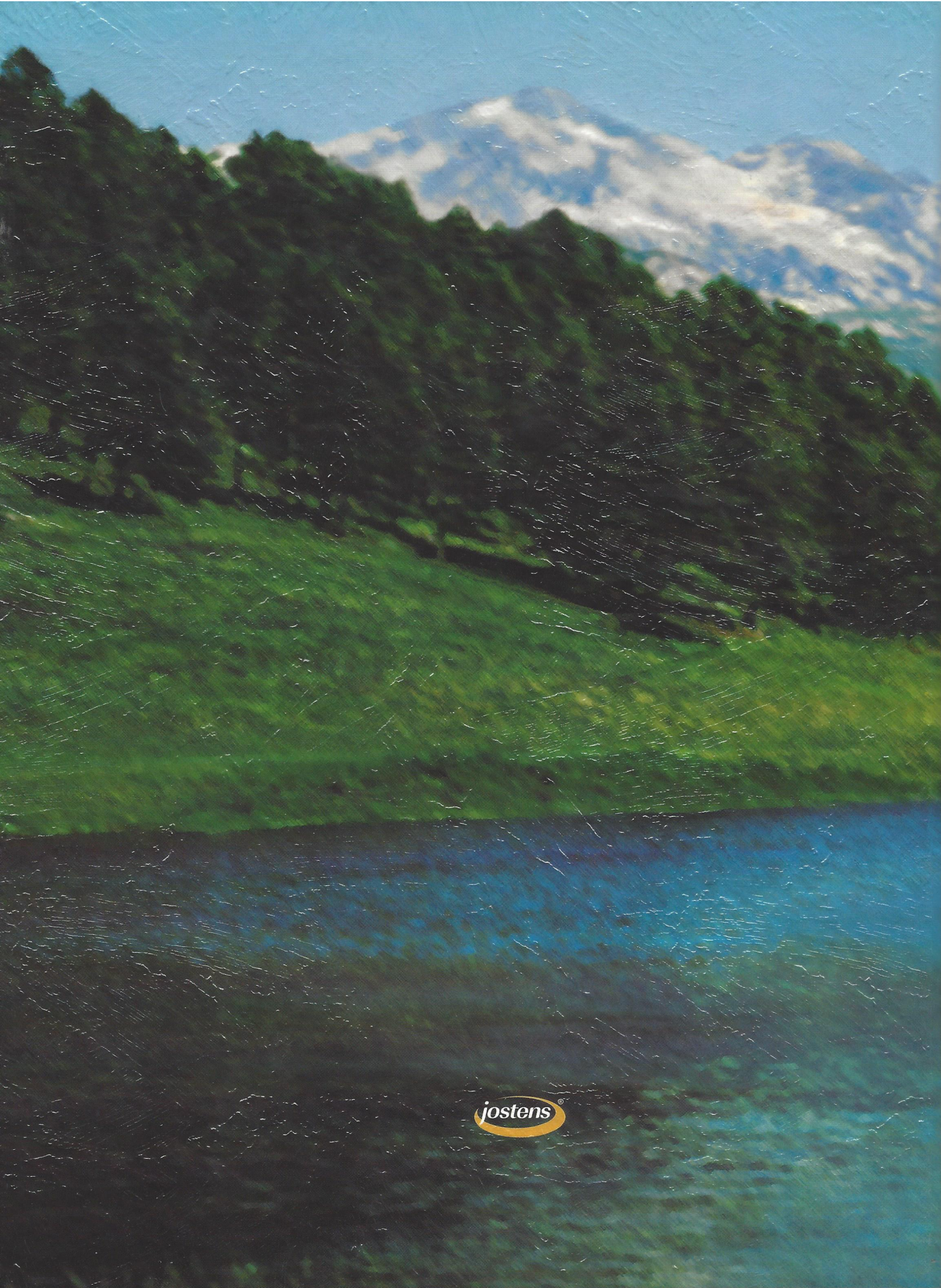












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