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#### ARAPAHOE HIGH SCHOOL

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For some strange reason, the later you stay up at night, the funnier things seem. This could explain why David Letterman airs his top ten lists at approximately 11:30. Indeed burning the midnight oil often translates into finding humor in the most intricate things. So, being the flock of night owls we are, we decided to borrow Letterman's techniques and give top ten reasons for being who you are and doing what you do.

When you get right down to it, there isn't anything in the world that you do without having a reason for doing it. Webster puts it best by defining a reason as "a statement given to confirm or justify a belief, promise, or excuse; to obtain ideas, to think clearly, and to make logical and rational choices and decisions." In other words, it's a rather lengthy explanation for why you roll out of bed every morning.

This annual is full of reasons. There is a reason for every single thing that goes on inside the doors of AHS, and we couldn't think of a better way to help you remember why you get involved, participate in sports, study, and live the life that you live. Yes, these are the best times of our young lives . . . and why? Just look

and read...

Molly McNulty and Katie Swanson Co-Editors

This 1996 annual, GIVEME ONE GOOD REASON, is dedicated to our beloved teacher and friend, Deborah Fields.

# ARASKA CIMIUTER CAMP CIMIUTER CAMP

Katie Swanson, Chad Bergman, and Sarah Lammel pose for a picture as students cheer at a pep rally.



Jennifer Collins smiles as she gets caught in her pajamas.



Jennifer Breinig and Angela Braithwait find time to relax in choir.

#### People

The students at Arapahoe High School are definitely a group of individuals. Here are 10 reasons that make them unique.

- 10. Kiley's attraction to mirrors
- 9. Jennifer's 6'3" frame and power laugh
- 8. Cody's black eyes
- 7. Molly's million laughs
- 6. Scott is a Forest Gump act alike
- 5. Angie's engagement ring
- 4. Joel's bent arm
- 3. Katie's car "Laverne" has been referred to as "the tank"
- 2. Scott's Wrangler behind

Joel's washboard stomach

#### Top Ten Reasons It's Great To Be A Senior

10. Curfew gets extended (which is irrelevant because there's nothing to do anyway)

9. No more Trig, Senior English and Pre-Calc

8. SNEAK!

7. Getting out of school close to a month before anyone else

6. You finally get to say, "But I'm a senior," all the time 5. Lockers down-

stairs

4. Invoke fear into members of the K-11

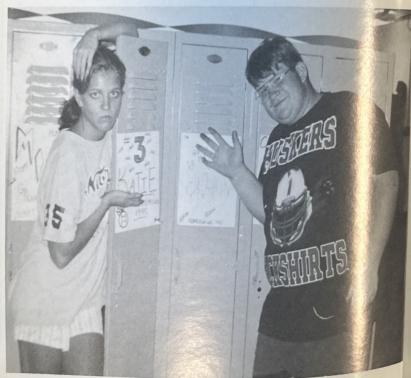
3. Going 1st in the lunch line

2. Lounge priveledges 1.We're Outta Here!!!

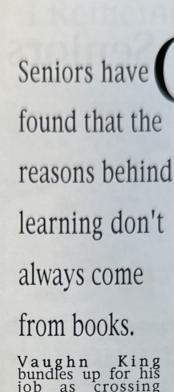
#### Seniors



Above: Sherida Youngman and Lindsay Collins try not to too enthused during American Government. Below: Ka Swanson and Glenn Thomas display their spirit during I decorating for Homecoming. Hall decorating was just one of many things seniors did to cap off their final Homecoming.



#### Mistakes Prove Beneficial



Vaughn King bundles up for his job as crossing guard.

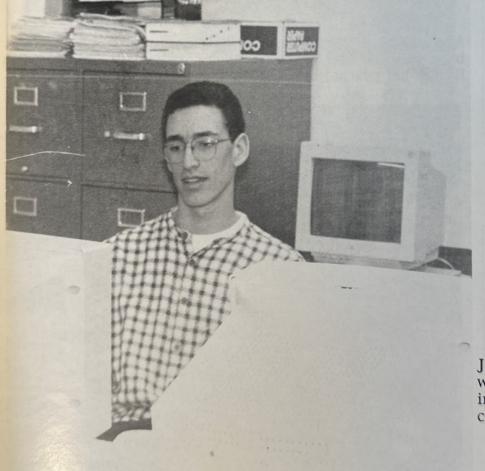
uite possibly the most important thing sethroughout high school, is to laugh at the mistakes they've made and not to make those mistakes again.

Molly McNulty learned, "Do not save your term papers on your computer disk as T. papers are a pain in the neck." Steph Martin offered advice by saying, "Keep your mouth shut and your ears open cause you never know what you'll find out." herid Youngman, a newcomer to the bitter Nebraska winters, simply stated, "The sidewalks get slick in the winter."

Matt Harmon gave advice on the subject of love by saying, "There's more to life than one girl."

Finally the most important aspect of high school is the relationships you create. Katie Swanson summed it up by saying, "I've learned that without friends life would be a bore."

Crawford Justin works on the computer in the advanced Mac. II class.



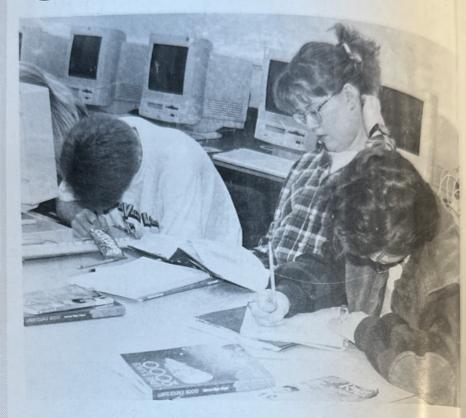
#### Seniors Said.....

"One reason being a senior is great is that you get to look forward to college and no one can tell you what to do," said Cody Hill.

"For some odd reason you know you've at least earned a little respect," commented, Lindsay Collins.

"The only really bad thing about being a senior is that you don't know exactly what you'll be doing next year," stated Justin Crawford.

#### Seniors



Above: Craig Hilker, Megan Wilcox, and Dawn Breinigwon hard on an assignment for English Class. Below: Ashley Mue flashes her pearly whites for the camera.





#### I Remember When...

Seniors fill memory books with events from the past.

Left: RobynBurton literally crams for a test! Below: Can you identify who's who in these pictures from 1988?

...Joel McCoy got caught by his zipper and was hanging by his neck from the slide.

...State Volleyball.
...we took the band
trip to Dallas our
freshman year.

...Jami Schievelbein started cheering 95-95-90 90-90...oops!

... we won RVL wrestling three years in a row.

...we decorated for prom.

...several of us took a road trip to Alma on Homecoming!

... Katie Swanson and Ashley Mues wrecked into each other in the parking

...Jared Hemelstrandaccidentally took Jesse Johannsen's underwear after gym class. The same day he took Jesse out with a killer serve.

...Keith Maaske fell off the roof taking a band picture.

... the whole class played volleyballsoccer at noon.

...Justin Crawford vomited on Mr. Bubak's shoe and all the way to the bathroom.

...Andrea Larabee fell down the bleachers during a musical.





#### Class of '96 Wonders



Dawn Breinig



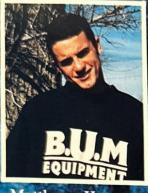
Robyn Burton



Lindsay Collins



Justin Crawford



Matthew Harmon



Jared Hemelstrand



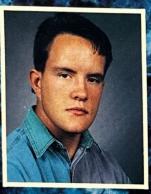
Craig Hilker



Cody Hill



Jesse Johannsen



Vaughn King



Andrea Larabee



Keith Maaske



Stephanie Martin



Tiffany Maxwell

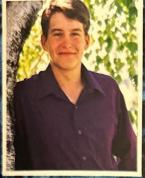


Molly McNulty



Ashley Mues

#### What Now?"



Jim Piper



Pat Potter



Casey Sander



Jami Schievelbein



Joel Schutz



Lona Smith



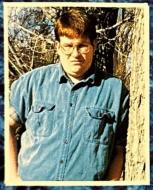
Joey Soncksen



Mike Stock



Katie Swanson



Glenn Thomas



Carolyn Warner



Heather Wendland



Megan Wilcox



Sherida Youngman

Class Officers President: Ashley Mues Katie Swanson Vice President: Stephanie Martin Secretary/Treasurer:

#### Juniors

Patrick Bachman Allen Blake Angela Braithwait Jennifer Breinig Keith Broughton

Brent Christensen Jeremy Clouse Jennifer Collins Ross Collins Jeremy

Jon Haussler Julie Kennicutt Jeremy Kroemer Joe Lambert Sarah Lammel

Megan McClintic Joel McCoy Nicole Paine Jessica Piper Alissa Sherrerd

Jeremy Soncksen Angela Thomas Andrew Thompson Mandy Wendland

Not Pictured: Kola Crawford Allan Smith

Right: Juniors show an array of emotions as they discuss plans for prom.







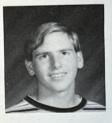




















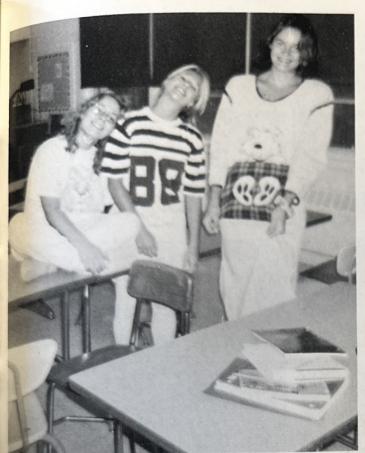












#### Strange but Unique

Diverse personalities control Junior Class.

Megan McClintic, Sarah Lammel and Jennifer Collins show their spirit during homecoming week on pajama day. pinionated. Loud.
Insane. Funny.
Whoa! These are
some statements
the juniors used to
decribe the uniqueness of their class.

These class clowns are not only unique, but have certain abilities not classes entail. Many have said they have the ability to trail off on total senseless Another subjects. trademark of the Class of '97 is "they make teacher happy, sad, or laugh until they're blue in the face, you name emotion, they the can do it!"





Above: Ross Collins demonstrates his musical abilities.
Left: Nicole Paine and Angela Braithwait sneak in a cat nap on pajama day.

#### Sophomores

Scott Avara Chad Bergman Reid Burton Kristi Carnes Natasha Fisher

> Jenny Hilker Kristi Hinz Kim Inman Dustyn John Bobby King

Jeff Larson Roger Maxwell Jodi Petermann Denise Pfeiffer Jonathon Pruitt

Heather Rhinehart Joanna Smith Katie Smith Tiffany Taylor Erin Urbom

JR Utterback Not Pictured: Paula Christensen Marylin Herron











































Right: Senior Joey Soncksen and Junior Jen-nifer Collins use sophomore crutches Heather Rhinehart and Jenny Hilker to get down the bleachers.





They're Catching Up

Sophomores are finally catching on to the swing of things with their second year of practice.

Left: Denise

Left: Denise Pfeiffer enjoys her trip to Albequerque for FCCLA. very year the same thing is heard over and over, that being an underclassman is really tough. Is it all that bad?

The Sophomore Class may be near the bottom, but they're moving up fast, and that's a good reason to keep up the hard work and preparations to be upperclassmen.

Jenny Hilker has her own reasons. "I'm looking forward to next year, because then it's all downhill to graduation."





Above: Scott Avara is a big addition to the band as the drummer.

Left: Natasha Fisher shows off her talent playing trumpet in pep band.

#### Freshmen

Jennifer Ayara Andrea Chambers Raymond Chambers Lyndzie Clouse Nick Collins

> Jon Crawford James Debraal Cathy Fahnholz Jeff Harmon Nathan Hilker

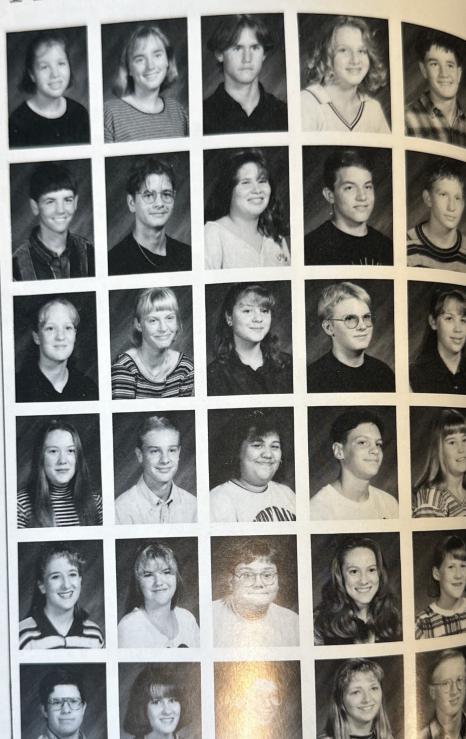
> > Misty Hill Jessica Hjort Tara Jackson James Larson Megan Long

Courtney McNulty Mike Monter Tanya Moore Zach Nott Michelle Peterson

> Kelly Pfeiffer Sonresa Powers Jason Raastad Kiley Stoye Melissa Swenson

> Michael Thomas Andrea Tracy Grant Walbridge Carrie Wendland Jamie Wendland

> > Not Pictured: Wendy Foster Andy Thomas





#### First Year Finds Fears

First year students make new friends, take difficult classes, and deal with freshmen fears.

Left: Mrs. Martin helps Lyndzie Clouse and Kelly Pfeiffer on the computer. t's no doubt that the first year of high school can be a scary encounter.

Freshmen fears are provoked by tradition, but there are other reasons that promote freshmen fears such as competing with upperclassmen for a position on a sports team or dealing with immense peer pressures.

"There are so many pressures by the cliques to fit into," stated Carrie Wendland, "I was afraid of what the upperclassmen would think of us."

No matter what the reason behind the fear, the Class of '99 survived.





Above: Courtney McNulty shows her spirit to the band at a pep rally.

Left: Michelle Peterson, Kelly Pfeiffer, Misty Hill and Sonresa Powersenjoy pizza before a game.

#### Faculty

Darrell Barnes Glenn Blake Kristi Blickenstaff Bob Braithwait Pam Breinig

> Jim Brewer Betty Bricker Chuck Collins Lynn Crosley Howard Davis

Traci Elwood Daren Hatch David Hendricks Connie Hoefs Charlie Isom

Brenda Lambert Larry Lambert Marilyn Martin Steve Martin Joan Mowry

Diane Scripter Jeff Spaulding Irlee Stagemeyer Karen Windhusen



























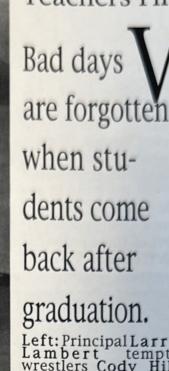




Right: Computer teacher Connie Hoefs aids Angela Braithwait in her Mac I class.



#### Teachers Find a Balance



Left: Principal Larry Lambert tempts wrestlers Cody Hill and Jeremy Hardenbrook while filling the candy machine.

ith any profession there are going to be bad days; with teaching there may be a few more than most people expect.

The days when students tell them to "
\*7h%#@k off!", when they hit a deer and roll the car on the way home in the middle of snowstorm, or when they have to tell a student her mother had died might be a little hard to deal with, but the teachers here have found some what of a balance.

These bad days fade quickly when a student comes back after graduation to thank his teachers or when a bit of excitement in a student's eyes show that he understands a tough concept.

It's all worthwhile though, and is reason enough to begin each school year with a fresh approach.



Left: Band instructor Jim Brewer conducts the band during a pep rally.

#### Cleaning Up

mother's work is almost never finished, especially when she's cooking, cleaning and driving for nearly 375 kids. "Mother," of course, is our cooks, janitors and bus drivers.

The hardest part of it is making a typically

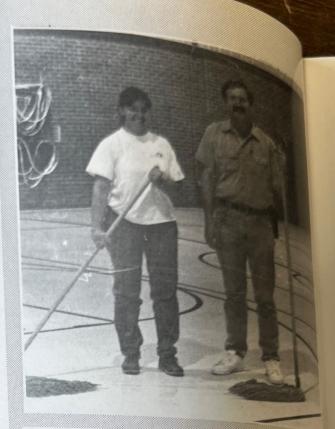
mother's routine job not so typiwork is al- cal.

"I enjoy the variety of work I do here," commented Bruce Sander, "there's always something to clean, cut, trim or fix."

It's clear to see that without the hard work and constant effort of these individuals the school couldn't function properly.



Joetta Glanzer, Judy Breinig, Joanne Lammers and Judy Beedle show proof they do eat their own food.



Above: Cindy Huxolland Bruce Sande take a short break during their daily more ping ritual. Not pictured are Jake Mown and Rowella Daugherty.

Below: Charles Huxoll Linda Schaben Charles Pruitt, Sheila Pruitt, Erm Pheiffer and Joe Hays give a quick pos while waiting for kids to pile on the buse Not pictured is Jean Hays.

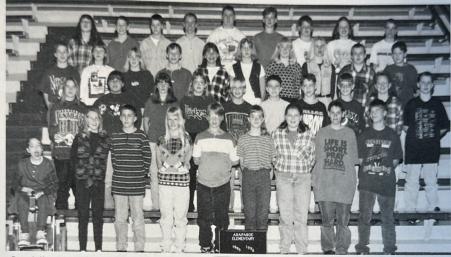


Judy Breinig shows great enthusiasm while washing dishes.

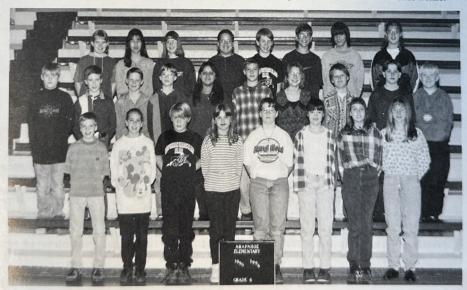




Row 1 (ltor): Josh Schrock, Becky Adams, Jill Fisher, Kristen Bergman, Chad Carpenter and Chris Blickenstaff. Row 2: Tanya Bachman, Jason Robertson, Shantel Monie, Trisha Stevens, Rusti Utterback, Andrea McClintlc, Cherry Crawford and David Wendland. Row 3: Carrie Maxwell, A.J. Larabee, Kendall Christensen, Diana Ahrens, Allen Breinig, Ryan Collins, Jonathon Hendricks, Terry Smith, Kevin Broughton and Anthony Chapman.



Row 1 (1 to r): Kasi Dawson, Gwen Rhinehart, Brent Carlson, Aleesha Huxoll, Dale Foster, Nicole Chambers, Suzanne Martin, Quinn Martin and Clayton John. Row 2: Amanda Butter, Jessica Nutsch, Beth Stock, Lindsey Peterman, Scott Taylor, Stephen Hendricks, Dallas Christensen, Cole Walbridge, Paige Breinig and Elliot Hoefs. Row 3: Adam Lambert, Mandy Helms, Shawna Fisher, Brad Brathwait, Jillian Tangeman, Nichole McCoy, Misty Curran, Joni Hinz, Andy Manley and Jeff Matteson. Row 4: Kristen Warner, Jon Steinbrink, Josh Ervin, Jon Urbom, Anthony Fisher, Chase Crawford, Joe Lange, Shannon Collins and Dallas Helms.

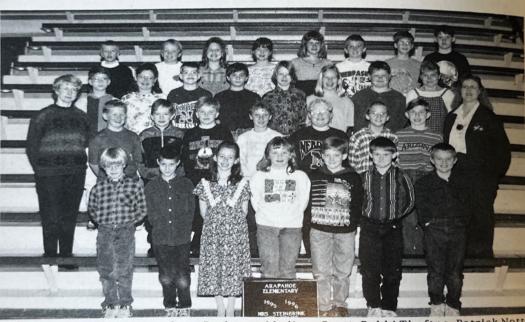


Row 1 (1 to r): Alex Schutz, Melissa Paine, Matt Kruger, Amanda Remsburg, Nicole Schrock, Sonya Bachman, Kelsey Middagh and Allison Peterson. Row 2: Jason Swenson, Kyle Helms, Chance Blickenstaff, Jon Barnes, Melissa Olivio, Andrew Borden, Talisa Pruitt, Dale Davis, Nick Otte and Sam Yeager. Row 3: Sarah Monter, Kayla Dawson, Melissa Powers, Christopher Harmon, Ben Sander, Jordan Crawford, Carlos Olivio and Molly Helms. Not pictured is (home room teacher) Christine Snyder,



Row 1 (1 to r): Jay Weber, Lee Juhl, Matthew Hjort, Kevin Rhinehart, Wesley Cookson, Jessica Smith, Katie Stoye and Desiree Martin. Row 2: Jon Carter, Chris Lange, Thomas Utterback, Scott Leising, Tyler Haussler, Ashley Shearer, Donald Hjort, John Schlater and T.J. Moore. Row 3: Amy Wendland, Craig Lange, Sean Fritz, Wendali hoefs, Daniel Morse, Adam Peterman, Heather McCoy and Erica Fish. Not pictured are (homeroom teachers) George Probasco and Daren Hatch.

### GRADE4



Row 1 (1 to r): Chris Kruger, Scott Bachman, Madison Scott, Bobbi Thoftne, Patrick Nott, Dustin Hockemeir and Virgil Baxter. Row 2: Geri Steinbrink (teacher), Scott Rhinehart, Brett Burton, Sam Gillen, Katie Chambers, Seneca Huxoll, Nicole Maaske, Dustin Devries and Sue Helms (teacher). Row 3: Derek Walbridge, Laura Clymer, Craig Huxoll, Jon Kreutzer, Brandon Davis, Christina Sander, Kyle Lange and Tiffany Meyers. Row 4: Travis Beck, Brandon Yeager, Elizabeth Christensen, Miranda Anderson, Kim Pfeiffer, Colby Carpenter, Brad Matteson and Justin Spaulding. Not pictured are Tiffany Ackerman and Michael Valenzuela.



Row 1 (1 to r): Shari Mues (teacher), Erica Beguin, John Baxter, Angela Dawson, Jennifer Kreutzer, Sonya Schrock, Brandi Rasmussen and Katle Adams. Row 2: Kelsey Ervin, Jesse Carter, Cory Helms, Amber Simmons, Connie Heinen, Michel Deoss, Janelle Fritz and Heather Shelton. Row 3: Kayla Hinz, Jason Warner, Kody Metzger, Michael Cacy, Andy Lange, Brian Foster, Teresa Dixon and Phillip Mues.



Row 1 (Itor): Tyler Brakhahn, Stephanie Leising, Hollie Thomas, Sam Cookson, Joshua Beck, Justin Schultz, Tiffany Moore, Julie Wendland, David Blumenthal and Megan Gardener. Row 2: Stephanie Stineman (teacher), Casey Helnen, Marki Sander, James Lange, Tony Braithwait, Sarah Snyder, Lindsey DeVries, Jonathan Stoye, Ashley Widener and Joe Davis. Row 3: Kelsey Matteson, Dalton Helms, Abbey Breinig, Jessica Yeager, Ciera Welch, Tyson Moore, Pat Ackerman, Blake Anderson and Blake Maaske. Not pictured is Cody Engle.



Row 1 (1 to r): Tori Haussler, Maggie Rudolph, Kristyne Huxoll, Rebecca Swensen, Lauren Warner, Sarah Lange, James Dixon, Amanda Huxoll and Zach Henry. Row 2: Whitney Bergman, Alyssa Dickmeyer, Garrett Tracy, Tyler Hammel, Adam Borden, Jessica Kent, Kayla Vaugn, Jared Jenkins and Pierce Scott. Row 3: Mary Lo Weber (aid), Andrew Isom, Rachel Thompson, Buddy Stonerook, Wesley Beguin, Justin Robertson, Sarah Urbom, Levi Langie, Drew Ten Bensel, and Ann Collins (Teacher). Not pictured are John and Aaron Gillette.

#### KINDERGARTEN A.M.



Row 1 (lto r): Megan Wallgren, Brittany Cramer, Erika Dawson, Amanda Schutz, and Hope Scott. Row 2: Aaron McCoy, Shane Mullen, Brian Downey, Emilee Fish, and Morgan Breinig. Not pictured is Karen Custer (teacher).

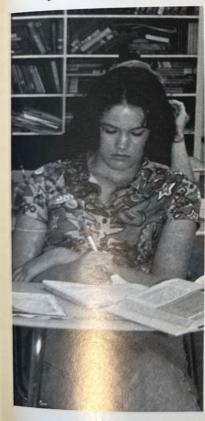
#### KINDERGARTEN P.M.



Row 1 (1 to r): Ashley Moore, Jessica Stagemeyer, Courtney Amundson and Lynette Schriner. Row 2: Hawk Ellis, Jordan Spaulding, Adam Snyder, Ethan Jenkins and Justin Carter. not Pictured are Cheryl Bralthwait and Karen Custer (teacher).

## Part of the second seco

The lounge provides a good place to study for AndrewThompson, Joe Lambert, and Jeremy Kroemer.



Jennifer class time ing done.

ollins uses et her study-



Jon Haussler uses the computer to complete many of his assignments.

#### Academics

Often times teachers must wonder if students really do study. According to this poll they do, and here are their reasons why.

- 10. I want to graduate
- 9. To stay on honor roll
- 8. Chics think you're smart
- 7. To keep my parents off my back
- 6. To be able to play sports
- 5. So I don't freak out on a test
- 4. There's nothing on T.V.
- 3. I want those little gold stars teachers give out
- 2. There's nothing to do in Arapahoe on a Saturday night
- Studying makes the teachers smile

#### Students Hit the Books

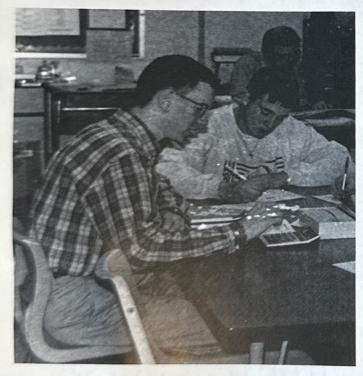
What do ACT's, SAT's, scholarships, college prep classes, and college tours have in common?

Yes, they all deal with preparing oneself for the coupon of "The Real Life," better known as a diploma. Getting ready for college isn't always a Sunday picnic, but it makes staying up late at night studying for a Physics test is completely worhthwhile.

Preparing for college isn't only for the senior bracing himself for further education. College prep can begin when one is as young as a freshman. One's class schedule, study habits and willingness to be active are a few characteristics that determine whether one's life will hand him sweet peaches or sour lemons.



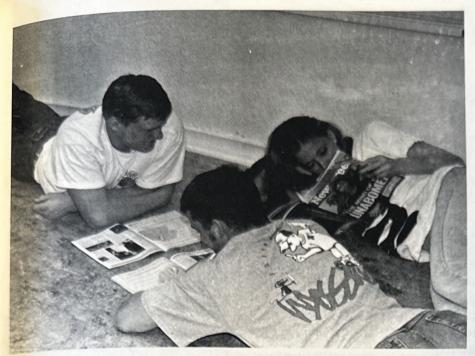
Above: Jesse Johannsen and Carolyn Warner type their term paper.



Joel Schutz and Matt Harmon work diligently to complete their homework.



Mike Stock, Pat Bachman and Glenn Thomas experiment with the laser.



Keith Maaske, Katie Swanson and Matt Harmon discuss the NEWSWEEK for American Government.



Nick Collins studies in Freshman English.



Jim Piper, Ashley Mues, Robyn Burton, Joe Lambert and Sarah Lammel conduct an experiment in Physics.

College Prep 25

From sculpting pottery to learning business. .

#### Diverse Learning Proves Helpful for Students

The sound of a buzz sawr the blare of a horn are common noises one might hear when walking throught the halls of Arapahoe school. Students have found that the educatiuon received within and around the corridors of AHS is as diverse as the students themselves.

The student body is lucky enough to be provided with a wide selection of hands on courses. The curriculum here offers everything from art to vocal classes. It is through this type of education students can truly learn

to appreciate arithmetic and English.

In the award winning film Mr. Holland's Opus, Mr. Opus responds to the recent budget cut made to the the fine arts program by saying that without theatre, music, arts and crafts students will find no need for math or reading.

Luckily enough, the members of the student body, teachers, and the supporting staff know just how valuable the hands on courses really are, proving just how diverse education is at AHS.



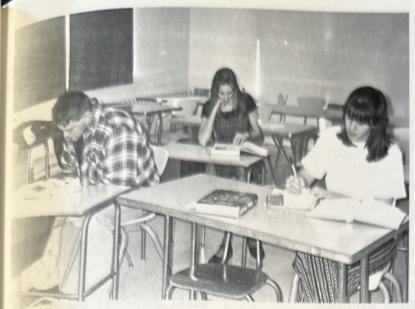
Nate Hilker prepares speech for speech contest was involved in Speech Drama class as well as a me ber of the Speech team.



Math teacher Traci Elwood, Katie Swanson, and Robyn Burton work dilegently on the computers.



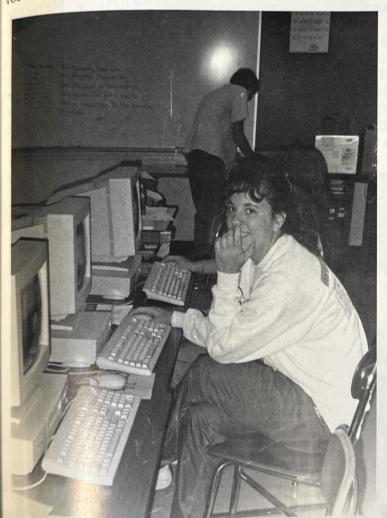
Jim Piper Mike Monter and Heather Wendland get a break from learning about agriculture



Bobby King, Kristi Hinz, and Kristi Carnes prepare for other classes during some free time in biology.

Below: Joanna Smith sketches in details during art class.





Ashley Mu to use. Ha Ha

is busy picking out what computer program



Erin Urbom, Tiffany Taylor, Tara Jackson, and Angie Thomas work hard on a piece in band.

#### Six qualify for state... Six qualify for state... Speech Team Pushes to the Limit came out with a sixth extemporare extemporare. came out with a sixth place in work well with each other and extemporaneous speaking. The Cozad manuscriptions

And she's off with a fast intro telling us about...Yes, It looks like the judges like her technique! She'll be visibly winded after this great effort. She's been training hard for this event all season. Look at her concentrative effort in presenting her. . . speech?

Yes it's true. Speech members have taken on a new mentality. It has become a fierce head-to-head battle. The feeling of accomplishment and the intensity of competition is as evident in speech as it is on the court or mat.

At the district competition the speech team placed three in the top five contenders. Keith Broughton and Scott Avara placed fourth and fifth, respectively in Hu-Jami Prose. morous Schievelbein also narrowly missed state qualifying by placing third in Extemporaneous Speaking. Capping off a great day the Oral Interpretation of Drama (OID) members and the Duet Acting group won first in those categories sending a total of six people to state, proving once more AHS students love to win.

Members of the OID included Katie group Swanson, Sarah Lammel, Nathan Hilker and Lindsay Collins. Collins was also Joanna Smith's partner in the duet group.

Although the members failed to place at state, the experience and comradeship made the trip worthwhile,

"State speech is a great experience because it truly is a team activity. You have to react to each other. It's not very different from a lot of sports," commented four year member team Collins.

Earlier meets this year included RVL which was held at Arapahoe and the Cozad Many team members found their hard work very satisfying as they placed high in their events.

Denise Pfeiffer did a commendable job in the Serious Prose category when she placed first in her division at RVL. Joanna Smith came out in second place with her informative presentation. The OID placed third along with the duet. Jennifer Breinig got fifth in poetry and informative while Nathan Hilker

The Cozad meet was the team because unique for the team because was unique ded a novice divisi unique los included a novice division first year speech Here first year speech men could compete again bers could compete against other. Nathan Hill bers could leach other. Nathan Hilker cach other. Nathan Hilker and Nick Collins placed forth in the novice category of due

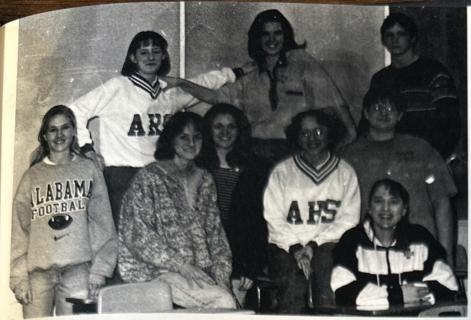
Although not all the team members placed, they contributed a lot of time, effor and ideas. Those members in cluded Courtney McNulty Grant Walbridge, Ashley Mues, Patrick Bachman Michelle Peterson, and Nicole Paine.

Together as a team speech members were able to build lasting friendships and push each other to the limits



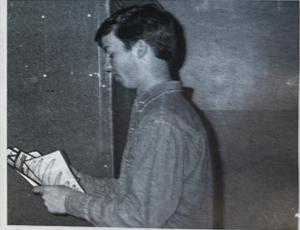
State Speech qualifiers inlcude (1 to r): Jami Nathan Hilker, Lindsay Collins, Joanna Swanson, and Sarah Lammel.

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Left: RVL top finishers ham it up for the camera Row 1(1 to r): Sarah Lammel, Jami Schievelbein, Joanna Smith, coach Kristi Blickenstaff, and Denise Pfeiffer. Row 2: Jennifer Breinig, Lindsay Collins, and Nathan Hilker. Below: Jennifer Breinig gives a nervous smile as she prepares for RVL competition.





Above: Scott Avara becomes "Forrest Gump" as he delivers an exerpt from the book.

Left: Denise Pfeiffer delivers the serious prose speech that earned her a first place finish at RVL.



### The Yearbook. . . Is It Worth the Wait?

"The yearbook is here!"
This is a familiar cry that is heard each August as soon as the yearbooks arrive. It seems to help students ease into school by looking through a book of memories from the previous year.

This year's eight member staff, including the first male staff member in years, began the year by sorting through old photographs and tearing down old yearbook layout sheets from years ago. Newswriting fundamentals were covered before a new volume of the school paper was started. It was named The Sundance.

Each journalist was then given a ladder marked with the pages they were responsible for in the yearbook. For each of these, they wrote copy, printed pictures, wrote captions, obtained quotes, and put it all together on the computer before printing it and doing layouts.

Another side is the cost of the yearbook. To cover some of the cost, the staff sells ads to downtown businesses. The expenses are also cut by deals from Walsworth company, where the book is published, and the rest is covered by the students buying a copy.

Nobody may understand how much work this yearbook is, but if someone really wants to know...ask a member of the staff. They know best!



Pam Breinig is the instructor for the journalism staff She has been teaching journalism for 16 years at AHS.



Ashley Mues fishes for a yearbook layout sheet.



The 1995-96 publication staff is editors Molly McNulty and Katie Swanson located on stairs along with Case, Sander, Ashley Mues, Nicole Paine, Jam Schievelbein, Andrea Larabee, and Mike Stock.

#### Students Use Brains Over Brawn...



Members of the first place Academic Bowl Team at Amherst are Row 1 (1 to r): Denise Pfeiffer, Katie Swanson, Ashley Mues, and Megan McClintic. Row 2: Reid Burton, Nate Hilker, and Keith Broughton.



Students Robyn Burton, Megan McClintic, Joe Lambert and Sarah Lammel find that academic courses provide solid background material for use in quiz bowl and inter-high day competition.

### Students Combine Efforts to Win Academic Competitions

Intelligent thinking, teamwork, and quick hands were proven to be useful tools for the academic team.

Stephanie Martin, Katie Swanson, Ashley Mues, Burton, Molly Robyn McNulty, Megan McClintic, Lammel, Keith Sarah Broughton, Jeremy Kroemer, Denise Pfeiffer, Joanna Smith, Reid Burton, and Nate Hilker were members of this year's team. Six members were chosen for each meet and the others were alternates.

They put their heads together to place second at the Arapahoe Quiz Bowl, and take a championship win at the Amherst Quiz Bowl. Other meets they attended were the Cambridge Quiz Bowl and the Holdrege ESU Bowl.

Two students brought home gold medals from the McCook Community College Inter-High Day competition.

Kendall Christensen tied for 5th place in Algebra I, Dustyn John won the General Math competition, Joanna Smith placed first in Home Economics I, and Molly McNulty tied for 5th in Home Economics II.

#### AHS Hosts RVL Clinic

#### Choir Earns Superior Ratings

Although the choir had the privilege of hosting the RVL clinic in January, the year had started long before that.

Fall brought preformances at Homecoming and All-State try-outs. The musical dominated much of the class time, too. Director Brenda Lambert brought with her a new set of expectations that the choir adopted as its own. This proved valuable when District competition came around. The mixed choir received an over-all rating of II. Many small small groups received superior ratings, and the girls' glee had a sweep of superior ratings to receive a plaque.

As the year wound down, the choir sang at the Fine Arts/ Pop Concert where the seniors were recognized.



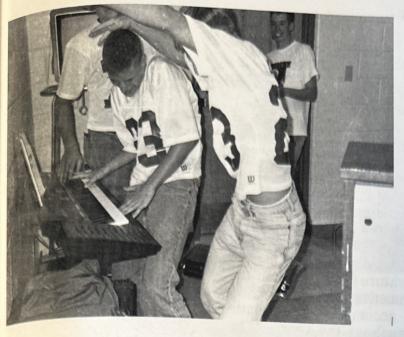
Larry Monson of Doane Co lege presents a lecture during the RVL vocal clinic.



Junior Jennifer Breinig, sophomore Jenny Hilker and freshman Sonresa Powers relax after competing for districts.



Choir members are Row 1: (1 to r ) Director Brend Lambert, Andrea Larabee, Ashley Mues, Cha Bergman, Ross Collins, Joe Lambert, Joey Sonkse Joel McCoy, Carrie Wendland, Jennifer Breink ROW 2: Heather Rhinehart, Sonresa Powers, Keit Maaske, Keith Broughton, J.R. Utterback, Vaugh King, Scott Avara, Courtney McNulty, Nicole Paink Katie Swanson, Kristi Hinz, Angela Braithwait, Bri Urbom, ROW 3: Denise Pfeiffer, Dawn Breink Megan Wilcox, Joanna Smith, Natasha Fisher, Jehnifer Collins, Sarah Lammel, Tiffany Taylor, Kolnifer Collins, Sarah Lammel, Tiffany Taylor, Kolnifer Constant Research and Angie Thomas.



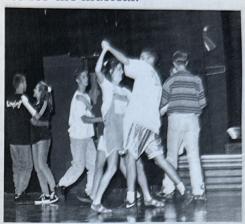


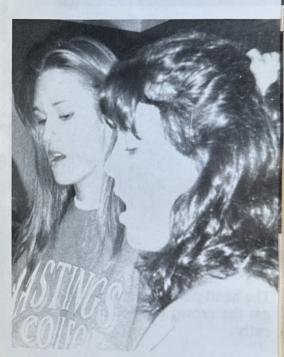
Above: Ashley Mues and Alex Sommerfeld receive All-State honors. Joe Lambert received All-State band honors.



LEFT: Ross Collins and Jeremy Clouse break it down in choir!

BELOW: Members of the *Calamity Jane* cast show off their dancing ablility. Some class periods were devoted to practice for the musical.





ABOVE: Natasha Fisher and Ashley Mues concentrate on hitting the right note.

LEFT: Waiting to perfrom at RVL clinic, Vocal Instuctor Brenda Lambert addresses the audiences.

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Band Gains Superior at Districts...

#### Hard Work and Discipline Provide Winning Edge

The 26 Warrior instrumental members participated in activities ranging from the Edison Market Days Parade to hosting the RVL Band Clinic.

Under the direction of James Brewer, the students have used hard work and discipline to their advantage. They received a Superior rating at the annual district music contest in McCook.

Other groups perform-

ing at contests included a Clarinet Choir which received a II rating, a Flute Duet, II: a Saxophone Quintet, I; and Joe Lambert's baritone solo, I+.

"The band worked hard and tackled a lot of difficult literature for the RVL clinic," commented Mr. Brewer on the accomplishments made throughout the year. "The band also pulled together in the end, to do their best at contests."



Andrea Larabee files away music. This is one of her many jobs as a band aide.



The band plays a couple of tunes to get the crowd pepped up for pep rally.



Members of the band are ROW 1: Carolyn Warner, Erin Urbom, Tiffany Taylor, Tara Jackson, Megan Long Jennifer Avara, Angie Thomas and Tiffany Maxwell. ROW 2: Molly McNulty, Natasha Fisher, Courtney McNulty, Grant Walbridge, Melissa Courtney McNulty, Grant Walbridge, Melissa Swenson, Andrea Tracy, Jessica Hjort, Andrea Chambers, Jodi Peterman and Megan Wilcox. ROW 3: bers, Jodi Peterman and Megan Wilcox. Allen Blake, Joe Lambert, Kiley Stoye, Vaught Allen Blake, Joe Lambert, Kiley Stoye, Vaught King, Nate Hilker, Dawn Breinig, Scott Avara, Zach Nott and Director James Brewer.



The members of the band play at half time of boys' District Finals.



The band puts a finishing touch on the pep rally with the fight song.

The band participants leave the pep rally as they prepare to send the volleyball team to state.





The band runs through one of their daily practices.

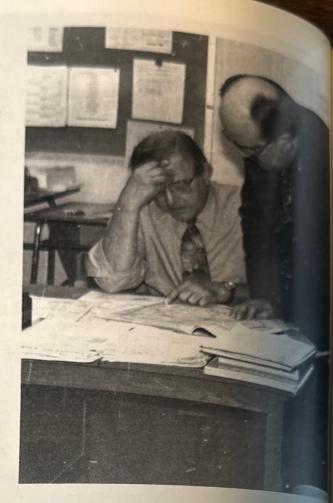
# .....en Espan^ol

lestudio de la lengua de espan^ol se hace ma's importante aqui' en el estado de Nebraska. Ahora hay muchas ma's personas que' hablan espan^ol y por eso el espan^ol va a ser ma's que' una lengua extranjera va a ser una lengua de necesidad.

A causa de los hispanoamericanos que' llegan todos los dias en Nebraska para buscar el empleo se hacen un nuevo aspecto al estudio del espan^ol y al estudio de aprender lo ma's posible de la cultura del mundo hispano.

La cultura del mundo hispanohablante es muy diverso y tambie'n es muy rica y es algo que' es necesario de comprender en el estudio de la lengua espan^ol. Los Estudiantes ya tienen que' estudiar una lengua segudaria un mini'mo de dos an^os para entrar en la Universidad de Nebraska en Lincoln o en Kearney.

Ma's o menos es posible decir que' no hay duda que' el espan^ol va a ser muy importante y valioso al estudiante en el futuro.



Mr. Martin and Mr. Blake attempt to find Guatalajara on the map.

# ..in English

Spanish is becoming a more dominant part of our society. Thus, a demand is being put on college graduates who have a Spanich language background. Most colleges are requiring at least one year of foreign language for admission, and the same is true for graduation requirements in many high schools.

Steve Martin, the foreign language instructor, developed the classes so that they focus

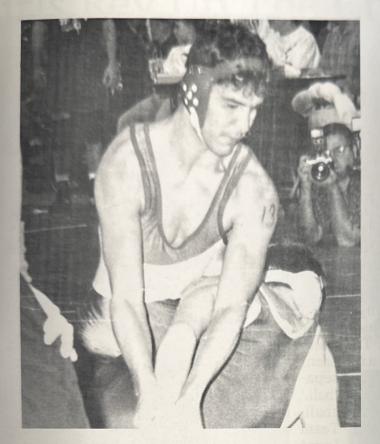
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panish is becoming a more dominant part of our society. Thus, a demand is ing put on college guage.

"Learning the hispanic culture can be very important in learning the Spanish language," commented Mr. Martin, "with the increasing number of Spanish speaking people coming to this state, being able to speak and understand the language is going to be a very valuable skill."



Sarah Lammel takes a short break from her Spanish translations.



Jeremy Hardenbrook was a consistent placer throughout the wrestling season.



Jon Haussler received All-Conference honors for his successfull basketball season.



Molly McNulty and Katie Swanson slap hands after an ace serve in volleyball.

# **Sports**

Sports are always popular events at AHS. In this top ten list students give their reasons for their participation.

- 10. Team experience
- 9. It keeps me in shape
- 8. Contact
- 7. Stress reliever
- 6. School pride
- 5. Mental toughness
- **4.** I like competition
- 3. Playing to win
- 2. The excitement of a close game

I like the competition and a challenge

## Three Squads Ignite School Spirit

From uniforms Larry to sponsors, every- helped as well. It was thing about the left up to the cheercheerleading squad leaders to find somewas new.

The new uniforms consisted of a raise, organize pep skirt, shell, sweatshirt, windpants, coat, and bodysuit as well as cheerleading squad shoes, a pillow, and pom pons. Uniforms were decided on immediately after tryouts by the way with three sepacheerleaders and their parents. ordered through Varsitv.

The new sponsors were Jeffand Sue Molly McNulty, and

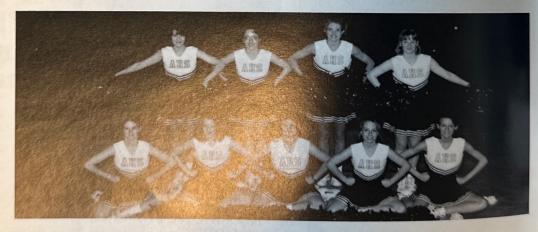
Lambert one to drive them places, help them fund ralllies, etc.

The Holdredge served as judges for the tryouts. The squad was split in a different rate squads: football/ They were volleyball, basketball, and wrestling. Team captains were Jami Schievelbein. Principal Megan McClintic.



Molly McNulty and Joanna Smith lead the crowd in a cheer at a time out.

"Cheerleading has been great this year. It has boosted our school spirit and given a lot of girls an opportunity to be in front of a crowd and gain some confidence. We hope it will continue to grow to new heights," reflected Megan McClintic.



Members of the Arapahoe Cheerleading Squads are Row 1 (1 to r): Angie Thomas, Lyndzie Clouse, Sonresa Powers, Megan McClintic, Jami Schievelbein. Row 2: Andrea Tracy, Joanna Smith, Molly McNulty, Jennifer Breinig.

# Girls Rev Up The Crowd



Left: The basketball cheerleaders Molly McNulty, Joanna Smith, Andrea Tracy and Jennifer Breinig show their stuff on the sidelines. Below: Megan McClintic, Jami Schievelbein, Sonresa Powersand Lyndzie Clouse huddle around their favorite wrestling referee.



Megan McClintic and Molly McNulty lead the wrestlers through a series of games to pep them up for the state meet.





The volleyball team is revved up by the Football/Volleyball Cheerleaders .

Right: Jami Schievelbein is cheered on by her Junior High teammates.

# Cross Country Team Burns Up the Course

The cross coun-

course on Friday, Octo-ning a medal. ber 20.

from meet to meet.

A new lettering try season ended in policy was incorporated, success as Jami replacing the previous Schievelbein quali- policy's standards that refied for the state com- quired an athlete to medal petition, and all team in at least one meet. The members earned a let- new policy required a runner to improve his/ The state com- her time by a certain petition was held in percentage from a pre-Kearney at the golf vious best time or by win-

Throughout the The team com- season, an average pracpeted in numerous tice consisted of stretchmeets, many against ing, warm-ups, a five classes A and B schools mile jog, lifting weights, because there aren't and stretching again. enough class C and D Coach Collins followed his schools to enable a usual routine of alternatvariety of competition ing a hard practice and the next day a light practice.



"The cross country runners were all very close and supportive of each other like a team should be," recalled Jennifer Breinig.

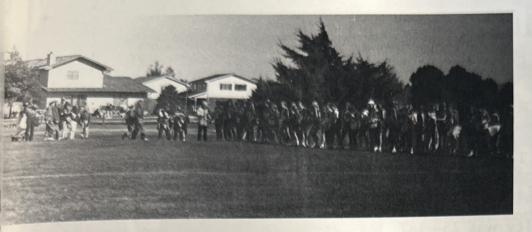


## Scoreboard

Meet Girls'; Boys' Placings 12;12 Gothenburg Dundy County (RVL) 2;2 8:11 Kearney 8:9 Ravenna 7:9 Broken Bow 4:4 Lexington 11;12 Cozad 3:3 **Dundy County** 

The cross country team is Row 1 (1 to r): Jesse Johansen, Jessica Piper, Julie Kennicutt, Lona Smith, Jessica Hjort, Nick Sommerfeld, Row 2: Alex Samuelle, Jessica Hjort, Nick Sommerfeld, Row 2: Alex Sommerfeld, Jami Schievelbein, Joanna Smith, Jennifer Breinig, Jon Haussler. Row 3: Coach Charles Collins, Zack Nott, Joe Lambert.

# Running Proves Rewarding



Left: Cross Country runners from numerous towns line up at the starting line.

Below: The crowd mills around the golf course at one of many meets.







Left: Julie Kennicuttruns a fast finish to the end of the course. Above: Jami Schievelbein races to the finish at the Kearney Cross Country meet.

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# Lady Warriors Set History

The Lady Warriors gave students, the season at 11-12. supporters and fantastheir first ever state

the State Tournament Collins was 338-405 by defeating the with 134 kills and 99 Bertrand Vikings. The blocks. Collins was se-Warriors journeyed to lected to the All- Con-Lincoln where they ference First Team, and were defeated by the Sarah Lammel retop-ranked Chappell, 15-6, 15-9.

They completed

For the year, Tiftic fans a reason to take fany Taylor topped a trip to Lincoln when the serving charts with they set history with 155-173, and 11 ace Molly serves. McNulty was 254-387 The Warriors setting with 97 assists. earned their spot in Attacking, Jennifer team, ceived Honorable Men-



RVL All Conference Team member Jennifer Collins delivers a kill for the Warriors.

really "We pulled together as a team and as a family, this made us truly successful," said Lindsay Collins.

"It was a very rewarding season and I'm glad I was able to be a part of it."



Senior volleyball team members include: Casey Sander, Ashley Mues, Lindsay Collins, Molly McNulty and Katie Swanson.

## SCOREBOARD

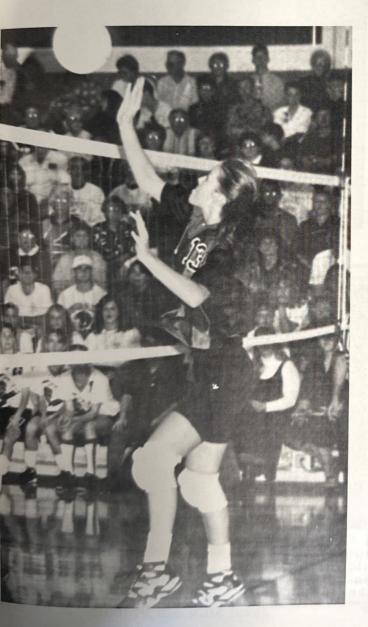
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## Volleyball



Lady Warriors Katie Swanson, Molly McNulty, Tiffany Taylor, Ashley Mues, Jennifer Collins, and Natasha Fisher regain their composure as they wait for the

referee to signal the end of the match.





Above: AHS team members are overcome with joy as they take the D-1 District title.



AHS Volleyball team members include Row 1 (1 to r): Nicole Paine, Megan McClintic, Angela Braithwait, Sarah Lammel, Casey Sander, Ashley Mues, Katie Swanson, Molly McNulty, Lindsay Collins, Jennifer Collins, Natasha Fisher, and Tiffany Taylor. Row 2: Katie Smith, Kelly Pfeiffer, Misty Hill, Carrie Wendland, Kristi Carnes, Erin Urbom, Denise Pfeiffer, Kristi Hinz, Courtney McNulty, Sonresa Powers, Lyndzie Clouse, and Kiley Stoye. Row 3: Coach Betty Bricker, Heather Rhinehart (student manager), and Assistant Coach Ann Collins.

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Right: Jared Hemelstrand and Justin Crawford leap for a pass.

## Football Team Polishes Off Season with Pride

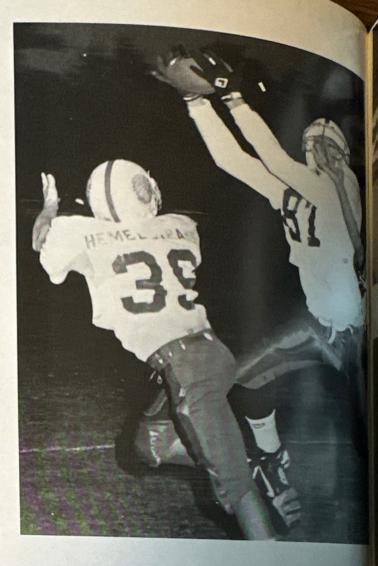
Nearly one-fourth of the football team was led by seniors, which seems good reason for several seniors to polish off their final season with top honors.

Cody Hill and Craig Hilker, four year letter winners at AHS, completed the year being selected to the Republican Valley League's highest honor, All-Conference. Hill was also recognized in the region by receiving All-Region in the McCook Gazette and 2nd team All-Region in the Kearney Hub. Hill gained respect at the state level as well by being selected as Honorable Mention All-State.

Junior Jeremy Soncksen was also awarded with Honorable Mention All-Conference.

Unfortunately the scoreboard doesn't always reflect the determination, pride, and desire within the hearts of the players. The team demonstrated true character on and off the field even though the outcome wasn't always a winning one.

Senior Matt Harmon summed up the season by adding, "We stuck together and we didn't give up, even when the season wasn't going our way. We always let the other team know we were there to play football."



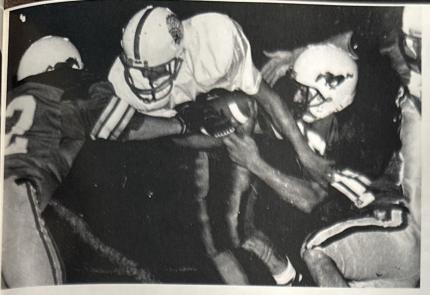
"Even though we were 0-8, we always worked as hard as we could to play everyone like we were 8-0," said senior Glenn Thomas.



Senior football players are Row 1 (1 to r): Head Coach Charles Isom, Matt Harmon, Joey Soncksen, Cody Hill, Assistant Coach Jeff Spaulding. Row 2: Glenn Thomas, Craig Hilker, Justin Crawford, Jared Hemelstrand, and Keith Maaske.

## Scoreboard

W	e <u>Th</u>	ey
0	Sutherland	59
6	Alma	8
6	Dundy County	24
0	Bertrand	36
0	Southern Valle	y 30
8	Rep. Valley	14
6	Cambridge	71
(p	lay-offs) Cambridge	60



Left: Jeremy Hardenbrook breaks through defenders for some tough yards. Below: Jeremy Clouse makes a tackle.



Senior Cody Hill makes a carry. Hill gained many honors during season play in the conference as well as at the state level.





AHS football team members include Row 1 (1 to r): Grant Walbridge, James Larson, Jeff Larson, Nick Collins, Mike Thomas, Jeff Harmon, Jamie Wendland, Mike Monter, Andy Thomas, and Jon Crawford. Row 2: Scott Avara, Chad Bergman, Brent Christensen, Jeremy Kroemer, Ross Collins, Jeremy Clouse, Jeremy Soncksen, Joel McCoy, Jeremy Hardernbrook, Andrew Thompson, J.R. Utterback, Roger Maxwell, and student manager Christopher Harmon. Row 3: Student manager Justin Spaulding, Assistant coach Jeff Spaulding, Joey Soncksen, Glenn Thomas, Cody Hill, Craig Hilker, Justin Crawford, Keith Maaske, Jared Hemelstrand, Raymond Chambers, student manager Andrew Isom and Head Coach Charles Isom.

# Lady Warriors Make First Trek to State

The Lady Warriors made their first ever showing at the state tournament to carry on the tradition of state competition.

The Lady Warriors finished 10-10 on the season. Highlights included beating Eustis-Farnum and Medicine Valley for the Sub-District title. At the state tournament the Lady Warriors lost a close game to two-time state runner up Litchfield, 59-52.

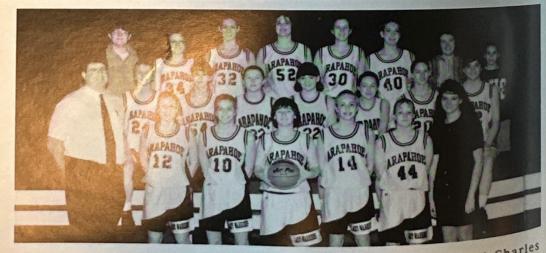
"Going to state for the second time this year was a great feeling, and it is something that the girls' program has been trying to do for a long time. I am really glad I was part of the team that went," said senior KatieSwanson

Many players captured individual honors. Sarah Lammel and Jennifer Collins were voted to the RVL All-Conference Team. The Kearney Hub selected Collins to its fourth team while Lammel and Natasha Fisher received Hon-Mention. Collins also earned a spot on the McCook Gazetteland second team, and she and Lammel were chosen for Omaha World Herald Honorable Mention positions.



Sarah Lammel hussles down court to catch her opponent.

"We're still laughing about Jennifer trying to can a trey from the volleyball line with 20 seconds left in the game, " said Sarah Lammel.

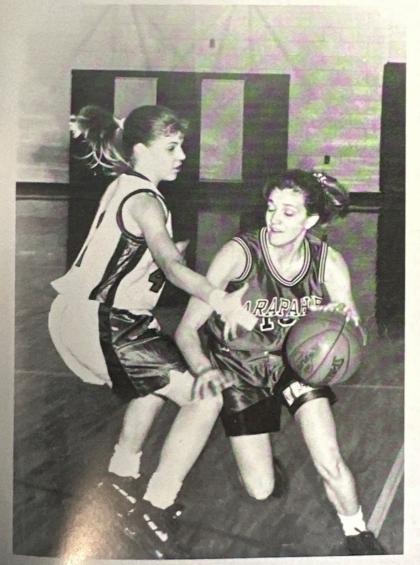


Members of the girls basketball team are Row 1 (1 to r): Head Coach Charles Isom, Sarah Lammel, Katie Swanson, Mandy Wendland, Tiffany Taylor, Misty Hill, and Assistant Coach Traci Ellwood Row 2: Erin Urbom, Kristi Carnes, Courtney McNulty, Jenny Hilker, Kiley Stoye, Kristi Hinz, and Ashley Mues Row 3: Denise Pfeiffer, Angela Braithwait, Natasha Fisher, Jennifer Collins, Lona Smith, Nicole Paine, student managers HeatherRHinehart, and MelissaPaine.

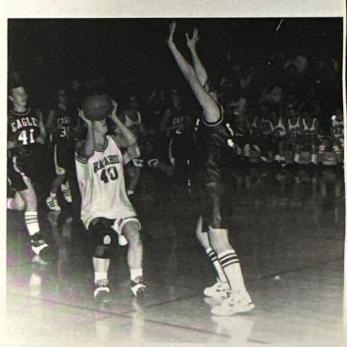


Left: Tiffany Taylor muscles her way through opponents.

Below: Nicole Paine comes to a hault on a fast break and prepares to make a play.



Ka wanson dribbles past her defense.



## Scoreboard

We	Team	They
42	Gibbon	55
50	Alma	33
34	SouthernValley	53
35	Rep.Valley	44
69	No.Valley, KS	49
46	Trenton	50
58	Amherst	75
56	Med.Valley	48
42	Culbertson	31
45	Elwood	19
34	Dundy County	41
36	Loomis	60
41	SouthernValley (RVL)	52
53	Bertrand	41
44	Cambridge	61
57	Wilcox	43
43	Eustis-Farnam(sub-district)	28
47	Med.Valley(sub-district)	37
46	Bertrand(districts)	33
52	Litchfield(state)	59

Warriors making strides off the court. . .

# Warriors Fall One Shot Short of State

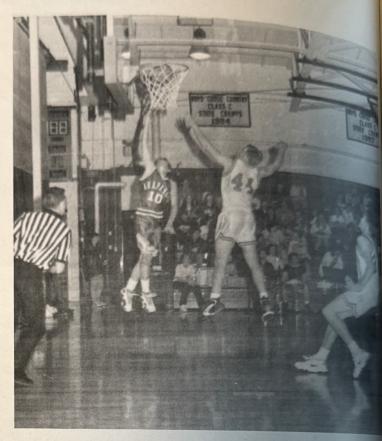
Warrior Boys' Basket- tion to end his high ball Team ended its sea- school career. son with an 11-9 record, it was a rewarding year Lambert and Jon for the team and sev- Haussler also earned eral members of the special honors. Both of team since many were these starters earned chosen for all confer- Honorable Mention ence, all-star and all- Academic positions on state teams.

fordearnedalotofrec-sen to the Honorable ognition as he was cho- Mention Team of the sen to play in the C.S.O. Republican Valley All-Star Game and the League. Kearney Hub All-Star Game. He walked away hopes of a state tournaawarded a spot to the ment berth ended in Republican Valley district finals where League All-Conference they fell to the Team and earned All- Bertrand Vikings.

Although the State Honorable Men-

Juniors the All-State Team. Justin Craw-Haussleralsowascho-

The Warriors'



Jon Haussler soars above the competition as lays the ball up for an easy two points.

"A lot of people doubted us but we just worded hard and proved everyone wrong," commented Justin Crawford.



AHS basketball team members are Row 1 (1 to r): Mike Monter, Zach Nott, Grant Walbridge, Nick Collins, Jon Crawford, and Jesse Johansen. Row 2: Joe Lambert, Jon Haussler, Chad Bergman, Reid Burton, Jamie Wendland, J.R. Utterback, Andrew Thompson, and Tony Braithwait. Row 3: Assistant Coach Daren Hatch, Provided in the Control of th 3: Assistant Coach Daren Hatch, Brent Christensen, Jeremy Kroemer, Joel Schutz, Justin Crawford, Ross Collins, Joel McCoy, and Head Coach Bob Braithwait Braithwait.



Justin Crawford, Joel Schutz, Jon Crawford, and various other team members get together to gather cans for the pantry. The team was rewarded for their efforts by omitting the dreaded RPM's from their practices.



Above: Joe Lambert plays tight defense on his man. Lambert set the standard in shooting this year hitting as many as seven three pointers in one game.



Coach Braithwait urges his team on during a time-out. He gained his 100th win this year and was honored by his team with a plaque.

## Scoreboard

Team	We	They
Wauneta-Palisade	60	74
Gibbon	51	43
Southern Valley	50	53
Rep Valley	55	47
Trenton	51	46
No. Valley, KS	62	47
Amherst	58	38
Med Valley	50	42
Culbertson	61	55
Elwood	54	56
Dundy County	50	61
Loomis	64	55
(RVL) So. Valley	49	60
Cambridge	44	56
Bertrand	39	62
Wilcox	62	30
Alma	60	69
Sub. Dist. Med. Valley	61	46
Sub. Dist. Maywood	53	51
Dist. Bertrand	42	65

## Wrestlers Battle to Gain State Runner-up Trophy

With 342 season wins, 192 of those which were pins, sending almost the entire varsity to state, and a slew of records shattered, the season proved to be nothing less than perfect for the Warrior matmen.

With a varsity wrestling team dominated almost entirely by seniors, victory was simply a sure thing.

Seven place trophies, two for second place, and a State Runner-Up Championship trophy were proof of the hard work, amazing effort and individual accomplishments.

Out of the 12 that

made the state trek, seven came home with medals. Jared Hemelstrandplaced Jared 2nd at 145 lbs. and Cody Hill was 3rd at 152 lbs. Placing 4th Jeremy Hardenbrook and Keith Maaske at the 135 lb. and 215 lb. weight classes, respectively. Craig Hilker and Jeremy Clouse both earned 5th at 140 lbs. and 189 lbs., respectively.

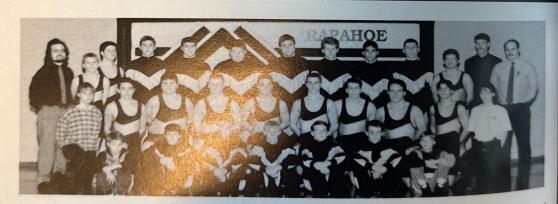
Jeremy Soncksen earneda 6th place finish in the 171 lb. class of wrestlers.

So in short, the team was a perfect 10, perfect



or as they would put it, Coach Barnes gives Jeremy Clouse some last 13. minute advice as he prepares to take the mat.

"We had a lot of kids out, and altough everyone didn't get to wrestle varsity, they committed themselves and helped out a lot in the practice room," commented Jeremy Hardenbrook. "Everyone stepped it up at Districts and State to end the season with a winning record."



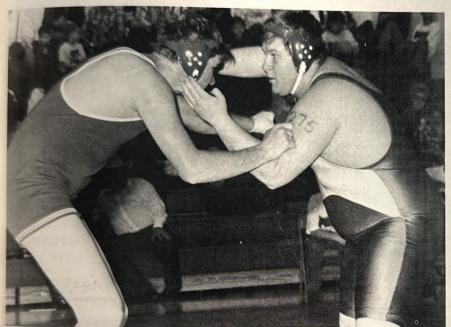
Warrior team members are Row 1 (1 to r): Craig Larabee (student manager), Pat Potter, Jeremy Clouse, Roger Maxwell, Jeff Larson, Cody Hill, and Jon Barnes(student manager). Row 2: Julie Kennicutt(stats), Jeff Harmon, Jason Raastad, Andy Thomas, Matt Harmon, Alan Blake, Jim Piper, Vaughn King, James DeBraal, and Jessica Piper(stats). Row 3: Coach Barnes, James Larson, Mike Stock, Joey Soncksen, Jeremy Soncksen, Glenn Thomas, Kelth Maaske, Craig Hilker, Jeremy Hardenbrook, Jared Hemelstrand, Mike Thomas, Coach Hilker, and Coach Spaulding.



Above: 12 AHS Wrestlers worked together to bring home the runner-up trophy from the State Meet.



Above: Jared Hemelstrand wrestles his way to 2nd place in the State Tournament.



Above: Glenn Thomas prepares to take down his opponent for two points in a varsity match.



Above: Keith Maaske receives his fourth place medal at State.



Cody Hill edges his way to another pin, otherwise known as "The Ultimate Win."

## SCOREBOARD

## Tournament Place

Mullen	2nd
Southern Valley	2nd
Elgin Pope John	1st
Amherst	1st
Gibbon	1st
RVL	1st
Arapahoe	1st
Loup City	1st
District	1st
State	2nd

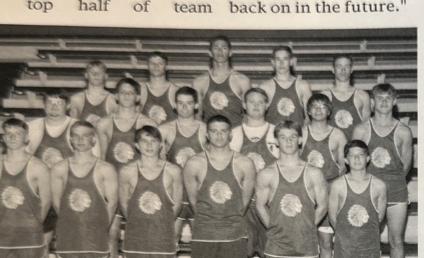
## Tracksters Strive to Attain Goals

tional meets, RVL Conference, and the state several times during meet to attend, the 41 excited tracksters worked hard to endure tough competition and achieve pre-set goals.

The main goal was to finish in the half of team

With six Invita- scoring at every meet. This was accomplished the year.

"The attitudes of the kids and how hard they competed the majority of the year,"stated Coach Charles Collins, "is what I'm going to look back on in the future."





ABOVE: Joe Lambert leaps into the long jump pit at the Don Stine Invitational.

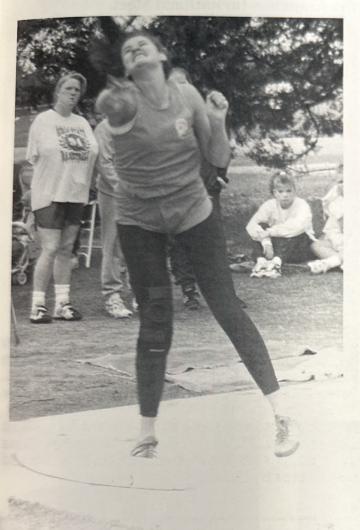
LEFT: The members of the Boys' Track Team are Row 1 (1 to r): Chad Bergman, Mike Monter, Jon Haussler, Brent Christensen Jeremy Clouse and Grant Walbridge. Row 2: Glenn Thomas, Zach Nott, Joe Lambert Joel McCoy, Jesse Johannsen and Raymond Chambers. ROW 3: Roger Maxwell, Ross Collins, Justin Crawford, Reid Burtonand J.R. Utterback.

"I like finishing the year out with track. Mr Collins always reminds me that all of my hard work will benefit the team. He makes track feel very rewarding," commented Katie Swanson.



The members of the Girls Track Teamure Row 1 (1 to r): Kelly Pfeiffer, Kiley Stoye, Courtney McNulty Srins Urbum, Fiffany Taylor and Misty Hill. Row 2: Jennifer Avara, Katia Smith, Jenny Hilker, Kristi Carnes, Kristi Hinz, Sarah Lammel and Heather Rhinghart, Row 3: Angela Braithwait, Molly McNulty, Danker Resident Row 3: Angela Braithwait, Molly McNulty, Danker Row 3: Angela Braithwait, Molly McNulty, Denise Pfeiffer Joshifer Chillus, Natasha Fisher and Katie Swanson.

## Five Participants Qualify for State



LEFT: Jennifer Collins powers the shot put into the ring. Collins was a consistent placer throughout the season. She recieved seventh place at the state meet and threw her personal best.

BELOW: The boys' 400 m. relay that ran at the state level consisted of J.R. Utterback, Joe Lambert, Brent Christensen and MIke Monter.



BELOW: Tiffany Taylor recieves the baton from Courtney McNulty during the 3200 m. relay.



Scoreboard				
Girls'		Boys'		
7th	Cambridge	9th		
8th	Dundy County	7th		
6th	Bertrand	10th		
6th	Elwood	9th		
6th	Arapahoe	6th		
3rd	Elm Creek	7th		
5th	RVL	6th		
6th	Districts	8th		

## Golf Team Qualifies Single Member to State

Under the new direction of Darrell Barnes, the golf team placed at least one individual at each meet.

The team traveled to nine meets including state. The team placements ranged between fourth and tenth throughout

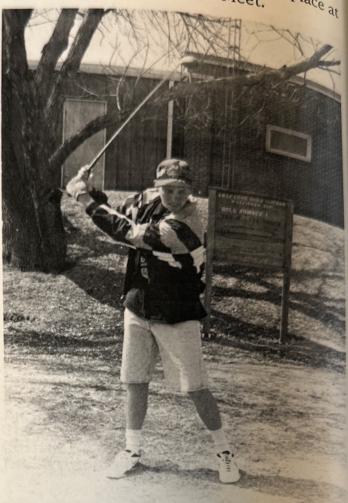
the season.

Andrew Thompson earned a trip to the state meet. The meet was held at Pionneer Golf Course in Lincoln. Thompson finished the season with 92 and 91 strokes.

## Team Standings

Cambridge	10th
Dundy County	4th
Arapahoe	6th
Alma	No team scores
RVL	6th
So. Valley	9th
Bertrand	5th
Districts	8th

Jeremy Kroemer shoots for fifth place at



"It was a learning experience for all that were involved with the golf program. With the entire team returning, we look forward to shooting lower scores next year and hopefully qualifying more players for the state tournament," said Coach Barnes.



Members of the Golf Team include Andy Thomas Darrell Barnes, Andrew Thompson, Allen Blace and Jeremy Kroemer.



Many A-Club members take an easy route down the homecoming parade.



One of Joel McCoy's and Chad Bergman's activities is entertaining the choir during class.



Jennifer Breinig keeps active by decorating for the Junior/Senior prom.

## Activities

This is a list of the most popular activities with reasons for student involvement.

- 10. Musical
- 9. A-Club
- 8. Student Council "To make student life better."
- 7. Academic Bowl "To prove our intellectual ability at fast food restaurants."
- 6. TIES "To help a younger child become more confident."
- 5. FFA "To enhance my parlimentary procedure skills."
- 4. Prom "I refuse to attend my junior prom decorated with hay bales."
- 3. Band/Vocal
- 2. Speech team
  "You meet the
  most interesting
  people at speech
  meets."

FHA
"It provides
valuable
leadership."

# Future Farmers of America . . . more than just Hayseeds

## Contest Winners Travel to State

Fund raisers and contests filled a prosperous year for the FFA Chapter.

The group started by sending many of their officers to a Leadership Camp named Colt. This took place during the summer. Also during the summer, the FFA members entered a float in the Prarie Pioneer Days Parade.

Throughout the year, the leisurely activities consisted of a Trail Ride and weiner roast at Irlee Stagemeyer's farm. The group also had a field day where they grilled hamburgers and listened to presentations by members and local farmers.

There were numerous oportunities to compete in ag-related contests. Some members competed in the county and State fairs during the summer but a majority of Ithe contests were held during the school year. These contests included the Leadership Contest, District Livestock Contest, District Livestock Contest, District Ag-Ed Contest, Range Judging

Contest, and State level contests for those who qualified.

The annual oyster fry is an excellent fund raiser which helps to pay for the groups' trips to state competitions, etc. The test plot received some publicity as seed companies used the results to advertise in radio commercials.

The group celebrated FFA week in many ways. A hall display and tractor safety program were provided for elementary students. State Vice President Jason Harb spoke to the chapter.

Members of the FFA chapter were President Joel Schutz. Vice President Justin Crawford, Secretary Julie Kennicutt, Treasurer Jeremy Soncksen, News Reporter Dustyn John, Sentinel Jessica Piper, Jim Piper, Cody Hill, Craig Hilker, Maaske, Lona Smith, Jennifer Avara, Jamie Wendland, Jessica Hjort, Melissa Swenson, and Jeree Stagemeyer.



Above: Joel Schutz and Cody Hill explain some tractor safety basics to the third grade class.

# SCHOOL AGRIC



Above: Julie Kennicutt and Dustyn John perform their demonstration in front of a crowd.



Left: Dan Kreutzer, Jim and Lynn Crosley, Steve and Lana Hilker, and State Vice President Jason Harb focus on the speaker as chapter awards are presented.



Left: Local chapter members are Row 1 (1 to r): Cody Hill, Jim Piper, Scott Avara, Dustyn John, Jennifer Avara, Jessica Piper, Melissa Swenson, Julie Kennicutt, Jessica Hjort, Mike Monter and Chad Bergman. Row 2: Stagemeyer, Jamie Wendland, Brent Christensen, Jeremy Soncksen, Justin Crawford, Joel Schutz, Keith Maaske, Craig Hilker, and visiting State Vice President Jason Harb.



Above: Due and Cody Hi at a fall agric

n John, Jamie Wendlend, how off their ribbons earned ural contest.



Above: Jennifer Avara, Joel Schutz, and Jim Piper receive awards from sponsor Irlee Stagemeyer.

## Membership Rise Brings Quality Competition

With 15 new members joining the organization, the chapter had good reason to celebrate.

Molly McNulty, Steph Martin, Chad Bergman, Joey Soncksen, Heather Wendland, Denise Pfeiffer, Joanna Smith, and Sherida Youngman attended cluster meetings in Albequerque in November. They met the national members and focused on current issues.

Later in the year members spent two afternoons cleaning the highway roadsides as part of thebi-annual litter pick-up.

The carnival, in-

cluding a cake walk, clowns and haunted house, was held on Febuary 8th.

Winner of November's District Search competition competed at the state level on Aprill second. Competitor in-Youngman, cluded Pfeiffer, Megan Long, Heather Rhinehart, Katie Smith, Kiley Stoye, Clouse, Lyndzie Jenny Hilker, Paula Christensen, Joanna Smith Courtney Mchonors, and Smith was state. voted State FCCLA Secretary office.



Nulty. Young man and Joanna Smith and Sherida Youngman Smith captured top gold present their speech that earned top goal honors, and Smith was state.



FHA members pose after attending cluster meetings in Albequerque.



Keith Broughton gives his balloon in generatise.



Katie Smith, Heather Rhinehart, and Megan Long give their demonstration.



Row 1 (1 to r): Denise Pfeiffer, Heather Rhinehart, Courtney McNulty, Sherida Youngman, Molly McNulty, Steph Martin, Heather Wendland, Andrea Larabee, Marilyn Martin(advisor). Row 2: Angie Thomas, Katie Smith, Lyndzie Clouse, Carrie Wendland, Kiley Stoye, Melissa Swenson, Jesse Johannsen, Mike Thomas, Megan Long, Kelly Pfeiffer, Joey Soncksen, Jared Hemelstrand, Lona Smith, Joanna Smith, Jenny Hilker, and Jon Crawford.



Chad Bergman and Joey Soncksen finally find a friend.



Freshman Kiley Stoye and Lyndzie Clouse share their speech at the Installation Ceremony



Joanna Smith and Jenny Hilker clown around at the FHA carnival.

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# A-Club Plans Events

Weight Room Stereo, Parade and Tournament Dominate Year

With Homecoming scheduled for the first week of school, the 50 plus member A-Club wasted no time getting into the the planning stages of the organization.

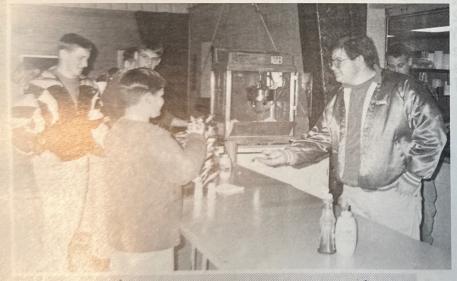
The organization, which is sponsored by all of the coaches, met early to gather the convertibles for the homecoming parade. Most of the seniors volunteered for the task of picking up the cars and preparing them for the afternoon parade.

In mid-February, the group set schedules for the annual Freshman-Sophomore Basketball Tournament. Junior and senior letter winners worked the tournament, completing every task from selling tickets to keeping books to sweeping the floors during the games.

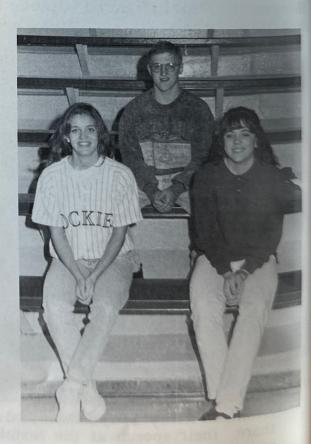
Moneyfrom this and previous tournaments was used to purchase a stereo for the weight room. It was in place by April.



Jeremy Clouse puts a C.D. into the new stereo purchased by the A-Club. The stereo provided a strong incentive for athletes to work out in the weight room.



Above Lettermen Chad Bergman, Jeremy Clouse, and Glenn Thomasaid Kyle Lange at the concession stand sponsored by the A-Club. Left: A-Club officers are Vice President Katie Swanson, President Joey Soncksen, and Secratary/Treasurer Ashley Mues.



# LABAMIOUTBALI

Sophomore and junior peer helpers include Row 1 (1 to r): Jennifer Collins, Joanna Smith and Sarah Lammel. Row 2: Angela Braithwait, Megan McClintic\* and Julie Kennicutt. Row 3: Joe Lambert, Chad Bergman and Joel McCoy. (\* denotes inactivity.) Not pictured is Reid Burton.

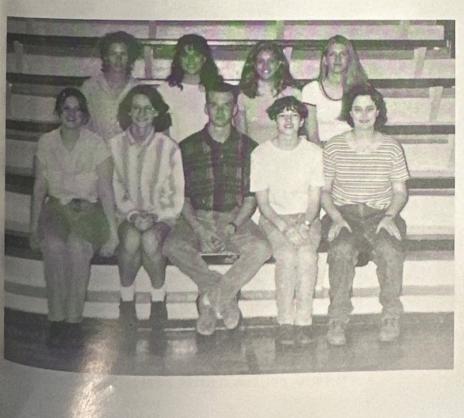
## Peer Helpers Function under New Name

The peer counseling program improved during its second year as the group voted on the new name of TIES.

For many families and students, the word counselor was threatening which hindered the program's ability to help children. peer helpers are not counselors but are friends that listen. A peer helper may choose a variety of activities such as coloring, reading, exercising, and doing homework as well as talking.

The training course consisted of a variety of lessons to help the peer helper. These skills include attending, empathy, summarizing, questioning, genuineness, assertiveness, confrontation, and problem solving. They were taught in a 20 hour period broken down into several segments.

Following training, TIES members began assisting their individuals. Seventeen of the twenty helpers remained active this year.



Senior TIES members are Row 1 (1 to r): Sherida Youngman\*, Jami Schievelbein, Joel Schutz, Robyn Burton and Dawn Breinig. Row 2: Lona Smith, Ashley Mues, Katie Swanson and Casey Sander\*. (\*denotes inactivity.) Not pictured is Stephanie Martin.

# Student Council Replenishes Thirst

What would the student lounge be without the pop machine? Can one imagine our school without it? Why is it that the people of AHS thrive on soda pop? These questions are not easily answered, but the simple fact is that the student body and staff indulges 563 cases of pop a year, which is nearly 63 cases per month!

The pop provided throughout the school is made possible sponsored by Karen by the Student Council. They order the pop Lynn Crosley. and take turns filling

the pop machine.

Although the pop machine is what the Student Council is known for, they do other things behind the curtains.

In the fall the StuCo, along with the NHS, hosts a soup sup-They were also per. active in Homecoming, and provided a scholarship to an outstanding senior. Stephanie Martin was the recipient.

The council was Windhusen

## STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

### **SENIORS**

Joey Soncksen (Vice-President) Molly McNulty (President)

## **JUNIORS**

Joel McCoy Angela Braithwait

## **SOPHOMORES**

Chad Bergman Natasha Fisher (Secretary/ Treasurer)

### **FRESHMAN**

Mike Monter Misty Hill



President Molly McNulty and Vice-President Joey Soncksen take a break from the dance to express faces of relief as Homecoming is about to be lifted from their shoulders.



Jennifer Collins takes part in Pajama Day. The Dress Up Days were assigned by the Student Council.

Julie Kennicuttawards new inductee Jennifer Collins her National Honor Society pin while other inductees Jeremy Kroemer and Megan McClintic observe.

# NHS Awards Scholarships

Honor Society. These commitment students have strived community service. to be the best and give they are involved.

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Perhaps the their best in whatever characteristic that sets National Honor Society NHS members members apart from have been busy this others is their willingyear with several ac- ness to go against the tivities which in- norm and do what they cluded inducting new feel is right. That permembers and hosting haps is what pride, their annual soup sup- perserverance and exper. The soup supper cellence is all about.



he 1995-96 National Honor Society members are Row 1 (1 to r): Julie Kennicut, Jennifer Breinig, Sarah Lammel, Sate Swans and Honor Society members are Row 1 (1 to r): Julie Kennicut, Jennifer Breinig, Sarah Lammel, Steph Martin, Megan Attended to the Swanson, Molly McNulty, and Lindsay Collins. Row 2: Denise Pfeiffer, Steph Martin, Megan Acclintic, Robyn Burton, and Joanna Smith. Row 3: Jeremy Kroemer, Andrew Thompson, Lona Smith, and Ice Lambert. anifer Collins and tasha Fisher, and Joe Lambert.

# Homecoming Proves Memorable

## "Nothing Else Matters"

"Nothing Else Matters" to the Warriors when they are enthused and hyped for a fun-filled Homecoming Week.

The Student Council and the cheerleaders planned the majority of the week's festivities. Throughout the week many people were dressed to coordinate with the dress up days. The dress up days were 80's Day, Sign Your T-Shirt Day, Blue and White Day, and Pajama Day. Other activities on the busy agenda were window painting, locker decorating and a bonfire rally.

The town was drenched with spirit as the volleyball and foot-

ball teams were preparing to smash the Alma Cardinals. Despite the blood, sweat and tears, the Warriors were defeated in both.

The Homecoming candidates were Molly McNulty, Ashley Mues, Jami Schievelbein, Katie Jared Swanson. Hemelstrand, Craig Hilker, Cody Hill, and Joey Soncksen. Mistress of Ceremonies Kelly Cacy Herrold awarded Craig and Ashley as Prince and Princess and Joey and Katie as King and Queen, respectively.

The final event of Homecoming, the dance, concluded the memorable week on Saturday night.



Jami Schievelbein and Jennifer Breinig show their spirit at the bonfire rally.



Above: Queen Katie Swanson gives a pep talk while King Joey Soncksen waits his turn.



The Homecoming candidates are Joey Soncksen, Jami Schievelbein, Ashley Mues, Cody Hill, Katie Swanson, Craig Hilker, Molly McNulty and Jared Hemelstrand.

Right: Megan McClintic, Sarah Lammel and Jennifer Collins show off their Pajama Day attire.



Below: Lindsay Collins and Glenn Thomas decorate the halls to express their senior spirit.



The band leads the parade downtown to the pep rally proceeding Coronation.





Cody Hill shows the crowd what he plans to do to the Alma Cardinals.

## Music Department Flashes Back to the Wild West for Calamity Jane

YEEEEHAH!!!!! Once again audiences were delighted when the music department it the best ever." made a flashback to the Wild West.

Students and parents toiled to bring the antics of CALAM-ITY JANE to life as they transformed the stage thentic chuck wagon into a rustic western set and collectiviely Howard Davis read a worked to make the proclamation shift to the 1800's.

the Old West theme and were happy ot be entertained with a musical that was actually based on a town pretty close to home, Deadwood, SD. The western setting, country music and clothes, along with shattering sugar glass bottles and a slew of different charace the compothe show to success.

It was a fun exence with the new s."stated Jen-Brienig, who portraved the nervous

saloon owner Henrietta Miller. "Everyone pulled together to make

Other highlights of the night came when PBS Kalamity Kate came to entertain the audience during the au-Mayor opened the quas-Many enjoyed quicentennial honor of Arapahoe's 125th year as a town-

> When the lights dimmed and the applause subsided, all the reasons became evident why students choose to work hard on a project as challenging as staging a full score musical.

Sarah Lammel who played the role of Katie Brown commented, "It was very fullfilling to look out at the audience and know that we pulled off a great show."



Above: Katie Swanson (Calamity Jane) and her new found love Joe Lambert (Bill Hickock). Below: Dance girls Angie Thomas. Angie Braithwait, Jami Schievelbein, Nicole Paine, Sherida Youngman, and Heather Wendland are all smiles as Ashley Mues (Adelaid Adams) sings a solo.





Left: Joe Lambert, with hat over his heart, sings a love song.



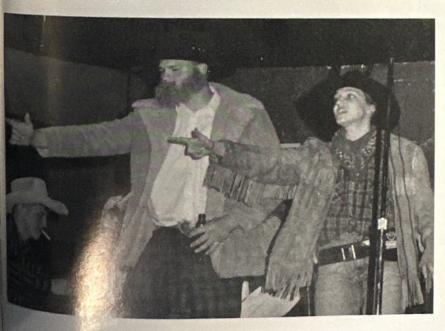
Left (1 to r):Alex Sommerfeld, Lindsay Collins, Keith Broughton, Katie Swanson, Joe Lambert, Joel McCov, Sarah Lammel, Vaughn King, and Ashley Mues sing "Black Hills of Dakota".





Calamity Jane cast members include Row 1 1 to r: Zach Nott, Scott Avara, directors Above: Kristi Blickenstaff and Brenda Lambert, Jodi Peterman, Bruce Sander, Jim Brewer. Row 2: Adam Lambert, Heather Wendland, Angie Thomas, Jessica Hjort, Lammel vents her Vaughn King, Heather Rhinehart, Kristi Hinz, Erin Urbom, Tiffany Taylor, frustrations on her Natasha Fisher, Jenny Hilker, Tara Jackson, Kristi Carnes. Row 3: Joey Soncksen, dress. Angie Braithwait, Nicole Paine, Mike Thomas, Keith Broughton, Sonresa Powers, Courtney McNulty, Carrie Wendland, Sherida Youngman, Andrea Larabee, Ross Collins, Jeremy Clouse. Row 4: Keith Maaske, Lindsay Collins, Alex Sommerfeld, Ashley Mues, Joe Lambert, Katle Swanson, Jennifer Breinig, Joel McCoy, Sarah Lammel, Jennifer Collins, Joanna Smith, Jami Schievelbein, Denise Pfeiffer, and Jared Hemelstrand.

Sarah





Above: Cowboys Ross Collins, Jared Hemelstrand, and Jeremy Clouse play a round of cards. Left: Keith Maaske (Prospector) and Katie Swanson aim and fire during the opening number. Musical 67

## the Beverly Hillbillies

## Juniors and Seniors Combine Forces for Backwoods Hit

"'Dem ol'
Clampets made 'der
way to our stage 'dis
spring, an' wit' 'um
wus 'der fifty millyun
an' a fresh batch o'
Granny's possum
inerds."

The junior/senior production of the BEVERLY HILLBILLIES was nothing less than a success, with good viddles, an outstanding set and a cast to match.

"I think the play went really well," commented Jon Haussler, "considering the amount of fun we had during practices and the short amount of time we had to prepare for it."

WithKaren WindhusenandPam Brienig as directors, the play went off without a hitch, and after only ten scheduled practices, the cast was ready to hit the stage with a full house of onlookers.

Just as in the original television series, Jed, played by Jeremy Kroemer, moves his family to Beverly Hills after striking it rich at his back hills home.

Once there, two con artists, Emaline Fetty/Rita Rio, played by Sarah Lammel and Colonel Foxhall, played by Mike Stock attempt to swindle Jed out of one million dollars.

The duo flees after their failed attempt, and the play ends in laughter and dance.



Percy (Jon Haussler) and Jethro (Allen Blake) are ready to take a dip in the cement pond.



Above: Allen Blake portrayed Jethro Bodine in the Jr/Sr production of the BEVERLY HILLBILLIES.

Left: Mr. Dryesdale (Andrew Thompson) shows Jed (Jeremy Kroemer), Jethro (Allen Blake), Granny (Katie Swanson) and Elly Mae (Megan McClintic) their new mansion.



68 Jr./Sr. Play



Colonel Foxhall (Mike Stock) attempts to win Granny's (Katie Swanson) love.



Elly Mae (Megan McClintic) shows Emaline (Sarah Lammel) to her room.





Mrs. Dryesdale (Ashley Mues) and Mr. Dryesdale (Andrew Thompson) await the Clampett's arival.



Percy (Jon Haussler) welcomes Elly Mae (Megan McClintic) to Beverly Hills while Mrs. Pennyweather (Dawn Breinig) and Mr. Dryesdale (Andrew Thompson) look on.

## Seniors Enjoy One Last Dance

The juniors presented the Senior Class with "Seize the Night," an evening of dining and celebration to bid them farewell and dedicate one last dance to them.

Following preprom parties, guests proceeded to the school where they were escorted to dinner by the servers.

Junior Class
President Megan
McClinticopened the
evening, and Ashley
Mues gave a response.
Sarah Lammel
shared a prayer.

The meal consisted of a fruit appetizer, prime rib, baked potato, green beans with cheese, dinner roll, iced tea, and an

ice cream dessert.

After the dinner Joel McCoy and Jeremy Soncksen presented the Junior Class prophecies, and Craig Hilker and Cody Hill presented the Senior Class wills. Jennifer Collins shared a poem, and Megan McClintic closed the dinner.

A Grande Promenade followed the dinner where couples were introduced and pictures taken.

The evening concluded with a dance followed be post-prom activities.

Right: Natasha Fisher and Jennifer Collins throw their hands in the air during the YMCA.





Members of the prom court include Ashley M u e s , J a m i S c h i e v e l b e i n , Queen Lindsay Collins, King Justin Crawford, Cody Hill and Craig Hilker.



Above: Jeremy Clouse demonstrates his new dance move.



Left: Erin Urbom and Chad Bergman take a break from their busy serving schedule.

Below: Megan McClintic and Nicole Paine are busy decorating.



Below: Angie Thomas and Jesse Johannsen share a dance together.







Above left: Sarah Lammel concentrates on her fancy footwork.



Above: Sophomore servers include Row 1 (1 to r): Jeff Larson, Chad Bergman, Roger Maxwell, and Scott Avara. Row 2: Tiffany Taylor, Erin Urbom, Natasha Fisher, and Jodi Peterman

Left: Joe Lambert and Nicole Paine try their hand at the country swing.

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# Seniors Sneak to Ozarks

They Came, They Saw, They Almost Died on a Winding Road.

Sneaking away to Kirkwood Lodge, Osage Beach, MO gave the seniors one last chance day was spent on a dinto build new memories ner cruise. Despite the together as a class.

sored by Larry Lam- lodge. bert, Charles Isom, Pam Breinig and home through Kansas Marilyn Martin, City, where they made made their first stop in a shopping stop at Kansas City. After Crown Center. Alspending a few hours though the anticipaat Worlds of Fun, they tion to return home continued on to was remarkably vis-Kirkwood Lodge to ible, the Senior Class quickly unpack and enjoyed their last trip get ready for the Oz- together.

ark Opry, a dance, and a hot dog roast.

The following and enjoy their time rain, they spent time in Dog Patch and con-The class, spon-cluded the day at the

The group came

Below: Steph Martin, Robyn Burton, and Megan Wilcox force a smile on the cold dinner cruise.



**Above:** Who is taking a picture of whom? Cody HIll atempts to capture sneak memories on his camera.





Above: Robyn Burton and Tiffany Maxwellwait patiently to ride the Timber Wolf.



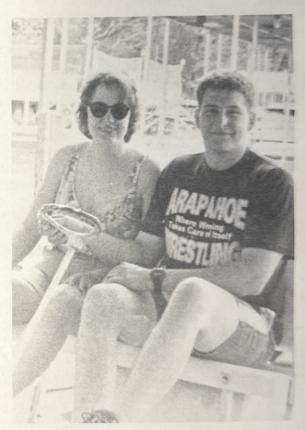
Megan Wilcox, Craig Hilker, Ashley Mues, Molly McNulty and Tiffany Maxwell realize how uncomfortable even a chartered bus can be.



Justin Crawford relaxes on a boat ride.



Katie Swanson and Ashley Mues have sweet dreams on the way to Missouri.



Dawn Breinig and Jim Piper cruise around the lake.



Justin Crawford, Matt Harmon, Joey Soncksen and Lindsay Collins take a break at Worlds of Fun.

ve been together thirteen years more or less, the past four years have been the best. You've I here through the thick and thin. So much happened, so where should I begin? drea Larabee)

# eniors End High chool Career

Thirty seniors ked down the aisle ne traditional "Pomp I Circumstance" yed by the AHS band Saturday, May 11,

Principal Lar-Lambertwelcomed capacity crowd to afternoonevent introduced tasha Fisher, who ig "The Sweetest vs." The class had viously prepared a eo that featured h senior in both an ly childhood and a ior photo. In salu-

tatorian Stephanie Martin's absence, Robyn Burton presented the validictorian address. She was followed by Rev. Gerald Schwarz, who focused on the class motto and its application to the graduating seniors.

Counselor Howard
Davis awarded scholarships, and Superintendent David Hendricks presented the
class. Diplomas were
given by board member Randy Burton
and Mr. Hendricks.



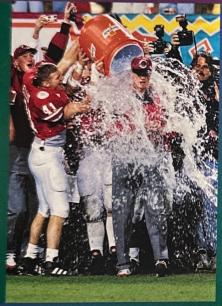
Speakers for the 1996 commencement ceremony are Valedictorian Robyn Burton an Reverand Gerald Schwartz. Due to illnes Saluatorian Stephanie Martin is not present

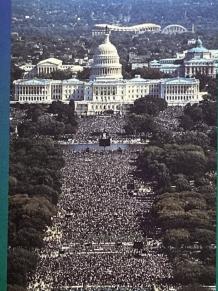


The Class of 1996 includes Row 1 (1 to r): Dawn Breinig, Jami Schievelbein, Ashley Mues, Katle Swanson, Lindsay Collins, Tiffany Maxwell, Robyn Burton, Heather Wendland, and Carolyn Warner. Row 2: Lona Smith, Andrea Larabee, Megan Wilcox, Mike Stock, Jesse Johannsen, Vaughn King, Joey Soncksen, Molly McNulty, Sherida Youngman, and Casey Sander. Row 3: Cody Hill, Craig Hilker, Glenn Thomas, Jared Hemelstrand, Jim Piper, Justin Crawford, Keith Maaske, Joel Schutz, Matt Harmon, and Pat Potter. (Not pictured) Steph Martin.

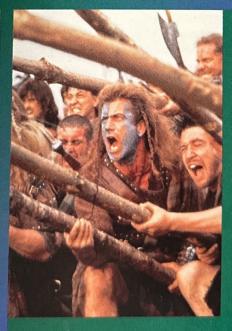
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After a two-and-a-half year court battle to be the first female cadet admitted to the South Carolina military institute, the Citadel, Shannon Faulkner left the academy after only five days. Faulkner spent four of her five days in the infirmary, suffering from heat exhaustion.

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Baseball legend Mickey Mantle died of lung cancer. Mantle, who had been battling a liver disease brought on by excessive drinking, had received a liver transplant just two months earlier.



Grateful Dead frontman Jerry Garcia died of a heart attack in a drug rehabilitation clinic Aug. 9. Hundreds of memorials were held across the country, including one in San Francisco that drew over 20,000 fans. The remaining members of the band announced in December that the group would be disbanded.

Monica Seles returned to tennis

in August, playing in the Canadian Open.

It was her first tournament after a deranged fan of rival Steffi Graf stabbed her in Ger-



also took home four Grammy

Best Female Rock Vocalist. Album of the Year and Best Rock Album. • Leaving Las Vegas was a critical smash, drawing rave reviews for star

Nicolas Cage, who won an Oscar for his performance as a suicidal alcoholic. • Shawntel Smith, of Oklahoma, was named Miss America 1996, in a contest which

allowed viewers to vote whether or not to continue the swimsuit competition. Seventy-nine percent of the callers voted to keep the competition, which had been



Microsoft released its newest operating system, Windows 95, in late August to a flurry of publicity, including stores that opened at midnight to allow customers to be among the first to purchase the software. Experts said that the advertising campaign was the largest ever.

Pierce Brosnan

starred in Goldeneve, the latest James Bond movie, becoming the fifth actor to play Agent 007. Goldeneye was the ninth-ranked film of the vear in box office receipts, earning \$89 million.





Congress held hearings from September through November concerning the 10-day standoff in Ruby Ridge, Idaho, in 1992 between federal agents and white separatist

Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripken, Jr., broke Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130 consecutive games played. The streak, which Ripken started in 1982, brought many baseball fans, disgruntled by the recent strike, back to the game.

called "sexist" for years.

 Popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher died following a heart attack at the age of 88.

· Senator Bob Packwood, of Oregon, resigned after a panel recommended his expulsion from the Senate because of sexual misconduct.

· Pope John Paul II visited America in early October. taking a five-day tour

through New York, New Jersey and Maryland. On Oct. 5, he addressed the United Nations General Assembly as part of the U.N. 50th anniversary celebration. • In the most

prolific hurricane season in history, 1995 saw a record 11 hurricanes, which killed 110 people. Opal, which hit the coast of Florida, was the deadliest and costliest, killing

Alannis Morrisette, a 21-year- awards for Best Rock Song, old singer from Canada released one of the most popular albums of the year, Jagged Little Pill. Morrisette

many two years ago.

The Atlanta Braves defeated the Cleveland Indians, four games to two, in the 1995 World Series. Pitcher Tom Glavine was named the Series MVP. The Series was not played in 1994 because of the baseball strike.

More than 800,000 black men gathered in Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March. Led by controversial leader Louis Farrakhan, the march served as a day of atonement and reconciliation, in which participants pledged to take responsibility for themselves, their families and their communities.

O.J. Simpson was found not guilty Oct. 3 of two counts of murder in the deaths of his former wife, Nicole Brown, and her friend, Ronald Goldman. The verdict brought racial division in the country to the forefront, with surveys showing that 64 percent of white Americans thought Simpson was guilty, while 59 percent of black Americans felt he was not guilty.

59 and causing \$3 billion in

damages. • Shannon Hoon,

band Blind Melon, died of a

drug overdose in October at

the age of 28. . Chris and

the lead singer of the







Courtney Salthouse became the first set of twins to post perfect scores on the SAT. The fraternal twins, from Chamblee, Ga., both received scores of 1600 on the exam.

George from Ohio State University won the 1995 Heisman Trophy. • A sixhour ABC television special and the release of a double

Beatles' return to the Billboard charts. Using computer technology to mix John Lennon's voice with the remaining members, Free as



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a Bird became the first new Beatles song since 1970. · After four decades of reptilian destruction, the final Godzilla movie was made. Godzilla vs. Destrover

 American Airlines Flight 965 crashed in Colombia in December, killing 160 passengers and leaving only four survivors. The crash was

opened in Japan in December.

Congress passed a law which repealed the federal speed limit of 55 miles per hour. The law, which allows states to set their own limits, resulted in raised speed limits all over the country, including Montana, where all daytime speed limits were abolished.

There was a flurry of moves in the NFL in 1995. The Los Angeles Raiders moved back to Oakland for the '95 season, while the L.A. Rams played in St. Louis. At the end of 1995 it was announced that the Cleveland Browns would be moving to Baltimore for the 1996 season, disappointing many Cleveland fans.

Israeli Prime Minister Yitzak Rabin was killed by Yigal Amir, a Jewish zealot, as Rabin left a peace rally in Tel Aviv. Amir was later found guilty of murder, though he had claimed he did not mean to kill Rabin, only paralyze him.

The Hubble Space Telescope sent back photos from some of the deepest parts of space, including pictures of the formation of a star over 7,000 light years from Earth.



Retired general Colin Powell released his book. My American Journey, and kept Americans wondering whether he would make a run for the presidency. In November, he announced his decision not to run, although speculation continued that he would be chosen as a running mate by Republican presidential hopeful,

Toy Story, the first movie made completely with computer animation, was one of the biggest hits of the year, earning over \$150 million in 1995. The movie's creator received a Special Achievements Oscar at the 1996 Academy Awards.

later determined to be caused by pilot error. . Singer and comic Dean Martin died on Christmas Day at the age of 41-32. The Wildcats were 78 of acute respiratory failure. . Northwestern

University made their first Rose Bowl appearance since 1949, losing to USC, ronsidered the Cinderella team of 1995, posting their



Yolanda Saldivar, former president of An Amtrak train derailed in Arizona, kill-Selena's fan club, was found guilty of muring one and injuring 100. A note found near dering the Tejano pop star and sentenced the scene signed "Sons of the Gestapo" led to 30 years to life in prison. Hundreds of some to believe the track sabotage was the Selena fans gathered outside the courtroom work of a militant group, but others thought when the verdict was announced.

Senior running back Eddie

CD compilation marked the

it was a disgruntled former railroad employee.

Batman Forever, thet movie in the series, became the biggest box office draw of 1995, earning \$184 million. Val Kilmer played Batman for the first and last time, and Chris O'Donnell joined him as his sidekick, Robin.

The federal government was forced to shut down twice in 1995, after budget talks between the President and Congress reached an impasse. The shutdowns forced the closing of national parks and landmarks and left those workers considered "non-essential" without jobs. The workers later received

### U.S. troops were sent to

back pay.

Bosnia in December as part of a NATO peace-keeping mission. Bosnian, Serb and Croat leaders signed a peace treaty in Dayton, Ohio, in November at a U.S.-sponsored talk.



Bill Watterson, the creator of Calvin and Hobbes, announced his retirement. The comic strip, which featured a boy and his stuffed tiger, ran for the last time on Dec. 31.









John Travolta, who revived his sagging career with

his performance in Pulp Fiction in 1994, starred in three box-office hits this year including Broken Arrow, in which he played a military pilot who steals a nuclear weapon.

and recover from a skin disease, then be released back into his original pod off the coast of Iceland. • Hillary Rodham Clinton testified mony. • All of Washington. under oath to a grand jury

D.C., was talking about the book Primary Colors, a thinly veiled account of President Clinton's 1992 campaign. Penned by Anonymous, the book sparked scores of

discussions about the author's identity. . Dancer and actor Gene Kelley died of a stroke at the age of 83. • A telecommunications bill was signed into law, marking the

communication laws in years. The law set criminal penalties for distributing pornography to minors over the Internet, and forced







Three years after his announcement that he was HIV-positive and his retirement from professional basketball, Magic Johnson instead to go with more returned to the Los Angeles Lakers. controversial shows. In his first game back, Johnson scored 19 points in 27 minutes.

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time television talk show format, announced his retirement in January. Donahue's decision was thought to be a response to the dropping of his

show in many markets, where programmers chose

first winning season in 24 years. . Don Shula, who had served as head coach of the Miami Dolphins for 26 years, retired in January, Shula,

who posted a record of 347-

173-6, including two Super Bowl appearances, was replaced by former Dallas coach, Jimmy Johnson.

· Keiko, a killer whale that starred in the two Free Willy

movies, was moved from an amusement park in Mexico City, to an aquarium in Oregon. Once in the larger tank, caretakers hoped the whale would put on weight

when she answered questions in January about documents related to Whitewater, It was the first time a First Lady had been called for such testi-

The University of Nebraska became

the first team in 39 years to repeat as national

champions when they defeated the Florida

Gators, 62-24, in the Fiesta Bowl.

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Murrah Federal Building, would be

moved to Denver. Defense attorneys requested the move amid fears that their

clients would not receive a fair trial in

Oklahoma City, where the bombing

killed 169 people and left 614 injured in

Hootie and the Blowfish quickly

scored platinum status with their first al-

bum release, Cracked Rear View, which

sold at an average of one million copies

per month. The band won two Grammy

Awards, for Best New Artist and Best Pon

Group Vocal Performance.



April 1995.



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television manufacturers to equip all new sets with a "vchip," which allows parents to

was being transported to another location.

rumors that he had failed his physical, boxer Tommy Morrison announced that he was infected with the HIV

The Irish Republic Army ended their 17-month-old cease fire when

they bombed a bus in London, killing one person. The bomb went off as it

series M\*A\*S\*H, died of a heart attack at 66. • The tobacco industry continued to come under fire. Former employees of several

companies testified before Congress that cigarette the amount of nicotine to maintain addictive levels. Liggett, in a move that

Wayne Gretzky was traded from the Los Angeles Kings to the St. Louis Blues in late February. Gretzky, considered by some to be the best

hockey player ever, had announced in January that he

wanted to be traded.

surprised the industry. became the first tobacco company to settle a classaction lawsuit. • Two sons-inlaw of Iragi president Saddam Hussein defected to Jordan in

August. They later returned to Iraq after receiving a government pardon, but were killed three days after their return, allegedly by enraged

family members. • Two

civilian planes, looking for refugees in the waters between the United States and Cuba, were shot down by Cuban fighter pilots. The incident, which resulted in the

deaths of four airmen, had the United States moving to tighten economic sanctions against Cuba. • Seal won two Grammy Awards for his song, Kiss From a Rose, for



on swimmer Jessica Foschi, who had tested positive for performance-enhancing steroids before a meet in August. A judge ruled that the trials Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols, accused in the bombing of the Alfred P.



The United States Swimming

Board overturned a two-year ban placed



It was man vs. machine when World Chess Champion Gary Kasparov played a series of games with the IBM computer, Deep Blue.

Kasparov won four of the six matches. Rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg was acquitted of murder charges in the death of a gang member. Manslaughter charges against the artist

were dropped as well after a hung jury resulted in a mistrial.

block certain programming. · After his fight with Arthur Weathers was canceled amid

virus. . McLean Stevenson, best known for his role as

The Dallas Cowboys won Thousands of Hamas

supporters gathered for

the funeral of Yehia Ayash, an

explosives expert killed in an

explosion engineered by the Israelis. In February, the Pal-

estinian rebel group took re-

venge in a series of suicide

bombings which killed 27,

causing Israel to declare war

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on the group.

their third Super Bowl in four years when

they defeated the Pittsburgh Steelers,

27-17. Larry Brown, who picked off

two interceptions, was named Most Valu-

It was a marriage that most said

couldn't last, and it didn't. Nineteen

months after a wedding which surprised

the world, Lisa Marie Presley filed for di-

vorce from pop star Michael Jackson, cit-

ing irreconcilable differences.

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Henry Blake on the television

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**Bob Dole** captured enough delegates in the primaries to win the Republican nomination for President. Winning every primary in March, Dole fought off challenges from Steve Forbes, Lamar Alexander and Pat Buchanan.

Princess Diana agreed to a divorce from Prince Charles in mid-March, after 15 years of marriage. Both admitted to infidelity, Diana's confession coming in a televised interview with the BBC in November.



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Only weeks after celebrating his 100th birthday, entertainer George Burns died. Burns, who was scheduled to play Caesar's Palace in Las Vegas on his birthday, instead celebrated quietly at home with friends.

Susan Sarandon won an Oscar for Best Actress for her role as a nun in Dead Man Walking. The film, which also starred Sean Penn, told the story of a convicted murderer on death row.

Song and Record of the Year.
Meanwhile, Mariah Carey was
shut out from winning,
although she had been
nominated for six awards.
• Sixteen primary school

children and their teacher were killed in Dunblane, Scotland, by a deranged gunman. Thomas Hamilton, who was described as an outcast obsessed with guns, then killed himself. • Lyle and Eric Menendez were found guilty of first-degree murder in March in the 1989 deaths of their parents. The brothers, whose first trials ended in two hung juries, had claimed that the murders were in self-defense after years of abuse. • A ban was imposed on exports of British beef when it was discovered that

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**Use of the Internet grew** phenomenally in the past year. Some enterprising individuals opened Internet-themed coffeeshops, like this one, in which patrons could sip cappuccinos while chatting online.



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Al Bello/Allsport

Boxer Mike Tyson regained his WBC heavyweight title in March after defeating Frank Bruno. Tyson had returned to boxing in August after being released from an Indiana prison where he had served three years for rape.



SYGMA

The Scottish epic Braveheart came away a huge winner on Oscar night, winning Best Director for Mel Gibson, as well as Best Picture. The film, which was nominated for 10 awards, won five.

mad-cow disease could be transmitted to humans. The disease, which was probably caused by feed made from the remains of other animals, was thought to have killed

several children. • The
University of Tennessee
defeated the University of
Georgia, 83-65, in the finals
of the NCAA Women's
Basketball Tournament, to

gain the school's fourth title in 10 years. Michelle Marciniak was named Outstanding Player of the Final Four. • An opening-day game between the Cincinnati Reds and the Montreal Expos was canceled when home-plate umpire John McSherry collapsed only seven pitches into the game. He was pronounced dead of heart failure 55 minutes later.

# The care of the ca

The University of Kentucky Wild cats defeated the Syracuse Orangemen, 76 for, in the NCAA Men's Basketball Tourna ment. The title was the sixth in Kentucky and their first in 18 years. Tony Deli was named tournament MVP.

Behind the play of stars Michael Jordan, Dennis Rodman and Scottie Pippen, the Chicago Bulls stood poised in April to break the NBA record of 69 wins in a single season.

Jonathan Daniel/Allsport



Joe Lambert shows that the student life at AHS is anything but typical.



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**Friends, the wildly popular NBC show** about six York, spawned several television shows based on a similar prover the country mimicking star Jennifer Anniston's haircut.

Commerce Secretary Ron
Brown was killed in a plane
crash in early April. Brown had
been traveling in the
Balkans to help in the region's
financial rebuilding. Thirty-one
others died in the crash.

FBI agents arrested a
Montana man suspected of
being the Unabomber.
Theodore John Kaczynski was
turned in by members of his
family after they discovered
similarities between his

writings and those of Unabomber. The forms Berkeley professor we thought to be responsible mail bomb incidents spans 18 years, which killed three and wounded 23.



After smiling for the camera all day, the homecoming candidates Ashley Mues, Molly McNulty, Jami Schievelbein, and Katie Swanson flash their cheesiest smiles yet.

# Student Life

After school hours the students at AHS disperse to many different hangouts. Here are some of the most popular places they may be found.

10. Anywhere but Arapahoe

9. Dairy Queen

8. School parking lot

7. Gym/Black-top

6. Tiffany's house

5. Take road trips

4. Home

3. K-Store

2. Friend's house

Movie Theatre

Student Life 75

# AHS Students Puttin' On the Ritz, Glitz. . . Grunge?

Yo! What up? I'm agonna bust you! Duuurh. These are the sounds you are most likely to hear walking through the halls of AHS and don't be surprised if you hear it from someone wearing bell bottoms and a orange jacket from the local thrift store. No this isn't a reunion of the Brady Bunch, it's individualism at its peak.

Students at AHS definitely reach out to all ends of the spectrum when it comes to style. Everything from Nikes to cowboy boots stomp through the hallways. Hairstyles, philosophies, choice of music, and even speech man-

nerisms carve out individuals, making themselves unique to everyone else.

As we've seen in the "School Zone" section of SEV-ENTEEN magazine, kids all over the globe are becoming more and more open with self expression. AHS is no exception to the rule. Over the past few years many students have become more open to going against the grain, fashion or otherwise.

Yet even with all the glimmering glitz of the 70s and the alternative grunge of the 90s, students find the coolest fad is just being yourself.

# Top 10 Sayings at AHS

10. I don't know

9. Ahright

8. Bummer

7. \_\_\_\_\_is a tool 6.Bust it!

5. Dust It

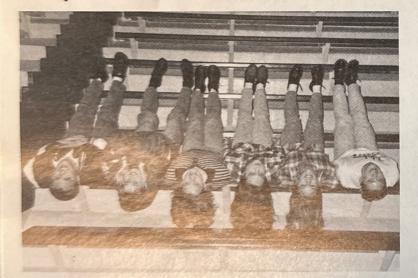
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4. You wanna see somethin' cool?

3. I'm agonna bust you!

2. Huh? Right Reid!

1. I'm retarded



Above: Heavy bottom shoes are big at AHS as shown here by Joel McCoy, Michelle Peterson, Lyndzie Clouse, Kiley Stoye, Sarah Lammel, and Molly McNulty.



Above: Students show their spirit for two time National Champons Nebraska Cornhuskers. Row 1(1 to r): Joel McCoy and Brent Christensen. Row 2: Molly McNulty, Matt Harmon and Joe Lambert. Row 3: Robyn Burton, Katie Smith, and Ross Collins. Row 4: Tiffany Maxwell, Tiffany Taylor and Nicole Paine. Row 5: Nick Collins and Mike Montel

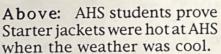


Left: Natasha Fisher explains to Chad Bergman that bell bottoms really are making a comeback as he argues baggy and corduroy is the way to go.

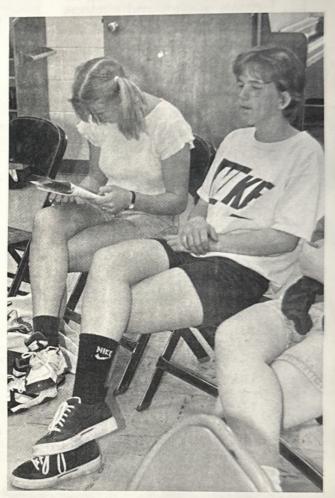


Left: Nate Hilker explains that going second hand shopping is first rate.





Left: Low top street shoes are big here at AHS. Students wore every brand from Puma to Converse.



Katie Smith displays her Nike wear in music. Among AHS students Nike is the most popular brand of athletic wear.



# AHS Students Work Their Fingers to the Bone

When the end of the year rolls around students find themselves being bombarded with dues, camp money and various other necessities that inevitably dry out the bank accounts. Many students have taken on the responsibility of paying for themselves by getting jobs and working their fingers to the bone.

It isn't easy sacrificing weekends, after school time, and entire summers, but students find it builds character along with responsibility. In fact, many students are expected to operate thousands of dollars worth of

equipment, care for elderly people, or protect the lives of others by working as lifeguards or crossguards. Not exactly your typical sluff-off work.

Eventually students find that a little extra money goes a long way.

"It's great to make money so I can bribe the geometry to teacher to give meagood grade," commented Joel McCoy. On a serious note he added he would also use the money to buy a new transmission for his car.

Whatever the reason, summertime for most means dropping the books and picking up a broom.

# Top 10 Best Jobs

10. The only male lifeguard on Baywatch

9. Masseuse

8. Watching television and getting paid for it

7. Burger Bob's

6. Athletic trainer

5. Roadee (for music illiterates: it's people who set up concerts for rock bands.)

4. Skydiver

3. One of those freaky carnival guys

2. Plumber

1. A late night talk show host (Just like Dave Letterman!)



Above: Justin Crawford enjoys his desk job at Crawford's Repair.

Left: Keith Broughton assists Ashley Mues in Wagner's.





Right: Andrea Chambers gives her best smile as she is interrupted from her job as a cashier at Wagner's grocery store.



Left: Jenny Hilker waits on a costumer at Burger Bob's. Wagner's and Burger Bob's employ the largest amount of the student population at AHS.

Below: Joel McCoy spends his summertime as a lifeguard at the Arapahoe Plunge.





Above: Jon Pruitt spends after school time and summers helping out at Bellemy's.

Left: Kristi Hinz and Misty Hill pause from filling icecream cones at Dahm's Drive-In.



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So this is it! The year in a nutshell or as we put it, a top ten list. We think David Letterman would be proud! We hope that you have enjoyed yourself; after all, this book is a reflection of you. In the future we encourage you to think about the the happenings that occurred within the year and remember that there is a reason behind everything you do.

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So for right now we are concluding Give Me One Good Reason. And why? Quite simply because it's the closing page!

So long,
Molly McNulty and Katie Swanson
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