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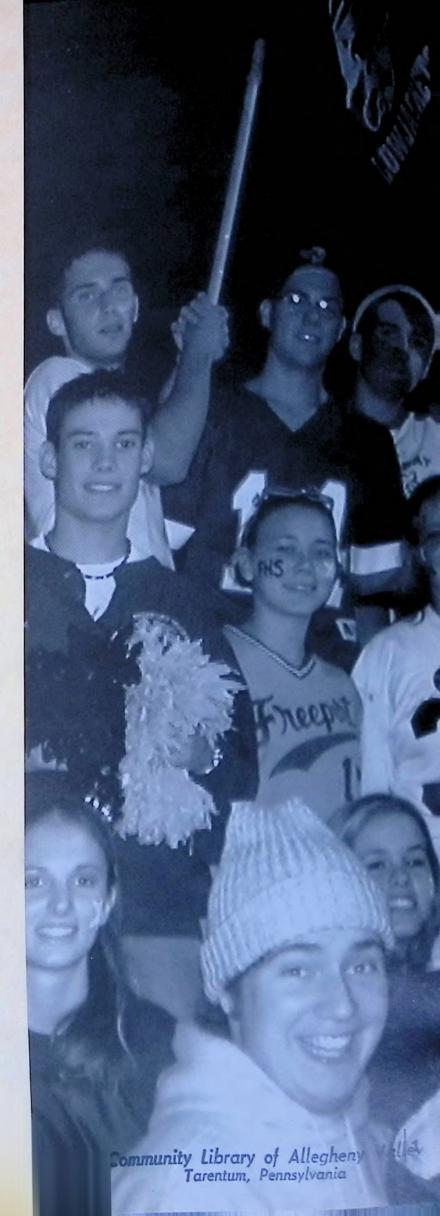


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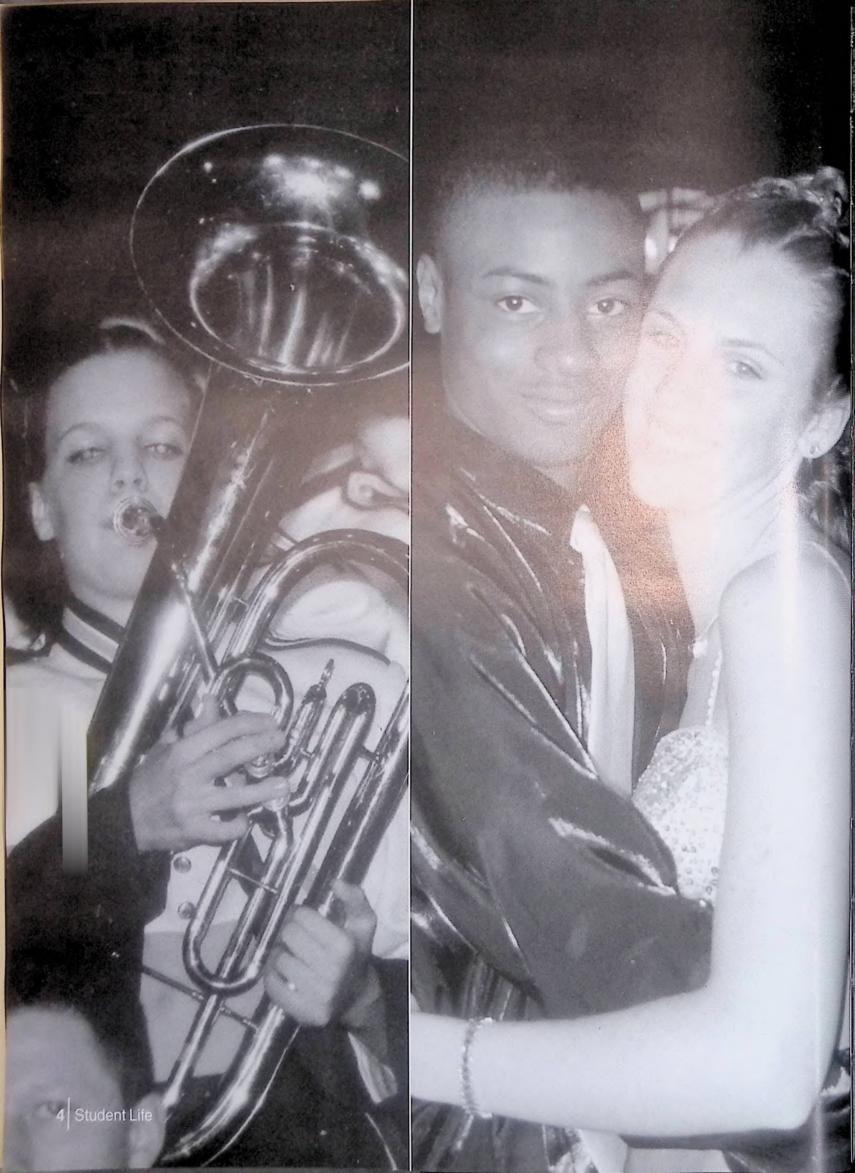
What is a word? That's a pretty simple guestion with a not so simple answer. A word is something that is said that symbolizes someone's thoughts or feelings. Words can be used as a tool, an educator, a gossiper, and sometimes a weapon. Once said, words can no longer be altered and can never be taken back. The history of America is passed on from generation to generation by spoken and written words, and the events of September 11, 2001, will be told and retold through one of the most powerful and beautiful forms of expression -- through words. Before September 11, the word freedom was often used, and often taken for granted. From day one of our existence, each and every one of us is given "certain unalienable rights" that give us the freedom to worship whatever God we choose, to assemble and freely discuss issues that concern us, and many other rights that ensure that we are free people. After September 11, the word freedom took on a new meaning. When we were little, our parents gave us protection from the boogie man, and that was freedom. Now, our government is giving us protection from terrorism, and that is freedom.

Words, depending on the situation, take on many meanings and symbols that might not have always been clear. When asked what words have changed meanings since September 11, sophomore Shawn Bialkowski said "safety": "They never knew when they got on the planes that they would hit two of our tallest buildings. You never know what will happen." Often times we forget that safety, or the lack of it, even exists; but now we understand that we are capable of being vulnerable, and know that we are working to make sure that our freedom and safety never are questioned again.

Since September 11, the nation has come together to show its support against terrorism. "Unity," said senior Jennifer Kopnicky, "because before September 11, when we thought of being together as a nation we were just a nation, but after, we were brought together for a soul cause."

Emily Dickinson once said, "A word is dead when said, some say. I say it just begins to live that day." The words of September 11 will live on for years to come. Through words, the history of people who lost their lives fighting for others and fighting hatred will be remembered by those who will be forever moved by the beautiful and inspirational thoughts of "a day that will (also) live in infamy."

-Laura Corry



2002 Student life

ver get that funny feeling in your stomach? Most people experience it at least once in their lifetime. including homecoming candidates.

"At the first assembly, I was really nervous, but by the time the second one came around, I was alright," states Alexis Reed, senior.

The day passed by without any horrible circumstances, and the tension mounted as the last bell of the day rang, "It was overwhelming, but one of the best experiences I've ever had," comments senior Jenna Malak.

Keeping in Freeport tradition, the marching band conducted their annual Homecoming parade. "It was a nice parade for the smaller and younger kids of the community to get involved in, with the cheerleading program and all," comments Emily Paskorz, an 8th grade student.

Then finally the moment had arrived. As the colorguard saluted each candidate, the anticipation grew. "I was nervous, excited, and anxious all at the same time," states Amanda Ganster, senior.

But soon enough the winner was announced. "It feels pretty good to become the Freeport Homecoming Queen," said Mindy Wells, senior. "I was extremely susprised when they announced me as the winner. I have some advice to future candidates: "Just be yourself, don't listen to what anyone else thinks."

happiness fell after Mindy Wells, senior, escourted by senior Mike Acre, got crowned the 2001 Homecoming Queen. "I began to cry, but then I got it together," said Wells. "I was afraid that I was going to fall, because I did in the fashion show last year."

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"Just be yourself, don't listen to what anyone else thinks."

> Mindy Wells, senior

> > by matt mainhart

Capturing the moment,

Alexis Reed, senior, reflects on the possibility of wearing the crown. "My advice to future candidates would be to be nice and kind to everyone...never get full of yourself either," states Reed.







With quivering hands, seniors Lauren Query and Jason Leskovic make their way down the runway. Query comments, "I felt honored to be nominated but I wasn't really sure if I wanted to be on the court."

Like a princess, Amanda Ganster, senior, could get used to the extreme amount of photographers around her." Ganster comments on her escort Josh Stover, senior, "Josh and I have been best friends since eighth grade, and I wouldn't have wanted anyone else to escort me."







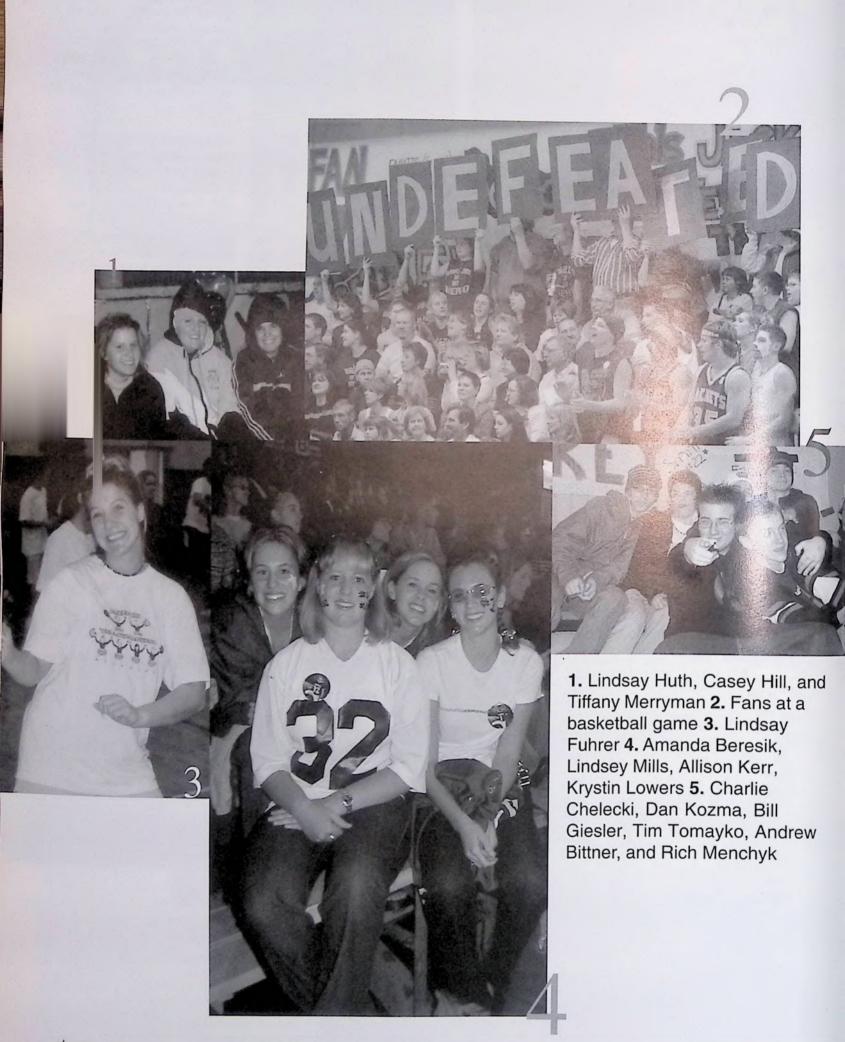
Sitting high, seniors Jenna
Malak and Ryan Saylor,
watch the crowd below bustle
with excitement. "When I found
out I was nominated to run, I

was shocked! I couldn't

believe that my classmates chose me! It was really an honor," expresses Malak.

Arm in arm, Sara Synder and Adam Shilling, both seniors, engage in a fun-filled evening. "I chose Adam as my escort because I knew he would be fun to go with and he's cute too," commented Synder.

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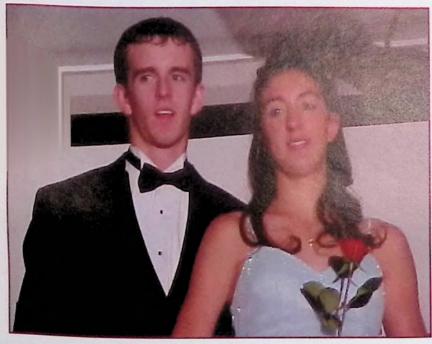


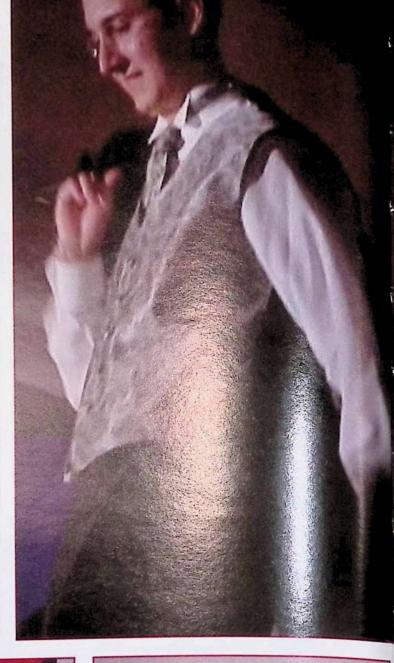


With a bright smile across her face, Jackie Schaefers, junior, enjoys her moment in the spotlight. "It was extraordinary and I'll never forget it" she exclaimed.

With high expectations, Erica Warriner and Josh Stover, both seniors, await the reaction of the crowd to their elegant attire.









Addressing the audience, Jeremiah Huth, senior, introduces the models during the show.

All suited up, Nick DeCroo, freshman, manages to keep it cool in spite of the pressure put upon him.



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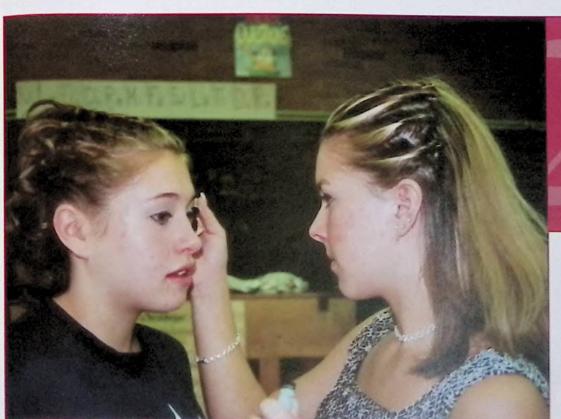
Emily Greenhill, junior

ave you ever worked so hard on a project only to have something go terribly wrong? Autumn Wyant, chairperson of the Children's Hospital Committee, experienced such an event in planning this year's fall fashion show. Wyant says, "Halfway through the planning process, we learned we couldn't use the stage and had to relocate everything to the cafeteria." This wasn't the only problem encountered. She also had to deal with hesitant stores in their search for outfits.

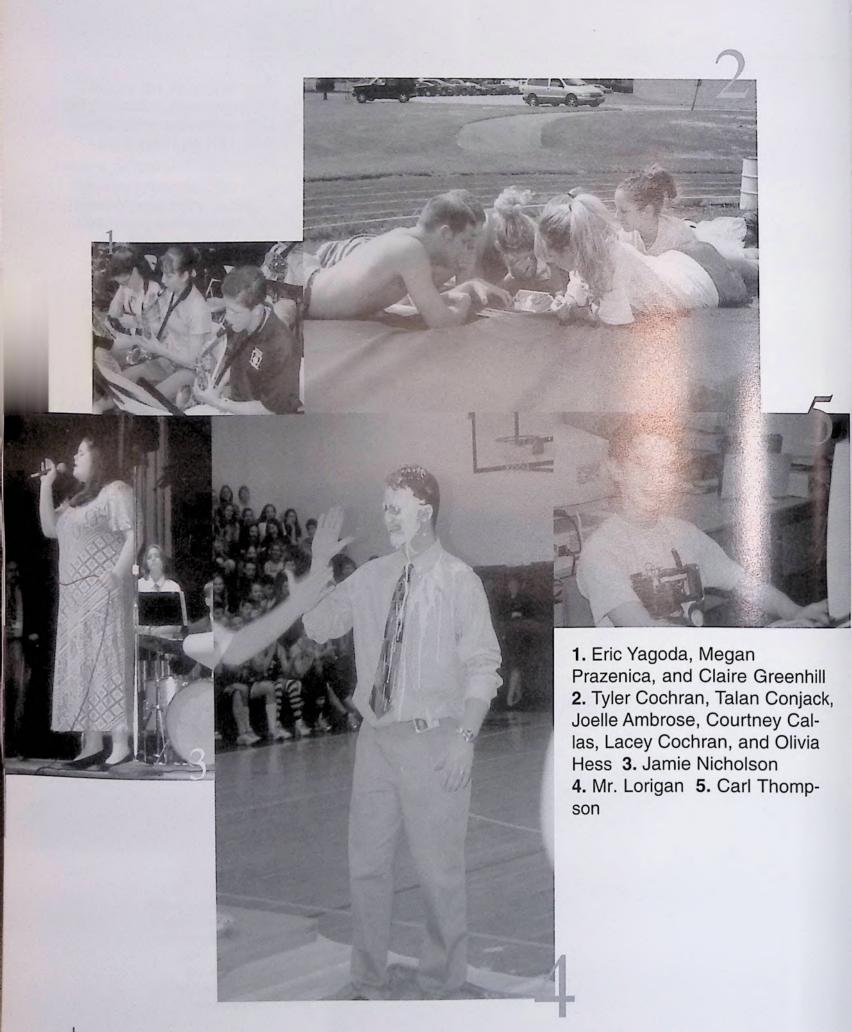
Other than these problems, everything came together smoothly. Lindsey Mills, junior, comments, "I thought it was very well put together and I especially liked Steven Cooper's outfit." In deciding what the theme for this year's show should be, Wyant relied on her trip to France last summer. Autumn and her assistants concluded that the theme of Champs-Elysée was perfect. Junior Emily Greenhill expressed her feelings on the theme, "Autumn's idea of the Champs-Elysée was creative and appealing."

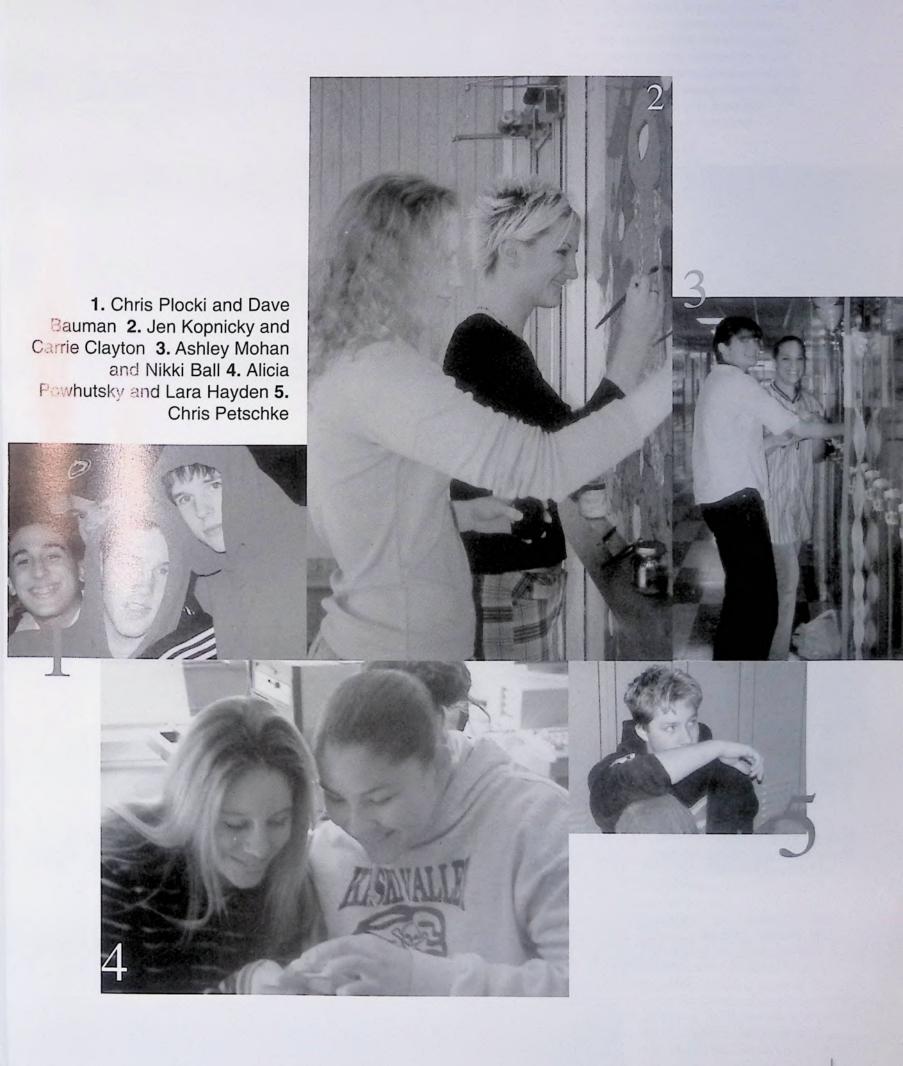
All in all, the day was a successful venture. From dinner, to door prizes, to the actual show everything went efficiently. Autumn remarks, "It was a lot of work and a lot of time went into it, but in the end it was all worth it because everything came together well. It was rewarding to see so many people enjoy themselves while raising money to help the unfortunate at Children's Hospital."

has stuff, Can Fuhrer, senior, swiftly makes his way down the runway.



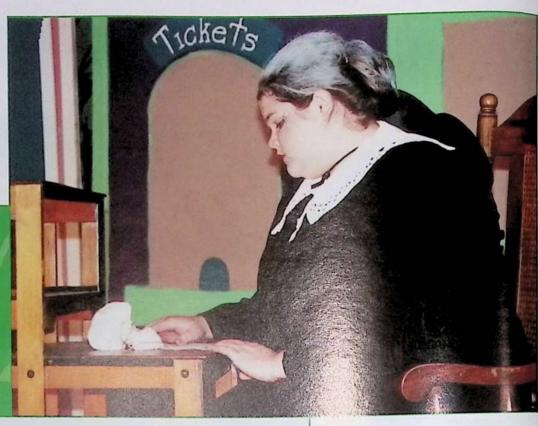
Applying final touches, Courtney Cummings and Amanda Beresik, both juniors, prepare for the performace they had so eagerly worked for. Beresik says, "I was extremely nervous, yet excited because my friends were in the audience."





Diverged in thought, the Baroness, portrayed by Jamie Nicholson, senior, awaits the arrival of her new gunslinger, the Masked Desperado. "My most memorable moment was when Marcie was supposed to slap Eric and instead he ducked and she hit Nick in the back of the head and nearly knocked him over," comments Nicholson.

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by lanna horn

"Twin Desperados" would agree. Two months full of memorizing lines, rehearsing parts, and putting together costumes weren't exactly easy. Stage crew also spent many hours turning the cafeteria into the Wild West. Lanna Horn, student director of the dinner theater, comments, "A lot of great talent pulled the play together. Practice after practice, we all needed some motivation to get it together. And it turned out great in the end."

o one ever said acting was easy. The cast of

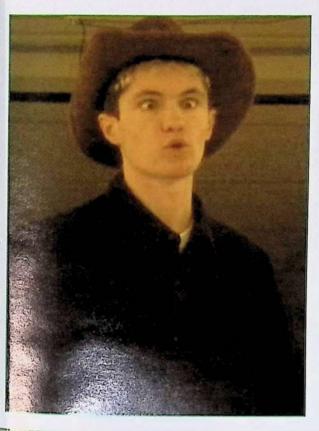
As the evening of the first performance grew nearer, tension mounted in the entire cast. Ray Bowman, a sophomore who portrayed the mayor of Armadillo, said, "It wasn't easy to get into character when you were thinking about all the mistakes that could be made."

Everything seemed to go smoothly to the audience, but backstage some problems arose. Jason Hawk, junior, who played the Masked Avenger, talks about an incident that occurred Friday night. "I stubbed my thumb during the final fight scene and while I was backstage waiting to take my bow I was in some major pain. Meanwhile it seemed to take forever for everyone else to get their bows in and by the time I got to put ice on my hand, my thumb was huge."

"A lot of great talent pulled the play together."

> Lanna Horn, senior

With evil intentions, the Masked Desperado, played by junior Eric Janoski, and his partner Pardner, played by freshman Nick Deel, head off over the hills toward Armadillo. "It was a very positive leaming experience and it opened my eyes to the bonds that teenage high school students can create in a theatrical environment," states Janoski.

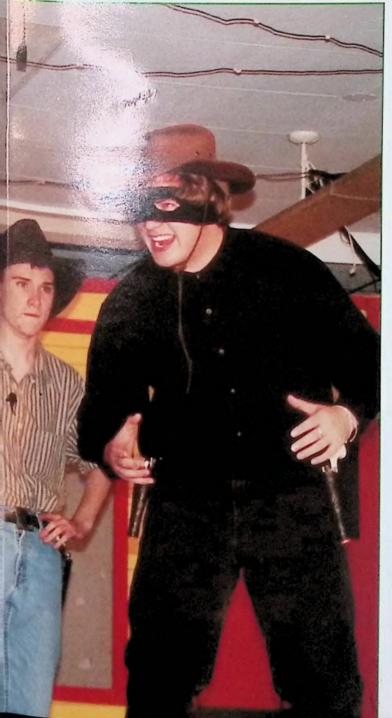


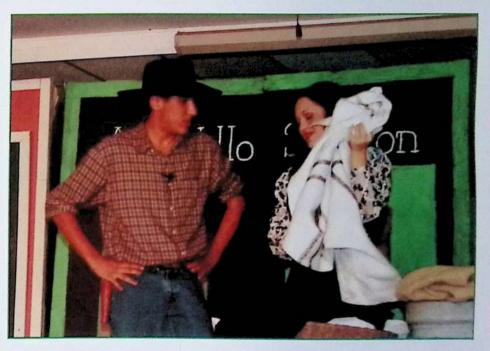
"No, that's not it..." recites the Masked Avenger, played by Jason Hawk, junior. "This play not only had its funny moments, but its confusing ones as well," Hawk said.

With fingers pointed, the sheriff, played by sophomore Ben Tegethoff, threatens the old prospector, played by Greg Cherry, sophomore. "One would think overcoming the obstacle of perfecting my character was the most difficult thing to do, but actually overcoming Pav was the worst," states Cherry.



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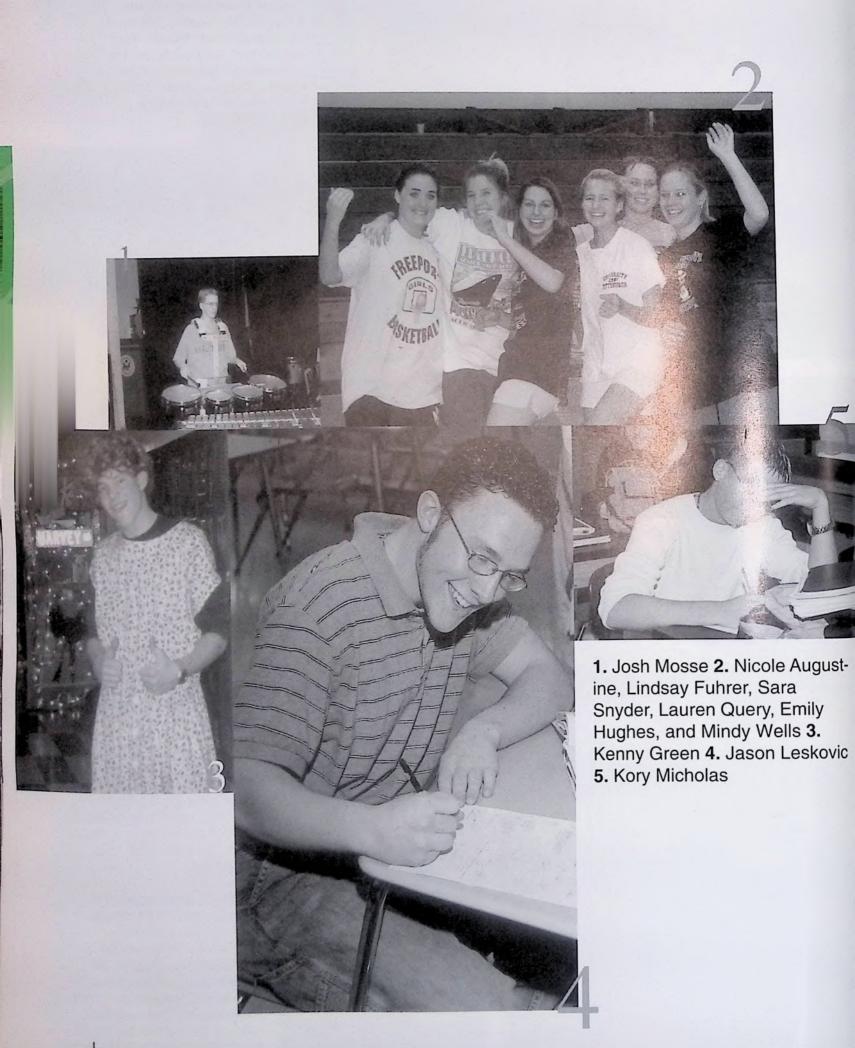


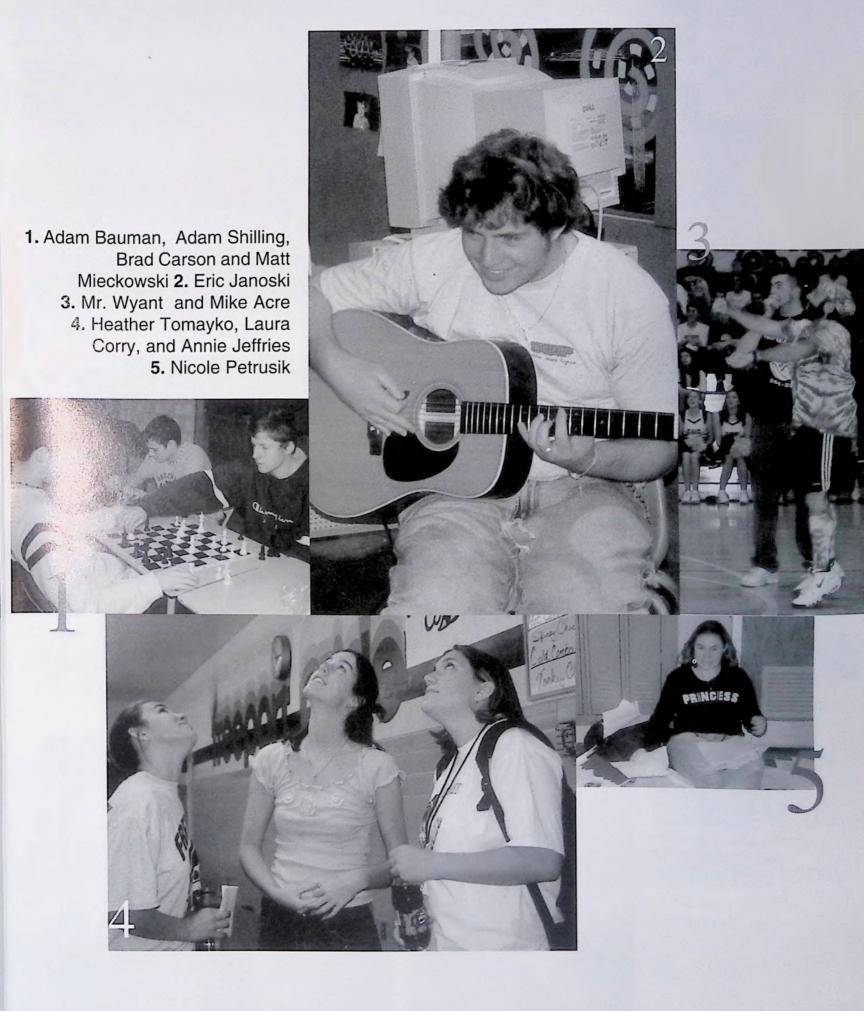




Handing over the blankie, the Masked Avenger's sidekick, Howdy, played by sophomore Mike Hanna, allows for some time to talk with Widow Jones, played by Bethany Krowsoski, junior. "Considering a lot of seniors leaving last year, I enjoyed meeting all the newcomers," comments Hanna.

Saddened by the events, Miss Rebecca, played by Helen Pflugh, junior, seeks the comfort of the masked man. "My favorite part of the performance was during the Uncle Rudy's Rootbeer Commercial, when Marcie, backstage at the time and unaware that her microphone was on, accidentally burped right in the middle of the skit," said Pflugh.



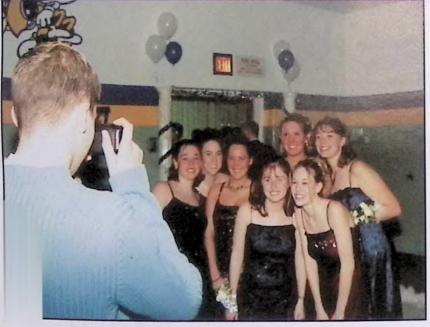


Junior court: Katrina Greco and Mark Medovitch Freshman court: Nick DeCroo and Rudee Dilick Sophomore court: Shannon Reesman and Scott Vascik Senior court: Clint Braden and Rachel Buday

"When I dip, you dip, we dip..." enjoying the evening, Steven Cooper and Dave Stoops, both juniors, don't mind dancing together.





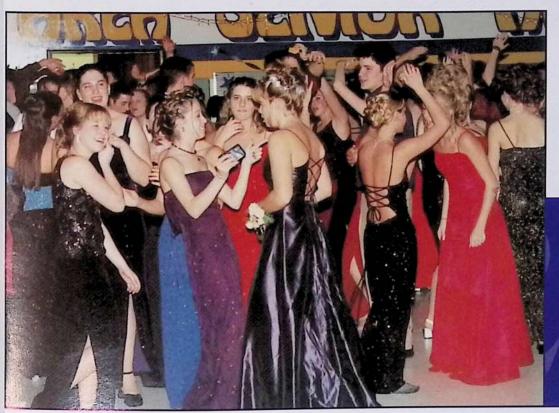


Say cheese, picture taking is an absolute at any dance and Nate Arvay, senior, just happened to capture the moment for these girls.

The heat of the night, Jenna Malak, senior, along with Kristen Kendell, junior, enjoy themselves after a full night of dancing and having a good time.







"Whoop there it is..." a massive crowd scene shows the true highlights of the night.

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hile the icy temperatures fell this winter, students prepared for their star-studded entrance to this year's Snowball. Girls were busy doing their hair, nails, and make-up while the guys were...well, watching SportsCenter or MTV.

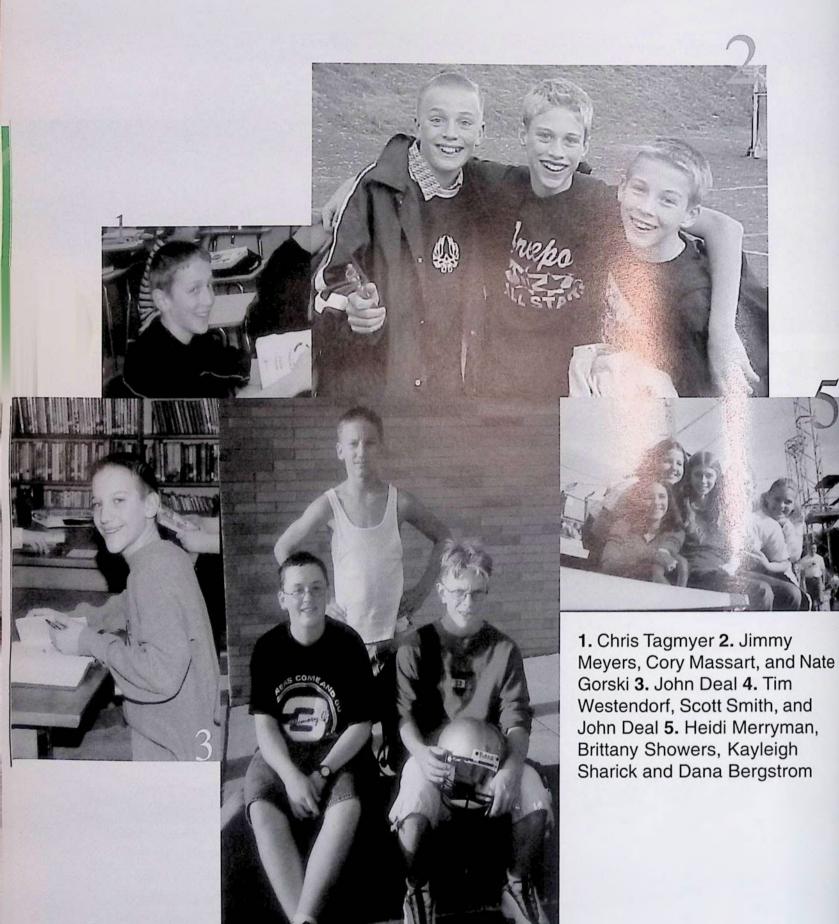
Even though the minute hand on the clock went around so slowly that afternoon, the time eventually came to go to dinner. While some couples went all out, others settled for a more casual supper.

The evening grew on and people began to scramble into the dance. While some waited for the music to start, others stood in line to get their pictures taken.

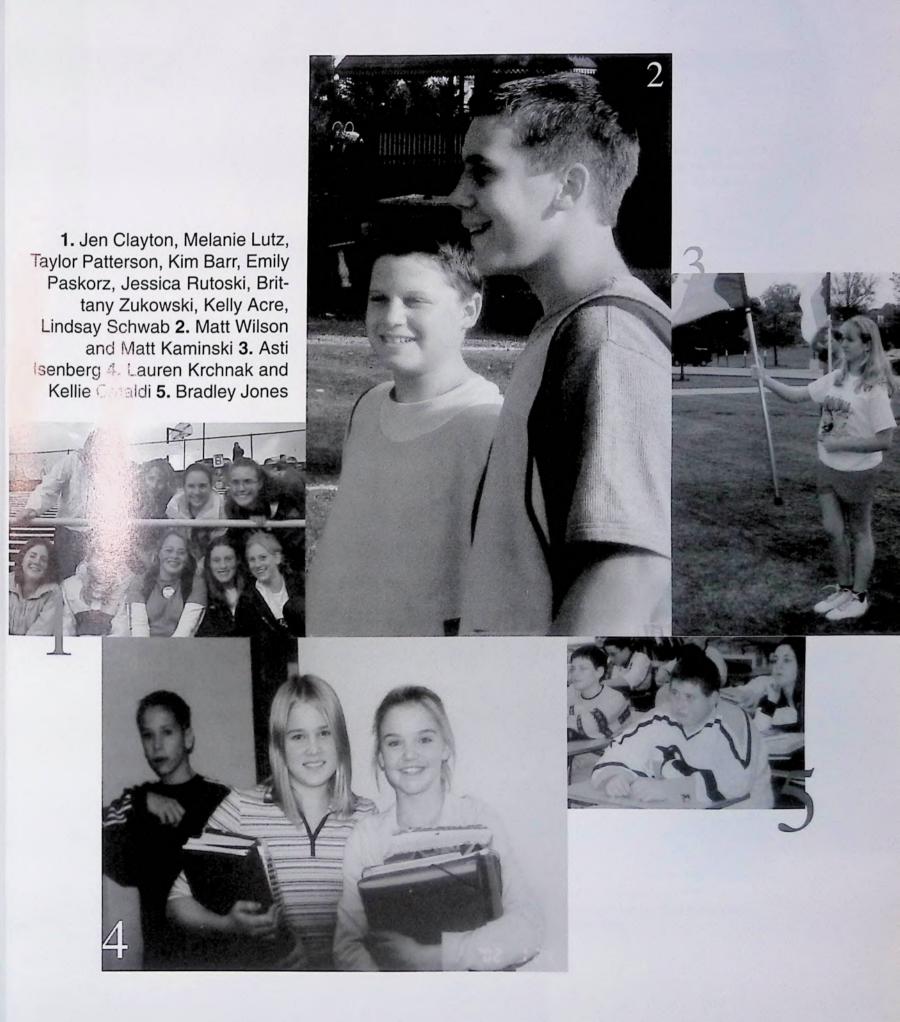
After the formalness of the night died down, people cut loose and really started to enjoy their moments together.

All-in-all, despite the frigid temperatures, the night was a successful venture. Friendships even blossomed as the dance also served the purpose of bringing people together after a year filled with uncertainty.

Party till ya drop, sophomore Terrel Kemp knows how to move to the music and impress the ladies.



Gorski 3. John Deal 4. Tim Westendorf, Scott Smith, and John Deal **5.** Heidi Merryman, Brittany Showers, Kayleigh Sharick and Dana Bergstrom



xtravagant costumes, rotating sets, and perspiring talent marked three evenings this year in April as "Hello Dolly" performed to sold-out audiences.

After weeks of preparation, the acting, singing, and dancing rehearsals paid off for the cast. Even though hands were quivering, no member of the audience could even detect an ounce of nervousness.

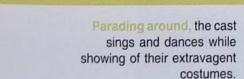
Audience members had the opportunity to purchase flowers for the cast and the entire hallway had a fragrant aroma.

As the evening progressed, the cast left the stage for intermission, leaving the audience questioning what would happen next. They had the opportunity to purchase refreshments and visit Freeport's Annual Art Show in the cafeteria.

Once they were back in gear, the show really kicked off and the audience was exhumed by an actionpacked second half.

Cheers and uproar filled the auditorium at the end of the night and unfortunately the evening had come to an end.

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With split-second timing, featured dancer, Lindsey Fuhrer, senior, performs her solo routine in front of a full house.

Tough Enough, junior Eric Janoski sings with a group of men who joined him in his general store.



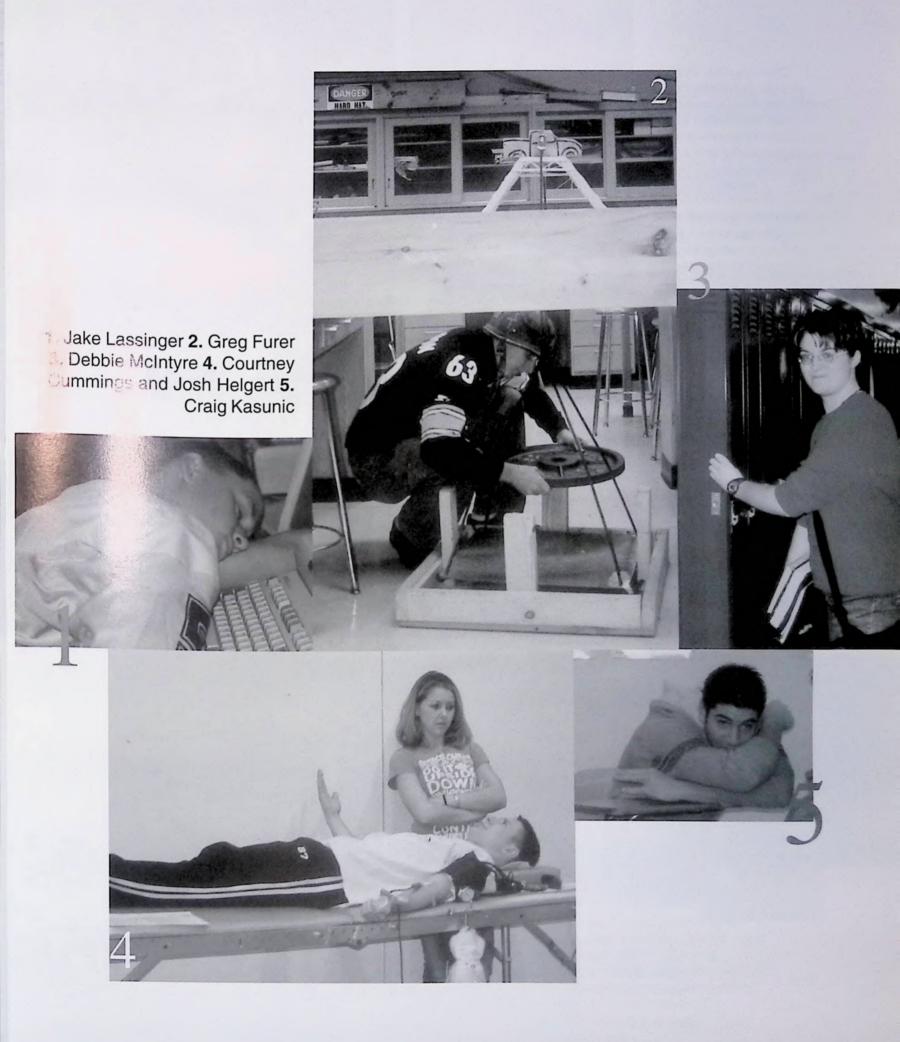




Hand in hand, Noel Aucoin, dips Laura Corry in a duet they had together during the show.

Yippee! The cast of "Hello Dolly."





Cha-cha y'all, Heather Tomayko and Katrina Greco, both juniors, enjoy some time on the dance floor. Heather comments, "It was a fun evening for me, especially since I got to wear the same dress my sister wore to her prom."

### Dressed for the occasion,

Verity Abbott and Charlie O'Conner, both seniors, are having a blast at their senior









First Row: Mindy Wells, Sara Snyder, Alyssa Caripolti, Carrie Crissman Second Row: Kevin Vascik,

Adam Katic, Mark Medovitch, Tim Walters

King and Queen: Alexis Reed and Craig Kasunic

Groovin' to the music, Mr. Sulava takes the time to boogie with Karlie Carson, senior, and Amanda Beresik, junior.





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he moment of truth, the moment that everyone talks about, came this year as Freeport had it's prom on May 3, 2002.

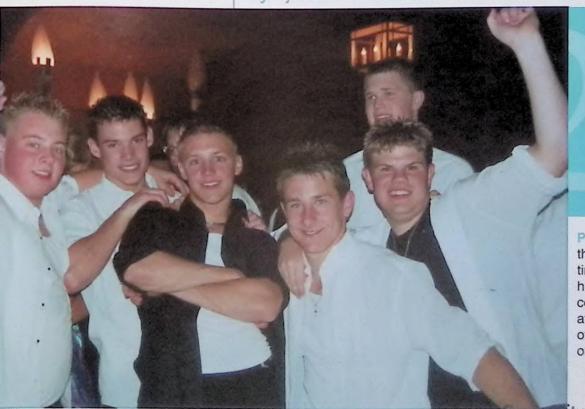
The night began as the awaiting group of parents and friends got their first glimpse of the couples as their cars were parked by the valets. "The temperature that day wasn't exactly the most comfortable and my date wouldn't give me his jacket even though I was freezing," comments junior Christy DiEmidio.

After showing off their elegant attire to the crowd, the couples were then welcomed by the beautifully decorated hall, filled with balloon-covered trees, a mystical garden, and an elaborate castle. Frank Palermo, junior, said, "I thought the theme was well planned and an interesting choice, I look forward to seeing what the committee does next year."

With the prom ending at midnight, the group of students waited as the after-prom committee set up the casino environment. Everything from money machines to blackjack was incorporated into the theme. "I had a fun evening, but its hard to have fun for a really long time," stated junior Eric Janoski.

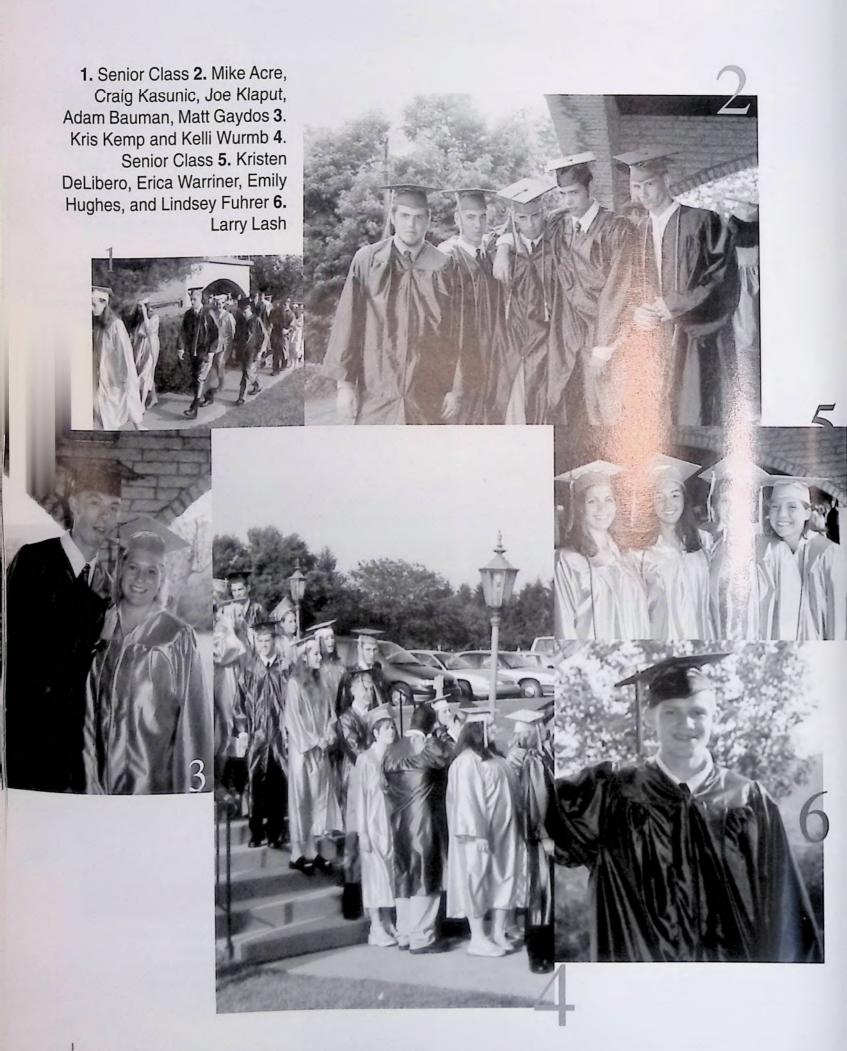
The group of couples dwindled down, but some couples stayed awake to finish the evening. All-in-all, the prom was a successful venture and well executed by the junior class. Leah Weleski, junior, agrees, "The prom committee did a good job. You can tell they put a lot of time into it and it was beautifully decorated."

by jason hawk



Party on, Josh Helgert and the gang, all juniors, take a time out after winning the hula hoop competition. Josh comments, "Besides afterprom, I think the best part of the evening was back at our hot tub party."

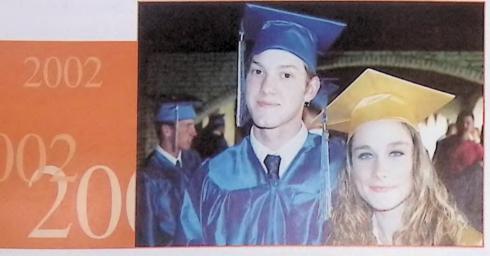
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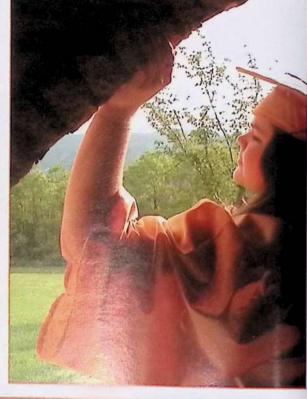




All smiles, seniors Meagan Scalise and Tim Olszewski, stand ready for the procession into Lobby Hall.

Looking forward, senior Jamie Nicholson takes time to reflect on the time she spent in high school.



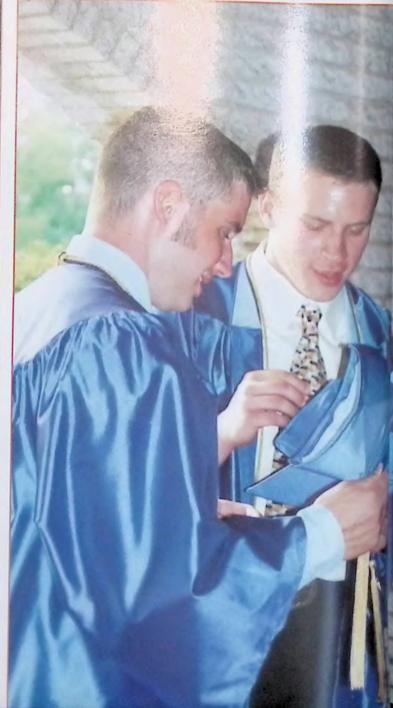


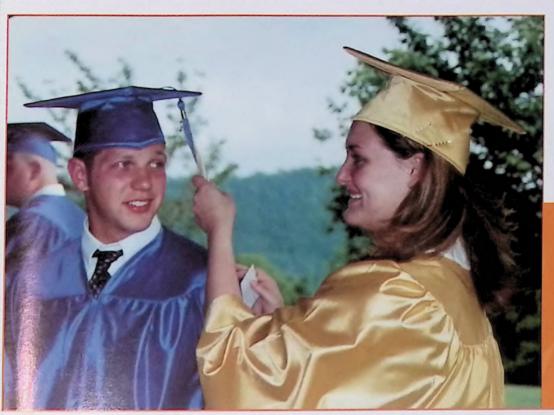


Waiting for the cue, the entire senior class stood outside Lobby Hall with growing anticipation.

Listening, Jenna Malak along with Matt Majestic await their turn to head up and get their diplomas.







Helping hands, Nicole Augustine takes a moment to help Tyler Cochran adjust his tassles.

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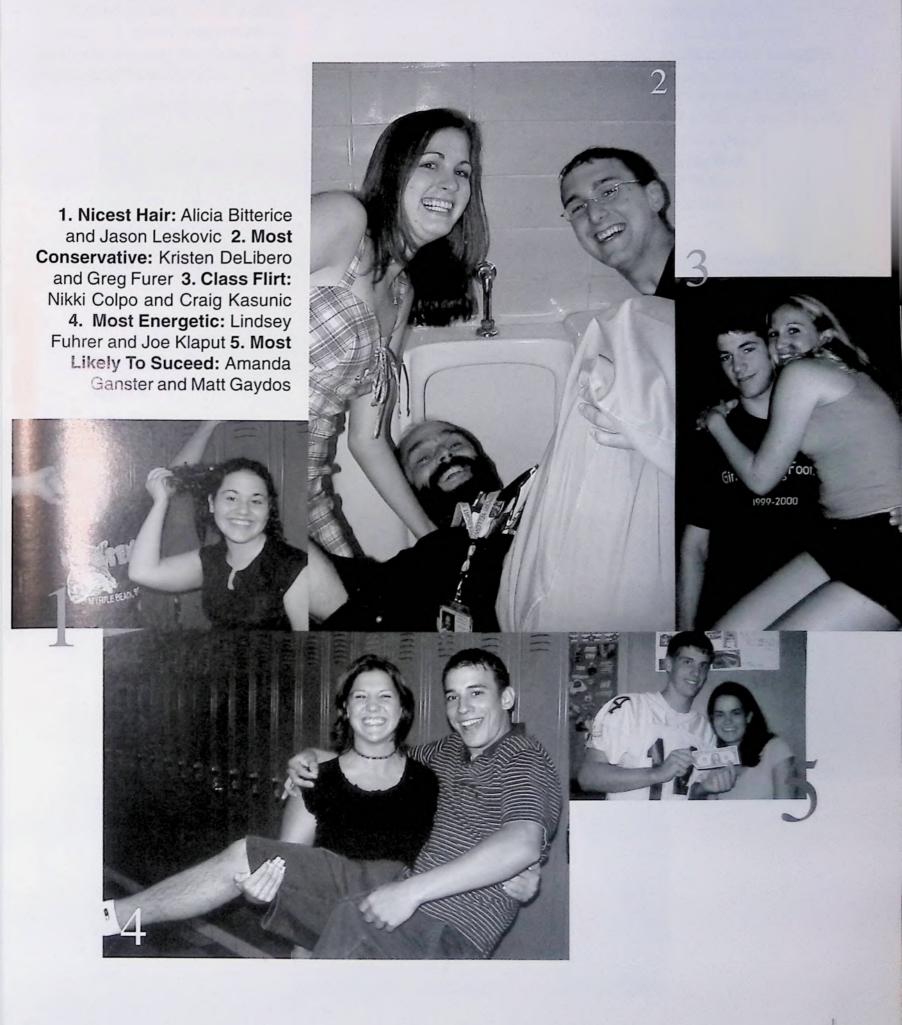
Last minute adjustments, Bert Stoehr and Clint Braden try to get their mind off the fact that they're going to graduate within the next hour. uring school, it's the time that every successful student dreams about and wishes would come sooner, graduation. The night finally fell on Wednesday, June 12, at 7:00 p.m., after an unusual school year with the construction of Buffalo Elementary postponing the first day.

The evening started as all 117 seniors waited outside Lobby Hall. It's another unusual element to the evening as this is one of the smallest classes in the history of Freeport.

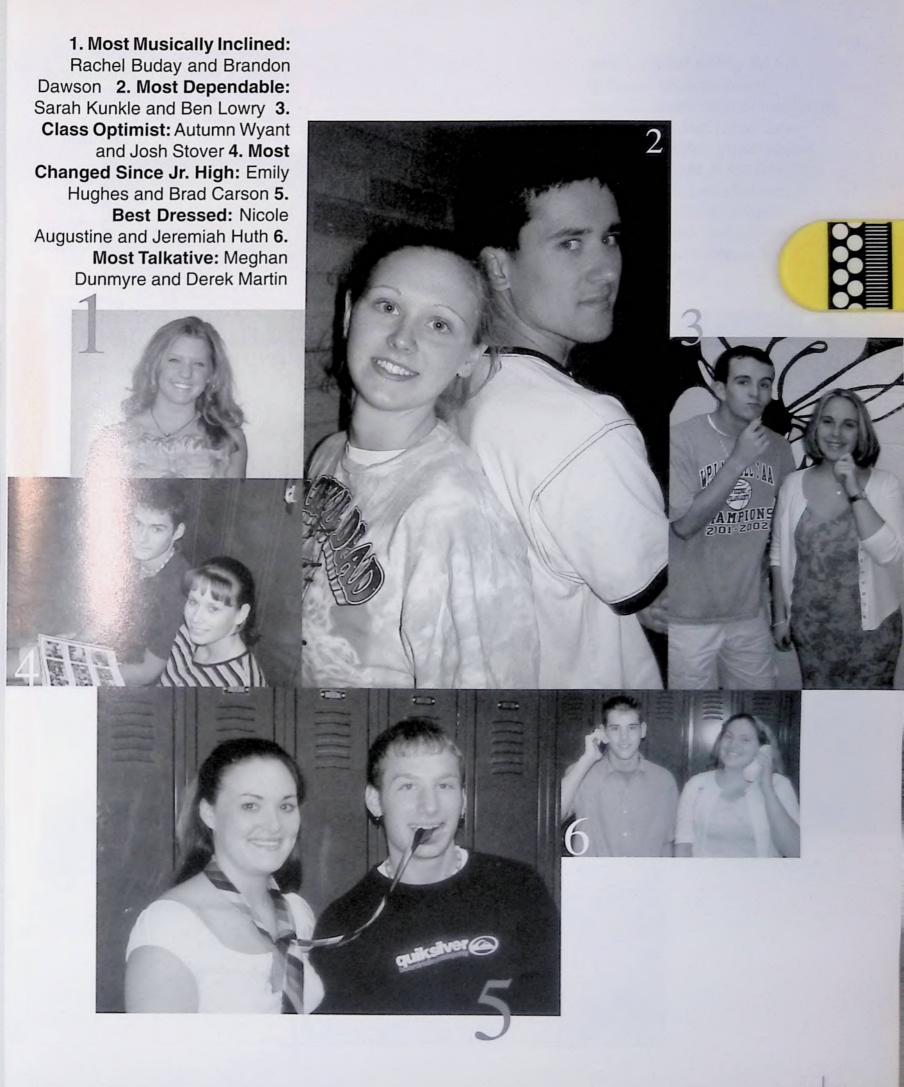
When the presentation actually began, the scent of anticipation was in the air as the two student speakers were introduced. Bert Stoehr reminisced about the good old days when thirteen years ago the class met together for the first time while Autumn Wyant talked about the different roads each will take in their future.

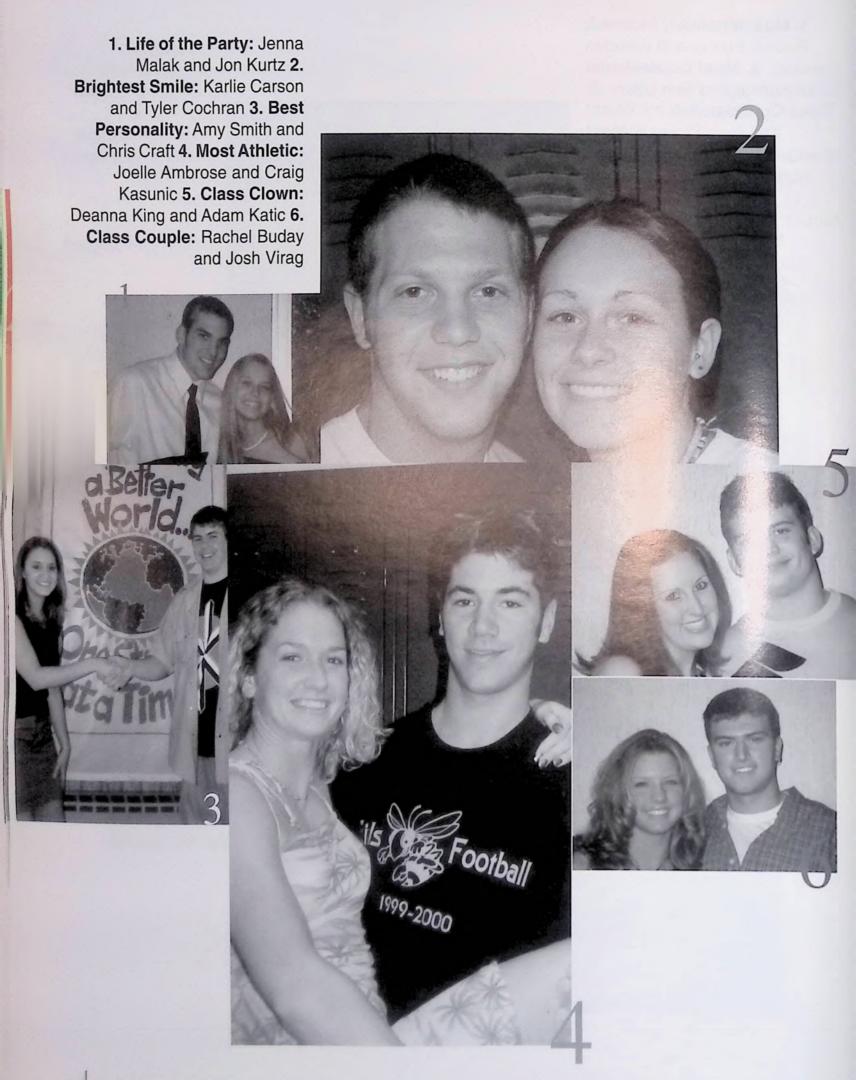
Throughout the years the class experienced its ups and downs and the night itself reflected the acts of September 11<sup>th</sup>. This was the graduating class that will have that horrific date tarnished to its existence, but a class that shows its ability to overcome all obstacles and shows responsibility in all occasions.

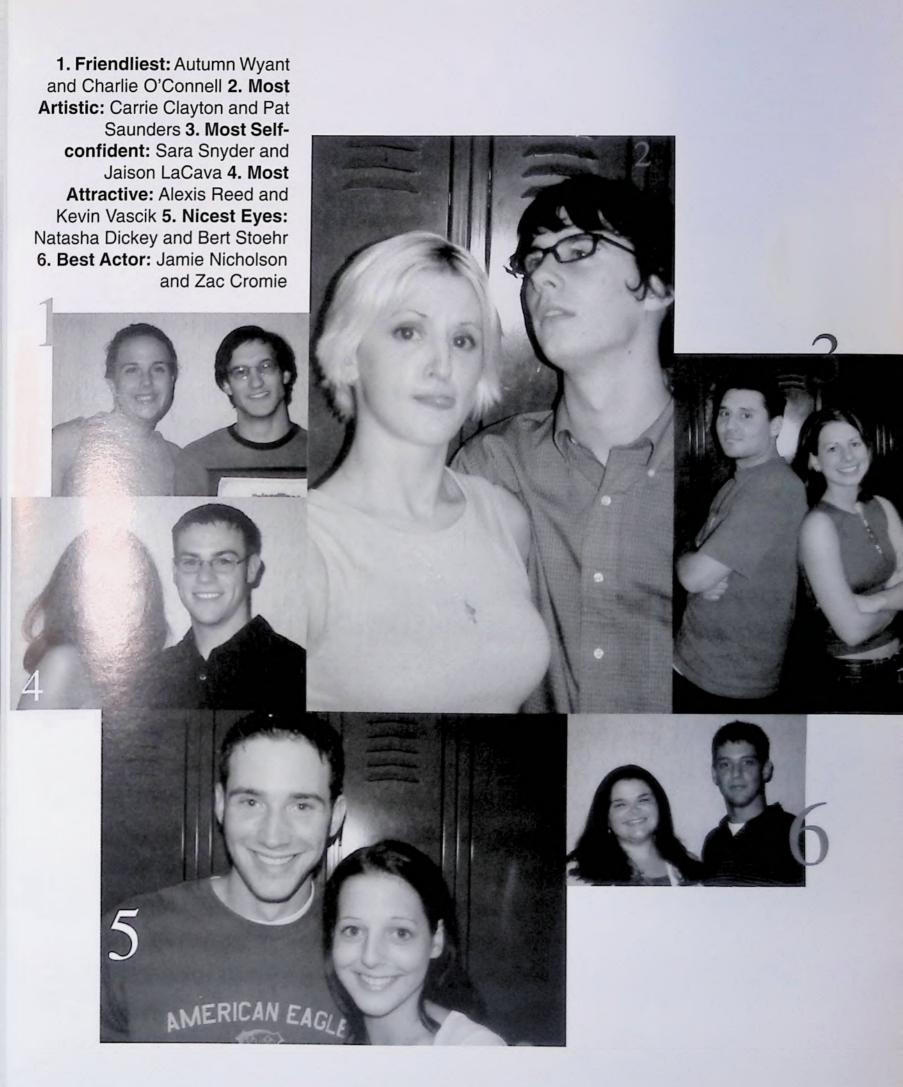
















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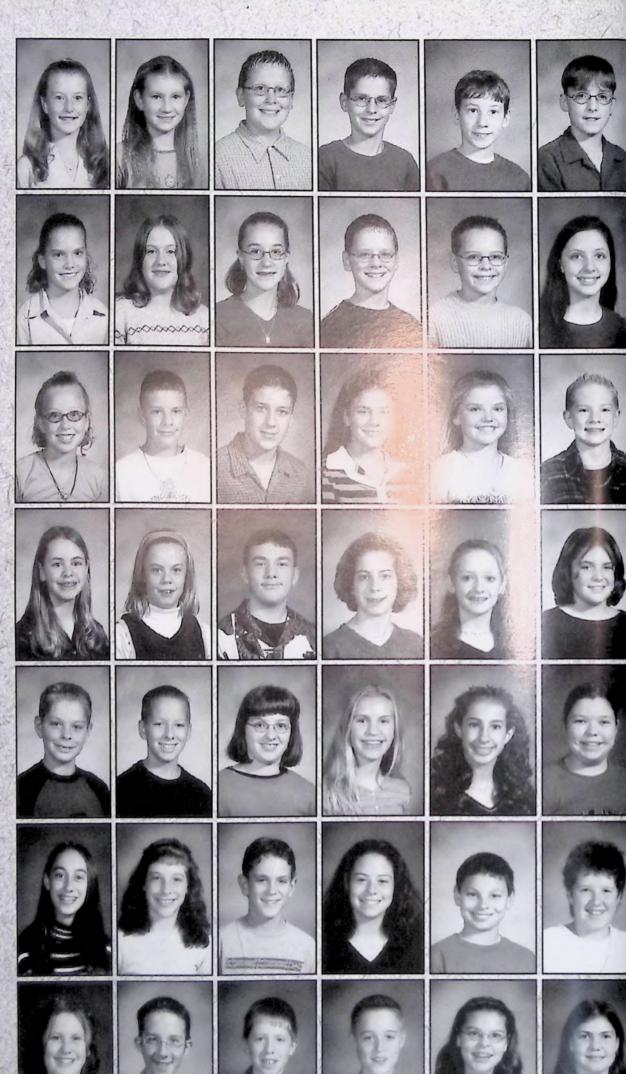
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Heather Dymkoski Daniel Edwards Eric Fink Ryan Fogarty Erin Foster Anna Foust









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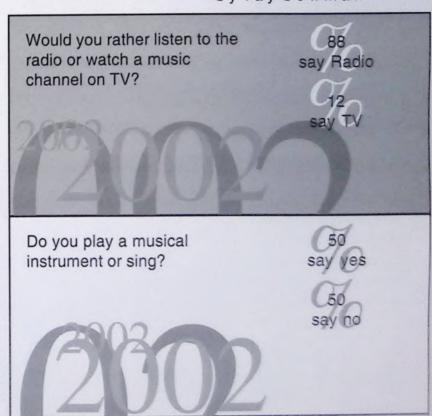
### your views on... Music

Music is impossible from which to stay away. Music is everywhere, from the radios in vehicles, to the CDs in most stores. Even the catchy jingles in the commercials we hear. Everyone has their preference on songs, bands, performers, radio stations, and styles of music.

Almost everyone interviewed would rather listen to the radio than watch a channel, supposedly devoted to music, on TV. Most people said that channels like MTV have really moved away from the music aspect of the show and instead focus on programs that really have nothing to do with music.

Although everyone is exposed to music, only about half of the people interviewed play an instrument or sing. A lot of people miss out on the chance to experience music as an avocation, and colleges really look at extra-curricular activities for admission. Music related courses are sometimes a high priority for schools because it shows that you may be a well-rounded person.

#### by ray bowman!

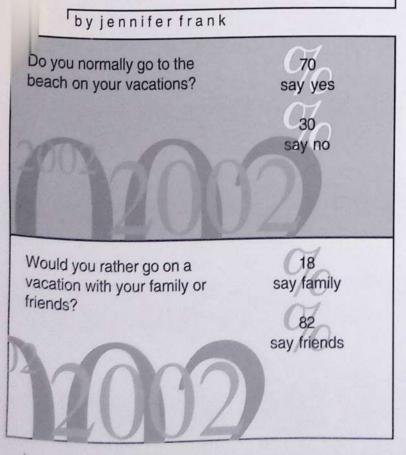


# Vacation shots

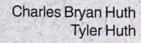
Your choice of vacation spots and accommodations can determine how much you really enjoy your destination. For example, you could go to an exotic island where the hotels and food are impressive or maybe a mountain skiing resort is more your style.

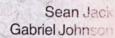
People take vacations for many reasons: to visit relatives, to visit new places, and sometimes just to get away from work--in which case, the destination is not that important. "My most memorable vacation was when I was five and we visited South Dakota. My Dad made me sit on a statue of Lincoln to get a picture and since it was almost 100 degrees, it burnt my butt," comments Laura Corry, junior.

No matter where your dream vacation may be, when combined with either visiting family and friends, checking out foreign hot spots, or seeing historical sites of the area, a vacation is a time to relax and get away from the hustle and bustle of everyday life.



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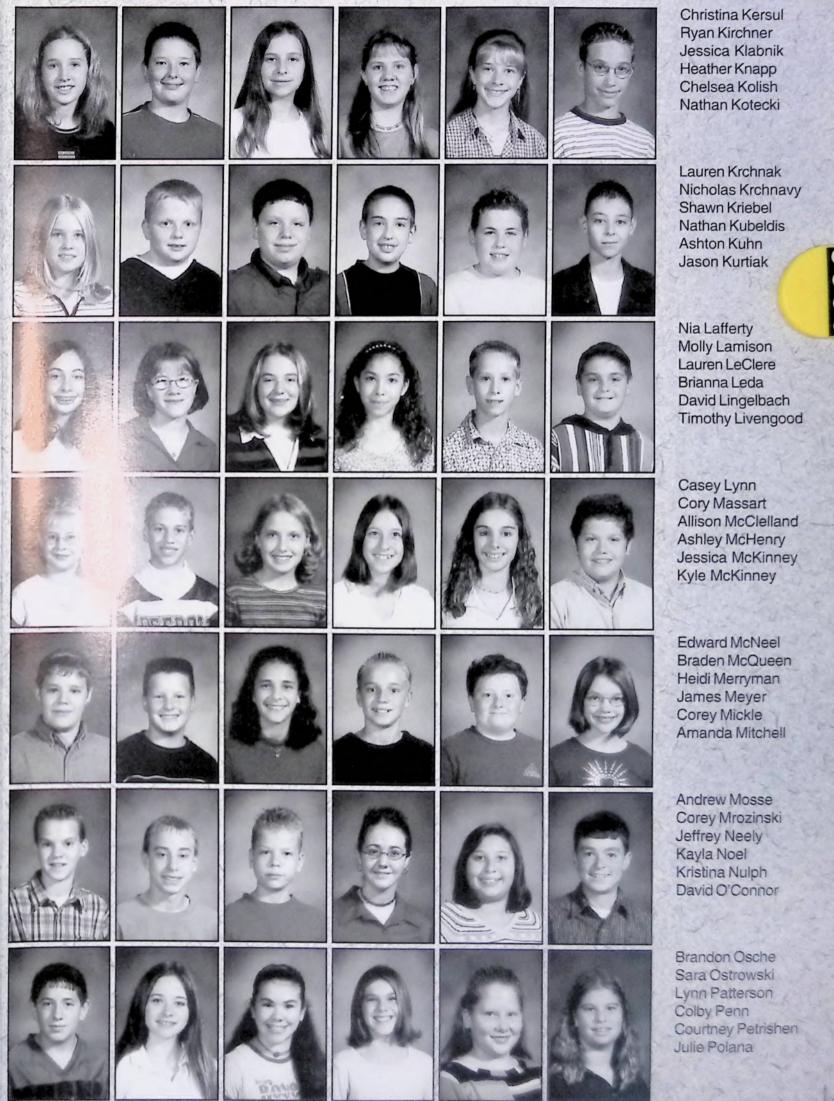












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Not Pictured: Jody Dickey

### your views on... Iv and movies

TV and movies are a favorite source of entertainment--especially during the cooler months. As the weather gets cooler and people spend time indoors, they need a source of entertainment that holds their attention and helps them forget the cold winter to come. This is why new TV shows and movies are introduced during the fall.

Most teenagers enjoy a good scare and that is why scary movies seem to keep their interest. One Freeport student comments, "I like to go see scary movies because I'm in a different area than my home and I can't just turn on the lights so it makes it a lot scarier and enjoyable because I know it's not real."

The biggest entertainment attractions are the reality shows. Some of the most popular among teenagers are Survivor, Temptation Island, and of course The Real World.

As long as executives keep thinking up teenage appealing shows and movies, entertainment will be a main staple in our lives.

by jennifer frank<sup>1</sup>

What is your favorite TV show?

Friends



What was the best movie to appear in theaters this year?

Lord of the Rings

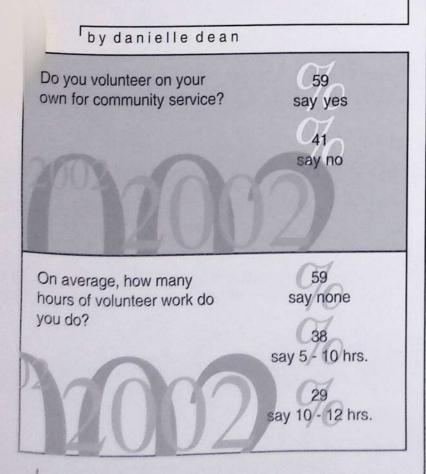


# your views on...

Volunteer work from teenagers is something that sometimes goes unnoticed. In Freeport High School there are several groups and activities that lend their time and services to volunteering. One of these activities is the Blood Drive, which the junior and seniors had the chance to participate in this year. The Blood Drive was a big success thanks to chairman Josh Stover, senior, and co-chairpersons, Courtney Cummings and Laura Corry, both juniors.

Another group is the Service Club, soon to be the Freeport Key Club, which is a nationally recognized service organization. They do volunteer work throughout the community such as helping with the Easter Egg Hunt at the Freeport Community Park and cleaning up the Park and Ride.

Mark Medovitch, junior, says, "I volunteer at the school store, at a horse breeding farm, and a cycling program. Volunteering makes you feel good. It also helps a lot for college and its fun."



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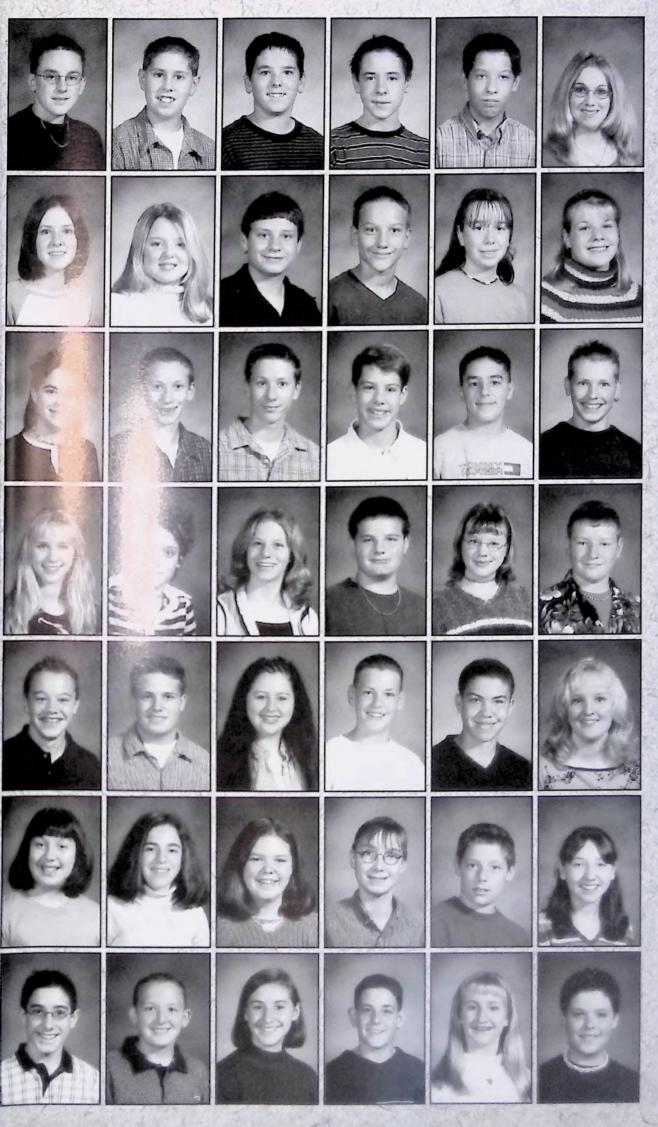




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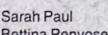
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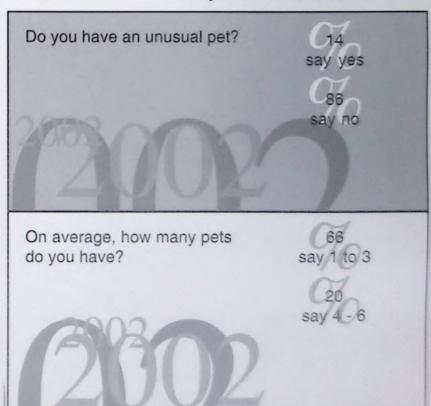
## your views on... Unusual pets

Do you have an unusual pet? Most families only have a pet dog or pet cat. What most people don't know is that some of the best pals are unusual.

If cats bore you, may I suggest a gecko, and no, not the insurance company. If you are tired of dogs, give a scorpion a try. And if goldfish are too normal for you, how about a piranha.

One of the reasons for not getting an unusual pet is the cost. For families who don't want to spend a lot of money on a pet, a parrot, for instance, might not be a good choice because they can be rather expensive. Unusual pets usually require a greater dedication to the animal. So if you are a little on the irresponsible side. I wouldn't recommend a snake, because the last thing your parents want is a loose serpent roaming around your house.

by danielle dear



your views on...

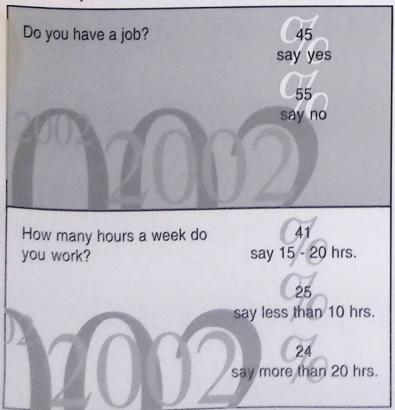
Do you have an after-school job? Well, most teenagers do. "We need to earn money because everything is so expensive," says an employed Freeport student.

Some positive reasons for having an afterschool job is that with the money you can go see the new Julia Roberts' flick or buy the cute shoes you saw at the mall. A job can also give you real life experience and help in determining what career you would like to go into in the future.

On the flip side, there are also some negative reasons with having an after-school job. You have less time to hang out with your friends and to participate in after-school activities. You also have to budget your time better when doing homework.

As you can see, there are two sides to having an after-school job. Freeport High School makes having an after-school job easier. With the early-release program, students learn the needed skills to be responsible at their jobs. They also get to leave early from school so they fit work into their academic schedule.

by danielle dean



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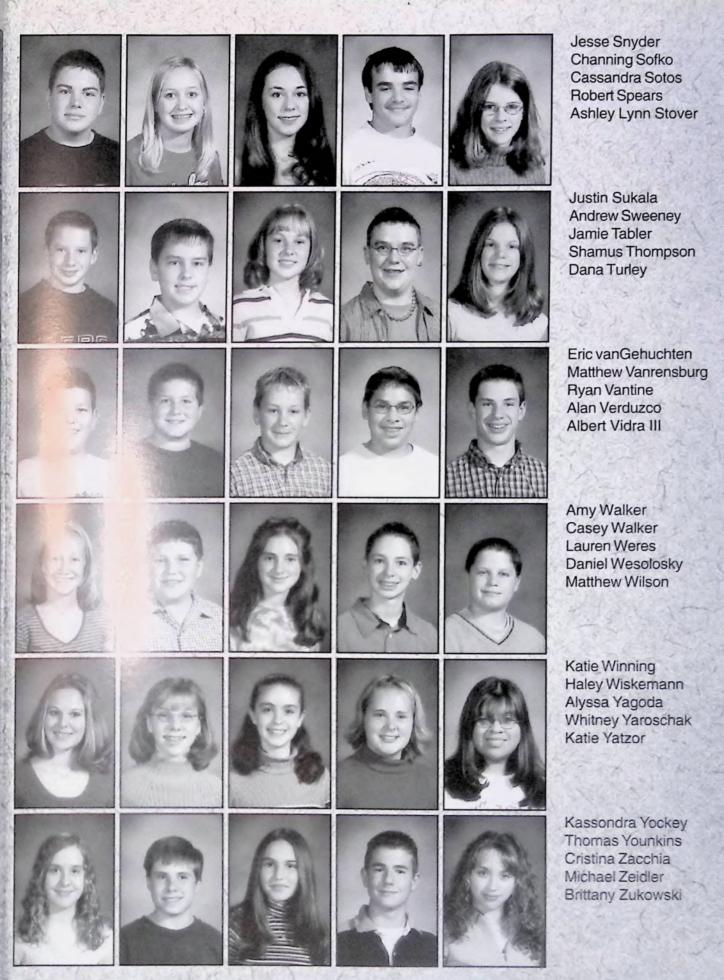












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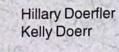












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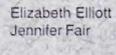


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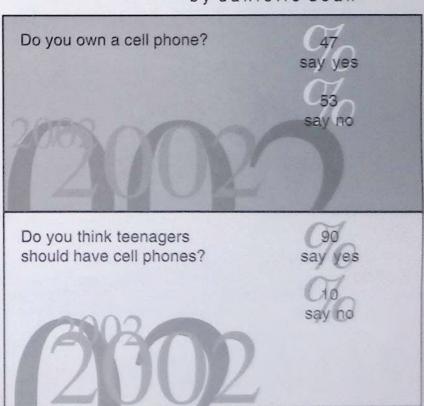
## your views on...

In the last few years, cell phones have become the new trend. You can buy new covers for them, play games on them, and best of all, talk to your friends. It seems like you can do almost anything on a cell phone.

Everybody seems to have a cell phone these days. You see people with cell phones to their ears driving in their cars and walking down the road. Even when you are on line, people's away messages read "Not here, call the celly."

There are two different opinions on this issue. I talked with two girls from Freeport. One girl said, "I wanted a cell phone, but when I finally got one, I found out it's not that great, and I never use it!" The other girl commented, "I love my cell phone. If there is an emergency I can reach my parents easily." Whatever your opinions on cell phones may be, they are definitely the new accessory of choice.

#### by danielle dean



your views on...

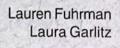
Along with food, clothing, and shelter, a neccessity of life is sleep. Depending on the person, the average teenager needs about eight to nine hours of sleep each night. During your first years as a child you sleep at least twelve or eighteen hours each day. This was due to your rapid growth. Certain tests have been shown that when a person goes without sleep for even a day they have trouble doing even the simplest tasks.

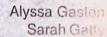
Junior Sherri Fawcett says "I average about seven hours of sleep a night. I believe school shouldn't start until 9:00 a.m. or 9:30 a.m. because it's harder to concentrate on tests before 9:00 a.m."

Many teenagers agree that school should start later because it gives you more time to prepare for the upcoming school day, and gives you the sleep that you need to perform your best in school and other activities. But you also have to take into consideration that extracurricular activities would be pushed back later in the day.

by lori delibero How much sleep do you get 61 on average? say 6 hours 35 say 9 hours 49 What time do you think say 9:00 a.m. school should start in the morning? say 8:00 a.m. say 10:00 a.m.

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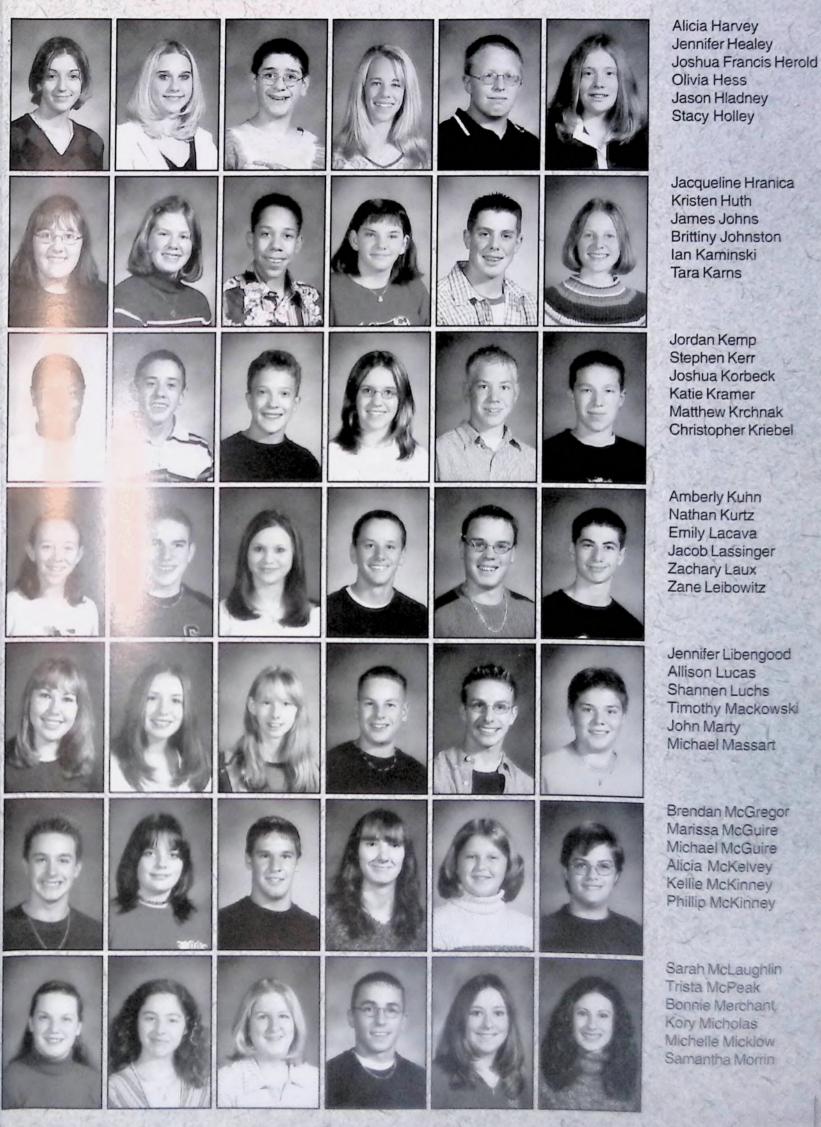












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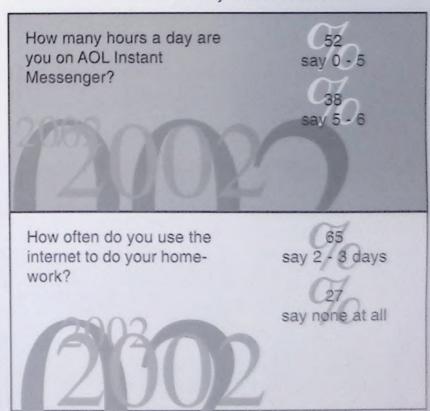
## Internet

The Internet is something that has grown to be an everyday part of life to most teenagers. With the growing popularity of the Internet, a house lacking an Internet connection is hard to find. Common uses among teenagers are homework help, playing games, and keeping in touch with friends and family.

With the widely spread access to the Internet, comes the emerging ".com" industry. An anonymous 9th grade Freeport student says, "I think the Internet is a good thing because you can keep in touch with all your friends and e-mail relatives that don't live nearby. It's a good way to keep teenagers entertained."

All in all the Internet is used by teenagers mostly for entertainment, whether it is keeping up on their favorite athletes, the latest fashion trends, or what movies are playing at the local theater. In a recent poll the top three websites used by Freeport students are Yahoo, Hotmail, and sports related websites.

#### by lori delibero



### your views on... weet 16

In high school, one of the most exciting times is when you receive your license. With the new law of receiving your license after having your permit for six months, there have been many different opinions that students have. Some greatly disagree with the new law, and think that you should get your permit at 15 1/2 and your license at 16. Others think the law is a great idea, "It gives you a lot of experience before you actually get out on the road. The more experience you have, the better driver you will be," says one student.

Teenage drivers get a bad reputation for driving, which may be one of the main reasons that the age for driving was changed. One of the major disputes has been whether teenage girls or guys are worse drivers. When asked, one student said, "Girls are worse drivers because they do not pay attention." On contrast, girls think that guys are worse drivers because they drive fast and try to show off. Statistics have said that guys have had more accidents, but recently the girls have been catching up. This fact may cause a decrease in some of the privileges given to girls.

No matter what, both teenage girls and guys need to become safer and more alert while on the road.

#### by amanda thiry & christie clowes Do you think it is a good idea 46 to have your permit for six say yes months before recieving your 54 license? say no 50 Do you think teenage girl or say boys boy drivers are worse? say girls say neither

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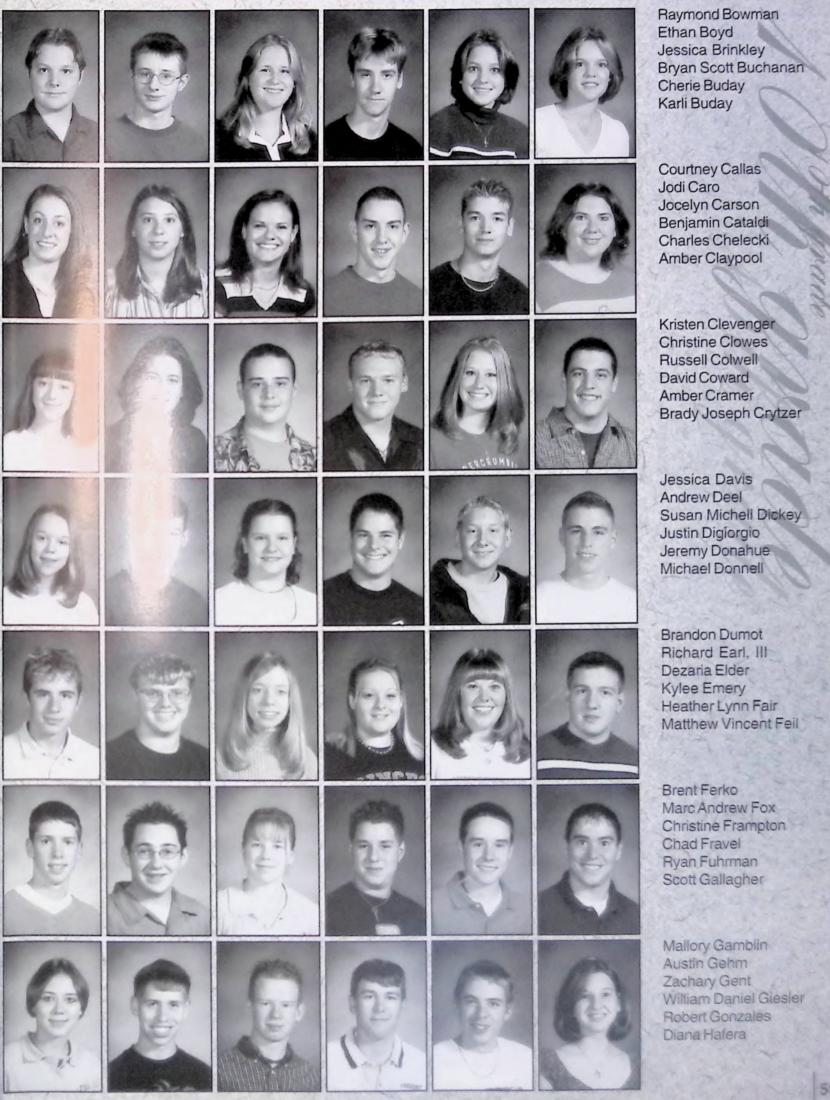


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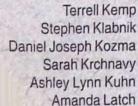




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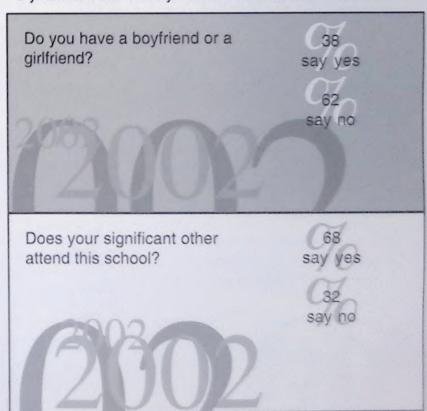
## Relationships

There are many different views on high school relationships that students have. Some say that it is a good thing, but others disagree. What do you think?

Ally Wood, 10th grader, says, "I think it is cool, but I'm not sure that it is totally worth it." Some relationships get too involved for high school and are just a waste of time. You spend a lot of time with this person and stressing over what is going to happen, when you could be hanging out with your friends and not having to worry about these things. Are you really going to spend the rest of your life with them?

While others think just the opposite. Jason Wetzel, 10th grader, states "I think it is a great thing because it gets you used to what is in store for you in the future." You learn what relationships are all about and you always have someone there to talk to and comfort you. You never get lonely or bored looking for something to do. Relationships are a big part of your high school experi-

by amanda thiry & christie clowes



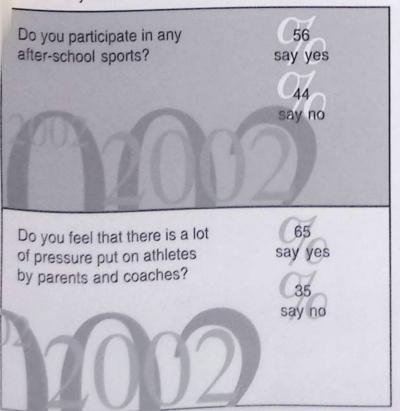
## your views on... Shorts

Freeport's Athletics have been doing exceptionally well this year with several of the sports teams making the playoffs. All the teams practice very hard almost everyday of the week in order to reach this goal. One question, however, that is being raised is whether or not the students are being pushed too hard in their sports rather than in their academic achievements.

"I don't think there is too much pressure put on athletes because our school is always supportive of them, especially if they are good students," says Emma Stoehr, 10th grader. As long as the athletes keep up their grades and work their hardest, nothing more can be asked of them. It's when your grades start slipping that you become very stressed. Coaches get upset about your grades and make you work harder. But most of the time, "coaches are normally there for support."

Sports are very important, but make sure you know your priorities, and you know that your academics come first.

#### by amanda thiry & christie clowes



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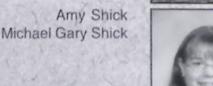




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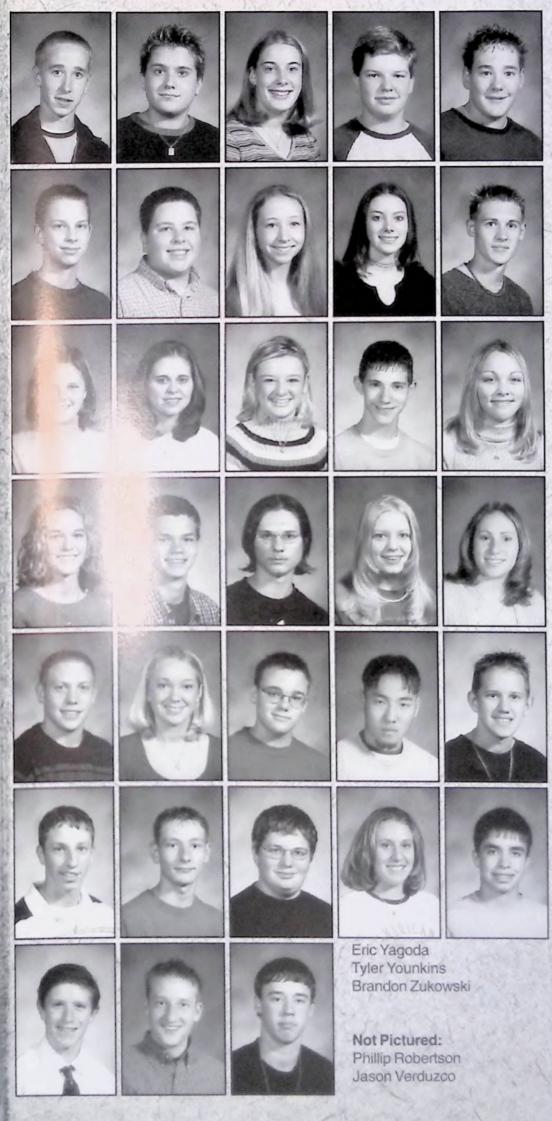












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#### your views on...

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One of the best parts of high school is being with your friends. Adults say that it is the greatest time of your life and to take advantage of it. When you are with your friends, you can be yourself and not have to worry about what they think of you.

Many people hang out with a large group of friends, while also having one or two best friends. Some think it is a good idea to hang out in large groups rather than just one friend because, like Chris Plocki, freshman, said, "When you are with a group of friends there is always something to do and you do not get bored easily." You are always occupied and are able to spend time with everyone at once.

Others feel that they like to spend time with only one or two friends. Kerry Saunders, freshman, said, "I think it is fun to hang out with one person because you don't have to worry about pleasing everyone." You can also be more open with one friend and develop more of a personal relationship.

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Do you feel a lot of peer pressure from your friends at school?

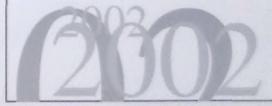
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Do you spend most of your time with just your best friend or a group of friends?

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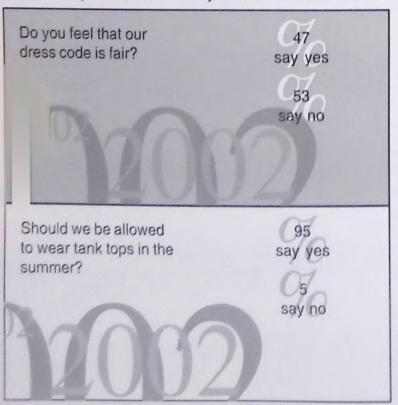


## your views on the...

Do you feel that our dress code is fair? Do you think that we should be restricted more, or be able to wear more? Many people have many different views on the subject, but if you were to talk to most students, they would feel that they should be able to wear more. Christie Clowes. 10th grader, said, "I think some aspects of our dress code are good, but we should be able to wear some other things, like tank tops when it gets warm out." It gets very hot when school starts and when it ends, causing the students to be very uncomfortable because they are hot. Also, it is very hard for girls to find shorts long enough to fit the requirements.

On the contrary, many people, including teachers, feel that letting the students have more freedom with what they wear might cause more of a distraction in the classroom. For instance, if girls were able to wear tank tops, the boys might get distracted and not be able to work as well as they would normally. In fact, some teachers think we should have more restrictions.

by amanda thiry & christie clowes



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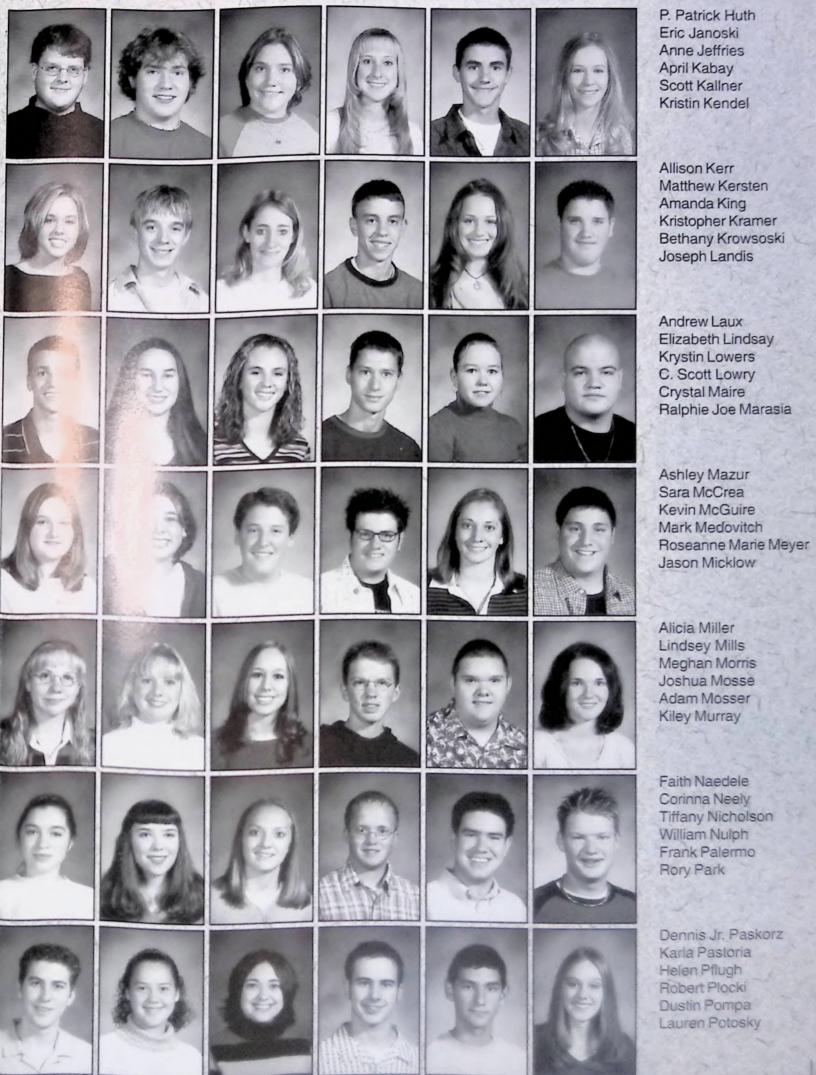








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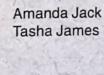


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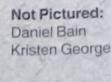
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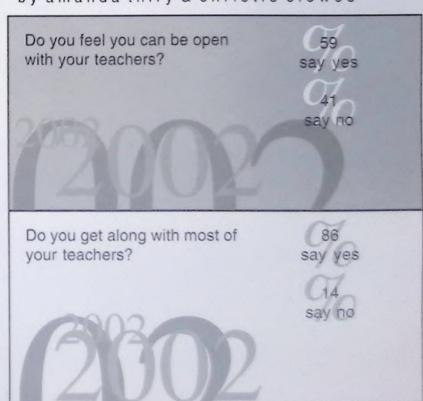
### your views on... Jeachers

The relationships that students have with their teachers vary greatly. Some feel that they get along well with their teachers and are able to be open with them. Ally Wood, 10th grader, explained, "Some teachers are open with their students and it makes them easier to talk to." This also makes the in-class experience and the time spent in school more pleasurable for everyone. With the good relationships, students and teachers respect each other more, and are able to depend on each other in certain ways. There is more cooperation, and the classes are much more interesting and fun.

On the other hand, some students feel that they do not have good relations with their teachers. "I don't think I can be open with teachers," said Chris Plocki, 9th grader. This is mainly because some of the students don't get along well with their teachers, for one reason or another.

Whatever the situation may be, it is best to get along well with teachers in order to make the school atmosphere more enjoyable for everyone.

by amanda thiry & christie clowes





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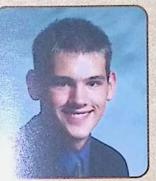
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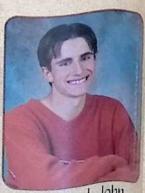
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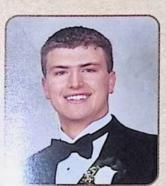
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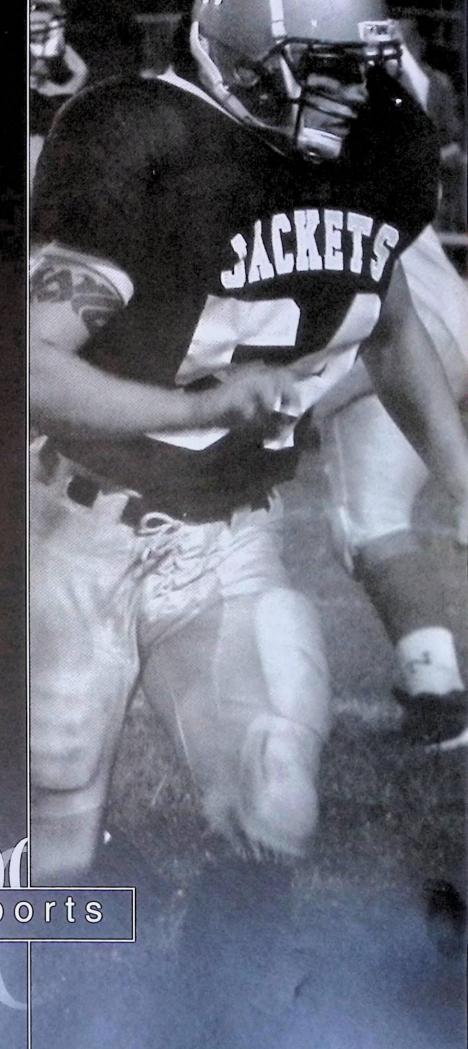
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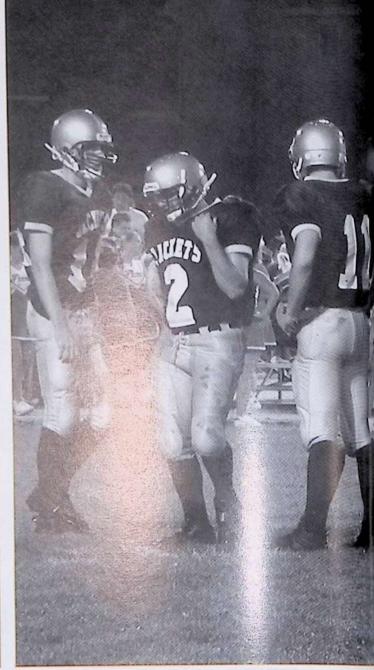
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Tyler Cochran, #5, "had fun kicking this year for the football team." He was most nervous at the Mars game when he missed a kick. He said he learned from it and just worked harder at practice, and the next game he made the kicks.

Charging out, the Freeport
Yellowjackets fall in line with
Adam Bauman, Mike Huth, and
Matt Gaydos leading the swarm.
They enter with linked arms and
exit together showing the support
and pride they share in being a
member of the team.







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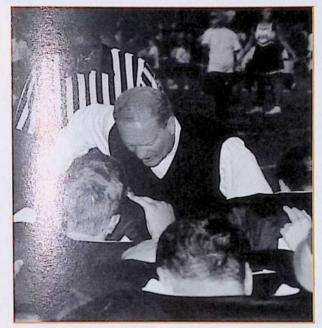
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		Us	Them
S	Northgate	27	0
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0	Burrell	6	13
O	Mars	7	10
(I)	Mohawk	16	14
0	Summit	51	28
_	Riverside	16	0
	Shady Side	21	19
1 4 3	Ford City	3	27

### one mission

Starting out, Matt Gaydos and Jaison LaCava look at each other before the first play of the first game this season. Matt remembers, "The excitement was unreal. I just can't describe the feelings I felt walking down the steps to the field, leading the team to the end-zone and running out in front of the fans."

Heads Bowed in prayer, the Freeport boys listen as Coach Albert leads the prayer. The boys went on to play a hard fought game against Mars, a tough opponent.



### **GREAT DESIRES**

by dan gaydos, cory weibel, & josh helgert

From double sessions to the last game, the Freeport Yellowjackets stuck together. The team had lost a great deal of seniors and no one picked us to do well. Our mission was to prove everyone wrong and that is exactly what we did. We finished out the season with a record of 5-4. We opened the season with a thrilling victory over Northgate. Next came three tough losses to Mars in

This will be a season that no one will ever forget.

overtime, Apollo Ridge, and Burrell.
All of these games were played to the last minutes and could have gone either way. This might have prompted us in a positive view, as the Jackets went on a winning streak for four games, defeating Shady Side, Summit Academy, Riverside, and Mohawk. We missed out on the

playoffs by one game after losing to Ford City. This will be a season that no one will ever forget. Everyone on the team played hard and knew our goal of success. The seniors showed the leadership that it takes to lead a group of young men to victory. The coaching staff taught the players that in order to be a winner they needed to turn their strong will into determination. The team's 'never give up' attitude helped us accomplish things on and off the field. We look forward to many more wins in the future seasons, and thank the seniors for all that they have done throughout their years at Freeport.





Row 1: Jon Kurtz, Tyler Cochran, Jaison LaCava, Greg Napierkowski, Justin Ross Row 2: Adam Katic, Clint Braden, Matt Gaydos, Adam Bauman, Craig Kasunic

9th Grade Row 1: Ian Kaminski, Ryan Zubrin, John Marty, Brad Naedele, Nick Deel, Luke Turner Row 2: Cody Betush, Sam Steel, Jordan Kemp, Kiel Conjack, Kory Micholas, Zack Laux, Cody Weibel Row 3: Coach Valenti, Jake Lassinger, Mike McGuire, Chris Plocki, Sean Bollinger, Nathan Kurtz. Coach Stivensen





# rock solid POSITIVE

by jake lassinger & nathan kurtz

This year's 2001-2002 9th grade football team had a fairly successful season finishing at 5-2. Prior to the season maybe people were skeptical about the type of season we would endure. The early part of the season proved the type of team we would have this year. We began by beating high caliber teams. Our defense

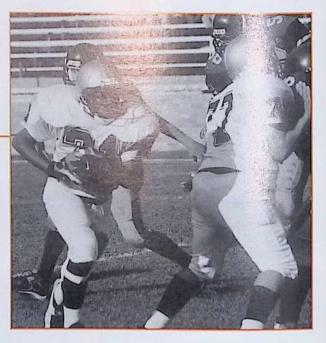
We felt this season as a whole to be optimistic.

was elite, allowing only a slim 2 points per game and a mere 14 points all season. Our only two losses were decided by a total of 8 points.

It wasn't only our rock solid defense that led us to victory. Our very strong offensive running game along with our threatening passing

game, consisting of talented receivers and a quarterback that would deliver the ball on the spot, put points on the board.

We felt this season as a whole to be optimistic. We can all reflect back on the success of this year and think positively on the future of Freeport football.



Looking ahead, Jordan Kemp, freshman, keeps the ball in tight as he runs using a great block from #77, Mike McGuire, freshman. Even though the defense was tough, the boys still worked hard to get the job done right on offense.

Hearts race with excitement as Nathan Kurtz, freshman, scores a touchdown for the jackets. He swears, "After crossing the line going to the end-zone feels great, but nothing feels better than winning the game in the

9th Grade	Us	Them
Apollo	22	0
Mars	14	0
East Allegheny	0	6
Deer Lakes	46	6
Jeanette	6	8
Ford City	12	0
North Catholic	6	0

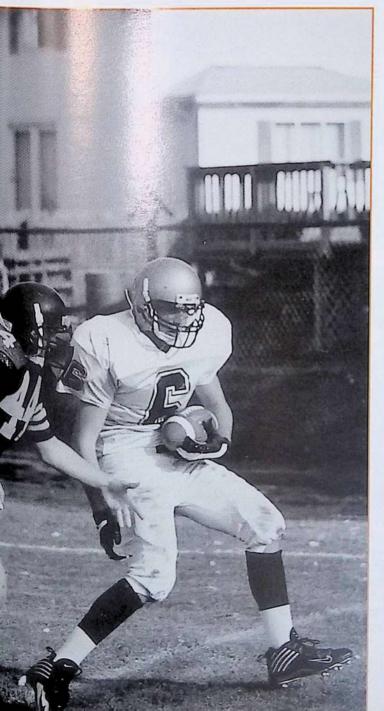
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It's a footrace with Shawn Bialkowski, sophomore, hoping to gain some ground during the JV game. "JV games help players with the transition from 9th grade football to Freeport Yellowjacket Varsity Football," he says.



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Attempting a carry, sophomore Terrell Kemp, playing at quarterback buzzes his way forward as he makes progress to the end-zone. He remembers, "The funniest moment at practice this year was when Dennis kicked since the kicker couldn't show up. He kicked the ball and wailed someone right in the butt."

Cleats kicking the ground as Chris Plocki, freshman, chases after an opponent for a tackle. "Even though it was hard, the first week of conditioning broke us in and had us ready to run," he decides.

# great times THINGS TO REMEMBER

by kirsten almquist & maria pollino

"I was excited to see how many players there were on the field for the first day of practice," Coach Mike Kleckner commented on the number of boys who participated on the 7th and 8th grade football team. Coaching along with Kevin Smetak and Kerry O'Donnell, the Freeport Junior High football team worked hard and began to learn about being a Yellowjacket. Jared

I will always remember walking out onto the field with the other captains with our elbows linked together.

a.j. vidra

into the room.

Malcolm and A.J. Vidra permanently captained the team and the coaches used rotating captains for the third captain each game based on how players practiced during the week.

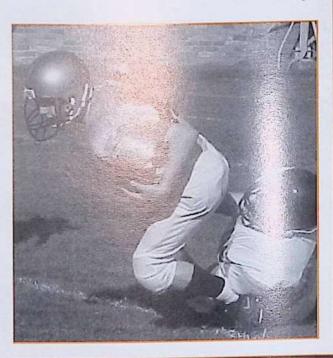
When asked about his season. A.J. remarked, "It was a great season and I will always remember walking out onto the field with the other captains with our elbows linked together." A.J. also laughed and said that his funniest memory of the season was when their football team was still in the locker room and the Varsity Girls' soccer team walked

Their season record was 3-4 and the coaches felt

the team put a lot of hard work into the season.

Unstoppable A.J. Vidra, 8th grader, playing tail back flies down the field. Vidra feels, "One of my favorite games would have to be the game against Leechburg because we all played together and did well."

Getting down and dirty, Joe Palmiere, 8th grader, gets tackled after taking a long run down Freeport's home field during their win against Apollo Ridge.





Row 1: Braden McQueen, James Barnes, Shawn Visnesky, Kellen Cromie, Timmy Mathews, Corey Mrozinski, Moses Schall, George Hyek, Brian Shick, Ryan Fogarty, Gary Morrison, Sean Mientus Row 2: Tyler Hill, Greg Bergstrom, John Deal, Matt Caripolti, Brady Sherrieb, Joe Palmiere, Daniel Edwards, Andrew Smith, Nathan Kotecki, Matthew Smith, Thomas Ferrante, Paul Schmidt Row 3: David O'Connor, James Beggs, Cory Hughes, Jesse Snyder, Jared Malcom, Chad Baker, Joe Krowsoski, Ryan Kirchner, Scott Smith, Clayton Holbein Row 4: Coach Kleckner, Matt Hayden, Kyle Friend, John Paul Samay, A.J. Vidra, Nick Krchnavy, Gary Patz, Kenneth Scovern, Kevin Turner, Joshua James, Tim Westendorf, Coach Smetak, Coach





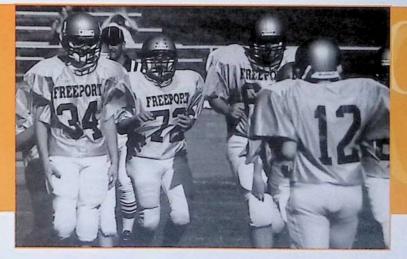


Scoring a touchdown, Brady Sherrieb, 7th grader, helps contribute to a win. "When I see the white line of the endzone, I feel thankful I made it without fumbling the ball," comments Sherrieb. The team motto was, "You can rumble and you can stumble but please do not fumble."

Taking him down, defensive tailback, Joe Palmiere, 8th grader, tackles an Apollo Viking with the help of teammates, #64, Andrew Smith, and #16, Sean Mientus, also 8th graders.



	Us	Them
Apollo	6	0
Mars	6	25
Burrell	22	38
Valley	24	22
Hampton	6	40
Knoch	14	28
Leechburg	36	20



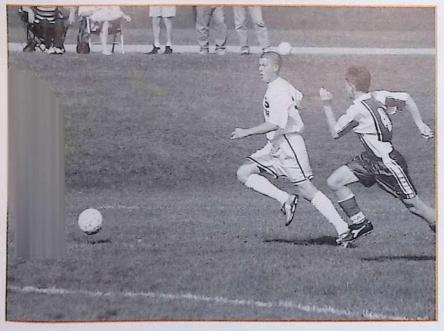
Pumping Up A.J. Vidra, Jesse Snyder, Gary Patz, Randy Bollinger, and Chad Baker, all 8th graders, get ready for the next play. "The best part of the game of football is getting to knock people over," says Snyder, #72.

Row 1: Jason Hladney, Zachary Weber, Michael Edmunds, Josh Hess, Devin Smith, Eric Yagoda, Will Nulph Row 2: Wayne Eckert, Andrew Laux, Brandon Showers, Scott Lowry, Matt Bollinger, Mark Vigliotti, Kris Kramer, Adam Shilling Row 3: Paul Cline, Ray Toborkey, Tom Christy, Scott Kallner, Tim Tomayko, Tyler Cochran, Shawn Hladney, Coach McGrady

# 2002

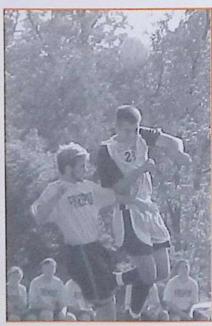


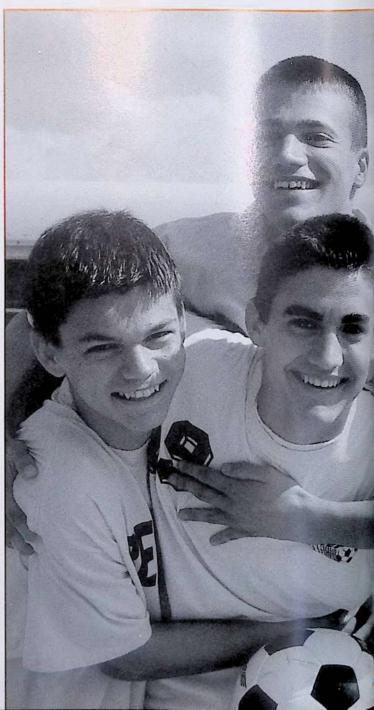
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	Shady Side	1	4
	Burrell	2	3
	St. Joseph	5	2
	Mars	2	1
	Kittanning	2	1
	Elderton	5	1
	Valley	1	1
-	Highlands	1	4
n	Knoch	1	6
15	Deer Lakes	2	3
men :	Shady Side	2	3
2	Mohawk	8	1
3	Mars	2	5
-	Kittanning	1	2
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	Valley	3	1
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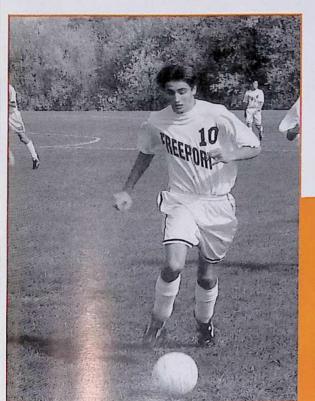


Sheer speed along with fast footwork is what Tyler Cochran, senior, uses to make fools out of the other team. He laughes when he remembers, "Tim making fun of Coach McGrady on the bus especially on the way home from the Deer Lakes game."

Getting up, Adam Shilling, senior, flies up into the air going for the header. In a tough game against Highlands, "winning every 50-50 ball was crucial," he says.

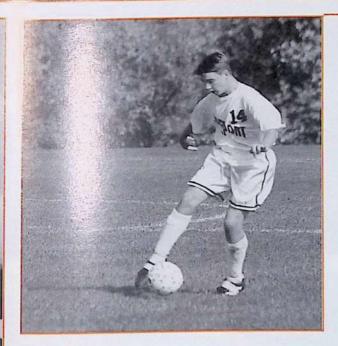






The last shot as a yellowjacket came for these seniors, Adam Shilling, Ray Toborkey, Tyler Cochran, and Paul Cline, who had a real love for soccer. Ray who recently returned to playing after a few years off, said, "I will never forget the Mars game when I scored the go ahead goal giving us the lead. We played the toughest game that night under the lights."





### Taking the ball, Matt Bollinger, junior, dribbles up the field. He had more fun this year as a field player moving from his position at goalie. He says "It was a lot less pressure since the game didn't rely completely on me. My ballwork came back quicker than I expected."

Joined together, Tim Tomayko, sophomore, and Andy Laux, junior, use Scott Kallner, junior, for support. Being a captain as a junior, Scott says,"It was tough to keep cool at all times like when I had to calm Paul down so he didn't go after a ref who had made a bad call at one of our home games."

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# new hopes BIG DREAMS

by paul cline

It was a whole new year with new hopes and big dreams. With nine seniors leaving there were a lot of holes to be filled. But we didn't let that get to us. Thanks to Mr. McGrady we had a lot of new faces and that helped us a lot.

Everyone asked themselves, with four seniors

was it possible to get back to the playoffs? The team played their hearts out untill the very last game. We were in the hunt for the playoffs for three fourths of the season. We lost a couple of games that we should have won but that is how it goes some times.

We still had some good times though, such as the Mars game when we played at home under the lights. We played till the very last minute

and we ended up winning 3-2. Mars was the second place team at the time.

This year was also the first year that the parents were asked to leave the field. Later that game Coach McGrady was also asked to leave. That was Coach McGrady's only red card the whole season. Although it wasn't the best season it was all worth it.

Good luck to the boys next year.

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A swift move to her left, made by senior Becky Danner, as she dribbles the ball towards a defender. "The skill level was high this year from freshman to senior," she thought.

Driving together towards success, some of the girls would ride down to some home games in Joelle's big brown van. She laughes,"We'd take turns driving sometimes. It was always an experience with the noises, no speedometer, smells that we shouldn't smell, when the muffler exploded on Mimi, and the board fell out and we thought we broke it."









Varsity Row 1: Olivia Hess, Jackie Schaefers, Heather Tomayko, Jerrica Boroski, April Kabay, Becky Danner Row 2: Lacy Cochran, Leah Zeidler, Joelle Ambrose, Amanda Thiry, Autumn Hawk, Amber Cramer, Nikki Woitas Row 3: Erica Warriner, Lindsey Mills, Bethany Almquist, Maria Lutz, Kristen DeLibero, Coach Medwig

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	Carrick	5	0
5	Vincentian	2	2
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)	Riverview	3	2
-	Mars	1	2
_	Burrell	5	0
	Springdale	2	3
	Vincentian	2	2
	Deer Lakes	2	0
	Highlands	4	0
	Riverview	1	2
	Kiski	5	2
	Burrell	8	0
	Knoch	6	0
	South Park	1	6-playoff

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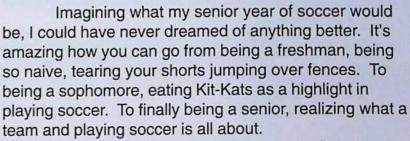
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# talented YEAR OF FIRSTS

by becky danner

Arms streched as Joelle Ambrose performs one of her amazingly long throw-ins. She felt that "patience was the key to our team this year, along with the talent and our close friendships on and off the field."

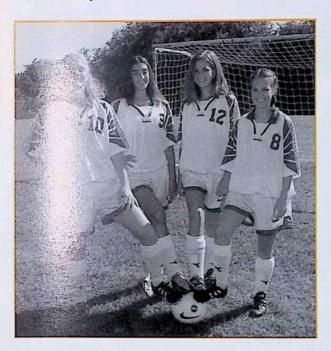
Wide smiles on these seniors faces, Joelle Ambrose, Erica Warriner, Kristen DeLibero, and Becky Danner. Kristen advises, "You can do anything you want if you work hard enought for it. It was awesome to be a senior, having made it to the playoffs for the first time in Freeport Girls' Soccer history."

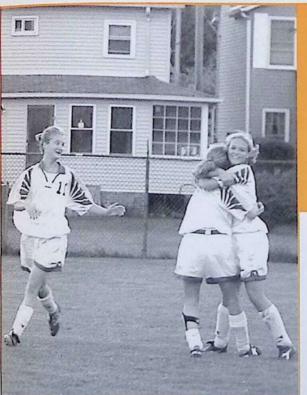


It was a great feeling beating Shady Side Academy, one of our toughest competitors, 4-1 on our opening

We were finally able to make ourselves known. night. We all had it all together as a team that night. This year was definitely a "year of firsts" for Freeport Girls' soccer. Whether it was making history by making it to the playoffs, to tieing Mars on their senior night, to beating Shady Side twice, we were finally able to make ourselves known.

We have several talented players on our team. The freshman were very beneficial to our team this season, and will probably be some of the best in the region before they graduate. I hope that Freeport Girls' soccer can produce the same results next season and even better and hopefully win a section title. I would love nothing more than to see Mars stripped of their title for once, and for Springdale to realize that Freeport is the better team. Best of luck next year!





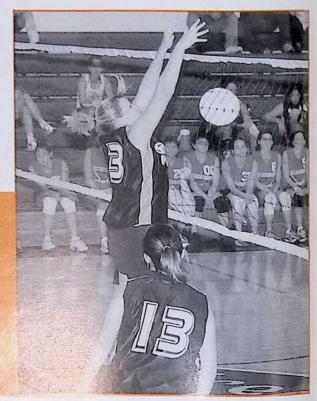


JV Row 1: Kori Schall, Melanie Puebla, Olivia Hess, Keirrie Clark Row 2: Jackie Schaefers, Jerrica Boroski, Leah Zeidler, Nikki Woitas, April Kabay Row 3: Coach Medwig, Lori DeLibero, Nadine Bollinger, Amber Cramer, Maria Lutz, Mimi Sypulski

Row 1: Michelle Micklow, Jennifer Fair, Kelly Wurmb, Allison Kerr, Karli Buday, Shannon Reeseman, Jessica Davis Row 2: Sara Fleming, Mindy Wells, Mindy Seagriff, Rachel Buday, Renee Colpo, Courtney Cummings, Amanda Beresik Row 3: Coach Tony Corso, Emily Greenhill, Jennifer DeSalvo, Krystin Lowers, Ashley Himes, Michelle Vascik, Coach Grasha







# hard spikes LOW DIGGS

by rachel buday

The volleyball season was kicked off at Clarion camp when Kelli Wurmb, Mindy Wells, and Mindy Seagriff experienced the "hall Nazis," since they always

Future advice??? Never look at Mr. Grasha after a bad play and "go for the jugular!"

rachel buday

got caught in the halls after curfew enjoying some team bonding. While the team's only fear may have been hall monitors, hard driven spikes and low diggs didn't seem to bother them. Direct proof is when the Freeport girls rocked the section on their own senior night by stomping on the undefeated Knoch Knights, leaving the girls with the superior section record of 7-3.

Preparing for the playoffs against Blackhawk was tough, fun and

exciting. Some of the team's favorite memories were from watching Kelli catch gummi bears while sitting on pizza, Vascik fogetting to jump on a spike, and to my own contagious bouncing laugh in the "Ha Ha" game.

Future advice??? Never look at Mr. Grasha after a bad play and "go for the jugular!"



In the moment, two of the team's seniors, Kelli Wurmb and Rachel Buday, enjoy their evening after winning the match against nearby rival Knoch.

Hand in hand, the team congratulates each other as they prepare for the next match.

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Seniors, Mindy Seagriff, Mindy Wells, Kelli Wurmb, and Rachel Buday aren't going to forget playing Freeport volleyball anytime soon. This season was especially unforget-table for Kelli Wurmb. "I can easily visualize the game against Knoch when I dove for a ball. We were all playing so intense that game and Michelle and I dove into each other both going for the ball. I broke my wrist and ended up with a cast for awhile," she remembers.



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Getting on the floor, the team gets on the same level, literally, for a pre-game talk. Some other rituals are the chants that each senior has and the ace dance that was taught to them at volleyball camp this summer.

Complete concentration is written on, sophomore Michelle Vascik's face as she bumps the ball during the warm-up. "I love volleyball because it's a relaxed sport that's fun. There's less pressure so you can pay more attention to playing the game instead of worrying about mistakes," she says.

# fishy ideas MANY MOMENTS

by coach jen grego

Throughout the season there were many unforgettable moments. When the girls won their first game of the season was probably the most memorable moment. Also for some reason or another, Katelyn Macurdy ALMOST pantsed the coach during a practice

And you can never forget the "fish game," right girls?

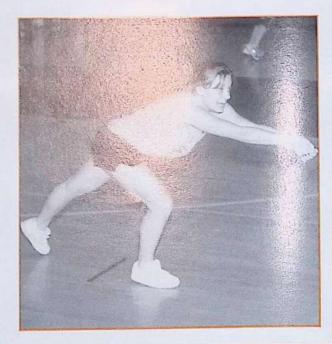
giving the girls lots of laughes. The bus rides to and from games with cheers and singing, singing, singing. The bus rides were never quiet. And you can never forget the "fish game", right girls? Also the never-ending questions to the coach, "How tall are you now, Coach?" or "Did you grow at all yet?" Those are just a few of the

many moments that will always be remembered from the season.

The team had a great season with every girl working hard. The team ended with a solid season record of 4-2. Throughout the whole season, the girls learned a lot of different skills and will have a lot of very happy memories of their Junior High volleyball career to look back on.

Watch out! Eighth grader Stephanie Leslie is about to give the opposing team a lesson on smack serving.

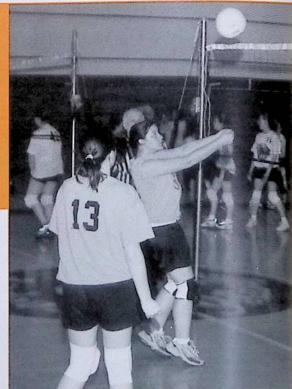
Stretching out to save the ball, eigth grader Lauren Morrison with a smile on her face refuses to let the other team score a point.

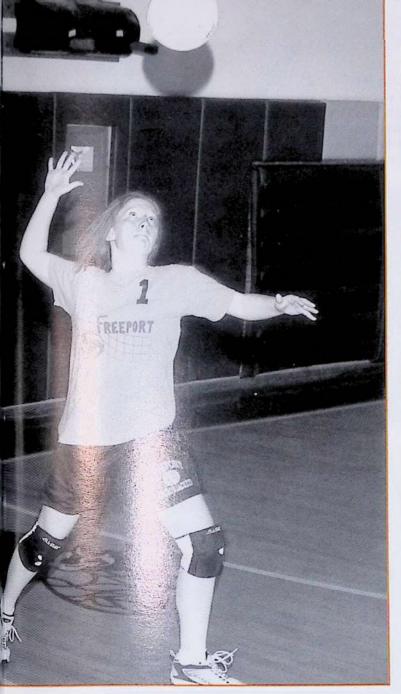


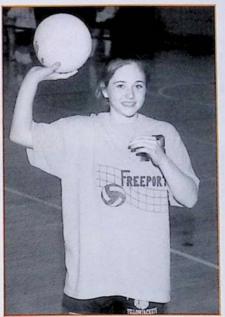




Row 1: Lauren Morrison, Lystina Kabay, Carly Kinter, Nia Lafferty, Kellie Cataldi, Sara Ostrowski Row 2: Amanda Jordan, Stephanie Leslie, Jessika DiGiorgio, Maurielle Blake, Katelyn Macurdy, Jessica Klaput Row 3: Coach Jen Grego, Rachel Machinak, Dana Turley, Marisa DeSalvo, Kelly Acre, Lauren Palko, Coach B.J.







Warming up seventh grader Sara Ostroski takes a second to pose for the camera with the volleyball. Ostroski described her volleyball team as "WOW!"

Good sports the team shakes hands with their opposition.
Lystina Kabay, related her funniest memory of the season, "During a practice when Marissa DeSalvo and Katelyn Macurdy both dove for a ball and collided with a KABOOM!"



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Elderton	2	0	0
West Shamokin	1	2	C
Springdale	2	0	S
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Loud and proud! After a group chant of "ANTICIPATE!" the Freeport Junior HIgh volleyball team prepared to take the court and hopefully a win.

Row 1: Coach Panach, Jon Trenski, Nate Arvay, Greg Brucker, Bill Geisler, Ryan Janoski, Troy Barker, Coach Fair Row 2: Steve Kerr, Jason Bubb, Ryan Fuhrman, Joe Woodhall, Jason Wetzel, Mike Hanna, Eugene Mennow, Adam Isenberg, Joe Musloe Row 3: Aaron Staricek, Matt Krchnak, Jacob Perdeus, Michael Barch, Joe Barch, Rory Park, Clint Park, Shane Sarver



	Us	Them
Kittanning	213	205
Knoch	212	201
Ford City	209	196
Burrell	206	209
Valley	194	219
W. Shamokin	194	269
Penn Hills	214	225
St. Joseph	220	224
Jeanette	193	257
Riverview	202	221
Highlands	215	216
Ford City	207	203
Mars	205	204
Deer Lakes	225	230
Burrell	217	212
W. Shamokin	202	237
St. Joseph	200	250
Piverview	245	263

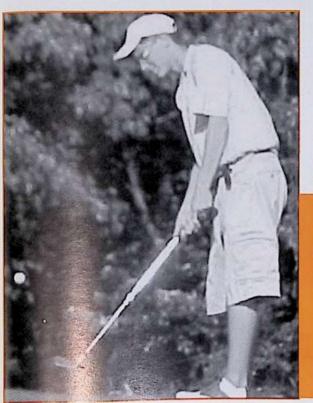


Getting down, Bill Geisler, sophomore, lowers to the level of the ball for a better look . Bill comments, "Golf is a different sport because it has a team atmosphere with individual competition. You can meet people from different schools and get to know them as you play."

Admiring the sport, Aaron Staricek, sophomore, holds the flag at the hole for a teammate because he knows that it takes, "lots of concentration and a special touch to make the right putt."







Leading together, Jon Trenski, junior, Nate Arvay, and Ryan Janoski, seniors, were captains this year. Nate enjoyed playing especially since they were all so close and hung out together. Ryan's advice to next years team is, "Have fun, good luck, and Altoids forever."





### Moving along, Ryan Furhman, sophomore, and Matt Krchnak, freshman, follow junior, Rory Park to the next hole. Ryan says, "The hardest part of golfing for me is judging a putt and I think I was able to improve this year."

Swinging for success, Nate Arvay, senior, eyes up the ball with the experience of a player who has enjoyed the game for some time now.

# huge effort CLOSE GAMES

by nate arvay

The Freeport Golf Team started with the optional summer program where the team had to wake up and be at the golf course by 7:30 a.m. After this they had tryouts to name the varsity and junior varsity teams. This season the varsity team finished third in the section behind Ford City and Burrell. They had a couple of close matches with both teams. They lost twice to Ford City, but the one at home was a heartbreaker. The team had

With Varsity lettermen Greg Brucker on the team. who wouldn't have fun?

nate arvay

worked so hard but they lost by a matter of only a few strokes, which would have put the team in the playoffs. They also could have made the playoffs with a victory at Burrell, but fell short by a couple of strokes. Mr. Panach escaped having to put on a ladies dress and jump into the lake this year. The bright side of the season was when the three captains, Nate Arvay,

Ryan Janoski, and Jon Trenski qualified in the first round of WPIAL individuals in the pouring down rain. The team was disappointed when they didn't get to go to the playoffs but overall they had fun. With Varsity letterman Greg Brucker on the team, who wouldn't have fun? Some fun moments include the bus rides from the away matches, where they would play the bag game on the handicap bus. They would also just hang out, pick on the freshman, and chew "Altoids."

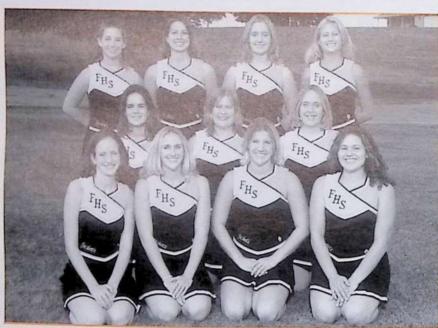
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Soaring spirit from the JV cheerleading squad during the Christmas tournament. Diana Hafera, sophomore, comes down from a mount. The others hold their arms up in preparation to catch her.

### Varsity

Row 1: Sarah Goodman, Nikki Colpo, Lindsay Fuhrer, Alicia Bitterice Row 2: Amanda Ganster, Angela Ruhl, Autumn Wyant Row 3: Brianna Sukala, Sara Snyder, Marissa Leslie. Lauren Query









### Junior Varsity

Row 1: Megan Sutton, Mandy Oertel, Heather Fair Row 2: Bethany Krowsoski, Lauren Potosky, Sara McCrea, Diana Hafera Row 3: Roseanne Meyer, Allison Fleischer, Jessica Visnesky

### **UCA All-Stars**

Varsity

Sarah Goodman Angela Ruhl Sara Snyder

JV

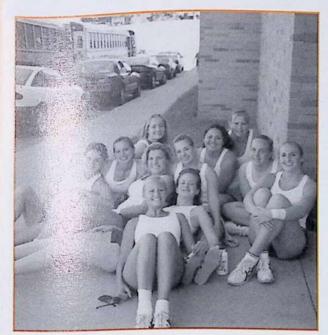
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Bethany Krowsoski Roseanne Meyer

Staying together as close friends helped the cheerleaders this year stay in step during routines amd chants. The Varsity girls have just finished getting ready at Sara's house for a home game this season.

Rain or shine, the girls were always ready to cheer the Yellow Jackets on to victory. The Varsity girls take a break from summer sessions in the record breaking humidity. They learned new chants and dances for the upcoming football season.



# endless hours | HEARTY SPIRIT

### by autumn wyant

If you want to know what true Freeport Pride is, just look to the 11 senior girls that made up the Varsity cheerleading squad this year.

The hard work and dedication started off with summer practices, aerobic classes, and the interminable week of camp and double sessions. Along with the ever popular "Ships and Sailors" and learning how to 'hit the deck' and 'grab your life preserver' these girls spent every day learning new dances, cheers, and chants.

Football season came, along with cheering in the mud, rain, and even snow. However, the harsh conditions never dampened these girls' spirits; it just added to the fun. They stuck together and cheered their hearts out, with some help from Mrs.

Davies when they needed a little straightening out. Endless hours were spent in the paint room painting senior house signs, football run-throughs, and signs for the gym, which were the best in years.

Basketball season was replete with fun and excitement. The 20-0 season was a dream come true giving the girls plenty to cheer about. The cheers heard echoing in the gym from both the Davies Crazies and

the cheerleaders truly showed opponents that, "We're from Freeport, couldn't be prouder!" Talks, games, and singing could always be found at the back of the bus with each ride ending with the, "C-I-T-G-O, Citgo, Citgo, Citgo," chant.

Whether it be cheering for the Jackets on the field or court, painting signs in the paint room, laughing together at a sleepover, or singing, "Build Me Up Buttercup" for the last time as a Freeport Cheerleader, these girls have always stuck together sharing a friendship that will never end.





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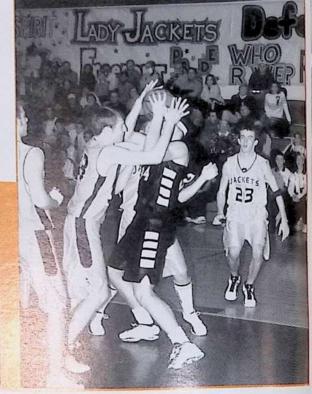
Row 1: Nicole Staricek Row 2: Alyssa Walker, Elizabeth Elliott, Ashly Wetzel, Emily Morrison Row 3: Stephanie Walters. Ashley Noble, Stacy Holley, Brianne Fogarty, Hillary Doerfler

Varsity

Row 1: Coach Stack, Dave Bauman, Jeremiah Huth, Kevin Vascik, Cory Weibel, Josh Stover, Brent Ferko, Coach Greiser Row 2: Coach Beale, Calvin Carter, Josh Virag, Mike Acre, Coach Davies, Adam Bauman, Craig Kasunic, Paul Hafera, Coach Davies, Jr.







# amazing season | | DEFE

by jeremiah huth

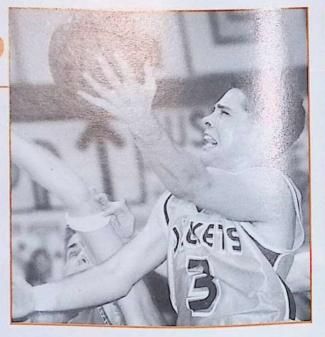
In one word I could sum up our season: Amazing. Our team had an UNDEFEATED season, finishing with a 20-0 record. We also captured the first Section title in 30 years for Freeport. We all knew that we could achieve anything, because each of us had confindence in ourselves, our team and our coaches. Our motto, "United We Stand," summed up our team's mindset. We all were individuals contributing to something greater than our-

selves. When no one cares about personal accomplishments, there is no limit to the things you can accomplish.

"...a tight-knit group so we shared a lot of great times..."

We were a very tight-knit group so we shared a lot of great times during the season. Practices were always fun. The funniest things that happened this year were jokes made by Coach Davies, and his son Damien

Davies (an assistant coach), with Coach Beale occasionally joining in on the jokes. A couple words/phrases that we all shared were "Teamroom" and "how we always sang about 'what we wanted' before games". The best team rituals we had were "Saturday parking lot fieldtrips", our "assigned seats", and "the back of the bus." This season was filled with too many memories to even begin to explain. The seniors wish the rest of the team continued success in the future.



Over the top, senior Adam Bauman puts up another shot pushing through two Jeannette defenders attempting to double

Above the rest, Craig Kasunic, senior, gets backboard after shooting a lay-up as teammate Mike Acre, senior, watches ready for a rebound.

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THE PARTY	Us	Them	
Knoch	53	41	
Shady Side	67	59	
Summit Academy	77	63	
Kittanning	75	42	
Apollo Ridge	57	53	
Jeannette	63	57	
Greensburg CC	60	55	
Elderton	69	41	
Springdale	77	48	
Knoch	59	51	-
West Shamokin	88	56	U
Leechburg	83	42	(II)
Ford City	73	36	
Apollo Ridge	65	56	-
Jeannette	68	59	0
Greensburg CC	60	57	C
Elderton	63	40	(n)
West Shamokin	74	58	-
Leechburg	64	62	0
Ford City	89	59	
South Fayette	44	67-playoff	-
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United together, teammates congratulated Adam Bauman on his 1,000 point in his career for Freeport. He scored it with a free throw in the 4th quarter with only 26 seconds remaining to add to the 65-56 win against Apollo Ridge.



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Chasing down the Leechburg ball handler, senior Jeremiah Huth keeps his eye on the ball as he works hard to stay low on defense. Coach Davies says, "Huth is relentless."

Double zero is our hero! -the cry heard this year from the
stands about senior Mike Acre.
At 6-foot-4, he attempts to block
an Apollo Ridge player going up
for a shot.

# lessons learned BASELINE TO BASELINE

by jake lassinger, nate kurtz, & kiel conjack

The 2001-2002 season was a rather good season for the 9th grade basketball team. We started out a little rough with a losing record. But midway through the season, before we were ready to go through the second half of the season, we decided to set a goal. The goal was to go 7-0 through the second half. Heading into our last game, we were 6-0 in the second half of the season.

"...the other teams had us outsized, but rarely were we outskilled."

We were facing the Deer Lakes Lancers, which we had lost to in the first half of the season. The game was tough from the start and so close that it ended up in overtime with Deer Lakes taking a win. It was a lesson to our team this year. We saw that our wins were earned from smart coaching, good offensive force, and a

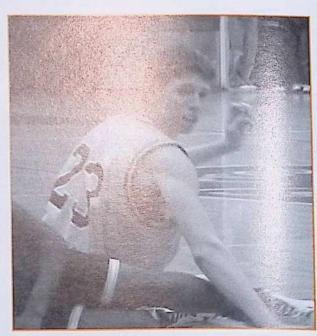
defense that worked from baseline to baseline.

Almost every time we lost, it was because we didn't play to our ability. A lot of games the other teams had us outsized, but rarely were we outskilled. So, we learned the answer to winning a game is playing to the best of our ability. As we work on doing that consistently, our record will improve.

In all, the 9th grade boys basketball team had a good season and we hope to improve greatly as JV and Varsity players next year.

Secret Shot...no. Freshman, Carl Bowser says the key to his jump shot is, "practicing every day. To shoot well inside the paint or out, you have to have control of the ball when there are defenders on you."

Doing what it takes, during a JV game, Brent Ferko, sophomore, gets on the floor after a loose ball. He says, "You never know how important each possession is. By hustling after the ball, we further intimidate the other team because they realize why we pride ourselves on being one of the most conditioned teams."

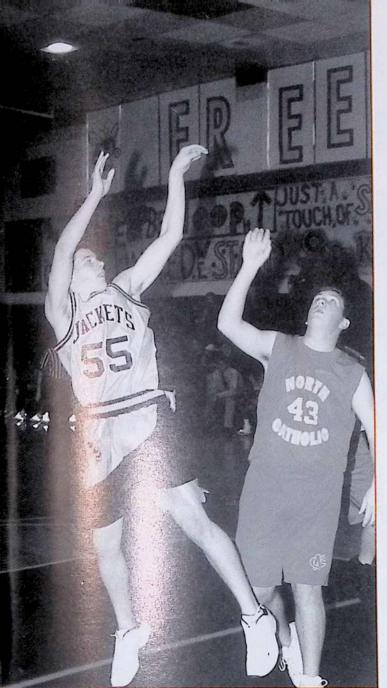


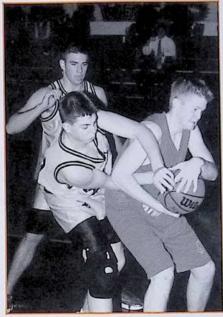


Junior Varsity

Row 1: Coach Stack, Andy Laux, Mike Huth, Adam Foust, Adam Isenberg, Coach Greiser Row 2: Coach Beale, Dave Brown, Steven Cooper, Charlie Chelecki, Chris Plocki, Jake Scott, Coach Davies, Jr.

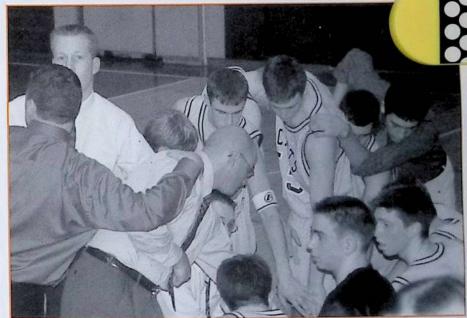






Getting a hand on the ball, lan Kaminski, freshman, struggles to tie up his opponent. "For a forward, I'm short," he says. So he plays scrappy and works to create turnovers. Coach McGrady told me, "Playing solid defense will let you win the battle over size."

Leaning on shoulders, the JV boys' team swarms together during a timeout to learn a quick play. Michael Huth, junior, remembers when they huddled and decided to run a play with an 'oop to Ferko for the dunk. "He missed, but he got real high and almost put it down."



	JV	Us	The	em
	Knoch	53	41	
	Shady Side	67	59	
	Summit Academy	77	63	
	Kittanning	75	42	
	Apollo Ridge	57	53	
	Jeannette	63	57	
	Greensburg CC	60	55	
	Elderton	69	41	
	Springdale	77	48	
	Knoch	59	51	
	West Shamokin	88	56	
	Leechburg	83	42	
	Ford City	73	36	
	Apollo Ridge	65	56	
	Jeannette	68	59	
	Greensburg CC	60	57	
	Elderton	63	40	
9	West Shamokin	74	58	
9	Leechburg	64	62	
0	Ford City	89	59	
0	9th Grade Record	l: 10-9		



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Row 1: Zack Laux, Cody Weibel, Josh Korbeck Row 2: Kiel Conjack, Matt Krchnak, Brad Naedele, Tim Mackowski, Ryan Burlett, Jake Lassinger Row 3: Coach McGrady, Shane Sarver, Ian Kaminski, Jake Perdeus, Carl Bowser, Nate Kurtz

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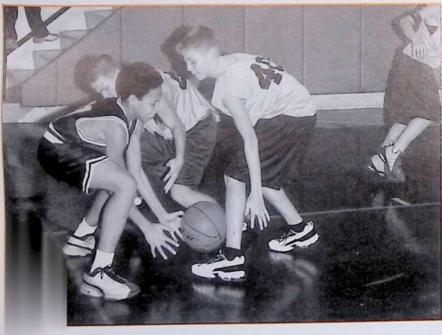
### 8th Grade

Row 1: Sean Mientus, Joe Palmiere, Justin Sukala, Tom Ferrante, Matt Wilson, Jared Pogas, Craig Holley, Gary Morrison Row 2: Russ Greenfield, Aaron Dunmyre, John Shuster, Dan Wesolosky, Jeremy Gugino, Jarred Malcolm, Chad Baker, Tyler Hawk Row 3: Coach Yard, Matt Kaminski, Craig Bonitsky, A.J. Vidra, Nick Rutkoski, Brandon Dunmyre, Chris Czapski, Kyle Friend, Coach Dell



8th Grad	le	Us	Them
Mars		29	30
Knoch		14	54
Highland	is	22	35
Apollo R		39	33
Kittannin		17	52
West Sh	_	41	27
Leechbu	ırq	25	39
Springda		20	37
Elderton		52	16
Mars		26	49
Ford Cit	V	39	25
Apollo R		33	25
Kittannir		37	35
West Sh	0	24	25
Leechbu		40	55
Highland		14	53
Springda		17	46
Elderton		62	35
Ford Cit		49	37

7th Grade Record: 17-0-0 Section III Champs

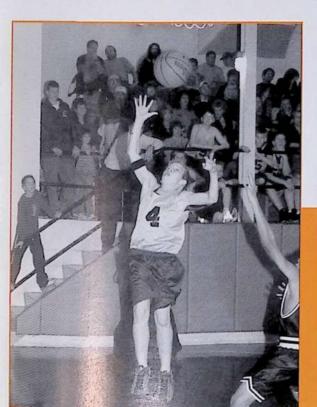


Loose Ball! Jim Meyer and Tyler Huth, both 7th graders, work together as they wrestle to take the ball away from their opponent.

Rising above, 7th grader Tim Westendorf releases up high to avoid being blocked and added another two points in a victory against Knoch.



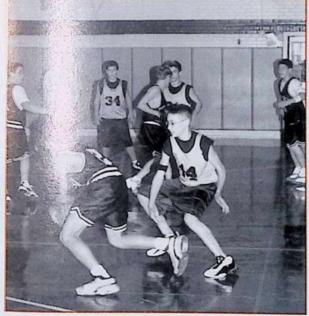




### 7th Grade

Row 1: Nathan Snyder, L.J. Gaston, Josh Baker, Nathan Gorski, Matt Giesler, Zane Bowser, Cory Chelko, Brad Gillespie Row 2: Jason Kurtiak, Tyler Huth, Josh Wade, Ryan Austin, Jim Meyer, Tyler Hill, Cory Massart, Chris Tagmyer, Andrew Kennihan, Mike Woitas Row 3: Coach Swiergol, Nathan Kotecki, Brady Sherrieb, Clayton Holbein, Ryan Kirchner, Sean Jack, J.P. Samay, James Young, Tim Westendorf, Brian Zimmerman, Adam Hill, Matt Caripolti, Corey Mrozinski, Bryan Hill





# practice pays ALL TH

by kirsten almquist & maria pollino

Practice pays off...That's what the 7th grade boys basketball team believed as they finished their awesome UNDEFEATED season. Everyone, including the audiences they attracted, believed that the 7th grade boys played as a team and it made all the difference.

"I think we played well together every game," says Brady

Sherrieb, who was the team's point guard. "We all had to contribute our own little part, but also play as a team to win."

"We are not a one-man team either," Matt Caripolti comments about their season and how they played. The 7th grade boys' team was an all-around, good team from their tough defense to their unstoppable offense.

The 7th grade boys' team was led by Coach Swiergol who was very dedicated

to improving and teaching skill.

Nate Kotecki commented that, "There was never a time when any player on the court from our team was standing around. We were always moving."

The 8th grade boys team finished with an 8-11 overall team record and 8-4 in the section. "We all had fun this year and we are looking forward to high school ball," comments John Shuster. They especially remember crushing Elderton. A.J Vidra says, "I will always remember that game and the 'ostrich' tattoo that brought us good luck!"

Beads of sweat pour down their faces as J.P. Samay, Matt Caripolti, Brady Sherrieb, and Nate Kotecki, all 7th graders. play tough defense. "Practice makes perfect when you play man-to-man," says Nate Kotecki.

Softly laying the ball up on the glass, Freeport's #35, Nick Rutkowski, 8th grader, explodes past two opponents for an easy bucket.

"I think we played well together every game..."

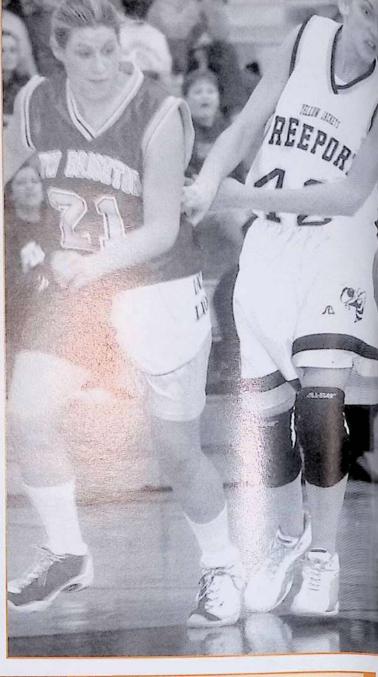
Nutz for Lutz, sophomore, Maria Lutz shooting in a threepoint competition during the Christmas tournament. She threw up the three's for the Lady Jackets this year.

### Knocked to the ground,

sophomore, Nicole Beggs gets fouled as she drove the lane against New Brighton. "When I enter the key, I don't think about it. I expect the contact and keep going," she says.









### Varsity

Row 1: Nicole Beggs, Heather Tomayko, Lacey Cochran, Shannon Reesman, Laney Pastoria Row 2: Autumn Hawk, Bethany Almquist, Anne Jeffries, Courtney Callas, Sara Kinter, Megan Prazenica Row 3: Coach Lorigan, Maria Lutz, Julie McCorkle, Michelle Vascik, Coach Saulle

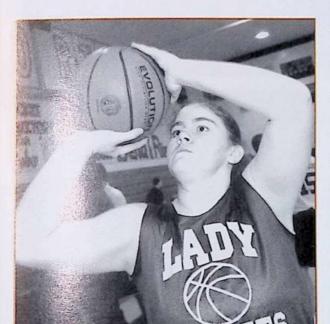
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	Apollo Ridge Jeannette	55 50	43 25
	Greensburg CC	36 35	68 51
	Karns City West Shamokin	63	43
	Leechburg Ford City	56 51	<b>3</b> 3
	New Brighton	62	54-playoff
	Serra Catholic	54	80-playoff

# overcoming obstacles | HEART AND EMOTION

by sara kinter

Fighting her way, Julie McCorkle struggles with the New Brighton player in the preliminary round of playoffs. With a win coming from way behind, the Jackets went on to the first round. "At halftime we picked it up. We knew we could do it because all season, "Julie said, "we believed in ourselves when no one else did."

Lone senior Sara Kinter puts up a foul shot during pre-season. As the only senior on the team, Sara still felt, "this year was the most memorable out of all of the years I've played. All of the girls seemed to get along and we had fun together."



The Freeport Varsity Girls' Basketball team had a very successful season this year, finishing third in the section and making the playoffs. This was due not only to hard work and skills, but also great attitude and teamwork.

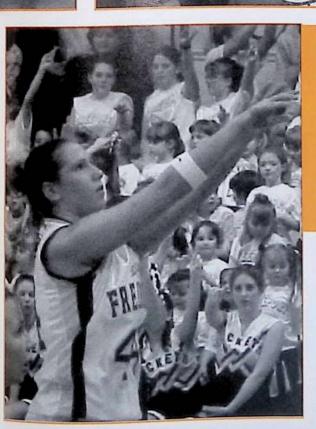
Playing two summer leagues and practice shooting at the park, the girls knew they had to work if they wanted to attain their goal of making the playoffs. Underneath this goal, the team wanted to earn respect and bring Lady Jacket Pride back to Freeport. Overcoming being such a young team was the main focus as the girls worked to "put a full game together."

The team played with a lot of heart and emotion,

working hard to keep with teams, or come from behind. Everyone knew their part and worked to contribute definitely the towards the team goal. "This was definitely the most fun I've had," says most fun I've senior captain Sara Kinter. Everything from hitting Coach Lorigan with a pie, to hiding Beth's chair, to going bowling

and getting new shoes...the team got along great."

All of these humorous moments, as well as beating section rivals Ford City and Apollo Ridge, topped with making the playoffs, have combined to make this year a successful and memorable one for the team.





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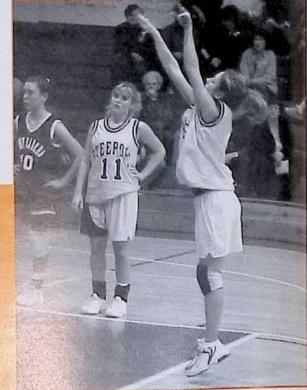
had."

Taking a timeout, the Lady Jackets had a few team events this year keeping the teammates close on and off the court. Along with a Christmas party, they had a team bowling night in January at the Plaza Lanes. Julie McCorkle, along with a few others, liked her neon bowling shoes so much she wore them to the banquet. The girls paused for a moment between games to get a group photo.

Junior Varsity

Row 1: Lauren Fuhrman, Jennifer Fair, Laura Garlitz, Olivia Hess, Laney Pastoria, Kerry Saunders Row 2: Nicole Woitas, Michelle Micklow, Christine Clowes, Lacey Cochran, Shannon Reesman Row 3: Coach Lorigan, Tiffany Nicholson, Anne Jeffries, Susan Weltner, Michelle Sypulski





## amazing ride B

by laura garlitz

The Freeport girls JV team for the 2001-02 season was a success. Not only did we do well with our record, but we also learned a lot. The year was a roller coaster ride full of lessons.

The head coach of the JV team was Mr. Lorigan. His enthusiastic personality and genuine love of basketball

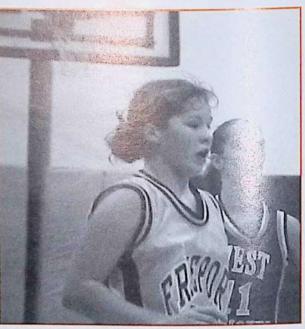
"...taught that defense was the key to basketball."

helped the team to achieve many things. We learned to be a team player, have good sportsmanship, to never give up, and to play our hardest. We were taught that defense was the key to basketball. To be a good basketball player, you can score all of the points you want, but if your opponent scores one more point than you,

you still lose. So you must work from buzzer to buzzer on defense and not give up any easy points.

We played with a lot of heart since we were rather small in size compared to JV teams of the recent past. We learned to go after every loose ball and never get outhustled, (especially by walking off the court for halftime or timeouts).

Overall, we just had a lot of fun and prepared ourselves for the big step up to Varsity Lady Jackets Basketball.



#### A surprised expression

crosses freshman Laney Pastoria's face during a quick transition to defense. "We played the best defense the second time we played Ford City and beat them. It was the last game of the season and a big win for us," she says.

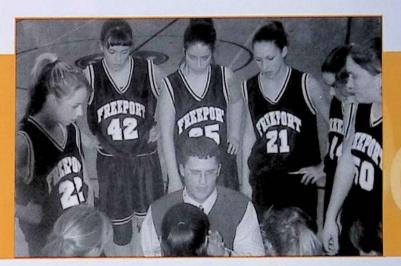
In triple threat position, Laura Garlitz, freshman, calmly holds the ball while under intensive defensive pressure as she waits for her teammates to get open.

9		Us	Them
	Knoch	29	32
	Highlands	45	25
9	Deer Lakes	38	25
0	Burrell	29	20
	Apollo Ridge	51	28
5	Jeannette	25	16
	Greensburg CC	17	46
	Elderton	41	22
	Butler	24	56
	Franklin	30	45
	West Shamokin	25	20
	Leechburg	40	20
	Ford City	37	46
	Mohawk	30	31
	Apollo Ridge	44	51
	Greensburg CC	25	47
	Kams City	33	38
	Elderton	48	23
	West Shamokin	40	27
	Ford City	47	40

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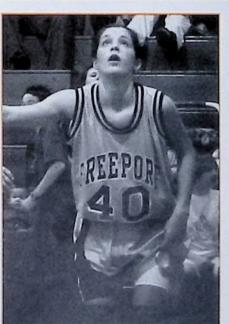
Time flies during a 30-second time out as Coach Lorigan talks to the girls. At this point they were losing, so he tells them to pick up the defensive intensity plus make sure they move their feet and not reach since they were picking up too many fouls.



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Players piling up as the JV girls dive for a loose ball in the game against West Shamokin. After the jump ball is called, Olivia Hess, freshmen, attempts to untangle herself.

Following the ball, freshman Susan Weltner reaches to find her opponent to box out for a rebound. She says, "My favorite memory of this season would be when Mr. Lorigan had to run a sprint while we drank our milkshakes."

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## coming together UNFORGETTABLE

by jessica rykaceski & kristen prazenica

The 7th grade girls' baskeball season started out with great expectations. As the season progressed, winning became secondary, replaced by teamwork and team spirit under the guidance of Coach Lorigan and Asst. Coach Miller. The team worked hard at practices and learned to play together while having a lot of fun. When it came to game time, each player was rotated fairly giving everyone an equal opportunity. Practices

> were challenging, yet worth it. Even though we might not have been the champion team, we worked as hard as we could and will never forget this year.

> Kristi DeFrancisis recalls, "My one memory in our season that is completely unforgettable was when I shot a great layup, but in the other team's basket." Following the regular season, the girls continued to play in a tournament team of 7th and 8th graders coached by Mr.

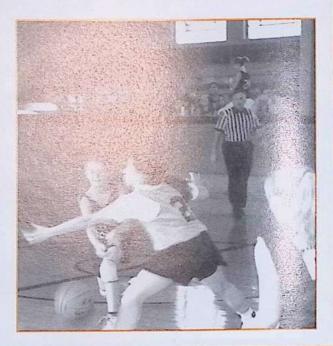
DeFrancisis. This allowed the girls to see opposition from other schools. The girls would like to thank the parents involved in the league for helping it be so successful and run so smoothly. This year's experiences are preparing the girls for future years as Lady Jackets.

The 8th grade team was a hardworking and dedicated team. From pro-sprints to singing oldies on the bus, Coach Grove and the girls will always have a lot of fond memories to remember. "I'll always remember Katelyn nearly getting into a fight with the other team," says Stephanie Leslie.

Being on the team wasn't all fun and games. The ladies practiced two hours a day, 5-6 days a week, getting ready for high school practice schedules. The winter league was a fun learning experience that extended the season for the 8th graders.

Perfect form is displayed by Carly Kinter, #25, 8th grader, as she shoots for two. Carly says, "I keep my eyes on the target," as she doesn't even give the Ford City defender a second glance.

Snapping a pass, Kirsten Almquist bounces the ball to Kellie Cataldi. Remembering, "That was a tough game with every possession counting. I was thinking, oh please let Cataldi catch the ball."

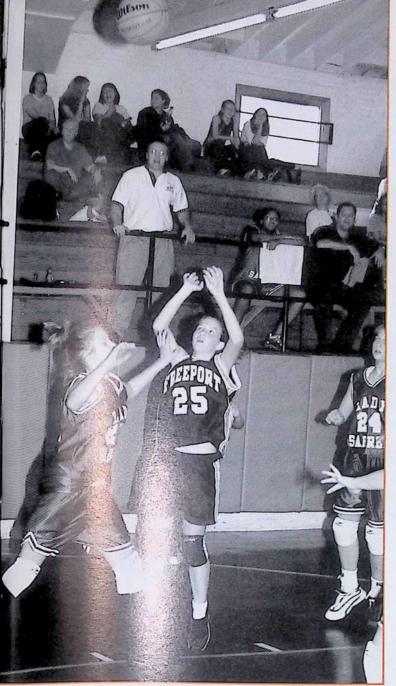






Row 1: Sara Ostrowski, Carly Kinter, Asti Isenberg Row 2: Channing Softko, Stephanie Leslie, Lynn Patterson Row 3: Katelyn Macurdy, Ashley Dejidas, Lauren DeMeno, Danielle Mohan, Emily Paskorz, Coach Ron Grove







Stretching arms over the defender, Lauren DeMeno takes a jump shot. She flies up as the Kittanning Wildcat defender hurries out to contest the shot.

Last minute pep talk by Coach Lorigan before the 7th grade girls went on the court to play Springdale. The girls listen as he reminds the players that, "Defense is the key, and get low in the stance," repeats Alyssa Conjack.



	Us	Them	
Deer Lakes	26	33	U
Highlands	25	15	0
Burrell	17	18	6
Valley	16	31	6
Apollo Ridge	16	48	U
Kittanning	14	31	0
Ford City	9	22	2
Deer Lakes	8	28	-
Highlands	16	18	
Burrell	15	19	
Valley	25	31	
Apollo Ridge	9	44	
Kittanning	17	20	
Ford City	18	31	
7th Grade Record: 7-9-0			



7th Grade

Row 1: Alyssa Conjack, Kirsten Almquist, Caitlin Rawlins, Jessica Klabnik, Kellie Cataldi, Anna Foust, Dana Huston Row 2: Rachel Gourley, Lauren Krchnak, Bethany Gent, Nia Lafferty, Maria Pollino, Kristen Prazenica Row 3: Coach Kirk Lorigan, Megan Doerfler, Stephanie Clowes, Kristi DeFrancisis, Jessica McKinney, Jessica Rykaceski, Karlee Kaminski, Ashley Stover

Varsity

Row 1: Derik Gaworski Row 2: Coach Hill, Chris Craft, Joe Musloe, Dustin Gaworski, Matt Bollinger, Jason Bubb, Jesse Wells, Mike Oertel, John Smith Row 3: Coach Plocki, Ryan Janoski, Ben Lowry, Scott Gallagher, Tom Christy, Nick DeCroo, Chris Plocki, Mike Bender, Rob Plocki, Troy Barker, Coach Bollinger

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		Us	Them
- 1	Deer Lakes	6	3
	Center	5	3
	Mars	6	9
	Westmont-Hilltop	4	3
	Somerset	3	5
	Quaker Valley	2	4
	Blackhawk	1	4
	Bishop McCort	2	4
	Mercyhurst	7	0
	Richland Cambria	4	3
	Forest Hills	6	1
	Johnstown	9	0
G)	Somerset	3	0
-	Conemaugh Valley	9	1
0	Westmont-Hilltop	4	3
25	Ferndale	15	0
	Deer Lakes	7	1
	Mars	4	3
	Forest Hills	4	0
	Quigley	6	3
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	Deer Lakes	6	2 Round 1
	Quaker Valley	6	2 Quarter
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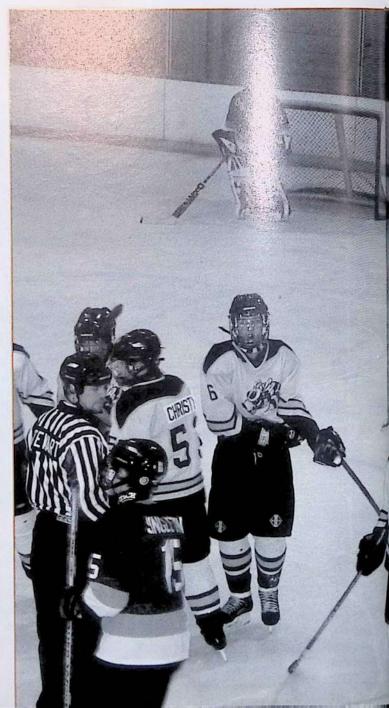


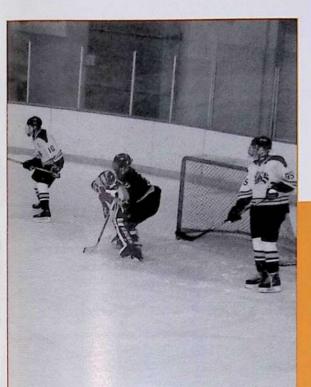
#### Splitting the defense

freshman Nick DeCroo uses smooth stick handling to get a clear shot on net. Although it was his first year on Varsity, Nick led the team in scoring.

Facing-off after another Jacket tally, junior, Mike Bender is ready for the referee to drop the puck.







7th, 8th, 9th Grade Team

Row 1: Dave Bonitsky, Beau Zach, Steyler Emhoff, Timmy Zauhmensky, Dale Grimm, Tommy Ferrante, Zach Hepler, Dustin Gaworski Row 2: Coach Ferrante, Cody Barker, Brian Zimmerman, Coach Hepler, Lance Bubash, Nick DeCroo, Chris Plocki, Jason Bubb, Bryant Hank, Coach Zack





## record set SUCCESSFI SEASON

by coach marty j bollinger

The 2001-2002 season has been a record setting season for the Yellow Jackets. There are many reason's why this year's hockey team has been as successful as they have.

Taking a hit Dustin Gaworski, freshman, fights hard against WestMont Hilltopper. Injured the first half of the season with a broken neck, his comeback was a crucial lift for the hockey team.

Celebrating after Chris Plocki, freshman, scored the final goal against Quigley in the last game of the regular season. He added to the Jackets win with the score of 6-3.

"...success in this season is the discipline of the team..."

One reason is the offensive scoring power of our forwards led by Mike Bender and Nick DeCroo. Secondly was our defense. Matt Bollinger and Scott Gallagher led in the physical play as Rob Plocki, Tom Christy, and Ryan Janoski led in the offensive rush. Third was our goaltending by Derek Gaworski.

The most important reason of the success in this season is the discipline of the entire team. We started the season with a system and the players have responded all season long. This year's team has a good work ethic at practices and at games, and never second-guesses the coaches' decisions. It has been a pleasure coaching this hockey team.

Winding up, senior Jaison LaCava loosens up his arm before a game. This third baseman says, "Burrell was the best game since we won and we never beat them. But the game against Ford City is one I will always remember since I had the game winning hit."

A superman slide is completed by Freeport's #30 as he is safe at third base during the Knoch game. The dust had already cleared by the time the ball gets to the base.









Varsity

Row 1: Pernell Shaw, Dave Stoops, Jaison LaCava, Jason Leskovic, Ernest Steele Row 2: Jon Kurtz, Matt Walker, Bert Stoehr, Joe Klaput, Cory Weibel, Dennis Gearhart, Josh Stover Row 3: Coach Chris Graczyk, Calvin Carter, Craig Kasunic, Adam Bauman, Kris Kemp, Ryan Saylor, Coach Pat Graczyk

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	Us	Them
Leechburg	4	5
Deer Lakes	2	12
Valley	3	4
Burrell	5	6
Ford City	3	1
Apollo Ridge	11	0
Highlands	0	3
Valley	3	2
Mars	5	4
Apollo Ridge	5	1
Knoch	4	9
Burrell	2	1
Deer Lakes	2	4
Ford City	6	2
Mars	1	16

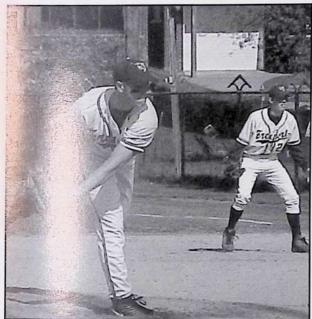
JV Record 6-6-0

## slow beginning | HIVING UP

by bert stoehr

Frozen with complete concentration, senior Kris Kemp prepares to bat. With a set stance, he is ready for anything the pitcher sends him.

Firing it in pitcher Craig Kasunic enjoyed highschool baseball since "playing with all his friends made it special." In warm-up he would work specifically on just throwing strikes to Cory.



A lot of fun was had this baseball season. Even though we started out slow we picked it up towards the end of the season and made something out of it.

Before the season started, we would have practice for all of the players that weren't playing other sports. We would throw, hit and our coach would hit the infielders ground balls. We ran a little bit but not too much.

Before every game we had a ritual that we called hiving up. Everyone would turn their hats around back-Then one of wards and we would get into a circle. the captains Then one of the captains would run up would run up behind us and yell, "Who are we?!" behing us and and we would yell, "Jackets!" yell "Who are

After we started 0-4, we were all pretty down on ourselves, but I think that the Burrell game was the turning point in the season. Burrell is our biggest rival in baseball and we came within one out of beating them. Once we got through that game, we played

much better all year. Jon Kurtz says, "We all felt our team could have done a lot better, but we didn't play up to our potential." Good luck to the baseball team for next year!





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**Junior Varsity** 

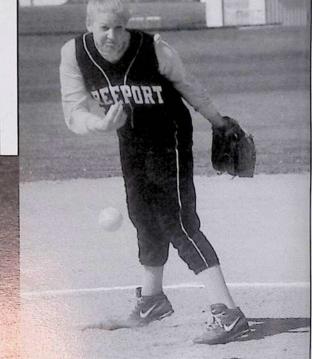
Row 1: Miles Sieminski, Scott Gallagher, Cody Betush, Scott Vascik, Andy Deel Row 2: Adam Isenberg, Matt Krchnak, Tim Mackowski, Luke Turner, Brandon Showers, Kory Micholas Row 3: Coach Stack, Ben Cataldi, Tim Tomayko, Nathan Kurtz, Ben Smith, Jake Lassinger, Coach Greiser

Varsity

Row 1: Michelle Grenda, Sara Acre, Mindy Wells, Lanna Horn Row 2: Nicole Beggs, Allyson Wood, Emily Affrica, Laura Garlitz, Megan Prazenica, Sarah Krchnavy Row 3: Maria Lutz, Lara Hayden, Courtney Cummings, Amanda Beresik, Heather

Fair, Elizabeth Lindsay





## all drama SNOWY SEASON

by michelle grenda & mindy wells

The Freeport Softball team started their season in the snow! It was an interesting one, that didn't go as well as many players hoped but with all of the 'drama' that they encountered, they sometimes beat themselves. The team suffered some tough loses but the loss that will be hardest to forget was to Apollo Ridge played in a snow storm.

Overall, they became pretty close friends...

They didn't let the losses get them down this season though, and stuck together as a team. They played with pride and class the whole time. This led them to their great accomplishment of taking Burrell into extra innings even though they lost 1-0. In that game, everyone played as a unit.

Some fun moments were spent together off the field getting together and going to Dairy Queen, Pizza Hut, Megan's house, Special Olympics, or just to watch Burrell and Highlands play. They joked about "T" getting her 'ankle taped' everyday by the one and only Siegel, Affrica and her "J" cheer, picking on Wells and much more. Overall they became pretty close friends and that helped as much as it could on the field. Good luck to everyone next year and the future softball players for years to come.



Getting her game face ready, Laura Garlitz gets some help from Megan Prazenica. Megan remembers, "Michelle Grenda always put it on me to help with the sun's glare when I was a freshman so now I help the freshmen out."

Up to bat Amanda Beresik looks Burrell's pitcher right in the eyes. For as long as she remembers they've had a rivalry with Burrell. "When I'm up at bat," she says, "I clear my mind and focus on the pitcher's release."

IIII al record: /-8-0		Us	Them	
L O	West Shamokin	14	0	
0	Ford City	11	3	
Œ	Apollo Ridge	2	3	
	Burrell	0	10	
0 =	Highlands	1	3	
3	Kittanning	5	2	
i	Valley	2	3	
	Deer Lakes	0	3	_
	Riverview	5	0	S
	Ford City	2	3	cores
į	Apollo Ridge	2	0	_
ı	Burrell	0	1	0
ı	Valley	1	0	
ı	Riverview	9	0	S
ı	Deer Lakes	1	7	Φ
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JV
Row 1: Christine Frampton, Tara Karns, Rudee Dilick, Kari
Calorio Row 2: Jen Fair, Emma Stoehr, Sarah McLaughlin,
Lauren Fleischman, Kiley Murray Row 3: Christie Clowes,
Casey Hill, Nicole Ball











She's Safe is the call as #9, Sara Krchnavy slides into home plate. All the Tae-bo, weight-training, conditioning, and repetitious skills pay off for the girls when they have the extra speed and strength to make the play.

Heads up, Lara Hayden, junior, gets ready to catch the ball. She says in softball you must, "Keep faith in yourself and work hard at what you do. Confidence is a key factor."

## who ride??? WE RIDE!!!

by matt gaydos & tyler cochran

Who ride??? That was the question that was echoed throughout the whole track season. This question was answered at every section meet, as we rode to victory becoming undefeated in section and riding our way into the playoffs. The road we rode on, however, was one that won't be soon forgotten.

Everything from bus rides, to showers, to watching Helgert throwing up, made this year's track season unforgettable. The most memorable part of track, however, was

The bus ride home from Knoch however was particularly

the bus rides. The four seniors and many juniors held down the back of the bus with "your mom" jokes and ate the food we brought with us while the underclassmen watched us eat it all. The bus ride home from Knoch however was particularly SHOCKING!!!

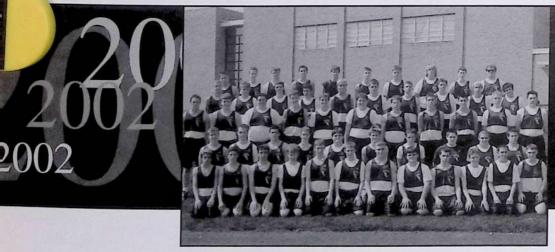
The season started off on a good SHOCKING!!! note and kept on getting better. At the Pine Richland Invitational, we rode to a third place finish with many medals and

at this meet another question arose. What!!!? Then the Mars Invitational came where we survived the crossing of the border (that was a hit). Once we arrived at Mars, we were asked "What time is it" but no one really knew. Then we found out "What time it was" against Mars three days later in our last section meet and it was indeed "T.S.F.F." time! We won the WPIAL Section IV Class AA title in true Freeport fashion. Then the answer to the long awaited question was answered. Who ride? WE RIDE!!!

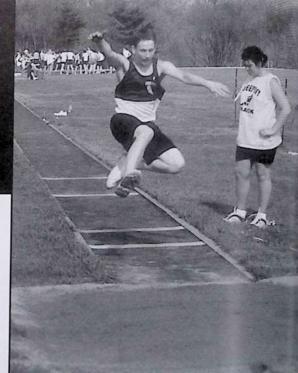
High endurance is what Josh Helgert needs as he kicks in a leg of the relay. Josh says, "The toughest part of track is the last stretch of your run, but I just think about catching Tyler and keep on going."

Leaping ahead Talan Conjack races over the beginning hurdles with Scott Kallner and Kiel Conjack close behind. He placed 1st in the 110 and 300 hurdles and was MVP at the Pine Richland Invitational. Talan thinks, "Track definitely helps me with my running technique for football."





Row 1: S. Kerr, E. Yagoda, B. Booth, Z. Gent, J. Wetzel, E. Boyd, M. Donnell, M. Poremba, A. Faust, J. Korbeck, M. Bergstrom, N. Deel Row 2: N. Ruhl, C. Noroski, B. Crytzer, S. Sarver, M. Poremba, W. Eckert, R. Fuhrman, T. Morris, B. Morrison, J. Helgert Row 3: J. Nicholson, C. Craft, D. Hughes, K. Conjack, J. Trenski, B. Cadamore, P. Cline, A. Laux, M. Vigliotti, T. Gehm, M. Fox Row 4: T. Conjack, T. Walters, J. Barch, R. Plocki, M. Kersten, C. Bowser, J. Scott, I. Kaminski, M. Rutkowski, M. Medovitch Row 5: T. Younkins, C. Smith, R. Earl, S. Kallner, M. Gaydos, C. Chelecki, N. Haynes, G. Brucker, B. Ferko, E. Janoski

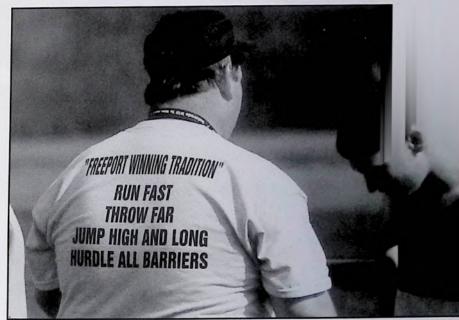






Up, up and away Matt Rutkowski attempts to pole-vault during a home meet. With the recent deaths and injuries for pole valters, Matt decided, "we should wear helmets. When I'm up in the air, all I see is the bar and I concentrate on getting over it."

Giving a pep talk Coach Dillen tells freshman Nick Deel, "Just go out and do your best. Whatever happens, happens. Let the chips fall as they may."



	Us	Them	
Ford City	86	64	S
Shady Side	108	42	e e
Springdale	128.5	17.5	0
Apollo Ridge	121	29	ပ
Riverview	118	32	S
Valley	127	27	
Deer Lakes	97	63	Φ
Knoch	52	98	4
Mars	100	50	

Pine-Richland Invitational
3rd Place

Playoffs
Shenango 79 71
Beaver 72 78
Section Champs

final record: 9-2-0

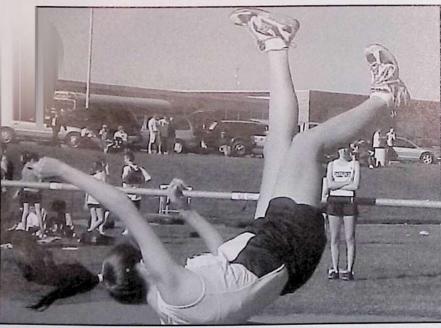


Carrying on these sophomores hold freshman Tyler Gehm and sophomore Ethan Boyd in the air as they teach the boys a little about fun during a track meet. When asked why he runs track, Ethan says, "With all the running, I seriously ask myself that every day. But honestly we all have a good time as long as we remember to run fast and turn left."

Row 1: A. Orzechowski, A. Walker, N. Staricek, M. Roenigk, A. Walker, C. Buday, R. Gray, K. Clark, J. Schaefers, K. Wurmb, K. Saunders, R. Zingaro Row 2: A. Gaston, S. McCrea, A. Kabay, S. Reeseman, S. Dudeck, A. Ruhl, S. Morrin, L. DeLibero, H. Tomayko, L. Elliott, A. Bennett Row 3: M. Seagriff, M. Dunmyre, J. Landis, J. Caro, K. Buday, J. Frank, B. Fogarty, R. Bier, L. Cochran, N. Woitas, O. Hess Row 4: A. Parker, M. Sypulski, L. Potosky, M. Vascik, A. Cramer, S. Walters, H. Doerfler, S. Carnahan, A. Miller, E. Janoski, M. Gamblin, C. Williams Row 5: S. Kinter, S. Fawcett, L. Ehrman, E. Warriner, K. DeLibero, C. Callas, M. Vascik, S. Weltner, S. Betts, J. Carson Row 6: J. Boroski, T. Nicholson, A. Jeffries, A. Himes, K. Lowers, V. Romanowski, R. Buday, J. Windows, D. Elder



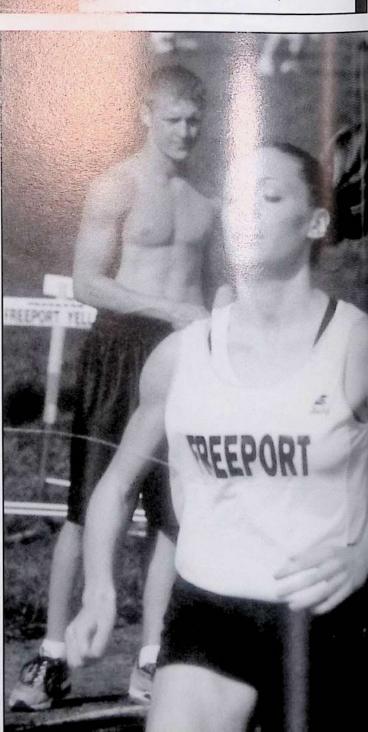
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	Springdale	99	61	0
	Apollo Ridge	81	69	О
	Riverview	91	58	1
	Valley	108.5	37.5	a
	Deer Lakes	98	52	֚֚֓֡֡֡֝֡֜֝֡֜֝֡֡
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n	Riverside	98	52	
D	Neshannock	105	41	
0	Washington	93	52	
5	Mohawk	76	74	ĕ
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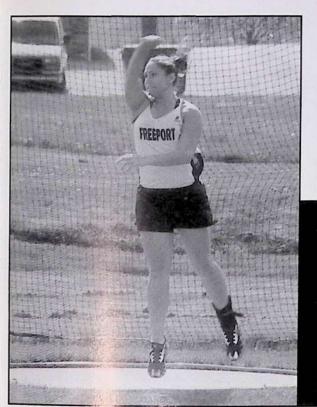


Not just running Kristen
DeLibero attempts the high
jump. She says, "I like track
because I don't have to just run.
Our coaches let us try different
things to see what we like and
where we can succeed."

Neck in neck Joelle Ambrose digs to pull ahead during the 100 meter hurdles. She was again the WPIAL Champion in the 300 hurdles and the 4x4 relay team. She was also 1st at WPIALS qualifying for states.







Cooling down Dezaria Elder takes a break after running the 100 hurdles by talking with her boyfriend Chris Craft. "Before the 300 intermediate hurdles, he makes me feel less nervous, helps me relax, and gets my mind ready for the event," she says.





The one to beat, Lacey Cochran starts to get ahead early in the 400 meters. As a freshman she won the gold in the 400 meter and also 1600 meter relay during preliminaries. She was MVP at both Pine RIchland and Mars Invitationals. She qualified for states in all three of herevents.

Breaking the string at the finish line, Courtney Callas wins the mile. When she crosses the line, she feels relief and is tired. "During the race, I block everything out. Then I finally hear everything and can feel how fast my heart is pumping," she

## starting off DOMINATION

by kristen delibero & joelle ambrose

This year's track season was full of surprises. We started off our season with a win against Ford City. We went on to dominate the Pine Richland and Mars Invitational. Our biggest victory was over Deer Lakes because they beat us last year for the section.

This season everyone seemed to share in laughter. Sometimes we would sing oldies songs before we

...we had to work in order to go UNDE-FEATED as Section Champs.

ran. Other times we would discuss some strange or serious topic not relating to track to clear our minds before we ran. The best part of the away meets were the bus rides. They consisted of seating charts, spit balls, laughter, and sometimes near brawls. One track ride home, there were two bikers howling at the moon.

Along with the fun, we had to work in order to go UNDEFEATED as

Section Champs. Everyday we would run up to a mile to warm up, stretch, do some drills, then split up into the individual events and then we would do technique drills.

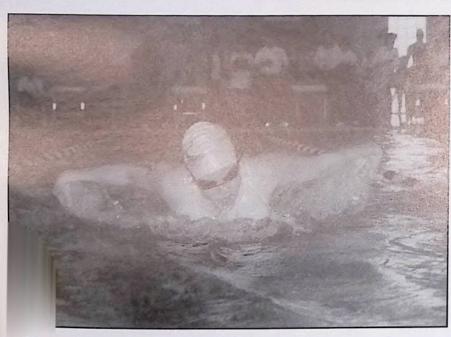
We ended our season defeating Mars and winning our section in a very close meet. All of our practice seemed to pay off for us in this meet. We lost to Quaker Valley becoming runners up for the WPIAL championships. It was a huge accomplishment and something that will always be remembered.

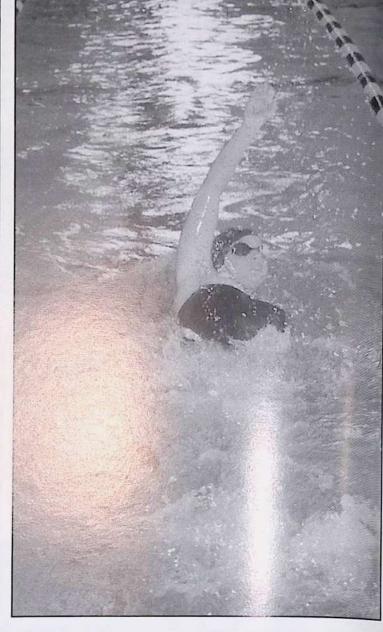
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Gasping for air, freshman Kristen Bombalski turns and finishes her last 25 yards. "I got my best time, a 1:07:82, swimming the butterfly" replies Kristen.

Flying Fish, sophomore Cherie Buday flys through the water, trying to caputure a good time. "I was acutally trying to look good for the camera," states Cherie.





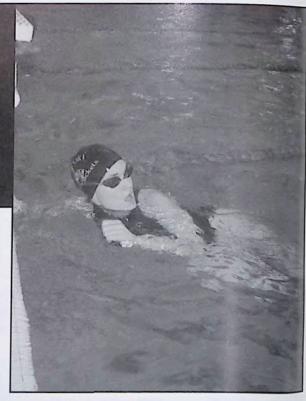


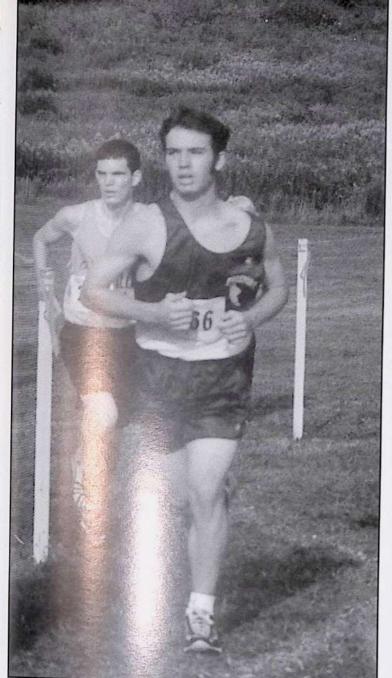


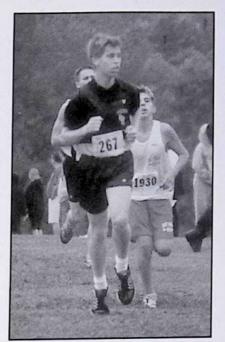


Row 1: Ally Wood, Rachel Buday, Cherie Buday Row 2: Amber Cramer, Amanda Thiry, Brendan McGregor, Kristen Bombalski, Karli Buday

Out of Breath, sophomore Amanda Thiry finishes the race, even before some Burrell guys. "I may look tired, but that really wasn't my best swim," replies Amanda.







Running for food, sophomore Austin Gehm in first looks to his side and sees the finish line and his fellow opponent. "I get donuts if I win," replies Austin

### **Cross Country Sayings**

- ~In order to win, you must do extraordinary things. You can't just be one of the crowd because the crowd doesn't win
- ~We run Cross Country for the HILLuvit!
- ~God made the Cross Country Runners, the devil made the course.
- ~We're the fast girls your mother warned you about.
- ~This little girl is made of guts, ambition and nerves of steel.
- ~Boys can chase us, Guys can catch us, but only the real Men can run with us.
- ~Our sport is your sports punishment.



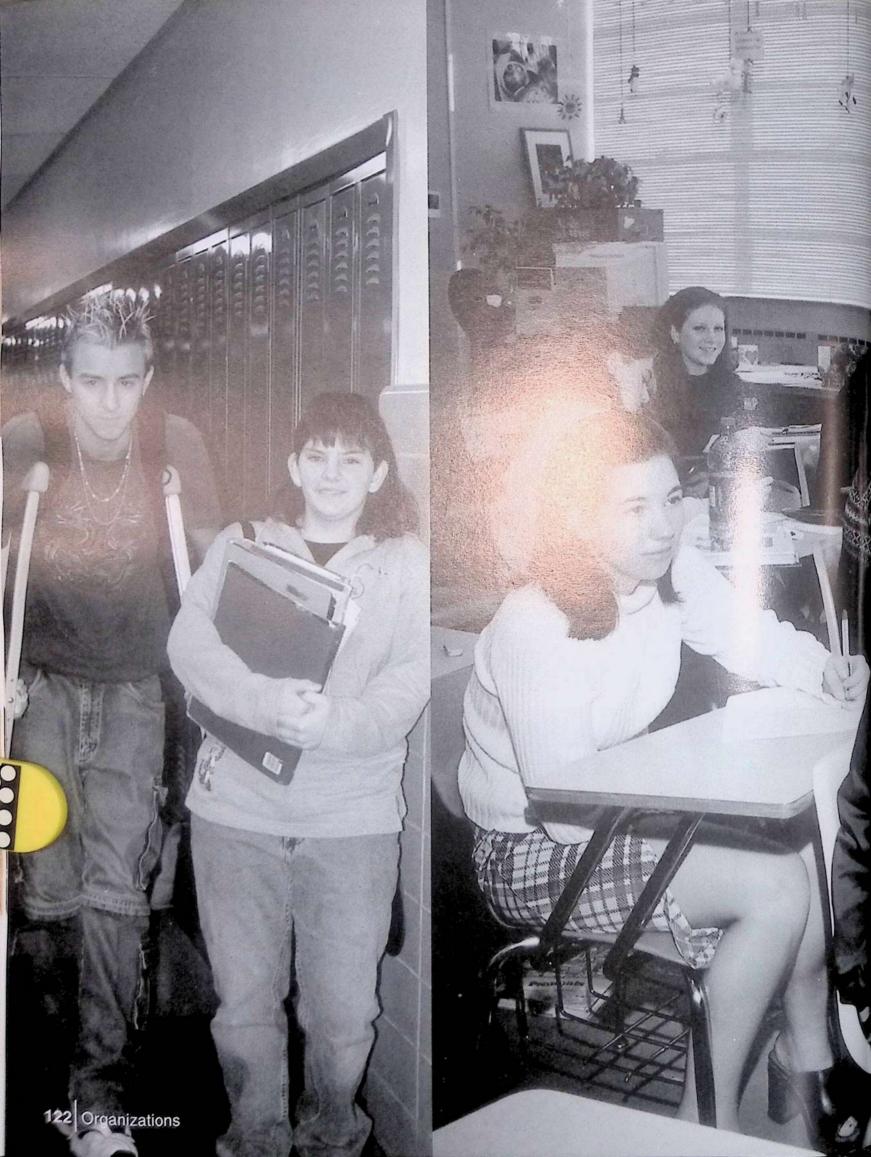




Brian Booth, Samantha Carnahan, Lauren Potosky, Sherri Fawett, Jodi Caro, Cherie Buday, Austin Gehm

Missing form Picture: Raven Bier and Matthew Rutkoski

**Charging Ahead,** Sophomore Cherie Buday ran forward to take home the medal. "Sure our shorts are short, if they were any longer they would catch on fire" states Cherie.



2002 Organizations

Absorbed in thought, Frank Palermo, junior, types rapidly to complete his project.

In the holiday spirit, junior Matt Bollinger paints the office door in hopes that it will bring some holiday cheer to the school's visitors.

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mock trial

## by mark medovitch defending k trial defending innocent"

This year's mock trial case was the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. alleged arsonist Morgan McGrath.

The members of Freeport's prosecution included lawyers Mark Medovitch, Nate Arvay, and Ben Tegetoff, and witnesses Chief Chris Martilioni (John Marty), Jesse Dewar (Brad Carson), and Sal Richardson (Kevin McGuire).

The members of the defense team included lawyers Helen Pflugh, Noel Aucoin, and Ray Toborkey, and witnesses

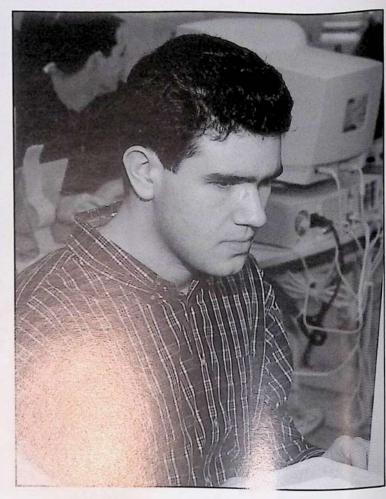
Morgan McGrath (Marissa Leslie), Tracy Wayans (Matt Feil), and Learned McGrath (Kristen Huth).

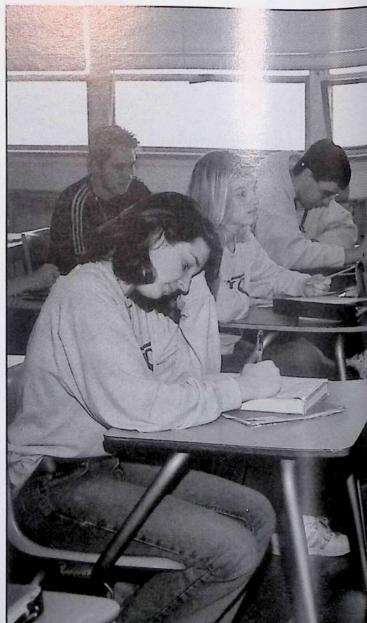
...we know their strategies, and we're now ready to beat them next year!

The Freeport team defeated Valley High School in the annual scrimmage. Freeport then took out the competition, beating Seneca Valley High School and Laurel High School. Shortly thereafter, the team traveled to Beaver to compete

ben tegethoff in the Regional Competition against the former state champions Quigley Catholic. After putting up a laudable fight, Freeport unfortunately lost the competition to the opposing team.

"We put up a really good fight, I think," says lawyer Ben Tegethoff, "We know their strategies, and we're now ready to beat them next year!"

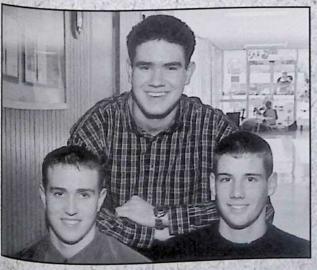












#### **Mock Trial**

First Row: John Marty, Helen Pflugh, Marissa Leslie, Kristen Huth, Noel Aucoin Second Row: Matt Feil, Justin Hunter, Brad Carson, Nathan Arvay, Kristen DeLibero Third Row: Ben Tegethoff, Matt Gaydos, Kevin McGuire, Ray Toborkey

### Strongland Math League

First Row: Matt Kersten, Amanda Beresik, Heather Tomayko, Beth Almquist, Emily Hughes Second Row: Adam Foust, Angela Ruhl, Andy Laux, Autumn Wyant Third Row: Allison Fleischer, Alicia Bitterice, Sara Kinter, Matt Mieckowski, Mike Bender Fourth Row: Amanda Thiry, Dave Brown, Kevin McGuire, Dan Gaydos, Frank Palermo

#### Quiz Bowl

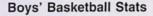
First Row: Lanna Horn, Kristen Huth, Daniel Soltis, Jessica Brinkley Second Row: Kelly Hughes, Robin Neely, Greg Cherry, Andy Laux, Mike Bergstrom, Noel Aucoin Third Row: Steve Klabnik, Megan Prazenica, Matt Feil, Dan Gaydos, Talan Conjack Fourth Row: Dave Brown, Kevin McGuire, Matt Gaydos, Mike Bender, Frank Palermo

#### KDKA Hometown High Q

First Row: Dave Brown, Matt Gaydos Second Row: Frank Palermo

#### Girls' Basketball Stats

First Row: Audrey Bennett, Kasey Betush



First Row: Karla Pastoria, Lindsay Huth, Christy DiEmidio, Courtney Cummings Second Row: Amanda Bereski, Leah Weleski, Jen Landis, Nicole Frick Thrid Row: Sherri Fawcett, Jen DeSalvo, Krystin Lowers, Jodi Windows, Emily Greenhill, Christina Chelecki

#### **Prom Decorating Committee**

First Row: Amanda Walker, Bethany Krowsoski, Mark Medovitch, Alyssa Caripolti, April Kabay, Jackie Schaefers, Katrina Greco, Carrie Crissman Second Row: Renee Zingaro, Lauren Potosky, Courtney Cummings, Renee Colpo, Jen DeSalvo, Bethany Almquist, Christy DiEmidio, Kristin Kendel, Nicole Tomayko Third Row: Helen Pflugh, Laura Corry, Jason Hawk, Lindsey Mills, Amanda Beresik, Dennis Gearhart, Scott Kallner, Lara Hayden Fourth Row: Kiley Murray, Sarah Bicker, Sherri Fawcett, Megan Vascik, Christina Chelecki, Sara Fleming, Krystin Lowers, Emily Greenhill, Matt Kersten

#### **Snowball Decorating Committee**

First Row: K. Wurmb, J. Landis, L. Ehrman, B. Krowsoski, M. Medovitch, L. Horn, A. Caripolti, A. Kabay, J. Schaefers, C. Crissman, T. Karns, R. Dilick Second Row: K. Kemp, K. Greene, J. Nicholson, L. Potosky, C. Cummings, R. Colpo, J. DeSalvo, K. Supik, M. Grenda, N. Frick, A. Ruhl Third Row: M. Mainhart, A. Wyant, K. Carson, J. Malak, K. Kendel, L. Mills, A. Beresik, A. Fleischer, C. DiEmidio, A. Himes, E. Warriner, S. Kallner Fourth Row: S. Goodman, A. Thiry, M. Prazenica, C. Buday, S. Fawcett, N. Dickey, C. Chelecki, K. Lowers, E. Greenhill, M. Kersten, A. Cramer Fifth Row: J. Virag, R. Buday, A. Mohan, K. Buday, N. Colpo, L. Query, M. Wells, S. Acre, L. Fuhrer, M. Leslie, B. Sukala, M. Dunmyre Sixth Row: A. Bitterice, T. Nicholson, J. Windows, S. Kunkle, D. Martin, J. Leskovic, K. Vascik, M. Gaydos, J. Klaput, J. Kurtz, A. Bauman, Z. Cromie











Which one is mine? Amanda Beresik, junior, tries to sneak a peak at the snowball favors when no one is looking.



Which one to choose? Jason Leskovic, senior, tries to make a last minute decision on which girl to take to the snowball.

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· members of the court

King and Queen

• evening of fun

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# experience moment

by lanna horn

snowball decorating

Looking into the eyes of that someone special as you glide across the dance floor...so it's not exactly like that, but it is the annual snowball. It is the same dance with a different theme each year that sends girls out to shop for hours, while the guys shine their shoes for a night of fun and smiles.

For all those attending the dance, the biggest worry was what to wear. For those on the snowball decorating committee it was, well of course, the decorations. "Decorat-

Decorating for the snowball was fun and the favors were everyone's favorite.

erica warriner

ing for the snowball was fun and the favors were everyone's favorite," says senior Erica Warriner.

This year's theme was "A Midwinter Night's Dream." What made this theme come alive were lights on the ceiling that made it a starry night and the snow that lined many of the tables and the walkway. Despite the stress, the dance was

pulled together for a magical evening.

"It was hard trying to figure out what everybody attending the snowball would like," said chairman Lanna Horn. "It was a fun experience. I would like to thank the committee for the great help. I also wish Mark and Pinky the best snowball ever!"



vear book

# by leah ehrman preserving the

Each year, the yearbook shows all the important events that went on and everything that took place throughout the school year. The yearbook committee works diligently to capture the memorable moments from sports to academics.

This year's theme is "A Picture is Worth 2002 Words." Each section tries to show that in a different way but it has to flow throughout the book.

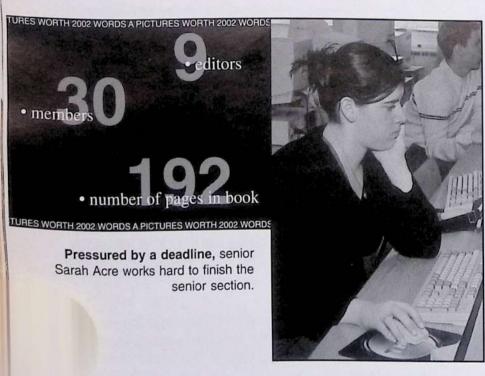
Working on the yearbook is hard, but it is worthwhile in the end.

There are many different jobs to do for the yearbook. There are caption writers, people to name pictures. photographers, section editors, and the main editor. Each person plays a valuable role in the making of the yearbook. The section editors rely on the caption writers and photographers

to bring out the excitement of the moment.

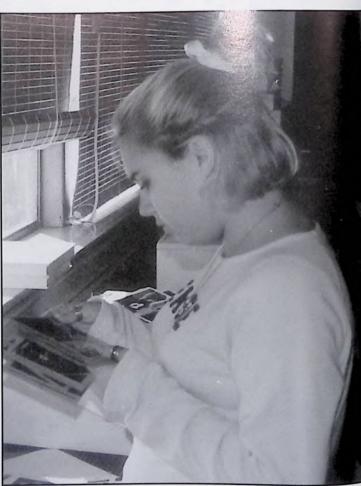
Each year there is a lot of pressure to finish the pages before the deadline. Each section needs proofread to insure that there are no mistakes. "Working on the yearbook is hard," explains Karli Buday, "but it is worthwhile in the end."

The yearbook staff puts a lot of time into making the yearbook a good representation of the year.



Sorting our memories, sophomore Tiffany Merryman flips through the pile of sports pictures waiting to be put in the book.













#### Yearbook Editors

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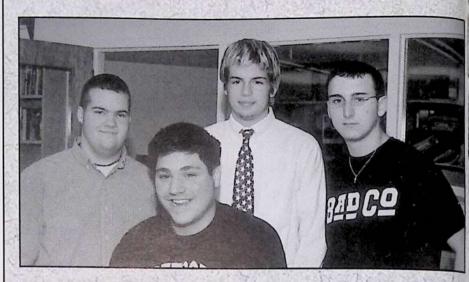
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# helping by leah ehrman children's hospital unfortunate

Most teenagers do not give up a lot of time to give back to the community, but from the size of this year's Children's Hospital Committee, teenagers appear to be turning a new leaf.

Every year the committee has a carnation sale and a fashion show. Flowers were sold during lunch and given out eighth period a week later.

This year's theme for the fashion show was "Aux Champs Elysees" inspired from chairman Autumn Wyant's

It was great working with so many people and it was very rewarding.

autumn wyant

trip to France. Students from every grade are chosen to be models. These students get to go to a local store and choose an outfit corresponding with their grade's theme.

"The fashion show was a lot of time and commitment, but everything came together wonderfully," comments Autumn Wyant. "It was great working

with so many people and it was very rewarding."

This year the fashion show was moved from the auditorium to the cafeteria due to construction. Even though there were a few complications, the fashion show turned out great and brought a little bit of France to Freeport.



A hairy situation, Erica Warriner, senior, gets her hair styled by sophomore Michelle Vascik.

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Sarah Goodman and Greg Furer, have the opportunity to get better acquainted with each other.

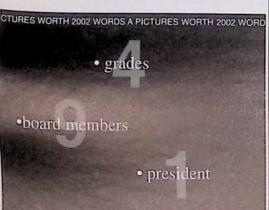
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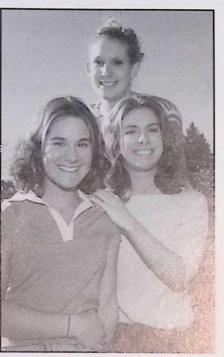
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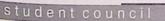
Nicole Augustine

#### Junior Class Officers

First Row: Carrie Crissman, Sarah Dudeck Second Row: Megan Vascik







# leading future

Are you the type of person that likes to be in charge? Do you like to be involved in a lot of activities? If you are one of those people, student council may be for you.

There are many different ways to be involved. There are homeroom representatives, class officers, and executive board.

The Junior and Senior class officers are the most involved of all the grades. The Junior officers are in charge of planning and decorating for the Prom. The Senior Class

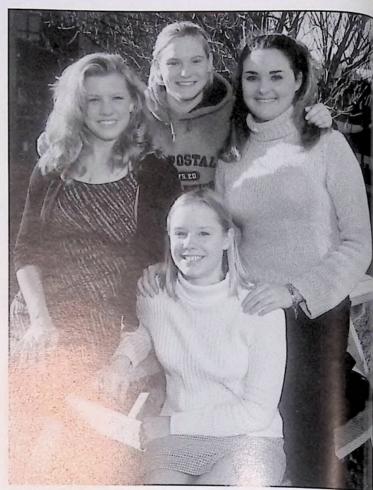
> officers are in charge of the five-year reunion.

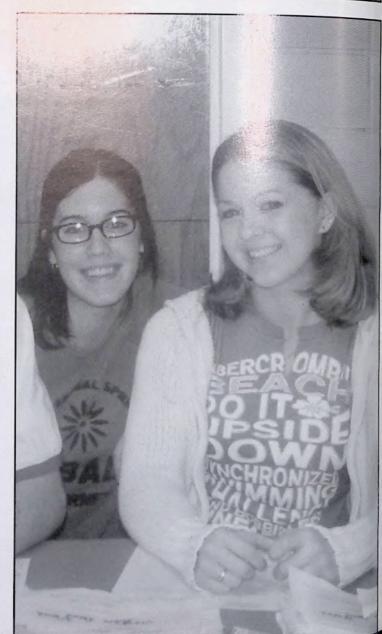
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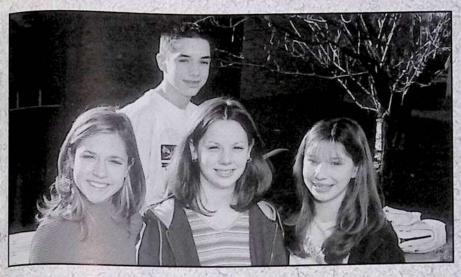
Executive Student Council is in charge of most of the activities like the Snowball. Children's Hospital Committee, the Blood Drive and school store. "I like to work in the school store," comments Alyssa Caripolti. "I enjoy donating my time there because all the money goes

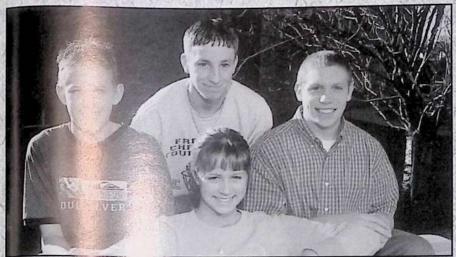
to charity." The members are also involved with fund raisers like the magazine assembly, this year's donut sell, and the Campfield Assembly. They also help out during Freshmen Orientation.

Being a member of student council is a good extracurricular activity that looks good on college transcripts and helps you prepare for the future.

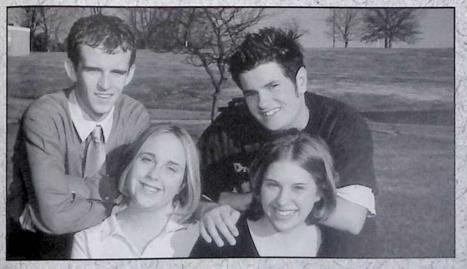












#### Freshmen Class Officers

First Row: Rudee Dilick, Nicole Aucoin, Laura Garlitz

Second Row: Dustin Gaworski

### Sophmore Class Officers

First Row: Maria Lutz Second Row: Jesse Wells, Luke Westerman, Scott Vascik

#### **Executive Board Members**

First Row: Alyssa Caripolti, Courtney Cummings, Amanda Beresik Second Row: Autumn Wyant, Lanna Horn, Mark Medovitch Third Row: Leah Ehrman, Laura Corry, Josh Stover

### **Executive Board Officers**

First Row: Autumn Wyant, Amanda Beresik Second Row: Josh Stover, Mark Medovitch

#### **National Honor Society**

First Row: Sara Kinter, Carrie Clayton, Mindy Wells, Lanna Horn, Marcie Marker Second Row: Becky Danner, Angela Ruhl, Lauren Query, Sara Snyder, Amanda Ganster, Brianna Sukala, Nicole Frick, Emily Hughes Third Row: Jodi Windows, Nikki Colpo, Rachel Buday, Kristen DeLibero, Lindsay Fuhrer, Joelle Ambrose, Alicia Bitterice, Marissa Leslie, Autumn Wyant, Katie Adams Fourth Row: Michelle Grenda, Jeremiah Huth, Adam Toncini, Sarah Goodman, Matt Gaydos, Bert Stoehr, John Smith, Lindsay

### **National Honor Society Inductees**

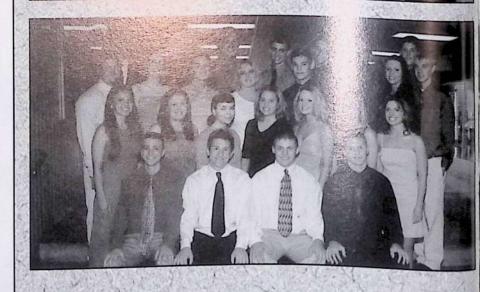
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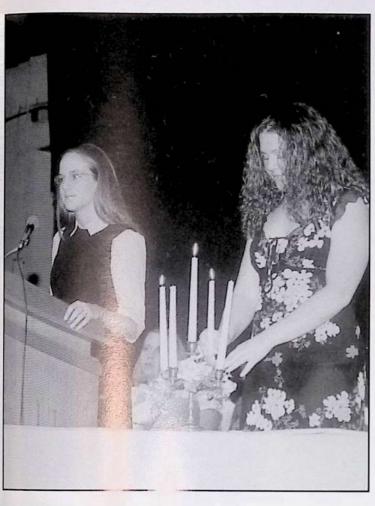
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This little light of mine. Senior Alicia Bitterice lights the third candle. Each candle represents a different aspect of the National Honor Society.



With tremendous preparation, Autumn Wyant, senior, delivers the opening speech which told the inductees what the National Honor Society represents in our school.

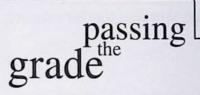
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by leah ehrman

nhs

The National Honor Society inducts the top students in the Junior and Senior classes once a year. These students must have an accumulative grade point average of at least 3.5 and also must have passed at least one honors class.

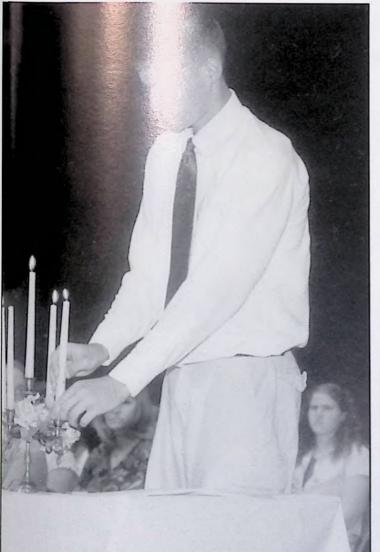
"I work really hard in all my classes," reflects Renee Zingaro. "When I found out that I made it into the NHS, I realized that all the hard work payed off."

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renee zingaro

Each year there is an inductee ceremony where the members of the society will first describe the society and what is required to be in it. Then a short speech will be made about each inductee and they will receive a flower and pin. To finialize the ceremony, the inductees must repeat the pledge. Afterwards there is a party for the members and their families.

In order to be a member of the National Honor Society, you must put in your time as a volunteer by donating your time at the Freeport Food Bank. Also the Junior members are ushers at Graduation.



by junior high staff meeting

Did you ever want to meet new people? In the Junior High, there are a lot of different groups that you can be involved in.

One of the most popular clubs, with about 40 members, is the Basketball Club. There are 5 or 6 boys and girls on each of the six teams. They play half court with Mr. Parker and Mr. Yard as referees. "I had a lot of fun in

I had a lot of fun in basketball club...I really liked it. basketball club," states Tyler Hill, a member of the club. "I really liked it."

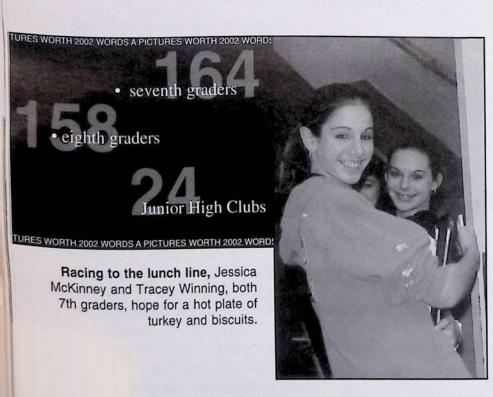
Another organization was the Hunting and Fishing Club which helped the boys brush up on their skills. They were taught different techniques throughout the year. One of the teaching aides was the videos that showed

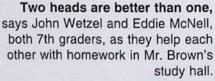
tricks and shortcuts to help out when you were in a jam.

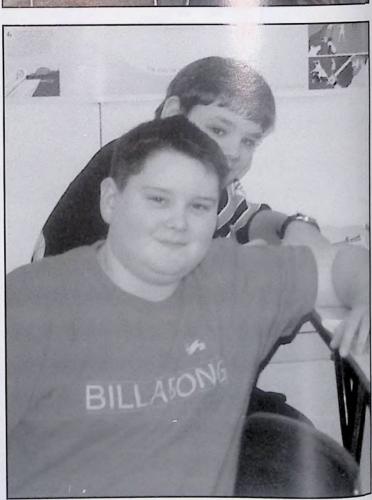
This is the first year for a Junior High Yearbook Committee. There were five members that met with editors to help name pictures, write stories, and write captions.

There are a lot more clubs that you can be involved in. The Junior High Clubs make it possible for everyone to find an interesting group that has similiar interests.



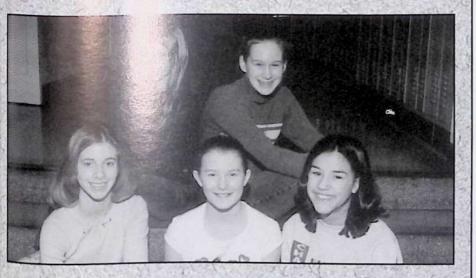














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First Row: Channing Sofko, Cory Chelko, Kellen Cromie, Kirsten Almquist, Tyler Hill Second Row: Cassidy Garvin, Kristen Brothers, Jen Clayton, Melanie Lutz, Asti Isenberg, Jared Pogas Third Row: Amy Dean, Noelle DeCroo, Jenna Skowronski, Kayla Noel, Cory Massart Fourth Row: Joel Erickson, Lori Beth Palko, Tatum Risch, Kellie Hill, Alexis Parshook, DJ Lingelbach

#### **Brain Drain**

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#### Yearbook

First Row: Kristen Prazenica, Kirsten Almquist, Maria Pollino Second Row: Kayleigh Sharick, Jessica Rykaceski

### **Hunting and Fishing Club**

First Row: Travis Zukowski, Cory Chelko, Corey Mickle, Eric Fink, Beau Zack, Mike Woitas Second Row: Dave O'Connor, Tyler Huth, Ryan Prunty, Bryan Tague, Jason Kurtiak, Ryan Fogarty, Shawn Visnesky Third Row: Sean Kriebel, Josh Schreckengost, Justin Powell, Darren Nicholson, Dan Wesolosky, Max Noroski, Shane Thompson, Mr. Love

unior high clubs

# by junior high staff creating sigh clubs standards

Did you ever wonder, what's the best club to join? There are so many possiblities that it might seem hard to choose.

One of the most popular groups are the plays. There are two plays each year, one in the fall and one in the spring. Each year, Mr. O'Donnell has tryouts to see who

> the next star with be and who will be in charge behind the scenes.

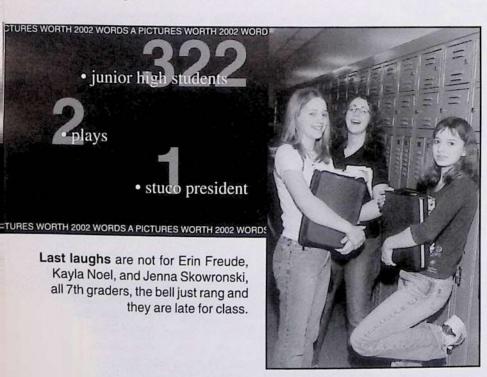
It gives girls a place to have their thoughts and feelings heard...

Another popular group is Student Council. Every year they work hard to organize and decorate dances, promote the plays, and plan a perfect endof-year trip. Every student is able to run for the positions of president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer. If

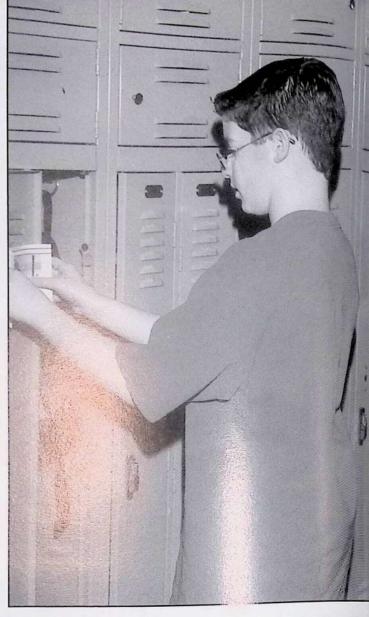
someone is not elected, he or she is still able to be on the council.

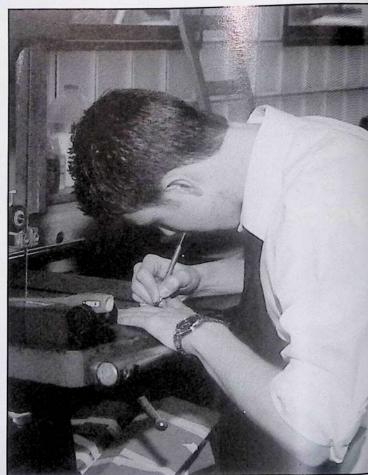
A great place for girls to just be girls is the Girls Club. The members always are able to talk about the latest gossip, dances, and new styles. It gives girls a place to have their thoughts and feelings heard without feeling uncomfortable.

Everyone has a place to be in Junior High, whether you are a girl who likes to gossip or a person who likes to take charge.



Measure twice and cut once is John Schuster's, 8th grader, motto as he builds his car in shop class.

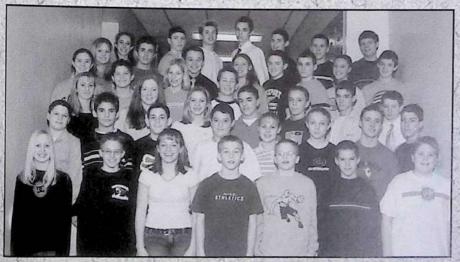












#### Walk and Jog Club

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#### **History Club**

First Row: Gary Morrison, Tom Douglas, Alyssa Yagoda, Emily Benz, Vicki Dehus, Caleb Smith Second Row: Matt Toborkey, Kurtis Claypool, Chris Tagmyer, Josh Shurina, Joe Krowsoski, Bryan Huth Third Row: Heather Knapp, Ryan Kirchner, Matt Smith, DJ Lingelbach, Chad Baker Fourth Row: Lori Beth Palko, Kyle Friend, James Young, Kevin Turner, Kenneth Scovern

#### Girls Club

First Row: Anna Foust, Kellie Cataldi, Alyssa Conjack, Lauren Weres, Jackie Shearrow, Kylie Hepler, Kayleigh Sharick Second Row: Noelle DeCroo, Lauren Krchnak, Erica Lowry, Carly Kinter, Dana Huston, Bettina Penvose Third Row: Cassie Smolic, Kellie Hill, Cassandra Sotos, Marlee Fritz, Lindsay Schwab

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#### **Peer Tutoring**

First Row: Jenna Skowronski, Cassidy Garvin Second Row: Brandon Dunmyre, Cassandra Sotos, Aaron Dunmyre

#### Investment Club

First Row: Joe Uhing, Paul Schmidt, Richard Pollick Second Row: Tracey Winning, Jessica McKinney, Ashley Thompson, Erin Freude

#### Newsletter

First Row: Nathan Kubeldis, Justine Rotto, Julie Hranica Second Row: Cassie Yockey, Alexis Parshook, Blaze Adamski, Sarah Lyle, Melissa Porter

#### Art Club

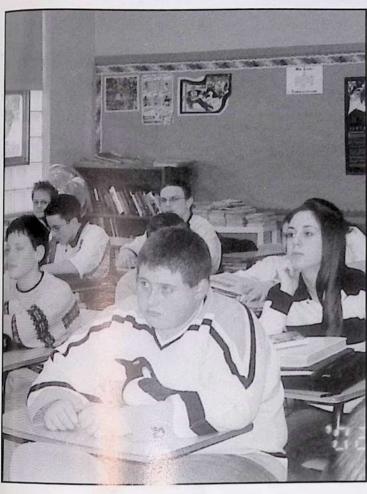
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May I have your attention please! All eyes and ears are open during one of Mr. Schell's communications classes.



Open up wide instructs Mrs. Lagiovane as she checks to see if Mike Ross is in good health.

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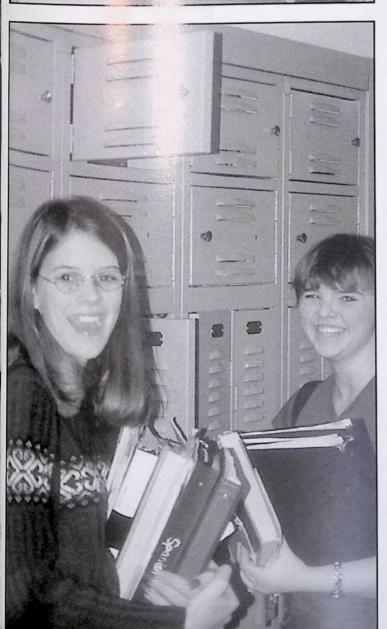
Each year there are students that are in need of help in their studies and have nowhere to turn. So the teachers will ask for volunteers to help students before or after school, or during a study hall. Students will sign up for a class that they understood or a class in which they think that they can help someone.

The reason that peer tutoring works so well is that students can sometimes explain the subject to a peer more

clearly than a teacher can. Also the student may feel less pressured to understand when a peer is teaching rather than a teacher.

This is a rewarding experience for the tutor as well as the student. The tutor gets the satisfaction of helping others as well as a better understanding of the material that was covered.

Each year peer tutoring proves to be a valuable asset for both of the students. It helps grades improve as well as helping confidence increase.



### Spanish

First Row: Tim Jones, Bennett Mieckowski, Eric Bole Second Row: Anthony Gohn, Brandon Dunmyre, Aaron Dunmyre, Dan Nicholson



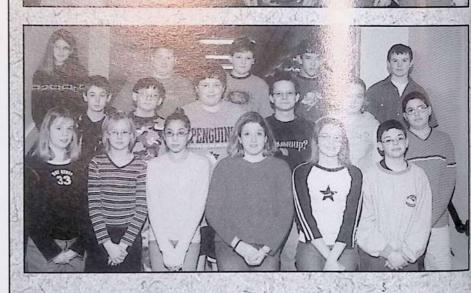
### Fly-Tying

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### **Games Club**

First Row: Chelsea Christy, Casey Lynn, Brianna Leda, Brittany Showers, Amanda Mitchell, Brad Gillespie Second Row: Alex Wheeler, Mike Montgomery, John McKurt, Mike Ross, Tiffany Raszowski, Shea McPeak Third Row: Ashley Stover, John Wetzel, Jake Woods, Nick Parsons, Kody Schuster









#### **Student Council**

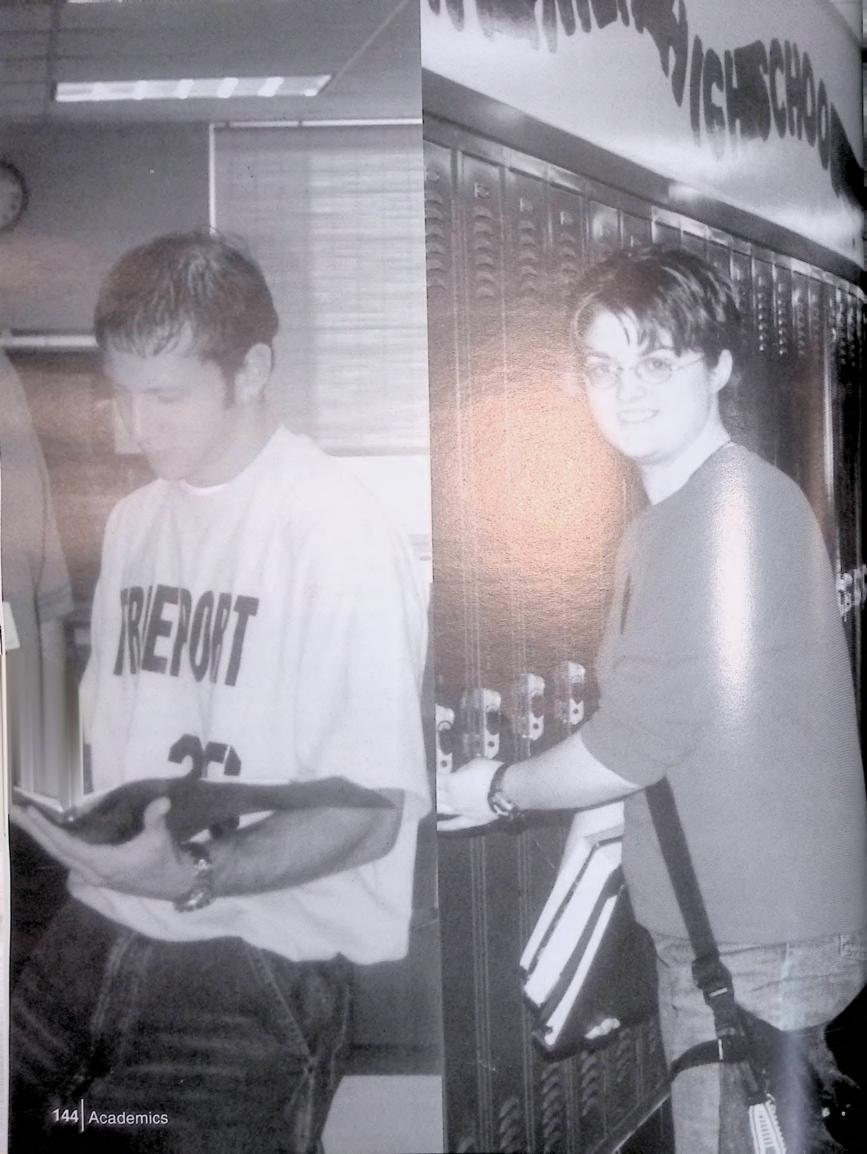
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### Fall Play Cast and Crew

First Row: Julie Hranica, Doug Kersten, Aaron Dunmyre Second Row: Kayleigh Sharick, Lauren Weres, Chelsea Sample, Dana Bergstrom, Drew Joos, Nathan Kubeldis, Cassie Treshok Third Row: Alexis Parshook, Jackie Shearrow, Emily Benz, Erica Lowry, Jenna Skowronski, Kayla Noel, Noelle DeCroo, Melissa Porter, Lauren LeClere Third Row: Jeff Neely, Adam Binz, Corey Hughes, Brandon Dunmyre, Joel Erickson, Chelsea Kolish, Cassie Smolic, Amy Dean, Tiffany Lewis

#### **PJAS**

First Row: Julie Hranica, Melissa Porter, Samantha Carnahan, Karli Buday, Kirsten Almquist, Maurielle Blake, Jenna Skowronski Second Row: Jackie Hranica, Emma Stoehr, Cherie Buday, Ashley Orzechowski, Matt Wilson, Shawn Hicks, Christina Kersul Third Row: Aaron Dunmyre, Brandon Dunmyre, Steven Klabnik, Mr. Orlowski, Cassandra Sotos, Jessica Klabnik, Matt Mieckowski, Eric Van Gehuchten, Joel Erickson, Bobby Shupeck



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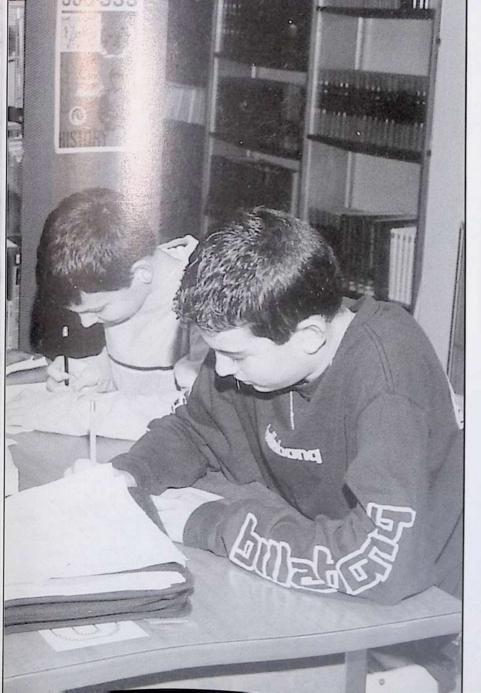
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Works of Art, sophomore Beth Ross paints a hand made tile. "I had a lot of fun working with the clay and using the different glazes," replies Beth.

Young Love, juniors Matt Walker and Lauren Potosky get their first taste of marriage. "I had a lot of fun, but I felt bad after I shoved the piece of cake all over his face," confesses Lauren.



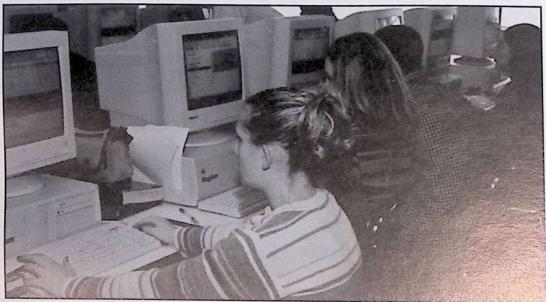




Cutie Pututies, junior Megan Vascik shows a smile, during child development, with one of her students. "Working with kids, like Joshua can always be a rewarding experience," states Mrs. Balint.

**Busy Bees,** seventh graders Tommy Douglas and Sean Jack work hard on homework during their studyhall in the library.

Speed demon Megan Vascik, junior, is in a rush to finish one of the many projects that the junior class is known to endure. Hard at Work, junior Tiffany Nicholson takes time out to make further details on her project. "A project may take a long time to put in every little detail, but the outcome is great." commented Tiffany.



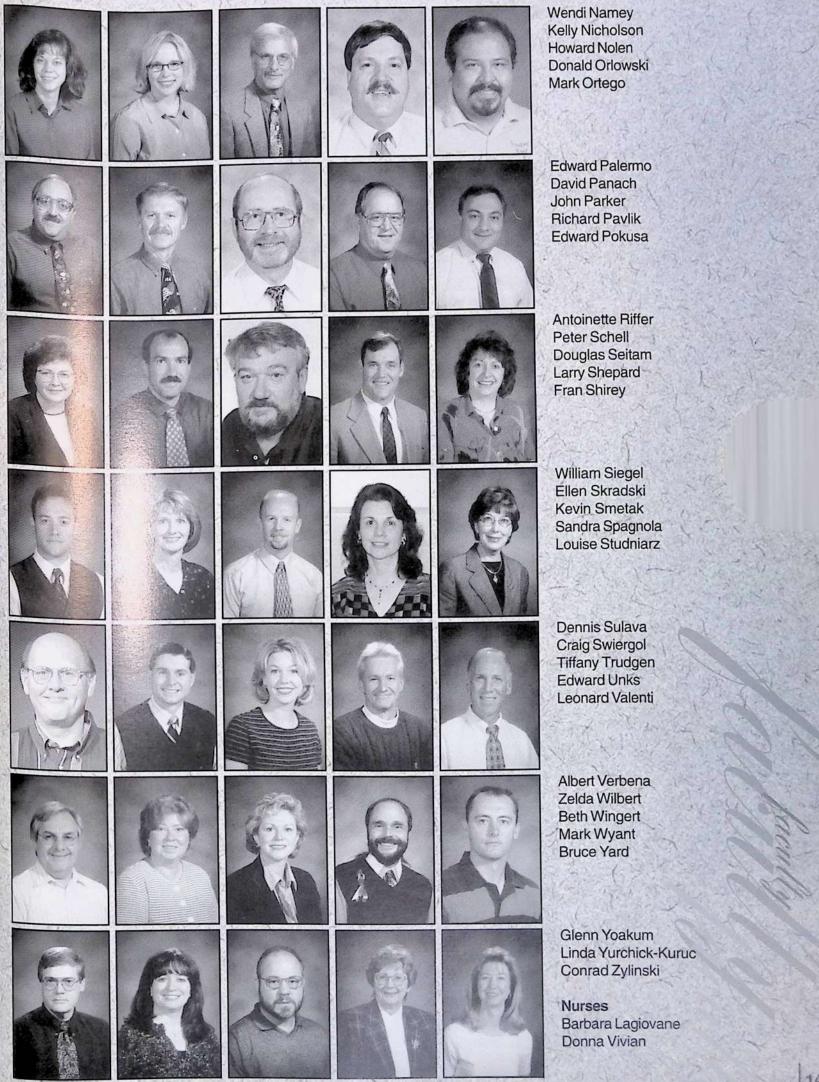




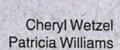
Saddened by the News, seniors Patrick Saunders and Alexis Reed hold newspapers that show the latest news on the September 11<sup>th</sup> tragedy. "Grim Realty" and "Act of War" were just two of the many headlines of the Valley News Dispatch and USA Today.

Clean Up Day, sophomore Terrell Kemp throws the excess junk out of his locker and into the trash can. "It was getting hard to find my books, so I was cleaning my locker," confesses Terrell.

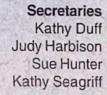




**Teachers Assistants** Nancy Balentine Peggy Corry Tracey Hughes Marsha Nulph Cindy Weltner



**Guidance Counselors** Karen Derda Deborah Kinosz Douglas Stanko



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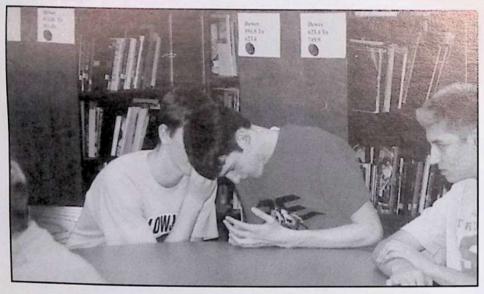








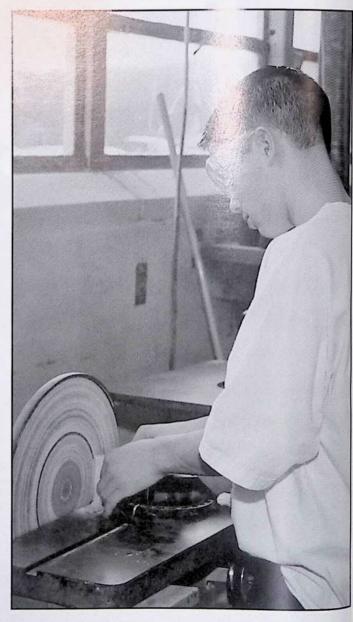


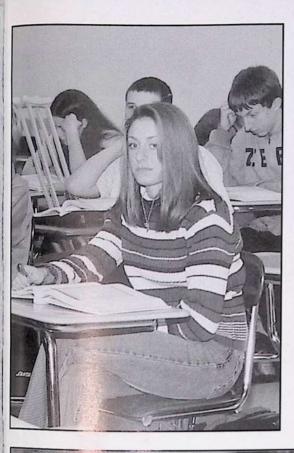


Secrets do tell, sophomores Brent Ferko and David Bauman telling the latest news. "They were talking about me and making fun of my hair" replies Charles Chelecki, who was entertained by their antics.

Spring Cleaning, sophomore Nicole Ball cleans her locker. 'I didn't realize that my locker could fit so much stuff in it," states Nicole.

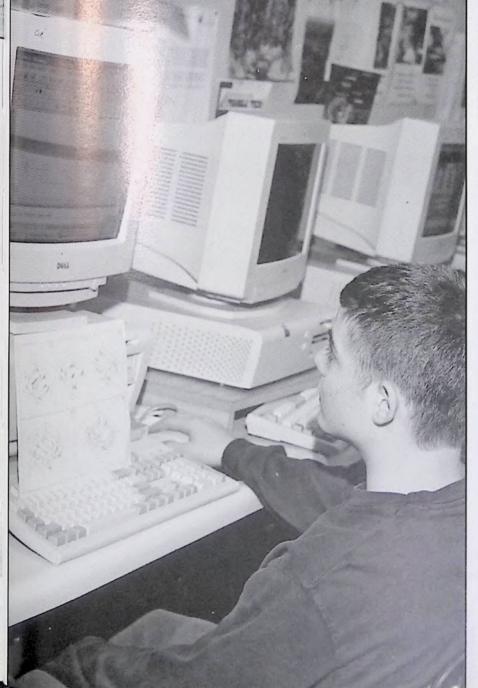






Day Dreaming, sophomore Courtney Callas, looks as if she is pondering todays lunch menu, during Health class. "Actually I was thinking of questions, comments and personal experiences," replies Courtney. Ewww! It's Blue, senior Adam Shilling points to the blue stuff. "We were working on the results of titration when it suddenlty turned blue," states Adam.







Busy Bees in Bio, seniors Brianna Sukala and Autumn Wyant work on a project. "We were doing titration, and trying to find the neutralizing point of both the acid and the base," says Autumn.

Seeing in 3-D, junior Jon Benigni makes a few changes and adds some details on his project. "I was in Tech Drawing doing a 3-D drawing," states Jon.

### **School Board Directors**

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Autumn Wyant and Eric Janoski

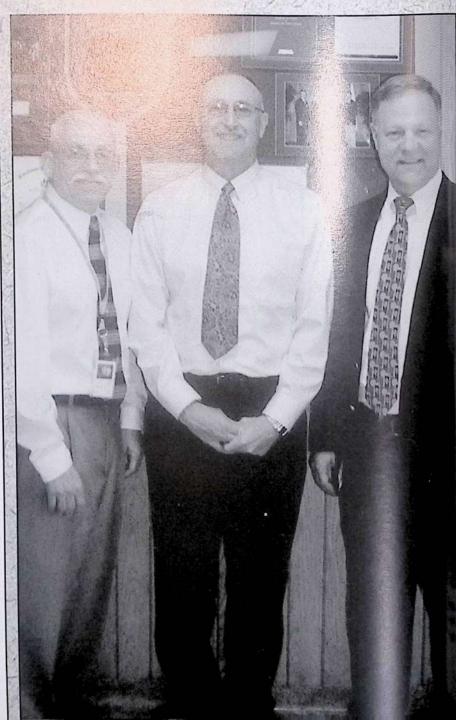


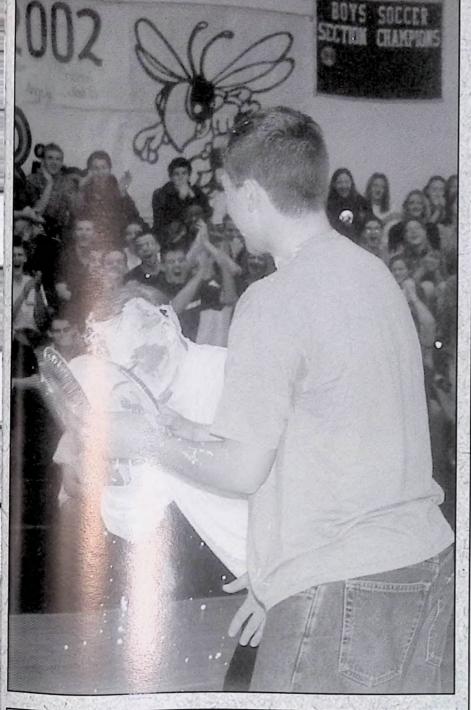
### Administration

(above) Dr. Stan J. Chapp - Program Director Mr. Joseph P. Malak - Superintendent Mr. William L. Reilly - Business Manger

(right) Mr. Max E. Krugle - Senior High Assistant Principal Mr. Robert A. Isenberg - Junior High Principal Mr. Robert M. Schleiden - Senior High Principal









Junior High Cafeteria Staff

Row 1: Cindy Shick, Donna Smith, Joyce Napierkowski, Linda Beggs

Row 2: Pat McCurdy, Margie Swartz, Dianne Schreckengost, Kim Venturino

What A Good Sport, senior Josh Virag and Principal Mr. Schleiden have some fun. "I had to do it for high school students everywhere. I mean, how often do you get to smash a pie in your principal's face?" states Josh.

### Senior High Cafeteria Staff

Row 1: Nacy Camison, Carolyn Cressler, Donna Crabill, Jean Benik, Mark Smith Row 2: Kim Pollino, Melody DiEmidio, Loretta Thompson, Carol Barnes, Adrienna Fritz







#### **Janitors**

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#### **Show Choir**

Left to Right: Krystal Becker, Dan Soltis, Nick Gonzales, Alexandria Baer, Marcie Marker, Noel Aucoin, David Coward, Dianne Bain, Jenna Mosse, Greg Cherry

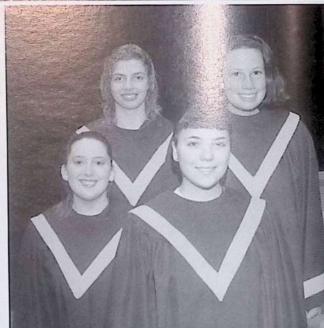
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### **Country Chorus**

Row 1: William Nulph, Corinna Neely, Verity Abbott, Dianne Bain Row 2: Marcie Marker, Laura Corry, Mindy Seagriff, Richard Durst

**District Chorus** 

Row 1: Dianne Bain, Corinna Neely Row 2: Marcie Marker, Mindy Seagriff



Junior High After School Band

Row 1: Ian Heilman, Doug Kersten, Melissa Porter Row 2: Asti Isenberg, Lauren Morrison, Tatum Risch, Dana Turley, Kaytlen Macurdy, Issac Lalim, Russel Greenfield Row 3: Erica Lowry, Jeff Neely, Talyor Patterson, Lindsay Jordon, Alexis Parshook

#### 8th Grade Chorus

Row 1: Issac Lalim, Brandon Dunmyre, Mike Ross, Alan Verduzco, Andrew Hohmann, Nick Parsons, Kellie Hill Row 2: Whitney Yaroschak, Emily Goerl, Amanda Mangol, Melanie Lutz, Emily Paskorz, Asti Isenberg, Marissa DeSalvo, Chelsea Carwile Row 3: Sara Lyle, Cassie Fockey, Carly Kinter, Danielle Mohan, Stephanie Leslie, Serena Mydock, Jenny Himes, Jamie Tabler, Lindsay Jordan, Jessica Klaput Row 4: Kayla Huth, Tiffany Lewis, Bettina Penvose, Kirsten Knappenberger, Sara Jones, Katie Yatzor, Alexis Parshook, Julie Hranica, Emily Benz, Rachel Blythe, Amber Haught, Mr. Gesin





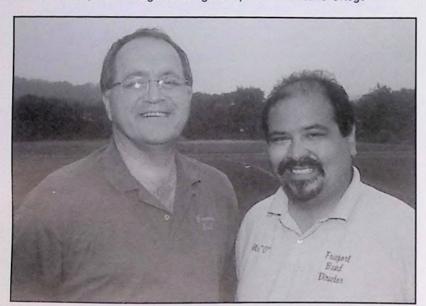


Band Fest Left to Right: Ian Hileman, Casey Hoak, Laren DeMeno, Alexis Parshook, Jeffrey Neely

### 7th Grade Chorus

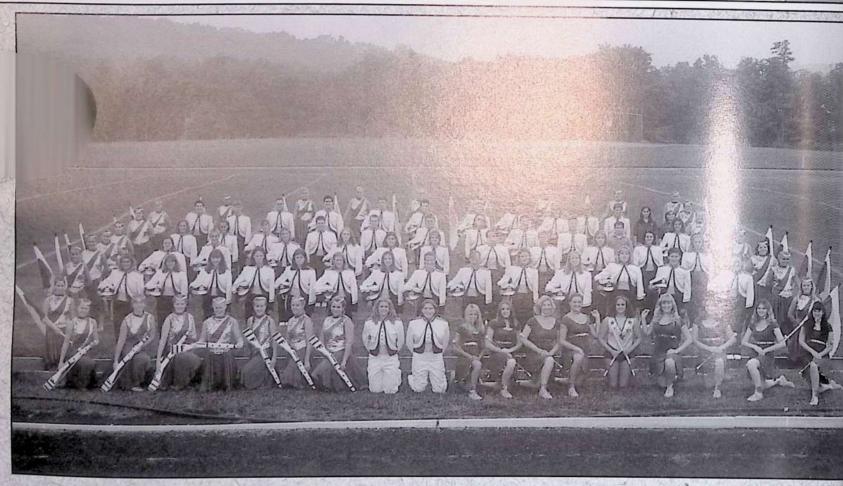
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Band Directors
Richard Pavlik, Mark Ortego Missing from picture: Christine Ortego



**Drum Majors**Senior Drum Major, Rachel Buday and Junior Drum Major, Anne Jeffries





Marching Band (alphabetical order)

Kasey Abbott, Verity Abbott, Bethany Almquist, Nicole Aucoin, Noel Aucoin, Nicole Augustine, Dianne Bain, Danielle Ball, Nicole Ball, Mike Bergstrom, Kasey Betush, Raven Bier, Ray Bowman, Ben Brinkley, Jessica Brinkley, Cherie Buday, Karli Buday, Rachel Buday, Steven Buterbaugh, Kari Calorio, Alyssa Caripolti, Samantha Carnahan, Christina Chelecki, Carrie Clayton, Renee Colpo, Laura Corry, Courtney Cummings, Jennifer DeSalvo, Rudee Dilick, Sarah Dudeck, Bethany Emigh, Sherri Fawcett, Emily Ferguson, Allison Fleischer, Marc Fox, Nicole Frick, Rachael Frye, Laura Garlitz, Claire Greenhill, Emily Greenhill, Brian Grenda, Michelle Grenda, Caitlin Hagins, Olivia Hess, Casey Hill, Ashley Himes, Lanna Horn, Emily Hughes, Kristen Huth, Lindsay Huth, Tasha James, Anne Jeffries, Steven Joos, April Kabay, Tara Karns, Steven Klabnik, Jennifer Kopnicky, Allison Lucas, Lindsay Lucas, Heather Marker, Marcie Marker, Sara McCrea, Kevin McGuire, Bonnie Merchant, Tiffany Merryman, Michelle Micklow, Alicia Miller, Ashley Mohan, Samantha Morrin, Ben Morrison, Jenna Mosse, Joshua Mosse, Kiley Murray, Ashley Orzechowski, Sara Pajer, Frank Palermo, Karla Pastoria, Laney Pastoria, Megan Prazenica, Melissa Roegnik, Adam, Schwab, Jennifer Scovern, Pernell Shaw, Amy Shick, Bethany Slater, Ben Smith, Nick Smith, Jamie Strausser, Heather Tomayko, Nicole Turley, Sheena VanDyke, Leah Weleski, Mindy Wells, Glenna Wilson, Jodi Windows, Andrew Wolf, Kelli Wurmb, Eric Yagoda, Karla Young.



## Majorettes

Row 1: Nicole Augustine, Renee Colpo, Bethany Almquist Row 2: Marcie Marker, Karla Young Row 3: Erica Dupe, Jenna Mosse, Allison Lucas, Olivia Hess





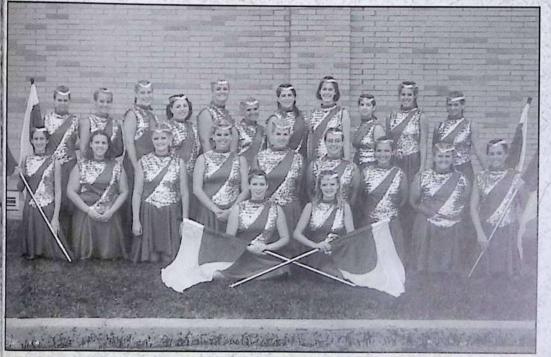


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### Rifles

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Cummings, Alicia Miller



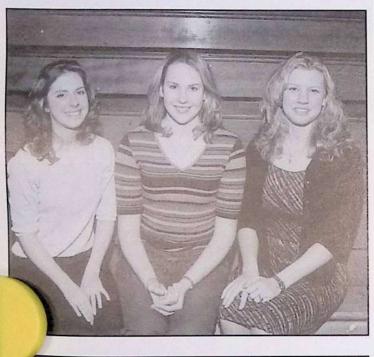
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### Junior Alle-Kiski Band

Row 1: Samantha Canahan, Rudee Dilick, Nicole Aucoin, Tara Karns Row 2: Laura Garlitz, Emily Ferguson, Kristen Huth Row 3: Caitlin Haggins, Michael Bergstrom

> P.M.E.A. District III Honors Band Sarah Dudek, Emily Affrica, Rachel Buday





#### Jazz Band

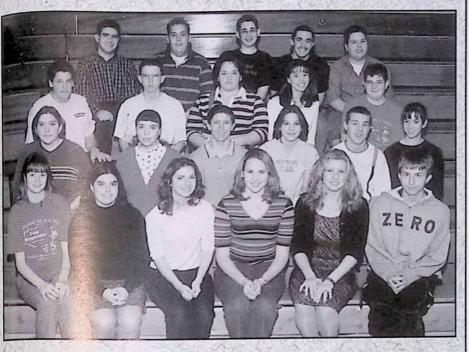
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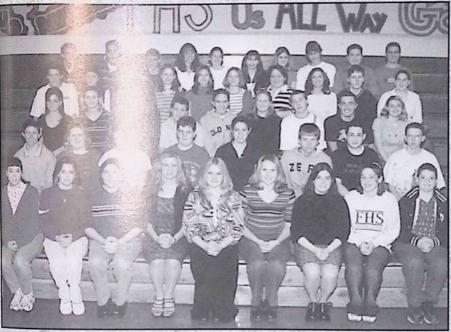




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### Symphonic Band

Row 1: Corinna Neely, Karli Buday, Anne Jeffries, Lanna Horn, Emily Affrica, Nicole Frick, Sara McCrea, Kasey Abbott Row 2: Eric Yagoda, Bonnie Merchant, Cherie Buday, Andrew Wolf, Sherri Fawcett, Steve Klabnik, Marc Fox, Joshua Mosse Row 3: Alyssa Caripolti, Christina Chelecki, Frank Palermo, Ben Brinkley, Mike Bergstrom, Jessica Brinkley, Noel Aucoin, Ben Morrison, Caitlin Hagins Row 4: Kevin McGuire, Nicole Turley, Ashley Mohan, Nicole Aucoin, Rudee Dilick, Tara Karns, Leah Weleski, Sarah Dudeck, Matt Mieckowski, Glenna Wilson Row 5: Steven Joos, Steven Buterbaugh, Nick Deel, Samantha Carnaham, Kristen Huth, Laura Garlitz, Emily Ferguson, Brian Grenda, Nick Smith, Brendan McGregor

### **Armstrong County Band**

Row 1: Ashley Mohan, Nicole Frick, Sarah Dudeck, Emily Affrica, Rachel Buday, Steve Klabnik Row 2: Annie Jeffries, Corinna Neely, Eric Yagoda, Cherie Buday, Noel Aucoin, Megan Prazenica Row 3: Kevin McGuire, Joshua Mosse, Samantha Carnahan, Andrew Wolf, Row 4: Frank Palermo, Steve Buterbaugh, Marc Fox, Ben Morrison, Nick Smith

#### Junior AKV Band

Ashley Mohan, Emily Affrica, Eric Yagoda



### Wind Ensemble

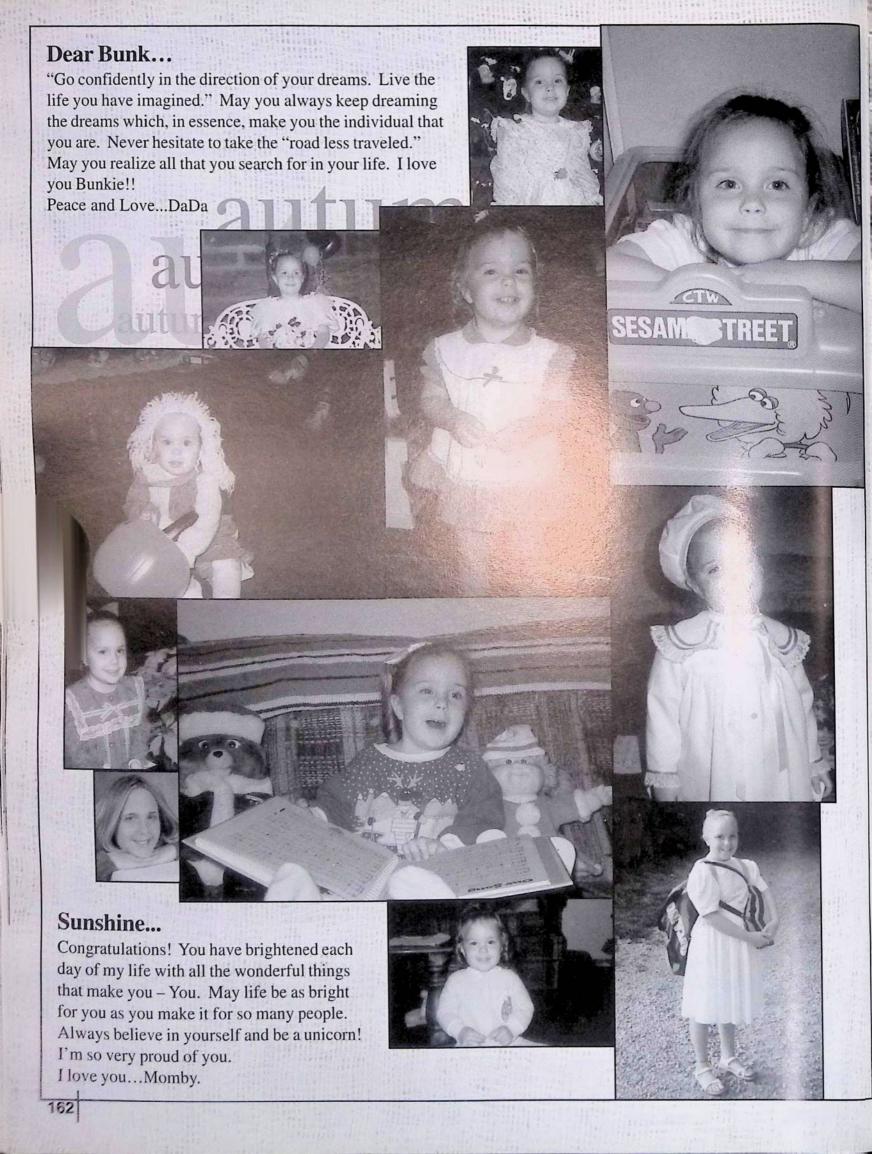
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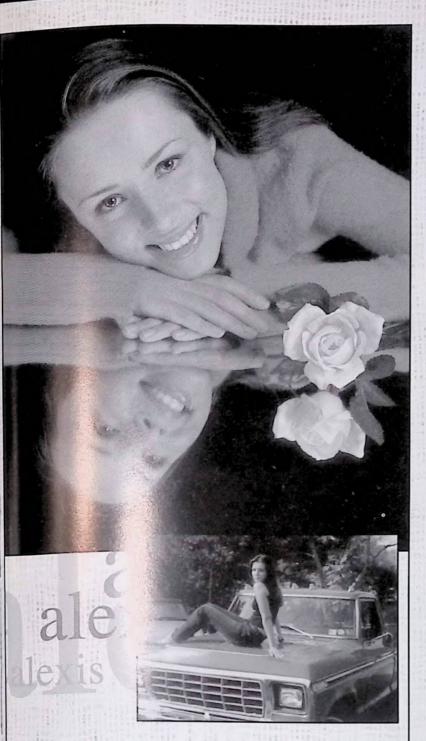
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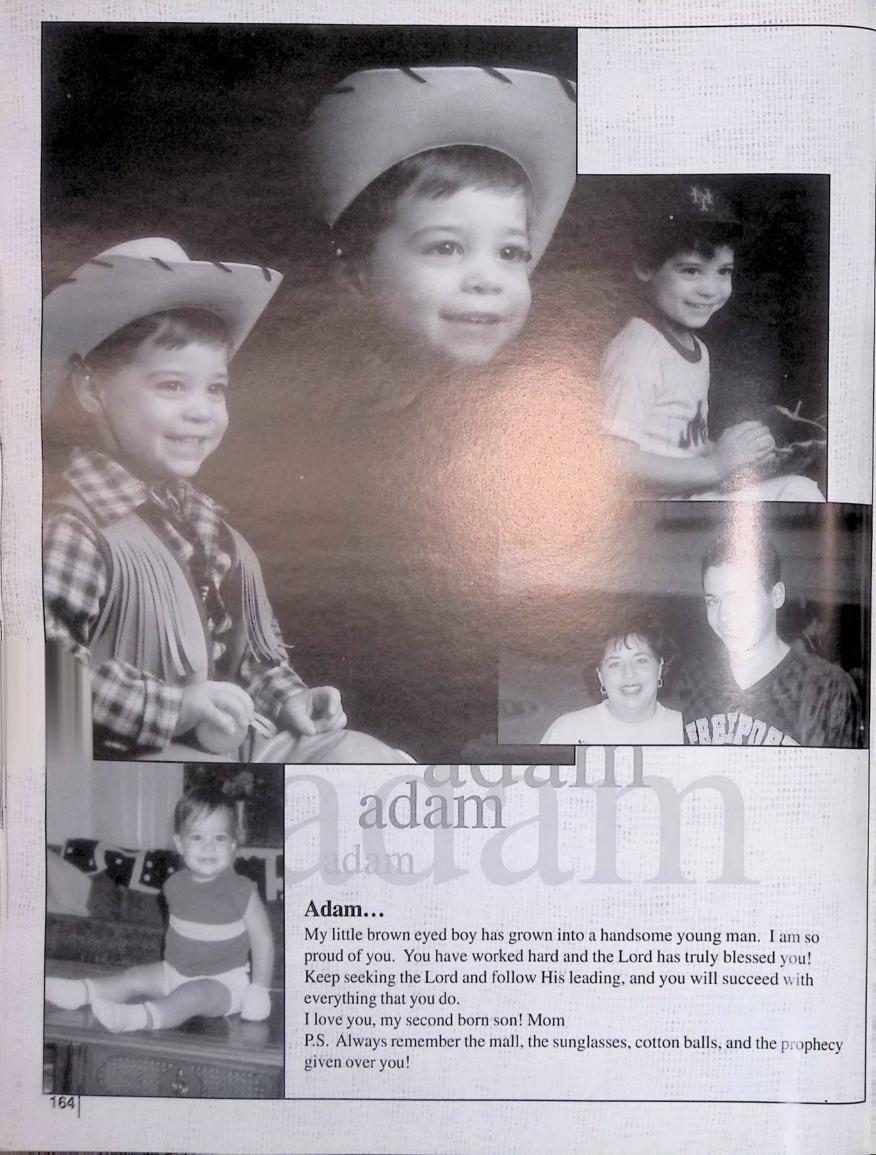
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Love...Mom, Dad, Megan, Josh, Lesley, and Adam



# Nikki & Jason...

We've watched you grow up together since you were born. You've given us so many memories and we're so proud of you! We wish you both all the luck in whatever you set out to do in life. Love...your families



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To someone who has entered this world to capture the love and joy of many and has graced us with her endearing smile.

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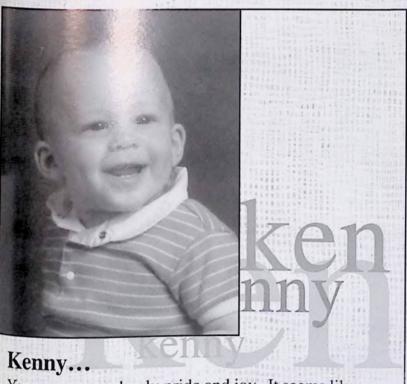
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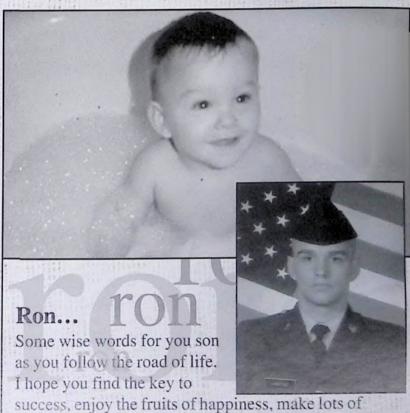
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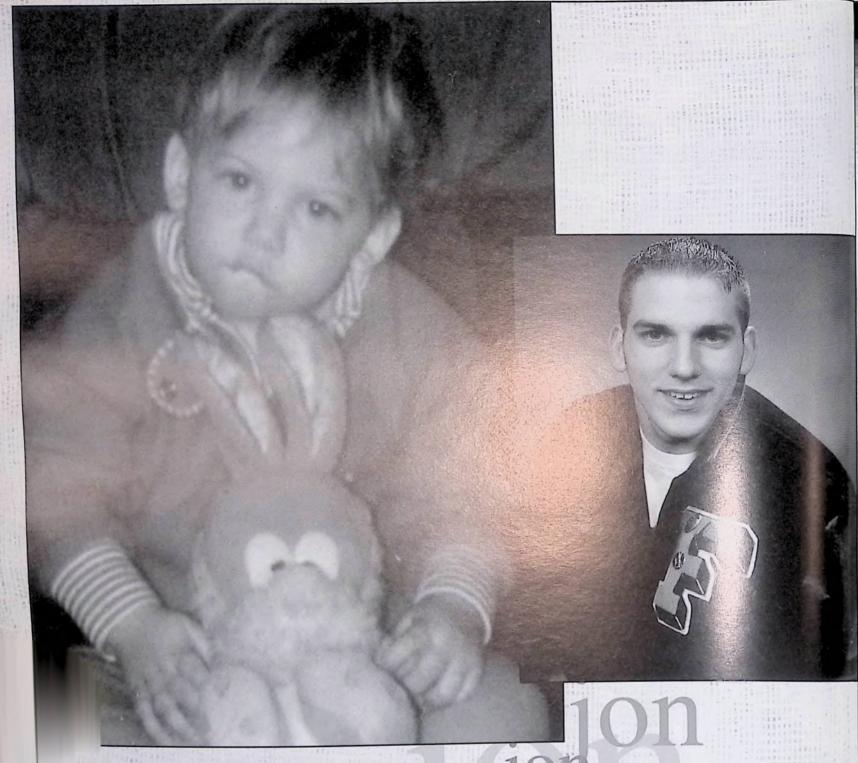


Your our one and only pride and joy. It seems like only yesterday that you truly blessed our lives. It's almost impossible to believe this day is here. Our wish for you is that you'll be happy, prosperous and healthy! Love you always...Mom and Dad



money, use your brain and follow your heart, and stay on your feet. Remember no one else can ever fill your shoes. I just want you to know I am sooo proud of you! And that I'll always be here for you.

Love Always...Mom



# Jon...

It is so hard to put into words the love and pride we feel. You are truly a blessing. Thank you for all the years of love and laughter. We love you! Congratulations!

Love...Mom, Dad, and Nathan



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Luch...

You have brightened our lives more than you can imagine. We have laughed together, cried together, made it through good and bad times together. We have put the FUN in dysfunctional. Take life's opportunities and run with them. Never settle for anything less that the best. Fly with your dreams and when you catch them fly with the next. We are very proud to say we are your family. Remember two things, Dance like no one is watching and slow down! With all our love...Mom, Dad, Jocelyn and Lauren



# Adam...

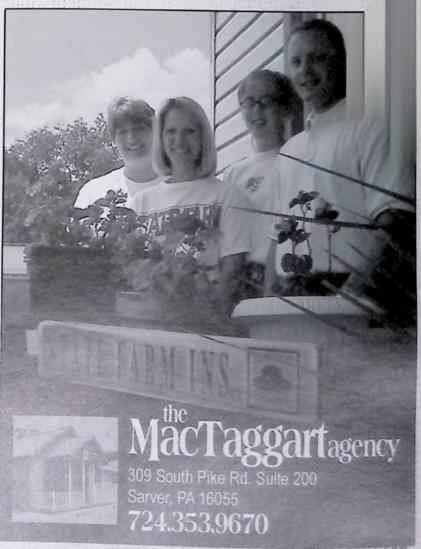
I have watched you from above and I am so very proud of you. Your work ethic and discipline and witness will take you far. Continue on your journey, son, with Jesus as your guide and I will forever watch you from above. I love you...Dad

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# Nicole...

Life holds many blessings and one of the dearest is having a daughter as wonderful as you. Your determination, generosity, kindness, and compassion are the things that make us very proud of you. You are a true leader. We have enjoyed watching you grow into a beautiful woman. As you go out into the world, remember that we will always be there for you. We wish you happiness in whatever you do.

Love...Mom and Dad



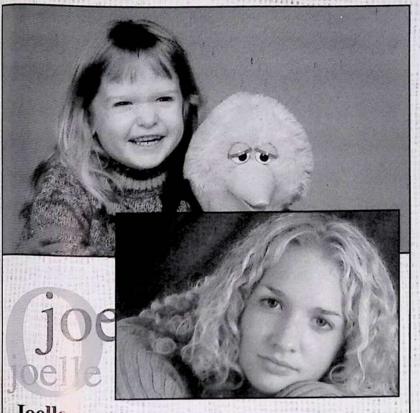
# Chris... Chi S

We are proud of the man you have become and are sure your Mom is smiling down on you lovingly. Stay as you are and your future will be bright. Love...Gram, Pap & Danielle



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Joelle ...

You have been a blessing to us. It has been fun watching you grow up. Good luck in all you do, and renember Jesus loves you and so do we.

Love... Iom Dad

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# Amanda Beth...

Look back and see all the lives that you have touched. Although they will miss you, they know that you will always carry a part of them in your heart. Look forward to a future only limited by the brightest star you wish upon. Today, tomorrow, always. Most of all, we "Hope you Dance."

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Adam. To the best brother ever! We love you Adam! Alan and Davey **COMPLIMENTS OF** 

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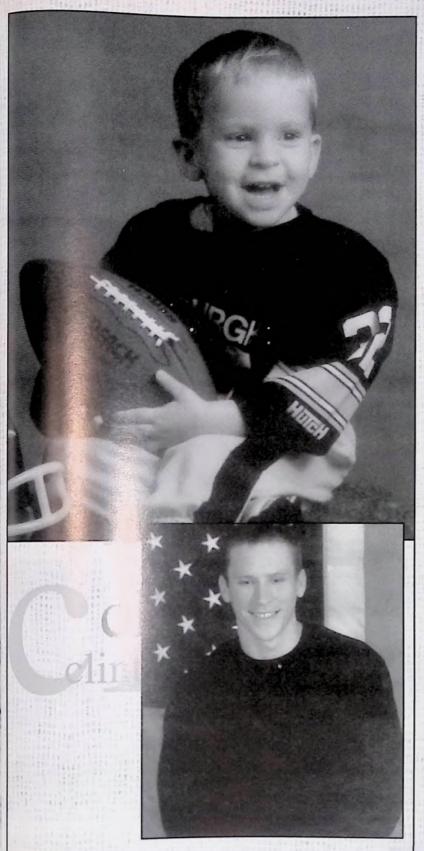
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# Emily...

We are very proud of you and your accomplishments and love you very much! Love...Mom, Jim, Casie, Jamie & Matt



# Clint...

As time flies by, we saw our last little boy become a wonderful young man. The last year has brought changes into all our lives and we are very proud of your decisions and never been more proud of you. Fly high and follow your dreams!

Love...Mom, Dad & Justin

# Josh...

The day you were born, I held you in my arms and I couldn't believe the love I had for you. Now that you are a young man, the love has grown more everyday! You have given us so many laughs and good memories. "Thank you." We are so proud of you! Now that it's time to let you go from my arms, remember God and you family will always be here for you. Believe in yourself and allow your dreams to carry you through life.

We love you...Mom, Fuzz, Nick, Ashley & Kaylie

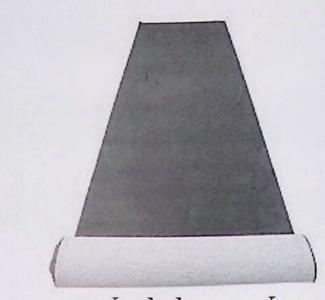






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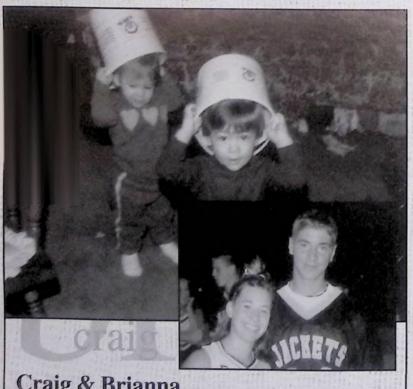
You have grown (How tall are you?) into a beautiful young lady. What a little character you were and still are! We are and always will be proud of you. Keep laughing and smiling! Our love always...Mom, Dad & Sean



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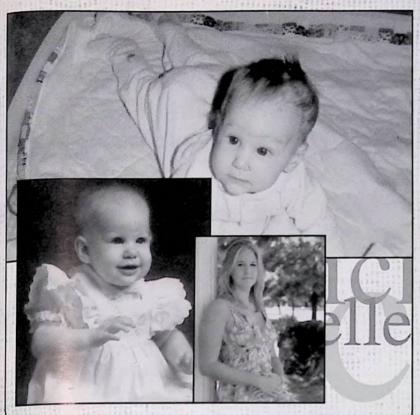




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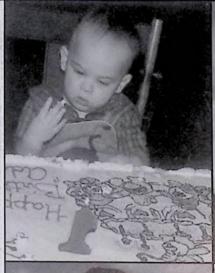
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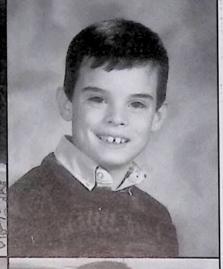
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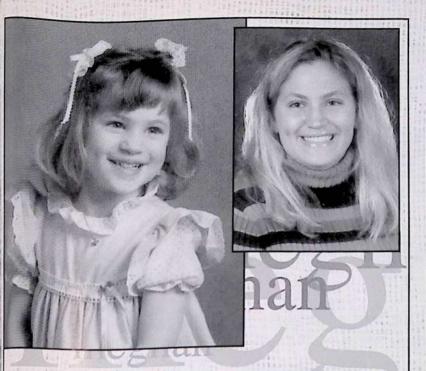
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# advisor's note

Our theme this year is "A Picture is Worth 2002 Words," and the pictures on pages 2 and 3 will be forever etched in memories depicting the tragic events that shocked our nation and the world on September 11, 2001. When we look back at history, we will remember where we were and what we were coing the exact moment we heard the terrible news. At Frespon, the students found themselves moving from class to class in district and glued to the TVs in the classrooms. We were class to class in district and glued to the TVs in the classrooms. We were class to our lives were changed that day and although at this writings have gone back to a relative feeling of normalcy in America, we truly know that the world will never be quite the same for any of us as it was before September 11.

A special thanks to the parents and students who contributed pictures for our yearbook, Valley News Dispatch, LifeTouch employees, parents and businesses who purchased ads, the principals, the administration, the secretaries, the teachers for their understanding when we interrupted class to take pictures, and the very dedicated Senior High yearbook staff, and the Junior High girls who were new to the yearbook staff this year. A special thanks to Leah and Bethany for summer proofreading, Nikki and Jason for working hard the week after school was out and during the summer, and for Nikki's double duty on the index and Jason's great page layout, design, and organization of the yearbook.

Mrs. Fran Conroy Shirey

To say that this book is finished is a huge accomplishment and I'm proud to say that I've gotten the chance to edit it. It takes a lot of hard work to put a 192 page memory book together and I want to thank those who helped, especially Nikki, Beth, Karli, and Leah.

We started out sitting in a conference room at the Sheraton Hotel in Cranberry last summer with a blank slate. From there, the book progressed into what it is now, but along the way it had its bumps and potholes.

We never imagined how the events of 2001 would relate to our theme. The phrase "A picture's worth a 1000 words," or in our case "2002 words," really played out on September 11th as we all watched live and the event of the day happened before our eyes.

To have the chance to be an editor for two years is a remarkable experience and I want to especially thank Mrs. Shirey for all her words of encouragement throughout the entire process. To all the seniors who graduated, I wish you all the best, and to my class, I look forward to an awesome senior year.

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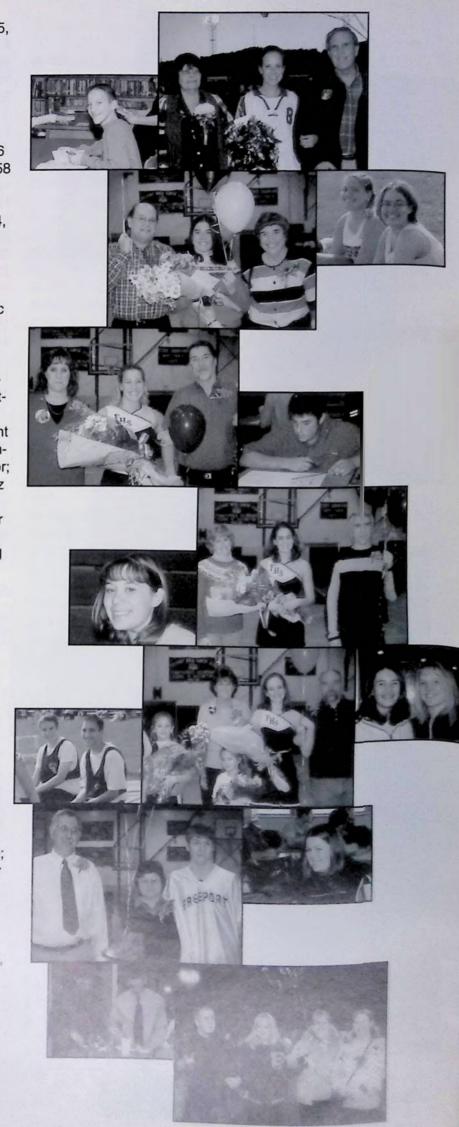
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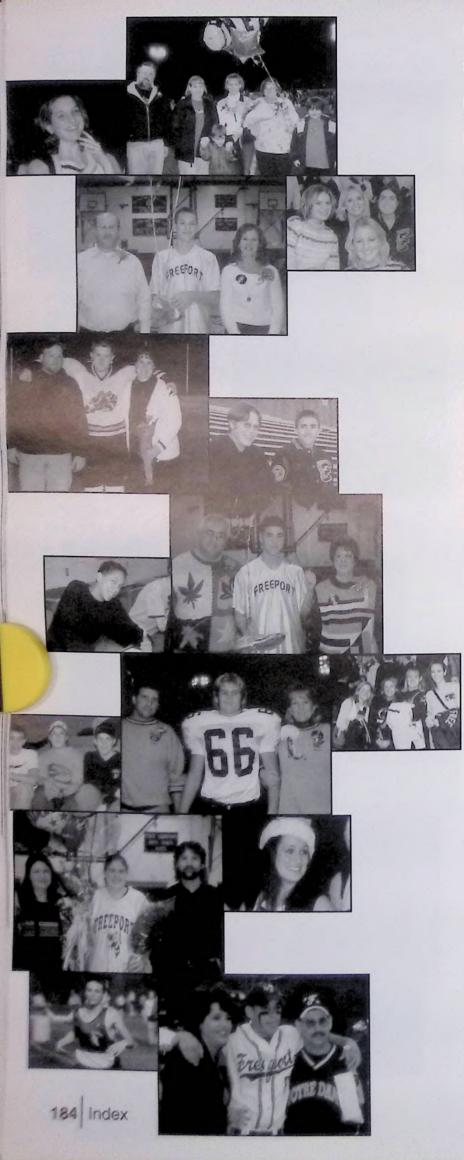


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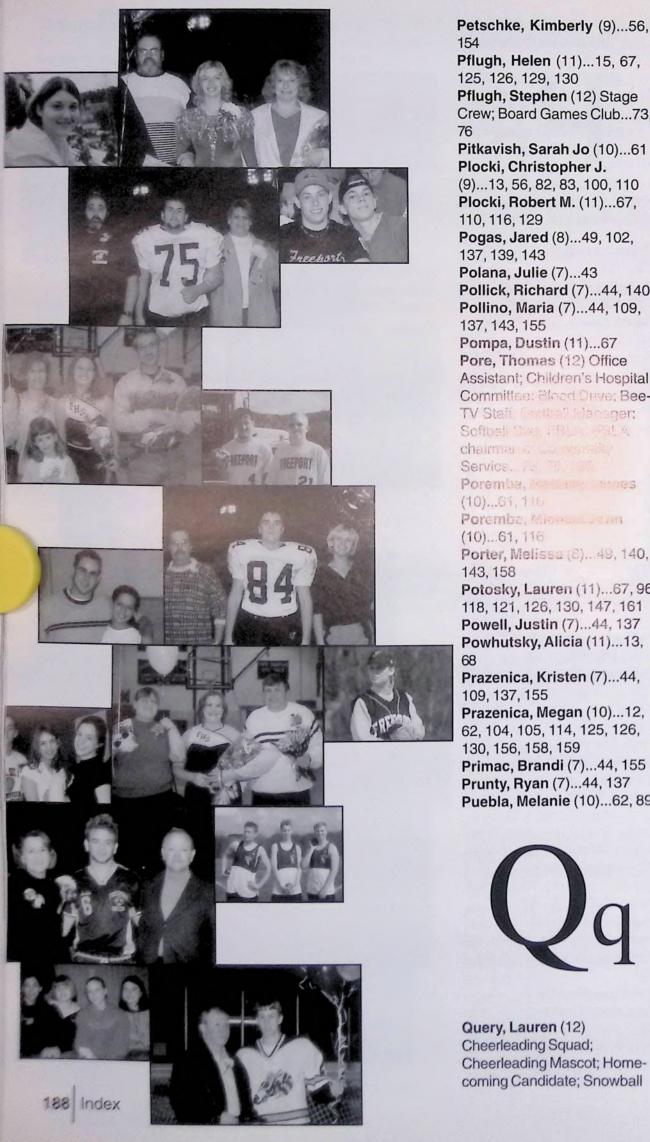
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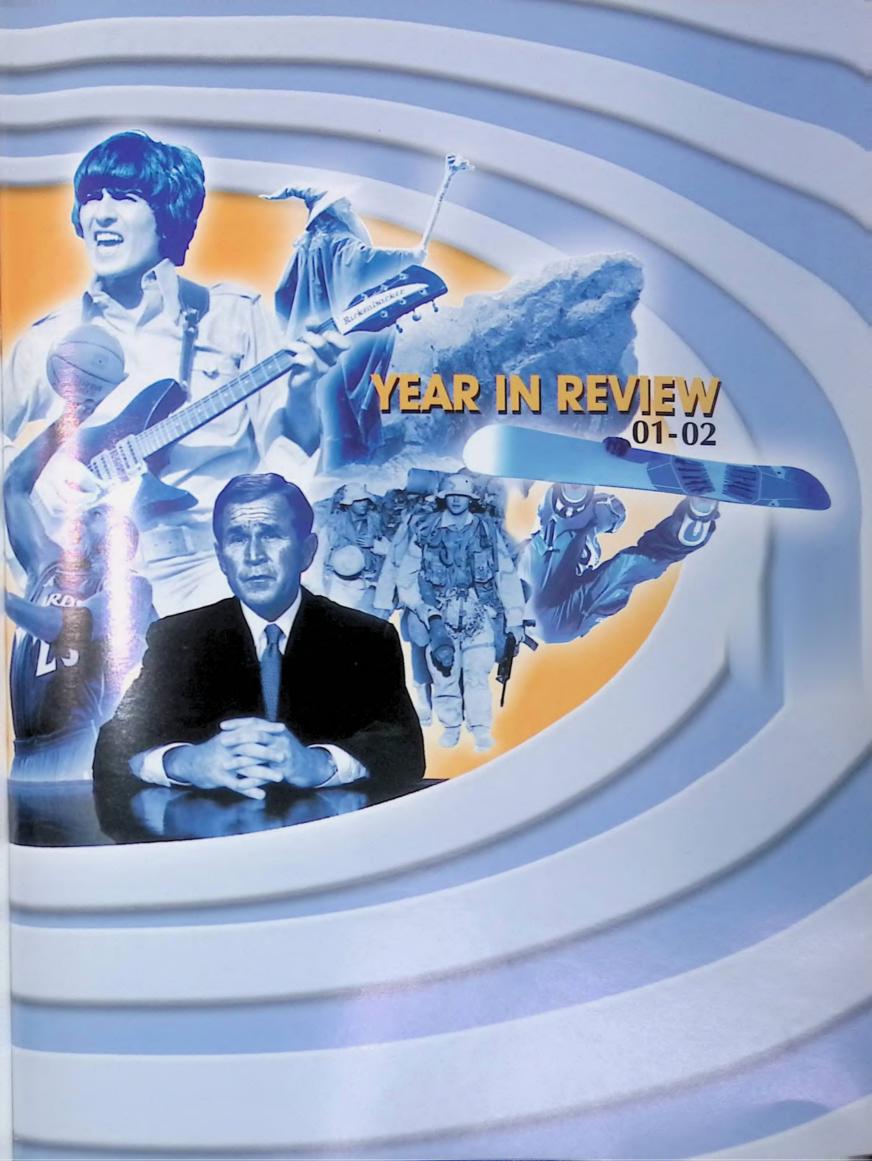
As we find ourselves at the end of another eventful school year, many choices are being made, many tears of joy and goodbyes are being shed, and many words of luck and congratulations are being spoken. During the season of graduation, words are being used that parents and teachers have waited eighteen years to say

The word most heard during the translation would have to be congratulations, and congratulations, indeed. The seniors have put in 13 years of hard work and dedication, and now is the time that they goes as pread their wings and fly. That may be a little too Hadmark for some, but congratulations is truly deserved.

Another word that comes into play at the end of the school year is opportunity. Many opportunities await the class of 2002, and as they say "the world is their oyster." Their parents and teachers have set the stage for great opportunity and now it is the graduates' job, by the decisions they make and which path they choose, to rise up to the occasion.

A word that is sure to be on all the minds of the outgoing seniors is freedom. At first, they were overcome with joy, and not the joy they feel when they find the toy in the lucky charms box, but the dance around their house singing the "yippee, I'm out of high school" song kind of joy. But then it sinks in and they realize that the "real world" can be a pretty scary, unpredictable place. The guidance of their parents and teachers has prepared them to handle their new found freedom.

A word to leave you with now, I suppose, is Goodbye. Now that the seniors have said their goodbyes and the goodbye tears are all dried up, the class of 2002 focuses on their future. Whether their future is in going to college, a trade school, into the military, or into the work force, the futures of the graduates will be filled with many great opportunities and success.



Much like Dec. 7, 1941 (the attack on Pearl Harbor), Sept. 11, 2001 also became "a day that will live in infamy."

At 8:48 a.m., a hijacked American Airlines commercial jetliner crashes into one of New York City's World Trade Center towers. At 9:05, a second plane crashes into the second tower.

As people try to evacuate, the impact and heat from the crash cause the first tower to tumble to the ground in enormous clouds of smoke and debris. The second tower collapses shortly thereafter, leaving nothing but ash, rubble and destruction for miles where one of our nation's greatest landmarks once stood.



vania. More than 4,200 lives are lost in total.

Osama bin Laden and his al Qaeda terrorist network. Bin Laden had been making open threats against America for several years, demanding the U.S. withdraw from the Middle East.

## "Today, our fellow citizens, our way of life, our very freedom came under attack...

Thousands of lives were suddenly ended by evil, despicable acts

of terror...The pictures...have filled us with... terrible sadness and a quiet, unvielding sense of anger."





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the nation, President George W. Bush A anistan's ruling party (the Taliban) hand n. The Taliban attempts to negotiate the demand, saying they will not cooperate Ince of bin Laden's involvement in the tates the demand is non-negotiable, and the U.S. w Take retaliatory action against Afghanistan if they refuse a hand bin Laden over.

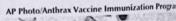
Airlines around the world suffer major setbacks, many declaring bankruptcy. Congress approves an airline assistance package that includes \$15 billion in financial aid and a victim's compensation fund to limit expensive lawsuits that might bankrupt airlines like American and United.

▲ Former Pennsylvania Governor Tom Ridge is appointed by President Bush to head the newly created Office of Homeland Security Cabinet post, which involves coordinating and creating a strategic plan for homeland defense against future terrorist attacks.

"And tonight, the United States makes the following demands on the Taliban...These demands are not open to negotiation or discussion...This is the world's fight...the fight of all who believe in progress...tolerance, and freedom...We will rally the world to this cause by our efforts, our courage. We will not tire, we will not falter, and we will not fail."

### How Will You Remember? Have you followed news coverage of America's War on Terrorism? a. Lread up on everything since Sept. 11 How did your school respond when news h. I know about the major stuff came of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks? a. We watched the news on 84% TV from classrooms 5% Do you think President Bush is doing a good job? b. An assembly was held c. We were sent home 10°0 d. Other I remember feeling the next U.S. President when I heard the news.







President Bush announces plans to starve terrorist groups of all money, and signs an order to freeze all U.S. assets of suspected terrorists, ordering financial institutions do the same.

After repeated refusals from the Taliban to turn over bin Laden, the U.S. and allied British forces begin launching air strikes on Afghan cities, military targets and terrorist camps.

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A The U.S. continue bombing Afghan miles while at the same time dropping food packages, called Humanitarian Daily Rations (or HDRs), from planes to help Afghan refugees at risk for starvation.

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### Names in the News \_People



**◆** Osama bin Laden is the leader of al Qaeda, a worldwide network of terrorists, and is America's most wanted terrorist suspect. Born in Saudi Arabia to a wealthy Yemeni family, bin Laden became an Islamic fundamentalist and turned against Saudi Arabia and the U.S. after working with the Afghan resistance against the former Soviet Union in 1979.

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■ Mullah Mohammed Omar was the supreme leader of Afghanistan's ruling Taliban. Rarely ever photographed, Omar fought beside bin Laden in Afghan

resistance to Soviet occupation. He co ated the Taliban in the early 1990s to put an end to the chaos in Afghanistan and transformed it into what he envisioner as the purest Islamic state in the world



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Alliance, a rebel faction opposing the Taliban regime, captures Kabul (Afghanistan's capital city) after the Taliban, devastated from U.S. and British airstrikes, pull out of the city.

AP Photo/Marin Marin



Former Afghanistan President Burhanuddin Rabbani was recognized by most world governments as the country's legitimate ruler, even during the Taliban's reign. A former professor of Islamic law at Kabul University, he was forced out of power in 1996 by the Taliban, and has since led the anti-Taliban Northern Alliance.

George W. Bush: 43rd U.S. President



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Rudy Giuliani: Mayor of New York City during the Sept. 11 attacks

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Tony Blair is the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, one of the United States' strongest allies. Blair was the first to declare the U.K. at war with terrorism alongside the U.S.



The Bush Administration faces accusations from many that the array of new tactics implemented with the antiterrorism bill, including military tribunals (trials held in secret in which the judges are military officers, a twothirds vote is enough to convict, and there is no need for proof beyond a reasonable doubt), are the worst infringement on civil liberties in decades.

AP Photo/Jim Hollander

▲ About 1,000 U.S. Marines move into Afghanistan to tighten the squeeze on remaining Taliban and al Qaeda leaders by limiting their movements from Kandahar, Afghanistan's second largest city and center of trade.

The Taliban surrenders the city of Kandahar, their last major stronghold. The city falls to looters after the last Taliban fighters flee the area.

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A Hamid Karzai is named the Prime Minister of Afghanan's interim govament. The title is ssed to him by mer Afghanistan esident, Mullah ohammed Omar, arking the first aceful transfer of wer in Afghanistan more than two lecades.

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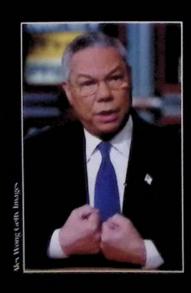
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John Ashcroft: U.S. **Attorney General** 





Donald Rumsfeld: U.S. Defense Secretary

Condoleeza Rice: U.S. National Security Adviser









A videotape is acquired by the Pentagon, showing Osama bin Laden boasting of his involument in the Sept 11 at as, and rejoicing in the of devastation "achieved" the terrorists aboard the nes, some of even know whom did what kind ission they were on ur hey boarded the planes.

British citizen Richard Reid boards trans-Atlantic American Airlines Flight 63, and attempts to light explosives hidden in his shoes. He is subdued immediately by passengers and crew members, and sedated. The plane diverts to Boston, where Reid is arrested. He is later charged on nine counts, and it is discovered he received training in al Qaeda terrorist camps.

The U.S. military sends al Qaeda prisoners to a prison in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. The detainees are questioned for information pertaining to the Sept. 11 attacks, the whereabouts of bin Laden and other attacks that may have been planned.

As the war on terrorism continues, the U.S. rallies the support of the international community. Taking the intelligence gained from prisoners as well as investigations at home, America turns attention to other terrorist havens around the world, such as Abu Sayyaf, a terrorist group in the Philippines allegedly connected with the al Qaeda network.

### Groups

### International Front for Fighting Jews and Crusades

This is a large coalition of groups dedicated to killing Americans and destroying U.S. interests worldwide. It was formed by Osama bin Laden in 1998, and includes al Qaeda (also founded by bin Laden), a network of small terrorist cells operating independently around the world, dedicated to overthrowing Middle Eastern rulers and removing westerners from Muslim countries.

The International Front is partnered with the Egyptian Islamic Jihad, or "Al Jihad." This group was established in the 1970s with the aim of overthrowing the Egyptian government and setting up an Islamic state. The group's leadership is divided between those who favor violent means and those who favor more peaceful means, particularly against U.S. targets.

### Northern Alliance

The Northern Alliance is an Afghanistan rebel faction that has actively opposed the Taliban for five years. Prior to the fall of the Taliban, the Northern Alliance claimed five percent of Afghanistan, while the Taliban controlled the other 95 percent.

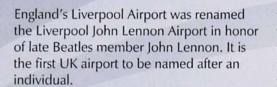
### Abu Sayyaf

Abu Sayyaf is a smaller Islamist group fighting to establish an Iranian-style Islamic state in Mindanao, an island in the southern Philippines. The group, whose name means, "Bearer of the Sword," has ties to a number of Islamic fundamentalist organizations around the world, including Osama bin Laden's al Qaeda and Ramzi Yousef, an individual convicted of organizing the 1993 bombing of the World Trade Center in New York City. Abu Sayyaf has a membership of approximately several hundred young Islamic radicals, many of whom were recruited from universities and high schools.

### I.S.A.F. (Internal Security Assistance Force) Also called the "peacekeepers," the I.S.A.F. was developed



after the collapse of the Taliban to help keep peace in Afghanistan during the interim government's establishment. The peacekeepers consist of British Royal Marines as well as troops sent in by



The collision with a Chinese fighter jet and subsequent landing of a U.S. spy plane on the Chinese island of Hainan raised tensions between the U.S. and China. Through careful negotiations between American and Chinese officials, the U.S. crew, held captive for 11 days, was finally released, and the remains of the plane were returned to the U.S. Labor Party leader Tony Blair was reelected Prime Minister of the United Kingdom, marking the first time in the Labor Party's 100-year history that a candidate was reelected.

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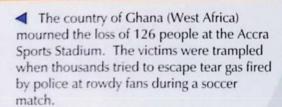
Beijing, China won the right to stage the 2008 summer Olympic Games, despite worldwide concern about China's human rights record. Disappointed rivals for the games included Canada, France, Turkey and Japan.

Euro notes and coins replaced the different kinds of currency previously used in 12 European Union states, including Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Finland, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Portugal, and Spain, becoming Europe's first single currency.

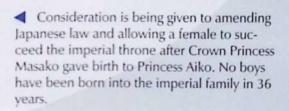














 Firemen in the Australian state of New South Wales battled nearly 100 bush fires that began on Christmas Day, destroying hundreds of homes.

### off the wire!

The United Nations convened a special session of the General Assembly to confront the global AIDS crisis in Africa. Leaders pledged money and research in support of a worldwide "war on AIDS." need of a heart transplay was saved by an unlikely tenor: a Palestinian kill donor: a Palestinian in a dispute with of Israelis. Despite the groups' violent hist donor's father said willing to save a lit less of race or

Britain's farming industry was devastated by an outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease, a virus affecting cloven-hoofed livestock. Tens of thousands of cows, sheep and pigs were destroyed, bringing the meat industry to a standstill.

### **Driving Miss Crazy**

Sprowston, England resident Marlene Lincoln finally passed her driver's test, and it only took her 200 lessons, 12 failures and a total expense of about \$6,800!

Can't Be Bothered with Burglars A German couple at home watching a Formula One motor race on television was so intent on the thrilling event they did not even hear burglars who broke into their house at the same time and made off with about \$4,500 worth of jewelry.

### Diplomatic lovride

When U.S. Secretary of State Colin Powell saw Australian Vince Harmer's classic 1980 Volvo 262 coupe, he just had to drive it. A known Volvo enthusiast, Powell made several phone calls to Harmer's home until Harmer agreed to hand over the keys. allowing Powell to take the cherry red Volvo "for a spin" to a state dinner.

### Dad? Son!

A London taxi driver found the son he last saw 34 years ago – as a passenger in the back of his cab. Noticing they had the same surname, the passenger discovered the driver was his father, whom he had



Idaho recluse JoAnn McGuckin was arrested and charged with a

felony crime of "injury to the chil-

dren" after police learned she had

attempts to remove the children

from their home led to a standoff

in which five of the children kept

and dogs.

▲ The Ford Motor Company recalled 50,000 brand new Explorer SUVs because an assembly line conveyor voluntarily deprived her six children belt that was too narrow of food, cleanliness and heat. Police for 2002 models may have cut the tire tread. Ford later announced it would cut 35,000 jobs and close five authorities at bay for days with guns plants worldwide.

AP Photo/Paul Sancya

▲ The FBI arrested eight people allegedly involved in a scheme that stole more than \$13 million worth of McDonald's prizes from games like "Monopoly" and "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire." The criminal ring involved Simon Marketing, Inc., a company responsible

for McDonald's game security.



Kansas City, Mo. pharmacist Robert Courtney was charged with diluting chemotherapy drugs. The wealthy pharmacist admit ted to tampering with medications in the past to increase profits.

The oldest known pair of Levi's jeans (circa 1880s) was auctioned on eBay and purchased by Levi & Strauss Co. for a record \$46,532, the highest price ever paid for a pair of blue jeans.

U.S. Congressman Gary Condit announced plans to run for reelection, despite the public calling for his resignation after he was implicated in the disappearance of 24-yearold intern Chandra Levy.

AP Photo/Justin Sullivan

AP Photo/Ron Edmonds





The economic slowdown that began in 2000 spread throughout the economy in 2001. The Sept. 11 attacks shut down major financial markets for several days, and October saw the highest job losses in 21 years, with 415,000 positions cut. In December, the Fed cut interest rates for a record 11th time within the year.









AP Photo Center for Shark Research at Mote Marine Lab/Heather Sariego

▲ TV Producer Norman Lear purchased a 1776 original copy of the Declaration of Independence for \$8.14 million to take on a showand-tell tour of American schools. The tour included a Fourth of July star-studded reading of the document in Philadelphia.

▲ U.S. Senator James Jeffords shook the Senate balance by switching from Republican to Democrat. His defection gave the Democrats majority control for the first time since 1995.

Summer news was full of shark attack stories, beginning with the near-fatal attack on 8-year-old Mississippi native Jessie Arbogast, who had his arm surgically reattached after being bitten by a shark off the Florida Gulf Coast.

### off the wire!

donor for developing an unbreakable code that contributed to a U.S. vic-lory in World War II.

New York governor George Pataki signed a bill into law banning the use of hand-held cellular phones while driving, making New York the first state to pass such a law.



### Peer Poll

■ Do you think it should be illegal to use cell phones while driving?

YES 30% 70% NO

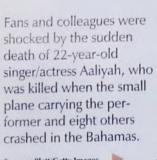
talk on my phone when driving. (Do or Don't)

(Survey results compiled from the responses of 2000 students across the U.S.)

The success of the bluegrass soundtrack to the Cohen Brothers' movie "O Brother Where Art Thou" led to Album of the Year and Single of the Year awards (for "I am a Man of Constant Sorrow") at the 35th Annual Country Music Awards.

Pop artist Fatboy Slim dominated the MTV Video Music Awards, taking six of the 21 awards, including Best Video Direction, for "Weapon of Choice," directed by Spike Jonze. Country music legend Waylon Jennings, known for defining the "outlaw" movement, died at age 64 after a long battle with diabetes-related health problems. Formerly Buddy Holly's bassist, Jennings recorded 60 albums, had 16 No. 1 country singles, and yes, he was the narrator and theme song vocalist on the TV series "The Dukes of Hazard."





Spencer Platt/Getty Images

Anniversary Celebration, "The Solo Years," at New York City's Madison Square Garden, marked the King of Pop's first U.S. concert in 11 years. Jackson was named Performer of the Century during the 29th Annual American Music Awards,



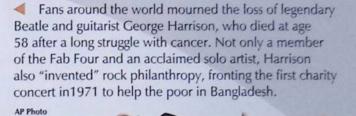
Vince Bucci/Getty Images



Internet music service
Napster is up and runnin
again, but this time as
a subscription-based service that will allow Napster to make royalty
payments to those music
cians whose music is
traded.

Teen-pop idols N'Sync posted the second-best debut-week sales numbers in history when they sold nearly 1.9 million copies of their 2001 album "Celebrity." Who holds the best sales record? N'Sync does, with their 2000 album "No Strings Attached," which sold 2.4 million copies.

AP Photo/Chris Pizello



150-pound pig, learned to paint (by taking paints from various buckets onto a canvas) his work has been in high demand. Some o

and presented with a "toy Yoda" doll, as in

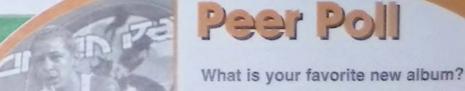


Two morning DJs were fired from the Dallas, Texas rock station KEGL-FM after falsely reporting that Britney Spears was killed in a car crash that left her boyfriend, 'N Sync's Justin Timberlake, in a coma. The hoax caused widespread panic throughout the teen pop fan community.

Both old and new-school hip-hop and rap artists (including Grammy nominees Outkast and Ludacris) signed on to perform at the first-ever, three-day Beyond 2002 Super Festival in Miami's Bicentennial Park. The event features concerts, rap "battles" and extreme sports demonstrations.

### off the wire!

More than 200 rap artfirst Hip-Hop Summit, an event organized by Def Jam Records founder Russell Simmons to clean up rap music's violent image and regulate lyrics. Singer Joey Ramone, the front man for the Ramones, died at age 49, shortly after being hospitalized for cancer. Ramone is considered one of the the "fathers" of punk rock.



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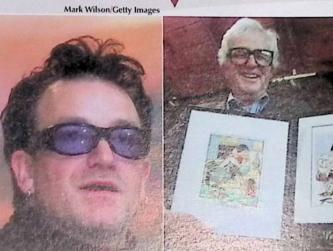
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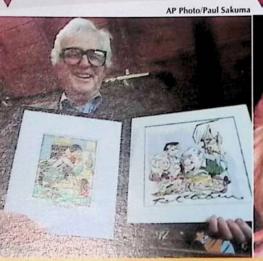
My favorite album:

Hank Ketcham, creator of the "Dennis the Menace" comic strip, which ran for 50 years in 1,000 newspapers throughout 48 countries, died at the age of 81.

Singer/actress Mariah Carey was admitted to a Westchester County, N.Y., hospital after suffering what her publicist called an emotional and physical breakdown.

Rock singer Bono was honored with a special tribute from fellow celebrities at the First Annual "Love Rocks: Celebrating The Biggest Hearts in Entertainment" Hollywood fundraiser. In his two decades as front man for the politically active rock group U2, Bono has promoted and raised money for many causes, including debt relief and AIDS awareness in the Third World.











Congress awarded its highest civilian honor to "Peanuts" creator Charles Shultz, saying the comic strip characters created by the cartoonist "embodied human potential." Schultz died in 2000, and his widow Jean accepted the award in his place.

AP Photo/Dennis Cook





◀ Actress Angelina Jolie was appointed ambassador for the United Nations High Commissioner of Refugees. She will work with U.N. High Commissioner Ruud Lubbers to help bring refugee issues to the attention of young people.



◀ Timothy McVeigh was put to death by lethal injection on June 11, six years after he parked a truck bomb next to an Oklahoma City federal building, killing 168 people.



◀ Rhode Island's Brown University inaugurated Ruth J. Simmons as the new president in October. Simmons is the first black woman to lead an Ivy League University.



◀ Cartoon legend Chuck Jones, creator of famous characters like the Road Runner and Bugs Bunny, died of heart failure at the age of 89. Jones won three Academy Awards and a Lifetime Achievement Award, and was the first inductee into the Animation Hall of Fame.



Some of the people America will most remember in 2001 and for years to come are those who risked their lives to save others during and after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.



 As terrified crowds poured down the stairs and out of the Word Trade Center towers, firefighters and police made their way in. Through rubble and darkness, they provided oxygen masks and helped people escape to safety. By nightfall on Sept. 11, the estimate of those missing or killed in the line of duty included more than 300 firefighters and at least 85 police officers.



Outgoing New York City Mayor Rudy Giuliani, who rallied his city after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks and helped nurture its recovery, was named Time magazine's 2001 Person of the Year.





- One of the four hijacked planes in the ter ist attack, United Airlines Flight 93, crashed near the woods of Shanksville, Pa. The FBI believes the plane was intended for another strategic target (possibly the White House) and that some of the passengers, including Thomas Burnett and Jeremy Glick, battled the plane crashed. Both Burnett and Glick had phoned family members and spoke of a plan to foil the hijackers. "We are all going to die," Burnett reportedly told his wife minutes before the crash, "but a group of us is going to do something about it." with the hijackers in the final moments before
- ◀ Thousands of American Red Cross volunteers across the country came to the aid of Sept. 11 attack victims, raising money and collecting blood donations. The Red Cross set up the Liberty Fund which collected approxiip the Liberty Fund which collected approxi natery Sout million intended to help vice and the tamines of those who died reported missing after Sept. 14

At \$2 billion, the 2002 Olympic Winter Games in Salt Lake
City, Utah were the most expensive winter games ever. But
despite beefed-up security and underlying worry
over terrorist acts, this year's games, themed
"Light the Fire Within," burned strong
with patriotism, pride and
amazing athletic performances.

AP Photo/Tom Hanson

Ross Powers, Danny Kass and Jarret Thomas took the gold, silver and bronze in the men's halfpipe (giving the U.S. its first Winter Olympics in Kelly Clark also took the gold in the wome halfpipe.

### Salt Lake 2002



AP Photo/Amy Sancetta

In a decision that sparked shock and controversy, Russian ice skating pair Elena Berezhnaya and Anton Sikharulidze won the gold over Canadian skaters Jamie Sale and David Pelletier, despite a flawless performance by the Canadian pair. The issue was investigated, leading to the suspension of French figure skating judge Marie-Reine Le Gougne, who was charged with misconduct, and the highly unusual awarding of a second gold medal to

Sale and Pelletier. The Russians kept their gold

as well.



AP Photo/Douglas C. Pizac

Security measures at the winter games were at an all-time high in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks. Visitors were scanned with metal detectors, and all vehicles were detained and searched before entering. Surveillance cameras watched entrances, exits, highways and parking lots, while sensors monitored local food, air and water supplies for chemical and biological toxins.



AP Photo Tlaine Thom

American Derek
Parra got the gold and
set a new world record
in the men's 1500 meter
speedskating event, finishing in 1:43.95, more
than a second faster than
the previous record of
1:45.20, held by South
Korea's Lee Kyu-hyuk.

The journey of the Olympic Torch across the country had a special twist this year. A group of 100 specially chosen torchbearers, survivors of Sept. 11 terrorist attack victims, carried the flame through the three areas hit by the attacks (New York City, Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania).

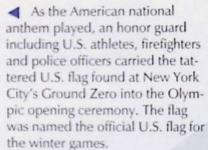
Italian Armin Zoeggeler became the first man in 12 years to defeat German Georg Hackl in an Olympic luge competition, with a finish time of 2:57.941. Aiming to make history by winning four straight gold medals at the winter Olympics, Hackl took the silver instead, finishing at 2:58.70.

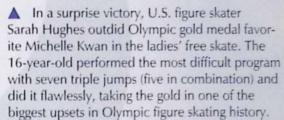




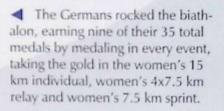












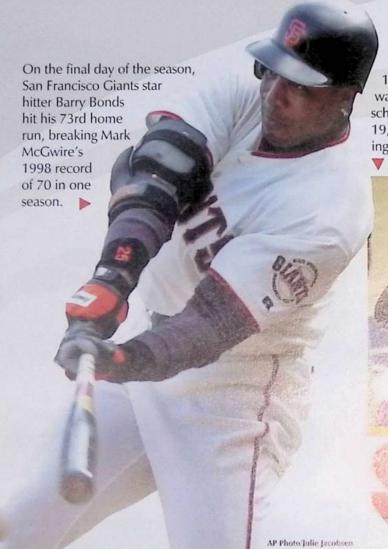


◀ The U.S. bobsled team
of Jill Bakken and Vonetta Flowers
won the inaugural women's Olympic bobsled race with a two-run time
of 1:37.76. Flowers became the first
African American athlete to ever win
a gold medal at the Winter Olympics.



■ Jim Shea captured the gold for the U.S. in the men's skeleton with a time of 1:41 96, and made his family the first to produce three generations of American Olympians. Shea's grandfather, Jack, won two speed skating golds at the 1932 Lake Placid Games and Shea's father James, competed in three nordic events at the 1964 Innsbruck Games.

MEDAL COUNT Top Five Countries	Certif	Jrite Unite	d States Horn	anad Canad	a Austria
Gold	12	10	11	6	2
Silver	16	13	-7		
Bronze				8	10
Total				17	16



For the first time, the No. 1 choice of the NBA draft was picked while still a high school senior. Kwame Brown, 19, was drafted by the Washington Wizards.

Colorado Avalanche defenseman Ray Bourque finally got his hands on the Stanley Cup when the Avalanche beat the New Jersey Devils, 3-1, in game seven of the finals. Shortly after the victory, Bourque announced his retirement from hockey.

After 20 previous playoff losses,

AP Photo/Doug Mills

AP Photo/David Zalubowski

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As a backup kicker for Alabama's Jacksonville State University, 20-year-old Ashley Martin kicked her way into college football history as the first woman to play, and score, in an NCAA Division 1 game.



AP Photo Chris Gardner

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▲ Little League Baseball officials ordered the Bronx all-star team to forfeit all wins after it was discovered the squad's star pitcher, Danny Almonte, was 14, two years beyond the Little League age limit. Almonte's birth information had been falsified by his father.

▲ The football community mourned the sudden death of Minnesota Vikings' lineman Korey Stringer, who died from heatstroke during an intense practice at the team's training facility. His death caused coaches and athletes everywhere to consider the dangers of heat exhaustion and harsh practice sessions.

### Peer Poll

Who was the year's most noteworthy sports figure?

- 1. Michael Jordan
- 2. Barry Bonds
- 3. Kobe Bryant ▶

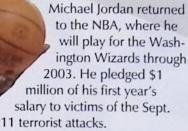
My personal "MVP"



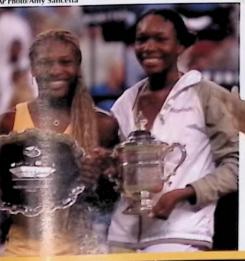
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The U.S. Open women's final saw the first pairing of sisters (Venus and Serena Williams) since 1983, and the first all African-American final. Venus defended her title by beating Serena, 6-2, 6-4.

AP Photo/Amy Sancetta



AP Photo/Mary Chastain









▲ Thanks to an RBI single by Luis Gonzalez at the bottom of the ninth during game seven of the World Series, the Arizona Diamondbacks won their list championship, beating the New York Yankees,

▲ Football fans watched a close Super Bowl XXXVI game when the "underdog" New England Patriots beat the St. Louis Rams, 20-17, with a last second, 48-yard field goal. The win was the Patriots' first after three trips to the NFL title game.

### off the wire!

After 16 seasons and 583 home runs, superslugger Mark McGwire of the St. Louis Cardinals announced his retirement from baseball.

Despite their defeat at the hands of Colorado the hands of Colorado, the Nebraska Cocolouskers were the controversial choice to play the Mami Hurricanes for the national championship in college football's 2002 Rose flowl. Miami beat Nebraska

"Iron Man" Cal Ripken announced his retirement at the end of the 2001 baseball season. The 20-year Baltimore Orioles veteran is one of seven baseball players with more than 400 homers and 3,000 hits.

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### Midnight Snack

An Albuquerque policeman and his pilot faced disciplinary measures after using a police helicopter to land next to a Krispy Kreme doughnut store, where they ran in, grabbed a dozen, and took off again.

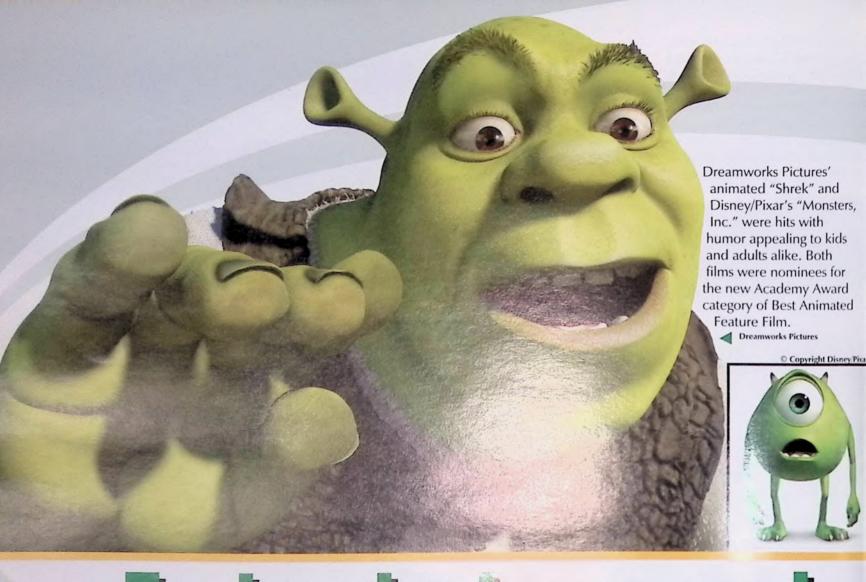
### **Lobster Spared**

A head chef in London's elite Mayfair district spared the life of Barney, a giant lobster thought to be one of the largest lobsters caught in Europe. The chef said he could not bring himself to sacrifice such a beautiful lobster, and Barney was escorted back into the ocean by a diver from a local aquarium.

### Duck, Duck...Cop

Vancouver sewer grate, their mother waddled over and persistently grabbed the leg of a nearby policeman until he followed her to the sewer. The babies were discov-ered and lifted to safety in a vegetable

Saved by the Phone
Britain's Royal Air Force saved the life of a missing climber trapped on a remote Welsh hillside by sending him a text message on his mobile phone. The injured climber picked up the message, and directed a rescue helicopter toward him.



### Entertainme



NBC's "The West Wing" won best drama series of the year and swept the 53rd Annual Prime Time Emmy Awards for the second year in a row with eight Emmys. The Emmy Awards were postponed twice because of the Sept. 11 attacks.



AP Photo/Kevork Djansezian

Ethan Zohn, a 27-year-old New Yorker, took the \$1 million prize in the third season of reality TV series "Survivor." This year's challenge took place in Africa.



AP Photo-File HO



Do you watch reality-based TV shows like "Survivor?"

a. Always. Tina Wesson won "Survivor 2."

b. Once in a while 62.5%

c. Nope. What is "Survivor?" 27.5%

My favorite TV show:



The popular teen drama "Buffy the Vampire Slayer switched from the WB teld vision network to rival network UPN, making television history as the first time a hit series jumped networks solely over economic issues.

famed for his role as he sardonic Archie Bunker on "All in the family," actor Carol D'Connor died of a heart attack at ige 76.

Mel Brooks' Broadway musical "The Producers" took home a record 12 Tony awards in 2001, beating the record of 10 set in 1964 by "Hello, Dolly."

Lemmon, most wellknown for his roles in the 1968 "The Odd Couple" movie and the "Grumpy Old Men" movies, died at age 76.

Oscar-winning actor Jack











Oscar history.



Eagerly-awaited films based on old (and not so old) favorites included "Planet of the Apes," "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and "Lord of the Rings." After opening weekends, "Potter" grossed the most with a record

\$93.5 million, and "Lord of the

emy Awards, the second highest in

Rings" was nominated for 13 Acad-



The 1960 Alfred Hitchock film "Psycho" topped e American Film Institute's of the 100 most thrilling merican Movies. "Jaws" and The Exorcist" took second nd third place.



More than 30 television networks along with 8,000 radio stations and Internet sites across the country simultaneously broadcast the live special "America: A Tribute to Heroes." The show was a two-hour, star-studded telethon that raised more than \$150 million for the victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Director Ron Howard's "A Beautiful Mind," won best drama, best actor (Russell Crowe), best supporting actress (Jennifer Connelly), and best screenplay at the 59th Annual Golden Globe Awards, and was nominated for eight Academy Awards, including Best Film of the Year.

### Peer Poll

What was your favorite movie this year?

- 41. The Fast and the Furious
  - 2. Lord of the Rings
  - 3. Pearl Harbor

My favorite movie:

### off the wire!

The fashion magazine
"Mademoiselle," first
published in 1935, went
out of business, citing
inancial problems y the Sept. 11 attacks

Fans bid farewell to the Emmy-winning sci-fi series "The X-Files," which ended its nine season run on Fox television network.

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Advanced Cell Technology President and CEO Michael West announced the company was the first in the U.S. to successfully clone a human embryo for the purpose of mining stem cells. Throughout the year, the controversy over the ethics of stem cell usage, a process which may help scientists treat serious diseases, has grown because the cells are taken from human embryos, causing the embryo to be destroyed.

U.S. multimillionaire Dennis Tito became history's first space tourist when he paid \$20 million to travel with two Russian cosmonauts to the International Space Station.

AP Photo/Mikhial Metzel

The AbioCor artificial heart was named *Time* magazine's Invention of the Year. 59-year-old Robert Tools received the first fully implanted artificial heart in July.

Advanced Cell Technology/Getty Images

# science and townology

Inventor Dean Kame weiled the Segway HT, the first self-balance battery-powered human transporter. The evice, which travels at a top speed of the miles per hour, uses gyroscopes to keep it upaght. Direction is controlled by the order's shifting weight.

XM Satellite Radio hit the nation's

airwaves in September. XM offers
100 channels of music and
talk, with limited advertising
on the various channels.
Programming is broadcast to satellites in
space, which send it
to radio receivers.

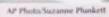
XM Satellite Radio

Iniversity of Connecticut Proessor Jerry Yang, who cloned he first mammal in the U.S. Amy, the calf) cloned a new nimal - a cat that will not cause llergic reactions in humans.

P Photo/John Gaps III







NASA's Mars Odyssey was the first spacecraft to successfully reach Mars since two spacecraft were lost in 1999. The \$300 million, 1.7-ton ship was designed to search for water, map surface







▲ The first total solar eclipse of the millennium created a spectacle of darks and lights over central Africa, where crowds of astronomers and onlookers assembled to watch the event.

### off the wire!

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved Gleevec, a breakthrough cancer-fighting drug which, unlike traditional cancer therapies, attacks only cancer cells without also harming healthy cells.

Cyborgs, creatures that ac half machine and half animal, are no longer sci-ence fiction. Researchers in Chicago fused the brain of a lamprey eel with a small robot. The eel's brai finds light, then directs the

Paleontologists found the oldest known dinosaur tossifs in Brazil. The fos when dinosaurs were first vide clues about how they

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### Tip of a Lifetime

Waitress and struggling single mother of two Colleen Gallagher was given an \$11,000 tip by John Boc, chief executive of Meridian Investments, Inc. at Chicago's Excalibur Club where she worked.

### Whiz Kid

California high school senior Trevor Loflin scored a perfect 1600 on his SAT despite the handicap of having lived the past three years with his mother and sisters in the back of their Chevy Suburban.

### Homer's Odyssey

The Oxford English Dictionary, which traces the coining of words, has credited cartoon dad Homer Simpson with popularizing, if not inventing, his trademark "d'oh," which the OED defines as 'expressing frustration at the realization things have turned out badly or that one has said or done something foolish."

Strange Brew
NASA amounced plans to send
unmanned solar-powered aircraft over
Hawaiiaa colive plantations to monitor
the optimizations for growers to pick
hears for the most flavorial brew.



Everyone's Talking Run to the Bank People really got into Athletic shoes, such service that allows cell and Shox R4, got phone users to send pretty funky (and

text messaging, a as Nike's Air Kukini and receive short pretty expensive) text messages on with prices ranging their phone screens. from \$90 to \$150.

**Bedhead** Popularized by stars like Halle Berry, a cool look for locks on both girls and guys was the textured "short & messy" do, making hair pomade a "must have" accessory.

Andrew Cooper/Getty Images

**Purple Passion** 

Purple was the shade for fall; not in clothes or makeup, but in ketchup. Heinz released its latest EZ Squirt ketchup -Funky Purple just in case you were bored with Blastin' Green or plain, oldfashioned red.

Heinz

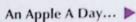
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**Body Crystals** From small abstract designs to full body coverage, tiny adhesive body crystals were a favorite.



### We've Come A Long Way

The newest video game system, Micro soft's Xbox, was released in time for the holidays, competing with the Nintendo GameCube, and of course, Sony's PlayStation and PlayStation 2. Of all the systems, Xbox is the only one with a built-in hard drive and plug for high-speed Internet access.



Apple Computer spun out some sleek new items that turned heads, like the new iMac (the fastest ever, with CD and DVD burning capabilities), and the iPod MP3 player, the first to bundle a 1,000 song capacity and 10-hour battery into a pocket-sized pack.



### All-American

Proud to be AMERIA

In a patriotic response to America's war on terrorism, people across the country made the American flag one of the year's most popular symbols. From T-shirts to postage stamps, Old Glory dominated yards, cars and bodies everywhere.

Spencer Platt/Getty Images



Where do you most like to shop for clothes?

- 1. American Eagle Outfitters
- 2. Old Navy
  - 3. Abercrombie & Fitch

My favorite fashion trend:



(Survey results compiled from the responses of 2000 students across the U.S.)

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