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## Yesterday's Wishes

Nineteen ninety-nine - the end of a historical millennium. So many things happened up till ' 99 that it would be impossible to remember everything. However, many people tend to remember their own high school days or college life, while most high school students are looking ahead.
Our high school lives are filled with so many memories, dreams, and hopes that it would take a million books to record them all. These dreams, these memories and hopes are what make us who we are or determine who we will become.

Right now it's time to remember one of many years gone by. Let's take a look at 1999.

p. Lacey Ahlbrecht and Jennifer Mochincelebrate their bond of friendship on ins Day.
nter. Waconia High School stands oud and strong.
3ht. Senior friends Krystle Weinzierl, hny Meuwissen, Desiree Schesso and chelle Rosin make one of thousands of emories while taking senior photos.

## Pawprints 1999 Waconia High School

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 Waconia, Minnesota 55387

## Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow

"We must remember our past in order to make our future." Author unknown

Since 1999 marks the end of the century/millennium, the yearbook staff didn't want to focus only on the future, but also on the past. In our mind's eye, "Our futures lie before us, precious, perfect, and pure."

We all have an idea of what we want in the future and see ourselves achieving those goals. "Yet our memories of the past remain in our minds, forever." Even while we look forward to our futures, we can't help but reminisce about our
pasts. The friends, family and fun times we shared help to make up these precious memories. Mineteen ninety-nine was a year for both remembrance and expectations of the future.


"When I look at the future it's so bright it burns my eyes." Oprah Winfrey

Opposite page, top. The class of 1999 forms a "W" as they plan their futures away from Waconia High School.
Opposite page, bottom left. Wildcat cheerleaders have the time of their lives in the homecoming parade.
Opposite page, bottom right. Standing tall, strong and brave, "Willie the Wildcat" is definitely something to remember.


Top. Future basketball stars Andy Acosta and Chris Schmitz show us thier pre-pro talents.
Center left. Friends Andrea Drapcho, Bria Welch, Jenny Menth and Angelie Timm share each other's hopes, dreams, and memories.
Above. Future pharmacist Heidi Meier learns about her possible career from her mentor Scott Marsden at Marsden's Drug.
Left. Lori Wirtz, Dan Schnobrich, Angie Schuler and Kelly Hedtke, in the mentorship program at Ridgeview Medical Center, anticipate their bright futures in medical fields.

## From a Teacher's Perspective

Question: How has high school changed since you were a student? What was your class rank in high school?
"'Fewer kids drove cars to school. More athletic opportunities for girls now." Jill Engeswick, upper 10\% in a class of 547, Alexander Ramsey H.S., Roseville
"Less involvement in school activiites. (There's more stress on money and jobs today.) Sue Ann Hartwig, graduated 2 out of a class of 25
"It seems like the school spirit has decreased overall," Mark Elsenpeter, 17 in a class of 52
"All too often, students have little insight into the importance of an education. The traditional roles of teachers are expanding with this unfortunate trend." Scott Doran, 100 in a class of 760 (disappointed about being in triple digits)


Stuart Radde
College: U of M Morris

## Academic

Throughout high school, some students excel in certain areas. Many do this in sports or in the arts or industrial tech classes. But the most unrecognized by the community are the academic excellers. These students have worked hard through four years of high school to remain in the head of the class.


Molly Schrupp
College: Purdue University Major: Pre-Med


## Heidi Meier

College: Gustavus Adolphus
or St. Scholastica
Major: Pre-Pharmacy


Jessica Schmidt
College: St. Cloud
State University
Major: Accounting


Kristin Kiefert College: Hennepin Tech in Eden Prairie Major: Mechanical Design

## All-Stars

Some of these students began their academic success back in middle school or even elementary school. The top ten students of Waconia High School's senior class deserve recognition for their efforts and future aspirations. (Mote: The students pictured here ranked in the top 10 at the end of first semester, 1998-99.)


JoAnna Meuwissen
College: $U$ of $M$ Twin Cities Major: Business


## Rachelle Rosin

College: $U$ of $M$ Duluth Major: Biology Minor: Music

## Krystle Weinzierl

College: U of M Twin Cities Major:
Biology/Pre-Med

Kelly Hedtke
College: Gustavus
Adolphus
Major: Business


## From a Teacher's Perspective

Question: How has high school changed since you were a student? What was your class rank in high school?
"'Students had less money to spend on entertainment and recreation." Gordon Winter, upper half in Hopkins High School class of 250 students
"School dances used to be a lot of fun when I was in high school and everyone got involved." Katie Tietz, top $15 \%$ in a class of 185
"You would not see girls in industrial tech classes nor boys in home ec (family consumer science)." Marie Erickson, top $25 \%$ in a class of 86
"Students have less respect for adults and equipment." Dave Aeling, 33 in a class of 335 students


Dan Schnobrich
College: Undecided Major: Chemistry/Biology

## Frozen in Time

Our futures are erected from our pasts." This quote is very accurate. A lot of the things involved in our futures - like our careers, relationships, friends, and even our personal styles - are related directly or indirectly to our pasts and
the past of our families and of our country. The yearbook staff decided to take a look at past styles of the twentieth century. While looking at these representations of styles gone by, it is possible to see the resemblance in today's fashions.


Top left. Katrin Weiss adds a touch of elegance with her turn of the century dress.
Top right. Beginning in 1910 was a decade of the simple all-black dress as modeled by Megan Turek.
Far left. As the "flappers" made their appearance in the 1920's, so does Katie Wozniak on Decades Day.
Left. The 1930's brought about a more conservative style including two-button suit coats and hats pulled down in front, as Dylan Schesso demonstrates.
Above. Doing her best Marilyn Monroe pose, Marilyn Spiess imitates the woman who made a huge impact on fashion during the 1940's.


Above. Mona Lehrke and Matalie Timmers appear ready to hit the clubs in the controversial 1960's Go Go outfits.
Right center. Junior friends show their unique 1970's styles ranging from hippie and flower child to disco fever.
Right. Rolled pant legs and off the shoulder sweaters were introduced in the 1980's, as modeled by senior Emily Christianson.

Left. The 1940's introduced the masculine suit that fell loosely over the chest, as demonstrated by Ethan Weiland.
Below. Who could ever forget the poodle skirts of the 1950's? Together Lisa Hammer

and Molly Lenzen charmingly pose on Decades Day.
Below. The 1950's "greaser" look is demonstrated by Joe Grengs' cool pose.



Looking Back at the
1900 's
1900's - The Edwardian Age 1910's - The Modern Age of Change 1920's - The Roaring Twenties 1930's - The Prohibition Era

> 1940's — The Jazz Age

1950's - The Rock 'n Roll Era
1960's - The Swinging Sixties
1970's - The Disco Era
1980's - Retro Fever

## From Near and Far, New Students Come Into Our Lives

This year whis was pleased to welcome ovep twenty-flve new students, including five foreign exchange
students and eight qut-of-state students. Welsopne to everyone!


Mew to Waconian
this yearr is fresh-
man Mirhael Wood
frondsault St Ma-
Sophomore Lindsay Swenson came to Waconia from Mew Haven, Indiana.

Joining our school from Arizona is freshman David Powers. He enjoys life in Minnesota much more than in Tucson.
 France, plans to study at a university to become a lawyer after he graduates. Karim would also like to be involved in associations against drug usage and racism.
Joining us from Finland-is Sanni Maria Hynynen. Although the U.S. differs from her hometand, there are many things she likes about MM. After leaving this school, she wiff return to Finland to repeat her junlor year
3 Junior Louise Khudsen traveled from Denmark to spend a year at WHS

Moving here from south Utah, Katie

## Gadbaw is a

senior this year. Although Waconia is not as large as she would like,
she is appreciative for what she has

Journeying here from Germany, Katrin Weiss, is enjoying her foreign exchange. After returning home, she plans to finish her last three years of school and then on to more schooling at a designer school.
Also from Germany, Markus Mambrey looks at his student exchange as a very intense and unique experience. After his year in the U.S. is over, Markus will return to Germany to join the army.

## Never Ending Memories

Fall. Time for so many things to begin. School started with a bang this year! Academic achievements were recognized. Homecoming week brought a lot of excitement. Senior powderpuff players won the game for their second year, Monday's coronation gave the school a new king and queen, and at Friday's big game the football team beat Water-
town! The fall's romantic comedy Anything Goes entertained many. Kicked off by a dynamic guest speaker, Chemical Health Week was a great success. Student council organized a coat drive which raised 1,151 coats, and girls' cross country went to state for the first time! Filled with memories for the future, WHS truly is a place to remember!

Below left. Queen candidates Katie Scholla, Rachelle Rosin, Destiny Bren, Molly Schrupp, Linnea Mohn, Becky Diers and JoAnna Meuwissen take time to pose for the camera before the big event.
Below. King Andy Gongoll and Queen Becky Diers are chosen to reign over Homecoming 1998.

Bottom left. On one school day fourteen lives are taken by drunk drivers as demonstrated by WHS students on Ghost Out Day. Bottom right. Sir Evelyn (Chad Kosieracki) kisses Reno (Linnea Mohn) in the romantic fall musical Anything Goes.


Referendum Results
This year's September 15 school referendum passed not only a new $\$ 14$ million middle school, but also a community eight-lane pool and the funds to operate the pool. The vote talleys follow: Mew Middle School Yes - 1,800 Mo - 1,144; Mew Pool Yes - 1,580 Mo - 1,331.



Top left. The WHS student council collects over a thousand coats for tote-a-coat. Waconia placed first among neighboring schools in the number of coats collected based on the school's student population.
Top right. Guest speaker Mark Scharenbroich kicks off Chemical Health Week with an entertaining and motivational speech.
Above left. Senior JoAnna Meuwissen smiles after scoring one of the winning touchdowns for the powderpuff game.
Above. Mr. Fredericksen congratulates Dan Schnobrich on being a finalist in the Mational Merit Scholarship competition. Left. The girls' cross country team prepares to compete at state competition. Left to right: Sonja Ellingson, Morgan Berndt, Kristin Pletsch, Jenny Schnobrich, Leslie Litfin, Cristy Jensen, Matalie Timmers







Wendy Ahlbrecht Heather Anderson Holly Barnes

William Bedford
Ryan Brandenburg Destiny Bren

Mathan Brockpahler Justin Brunelle Jessica Buesgens

Dan Bush
Emily Christianson April Cole

Casey Coulson Tiffany Dalbec Shawn Davis

Paul Delaney
Rebekah Diers Loni Diethelm

Sarah Doyscher Sarah Dreier

Annie Dressen



## Seniors' Most Popular College \& Career Choices

10. Winona State
11. Luther Collelge
12. U. of M. - Morris
13. Crown College
14. Gustavus Adolphus
15. Mankato State
16. U. of Wisconsin
17. U. of M. - Twin Cities
18. U. of M. - Duluth
19. Hennepin Tech (Top Choice)
20. Truck Driver
21. Machine Tool and Die
22. Cosmetologist
23. Child Development
24. Architect
25. Auto Mechanics
26. Mursing
27. Doctor
28. Education
29. Business (Top Choice)


Above. Future nurse Becky Diers works ha in class to achieve her dreams.


Aaron Dubbe Kristin Erickson Adam Fagerness

Douglas Flies Katie Gadbaw Mike Gaddo

Jesse Ganser
Peter Geyen
Andrew Gongoll

Aaron Grams
Joseph Grengs
Amanda Hamer

Heidi Iddings
Josh Imholtz
Erin Indrelie

Corey Joyce Lindsay Kast

Mathan Kerkhoff

Karim Hanachi
Kelly Hedtke Emily Hipp

Danielle Hoekstra
Mark Hoelz
Ross Hoffman



## Senior Survey Results <br> Seniors Say Good-bye with Words of Advice

Have fun, Get involved, Don't do things to make others look down on you, Live each day to its fullest - it goes by fast, Prepare for your future, Find yourself and then Be yourself, Keep your grades up, Be patient and positive, Don't slack too much or too early, Apply to colleges early, Take the ACT as soon as you can, Don't fall behind - it's hard to get caught up, Make a lot of everlasting memories, Laugh a lot and cry a little, Cherish your friendships, and Most importantly, Don't take your high school years for granted - once you graduate it's all over.


Chad Keuseman
Kristin Kiefert
Chad Kosieracki

Ryan Kowalczyk
Eliott Kranz
Gregory Kranz

Jenna Kunkel
Jason Lahr
Katie Larson

Kelly Leen Mona Lehrke

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Angela Loscheider Daryl Lueck

Charles Machtemes

Markus Mambrey
Scott Marsden
Kendra McCandless

Heidi Meier
Jacquelyn Menth
Jennifer Meuwissen



JoAnna Meuwissen
Kevin Mielke
Mathan Minzel

## Linnea Mohn

Eric Montgomery
Jami Miesen

## Annette Olson

Christina Olson
William Oswall

Benjamin Pauly Crystal Pfeifer Jennifer Pickart

## What Will You Miss

 Most After Graduation?1. Friends
2. Sports
3. Slacking off
4. Mr. Aeling and Mr. Lindemann arguing
5. Activities
6. Mrs. Cooley's smiling face
7. Teachers
8. Pass'm over, pass'm up
9. Morning break
10. Mr. Zender

Jeffrey Pieper Mate Pieper Stuart Radde

Erica Rademacher
Kevin Raether Bradley Roepke

Rachelle Rosin
Jeremy Salden
Desiree Schesso



Cory Schlagel Jessica Schmidt

Ryan Schmitt

Joshua Schneider
Daniel Schnobrich
Katie Scholla


Dustin Schrupp
Molly Schrupp
Angela Schuler

Christina Sievers Cortney Sletten

Kelly Staber

Anthony Steinhagen Marla Stevens Emily Streeter

Ryan Sudheimer Heidi Tellers Lucas Tevis

Bill Vanderlinde Joshua Venske Jeffrey Volby

John Wabbe
Chad Wagener
Jesse Waletich



Ethan Weiland Krystle Weinzierl Joseph Widmer


Lori Wirtz Kellie Worm Jimmy Young

Mot Pictured: Micole Biskey Jason Mechtel Douglas Meyer Cory Phillips Justin Polo Brian Sandeen

## Brilliant Advice from Brilliant Teachers



Above. Teachers Marie Erickson, Bob Lindemann and Lydia Thometz offer seniors helpful advice for living.
$\star$ "Mever stop believing in your dreams." Bob Lindemann
$\star$ "Always be flexible in your thinking, be willing to accept change and most important, Be Happy." Lydia Thometz
$\star$ 'You may not know the burdens of others; therefore, treat each other with great kindness." Jill Engeswick
$\star$ "Be flexible. Be ready to accept change, adjust and move on." Barbara Danger
$\star$ "Follow direction and know there is a time and place for for everything; the older you get the better you understand this." Dave Aeling
$\star$ ' 'Always do right. This will gratify some people and astonish the rest.' Mark Twain. The class of '99 will leave a mark here - one of honor! Thank you."

## Kathy Fontes

* "This is the time in your life to look out for yourself. Let nothing hold you back; let nothing stand in your way. The world is waiting for you!!" Scott Doran
* "You choose how to live your life." Marie Erickson
$\star$ "Every one of you can succeed at whatever you put your mind to. So dream big and don't let anyone tell you that you won't succeed." Kristi Berlin


## Forever Young

Even as young children, some of us have always known what we wanted to be. As we grew up, we began to realize those dreams and begin the long journey of
achieving them. When looking into the eyes of these children, one can see their hopes, dreams, and aspirations for the future and things to come. Life is a journey that has already begun



Clockwise from top right. Tiffany Dalbec, Kris Kiefert, Holly Barnes, Loni Diethelm, Jami Meisen, Mona Lehrke, Ross Hoffman, Emily Hipp, Kellie Worm, Katie Scholla.




Clockwise from top left. Joe Grengs, Sarah Dreier, Dan Schnobrich, Destiny Bren, Amanda Hamer, Ben Pauly, Crystal Pfeiffer, Krystle Weinzierl, Emily Christianson, Heather Anderson, Justin Brunelle.


Best Actor: Chad Kosieracki and Linnea Mohn Best Musician: Shawn Davis and Linnea Mohn


Cutest Smile: Jeff Volby and Lynzy Kast Prettiest Eyes: BJ Oswall and Danielle Hoekstra


Class Clown: Kevin Raether and Kelly Staber Most Likely to Visit Mr. Fredericksen's Office: Daryl Lueck and Kendra McCandless


Most Talkative: Andy Gongoll and Annie Dressen Quietest: Bill Bedford and Marla Stevens


Biggest Flirt: Andy Gongoll and JoAnna Meuwissen Best Dressed: Pete Geyen and Sarah Doyscher


Friendliest: John Wabbe and Emily Hipp Most Athletic: BJ Oswall and Molly Schrupp


Most Studious: Dan Schnobrich and Katie Scholla Teacher's Pet: Eliott Kranz and Krystle Weinzierl


Craziest Laugh: Mate Brockpahler and Annie Dressen Worst Joke Teller: Joe Widmer and Jenna Kunkel


Musician

1. Offspring
2. Garth Brooks
3. Goo Goo

Dolls

Restaurant

1. Perkins
2. Applebees
3. Olive Garden


## Magazine

1. YM
2. People
3. Sports

Illustrated

## Actor

1. Matt Damon
2. Bruce Willis
3. Ben Affleck

Song

1. "Party Like It's 1999"
2. "Save Tonight" 3. "Angel"

## Candy

1. Snickers
2. M \& M's
3. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups
4. 104.1
5. 101.3
6. $93 x$

Pop

1. Mountain Dew
2. Dr. Pepper
3. Pepsi

## Store

1. Target
2. Duebers
3. Old Mavy

Sport

1. Football
2. Basketball
3. Danceline

Actress

1. Meg Ryan
2. Julia Roberts
3. Sarah Michelle Geller

Teacher

1. Mr. Zender
2. Mrs. Hartwig
3. Mr. Luebke

Center left. WHS's favorite teachers include Mrs. Hartwig, Mr. Luebke, and Mr. Zender. Thanks for making learning fun!
Center right. Mountain Dew is the drink of choice as demonstrated by Justin Brunelle, Mate Kerkhoff, Mona Lehrke and Erin Indrelie.


Above. Ethan Weiland, Jenny Meuwissen, Heather Anderson, Becky Diers, Erin Indrelie, Annie Dressen, Jackie Menth, Kristin Erickson and Ben Pauly love their Chevy truck, as well as the majority of the seniors.


## Car

1. Chevy truck
2. Mustang convertible
3. Volkswagen
bug

## Cologne

## Perfume

$\begin{array}{ll}\text { 1. Cool Water } & \text { 1. Tommy Girl } \\ \text { 2. Tommy } & \text { 2. Cool Water } \\ \text { 3. Eternity } & \text { 3. Lady Stetson }\end{array}$

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## movies



A chance encounter with a friend has Will Smith framed for murder and running for his life in the action thriller Enemy of the State.


## Antz and A Bug's Life

The box office was covered in insects as Dreamworks released Antz while Disney and Pixar released $A$ Bug's Life.


## The

Waterboy
Adam Sandler returns to the screen in the hit movie The Waterboy. Sandler plays Bobby Boucher, a 31-year-old college freshman who turns gears of aggression into success on the football field.


## Dr. Dalittle

Eddie Murphy stars as Dr. Dolititle, a physician who is able to talk to animals in this remake of the 1967 classic.

## Saving Private Ryan

Tom Hanks leads a squad of soldiers on a dangerous mission in the World War II movie Saving Private Ryan. The critically acclaimed film also stars Matt Damon, Edward Burns and Tom Sizemore.

## Top Ten Mavies

1. Armageddon
2. Saving Private Ryan
3. Something About Mary
4. The Waterboy
5. A Bug's life
6. Dr. Dolittle
7. Deep Impact
8. Rush Hour
9. Godzilla
10. Lethal Weapon 4


Armagedron
Touchstone Pictures blasts Bruce Willis and a band of oil-drilling misits into space on a mission to destroy an earthbound asteroid in the fast-paced action thriller Armageddon.


## Shakespeare in Lave

In Shakespeare in Love, Joseph Fiennes stars as the young playwright Will Shakespeare. Suffering from writer's block, he is unable to make any progress with his latest work until he meets the lovely Viola, played by Gwyneth Paltrow.


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## 5uper ВпиI XXXIII

Quarterback John Elway shows his excitement as the Denver Broncos defeat the Atlanta Falcons to win back-to-back Super Bowls.


Jana

## Novotna

Jana Novotna hugs her Wimbledon trophy atter defeating France's Nathalie Tauziat in the women's singles final.


## NBA Lackaut

NBA Players Association Executive Director Billy Hunter and NBA Commissioner David Stern shake hands at a news conference in New York City. announcing a collective bargaining agreement to end the 191-day NBA player lockout.


## Jeff

 GロrdanJeff Gordon wins the 1999 Daytona 500. With three championships under his belt and a new video game, Jeff Gordon XS Racing, Gordon remains NASCAR's most popular driver.


Michael Jordan
Alter great success with the Chicago Bulls, Michae I Jordan announces his $99.9 \%$ retirement from basketball.

## World Eup

 France defeats Brazil in a 3-0 upset victory in the World Cup Finals in July. France was the first host nation to win in 20 years.
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Jewelry designers saw a boost in sales when jewerry designed in the form of flowers and animals became the latest accessory rage.
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Nintendo's Star Wars: Rogue
Squadron and lara Croft's newest adventure, Tomb Raider III, became the hottest-selling games of the Christmas season.

## Cargu Pants

Comfort and style is what society demanded. The fashion industry responded with cargo pants, the hottest-selling style of the year.
pckwise from top right. Jenny Gothmann, gen Oakman, Kara Dake, Gina Meuwissen, Trent in, Ryan Murphy, Angelie Timm, the junior class Class Color Day, Ryan Goetze.



Kyle Ague Cody Anderson Heather Anquist Joseph Ansell Krisandra Asp

Timothy Austin Samantha Becklund Matthew Bergmann Benjamin Berndt Kent Boll

Darren Bollmann Matt Boyum Joshua Brandenburg Amber Brandmire Crystal Braunwarth

Lauren Bresnahan Dustin Bruzenak Dylan Bruzenak Brady Bussler Christopher Caldwell

Kiddrick Code Desiree Cox Kara Dake Melissa Diethelm Melissa Ditsch

Trude Ditsch Andrea Drapcho Jarrod Dukes Kate Eder Andrew Eischens



## Question: What do you see yourself doing for a future occupation?



Melissa Ditsch (right): "Dentistry or travel agent. I just think they'd be a fun sort of job to do the rest of my life."

Lisa Kirsch (left): "A floral designer. I have always loved flowers and art and a florist combines the two."



Brenda Johnson (right): "I would like to get in to natural resources or conservation. I have always had a passion for the outdoors."

Matt Bergmann (left): "I'm going to replace Bob Barker when he retires on the Price is Right.'



Erin Fenske Rebecca Frank Meil Furman Kathryn Gentz Ryan Goetze


Jennifer Gothmann Mark Hagel Amanda Hagen Ryan Hammer Courtney Hanson

Joshua Hartmann Matthew Harvat Amanda Hawkins Andrew Heger Tanya Hetherington uestion: Who has had the most influence on your plans for the future?


Adam St. John: "The teachers that make and shape us into young adults. They try to prepare us on what's out there in the vast unknown."


Joe Masurka: "My parents, because they helped me to realize which plans would be realistic.


Andrew Heger: "Family and friends. Those are the people I spend the most time with.'

Jennie Hiben Kelly Hill Julie Hoen Melanie Hoggarth Sungmin Hong

Liza Huckenpoehler Sanni Hynynen Melissa Ittel Cristy Jensen Brenda Johnson

Laura Johnson Drew Johnston Jessica Kamrath Lori Kelly Russell Kerber

Julia Kes Lisa Kirsch Terry Klaers Travis Klein Trent Klein



David Philp Zachary Pieper Mark Plocher Kyle Rambow Melinda Ramm

Scot Rewerts John Ruter Joshua Salden Tiffany Sampson Kari Scheuble

Joshua Schilling Bryan Schlechter Alex Schmid Micole Schrupp Melissa Schuler

Anthony Smith Brian Smith Erik Sorensen Justin Sorensen Michael Staber

Rachel Stenger April Stevens Adam St. John Russell Strahota Jessica Sutherland

Dennis Swenson John Ta Eric Tetreault Angelie Timm Jesse Timm




Crystal Zancig Shaina Zuppke

Andrew Tongen
Megan Turek
Kristi Wachholz

Lisa Walters
Katie Wasness Michael Weiland

Katrin Weiss
Bria Welch Kelly Westlund

Jennifer Widmer Mathan Wood Charles Young

Question: As a member of the class of 2000 , what will you remember most about the 1990 's?


Tegen Oakman:
"How everyone has always made such a huge deal out of us being the class of 2000."

## Leslie

 Litfin:"The
Bill
Clinton
"crisis"'


Karyn
Laulainen
"My parents always saying, 'O ya, we are in the 90's,' and the reoccuring bell bottoms and the Beatle cut."

Tiffany
Sampson

"The friends I had is what I will remember most! They were supportive of whatever I did.

They helped me better understand things."



Andy Acosta Paul Ague Lacey Ahlbrecht Lucas Anderson Mark Anderson

Matthew Anderson Michelle Anderson Richard Barfknecht Justin Beilby Andrew Bergstrand

Jaclynn Condon
Ryan Debner Maren Delaney Joseph Dimler Sarah Domoradzki

Jeffrey Elliot Michael Erickson Matthew Evans Jordan Everhart Cassandra Gaddo

Stephanie Ganser Joseph Gast Micholas Gee Ann Geyen Leah Gjertson

Amber Goetze
James Gomez
Drew Guiden
Andrew Gustafson Lindsey Hatz

Christopher Hendren Mathaniel Hendren Michael Hilliard Roy Hoops Gregory Hoppenrath

Jai Imholtz
Eric Janzen
Joshua Jetto
Jolene John
Patrick Johnson

Ryan Johnson
Zachary Johnson Joe Johnston Ted Keefe Bradley Kelzer


Question: What was the funniest or most memorable moment you recall while you were in middle school?


Aaron Petersen: "The muffin fight of '97. Valentine's Day. The entire 8th grade was throwing muffins at the entire 7th grade, and vice versa."


Ted Keefe: "The riot in music class.'


Eva Mohn: "During rec time we always used to crawl under the bleachers and I once got caught by the back of my pants on a corner and they tore."


Question: How do you plan to observe the beginning of the 2000's?


"Preparing to start a career, what to do for college, and preparing for the new millennium."

Aaron
Sorensen
" 1 think a lot of people will
start doing
crazy things because they
think the world is going to
end."
Jolene John
"Lots of pictures tapes of Mew Year's Eve and Day. Getting together with a bunch of friends and having a good time."

Lacey Ahlbrecht


Amanda Miller Rachel Minzel
Lea Massengale Matthew Masurka

Sara Mauk Matthew McGowan

Mate Mechtel Jacob Meyer

Lucas Meyer Sara Meyer
Jennifer Litfin Ryan Marshall
" 1 would observe it with my eyes open and an open mind." Holly Kunkel


Ryan Schrempp Erik Schultz Blane Severson Lacy Skoog Ryan Skraba

Lisa Smestad Chadd Smith Aaron Sorensen Scott Stein Adam Stevens

Melissa Stevens Robert Stevens Matthew Stuewe Lindsay Swenson Justin Symanietz

Amanda Templin Marcus Tevis Carly Thompson Kevin Thompson Matalie Timmers

Emily Tongen Kay Trittabaugh Tanya U'Ren Kenneth VanEyll Brandon Venske

Jesse Vig Jason Wagener Kristi Wagener Micholas Waletich Michael Wander

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Anna Warnes Benjamin Weaver Joseph Webster Sarah Weinzier Katie Whittaker



#### Abstract

Jessica Williams Mark Wilson Charity Zabel




New teacher Katie Tietz has no difficulty remembering her high school days. "I had a senior all girls slumber party at my house. The boys in our grade just couldn't stand to be away from us so they took those big orange pumpkin bags that you fill with leaves during the Halloween season and put them all over the cars parked outside my house. Of course, we girls retaliated and put them in their cars! They were kind of mad but it was a lot of fun."

Difficult as this may be to believe, industrial tech teacher Dave Aeling has this memory of high school: "Getting caught in the equipment room with the coach's daughter!"


Tearning lab teacher Scott Doran recalls, "It was a cold and rainy Saturday night. Some friends of mine decided to use over 60 rolls of toilet paper to blanket my house and trees. My parents woke up in time to see who they were. By chance, a glove and hat were left behind. On the way to the next Friday's football game, my mom reached into her pocket and said, 'Here, Jason, I think these belong to you!' Busted. For those of you who met Mr. Dempster (psychologist intern) from last year, that was him!'"

O n your sixteenth birthday, Pam Melchert recalls, your friends would arrange with your parents to 'kidnap' you. They'd sneak to your house and dress you in funny clothes and take you to Perkins for breakfast. You'd have to wear a funny sign (Look at me - I'm sweet 16) and walk around school like a goon all day. This was the thing to do our sophomore year and while you felt a little foolish, you'd be disappointed if it didn't hap-


# $M$ FRESHMEN 




Gabriel Acosta
Amanda Allen Matthew Anderson Wesley Anderson Donald Arndt

Maureen Ayers-Looby Sean Bailey Jessica Bammert Austin Bodahl Jonathon Boll

Tanya Clemensen Heather Colton Timothy Connor Danielle Cronholm Kelsey Dake

Julie Dalbec
Adam Dalen
Justin Davis
Tabitha Deleeuw
William Diers

Allison Fagerness Jessica Falk Sarah Feerhusen Ernie Flemig Mackenzie Foley

Jeffrey Foust Travis Frank Guy Fuller Mickolas Furman Lisa Gedden

Dustin Gesinger Sarah Gibbs Angela Goodwin Cole Hackbarth Adam Hagen

Lisa Hammer Eric Hassel Adam Hastings Amanda Hedtke Matthew Heger

Timothy Held Matthew Hennen Christopher Hennes Matthew Hentges Charles Herman

Jennifer Hilgers
Bryan Hill Haemin Hong Amanda Hoops Benjamin Horner



Leah Indrelie Graham Irving Kurtis Jenkins Meghan Jereczek Caleb Jetto

Brian Johnson Miranda Johnston Joshua Jorgensen Shaun Kamann Heidi Keller


Meghan Jereczek (above): "I think technology will change our everyday lives in many ways. I think that as a society we'll become too dependent on technology."

Lisa Gedden (below): "I think that in ten years we will all have laptop computers. The world will continue to progress in technology. It will be important that everyone knows how to set up web pages and use the Internet."



Justin Davis (above): "I think that in ten years it will be totally computerized. It will be hard to separate people from computers."

The Top 5 Things

## Freshmen Were Scared Of

When the freshman class was surveyed, the following fears showed up most frequently in their responses to the question, "What was your greatest fear as you started school as a freshman at WHS?"

## 1. Getting lost

2. Getting beat up
3. Walking into the wrong classroom
4. Dumpster diving
5. Having your books knocked out of your hands


Above. After being shoved in the dumpster, Luke Schiller escapes with help from Sarah Meier.

Vance Kerber Francis Kerkhoff

Kevin Ketcher Kirstin Klason

Anton Klein Lisa Koehler

Crystal Koepp
Cal Kosieracki

Alex Kranz
Amber Krause

Emiley Lamberger Nicole Latham
Nicole Latham



Sarah Meier
Adam Meuwissen
Michael Miller Garrett Morgan Mathan Morse


Justin Pawela
Robert Pesch Rachel Peterson Dylan Pforr
Bret Plocher

## Tina Pogatchnik

 David PowersKatie Rademacher Megan Rasmussen Sasha Rasmussen

Randal Redinger Matalie Ristow Lucas Roach Eric Roberts Melissa Rogers

Ryan Rosin Robert Samuelson Justin Schelitzche Luke Schiller Adam Schlagel

Jennifer Schnobrich Brooke Simonson Jennifer Sorensen Marilyn Spiess Murphy Steiner

Megan Sterner Jodi Storms Anthony Swenson Anna Szczepanski Brittni Talley

Lanesa Thompson Matthew Turek Bradley VanEyll Matthew Wagener Charles Wagner

JaeBo Ward Heather Webster Michelle Weiland Abby Welch Melissa Wenzel



Zachary Wilson
Michael Wood Ryan Wood Kathryn Wozniak



Heather Colton: (left) "In the morning it would be cold and everyone would push themselves in the tunnel slide and we'd fit about ten or fifteen people in there."

Chuck Wagner: (right) "Well, in elementary school, 2nd grade, to be exact, I was sitting in time out and I had a pair of scissors. Down to my hand was a light socket. I thought about what would happen if I stuck my scissors in the light socket. So I did and I electrocuted myself. After the brief, but intense, shock my scissors were fried and I had lots of static in my clothes. That's my most memorable moment."




Center. Katie Scholla learns
the correct way to perform CPR during Medical Emergency class.
Left. Mrs. Timmers rebels back to her wild years! ?

## Graduation Standards Are Implemented at WHS



Dr. Ric Dressen

The yearbook staff interviewed Principal Mark Fredericksen about the new grad standards implemented by the state of Minnesota. Graduation standards are now being enforced; the standards are a series of tests in basic reading, writing, and math skills that every student should know before graduating from high school. A student should be able to know, understand, and perform the contents in the test, and to pass must score $75 \%$ or above. Once the student has passed, he or she won't have to take it again. However, if the test isn't passed, the student must continue to retry up until graduation and must have passed in order to graduate.


Mr. Mark Fredericksen
Principal

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Gordon Winter
Guidance Services


Kathy Fontes Guidance Services


Wayne Mortensen
Activities Director

School Board. Back: Scott Jensen, Ronda Leivermann, Bob Hiben, Kathryn Wilson. Front: Theresa Pesch, Bryan Pawela, Michael Heger, Superintendent Ric Dressen.


## Art Ablaze!

Crayons. A child's favorite art tool. Some children enjoy art more than others, and as they mature, they find a growing talent for it.

Waconia High School is full of artistic and very talented art students. These pages provide a view of the artwork of some of WHS's budding artists.

Twelve WHS students were selected to have their work shown at a
special high school art show at the Minnetonka Center for the Arts. These people's artistic fires are burning bright today and into tomorrow.

Right. Lisa Smestad and Jacki Condon take a clay impression of an unidentified student's face as part of a mask-making project.
Below. Junior Mindy Ramm begins working her clay on the potter's wheel.



Amy Fischer


Kristin Hoff



Ben Pauly, whose work was selected for the Minnetonka Center for the Arts, shows off two ceramic works, a vase of flowers and a larger pot.


Crystal Zancig shows three samples of her work - a ceramics mask, a vase, and a pencil drawing. Her work was exhibited at the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

Aaron Petersen shows one of his ceramic pieces. Aaron's work was selected to show at the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.


Kelly Hill (above) exhibits several of her ceramic pieces. The two in the back are ceramic impressions of Van Gogh's paintings.


Lynzy Kast (below) works in a variety of mediums. She shows off pencil drawings, an oil painting, and several ceramic works.


Russ Strahota (above) shows a sample of his work, which was selected by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts. A pencil drawing and several ceramic works are shown here, including a dragon and chess pieces.


Erica Rademacher (above) usually expresses her talent through painting and drawing. Her works are shown close up, to the right; the painting to the far right was exhibited at the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.


## Instrumental and Choral Music Classes Inspire Students to Lifelong Appreciation of Music

Every year the fifth grade class is in turmoil as they begin to choose instruments and learn how to play them. As the years go by, those students who stick with the band program become more and more advanced and are soon experienced concert band members. In daily classes, students work on 1-2 compositions a day to prepare for concerts.

Choral music classes begin with warmup exercises, followed by practicing the musical selections for upcoming concerts.

$\star \star$ Star Students $\star \star$


Music teachers Aaron Olson and Don Schultz were unable to select one or two students who excel above the rest. In their words, every member of the band or choir are $\star$ stars $\star$ who contribute to the overall sound of the group.

Top. Justin Sorensen concentrates on his trumpet music in concert band
Center. Bria Welch, Courtney Hanson, Sanni Hynynen, Lisa Walters and Heather Anderson express their emotions as they practice a song in concert choir.
Bottom. Kristin Kiefert, Jesse Timm, Alex Schmid, Dave Philp and Ben Berndt sing beautifully to the music in concert choir.


Aaron Olson


Don Schultz


Mary Lechelt Accompanist



Corinne Dulgar


Pam Melchert


Lynn Mercer

Below. Matt Priess seems pleased with the food selections at El Meson on a Spanish field trip.
Below right. After seeing the play Cyrano, French students gather in front of the Mew French Cafe in Minneapolis.
Bottom Following a theatrical presentation at the Mixed Blood Theatre, Spanish students enjoy their Latin America style lunch.


## Spanish, French Students Learn Language, Culture

This year three levels of Spanish and two levels of French were offered to students. Both language classes experienced field trips, enjoying the food and culture of Spain and France. The French class attended the play Cyrano and enjoyed a quaint lunch at Le Mouveau Cafe Francais in Minneapolis. The Spanish II students attended a presentation of a Spanishlanguage performance at the Mixed Blood Theatre, followed by a Latin American lunch at El Meson in Minneapolis.
A highlight for the French students was a trip to France in the spring, during which they had first hand experience with the people and customs they learned about in the classroom. Spanish students had an opportunity to travel to Spain in the summer of 1999.


## FACS Classes Prepare Students to Become Independent Adults, Responsible Consumers

The Family and Consumer Science Department provides students with classes that will be useful to them throughout their lives. Foods classes teach cooking skills and guidelines that provide a healthy diet. For those who want to learn more about the responsibilities
and decisions involved in parenting, the Child Development class proves helpful to future parents. Some of the other classes offered provide information on the skills needed to fulfill a job in business or social work, or careers in housing or fashion.


Sue Hartwig


Above. Pat Johnson and Garret Chadek work hard on rolling bread dough to make bread sticks.
Right. Mrs. Hartwig talks with Amanda Hagen, Lisa Walters and Melissa Diethelm as they enjoy the appetizers they prepared.

## $\star \star$ Star Students $\star \star$

Selected by their teacher as students who really try to do an outstanding job in their subject and set a positive example for their classmates are A manda Hamer, Emily Streeter, Angie Schuler and Kristen McCune.



Above. Ted Keefe excitedly points to his nicely prepared pitas on a platter.


Kristi Berlin


Jim Lee


Lydia Thometz
Right. Markus Mambrey and Katrin Veiss type their proects for class.

## Computer Skills Essential for Tomorrow's Jobs

The computer and business classes at WHS keep getting more diverse as the years go by. Technology keeps advancing, and with that, jobs today have more requirements. Students need these computer skills to be prepared for future careers.

WHS offers many useful electives that are very interesting and vital for future job hunting. Some of this year's electives included Finances, Keyboarding, Business Connections, Personal Law, Intro to Windows, Desktop Publishing, and Accounting.

Left. Tim Held makes good use of his time in keyboarding class. Below right. Ryan Mortensen is sworn in by bailiff Justin Brunelle in a mock trial in Personal Law.


Above. Senior Dan Bush works on the District 110 web page on the new I-Mac computer.
$\star \star$ Star Student $\star \star$


Unanimously selected by the Business Department teachers, senior Jessica Schmidt exemplifies the qualities of a star student, one who works hard and sets a good example. Jessica plans a career in accounting.

## Industrial Tech Classes Prepare Students for World of Work

The Industrial Technology Department provided classes dealing with woods, drafting, metals, auto maintenance, small engines, and other specialized subjects. Some of

the many opportunities offered to the students included building their own woods projects, repairing cars, studying drafting, and finishing the 1998-99 shed project. Students used drawings, computers, and hands-on work to get involved in these classes. Students not only gained skills through these classes, but also they developed pride in their achievements.

Left. Scott Loscheider works diligently on spot welding his tool box.
Below. Aaron Kleid and Joe Gast discuss their drafting project for Intro to Drafting.



Dave Aeling Bob Lindemann

$\star \star$ Star Students $\star \star$


Selected by their teachers as students who try to do an outstanding job in their subject area and are a positive example to their peers, Leslie Litfin, Joe Grengs (pictured above), Heidi Keller and Andy Eischens (not pictured) represent the Tech Education Department as Star Students.


Center right. Chris Rettig and James Dressen carefully make a punch on the lathe in Intro to Metals.
Above. James Gomez, Sean Bailey and Eric Lenzen braze conduit to sheet metal for their class project.


Mark Elsenpeter


Pat Foley


## Connie Manuel

Top. Joe Grengs paddles the ball in a phy ed class
Right. Dave Philp shows his strength In weight training. Far right. Sarah Dreier gets ready to throw a dart.


Above. Ms. Manuel assists Sungmin Hong in a cooperative project with Mrs. Hartwig's class on the subject of nutrition.

## Health, Phy Ed Emphasize Importance of Fitness

This year in health class, students had fun learning different things about their bodies and how to keep them healthy. The class hit on topics such as the bodily effects and dangers of smoking and drinking, the importance of eating right, ways to maintain good physical and mental health, and ways to deal with teen pregnancy and STD's.

In phy ed classes, students enjoyed soccer, football, volleyball, dancing, floor hockey, and speedball. They also participated in fitness day. In addition, students could elect to take such advanced classes as Medical Emergencies, Lifetime Physical Fitness, and Advanced Physical Education.

Overall, these classes provided ample opportunity to ensure that students go on to lead healthy, long lives.


Above. In Medical Emergencies, Cristy Jensen practices the techniques of CPR.

## English Classes Focus on Language and Literature

In English classes, students studied many types of literature, learning the elements of various genres and analyzing the meanings of specific poems and novels. Students also learned more about grammar and sentence structure, and they used their skills in writing assignments.

In addition to the required classes, the English Department offered a variety of related electives, including Theatre, Video Productions, Journalism, and Writing for Enjoyment.

Even though the basic curriculum hasn't changed a great deal, the classes seem to produce the same results: students with wider and enhanced language capabilities, along with preparation in writing and literature. English is a valuable asset to anyone who is going to pursue a place in the professional world.


Above. Megan Turek and Jordan Everhart act out Romeo and Juliet in Theatre class.



Kim Benson


Mary Kolb


Polly Schellack


Mark Torborg
Top. Justin Symanietz works on one of Mr. Torborg's fun sheets in English 10.
Center left. Stuart Radde asks for assistance from Mr. Benson in AP Lit.
Center right. Concentrating hard on the subject at hand, sophomore Melissa Stevens learns more and more about English in Mr. Torborg's class. Left. Vance Kerber concentrates on his work in Mrs. Kolb's class.


Eric Herrmann


Steve Hullander


Jon Luebke


Mike Zender
Top. Samantha Becklund and Mike Weiland study a map in geography.
Center left. Don Arndt and Zach Wilson explore their career options on the MCIS program in freshman social.
Center right. Sophomores Matt Anderson and Eva Mohn delight in their history research.
Right. Cassie Gaddo gets slightly startled in Honors History.


## Social Dept. Offers Wide Variety of Classes, Electives

The Social Studies Department studies society the history, geography, and psychology of it. Students engage in a variety of individual and group activities that lead to a better understanding of the topics being covered.

Freshmen study the branches of the government and do career exploration. Sophomores study 20th century U.S. history, while juniors study the geography of the United States and the culture and economics of the Western hemisphere. Seniors study political science, economics, and psychology

Some of the electives available included Criminal Justice, World War I and II and the Holocaust, Survey of the Civil War, Sports in American Society, and Contemporary Social Issues.



Above. Shaun Kamann sits back and prepares to learn in Mr. Herrmann's class.

## Math Classes Challenge Students' Problem Solving and Reasoning Abilities

Waconia High School offers many math classes to help prepare students for the future. Courses range from Algebra I all the way up to AP Calculus, but only two years of math are required to graduate.

A new addition to many math classes this year was the inclusion of graduation standards as part of the curriculum. WHS now has projects that must be completed to meet the graduation standards.



Mark Grundhofer


Kathy Kurtz


Sharon Singsaas


Sandy Wasness

Top. Peter Geyen and Molly Schrupp work together on a project in AP Calcu lus.
Center. Freshman Becky Luedloff utilizes a very large compass in geome try.
Left. Matt Heger dil: igently works on a geometry puzzle.


Darrell Arman


Mel Berg


Tim Sauer


Katie Tietz

Top. Tanya Clemensen works on a lab assignment for Physical Science. Center. Joe Gast, Scott Stein and Matt McGowan dissect a cow's eye in tenth grade biology.
Right. Junior Dylan Bruzenak performs an experiment in physics class.


## Science Classes Introduce Students to the Principles of Life, Matter, and Motion

From studying the human body to hands-on lab work, science students experience exciting and memorable learning endeavors. All students are required to take Physical Science 9 and one more year of science. Many students choose to take Biology I.

More advanced classes include Biology II, Chemistry I and II, Anatomy/Physiology, and physics. These classes challenge students through experiments, lab work, and research projects.


Selected by their teachers as students who really try to do an outstanding job in science and are a positive example to their peers are (back) Becky Diers, Stuart Radde, Cliff Kornelis and (front)Dan Bush, Dan Schnobrich, Kate Eder.



Top left. Pep band provides the music that helps keep the teams' spirits high.
Top right. One-act play mem-
bers perform "The Ugly Duckling" in competition. From left: Lynzy Kast, Jordan Everhart, Chad Kosieracki, Annie Dressen, Megan Turek, Katie Wasness, Markus Mambrey.
Center left. The Show Choir lights up the stage during their spring show.
Center. Freshman Luke Schiller celebrates Winterfest by dressing up for Tropical Day:
Center right. This year's musical, Anything Goes, is a success!
Left. Senior Josh Venske sings his heart out at choir practice.

## Marching Band Finishes with Grand Champion Title

Continuing their tradition of excellence, the marching band finished an outstanding season in 1998. With practices starting in April, they again went to a four-day long camp at the $U$ of Wisconsin-River Falls.


The band performed the music of John Rutter, including "Gloria,' "As the Bridegroom to His Chosen" and "Oh, Be Joyful in the Lord.'

Continually scoring well, they finished their season with a Grand Champion title from Litchfield



Above. Courtney Hanson performs at the Bayview Marching Band Show.
Center left. Junior section leader Cristy Jensen marches proudly on Memorial Day. Center. Jesse Timm demonstrates his out: standing playing ability
Center right. The cymbals stand in perfect alignment to show the band's discipline. Bottom left. The trumpet section crosssteps, showing one of the most difficult ma. neuvers of the season.



## Commander

Wendy Ahlbrecht

## Flute

Laura Johnson Jennifer Menth Lisa Smestad Amanda Templin Kelly Westlund Tim Connor Lisa Hammer Megan Sterner

## Clarinet

Rachel Minzel Jennifer Capaul Desiree Cox Melissa Diethelm Kate Eder Amanda Hagen Julia Kes
Rachel Knickerbocker Micole Krautbauer Mona Lehrke

Jennifer Mochinski Dylan Schesso Matalie Timmers Jessie Bammert Sarah Gibbs Vance Kerber Angela Morris Luke Schiller

## Alto Saxophone

Mate Hendren
Cristy Jensen
Maureen Ayers-Looby Morgan Berndt Ernie Flemig

## Trumpet

Jackie Menth
Chris Mendren
Terry Klaers
Karyn Laulainen
Leslie Litfin Kelly Leen Lucas Meyer

Dave Philp Justin Sorensen Emily Tongen Sandy Asp Eric Ellingson Marc Ellingson Kevin Ketcher Audra Lehrke

## Horn

Eric Janzen Bria Welch

## Trombone

Nick Geller Ben Berndt Courtney Hanson Mark Wilson

## Euphonium

Cal Kosieracki Matt Heger

## Tuba

Aaron Sorensen Sam Maiser Robert Pesch Jesse Timm

## Percussion

Erin Indrelie Matt Bergmann Brady Bussler Holly Kunkel Scot Rewerts Brent Rolf Adam Hagen Brian Johnson Jennifer Schnobrich Andrew Tongen Abby Welch

## Am Squad

Ryan Mortensen John Ta
Matt Anderson

## Color Guard

Leah Gjertson
Becky Diers
Kristin Kiefert
Jolene John
Heidi Keller
Lori Kelly
Lisa Kirsch
Jenna Kunkel
Krystle Weinzierl
Jenny Meuwissen
Lisa Walters
Crystal Zancig
Desiree Schesso
Lacey Ahlbrecht
Anna Warnes
Ben Pauly
Kristin Erickson
Rachelle Rosin
Emiley Lamberger

## New Choir Director Brings Changes to Music Dept.; Both Band, Choir Continue Tradition of Excellence

The new choir director, Mr. Olson, has brought a new view into the music department. Show Choir, Men's Chorus, and Eclectic Society are among the changes the choral department has seen. The Concert Choir competed in a St. Cloud festival and the Show Choir performed in several festivals as well, including Eau Claire. In addition, they have continued their tradition

## of excellence.

Directed by Don Schultz, the Concert Band had a very full and exciting year. The holiday season had the band performing a joint concert, the Yuleltide Festival, with the choirs. Many ensembles also performed at this concert.

In mid-January the Concert Band was visited by the CSB/SJU Wind Ensemble and Jazz Band. These groups joined the band for rehear-
sal, directed by the guest directors of CSB/SJU. In addition, the WHS Concert Band took a short tour in the spring, performing at several colleges/high schools.

Center left. Juniors Jenny Menth and Desiree Cox sing their hearts out during a rehearsal.
Center right. Senior Kelly Staber, sophomore Leah Gjertson, juniors Louise Knudsen, Crystal Zancig and senior Heidi Iddings prepare a Christmas piece for the Yuletide Festival.


Concert Choir. Back: Desiree Cox, Katie Scholla, Courtney Hanson, Bria Welch, Chad Kosieracki, Terry Klaers, Ross Hoffman, Kevin Mielke, Eliott Kranz, Josh Venske, Alex Schmid, Ben Berndt, Justin Sorensen, Kristin Kiefert, Wendy Ahlbrecht, Julia Kes, Kelly Staber, Kari Laabs. 3rd Row: Karyn Laulainen, Rachelle Rosin, Kelly Leen, Linnea Mohn, Lisa Walters, Ben Pauly, Aaron Linton, Kyle Ague, Dave Philp, Jesse Timm, Jenny Meuwissen, Desiree Schesso, Lisa Kirsch, Leslie Litfin, Leah Gjertson, Crystal Zancig. 2nd Row: Jenny Menth, Amanda Hawkins, Micole Schrupp, Heather Anderson, Crystal Pfeifer, John Ta, Doug Meyer, Sam Maiser, Josh Brandenburg, Katie Wasness, Krystle Weinzierl, Annie Dressen, Heidi Iddings. Front: Kathryn Gentz, Mindy Ramm, April Stevens, Sanni Hynynen, April Cole, Tina Buesgens, Emily Christianson, Louise Knudsen, Sarah Dreier.

Concert Band. Front: Amanda Hagen, Melissa Diethelm, Kate Eder, Julia Kes, Desiree Cox, Kristin Erickson. 2nd Row: Laura Johnson, Kelly Westlund, Kari Laabs, Melanie Hoggarth, Kristin Kiefert, Jenny Menth, Angelie Timm. 3rd Row: Leslie Litfin, Jackie Menth, Kelly Leen, Bil Bedford, Ben Berndt, Leah Gjertson, Karyn Laulainen, Bria Welch, Eliott Kranz. 4th Row: Wendy Ahlbrecht, Cristy Jensen, Mate Hendren, Brady Bussler, Matt Bergmann, Erin Indrelie, Scot Rewerts, Andrew Tongen. Back: Chad Kosieracki, Courtney Hanson, Kyle Rambow, Dave Philp, Terry Klaers, Matt Stuewe, Sam Maiser, Jesse Timm, Krystle Weinzierl, Anna Warnes, Desiree Schesso, Jenna Kunkel. Mot pictured: Justin Sorensen, Mona Lehrke, Rachelle Rosin, Becky Diers.



Center left. Junior Dave Philp takes part in the experience of working with the St. John's/St. Ben's concert band
Above. Sophomore Leah Gjertson plays one of the many band's pieces with confidence. Far left. Senior Desiree Schesso listens intently to Mr. Schultz's instructions.
Left. Junior trombone player Kyle Rambow plays with accuracy and precision.

Below left. Brass players Garret Morgan and Matt Heger warm up.

## Growth Seen in 9th,10th Band, Choir

 alow.Below. Sara Meyer and Kristi Wagener prepare for their upcoming concert.

The musical students of ninth and tenth grade at WHS participated in Varsity Choir or Symphonic Band. They performed in several concerts throughout the year, with over 80 students participating in band and almost 60 in choir.

The groups rehearsed during second block for 45 minutes each day. The talented students performed many diverse types of music, including marches, classical, contemporary, and gospel music.

Right. Varsity Choir. Back: Maureen AyersLooby, Eva Mohn, Marilyn Spiess, Emily Tongen, Charity Zabel, Lindsay Swenson, Angie Riihiluoma, Marc Ellingson, Eric Ellingson, Mike Hilliard, Mark Wilson, Mike Erickson, Mick Waletich, David Powers, Amanda Templin, Micole Krautbauer, Jennifer Capaul, Lindsey Hatz, Lisa Hammer. 3rd Row: Tanya U'Ren, Nicole Latham, Katie Wozniak, Jolene John, Dylan Schesso, Ryan Wood, Drew Gulden, Robert Stevens, Bret Plocher, Hunter Boyce, Jessie Falk, Holly Olson, Sarah Meier, Kristi Wagener. 2nd Row: Emiley Lamberger, Lea Massengale, Heidi Keller, Danielle Cronholm, Luke Schiller, Alex Kranz, Karl Kranz, Matt Anderson, Brian Johnson, Josh Jetto, Rachel Minzel, Mackenzie Foley, Abby Welch, Sarah Gibbs, Rachel Knickerbocker. Front: Laura Villanueva, Cassie Gaddo, Kirstin Klason, Holly Kunkel, Tina Pogatchnik, Lisa Koehler, Michelle Weiland, Amanda Meil.


Symphonic Band. Back: Matt Masurka, Mark Wilson, David Powers, Jeffrey Foust, Adam Hastings, Matt Hentges, Murphy Steiner, Matt Anderson, Jeff Eliott, Aaron Sorensen, Mathan McKinney, Alex Kranz, Rob Pesch, Aaron Petersen, Lucas Meyer, Chris Hendren, Josh Jetto, Matt Priess, Emily Tongen, Audra Lehrke, Marc Ellingson, Dylan Schesso. 4th Row: Carrie Peterson, Matt Heger, Cal Kosieracki, Mark Anderson, Ted Keefe, Chris Schmitz, Ernie Flemig, Eric Janzen, Anna Szczepanski, Jessie Falk, Maureen Ayers-Looby, Holly Olson, Ben Weaver, Justin Pawela, Zach Lamberger, Dylan Pforr, Juliet Hong, James Dressen. Jrd Row: Adam Schlagel, Lisa Gedden, Jennifer Capaul, Micole Krautbauer, Rachel Minzel, Amanda Templin, Kay Trittabaugh, Cassie Gaddo, Jolene John, Lisa Smestad, Jessie Williams, Lacey Ahlbrecht, Lisa Hammer, Kirstin Klasion, Brooke Simonson, Megan Sterner, Tim Connor, Emiley Lamberger. Znd Row. Eric Ellingson, Luke Schiller, Vance Kerber, Brad Kelzer, Brittni Talley, Jessica Bammert, Sarah Gibbs, Angela Morris, Jenny Litfin, Rachel Knickerbocker, Katie Whittaker, Jennifer Mochinski, Matalie Timmers. Front: Holly Kunkel, Adam Hagen, Brian Johnson, Jenny Schnobrich, Abby Welch, Mackenzie Foley, Jodi Storms, Leah Indrelie, Greg Hoppenrath, Brent Rolf, Drew Gustafson.

## New Choral Groups Add Variety to Music Offerings



Eclectic Society (formerly known as Jazz Singers) formed in mid-January and sang different jazz pieces. They performed at the 1999 Pop Concert and at the spring music contest held at WHS.

The Men's Chorus was a new group formed this year. Made up of dedicated men, either choir members or non-choir members, the group sang a variety of songs and performed at the holiday and winter concerts.

Left. Eclectic Society. Back: Sam Maiser, Dylan Schesso, Alex Kranz, Lisa Kirsch, Ben Pauly, Wendy Ahlbrecht. Center: Desiree Schesso, Ross Hoffman, Alex Schmid, Jolene John, Kristin Kiefert, Kevin Mielke. Front: Eliott Kranz, Karyn Laulainen. Mot pictured: Eva Mohn.
Below left and below. Eclectic Society members perform with their hearts.


Men's Chorus: Back: Eliott Kranz, Mike Erickson, Ethan Miller, Mark Wilson. Center: Jesse Timm, David Philp, Kevin Ketcher, Bret Plocher, David Powers, Alex Kranz, Ross Hoffman. Front: Mark Plocher, Mathaniel Miller, Alex Schmid, Ben Pauly, Aaron Linton, Drew Gulden.


Above. Lisa Kirsch performs "You're Still the One" at the '99 Pop Show.

## Show Choir Dazzles Fans

Under the direction of new faculty member Aaron Olson, the traditional Pop Group became the Show Choir. Although the name changed, not much else did. They still had the best performers, lively routines, great songs, and hours of practice. The group did most of their own choreography with the leadership of Linnea Mohn and Angelie Timm. The Show Choir proved to be a bright group of students with inspiring talents!


Top. Alex Kranz, Luke Schiller, Marc Ellingson and Eric Ellingson wanna be your teddy bear.
Right. Not only does the Show Choir let the sunshine in, but they know how to feel it! Below. "Our Favorite Son" was one of the Show Choir's favorites.



Show Choir. Back: Karyn Laulainen, Dylan Schesso, Marc Ellingson, Mackenzie Foley, Desiree Schesso, Eric Ellingson, Chad Kosieracki, Angelie Timm. Center: Ross Hoffman, Alex Schmid, Katie Wozniak, Maureen Ayers-Looby, Jesse Timm, Eliott Kranz, Juliet Hong, Rachelle Rosin, Marilyn Spiess, Sam Maiser, Linnea Mohn, Aaron Linton. Front: Leslie Litfin, Luke Schiller, Crystal Zancig, Alex Kranz.

Above. The Show Choir "swings" to "Jump, Jive, ' $n$ Wail!'

## The Beat Goes On As the Pep Band Performs at Games



Center left. The winter pep band performs at the wrestling pep fest.
Above. The brass and woodwind sections of the band help to encourage the team.

Center right. Clarinet players Desiree Cox and Melissa Diethelm add to the upbeat music at a basketball game.

The WHS pep band performs at all home football games during the fall. The members also add music to both the boys' and girls' basketball games during the winter. For the first time ever, the pep band attended a gymnastics meet to help cheer on the gymnasts. The band performs a variety of upbeat music, and all instruments are included. The pep band occasionally travels to boys' and girls' away basketball games during tournament season.

Left. Bass guitarists Matt Masurka and Kelly Leen contribute to the music of the pep band.


Above. Sophomore Amanda Templin plays the flute to boost the team spirit.

## Anything Goes Cruises Back to the 1930's

Presented on Movember 12, 13, and 14, the fall musical Anything Goes was new choir director Aaron Olson's first musical at Waconia High School.

The play opened with passengers boarding a transAtlantic liner bound for England. The entourage included Sir Evelyn Oakleigh and his young American fiance, Miss Hope Harcourt. Complicating Mrs. Harcourt's plans of an upscale marriage for her daughter was the last-minute presence of Billy Crocker, who was in love with Hope and stowed away to try to prevent her impending union with Sir Evelyn.

Adding zest to the ship's company were evangelist/night club singer Reno Sweeney and her four Angels. Reno agreed to help her friend Billy and found herself very attracted to Sir Evelyn. True to its 1930's setting, a small-time gangster, Moonface Martin, was fleeing America in disguise, aided and abetted by his sidekick Bonnie. The romantic entanglements and mistaken identities provided the comedic setting of the play.
Right. Sir Evelyn Oakleigh (Chad Kosieracki) and Reno Sweeney (Linnea Mohn) find themselves attracted to one another on the ship. Below right. The entire cast performs "Anything Goes."
Bottom right. To get near Hope, Billy poses as an old woman. Left to right: Katie Scholla, Eliott Kranz, Rachelle Rosin, Chad Kosieracki.


Above. Pit Orchestra. Back: Jennifer Capaul, Kristin Kiefert, Mathan Hendren, Terry Klaers, Justin Sorensen, Courtney Hanson. Center: accompanist Kathleen Young, Julian Marcsisak, Virginia Miller, Amanda Hagen, Kristin Erickson, Jen Mochinski, Cristy Jensen, Jodi Storms. Front: Don Schultz, Jackie Menth, Matt Bergmann, Wendy Ahlbrecht.



Billy Crocker
Moonface Martin Reno Sweeney
Sir Evelyn Oakleigh Mope Marcourt Mrs. Harcourt Bonnie
Elisha J. Whitney Captain
Purser
Reporter
Cameraman
Bishop Henry T. Dobson
Steward
Ling
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Angels
Tap Dancers Megan Turek, Crystal Zancig Lynzy Kast, Jenny Menth Kelly Leen, Angelie Timm
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Stage Director Conductor . Accompanist Choreographer Aaron Olson Kathy Jo Strei Don Schultz Kathleen Young

Marcia Santo Crew Members Pictured . . John Ta, Melissa Diethelm, Jenny Meuwissen, Krystle Weinzierl, Lisa Walters, Pat Lindstrom, Matt Anderson

Top. Bonnie (Angelie Timm) sings of "Heaven Hop.
Left. Billy (Eliott Kranz), Ling (Sam Maiser), Ching (Alex Schmid), and Moonface (Ben Pauly) play a game of strip poker.


## Afternoon Homecoming Coronation Replaces Traditional Evening Event

Homecoming week was exciting for all students at WHS. Coronation was held on Monday afternoon during school, which was a change from the traditional evening ceremony.

Prior to the coronation, freshman Maureen Ayers-Looby sang "One Moment in Time," and a trio made up of Linnea Mohn, Eva Mohn, and Angelie Timm sang "Angel." The queen candidates were each given a box containing either a white or a red rose. Becky Diers held the box
containing the winning red rose and was crowned queen. In the traditional manner, Becky crowned Andy Gongoll as king.

Following Friday's pepfest, a parade proceeded through town. The parade included the royalty, class floats, fire engines carrying the cheerleaders and danceline, and the jazz band.

Below left. Senior royalty candidates Paul Delaney and JoAnna Meuwissen wave as they pass through the parade route. Below right. Eva Mohn, Linnea Mohn and Angelie Timm provide entertainment for the crowd during coronation.

Below. Freshman page Kelsey Dake and es cort Austin Bodahl pose for a photo after the crowning.




Above. Katie Scholla patiently waits in the hallway for coronation to begin.
Right. The class of 2001 ride on their float during the homecoming parade.


Homecoming Royalty. Back: Linnea Mohn, Chad Kosieracki, Destiny Bren, Ross Hoffman, Katie Scholla, Eliott Kranz, JoAnna Meuwissen, Paul Delaney, Molly Schrupp, BJ Oswall, Rachelle Rosin, Ben Pauly. Front: Austin Bodahl, Kelsey Dake, Chris Schmitz, Kristin Pletsch, King Andy Gongoll, Queen Becky Diers, Samantha Becklund, Drew Johnston.



Above. The queen candidates quickly unwrap their roses in anticipation of being chosen homecoming queen.


Above. Homecoming king Andy Gongoll is congratulated after being crowned

## Spirit Week 1998

During Spirit Week, there were many opportunities for students to show their pride in their school. The dress-up days this year included Pajama Day on Monday, Decades Day on Tuesday, Twins Day on Wednesday, Class Color Day on Thursday, and the traditional ribbons/purple and gold day on Friday. This year the girls wore the ribbons. There were other opportunities during the week to decorate the class halls, build the floats, decorate for coronation, and paint the windows.


Below left. Juniors Karyn Laulainen and Crystal Zancig show their spirit by dressing up for Pajama Day.
Below. Heidi Meier and Heather Anquist represent the 50's on Decades Day
Bottom left. During powerpuff, the juniors prepare for an offensive play.
Bottom right. The victorious seniors carry out a defensive play.




Top. The Women in Black show who's boss.
Center left. The danceline, with junior Kristen McCune in front, dances to "Jessie's Girl" during the homecoming pepfest
Above. The uncanny resemblance between Mr. Olson and Josh Venske becomes more obvious on Twins Day.


Center right. Tiffany Dalbec and Kelly Staber decorate the senior hallway.
Above. Willy the Wildcat and Jen Mochinski help to get the crowd excited for the game.

## National Honor Society Members Believe "'The Present Will Always Contribute to the Building of the Futures.'

The quote by Frantz Fanon expresses the spirit of MHS. The Mational Honor Society banquet was held on October 26, 1998. Twentythree new members were inducted into MHS. Following the dinner, speaker Joe Mayne enlightened both students and parents with his speech. Afterwards, students received their awards - juniors and sophomores were awarded pins or a certificate and seniors received plaques.

Students elected to Mational Honor Society must have a 3.33 grade point average, must perform fifteen hours of community servce, participate in at least two activities, and demonstrate good character


Top. Jackie Menth lights the MHS candle as part of the ceremony.
Above center. Senior Heidi Meier accepts her plaque from Mr. Fredericksen.
Above. Mewly inducted sophomores Matalie Timmers, Emily Tongen and Leah Gjertson are proud to be members of NHS.
Right. Audra Lehrke, Megan Doyscher and Cortney Sletten recite the MHS pledge.



Left. Sophomore Mational Honor Society Members. Back: Dylan Schesso, Matt Masurka, Mick Waletich, Mate Hendren. Center: Audra Lehrke, Mike Hilliard, Chris Hendren, Josh Jetto, Matalie Timmers, Emily Tongen. Front: Leah Gjertson, Anna Warnes, Megan Doyscher, Matt Priess, Jessica Williams, Lacy Skoog.
Below. Junior Mational Honor Society Members. Back: Kyle Rambow, Brady Bussler, Andrew Tongen, Jesse Timm, Joe Masurka, Justin Sorensen, Russell Strahota. Center: Jessica Sutherland, Cliffton Kornelis, Andrea Drapcho, Bria Welch, Amanda Hawkins, Lisa Walters, Karyn Laulainen, Crystal Zancig, Cristy Jensen. Front: Lisa Kirsch, Kara Dake, Leslie Litfin, Sarah Marsden, Courtney Manson, Melanie Hoggarth, Katie Wasness, Kate Eder. Seated: Kristen McCune, Melissa Ittel.


Center left. MHS secretary Eliott Kranz speaks on character at the banquet.
Senior Mational Honor Society Members. Back: Jesse Waletich, Greg Kranz, Chad Kosieracki, Ben Pauly, Dan Schnobrich. Center: Becky Diers, Sarah Doyscher, Sarah Dreier, Wendy Ahlbrecht, Desiree Schesso, Jessica Schmidt, Kristin Kiefert, Kelly Hedtke, Rachelle Rosin. Front: Molly Schrupp, Cortney Sletten, Heidi Meier, Kelly Leen, Eliott Kranz, JoAnna Meuwissen, Doug Flies, Katie Scholla. Seated: Mona Lehrke, Jackie Menth, Krystle Weinzierl, Kristin Erickson.

## FLA Earns State Chapter of Excellence Award

FLA participated in many worthwhile events this year. A toy, food, and clothing drive was held to collect items for the homeless. Along with the Mew Student Helpers, FLA sponsored Chemical Health Week, and with Student Council, they cosponsored Winterfest activities.

Members attended regional, state and national competitions. The entire chapter was awarded a state Chapter of Excellence Award. Katie Wasness was elected to the office of State President-Elect, and the junior parli team advanced to national competition. Brenda Johnson spent a month in Japan in an FLA sponsored exchange program.

The group met twice a month as a large group, but individuals met on a more regular basis. FLA once again upheld their tradition of excellence.


Top. What a success! Many high school students donated food, toys, and clothing to this year's FLA food drive. Helping sort through everything are Sandy Asp, Kate Eder and Amanda Hagen.
Center right. Katie Wasness, FLA presidentelect on the state level, organizes many of the FLA's activities.
FLA Members. Above Front: Heidi Meier, Becky Diers, Jessica Schmidt, Lindsey Lindemeier, Sarah Domoradzki. Center: Sarah Mock, Amanda Meil, Rachel Peterson, Mackenzie Foley, Marilyn Spiess, Maureen Ayers-Looby, Lindsey Hatz, Kay Trittabaugh. Back: Joe Reitsma, Ted Keefe, Erik Schultz, Mark Anderson, Joe Gast, Justin Pawela, Bret Plocher.
FLA Members. Right. Front: Kate Eder, Dave Philp, Joe Masurka, Alex Schmid, Sam Maiser, Cristy Jensen. Center: Shaina Zuppke, Kelly Westlund, Kari Laabs, Brenda Johnson, Amanda Hagen, Sarah Marsden, Courtney Hanson, Leslie Litfin, Lisa Walters, Melissa Diethelm. Back: Tiffany Sampson, Mark Plocher, Katie Wasness, Sarah Weinzierl, Trent Klein, Matt Bergmann.


## LifeSmarts Team Competes at State



LifeSmarts is a state-sponsored program that enourages the next generation of consumers to learn about important issues such as buying a car, managing credit cards, using today's technology, eating right, and keeping themselves and others safe. LifeSmarts is advised by FLA adviser Sue Hartwig. Almost 100 teams participated in the LifeSmarts competitions this year, with the best 27 teams competing at state.

The LifeSmarts team of Katie Wasness, Becky Diers, Heidi Meier and Jessica Schmidt not only competed at state this year, but also were interviewed on KARE-TV on the day of the competition.

## FFA Continues Tradition of Competition, Service



FFA not only attended the national convention in Kansas City this year, but they also did well in competition. The FFA's Crop Judging Team competed at regional competition and placed first. Individually, Molan Lenzen placed first, Joe Laumann third, and Joe Dimler tenth. In the Farm Business Management competition, Tony Steinhagen placed eighth. Mick Hartwig and Molan Lenzen won State Proficiency Awards, and six FFA members won Regional FFA Proficiency Awards. The team also designed a butterfly garden for the Minnesota State Fair Landscape Design booth.

Above left. Ag teacher Dennis Bjorklund advises the WHS FFA team
Above right. Joe Laumann, Matt Stuewe, Molan Lenzen and Brian Buetow are pictured at the FFA Convention in Kansas City.
FFA. Front: Brenda Johnson, Tina Buesgens, Kelly Westlund, Heidi Tellers, Samantha Becklund, Melissa Ditsch, Julie Hoen, Scott Marsden. 2nd Row: Jenny Hiben, Joe Ansell, Ethan Weiland, Jim Olson, Jeff Pieper, Ryan Sudheimer, Mate Brockpahler, Aaron Dubbe. 3rd Row: Joe Laumann, Zach Johnson, Ryan Johnson, Brian Buetow, Zach Pieper, Bill Vanderlinde, Brian Sandeen, Ryan Brandenburg. Back: Mr. Bjorklund, Drew Dimler, Molan Lenzen.

Student Council, Helpers Promote Traditional and Service Activities

The Waconia High School student council sponsored many worthwhile activities this year. Participating in the KDWB/Subway Tote-A-Coat contest, WHS won with nearly 2,000 coats collected by the school and community. A new activity was the all-school Penny War, which raised $\$ 649.00$ to provide for three local families at Christmas. Student council members also sponsored homecoming activities, the annual blood drive, and winterfest events.

The student helpers held activities throughout the year to help orient new students to WHS. In August, an orientation was held to introduce new students to the building and to staff and faculty. The helpers also sponsored Chemical Health Week and Career Day.

Top. Student Helpers. Back: Amanda Hawkins, Ryan Hammer, Lisa Kirsch, Shaina Zuppke, Destiny Bren. Center: Amanda Hamer, Lauren Bresnahan, Kelly Staber, Kara Dake, April Stevens, Sandy Asp, Heidi Meier, Becky Diers. Front: Heather Anderson, Crystal Zancig, Katie Wasness, Andy Eischens, Karyn Laulainen.


Above. Tiffany Dalbec and Sandy Asp collect coats for the Tote-A-Coat contest.
Center left. Lauren Bresnahan collects pennies for a penny war to raise money for needy families in the community.
Center right. Jimmy Young gives blood for the student council blood drive.


Student Council. Back: Leah Gjertson, Matalie Timmers, Lacy Skoog, Anna Warnes, Josh Jetto, Andy Eischens. 3rd Row: Lauren Bresnahan, Matt Bergmann, Jesse Timm, Tegen Oakman. 2nd Row: Amanda Hamer, Tiffany Dalbec, Mona Lehrke, Krystle Weinzierl, Desiree Schesso, Katie Scholla, Molly Schrupp. Front: Sarah Meier, Becky Luedloff, Matt Heger, Luke Schiller, Ernie Flemig


Above. Yearbook Staff. Back: Matt Anderson, Crystal Zancig, Katie Whittaker, Amanda Meil, Sarah Meier, Becky Luedloff, Lisa Kirsch, Michelle Anderson, Lindsey Hatz, Sarah Domoradzki, Karyn Laulainen. Center: Kelly Leen, Jackie Menth, Annie Dressen, Kristin Erickson, Jenny Meuwissen, Jenna Kunkel, Wendy Ahlbrecht, Heidi Meier, Katie Gadbaw Front: Editors Jessica Schmidt and Becky Diers. Mot pictured: Kay Trittabaugh, Andy Eischens, Desiree Schesso, Jessica Sutherland, Lea Massengale.

## Yearbook Staff <br> Aims for Excellence

The 1998-99 yearbook staff was divided into five sections - editors, activities, academics, sports, and students. Meeting every Tuesday after school, the sections got together and decided on layouts for the yearbook. With adviser Barbara Danger, the staff worked hard to produce another ,reat yearbook. The 1998 Pawprı s, "Putting the Pieces Together," Jas awarded silver by the Journal m Educators of Minnesota for exce ence in design, photography, writing, theme development and coverage. The total score was only one point shy of winning gold/All-State honors.


Top. Seniors Jenna Kunkel and Kelly Leen work on a spectacular layout for the '99 Pawprints yearbook.
Center left. Academics section staffers Michelle Anderson, Lea Massengale and Lindsey Hatz decide how to make their section interesting.
Center right. Freshman section editors Amanda Meil, Becky Luedloff and Sarah Meier work on their feature articles.
Above. Pawprints 98-99 editors Jessica Schmidt and Becky Diers show off the 1998 yearbook's award.

## Science Club and Math League Challenge Academic Abilities

The Science Club and Math League of Waconia High School were successful this year in their competitions.
Math League met twice a week and, instructed by Mr. Sauer, competed against other schools.

Advised by Mr. Berg, Science Club members attended science competitions, which involved teamwork in the Quiz Bowl contest. They
also participated in the Science Olympiad meet and constructed mechanical devices at the Mankato State Technology Challenge.

Right. Justin Pawela attentively takes notes on the day's math enigma.
Below. Math League. Front: Cliff Kornelis, Katie Wasness. Center: Dan Chrest, Mike Milliard, Dan Bush. Back: Dylan Pforr, Justin Pawela, Mr. Sauer, Dan Schnobrich.
Below right. Dylan Pforr attempts to solve the mind-boggling problems that Mr. Sauer has presented to him.



Above. Sophomore Mike Hilliard contemplates the answer to his math problems.


Above. Science Club. Back: Mr. Berg, Russell Strahota, Ethan Miller, Lindsey Hatz, Dylan Bruzenak. Front: Russell Kerber, Cliff Kornelis, Mike Hilliard, Josh Jetto.

## Mock Trial Team Members Experience Legal Setting

The mock trial team members worked on a case this year in which a 14 -year-old boy had committed arson that killed a man. The main question was whether or not the juvenile should be tried as an adult. Mock trial members took on the
roles of lawyers and witnesses to prove their side of the case. Three of the five returning team members had had experience as lawyers in a previous year.

The team participated in two scrimmages, one with Eden Prairie and one with Watertown, two major


Above. Mock Trial. Front: Marilyn Spiess, Sanni Hynynen, Sarah Weinzierl. Center: Sarah Marsden, Chad Kosieracki, Alex Schmid, Sam Maiser, Meil Furman. Back: Justin Pawela, Andrew Tongen, Dan Bush, Mark Plocher, Russell Kerber
competitions at the Hennepin County Courthouse, and regions as a team.

Below left. Dan Bush plans his strategy as a lawyer for the defense.
Below.Sarah Marsden listens intently to the testimony from the witnesses.
Below center. Justin Pawela outlines his argument for the case.


Above. Finnish exchange student Sanni Hynynen experiences the American legal system as she poses before the bench at the Hennepin County Courthouse.

## Jazz I, Jazz Also Give Fans Winning Performances

The WHS jazz groups include Jazz I and Jazz Also. Jazz I traveled to Morris, Minnesota, in April to participate in an overnight jazz festival. The successful groups performed in two concerts and at numerous other events in and outside of school. The groups performed several different varieties of jazz, including rock, funk, and swing.

Jazz I practiced every Monday night from 7 to 9 p.m, and every Wednesday morning at 7 a.m. Jazz Also rehearsed on Thursday mornings at 7 a.m.

Right. Trumpets Aaron Peterson and Kelly Leen add to the high brass sound of the tune "In the Mood.'
Below right. Jazz Also. Back: Eric Ellingson, Marc Ellingson, Matt Priess, Chris Hendren, Lucas Meyer, Aaron Sorensen, Kelly Leen. Center: Jenny Schnobrich, Jodi Storms, Mate McKinney, Cal Kosieracki. Front: Adam Hagen, Brian Johnson, Micole Krautbauer, Sarah Gibbs, Brittni Talley, Angie Morris.



Jazz I. Back: Leslie Litfin, Terry Klaers, Jackie Menth, Kelly Leen, Aaron Peterson, Aaron Sorensen. Center: Matt Anderson, Matt Bergmann, Brent Rolf, Kris Kiefert, Mark Wilson, Courtney Hanson, Ben Berndt, Matt Masurka. Front: Jen Mochinski, Juliet Hong, Jodi Storms, Maureen Ayers-Looby, Cristy Jensen, Wendy Ahibrecht, Mate Hendren, Ernie Flemig.


Center left. Sophomore Matt Mas switches between trombone and bass g during a rehearsal.
Above. Cristy Jensen plays saxophone morning practice in preparation for an coming concert.

Below. Play Cast. Back: Chad Kosieracki, Annie Dressen, Linnea Mohn, Becky Diers, Ben Pauly, Jennifer Mochinski, Desiree Schesso, Cassie Gaddo. Row 4: Lindsey Hatz, Louise knudsen, Shaina Zuppke, Ross Hoffman, Mark Plocher, Anna Warnes, Aaron Linton, Eva Mohn, Erin Fenske, Mike Miller, Matt Bergmann. Row 3: Amanda Templin, Brenda Johnson, Matt Anderson, Ben Weaver, Megan Turek, Julia Kes, Kristin Kiefert, Ethan Miller, Sam Maiser. Row 2: Micole Krautbauer, Katie Wasness, Aaron Petersen, Crystal Zancig, Angela Morris, Brittni Talley, Marilyn Spiess, Wendy Ahlbrecht, Dylan Christensen. Front: Lisa Hammer, Amanda Meil.


## Greek Tragedy

## 'Agamemnon'

## Comes to Life

O
n the nights of April 29
and 30, WHS presented
Agamemnon, Aeschylus' classic Greek tragedy of seduction, murder, and survival. Since this was director Kathy Jo Strei's last production with WHS students, she wanted it to be a memorable one. Complete with a Greek chorus and sinister makeup, Ms. Strei's production achieved her goal.

Below far left. The serving girls (Brittney Talley, Amanda Meil, Marilyn Spiess) watch intently as the plot of the play unfolds.
Below left. Megan Turek gives a stunning performance as the ill-fated Cassandra. Below right. Anna Warnes expresses great despair after her master is killed.
Bottom left. Linnea Mohn as Clytaemnestra admits killing Agamemnon and Cassandra. Bottom right. The chorus adds a sinister effect to the already dark Greek tragedy.


## More Never Ending Memories

Winter. A time when it seems that everything is happening so fast. Once school started, everything started to snowball! Mot only was the school on a roll, but so was the state. Former pro-wrestler Jesse Ventura was elected the governor of Minnesota. For the first time, WHS hosted a Yuletide Festival which incorporated choirs and bands, caroling, and small groups. The Target group hosted two Target parties where students could karaoke, sumo wrestle, enjoy open gym and have free food! During the infamous Winterfest, students dressed up on each day - the most enjoyable being Oddball Day. The Winterfest dance was in its second year and had an outstanding turnout by both
upper and lower classmen. Dan Schnobrich was announced a finalist for the Mational Merit Scholarship, and both Eliott Kranz and Mona Lehrke won the Triple A award for academics, athletics, and the arts.

Two of the biggest highlights involved danceline and wrestling. The Lakettes took first place in jazz funk state competition for the first time as well as taking second in high kick! For the first time in WHS's history, the entire wrestling team made it to state competition along with four individuals. What a memorable season!

Below. Yuletide Festival carolers withstand the cold with high spirits.
Right. Adam Hastings and Amanda Hedtke spend a wonderful evening together at the Winterfest semi-formal dance.


Below. VFW members donate flags for eve classroom in the high school.



Above. Who could miss these oddballs during Winterfest week? Anna Warness, Lisa Kirsch and Wendy Ahlbrecht make a fashion statement.


Above. At the Target party, Eric Sorensen is ready to do 50 serious sumo wrestling.


## Winterfest Days

| Monday | Tuesday | Wedresday | Tfuursday | Friday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pajamas | Oddball | Tropical | Career |  |
| Day | Day | Day | Day | Gold Day |



Top. Danceline members enjoy their twomedal victory at state. The girls placed first in jazz funk, the first time they had ever entered the competition!
Bottom left. Thrilled at placing first in regional competition, the Waconia wrestlers can't wait to advance to state.
Below. Many are proudly displaying this message after Jesse Ventura took office as Minnesota's governor.


## Prom '99, "A Walk in the Clouds," An Evening to Remember . . .

The 1999 prom theme, " $A$ Walk in the Clouds," attracted over 250 students. The Grand March was organized by a group of juniors and parents. Following entertainment by WHS student musical groups, prom goers were introduced during the Grand March on Saturday, May 15. Afterwards, prom goers filled the buses to head for the dinner and dance at Hazeltine Mational Golf


Course. Students then took early buses back to school or headed off to Grand Slam in Eagan for post prom. Lazer tag, games, and an entertaining hypnotist kept students going into the early morning hours.
Below left. Lynzy Kast, Shawn Davis and Linnea Mohn model different styles of prom wear.
Below. Mark Plocher enjoys the evening with his good friends.
Bottom. A group of prom goers decide to arrive the old-fashioned way - by horse and carriage.


Below. Dustin Schrupp and JoAnna Meuwis sen pose outside the school prior to th Grand March




Left. Laura Johnson, Desiree Cox, Christina Sievers and Amanda Hagen prepare for the Grand March.
Below. Lacey Ahlbrecht, Justin Sorensen, Terry Klaers, Kristin Er ickson, Aaron Sorensen and Lisa Walters pose for a picture at the Arboretum.




Above. Brady Bussler and Joe Masurka pause during a dance for a quick photo. Left. While hypnotized, Ethan Miller rides a pretend horse around the crowd.


Above. Bill Vanderlinde and his date Sarah Domoradzki arrive at the Grand March in style.
Center left. Aaron Petersen and Matt Anderson have fun dancing at prom at Hazeltine Golf Course in Chaska.

## Last Class of the Century Graduates, the Class of 1999

O$n$ May 30, the class of 1999 held their commencement exercises in the WHS gymnasium. One hundred twenty graduates marched in to the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance" march. Following remarks by Scott Jensen and Mark Fredericksen, salutatorian Jessica Schmidt and valedictorian Dan Schnobrich spoke to their classmates, family, and friends in

Senior Flower: Purple-tipped White Rose Sentior Colors: Purple, Silver, and Black Senior Class Song: "1999" by Prince Serior Motto:
The time fias come to end our joumey Thru thirteen years we fave been together In good and bad we fiave seen it all We've seen classmates come and go But now it comes to something we afl know Our lives have made a difference and our legacy
Wilf live forever as the class of 1999!

the packed gymnasium. After the graduates finally received their diplomas, they happily tossed their caps into the air before leaving Waconia High School for the last time.

Below. Erica Rademacher helps Jenny Pickart fix her cap before the ceremony. Center photos, from left. Brad Roepke, Chad Wagener, Mike Gaddo, Tony Steinhagen, Lucas Tevis and Jeff Volby. Bottom. The caps fly as the class of 1999 graduates.


Below. Valedictorian Dan Schnobrich an salutatorian Jessica Schmidt prepare to give their speeches during the commencemen ceremonies.



Left. Soon-to-be grads listen to instructions during graduation practice
Below. Friends Katie Larson and Emily Streeter count down the minutes until they graduate.
Center left. Kellie Worm, Mark Hoelz, Ryan Kowalczyk, Angie Loscheider, Aaron Grams and Andy Gongoll are anxious to graduate.


Center right. Posing for a quick photo before becoming high school graduates are Jeremy Salden, Ryan Schmitt, Joe Grengs, Corey Joyce, Ross Moffman, Bill Bedford, Eric Montgomery, Justin Polo, Ethan Weiland, Pat Keller and Chad Keuseman.
Above left. Brian Sandeen, Jeff Pieper, Kevin Raether, Dustin Schrupp and Aaron Dubbe look a little nervous to walk out on stage Left. Meidi Iddings, Tina Olson, Jami Miesen, Christina Sievers and Annette Olson smile for one last photo before graduation.
Above. The proud graduates include Scott Marsden, Casey Coulson, Greg Kranz, Bill Vanderlinde and Mate Pieper



Top left. Cortney Sletten prepares for a "bump" at a home game.
Top right. Danceline members are pumped after performing Jazz/Funk at their first home show.
Center left. Sarah Doyscher dribbles down the court for a layup.

## Center. Jeremy Salden hits

for his team?
Center right. Alli Fagerness and Katelin Murphy take a breather during halftime at a home basketball game.
Left. Desiree Schesso cheers with pride and spirit at a pepfest!

## Wildcats' Consistent Best Efforts Lead to Playoffs

Nineteen ninety-eight was an interesting year for Waconia Wildcats' football. Homecoming gave everyone a thrill when the Wildcats defeated Watertown-Mayer by a score of 35-7. Besides a great homecoming game, the Wildcats made the playoffs. But in the first round of playoffs, an injury sidelined Kyle Rambow, a very strong asset to the offense. Despite losing Kyle, the Wildcats won and advanced to the second round. Overall the team finished fifth in the conference and in sections.

One unusual experience during the season, according to Coach Pat Foley, involved Erik Sorensen fumbling after catching a punt. Fortunately, there was a penalty on the play on Watertown, and later in the game Eric had a chance to return another punt and ran 62 yards for a touchdown.

The season was also filled with many players receiving special honors. Captain Paul Delaney and linebacker Adam St. John received All-Conference honors for best defense, and Kyle Rambow All-Conference for offense. Other Wildcats won Honorable Mention All-Conference honors - BJ Oswall, Andrew Tongen, Eliott Kranz, Peter Geyen, and Brady Bussler.

Over the season the Wildcats accomplished their primary goals. First of all, they reached the playoffs, and second they fought just as hard during the last minutes of the final game as they had in the very first game.


Varsity Football. Front Jason Lahr, Eliott Kranz, BJ Oswall, Paul Delaney 2nd Row: Ryan Kowalczyk, John Wabbe Ethan Weiland, Chuck Machtemes, Andy Gongoll, Pete Geyen, Doug Flies, Bill Bedford. 3rd Row: Coach Foley, Drew Johnston, Mike Staber, Brady Bussler, Mate Wood, Andrew Tongen, Jesse Timm, Erik Sorensen, Coach Elsenpeter, 4th Row: Coach Olson, Josh Brandenburg, Kevin Koester, Kyle Rambow, Joe Ansell, David Philp, Anthony Smith, Andrew Heger, Matt Bergmann, Coach Grundhofer. 5th Row: Andy Acosta, Eric Randt, Mike Hilliard, Mike Weiland, Adam St. John Kyle Ague, Matt Priess, Scott Stein, Drew Guiden. 6th Row: Coach Merrmann, Chris Schmitz, Joe Gast, Dylan Schesso, Dan Chrest, Aaron Sorensen, Mathan Mendren, Mick Waletich, Matt Stuewe. Back: Mark Wilson, Jay Biskey, Matt McGowan, Brian Buetow, Joe Reitsma, Jake Meyer, Erik Schultz. Top. Cradling the ball, Kyle Rambow runs in for a touchdown.


Below. Senior Eliott Kranz punts that one clear into Lake Waconia.
Center left. Junior Kyle Ague puts another three on the board.


A Blast from the Past!


As a high school student, Coach Pat Foley participated in football, basketball, and baseball. He was named captain of his Cambridge, MM, football and basketball teams, and played wide receiver and cornerback in football.

What Coach Foley loves most about coaching is the chance to watch sophomores change as they advance to the senior class and to help seniors make their last year their best.

Center right. Jesse Timm takes flight for the interception in a big homecoming victory.


## Varsity Football Season

| WHS | Opponent <br> Brooklyn | OPP |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| 13 | Center | 25 |
|  | Delano | 44 |
| 0 | St. Michael | 34 |
| 10 | Annandale | 0 |
| 30 | Watertown | 7 |
| 35 | Glencoe/S.L. | 35 |
| 17 | Dassel/Cokato | 26 |
| 7 | Gibbon/F/W | 14 |
| 21 | Holy Angels | 21 |
| 7 |  |  |
|  |  |  |

Varsity Volleyball. Back: Katie Menssen, Bria Welch, Andrea Drapcho, Rachel Stenger Center: Coach Pederson, Coach Lee, Tegen Oakman, Sarah Dreier. Front: Amanda Headrey, Mona Lehrke, Cortney Sletten, Sarah Doyscher, Carla Roepke, Coach Kathleen Young.


Above. Senior Mona Lehrke gets ready for a pass to the setter.


Above. Senior Sarah Dreier passes the ball to the setter to set up for a play

Below. Senior Sarah Doyscher goes up for a block.


Above. Sophomore Carla Roepke backs up senior Cortney Sletten as she passes the ball to her teammate.

## Strong Defense Helps Team Place Third in Conference



## A Blast from the Past!



Coach Jim Lee participated in cross country, track, and basketball at Mesabi East High School. In cross country and in track, he was a distance runner, and in basketball, he was a point guard. He was also the captain of his cross country and track teams.

Coach Lee enjoys the intense strategy that must be used to put a team "over the top" in coaching high school volleyball.

Pictured at left, Jim Lee poses for his sophomore cross country photo at Mesabi East High School. The school included his hometown of Hoyt Lakes, MM.

The 1998 volleyball team finished third in the conference. For Coach Lee, the game that was the highlight of the season was the Buffalo Tournament, where they beat Anoka, whose season finished at 21-9. The Wildcats also beat the defending section champion, Concordia Academy. Coach Lee said that the intense defense was the strength of the team this year. He had six girls with over 100 digs and three girls with over 200.
Cortney Sletten and Bria Welch were named All-Conference. Bria Welch was sixth in the metro area in blocks with 96, and Cortney Sletten set a new school record for digs in a season - 291.

One unusal experience for the team, according to Coach Jim Lee, happened before the season even started. Upon arrival for a scrimmage at Glencoe, they discovered that the scrimmage was actually scheduled for the following week. So Coach Lee took the team to the Dairy Queen!

Overall, it was a great season for the Waconia Wildcats' volleyball team.
Left. The varsity volleyball team goes in for a motivational huddle.

| Varsity Volleyball Season |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WHS | Opponent | OPP |
| 3 | Mound | 1 |
|  | Westonka |  |
| 1 | Orono | 3 1 |
| 3 | Dassel Cokato | 1 |
| 3 | Rockford | 0 |
| 3 | Concordia Acad. | 1 |
| 02 | Delano | 3 |
|  | Mayer | 3 |
|  | Lutheran |  |
| 0 | Watertown | 3 |
|  | Mayer |  |
| 033 | Belle Plaine | 3 |
|  | Glencoe | 1 |
| 3 | Bloomington | 2 |
|  | Kennedy |  |
| 3 | STMA | 2 |
| 1 <br> 3 | Annandale | 3 |
|  | Rockford | 0 |
| 30 | Morwood YA | 1 |
|  | Mayer | 3 |
|  | Lutheran |  |

## Girls Earn 14th Place at State

Phenomenal best describes the 1998 cross country season! In a long list of highlights, this was the first year a boy has ever represented Waconia at the state cross country meet. Ben Berndt proudly takes that credit. Also in a year of firsts, the varsity girls' team took first at regions to advance to state. Cristy Jensen, Matalie Timmers, and Sonja Ellingson not only earned AllConference honors, but had rankings high enough to send them individually to state. The girls' team pulled away with 14 th place at state and was named All-Conference.

According to Clark Machtemes, a large group of intelligent kids dedicated to reaching their goals enabled the team to succeed.

At the conference meet, the girls' team received first place, and the boys placed third. Ben Berndt, Dan Schnobrich, Jenny Schnobrich and Anna Warnes earned Honorable Mention All-Conference.

Top left. Freshman Eric Ellingson keeps up the pace.
Right. Leslie Litfin runs with great confidence at the state meet
Top Right. Emily Tongen tears up the course at the home meet at which the girls' team took first.
Far right. Captain Cristy Jensen finishes
 strong on the way to another WHS victory.


Cross Country Team. Back: Coach Ingrid Roberts, Mark Ellingson, Matt Masurka, Matt Anderson, Scot Rewerts, Paul Ague, Matt Dressel, Ken VanEyll, Marcus Tevis, Patrick Lindstrom, Dan Schnobrich, Evan Johnson, Eric Ellingson, Matt Hennen, Coach Clark Machtemes. 3rd Row: Coach Sandy Wasness, Scott Loscheider, Mark Anderson, J.R. Kerkhoff, Ted Keefe, Justin Symanietz, Ben Berndt, Philip Litfin, Aaron Chinander, Mike Anquist, manager Courtney Hanson. 2nd Row: Katie Wasness, Marilyn Spiess, Melissa Ditsch, Rose Larson, Louise Knudsen, Leslie Litfin, Molly Lenzen, Morgan Berndt, Mackenzie Bakken, manager Heather Anderson, manager Sarah Marsden. Front: Sonja Ellingson, Cristy Jensen, Jenny Schnobrich, Maureen Ayers-Looby, Kristin Pletsch, Danielle Chinander, Matalie Timmers, Anna Warnes, Leah Gjertson, Emily Tongen.



Top. The Waconia girls' cross country team leads the pack at the state cross country meet.
Above. Junior Ben Berndt is determined to finish the race.
Above center. Sophomore Kristin Pletsch easily closes in on the finish.
Above right. Senior captain Dan Schnobrich rushes the hill to the finish.
(Most photos on these pages are courtesy of the Waconia Patriot.)


A Blast from the Past!


As a high school student at WHS, Coach Clark Machtemes participated in cross country, wrestling, and track. He ran the distance whenever he could. As a wrestler, he weighed between 105 and 119 pounds and served as team captain.

Coach Machtemes (pictured doing pushups at 5 months of age) enjoys getting to know the athletes while exercising outside of the classroom. But most of all he enjoys seeing kids have fun while achieving their goals.

## Cheerleaders: Hard Workers Dedicated to Spirit in Sports

Cheerleading is a rigorous and exciting sport. It is split up into two seasons throughout the year. First is the fall season in which cheering is done for football and volleyball, and second is the winter season in which they cheer for basketball and wrestling.

Tryouts take place in the spring, and practices begin in August. Between tryouts and the start of practices, the cheerleaders attend UCA/UDA cheerleading camp to learn tumbling, dance, stunts, and cheers. Overall, cheerleading requires hard work, but the cheerleaders are well rewarded with excitement and spirit.

Right. Junior Crystal Zancig and seniors Wendy Ahlbrecht and Rachelle Rosin catch Jenny Meuwissen completing a basket toss. Below. Basketball Cheerleaders. Back: Alli Fagerness, Lisa Kirsch, Katelin Murphy. Front: Kristin Erickson, Caitlyn Klosterman, Annie Dressen.



A Blast from the Past!
Fall cheerleading adviser Pam Melchert performed in danceline at Rosemount High School and was a cheerleader and danceline member at Concordia College in Moorhead, MM. She is pictured in her college freshman danceline uniform.



Above. Fall Cheerleaders. Back: Rachelle Rosin, Jen Mochinski, Lacey Ahlbrecht, Wendy Ahlbrecht. Center: Annie Dressen, Jenny Meuwissen, Crystal Zancig. Front: Kristin Erickson, Desiree Schesso, Caitlyn Klosterman, Lisa Kirsch.


Above. Seniors Kristin Erickson and Anni Dressen and junior Lisa Kirsch base Katel Murphy into a chair.

## Winter Guard '99 Carnival Makes Lasting Memories

Below. Senior Winter Guard members Wendy Ahlbrecht, Jenny Meuwissen, Becky Diers Rachelle Rosin, Jenna Kunkel, Kelly Leen.


MF. Carnival was the '99 Winter Guard theme this season. This year's show consisted of bright uniforms, exciting music, harder work, and brilliant flags. This year's guard was made up of eleven members - six seniors, four freshmen and one eighth grader. With six members graduating this year, the Guard's future will be a challenge. The Guard completed the season with the highest score Waconia ever received in its five years on the circuit.

Left. Guard members concentrate during the pre-show ritual.
Below. With the show over and the audience applauding, the Guard members' chins are up with brilliant smiles.


bove. Freshman Becky Luedloff gives a layful smirk during one of the many flag 2atures.


Winter Guard. Back: Coach Sabrina Dunn, Emiley Lamberger, Becky Luedloff, Heidi Keller, Rachelle Rosin, Coach Carmen Kolb. Front: Amanda Meil, Beth Jacobson, Wendy Ahlbrecht, Kelly Leen, Jenna Kunkel, Jenny Meuwissen, Becky Diers, Martha Saunders.

## Jazz Funk Places First, High Kick Second at State Competition!

Danceline had an outstanding season! It was full of accomplished goals and many highlights. The nine strong seniors pushed the most out of the team. Their motivation, leadership, sharpness, attitude and style brought high kick and jazz funk to the top.

At state competition, the Lakettes showed off their kicks and turns. And the judges were impressed, awarding them with a tie for first in jazz funk and second in high kick.

Hard working adviser Kristi Berlin asked a man running their music at the state jazz funk competition how the team looked. "That - was awesome!" he said with a smile.

Right. The Lakettes perform their jazz funk routine during a pepfest at WHS.

Danceline Performance Season. Back: Coach Kristi Berlin, Megan Rasmussen, Amber Krause, Brooke Simonson, Sarah Feerhusen, Katie Rademacher, Katrin Weiss. 3rd Row: Jenni Schmakel, Lisa Smestad, Charity Zabel, Tiffany Ptacek. 2nd Row: Heather Anquist, Gina Meuwissen, Jessica Buesgens, Tiffany Dalbec, Emily Hipp, Lori Wirtz, Kristen McCune, Amanda Hawkins. Front: Krystle Weinzierl, Destiny Bren, Kelly Hedtke, Angie Schuler.



Danceline Competition Season. Back: Destiny Bren, Charity Zabel, Tiffany Dalbec, Kristin Kiefert, Lisa Smestad, Tiffany Ptacek. 3rd Row: Amanda Hawkins, Emily Hipp, Kelly Hedtke,Amber Krause, Angie Schuler, Lori Wirtz. 2nd Row: Katie Rademacher, Heather Anquist, Kristen McCune, Krystle Weinzierl, Jessica Buesgens. Front: Megan Rasmussen, Gina Meuwissen, Katrin Weiss, Jenni Schmakel, Brooke Simonson.

A Blast from the Past!


Coach Kristi Berlin was very involved at St. James High School with danceline, fall and winter cheerleading, and golf. She was a captain in cheering and dance She loves being caught up in the Lakettes' fire and excitement She is definitely an award winning coach.

A Blast from the Past!


Amy Fischer, gymnastics coach at WHS, participated in cheerleading, track, and gymnastics in high school. Pictured above as a high school cheerleader at Milbank, SD, she enjoys coaching gymnastics because she gets to know the students in a positive, fun environment.


## Gymnastics Springs into a Great <br> Season

The WHS gymnasts had a thrilling season this year, due to a new addition to the team. This new addition was the spring floor. Parents, gymnasts, and coaches got together for two evenings to construct the spring floor. The floor assisted the gymnasts in warmups and in floor exercise.

Even though the team didn't win often, Coach Fischer said many gymnasts improved a great deal. The team members learned new skills they might have been afraid to try in the past.

The team worked well together, with junior members Melissa Ittel, Lauren Bresnahan, Jessica Kamrath, Kari Laabs, and Crystal Zancig stepping up as leaders of the young team. Coach Fischer described her gymnasts: "We are a close team and have a great time!"

Left. Lacey Ahlbrecht jumps to great heights.
Below left. Jolene John gracefully bends for her scale on beam.


Varsity Season

| WHS | Opponent | OPP |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| 111.25 | Howard Lake | 93.75 |
| 108.0 | WEM | 114.75 |
| 109.35 | Rockford | 109.65 |
| 113.85 | Watertown | 133.8 |
| 109.85 | STMA | 127.55 |
| 118.9 | Delano | 129.38 |
| 117.3 | Annandale | 126.75 |
| 117.4 | Dassel | 120.25 |
| 116.95 | Glencoe | 122.15 |



Gymnastics Team. Back: Amanda Janzen, Jenny Litfin, Tyler Movotny, Jessica Kamrath, Rachel Peterson, Kittie Peterson, Ali Klason. Center: Coach Jake Kirchner, Kari Laabs, Erica Rademacher, Leah Gjertson, Jaebo Ward, Crystal Zancig, Lacey Ahlbrecht, Melissa Ittel, Morgan Berndt, Coach Amy Fischer, Coach Sandy Wasness. Front: Megan Heberling, Laura Schmidt, Rita Johnson, Angie Morris, Lauren Bresnahan, Molly Anquist, Danielle Sampson, Bethany Jetto, Ashley Artman, Jolene John. Mot pictured: Kayla Menth.


Top left. Senior Sarah Drier defends the ball against Minnehaha.
Top right. Point guard Cristy Jensen looks for the pass.
Center left. Asking for the pass, Katie Scholla opens up down low.
Center. Andrea Drapcho shows off her vertical while contesting for the rebound.
Center right. Senior Kelly Staber adds height and strength to the team.
Varsity Girls' Basketball. Right. Back Coach Tom Doyscher, Megan Doyscher, Leslie Litfin, Andrea Drapcho, Holly Olson, Lacy Skoog, Cristy Jensen, Coach Leslie Dingman. Front: Sarah Doyscher, Cortney Sletten, Kelly Staber, Katie Scholla, Molly Schrupp, Sarah Dreier. Bottom: Willy the Wildcat.



It's All in the Family!


Varsity coach Tom Doyscher gives a pep talk to his team. Directly in front of him are his daughters, senior Sarah Doyscher and sophomore Megan Doyscher. Apparently, basketball is a family activity!

## Girls Complete Successful Season

TThe Wildcats girls' basketball team completed another great year, finishing fifth in their conference and advancing to tournament competition. Led by senior captains Sarah Doyscher and Katie Scholla, they won their first tournament game at Brooklyn Center. Besides tournaments they had many exciting wins at home, including their games against Mayer Lutheran and Glencoe. A major highlight was their wins against local rival Watertown Mayer by scores of $52-45$ and 53-46.

On top of a great season, five team members lettered for the third time, including Cortney Sletten, who received All-Conference honors. With a terrific season behind them, the team can only plan for another great one next year.

Top. Senior Cortney Sletten aggressively tries to earn the ball back.
Center. Sarah Doyscher continally brings the ball down the court successfully.
Bottom. Molly Schrupp goes up for the two points.

## Varsity Scores

| WHS | Opponent | OPP |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 42 | Hudson | 62 |
| 47 | Menomonie | 58 |
| 32 | Orono | 46 |
| 49 | Mound | 45 |
| 49 | Mayer | 48 |
| 33 | Lutheran |  |
| 33 | Minnehaha | 49 |
| 57 | Academy |  |
| 57 | Delano | 72 |
| 40 | STMA | 59 |
| 52 | Watertown | 45 |
| 33 | Sibley East | 52 |
| 33 | Dassel | 42 |
| 35 | Annandale | 74 |
| 56 | Glencoe | 42 |
| 52 | Delano | 61 |
| 56 | STMA | 74 |
| 53 | Watertown | 46 |
| 50 | Morwood | 59 |
| 60 | Dassel | 31 |
| 36 | Annandale | 69 |
| 53 | BOLD | 48 |
| 50 | Glencoe | 47 |
| 54 | Brooklyn | 53 |
| 39 | Center |  |
|  | Blake | 73 |




Top left. The team huddles for some last second wisdom.
Top right. Kyle Ague focuses on the task at hand.
Above. Senior Mate Kerkhoff awaits the pass to score.
Above right. Junior Kyle Rambow plays some tough defense.
Right. Varsity Basketball. Back: Coach Doug Sayles, Coach Eric Herrmann, Ryan Murphy, Eliott Kranz, Mate Kerkhoff, Doug Flies, Joe Masurka, Coach . Jim Olsen. Front: Dave Philp, Ethan Miller, Kyle Ague, Trent Klein, Erik Sorensen, Kyle Rambow, Travis Klein, Scot Rewerts. Seated: Willy and manager John Ta.



## Wildcats Complete Competitive Season

The Waconia Wildcats basketball team played a very competitive season. They finished fifth in conference, with senior Mate Kerkhoff finishing second in scoring and first in rebounding in the conference. They also defeated their big rival Watertown-Mayer at home with a score of 72-70, definitely a highlight of their season.

Most of all, the team loved to compete. They played hard and never gave up throughout the whole game and the season. Even through the sub-section finale at Minnehaha Academy, they played hard until the end.

Coach Sayles as well as fans thought they improved from a year ago and played even more competitive basketball.

Top. Scot Rewerts showcases his ball handling skills.
Center left. Senior Doug Flies protects the lane against Dassel.

| Varsity Scores |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | ---: |
| WHS | Opp. | Opp |
| 50 | Orono | 60 |
| 49 | Mound | 43 |
| 48 | Chaska | 62 |
| 52 | Rockford | 61 |
| 66 | Warren | 55 |
| 63 | Hawley | 67 |
| 48 | Staples | 64 |
| 45 | STMA | 59 |
| 72 | Watertown | 70 |
| 59 | Dassel | 61 |
| 44 | Annandale | 42 |
| 43 | Glencoe | 41 |
| 43 | Minnehaha | 46 |
| 41 | Acad. |  |
| 59 | Sibley East | 54 |
| 48 | Delano | 69 |
| 72 | STMA | 49 |
| 72 | Watertown | 92 |
| 53 | Dassel | 52 |
| 50 | Annandale | 62 |
| 59 | Glencoe | 41 |
| 60 | BOLD | 51 |
| 49 | Delano | 73 |
|  | Minnehaha | 52 |
| Acad. |  |  |

Left. The Wildcat varsity boys go in for a motivational huddle.

## Wildcats Win Regions; Team, Four Individuals Advance to State

The fans of WHS wrestling received a wonderful surprise this year when the Waconia Wildcats team advanced to state competition. Besides state, the wrestling team had a terrific year. The team, led by senior Ethan Weiland with a school record-breaking 25 pins in a season, finished third in the conference and first in the region, then advanced to state. Individually, Mick Wischnack advanced to state for the third time and moved to fourth on the all-time win list. Junior Jesse

Timm advanced to state for the second time and finished with 31 wins. Sophomore Jason Biskey and eighth grader Dennis Westlund also qualified for state.

Through all the excitement of a great year, no one can forget the drastic change in all four coaches' styles. After qualifying for state, the wrestlers earned the right to shave all the coaches' heads.

Overall, the wrestlers achieved all their goals, improved their strengths and weaknesses, and in the meantime had some fun.

Below. Senior Ethan Weiland sets up a shot at the beginning of a match against Benilde. Center left. Junior Josh Schilling goes for a pin.
Center right. Matt Turek tries to turn his Fridley opponent.



Varsity Wrestling. Back: Coach Kelly Wagener, Kevin Thompson, Mike Groschen, Scott Stein, Brent Walmsley, Ethan Weiland, Matt McGowan, Jeff Dierdorf, Jesse Timm, Mick Wischnack, Jason Beck, Dan Schuette, Coach Mark Elsenpeter. Center: Andrew Fredericksen, Bob Samuelson, Aaron Sorensen, Joey Laumann, Dennis Westlund, Josh Jetto, Josh Schilling, Jason Biskey, Josh Jorgensen, Matt Turek, Josh Brandenburg, Jake Meyer, Justin Davis. Front: Ed Laumann, Dan Pohl, Garret Morgan, Matt Meger, Matt Anderson, John Priess, Adam Schlagel, Danny Hoernemann, Aaron Chinander, Albert Kehn.


Left. Jay Biskey wins over his distraught Fridley opponent.
Bottom left. Matt McGowan tries for an escape from his Brooklyn Center opponent.
Center. Jesse Timm rides his Benilde opponent.
Bottom center. The team celebrates their first place win at regions.

Varsity Season

| WHS | Opponent | OPP |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| 6 | STMA | 55 |
| 4 | Dassel | 60 |
| 51 | SP Arlington | 24 |
| 68 | Minnehaha | 6 |
| Acad. |  |  |
| 46 | Glencoe | 15 |
| 30 | Kimball | 33 |
| 13 | St. Cloud Tech | 51 |
| 42 | Eastview | 23 |
| 28 | Meadow Creek | 36 |
| 27 | Lester Prairie | 37 |
| 26 | Rockford | 30 |
| 52 | Watertown | 6 |
| 3 | Hutchinson | 54 |
| 36 | Brainerd | 21 |
| 34 | Sauk Centre | 24 |
| 30 | Delano | 21 |
| 45 | Mound | 21 |
| 53 | Orono | 10 |
| 60 | Benilde | 12 |
| 54 | MplsWashburn | 12 |
| 46 | Cretin | 19 |
| 50 | Annandale | 15 |
| 54 | SP Arlington | 15 |
| 30 | Fridley | 30 |
| 41 | (Cats Win 7-6) |  |
| 4 | Brooklyn | 29 |
|  |  |  |
|  | Center |  |
|  |  |  |



Mark Elsenpeter participated in many sports as a high school student, including football, cross country, wrestling, baseball, and track. Because he knows what it's like to be an athlete, Coach Elsenpeter enjoys seeing athletes set goals they feel are impossible and then seeing them reach those same goals.

## Strong Pitching and Defense Leads to Second Place in Conference

with a conference record of 8-3 and overall record of 14-5, the girls' softball team finished second in the conference. Because many team members played summer ball, the team's pitching and defense were sharper than most other teams. One highlight of the season was the Watertown-Mayer game that went into eleven innings before the Wildcats were able to score the winning run. In that game, Molly Schrupp
pitched all eleven innings, striking out seven and walking none. Holly Olson scored the winning run.

According to Coach Mark Elsenpeter, seniors Molly Schrupp, Emily Steeter, JoAnna Meuwissen and Mona Lehrke deserve special recognition for their great playing.

Right. Coach Mark Elsenpeter congratulates JoAnna Meuwissen on a good inning.
Below left. Holly Olson snags the ball and throws it to first base.
Below. Julie Hoen waits for the throw from Holly Olson.



Varsity Softball. Back: Coach Mark Elsenpeter, Tegen Oakman, Jenny Menth, Kelly Staber, Molly Schrupp, Holly Olson, Leslie Litfin, Sue Goldschmidt. Center: Mona Lehrke, Emily Streeter, Heidi Tellers, Audra Lehrke, Rachel Stenger. Front: JoAnna Meuwissen, Julie Hoen.


Above. Senior third baseman Emily Streeter powerfully throws to first.


Above. Junior Tegen Oakman makes a sacrifice bunt to advance the runner to second.

Left. Jenny Menth reaches for the ball to put the batter out. (Photo courtesy of the Waconia Patriot.)
Below. Leading pitcher Molly Schrupp prepares to fire the ball across the plate.


| Varsity Season |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| wHS | Opponent | Opp |
| 14 | Mayer Lutheran | 10 |
| 14 | Belle Plaine | 6 |
| 13 | Dassel | 5 |
| 3 | Glencoe | 0 |
| 1 | Delano | 6 |
| 12 | STMA | 1 |
| 17 | Annandale | 9 |
| 3 | Watertown | 2 |
| 9 | Breck | 1 |
| 1 | Dassel | 6 |
| 5 | Brooklyn Ctr | 1 |
| 1 | Rockford | 4 |
| 10 | Cromwell | 0 |
| 1 | Annandale | 0 |
| 1 | Glencoe | 0 |
| 0 | Delano | 4 |
| 2 | Watertown | 0 |
| 4 | Mayer Lutheran | 0 |
| 0 | Rockford | 8 |
|  |  |  |
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## Baseball Team Takes Sub-Section Championship, 2nd in Conference

The Wildcats baseball team tied for second in the Wright County Conference, after winning the subsection championship. After losing three of the first four games, the team ended the season with 8 conference wins and 4 losses. One highlight of the season was beating Glencoe/Silver Lake 7 $\sigma$ in the bottom of the seventh inning. The Wildcats scored three runs in that inning, giving the team a chance to win the Wright County

Conference title.
According to Coach Grundhofer, the team's strengths included good hitting and good senior leadership. Mamed All-Conference were outstanding hitter Jeremy Salden, solid defenseman Eliott Kranz, and great pitcher BJ Oswall.

Right. Third baseman Brady Bussler snags a ground ball.
Below left. Junior Kyle Ague makes a play at first.
Below right. Senior Eliott Kranz catches the ball over the plate.



Varsity Baseball. Back: Coach Mark Grundhofer, Kyle Ague, Joe Masurka, Andy Eischens, Terry Klaers, BJ Oswall, John Ta. Center: Brady Bussler, Joe Ansel, Josh Brandenburg, Eliott Kranz, Jeremy Salden, Drew Gulden. Front: Corey Joyce, Mate Wood, Kevin Koester, Adam St. John.


Above. Coach Mark Grundhofer helps the team out at batting practice.


A Blast from the Past!


Coach Mark Grundhofer was involved in football, hockey, and baseball at Forest Lake High School. Captain of all three sports during his high school career, he played halfback and cornerback in football and shortstop and pitcher in baseball. As varsity baseball coach, he enjoys watching each player improve, after they have worked together on a part of the game.


Top. Senior and veteran pitcher BJ Oswall warms up before the game.

Above. First baseman Jeremy Salden reaches for a ball to put the batter out.

Varsity Season

| WHS | Opponent | OPP |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| 9 | Rockford | 3 |
| 8 | Orono | 12 |
| 7 | Dassel | 5 |
| 9 | Mayer Luth | 11 |
| 2 | Glencoe | 7 |
| 4 | Delano | 9 |
| 6 | STMA | 17 |
| 9 | Annandale | 0 |
| 11 | Watertown | 1 |
| 14 | Dassel | 3 |
| 0 | Breck | 12 |
| 4 | Jordan | 7 |
| 12 | Waterville | 2 |
| 8 | Annandale | 0 |
| 7 | Glencoe | 6 |
| 6 | Delano | 3 |
| 7 | STMA | 10 |
| 0 | Chaska | 7 |
| 13 | Watertown | 5 |
| 7 | Jordan | 0 |
|  |  |  |

## Wildcats Enjoy Exceptional Season; School Records Fall

Exciting and successful" were the words Coach Connie Manuel used to describe both the boys' and the girls' track seasons. The boys' team placed third at sections; boys qualifying for state included Erik Sorensen, who won both the 100 m and 200 m dash at sections and was the anchor of the $4 \times 200 \mathrm{~m}$ relay, which also won first at sections. Other members of the relay team were Kyle Rambow, Dave Philp, Pete Geyen, and Jason Lahr. School records were broken by Dan Schnobrich in the 1600 m run, Erik Sorensen in the 100 m dash, the $4 \times 200 \mathrm{~m}$ relay team, and the $4 \times 800 \mathrm{~m}$ relay team.
The girls' team placed fifth at sections, with Cristy Jensen winning the 3200 m run and Matalie Timmers taking second in the 800 m run. Both girls qualified for state competition. A school record was broken by Lacey Ahlbrecht in the triple jump. Five boys and nine girls were named All-Conference.

Right. Senior Pete Geyen prepares to launch the shotput into orbit
Below. Sophomore Kenny Van Eyll soars to new heights in the pole vault.



Girls' Track. Back: Leah Gjertson, Carl Roepke, Lauren Bresnahan, Katie Menssen, Lacy Skoog, Lacey Ahlbrecht, Cristy Jensen, Matalie Timmers, Anna Warnes. Center: Jenny Schnobrich, Megan Sterner, Jessica Bammert, Tabitha DeLeeuw, Maureen Ayers-Looby, Jenny Sorensen, Molly Lenzen, Juliet Hong, Jolene John. Front: Sonja Ellingson, Angie Morris, Marilyn Spiess.


Boys' Track. Back: Sungmin Hong, Bill Bedford, Erik Sorensen, Zach Johnson, Kyle Rambow, Dave Philp, Jason Lahr. 3rd Row: Rob Pesch, Eric Ellingson, Brad Van Eyll, Graham Irving, Joe Johnston, Karim Hanachi, Marc Ellingson, Patrick Johnson. 2nd Row: Paul Delaney, Michael Hilliard, Drew Johnston, Pete Geyen, Éric Montgomery, Ben Berndt, Philip Litfin, Aaron Chinander. Front: Markus Mambrey, Ken Van Eyll, Mike Staber, JR Kerkhoff, Dustin Gesinger, Tim Austin, Dan Schnobrich.


Above left. Dan Schnobrich races for the finish.
Above center. Junior Dave Philp soars through the air with ease as he completes the long jump.
Above. Matalie Timmers begins her flight over the high jump bar.
Left. Lauren Bresnahan leaps over a hurdle on her way to victory.

A Blast from the Past!


Coach Connie Manuel was very active in sports at Bloomington Kennedy High School. She participated in volleyball, basketball, downhill ski racing, and track and field. A varsity letter winner all three years in each sport, Ms. Manuel was captain of volleyball, basketball, and track and field. She is pictured above with gymnast Cathy Rigby as she received Bloomington's prestigious Athena Award. At WHS she enjoys watching the athletes achieve their personal records in each of their track and field events.

## Girls Win Section 4A, Conference; Boys Third in Conf.

The WHS girls' golf team won the Section 4A championship, qualifying the varsity team to compete in the state tournament. In addition, for the sixth consecutive year, the girls won the Wright County Conference championship. Mamed All-Conference were Cortney Sletten, Melanie Hoggarth, Sarah Doyscher, Brittany Willborg, and Sarah Dreier. Megan Doyscher was named All-Conference honorable mention.

The boys' golf team finished third in the conference. Finishing 12th overall in the conference, Justin Brunelle earned All-Conference honors, and Matt Priess, who took 15th, was named All-Conference honorable mention. Matt also qualified for sections. According to Coach Doug Sayles, Justin Brunelle, the only senior on the team, was a good leader who consistently played well.


Top. Senior Sarah Dreier finishes her stroke and watches the ball.
Above. Senior Cortney Sletten prepares to send the ball flying.


Below. Girls' Golf. Back: Sanni Hynyen, Louise Knudsen, Melissa Ditsch. Center: Megar Doyscher, Melanie Hoggarth Brittany Willborg, Katrin Weiss. Front: Emily Van Kirk, Jackie Pitts, Sarah Doyscher, Cortney Sletten, Sarah Dreier, Sarah Marsden, Alli Fagerness.
jelow. Senior Sarah Doyscher follows hrough in a perfect swing.


Boys' Golf. Back: Joe Sanocki, Matt Priess, Justin Brunelle, Paul Ague, Matt Bergmann, Mate Hendren. Front: Coach Doug Sayles, Caleb Jetto, Matt Jensen, Dylan Sletten, Murphy Steiner, Josh Jetto.


## Irea Schools Swim Team Completes Undefeated Season



The Waconia swim team was made up of students from Delano, Watertown-Mayer, and Waconia. The team completed their regular season with an $11-0$ record. Practicing and competing from August through Movember, the team was involved in individual competition and team relays. At sections, the team didn't win, but did their individual best.

Far left. Swim Team. Katelin Murphy, Jessi Williams, Shaina Zuppke.
Left. The swimming buddies engage in a group hug.
Below left. Shaina Zuppke warms up with a kickboard.
Below center. Jessi Williams checks her time as she completes an event.
Below right. Katelin Murphy catches a breath while completing the breast stroke.


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Aeling, Dave
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