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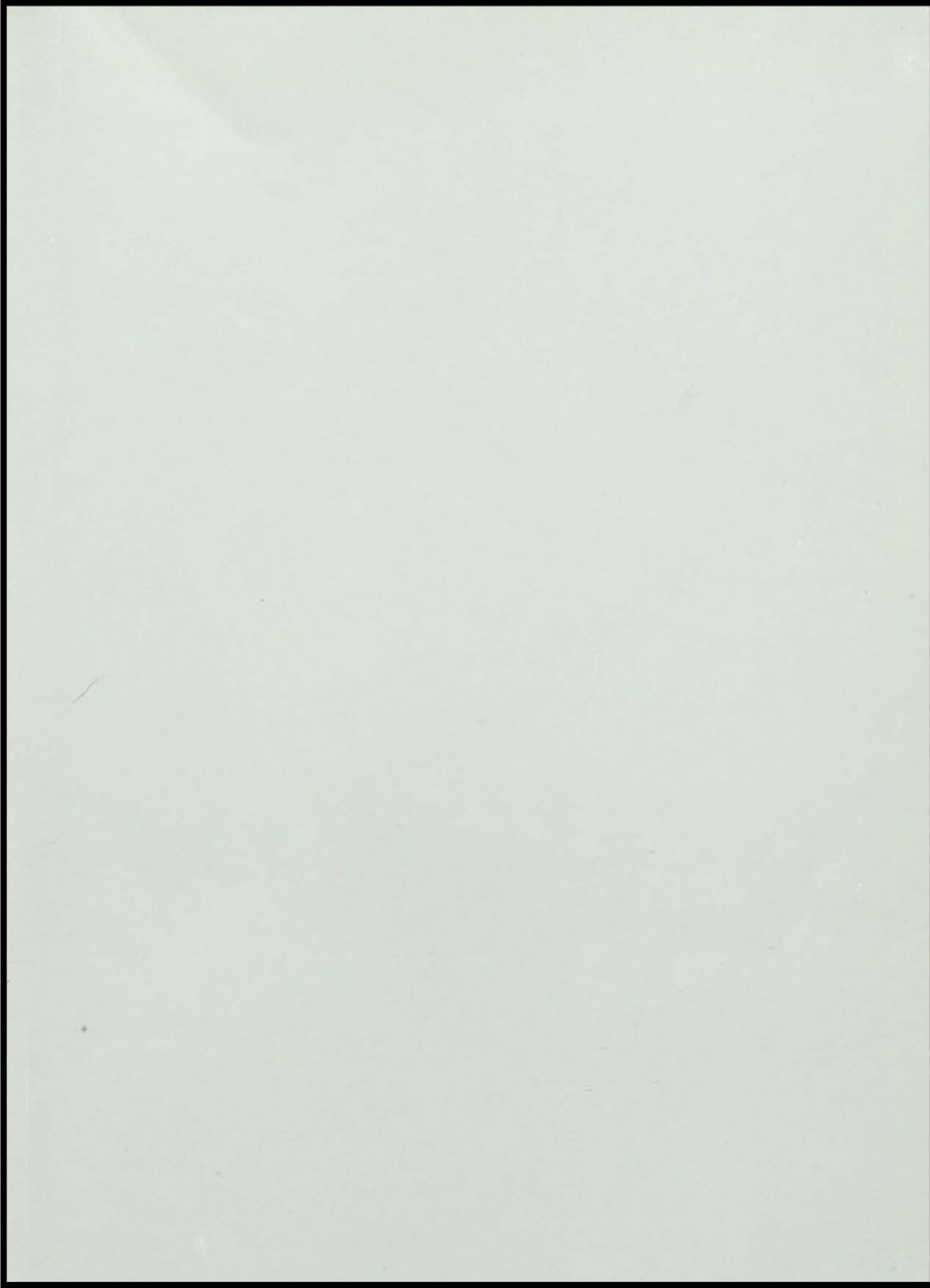
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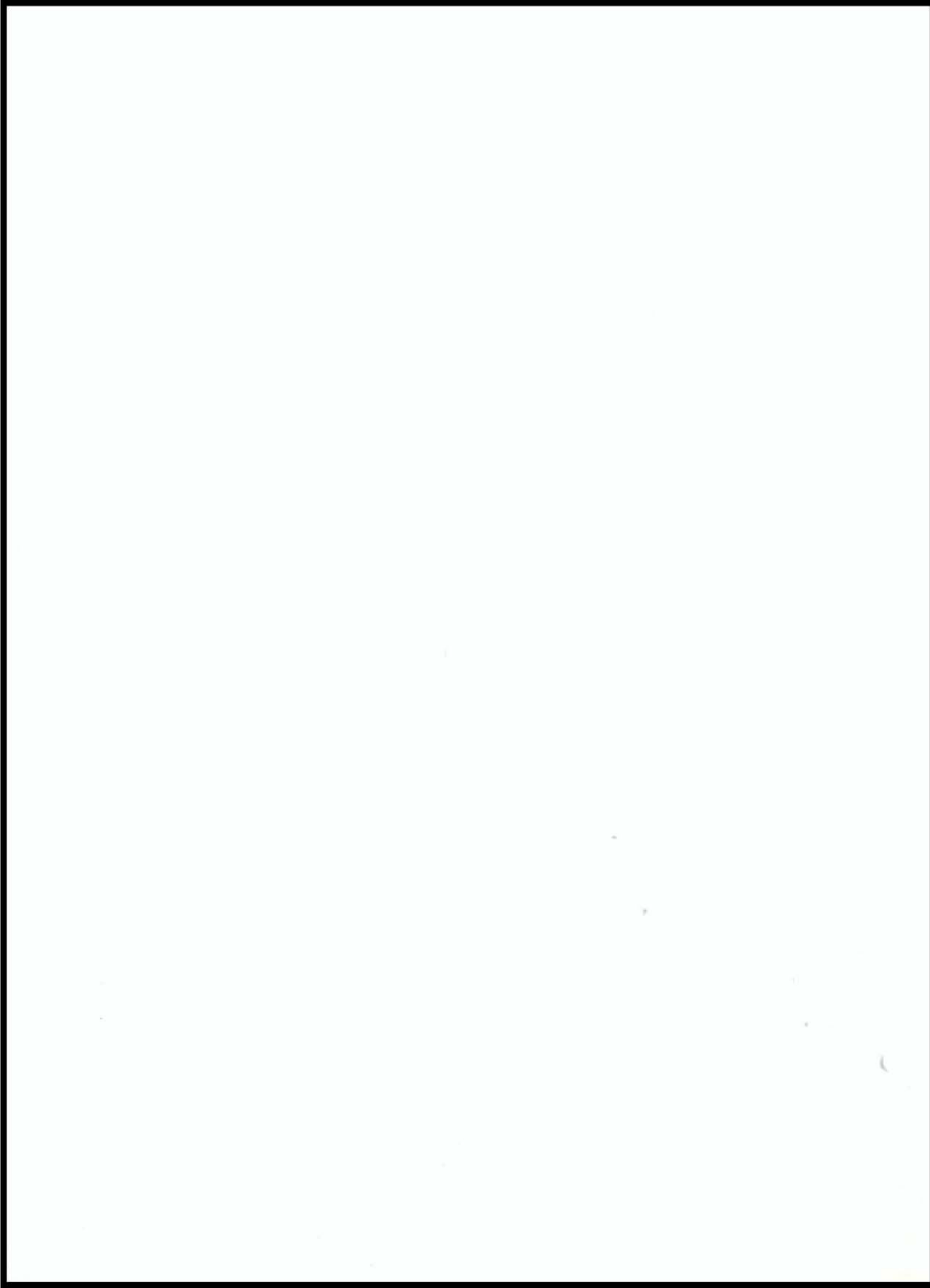
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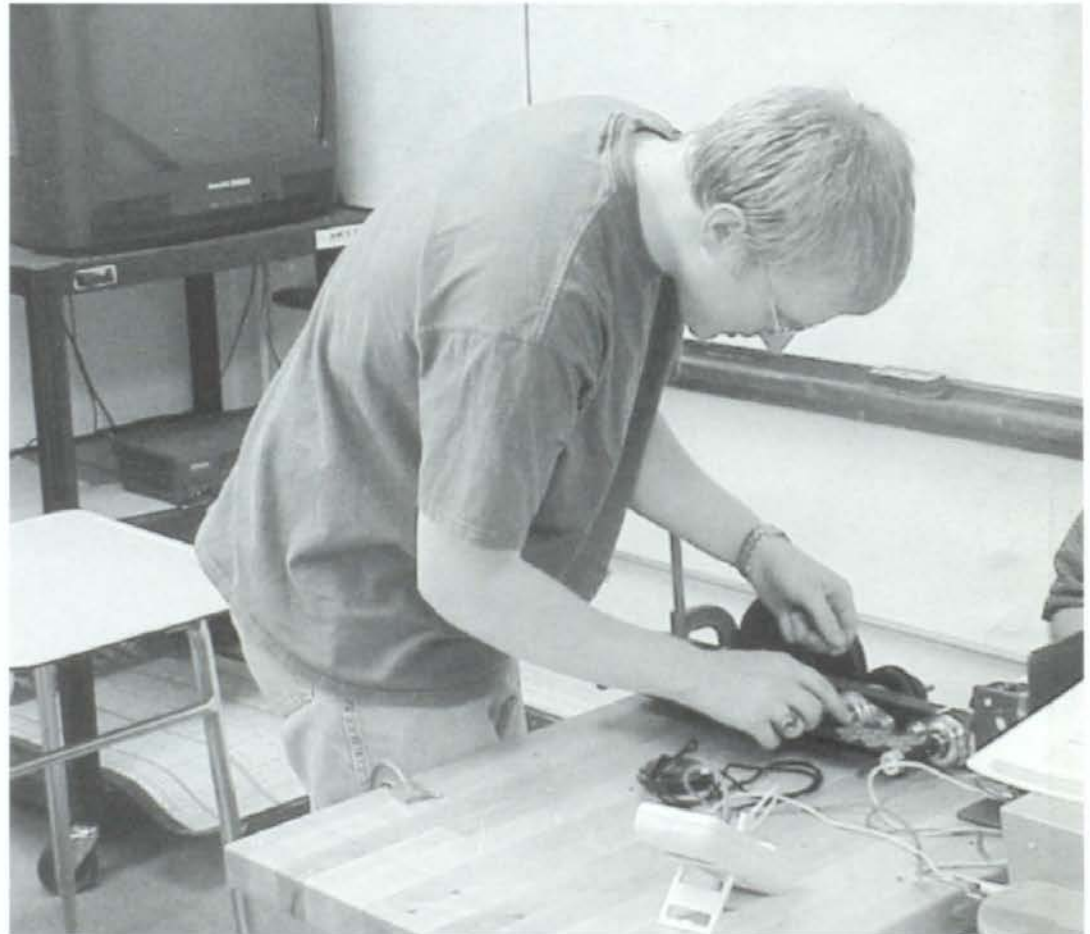
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*A trip down  
memory lane*

Senior Jacob Watkins carefully fills an egg shell with confetti in Spanish II for a Cinco de Mayo celebration with the grade schoolers. Photo by Mary Geiger



Katie Merritt arranges tables and chairs for the dinner theatre. Students involved with the spring musical were responsible for setting up for the dinner theatre and also serving the food. Photo by Tara Turpin



Ray Anderson helps Mr. Byron Marshall prepare a lab for physics class. The class did labs together because often times there wasn't enough equipment for each student to work alone. Photo by Mary Geiger





David Winder pushes himself to finish strong at the DVL cross country meet at Rim Rock. Photo by Jane Bond



Brett Gaul, Tory Eylar, and Jay Ruhke give an oral presentation about a Shakespearean play in theatre survey. Photo by Mary Geiger

Aaron Ruhnke checks his car before taking off in a race at the Speedzone on senior trip in Dallas. Photo by Scottee Simpson



The Trojans set up an offensive formation against Lebo in the first round of the playoffs. Photo by Mary Geiger



Savannah Robinson uses the electric sander in Industrial Arts II. Most of the students' time was spent in the shop working on individual projects. Photo by Mary Geiger

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"Wanna play?" Junior Lisa Speaks works on remembering her lines without looking at her script for the one-act play that was performed for contest. Photo by Mary Geiger



Practice makes perfect. Sophomore Brei Richardson practices her poetry piece, "The White Cliffs," for Mrs. Rockey before school. Many students practiced between meets with Mrs. Rockey to perfect their pieces. Photo by Mary Geiger



Carefully arranging photos for a patchwork collage is Cheyenne Walters. Siobhan Leger contemplates rearranging her piece before making any changes. Art students were not limited to drawing still-lives and building pots as they were allowed to experiment with many different types of art. Photo by Mary Geiger





Andy Boyle and Jacob Watkins arrange pieces of paper for their spray paint work. Students arranged shapes and then spray painted to highlight the silhouette of the smaller pieces. Photo by Mary Geiger

Juniors Amanda Siard and Gwyn Gaither use much attention to detail while painting an art project. Siard and Gaither were in Art II. Photo by Mary Geiger

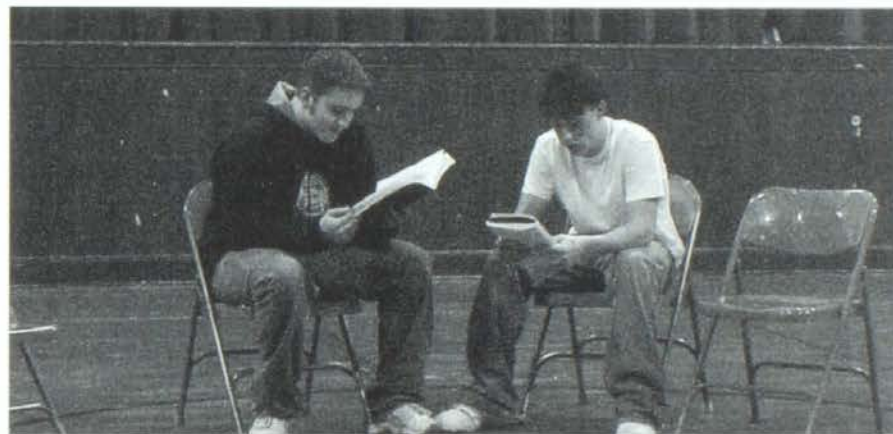


Mikaela Martinez, Miles Clary, and Amber Douglas listen while Mr. Flinders plays the melody to a song they are working on for class. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Patiently waiting to practice a song during class are Emily Merritt and Aleena Rohrer. Mr. Brad Flinders returned to his role as chorus director when he came back after taking a year away from teaching. Photo by Scottee Simpson

Brady Cummings and Josh Engemann, Billy and Moon, work on lines for the spring performance of the musical comedy, *Anything Goes*. Cummings and Engemann were veterans of the plays, and they had the male leads for this production. Photo by Mary Geiger



Dear Trojans,

The first stop we made on our journey was in the arts. We visited art works, watched dramatic scenes, and listened to musical scores.

The performance of *The Man Who Came to Dinner* got the year kicked off. Brady Cummings' portrayal of a crotchety radio personality who is confined to a wheelchair in the home of "commoners" was just one aspect of the success achieved from the fall play.

Whether it was visiting the Twin Spires Museum to view murals and then recreate an element on their own or competing in the Design-an-

Ad contest, the art students kept themselves busy. Projects ranged from sketches to spray painting to clay pottery.

The return of Mr. Brad Flinders to the music department brought a familiar face in the director position. Though much of their time was spent in class, the band and chorus participants also traveled to music festivals and contests.

Dedicated would be a good way to describe the students who chose to participate in competitive speech. These students rose before the sun many Saturdays to compete in various events, and they

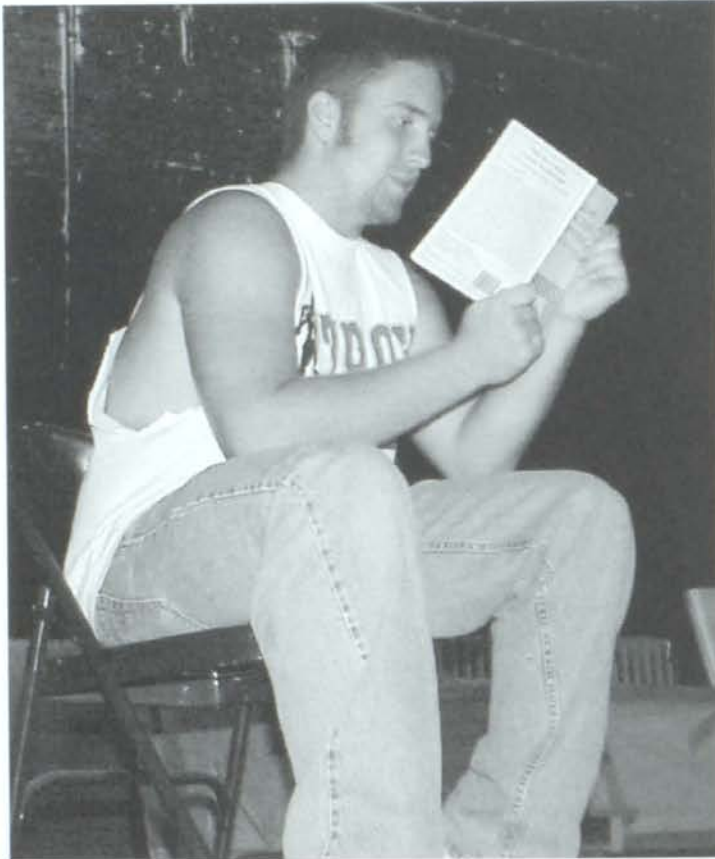
found much success in their performances. In fact, the speech team had more success as a whole than recent teams in years past have.

The spring musical took the drama department out of Kansas and aboard a ship en route for England. Nightclub performers turned evangelists, world-famous criminals, and a love-struck debutante brought *Anything Goes* to life.

This journey has just begun, and in order to fully experience a journey through Troy High School, please keep reading!



The cast of the *Man Who Came to Dinner*. Front row: Nolan Franken, Lisa Speaks, Aleena Rohrer, Breanna Clary, Brady Cummings, A.J. Jensen, Tara Turpin, Danny Rathmann, Jane Bond, Savannah Robinson, Megan Rodgers, and Kelsey Thomas, and Bridget Shelton. Row 2: Jared Adkins, Emily Merritt, Katie Merritt, Jocelyn Bishop, Brian Wiedmer, Amber Wiedmer, Kristin Jeschke, Josh Engemann, Mary Geiger, Scottee Simpson, Bret Johnson, Stephanie Adams, Nathan Keller, Jenna Grable, Molly Geiger, Johnna Pasch, Amy Adams, Ginny Hodge, and Director Martha-Jean Rockey. Row 3: Sean Reynolds, and Jay Ruhnke.



"I may vomit." Lead actor, Brady Cummings, recites his lines at one of the many practices held prior to the fall play. His character, Sheridan Whiteside, had over 200 lines and was in nearly every scene.



Middle Right: "It's the nicest gift I could bring you," said Harriet Stanley, played by Breanna Clary, as she presents Mr. Whiteside with a sprig of holly while Maggie kindly waits for her to leave.



John, played by Nolan Franken, asks Mr. Whiteside if he would like a beverage. He had many offstage cues so coming and going became something of a challenge for Franken.



Bret Johnson, Austin Stock, and Tory Eylar paint the front of a sarcophagus to be used in the third act with Lorraine. It was built and donated for use in the play by Bob Jenkins.

"Look dear, we're in *TIME!*" Mrs. Stanley, Scottee Simpson, explains to Mr. Stanley, played by Bret Johnson, how popular their family has become since the great radio orator, Mr. Whiteside, fell on their doorstep.

# Mishaps, deceit lead to onstage success

Wheelchairs, doorbells, and just doors in general, made the fall production of *The Man Who Came to Dinner* an interesting experience. The excitement started when the wheelchair used in previous productions would not open. Director Martha Rockey and the cast did everything possible to pry open the old wheelchair, but to no avail. Luckily, student director Megan Rodgers came to the rescue with a more modern chair.

With that problem covered, the cast and crew ran into another obstacle. The new wheelchair had a difficult time getting through the narrow doorways on

stage. Mr. Whiteside had to be forcibly pushed from behind by his nurse, Miss Preen, on many occasions just to get through the door.

The offstage doorbell also posed a few mishaps. The person ringing the bell had to do it just right or the cast member waiting for it as a cue would miss his or her entrance and come in late or not at all.

Despite missed cues, forgotten lines, and door troubles, *The Man Who Came to Dinner* was a success. "Overall, it turned out to be a pretty good performance," said student director Bridget Shelton.



Bret Johnson, Tara Turpin, Scottee Simpson, Katie Merrit, and Emily Merritt, wait expectantly as Mr. Whiteside is wheeled into the room. They are all a bit shocked as his first words are "I may vomit."



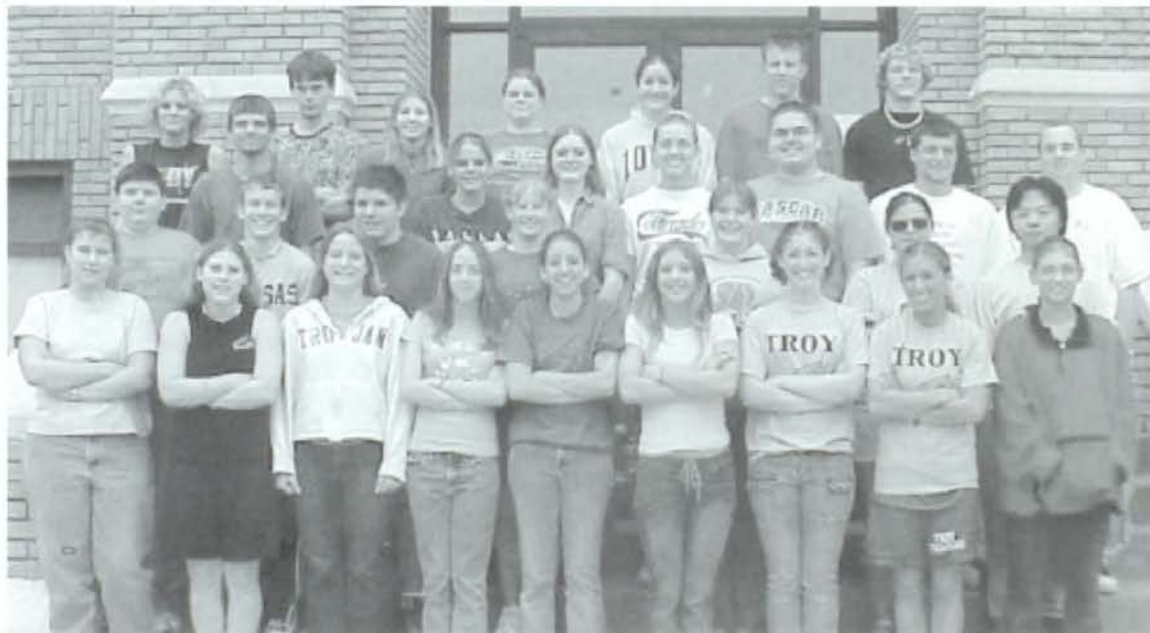
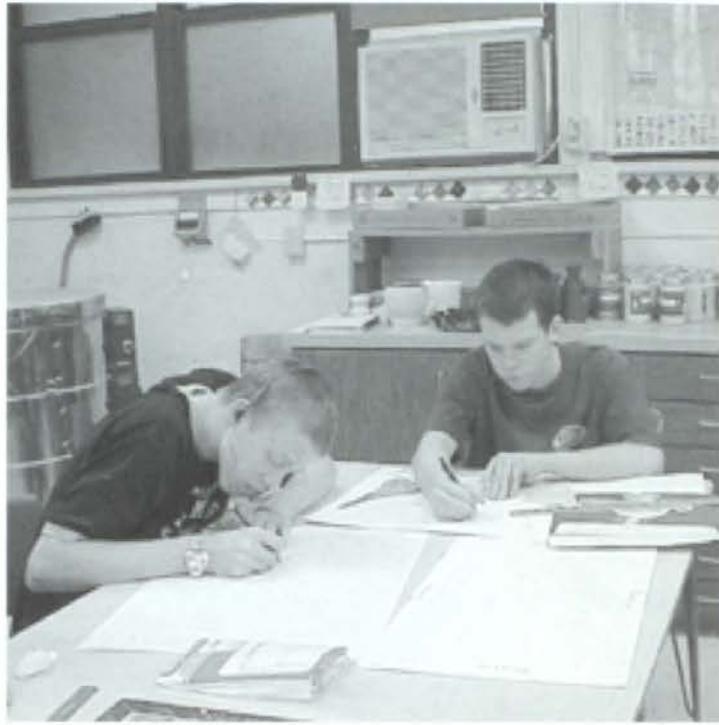
Lorraine, played by Kristin Jeschke, begins to figure out Maggie's scheme to get rid of her. Maggie, played by Mary Geiger, gives a look of disgust as Bert Jefferson, Josh Engemann, spoils her carefully laid plans.



Junior Breanna Clary meticulously works on a pastel drawing. Many projects that students completed for class were later entered in contests or displayed in the school. Photo by Mary Geiger

Below: Nicole Cluck, Sara Randolph, Brett Gaul, and Ryan Jones work in the lower hallway on their spray paint projects. This project was one of the students' favorites. Photo by Savannah Robinson

Below Right: Dustin Jenkins and Matt Rush work during class on free-hand drawings. Photo by Mary Geiger



Participants in the DVL Art Festival Front Row: Sara Randolph, Jessie Siard, Katie Merritt, Johnna Pasch, Jena Pickerell, Amber Wiedmer, Amy Adams, Jane Bond, and Aleena Rohrer. Row 2: Cody Shelton, Tory Eylar, Chris Taylor, Jessica Sutherland, Shana Kostman, Jenna Grable, and David Chu. Row 3: Brett Clary, Bridget Losson, Holly Etherton, Tarin Long, Ryan Long, Tim Snead, and Brian Wiedmer. Row 4: Gwyn Gaither, Jacob Watkins, Cheyenne Walter, Nicole Cluck, Abby Winder, Kyle Koehler, and Brett Gaul.

# Art department has record year

Freshman Jessica Sutherland waits for instruction before beginning her spray-paint project. Photo by Savannah Robinson



Whether it was taking a field trip to the Albrecht-Kemper Museum of Art, participating in the Design-An-Ad contest, or building a clay pot, the art students were busy throughout the entire year with projects of many types.

For the first time ever, art students competed in the Art for the Health of It contest sponsored by the Allied Arts Council of St. Joseph, MO, and Heartland Health. In the fall competition, Jacob Watkins and Aleena Rohrer placed for their photography, and Katie Merritt participated with a pastel drawing. For the spring competition, Abby Winder, Jessica Sutherland, and Holly

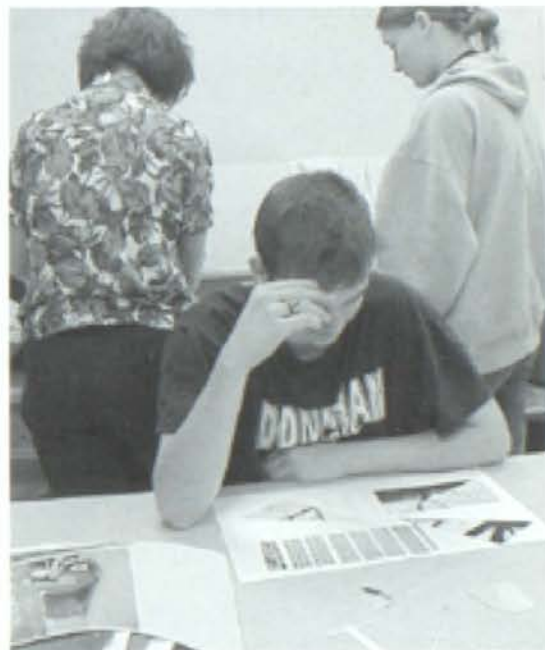
Etherton joined this group for the spring show; however, Winder and Watkins were the only two who received awards.

The art department's prestige continued when two students won awards at the Regional High School Art Exhibit. Kyle Culp placed second for a three-dimensional work, and Jena Pickerell received honorable mention in photography.

The most successful event of the year was the DVL Art Festival. The students came away with 49 awards, the most that Troy has ever won, tying for honors with Pleasant Ridge. Also, the sidewalk-chalk team, an on-site contest, placed first.



Tory Eylar receives advice on the layout for his spray-paint project before he begins making it. Sophomore Abby Winder searches through her folder for a piece of work she has already completed to turn in. Photo by Mary Geiger



Brett Clary works on a collage piece while Mrs. Nancy Clisbee advises Holly Etherton on a piece of work. Photo by Mary Geiger



Emotions run high as Tarin Long, Miles Clary, Nicole Cluck, Brei Richardson, Bridget Losson, and Bri Mendell sing "Come Sail Away" by Styx during graduation. Mr. Flinders arranged the music to suit the voices of the choir and added drums, strings, and a bass guitar to give the song a more familiar feel. Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey



Center: Sopranos, Sandra and Kendra Eteeyn and Gwyn Gaither, work on learning their part for an upcoming concert. During class, choir members would do scale warm-ups and breathing exercises to help improve their singing. Photo by Mary Geiger



Mikaela Martinez sings "Lord, Here Am I" at Fine Arts Night. Fine Arts Night gave music students the opportunity to deliver performances that the public doesn't usually see. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Choir members Front row: Sara Randolph, Nicole Cluck, Aleena Rohrer, Naomi Fellabaum, Tarin Long, Mikaela Martinez, Kendra Eteeyn, and Jenna Grable. Row 2: Sarah Watkins, Bridget Losson, Emily Merritt, Amber Douglas, Gwyn Gaither, Amanda Siard, and Sandra Eteeyn. Row 3: Director Brad Flinders, Sean Reynolds, Dominic Martinez, Matt Rush, Miles Clary, and Andy Boyle. Photo by LifeTouch



David Flinders jams on the bass guitar during the choir performance at graduation. Mr. Flinders enlisted the help of David and his older brother Paul to help with the instrumental aspects of the song. Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey

# Chorus, band improve state ratings

The band and choir department excelled in performances and music competitions throughout the year. Both groups did exceptionally well at state and festival competitions.

The band played "Shaker Variance" and "March from Second Suite for Military Band in F Major" at state and received the top rating. The choir sang "Lord I Call to You" and "Thistle and Rose" and received a II rating.

Choir members had high expectations with the return of director Brad Flinders.

"I came into choir with the expectations that we would improve over

last year. I wasn't sure if people would be interested in being in choir, but we had quite a turnout, and we did improve in many aspects compared to last year," said Sarah Watkins.

Band members were also excited to have Flinders directing again.

"Last year we came back from state with a IV rating. We worked hard as a group, and with the help of Mr. Flinders we came back with a I this year. I hope we achieve the same success next year," said Amy Meng.

Both groups attended the DVL festival at Highland Community College and received excellent ratings.



Band members Front row: Aleena Rohrer, Bethany Jenkins, Amy Meng, Sarah Watkins, Stephanie Adams, and Emily Merritt. Row 2: Abby Winder, Bethany Grable, Tyson Rohrer, Amber Douglas, Garrett Twombly, Carl Tharman, and Siobhan Leger. Row 3: Brian Wiedmer, Michael Cluck, Ray Anderson, Joe Clary, Andrew Simpson, Director Brad Flinders, Jocelyn Bishop, Jacob Watkins, and David Flinders. Photo by LifeTouch

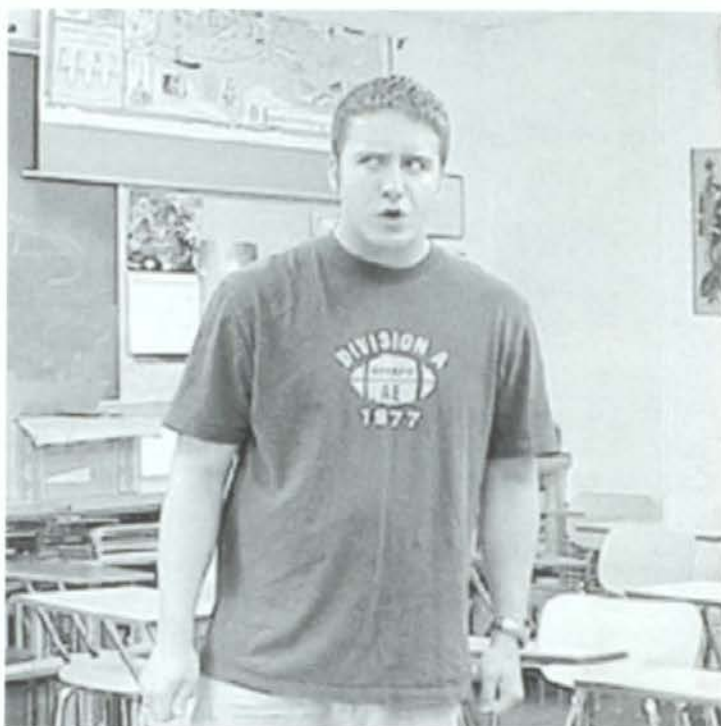


Joe Clary toots his tuba at Fine Arts Night. He performed "In the Hall of the Mountain King." Photo by Scottee Simpson

Right: Seniors Scottee Simpson and Brian Wiedmer participated in duet acting in speech competitions. They performed their piece, "Hansel and Gretel," for the final time at Fine Arts Night. Photo by Savannah Robinson



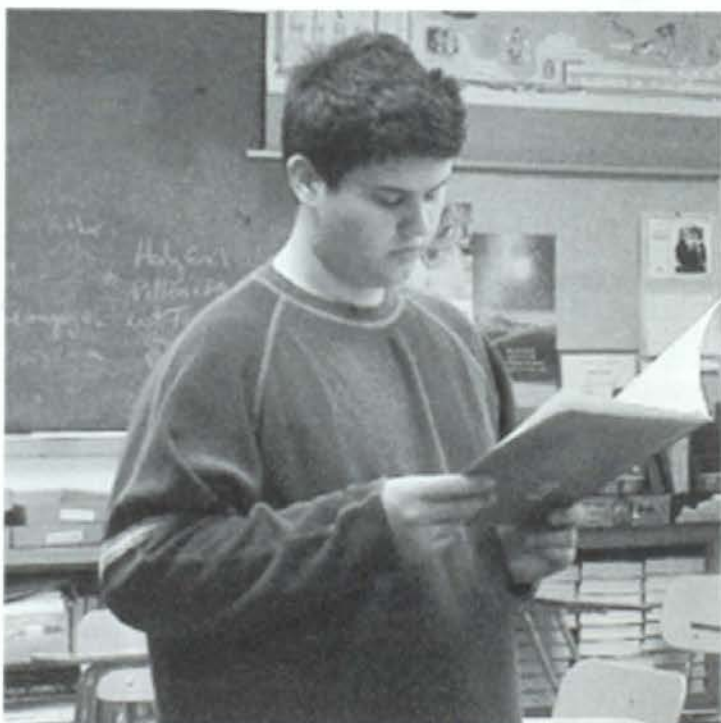
Junior Danielle Marriott received a II rating at state with her poem "Marco Comes Late". She also received 5<sup>th</sup> at DVL. Photo by Scottee Simpson.



Middle Right: Brady Cummings practices his humorous solo, "University Days." In this line he is imitating one of the professor's not-so-bright students with his "dumb face." Photo by Mary Geiger



Lisa Speaks performs her prose reading, "The Happy Prince," for fellow students while she prepares for the state competition. Speaks received a II at state. Photo by Mary Geiger



Above: Freshman Jared Adkins practices his prose reading, "The Test," for Mrs. Rockey to make suggestions. Photo by Mary Geiger



# Speech team finds strength in team

Junior Amy Meng practices her oration about the importance of recycling. Meng placed as high as second place with this speech and received a II at state. Photo by Mary Geiger



The team factor is commonly overlooked when one thinks of forensics teams, but for the Troy squad, team placing was its strength. In fact, they placed at four of the five meets they attended. Furthermore, this group of performers was competing against students from 3A and 4A schools. They took sixth place in Nemaha Valley, third at the DVL meet, second at Royal Valley, and third at the Horton Invitational meet.

While the team looked to the junior and senior members for leadership, the freshman and sophomores had a crucial role in the success. Jocelyn Bishop, sophomore, placed at every meet she attended, with an informative speech about non-food uses of agriculture

products.

Nine students traveled to Kansas City Kansas Community College May 3 for the State Speech Festival. Junior Brady Cummings, with his humorous solo "University Days," was the only competitor who received a one rating for his performance.

"Getting a one at state was the best way to end the year because I worked really hard on this piece, and once I knew it well, had a lot of fun performing it," said Cummings.

Senior Scottee Simpson, who did both humorous solo and duet acting, said, "Speech was fun this year. I also got the chance to perform my solo for my English class, and that was fun because I got to see the reactions of a different group of people."



Mrs. Rockey had nine students go to state for speech out of 20 participants. Front Row: Mrs. Rockey, Katie Merritt, Amy Adams, Cassie Siard, Bridget Shelton, Jenna Grable, Brady Cummings and Breanna Clary. Row Two: Brei Richardson, Stephanie Adams, Scottee Simpson, Danielle Marriott, Tara Turpin, Lisa Speaks, Jocelyn Bishop, Emily Merritt, Brian Wiedmer and Amy Meng.



Sophomore Stephanie Adams and Junior Breanna Clary rehearse a scene in the one-act play "Wanna Play?" The one-act was performed only one time at a contest. Photo by Mary Geiger



The cast of *Anything Goes*. Front row: Brady Cummings, Mary Geiger, Kristin Jeschke, Jay Ruhnke, Scottee Simpson, Josh Engemann, Bret Johnson, and Jocelyn Bishop. Row 2: Emily Merritt, Katie Merritt, Stephanie Adams, Amy Meng, Whitney Stock, Molly Geiger, Amy Adams, Johnna Pasch, Megan Campbell, and Brei Richardson. Row 3: Jenna Grable and Breanna Clary. Row 4: Amber Wiedmer and Tara Turpin. Row 5: Darryl Meng, Miles Clary, A.J. Jensen, Brian Wiedmer, Joe Clary, Nolan Franken, Jared Adkins, and Danny Rathmann. Photo by Savannah Robinson.



"Here comes the bride!" Mary Geiger descends the stairs behind her "mother" (Jocelyn Bishop). Her fiancé Jay Runke waits at the edge of the platform as Breanna Clary, Tara Turpin, Amber Wiedmer, Jenna Grable, and Scottee Simpson stand aside to make room for the blushing bride. Photo by Chester Bishop.

Above Center: "Hey, put that away." Billy tries to convince Moonface that he's a friend, not an enemy, as amused Bonnie looks on. Photo by Savannah Robinson.



"How are you going to get to heaven if you're not an angel?" ponders A.J. Jensen as Scottee Simpson makes her way down the stairs. Bret Johnson, Nolan Franken, and Josh Engemann take time to check out Reno's angels before they join in the "Heaven Hop." Photo by Chester Bishop.



"Blow Gabriel, Blow!" Reno, played by Kristin Jeschke, sings to a group of sinners about her experiences as a heathen, as steward Joe Clary watches. The song was part of a religious sermon that took place to reform "Snake Eyes Johnson." Photo by Chester Bishop.



# Singing evangelists, harmless criminals bring

## *Anything Goes* to life

Criminals, evangelists, and an on-board supply of endless hormones made the production of *Anything Goes* live up to its name. Angels who aren't angelic, criminals who are really harmless, and a love-struck "sailor" were just the tip of the iceberg. Different levels of chaos made this production both challenging and fun for the cast and crew.

Finding and getting props opened up new opportunities for mishaps and improvisation. Josh Engemann, who played Moonface Martin, had many different props to keep organized. "I had to carry on a prop just about every time I went on

stage. Most of the time I would forget so the prop crew usually ran around trying to get them for me," Engemann said.

Learning songs was also a challenge. Some characters had lengthy songs and remembering the right words to go with the right song was difficult.

"The spring musical was a lot of fun to perform. However, for some reason, I found it very difficult to remember the words to all the songs. It seemed every song was sort of a tongue twister. In the end though, I managed to finally get it right, and it all worked out for the best," said senior Kristin Jeschke.

"Say hello to my little friend." Moonface pulls a gun on the unsuspecting Sir Evelyn Oakleigh, played by Jay Ruhnke. Evelyn was a pawn in a plot by Reno and Moon to get "Evie" away from Hope. Photo by Savannah Robinson

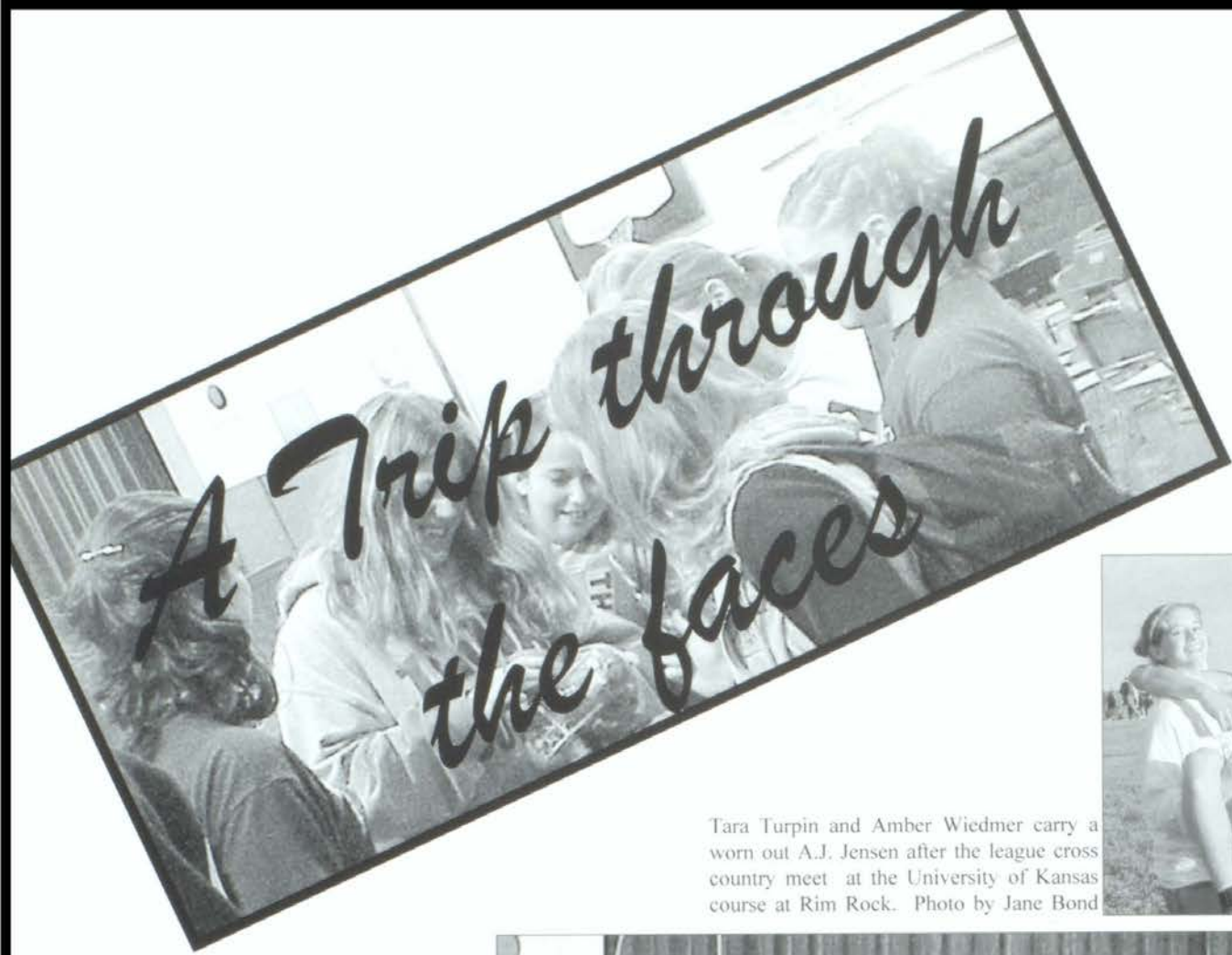


"Anything Goes!" Dancers line up with partners for a big dance number. This particular dance proved to be problematic because a strobe light had to be turned on at just the right moment, and if it weren't, the whole number would be thrown off. Emily Merritt, Bret Johnson, Katie Merritt, Megan Campbell, A.J. Johnson, Breanna Clary, and Tara Turpin sing and dance to "Anything Goes." Photo by Chester Bishop.



"Hallelujah!" Jenna Grable and Bret Johnson dance to the "Heaven Hop." This heavenly dance became somewhat comical because Johnson's character was nearly blind due to the fact that he had lost his glasses in an earlier scene. Photo by Chester Bishop.





Tara Turpin and Amber Wiedmer carry a worn out A.J. Jensen after the league cross country meet at the University of Kansas course at Rim Rock. Photo by Jane Bond



Whitney Stock, freshman, beams with excitement as she carries plaques and certificates at FFA Leadership School. Whitney was a member of the second-place chapter parliamentary procedure team that qualified for the state competition. Photo by Mary Geiger



Juniors Jeff McNemee and Jessie Wright spin sophomore Jena Pickerell before she takes her swing at a pinata for a Christmas activity in Spanish 2. Photo by Josh Engemann



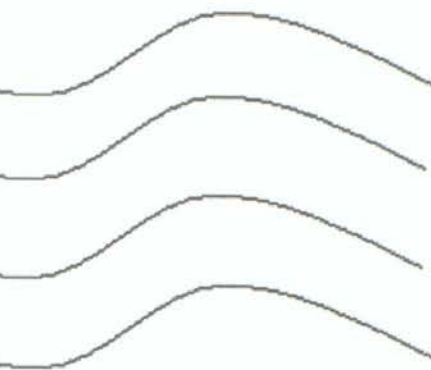


At the Wild For Life Fair, sophomore Shana Kostman participates in a simulation of how it would feel to be under the influence of alcohol. Officer Jerry Clary was leading the simulation. Photo by Mary Geiger

Chorus members Tarin Long, Sarah Watkins, and Sara Randolph wait to perform at the nursing home in Wathena. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Principal Darrel Stufflebeam speaks to the students about the importance of patriotism at an assembly remembering the September 11 Terrorist Attacks. Photo by Amber Wiedmer



Brady Cummings and Kristin Jeschke practice lines before play practice for the fall performance of *The Man Who Came to Dinner*. Photo by Tara Turpin

Seniors Alicia Owens, Sara Randolph, Jacob Watkins, Brian Wiedmer, and Sarah Ihrer make preparations to paint the football field for Homecoming. Photo by Jane Bond



Dear Trojans,

Our trip took a little detour for a few days. We traveled away from the activities, sports, academics, and fine arts. We traveled through the classes and class fundraisers, got to know the faculty a little better, and even made a few friends along the way.

Some portions of the detour were more fun than others, but our favorite aspect was watching the groups of different students come together as classes to perform different events. The sophomore class's strength was tested more than most

others with the sudden and tragic loss of Travis Clary in August.

The freshmen began to learn from the very beginning about sticking together when their Homecoming float almost didn't arrive in time for the parade. They held strong though and luckily their float showed up!

Details, details, and more details were what most juniors thought about during their time planning Prom.

The seniors ended their time together with a trip to Dallas, and finally, graduation.

The faculty acted more as a team than individual teachers in order to provide a high quality education for all students.

These groups became so close that they even spent time together on weekends. Even though these weekend outings weren't always as intellectual as the weekday activities, it became obvious that they were a favorite. It didn't matter if it were groups of two or ten, or even if these groups were watching movies at a friend's house or going out on the town, because once Friday hit, socializing became very important to all students.

Our trip isn't nearly over yet, so please keep flipping the pages and continue traveling down memory lane!



# Seniors...the last leg of the trip

The senior class traveled farther than any other class in the high school. In fact, as their journey ended, they had made many memories that would last throughout their lifetimes.

August arrived and the class of 2003 began their senior year with a fundraiser. The annual magazine sales began, and Josh Engemann received honors for selling the most magazines. He brought in \$369.91 for his class. Overall, the class raised approximately

\$2000 to put toward the senior trip.

The final fundraiser the senior class would do was host a roast beef dinner Sunday, February 2. All of the students sold tickets for the event. On the day of the dinner, the school kitchen was bustling with students, parents, and the school cooks, all busily preparing the meal and dining area. Students were responsible for setting up, taking money, serving food and drinks, bussing tables,

and finally, cleaning after the final meal was served. In addition, each senior was also responsible for providing a dessert to be served. The dinner was a huge success as the class made \$1,589.27.

Fundraising was not the only thing the senior class did throughout the year. They also spent many hours working together to compete against the other classes in Homecoming and Queen of Courts competitions.

The class officers, Megan

Rodgers, Scottee Simpson, and Savannah Robinson, were kept busy making plans for the senior trip to Dallas and making arrangements to order graduation announcements from Jostens.

The class of 2003 ended their high school "trip" by graduating May 18.



Wade,  
Aim high and dream big: you can go far in life (and you have the car to get there).  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



*Kenton Wade Robinson*

Same shot, same vertical, but more muscle (and more hair!!). The goals are higher now, Brett. Keep shooting and may you never lose the love of the game. God's blessing for next year.

Love,  
Dad, Shelia, Brian, Nolan,  
and Whitney

*Brett Jennings Gaul*



Like the dust from your wheels, high school is now behind you. May you ride into a future of success, prosperity, and happiness.

Love,  
Granddad and  
Grandma,  
Mom, and  
Katie and Brad

*Kyle Joseph Culp*



Bink,  
It doesn't seem like that long ago that you and I would fight over everything one day, and then be fishing buddies the next day. Over the years though, we've grown up together, and I'm glad to have a sister like you. If you ever need anything, I'm here for you.

Love,  
Spank



*Kristin Beth Jeschke*

B-Joe,  
Whatever your heart desires awaits you.  
Love you,  
Mom and Lynn



*Bradley Joseph Rizer*



Scottee,  
It's hard to believe you are finally graduating from high school. It seemed like only yesterday you were watching the *Wizard of Oz* and playing with Barbies. You have turned out to be a fine, caring, beautiful young lady that makes Mom and I proud. We can't thank you enough for being there to help with Nate; you always did have a way with kids. That's why we know you'll be a great mom and teacher someday. Andrew will probably miss you next year too! We know you'll go far in life. Just remember God and family first and the rest will follow. We love you!  
Dad, Mom, Andrew, and Nate

*Scottee Elizabeth Simpson*

Joe and Tarin,  
May you stay good cousin friends like you have for 18 years. As you go your separate ways, know that we are very proud of both you. Always do your best! Do not settle for less!!  
Love always,  
Nanna and Jen

Brett,  
You are such a good son and brother. We are so proud of you and all you have done. Keep that bright positive attitude. Good luck in all that you do. We love you very much.  
Love,  
Mom, Jerry, Lindsey, and Samantha



To my sweet Nan,  
You have brought great joy to our lives. We are so proud of you for all you have accomplished. You've come such a long way. Now, may the rest of your life be filled with great joy and happiness! And may the road of life be an open highway of great opportunities for you.  
We love you always,  
Mom and Glen



Aaron,  
So much ahead for you! 2003 and USD 429 are the past. We send our love! As you travel, go with Jesus. He loves you too.  
Loving you,  
Dad, Mom, CJ, and J

*Aaron Arlen Ruhnke*



*Savannah Ann Robinson*



# Class of 2003



*Raymond Anderson*



*Nicole L. Cluck*



*Kyle J. Culp*



*Josh Eggert*



*Zach Jenkins*



*Kristie Jeschke*



*Martin Long*





Irene Bond



Joe Clary



Michael Chert



Naomi N. Fellbaum



Brent



Mary C. Bignard



Mikaela Mancinony



Courtney D. Morgan



Alicia R. Owens



Kristin,

I have a lot of wonderful memories of you growing up, like going roping on Fridays at Stock's, and you and Jared putting up hay (remember the pliers?). You surely developed into a beautiful and intelligent young woman.

Love,  
Dad



*Kristin Beth Jeschke*



Kristin,

While expecting the birth of a second son, it was such a wonderful surprise when the doctor said, "it's a girl," and what an adorable little girl, tons of dark hair and the chubbiest little cheeks! These past 18 years have passed so quickly watching my little girl grow into such a beautiful and amazing young woman. I am so proud of you and I know life will offer you great success! May God keep you safe, and guide you through everyday situations.

With much love,  
Mom 😊

Megan,

I can't believe it has been 18 years since you were born, and I really can't believe you will be leaving me to go to college. You have grown into a beautiful, self-assured, independent woman who can meet any challenge that is ahead of you. I am proud of you and what you have accomplished, and I know I will be even more proud of you in the future. Robin, Kelli, and I love you for who you are and who you will become.

Love, Mom, Robin, and Kelli



*Megan Dawn Rodgers*

Nan,

Thank you for delighting us with your presence all these years. Just joking! You have come a long way, and we are very proud of you. Don't forget we will always love you!

Love Always,  
Dad, Cassie, and Ethan



» *Savannah Ann Robinson*

Tarin Annette,

You are an amazing young woman. We are so very proud of you. Set your goals high and work hard to achieve them. Remember we will always be here for you. Listen to your heart and remember to share a smile with someone every day! 😊

We love you forever,  
Mom and Ryan



*Tarin Annette Long*





Jane,  
When you were born, you were a wonderful present from God—a source of joy to our family and our friends. You captured a spot deep in our hearts. Please always know that you are loved. As you continue on the “long and winding” road of life, continue to be a source of joy and love to all those whose paths you cross. Congratulations!! Strive to make a difference.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad

*Jane Ann Bond*

Josh,  
We are very proud of you. Keep your charm and sense of humor as you go through life. You bring joy to all around you.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad



*Joshua Wayne Engemann*

Mary Amanda,  
May the fruits of life continue to nurture and bless you. We love you and are so proud of you.  
Mom, Dad, Sarah, Nate, and Molly



*Mary Amanda Geiger*

Tarin,  
You bring so much happiness to our lives. Every moment with you is special: your smile, your laugh, your love. We are proud to have a daughter like you. We love you more than you'll ever know.  
Dad and Anita

*Tarin Annette Long*

Sara,  
Here you are, a graduate. Your four years of high school are over. Sara, we are very proud of you and what you've become. Good luck in all you do and remember we are always here for you.  
Love always,  
Mom, Dad, and Tim



Courtney,  
We are very proud of you for all that you have accomplished and for what you have become. Always remember nothing is out of reach and best friends are hard to find. Thanks for being our best friend.  
We love you and God bless,  
Dad, Mom, Whitney, and Bailey

*Courtney Lynn Morgan*



From the curly headed little boy, to the kid that never wanted to miss a day of school, you have brought joy to our lives. We are always here for you!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Kevin

*Brian Todd Wiedmer*

Joe,  
Keep hold of your hopes and dreams. We are proud of you.  
Love you lots,  
Dad, Mom, and Miles



*Joseph Aaron Clary*

Todd,  
Congratulations! You finally made it. You have grown into a fine young man. The road has been rocky a few times, but you have always come through. Remember we love you and will always be here for you.  
Good luck.  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Ryan



Ray,  
We are very proud of you.  
Love, Mom, Dad, Joe, Ben, and Marianne



*Raymond Phillip Anderson*





Tara Randolph



B-Joe Rizer



Kenton Robinson



Robert D. Sharp



Scott Simpson



Jacob Watkins



Blaine Whetstine







Savannah Robinson



Megan Rodgers



Aaron A. Ruhlke



Ford Whitaker



Brian Wiedmer





# Fun flashback helps faculty thrive

Recognizing a balance between work and play made it possible for the faculty to function on a higher level than before.

Principal Darrel Stufflebeam's 70's room was the perfect setting for a theme party for all faculty and staff. "Working with a faculty that enjoys each other's company makes coming to work each day a lot more fun!" said Stufflebeam.

It was not all fun and games though, and, once it was time to work, work the faculty did. Newcomers Margy Heddens and Brad Flinders got to the grindstone from day one.

Before coming to Troy, Heddens taught math in Topeka public schools for eight years. She also was an assistant tennis and debate coach. She taught Spanish I and II, applied math, and geometry at Troy.

Mr. Flinders, though, was not completely new to Troy High. He taught at Troy, left for a year, and then returned to teach band and chorus. "The best part about coming back to Troy was seeing and interacting with those students who meant so much to me when I was here before," said Flinders.

"Peace, love, and harmony!" Front row: Mary Winder, Kristee Grable, Nancy Clisbee, Lisa Twombly, Mary Simpson, Darrel Stufflebeam, Martha-Jean Rockey, Lyle Rockey, and Linda Rice. Row 2: Darrell Wapp, Janel Anderson, Joel Kahnt, and Kevin McNorton.



Cooks Linda Schultz, Bea Koehler, Rosalee Adkins, Jodi Cook, and Pat Wiedmer. Photo by Amber Wiedmer



Right middle: U.S.D. 429 Board of Education, Front row: Rita Clary, Carl Tharman, and Miles Gibson. Row 2: Hugh Kinsey, Warren Grable, Mark Fenley, and Arlen Ruhnke.

Right bottom: Bus drivers Charlie Hopp, Bea Koehler, Benny Rice, and Darrell Wapp. Not pictured: Don Cash, Gracie Christenson, Kevin McNorton, Bill Simmons. Photo by Zach Jenkins







Don Cash  
Nancy Clisbee  
Nick Dannevik  
Brad Flinders  
Margy Heddens  
Doug Huxman



Babetta Israel  
Derek Jasper  
Joel Kahnt  
Stacy Kahnt  
Anita Long  
Byron Marshall



Kevin McNorton  
Bonnie Mitchell  
Glenn Overdick  
Bruce Reynolds  
Benny Rice  
Lyle Rockey



Martha-Jean Rockey  
Angela Simpson  
Mary Simpson  
Kathy Smith  
Elizabeth Smith  
Darrel Stufflebeam



Brenda Turpin  
Lisa Twombly  
Diane Walter  
Darrell Wapp  
Mary Winder



Kelsey Thomas, Mrs. Diane Walter, and Shana Kostman get ready for the Wild for Life Fair. Photo by Amber Wiedmer



# Juniors take detour through tests, planning

The juniors had a successful year. Activities ranged from decorating floats to planning Prom, to taking several standardized tests. They were also in charge of running the concession stand.

The juniors started the year with planning Prom. The class had to pick colors, theme, and decorations.

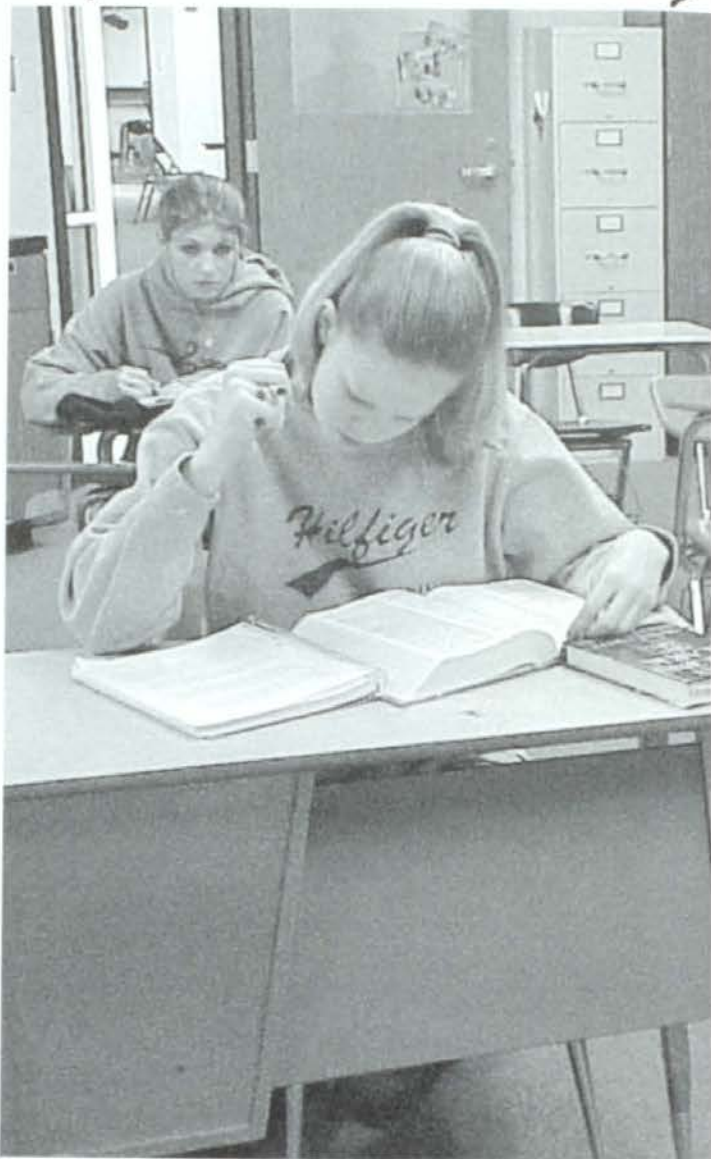
Throughout the year juniors were very busy testing. The tests that were taken included Iowa Basics, Pre-SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test), Kansas Reading and Social Studies Assessments, and

the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery). Some of the students also took the ACT (American College Test).

David Chu, a foreign exchange student from China, was an addition to the class.

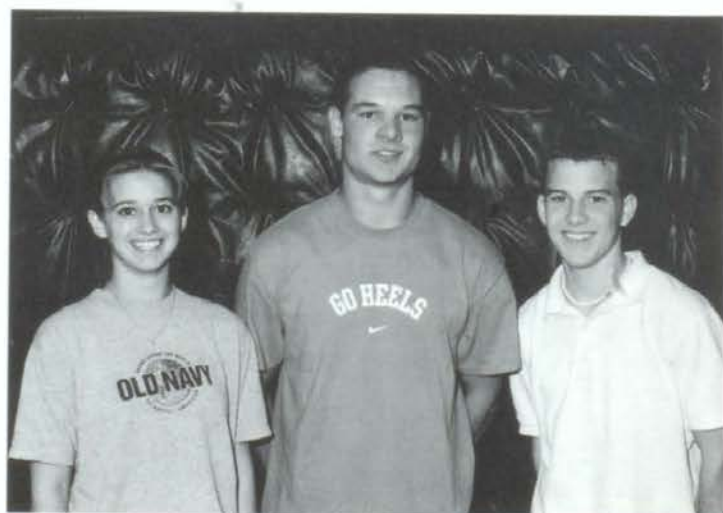
Due to lack of handicapped accessibility several classes were moved to the health room. One of these classes, American history, was required for the juniors. With two years of high school already under their belts, there were more freedoms as to what classes they could take.

Holly Whittaker and Aleena Rohrer are busy studying vocabulary words in high school vocabulary. Photo by Tara Turpin



Above: "I came to Troy which is simple and sincere and have stayed here almost five months...Thanks for everybody!" said David Chu. Also pictured are Tara Clary, Andy Boyle, Danielle Marriott, and Nolan Franken. Photo by Tara Turpin

Right: Vice President Tara Turpin, President Jay Ruhnke, and Secretary Tory Eylar were the junior class officers. Photo by Scholastic







Emily Albers  
Chester Bishop  
Andy Boyle  
David Chu  
Breanna Clary  
Brett Clary



Tara Clary  
Brady Cummings  
Amber Douglas  
Holly Etherton  
Tory Eylar  
Tyler Ferris



Kiley Franken  
Gwyn Gaither  
AJ Jensen  
Bret Johnson  
Tamara Kostman  
Siobhan Leger



Ryan Long  
Danielle Marriott  
Jeff McNemee  
Bri Mendell  
Amy Meng  
Michael Mullins



Sean Reynolds  
Aleena Rohrer  
Jay Ruhnke  
Matt Rush  
Bridget Shelton  
Amanda Siard



Lisa Speaks  
Kenny Stewart  
Austin Stock  
Jared Sutherland  
Tara Turpin  
Cheyenne Walter



Holly Whittaker  
Amber Wiedmer  
David Winder  
Jessie Wright

# Class of '05 stays on path to successful journey

"We're on the road again," could have been the saying of the sophomore class as they walked through their second year of high school.

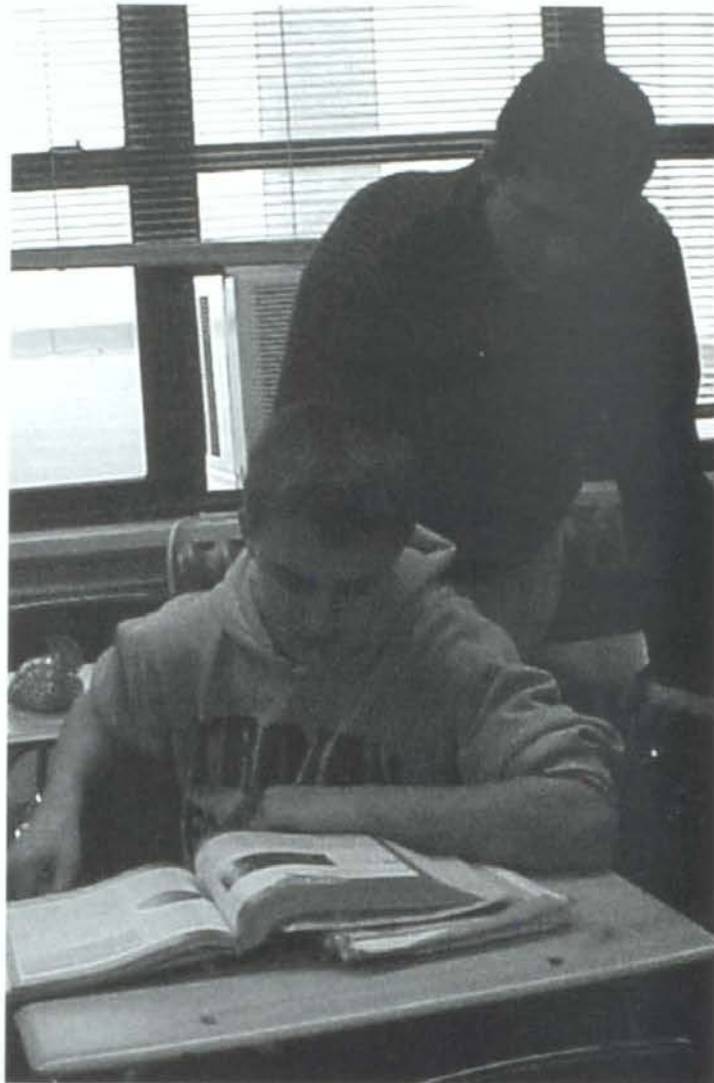
Their journey came to an abrupt stop shortly after beginning with the tragic drowning accident of Travis Clary August 28 at the city pond.

This didn't stop the class though, and they moved right back onto the path by selling Red Wheel for a fundraiser. They raised a total of \$4750.36. Bethany Grable and Tim Snead were the top sellers, and they brought in \$582 and \$547 respectively.

Even though ordering rings from Jostens came later than usual, it was a way for the class to put this portion of their high school journey on the map.

"The accomplishments that I'm most proud of are probably the amount of money we raised selling Red Wheel and winning the float contest for the Homecoming parade," said Jay Johnson, class president.

With two years completed, the class of 2005 was well underway to making their high school journey a trip to remember!

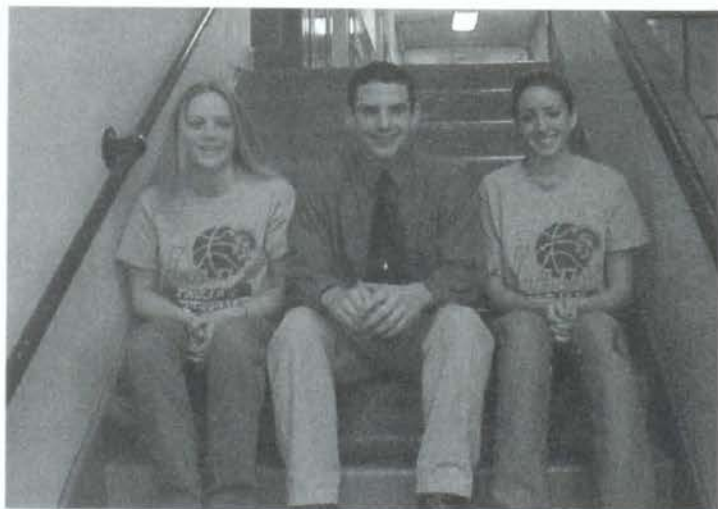


Right: "Are you sure that's Africa?" Working together to complete an assignment in geography are Jordan Frump and Kyle Greaser. Photo by Mary Geiger



Above: "Is it going to break?" Bryan Stewart and Kelsey Thomas carefully add weight to a bridge they constructed in geometry. Photo by Tara Tupin

Right: Kelsey Thomas, secretary-treasurer; Jay Johnson, president; and Jena Pickerell, vice president served as the sophomore class officers. These three worked very closely with Mr. Benny Rice, sophomore class sponsor, on the fundraiser. Photo by Mary Geiger







Stephanie Adams  
Jocelyn Bishop  
Brett Christenson  
Miles Clary  
Travis Clary  
Colby Cluck



Jeremy Etherton  
Nolan Franken  
Jordan Frump  
Chris Gaither  
Bethany Grable  
Kyle Greaser



Brian Horner  
John Hoverson  
Adam Jenkins  
Bethany Jenkins  
Dustin Jenkins  
Jay Johnson



Kyle Koehler  
Shana Kostman  
Bridget Losson  
Dominic Martinez  
Guy Masters  
Emily Merritt



Katie Merritt  
Eli Norris  
Kenneth Peden  
Jena Pickerell  
Danny Rathman  
Derek Shelton



Ryan Smith  
Tyler Smith  
Timmy Snead  
Bryan Stewart  
Randy Stewart  
Chris Taylor



Kelsey Thomas  
Sarah Watkins  
Justin Wendt  
Abby Winder

# Freshman begin journey in a cool fashion

The journey begins somewhere, right? For the class of 2006 the journey through high school began in a way that no other Troy High School freshman year has, with air conditioning!

A given for any high school class is that it will conduct at least one fundraiser at some point each year, and the freshman class did so in the fall when they sold Trojan dolls and fuzzy dice for car windshields. Once the company was paid back and all bills were paid, they brought in just over \$270. Jenna Grable and Jessica Sutherland were the top sellers, and each raised approximately \$80 for her class.

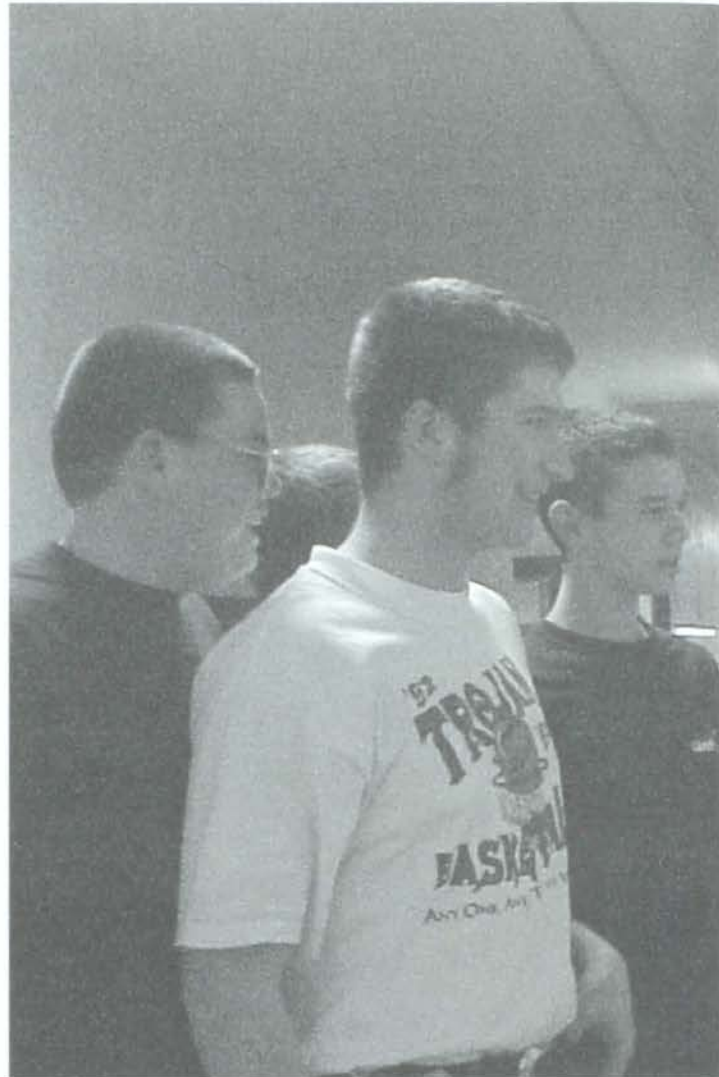
The next stop along the journey was the class's first Homecoming. They chose to "Take a walk on the wild side" with the theme of Rock the

Rams for their float; however, they ended up "skating on thin ice" when the float almost didn't make it in time for the parade. "I felt very embarrassed that our class's first impression on the rest of the high school was irresponsibility, but we all stuck together and had fun!" said Blair Cummings, class president.

Freshman class sponsor Margy Heddens was new to the journey as well, but she was very excited about being able to work with this class. She said, "It's been a great year. My officers are great! They've done an awesome job and have come up with a lot of good ideas!"

Between waiting the longest in the lunch line and going to their first high school dances, the class of 2006 were off and running through their high school years.

Right: Ryan Whittaker, Wade Sutton, and Dru Whetstine take a few minutes between classes to compare boys' basketball statistics that are posted outside Mr. Kahnt's room. Photo by Mary Geiger



Above: Garrett Twombly, Zach Gaarder, and Ryan Jones listen while Sarah Fischer speaks with them during the Wild For Life fair sponsored by SADD. Photo by Mary Geiger



Right: Blair Cummings, president; and Whitney Stock, secretary-treasurer, served as the freshman class officers. Not pictured: Carl Tharman, vice president. Photo by Mary Geiger





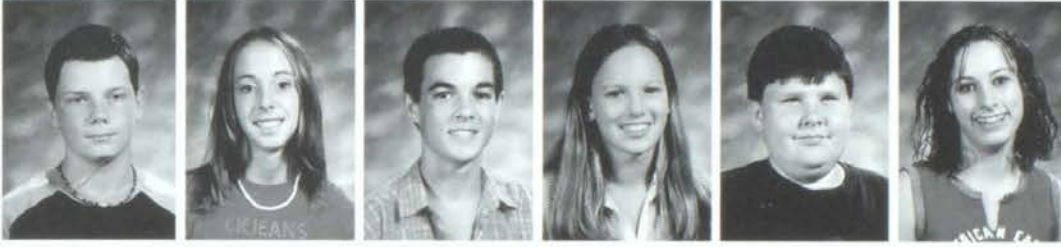
Amy Adams  
Jared Adkins  
Megan Campbell  
Blair Cummings  
Kendra Eteeyan  
Sandra Eteeyan



David Flinders  
Zach Gaarder  
Molly Geiger  
Jenna Grable  
Ginny Hodge  
Hannah Jenkins



Ryan Jones  
Nathan Keller  
Thomas Keller  
Martin Meisenheimer  
Darryl Meng  
Jeremy Mullins



Gabe Owens  
Johnna Pasch  
Tyson Rohrer  
Emily Schultz  
Cody Shelton  
Cassie Siard



Jessie Siard  
Andrew Simpson  
Micheal Springstead  
Whitney Stock  
Jessica Sutherland  
Wade Sutton



Carl Tharman  
Garrett Twombly  
Dru Whetstine  
Ryan Whittaker



Megan Campbell, Amy Adams, Blair Cummings, Jenna Grable, Whitney Stock, Jessica Sutherland, Molly Geiger, Johnna Pasch, Hannah Jenkins, and Emily Schultz quickly suck on baby bottles filled with Gatorade during freshman initiation at a pep rally. Photo by Megan Rodgers



Patently awaiting their float at the pep rally is the freshman class. Their float held up the entire parade, and they almost gave up and created a human float by walking. Photo by Megan Rodgers



# Students stay busy outside school

Spare time. Does such thing truly exist for high school students? Despite what some say, spare time was something that most students had, and greatly enjoyed having, for that matter. The high school students stayed very busy with sports, homework, and other school-related activities, as well as after-school jobs

"Working at John's has been a wonderful experience. It's the best high school job I've had. The best part about working there is that I get to see my friends when they come in and get food," said Savannah Robinson.

Students also had a wide variety of extra-curricular ac-

tivities. Some students participated in dance, soccer, baseball, and paint-balling, and some even left school at the end of the day to prepare themselves further for life after high school by taking college courses.

Kristin Jeschke went through classes to become a CNA (Certified Nurses Assistant). "Taking night classes along with going to school was a lot of work. However, once I passed the state exam, I knew it was all worth it. In fact, I have a really good job now, and the best thing about it is that I'm doing something that I love," who has been working at the Atchison Hospital since passing her exam.

Since baseball is not offered to students as a school-affiliated sport, many boys played summer ball on the American Legion team. Junior Jeff McNamee and Blaine Whetstone take a break for water during practice. Photo by Amber Wiedmer



Junior Breanna Clary uses time during one of her breaks to pick out food for the track meet the following day. Clary spent her time at John's running the cash register and stocking shelves. Photo by Amber Wiedmer

Volunteering in the community was another activity that many students took part in. Danielle Marriot gives of her time to help with the graduation school field day at the frisbee throw. Photo by Amber Wiedmer



Many students chose to fill their time out of school with a significant other. Junior Emily Albers got to attend two proms, Troy's and Wathena's, because her boyfriend, Mike Lewis, attended school at Wathena. Albers persuades Lewis to pose for a picture before leaving for Wathena's prom May 3. Photo by Jessie Wright



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"In my spare time and on the weekends, I like to go up town and have fun with my friends and find ways to make money," said sophomore Danny Rathman."

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Amy Adams and Jessica Lackey break out the moves at Kayla's Dance Class in Wathena. Photo by Amber Wiedmer.



Brett Clary takes a couple of practice swings before stepping up to the bat at baseball practice for the Legion team. Photo by Amber Wiedmer.

# A Trip through the games

Sophomore Abby Winder gets an offensive rebound and goes back up strong with the ball against two Horton defenders. Junior Tara Turpin stays back and waits for the outlet pass so the team can run their offensive fast break. Photo by Mary Geiger



Waiting for the right count in the music is junior Tara Turpin while Amber Wiedmer, Whitney Stock, Jessica Sutherland, and Jane Bond do different actions. Many of the dances included segments where the girls did different movements for variety and eye appeal. Photo by Megan Rodgers



Aaron Ruhnke, Wade Robinson, and Brett Gaul regroup after a defensive stop against the Jefferson County North Chargers. The Chargers were only the second loss of the season for the Trojans. Photo by Mary Geiger





Junior A.J. Jensen moves his feet quickly to stay with his man against Nemaha Valley in the Raider Classic tournament. Photo by Mary Geiger



Scottie Simpson and Katie Merritt motivate the crowd to cheer on the boys' basketball team at the Raider Classic Tournament. The cheerleaders cheered at every regular season game as well as at each tournament the Trojans participated in. Photo by Mary Geiger

Mary Geiger, Amber Wiedmer, and Lisa Speaks compare the race plan that Coach Tom Bond prepared for them for the Troy cross-country meet. Photo by Tara Turpin



Offering the starters a final vote of confidence in a pre-game run-through are the varsity team and coaches. This was one of the ladies' favorite pre-game traditions. The girls also wore matching socks and did their hair in matching styles for each game of the season. Photo by Zach Jenkins



Freshman Tyson Rohrer pushes himself around a flat portion of the Maur Hill cross country course. Photo by Tara Turpin

Dear Trojans,

Another stop along this journey has brought with it another letter to the viewers of this book. The stops in the sports of Troy High weren't always at victorious events, but they were always surrounded by energetic athletes giving their best.

The cross-country runners were the first athletes seen. In fact, they were seen running along a country road before the sun rose in the morning while their coaches drove alongside shouting encouraging words.

Trojan volleyball players took us into the depths of perseverance. They showed

everyone how to stick together and play as a team even when games weren't ending with victories.

The winning football tradition was reborn as the football team ended with the best record of recent years.

New direction and new attitude kept the dance team motivated and the spectators entertained.

The cheerleaders chanted, jumped, and did stunts. They kept the players playing and the fans cheering.

Girls' basketball continued the winning tradition as they won more games than most expected them to. The young Trojan team kept the ball

moving and kept this trip exciting. A second-round substate loss to Maranatha ended the ladies' season.

Big hair and shiny shoes were always present but neither was what kept us all going to the boys' basketball games. A trip to the sub-state championship was an exciting finish for this team.

March came in like a lion and went out with the Trojan track team. Runners whizzed by us, jumpers leaped to glory, and the throwers launched us to the end of the journey through the sports.

A water break might be needed after viewing the excitement of the sports; this isn't the end of our journey.



# Volleyball team focuses on continuing success

Their mission was clear: continue down the road of success. The lady Trojans began the year with the annual lock-in where they picked the theme "We don't rebuild, we reload" for the season.

With just six returning letter-winners and only two starters, they had their work cut out for them. Filling the empty spots became easier when several underclassmen stepped up and accepted roles on the varsity squad.

The Trojans began the season with a rocky start, losing their first two matches. After winning the next game, they dropped the next six. The rest of the regular season games continued to follow a

path much like this as they won and began meshing together, only to stumble and end up losing several in a row.

In an effort to play a larger variety of teams, they opted not to play in the DVL League Tournament and instead traveled to Maryville, MO, for bouts with teams from Missouri. They had high hopes to repeat the success of the previous year, but ended up coming home with one win and three losses.

The final outing for the Lady Trojans was at Sub-State where they took on and fell to their nemesis, the Wathena Wildcats.

Two Trojans received post-season honors. Tara

Clary and Abby Winder were named to the first-team all-county team. They also received second team all-league honors. "My proudest moment was when we beat Wathena. They're our biggest rival, and it's always fun to beat them! I was honored to be named to the all-county and all-league teams," said sophomore Abby Winder.

The Trojans, who ended with a 7 and 16 record, only lost two players, Kristin Jeschke and Megan Rodgers, to graduation.

"Cover!" Tara Clary swings through to hit a cross-court shot. Molly Geiger watches for blockers to protect if the hit is denied. Photo by Emily Albers



## Volleyball scores

Opponent	Result	Scores
Kansas City Christian	L	15-12, 7-15, 12-15
Oskaloosa	L	15-4, 13-15, 5-15
McLouth	W	15-2, 15-7
Jefferson County North	L	15-6, 4-15, 13-15
Pleasant Ridge	L	15-3, 15-5
Jackson Heights	L	15-1, 15-5
Centralia	L	1-15, 2-15
Hiawatha	L	2-15, 4-15
Mt. Academy	L	15-8, 0-15, 8-15
Midway	W	18-16, 15-8
Horton	L	5-15, 15-8, 2-15
Highland	W	15-6, 15-10
Highland	L	10-15, 13-15
Elwood	W	15-5, 15-4
Horton	L	4-15, 4-15
Valley Falls	L	10-15, 6-15
Fairfax	L	0-15, 3-15
Metro	L	8-15, 1-15
Berean Academy	W	15-10, 15-8
Central	L	0-15, 1-15
Wathena	W	15-6, 16-14
Jefferson County North	W	8-15, 15-6, 15-12
Wathena (Sub-State)	L	

Above Right: "Four!" Sophomore Bethany Jenkins prepares to hit a set in the four position from freshman Whitney Stock. Shana Kostman prepares to transition from offense to defense. Photo by Zach Jenkins

Bottom Right "Keep your platform flat!" Bri Mendell gets low and waits for the ball so she can pass it up to the setter. Bethany Jenkins and Blair Cummings assist Mendell while Abby Winder and Tara Clary prepare to hit. Photo by Emily Albers







Left: "Down and stopped!" Abby Winder, Megan Rodgers, and Blair Cummings get low and wait for the ball to come down on defense. Photo by Emily Albers

Below: "Ready, up!" Defenders Abby Winder and Blair Cummings jump together for a double-block against Wathena. Photo by Emily Albers



Front row: Molly Geiger and Bethany Jenkins. Row 2: Kelsey Thomas, Jenna Grable, Emily Schultz, Megan Campbell, Jena Pickerell, Katie Merritt, and Bethany Grable. Row 3: Manager Courtney Morgan, Johnna Pasch, Whitney Stock, Shana Kostman, Manager Scottee Simpson, Aleena Rohrer, Hannah Jenkins, Megan Rodgers, and Manager Emily Merritt. Row 4: Kristin Jeschke, Bri Mendell, Abby Winder, Head Coach Stacy Kahnt, Assistant Coach Crystal Trant, Tara Clary, Blair Cummings, and Jessica Sutherland.



"Fire up!" The varsity team goes through the pre-game schedule. Abby Winder takes some practice swings at the net while Megan Rodgers, Molly Geiger, and Kelsey Thomas warm up their setting techniques. Photo by Emily Alber



# Harriers battle low numbers and rigorous workouts

The Trojan cross-country team took another trip down memory lane. The team, consisting of five returning and three new runners, competed at eight meets. The girls had a team until junior Tara Turpin was injured. She was out for most of the season, but finished with the team, running at the DVL meet at Rim Rock and the regional meet at Horton. The guys never completely had a full team. Juniors AJ Jensen and Jay Ruhnke helped the three runners at the DVL meet.

It's still important to feel as a team even though so few people go out. The girls painted sweats to wear for

warm ups before every meet. The whole team had a sub/pasta dinner before one of their meets and a spaghetti dinner, and, after the regional meet, they enjoyed pizza.

Lisa Speaks reflected on the team gatherings: "I thought the dinners were a lot of fun. It gave the team a great chance to get over the nerves that the races caused."

Running at meets was the easy part for the cross country team as they arrived at school by about 6:15 every morning for practice, and two times each week they practiced after school as

well. Contrary to popular belief, running six miles each practice was not what these runners did. In fact, they spent many practices on the track running short distances to increase their speed. They also did many different types of strength training and flexibility exercises.

"I will remember the good times I had with my friends running and how hard we each worked to achieve our goals for the season," said Tory Eylar.

"Is that straight?" Senior Jane Bond quickly pins her number on before the last regular season meet begins at Jackson Heights. Photo by Tara Turpin



## Individual Best

### Boys (3 mile)

Tory Eylar	18:34
Tyson Rohrer	21:09
David Winder	21:50
A.J. Jensen	22:55
Jay Ruhnke	23:10

### Girls (2 mile)

Lisa Speaks	15:19
Amber Wiedmer	14:52
Mary Geiger	16:06
Jane Bond	16:10
Tara Turpin	17:14

Above right: "Chatting away." The girls' team finishes their warm-up and visits with each other to calm their nerves before the first meet of the year at Maur Hill. The meet established times for them to work from to improve. Photo by Emily Albers



Right: "Chowing Down!" The boys' team enjoys Subway after the league meet at Rim Rock. AJ Jensen and Jay Ruhnke, who hadn't run all year, helped out by running so that the guys would have a full team. "I wanted to see how good of shape I was in and I wanted to help the other guys out so they could run as a team at DVL," said Jensen. Also, Tara Turpin helped the girls so they would have a team. Photo by Jane Bond







"I'm going to beat you!" Amber Wiedmer and Lisa Speaks push each other during the middle of the race at Jackson Heights. This was the county meet. They both received 2<sup>nd</sup> team all-county. Photo by Tara Turpin.

"Going for the gold." Tory Eylar strides to finish the Jackson Heights race. Despite how cold the weather was, he still received 1<sup>st</sup> team all-county. Photo by Tara Turpin.



"How much longer?" Senior Mary Geiger focuses on the finish line at the Jackson Heights meet. This was the county meet, and Geiger received 2<sup>nd</sup> team all-county. Photo by Tara Turpin



Front Row: Mary Geiger, Jane Bond, Lisa Speaks, Amber Wiedmer. Back Row: Coach Kevin McNorton, Tyson Rohrer, Tory Eylar, Tara Turpin. Not pictured: Asst. Coach Tom Bond



# Spirit squads excel under separate sponsors

New and old instruction made for an exciting and memorable year for the Troy High spirit squads. Under new direction from Brenda Turpin, the dance team experimented and excelled during performances. With Stacy Kahnt's guidance the cheerleaders increased school spirit during and between games.

The cheerleaders started the year with a Universal Cheer Association (UCA) camp. They learned many new cheers, chants, and stunts for the upcoming year.

"We learned many new things for all aspects of

cheerleading. The stuff we learned helped us the whole year," said Bethany Jenkins. They also attended a Spirit Spreader in Highland with cheer squads from other schools where they not only learned how to stunt but also the legalities of doing so.

The dancers' year also started with a Universal Dance Association (UDA) camp where they learned three new dances to perform for the upcoming year. They were also allowed to attend the Spirit Spreader in Highland. A new thing they tried was a guy/girl dance for the Queen of Courts pep rally. The dance team had nine

basketball players dance with them to a modern mix.

"I thought it was fun. It was a good way to get the guys involved. I think that the stunt was the best part," said Derek Shelton.

In addition to performing at high school games, the dancers hosted a Kiddy Clinic for local grade school students. Saturday, February 8, the high school dance team dedicated their time and enthusiasm to teaching a western dance to the children.

"Clap your hands, everybody!" Sophomore Bethany Jenkins tries to build excitement in the student body for the upcoming Wathena games. Photo by Megan Rodgers



Front row: Scottee Simpson and Captain Courtney Morgan. Row 2: Kiley Franken, Bethany Jenkins, and Katie Merritt. Photo by Mary Geiger



Front row: Co-captain Jane Bond and Co-captain Megan Rodgers. Row 2: Amber Wiedmer, Savannah Robinson, and Tara Turpin. Row 3: Whitney Stock, Amy Adams, Blair Cummings, Jessica Sutherland, and Jenna Grable. Photo by Scholastic

"Some days you gotta dance!" The dancers perform an upbeat routine during halftime of the Highland vs. Troy game. The youngsters that participated in the Kiddy Clinic watched the high school team after completely their portion of the halftime entertainment. Photo by Zach Jenkins







Left: "A little louder now!" Scottee Simpson and Bethany Jenkins use their spirit to get the school pumped and excited about the upcoming game. This was before the first basketball against Wathena. Photo by Megan Rodgers

Below: "Five, six, seven, eight." Many of the dancers' performances included times when each girl was doing a different motion to add variety and effect to the dance. Megan Rodgers, Jane Bond, Savannah Robinson, and Amber Wiedmer carefully keep beat with the music during their performance at Highland Community College. Photo by Scottee Simpson



"Do Your Thing!" The dancers all fly through the air as they perform a hip-hop routine. They were asked to perform this at the halftime of an Highland Community College girls' basketball game. "I thought it was really fun dancing at Highland. It was good experience and also a privilege to be asked to dance there," said junior Amber Wiedmer. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Above: "Yell with us!" Courtney Morgan and Kiley Franken get the community excited for the Homecoming pep rally. The cheerleaders spent extra time planning the Homecoming pep rally because citizens from around the town attended. Photo by Zach Jenkins



# Football team builds on recent years' success

The 2002 Trojans were second in the district and earned a playoff spot with a regular season record of 7-2. They ended their season with a 7-3 record.

The Trojans shared success as a team by opening up the field with a new offense that "took to the air" on several occasions.

"I think that our passing game worked so well for two reasons, a great 'O' line and receivers running good patterns," said quarterback Jared Sutherland.

After the regular season, the only two losses were against JCN and Jackson Heights. The Trojans had

high hopes for post-season glory; however, they were knocked out of the playoffs by the Lebo Wolves who crushed the Trojans' hopes for a state title.

Seven players received postseason honors. Brett Gaul, Wade Robinson, Josh Engemann, Jared Sutherland, Joe Clary, Jeff McNemee, and Tyler Ferris were named to the DVL All-League teams. Jared Sutherland and Wade Robinson were also named to All-State teams.

This season brought back the meaning of "Trojan Football." The team seemed to be continuously climbing out of a rut. Two years ago,

the team ended the season with a record of 1-8. Last year, the team improved to a 5-4 record. This year was 7-3.

Head coach Don Cash commented on the success of the team: "I was pleased with the improvement of the team this year. With the senior leadership, we were able to be successful, and I feel that this success will continue into the 2003 football season."



Right: "The Kid with the Boot." Sophomore Derek Shelton stretches before kicking an extra point against Lebo. Photo by Mary Geiger

## Football Scores

Opponent	Win/Loss	Score
Onaga	W	40-33
Pleasant Ridge	W	22-14
Jackson Heights	L	12-56
Horton	W	28-6
Valley Falls	W	28-13
Oskaloosa	W	38-15
McLouth	W	58-0
JCN	L	6-27
Wathena	W	36-14
Lebo	L	12-41

Center Right: "Reading the play." Linebackers Guy Masters and Brett Gaul get ready to stop the play. Linebackers traditionally sit back to watch the play develop, but the Trojans sent a blitz on many occasions. Photo by Mary Geiger

Right: "Taking a dive." Junior Jay Ruhnke takes time to rest after catching a ball against JCN. Despite his efforts, the Trojans lost the game. Photo by Mary Geiger







Left: "Shooting the game." Nose guard Wade Robinson prepares to make a hole for the blitzing Aaron Ruhnke and Tyler Ferris. Photo by Mary Geiger

Below: "Catch me if you can." Junior Jeff McNemee runs after JCN's running back, Caleb Noll. Photo by Mary Geiger



Front Row: Sean Reynolds, Guy Masters, Martin Meisenheimer, Tim Snead, Bret Johnson, Austin Stock, Carl Tharman, Tyler Ferris, Brian Horner, Zach Gaarder, and Jay Johnson. Row 2: Jordan Frump, David Flinders, Dru Whetstine, Garrett Twombly, Josh Engemann, A.J. Jensen, Gabe Owens, Bryan Stewart, Colby Cluck, and Dominic Martinez. Row 3: Asst. Coach Bruce Reynolds, Asst. Coach Byron Marshall, Nolan Franken, Derek Shelton, Aaron Ruhnke, Wade Sutton, Kyle Koehler, Jay Ruhnke, Brady Cummings, Miles Clary, and Head Coach Don Cash. Row 4: Joe Clary, Wade Robinson, Michael Cluck, Blaine Whetstine, Jeff McNemee, Kyle Greaser, Jared Sutherland, John Hoverson, and Brett Gaul.

Above: "Left it fly." Junior Jared Sutherland pulls back to throw a pass under pressure. The passing game was a key part of the Trojans' offense. Photo by Mary Geiger





The senior class patiently waits for the parade to begin. The seniors transformed their float into a wrestling ring in order to fit their theme, "Wrestle the Rams." Photo by Naomi Fellabaum.

Head Coach Stacy Kahnt reflects on the trying season the lady Trojans had endured and expresses her hopes for the last few games left in the season. The Trojans finished the season with 7 wins and 15 losses. Photo by Zach Jenkins.



## Homecoming Favorites



"Seeing the end result turn out so good and playing on the field that night were the best part about painting the field," said Brett Gaul.



"My favorite part was the parade and pep rally. The float competition was a lot of fun!" said Lisa Speaks.

Coach Kevin McNorton gives an inspirational speech to his cross country team. Freshman runner, Tyson Rohrer, said about the season overall: "My first season of cross country was harder than I expected. I did have some guys in my class go out, but they quit. It was fun, and I made new friends! I look forward to going out again next year!" Photo by Zach Jenkins.

Head Coach Don Cash tries to get the football team pumped up for the Homecoming game that evening against the Pleasant Ridge Rams. Junior Jeff McNemee said, "My favorite part and only memory of Homecoming was WINNING!!" Photo by Zach Jenkins.



The dance team grooves to the song "Unbelievable." Freshman Blair Cummings said, "I was a little nervous about performing in front of so many people for my first performance on the dance team. The crowd always does that to me, but I like performing so I would say that I was more excited than anything!" Photo by Zach Jenkins.



The senior candidates pose for pictures after the crowning. The candidates were as follows: Wade Robinson, Courtney Morgan, Blaine Whetstine, Jane Bond, Josh Engemann, Savannah Robinson, Brett Gaul, and Kristin Jeschke. The attendants were Braden Grossman, Trenton Ruhnke, Megan Deleon, and Mikaela Campbell. "It was an honor to be voted king. It didn't really matter to me who won because everyone that was up for king and queen was my best friends. I'm just glad I won with Jane because she has always been one my closest friends," said King Blaine Whetstine shortly after being crowned. Photo by Naomi Fellabaum.



# Nightmare on South Park?

## School spirit and enthusiasm curb superstitions about date

The week of Homecoming began with a bang and ended with one also.

To kick off Spirit Week, the students celebrated by wearing their favorite pajamas to school Monday. The next three days the students wore team shirts in support of each team. Tuesday was Volleyball Day, Wednesday was Cross-Country Day, and Thursday was Football Day. Friday was selected Blue-and-White Day. In past years a class competition coincided with the dress-up days to promote participation, but this year that was not done. Overall though, the majority of the students participated by showing pride

in the sports' teams.

Friday afternoon the students participated in the Homecoming parade. Each class was responsible for selecting its own theme, and designing a float for the parade. The senior class chose "Wrestle the Rams." "Wipe out the Rams" was the theme selected by the juniors.

The sophomores opted for "Cage the Rams." Finally, the freshman, although running a little late, chose the theme of "Rock the Rams." The sophomores won the contest because of their creativity. They used a live ram, supplied by Dale Whiteside.

Senior Zach Jenkins said, "I

think the Homecoming parade went very well and everyone had a very good float. Everyone worked very hard on the floats and it is just fun to be able to show them off."

After a few cheers and pep talks from each coach, it was time for the last event of the parade, the candidates' game. The seniors participated in a mini-relay race that included wheel-barreling and passing a football. Jane Bond and Blaine Whetstine won the race, and they were presented with treats for their success.

The highlight of the week was the coronation of Bond and Whetstine; however, it was not the only exciting

event.

The football game began after the coronation. The 22-14 win over the Pleasant Ridge Rams was a perfect ending to the week.

Following the football game, a dance was held in the old gym. Student council sponsored the annual dance and chose the theme "Rams' Worst Nightmare" because Homecoming fell Friday the 13th. Dancing with friends and enjoying the refreshments provided by the student council were how many students wrapped up the Homecoming festivities.



# Boys' basketball starts rocky, finishes solid

The Trojan basketball team had a successful year, ending as runners-up at sub-state with a record of 15-8.

The Trojans began the season with a loss to KC Christian. Then, as if a flame were lit, the Trojans went on an eight-game winning streak. The flame was blown out by the Nemaha Valley Raiders in the first game of the 23<sup>rd</sup> annual Raider Classic. The Trojans went on to place sixth in the tournament.

The season advanced with just as many wins as losses. The season was rapidly coming to a close with the coveted sub-state trophy up for grabs, as well as a trip to the state tournament.

The Trojans glided by Maranatha and Valley Falls in the first two rounds of the tournament with nail-biting finishes of 63-60 and 61-60, respectively. The Trojans advanced to the sub-state championship game, only to lose to Jackson Heights.

"It was great being in the championship game, but I was really disappointed when we lost," said senior Brett Gaul.

Jackson Heights went on to win the state title, giving the Trojans 9<sup>th</sup> place in the state standings.

In the post-season, players were recognized for their outstanding performances on the court. Jeff McNemee

and Brett Gaul were chosen 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-County. Josh Engemann earned a spot on the 2<sup>nd</sup> team All-County. Jeff McNemee also made it onto the All-League Team. Josh Engemann received Honorable Mention.

Head Coach Joel Kahnt commented on the success of the team: "We had an outstanding season. We worked extremely hard and improved throughout the season. We are going to continue to work towards our goal of the state tournament."



Right: "Look at me! Look at me!" Senior Josh Engemann models the Trojans' new white uniforms. The Trojans also received new blue uniforms. Photo by Tara Turpin.

## Basketball Scores

Opponent	Win/Loss	Score
KC Christian	L	77-66
Wathena	W	67-53
McLouth	W	72-58
Highland	W	57-46
Midway	W	66-59
Elwood	W	74-44
Pleasant Ridge	W	80-59
Midway	W	62-54
McLouth	W	78-63
Nemaha Valley	L	72-57
Horton	W	54-42
Hiawatha	L	69-55
KC Christian	L	74-64
Valley Falls	L	67-62
Highland	W	93-45
Jackson Heights	L	78-51
Wathena	W	62-53
Horton	W	54-40
Oskaloosa	L	61-59
JCN	W	67-46
Maranatha	W	63-60
Valley Falls	W	61-60
Jackson Heights	L	75-49

Above Right: "To the Lay," Brett Gaul finishes the fast break with a layup against Highland. The Trojans won the game 78-63. Photo by Kristin Jeschke.

Right: "Relief." Bret Johnson and B-Joe Rizer prepare to give two of their teammates some rest. Keeping fresh players in the game was important to the Trojans' fast-paced offense. Photo by Kristin Jeschke.







Left: "Play it clean!" The referee tosses the ball up so Jeff McNemee can try to out jump his opponent and give Troy the first possession against the Pleasant Ridge Rams. Photo by Kristin Jeschke

Below: "Play together!" Head Coach Joel Kahnt discusses strategy with Brett Clary, Jared Sutherland, and Jeff McNemee during a time out in the Highland game. Photo by Kristin Jeschke



Front Row: Andrew Simpson, Tyson Rohrer, Dru Whetstine, Nathan Keller, David Flinders, Thomas Keller, and Nathan Keller. Row 2: Josh Engemann, Jay Johnson, Zach Gaarder, Garrett Twombly, Jeremy Etherton, and A.J. Jensen. Row 3: Head Coach Joel Kahnt, Carl Tharman, Austin Stock, Derek Shelton, David Winder, Nolan Franken, Bret Johnson, Tim Snead, and Assistant Coach Byron Marshall. Row 4: Brett Gaul, Kyle Kochler, Brett Clary, Jeff McNemee, Kyle Greaser, Jared Sutherland, Jay Ruhnke, and Wade Sutton.



Above: "Move your feet!" Jared Sutherland slides his feet and keeps his hands active while playing man-to-man defense against the Nemaha Valley Raiders. Photo by Mary Geiger



# Young Trojans shoot for victorious season

The female basketball players entered their season much like the volleyball team, hoping to repeat a trip to the state tournament.

Expectations of a successful season among the players were very high from the beginning, despite not receiving much credit in pre-season polls.

"Even though I was a freshman and hadn't played with these girls very much in summer leagues, I was really excited by how practices went, and almost beating Horton in the DVL tournament championship made me really excited to play more games," said freshman shooting-guard Molly Geiger.

With only one senior on the squad, the coaching staff relied on the juniors for leadership and on the underclass-

men to accept large roles from early in the season. Twenty-one girls participated, and 12 of them were freshmen or sophomores.

Overcoming expectations, the ladies entered the Hiawatha tournament with a 7-2 record. They hit some speed bumps and lost all games in the tournament. They continued to swing back and forth, and ended the season at 14 and 8.

In the sub-state tournament, the ladies fell to Maranatha in the semi-finals. They almost pulled the game out after fighting back from a 20-point deficit.

Three members of the team received post-season honors. Abby Winder was the only Trojan named to the

unanimous all-league squad, but Tara Clary received honorable mention. Winder and Clary were also first-team all-county. In addition, freshman Molly Geiger was named to the second-team all-county squad.

"We worked really hard and came together as a team. I think we surprised a lot of people. We won't lose any players to graduation, so expectations are only higher for future seasons!" said junior starter Tara Turpin.

Right: "Block her!" Junior Tara Turpin makes a defensive stop against an aggressive Horton Charger team. Turpin was known during the season for her quick feet on defense. Photo by Mary Geiger



## Basketball Scores

Opponent	Win/Loss	Score
Wathena	L	48-46
Oskaloosa	W	50-45
JCN	W	40-28
Horton	L	45-44
Midway	W	58-34
Elwood	W	60-17
Pleasant Ridge	W	68-66
Midway	W	68-29
McLouth	W	42-35
Rock Creek	L	56-55
Falls City	L	53-50
Jackson Heights	L	52-42
KC Christian	W	54-41
Valley Falls	L	57-51
Highland	W	56-34
Jackson Heights	W	55-52
Wathena	W	52-46
Horton	L	60-35
Oskaloosa	W	48-46
JCN	W	64-47
Jackson Heights	W	60-42
Maranatha	L	48-43

Middle: "Strong with the ball." Sophomore star Abby Winder pulls the ball through to keep it away from the defender while her offensive teammates work for an open shot. Winder, who averaged 21 points per game, was the leading scorer for the Trojans. Photo by Mary Geiger

Right: "Bring the ball up the court." Junior point-guard Tara Clary slowly dribbles the ball towards the offensive end of the court after the Horton Chargers scored a basket. Clary was on the *St. Joseph Newspress* leaders board in assists as she averaged 7.3 assists per game. Photo by Mary Geiger







Left: "Let's go!" Abby Winder, Molly Geiger, and Bri Mendell, varsity starters, give each other a final vote of confidence before the Queen of Courts game against Valley Falls. Photo by Kristin Jeschke

Below: "Slide your feet." Emily Albers moves with her defensive opponent in a man-to-man defense. The Trojans used a combination of man-to-man and zone defenses to confuse opponents. Photo by Brady Cummings



Above: "Going up strong!" Junior Bri Mendell attempts to shoot over the outstretched hands of Midway defenders. Photo By Brady Cummings



Front Row: Tara Clary, Tara Turpin, Emily Albers, Molly Geiger, and Aleena Rohrer. Row 2: Jena Pickerell, Bethany Grable, Kelsey Thomas, Breanna Clary, Jessica Sutherland, and Bethany Jenkins. Row 3: Mikaela Martinez, Johnna Pasch, Lisa Speaks, Amber Douglas, Whitney Stock, and Manager Jenna Grable. Row 4: Head Coach Derek Jasper, Bri Mendell, Abby Winder, Megan Campbell, Blair Cummings, and Assistant Coach Kevin McNorton.



Seniors: Alicia Owens and Sara Randolph do their share of decorating the senior wall. Seniors won the wall contest. "I thought the wall looked very good. I especially liked the silver shoes that got put up by Queen's cut out. I enjoyed decorating the wall," said Alicia Owens." Photo by Mary Geiger



Mary Geiger, Courtney Morgan, Queen Scottee Simpson, and Savannah Robinson sit on their thrones while friends and family take pictures. "My favorite part about Queen of Courts actually had nothing to do with the "competition" of it all. Getting all dressed up and seeing the other girls look so beautiful was so fun!" said candidate Mary Geiger. Photo by Zach Jenkins



In an effort to win the final class competition they would compete in, seniors Nicole Cluck and Mikaela Martinez paint posters to hang on the senior wall for Queen of Courts. Photo by Mary Geiger



### Queen of Courts Favorites



"Even though performing was fun, my favorite part of the girl/boy dance was watching the boys try to learn it!" said Savannah Robinson



"Dancing with the girls was fun. It ended up being more fun than I thought it would be when we started practicing," said Austin Stock.

Above Right: Members of the varsity basketball teams participate in a friendly game of basketball with slightly modified rules. They played on scooters and couldn't dribble the ball! The boys won each game. Photo by Megan Rodgers

Right: King Brett Gaul and Queen Scottee Simpson share their happiness after being crowned. "My first thought after being crowned was that I hope the crown fits," said King Brett Gaul Photo by Zach Jenkins





After the crowning Josh Engemann, Mary Geiger, Wade Robinson, Courtney Morgan, King Brett Gaul, Queen Scottee Simpson, B-Joe Rizer, and Savannah Robinson, along with attendants Hannah Ploeger, Collin Jasper, Jay Whetstine, and Alexis Kahnt stand in formation while family and friends take pictures. "I was really glad when I won because I was up against some really stiff competition. Overall I think the evening went splendidly and I wouldn't change one aspect of the night for anything," said Queen Scottee Simpson. Photo by Zach Jenkins



## Queen of Courts brings students together in fun, games

Scottie Simpson and Brett Gaul were crowned King and Queen of Courts February 7 during the boys' halftime against Valley Falls.

The crowning was the high-point of the evening with both varsity teams being defeated.

"I was very disappointed about the outcome of that game. We lost, but we knew we could beat them, and we proved it by beating them in Substate. The worst part about losing that game was that it was in front of the biggest crowd of the season, and we

disappointed them," said Jeff McNemee junior.

A pep rally was held the day of Queen of Courts.

The rally started with the cheerleaders chanting uplifting cheers. The rally then moved to the candidates' game where candidates were paired with their escorts and competed against each other in a piggyback, hula-hoop, lay-up relay race. Geiger and Engemann won the race.

"I think the reason we won was because of Mary's and my excellent team work and

athletic ability," said Engemann.

After the relay race, the dance team, accompanied by members of the varsity boys' basketball team, performed a boy/girl dance.

"I think the best part of the boy/girl dance was when the boys did the stunts because it was cool to see the guys do the stunts that we do," said Jessica Sutherland, freshman.

After the boy/girl dance, the boys' and girls' varsity teams competed against each other in a scooter basketball

game. The game consisted of 5-minute quarters.

To conclude the pep rally, cheerleaders led the student body in the "Fight Song."

After the games, a "Sweetheart" dance was held in honor of the King and Queen. Decorations consisted of red and pink hearts and streamers.

"The best part of the Queen of Courts dance for me was dancing with Michael [Cluck]. He made me laugh by making me fast dance with him," said Bethany Gable, sophomore.



# Record-breaking track season

This track season was definitely a record-setting season. Many people broke school records and set personal bests.

The guys' 4x100 team set a new record of 44.4 seconds and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at regionals. The team was AJ Jensen, Tyler Ferris, Josh Engemann, and Jared Sutherland.

The 4x400 team set a school record at regionals with a time of 3:33.4 and placed 1<sup>st</sup>. The team was AJ Jensen, Nolan Franken, Jared Sutherland, and Tyler Ferris. Both relays qualified for state.

Tyler Ferris broke his own school record in the 100-meter dash with a time of

11.15. He qualified for state in the open 100 along with Josh Engemann and AJ Jensen. Engemann also qualified in the triple jump with a jump of 43' and in the long jump. Jensen also qualified in the open 200-meter dash.

Other people who qualified for state were Jeff McNemee in discus and javelin, Wade Robinson in shot put, and Nolan Franken in the 300 meter hurdles.

The guys' team placed 14<sup>th</sup> in the entire 2A division. Josh Engemann placed 6<sup>th</sup> in triple jump and 6<sup>th</sup> in the 100 meter dash. AJ Jensen placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the 100 meter dash. The 4x100 relay placed 2<sup>nd</sup>.

On the girls' side, although

no one qualified for state, there were still many personal bests and a record set. The 4x800 relay broke the record set in 2002 with 11:10. Sophomore Abby Winder placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in shot put and javelin at the DVL meet.

"I was pleased with the results of this track season. Even though we didn't do as well as we hoped at state, we still set a record that will stand for a long time," said senior Josh Engemann.

Right: Juniors Tara Turpin and Lisa Speaks make the last handoff of the year in the 4x800 relay. The team placed 5<sup>th</sup>. Jane Bond and Amy Adams were also part of the team.



## Track Results

Location	Boys	Girls
Panther Relays	1st	
McLouth Relays	3rd	8th
Jefferson County West	2nd	
Doniphan County	1st	3rd
Midway	1st	6th
DVL	1st	11th
Regionals	1st	
State	14th	

Above right: The guys' team poses for pictures after being named the regional champions. The team not only won regionals, but they were also county champions and DVL champions. Photo by Jane Bond.

Right: Junior Jared Sutherland soars through the air in high jump at the regional track meet held in McLouth. Sutherland cleared 6'2" which placed him in 4<sup>th</sup> and qualified him for state. Sutherland also qualified in the 4x100 meter relay, 4x400 meter relay, and the long jump. Photo by Jane Bond.







Left: Sophomore Nolan Franken glides over a hurdle during the 300-meter hurdles at regional track. Nolan placed 4<sup>th</sup> which qualified him for state. He also set a new school record with a new time of 43 seconds. Photo by Jane Bond.

Below: Sophomore Abby Winder throws the javelin at the DVL track meet. She placed 5<sup>th</sup> at the regional meet, just missing the chance to participate in state. Photo by Savannah Robinson.

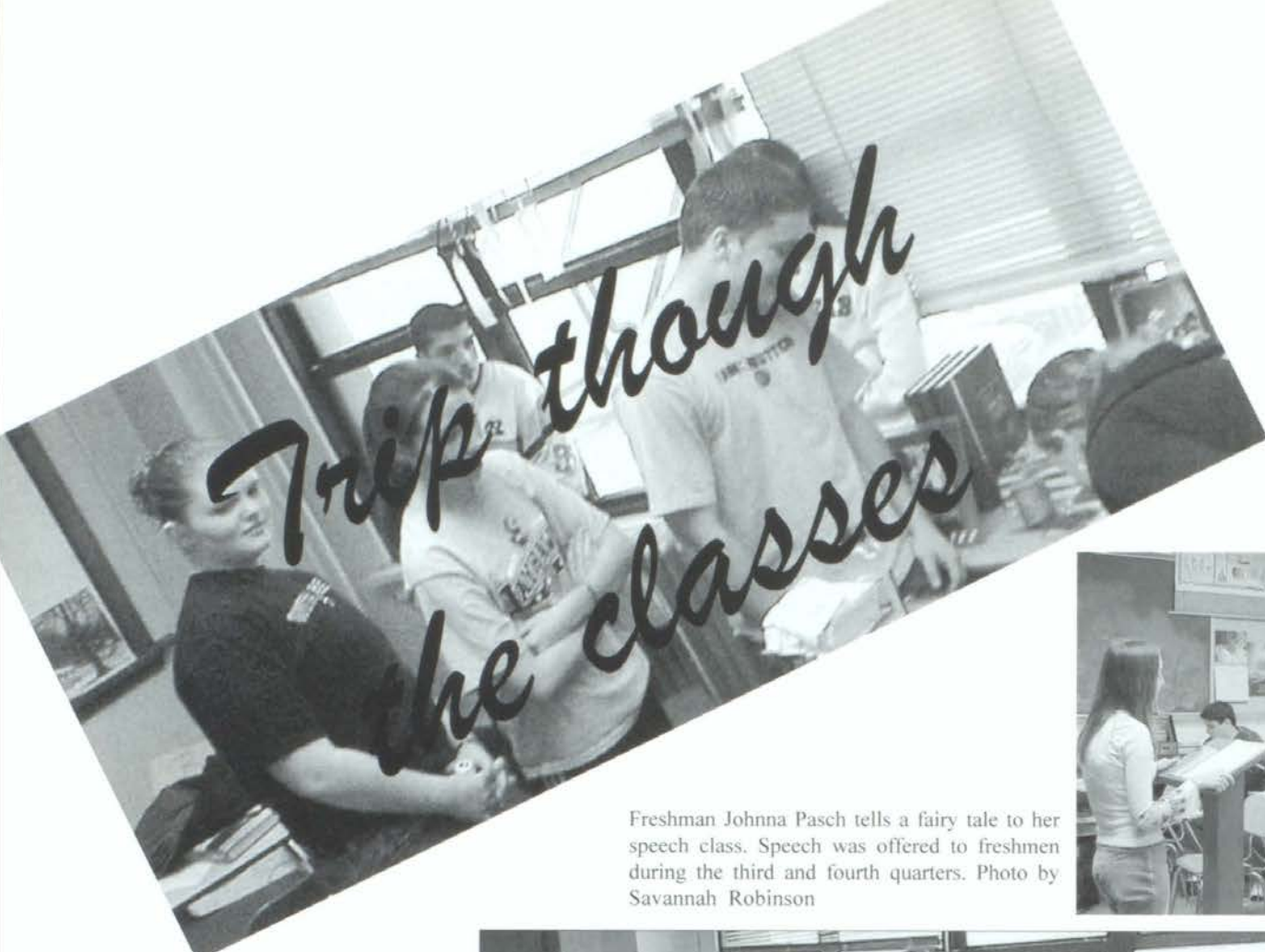


Above: Senior Wade Robinson throws the shot put at the DVL track meet in Mclouth. This was Wade's first year of track. At the regional track meet, Wade placed 2<sup>nd</sup> which qualified him for state. Photo by Savannah Robinson.



Front Row: Manager Kelsey Thomas, Amber Wiedmer, Tory Eylar, Savannah Robinson, Emily Schultz, Hannah Jenkins, and Breanna Clary. Row 2: Jeff McNemee, Sean Reynolds, Abby Winder, Stephanie Adams, John Hoverson, Lisa Speaks, Tara Turpin, Jane Bond, Molly Geiger, Amy Adams, and Jessica Sutherland. Row 3: Miles Clary, Tyler Ferris, Nolan Franken, Jay Johnson, Tim Snead, Brady Cummings, and Austin Stock. Row 4: Jared Sutherland, AJ Jensen, Josh Engemann, and Bret Johnson.





Freshman Johnna Pasch tells a fairy tale to her speech class. Speech was offered to freshmen during the third and fourth quarters. Photo by Savannah Robinson



Earning extra credit in classes was something all students did whenever they could. Tory Eylar explains to his chemistry class about a science-related news article for five extra points. Photo by Tara Turpin



Carefully factoring polynomials in Algebra II are Danielle Marriott, Tara Clary, Nolan Franken, and Andy Boyle. There were two Algebra II classes taught by Mr. Byron Marshall. Most students who took Algebra II were sophomores and juniors, but there were a few seniors who opted to take this class. Photo by Tara Turpin





Zach Jenkins watches time on a stop-watch while Mr. Byron Marshall sends pennies down a conveyor belt during a lab experiment dealing with rate. Photo by Mary Geiger

Todd Whittaker, Jay Johnson, Megan Rodgers, Kyle Koehler, and Derek Shelton listen to Mr. Rice explaining the architectural structure of a house during the first semester. Photo by Savannah Robinson



Junior Siobhan Leger flips through her chemistry book before writing down an answer on a chapter review. Several classes were held in the middle school until the elevator was completed in February. Photo by Amber Wiedmer

Dear Trojans,

Any journey through a school year would not be complete without a trip through the classrooms. In fact, time in the classroom consumed much of our trip. We spent time challenging our brains doing anything from preparing speeches for public speaking and building machines in physics, to using the quadratic formula in algebra and increasing our maximum lifts in weights.

English students applied the grammar skills they learned in writing response papers to stories and videos they watched in mythology and genre analysis.

The Spanish class's journey took a step further into Spanish culture when every student chose a new Spanish name to be used each class period.

Web design and multimedia use gave the computer classes many exciting stops along this journey.

Even though the textbook lessons were important for science students, applying these lessons in hands-on lab activities were also vital to these students.

Social science students could be found visiting the old and new. Students studied everything from the writing of the Constitution to the



Mrs. Margy Heddens, first-year math and Spanish teacher at Troy High School, explains to her geometry class about angles before they complete an activity. Photo by Tara Turpin

Focusing on using correct form while completing his squat workout is A.J. Jensen. Austin Stock concentrates on spotting Jensen during his lift. The squat was one of four core lifts that the weights and conditioning students did. Photo by Amber Wiedmer



unfolding of the war in Iraq.

Agriculture education and industrial arts courses journeyed through topics ranging from plant propagation to drafting houses, and each student had the chance to stop in the shop to build personal projects along the way.

Math students' travels took them to the far-reaching areas of algebraic equations and anti-derivatives.

Journeying through the classes was exhausting at times, but do not hit the brakes yet because there are still many stops to make.



# Writing, speaking skills improved in English, Spanish classes

Analyzing poetry, taking dialog tests, giving speeches, and selecting Spanish names to use when in class were things that every English and Spanish student experienced at one point in time.

Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and Mrs. Babetta Israel taught the English courses. Every student had either teacher, as English is required for all four years to graduate.

The freshmen and sophomores took courses with only other students of the same grade. Some of these classes included mythology, public speaking, grammar skills, and short story analysis.

Juniors and seniors combined and took classes from either teacher that lasted one quarter. Seniors were required

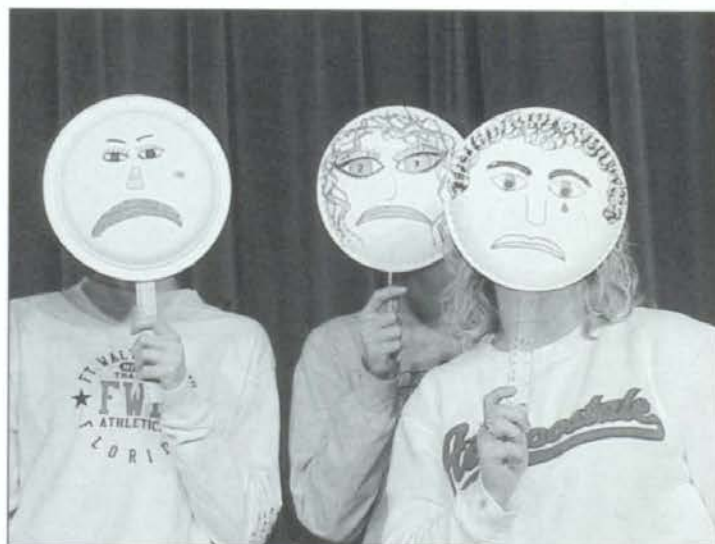
to take genre analysis with Mrs. Rockey, while juniors wrote research papers with Mrs. Israel.

College composition was offered to juniors and seniors. The first semester was focused on nonfiction writing, and the second semester dealt with fiction. Students read works and then wrote analysis papers.

Mrs. Margy Heddens focused on bringing the Spanish culture closer to home as she worked on improving the student's conversational skills.

Spanish II read papers written in Spanish and translated them into English. Spanish I students started with the basics as they learned vocabulary and basic verb conjugations.

"My favorite part of the Greek plays was dressing up in my costume. It was a fun way to learn about plays that would have been a little boring to read," said Tory Eylar. Photo by Josh Engemann



"I thought the Greek plays were a lot of fun. We don't get to do in-class activities that often, so I thought this was a really special treat. Plus, the plays gave the students a chance to teach each other about Greek mythology," said senior Megan Rodgers. Photo by Josh Engemann



Above: "I thought speech class was fun! We got to learn a lot, but the best part was telling the stories!" said freshman Amy Adams. The freshman speech class did a variety of presentations that included story telling, an informative speech, and prose readings. Photo by Savannah Robinson

Center: "Doing the Shakespeare storyboards was a much easier way to learn the basic storyline from his plays without actually having to read the whole plays because it took much less time and it was fun!" said senior Ray Anderson. Photo by Mary Geiger



"It was easier to learn from watching people perform rather than reading all of the Greek stories. The actors made it easier to understand by making it more modern," said Bridget Shelton. The theatre survey class prepared and presented famous Greek plays for a class assignment. Photo by Mary Geiger



"Getting outside to practice our vocabulary words with sidewalk chalk was a lot of fun, plus, it let us enjoy the nice weather," said Jocelyn Bishop. The Spanish classes also colored egg shells and filled them with confetti, which is a tradition in Mexico. Photo by Mary Geiger

"I think the different activities like making our pinatas were a good way to learn about Spanish culture," said Jena Pickerell. In addition to the pinatas, the Spanish II class also visited third graders once a week to teach them Spanish. Then, in May, they had a field day for the third graders to play traditional Spanish games in honor of Cinco de Mayo. Photo by Zach Jenkins

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"The most rewarding aspect of being a language arts teacher here at Troy High School has to be watching the majority of students grow in reading, writing, and communication skills over the four years," said Mrs. Babetta Israel.

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# Innovative teaching styles guide math, business teachers

A trip down memory lane would not be the same without going through the math and business department.

Mrs. Margy Heddens taught geometry and applied math.

"We learned a lot this year in geometry. We learned something new every week, which helped me a lot," said freshman Blair Cummings.

Mr. Joel Kahnt taught computer applications, multi-media, desktop publishing and accounting. "Being in Mr. Kahnt's class is so much fun. We get to learn things I never really knew how to do," said senior Tarin Long

Mr. Byron Marshall

taught college algebra, Algebra 2, calculus, and advanced algebra.

"In Algebra 2, I have learned complex numbers and radical expressions. I have had so much fun in that class," said junior Brett Clary.

These teachers used many different teaching techniques. Mr. Kahnt used computers; Mrs. Heddens used the board, as did Mr. Marshall.

"Being a freshman and going through geometry this year I think will help me in the long run. I think that if you take geometry the sooner you can, the more you will get out of it," said freshman Jenna Grable.

"In Mr. Kahnt's class you learn with hands-on experiences. You don't just sit there and listen to a boring speech all hour," said sophomore Stephanie Adams. Photo by Emily Albers



"Having only three people in our class, it makes it easier to learn more things without every single person asking 'What or How do you do that?'" said senior Brian Wiedmer. Photo by Zach Jenkins



Above: "We took turns teaching the Algebra 2 class how to work out radical expressions and complex numbers because everyone was having problems. Teaching the class helped me understand how to work them out a lot more," said junior Cheyenne Walter. Photo by Emily Albers

Center: "Being an exchange student was a nervous experience, but when I first stepped foot into Mr. Marshall's classroom, I felt right at home. That's why I take so many math classes," said junior David Chu. Photo by Emily Albers



"I can just write problems down on the board; they will try anything. They are such an outgoing class," said teacher Margy Heddens. Mrs. Heddens writes a formula on the board for one of her geometry classes to copy that they will use for assignments. Photo by Emily Albers



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"I enjoyed being involved with a student's education and athletic experience in school and getting the chance to influence them in a positive manner," said Mr. Joel Kahnt.

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Not all time in computer applications was spent working on individual projects. In fact, before most assignments were given, Mr. Kahnt spent time in class explaining not only how to do specific tasks, but how those tasks would be useful in real life applications. Photo by Zach Jenkins

"Sometimes in accounting we can play on the computers when we are done with our homework. Mr. Kahnt gives us assignments that he knows we can do, and he helps us when we need it," said senior Courtney Morgan. Photo by Zach Jenkins



# Discoveries drive science students

## Hands-on experiments bring textbook lessons to life

Mr. Byron Marshall taught physics. Conducting experiments dealing with electricity, pressure, force, and frequency were used to reinforce the text lessons.

One of the big projects was the ping-pong-ball shooter contest. Students teamed up with the objective of making a shooter that would launch a ping-pong-ball into a children's basketball goal from either four feet or eight feet. Students tried very hard not to let Mr. Marshall's machine win the contest because any machine that scored more points than his would automatically receive a 105 percent on the project.

Mr. Kevin McNorton taught the other science

courses, including general science, biology, and chemistry.

The general science classes covered units in energy, sound, and force, among other things.

Biology students learned mostly about natural science, studying the environment, cells, and the human body. The class also made use of the lab by experimenting with the growth of bean seeds, catalysts, and reproduction of cells.

Everything that the chemistry class learned revolved around the periodic table. Learning about atoms and molecular structures, they either lived or died by this map of elements.

"My favorite part of science is when we go back into the lab and do all of our experiments. I like making electromagnets and seeing what I can hang from them," said freshman Tyson Rohrer. Rohrer listens as Mr. McNorton reviews with the class before returning to the lab. Photo by Mary Geiger



As she assists Zach Jenkins and Mr. Marshall, senior Alicia Owens comments on physics labs, "I like that I don't have to worry about mixing chemicals wrong or setting up labs wrong." Physics labs were usually conducted in the front of the classroom and everyone assisted. Photo by Mary Geiger



"Even though going to the ag building for chemistry labs was fun at first, I was really happy when we got to go back to Mr. McNorton's lab. No matter where we were though, the aprons and goggles were the best!" said Danielle Marriott. Marriott, Tara Clary, and Jessie Wright carefully make preparations for a lab. Photo by Tara Turpin

Middle Right: "My favorite part of chemistry was handling the "dangerous" chemicals. Some elements have some pretty neat reactions to each other!" said junior Jay Ruhnke. Ruhnke, Chester Bishop, and Tory Eylar carefully measure chemicals to conduct an experiment. Photo by Tara Turpin



Even though doing the actual labs was very important, cleaning up properly after each lab was something Mr. McNorton stressed to students. "I like doing "Chemlabs" because it's fun to get out of the classroom and do hands-on activities," said junior Bridget Shelton while she worked with Cheyenne Walter and Amy Meng to finish the questions that follow each lab.



"I had a lot of fun building the catapults. Joe and I came in second place because I gave Brett and Wade some advice that put them in first. We still scored 32 points though," said Michael Cluck. All teams got two chances to try for an A on the project. Photo by Zach Jenkins

"Building our machine in physics was my favorite project of the first semester. We had to apply what we learned, and it was a lot of fun. Even though we didn't win, I still am proud because we did it on our own!" said Courtney Morgan. Mary Geiger and Morgan built a machine that catapulted ping-pong balls towards the basketball hoop. Photo by Zach Jenkins

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"My favorite part of teaching science is teaching people about science, not just facts and memorization, but about how science works, why it is done, and how it affects us every day. Sharing the logical thought processes and trying to help others understand the countless interactions between all things in nature really excites me," said Mr. McNorton.

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# Individual projects prepare students for life

We left the confines of the main building and class lectures and entered the zone of learning in the agriculture education and industrial arts classes taught by Mr. Darrell Wapp and Mr. Benny Rice, respectively.

Agriculture education classes included introduction to agriculture, soil and plant science, animal science, and agriculture mechanics.

Mr. Wapp reserved the fourth quarter for each student to do individual projects. Students were free to choose between doing a greenhouse project, building something in the metal shop, or completing an experiment in the classroom. Students were not only graded for the final project but also on

their progress throughout the quarter.

Industrial arts classes included Industrial Arts I and II and building and trades. These classes were a favorite of students, mainly because of the freedom they received in the types of projects they could build.

Mr. Rice not only taught students the basics of wood shop, but he also taught students about drafting projects.

The building and trades class was most visible in the school as they completed the storage area for sports equipment and the video taping area in the new gym. They also built a storage closet in the publications room.

"At first I didn't think I would like welding and working in the shop, but after learning how to use the machines, I really began having fun!" said freshman Thomas Keller while Nathan Keller assists him lighting the cutting torch. The introduction to agriculture class spent time in the first three quarters learning proper techniques of tool use. Photo by Mary Geiger



Above: "I like working with others on projects. The reason I like ag is because it is hands-on instead of sitting for the entire hour like some of my other classes. The most fun part about working in the greenhouse was the day we got to plant all of the flowers when they came in," said Justin Wendt, as Ryan Whittaker assists him watering the plants in the greenhouse. Photo by Mary Geiger.

Center: "I really liked how Mr. Wapp allowed us to work on individual projects during class because it let us all explore our own interests and didn't make us do things that we didn't like," said Molly Geiger. She chose to do a project in landscape design for her fourth-quarter project. Photo by Mary Geiger

"My industrial arts class has helped me because I might go into carpentry, and now, I know how to use all of the tools and how to take measurements," said sophomore Dustin Jenkins as Mr. Rice points out architecture aspects to Tyler Smith. Mr. Rice took the industrial arts class on tours of houses early in the year before they began drafting houses in class. Photo by Megan Rodgers



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"My favorite ag project was our incubator experiment. Even though none of the eggs hatched, it was fun to watch them each day. Plus, I learned how to use the incubator and I had never used one before," said Ginny Hodge.



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"In Troy High School, I would have to say the students are the best part of my job! The majority of them are a lot of fun to teach," said industrial arts teacher Benny Rice.

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"Industrial arts is my favorite class because we get to build pretty much whatever we want. I also like how much fun we have during class when we help each other with projects," said sophomore Kenny Peden. Photo by Megan Rodgers

"The most valuable thing I've learned in ag class would be the 'lefty-loosey, righty-tighty' thing. Also, I've learned to watch where I put my hands and to make sure the anvil is secure on its stand so it doesn't fall on me!" said Emily Schultz. Photo by Mary Geiger



# Social Sciences bring appreciation for past and present to students

A trip down any lane would not be complete without a stop in the social science department.

Mr. Lyle Rockey taught geography, world history, and American history.

In order to take a more in-depth look into American history, Mr. Rockey taught only about the years after the Civil War to the juniors, while Mr. Reynolds covered the pre-Civil War years with the eight graders. The juniors also took the Kansas American History Assessments in February and March.

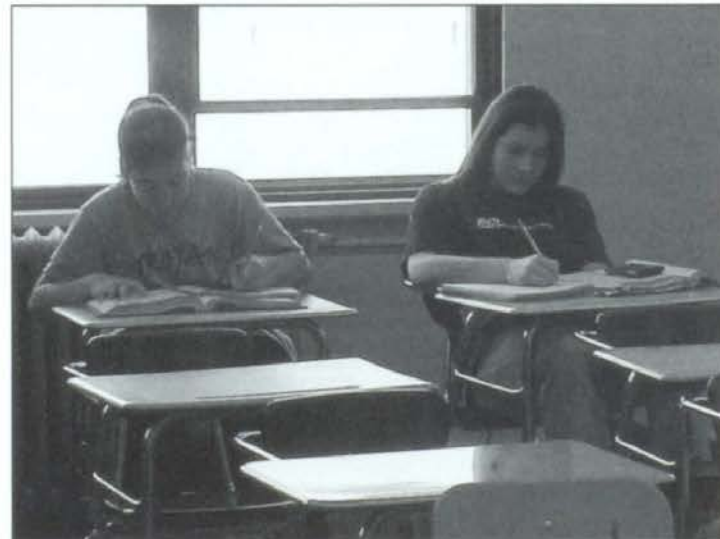
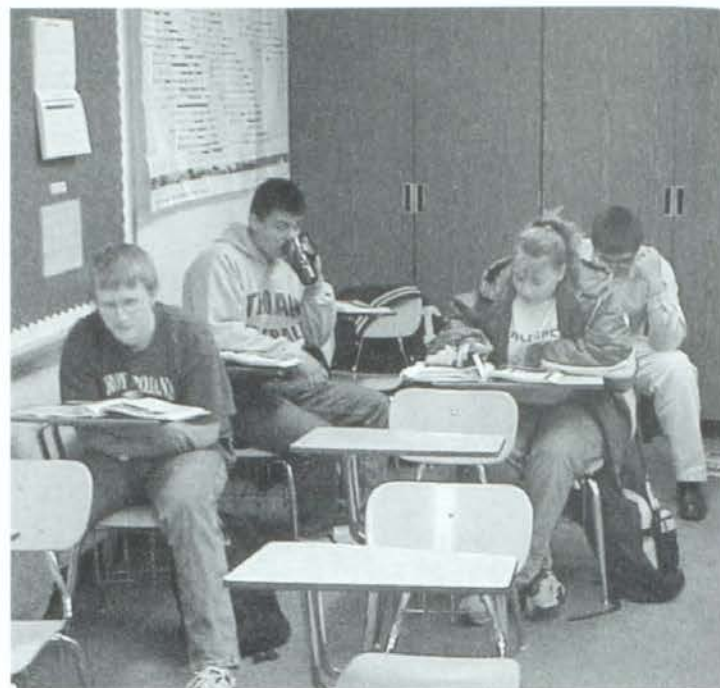
Geography classes dedicated much of their time learning about countries in Africa and Europe. They also spent much time on Russia.

World history students spent their year learning about human behavior in the world. They also studied how these behaviors affected how the world evolved over the past 2000 years.

Mr. Bruce Reynolds taught American government for seniors. This class was one of the final graduation requirements.

County Government Day was a highlight for the seniors. It was held in late April at the Doniphan County Courthouse. After spending the entire year learning about how the government functions, students were able to experience it first-hand.

"It was great when Mr. Reynolds brought us donuts for breakfast. It's an easy class if you do the work. Mr. Reynolds seems to like our class, the morning class, the best, so everyone should try to get in the first hour government class," said Ray Anderson. All seniors took government and either had it first hour or fourth hour on white days. Photo by Zach Jenkins



Above: "Geography wasn't always the most fun class that I had, but I definitely learned many interesting things about countries that I never would have learned otherwise," said Whitney Stock. Students read chapters on their own before the class covered them in class. Photo by Mary Geiger

Middle Right: "The speakers in government helped me prepare myself about what life after college will be like because they worked with us on financial things. They also taught us how to focus on small steps to accomplishing larger goals," said Nicole Cluck. Speakers from Vatterott and DeVry spoke to the seniors in the fall. Photo by Savannah Robinson.

"I really liked it how Mr. Rockey let us work together in world history because Abby (Winder) and I helped each other a lot on hard assignments," said Bethany Grable. Winder and Grable carefully scan their books for answers to a worksheet that was assigned to the class. Photo by Zach Jenkins



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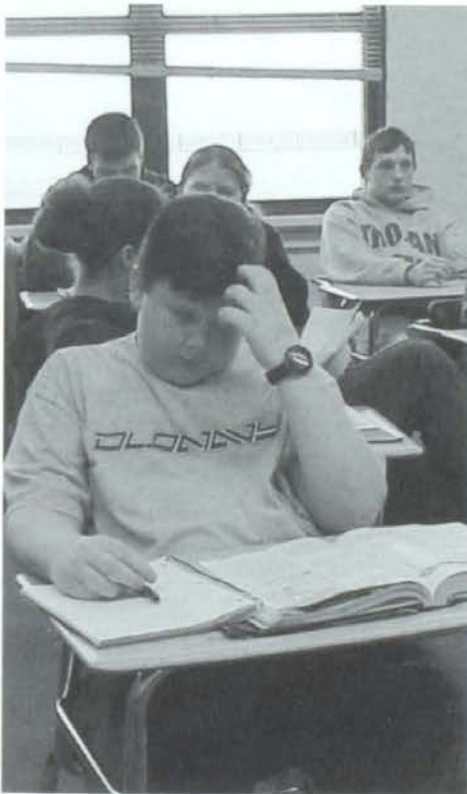
"I've learned a lot of 'things'! Being in geography has helped me know where important places in the world are. Living in a time when war is a possibility, it is nice being able to know where they are talking about on the news," said Bridget Losson. Geography classes not only learned about where countries were, but they also learned about the country's economy, people, and government. Photo by Mary Geiger



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"The most rewarding experience from teaching the social sciences through the years at Troy High School has been the contact made with all the students and the privilege of watching them grow up socially, physically, and educationally through their four years, sometimes more, of high school," said Mr. Lyle M. Rockey.

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"The thing I thought was most beneficial was how they were straight forward with us. They didn't tell us that we would be handed everything for the rest of our lives. That is a little scary, but it was something that I think we all need to be reminded of," said Josh Engemann. Jane Bond and Engemann are doing a financial worksheet that allowed them to see how much money they could expect to spend in one month living on their own. Photo by Zach Jenkins

"The hardest part of geography was the maps. My advice to future students is to turn your assignments in on time and pay attention in class," said freshman Cody Shelton who took geography as his extra social science course. Photo by Mary Geiger

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# Students become physically fit in PE classes

Getting out of the classroom and away from the homework seems to always be a good idea, and for those who weren't the most artsy or musical, there were always physical education classes. From weights and conditioning to freshman PE, many students at Troy High School looked in shape and felt healthy.

Freshman PE was full of fun and interesting activities, as well as some more challenging activities, such as the mile run and some introduction time in the weight room.

"Bowling would have to be my favorite [sport] because I got a lot of strikes...Bad-

minton was also fun, because Martin (Meisenheimer) and I beat everyone else!" said Amy Adams. Freshman PE students also participated in a health class.

An option for sophomores, juniors, and seniors looking to stay fit was weights and conditioning class. It was sometimes demanding but sometimes fun. "There were not many fun activities in weights class. I did though, enjoy running the Pro-Agility," said junior Tory Eylar.

Coach Don Cash assists junior Kiley Franken. "He is always on us to work. He makes you feel guilty if you don't work. He tries to make sure we are always working," said Franken. Photo by Jane Bond



Juniors Breanna Clary and Lisa Speaks seem to be enjoying their workouts. "My favorite exercises are the ab exercises," said Breanna Clary. Photo by Jane Bond



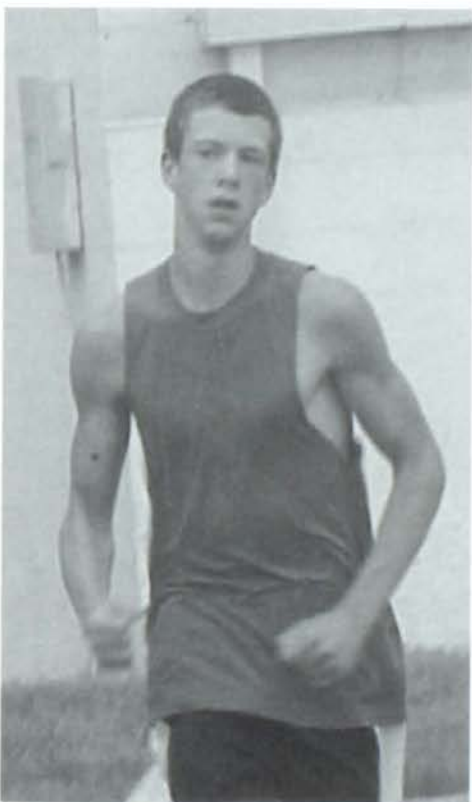
Above: Junior Chester Bishop concentrates on squatting. He uses the mirror to help make sure he keeps the right form. Photo by Brady Cummings

Center: Aaron Ruhnke works on bettering himself as he attempts a difficult bench press. "... I've kept in shape, Weights has taught me how to stay healthy and look decent."

Photo by Gwyn Gaither



Johnna Pasch and Amy Adams pull ahead of most of their other classmates while running the mile. "...The mile is probably the hardest [activity]. We had to run it three times this year!" said Johnna Pasch. Photo by Gwyn Gaither



Freshman Martin Meisenheimer hustles to finish the mile run during his 3<sup>rd</sup> hour freshman PE class. Photo by Gwyn Gaither



Jay Johnson braces himself before doing his squat workout. Photo by Gwyn Gaither

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“The weights class had 46 hardworking students who wanted to improve themselves. The progress they made is measurable and has given them and me a great deal of satisfaction.” – Don Cash

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# A Trip Through the Activities

Breanna Clary helps a third grader learn how to speak Spanish. The Spanish II class went to the grade school once a week. Photo by Mary Geiger



Jessie Wright puts on the "drunk goggles" at the Wild for Life Fair put on by SADD. Photo by Tara Turpin



Wade Robinson gives the thumbs up before he takes off racing the drag cars at Speedzone in Dallas on senior trip. Many seniors competed against each other in the drag car races. Photo by Scottee Simpson





Alicia Owens stands by the Christmas tree that the Kayettes decorated at the Gazebo. Photo by Tara Turpin

Shana Kostman labels a box that was used for the Wild For Life Fair that SADD held. Kostman helped take all of the booths down after the fair was over. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Junior Jay Ruhnke shoots a round of pool at after prom. Students had a variety of activities to do at the bowling alley. Photo by Tara Turpin



Amy Adams, Cassie Siard, and Jared Adkins patiently wait for instruction while they set up for the speech meet that Troy hosts. Photo by Mary Geiger



Senior Jane Bond gets her groove on at prom with a group of her friends. Bond said she had more fun dancing with her girl friends than she had at any other proms. Photo by Kristin Jeschke

Dear Trojans,

We were amazed to see that even after classes and sports, students in this school found time to be very involved in many activities as well.

In addition to the annual dances, the student council also kept busy with many other on-going activities. They kept the candy machine filled and identification sign updated. They also hosted a concession stand at a junior high track meet to begin raising money for a fence to be put around the football field.

The service organizations, Kayettes, T-Club, and NHS, completed study buddies,

and hosted the alumni tournament and the annual blood-drive as their large activities.

SADD hosted a Red Ribbon Fair in the high school gymnasium for the first time, and they also decorated the gazebo for Christmas.

Knowledge Bowl competed at numerous meets. Senior Scottee Simpson said that beating rival Wathena at each meet was a highlight for the team.

The FFA chapter kept busy with career development events, record books, and leadership activities.

Keyboards could be heard

clicking, and stressing students could be seen in the publications room throughout the year working on the enlarged monthly newspaper and the yearbook.

Homecoming and Queen of Courts gave each class an opportunity to spend time together working on floats and decorating gym walls.

The year closed at the academic and athletic award reception where students were recognized for many months of hard work.



Knowledge Bowl members front row Amber Wiedmer, Bridget Shelton, and Ray Anderson. Row 2: Amanda Siard, Cheyenne Walter, and Amber Douglas. Row 3: Breanna Clary, Gwyn Gaither, Jenna Grable, and Amy Meng. Row 4: Sean Reynolds and Dru Whetstine.



Below: Emily Merritt decorates Martha-Jean Rockey's piano before the dinner theatre for *Anything Goes*. Photo by Mary Geiger

Right middle: Breanna Clary goof's off while setting up for dinner theatre. Bridget Shelton double checks the guest list before guests arrive. Photo by Mary Geiger



Cheyenne Walter, Sean Reynolds, and Jenna Grable work out a math problem at the Wathena meet. Knowledge Bowl meets were filled with questions that challenged the members minds. "Knowledge Bowl was a lot of fun, especially because we're better this year," said Cheyenne Walter.



Above Drama Club members, front row: Breanna Clary, Lisa Speaks, Tara Turpin, Amber Wiedmer, Bridget Shelton, and Sponsor Martha-Jean Rockey. Row 2: Kristin Jeschke, Megan Rodgers, Savannah Robinson, Danny Rathman, Bryan Stewart, Amy Adams, Megan Campbell, Molly Geiger, Johnna Pasch, and Jessica Sutherland. Row 3: Alicia Owens, Sarah Watkins, Jocelyn Bishop, Brian Wiedmer, Emily Merritt, Kendra Eteeyan, Blair Cummings, Whitney Stock, and Sean Reynolds. Row 4: Ginny Hodge, Nicole Cluck, Jessie Siard, Sara Randolph, Aleena Rohrer, Naomi Fellabaum, Bethany Grable, Shana Kostman, Eli Norris, and Abby Winder. Row 5: Amanda Siard, Gwyn Gaither, Amy Meng, Katie Merritt, Hannah Jenkins, Jenna Grable, Jeremy Mullins, Gabe Owens, and Jared Adkins. Row 6: Stephanie Adams, Mary Geiger, Courtney Morgan, Kiley Franken, Bethany Jenkins, Jena Pickerell, Tara Clary, Danielle Marriott, and Jane Bond. Row 7: Cheyenne Walter, Jared Sutherland, Brady Cummings, Zach Jenkins, Chester Bishop, Michael Cluck, Wade Robinson, B-Joe Rizer, and Kelsey Thomas. Row 8: Bret Johnson, Nolan Franken, A.J. Jensen, Austin Stock, Tory Eylar, Jay Ruhnke, and Josh Engemann.



Jenna Grable serves guests at dinner theatre for *Anything Goes*. Drama club decorated the gym for dinner and acted as servers and greeters. The theme was nautical to go with the setting of the play. Photo by Mary Geiger



Sean Reynolds, Ray Anderson, Cheyenne Walter, and Bridget Shelton practice with the buzzers "Overall I enjoyed Knowledge Bowl and can honestly say that we were better this year than any other year in the past. If we keep going at this rate, we'll be champions in no time," said Sean Reynolds, junior. Photo by Scottee Simpson



# Hard work pays off

Drama club, knowledge bowl find success after strong efforts

Drama Club worked hard to entertain students and the community with play performances.

Performances were paid for by a fundraiser students participated in early in the year.

"The fundraiser was easy to sell because the community really jumped and helped out. It's really nice to have such a supportive community. We really couldn't put on the play without the fundraiser," said president Bridget Shelton.

Organizing and setting up for the spring and fall play was the major role for drama club members.

Drama club officers were President Amber Wiedmer, Vice-President Tara Turpin, Secretary Scottee Simpson, Treasurer Breanna Clary, Historian Bridget Shelton, and Publicist Lisa Speaks. Drama club sponsor was Martha Jean Rockey.

"I thought this year was great. We had a lot of new members and the plays really came together with everyone

working toward it," said Amber Wiedmer, junior.

Knowledge Bowl was kept busy with meets and practices. The team consisted of 12 members and Sponsor Diane Walters. Members met in the morning for practices and attended several meets.

"I thought this year we did fairly well compared to years past. Our JV team did exceptionally well at Nemaha Valley when we took second place and got to take home really nice silver metals," said

Jenna Grable, freshman.

Knowledge Bowl ended the season with a better record than in years past. The JV team took second at Nemaha Valley and the varsity team, though it didn't place, beat more teams than they did last year.

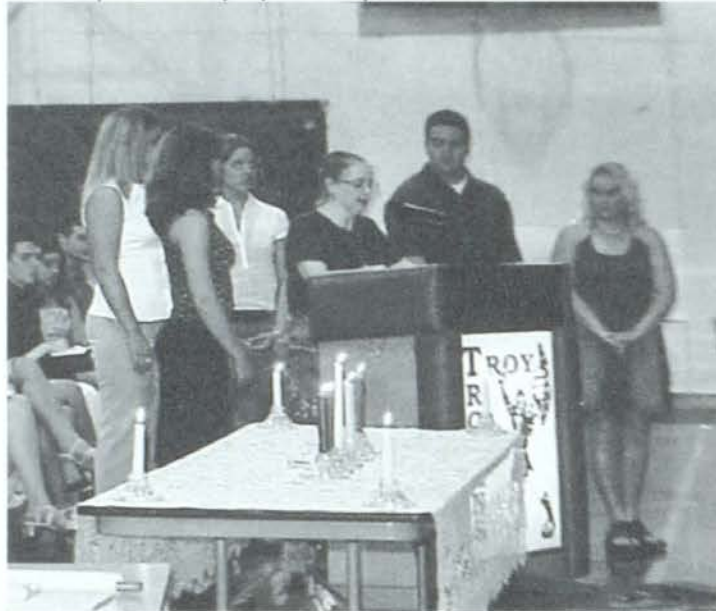
"I thought we did a pretty good job this year. The best part was when Mrs. Walter tried to do a doughnut in the parking lot after taking second place at Nemaha Valley," said Dru Whetstine, freshman.



Co-Editor of the *Trojan Trumpet*, Kristin Jeschke, works on the next issue of the paper. "I think that the paper was very good this year. Megan Rodgers and I worked very hard on making this the best paper we could," said Jeschke. Photo by Savannah Robinson



Mrs. Marth-Jean Rockey swears in the new members of Quill and Scroll. The previous members include Kristin Jeschke and Mary Geiger. The new members are Tara Turpin, Brady Cummings, and Megan Rodgers. "I am very honored to be part of this organization. I worked really hard this year in publications, and it was nice to have my work be recognized," said Tara Turpin. Photo by Lyle Rockey



Below: Katie Merritt signs the National Honor Society scroll after being inducted into the club. Jena Pickerell and Jay Ruhnke wait to sign the scroll also. Photo by Lyle Rockey

Center: Brady Cummings, Tara Turpin, Josh Engemann, and Megan Rodgers wait for the opening ceremonies of State Journalism to begin. Nine students from the staff advanced from regionals to compete in the state-wide competition. Photo by Savannah Robinson



National Honor Society members Front Row: Courtney Morgan, treasurer; Mary Geiger, president; Megan Rodgers, vice president; Kristin Jeschke, secretary. Row 2: Lisa Speaks, Danielle Marriott, Tara Turpin, Brady Cummings, Nick Dannevik, sponsor Row 3: Andrew Jensen, Bret Johnson, and Kiley Franken. Photo by LifeTouch

## Publications, NHS Favorites



"I think that as a group, that we did really well at regional and state journalism. I am really proud of the third-place medal I received in caption writing and the honorable mention in headline writing," said Savannah Robinson



"I thought the blood drive went well. We were well organized and had plenty of people to help. We had a good turnout for the blood drive this year, so I would say it was a success," said A.J. Jensen.



The publications staff was: Front Row: Zach Jenkins, Adviser Martha-Jean Rockey, Josh Engemann, Mary Geiger, Emily Albers. Row 2: Brady Cummings, Tara Turpin, Kristin Jeschke, Megan Rodgers, Savannah Robinson, Gwyn Gaither. Row 3: Naomi Fellabaum, Jane Bond, and Amber Wiedmer. Photo by LifeTouch



## NHS, Quill and Scroll, Publications challenge young minds

Whether it was hosting a blood drive, participating in competitions, or trying to get the newspaper and yearbook out, publications, Quill and Scroll, and National Honor Society members were always hard at work.

The National Honor Society hosted their annual blood drive December 23. The members of the society attended several "call nights," where they called around the community in hopes of recruiting donors. They also hung up posters around town and in businesses. Despite harsh

winter weather, the drive was a success. Sixty-three people showed up to donate blood.

Quill and Scroll is an international honor society for student journalists. The student must meet specific academic and journalistic standards. New members were inducted into the organization at Awards Night May 3.

"I was very pleased with the students that were chosen to be in the organization. I know they will represent us well," said Kristin Jeschke.

The publications staff was very active. They published

the monthly school newspaper, *The Trojan Trumpet*, produced the school yearbook, and competed in the regional and state journalism contests.

"I particularly liked the format of *The Trumpet* this year. It was more magazine like, which works better for a monthly publication," said Adviser Martha-Jean Rockey.

Nine student journalists qualified at regionals to compete at state, and of those nine, five placed. This large number of award winners allowed them to place third as

a team in the 1A/2A division.

Josh Engemann placed first in newspaper sports writing and second in advertising. Jane Bond brought home a second-place award for headline writing, and Savannah Robinson was awarded third place in caption writing and honorable mention in headline writing. Kristin Jeschke received third place in editorial writing. Lastly, Brady Cummings received honorable mention for yearbook sports writing. Other students competing were Tara Turpin, Mary Geiger, Megan Rodgers, and Zach Jenkins.



Below: Jena Pickerell works on painting the finishing touches on the box used for the pie-throwing contest during Red Ribbon Week.



T-Club: Front Row: Amy Meng, Tarin Long, Bridget Shelton. Row 2: Abby Winder, Mary Geiger, Courtney Morgan, Tara Turpin, Lisa Speaks, Savannah Robinson, Megan Rodgers, Kristin Jeschke. Row 3: Todd Whittaker, Tara Clary, Danielle Marriott, Kiley Franken, Jane Bond, Amber Weidmer, Cheyenne Walter, Zach Jenkins, Wade Robinson. Row 4: Bethany Jenkins, Jena Pickerell, Stephanie Adams, Katie Merritt, Brady Cummings, Austin Stock, Tory Eylar, Jay Ruhnke, Brett Gaul, Nolan Franken, Bret Johnson, A.J. Jensen, Josh Engemann, Sean Reynolds, Jared Sutherland.



Kayettes: Front Row: Nicole Cluck, Jessica Sutherland, Amy Meng, Lisa Speaks, Danielle Marriott, Megan Rodgers, Tarin Long, Abby Winder, Jena Pickerell, Whitney Stock, Hannah Jenkins, Mrs. Babetta Israel. Row 2: Megan Campbell, Blair Cummings, Molly Geiger, Mary Geiger, Courtney Morgan, Kiley Franken, Savannah Robinson, Kristin Jeschke, Jane Bond, Holly Whittaker. Row 3: Bethany Jenkins, Abby Winder, Katie Merritt, Tara Turpin, Naomi Fellabaum, Emily Albers, Amber Wiedmer, Bridget Shelton, Cheyenne Walters. Row 4: Tamara Kostman, Tara Clary, Stephanie Adams, Amber Douglas, Jenna Grable, Johnna Pasch, Sara Randolph, Kelsey Thomas, Jessie Wright. Row 5: Shana Kostman, Jena Pickerell, Bridget Losson, Gwyn Gaither, Jessica Siard.

Below: Tara Turpin and Amber Weidmer present Mrs. Babetta Israel with a cupcake and certificate for Coaches and Sponsors' Appreciation Day, which was part of KSHSAA Activities Week. This activity was sponsored by the T-Club. "I think that it's great that we recognize our teachers. It lets the teachers and sponsors' know that we are thinking of them and appreciate everything they do for us," said Tara Turpin.



Below: Jane Bond wipes the tears from her eyes as Kelsey Thomas reads her a farewell. Emily Albers, Tarin Long, and Mikaela Martinez listen to the memories Thomas shares about Bond.



Above: Megan Campbell, Sandra Eteeyn, Micheal Springstead, and Whitney Stock clean the trophy case as part of the annual Kayette clean-up project.



Zach Gaarder and Ryan Jones examine Sarah Fischer's display table during the Red Ribbon Fair. The fair, which was hosted by S.A.D.D., taught kids about drug safety.



Right: Hannah Jenkins embraces Amy Adams after receiving her gift for the Kayettes gift exchange, while Tarin Long observes.



S.A.D.D: Front Row: Courtney Morgan, Amber Wiedmer, Megan Rodgers. Row 2: Abby Winder, Jena Pickerell, Tara Turpin, Lisa Speaks, Savannah Robinson. Row 3: Bethany Jenkins, Bethany Grable, Katie Merritt, Amy Meng, Jane Bond. Row 4: Shanna Kostman, Kelsey Thomas, Stephanie Adams, Bridget Shelton, Kristin Jeschke.

# Clubs work to better school

**T-Club, Kayettes, S.A.D.D. complete activities in school, community**

Many students put in extra hours of their time in student organizations. Kayettes offered community service activities for girls who wished to better their environment. Along those same lines, S.A.D.D. (students against destructive decisions) gave students a chance to speak out against destructive decisions, such as drinking and driving. Also, students who earned a letter in any aspect of school life could be in T-Club, which promoted the school.

Kayettes had an active year. As usual, members participated in the Christmas

gift exchange. "Jane [Bond] got me bath stuff for the gift exchange. I thought it was a really neat idea, and I really liked the gift. I think the gift exchange gives members a chance to show their holiday spirit while waiting for Christmas break," said Kiley Franken.

Members of the organization gave their time at the grade school. During seminar, members mentored the grade school students.

Students involved in S.A.D.D. took an active part in promoting their cause by hosting the first-ever Red Ribbon Fair. Booths were set

up in the new gym that showed the consequences of destructive decisions. There was also a pie-throwing contest, where students got the chance to launch pies in the face of a faculty member. Finally, rounding out the fair, were the "drunk driving" goggles. Once these goggles were on, they mimicked what a real drunken driver would feel.

"I thought the Red Ribbon fair was a huge success. Most of the students seemed to be enjoying themselves also. I thought that S.A.D.D. did a nice job of helping students make the right choice," said

President Amber Wiedmer.

Members of the T-Club hosted the annual Alumni Basketball Tournament. "I think that the Alumni Tournament went very well. We had a lot of people participate this year, which made the whole thing very successful," said Bret Johnson. The T-Club also provided all of the plaques for organizations in the school.

Whatever organization students were involved in, one thing was sure: each activity was not only productive, but beneficial to both the school and community.



Bryan Stewart and Johnathan Cluck enjoy a friendly game of pool at Legends Sports Café. Students had the option of bowling or playing pool at after prom.



Below: Tarin Long, Blaine Luedke, and Kenny Stewart help themselves to delicious food at the buffet-style supper provided by Keith's Bar-B-Q.



Kristin Jeschke, Savannah Robinson, Megan Rodgers, and Jane Bond show off their garters, which were given to each student at prom. "Wearing the garter made me feel sexy," said senior Savannah Robinson.



## Prom Favorites



"This was my first year of prom, so I didn't quite know what to expect. Everything was a lot of fun. One of my favorite parts about prom was taking pictures with all of my friends at the courthouse."  
~Jena Pickerell



"Prom was a lot of fun this year. Probably the best thing about it was being with Johnathan [Cluck] and the fact that it was my senior prom. Playing pool at after prom was really fun too."  
~Sara Randolph

Above Right: Breanna Clary pours her heart out as she sings "Strangers in the Night" by Frank Sinatra. Scottee Simpson stood by for moral support.

Right: Kelsey Thomas, Kiley Franken, and Abby Winder groove to one of the many songs played by Fat Cat DJ Services.





Emily Merritt, Amber Weidmer, LeAnn Leichti, and Amy Meng dance the night away with other prom attendees during a fast song. A variety of music was played throughout the evening to keep everyone satisfied.



# A dream come true

## Successful prom gives students fond memories

Beautiful decorations, beautiful dresses, beautiful people dancing the night away at the 2003 prom, "Dreaming of You."

Students spent many weeks preparing for prom, whether that was finding that perfect dress, a date, shoes, or a combination of all of these. Junior Danielle Marriott reflected, "I started looking for a dress in February. We went to Kansas City, and I didn't see anything. I didn't have another free weekend until March, so I was a little worried. We went to Leavenworth, and I found a dress in a half-hour! The

Wednesday before prom I got my nails done. Thursday, I added the final touches and got my toe nails done."

Prom attendees gathered at the courthouse square around 4 p.m. for pictures with family and friends. After that, it was off to the Knights of Columbus, where prom took place. Raneri Photography took pictures once everyone arrived.

Dinner, which consisted of barbecued beef and pork, green beans, baked potatoes, a salad, and dessert, was provided by Keith's Bar-B-Q. "Keith's Bar-B-Q was a brilliant idea... Smoked pork is

one of my favorite dishes. The dessert was also delicious. I hope that all the underclassmen that were there will remember Keith's for the next years of prom to come," said senior Aaron Ruhnke.

The remainder of the evening was spent dancing the night away. "Prom was a lot of fun this year. I also think that the juniors did a great job planning because everything ran smoothly. The music was good, the food was good, and Kiley [Franken] looked gorgeous. What else could I ask for?" said Wade Robinson.

The night was concluded at Belt Bowl. Students could bowl, play pool, sing karaoke, or just hang out. Several prizes were also awarded, some of which included two 50-dollar bills, DVD/CD players, luggage, and gift certificates to various places.

"Savannah [Robinson], Kristin [Jeschke], and I decided to go with each other instead of taking dates. It was the best choice we could have made. We all had a great time laughing and joking around with each other, which made my senior prom very memorable," said Megan Rodgers.



Nathan Keller, Wade Sutton, and Thomas Keller compare answers on a worksheet that was used to help prepare for the crops career development event. Many freshmen were introduced to a variety of CDE's so that in future years they will compete on the chapter level. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Jay Johnson reads the name on a plaque for a member during the awards reception. Many students received plaques for competition involvement or other outstanding performances. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Freshman Ryan Whittaker takes time out of class to care for the plants in the greenhouse. He is checking the moisture content in the geranium hanging baskets. These baskets were sold as a fundraiser in the spring. Photo by Mary Geiger



## FFA Favorites



"Leadership school and the awards reception were my favorite activities; both were very successful for the chapter," said Jessie Wright.



"Fruit day is my favorite day of the year because we get to go into the shop and sort fruit all day. It's really fun, plus we get to eat fruit and get out of class," said Tamara Kostman.

Above Right: Holly Whittaker and Chris Gaither sort through boxes of grapefruit. They had to sort the boxes for bad fruit and then divide the boxes into different mixes and different sizes. Photo by Scottee Simpson

Katie Merrit presents Jessie Wright with her retiring officer plaque at the chapter awards reception. Each officer received a plaque for the hard work that was put in for the position held. Photo by Scottee Simpson



Brett Christenson, Jay Johnson, Jessie Wright, Eli Norris, and Katie Merritt look over the agenda they prepared for the chapter awards reception in May. These students, along with Ray Anderson and Todd Whittaker, conducted the reception for the chapter members. Photo by Scottee Simpson



## FFA Chapter excels in contests, leadership activities

Whether it was selling fresh fruit or plants, or preparing for career development events, the FFA chapter accomplished many things throughout the year.

This service-oriented organization conducted a fire-safety workshop for the local grade school during Fire Prevention Week. FFA members prepared a rotation of workshops that covered basic fire prevention and personal survival skills. The young children especially enjoyed seeing FFA members dressed in real fire suits.

In recent years, the FFA chapter was known for doing very well in the parliamentary procedure career development event. They continued this tradition by receiving second place in the district contest and earning a trip to the state event.

Like all other clubs, the FFA chapter conducted numerous fundraising activities. In September, with help from Rohrer's Sporting Clays, they hosted their annual trap shoot. Then, in December fruit boxes were sold around the community. Finally, in the

spring the FFA chapter sold flowers that had been raised in the agriculture education greenhouse.

The officer team consisted of Ray Anderson, Todd Whittaker, Jessie Wright, Katie Merritt, and Jocelyn Bishop. These students were responsible for planning chapter meetings, leading chapter activities, and planning the awards reception in May.

For the past year senior Mary Geiger held the office of Northeast District President. In this office, she planned a

leadership conference for new members around the district, attended a conference in Manhattan, and planned and ran the northeast district banquet in April. At the banquet new district officers were elected, and Geiger retired from her position.

Also at district banquet, the FFA chapter received honors for finishing fourth in the sweepstakes contest, which tracks competition results throughout the district. Troy was the smallest school to receive honors.





Right: Brenda Turpin gives Ray Anderson his award for participation in Knowledge Bowl.

Below: Mary Geiger inducts Kiley Franken into the office of president of the National Honor Society for the 2003-2004 school year.



Below: Pat Triplett presents Kristin Jeschke with the SLK scholarship



## Awards Night Favorites



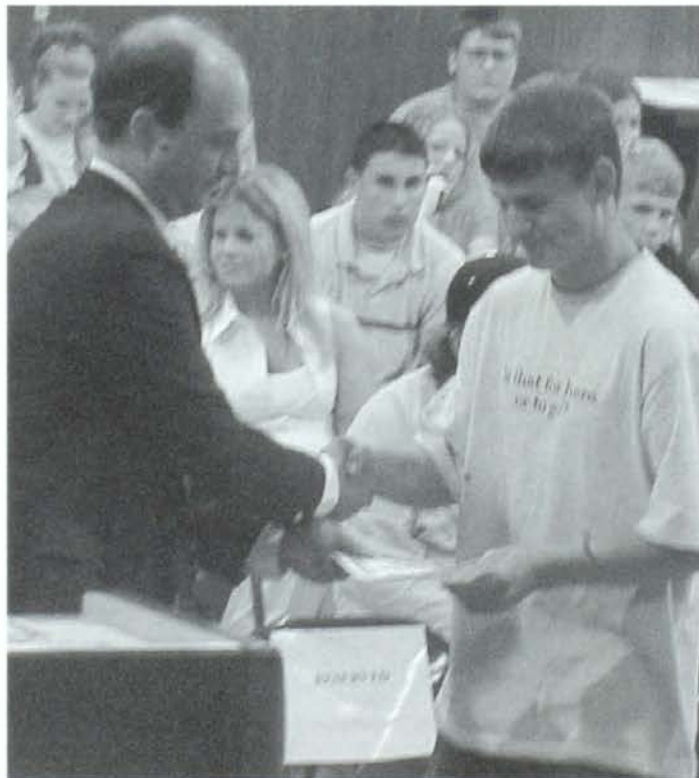
"I thought awards night went a lot faster this year. I also thought it was really successful. I was happy that I was able to get money to put towards my college education," said Courtney Morgan.



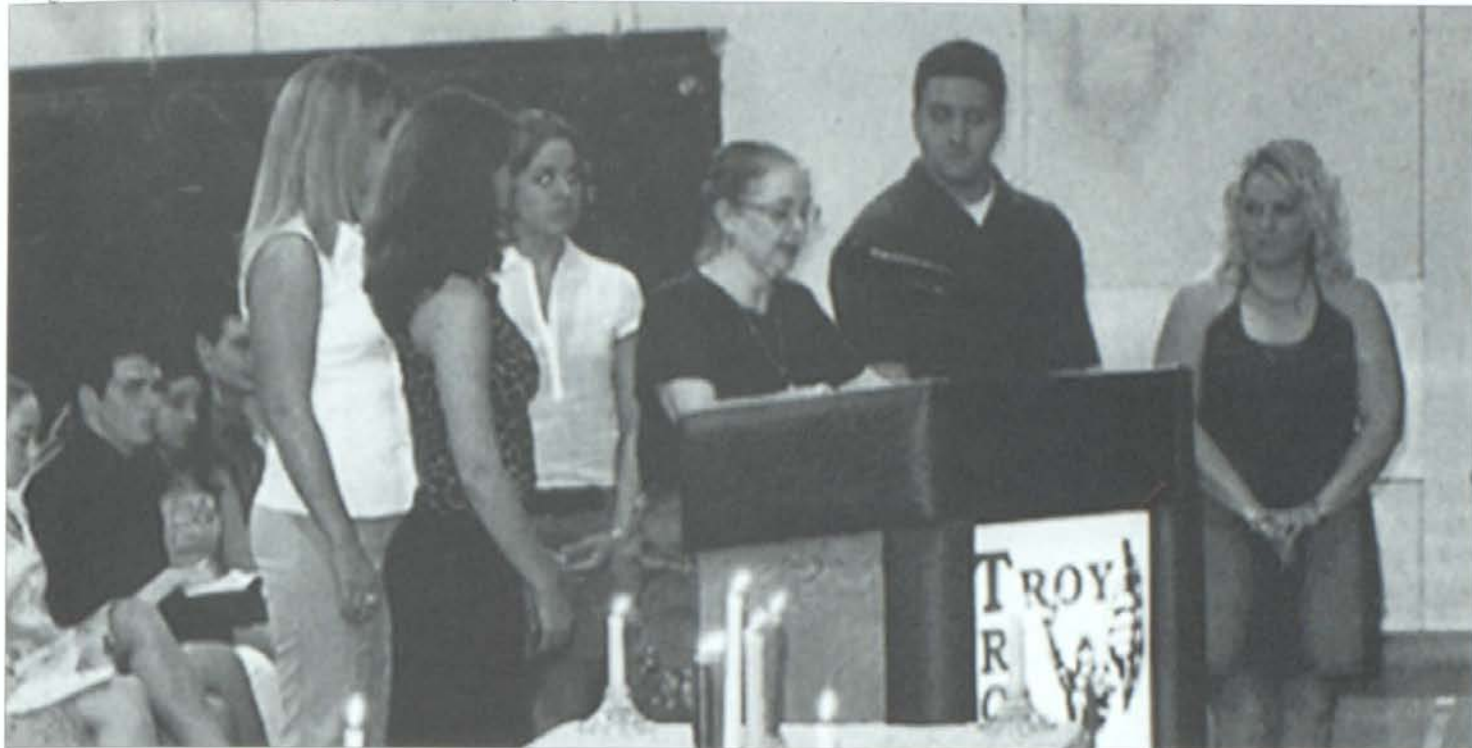
"I was really happy when I received my industrial arts award. It took such a long time to build my entertainment center, so I was just glad when my hard work was recognized," said Megan Rodgers.

Above Right: Jane Bond gives Brenda Turpin a "thank you" hug for all her hard work for the dance team, while Megan Rodgers observes. Bond and Rodgers, who served as co-captains of the dance team, presented Turpin with a gift certificate as a token of their appreciation.

Right: Mr. Brad Flinders hands Carl Tharman an award for "Most Improved Woodwind."







## Awards reception recognizes students' work

Throughout the year, students worked hard to excel in both academics and athletics. Awards night offered those students a chance to be recognized for all their hard work and dedication.

The night began with the NHS Induction. Four members were installed into office, and seven members into the society.

After the NHS portion, Quill and Scroll had its annual induction. The induction ceremony was conducted by Mrs. Martha-Jean Rockey and the current membership, Kristin Jeschke and Mary Geiger. Three new members were inducted for their superior work in journalism and scholarship.

Next, scholarships were presented to the seniors. This is the first time all scholarships have been given out at awards night as opposed to the graduation ceremony.

Jane Bond received the Janice Kinsey Scholarship, as well as the Troy Alumni Scholarship. Also receiving the alumni scholarship was Josh Engemann.

Brett Gaul received the Janice Kinsey Scholarship and \$250 from the Doniphan County Farm Bureau, as well as a Northwest Missouri State University's Gold Regents Award for \$1000 and the Joey Frump Memorial Scholarship. Gaul also received the American Legion Distinguished Achievement Award.

Mary Geiger was awarded the SLK scholarship for \$350, as well as the Janice Kinsey Memorial Scholarship and the \$100 Troy High School Student Council Scholarship. studies.

Kristin Jeschke also received the SLK scholarship, the Vera Dean Scholarship for \$500, and \$250 from both the Doniphan county Farm Bureau and the Troy Lions

Club. Jeschke also received honorable mention for the American Legion Distinguished Achievement Award. Also receiving honorable mention was Ray Anderson.

Courtney Morgan received the SLK scholarship as well. Morgan also received a scholarship from Northwest Missouri State University for \$2500, \$100 USD 429 faculty scholarship, the Vera Dean Scholarship, and \$400 from the Morrill and Janes Bank. Jacob Watkins also received the Morrill and Janes Bank Scholarship.

Scottie Simpson received the \$500 Troy State Bank scholarship and a \$250 scholarship in memory of Joey Frump. Simpson also received the American Legion Distinguished Achievement Award. "I thought it was great that they gave scholarships out at awards night; however, we didn't get as much recognition at graduation, so

that was sort of upsetting," said Scottie Simpson.

Ray Anderson, Mary Geiger, Kristin Jeschke, and Courtney Morgan were also recipients of the French Scholarship, which is a \$1000 renewable scholarship for every year of undergraduate and graduate studies.

After the scholarships were given out, several academic awards were presented to students who excelled in one or more areas of the classroom.

Finally, the night concluded with the athletic awards. Students who chose to participate in sports were recognized for their contributions.

"I think that it's great that we have awards night to recognize people involved in the classroom as well as in sports. I'm more into sports, so it's nice to know that all my hard work outside of the classroom is being recognized," said senior Josh Engemann.



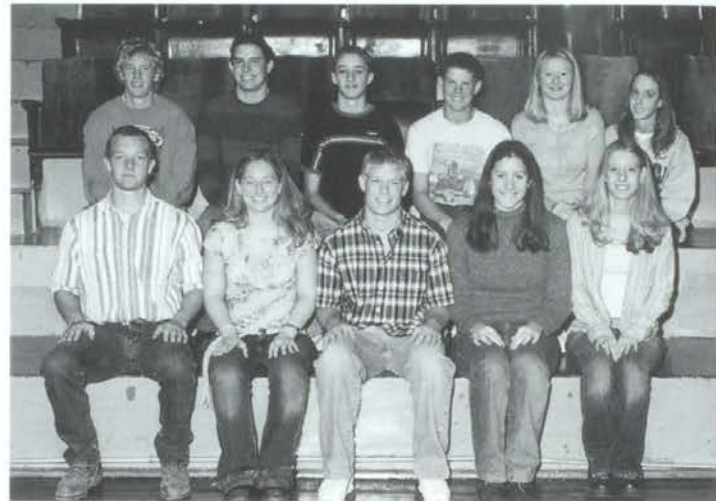
Right: Eli Norris changes the message on the billboard that was bought and sponsored by Stuco. Photo by Savannah Robinson



Right middle: Stuco members front row: Aaron Ruhnke, Kiley Franken, Bret Johnson, Abby Winder, and Courtney Morgan. Row 2 A.J Jensen, Austin Stock, Nolan Franken, Eli Norris, Megan Campbell, and Johnna Pasch.

Below: Eli Norris, Johnna Pasch, and Nolan Franken help prepare for Stuco Thanksgiving dinner. Photo by Mary Geiger

STUCO members serve students and faculty during the Thanksgiving dinner. The meal consisted of turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, cranberry sauce, and hot rolls. Photo by Mary Geiger



## Student Council Favorites



The most enjoyable part of Stuco was serving at the Thanksgiving dances. Knowing that I contributed dinner and eating all the leftover food afterward.

~Austin Stock



I always enjoyed setting up for the dances. Knowing that I contributed to the evening made me shake my thing a little more.

~Kiley Franken



Darrell Wapp, along with other faculty and students, indulges in Thanksgiving dinner provided by Stuco. Photo by Zach Jenkins



Kenny Peden, Derek Shelton, and Chris Gaither buy a snack out of the snack machine between classes. Students were often found at the snack machine to ward off cravings during the day. "I love that there is a place for us to go between classes to buy something to eat. Sometimes lunch seems so far away and we need something to hold us until then," said Chris Gaither, sophomore. The snack machine was filled and maintained by Stuco. Photo by Savannah Robinson



## Stuco busies itself with in-school projects

Stuco was a very active organization that sponsored many activities, including the Homecoming dance, Queen of Courts dance, Thanksgiving dinner, and other events.

Stuco kicked off the year with the Homecoming festivities. Stuco was in charge of the ballots and counting the votes for Queen and King. They were also in charge of setting up for the Homecoming dance and cleaning after the dance.

Members attended a conference in Kansas City where they were able to listen to other schools and the

events that they plan for their students.

"The best part of Stuco this year was the conference we went to. It was a lot of fun to get out of school for the day and we even got lots of good ideas to use at school that other schools had done," said junior A.J. Jensen.

Queen of Courts was also sponsored by Stuco. Decorations for the dance were put up by Stuco. For Valentine's Day, Stuco sponsored a sucker sale. Students were able to purchase suckers for other students. Stuco then delivered suckers to their

designated person.

"The suckers that Stuco sold was one of my favorite memories of high school. It's always fun to see who sent you a sucker," said Jane Bond.

This year was the first year Stuco sponsored a concession stand at one of the middle school track meets as they were raising money to put up a new fence around the football field.

"I really enjoyed selling refreshments at the middle school track meet. It was a beautiful day, and I think the students really enjoyed it. I hope we do it again in the future," said Abby Winder.

Stuco officers were President Bret Johnson, Vice President Kiley Franken, and Secretary/Treasurer Abby Winder.

"Stuco has been very active this year. We have had an on-going community service activity in changing the marquee sign weekly as well as our usual activities. I have been very happy with what the students have accomplished this year as well as what they are planning for the future, a new fence for the football field," said Sponsor Byron Marshall.





Jacob Watkins takes his place after the processional at graduation. Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey

Taking advantage of the sunny afternoon in Dallas on senior trip, Josh Engemann and Brett Gaul aggressively play in the pool at the hotel. Wade Robinson, Sara Randolph, and Alicia Owens enjoy the water but keep out of the rough-housing. Photo by Jane Bond



Michael Cluck and B-Joe Rizer take off in a drag race at the Speedzone on senior trip. This race was one of four that students chose to ride. Photo by Scottee Simpson



### Graduation and Senior Trip Favorites

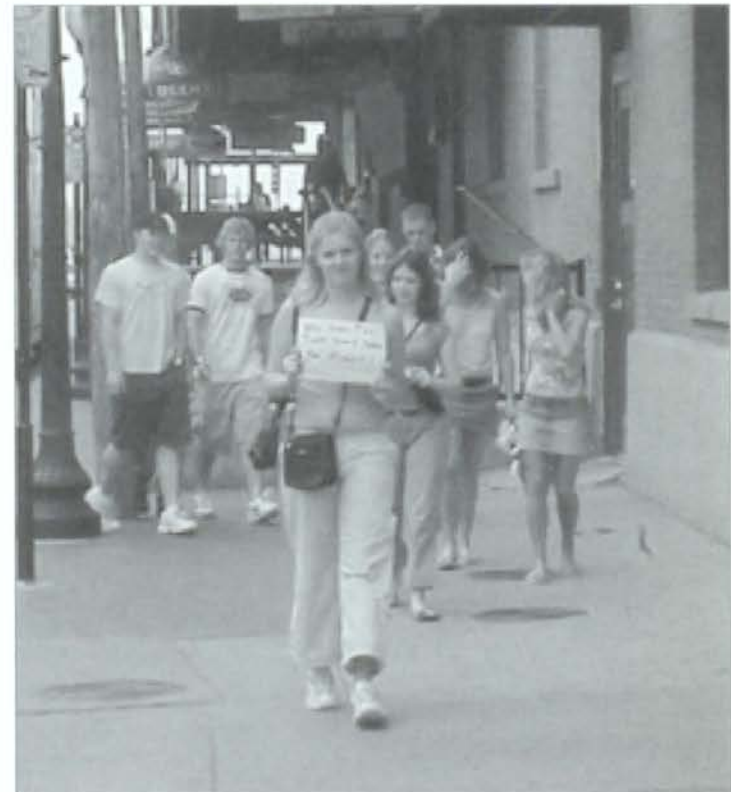


"The Oklahoma bombing memorial was really neat but also sad. We all were really happy when we got there, but I could tell a difference when we left," said Kyle Culp.



"Graduation was the happiest day of my whole high school career. It was sad because I'll miss my friends, but it was such an achievement," said Nicole Cluck.

Above Right: Co-valedictorians Ray Anderson, Courtney Morgan, and Mary Geiger give their address together at graduation. They opted to give one speech together instead of three separate ones for a little change of pace. Photo by Martha-Jean Rockey



Tarin Long leads the way for the seniors after eating lunch in the Historic West District of Dallas on senior trip. Students were allowed to choose where they ate. Photo by Zach Jenkins



Senior class sponsor Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, B-Joe Rizer, Ray Anderson, and Kyle Culp observe a wall of memorabilia from victims' families at the Oklahoma City Bombing National Memorial. The class stopped there on their way home from Dallas on senior trip. Photo by Mary Geiger



# Final Destination

## Senior trip, graduation: journeys to end

The class of 2003 had traveled further than any other class, and they ended their high school journey with a trip to Dallas and, finally, with graduation.

Friday, May 9, the seniors were dismissed early from class and climbed aboard a chartered bus that took them to their destination in the South. They arrived in Dallas at approximately 10 p.m. and were allowed to swim for a while at the hotel before returning to rooms and resting for the next day.

Saturday morning they traveled to downtown Dallas to the Sixth Floor

Museum. After walking through the museum they visited the surrounding area where JFK was assassinated. Afterwards, they took a short walk where the students could choose from a variety of restaurants to eat lunch.

They spent the afternoon shopping at the Galleria shopping mall, a four-story mall, before returning to the hotel to rest and change for the Texas Rangers' game that evening. At the game, each student received a complimentary Alex Rodriguez bobble-head doll.

Sunday morning the students woke up early and headed out for a day of turns,

dips, and drops at Six Flags over Texas. Favorite rides of the day were The Titan and Superman. Besides riding roller coasters, many students found amusement in playing video games. After leaving the park, the students ate supper at Hooters and then tested their driving skills at the Speedzone.

They left Dallas Monday morning and were back on the road home. A stop in Oklahoma City at the bombing memorial was the only stop for the day. Students spent about 30 minutes walking around and reflecting on the bombing site.

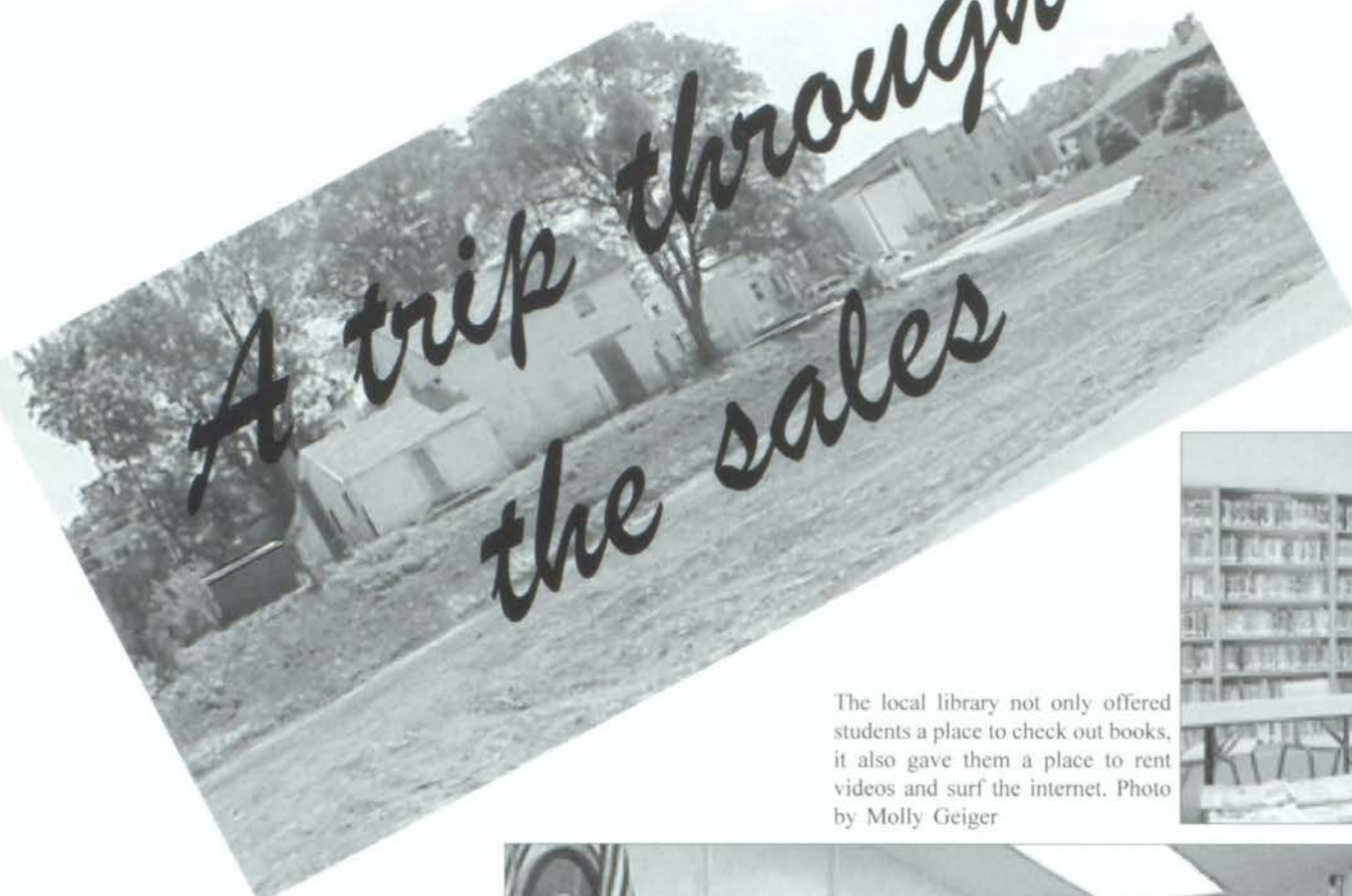
Sunday, May 18, marked the final activity for the class

of 2003, graduation. After watching Mr. Nick Dannevik, middle and high school counselor, be named Troy 2003 Master Teacher, listening to Ray Anderson, Courtney Morgan, and Mary Geiger give their valedictory address, watching the slide show, and giving roses to their parents, each student received a diploma to finalize his or her journey through high school.





# A trip through the sales



The local library not only offered students a place to check out books, it also gave them a place to rent videos and surf the internet. Photo by Molly Geiger



Tami Schultz works diligently filing checks at Troy State Bank. Schultz is a teller at the bank. Many students have savings and checking accounts at Troy State, and some students have even taken out loans to purchase vehicles and other things. Photo by Molly Geiger



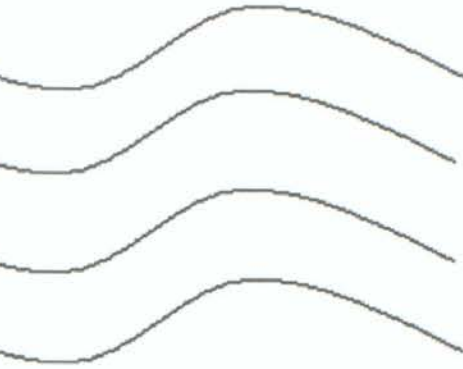
The Fast Lane has been a favorite of high school students for many years, but a new menu with more food choices brought many more students here for business. Students enjoyed going there after school before ball games to get a quick meal. They also rented videos and DVD's from Fast Lane. Photo by Molly Geiger





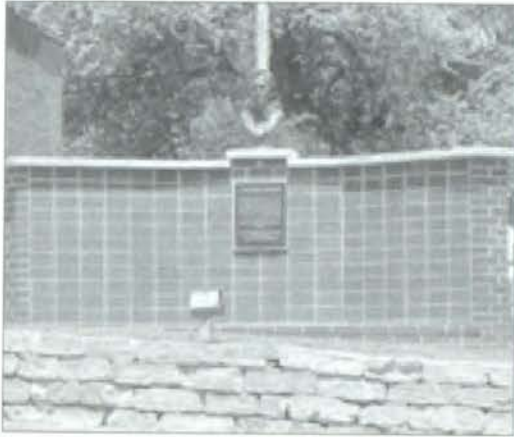
Optometrist Chris Franken opened a practice in Troy. This new practice allowed residents of Troy easy access to an optometrist. Photo by Molly Geiger

The statue of the bust of Lincoln was an addition to the culture of Troy. It was placed next to the Baker-Tennant House where Lincoln is thought to have spoken. Photo by Josh Engemann



Another new amenity to Troy was Reid Chiropractic Health Center, which is located on the north side of the square. Photo by Molly Geiger

Junior Jessie Wright gets her hair styled by Miranda Penny at the Hair Corral. Diane Pierce washes a customer's hair in the back ground. Photo by Molly Geiger



Juniors Breanna Clary, Ryan Long, and Jared Sutherland work together at John's Market. Even though each had specific individual tasks, they all sometimes ran the cash register, stocked shelves, or carried groceries to customers' vehicles. Photo by Amber Wiedmer

Dear Trojans,

Our trip is almost over, and in fact, we've already left the school and have been exploring the community where the school is located.

We've found some interesting things that have completed our journey. We've found bankers and customers visiting about the markets, new businesses open by young entrepreneurs, farmers driving their tractors down Main Street, and even the city workers tearing down an old house to build a new fire house.

Our time here also allowed us to visit the spots where students are known for going. The gas stations almost always had a student filling up his or her vehicle there. Fast Lane, the local convenient store, was a hot spot for teens on weekends or just when they were hungry.

The girls especially enjoyed the beauty salons. These salons offered such amenities as hair cuts, colors, and styles, tanning, and other services.

It was obvious that students were applying what they learned in math class to real life because many students had personal accounts at one of the banks in town.

This small town even offered students a place to work after school and on the weekends. Many students worked at John's Market, the local grocery store.

We now have spent time exploring the entire school and the students inside the school and the community, and so, our trip down memory lane is complete!



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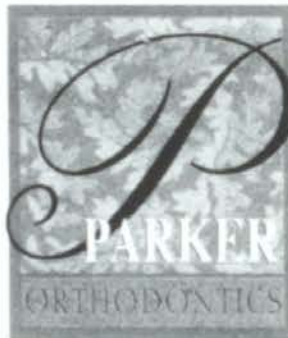


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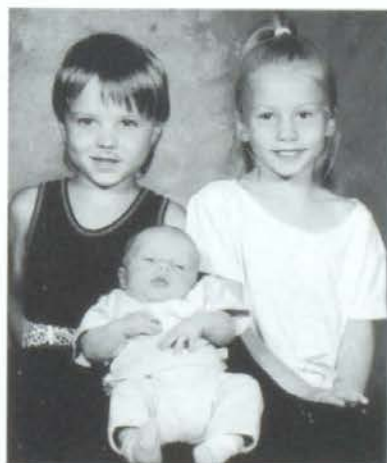
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# A trip down memory lane



Senior yearbook editors Mary Geiger and Josh Engemann work together to complete the corrections for layouts for the first deadline of the book. Photo by Zach Jenkins



Mr. Joel Kahnt reflects over the Oklahoma City Bombing National Memorial on senior trip. Photo by Mary Geiger



Seniors Jane Bond and Scottee Simpson play a fun game of poker on the night before returning home on senior trip. Photo by Mary Geiger

Dear Trojans,

Now that we've traveled through every aspect of life as a Troy Trojan we have really gained respect for what it takes to live in your shoes.

We learned about your fine arts. We learned about the hours it takes to prepare for an all-school performance, and about the hard memorization to learn lines. Visiting the music and art departments brought great sounds to our ears and sights to our eyes.

The thing we thought we would learn the most about was, in fact, learning. The students are the ones who taught us the most about that. Even though it was the teachers conveying the

lessons, it was the students who applied those lessons in real life. These students mastered equations, essays, and experiments, and they did it together.

One of our favorite things was traveling through the sports seasons. Tradition, glory, perspiration, and teamwork are four words that describe virtually every athlete at this school. The teams especially enjoyed winning, but it was sometimes in the losses that they stood together the strongest.

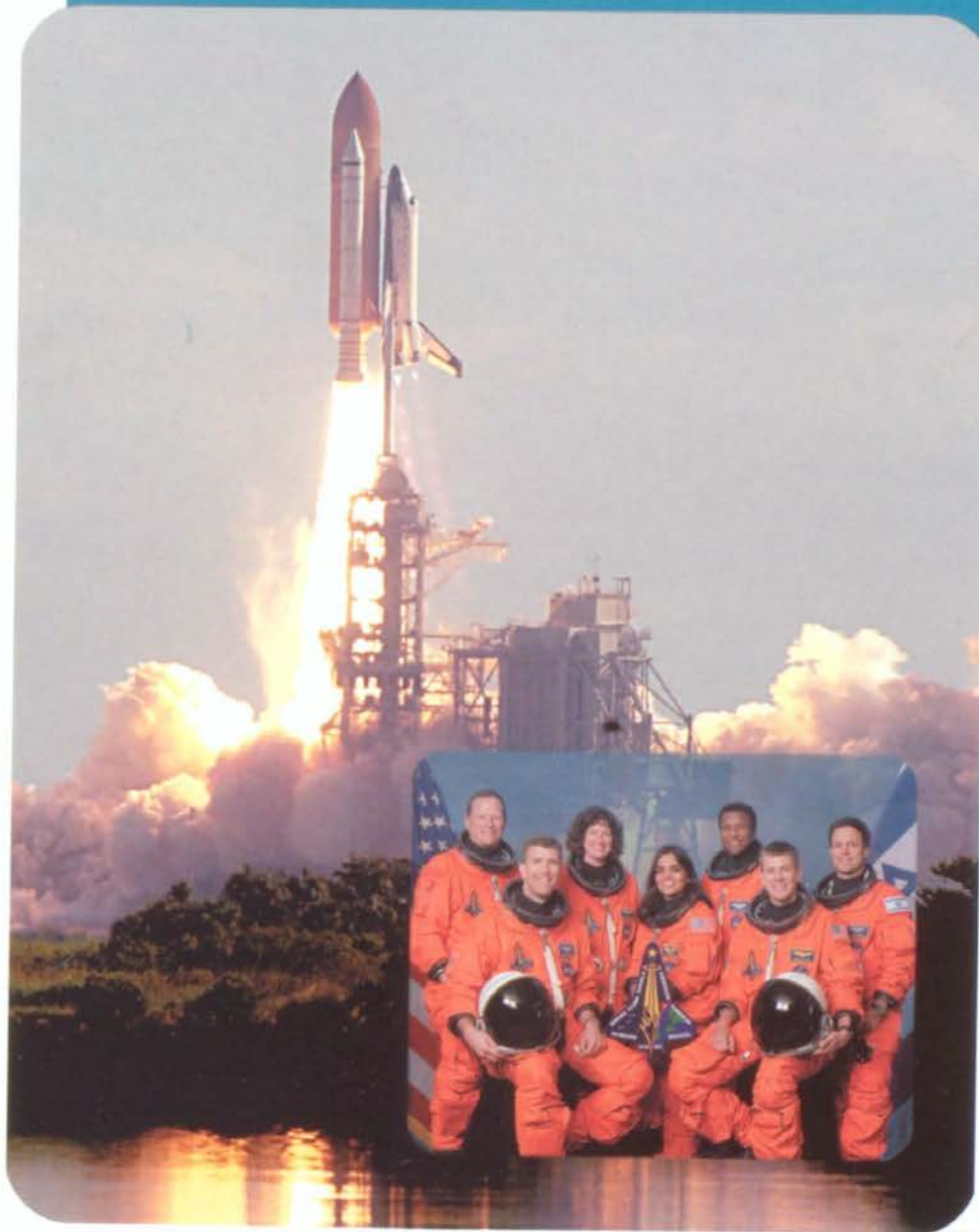
These students amazed us at their ability to be involved in so many activities. Almost every student was involved in at

least one extra activity. Whether it was FFA, student council, or T-Club, these students found a niche in their school and excelled there.

The thing that we will remember the most, though, is the people we met. The students and faculty at this school are what made each event so memorable. Smiles, laughter, hugs, and, even sometimes, tears brought the events to life. These people made this school real for each of us.

Just because our trip is over doesn't mean that the memories are done as well. Whenever you want to journey back through this trip, you can always pick up this book and "take a trip down memory lane."



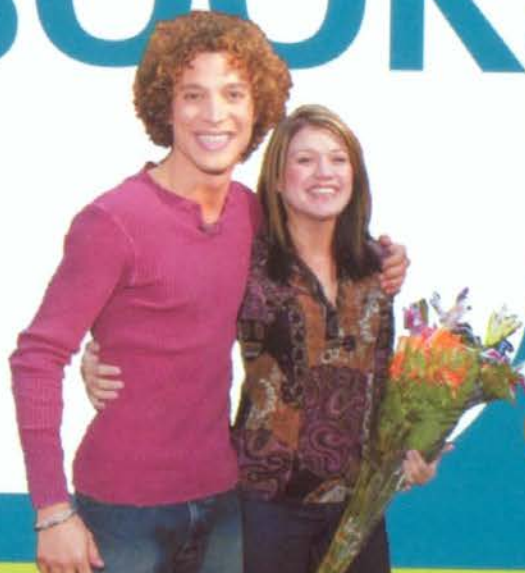


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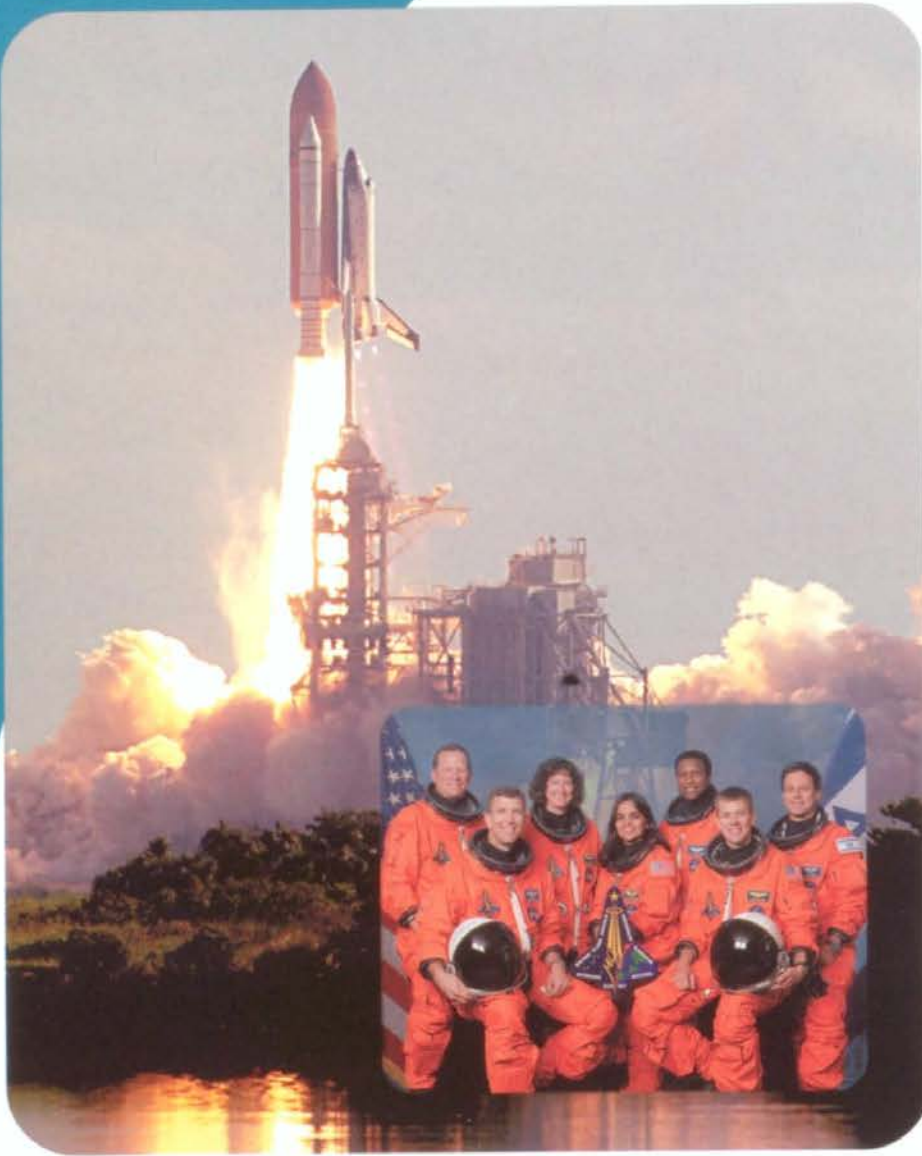
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Upon re-entry into Earth's atmosphere, NASA's space shuttle Columbia loses contact with Mission Control in Houston and breaks apart in the skies over Texas. A crew of seven astronauts, including the first Israeli in space, perished.



Bahamian oil tanker "Prestige," carrying 20 million gallons of oil, sinks off the coast of Spain. Nearly 2.6 million gallons of oil polluted the coast.



Because of improper accounting and a debt load of \$41 billion, WorldCom files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, the largest in U.S. history.



Police Chief Charles Moose arrests two snipers that terrorized the Washington, D.C. area.

# WORLD EVENTS



Rep. Nancy Pelosi becomes the first woman party leader in the House or Senate.



FBI agent Robert Hanssen receives life without parole for selling secrets to Russia.



Minnesota's Democratic Sen. Paul Wellstone is killed in a plane crash.



An earthquake measuring 7.8 magnitude rocks Colima, Mexico. Iran and Italy experienced major quakes measuring 6.3 and 5.9.





A \$4 billion annual loss causes US Airways to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.



Hewlett-Packard and Compaq merge to create an \$87 billion global technology company.



AOL Time Warner's \$54.2 billion quarterly loss is the largest in U.S. history.



U.S. President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin sign an historic arms treaty calling for a two-thirds reduction of nuclear warheads.



Rilya Wilson is missing for 13 months before Florida's child welfare realizes it.



Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter is awarded the 2002 Nobel Peace Prize.



Luke John Helder is arrested for planting 18 pipe bombs in mailboxes.



Nine miners are rescued from a flooded Pennsylvania coal mine after being trapped for more than three days. The entrapment occurred after the miners accidentally broke through to an adjacent, abandoned mine containing more than 50 million gallons of water.

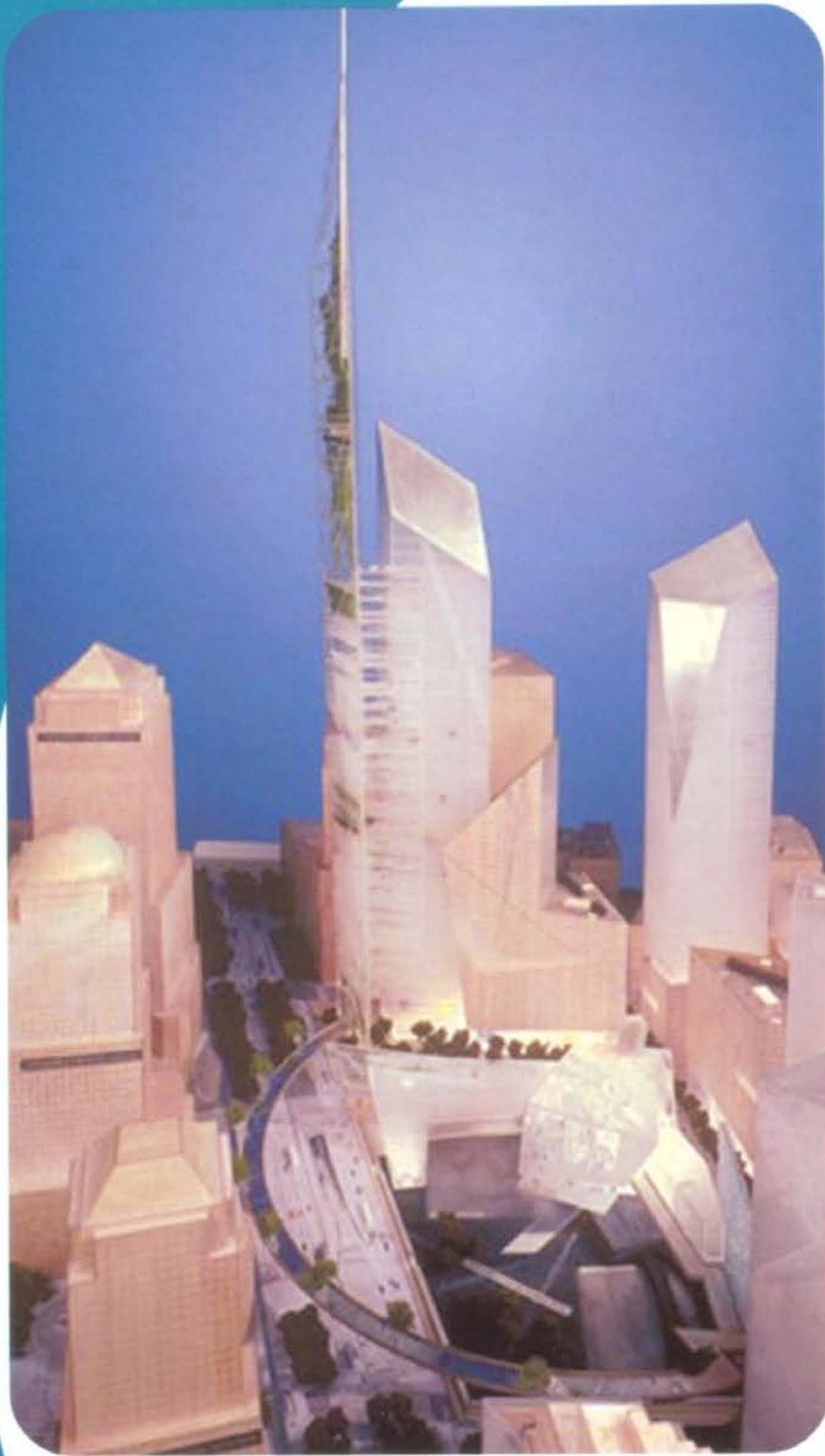


Torrential rainfalls cause major flooding in Prague, Beijing and Lucknow, India.



UCLA doctors separate Guatemalan conjoined twins in a landmark surgery that lasts more than 24 hours. The twins returned home after a five-month recovery.





The new architectural design for the World Trade Center site features a memorial to the Sept. 11 victims and a 1,776 foot tower, making it the world's tallest building.



Chechen rebels hold 800 people hostage in a Moscow theater. More than 100 died after inhaling gas used to end the siege.



Longtime Forest Service employee Terry Barton is charged with setting the largest fire in Colorado's history.



Athina Onassis Roussel inherits \$1 billion on her 18th birthday.



Actor Robert Blake is arrested for the murder of his wife.



Elizabeth Smart is nabbed at gunpoint from her Salt Lake City home.



Bill Gates testifies for the first time in Microsoft's four-year antitrust trial.



The remains of intern Chandra Levy are found in a Washington, D.C. park.





McDonald's posts the first-ever quarterly loss in its 47-year history.



Germany's unemployment rate rises to a five-year high of 4.623 million.



England celebrates Queen Elizabeth's 50 year reign with an unprecedented Golden Jubilee. The month-long festivities included parades, parties, concerts, exhibits and more.



A four-winged Microraptor fossil is found in China.



More than 120 people perish in a South Korean subway fire.



The credibility of the Catholic Church is severely threatened by allegations that church officials covered up molestations by current and former priests.

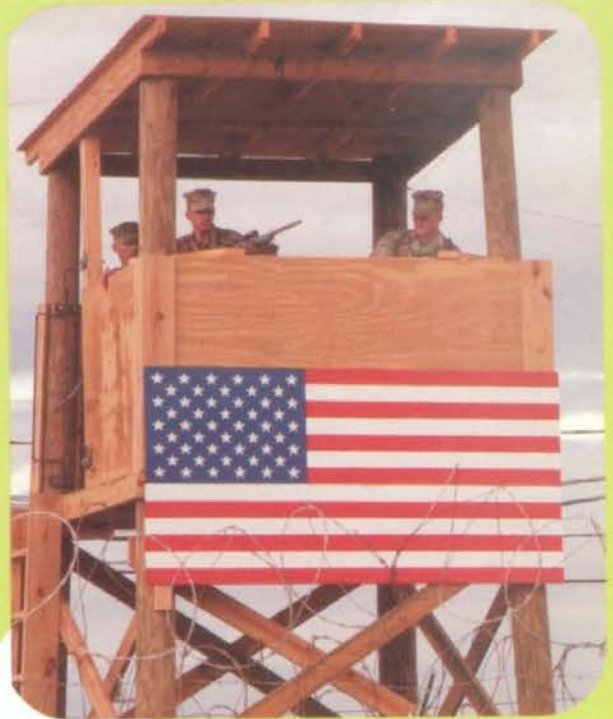
## OTHER NEWS

- FBI Lawyer Coleen Rowley disclosed to Congress that the FBI disregarded information that could have prevented the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States.
- A Chicago nightclub stampede left 21 people dead.
- A piece of the World Trade Center was buried at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, in honor of the Sept. 11 anniversary.
- Fifty-six beached pilot whales died at Chapin Beach, MA.
- Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel was convicted of the 1975 murder of Martha Moxley.
- A band's pyrotechnics ignited a Rhode Island nightclub fire that killed more than 90 people.
- R.J. Reynolds was fined \$20 million for targeting cigarette ads at teens.
- U.S. wildfires burned more than 1.5 million acres in 2002.
- Former Klansman Bobby Frank Cherry was convicted of the 1963 Alabama church bombing that killed four girls.
- Florida's Pembroke Pines Charter Middle School was the only middle school in the world to have an experiment aboard Shuttle Columbia.





President Bush names Tom Ridge the Department of Homeland Security Adviser. The new department is intended to analyze threats and guard U.S. borders, airports, and infrastructure. It will also coordinate responses to national emergencies.



Hundreds of suspected and known terrorists are arrested worldwide. The Guantanamo Bay U.S. Naval Station in Cuba held more than 500 al-Qaeda and Taliban prisoners.



The Transportation Security Administration coordinates airport security measures including checked baggage screening, strict security checkpoints and random searches.

# THE WAR ON TERRORISM

Over the course of the year, the world's attention focused on a chain of tumultuous terrorist events. In Afghanistan, the Taliban regime fell from power as U.S. troops crippled the al-Qaeda network and cleared caves in search of Osama bin Laden. World-wide, civilians and military personnel fell victim to terrorist bombs and acts of hatred. On the home front, "bioterrorism" became a common term after it was revealed that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was producing biological weapons. Hussein's defiance of United Nation's imposed sanctions prompted the United States to

seek world support of military action against Iraq. Members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization wrestled over conflicting opinions on the issue, while North Korean leader Kim Jong Il threatened to deploy nuclear weapons if Iraq was attacked. As tensions rose among political leaders, the world watched and waited to see what the next chapter in "The War on Terrorism" would bring.





One million emergency and military personnel receive Smallpox vaccinations.



World-wide, terrorist linked bank accounts are frozen indefinitely.



In Afghanistan, troops overtake the Taliban regime and dismantle the al-Qaeda network. More than 156,000 U.S. troops are deployed to Kuwait in case of a war with Iraq.



World economies cringe as oil prices rise because of threats of war.



Al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden evades U.S. troops in Afghanistan.



Iraq's Saddam Hussein is uncooperative with U.N. weapons inspectors.



In response to a barrage of suicide bombings, Israeli troops invade Palestinian Yasser Arafat's Ramallah compound. Arafat is thought to have supported terrorist groups.



North Korea's Kim Jong Il threatens deployment of Korea's nuclear weapons.



Anti-war marches across America and around the world are attended by thousands hoping for peace.

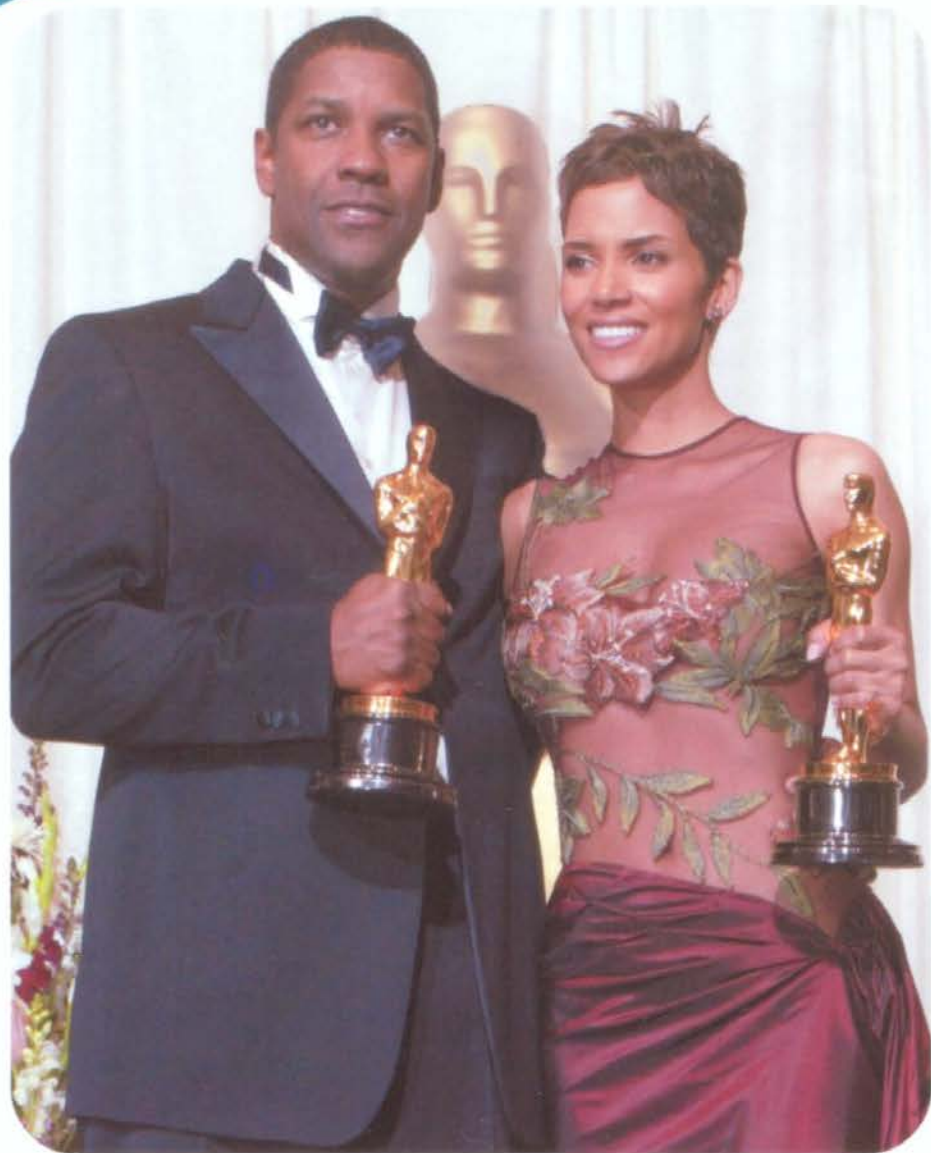


U.S. President George W. Bush urges the United Nations to impose military action on Iraq in response to Saddam Hussein's defiance of U.N. imposed disarmament resolutions.

## OTHER EVENTS

- Top al-Qaeda operative Qaed Salim Sinan al-Harethi was killed during a U.S. missile strike in Yemen.
- Richard Reid pled guilty to charges that accused him of trying to smuggle explosives concealed in his shoes aboard an airplane.
- "Dirty Bomber" Abdullah al Muhajir was detained after evidence indicated he was plotting to detonate a radiological weapon.
- Malaysia, Kenya and the Philippines were hit by terrorist bombs.



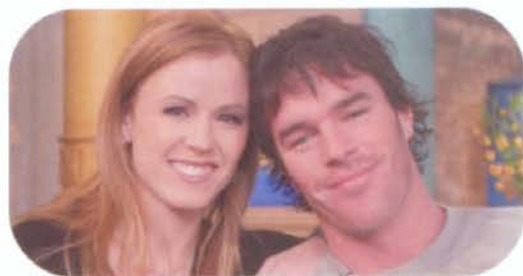


Denzel Washington and Halle Berry win Oscars for Best Actor and Best Actress in 2002. Washington made his directorial debut with "Antwon Fisher" while Berry followed up as a "Die Another Day" Bond Girl.

# TV & MOVIES



"Friends" wins its first Emmy for Best Comedy Series. Star Jennifer Aniston collects Golden Globe, Emmy and People's Choice awards for her role as Rachel.



Reality shows such as "The Bachelorette," "The Bachelor," "Joe Millionaire," "Survivor" and "Fear Factor" sweep the nation.



Kelly Clarkson beats out Justin Guarini to win her own record deal and become the first "American Idol."



"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" earns more than \$240 million.



Leonardo DiCaprio shines in "Gangs of New York" and "Catch Me if You Can."



Actor Tom Hanks receives the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Golden Globe Awards.



George Lucas's "Star Wars: Episode Two - Attack of the Clones" earns \$310 million, making it 2002's No. 2 box office hit.





Creator of "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," Fred Rogers, dies at 74.



TV's "The Simpsons" airs its 300th episode during its fourteenth season.



"The Bernie Mac Show" is one of Fox's new critically acclaimed comedies.



"The Osbournes" are America's favorite heavy metal family.



Hollywood's hottest couple, Jennifer Lopez and "Daredevil" star Ben Affleck announce their engagement.



"Spider-man" celebrates his 40th birthday in 2002. Actor Tobey McGuire personified "Spidey" in the year's No. 1 box office hit that earned a record \$39.4 million on opening day.



Academy Award nominated "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" becomes the largest grossing romantic comedy of all time.



"Alias" star Jennifer Garner appears on the big screen in "Daredevil" and "Catch Me if You Can."

## OTHER NEWS in TV & MOVIES

- History was made in 2002 when box office totals exceeded \$9 billion and more tickets were sold than in any year since the 1950s.
- Oprah Winfrey received the first-ever Bob Hope Humanitarian Award.
- Musical hit "Chicago" was nominated for 13 Academy Awards.
- Other hot TV shows: "Everybody Loves Raymond," "The George Lopez Show," "CSI" & "CSI: Miami," "My Wife and Kids," "Everwood," "Smallville," "Scrubs," "The Practice," "Six Feet Under," "24," "The Sopranos" and "Boston Public."
- Other hot movies: "Signs," "Lord of the Rings: the Fellowship of the Ring," "Unfaithful," "8 Mile," "Barbershop," "Sweet Home Alabama," "The Hours" and "XXX."
- Entertainers Milton Berle, James Coburn, Richard Harris, Dudley Moore and Richard Crenna died this year.





The Dixie Chicks win Favorite Album and Favorite Band, Group or Duo, Country, at the American Music Awards. They also won three Grammys including Best Country Album for "Home."



No Doubt wins the MTV Best Pop Video Award for "Hey Baby" and a Grammy for Best Pop Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal. They also performed at the Superbowl XXXVII halftime show.



Michelle Branch records "The Spirit Room" featuring "Everywhere." She also won a Grammy for "The Game of Love" with Carlos Santana.

# MUSIC



"Where Were You (When The World Stopped Turning)" by Alan Jackson pays tribute to September 11, 2001.



Run DMC's "Jam Master Jay" dies after being gunned down in October.



Creed wins Favorite Band, Pop/Rock and Favorite Artist, Alternative at the American Music Awards. Their album "Weathered" went platinum six times and featured "My Sacrifice."





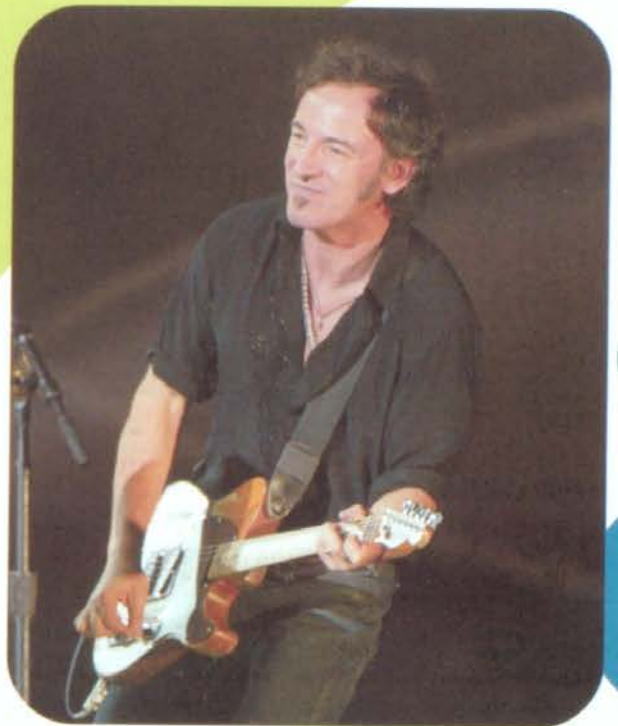
Trey Anastasio reunites with Phish after an extended hiatus.



Favorite New Artist is awarded to Ashanti at the American Music Awards.



Nelly releases "Nellyville" featuring songs "Dilemma" and "Hot In Herre."



Bruce Springsteen and The E Street Band tour the United States and Europe following the release of their album "The Rising" which wins Best Rock Album at the Grammys.



Avril Lavigne debuts "Let Go" featuring "Sk8er Boi" and "Complicated."



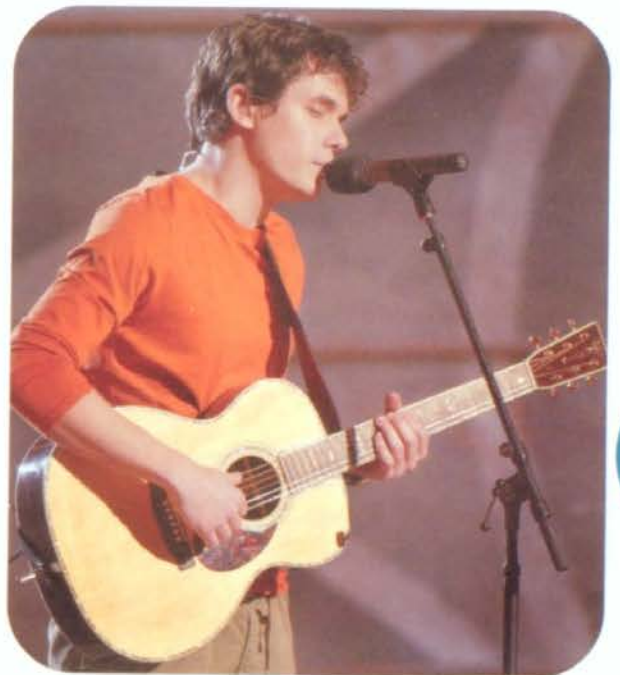
Eminem stars in "8 Mile" and releases a new album "The Eminem Show."



Lisa "Left Eye" Lopez, member of R&B trio TLC, dies in a car accident.



Norah Jones is Best New Artist and wins two Grammys for her album "Come Away With Me." She also took home two Grammys for the song "Don't Know Why."

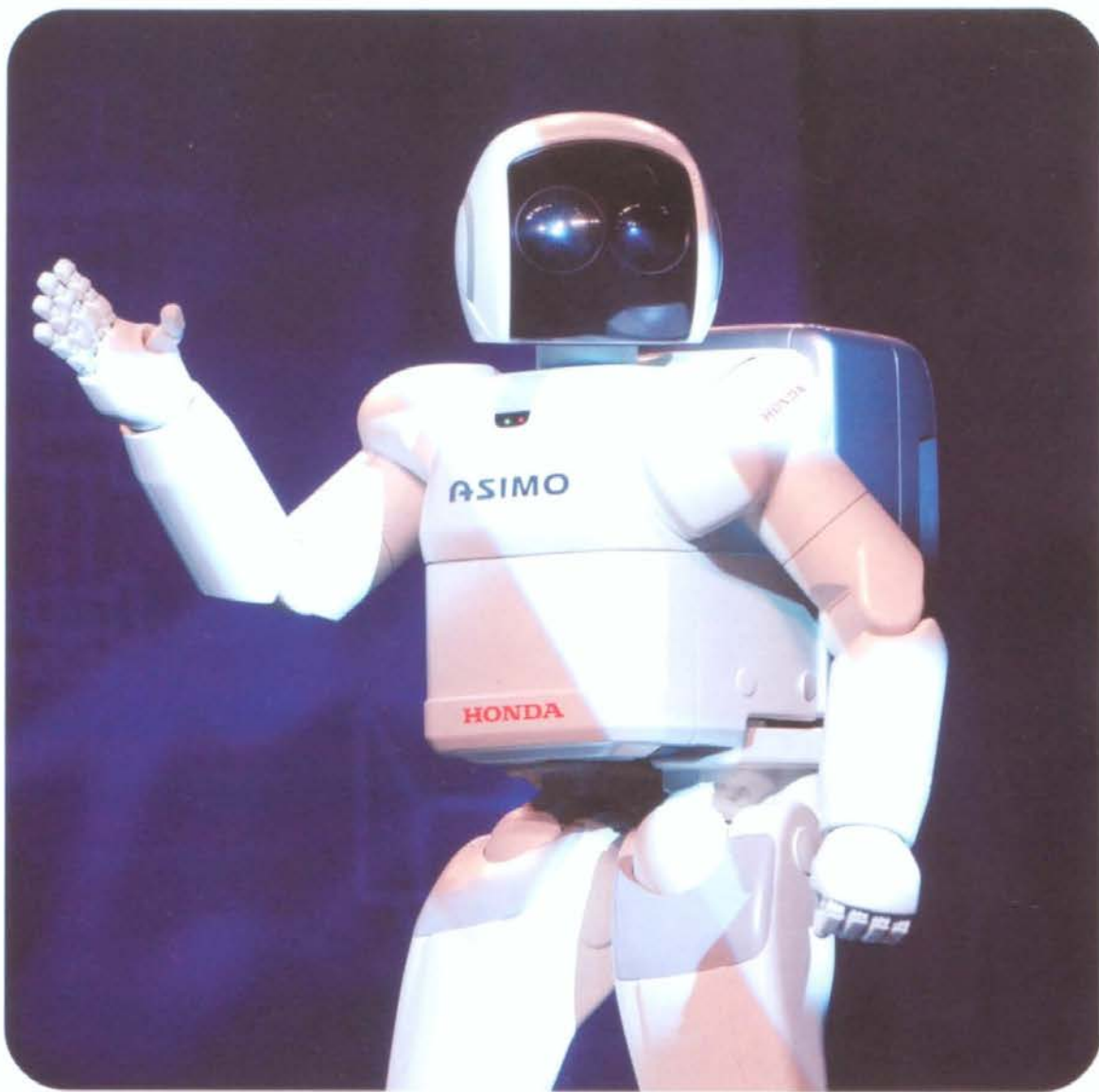


John Mayer wins the Best Male Pop Vocal Performance Grammy for "Your Body Is A Wonderland."

## OTHER NEWS in MUSIC

- Sheryl Crow released her new record "C'mon C'mon" and won a Grammy for "Steve McQueen." She also teamed up with Kid Rock for the single "Picture."
- "Spider-man" won Favorite Soundtrack at the American Music Awards.
- Britney Spears won Best Pop Vocal Album at the American Music Awards for her self-titled album.
- Justin Timberlake launched his solo career with the album "Justified."
- Rosemary Clooney died at 74 of cancer.
- Other names in music this year include Tim McGraw, Usher, Pink, Vanessa Carlton, Eve, Shania Twain and J.Lo.





Honda designs a four-foot robot, Asimo, that knows how to walk, climb stairs, recognize voices and understand human gestures and movement. The robot operated within the human living environment, connected to the internet and provided news and weather updates.



Digital camcorders, DVDs and digital media receivers are hot buys.



The technology industry introduces the handheld computer.



Cell phones connect to the internet, send e-mails and take pictures.

# TRENDS & TECHNOLOGY



Yoga is a popular exercise for the mind, body and soul.



Honda and Toyota introduce hybrid cars. Gas engines and electric motors powered these environmentally advanced and fuel-efficient vehicles.



Pepsi Twist, Vanilla Coke, Jakada Coffee Latte and Red Bull are trendy drinks.



European-style sneakers and shoes are a popular look this year.





Nokia introduces "N-Gage," a video game console combined with a mobile phone. N-Gage played MP3 files, had multiplayer capabilities and could send e-mail and text messages.



Credit cards take on a new look with the Discover 2GO Card.



GPS (Global Positioning System) is a satellite-aided tracking system.



Actors from the film "L.A. D.J." model fashion fads. Low-rise jeans, tank tops, wide belts, cargo pants, rugby shirts, 70's style clothing and terry cloth sweat suits were also popular.



Kelly Rowland is stylin' with extreme color highlights in her hair.



Advancements in laser technology give surgeons the ability to reshape the eye to reduce or eliminate the need for contact lenses and glasses.

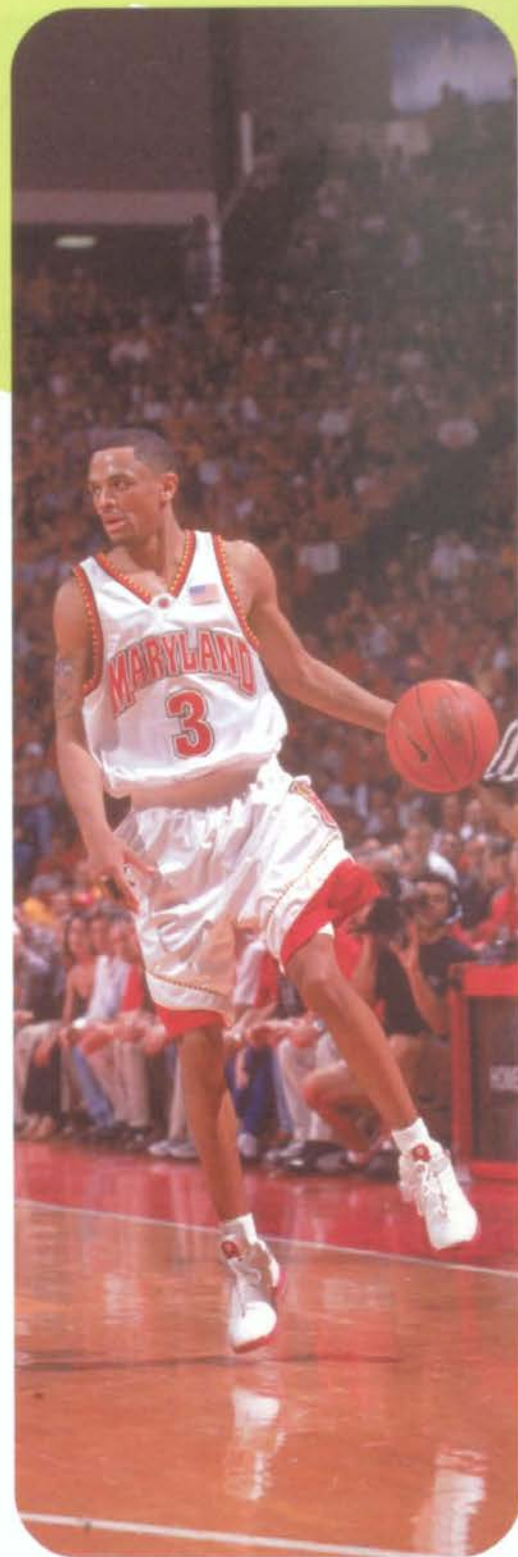
## OTHER NEWS in TRENDS & TECHNOLOGY

- TiVo, a digital video recorder, allowed viewers to record their favorite shows without tapes or timers. It also had the ability to pause, rewind or replay live TV.
- The price of a 42-inch plasma television dropped to \$6,000. The gas-based displays were as thin as four inches.
- Nintendo released the limited edition Platinum Game Boy Advance priced at \$79.95. They also unveiled a new video game console, GameCube, which sold for \$199.95.
- Scientists turned to desktop printers in an effort to produce three-dimensional tubes of living tissue. Many laboratories were printing arrays of DNA, proteins and cells.
- Segway introduced the first "Human Transporter." The upright, personal transportation device was designed to operate in any pedestrian environment and retailed at \$4,950.
- The Packbot was recruited by the U.S. Army to help fight the war against terrorism. The robot transmitted images from inside caves, letting troops know if it was safe to proceed.





The Anaheim Angels celebrate their first World Series championship. They beat the San Francisco Giants in a seven-game series.



The University of Maryland claims the 2002 NCAA College Basketball Championship.

# SPORTS



Andre Agassi wins his fourth Australian Open.



Michael Waltrip takes the flag at a rain-shortened Daytona 500. This was his second Daytona victory.



Brazil defeats Germany 2-0 in the first FIFA World Cup to be held in Asia.





Serena Williams becomes the fifth woman in history to hold all four Grand Slam tennis titles at once.



The PGA's money leaders for 2002 are Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Vijay Singh.



The University of Connecticut wins its 39th consecutive game and the NCAA Women's Basketball Championship by defeating Duke.



Lance Armstrong is the first American to win four consecutive Tour de France titles.



Boston Red Sox baseball legend Ted Williams dies at 83.



Baltimore Colts football great Johnny Unitas dies at 69.



The Tampa Bay Buccaneers claim their first Super Bowl Championship with a 48-21 victory over the Oakland Raiders.



Ohio State stunned Miami in double overtime to win college football's national championship.



The Detroit Red Wings capture the Stanley Cup by defeating the Carolina Hurricanes.





War Emblem races to victory at the Kentucky Derby.



Tasha Schwickert wins the 2002 International Women's All-Around Gymnastics Championship.



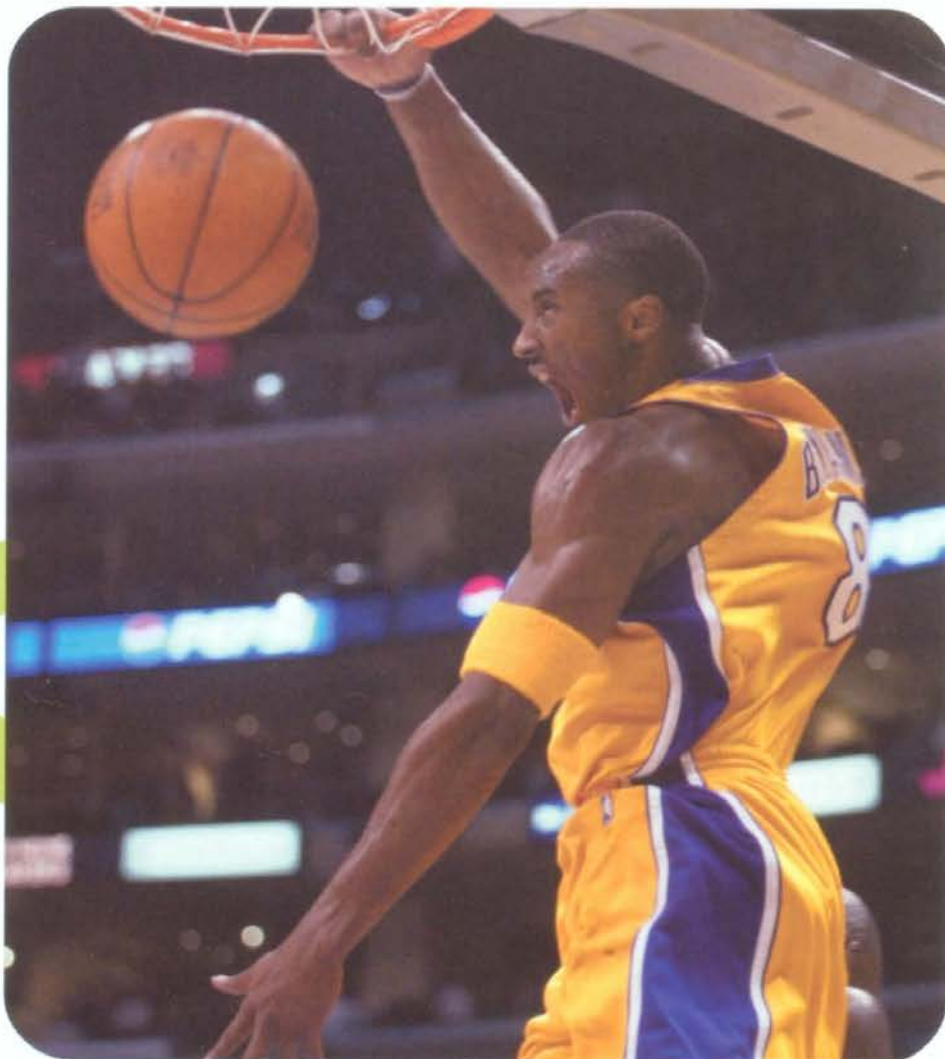
Winter X Gamers Shaun White and Gretchen Bleiler claim the gold in the Men's and Women's Superpipe.



Gary Kasparov beats a super computer after a four-hour chess match.



Michael Jordan announces his retirement at the NBA All Star game.



Kobe Bryant, Shaquille O'Neal and the L.A. Lakers defeat the New Jersey Nets in a 4-0 sweep of the 2002 NBA Championship series. The win was the Lakers' third consecutive title.



Annika Sorenstam is the first woman to play on the PGA tour in 58 years.

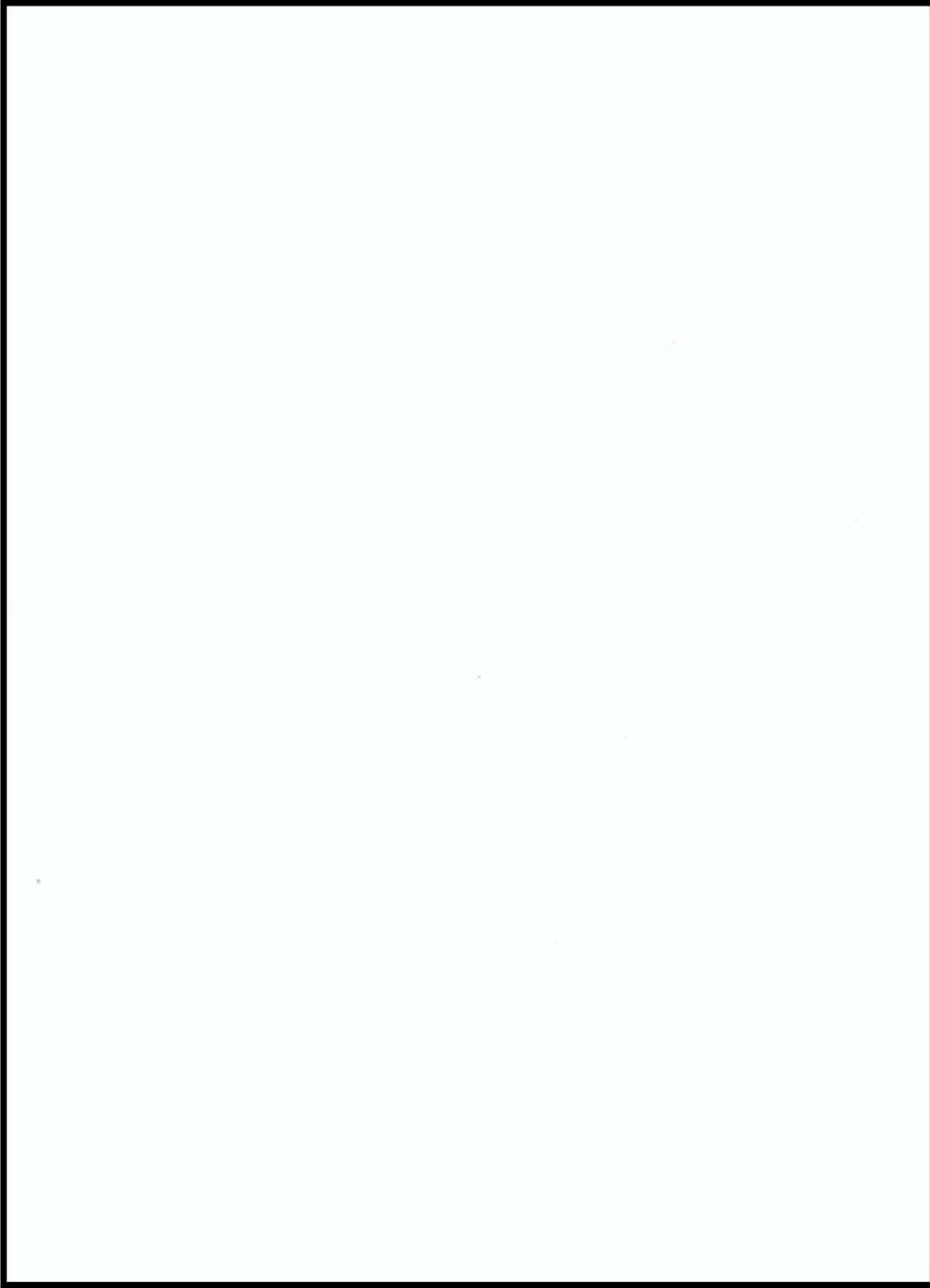


Patrick Tillman leaves his \$3.6 million NFL contract to enlist in the Army.

## OTHER NEWS in SPORTS

- The University of Texas men and Auburn University women won the 2002 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships.
- Minnesota Timberwolves' Kevin Garnett was named the NBA All Star MVP. Garnett led the West to victory in double overtime.
- St. Louis Cardinals' Pitcher Darryl Kile died of a heart attack at 33. Roone Arledge, creator of "Wide World of Sports" and "Monday Night Football," died at 71.
- The University of Texas defeated the University of South Carolina to win the College World Series.

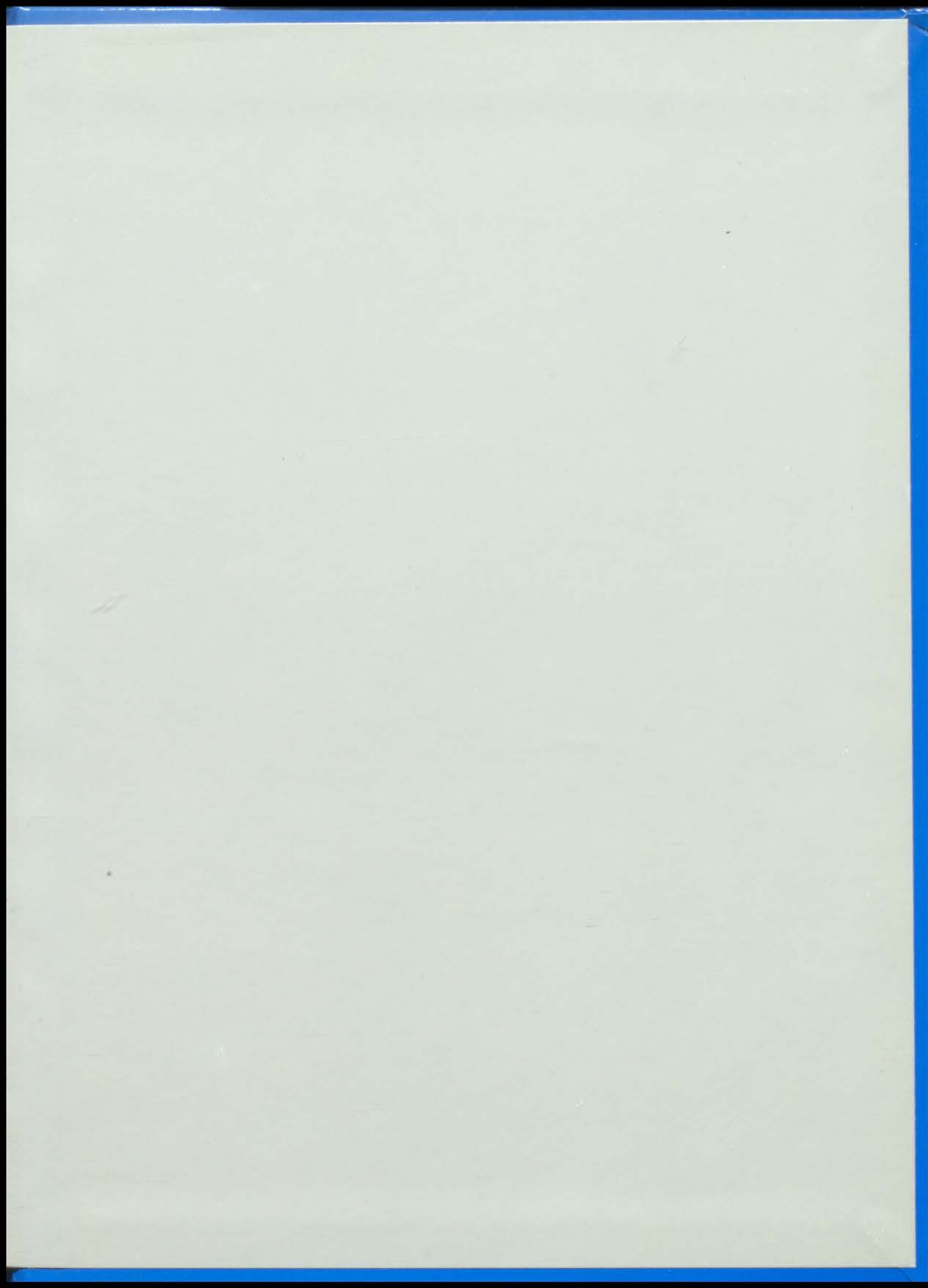














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