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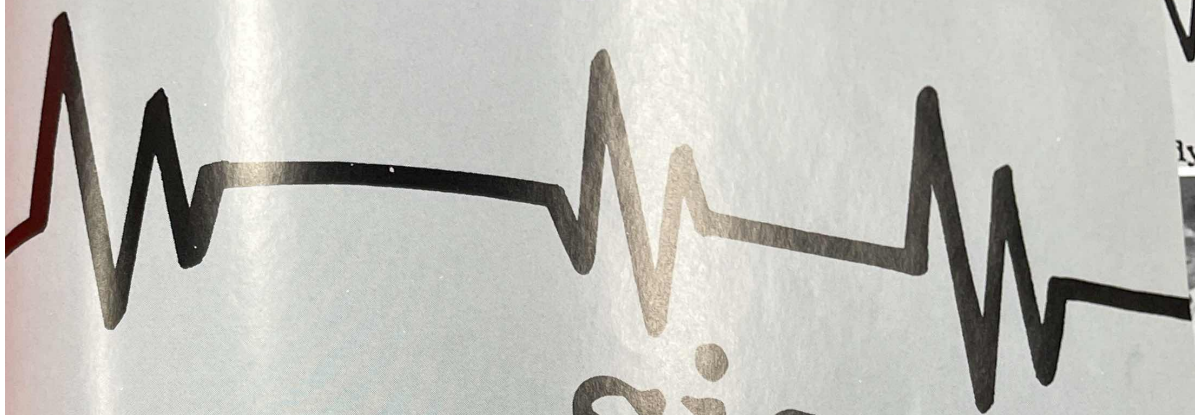
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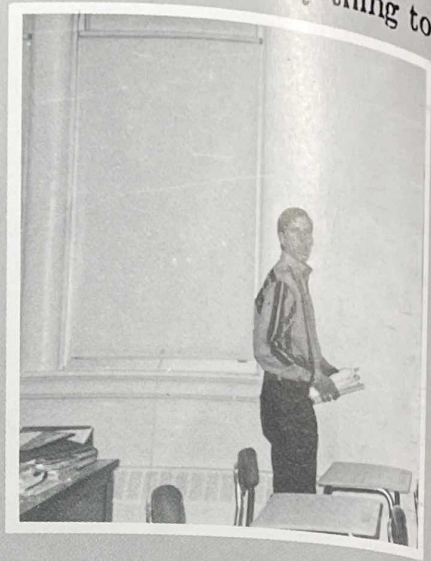


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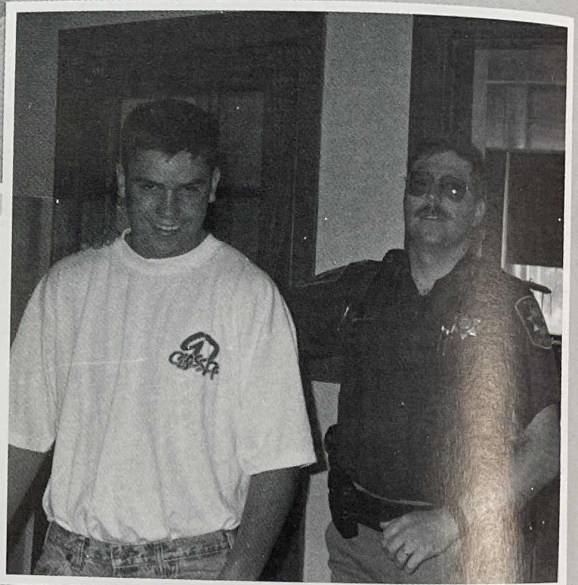
Hey! I've heard he's really smart.  
Ask him if there's anything to do!

Seems pretty dead.



Even the police have come  
to get all the imaginative people!

Who will save  
them from such a boring destiny?





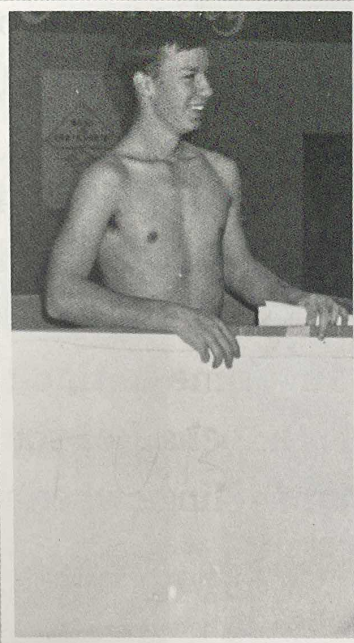
He said to call 911-



this school must really be dying out.



He says maybe  
he can find it  
on the Internet.




He thinks better in the tub.



And those two voted  
for  
the "Two heads being  
better than one"  
option...

But there's still no vital sign registering!





How many times throughout life do you hear someone say, "If I had the chance, I'd do it in a heartbeat." This quick impulsive response often symbolizes the regrets of certain chances of a lifetime that fell to the wayside of more important and practical circumstances.

The 1996-97 school year was spent looking for the chances we all wanted or needed. Something to grasp and hold onto for dear life--because what else is there to do in this town?

The American Medical Association clearly designates pulse, pupil dilation, and breathing as the basic human responses to life. But what, in your own words, would you consider your vital signs? In other words, what keeps you as an individual thriving in this bizarre world of high school?

At first glance it may look like Arapahoe is the plain, ordinary "small town" and "small school." But if you take a closer look, you can see so much more. The year was full of people doing so many things they could hardly find time to think. So, is that a sign that we are alive and kicking? On behalf of the AHS Journalism Staff, we invite you to look at our findings when we searched for the vital signs in our school.





# student life

## we will make it!

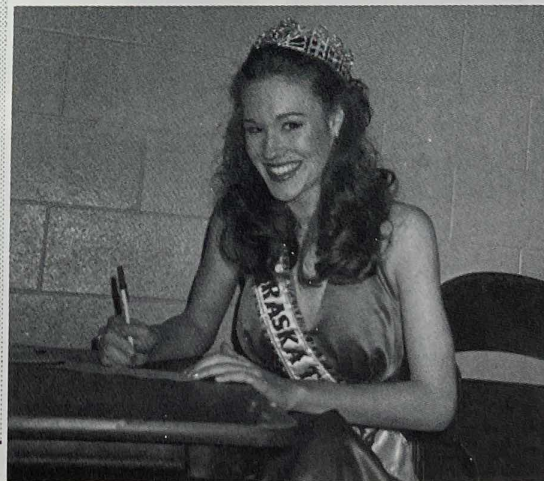
A student's life?! It is quite a wonder that we aren't all comatose or sedated with valium from all of the stress.

Keeping up with the latest fashions, weekend activities, studying, sports, friends and going to class five days a week certainly takes its toll on our physical and mental health.

So how is it that we can survive *four* years of this? Maybe it is because we live for the feeling of knowing that we can say "ya, I did *all* of this, and *I* made it! So there, to all of you who thought I couldn't!!"

The feeling of accomplishment is one that can not be under rated and that is what life as a student is all about--accomplishing goal after goal and then setting higher ones to strive for.

Many times each day a student questions his actions and ask himself "just why am I doing all of this anyway?" But, deep inside each student knows that this is what life is all about as a student and keeps truckin' along.





# Jobs Fill Spare Time

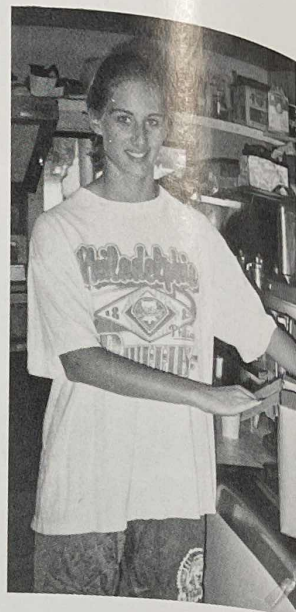
Students are part of the world of work.

**S** Not only are students' lives full of academics, activities and sports, but many find themselves a part of the world of work.

Dahm's Drive In tends to be the main choice for girls; boys work mainly as farm-hands; and Wagner's Supermarket and the Arapahoe Plunge employs both males and females. Other area businesses are also willing to hire students

on a part time basis during the school year and then full time during the summer.

Working is not always the prime choice of what to do with any spare time, but it does have at least one added benefit—money. It is always nice to have a little extra spending money around, and students also save money for camps, dues and other necessities.

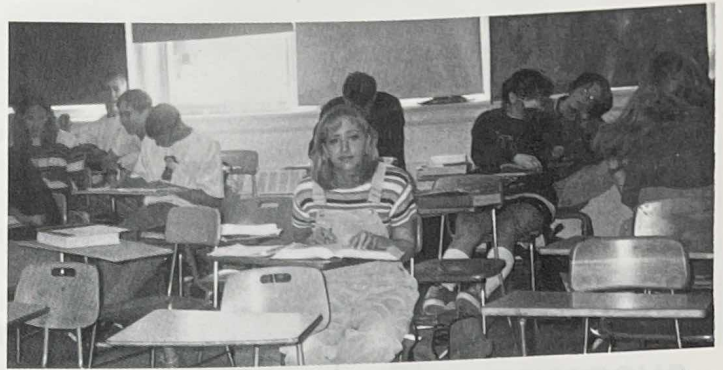
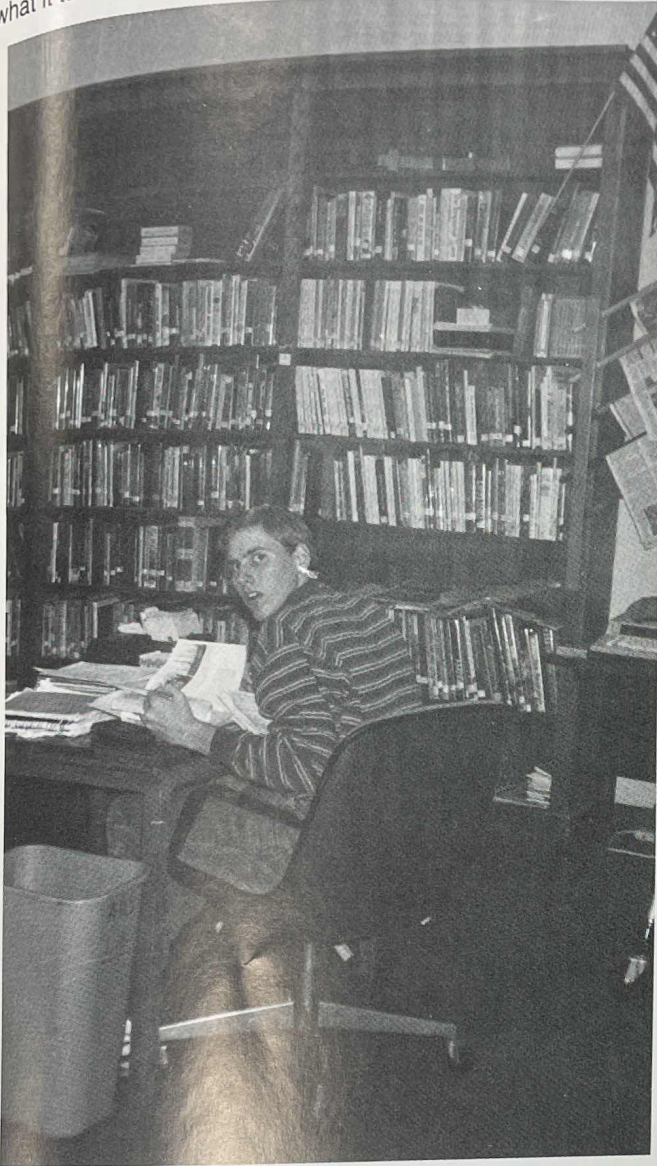


**Top Right:** Kristi Hinz opens new box of milk at Dahm's Drive In. **Above Right:** Kendall Christensen prepares to move grain out on the farm. **Above:** Erin Urbom and Kristi Hinz think that it takes two to wait on customers. **Right:** Andrea Chambers and Carrie Maxwell sack groceries at Wagner's Supermarket.

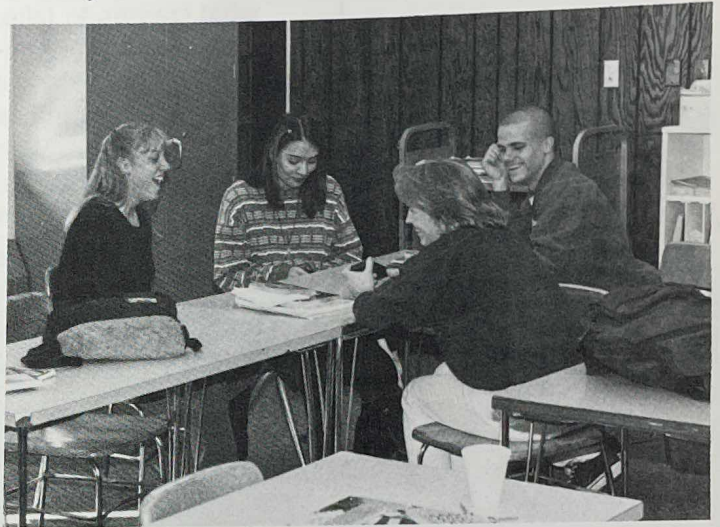




Surrounded by books galore, **Jeremy Kroemer** is learning what it takes to run the library.



Studying must not be one of **Tiffany Taylor's** favorite pastimes in English III, but it seems the rest of the her class is worry-free.



Seniors **Julie Kennicutt, Alissa Sherrerd** and **Pat Bachman** are enjoying a break from study life in **Pam Breinig's** Basic English Class.

## Study Life

Students  
Make What  
Counts,  
Count.

**F**rom killer exams to three-day lab experiments, the requirement to study is an inevitable topic in students' lives.

Studying has so many degrees. First as a freshman, one feels he has to study for every little quiz, test and discussion because he wants to start off on the

right foot. Then by the time that four year requirement has elapsed, the student finds that he *might* study for that biggie that could keep him from graduation and if he does end up studying for it after all, it only happens to be a quickie-cram during study hall.

However, teachers, all your effort is not completely lost. There are those out there who take their studies

very seriously-- that is how we come to have Valedictorians and Salutatorians.

It seems these days the majority of studying done is only when it becomes a necessity, which really is not the best mind set to have, but nearly everyone passes through that phase. This also means they will make it past that phase, mean while making what counts, count.



# Students Excel in Academics

Academics are a necessity for everyone.

**Right: Anthony Chapman, A.J. Larabee, and Terry Smith** try to keep from looking at their hands during their freshman keyboarding class.

In the fall, filling out a class schedule isn't easy. There are so many different classes offered at AHS. The range of classes at AHS makes it difficult for students to complete their schedules in the fall.

When deciding what classes to take, students need to determine what kind of college prep courses they will need. With each year that passes, the credits needed for

each course increase. Each class also needs more credits to graduate.

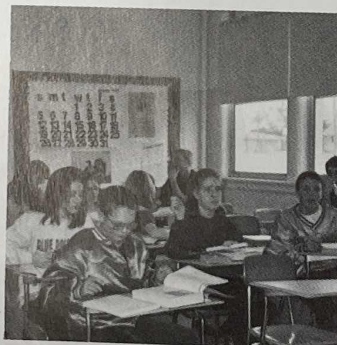
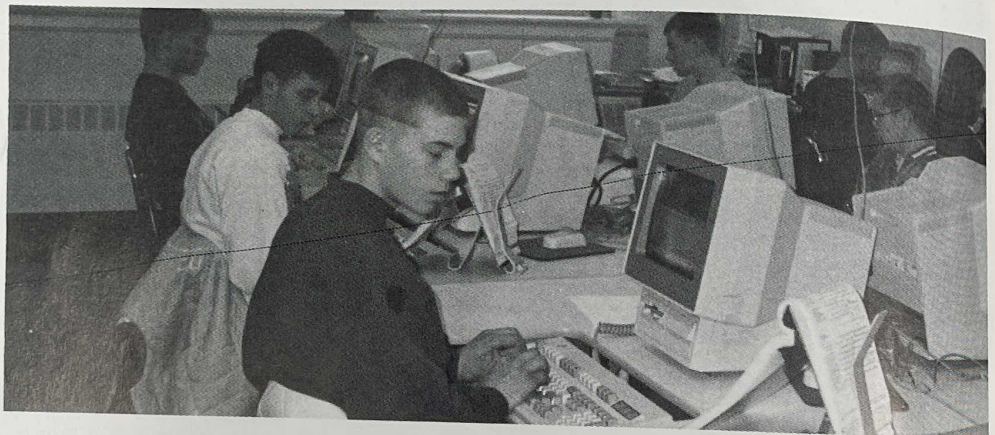
To graduate from high school, 220 credits are required. Students are required to take 30 hours per semester with a minimum of 20 hours from the "academic curriculum." Credits for high school don't change much, but the college requirements change almost yearly.



**Above: Tara Jackson** was a Class C All-State Clarinetist.



**Above: Chad Bergman** takes one last look before an applied physics test.



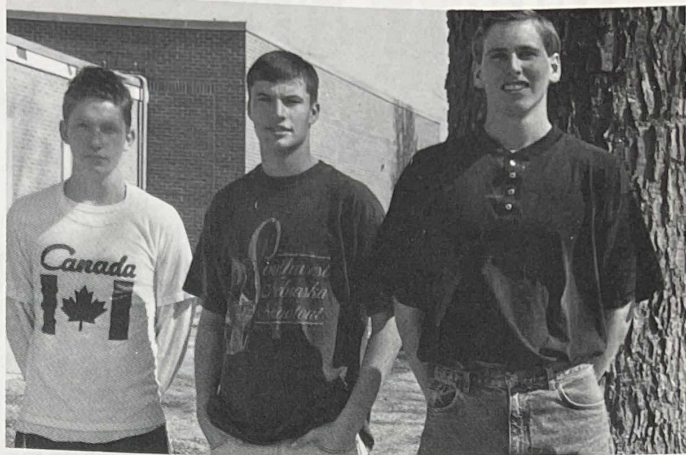
**Above: The World History** students fine tune their note taking as an everyday part of class.

**Right: Tara Jackson, Andrea Tracy, Megan Long, and Lyndzie Clouse** help out with preschool in the Home Ec room.



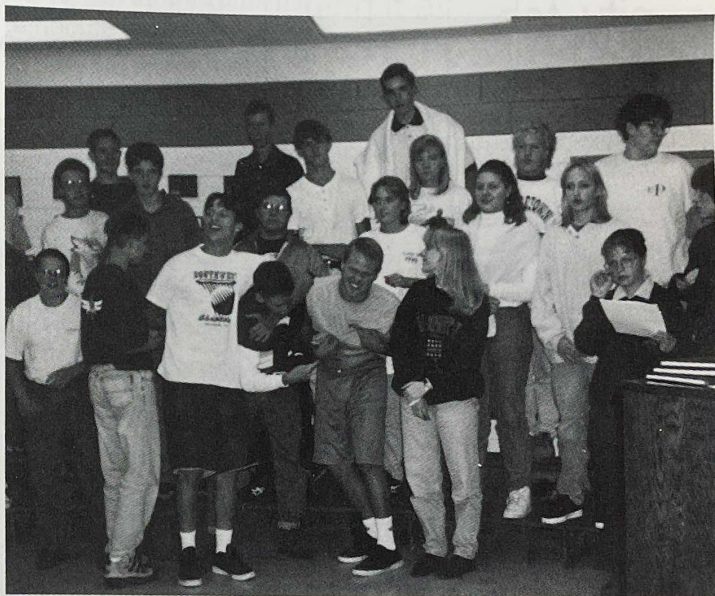


**Below:** Getting sick of studying, Megan McClintic attempts to hide in her locker.



**Above:** RVL Art awards were awarded to to **Nate Hilker, Ross Collins** and **Jeremy Kroemer.**

**Below:** Giving them something to sing about, **Joel McCoy** flexes his six pack for chorus.



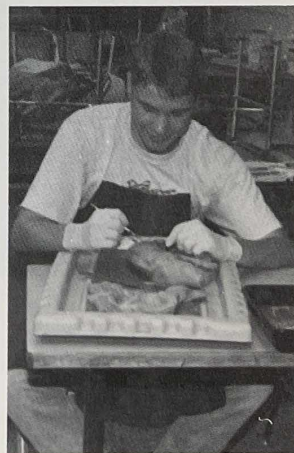
## Hands-on Courses Prove Useful

Hands-on  
courses foster  
skills.

**H**ands-on courses include Home Economics classes which allow students to hold a preschool week, sew, cook, and become self sufficient through a variety of adult experiences. Anatomy, which allows for the dissection of cats, journalism, which is responsible for news

paper and yearbook production, and computer courses, which foster skills from keyboarding to graphic design, are also experiential courses. Courses are a welcome break from traditional lecture courses.

**Right:** **Allen Blake** takes extra care in dissecting his pig.

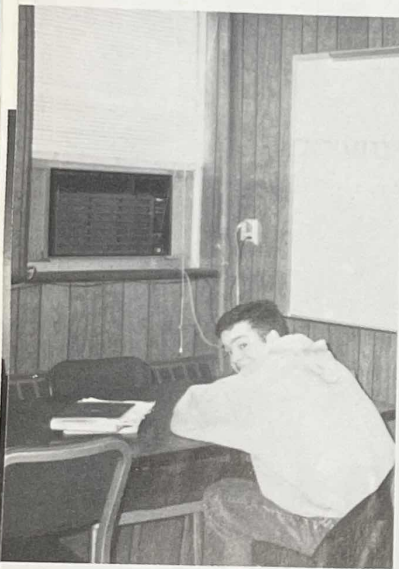




# Wave of Future Heightens Student Opportunities

Not only students took classes, but members of the community, too.

**Below: Joe Lambert** studies for one of his many College Algebra tests.



**Right: Alissa Sherrard** looks at a magazine while waiting for the tv's to come on for class.

Taking a, well, bite out of the crime of having no variety of classes wasn't easy, but a huge advance in the technology at AHS was made with the addition of the fiber optics program.

Construction of the room in part of the old shop area was finished in early September, and offered many new courses for students. Examples included

College English Composition, College Algebra, Statistics and French.

Principal Larry Lambert noted that, "We can offer many extra courses that small schools cannot normally have available."

Next year students will have even more classes upon approval such as advanced Psychology and Math courses pumped in from schools and colleges around the state.

**Below: Principal Lambert** was instrumental in getting the fiber optics program going.





# sports

## it only takes an image

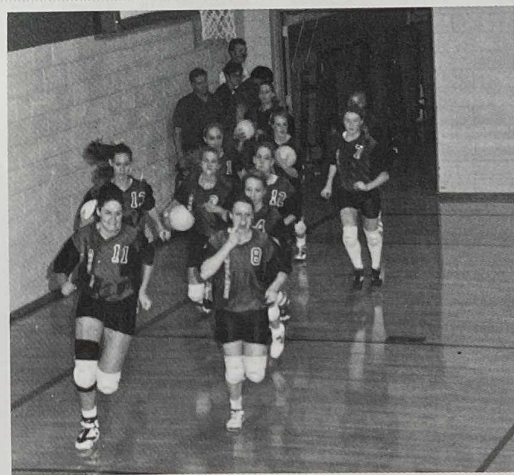
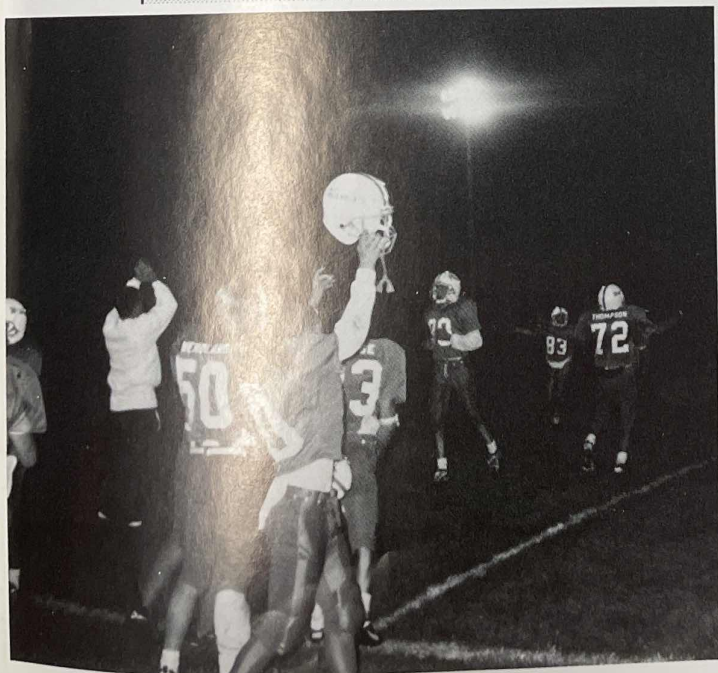
From broken bones to sprained ankles, Warrior Athletics was put through the wringer, yet came out at the top of many charts.

Once a player steps one foot on the court, field or mat, his dedication puts him in the line of fire and at the risk of injuring his body, psyche and often times his ego.

However, that is what athletics is all about-- putting it all on the line for the pure joy of the game. There could not be any other explanation for why a sane student would trade in his books for an Ace Bandage and an ice-bath, is there?

Just imagine what it would be like to have a state gold medal hanging around your neck, cameras flashing and standing proudly before your school and family.

That is the image that keeps the athletes of AHS striving for more and stops them from giving up. The dream of becoming that image is what allows our athletes to make it through one more year of bandages, bruises and tears.





# Cheerleading-

"The best was District Wrestling, I have to admit, even though I got sick!"--Carrie Maxwell

## Squads Succeed with Determination and Desire

To give the student body a feel of what it is like to entertain an excite a crowd, the nine-member cheerleading squad took a new approach during the winter sports season.

Each class was assigned a date to perform a pep rally (*on its own*) with a challenge to please our usually stone-faced audience.

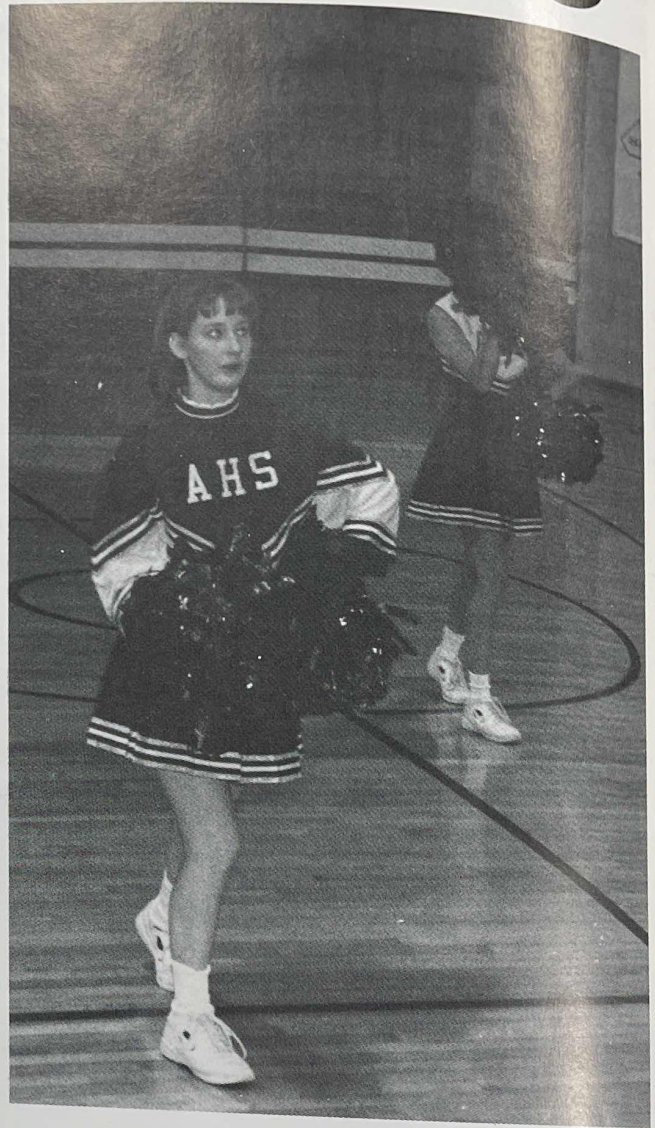
President of the Sophomore Class, **Courtney McNulty**, recalled that "putting on a pep rally yourself is hard work. The hardest part was getting everyone in-

involved; I understand what the cheerleaders go through."

Also new for the cheerleaders was a camp headed by **Dixie Voss**, a UNK cheerleader. She provided the cheerleaders with a new fight cheer, plus a dance routine that was performed during half-time of the Arapahoe/Republican Valley football game.

The fall squad was led by **Joanna Smith** and co-captain, **Lyndzie Clouse**, while the split squads for the winter season were led by **Kola Crawford**, basketball, and **Megan McClintic**, wrestling.

Senior basketball cheerleader, **Jennifer Breinig**, shows her school spirit to the crowd by doing the fight cheer to perfection.

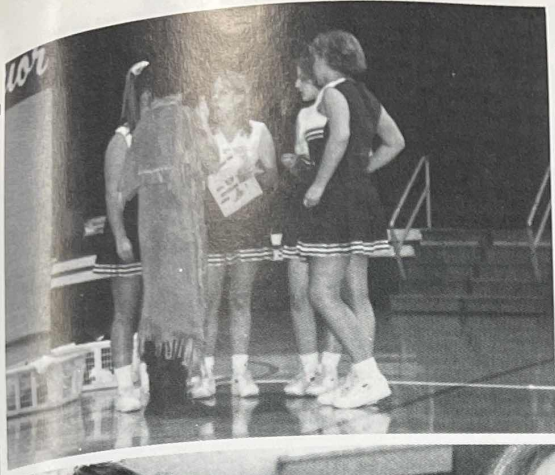


**Above:** Freshman **Ryan Collins** challenges senior **Megan McClintic** to do the chicken dance at the freshman pep rally.

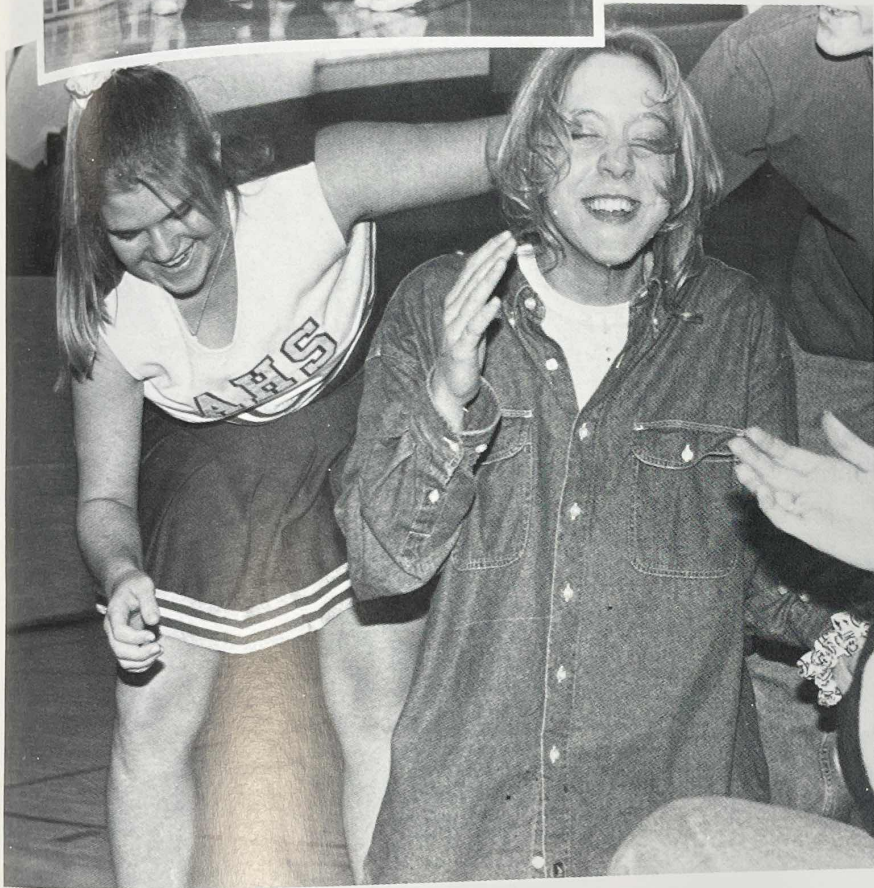
**Right:** **Carrie Maxwell**, **Zach Nott**, **Jon Pruitt**, **Jon Crawford**, **Jason Raastad** and **A.J. Larabee** only look on in amusement as **Paula Christensen** limbo's her way to the finish line.







Left: Gearing up for action, wrestling cheerleaders **Sonresa Powers, Cherry Crawford, Lyndzie Clouse** and **Carrie Maxwell** take a few last minute instructions from captain, **Megan McClintic**. Below left: Volleyball/Football Cheerleaders **Carrie Maxwell, Sonresa Powers** and **Kola Crawford** show the crowd that they can get down with the best of 'em doing the chicken dance.



Above left: **Nicole Paine**, under the assistance of wrestling cheerleader **Sonresa Powers**, supports the state qualifying wrestlers by bobbing for apples during the State pep rally.

The spirit leaders of '96-'97 are in row 1 (l-r): **Lyndzie Clouse, Sonresa Powers, Cherry Crawford, Megan McClintic** and **Carrie Maxwell**. Row 2: **Kiley Stoye, Andrea Tracy, Kola Crawford** and **Jennifer Breinig**.



# Cross Country

## Young XC Team Strives for Goals

Even though only three seniors were on both the girls' and boys' teams, many goals were set and met during the course of this XC season.

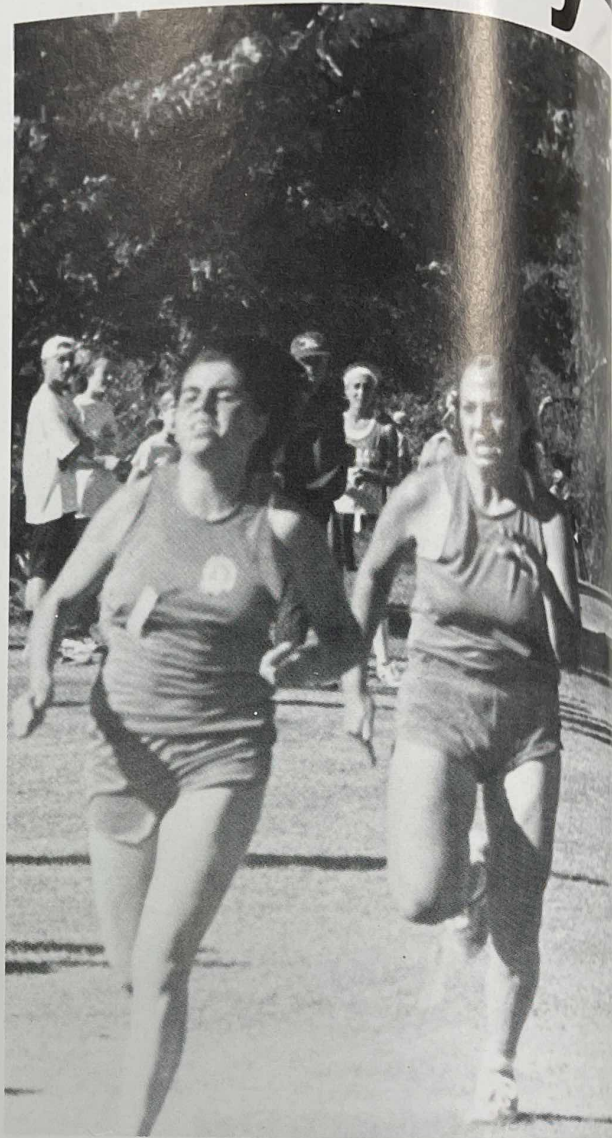
**Julie Kennicutt** paced the girls' team while **Joe Lambert** and **Jon Haussler** led the boys team to a great year. The boys won their first race in Dundy County.

Besides senior lead-

ership, **Keri Campbell**, a junior, had a very successful season.

"It was a tough season, but so many people on the team put forth a really huge effort," said **Campbell**.

**Campbell** and teammate **Haussler** both placed high enough at District competition in Grant to qualify themselves for the state meet in Kearney. Neither placed at the state meet, but felt they had a very rewarding year.

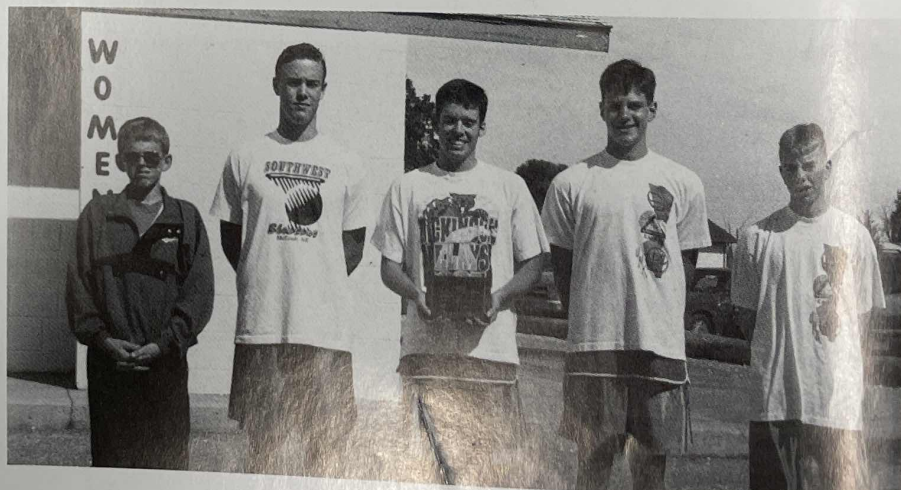


**Right: Cherry Crawford and Julie Kennicutt arrive at the finish line tired and out of breath.**

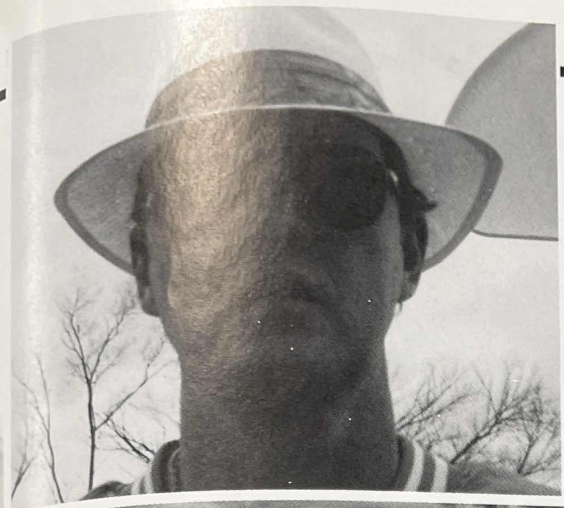


**Above: Timers and pickers anxiously await the incoming runners.**

**Right: Chad Carpenter, JR Utterback, Joe Lambert, Zach Nott and Jon Hendricks accept the 1st place trophy.**







**Left:** Coach **Charles Collins** was caught off guard as he was going to watch his team run.



## SCOREBOARD

| <u>Meet</u>           | <u>Girls'; Boys' Placings</u> |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Cozad                 | 10th;11th                     |
| Broken Bow            | 8th;12th                      |
| Dundy County          | 6th;1st                       |
| UNK Invite            | 10th;11th                     |
| Gothenburg            | 11th;11th                     |
| Southern Valley (RVL) | 5th;5th                       |

**Left:** **Jon Haussler** finishes a tough race while teammate **Keri Campbell** cheers him on.



**Left:** Row one: (from l to r) **Chad Carpenter**, **Keri Campbell**, **Julie Kennicutt**, **Jessica Hjort**, **Cherry Crawford** and **Becky Adams**. Row two: **Jon Hendricks**, **Jon Haussler**, **Joe Lambert**, **JR Utterback**, **Zach Nott** and Coach **Charles Collins**.



# Volleyball

## Lady Warriors Make History

Capturing strong finishes at tournaments, a state rating in the World Herald, and a 19-8 winning season, the Lady Warrior Volleyball Team made volleyball history.

Even though the goal of reaching state was stopped by the Alma Cardinals, five seniors, **Jennifer Collins**, **Sarah Lammel**, **Megan McClintic**, **Nicole Paine**, and **Angela Braithwait**, led the Lady Warriors through a very rewarding season.

With new coach **Larry Lambert**, the team captured championship trophies at the Culbertson Invite and Southern Valley Tournament. They also took third place in the RVL Tourney and Holdredge Tournament.

"Although a trip to Lincoln would have been a great ending to the season, the hard work of our team built character throughout the season," stated junior **Tiffany Taylor**.

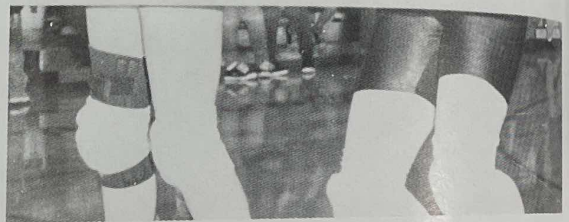
**Natasha Fisher** topped the serving charts at 94%, contributing 161 points. **Taylor** was 97% in setting for the season connecting with 264 assists, followed by teammate **McClintic** at 95% setting, with 229 assists. **Lammel** put down 143 kills for the Lady Warriors, hitting at 91% for the season, completing 213 out of 390 at-

tempts. **Collins** ended with 309 kills at the net and completed 251 out of 628 attempts, for 89%. **Collins** paced the Warriors in blocking with 108, followed closely behind by **Fisher** with 91.

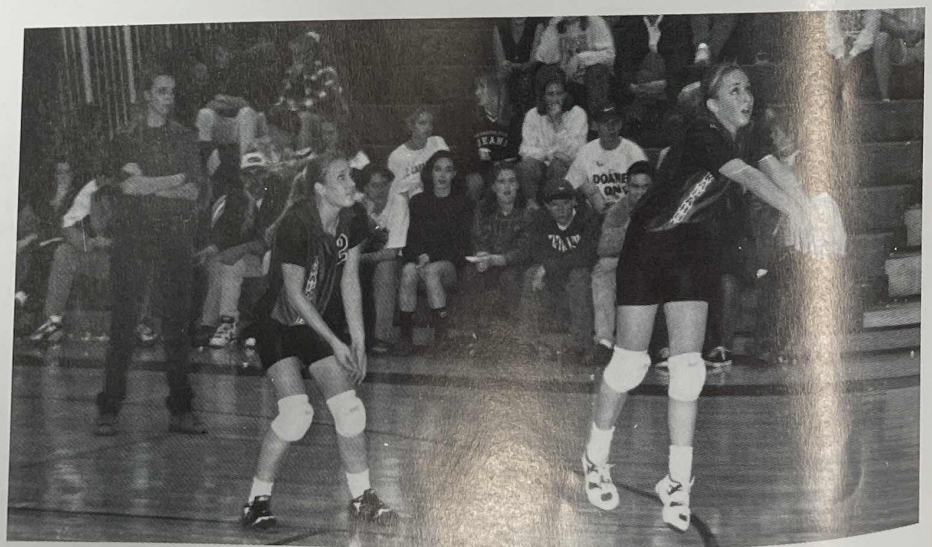
Individual honors were awarded to **Collins** for RVL 1st Team, **Lammel** for RVL 2nd Team, and **Fisher** for RVL Honorable Mention. **Collins** was also named to the All-State Class C-2 1st Team, *Kearney Hub* 1st Team, and the *McCook Gazette* 1st Team. **Lammel** was also named to the *Kearney Hub* Honorable Mention team.

To further her volleyball career, **Collins** signed with the Division I Iowa State Cyclones for the '97 season.

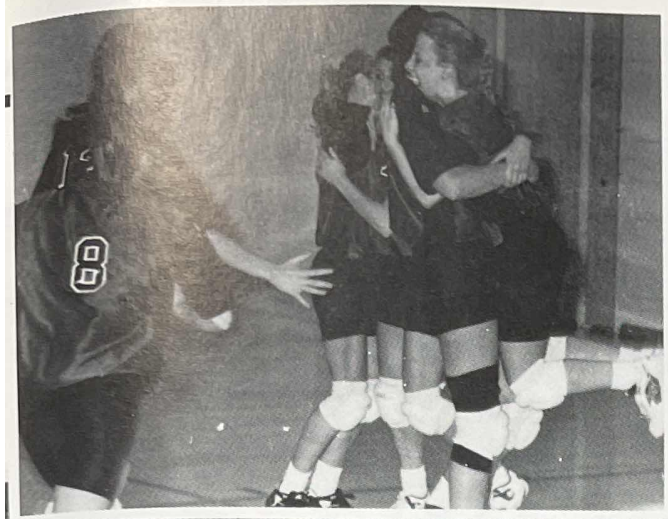
**Right: Jennifer Collins and Angela Braithwait** set up for the block.



**Right: Tiffany Taylor** passes the ball, while teammate **Sarah Lammel** assists.







**Left:** Angela Braithwait and Natasha Fisher run to celebrate with their teammates Sarah Lammel, Tiffany Taylor, Jennifer Collins, and Megan McClintic on their victory.



| SCOREBOARD   |                               |              |
|--------------|-------------------------------|--------------|
| Arapahoe     | Opponent                      |              |
| 15-5, 15-8   | Elwood                        |              |
| 15-5         | Alma                          | 13-15, 12-15 |
| 1st          | <i>Culbertson Invite</i>      |              |
| 15-10, 15-4  | Dundy County                  |              |
| 15-10, 15-3  | Bertrand                      |              |
| 3rd          | <i>Holdrege Invite</i>        |              |
|              | North Platte St. Pats         | 8-15, 9-15   |
| 15-2, 15-10  | Medicine Valley               |              |
|              | Southern Valley               | 10-15, 9-15  |
|              | Wilcox                        | 9-15, 2-15   |
| 15-2, 15-6   | Lexington JV                  |              |
| 3rd          | <i>RVL</i>                    |              |
|              | Sandy Creek                   |              |
| 1st          | <i>Southern Valley Invite</i> |              |
| 15-13, 20-18 | Elm Creek                     |              |
| 15-12, 15-9  | Cambridge                     | 9-15         |
|              | <i>Sub-District</i>           |              |
| 15-7, 15-6   | Cambridge                     | 9-15         |
|              | <i>District</i>               |              |
|              | Alma                          | 10-15, 12-15 |

**Above Left:** Natasha Fisher goes for the kill, while Courtney McNulty, Sarah Lammel, Tiffany Taylor, and Angela Braithwait get ready for coverage.



**Left:** The 1997 Volleyball Team include Row 1 (l to r): Kelly Fisher, Jill Fisher, Kristen Bergman, Shantel Monie, Andrea McClintic, Nici Kreutzer, and Cassie Helms. Row 2: Student manager Heather Rhinehart, Katie Smith, Jenny Hilker, Denise Pfeiffer, Kristi Carnes, Diana Ahrens, Kiley Stoye, Sonresa Powers, and Coach Ann Collins. Row 3: Kristi Hinz, Megan McClintic, Sarah Lammel, Nicole Paine, Natasha Fisher, Jennifer Collins, Courtney McNulty, Angela Braithwait, Tiffany Taylor, Erin Urbom, Misty Hill, and Coach Larry Lambert.



# Football

"Although our record may not have shown it, everyone worked hard and had a lot of fun." --Brent Christensen

## Determination Overcomes Diversity

Of the twenty-three member Warrior Football Team, Seven seniors provided the backbone of this young team.

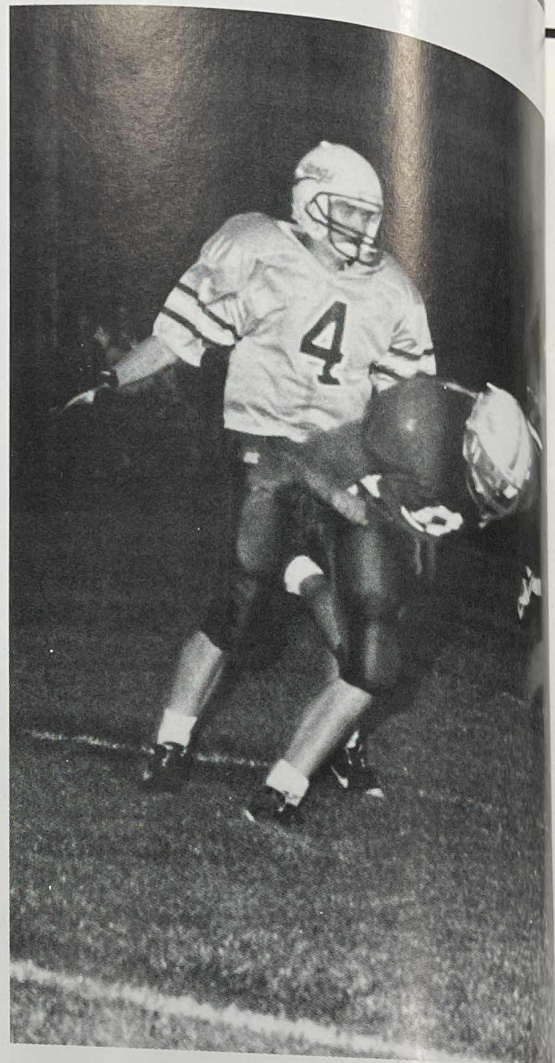
Seniors **Jeremy Soncksen, Jeremy Clouse** and **Brent Christensen** completed their last seasons with All-Area and All-Conference honors. **Soncksen** was selected to Honorable Mention *McCook Gazette*, Second Team *Kearney Hub*, and Honorable Mention *Omaha World Herald*. **Christensen** was named second Team punter *McCook Gazette*, Honorable Mention *Omaha World Herald* and Honorable Mention *Kearney Hub*.

**Clouse** was also named Honorable Mention *Kearney Hub*.

Other Seniors leading the team were **Ross Collins, Joel McCoy, Andrew Thompson**, and **Jeremy Kroemer**.

Sophomore **Mike Monter** was the leading rusher averaging five yards per carry. **Christensen, Soncksen** and **Clouse** were the leading tacklers for the Warriors. **Christensen** was also the leading receiver and led the team with 12 catches.

"We had some bad breaks and unfortunate mistakes that costs us two games at the end of the season," said Coach Isom.



Above: **Brent Christensen** gets taken down by a Mustang opponent.

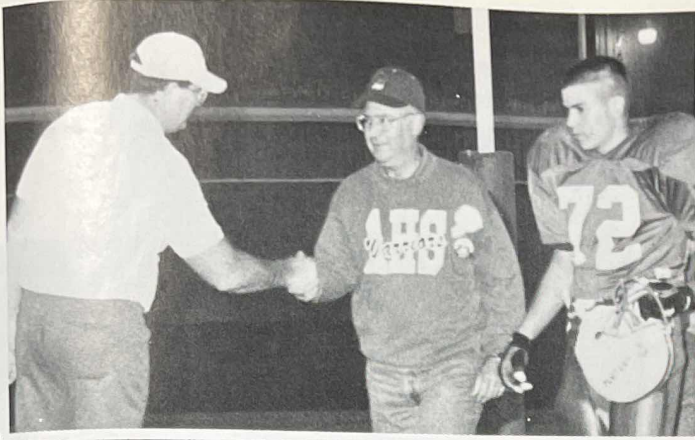


Above: **Roger Maxwell** gets in on the tackle.

Senior players are Row 1 (l to r): **Jeremy Clouse, Brent Christensen**, and **Joel McCoy**. Row 2: **Andrew Thompson, Jeremy Kroemer, Ross Collins**, and **Jeremy Soncksen**.

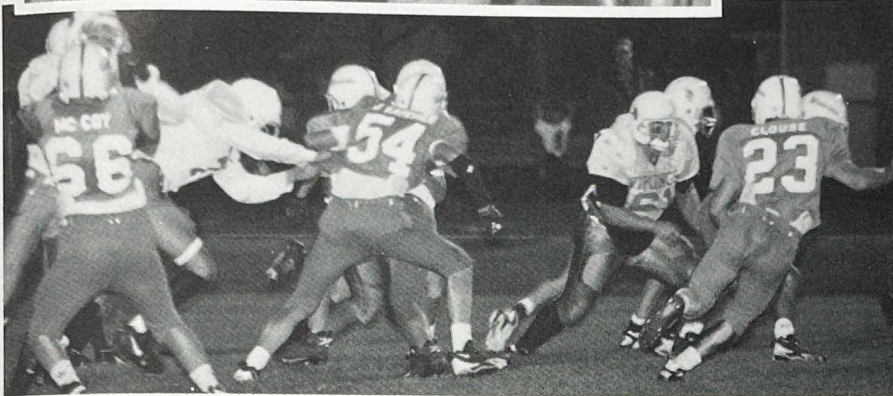






Right: Coach Charles Isom congratulates Gary Isom and Andrew Thompson on Parents' Night.

Below: Joel McCoy, Jeremy Kroemer and Jeremy Clouse play great defense.



### SCOREBOARD

| <u>Arapahoe</u> | <u>Opponent</u>            |    |
|-----------------|----------------------------|----|
| 0               | Sutherland                 | 39 |
| 6               | Alma                       | 26 |
| 22              | Dundy County               | 27 |
| 26              | Bertrand                   | 14 |
| 21              | Southern Valley            | 58 |
| 7               | Republican Valley          | 48 |
| 6               | Cambridge                  | 74 |
| 0               | Dundy County<br>(Playoffs) | 55 |

Left: Jeremy Kroemer Blocks for Brent Christensen who is carrying the football.

The Warrior Football Team includes Row 1 (l to r): student manager Andrew Isom, Grant Walbridge, Kendall Christensen, Jesse Olivo, Ryan Collins, Chris Blickenstaff, Anthony Chapman, Terry Smith and Student Manager Justin Spaulding. Row 2: Jon Crawford, Scott Avara, Nick Collins, Jeff Larson, Andy Thomas, Jamie Wendland, Mike Monter, James Larson and Coach Jeff Spaulding. Row 3: Coach Charles Isom, Joel McCoy, Andrew Thompson, Jeremy Soncksen, Jeremy Clouse, Jeremy Kroemer, Brent Christensen, Ross Collins, Roger Maxwell, Chad Bergman, and Coach Phillip Turner.



# Wrestling

"All four of us wrestled as hard as we could. It may not have turned out the way we planned, but we gave it our all." --Jeremy Clouse

## A Quartet Qualifies to State Meet

The 1997 Arapahoe Wrestling Team finished a close fourth at the D-3 District Wrestling Tournament and qualified a quartet of warriors to compete at the State Wrestling Tournament in Lincoln.

State qualifiers were sophomore **James Larson**, junior **Roger Maxwell** and seniors **Jeremy Soncksen** and **Jeremy Clouse**.

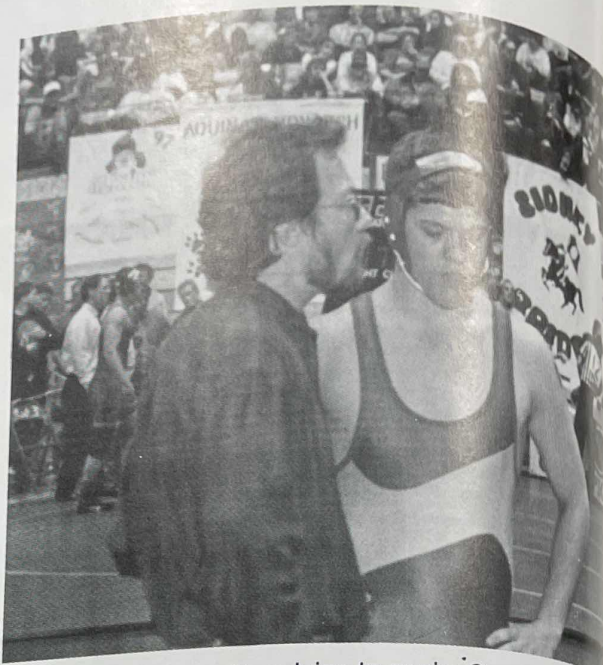
Action during the final round of the State Tournament presented **Maxwell** with the third place medal in the 135 weight class division. **Soncksen** and **Clouse** both brought home the fourth place medal in the 171 and 189 weight class division, respectively.

The Warrior Quartet finished 14th at the State Meet out of the 52 teams under the

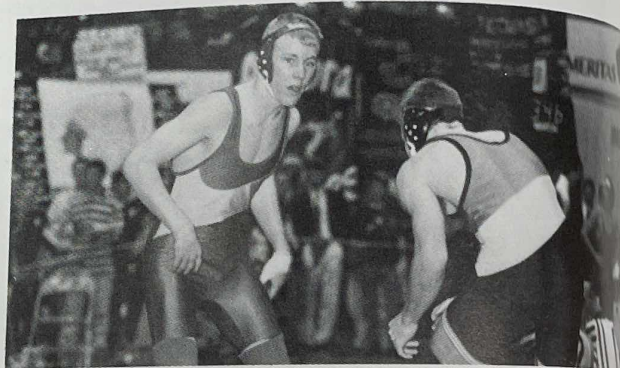
coaching of **Darrell Barnes** and assistants **Jeff Spaulding** and **Kevin Hilker**.

Despite being plagued by injury, many records were set this season. **Maxwell** now holds the record for Most Takedowns in a Season with 125, while **Jesse Olivo** and **Jason Raastad** hold the new records for the Fastest Pin, 24 seconds and 10 seconds, respectively. **Soncksen** now holds the record in the 171 class for Most Team Points in a Season Over 500 with 582, and **Clouse** holds the same record, but in the 189 weight class with 511 points.

Looking for assistance at the State Meet is **Maxwell**.

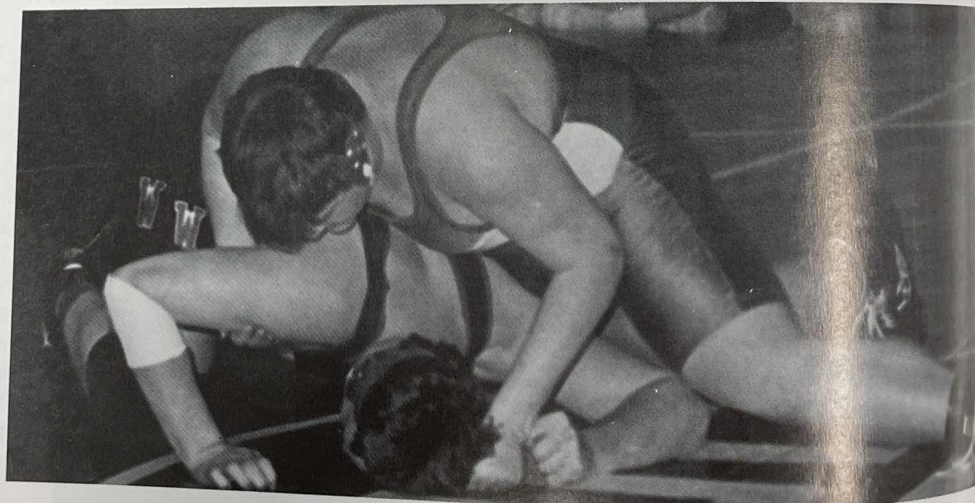


Barnes gives quality advice to senior Soncksen at the Deavany Center.

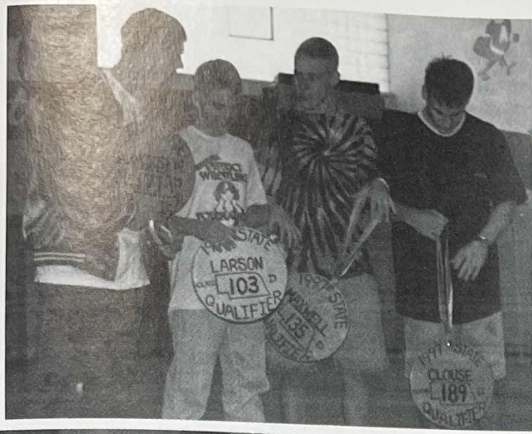


At the State Meet **Clouse** works his way to a fourth place finish.

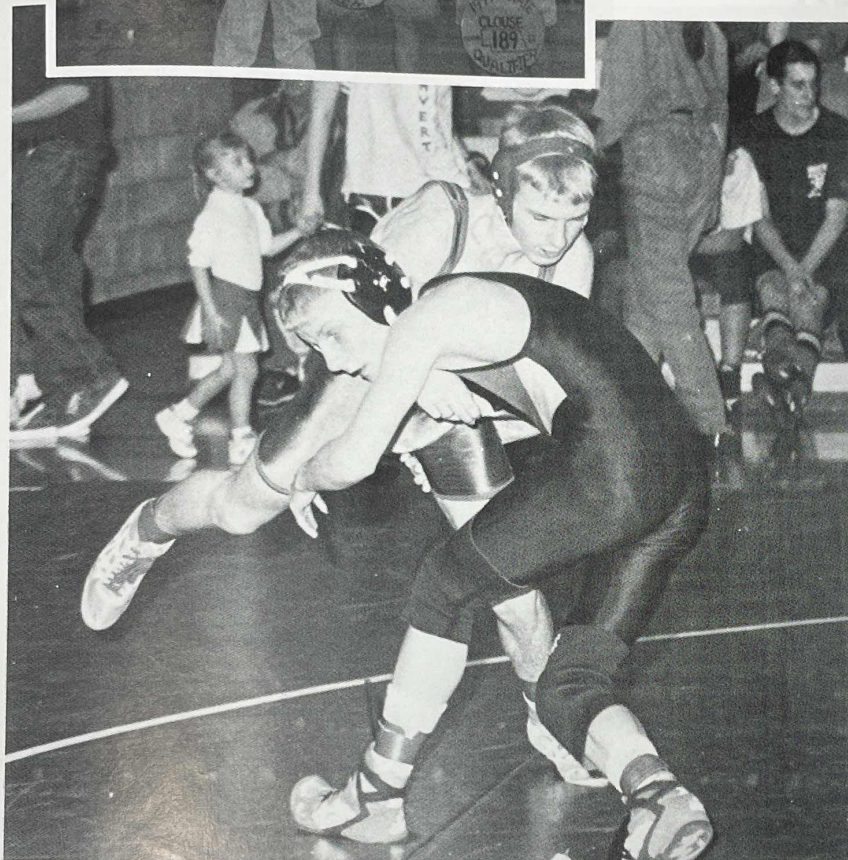
**Raastad** overpowers his opponent at the Arapahoe Invite.







The Quartet consisting of **Soncksen, Larson, Maxwell** and **Clouse**, were honored at the state pep rally with medals made by **Chris Clouse**.



| SCOREBOARD             |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| <u>Meet</u>            | <u>Team Standing</u> |
| Cambridge/Bertrand     | 2-0                  |
| Southern Valley Tourn. | 2nd                  |
| Holdrege/Alma          | 1-1                  |
| Elgin Pope John Inv.   | 3rd                  |
| Amherst                | 3rd                  |
| Gibbon                 | 5th                  |
| RVL                    | 3rd                  |
| R.V./S.V.              | 0-2                  |
| Arapahoe Inv.          | 5th                  |
| Loup City              | 3rd                  |
| State                  | 14th                 |

**Larson** takes on one of his opponents at the Arapahoe Invitational.



Members of the wrestling squad are, Row 1 (l-r): **Julie Kennicutt**, statistician, **James Larson**, **Chris Blickenstaff**, **A.J. Larabee**, **Chad Carpenter** and **Keri Campbell**, statistician. Row 2: **Jeff Larson**, **Chance Blickenstaff**, student manager, **Grant Walbridge**, **Jesse Olivo**, **Dustyn John**, **Mike Thomas**, **Roger Maxwell**, **Jeremy Soncksen** and **Jon Barnes**, student manager. Row 3: **Darrell Barnes**, head coach, **Jeff Harmon**, **Jon Crawford**, **Jon Pruitt**, **Andy Thomas**, **Jason Raastad**, **Jeremy Clouse**, **Jamie DeBaal**, and **Jeff Spaulding**, assistant coach. Not pictured is **Kevin Hilker**, assistant coach.



# Basketball

## Lady Warriors Finish 15-4

Eighteen Lady Warriors combined their efforts on the court to make this an extremely successful year, finishing 15-4.

Under the direction of new head coach **Philip Turner**, the team earned the runner-up trophy in the RVL Conference Tournament and beat Cambridge twice. Although all 18 girls contributed in the success of the team, several girls had success statistic wise. Leading the Lady Warriors in most categories was **Jennifer Collins**.

**Collins** led the Lady Warriors in three areas. She ended her season with 250 rebounds, 349 points, and 58 steals. **Tiffany Taylor** led the Lady Warriors in assists with 79.

The Lady Warriors also had three girls receive regional awards.

**Collins** was named 2nd team *Kearney Hub*, 1st team *McCook Gazette*, 2nd team All-



**Above:** Nicole Paine goes up for two. **Right:** Natasha Fisher and Sarah Lammel hustle for the ball.

State, 1st team RVL, she was also invited to play in the CSO game.

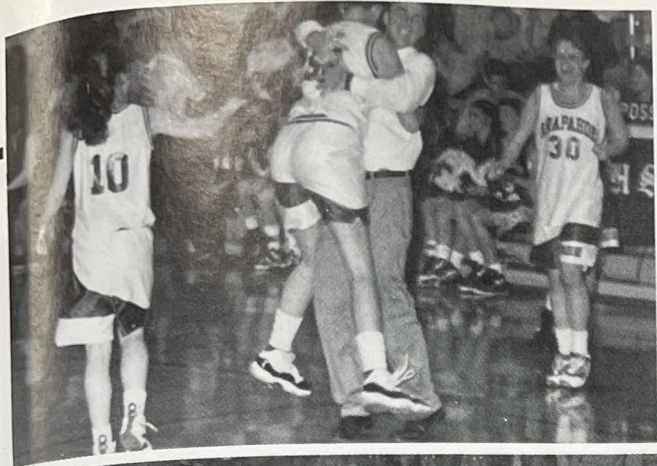
**Sarah Lammel** was named 2nd team RVL, *Kearney Hub* Honorable Mention, *Lincoln Star* Honorable Mention, she was chosen to play in the Miss Basketball Tournament, and she will join **Jennifer** in the CSO game. **Natasha Fisher** was named *Kearney Hub* Honorable Mention.

"The young ladies worked very hard all year long. Because of this, we had a very successful season they all can be proud of for many years to come," commented **Coach Turner**.

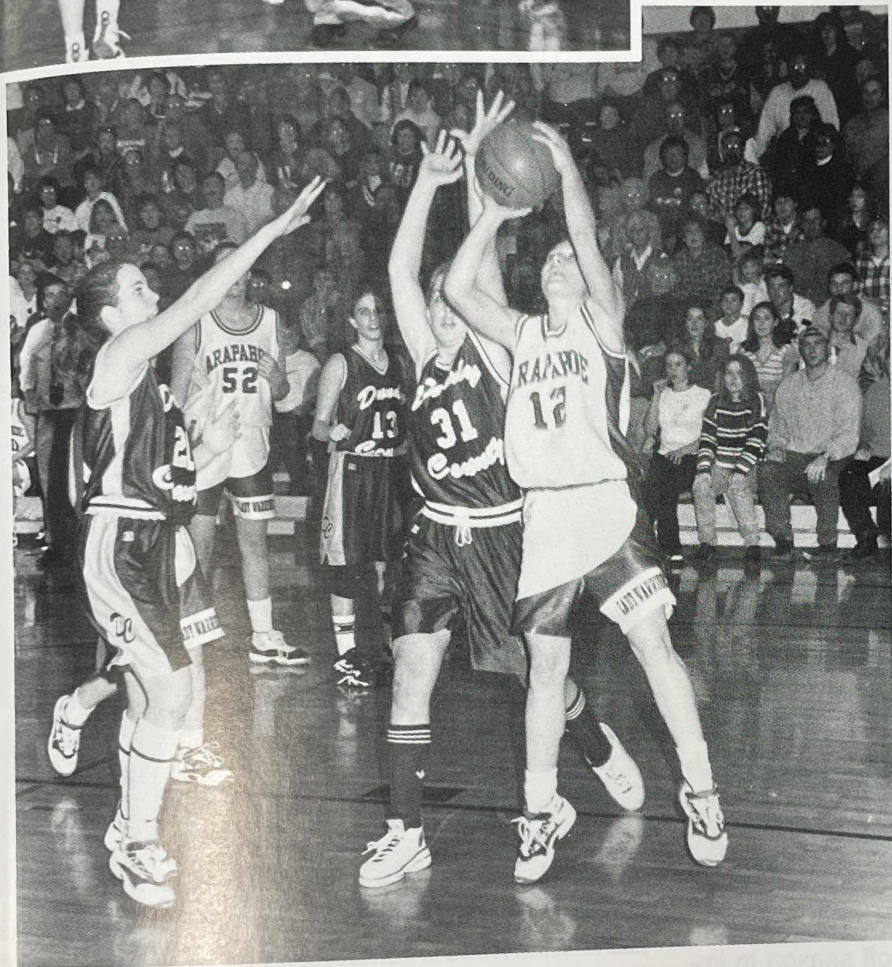
**Left:** The Lady Warriors accept their second place RVL tournament plaque.







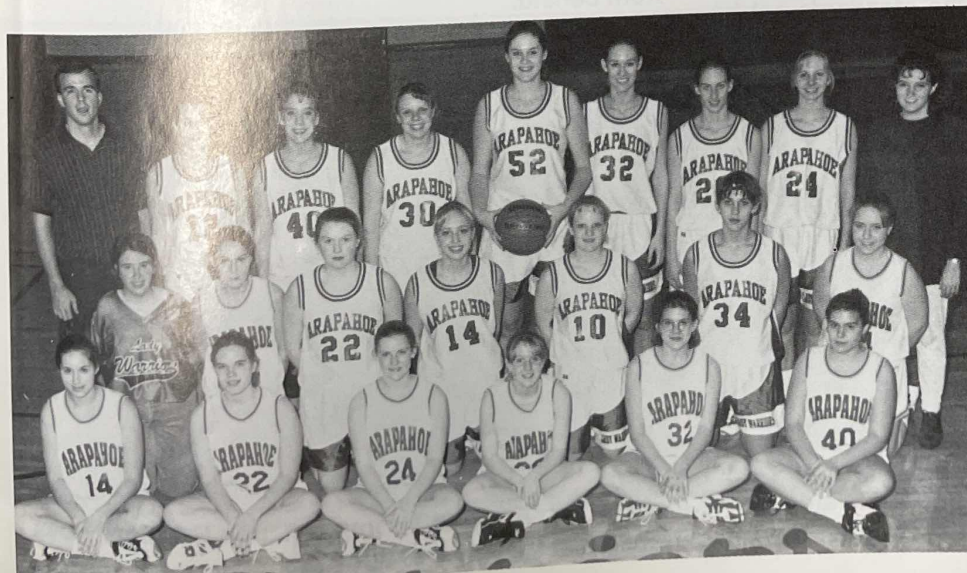
Left: Jennifer Collins and Angela Braithwait celebrate with Coach Turner as the clock winds down for Cambridge.



### SCOREBOARD

| Arapahoe | Opponent                  |    |
|----------|---------------------------|----|
| 52       | Wauneta-Palisade          | 60 |
| 71       | Alma                      | 41 |
| 46       | Southern Valley           | 56 |
| 56       | Republican Valley         | 54 |
| 56       | Trenton                   | 37 |
| 73       | Northern Valley           | 56 |
| 57       | Amherst                   | 50 |
| 76       | Medicine Valley           | 34 |
| 45       | Culbertson                | 41 |
| 61       | Elwood                    | 52 |
| 50       | Dundy County              | 49 |
| 72       | Republican Valley         | 55 |
|          | (1st Round RVL)           |    |
| 39       | Southern Valley           | 41 |
|          | (2nd Round RVL)           |    |
| 63       | Loomis                    | 26 |
| 61       | Bertrand                  | 46 |
| 67       | Cambridge                 | 35 |
| 63       | Wilcox                    | 50 |
| 57       | Cambridge                 | 47 |
|          | (1st Round Sub Districts) |    |
| 58       | Republican Valley         | 68 |
|          | (2nd Round Sub Districts) |    |

Above: Sarah Lammel looks to score against Dundy County defenders.



Left: Members of the Lady Warrior Basketball Team include Row 1 (l-r): Diana Ahrens, Kelly Fisher, Kristen Bergman, Jill Fisher, Shantel Monie, Nici Kreutzer, Row 2: Heather Rhinehart, Kiley Stoye, Courtney McNulty, Tiffany Taylor, Misty Hill, Kristi Carnes, Andrea McClintic, Row 3: Coach Philip Turner, Sarah Lammel, Nicole Paine, Angela Braithwait, Jennifer Collins, Natasha Fisher, Kristi Hinz, Erin Urbom, and Coach Traci Uehlin.



# Basketball

"Although the post season wasn't productive, the rest of the season proved to be rewarding."--  
Andrew Thompson

## Seven Seniors Spark Winning Season

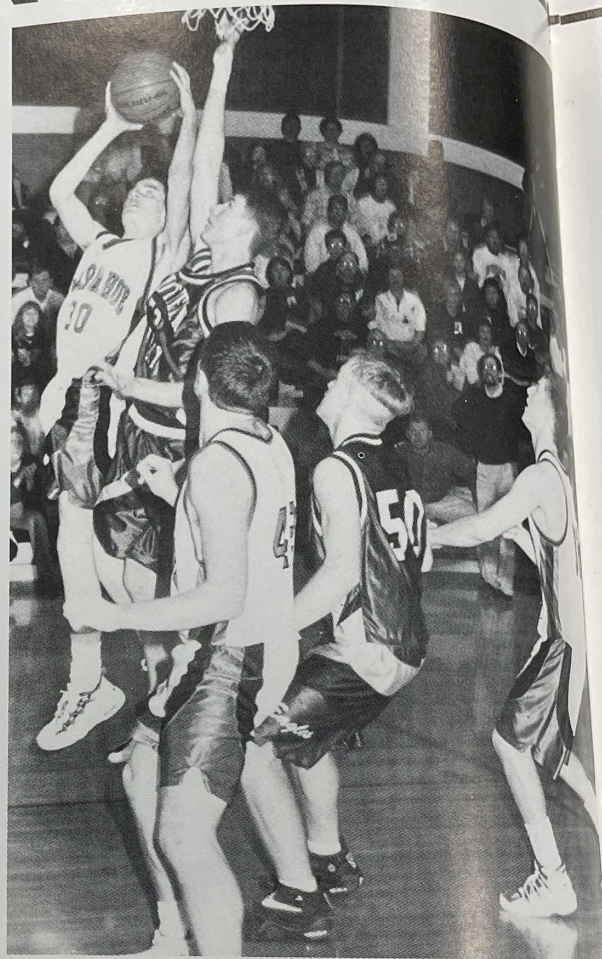
Led by nine returning letterwinners the 18-member Warrior Basketball Team finished its season with a 12-8 record.

All Area and All Conference honors went to Senior **Jon Haussler**. **Haussler** was selected to the 1st Team RVL, 1st Team *McCook Gazette*, 2nd Team *Kearney Hub*, and Honorable Mention All State. Sophomore **Nick Collins** was also selected to Honorable Mention *Kearney Hub* Team.

Chart leaders were Senior **Ross Collins** averaging 6.8 rebounds per game, and **Haussler**, averaging 19.9 points per game. Seven different school records were broken this

year. **Haussler** was responsible for breaking six of them and Senior **Joe Lambert** broke one. **Haussler** now has the records for steals per game, three-pointers per game, career steals, steals in one season, steals average and the three point percentage in one season. **Lambert** holds the record for career three pointers.

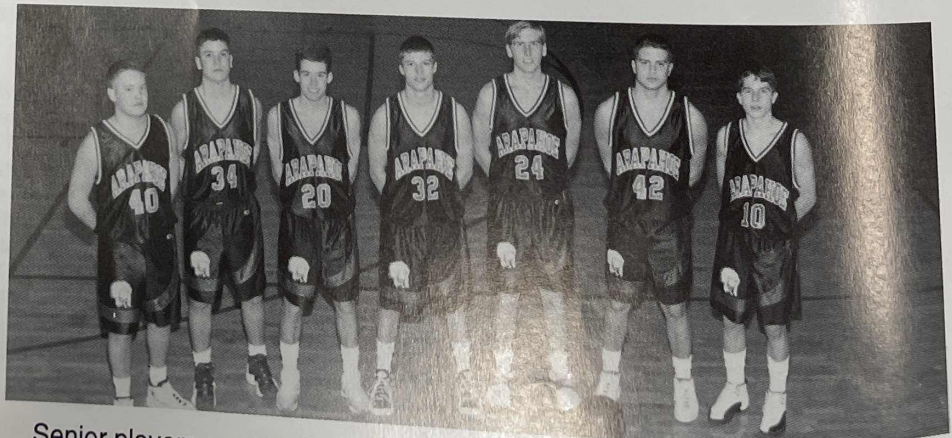
"This group of kids overachieved more than any group of kids I have been associated with," said Coach **Bob Braithwait**. "Our seniors were a great group to work with and they will be missed. We do have some talent coming, but they will need to work hard in the off season to improve the standards set before them.



Above: **Nick Collins** puts the ball in for two points, while teammates **Ross Collins** and **Brent Christensen** watch from behind.



Above: **Ross Collins** manages to keep the ball from his opponents.

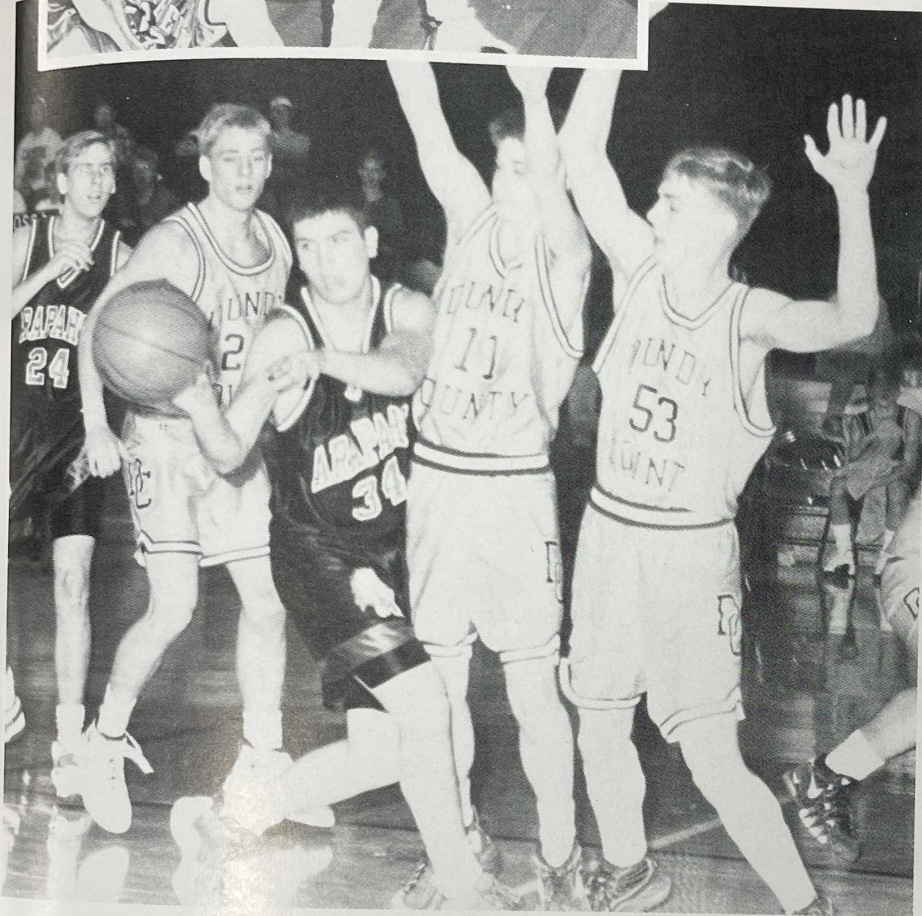


Senior players are (l to r): **Joel McCoy**, **Andrew Thompson**, **Joe Lambert**, **Ross Collins**, **Jeremy Kroemer**, **Brent Christensen** and **Jon Haussler**.



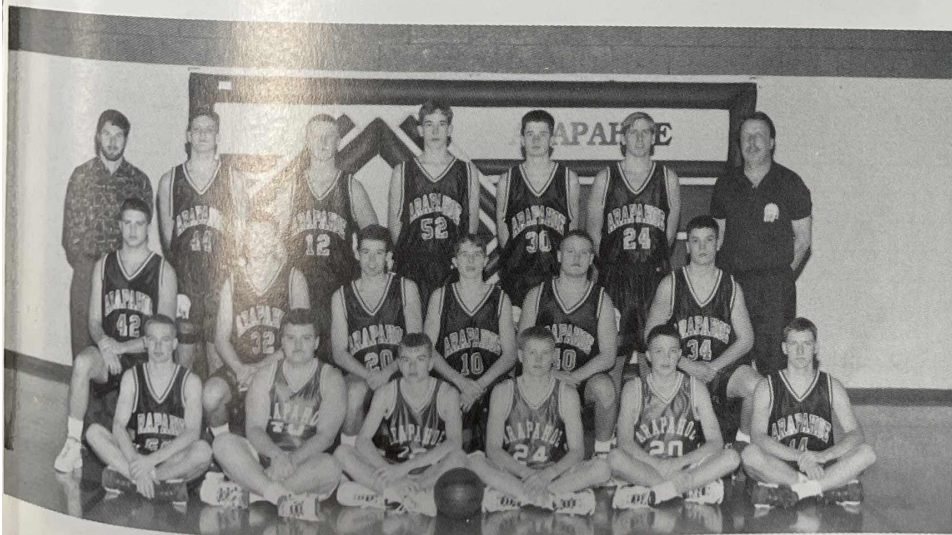


**Left:** Senior **Jon Haussler** beats Southern Valley's Joe Rickley to the ball.



### SCOREBOARD

| <u>Arapahoe</u> | <u>Opponent</u>                        |
|-----------------|--|
| 44              | Wauneta-Palisade 64                    |
| 65              | Southern Valley 54                     |
| 72              | Republican Valley 45                   |
| 66              | Northern Valley 41                     |
| 60              | Amherst 56                             |
| 67              | Medicine Valley 50                     |
| 69              | Culbertson 74                          |
| 65              | Elwood 63 (OT)                         |
| 71              | Dundy County 65 (2OT)                  |
| 50              | Loomis 59                              |
| 52              | Eustis Farnam 51 (OT)                  |
| 78              | Southern Valley 73<br>(1st round RVL)  |
| 58              | Alma 76<br>(2nd round RVL)             |
| 46              | Dundy County 60<br>(Consolation Round) |
| 55              | Cambridge 51                           |
| 51              | Bertrand 80                            |
| 57              | Wilcox 42                              |
| 57              | Alma 76                                |
| 41              | Cambridge 80<br>(Sub-District)         |



**Above Left:** **Andrew Thompson** passes the ball before, while **Jeremy Kroemer** anticipates his next move.

The Warrior Basketball Team includes Row 1 (l to r): **Mike Monter, Ryan Collins, Jon Hendricks, Anthony Chapman, Kendall Christensen and Chad Bergman.** Row 2: **Brent Christensen, Ross Collins, Joe Lambert, Jon Haussler, Joel McCoy, Andrew Thompson.** Row 3: **Coach Darren Hatch, Zazh Nott, Jamie Wendland, Reid Burton, Nick Collins, Jeremy Kroemer, and Coach Bob Braithwait.**



# Track

## Track Team Ends with Record Breaking Year

One of the hardest trials of being a track athlete is not so much the competition or overcoming the adversities of a pulled muscle or a bad start. No, the biggest obstacle to overcome always seems to be the weather. Come rain, wind, or sun track athletes must be prepared for anything that mother nature creates.

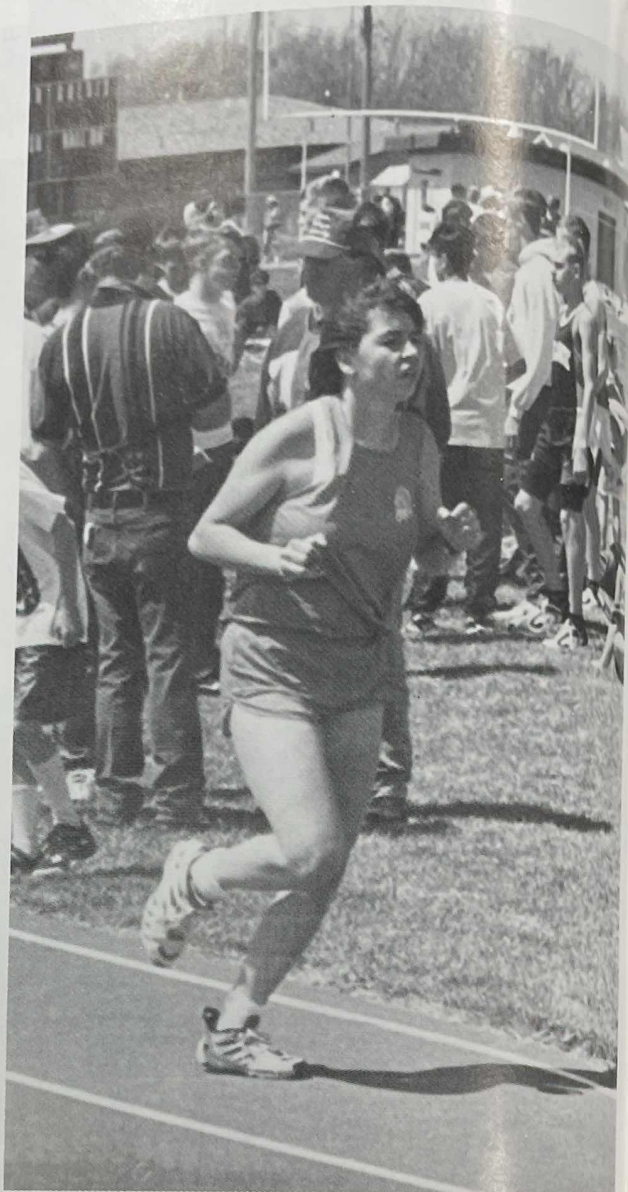
"When I pack for track, it's completely different than the other sports I'm involved in. Besides my uniform and shoes, I always bring a sleeping bag, umbrella, gloves, and sunscreen because you never know what the weather will do," stated hurdler **Misty Hill**.

Despite the traditionally seasonal weather, a few individuals still managed to make it a record breaking year.

Junior **Tiffany Taylor** broke her own triple jump record, leaping at 32'5 1/2 feet. Senior **Joe Lambert** broke the five year 100 meter dash record, coming in at 11.1. **Lambert** was also part of the record breaking 4x100 meter relay team along with teammates **Mike Monter**, **Jon Haussler**, and **Brent Christensen** who ran a 44.8.

Senior **Jennifer Collins** was the only track member to earn a trip to the state meet in Omaha. Prior to state, **Collins** broke the RVL and school record in the shotput with a throw of 41'7 1/2 feet. **Collins** also took tenth at state.

**Right: Cherry Crawford** strides out in the 800 meter dash.



**Above: Joe Lambert** grins and bears it while running the 100 meter dash.

**Right: Mike Monter** stretches for the string in the 400 meter dash.







**Left:** Tiffany Taylor reaches for the hurdle in the 100 meter lows.

**Right:** Jon Hendricks hands off to Anthony Chapman in the 3200 meter relay.



**Left:** State qualifier Jennifer Collins takes a throw in the shot put.

### SCOREBOARD

| <u>Meet</u>  | <u>Girls'; Boys' Placings</u> |
|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Elwood       | 6th;6th                       |
| Bertrand     | 7th;9th                       |
| Arapahoe     | 5th;5th                       |
| Dundy County | 8th;7th                       |
| RVL          | 7th;6th                       |
| Elm Creek    | 2nd;5th                       |
| District     | 6th;7th                       |

**Left:** The 1997 Track Team members include Row 1 (l to r): **Chad Carpenter, David Wendland, Jon Hendricks, Anthony Chapman, Kendall Christensen**, Student manager **Jill Fisher**, and Student manager **Heather Rhinehart**. Row 2: **Mike Baxter, Scott Avara, Chad Bergman, Mike Monter, Jon Haussler, Joe Lambert, Kristi Hinz, Cherry Crawford, Katie Smith, Becky Adams**, and Student manager **Jennifer Avara**. Row 3: **Tiffany Taylor, Sarah Lammel, Kelly Fisher, Kiley Stoye, Misty Hill, Angela Braithwait, Courtney McNulty, Keri Cambell, Jenny Hilker, and Kristen Bergman**. Row 4: **Joel McCoy, Brent Christensen, Ryan Collins, Jason Raastad, J.R. Utterback, Zach Nott, Nick Collins, Jennifer Collins, Natasha Fisher, Denise Pfeiffer, and Diana Ahrens**.





# Golf

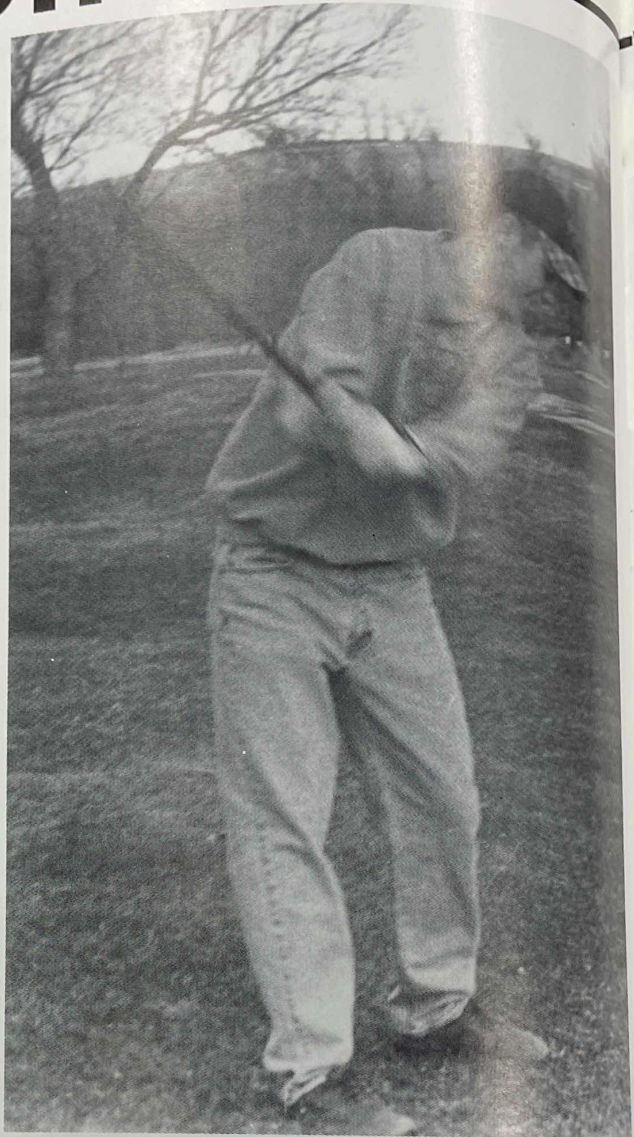
## Tiger Fever Hits AHS

Tiger Woods isn't the only golfer to be out in the weather trying to accomplish a great feat. This year, five young men went out for the AHS golf team and roughed it in bad weather, difficult meets, and bad luck.

**Andrew Thompson, Jeremy Kroemer, and Allen Blake** were the three seniors to lead the team. **Jamie Wendland** and **Andy Thomas** represented the sophomore class.

During competition, **Jeremy Kroemer** was the only team member to place in a meet and qualify for the state competition in Kearney. **Kroemer** did not place at state, but enjoyed his senior year of golf.

"Golf has always been a sport I've enjoyed to play and watch. I had a lot of fun at state and hope more people make it next year," **Kroemer** stated.

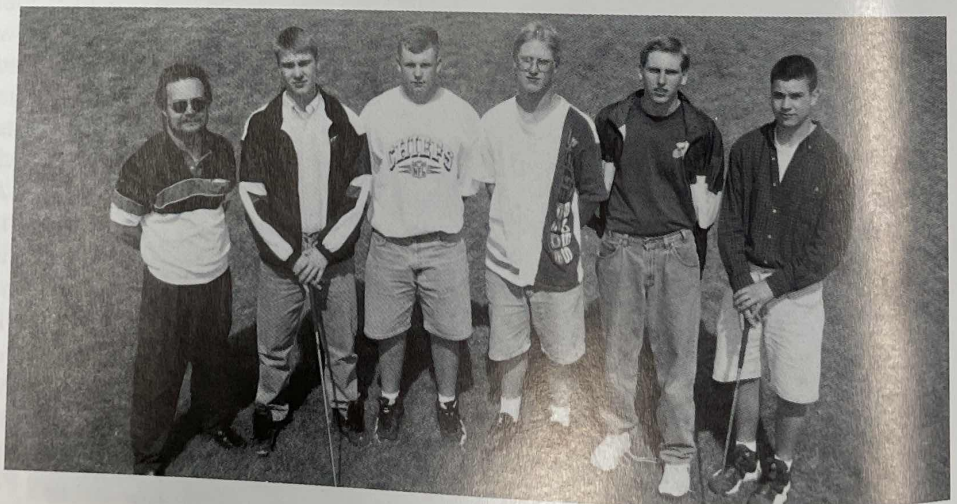


**Right: Andrew Thompson** takes a Happy Gilmore like swing to get the ball on the green.

### Scoreboard

|                 |      |
|-----------------|------|
| Alma            | 7th  |
| Cambridge       | 10th |
| Elwood          | 7th  |
| Bertrand        | 7th  |
| Southern Valley | 8th  |
| Arapahoe        | 7th  |

**Right:** The Golf Team includes **Darrell Barnes, Allen Blake, Andy Thomas, Jamie Wendland, Jeremy Kroemer, and Andrew Thompson.**





# organizations

## keeping students alive

Inactivity is a word not found in the vocabulary of the organizations in our school system.

From the student council's graphic display of the effects of drunk driving, the FCCLA's encouragement to not drink and drive on prom and the FFA's Farm Safety Week, the student body has been given more than a few excuse tactics to avoid emergency rooms in the future.

Organizations have provided numerous lessons and memories for all that have given up the time to be a part of our growing school. So many students have filtered through the various organizations, but each as left his mark by allowing his to presence remain in the memories of others.

Those who are in these organizatons on the following pages will find that as time passes, they will realize just how useful doing all of those projects and fund raisers, and see that they grew into mature, well-rounded adults.





Below: Scott and Jennifer award Mr. Stagemeyer as members look on.

Below: Scott Avara presents his mother, Cathy, with an award of appreciation at the banquet. Anthony Chapman, Jamie Wendland, and Mike Monter look on.



Above: The FFA Members prepare for the annual Farm Field Day.

Right: Julie Kennicutt shows off her District award.



# FFA Chapter . . . Full of Experience and Activities

**T**he FFA Chapter was led by a group of experienced members this year.

Officers included Scott Avara-President, Julie Kennicutt-Vice President, Jennifer Avara-Secretary, Jeremy Soncksen-Treasurer, Mike Monter-Reporter, Brent Christensen-Sentinal. Chapter Members included Dustyn John, Keri Cambell, Jessica Hjort, Jon Crawford, Chris Blickenstaff, Anthony Chapman, Jamie Wendland, and Jay Rose.

All of their activities kept them very busy this

year. With test plots, Environthon, National FFA Week, Farm Safety Week, Farmer Field Day, Livestock Management, Range judging, National FFA convention, Conferences, COLT Camp, Trail Rides, State FFA Convention and

State Ag Education at which Julie Kennicutt earned her State FFA Degree.

Kennicutt also won Districts in National Public Speaking Contest.

They wound down the year with the Dry Land Test Plot.



**Above: Anthony Chapman, Jamie Wendland, Chris Blickenstaff, and Julie Kennicutt give a demonstration to the elementary.**

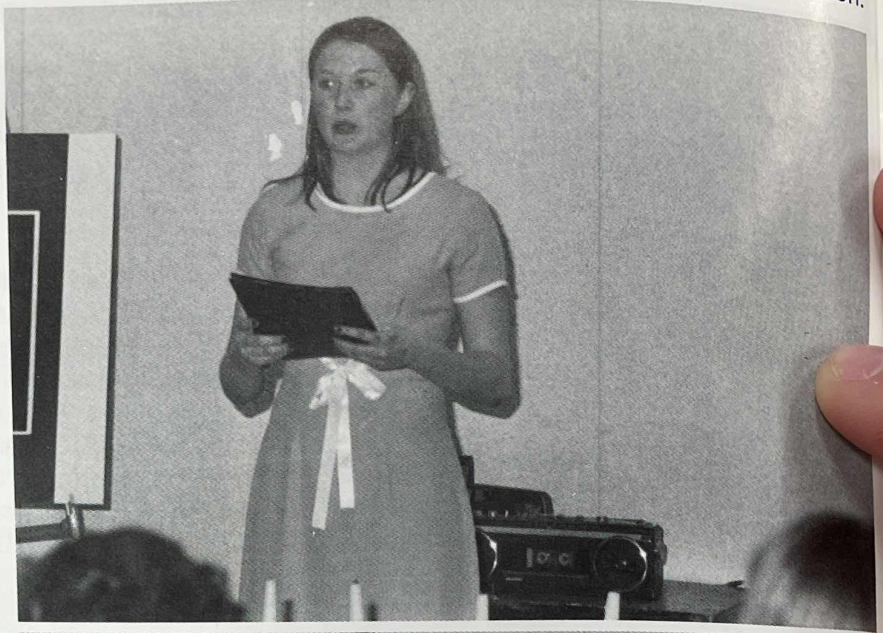
**Left: Going for a tractor ride was just one of the many farm safety lessons the FFA gave... a tractor ride with Mike Monter is safe???**





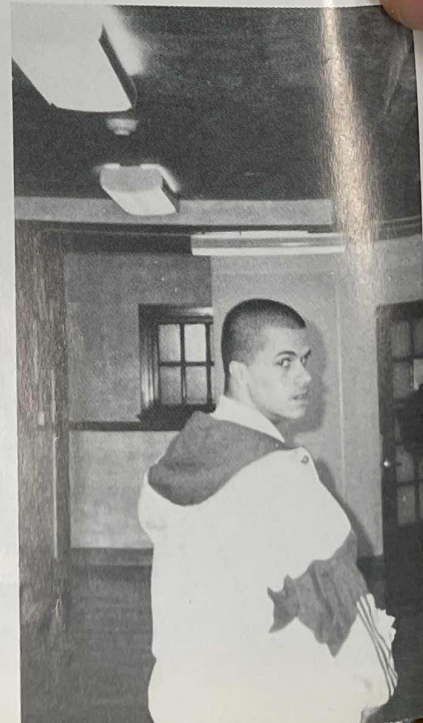
Below: Courtney McNulty, Paula Christensen and Katie Smith give their presentations for competition.

Below: Heather Rhinehart gives a big smile for the camera in between clowning around and entertaining little kids at the carnival.



Above: Parents of the FCCLA members receive their much needed thanks from FCCLA chapter President Denise Pfeiffer.

Right: Pat Bachman prepares to go to one of the many FCCLA meetings.





## Efforts by FCCLA Making A Better World

To say that the FCCLA chapter of Arapahoe High School has made a difference would be a huge understatement because they have made a lot of huge differences. They have been putting every effort into making our surroundings better for everyone.

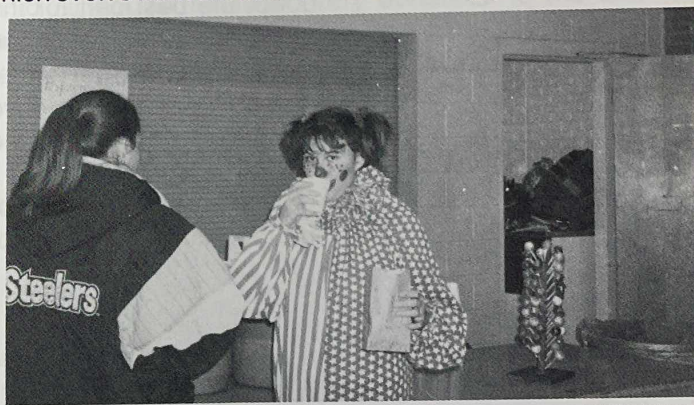
Starting on October first, the FCCLA bettered the roadsides on their annual litter pickup. All members were involved in picking up trash on a designated highway south of Arapahoe.

The chapter also designed and created an

ABC quilt. The quilt was raffled off so that the proceeds would be sent to babies who are born with AIDS or addicted to drugs or alcohol.

Their chapter focus of the year was informing AHS students on drugs and alcohol and the problems which evolve from the use of

each. This was accomplished by many student assemblies and announcements over the loud speaker which informed the students of side effects of drug and alcohol use. The year ended with red ribbons tied onto students' antennae to remind them not to drink and drive during prom.



**Above:** Kola Crawford takes time out from the FHA Carnival to have a quick drink of tea and talk to fellow senior Alissa Sherrard.



**Left:** Denise Pfeiffer and Jenny Hilker give their FCCLA presentation on drunk driving for competition.



## A-Club Performs Usual Activities

**N**othing was out of the ordinary for the A-Club members as they focused their efforts on homecoming, tournaments and weight room purchases.

As in the past the A-Club arranged for the use of convertibles during the Homecoming parade. No doubt the best part for the members is going to the owner's house to get the car and being allowed to drive the classy car back to the school.

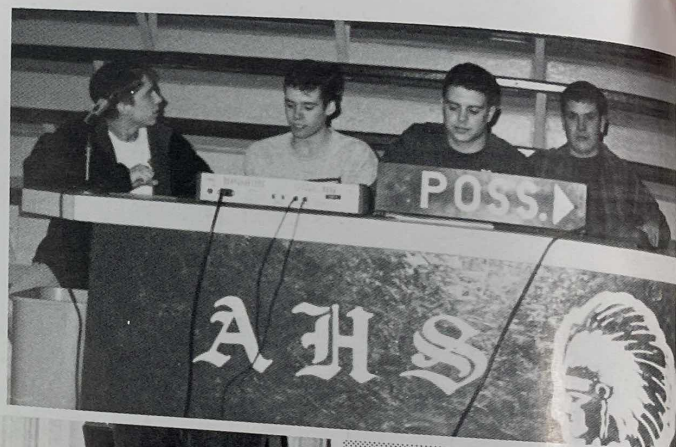
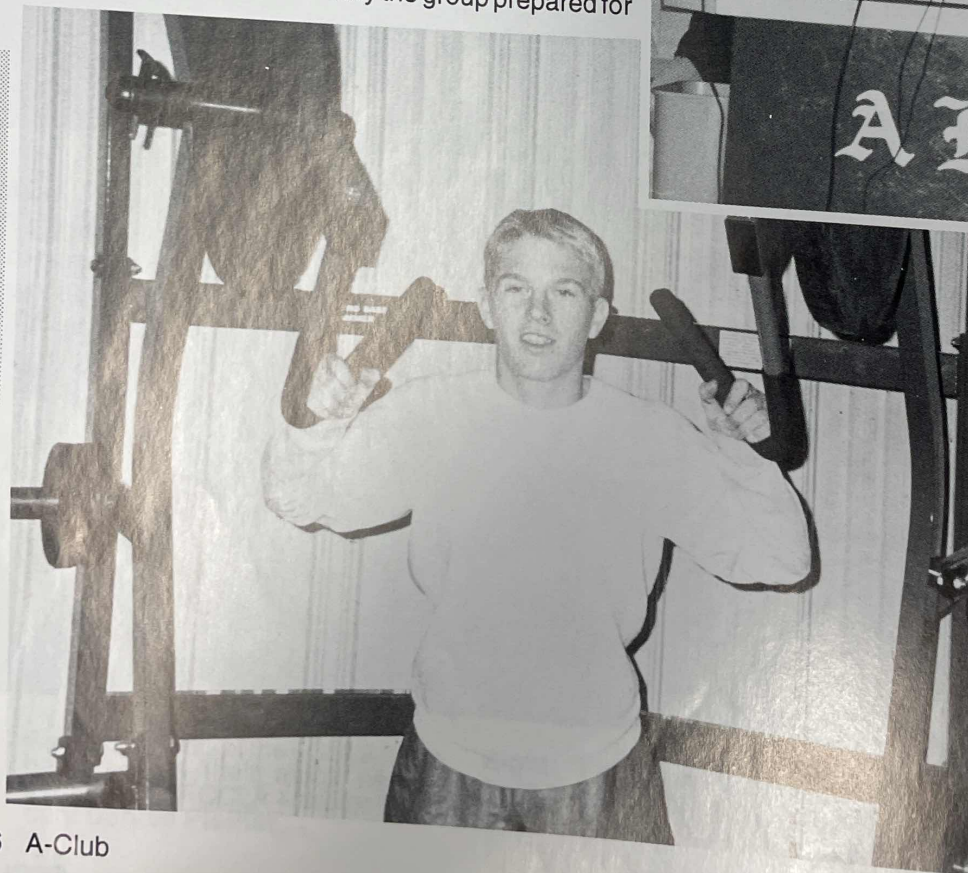
In the middle of February the group prepared for

the annual Freshman/Sophomore Girls' and Boys' Tournaments. Members did everything from taking money, sweeping, running the clock, and manning the concession stand.

The A-Club purchased a set of dumbbells, dumbbell rack and a Jam-

mer. Remaining will be saved to purchase a new bar for the squat rack.

A-Club officers for 1996-1997 were Seniors **Brent Christensen**-President, **Sarah Lammel**-Vice-President and **Jerem Soncksen**-Secretary/Treasurer.



**Above:** Jon Haussler, Joe Lambert, Brent Christensen, and Andrew Thompson work at the scorers' table during the Girls' and Boys' Freshman/Sophomore Tournaments.

**Left:** James Larson works out on the Jammer, one machine the A-Club purchased.



## TIES Group Continues to Reach Out

**T**he TIES group, in its third year running, had an excellent response as students, parents, and school personnel are becoming more aware of the peer helper program.

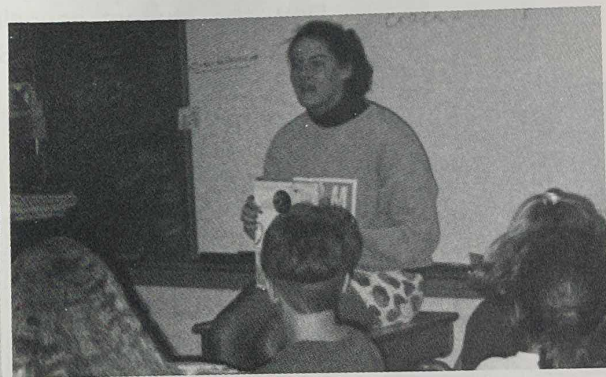
"Working in the program has really been a learning experience," stated third year member **Julie Kennicutt**. "Each year more people become familiar with the

program, which creates a great response for the TIES group."

Selection for becoming a member of the TIES group begins with sophomores, juniors, and seniors who are nominated by the faculty and student body. The nominated student has the option to fill out an informal application and meet for an interview.

The 18-hour training period for selected students consists of a variety of lessons to prepare the peer helper in his/her skills of communication.

"At first I didn't know what to expect, but after we met a few times, I knew that the program was going to be very beneficial to me and the students," expressed new member **Denise Pfeiffer**.



**Above:** Jennifer Collins instructs the fourth grade about getting along with others.



**Left:** Senior TIES members include Row 1 (l to r): Joel McCoy, Joe Lambert, Jon Haussler, Megan McClintic, Julie Kennicutt, and Angela Braithwait. Row 2: Nicole Paine and Sarah Lammel. Other members included Reid Burton, Joanna Smith, Denise Pfeiffer, Chad Bergman, Kristi Hinz, Misty Hill, Tara Jackson, and Lyndzie Clouse.



## Student Council Grows in More Ways Than One

**A**n increased membership, more meetings, and more activities which involved the AHS student body were all changes in the system of the Senior High Student Council.

The council not only organized its annual activities of Homcoming and the co-sponsored soup supper with the National Honor Society, but also added an Arbor Day honor and a Mock Drunk Driving accident.

To celebrate Arbor Day, the student council planted a tree on the AHS

school grounds. The council hopes to make this an annual tradition.

To urge students to not drink and drive, four council members worked with Arapahoe EMT's to create a crash scene in which **Joe Lambert** was dead, **Sarah Lammel** and **Jennifer**

**Collins** were injured in the back seat, and **Natasha Fisher** was arrested on drunk driving charges. A program followed in the big gym featuring speakers from the volunteer squads that helped, and a professional counselor had a chilling personal story to share.



**Above:** Council sponsor **Karen Windhusen** smirks as she revels in the pleasure of counting the profits of the Homecoming dance.



**Left:** **Natasha Fisher** screams as she suveys the gruesome scene of the accident.



# National Honor Society Has Another Prosperous Year

**T**he National Honor Society inducted five new members under the vows of leadership, character, service, knowledge and scholarship.

The members inducted to NHS were **Erin Urbom, Reid Burton, Courtney McNulty, Tiffany Taylor** and **Jon Haussler**.

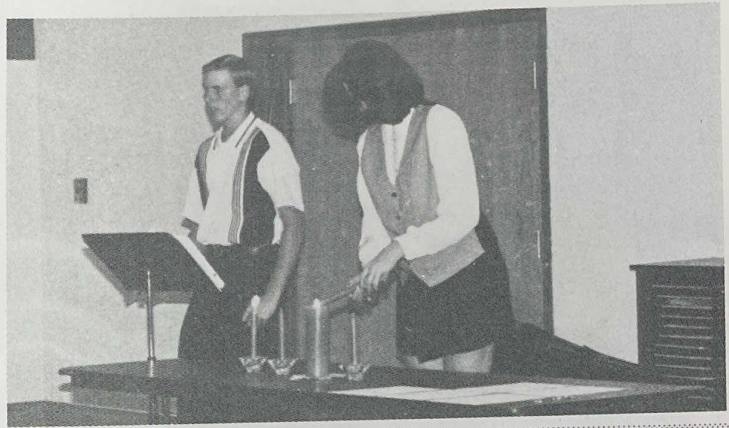
The group kept busy with a Valentine's Day Dance and soup supper in conjunction with the student council to earn money that was set

aside for scholarships.

Two \$50 scholarships, one for a male and one for a female, were given away at post-prom. The recipients were **Pat Bachman** and **Nicole Paine**.

An additional two schol-

arships were awarded to the top two seniors at graduation. The recipients of the two \$150 scholarships were **Jeremy Kroemer**, Valedictorian and **Sarah Lammel**, Salutatorian.



**Above: Jeremy Kroemer and Jennifer Collins** light the candles that symbolize the five characteristics of a NHS Member.



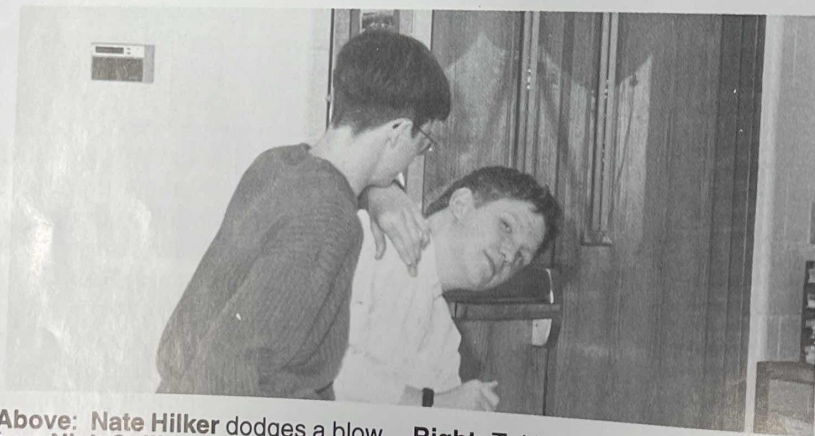
Members of the NHS in row 1 are (l-r): **Erin Urbom, Jennifer Breinig, Joanna Smith, Megan McClintic, Sarah Lammel, Julie Kennicutt, Courtney McNulty** and **Tiffany Taylor**. Row 2: **Denise Pfeiffer, Andrew Thompson, Jennifer Collins, Reid Burton, Jeremy Kroemer, Natasha Fisher, Joe Lambert** and **Jon Haussler**.



**Below:** Remebering her childhood, state qualifier **Jennifer Breinig** takes on the part of a young girl and the troubles of her first love.

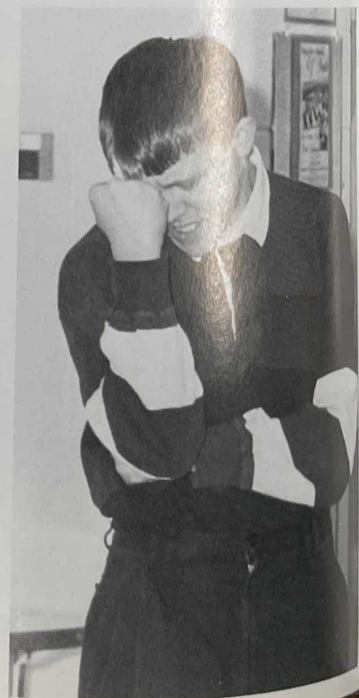


**Above:** The 1997 Arapahoe Speech Team members are Row 1 (l to r): **Nick Collins**, **Tristan Portella**, Coach **Kristi Blickenstaff**, **Andrea McClintock**, **Keith Broughton**, **Natasha Fisher**, and **Megan Long**. Row 2: **Tara Jackson**, **Jennifer Avara**, **Courtney McNulty**, and **Jennifer Breinig**. Row 3: **Scott Avara**, **Nathan Hilker**, **Heather Rhinehart**, **Jessica Hjort**, **Sarah Lamme**, **Becky Adams**, **Jenny Hilker**, and **Denise Pfeiffer**.



**Above:** **Nate Hilker** dodges a blow from **Nick Collins** during their duet.

**Right:** Taking third place at Districts in **Humorous Prose**, **Keith Broughton** reveals the true side of a bride on her wedding day.





# Arapahoe Speech...Something to Talk About

**Y**ou'll either laugh, cry, or wonder, but you'll never be bored when it comes to the Arapahoe Speech Team.

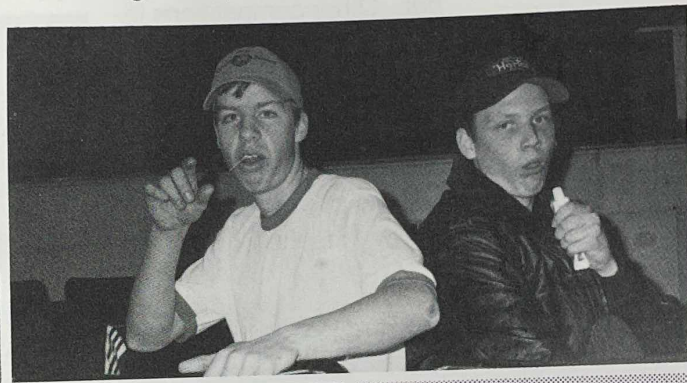
This Speech Team was one of the most competitive that the school has ever put forth. With 20 active members, the team was definitely something to talk about.

Coming in only ten points behind the traditionally competitive Alma team, the Arapahoe team took runner-up at RVL. Not far off from another second place tro-

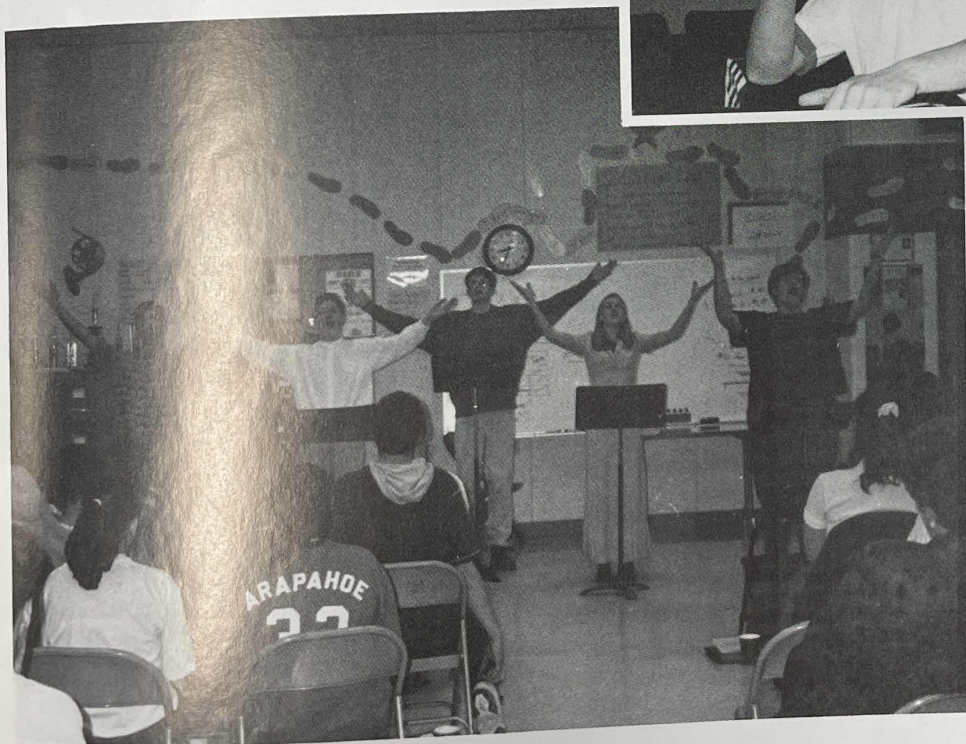
phy, they also captured a third place at the District Meet.

With never having more than five members qualify for State before, eight members earned a trip to Lincoln in March. Taking the only first place at Districts, **Jennifer Breinig** competed in

Humorous Prose. Other state qualifiers were **Tara Jackson** in Informative, **Denise Pfeiffer** in Serious Prose, **Nate Hilker** and **Nick Collins** in Duet Acting, and the OID of **Sarah Lammel**, **Scott Avara**, **Denise Pfeiffer**, **Nate Hilker**, and **Nick Collins**.



**Above:** **Scott Avara** and **Tristan Portella** rehearse their improvisation speaking while waiting for awards.



**Left (l to r):** The state qualifying OID team of **Scott Avara**, **Nate Hilker**, **Nick Collins**, **Sarah Lammel**, and **Denise Pfeiffer** perform their revised version of *Snow White*.



# Academic Contests Foster Healthy Competition

**A**cademic Bowl, Academic Decathlon and Inter-High Day participants don't always find themselves in the spotlight, but their competitions are no doubt the most mind challenging.

The Academic Bowl Team opened its season at Cambridge in late November. Other competitions included those at Arapahoe, ESU #11 in Holdrege and Southern Valley. Matches were won in Holdrege and Southern Valley even though the team failed to win any meets. This team is

coached by **Howard Davis** and **Pam Breinig**.

The Academic Decathlon team traveled to Lexington to District competition, but failed to qualify. They were coached by **Kristi Blickenstaff**.

Inter-high Day Participants were selected by

their respective teachers to compete through test format in their given area. McCook Community College hosted the event; sophomore **Jason Raastad** placed first in general math and won a scholarship to McCook Community College.



**Above:** Academic Team participants receive awards at Awards Night.



**Left:** Interhigh Day participants are Row 1 (l to r): **Jon Hendricks, Jon Urbom, Kendall Christensen, Jesse Olivo, and Jason Raastad.** Row 2: **Tara Jackson, Jennifer Breinig, Julie Kennicutt, Jennifer Avara, and Andrea McClintic.** Row 3: **Jennifer Collins, Natasha Fisher, Joe Lambert, Jon Haussler and Jeremy Kroemer.** Not pictured is **Sarah Lammel.**



# Journalism Staff Focuses on Publications

**V**ital Signs. Hopefully, you noticed that this is the title of this yearbook. The Journalism Staff pondered these ideas for some time before finally choosing "vital signs." Very few recognize just how difficult it is to select a theme that not only sends a message about the school year and people, but also ties the complete book together.

In September, the staff attended a workshop in Kearney that helped them in theme selection and development.

The yearbook was

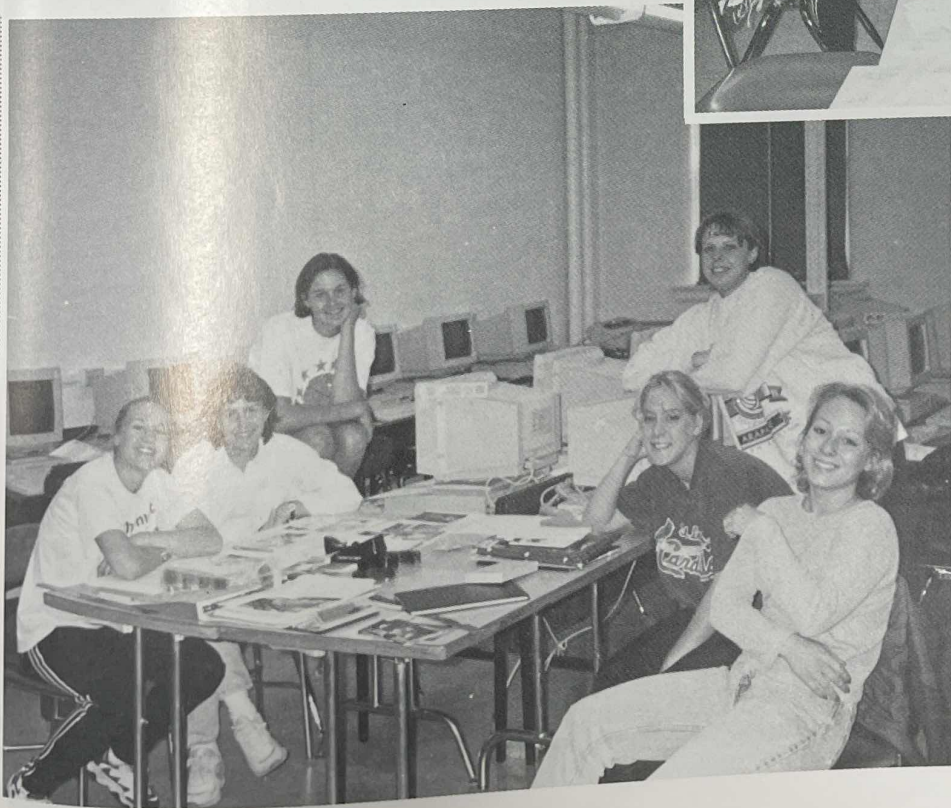
funded through book and ad sales, hosting a concession stand at a track meet and raffling a parking space to a student. This money maker was new to 1997, and **Kristi Carnes** was the winner. For a week, she could sleep in a

few extra minutes and still be assured a close-to-the-school parking spot.

The newspaper was published five times, and the staff finished the yearbook in May, beating its deadline by one week.



**Above:** Surrounded by negatives, photographs and cypsheets, **Sarah Lammel** stares at the computer screen and hopes for a new idea.



**Left:** Usually, they're behind the camera; but in a rare moment, the staff pauses for a quick photo. The Journalism Staff includes (l to r): **Sarah Lammel**, Adviser **Pam Breinig**, **Jennifer Collins**, **Angela Braithwait**, **Nicole Paine**, and **Megan McClintic**.

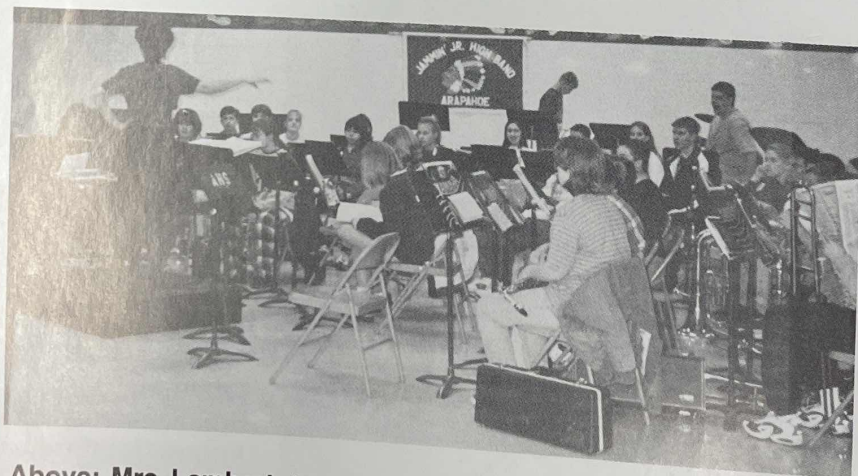
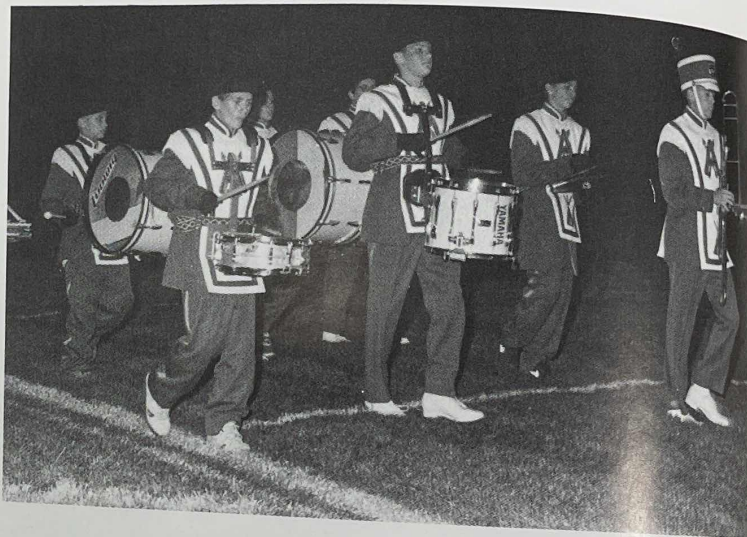
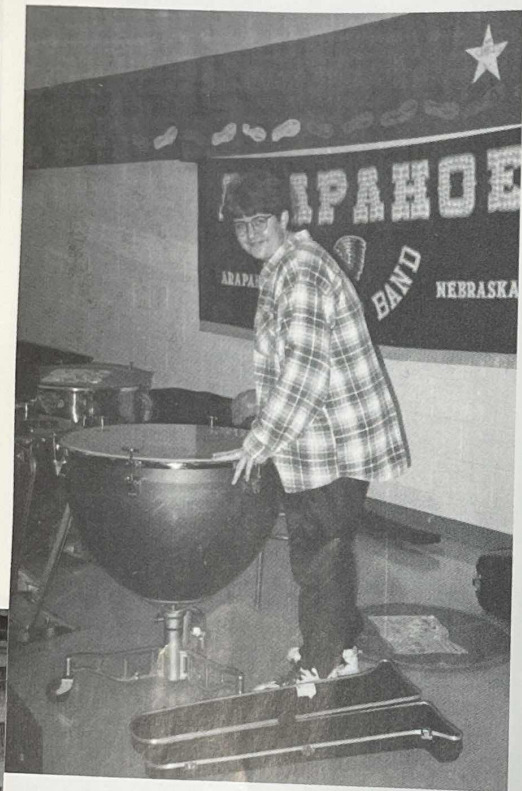


**Below:** Denise Pfeiffer gets her favorite instrument, the timpani, tuned.

**Right:** Drum Majors **Natasha Fisher** and **Nicole McCoy** lead the band on to the field.

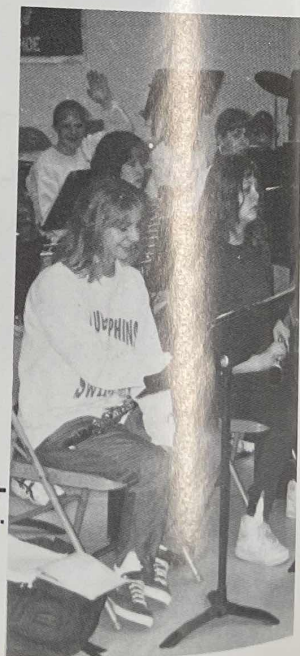


**Below:** Junior and Senior High musicians combine efforts for a half-time performance.



**Above:** Mrs. Lambert starts to prepare the band for contests.

**Right:** Erin Urbom and Tara Jackson take time out in between songs.





# Musicians Take Pride in Performances

**T**he 45 member Warrior Pride Marching Band started the year with parade competition at Kearney Band Day and the local homecoming performances.

The pep band performed at football, volleyball, basketball games and wrestling matches for a total of 16 performances. The concert band performed at homecoming, Veteran's Day, Christmas and spring concerts, and graduation. Four students auditioned for the All-Class All-State Band; and **Joe Lambert**, who was

an All State member in 1995, was selected as an alternate in 1996. **Tara Jackson** was selected for the Class-C All-State Band and was the only auditonee. The concert band received I ratings at both RVL and District competitions. Six other soloists/small groups

also received I's at the District Music Contest. High point band members by class were **Andrea McClintic** and **Kristen Bergman** (9), **Tara Jackson** and **Nathan Hilker** (10), **Denise Pfeiffer** (11), and **Jennifer Collins** (12).

ARION AWARD  
Allen Blake

JOHN PHILLIP SOUSA AWARD  
Joe Lambert



**Above: Courtney McNulty, Joe Lambert, Allen Blake and Megan McClintic perform in the Dixie Land Band.**



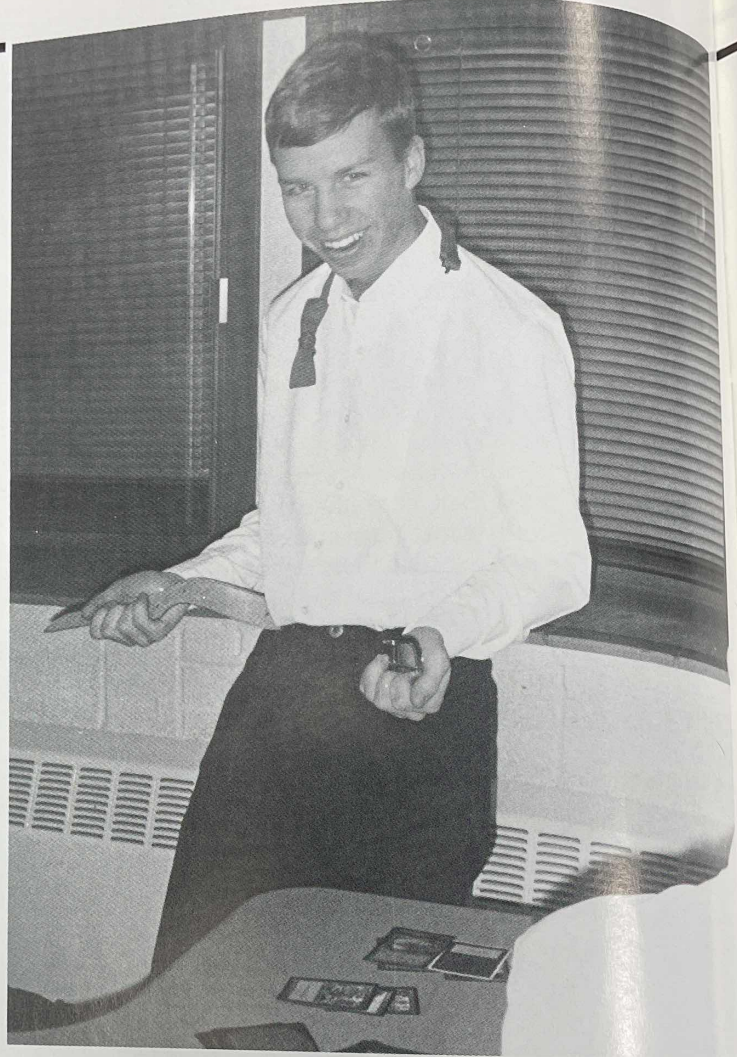
The Warrior Band includes Row 1 (l to r): **Tara Jackson, Megan McClintic, Jennifer Avara, Jennifer Collins, Becky Adams, Kristen Bergman, Jill Fisher, and Keri Camp-**

Row 2: **Erin Urbom, Tiffany Taylor, Andrea Tracy, Angela Braithwait, Megan Long, Cherry Crawford, Kiley Stoye, Diana Ahrens, Michelle Peterson, Kelly Pfeiffer, Josh Shrock, Chad Carpenter, and Andrea Chambers.** Row 3: **Courtney McNulty, Natasha Fisher, Grant Walbridge, Shantel Monie, Chris Blickenstaff, Kendall Christensen, Kristi Hinz, Allen Blake, Nate Hilker, Andrea McClintic, Jon Hendricks, Misty Hill, Kelly Fisher, Brent Christensen, Mike Monter, Chad Bergman, and Joe Lambert.** Row 4: Instructor **Brenda Lambert, Zach Nott, Scott Avara, Anthony Chapman, Ryan Collins and Denise Pfeiffer.**



**Below:** Junior **Scott Avara** proves he's more than just a singer.

**Below (l to r):** Senior Honor Choir members include **Joe Lambert, Jennifer Collins, Allen Blake, Sarah Lammel, Keith Broughton, Jennifer Breinig, Jon Haussler,** and **Megan McClintic.**



**Above (l to r):** **Jon Haussler, Joe Lambert, Nick Collins, Reid Burton, Allen Blake, Keith Broughton,** and **Scott Avara** bring back the 70's with the Show Choir's performance of YMCA.



**Right:** Accompanist **Jodi Peterman** enhances her musical talents while playing for the choir.



# AHS Choir Utilizes Talent

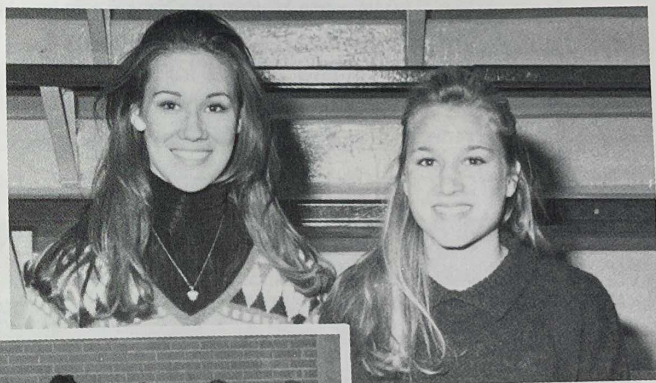
**T**o add depth to the preexisting talents of the choir members was one of the reasons for the addition of the Honor/Show Choir to this year's music program.

"Even though we only had the chance to compete at Districts, Show Choir was a fun learning experience," noted senior member **Jennifer Breinig**.

Along with the addition of the Show/Honor Choir, six students, **Scott Avara, Heather Rhinehart, Jennifer Breinig, Keith**

**Broughton, Sarah Lammel, and Natasha Fisher** also developed their vocal talents and tried out for the All-State Choir. Among those who tried out from all over the state, senior **Sarah Lammel** received 1st alternate and junior **Natasha Fisher** 2nd alternate. **Fisher** was also selected for the Doane Honor Festival Choir along with seniors **Joe Lambert** and **Keith Broughton**.

With the musical under their belt, the AHS Choir continued to keep busy and performed at a number of school concerts during the fall and winter. Towards the middle of the year the choir also participated in the RVL Clinic, which was hosted at Bertrand, and completed the year by finishing off their musical talents at the District Contest in McCook.



**Above:** **Natasha Fisher** and **Sarah Lammel** earned All-State honors for choir.

**Left:** The 1997 Choir members are Row 1 (l to r): Instructor **Gaynelle Blickenstaff, Katie Smith, Jennifer Breinig, Shantel Monie, Jon Haussler, Chris Blickenstaff, Becky Ad-**



**ams, Jennifer Avara, Megan McClintic, and Keri Campbell.** Row 2: **Diana Ahrens, Erin Urbom, Kristi Hinz, Scott Avara, Keith Broughton, Tiffany Taylor, Jenny Hilker, Andrea Tracy, Sonresa Powers, and Heather Rhinehart.** Row 3: **Kim Inman, Paula Christensen, Sarah Lammel, Ross Collins, Joel McCoy, Kristi Carnes, Courtney McNulty, Nicole Paine, Nici Kreutzer, and Jill Fisher.** Row 4: **Jennifer Collins, Natasha Fisher, Joe Lambert, Allen Blake, Reid Burton, Nick Collins, Denise Pfeiffer, Tara Jackson, Carrie Maxwell, and Jessica Hjort.**



## Band and Choir Journey to Kansas City for Music Trip

**D**espite the unpredictable weather, a total of 60 band and choir students survived the eventful trip to Kansas City.

The memorable weekend began with students and sponsors departing from the school on Friday morning. After a snowy six hour trip, the travelers checked into the hotel and then dined at the Crown Center. Following the buffet, the group enjoyed a murder mystery play entitled "Dial 'M' for Murder."

Saturday the choir was to perform at Worlds of Fun,

but the cold weather made it impossible. Spending the day inside a warm shopping mall took up most of the afternoon, and later that evening the group attended the "Solid Gold Cadillac" dinner theater, where well known actress Charlotte Rae was the star of the show.

Returning home on Sunday, Choir Teacher

**Gaynelle Blickenstaff** stated, "The band and choir students enjoyed two excellent productions, both including delicious meals. The directors, sponsors, and students wish to thank the Music Boosters for a memorable trip."



**Above:** Diana Ahrens and Kristen Bergman enjoy their dinner at the "Solid Gold Cadillac" production.



**Left:** On the bus trip, Mike Monter makes sure Kendall Cristensen doesn't cheat in his card game with Chad Bergman and Zach Nott.





# activities

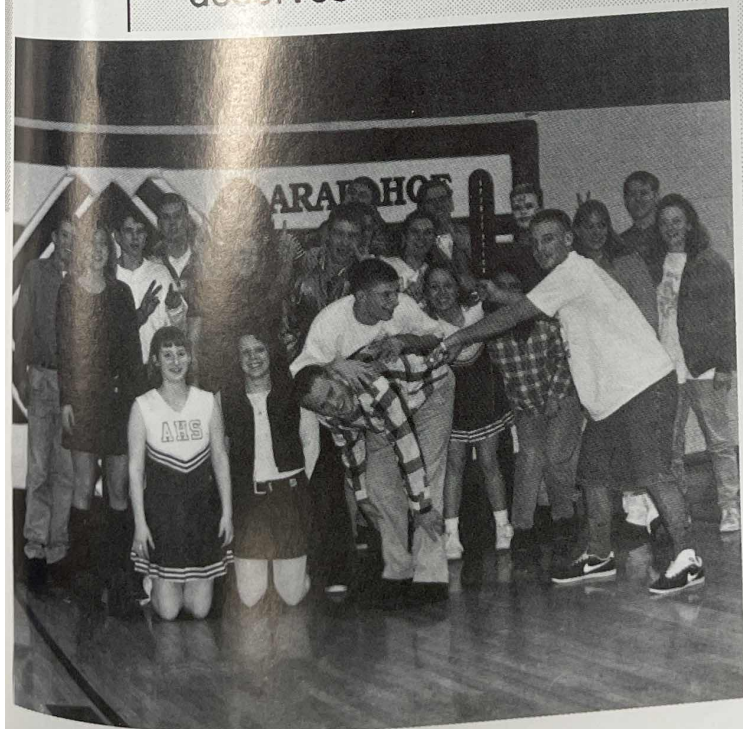
## molding our future

AHS has proved it has countless ways to stimulate life through all of the activities offered within this establishment.

Ranging from Homecoming Week to Senior Sneak the lives of the student body are in constant action and can encounter some wear and tear; however, activities are what keep us going and are valuable in exposing students to new experiences that will help them realize what they do and do not like, which in essence will mold their level of involvement later in life as adults .

AHS activities revitalize the student body by making those participating feel important and good about themselves and it is those activities and people who sacrifice their time that make this school what it is today.

The pride that our student body has taken in what it does has built the reputation that our school is known for and well deserves.





# Homecoming

Below: Kendall Christensen... (or is it Mrs. Windhusen?) delivers student council birthday wishes.

**H**omecoming 1996 left everyone with memories.

Spirit week began with dress up days. Monday was Clash Day, Tuesday was Crazy Hair Day, Wednesday Preppy day, Thursday was Dress as your Favorite Teacher Day, and finally Blue and White day on Friday.

On Tuesday, the spirit was found everywhere. The Juniors offered a blind volley-

ball tournament, which was followed by the bonfire and pep rally in the parking lot.

"Homecoming was really fun...except for my blind date."  
**Carrie Maxwell**

Candidates were **Joe Lambert, Brent Christensen, Jeremy Soncksen** and **Jeremy Clouse** for King.

Below: Some of the juniors are ready for action in the blind volleyball tournament.

For Queen the Candidates were **Sarah Lammel, Jennifer Collins, Megan McClintic**, and **Nicole Paine**. **Sarah** and **Joe** reigned as Queen and King. **Jennifer** and **Brent** reigned as Princess and Prince. **Amy Breinig** and **Drew tenBensel** were crown

bearers.

The pep rally and game ended Friday's activities, while the dance on Saturday wrapped up the weeklong event.

Below: Queen **Sarah Lammel** and King **Joe Lambert** prepare to take their Royalty ride.



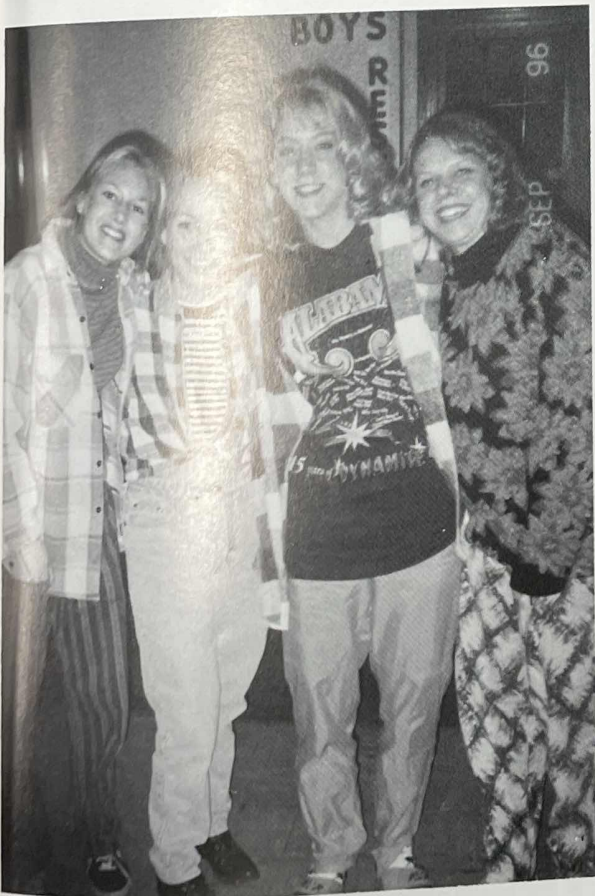
Above: **Kim Inman** is caught in the middle of telling her side of the story.  
Right: Members of the band prepare to march down town.



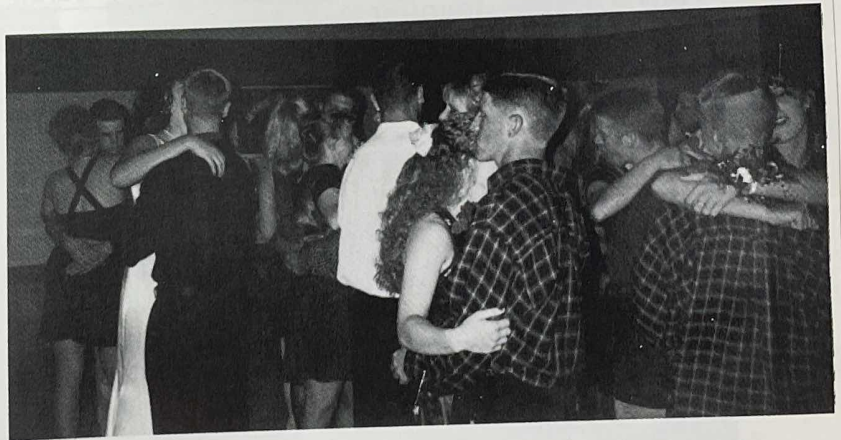
# Week Long Activities Build Spirit



**Left:** The candidates take time out from selling flowers to pose in front of Jack Bellamy's car.



**Above:** Sarah Lammel, Megan McClintic, Nicole Paine, and Angela Braithwait model their Clash-ing style on clash day.



**Above:** Students dance away their Saturday night.  
**Left:** Misty Hill shows off her decorating talent.





# AHS Meets Medieval

**B**ecause the story of The Princess and the Pea is so well known, the audience had a familiar feeling when they attended the AHS rendition of Once Upon a Matress.

Those earning lead roles were **Jennifer Breinig** and **Joanna Smith** as the Minstrels, **Denise Pfeiffer** as the Wizard, **Natasha Fisher** portraying Lady Larken, **Jennifer Collins** as the Queen Aggravain, **Keith Brough-**

**ton** as the Queen's son, Prince Dauntless, **Joel McCoy** was given the role

"It always seems stressful in the beginning," commented **Sarah Lammel** on the production process, "but it all seems worthwhile in the end."

of King Sextimus the Silent, **Scott Avara** and **Nick Collins** split the role of the Jester, **Joe Lambert** as Sir Harry and finally **Sarah**

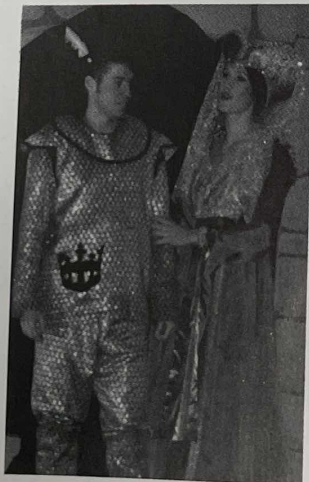
**Below right:** The Wizard and Queen Aggravain, **Denise Pfeiffer** and **Jennifer Collins**, concoct an evil plan against Princess Winnifred.

**Lammel** received the role of Princess Winnifred. Remaining choir members filled in during various scenes as extras.

The High School Band also got involved in the production process, since, several band members such as **Kristen Bergman** on the flute, **Allen Blake** on the tuba and **Andrea McClintic** on the clarinet helped compile a mini orchestra to put the final touch on the production.



**Above:** Minstral, **Joanna Smith** and Jester, **Nick Collins** play a guessing game with King Sextimus, **Joel McCoy**, only to discover Lady Larken is pregnant. **Right:** Love-birds, Sir Harry and Lady Larken, **Joe Lambert** and **Natasha Fisher**, dream of being wed one day.

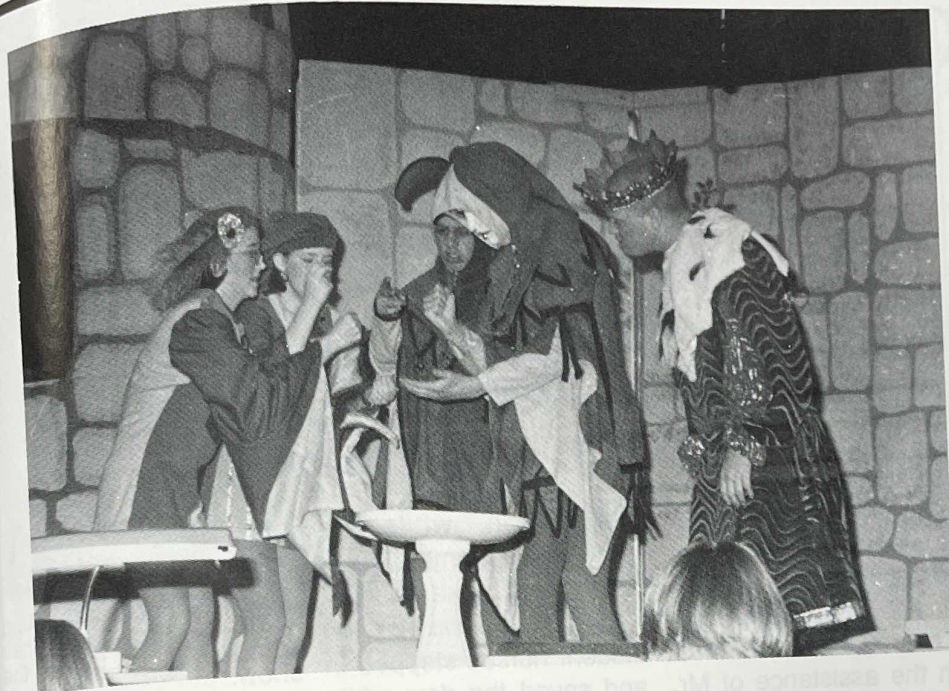


**Nicole Paine** has transformed into the "lady-in-waiting" just on the occasion.

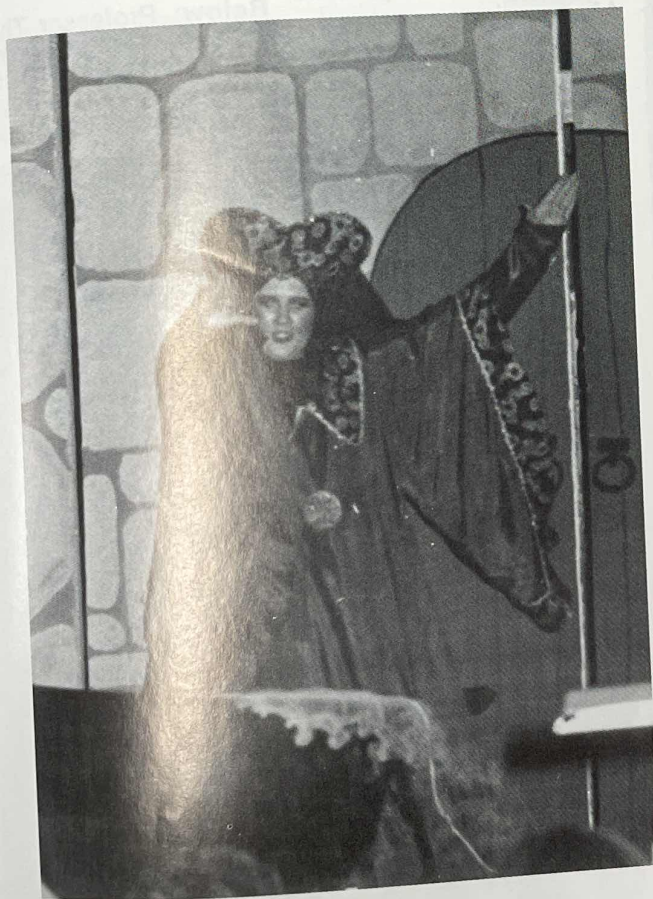




# One More Added to the Years of Tradition



Joel McCoy as King Sextimus peeks in on the Minstrals and the Jesters, Joanna Smith, Jennifer Breinig, Scott Avara and Nick Collins as they play rock, scissors, paper to see who has to visit the nasty queen.



As the Queen's side-kick, the Wizard, Denise Pfeiffer, casts a magic spell for the Queen's plan against Princess Winnifred.



Above: As Princess Winnifred, Sarah Lammel, first arrives, she receives a plentiful dose of the Queen's, Jennifer Collins, aggressive personality.



Left: Pondering the circumstances, Jesters, Scott Avara and Nick Collins converse together on what to do next.



# Cheeking in at CU

**T**he curtains opened at 7:30 p.m. where the doomed

duo of Nurse Baines (**Jennifer Collins**) and Nurse Goffer (**Megan McClintic**) continually bumped into turmoil around every corner. From a run in with a crazy experimental scientist (**Jeremy Kroemer**), to cutting gum out of Zeola Strutzman's (**Kim Inman**) hair, the nurses battled the "every day" emergencies.

Since all the doctors were off duty, hospital administrator Bradford Pinchpenny (**Reid Burton**) sent for a group of hopeless student nurses, from the neighboring Calamity University. With grades so low that they had to get down on their hands and knees to see them, Carolyn (**Nicole Paine**), Frannie (**Denise Pfeiffer**), Darlene (**Jennifer Breinig**), and Boots (**Chad Bergman**) were anything but helpful to Nurse Baines. In the end, the student nurses learned more from a day in the emergency room than a year in college.

Ever since the doctors had been sent off duty, medical supplies kept disappearing throughout the hospital. Behind the scenes, rival medical center owner, Dr. Popov (**Keith Broughton**)

with sidekicks Leo (**Allen Blake**) and Crusher (**Joel McCoy**), had secretly been

"Screaming is easy...unless you are onstage, trying to make it sound realistic," stated junior **Heather Rhinehart** (Nurse Blair).

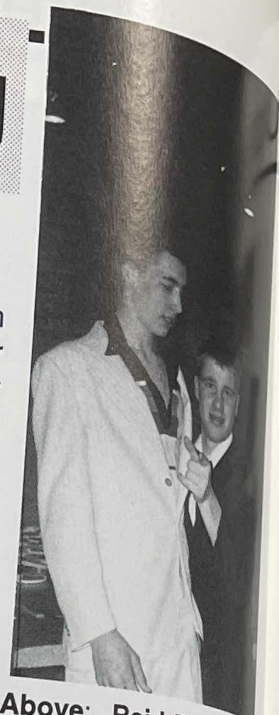
stealing the supplies from Calamity Hospital and hiding them in the ambulance, with the assistance of Mr. Pinchpenny and his ever-so-helpful secretary Ms. Broadside (**Sarah Lammel**).

While Dr. Popov's plan was in action, not everything went exactly as he would have liked. After finding the medical supplies hidden in the ambulance, the student nurses, along with Ms. Broadside, returned to the hospital to deliver the supplies to injured football fans. On their return, bank examiners, Mrs. Withernight (**Paula Christensen**) and Miss Pitoomie (**Angela Braithwait**), came to inspect the hospital because they were going to foreclose on its mortgage. To save the hospital from closing, Frannie disguised herself as one of the missing doctors, while the other nurses dressed up as cooks and janitors.

With so many mix-ups coming in and out of the emergency room, the end

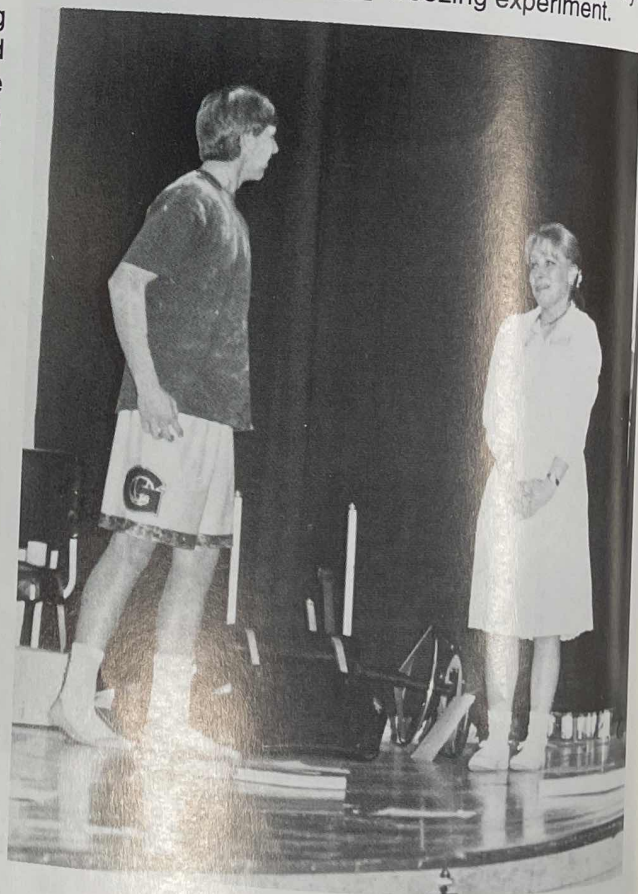
was more rewarding than intended. Leo and Crusher were tied up by accidentally "dropping" by. After being questioned about his scam by Ms. Broadside, Dr. Popov had a sudden heart attack from indignation, while Mr. Pinchpenny fell over

a chair and broke his leg. After all the mix-ups, the student nurses stepped in and saved the day, while Ms. Broadside arrested the crooks.



**Above:** Reid Burton and Allen Blake model their designer suits before the show.

**Below:** Professor Throblebots (**Jeremy Kroemer**) persuades Nurse Baines (**Megan McClintic**) to try his freezing experiment.

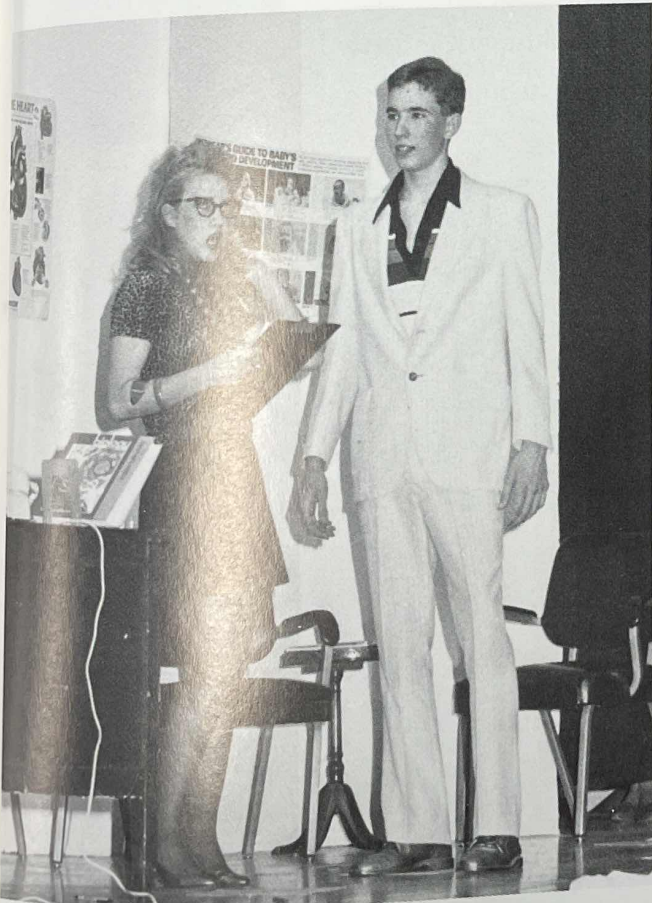




# Upperclassmen Revive Acting Talents



**Left:** The bank examiners observe the student nurses and hospital staff as they administer bandages to the injured crooks.



**Above:** Mr. Pinchpenny (Reid Burton) convinces Ms. Broadside (Sarah Lamme) that she's the sexiest secretary he's ever seen.



**Above:** Nurse Baines (Jennifer Collins) rescues the fallen Darlene (Jennifer Breinig) from the crooks.



**Left:** Boots (Chad Bergman) wishes she (?) was roping cattle instead of bandaging patients.



# Jrs. and Srs. Enjoy a Mardi Gras Celebration

Kiley Stoye and Kristi Carnes twist around the floor during the dance.

It wasn't in New Orleans, and nobody had to go to extremes to get a few strands of beads or a memory. But the Juniors and Seniors partied the night away with pictures, punch and a mean mamba.

The evening began with a dinner, all underneath the decorations of giant Mardi Gras Masks, city images painted on the wall, and glow in the dark stars painted around the room. Dinner

consisted of spiced meatballs, baked potatoes, bread and cake and ice cream for

Decorating wasn't as bad as I thought it would be," commented Denise Pfeiffer.

dessert.

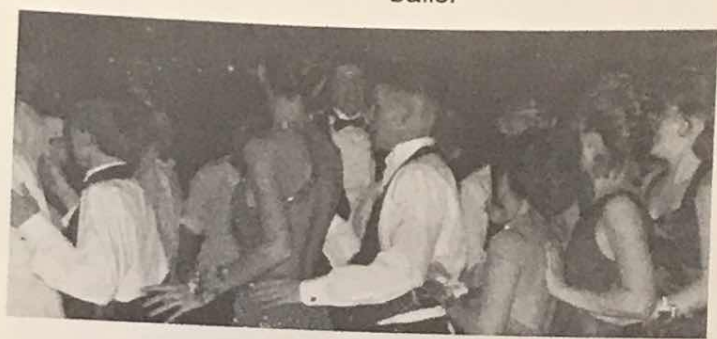
Following the dining, pictures were taken and the

**Below:**The whole dance floor crowds into a dance train. **Below right:** Jeremy Kroemer eyes his meatballs.

royalty was crowned. The Royal Court included Megan McClintic, Angela Braithwait, Brent Christensen, Jon Haussler, Queen Jennifer Collins and King Joel McCoy.

The dance followed from nine to midnight, and ending the evening was post prom from 1:30-6 a.m. at the Ella Missing Center.

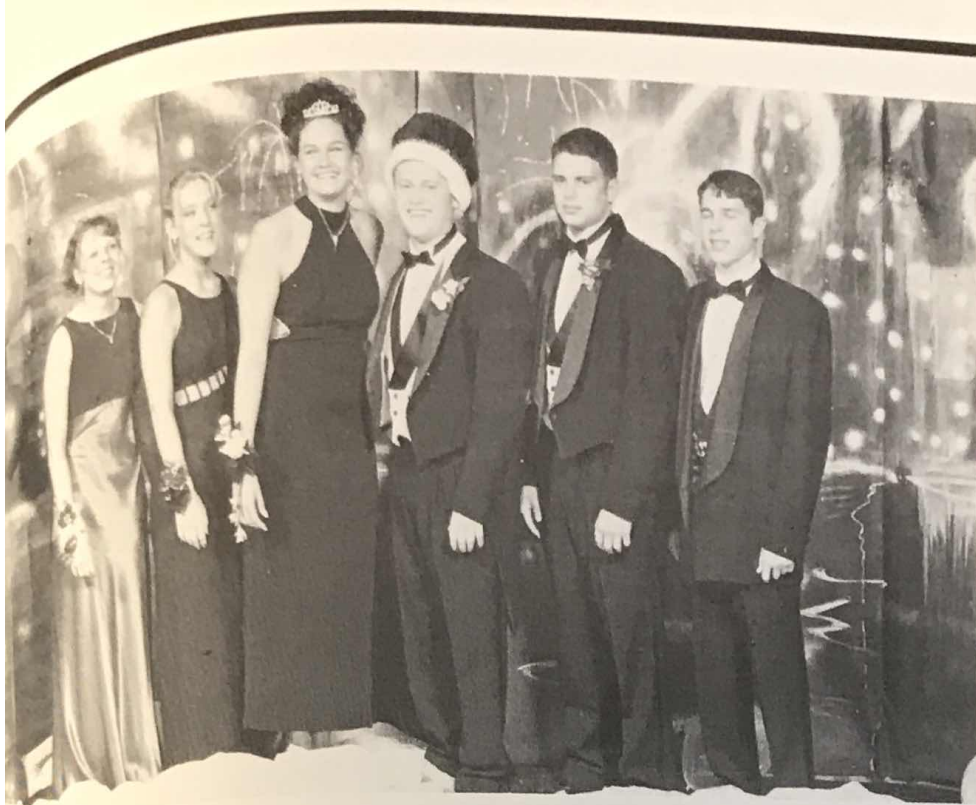
**Katie Smith and Kim Inman** show off their sexy legs as they are caught dancing on the floor.



Joel McCoy, Andrew Thompson and Ross Collins pose as their true selves for the camera during the Grande Promenade.

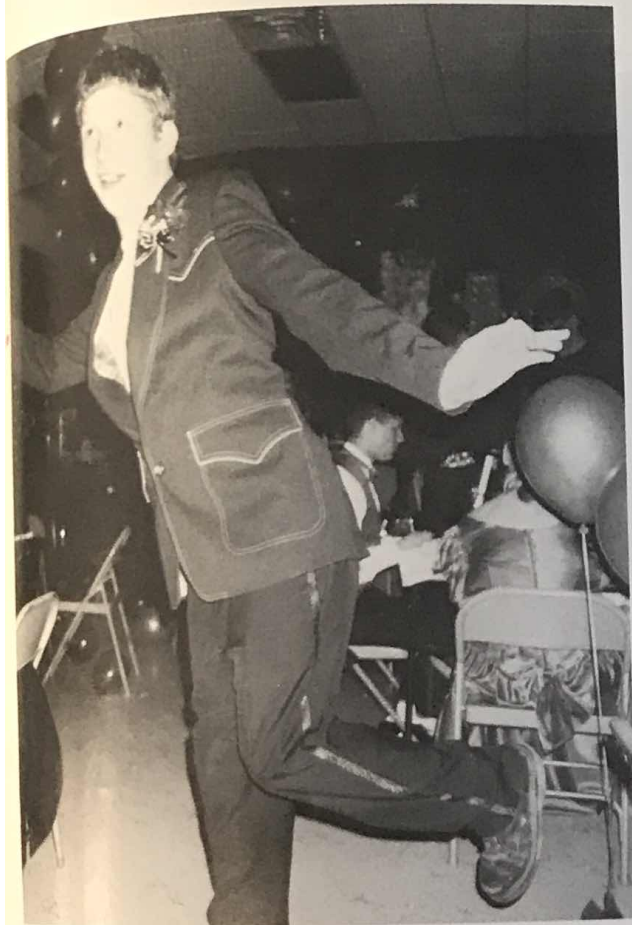






**Left: Angela Braithwait, Nicole Paine, Jennifer Collins, Joel McCoy, Brent Christensen and Jon Haussler** pause for a royalty picture

**Below: Roger Maxwell** adds realistic looking additions to his ingenious Mardi Gras costume.



**Nate Hilker** shows off one of his many talents as he flies back to his table to finish his dinner.



**Keith Broughton** leans over to get into one last picture before the dinner ends.



# Senior Sneak

**O**n their final weekend as high school seniors, 19 classmates loaded the bus and headed for the windy city-- Chicago.

After 12 hours of riding, the group arrived in Chicago and headed for Planet Hollywood. Movie memorabilia captured everyone's interests. After a bit of downtime at the Days Inn, Medieval Times was the next stop. Here the group dined and experienced a range of medieval activities ranging

from jousting to dancing. On Sunday, the class spent the day at Six

"The whole trip was fun, but my favorite part was sneaking into the United Center and seeing the stadium." --**Nicole Paine**

Flags and went to a Shear Madness presentation that night. With a little extra time

**Below:** The Class of '97 show off their crowns at Medieval Times.

they took a side trip to the United Center, home of the Chicago Bulls. The class wasn't able to see the floor, but was able to go into the souvenir.

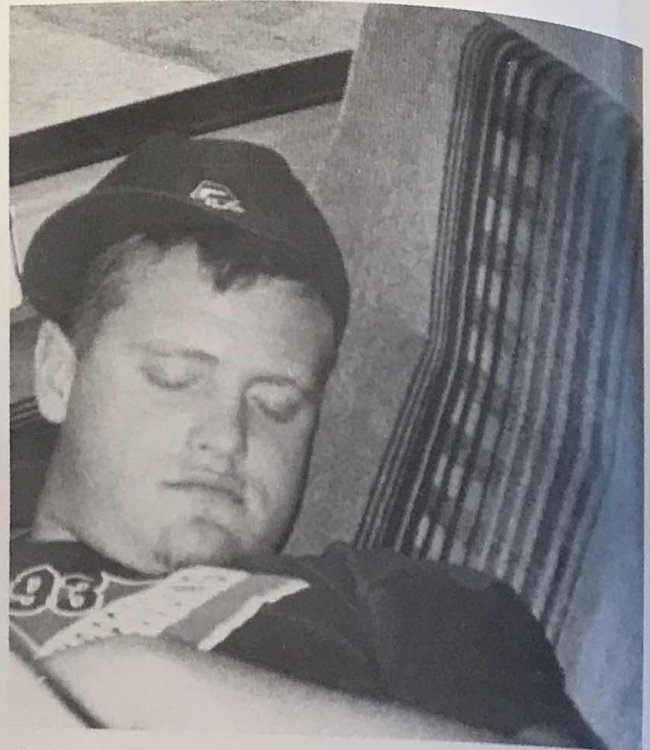
Before heading home, a stop was made for shopping in downtown Chicago, NIKE Town, and eating

(once again) at the Hard Rock Cafe.

**Above: Jeremy Soncksen** just can't wait for Planet Hollywood.



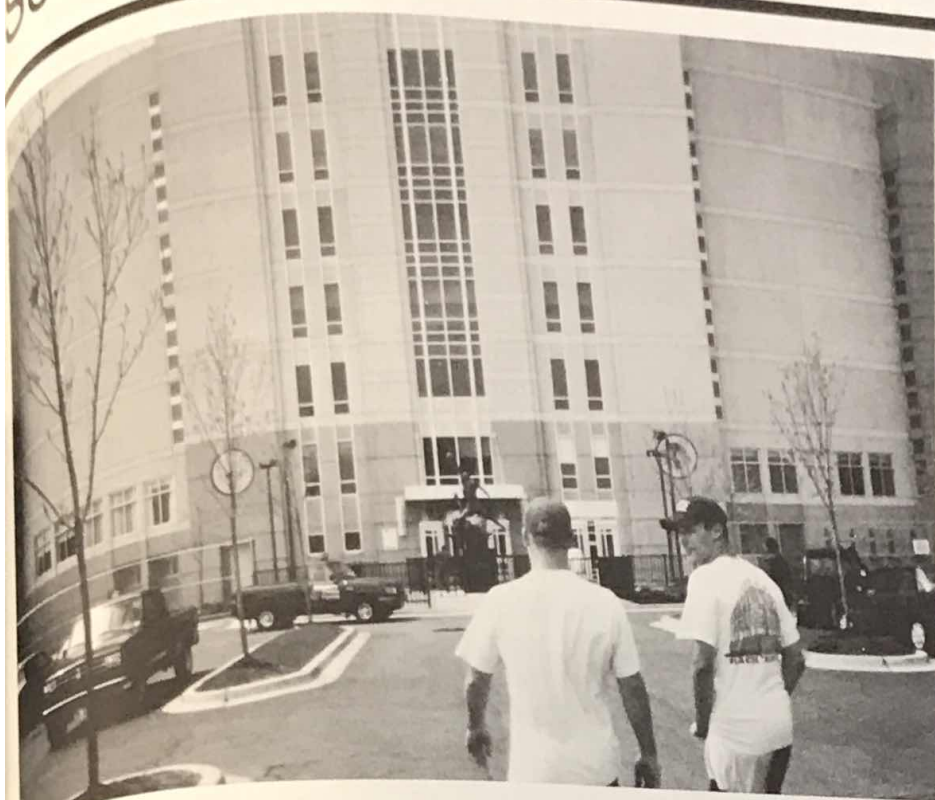
**Above: Joe Lambert, Jon Haussler, and Joel McCoy** cheer at Medieval Times.



**Below Right: Joel McCoy** spends some of the 12 hour bus ride sleeping.

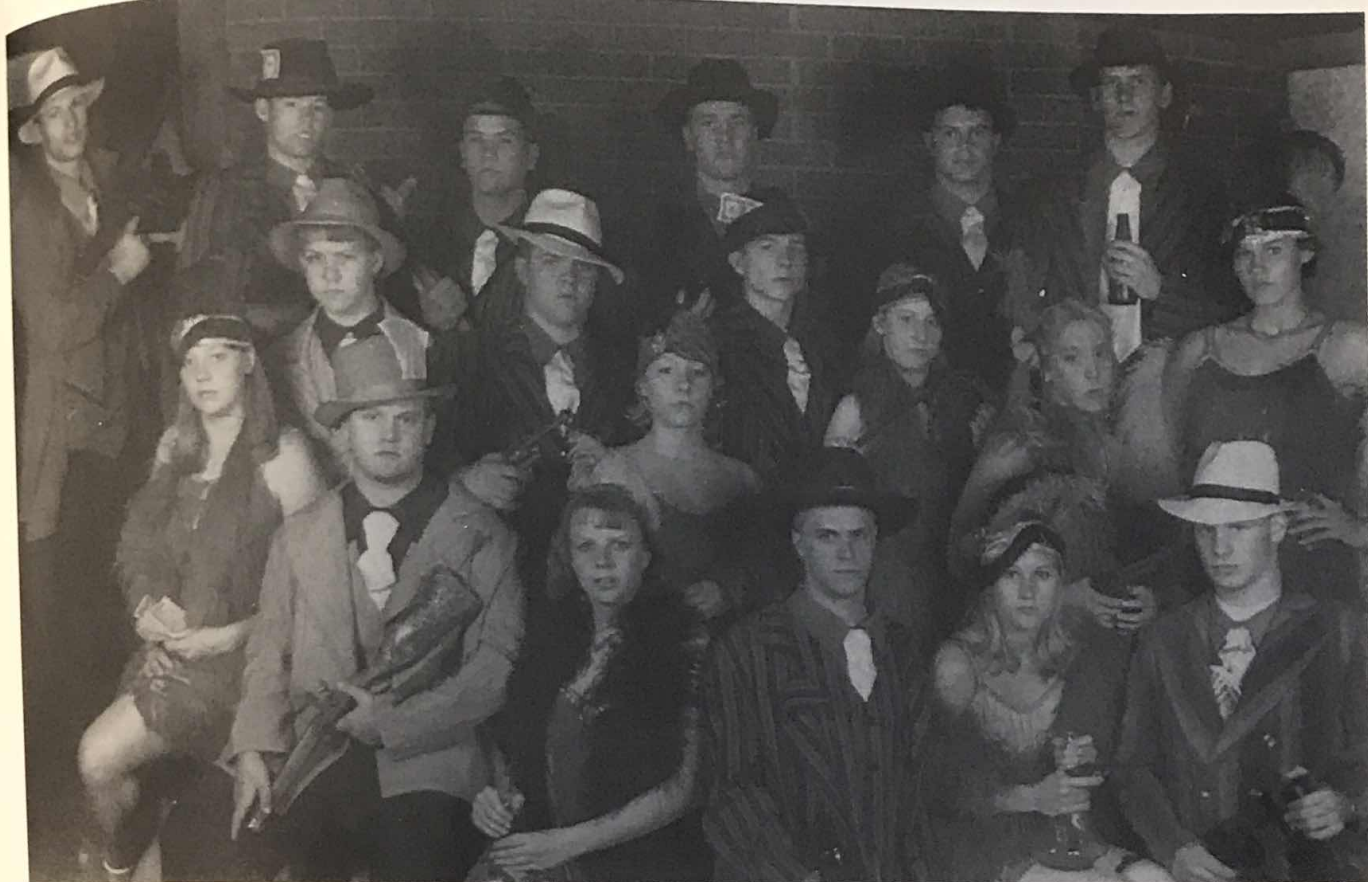


# Seniors Trek to Windy City



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Right: **Jeremy Clouse** and **Ross Collins** make their way to the United Center.



The Class of '97 show their true identities at Six Flags. They are Row 1 (l to r): **Julie Kennicutt**, **Joel McCoy**, **Angela Braithwait**, **Pat Bachman**, **Sarah Lammel**, and **Jeremy Clouse**. Row 2: **Keith Broughton**, **Jeremy Soncksen**, **Megan McClintic**, **Jon Haussler**, **Jennifer Breinig**, **Nicole Paine**, and **Jennifer Collins**. Row 3: **Ross Collins**, **Joe Lambert**, **Andrew Thompson**, **Allen Blake**, **Brent Christensen** and **Jeremy Kroemer**.



# Seniors Spend Last Day Together

**T**wenty-three Seniors turned their tassels on Sunday, May 11 at graduation ceremonies.

A new twist was added to the 1997 ceremony with three Senior class speakers replacing the community guest speaker.

After **Larry Lambert** welcomed the audience, the Valedictorian and Salutatorian addresses were given by **Jeremy Kroemer** and **Sarah Lammel**, respectively.

Senior Class president **Andrew Thompson**

"It felt strange finally graduating and leaving the place we've spent most of our lives at."--**Keith Broughton**

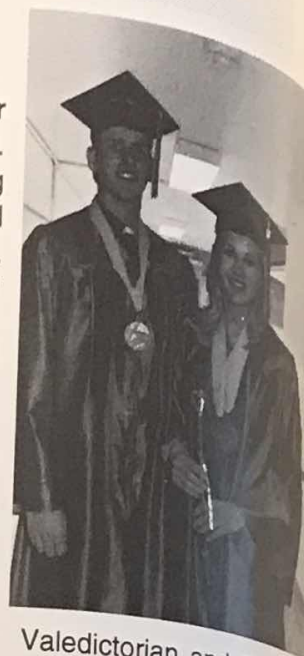
reviewed the top 10 reasons the Class of 1997 will succeed.

The Senior spotlight focused on childhood and senior photos of each graduating. The remaining

speakers were **Jennifer Collins** and **Joel McCoy**. **Jennifer** focused on a young girl and all trials and tribulations of school. **Joel** reminisced by mentioning each classmate and what he will remember about them.

Counselor

**Howard Davis** awarded some \$150,000 in scholarships, and Superintendent **Dave Hendricks** presented the class to receive their diplomas from School Board President **Dave Urbom**.

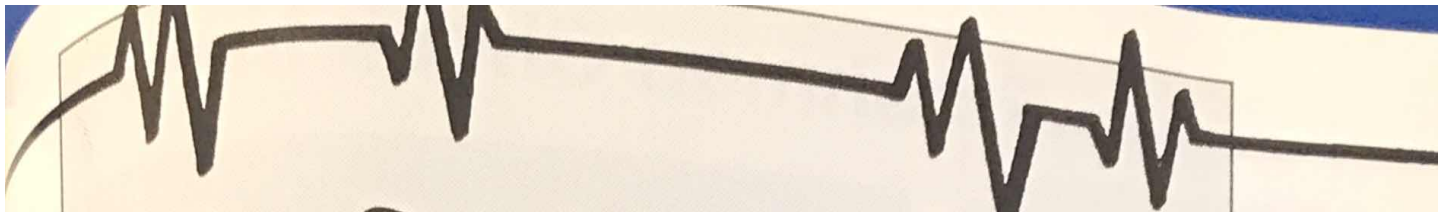


Valedictorian and Salutatorian **Jeremy Kroemer** and **Sarah Lammel**.



The 1997 graduates are Row 1 (l to r): **Alissa Sherrerd**, **Kola Crawford**, **Nicole Paine**, **Megan McClintic**, **Jessica Piper**, and **Sarah Lammel**. Row 2: **Angela Braithwait**, **Jennifer Collins**, **Julie Kennicutt**, **Bridget Martinez**, and **Jennifer Breinig**. Row 3: **Keith Broughton**, **Joe Lambert**, **Joel McCoy**, **Allen Blake** and **Patrick Bachman**. Row 4: **Jeremy Kroemer**, **Ross Collins**, **Jeremy Sonksen**, **Jeremy Clouse**, **Andrew Thompson**, **Brent Christensen**, and **Jon Haussler**.





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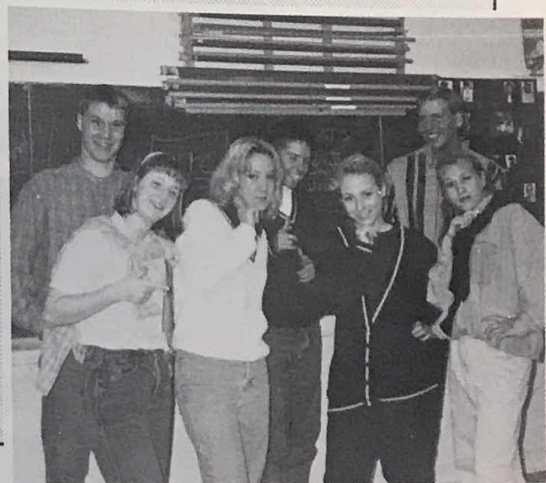
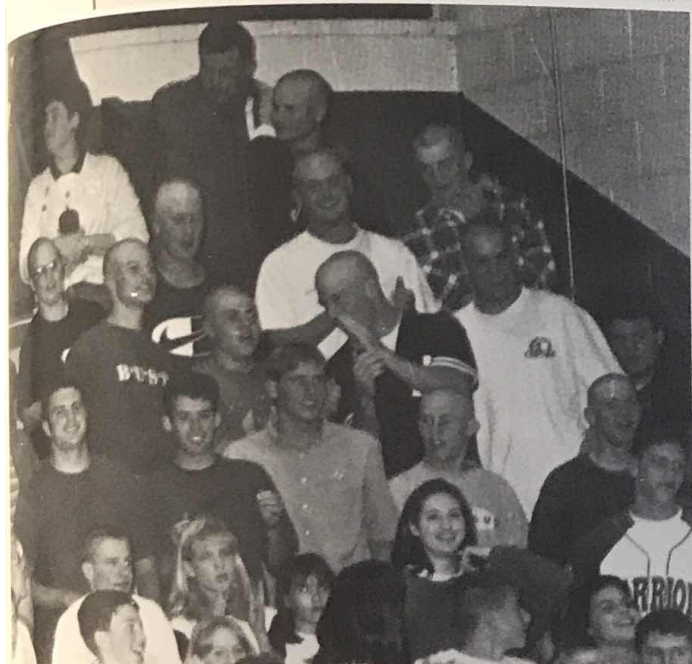
## an annual emergency

"We need an EKG Monitor in the emergency room (lobby) immediately!"

The Class of 2000 has inevitably been checked into our little medical institution called high school; and before the seniors can finally get out of their bed-ridden hiatus, they must be sure they fulfill their discharge requirements.

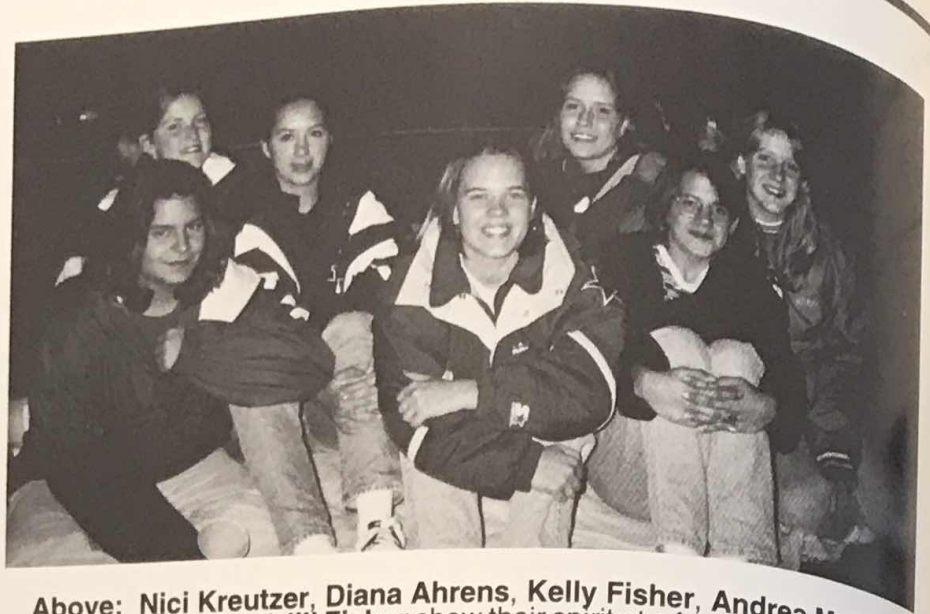
It happens each year, a new batch of "patients" arrive to discover whether they have what it take while the rest of them experience the tests and procedures necessary to move towards a higher level.

These people that comprise our school are the ones who will one day find a way to brand their imprint on the world. By testing the waters in the safety of this institution they will all be able to make memories from their mistakes, miseries and triumphs that come along the way until their time of dismissal.





# Freshmen Check In



Above: Nici Kreutzer, Diana Ahrens, Kelly Fisher, Andrea McClintic, Shantel Monie, and Jill Fisher show their spirit at a football game. Left: Kendall Christensen shows off his new moves for Jon Hendricks and Diana Ahrens.

Becky Adams  
Diana Ahrens  
Michael Baxter  
Kristen Bergman  
Chris Blickenstaff



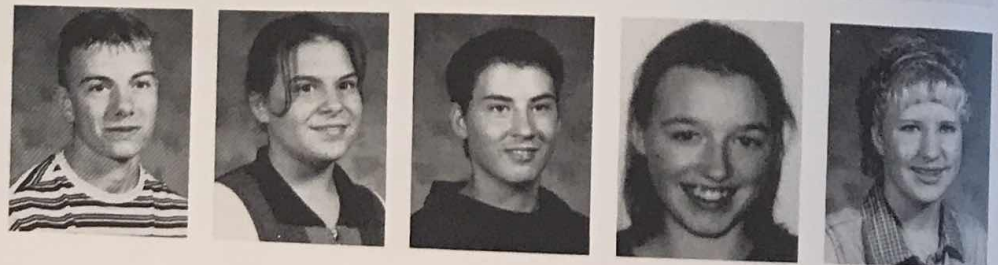
Allen Breinig  
Kevin Broughton  
Chad Carpenter  
Anthony Chapman-Vice Pres.  
Kendall Christensen



Ryan Collins  
Cherry Crawford  
Jill Fisher  
Kelly Fisher  
Cassie Helms



Jon Hendricks-President  
Nici Kreutzer  
A.J. Larabee  
April Larson  
Carrie Maxwell





## Class of 2000 Learns to Get Ahead



Above: Becky Adams and Nici Kreutzer play a hand of cards while waiting to sing at the RVL Clinic.

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Standing at attention while upperclassmen pass us lowly freshmen" is a brown-nosing technique.

The Class of 2000 not only took a big step into high school, but they will also lead us into the 21st century.

Although they were reluctant to admit it, many freshmen learned that "brown-nosing" was sometimes helpful in getting ahead. Buying food for teachers and upperclassmen held the top spot of the "brown-nosing" pyramid, followed by complimenting teachers on how young they looked, washing science beakers, and offering money. One freshman even went as far as asking English teacher **Karen Windhusen** out on a date every two weeks.

"Standing at attention while upperclassmen pass us worthless freshmen in the lunch line or any other line," was a technique used by **Kendall Christensen**.

A few freshmen felt that "brown-nosing" wasn't necessary in their climbing to the top, and they would do fine without it.



Andrea McClintic-  
Sec./Treas.  
Shantel Monie  
Jesse Olivo  
Jason Robertson



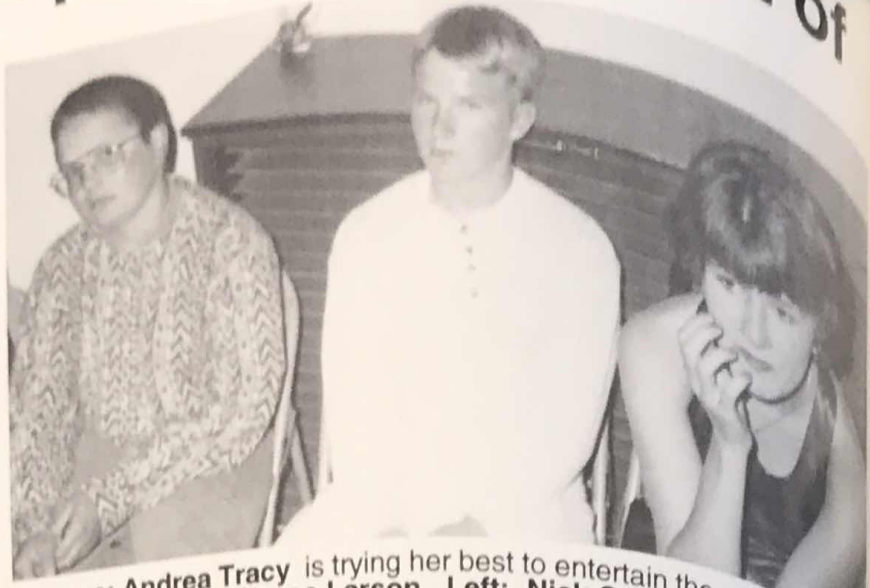
Josh Schrock  
Terry Smith  
Trisha Stevens  
Jamie Utterback



Rusti Utterback  
David Wendland  
Tanya Bachman (Not  
Pictured)



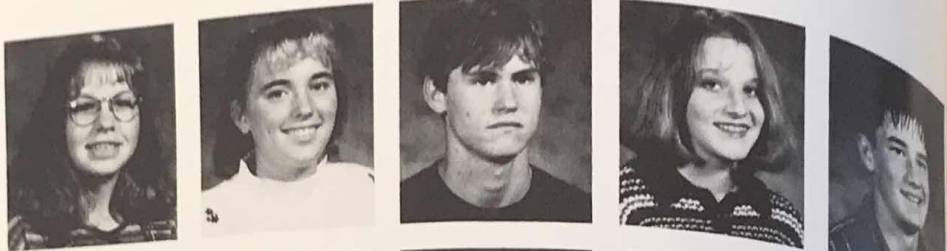
# Sophomores Let Out of



Above: **Andrea Tracy** is trying her best to entertain the ever happy **Chris Blickenstaff** and **James Larson**. Left: **Nick Collins** shows off his fancy fashion finesse while leaving the RVL Vocal Clinic.



Jennifer Avara-Sec./Treas.  
Andrea Chambers  
Raymond Chambers  
Lyndzie Clouse  
Nick Collins



Jon Crawford  
Cathy Fahnholz  
Wendy Foster  
Jeff Harmon  
Nate Hilker



Misty Hill-Vice Pres.  
Jessica Hjort  
Tara Jackson  
James Larson  
Megan Long



Courtney McNulty-President  
Mike Monter  
Zach Nott  
Michelle Peterson  
Kelly Pfeiffer





# Class of '99 Longs for the Past



Jessica Hjort and Jason Raastad wish they were back in finger painting classes instead of typing an English paper.



Misty Hill teased Nate Hilker about being a red-headed principal.

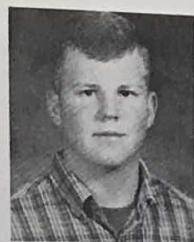
Every year, the underclassmen look to go forward a step in high school, but through all of the future thoughts the sophomores had time to look back and reminisce about their early childhoods.

Many people missed their kindergarten recess time and playing games in kindergarten. "I remember that I was smaller without as much hair, and that there's no recess anymore," recollects **Nick Collins**.

Fond memories of the family surface, too. "I remember always being the guinea pig for my older brothers' wrestling moves," said **Misty Hill**.

And the tough and terrible **Jamie Wendland** remembers when he had to "be cuddled all the time."

Even though these good times are past, the sophomores are getting ready to handle the world. Because when the going gets tough, the tough get cuddled.



Sonresa Powers  
Jason Raastad  
Kiley Stoye  
Andy Thomas



Misty Hill proudly displays her bib from McDonald's.



Mike Thomas  
Andrea Tracy



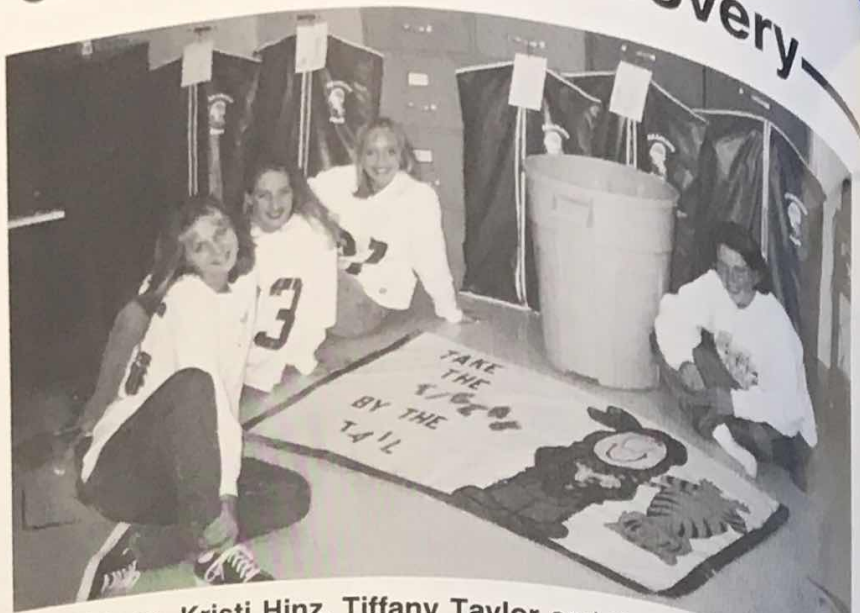
Grant Walbridge  
Jamie Wendland  
Tanya Moore (Not Pictured)



# Juniors . . . on the Road to Recovery

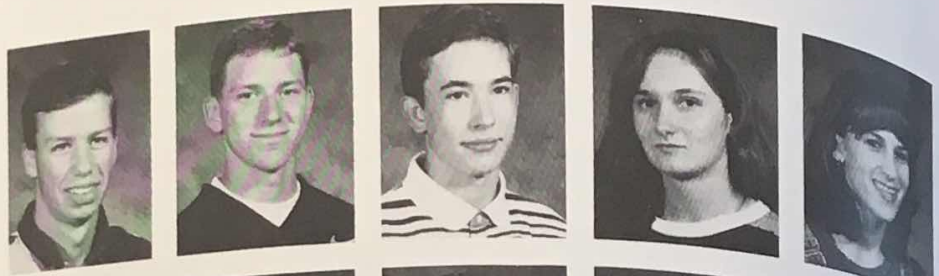


Scott Avara demonstrates how to get down and be ready for the ball.



Erin Urbom, Kristi Hinz, Tiffany Taylor and Heather Rhinehart show everyone the sign they made for homecoming.

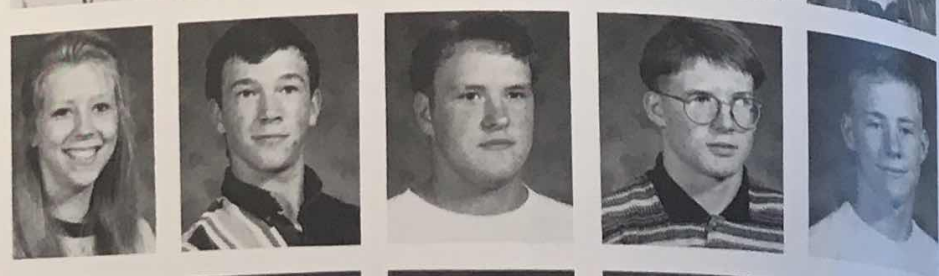
Scott Avara  
Chad Bergman  
Reid Burton-Vice Pres.  
Carrie Campbell  
Kristi Carnes



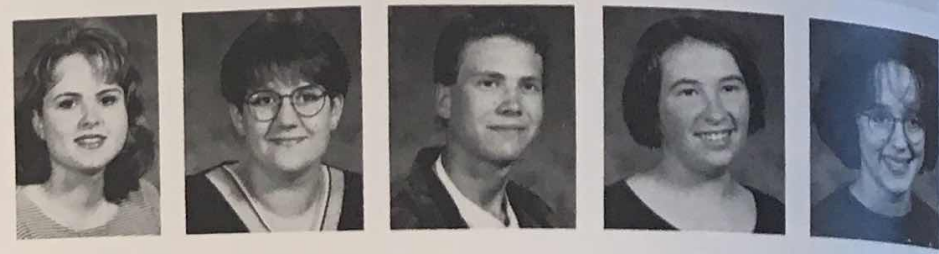
Paula Christensen  
Natasha Fisher  
Marylin Herron  
Jenny Hilker  
Kristi Hinz



Kim Inman  
Dustyn John  
Bobby King  
Jeff Larson  
Roger Maxwell



Jodi Petermann  
Denise Pfeiffer-President  
Jon Pruitt  
Heather Rhinehart  
Joanna Smith





# Class of '98 Tells All



Erin Urbom shows us some new things to add to our wardrobe.

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Junior Class finds there are many things they can't live without.

oving up fast and one step away from the top, the Class of '98 realizes its many needs and wants.

They also found there are many things they can't live without. While people, music and food topped the list, some juniors shared some more specific responses.

"Fast food and Joe," said **Natasha Fisher**, regarding necessities in life.

"I don't think the Junior Class could live without **Chad Bergman**," said **Kristi Hinz**. **Bergman** has a knack for lightening up even the heaviest situations.

The Class of '98 appears to have a few nature buffs within them, too, for oxygen and even the birds were noted as necessities of life.



Katie Smith  
Tiffany Taylor-Secretary  
Erin Urbom-Treasurer  
JR Utterback



Kristi Hinz shows that she wants to be like Senior **Nicole Paine**.



# —Seniors...A Class Ahead of the Rest



**Jennifer Breinig** translates the newspaper into Spanish.



The Homecoming candidates toast a day of getting out of school.

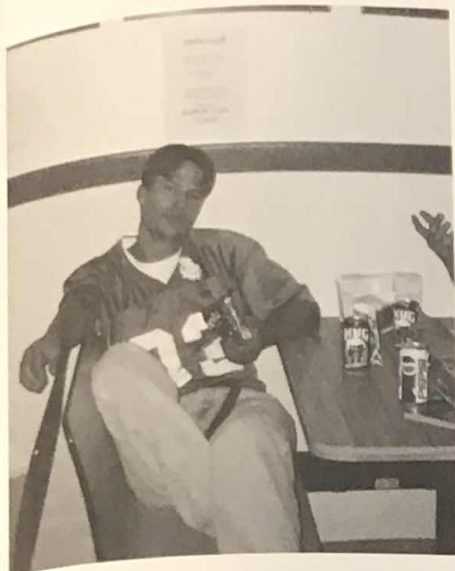


**Above Left:** Alyssa Sherrard and Bridget Martinez enjoy one of the seniors' favorite pastimes, the lounge. **Above Right:** Andrew Thompson, Jennifer Breinig, and Jeremy Clouse show off their prizes from magazine sales. **Right:** Jennifer Collins signs her letter of intent to Iowa State for Volleyball.





# Seniors Caught in the Act



Ross Collins takes time out of his (busy?) day to relax in the lounge.

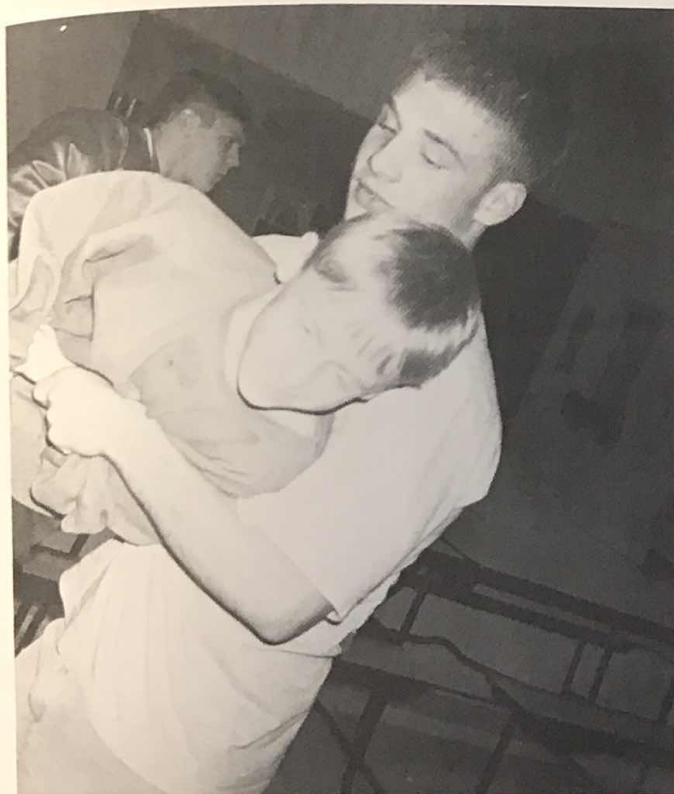
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ranks. The Class of 97 has mastered pulling them, and learned from the ones pulled on them.

**Joel McCoy** is still trying to figure out who his secret santa is. "All I want to know, is who in God's name, is my secret santa."

"All I want to know, is who in God's name, is my secret santa."

Many of us have also become well acquainted with those men in uniform. **Jeremy Clouse** returned from Mullen to discover his car on the track, one ticked off janitor, and Arlyn Leising on the case. Others learned that our police officers are well conditioned, because they had to run from them after shooting fireworks off the top of Wagner's. So you had better watch out for the Class of 97, because everyone knows, they are experienced pranksters.

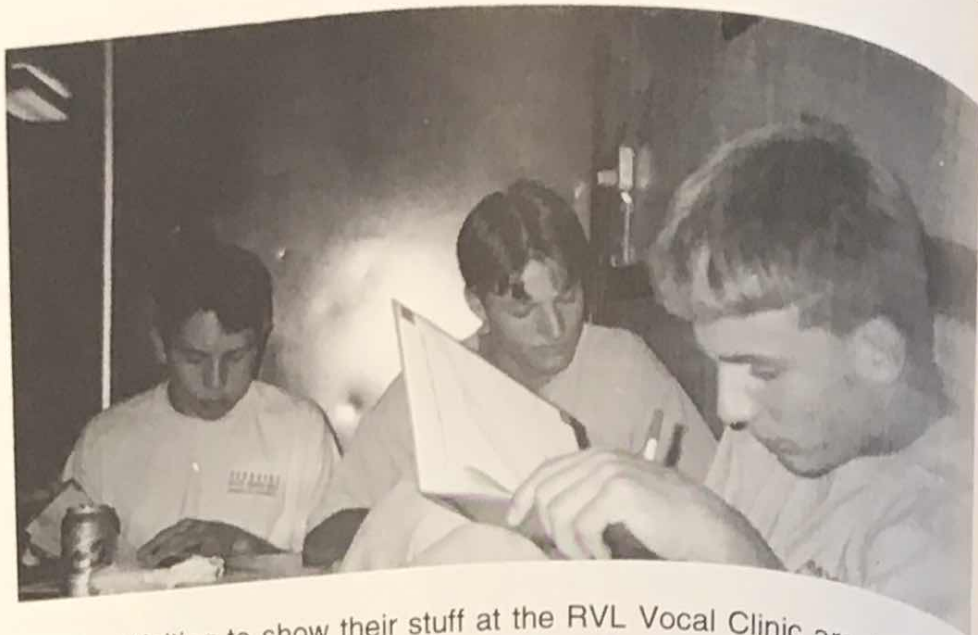
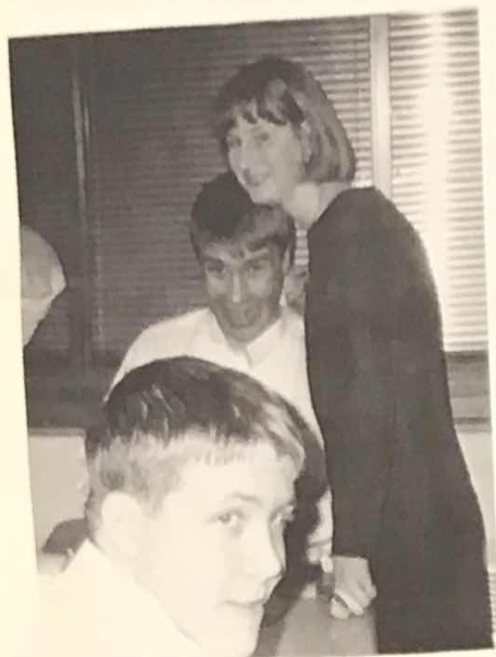


**Below (l to r):** Allen Blake, Jennifer Breinig, Nicole Paine, Joe Lambert, Megan McClintic, Jeremy Kroemer, and Sarah Lammel pose in their preppy clothes, for Homecoming. **Left: Jeremy Clouse** shows his Seniority by picking on **Jordan Spaulding**.





# Seniors Make Lasting Memories



Right: Waiting to show their stuff at the RVL Vocal Clinic are Jennifer Brienig, Allen Blake and Keith Broughton. Above: Jon Haussler, Ross Collins and Jeremy Clouse concentrate on filling out their memory books.



Above: Megan McClintic, Sarah Lammel and Jennifer Collins attempt to show life during choir. Above right: During a break from singing in choir, Joel McCoy and Ross Collins attempt to see if Ross's belt will fit Joel. Right: Seniors Jeremy Soncksen and Jennifer Collins give sophomore Mike Monter a little of their time while selling homecoming flowers.





# Seniors Take Their Shot



Allen Blake does his best impersonation of Darrell Barnes on "Dress as Your Favorite Teacher Day" during Homecoming Week.



"When Joel McCoy fed the class food" was a favorite memory.

Only once in a lifetime does one finally become the ever praised "senior."

As the Class of '97 took its shot at the big time they created memories that will last within their hearts and minds. From their first day at school as seniors to the Jr./Sr. Prom, their last dance together and sneak, they have discovered and renewed friendships while making those times the best ever.

What Alissa Sherrerd remembered most about her last year was from her Basic English class "when Joel McCoy fed the class food and wouldn't allow anyone to use his own fork."

Time and time again seniors have come and gone, but the Class of '97 planned to leave its mark on the people of AHS and only time will tell if they were successful.



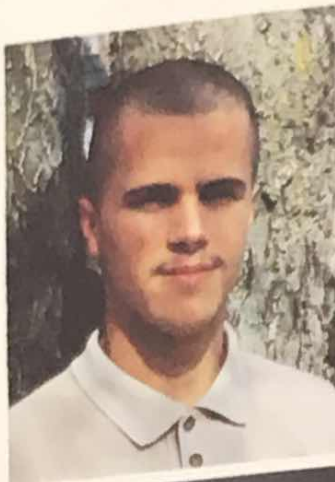
Left: Sarah Lammel, Megan McClinitc and Joe Lambert advertise homecoming flowers in hopes of earning money for the class. Below: The lounge provides suspicious entertainment for Jeremy Soncksen and Andrew Thompson.



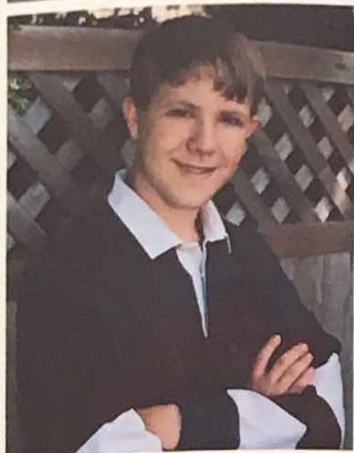


# Seniors

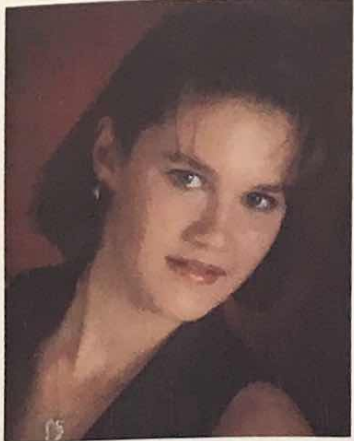
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Julie Kennicutt

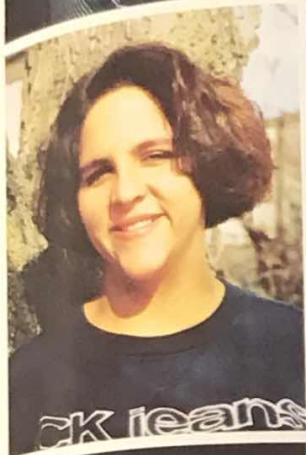




# Alive with Future Goals



Jeremy Kroemer  
Joe Lambert  
Sarah Lammel



Bridget Martinez  
Megan McClintic  
Joel McCoy



Nicole Paine  
Jessica Piper  
Alissa Sherrerd



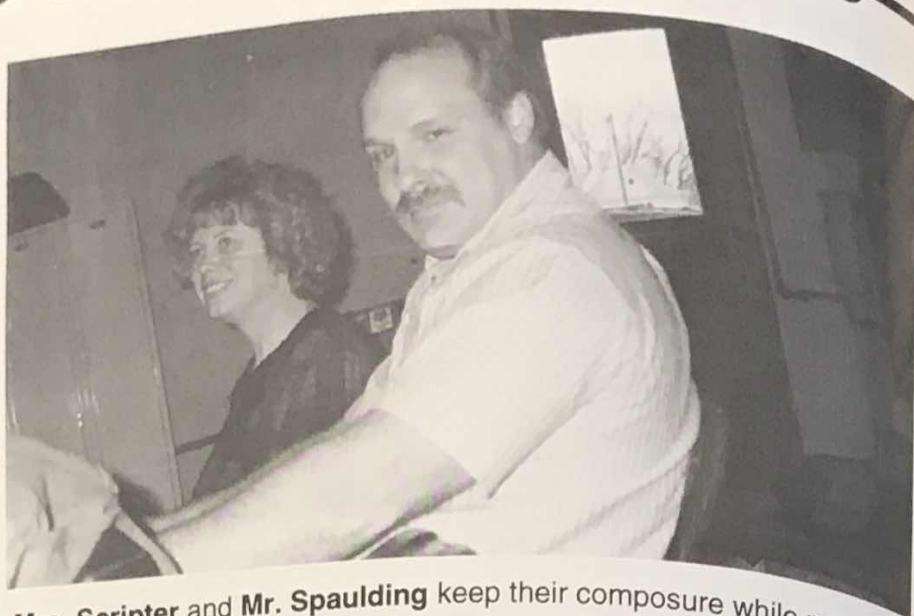
Jeremy Soncksen  
Andrew Thompson-President



# Teachers Survive Student Life



Mr. Lambert and Mr. Barnes wait patiently for the copier to finish.



Mrs. Scripter and Mr. Spaulding keep their composure while monitoring the mass study hall.

Darrell Barnes  
Glenn Blake  
Gaynelle Blickenstaff  
Kristi Blickenstaff  
Bob Braithwait



Pam Breinig  
Ann Collins  
Chuck Collins  
Lynn Crosley  
Karen Custer



Howard Davis  
Louise Demuth  
Daren Hatch  
Sue Helms  
David Hendricks

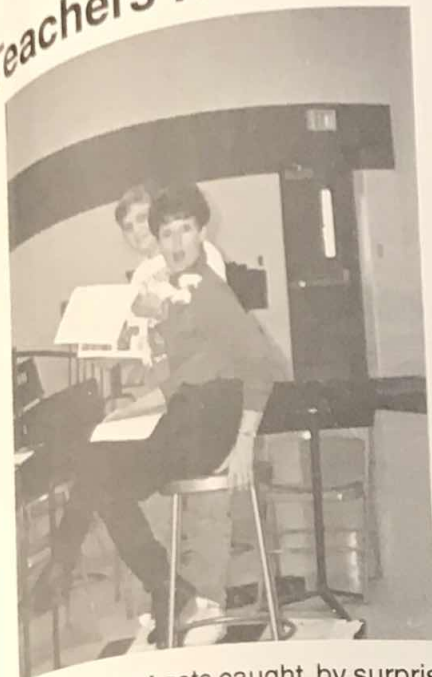


Janie Hilker  
Connie Hoefs  
Charles Isom  
Brenda Lambert  
Larry Lambert





# Teachers Reveal How They Satisfy Their Cravings



Mrs. Lambert gets caught by surprise while helping a student.

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Some teachers consume up to 6-10 cans of pop a day.

Not only students need an early morning kick with a can of pop to get going, but teachers also need that kick.

Teachers consume just as much pop as students sometimes do.

Some teachers consume up to 6-10 cans of pop a day. Teachers reach their caffeine peak from coffee to pop.

**Karen Windhusen** said she drank up to 3360 cups of coffee per year. **Diane Scripter** drinks up to 3 cups a day or 21 cups a week.

Water is the favored drink for those who are not so caffeine addicted.

Not only are teachers addicted to a certain drink, they are often seen with a candy bar or something from the candy machine to satisfy their cravings.



Marilyn Martin  
Steve Martin  
Shari Mues  
Gayla Probasco  
George Probasco

Diane Scripter  
Chris Snyder  
Jeff Spaulding  
Irlee Stegemeyer  
Geri Steinbrink

Steff Stineman  
Phillip Turner  
Traci Uehlin  
Karen Windhusen



# Support Staff Strives for Smooth Operations

Providing a wide range of services is our school's support staff.

What exactly is the support staff? This staff is comprised of nearly as many people as on the secondary faculty. The cooks, janitors, secretaries, bus drivers, and paraeducators complete the tasks often taken for granted.

Oh, we expect hot, well-balanced meals, for breakfast and lunch, but how many of us know that about 120 potatoes are baked for the potato bar?

Or can you guess the number of miles recorded on Arapahoe buses per year? If you answered about 26,000, you're right.

It is this staff who adds the special touches to the "operation" of each school day.

**Right:** From answering phones to taking numbers at the lunchline, **Kelly Ackerman, Linda Anderson** and **Donna Fisher** keep the school running.



The bus drivers include **Joe Hays, Linda Schaben, Shelia Pruitt, Charles Pruitt, Erma Pfeiffer, and Charles Huxoll.** Not pictured are **Jean Hays, Wayne Hilker, and Bryce Wiley.**



**Above:** **Cindy Huxoll, Bruce Sander, and Rowella Daugherty** keep the school looking sharp. Not pictured is **Jake Mowry.** **Right:** This group of support staff members provides special services. They include Row 1 (l to r): **Marge Braithwait** and **Cindy Bowers** (Paraeducators). Row 2: **Judy Collins** (Resource), **Clarice Schievelbein** (Media Assistant) and **Mary Lou Weber** (Aide). Not pictured are **Janie Hilker** (Chapter) and **Neva Kanost** (Aide).

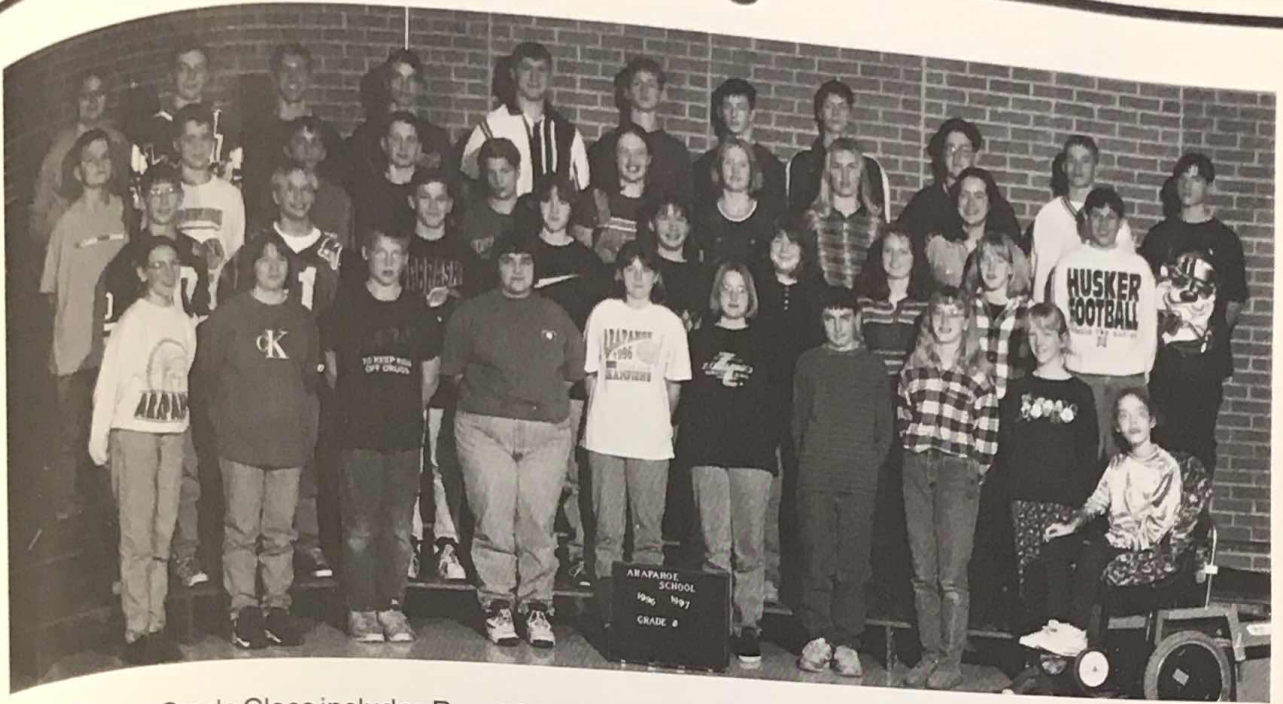


Chefs **Joanne Lammers, Joetta Glanzer** and **Judy Beedle** are responsible for the nutritious meals we devour. Not pictured are **Judy Breinig** and **Cindy Peterson.**





# Junior High



The Eighth Grade Class includes Row 1 (l to r): Gwen Rhinehart, Amanda Butter, Dale Foster, Jessica Nutsch, Beth Stock, Lindsey Petermann, Peter Campbell, Nici Chambers, Aleesha Huxoll, Kasi Dawson. Row 2: Cole Walbridge, Scott Taylor, Mike Eschen, Mandy Helms, Jillian Tangeman, Suzanne Martin, Paige Breinig, Shawna Fisher. Row 3: Stephen Hendricks, Dallas Christensen, Brent Carlson, Elliot Hoefs, Craig Larabee, Shannon Collins, Nichole McCoy, Kristin Warner, Quinn Martin. Row 4: Andy Manley, Brad Braithwait, Jon Urbom, Dallas Helms, Anthony Fisher, Chase Crawford, Jon Steinbrink, Josh Ervin, Holly Moore, Adam Lambert and Clayton John.



The Seventh Grade Class includes Row 1 (l to r): Alex Schutz, Kyle Helms, Amanda Remsburg, Melissa Olivo, Nicole Schrock, Allison Peterson, Matt Kruger. Row 2: Melissa Paine, Melissa Powers, Sarah Monter, Nick Otte, Kayla Dawson, Talisa Pruitt, Kelsey Middagh, Sonya Bachman, Chance Blickenstaff. Row 3: Andrew Borden, Jon Barnes, Christopher Harmon, Jordan Crawford, Molly Helms, Ben Sander, Carlos Olivo and Sam Yeager.



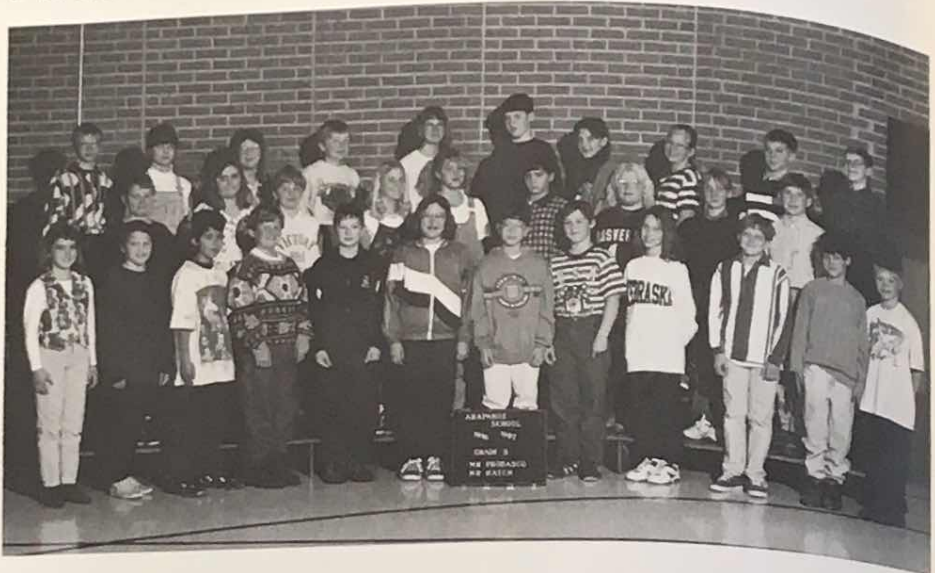
## Sixth Grade

The Sixth Grade Class includes Row 1 (l to r): Jay Weber, Lee Juhl, Andrea Eschen, Desiree Martin, Wesley Cookson, Jonathan Carter, Matthew Hjort, Kevin Rhinehart. Row 2: T.J. Moore, Scott Leising, Chris Lange, Thomas Utterback, Ashley Shearer, Katie Stoye, Donny Hjort. Row 3: Wendall Hoefs, Amy Wendland, Erica Fish, Heather McCoy, Sean Fritz, Daniel Morse, Adam Petermann, and John Widener.



## Fifth Grade

The Fifth Grade Class includes Row 1 (l to r): Tiffany Ackerman, Tiffany Wendland, Michael Valenzuela, Scott Rhinehart, Brett Burton, Laura Clymer, Derek Walbridge, Dustin Hockemeier, Madison Scott, Patrick Nott, Scott Bachman, and Chris Kruger. Row 2: Virgil Baxter, Heather Winters, Sam Walbridge, Nicole Maaske, Tiffany Meyers, Jon Kreutzer, Seneca Huxoll, Katie Chambers, and Dustin DeVries. Row 3: Travis Beck, Miranda Anderson, Elizabeth Christensen, Brandon Yeager, Kim Pfeiffer, Justin Spaulding, Kayleigh Dawson, Christina Sander, Colby Carpenter, and Craig Huxoll.



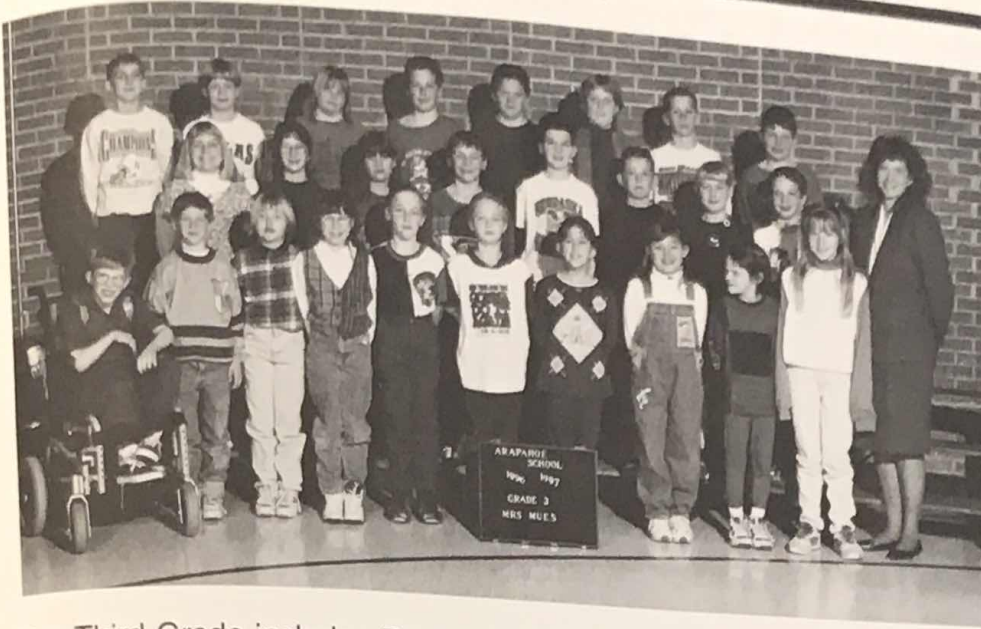
## Fourth Grade

The Fourth Grade includes Row 1 (l to r): Teacher Geri Steinbrink, Katie Adams, Brandi Rasmussen, Heather Shelton, John Baster, Jennifer Kreutzer, Jesse Carter, and Kelsi Ervin. Row 2: Cory Helms, Phillip Mues, Amber Simmons, Janelle Fritz, Sonya Schrock, Angela Dawson, and Michael DeOss. Row 3: Jason Warner, Michael Cacy, Theresia Dixon, Brian Foster, Cody Metzger, Connie Heinen, and Kayla Hinz.





## Third Grade



The Third Grade includes Row 1 (l to r) Tyler Brakhahn, Sam Cookson, Stephanie Leising, Brittany Schultz, Joshua Beck, David Blumenthal, Katie Lampe, Hollie Thomas, Sarah Holloway, Markie Sander, Teacher Shari Mues. Row 2: Sarah Snyder, Lindsey DeVries, Tiffany Moore, Tony Braithwait, James Langie, Jonathan Stoye, Julie Wendland, Justin Schultz. Row 3: Pat Ackerman, Blake Anderson, Ciera Welch, Tyson Moore, Dalton Helms, Abbey Breinig, Blake Maaske, and Bobby Reeder.

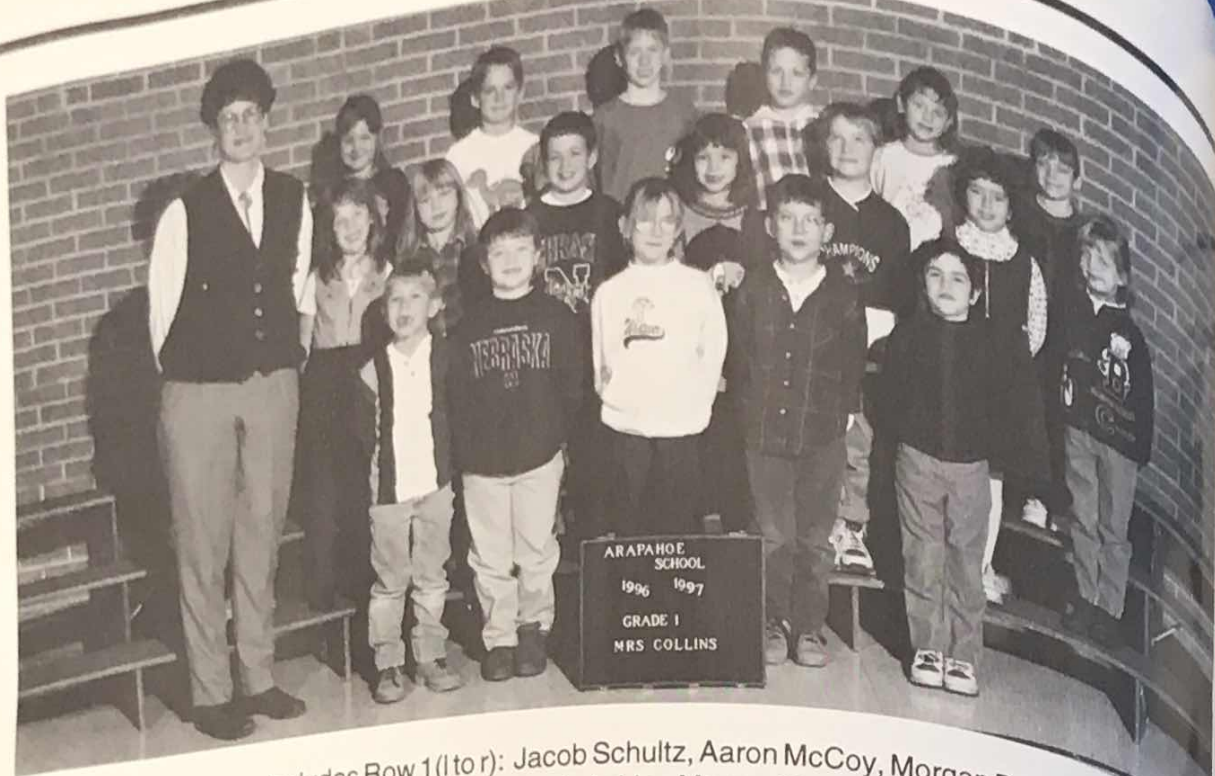
## Second Grade



The Second Grade Class includes Row 1 (l to r): Stephanie Stineman (teacher), Sarah Urbom, Amanda Huxoll, Megan Gardner, John Hughes, Jessica Kent, Alyssa Dickmeyer, Sarah Lange, James Dixon, Adam Albertson and Sue Helms (teacher). Row 2: Tyler Hamel, Maggie Rudolph, Whitney Bergman, Kristyne Huxoll, Adam Borden, Pierce Scott, Garrett Tracy, Jared Jenkins, and Tori Haussler. Row 3: Rachael Thompson, Kayla Vaughn, Andrew Isom, Casey Heinen, Drew tenBensel, Levi Langie, Buddy Stonerook, Zach Henry and Justin Robertson.



# First Grade



The First Grade Class includes Row 1 (l to r): Jacob Schultz, Aaron McCoy, Morgan Breinig, Adam Snyder and Justin Carter. Row 2: Ann Collins (teacher), Ashley Moore, Megan Wallgren, Brian Downey, Erika Dawson, Aaron Gillett, Lauren Warner and Amanda Schutz. Row 3: Lynette Schriener, Hawk Ellis, Jordan Spaulding, Ethan Jenkins, Jessica Stagemeyer and Cheryl Braithwait.

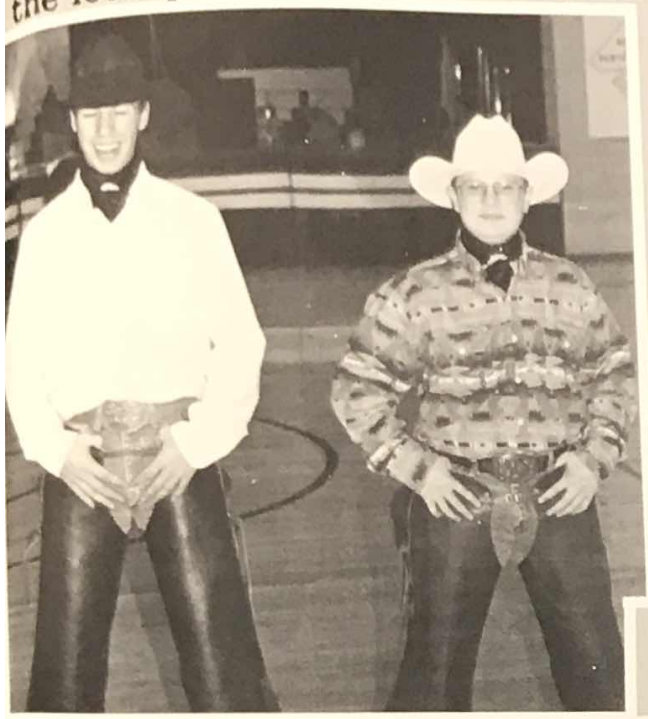
# Kindergarten



The Kindergarten Class includes Row 1 (l to r): Karen Custer (teacher), Amy Breinig, Nikolas Soto, Max Nutsch, Brianna Kruger, Natasha Shacklett, Cece Stonerook and Hope Scott. Row 2: Jessica Zachgo, Andy Wendland, Grant Williamson, Dillon Breinig, Dane tenBensel, Kayla Chambers and Brittany Cramer.



the local posse decided to do something.



They rounded up a janitor,



and a recipe for vitality.



And they finally decided-

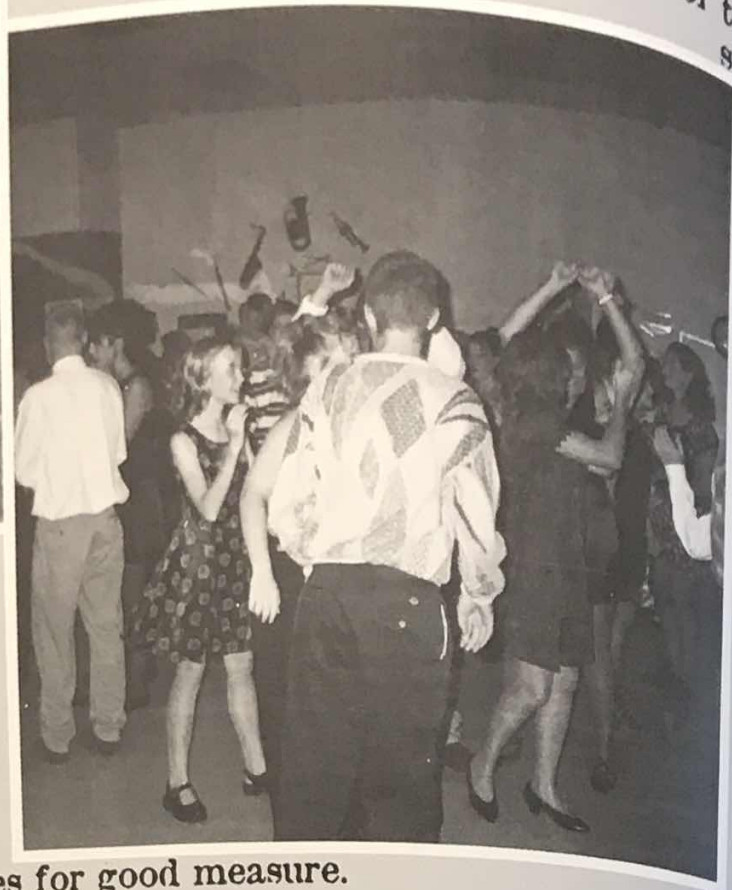
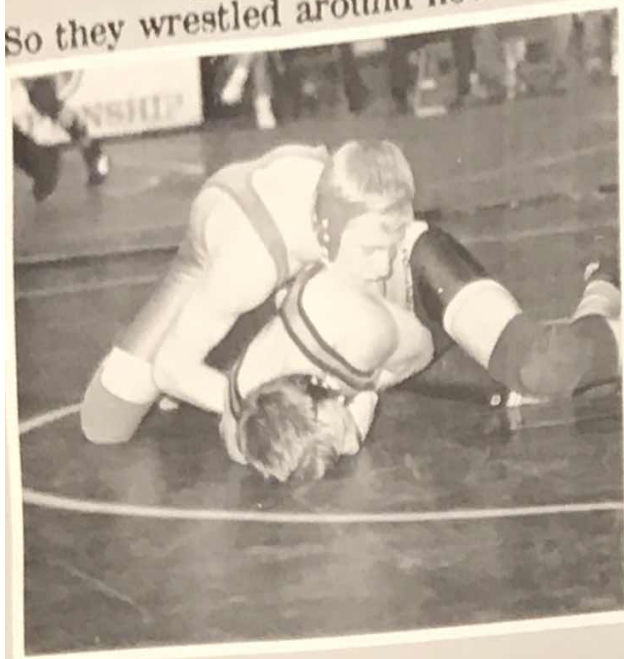


it had to be the water.



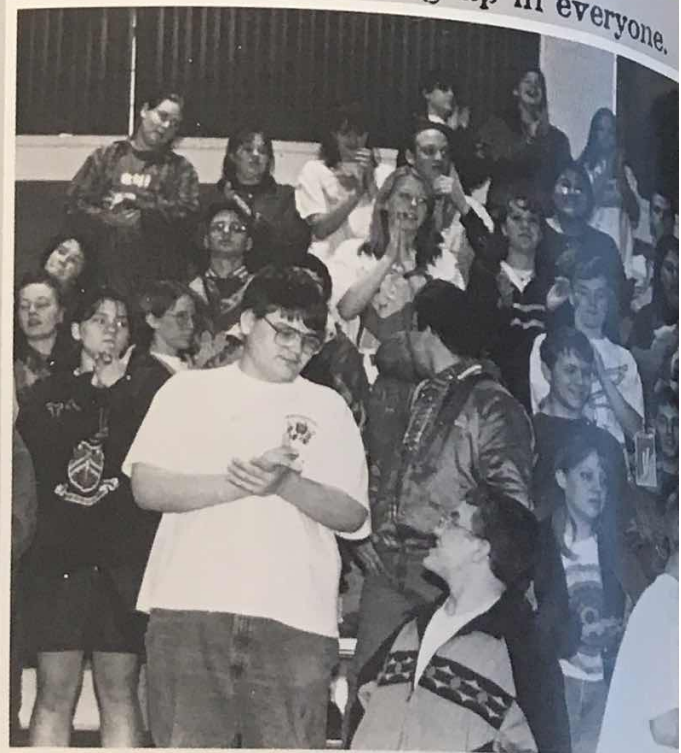
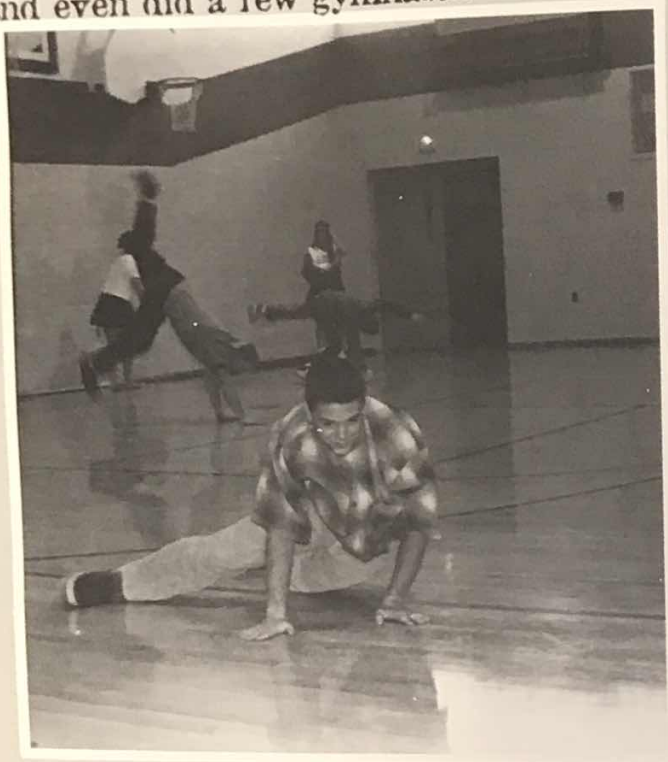
So they wrestled around how to fix the problem.

Finally, everyone just danced it out of their system.

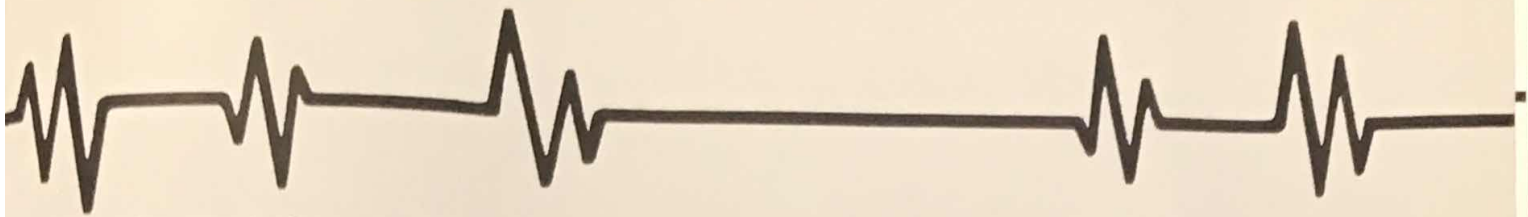


and even did a few gymnastic moves for good measure.

Vital signs were showing up in everyone.







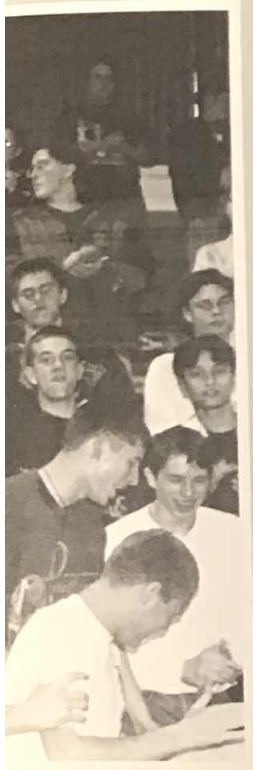
People started to wake up.



They stretched out all the aches and pains,



And by the end of the day-



Some people even got down right crazy. Closing 83

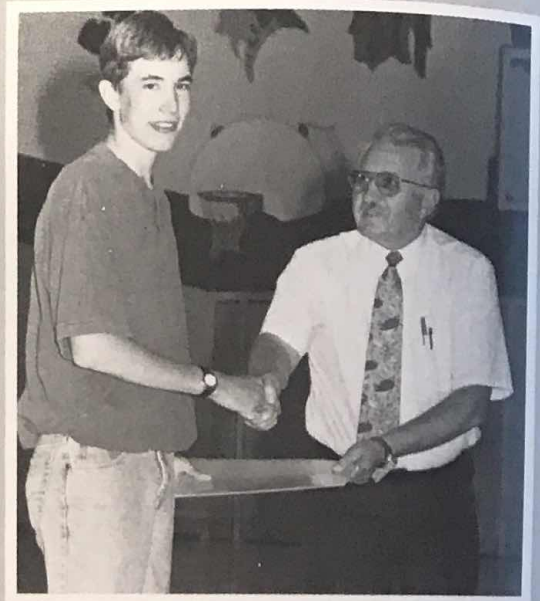


Go ahead. Do it. We know that are you dying to. Check your pulse. Is it still there? After looking through this yearbook, can you find any signs around you that show that there is life out in the big city of Arapahoe?

We, as a Journalism Staff, hope that sometime in the future when you are feeling like reminiscing about your old alma mater days, you can look to this yearbook to find out that you really did have things to do during the years you were here. If someday you are still thinking that this was the most boring town in America, hopefully this collection of vital signs can help jog your memory of the good times.

Last but not least, we wish a warm and heartfelt goodbye to three very important people at our school who have been through so many joys and sorrows at AHS. Thanks to high school Guidance Counselor Howard Davis, Assistant Librarian Clarice Schievelbein, and Teacher Aide Mary Lou Weber. You have done so much for so many, and you will be missed greatly.

So, here's to another year at AHS. Just remember that the Surgeon General always warns you about smoking and drinking, but he never says anything about getting too much out of life. Live it to the fullest, and always remember to check your vital signs.



Guidance Counselor **Howard Davis** (right) presents **Reid Burton** with a certificate at Awards Night. **Mr. Davis**, who retired in May of 1997, has been a part of Arapahoe Public School for 36 years.



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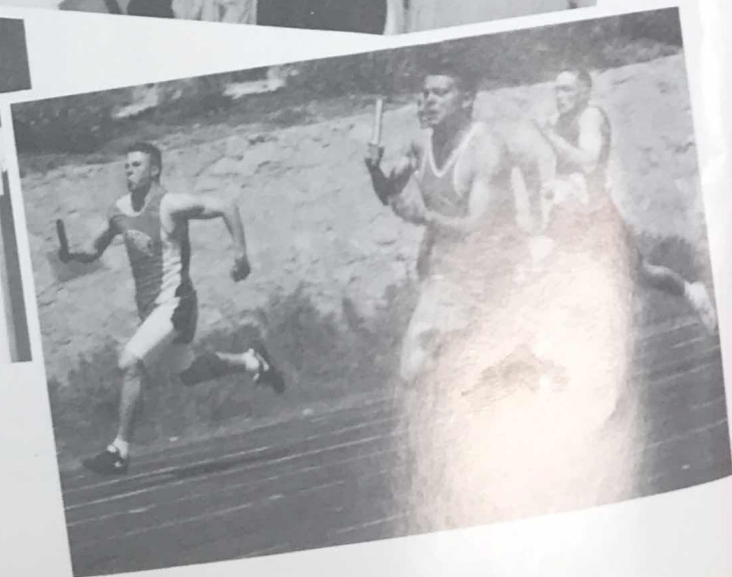
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