



## 1996-1997









NO CAPTION NEEDED


Bobby I don't want to trade!



If they only really knew what was in this Root Beer.

"LAYLA?!"



Adam Annegers


Bryan Cole


Ryan Bigger


Steven Bowman


Patrick Fulton

Sara Evans


Paul Fulton


Kevin Gibb


Breanne Gearhart


Eric Gipe


Best Dressed: Leslie Symmonds \& Bryan Cole


Class Flirts: Chase Gibb \& Sara Evans


Biggest Procrastinators: Ryan Bigger \& Sara McCann


Most Friendly: Amanda Hobby \& Nick White

## Personalities



Best Eyes: Trish Renken \& Kevin Sullivan

## With The

## Seniars!



Biggest Mooch: Jana Schaley \& Josh Smith


Most Athletic: Valerie Burg \& Jared Knutstrom


Best Smile: Breanne Gearhart \& Adam Annegers


Michael Hubler


Brenda Norris


Jared Jacobs


Jared Knutstrom


Trish Renken


Patrick Johnson


Jana Schaley


Angela Scott


Kevin Sullivan


Jeremy Smith


Melissa Spiker


Leslie Symmonds


Jennifer Wood





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Back row:(from left)Mike Bundy, Richard Clifton, Ed Kane, Stan Fisher Front row: Monty Waddell, John Keane, Nancy Davis

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Carrie Covert James Crain Julie Dehner Lacey DeJaynes Nicole Ebert

Charlie Ford Jason Ford Jessie Gipe Holly Gullberg Ivory Heitmeier

Sarah Hicks Laura Hobby Robert Isaacson Lindsey Kane Tiffany Kaup


Identical cousins?
 of $200^{\circ}$


Derf!!



Freshman in the Senior Hall?


What a bunch of " teacher's pets."

Geof Lee
Missy Lenz Michael Love Amanda Ludington Tim Magner

Michael McCollum Dena McIntyre Matt Morris Michael Overhake Erica Powless

Jacob Quigley Nicole Roark Matt Rodeffer Janis Rowe Corey Scott

Chad Skees Elizabeth Smith Clinton Stimpson Jeff Tapscott Travis Vancil

Brandy Adams Alicia Annegers Renee Avery Brandi Bechtel James Bell
Cody Bigger
Aaron Billings Amanda Caldwell Andrea Clifton Jaime Cortelyou
Eric Crawford Amanda Donlan James Donlan Sara Doran Felicia Ebert

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Jon Keimig Matthew Link Michelle Link

Mike Link
J.D. Lyon

Michael Mayer Josh Muhleman Kim Reighard T.J. Stevenson Jenny Stimpson


We didn't do it! HONEST!!!
Jade Taylor Dustin Wood Not Pictured: Tracy Ford Tom Harmon Adam McDaneld Brian Strange Monica Cadina




Josh and J.D. hard at work like usual!

J.D., didn't your mom ever tell you to play nice?



What do you think Mr. Ockert, up or down?


You woke me up for what?


## CLASS OFFICERS



Above-Senior class officers top left to bottom right, Amy Muhleman, Valerie Burg, Sara McCann, and Nicholas White.

Right-Junior class officers top left to bottom right, Megan Barber, Jessica Smith, Amanda Lenz, and Megan Gullberg.


Above-Sophomore class officers top left to bottom right, Jade Taylor, Sara Doran, Falicia Ebert, and Michelle Link.

Right-Freshmen class officers top left to bottom right, Erica Powless, Nicole Roark, Sharon Barber, and Sarah Hicks.



# Teann Withetande Chanllemose 

## Junior Varsity Volleyball



Back L to R: Erica Powless, Nicole Roark, Coach Mary Strachan, Missy Lenz, \& Sarah Hicks. Middle L to R: Holly Gullberg, Andrea Clifton, Jaime Cortelyou, Felicia Ebert, Alicia Annegers, Sara Doran, Manager Darci Renken, Nicole Ebert, \& Channon Corzatt. Front L to R: Renee Avery, Jade Taylor, \& Michelle Link.

The Junior Varsity Volleyball Team had an excellent year during the 1996 season. The young team coached by Mrs. Mary Strachan had a record of 15 wins and 8 losses for the season. The team's travel to victory was lead by eight seasoned second year players. The girls played and worked hard together finishing with a successful season. The team's perfomance can be credited to hard work and talent presented by the players. The fans will welcome this team back again next year with a few loses of players and lots of new additions. Congratulations!


Above; Players Nicole Roark, Alicia Annegers, Felicia Ebert , \& Jade Taylor congratulate Sarah Hicks on an ace serve.

## SCOREBOARD

 Monmouth W 15-7;15-3 Sherrard W 15-4;15-6 Northwestern W 15-2;15-7 Abingdon W 15-7:11-15;15-4 Dallas City L 13-15;13-15 Avon W 15-10;10-15;15-6 Colchester Tournament Southeastern W 15-2;15-2 Industry W 15-8;15-13 Jacksonville L 0-15;10-15 Colchester L 9-15;8-15 Macomb L 11-15;8-15 Macomb Tournament Macomb W 16-14;15-13 Rock Island L 10-15;14-16 Glenwood L 3-15:10-15 La Harpe W 15-4;15-5 Galesburg L 8-15;12-15 Yorkwood W 15-0;15-1 Colchester L 0-15;8-15 Valley W 15-0;15-6 Warren W 15-2;16-14 Bushnell W 15-8;15-11 Alexis W 15-11;15-6 Union W 11-15;15-1;15-9
# Belles Set To Shine 

## SCOREBOARD

Monmouth W 2-15;15-13;15-1
Sherrard W 8-15;15-5;15-13
Northwestern W 15-0;15-4
Abingdon W 15-7;15-4
Dallas City W 15-1;15-3
Avon W 15-12;15-4
Aledo Tournament
Cambridge W 15-2; 15-0
Williamstield W 15-3;15-2
Dunlap W 15-8;15-5
Roseville W 15-5;15-7
Macomb Tournament
Brownstown W 15-6;16-14
Rock Island W 13-15; 15-10;15-8
Washington L 12-15;11-15
Greyville W 15-9;17-19;15-8
Chatham-Glenwood W 15-2;5-15; 15-11
La Harpe W 15-13;18-16

## Moline Tournament

Ottawa W 15-9; 15-12
Clinton W 5-15;15-1;15-13
Savanna W 15-0;15-1
Daveport West W 10-15;2-15; 17-15
Clinton L 6-15:11-15
Galesburg W 15-1;12-15;15-6
Yorkwood W 15-2;15-10
Colchester L 5-15;10-15
Valley W 15-1; 15-0
Warren W 15-6;15-5
Bushnell W 15-2;15-12
Union W 7-15;15-9;15-9
Alexis W 15-2;15-3

## Regionals

Northwestern W 15-7;15-4
La Harpe W 15-3;15-9

## Sectionals

Macomb W 15-10;15-4
Colchester L 7-15;15-9;6-15


## Varsity Volleyball



Back L to R: Megan Barber, Jaimee Fisher, Jessica Smith, Gena Thomas, \& Coach Kris Lafary. Middle L to R: Audra Brookhart, Manager Darci Renken, \& Amanda Lenz. Front L to R: Valerie Burg, Jana Schaley, Trish Renken, \& Leslie Symmonds.


Above: Coach Mary Strachan and Coach Kris Lafary toss the Belles a few balls with help from Manager JoHanna Livermore.

Left: Seniors Leslie Symmonds and Trish Renken show off their verticals.

The Varsity Volleyball team had a magnificent 1996-1997 season. The Belles came out strong and continued to overcome their opponents throughout the season. The Belles coached by Mrs. Kris Lafary ended the season with an incredible record of 29 wins and 3 losses. Four spectacular seniors led the team with experience, talent, and poise to the second round of Sectionals where the Belles were defeated by Colchester. The girls have played together for most of their careers and this year was no different in performance or attitudes. This team once again were Regional Champions not to mention all of the other tournaments they entered and won. Congratulations girls on a great season and thanks for a great season of volleyball!

## Senior Telles

## Tolleyball

The Senior Belles had an excellent season this year leading their team to Bi- County Conference and Regional Championship. Coach Lafary noted the seniors on their hard work to accomplish their goals.

All four seniors recieved Bi-County honors and Valerie Burg recieved Monmouth Review Atlas Player of the Year honors.

The Seniors all agree that this season was the most fun and gratifying. The one word to sum up the year would be "INTENSE!!""


Jana uses her precision for the perfect set.


I can't hold this pose forever!!


Grub follows through for the kill!!


Coach Lafary would be proud of this intense form.


Seniors J.Schaley, T.Renken, L.Symmonds, V. Burg


Bump, Set, Spike, Score


Row 1 (L-R) Jeremy Yeakey, Jared Jacobs, Ron Ludington, Kevin Gibb,Chase Gibb, Ryan Bigger, Bryan Cole, Jared Knutstrom, Nick White, Pat Johnson. Row 2 (L-R) Coach Mark Miller, James Donlan, Josh Smith, Tom Scott, Seth Hicks, Josh Quigley, Shane Logan, Chris Burgdorf, Dan Oliver. Row 3 (L-R) Jason Ford, Mike Link, Dustin Wood, Josh Muhleman, J.D. Lyon, Eric Crawford, Caleb Hicks, Jon Keimig, Matt Morris, Matt Rodeffer. Row 4 (L-R) Amanda Ludington, Robert Isaacson, T.J. Stevenson, Chad Skees, Aaron Brookhart, Charlie Ford, Tim Magner, Karl Gullberg, Daniel Avery. Row 5 (L-R) James Crain, Jacob Walter, Cory Scott, Eric Gipe, Jeremy Smith, Clinton Stimpson, Garrett Cargill, Jeff Tapscott, Travis Vancil.

Starting off the season 2-0 with two commanding victories over Astoria-V.I.T. and Warsaw, the Rebels looked to be tough coming into the Bi-County Conference games. The next game plagued the Rebel Football team with injuries, which happened to be some key players on the team, hurting the whole team. Never regaining strength from the loss of team mates to injury, the Rebels couldn't get back on track for the rest of the season. Trying hard the J.V. Rebels and the Juniors show signs of a great team, and look forward to next year with second year Coach, Mark Miller.

## CAPTAINS

ADAM ANNEGERS CHASE GIBB KEVIN GIBB JARED KNUTSTROM


## 1996 SENIORS

Front Row(L-R) \#18 Jared Jacobs, \#41 Bryan Cole, \#49 Ron Ludington, \#45 Jeremy Yeakey, \#55 Pat Johnson. Second Row (L-R) \#87 Josh Smith, \#74 Jeremy Smith, \#22 Kevin Gibb, \#79 Eric Gipe. Back Row (L-R) \#94 Nick White, \#85 Seth Hicks, \#82 Ryan Bigger, \#14 Jared Knutstrom, \#46 Chase Gibb

## Congrandulitions

## Alion



(Upper left): Senior Football Players (Upper right): \#14 Quarterback Jared Knutstrom calls the audible "Goose 88," and looks for Tight End Nick White. (Middle Left): Bryan Cole on the tackle with help coming from Senior team mates Ron Ludington and Jared Knutstrom. (Middle Right): Elementary makes some football art as a tribute to the Seniors for the celebration of Senior Night. (Right): The Rebels display fine tackling skills against La Harpe-Northwestern.

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This Rebel gets the "Falling" Heisman Award!


Uh guys, a little help PLEASE!


What is wrong with my water, why won't anybody ever take my water?


I'm melting, l'm melting!


## Varsity

Front Row (L-R): Jade Taylor, Felicia Ebert, Michelle Link Back Row (L-R): Missy Lenz, Alicia Annegers, ChannonCorzatt

## Jr. <br> Varsity

Floor: Sara McCann Middle (L-R): Amanda Lenz, Amy Muhleman, Jana Schaley, Audra Brookhart Back: Jessica Smith


Who put the crazy glue in the pom pons?



Sara \& Jana cheering or a night at the opera!?!

# PomPon (spurit \& style) 



We're your friendly neighbors!!!


Back: (from left) Nicole Roark, Elizabeth Smith, Erica


Sara Evans

Powless, Sarah Hicks, Jaime Cortelyou, Sara Carlsen, Megan Barber, Sharon Barber, Amy Cole, Amanda Muhleman, Jenny Isaacson, Dana Day, Sara Evans, and Gena Thomas


Hey Gena, do you think anyone is watching?

# We've got spirit, yes we do.... 



Stop looking at me.


Bless you!


Please, oh please don't let Kevin get

okay.


There's Sleepy and Happy. Where are the rest of the dwarves?

# Southern <br> <br> High's <br> <br> High's <br> <br> Halls 

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What's the grin for Mr. Wetterling?!


Characters in the sophomore hall!


Freshmen hard at work!


Jaime, what have you been doing?!


Who took my banana?


Why are we always the ones that have to do all of the work?


# Filled With Animation 



Say CHEESE! Homecoming candidates for 1996-97


Do the seniors ever go to class?


My work is never done!!


What is that smell?!!


Vote Cole for President


Doesn't she have the coolest clothes, Audra?



Don't ask why I can't keep my balance.


There's no place like home.



FIRE?!! What fire?


I hate it when I find myself in this position.


I'm never going to let my mom set me up again.


Makeout Corner!!!


If she doesn't stop talking to my boyfriend I'm really going to get upset.


This telepathy isn't working.
He's never going to ask me to dance.


Why won't anyone dance with me?


Not again. I've already danced with you once Jared.


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1996 Homecoming Court


Right-Attendants (L-R): Freshmen:
Erica Powless \&
Robert Isaacson
Sophomores:
Jaime Cortelyou\&
Caleb Hicks
Juniors:
Nick Fittante \&
Jenny Isaacson

(L-R): Carlee Hanger, Valerie Burg, Ryan Bigger, \& John Livermore



Candidates Jana Schaley \& Adam Annegers


Candidates Kevin Gibb \& Sara Evans

## THE FALL PLAY



The fall play this year brought out many people, some of them to be actors and many more of them to be spectators. Some of our Southern students dressed up, in this play, and went on stage in front of other students, and people who just wanted to see a good play. The characters who were acted out in this play ranged from young to old with actors filling all positions. In this play the actors needed to show a wide range of emotions. Although it was hard for some of them others took to these fake emotions just as easily as they took to their new play personalities. I applaud all the fine actors who worked so hard in performing this play, thanks for the entertainment.


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Something's wrong with this picture. Ilook to be the coolest guy around, I guess it's because I'm the only guy around.


We've decided instead off being late for school everyday we are just moving in.



Oh man, I broke a nail! I knew I shouldn't have rode this thing


How are we suppose to work these things again?


Getting Up Close \& Personal This Winter At The Pop Machine


Nick White has a lot of reading to catch up on this winter.


Coach Blender on basketball: "Dustin, I would show you exactly how I want you to play if it wasn't for this bad knee."


This Christmas Santa (a.k.a. Student Council President Bryan Cole) visited the elementary with his elf Sarah Hicks.

## J.V. Girls Basketball

The Junior Varsity Belles were led this year by second year coach Mary Kay Strachan. The Belles won two important games this year, beating the Warsaw Wildcats and the Southeastern Suns, both well known for their excellent basketball teams. Their only two losses came to the Dallas City Bulldogs and the La Harpe Lady Eagles. The Belles went on to defeat the Eagles in their second match-up of the season. Congratulations girls on a fine season and we look forward to watching all of you on the varsity or junior varsity level next year


Take a look at Freshman Julie Dehner's great form.


Front: Michelle Link, Sara Doran, Alicia Annegers, Renee Avery, and Jaime Cortelyou. Back: Sarah Hicks, Lacey DeJaynes, Nicole Roark Ivory Heitmeier, Amanda Ludington, Julie Dehner, Lindsey Kane and Coach Strachan.


Take a look at the Belles after a time out with Manager Josh Smith.


Sophomore Michelle Link looks for Alicia Annegers behind her.


Freshman Lacey DeJaynes is down and ready on defense.

Varsity Girls Basketball


Front: Audra Brookhart, Trish Renken, Valerie Burg, Leslie Symmonds, Jana Schaley and Jenny Ingles. Back: Coach Strachan, Renee Avery, Coach Bresnahan, Sara Doran, Julie Dehner, Alicia Annegers, Nicole Roark, Meagan Gullberg, and Jaimee Fisher.

The Southern Belles did well this season, losing only two games all year long. They won both the Macomb Tournament and The Bi-County Tournament.

This year's conference champs went on to win their Regional, but lost to Alleman in the Sectional at Orion. Senior Valerie Burg made it to the State Tournament in the Country Companies three point shoot out.

SHS Belle Coach Tim Bresnahan was chosen as the Review Atlas Coach of the Year.

Senior Valerie Burg was chosen as the Review Atlas Player of the Year for a record third straight year.

All five starters, Seniors Valerie Burg, Trish Renken, Leslie Symmonds, Jana Schaley, and Junior Audra Brookhart, were named parts of the All-Conference teams.


Senior Trish Renken shows off her style and grace on the basketball court.


Junior Audra Brookhart can get things done even with her eyes closed.


Senior Leslie Symmonds puts one up for two while Junior Meagan Gullberg analyzes the precise angle at which the rebound will fall.

## Scoreboard

Union ..... 65-12
Southeastern ..... 62-40
Rushville ..... 53-40
Macomb ..... 51-50
Dallas City ..... 36-31
La Harpe ..... 48-23
Warren ..... 87-13
Abingdon ..... 67-43
Dallas City ..... 61-40
Yorkwood ..... 55-22
Alexis ..... 72-49
Warren ..... 66-20
Roseville ..... 46-13
Warsaw ..... 44-54
La Harpe ..... 61-39
Union ..... 93-16
Yorkwood ..... 72-10 ..... 77-22
Warren
Warren
Northwestern ..... 82-31
Northwestern ..... 31-23 ..... 56-42
Regional Games
Yorkwood ..... 75-37
Alexis ..... 75-47
Sectional GameAlleman49-59

## Senior Belles Basketball



Top Left: Jana, Trish, Leslie, and Valerie on Senior Night. Top Right: Symmonds deftly elludes a Panther. Bottom left: Renken shoots for two with teammate Audra Brookhart looking on. Bọttom Middle: Burg adds to her career high score record. Bottom Right: Schaley works some Southern defense on the Lady Eagles.

Trish Renken, Valerie Bura, Leslie Symmonds, and Jana Schaley


## Another Super Southern Season



Going up?


Sorry I got in your way!?


Audra, what ARE you doing?


Look at that!!


Is it the hokey pokey or the bunny hop?


Will somebody please get open?


Where's the ball, Ivory?


Where did everbody go?

## Southern JV Boys Basketball



Matt I'm open throw me the ball.


Kootchie kootchie coo.

Warsaw 70-56 Dallas City 42-38 Bushnell 43-50 Yorkwood 53-56 Abington 68-47 Alexis 44-41 Roseville 49-37 Carthage 49-52 Macomb 65-28 LaHarpe 59-45 Bushnell 64-58 Union 62-42 Yorkwood 57-42 Avon 40-53
Northwestern 59-61 Northwestern 58-44 Valley 40-53 Dallas City 47-42 Warren 50-46 LaHarpe 49-52 Union 46-62

The Southern High School J.V. Boys Basketball team built for the future. Coach Cole got the team working together for the season. Coach Cole said,"They were a young team and improved quickly." We are looking forward to all of you playing next year. Good job for this season.


George, George, George, of the Jungle.


Front: Managers Ben Jacob and Kyle Wood, Jason Ford, Travis Vancil, Cody Bigger, Aaron Brookhart, Corey Scott, Geof Lee Back: Coach Jim Cole, Clinton Stimpson Dustin Wood, J.D. Lyon, Matt Morris, Chad Skees, Matt Rodeffer, Eric Crawford, Manager Jerry Morris.

# Southern BoysVarsity <br> <br> Basketball 

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## Scores

Warsaw 65-89
Dallas City 40-57
Bushnell 54-48
Rowva 55-44
Alexis 53-48
Westmer 56-48
Yorkwood 37-49
Abington 58-49
Alexis 38-53
Roseville 50-32 LaHarpe 57-44 Roesville 41-27 Yorkwood 57-64 Alexis 53-52 Union 49-71
Yorkwood 45-56
Avon 46-48
Northwestern 52-64 Northwestern 53-54 Valley 50-39 Dallas City 45-51 Warren 38-43 LaHarpe 51-46 Union 50-75
Roseville 56-51
Monmouth 39-73


Come on somebody get open

The varsity boys were 11-15 on the season. The boys played hard and fought through many diffficult times. Three cancellations and injures played a big part in the finish to the season. Highlights were placed Third in Bi-County Tournament and First at the Roseville Holiday Tournament. All Conference players were Kevin Gibb and Jared Knutstrom, Jared also recieved Review Atlas All Area and WMOI honors.


Give me the ball!


Lets take it to the hole


Back row: Coach Jay Blender, Adam Annegers, Ben Torrance, Kevin Sullivan, Seth Hicks, Jared Knutstrom, Chase Gibb, Front row: Kyle Wood Manager, Nick White, Dustin Wood, Chris Brugdorf, Kevin Gibb, Bryan Cole, Ben Jacob, Jerry Morris.



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Coach with another special play.

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Hey follow me guys! I'll lead you right to the hoop.



How come I always get here right when


Don't strain yourself to much Chase.

# Basketball Cheerleading 

 Varsity Jr. Varsity

L to R: Amanda Lenz, Jessica Smith, Jana Schaley, Sara McCann, Amy Muhleman, and Audra Brookhart.

L to R: Amy Muhleman, Jana Schaley, and Sara McCann.


Above L to R: Felicia Ebert, Jade Taylor, Melissa Lenz, Michelle Link, and Channon Corzatt. Not pictured: Alicia Annegers

 in a pyramid during a floor cheer.

Left: The varsity squad keeps
the spirit high during a game.

## BASKETBALL POM PON SQUAD 1996-97



Above Back L to R: Dana Day, Nicole Roark, Sara Evans, Sara Carlsen, \& Erica Powless. Middle L to R: Elizabeth Smith \& Jennifer Isaacson. Front L to R: Jaime Cortelyou, Sarah Hicks, Megan Barber, Amanda Muhleman, Gena Thomas, Amy Cole, \& Sharon Barber.


Senior Pom Pon Girl Sara Evans


# 1997 Pom Pon 

## Queen and King Candidates




## "I've <br> Finally Found Someone"

Above Left: Freshman Candidates Missy Lenz and Matt Rodeffer.
Above Right: Freshman Candidates Erica
Powless and Aaron Brookhart.
Left: Senior Candidates and King \& Queen
Trish Renken and Bryan Cole
Below Left: Sophomore Candidates Alicia
Annegers and Dustin Wood.
Below Right: Junior Candidates Amy Cole and Nick Fittante.


## Snowball Dance



Here's King Trish Renken and Queen Bryan Cole?!?


Gosh Aaron, Erica must think you're a really funny dancer.


1997 Snowball Dance Court


Senior Pom-Pon Girl Sara Evans gives the dance two thumbs up!


Some people needed to get out more last winter.


Adam Annegers is having a great time but Jennifer Isaacson and Sara Carlsen look a little bored.


Hello Jared! It's nice to see one happy person in this picture.

## up Close In Winter



You want me to do what with it?!


Fly,fly away.


Let me help you with that, Coach.


Mrs. Copeland: resident zoo keeper


Oh, the horror!


So, boys, what evil do we have planned for today?


Practical applications of physics, my foot!


Above: "How much will it take to change my grade, Miss Lee?"

Left: The graceful Gena Thomas will now demonstrate her talent at rollerskating.

## Belles Softball



Front Row: Andrea Clifton, Jade Taylor, Michelle Link, and Nicole Roark. 2nd row: Alyssa Billings, Tracy Carnes, Laura Hobby, Amanda Lenz, Valerie Burg, and Bat Boy Gerry Roark. 3rd row: Stacey Bowman, Gena Thomas, Jessica Smith, Leslie Symmonds, Coach Clifton, and Coach Lee. Back row: Alicia Annegers, Audra Brookhart, and Trish Renken


The Belles are hard at work during a practice. Pictured are Michelle Link, Alicia Annegers, Gena Thomas, Jessica Smith and Laura Hobby.


Tracy Carnes, Amanda Lenz, and Audra Brookhart work out in the cold weather.

## Deserved Recognition



## For Jobs Well Done,

Scholarships, Achievement

# Senior Spotlight 

## BASEBALL \& SOFTBALL 1997



Baseball: Pat Johnson, Jared Knutstrom, and Kevin Gibb


Softball: Valerie Burg, Trish Renken, and Leslie Symmonds

## Southern Rebel

Baseball Scores Union 4-11
Dallas City 8-3
Rockridge 0-13
Rockridge 0-12
Williamsfield 9-4
Monmouth 6-10
Nauvoo 5-13
Nauvoo 6-7
Abington 11-4
Dallas City 8-6
Union 3-8
Warsaw 12-2
Williamsfield 17-2
Hamilton 7-8 Industry 0-11
CampPoint 3-6
DallasCity 9-3
Colchester 10-9
LH/NW 3-13
Union 7-4
Southeastern 6-8 LH/NW 3-12
Regionals
Dallas City 9-2
Mendon Unity 5-10


Oh please let me make it!

## Baseball

The Rebel baseball team had another good season. With a $11-13$ record. The team was young but, worked hard and pulled together. The team made it to regionals. We are all proud of you.



Front:: Cinton Stimpson, TravisVancil, Matt Rodeffer, Corey Scott, Josh Muhlenam, Geof Lee , 2nd Pat Johnson Shane LoganDan Oliver, James Crain, Matt Morris, Back: Coach Jim Cole, Jared Knustrom, Kevin, Gibb, Assit EricVancil.

## Southern Baseball Candids



BIG WIFFER.


Coach you're too old to play!


Mike, you're making me look bad.


I can't find the ball!


Remember-- if we win, we all get pizza!


Whether it's listening to a professional athlete give advice about life, learning how to lift weights properly, performing a Homecoming skit, or learning about safe driving, we learned valuable lessons outside of the classroom.


## Outside of Class

# Spring Musical 



Front row: J. Cortelyou, E. Smith, J. Smith, S. Bowman, L. Hobby, S. Bowman, and S. Doran. 2nd row: J. Taylor, A. Clifton, S. Evans and M. Gullberg. 3rd row: K. Gullberg, M. Rodeffer, and T. Magner. Back row: B. Cole, P. Fulton, J. Bell, S. McCann, A. Hobby, A. Muhleman, T. Renken, Mrs. Rodeffer, T. Scott, J. Smith, C. Corzatt, J. Graton, A. Annegers, A. Caldwell, and J. Gipe.

## The Cast

Ruth Taylor
Amy Muhleman Angie Wilberforce ...... Sara McCann Edith .......................... Jaime Cortelyou Judy Howard Hazel Merrill Eve Denton. Kitty Evans Professor Sullivan...... Mr. Wilcox Gladys Brooks Valerie Foster. Melba Nesbitt $\qquad$ Laura Hobby Elizabeth Smith Stacey Bowman Channon Corzatt Josh Smith Steve Bowman Jade Taylor Joe Kilroy $\qquad$
Fred O'Dwyer Matt Rod Carl Ryder.................. Tim Magner JackSmith .................. Karl Gullberg Elliott Martin ............... Pat Fulton Horace Lopez
Mrs. King
$\qquad$
$\qquad$ James Bell Hermione
$\qquad$ Meagan Gullberg June Forest Une Forrest................ Jessie Grafton Rona Hastings ........... Alicia Annegers Gretchen Randall....... Amanda Caldwell Military Policeman ..... Jeremy Smith Director: Mrs. Rodeffer
Student Director: Amanda Hobby Technicians: Bryan Cole, Trish Renken, Sara Doran, and Jessie Gipe.


Because they're SPIES!


Move Along Quickly Please!


We're jitterbugging fools.



The girls love it when I dance this way...l know it.


Amanda's work as St. Dir. isn't done until Amy's hair is just big enough.


The girls love it when I dance this way...l know it.


Hands over your head!


You're getting sleepy, sleepy, sleepy.

# Spring Candids 



Some seniors pitch in to help on Earth Day.


Larry Cook is coming at you, from Kansas?
Aaron, can I go for a ride on your motorcycle? Well, maybe not.


If it's Parking For Disabled Only, why is Amanda Lenz sitting there?!?

## April Snow

Makes Spring A No-Show


You expect me to study in this sunshine?


Somebody rescue me from this torture!


Mr. Ockert, the swinger.


Writing letters is better than studying.


# Survey Results 

Favorite Teacher
Overall Winner: Mr. Wetterling 2nd: Mr. Ockert (Ms. Lee tied Mr. Wetterling in Boy Votes)


Darn 2nd place.

## Best Lunch

Overall Winner: Chicken Nuggets
Girls Favorite:
Chicken
Nuggets
Boys Favorite:
Pizza


Oh no! Chili Dogs didn't win!

## Worst Lunch

Overall Winner: Sausage Patty (This might have had something to do with the fact that Sausage Patty was the lunch on the day of the survey) Another lunch that got a lot of votes:
Scalloped Potatoes.

## Favorite Music

Overall Winner: Alternative 2nd Place: Rock \& Roll


What kind of music do you like?

Is Paul Fulton Elvis? $70 \%$ of Southern High School believes that Paul Fulton is Elvis.


Yes, I am the KING!!
Which is better, Pepsi or Coke? Pepsi got 67 votes, while Coke only got 11 .

## Favorite Pizza Topping

 Overall Winner: Pepperoni 2nd Place: Canadian Bacon/Ham
## Favorite Sport

Overall Girl Winner: Volleyball Overall Boy Winner: Football Basketball was 2nd place in both cases.


Please let volleyball win.

For Girls: Who's Hotter, Tom Cruise or Scott Wolfe?
Tom Cruise won by a landslide.

## For Boys: Who's

 Hotter, Jenny McCarthy or Carman Electra?Carman Electra won by 3 votes.

## Favorite T.V. Show

Overall winner: E.R.

## Favorite Morning Radio Show

Overall Winner: Bob \& Tom

## What's the worst

 school rule?Girls thought the the worst school rule was the Bathroom Buddy System.
Boys answered a variety of different rules that they didn't like.
A majority of the Sophomore Girls didn't like the clothing policy.


I'm going to the bathroom with my buddy Channon.




Kevin Gibb knows he's good. You don't have to tell him.


Our Scholastic Bowl intellects are hard at work.


Mr. Geiser as soon as I figure out what I'm doing, give me an A and let me graduate!

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Back: Richard Wamsley, Patrick Fulton, Trish Renken. I eslie Symmonds, Bryan Cole, Kevin Gibb. Front: Amy Muhleman, Sara McCann, Amanda Hobby.

Look at all this blackmail material!



## Student Council

## Officers

Back: Kevin Gibb, Secretary Front: Bryan Cole, President, Josh Muhleman, Treasurer, and Paul Fulton, V. President.


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1st row: P.Fulton, K.Gibb, B.Cole,
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J.Lyon, and
J.Muhleman. 4th row:
A.Brookhart,
R.Isaacson, and
S.Bowman.

# Scholastic Bowl 



1st row: Bryan Cole, Amy Muhleman, Sara McCann, Megan Barber, Jessica Smith, Amanda Lenz, and Coach John Ockert. 2nd row: Sarah Hicks, Erica Powless, Sharon Barber, Missy Lenz, Nicole Roark and Geof Lee.

Our Scholastic Bowl team, coached by Mr. John Ockert, did well this season. They competed in various tournaments, including the BiCounty Tournament. They didn't win all of their matches, but both J.V. and Varsity competed well and answered some difficult questions throughout the year.

## S Club



1st row: S. Hicks, A. Annegers, N. White, R. Bigger, J. Knutstrom, P. Fulton, B. Cole, V. Burg, T. Renken, J. Schaley, L. Symmonds, S. Evans, and P. Johnson. 2nd row: J. Isaacson, J. Fisher, G. Thomas, A. Brookhart, J. Ingles, D. Day, A. Cole, J. Smith, A. Muhleman, S. McCann, K. Sullivan, J. Jacobs, and J. Yeakey. 3rd row: T. Scott, K. Gibb, J. Smith, Megan Barber, A. Lenz, C. Gibb, S. Doran, C. Keane, H. Gullberg, S. Hicks, R. Ludington. 4th row: D. Oliver, C. Burgdorf, S. Logan, J. Quigley, J. Crain, C. Stimpson, J. Ford, J. Keimig, K. Gullberg, J. Cortelyou, L. Hobby, N. Roark, and M. Lenz. 5th row: J. Donlan, C. Ford, M. Morris, J. Taylor, T. Stevenson, G. Cargill, A. Brookhart, M. Link, J. Muhleman, J. Tapscott, R. Isaacson, C. Corzatt, and T. Carnes. 6th row: J. Quigley, D. Avery, T. Vancil, F. Ebert, D. Wood, M. Link, C. Skees, C. Scott, J. Lyon, C. Hicks, E. Crawford, M. Rodeffer, and S. Barber. 7th row: C. Huss, A. Annegers, A. Clifton, E. Powless, N. Ebert, E. Smith, J. Smith, R. Avery, E. Gipe, J. Dehner, L. Kane, L. DeJaynes, S. Bowman, A. Ludington and I. Heitmeier.

# Ecology Club 



Front: Tim Magner, Matt Rodeffer, Amanda Hobby, Trish Renken, Bryan Cole, Kevin Gibb, Pat Jonhson, Angie Scott, Steve Bowman, Ryan Bigger, 2nd: Ms. Weyer, Sarah Hicks, Sara Evans, Jana Schaley, Valerie Burg, Chase Gibb, Sara Doran, Chris Burgdorf, Josh Smith, Amanda Caldwell, 3rd: Julie Dehner, Sharon Barber, Missy Lenz,Channon Corzatt, Lindsey Kane, Michelle Link, Renee Avery, Elizabeth Smith, Laura Hobby, Jaime Cortelyou, Tracy Carnes, Jessie Grafton, 4th: Nicole Roark, Megan Barber, Gena Thomas, Jessica Smith, Richard Wamsley, Jennifer Ingles, Andrea Clifton, Jade Taylor 5th: Audra Brookhart, Amanda Lenz, Alicia Annegers, Jenny VanArsdale, Amanda Donlan, Jenny Stimpson, Felicia Ebert, Mickie Huss, Adam Sutcliffe


Officers: President Alicia Annegers, Vice President Jenny VanArsdale, Secretary Jennifer Issacson, Treasurer Amy Cole

Front: Elizabeth Smith, Michelle Link, Renee Avery, 2nd: Dana Day, Amy Cole, Alicia Annegers, Jennifer Isaacson, Jenny VanArsdale, Jade Taylor, 3rd: Nicole Ebert, Andrea Clifton, Mrs. Starbuck


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## SAE



1st Row: C.Johnson, R.Ludington, K.Sullivan, J.Smith, A.Muhleman, S.McCann, B.Gearhart, and J.Smith. 2nd Row: B. Norris, P.Johnson, K.Gibb, J. Knutstrom, N.White, A.Hobby, T.Renken, S.Evans, V.Burg, J.Schaley, L.Symmonds, and A.Scott. 3rd Row: J.Fisher, M.Barber, J.Smith, G.Thomas, A.Lenz, A.Brookhart, J.Ingles, J.Isaacson, C.Gibb, R.Bigger, and J. Shinkle, Sponsor. 4th Row: J.Keimig, T.Stevenson, S.Doran, R.Avery, F.Ebert, J.Taylor, J.Cortelyou, A.Caldwell, M.Huss, and M.Rodeffer. 5th Row: K.Gullberg, M.Link, B.Adams, A.Clifton, M.Link, A.Annegers, K.Reighard, A.Donlan, and J.Grafton. 6th Row: E.Powless, L.Kane, L.Hobby, C.Corzatt, N.Roark, M.Lenz, S.Hicks, and S.Barber. 7th Row: R.Isaacson, N.Ebert., H.Gullberg, S.Bowman, J.Gipe, and E.Smith.

## SAE Officers



Megan Barber,Treasurer, Jessica Smith, Secretary, Amanda Lenz, V. President, Amanda Hobby, President, Janet Shinkle, Sponsor

## Speech



Back Row: Tim Magner, Steve Bowman, Tom Scott Front Row: Sara McCann, Angie Scott

## Band



1st row: A. Cole, P. Fulton, S. McCann, A. Muhleman, B. Gearhart, and M. Barber. 2nd row: D. Day, A. Muhleman, A. Brookhart, M. R., A. Caldwell, C. Covert, and Director Mrs. Hilligoss. 3rd row: A. Ochsner, B. Bechtel, F. Ebert, M. Link, E. Smith, J. Grafton, E.Powless, and S. Barber. 4th row: K. Gullberg, J. Crain, J. Bell, T. Stevenson, and M. Link.

Members of our Band this year have participated in All-State and IHSA Solo \& Ensemble Contest. They have also performed at Oak Lane Nursing and Rehab for the residents. They played some songs from the 80 's in the Variety Show. They played in the Stronghurst Christmas Parade and put on a Christmas Concert in December. There was also a Spring Concert in May. Senior Band members are Pat Fulton, guitar, Breanne Gearhart, tuba, Sara McCann, flute and Amy Muhleman, trumpet.

Members of this year's Chorus have participated in AllState, Bi-County Choral Festival, IHSA Solo \& Ensemble Contest, and Organizational Contest. They have performed at Oak Lane Nursing \& Rehab and participated in the Stronghurst Christmas Parade. In November, they put on a great variety show which included singing and dancing from the 1950'spresent. They put on a Christmas Concert and a Spring Concert. Senior Chorus members are Pat Fulton, Amanda Hobby, Sara McCann, Jana Schaley, Josh Smith and Breanne Gearhart, accompanist. Mrs. Hilligoss has been directing Southern High School's music for 15 years.

## Chorus



1st row: J. Bell, C. Stimpson, K. Gullberg, P. Fulton, M. Rodeffer, M.Link, J. Schaley, A. Hobby, and Director Mrs. Hilligoss. 2nd row: S. Carlsen, D. Day, A. Muhleman, M. Barber, A. Lenz, S. McCann, A. Brookhart, A. Caldwell, and M. Huss. 3rd row: B. Adams, R. Avery, S. Doran, A. Clifton, M. Link, C. Corzatt, L. Kane, E. Powless, S. Barber and M. Lenz. 4th row: F. Ebert, J. Taylor, B. Bechtel, A. Magee, N. Ebert, J. Rowe, H. Gullberg, N. Roark, and S. Hicks. 5th row: A. Donlan, A. Ochsner, B. Adams, L. Hobby, S. Bowman, J. Gipe, and E. Smith.

## Confederate Chapter Of The

 National Honor Society

FRONT: Leslie Symmonds, Gena Thomas, Jana Schaley, Dana Day, Amy Muhleman, Sara McCann, Megan Barber, BACK: Kevin Gibb, Jessica Smith, Audra Brookhart, Valerie Burg, Trish Renken, Bryan Cole, Amanda Hobby, Tom Scott, Breanne Gearhart, Meagan Gullberg, Amanda Lenz, Jennifer Ingles.

Southern's chapter of NHS includes Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors. Students who have a cumulative grade point of 3.5 have their names placed on a ballot along with their activities

At a high school teachers' meeting, the faculty are asked to vote for the Candidate, evaluating them on Character, Leadership, and Service. Fall and spring inductions bring new members into the Confederate Chapter of the National Honor Society.

On this day. April 26, 1997 at Hend-Co Hills in Biggsville, Jllinois the Junior Class of Southern High School presents for the Senior Class of 1997

# Wonderful Tonight 



Masters of Ceremony Chris Burgdorf \& Tom Scott


Welcome Megan Barber


Senior Response Valerie Burg


Senior Wills
Jana Schaley \& Jared Knutstrom


Presentation
Audra Brookhart \& Gena Thomas


Prophecies
Leslie Symmonda \& Kevin Gibb

## 1997 <br> Prom



Queen \& King Candidates: Gena Thomas and Shane Logan.


Queen \& King Candidates: Amanda Lenz and Tom Scott.


Queen \& King Candidates: Megan Barber and Chuck Keane.


1996 Prom Queen Amanda Hobby and 1996 Prom King Kevin Gibb.

## Court E Royalty



The Crowning Moment (L-R) King Candidates: Shane Logan and Tom Scott, 1996 Prom King and Queen, Kevin Gibb and Amanda Hobby, Queen Candidates: Megan Barber and Gena Thomas. Seated: 1997 Prom King Chuck Keane and 1997 Prom Queen Amanda Lenz.

## King Chuck Keane and Queen Amanda Lenz




CHEESE!

Wonderfut Tonight Prom 1997



Well, Gena, I may not be king, but I sure can dance.

Tom, stop stepping on my foot!



WHAT IS THAT!?!


Chase, help! Amanda wants to dance!


Is it just me, or is the dance floor a little crowded?


You spiked the Pepsi with what !?!

## Our Classes Show Class At Prom



Senior Class of 1997 (L-R) Front: Josh Smith, Jared Jacobs, Eric Gipe. 2nd row: Chase Gibb, Amy Muhleman, Bryan Cole, Amanda Hobby, Nick White, Sara McCann, Adam Annegers, Breanne Gearhart. 3rd row: Pat Johnson, Steve Bowman, Leslie Symmonds, Kevin Gibb, Jana Schaley, Trish Renken, Valerie Burg, Larry Cook, Jeremy Smith, Jason Smothers. Back row: Ryan Bigger, Jared Knutstrom, Kevin Sullivan.


Junior Class of 1998 (L-R) Front: Chris Burgdorf, Tom Scott, Shane Logan, Nick Fittante, Chuck Keane. 2nd row: Amanda Muhleman, April Magee, Jenny VanArsdale, Meagan Gullberg, Sara Carlsen, Dana Day, Amy Cole, Jenny Isaacson. 3rd row: Gena Thomas, Megan Barber, Jessica Smith, Amanda Lenz, Audra Brookhart, April Ochsner, Yasmine Braswell, Athena Gibb, Amy Magee, Elisha Reed, Heather Tapscott, Jaimee Fisher, Jenny Ingles. Back row: Josh Quigley, Shane Heikes, Richard Wamsley.

## Senior Wills

I, Adam Annegers, of petite body and enlarged brain, will my red hair to Brian Strange so he can have 3 colors instead of 2 .

I, Ryan Bigger, of mature mind and towering body, will my ability to wake up for school at 8:20 and still make it to my first class before the second bell rings to anyone who needs it at the time

I, Steve Bowman, being of sound mind and great solid manly body, will my Chevy van to the sophomore class girls to be used as a getaway tool, and my Camaro to Craig Carnes and Josh Muhleman who both need a real man's car. I will my ability to be on time to play practice to James Bell, Tom Scott, and Matt Rodeffer. I will my $5 / 8$ th inch $\log$ chain to Jeff Tapscott for his styling purposes. I will my perfect attendance to Brandi Bechtel who does not yet know there are 5 days in a week.

I, Valerie Burg, of growing mind and shrinking body, will my ability to come sliding into the parking lot at 8:29 and still make it to Physics class on time to anyone who needs it. I will my shoes to Cody Bigger in hopes that he will grow into them.

I, Bryan Cole, having an obese like body and the mind of many, will my god-given ability to play pickleball like Josh Smith to Miss Lee.

I, Sara Evans, of great mind and even better body will the ability to date the school enemy with style to anyone who dares to try it.
I, Pat Fulton, in total state of bliss, will my ability to grow gottees during your freshman year to the guys and my bass guitar to the underclassman who can play it.
I, Paul Fulton, of clouded mind and hairy chin, present my last will and testament. To the underclassmen I will the memories (or lack of) whatever it is I did instead of going to Prom.

I, Breanne Gearhart, of confused mind and clumsy body, will my seat on the school bus to anyone who wants it.

I, Chase Gibb, of under-aroused mind and Ron Jeremy-like physique, will my bumper and the ability to dominate everybody, including Seth, at the Hanna Courts to Chuck Keane.

Kevin Gibb, of ideal mind and body, will the ability to kill big bucks to Cody Bigger.

I, Eric Gipe, of confused mind and polluted body, will my fines to any underclassmen that wants to pay them.

I, Seth Hicks, will my cigarettes to whoever wants them.

I, Amanda Hobby, of perfect mind and not so perfect body, will to Reno the ability to drive a different car everyday, to Chuck Keane all of my hand-me-down cars, and to my little sister, Laura, the ability to gracefully stick my foot in my mouth and cover it wonderfully.

> I, Mike Hubler, of sound mind and body, will my Chevette to Ben Torrance

I, RENO, of insane mind and intoxicated body, will my Harley boots to J.D. wear them with pride. My chain goes to Josh M. May, you never loose your wallet. My assortment of Harley shirts goes to all underclassmen and can be fought over. My right arm with my tattoo on it , I give to Caleb. I leave the Caviler to everyone may you drive it like I would. All my camel cash goes to Big Dan, spend it wisely. And last but not least, I give Mr. Buss all my hair, may he wear it in a pony tail.

I, Pat Johnson, of not so perfect body, will my ability to throw a baseball back to the pitcher to Clinton Stimpson.

I, Jared Knustrom, of strong mind and unwillingness to put up with others garbage, will the ability to J.D. Lyon to irritate every Northwestern/ LaHarpe Thunder fans, players, steroid deliveres, and etc.

I, Ron Ludington, of strong mind and body, will my ability to all the underclassmen to bring fresh eggs to the teachers.

I, Sara McCann, of stressed mind and late body, will my ability to roll out of bed at 6:10 and get to play practice at 6:30 everyday to all the future drama clubs.

I, Amy Muhleman, being of gargantuan mind and perfect body, will my cheerleading uniform to Mrs. Keever and my ability to do simple math to Mr. Ockert.

I, Brenda Norris, of sound mind and body, will my singing bird to Mr. Ricketts.

I, Trish Renken, of national average mind and body, will Gena Thomas, Amanda Lenz, Audra Brookhart, and Jessica Smith a good pair of tennis shoes in case they need to do some running at the Media track or at the bins.

I, Jana Schaley, of Western bound mind and fake baked body, will my back flip to Jessi, my tweezers to Felicia and Michelle, and Cecil to Megan.

I, Jeremy Smith, of confused mind and intoxicated body, leave to all, the ability to withstand going to parties with Gipe. (AKA THE BAD LUCK GUY)

I, Josh Smith, of warped mind and godlike body, do hereby will my lifeless cadaver to the Science classes because they have never had such a prime example of manhood.

I, Kevin Sullivan, of unused mind and string-bean body, will my ability to argue with anyone, anytime, anyplace over anything to all underclassmen.

I, Leslie Symmonds, of critical mind and "so-called" skinny body, will my sneeze to anyone who wants to frighten small children.
I, Goose, of strong mind and sound body, will all my macking abilities to Chris Burgdorf, so instead of thinking he's a mack, he will be one.

We, the Senior girls, of intelligent mind and spectacular bodies, will our athletic ability to the Junior boys.

We, the Senior boys, of sound mind and body, will our tackling abilities to future Southern football players.
We, the Senior softball players, of sound mind and body, will our assortment of nail pollish to Miss Lee. Don't worry it's politicaly correct. We also will our Nine Inch Nails victory CD to you.

We, the Class of ' 97 , of perverted minds and perfect bodies, were going to will you something very important but for some strange reason it has come up missing.

## Class of '97 prophecy

It is now the year 2007 and the Class of 1997 is starting to arrive for their 10 Year Reunion in the parking lot of Fisher's Jack and Jill.

First to arrive to the reunion was Amy Muhleman with a police escort. No, it's not because she's rich or famous, she's serving 4-10 for embezzling from the IRS

Adam Annegers grew out his curly red hair and is now the new Bozo the Clown, if he's not at his hog farm. He can really make you laugh by rolling his head up in a window.

Ryan Bigger owns all farmland around Media and has his own rodeo arena specialized for not bull riding but heifer riding.

Steve Bowman owns a Chevy dealership but still lifts things for old ladies at Farm King and rumor has it he's applying for Tanya's job since she's retiring this year.

Valerie Burg owns Heinz Ketchup and Morton salt companies and she just now told us where she's going to college and what she got on her ACT .

Bryan Cole owns his own golf course named Shamu's Golf World. He is also the Mayor of Media (his beloved town).

Larry Cook brought his own recliner and remote control to the reunion since that's what he's been doing for the last ten years.

Sara Evans is now the Southern High School counselor. She specializes in helping out girls who date boys from other schools.

Pat Fulton still encourages fellow football team members with his wise sayings on a pro-football team (water boy).

Paul Fulton is a part time bum/physicist but recently won the Publishers Clearinghouse Sweepstakes.

Breanne Gearhart is now a musician known as the artist formerly known as Breanne and opens for John Tesh on tour.

Chase Gibe is a food tester for McDonald's. He'll eat anything but his favorite is still glue. He doesn't make much money so he's living off Paul.

Kevin Gibb works for Bryan at Shamu's Golf World as a caddy/ exotic male dancer.

Eric Gie is on his 30th car and is a successful car insurance salesman.

Seth Hicks took over Marlboro man's job.
Amanda Hobby also works for Bryan at Shamu's Golf World taking care of the live whales and baby sitting the children of all members.

Mike Hubler won the contest for the new "Mikey" for Life cereal and is now CEO of Life cereal.

Jared Jacobs hosts a Harley Davidson festival in Alaska and has a
book out on appropriate speeches for English.
Chris Johnson is now the master champion garden tractor puller of the fristate area.

Pat Johnson is the now the Southern High School Baseball coach and always lets Seniors play before rookies.

Jared Knutstrom is the new Dennis Rodman. He runs a school of "How to not get caught committing fouls". Jared rediscovered his long los! Amish love and converted to marry her and now sports a long beard.

Ron Ludington is the science teacher at Southern and brings live animals everyday.

Sara McCann moved to Monmouth to live next door to Mr. Ockert so she could yell at him everyday, "I understand that!"

Brenda Norris is now the Stronghurst police chief and spends all her time cruising the strip looking for troublemakers.

After being stalked for years by the nasty camera guy from Roseville,
Trish Renken married a Hollywood producer. Trish told us she just got the joke that Jared messed up telling her after graduation.

Jana Schaley had to buy the Neff mansion to keep all of her pets and fell in love with the man who removed the huge splinter from her butt.

Jeremy Smith runs into the reunion yelling "Gie's the bad luck guy!" but Eric reminded him that we are all now old enough to drink legally. Jeremy patented the HUBA dance after it was forgotten for about 8 yrs . and it is now the latest dance club craze.

Josh Smith took voice lessons and is now a Broadway star and vowed to never again cook or sell Boss burgers.

Kevin Sullivan is still looking for a tough enough vehicle to take his driving in between Nascar races and has a book out called "How to touch someone sensually".

Leslie Symmonds is now a world famous model since big noses and ears came into style last year. She's made "Yank A Butt Chain Day" an official U.S. holiday.

Nick White still drives his grey boat which now has a huge goose painted on the hood and lives in Dallas City.


Senior Class of 1997

# Class of 1997 

When We Were Young

A.A.

C.G.

R.B.

S.E.

K.G.

V.B.

B.G.

A.H.

P.J.

A.M.

J.S.

J.K.

B.N.

J.S.

S.M.

T.R.

K.S.

L.S.


# Senior 

Adam Annegers: S Club 1,2,3,4; SAE 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2; Homecoming Attendant 4.

Ryan Bigger: S Club 1,2,3,4; SAE 4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 3,4; Baseball 1; Homecoming King 4; Ecology Club 1,2,3.

Steve Bowman: Drama Club 4; Drama Club Play 4; Speech 1,2,4; SAE 1,2; Football 1; Ecology Club 1,2,4.

Valerie Burg: S Club 1,2,3,4; Concert Band 1,2; Class Officer 4 (President 4); National Honor Society 3,4; SAE 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3 (Treasurer 3); Yearbook Club 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Homecoming Queen 4; High Honor Student 4; Ecology Club 3,4; SRC Business Contest 4; Henderson-Warren Youth Coalition 2,3,4; Dare Role Model 4; Henderson-Warren Youth Forum 4; Ron Waid Award 4.

Bryan Cole: S Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 3 (Secretary 3); Drama Club 1,3,4; Drama Club Play 1,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; SAE 2,3,4; Student Council 1,4 (President 4); Yearbook Club 3,4 (Editor 4); Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4 (Captain 4); Volleyball Stats 3; Baseball 1,2; Softball Stats 4; Homecoming Attendant 3; Prom Attendant 3; Ecology Club 3,4 (Treasurer/Secretary 4); SRC Business Contest 4; Musical 3,4; Museum Explorer 3,4; Scholastic Bowl 3,4; Dare Role Model 4; Youth Forum Discussion Panel 4; Youth Advisory 4; Tech 2000 4; Chess Club 2; Library Aide 1; WIU Poetry Festival 3.

Sara Evans: S Club 1,2,3,4; Pom-Pon Squad 1,2,3,4 (Captain 4); Chorus 1,2; Drama Club 1,2,3,4; Drama Club Play $1,2,3,4$; SAE 1,2,3,4 (Secretary 3); Student Council 1,3; Yearbook Club 3,4; Basketball 1; Track 1,2; Homecoming Attendant 3,4; Homecoming Escort 3; Music Solo \& Ensemble Contest 2; Ecology Club 1,2,3,4; High School Rodeo Association 1,2,3,4; Musical 1,2,4; Spring Play 3; Sweetheart Dance Attendant 3 .

Pat Fulton: S Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus/Band 1,2,3,4; Drama Club 2,3,4; Drama Club Play 2,3,4; Yearbook Club 3,4 (Editor 4); Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2; Music Solo \& Ensemble Contest 1,3,4; Musical 1,2,4; Outstanding Senior Music Student 4.

Paul Fulton: Student Council 4 (Vice President 4); Football 1,2; Track 2; WIU Poetry Festival 3.

Breanne Gearhart: Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus Accompanist 2,3,4; National Honor Society 4; SAE 1,2,3,4; Music Solo \& Ensemble Contest 1,2,3,4; SRC Business Contest 1,4; WIU Poetry Festival Winner 2, High Honor Student 4; Outstanding Senior Music Student 4.

Chase Gibb: S Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 2,3 (Vice President 2,3); SAE 1,2,3,4; Student Council 1,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 2; Homecoming Escort 2; Prom Attendant 3; Ecology Club 2,4; SRC Business Contest 2; Sweetheart Dance King Candidate 3; Student Advisory Council 4; High Honor Student 4; Pieter McVey Memorial Scholarship 4.

Kevin Gibb: S Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 1 (Vice President 1); National Honor Society 3,4 (Vice President 4); SAE 2,3,4; Student Council 2,4 (Secretary 4); Yearbook Club 4 (Editor 4); Football 1,2,3,4 (Captain 4); Basketball 1,2,3,4 (Captain 4); Baseball 1,2,3,4; Homecoming Attendant 4; Homecoming Escort 1; Prom King 3; Prom Attendant 3; Prom Escort 4; Graduation Escort 3; Ecology Club 4 (Director of Fundraising 4); Museum Explorer 3,4, DAR Good Citizenship Award 4; Don Isaacson Award 4.

Eric Gipe: S Club 1,2,3,4; Speech 1,2; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 2; Baseball 2,3; Ecology Club 3.

Seth Hicks: Football 2,4; Basketball 4.
Amanda Hobby: Chorus 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 1,2,3 (Treasurer 1,2,3); Drama Club 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4 (Treasurer 4); SAE 1,2,3,4 (Secretary 2, Vice President 3, President 4); Yearbook Club 3,4 (Editor 4); Homecoming Escort 2; Prom Queen 3; Prom Attendant 3; Prom Escort 4; High Honor Student 4; Ecology Club 1,2,3,4 (President 4); Musical 1,4; Spring Play 3, Tech 2000 4, Student Advisory Council 4; Pieter McVey Memorial Scholarship 4; American Legion Post 765 Citizenship Award 4.

Mike Hubler: Ecology Club 1,2.
Jared Jacobs: S Club 4; Football 4.

# Achievements 

Chris Johnson: Chorus 1; Football Manager/Stats 1; Music Solo \& Ensemble Contest 1

Pat Johnson: S Club 1,2,3,4; SAE 2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 2; Baseball 1,2,3; Ecology Club 1,2,3,4.

Jared Knutstrom: S Club 1,2,3,4; SAE 2,3,4 (Treasurer 3); Football 1,2,3,4 (Captain 4); Basketball 1,2,3,4 (Captain 4); Baseball 1,2,3,4; Museum Explorer 4.

Ron Ludington: S Club 1,2,4; Football 1,2,4; Baseball 1.
Sara McCann: S Club 1,2,3,4; Concert Band 1,2,3,4; Chorus 3,4; Class Officer 4 (Secretary 4); Drama Club 1,2,3,4; Drama Club Play 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 2,3,4; Speech 1,2,3,4; SAE 1,2,4; Yearbook Club 4 (Editor 4); Cheerleader 1,2,3,4; Music Solo \& Ensemble Contest 3,4; High Honor Student 4; Ecology Club 1; SRC Business Contest 2,4; Musical 1,2,4; Spring Play 3; Scholastic Bowl 3,4; WIU Poetry Festival 2; Outstanding Senior Music Student 4.

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Brenda Norris: Chorus 2; SAE 2,3,4; Ecology Club 4.
Trish Renken: SClub 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2; Drama Club 3,4; Drama Club Play 3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; SAE 1,2,3,4; Student Council 3,4 (Secretary 3); Yearbook Club 3,4 (Editor 4); Cheerleader 1,3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; Prom Attendant 3; Music Solo \& Ensemble Contest 2; Ecology Club 1,2,3,4 (Activity Director 4); SRC Business Contest 4; Musical 2,4; Spring Play 3; Snowball Queen 4; Museum Explorer 3,4; American Legion Post 765 Citizenship Award 4.

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Kevin Sullivan: S Club 1,2,3,4; SAE 2,3,4; Student Council 3; Football 1,2; Basketball 1,2,4; Baseball 1.

Leslie Symmonds: S Club 1,2,3,4; Chorus 1,2; National Honor Society 3,4; SAE 2,3,4; Student Council 2,3; Yearbook Club 3,4 (Editor 4); Basketball 1,2,3,4; Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Softball 1,2,3,4; High Honor Student 4; Graduation Escort 3; SRC Business Contest 4.

Nicholas White: S Club 1,2,3,4; Concert Band 1; Chorus 1; SAE 1,2,3; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Music Solo \& Ensemble Contest 1; SRC Business Contest 4.

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## BACCALAUREATE AND COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

## SOUTHERN COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM SUNDAY, MAY 25, 1997 5:00 P.M.



[^0]Southern High School Top Seniors Graduating with Scholar, Honors, or High Honors SCHOLAR (3.00-3.32)

Adam Annegers<br>*Bryan Cole<br>Sara Evans

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*Patricia Renken

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* Valerie Burg <br> *Breanne Gearhart <br> *Amanda Hobby
}
*Sara McCann
**Amy Muhleman
*Jana Schaley
*Leslie Symmonds
*Designates National Honor Society Member
**Designates straight A's throughout high school


## TOP TEN SENIORS

Valerie Burg<br>Breanne Gearhart<br>Chase Gibb<br>Kevin Gibb<br>Amanda Hobby

Sara McCann<br>Amy Muhleman<br>Patricia Renken<br>Jana Schaley<br>Leslie Symmonds

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## Graduation Ceremony



Invocation-Sara McCann


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Intro. of Sr. Address-Valerie Burg


Don Isaacson Award-Kevin Gibb


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Honors Address-Jana Schaley


Guest Speaker-Mr. Dan Ashton


Benediction-Breanne Gearhart


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## Graduation Ceremony



American Legion Post 765 Citizenship Award- Amanda Hobby


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American Legion Post 765 Citizenship Award- Trish Renken


Salutatorian Jana Schaley, Mr. Buss and Valedictorian Amy Muhleman


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