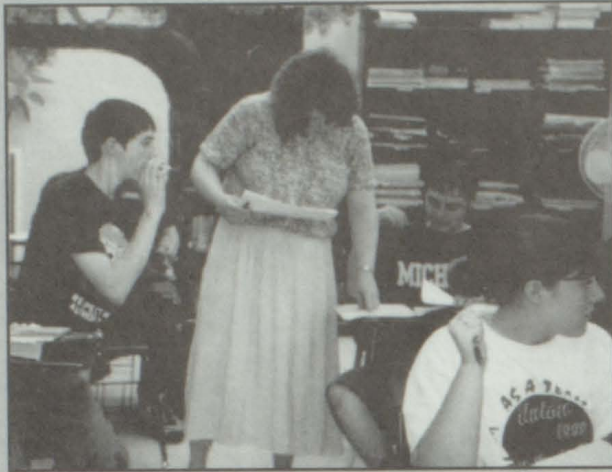


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Academics



Seniors & Underclassmen

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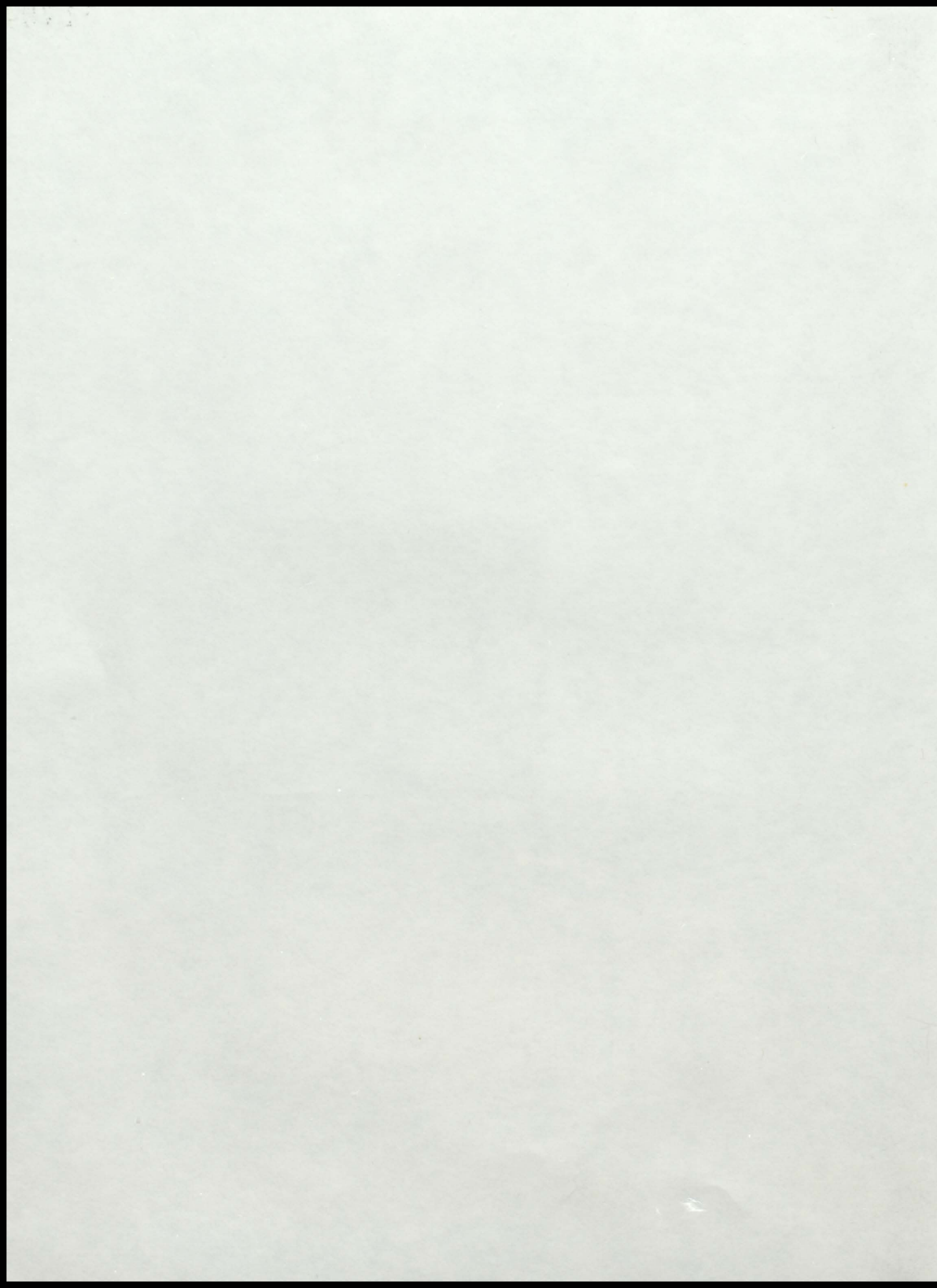
Student Life

Sports



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Academics
Get Underway



U.H. S.
Spirit Week
October 14th-18th



AFS Play:
"Pillow Talk"
Nov. 12-13



School
Opened on
August
15th, 1999



Volleyball Team
obtains title of LTC
Champs- Oct. 23

Spanish Club Sponsors :
Snoball Dance on
February 12th, 2000

Fall Sports Begin
August, 1999



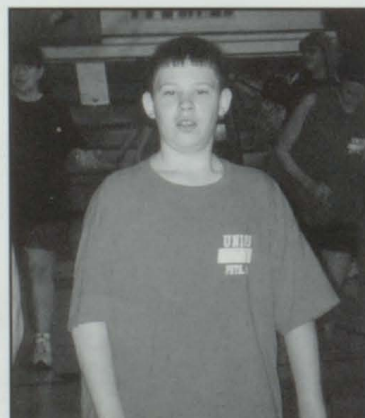
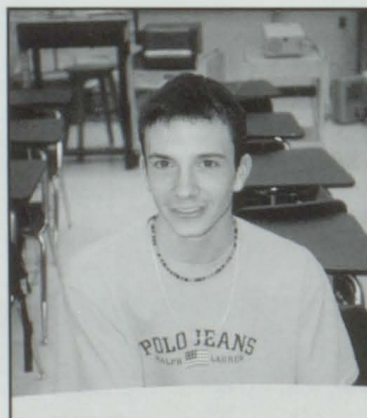
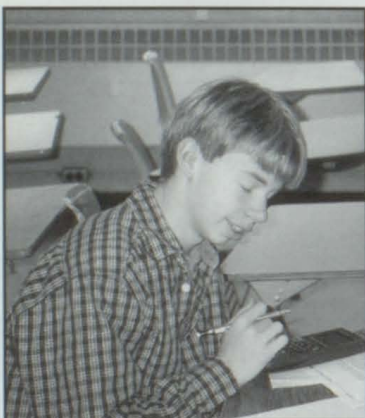
Winter Sports
Begins- November



Girl's Golf
Obtains Title
of LTC
Champs
Sept. 22



Homecoming
Dance
October 19th



Time.....



WYSE Team placed
5th in Regionals
Feb. 15th



Spring Sports
Begin-March



Scholastic Bowl
Regionals
March 6th

Student Council
Sponsors Springfest
on March 31st,
2000



U.H.S. Hosts:
Mississippi Valley
Regional Blood Drive
Jan. 27th

National
FFA Week
Feb. 21- 26

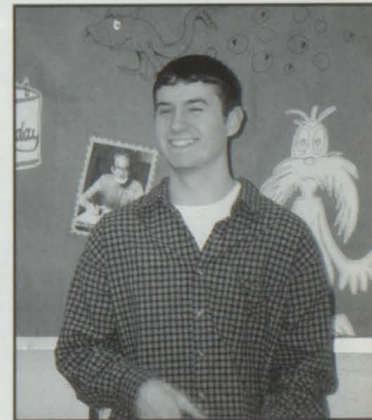
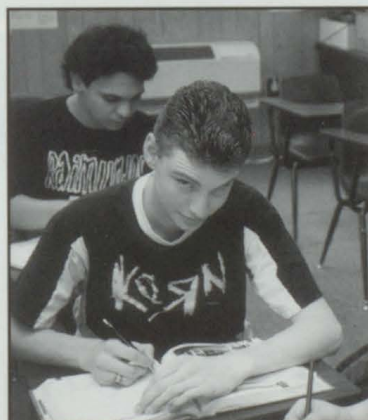
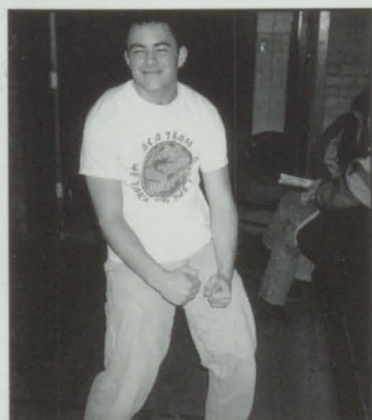
UHS hosts teens
from Boston on
AFS Exchange
March 9th-13th



Joey Shrader
places 4th at
Speech Regionals
Feb. 5th



Fine Arts Extravaganza
February 28th-
March 10th





Biology Bowl places
3rd at Western
Illinois University
April 14th

Spanish Bowl
at Western
Illinois University
April 11th



Union High hosts Red
Cross Blood Drive
April 19th, 2000



Union AFS Students
Take a Trip to
Boston, MA
March 22-26th

P.E. Cystic Fibrosis
Walk-a-thon
May 5-6th

Prom at
Knox College
May 13th

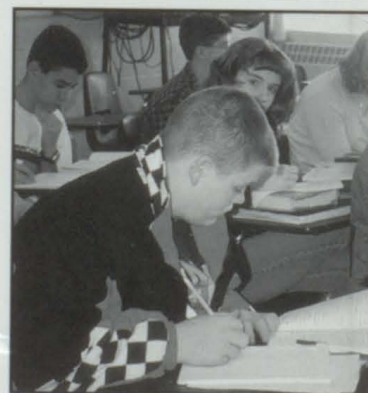


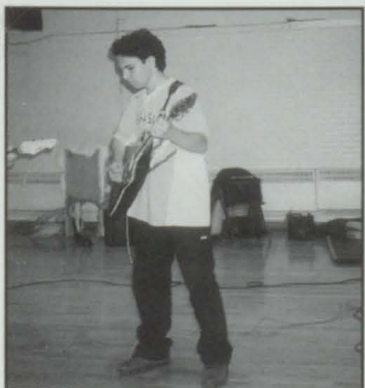
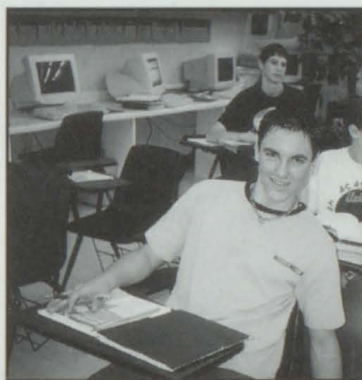
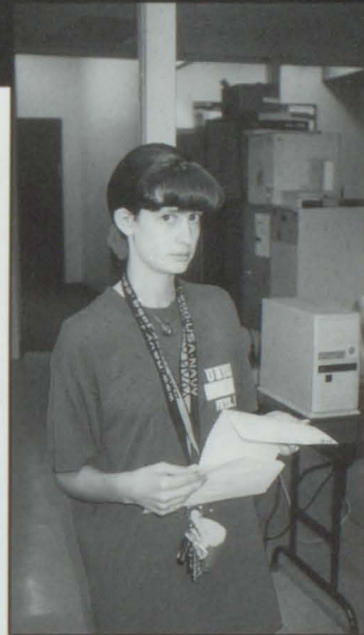
NHS Induction
April 16th

Spring Musical
"Robin Hood"
May 5th



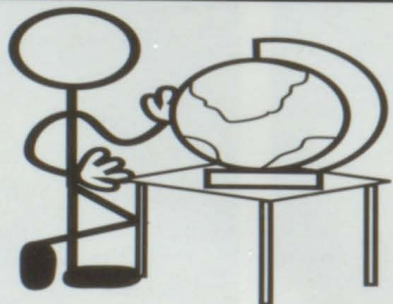
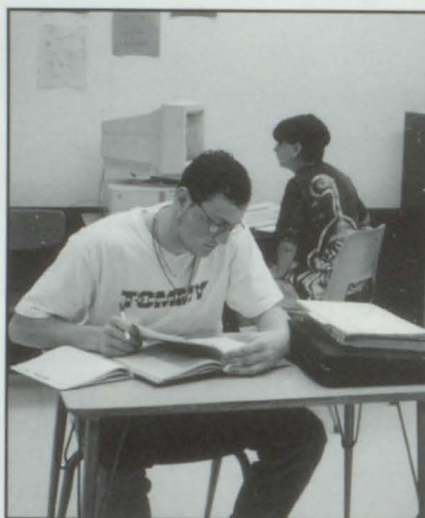
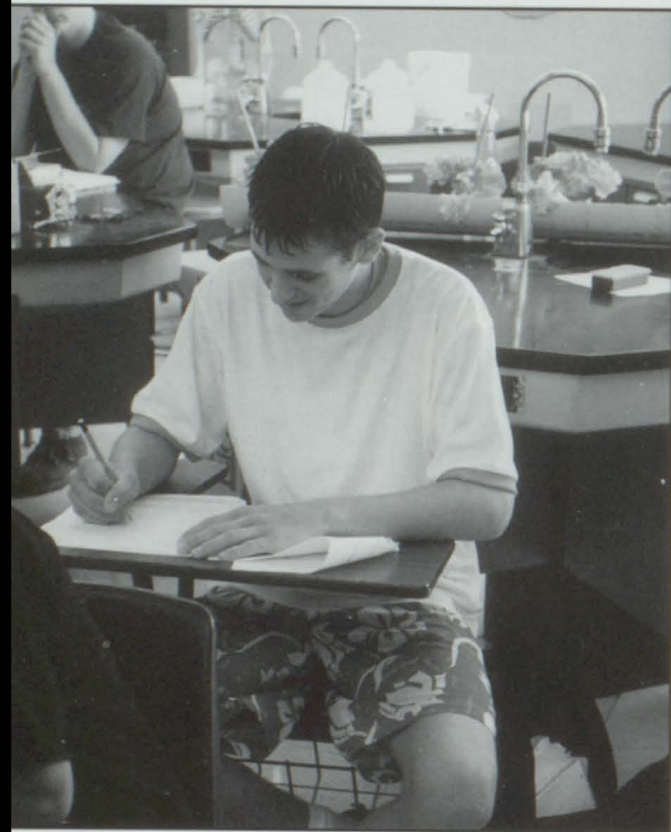
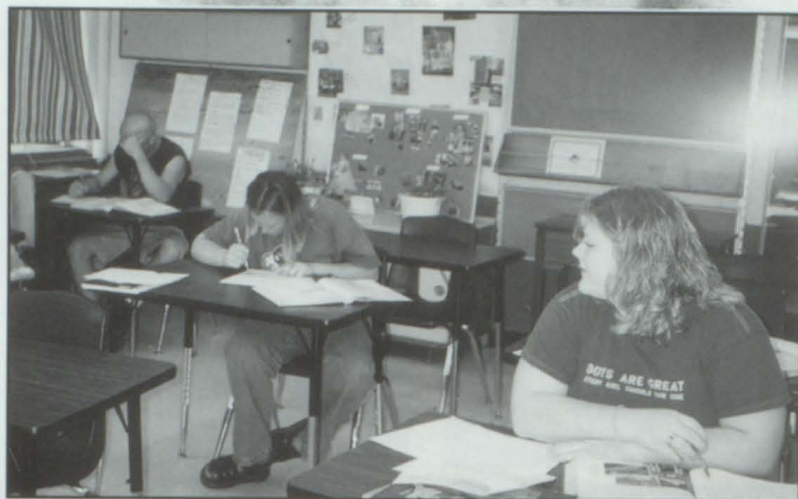
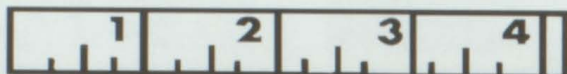
Goodbye Seniors!
Graduation May 19th



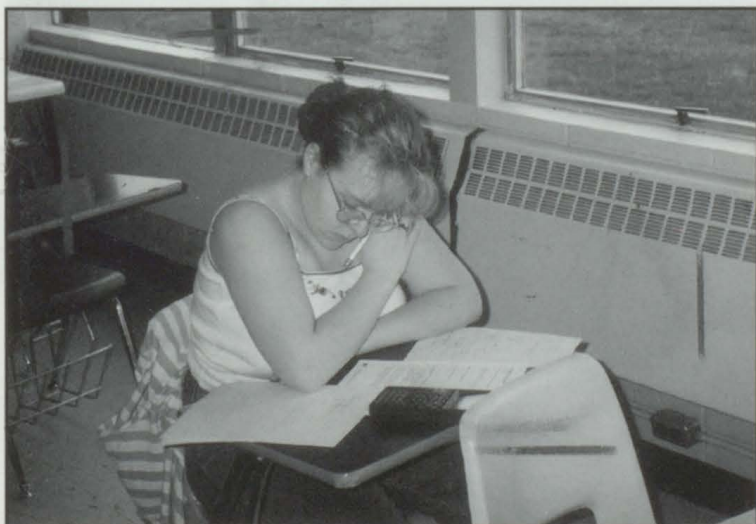
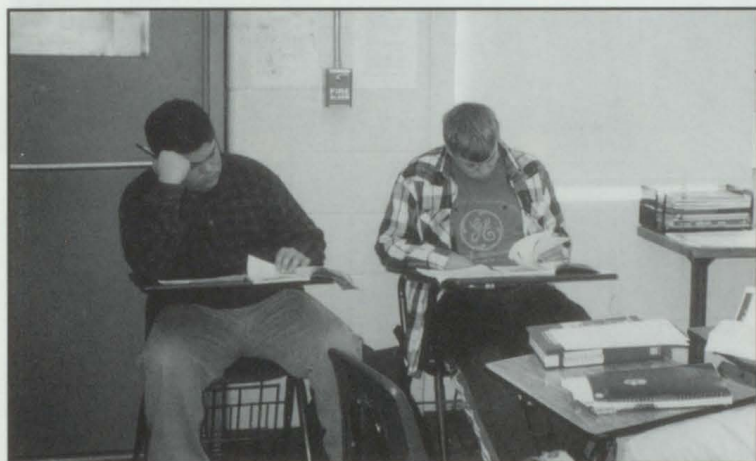
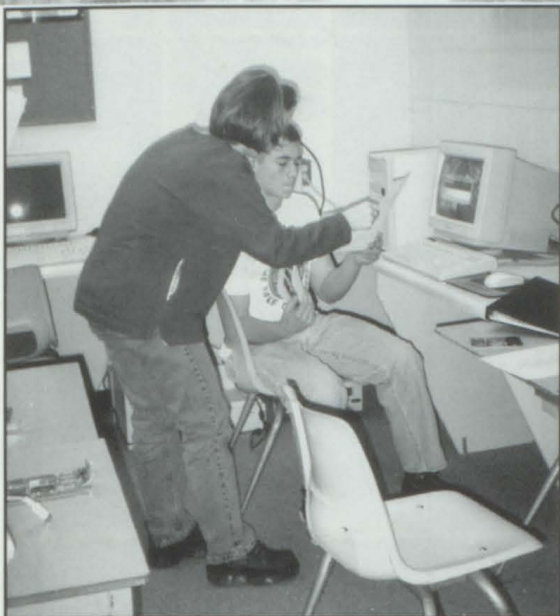


Astonishing.....

"Astonishing Academics." Just a title? Nope. At Union this year the academics have soared. The students took pride in their excellence in more than just sports. It's time that they are recognized for our exhilaration. Positive encouragement and self-determination help them to achieve their goals. Union has a lot of great talent in those old halls, but it's not often that somebody is overlooked. Take a glance around and you'll see all of the talent pouring out. They express it so many ways.



Academics





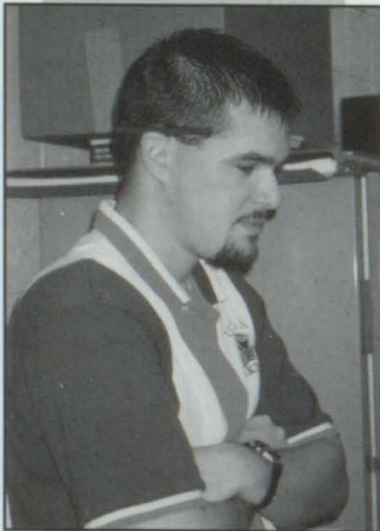
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Mrs. Alexander
Mrs. Brokaw
Mrs. Ferguson
Mr. Fisher
Mrs. Frakes
Mrs. Gall
Mrs. Heavner

Mrs. Hexom
Mr. Hurley
Mrs. Kendall
Mrs. Law
Mrs. Livermore
Ms. McKee
Mrs. Meyer

Mr. Noard
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Ms. Olson
Ms. Rakers
Mr. Robinson
Mr. Ross
Ms. Rowan

Mr. Shimmin
Mrs. Simmons
Mrs. Simms
Mr. Smith
Mr. Spreitler
Mr. VanNess
Mrs. Ziglar



Faculty and Administration

Union's Staff at Their Finest

By: Rudi Gall

The 1999-2000 school year has definitely proved to be full of victories, successes and triumphs. Without the help and extra efforts of the Union teachers, Staff and Administration, questions would go unanswered and jobs would be left unfinished. Every-

where from academics to sports we have excelled in, and are proud of all the accomplishments that we have made. Your character and team effort rubs off on all who are in your presence. A big thanks goes out to all the staff here at Union High School!



Ms. Patricia Collins
Principal



Mr. Dean Irlbeck
SuperIntendant



Mrs. Barb Gray
Fund Acct. Clerk



Mr. Jack Roemer
Counselor



Mrs. Loretta Anders
Lunch Manager



Mrs. Shelly Nelson
District Bookkeeper



Mrs. Nancey Clark
District Secretary



Mrs. Tia Walters
Secretary



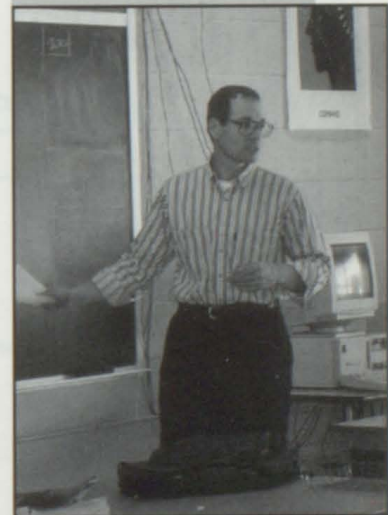
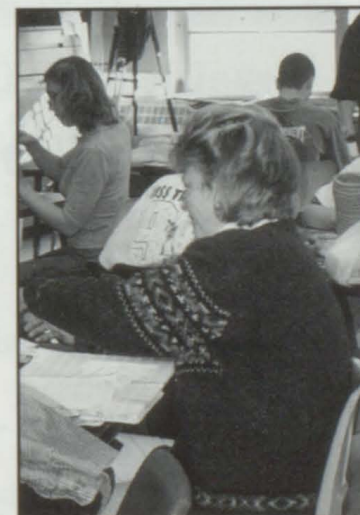
Ms. Barb Price
Secretary



Library Assistants: Miss Stacey Emery and
Mrs. Judy Beal



Mrs. Linda Michael
Librarian



Junior Class of 2001

Anderson, Michael
Arrington, Tashika
Bailey, Kristopher
Bielser, Brandon
Bielser, Jacob
Bigger, Brad
Blake, Valerie

Blindt, Noah
Boyle, Adam
Buster, Kimberly
Carlson, Wayne
Carnes, Brenda
Clark, Christopher
Droste, Christopher

Fisher, Tiffany
Grafton, Tara
Hass, Dustin
Hawkins, Mary
Henry, Amanda
Hume, Hidi
Ishmael, Brian

Judd, Bradley
Klick, Leah
Lutz, Tyler
Mackey, Sara
Miller, Brock
Miller, Lindy
Miller, Sheena

Olson, Nicholas
Olson, Seth
Parsons, Justin
Patlan, Kathy
Randall, Heather
Rippenkroeger, Season
Sanning, Sarah

Shrader, Joseph
Shutwell, Megan
Simmons, Holly
Waterman, Jonathon
Weber, Patricia
Wheatley, Jodel
Wood, Zachary

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Melanie Reynolds
Chandler, Austin
Kulp, Kari

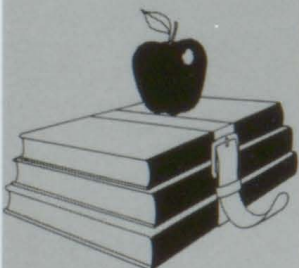


Class of 2001

3 Down, 1 To Go

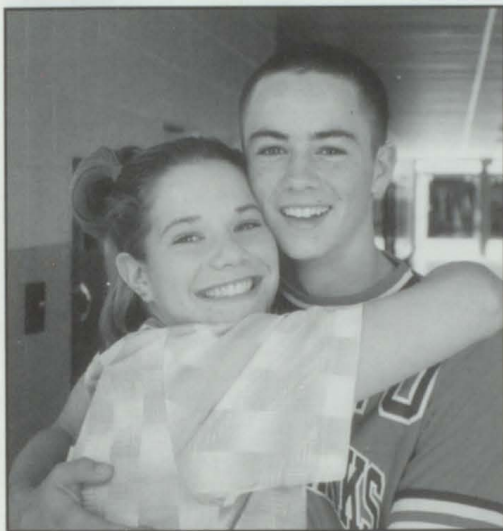
Another year has come and gone. Another rung on the ladder has been climbed. Our goal is still the same and that is to get to the top. As we climb through our Junior year, we grow together and become adults. Just one more rung before we are at the top.

~Kris Bailey





Juniors: The First of the Millenium



“Always
remember
that you
are
unique,
just like
everybody
else”

~Anonymous



Junior Class Student Council

President

Kris Bailey

Vice President

Tyler Lutz

Secretary/Treasurer

Chris Clark

Representatives

Megan Shutwell,

Brenda Carnes, Adam Boyle



Sophomore Class Student Council

President

Traci Link

Vice President

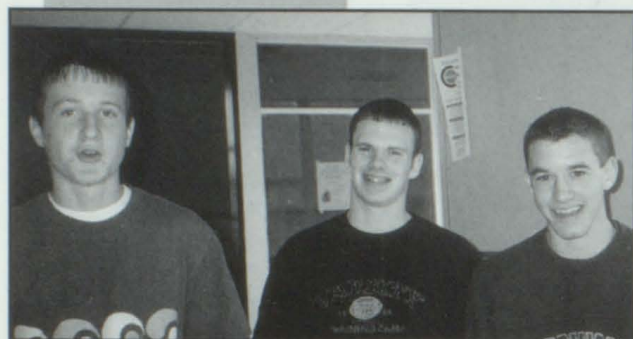
Stephanie Higgins

Secretary/Treasurer

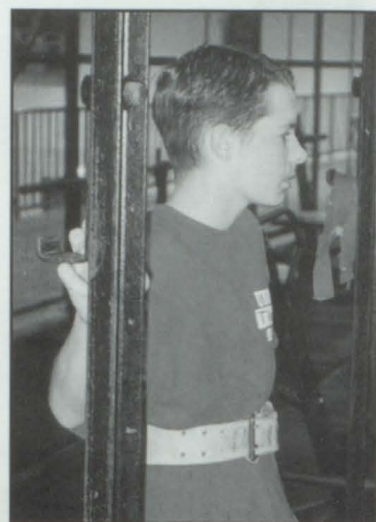
Donny Billingsley

Representatives

Marissa Cole,
Michelle Kane, Lisa Noard

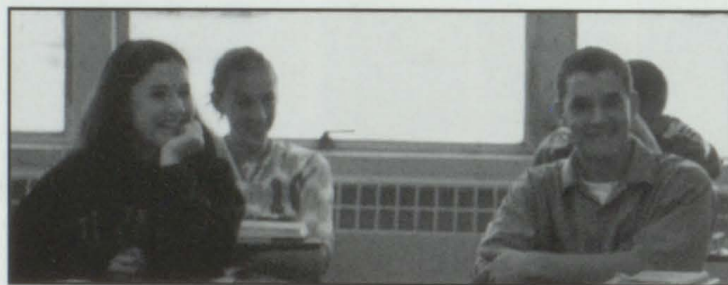


Sophomore Class Hard At Work...



“Forget
the past
and live
the
present
hour.”

~Sarah
Knowles
Bolton



Sophomores: Climbing their way to the top.

As sophomores, we are now aware of the rules and challenges of an average high school student. We are no longer at the bottom of the stick, nor are we at the top. Our class has a wide variety of students. In general, we are each purely individual. Each of us has our own opinions and very few of us are followers. The sophomore class is truly unique.

~Traci Link

Sophomore Class of 2002



Albert, Sheneatha
Billingsley, Donny
Blew, Rene
Bresnahan, Nicole
Buster, Ranita
Byers, Kevin
Chandler, Brian

Cole, Marissa
Curtiss, Matthew
Davis, Michael
DeMoss, Eileen
Eaton, Jamie
Eldridge, Sonya
Ferch, Tyler

Forbes, Chad
Ford, Danny
Gall, Brandi
Gutzman, Gary
Gutzman, Rebecca
Hartman, Heather
Hastings, Lacy

Hendrickson, Michael
Higgins, Stephanie
Hull, Sara
Hunter, Benjamin
Kane, Michelle
Koch, Amber
Link, Daniel

Link, Traci
Lox, Logan
Mahan, Joshua
McIntyre, Michael
McKinney, Shawna
McVey, Jessica
Murphy, Adam

Noard, Lisa
Parsons, Adam
Peterson, Arley
Peterson, Jennifer
Price, Matthew
Priesman, Brandon
Pruett, Lindsey

Shafer, Travis
Smith, Alicia
Sprague, Derek
Thompson, Justin
VanTine, Grant
Walters, Landon
West, Angela

Wheatley, Harold

Not Pictured:
Bailey, William
Bennett, April
May, Natasha
Siek, Misty
Tharp, Annie

Class of 2002



Freshman Class of 2003

Allen, John
Ash, Stacie
Ator, Christopher
Bailey, Chad
Bennett, Michael
Bigger, Tanner
Blauer, Zachery

Buchanan, Branden
Chandler, Amy
Collinson, Mark
Cook, David
Cook, Elizabeth
Cooper, Judy
Cummings, Jenna

DeJaynes, Mark
Dunn, Bryan
Edwards, Rachel
Ellerbroek, Rachel
Ferch, Aaron
Ferch, Austin
Ferguson, Chad

Gerhardt, Tara
Grawet, Phillip
Greiner, Derek
Hand, Jennifer
Hartman, Brande
Hass, Tyler
Hawk, Timothy

Hedden, Hollie
Hendrickson, Robert
Hester, Lauren
Johnson, Dustin
Johnson, Jessica
John, Terri
Jones, Tyler

Kay, Amber
Lain, Shawn
Lenoci, Nicole
Link, Nicholas
McVey, Amber
Mettler, Whitney
Morris, Beau

Mueller, Doug
Mueller, Jodi
Nelson, Tyler
Nichols, Cole
Ohler, Zachary
Petermann, Mindy
Quam, Shane

Rippenkroeger, Chelsea
Robbins, Samantha
Rolland, David
Root, Christopher
Root, Serena
Sells, Sarah
Shrader, Terrance





Smith, Brandy
Smith, Sara
Sullivan, Brianna
Thacker, Cody
Wagy, Matthew
Wagy, Megan
Ware, Brandon



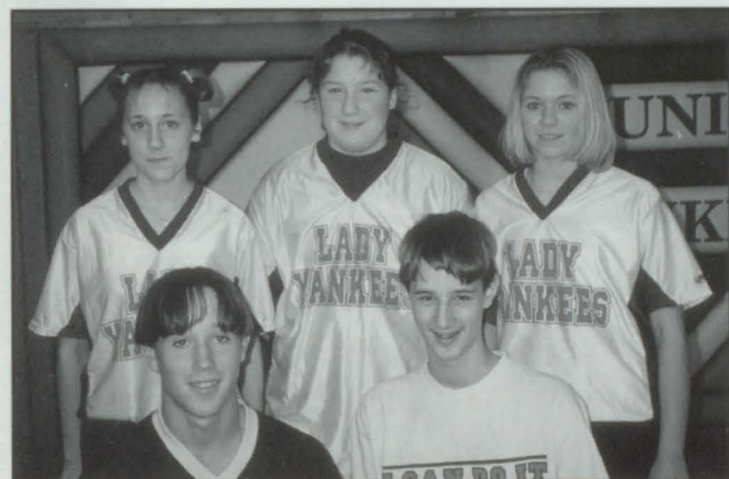
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Waterman, Justin
Wood, Katie
Wright, Anthony



What do
you expect
out of high
school?

To succeed in
everything I try, and
to never give up.

~Jessica Johnson



Freshman Class Student Council

President

Bryan Dunn

Vice President

Amber McVey

Secretary/Treasurer

Terry Shrader

Representatives

Cole Nichols,

Jodi Mueller, Megan Wagy

Freshman Class: Sticking Together

The 1999-2000 Freshman Class has 70-some odd students. This class has been looked down upon as troublemakers. I believe that this class just loves to have fun, unfortunately fun can come at a cost. This is a class with good people that have had good times together and appreciate each other's company. We

see each other as friends that enjoy spending time together, everyone else sees us as "stupid freshmen".

~Bryann Dunn

Class of 2003

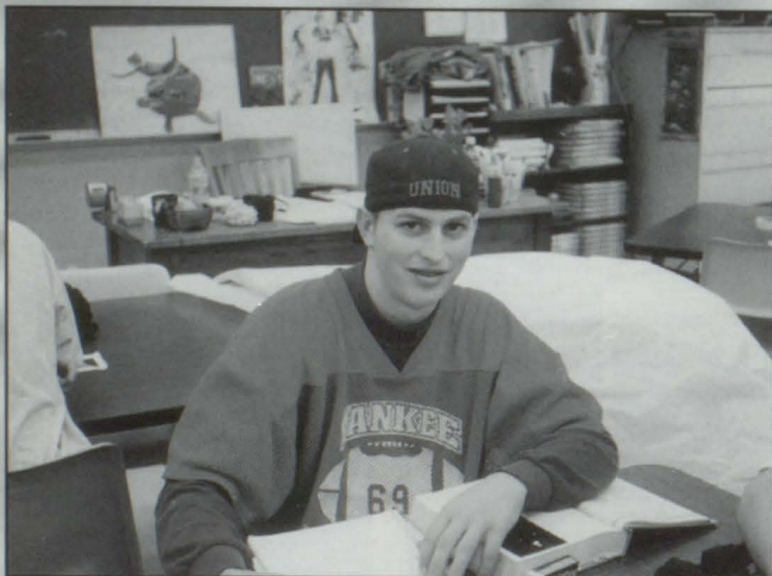
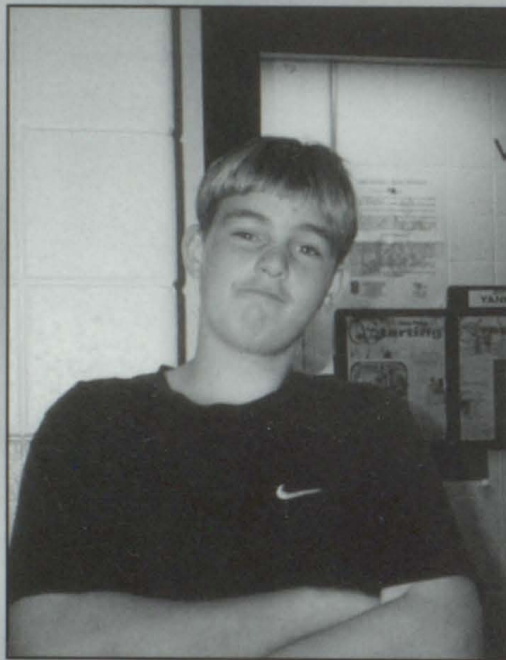
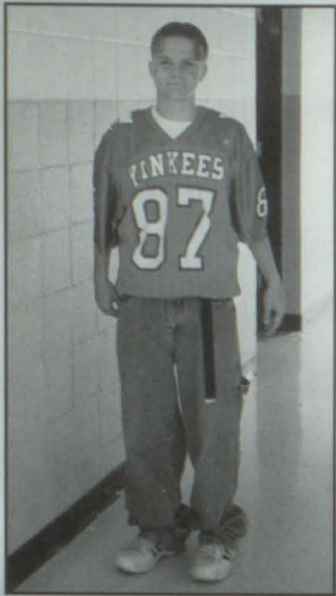
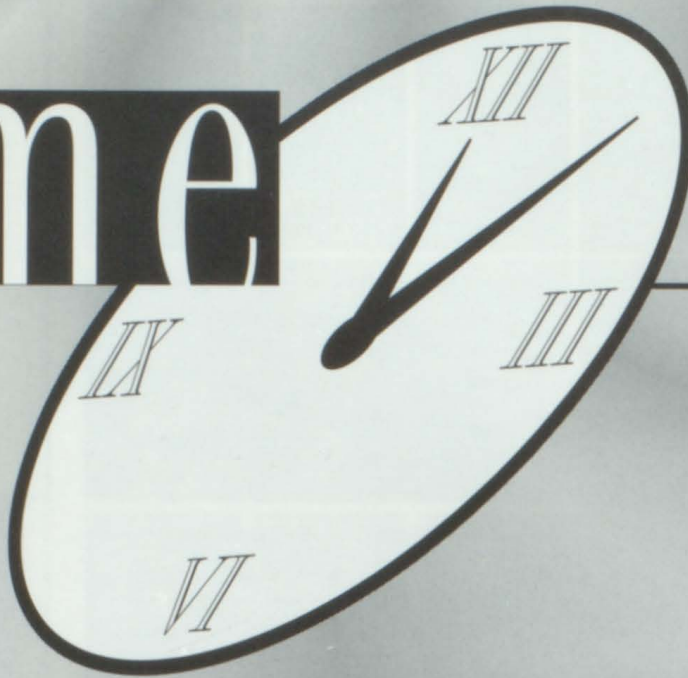
To have the most fun
in my life, to get a
good education, and
be in the most extra-
curricular activities I
can.

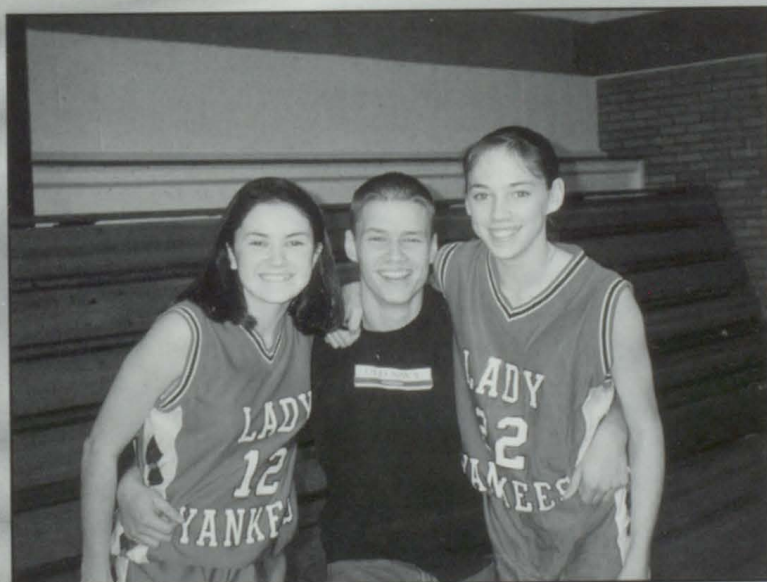
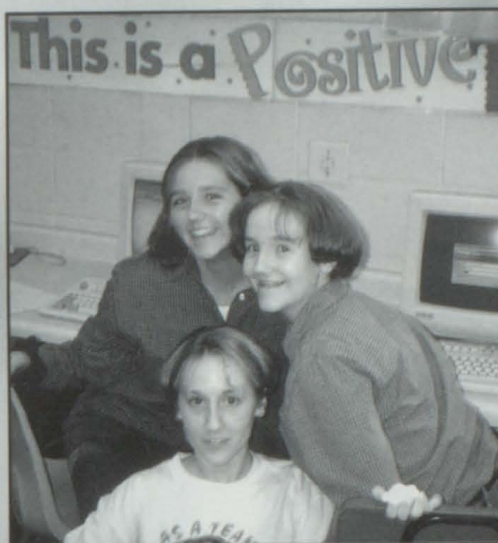
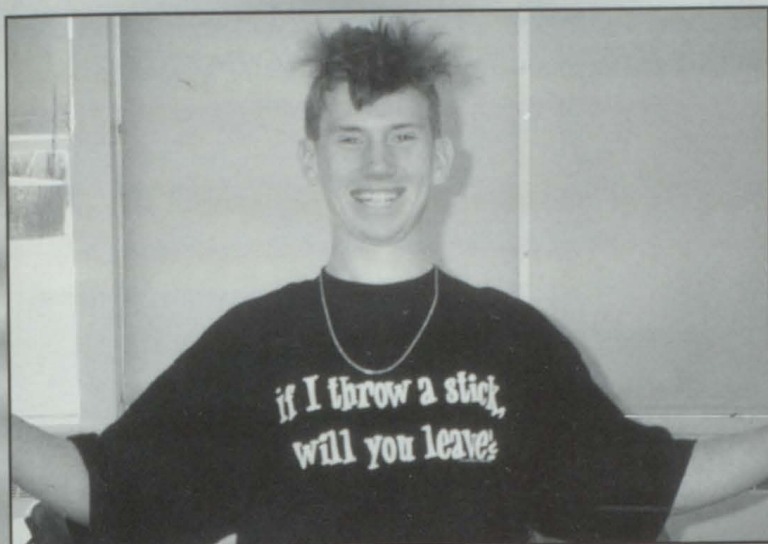
~Aaron Ferch

To do well in school
and have fun meet-
ing new people.

~Katie Wood

DOIN' time





Portraits



Apryl Ash



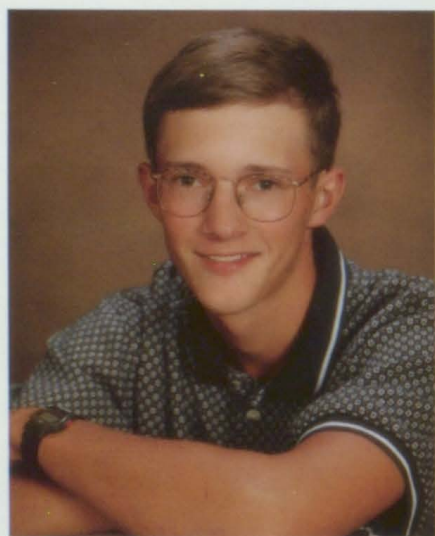
Scott Blindt



Linda Brownlee

The Class of 2000....

Apryl Ash
Kaycee Darnell
Stephanie Dial
Linda Brownlee
Brian Byers



Brian Byers



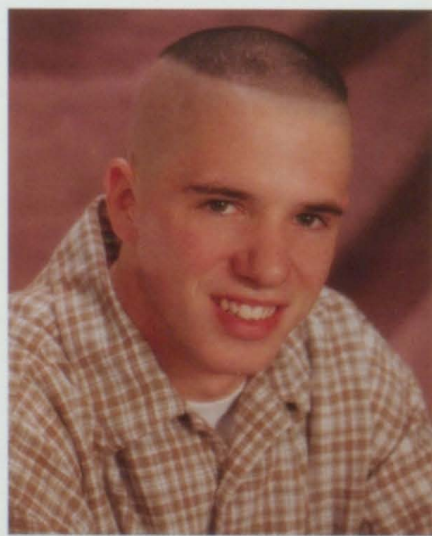
Cassie Carnes



Missy Cook



Kaycee Darnell



Ty Dermer



Stephanie Dial



Magda Diaz



Jessica Dutton



Amanda Essex

Missy Cook
Cale Evans
Cody Evans
Ry Parker
Amanda Gillam
Rudi Gall
Jessica Dutton
Magda Diaz
Amanda Essex
Scott Hill
1162



Cale Evans



Cody Evans



Amber Galbraith



Rudi Gall



Brandi Gemmell



Amanda Gillam

Being of Sound Body & Mind...

I **Linda Brownlee**, leave Mary Hawkins the tent and the ability to win in pop labels. To Kari Kulp I leave "the man," and the ability to pick out a good "Cowboy!" To Tara Kay and Jack (Jon Russell), I leave the box and a candle so they can see.

I **Brian Byers**, leave to Brad Bigger a key to a John Deere Tractor. To Hector I leave the ability to make fun of people with deep voices. To Rod I leave my blue socks. To Brandon Bielser I leave J-B Weld and some medical tape.

I **Kaycee Darnell**, leave to Jessica Dutton a drain and the ability to play Bill's guitar. To Amanda Mooney the ability to be as loud as me. To Brandi Gemmel the ability to drive on two wheels. To Nicki Hernandez the ability to go out with a college guy. To Landon Lox the ability to eat Scooby snacks all day long. To Missy Cook I leave the ability to be the best mother you can be. To all of my closest friends I wish you all the luck in the world. I hope you make all your dreams come true.

I **Cassie Carnes**, leave all my old boyfriends to Missy Cook. To Katie Jones my best wishes. To Katie Wood the ability to draw for me. The ability to succeed the most to Rachel. The ability to spend your money to Aaron Ferch.

I **Ty Dermer**, leave to Brandon Bielser my ability to party and to get out of school and the "sleeping bag." To Cody Thacker my personality so he can get the chicks and the ability to pass a Field Sobriety Test at school. To Mike McIntyre the ability to talk my way out of detentions and suspensions and my driving.

I **Stephanie Dial**, leave to Holly Simmons my "strongest base" in the Lincoln Trail Conference title, my ability to go to Monmouth every weekend, and my cheek since you like to bite it. I love you! To Brenda Carnes all the baby toys in the weight room. To Jen Howe, my best friend who has to put up with me forever, I leave the ability to find a nice guy, a ton of shout wipes, but most importantly the ability to realize that I'm always here for you. To all of my good friends in the Senior Class I leave all my great memories of us including the one at Donutland! You guys are awesome!

I **Jessica Dutton**, leave to Sheena Miller \$20 to give to Billy to stay home with you for a night. (monopoly money that is!) To Amber Kay all the luck in the world and the promise that I will get you back for running away from freshman initiation! To Jaime Eaton the will power to yell at Tyler Ferch when he's trying to be an all-star! To Betty-Jo the encouragement to become a better person without wrecking any relationships on the way. To Kaycee Darnell my ability to play the guitar for the fellas and my hammer pants and the key to my

back door. To Amanda Mooney, your white pants I never could find, lots of luck with Richie, and all of our memories, especially when you flipped me off a board and when you were my uncle! To Missy Cook I leave you a smokestack and lots of luck with Gary and the baby! I love you! To Cody Thacker I leave you two shoes of the same size and some gum.

I **Jeremy Klick**, leave to Tate John a life because he doesn't have one. I leave to Bob Brill my job at Jack and Jill if he hasn't taken it yet. To my sister my Great Milenko CD.

I **Chase Nichols**, leave to Tyler Lutz a little bit of speed to run away from linebackers and D-linemen. To Zach Wood I leave the ability to sneak out on the 50-yard line. To my little brother I leave my piece of crap truck. To Kris Bailey my ability to drop "gas" at b-ball practice and on the bus. To Brandon Priesman my reserved parking spot at the rock quarry.

I **Missy Cook**, leave to Jessica Dutton a chimney. To Kaycee Darnell I leave a plunger. To Crockett I leave a towel, and to Ashley I leave luck in the rest of your years in high school.

I **Jen Howe**, leave to Heather Randall all those great memories in Scottie's car with the roses and the "slickers," and those promises we never kept. Ha Ha! To Lord and King, all the Taco Bell, gum, and munchies for classes! Finally to "Allea," I leave all the shout wipes in the world for when you eat ice cream, and a bunch of thanks and apologies for always being there and putting up with me! I love ya!!

I **Stacey Hays**, leave to Stacey Ash, my little freshman friend, my good driving skills (so you don't wind up like Apryl), my ability to not whine during P.E., and to not make up days and still get an "A."

I **Amanda Gillam**, leave to Chelsea Rippenkroeger my loud out spoken mouth, even though she doesn't need it. To Micheal Bennett my height. To Donny Billingsley my ability to cry your way out of a speeding ticket. To Adam Boyle my ability to look good while lifeguarding. To Brenda Carnes the ability to go to Monmouth every weekend.

I **Rudi Gall**, leave to Marissa Cole my awesome driving and cheerleading skills. To Tyler Lutz I leave a Taco "John's" burrito. To Brock Miller a kiss and to Kris "Rex" Bailey all the kisses in the world and some dip. To Hollie Hedden I leave my attitude, to Lindsey Pruett I leave my strength and weight lifting abilities. To Noah and Tyler I leave my keen editing skills to put next year's book together! To Steph Dialy 17, I leave the song, "Get down on it!" To Tiff I leave you some flavor packets and an empty cup. To all of my best friends I graduated with I leave all our memories like DonutLand and the "spoons" and our trip to Maui! To Aaron I leave my love.

I Do Will and Bequeath...

I **Landon Lox**, don't have anything to leave.....sorry!!!

I **Scott Blindt**, leave to Ben Hunter my football skills and ability to get the girls. I leave to Nick Link my Motley Crue "Greatest Hits" cd. To Traci Link my awesome car and the ability to drive it. To Brenda Carnes I leave the number 62 and my love.

I **Katie Jones**, leave to my little bro Tyler, the power to weasel out of assignments and class in general, as well as the ability to always slip to the front of the line and slip out of general trouble. To Jenna Cummings, who can handle it, my Nation Wide God Motha Empire. To Tyler and Harold the ability to control their tempers as well as I do.

I **Ozzie Lira**, leave my Presidency to a football player. My LB skills to #12. My ability to get out of class to Micheal Bennett. My Rock impersonation to Brad Judd. My love is up for grabs!

I **Brooke Simpson**, leave to Shawn Lain a bike with a chain. To Cody Thacker jelly rolls and the ability to get out of math lab. To Justin Thompson a tractor and some farm ground. To Lindsey Pruett the name Curd, may it always live on! To Brad Bigger some good driving skills.

I **Joey Koch**, leave to Cody Thacker the ability to pick up girls and show them a good time. To Holly my undevoted love. To Taco Dan my ability to eat many tacos at Taco Bell. To Mike McIntyre my preferred customer card at Venus's.

I **Matt Seitz**, leave to "Tickle" my great Defensive End position. To Wood Brain my ability to dunk. To Bigger my ability to have the easiest schedule your senior year. To Brenda my skills to suck up to all the teachers. To Hector, pound for pound, my great tackle position. Also, Wolf Pack, keep working hard in the weight room.

I **Sara Rima**, give to Justin Thompson some lye soap, deodorant, and a book. To Lindsey Pruett a bucket full of curds. To the rest of the students, I give my best, cause you're still stuck here!

I **Brooke Priesman**, leave to Professor Beaker (Heather) Mt. Dew, my jump sets, my flicks, and Mind Trap with Dee Sceptor and Shape. It's too bad Professor Quantum rules! To Higs and Meg I leave Strawberry puffs and garage sales. To my brother luck in getting out of the house and lots of love. To Bryan better memories, lots of "stuff," and someone to sneak over to his house in the middle of the night.

I **Brandy Myers**, leave to Heather Randall my ability to give good advice and my "willie," may you use them well. To Stephanie Higgins and Lisa Noard my ability to smile, even in the worst of times. To Chiquita some bananas. To Mrs. Simmons some glasses, hopefully you will stop seeing things!

Last, but definately not least, to Mrs. Kendell a monkey for your jungle and an angel for your podium.

I **Amanda Mooney**, leave to Sheena Miller the ability to keep up her good work like her sister S.M. and to Jessica, Kaycee, and Missy, good luck after high school! I love you guys! To Landon Lox, the ability to eat scooby snacks all day long.

I **Nicky Hernandez**, leave to Sarah Sanning some of my artistic ability because I'm so giving. To Sara Mackey my prized pastels. Cherish them!! To Lindsey Pruett the ability to have fun in math class. To Sara Rima the fond memories of our trip to prom our Junior Year.

I **Eric McIntyre**, leave to Dan Link, Mike Hendrickson, Jacob Bielser and Psycho Analyses my many talents, and my abilities to turn off women.

I **Michelle Torrance**, leave to Sara Smith my steel spankings and the memories of 98 summer. To Bob Brill my extra credits so he can graduate with us.

I **Stacey Sordahl**, leave to Heather clothing for Ugeine, dance music, big orange balls, nickels and dimes for hotdogs, an apron, and candles. To Traci a watch, speedometer, \$ for gas, and a fortune cookie for better luck. To Megan and Steph the velvet blanket you love and strawberry yogurt. To Lisa and Steph toilet seats, pillows, cats in sacks, and bright red lipstick. To Nicole my ability to be a rag.

I **Amber Calbraith**, leave to Harold all my love and luck. To Eileen Demose my apple lotion.

I **Kyle Pruett**, leave to Brandon my delivery skills and my memories in the Blue Mystery Truck. To Brad Bigger my safe driving skills.

I **Cale Evans**, leave to Brad Bigger my ability to make Mrs. Heavner extremely mad.

I **Brandi Gemmel**, leave to Nicky (nix) Hernandez the ability to drive around Burlington all night. To Kaycee Darnell the ability to stay up all night and not go to bed until 8:00. To Sarah Sanning the ability to give away some artwork to Nicky Hernandez. To Travis Miller the ability to be a future songwriter. To Landon Lox the ability to solve mysteries in the mystery machine.

I **Bob Brill**, leave to Tyler Hass my cheating skills, and to anyone who wants it, my locker full of junk and stuff.

I **Tiffany Peugh**, leave to Heather and Brenda the thought that they will eventually get out of here, and that they had better take over well! To Tyler Lutz the ability to eat at Steak & Shake every night. I know how much you love it! (No it's not poison!). To Sheena Miller, the ability to tell everybody how it is, even though I know you already have it! To all my friends that graduated with me I want to wish them the best of luck in everything and I thank you for all the great times we've had together. I'll NEVER forget you guys (The Spoons!!!)



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Stacey Hays



Nicky Hernandez

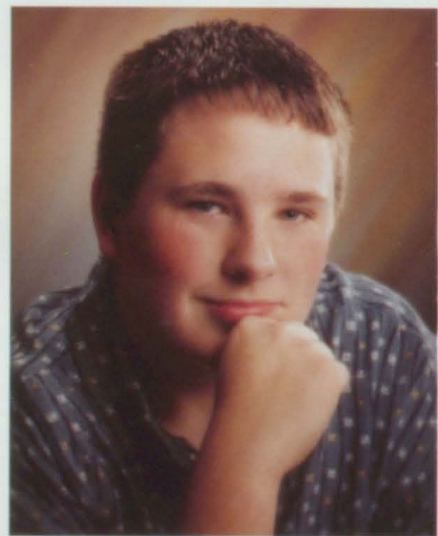
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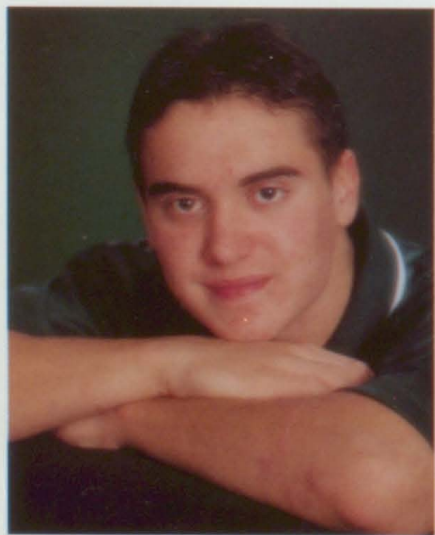
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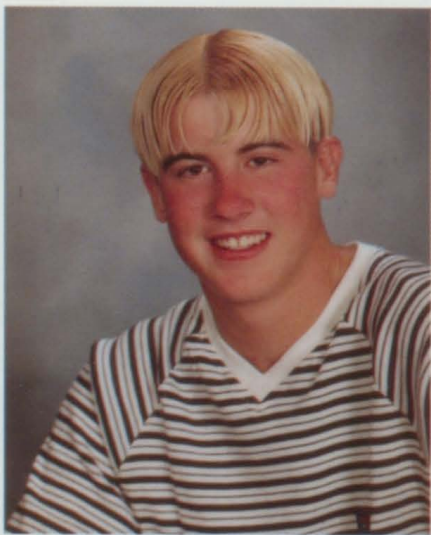
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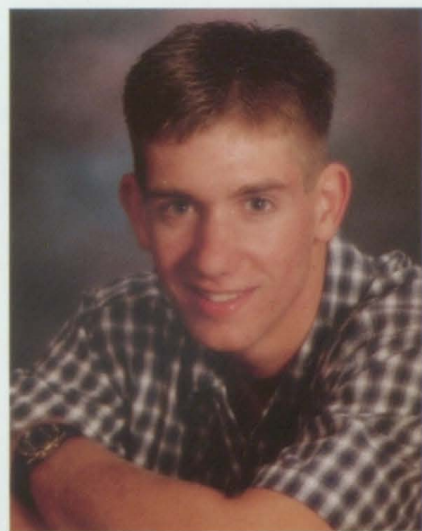
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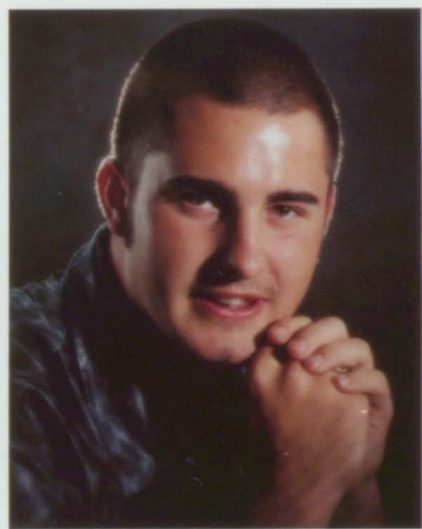
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Eric McIntyre



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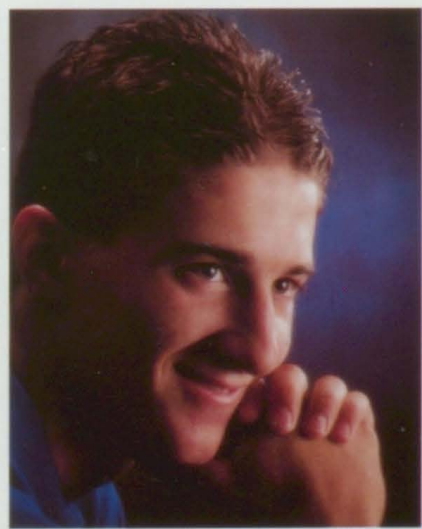
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Amanda Mooney

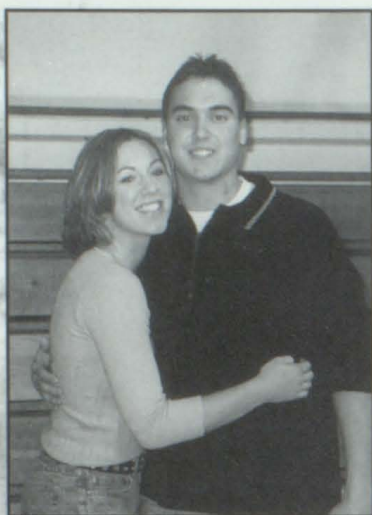


Brandy Myers



Chase Nichols

Who's Who in the...



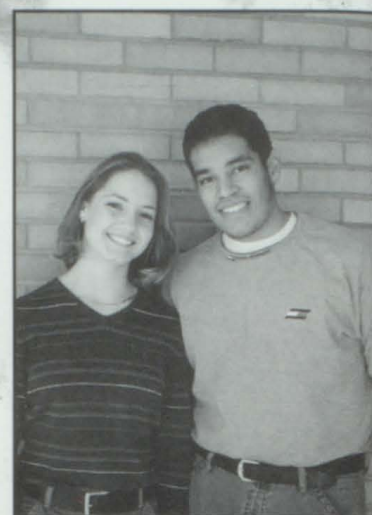
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Most Gullible:
Amanda Gillam
and Scott Blindt



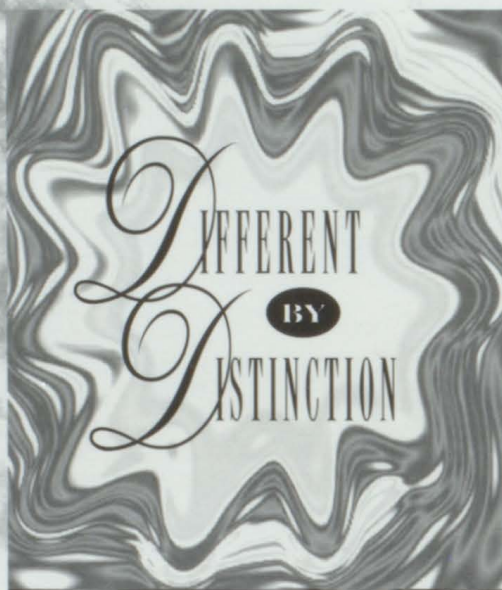
Class Clowns:
Bob Brill
and Brooke Simpson



Best Personality:
Rudi Gall and Oz Lira



Best Dressed:
Stephanie Dial
and Ozzie Lira



Most Likely to Get Out of Class:
Amanda Gillam
and Ozzie Lira



Most Likely to Succeed:
Chase Nichols and Tiffany Peugh



Worst Drivers:
Ty Dermer and Apryl Ash

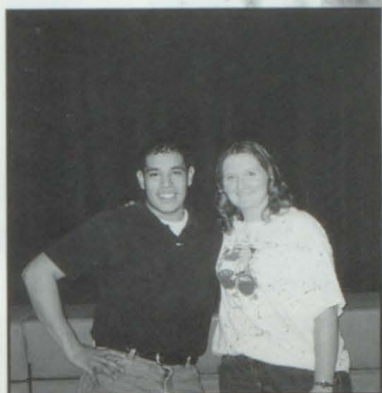


Car Most Likely to BreakDown:
Bob Brill and Stacey Serdahl

Class of 2000?



Biggest Mouth:
Kaycee Darnell
and Ty Dermer



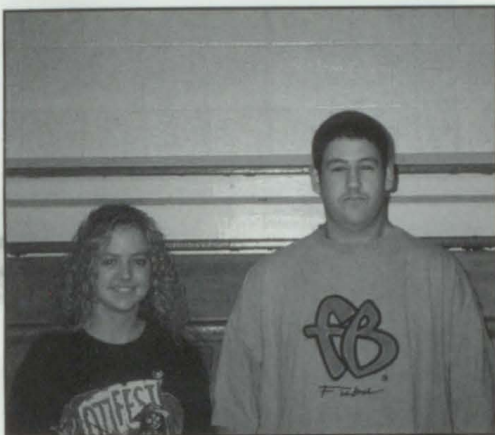
Teacher's Pets:
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and Ozzie Lira



Wildest People:
Brooke Priesman
and Joey Koch



Best Buns:
Stephanie Dial and
Matt Seitz



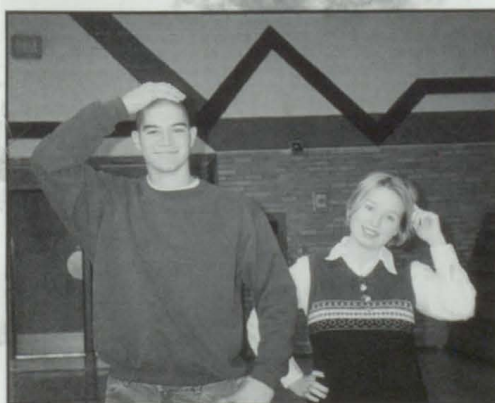
Biggest Airhead:
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Most Athletic:
Landon Lox and
Stacey Serdahl



Best Body:
Steph Dial and Joey Koch



Prettiest Hair:
Tiffany Peugh and Matt Seitz



Most Shy:
Stacey Hays and Brian Byers



Best Liked All Around:
Rudi Gall and Ozzie Lira



Riikka Nikurautio

Tiffany Peugh



Brooke Priesman

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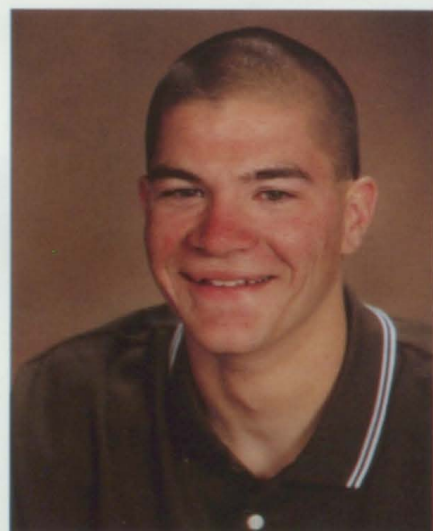
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Kellie Thompson



Michelle Torrance



Student Body President: Ozzie Lira

Presidents: Tiffany Peugh and Brandy Myers **Vice President:** Rudi Gall

Secretary/Treasurer: Brooke Priesman

Representatives: Amanda Gillam, Apryl Ash and Chase Nichols.

Michelle Torrance

Not Pictured: Bob Brill, Rachel Fye,
Tate John, Katie Jones

Class of 2000 Motto:

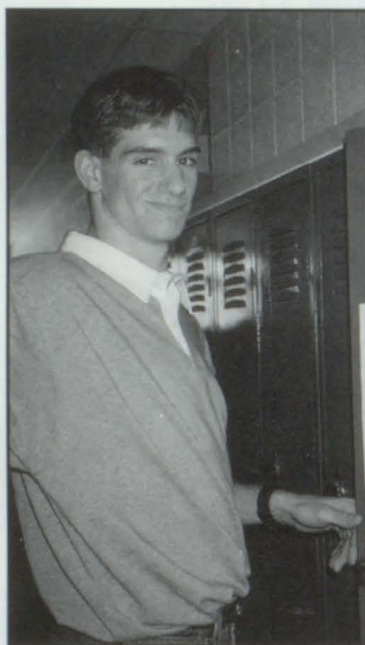
Power is the strength and ability to see yourself through your own eyes and not through the eyes of another. It is being able to place a circle of power at your own feet and not take power from someone else's circle.

Class Colors:
*Deep purple,
lavender,
and silver*

Class Flower:
Lilac



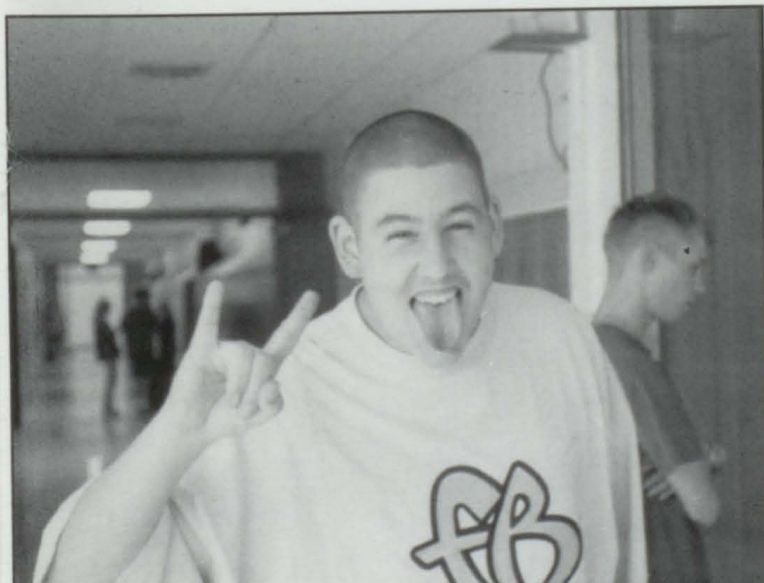
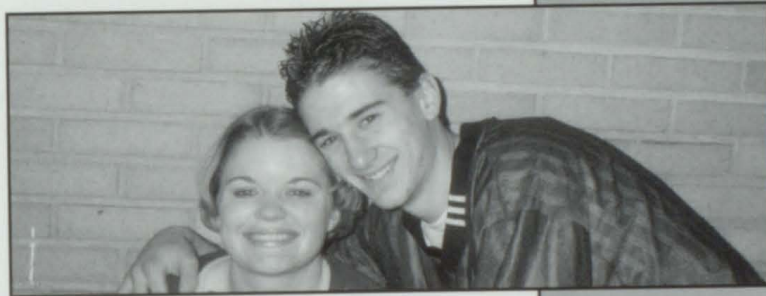
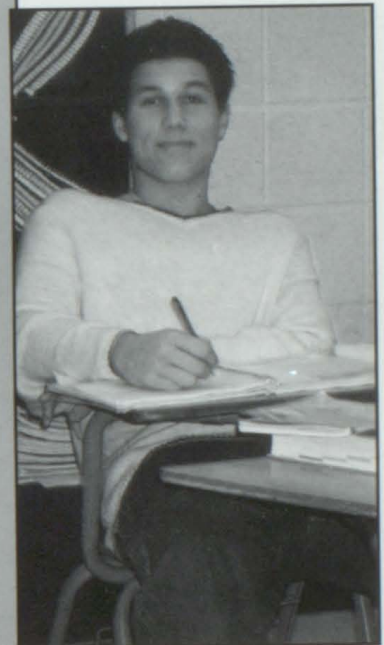
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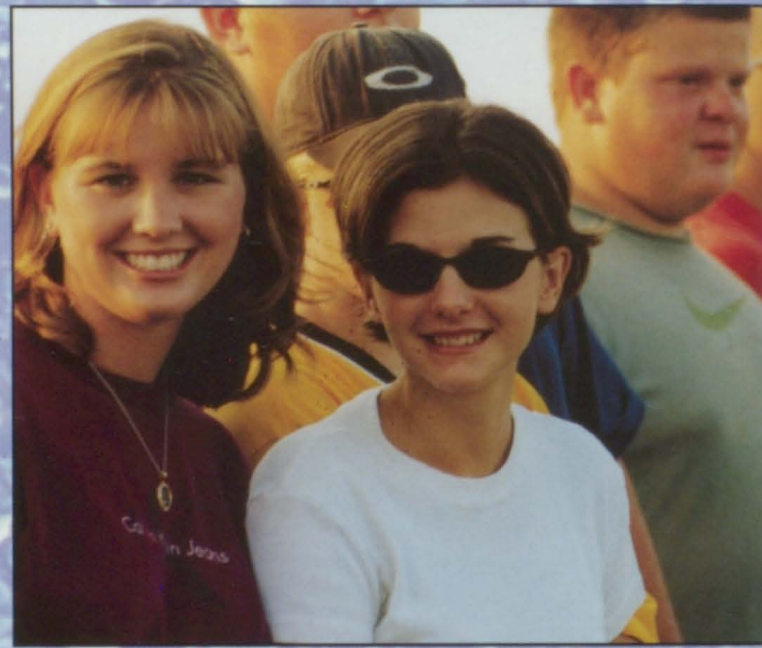
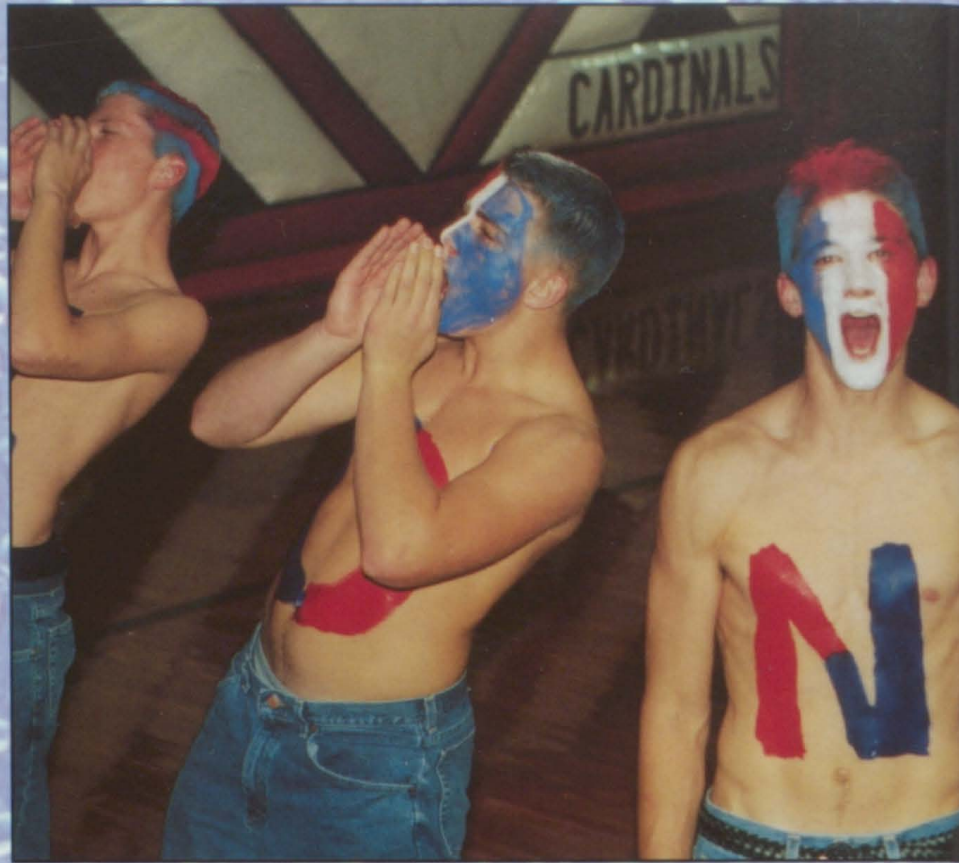
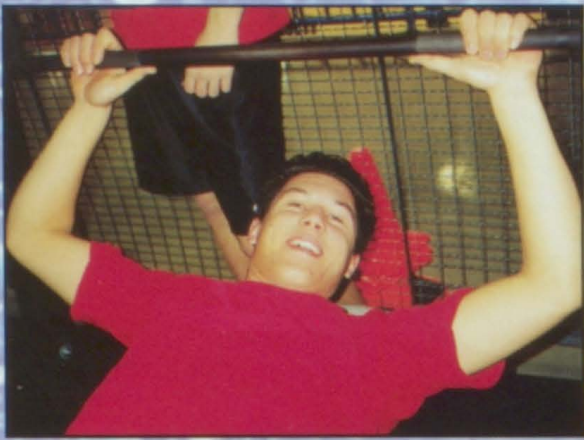


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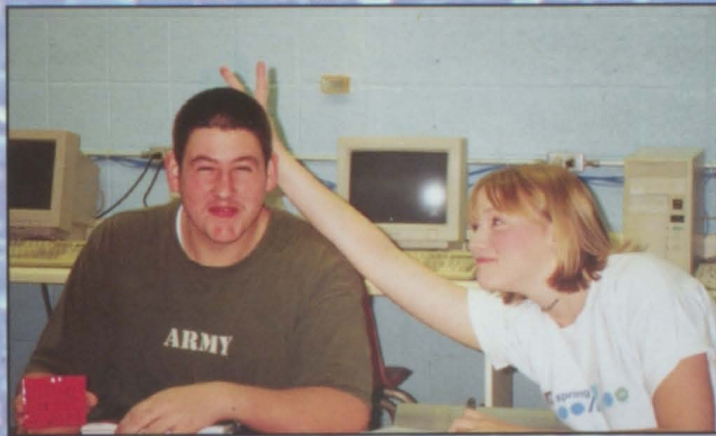
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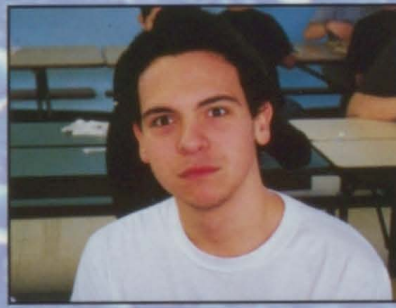
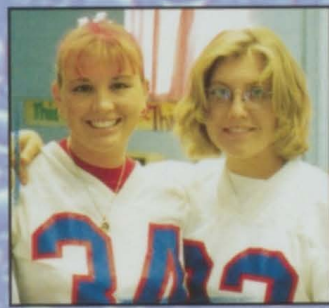


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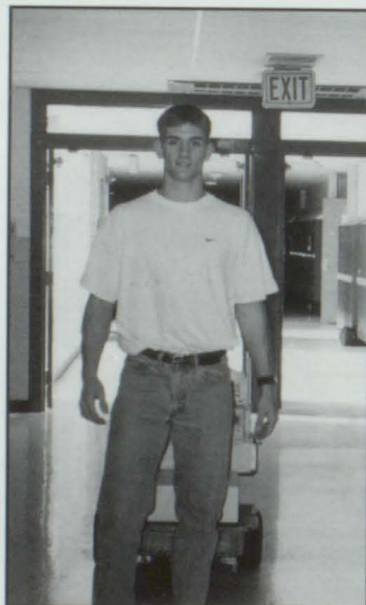
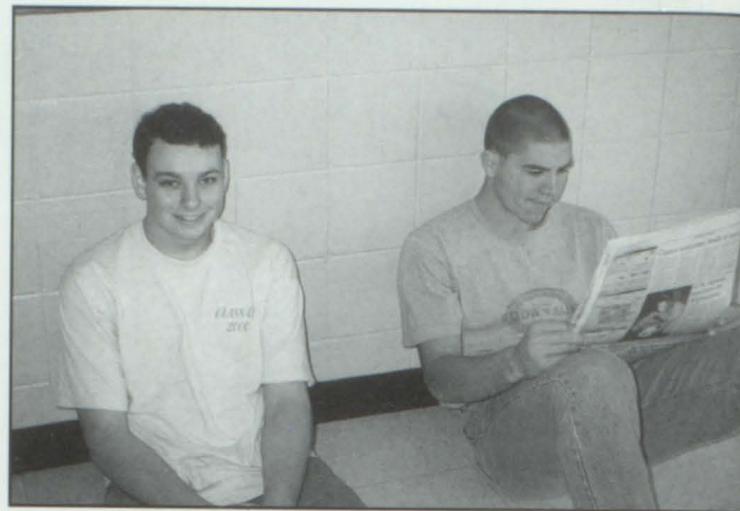


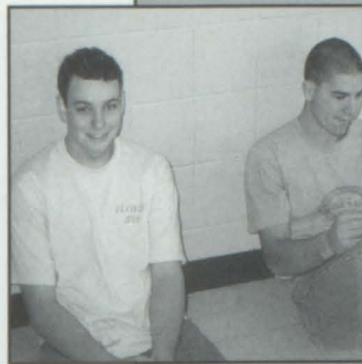
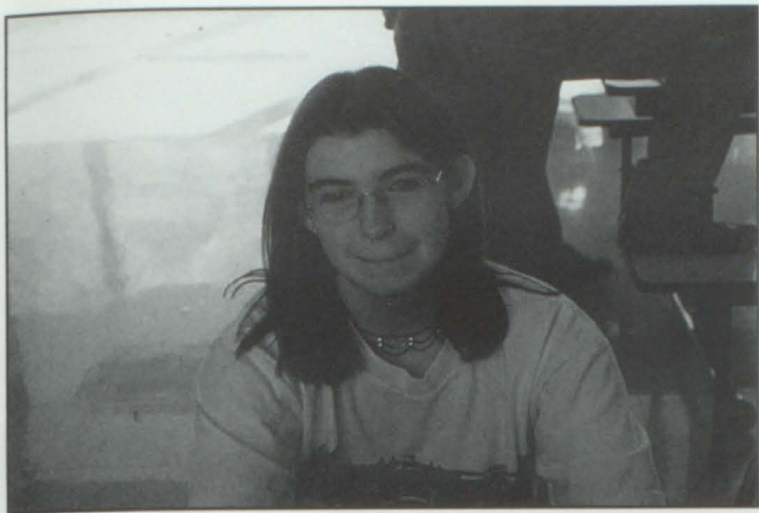
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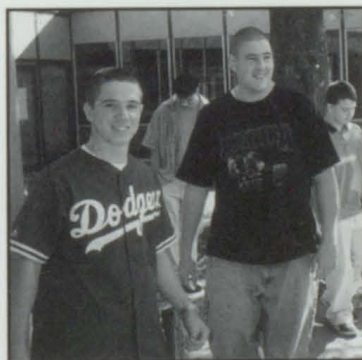
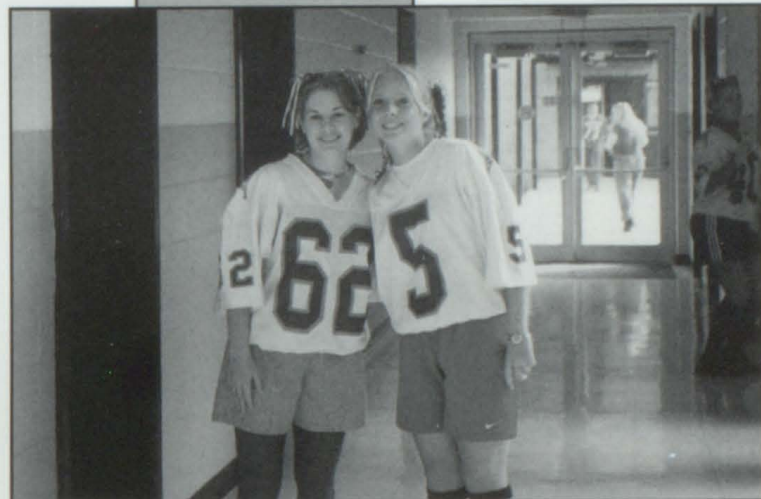
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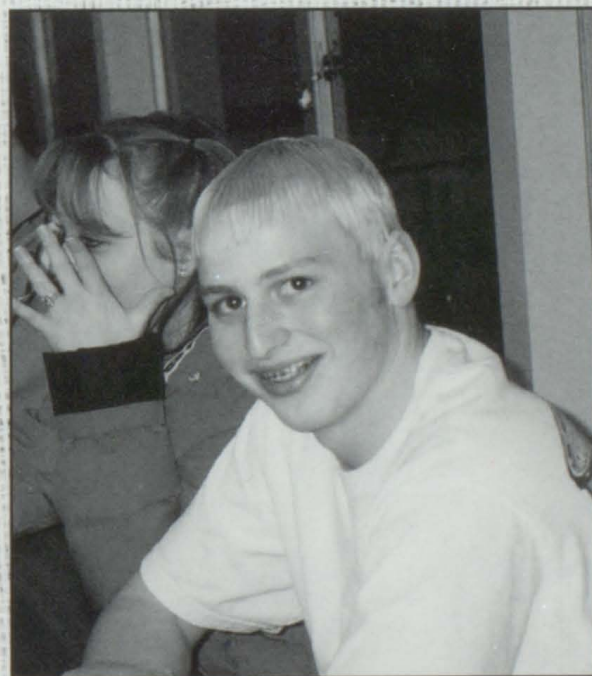
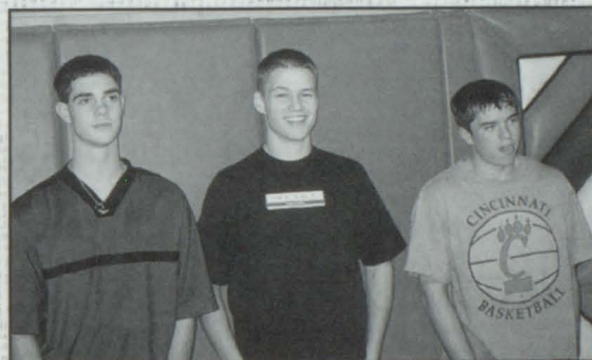
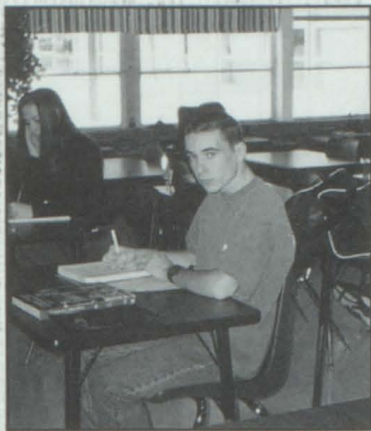
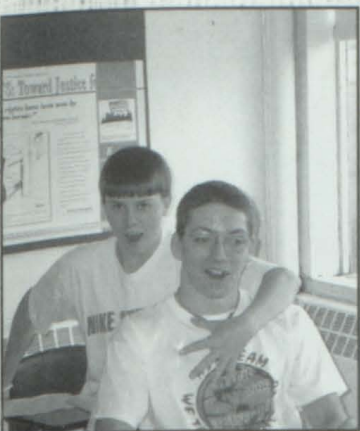
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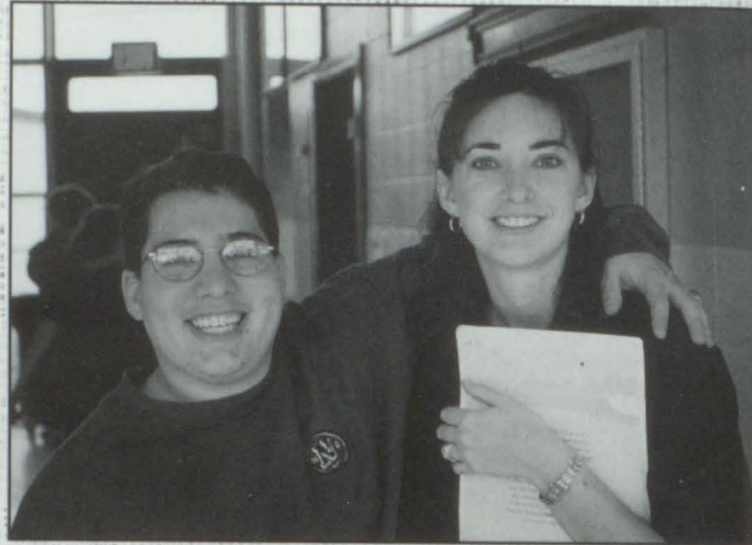
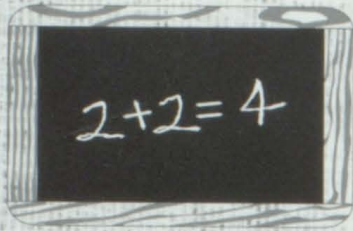
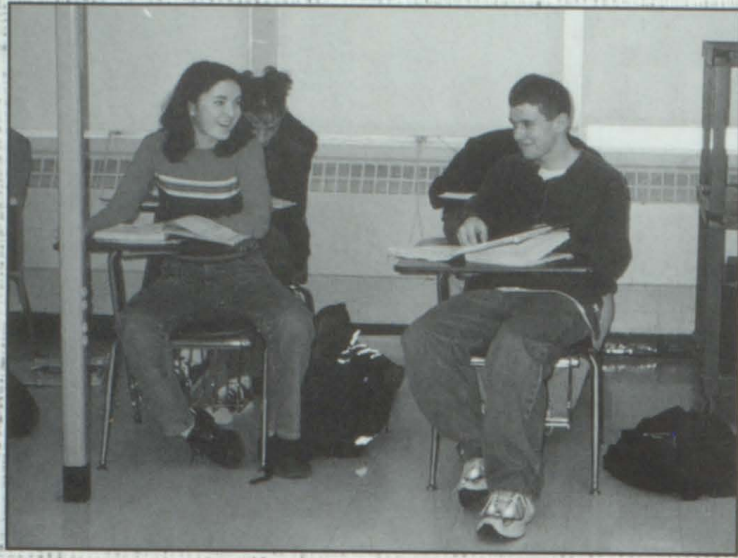


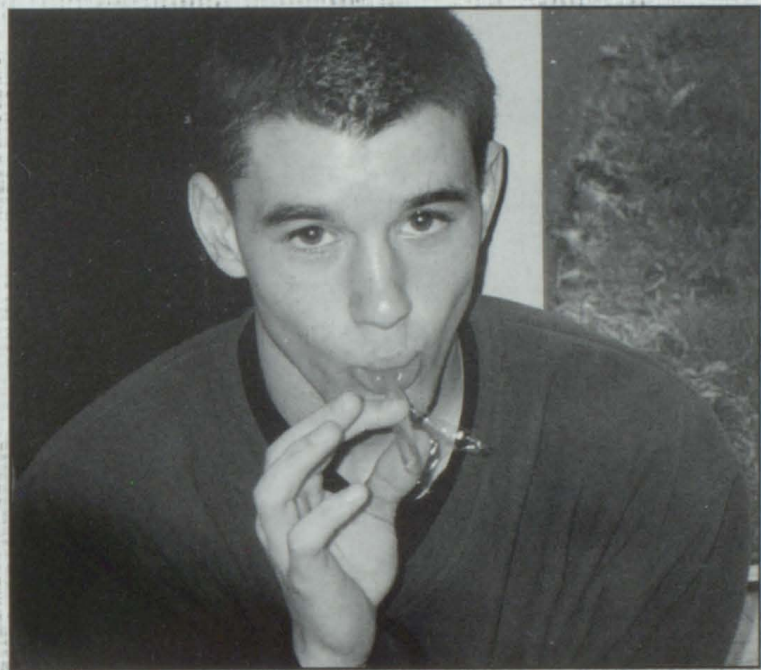
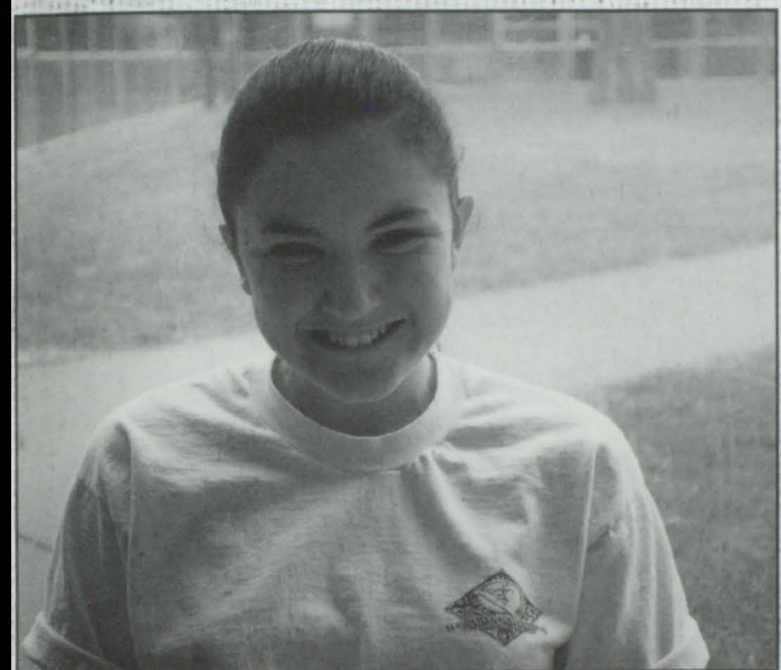
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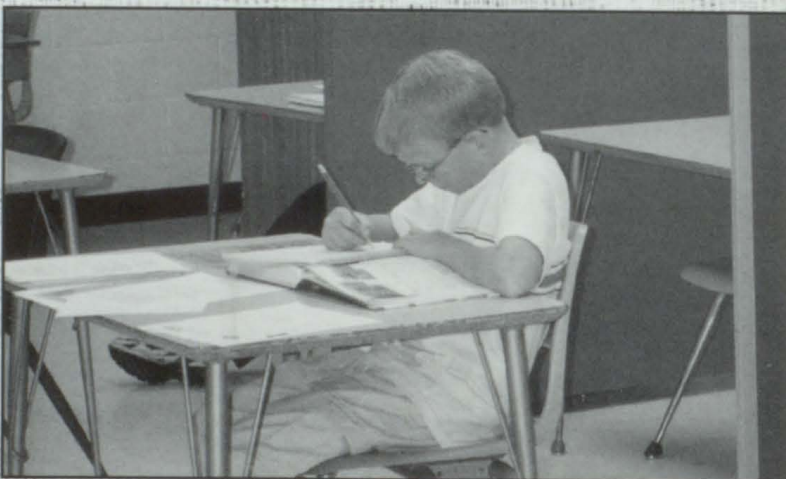


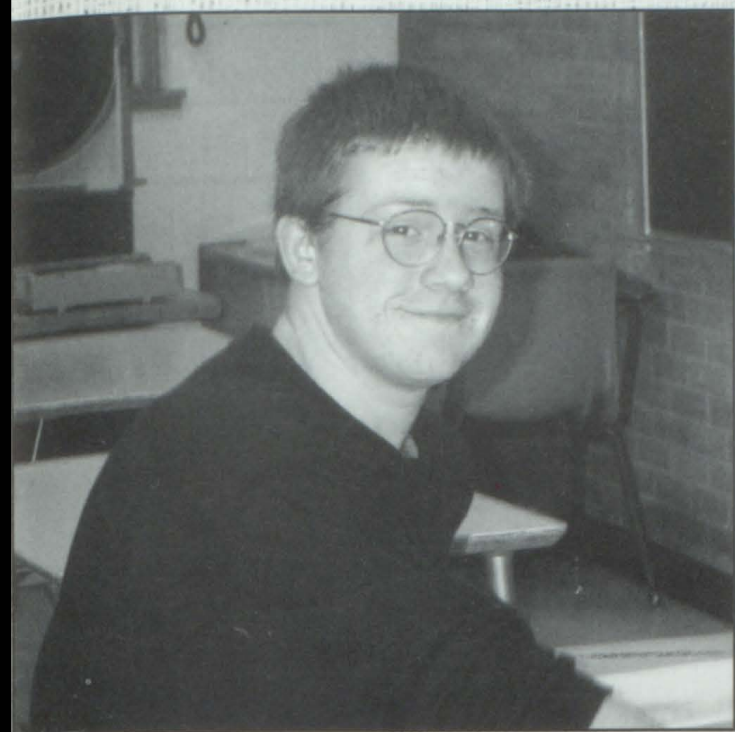




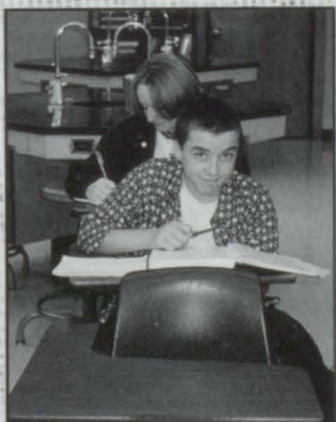
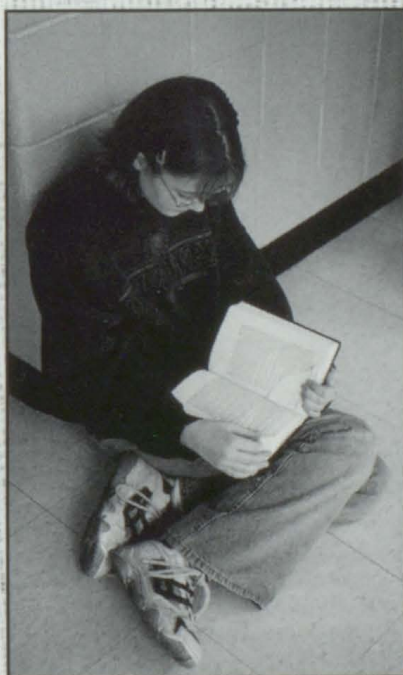
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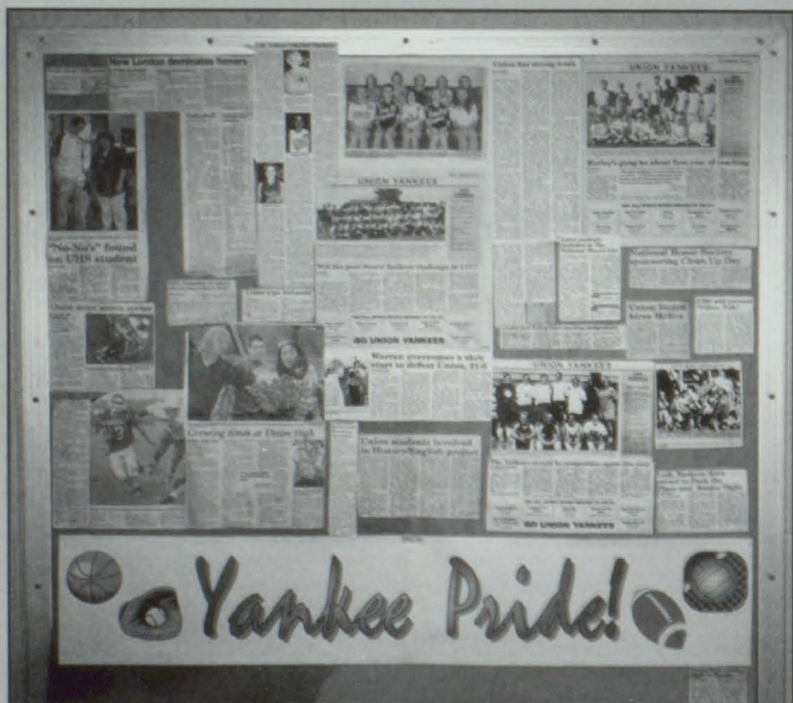
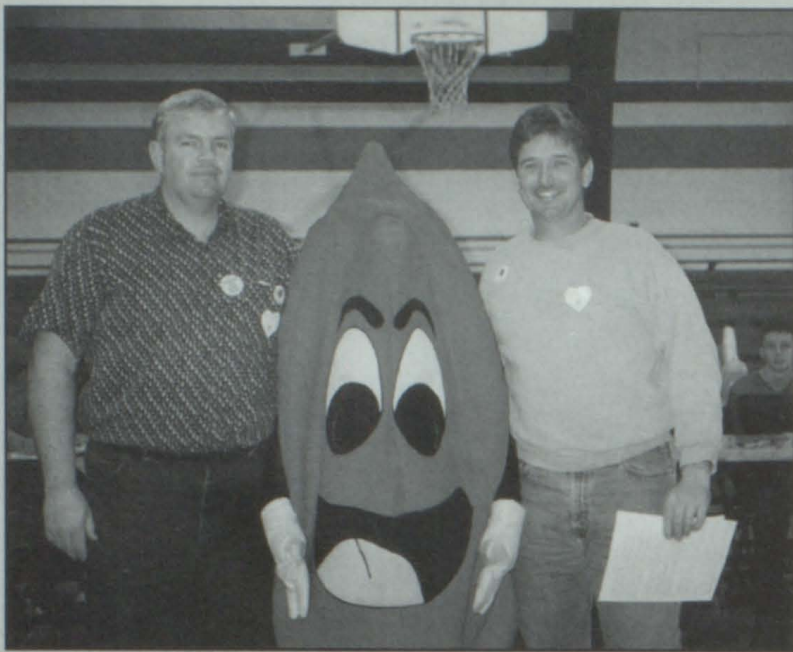
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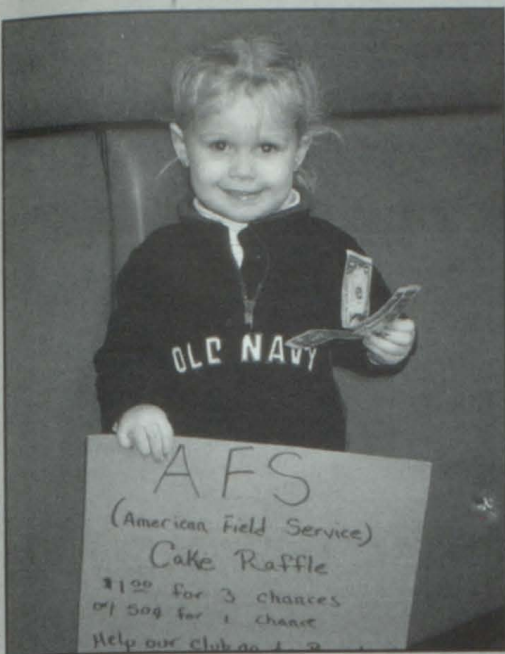


FRESHMAN CLASS OF 2003





Organizations



AFS Club

By: Brock Miller

AFS is involved with many different activities. Every year the AFS club presents a play, this years play was "Pillow Talk." Cathy Good, the leader of the group, said "She was nervous about having only two ladies that had any acting experience and I felt after our opening night jitters on Friday, we were able to put on a good show Saturday night." They held many different fund raisers such as the taco supper, cake raffles, and selling yard stones with the schools symbol engraved. This year's AFS trip was to Boston. The kids attending pooled their money from the fund raisers to be able to go.



Front Row: Jennifer Howe, Stephanie Dial, Stacey Serdahl, Kelle Thompson, Amanda Gillam, Tiffany Peugh, Rudl Gall. Second Row: Michael Bennett, Rachel Ellerbroek, Rachel Edwards, Brandi Hartman, Jenny Hand, Stephanie Higgins, Brandy Myers, Lisa Noard, Robin Lenoci. Third Row: Marius Lichtendahl, April Bennett, Magda Diaz, Rikkea Nikurautio, Megan Shuttwell, Brock Miller, Noah Blindt, Traci Link, Marissa Cole. Fourth Row: Jenny Peterson, Chris Droste, Shawna McKinney, Sara Hull, Austin Ferch. Fifth Row: Sonya Eldridge, Amber Koch, Rafael Girardon, Joey Schrader, Kris Bailey, Tyler Lutz.

AFS Exchange Students

By: Brock Miller

Union has had an excellent crop of foreign exchange students this year. Marius, Rafael, Rikkea, and Magda all fit in well at Union High. Marius was involved in basketball, baseball, golf, and was the ladies man of the group. Magda ran in track and participated in pompon squad and AFS. She loved this year in America: the food, Rikkea, and her host family. She missed her real family, too. Rikkea participated in AFS, Volleyball, Basketball, and track. She loved the time she spent with Magda and her host family. Rafael was actively involved in art club and Track. Raf was also in a band outside of school. He will never forget his trip To Hawaii and the hospitality of his host family.



This Year's AFS Foreign exchange students are Marius Lichtendahl from Holland, Magda Diaz from Costa Rica, Rikkea Nikurautio from Finland, and Rafael Girardon from Brazil. These students will be missed by the Union High school student body.

Lincoln Trail Art Festival



Front Row: Sarah Sanning and Kim Buster, Second Row: Gary Gutzman, Jon Waterman, Michael Anderson, Marius Lichtendahl, Brandy Myers, and Stephanie Dial.
Not Pictured: Rafael Girardon, Sara Mackey, Nicky Hernandez, Ozzie Lira, Michelle Torrance, Eric McIntyre, and Brandi Gemmell.

By: Brad Judd

The Lincoln Trail Art Festival was held April 18th at Carl Sandburg College. Annawan High School hosted the event. Students were able to attend various workshops while the artwork was judged. Union placed 1st overall out of 10 different schools participating by receiving the most ribbons given in twenty categories!

Receiving First Place:

Michael Anderson, Stephanie Dial, Nicky Hernandez, Sarah Sanning, Sara Mackey(2), Michelle Torrance,

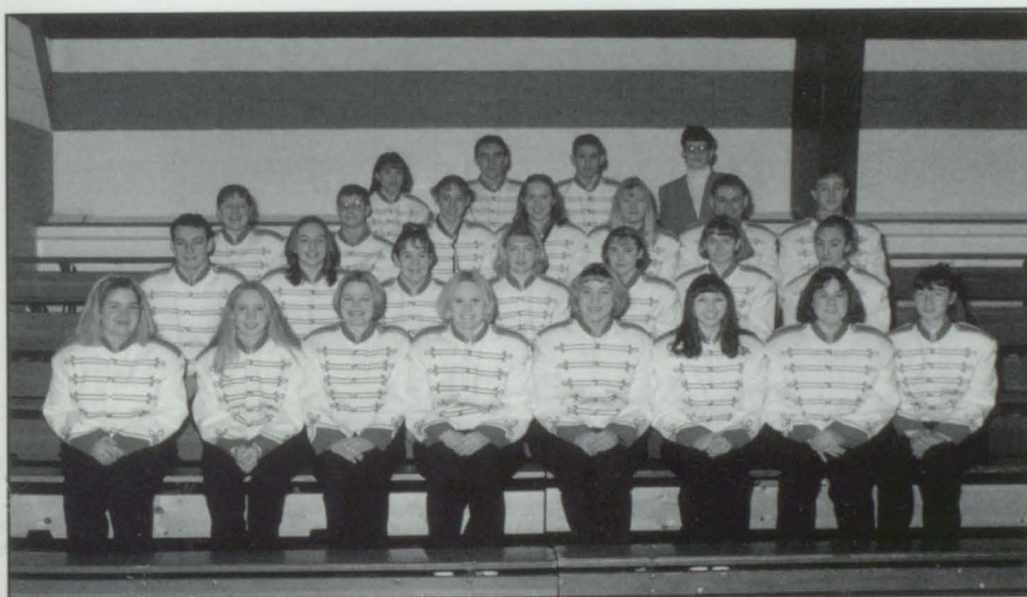
Receiving Second Place:

Ozzie Lira, and Jon Waterman.

Receiving Third Place:

Sarah Sanning, Gary Gutzman, Kim Buster, and Rafael Girardon.

Band



Front Row: Sara Rima, Brooke Simpson, Brooke Priesman, Stacey Serdahl, Michelle Kane, Marissa Cole, Patricia Jean Weber, Mary Hawkins. Second Row: Scott Blindt, Heather Randall, Hollie Hedden, Jenny Peterson, Amber Kay, Brandi Gall, Mindy Peterman. Third Row: Jamie Eaton, Zach Oiler, Stephanie Higgins, Megan Shutwell, Stacey Hays, Chris Clark, Brian Dunn. Fourth Row: Kelsey Olson, Michael Hendrickson, Justin Thompson, and Director Jennifer Hexom.

By: Brock Miller

This year, like many others, the UHS band was very busy. At the beginning of the year the band entertained the local football enthusiastic at halftime with their disco theme. The marching band was led by senior Brooke Priesman. The Pep band also played at several of the home boy's and girl's games. The band had their annual Christmas and Spring concerts. During this year's Fine Arts Extravaganza the band played music fitting the theme. There is also a few talented band members who will compete at the Solo and Ensemble contest. The best students in the class have been invited to participate in the honor band at Bradley, St. Ambrose, and the LTC Band festival.

Biology Bowl

By: Tyler Lutz

The 1999-2000 Biology Bowl team consisted of Brooke Priesman, Sarah Sanning, Joey Shrader, Chase Nichols, and Rudl Gall. They competed on April 14, at Western Illinois University. Mrs. Zlgar and Mr. Robinson chaperoned the group throughout their day at WIU. The University's Biology department also presented informative displays which covered a wide array of life science topics. After three rounds of competition, Union placed third out of the fourteen schools who competed.



First Row: Chase Nichols, Brooke Priesman, Joey Shrader. Second Row: Sarah Sanning, and Rudl Gall. Third Row: Mr. Robinson.

Choir

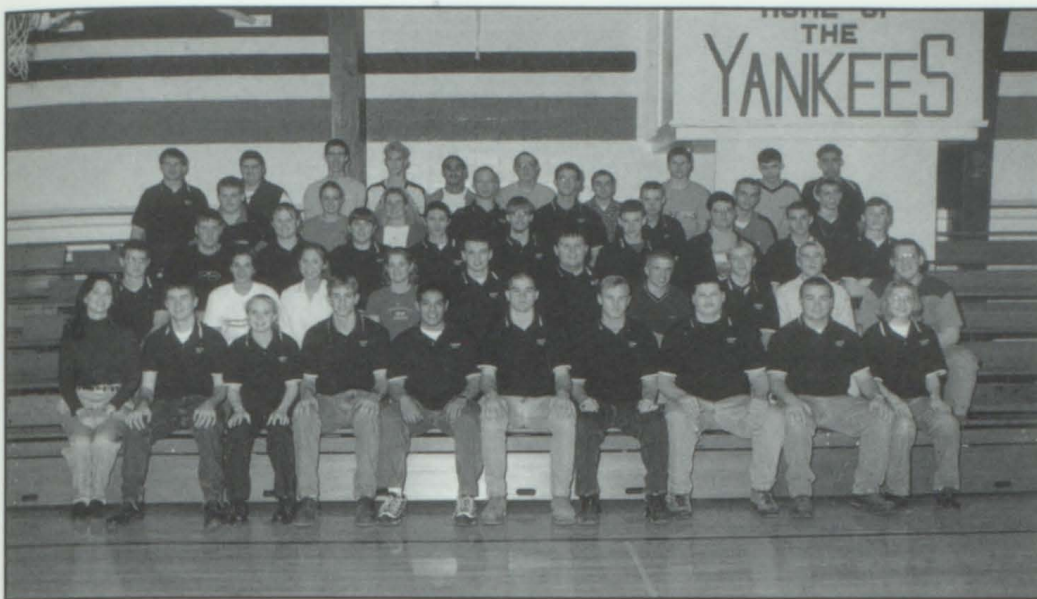
By: Tyler Lutz

The 1999-2000 Union High School Choir started the year off with a performance at Union's open house. The Choir had several students attend the IMEA Festival in late November, as well as some participants in the IHSA Choral Contest. They performed in the Christmas Concert, during the Fine Arts Extravaganza, in the musical, and at the Regional Choral Contest. This year's Choir was an exceptional one, with every member contributing substantially. They look to have another good group next year with many returning members.



First Row: Lacy Hastings, Brian Ismail, Lindy Miller, Jodi Mueller, April Bennet, Rachel Fye. Second Row: Jessica McVey, Rob Hendrickson, Cody Thacker, Jenny Hand, Tiffany Fisher, Kim Buster. Third Row: Austin Ferch, Lauren Hester, Tyler Ferch, Nicole Lenoci, Rachel Ellerbroek, Samantha Robbins. Fourth Row: Sarah Sells, Jenna Cummings, Whitney Metler, Tashika Arrington, Heather Hartman, Tara Gerhardt.

FFA Club



First Row: Mrs. Heavner, Kris Bailey, Brooke Simpson, Landon Lox, Ozzle Lira, Matt Seltz, Wayne Carlson, Cale Evans, Shawn Lain, Toni Miller. Second Row: Kevin Byers, Jenny Howe, Stephanie Dial, Kelle Thompson, Scott Blindt, Kyle Pruett, Ty Dermer, Brandon Bleiser, Joe Law, Justin Parsons. Third Row: Chad Forbes, Lindsay Pruett, Sara Mackey, Beau Morris, Chris Droste, Austin Chandler, Cody Evans, Brandon Priesman, Landon Walters. Fourth Row: Josh Goff, Tracie John, Sara Rima, Brad Bigger, Brian Byers, Chad Ferguson, Chris Ator, Tray Shrewbirt. Fifth Row: David Rolland, Arley Peterson, Jon Waterman, Eric McIntyre, Joey Shradar, Danny Link, Terry Shradar, Austin Ferch, Tanner Bigger, Brandon Ware.

By: Tyler Lutz

This was a great year for Union's Future Farmers of America program. With 57 members, this year's FFA was Union High's largest organization. The FFA participated in many activities throughout the year, including judging contests, exchanges, food drives, and both State and National conventions. Mrs. Heavner was the group's sponsor this year, and Ozzle Lira served as President. Brooke Simpson was the Vice President, Secretary was Wayne Carlson, Treasurer was Landon Lox, the Reporter was Matt Seltz, Sentinel was Kris Bailey, and the Historian was Cale Evans.

ICTM



First Row: Chase Nichols, Noah Blindt, Brooke Priesman, Stacey Serdahl, Traci Link, Joey Shradar. Second Row: Mr. Schimmin, P.J. Weber, Sara Sanning, Megan Shutwell, Lisa Noard, Rachel Edwards. Third Row: Mrs. Meyer, Valerie Blake, Chris Droste, Jon Waterman.

By: Tyler Lutz

On February 26, 2000 the Union High School ICTM Mathematics Team competed at the Regional Contest at Western Illinois University in Macomb, Illinois. The team made a strong showing with many of its members attending and doing very well. The team ended up placing fifth, with Chase Nichols, Sara Sanning, Lisa Noard, and Rachel Edwards each winning blue ribbons for highest score in their respective events.

Math Club

By: Zach Wood

This is the second year that the Union Math Club has taken the Mathfax Contests. This year thirty-four students took part in at least one of the four contests. This years award winners are: Advance Math- **First:** Chase Nichols, **Second:** Chris Droste, and **Third:** Jonathan Waterman. Algebra 2- **First:** Kim Buster, **Second:** Lisa Board, and **Third:** was a tie between Marissa Cole & Michelle Kane. Geometry-**First:** Cole Nichols, **Second:** Tyler Nelson, and **Third:** Jenny Hand. Algebra 1- **First:** Valerie Blake, **Second:** Matthew Wagy, and **Third:** was a tie between Bryan Dunn & Megan Wagy.



First Row: Chase Nichols, Noah Blindt, Brooke Priesman, Joey Shradler. Second Row: Mr. Shlmmmin, Sarah Sanning, Valerie Blake, Megan Shutwell, Lisa Board, Cole Nichols. Third Row: Amanda Henry, Chris Droste, Jon Waterman, Jennifer Hand, Terri John, Rachel Edwards. Fourth Row: Justin Parsons.

National Honor Society

By: Zach Wood

The 1999-2000 National Honor Society had a very eventful year. Early in the fall and in the spring the students did cleanup off highway 164. This year the students tutored elementary and Jr. High children. The students helped at Target's Senior Citizens Day, as well. The National Honor Society held a celebration in April for a "Millennium Reunion". All the previous members were invited. There have been 306 honorary members inducted into the National Honor Society at Union High School since its beginning in 1973. Union is very proud to have an active National Honor Society.



First Row: Heather Randall, P.J. Weber, Brandy Myers, Brooke Priesman, Rudi Gall, Holly Simmons, Megan Shutwell. Second Row: Amanda Henry, Austin Chandler, Brad Judd, Kris Bailey, Tyler Lutz, Mrs. Brokaw.

Scholastic Bowl



First Row: Brandy Myers, Brooke Priesman, April Ash. Second Row: Rachel Ellerbroek, Amy Chandler, P.J. Weber, Stephanie Higgins, Megan Shutwell, Lisa Noard. Third Row: Amber McVey, Sarah Sanning, Amanda Henry, Noah Blindt, Sonya Eldridge, Cole Nichols. Fourth Row: Chris Droste, Jon Waterman, Justin Parsons.

By: Zach Wood

The Union High School Scholastic Bowl team had a challenging season in 2000! The team participated in several local matches as well as the Lincoln Trail Conference Tournament this year. The team had many new members, but handled themselves well and learned a great deal in the process. The Senior leaders were April Ash, Brandy Myers, and Brooke Priesman. Brooke served as the Varsity team captain this year and did a terrific job at that!

Spanish Bowl



First Row: Brandy Myers, Stacey Serdahl, Brooke Priesman, Rudl Gall, April Ash. Second Row: Amanda Henry, P.J. Weber, Sarah Sanning, Megan Shutwell, Lisa Noard. Third Row: Mary Hawkins, Rachel Edwards, Rachel Ellerbroek, Cole Nichols, Jessica McVey, Travis Shafer, Michelle Kane, Sonya Eldridge.

By: Zach Wood

Union High School Spanish students participated in the Foreign Language Festival at WLU on Tuesday, April 11th. The Festival has many other contests and activities along with the Quiz bowl. The Spanish 3 class performed a skit entirely in Spanish and received 4th place. The Spanish 1, 2, & 4 students competed in the Quiz bowl as well. In another competition, Rachel Edwards and Sonya Eldridge recited poetry. The students did well and we hope to continue to participate in the Festival.

Student Council

By: Noah Blindt

The 1999-2000 Spanish Club had a very busy year. They performed a skit for Homecoming activities, and in the winter they went to Peoria to see the Ballet Folklórico Mexicano. Also the Spanish Club ate at the "Jalisco Mexican Restaurant," an authentic Mexican restaurant in Galesburg. The trip allowed the students to experience a bit of Mexican culture. In December students made posters and painted windows to provide some holiday spirit. During this time the Spanish Club raised money to fund the annual Sno-ball Dance. The dance took place at Hend.-CO.-Hills on Feb. 12th.



Front Row: Brandy Myers, Brooke Priesman, Chase Nichols, Rudi Gall, April Ash, Dizzle Lira, Tiffany Peugh, Amanda Gillam. Second Row: Lisa Noard, Kris Bailey, Stephanie Higgins, Marissa Cole, Megan Shuttwell, Michelle Kane, Brenda Carnes, Traci Link, Donny Billingsley, Tyler Lutz. Third Row: Terri John, Amber McVey, Cole Nichols, Bryan Dunn, Jodi Mueller, Megan Waggy.

Speech Team

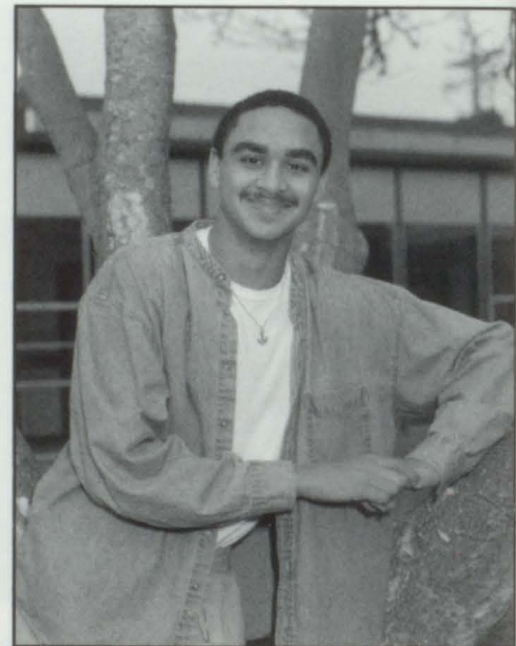
By: Rudi Gall

Joey was the only returning speech member this year. He has improved tremendously with his poise and in his presentation. He still has a lot of work to do, but next year Joey should be quite successful and very competitive.

There was not a huge interest in the speech team but there are some interested freshmen looking forward to next year's season.

Most memorable moments
for Joey:

"Winning the Lincoln Trail
Conference Tournament for
2000."



The one and only speech member: Joey Shrader.



Spanish Club



Front Row: Brooke Priesman, Rudi Gall. **Second Row:** Lisa Noard, Sarah Sanning, Amanda Henry, Brandy Myers, Tiffany Peugh, Amanda Gillam, Chase Nichols, Matt Seltz, Brenda Carnes. **Third Row:** Stephanie Higgins, P.J. Weber, Megan Shutwell, Jenny Howe, Stephanie Dial, Kelle Thompson, Stacey Serdahl, Tyler Lutz, Kris Bailey, Landon Lox, Chad Ferguson. **Fourth Row:** Terri John, Jenny Hand, Travis Shafer, Rachel Ellerbroek, Chelsea Rippenkroeger, Holly Hedden, April Ash, Michelle Kane, Marissa Cole, Kyle Pruett. **Fifth Row:** Sara Sells, Rachel Edwards, Robyn Lenoci, Amber McVey, Cole Nichols, Mary Hawkins, Jessica McVey, Sonya Eldridge, David Rolland.

By: Noah Blindt

Student Council had 26 members this year. They coordinated Homecoming and Springfest activities as well as having two blood drives, a walk-a-thon, and a variety of other fund-raising activities. Spirit Week for Homecoming 1999 had an unusual twist... the dance had to be postponed due to a power outage! Also the Student Council helped raise a school record of over \$700.00 that was donated to Toys for Tots at Christmas due to a friendly rivalry during the Penny Jar Wars. Student Council members worked hard to make this a fun and exciting year for UHS Students.

WYSE Team



Front Row: Brandy Myers, Stacey Serdahl, Brooke Priesman, Joey Shrader. **Second Row:** Amanda Henry, P.J. Weber, Sarah Sanning, Megan Shutwell, Lisa Noard. **Third Row:** Mr. Shimmmon, Chase Nichols, Cole Nichols, Chris Droste, Grant VanTine.

By: Noah Blindt

On February 26, 2000 the ICTM Mathematics Team competed at the Regional Contest at WIU in Macomb, Illinois. Students that attended were: Chase Nichols, Brooke Priesman, Stacey Serdahl, Chris Droste, Megan Shutwell, P.J. Weber, Joey Shrader, Kim Buster, Sarah Sanning, Noah Blindt, Lisa Noard, Valerie Blake, Rachel Edwards, and Jon Waterman. The team placed fifth.

Some of the stand outs of the tournament are Chase Nichols for Pre-Calculus, Sarah Sanning in Algebra II, Lisa Noard in Geometry, and Rachel Edwards for Algebra.

Written By:

Rudi Gall

Publications is a class that requires a person to be eager, creative and open minded. With only three returning seniors, the underclassmen and other seniors have stepped up to accept the responsibilities of this class. We, as individuals have learned that in order to produce this book, we not only have to do our own separate jobs, but we have to come together and work as a team to polish all the details. The exceptional thing about our group is that if



one fails to do their job, there is always someone waiting to help out and carry their load. One person who deserves most of the credit for keeping the class in line and focused on what we need to do is our sponsor, Mr. Fisher. He is a wonderful teacher and is very capable of his job. The senior will be missed, but the strong junior members are sure to step up and assume responsibilities.

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Editor: Rudi Gall

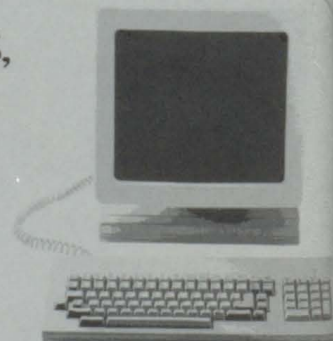
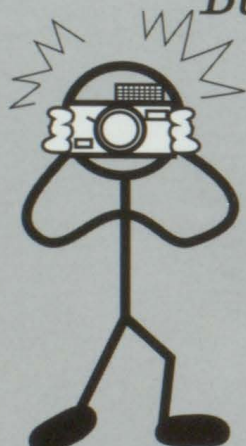
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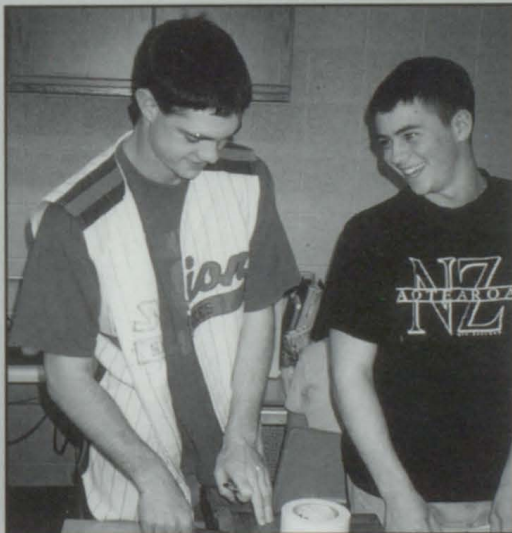
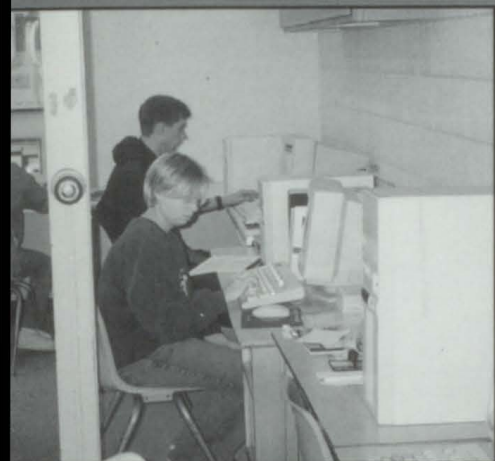
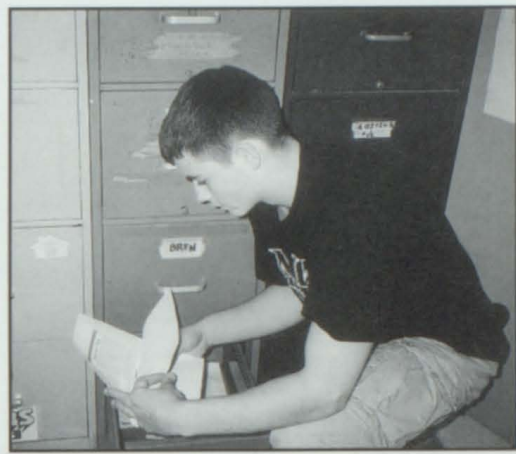
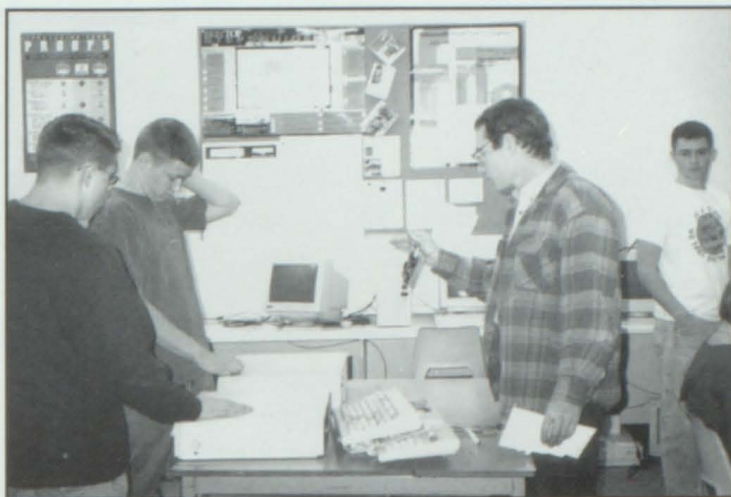
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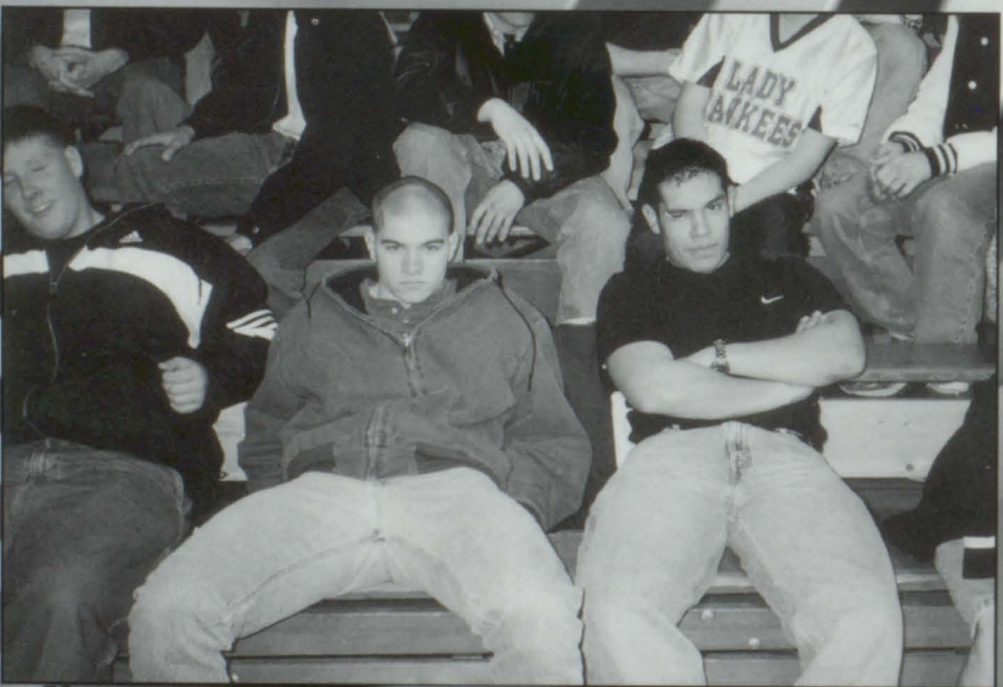
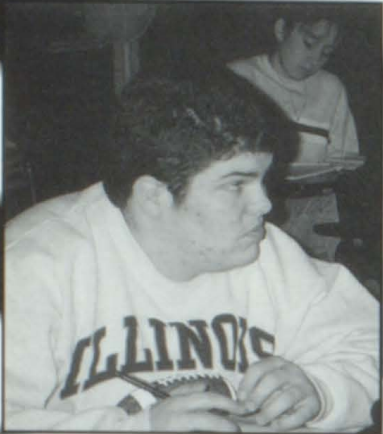
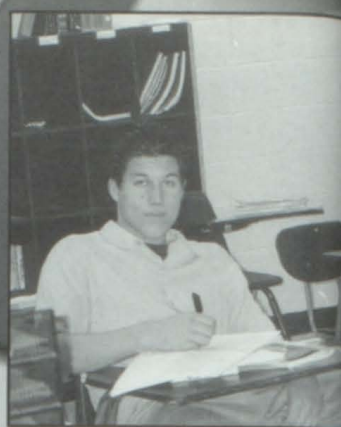
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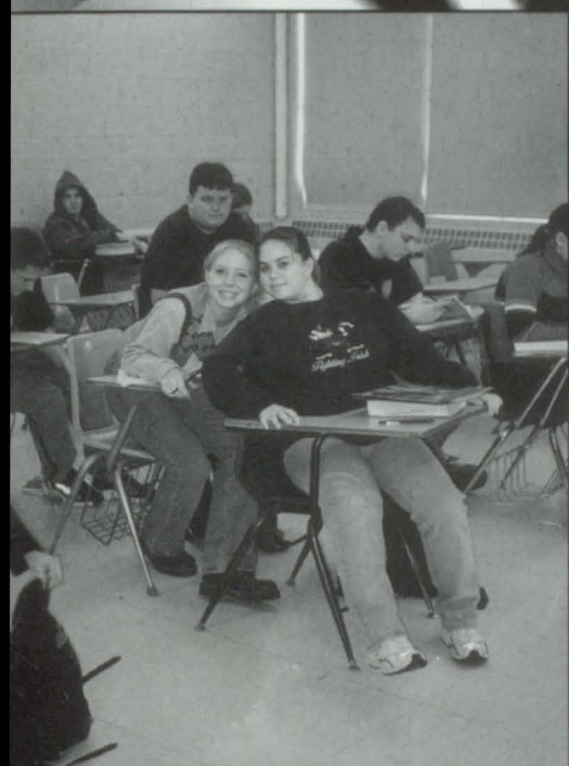
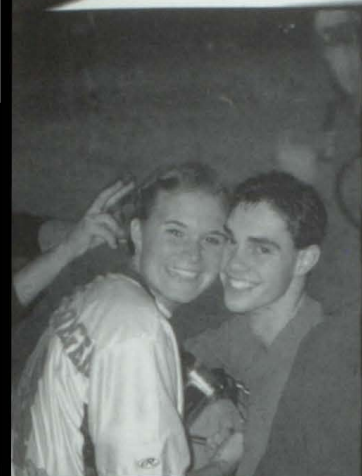
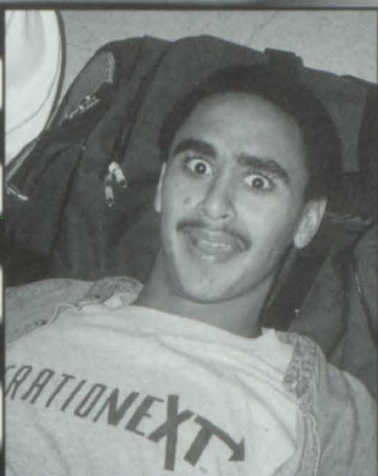


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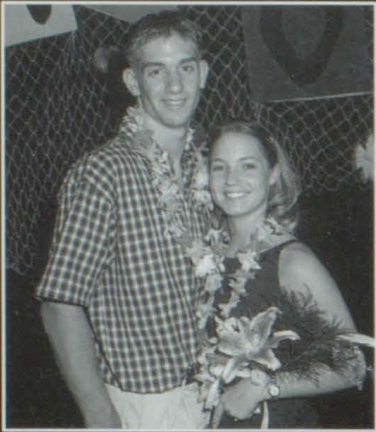
Student Life



Homecoming 1999



Landon Lox & Rudi Gall



Chase Nichols & Stacey Serdahl



Stephanie Dial & Ozzie Lira



1999 Homecoming King & Queen
Ozzie Lira and Rudi Gall

Eric McIntyre & Brandi Gemmel

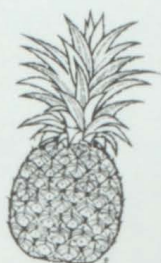


1999 Homecoming Court



The night the....

Junior Attendants:
Zach Wood &
Heather Randall



Sophomore Attendants:
Tyler Ferch &
Amber Koch



Freshman Attendants:
Beau Morris &
Chelsea Rippenkroeger



"Heaven"

This years Homecoming was definitely like no other! The Student Council chose a Hawaiian theme and spent many hours of planning. They went all out with decorations! The gym has never looked so good! Unfortunately there was a power outage and the "lights went out," leaving the dance to be postponed. The second dance was a lot of fun too, even without the awesome decorations the student body had a great time. Events for Homecoming Week were Hawaiian day, Pajama day, Kindergarten day, Spirit day, and Nerd/Cross-Dress day. Everyone's participation made this year's Homecoming a definite success!



Sara Mackey, Amanda Henry, April Bennett, and Sarah Sanning show off their skills on the dance floor.



Senior Matt Seitz leads the Varsity team through the banner at the beginning of this years Homecoming game while getting support from the Pom Pon squad.



These Yankee fans always showed their devotion, spirit, and yelling ability at all of the football games!



At the second Homecoming dance, Steph Dial, Nick Shutwell, and Stacey Serdahl prove they know how to get down and freaky.



Creativity and enthusiasm along with school spirit was definitely shown by the homerooms when creating these really cool posters for the game.



Tiffany Fisher, Lacy Hastings, Felicia Eaton, and Jenny Peterson grind away at the Homecoming dance.



lights went out!



Parading around the field, last years Homecoming King Jeremy Meyer and Queen Ashley Kopf return to honor this year's royalty.



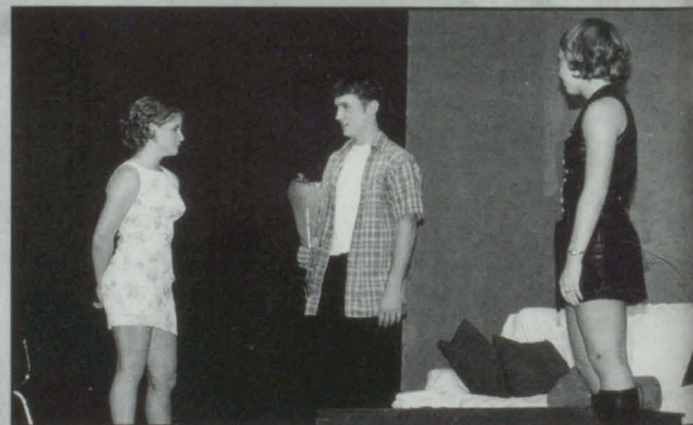
Very laid back, Kris Baily and Brad Judd seem to be chillin' while watching everybody else out on the dance floor.

Union's AFS Club Presents: "Pillow Talk"

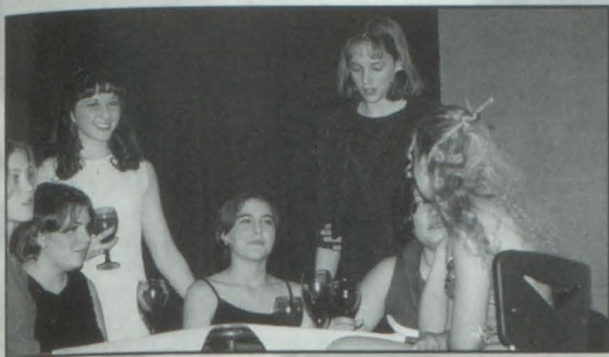
This year's AFS Play was a comedy/romance featuring Rudi Gall as a single interior decorator named Jan Morrow and Kris Bailey, a popular songwriter named Brad Allen. The two fight over a party line telephone because Brad is always trying to flatter women. Jan gets sick of his long calls and takes the matter to the telephone company. A mutual friend named Jonathan Forbes falls in love with Jan but finds out she's in love with "Rex Stetson," who is portrayed by Brad Allen. Jonathan expects that Jan doesn't love him and in the end "Rex" and Jan end up together. This was an exciting & humorous production. Director Cathy Good and Student Director Tiffany Peugh spent many hours rehearsing lines with the cast. Aside the play, the AFS took a trip to Boston Massachusetts to participate in a short term exchange. The group was fun and unique and the seniors will be missed greatly!



Brock "Jonathan" Miller tries to persuade Marius Lichtendahl to haul Kris "Brad" Bailey off to jail because he's holding Jan, the love of his life.



Brad Allen, played by Kris Bailey looks nervous when both of his mistresses played by Kellie Thompson and Steph Dial, show up at the same time.



Amber, April, Marissa, Jenny, Stephanie, Sonya and Tracie show their "extra" abilities while looking entertained in the night club scene.



Traci "Marie" Link talks on the telephone to Rex hoping to win a date with him.



Joey "Pierot" Shrader tries not to get frustrated while attempting to please Brandy "Mrs. Walters" Myers with her re-decorating.



Amanda "Alma" Gillam sets down the phone after catching all the gossip by secretly listening in on Jan's phone conversation.



Kris "Rex" Bailey gets into a heated discussion with Rudi "Jan" Gall over their party-line telephone.



Lisa "Mrs. Conrad" Noard listens as an angry Mrs. Morrow tells her about Brad's inappropriate calls.



Cast

Jan Morrow.....Rudi Gall
 Brad Allen.....Kris Bailey
 Rex Stetson.....Kris Bailey
 Jonathan Forbes.....Brock Miller
 Alma.....Amanda Gillam
 Pierot.....Joey Shrader
 Mrs. Walters.....Brandy Myers
 Eileen.....Stephanie Dial
 Yvette.....Kellie Thompson
 Marie.....Traci Link
 Miss Conrad.....Lisa Noard
 Tony Walters.....Tyler Ferch
 Graham.....Chris Droste
 Policeman..Marius Lichtendahl
 Mrs. Frost.....Marissa Cole
 Mrs. Ames...Stephanie Higgins
 Miss Dickenson...Robyn Lenoci
 Club Singer.....Magda Diaz
 Tilda.....Riikka Nikurautio
 Ann.....Rachel Ellerbroek
 Bessie.....Jamie Eaton
 Supervisor.....Jenny Howe
 Operator.....Megan Shutwell
 Man.....Tyler Lutz

Stage Hands & Extras

Tracie John * April Bennett
 Amber Koch * Sonya Eldridge
 Shawna McKinney * Tyler Lutz
 Tiffany Fisher * Noah Blindt
 Scott Blindt * Megan Shutwell
 Jenny Peterson * Jenny Hand
 Michael Bennett * Sara Hull

-Student Director-

Tiffany Peugh

-Director-

Cathy Good

Sno- Ball 2000







“Amazed”

The annual Sno-Ball Dance was at Hend-Co Hills on Saturday, February 12 at 7 p.m. The theme for the dance was “Amazed” by LoneStar. The Spanish Club sponsored the dance and the decorations were awesome!

Coronation was at 10 p.m. and Chase Nichols and Stacey Serdahl were crowned King and Queen at 10:30. This year's Sno-Ball was a great success. A special thanks to Miss Rakers. You did an excellent job as a first year sponsor.



King and Queen:
Chase Nichols and
Stacey Serdahl

Candidates.....



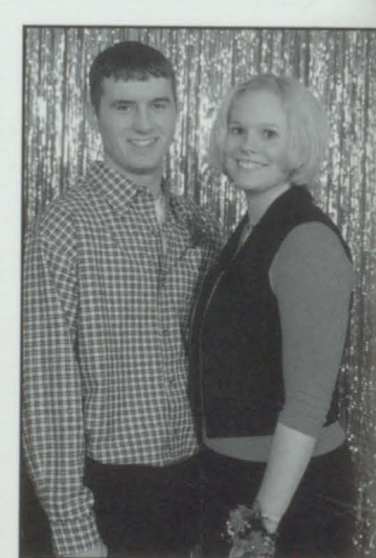
Brandy Myers and
Adam Boyle



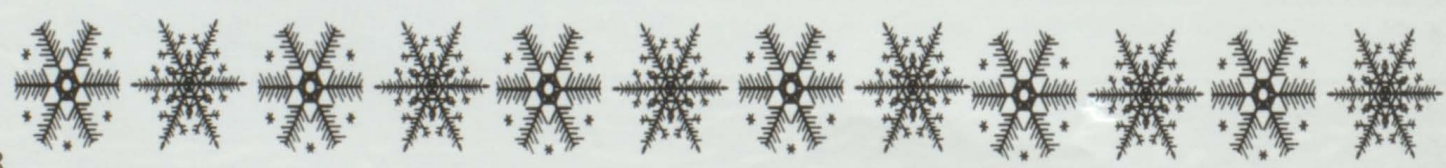
Chase Nichols and
Brooke Priesman



Tiffany Peugh and
Tyler Lutz



Stacey Serdahl and
Kris Bailey





Jessica Dutton and Betty Jo Bigger show their feelings on "traditional couples only."



Getting lucky with the ladies Shawn Lain dances the night away.



Brock Miller and Megan Shutwell prove that they can have a swingin' good time.



Bringing out her playful side, Robyn Lenoci sticks her tongue out while dancing with her boyfriend.



Rusty Garner and Stacey Hays take a time-out to smile for the camera.



Jessica McVey and Zach Blauer slow down the pace at Sno-Ball.

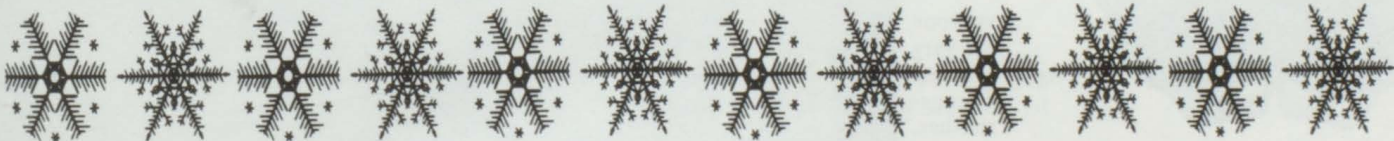


Dateless and Desperate, Rudi Gall and Tiffany Peugh dance together to the theme song "Amazed."

Royalty



2000 Sno-Ball Court



Spring Musical of 2000

This year's Spring musical was named "Robin Hood". It was directed by Dawn Ferguson, and the lead roles were played by Brooke Priesman, who portrayed, "Robin Hood," and Tyler Ferch as "Little John."

The actors in the musical are very talented and they played their parts extremely well. Cody Thacker as "Friar Tuck," was magnificent. His character was very memorable, and was very amusing. Another high point was Rachel Ellerbroek playing the role of "Beth." She was astounding.

The play, as a whole, was performed greatly. Like any play it had its down points, but overall the actors did wonderful. Mrs. Ferguson also showed her talent as a distinguished director.

Brooke Priesman did an exquisite job playing Robin Hood. Not only did she steal from the rich and give to the poor, but she could sing



"Friar Tuck," (Cody Thacker), restrains "Robin Hood," (Brooke Priesman), for a moment.



Will Scarlet, (Rob Hendrickson) holds up "Soldier #3," (Micheal Bennet) in Sherwood Forest trespassing on their land.



Everyone
was very
eager to work
with one-
another.



Kim Buster and Sarah Sells have a mother daughter chat. Kim played the "Sheriff's Wife" and Sarah played the "Sheriff's Daughter."



"Lady Merle," played by Rachel Edwards, was a very believable character and is praised for her great job at acting.



Robin Hood

Cast of Characters

Robin Hood.....	Brooke Priesman
Little John.....	Tyler Ferch
Will Scarlet.....	Rob Hendrickson
Merry Little Band Members.....	Lauren Hester
	Jenny Hand
	Nicole Lenoci
	Magda Diaz
Old Widow.....	Rebecca VanTine
Mother Meg.....	Jamie Eaton
Beth.....	Rachel Ellerbroek
Friar Tuck.....	Cody Thacker
King Richard.....	Josh Stokes
Sheriff of Nottingham.....	Nick White
Sheriff's Wife.....	Kim Buster
Salome (Sheriff's Daughter).....	Sarah Sells
Lady Merle.....	Rachel Edwards
Maid Marian.....	Jodi Mueller
Annabel.....	Tiffany Fisher
Kasper of Lincolnshire.....	Lacy Hastings
Soldier #1.....	Jessica McVey
Soldier #2.....	Lacy Hastings
Soldier #3.....	Michael Bennett

Crew Members

Stage Manager.....	Ranita Buster
Lighting/Backstage.....	Lisa Lox
	Brian Ishmael
	Tony Wright
	Tashika Arrington



Jodi Mueller played "Maid Marian" in the play and did a fantastic job.



"Friar Tuck"-(Cody Thacker), "Annabel"-(Tiffany Fisher), and "Maid Marian"-(Jodi Mueller) all acted beautifully.

1999 Prom King and Queen



2000 Prom King and Queen



Ozzie Lira
and Stacey Serdahl

2000 Prom Court

Megan Shutwell
and Tyler Lutz

"Nothing Lasts Forever"

By: Brenda Carnes

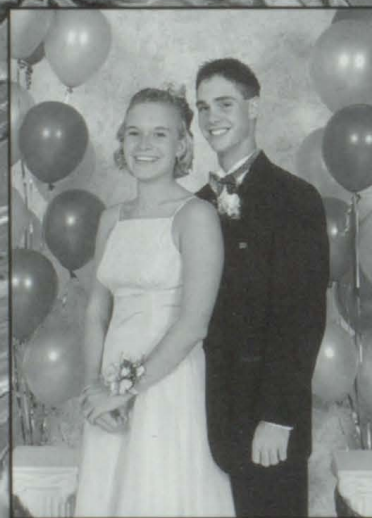
The 2000 Junior-Senior Prom was once again held at Knox College on May 13, 2000. The Lincoln Room was filled with Union High School students and their dates. President of the Junior Class, Kris Bailey started the evening with a welcome speech and then everyone began to eat. As students took pictures to make memories, others watched the senior video, while those a little more courageous began to "Back their things up on the dance floor!" The evening ended with the crowning of the 2000 King and Queen, Tyler Lutz and Megan Shutwell.



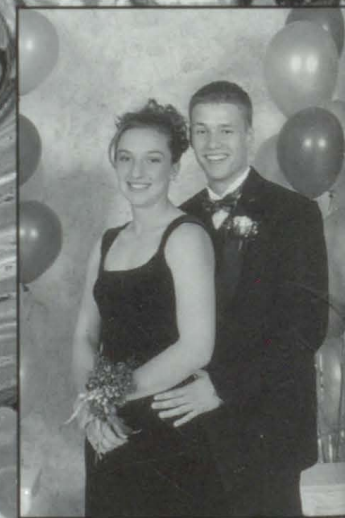
Kris Bailey and
Holly Simmons



Brock Miller and
Megan Shutwell



Zach Wood and
Season Rippenkroeger



Tyler Lutz and
Heather Randall

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Union Golf

Year after year of golf excellence

By: Brock Miller and Katie Jones

The 1999 golf season was a very successful year. The team was comprised of a very strong senior class. A large crop of freshman also showed many good signs of things to come. The Lincoln Trail dished out some great competition for both boys and girls.

Despite the competition, the Yankees still found themselves at the top. The Lady Yanks captured the first four places in the Lincoln Trail Tournament. Joe Law also had the low score winning the L. T. C. T. for the boys. Tiffany Peugh and Lindsey Pruett advanced to sectionals in the state golf tournament and took

4th place. On all fronts the golf program at Union has evolved into a powerhouse. A powerhouse that will stay very strong for years to come.

Special Moments

Marius Lichtendahl: Hitting 3 moving vehicles, 2 parked cars, a guy on a lawn mower and a school bus all during regular meets. **Tiffany Peugh:** Using the word "curd" inconspicuously, all the bus trips with Sara, Brooke and Lindsey, proving our natural noise making talents, and the encouragement from the rest of the team! Ha ha!

Lindsey taps in the birdie putt on the seventh hole at Hend-Co.



Blowing in the win, Tracie John mers the ball off the tee.



Despite missing the ball on this chipshot, in front of the Hend Co Hills club house, Sara still helped the Lady Yankees to victory after victory.

The two ladies that constantly got better and better every meet.

Brooke Simpson and Tiffany Peugh are two seniors that contributed to the Yankees every time they stepped onto the course.



Seniors: Sara Rima, Brooke Simpson, Marius Lichtendahl, Traci John, Joe Law. **Not Pictured:** Tiffany Peugh. This years seniors were all standouts. Many good things made this year fun. Tiffany had an all around great game, and with Brooke's positive attitude and Maruis's good humor, this was definitely a productive season. Not to mention Traci's great efforts and ability to show up late. On to Joe who not only is a great golfer, but knows how to have fun. Senior, Sara Rima was truly an asset to the team as well.

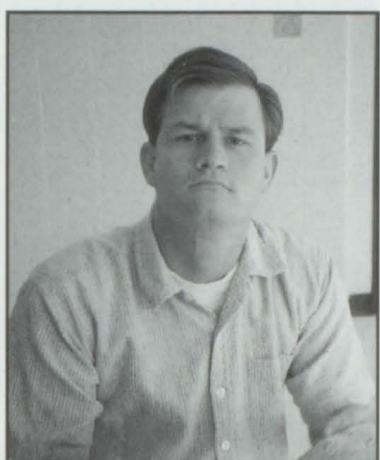
Chris is focused and ready to move on to the next hole, thanks to the encouragement by junior Adam Boyle.



Adam Parsons is all smiles before another great drive. Adam is a great attribute to an already strong team.



"We've got the right one baby," says Marius as he takes a break from working on his longball.



Coach Hurley prepares for the long bus ride to another golf challenge.

Boy's

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Hend-Co
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Wee-Ma-Tuk
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Girl's

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First Row: Lindsey Pruett, Brooke Simpson, Sara Rima, Tracie John. **Second Row:** Michael Bennet, Bryan Dunn, Jon Waterman, Mark DeJames, Arley Peterson. **Third Row:** Coach Mike Hurley, Adam Parsons, Joe Law, Chris Droste, Marius Lichtendahl, Logan Lox, Adam Boyle, Barb Gray. **Not Pictured:** Tiffany Peugh.

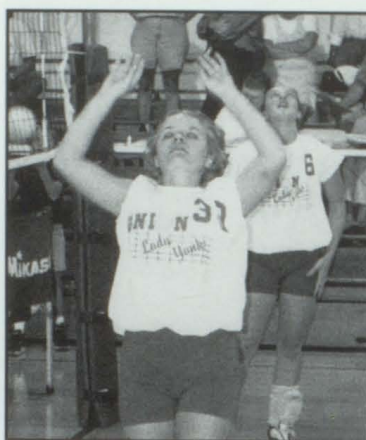
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This year's recipient of the Tony Anderson Award was Heather Randall. Along with this she received a spot on the All-Area Hawk-Eye team and team All-Conference with Stephanie Higgins and Brooke Priesman. Other awarded were Stacey Serdahl, P.J. Weber, Megan Shutwell, Marissa Cole, Michelle Kane, and Lisa Noard all receiving the All Academic Award.



Senior Brooke Priesman places the ball for an assist.



Junior Megan Shutwell makes hitting the ball look so easy!



First Row: Stacey Serdahl, Brooke Priesman, Stephanie Dial, Riikka Nikurautio. **Second Row:** P. J. Weber, Megan Shutwell, Season Rippenkroeger, Holly Simmons, Heather Randall, Brenda Carnes. **Third Row:** Coach Olson, Marissa Cole, Lisa Noard, Stephanie Higgins, Michelle Kane.



Sophomore Stephanie Higgins attempts a kill against Roseville. Stephanie led this year's team with 227 kills.

Thanks to their wonderful cheering section the team was able to intimidate their opponents. "Hey you guys are awesome!"



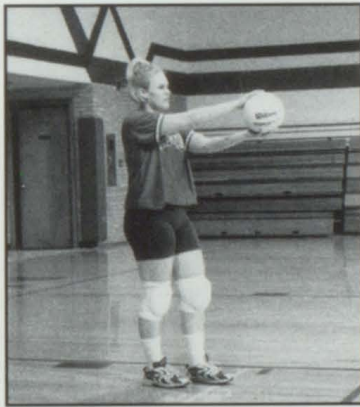
As a tradition before every game the girls pose for a picture before they show their spirit by doing the "roly poly."



Senior Stephanie Dial brings a loose ball back into the court. Stephanie led this years team with 86 digs.



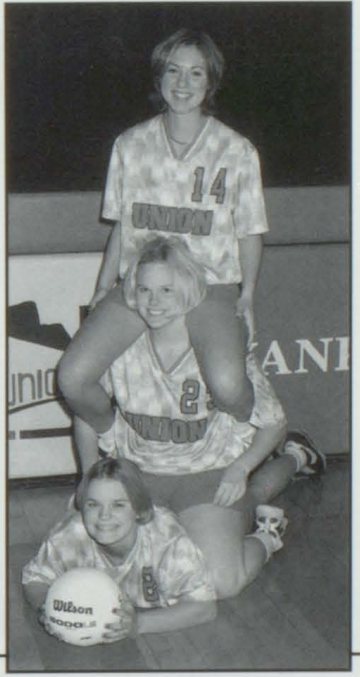
Junior Brenda Carnes places a dig during warm-ups.



Senior Stacey Serdahl pauses before unleashing her awesome serve.

Most Memorable Moments

Brooke Priesman: Chasing the hotties, blue station wagons, Stephanie getting mad at me at Mt. Pulaski, Stacey "jumping up on it," moons over my hammy, and sleeping "commando" with Brenda. **Stacey Serdahl:** The night Heather, Steph, and I went to scope hotties We didn't leave any stones unturned, any blue station wagons overlooked, and hopped curbs. We found the hotties, laid in bed, and took pictures! **Stephanie Dial:** Stacey falling, stalking the hotties, blue station wagons, and our team this year. You guys are the best!



The seniors Brooke Priesman, Stacey Serdahl, and Steph Dial goof around during pictures.

Varsity Volleyball

"As a Team We Take On the World"

By: Brenda Carnes and Zach Wood

Taking on the world was not the only goal of this years team, they also took on the many formidable opponents that comprise the Lincoln Trail Conference. This was the type of season that could have continued indefinitely. The team made the effort to communicate, cooperate and work together to share joy and sorrow.

With the help of the football team, student body and their own teammates they were able to win their Conference Tournament, take second in the Mendon Unity

tournament, win the Conference Championship, as well as take fourth at the Sherrard Tournament.

The team has a lot to be proud of this year. They were always having fun. Along with fun they knew where to draw the line to be a competitive team and enjoy the process of working together. The girls were always yelling to get fired up and everyone knew who the Lady Yanks were and who was a Lady Yank Volleyball player. They had the cheer to prove it!

The key to this team's successful season was friendship and positive attitudes.

J.V. Volleyball

A Step Towards Success!

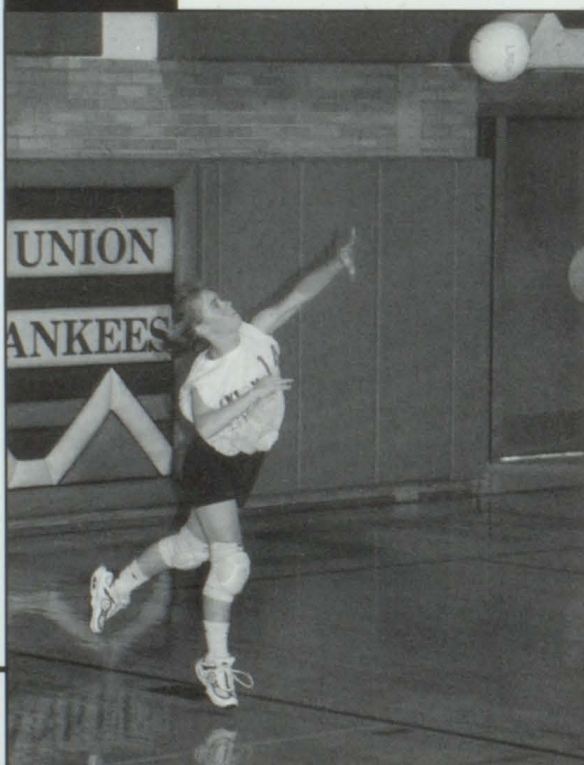
By: Zach Wood and Brenda Carnes

This Years J.V. team worked really hard to gain success. With a young team, leadership of the two captains was essential toward success. Marissa Cole and Lisa Noard the captains of this years team provided the team leadership. Coach Sarah Seitz commented "This group of girls was really great. When they pulled together, they were unstoppable." The team struggled at many points throughout the season with a

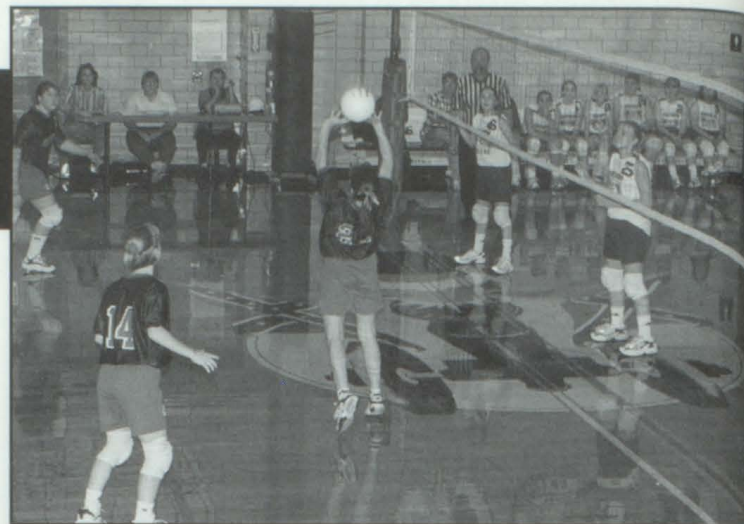
7-16 record.

The Highlight of the season was when the girls beat Westmer in two games. Westmer was undefeated until the Lady Yankees played them. The girls are a very fundamentally sound team with good work ethic. And in a couple of years these girls will be on top. The desire to win and great attitudes will propel the Ladies toward success.

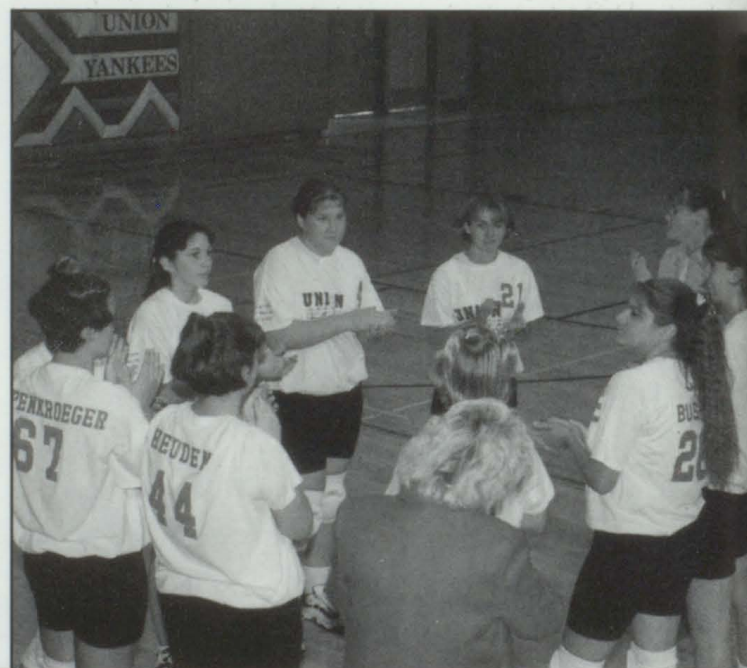
Team player Katie Wood does her best to put her team on top of Cambridge with another stellar serve!



The Southern Belles look in amazement at Marissa Cole's awesome set!



Sophomore Middle Hitter Lisa Noard skies for another kill against our arch rivals, the Roseville Panthers!

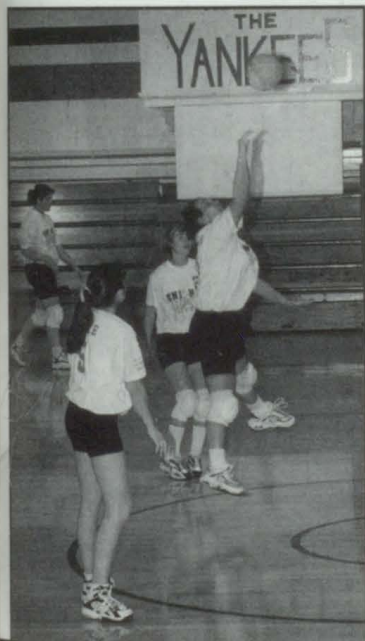


While Coach Seitz talks some strategy to assure a victory, the Lady Yankees get fired up for an exciting match.

Amber McVey gets ready to make a pass as her teammates cover her!



Marissa Cole attempts an assist as teammates Chelsea Rippenkroeger and Katie Wood setup for a kill!



Chealse Rippenkroeger shows off her athletic ability while in warm ups!



Coach Sarah Seitz displays unbridled school Spirit by wearing Brooke Priesman's decorative volleyball cap during a home game!



Before a game, the J.V. Team warms up by displaying their awesome serves!

Scoreboard		7-16
Galva	L	
Wethersfield	L	
Warren	L	
Yorkwood	L	
R.O.W.V.A.	W	
Roseville	L	
Cambridge	W	
Westmer	W	
Princeville	W	
Southern	L	
Alwood	L	
Monmouth	L	
Stark County	L	
Alexis	W	
Annawan	W	



First Row: Brandi Gall, Ranita Buster. Second Row: Hollie Hedden, Amber McVey, Lisa Noard, Chelsea Rippenkroeger, Coach Seitz. Third Row: Katie Wood, Marissa Cole, Alicia Smith.

Scoreboard

1-8

Wethersfield	24-50
Cambridge	8-19
Alwood	26-20
Warren	6-21
Alexis	0-35
Annawan	0-24
Westmer	0-40
R.O.W.V.A.	8-55
Galva	14-35

COACHES: Coach Eric Smith, Coach Steve Arnold, Coach Galen Noard, Coach Brad Crisco.



Alongside Ozzie Lira, Scott Blindt, who was named to the All-Conference Offensive Line, snaps the ball to Chase Nichols during the Yankee's opening game.



Under a full moon, the Yankee defense prepares to put another stop to the Alexis offensive attack during our homecoming game.

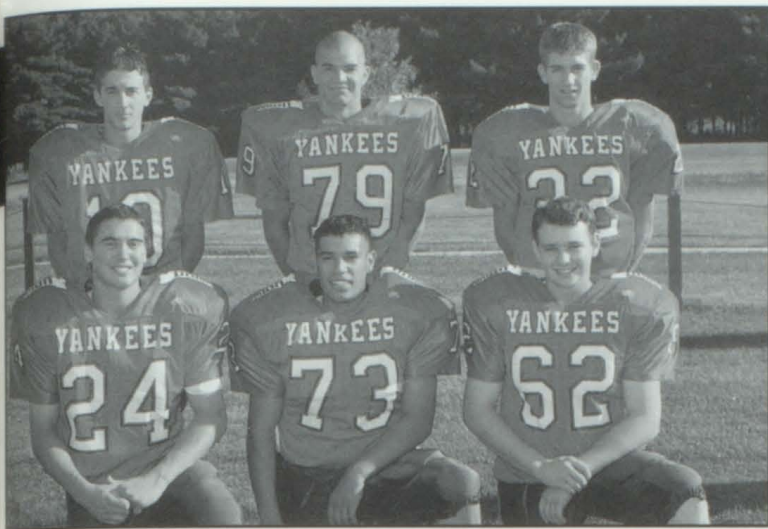


First Row: Charlie Gibson, Wayne Carlson, Tanner Bigger, Landon Walters, Nick Link, Shawn Lain, Tony Wright, Aaron Ferch, Austin Ferch, Dave Rolland, Justin Thompson, Danny Crum. **Second Row:** Coach Smith, Nick Olson, Noah Blindt, Dusty Hass, Justin Waterman, Tyler Ferch, Grant VanTine, Ben Hunter, Tyler Nelson, Chris Root, Brad Judd, Seth Olson, Coach Crisco. **Third Row:** Coach Noard, Tyler Lutz, Zachary Wood, Chase Nichols, Ozzie Lira, Justin Parsons, Matt Sietz, Landon Lox, Joey Koch, Scott Blindt, Mike Anderson, Chad Forbes, Coach Arnold.

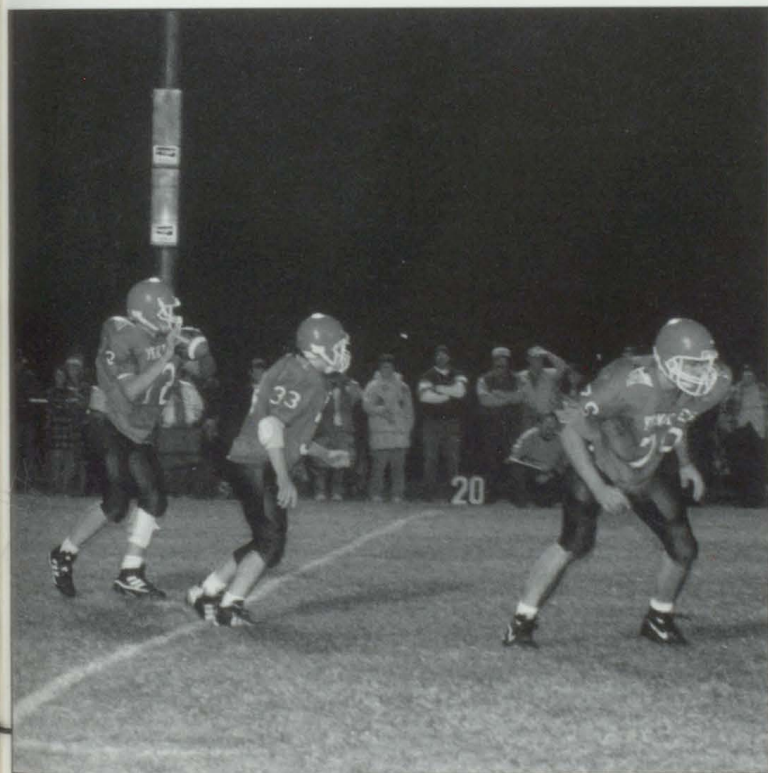


Landon Lox prepares to receive the opening kickoff from Warren.

SENIORS: First Row: Joey Koch, Ozzie Lira, Scott Blindt
Back Row: Chase Nichols, Matt Seitz, Landon Lox.



A swarm of Yankees congratulate Senior Chase Nichols after he scores the first touchdown of the season, it was also the first of Chase's many scores.



Tyler Lutz drops back into the pocket and looks to rack up some more yardage for the Yankee offense. Tyler threw for over 700 yards this year.

Varsity Football

Building for the Future!

By: Landon Lox and Tyler Lutz

This year's Varsity team had a rebuilding season. Juniors made up the bulk of the roster and had a real learning experience.

The lone win of the season was by far the best game of the year. It came against Alwood and the team played great down the stretch.

Even though everyone was disappointed with the outcome of this long season, the entire team had a great deal of fun and the

teammates really came together by the end of the season.

The Yankees had to endure a very difficult season this year. Both injuries and suspensions decimated the roster this year, leaving a very thin Union lineup.

Hopefully next year the Yankee football program will be able to bounce back and have another successful season.



Landon Lox, returning All-Conference Receiver, makes a great catch and leaps over an Alwood defender to score another Yankee touchdown.

J.V. Football

A Year of Learning.

By: BRAD JUDD AND NOAH BLINDT

This year's Junior Varsity football team had a tough season. There was a lack of numbers and a majority of the team were freshman. Though they didn't have big numbers, they had a lot of intensity. They showed this day in and day out by running a scout team against the Varsity.

At the very end of the season they were able to squeeze in a victory against the Galva Wildcats, and a big one at that. Coach Smith had said that if they stuck together and

worked hard they will pull off a win. In the end they finally did against Galva. This team has a lot of potential and if they keep working hard, they can have a very fun filled and successful future.



Cool and calculated, Coach Smith looks on as his Union offense marches down the field to get ready to make their next score.

Late in the game Coach Smith, confident of a victory, peps up the team to only win, but pulverize.



The Yanks' offensive calvary glares at Galva's defense as they prepare run their next play.

Landon Walters finds the open receiver as he is hurried by Galva defenders.



Squirming through the mess, sophomore Ben Hunter finds a hole and kicks it into full gear to punch it in.

Freshman tackle Tanner Bigger lays an astonishing block to open the hole for Sophomore tailback Tyler Ferch to run into.



Scoreboard

1-8

Kewanee/Wethersfield
Cambridge
Alwood
Warren
Alexis
Annawan
Westmer
R.O.W.V.A.
Galva

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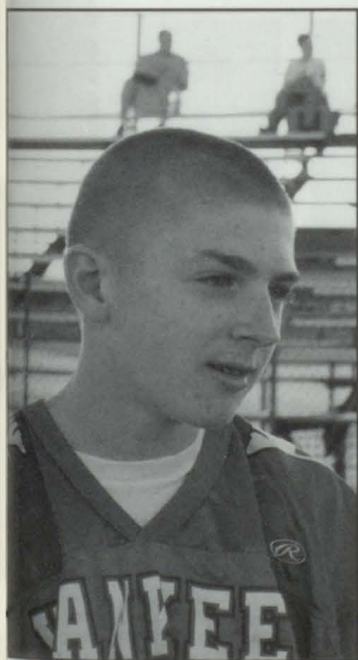
Despite the injury sophomore Chris Root supports his teammates from the sidelines.



Sophomore punter Landon Walters boots a punt deep into the heart of the field.



With Ben Hunter and Chad Forbes plowing a path, Tyler Ferch finds his way to give the Union team a great gain.



Grant VanTine talks about the game strategy with Coach Smith.



First Row: Manager-Charlie Gibson, Nick Link, Shawn Lain, Tony Wright, Aaron Ferch, Austin Ferch, Manager-Danny Crum. **Second Row:** Coach Eric Smith, Justin Waterman, Tyler Ferch, Grant VanTine, Ben Hunter, Tyler Nelson, Chris Root, Coach Brad Crisco. **Third Row:** Coach Galen Noard, Landon Walters, Tanner Bigger, Chad Forbes, Justin Thompson, David Rolland, Coach Steve Arnold.

Marching Band

A Salute to Disco Fever!

By: Stacey Hays and Amanda Essex

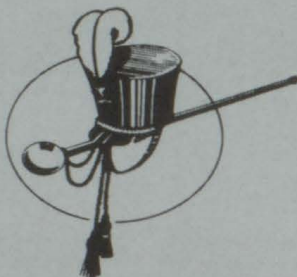
The theme for the 1999 Marching Band was entitled, "Disco Fever." The band continued the tradition of playing at all of the home football games. The band was once again led onto the field by the drum major Brooke Priesman.

The marching band consisted of eight Seniors. They were Brooke Priesman, Stacey Serdahl, Sara Rima, Brooke Simpson, Scott Blindt, Jessica Dutton, Stacey Hays, and Amber Galbraith.

When the band wasn't on the field they still were very active. The band participated in the Heritage Trails Parade in Biggsville and showed a good representation of Union

at the Holiday Parade in Burlington. They also made a special performance at our Open House. Mrs. Hexom had this to say about the marching band season, "We had a great season and we look forward to a great Concert Band Season!"

The band performed the songs "Staying Alive", "I Will Survive", "Disco Fever", and "YMCA".



Band members Heather, Jessica and Jamie wonder when this song will finally be over.



Mary Hawkins, P.J. Weber, and Michelle Kane question whether or not they are supposed to be moving.

Junior Chris Clark impressed the crowd with his solo during the song, "I will Survive."



Michael and Brooke keep the beat alive during another successful half-time performance.



Stacey and Bryan play the National Anthem.



Michelle wonders what Stacey finds so amusing.



Our fearless drum major, senior Brooke Priesman prepares to lead the band into pre-game.

The dance squad girls perform the awesome finale during our last Homecoming game of the millennium.



Most Memorable Moments:
Jessica Dutton: My sophomore year when we did Grease Lightning. I stuffed my shirt and wrote 'Surprise Rose' on the front. I'll always remember the look on her face. Also how everyone is always nervous before the first performance.
Magda Diaz: Everyone being nervous and dancing with the girls and Michael.



Pom Pons

A Larger Than Life Season

By: Stacey Hays and Amanda Essex

The 1999 Football Dance Squad had an excellent season this year. They worked really hard and did a great job performing. The Dance Squad performed at all home football games, at the parade in Biggsville for Heritage Trails. They also put on a performance for the junior high and elementary school. Their coach, Rose Garner, said they were a really great bunch of girls to work with. The highlight of the season was their performance for Homecoming. The routine was really good and the girls did awesome. The three seniors this year were Tracie John, Jessica Dutton, and Magda Diaz. These girls were

fantastic at teaching the freshman all the new dances and because of this they will be greatly missed! The underclassmen rose to the challenge and put in a good performance. The dance squad performed to the songs: "Larger Than Life", by the Backstreet Boys, "Drop It", "Tonight is the Night", and "En Vogue".



Jenny Hand goes for a ride as teammates Jessica Dutton and Terri John flip her over during an excellent performance.



First Row: Brande Hartman, Magda Diaz, Tiffany Fisher. **Second Row:** Jessica Dutton, Jamie Eaton. **Mascot:** Rashell Garner, Tracie John, **Coach:** Rose Garner, Nicole Lenoci, Rachel Edwards. **Back Row:** Terri John, Jenny Hand, Jodi Mueller, Mindy Petermann, Jenny Peterson, Kim Buster.

Scoreboard

13-9

Yorkwood	67-36
Warren	44-36
Northwestern	52-24
Roseville	57-43
Southern	20-37
South Fulton	63-61
Galva	52-43
Warren	53-36
R.O.W.V.A.	41-50
Cambridge	34-35
Westmer	41-16
Princeville	42-36
Alwood	53-42
Stark County	27-74
Wethersfield	36-47
Alexis	23-45
Annawan	36-39
Warren	43-35
Monmouth	29-66
Westmer	24-11
R.O.W.V.A.	32-44
Princeville	52-40

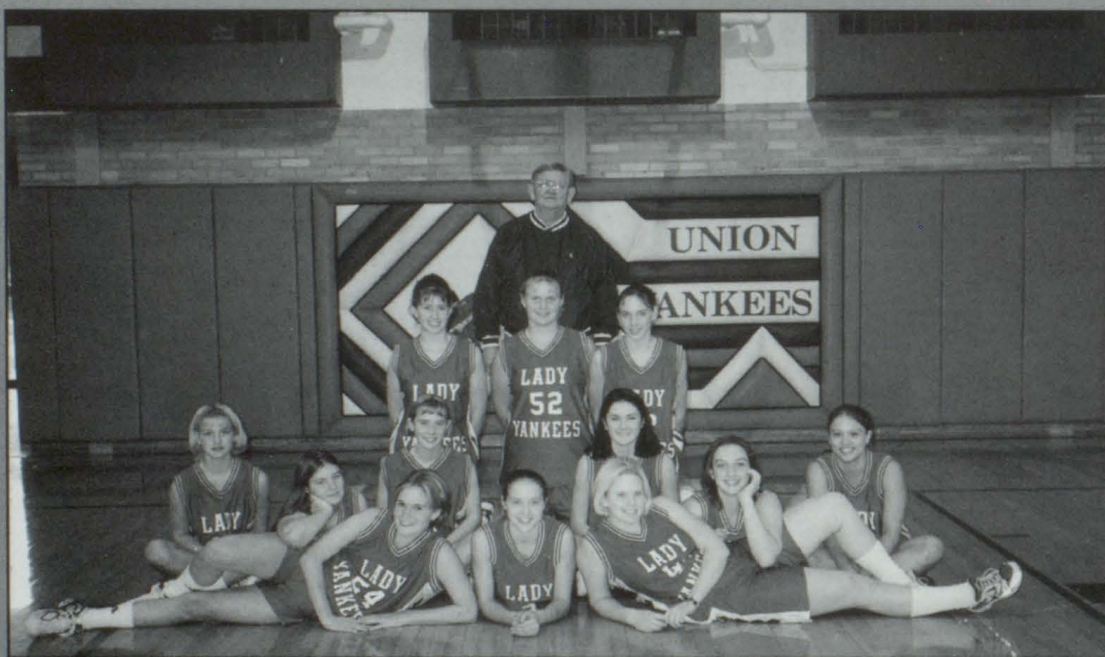
Junior, Megan Shutwell, dribbles around a Stark County defender to pass the ball in to one of her teammates.



Coach Roemer smiles for the camera before the team came out for the big game.



Captain, Heather Randall, looks up before drilling a three point shot.



First Row: Season Rippenkroeger, Megan Shutwell, Stacey Serdahl. **Second Row:** Jenny Peterson, Serena Root, Katie Wood, Traci Link, Heather Randall, Riikka Nikurautio. **Third Row:** Lisa Noard, Lindsey Pruett, Stephanie Higgins. **Fourth Row:** Coach Roemer.



Senior, Stacey Serdahl, dribbles past the defense to the hoop to shoot a layup.

Captains Heather Randall and Stacey Serdahl pose before warm-ups of a game. Stacey and Heather showed great leadership this year. Stacey led the team with 168 total rebounds and Heather added 91 assists and 99 steals.



Varsity Girls Basketball

"The Spirit is Back"

By: Brenda Carnes

The 1999-2000 Varsity Girls Basketball team had a great season. They started off with an undefeated record of 4-0, and ending the season with a record of 13-9. The Lady Yankees were always smiling on the court and keepin' it real. Not only did they learn to believe in themselves, they had a lot support from the student body.

The Lady Yankees were named the "Hometown Heros" in December of 1999. Heather Randall and Traci Link advanced in the three-point shootout and the team made it to the Regional Championship game.

With two seniors, Stacey and Riikka, leadership was a big key. They had a young team with eight fresh-soph players dressing up so they had a lot of young talent to work with. Returning three starters next season will keep the program successful. The seniors would like to wish them luck.

As the girls continue to develop their skills, shoot free throws and play the game they will "Bring Back the Spirit", not only to the Union High School student body, but to area fans as well. The 2000-2001 season will be an exciting year to watch.



Traci Link takes a step closer as she prepares to take an open shot. Traci had a total of 60 points this season.



Forward, Lindsey Pruett head fakes an opponent while protecting the ball. Lindsey had 199 points.



Exchange student, Riikka Nikuratio takes a minute to stand with her host family before Senior Night. Riikka commented that the Good's are great people.

Most Memorable Moments

Stacey Serdahl: Stacey says her most memorable moment would have to be when Heather passed a ball that accidentally hit the back board (really hard). She also remembers when she shot at the wrong basket during the championship game of regionals. **Riikka Nikuratio:** Riikka remembers all the games. She thinks they were exciting to watch and liked how all the players were really hard workers and were friends with each other.



Sophomore, Stephanie Higgins fights to keep the ball for the Lady Yankees against a Stark County defender. Stephanie led the team with 235 points this season. The Yankees look forward to seeing Steph next year.

J.V. Girls Basketball

A Season of Growth and Experience

By: Zach Wood & Brad Judd

The fresh-soph girls basketball team was composed of three sophomores and ten freshmen. The team was young and inexperienced, but full of energy. There was a lot of room for improvement. And with the effort the Ladies put out in practice you could tell they had improved over the course of the season. The effort and hustle showed in the Ladies desire to win. The Lady Yankees went into overtime in two games, and lost three games by less than five

points.

Coach Olson commented on the season at the awards ceremony, "Our record wasn't very impressive but if you had ever came and watched the girls you could see their improvement and their desire to win". Coach Olson also said, "This will be a good team next year with returning freshmen as sophomores and with a lot of game time experience and with some varsity game time also".

Brandy Smith playing hustle defense, tries for a steal as a Stark County girl attempts to advance the ball down the court.



Miss Olson gathers the team together to deliver another electrifying speech, inspire the Lady Yanks, and plot a strategy to put some points on the board.



Brandy Smith and Serena Root show great hustle by getting down and dirty after the loose ball.

Hollie Hedden takes a shot in the eyes of two Alwood Defenders.



Katie Wood looks to distribute the ball and break down the Stark County defense.



Lisa Noard takes a Stark County girl off the dribble for an easy score.



Chelsie Rippenkroeger looks to pass to her teammate for an easy score.

Scoreboard

1-16

Yorkwood
Warren
Northwestern
Roseville
Southern
V.I.T.
Galva
Warren
R.O.W.V.A.
Westmer
Princeville
Cambridge
Wethersfield
Alwood
Stark County
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First Row: Katie Wood, Brandi Gall, Amber Kay, Jessica Johnson, Megan Wagy, Ranita Buster.
Second Row: Coach Pat Olson, Jenny Peterson, Serena Root, Amber McVey, Lisa Noard, Mindy Petermann, Brandy Smith, Chelsea Rippenkroeger, Hollie Hedden, Jodi Mueller, Jamie Eaton.

Scoreboard

16-10

Abingdon	44-74
Yorkwood	47-45
Westmer	40-47
Riverdale	35-45
Yorkwood	53-36
Roseville	49-28
Williamsfield	53-52
Mendon Unity	56-46
Northwestern	75-46
Dallas City	74-71
Galva	60-56
Warren	64-58
R.O.W.V.A.	49-48
Southern	46-41
Westmer	57-62
Princeville	64-50
R.O.W.V.A.	45-49
Alwood	54-68
Cambridge	49-40
Wethersfield	42-70
Alwood	61-59
Stark County	50-59
Alexis	48-60
Annawan	62-43
Roseville	46-42
Alexis	29-46

During a break in the action, Coach Galen Noard does his best to fire up the Yankees and get them back out on the floor and ready to bring home another victory.



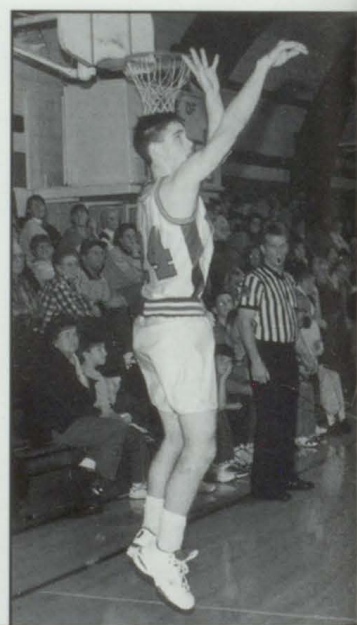
The team's manager, Mark Collinson, helped out greatly.



Senior point guard Chase Nichols prepares to set up the offense for another score against ROWVA.



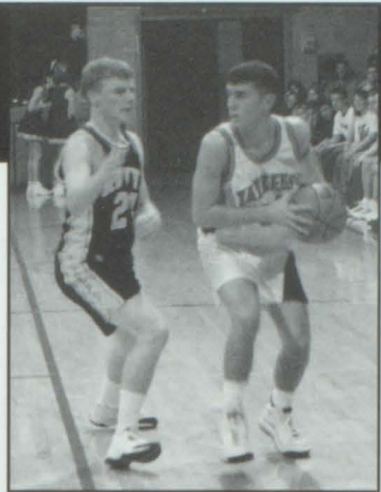
First Row: Brandon Priesman, Brock Miller, Landon Walters, Ben Hunter, Grant Van Tine, Joe Law
Second Row: Zach Wood, Logan Lox, Landon Lox, Marius Lichtendahl, Matt Seitz, Chase Nichols, Kris Bailey.



You cannot stop Zach Wood, you can only hope to contain him. Zach was the Yankees leader in three point field goals this season.

Sophomore Brandon Priesman is ready to take the ROWVA defender to the basket.

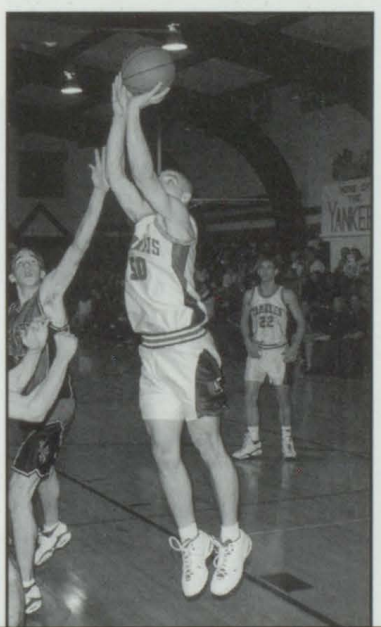
Forward Kris Bailey looks down low to feed the big men for another assist.



As was their pre-game ritual, the Yankees swarm into the middle of the floor and get each other fired up and ready to play.



Marius Lichtendahl soars past the Southern defender for another easy basket. Marius led the Yanks in scoring this year with 327 points.



Senior Matt Seitz puts back the easy offensive rebound. Matt had 121 rebounds this season, the second highest total on the team.

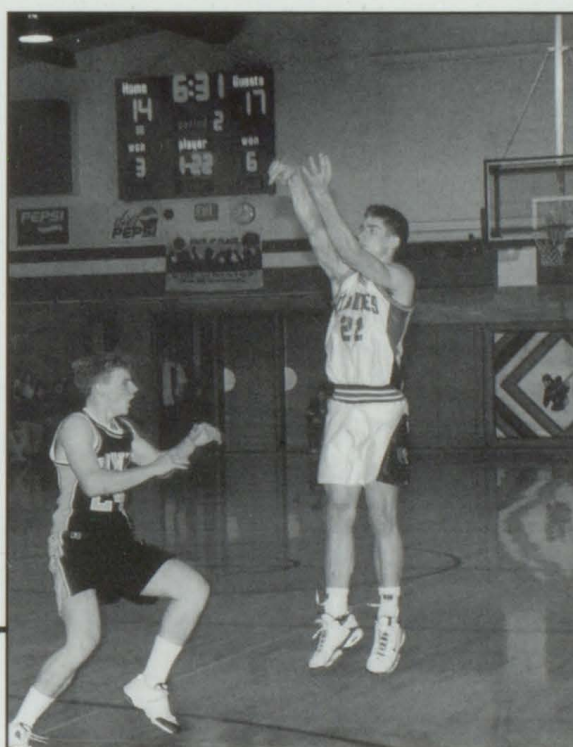
Varsity Boys Basketball

A TOUGH YEAR IN A TOUGH CONFERENCE

by: Landon Lox and Tyler Lutz

Hopes were high at the beginning of the season. The Varsity boys basketball team posted a winning record for the 4th consecutive season going 16-10 and 7-4 in the Lincoln Trail Conference which was good for a third place finish in the 12 team conference. Tournaments were played by this squad as they posted a 2-6 record in tournaments which also means that the Yankees were 14-4 in regular season games. Following the infamous Alwood Tourney, the team put together ten wins in a row, a feat not performed by a Yankee team in a long time.

Having a strong reliable bench helped the team tremendously. With the confidence level high, players could come off the floor without worrying about losing the lead. The four Seniors this year were great leaders and very close. They've been playing on the same basketball team since 6th grade when they won second place in the Yorkwood Tourney. Ever since it's been hard work and long hours in the gym. They will be dearly missed next year. Despite this tremendous loss, the Yankees still look forward to next year with great expectations.



Senior Landon Lox shows off his range with a nice looking jumper. Landon was also named to the first team all-conference and to the all area KGRS team.

A little advice to the under classmen... "Go out for everything you possibly can. Don't sit on the sidelines."

J.V. Boys Basketball

"Keeping the Union Spirit"

By: Noah Blindt and Brock Miller

This years Union J.V. basketball team has been blessed with a large turn out of young Union students willing to learn the sport of basketball. They have nearly 20 players, and they all have put out the effort of champions. The team didn't win many games, but it was said that they put up the hardest fights.

Coach Smith was the leader of this impressive squad. He has been quoted saying that, "These are some of the

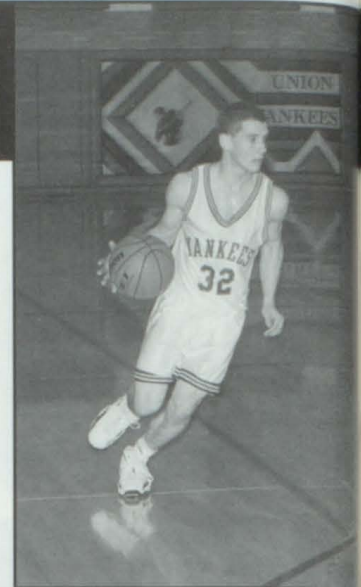
best young athletes that I have encountered in a long while." He also stated that, "If this team sticks together they will pose a threat to any team in the LTC."



Chris Ator with determination in his eyes, looks for the open shot.

With incredible form, Nick Link pops the shot over the ROWVA Tigers' defenders.

Early in the game, Brandon Priestman looks for the open man.



School is now in session, and the teacher...the one, the only...Brandon Priestman.

Here is Nick Link ready to put up a layup against the ROWVA Tigers. Nick, when put in, showed shooting ability and was able to contribute tremendously to the Yankee J. V. team.

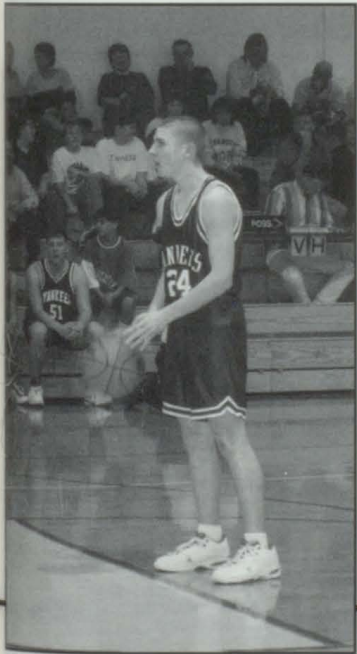


Charging around to attack the rebel defense. Brian Dunn created positive offensive situations.

Able to draw a shooting foul, Chad Forbes will head to the line to shoot two freethrows against R.O.W.V.A. at home.



Surely somebody can guard the light footed Brian Dunn. He looks to pass down low from the triple threat position.



The ever steady hands of Grant VanTine are going to bury another freethrow at Yorkwood.

Scoreboard

3-18

Yorkwood	41-52
Roseville	21-51
Williamsfield	56-45
Southern	44-77
Mendon Unity	37-49
Northwestern	42-43
Dallas City	62-53
Galva	31-59
Warren	49-87
R.O.W.V.A.	28-46
Westmer	45-28
Princeville	41-46
Cambridge	28-61
Wethersfield	26-61
Alwood	43-51
Stark County	39-51
Alexis	23-54
Annawan	29-50
R.O.W.V.A.	17-49
Yorkwood	19-50



Front Row: Aaron Ferch, Brian Dunn, Brandon Priesman, Mike Bennett, Mark DeJaynes, Tyler Nelson, Grant VanTine. **Back Row:** Coach Smith, Chris Ator, Cole Nichols, Justin Waterman, Logan Lox, Chad Forbes, Nick Link, Ben Hunter, Landon Walters.

Cheerleading

Let's Get Fired Up!

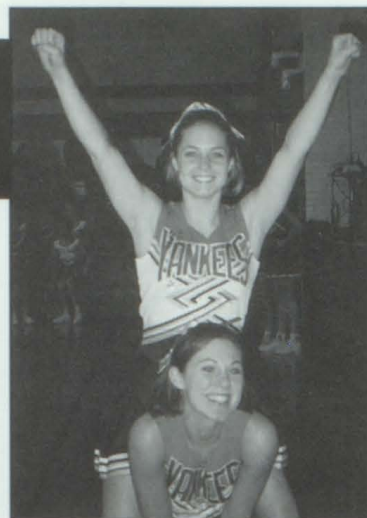
By: Rudi Gall

The 1999-2000 basketball season was a success with the help and support from Yankee fans. Fans included parents, students and community members. It didn't matter whether the boys were on the road or at home, we always knew that there would be someone there to help us cheer on our team!

The cheerleaders started out their season in the summer with a first place award in the Cheer Division while attending the "UCA" Cheer and Dance camp at Bradley University. They worked hard to learn new and exciting cheers that would get the crowd more involved.

The girls cheered their team on to victory after victory, but it couldn't have happened without the fans! A big thanks goes out to everyone who attended games and cheered for the Union Yankees this year!

Steph and Rudi goof off at the Southern/Union game.



Marissa & Holly cheer on their team with enthusiasm, as usual.



The girls take a moment out of their busy schedule at home games to pose for the camera and show off their personalities!



First Row: Rudi Gall, Kellie Thompson, Stephanie Dial, Holly Simmons.
Second Row: Marissa Cole and Michelle Kane.

S*E*N*I*O*R*S



These girls are "gettin' down" while dancing during halftime at the game against Princeville!



The squad gets the crowd going during their performance at half-time.

Pom Pons

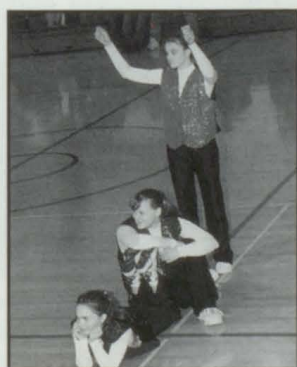
Larger than Life.....

By: Rudi Gall

The 1999-2000 Pom Pon Squad had a fun and exciting year. There were many talented girls out that helped produce some neat routines. They performed at many of the boys' home games to songs such as, "Blue Monday" and "Blue" as well as songs from the Backstreet Boys. The girls practiced some pretty long nights to perfect all of the dances that they performed.

Aside from the games, they also performed at some school pep rallies and homecoming activities. It was exciting to see what the squad came up with between performances. They did a great job this year and were appreciated by all !

SENIORS



First Row: Rene Blew, Terri John, Jessica Dutton, Sara Smith, Jenny Hand. **Second Row:** Brandy Hart, Nicole Lenoci, Rachelle Garner. **Third Row:** Rachel Ellerbroek, Lauren Hester, Kim Buster, **Advisor:** Rose Garner, Tiffany Fisher, Magda Diaz, Rachel Edwards, Hidi Hume.

Union Track

Go Speed Racer Go! Brock Miller & Brad Judd

This year's teams were much improved due to the fact that we had more students out. The key to being a good track team is the number of athletes out.

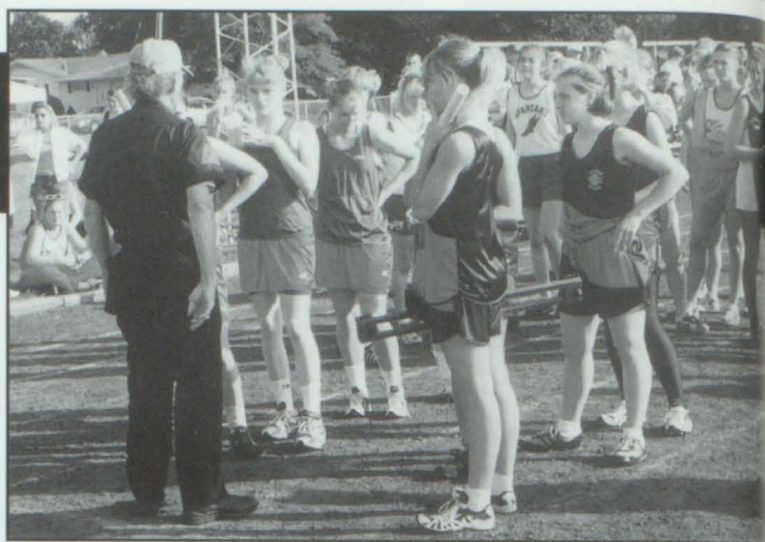
Some of this years highlights include Megan Shutwell breaking the school records in the 100(12.23), triple jump, the 200, and the 400. Stephanie Higgins broke the school record in high jump(5'4"), as well. The boy's 4x200 relay broke the school record with the group of Tyler Ferch, Ben Hunter, Brandon

Priesman, and Grant VanTine. Megan Shutwell also qualified for the State meet in triple jump, 100, 200, and 400. At the State meet, Shutwell placed fourth in both the 200 meter dash and the 400 sprint. Also, in the 100 meter dash she placed 7th. Megan went undefeated in the 100, 200, and 400 meter dashes during the regular season. Reminder to all real athletes: Coach Hurley is open to discussion about next year in Track.

Rikka was the only senior. She enjoyed the competition and the bus rides. She will be missed.



Calm before the storm, the Lady Yankee (4 X 800) relay gets ready to run.



Megan duels with Stark County's best runner in the open 100 meter dash. Megan won this race and took home the M.V.P. plaque from the Avon Lady Invitational.

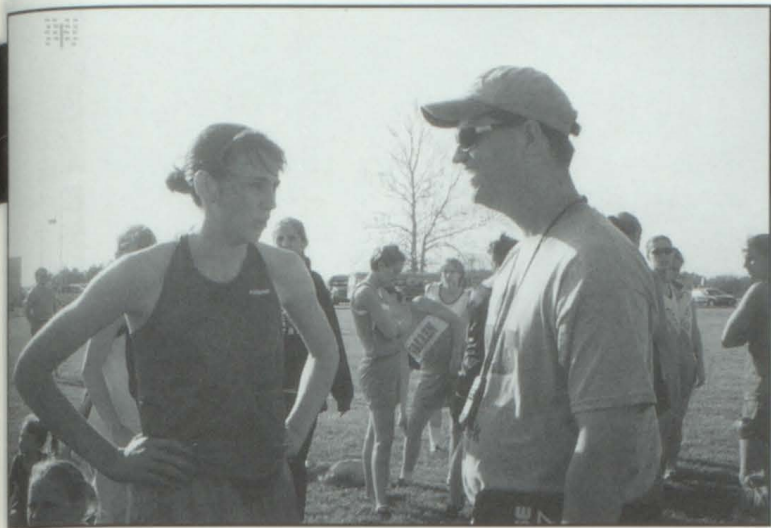


Trey Shewburt is an awesome addition to the team. He runs the hurdles, he wins, he does it all.



The Freshman Force, Tanner Bigger, in stride at Galva.

Mr. Hurley instructs Stephanie not to lose. So she didn't this year, Stephanie won the varsity high jump at the Pen City Relays, also getting first at nearly every meet in the high jump.



Fighting for second, Jenny Peterson attempts to pass in the 400 m. run.



Some try to throw shotput, but Justin "Hector" Parsons threw with the power and efficiency of a champion.



State hopeful, Lindsey Pruett shows here what it takes to be a premier thrower.

Boy's	Place
Roseville Title 9	2nd
Warsaw Invite	2nd
Keokuk Relays	4th
Alexis Relays	5th
Lincoln Trail Junior Varsity	2nd
Warsaw Meet	3rd

Girl's	Place
Roseville Title 9	2nd
Warsaw Invite	2nd
Maple City Classic	4th
Pen City Relays	2nd
Warren Invite	2nd
Lincoln Trail Varsity	2nd
Lincoln Trail Junior Varsity	6th
Sectionals @ Sherrard	4th



First Row: Brandi Gall, Rikka Nikurautio, Amber Kay, Jenny Peterson, Amy Chandler. **Second Row:** Brandon Priesman, Sonya Eldridge, Amber Koch, Tiffany Fisher, Lindsey Pruett, Kim Buster, Stephanie Higgins, Megan Shutwell, Tyler Ferch, Chris Root. **Third Row:** Coach Michael Hurley, Ben Hunter, Danny Ford, Trey Shewbert, Logan Lox, Justin Parsons, Jon Waterman, Justin Waterman, Tanner Bigger, Kris Bailey, Grant VanTine, and Coach Pete Parsons.

Scoreboard

7-13

Colchester	7-0
Bushnell	9-3
South Fulton	12-17
Monmouth	6-5
LaHarpe/Northwestern	1-6
Alwood	10-5
Carthage	4-6
Southern	4-7
Aledo	1-7
Cuba	7-1
Cuba	12-3
Dallas City/Nauvoo	5-4
R.O.W.V.A	0-3
LaHarpe/Northwestern	4-6
Hamilton	5-1
Industry	4-1
Colchester	2-3
Knoxville	10-4
Dallas City/Nauvoo	2-10
Warsaw	4-5

Junior Valerie Blake and Senior Stacey Serdahl stopped to smile for the camera before going to bat against Roseville.



Toni Miller gives it her all to get a strike. She had a win/loss record of 7-10.



Junior Heather Randall jumps above her opponent to catch a ball.



First Row: Brooke Simpson, Kellie Thompson, Tiffany Peugh, Toni Miller. **Second Row:** Sheena Miller, Heather Randall, Mary Hawkins, Amanda Henry, Jodi Mueller. **Third Row:** Hollie Hedden, Jessica Johnson, Marissa Cole, Traci Link, Katie Wood, Lacy Hastings. **Fourth Row:** Coach Penny Rowan, Amber McVey, Brandy Smith, Coach Jeanette Randall.



Junior Mary Hawkins looks puzzled as she waits for the pitch.

Coach Jeanette Randall talks to her players before sending them to play defense. This was Coach Randall's first year of coaching softball.



Varsity Softball

Breaking the Mold

By: Brenda Carnes and Stacey Hays

The 1999-2000 Varsity Softball season was a great success. With four returning seniors the team had a lot of leadership. Because of their excellent play in April, two seniors, Toni Miller and Tiffany Peugh, were named Review Atlas Athletes of the Week.

The girls started out losing two games but did not let this get them down. They came back and continued the tradition of continuous success that Union has had in Softball.

Comments by players say that beating Dallas City/ Nauvoo Colusa, R.O.W.V.A, LaHarpe/Northwestern and

Hamilton all in a row was without a doubt the highlight of their season. Coach Randall comments, "The bus trip from Colchester will never be forgotten."

Although the team was not always winning, the girls played hard no matter what the situation. They had their share of great plays and mistakes, but overall the team was enthusiastic and determined.

With six returning starters, next year's team will surely continue success.



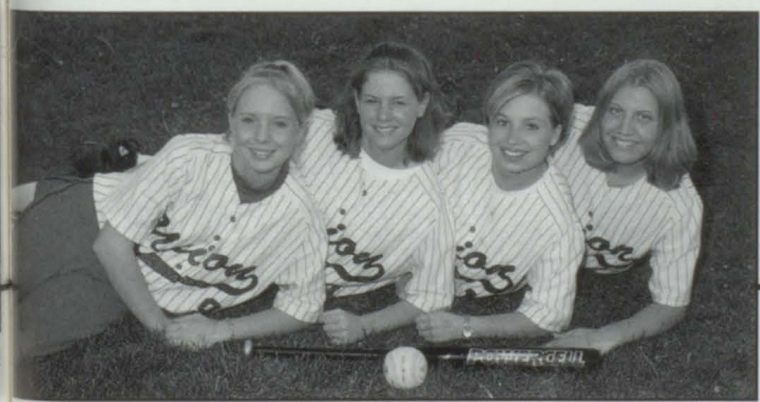
Senior Kellie Thompson pitches a ball to a batter at Southern. Kellie was a great asset to the team.



Senior, Brooke Simpson runs through first base hoping to make it to second. Her talent will be missed.

Most Memorable Moments

Tiffany Peugh: When Heather and I wrestled over a black marker and, "Yes I won!" Heather ended up with a nose ring. Also, playing my last year with my senior friends. The rest of the team was awesome too.
Kellie Thompson: Kellie's most memorable moment was winning four games in a row and winning by one in an extra inning.
Brooke Simpson: Winning four games in a row. **Toni Miller:** Her most memorable moment was when her and Tiff had an interview with the Review Atlas for Prep of the Week."



Senior Tiffany Peugh slides into home plate safely scoring another run. Tiffany had a batting average of .429. Tiffany showed great leadership this year and will be missed by the underclassmen.



Sophomore Traci Link catches a ball from Heather Randall hoping to get an out. Traci played exceptional defense for the Lady Yankees this year and we look forward to having her back.

J.V. Softball

A Team of Few Numbers, but Great Potential.

By: Noah Blindt and Landon Lox

This year's Junior Varsity Girl's Softball Team only had a few members, but those willing to play did so to the best of their abilities. The team was mainly freshmen, but they showed that they had a great amount of talent. Katie Wood doubled as a Junior Varsity and Varsity player, as well as Amber McVey. Traci Link, a sophomore, also played on the Varsity team. Traci is a tremendous athlete and brings a lot of versatility to the playing field.

Along with a young group of athletes, the team also has a new coaching staff. To replace Coach Rima, the school

hired Penny Rowan to teach the team. The girls compliment her on the style of coaching that she prefers to use, and respect her knowledge of the sport.

This year's Lady Yankees may not have won as much as they would have liked, but we look forward to seeing them have great success in the future.



Amber McVey patiently waits for another Union batter to drive her home with a spectacular hit.



Katie Wood is ready and willing to drive the Union Junior Varsity players home.



Traci Link receives a good throw from a teammate as she attempts to tag the Dallas City runner out at first base.



Marissa Cole fires a heater to the plate. Marissa did a very good job this year pitching for the Union JV team.

Jessica Johnson fields the ball from the third base position and throws the runner out.



Marissa Cole keeps her eye on the ball just before she connects.



Katie Wood hustles her way into third base against Dallas City.



Jodi Mueller hits a hard line drive past the opposition for a base hit.



The Junior Varsity Girl's Softball team gathers around Coach Rowan to listen to inspiring words.



The girls prepare to take the field under the lights

Scoreboard

4-4

Bushnell	8-22
South Fulton	8-7
LaHarpe	2-7
Southern	3-5
R.O.W.V.A.	4-3
Industry	7-4
Colchester	3-3
Dallas City	5-8
LaHarpe	5-2

Scoreboard

9-12

Knoxville	1-6
LaHarpe	3-9
Nauvoo	16-4
Abingdon	10-12
Carthage	12-0
Cuba	15-14
Dallas City	15-3
Alwood	13-12
Industry	16-1
Warsaw	8-7
Southern	3-8
Rockridge	0-10
Westmer	13-3
LaHarpe	0-10
Bushnell	4-7
Unity	19-7
Monmouth	5-10
Southeastern	8-9
Hamilton	3-13
Sherrard	2-12

This being his first year as our team's baseball coach, Craig Rima seemed a little tense during this picture, not knowing just who should start..



Donny Billingsley, a sophomore, played second base for us this year. His fancy play was needed badly.



Senior Chase Nichols is atoned for his troubles at the plate with his solid play in centerfield.



First Row: Seth Olson, Brandon Bielser, Chase Nichols, Joey Koch, Landon Lox, Ozzie Lira, Zach Wood, Nick Olson. **Second Row:** Coach Lox, Mark DeJaynes, Matt Curtis, Tyler Nelson, Chris Ator, Nick Link, Chad Forbes, Donny Billingsley, Tony Wright, Coach Rima.

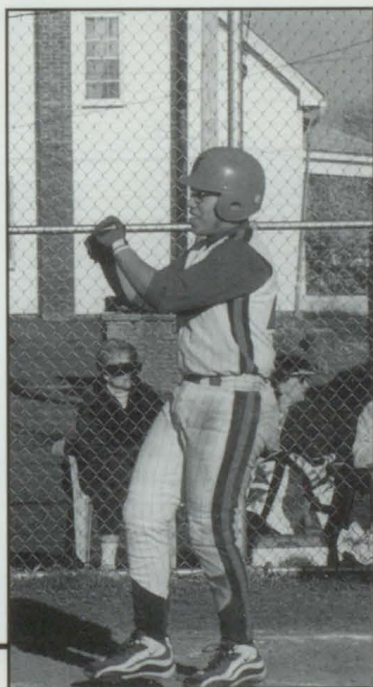


Brandon Bielser displays his finesse in bunting.

Being only a junior this year, Dusty Hass proved to be a reliable second baseman for the Union baseball team this year.



Four year Varsity starter Landon Lox makes it a close call for the umpire with this play. Luckily he was safe. Landon pitched, played third, shortstop, left field, and centerfield for the Yankee ball club this spring.



With back to back home runs, Joey Koch and Ozzie Lira show their mettle against Abingdon. Joey played shortstop and Ozzie caught this season.

Varsity Baseball

New Coach, New Philosophy, New Team

By: Landon Lox and Tyler Lutz

The Union baseball team rebounded from a 4-13 record in the 1999 spring season to 9-12 in 2000. Most of the losses came towards the end of the season due to an assortment of reasons, some due to disciplinary problems at school.

Despite these numerous setbacks, the team started off the year with a lot of success and enthusiasm. One of these more memorable instances came against Warsaw when Zach Wood hit a home run in the bottom of the seventh inning with two outs to win the

game. That was something that everybody was extremely proud to be a part of.

The team had at least five potential home run hitters, with Landon Lox leading the way with seven and Joey Koch and Ozzie Lira each hitting five. Zach Wood and Seth Olson each hit two. The Yankees' main pitching threat was Zach Wood. Zach and many other Juniors will return next year. This kind of great Senior leadership will help to continue our successful baseball program here for the young men at U.H.S.



Zach Wood was the Yankee ace this year. There was just something about his fastball that baffled batters. The good news about Zach is he's only a junior!



Junior Nick Olson played first base this year for the Yankee squad. He batted clean-up most of the time which was where he did the most damage.

J.V. Baseball

Coming together!

By:

Brock Miller & Zach Wood

Sometimes life is a struggle, but in that struggle we learn from our mistakes and that makes us stronger. The J.V. Baseball team had their fare share of struggles this season. The main issue of concern was the lack of numbers. And to make matters worse some of the players were annexed to the Varsity team to fill holes in the line up. As a result players played positions they have never played before. The team had very few games and this made it hard for the players to get in any sort of rhythm.

With all the problems and tough times the team overcame

the odds and pulled out three wins. The biggest triumph came against a very good La Harpe team. This was revenge for earlier in the year when La Harpe beat the Yankees.

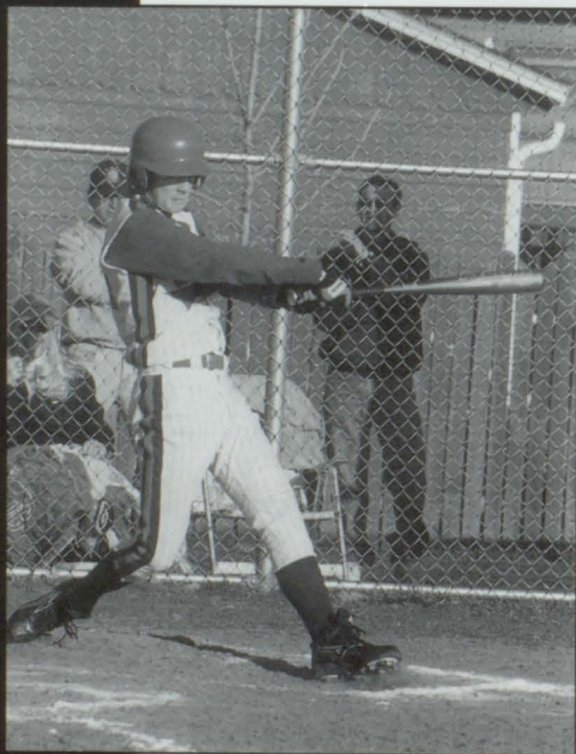
With the win at the end of the year, the J.V. showed improvement and hopefully a sign of a bright future to Union Yankee Baseball.



Pitcher and Centerfielder

Nick Link takes a good cut at a pitch.

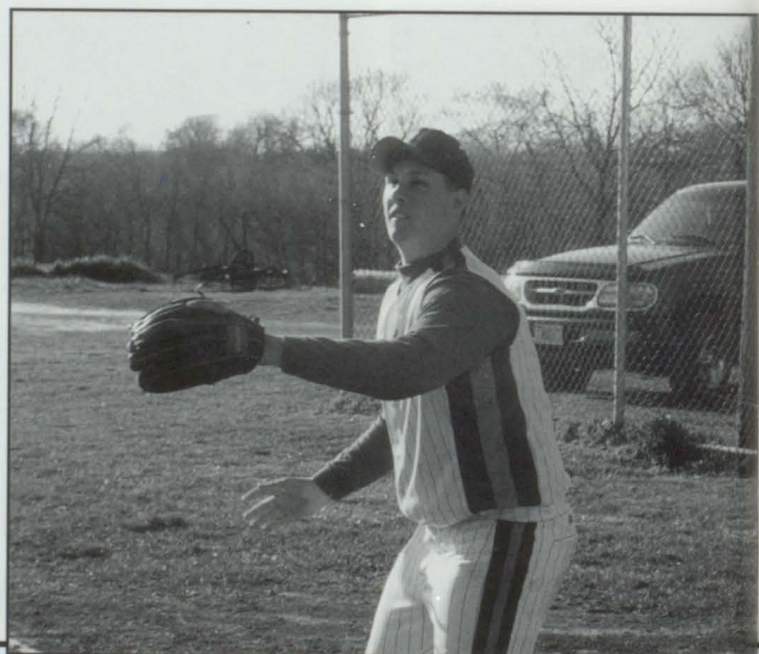
Nick also bench ran some for the Varsity and he saw some innings in the field when the team was short of players.



Pushing off the rubber, Matt Curtis shreds any chance of the batter getting a piece of the ball.



Donny Billingsley, the team's utility man, played second and third base for Varsity, and also caught some innings for the J.V.



Chad Forbes, the Yankees' golden glove first baseman, awaits the throw from a teammate for the third out to end the inning.

Donny Billingsley is not only a defensive man but he also swings a mighty stick.



Nick Link did most of the pitching this year for the J.V.



Harold Wheatly played outfield for the J.V. And also saw some Varsity action late in the season.



With an acrobatic throw Mark DeJaynes delivers a perfect strike to first.



Tyler Nelson Played second base for the J.V. Here he is showing off his fielding skills, throwing the guy out at first.

Scoreboard

3-4

LaHarpe
Abingdon
Dallas City
Industry
Southern
LaHarpe
Sherrard

2-18
3-12
9-2
9-8
0-13
7-3
4-9



First Row: Mark DeJaynes, Tyler Nelson, Chris Ator, Matt Curtiss, Harold Wheatly, Donny Billingsley, Nick Link, and Tyler Jones. **Not Pictured:** Tony Wright and Chad Forbes.



Graduation

By Brenda Carnes, Tyler Lutz, and Zach Wood



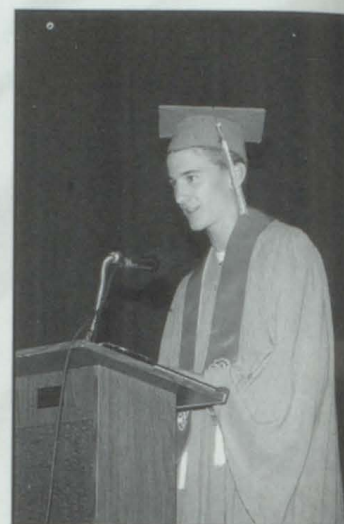
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Class of 2000

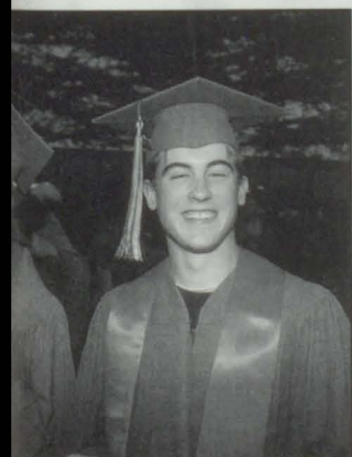
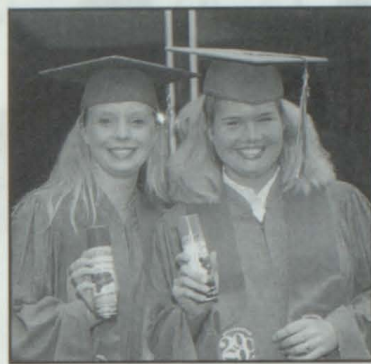
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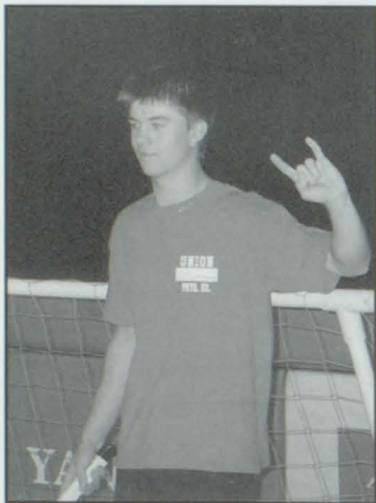


The Class of 2000 is definitely full of very unique individuals. They'll be missed greatly not only by underclassmen, but also by the Union High School faculty. This class has made a lot of great memories in the past four years of high-school. Each will go their separate ways, some to college, some will start families, and some will start their careers. These Seniors excelled in academics as well as in athletics. They will become more independent as they learn the ropes of living on their own. We wish you the best of luck in all that you do. Congratulations to the Class of 2000!!!



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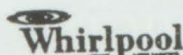
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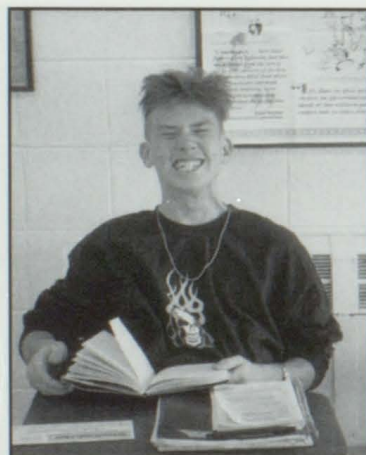
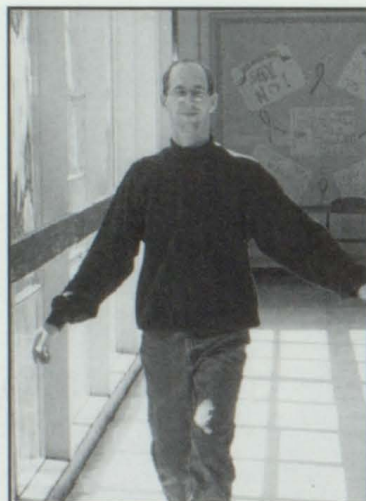
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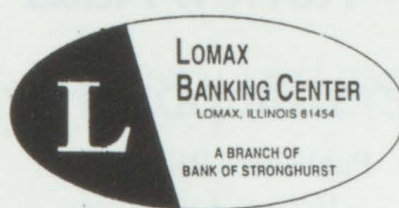
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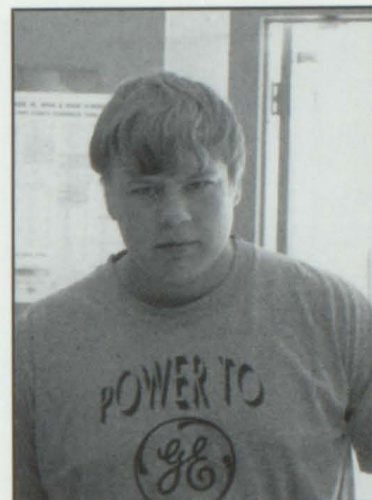


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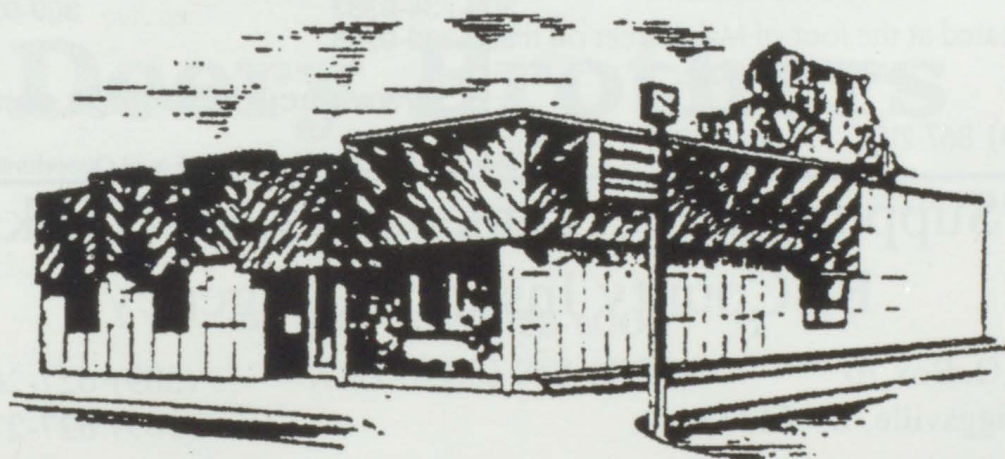
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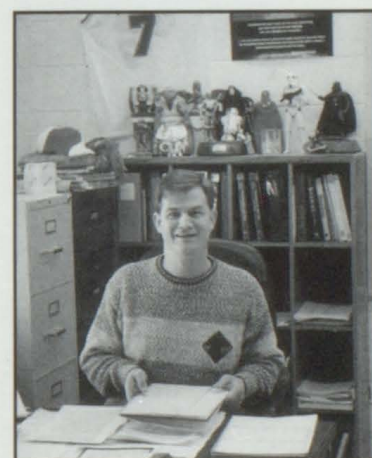
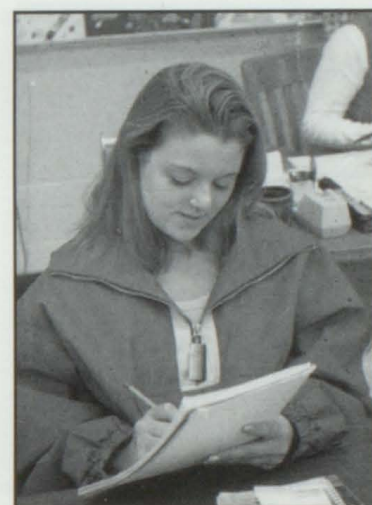
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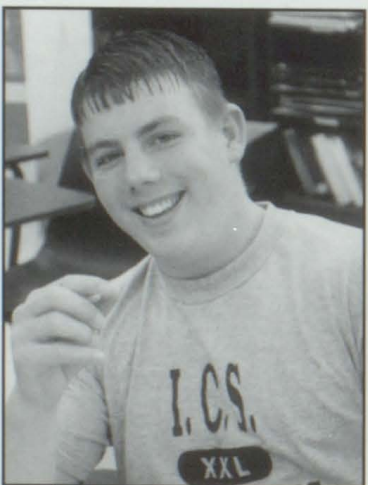
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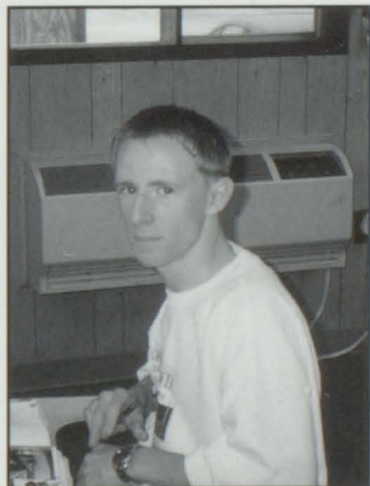
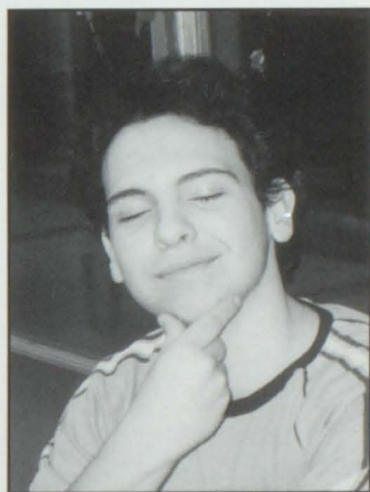
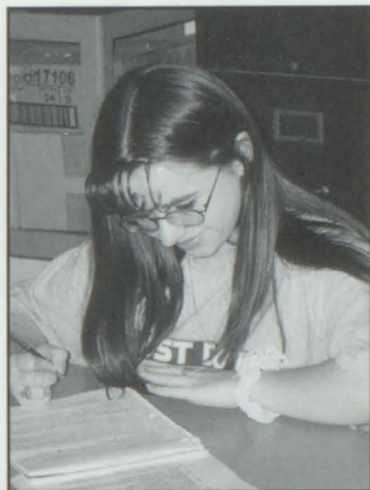
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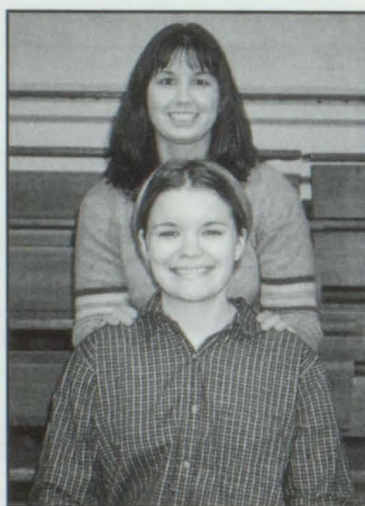
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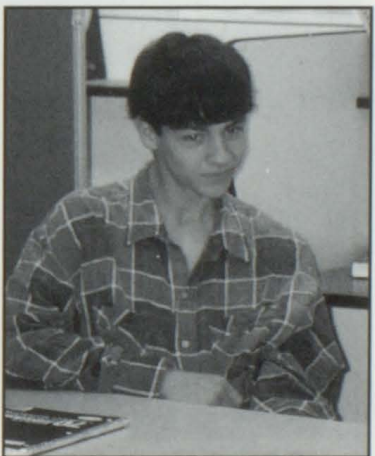
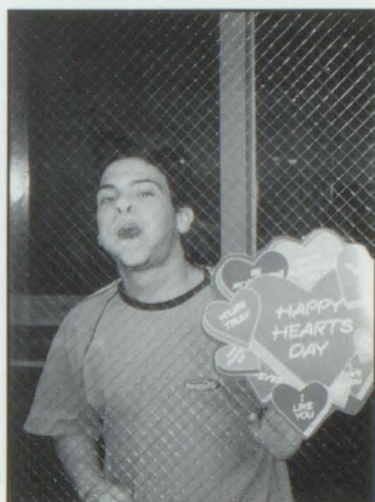
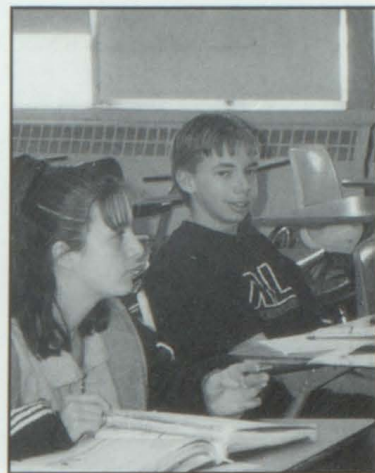
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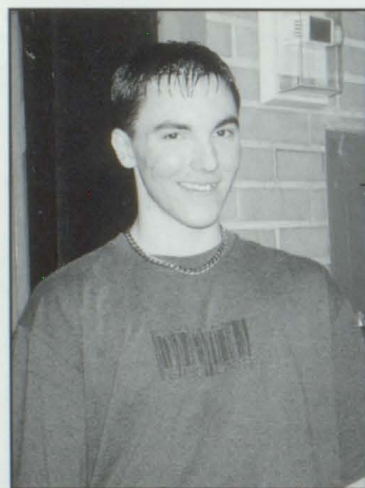
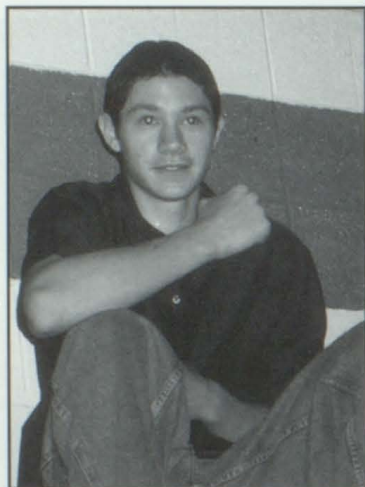
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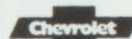
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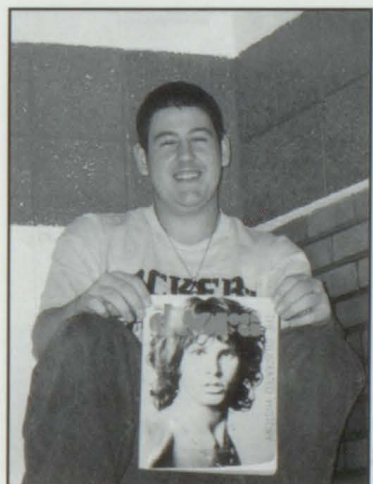
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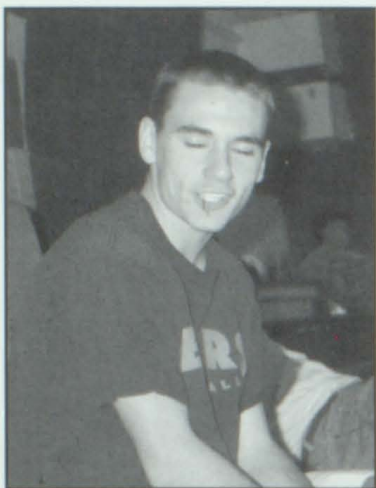
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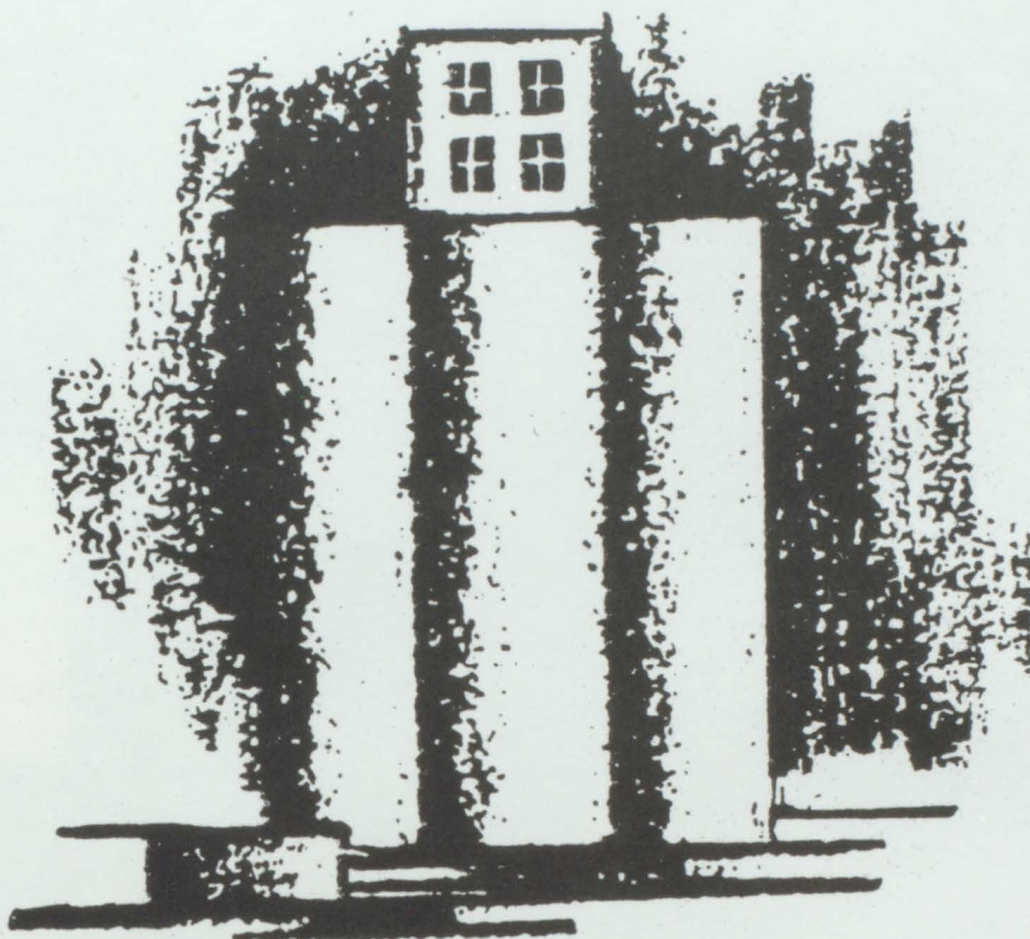
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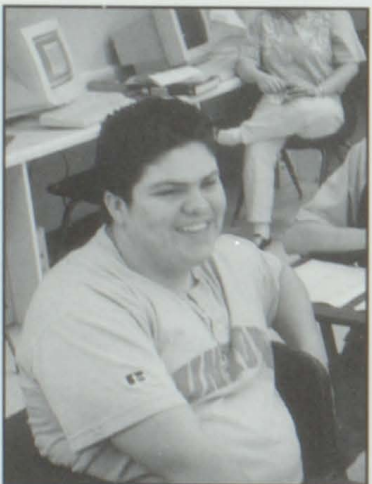
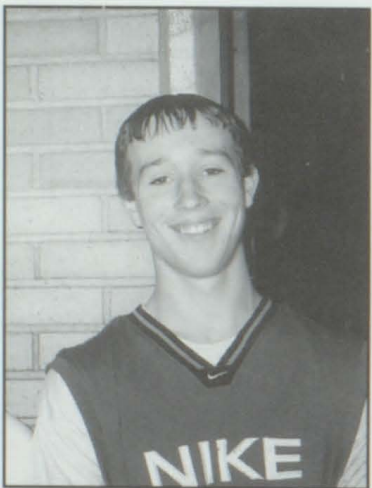
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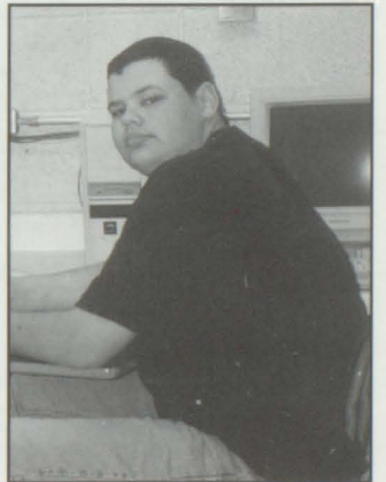
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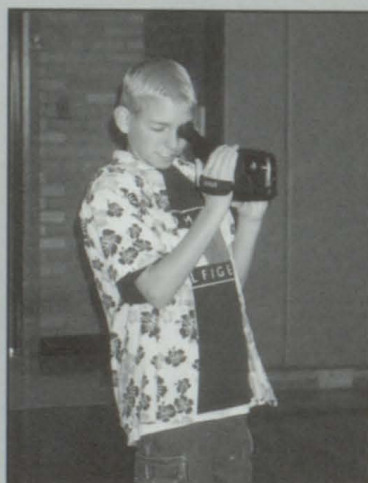
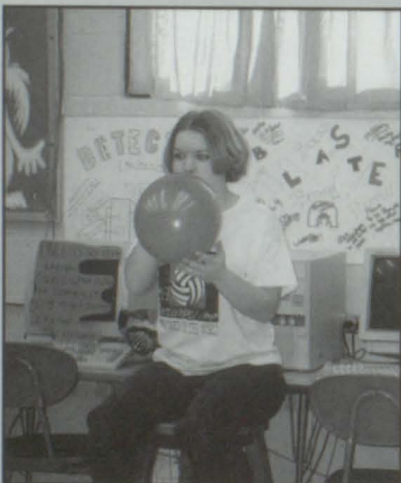
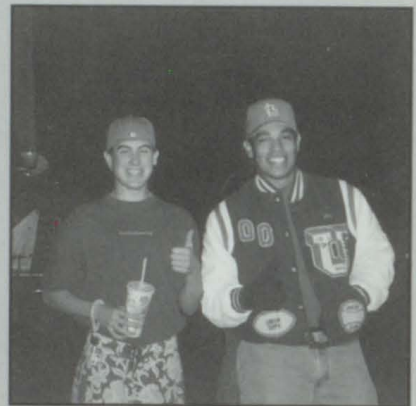
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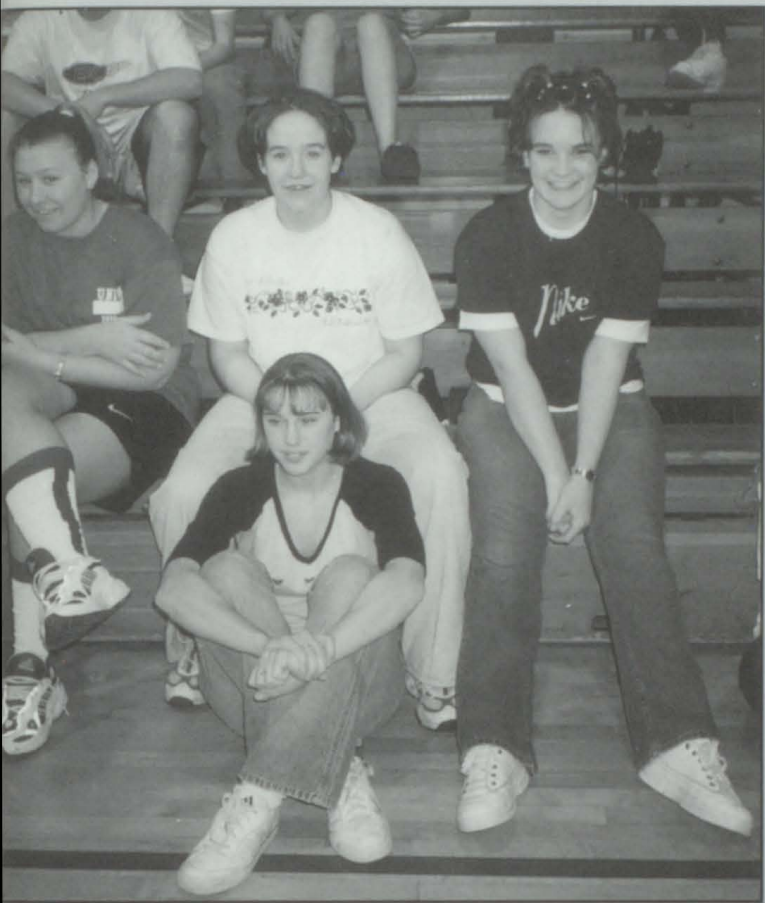
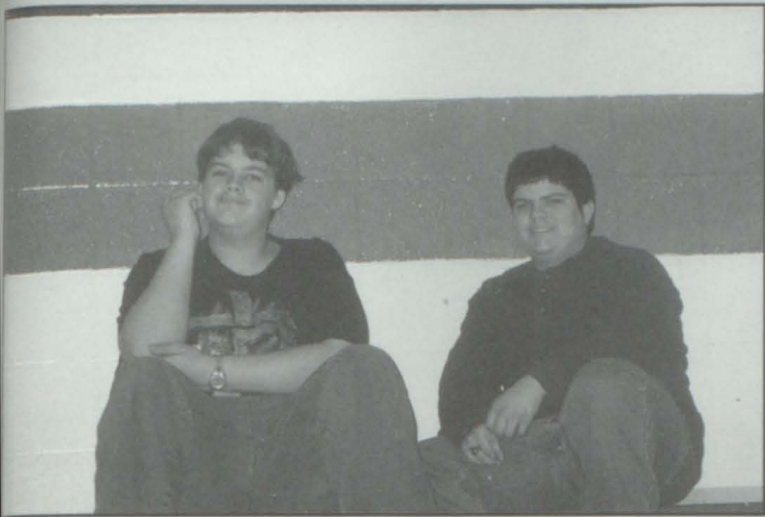
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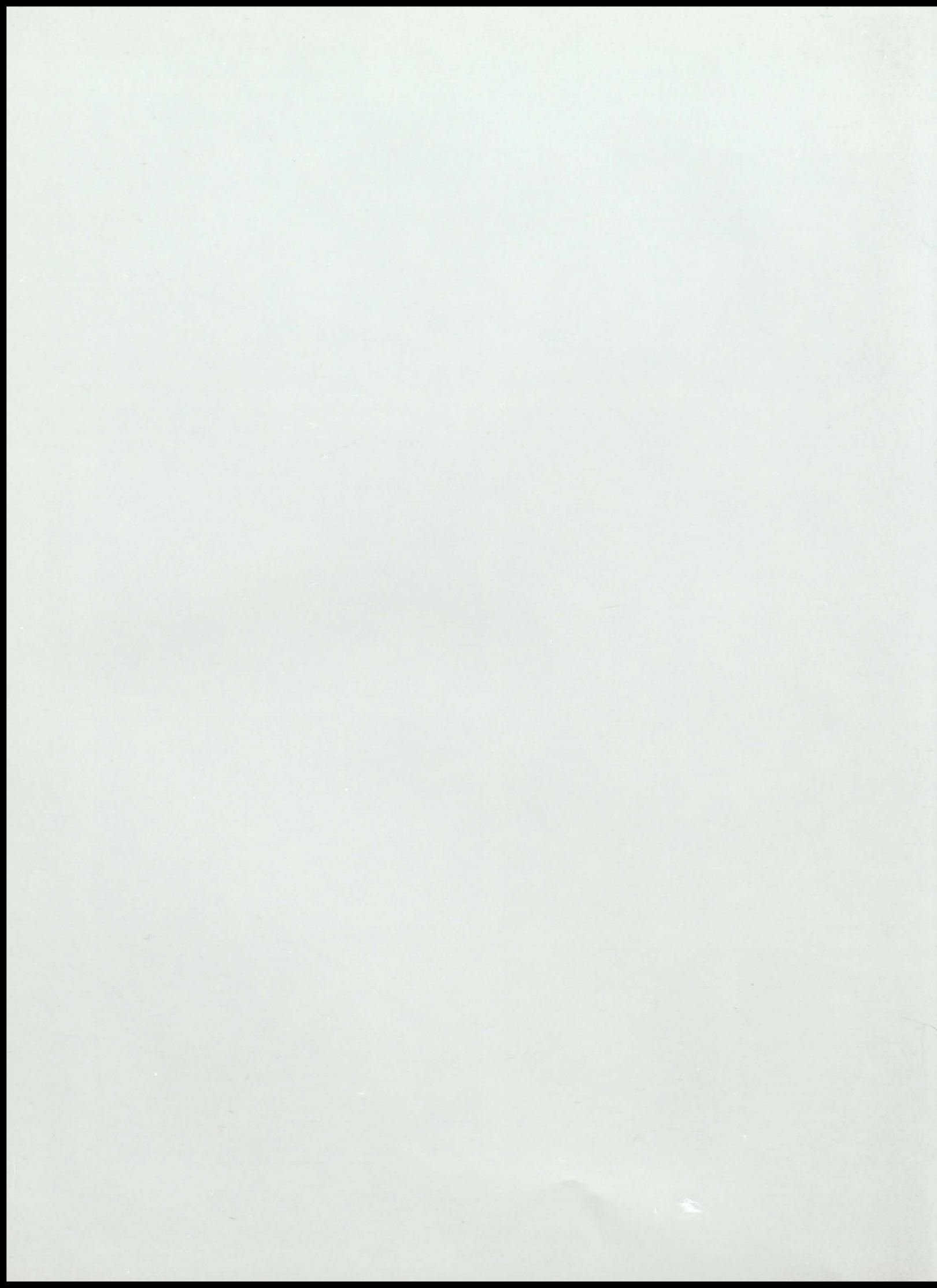
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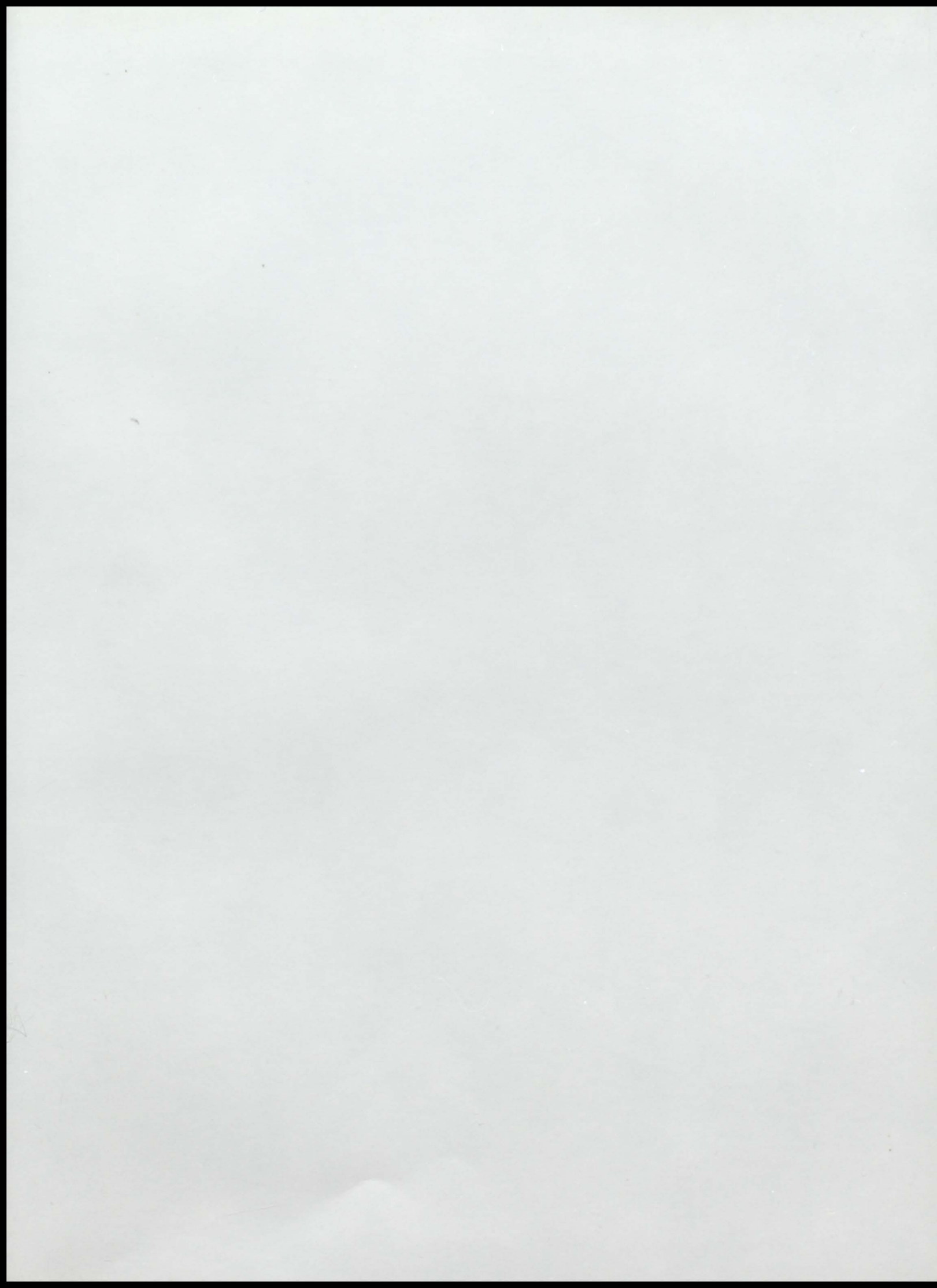
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