

I AM . . .

independent focused unique joyful creative sensitive ambitious energetic devoted invincible

Waconia High School 2003

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Lindsey Debner	Sarah Menth	William Szczepanski	Paul Meyer
Erik Smestad	Emily Goede	Edward Szczepanski	Sophia Crosby

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 Matthew Rademacher
 Merideth Lamberger
 Eric Sullivan
 Devin Noeldner
 Matthew Larkin
 Matthew Neubauer
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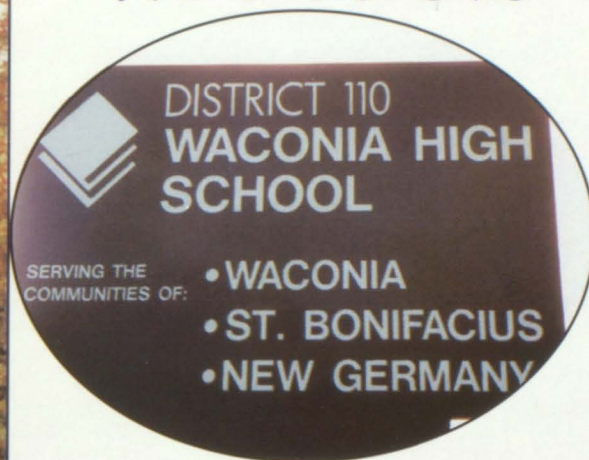
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 Ashly Schmaltz
 Alex Krukowski
 Tess Surat
 Lauren Krukowski
 Anna Corson
 Jacob Sutherland
 Claire Salveson
 Matthew Polding
 Christine Nelson
 Louise Klingelhutz
 Sasha Landskov
 Christian Sappington
 Nathan Huepenbecker
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 Jessica Kroells
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 Daniel Klingelhutz
 Stetson Wilkening
 Julie Neborak
 Britany Christenson
 Theodore Moore
 Caitlin Smith
 Megan Sipper
 Timothy Storms
 Perry Lenz
 Stacie Seaman
 Melissa Ruscher
 Makenzie Bakken
 Carly Brown
 Matthew Eiden
 Suzanne Harvat
 McKinzie Hubbard-
 Rossberg
 Damon Laukala
 Tasha Lindemann
 Katie Rajewsky
 Ryder Thompson
 Nathan Koch
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We Are One



Above: A view of downtown Waconia.

Right: A view of downtown St. Bonifacius.

Below: A view of downtown New Germany.

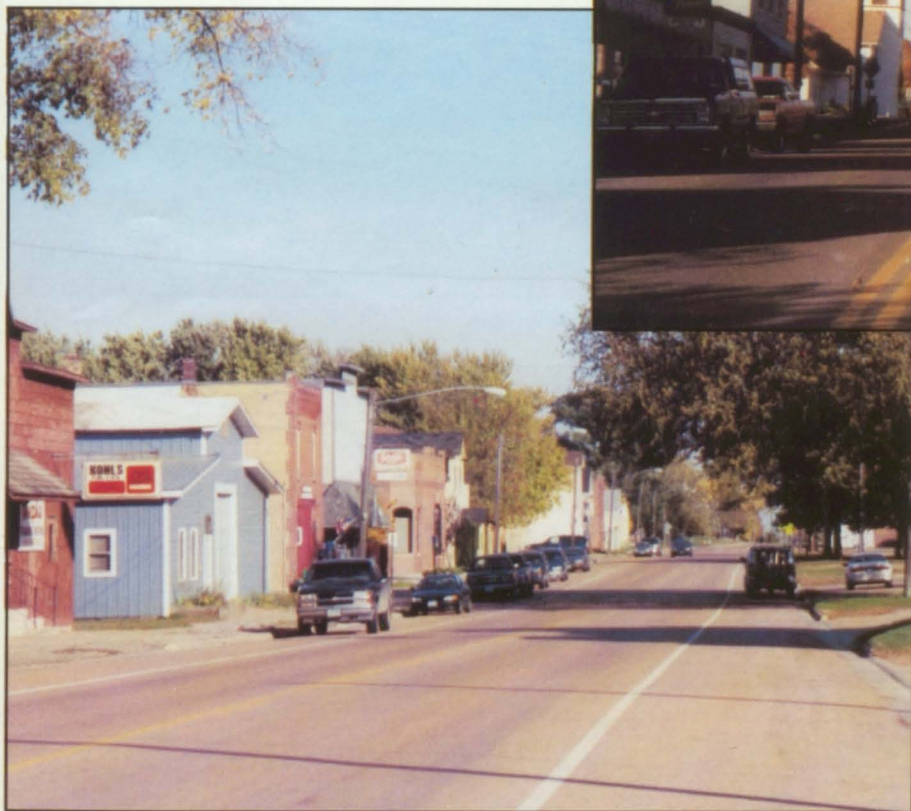


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*"Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don't turn up at all."
— Sam Ewing*

Left: Mr. Benson is a role model for students, showing his individuality through all he does.

*"It is hard to utter common notions in an individual way."
— Horace*

Below: Rita Johnson was proud after winning a first place ribbon at the Kandi Klassic Show.

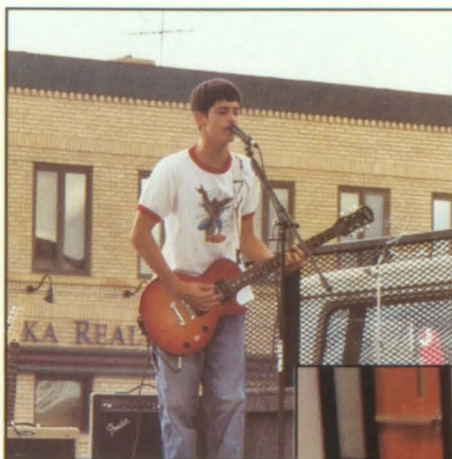


Above: Jenny Evans and Amanda Janzen having lots of fun at a summer yearbook workshop.

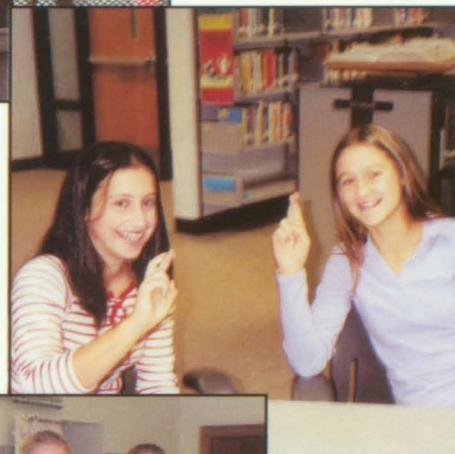
*"We did not change as we grew older, we just became more clearly ourselves."
— Lynn Hall*

It is funny how a lifetime of listening, watching, and imitating in time is the knowledge with which we create our own individuality. Waconia High School students show their individuality through participating in unique activities in and out of school.

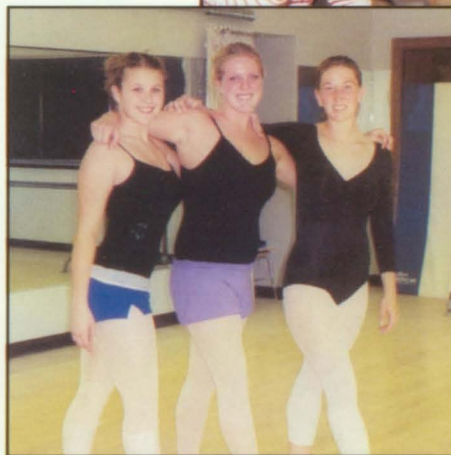
I AM Unique



Left: Reid Larsen, along with his band, perform for the crowd at Nickle Dickle Day.



Above: Julie Neborak and Ayla Stangret learn sign language.



Above: Lori Ledoux, Maggie Hilliard and Lucy Gunness show good form in dance class.



Above: Tiffany Steinborn, Tess Surat, Sami Foust, and Cherie Seaman bridging to be senior girl scouts.



Left: Pat and David Deering are exhausted after a trip with their boy scout troop.

Right: Jenna Taylor and Brittany Bammert show their pretty smiles.



With all the exciting things happening at WHS, it is hard not to be joyful. Every day you can see students enjoying high school with their friends and classmates. Whether they are doing homework, or just hanging around, smiles abound in the halls of WHS.



Above: Melanie Butler, Rhonda Skraba, and Tracy Winkler take a break from their accounting to smile for a picture.



Above: Alex Kalausich and Justin Ely enjoy their morning break together.

I AM Joyful



Above: Seniors Emily Eder and Jen Olson find a creative place to be joyful.

Right: Nate Waldvogel and Jordan Meyer are happy to have such good friends.



"Sometimes your joy is the source of your smile, but sometimes your smile can be the source of your joy."

— Thich Nhat Hanh

Right: Brian Lenzen and David Flemig smile as super heros.



Left: Sonja Ellingson, Joey Hiben, Kaylee Rasmussen, Nathan Laulainen, Jenna Taylor, Pat Deering, and Jen Olson gather for a picture on the S. S. Badger.

"Joy is not in things; it is in us."
— Richard Wagner

Right: Justine Gilbertson, Sami Foust, Tina Domjahn, Mallory O'Neil, Laura Christensen, Heather Bradt, Kathryn Hilliard, Amber Storms, and Marissa Held make a pyramid in the hallway.

"Every man rejoices twice when he has a partner in his joy. He who shares tears with us wipes them away. He divides them in two, and he laughs with us makes the joy double."

—Bishop Fulton J. Sheen



We are United



Top Left: Close friends Amanda Randt, Megan Haberling, and Akayla Stevens enjoy spending time together.

Above: Bethany Slice, Martha Lemke, and Bridget Ayers-Looby show their sophomore pride.

Right: Hannah Stranota, Lauren Petersen, and Birgitte Rifley show a little attitude.



Above: Sophomores Jake Schieffer, Sean Stein, Pat Deering, Jordan Meyer, Adam Erickson, Brady Gibbs, Eric Butteris, Jordan Ciaccio, Joey Hiben, Brian Lenzen, and Jared Swift relax during morning break.



Left: Freshmen Sheena Sievers, Angie Rasmussen, and Brittany Chaffee enjoy their lunch break.

The Best of Friends

Friends are an important part of everyone's high school experience. These students have found friends that have made their years at Waconia High School an experience of a lifetime.

Amanda Wurst, Jenna Pembertin, & Heather Nelson

-The qualities that they admire most in each other are honesty, kindness, and the ability to have fun.

-The best gift they can give each other is a hug.



Laura Anderson & Reid Larson

-They met in the Megawatt band.

-Reid admires how Laura is always happy to see him, how easy she is to talk to, and her kindness.



Megan Haberling & Baillie Miller

-Baillie and Megan met in Mr. Langer's eighth grade English class.

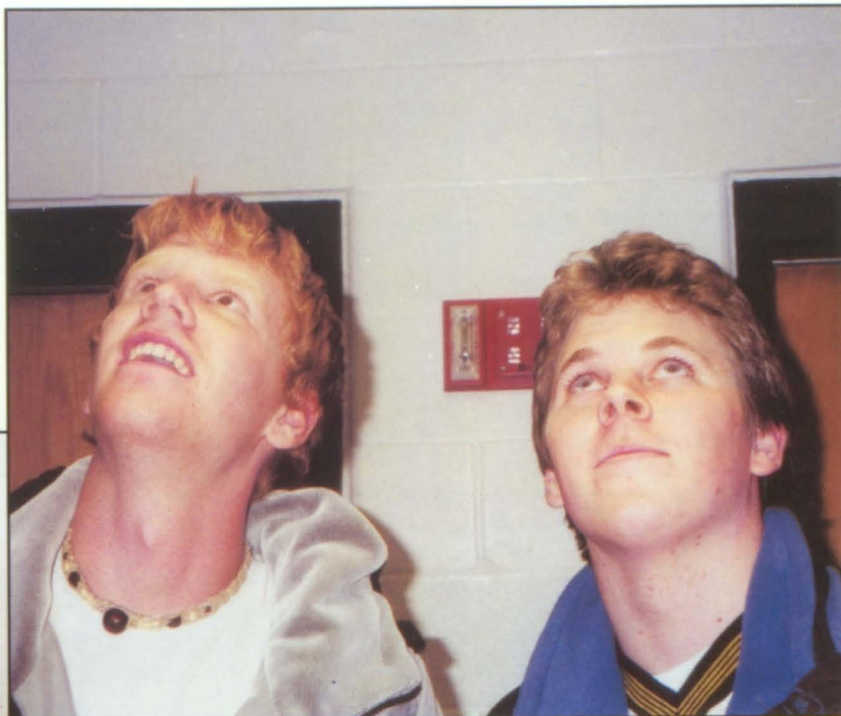
-Baillie admires Megan because she is always there for her and always knows exactly what she is thinking.



Erik Smestad & Tim Niccum

-Erik says Tim has taught him to be nice through reverse psychology.

-Both Erik and Tim say that their friendship has been their worst and best gift in life.



Jenny Erickson, Laura Schmidt, & Janelle Nelson

-Janelle says Jenny and Laura know how to laugh at the stupid things and be understanding about the important things.

Maggie Hilliard, Ashley Hagman, Taylor Stangret, & Janelle Zimmerman

-When the girls were in third grade, an older girl broke her leg. They thought it would be cool to break *their* legs, so the girls all jumped off the top of the playground to try to break their legs like her! Fortunately, it never worked.

Most Friends Said...

- | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. How often do you fight? | 0-1 time a week |
| 2. Favorite movie about friends? | Shrek |
| 3. Favorite friends on TV? | "Friends" |
| 4. Favorite song about friends? | "Friends" theme song |
| 5. Favorite friends activity? | Just chillin' |



Wildcats Show Spirit

During spirit week this year, there was much participation throughout the student body. Everyone was excited to show their personality during the week.

Monday was class color day. The seniors wore black,

juniors white, sophomores blue, and freshman red. The powder puff game was Monday night at 5:30 with the seniors claiming victory. Activity night followed the game.

On Tuesday, the theme

was Decade Day. This was a day to sport clothes that parents and grandparents used to wear. The ever-popular pajama day finally arrived on Wednesday. On Thursday, students dressed alike for twin day.

To end the exciting week, students were encouraged to go all out and show their pride for the purple and gold on Friday. GO WILDCATS!



Top: The senior powder puff team.

Above: Lindsey Lano, Emily VanKirk, Chrissi Nelson, Jenna Taylor, Stephanie Capaul, Lori Ledoux, Brittany Willborg, Erica Christenson,

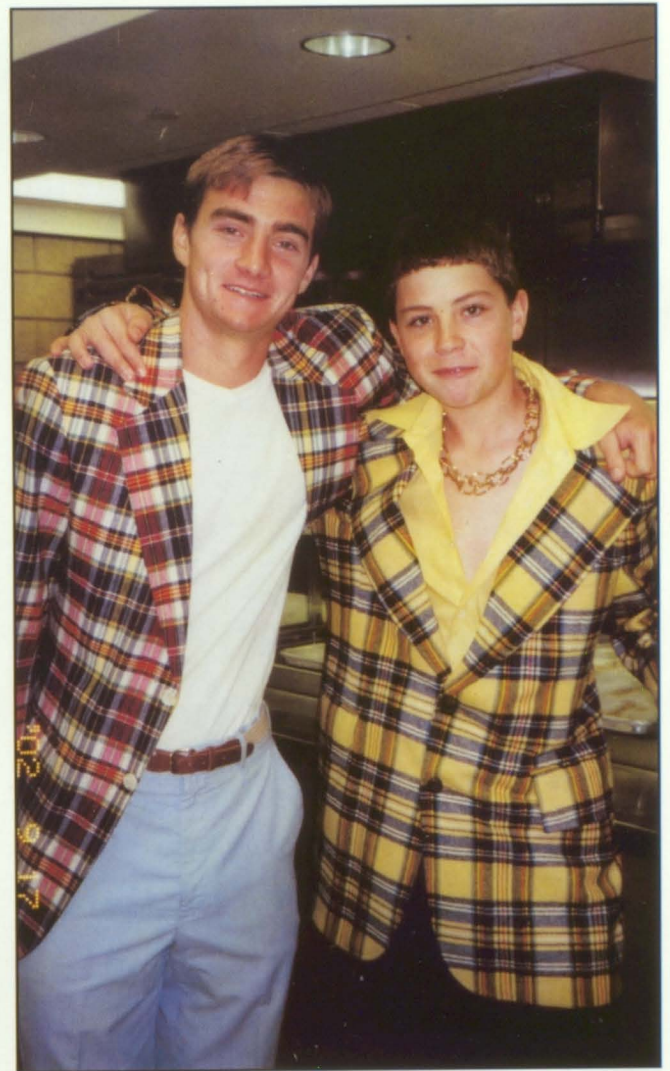
Tracy Kuphal, and Janelle Nelson all reunite with their twins on twin day.

Right: Jordan Myer and David Carrier show their sophomore pride.





Left: Olivia Boll, Keli Leivermann, Katherine Jonas, Bo Hill, and Kathryn Laulainen, show their class allegiance by wearing red on class color day.



Above Left: Mrs. Kurtz and Ms. Herzfeldt look alike on twin day.

Above: Phil Litfin and Kevin Deering show their spirit on Decade Day.



Left: Franny Gustafson and Louise Klingelhut play around before the big game.

Victory

Whether students enjoy the powderpuff game, the pep fests, or the special dress up days, homecoming is always a great week at WHS.

The cheers and yells from the crowd and cheerleaders were overpowering at the pepfest on Monday. Participation was the highest it has been in years.

As always, coronation was the most anticipated event during the week. On Friday afternoon Mike Anquist and Sonja Ellingson were crowned king and queen. Sonja Ellingson commented "I was really surprised!"

The entire homecoming court participated in a dress

up contest at the pepfest and went out to eat for breakfast and lunch.

The homecoming game was the first win of the season for the football team. "I think the school spirit helped us out a lot because there wasn't any let down among our team. Everyone was fired up during the whole game,"

commented Captain Mike Groschen about the big victory. With a win of 28-13 against Dassel Cokato, it was a great way to end homecoming week.

With the excitement over, Homecoming 2002 will be a great memory for many years to come.



Above: The football team waits to start a play.



Right: Cheerleaders do push-ups after the football team scores a touchdown.





Left: Travis Roush congratulates Mike Anquist on becoming the king.

Below: Mike Anquist and Sonja Ellingson are crowned the king and queen of 2002.



Middle left: The entire court:
Front- Darby Steiner and Leah Moore. Middle- Molly Anquist, Amanda Lemke, Meghan Menssen, Mike Anquist, Sonja Ellingson, Laura Anderson, Carly Brown, and

Kaylee Rasmussen.
Back- Travis Roush, Evan Johnson, Andrew Fredericksen, Michael Anderson, Dan Philp, Joe Morimoto, and Brian Rademacher.



Domination

The 2002 marching band season was full of oompa-loompas, pinwheels, and head-choppers. What are these? These were terms used to describe the moves done by the Waconia High School Marching Band in their summer 2002 show "Malaga."

During the season,

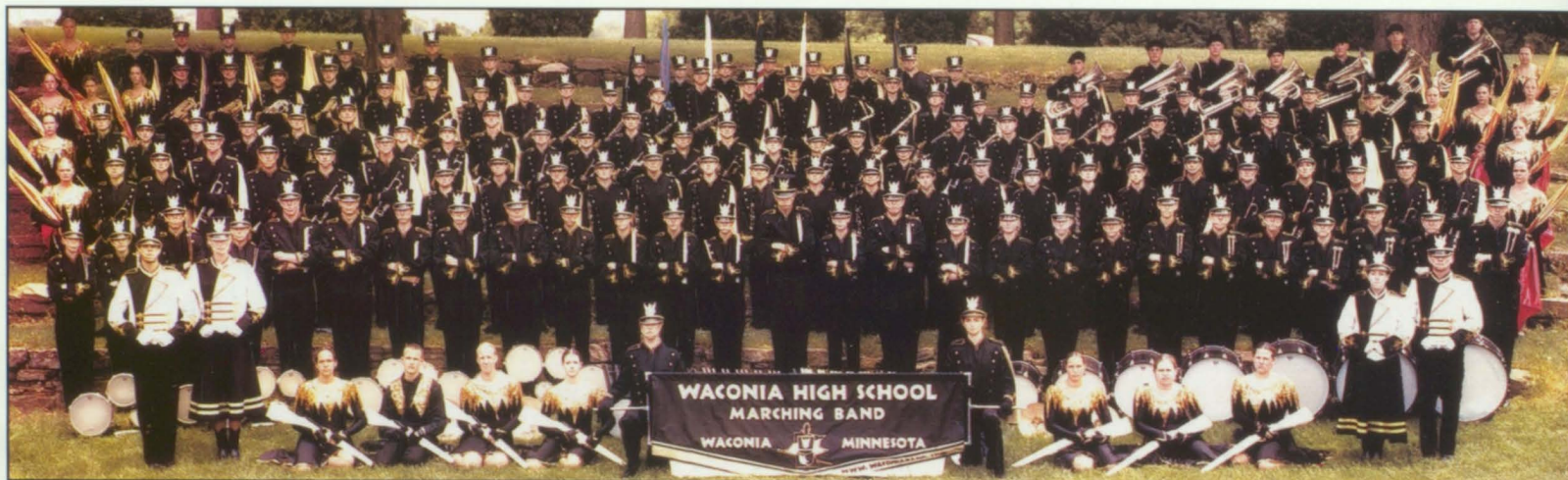
the band earned many awards. They received 6 grand champion, 2 first, 1 second, and 2 third place trophies.

The 2002 season was Mr. Schultz's last year with the band. When asked how he felt about Mr. Schultz leaving, Mr. Dunton said, "Professionally, I was very excited

because it was the perfect time for Mr. Schultz to leave and start something a little different. Meanwhile, I got the opportunity to continue my work with the marching band. Personally, I was sad to see Mr. Schultz go. He was a fun guy, and great to bounce ideas off of."

Participating in the

National Cherry Festival at Traverse City, Michigan, was a real treat for the members. The band competed in two parades, and took part in various activities including a frigid swim in Lake Michigan and a trip to the famous Macinac Island.



MARCHING BAND

Commanders

Alex Krukowski
Sonja Ellingson
Luke Schiller
Sarah Gibbs

AM Squad

Amanda Bammert
John Bly
Michael Bly
Mary Deweese
Derek Eiden
Kirsten Indrelie
Laura Jensen
Alex Quiring
Rianna Segner
Heather Bradt

Colorguard

Nicole Klaustermeier
Merideth Lamberger
Jamie Asp
Katie Clinch
Amanda Dingwall

Tina Domjahn
Emily Eder
Chelsea Engstrom
Bethany Wall
Valene Zakashefski
Tasha Lindeman
Katie Zancig
Carrie Hagman
Scott Connor
Kaylee Rasmussen
Jennifer Bostic
Nicole Sampson
Kayla DeBoer
Melissa Ruscher

Flute

Stephanie Bruesehoff
Samantha Foust
Amanda Hecksel-Read
Carly Moore
Julie Neborak
Anna Overson
Cherie Seaman
Jenna Taylor
Courtney Wallace

Tim Connor
Lauren Hackbarth
Claire Salvesson
Chrissi Nelson

Clarinet

Christine Anderson
Katie Herling
Kathryn Hilliard
Brianna Johnson
Samantha Konrardy
Kari Luce
Jessica Mathwig
Kate Munson
Mallory O'Neil
Jessie Bammert
Lindsay Fischbach
Ali Klason

Ashlee Hackbarth
Ashley Hagman
Katie Hedstrom

Alto Saxophone

Laura Christensen
Megan Fredericksen
Justine Gilbertson

Lauren Krukowski
Jennifer Olson
Ayla Stangret
Amber Storms
Mallory Hanson
Lindsey Lano
Maureen Ayers Looby
Jenny Nelson
Janelle Zimmerman

Tenor Saxophone

David Deering
Kevin Deering
Joey Hiben
Josh Peterson

Baritone Saxophone

Ernie Flemig
Brady Gibbs

Trumpet

Ashley Berndt
Desiree Dantona
David Flemig
Daniel Gjertson
Kelly Hulke
Jackie Jensen

Maggie Klason
Kathryn Laulainen
Brian Lenzen
Bridget Ayers Looby
Megan Masurka
Ted Moore
Alison Stole
Aaron Wagner
Nate Laulainen
Michael Anderson
Laura Anderson
Stephanie Capaul
Jim Dammann
Eric Ellingson
Marc Ellingson
Jenna Ely
Lucy Gunness
Hannah Hjelmand
Amanda Janzen
Anna Jonas
Andrew Fredericksen

Horn

Carrie Bly
Gretchen Saunders

Katherine Jonas
Baritone

Jake Condon
Jordan Peters
Matt Heger
Ben Timm

Tuba

Eric Butteris
Chris Falk
Tony Schilling
John Ansell
Brian Falk
Erik Smestad
Aaron Templin

Drumline

Krista Anderson
Pat Deering
Matt Eiden
Justin Ely
Martha Lemke
Louise Klingelutz
Jessica Falk
Amanda Gaddo
Simon Gustafson

Dan Held
Sam Holtberg
Maggie Hilliard
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Daniel Klingelutz
Michael Krahulec
Natalie Maser
Jordan Meyer
Toni Mochinski
Dan Philp
Amanda Scheff
Becky Solheim
Katelyn Waletich
Dan Wallace
Kaaren Warnes
Brian Johnson
Jennifer Schnobrich
Abby Welch

Below: Commanders Sarah Gibbs and Luke Schiller do a dance during the swing section of "Malaga."



Right: The colorguard performs with a smile at the Waconia Band Festival.



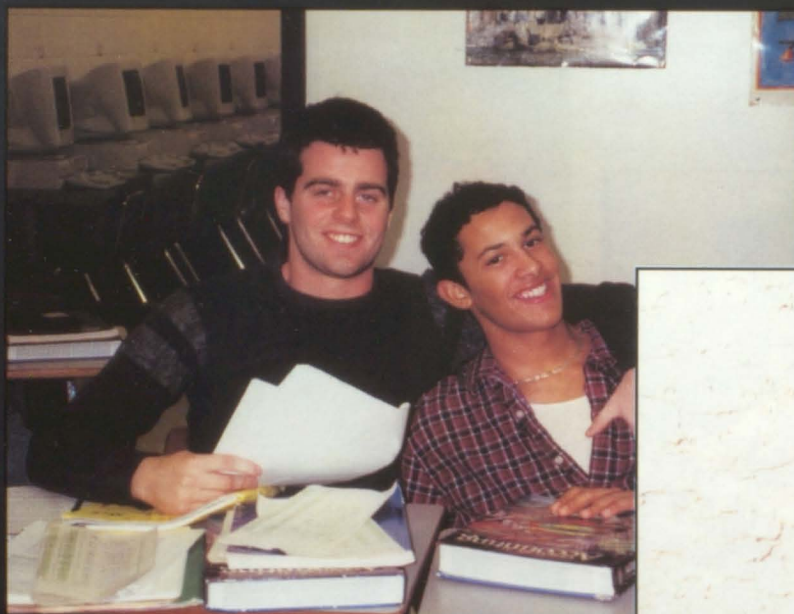
Above: Michael Anderson plays his trumpet.

Left: Marching band members learn to dune jump at the Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes.



*Senior Class Motto:
Learn from Yesterday, Live for Today, Dream for Tomorrow*

Seniors



Left: Evan Johnson and Micah Young take a moment out of accounting to take a snapshot.

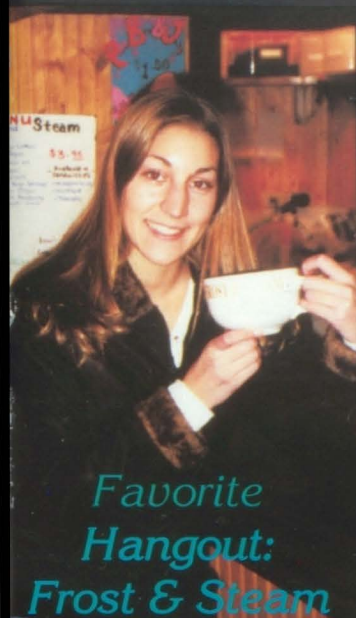
Right: Senior Brittany Willborg poses with a big bell.



Left: Franny Gustafson, Emily Eder, Katie Zancig, and Shelby Lenzen are excited for the powderpuff game.

Right: Michael Anderson and Nathan Laulainen are wild with senior pride.

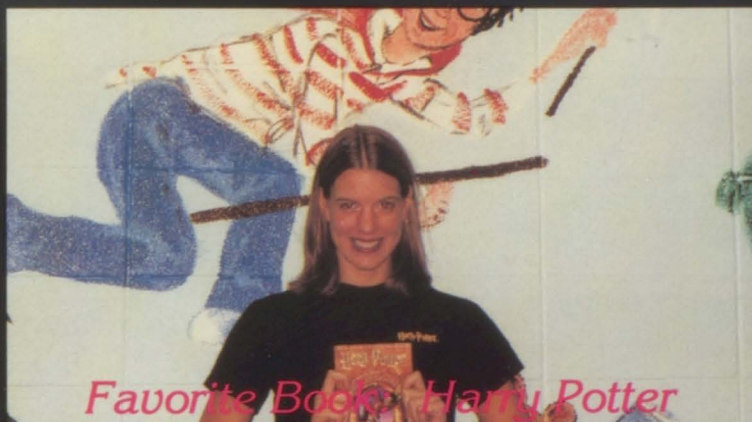




*Favorite Hangout:
Frost & Steam*

*Favorite Movie:
Dumb & Dumber*

*Favorite TV Show:
Friends*



Favorite Book: Harry Potter

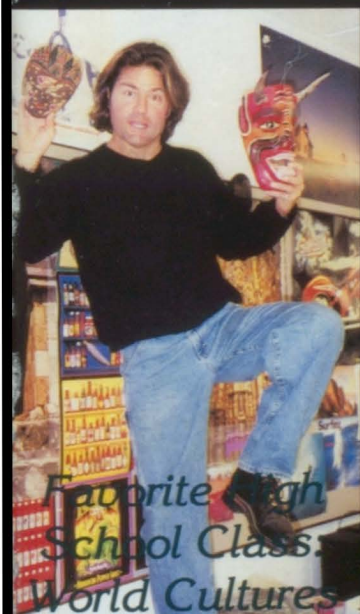


*Favorite Fashion Label:
American Eagle*

*Favorite Actress:
Julia Roberts*

Senior Favorites

*Favorite Actor:
Vin Diesel*



*Favorite High School Class:
World Cultures*



*Favorite Band:
Red Hot Chili Peppers*

*Favorite Restaurant:
Applebees*

*Favorite Song:
Good Riddance
(Time of Your Life)
-Green Day*

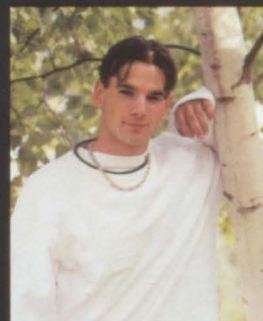
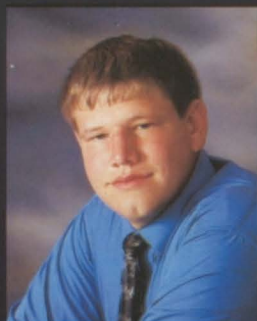
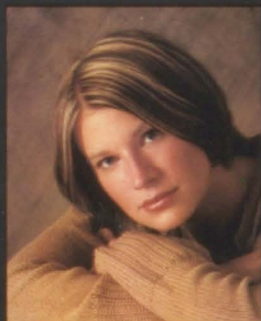


*Favorite Magazine:
Cosmopolitan*

Evan Abrahamson
 Laura Anderson
 Michael Anderson
 Michael Anquist



Molly Anquist
 John Ansell
 Jeremy Armstrong
 Ashley Artmann



Makenzie Bakken
 Tatjana Becker
 Summer Becklund
 Morgan Berndt



Best Friends - Guys

Dan Philp, Michael Anderson, Alex Krukowski,
 Nate Laulainen



Best Friends - Girls

Stephanie Capaul, Lori Ledoux, Lucy Gunness



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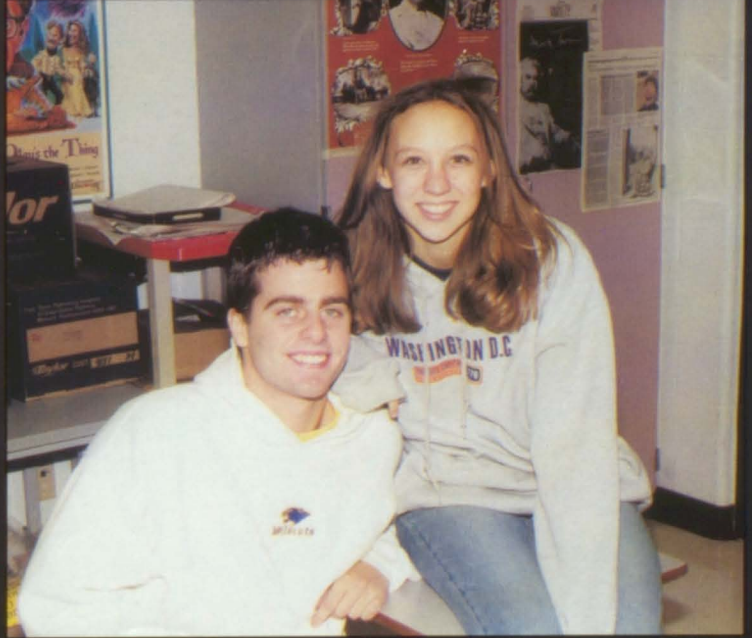
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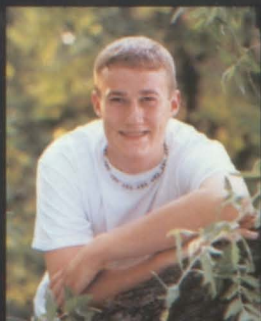


Most Likely to Succeed
Anna Jonas, Philip Litfin



Best Writer
Evan Johnson, Janelle Zimmerman

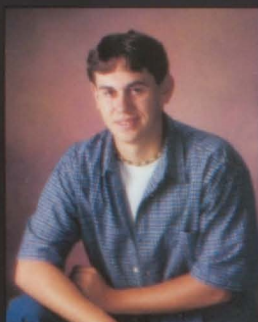
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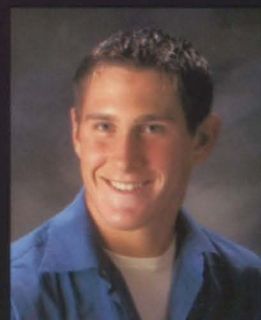
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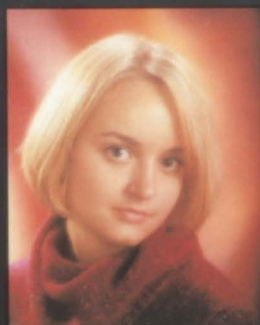
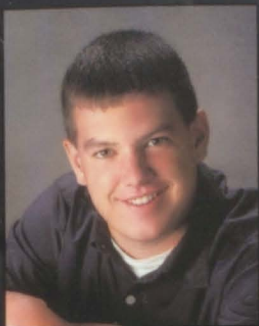


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Sofie Gotting
Jennifer Grier



Michael Groschen
Lucy Gunness



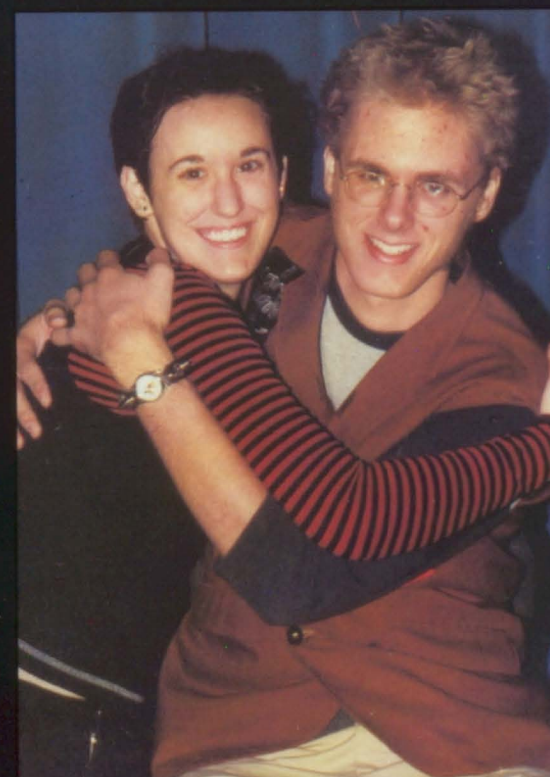
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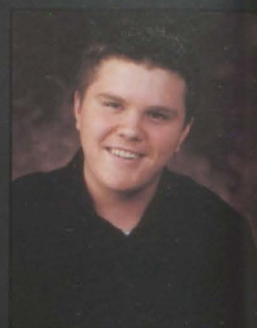
Best Dressed
Matt Jensen, Anna Carrigan



Most Changing Style
Lindsey Debner, Ben Boughton



Michael Hartung
Timothy Hetherington



Michael Hill
Margaret Hilliard



Best Actor/ Actress
Franny Gustafson, John Ansell

Hannah Hjelsand
Garrett Hoppenrath



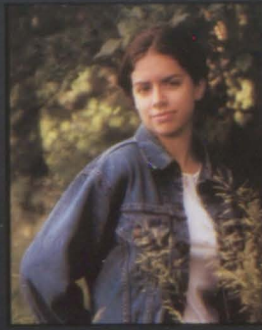
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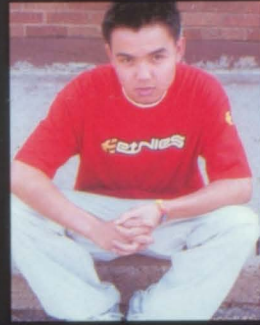
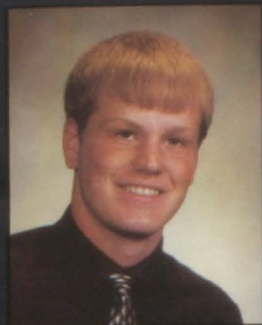
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Evan Johnson



Most Musical
Jackie Olson, Alex Krukowski



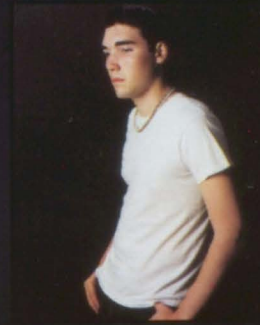
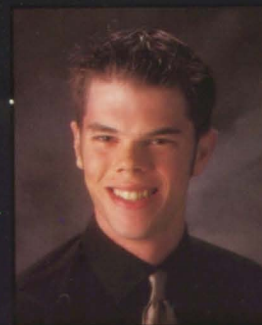
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Tiffany Johnston
Anna Jonas
Nicole Joyce



John Keefe
Julie Kelzer
Phoungoun Khonkhammy
Steven Kjergaard



Jeffrey Klein
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Lenore Kolar
William Kornelis



Alex Krukowski
Tracy Kuphal
Ian Lulich
Lindsey Lano



Nathan Laulainen
Edward Laumann
Lori Ledoux
Amanda Lemke







Best Laugh

Rhonda Skraba, Evan Johnson



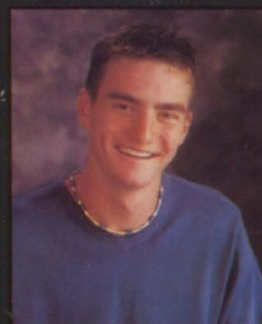
Best Sense of Humor

Amanda Lemke, Blake Schulz

Shelby Lenzen
Sean Lewis
Micah Linehan
Karrie Linhoff



Philip Litfin
Antonia Maistrova
Angie Massengale
Jonothon McKee



Kymberly Mehus
Meghan Menssen
Kayla Menth
Matt Meuleners





Most Athletic

Heidi Paulson, Andrew Fredericksen



Most Spirited

Michael Anderson, Megan Haberling



Justin Meyers
Becky Mieseler
Roxanne Mieseler
Baillie Miller

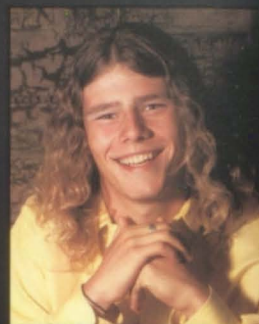


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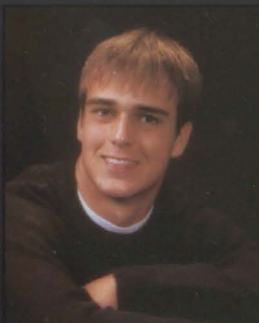


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Andrea Ptacek



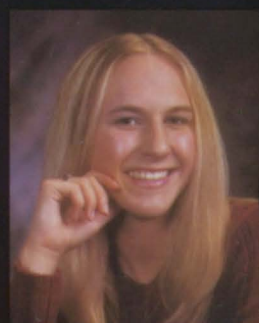
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Kory Rambow
Sara Redinger



James Reimer
Benjamin Robb
Stephanie Roepke
Amber Rogney



Travis Roush
Danielle Sampson
Martha Saunders
Cassandra Schaffer





Curtis Schmidt
Laura Schmidt



Blake Schulz
Rhonda Skraba



Erik Smestad
Alex Smith



Taylor Stangret
Bradley Steinhagen



Katie Sterner
Jacob Sutherland



Prettiest Eyes
Jen Olson, Jedd Braunwarth



Best Smile
Meghan Menssen, Nate Laulainen

Carl Szczepanski
 Jamie Ta
 Leanne Tanguay
 Jenna Taylor



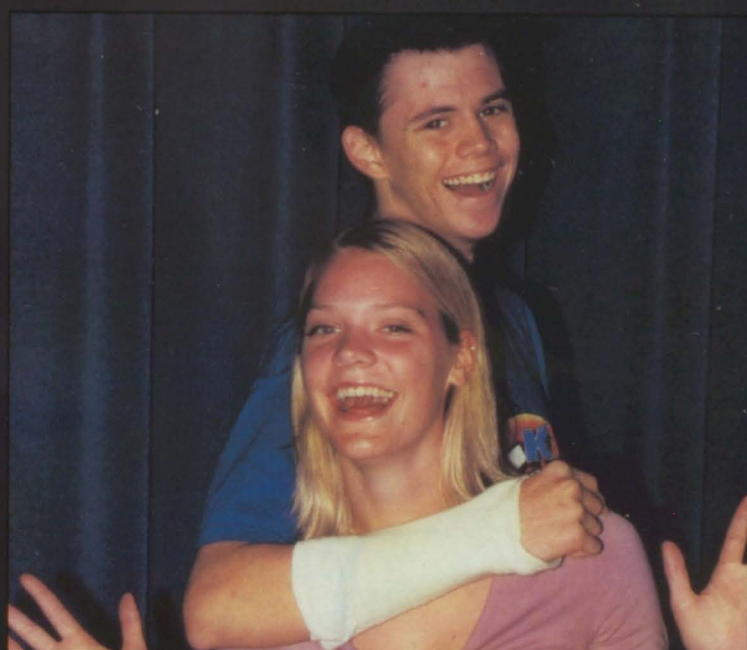
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 John Tietz
 Emily VanKirk



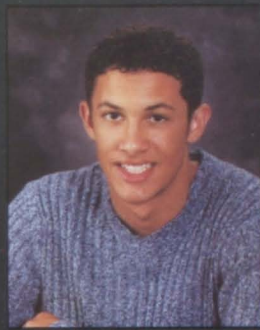
David Wabbe
 Katherine Wachholz
 Dennis Westlund
 Brittany Willborg



Most Unpredictable
 Jenny Grier, Ben Boughton



Most Accident Prone
 Sonja Ellingson, Jono McKee



Tracy Winkler
Peter Wollan
Micah Young
Catherine Zancig

Not Pictured:

Matthew Anderson, Chris Dunn, Curtis Fritz, Jason Ingolfslund, Caleb Jetto, Clayton Kahmeyer, Nicholas Longhway, Chistina Lussier, Lisa McGee, Justin Pearson, Christian Sappington, Tim Schendel, Emily Sims, Heather Wachlin, Alyssa Wegener, James Wilber



Janelle Zimmerman



Left: Senior class members pose during homecoming week.



Most Artistic

Sara Redinger (not pictured), Evan Abrahamson



Best Car

Curtis Schmidt, Jena Niesen

Seniors At Work



Above: Lucy Gunness folds stylish sweaters at Waconia's Clearwater Clothing.

Below: Jenny Grier and Alaina Caviness have some time for fun while working at Waconia Cleaners.



Above: Leanne Tanguay sorts books while working at the Waconia Public Library.

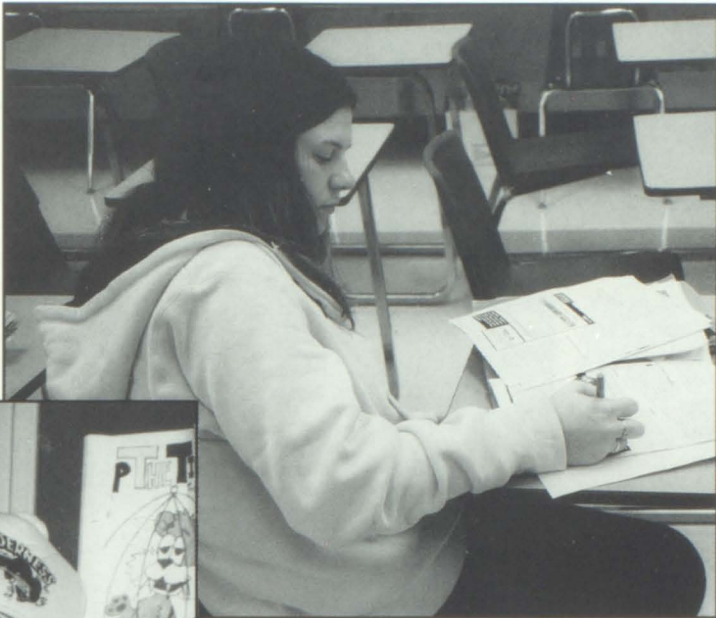
Below: Emily Eder and Chrissi Nelson get ready to teach swimming lessons at Safari Island.



Below: Malerie Stevens and Cynthia Ratsabouth dress alike for Twin Day.



Below: Ryan Schmakel snow mobiling in the Hillcross Race in Superior, Wisconsin.



Above: Val Zakashefski studies for a test.



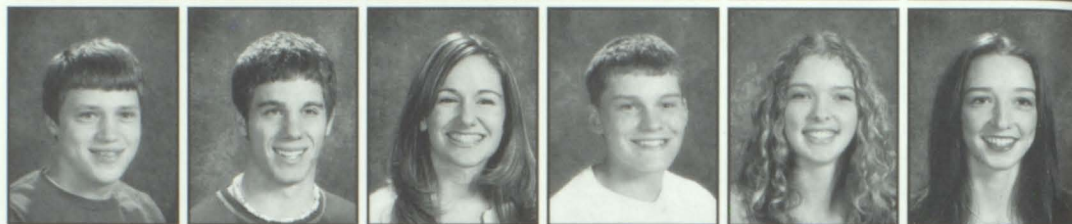
Above: Jeff Chrest, Brady Brink, and Ben Smothers work on a paper in the computer lab.

Juniors

Daniel Allen
Jacklyn Anderson
Nickolas Anderson
Jamie Asp
Megan Bailey
Brittany Bammert



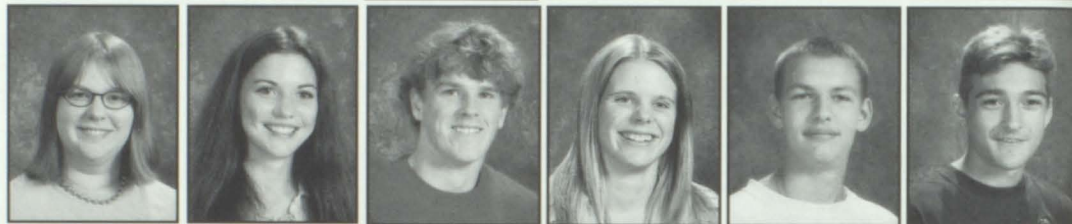
Kyle Beilby
James Berg
Regan Bjorklund
Andrew Bongard
Cortney Bongard
Jennifer Bostic



Jennifer Brandenburg
Jeremy Brandenburg
Katherine Braun
Brady Brink
Courtney Buesgens
Christopher Bullis



Susan Bush
Danielle Chinander
Jeffrey Chrest
Amanda Clemensen
Scott Connor
William Cradick



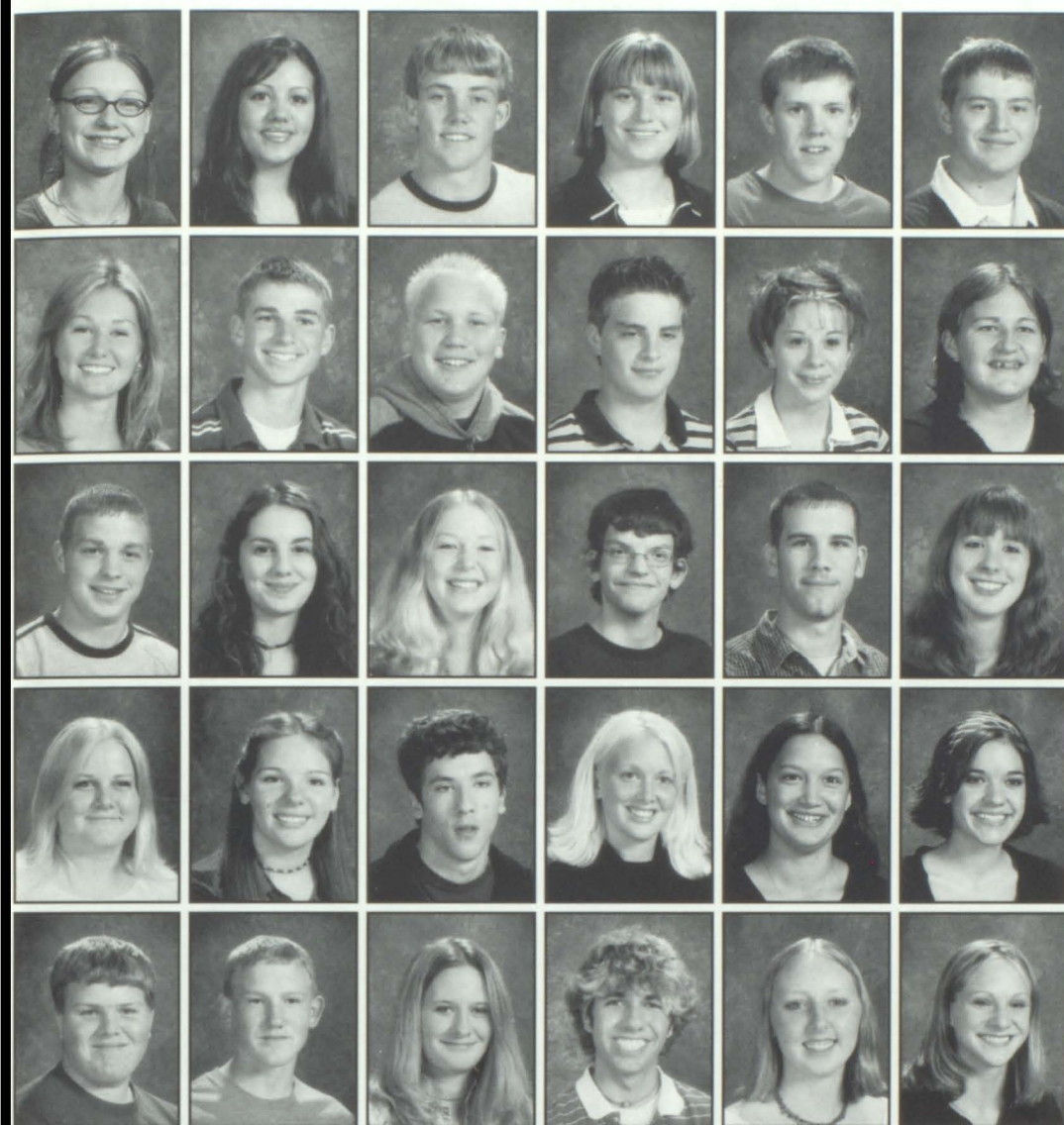
Andrea Dalen
Cortney Dammann
James Dammann
Reka Dandliker
David Deering



Robyn Schlueter and Theresa Sletto take a second out of class to take a picture together.



Chris Bullis, Suze Harvat, Andy Meeks, Justin Reitsma, and Danielle Chinander are ready for the big powderpuff game.



Katerina Delon
Amanda Dirks
Brant Douville
Brittney Ebert
Ethan Ebert
Matthew Eiden

Jenna Ely
Corey Erickson
Matthew Ernst
Brian Falk
Chenelle Felt
Lindsay Fischbach

Philip Franklin
Amanda Gaddo
Amanda Gelhaye
Adam Gentz
Dennis Gieser
Jennifer Glashan

Emily Goede
Lauren Hackbarth
Jeffrey Hanson
Mallory Hanson
Rochelle Hartung
Suzanne Harvat

Andrew Hathaway
Craig Hatlestad
Chelsea Haugen
Ryan Hayes
Marissa Held
Melissa Henderson



Chelsea Haugen and Heather Schendel have fun in the science lab.



Nick Anderson shows off his banjo talent during Turkey Bingo.

Worth the Price?

Average Expenses for Prom

2 Tickets (including meal, pictures, and post prom): \$80.00

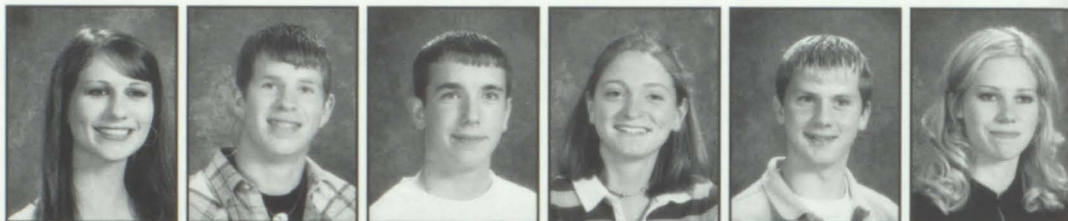
Prom dress: \$130.00

Shoes: \$45.00

Garter: \$10.00

Jewelry/Accessories: \$15.00

Jaclynn Hennen
Nicholas Hentges
Ryan Hilfers
Paula Hilgers
Ryan Hill
Samantha Hoff



McKinzie Hubbard-Rossberg
Amanda Janzen
Bethany Jetto
Johnny Johnson
Adam Jones
Lacey Jorgensen



Sergey Kaurov
Sara Kelzer
Alisha Klason
Louise Klingelhutz
Sara Koch
John Kratzke



Cody Krause
Kevin Krautbauer
Crystal Kroells
Mitchel Lahr
Sasha Landskov
Reid Larsen



Damon Laukala
Johanna Lee
Jennifer Legahn
Adam Lehrke
Jacob Leshner
Tasha Lindemann



Getting your hair done: \$45.00
 Tuxedo (and bow tie): \$112.00
 Boutonniere: \$6.50
 Corsage: \$15.00
 Limo: \$60.00 per couple

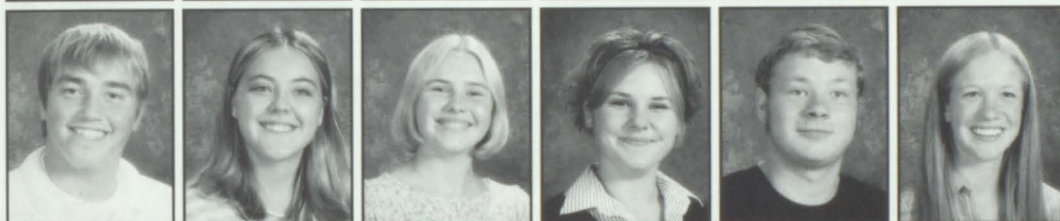


Average Total per Couple:
\$473.00

Memories from prom: Priceless



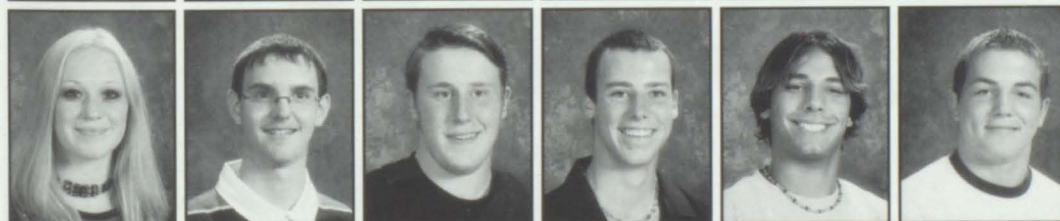
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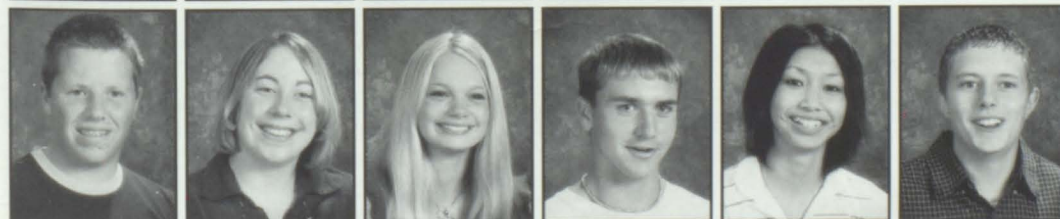
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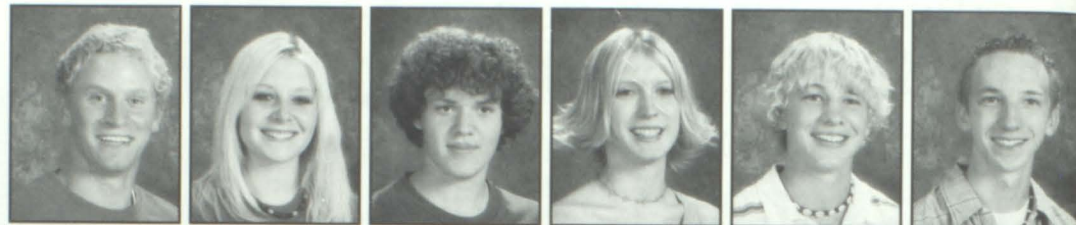


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 Jonathan Priess



Brian Rademacher
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 Kaylee Rasmussen
 Wesley Rasmussen
 Cynthia Ratsabouth
 Justin Reich

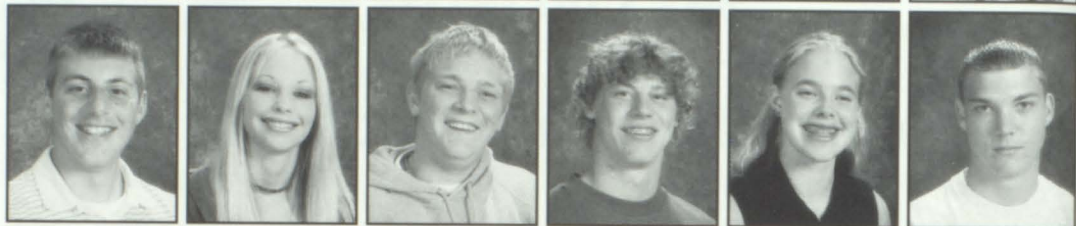
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Nathan Ring
Nadine Ristow
Jeremy Robb
Justin Rosckes



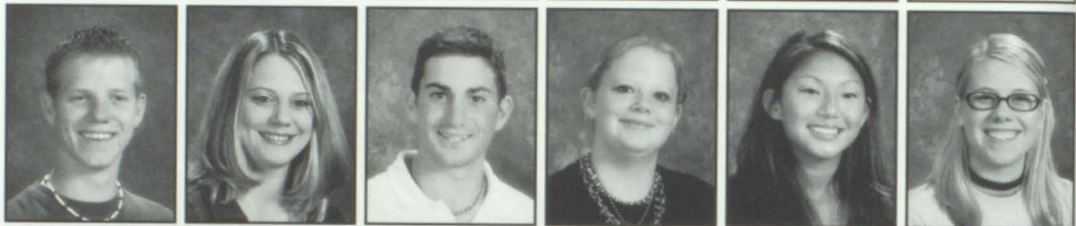
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Dustin Salden
Aaron Salo
Claire Salveson
Heather Schendel



Anthony Schilling
Robyn Schlueter
Ryan Schmako
Reilly Schoo
Miriam Schwachow
Charlie Skogstad



Dillon Sletten
Theresa Sletto
Benjamin Smothers
Katherine Stairs
Akayla Stevens
Malerie Stevens



Hannah Strahota
Katherine Stuewe
Dayna Sudheimer
Mallory Tevis
Amanda Thaemert
Ryder Thompson



Hannah Strahota poses in the hall with her favorite candy.



Nate Ring gets ready to shoot for the goal.



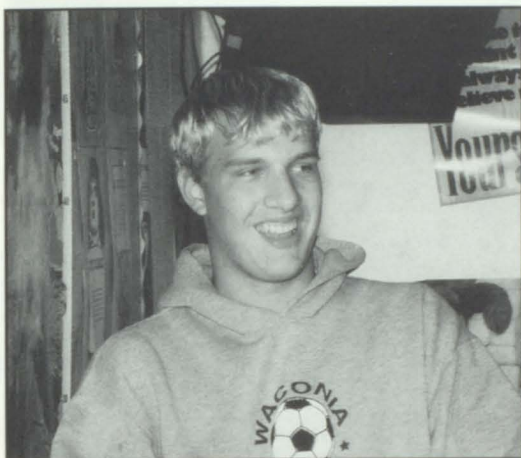
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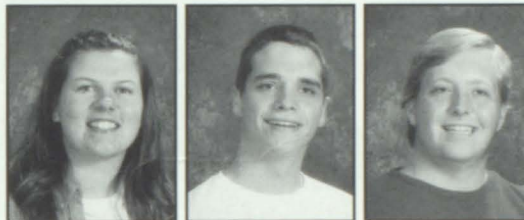
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Daniel Wallace
Jeremiah Warwick
Cara Weinzierl
Mathias Weinzierl
Ross Weinzierl



Amanda Wenning
Luke Wilhelm
Anna Willems
Casandra Williams
Laura Wold
Robert Wood



Left: Dan Allen smiles while in Mr. Machtemes' class.



Valene Zakashefski
Brian Ziesmer
David Ziesmer



Andrea Dalen, Cassie Williams, Claire Salveson, and Jen Brandenburg hang out during morning break.



Amanda Wenning relaxes in class.

Sophomores



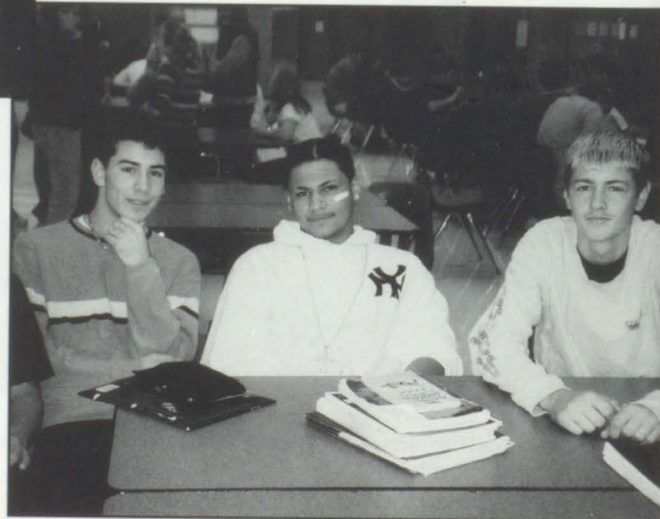
Above: Sean Stein, Brady Gibbs, Darby Steiner and Amber Storms catch up on their homework.

Below: Cherie Seaman and Rachel Boughton introduce us to the set of Footloose



Above: Bethany Slice and Katie Groschen hang out in between classes.

Below: Joe Morimoto, Anthony Lussier, and Steven Helgerson relax at morning break.





Vaughn Aaze-Wiitala
Krista Anderson
Michael Anderson
Bridget Ayerslooby
Melissa Beaudry
Andrew Benedix



Bradley Bening
Luke Billings
Michelle Blegen
Carolyn Bly
Jacob Bongard
Rachel Boughton



Heather Bradt
Adam Braun
Joshua Breyer
Grant Bruckelmyer
Stephanie Bruesehoff
Jacob Buetow



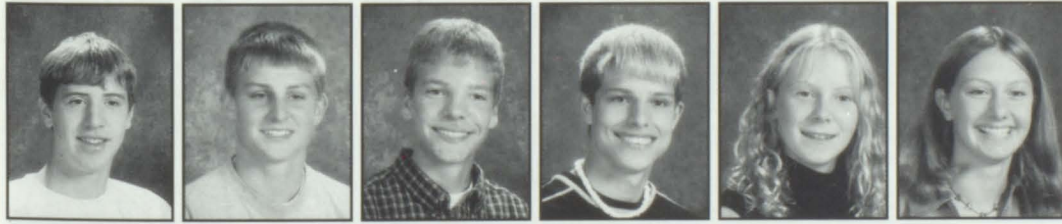
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Ryan Carlson
David Carrier
Lucas Chester
Laura Christensen



Britany Christenson
Jordan Ciaccio
Kathryn Clinch
Jacob Condon
Aaron Cook
Abby Corson



Patrick Deering
Estelle Denbrook
Jenna Dibble
Courtney Dixon
Kristina Domjahn
Cody Edlund



Brandon Engelen
Adam Erickson
Adam Fisel
David Flemig
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Samantha Foust

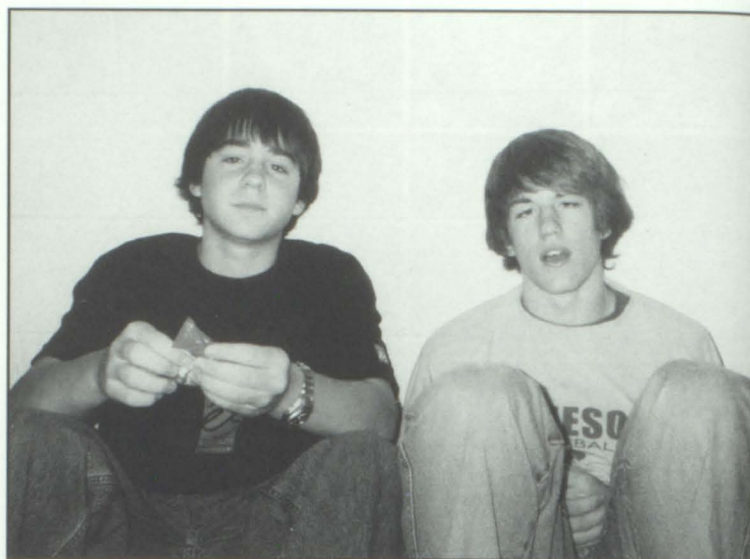


Megan Fredricksen
Jeffrey Gedden
Sara Gee
Jacquelin Geffre
Michelle Gesinger
Brady Gibbs

Adam Erickson, David Flemig, Jake Condon, and Sean Stein ponder something in the sophomore hallway.



Jared Swift and Ben Timm hang out during morning break.



Justine Gilbertson
Daniel Gjertson
Christine Goergen
Stefanie Gray
Katie Groschen
Dora Guerrero



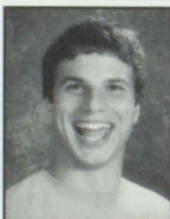
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Christian Hanson



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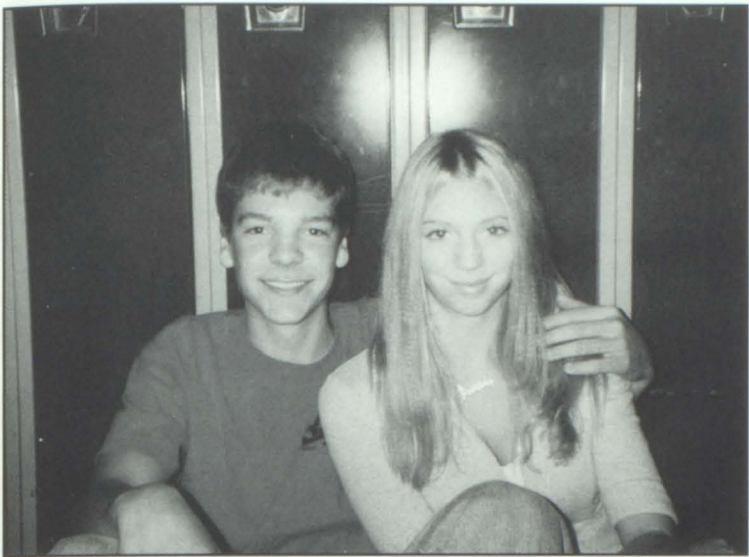
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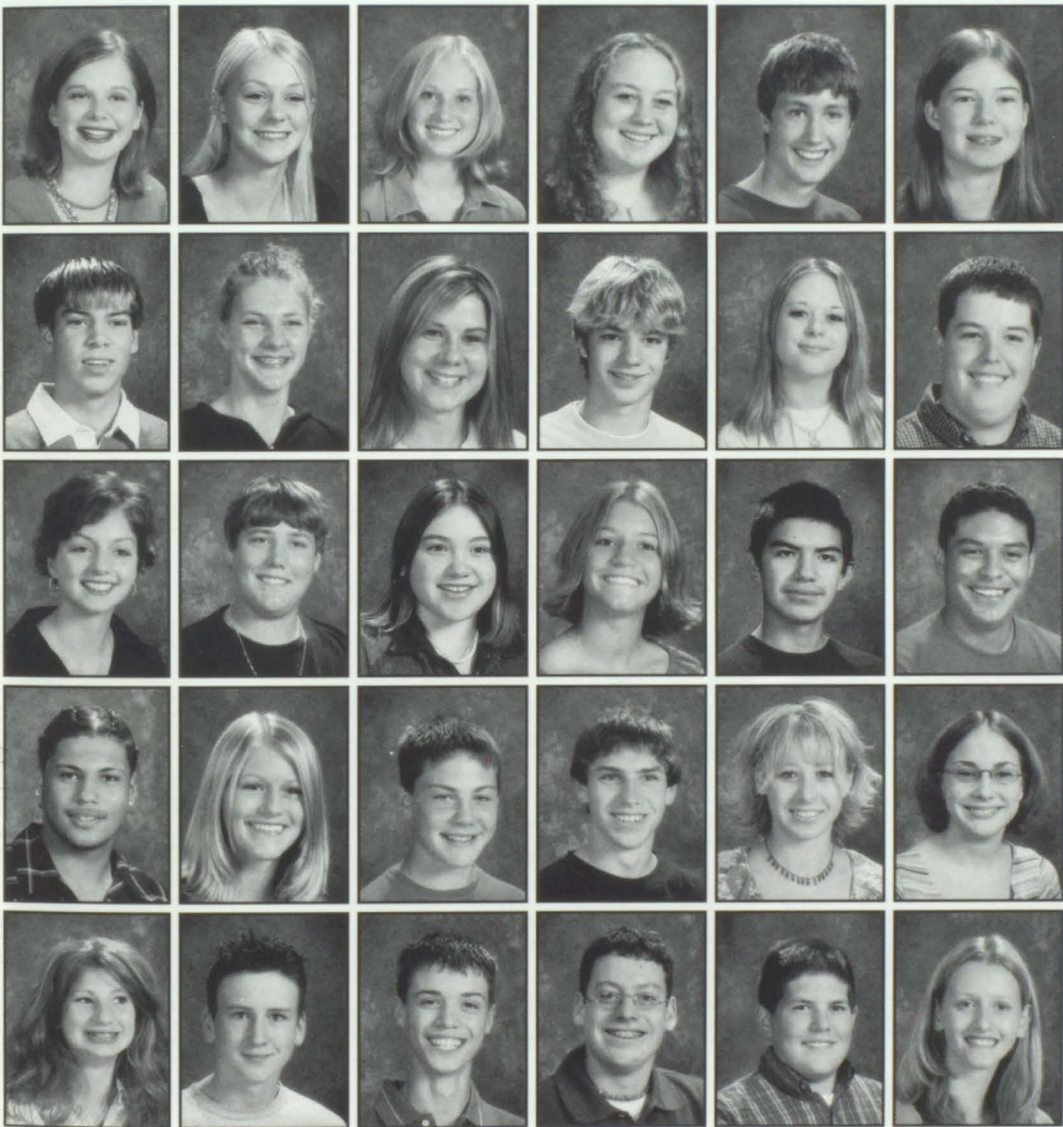
Jennifer Hunter
Thomas Jacobs
Joanna Jaworski
Jackie Jensen
Kerin Jetto
Allison Johnson



Adam Fisel and Courtney Dixon take a break between classes.



Jennie Walker, Tess Surat, and Kellie Hoen smile in history class.



Brianna Johnson
Sara Karrow
Maggie Klason
Nicole Klaustermeier
Daniel Klingelhutz
Samantha Konrardy

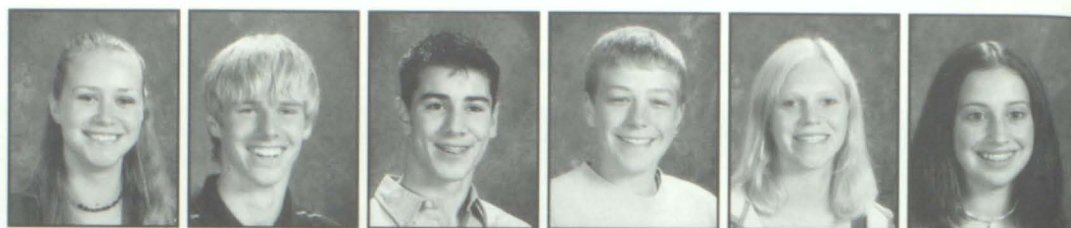
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Isai Luna

Anthony Lussier
Natalie Maiser
Nicholas Marxen
Jeremiah Mason
Jessica Mathwig
Kristina Mehus

Tina Melchert
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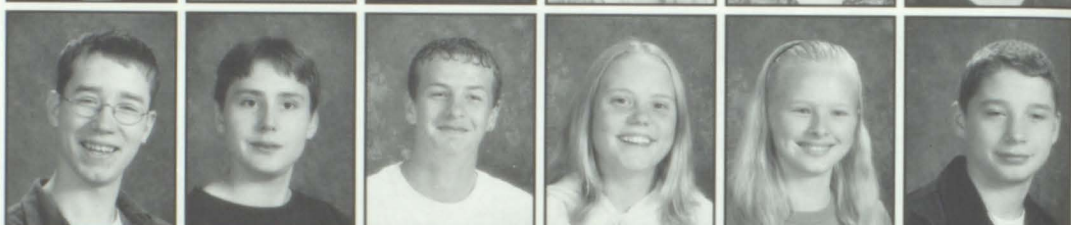
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Jenna Pemberton
Jordan Peters



Garrett Pforr
Jason Polo
Zak Precht
Lindsey Rague
Crystal Reese
Stephen Rien



Landon Rochat-Boeser
Joshua Ruiz
Andrew Ruscher
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Nicole Sampson
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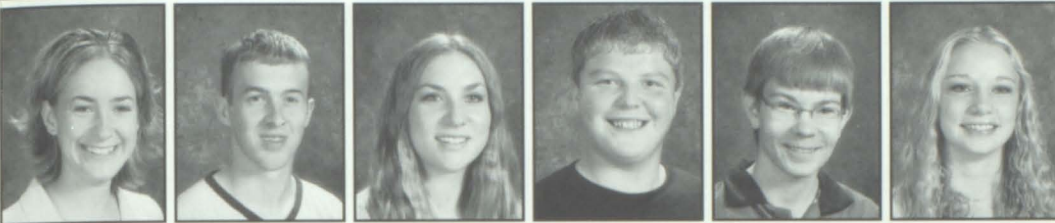
Eric Butteris, Kelsey Paulson, and Allison Johnson make some funny faces for the camera.



Sara Gee, Kate Munson, Jamie Leslie, Estelle Denbrook, Jenny Hunter, and Cristal Lopez hang out during morning break.



Gregory Sandeen
Michael Schaffer
Amanda Scheff
Jacob Schieffer
Ashly Schmaltz
Crystal Schmidt



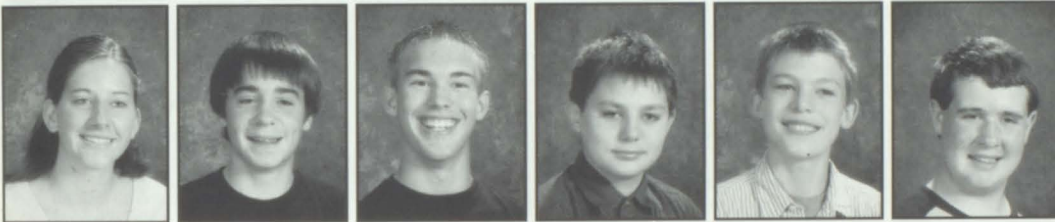
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Madelyn Sims
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Meagan Smith
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Kate Solheim
Tyler Stahn



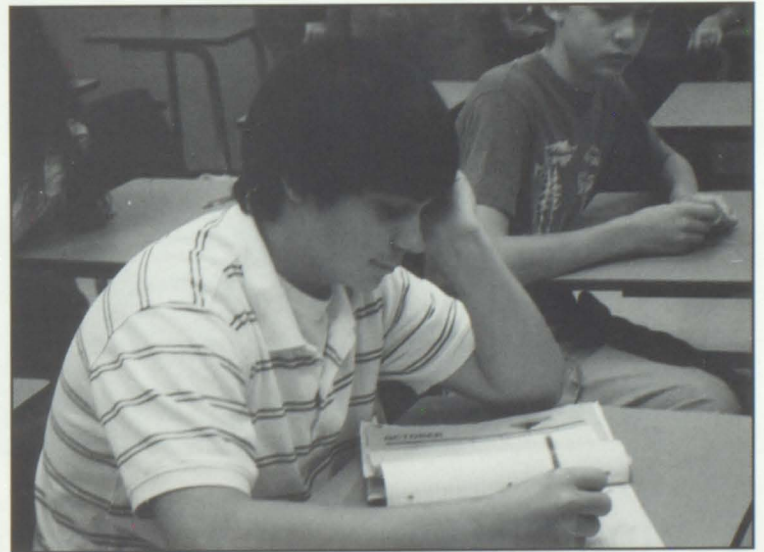
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Sean Stein
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Tess Surat
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William Szczepanski
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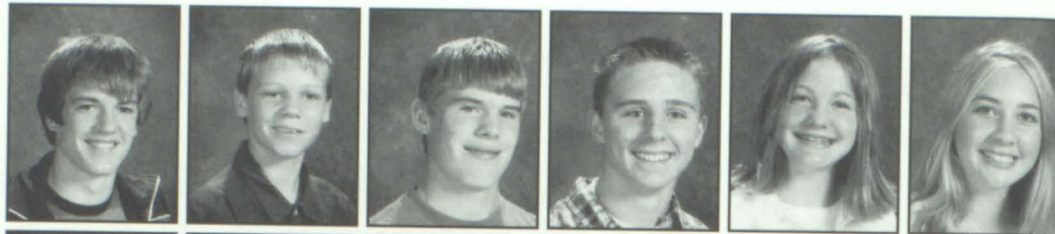


Kerin Jetto, Kristina Mehus, Lindsay Schneewind, Madelyn Sims, and Melissa Beaudry pose for a photo in the hallway.



Jared Swift studies for a test.

Benjamin Timm
Justin Trombley
Jeff Vanderlinde
Nathan Waldvogel
Katelyn Waletich
Jennie Walker



Bethany Wall
Anthony Wells
Kari Wickenhauser
Stetson Wilkening
Blake Willborg
Ashley Wuksinich



Amanda Wurst
Cal Zupan



The Price of Freedom

The ability to drive doesn't mean you can pay for it!

License (process and print): \$9.50

Parents' Insurance Policy: Female- \$634 for six months
Male -\$786 for six months

Speeding Ticket: \$85.00-195.00

Seat Belt Violation: \$70.00

Careless Driving: \$145.00

Parking in a Handicapped Zone: \$245.00

Average Total (with some violations): \$1019.50

Seeing the faces of your parents when you tell them you
got a ticket: Priceless

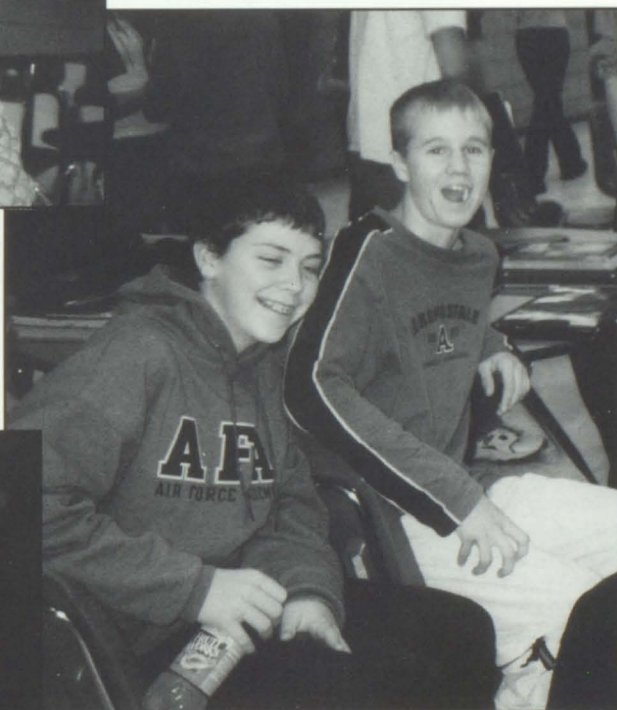
Below: Anna Philp wears a flashy coat for Decade Day.



Below: Aaron Wagner concentrates during a marching band parade.



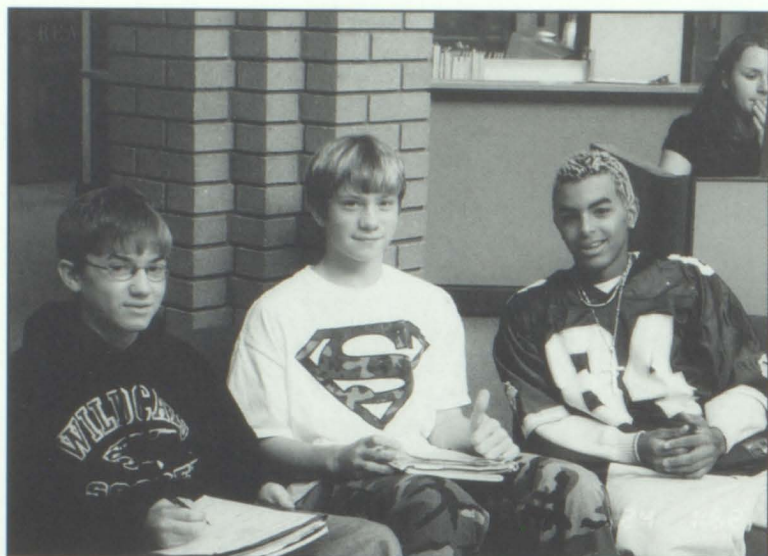
Above: Bria Torgenson, Desiree Dantona, Ashley Berndt, Jessica Kroells, Ashley Iacona, and Becky Solheim pose in the Media Center.



Above: Kevin Deering and Justin Ely hang out during morning break.

Freshmen

Ryan Vogel, David Hobbs and Grady Albright hang out in the media center.



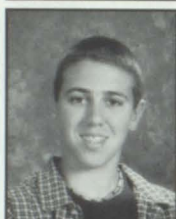
Olivia Boll and Ashley Iacona work on English homework.



Grady Albright
Cassie Alkire
Cerise Anderson
Christine Anderson
Jason Anderson
Jenna Anderson



Jason Armstrong
Joshua Austin
Jonathan Bakke
Allison Barnard
Joshua Beckmann
Ashley Berndt



Sean Bernier
Aaron Boldt
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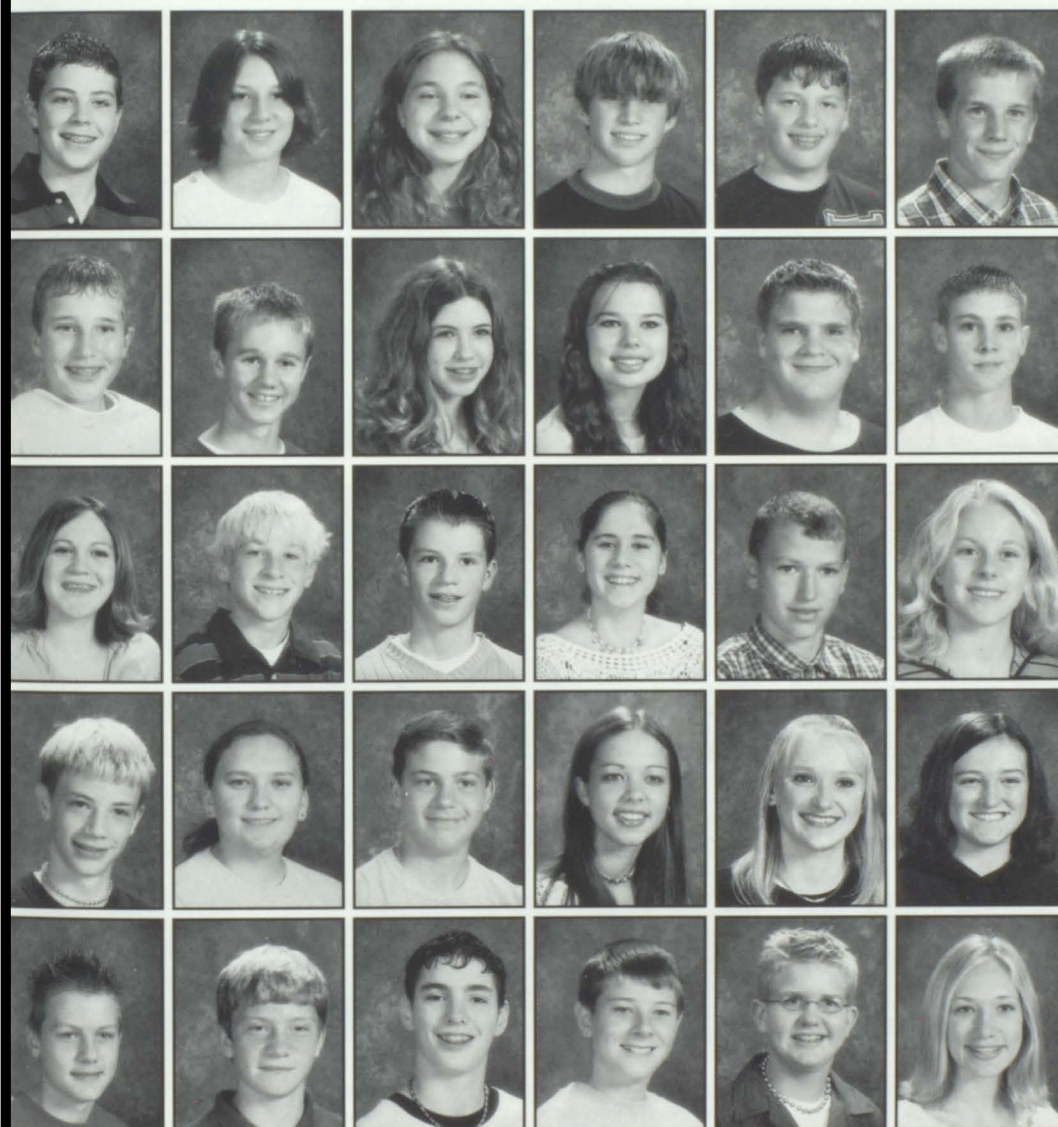
Mackenzie Collins
Thomas Cradick
Sophia Crosby
Desiree Dantona
Jessica Davis
Kayla Deboer



am Holtberg, Alex Kalasich, Kevin Deering, Matt Neubauer, and Luke
ullivan hang out after eating lunch.



Jenny VanKirk, Nanette Ristow, Megan Masurka, Melissa Mowry, Lauren
Krukowski, Elizabeth Fischbach, Olivia Boll, Sofie Crosby, Megan Sipper
on decade day.



Kevin Deering
Emma Denbrook
Amanda Dingwall
Matthew Douville
Marcus Dummer
Kyle Durkin

Nathan Eder
Justin Ely
Kelsey Engelen
Chelsea Engstrom
Christopher Falk
Dennis Fiebelkorn

Elizabeth Fischbach
Adam Frank
Zachary Gatheridge
Michelle Gieser
Matthew Goede
Laura Grangaard

Evan Gundlach
Bonnie Hanson
Jesse Hayes
Katherine Hedstrom
Ashley Henderson
Cynthia Hilgers

Bo Hill
David Hobbs
Kyle Hoen
Ryan Hoffman
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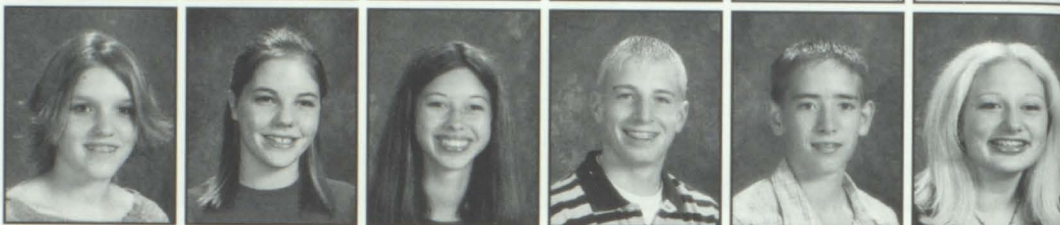
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Lauren Krukowski
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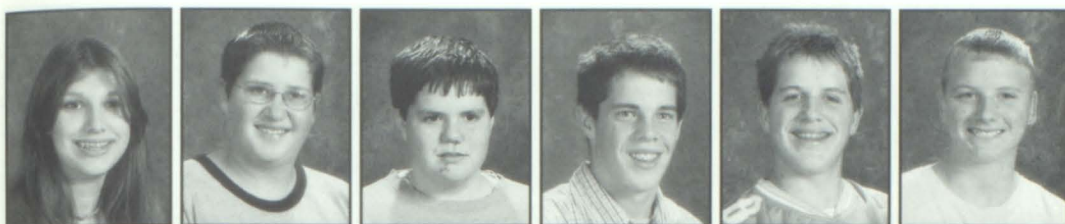
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Elizabeth Melcher



Mark Vanderlinde wears stylish goggles in science class.



Chelsea Engstrom, Samantha Tvedt, Katie Morimoto, Tracy Kelzer, Leah Moore, Kelly Leivermann, Nanette Ristow show their school spirit by wearing red on class color day.



Kimberly Melchert
Travis Melchert
Michael Melton
Jason Menth
Paul Meyer
Kienyn Miller



James Milne
Leah Moore
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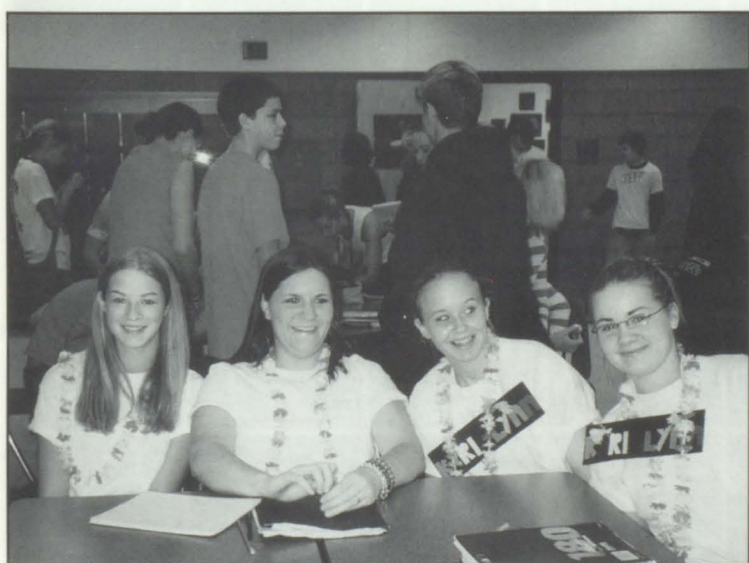
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Brittany Perkins
Jory Pestorious



Kaila Pfau
Anna Philp
Scott Plocher
Caleb Poehler
Bradley Rademacher
Kimberly Rademacher



Patricia Olson, Danielle Schneewind, Kari McManigal, and Kari Redinger make great twins.



Kevin Bullis concentrates on his test.

Matthew Rademacher
Jacob Rajewsky
Angie Rasmussen
Kari Redinger
Chelsea Rice
Nanette Ristow



Megan Robb
Benjamin Ross
Colin Rosten
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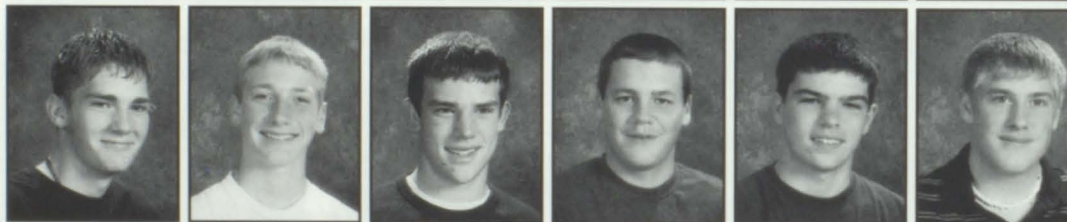
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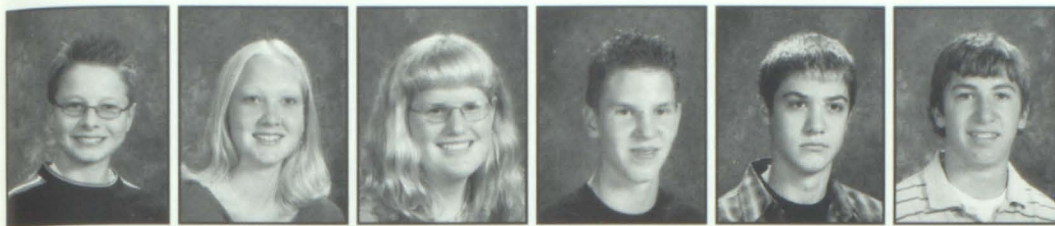


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Bria Torgeson
Claudia Tristan
Samantha Tvedt
Mark Vanderlinde



Jenny Vankirk
Paige Vigil
Chelsie Vogel
Ryan Vogel
Shirle Vue
Brandon Wachholz





Aaron Wagner
Katie Walker
Courtney Wallace
Joseph Weaver
Logan Weiland
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Vennessa Weinzierl
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Cory Zaback



Kevin Zimmermann

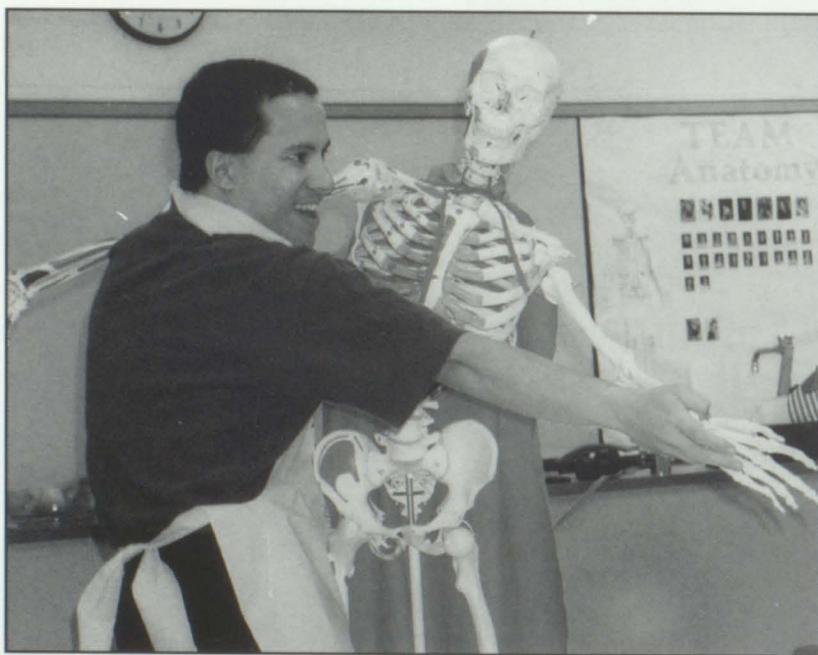
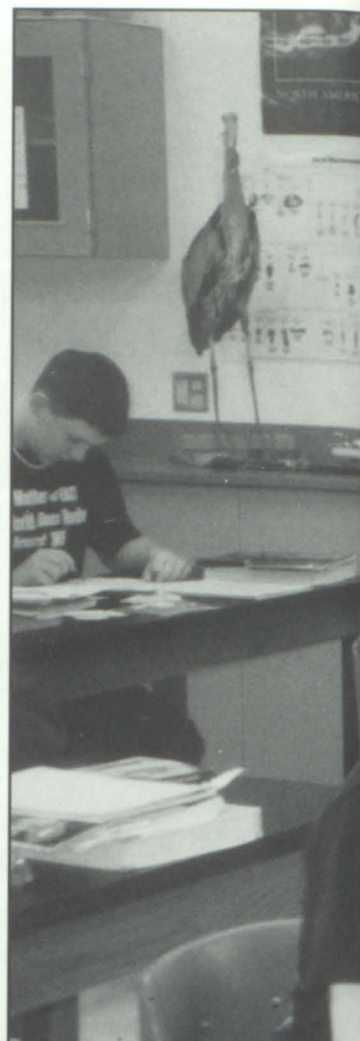
Costs of Being a Frosh

High school requires more than crayons and paste

4 Notebooks @ \$0.79
Pencils: \$1.99 a dozen
4 Folders @ \$0.33
Ti-83 Calculator: \$89.99
Replacing Lost Gym Lock: \$5.00
Driver's Education Class: \$50.00
A CD at Target: \$14.99
A DVD at Target: \$19.99
Total: \$186.44

Being Prepared for High School: Priceless

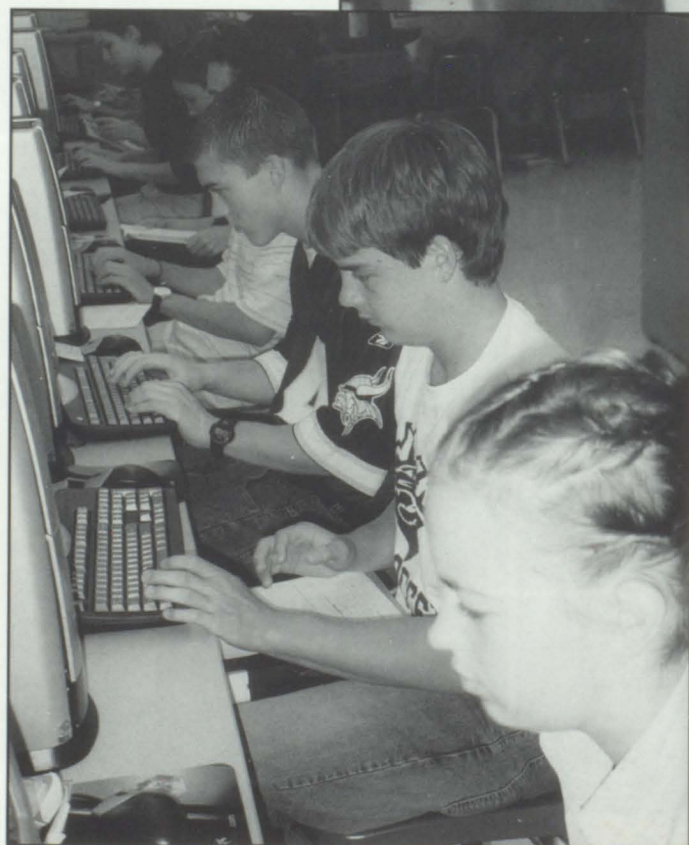
We are Focused

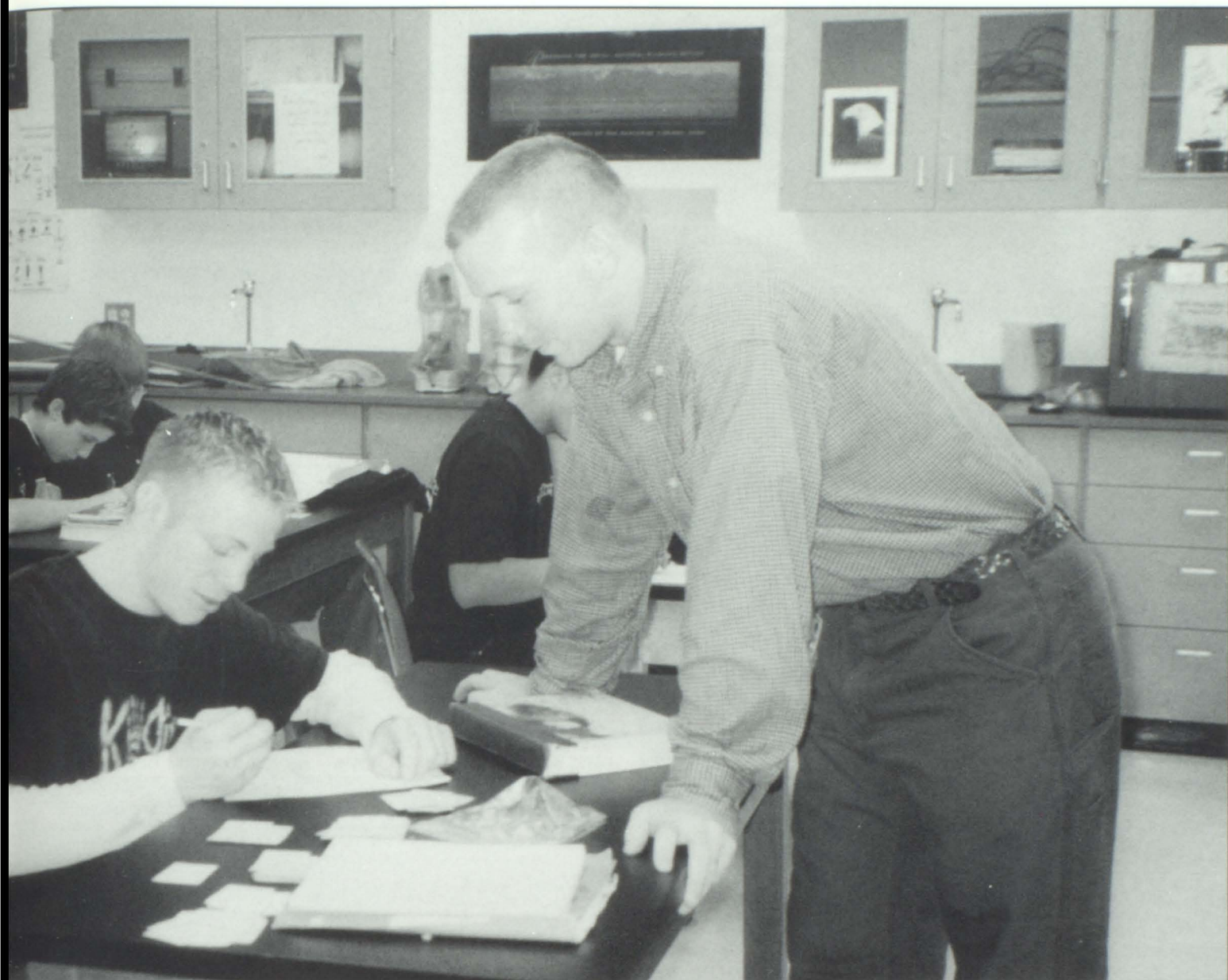


Top Left: Heather Schendel, Chelsea Haugen, Rita Johnson, and Jared Hammer work on a Physics lab.

Above: During his prep time, Mr. Berg enjoys learning to tango with his friend, Mr. Bones.

Right: Sofie Gotting, Brian Falk, and Charlie Skogstad work on papers for their Comp. 11 class.





Above: Mr. Grack helps Joey Niesen with his work in Biology.



Left: Melanie Butler asks Mrs. Dulgar a question about her Spanish work.

The Great Outdoors

Students who are interested in camping, boating, hiking, biking, fresh air, and the smell of the outdoors can probably be found in Mr. Grack's room.

Conservation Biology has been taught for three years and it is gaining popularity each year. Conservation Biology is a class about the Minnesota ecosystem. In this class, students study prairies, forests, streams, and the different plants and animals that live in them. This class is also great for practicing art. Students were expected to journal, draw, and take photographs to help learn about nature and to share the outdoor experiences with classmates.

When asked about his class Mr. Grack said, "I hope that students learn to

appreciate the outdoors and to recognize that there are a lot of cool critters and interactions going on outside constantly."

Mr. Grack decided to teach this class because he wanted to allow students to observe and learn about the diverse habitats and creatures that live in Minnesota. Not only did the students study about ecology in the classroom, but they also took part in labs and activities representative of outdoor professionals.

Conservation Biology helps students learn to observe their surroundings and examine animals and plants more carefully. As Mr. Grack says, "The more you know, the more you are going to enjoy being outside."



Left: Jenny Legahn in the tall prairie grass.

Above: Mr. Grack shows the class a Showy Goldenrod.



Top: Mr. Grack's Conservation class.

Left: Ryder Thompson, Adam Jones, and Billy Cradick search for critters.

Above: Mr. Grack shows Samantha Hoff the creatures of the prairie.

Challenging

Students interested in challenging themselves and trying to get a college credit in high school have a great opportunity at WHS. Waconia is proud to offer Advanced Placement (AP) classes to students who wish to get a head start. Waconia High School offers many AP classes such as AP Art, AP Literature and Composition, AP Language and Composition, AP Calculus, AP Biology, and AP World History. Each are taught at a college level and are unique in their own way.

AP Art is a course where one can receive lab experience in either ceramics, painting, or other 2D mediums.

AP Literature and Composition gives students practice and helpful criticism to make students capable writers. In AP Language and

Composition, students are challenged to become analytical readers and are exposed to a wide variety of books. This year both AP Language and AP Literature had the opportunity to go to the Guthrie Theater to see "The Comedy of Errors," by Shakespeare. They were also able to go on a tour of the Guthrie Theater and met an actress in the play.

AP Calculus challenges students, and covers topics such as parametric equations, vectors, and integration.

In AP Biology students learn about biochemistry, cellular and energy systems, and genetics.

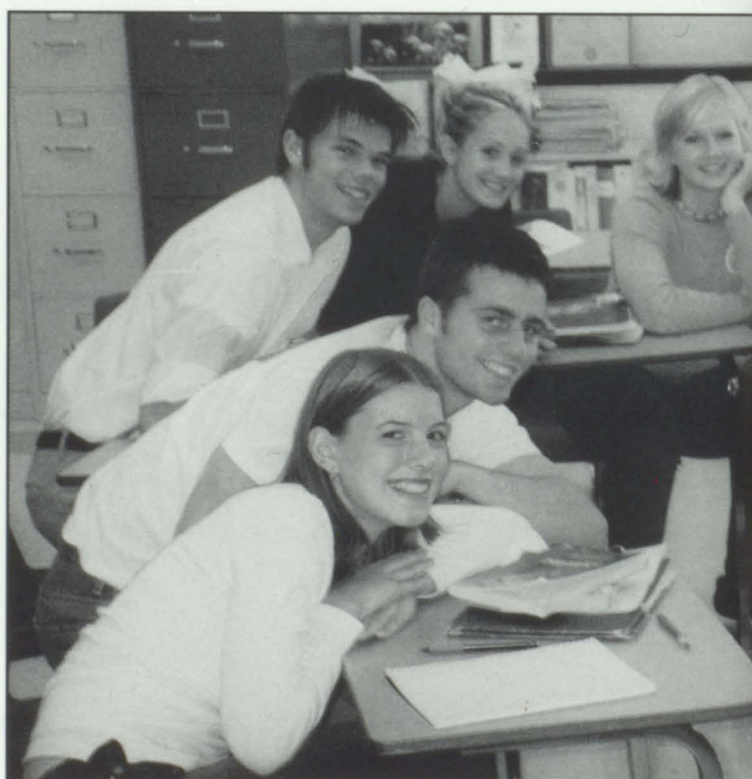
Finally, in AP World History, students study past civilizations. AP classes enable students to develop good study habits and even reduce educational costs in the future.

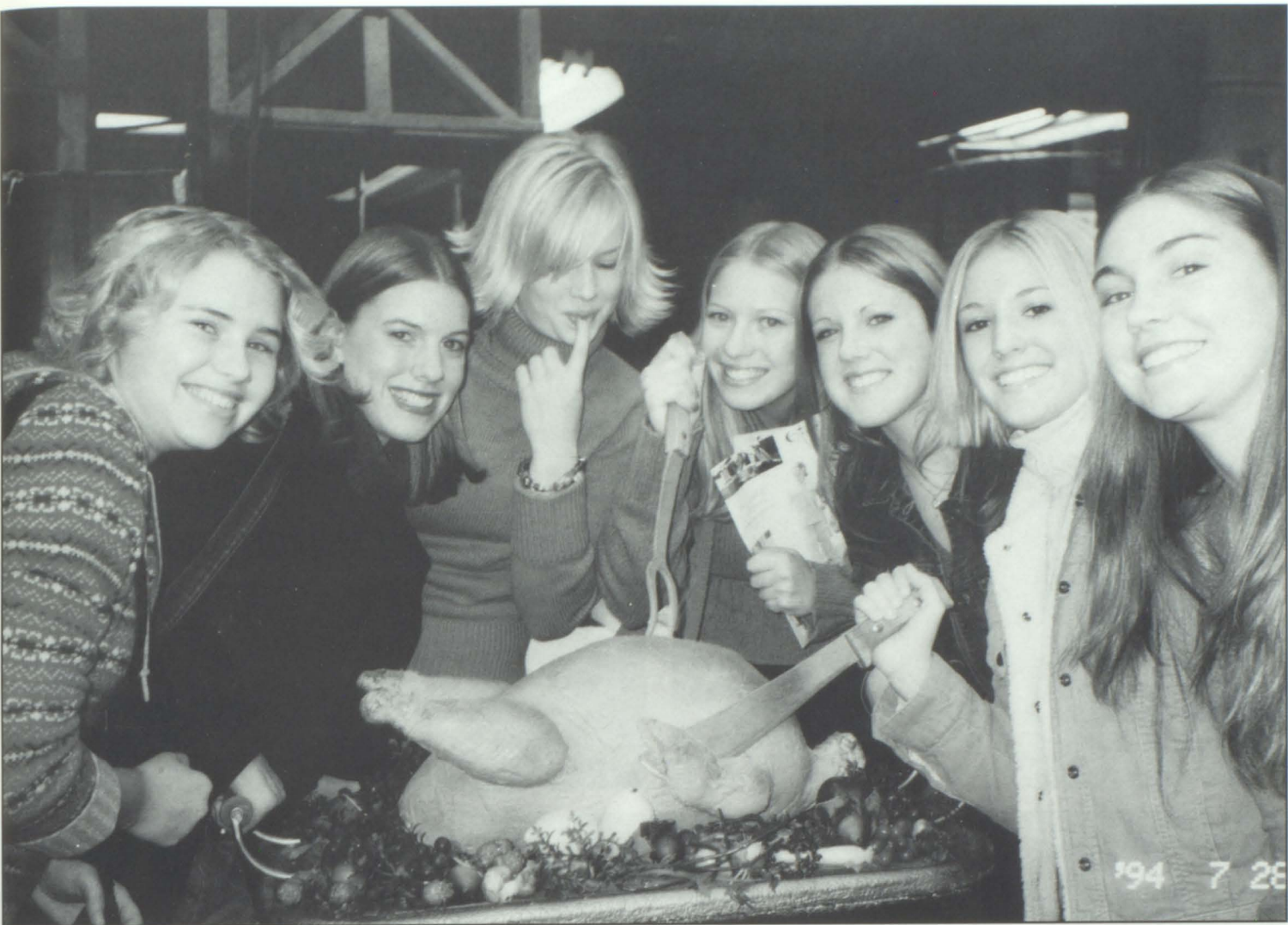


Above: Back row- Mr. Benson, Corey Erickson, Aaron Salo, Reid Larsen, Laura Anderson, Alex Krukowski, Nick Anderson, Katie Zancig, Kevin Krautbauer, Jeremy Robb. **Middle Row-** Emily Eder, Taylor Stangret, Maggie Hilliard.

Front Row- Joe Pogatchnik and Evan Johnson.

Right: The AP Lit class circles up. **Top:** Katie Zancig, Maggie Hilliard, Franny Gustafson, and Ashley Hagman pose with an interesting statue.





Top: Carly Moore, Franny Gustafson, Heidi Paulson, Katie Zancig, Maggie Hilliard, Ashley Hagman, and Taylor Stangret play with props backstage at the Guthrie.

Above: Cortney Bongard, Jaci Hennen, Sara Kelzer, and Heidi Paulson are excited about the play at the Guthrie.

Needle in a Haystack

Since WHS opened its doors on Community Drive, no sewing class had ever been offered to high school students... until now.

Mrs. Moats and the Family and Consumer Science Department taught the first ever Clothing Construction class this year. With excellent project results and enthusiastic students, Mrs. Moats is confident that sewing will be an option for future students.

Heidi Paulson, a senior taking Clothing Construction,

was really excited to create her project, a long corduroy coat. Since Heidi had previous sewing experience, she was able to choose a more complex clothing pattern. Senior Meghan Menssen said, "The class was more fun than I expected. I can't wait to finish my project!"

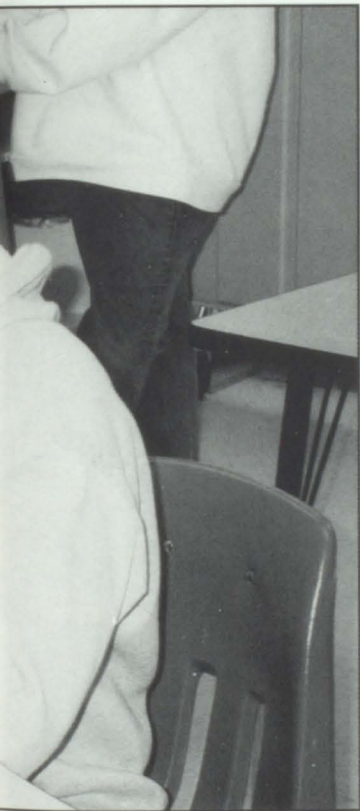
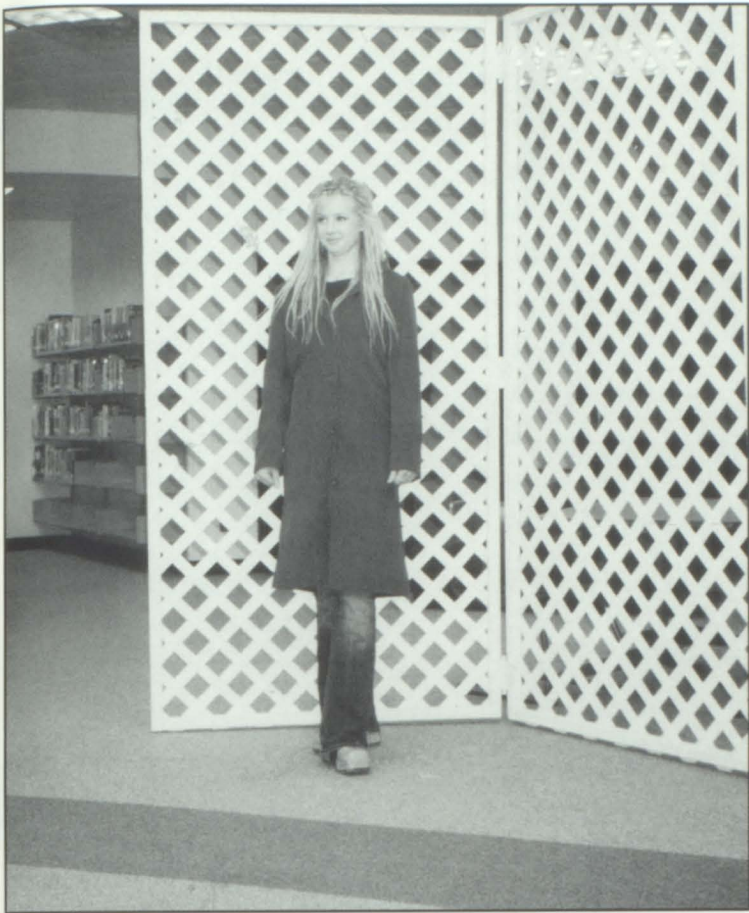
If the enthusiasm prompted by the Clothing Construction class continues, perhaps high school sewing won't be such a rarity in the future.



Left: Heidi Paulson prepares the sewing machine.

Top: Meghan Menssen sews her project.





Above left: Heidi Paulson models a class project at the fashion show.

Above right: Mrs. Moats introduces the students at the fashion show.

Left: Janelle Nelson poses next to one of the finished products.

Above: Lydia Ombati is having fun working on her clothing construction project.

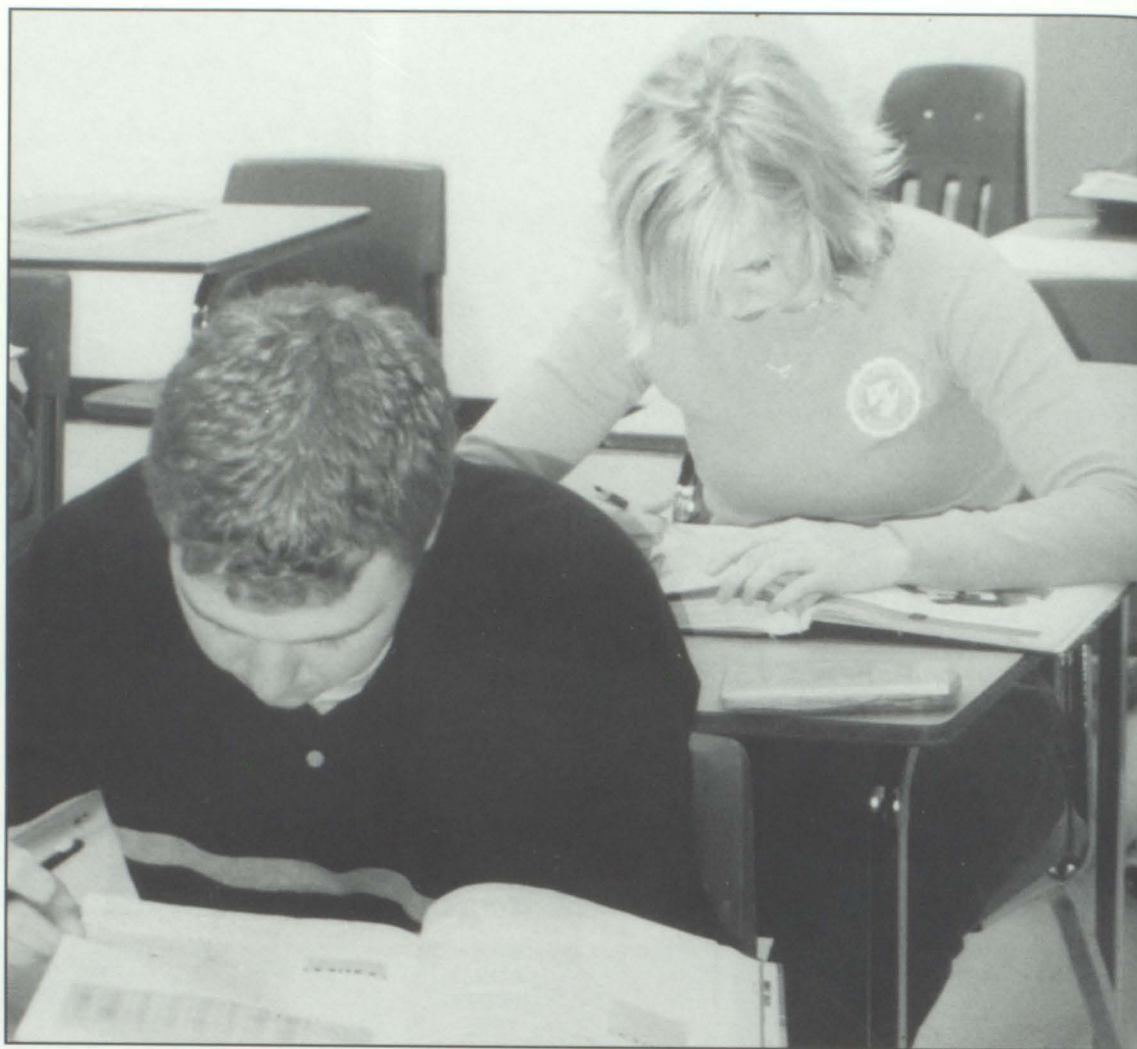


Above: Louise Klingelhutz puts together an intricate puzzle.

Below: Jena Nieson, Ben Robb, and Ashley Artmann take a break to chat.

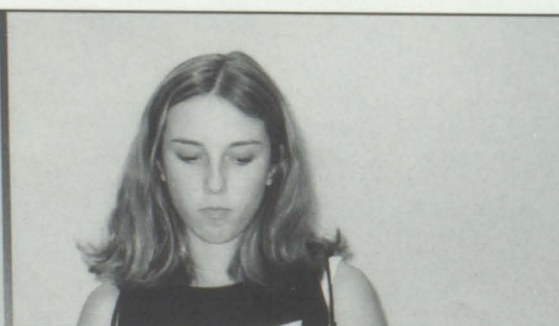
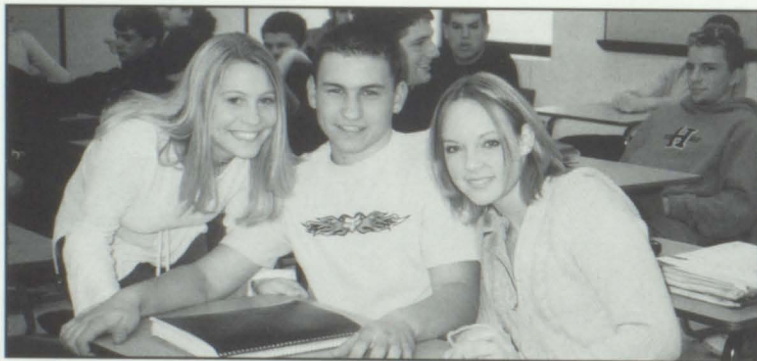
Bottom: Megan Haberling and Paige Vigil announce the news on career day.

Bottom Right: Joe Morimoto is psyched for Phy. Ed.

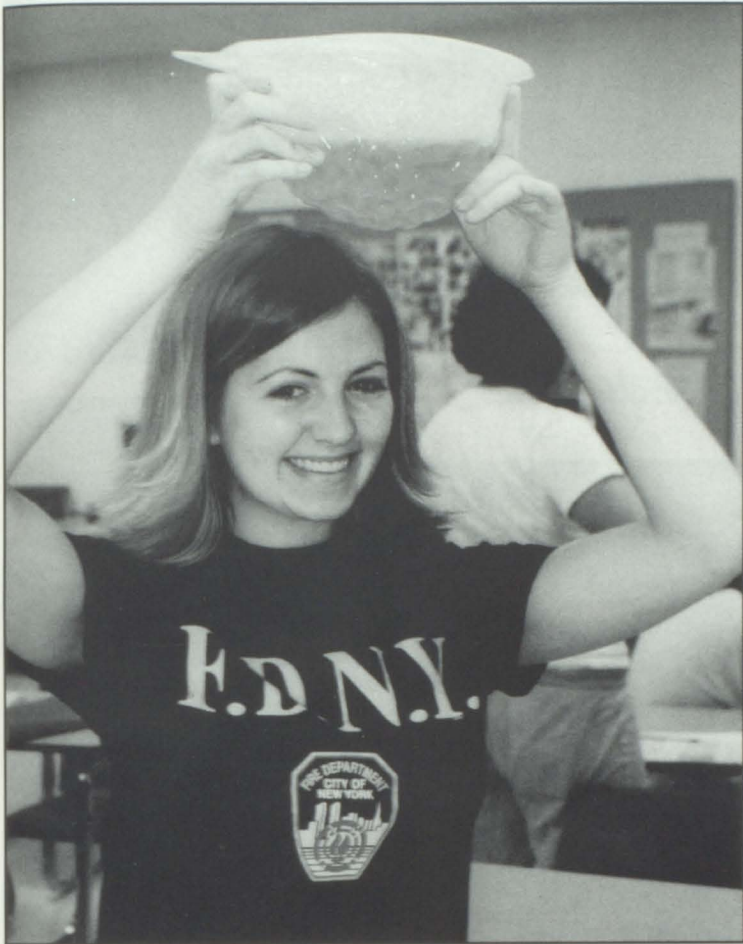


Above: David Wabbe and Heidi Paulson study hard in Chemistry.

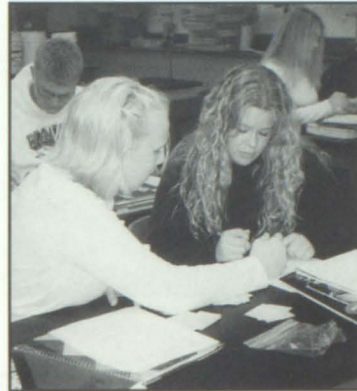
Below Right: Jenna Taylor tries to relax during Psychology.



Students Mix It Up in Their Studies

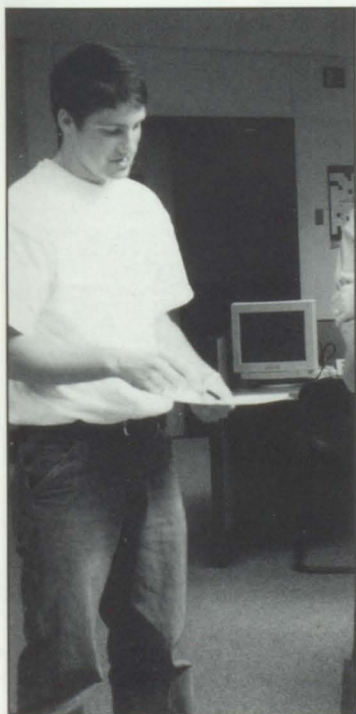


Far Left: Shayanne Roth enjoys various interesting and fun experiments in Anatomy.



Left: Bethany Wall and Michelle Blegen help each other on a project.

Below: A.P. Language class studies for a test.



Bottom Left: Blake Schultz reads over his paper.



Top Center: Wes Rasmussen shows the class how to play a card game.



Bottom Center: Landon Rochet-Boeser and Garrett Hoppenrath try out the professional life in broadcasting.

Above: Katie Sterner enjoys herself in one of her classes.



Stephanie Kappel



Roxanne Kierschnig



Heidi Degener

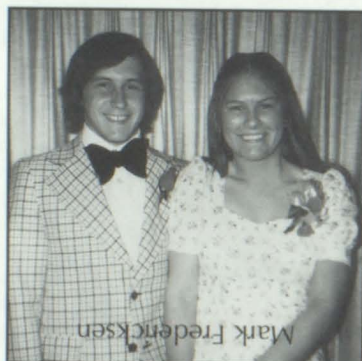


Clark Machernes



Mary Klehr

Guess That Teacher!



Mark Fredericksen



Kristi Berlin



Marie Erickson



Kathryn Kurtz

Spotlight on Mary Klehr

Mary Klehr has had many achievements. In 1966, Mary graduated from a two year nursing program, and went on to earn her Bachelor of Science degree, and a Public Health Certification, which is required for a school nursing position. Mary has been a school nurse for 18 years, 13 of them being at Norwood Young America.

Mary Klehr has said that her favorite part about being a nurse is working with the kids. "I care about kids, I want them to be the best they can be, no matter what disabilities they have." This year, Mary was named Minnesota School Nurse of the year. The school helped her celebrate on Mary Klehr day, October 14.



School Board



Back Row- Joel Hentges, David Falk and Bryan Pawela. **Front Row-** Teresa Pesch, Scott Jensen. **Not Pictured-** Scott Moats and Bob Hibben.

Administration



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Guidance Services



Kathleen Fontes
Guidance Services



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Assistant Principal/
Activities Director



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District Nurse



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Coordinator



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Thomas Maiser
Shirley Minnick
Yoko Miyamoto
Donna Passentino



Judith Rademacher
Adria Repp
Delora Rolf
Mary Timmers
Monica Vierling

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David Aeling



Joan Ball



Kim Benson



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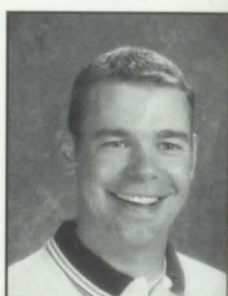
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Sue Hartwig



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Eric Herrmann



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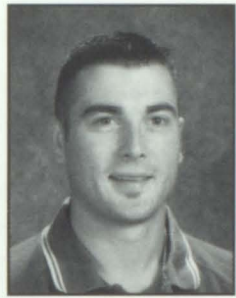
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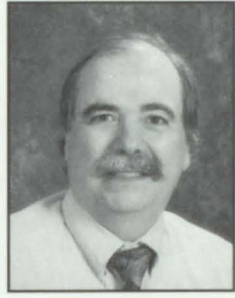
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Monica Sariego



Linda Scholla



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Sandy Wasness



Melissa Weinand



Elizabeth Wurdell



Michael Zaske



Mike Zender



Above: Mr. Erickson, substitute Mr. Pauly, and Mr. Hullander show that social studies teachers think alike even in dress.



Above: Spanish teacher Mrs. Dulgar is ready for another big day of teaching Español.

We are Enthusiastic



Top: Alex Krukowski and Ted Moore discuss the musical during "Footloose" practice.

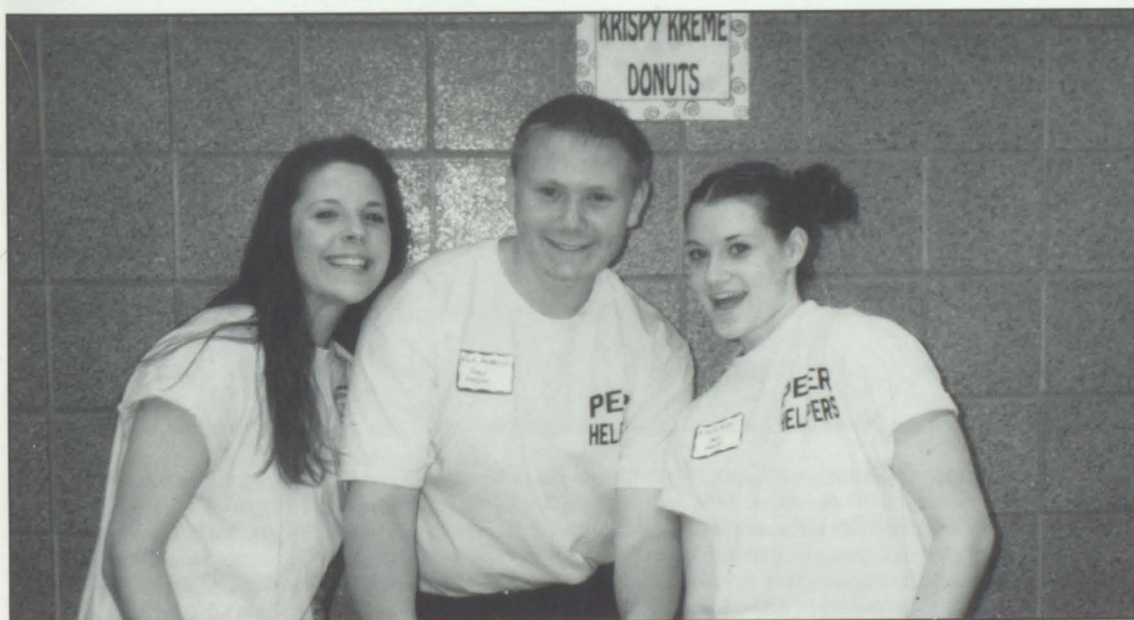
Bottom Left: Ali Lenzen participates in an FFA competition.



Right: Christine Anderson smiles for the camera after a strenuous marching band parade.



Top: Sonja Ellingson leads the Marching Band during band camp.



Left: Leanne Tanguay, Nick Anderson, and Emily Eder promote Krispy Kremes on VIP day.

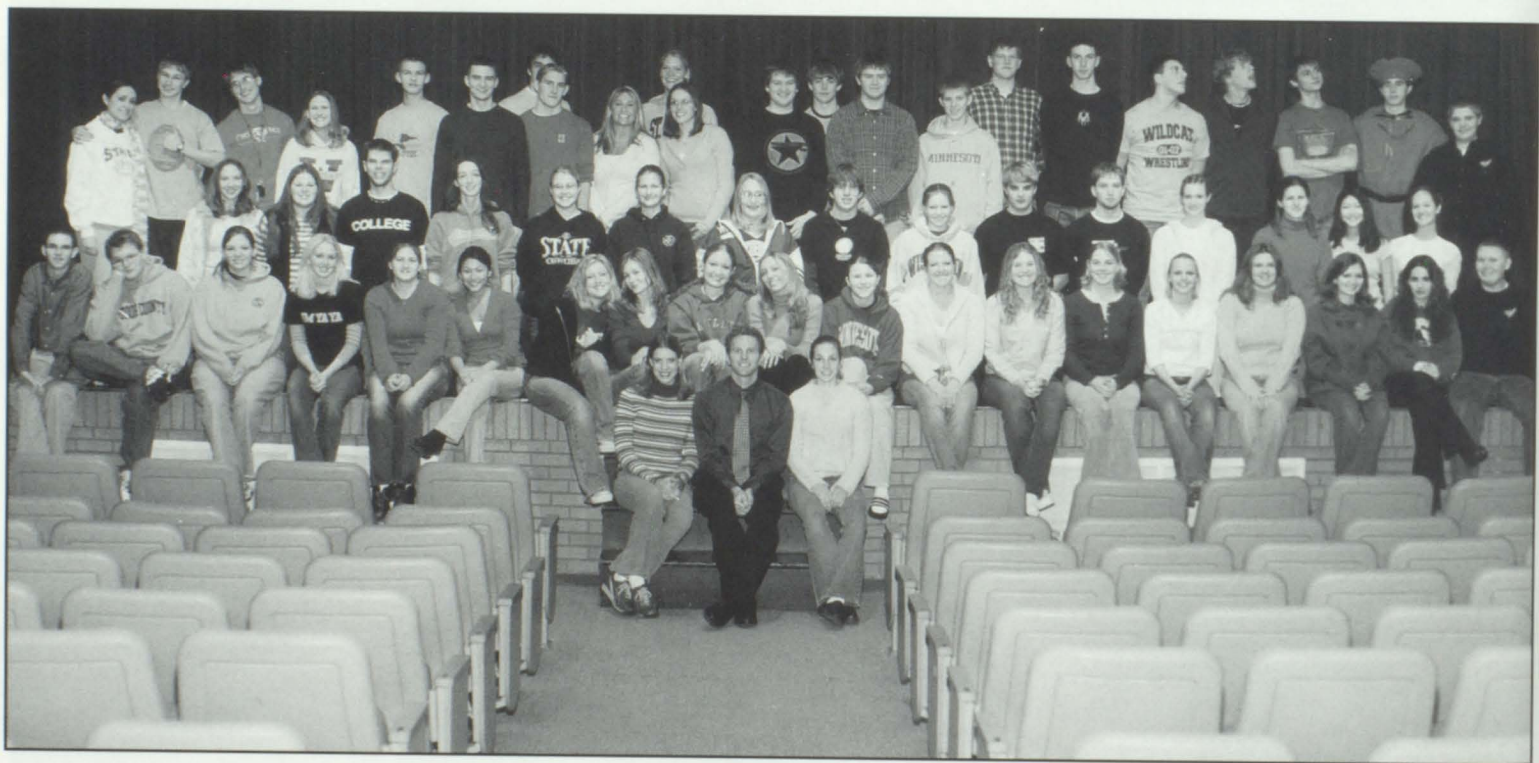
Band Gains New Director

New Developments:

A major change in the Waconia band program this year was the new director Mr. Dunton. This transition was easy because many students were already familiar with Mr. Dunton through Marching Band.

Top Right: The saxophone section plays their music during band practice.

Right: The trumpet section plays with great intensity.



WIND ENSEMBLE: **Back Row-** Jackie Olson, Nathan Laulainen, Michael Anderson, Alisha Klason, Scott Connor, Philip Litfin, Meghan Menssen, Sonja Ellingson, Anna Jonas, Jared May, Brant Douville, Matthew Eiden, Dillon Sletten, John Ansell, Karl Palm, Tony Schilling, Erik Smestad, Carl Szczepanski, David Deering, James Dammann. **Middle Row-** Janelle Zimmerman, Stephanie Capaul, Alex Krukowski, Jennifer Bostic, Carly Moore, Hannah Hjelsand, Katie Braun, Nick Hentges, Jennifer Olson, Brian Falk, Mathias Weinzierl, Emily Eder, Sara Kelzer, Amanda Janzen, Laura Anderson. **Front Row-** Joshua Peterson, Dan Wallace, Lauren Hackbarth, Mallory Hanson, Lindsay Fischbach, Akayla Stevens, Claire Salvesson, Jenna Ely, Louise Klingelhut, Cassie Williams, Lori Ledoux, Maggie Hilliard, Jenna Taylor, Lindsay Lano, Jackie Anderson, Valene Zakashefski, Shyanne Roth, Amanda Gaddo, Nick Anderson. **Front Row-** Franny Gustafson, Mr. Dunton, Brittany Willborg.

SYMPHONIC BAND: **Back Row-** Megan Masurka, Aaron Wagner, Chris Falk, Sam Holtberg, Jason Menth, TJ Selvey, Alex Schnedler, Jessica Davis, David Hobbs, Desiree Dantona, Brandon Wachholz, Ashley Berndt, Emma Denbrook, Caleb Poebler, Jonathan Bakke, Braedon Schmidt, Elizabeth Melcher, Grady Albright. **Middle Row-** Ryan Vogel, Aaron Templin, Aaron Rothfusz, Alex Kalausich, Jeff Gedden, Brittany Perkins, Kelly Hulke, Justin Ely, Luke Sullivan, Kathryn Laulainen, Matt Neubauer, Sam Sterner, Kevin Bullis, Ed Szczepanski, James Thorne, Courtney Wallace, Michelle Gieser. **Front Row-** Jaren Stangret, Jennifer Nelson, Joe Weever, Jessica Kroells, Jenny Van Kirk, Kevin Deering, Anna Philp, Becky Solheim, Mr. Dunton, Christine Anderson, Pagie Vigil, Tara Niebling, Olivia Boll, Amanda Dingwall, Kayla De Boer, Kari Wichenhauser, Caitlin Smith, Amanda Mortensen.



CONCERT BAND: **Back Row-** Estelle Denbrook, Stephanie Bruesehoff, Tess Surat, Katie Walker, Michael Krahulec, Blake Willborg, Adam Fisel, Ted Moore, Simon Gustafson, Jake Condon, Joey Hiben, Jordan Peters, Pat Deering, Dan Held, Brady Gibbs, Dan Gjertson, David Flemig, Dan Klingelutz, Brian Lenzen. **Middle Row-** Mistique Hecksel Read, Laura Christensen, Carrie Bly, Britany Christenson, Amanda Hecksel Read, Kate Munson, Ashley Schmaltz, Jacquelin Geffre, Ashley Wacksinich, Abby Corson, Toni Mochinski, Brianna Johnson, Ben Timm, Christine Goergen, Eric Butteris, Kari Luce, Amanda Scheff, Allison Johnson, Justine Gilbertson, Alison Stole, Jessica Mathwig, Maggie Klason, Martha Lemke, Megan Fredericksen, William Szczepanski, Laura Grangaard, Jordan Meyer, Andria Jones. **Front Row-** Nicole Klaustermeier, Samantha Konrardy, Katelyn Waletich, Cherie Seaman, Samantha Foust, Julie Neborak, Kate Solheim, Bridget Ayers Looby, Ayla Stangret, Lauren Krukowski, Mr. Dunton, Natalie Maiser, Jackie Jensen, Krista Anderson, Ashlee Hackbarth, Kathryn Hilliard, Amber Storms, Mallory O Neil, Anna Overson, Christina Forsythe, Katherine Jonas, Katie Hedstrom.

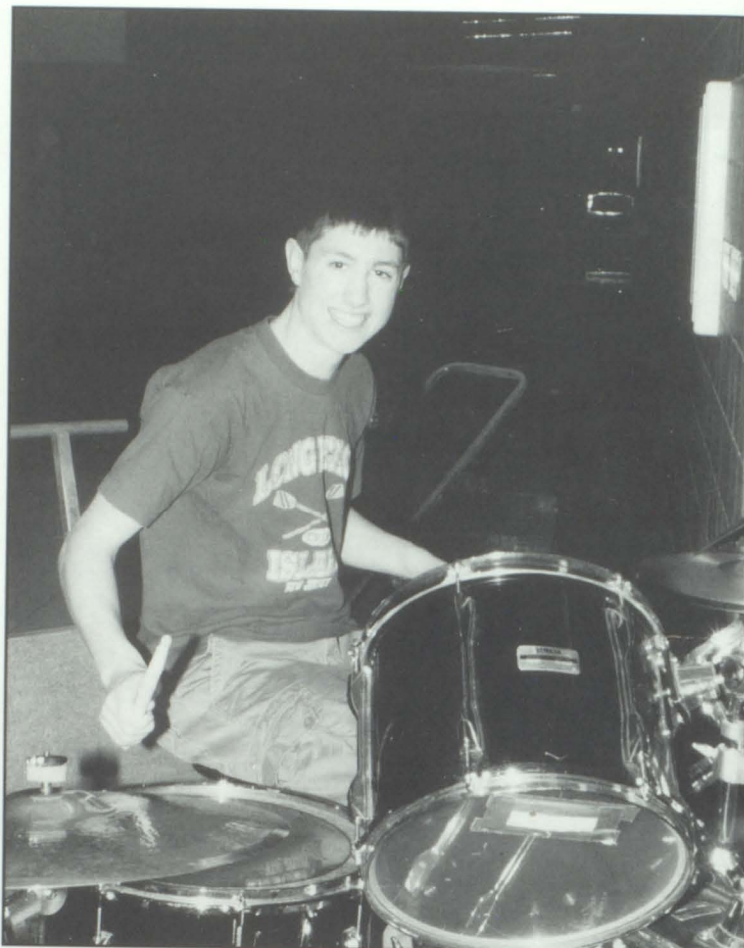
All That Jazz

Skills Gained:

The process is more important than perfect performance. Hopefully students can take what they learn in band and apply it to their life. For example, do the right thing and share your talents with other people.

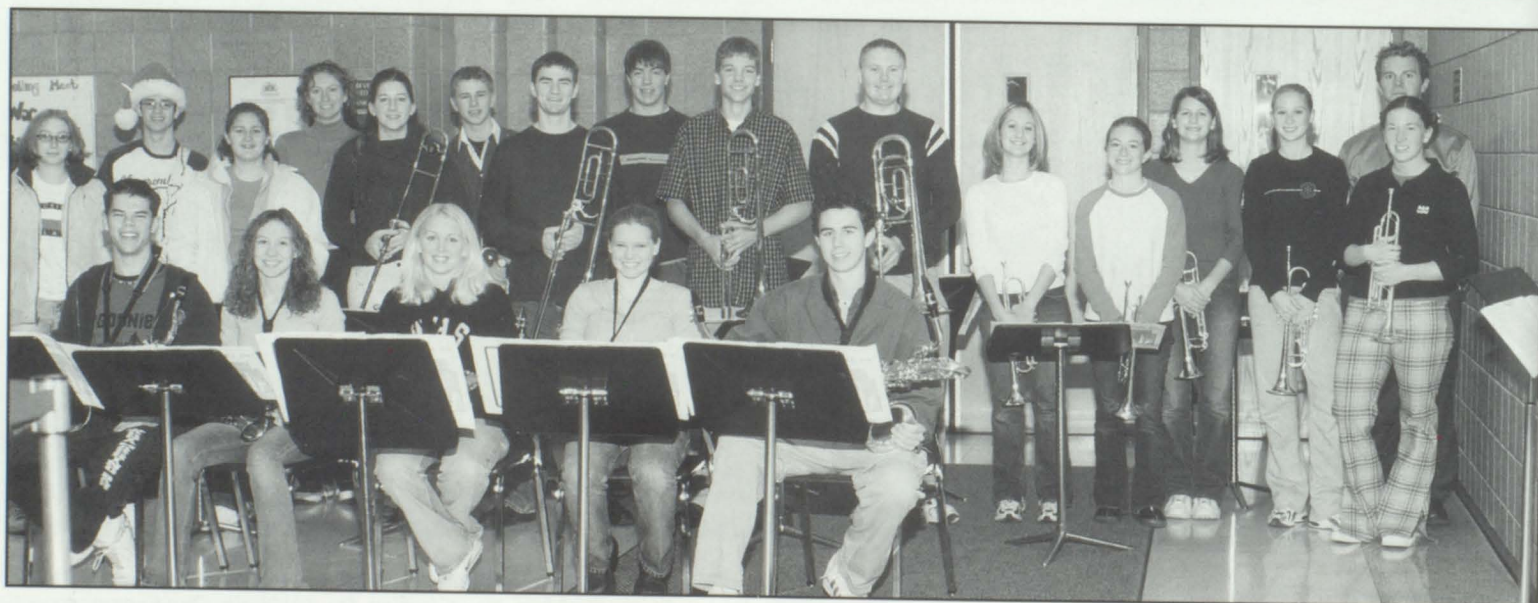
// My favorite part in conducting jazz band is watching the students develop into better people and better musicians. //

-Mr. Dunton



Below: The jazz band plays Christmas music in the school entry before the Holiday break.

Right: Dan Klingelhutz is excited to play his drums in jazz band.



JAZZ I ENSEMBLE: Back Row- Laura Christensen, Reid Larsen, Lindsay Fischbach, Kerstin Palm, Tess Surat, Nate Laulainen, Philip Litfin, Simon Gustafson, Adam Fisel, Nick Anderson, Laura Anderson, Bridget Ayers Looby, Hannah Hjelsand, Maggie Klason, Mr. Dunton, Lucy Guinness. Front Row- Alex Krukowski, Janelle Zimmerman, Mallory Hanson, Jen Olson, David Deering.

Waconia Spells Spirit P-e-p

Mission Statement:
To liven up the crowd during football, volleyball, and basketball games.

Difference from Past Years:

This year, students dress up to fit a different theme for each game.

Favorite Thing About Pep Band:

Playing songs that are recognizable and more fun, especially when you get to sing along. "Hey Baby" is one song many students love.

// Pep Band Rocks! //

-Mallory O' Neil



Left: The pep band adds enthusiasm.



Above: The entire pep band plays during a game and adds more spirit to the crowd.



Above: Mr. Dunton plays along with the trumpets during a song.

CONCERT CHOIR: **Back Row-** Dan Klingelhutz, Pat Deering, Blake Willborg, Ted Moore, David Carrier, Brian Lehzen, Dan Gjertson, Jordan Meyer, Brady Gibbs. **Fifth Row-** Allison Johnson, Martha Lemke, Bria Torgeson, Jennie Walker, Katie Walker, Makenzie Collins, Maggie Klason, Ashlee Hackbarth, Tess Surat, Toni Mochinski. **Fourth Row-** Estelle Denbrook, Rachel Boughton, Kelsey Paulson, Krista Anderson, Ashley Iacona, Lauren Krukowski, Katie Hedstrom, Jessica Mathwig, Megan Fredericksen. **Third Row-** Cherie Seaman, Justine Gilbertson, Brianna Johnson, Bridget Ayers Looby, Katherine Jonas, Megan Bybee, Julie Neborak, Olivia Younkin. **Second Row-** Joanna Jaworski, Ayla Stangret, Christine Goergen, Kari Luce, Natalie Maiser, Anna Overson, Allison Stole, Ashly Schmaltz, Misti Hecksel-Read. **Front Row-** Joe Morimoto, Ben Timm, Sean Stein, David Flemig, Adam Fisel, Eric Butteris, Joey Hiben.



VARSITY CHOIR: **Back Row-** Zachary Gatheridge, Kevin Deering, Chris Falk, Aaron Templin, Matt Wessale, Jason Menth, Alex Kalausich, Aaron Wagne. **Fourth Row-** Courtney Wallace, Michelle Gieser, Kim Rademacher, Paige Vigil, Elizabeth Melcher, Kari Wickenhauser, Brittany Perkins, Sophia Crosby. **Third Row-** Sara Gee, Anna Philp, Megan Masurka, Chelsea Honebrink, Elizabeth Fischbach, Emma Denbrook, Megan Robb. **Second Row-** Shari Thaumert, Ambrosia Leuthardt, Kaila Pfau, Stacie Seaman, Shirle Vue, Tara Ostlie. **Front Row-** Jenna Anderson, Christine Anderson, Kathryn Laulainen, Tiffany Steinborn, Allison Schmitt, Kellie Hoen, Cristal Lopez, Jamie Leslie.

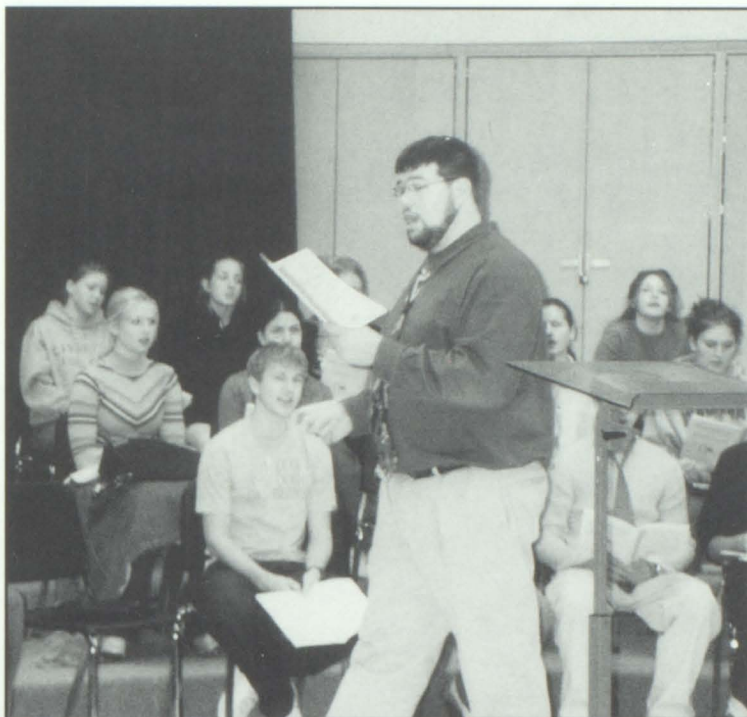
WHS Choirs Sing Out

Goals:

To experience quality choral literature to the best of our ability.

New names:

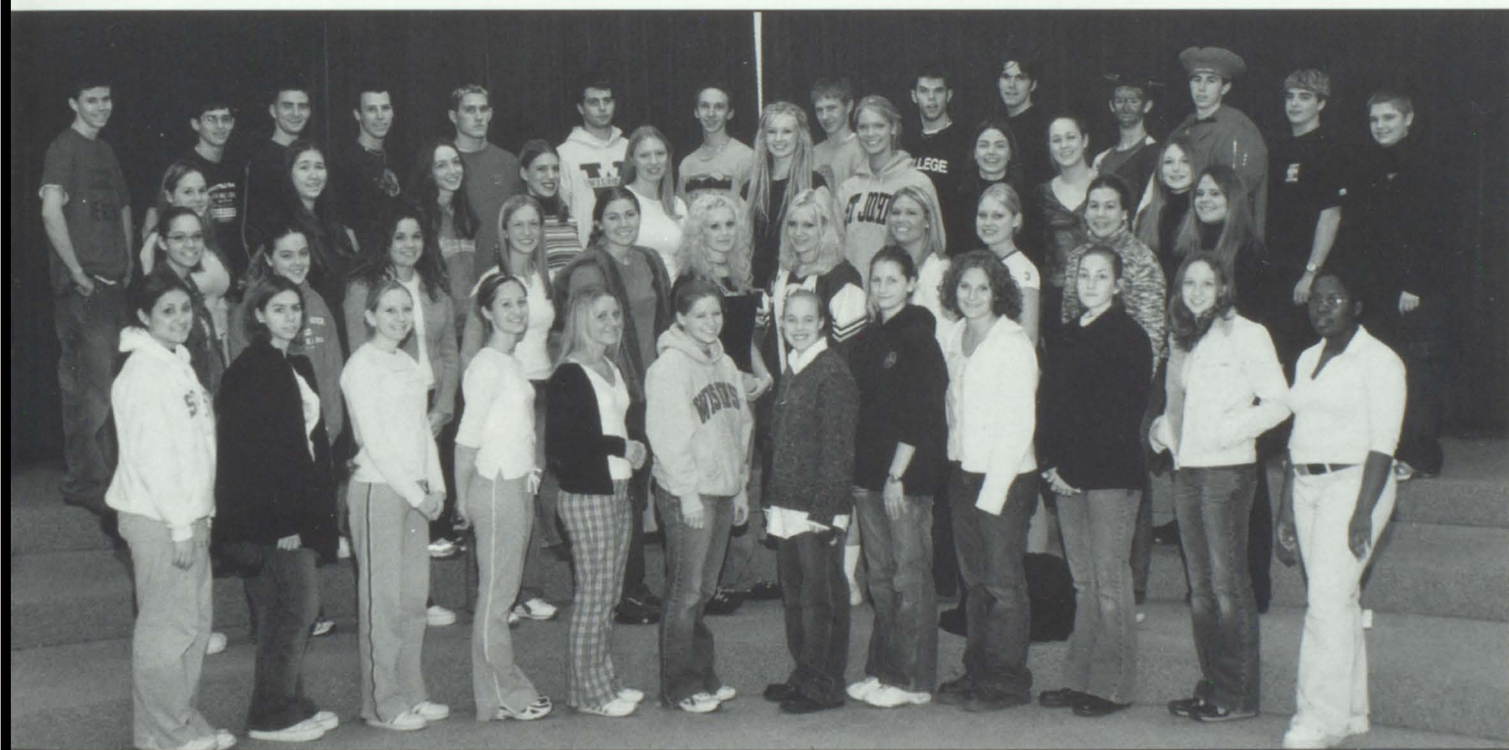
Varsity Choir, Concert Choir, and Cantabile Choir.



Best thing about being in choir:

Performing at concerts and pleasing the crowd.

Right: Mr. Olson conducts the choir.



CANTABILE CHOIR: **Back Row-** Jono McKee, Reid Larson, Phil Litfin, Joe Pogatchnik, Andrew Fredericksen, Evan Johnson, Justin Rosckes, Nathan Laulainen, Alex Krukowski, Josh Wagner, Matt Parris, David Deering, Brian Falk, James Dammann. **Third Row-** Rita Johnson, Angie Massengale, Jenn Bostic, Franny Gustafson, Katie Zancig, Heidi Paulson, Sonja Ellingson, Jennifer Brandenburg, Cortney Buesgens, Andrea Dalen. **Second Row-** Tasha Lindemann, Sarah Menth, Brittany Bammert, Rachel Mowry, Taylor Stangret, Lauren Petersen, Birgitte Rifley, Meghan Menssen, Anna Carrigan, Joanna Lee, Kate Stuewe. **Front Row-** Jackie Olson, Nicole Joyce, Baillie Miller, Laura Anderson, Tatjana Becker, Jen Olson, Miriam Schwochow, Hannah Hjelsand, Amanda Lemke, Brittany Willborg, Janelle Zimmerman, Lydia Ombati.

Power Company Sparks the Crowd



Mission Statement:

To put on the best show we can and make people smile.

Memorable Moments:

First time ever 1st Place at the Eau Claire "Winterfest," and 1st Place, Best Choreography in LaCrosse, WI's "Class Act."

Experiences gained:

How to work hard while singing, competing, and working together as a team.

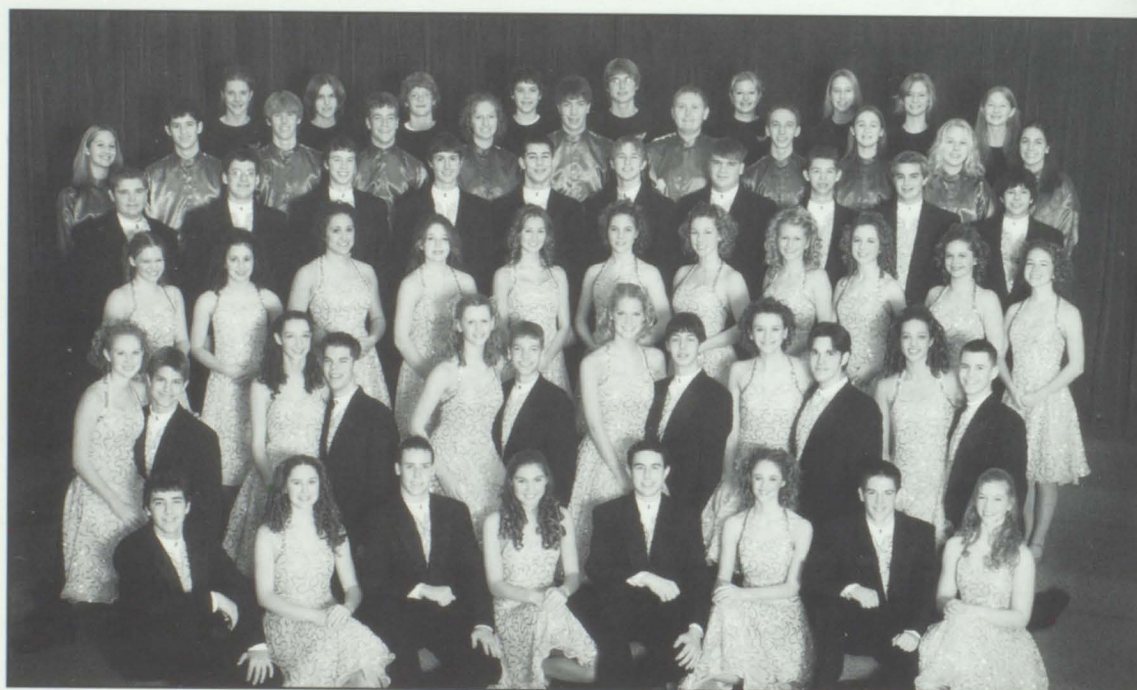


Above: Philip Litfin and Jackie Olson receive Power Company's First Place Trophy at Eau Claire.

Top Left: Power Company ends the show with a bang.

// We are just getting started!

//
-Jenn Bostic Solo Finalist at Milton



POWER COMPANY SHOW CHOIR: Back Row- Martha Lemke, Alison Stole, Dan Gjertson, Kevin Deering, Michael Anderson, Kathryn Laulainen, Christine Anderson, Allison Johnson, Justine Gilbertson. Fifth Row- Laura Anderson, Reid Larsen, Ted Moore, Brady Gibbs, Kerstin Palm, Simon Gustafson, Nick Anderson, Justin Rosckes, Ayla Stangret, Laura Grangaard, Jackie Jensen. Fourth Row- Jimmy Dammann, Jordan Meyer, Pat Deering, Dan Klingelhutz, Joe Morimoto, Nate Laulainen, Chris Falk, Brian Falk, Alex Kalausich. Third Row- Jen Olson, Julie Neborak, Jackie Olson, Andrea Dalen, Jenna Ely, Lauren Krukowski, Bethany Slice, Natalie Maiser, Anna Overson, Brianna Johnson, Bridget Ayers Looby. Second Row- Maggie Klason, David Flemig, Jen Bostic, Alex Krukowski, Toni Mochinski, Adam Fisel, Sonja Ellingson, Eric Butteris, Ashlee Hackbarth, Josh Wagner, Katie Hedstrom, Jonothon McKee. Front Row- Sean Stein, Megan Fredericksen, Joe Pogatchnik, Taylor Stangret, David Deering, Krista Anderson, Ben Timm, Kelsey Paulson.



Left: Phil Litfin dips Jenna Ely.
Below: Jenn Bostic sings her solo at LaCrosse.
Center Left: Show choir girls show their pride and confidence.
Center Right: Taylor Stangret and Phil Litfin put their all into the show.



Above: The show choir would not be able to dance without their band, Megawatt.



Right: Pat Deering, Ashlee Hackbarth, Bethany Slice, and Alex Kalausich sing the choir's ballad, "The Prayer."

Waconia Cuts Footloose

The 2002 fall musical put on by the students of WHS was a production of *Footloose*. *Footloose* is about a kid from Chicago who moves to the small farm town of Bomont. The main character, Ren McCormack, is played by Alex Krukowski. Other lead roles included

Ariel Moore (Jackie Olson), Reverend Shaw Moore (Philip Litfin), Vi Moore (Jenn Bostic) and Ethel McCormack (Taylor Stangret).

The story begins when Ren moves from Chicago to Bomont and discovers that dancing is illegal because of a terrible accident that

happened years before. Reverend Shaw, whose son was killed in the accident, blamed it on dancing, drinking, and drugs. Reverend Shaw helped to instate the law against dancing and tries to stop Ren from changing it. Ren becomes determined to

change this law.

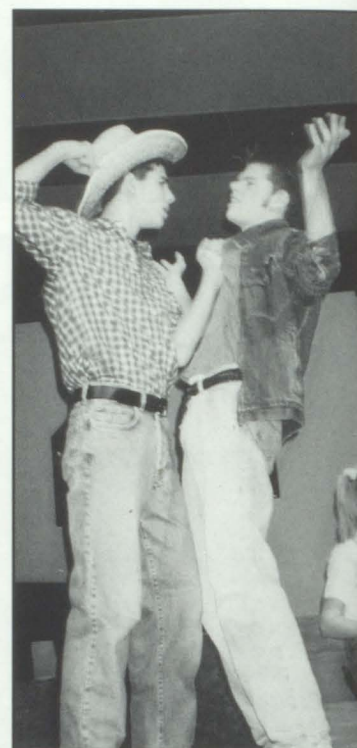
In the meantime, Ren falls in love with Ariel, Reverend Shaw's daughter. The story ends with Ren convincing Reverend Shaw to change the law and allow Bomont High's senior class to throw a dance.



Top Left: Alex Krukowski, Taylor Stangret, Lauren Krukowski, Nate Laulainen, Jenn Bostic, and Jackie Olson sing in a church scene.

Top Right: Joe Morimoto and Alex Krukowski stage a fight.

Right: Bridget Ayers Looby, Natalie Maiser, and Julie Neborak work hard to memorize their music.





Above: The cast finishes the show with enthusiasm.



FOOTLOOSE CAST: **Top Row-** Josh Wagner, Nate Laulainen, Mike Krahulec, Cherie Seaman, Carly Moore, Jeremy Robb, Jessica Mathwig, Justine Gilbertson, Joe Morimoto, Jaci Hennen, David Carrier, Evan Johnson, Ted Moore. **Fourth Row-** Alex Krukowski, Stephanie Capaul, Taylor Stangret, Michael Anderson, Anna Overson, Natalie Maiser, Jenna Ely, Laura Anderson, Maggie Klason, Jenn Bostic, Phil Litfin, Reid Larsen, Toni Mochinski, David Deering. **Third Row-** Jackie Olson, Jackie Jensen, Julie Neborak, Bridget Ayers-Looby, Mackenzie Collins, Elizabeth Fischbach, Elizabeth Melcher, Baillie Miller, Shelby Lenzen, Rachel Boughton, Jennie Walker, Stephanie Bruesehoff. **Second Row-** Jen Olson, Ayla Stangret, Sophie Crosby, Lauren Krukowski, Kevin Deering, Allison Barnard, Brittany Perkins, Laura Grangaard, Courtney Wallace, Sean Stelton. **Front Row-** Tara Niebeling, Paige Vigil, Katie Morimoto.

The Future is Important to these Farmers

Mission Statement:

FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agriculture education.

Memorable Moment:

Katie Braun said her most memorable moment was the Corn Drive when they raised money for Camp Courage. She also enjoyed going to Louisville, Kentucky for FFA Nationals.



Top: Nick Anderson judges eggs.
Above: Kayla Menth judges chickens.



FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA: Back Row- Justin Reich, Kory Rambow, Dennis Westlund, Eddie Laumann, Cory Tellers, Chris Buetow, Mr. Bjorklund. Front Row- Kayla Menth, Katie Braun, Ali Lenzen, Summer Becklund.

Science Team Explores



Mission Statement:

The Science Team's goal is to improve self-concept through success in achieving high academic standards in science.

Past Memories:

In January of 1998 the team was driving in a school van during rush hour. They got a flat tire at an intersection in the twin cities and managed to change the tire in -5°F weather.

SCIENCE TEAM: Back Row- William Szczepanski, Mark Schultz, Jared Hammer, Michael Anderson, Kevin Krautbauer, Jacob Leshner, Mr. Berg. Front Row- Aaron Salo, Scott Connor, Karl Palm, Jenny Hunter.

$A^2 + B^2 = \text{Math League!}$

Mission Statement:

When you're down,
there is only one way
you can go.

New coaches this year:
Mrs. Herzfeldt and Mrs.
Kuerschner.

Most Memorable Moment:

When they went to the
pet store to get some
fish after a meet.



MATH LEAGUE: Back Row- Mrs. Kuerschner, Kevin Krautbauer, Garret Pforr, Mrs. Herzfeldt. **Front Row-** Brian Falk, Jacob Leshner, Crystal Kroells, Michelle Blegen, Sofie Gottig, Jimmy Thorne.

I am Guilty...of Loving Mock Trial



What:

The team practices twice a week for their competitions which were Saturday, Feb. 1 and Tuesday, Feb. 4.

Who:

The Waconia High School Mock Trial team consists of dedicated students who are interested in the nation's legal system and how it works.



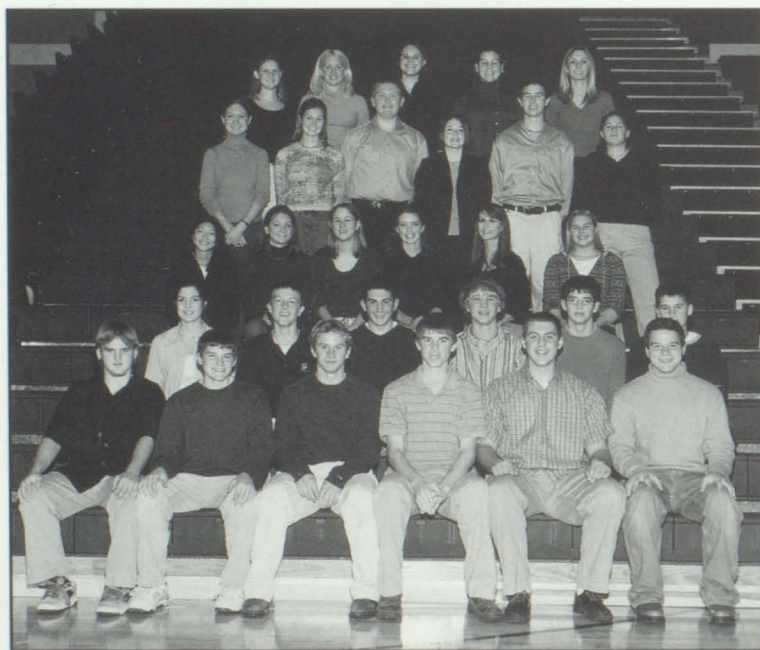
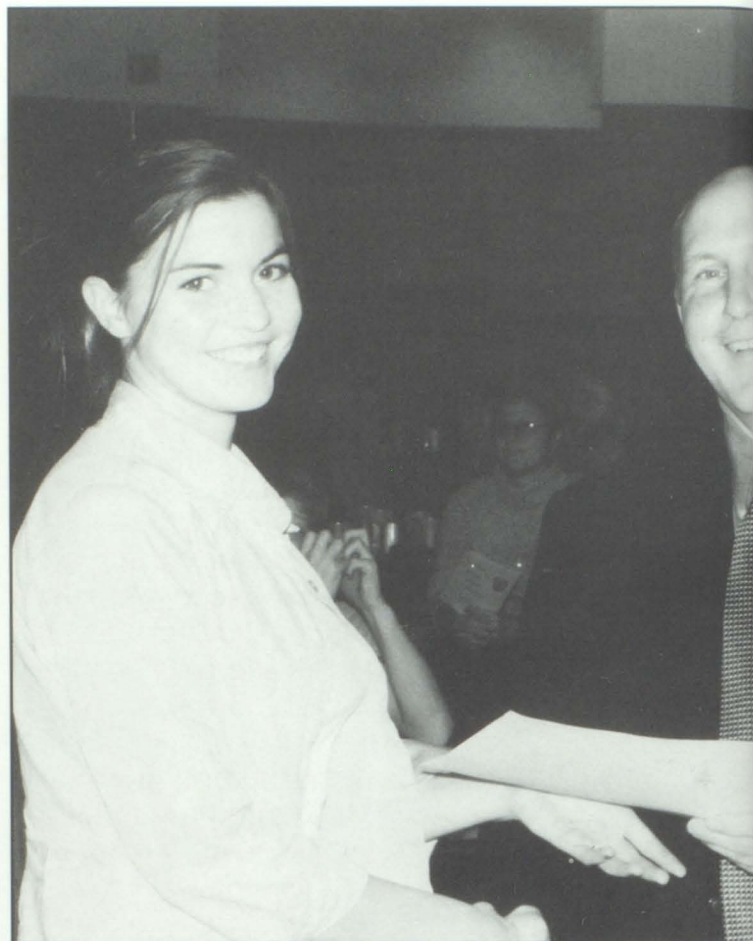
Top Left: Britany Christensen displays her Mock Trial folder.

Top Right: Angie Massengale and Lindsay Fischbach share ideas.

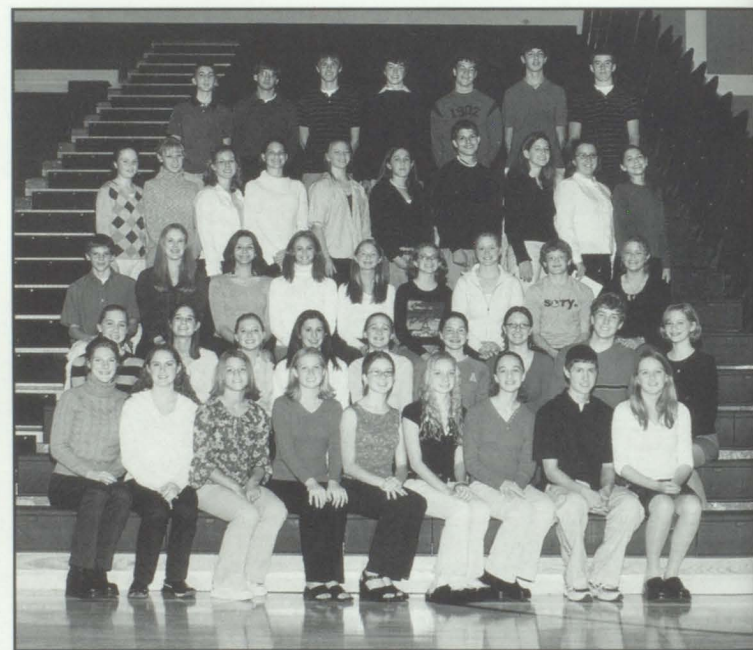
MOCK TRIAL: Back Row- Mr. Looby, Ryan Hayes, Mr. Lee, Gabe Maravelas, Justin Ludwigson, Heidi Paulson, Angie Massengale. **Middle Row-** Jackie Jensen, Johanna Lee, Mallory Hanson, Lindsay Fischbach. **Front Row-** Miriam Schwochow, Stephanie Bruesehoff, Crystal Reese, Carrie Bly, Britany Christensen.



NHS SENIORS: **Back Row-** Jackie Olson, Kerstin Palm, Heidi Paulson, Sonja Ellingson, Nate Laulainen, Dan Philp, Alex Krukowski. **Fourth Row-** John Keefe, Brittany Willborg, Jen Olson, Hannah Hjelsand, Ashley Artmann, Anna Jonas, Steve Kjergaard. **Third Row-** Emily Cousin, Leanne Tanguay, Amanda Lemke, Dennis Westlund, Evan Johnson, Phil Litfin, Andrew Fredericksen, Michael Anderson. **Second Row-** Chrissi Nelson, Lindsey Lano, Jenna Taylor, Emily Van Kirk, Katie Zancig, Emily Eder, Laura Anderson, Janelle Zimmerman. **Front Row-** Ashley Hagman, Maggie Hilliard, Lucy Gunness, Taylor Stangret, Baillie Miller, Megan Haberling.



NHS JUNIORS: **Back Row-** Ali Klason, Mallory Hanson, Kate Stuewe, Johanna Lee, Cassie Williams. **Fourth Row-** Louise Klingelhutz, Jenna Ely, Nick Anderson, Andrea Dalen, David Deering, Lindsay Fischbach. **Third Row-** Amanda Janzen, Paula Hilgers, Courtney Buesgens, Courtney Bongard, Jaci Hennen, Carly Moore. **Second Row-** Danielle Chinander, Chris Bullis, Ben Smothers, Jeremy Robb, Reid Larsen, Brady Brink. **Front Row-** Kevin Krautbauer, Andy Bongard, Justin Reitsma, Corey Erickson, Tony Schilling, Jacob Leshner.



NHS SOPHOMORES: **Back Row-** Blake Willborg, David Carrier, Ted Moore, Pat Deering, Brady Gibbs, Eric Butteris, Calvin St. John. **Fourth Row-** Lindsey Rague, Jessica Mathwig, Mallory O'Neil, Kelsey Paulson, Jackie Jensen, David Flemig, Tess Surat, Kari Wickenhauser, Carrie Bly. **Third Row-** Jake Bongard, Kathryn Hilliard, Ashlee Hackbarth, Krista Anderson, Justine Gilbertson, Bridget Ayers-Looby, Kate Solheim, Dan Gjertson, Michelle Blegen. **Second Row-** Jennie Walker, Amber Storms, Darby Steiner, Julie Neborak, Ayla Stangret, Katelyn Waletich, Samantha Foust, Dan Held, Allison Johnson. **Front Row-** Martha Lemke, Megan Fredericksen, Kari Luce, Maggie Klason, Anna Overson, Cherie Seaman, Katie Groschen, Dan Klingelhutz, Amanda Scheff.

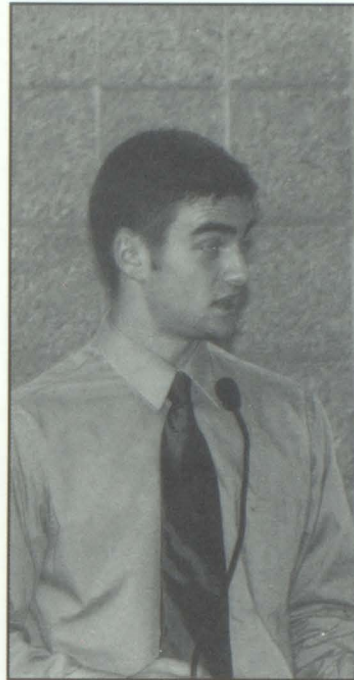
NHS: A Tradition of Excellence

Mission Statement:

National Honor Society's goals are to promote academic success, community service, and extracurricular involvement.

Requirements:

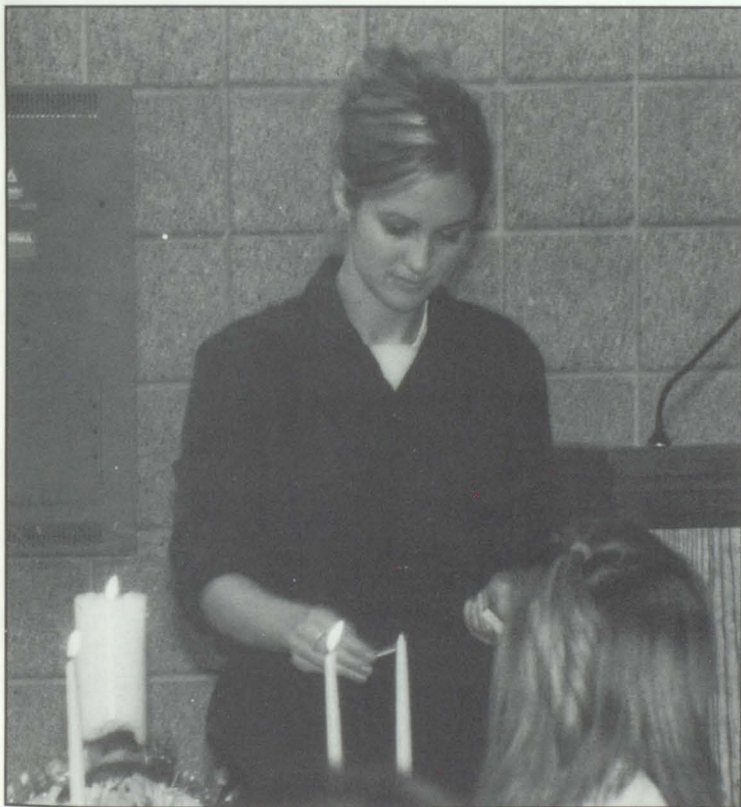
To be accepted into NHS you must have a 3.5 grade point average (3.333 for current members), volunteer at least twenty hours of your time to community service, and participate in at least three extracurricular activities.



// The memorable moments come from the feeling of accomplishment one has when accepted and inducted into the society and knowing you have succeeded in more areas than one in life. It also looks good on college applications. //

-Emily Van Kirk
President

Above: Phil Litfin talks about the academics involved in NHS as the Vice President.



Top Center: Danielle Chinander shakes hands with Mr. Fredericksen as she accepts her award at the NHS banquet.



Left: Laura Anderson, as the senior class secretary, lights a candle for charity at the National Honor Society Banquet.

Above: Chrissi Nelson gives her speech as the Historian for the senior class.

FCCLA: Leaders in the Making

Mission Statement:

To promote personal growth and development through family and consumer science education, focusing on the multiple roles of family

members, wage earners and community leaders. Members develop skills for life through: Character development, creative and critical thinking, interpersonal communication, and practical knowledge.



FCCLA: Back- Michael Anderson, Nate Laulainen, Alex Krukowski, Dan Philp, David Deering. **Front-** Jeremy Robb, Laura Anderson, Reid Larsen, Heather Diethelm, Kerstin Palm, Carly Moore.



FCCLA: Back Row- Jessica Mathwig, Jackie Jensen, Amber Storms, Kathryn Hilliard, Chelsea Honebrink, Scott Plocher, Kevin Deering, Jason Anderson, Elizabeth Fischbach, Ted Moore. **Fourth Row-** Megan Fredericksen, Anna Philp, Olivia Younkin, Olivia Boll, Becky Solheim, Lauren Krukowski, Matthew Larkin. **Third Row-** Julie Neborak, Bridget Ayers Looby, Ayla Stangret, Christine Goergen, Maggie Klason, Natalie Maiser, Kristina Mehus, Tiffany Steinborn. **Second Row-** Jennifer Nelson, Christine Anderson, Leah Moore, Justine Gilbertson. **Front Row-** Britany Christensen, Jennie Walker, Allison Schmitt, Tara Ostlie, Nicole Klaustermeier, Mackenzie Collins.



Above: Olivia Boll, Lauren Krukowski, Christine Anderson, and Sophia Crosby gather to work on FCCLA.

Top Right- Amber Storms, Justine Gilbertson, and Kate Solheim are proud show off their FCCLA visors.

Favorite part of being in FCCLA:

Hanging out with lots of fun and positive people.

Skills Gained:

Self confidence, leadership and public speaking skills.

Memorable Moment:

Going to state meetings and meeting new people.



Left: WHS FCCLA rallies at a Spring Lake Park meeting in October.

Tutors Reach Out



America Reads Goal: Mobilize all Americans to ensure that every child, especially those from low-income families, those with disabilities and those with limited English proficiency, can read well and independently by the end of 3rd grade.

“A hundred years from now it will not matter what my bank account was, the sort of house I lived in, or the kind of car I drove, but the world may be different because I was important in the life of a child.” //

AMERICA READS TUTORS: **Back Row-** Jacob Bongard, Megan Fredericksen, Kate Solheim, Jaci Hennen, Courtney Buesgens, Jessica Mathwig, Jenna Ely. **Middle Row-** Mrs. Hertzfeldt, Kate Stuewe, Chelsea Honebrink, Leah Moore, Elizabeth Fischbach, Johanna Lee, Lindsay Fischbach, Mallory Hanson, Mrs. Kuerschner. **Front Row-** David Carrier, Paula Hilgers, Misti Hecksel-Read, Amanda Hecksel-Read, Britany Christensen, Kaylee Rasmussen, Amanda Janzen.

Student Council

MISSION STATEMENT: //

To help create a positive school climate by providing activities that unite the student body.

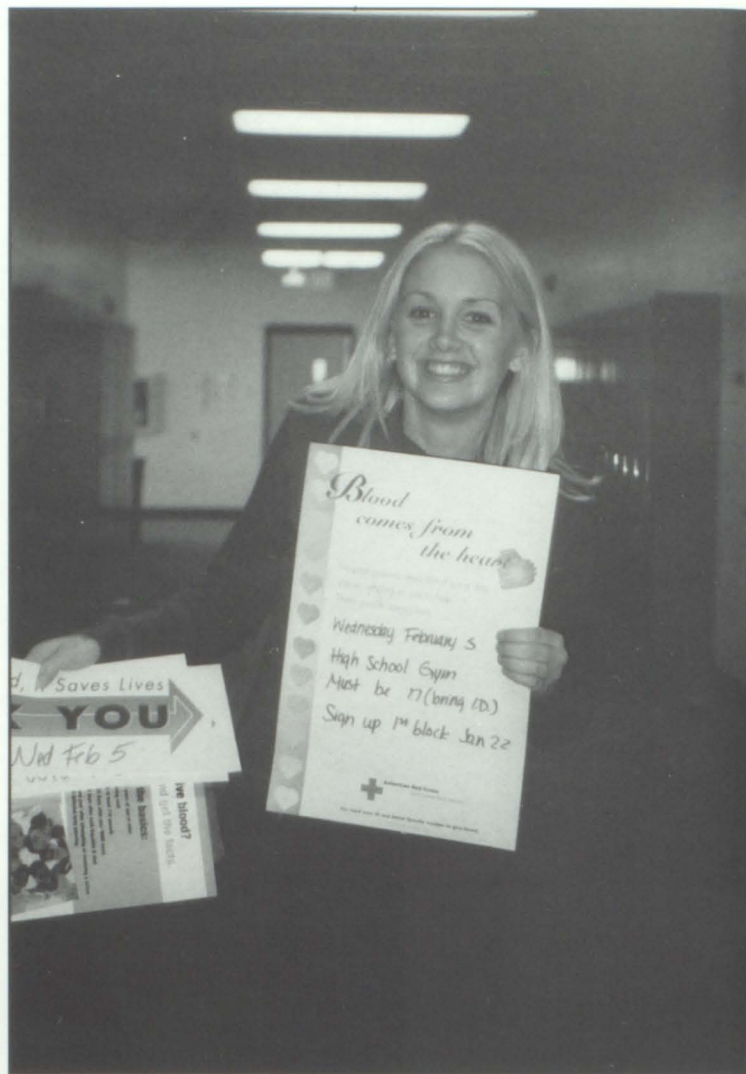
Memorable Moment:

Raising money for the CAPS holiday project was a huge success, WHS students and staff donated \$1,500.

I LOVE working with the students. They're hardworking and fun. I also enjoy trying to improve on what we've done in the past and coming up with new ideas. //

-Mrs. Melchert

Below: Emily VanKirk, Jessica Davis, Megan Fredericksen, and Megan Sipper hand out cocoa on the last day of the second quarter.



STUDENT COUNCIL: Back Row- Amanda Janzen, Phil Litfin, Nick Anderson, Kevin Krautbauer, Jenna Taylor, Jenny VanKirk, Jessica Davis. Middle Row- Courtney Buesgens, Jennifer Bostic, Kate Stuewe, Mallory Hanson, Chrissi Nelson. Front Row- Olivia Boll, Megan Sipper, Emily VanKirk, Anna

Jonas, Jackie Olson, Megan Fredericksen, Mallory O Neil.

Above: Michael Anderson and Jackie Olson host the annual Turkey Bingo.

Top: Mallory Hanson shows off some posters for the Blood Drive that Student Council helps organiz

Peer Helpers

Mission Statement:

To assist the students and student body and help make the school environment a more welcoming, spirited place.

Skills Gained:

Assertiveness, teamwork, meeting new people, responsibility, commitment.

Don't Walk

"Don't walk in front of me,
I may not follow,
Don't walk behind me,
I may not lead,
Just walk beside me
and be my friend."

-Anonymous

Below: Jenny VanKirk ties MADD ribbons on cars for Chemical Health Week.



PEER HELPERS: Back Row- Nick Anderson, Jenny Van Kirk, Kerstin Palm, Rita Johnson, Angie Massengale. Middle Row- Leanne Tanguay, Emily Van Kirk, Megan Haberling, Baillie Miller, Akayla Stevens. Front Row- Erica Christensen, Katie Zancig, Emily Eder, Lindsay Fischbach, Mallory Hanson.

Above Left: Peer Helpers invited Mike Patrick to talk to the students about being quadriplegic.

Above: Peer Helpers hand out Krispy Kremes to students on VIP Day.

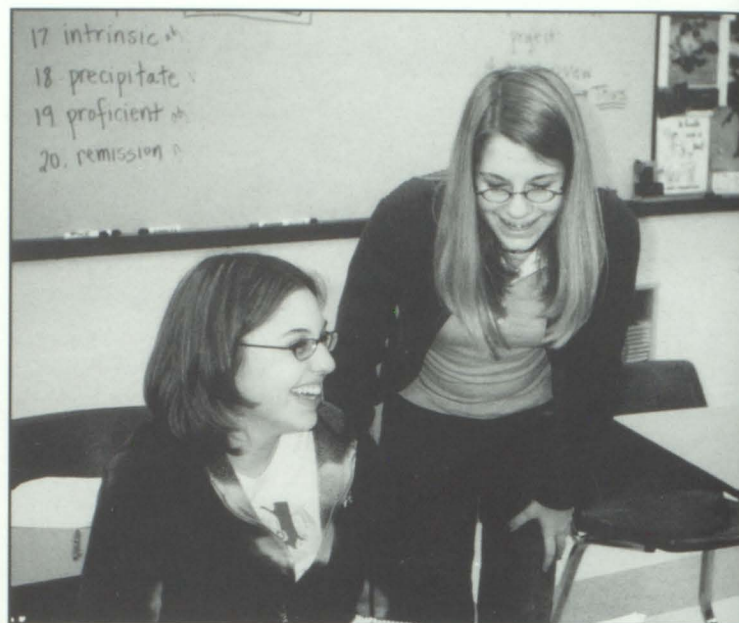
Memories in the Making

Mission Statement:

To for the first time ever in Waconia history produce a spring yearbook.

// The best part about being the adviser is the camaraderie and good times along the way.

-Mrs. Degener



// There is nothing wrong with procrastination as long as you can thrive on the pressure at the last minute. //

-Emily Eder

Skills gained from Yearbook:

- Design/Layout
- Photography
- Team work
- Writing
- Computer skills



Above- Makenzie Bakken picks out photos for the yearbook.

Top Right- Brittany Christensen and Amanda Hecksel-Read are working on a layout.

Right- Yearbook staff members take a break to make a pyramid.





Above- Emily Eder crops a picture.

YEARBOOK: **Back Row-** Mrs. Degener, Mallory O'Neil, Heather Bradt, Kathryn Hilliard, Amanda Hecksel-Read, Samantha Konrardy, Angie Massengale, Amber Storms. **Middle Row-** Tina Domjahn, Baillie Miller, Cherie Seaman, Rachel Boughton, Samantha Foust, Makenzie Bakken, Amanda Janzen. **Front Row-** Erica Christensen, Katie Zancig, Emily Eder, Jen Olson, Misti Hecksel-Read.

The Making of a Yearbook



Layouts are designed by yearbook staff for each page.



Pictures are taken, and chosen for each spot, then cropped to fit their spaces.



Headlines, copy, and captions are written and typed into layouts on computer.



Pictures and floppy discs with layouts are sent to publishers barely on time to meet the deadline.

Let's Make Tracks!

Mission statement:

The goal was to practice good journalistic writing, editing, and layouts as accurately as possible.

Skills gained:

You learn interviewing, interpersonal communication skills, journalistic writing skills, editing style and rules, layout, and page designs.

Memorable moment:

All the times they attempted to get together with Mr.

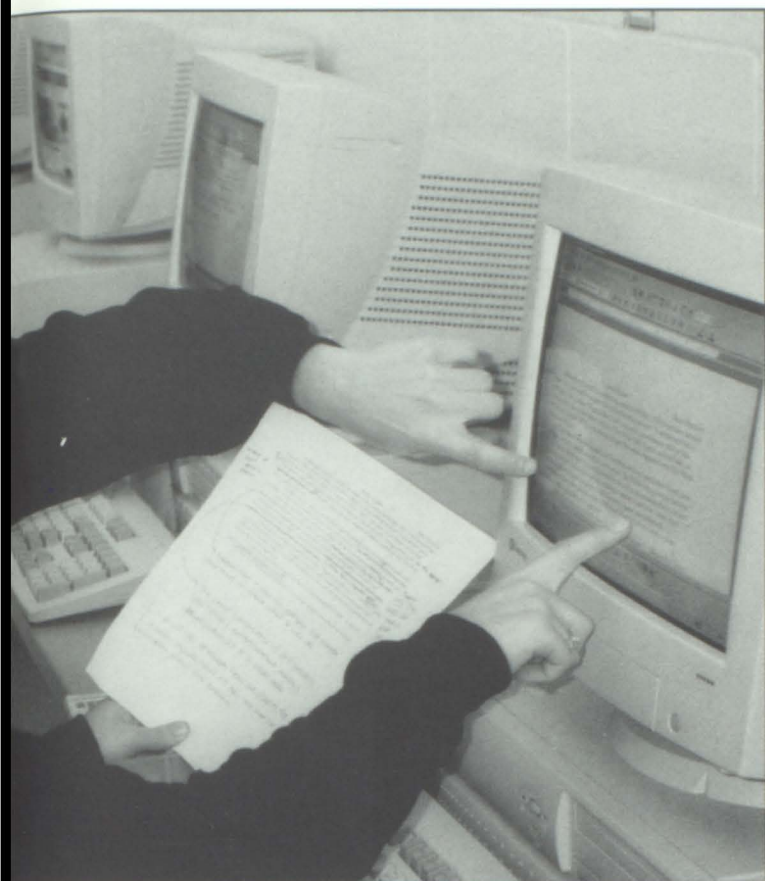
Torborg for the yearbook photograph. People always showed up at the wrong place or the wrong time.

Difference this year:

A new, younger staff.

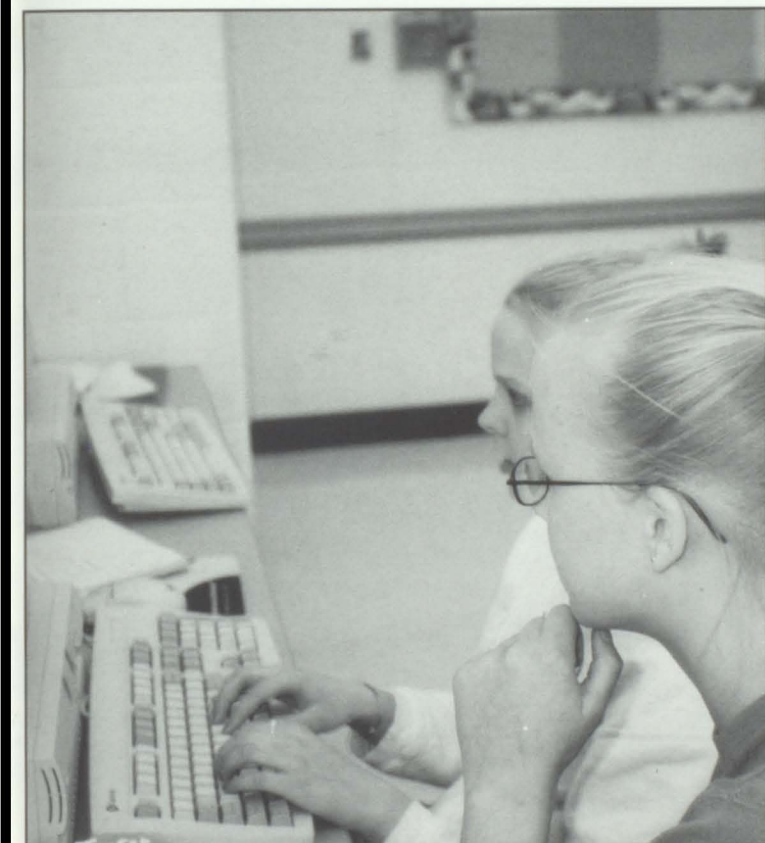


NEWSPAPER STAFF: Back- Stacy Nystrom, Tina Melchert, Lauren Hackbarth, Stephanie Grey, Courtney Dixon, Nate Waldvogel, Shane Syverson. Front- Makenzie Bakken, Jackie Anderson, Megan Haberling, Baillie Miller.



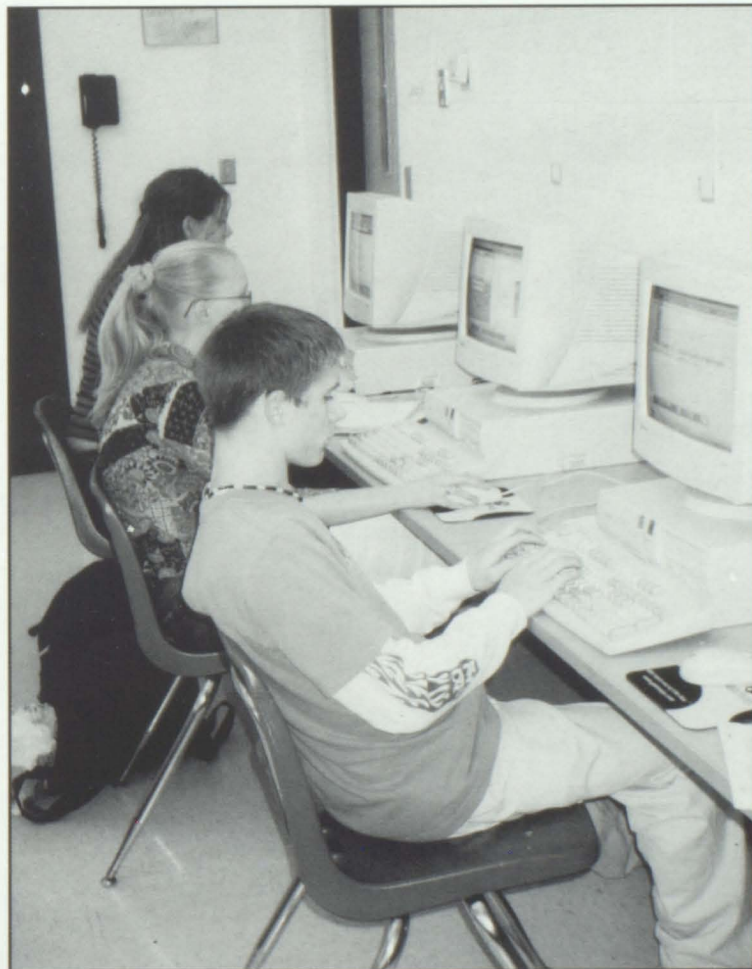
Left: Stacie Nystrom and Nate Waldvogel work together to proofread some of their work.

Below: Lauren Hackbarth and Crystal Reese are typing away.



Above: Crystal Reese and Jackie Anderson are type an article.

Right: Nate Waldvogel is hard at work.



Winterfest Spirit

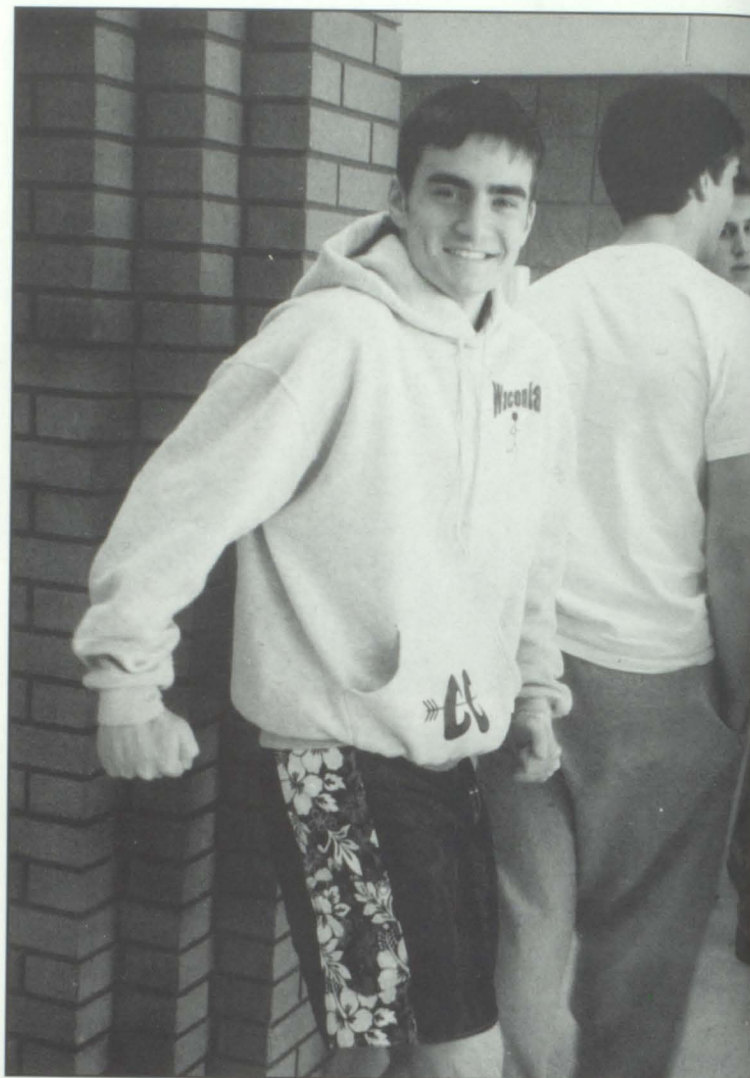
Winterfest 2003 was an exciting week at WHS. This year there were some fun dress-up days that the students participated in. Monday was Hawaiian Day, Tuesday was Class Outfit Day. Seniors wore college apparel, juniors wore beads and rings, sophomores wore ties, and freshman wore slippers. Wednesday was

Pajama Day, and Thursday was Valentines Outfit Day.

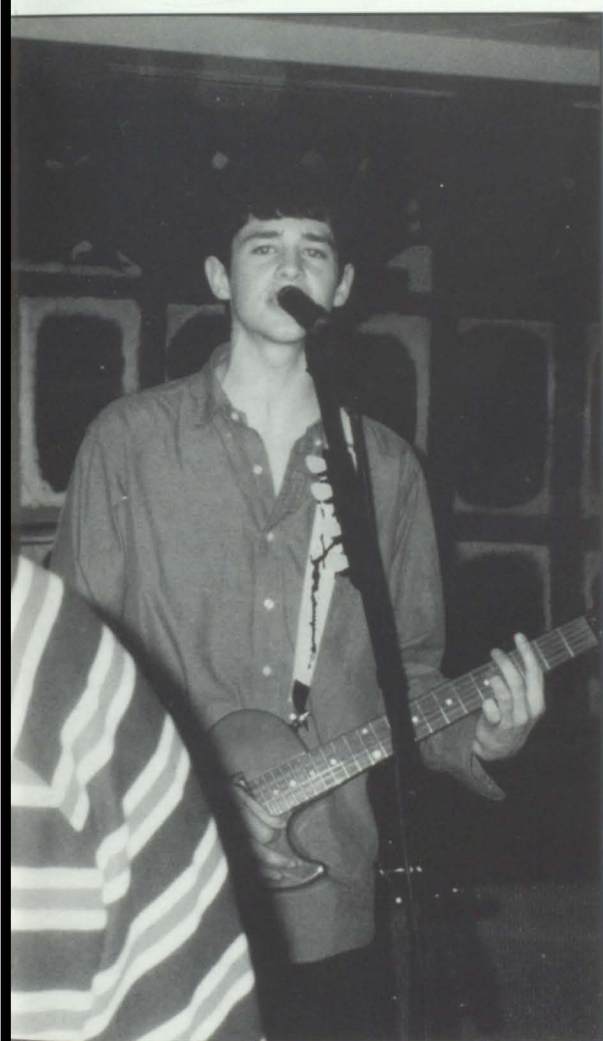
The annual Lips and Legs contest was held. Heidi Paulson was crowned Ms. Lips and Kory Rambow was crowned Mr. Legs. There was also a medallion hunt and the Orange Crush. The week ended with students receiving Candy Grams from their Valentines.



Top Right: Philip Litfin strikes a pose during Winterfest Week.
Above: Jackie Olson shows off her hula abilities on Hawaiian Day.



Right: Jeremy Robb, Andy Bongard, Rachel Mowry, and Tatiana Becker relax on Pajama Day.



Top: Heidi Paulson and Kory Rambow are crowned Ms. Lips and Mr. Legs.
Left: Reid Larsen belts out the tunes at the Winterfest Dance.

Above: Abby Corson and Samantha Foust get ready to bust a move at the Winterfest Dance.

We are *Invincible*



Top Left: The football team is on the line getting ready.

Above: Mike Krahulec and Joe Morimoto run hard to the finish line during a cross country meet.



Right: Waconia cheerleaders do a stunt.



Above: Amanda Lemke is ready for a bump.



Left: Brittany Bammert is a strong kicker for the girls soccer team.

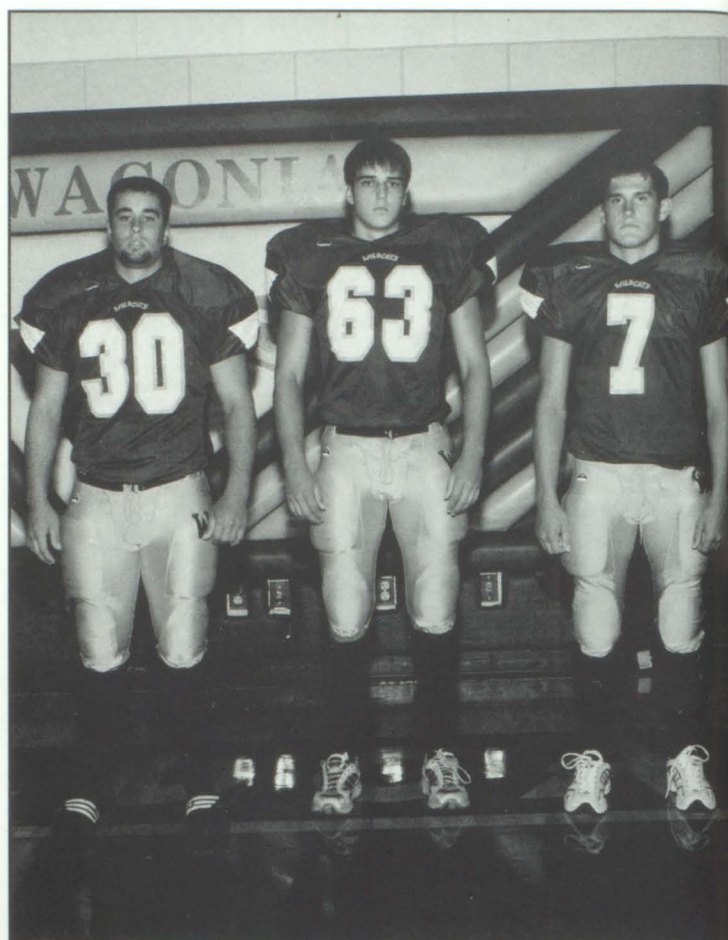
Kicking Off Another Year

The odds were against them from the very beginning, but the Waconia Wildcats football team kept going strong. They practiced long hours and played hard, but were rewarded with only two wins. The Wildcats took each of their losses with great dignity, and celebrated their homecoming win against Dassel Cokato with pride.

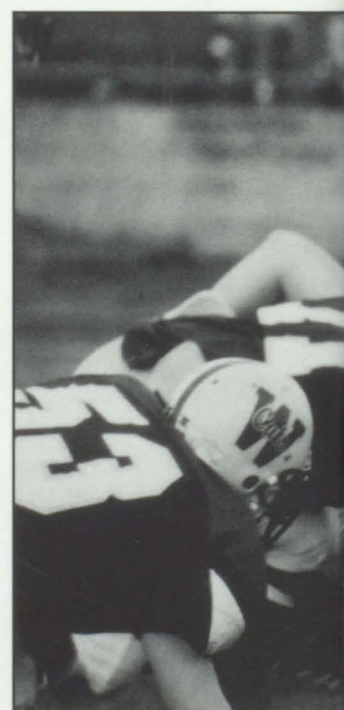
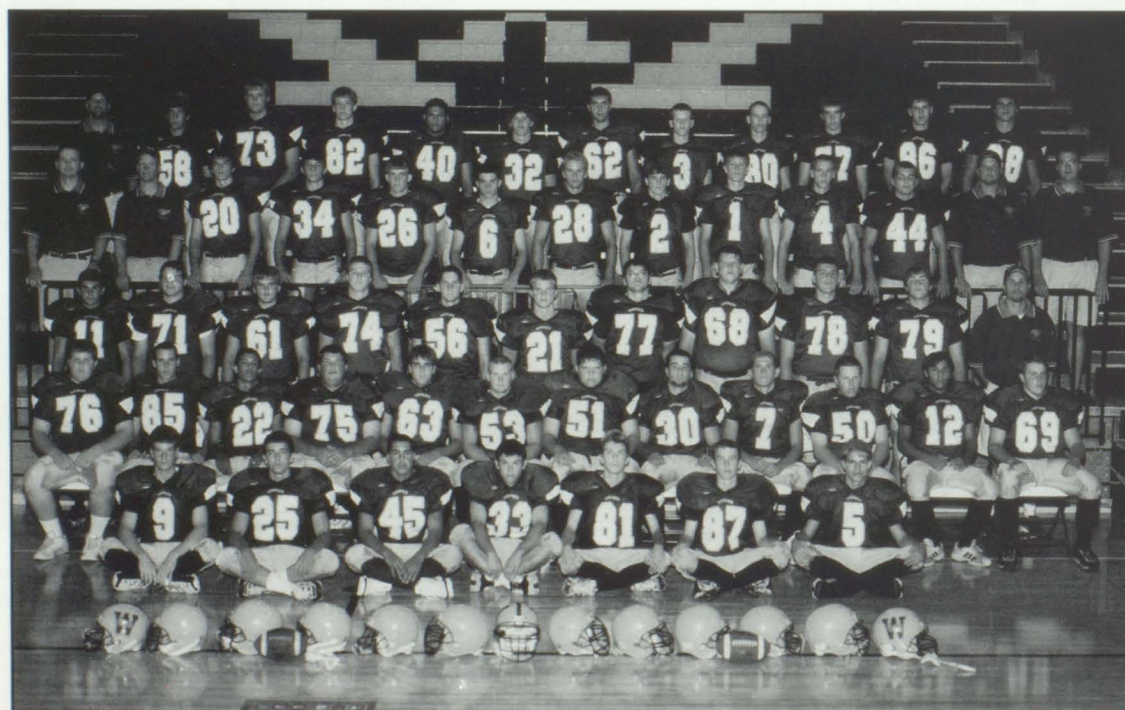
Awards went to Reilly School for Best Defense, Best Lineman went to Captain Dan

Philp, Joey Hibben was awarded Most Improved, Mr. Hustle was David Wabbe, and Captains Andrew Fredericksen and Mike Groschen were both granted Best Offense.

Some memories of the season include Coach Foley's speeches, their first win against D.C. when Cory Tellers got his face smeared in the mud, and a touchdown on the first play of the season.



FOOTBALL TEAM: **First Row-** Brady Gibbs, Sean Stein, Josh Ruiz, Ryan Carlson, Tyler Stahn, David Schmitt, David Flemig. **Second Row-** Andrew Hathaway, Joe Pogatchnik, Micah Young, Steven Kjergaard, Dan Philp, Nate Koch, Jacob Sutherland, Mike Groschen, Andrew Fredericksen, Brian Rademacher, Matt Polding, Eli Pieper. **Third Row-** Ben Smothers, Jacob Leshner, Kevin Krautbauer, David Wabbe, Cory Tellers, Dennis Westlund, Phillip Pieper, John Ansell, Tony Schilling, Andy Meeks, Coach Grundhofer. **Fourth Row-** Coach Grack, Coach Foley, Ben Timm, Pat Timmers, Brant Douville, Jim Berg, Justin Reitsma, Jeff Chrest, Chris Bullis, Luke Wilhelm, Jon Priess, Coach Myhre, Coach Herrmann. **Fifth Row-** Coach Olsen, Dan Held, Cody Edlund, Jake Condon, Tony Lussier, Reilly School, Wes Rasmussen, Dillion Sletten, Josh Breyer, Calvin St. John, Brandon Engelen, Joey Hibben.





Far Left: Captains Mike Groschen, Dan Philp and Andrew Fredericksen.

Left: Jon Priess tackles Litchfield's ball carrier.

Bottom Left: Wildcat defensive line.

Bottom Right: Captain Andrew Fredericksen runs with the ball.

Varsity Football

WHS	Opponent	OPP
29	DeLaSalle	49
14	Litchfield	46
14	Deleno	21
28	Dassel/Cokato	13
7	Watertown	21
0	Becker	28
20	Annandale	6
6	Glenco/S.L.	28

Award Winners

All Conference: Mike Groschen, Andrew Fredericksen and Micah Young.

H.M. All Conference: Dennis Westlund, Dan Philp, Justin Reitsma and Jim Berg.



Girls Dig Volleyball

This year's varsity volleyball team ended with a fourth place finish in the conference. Despite a loss to rival Mayer Lutheran, many of the players and Coach Lee considered it to be their most exciting game of the season. Mr. Lee said that the team was spurred on by the fans' cheers using drums. Some

memorable plays of the season were when Amanda Lemke got stuck in a garbage can, and when Heidi Paulson had twenty kills versus Dassel Cokato.

The team finished with a record of 14-15, in spite of a very challenging schedule. Meghan Menssen and Hedi Paulson both received All-

Conference honors. Emily Cousin, Anna Jonas, and Amanda Lemke received All-Conference Honorable Mention. The Academic All-Conference awards were given to Heidi Paulson, Anna Jonas, Amanda Lemke, and Kelsey Paulson. Anna Jonas and Heidi Paulson received the Academic All-State

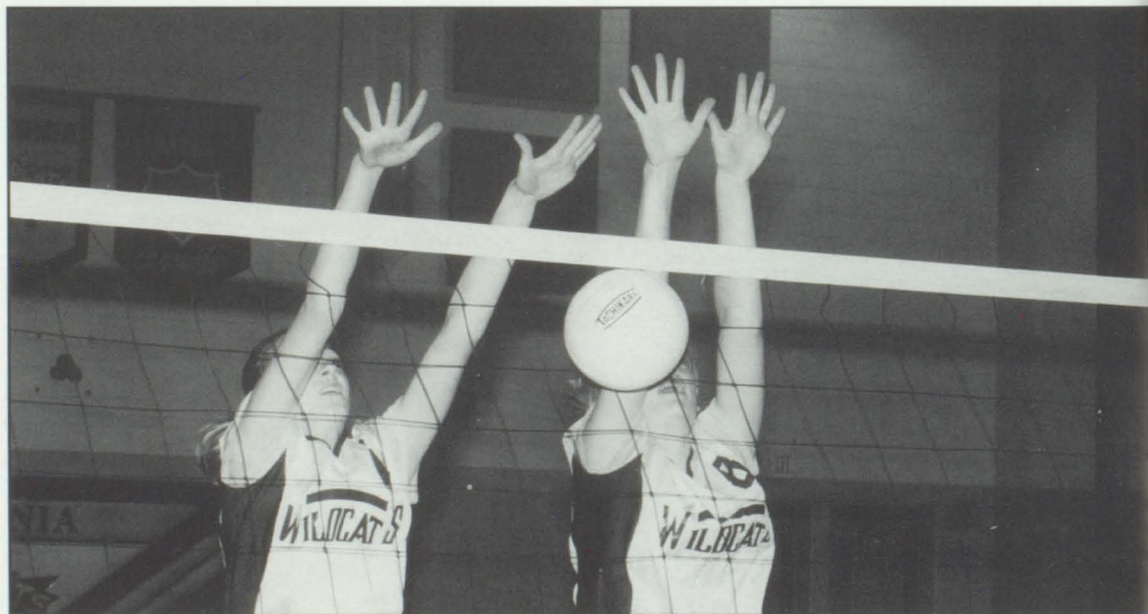
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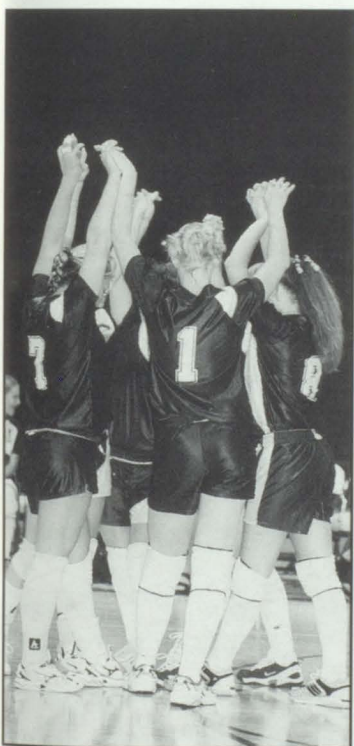
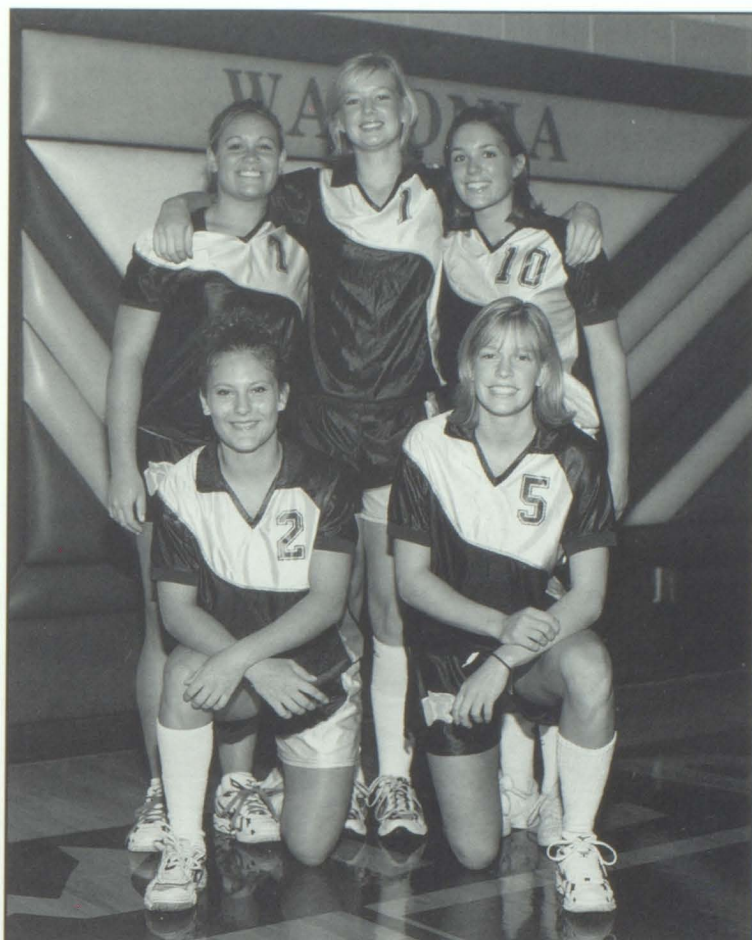
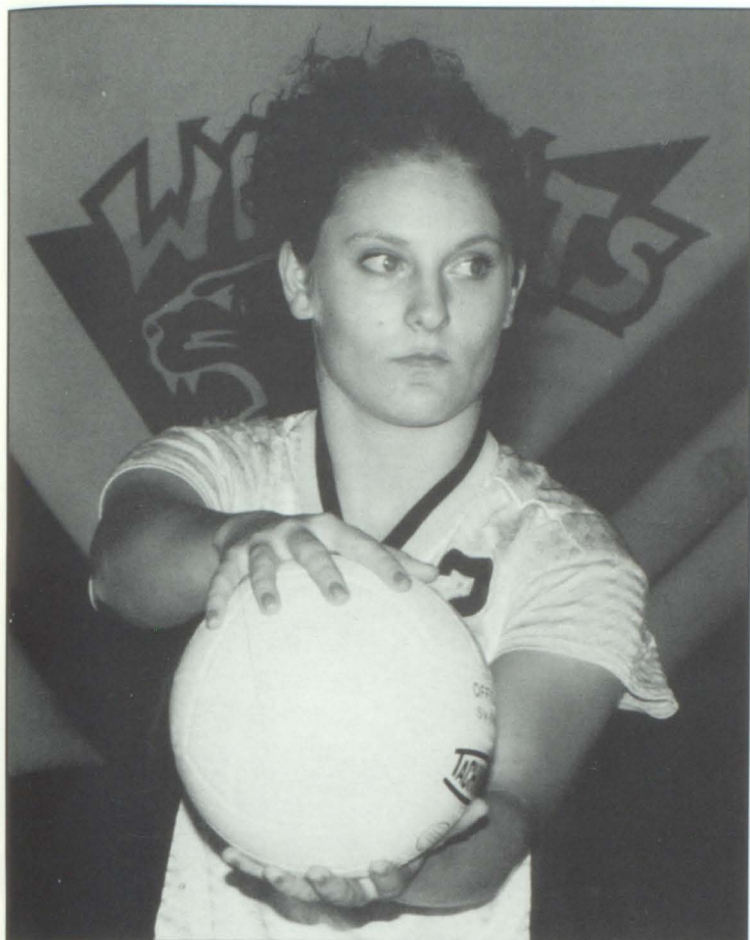
The team played several formidable opponents, such as Renville, the AA state champions. The Wildcats did very well in the face of tough competition, and had a very successful season.



Above: Senior Emily Cousin dives to make a perfect pass.

Right: Junior Courtney Buesgens and senior Heidi Paulson go up for a big block.





Top Left: Senior Amanda Lemke prepares to deliver an ace serve.
Top Right: The senior volleyball players Meghan Menssen, Heidi

Paulson, Anna Jonas, Amanda Lemke, and Emily Cousin have become close friends.

Bottom Left: The team joins on the court before the game.

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM: Coach Metzroff, Head Coach Lee, Coach Grundhofer, Chelsea Honebrink, Kelsey Paulson, Anna Jonas, Meghan Menssen, Heidi Paulson, Amanda Lemke, and Emily Cousin.

Going the Distance

In order to be on the Waconia cross country team, a runner must have five qualities. Attitude, agility, stamina, spirit and lots of speed are all necessary. Every member of the cross country team had those five things, which enabled them to do very well this season.

The star runners this year were Phil Litfin and Kaylee Rasmussen. At the end of the season, the boys were first in their conference and the girls placed second. At sectionals, both cross country teams also did very well. The boys got 10th place, and the girls got 12th. The team's great scores this season have made this entire community very proud, especially their coach. "This year the girls are stronger and the boys are just as strong as they were

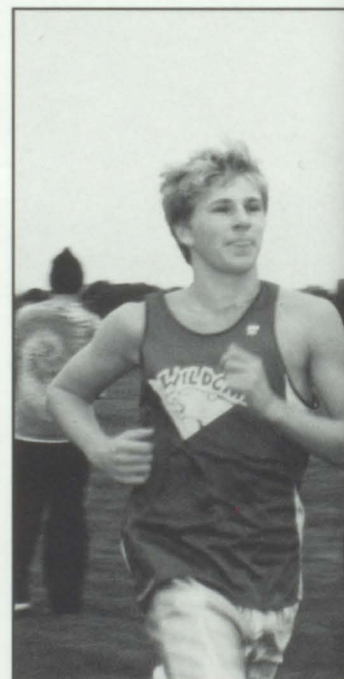
last year and they were very strong then," said Coach Machtemes.

Although they were very busy winning various cross country meets across the state, the team also made some time for a little fun. When asked about his favorite experience, tenth grader Nate Waldvogel replied, "There is a golf cart that drives in front of the runners to show them where to run, and the coaches made a bet that if a runner touched the cart they would give them \$200." Unfortunately, no one has touched it yet.

Right: Olivia Boll, Kirstin Palm, and Jenna Ely run close together.



BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM: **First Row-** Reid Larsen, Mike Krahulec, Scott Plocher, Blake Willborg, Jacob Bongard, Chase Noethe, Nate Waldvogel, Matt Neubauer. **Second Row-** Michael Anderson, Andy Neborak, Nate Laulainen, Joe Morimoto, Ted Moore, Andy Bongard, Evan Johnson, Brandon Weinzierl. **Third Row-** Coach Wassness, Coach Skerik, Coach Gilbert, Adam Erickson, Dan Klingelhut, Alex Krukowski, Philip Litfin, Pat Deering, Corey Erickson, Jeremy Robb, Coach Machtemes.



Above: Nate Laulainen strives toward the finish line.



Above: Sonja Ellingson gains speed while passing another runner.

Top Right: Philip Litfin, Alex Krukowski, Matt Neubauer, and Cory Erickson sprint at the sound of the gun.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM: **First Row-** Olivia Boll, Sophia Crosby, Kaylee Rasmussen, Lauren Krukowski, Amanda Dingwall. **Second Row-** Louise Klingelhutz, Jenna Ely, Megan Bailey, Katelyn Waletich, Dayna Sudheimer, Kathryn Laulainen. **Third Row-** Coach Wasness, Mallory O'Neil, Don Skerik, Mackenzie Colins, Kerstin Palm, Sonja Ellingson, Lindsey Lano, Lucy Gunness, Coach Machtemes.

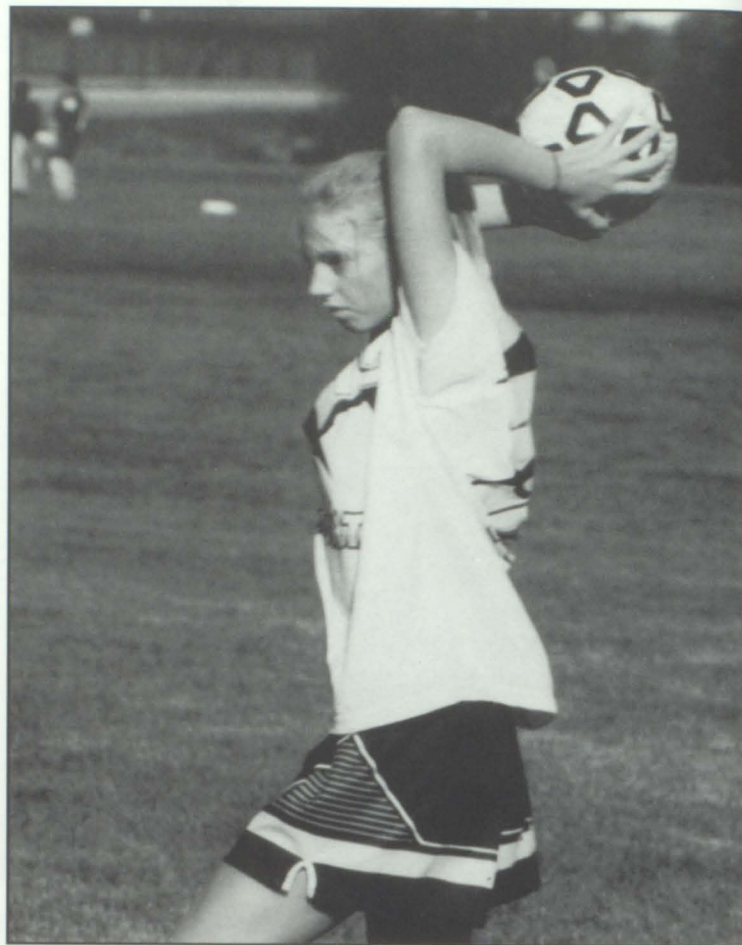
Determination

The first year of Girls Varsity Soccer in Waconia was a great success. The team started out on the right foot with seven wins and six losses. Winning each of the games against their biggest rivals, Mayer Lutheran and Watertown-Mayer, was very rewarding. However, being an inexperienced team competing against some of the more experienced teams was a big challenge. Throughout the whole

season, Captains Brittany Bammert and Lindsey Rague helped keep the girls positive.

Courtney Dixon and Lindsey Rague led the team with the most goals and assists. A season highlight for the team was beating Mayer Lutheran in overtime after a bad week of practice.

When asked about the first season of Girls Soccer, Coach Joe Bendix said, "It was a great start to a new beginning."



Above: Courtney Dixon launches an excellent throw-in to assist her team for the win.

Left: Ali Klason handles the ball nicely while shooting for the goal.



Girls Varsity Soccer

WHS	OPPONENT	OPP
4	SW Christian	1
1	Monticello	10
0	West Lutheran	4
3	Watertown	2
0	Holy Family Catholic	2
6	PACT Charter	0
3	Mayer-Lutheran	2
0	Delano	5
0	Orono	8
2	Rockford	0
3	Mayer-Lutheran	1
2	Concordia Academy	3



GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER: Back Row- Jenna Taylor, Brittany Bammert, Maggie Klason, Courtney Dixon, Crystal Kroells, Tina Melchert, Danielle Chinander, Coach Bendix. Middle Row- Kari Luce, Ali Klason, Nicole Sampson, Becky Solheim, Abby Corson, Lindsey Rague. Front Row- Sofie Gotting, Krista Polding, Bridget Ayers-Looby, Cassie Row, and Kerstin Blegen.



Left: Jeremiah Worwick shows off his fancy footwork to the opposing team.

Below Left: Tyler Ludwigson battles his opponent for the ball.



Below: Matt Polding kicks the ball to his team on the other side of the field.



Boys JV Soccer

WHS	Opponent	OPP
3	STMA	1
1	Glencoe	3
8	Orono	0
8	PACT	0
7	STMA	1
10	Mound	0
6	Glencoe	6
9	Monticello	9
4	Hutchinson	4

Setting a Standard



"As a first year JV team, the boys soccer did extremely well and made strides in this season that some teams don't see until their second or third season," stated Coach Josh Hutchcraft. Team captains Matt Polding, A.J. Wazniak, and Brian Falk led the team to a fantastic 8-1 season.

The coach said, "The team's biggest strength was

heart, miles and miles of heart." He believed their only weakness was inexperience. Coach Hutchcraft hopes future elementary through high school programs will help develop strong players and a strong tradition in Waconia. All in all the year was an excellent start for organized boys soccer in Waconia.

BOYS JV SOCCER: **Back Row-** Coach Hutchcraft, Dan Allen, David Deering, Eric Butteris, Josh Wagner, Karl Palm, Joe Weaver, Jared May, Matt Polding, Coach Aaron Houck. **Third Row-** Nate Ring, Mathias Weinzierl, Brian Falk, Ryan Hill, Aaron Salo, Brian Lenzen, Ryan Hayes, Jaren Stangret, David Hobbs, Brandon Wachholz. **Second Row-** Tyler Ludwigson, David Carrier, David May, Alex Schnedler, Nick Hentges, Justin Ely, Gabe Maravelas. **Front Row-** Ryan Vogel, Tommy Cradick, Luke Billings, Ross Weinzierl, Alex Kalausich, Ryan Hoffman.

We've Got Spirit!

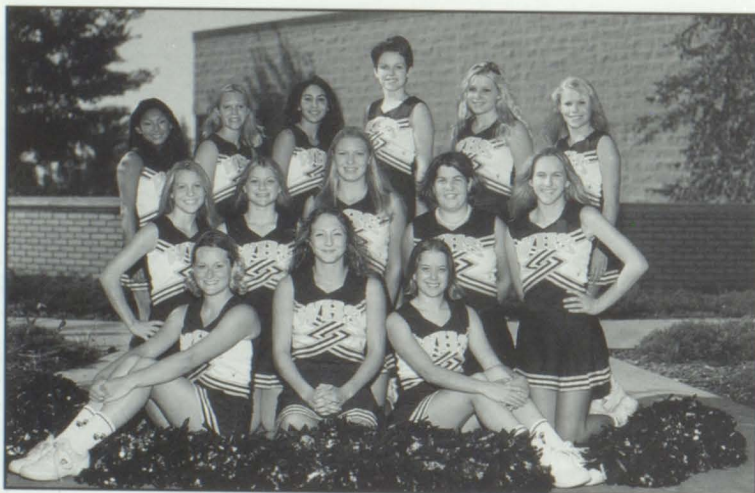
The Waconia Wildcat cheerleaders are very hard workers. The girls go through tryouts, and once they are in, the summer practices soon begin. They also go to camp to work on cheers and stunts. The girls cheer for football, volleyball, cross country, basketball and wrestling.

// I am very proud of the hard work and dedication our cheerleaders have. We will be sad to see a large amount of our seniors graduating this year. //

-Amy Fischer
Cheerleading Advisor

Right: Jena Niesen is tossed out of an extension.

BASKETBALL CHEERLEADERS: **Back Row-** Akayla Stevens, Amanda Randt, Katie Morimoto, Tara Niebeling. **Middle Row-** Megan Haberling, Katie Zancig. **Front Row-** Cassandra Schaffer, Jenny Erickson, Jena Niesen, Laura Schmidt.



FALL CHEERLEADERS: **Back Row-** Akayla Stevens, Kate Munson, Katie Morimoto, Bethany Jetto, Birgette Rifley, Tara Niebeling. **Middle Row-** Jena Niesen, Tracy Kuphal, Katie Zancig, Jenny Erickson, Cassandra Schaffer. **Front Row-** Megan Haberling, Danielle Sampson, Laura Schmidt.



WRESTLING CHEERLEADERS: **Back Row-** Paige Vigil, Megan Sipper, Bethany Jetto, Ashley Berndt, Stacie Seaman. **Front Row-** Birgitte Rifley, Katie Braun, Kayla Menth, Ali Lenzen.



Top: Katie Zancig, Cassandra Schaffer, Tracy Kuphal, Megan Haberling, Danielle Sampson, Laura Schmidt, Jenny Erickson and Jena Niesen take time on homecoming to take a picture.
Middle Left: Football cheerleaders demonstrate a hitch for the crowd.

Above: Akayla Stevens executes a toe-touch basket toss at a basketball game.
Bottom Left: The State-bound wrestlers are welcomed in by their anxious cheerleaders at a home meet.

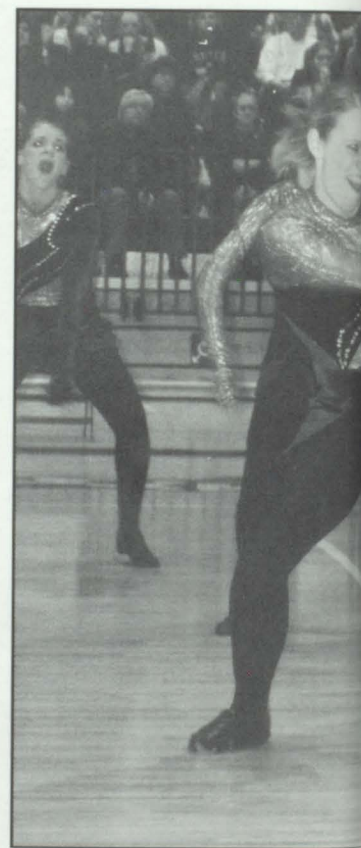
Kicking Their Way to the Top

With a small dedicated group, the 2003 Danceline team had a great season. Captain Jaci Hennen said, "Dancing high kick at our home competition was definitely a highlight for me. The cheering was so loud, and nothing beats dancing for your home crowd and showing everyone just how good you truly are." The dance team placed second in the high kick division at the Waconia meet. Besides the Waconia Competition, the team performed at Apple Valley, Maple Grove, Benilde, Fairbault, and Chaska.

Before each competition, Jaci Hennen pictured herself dancing the routine beautifully and flawlessly in her head. The most memorable moment for Jaci in danceline was being chosen as captain. "It really meant a lot to me that my girls wanted me to be their leader." As a leader, she states this quote to her teammates for encouragement, "Dance is not about grande battlements, pirouettes, or tondues. It is about passion, desire, and love."



Above: The varsity team gets together to take a group picture.
Below: The dance team has a lot of enthusiasm while performing.

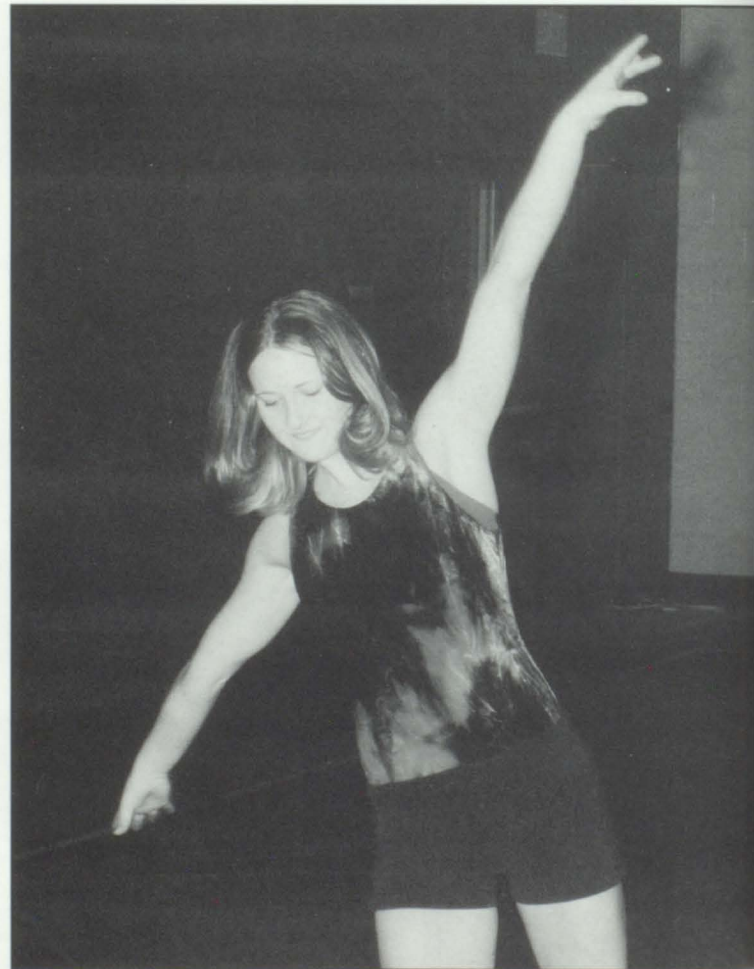
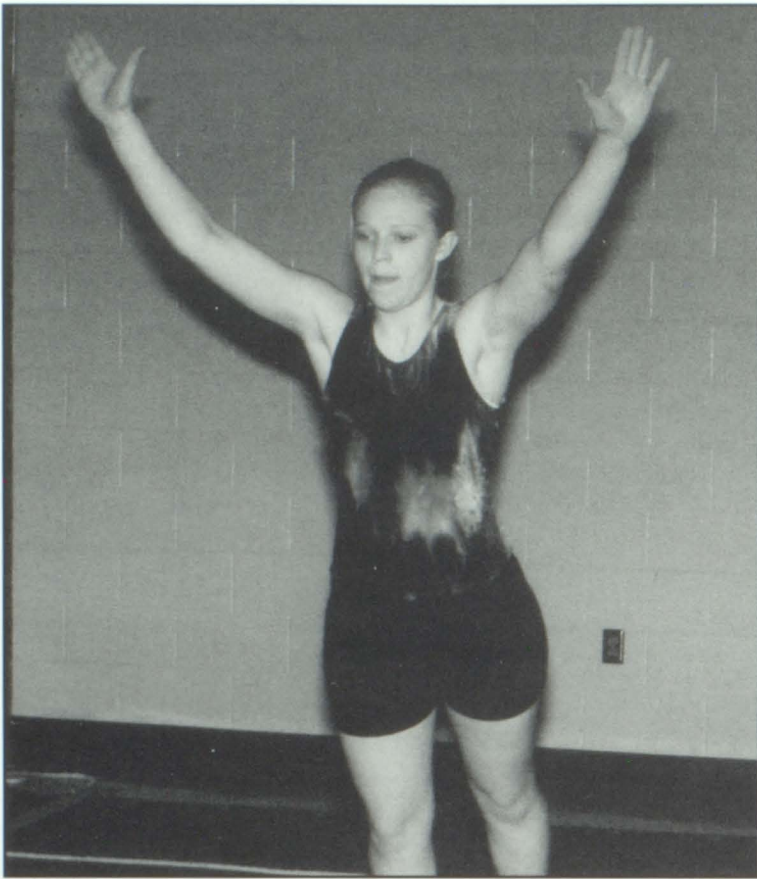


Above: Kim Rademacher shows what she's made of.



Top: Cassie Row sparkles on the gym floor.

VARSITY DANCE LINE: **Back Row-** Coach Sheri Weiland, Samantha Tvedt, Holly Ostlie, Catherine McAvoy, Kayla Sayre, Assistant Coach Megan Rasmussen. **Middle Row-** Kari Wickenhauser, Chelsie Vogel, Cassie Row, Ashley Iacona, Chelsea Engstrom. **Front Row-** Kim Rademacher, Ellie Goenner, Danielle Sampson, Jaci Hennen, Claire Salveson.



GYMNASTICS TEAM: Back Row- Coach Swenson , Captain Ali Klason, Dana Gentz, Kellie Hoen, Assistant Coach Bendix, Captain Molly Anquist. **Middle Row-** Maddie Sims, Kerin Jetto, Kate Munson, Sheryl Cummines, Nicole Sampson. **Front Row-** Claire Johnson, Samantha Soerenson, Mackenzie Nash.

Top Left: Kate Munson gets ready to do a floor routine.

Top Right: Samantha Sorenson practices her tumbling.

Right: Ali Klason perfects her balance.

Head Over Heels



Dream, Believe, Imagine. Three simple words sum up the Waconia Gymnastics Team. By improving their scores and becoming a closer team, the team has gained confidence in themselves as a whole. As Senior Captain Molly Anquist stated, "Each gymnast can walk out of the gym feeling good about themselves mentally as well as physically."

One memorable moment the team had was when they did a dance for their parents on parent night. According to Molly, this year's team had an abundance of new, younger girls. Even though

the team seems to be getting smaller each year, there is hope for a bigger and stronger group in the future.

When asked about her favorite part of gymnastics, Molly said, "For me, it's something that I do different from most of my friends. It's nice to be able to have a group or something to go to, to escape from the rest of the world."

The following awards were given out at the gymnastics banquet: Most Valuable Gymnast, Most Improved, Most Dedicated, Hardest Worker, and the Wildcat Awards.



Top Left: Nicole Sampson flies through the air.

Left: Molly Anquist jumps towards her goal.

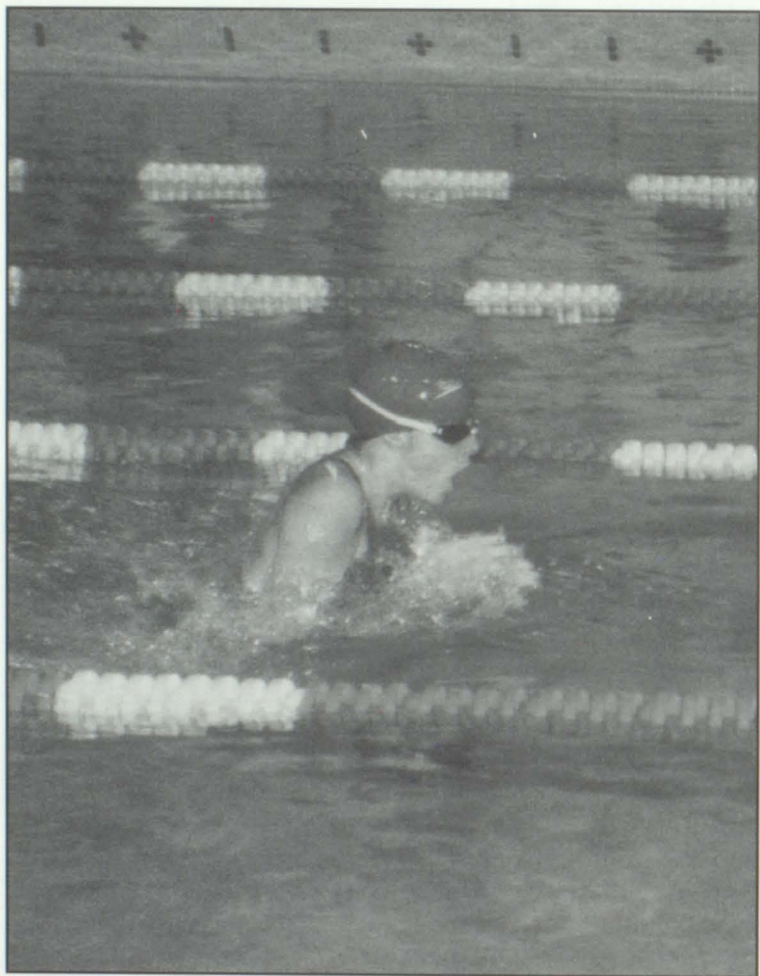
Above: Mackenzie Nash practices on the balance beam.

Evolving



"Waconia has an awesome swim team!" stated senior Captain Chrissi Nelson. "The girls are great and improved at every meet. We competed to the highest level possible this year! I am really going to miss them!" This year's swim team was extremely dedicated and strong. The 200 medley relay team (Meghan Durkin, Leah Moore, Jenny Nelson and Chrissi Nelson) dropped four seconds and broke the school record. The same four girls also dropped

fourteen seconds in the 400 freestyle relay with a new team record of 4.584 minutes. The team was two seconds away from receiving a medal. Unfortunately, the diving board was not able to be used in Watertown, so Kerin Jetto, their only Waconia diver wasn't able to practice or compete at Watertown with the rest of the team. The 2002 swimming and diving team worked very hard this year and will continue to improve in the future.



Above: Leah Moore swims her award winning breast stroke.



Center Right: Sisters Chrissi and Jenny Nelson find the pool water a little too cold.



Above: The Waconia Swim Team gets ready for a meet.

SWIM TEAM: Jenny Legahan, Chrissi Nelson, Jenny Nelson, Olivia Younkin, Leah Moore, and Kerin Jetto.

Dedicated to Performance

Winter Colorguard has been around for a few years, but not many people know what it's all about.

Colorguard is a sport that requires skill, patience and lots of practice. It takes a lot to be a member of the Epic Winter Colorguard. This year was different from past years considering that they had a new instructor, Molly Norton. She brought new ideas and new ways, including a great show entitled "Peace Train." This year the color guard had four captains: Jamie Asp, Marissa Held, Tasha Lindemann, and Valene Zakashefski. The Epic Winterguard's "Peace Train" show brought the team to success.



Top: Tasha Lindemann, Marissa Held, Valene Zakashefski, and Jamie Asp reveal their colorguard charm.

WINTERGUARD TEAM: Top Row Jackie Salden, Bethany Wall, Melissa Ruscher, Amanda Dingwall. Middle Row Janell Anderson, Kayla DeBoer, Merideth Lamberger, Nicole Klaustermeier. Front Row- Marissa Held, Tasha Lindemann, Jamie Asp, Valene Zakashefski.

Hoopin' Honeys

Playing at Annandale for a share of the conference lead was one of the team's highlights this year. Even though they lost by two, it was still a great privilege to show the dedication and hard work that the Girls Varsity Basketball team accomplished this year.

One goal of the team is to be the best team that they possibly can be. From this goal came a positive outcome being the most memorable moment of the season. This moment was when they won after four overtimes at Glencoe.

After every win, it's a ritual for them to sing the school song in the locker room. Showing school spirit and a solid team first attitude, the Girls Varsity Basketball team has shown great effort that everyone can be proud of.



Right: The entire team shakes hands with the opposing team after a game.



VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL: Back Row- Jenny VanKirk, Jennifer Brandenburg, Kate Stuewe, Courtney Buesgens, Chelsea Honebrink. Middle Row- Coach Lee, Kaylee Rasmussen, Andrea Dalen, Cassie Williams, Coach Doyscher. Front Row- Emily VanKirk, Lindsey Lano.



Above Left: Cassie Williams steals the ball away from an Annandale opponent.

Left: Mallory Tevis is open for a pass.

Above: Lindsey Lano takes advice from the coach.



Above: Emily VanKirk dribbles the ball down the court.

Varsity Girls Basketball

WHS	Opponent	OPP
48	Mound-Westonka	55
51	Mayer Luthern	59
45	Glencoe	43
50	Litchfield	24
47	Benilde	46
47	Norwood	46
37	Norwood	42
59	Becker	36
60	Dassel	35
33	Annandale	36
45	Delano	33
55	Watertown	44
68	Glencoe	63
43	Litchfield	40
52	Becker	38
43	Dassel	25
49	Annandale	51
45	Delano	40
45	Belle Plaine	35
38	Watertown	41
57	St. Anthony	29
47	Jordan	60

These Guys Have Game!

"I feel very fortunate to be able to work with a great group of student-athletes and continue to build on a successful program," explained the new boy's basketball coach for the

year, Mr. Hayes. The team was dedicated and worked extremely hard. They turned around completely from last year.

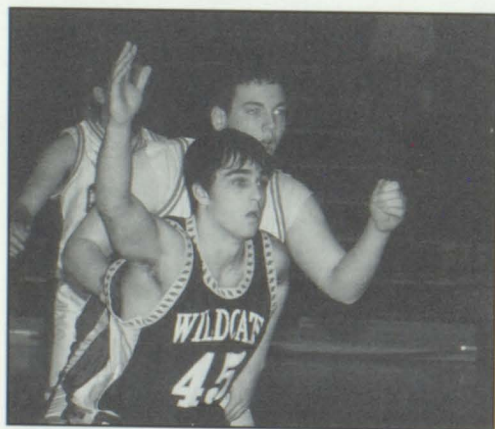
One of the highlights of the year was Corey Erickson's

buzzer beater shot for the win. John Keefe, who is one of the team's captains that leads the group, says "We set goals and unlike other teams we accomplished them."



Varsity Boys Basketball		
WHS	Opponent	OPP
41	Orono	58
43	Hutchinson	67
49	Shakopee	66
66	Chaska	80
50	Holy Trinity	64
67	Mayer Lutheran	51
62	Rockford	51
60	Becker	57
63	Mound-Westonka	55
53	Dassel-Cokato	42
49	Annandale	59
52	Delano	47
63	Watertown-Mayer	66
48	Glencoe-Silver Lake	57
50	Norwood-Young America	56
34	Litchfield	51
55	Becker	53
53	Dassel-Cokato	30
56	Annandale	54
62	Delano	70
55	Watertown-Mayer	71
35	Glencoe-Silver Lake	43
53	Litchfield	75
64	Holy Family	46
62	Blake	78

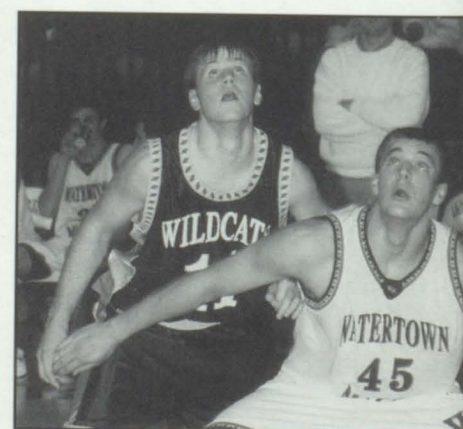
VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL: Back Row- Coach Konrardy, Dillon Sletten, Adam Erickson, David Deering, Andrew Meeks, Jake Schieffer, Corey Erickson, Justin Reitsma, Luke Wilhelm, Brady Brink, Coach Moe. Front Row- Evan Johnson, Micah Young, Kory Rambow, Coach Hayes, Dan Philp, John Keefe, Philip Litfin.



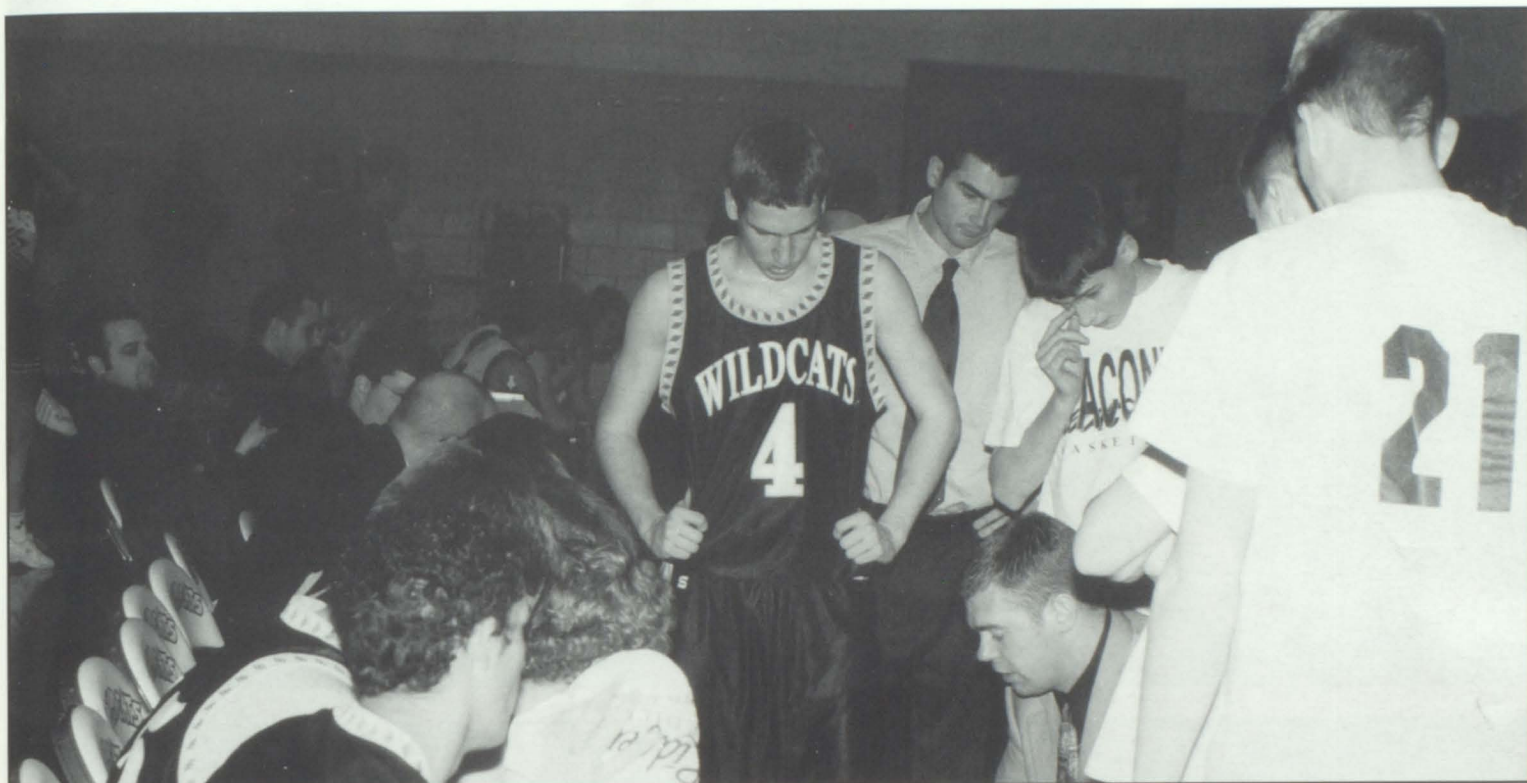
Above: Dan Philp waits for the ball.



Above: Micah Young goes for a shot.



Above: John Keefe is ready for a rebound.



Top Left: Luke Wilhelm dribbles the ball past a Watertown defender.
Middle: The team takes a time out.
Above: Jake Schieffer shoots and scores.

Top Right: Evan Johnson blocks a pass.
Above: Philip Litfin brings the ball down the court.

Believe

The Waconia/Mayer Lutheran Wrestling Team completed a fantastic year under their new head coach Kelly Wagener. The guys worked extremely hard and accomplished great things. Captains Dennis Westlund and Jon Priess are very proud

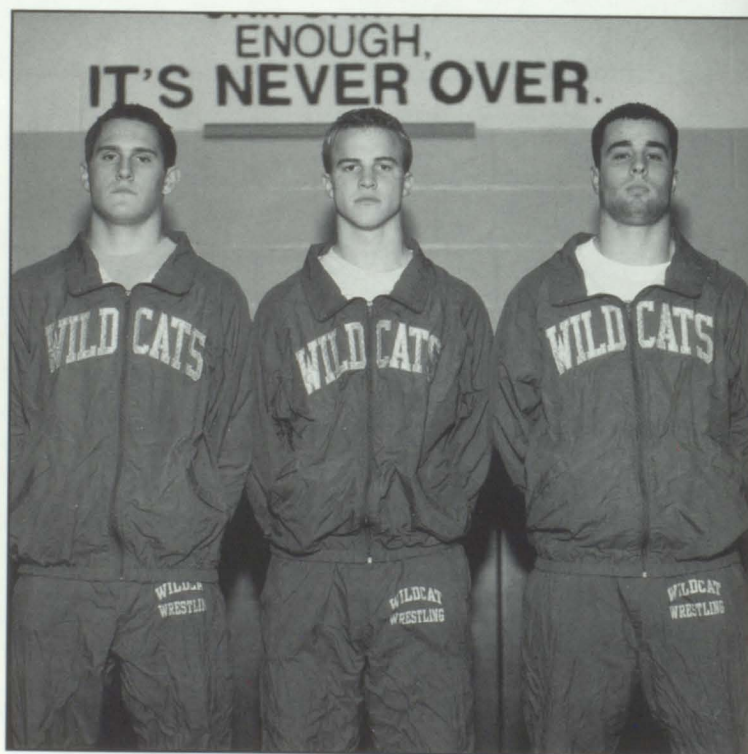
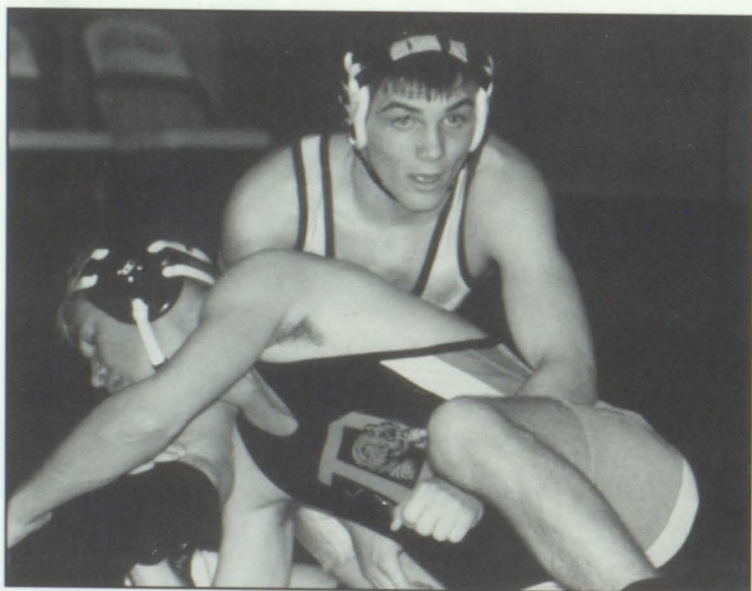
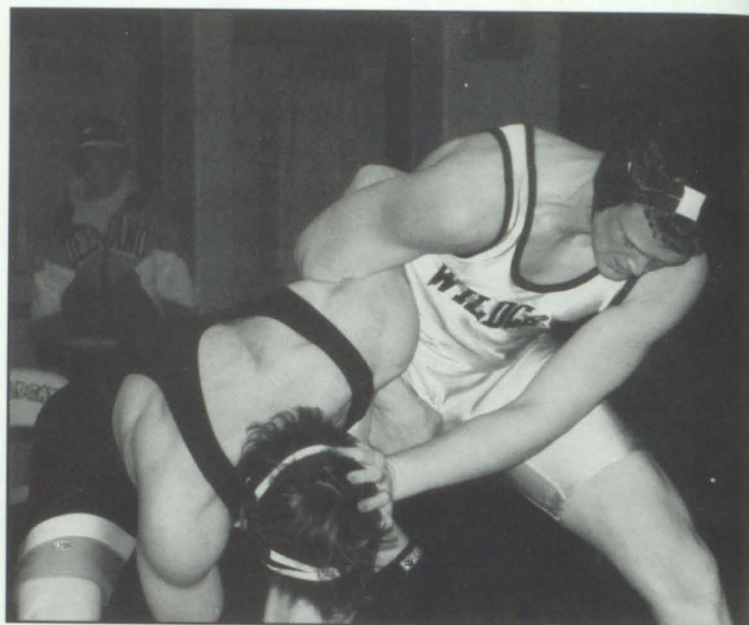
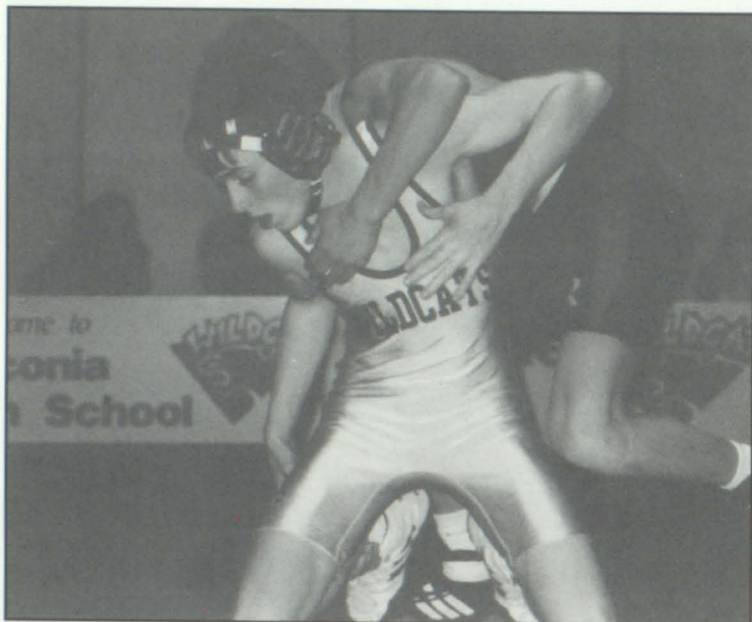
of the team as a whole.

One of the biggest accomplishments this season was sending nine individuals to the state tournament, the most in Waconia/Mayer Lutheran wrestling history! Among the guys who earned this honor were Aaron Cook,

David Flemig, Jared Duske, Jon Priess, Dennis Westlund, Dan Hoernemann, Andrew Fredericksen, Mike Groschen and Dan Pohl.

Senior Captain Dennis Westlund also broke Jeff Ziermann's 1995 school record for career wins.

This season was undoubtedly a great success, and with most of the varsity team returning next year, even better things can be expected in the years to come.

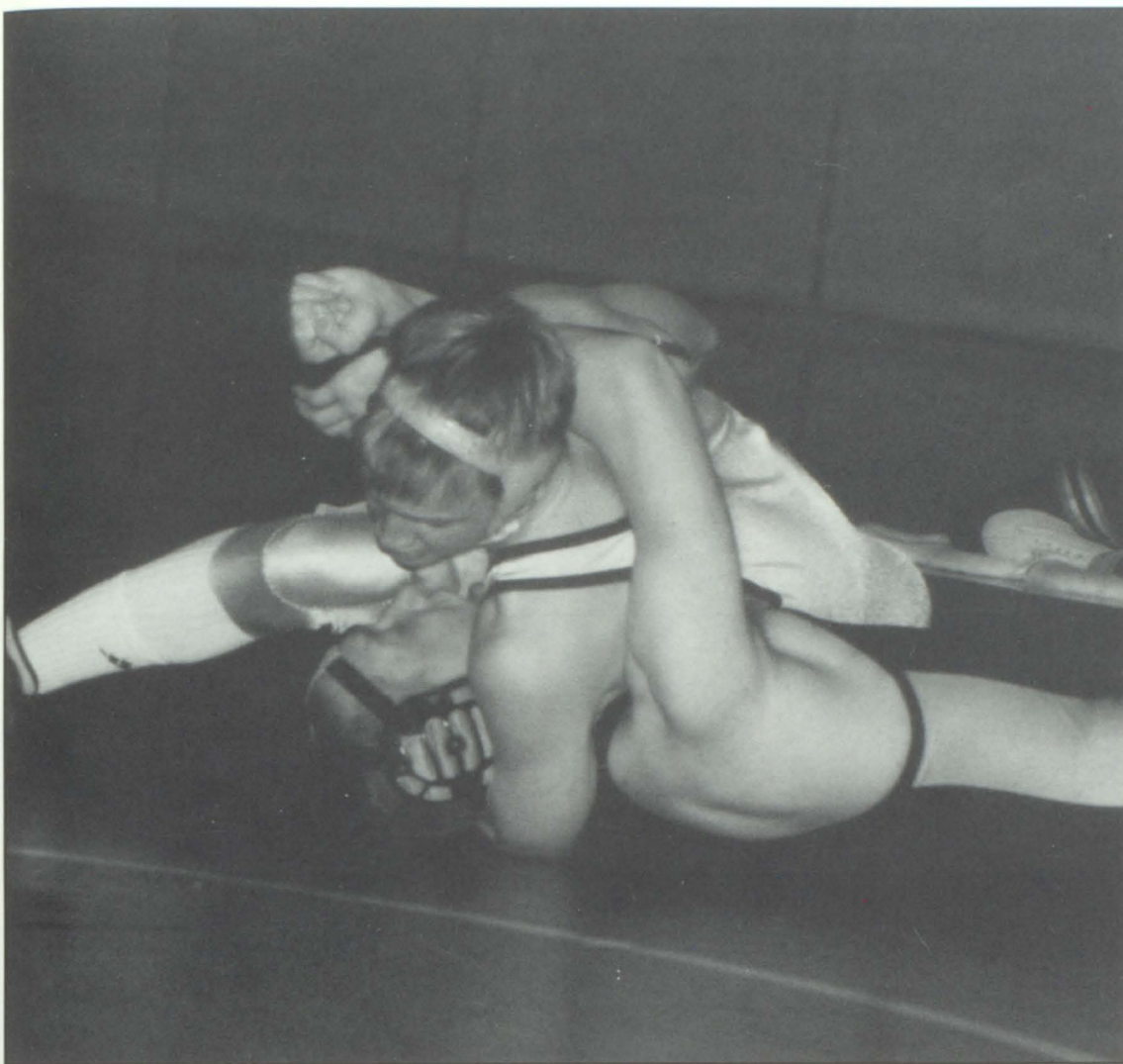


Top Left: Aaron Cook works for an escape.

Bottom Left: Captain Jon Priess prevents his opponent from scoring a reversal.

Top Right: Joe Nord dominates his opponent.

Bottom Right: Seniors Andrew Fredericksen, Dennis Westlund and Mike Groschen.



Waconia/Mayer Lutheran Varsity Wrestling

WHS	Opponent	Opp
60	Orono	15
53	Lacqui Parle	21
32	St. James	36
25	Dassel	36
30	Mill Lacs	30
46	Annandale	19
72	Rockford	9
29	Watertown	32
24	Litchfield	38
25	Becker	33
60	Mound	10
47	Chaska	21
55	Delano	15
41	Norwood	25
55	Glencoe	18
33	St. Cloud Tech	36
76	Columbia Hts.	0
47	Mound	20
26	STMA	33

1st Place- Delano Tourn.
1st Place- Mora Tourn.
2nd Place- Wildcat Duels
16th out of 32-Christmas Tourn.

Left: Senior Captain Dennis Westlund goes on to pin his Delano opponent.



WRESTLING TEAM: Back Row- Coach Kelly Wagener, Kyle Beilby, Ben Timm, Brian Ziesmer, Andrew Fredericksen, Chris Bullis, Tony Schilling, David Flemig, Dan Phol, Wes Rasmussen, Dan Hoernemann, Coach Mike Zaske. Third Row- Joe Nord, Mike Schuette, Mike Groschen, Keagan Stangret, Aaron Cook, Jon Priess, Dennis Westlund, Jared Duske, David Schmitt, Braedon Schmidt. Second Row- Andrew Ruscher, Micheal Jackels, Josh Beckmann, T.J. Selvey, Josh Artmann, Brad Weinzierl, Jonothan Debner, Kevin Bullis, David Hpbbs, Kyle Durkin, Joey Larsen, Alex Riner. Front Row- Cherie Seaman, Shayanne Roth.

Junior Varsity and Ninth Grade Teams



9th GRADE VOLLEYBALL: Back Row- Tracy Kelzer, Kelsey Engelen, Keli Leivermann, Katherine Jonas, Kelly Hulke. Front Row- Coach Metzroth, Elizabeth Fischbach, Desiree Dantona, Jessica Davis, Emma Denbrook, Megan Masurka.



JV VOLLEYBALL: Back Row- Cortney Bongard, Amanda Clemensen, Courtney Buesgens, Amanda Randt, Anna Philp. Middle Row- Coach Thorson, Nanette Ristow, Jenny VanKirk, Krista Anderson. Front Row- Kate Solheim, Martha Lemke, Estelle Denbrook, Katie Groschen, Bethany Slice, Megan Fredericksen.



JV SOCCER: Back Row- Coach Herzfeldt, Taylor Melius, Shelby Lenzen, Mary Deweese, Sara Gee, Michelle Blegen, Carolyn Bly. Third Row- Jennifer Hunter, Catherine McAvoy, Lindsay Fischbach, Suzanne Harvat, Mallory Hanson, Jackie Jensen, Katelyn Waletich. Second Row- Michelle Gesinger, Kathryn Carrier, Baillie Miller, Julie Neborak, Megan Bybee. Front Row- Stephanie Quaschnick, Amber Quaschnick.



9th GRADE FOOTBALL: Back Row- Bradley Rademacher, Matthew Tegels, Matthew Goede, David Hobbs, Kevin Bullis, Kyle Hoen, Kyle Durkin. Third Row- Coach Grack, Paul Meyer, Marcus Dummer, Douglas Ombati, Jacob Rajewsky, Samuel Sterner, Devin Noeldner, TJ Koehler, Coach Herrmann. Second Row- Perry Lenz, Matthew Wessale, Adam Frank, Jason Menth, Colby Young, Mark Schrupp, Jake Stanton, Ryan Nelson, Joel Swift. Front Row- Aaron Templin, Kevin Zimmermann, Joseph Nord, Jason Brandenburg, Nathan Eder.



9th GRADE GIRLS BASKETBALL: Back Row- Amanda Dingwall, Mackenzie Collins, Elizabeth Fischbach, Nanette Ristow, Becky Solheim. Front Row- Olivia Boll, Lydia Ombati, Tracy Kelzer, Kathryn Laulainen, Christine Anderson, Katherine Jonas.



JV GIRLS BASKETBALL: Back Row- Keli Leivermann, Tess Surat, Coach Lee, Anna Philp, Nanette Ristow. Front Row- Katherine Jonas, Kelsey Paulson, Amanda Scheff, Krista Anderson, Megan Bybee.



9th GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL: Back Row- Justin Ely, TJ Koehler, Matthew Tegels, Matt Larkin, Jason Menth, Ken Sterner, Ryan Hoffman. Middle Row- Coach Cavanaugh, Colby Young, Evan Gundlach, Aaron Templin, Samuel Sterner, Mark Schrupp, Matthew Wessale. Front Row- Tyler Ludwigson, Perry Lenz, Douglas Ombati, Nathan Eder, Zachary Gatheridge, Kevin Deering, Dennis Fiebelkorn.



JV BOYS BASKETBALL: Back Row- Coach Konrardy, Brandon Engelen, Joey Hiben, Eric Butteris, Anthony Lussier, Adam Fisel, Brady Gibbs. Front Row- Josh Ruiz, Pat Deering, Coach Moe, Jordan Peters, Nick Marxen, Adam Erickson.

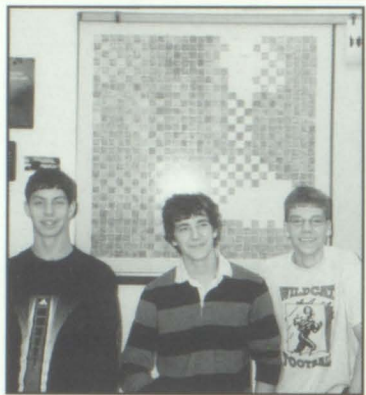


JV DANCELINE: Back Row- Coach Rasmussen, Sheena Sievers, Caitlin Smith, Coach Egger. Middle Row- Brittney Sweeney, Ambrosia Leuthardt, Kasey Tvedt, Jessica Krautbauer, Ashley Wuksinich. Front Row- Allison Barnard, Courtney Elasky, Nichole Anderson.

Mini Mag

Mrs. Kurtz's Graph Board

Right: Students in one of Mrs. Kurtz's classes, Eric Butteris, Sean Stein, and Adam Fisel, had a different goal than her other classes, coloring the graph board.



National Merit Commended Scholar

Who: Kerstin Palm

How: Kerstin took the PSAT test in 10th grade and was notified in her senior year that she was nationally commended.

When: Kerstin was notified in early October.

What Kerstin Won: A

scholarship and plaque of congratulations with her name and Principal Fredericksen's name on it.

Quote: "Yeah, I'm a smart kid." She said with a sarcastic grin on her face.

September 11th Remembered

One year ago our country was devastated by the attack of September 11, 2001. On the anniversary, the students and staff of Waconia High School showed tribute to the victims of 9/11 by holding a moment of silence at the approximate time of the attack. They also remembered by a flag that was hung on the ladder of a fire truck that was parked outside of the school, and by holding a memorial service at City Square Park in Waconia. The anniversary of such a sad event will be remembered for years to come.



Above: Mr. Fredericksen and Kerstin Palm proudly display the commendation award.

Left: A flag flies at half mast on a fire truck outside the school on the one-year anniversary of 9-11.

The Annual Holiday Potluck



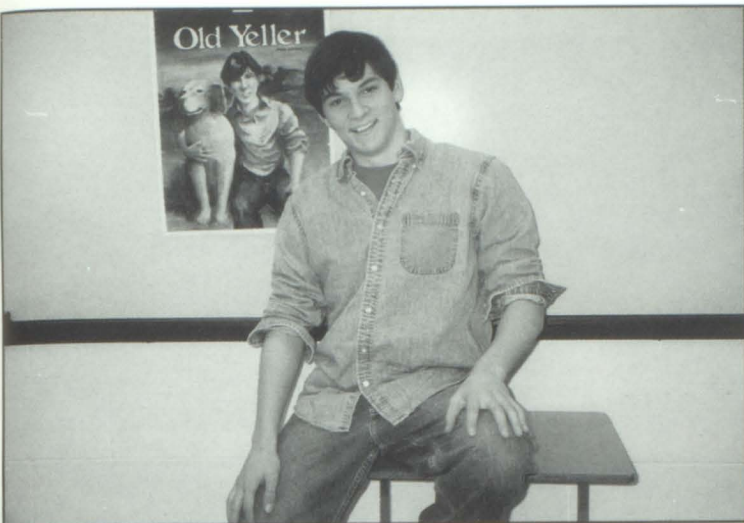
Columbia Tragedy Claims Lives

On the morning of February 1 the space shuttle Columbia burned up on its reentry flight, tragically killing the seven crew members aboard. The cause of the Columbia Tragedy was currently unknown, but there was some speculation that

the shuttle was damaged during the liftoff on January 16. In the days following the tragedy, search teams were set up to look for pieces of the wreckage and remains of the victims. For a while, any other shuttle missions have been delayed.

Left: Every year different lunch shifts set up potlucks usually held on the last day before winter break. Anyone who brings food can join the community table.

PATRICK TIMMERS BEARS A STRIKING RESEMBLANCE TO POSTER



Above: Patrick Timmers poses next to his likeness from the book *Old Yeller*.

School Lunch: Hot or Not?

In a school survey, a selection of students were asked some questions about school lunches. The number one favorite first lunch was Domino's pizza, followed by French toast sticks, pizza, grilled cheese, and chicken nuggets. The top three second line lunches were sub, potato, and fettuccine alfredo. Most students seemed to like fries, chicken strips, burgers and cheese sticks in the a la carte line. Some suggestions for lunches included cheese curds, bacon cheeseburgers and a

big salad bar. Some people wished for open lunch, or having Subway and McDonald's.

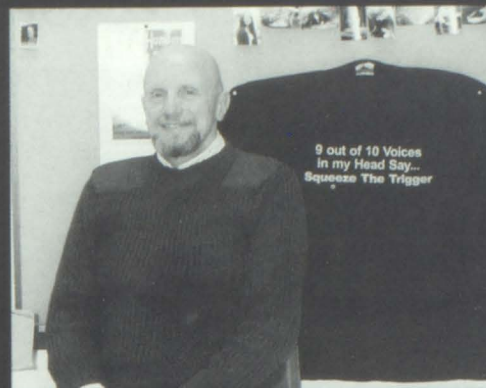
When asked if the vending machines should be turned on during lunch shifts, about 74% of the students surveyed said yes, 15% didn't care, and 11% thought they should be off. However, about 25% of the students surveyed do not even eat school lunch at all. 17% of students said they sometimes do, and the rest eat school lunch every day.

DARE to be Different!

D.A.R.E is an important program that students can take part in to teach younger children about Drug Abuse Resistance Education. Kids need to know that drug free is the way to be and that is

why Steph Capaul, Amanda Lemke, Michael Anderson and Dan Philp volunteer at St. Joe's. These students say that it means a lot to them to make a difference in childrens' lives.

Zender Retires After Many Years



// It's been a good career. Teaching is a very honorable occupation. //

Left: Mr. Zender has taught for 26 years in Waconia in the social studies department.

Celebrity Rap

Eminem is back at it, trash talking Christina, who according to her single "Dirty", has been spending time in a Puddle of Mud, who sang the hit "She * Hates Me", which is what Chris Judd has been singing since J Lo divorced him for, sexiest man alive Ben Affleck, the two reportedly love to sing "Bonnie and Clyde" written by Jay-Z, who is currently dating Beyonce, who is undoubtedly jealous of Kelly Rowland's solo success, she and Nelly faced no "Dilemma" while accepting a Grammy, and speaking of Grammy we

"Don't Know Why" Norah Jones swept the ceremony; No Doubt things got "Complicated" for Avril who was itching to get up on the stage, which was occupied by the talented Gwen Who was "Just Married" which is the title to the hot comedy starring Ashton Kutcher and Brittany Murphy, she is the one who starred with Eminem in 8-mile and if I had more time that is how long this report on the hottest celebrities of 2002-2003 would be-man "It's Hot in Herre."



Above: Michael Anderson, Amanda Lemke, Steph Capaul, and Dan Philp with the D.A.R.E. van.

To the Graduates with Love



Evan Abrahamson

A man cannot do what he thinks is beyond him. (Nothing else can be said without further embarrassment!)

We love you to the moon and back.

Mom and Dad



Michael Anderson

Your accomplishments, your diligence, your fun-loving spirit, and most importantly, your sensitivity and caring about others are just a few of the attributes that make us very proud to call you our son.

Mom and Dad



Ashley Artmann

We love you and are very proud of you. Stand up for what you believe. There isn't anything in life you can't do. We will always be there for you.

Love Mom and Dad



Makenzie Bakken

God entrusted you into my care on December 29, 1984. You've spent the past 18 years learning, growing, and experiencing life. You have been a sweet and tender spirited girl and I've been blessed to be your cheerleader, confidant, friend and mother. You have enriched my life so much. God bless you in all you do.

Mom



Carly Rae Brown

You've come a long way since this picture! Keep reaching and smiling. I am so proud of you as a person, and the way you have used your talents and abilities. Enjoy college, and stay sweet. I love you and wish you life's best!

Love, Mom



Melanie Butler

We've enjoyed watching you grow, and are very proud of everything you have accomplished. Keep striving to learn everyday and continue to work hard toward your goals. Be proud of who you are and enjoy all life has to bring.

Love, Mom and Dad



Stephanie

Look at you - Stephanie. You were so cute when you were three. I've watched you learn and grow. The joy you've brought you'll never know. Your high school years have flown by. You've left the nest - It's time to fly!

Love you!! MOM



Erica Christenson

Ric - You are everything we have ever hoped for in a daughter. You have filled our lives with happiness and have made us very proud. May you always be aware of the gifts God has given you and may he bless you always in your journey through life.

Love, Mom and Dad



Anna Corson

You have brought us much joy over the years (and a few heartaches). Always keep your sensitive and caring nature with you. May you continue to challenge life, shoot for the stars, and expect great things from life!

We love you.
Mom and Dad



Cassie DeBoer

Your special grin and the twinkle in your eyes has lit up our lives. We are so proud of you.

Love,

Mom and Dad



Congratulations, Nicole!

We are so proud of you. You've come so far, but we know the future holds great things for you.

Love,

Mom and Dad



Emily Hennen Eder

"A good traveler has no fixed plans and is not intent upon arriving. A good artist lets her intuition lead her wherever it wants." - Lao-Tzu

Peace, love and joy on the journey,
Marcia, Mike, and Kate



Jenny

Hats off to you on your graduation. Remember, dreams are always achievable. We are very proud of you and wish you much success in your future. We love you very much.

Mom and Dad



Jennifer Evans aka: Nenny

We have enjoyed every hour of every day watching you grow into a very caring special young lady. You will succeed in whatever direction life takes you. Keep smiling and continue to pursue your dreams. Remember: You will always be our little girl...

Love, Mom and Dad



Andrew

Graduation reminds us of how quickly time moves. Our hope for you is to be happy and stay forever young.

Love,

Mom and Dad



Ellie

Helping you grow from toddler to teen created many memorable moments that we will treasure forever. We are so very proud of you.

Love,

Mom and Dad



Jenny Grier

Many things we hope you remember, every January through December. Here's one borrowed from Dr. Seuss. Please don't let it loose!

"You have brains in your head.
You have feet in your shoes.
You can steer yourself
Any direction you choose."
Love, Mom and Dad



Congratulations, Megan

May your journey be smooth, may your heart always remain soft, and may you be blessed richly as you become who you were created to be. We love you very much and are so proud of you!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Ashley Hagman

We have watched you grow, accomplish so much, and become someone we are so very proud of.

Always shine that smile, keep the twinkle in your eyes, and reach for all your stars.

Love you always,
Mom, Dad, Carrie & Steven



Maggie Hilliard

There is always one moment in childhood when the door opens and lets the future in. That moment is now. Embrace it! Soar after your dreams, holding fast to love, to family.

Congratulations, Honey.
Love,
Mom and Dad

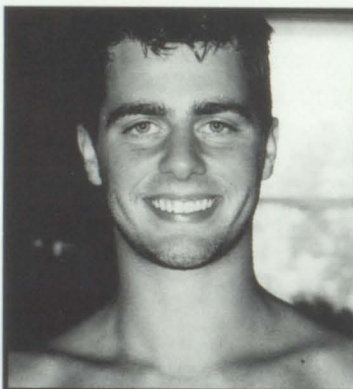


Matt Jensen

Your winning smile and charming ways have always given us great joy. Even more the sincere decency you consistently extend to others is a God-given gift.

Thanks for touching your parents so profoundly.

Love to you,
Mom and Dad



Evan Johnson

Spirited soul, Tender heart. You fill our home with joy. Aim high, beamish boy! Hmmm... Who is John Galt anyway? Be smart, Evie, be kind. Enjoy the adventure. We are very proud of you!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Tiffany Johnston

What a big step it seemed then. We love and support you on your next steps in education and the walk of life.

Love you,
Mom and Dad



Anna Jonas

Ever since you came out feet first, you have had a mind of your own. We love you just the way you are.

Mom and Dad



John Keefe

Your talents are many.
Your opportunities are
unlimited.
Dream big and live happy
one day at a time.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Steven Kjergaard

We are proud of you
and what you have
accomplished. Thanks for
being you!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Nathan Koch

We are very proud of all
your accomplishments over
the years. We know you will
continue to fulfill your goals
with all your determination.
We wish you the very best!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Sara



Nate Laulainen

We praise God for your
life, for your achievements,
and for the fine young man
you have become. Thank
you for all the joy you have
given us. Continue to follow
Him in all you do.

Love you lots!
Mom and Dad



Kayla (Kay Kay) Menth

You've brought so much
joy to our lives and now as
you start your journey, we'll
always be there watching,
supporting, and loving you.
We're very proud of you and
all your accomplishments.
There is nothing you can't
do!

Love,
Mom, Dad, and Cody



Jena Niesen

You have brightened our
lives so much. The joy of
watching you grow into the
beautiful person you are!
We are so proud of you!
Keep smiling and
remember the special place
in our hearts wherever you
are.

Love Always,
Mom and Dad



Jackie Olson

Hello kindergartner! Our
little Jackaroo! How did you
grow up so fast?! And hasn't
it been grand? From Prairie
Fire Theater to ballgames, to
musicals and Show Choir, we
watched with pride and joy
in our hearts! We love you
so much! Congratulations!

Mom and Dad



Dan Philp

"Imagination is more
important than knowledge."
Albert Einstein

Never stop imagining.

Love ya,
Mom and Dad



Amber Rogney

May the Lord be with you down every road you walk. Always know you are loved and life's possibilities are endless. Believe in yourself. You have grown to be a beautiful person.

All my love,
Mom



Cassandra Schaffer

Once a little babe in our arms, we've watched you grow into a beautiful young lady. We're proud of who you are. We love to see you shine. You're the light of our lives. Keep on "cheering" in life. Follow your dreams. We love you forever.

Mom and Dad



Laura Leigh

We are so proud of you!

"Believe in your dreams and they will come true."

We love you!
Mom and Dad



Jenna Ann Taylor

As you begin your new journey, always remember:

- * be everything that you can be
- * little things are the special things
- * we all have to help care for each other
- * you always have someone to talk to and someone that will listen.

Have the courage to follow your passion.

All our love, Mom and Dad



Angie Massengale

May you always have faith to believe in yourself--to continue each journey you start, to face each new pathway determined to travel with courage and hope in your heart...May you always have faith in yourself to believe in the dreams that are special to you, in your courage to follow wherever they lead..in your power to make them come true.

Mom and Dad



Melissa Tetreault

You're at a point in your life where the choices you make determine the rest of your life. Choose carefully! Be positive and kind to others, but most of all-be happy!

Always remember, we love you!

Mom and Dad



Emily Van Kirk

It has been fun watching you grow. Your high school years have been special. Keep smiling! We are so proud of you!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Micah Young

Whatever road you choose,
I'm right behind you win or lose.
And in my heart you'll always stay, "Forever Young."

Love you forever,
Mom



Janelle Zimmerman

"...I saw...a host, of golden daffodils;
They flash upon that inward eye which is the bliss of solitude;
And then my heart with pleasure fills, and dances with the daffodils."

What a joy it has been to watch that dance!

Love,
Mom and Dad



Katie Zancig

We're proud of the beautiful, young woman you've grown into. You've kept us on our toes! When you've seen something puzzling, you've asked, "Why?" Keep asking "Why?" We know you'll have fun and success in whatever you do.

All our love,
Mom, Dad, Cori, and Crystal

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What we truly and earnestly aspire to be, that in some sense we are. The mere aspiration, by changing the frame of mind, for the moment realizes itself.

— Anna Jameson

Left: Students enjoy a few minutes of down time at morning break.

Right: WHS pep band excites the crowd at a basketball game.

*We never know how high we are
Till we are called to rise;
And then, if we are true to plan,
Our stature touch the skies.*

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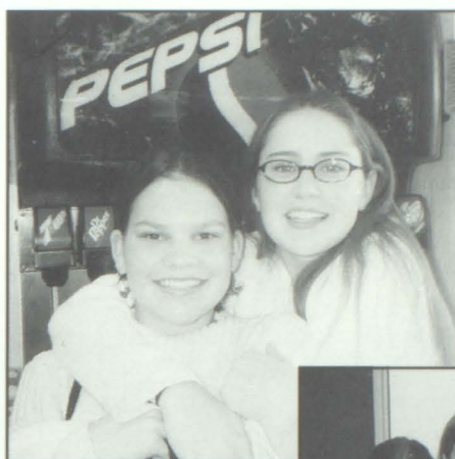


Left: Students enjoy lunch on an FCCLA trip.

Make it a rule of life never to regret and never look back. We all live in suspense, from day to day, from hour to hour; in other words, we are the hero of our own story.

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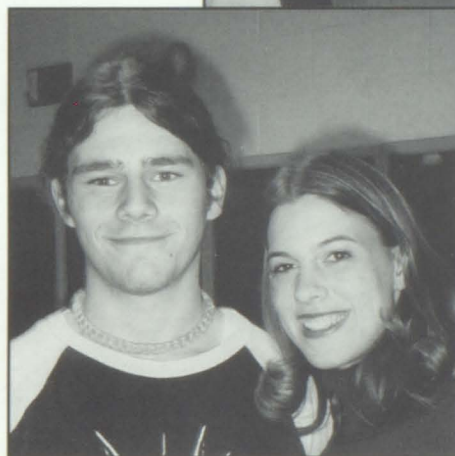
Through developing our own individual identities as well as how we fit into the bigger picture, we learn much more than just the facts in high school.



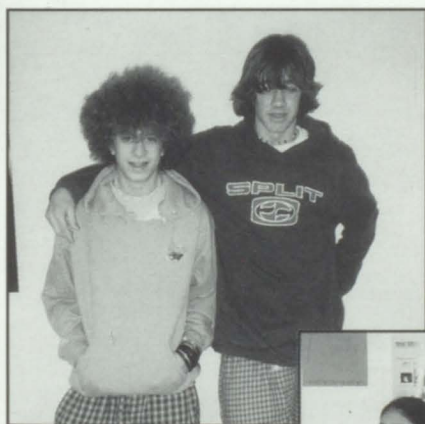
Left: Mallory O'Neil and Megan Fredericksen hug.



Above: Friends Ashley Hagman, Stephanie Capaul, and Maggie Hilliard gather in the hallway.



Above: Austin Perbix and Franny Gustafson relax in the hallway.



Above: Landon Rochat-Boeser and Jeff Hayes.

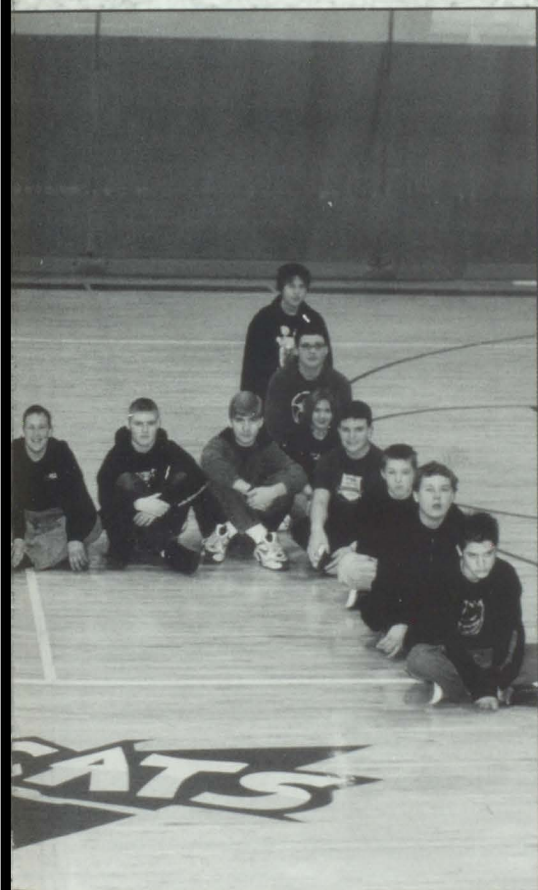


Left: Amanda Janzen, Sara Kelzer, and Louise Klingelhutz show school spirit on Hawaiian Day.

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Above: Emily Eder, Mrs. Degener, and Katie Zancig bend over backwards for yearbook.

Colophon

This year's yearbook got an early start before the school year even began. Editors were sent to Collegeville, Minnesota for three days of seminars on photography, layout, and theme. This was a great jump start for the yearbook, especially since it was our first year getting the book out in the spring. The grueling days of boredom finally proved worth while when this year's theme was decided: "I am." The goal of this theme was to try to show the identity of students at Waconia High School, and how we are prepared as individuals to set out into the "real world." After this theme was chosen, our cover was designed in Silver Lithocote Laminate with two printed colors: Silver and black. The book size is 8 1/2 x 11, with 136 pages. It was published by Taylor Publishing Company of Dallas, Texas, and was designed on Elite Vision Software. Body copy is 10 point Athena, and captions are 8 point Athena. Headlines were 48 point Muse Script, and subheads were 18 point Rinna Italic. There were 600 yearbooks printed and sold for \$46 each. The Taylor sales representative was Anne Mueller, and the yearbook advisor was Heidi Degener.

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