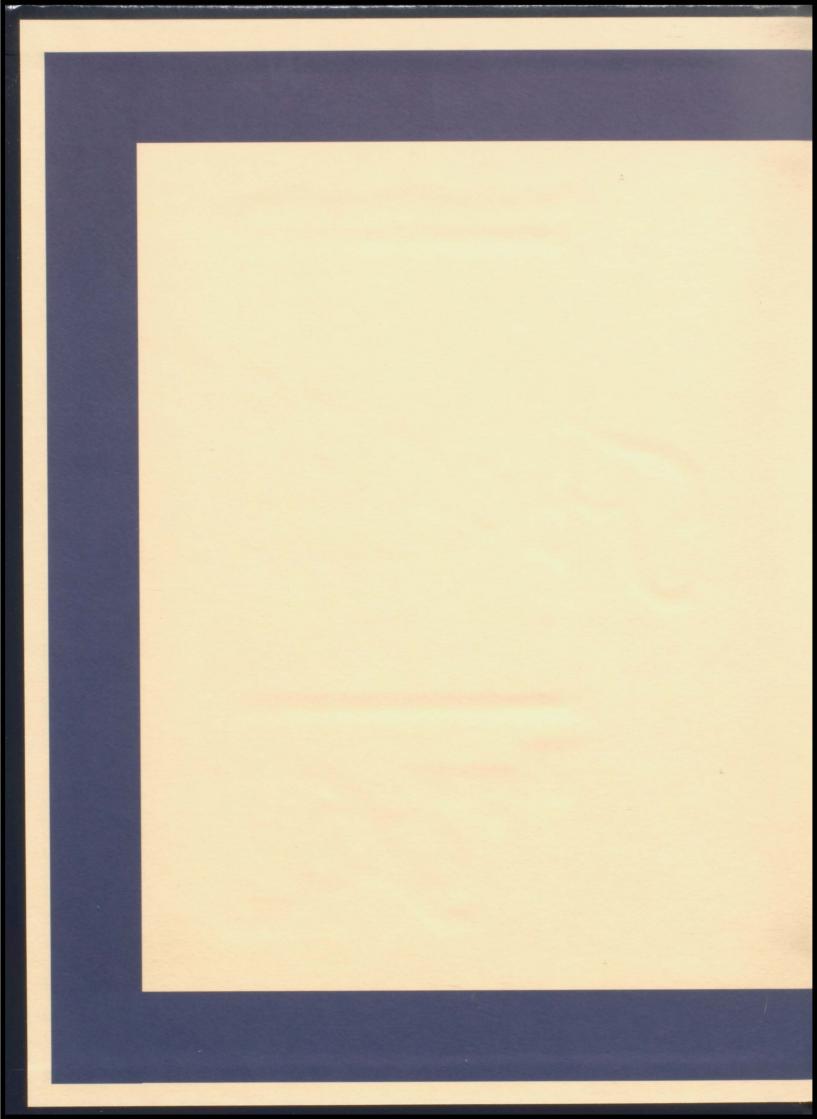


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Musical groups provided entertainment and fun throughout the year.



The broadcast team kept busy during the year while bringing students the news.



Art classes allowed students to express their creative side.



### Yesterday, Today, & Forever . . .



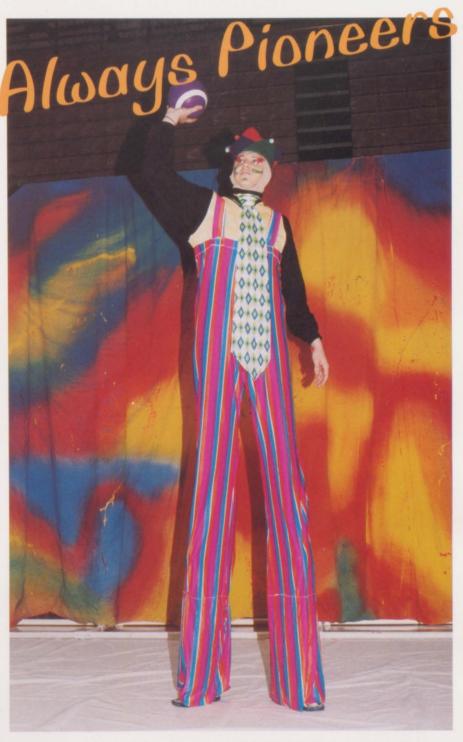
"Being a part of orchestra was a fun way for me to get involved." -junior, Julie Lundy



"I enjoyed being a photographer throughout the year. It was something new." -senior, Micah Cordray



"It was lots of fun getting to know everyone on the team." -sophomore, Bruce Fields



Trying not to lose his balance, senior Josh Geisking towers above the guard. "Cirque du Soleil" led the color guard to a successful season.

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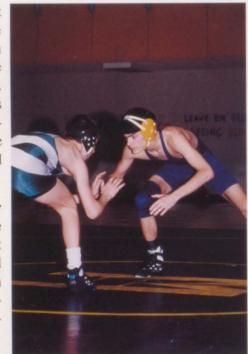
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Waving the Mooresville banner proudly, senior Ryan Lambert shows school spirit while pumping up the crowd. An abundance of spirit and pride was present at all school events.



With excitement and energy, the percussion section contributes to the color guard show. The percussionists added flare and entertainment to the guard's colorful production.

Senior wrestler Brad Breedlove studies his next move. The team had a successful season that ended in a Regional championship.





Working on his welding skills, senior Lincoln Russell concentrates on his project. Technology classes added diversity to the day.





Yesterday, Today, and Forever...

### Always PONERS

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

From some of the most exciting events of the year, homecoming and prom, to the serious and important side of learning, Mooresville High School always played an important role in the lives of many students.

As the doors opened on the first day of school to the final bell before summer vacation, the halls and classrooms of Mooresville High School were filled with anxious students always ready for a new day.

From the beginning of a new phase of school for the freshmen to the final year for the seniors, many memories were made throughout the year and every one held a special place in each student's heart. "I'll never forget my senior year at MHS. It was great and I learned many new things," said senior Jason Pugh.

School spirit created an exciting atmosphere in which to learn and grow in knowledge. "I think it's great to see how the school comes together to support its teams and activities," said junior Katherine Paschal. The spirit shined through in every corner of MHS and helped to create great lasting memories.

As the halls of MHS filled every morning, the students and teachers each knew that they would have an exciting day ahead. Many students, as well as teachers, stayed long hours to make school life the best it could be. *Always Pioneers* was each one's motto, and each had the school spirit and involvement to show it.



"Being in band was like having a second family."
-senior, Kristi Roberts



"The chemistry labs gave me a better understanding of the material." -junior, Don Paul



"It was a great year for Finesse. We got along great." -sophomore, Jennifer Shawhan

### A Pioneer Homecoming...

### Always in RADITON



"My friends and I wanted to get involved in homecoming and show our school spirit." -freshman, Josh Stanton



"It was a big honor to be nominated for princess." -sophomore, Kristy Cohee



"It's great to know that the band always plays an important part in the parade." -sophomore, Jay Wilcurt

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

A sea of prideful blue and brilliant gold flowed through the halls on the Friday of homecoming.

Throughout homecoming week, the excitement had been growing as the students sported groovy hippie fashions, helped build class floats, developed winning Powder Puff teams, and joined together to compete in class activities. Senior Corey Hopwood said, "Homecoming gives students and teachers a break from normal school life." Pioneer pride could be seen on the face of every student, whether it was painted or not.

The homecoming carnival proved to be as successful as ever. Many students participated in the annual field events, ranging from tug-of-war to the sack race. In the end, the seniors were victorious by winning the field events, along with Powder Puff, and showing the most spirit. Despite an overcast sky, the blue and gold spirit made it seem as if there was not a cloud in sight.

"The reality of our few short months left together really set in as we stood in the stands and waved our paddles high!" said senior Erika Wilson. The cheers from the devoted Pioneers in the stands helped to raise the spirits of everyone.

As the day's activities came to an end and everyone prepared for the game against Avon, the Pioneers knew they would always remember their 1995 homecoming.





Enjoying the activities of field day, seniors Shawn Stewart and Debbie Fox race for first place. The class competition brought smiles and laughter to most faces.



While trying to calm the drama club horse, freshman Angela Jaynes prepares for the parade. The members wore costumes and entertained the parade goers.

With classmates cheering him on, senior Josh Morgan "pulls through" in the tug-of-war. The field events allowed classes to join together.





**Seniors Erin** Miller, Jackie Poehls, and Corey Hopwood help put the finishing touches on queen candidate Lisa Ellis's convertible. Announcing homecoming court was an important part of the evening.

Trying to find the perfect picture, sophomore Shellie Hirchert photographs friends participating on the field. Cameras were a big part of capturing homecoming memories.



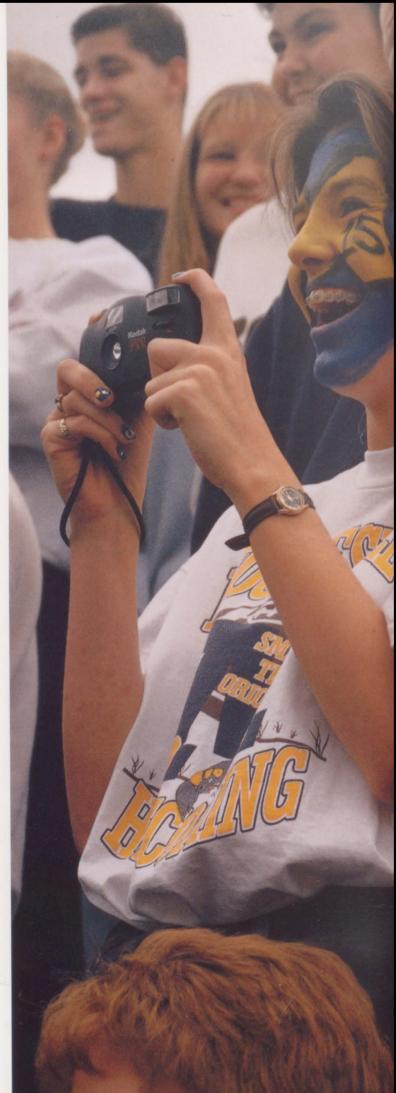
Huddling together, the football team prepares for the big game. Teamwork and the MHS "big hit" hammer led the Pioneers to a successful season.

A hug and many congratulations are given to senior Nikki Green by her escort Jarod Overton. The queen crowning was a special event.





**Sophomore Jacob DiMartino cheers on his fellow teammates.** Players both on and off the field helped to motivate the team.





# Always With RIDE

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

The Pioneers knew it would be a tough game. They had to face a fourth ranked Avon team to win their conference and a Mooresville homecoming. Anticipation mounted and excitement was high as the fans filed into the stands. Painted faces, encouraging cheers, and hearts overflowing with spirit were all in attendance.

Halftime activities allowed fans and players to catch their breath, as the queen and princess nominees held theirs. Senior Nikole Green and junior Kim Hicks were honored with the titles of homecoming queen and princess, respectively. The Pioneer marching band and color guard performed their award winning halftime show, and junior class members rejoiced as their float "Rang up a First Place Victory."

After half-time, Mooresville took the field once again. Despite a gallant effort, the Avon Orioles were too much for the Pioneer squad to handle, and Mooresville suffered a disappointing 34-10 loss. "It was exciting to play for the mid-state championship on homecoming night," said senior football player Matt Frechette. "It was a much anticipated game with a dissapointing ending." MHS students would not allow the loss to crush their spirits, as they danced the night away and celebrated *always being Pioneers*.



"Communication was important in all the games: especially homecoming." -senior, Josh Alley



"I never thought we could overcome the seniors' float. But, we did!" -janior, Marci Allen



"It was exciting being a part of cheerleading and band." -sophomore, Stacey Travelsted

### Wagon Trails Revue...

### Always in SIME



"The revue made me feel more comfortable making a fool of myself." -junior, Sean O'Riley



"Performing the skits made the revue more memorable." -senior, Marcus Mathis



"My first Wagon Trails
was definitely a high
school experience to
remember."
-freshman, Sarah Maxfield

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

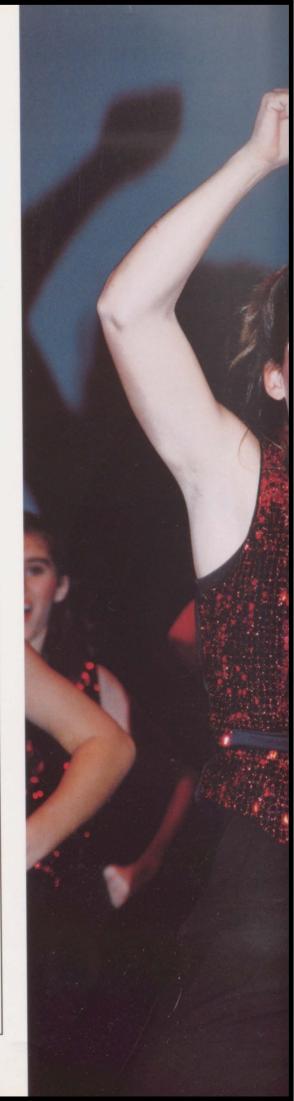
As the auditorium began to overflow with anxious spectators, the performers backstage were busy making last minute changes and holding back stage fright. When the curtain went up, all nervousness was forgotten, as MHS presented its first top-quality show of the year.

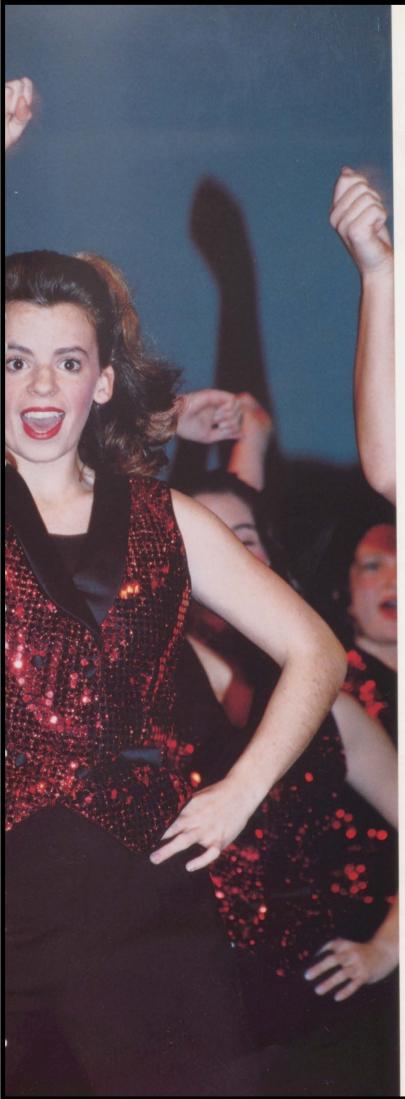
The show began with the traditional slide show and Wagon Trails staff welcome. The staff spread laughter with their commercials and skits. Some of the favorites of the weekend were the "Wag-on-Trails" frogs and the nerdy "Yearbook Man." Junior Eric Beebe said, "It was fun and I'm already looking forward to next year's sequel!"

As always, the color guard, symphonic band, jazz band, and orchestra all gave superior performances. The choirs impressed the crowd and left them desiring more. With each entertaining act, the musical groups proved that all the hard work had paid off.

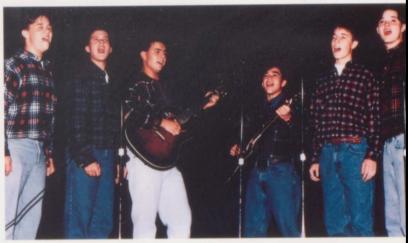
Individual acts, such as a duet by senior Maranda Willis and sophomore Jasup Smith to Spotlighter Jackie Poehls' accompanied solo, added to the show. "It was a great experience singing with a band, because it had never been done before," Jackie said.

Throughout the weekend, memories and impressions were made that would never be forgotten. Wagon Trails 1995, as always, proved to be a success.





With her arm held high and a smile on her face, sophomore Holly Phillips jives to the disco beat. Varsity's 70s medley was a hit with the audience and the performers.





As one of the most popular acts of the night, the male Spotlighter ensemble sings together in harmony. Individual acts, as well as the groups, received enthusiastic response from the audience.

Holding on tightly to her "memories," senior Jackie Poehls performs her solo. Wagon Trails Revue would always hold a special place in the seniors' hearts.



Senior Spotlighters Joel Curts and Mandi Corwin create a little chemistry as they sing. The Spots, as always, gave a high-energy, crowd-pleasing performance.

Juniors Mandi Newhart and Kellie Richmond concentrate on their jack-o-lantern. The annual pumpkin carving contest inspired many different and unusual designs.



Joking around at the Halloween dance are juniors Julie Lundy and Jennifer Dildine. Halloween costumes made the dance different and fun.

Portraying a rockin' Santa Claus is senior Joe Eversole. Holiday spirit was seen everywhere from classrooms to basketball games.





**Sharing their "Christmas Spirit"** are sophomore Kristy Cohee and freshman Dustin McKinney. The annual play was one of the many ways MHS celebrated the holidays.





# Always With SPIRIT

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

Holidays at MHS never went without being celebrated. From Santa hats to jack-o-lanterns, holiday spirit could be seen everywhere. Holidays provided a break for many and allowed them to show their spirit and creativity.

The Art Club sponsored its annual pumpkin carving contest that allowed students to show their abilities. The Halloween dance also provided a way for many to show their spirit. "It was really neat trying to guess who was underneath the costumes," said junior Amber Shillings.

Christmas was the next chance for students to show their spirit. Many clubs got involved by helping others. UNITY sponsored a toy drive. "It felt good to help others have a good Christmas," said sophomore Becca Maddox. A Christmas dance, Student Council's annual "Twelve Days of Christmas" convo, and Santagrams, helped inspire the Christmas spirit and many laughs.

Valentine's Day was accompanied by many activities. National Honor Society sold carnations and the German Club sold "Li'l Luvlies". The annual semi-formal Valentine's dance, sponsored by the Student Council, was attended by over 400 students.

Holidays were a special time, not only for the days out of school, but also for the time of celebration and unity.



"The dances were a lot of fun and made holidays memorable experiences." -freshman, Maura Di Meo



"Holidays are fun because you can have a good time with your friends and get a little crazy."
-senior, Jeremy Manning



"Holidays are a special time to spend with your family and friends." -senior, Jolie Robling

### First Semester Performances...

# HARWOYS in



"Choir was a lot of fun and helped me overcome my fear of singing solos." -freshman, Joe Ray



"Getting into the spirit of things is what makes high school fun." -senior, Joel Curts



"Playing my solo, 'Storm,' changed many opinions on drumming."
-junior, Johnny McGinnis

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

Performances galore filled the first semester at MHS. From the annual Wagon Trails Revue to the popular Christmas play, many students, as well as teachers, spent long hours practicing to make perfect.

To start the year, the band went to many competitions and was very successful with its African field show. The first competition was at Indiana State University where the band came home with a very impressive third place trophy. Junior Scott Johnson said, "I was very pleased with the progress the band made this year. I feel confident that the future will be even better."

One of the new additions in the music program was the indoor drumline. After competing at both Bands of America and Morehead, Kentucky, the members came home with many honors, including fifth and second place finishes.

Along with the band, the orchestra was very busy. One of its first activities of the year included an elementary recruitment tour. The orchestra also hosted its second annual "Octoboo" concert, in which the members played a variety of scary music and decorated the auditorium.

"It was fun being able to act, instead of doing book work," said freshman Hannah Thomas. After many hours of preparation, the drama classes presented a production of "The Christmas Spirit," that helped bring out holiday cheer.





**Standing at attention,** senior Sarah Allison prepares to march in the homecoming parade. The band and color guard's field show led them to a successful season.





With great concentration, the orchestra quartet performs at Wagon Trails. The orchestra, as well as small groups, performed at many events throughout the year.

With much enthusiasm, the drama class carolers sing together in harmony. The annual Christmas play helped spread holiday cheer.



As part of the pep band, freshman Ben Ruoff plays his tuba at a home basketball game. The pep band helped to keep the crowd excited.

After a hard fought game, freshman Angie Coleman waits for an autograph. Key Club sponsored a basketball game coached by Pacers Travis Best and Adrian Caldwell.



Senior Ryan Lambert supervises the skills of John Young as he decorates the seniors' "Goosemobile." Sectionals allowed students to show their school spirit.

Concentrating on their work, juniors Clint Reedy and Amber Shillings put finishing touches on the newspaper. Publication staffs kept the student body informed about school activities.





**Working for their company,** seniors Jessica Franklin and Angie Mason prepare ice cream floats. Economic classes taught students how to set up and run a business.





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### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

Life for students was more than stacks of books and loads of homework. The stresses of senior research papers and extensive speeches were countered by club sponsored dances and weekly basketball games.

In between the sighs from long assignments and stressful tests, outbursts of laughter could be heard throughout the halls. Some teachers tried to find ways to make learning fun and interesting for students.

Lunch time provided a break from the monotonous class schedules suffered by many students. The hour allowed time for friends to catch up and even cram for tests.

For some students, the final bell at 2:34 signified the end of the day and a time to relax. However, for many the bell was just a midpoint of their schedule. Sports practices, club meetings, and after-school jobs consumed what was left. "I wouldn't know how to spend my time if I wasn't so involved," said senior Lisa Ellis.

No matter how busy one was, there was always time left for friends. Outside of the classroom was a world that revolved around friendships and fun times. "The best thing about high school is the opportunity to hangout with your friends," said senior Tom Snider.

The school days would always be busy and hectic. The lives of the students, however, would never pass without the memorable times and unforgettable friendships formed throughout the years.



"Covering all of the games brought me close to the heart of the action." -senior, Lindsay Hadley



"Class projects helped make the school day more exciting." -junior, Luke Thomas



"The classes were harder this year because I was trying to prepare for my future.""
-junior, Jan-Michael Scott

### Second Semester Performances...

## Always with



"It was a great year for Finesse. Our group was closer than ever before." -senior, Liz Bach



"It meant a lot to be the crowd favorite everywhere we went."
-senior, Maranda Willis



"Jazz band helped me become a better saxophonist." -freshman, Josh Skinner

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

As the cold weather set in during second semester, many MHS groups were busy practicing and going on the road for competitions.

Spotlighters and Finesse prepared for the busy contest season. For the first time ever, the Spotlighters were finalists in every competition and came home with many trophies and awards. The Spots traveled to California Showstoppers and were named fourth runner-up. Besides competing, they enjoyed traveling to Disneyland, Hollywood, and Los Angeles.

Finesse had its most successful season, earning many trophies including a grand championship at Center Grove. They later traveled to St. Louis and were named grand champions. "We had really good senior leadership, which helped us be successful," said junior Karen Parker. Along with competing, the girls enjoyed visiting Six Flags, the Arch and many of the local sights.

The orchestra continued its success with a trip to Gatlinburg, Tennessee. The group competed at the Smoky Mountain Music Festival and came home with a first place finish and outstanding solo awards. "It was a great experience being able to represent MHS out-of-state," said junior Renee Wewe.

Besides out-of-state competitions, all music groups participated in the ISSMA district competition and placed very well.

As one of the most popular events of second semester, drama presented "Barefoot In the Park."





As co-stars of "Barefoot In the Park," sophomores Kyle Huerkamp and Karen Moore give a great performance. The annual play was entertaining, as well as successful.



With the bright sun shining down, the Spotlighters perform in Disney land. Performing in California was one of the highlights of the year for the Spotlighters.

After many hours of hard work, the orchestra peforms one final time. The orchestra competed in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, and was very successful.

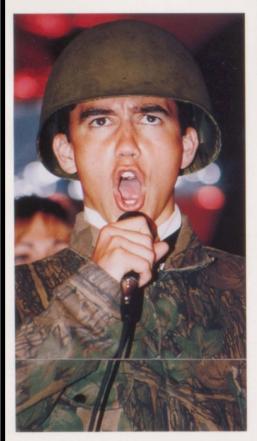




With big smiles, seniors Jolie Robling and Tara Thacker proudly accept a Finesse trophy. Finesse had its most successful season ever.

Trying to hold back tears, seniors Kristi Roberts and Lena Wilson sing "Give Me Wings." Tears were a common sight among seniors.

Yelling for the cadence count, junior Mitch DePoy leads Finesse. The army songs helped characterize the American spirit.





Singing together one last time, the seniors reflect on the good times of the past four years. The senior song left many mistyeyed and full of memories.

Displaying their American pride, choirs perform the grand finale. The American flag and medley added variety and a sense of togetherness.







### Always MENORABLE

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### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

Tears, hugs, and many laughs made up the annual Spring Spectacular. With a tribute to America, the choirs showed patriotism and pride. Along with the usual acts and choir performances, the show was a huge success.

As one of the most memorable events of the year for seniors, the realization of their final performance began to set in. "The whole time on Saturday night, all I could think about, was that this was my last performance at MHS," said senior Meghann Yoke.

In the first act, the choirs displayed their singing ability by performing their ISSMA choral selections. Solos and duets were also performed between acts. One of the favorite group acts of the night was the seniors singing "Count On Me." Senior Jackie Poehls said, "It made me sad to know that we were singing together for the last time." To finish off the first act, Spotlighters and Finesse performed their award-winning competition shows.

As a change from the usual second act, the choirs performed an American medley, ranging from military to folk songs. The "Song of America" ended with a finale of "God Bless the USA," in which all choirs sang, with senior Trent Mong as the soloist.

Along with "Give Me Wings," the choirs also did a rendition of "Brotherhood of Man." The final song left many seniors, parents, and students with tear-filled eyes and many memories.



"I was trying hard not to cry, but when I saw my friends, I just broke down." -senior, Angie Mason



"I loved being part of the group, thanks to all my friends."
-senior, Faith Wright



"Even though Spots took up a lot of time. I enjoyed every minute." -junior, Michele Cadwell

### Prom night . . .

# Always MAGAL



"My senior prom was fun because I was being myself and having a blast." -senior, Matt Frechette



"Prom was one of the best weekends of the year that I spent with my friends."

-junior, Kamille Wys



"Prom is something that I will always remember." -junior, Mitch DePoy

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

Months of planning and years of dreaming could not completely prepare the students of MHS for one of the most memorable nights of their lifetime. Prom left all who attended memories of an evening of glamour, romance, and friends.

Crowds of students in black tuxedos and formal dresses filed into the 500 Ballroom at the Indianapolis Convention Center. "In the Still of the Night" was created by stars and moons for a feeling of dancing under the night sky.

Students danced to a variety of music from romantic to fast and crazy. "YMCA" and "Macarena," along with the conga lines, became the favorites.

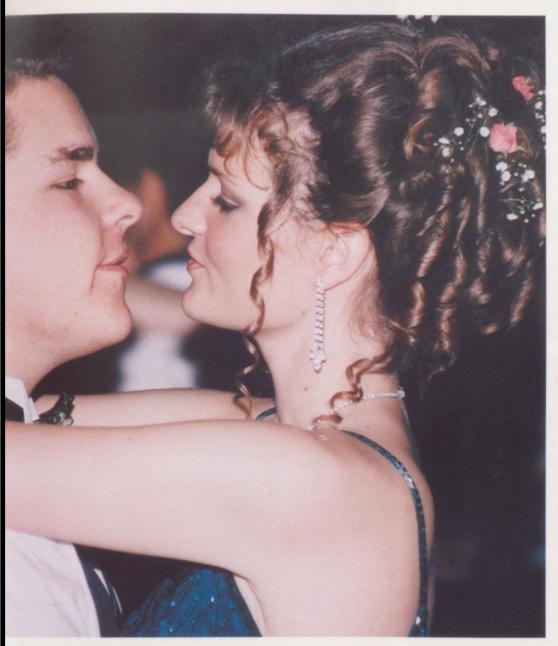
"Prom was memorable because I was having fun with all my friends," said senior Jarod Overton. Many seniors realized that prom would be one of the few times left to be with friends.

At the end of the evening, the royal court was introduced. Juniors Mitch DePoy and Kim Hicks were named Prom Prince and Princess. Prom King and Queen went to seniors Daniel Stadach and Nikole Green. "Being crowned prom king was the biggest honor I could have gotten at MHS," said senior foreign-exchange student Stadach.

Even though the dresses went back into the closets and the corsages wilted away, the memories created over the weekend would never disappear.







Staring into each others eyes are seniors Erik Blackburn and Maranda Willis as they dance through the night. Prom was a romantic evening for many couples.

Watching the action of the evening are senior Angie Mason and her date. Many were found at their tables taking a break in between dances.





Making their entrance into the ballroom, juniors Chad Cassity and Jessica Scott get an idea of the theme. Many enjoyed the stars and moons that helped create the celestial theme of "In the Still of the Night".

Leading the conga line, seniors Ryan Lambert, Matt Frechette, and Jarod Overton eventually get many others involved. Having fun with friends was on everyone's mind.

Enjoying the entry to post prom, junior Nick Sullivan and his date meet Carol Turner, a Junior Class parent, as her favorite Oz character. The post prom theme was fun for students and parents.



A special picture gives each couple who attend post promanother momento. Tables were decorated with a variety of other "Oz" items to take home.

Wearing matching outfits, junior Andy Bowers and sophomore Marlena Perry decide which game to play. Matching outfits were a way for couples to express themselves.





Trying to sink a hole in one, students at post promenjoy the many games and activities. Putt-putt was just one of the games that students could play.





# Always TETY

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

As the movie "Twister" opened in Mooresville, the high school experienced its own tornado, as the parents of the Junior Class put the finishing touches on the Post Prom's "Return to Oz."

After dancing the night away at prom, the students were ready to relax and have fun, while taking a chance at the post prom games. As the students came into the transformed gym, they "Returned to Oz" to visit Dorothy, Toto, and the Wizard.

As students entered, they were quickly sent through the tornado to enter the land of Oz. Senior Lisa Ellis said, "The entry way made me feel like I was in the movie. It made me feel like Dorothy." With balloons, bubbles and munchkins to greet them, the students were welcomed into a lot of fun.

With matching outfits and smiling faces, each student enjoyed the games, food, and prizes. With games ranging from the very popular obstacle course to the "Wheel of Oz" and the Emerald City prize center, students could be seen everywhere having a great time. "I thought the prizes were great. I really loved the giant Coke bottle," said junior Dayton Hornaday.

After the post prom, the students prepared for a long but exciting day at King's Island. The entire weekend helped create lasting memories.



"The games were fun whether we won them or not." -senior, Christina Tridle



"I thought the entry way was the neatest part of post prom." -junior, Kristy Clark



"The parents did a really good job, which made it a lot of fun." -junior, Chris Sharp

### Commencement . . .

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"Commencement was a time for me to say goodbye to my friends." -senior, Erin Miller



"High school was lots of fun, but now I'm ready for the adventures ahead of me." -senior, Jackie Poehls



"Coming together for the last time was hard. I realized that I may never see some of my friends again." -senior, Jennifer Yarnell

### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

After twelve years of preparation, the seniors' night had come. Commencement was a beginning as well as the end of many enjoyable high school memories.

For four years, the Class of '96 had joined together through thick and thin, and many friendships and bonds had been made along the way. Now, as open houses were held, final exams were taken, and caps and gowns were fitted, the seniors knew that their high school years had come to an end and the future lay ahead. Senior Micah Cordray said, "The year was very exciting and commencement was an exciting time."

Throughout the year, the seniors had gained many memories. Homecoming, Wagon Trails Revue, Sectionals, and prom made the year seem to fly by.

As the seniors marched down the aisle to the beat of "Pomp and Circumstance," mixed emotions were felt. "As I walked down the aisle, I was sad because I realized this was my last time here, but I was also happy to start a new chapter in my life," said senior Crystal Parker. While speeches were delivered by salutatorian Lorri Copeland and valedictorian Lindsay Hadley, the realization of their final time together set in.

The final commencement for Mr. Robert Grosskreutz had proved just as memorable as the others. As the seniors headed to the courtyard for the reception, their final time together as the class of '96 had come.





As they anticipate the big moment, seniors Jason Edwards and Debbie Fox enter the archway before baccalaureate. The arch was a symbol of the beginning and end of school for seniors.



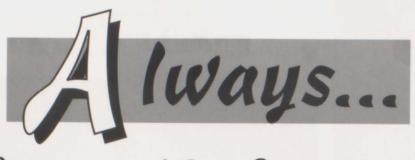


Listening intently, seniors Jason Pugh and Larry Hayes get final instructions from Mr. "G." As the final commencement for Mr. Robert Grosskreutz, this year was very special.

Instructing the class to rise, Senior Class president Jarod Overton prepares the Class of '96 for the turning of the tassels. This traditional moment created both smiles and tears.



With a warm smile and a hug, seniors Marcus Mathis and Angie Mason congratulate each other after commencement. Hugs and handshakes were a big part of the evening.



### Prepared for Anything

### Alisa Tomlinson

"Neither rain, hail, sleet or snow shall keep us from our appointed..." school days. This saying didn't just apply to mailmen during the winter months at MHS. After missing what should have been their first day back from Christmas break, students had to trek over icy roads and around mountains of snow just to reach school. The ten inches of snow that was covering the ground caused nearly five times the tardies as a regular "no snow" day according to attendance officer Mrs. Kathy Johnson.

The students were in school only two days when school was cancelled once again. Over the weekend, the additional snow and high winds, which caused drifts up to six feet deep, kept Morgan County under a snow emergency. Finally the roads reopened along with the school's doors. The main concern for many was not the thought of missing mid-winter break, however. Finals were scheduled to start the day the students returned, and no one knew what to expect.

"I was afraid they might go ahead and have finals as scheduled. Most of my books were locked inside the school," said junior Melissa Rea.

Junior Andy Bowers said, "My teachers went ahead and gave us what we needed to review the week before finals. I wasn't worried; I just went ahead and studied."

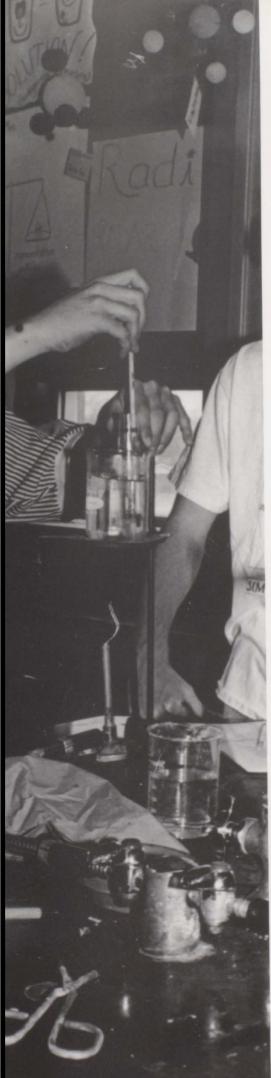
By the end of first semester, Indiana had already received nearly as much snow as it had the entire year before. The students had missed more days in a row than most could remember missing in all their previous years in school. The confusing schedules made it hard to know when to study for what.

Junior Tracy Marine said, "I was ready to come back and have a normal schedule to get finals over. It seemed like first semester would never end."

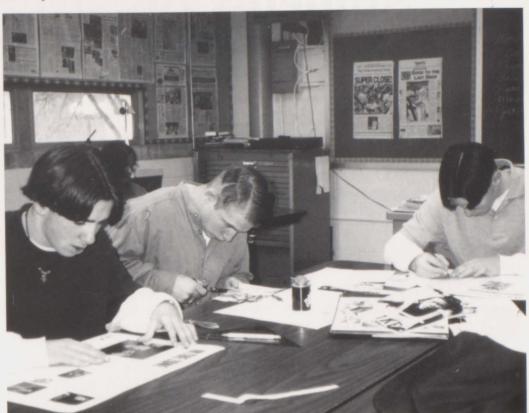
With a little help from cadet teacher Stacy Shefler, Northwood students have fun with sidewalk art. The special program gave prospective teachers experience in elementary classrooms in addition to giving elementary teachers some assistance.







As he carefully observes the results, junior Jason Wingate completes an experiment. Chemistry labs allowed students to learn about science from first-hand experience.





Cutting out and pasting magazine clippings, sophomores Josh Blackburn, Scott Terry, and Brandon Thaler try their skills designing a magazine spread. Creativity played an important role in most classrooms during the year.

Slippery footing keeps senior Jason Edwards from escaping classmate Alyson Turner's lethal snowball. The winter weather turned out to be great fun for many students.

### Students discover 'DreadedClasses'

**David Moser** 

Study, read, reread, and cram. These were common plans for passing the "dreaded classes," which ranged from physics and calculus to G/T 12. Although these classes seemed to frustrate some students, almost all participants enjoyed them.

Senior Brian McInerny said, "These classes are tough, but they prepare me for what college is really like." Even teachers would agree with this. Many teachers felt it was their job to prepare

students for the future, while virtually every teacher would make a difference if they could.

When finals rolled around, things got worse. The same students who studied, read, reread, and crammed also had to worry about prom, graduation, and preparations for college.

Senior Danna Crump said, "In the end, all the hard work is worth it. It's just really hard to get to the end." With all these events, the stress was enough to get to anyone. Just how did the upperclassmen handle all the stress?

Junior Eric Beebe said, "I like to take a nap."

Senior Angie Mason said, "I like to color with Crayola colored pencils." Other common activities included screaming, listening to music, and working out.

Most concluded, however, that whatever the stress, thelearning process developed from these classes was probably going to serve them will later.



The clues are the setting for senior Aaron Thompson's "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner?" project. This was one of many G/T English requirements.

Enjoying the demonstration as much as his students, physics teacher Mr. Dale Graves waits to see if senior Jason Hause "bails out" or really believes in science. Demonstrations kept classes lively.



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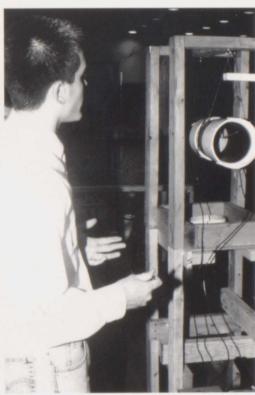
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Senior



A cannon is an impressive part of senior Matt Kurtz's Rube Goldberg device. All physics students were required to do a year end project rather than a final exam.

Concentration is essential as senior Nikki Green tries diligently to understand calculus. Calculus was a challenge for many math students and required many hours of study.





**Dreaded Classes 29** 

**Dressed for the job,** government student Jarod Overton questions witness Jeremy Shostrand. Students were able to see the judicial system in action through a mock trial.

**Grilling the witness**, Ryan Lambert tries to build a case. Acquiring facts was the biggeest challenge as students worked for their side.













### 'We the People . . .' go on trial

**Brian McInerny** 

As the bell rings, a government class empties into the hall. With voices raised, students argue through passing period and into their next class. This is no ordinary disagreement. These students are arguing about an issue that came up in their government class, and they find they have very different opinions from some classmates.

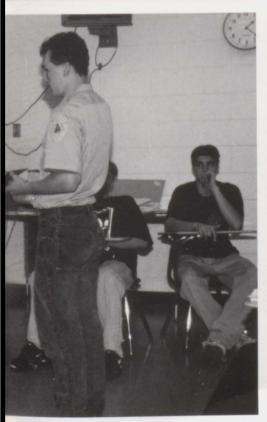
Ask students what they remembered most about government class and almost all would say the class debates. Mrs. Joyce Gilly, government teacher, said, "I hope the students learn to respect and listen to the ideas of others, but, at the same time, voice their own opinions."

In addition to traditional study of the Constitution, government students were also challenged and entertained by participating in a mock trial. This trial gave the students an interactive experience with the judicial system. Students were chosen to be lawyers, judges, witnesses, and jurors. To make the trial even more realistic, the attorneys had to present their cases to the jury, and the jury voted on a verdict.

An additional highlight for eight seniors in government was a one week trip to Washington, D.C., where students were able to see democracy at work in the real world while visiting several historical and important governmental sites.

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Mrs. Joyce Gilly, government teacher





**Swearing in witness** Ben Boyd, senior Chris Perry is complete with official uniform. Most students got into their roles with their attire.

The nation's capitol provided a learning experience for eight government students who spent a week touring with teacher Joyce Gilly.

### Languages... a link to the world

**David Moser** 

Learning to communicate more effectively was a requirement for each high school student. All students refined their English skills, and some went on to learn French, Spanish, or German. While learning another language was hard to master, many found it rewarding, and several French and Spanish students had the opportunity to try their new skills first hand when they traveled to France and Spain during summer vacation.

"You can express yourself with a language, unlike a math problem." Alisa Tomlinson,

Junior

Junior Alisa Tomlinson said, "Learning French was sometimes hard for me, but fun as well. You can express yourself with a language, unlike a math problem."

Students who took such classes as speech and drama learned public speaking skills. Although no one advanced to "politician" status, huge strides were made.

Freshman Ashley Mason said, "Drama class helped me get over my fear of talking in front of a large audience. Now I loveit!

Every MHS student was required to take English to polish basic grammar and writing skills and to study wide varieties of literature. Regular English classes prepared for entry level job skills and advanced English classes went an extra step of preparing students for college.

Senior Aaron Thompson said, "G/T class has prepared me for college by introducing me to the college curriculum and the responsibility necessary to succeed in college."



Proving that some people do look up to sophomores, Samantha Irwin reads to first graders. The sophomore G/T class writes and reads stories to Northwood students every year.

As a contemporary "Canterbury Tales" character, senior Shawn Stewart adds a new twist to an old story. Creativity was one key to excelling in language art classes.







Language students Tracy Philips and Kym Schlangen enjoy being videtaped. Later, the students watched and listened to themselves to improve their language skills.

**Dressed for the occasion,** freshman Brooke Thompson presents a demonstration speech. Afterwards, she handed out a human treat called "puppy chow."







**Delivering a version of Canterbury Tales** for Mrs. Karen Yeager's G/T 12 class is senior Andy Ray. This was the last year for G/T students to meet as a class.

Extending a Christmas greeting are drama class members Stacy Goss, William Whitman, Scott Ransom, and Terri Bilby. Drama class allowed many to overcome stage fright.

With butterfly agility and spirit, color guard member Amanda Haynes performs for the student body. Guard performed in competitions and provided entertainment at sporting events.

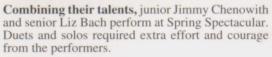
**Putting on a good show** are junior Spotlighters Mitch DePoy and Erin Newsom. Excitement from performing was a reward for the dedication and hard work.

California sun is the spotlight as senior Maranda Willis and junior Eric Beebe demonstrate their dancing skills during Disneyland Showstopper competition.. Fancy footwork was an important part of being a choir member.













### Work and fun combine in style

**Brian McInerny** 

Band, choir, orchestra, and color guard became a big part of the lives of several hundred students. Although many students thought these classes would be an easy "A," they soon discovered that performing was hard work. Guard and band began preparing in mid-summer at band camp, and most of the groups spent countless hours outside of school hours practicing for perfection.

Music classes were not all work, however. Many students enjoyed the excitement of performing and competing. Trips to California and St. Louis were the highlights of competition for Spotlighters and Finesse.

Senior Spotlighter Meghann Yoke said, "Competing with Spots was one of the most exciting things I have ever done. The rush of hearing hundreds of people cheer for you is indescribable."

Genesis and Varsity choirs didn't emhasize competition but provided basics to help students improve skills and possibley move up to Spotlighters or Finesse. Although the music classes varied in intensity and scope, all encouraged students to develop a love for music that would last a lifetime.

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Junior cellist Jennifer Ash performs at the Halloween concert. The school's music groups provided several programs to entertain the community. a spirit builder at basketball and football games.

Adding another night of "school time," Mr. Jerry Weber directs the band. The band was also

### Careers explored in special program

**David Moser** 

Although Mooresville High School offered a large variety of classes, it had certain limitations that a cooperation with Ben Davis High School could solve. Classes such as cosmetology, aviation, health occupations and food services were offered at the Indianapolis westside high school through the financial support of participating schools Avon, Brownsburg, Cascade, Danville, Decatur Central, Monrovia, Mooresville, Plainfield,

Speedway, and Tri-West.

several challenges. Ben Davis was twice as large as Mooresville, and although transportation was provided, it still involved extra effort on the part of anyone who attended; and since students spent their mornings at Ben Davis and their afternoons at MHS, it was hard to feel like a part of either school.

rificed a few regular pleasures agreed that the experience had been valuable.

vices, a four semester course, learned how to cook, clean, be a waiter, and manage a restaurant.

Doug said, "Ben Davis is not like a regular class. It teaches you about life."

As Doug looked to the future, he felt that he already had experience to become a chef and own his own restaurant.

Those students who enrolled in the classes faced However, those who met the challenges and sac-Junior Doug Fuller, who chose to take food ser-



Working diligently on her computer is vocational student Mellissa Jeannette. Mellissa received the outstanding vocational student award for her

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While taking safety into consideration, MHS senior Jason Thrasher prepares to weld. Jason traveled to Ben Davis every day to take the special vocational class.





**Preparing a chili recipe,** junior Doug Fuller works with another Ben Davis student. Doug learned how to prepare many delicious entrees as well as manage a restaurant.

Concentrating hard on his computer programming class is junior Jim Holtsclaw. The computer class provided some skills that weren't offered at MHS.







Encouraging people to sign up for a blood drive is part of juniors Crystal Rose and Tiffany Stewart's job. The health occupations class prepared students to enter into the medical field.

**Enjoying their auto mechanics class** are juniors Joshua Huff and Brian Bible. The Ben Davis vocational class taught skills that would last a lifetime.

The variety of home ec classes even provided the opportunity to design house plans. Sophomore Emily Miles puts finishing touches on one of her projects.

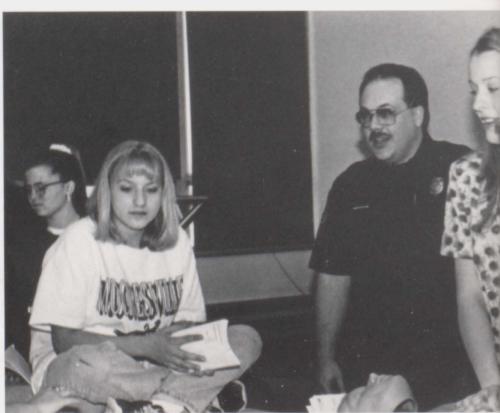
Clean-up isn't the best part, but it is an essential element of the entire planning process. Senior Jason Huneycutt hurries to finish the dishes from one meal before the bell for his next class.





As she compensates to return a tennis ball, freshman Amber Bohall completes gym requirements. A variety of physical activities were included in the class.







# Life skills classes promote basics

**Brian McInerny** 

Cooking, basketball, and driving were some of the activities promoted by practical classes that promoted basic skills. Home economics, gym, health, and driver's education allowed students to experience a different type of learning.

In driver's ed, students were taught the basics of owning and driving an automobile. "Driver's ed is a good class to take because it allows us to become experienced behind the wheel before we get our licences," said freshman Scott McInerny.

Home ec classes taught a variety of living skills in a fun and interactive way.

"The class taught me a lot about myself and others," said Robyn Pridemore.

An elective that several seniors took to escape the routine of required academics was foods. In this class, students learned how to prepare, serve, and clean-up meals with the bonus of eating their creations.

Although gym and health were required classes, most students claimed admitted that they had been helpful in many ways.

"I learned a lot about myself and how to take care of my body," said Robyn Pridemore.

"Driver's ed is a good class to take because it allows us to become experienced behind the wheel before we get our licenses." Scott McInerny, Freshman





**Junior Melissa Pearson** learns CPR in her home ec class. Several members of the local fire departments came to demonstrate life-saving skills.

Returning to the "scene of the crime" (as an MHS alumnus), police officer Tim Cummins speaks to a class about accidents and crimes.

# Math, science give challenges to many

David Moser

Studens generally spent 180 days of school in the same room with the same teacher and the same books. So how did teachers manage to keep the kids' attention?

Science teachers often turned to the power of labs and demonstrations. Mr. Dale Graves performed demos such as swinging a bowling ball, building a cannon, and other "hair raising" activities. Math teachers challenged students by building towers,

analyzing sounds, and playing math games. The results in both cases were the same: a desire to learn, which helped students find their own experiments interesting.

In biology, students got a taste of real life as they dissected various animals. In physics, students were required to do a year end project which ranged from high-tech reports to electricity experiments to building a blimp.

What could have been more exciting than seeing a real life physics application?

Senior Mike Kurtz said, "Physics was really interesting. I got to see how things really work, rather than see how numbers on a page work. It was a really hard class, but I'd never trade it."

Many other students felt the same way. Junior Randy Stafford said, "I like math and science because my career choice involves both. If I want to be a pediatrician, I need to learn both."





**Studying the anatomy of a frog**, freshmen Maura DiMeo and Heather Rodriguez complete a biology assignment. Every MHS student was required to dissect an animal.

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Senior

Finding the freezing curve of various fluids is no easy task as junior chemistry students Tiffany Webster and Sandra Floyd discover. Labs were a favorite activity for many students.





While displaying his physics project, created with the help of senior Matt Kurtz and junior David Moser, senior Phil Munzer describes the 21 step process. The project showed numerous examples of physics.

**Senior Adam Reedy explains** how a hovercraft works. A little knowledge and ingenuity took the project a long way.







**Demonstrating a chemisty procedure** is senior Courtney Haxton. Labs allowed students to learn from hands-on experience.

While saining for aquatic life, sophomore Tony Jones and junior Mike McTarsney become aquatic life themselves. The trip to Pioneer Park was a n interesting day of science for most students.

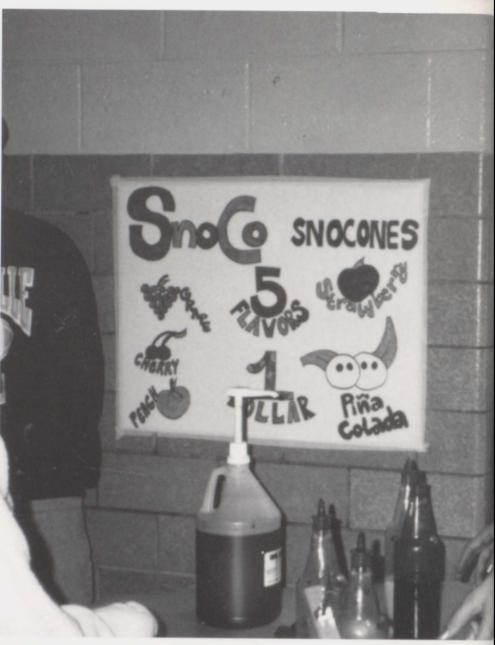
Selling snowcones during lunch, senior Erin Miller contributes to her econ class project. Students learned the basic principles of economics by running their own company.

Cooking up some fun are econ students Robin Tackett and Faith Wright. Otis Spunkmeyer cookies were a big hit with the student body.





Senior economics student, Tom Snider teaches fifth graders about owning a business. The Junior Achievement program provided several projects to teach economics on different levels.







# Business classes offer experience

**Brian McInerny** 

Applied economics, typing, accounting, and word processing classes taught students the importance of learning business oriented skills.

In economics, students gained "real-world" experience by creating and running a business. "Being president of my economics company taught me a lot about the difficulties of running your own business," said senior Tom Snider.

Each class chose a product and developed a sales plan to help promote that item. Students designed posters, produced commercials for AM MHS, and spent their lunch time trying to sell their product to the student body. To add to the realism of the effort, students also elected business officials, kept track of profits, and bought and sold stock.

Economics teacher Mr. Mike Mossbrucker said, "The purpose of the project is to give students hands-on experience with what they learned in class."

Economics taught students about the stock market, entrepreneurship, and the financial responsibilities they would face in the future.

Other classes such as typing, accounting, and word processing also taught such essentials as the use of a typewriter and keeping records.

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Comparing the printout with the screen, senior Lena Wilson looks over her work in one of the tech prep classes. Students learned a variety of computer applications in these courses.

Concentrating on her assignment, sophomore Tracy Bash completes a word processing task. Most students felt the need to learn word processing

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# Creative students enjoy art classes

**David Moser** 

Throughout the day, students were challenged to think and express themselves in a variety of ways, and the Art Department alone provided many of them.

While some students had the perfect eye for photography, others preferred to paint or draw.

Some, including junior Katherine Paschal, even discovered career possibilities. Pascal said, "Commercial design has been

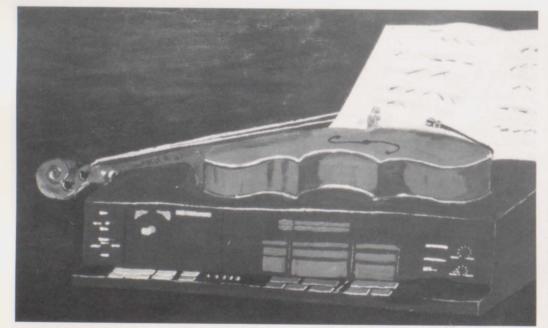
my favorite class because I had a lot of fun designing advertisements and watching it all come together. It also helped me decide what I want to do with my life."

One of the great things art classes allowed was creativity. Unlike math classes, students could express their stress or happiness in a concrete form. Whether they were drawing the face of death or representation of God, they knew they could never be told they were wrong.

Art teachers didn't seem to mind that some students just took art for enjoyment. Art teacher Mr. Brinton Farrand said, "I'd rather see students take up art as a hobby, rather than pursue it as a career."

Another positive result was the recognition art students received from their projects. At the end of the year, many entered their creations in the Tri Kappa Art Show and returned with several awards.





Having unique qualities, senior Brandon Bowen's artwork is never boring. Brandon's "Classical Modern Music" placed first at the Tri Kappa Art Show in acrylics.

Sophomore Morgan Roddy pays close attention to detail as she begins a jewelry project. Morgan was among several first place winners in art competition.







**Striving for perfection** is no easy job as junior Johnny McGinnis discovers. Johnny's three years of art classes helped him accomplish several overall goals.

Concentration is required to create a masterpiece, as freshman Jeremy Herron demonstrates. The art classes provided instruction in a variety of artistic skills.





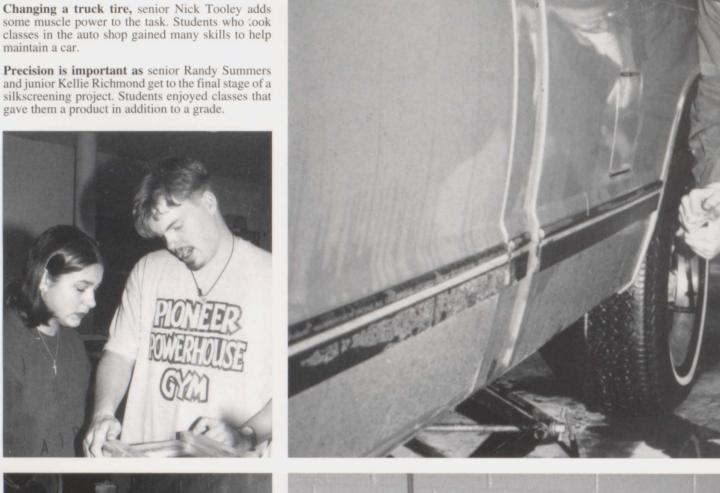


Copying a commercial drawing, sophomore Darci Bodell makes a nearly pefect representation. Her effort won a first in mixed media at the Tri Kappa art show.

While creating a Coca Cola bear, junior Kelly Coleman enjoys herself. Kelly's work also won recognition in local competition.

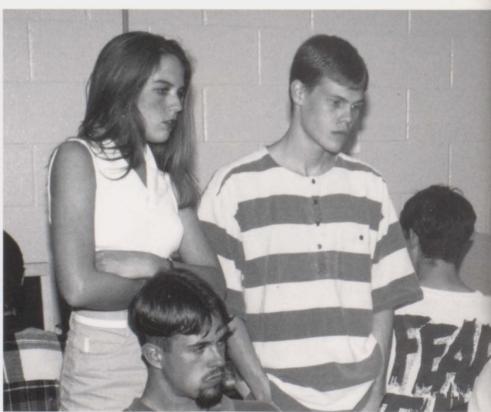
Changing a truck tire, senior Nick Tooley adds some muscle power to the task. Students who took classes in the auto shop gained many skills to help maintain a car.







**Teamwork helps** as sophomores Travis Pierce and Eric Smith work on a lawnmower engine in the auto shop. A variety of engines became homework assignments in automechanics.





# Hands-on classes offer variety of skills

**Brian McInerny** 

Although there was a strong emphasis on academic classes, many students still pursued industrial arts courses to help them prepare for specific career goals or to teach them some basic life skills needed for home or automobile repair.

"Everyone, at some time in their life, will be in contact with a home and a car. These classes teach students the skills they need to help maintain them," said industrial arts teacher Mr. Kelly Maxfield.

Measuring and the use of basic math abilities are some of the skills that students gained through industrial arts. The use of power tools was also a major aspect that was taught. Many of the tools that the students learned to use would also be used if the students chose to pursue a career in the industrial arts field.

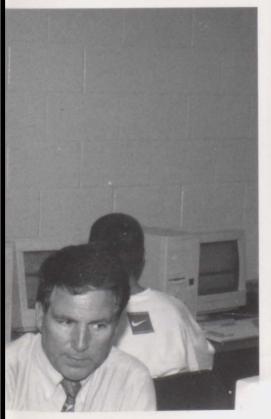
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Freshman Jeremy Heron said, "I have learned more useful skills while working with my hands than I have by just reading and writing in my other classes."

Industrial art classes also exposed students to new hobbies from model-building to wood carving that they would enjoy for the rest of their lives.

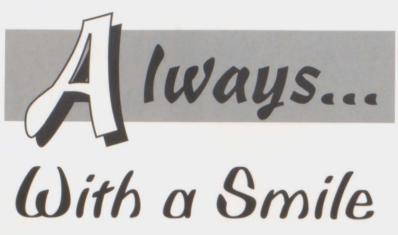
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As drafting students watch, Mr. Karl Brown demonstrates a computer program. Students in this class gained skills for art and engineering fields.

Freshman Troy Fields shapes a piece of metal in metal working class. Students enjoyed the handson experience they gained in such classes.



### Alisa Tomlinson

Most students had heard familiar sayings such as "Smile and the world smiles with you," or "Laughter makes the world go 'round." To many people, these were words to live by.

"Smiling and laughing helps me enjoy school more and makes people want to be around me," said junior Traci Bridget.

Joking around and laughing helped to reduce the stress and pressures of classes and grades. Junior Katherine Paschal said, "It doesn't matter how bad someone feels, a good laugh can make anyone feel better."

Students had to grin and bear the three months between Christmas vacation and spring break without the usual vacation days. It was a time when stress was high and tolerance was low for both students and teachers. Due to the constant pressure, everyone found different ways to relieve the tension. Being with friends, relaxing, and laughing were popular choices for many. Senior Faith Wright said, "I try to concentrate on the good and funny things that happen. Those are the kind of memories I want to take with me when I leave."

Many happy memories were made while friends laughed and joked together. Even through the hardest of times, students and teachers alike learned that a good laugh could make a day brighter.



Wearing a bright smile for her choir's performance, freshman Jessica Barnhill performs for the first time at MHS. Smiles and happy faces were always an important part in all the choirs' shows.



Dancing with daughter Audrey, Mr. Brinton Farrand proves prom is not just for kids. Prom night was attended by a majority of students from the junior and senior classes.





Along with fellow classmates, juniors Chad Robinson and Joni Thrasher cheer on their class during the Homecoming Pep Session. The day was a fun-filled time to celebrate Pioneer Pride.





**Junior Mitch DePoy** enjoys the time he spends with fellow Spotlighters. Showchoir contests always provided a great time for both Finesse and Spots.

Seniors Lindsay Hadley and Kellie Norton have a good laugh at the annual Christmas dance. Dances gave students the opportunity to relax and have fun.

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### Express spirit at last homecoming

### Lorri Copeland and Crystal Parker

Homecoming was an exciting time for seniors. It created special memories that would last a lifetime. There were activities that everyone could get involved in. Blue and gold faces, new friendships, and unity were dominant during homecoming week.

"Everyone was more spirited and there was much more student participation," said senior Lisa Ellis.

Hard work and determination during float building gave a feeling of pride and satisfaction. Hoping for a "3-peat" year, the seniors came up short with a second place. Although the float was the first to include running water, it was not enough to win a first place.

Senior Doug Leeper said, "In the words of Mr. G., it was 'fantastic.'"

Painting senior jeans, ordering senior shirts, receiving paddles, and playing powder puff added to the

Senior Matt Frechette said, "Coaching powder puff was a lot of fun, especially having my girls win." Girls' personalities were shown through artistic ability on their brightly painted jeans.

"Even though we lost, our team fought hard and worked together. I wanted a victory on my senior homecoming, but we greatly improved as a team and that is what really matters." said Kevin Doyle.

Taking a moment to remember, senior Courtney Fishero loses concentration of the game. Many seniors were saddened by the thought of their last homecoming.

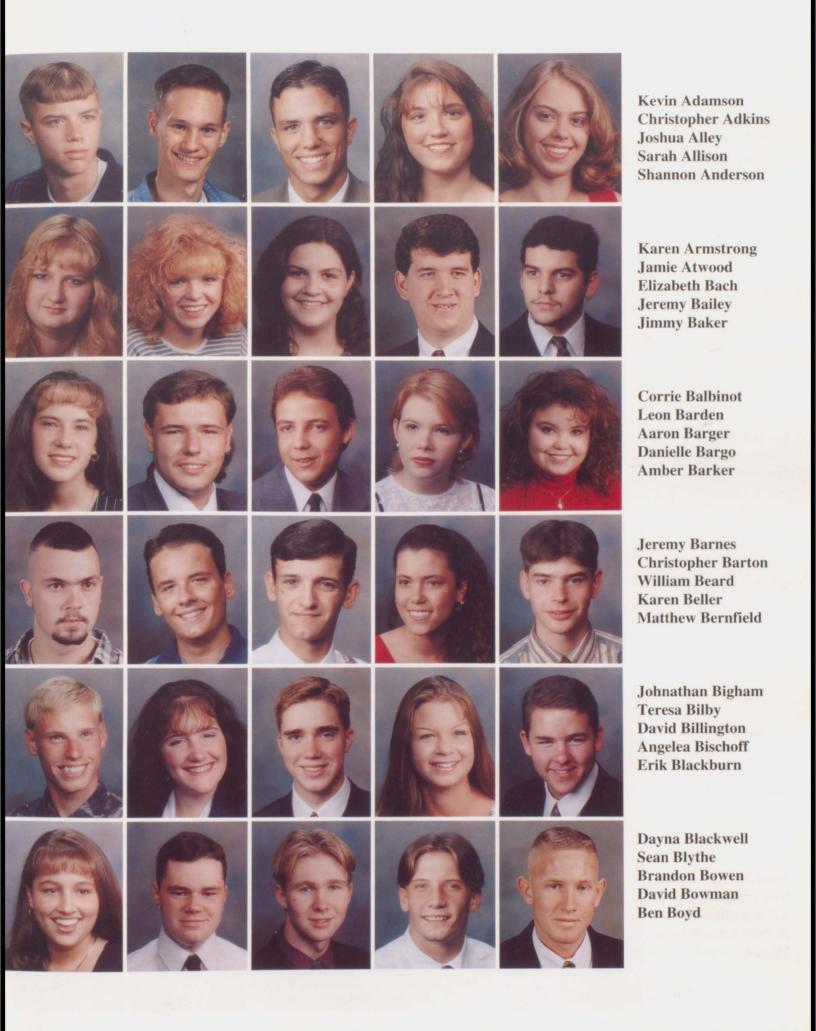


Determined to win, the guys get pumped about the evening game. As a tradition, the seniors gave last words of encouragement.

Excited about their victory, the powder puff team shows Pioneer pride and spirit. This was the first time this class had won the homecoming festivities.







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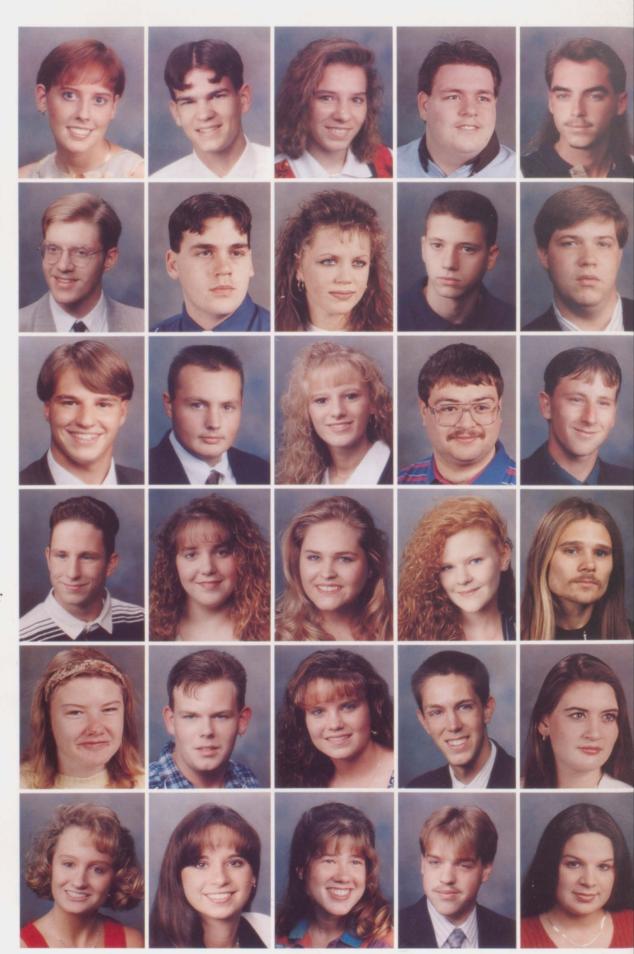
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Amanda Coleman Randall Cooper Lorri Copeland Micah Cordray Mandi Corwin

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## ecisions

### Seniors choose different paths

Lorri Copeland

As many students started their senior year, decisions about the future had to be made. Some planned to attend local colleges or trade schools, while others opted for the military or the work force.

For those who chose to attend a four-year college, it was a difficult process. Size of the campus, anticipated majors, location, and cost were all considered when selecting a university.

Senior Ryan Goldsberry made his choice early. "I've always wanted to go to I.U., because they have an excellent business school," he said.

Some hoped to go into the military to get financial help before college. With G.I. bills and reserve programs, the armed services often helped many pay for college.

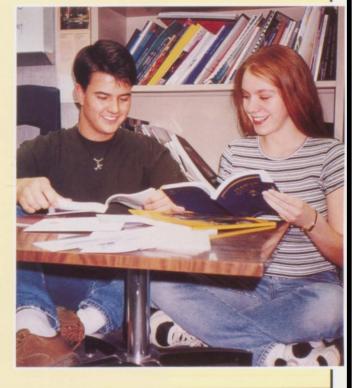
"The Air Force will pay for 75% of my college right after I get out in four years," said senior Karen Armstrong.

Others wanted to take a year to earn extra money before college, and teenagers felt that they needed a break. Senior Jenny Shake chose this path.

"My parents have the money, but I wanted to take a break before college. Getting a job will help me decide which career to choose," she said.

As each member of the Class of 1996 tried to plan for his or her own unique future, everyone hoped to choose the path that would eventually lead to the most success.

Seniors Trent Mong and Tabitha Moss look through different books to decide which college to attend. The guidance office was a common place to find indecisive seniors.













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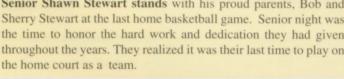
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# Class of 1996

# Make for special memories

**Crystal Parker** 

Senior Shawn Stewart stands with his proud parents, Bob and Sherry Stewart at the last home basketball game. Senior night was the time to honor the hard work and dedication they had given throughout the years. They realized it was their last time to play on





"You get to do that when you're a senior."

"Not until you're a senior."

These phrases were commonly heard by underclassmen, and may be one reason the senior year was so special. There were extra privileges given to many throughout their senior year.

Although the last year of school was not easy, many new opportunities and privileges made everything balance out. There were several offered to everyone.

The first twenty students in the class were given a special banquet. It was exciting to be recognized for the work done in the past four years.

Another perk for being a senior was to rule the court. They were the only ones who could be nominated for king or queen at a special event such as prom.

Usually one or two days were given to every senior to preview colleges or universities. It was intended to help them decide on where they would further their education, although some students found other purposes for this day.

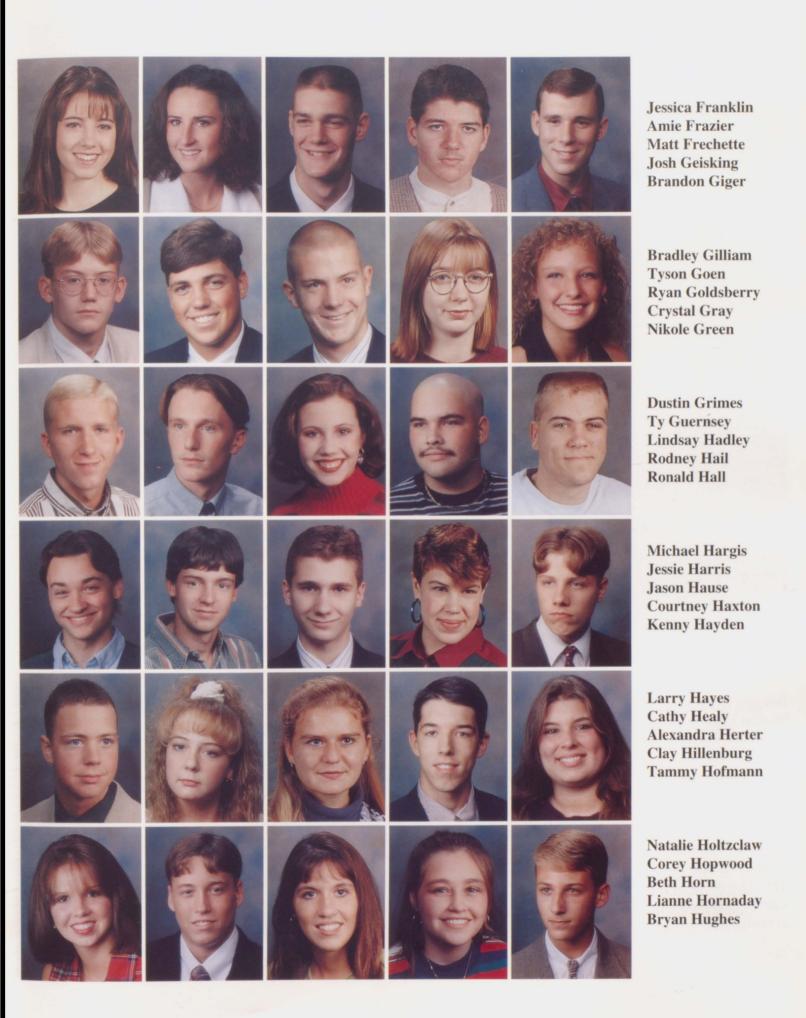
At most extracurricular activites, seniors had a sad, yet exciting moment known as "Senior Night."

Getting paddles, senior pictures, and, of course, ordering announcements were all special events throughout the year. These exceptions, or special privileges, added a little spice for the seniors and was something they looked forward to.

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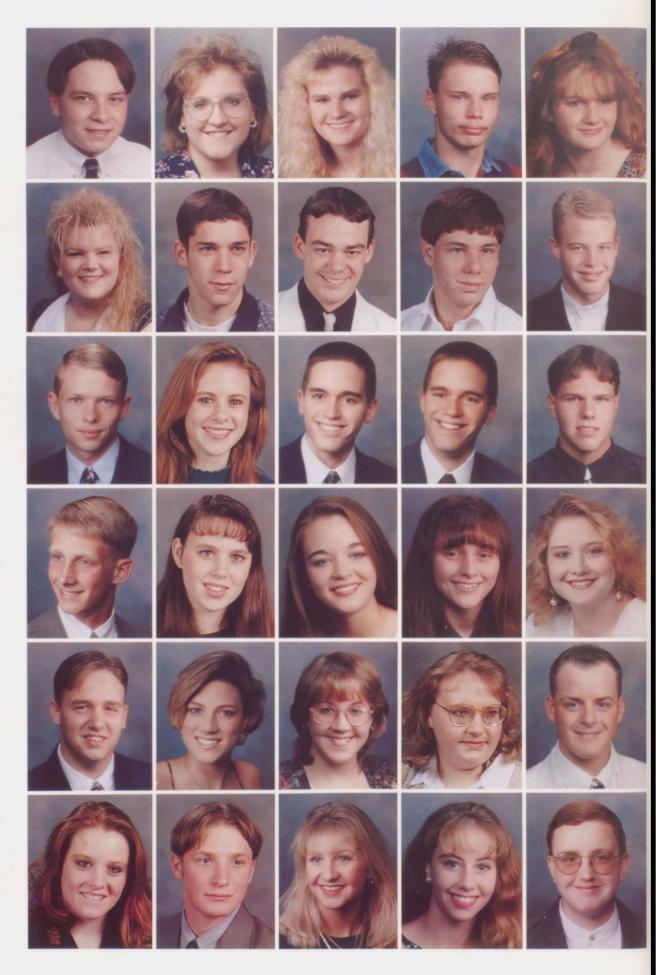
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Christine Llewellyn Ryan Lohman Terra Lowe Christina Lundy Jeremy Lykins





## motions

### Bring bittersweet memories

### Maranda Willis

Most students thought that being a senior would be the greatest experience of their high school careers. When time arrived, one side of reality soon changed their minds. Homework piled up, and for some, social lives became an image of their past. Seniors quickly learned of stress that would cause constant headaches until May 25.

Aside from the stress, seniors were able to enjoy the more spirited activities like basketball, wrestling, and other competitions. They had a blast cheering on their schoolmates as the boys basketball team captured a new school record for the most wins in a season. The seniors had feelings of pride leading their school to success. It has been said that "all good things must come to an end," but most seniors did not want them to end so soon.

Everyone daydreamed about the days when he or she would be able to escape the immaturities of high school, be somewhat free, and explore the new experiences of college. Yet, the faster days went by, the more emotional seniors became. Their personalities could be described as one giant mood swing. Seniors began to realize that they would no longer be the leaders that participated in sports and other competitions. They would be leaving the comforts of friends, teachers, and the school where they had grown together. They were ready to go in their minds, but their hearts kept tugging them back.

Posing with the "goose-mobile" are seniors Bryan Hughes, John Young, Lindsay Hadley, Beth Horn, Kelli Norton, Erin Miller, and Tara Thacker. For the boys basketball Sectionals, several seniors got together and painted an old van to display their school spirit and support their team. The opponents must have noticed since its tires were flat after the victory.

















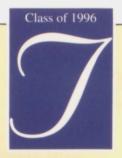






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# Op Twenty Hard work pays off

Dana Crump



After seven semesters of hard work and determination, the grades were turned in, and the Top 20 was finally announced. Many of these students were excited and relieved that all of their hard work and determination had finally paid off.

Many of these people had set this goal for themselves since the very first day they set foot in MHS as a student.

"Ever since I was a freshman, it has been a goal to be in the Top 20 of my class. It has taken a lot of hard work, but I think it is all definitely worth it," said Jeremy Lykins.

"All the hard work finally paid off when I found out I was going to graduate in the Top 20. I felt a sense of pride to know that I had accomplished such a feat. Not only is being in the top twenty an honor to be proud of, it is also something that will help to get a scholarship or two for my college education," said Trent Mong.

The honor of the top twenty was more than making high gradesince many of the students took accelerated classes such as physics and calculus.

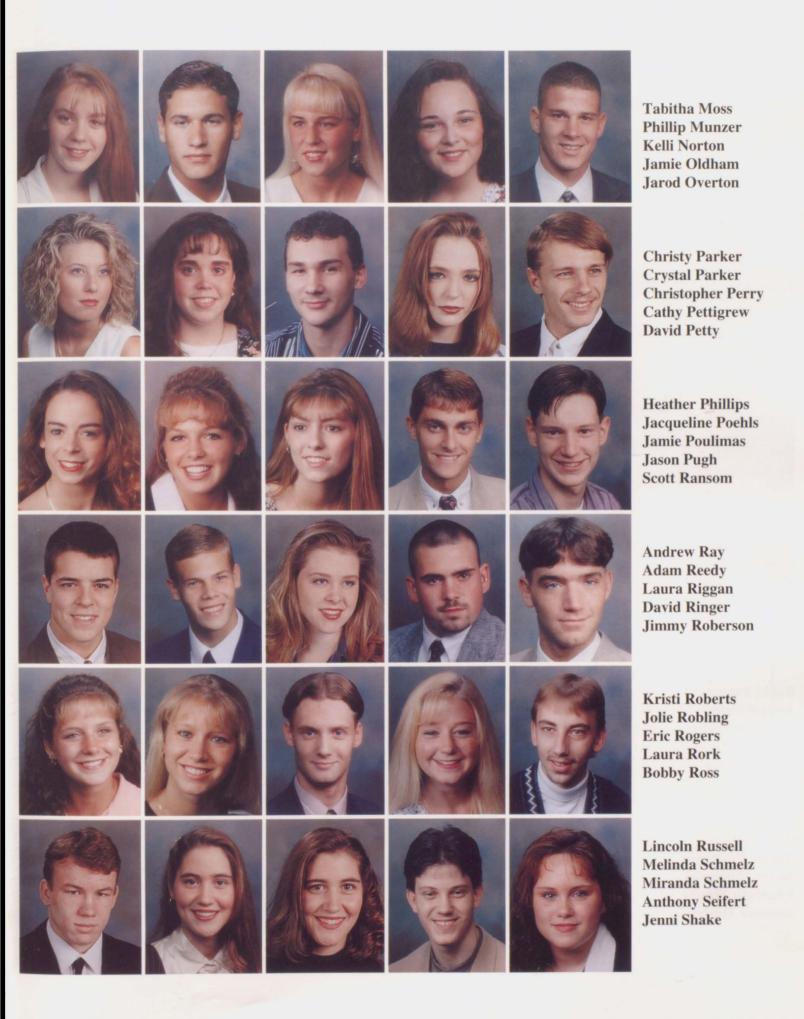
In many cases, students had to sacrifice fun for studying, but in the end they had no regrets.

The Top Twenty -- Front: Leigh Ann Langlais, Mandy Schmelz, Jason Hause, Dana Crump, Trent Mong, Jackie Poehls, Tom Snider, Kristi Roberts, Jeremy Lykins, Christina Tridle, Phil Munzer, Courtney Fishero, Kelly McCormick, Robert Mathers, Aaron Thompson, Mindy Schmelz, Maranda Willis, Lorri Copeland, Lindsay Hadley, and Brian McInerny..

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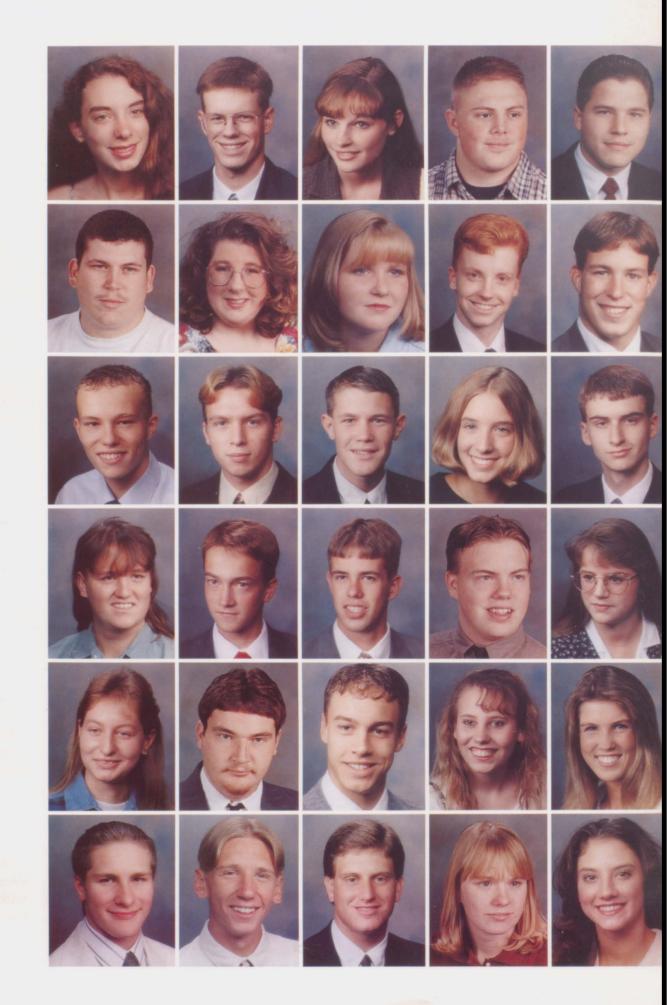
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Bret Thomas Aaron Thompson Jason Thompson Elizabeth Tinsley Jennifer Tinsley



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### Causes agony but comes with reward

### Dana Crump and Maranda Willis

Research papers, college applications, and deadlines were enough to give every senior a headache screaming for relief. Graduation looked better and better when themes, grades, and extracurricular activities were swarming in front of their faces.

Most seniors were required to write a research paper to graduate. For weeks up until the due date, free time became a thing of the past. Along with the research paper, there was still a lot of homework, projects, and themes that continued to pile up on the tired, worn- out senior. Schoolwork became a top priority for some who were trying to get accepted into college.

Trying to figure out which college to apply to was a big decision to make. Sometimes just filling out the application was a chore. Essays, teacher recommendations, high school transcripts, and ACT/SAT scores were all included with a \$25-35 fee for the application. It could get really expensive for seniors who applied to many colleges.

Money was a big part of being a senior. Every senior had to pay \$30 for his cap and gown rental and medallion. Graduation announcements, senior pictures, senior paddles, a yearbook, powderpuff uniforms, and school sweatshirts or T-shirts for various organizations were all optional items that would leave special memories.

The most memorable experiences for the seniors were the fun activities. Early in the fall, homecoming was the first "reality check" that the seniors would be celebrating their last year at MHS. Many seniors found themselves in the stands at more events supporting their peers. Wagon Trails Revue, Spotlighter and Guard competitions, basketball games, and wrestling meets kept people busy throughout the year.

In deep concentration, Matt Kurtz works diligently to finish his physics homework. Seniors often found themselves suffering from homework overload, using every spare minute to study.



Spending time with friends was important to most college-bound seniors who knew they would be going their separate ways in the upcoming year. Many formed study groups which enabled them to spend quality time with their homework and their friends.

All of these memories ultimately led to graduation. It was bittersweet for most. Everyone was excited to finally gain independence, but they all knew life would never be the same after they walked out the doors of MHS for the last time.



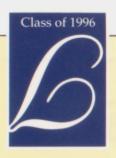








Nicholas Tooley Christina Tridle Alyson Turner Dee Ann Turner Lee Turner



# eaders Make for a successful year

**Crystal Parker** 

Senior Class officers put in many hours of hard work, and they played a major role trying to make commencement run as smoothly as possible.

"The senior class is a good team, and we got along well together," said vice-president Jackie Poehls.

President Jarod Overton said, "This year was a lot of hard work, but knowing I was making a difference in the class made it all pay off."

Not only was commencement special for the students, but also for the sponsors. This was Mr. Robert Grosskreutz and Mrs. Sue Stewart's last year in charge of the commencement ceremony.

Senior Class officers: Jackie Poehls, vice-president, Mandi Corwin, secretary, Jarod Overton, president, and Matt Frechette, treasurer. This was Jackie and Mandi's fourth year as officers, Jarod's second and Matt's first.

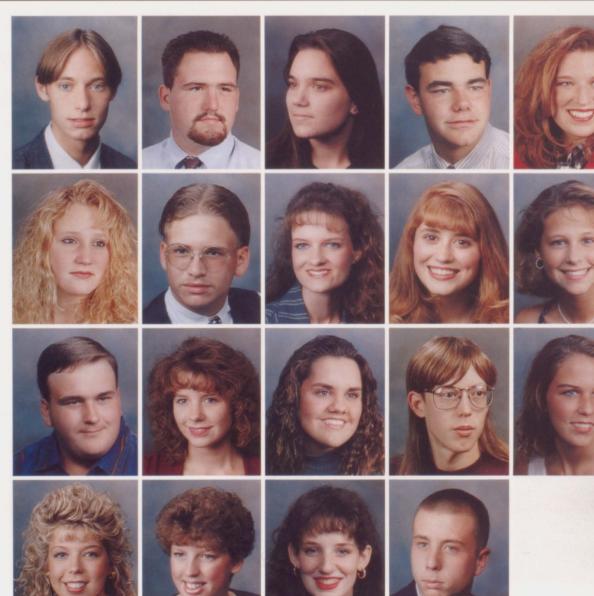


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Jennifer Yarnell Heather Yoder Meghann Yoke John Young



**Enjoying each other's company**, Kathy Hunsucker and Matt Wilson dance the night away. Prom was a time for couples and special friends. Memories made there would last a lifetime.





Senior Kelli Norton runs trough the obstacle course with visions of prizes in her head. She and date Matt Frechette took the copetition very seriously.



Reflecting on memories of MHS, Brad Breedlove waits for commencement ceremonies to begin. Graduation was a goal that many students hoped to achieve.



Crowned for the second time in one year, queen Nikole Green shares the traditional dance with king Daniel Stadach. Many members of the class cheered when they heard the foreign exchange student's name.



The Finesse showchoir seniors celebrate their last victorious competition. They finished their successful season with a trip to St. Louis.

### Scholarships and Awards

Mooresville Ministerial Association Senior Awards-Paul Jones, Meghann Yoke

William R. Curry Memorial Scholarship Deborah Fox

V.F.W. Scholarship Brian McInerny, Sarah Allison

United States Marine Corps Senior Athletic- Brad Breedlove Outstanding Senior- Lindsay Hadley

American Legion Awards Scholastic- Brad Breedlove, Joe Endsley Citizenship-Nicole Smith , Steve Bruner Girls State Delegate- Karen Parker

United States Army Senior Athletes Shawn Stewart, Jackie Poehls

Lions Club Award
Scholarships - David Billington, Heather
Lancaster
Boys State Delegate - David Moser

Alpha Delta Kappa Scholarship Kelli Norton

Kappa Kappa Kappa Girls State Delegate -Megan Schneider Sr. Girl 4 year scholastic- Lindsay Hadley Academic Awards-Deborah Fox, Heather Lancaster, Tom Snider, Maranda Willis

Chamber of Commerce Senior Scholarship- David Whaley, Lorri Copeland

**Delta Theta Tau Scholarship** Kelli Norton, Matthew Kurtz

**Dr. James H. Bivin Scholarship** Steve Bruner

Kendrick Health Care Scholarship Dana Crump, Heather Phillips

**Greg, Margaret Kellum Worsham Grant** Kathy Hunsucker, John Young

Kappa Kappa Sigma Elsie Record Achievement Award Steve Bruner, Angie Mason

Charles F. Olive B. Flater Memorial Award Jennifer Tinsley

With a warm hand shake, senior Lorri Copeland accepts her scholarship. Special guest Sammy Davis presented the award given in his honor.

Kappa Delta Phi Scholarship Erika Wilson

Kiwanis Club Curry /Overton Memorial Award Miranda Schmelz

Outstanding Vocational Students Mellissa Jeanette, Angela Melvin

American Red Cross Lifesaving Craig Wilkins

Sammy Davis Scholarship- Lorri Copeland

Franklin College Scholarship Lindsay Hadley

Hoosier Scholars Lindsay Hadley, Lorri Copeland

Business
Keyboarding/Typewriting -Crystal Schmidt,
Lucas Lykins
Accounting I - Jennifer Tinsley

Home Economics- Kristy Shockley

Mathematics
Outstanding SeniorsBrian McInerny, Robert Mathers
Outstanding JuniorsKatherine Paschal, Scott Johnson

German Awards

1st year -Angie Coleman 2nd year -Danny Bradley, Kyle Huerkamp Advanced German Award -Kathy Schweigen, Jeremy Lykins

French Awards

2nd year - Jenni Beyersdorfer 3rd year- Alisa Tomlinson 4th year- Crystal Parker Special Recognition: Lorri Copeland, Christina Tridle

Spanish Awards

1st year - Thomas Moffat 2nd year - Jamie Reed Advanced-Margilyn Williamson, Scott Johnson

Social Studies Lugar Day Conference-Marci Allen, Sean O'Riley

Science Award Matthew Kurtz, Phillip Munzer

Ecology Club Awards
Sarah Allison, Kelly McCormick, Kelly
Ward

Opportunity Program
Jennifer Carter, Mark Carter





Craig Wilkins accepts an award from the American Red Cross Association. Wilkins saved his mother's life by performing CPR after she was struck by lightning.

Receiving an award from Delta Theta Tau is senior Kelli Norton. She also was awarded the Alpha Delta Kappa scholarship.





Speech David Whaley

**Publications Leadership Awards** 

AM MHS -Greg Marine, Adam Burleson, Jason Edwards, Ryan Lambert

Yearbook - Megan Schneider, Jennifer Ash, Josh Alley, Crystal Parker

Newspaper - Lindsay Hadley, Micah Cordray, Jarod Overton

Harvey Awards-

Micah Cordray, Lindsay Hadley Indiana High School Journalism Institute Awards- Lindsay Hadley

Gary Butcher Attendance Award Steve Bruner, Greg Marine

Academic Super Bowl Awards Melissa Rea, Anthony Basso

Music Awards

Band:

PSI Cinergy Scholarship- Kym Schlangen Louis Armstrong Jazz -Erik Blackburn John Phillip Sousa-

Maranda Willis, Erik Blackburn

Choir:

Genesis -

**Outstanding Performers-**

Amber Mertins, Kym Schlangen

**Outstanding Vocalists-**

Lorraine Mong, Josh Skinner

Spirit

Lora Rogers, Karissa Wys

Varsity-

**Outstanding Performers-**

Sarina Kaufman, Jordan Graves

**Outstanding Vocalists** 

Dawn Cress, Randy Summers

Student body president Lindsay Hadley and Senior Class president Jarod Overton present Mr. Robert Grosskreutz with his "ticket" to Norway. Despite many years of dedication and hard work, he was very surprised with the gift.

Spirit

Nicole Williams, Kylee Coy

Finesse-

**Outstanding Performer** 

Renee Wewe

**Outstanding Vocalist-**

Faith Wright,

Spirit-

Liz Bach

Spotlighters-

Outstanding Perfromers- Jennifer Yarnell,

Kristi Roberts, Mitch DePoy

**Outstanding Vocalists-**

Trent Mong, Megan Schneider

Spirit Awards-

Joel Curts, Lindsay Hadley

Outstanding Crew Member- Ben Ruoff

Outstanding Band Member- Brandon Giger

Student Council Senior Awards- Josh Alley, Lisa Ellis, Lindsay Hadley, Marcus Mathis, Nikole Green, Erin Miller, Jarod Overton, Kelli Norton, Jackie Poehls, Mandi Corwin, Matt Frechette, David Billington, Brian Evans, Chad Smith, Kirsten Crooke, Beth Horn, Jolie Robling, Jason Edwards, Jeremy Manning, Ryan Lambert, Maranda Willis

Top Ten Seniors Class of 1996

Valedictorian- Lindsay Hadley, Salutatorian-Lorri Copeland, Brian McInerny, Maranda Willis Kelly McCormick, Melinda Schmelz, Robert Mathers, Aaron Thompson, Courtney Fishero, Miranda Schmelz.

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"It was really a great victory... we finally beat the seniors!" Mitch DePoy, Junior

## Juniors Ring Up A Victory

### Meghann Yoke

Float paper, cardboard, and staple guns kept most members of the Junior Class busy during Homecoming festivities.

After coming in second as sophomores, it was a great triumph for the class when they took the first place title away from the senior "repeat" winners. The theme of the float, "Ring Up A Victory," centered around a huge cash register which opened and closed and was filled with Avon Orioles.



The Junior Class cashes in for first place with "Ring Up A Victory.

Junior Class president Mitch DePoy said, "It was a really great victory because we won first place in the float competition, but mostly because we finally beat the seniors!"

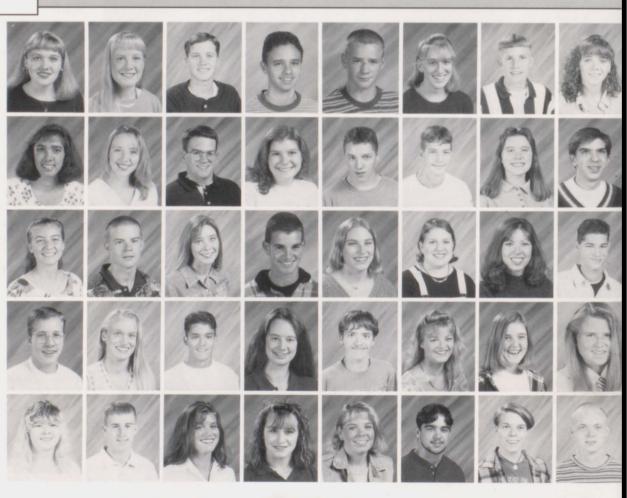
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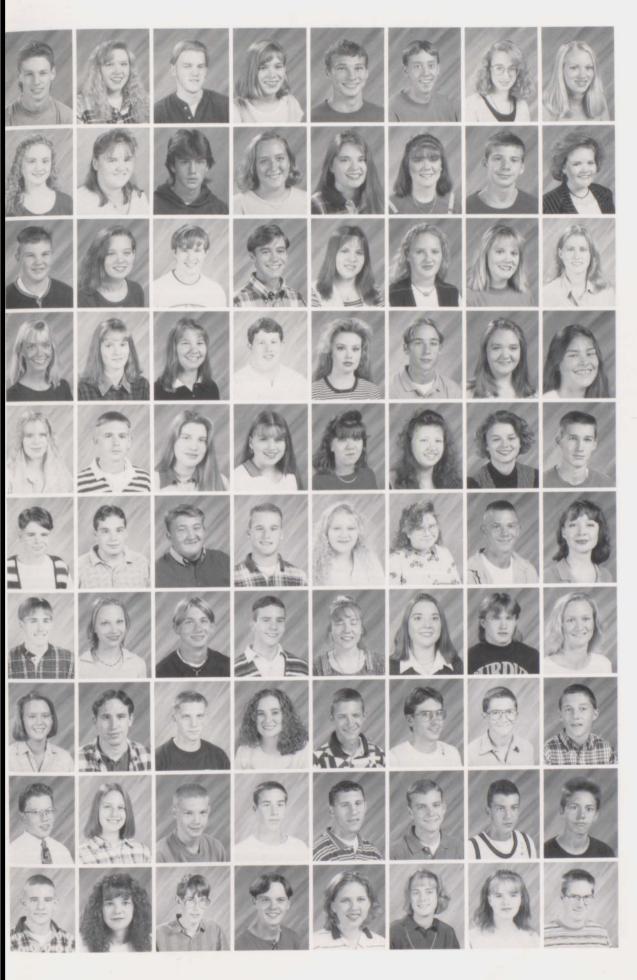
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Leia Martin Audrey Matlock John McClain Jennifer McDaniel Johnny McGinnis Lois McGlauchlen Andy McGuire Thomas McPeak

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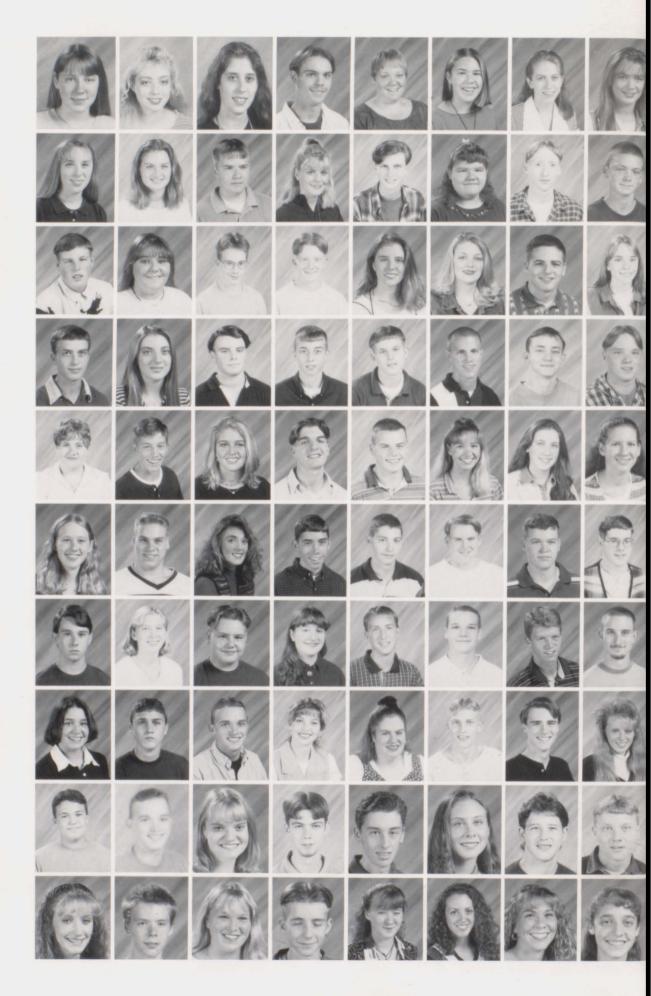
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Chris Rutherford Brian Schank Megan Schneider Elijah Schroeder Dustin Schrougham Kathy Schweigen Brock Scott Jan-Michael Scott

Jessica Scott Joshua Scott Joanna Shake Chris Sharp Tina Sharp Amber Shillings Amber Shirley Lori Silcox



Junior Kathy Schweigen gets help from her counselor Ms. Beth Henry. Juniors who got a head start on the college search process received better results in the end.

### **Class of 1997**

### Preparing For The Future

Being put under the pressure of keeping up grades, getting an early start taking the SAT and/or ACT, and having the responsibility of many after school activities such as concerts, contests and athletic events, the new upperclassmen were stepping closer and closer into their future.

Junior Alisa Tomlinson said, "There is a lot of pressure because you know that whatever you do now reflects on what college you may be able to attend in the future."

Receiving more mail than usual also became a junior ritual. Some almost dreaded opening their bulging mailboxes. Eric Beebe said, "They [college brochures] all make themselves look so good, it is difficult to choose which one is the best for me."

There was also the pressure of assuming responsibility to be the new leaders for the school the next year. As spring rolled around and elections were conducted, the reality of leadership began. Amanda Watson said, "It is strange to think that next year, we have to be role models."



Chris Skinner Terry Smith Toni Smith Amy Spearman Jeremy Spears Randy Stafford Amanda Stephens Chris Stephens

Cara Steves Tiffany Steward Nick Sullivan Cyndy Taft McKenzie Taylor Luke Thomas Kari Thompson Jason Thrasher

Joni Thrasher Alisa Tomlinson Sharon Trader Jason Turner Katie Underhill Sonya Vail Danial Warren Amanda Watson

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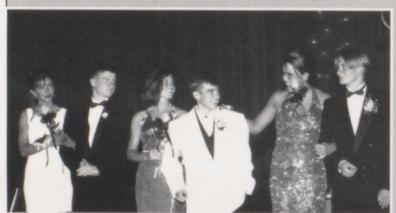
### Juniors receive recognition

Meghann Yoke

Every Junior Class faces the responsibility of proving itself good leaders. Class members must show that they have the potential to become good role models as seniors. The Class of '97 achieved a variety of awards, as well as proving themselves to be good leaders in the future.

Early in the year they began to show leadership as they were honored in the areas of: academics, sports, and activities. As the year progressed, so did the juniors' accomplishments. They gave underclassmen and teachers confidence in their leadership skills. They started to come together as a class of leaders, and as the year came down to an end; they felt united under the title of "The Class of 1997."

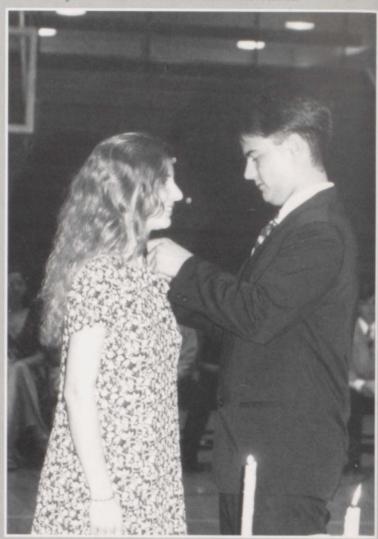
Junior prom court members Emily Bernfield, Brad Bennett, Michelle Cadwell, Kim Hicks and Shaun Guernsey congratulate Mitch DePoy as he is announced prom prince. Kim Hicks was named princess.





**Principal William Overholser congratulates** Junior Kari Thompson during National Honor Society induction. Twenty-two new members were added to the group during the ceremony.

As a new member of Honor Society, junior Sarah Beeler receives a pin from senior Trent Mong. In May, senior Honor Society members inducted the new junior members at an all-school convocation.





Concentration and a good ear help Jennifer Ash contribute to the orchestra's cello section. The orchestra kept up its championship reputation with competition during a spring trip to Gatlinburg.

### Sophomores

### Get A License To Drive

### Meghann Yoke

To many students, the sophomore year was pretty normal. The students had settled into high school and had started to fit into a new way of life. For many, however, their sophomore year meant more than no longer being a freshman. It also meant getting their driver's license.

Getting their license made many feel a little older. Amy Casamer, a new "safe" driver said, "The biggest part of getting your license is the freedom, but there is a lot of responsibility that goes along with it."

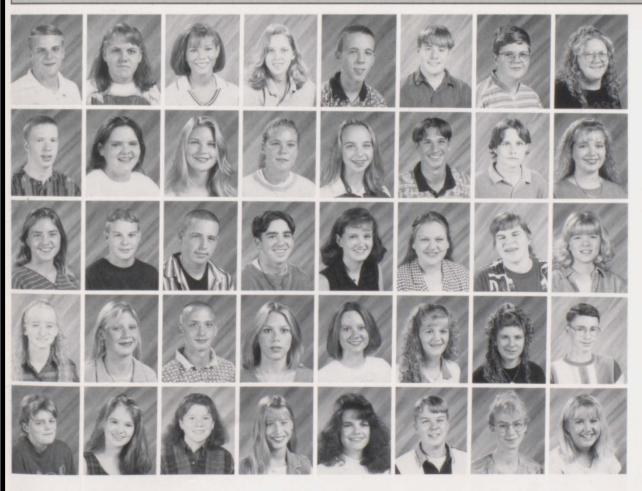
Still, there were some who had not received their licenses, but were still excited about getting it. Amanda Powers,a-soon-to-be licensed driver, said, "I'm really excited about getting my license because I'm tired of driving everywhere with my mom."

One of the signs of a sophomore's goal was how quickly driver education classes filled each time they were offered, either during the summer or through Mid-State Adult Education.

A driver's license was more then just a piece of laminated plastic. It was a symbol of approaching adulthood and additional freedom.



Getting into his well-known truck is Sophomore Jasup Smith. Obtaining a license was a high-point in some of the sophomores school year.



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Amber Brandenburg
Tiffany Breeden
Kellie Breedlove
Lindie Brown
Nick Brown

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### Good Leadership

### **Makes The Year Memorable**

Meghann Yoke

The sophomores came into the year with a little more experience under their hats.

In the beginning, they spent most of their time preparing their homecoming float and competing in homecoming field events. During the rest of the year, sophomores were involved with dances, sporting events, and other fun activities. President Nikki Stewart said, "The officers this year started the year off well by having a good attitude. It really makes a difference."

Vice-President Kevin Willis said, "It was a lot easier not being a freshman anymore; it really turned out to be a fun year."

Sophomores were even involved in the prom, though indirectly, as some helped decorate, and others served as ushers to get an idea of prom planning for their junior year. Under the direction of prom sponsor Mr. Jim Bradshaw they realized it was time to start planning to be juniors.



**Leading the Class of 1998** were Nikki Stewart, president; Suni Venable, secretary; Jennifer Ragan, treasurer; and Kevin Willis, vice-president. The officers spent a lot of time making events memorable.

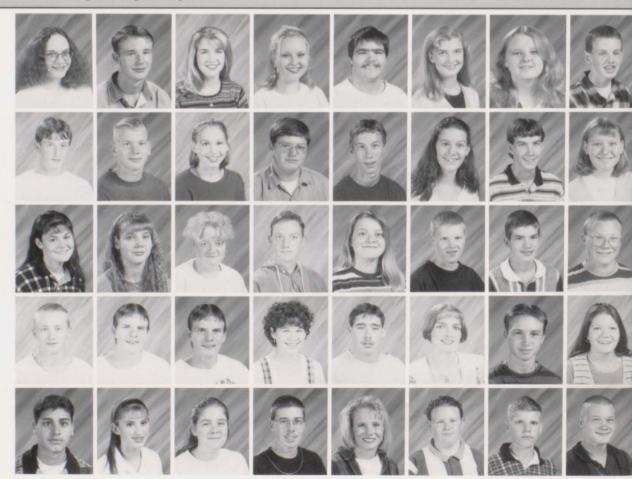
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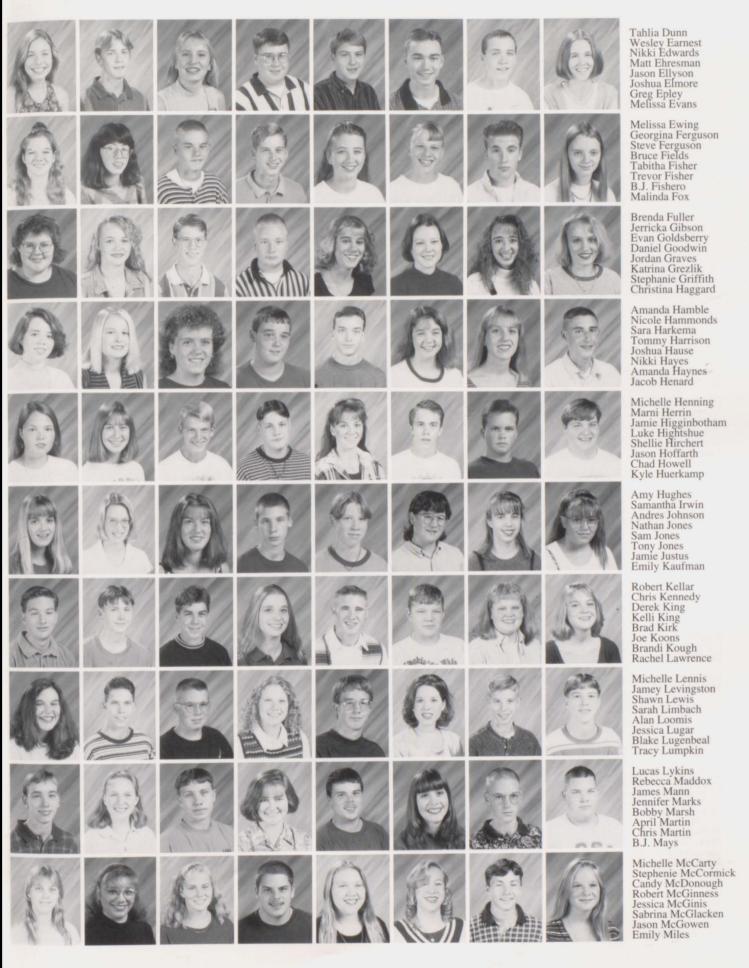
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### <u>Class Of 1998</u>

### **Moves With The Spirit**

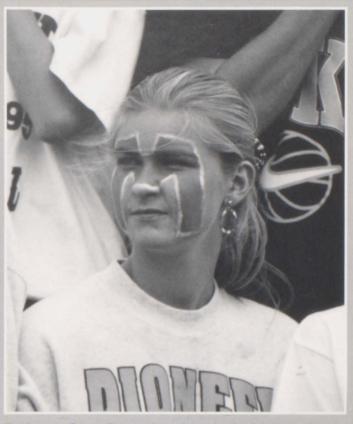
Meghann Yoke

GO BIG BLUE! A triumphant cry rose from every class section during the homecoming festivities; but there were none so loud as the Sophomore Class.

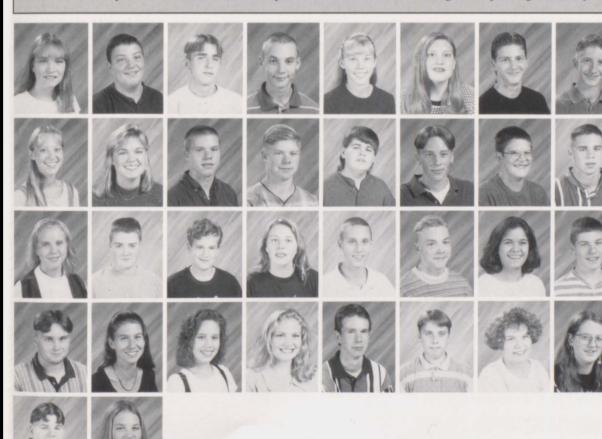
Although the sophomores' M & M float "Dunk the Orioles," did not place well, they had a good time working on it with sponsors Lorie Harkema and Don Adams; and they vowed to do better as juniors.

Their greatest success at the carnival was with a sack race team that included Kevin Willis, Jason McGowen, Amy Casamer, Bruce Fields, and Suni Venable. Afterwards, Willis was philosophical about their victory. "We just hopped faster than anyone else," he bragged.

They were no longer the "low men on the totem pole," and they were beginning to feel a real sense of togetherness as the Class of 1998. Homecoming was a time when students showed their "Pioneer Pride" through school spirit; and the sophomores agreed that it was one of the best times of the year-a time when they bonded as a student body.



Sophomore Laura Barton shows her school spirit during Homecoming. Face-painting was always a popular way to show spirit.



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Leslie Van Hal Suni Venable Garry Walden Joey Walls Travis Walls Rainer Warpenburg Mark Waugh Chad Whitaker

Rachel White Aaron Wickham Jay Wilcurt Melisa Williamson Kevin Willis Jason Wilson Joellen Wilson Josh Wilson

Sam Wilson Jennifer Witt Lindsey Wolfe Amber Wolma Jake Woodland Jeremy Woods Lynsie Wright Mary Wright

Ryan Wrightsman Kristy Yarachefski

### Class of 1999 pulling together as one



**Tugging for a victory**, the Freshman Class pulls together to win in homecoming competition. This was the first big event for the class at MHS.

### **Amanda Watson**

As the last graduating class of the Twentith Century entered Mooresville High School, they learned to work together and become one.

"3-2-1 Kickoff" was the theme for the rookie group's homecoming float. With a blast of the rocket came many feelings of pride. Freshman Sarah Cummings said, "I will always remember the feeling of accomplishment when our float passed by in the homecoming parade."

This was just the beginning of opportunities for the class to work together. Powderpuff was a whole new experience for most of the girls in the class. Freshman Michele Green said, "I thought we were going to crush the upperclassmen, but it didn't turn out that way."

The freshmen proved they could pull together as they did defeat upperclassmen in some homecoming competitions. The first annual pizza eating contest turned out to be quite a successful event. Freshman Trisha Reed said, "I had tough competition, but it felt good to win for our class."

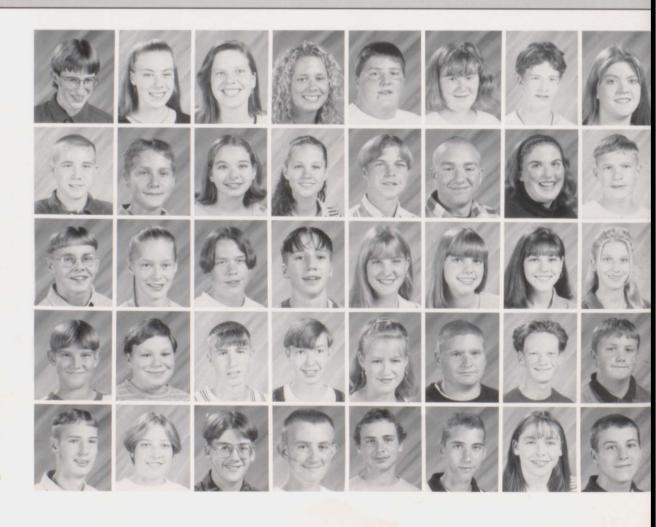
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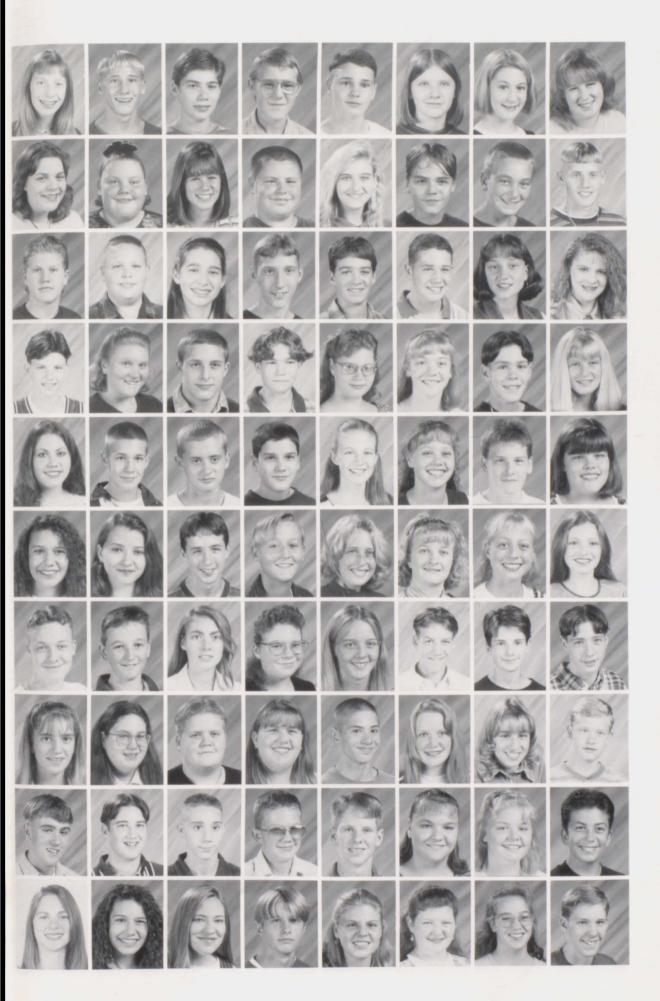
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Joshua Enebrad Melissa Epley Matthew Evans Michael Farmer Stephanie Fell Dana Ferguson Troy Fields Katie Fisher

Nicole Fontaine Adam Frechette James Gallup Tim Garner Jessica Gee Amy Gentry David Gibbs Carrie Gibson

Jenney Gibson Amanda Gill Chad Gillenwater Jake Glover Stacy Goss Kristin Graham Michele Green Michelle Greene

Brandon Griffo Justin Grounds Camille Haas Le Etta Halton Kimberly Hammel Jeremy Hansel Garry Harris Travis Harrison

Catrina Harrold Sarah Hartley Josh Hatmaker Alice Haynes Josh Heverin Nichole Helton Jessie Henard John Hendrickson

Jeremy Herron Merco Hietberg Jimmy Hines Harold Hollinger Chad Holtzclaw Katrina Hornaday Krista Hoseclaw Andrew Hotseller

Ronda Hougland Natlie Hughes Amy Hunteman Michael Hunter Kristy Iacobucci Christal Ison Angela Jaynes Brian Johnson

Kraig Johnson Andy Jones Hosey Jones Kelly Jones Sara Jones Donald Kaufman Jeremy Keith Nicloas Kenworthy David Kennedy Adam Keppel Jesse Kerr Derek Kirk Barry Kohlman Stephanie Kouns Jamie Kropelnicki Laura Ladd Don Laeufer Adria Lambert Jason Lane Melissa Lechuga Cliff Lehr

Christopher Lelak Chris Linkous Megan Lynch

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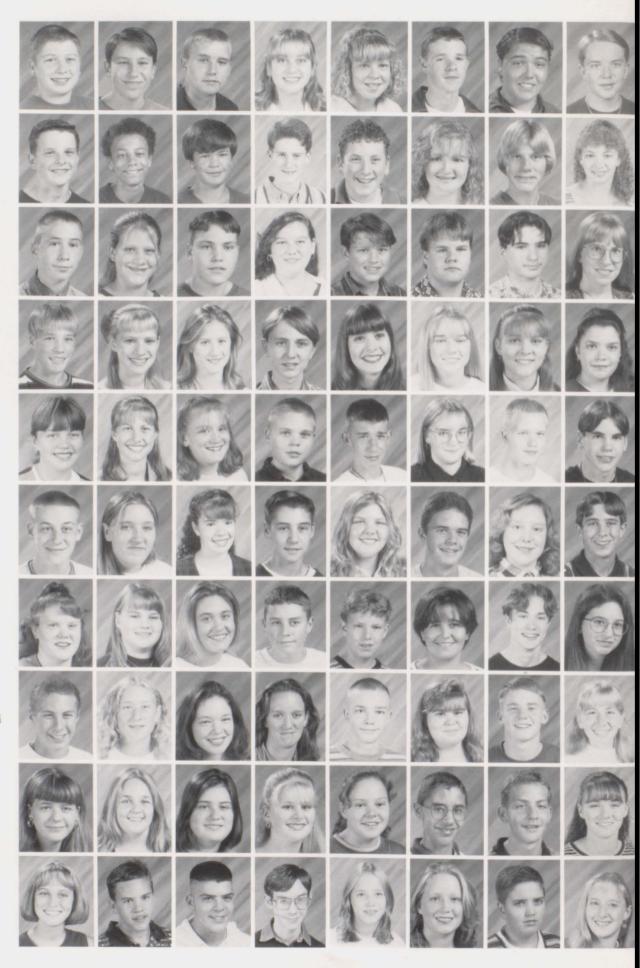
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# Changer

Concentrating on his Spanish, freshman Josh Beals fills out his final with the rest of the class. Finals were a stressful time of the year for many freshmen.

### Freshmen:

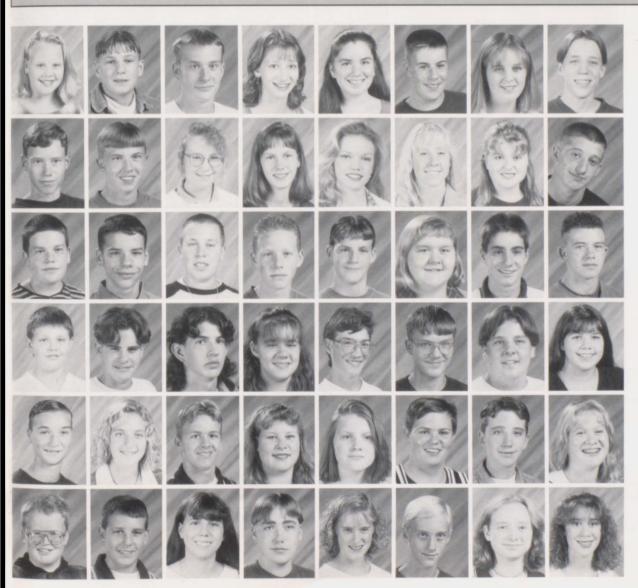
new students with new worries

Stress and hard work was commonly found among students, but the Freshman Class had many added worries. As they first entered high school, many freshmen had the same questions running through their mind: "Am I going to fit in?" "Will people like me?" "Will I find my way around?" But as time passed, the questions slowly faded away.

Freshman Christy Born said, "I was scared starting high school, but only for a week or so. It wasn't as bad as everyone thought it would be." Having so many extra activities helped many students get through the school year, while it added stress to the lives of others.

As the year came to an end, thoughts of summer danced through the minds of students, but one last event kept them from celebrating: finals! Many freshmen had heard about the dreaded tests, but this was the first time they had to deal with them.

Freshman Josh Beals said, "I wasn't looking forward to the finals. The end of the year got really hard for most people."



Cary Riddle
Dustin Riggs
Nathan Roberts
Lora Rogers
Maria Romero
Michael Rose
Jennifer Ross
Ben Ruoff

Kevin Russell James Sachs Elizabeth Sanders Melissa Schillo Kymberly Schlangen Crystal Schmidt Jocelyn Schneider Jeremiah Scott

Adam Seifert William Seward Kevin Sharpe Kevin Sheridan Tim Shockley Erin Shrake Jason Shuffield James Sugars

Michael Sims Josh Skinner Chris Smith Julie Smith Travis Snyder Jeff Soots Charles Southall Andrea Sparks

Jeremy Spence Shauna Stagner Josh Stanton Michelle Starns Valerie Stephens Clay St. John Steve Stinson Amanda Stirn

Richard Stone Matt Sullivan Angela Taft Jason Taylor Kelli Taylor Jonathan Theriac Hannah Thomas Brooke Thomson

### Frosh grow into friendships **Amanda Watson**

The first time the Freshman Class walked into the building they had no idea that by the end of the year they would know most of the student body. There were many events that gave them the opportunity to make new friends, and after school activities gave many students the chance to be with people that shared a common interest with them.

Freshman Kendra Tidd said, "Playing sports and participating in other after school activities gave me plenty of time to see all of my friends."

Socializing became a big part of school to many. Longer passing periods gave many a time to catch up on the latest gossip. As many found out, friendships would be the best part of their high school years.

Piling on top of Santa, freshmen have fun at the Christmas dance. Dances were a great time to be with friends, old and new.



Daisy Thompson Kendra Tidd Jennifer Tipmore Brandon Trostle Joseph Turner
Angela Tyree
Jennifer Tyree
Stephanie Untersinger

Kristin Van Arsdale Michael Vaught Fred Wagner Kimberlee Walden Michael Walden Richard Walenga Daniel Walker Amanda Walls

Pamela Walton Rebekah Ward Amanda Watson Amy Watson Elizabeth Watson Josh Watson Brandi Wells Casey West

Scott West Steve West Jay Westenhofer Régina Wetzel Eric Whitaker Amanda White Joev White William Whitman

Kori Wilkins Heather Wilkinson Derek Willey Kara Williamson Keith Wineman Albert Wolfe Allen Wright Chris Wright

Jessica Wright Dawn Wrightsman Karissa Wys James Yates Jenny Young



Participating in the annual "Twelve Days of Christmas" is one of the four calling birds, sophomore Kristy Cohee. The presentation had become a tradition for Student Council.



### "Blast off to Victory" by the Class of 1999

### Underclassmen

### share variety of experiences

**Amanda Watson** 

Homecoming, driving, and a chance to play varsity sports were just a few things the underclassmen had to look forward to throughout the year. Homecoming was an event for many to remember forever.

Float building was the highlight of many people's week. As underclassmen, many played on the reserve level, so they could have the chance to gain experience, while others got the opportunity to play with the upperclassmen on the varsity level.

Sophomore varsity track runner Sarah Harkema said, "Running on the varsity level was great, because it gave me experience for the rest of my years at MHS."



Some sophomores also had the opportunity to work as hosts at the prom. Sophomore Kellie Breedlove said, "It was fun seeing all my friends dressed up at prom, but it was a lot of work."

The music department also granted some sophomores select positions in Spotlighters and Finesse.

Singing of "Ordinary Miracles," sophomore Heather Rodenbeck puts her heart into the song. Many sophomores helped make Finesse a successful group.



"The Winner Comes Out a Pioneer" by the Class of 1998

"It's neat to see another part of the kids, instead of just the way we see them during the day." Don Adams, Social Studies

### Faculty Spirited teachers make events fun

**Amanda Watson** 

While the teachers' first responsibility was to help students in the classroom, they also helped them with school spirit. Many students were cheered on throughout the year by faculty members. Whether it was on the court, the field, or even on stage, teachers helped raise the spirits of many students.

"When students are involved, it helps them all around. It's neat to see another part of the kids, instead of just the way we see them during the day," said history teacher, Don Adams.

Many of the faculty members even participated in events that took place after the school day, on the weekends, or during summer vacation.

Pep sessions and spirit weeks were great opportunities for the faculty to show their spirit. The well-known clucking cooks were a big hit during the year. Cashier Carol Cummins said,



"We look forward to participating in the pep sessions. It lets the kids know we're more than cooks." The cooks could also be found helping students get pumped up holidays.

Whether it was during the school day or after hours, MHS faculty continualy supported the Pioneers throughout the year.

Tugging for a faculty victory, teachers Brinton Farrand, Joyce Gilly, Tricia Freudenberg, and Rich Kelly try to defeat the seniors. If laughs counted for points, they might have won.

Don Adams
History
Robert Adams
English
Dennis Amrhein
Art
Joe Ash
Business Education
Joel Beebe
English

Mark Bless
Adv. Phys. Conditioning
Carolyn Blickenstaff
Spanish
Kathy Bothwell
Math
Jim Bradshaw
English
Gina Brady

Special Education























Anne Brewer
Science
Jerry Brown
Assistant Principal
Karl Brown
Graphic Arts
Patsy Bryant
Clerk
Donna Burton
Math

Edna Bush
Library Aide
Tony Carrell
Vocational Agriculture
Christy Chitwood
Choreographer
Karen Clifton
Secretary
Kelly Crawford
Math

Dana Day
Special Education
Sarah Downey
Attendance Officer
Donna Sandage Drake
German
Jan Emerson
Mid-State Secretary
Stan Emerson
Social Studies

Amy Fanning
Instrumental Music
Brinton Farrand
Art
Richard Franklin
English
Tricia Freudenberg
Social Studies
Curt Freeman
Asst. Superintendent

Sheryl Fyffe
Orchestra
Joyce Gilly
Social Studies
Dale Graves
Science
Max Gregory
Health
Robert Grosskreutz
Math

Monty Grover
Science
Diana Hadley
Journalism
Bob Hamm
Science
Lorie Harkema
English
Dan Havens
Guidance

Beth Henry
Guidance
Keith Hill
Guidance
Stephen Hilligoss
Business
Rosie Horein
P.E. / Home Economics
Kellie Jacobs
English

Joan Jarvis
Home Economics
Joe Johnson
Science
Kathy Johnson
Secretary
Norb Johnson
Math
Melanie Kassen
Speech / English

Rich Kelley
Industrial Arts
Karen Kisters
Special Education
Sarah Kilfoil
Learning Center Coord.
Aloha Landwerlen
Business
Debra Lang
Guidance Secretary

James Lefler
Asst. Superintendent
Kelvin Maxfield
Industrial Arts
Lon Milburn
Guidance Director
Elaine Moebius
Vocal Music
Mike Mossbrucker
Economics / P.E.

Derek Moyers
Social Studies
Charles Muston
Asst. Principal
William Overholser
Principal
James Owen
Math
Kim Peters
French

Ann Phillips
English
Brenda Ponchot
ISS Supervisor
Don Pope
Athletic Director
David Pugh
Math
William Roberson
Superintendent



Ready to 'chow down,' Mr. Derek Moyers awaits the start of the pizza eating contest. This competition was one of the oldest hoecoming carnival events.



Faculty
New faces indicate a 'changing of the guard'

**Amanda Watson** 

Anyone who thought being the new kid in school was hard, should have tried being the new teacher.

Students had dealt with new teachers before, but not quite so many at one time.

Since many of the new faculty members had previous experience at Mooresville High School, they found it easy to adapt. Advanced study hall coordinator Ms. Sarah Kilfoil, said, "After being here as a student teacher it was easier adjusting to the school community."

Many of these newcomers not only took on the task of a teacher, but some became class sponsors or coaches as well.

As a first year Spanish

teacher and coach for three sports, Mrs. Marci Theobald said, "Coaching has given me a good chance to get to know more of the student body."

Throughout the year, students could find these new and enthusiastic faculty members helping out around MHS. Social Studies teacher Derek Moyers said, "It's been a very interesting experience, but I've really enjoyed it. I didn't realize how long the school year really is."

As advanced study hall coordinator, Ms. Sarah Kilfoil helps to enhance the skills of many MHS students. Improvement was an important key throughout the year.



















John Robertson Media Center **Peggy Saylors Business Education** Greg Silver Social Studies **Sue Stewart** Science/Math Jean Thaler Bookkeeper, ECA

Marci Theobald Spanish Judy Wade **Business Education** Gerald Weber Instrumental Music Jim Whitaker Health, P.E., Anatomy Karen Yeager English

Elizabeth Yoke English Kimberly Zook Science



Alisa Tomlinson

Although ending in a heart-breaking loss in the final game of Sectionals at Martinsville, the boys basketball season was one no one would soon forget. The banner hanging over the basketball court which read "Winners Stay... Losers Go. See Ya!!" could not have been more accurate. The Pioneers went undefeated at homeand lost only four games on the road. The boys ended with a regular season record of 19-4, setting a school record for the most wins in one season. The team was also named one of Channel 8's "teams of the week," and had the opportunity of being interviewed by sports commentator Mark Patrick. Senior Jarod Overton said, "The season turned out to be much better than expected. We earned the respect that we deserved and made our 'rebuilding' year a success. It was great to run out on the floor every game and know that we had the most fans there; they were definitely our sixth man."

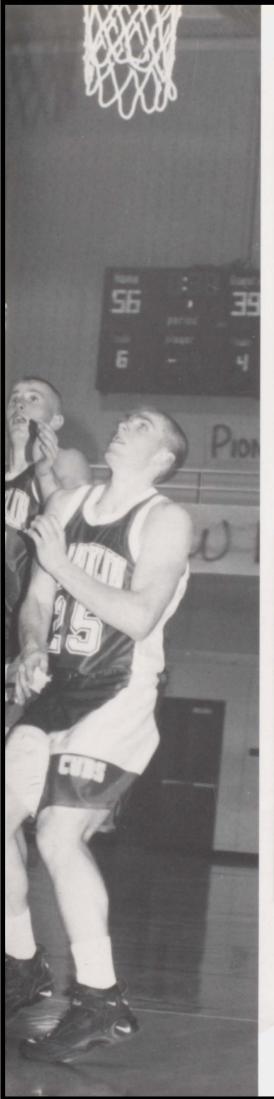
Pioneer wrestlers also had an exciting season. Juniors Matt Roth and Shawn Guernsey both helped the team by winning Mid-State. The team as a whole won Sectionals and Regionals but fell to number one ranked Evansville Mater Dei in Semi-State. Although senior Brad Breedlove could not quite bring a State championship home, he represented the school well as the sole representative in State competition. Senior Lincoln Russell said, "We fulfilled all of our goals... a few unexpected, but exceptional new members of the team really helped us in reaching them."

Sports played an important part in students's lives from the good football showing in the fall to the conclusion of spring sports in June. It was evident that Pioneer athletes were more than #1 in the hearts of MHS students and faculty. They proved to themselves and everyone else that they truly were the best of the best.

As "Channel 8's Basketball Team of the Week," Coach Jim Whitaker and members of the varsity are interivewed by sportscaster Mark Patrick. The team ended its season at 19-4, a new record for MHS.

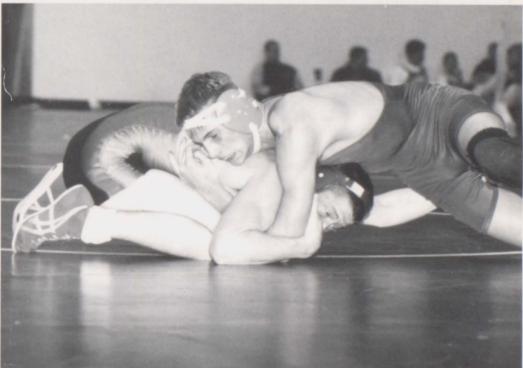






Flying helps as junior Chad Montgomery reaches for the sky over his Franklin opponents. The record-setting boys team went undefeated at home the entire season, and the win against the Grizzly Cubs was a big one.





Celebrating after their Sectional win, the senior softball players are all smiles. The team brought home its first Sectional title in three years after defeating Greencastle.

Never giving up until the other is pinned, junior wrestler Matt Roth contributes to the young team with his experience. Matt was one of two wrestlers to win Mid-State.

# Childs spirit

### Girls bring both spirit and enthusiasm

Josh Alley

Hard work and dedication were not just words to describe the football, wrestling, or basketball teams. They were also important qualities of being a good cheerleading squad. The cheerleaders were the ones who supposedly had an easy job, but their season began in May with tryouts and didn't end until February after

the boys basketball season.

"I love the sports and events at Mooresville and this is one way of showing my spirit." Nikki Green, Senior

Like other sports, the girls attended a summer camp to work on their skills and performances and to bring them closer as a group. One of the changes for them was a new cheerleader sponsor, Mrs. Melanie Kassen, and a new way of rotating cheering assignments.

"It was neat learning new things. I think it brought us closer as a squad, plus the initiation of new members was fun," said senior Lisa Ellis about their camp at DePauw University.

Promoting school spirit, performing skits, making signs and banners, and organizing spirit days were some of the creative things the girls did throughout the year.

"It was rough at times because we were always so busy, but I loved supporting all of our teams and watching them win," said junior Michele Cadwell.

"I love the sports and events at Mooresville, and this is one way of showing my spirit," said senior Nikki Green.

Throughout the different seasons of the school year, the cheerleaders were there to cheer on their team and to get the crowd fired up no matter what.



Showing their school spirit for Channel 8 News are the varsity and freshman cheerleading squads. The homecoming game against ranked Avon brought out the local media.

Stretching for just a few more points is sophomore Stacy Travelsted. The cheerblock really added to the excitement in the sectional game against Martinsville.





A lot of work and old rags help senior Lisa Ellis helps "fire up" the homecoming crowd. It was Lisa's first year as a cheerleader at MHS.



**Varsity Cheerleaders--***front::* Kelli Richmond, Jessica Franklin, Nichole Hammonds, Nikki Green, Brandi Bradley, *back:* Amy Casamer, Jennifer Yarnell, Rachel Caraboa, NCA Sponsor, Lisa Ellis, Allison Summers, Stacy Travelsted, Michele Cadwell



**Cheering in front** of the student body during homecoming are the varsity and freshman cheerleading squads. The girls played an important part organizing homecoming activities.



Freshman Cheerleaders-front: Michelle Greene, middle: Lora Rogers, Amber Mertens, back: Anna Edwards, Beth Watson, Michele Green.

# For Prespect

### Senior leadership praised for good season

**Marcus Mathis** 

"Hard work, senior leadership, team unity, and support made us a successful team," said new head coach Mark Bless.

Team goals were to win sectionals, Mid-State Conference, and earn respect from other teams. Although the team lost the second game of sectionals to rival Avon and were runners up to the Orioles in the Mid-State Conference, the Pioneers did earn the respect needed to fulfill their pre-season goals.



"Hard work, senior leadership, team unity, and support made us a successful team." Mark Bless, Coach "Beating Plainfield and Greenwood was the best feeling of my life," said senior co-captain Jesse DiMartino. The Pioneers, coming off of a 20-21 overtime loss to Lebanon, defeated Coach Bless's alma mater, Greenwood, after a pre-season weightlifting contest loss to the Woodmen. The neighboring Quakers were no match for "The Blessed Team" as they whipped Plainfield, 35-7, on Senior Night.

From that point, the Pioneers put together a five-game winning streak until losing to Avon, 34-10, for the Mid-State Conference crown at Mooresville's homecoming. "I felt that the game was hyped up too much which made us not play Mooresville football," said junior running back Brad Bennett.

Matt Frechette was named MVP and Josh Alley mental attitude at the fall sports banquet. Frechette also was named to the 4-A All-State team as well as All-Conference, which also included Josh Alley, Tommy Gibson, Darrin Karr, Nick Sullivan, and Marcus Mathis. Alley, Mathis, and Andy Ray were also named Academic All-State.

The reserve and freshman teams ended their seasons 0-5 and 3-4.



The Pioneer defense stops Avon on their fourth down conversion. The football team held the state ranked Orioles to a 7-0 halftime lead before losing the contest, 28-7.







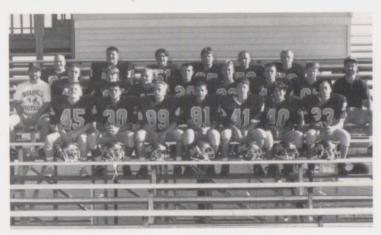
Taking on more than he can handle, unior Tommy Gibson tries for a first down against Avon. Despite their successfull season, the Pioneers lost to the Orioles twice.







Varisity Football—front: James Merriman, Matt Roth, Mike Stapert, John Cripe, Darrel Smith, Eric Pugh, Wayman Clontz, Dan Llewellyn, Jacob DiMartino; row 2: Kevin Doyle, Darin Karr, Sean O'Riley, David Petty, Nyles Morelli, Josh Blackburn, Brad Shotts, Chad Whitaker, Brandon Thaler, Justin Beck; row 3: Brad Kirk, Zack Stancack, Mike Doyle, Brad Bennett, Andy Ray, Matt Beam, Zack Ellis, Bill Williamson; row 4: Scott Terry, Josh Alley, Tommy Gibson, Chris Carden, Marcus Mathis, Tyson Goen, Chad Smith, Matt Frechette; row 5: Chris Wilson, Rodney Hail, Bill Clontz, Jesse DiMartino, Nick Sullivan, Robert McGinnis, Steven Petty, Bill Proctor; back: Coach Ralph Poehls, Coach Bill Bless, Coach Rob Hoff, Coach Mike Mossbruker, Trainer Fred LaPlante, Coach Steve Hilligoss, Coach Mark Bless, Coach Derek Moyers.





Captains Chris Carden, Jesse DiMartino, Josh Alley, and Marcus Mathis present the "Beat Avon" T-shirt to principal William Overholser. During Homecoming week, most people promoted the big game.

**Looking for a hole** is linebacker/slot-back Josh Alley. Alley was named to the All-Conference team and the Academic All-State team.

Freshman Football—front: Tommy Perkins, Joe Ray, Steve West, William Steward, Steve Bailey, Mike Farmer, Luke Beller; row 2: Coach Mark Rooker, Keith Wineman, Chris Wright, Trent DeWitt, Darryn Cottington, Josh Stanton, Jimmy Sugars, Chad Holtclaw, Coach Joe Copeland; back: Jeremy Basso, Justin Alsup, Merco Heitberg, Chris Lelak, Hosey Jones, Jason McGinnis.

**Varsity Football** 

MHS 20-21 Lebanon O.T. MHS 13-6 Greenwood

MHS 49-0 Whiteland

MHS 17-14 Beech Grove

MHS 45-7 Plainfield

MHS 15-14 Franklin

MHS 10-34 Avon

MHS 0-20 Greenfield Central

Sectional

MHS 19-12 Greenfield Central

MHS 7-35 Avon

### Reserve Football

MHS 14-33 Greenwood

MHS 0-22 Beech Grove

MHS 6-7 Plainfield

MHS 6-7 Franklin

MHS 0-22 Avon

### Freshman Football

MHS 13-6 Greenwood

MHS 24-6 Brownsburg

MHS 22-0 Beech Grove

MHS 0-19 Plainfield

MHS 20-36 Franklin

MHS 18-28 Avon

MHS 6-28 Ben Davis

# Downsetitively

### Rhodes goes to Semi-State, DePoy is undefeated

Sean O'Riley

As the sun rose on the warm August mornings in Mooresville, there was one certainty; the boys tennis team was hard at work. With a smaller team than the past, the boys had a hard time filling in the lower levels of play.

Off-season training was a must for these "racketeers" as they practiced many hours trying to improve their game.

Mitch DePoy, junior, said, "I played three days a week indoors during the winter and every day over the summer in clinics or in tournaments."

As in any other sports, these men had many choices as to which camps (clinics) and tournaments to attend.

As the season progressed, the abilities of all the players were tested.

"Early in the season we had close losses, and then we made changes and had a big win streak," added DePoy. Nevertheless, the guys prevailed over many of their opponents and suffered only five losses.

"They played at their caliber. They had no choice but to be competitive. Most of them were already established outside school as tennis players," said Coach Kelly Crawford. Although they all competed well, two made great achievements. Mitch DePoy was undefeated, and junior Matt Rhodes advanced to Semi-State.

"I think I lost before I should have. I was pleased overall, but I didn't think I would go that far at the beginning of the season," Rhodes said.

At the end of the season Rhodes was named MVP, and DePoy was awarded the "Outstanding Season" award.



"They played at their caliber. They had no choice but to be competitive." Kelly Crawford, Coach

Concentrating all of his power into the shot, junior Mitch DePoy swings away with the victory on his home court. Mitch was undefeated in the regular season.

Sweating it out on the court, junior Steve Newman studies and improves his game at practice. Steve played number three singles doubles during the season.









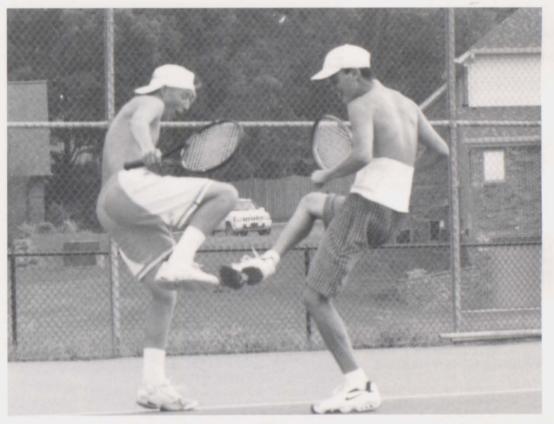
Striving to reach the ball, junior Matt Rhodes falls to a hard-fought Semi-State match against Zackary Sipes of New Albany. Losing only four matches in the season, Rhodes had a good shot for state.



Boys Tennis Team-- front: Mitch DePoy, Jake Glover, Ryan Lambert, Daniel Stadach, Nic Allen; middle: Steve Newman, Trent Mong, Aaron MHS Ketchens, Bryan Hughs, Matt Rhodes, Thomas Moffat; back: Coach Joyce Gilly, Ryan Goldsberry, Evan Goldsberry, Jarod Overton, Coach Kelly Crawford.

	Varsity Tennis						
	MHS	4-1					
	MHS	5-0	Bloomington N.				
	MHS	3-2	Perry Meridian				
	MHS	2-3	Greenwood				
	MHS	2-3	Ben Davis				
	MHS	5-0	Martinsville				
	MHS	5-0	Avon				
	MHS	5-0	Plainfield				
	MHS	5-0	Beech Grove				
	MHS	5-0	Indian Creek				
	MHS	3-2	Southport				
	MHS	1-4	Brownsburg				
	MHS	1-4	Bloomington S.				
	Decatur Tourney						
	1st						
	Mid State						
	2nd						
	Sectional						
	MHS		Bloomington N.				
,	Regional						

Bloomington S.



The training life of a Mooresville athlete could be very stressful and time-consuming. Hard work often paid off as these boys knew very well. As long summer practices improved their skills for game time, some also found time to fool around. Fun was needed to make the practices enjoyable. Aaron Kitchens and his partner, Steve Newman, joke around during a very warm practice. Temperatures soared in the 90's during the first weeks.

**Trying to make the crucial shot**, senior Ryan Goldsberry makes an impressive battle at home. Ryan and other seniors helped in the overall leadership on the team.

Preparing to make a play at the net are Kamille Wys, junior, and Crissy Collins, sophomore. The team relied on tough play from its underclassmen throughout the season.

### Varsity Girls Volleyball

MHS 7-15, 7-15 Indian Creek
MHS 15-13, 4-15, 8-15 North View
MHS 14-3, 16-14 Turkey Run
MHS 15-10, 15-8 North Putnam
MHS 3-15, 3-15 Avon
MHS 15-10, 15-2 Eminence
MHS 15-5, 16-14 Speedway
MHS 15-6, 15-8 Martinsville
MHS 15-3, 15-10 Decatur Cent.
MHS 12-15, 10-15 Zionsville
MHS 7-15, 12-15 Bloomington S.

MHS 15-4, 12-15, 15-4 Bloomington N.
MHS 3-15, 13-15 Whiteland

MHS 3-15, 13-15 Whiteland MHS 15-13, 15-13 Tri-West MHS 9-15, 8-15 Plainfield MHS 15-9, 15-8 Cascade

MHS 16-14, 5-15, 9-15 Danville MHS 15-9, 15-13 Brownsburg

MHS 8-15, 15-12, 15-8 Terre Haute N. MHS 15-6, 15-12 Edgewood

MHS 15-6, 15-12 Edgewood MHS 5-15, 10-15 Columbus N. MHS 9-15, 9-15 Franklin

MHS 15-11, 10-15, 15-12 Greenwood

MHS 13-15, 8-15 Monrovia MHS 15-7, 15-8 Beech Grove Sectional

MHS 13-15, 11-15 Monrovia

### Reserve Girls Volleyball

MHS 10-15, 15-4, 15-8 Indian MHS 15-5, 13-15, 15-8 Avon MHS 15-9, 15-2 Eminence MHS 15-7, 15-2 Speedway MHS 3-15, 4-15 Martinsville MHS 16-14, 15-9 Bloomington N. MHS 7-15, 15-12, 15-5 Whiteland MHS 15-12, 15-8 Tri-West MHS 15-13, 4-15, 15-6 Plainfield MHS 15-1, 15-4 Cascade MHS 11-15, 15-8, 5-15 Danville MHS 10-13, 13-15 Brownsburg MHS 17-15, 11-15, 15-8 Franklin MHS 15-4, 15-8 Monrovia MHS 15-8, 14-16, 15-3 Beech Grove

### Freshman Girls Volleyball

MHS 14-16, 15-5, 15-3 Greenwood

MHS 16-14, 15-6 Avon MHS 15-6, 15-7 Bloomington S. MHS 15-10, 6-15, 15-5 Brownsburg MHS 15-13, 6-15, 9-15 Brownstown MHS 1-15, 11-15 Roncalli MHS 15-10, 9-15, 15-10 Greenwood MHS 15-9, 11-15, 14-16 Beech Grove



Girls Varsity Volleyball Team--front: Amanda Watson, Erin Miller, Jackie Poehls; *middle:* Coach Brinton Farrand, Kim Hicks, Mandi Corwin, Jolie Robling, Crissy Collins, Jennifer Ash, Sara Harkema; *back:* Lisa Ellis, Andrea Hopkins, Kamille



Girls Reserve Volleyball Team--front: Karissa Wys, Katie Beasley, Jena Alley; middle front: Kristy Cohee, Allison Dennis, Suni Venable, manager Jennifer Cheek; middle back: Tammy Minks, Amanda Blackwell, Dana Ferguson, Rachel Burgess, Sara Harkema; back: Nikki Edwards, Emily Miles.



Girls Freshman Volleyball Team--front: Maura Di Meo, Katie Fisher; front middle: Kara Middleton, Lora Rogers; back middle: Coach Marci Theobald, Denise Reed, Kendra Tidd, Katie Ransome, Amy Watson, Coach Shelly Terry; back: Melissa Many, Trisha Reed, Adria Lambert

**Eyeing the ball**, senior Jolie Robling prepares to bump the ball. Bumping was one of the strongpoints of the Pioneers' game.







# alues

**Andy Ray** 

FAMILY. That was the best way to describe the volleyball team. The girls were trying to be competitive with all of their opponents, but they were much more than competitive--they were winners. They had an impressive win over conference champion Beech Grove, and they played

a very aggressive, hard-fought match with state runner-up and local rival Martinsville.

The team had an incredible sense of friendship with one another. Their "willingness to work together, and their constant desire to improve and win" were some of the qualities that Coach Brinton Farrand said he admired most in his team. Farrand added, "The eleven girls that were on the varsity team, as a team, functioned as a whole different group of individuals. From day one they functioned as a unit."

The players were proud of all the hard work and off-season dedication they had put into their team. It helped form a bond between them that they cherished. One could detect this sense of pride by simply passing team members in the hallway.

"The amount of hustle and effort that everyone put forth was unique. The team's togetherness was something that we'll never forget," said senior setter Lisa Ellis.

"The team's togetherness that we'll never forget." Lisa Ellis, Senior



The overall performance of the team was an example of the values and attitudes that many expected from a team sport. The students and faculty had a general criteria by which they measured the teams that represented the school, and the volleyball team redesigned that criteria and set new standards. The girls set a precedent for other teams for the rest of the year.





Waiting for a chance to swat another kill by the ears of her opponents, senior Jackie Poehls takes a steady aim at the volleyball. Jackie was a two-sport participant in the fall, competing in cross country also.

A leading "killer" for the team, senior Mandi Corwin bumps the ball to her teammates before a match. Warming up before a game was a key to Pioneer preparation.

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### Improvement key to team's success

Josh Alley

Coming into the season, the soccer boys felt that they had a lot to prove. "Last year I did not feel we achieved as much success as was possible. This year I hoped to improve our overall performance," said Coach Bill Byers.

And improve is what the team did! An 8-8-2 record from the 1994 season was increased to 14-4-1. One of those wins was an exciting victory over the Pike Red Devils, ranked second in the state and 21st in the nation. Senior Micah Cordray said, "After we beat Pike I felt that we could have beat any team in the state."

The Pioneers took their momentum with them right into sectionals by outscoring their first two opponents, Franklin and Greenwood, 9-2, but in the finals against state ranked Center Grove, the team lost a hard-fought battle, 2-1.

"I felt like we lost a game that we could have won. For the first time I realized that my soccer career was over," said senior Jason Edwards.

"At the end of the year, I felt it was unlikely that there were more than twenty teams in Indiana that were better than our group of boys," Coach Byers added.

Individual performances were also recognized. At the fall athletic banquet, Jimmy Holtzclaw was named outstanding defensive player, and Aaron Thompson received the MVP for the second year in a row.

Jimmy Holtzclaw, Aaron Thompson, Darin Karr, and Brad Fisher were selected for the Mid-State All-Conference Team.

"After we beat Pike I felt that we could have beat any team in the state" Micah Cordray, Senior

Shooting for a goal against Decatur Central is junior Josh Jacobs. Jacobs helped lead the team to a 14-4-1 record.

Senior Shawn Stewart takes on two opponents in his pursuit to the goal. Stewart was known for his aggressiveness on the feild.











Stomping through the dust. Senior Aaron Thompson shows the drive that makes him an important member of the team. Thompson was named MVP two years in a row.



Varsity Soccer Team--front: Aaron Thompson, Chris Joacobs, Nathan Byers, Chris Sharp Brad Fisher; middle: Eric Rogers, Jim Holtzclaw, Trevor Atherton, Josh Jacobs, Jason Edwards, Darin Karr; back: Asst. Coach Dale Benning, Asst. Coach Dave Smith, Robert Mathers, Shawn Stewart, Randy Stafford, Andy Bowers, Micah Cordray, Asst. Coach Mike Smith, Head Coach Bill Byers.



Reserve Soccer Team--front: Matt Bowers, William Whitman, Jamie Higenbothem, Mike Hunter, Nick Brown, Josh Heaverin, Kristina Davis; middle: Mike Brown, Troy Fields, Josh Skinner, Anthony Basso, Dayton Hornaday, Ben Ruoff, Asst. Coach Dale Benning; back: Asst. Coach Dave Smith, Dustin McKinney, Ranor Warpenburg, Kevin Sheridan, Steve Ferguson, James Yates, Mike Smith, Head Coach Bill Byers.



Junior Andy Bowers chases down the ball. This was Andy's third year on the varsity team.

**Dribbling past a Decatur Central opponent**, senior Jason Edwards uses his feet. He was often known for his head action.

### Varsity Soccer

MHS	1-4	Avon				
MHS	14-1	Beech Grove				
MHS	11-0	Monrovia				
MHS	3-2	Ben Davis				
MHS	1-4	Center Grove				
MHS	0-5	Brownsburg				
MHS	4-1	Decatur Centra				
MHS	5-0	Greencastle				
MHS	1-1	Danville				
MHS	6-1	Franklin				
MHS	4-3	Plainfield				
MHS	8-1	Greenwood				
MHS	8-1	Speedway				
MHS	3-2	Perry Meridian				
MHS	4-3	Zionsville				
MHS	3-2	Pike				
Sectional						

MHS 5-1 Franklin MHS 4-1 Greenwood MHS 1-2 Center Grove Sophomore/junior duo Tahlia Dunn and Kelli Willis concentrate on their pace. This was the second year that the two girls led the team.

### **Boys Cross Country Dual /Triangular Meets**

MHS	54-42	Plainfeild
MHS	54-33	Avon
MHS	63-27	Decatur
MHS	63-44	Perry Meridia
MHS	44-106	Speedway
MHS	44-23	Whiteland
MHS	50-61	Beech Grove
MHS	50-23	Franklin
MHS	42-20	Monrovia

### **Invitationals** Artesian Classic

6th

Cascade

7th

Golden Spike

9th

Seymour

11th

Mid-State

6th

**Morgan County** 

3rd

Sectional

7th

### **Girls Cross Country Dual/Triangular Meets**

MHS	38-19	Martinsville
MHS	22-34	Plainfeild
MHS	46-46	Perry Meridian
MHS	46-26	Decatur
MHS	22-inc	Avon
MHS	18-inc.	Cascade
MHS	19-40	Greenwood
MHS	32-24	Whiteland
MHS	32-79	Speedway
MHS	23-47	Franklin
MHS	23-inc.	Beech Grove
MHS	19-42	Monrovia

### **Invitationals**

Martinsville 8th

Cascade 3rd

Golden Spike 8th

Seymour

7th

Mid-State 2nd

County

1st

Sectional 5th

Regional 6th



Girls Cross Country Team--Coach Dale Graves, Amanda Overholser, Amanda Stirn, Amanda Perry, Kori Wilkins, Kathy Schweigen, Marci Allen, Karen Parker, Kelly Breedlove, Amanda Watson, Kelli Willis, Tahlia Dunn, and Traci Bridgett.



Boys Cross Country Team--front: Josh Sears, Jon Bigham, Joey White, Adam Frechette, Ben McCoy; back: John Chappo, Coach Karl Brown, Adam Reedy



The girls' team starts out strong. They were exicted to reach one of their goals of advancing to Regional competition.







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### Hard work pays off in the end

Josh Allev

The cross country season proved to be an exciting one. The girls finished with a 9-3 dual/triangular meet recod and advanced as a team to Regional for the first time in several years.

"It was the greatest feeling," said Coach Dale Graves about the team advancing.

"Since it was my first year participating in the sport I thought it was a great thing, especially for all of us girls," said junior Kathy Schweigen.

Junior Kelli Willis was the only girl to make it past the Regional to Semi-State.

"I was glad that I made it to Semi-State. Hopefully, I can go farther next year," Willis said.

On the other side of things, the boys' team had a slow start but managed to finish strong.

Although the boys only had a 3-9 record, they did have some bright spots. Seniors Jon Bigham and Adam Reedy both advanced to the Semi-State at Southeastway Park.

"I think that I and our team had a pretty good year. I wanted to make it to State, but things just did not work out that way," said senior co-captain Reedy.

"I was glad that I made it to Semi-State. Hopefully, I can go farther next year." Kelli Willis, Junior

At the fall sports banquet, individual performances were recognized. The girls' MVP was junior Kelli Willis, and Tahlia Dunn received the Outstanding Season Award. Jon Bigham was the boys' MVP, and Adam Reedy received the Outstanding Season Award.





With the coaches watching, senior Jon Bigham kicks it at the end. Bigham was a co-captain and Semi-State qualifier.

Sophomore Steve Moses and freshman John Chappo concentrate on their race. The two were first year runners for the harriers.

Dashing through the course at Pioneer Park are seniors Jon Bigham and Adam Reedy. The successful duo often ran side-by-side.

### Barea Mecord

leam hits new season mark of 19-4

**Andy Ray** 

Mr. Jim Whitaker had coached 26 years, but the fall of '95 was his first head coaching job, and his first goal was just to win the first game against Decatur

Central. When the team jumped out to a 22-6 lead in the first quarter and held on for an impressive win, he said, "This is going to be even more fun than I thought."

By the time the team had compiled a 19-4 season record (a new school record), all Mooresville fans had a lot of fun.

With a season that included so much success, there were numerous highlights. The Pioneers were undefeated in their own gym, so every home game became a celebration with large numbers of people attending the games and many students joining in as announcers or cheerblock spirit leaders.

The Pioneers defeated rivals Plainfield and Martinsville in the same weekend early in December to send them into the new year with a 7-1 record. Other important wins to the team were those against Brownsburg, Terre Haute, and an exciting match against Bloomington South that went into overtime before the Pioneers prevailed, 73-64.

The team won the conference and entered sectional competition as a favorite. Despite an impressive semi-final victory against Martinsville, the Pioneers couldn't handle a pumped-up Monrovia squad and were forced to end a great season on a disappointing note.

Coach Whitaker was pleased with senior leadership from Shawn Stewart, Jeremy Manning, and Jarod Overton. Co-MVP awards were presented to Stewart and Manning at the end of the season. In addition, Manning was named to the all-metro west team with Stewart as honorable

mention and Whitaker as coach.

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The Patriots' height advantage is diminished as junior Brad Bennett adds a couple of feet of air space. Bennett was known for assists, but he could take care of the ball himself when he wanted.

Everyone feels involved as the Pioneers head for overtime in the Bloomington South game. Senior Jarod Overton, however, was involved in the rough-andtumble game taking place under the basket











A form familiar to many fans attempts another three point shot. Senior Jeremy Manning was often successful with an average 19 points per game.



Varsity Basketball Team--front: Head Coach Jim Whitaker, Brad Bennett, Chad Oberle, Josh Jacobs, Steve Moses, Levi Griggs, Chad Montomery, Jason May; back: Coach Bob Carter, Jeremy Manning, Bill Clontz, Bruce Fields, Evan Goldsberry, Jarod Overton, Shawn Stewart, Brian Aurs, Coach Ernie Adams, Coach Derek Movers.



Reserve Basketball Team--front: Brian Johnson, Chad Robinson, Josh Jacobs, Steve Moses, Levi Griggs, Jason McGowen; back Brian Aurs, Jacob DiMartino, Evan Goldsberry, Jesse Burgess, Scott Baize, Jason May, Coach Ernie Adams.



Freshman Basketball Team--front: Jon Polson, Justin Grounds, Trent DeWitt, Thomas Moffit, Darin Coddington, Chris Wright; back: Josh Stanton, Jason Lane, Bryant Ponchot, Kevin Sheridan, Sam Miles, Jimmy Shugars, Coach Derek Moyers.

With his eye on the basket, senior Shawn Stewart avoids two Owen Valley players as he looks for an open spot. A win over the Patriots sent the Pioneers into the Plainfield/Martinsville weekend with an unblemished record.

### Varsity Basketball

MHS 71-51 Decatur Central

MHS 84-56 Monrovia

MHS 54-35 Speedway

MHS 67-49 Owen Valley MHS 70-65 Plainfield

MHS 67-59 Martinsville

MHS 40-42 Center Grove

MHS 82-60 Franklin

MHS 60-55 Whiteland

MHS 68-41 South Putnam

MHS 60-54 Brownsburg MHS 55-64 Greenwood

MHS 73-64 Bloomington S.

77-59 Avon MHS

MHS 45-46 Zionsville

MHS 70-55 Beech Grove MHS 63-59 Terre Haute

MHS 83-57 Cascade

MHS 90-56 Indiana Creek

MHS 64-52 Edgewood

Sectionals

MHS 63-58 Owen Valley

MHS 91-73 Martinsville

MHS 56-69 Monrovia

### Reserve Basketball

MHS 43-47 Decatur Central

MHS 51-44 Monrovia

MHS 54-32 Speedway MHS 58-35 Owen Valley

MHS 51-54 Plainfield

MHS 49-44 Martinsville

MHS 44-47 Center Grove

MHS 44-46 Franklin

MHS 54-40 Whiteland

MHS 48-37 South Putnam

MHS 44-39 Brownsburg

MHS 50-35 Greenwood

MHS 51-60 Bloomington S.

MHS 35-57 Avon

MHS 36-42 Zionsville

MHS 43-57 Beech Grove

MHS 53-43 Cascade MHS 37-48 Terre Haute N.

MHS 65-40 Indian Creek

MHS 38-40 Edgewood

### Freshman Basketball

MHS 60-30 Indian Creek MHS 62-49 Decatur Central

MHS 46-27 South Wayne

MHS 47-57 Plainfield

MHS 22-57 Center Grove

MHS 54-43 Speedway

MHS 32-38 Zionsville

MHS 53-45 Beech Grove

MHS 30-35 Speedway

MHS 38-60 Bloomington S.

MHS 50-39 Greenwood

56-36 Monrovia MHS MHS 54-65 Avon

MHS 67-45 Warren Central

MHS 74-77 Plainfield

MHS 38-52 Brownsburg

MHS 64-50 Martinsville

**Set, jump, swish** is junior Chrissy Collins. Collins led the team in scoring and was named to the All-Conference team.

### Girls Varsity Basketball

MHS 42-45 Brownsburg

MHS 54-49 Decatur Central

MHS 46-32 Danville

MHS 50-48 Speedway

MHS 50-85 Martinsville

MHS 62-43 Indian Creek

MHS 38-51 Edgewood

MHS 43-58 Zionsville

MHS 52-60 Southport MHS 70-27 Monrovia

MHS 58-50 Beech Grove

MHS 67-47 Bloomington North

MHS 53-46 Franklin

MHS 52-42 Whiteland

MHS 47-62 Plainfield

MHS 50-58 Bloomington South

MHS 45-51 Greenwood

MHS 48-53 Avon

Sectionals

MHS 60-41 Speedway MHS 37-39 Ben Davis



Girls Varsity Basketball Team—front: Amanda Blackwell, Liz Tinsley, Lisa Ellis, Kamille Wys; middle: Coach Joe Johnson, Lori Silcox, Lena Wilson, Mandi Corwin, Marcy Theobald; back: Dana Fergueson, Chrissy Collins, Kaci Ransome, Jennifer Ash.

### Girls Reserve Basketball

MHS 24-40 Brownsburg

MHS 34-42 Decatur Central

MHS 31-44 Danville

MHS 29-26 Speedway

MHS 21-54 Martinsville

MHS 40-34 Indian Creek

MHS 32-44 Edgewood

MHS 15-12 Zionsville

MHS 25-34 Southport

MHS 60-22 Monrovia MHS 24-38 Beech Grove

MHS 37-29 Bloomington North

MHS 37-29 Bloomin MHS 32-40 Franklin

MIIC 21 22 Whiteland

MHS 31-23 Whiteland MHS 39-50 Plainfield

MHS 32-34 Bloomington South

MHS 36-28 Greenwood

MHS 33-50 Avon



Girls Reserve Basketball Team—front: Rachael Burgess, Angie Coleman; middle: Allison Dennis, Jena Alley, Kelly Breedlove; back: Ericka Stidham, Sarah Harkema, Adria Lambert.

### Girls Freshman Basketball

MHS 36-34 Southport

MHS 49-47 Decatur Central

MHS 40-28 Fulton

MHS 42-12 Beech Grove

MHS 48-21 South Wayne

MHS 37-31 Franklin

MHS 26-50 Center Grove

MHS 21-20 Plainfield

MHS 28-23 Danville

MHS 58-17 Whiteland

MHS 36-43 Zionsville

MHS 45-11 Bloomington North

MHS 29-19 Greenwood



**Girls Freshman Basketball Team**—*front:* Stacey Goss, Katie Fisher, Amy Watson, Nicole Bolus, Andrea Sparks; *back:* Karissa Wys, Katie Ransome, Jennifer Ross, Kindra Tidd, Coach Matt Martin.







### Girls end season in close sectional final

**Marcus Mathis** 

It was an up-and-down season for the Lady Pioneers reflected by their 10-10 overall record. One highlight was a victory over Whiteland in a conference game when both teams were undefeated in conference play and fighting for the number one position. Some team members felt the crowd was the difference in the game.

"Our attitudes were different against Whiteland. We played with enthusiasm, confidence, and control. Our crowd was the key to winning the game. They were very much into it," said senior Lisa Ellis.

The girls finished the conference with a 4-3 record putting them in third place.

The biggest disappointment was a loss to Ben Davis in the final game of Sectionals. Although the team came out gunning, they were down by three points with .03 seconds left in the contest. Mooresville then missed a three-point shot and lost to the Giants, 37-39.

"I was proud of how the girls played against Ben Davis who went on to the Sweet 16," said Coach Joe Johnson.

"I feel the season was great. We were so much

one worked well together and that is what made us a good team," said four year starter Mandi Corwin.

Sophomore Chrissy Collins was the MVP, while sophomore Amanda Blackwell earned the mental attitude award. Collins and junior Kamille Wys were named to the All-Conference team, and Collins, Wys, and Corwin were named to the Times first team basketball team.

better than everyone thought we would be. We were fairly young and had a lot of talent. Every-





Slashing to the basket, junior Kamille Wys plays her gutsy gamestyle. Wys led the team in assists and steals.

Senior Liz Tinsley looks for an opening against rival Plainfield players. Although a well fought game the Pioneers fell short of victory falling to the Quakers, 47-62

Fighting for a rebound is senior Mandi Corwin. Corwin lettered in basketball all four years of her high school career.



"Our crowd was the key to winning..." Lisa Ellis, Senior

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### Team captures sectional, regional titles

**Andy Ray** 

Mooresville wrestling proved itself to be one of the dominant teams of the area once again. The team was successful despite being young at many weights with several freshman competing at the varsity level.

"The highlights of the year were winning sectional and regional as a team. Josh Alley, Senior "Being only a freshman, it was really neat having the opportunity to wrestle varsity with other guys in my class," said freshman wrestler Josh Beals.

The veteran wrestlers provided the bulk of the leadership and enthusiasm that carried the team to its second sectional and regional championships in three years. Senior cocaptains Josh Alley and Brad Breedlove were the most experienced wrestlers on the team.

"Going to the state finals at Market Square Arena was something I'll never forget," said senior Brad Breedlove. Regarding the highlight of the season, many team members agreed with 152 pound wrestler Josh Alley who said it was "winning sectionals and regionals as a team."

The team was strong on the mat, and the guys had a strong bond of friendship off the mat. "We were closer this year than any other year I have been on the team," said Alley.

The fans brought a new concept of cheer-

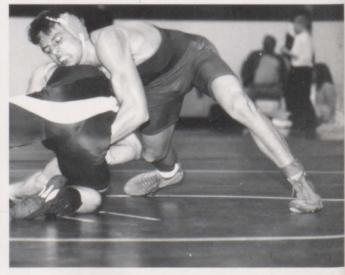
ing. Many could be seen sporting Mooresville wrestling sweatshirts around the gym during meets and at school. The renewed interest of the fans was a result of the commitment made by athletes in all sports during the school year.

Wearing protective face gear, junior Shawn Guernsey attempts to take down his opponent. Shawn was the team's MVP for the season.

Grappling with a tough Martinsville wrestler, senior co-captain Josh Alley tries to circle around for two points. Josh was both a sectional and regional champ in the state tournament series.







With a look that could kill, Brad Breedlove squeezes his man into a headlock. Brad was a state finals qualifier in his final year.



Wrestling Team--front: Joey Brattain, Cory Barger, Josh Beals, David Bowman, Steelee Lynn, Jon Theriac, Matt Evans; row two: Jake Woodland, Chad Holtzclaw, Shawn Guernsey, James Merriman, Brad Breedlove, Joe Ray, Tommy Perkins; row three: Scott Terry, Chris Wilson, Matt Roth, David Beals, Lincoln Russell, Brad Cooney, Josh Blackburn; back: Dan Goodwin, Chad Whitaker, Josh Alley, Merco Heitberg, Nick Sullivan, Waymon Clontz, Chris Lelak.



The 1996 Boys Wrestling Sectional and Regional Champions.



As he tries to gain a good hold, senior Lincoln Russell pushes down hard. Lincoln played a key role in the team's sectional and regional championships.

Looking for a way out, senior David Bowman fights for position. Situations such as these were when Pioneer wrestlers gave the extra effort to be tough.



Sectional Champions **Regional Champions** 

Varsity Wrestling

72-6

28-39

21-42

48-26

38-26

51-27

36-36

26-40

64-10

43-36

60-15

68-0

68-12

54-24

6-58

Tri West

Speedway

Brownsburg Franklin

Indpls. Tech

Greenwood

Plainfield Martinsville

Whiteland

Zionsville

Carmel

Sheridan Terre Haute N.

Center Grove

S. Vermillion

Center Grove

Greencastle

Beech Grove

Monrovia

MHS

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Reserve Wrestling				
MHS	36-42	Center Grove		
MHS	54-6	Speedway		
MHS	60-0	Tri-West		
MHS	21-48	Brownburg		
MHS	44-27	Fulton		
MHS	27-42	Center Grove		
MHS	46-12	Franklin C.		
MHS	21-55	North Central		
MHS	18- 0	Martinsville		
MHS	15-12	Beech Grove		
MHS	43-26	Decatur Centra		
MHS	60-0	Plainfield		



Watching the ball hurl toward the plate, senior Jamie Poulimas contributes to the Pioneer win. Pitching contributed by Poulimas and sophomore Suni Venable was an important ingredient of the Pioneers' success.

#### **Varsity Softball**

MHS 5- 3 Monrovia MHS 12- 2 Beech Grove MHS 1-20 Center Grove

MHS 3- 8 Ben Davis MHS 0-12 Plainfield

MHS 0-12 Plainfield MHS 12- 0 Lebanon

MHS 11-13 Franklin MHS 12- 2 Speedwa

MHS 12- 2 Speedway MHS 4- 6 Greencastle

MHS 4- 7 Whiteland MHS 7- 2 Avon

MHS 7- 2 Avon MHS 3- 2 Greenwood

#### Sectional

MHS 18-1 Eminence MHS 4-0 Greencastle

#### Regional

MHS 1-5 Turkey Run



Varstiy Softball Team--front: Suni Venable, Amanda Watson, Amie Frazier, Jamie Poulimas, Erika Miles, Kamille Wys; back: Debbie Fox, Kelli Norton, Kirsten Crooke, Lisa Ellis.



Reserve Softball Team--front: Alisa Tomlinson, Katie Beasley, Adria Lambert; row two: Coach Marci Theobald, Amanda Blackwell, Nikki Edwards, Nikie Hunter, Jessica Franklin, Amanda Clark; back: Kaci Ransome, Emily Miles, Marlena Perry, Karissa Wys, Nickole Bolus.



1996 Girls Softball Sectional Champions





#### Girls improve play, get drenched Sean O'Riley

Weather was on everyone's minds during the girls softball season. Coach Brett Taber's biggest frustration for the season was not a grand-slam home run for the other team in the championship game or an error that let that tying run

go home; it was the nasty, rainy weather which left the group with seven "lost" (cancelled) games due to the rain.

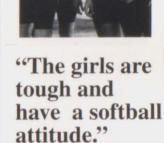
Despite the weather, the girls rallied together to pull in a valuable season. Starting with a couple of wins fired up the team. The slight losing streak that followed did not drop the spirits of these athletes as the girls pulled through and won a fair amount of their remaining games.

Coach Taber said that halfway through the season the defense stepped up and played like a defens with seven seniors should play. The Pioneers finished the last half with only two errors and the last five games with no errors.

"The girls are tough and have a softball attitude. You have to have some toughness in you to be an athlete," Taber said.

Although he would lose several seniors at the end of the season, Taber said he still felt positive because he would have sophomore pitcher Suni

tough and attitude." Brett Taber, Coach



Venable and sophomore catcher Kristy Cohee. Suni was the go to pitcher with an ERA of 1.56, and Jamie Poulimas backed her up with an ERA of 3.10. Lisa Ellis was leading batter. The team as a unit had the highest batting average in their six year history. The effort paid off in a final highlight--a Sectional vicotry.



Senior Lisa Ellis fires a shot to first to stop the batter. Lisa stood strong on third and made many score-saving plays.

In a play at home platel, sophomore Kristy Cohee plans to foil her Turkey Run foe. Kristy made strong plays and performed great as an underclassman.

## Does Cold, rain

#### Good wins tallied despite weather

**Marcus Mathis** 

Mother Nature played havoc with the entire srping athletic schedule, but baseball may have been affected most. Students listened for morning results of baseball action on AM MHS as usual, but many days they



"It [the season] was a roller coaster with some real good moments."
Greg Silver, Head Coach

listened to afternoon announcements as well, just to see whether the next game was cancelled. The most inclimate weather in many years forced six of the 28 games to be cancelled and three others to be rescheduled.

Consequently, Coach Greg Silver described the overall season as a roller coaster that included some "real good moments."

Some of the highlights featured a big win over a state-ranked Avon team, a victory over Indinapolis city champion Ritter, the elimination of Monrovia in sectional competition, and a come-from-behind rally to defeat Tri West after being down by six runs.

At the end of the season, the team was ranked fourth in the conference and individual awards were presented to seniors Jason Edwards, most imporved, and Phil Munzer, most valuable player.

Munzer also was named to the area's 24-school region first team. His career record

included 87 RBIs and a place in the school's top ten records in 11 different areas.

Named "most improved player" at the end of the season, senior Jason Edwards takes his turn at bat.

Giving his all in a sectional game against Martinsville, senior Phil Munzer tags out Artesian Andrew Duncan. The Pioneer first baseman was named MVP at the spring sports banquet.











One of the leading hitters on the team, junior Chad Montgomery hustles back to first base after attempting a steal to second.



Varsity Baseball Team--front: Jan-Michael Scott, Eric Pugh, Clint Reedy, Jason McGowen, Jeremy Smith, Jonathan Young; row two: Jason Edwards, Josh Morgan, Andy Ray, Phil Munzer, Chad Montgomery; back: Coach Greg Silver, Coach Mike Curry, Tommy Gibson, Chad Smith, William Alumbaugh, Coach Chris Swisher.



Reserve Baseball Team--front: Jon Polson, Josh Elmore, Shamus Scott, Blake Lugenbeal; row two: Alan Loomis, Josh Stanton, Trent DeWitt, Chris Morton, Kevin Willis, Ben Morehouse; back: Coach Chris Swisher, Eric Pugh, Derrick Carter, Matt Dowden, Jon Young, Levi Griggs, Jason Linthicum, Brad Kirk, Coach Mark Rooker.



Freshman Baseball Team--front: Matt Evans, Michael Duncan, Chad Holtzclaw, Jon Polson, Justin Grounds, Bryant Trostle; back: Coach Mark Rooker, Jason Shuffield, Brandon Brock, Joey Coughlan, Derrick Carter, Josh Stanton, Trent DeWitt, Coach Chris Swisher.

As one of the team's top pitchers, senior Josh Morgan attempts to eliminate another batter. Josh finished his career in the sectional game against a tough Martinsville group that went on to win the Regional.

#### Varsity Baseball

14-5	Cascade
5-7	Brownsbrug

MHS 5-6 MHS Lawrence N

8 innings

MHS

MHS 21-8 Zionsville Danville MHS 9-4

10-11 Beech Grove MHS

MHS 4-2 Franklin

18-11 MHS Triton Central

MHS 18-7 Triton Central 0\_3

**MHS** Scecina

MHS 4-10 Decatur Central

MHS 11-4 Greencastle

MHS 3-13 Center Grove

0 - 8Plainfield **MHS** MHS 5-4 Avon

10-2 Speedway MHS

Brown County MHS 1-2

MHS 4-1 Greenwood Whiteland MHS 1-11

Tri West MHS 8-7

9-2 MHS Ritter

Sectional

9-0 MHS Monrovia

MHS 1-8 Martinsville

#### Reserve Baseball

MHS	6-3	Brownburg
MHS	8-3	Cascade

MHS Greencastle Martinsville MHS 0 - 12

MHS 3-0 Decatur Central

Greenwood 10-2 MHS MHS 5-14 Plainfield

1-2 MHS Center Grove

MHS 9-8 Speedway MHS 1-2 Warren Central

MHS 3-2 Edgewood

#### Freshman Baseball

MHS Greenwood 10-5

MHS 1 - 10Martinsville Plainfield MHS 4-10

MHS 13-1 Whiteland

MHS 9-8 Avon

MHS 4-12 Decatur Central

South Wayne MHS 10-0

MHS 3-5 Brownsburg

MHS 0 - 4Center Grove

3-1 Franklin MHS MHS 6-4 Edgewood Known for a strong stroke, junior Karen Parker chalked up several wins for the team by patiently outlasting her opponents. Except for a brief time-out for an ankle injury, Karen filled the number two singles spot througout the season.



Girls Tennis Teams--front: Joanna Shake, Kari Thompson, Amy Hughes, Erin Newsom, Marci Allen, Kellie Breedlove, Jessica Lugar; row two: Lindsay Hadley, Stacey Sheffler, Nikki Helton, Nikki Green, Karen Parker, Antje Bremer, Stacey Travelstead, Stephanie Phillips, Michelle Green, Emily Cordray; back: Coach Joyce Gilly, Emily Bernfield, Jennifer Ross, Karen Armstrong, Katie Underhill, Jocelyn Septoski, Tara Thacker.

#### **Girls Tennis**

MHS 3-2 Whiteland MHS 5-0 Speedway MHS 2-3 Franklin MHS Southport MHS 2-3 Plainfield MHS Greenwood MHS 2-3 Zionsville MHS Ben Davis MHS Center Grove 1-4 3-2 MHS Beech Grove Avon MHS 2-3 3-2 MHS Martinsville Sectional Semi-Finals

MHS 3-2 Martinsivlle Championship game MHS 0-5 Bedford North

Taking on the challenge of number one singles, sophomore Stacey Travelstead gives her best. By the end of the season, upperclass opponents weren't quite so intimidating.

Despite obstacles that included a bad appendix, the number two doubles team of Nikki Green and Joanna Shake combine forces for some important wins. Not the least of those wins was a must-win victory over Martinsville to advnace the team to the Bloomington North sectional finals.











## Challenges

#### Girls' opponents are weather, inexperience

**Andy Ray** 

"We learned that balls don't bounce when they freeze," said girls tennis coach Joyce Gilly. The three-year coaching veteran and her team faced an opponent more grueling than experienced teams of girls who had taken lessons

for years; they faced unbearable weather.

"I remember one day when we brought snow shovels to practice," said senior Lindsay Hadley. "Whenever the tennis balls hit the nets, ice shattered from them. The snow was falling into our eyes, the wind was blowing, and the balls had all lost their bounce because of the temperatures; but we braved the elements, because Ms. Gilly said we were 'real women."

The frigid temperatures helped bring the team together. Junior Jo Shake said, "In tennis we all became friends. In the cold season, all of us would get together in a big huddle."

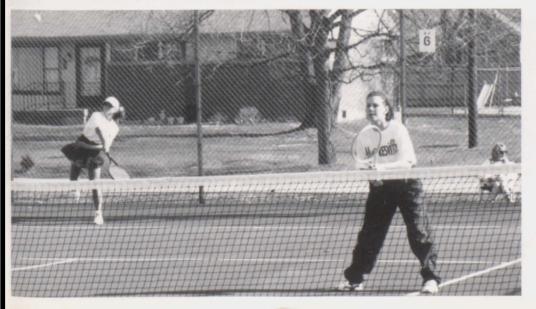
In January, the netters met for conditioning and practice. Throughout the five month season, the team was plagued by the cold and injuries, but the girls battled mightily and rose to the title of sectional runners-up.



"We all worked together and had a great time" Marci Allen, Junior

A new face to the courts was MHS graduate Amy Ward. Volunteering her time and experience, Ward assisted Coach Gilly and gave the team individual attention. Combining teamwork with concentration on court speed and ball placement led the team to an improved season of 6-9. Coach Gilly said, "They had a great work ethic. I was really happy overall. I had a great time, and I think the girls did too."

"We always had fun on the court," said Hadley. "Even when we waited for hours on the bus for rain delays, we always came together as a team and loved the game of tennis."



With three years of varsity experience, senior Lindsay Hadley was the team leader and "most valuable player." One of her jobs as a leader was to convince the others that it wasn't really THAT cold.

A highlight for the number two doulbes team of Erin Newsom and Lindsay Hadley was a run for the Mid-State Conference championship. Although they overccame tough opponents Plainfield and Avon, they lost to eventual champions, Beech Grove.

## Gowsistency

#### Team has good season, strong finish

Sean O'Riley

Although the golf team struggled for consistency early in the season, the guys still managed to pull together a 9-4 record and play well overall.

The boys looked forward to hosting the Mid-State on their home course, and they



"We all worked hard to make it a good season." Ryan Lambert Senior were dissappointed when a bad day left them in fifth place losing to two teams they had defeated in regular season play.

Several of the team members were underclassmen who played well despite their age and continued to improve throughout the season. Coach Jim Whitaker said he felt everyone peaked for the sectional. Whitaker was also pleased that the 9-4 overall record included three losses that were determined by two strokes or less.

Highlights for the team included: playing at the Speedway "Brickyard" course, compiling a 7-1 record at midpoint in the season, placing sixth in a 20-team inviational at Franklin (in which eight of the teams were ranked in the state's top 25), avenging losses to both Plainfield and Brownsburg later in the season, and placing fourth in the Sectional.

At the end of the season, Shane Ponchot had become the number one golfer to win MVP, and sectional medalist Ryan Lamber was named the mental attitude winner.

Other individual awards went to Tim Garner (rookie of the year, best putter, and most greens and fairways), Shane Ponchot (most birdies), and Clint Spaulding (most improved).



Follow-through requires keen concentration. Junior Nic Allen works on his put from the practice green.









As one of the senior leaders, Bryan Hughes serves as number one or number two player. He was a four-year member of the team.



Golf Team--front: Matt Ehresman, Clint Spaulding, Sam Miles, Chris Wright, Tim Garner, Corey Barger, David McCorkle; row two: Ryan Lambert, Bryan Hughes, David Whaley, Evan Goldsberry, Dayton Hornaday, Dustin Grimes, Shane Ponchot, Nic Allen.



Freshmen don't necessarily play like underclassmen as demonstrated by Tim Garner. Garner collected three of the awards during his first season on varsity.

Known for his competitive spirit, senior Ryan Lambert concentrates on the put. Lambert's enthusiasm earned him the team's mental attitude award.

Even underclassmen can lead the pack as sophomore Sara Harkema proved throughout the season. Harkema won the Mid-State Conference in the 100 meter low hurdles.

#### Girls Track

MHS	87-36	Beech Grove
MHS		Triton Central
MHS	54-53	Plainfeild
MHS	54-49	Whiteland
MHS	49-74	Danville
MHS	50-73	Franklin
MHS	63-60	Brownsburg
MHS	73-53	Decatur C.
MHS	73-29	Speedway
MHS	75-48	Avon
MHS	71-52	Greenwood
MHS	45-78	Center Grove

#### Mid-State Conference 2nd

#### Sectionals 5th

#### Regional 5th



Girls Track Team--front: Andrea Hopkins, Jena Alley, Alex Herter, Iesha Garcia, Racheal Burgess, Lora Rogers, Trisha Reed; middle: Sara Harkema, Amanda Perry, Amy Watson, Tracy Phillips, Amanda Watson, Kristy Iacabucci, Karissa Wys; back: Coach Farrand, Rhenita Martin, Morgan Roddy, Jessica Wright, Rachael Dobbins, Tracy Bridget, Susan Farmer, Kathy Scheigen, Coach Graves



**April Disney has yet another successful jump**. Disney advanced to Regional competition at Bedford North Lawrence. Traditionally, Pioneer girls were known for their skill at the high jump.



Trying to place in sectional competition, senior Lisa Ellis watches her discus. Ellis competed in track as well as softball during the spring.



#### Josh Alley

"Kiazen"-- gradual improvement and constant pursuit of perfection. This was the key word on which Coach Brinton Farrand based the '96 season.

"It was the little things we had to improve to be successful. If we did this then

it would be hard for others teams to stop us," Farrand said.

The girls were just shy of repeating as Mid-State Conference champions, placing second behind a strong Franklin team.

"We wanted to win [the conference] again for Coach Graves and Farrand, but it just did not work out that way. It is all right though because we will be back again next year," said junior Kelli Willis.

The team finished the season with a 9-3 record which was just shy of their pre-season goal of 11 wins.

"We would have reached our goal of 11, but due to the rainy season three meets were canceled. Those three meets would have been easy victories," Farrand said.

The lady tracksters advanced twelve runners through Sectionals and on to Regionals at Bedford North Lawerence. At Regionals Sara Harkema, Racheal Burgess, Andrea Hopkins,

competition at IUPUI. Willis, Burgess, and Harkema all made it in their individual events as well as in the relay.

Coach Farrand was more than satisfied with the season and said, "I had a great time, we had a great season, and I had a great bunch of girls to work with."

Kelli Willis, and Jena Alley all advanced to state





Concentrating on her throw is junior Rachel Dobbins. Dobbins was just short of advancing to the regionals.

Kicking it at the end is freshman Jena Alley. The freshman was one of the top sprinters for the Pioneers.

On her way to collecting 440 career points, senior Jackie Poehls prepares to pass a Center Grove opponent. Jackie was an important member of the girls track team for four years.



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"We wanted to

## Daw Experience

#### Young team improves as season progresses

Sean O'Riley

The wet, cold season seldom stopped the track team. When other athletic events were cancelled due to bad weather, the track team kept right on runnning, jumping, and freezing.

Feeling the hurt of losing many valuable seniors, the veteran runners pulled their novice counterparts together to form a great team.

"Our team wasn't as bad as the record indicated. Our team was very young and

we improved a lot during the season," said junior Matt Roth.

Much improvement could be seen as the year progressed. Coach Joel Beebe said, "I was very pleased with the determination and improvement I saw in my boys."

Many of the members stepped up and made their abilities known. Jumpers were the strong point in the team and contributed to many of the Pioneer points. Randy Stafford, junior, was a leading long jumper and sprinter. Seniors Jon Bigham and Adam Reedy led in distance.

Senior leadership, a factor on all athletic teams, was very important in this younger team. The highlight of this achievement could be seen in the placing in Sectionals. Some advanced to Regionals, but the improvement of the team was astonishing. The team placed sixth with Randy Stafford advancing to the Regional in long jump and high jump and Jonathan Bigham advancing in the 1600 meter run.(Jonathan missed state qualification by only one place.)

At the end of the season, Stafford was named MVP, and Bigham received the mental attitude award.

"Our team was very young and we improved a lot during the season." Matt Roth, Junior

Taking the corner tightly, sophomore Ben McCoy races to his partner in the 3200 relay. Ben was was the take-off man in the relay in addition to running long distance events.

Striding to get the fast start, sophomore Jimmy Sugars hands the baton to second leg runner Randy Stafford. The four hundred meter relay made great times and racked up points for the runners.









Leaping for the win, junior Randy Stafford jumps 20'1" for a third place finish at Sectionals. Randy placed in long jump and high jump.



**Boys Track Team--***front:* Chad Gillenwater, Daryl Smith, John Chappo, Matt Roth, Jon Bigham, Mike Barton, Ben McCoy; *middle:* Jimmy Sugars, Mike Camden, James Merriman, Adam Reedy, Terry Smith, Adam Frechette; *back:* Coach Karl Brown, Nick Sullivan, Jesse Burgess, Micah Cordray, Coach Joel Beebe.

#### **Boys Track**

Boys Track				
MHS	78-48	Cascade		
MHS	69-53	Beech Grove		
MHS	26,5-36	Whiteland		
MHS	26.5-104.5	Plainfield		
MHS	32-100	Danville		
MHS	42-90	Franklin		
MHS	23-103	Brownsburg		
MHS	41.5-78	Decator		
MHS	41.5-46.5	Speedway		
MHS	60-72	Avon		
MHS	56-76	Greenwood		
MHS	30-102	Center Grove		
MHS	57-73	Monrovia		
	Mid State			

7th
Sectional
6th



Bounding over the hurdle, senior Micah Cordray strains to finish the last few high hurdles in his event. Micah also competed in the 300 meter low hurdles and in sprinting events.

Keeping his pace, senior Adam Reedy coasts in for a finish on his long distance run. Adam was on the injured reserve list in the beginning of the season but returned to finish the last few races.

Continuing an award started in 1995, the Athletic Department recognized the MHS athlete with the highest grade point average.

The 1996 recipient was Lindsay Hadley. The valedictorian of her class played tennis all four years. During her tennis career, Lindsay earned three varsity letters and was captain and most valuable player of the team her senior year.



Lindsay Hadley

#### Six MHS athletes named 1995-96 Academic All-Stars

Several individual coaching associations honored athletes who met high academic and athletic requirements determined by the specific organizations as "Academic All-Stars." Those honored maintained a high GPA and played a valuable role on a high school athetic team.



Josh Alley Football, Wrestling



**Marcus Mathis Football** 



Andy Ray Football



**Aaron Thompson** Soccer

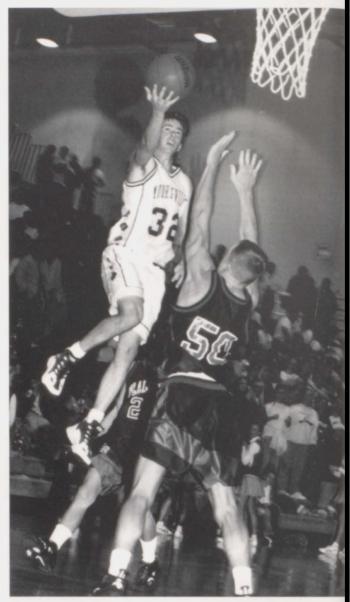


**Brad Breedlove** Wrestling(hon. mention) Track (hon. mention)



Jackie Poehls

Most Pioneers can "rise to the occasion" for a game against rive Plainfield. Shawn Stewart "flies" for another two points.





Versatility and endurance give Jackie Poehls the opportunity participate in a variety of track events. The distance runner was events a member of the record-holding relay team.

## tophonors

#### Poehls, Stewart named 'Athletes of the Year'

Marcus Mathis

Female "athlete of the year" Jackie Poehls compiled a long list of accomplishments during her high school athletic career which in-

cluded varsity letters in cross country, volleyball, and track.

She was the mental attitude award winner in both volleyball and track in 1995 and "most valuable runner" her senior year.

During the 1994 volleyball season, Jackie served the most aces and was the best overall server with a 99% average.

As she accumulated 440 points in track during her four-year career, she won 53 races, placed second in 23 races, and third in 11 races.

She was a Mid-State conference champion in the 3200 meter



**Jackie Poehls** 

run twice and the 1600 meter run once. She was also a Regional qualifier in the 3200 and 1600 meter runs during the 1995 and 1996 seasons. In addition, Jackie was a member of the 4x800 meter relay team that set a school record, and she placed fourth in her age group in the 1996 Mini-Marathon. Jackie was also presented the U.S. Army National Scholar/Athlete Award.

Although Shawn Stewart also participated in golf and tennis, he focused on basketball and soccer as an upperclassman, and he lettered

three times in both. During his sophomore year, he received the basketball team's "most improved" award, and as a junior he was named "best defensive player." Statistically, he was second in scoring his junior and senior year with a 13 ppg and 16 ppg average, along with a 38% three point field goal average. He was All-Conference, All-Sectional, and All-Area his junior and senior years as well as All-State Honorable Mention in Hoosier Basketball magazine.

Shawn was a starter on Mid-State championship teams in 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th grades. He started on a 12-and-under fourth place AAU national team and



Shawn Stewart

finished second in a Gus Macker three-on-three tournament. During his sopohomore year, Shawn started on the first MHS

soccer team. He was named All-Conference and All-Sectional his senior year as well his junior year. Shawn also received the U.S. Army National Scholar/Athlete Award.





Known for serving, Jackie Poehls, one of the team leaders, also shows strength at the

Like many of the seniors, Shawn Stewart feels special pride for being one of the original soccer team members.

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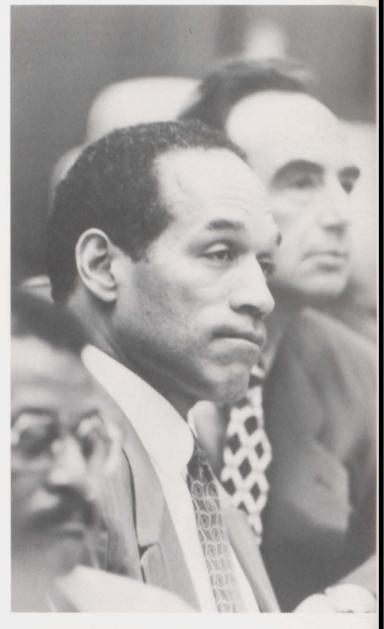
#### Eric Beebe

The trial which made Kato Kaelin, Mark Fuhrman, Rosa Lopez, Marcia Clark, Robert Shapiro, Johnnie Cochran, and Lance Ito household names came to a conclusion on October 3rd. O.J. Simpson was found not guilty of murdering Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman. The nation watched the verdict live, and everyone had his/her own opinion, which sparked racial tensions once again. The excitement continued well after the trial as Shapiro vowed never to work with Cochran again and said of colleague F. Lee Bailey, "It's a very sad point in my life. This is a man who I had a very, very close relationship with, and I will never have a relationship with him again."

Simpson promised, "I will pursue as my primary goal in life the killer or killers who slaughtered Nicole and Mr. Goldman." He canceled a scheduled national television interview, but later released a video tape. He found himself an outcast with many people.

#### UNABOMBER SUSPER DISCOVERED

After 16 bombings, 23 victims, which included three deaths, the Unabomber was taken into custody. The FBI was reportedly given information by suspect Ted Kaczynski's brother, David. Federal agents conducted a two month stakeout and finally, in April, raided his mountain cabin at Stemple Pass, Montana, where they discovered explosive chemicals and materials used for making bombs. Agents planned to match his saliva with the DNA of the saliva on postage stamps used to mail past bombs, and they also had a partial fingerprint from a device. Kaczynski had virtually isolated himself from society, and acquaintances were surprised to learn of the developments.



O.J. Simpson watches the courtroom proceedings with anticipation. It was a long and grueling process for everyone involved.

### Celebrity Deaths

Ron Brown
George Burns
Jerry Garcia
Shannon Hoon
Gene Kelly
Mickey Mantle
Minnie Pearl
Yitzhak Rabin
Orville Redenbacher



Mickey Mantle



President Bill Clinton delivers a speech. He talked not only about politics, but also about his personal affairs.



First Lady Hillary Clinton spent more time in the spotlight than most first ladies, often at the risk of criticism.

#### **POLITICS TAKES CENTER STAGE**

Eric Beebe

It was an important time in Washington and the rest of the political world. The Republican congress ended its first year, and Speaker Newt Gingrich continued to be a major political player.

The Clintons spent a lot of time dealing with their involvement, or lack thereof, in the Whitewater scandal. The President testified, and Mrs. Clinton was called before the grand jury.

As the Presidential primary season neared, popular figure Colin Powell announced he would not seek the Republican nomination, which left Bob Dole, Steve Forbes, and conservative Pat Buchanan as the frontrunners. Senator Richard Lugar of Indiana also ran but dropped out in March. His campaign suffered from lack of money and practically no media coverage. Bill Clinton ran unopposed on the Democratic side.



**Bob Dole** 



**Newt Gingrich** 

#### CABINET MEMBER KILLED IN AIRPLANE CRASH

Commerce Secretary Ron Brown died in a plane crash while traveling in the Balkans. The plane was thrown off course by heavy rains and gusting winds and crashed into a ridge. Brown, 54, was discovered along with the other 34 passengers the next morning. Brown spent much of his life helping the crises in the Middle East and helping minorities in the political world. The remains of the victims were brought back to the United States for a memorial service.

#### News Briefs

The Million Man March on October 16 was organized by controversial Islamic leader Louis Farrakhan and took place in Washington, D.C. The peaceful gathering included praying and singing.



The winter of 1996 was one of the worst ever for much of the eastern part of the United States. Snowfall was way above average, and blizzards weren't uncommon. MHS missed four days of school, forcing Mid-Winter Break to be canceled.



The United States sent troops to Bosnia to try and keep the peace. Although it was a frequently appearing news story, many students didn't completely understand the situation.

A man armed with four guns walked into a school in Dunblane, Scotland, and killed 16 kindergarten children, their teacher, and finally himself. "I can only describe what I saw... as a medieval vision of hell," said paramedic John McEwan.

Bill Gates, 39-year-old chairman of the Microsoft Corporation, was named the richest man in the world. His worth was about \$14.8 billion.



Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin was assassinated after a political rally. The 74- year-old leader had dedicated his life to peace in the Middle East.



Pope John Paul II returned to the United States for his fourth papal trip. It was his 67th trip outside of Italy.

Lyle and Eric Menendez were found guilty of killing their parents. The boys claimed it was revenge after many years of abuse and turmoil.

### THANKEY STANDED THANKEY MICHAELYHILE

Eric Beebe

After a rough winter, Mother Nature continued her cruel treatment of the Mooresville area on April 19. Several tornadoes, high speed winds, and hail threw the roofs off of several buildings, causing thousands of dollars of repair. Many students suffered massive car and house damage. Two of the hardest hit areas were Fox Hill and Smith Valley Road.



The Fox Hill area took a hard hit in the storm. It took months to put things back in place and make repairs.

Photo by Jarod Overton

Perhaps even more disheartening was the number of residents without insurance who tried desperately to salvage whatever was possible. Mooresville residents came together to help those in need, and throughout the next week, Ameritech employees and insurance adjustors could be seen all over town.

The Spotlighters were competing in California at the time of the storm and learned of it by seeing Mooresville on the national news. Anxious moments passed as students called home to make sure things were okay. Despite much damage, there were no severe injuries.

Although everyone worked diligently to get things back in order, it would take months for people to completely recover from the devastating storm.

#### Young Pilot Killed In Crash

Seven-year-old Jessica Dubroff attempted to fly a plane across the United States on April 11. With her father and flight instructor at her side, Jessica successfully took off from Half Moon Bay, California. Several stops were planned along the way, including one in Cheyenne, Wyoming. After a short delay due to bad weather, the flight departed from Cheyenne. Minutes later, the plane took a nose dive and crashed. The passengers were believed to be dead on impact.

Jessica's death ignited a debate across the country as many people were outraged that a young girl was given so much responsibility. Jessica's mother, Lisa Blair Hathaway, insisted, "Joe Reid is not seven years old. He was in control." Perhaps the most memorable words came from Jessica when she once said, "I'll fly 'til I die."

#### **Tragedy In Everglades**

What began as a routine flight from Miami to Atlanta soon ended in disaster. ValuJet Flight 592 reported smoke in the cockpit shortly after departure from Miami. Sensing danger, the pilots turned the plane around. However, the flight soon crashed into the Everglades, twelve miles north of Miami. 109 people were killed, and there were no signs of survivors. Rescue workers had a hard time finding anything at first as the plane virtually disintegrated. The cause of the crash remained a mystery long after the fact.

Many work overtime to put back together parts of the Mooresville area. The powerful storm caught many off guard.

Photo by Jarod Overton





#### SPORTS

#### Tragedy At Speedway

The racing world was stunned by the tragic death of Scott Brayton Friday, May 17. Brayton was practicing at the track when his car spun out of control and smacked the outside wall. He was immediately knocked unconscious and was pronounced dead later at Methodist Hospital. Just six days earlier, Brayton had captured the pole position for the Indy 500 for the second straight year. He was the most experienced driver entered in the race and was a fan favorite.

The month of May was rough at the Speedway before it even began. Speedway President Tony George formed his own Indy Racing League in the Fall of 1995. However, many top IndyCar drivers opted to stay in their own league, CART, which scheduled a race on the same day as the Indy 500. This caused Bobby Rahal, Al Unser Jr., Emerson Fittipaldi, and Michael Andretti to skip May in Indianapolis. Defending champion Jacques Villenueve went to the Formula One circuit following the 1995 season.

The race itself, which featured 17 rookies, went pretty smoothly. In only his fourth attempt, 29-year-old Buddy Lazier put himself among racing's elite by winning his first 500. Davy Jones finished second in the third-closest 500 ever. Richie Hearn, Alessandro Zampedri, and Roberto Guerrero rounded out the top five. Guerrero led the most laps with Lazier, Jones, Zampedri, and Tony Stewart as the only other lap leaders.

Although the atmosphere was different, most fans said they didn't really miss the old favorites once the race began.

#### Hawks Soar Past Pacers In Playoffs

After winning 52 games for the second year in a row, the Indiana Pacers were eliminated in the first round of the playoffs by the Atlanta Hawks.

The year was marred by injuries and several ups and downs. Rik Smits, Duane Ferrell, and Reggie Miller all spent substantial time on the injured list. Miller missed the final two weeks of the regular season and the first four games of the playoffs. Although he returned to score 29 points in Game 5, it wasn't enough to keep the season going.

Several milestones were reached in 1996 as coach Larry Brown won his 800th professional game, and Reggie Miller scored his 14,000th career point.

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#### Eric Beebe

1995 was a year Colts fans would not soon forget. After coming into the season with high expectations, the Colts finished with a 9-7 record and made the playoffs for the first time since 1987. They shocked many football fans with a 35-20 win in San Diego in the first round. Their improbable run continued through Kansas City, where they defeated the Chiefs, who had the league's best record. Many experts called the AFC Championship one of the best games of the year.

With the Steelers leading 20-16, top-rated quarterback Jim Harbaugh tried to engineer one more comeback. However, the ball fell just out of receiver Aaron Bailey's hands as time expired, and the season ended. Marshall Faulk, Wil Wolford, and Harbaugh were selected to the Pro Bowl, and Ted Marchibroda and his staff coached the AFC team.

The Colts continued to be the "talk of the town" way into February, as President Bill Tobin opted not to keep Marchibroda for next year, which outraged the public. Offensive coordinator Lindy Infante was named the new head coach, and Marchibroda landed as head coach in Baltimore.

#### 3 "PETE"

#### Purdue Pete And Boilermakers Capture Third Consecutive Big Ten Championship

The Purdue Boilermakers shocked all the experts by winning their third consecutive Big Ten Championship in 1996, something that hadn't been done in almost thirty years. Under the leadership of seniors Brandon Brantley, Herb Dove, Todd Foster, Roy Hairston, Justin Jennings, and Porter Roberts, the Boilers finished with a 15-3 league record (26-6 overall), which included a season sweep of Indiana and earned a number one seed in the West regional of the NCAA Tournament. Gene Keady was named AP Coach of the Year.

It was also a pretty successful year for the Indiana Hoosiers as they finished 19-12. Senior Brian Evans led the Big Ten in scoring and was named the league's MVP.

The NCAA tournament wasn't a success for either team as Indiana fell to Boston College in the first round, and Purdue was upset by Georgia in the second round. Indianapolis hosted first and second round games, which included Connecticut, Duke, UCLA, Princeton, and eventual Final Four team Mississippi State.

Jim Harbaugh earned the nickname "Captain Comeback" and won the hearts of Colts fans everywhere.

Photo courtesy of Indianapolis Colts





#### SPORTS BRIEFS

The **Atlanta Braves** won their first world series over the Cleveland Indians. After winning their fifth straight division title, Atlanta defeated Colorado and Cincinnati to advance to the series . Tom Glavine was named series MVP.



After spending years in the Big Ten's cellar, the **Northwesterm Wildcats** became the talk of college football. They went 10-2 for their first winning season since 1949 and went 8-0 in the Big Ten, earning their first Rose Bowl bid since 1949 before losing to USC. Gary Barnett was named coach of the year by several publications.



Pete Sampras and Steffi Graf ended the year as the number one players in tennis. They each won both Wimbledon and the U.S. Open. Monica Seles returned to the game for the first time since she was stabbed in 1993, and advanced all the way to the final of the U.S. Open.



The baseball world was shocked on opening day of 1996 as umpire **John McSherry** collapsed and died during the first inning of a game in Cincinnati. McSherry, who had a history of health problems, was one of baseball's finest umpires and worked many World Series and All-Star games.



The **Dallas Cowboys** won their third Super Bowl in four years, defeating the Pittsburgh Steelers, 27-17. After heavy criticism all year, coach Barry Switzer won his first title with the help of superstars Troy Aikman, Michael Irvin, Emmitt Smith, and Deion Sanders.

#### Record Setting Year For Baseball

In a year when baseball tried desperately to win back the fans, no one helped the cause more than Cal Ripken. On Wednesday, September 6, 1995, Cal played in his 2,131st consecutive game, making baseball history. It took him more than 13 seasons to eclipse Lou Gehrig's 56-year-old record. Ripken, 35, was given several ovations, and the President even made a special trip to see the record be broken. Perhaps the climax of the night was Ripken's home run.

Baseball saw a few other outstanding accomplishments in 1995. Atlanta pitcher Greg Maddux won his fourth consecutive Cy Young Award. He finished the year 19-2, and became the first pitcher since

Cal Ripken

1918-19 to have two consecutive ERA's under 1.80. Maddux also threw a two-hitter in Game One of the World Series.

Seattle pitcher Randy Johnson was the American League Cy Young winner. He led the majors for the fourth consecutive year with 294 strikeouts. Barry Larkin batted .319 and had 51 stolen bases to win the National League MVP, and Mo Vaughn took the honor in the American League by hitting 39 home runs and 126 RBI's.

While many fans were unforgiving of the strike at first, by the end of the year, baseball had regained much of its popularity.

#### **Musical Diversity Bombards MHS**

Eric Beebe

seemed to be divided evenly among the student body.

songs included "Ironic", "Glycerine", and "Peaches."

The different selections of music were more diverse than ever this year. Alternative, country, rap, and "mainstream"

The alternative scene was highlighted by Better Than Ezra, Bush, Collective Soul, The Cranberries, Live, The Presidents of the United States of America. The biggest group was Green Day, and the biggest new artist was Alanis Morissette. Top

Country continued its growing popularity, and featured Garth Brooks, Faith Hill, Reba McEntire, Tim McGraw, John

The year in rap was headlined by two major trials with Snoop Doggy Dogg and Tupac Shakur. Their musical careers

Michael Montgomery, George Strait, and newcomer Shania

Twain. Line dancing also continued to build popularity as the

continued despite the legal problems. Other big artists in-

cluded Coolio and Dr. Dre. Some big songs were "Gangsta's



Boyz II Men continue their reign in the 90s as their duet with Mariah Carey, "One Sweet Day", spent several weeks at Number One.

Green Day comes to Indy for a concert in the Fall of "95. Lead singer Billy Joe was the feature part of the act.



TLC climbs the charts in 1995 with hits "Waterfalls" and "Diggin' On You."

Country star Garth Brooks sells out three shows in Market Square Arena in mid-March. His new CD "Fresh Horses" was a big seller.



Newcomers Hootie and the Blowfish make a splash with "Only Wanna Be With You" and "Time." Pictured is lead singer Darius Rucker. Photos from RM Photo Services

Paradise" and "1,2,3,4." The mainstream area include veterans Boyz II Men, Mariah Carey, Celine Dion, Seal, TLC, and new superstars Hootie and the Blowfish. Big hits were "Kiss From a Rose", "Waterfalls", "Because You Loved Me."

big country craze.





ГОР	TV	SHOWS	TOP	MOVIES
Chicago Hope		Apollo 13		
		ER	Broke	n Arrow
Frasier		Clueless		
	F	riends	Mr. Holl	and's Opus
Home Improvement		Pocahontas		
	S	einfeld	Tv	vister

Twister was one of the top films of the year. Photo courtesy Warner Brothers.

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### Trends

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It was a year of champions as Pioneers brought home multiple titles and good records. Nothing helped school spirit more than victories, so Pioneer Pride was alive and well.

The band set the trend for the year which many others followed. They received awards at Greenwood, Ben Davis, and Plainfield and ended the year placing ninth in Regionals at Bedford North Lawrence. Freshman Jennie Mason said, "It was great to start high school band with such a good year. Hopefully, everything only gets better from where we are now."

The drum line also had great success. The group received "best percussion" awards at four of their six competitions with the marching band in addition to a contest at Morehead, Kentucky, where they placed second overall.

For the first time in its five year history, Finesse brought home a grand champion-ship from the "Best of the Midwest" contest in Center Grove. Senior Jessica Franklin said, "It was great after all our hard work to be able to bring home a championship." The group also came in first runner-up at Edgewood and third runner-up at Anderson Highland. Competing for the first time in a contest in St. Louis, Finesse placed second in showchoir competition, first in women's concert choir, and they were named grand champions overall.

The Spotlighters also had a successful year. They received first runner-up at Edgewood, fifth runner-up at Center Grove, and sixth runner-up at Anderson Highland. Senior Spotlighter Trent Mong said, "We worked very hard for this year's competition season. We had a blast performing and entertaining our audiences." Spotlighters traveled to California for the annual Showstoppers competition where they placed fourth runner-up out of twelve choirs. Spot Removers also received an award for best crew at Center Grove. Freshman Anna Edwards said, "A lot of people never realize how much work we do. It was great to be recognized with an award."



Saluting the audience, senior drum majors Erik Blackburn and Maranda Willis prepare to start the show. The season was a great success with the marching Pioneers advancing to Regionals.

Making a connection with the audience, junior Brandy Bradley does her best for Finesse. The girls group had the most successful competition season in their history.

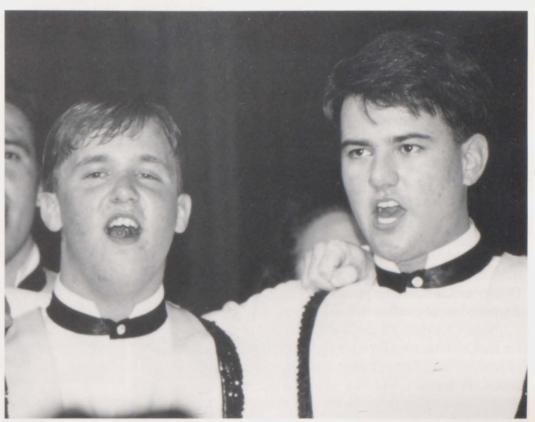






Junior Sonya Vail peforms with "finesse" for Finesse. Peforming for an audience let students experience a thrill they would otherwise never have known.

Singing with Spots for the last time, seniors Trent Mong and Doug Leeper experience nostalgia. Spring Spec was a time to share memories and say goodbye.





Concentrating on their part, senior Mandi Schmelz and sophomore Stacey Travelsted perform with the pit during the marching band field show. The pit added many great effects to the band's performance.

### Spotlighters perform with Excitement

#### **Stephanie Lewis**

Spotlighters' year was a whirlwind of activity. In addition to many local performances, they had a very successful competition season, making the finals at every invitational for the first time in the eight years that Mrs. Elaine Moebius had been directing.

In April, they traveled to California to participate in the "Showstoppers" competition at Disneyland, where they placed third going into finals and came out fourth runner-up over all.

Senior Lindsay Hadley said, "We prepared for the California trip for a long time with hours of practice time, tons of music, and a lot of pizza sauce. It seemed like the anticipation and fundraisers would never end, but performing on the Disneyland stage and the memories made it all worth while. It was the most wonderful trip ever."

The Spotlighters would not have been as successful as they were without the help of the Spot Removers or the Hot Spots band. Both of these groups helped out behind the scenes. The Spot Removers were given the "Best Crew" award at Center Grove, and the band won best back-up band at St.Louis.

After Spring Spectacular when Spotlighters thought the year was over, they were invited to perform for Showchoir Camps of America in July...and well, who could resist?

Spotlighters--front: Brandon Giger, Mandi Corwin, Erin Miller, Maranda Willis, Jackie Poehls, Meghann Yoke, Craig Wilkins; row two: Kristi Roberts, Trent Mong, Lindsay Hadley, Mitch DePoy, Doug Leeper, Sammi Crimmins, Andy Smith, Jennifer Yarnell, Josh Smith, Lena Wilson, Tom Snider; row three: Joel Curts, Scott Johnson, Jason Wingate, Erin Newsom, Nic Allen, Michele Cadwell, Randy Stafford, Joni Thrasher, Steve Hoffman, Alyson Summers, Aaron Kitchens, Eric Blackburn, Jennie Mason; row four: Eric Beebe, Sarah Beeler, Steve Newman, Jimmy Chenowith, Amber Shillings, Amy Casamer, Anthony Basso; row five: Courtney Haxton, Jasup Smith, Kristy Cohee, Jed Adams, Katie Underhill, Danny Bradley, Megan Schneider, Johnny McGinnis, Jocelyn Schneider, Chris Burns.

## Removers, Hot Spots otlighters,





130 Spotlighters



Overalls help set the mood for the Spotlighters' competition show finale of "I Feel The Earth Move" and "Jam." The high energy presentation was typical of the group's reputation.



Spotlighter men are featured for "Carry On," an "oldie but goodie" that all ages could enjoy. Both the boys and girls were featured in one number.

A patriotic finale for Spring Spectacular includes Sammi Crimmins and Randy Stafford as a couple reunited after the war. The finale included individual performances and all choirs.



And the Spotremovers are champions too! Celebrating their crew trophy at Center Grove are front: William Whitman row two: Jason Sheffield, Chad Gillenwater, Josh Skinner, Joe Ray, Anna Edwards, Becca Maddox; back: Ben Ruoff, Justin Grounds, Rachel White, Joey Walls, Chris Smith.

The history of some Spotlighter duos, including seniors Lindsay Hadley and Trent Mong, went all the way back to junior high choir. It all added up to a lot of fun...and shared perspiration!







They "felt the earth move under their feet" in Disneyland as the Spotlighters concluded their first performance in "Showstoppers" competition. The group advanced to the finals and placed fifth overall in the company of two other Indiana show choirs, Anderson Highland and Edgewood.

As one of many props used in the Finesse show, a phone helps sophomore Rachel Caraboa present the "number." Rachel was a first year Finesse member.

Showing the audience that she is "In the Mood," sophomore Nikki Stewart portrays her role in the performance. Audiences and judges enjoyed the red gloves clothesline transit.

Second year Finesse member Abby Collier has a unique approach to "Why Haven't I Heard From You?" The song was used thoughout competition season.







Finesse members Abby Collier, Priscilla Milner, Angie Mason, Faith Wright, Amber Wolma, Renee Reedy, Stephanie Lewis, and Lizzy Bach pal around with a few of the characters at Six Flags. The group finished out a great season with an overall grand champion at the St.Louis Music Festival.





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## Finesse sings with winning Ittitude

**Stephanie Lewis** 

Opening the competition season with a bang, Finesse was named grand champion at the "Best of The Midwest" competition at Center Grove. This was the first grand champion trophy for the group in its five years of competition. In addition, Finesse was first runner-up at Edgewood and fourth at Anderson Highland.

When Finesse traveled to competition in St.Louis, the goal was to win grand champion as a show choir. Although the group had to settle for first-runner up in that area, the trophies they won definitely made up for it: first in women's concert choir, best soloist, best back-up band, and grand champion overall.

The show, directed by Mrs. Elaine Moebius and choreographed by Christy Chitwood, had several judge- and crowd-pleasing segments including an opening duet by Molly O'Riley and Faith Wright backed up by the group sporting bright yellow raincoats and red umbrellas, and a number that featured red gloves delivered to the performers by clothesline.

Finesse would not have been as successful without the help of the backup band and the stage crew called Lil'Bit of Finesse. Both of these groups worked hard behind the scenes to make sure that the show ran smoothly.

Senior Angie Mason said, "This year in Finesse has really helped make my senior year more memorable."



Finesse--front: Priscilla Milner, Jolie Robling, Tara Thacker, Angie Mason, Jessica Franklin, Faith Wright; row two: Lindsay Wolfe, Renee Wewe, Nikki Stewart, Jennifer Shawhan, Stephanie Lewis, Lizzy Bach, Kamille Wys, Alisa Tomlinson, April Martin; row three: Nikki Edwards, Renee Reddy, Jaime West, Molly O'Reily, Amber Wolma, Abby Collier, Heather Rodenbeck, Elaine Smith; row four: Alicia Phelps, Jennifer Ragan, Laura Barton, Emily Bernfield, Brandy Bradley, Tracy Marine, Sonya Vail, Suni Venable; back: April Disney, Karen Parker, Sara Crews, Michele Lennis, Rachel Caraboa, Shellie Herchet, Candy Born, Tracy Bridgett, Kim Petry.

#### Varsity, Genesis perform with

#### Precision

#### **Stephanie Lewis**

Although students who participated in Varsity and Genesis choirs did not participate in as many competitions as Spotlighters and Finesse, many were just as enthusiastic about music, and the groups' increasing enrollment required a new system of two separate choirs, an all-girls choir and a mixed choir. Like the other groups, their costumes carried out a blue and red theme.

Freshman Kori Wilkins said, "I really liked being in Genesis. It was a lot of fun, and we got really close as a group as the year went on."

Varsity and Genesis choirs entertained the audience at Wagon Trails Revue. Varsity added variety with a "Seventies Medley" and "Turn The Beat Around," and Genesis kept them tapping their toes to a "Twenties Medley."

Mixed Varsity senior Melissa Caupp said, "I was not in choir my junior year, and I really missed being a part of it. Being in Mixed Varsity added a little something extra to my senior year."

All four groups performed for the spring ISSMA contest, and all received "superior" ratings.

The conclusion of the year included specific group performances for Spring Spectacular in addition to several parts in the patriotic finale, "Song of America."

Varsity Mixed- front: Jennifer Bruno, Mindi Schmelz, Holly Phillips, Megan Murphy, Tiffany Breeden, Korey Bucker, Nicole Hammonds, Jordan Graves, Jennifer Miller: row two: Rebecca Maddox. Adrian Burner, Amy Perry, Stephanie Phillips, Christina Cooper, Amanda Hamble Kylee Coy, Mandi Schmelz, Nicole Smith; row three: Audrey Matlock, Christina Worland, Kellie Coleman, Kelli Willis, Emily Cordray, Jennifer Dildine, Steph Cole, Leia Martin , Karen Moore; row four: B. J. Mays, Randy Summers, Brad Bradberry, Daniel Hall, Eric Smith, Joey Walls, Darryl Smith, Chad Howell, Chris Stevens; back: Natalie Holtzclaw, Christina Edwards, Heidi Henry, Ann Doty, Terry Smith, Alicia Whitley, Amanda Stevens, Rachel Dobbins, Rachael White.

134 Varsity Choirs









With the help of white straw hats, junior Varsity member Terry Smith and senior Randy Summers perform for Wagon Trails Revue. Every choir performed in the annual variety show which included over 400 performers.



Jennifer Witt, Brandi Gibson, Michelle Lee, Christine Llewellyn, B.J. Morris; row two: Katie Beasley, Jessica Lugar, Sarah Squires, Tracey Crusenberry, Jeanie Newman, Nicole Dowell, Jennifer Cheek; row three: Julie Reynolds, Sarina Kaufman, Dawn Cress, Angel Archer, Malinda Parrish, Stephanie McCormick, Ronli Ratliff, Jennifer Walker; back: Marni Herrin, Heather Yoder, Nicole Williams, Melissa Pearson, Heather Carter, Amy Spearman, Alicia Taylor.

Varsity Girls--front: Michelle McCarty, Liz Painter, Brandi Kough,



Genesis Girls- front:: C. Riddle, A. Mertens, S. Clevenger, T.Reed, K. Taylor, A.Newhart, L.Halton; row two:C.Davis, L.Mong, M.Romero, J.Henard, K.Fisher, K.Middleton, M. Green; row three: K. Iacobucci, D. Thompson, B. McMasters, N. Bolus, J.Alley, K. Wys, K. Ransome, A. Watson; back: L. Parker, K. Wilkins, A. Walls, J. Ross, M. Epley, K. Hoseclaw, C. Denny.



Genesis Mixed-front: R.Dozier, A. Brown, M. DiMeo, A. Edwards, J. Bosaw, S. Maxfield, R. Rickettes, A. Sparks, S. Kouns, M. Greene; row two:L.Ladd, T. Phillips, K. Schlangen, M. Many, L. Rogers, T. Allen, J. Mynatt, M. Fry, A. Coleman; row three: A. Bault, J. Tipmore, J. Barnhill, A. Perry, A. Jaynes, M.. Lynch, A. Watson, A. Perry, A. Overholtz; row four: B. Ruoff, C. Smith, K. Reyman, J.White, J. Grounds, J.Brown, S. West, W. Whitman, C. Smith; row five: A. Hunteman, K. Bilby, S. Cummins, C. Born, R. Houghland, J. Schneider, S. Untersinger, J. Phelps; back: J. Shuffield, J. Ray, J. Skinner, D. Kirk, N. Kenworthy, C. Gillenwater, J. Williams.

Concentrating to get the right notes, senior Erik Blackburn shows off his skill. Concerts gave many band students a chance to display their musicianship.



Joining the band for his last year at Mooresville, senior Joe Eversole plays his string bass with the marching band as the group performs its

field show.

Getting into the holiday spirit, junior Chris Sharp plays in the pep band. For many members, basketball games were a chance to show off Pioneer and holiday spirit.

Entertainment comes in many different shapes and sizes, as freshman Jeremy Basso tries to get a laugh.

Concert Band--front: M. Rea, M. Schmelz, M. Schmelz, J. Septoski, S. Travelsted, N. Smith, J. Newman, B. Perry, J. Baker, A. Taft, W. Whitman; row 2: A. Bischoff, S. Becker, K. Schlangen, K. Schweigen, M. Henning, J. Gee, M. Lynch, S. Trader, A. Phelps, L. Ladd, E. Allen, A. Walls, A. Tyree, A. Bault, P. Walton, J. Shuffield; row 3: C. Gillenwater, T. Snyder, C. Smith, M. Willis, S. Beeler, C. Haas, K. Roberts, A. Taylor, D. Miller, K. Walden, J. Skinner, M. Barton; row 4: E. Blackburn, S. Johnson, K. Bailey, D. Napier, C. Craig, C. Haxton, J. Basso, J. Adams, M. Oschman, J. Taylor, J. Rea, B. Morehouse, K. Huerkamp, J. Sachs; row 5: C. Sharp, J. Mason, C. Burns, G. Walden, T. Ramey, P. Mayo, L. Mong, M. Dowden, D. Hornaday, S. Irwin, J. Cothran, A. White, B. Ruoff; back: J. Geisking, B. Travelsted, C. Martin, S. Bruner, J. Wilcurt, J. McGinnis, W. Earnest, G. Harris.









# Band, Pep Ban

#### Bands begin new year

#### With Pride'

Melissa Rea and Kathy Schweigen

Students in the Pioneer Band received the recognition they deserved. Not only did the group earn many awards, but they also heard many compliments for a job well done.

The marching band moved its way to the top, earning a first division rating at both District and Regional competitions. Senior Erik Blackburn said, "I think we had a very successful year, and we're on our way to going to State."

The pep band also had a great year. The cheerleaders recognized the group's Pioneer spirit by displaying a banner that read: "The best fans in the stands, the MHS Pioneer Band." Sophomore Kyle Huerkamp said, "It was cool supporting our basketball teams."

The concert season also went well for the band with exceptional performances at Wagon Trails Revue, the winter concert, and the ISSMA District Contest in the spring. Senior Angie Bischoff said, "The extra time spent in band brought many people closer together, sort of like a family. A lot of friendships started in band."

Many students also went to Solo & Ensemble Contest to experience individual performances. Freshman Cammie Haas said, "Solo & Ensemble was a fun experience, and it was a privilege to get to go to State as a freshman."

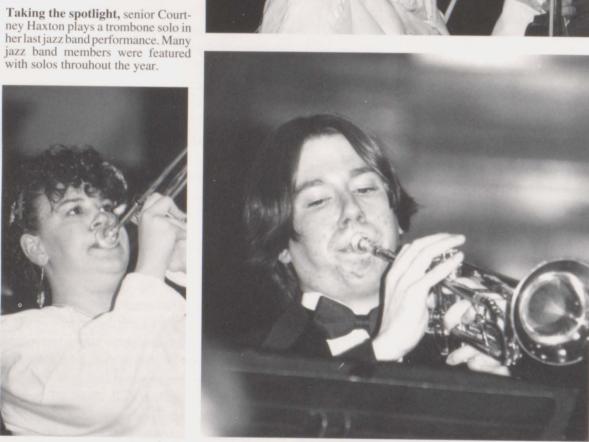


Pep Band--front: M. Willis, C. Haxton, J. Rea, M. Oschman, J. Basso, J. Taylor, C. Smith, E. Blackburn; row 2: B. Ruoff, G. Walden, J. Cothran, M. Dowden, T. Ramey, S. Irwin, L. Mong, P. Mayo, B. Morehouse; row 3: D. Hornaday, S. Becker, J. Eversole, J. McGinnis, S. Bruner, B. Travelsted, C. Martin, J. Mason, A. White, C. Craig, K. Schweigen; row 4: S. Johnson, K. Bailey, D. Napier, S. Beeler, K. Walden, A. Taylor, C. Haas, M. Barton, K. Huerkamp, J. Skinner; row 5: M. Lynch, A. Phelps, E. Allen, L. Ladd, J. Gee, M. Henning, M. Schmelz, M. Schmelz, N. Smith, S. Trader; back: A. Bault, A. Tyree, A. Walls, P. Walton, A. Taft, M. Rea, B. Perry, W. Whitman, J. Septoski, J. Baker.

Covered in white rags and string, senior David Billington dresses in a mummy costume for the "Octoboo" concert.

Sitting side by side, cellists sophpomore Jed Adams and junior Megan Schneider work for the perfect blend of sounds.



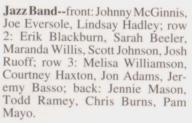






With tight lips and deep concentration, junior Todd Ramey jazzes up the gym during the Band-O-Rama.

The spring concert combined the middle school and high school bands.







## zz Band, Orchestra, Jazz

## Groups perform with special Style

#### Melissa Rea and Kathy Schweigen

Jazz band and orchestra gave students a chance to display their musical talents and to have fun. Both groups performed in several concerts including Wagon Trails Revue, the Winter Concert, and separate spring concerts.

Under the direction of Miss Amy Fanning, the jazz band had a year of change. Besides the new director, the group also had its first annual jazz band concert with several instrumental and vocal solos. The jazz band also received a first division rating at an organizational contest at DePauw University, and the group participated in a workshop at Bloomington High School. Junior Todd Ramey said, "Jazz band was a great opportunity to play a style of music that the band never plays and to improve skills."

In addition to the second annual "Octoboo" concert and the ISSMA organizational contest, the orchestra also did a little bit of traveling. The group performed at the Smokey Mountain Music Festival in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. After the three day trip, the students returned to display a first place trophy. Hard work, dedication, and a little bit of fun all added up to success for the orchestra. Senior Joe Eversole said, "This year was one of the best years the orchestra has ever had."



Orchestra--front: Jennifer Miller, Alison Turner, Anna Turner, Renee Wewe, Jocelyn Schneider, Tina Sharp, Renee Reedy; row 2: Julie Lundy, Karen Moore, Rachel Dobbins, David Billington, Brandy Stanley, Corrie Bucker, Kyle Huerkamp, Josh Hause, Megan Schneider, Jennifer Ash, Lindsay Hadley; row 3: Jenifer Tyree, Jennifer Baker, Pam Mayo, Shawn Austin, Kris Bailey, Kristy Iacobucci, Jessica Wright, Jason Hause, Amanda Perry, Garry Harris, Heather Miller, Katrina Hornaday, Jed Adams; row 4: Josh Sears, Travis Walls, Kori Wilkins, Hannah Thomas, Nicole Fontaine, Michael Walden, Zack Ellis, Brandon Bowen, Jason Campbell; back: Krissi Campbell, Kevin Doyle, Joe Eversole, David Whaley.

## Specialty groups look to the Future

#### Melissa Rea and Kathy Schweigen

Every part of the band was in sync. The indoor drumline was introduced to became a new and exciting experience for many band members, and the color guard produced one of the most extraordinary shows in recent years.

The indoor drumline performed with various parts from the marching field show entitled "Africa." They first performed in the RCA Dome placing fourth out of twelve, and again at Morehead University in Kentucky placing second. Senior Nicole Smith said, "It was exciting, considering it was my senior year, and it was our first year in competition."

The color guard presented an excellent show during the football season; and the winter show visualized many colors as they portrayed a futuristic circus. Many uncommon dances were performed, far from traditional color guard shows. Although their show did not win honors, the intensity flooded the stands as crowds cheered for the guard. Senior Terri Bilby said, "Even though we weren't successful at gaining trophies, we were still number one when it came to attitudes and performance level."

Both groups finished the year with a great sense of accomplishment and with hope that upcoming years would be even better.

Color Guard--front: Sarah Allison, Heather Phillips, Shannon Anderson, Terri Bilby, Corrie Balbinot, Leigh Ann Langlais, Kelly McCormick; row 2: Holly Phillips, Cary Riddle, Melinda Cornett, Toni Smith, Christa Pace, Cassi Bowen; back: Brandi Kough, Katie Bilby, Kym Schlangen, Crystal Schmidt, Kelli Taylor, Amanda Haynes, Becky Silvers.

## olor Guard, Indoor Drum







Focusing on the show, senior Sarah Allison grips her flag tightly as she prepares for the next move. Both make-up and costumes were crowd favorites.

Balancing a ball with her head, junior Toni Smith performs with the color guard. The multi-act show included many individual performances.







Enjoying her last performance at



Smiling for the camara, members of the indoor drumline reach to be included in the showing of their trophy.



Indoor Drumline--front:Josh Geisking, Steve Bruner, Chris Martin, Johnny McGinnis, Brian Travelsted, Chris Sharp, Jay Wilcurt, Wesley Earnest; row 2: Stacey Duggan, Kathy Schweigen, Terri Bilby, Christa Pace, Amanda White, Cammie Haas, Jocelyn Septoski, Michelle Henning, Jennie Mason, Cary Riddle, Holly Phillips, Jeff Briney; back: Gary Harris, Stacey Travelsted, Mindi Schmelz, Stephanie Cothran, Nicole Smith, Maranda Willis, Allison Bault, Mandi Schmelz, Sharon Trader.

## Clubs experience different foreign

# Cultures

Melissa Rea & Kathy Schweigen

Many foreign language club members participated in activities throughout the year. Events that involved all three clubs included Homecoming sign-making sessions, Christmas caroling at Kendricks' Hospital, Mardi Gras mask-making and party, and the annual trip to King's Island.

French club members enjoyed eating tons of French foods at the crepe and fondue parties, as well as at several different French restaurants. The group also spread Christmas cheer by donating toys to the Church in Mission.

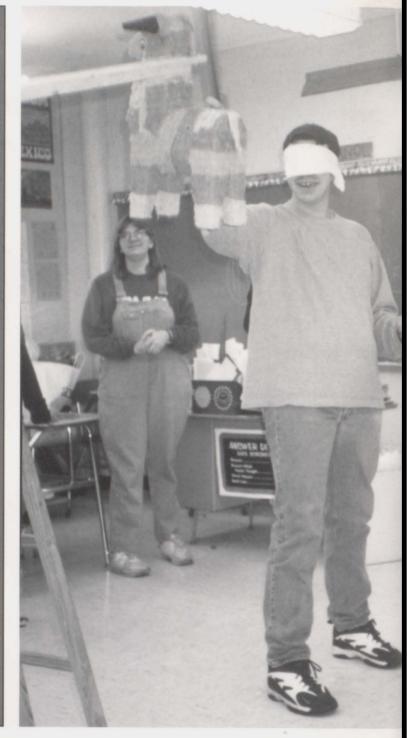
German club attended the Oktoberfest at German Park to begin the year. Other activities included pretzel-making, a Halloween costume party, and the making of "Lil' Luvilies" for Valentine's Day. Junior Shana Becker said, "We have good leadership, and our activities are fun for everyone. We also enjoyed meeting exchange students from the Cologne-Indianapolis Exchange program."

Spanish club held many different parties, all of which included various kinds of Mexican food. They ate at Don Pablo's in addition to watching American movies in Spanish.

Foreign language clubs definitely gave students the chance to learn more about different cultures outside the classroom.

French club--front: Kelly Ward, Jordan Graves, Marci Allen, Crystal Parker, Meghann Yoke, Lorri Copeland, Kelly McCormick, Sarah Allison, Tabitha Moss; row 2: Mrs. Kim Peters, Amanda White, Jennie Mason, Alisa Tomlinson, Sarah Maxfield, Amber Mertens, Elayne Smith, Jenni Beyersdorfer, Holly Phillips, Kelli Taylor; row 3: Melissa Many, Jeanie Newman, Samantha Irwin, Jeremy Basso, Corrie Bucker, Kori Wilkins, Heather Rodenbeck, Alicia Phelps; row 4: Amanda Watson, Jennifer Phelps, Megan Schneider, Emily Cordray, Katherine Paschal, Laura Barton, Kevin Dick, Beth Watson, Alicia Taylor; back: Kris Bailey, Melissa Rea, Anthony Basso, Jennifer Baker, Jenifer Tyree, Jennifer Ash, Randy Stafford, Eric Beebe.

# ench, German, Spanish, Fi







Attempting to break the pinata, senior David Whaley tries his hand at a common Spanish game. A blindfold added interest..and danger.

As they work together to prepare a batch of pretzels, foreign exchange students Antje Bremer and Alexandra Herter find cooking to be fun.







Joining in the fun of Mardi Gras, Spanish teacher Mrs. Carolyn Blickenstaff models a mask made by a club member.

As she pieces together her Mardi Gras mask, freshman Allison Bault cuts and pastes paper to her designs, adding glitter for the final touch.

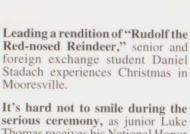




German Club--front: Angie Coleman, Kathy Schweigen, Lisa Nungester, Jeremy Lykins; row 2: Josh Hause, Kyle Huerkamp, Chris Smith, Kelley Coleman, Mrs. Donna Drake; back: Chris Lelak, Heather Miller, Megan Lynch, Jocelyn Schneider.

Spanish Club--front: Mrs. C. Blickenstaff, R. Ricketts, A. Edwards, T. Mong, R. Goldsberry, J. Dildine, C. Riddle, J. Bosaw, J. Beals; row 2: S. Seaver, D. Thompson, M. Romero, K. Iacobucci, B. Bargo, L. Moler, C Davis, K. Beam; row 3: A. Bault, B. Chandler, B. Stanley, J. Reed, H. Bodell, A. Tyree, J. Schiele, J. Schiele, J. Lugar; row 4: M. Parrish, J. McDaniel, A. Loomis, K. Petrey, M. Murphy, M. Perry, K. Tidd, L. Silcox, K. Parker, A. Watson; row 5: M. Yoke, J. McGinnis, S. Allison, C. Balbinot, T. Ramey, S. Brown, J. Lundy, K. Sharpe; back: J. Tinsley, C. Martin, B. Travelsted, J. Yates, R. Dobbins, M. Williamson, M. Williamson, J. Chappo, T. Moffat; row 7: T. Snider, T. Thacker, J. Burgess, D. Whaley, J. Overton, J. Rea, J. Ruoff, J. Wingate. Enjoying the ride, Student Council members Erin Miller, Mandi Corwin, and Jackie Poehls ride through town in the Homecoming parade.

National Honor Society membership becomes reality for junior Marci Allen. Senior members led the induction of the new members.



It's hard not to smile during the serious ceremony, as junior Luke Thomas receives his National Honor Society certificate. One senior and 21 juniors were inducted at the end of the year.











**Academic Superbowl--***front:* Heather Miller, Melissa Rea; *back:* Anthony Basso, Kyle Huerkamp, Chris Smith.



National Honor Society--front: Crystal Parker, Mindi Schmelz, Tom Snide David Billington, Meghann Yoke, Leigh Ann Langlais, Kelly McCormic row 2: Jackie Poehls, Lindsay Hadley, Lorri Copeland, Erika Wilson, Man Schmelz, Jeremy Lykins; back: Trent Mong, Maranda Willis, David Whale Adam Reedy, Brian McInerny, Debbie Fox.



### Honorary, elected groups promote

# Leadership

Melissa Rea and Kathy Schweigen

National Honor Society, Student Council, and Academic Team provided students with a chance to display and use outstanding academics and excellent leadership skills.

NHS was a national organization to recognize students who qualified in four categories: leadership, scholarship, service, and character. The members were inducted at the end of their junior or senior year. Those who were inducted as juniors worked as seniors to do service for their community and their school. Senior Maranda Willis said, "It was really neat, because we got to help out our community."

Student Council members were elected by their peers, to promote student activities. The council's projects included: homecoming, several school dances, a baked potato bar, two blood drives, two can drives, and new benches in the entrance of the school. Student body president Lindsay Hadley said, "Homecoming is always one of the highlights for the Student Council. We all come together and work hours on end to produce the best of Pioneer traditions."

Because of lack of participation, the Academic Team only attended one competition. At Martinsville High School, the team competed in the areas of math, science, social studies, English, and fine arts.



Student Council--front: Marci Allen, Josh Beals, Adria Lambert, Mitchell DePoy, Kym Schlangen, Lora Rogers, Alyson Summers, Lisa Ellis, Michele Cadwell, Nikki Stewart, Lindsay Hadley; row 2: Kamille Wys, Michele Green, Amber Shillings, Nikole Green, Nikki Helton, Amy Watson, Jennifer Ragan, Jed Adams, Steve West; row 3: Nic Allen, Karissa Wys, Katie Ransome, Kristy Cohee, Suni Venable, Scott Terry, Jackie Poehls, Kim Hicks, Brad Kirk, Kelli Norton; back: Mr. John Robertson, Mandi Corwin, Matt Frechette, Jason Wingate, Erin Miller, Jarod Overton, Josh Alley, Marcus Mathis, Aaron Kitchens, Kevin Willis, Mr. Norb Johnson.

Just following directions, seniors Andy Ray, Micah Cordray, and Josh Alley ambush the UNITY turkey. David Billington and several other UNITY members portrayed the Thanksgiving bird as a way to spread their anti-drug message.



Members of UNITY spread Christmas cheer to needy Morgan County children with a stuffed toy drive. Throughout the year, UNITY helped the community in many ways.

Groups from each of the corporation's elementary schools present their anti-drug posters at a rally at the high school. PUSH members also visited each of the schools to present programs to spread the message to "Just Say No."



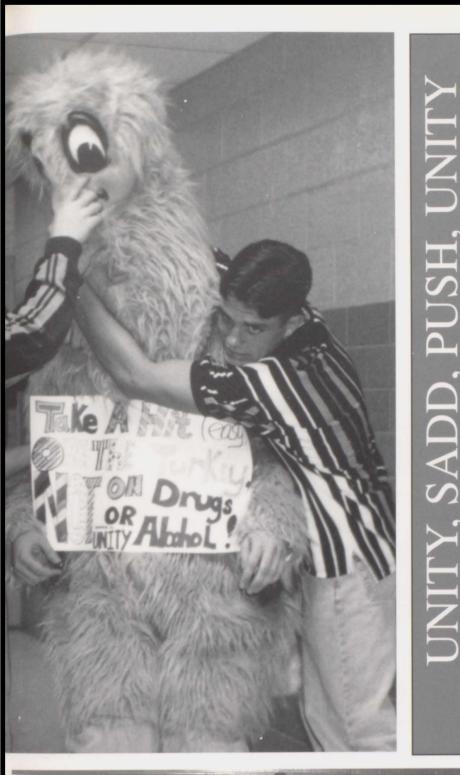




SADD--front: Jennifer Phelps, Erika Wilson, Lorri Copeland, Abby Swallow, Amber Wolma, Allison Dennis, Jennifer Baker, Jennifer Corcoran, Laura Barton; row two: Brandi Kough, Michelle Henning, Shellie Hirchet, Melanie Barlow, Rachel Willoughby, Amanda Powers; back: JamieReed, Jenny Shawhan, Becca Maddox, Megan Lynch.



Unity—front: Kellie Richmond, Meghann Yoke, Lindsay Hadley, Amber Shillings, Jennifer Yarnell; row 2: Mr. Stan Emerson, Stacey Travelsted, Lorri Copeland, Angela Acton, Jed Adams, John Young; back: Crissy Collins, Rachel Burgess, David Billington, Becca Maddox, Miss Kelly Crawford.



### **Volunteer groups** try to make needed Changes

**Stephanie Lewis** 

Though each group had different areas of emphasis, UNITY, SADD, PUSH, and Ecology Club had one thing in common--helping others while informing them.

SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving) was a club that offered students a chance to get involved with a group that would allow them to have fun while trying to make students aware of the risks and dangers involved with driving drunk. Throughout the year, SADD sponsored several dances after various activities to give students a chance to get together and have fun without the use of alcohol.

UNITY (Understanding Needs In Today's Youth) also tried to prevent the use of alcohol in addition to helping the less fortunate through projects including a Christmas toy drive.

PUSH (Prevention Using Student Help) made several trips to the different area schools trying to inform younger kids about the dangers of using drugs and to offer them some creative ways of saying "no."

While UNITY, PUSH, and SADD were trying to preventing the use of drugs, Ecology Club was busy collecting aluminum cans and paper to recycle as they tried to save Mother Earth.

Senior Lorri Copeland, who was in three of the groups, said, "I'm really proud of the progress each of these groups has made."



PUSH-front: Nicole Hammonds, Lindsey Wolfe, Kellie Breedlove, Amy Hughes, Heather Miller, Jamie Reed, Amanda Powers, Stacey Travelsted, Christa Pace; row 2: Marci Allen, Heather Rodenbeck, Sara Harkema, Katrina Grezlik, Emily Cordray, Erika Wilson, Joanna Shake, Jennifer Yarnell, Angela Acton; row 3: Mr. Greg Silver, Renee Reedy, Lindsay Hadley, Jessica Franklin, Jolie Robling, Abby Swallow, Amber Wolma, Rachel Caraboa, Julie Reynolds, Ashley Mason; row 4: Megan Lynch, Jennifer Shawhan, Danielle Bargo, Megan Schneider, Karen Parker, Lori Silcox, Amanda Watson, Kelli Norton, Angie Mason, Lorri Copeland; row 5: Jocelyn Schneider, Chad Montgomery, Maranda Willis, Meghann Yoke, Trent Mong, Jackie Poehls, Lena Wilson, Kristi Roberts; back: Wesley Earnest, Ryan Lambert, Jarod Overton, Matt Frechette, Randy Stafford, Tom Snider, Tara Thacker, Jennifer Ash.

# Organizations work for a better World

### Melissa Rea and Kathy Schweigen

Several groups met throughout the year to bring out the best in the students. Fellowship of Christian Athletes and Won by One brought religion into the school and incorporated it with sports and group discussions. Key Club and Pairing and Caring put the students on the streets doing community service.

FCA held many different sporting competitions for the rest of the school including tournaments for three-on-three basketball and whiffleball.

Won by One held meetings where students or guest speakers would discuss religion. The guest speakers were generally ministers from the area churches.

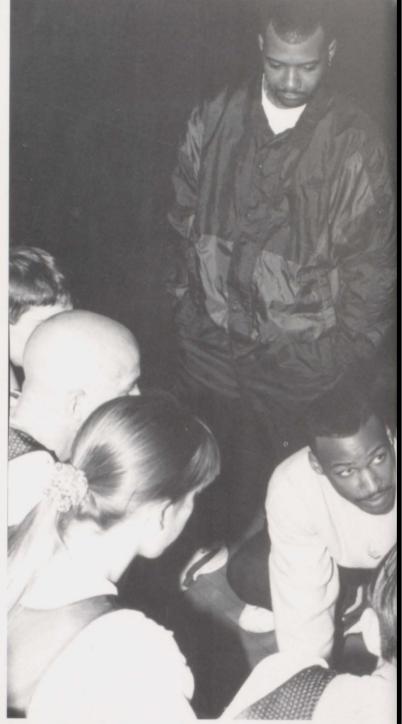
Key Club's activities included weekly meetings, the Pioneer Park Halloween Hike, Random Act of Kindness Day, hosting a school dance, cleaning up area storm damage, and attending the Indiana District Convention. Senior Tom Snider said, "Key Club was a good way for students to be involved with their community and have fun at the same time."

Pairing and Caring paired high school students with grade school students. The idea was to give special attention to those children who could benefit from positive role models.



Pairing and Caring--front: Mr. Stan Emerson, Marci Allen, Priscilla Milner, Andrea Hopkins, Jaime West, Megan Schneider; back: Angela Acton, Anthony Basso, Melissa Rea, Katherine Paschal, Jennifer Ash, Eric Beebe.

Pairing, Won by One





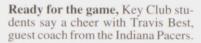
FCA--front: D. Fox, N. Green, E. Bernfield, Mr. S. Hilligoss, J. Poehls, M. Corwin, E. Miller; row 2: E. Newsom, M. Cadwell, K. Wys, A. Lambert, M. Allen, L. Ellis; row 3: R. Burgess, S. Crews, S. Venable, K. Cohee, M. Perry, K. Hicks, K. Parker; back: C. Carden, T. Goen, J. Overton, B. Hughes, B. Fields, D. Crump.



Giving instructions to his team, Pacer Travis Best along with Adrian Caldwell act as coaches for the Key Club vs. Kiwanis game.

**Sophomore Amanda Powers** assists at Handicapable Camp. It was a tradition for MHS students to help at the weekend camp.







Won By One--front: Melissa Many, Brandi Kough, Katie Brummett, Jenny Shawhan, Tamara Cooper, Amy Hughes; row 2: Marci Allen, Kellie Breedlove, Faith Wright, Katherine Paschal, Jeremy Lykins, Georgiana Ferguson, Jessica Franklin: back: Mrs. Aloha Landwerlen, Becca Maddox, Sara Harkema, Reneé Reedy, Laura Barton, Mr. Stan Emerson.

Key Club--front: Stacy Sheffler, Melissa Rea, Julie Lundy, Bret Thomas, Corrie Balbinot, Melissa Many, Kym Schlangen, Anna Edwards, Jenny Bosaw, Amber Mertens; row 2: Lisa Ellis, Jed Adams, Heather Miller, Amanda Watson, Angie Taft, Christal Ison, Katherine Paschal, Megan Schneider, Sarah Brown, Jocelyn Schneider; row 3: Ben Ruoff, Trent Mong, Wesley Earnest, Thomas Moffat, Jason Hause, Josh Ruoff, Angie Coleman, Beth Watson, Jenifer Tyree, John Rea; row 4: Jesse Burgess, John Chappo, Jared Overton, Eric Beebe, Brian McInerny, Ryan Goldsberry, Steve Hoffman, Richard Walenga; back: Tom Snider, Meghann Yoke, Anthony Basso, David Billington, David Whaley, David Moser, Joe Eversole.



# Art, Drama and Speech Clubs provide Creativity

**Stephanie Lewis** 

Art, Drama and Speech Clubs all provided students with different areas in which various talents could be used. Throughout the year these clubs sponsored variuos activities from pumpkin carving contests to the spring play. Although some activities were for members alone, a few benefitted the entire school.

Several of the art club members were busy at the end of the year with the Tri-Kappa Art Show, with some like sophomoreDarci Bodell winning multiple awards.

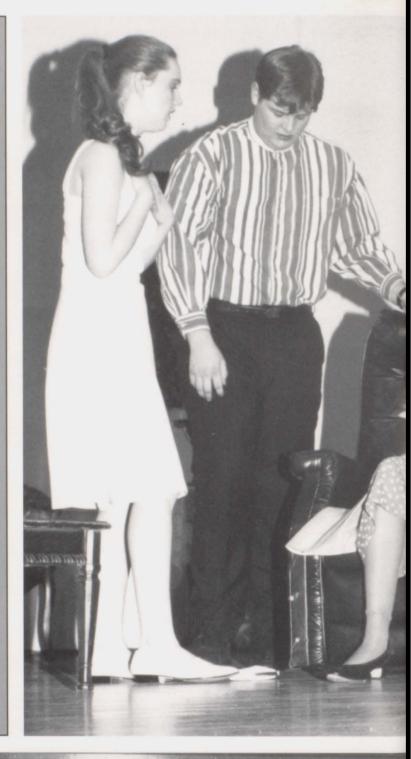
Senior Sara Allison said, "I really liked being in Art Club because it gave me a chance to express my creative side any way I chose through art."

Drama Club became very active during the winter season preparing for the spring production of "Barefoot in the Park." The play starred senior Allison Turner and sophomore Kyle Huerkamp in the lead roles.

Although the speech team was small in number, upperclassmen continued to have success and bring some new members into the group. New member Alisa Tomlinson said, "I learned a lot from it, and it helped me to become able to express myself more clearly. It was an expeience that I will never forget."

Drama Club—front: Mrs. Melanie Kassen, Stephanie Phillips, Marni Herrin, Melissa Bailey, Hannah Thomas, Candy Craig, Alicia Phelps, Corrie Bucker; row 2: Krissi Campbell, Brandi Kough, Stephanie Cole, Stephenie McCormick, Alyson Turner, Amanda Watson, Jennifer Phelps; row 3: Anna Turner, Karen Moore, William Whitman, Angela Jaynes, Melissa Epley, Chris Stephens; row 4: Mary Wright, Michelle Henning, Terri Bilby, Chris Smith, Katie Bilby, Sarah Cummings, Blake Lugenbeal.

# Drama, Speech,







After many flights of stairs, Karen Moore, playing the mother in *Barefoot In The Park's*, wonders if maybe the newlyweds could have selected a more accessible apartment. Husband Kyle Huerkamp agrees, but his new wife, Alyson Turner, thinks it is "perfect."



Creativity is the key as freshmen Jennifer Bosaw and Michele Green have fun despite the pressure of pumpkin carving contest competition.

A continuing tradition for Art Club emerges at Homecoming thanks to a group effort to back the Pioneers. Art Club members accompanied the sign around the parade route.





Speech Team—row 1: Heather Miller, Hannah Thomas, Brandy Stanley, Chris Stephens, Kathy Schweigen, Alisa Tomlinson, Chris Smith; row 2: David Billington, Mary Wright, Melissa Epley, Laura Barton, Terri Bilby, David Whaley.



Art Club—front 1: Jennifer Beyersdorfer, Kelly Ward, Kelly McCor-mick, Sarah Allison, Jenny Bosaw, Candy Craig, Rachel Willoughby; row 2: Mr. Denny Amrhein, Courtney Haxton, Christy Birtcil, Darci Bodell, Ginger Moore, Jessica McGinnis, Amy Perry; row 3: Jacinda Swindle, Marni Herrin, Nick Ragan, Camille Haas, Chad Gillenwater, Chris Powell, Jason Taylor.

Art, Speech 151

# Communication staffs work hard to Inform Stephanie Lewis

Throughout the year students relied on the *Pulse* and AM MHS to keep them informed. Senior Liz Bach added, "Since I am a senior the *Pulse* kind of makes my last year even more memorable because it gives me something to look back on in the years to come."

AM MHS, the morning news broadcast, kept students aware of their daily activities and did a little entertaining along the way. Each morning, at the beginning of third period, the cast of AM MHS put together a five- to seven-minute broadcast. One of the things students seemed to enjoy was the way the members of the broadcast team each had their own style of delivering the news.

The *Pulse* staff broke a record by publishing 20 issues during the school year, including one on the first day of school and a special end-of-the-year edition. And both the *Pulse* and *Wagon Trails* were finalists in the Indiana High School Press Association state competition for best publications.

First time yearbook staff member Sean O'Riley said, "I wanted to be on staff because I love to write, and I wanted to make the students' memories the best that I could through my stories." Senior FaithWright admitted, "I usually do not read the copy until weeks after we get our yearbooks. When I do, though, the stories usually keep my interest."





**Pulse Staff**--front: Bryan Hughes, Steve Newman, Lindsay Hadley (editor), Susan Farmer, Karen Parker, Lori Silcox, Amber Shillings; row 2: Micah Cordray (production editor), Josh Morgan, Cristina Tridle, Amanda Clark; rwo 3: Anthony Basso, Katherine Paschal, Clint Reedy, Angie Mason; back: Jarod Overton(sports editor), Erin Miller.

152 Pulse, Wagon Trails, AM MHS



Wagon Trails--front: Crystal Parker (album editor), Jennifer Ash (co-editor); row 2: Melissa Rea, Andy Ray, Maranda Willis, Dana Crump, Alisa Tomlinson, Kathy Schweigen, Amanda Watson, Meghann Yoke; row 3: Megan Schneider (co-editor), David Moser, Eric Beebe, Stephanie Lewis, Lom Copeland, Sean O'Riley; back: Marcus Mathis, Josh Alley, Brian McInerny, Tom Snider.



A Wagon Trails staff member will do almost anything to promote yearbook sales. With senior Stephanie Lewis's straight lines, senior Tom Snider goes that extra mile for a review commercial.



Some interviews are more challenging than others as seniors Greg Marine and Ryan Lambert discover. They interviewed sportcaster Mark Patrick when he visited for the Channel 8 "Team of the Week."



A new coach is a news story, so *Pulse* sports editor Jarod Overton captures Mr. Mark Bless in action. Pulse members spent many extra hours covering extracurricular and athletic events.

It takes a lot of busy hands to complete offset production of the *Pulse*. Staff members Clint Reedy, Karen Parker, Lindsay Hadley, and Katherine Paschal opaque and strip an early issue.





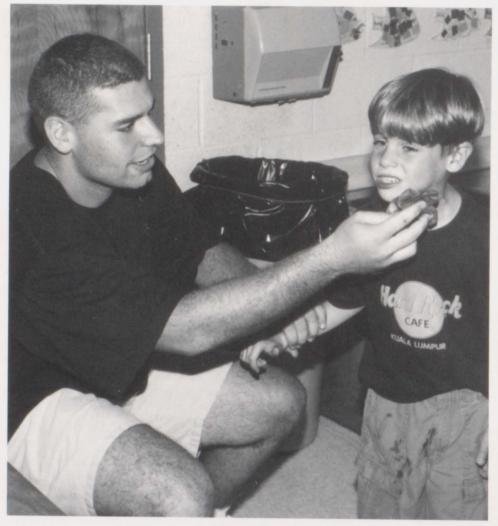


AM MHS Broadcast Team: front: Ryan Lambert, Marci Allen, Kamille Wys, Mitch DePoy,Nic Allen, Karen Beller, Greg Marine; row two: Jessica Franklin, Jason Edwards, Kelli Norton, Matt Frechette, Adam Burleson, Lilia Vladimirovna Fomitcheva, Joni Thrasher, Erin Newsom.



AM MHS crews led by Adam Burleson, Jason Edwards, Micah Cordray, Matt Kurtz, Greg Marine(director), and Ryan Lambert videotaped musical productions, plays, convocations, and athletic events throughout the school year.(Not pictured: Joe Eversole, David Whaley)

Trying to help wash-up after snack time, senior Jesse DeMartino wipes down one of the little boys he worked with in a Northwood kindergarten class. Receiving passes to distribute to classrooms, sophomores Emily Miles and Katie Beasley prepare to venture the halls on another errand. The office used students as helpers every period of the day.





Prom Steering--front: Marci Allen, Kellie Richmond, Alisa Tomlinson, Kamille Wys, Mitch DePoy, Heather Bodell, Jennifer McDaniel, Amanda Calton; row 2: Scott Johnson, Kathy Schweigen, Kari Thompson, Abby Collier, Amber Shillings, Kori Dotson, Michele Cadwell, Angela Acton, Nic Allen; row 3: Emily Cordray, Nathan Byers, Karen Parker, Katie Underhill, Amanda Watson, Nichole Williams, Amber Shirley, Erin Newsom, Shane Ponchot; row 4: Heidi Henry, Kaci Ransom, Emily Bernfield, Toni Smith, Alicia Whitley, Amy Kauffman, Susan Farmer, Steve Newman; back: Ann Doty, Jason Wingate, Matt Rhodes, Terry Smith, Kim Hicks, Aaron Kitchens, Randy Stafford, Eric Beebe, David Moser.





# dets, Office Aides, Prom Steerin

# Students explore additional kinds of Service

Melissa Rea and Kathy Schweigen

Providing a variety of services and learning some skills in the process, members of cadet teaching, office aides, and prom steering reached beyond their regular classes and activities to assist others and try something new.

Cadet teachers ventured to Northwood Elementary where they helped students and teachers as they explored teaching as a career. Some activities they assisted were reading aloud, coloring, and teaching ABC's. Senior Priscilla Milner said, "I plan to go into teaching, and it gave me experience working with kids."

Other services provided by students included a variety of tasks performed by office aides. Their duties included running errands, distributing informative papers, and sorting papers. Junior Amber Shirley said, "It's fun hanging with Mrs. Lang [guidance secretary] seventh period."

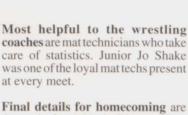
Prom steering committee helped organize the prom. Juniors who were selected to the group decided on the theme and design of the prom. They also decorated the ballroom and made it glamorous for the evening's events. Junior Amanda Calton said, "Being on the prom steering committee was a lot of fun. It gave everyone a chance to work together and learn more about each other."



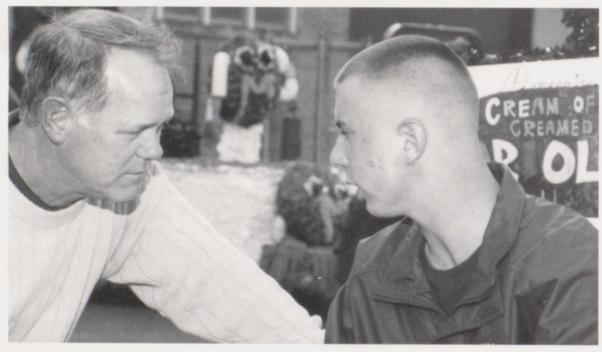
Cadet Teachers--front: Kelli Norton, Faith Wright, Nikki Green, Debbie Fox; middle: Josh Morgan, Angie Mason, Stacy Sheffler, Doug Leeper; back: Tara Thacker, Jarod Overton, Josh Alley, Jesse DeMartino, Ttrent Mong.

Thanks to trainer Fred LaPlante, cheerleader Nikki Green receives quick help. Although LaPlante had only been a full-time staff member two years, he was well-known and appreciated by all.





the topic for Athletic Director Don Pope and senior Jonathan Young. Although he was first known as a baseball manager, by senior year Jonathan was a valuable asset to the entire Athletic Deaprtment.







Mat Technicians--front: Heather Bodell, Brandy Gibson, Jenni Thrasher, Amanda Conner, Elayne Smith, Heather Rodenbeck; back: Sponsor Ms. Anne Brewer, Lynsie Wright, Amy Kaufman, Sabrena Kutchmback, Brandi White, Ronli Ratliff. (Not pictured, Christina Worland.)



Sometimes the activity involves everyone. Coaches Mike Mossbrucker, Jeff Baer, and mat technicians Lynsie Wright and Amy Kaufman couldn't be distracted from sectional action at Martinsivlle. As the final matches were determined a team victory was in reach.

### 156 Aides, Athletic Boosters



# letic Aides, Mat Technicians

## Athletic staff provides variety of

# Support

**Stephanie Lewis** 

It took a number of people to help Athletic Director Don Pope and Assisatant Greg Silver run an Athletic Department that continued to expand and offer a variety of services. The group included both students and adults who offered support from the planning of locker decorations and hallway signs to filling Coke machines, keeping statistics, and videotaping.

Some had specific assignments as aides or belonged to formal groups such as Athletic Boosters or Mat Technicians.

Senior Jonathan Young made such a contribution to the department's overall operation that he was recognized in a special feature in the *Indianapolis Star* and received a special award at the spring sports banquet. The athletic directors said that officials and coaches from other schools who worked through Jonathan often called the high school and assumed that he had his own office and voice mail.

Junior mat technician Jo Shake said, "I like to watch wrestling and being a mat tech also let me get involved with the sport. I felt very useful."

The mat techs went to every match and not only kept score, but also provided moral support for the team. Senior Melissa Caupp said, "I liked going to the matches this year, and it was evident as to how much work was put in by the mat techs.



Office, Athletic Aides--front: Ryan Goldsberry, Steve Ferguson, Evan Goldsberry, Trent Mong, Andrea Hopkins, Kori Dotson; row two: Heather Phillips, Kelli Richmond, Brandi Kough, Leslie Mitchell, Brandy Gibson, Susan Lewis, Michelle Cadwell; row three: Courtney Fishero, Joanna Shake, Daisy Thompson, Jennifer Spears, Ericka Miles, Ericka Stidham, Amanda. Colvin, Emily Cordray, Natalie Holtzclaw, Faith Wright, Jaime West, Angela Acton, Stacy Schefler, Lisa Ellis, Amy Frazier, Nick Brown, Heather Carter; back: Michelle Ledbetter, Beth Horn, Kaci Ransome, Amber Perry, Dayton Hornaday, John Barton, Bryant Ponchot, Kevin Sheridan.

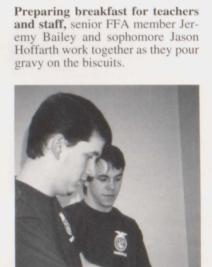
**Studying the computer screen,** junior Tina Sharp works on a business project for BPA.

**Greeting customers** at Long John Silvers, senior Angie Burner puts in some work time after school hours.









While testing soil in the district

contest, senior Jesse Harris works hard at getting a soil sample. The MHS group placed high in each of the contests.





# Individuals work for leadership for a

# Lifetime

Melissa Rea and Kathy Schweigen

Members of Business Professionals of America, Interdisciplinary Cooperative Education, and Future Farmers of America joined in search of skills and experience for "Leadership for a Lifetime."

BPA and ICE specialized in giving students the opportunity to personally experience the business world. In addition, ICE gave students a chance to attend school and keep a job at the same time. BPA also taught students better business practices. Junior Tina Sharp said, "BPA has helped me get a better understanding of the professional world and a look at how I am going to have to behave in a few years."

FFA members were recognized for many outstanding achievements. The group's activities included leadership seminars, a safety fair, a fruit fundraiser with Finesse, the annual apple seed-spitting contest, and soil judging contests. "The most intense event FFA participates in is the National FFA Convention in Missouri. There it is encouraging to see about 35,000 FFA members in their corduroy jackets," said junior members Ryan Kirk.

All three groups were kept busy all year with work, school, and challenging ways to prepare them for future hopes and dreams.



Interdisciplinary Cooperative Education—front: Lianne Hornaday, Cathy Healy, Jeremy Smith, Cathy Pettigrew, Wendy Miley, Amber Barker; middle: David Ringer, Joseph Endsley, Heather Lancaster, Shane Williams, Angie Burner, David Carter; back: Rodney Hail, Jeremy Barnes, Tom Wright, Terry Jackson, Ryan Culver.



**Business Professionals of America**--Tina Sharp, Chris Stephens, Sarah Seaver, Carrie Simpson.



# Working Toward the Future

### Alisa Tomlinson

High school was a time of growing up, wising up, and paying up. For the first time, many students were faced with costs and bills that parents could no longer cover. So where was the money going to come from? The answer was easy. The famous, and sometimes dreaded, part-time job was the obvious solution.

Students found many interesting ways to make the "big bucks." Little House Child Care Center employed many high school students. Senior Angie Mason, one of its numerous MHS employees, said, "I want to be a pediatrician so working with kids will help me better understand them and also help me prepare for the future."

Another "not-so-ordinary" job was one chosen by junior Katherine Paschal. As a karate instructor, Katherine taught four and five year old 'Mighty Mites' a skill that would stay with them for a lifetime. She said, "I love my job. It's great to be paid to do something I'd probably do for free."

Senior Cathy Healy prepared for a future in nursing by working at Miller's Merry Manor, the local nursing home. Cathy said, "Working at the nursing home is really great. The hardest part is getting attached to the patients and then having them pass away."

Senior Tara Thacker and junior Brandy Bradley both kept in touch with the little kid inside by working at The Discovery Zone.

Working has always been a part of growing up and taking responsibility. When faced with the fact that one had to get a job, many cringed at the thought of boring and monotonous work. However, MHS has always been a school full of creative people, and many of these students somehow found those exciting jobs.

Laughing with a Miller's Merry Manor resident, senior Cathy Healy enjoys her job helping others. Cathy prepared for a future in nursing by working at the local nursing home.







Along with one of the Mighty Mites, junior Katherine Paschal demonstrates a defensive stance. Students who chose to work where they could do what they really liked were the ones who did not dread going to work.

As she distributes stickers to "her students," senior Angie Mason works and gets teaching experience. Child Care centers were great employers for those students who loved to be around kids and considered careers involving children.





**Jumping in on the action,** senior Priscilla Milner participates in the Little House Child Care field day. Many students found that jobs did not have to be boring.



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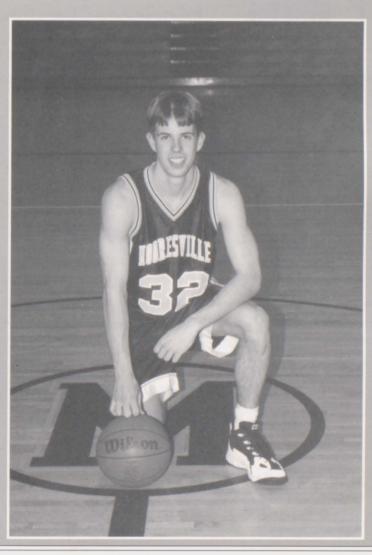








Shawn,
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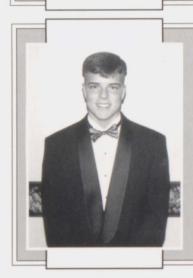


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Love, Mom



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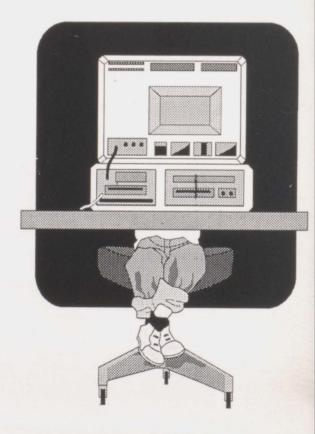
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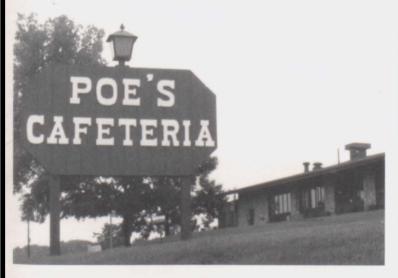
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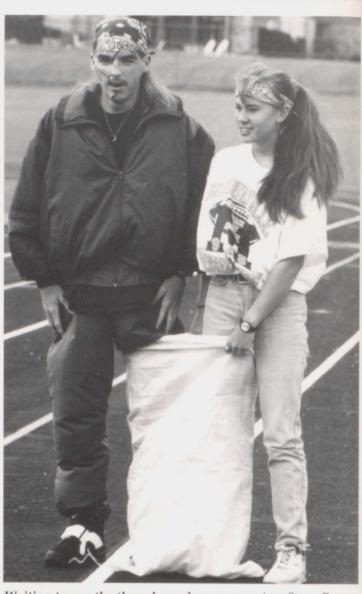
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# Always and FOREVER



"Our senior year was a time when we all came together.
The bonds we created were closer than ever."
-senior, Lindsay Hadley



"Graduation was sad for me because it was hard to believe that my senior year was over." -senior, Jolie Robling



"I enjoyed working in the studio and videotaping all year because of the friends I worked with." -senior, Greg Marine

#### Jennifer Ash and Megan Schneider

As the final days at MHS approached, many emotions were expressed. From sadness and tears to glee and smiles an overall spirit shown through. For the Class of '96, the days were tedious and sad, yet seniors knew it was a time for beginnings. Memories of the last high school homecoming and years of gossip at lunch tables resurfaced as the seniors reminisced and said goodbye.

Commencement exercises were anticipated by all. When the tassels were turned, an era in the seniors' lives was over. Many seniors were uncertain about their futures outside of the world that they knew and loved for years. While college or the work force awaited many, all felt a spirit holding them at MHS.

The seniors would be missed by underclassmen and faculty alike. While just classmates to some, they were considered friends and mentors by others.

On the final day of school, the traditional senior cookout was held in the courtyard. As underclassmen looked up from their finals and out the windows to catch a last glance of the Senior Class, the seniors looked to each other. There was a spirit that linked them together as a class. From the first sense of doubt in kindergarten, the final tear shed at graduation, and the unknown years still to be lived, unity and a common bond joined the seniors—Yesterday, Today, and Forever, ... Always Pioneers.





Being in the company of friends helps seniors Alexandra Herter, Maranda Willis, and Crystal Parker enjoy the senior cookout. The cookout marked the seniors' final time together.



Proudly accepting the honor, senior Jackie Poehls receives the U.S. Army Scholar/Athletic Award. This prestigious award was also presented to senior Shawn Stewart.

Receiving recognition are the "Top Ten" seniors. Awards Day was a special time for upperclassmen to celebrate.

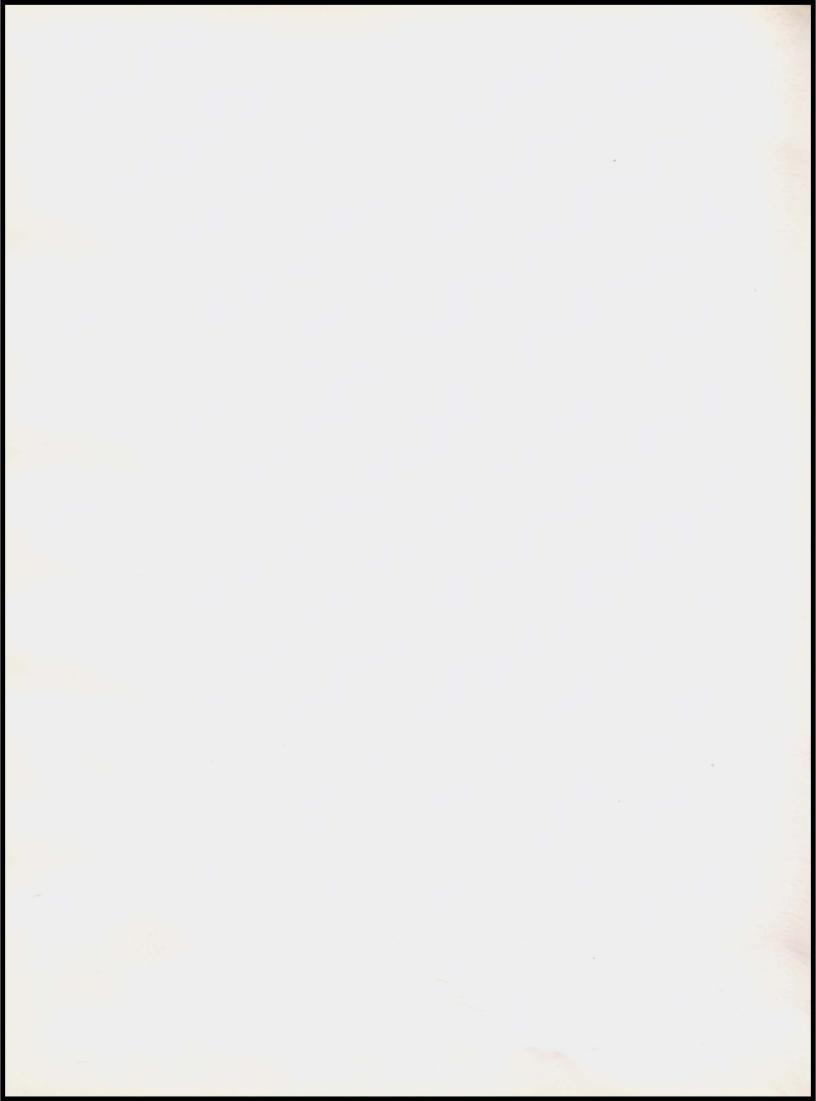




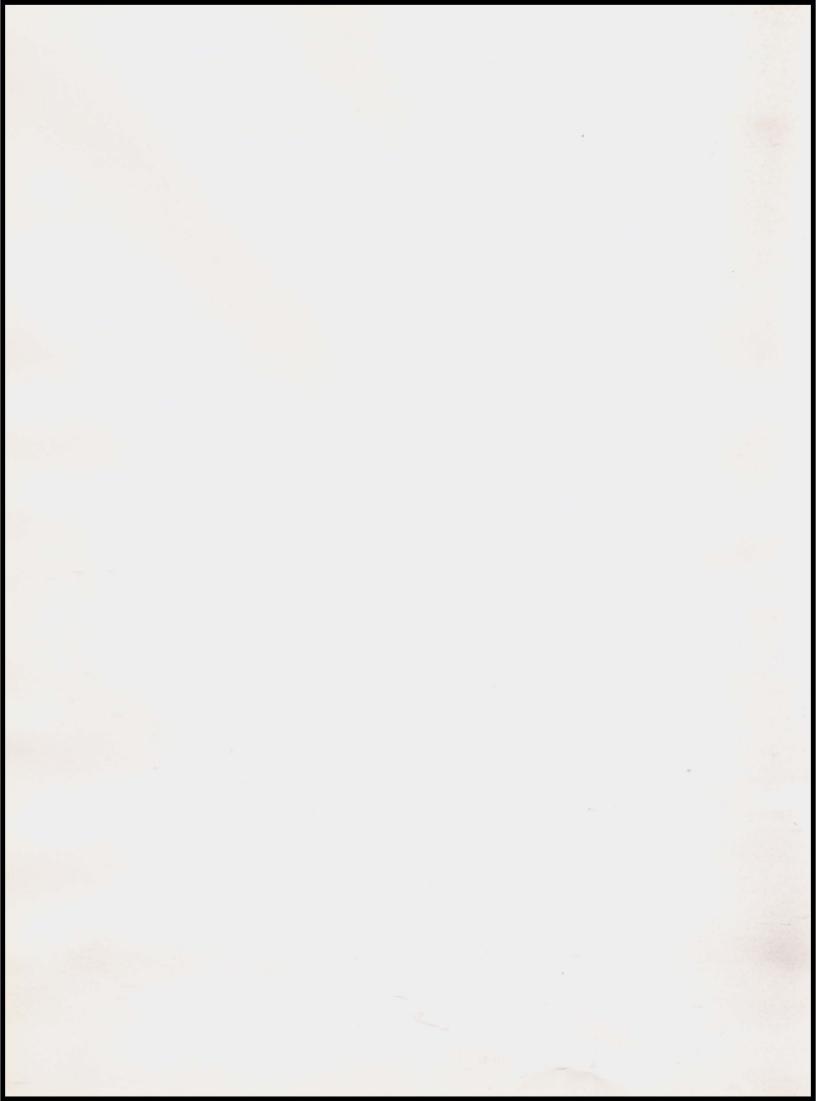
While wearing his cap and gown, senior Jarod Overton shakes the hand of a future basketball hopeful. As always, the younger students looked up to the seniors.



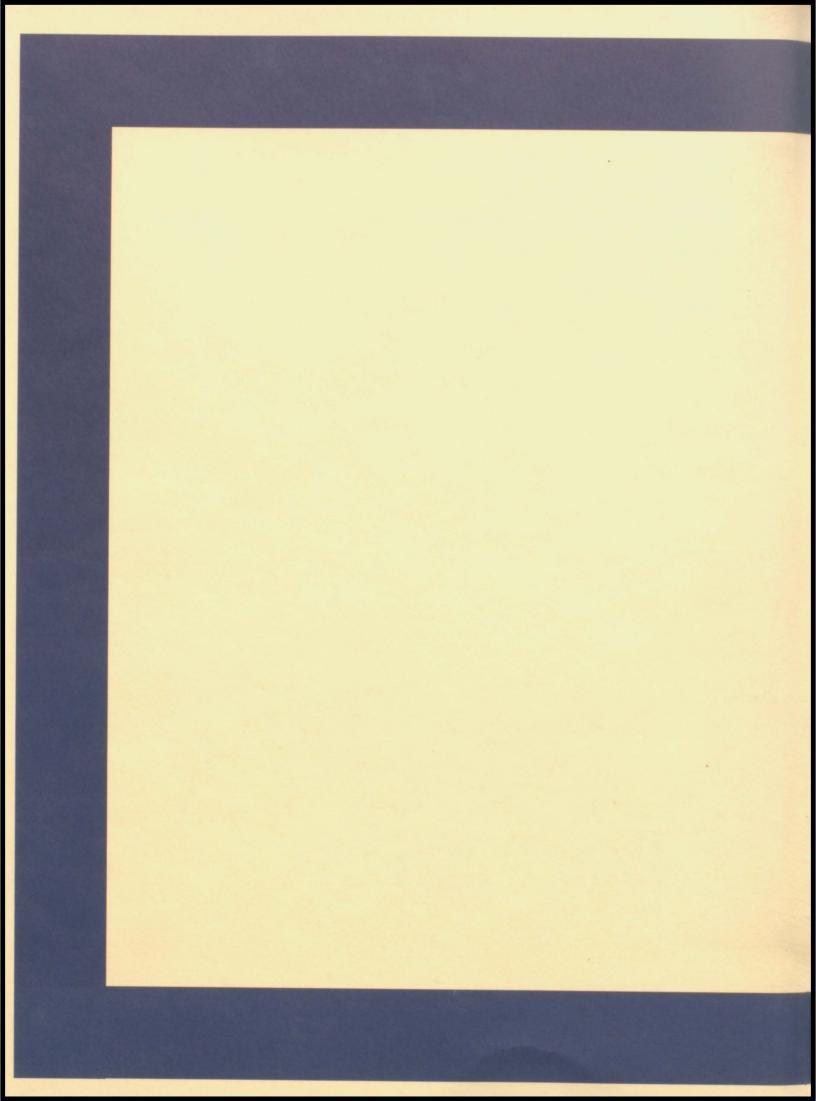












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Yearbook Man," Eric Beebe entertains the crowd at Wagon Trails



As frogs, Josh Alley and Andy Ray, kept the audience laughing

### Yesterday, Joday and Forever . . . Always Pioneers

The 1996 Wagon Trails theme, "Yesterday, Today and Forever... Always Pioneers, "displays the spirit and pride Sean O'Riley makes sure that of the Pioneers. The Wagon Trails staff has tried to Brian McInerny doesn't get preserve the memories for the MHS students.

This year's staff was led by Mrs. Diana Hadley, adviser, and Mr. Richard Maurer, Jostens consultant. Trying something new, the members worked separately or in groups on individual sections.

The staff used Macintosh computers and Yeartech software. A new addition included the student life section's color headlines. As a change from years before, the Prom, Post Prom, Spring Spectacular and Commencement spreads were also in color. While the staff was responsible for action photography, Studio One supplied the underclass and senior portraits



Staff members prepare for the first night of Wagon Trails.

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