

Any Older . . . or Just “Legal”?

While some seniors looked forward to spring break, prom, or graduation, some merely looked forward to their eighteenth birthdays. For many, the occasion marked a time of growth, maturity, and voting registration. However, for most seniors it marked a time of partying, partying, and more partying.

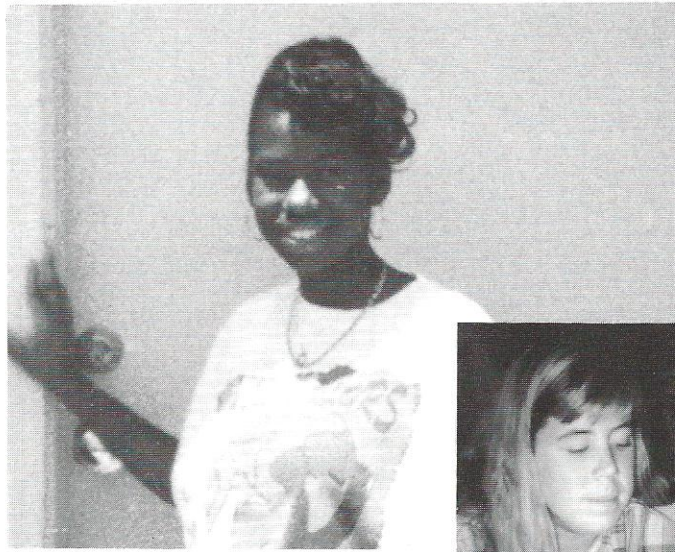
Birthday celebrations ranged greatly from a quiet family get-together to a loud stampede of friends at the Saddle Club.

“On my eighteenth birthday, I spent the evening with my family at home,” said senior Angel Hamilton. “I was very surprised to come home to a birthday cake and presents because my family acted like they had forgotten all day long.”

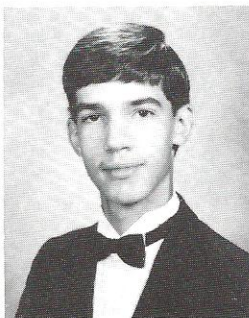
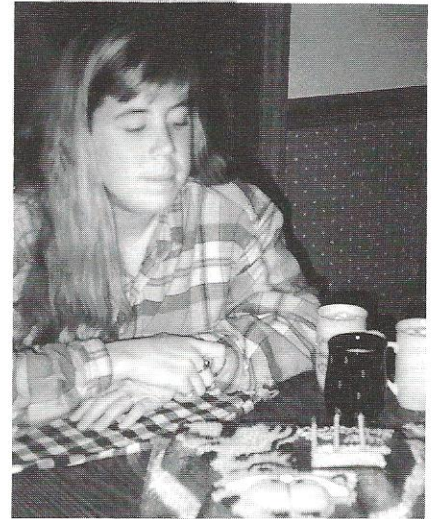
Although most had great eighteenth birthdays, some seniors experienced nightmarish dramas. For example, senior Chris Fortner spent his birthday wondering how he was going to pay his “birthday speeding ticket.”

“The day before my birthday I was on my way home when a highway patrolman pulled me for driving 70 mph in a 55 mph zone,” recalled Chris. “That was the worst gift I could have ever received.”

— Chrissy Lockaby



Okay, just one picture! Senior Angel Hamilton smiles for her aunt before walking in to her family surprise party. Her family planned her surprise eighteenth birthday party to be at her aunt's apartment.

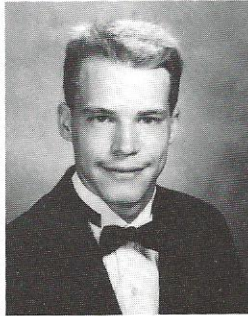
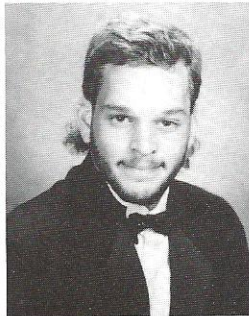


Shelby Ulrich: NHS; Band (9,10,11,12); Softball* (10,11,12); Drama Club (9); FCA, Sec. (10,11,12); Golden Paw

Dathan Varnadoc: Band (9,10,11,12)

Monica Varnadoc: FFA (10,11); FBLA Treasurer (11,12)

Katina Wade: Modeling Club, Pres. (11), V-P (12)



Stephanie Wade: Band (9,10); Modeling Club, Sec. (12); Homecoming Queen

Wilson Walker

Philip Walls

Christina Ward: Cheerleading (11); FFA (10,11); Spirit Club (12); HOSA (12)