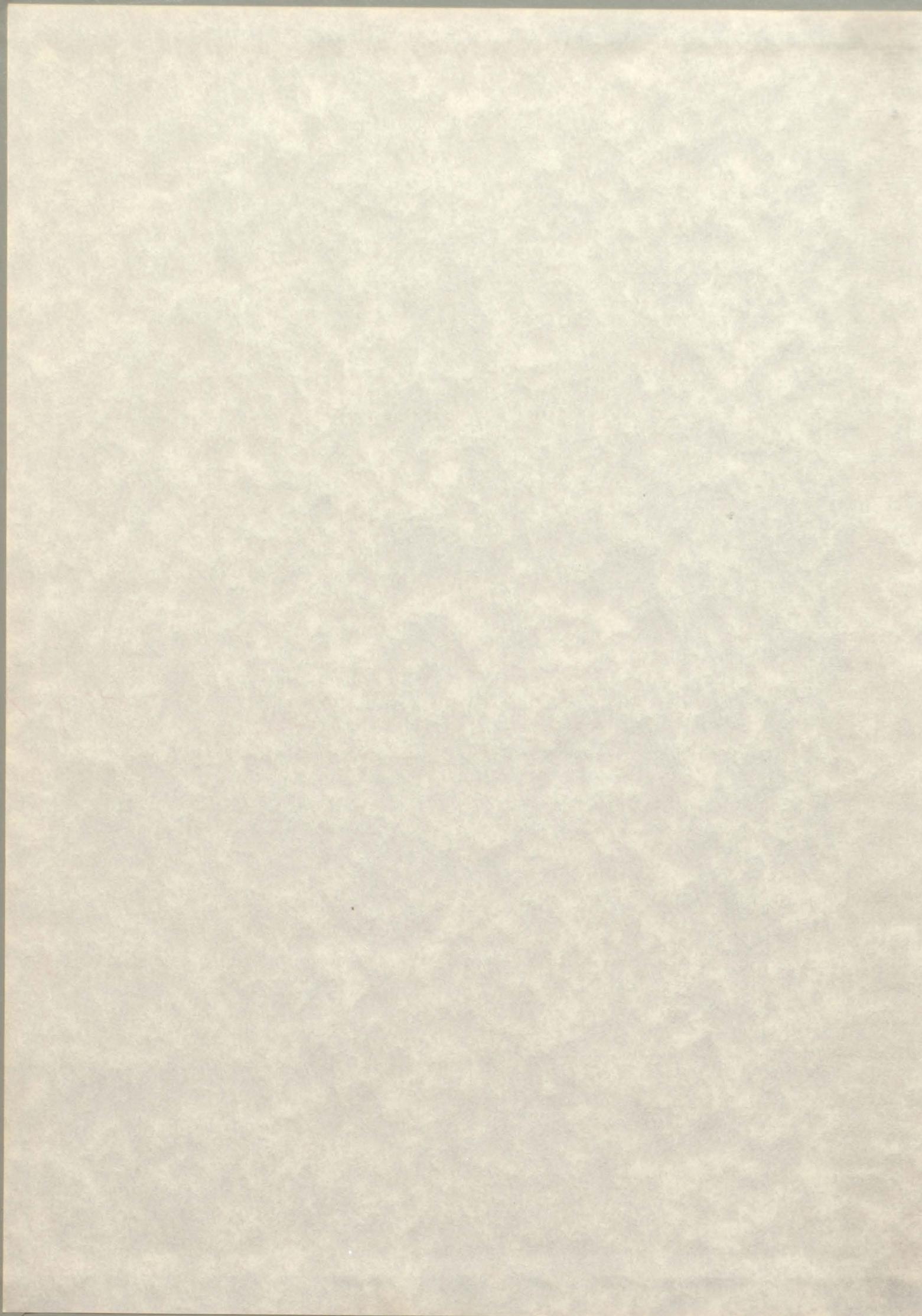


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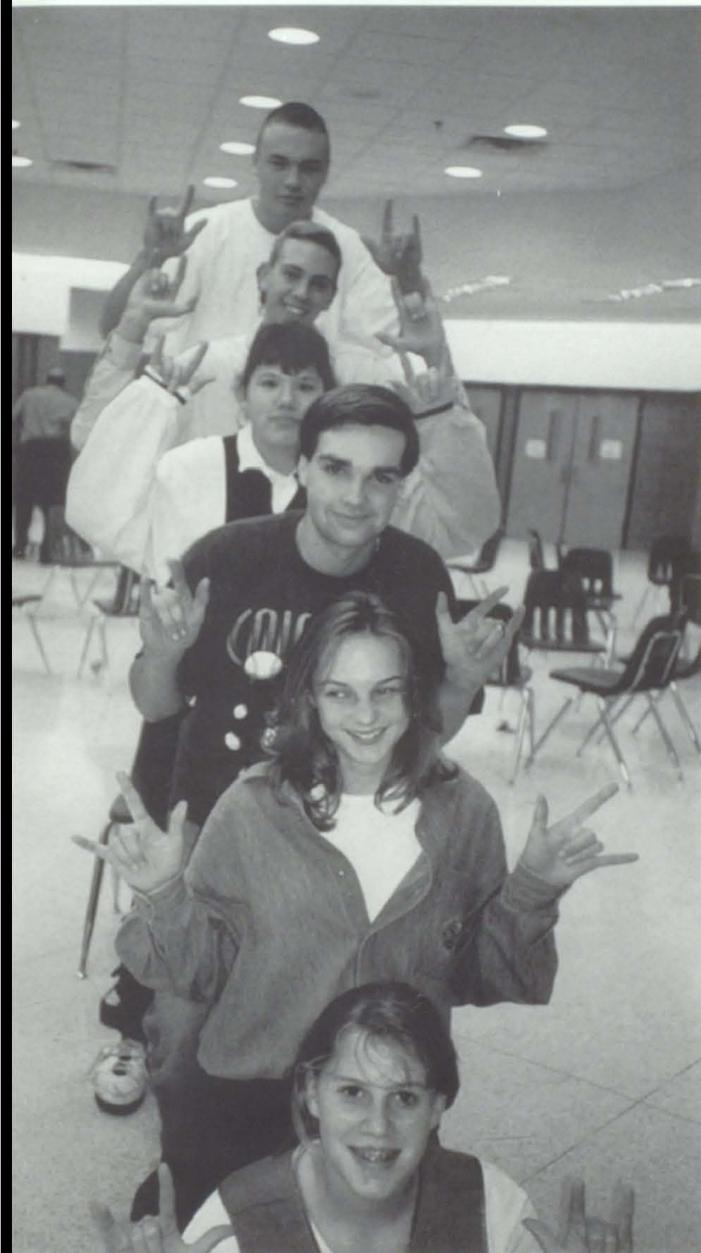








WHERE THE WILDCATS ROAM



Top left. Rob Hustad, Joe Cox, and Derek Stoldt try to seduce the camera.
Above. Sophomores point their fingers at the Wildcat roaming through the gym.
Left. Wildcat students rise up to new levels. Top to bottom: Mike Miller, Tom Gerding, Helen Buetow, Tom Sandeen, Leia Christoffer, Brittany Molnau.

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WHERE THE WILDCATS ROAM

The Waconia Wildcats roam in many different places during the school day. Arriving through the front entrance, students make their way to their lockers before heading to classes. During study hall, students either stay in the commons area or go to the media center for quiet study. At the morning break, many students gather in the commons or roam the halls to find their friends or teachers. Specialized areas where the

Wildcats roam include the choral and instrumental music areas, the athletic locker rooms, the offices or the computer rooms. After school students can be found practicing sports in the gymnasium, attending meetings in classrooms, practicing cheers in the front hall, or doing stretching exercises in the commons. The new building has given WHS students a whole new environment in which to roam.



Above. Students eagerly leave school ready to "roam" to their after school activities and jobs. **Above, center right.** The new music facilities house the choral and instrumental music groups.

Top. Jessica Kes and Sarah Meuleners check out the girls' locker room.

Right. A wonderful place to roam is the spacious new cafeteria.



Above left. Ms. Thometz roams over to help some students who need assistance as they try the new computer programs.

Above. Students relax in the media center as they finish some homework before going home.



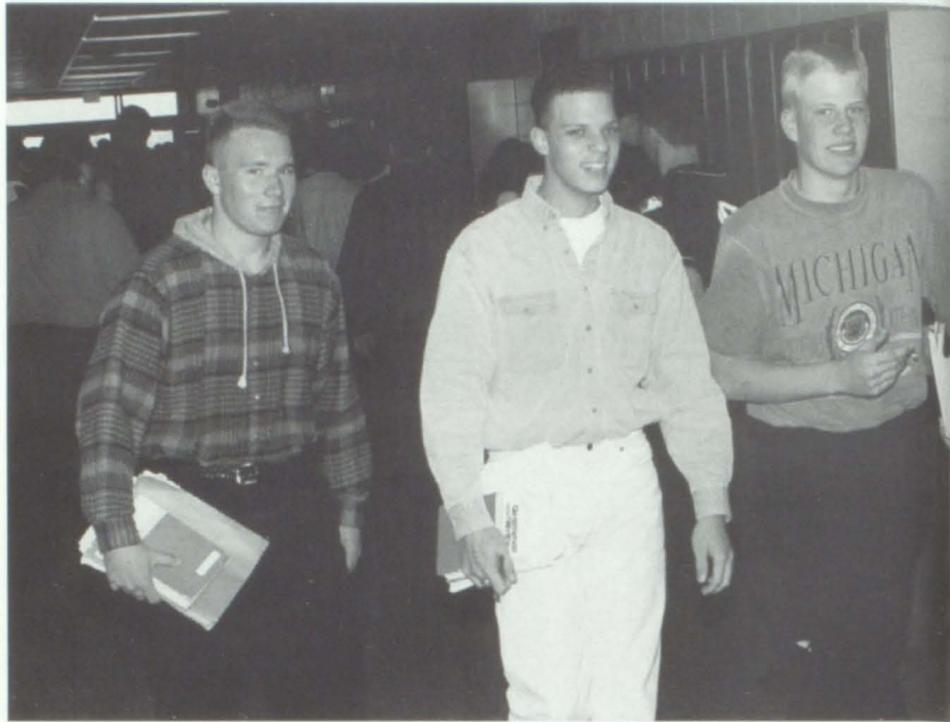
Left. These senior students enjoy roaming in a new classroom.

Below. Students often roam to the guidance office for assistance; these seniors ask Miss Mitzel for some college advice.



WILDCATS ROAM: STUDENT LIFE

Students roam in many places. The new school has made it a more enjoyable atmosphere in which students can learn and socialize. During a typical school day students can be seen in many places such as the commons, media center, hallways, classrooms, or at school activities and sports. School activities such as dances and after school organizations are the places where many students roam after school. As well as activities, students support their favorite Wildcat teams by cheering in the stands.

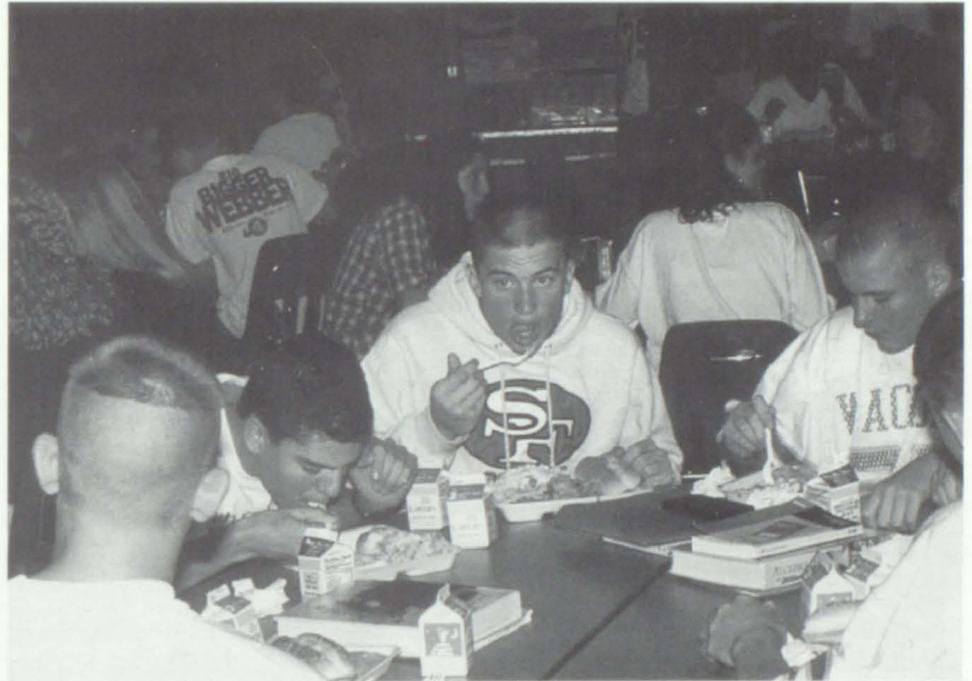


Top. Seniors Andy Kerber, Andy Engelhart, and Brad Bollmann walk quickly to Mr. Benson's Comp. 12 class.

Above. Wildcat volleyball fans watch in excitement and awe.

Above. Groovy juniors Kim Kirsch and Amy Westlund disco on down the hallway.





Top. The pep band recharges and waits to play the rouser at the end of the pepfest.

Left. Ian Hill copies a picture out of his favorite magazine during speech class.

Above. Brandon Newman shovels it in while Jake Streeter takes his time to savor the school lunch.



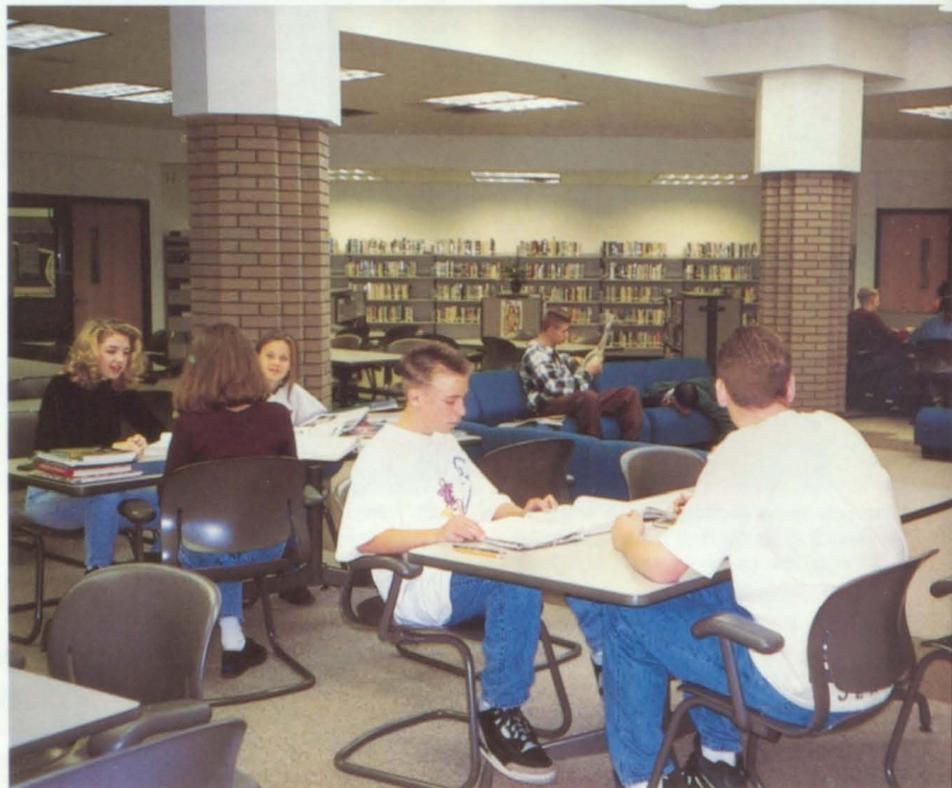


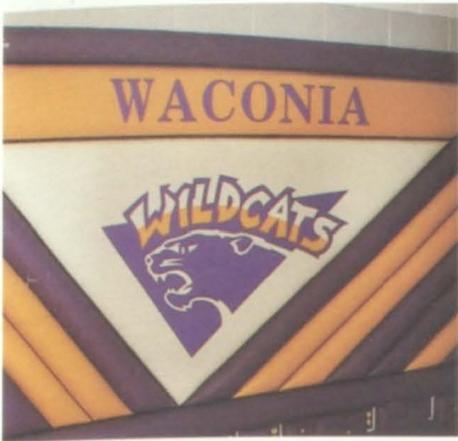
NEW PLACES

The new building and new faces around WHS have ignited an exciting chaos that makes the school day go by a little faster. With the new high school everyone has had to learn the location of all the right rooms with the right teachers. Questions ranging from "Who's Mr. Cain?" to "Where's the band room?" can often be heard several times throughout the day. New computer sources as well as a new media center have enabled students and faculty to access information more easily. The Wildcats have taken a step up in preparing for their future.

Top. The new Waconia High School has an impressive front entrance.

Right. Students at Waconia High School find it very enjoyable and comfortable to study in the large, open, and quiet media center.





Left. Waconia High School's new mascot, the Wildcat.

Left, below. New students Brittany Molnau and Melissa Schmitt stop for a quick picture during their free time.

Below. New students to WHS Thomas Engstrom, Kaisa Niilo-Rama, Kris Barnekow, Takako Shimizu, Michelle Rettig, and Gretchen Wagener sit back and relax on the funky blue couches.



NEW FACES



Above. A group of new teachers, Miss Kathy Mitzel, Mrs. Pam Melchert, Ms. Amy Fischer, Ms. Shaun Kersting, Mr. Darren Cain, and Mr. Scott Snobl sit around a table to discuss their enjoyment at having new students to teach.



Above. New principal, Mr. Mark Fredericksen, tells a joke to Ms. Kersting to make her feel at home in the new school.



Adjustments Become Way of Life at WHS

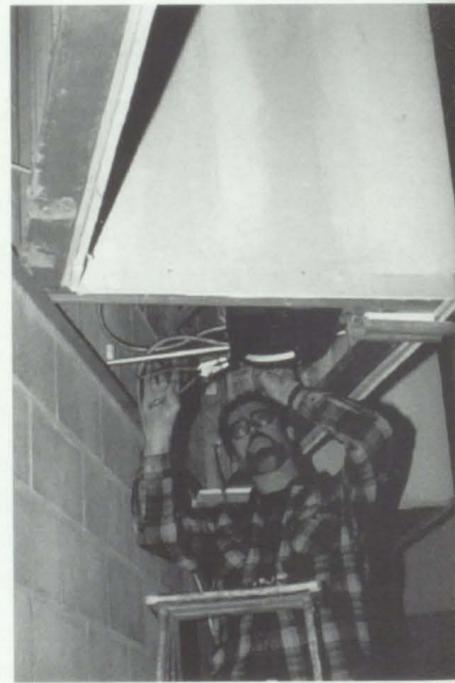
Waconia High School underwent many changes in the past year. The two most noticeable changes were the new school building and the new mascot and name, the Wildcats. Another change was a new principal — Mark Fredericksen, as well as several new people on the faculty.

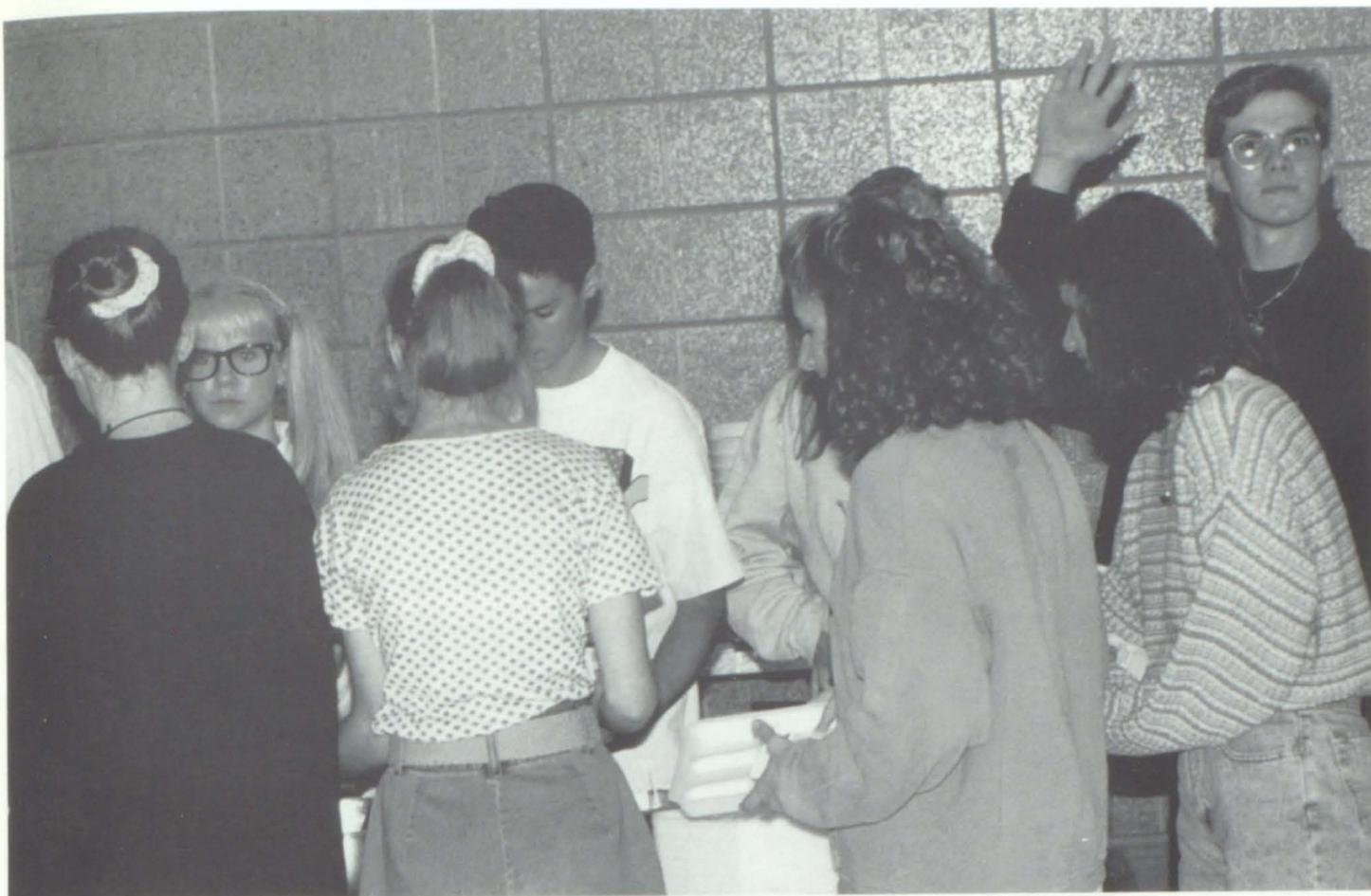
There were also adjustments that the students had to cope with during the first few months of the year. Lunches had to be bused to the new school from Bayview because the serving area was not yet completed.

A second adjustment during first quarter was that students enrolled in home ec, industrial tech, and certain art classes had to take shuttle buses to Bayview for their classes. In addition, the band and choir rehearsed in the wrestling room until their facilities were finished.

Students and faculty also had to cope with the frequent fire drills resulting from the continuing construction. During the first few weeks, the school had no bells. Students and teachers needed to watch the clocks

until tones were finally installed. The classrooms also had phones to use instead of intercoms. Until all the books in the media center were barcoded and the computerized system was in place, students were unable to check out materials. During construction there were ladders in the hallways and workmen everywhere. And finally, before the gym was done, athletes had to practice in the Bayview gym. All in all, WHS students and staff adjusted to the many changes quite well.





Opposite Page:

Upper left. Holly Caviness busily barcodes the media center's books for a more organized way of checking them out.

Upper right. Kyle Kosieracki concentrates on the music even though the facilities of the wrestling room are trying on the instrumentalist.

Lower left. Andrew Christianson admires the new bathroom signs.

Lower center. Ms. Dulgar uses her phone to call to see if a student is absent.

Lower right. This is one of the many workmen that students see in the hallways everyday.

Top. Students pick up their styrofoam plates as they receive their food from the temporary serving area.

Above left. Students board the shuttle bus to Bayview for their foods class.

Above. Jim Radde pleasantly unpacks one of the new computers at the beginning of the year.



Exciting Times Highlight Year

Many exciting events happened during the 1994-95 school year. One of the first highlights was the crowning of the new king and queen for homecoming. Of course, seeing construction workers became commonplace to students after the first few days of school. WHS students also received recognition when they won awards or gave an outstanding performance in music or athletics. Special assemblies for all students brought the student body together on several occasions. On December 9, 1994, a special dedication of the new school building was held for all WHS students, with a community dedication held on December 11.

Top. Senior Jaime Mackenthun nervously waits for the magician to chop off his head during the Dare to be Different, Dare to be Great magic show.

Right. As Dr. Dressen dedicates the new school, everyone holds hands to symbolize unity.

Below. Construction workers liven up the school.

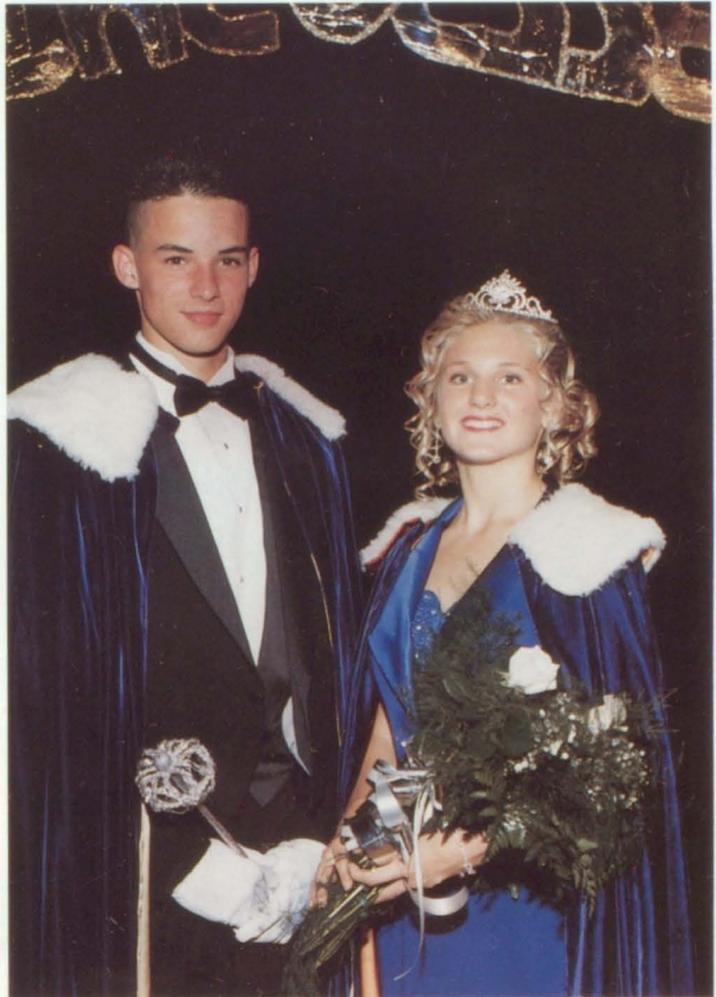
Below center. Amber Christenson receives the key to the new school at the student dedication.

Below right. Matt Yost, singing in the Pop Group, is one of the first to perform in the new auditorium.



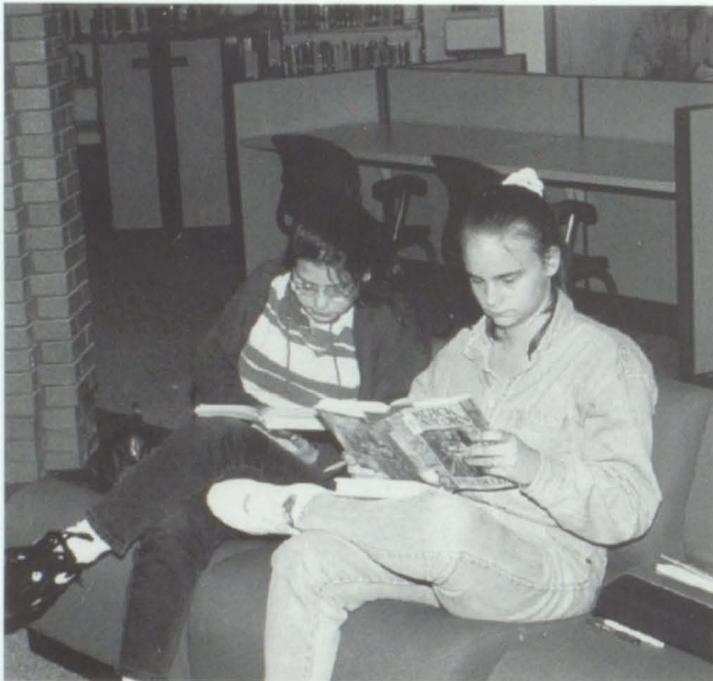


Top. Wildcat pride consumes the whole school.
Above. Mr. Fredericksen gives Ryan Schultz an award for being named commended student in the 1995 National Merit Scholarship Program.
Right. Homecoming king and queen Jesse Roush and Amber Christenson smile as they accept their thrones.

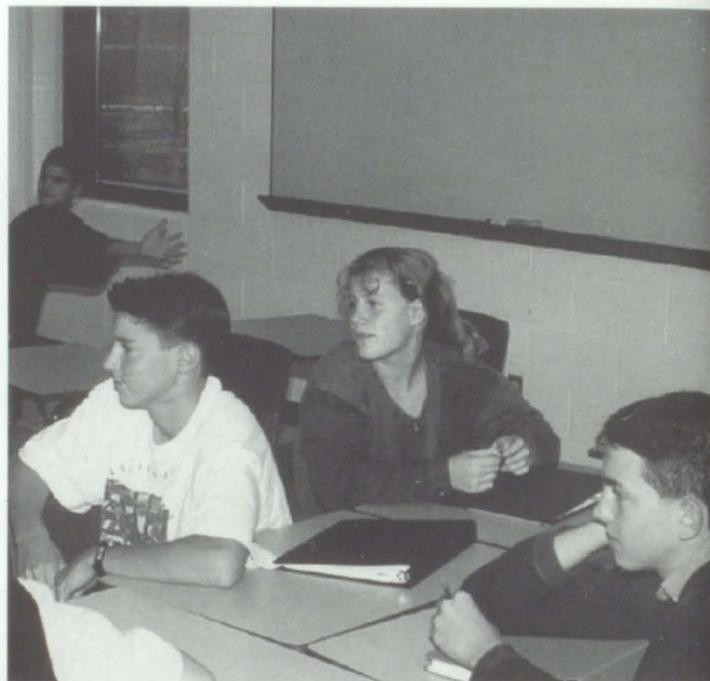


WILDCATS ROAM: STUDENTS

Students enjoy various school activities, from Spanish trips to school dances. There are many places where the students roam, but the main place would have to be the classrooms. Although students are in classrooms the majority of the school day, these classrooms are in a variety of places. During first semester, students frequently rode shuttle buses to Bayview Middle School for their industrial tech and foods classes, and throughout the year to Chaska Vo-Tech Center for mechanics and other skills classes that the high school doesn't offer. The variety of activities and classroom settings makes the Waconia students enjoy and appreciate learning enormously.



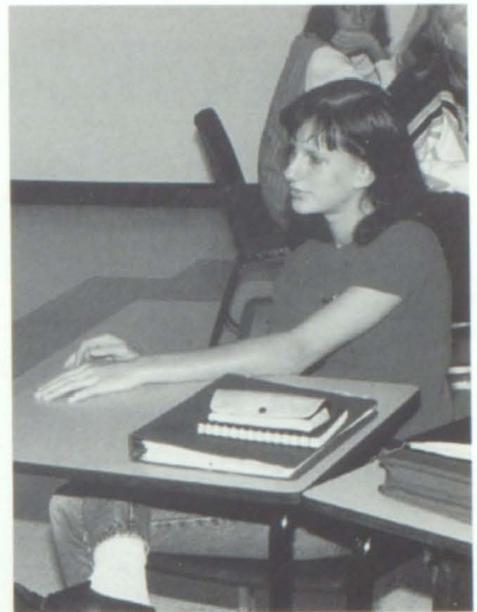
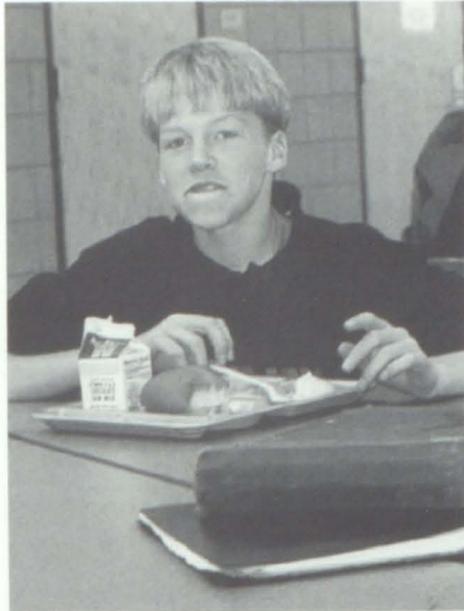
Top. Kelly Jo Sletten, Robyn Farrell, and Ryan Gulden say "Hola!" during this year's Spanish field trip.



Above. Karla Lindemann and Sara Randolph use the media center to study in a comfortable environment.

Above. Freshman students listen with interest and amazement.





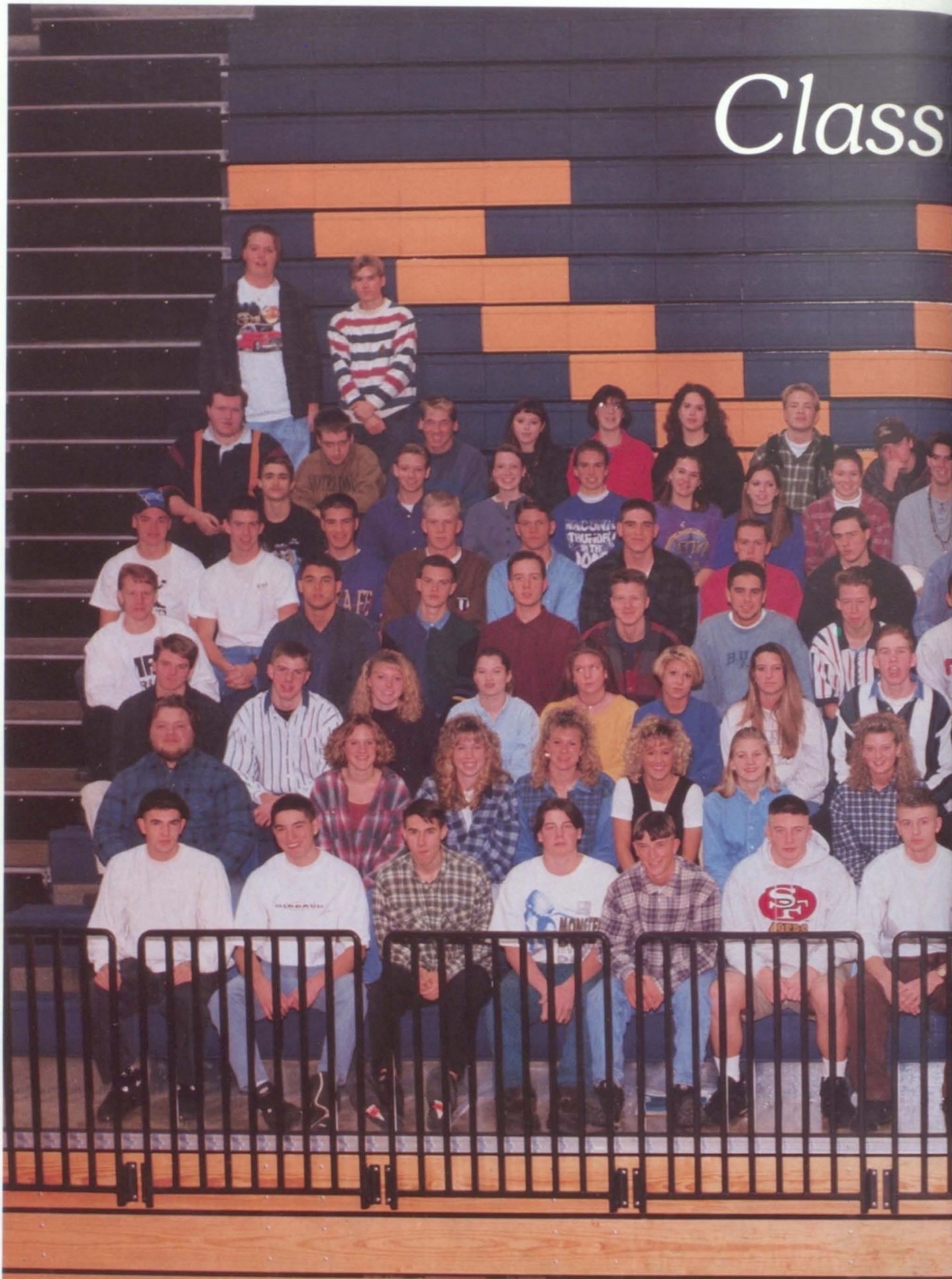
Top left. Leesa Bartholomew concentrates on her biology test.
Top center. John Gilbert takes a moment to look away from his lunch.

Above. Sarah Meuleners and Mary Roebke ham it up for the camera at their last homecoming dance.

Top right. Laura Zender, with the rest of her classmates, waits anxiously for the class to end.



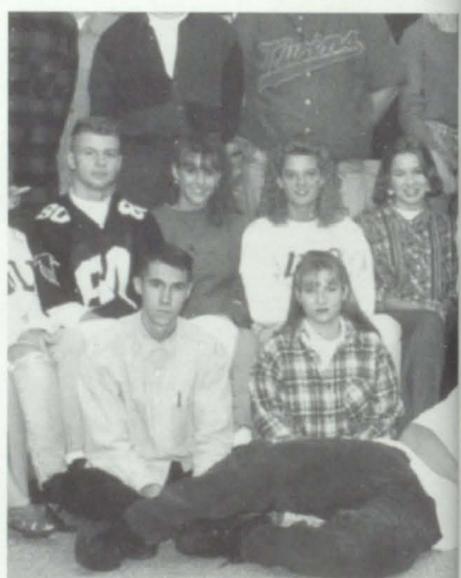
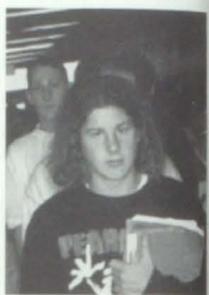
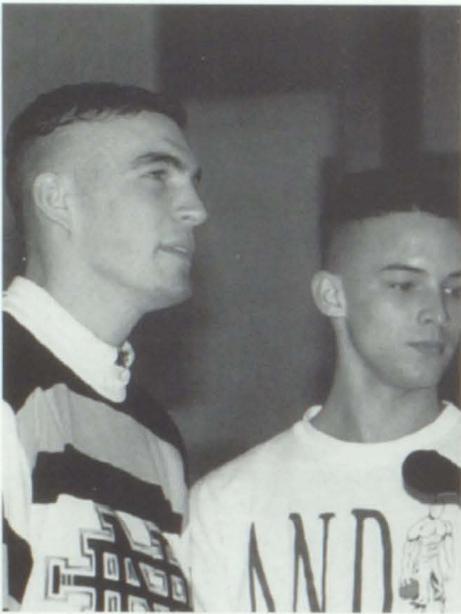
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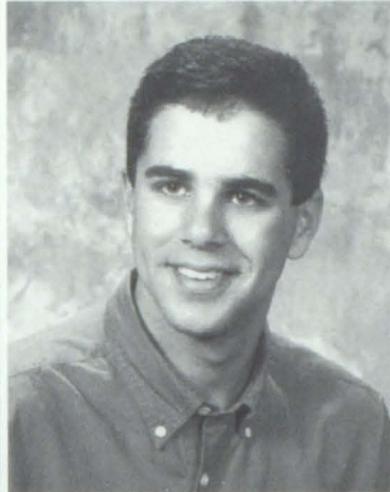
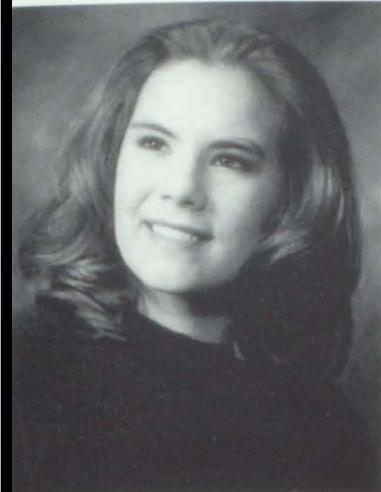
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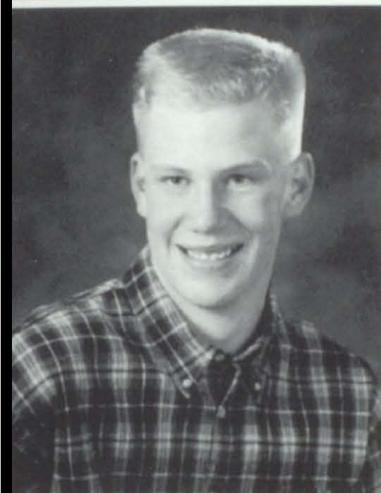
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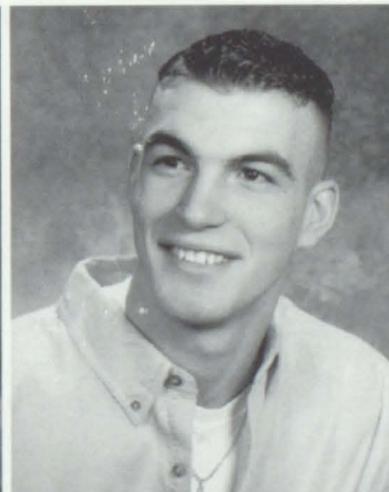
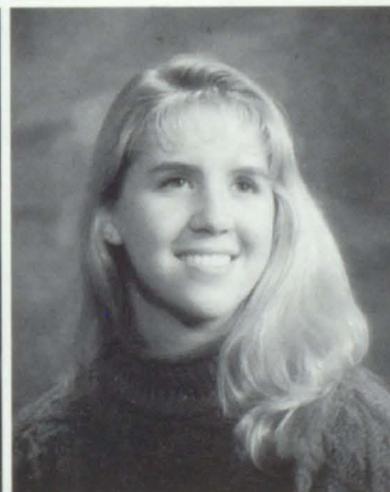
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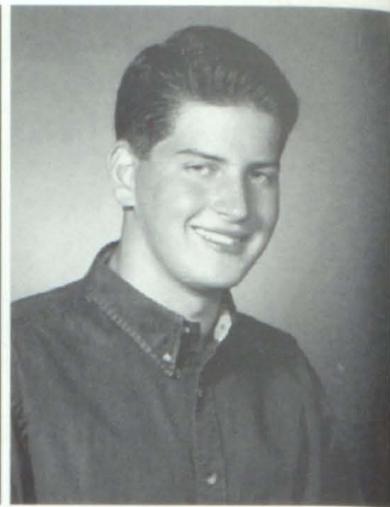
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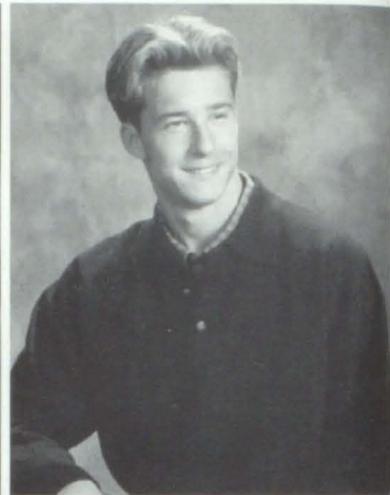
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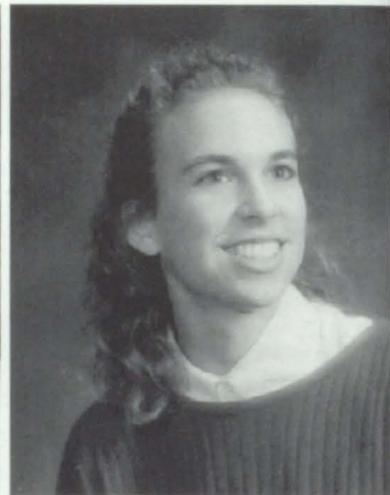
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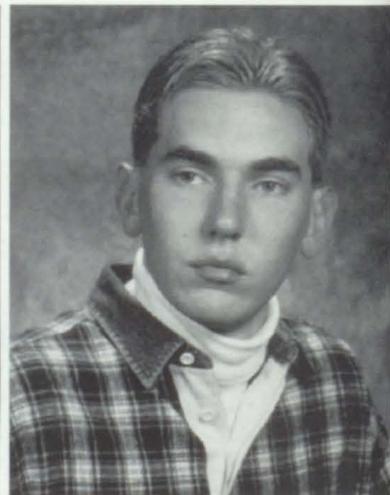
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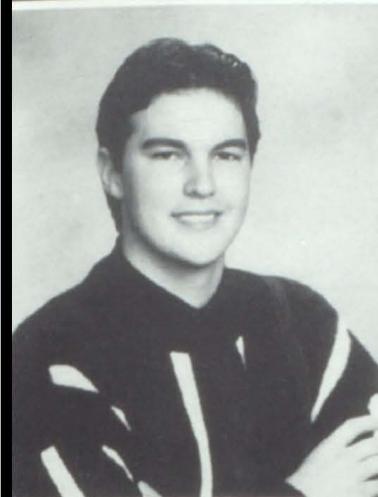




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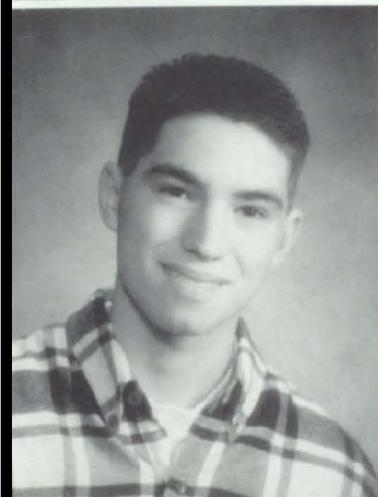
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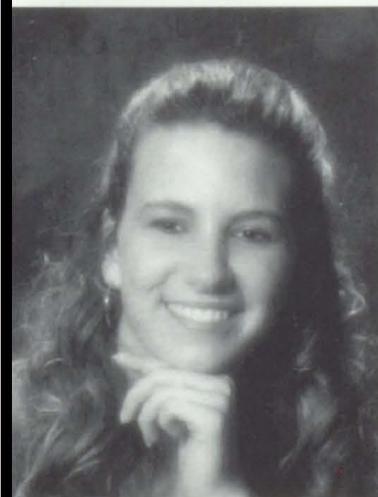
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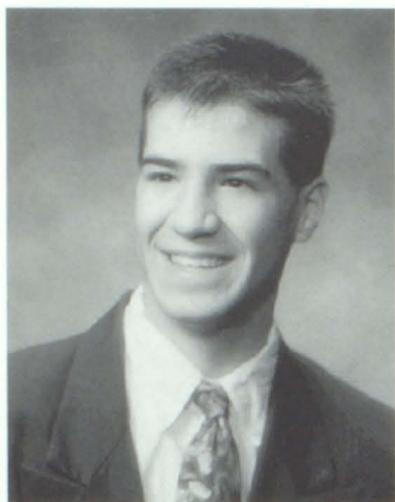
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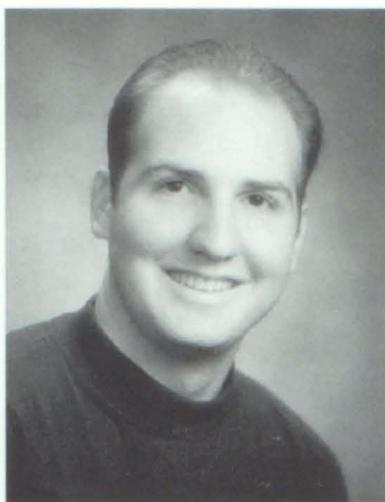
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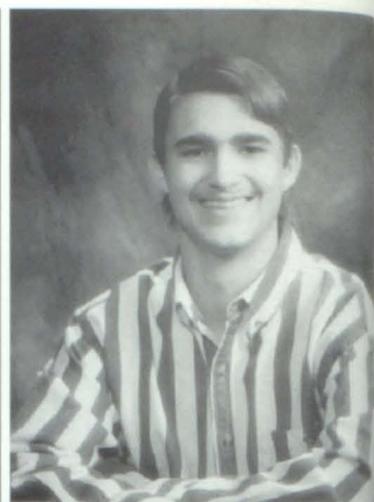
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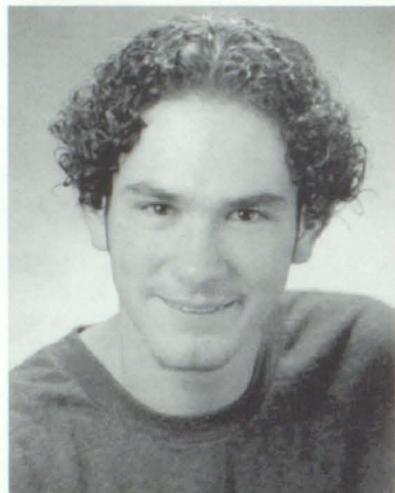
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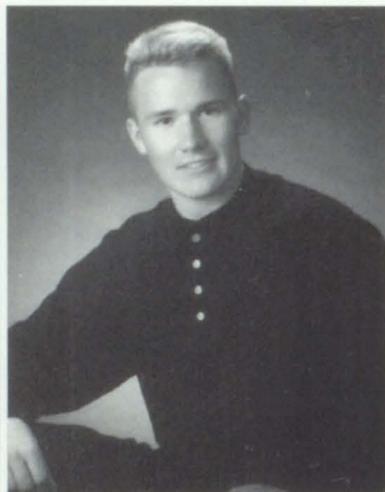
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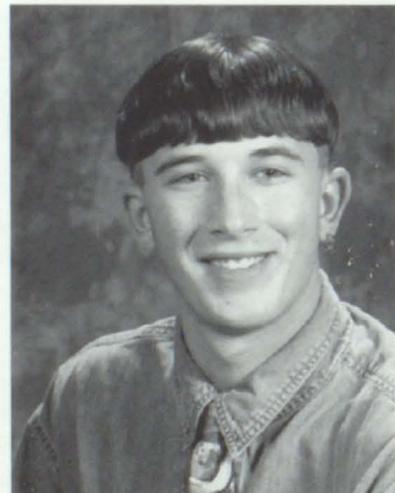
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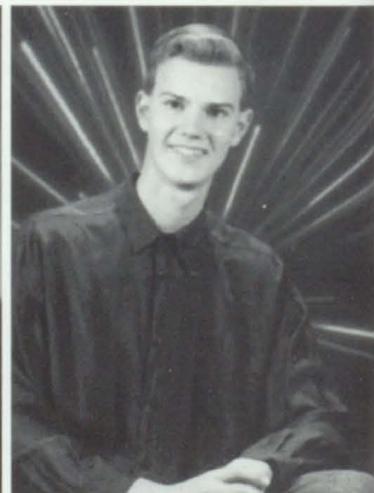
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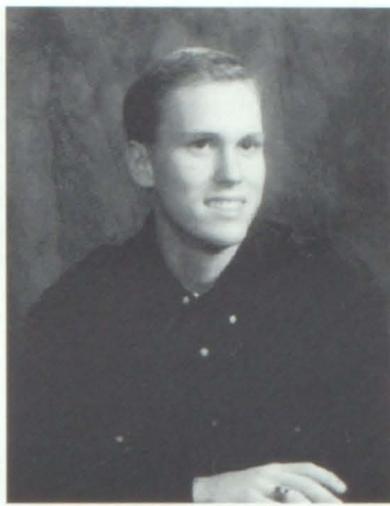


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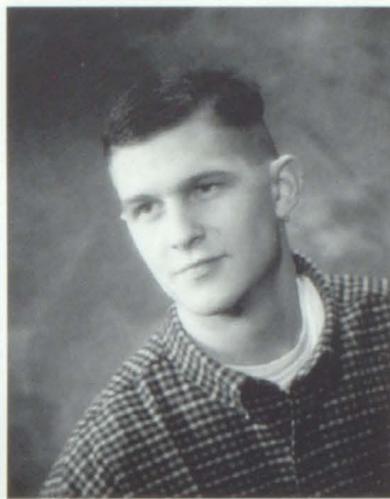




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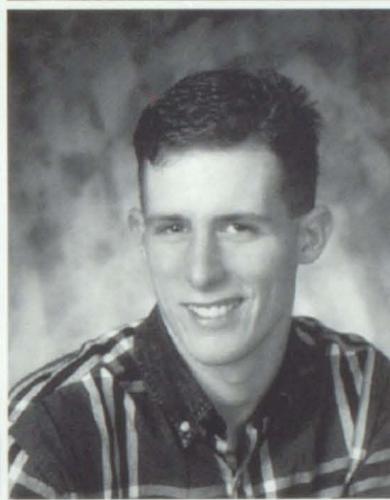
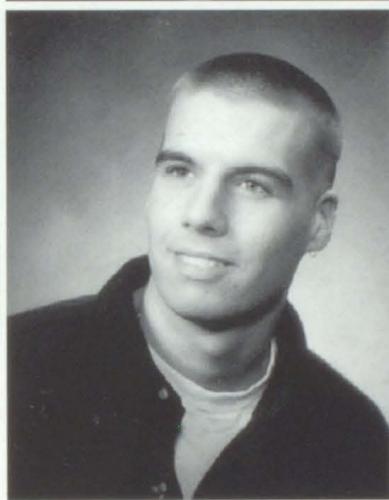
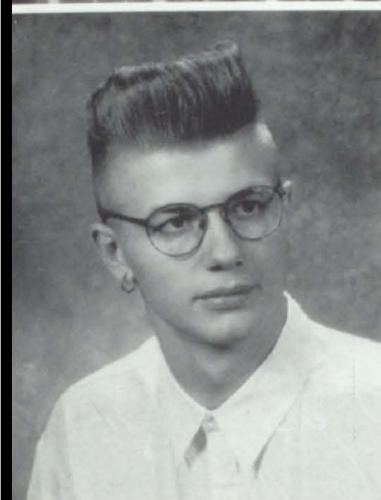
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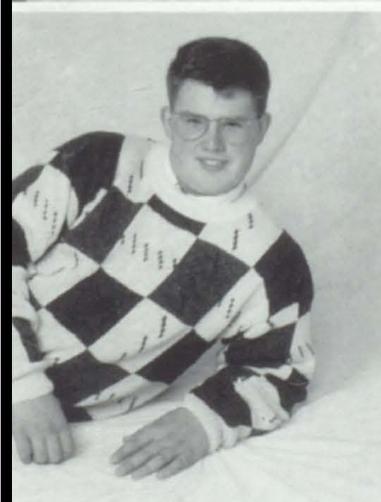
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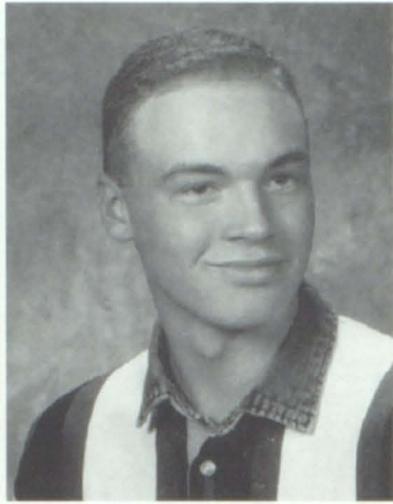
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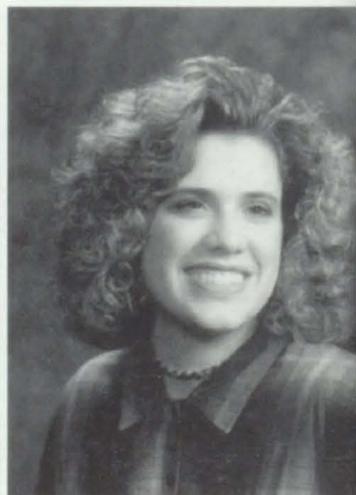
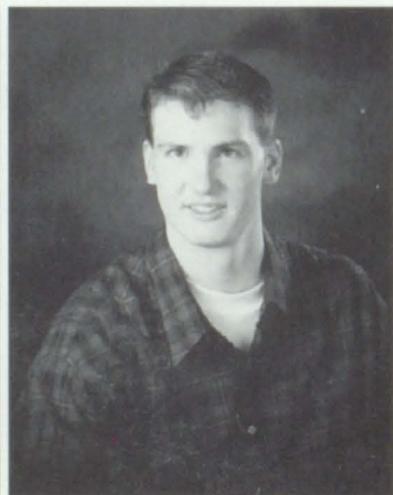
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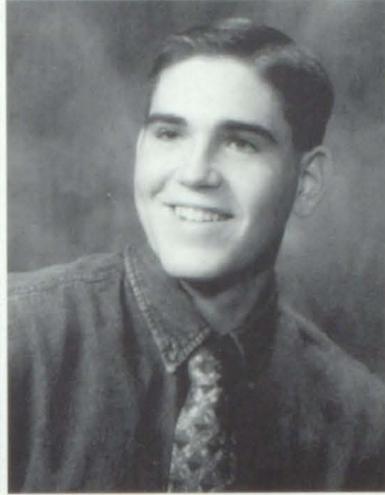
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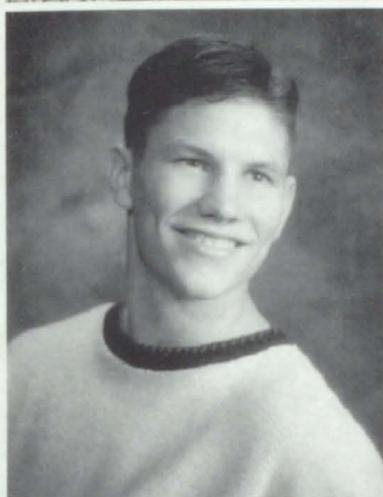




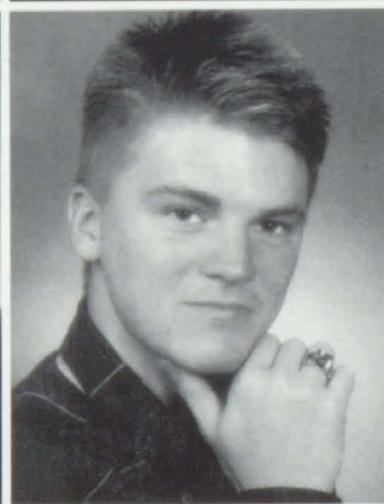
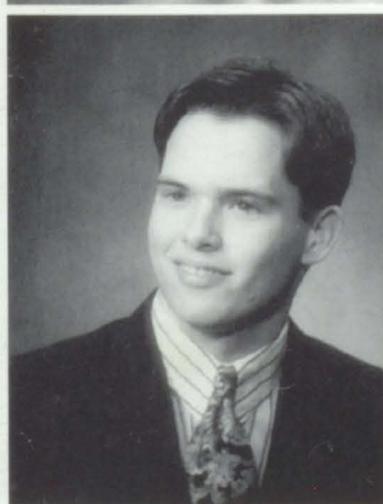
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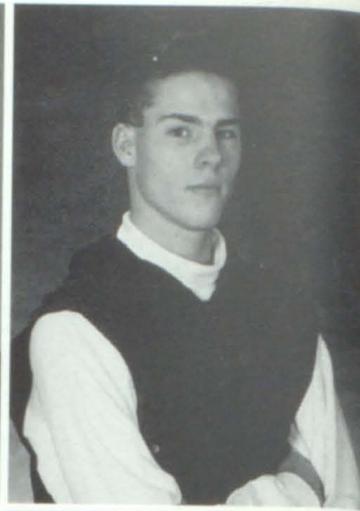
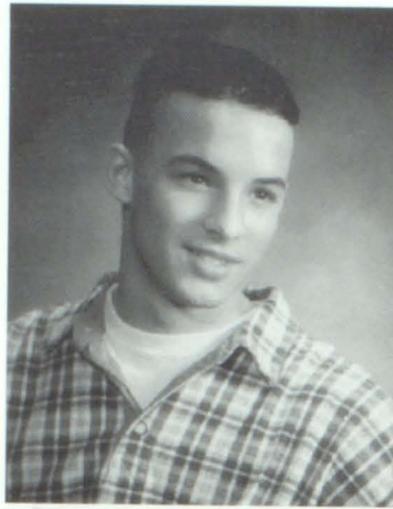
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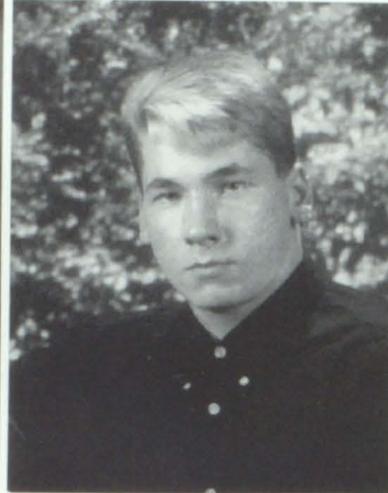
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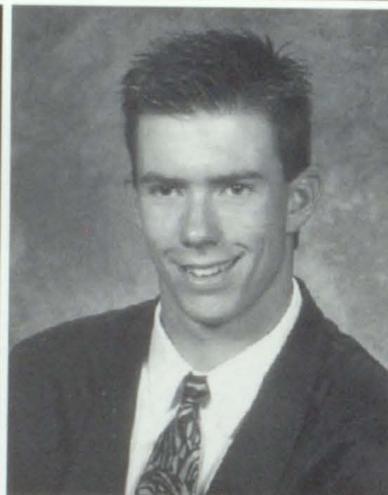
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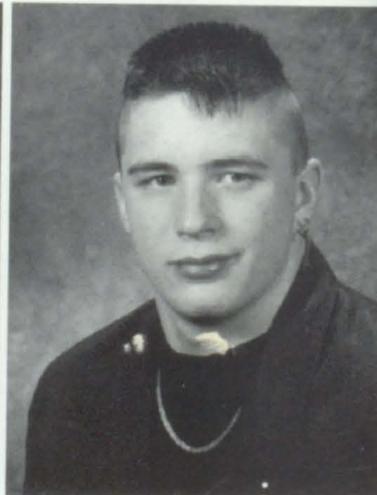
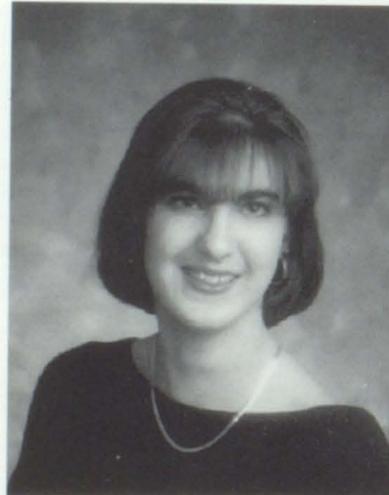
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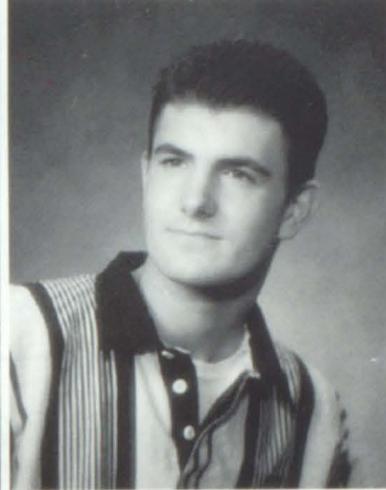
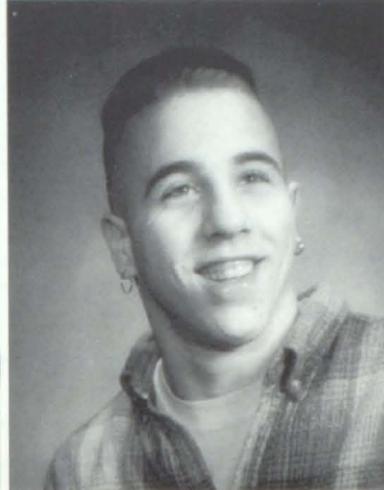




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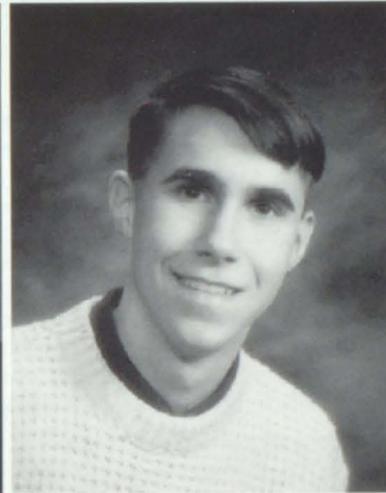
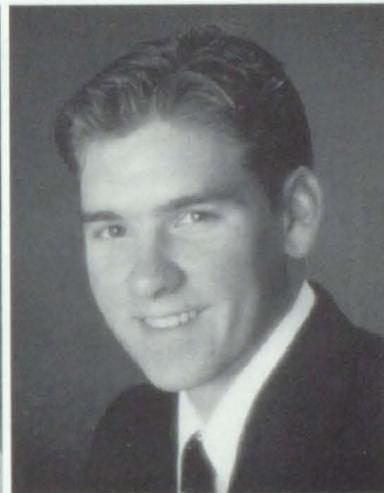
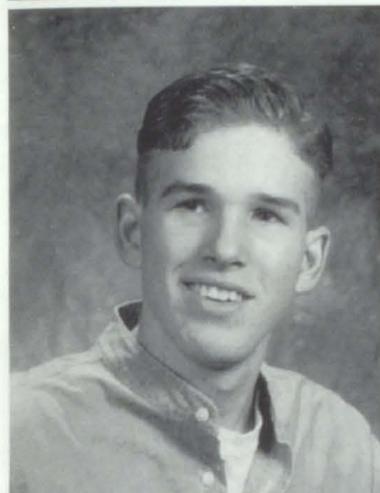
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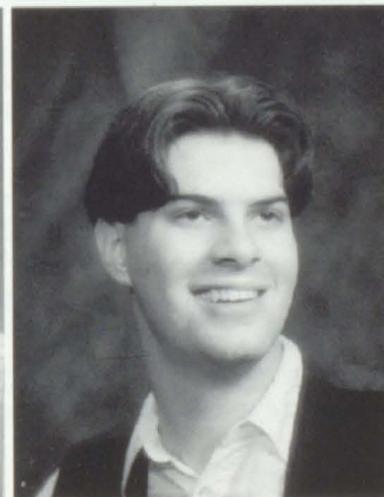
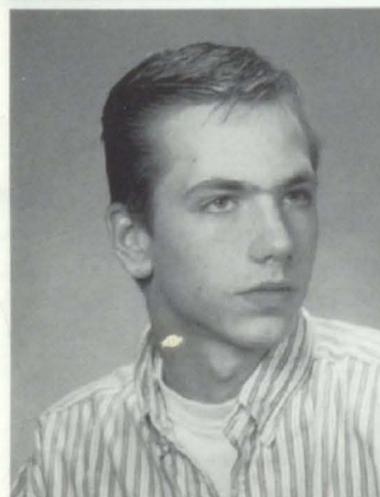
Matthew Widmer



Derrick Wilson

Joshua Winter

Jason Wirtz



Thomas Worm

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Jeffrey Ziermann



Rachel Zimmerman

Seniors Not Pictured:

- Katie Anderson
- Jeremy Boll
- Heather Dressel
- Augie Herling
- Elizabeth Koosmann
- Ryan Ziemis



Baseball Strike Cancels Series

Seven hundred fifty members of the Major League Players Association began a long-dreaded strike over financial issues in August of 1994, the 8th stoppage since 1972. Although the strike was finally resolved in March of 1995, it caused the first-ever cancellation of a World Series.

News is everywhere, in our school, community, nation, and world. During the 1994-95 school year, we've seen three of our wrestlers go to state, St. Joseph's church under construction, new housing, and Woodstock '94. But there have also been many newsmaking events such as the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City, the earthquake in Japan, a baseball strike, and the O.J. Simpson case.



Above. Three wrestlers advanced to state competition this year: Jeff Ziermann, James Schilling, Shawn Wagener.

THE NEWS: SCHOOL, COMMUNITY,

Mother Causes Young Sons to Drown

Susan Smith of Union County, S. C., showed up sobbing at a stranger's house, claiming a carjacker had stolen her car with her two little boys in it. Smith and her husband made a desperate plea on the **Today** show for help to find their sons.

After police detected flaws in Smith's story, she finally admitted her crime. According to Smith, she had contemplated killing herself and her two young sons. However, as she planned to roll her car into a lake, she changed her mind, but watched the car sink into the water with her two children strapped into the back seat. The nation was outraged at her crime, and she is now in prison, possibly facing the death penalty.

O. J. Simpson Case Fascinates Nation

Sunday, June 12, 1994, ended in a way that would lead to the ultimate downfall of an American hero. Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman were found murdered outside of Nicole's condo in Los Angeles. Soon a suspect was found — O.J. Simpson, Nicole's ex-husband and a famous ex-football player. The motive appeared to be jealousy. Soon after, O. J. Simpson was put on trial, one destined to rivet the country's attention for months.

Though the outcome of the trial is not yet known, the trial kept Americans fascinated for months.



Above. New housing is a common sight in Waconia.

Oklahoma City Government Building Bombed

On April 19, 1995, a truck containing a powerful home-made bomb blew up the federal building in Oklahoma City. Half the building collapsed under the power of the bomb, trapping hundreds and killing 168 children and adults. A daycare center on the second floor was particularly hard hit. Members of an anti-government militant militia group appeared to be responsible for the bombing.



Mrs. Phyllis Lehrke announced her decision to retire at the end of the 1994-95 school year. Mrs. Lehrke, whose teaching career spanned 44 years (32 in Waconia), is affectionately regarded as a dedicated, compassionate teacher by both students and staff. Best known for her foods and other home ec classes, Mrs. Lehrke also generated enthusiasm in her FLA'ers who repeatedly achieved state and national recognition. Mrs. Lehrke will be missed.

Disabled Miss America Chosen

On September 17, 1994, the first disabled Miss America was chosen. Hearing impaired, Heather Whites-tone captured the crown and encouraged other disabled Americans to make their dreams come true.

Below. St. Joseph's Church in Waconia underwent expansion in 1994-95.



Sadly, the Class of 1995 lost a classmate, **Chad Lehrke**, on July 15, 1995, in an auto accident.

DEATHS

Richard Nixon, 81

Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, 64

Kurt Cobain, 27

Jessica Tandy, 85

Jeffrey Dahmer, 34

Rose Kennedy, 104

Alzheimer's Hits Ronald Reagan

On November 5, 1994, Ronald Reagan announced through a letter that although he felt "fine," he had been diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease, an incurable brain disorder that gradually renders its victims incapacitated and eventually results in their deaths.

NATIONAL, WORLD



Above. FLA members advancing to national competition in Washington, D.C. — back: Celyn Oakman, Craig Peterson, Elizabeth Roebke, Paul Rohlik. Front: Shona Hoops, Meghan Foley.

Tabloid Journalism Leads to Murder

Tabloid journalism, the sensationalizing of lurid topics on television talk shows, led to the murder of Scott Amedure after a **Jenny Jones** program mortified Jon Schmitz when Amedure revealed on television that he had a crush on Schmitz. Schmitz killed Amedure when he couldn't deal with the embarrassment.

Republicans Take Control of Congress

After the November election of 1994, the Republican party took control of both houses of Congress, and Newt Gingrich became the first Republican Speaker of the House since 1954. Democratic President Bill Clinton found himself opposed by a predominantly Republican Congress.

Earthquake Devastates Kobe, Japan

On January 17, 1995, a 7.2 tremor ravaged the sixth largest city in Japan. The earthquake in Kobe collapsed houses, wrecked roadways, ignited fires, destroyed ports, and left an estimated 5,000 people dead. 300,000 people were left homeless; 25,000 were injured; and 50,000 buildings were destroyed. Damage was estimated at \$50 billion.

350,000 Attend Woodstock '94

Woodstock '94 was a round-the-clock rock. Cheers of more than 350,000 fans were not even muffled by sheets of rain and rivers of mud. The concert goers got their money's worth as they spent their weekend sloshing in what became an 840-acre litter-strewn bog. The participants departed muddy, yet peacefully, at the end of the weekend.



SENIOR FAVORITES

NUMBER

1. 7
2. 13
3. 69

HANGOUT

1. Fish Houses
2. Friends' houses
3. Subway

SODA

1. Mountain Dew
2. Dr. Pepper
3. Cherry Coke

CANDY

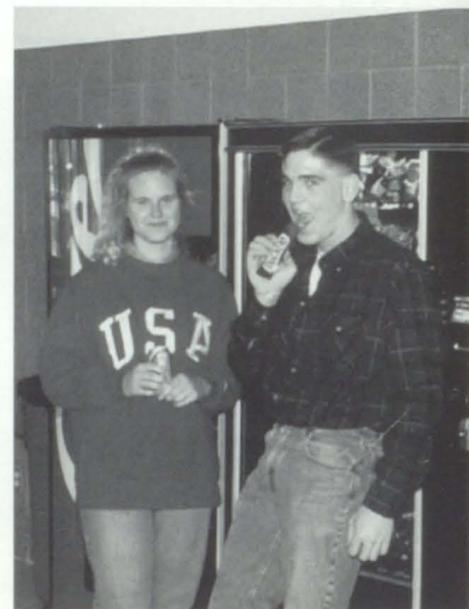
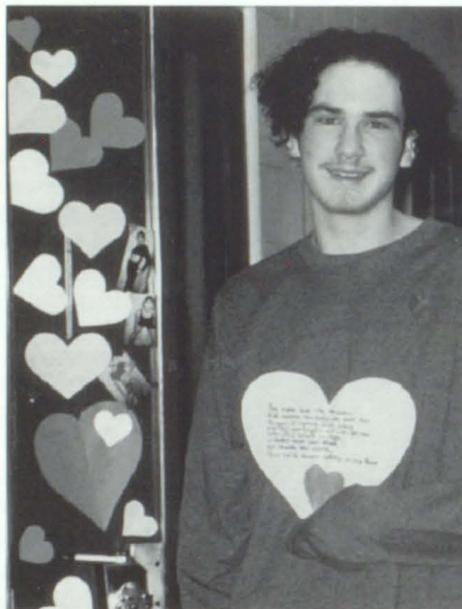
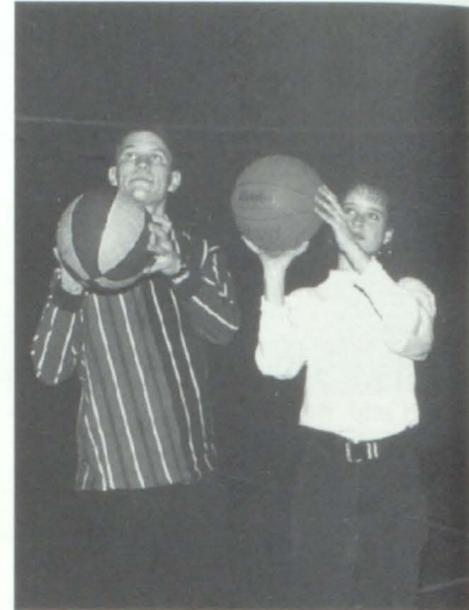
1. Snickers
2. Suckers
3. Laffy Taffy

FOOD

1. Pizza
2. Tacos
3. Pasta

RESTAURANT

1. Taco Bell
2. Chi Chi's
3. McDonald's



Clockwise from top left. Mark Rissell, Nathan Rademacher, Traci Ittel, Fred Radde, Amanda Oswald, Uri Houg.

TOOTHPASTE

1. Crest
2. Colgate
3. Aqua Fresh

HOLIDAY

1. Christmas
2. New Year's
3. Valentine's Day

TOY/GAME

1. Twister
2. Sega Genesis
3. Cribbage

PASTIME

1. Partying
2. Sleeping
3. Fishing



SPORT

1. Basketball
2. Football
3. Baseball



MOVIE

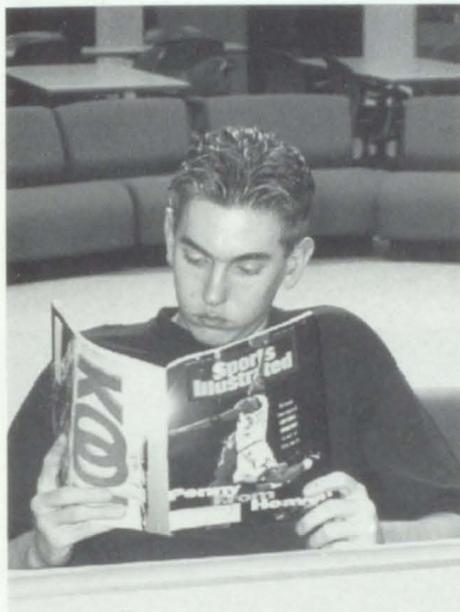
1. Higher Learning
2. Forrest Gump
3. Speed

ACTOR

1. Brad Pitt
2. Keanu Reeves
3. Tom Hanks

ACTRESS

1. Julia Roberts
2. Meg Ryan
3. Jodie Foster



TV SHOW

1. Married with Children
2. Home Improvement
3. My So-Called Life

MUSIC GROUP

1. Boys II Men
2. Nine Inch Nails
3. Green Day

Clockwise from top left. Nola Devine, Alice Murray, Roz O'Fallon, Amy Stevens, Derrick Wilson, Mike Elling.

COMIC

1. Far Side
2. Garfield
3. Calvin and Hobbes

MAGAZINE

1. Sports Illustrated
2. People
3. YM

SONG

1. You Don't Know How It Feels
2. Closer
3. I'll Make Love to You



SENIOR CLASS POLL

Worst Joke Teller: Jerrod Hucky

Most Talkative: Sheila Rademacher



Best Actor: Cara Radde, Jeff Cloninger

Best Musician: Laura Brahee, Andy Kerber



Class Clown: Jenny Oscarson, Jerrod Hucky

Craziest Laugh: Sheila Rademacher, Andy Engelhart



Quietest: Amanda Oswald, Marshall Mittelstaedt

Friendliest: Uri Houg, Amber Christenson





Left. Teacher's Pet: Jesse Roush, Laura Brahee

Left. Biggest Flirt: Lindsey Lehrke, Rich Bierlein

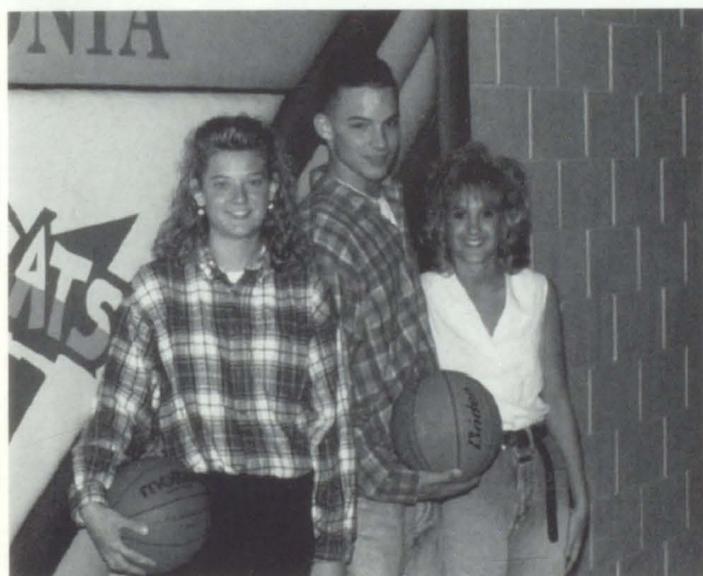
Below. Cutest Pair: Holly Caviness, Andy Engelhart

Below. Cutest Couple: Shelley Bergmann, Ryan Schultz



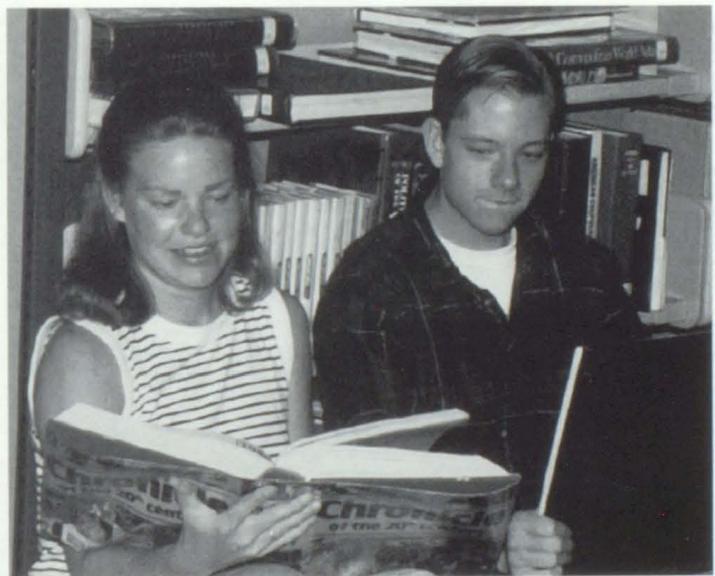
Cutest Smile: Jesse Roush, Teri Lind

Cutest Eyes: Andy Larsen, Teri Lind



Most Athletic: Jessica Radde, Jesse Roush

Best Dressed: Jenna Elling, Jesse Roush

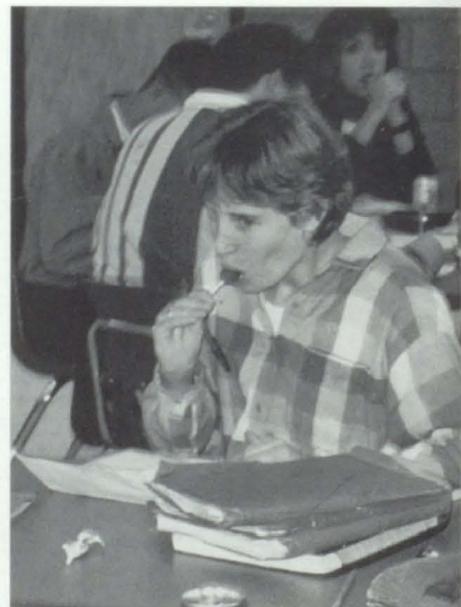
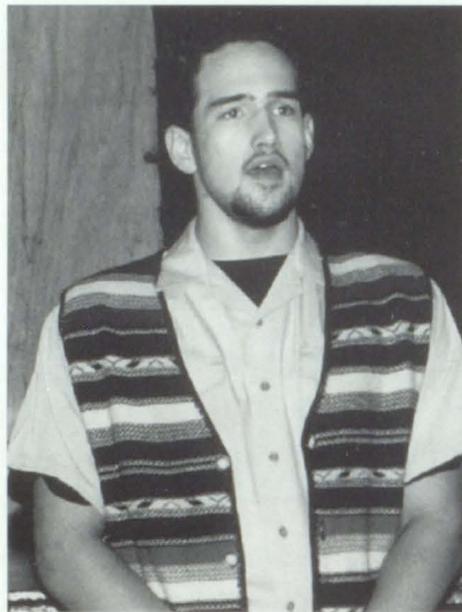
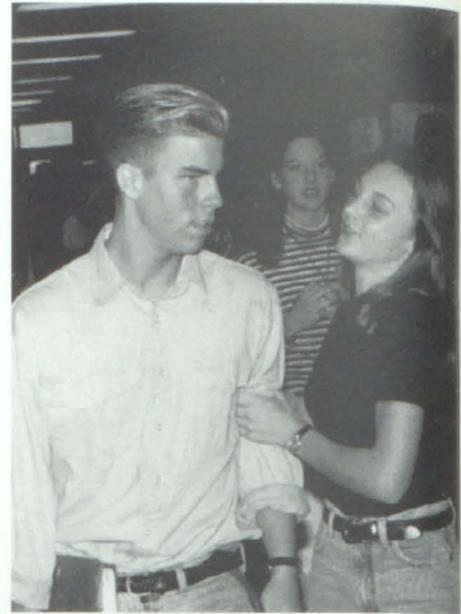


Most Studious: Laura Brahee, Jeff Cloninger

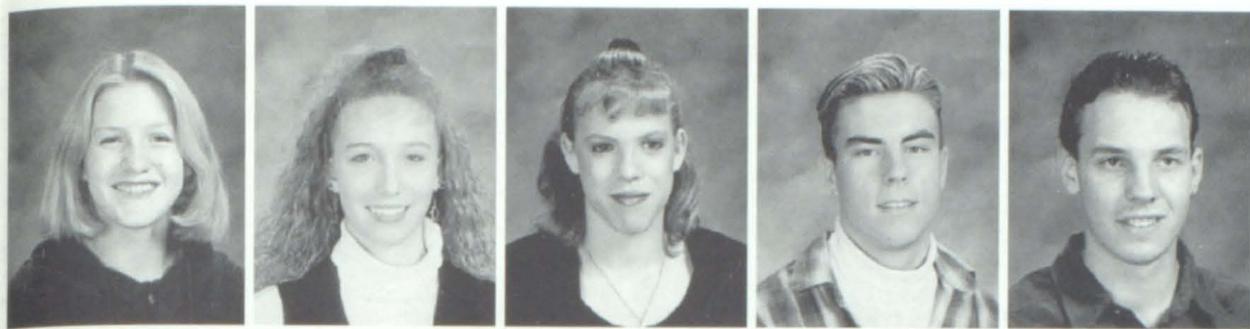
Most Likely to Succeed: Laura Brahee, Jeff Cloninger



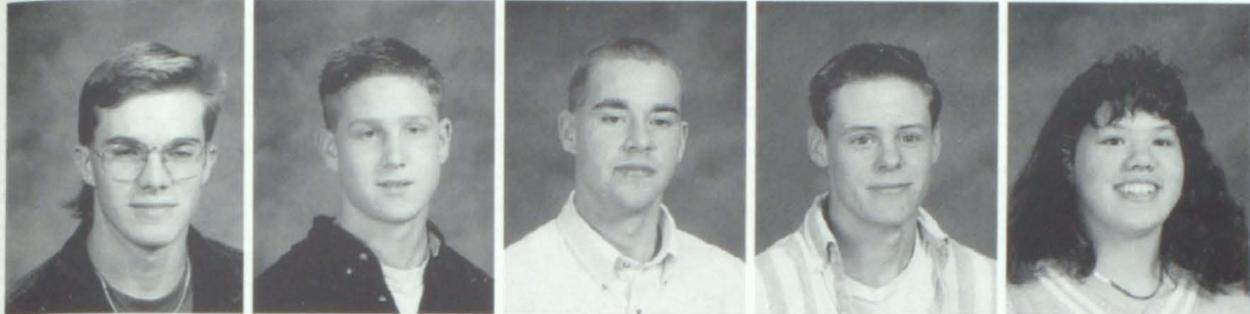
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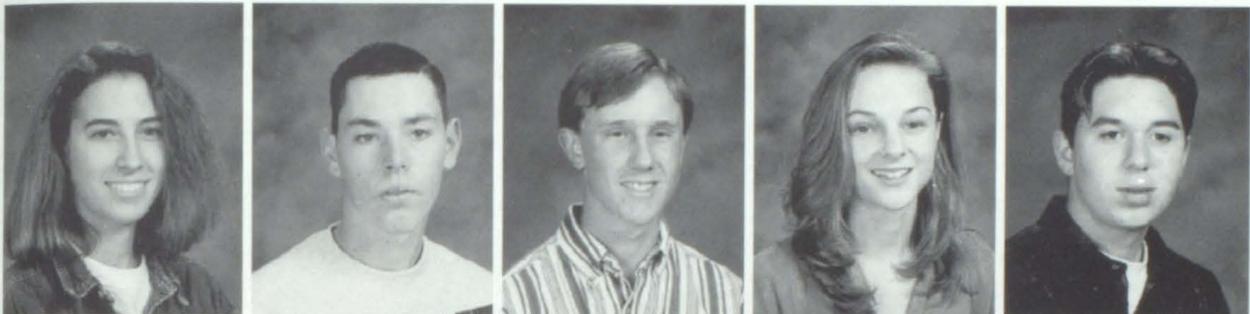
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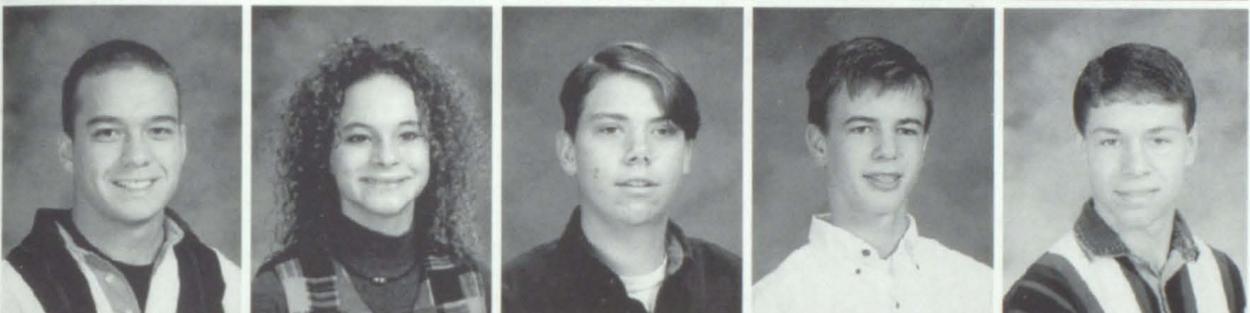
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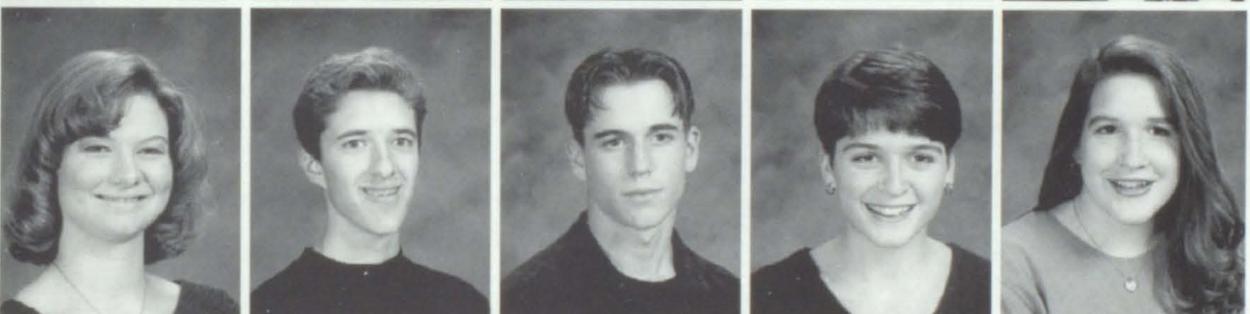
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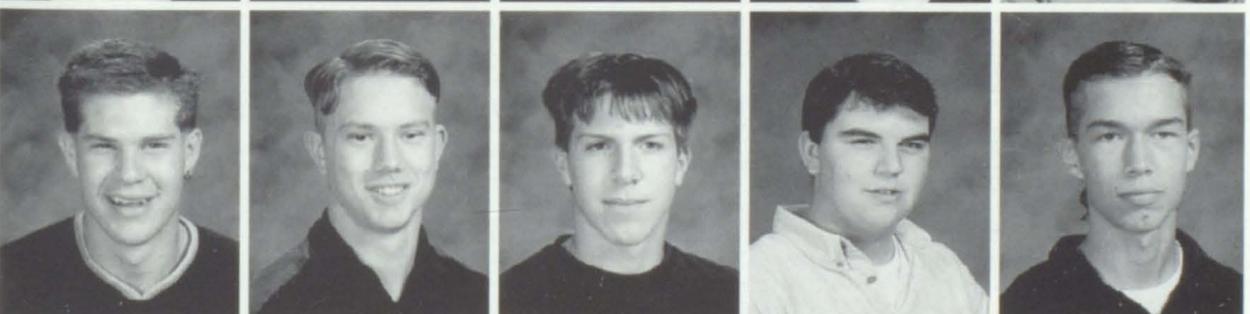
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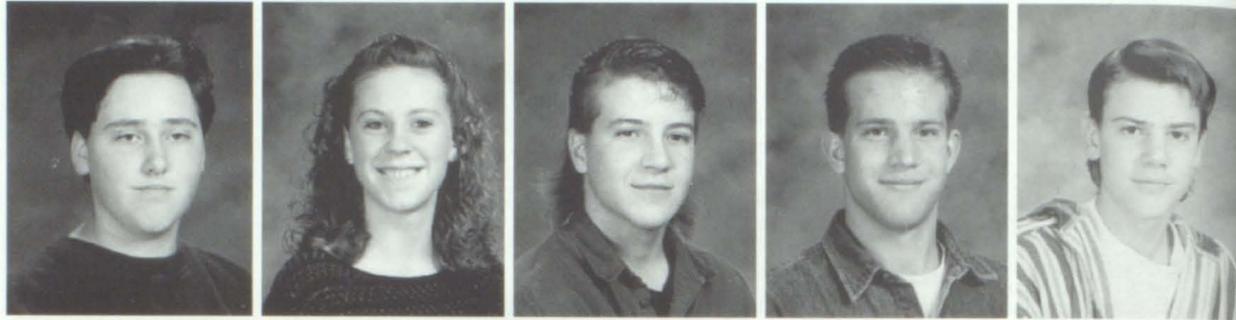
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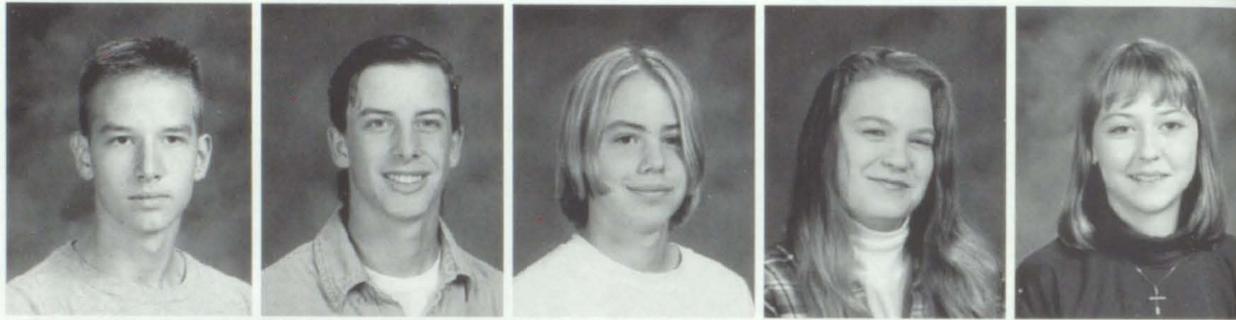
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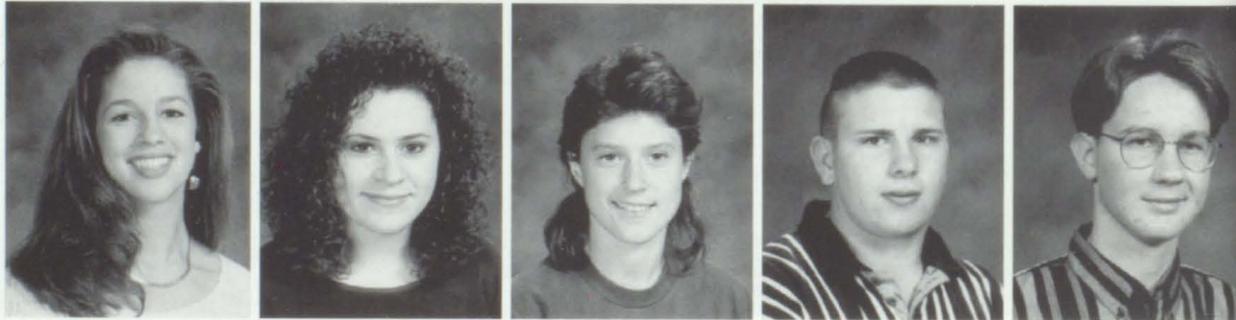
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 Jill Lee
 Rebekah Leppard
 Michael Lewis
 Shawn Linton



Mr. Lind Tries on New Hat before Retiring

After 26 years in the Waconia schools, principal Robert Lind retired in January of 1995. Before leaving, however, he spent the last year in a different position, as coordinator of the new high school building project.

During his career in Waconia, he

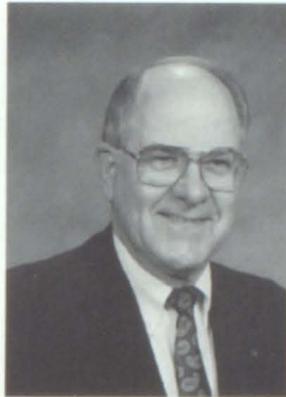
served as junior high principal, assistant high school principal, and eventually senior high school principal.

His favorite memories of his years at WHS are the people — “students, administrators, teachers, staff, board

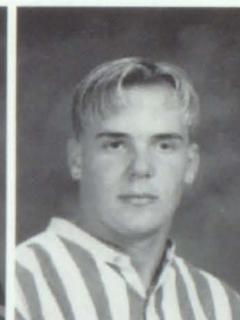
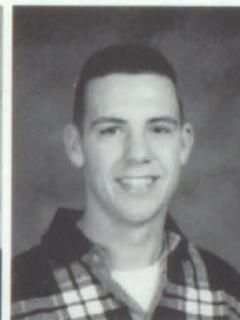
members, parents.” He also remembers the willingness of WHS to change. He saw the school try modular scheduling, four-block, and traditional scheduling, always trying “to improve the teaching/learning process.” He also enjoyed the success and enthusiasm of all the extra-curricular activities over the years.

As he donned a new “hat” during the past year, he described the most rewarding part of the experience as “being heavily involved in a high profile project that created so much excitement and anticipation. To top it off, the completed project is a beautiful, high quality, state of the art facility, and it was built within budget.”

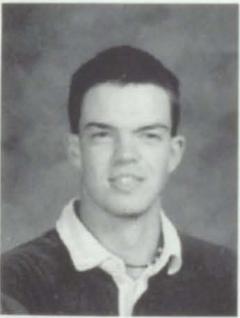
In his retirement, he’s looking forward to “travel; time for family, friends, and reading; seeking new adventures and activities; maybe a second career.”



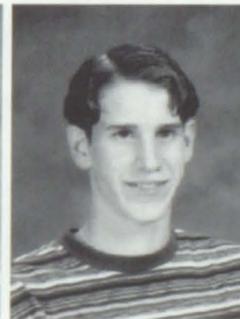
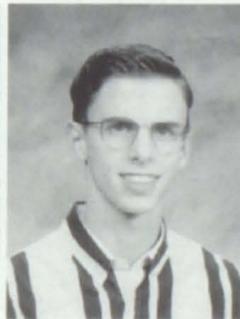
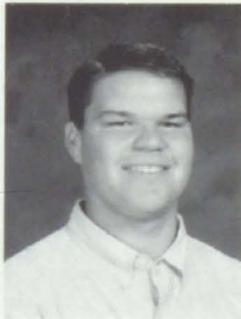
Left. Mr. Lind examines blueprints as construction continues.



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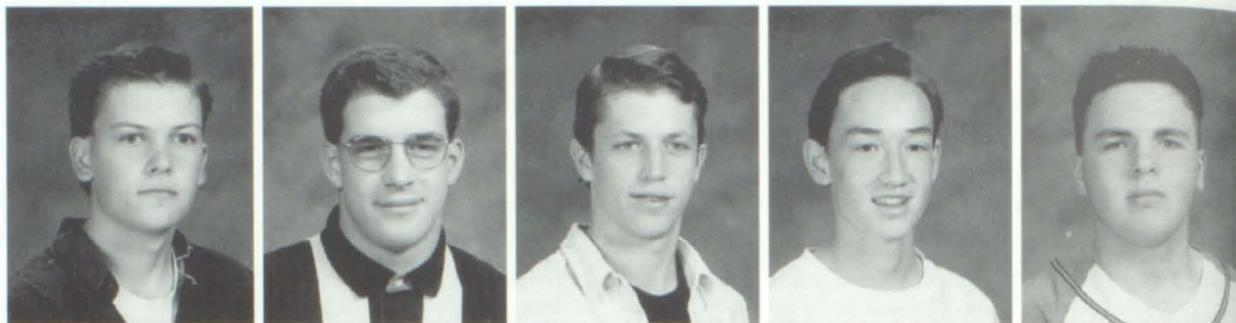
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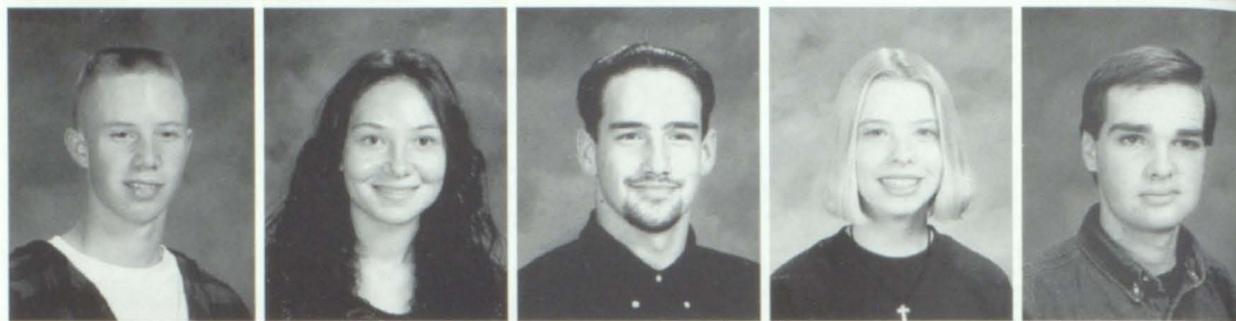
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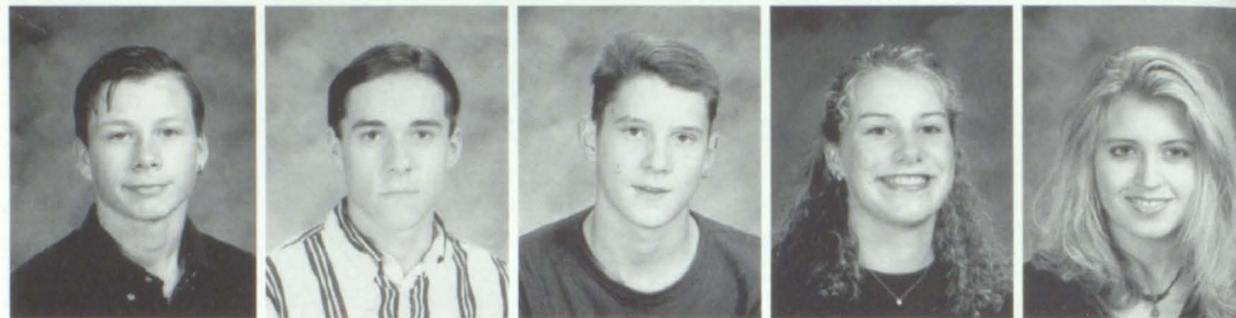
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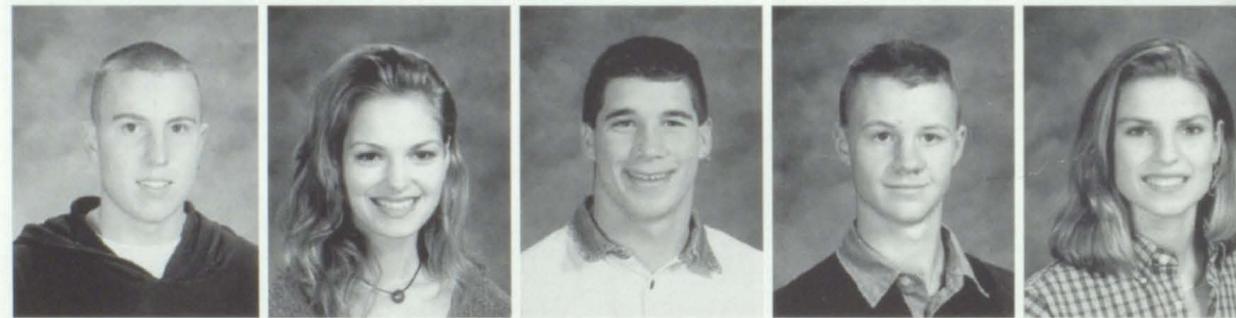
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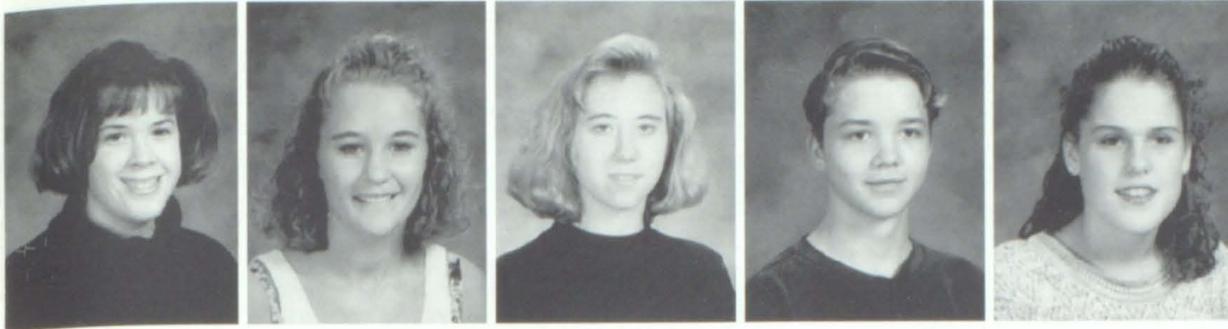


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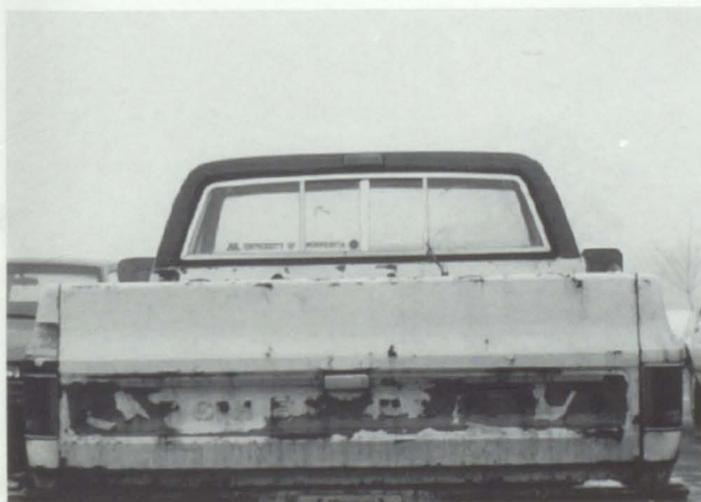
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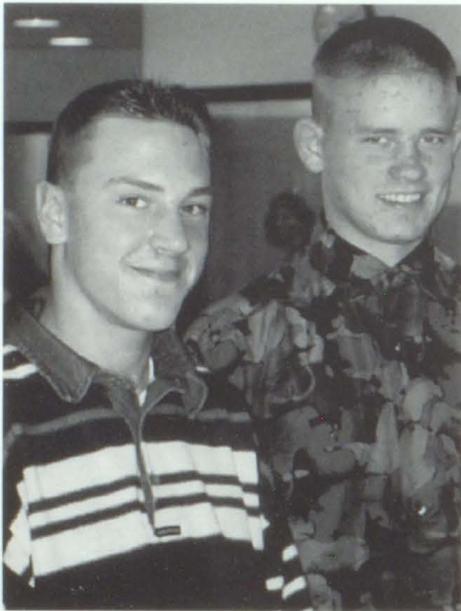
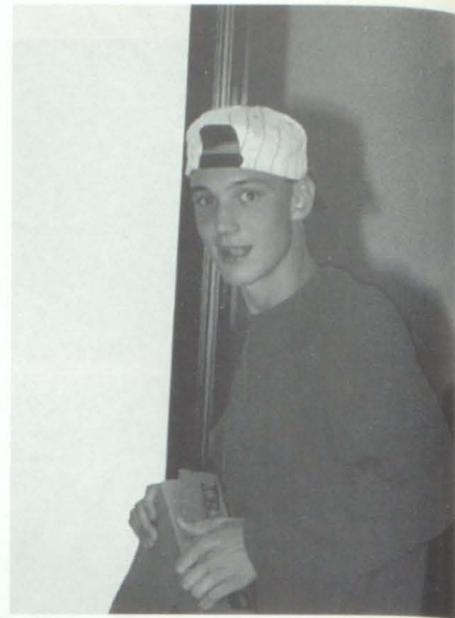
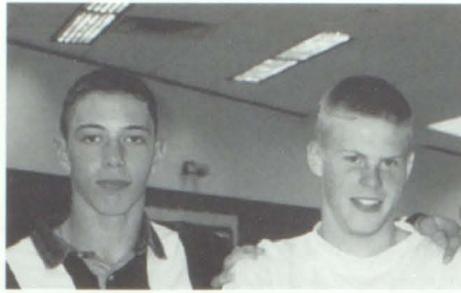
Catmobiles

A variety of vehicles can be found parked in the student parking lot (clockwise from top left):

1. This Honda apparently met an immovable object.
2. This Cutlass Supreme seems to be suffering from terminal rust.
3. This truck will never get lost in the dark.
4. This car needs its owner to decide on a color.
5. It appears that the license plate is holding this truck together.
6. This stylin' car shows where it's coming from.



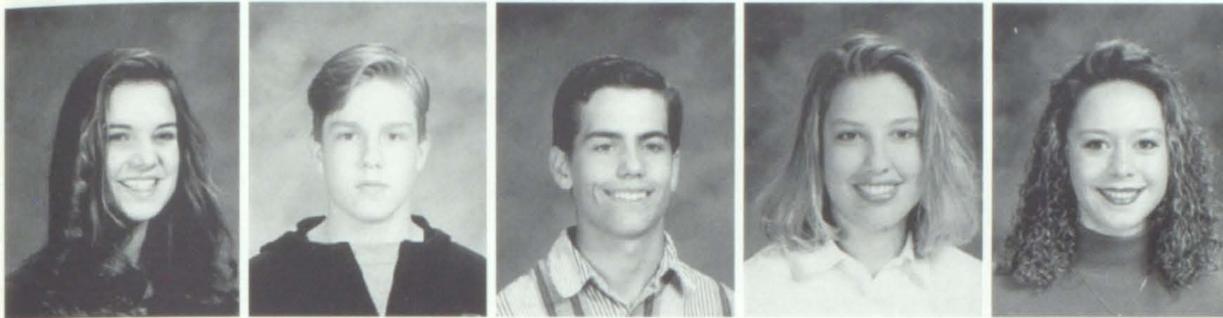
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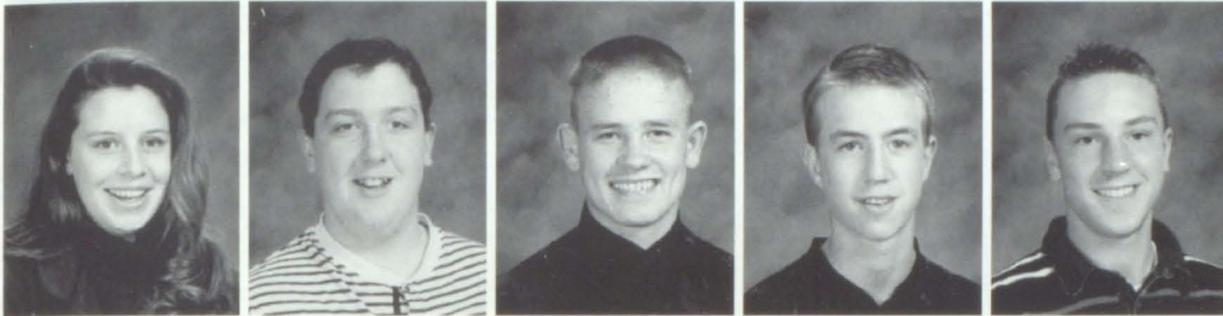
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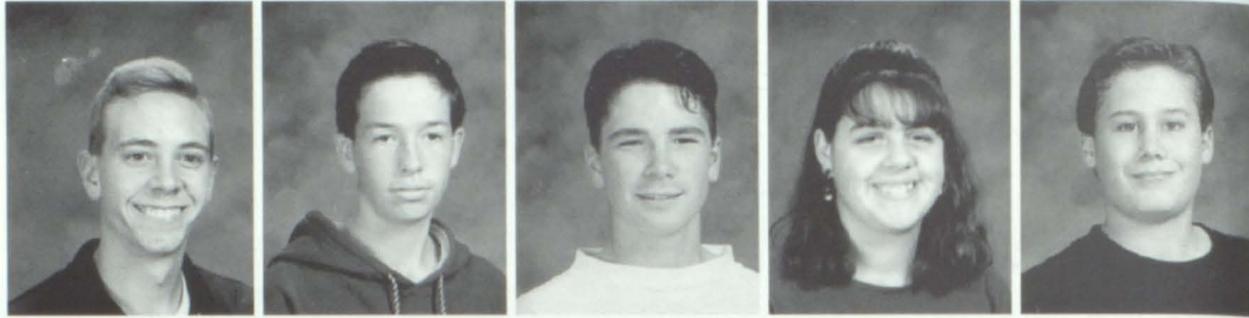
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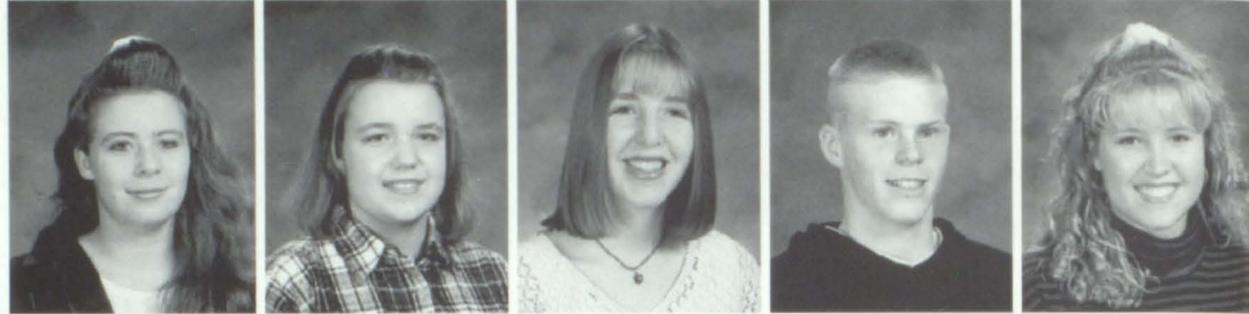
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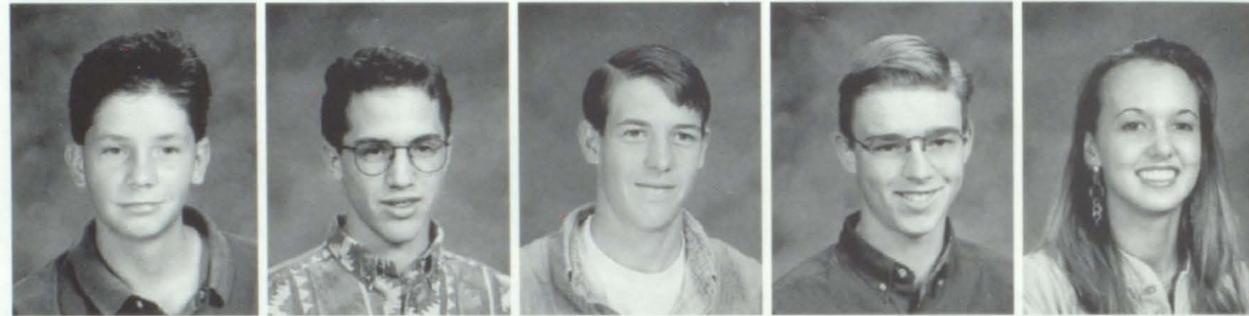
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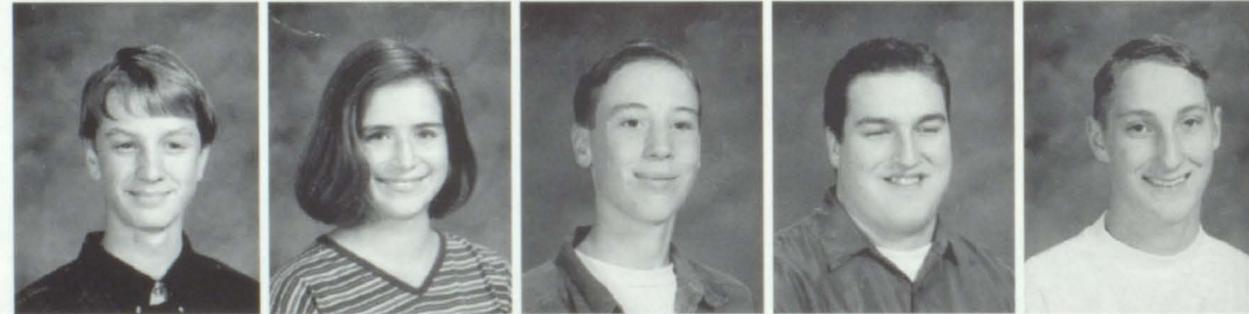
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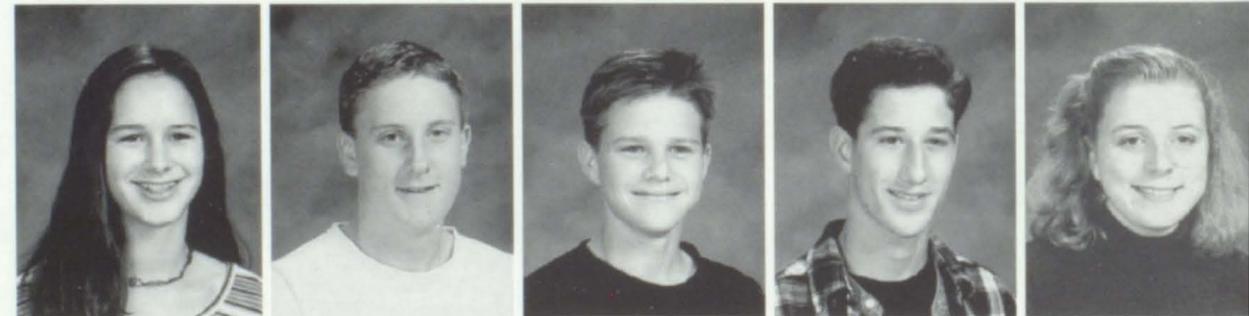
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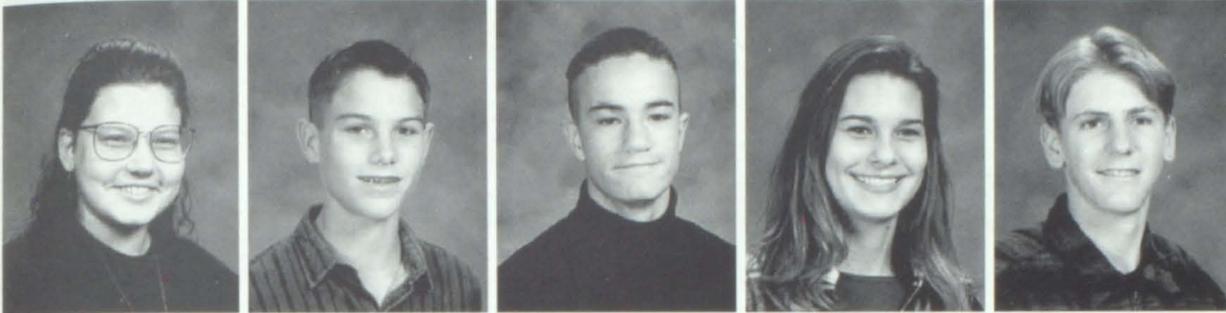


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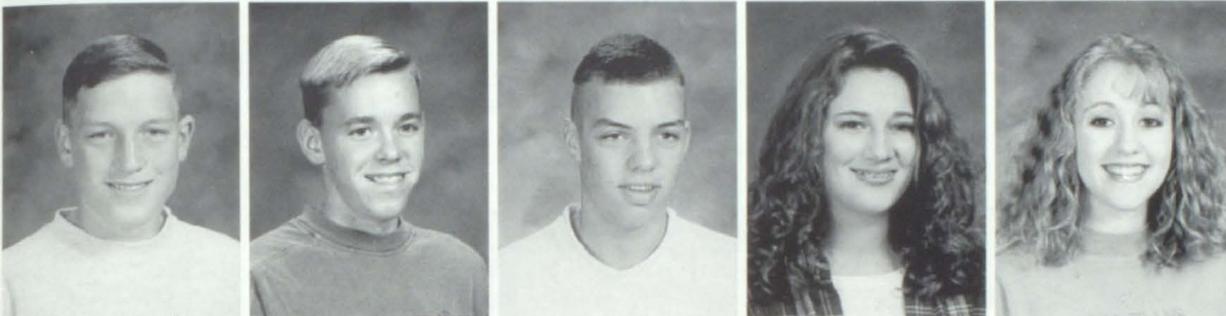




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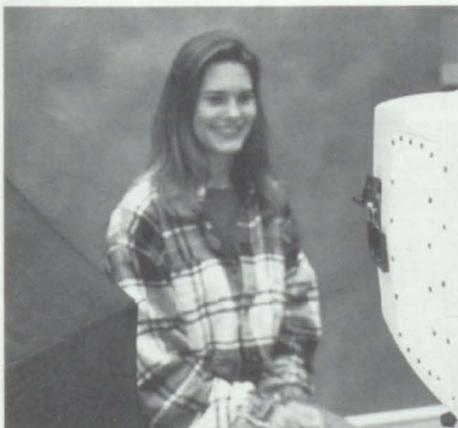
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'Cats' Groom for Photos

These freshly groomed "Cats" are ready for their image to be captured for the 1995 **Pawprints**. Picture day is very traumatic at Waconia High School. Students have to pick the perfect outfit, take extra time to style their hair, and select the necessary accessories.

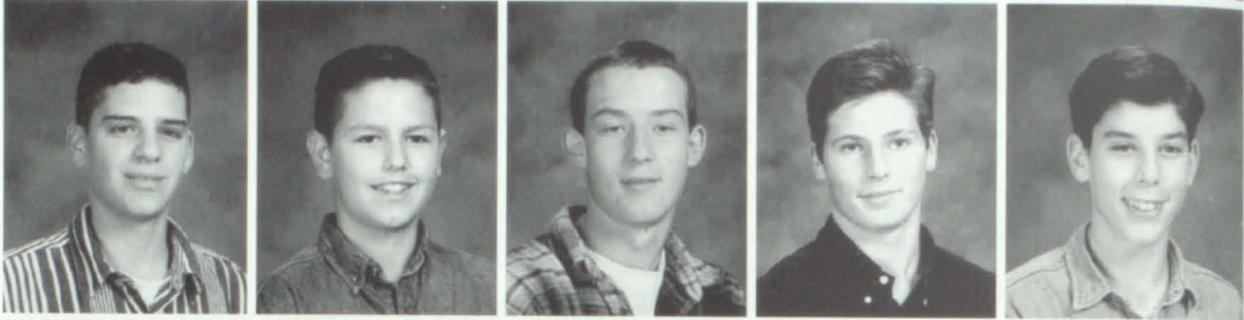
In the upper left hand photo, Jamie Zehnder, Karly Anderson, Mariah Davis, and Jenny Bartholow get ready for their pictures to be taken. In the upper right photo, Josh Pauly and Tom Gerding try to ease their friends' pain of getting their photos taken. In the lower photos, Jessa Mackenthun and Matt Hoelz each strike a pose for the camera.



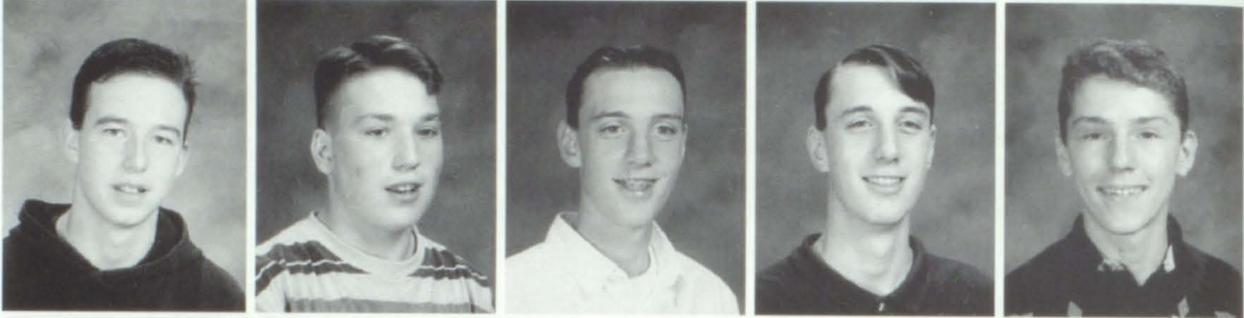
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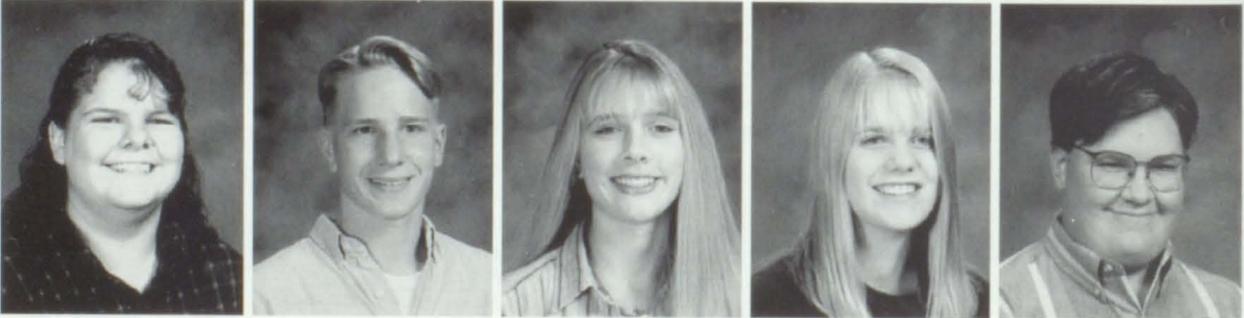
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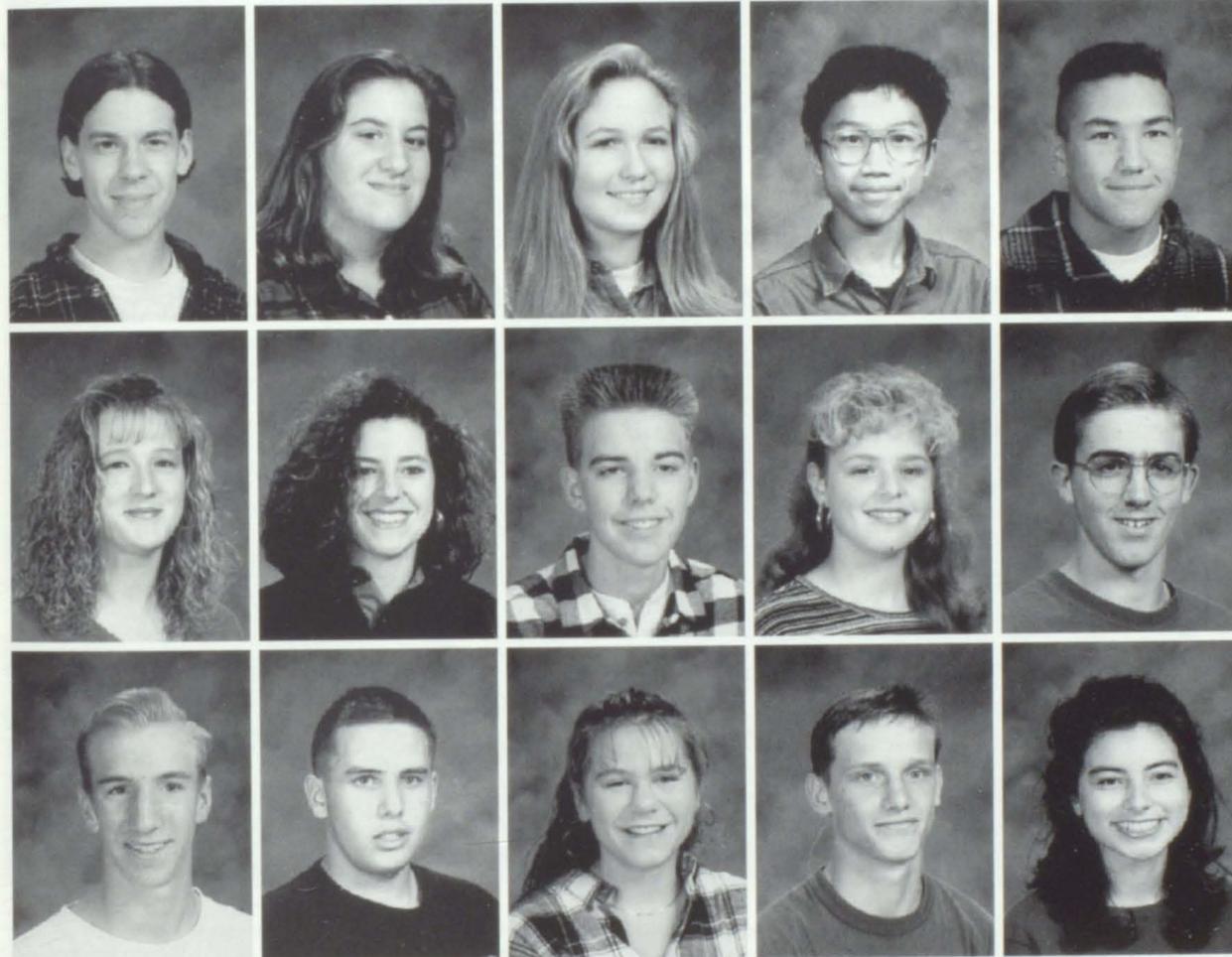
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'Cat'Napping WHS Style

Many students at Waconia High School find it hard to stay awake after long nights of studying, cramming for tests, school activities, and sports. Often students put off homework and studying to spend time with friends, or just good old fashioned partying is another reason students can't seem to stay awake. Some students also have the excuse that they worked late at a job the night before. Jeremy Broyles is just one example of the many students that have either studied, practiced, worked, or partied too hard.



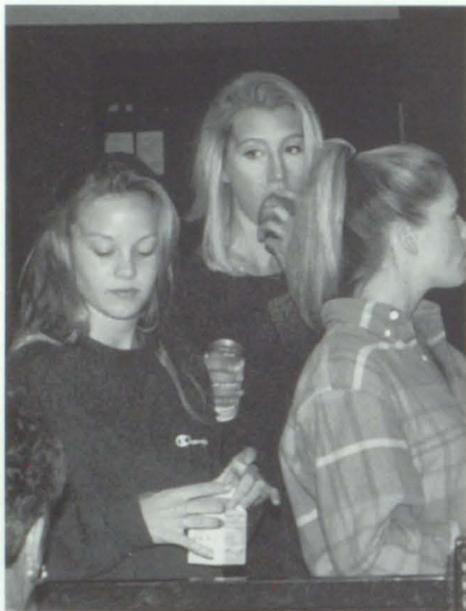
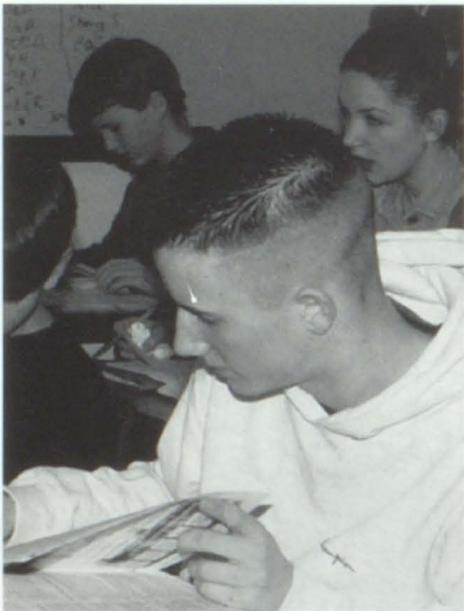
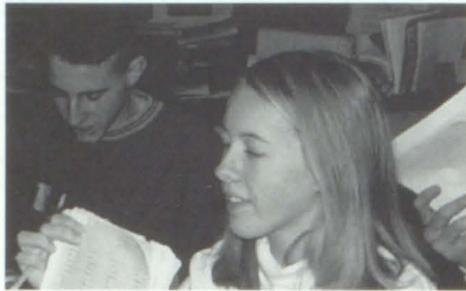
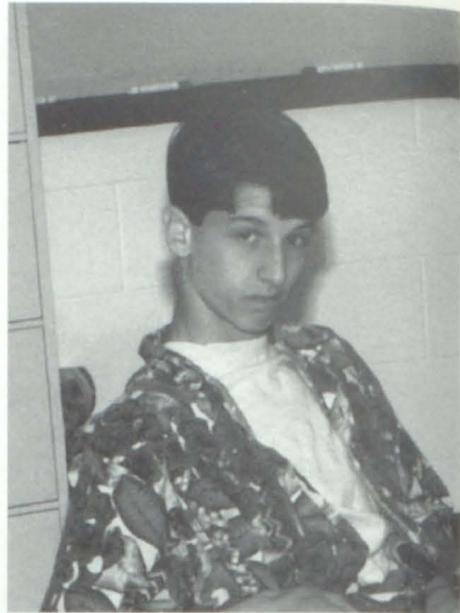
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Deborah Worm
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Freshmen '98



Clockwise from top left: Kelly Klosterman, Angela Hatz, Brock Dukhorn, Nate Braunwarth, Jesse Rightler, Adam Tschakert, Cody Roush, Chrissy Kerber, Lisa Sampson, Brittany Molnau, Celyn Oakman, Mike Wyatt, Rachel Jurek, Nate Pesch, Erin Shannon, Marin Fogerty, Emily Bodahl, Joe Wirtz, Sarah Grote.



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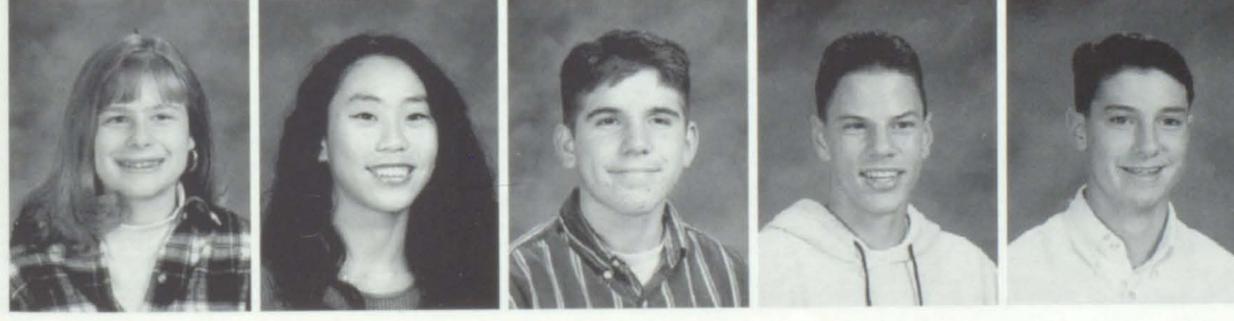
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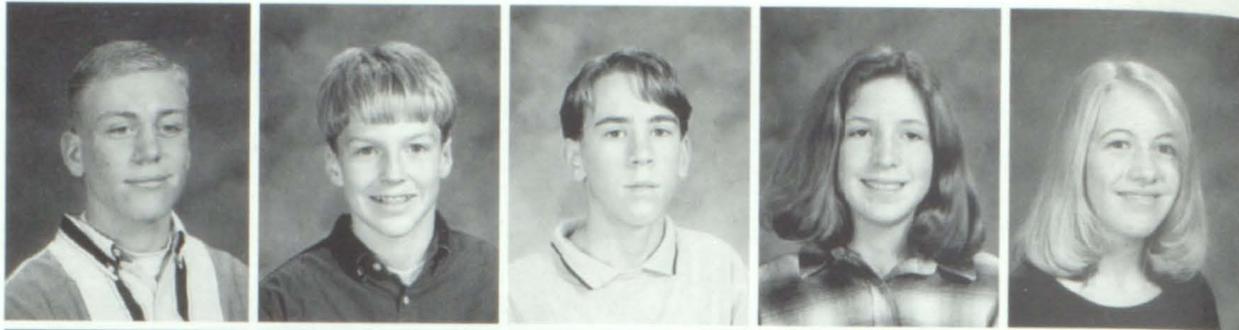
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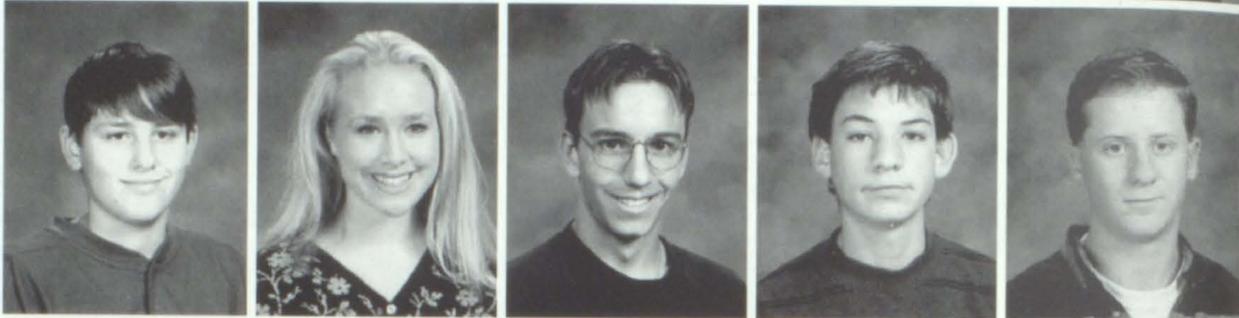
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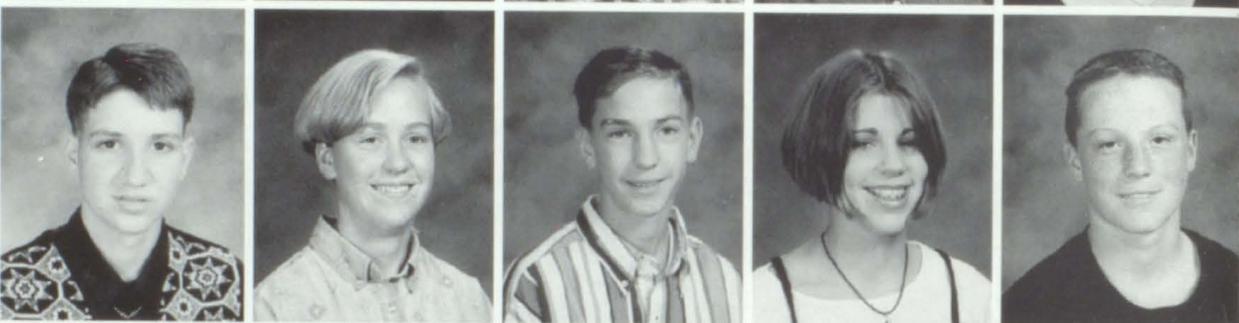
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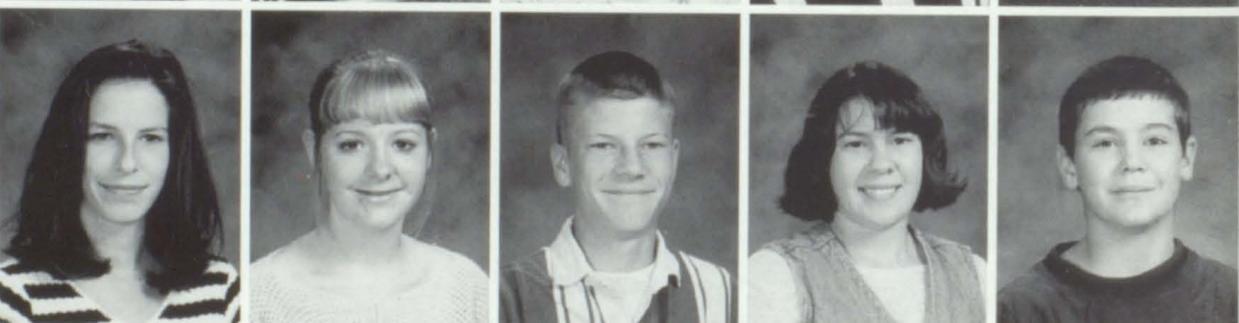
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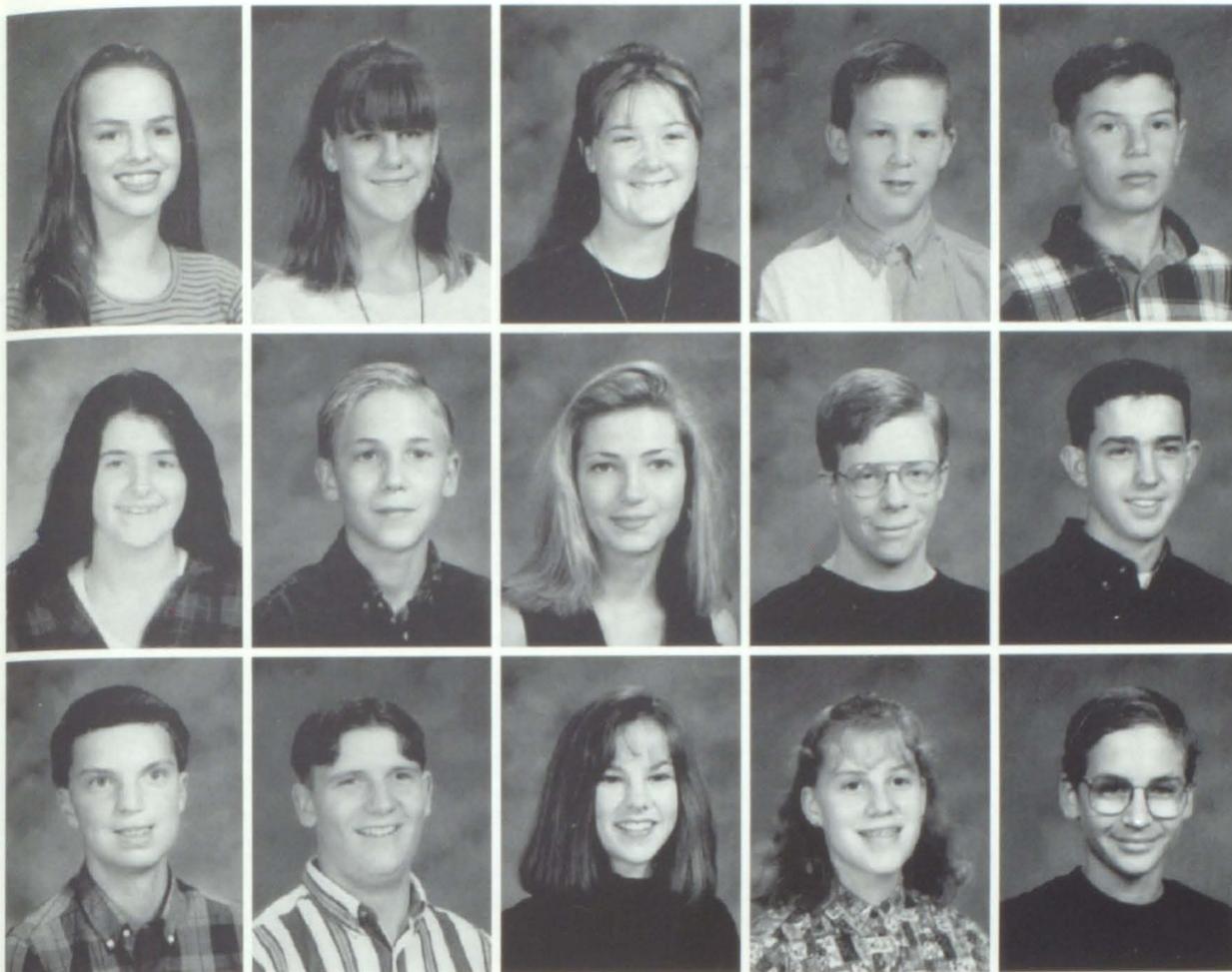


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Jessica Lee
 Andrea Leffler
 Bethany Leppard
 Matthew Logelin
 Mark Long

Nicole Lowy
 Dustin Lubitz
 Nicole Luse
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The Top Five Reasons to Be Scared to Start

High School

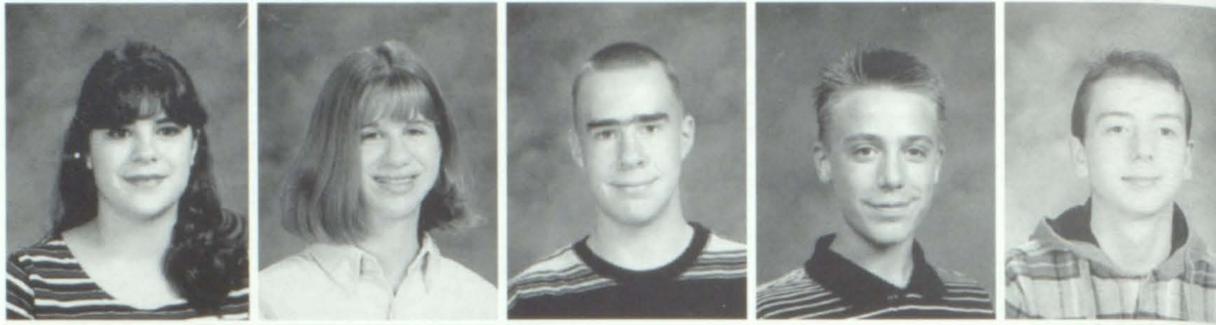
When surveyed, the freshman class gave these as their main reasons to be afraid to start high school:

1. Getting lost
2. Mean teachers
3. Being late
4. Not having classes with any friends
5. Not having any friends (rejection)

Hopefully, it did not take the class long to realize that their fears had no foundation!



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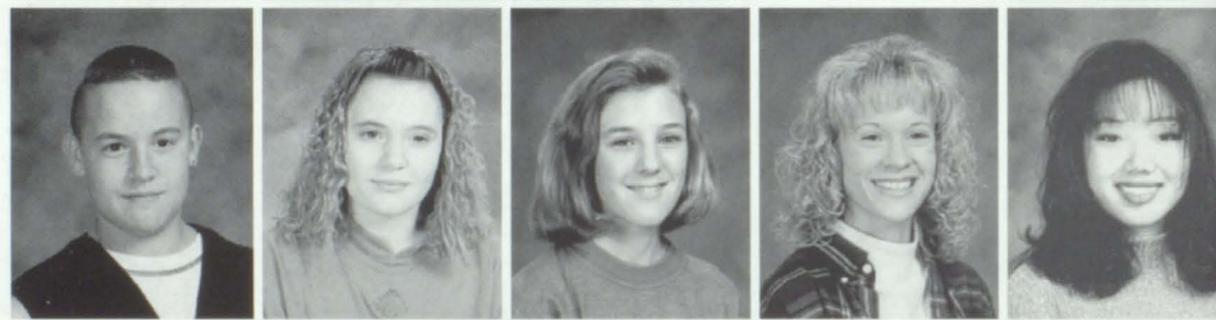
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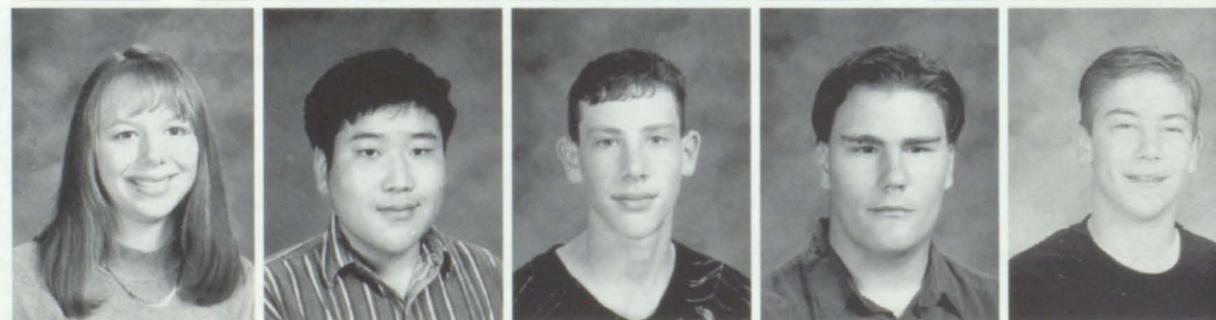
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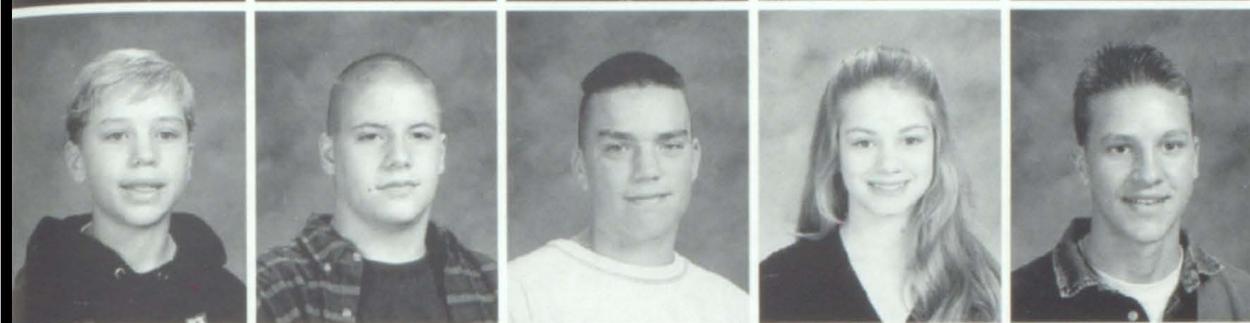


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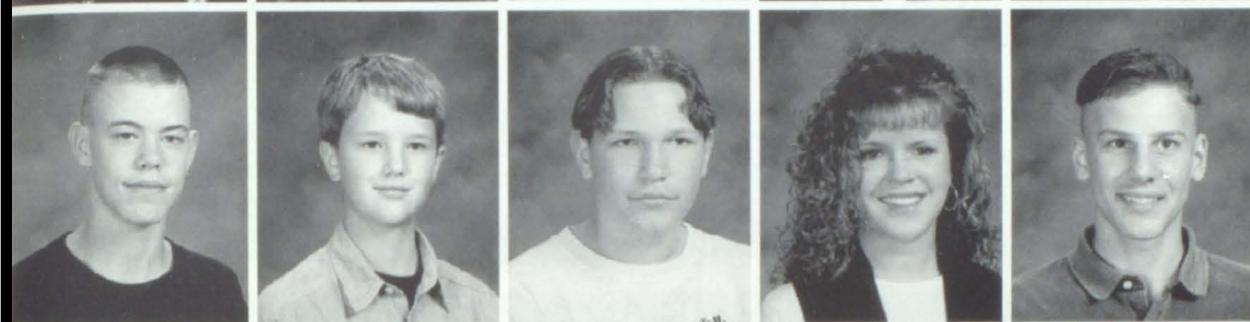




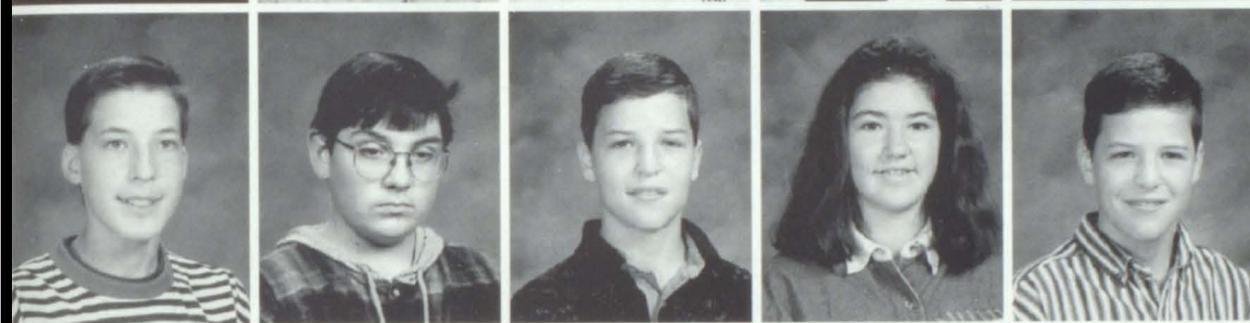
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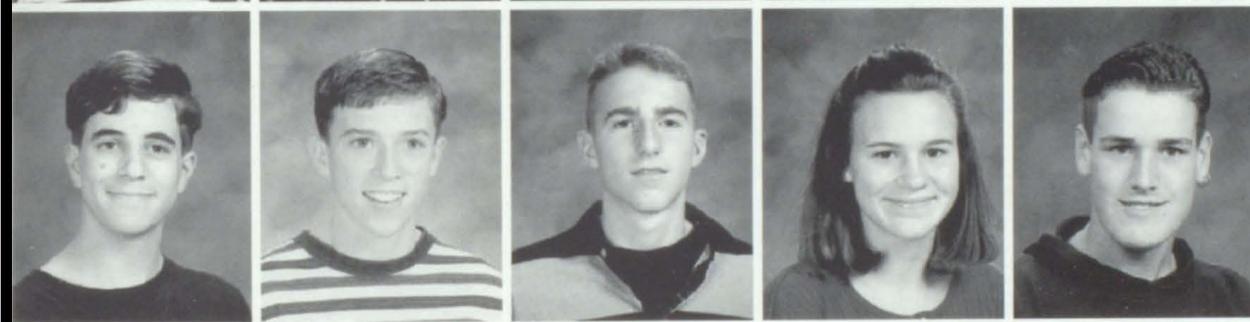
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Troy Wagener



Matthew Weinzierl
Nathan Wendlund
Joseph Wirtz
Molly Wulf
Michael Wyatt



Laura Zender

WILDCATS ROAM: ACADEMICS

In the new high school building, students find many places where their minds are challenged academically. Some of those places include the science labs, the foods lab, the physics lab, and the chemistry lab. People also spend time working in the computer labs and researching in the media center. Most importantly the students and faculty spend time in the classrooms, where the most significant learning takes place. It is in the classrooms that students learn the basics for all education. It is in the classrooms where students are asked questions that require them to think and evaluate what they have studied and to reach conclusions.



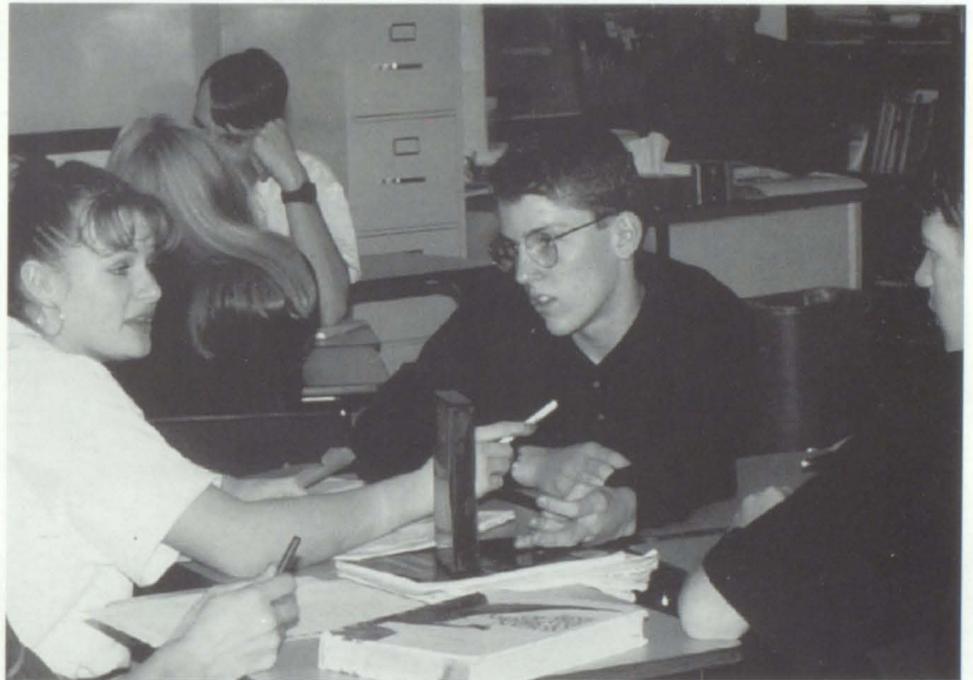
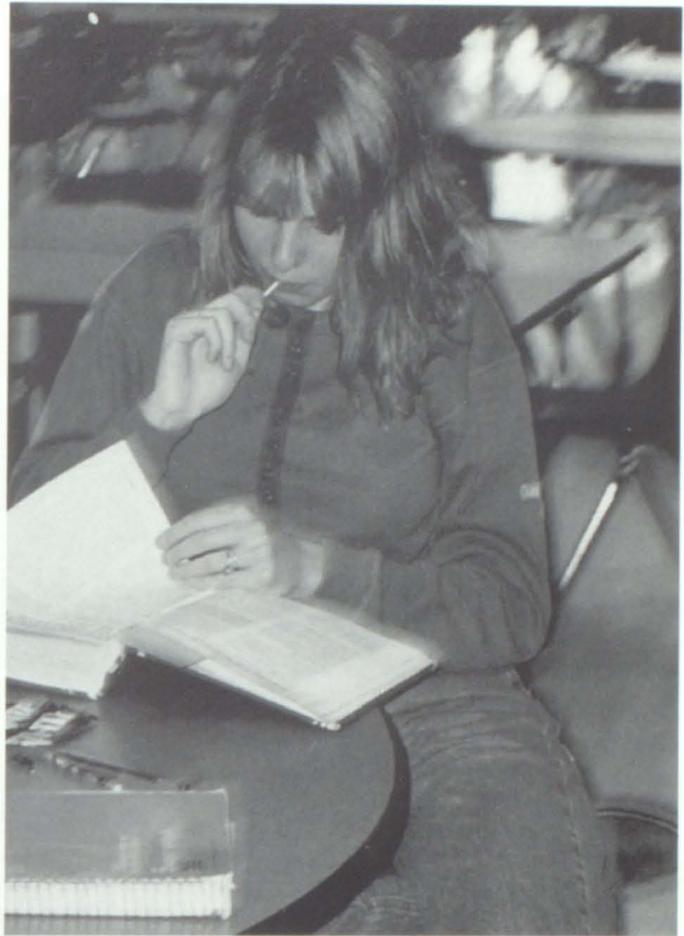
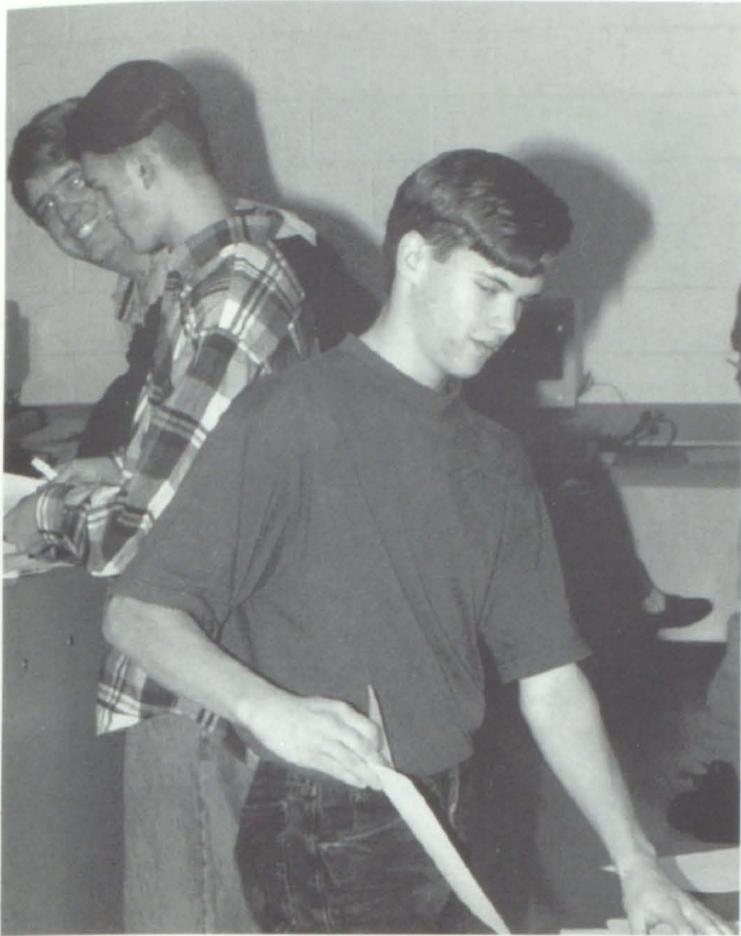
Top. Sophomores work intently on finishing their groovy English 10 assignments.

Above. Students test out the new science lab and equipment.



Above. All Peters and Misty Koehnen marvel over their tasty cookies in foods class.





Above. Students in Spanish class try enthusiastically to perfect the language.

Top left. As Matt Widmer asks Mr. Benson a question, Mr. Benson quickly checks on Mark Rissell to see if he is comfortable with the computer printer.

Top right. Carrie Skoog uses her study hall wisely. **Above.** A group of students discuss JFK's assassination in Mr. Hullander's class.



New Building Makes Adjustments Worthwhile

The 1994-95 school year at the brand new Waconia High School was an experience everyone will remember.

The school faculty had a lot left to do when school started. There were construction workers walking around everywhere, and one saw "Construction Zone" signs all over the place.

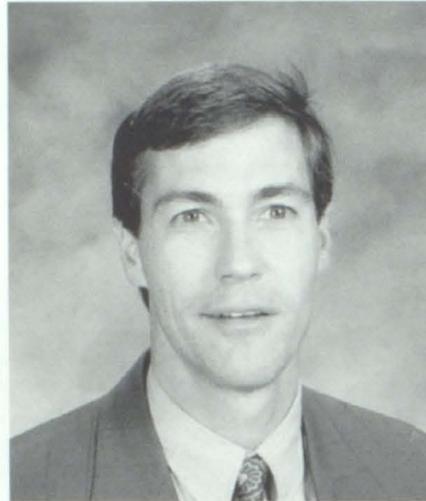
The first semester phy ed students had their classes outside because the gymnasium wasn't finished until mid-November. The band and choir students had to practice in the wrestling room until early November when their rooms were completed. Students in home economics, industrial tech, and art were shuttled to Bayview Middle School classrooms during all of first quarter while their areas were completed in the new building.

Despite all the disadvantages of adjusting to this new school, there came a lot of advantages. Students benefitted by having a commons area, a nice cafeteria, modern technology throughout the building, a modern media center, a gigantic

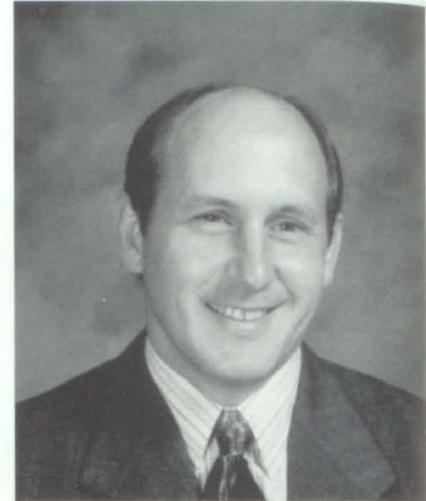
gymnasium, better locker rooms, and new furniture everywhere.

Former high school principal Robert Lind became the new building

coordinator and was kept very busy as the construction continued during the school year. He retired officially from education early in 1995.



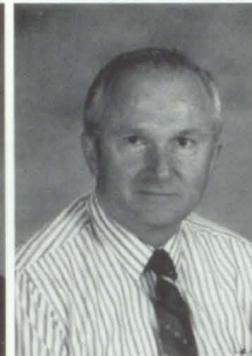
Dr. Ric Dressen,
Superintendent



Mark Fredericksen,
Principal



Robert Lind,
Building
Coordinator



Larry Sharratt,
Business Manager



Above. Principal Mark Fredericksen does his final inspection before school begins.

Right. School Board. Back: Randy Schultz, Fred Geyen, Theresa Pesch, Scott Jensen. Front: Marilyn Hilliard, Roger Sauerbrey, Cathy Schmitz, Ric Dressen.



Faculty — Specialized Areas



Joan Ball,
E/BD Education



Dennis Bjorklund,
Agriculture



Barbara Danger,
Library/Media



Cindy Doyscher,
School Nurse



Jill Engeswick,
Learning Lab



Marie Erickson,
Special Education



Mary Sue Kirley,
Speech Therapy



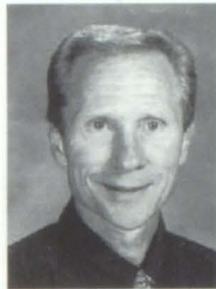
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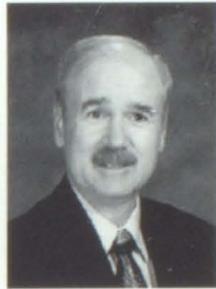
Kristi Pederson,
Work-Experience



John Walsh,
Special Education



Richard Wegehaupt,
Special Education



Gordon Winter,
Guidance Services

Secretaries, Aides, Support Staff



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Assurance of
Mastery



Elaine Karg,
Faculty Clerical



Suzanne Melichar,
Principal's Secretary



Donna Passentino,
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Judy Rademacher,
Receptionist,
Attendance Aide



Mary Ellen Timmers,
Athletic Dept. Aide



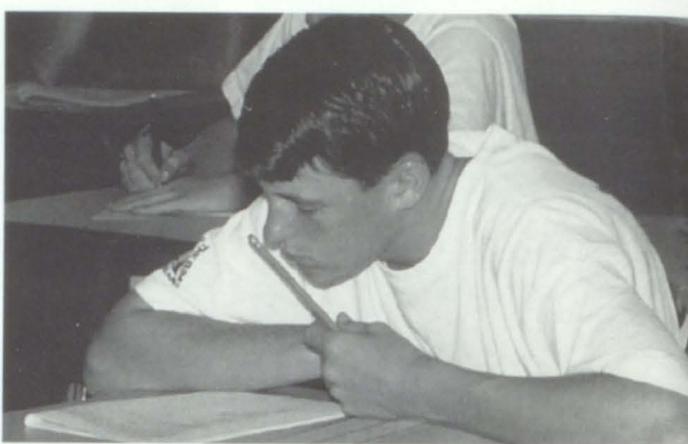
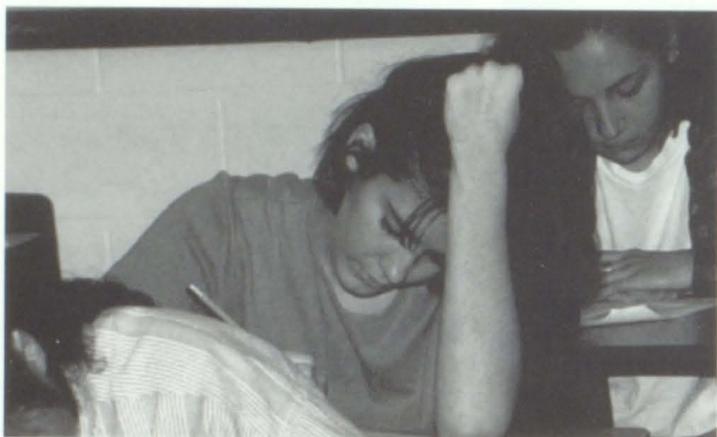
Right. Mrs. Passentino takes lunch numbers this year.



English Classes Provide Grammar Rules for Life

In English class there is a variety of subjects covered. Students read many poems, short stories, plays, and novels throughout their high school classes. They also cover their favorite subject, grammar. Almost every graduate from WHS remembers the forms of the verb "to be," according to Mr. Torborg: "AM, IS, ARE; WAS, WERE, BEEN."

In addition to reading literature and studying grammar, students learn how to write compositions, give speeches, and read selections from the classics of American and world authors.



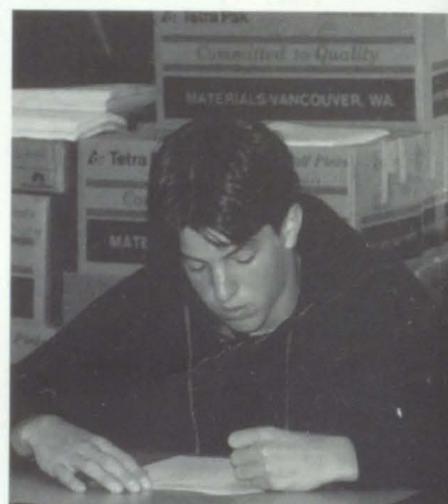
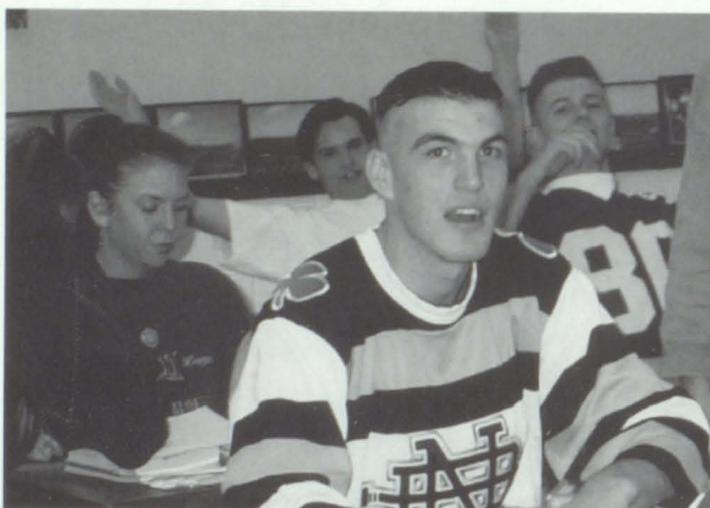
Top. Ms. Schellack helps Traci Theis with her assignment.

Above. DeeAnn Myers ponders a test question.

Above right. Matt Hoelz tries to concentrate on his test, but waits for Mr. Torborg's daily snack.

Right. Comp 12 leaves senior Mike Cebulla speechless.

Far right. Cameron Carr concentrates on his grammar test.



Mr. Kim Benson

Mrs. Mary Kolb

Mr. Wayne Mortensen

Ms. Polly Schellack

Mr. Mark Torborg



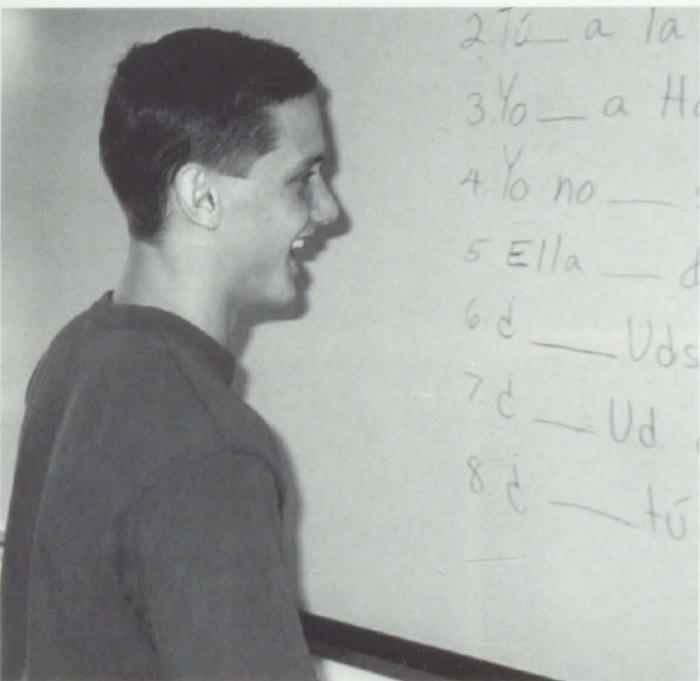


French Added to Language Choices in '94

The foreign language program this year included Spanish, taught by Corinne Dulgar, and first year French, taught by Pam Melchert. In both French and Spanish, students learn the language and are exposed to the customs of the country or culture.

Learning a new language may be challenging at times, but having knowledge of another language benefits students during their college years and throughout their lives.

Top. Spanish student Karly Anderson gets help from Mrs. Dulgar.
Left. Sarah Grote enjoys cheese and bread at the French cheese tasting party.
Bottom. Bill Worm ponders the Spanish questions.
Below. Andy Skinner pours his drink at the French cheese tasting.



Mrs. Corinne Dulgar

Mrs. Pam Melchert



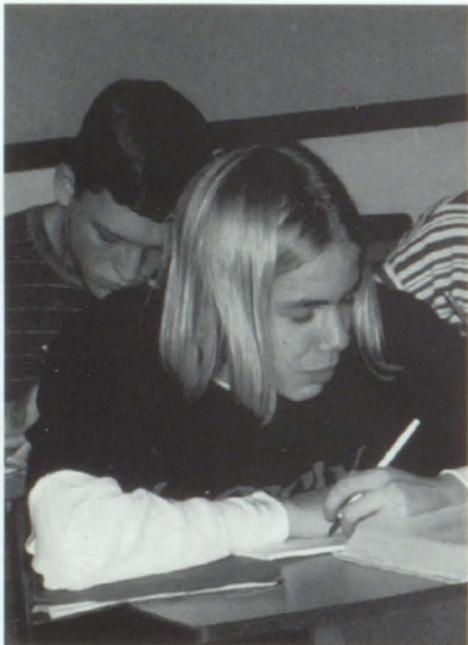
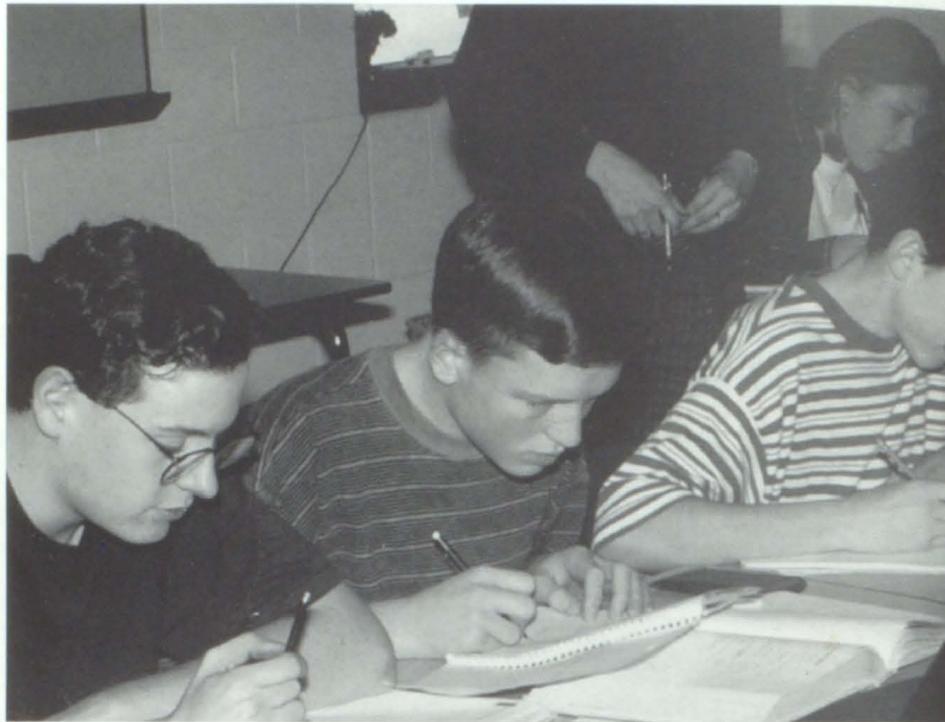
MATH and SCIENCE: Students Learn Much

This year's math courses offered many challenges to students. For example, this year the Waconia High School math department purchased a new set of graphing calculators which offered many new experiences for students (not to mention making homework more interesting!) The math department gained one new teacher this year — Mr. Cain. Although challenging, the classes this year were very exciting.

Right. Matt Domoradzki, Jim Mase, and Josh Pauly "compare" their answers in Algebra II.

Below. Kyle Kosieracki studies his algebra homework intently.

Below right. The students of Mrs. Kurtz's third hour Algebra II class finally finish their homework.



Mr. Darren Cain

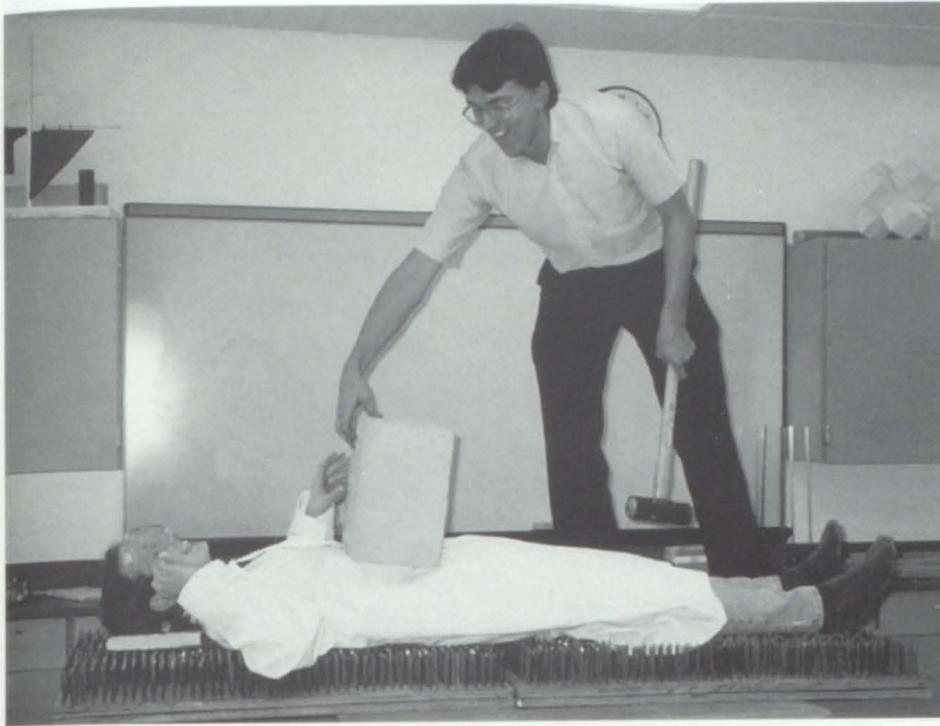
Mrs. Kathy Kurtz

Mr. Tim Sauer

Ms. Sharon Singsaas



With New Equipment, Labs



This year's science courses included many new experiences. The science department had all new labs and lab equipment. The experiments included animal dissection, mixing chemicals, and interesting physics experiments, such as balancing coins on bottles, smashing cement blocks over students lying on nails, and gravitational experiments. The science department consisted of Mr. Arman, Mrs. Kersting, Mr. Westermann, and Mr. Sauer. The new equipment made the science classes very interesting this year.

Left. Mr. Sauer's physics experiments can be pretty scary if you're the one on the bed of nails (Cara Radde).

Below left. Chemistry students Joe Streeter and Joe Cox delve into the scientific world.

Below. Physical science students Jeff Schmitz and Mark Long enjoy any experiment involving a bunsen burner.



Mr. Darrell Arman

Mrs. Shaun Kersting

Mr. Don Westermann



Choir, Band Classes Improve Performing Skills

Band and choir classes are intended to improve the students' performing skills. Students have a ritual of warming up during the beginning of class and then perform a variety of selections of music. The classroom time helps students prepare for public performances.

Right. Concert choir members sight read some new music.

Below. Sarah Long shows off her skills at playing the flute.

Below right. The woodwinds finally get a chance to practice in their new band room.

Bottom. Nicole Decker practices with the concert choir.



Mr. Ron Larson
Mr. Don Schultz
Ms. Kelli Timm



Phy Ed Classes Meet Outside First Quarter

This year's physical education classes were a little different, especially for the first quarter. Students had classes outside until the new gym was completed. Some days the students needed to listen to weather re-

ports to know what to wear for class that day. Once the new gym was completed, students enjoyed the large new facility. At the end of each teaching unit, written and skills tests were required of each student.

In health classes, students studied nutrition, death and dying, and sex education.

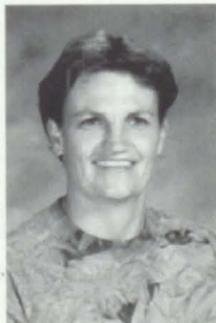
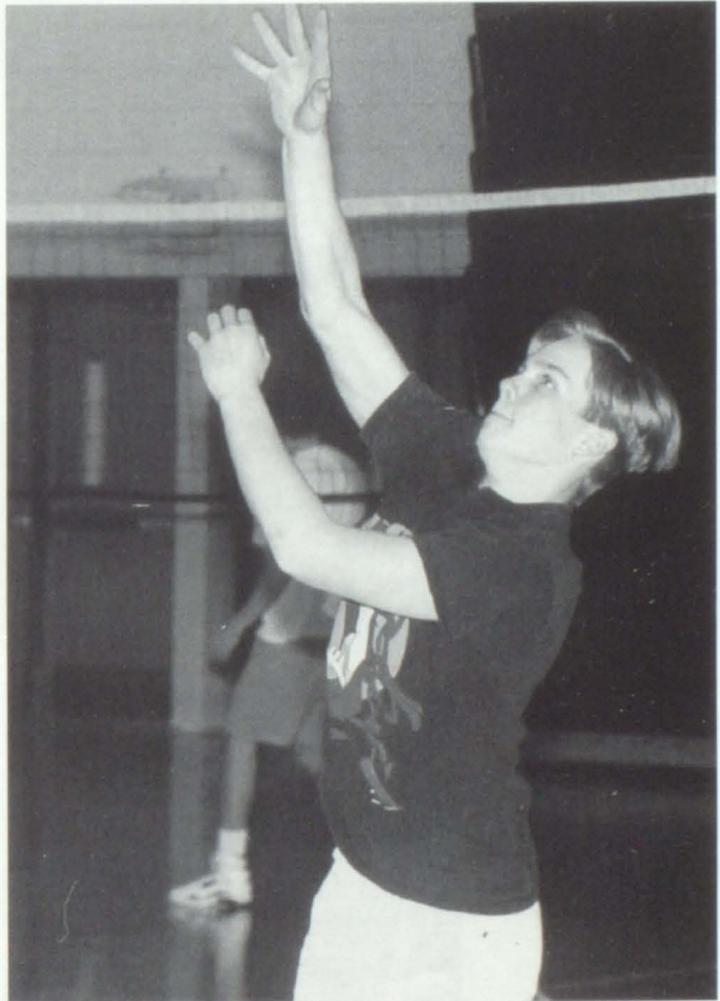


Left. Dressed warmly, the sophomore boys play speed ball outside.

Below. Karissa Sjodin and Ryan Gulden jump for the ball while their teammates wait.

Below left. While sitting comfortably on the gym floor, Karen Kranz takes her written test.

Bottom. Brandon Blackmon concentrates on hitting the volleyball.



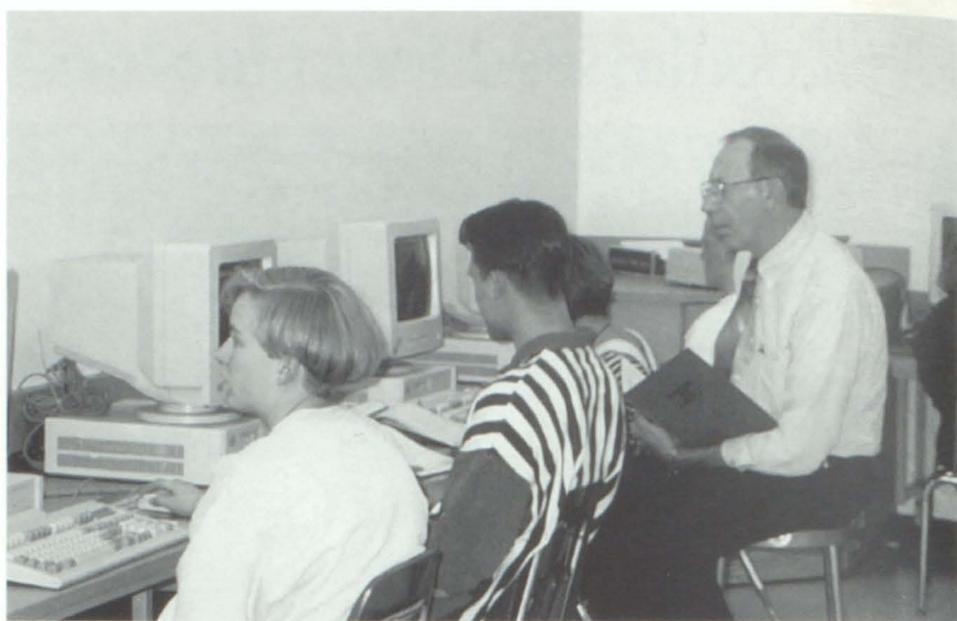
Mr. Pat Foley
Ms. Connie
Manuel



New Labs, Equipment Aid Student Skills

All new computer labs and computers meant a big switch from last year's typewriters and older computers. No typewriters were used at all this year. Most classes — including typing, IBM Applications, Introduction to Computers, and keyboarding — were taken on computers.

Also this year there were new textbooks. The new equipment will help students in the computer age as they learn how to run a computer, how to type, and how to do computer applications.

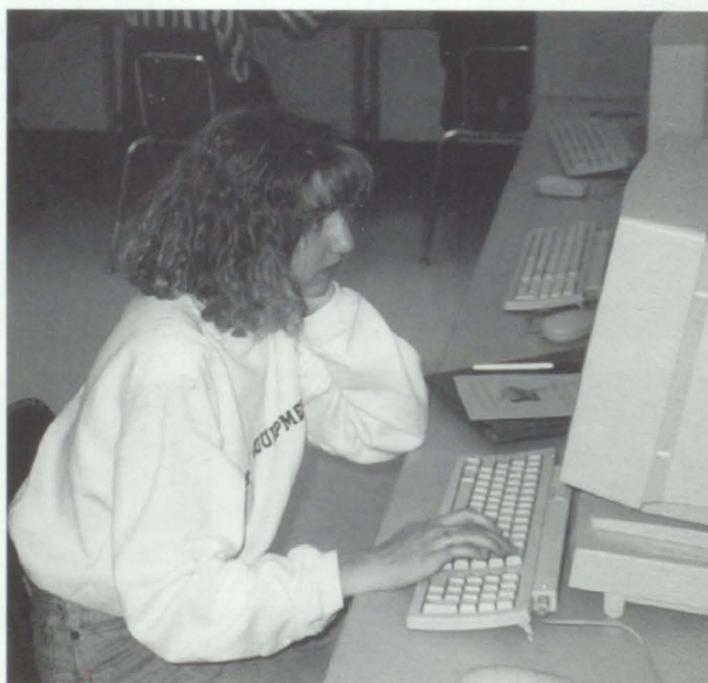
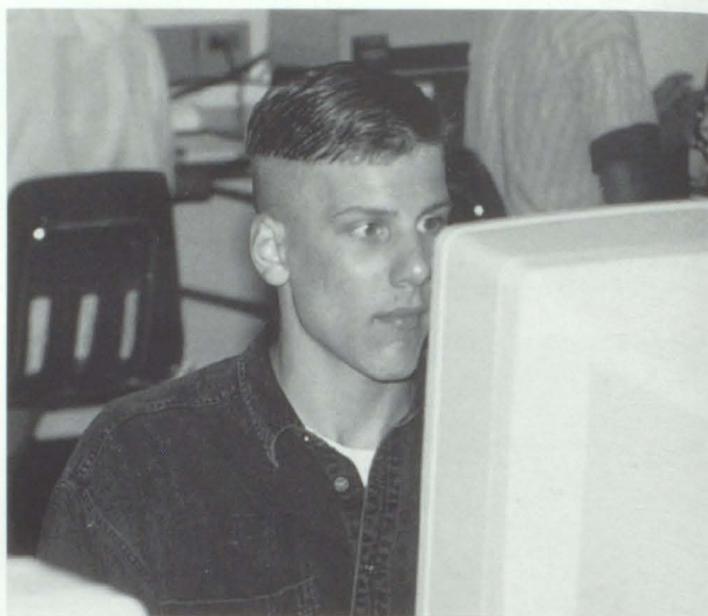


Above. Mr. Gerding is always helpful in the computer lab.

Below. Nikki Dettman practices her typing skills.

Right. Freshman Nate Tellers checks his work in keyboarding.

Bottom right. Jill Thurk edits her assignment.

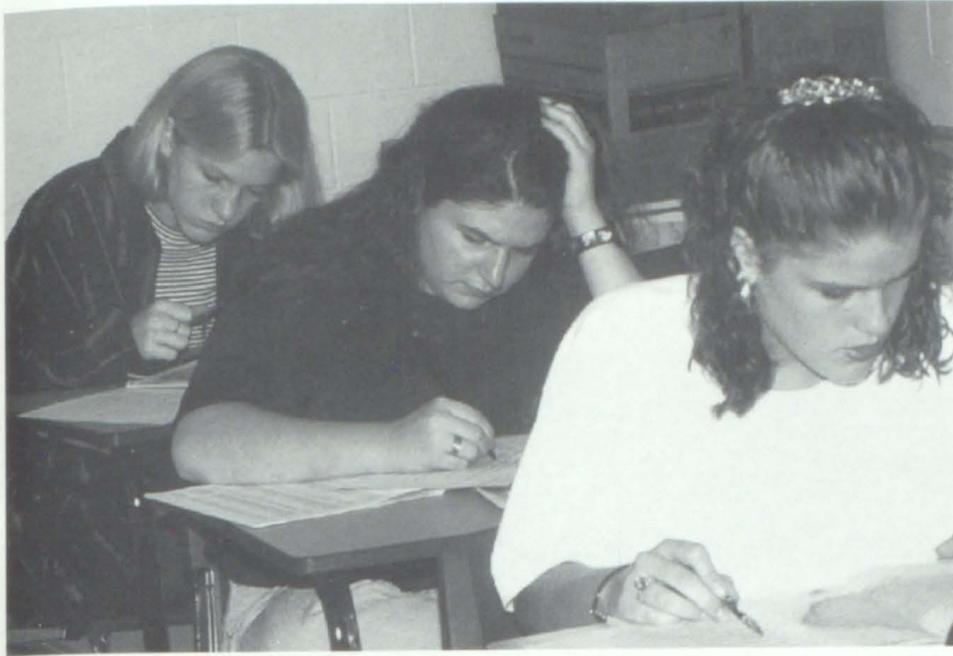


Mr. Ken Gerding
Ms. Lydia
Thometz



Below. Mercy Adams, Alesha Moonen, and Emily Wyatt study their maps in geography.

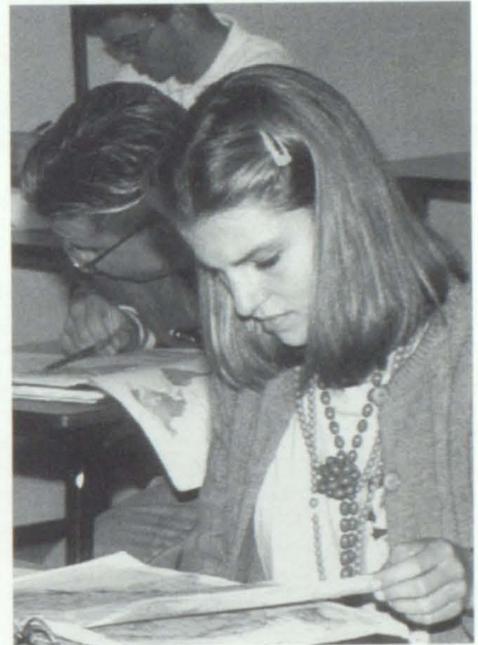
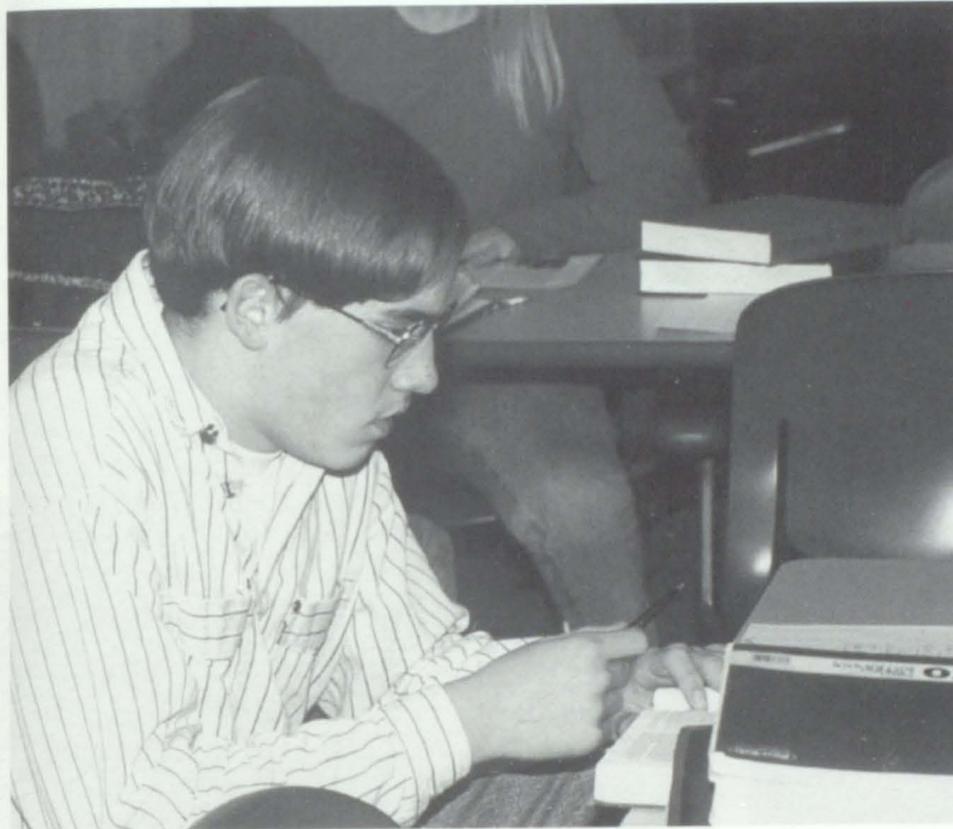
Bottom left. Chris Bergmann gathers information for his I-Can project.



Social Classes Cover Wide Topic Range

There is a wide range of topics covered in social studies classes. As seniors, students study economics, government, and psychology. As a junior, the focus is on geography and area studies. Sophomore social emphasizes United States history, and freshman social features civics, taught this year by the department's new teacher, Mr. Snobl.

Below. Traci Theis works on completing one of Mr. Luebke's infamous worksheets.



Mr. Steve Hullander
Mr. Jon Luebke
Mr. Scott Snobl
Mr. Mike Zender

Home Ec, Art Classes Give Students Creative Outlets

Personal life skills classes, often referred to as home ec classes, and art classes both offer opportunities for students to develop useful skills as well encourage creativity.

The art classes offered at WHS this year included Color Design and Drawing, Ceramics, and Studio Art, all taught by new faculty member Mrs.

Amy Fischer.

Home ec classes teach such topics as family dynamics, nutrition, consumer management, and food preparation.

Right. Jenny Diers works on improving her drawing skills.

Below. Emily Wyatt and Adam Orth carefully work on their drawings.



Mrs. Amy Fischer
Mrs. Phyllis Lehrke

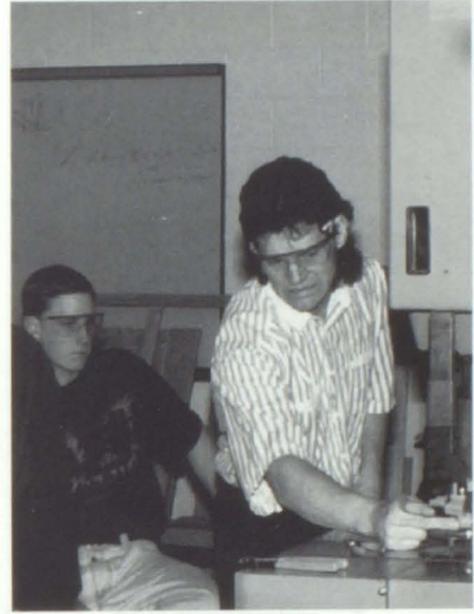
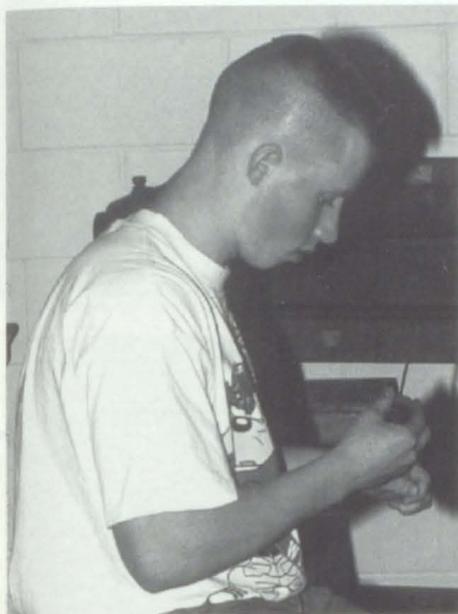


Upper left. Joe Volby sketches a drawing from one in a magazine.
Far right. Lacey Bresnahan, Joe Hedin, Jason Wirtz, and Emily Clauson clean up after class.
Above left. Home ec students taste how their cookies turned out.



Industrial Tech Classes Offer Students Skills

The industrial tech classes teach building and drafting skills. During the past year, students had an opportunity to use many new tools and equipment. Some of the class choices included Introduction to Woods, Small Engines, Drafting, and Introduction to Metals.



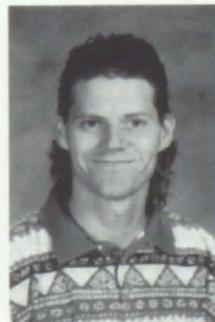
Top. Peter Hilgers, Jason Wirtz, and Cory Schilling listen while Mr. Aeling describes safety procedures.

Center left. Dan Reitsma inspects a component of his project.

Above, center. Brandon Blackmon hooks his car up to an Energizer battery so it can keep going and going and going.

Above. Mr. Aeling demonstrates how painful it would be if you happened to hurt yourself on the equipment.

Left. Chris Bergmann and Mike Janski try to put their cars together for Small Engines.



Mr. David Aeling

Mr. Bob Lindemann



SURVEY:

What do you like best about the new school?



Freshman **Brittany Molnau**: "The music rooms."



Sophomore **Jason Radde**: "I like that the average temperature of the school is 65 degrees."



Junior **Jon Rightler**: "The weight room and the gym."



Senior **Mary Roebke**: "A better and cleaner commons area."

Study Halls Offer Variety of

Study hall is a class that many students choose for certain reasons. Some actually use the time to study and others prefer just to relax. The students have a choice of working in the commons or quietly in the media center. Many students have no idea how to use their time, so they do the next best thing — socialize!. But of course the favorite thing to do is EAT!!

Left. Mike Leen plays one of study hall's favorite pastimes, Magic cards.

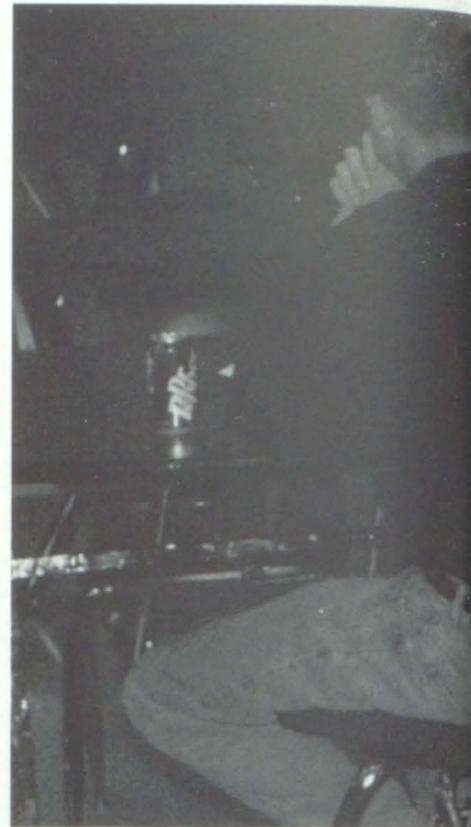
Below. Brian Melby prefers to lounge on the media center's couch while reading.

Bottom. Carrie Skoog sits comfortably while doing her homework.

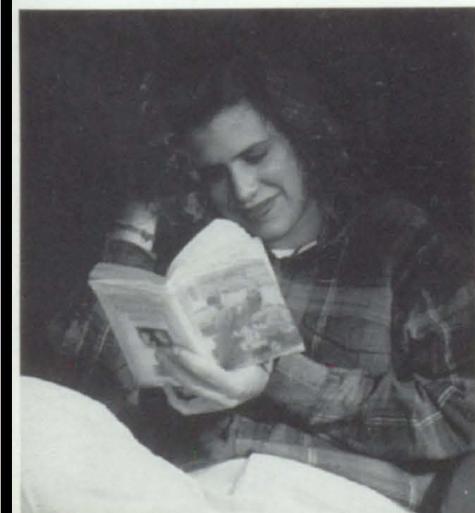
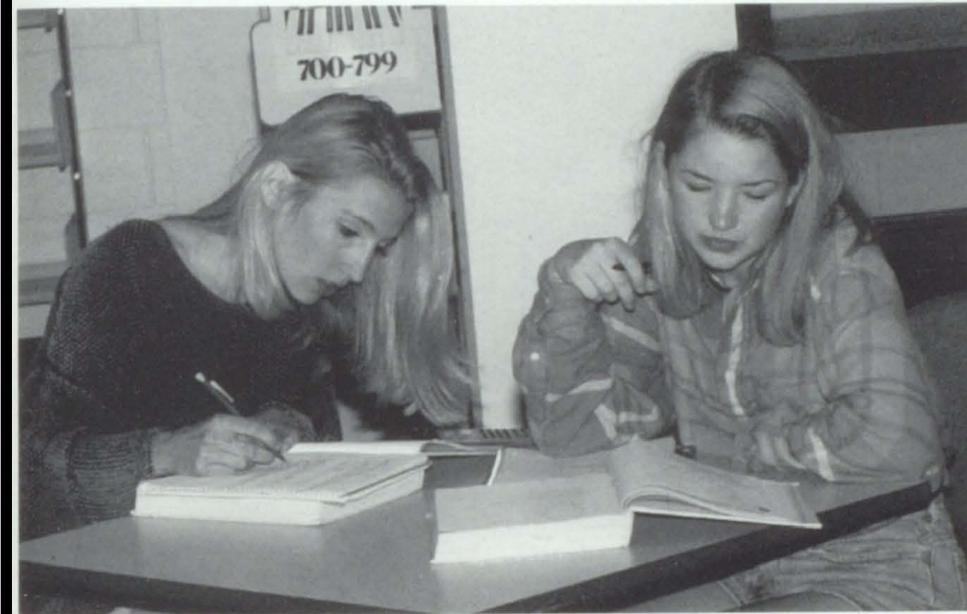
Opposite page, center. Marin Fogerty and Emily Bodahl quietly do their homework.

Opposite page, bottom. Sarah Orth enjoys reading her book in the media center.

Opposite page, bottom right. Mike Cebulla studies his English in the media center.



Choices for Students



SURVEY:

What is your favorite class?



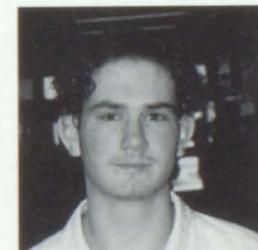
Freshman Paul Rohlik:
"Geometry because Ms. Sing-
saas is a good teacher."



Sophomore Ryan Gulden:
"My favorite class is history.
That's just because Mr. Hul-
lander is paying me to say it."



Junior Jill Thurk: "Pre-
calculus because I like math
and can understand it."



Senior Uri Houg: "My favorite
class is Video Productions be-
cause most of all it's fun, and I
love being on camera."



WILDCATS ROAM: ACTIVITIES

There are a great many activities at Waconia High School, ranging from musicals and plays to the Future Leaders of America. Students participate in the various activities for many reasons.

One reason is that some activities teach about certain careers; mock trial teaches about the legal profession and FFA teaches about farming and agriculture. The yearbook staff teaches students about journalism and publications. Choir and band offer musical options to talented students.

Activities offer variety for students and a dimension to Waconia High School that showcases talent and demonstrates individuality.



Above. Jerrod Hucky patiently waits for his blood bag to fill at the student council sponsored blood drive.



Above. Lacey Bresnahan delivers a speech in the gym.

Top. Jon LaValle, Cassie Dunn, and Kristin Dueber prepare their speeches for mock trial.





Top left. Prom goers mill around at a pre-prom party as they anxiously await the big event.

Above. Darbi Moll eyes her music while Kelly Jo Sletten plays on.

Top right. Genny Poppler stands at attention for color guard.

Above. The family in *Fiddler on the Roof* stands around the table for the "Sabbath Prayer."

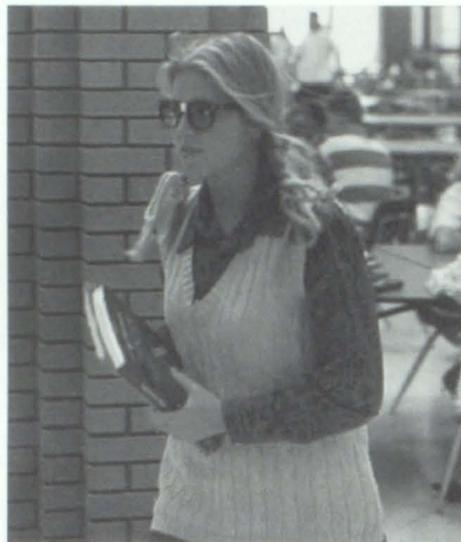


Spirit Week

The students at WHS had a busy homecoming week. On Monday, the students who dressed as nerds during the day attended coronation in the evening to see who the new king and queen would be. On Tuesday, Pajama Day, the cross country team had a meet and the volleyball team also played. On Wednesday, it was Class Color Day, and the juniors took on the seniors in a powderpuff football game. Thursday was a busy day for the volleyball and cross country teams, and students dressed up for Hippy/Harley Day. The biggest day was Friday, Hats & Shades Day, which ended with a pepfest held in the commons. A parade was held before the game, and after the game, there was a dance.

Below. King Jesse Roush and Queen Amber Christenson share their thoughts at Friday's pepfest.

Bottom. The crowd watches intently as the cheerleaders perform at the pepfest.



Nerd Day

Top. Just like a scene out of the Brady Bunch, Andy Larsen and Jenny Oscarson read a magazine together.

Center. Kori Schultz scrambles to her next class on Nerd Day.

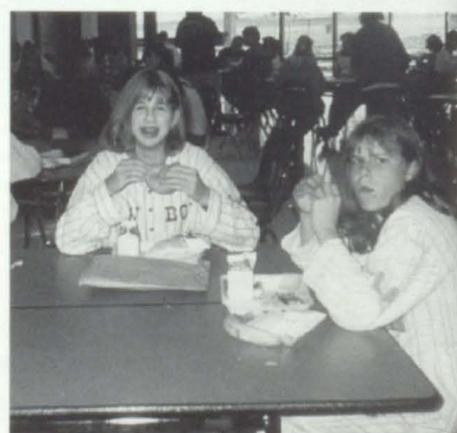
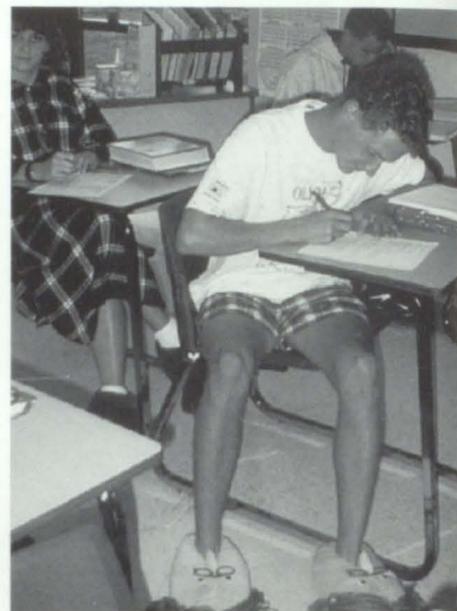
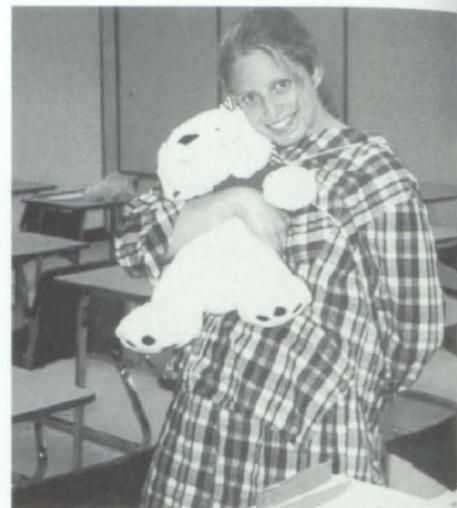
Bottom. Kristin Wiebe enjoys the new snack policy in study hall.

Pajama Day

Below. Angel Pruden cuddles with her main squeeze.

Center. Kevin Laumann forgets to change clothes before coming to school.

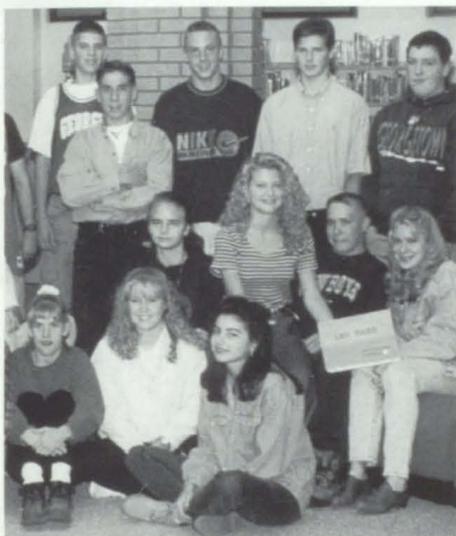
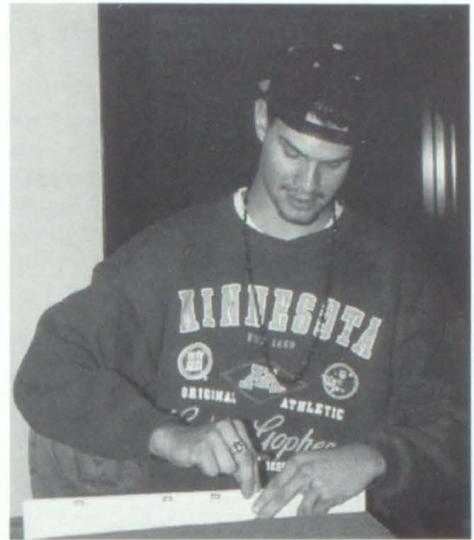
Bottom. Celyn Oakman and Meghan Foley enjoy one of the many delicious lunches at WHS.





Harley/Hippie Day

Below. Tiffany Seeman, Dana Schmakel, and Mindy Basel strike a pose for Hippie Day.
 Center. Derek Wilson fixes his groovy shades.
 Bottom. Cara Radde looks down the hall at a fellow hippie.



Class Color Day

Top. The seniors show their class spirit by wearing black.
 Center. Who are these angels dressed in white? Could they be the junior class?
 Above. The sophomore class show how true blue they are on Class Color Day.

Hats/Shades Day

Top. Matt Yost concentrates on a school project.
 Center. Is Katie Wagener rolling her eyes at Mr. Torborg in English class?
 Above. Where in the world did Tom Sandeen find that hat?



1994 Coronation Brings Together Old, New

The 1994 homecoming coronation consisted of the old and new period for Waconia High School. The new included the new Wildcats name and the new candidates. The old included the use of the old auditorium, located at Bayview Middle School, and the old royalty, Andy Werner and Lisa

Trout, giving up their crowns to the new.

When Jesse Roush and Amber Christenson were crowned WHS's homecoming royalty, they became the first king and queen to reign over the Wildcats.

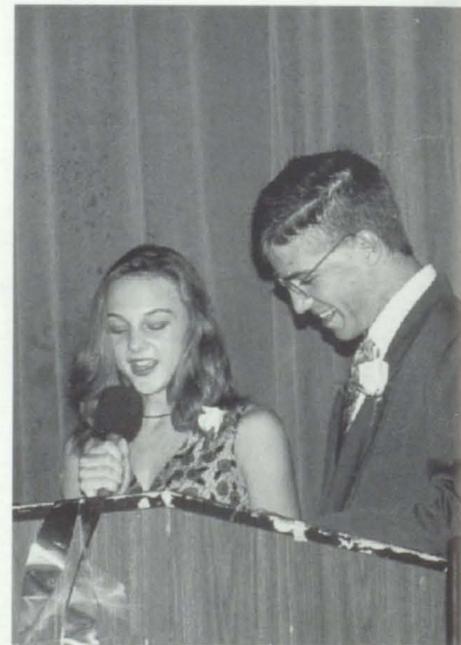
The entertainment for the evening

was provided by the cheerleaders, pep band, and a quartet made up of Kristin Dueber, Jenny DeGrote, Cara Radde, and Rachel Zimmerman. Speeches were given by the fall sports coaches, Pat Foley, Kathy Kurtz, Connie Manuel, and Clark Machtemes.

Homecoming Royalty. Front: Jessica Lee, Katie Anquist, Molly Bailey, Jenny Oscarson, Jackie Boll, Angie Schuette, Teri Lind, Shelley Bergmann. Back: Robert Hart, Joe Hedin, Steve Marsden, Jaime Mackenthun, Paul DeGrote, Brian Melby, Ryan Schultz, Mike Cebulla. King and Queen: Jesse Roush and Amber Christenson.



Homecoming Committee. Front: Jason Wirtz, Melissa Nelson, Jacob Streeter, Leia Christoffer, Erin Schulz, Bria Knutson. 2nd Row: Jenny Oscarson, Lindsey Lehrke, Brian Melby, Teri Lind, Jessica Radde, Kaisa Niilo-Rama, Angie Schuette, Amber Christenson, Molly Bailey. Back: Amanda Richardson, Julie Lahr, Mike Cebulla, Matt Widmer, Andy Larson, Peter Hilgers, Jeff Gothmann, Dan Flies, Travis Radel, Marin Fogerty, Craig Peterson, Karissa Sjodin, Andy Kerber, Nicole Decker, Stacy Steinhagen.



Above. Peter Hilgers and Leia Christoffer start the evening off at coronation.





Left. New homecoming king Jesse Roush patiently helps Andy Werner put on his robe, even though he is ecstatic about being king.

Below. Cara Radde, Rachel Zimmerman, Kristin Dueber, and Jenny DeGrote entertain the audience with a song.

Bottom. Jackie Boll and Teri Lind look on as Amber Christenson is crowned queen.



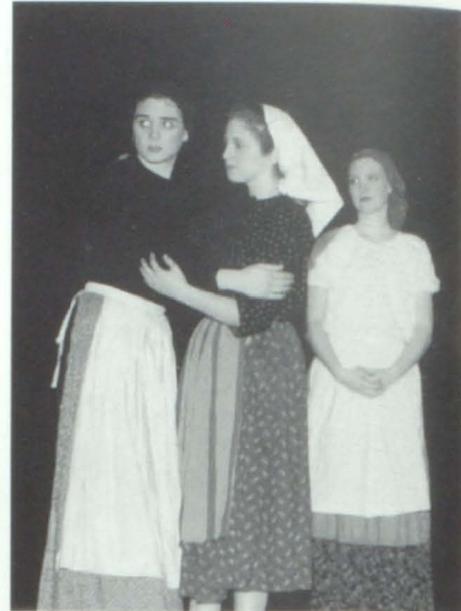
Fiddler on the Roof Cast

- Tevye Jeff Cloninger
- Golde Sara Fisk
- Tzeitel Cara Radde
- Hodel Sarah Long
- Chava Angel Pruden
- Shprintze Jill Thurk
- Bielke Brittany Molnau
- Yente Laura Brahee
- Lazar Wolf Matt Yost
- Perchik Ryan Schultz
- Motel Shawn Linton
- Rabbi Darin Wyant
- Mendel Mike Peoples
- Mordcha Josh Winter
- Constable Jon Rightler
- Avram Jon LaValle
- Fyedka Shawn Wagener
- Sasha Steve Minor
- Boris Jesse Rightler
- Grandma Tzeitel ... Jenny DeGrote
- Fruma-Sarah Kori Schultz
- Nachum Dan Flies
- Shandel Sarah Meuleners
- Yussel Josh Pauly
- Yitzhak Josh Grandy
- Anya Angela Hatz
- Bluma Leah Herling
- Fredel Stacy Steinhagen
- Mirala Mary Roebke
- Rahse Sarah Grote
- Rifka Nicole Sullivan
- Sursha Kelly Klosterman
- Fiddler Misty Hibben
- Drama Director Kathy Jo Strei
- Music Director Ron Larson
- Orchestra Director ... Don Schultz

Below. Tevye (Jeff Cloninger) sings about his daughter while working.



Below. Chava (Angel Pruden) hugs her mother Golde (Sara Fisk) as her sister Tzeitel (Cara Radde) looks on.



Right. Orchestra members, back: Alesha Moonen, Kelli Timm, Nick Geller, Don Schultz, Andy Kerber. Front: Chris Ruzin, Virginia Miller, Linda Bullis, Brad Reichenberger, Jessica Kunkel, Amy Westlund, Sara Worm.



'Fiddler' Portrays Another Culture, Time

This year's fall musical was "Fiddler on the Roof," a story about a family in a small village in Russia. The father, Tevye, tries to raise his daughters in the traditional manner. However, he runs into difficulties along the way. On the eve of the Russian Revolution in 1905, Tevye

has dreams, but learns that traditions can be as fragile as a fiddler on the roof.

The musical, which was presented in Bayview's auditorium, had a pit orchestra for the first time in several years.

Below left. Hodel (Sarah Long) sings to her papa (Jeff Cloninger) about leaving her homeland, Anatevka.

Below. Yente the matchmaker (Laura Brahee) questions why her matches don't work out.

Bottom left. Village people congratulate Motel (Shawn Linton) on his upcoming wedding.

Bottom right. The cast dances wildly "to life" (L'Chaim).



Concert Choir Members Compete, Entertain

Providing much entertainment for Waconia is the WHS concert choir. The choir performs at three concerts each year — one at Christmas, one in February, and one in May. In addition, the choir competes at a large group contest where they receive ratings. During April the choir traveled to Luther College in Decorah, Iowa, to attend the Group Dorian Festival.

To be in concert choir one must audition in the late spring of the previous year. Auditions include singing selections provided by Mr. Larson.

Right. Choir members concentrate on their music.

Below. Mr. Larson directs the choir during the new school dedication.

Center right. Choir Council. Front: Ryan Dannewitz, Rob Hustad, Kori Schultz, Derek Stoldt, Cara Radde. Back: Brandon Newman, Sarah Meuleners, Kristin Dueber, Jeff Cloninger.



Concert Choir. Front: Nicole Sullivan, Stacy Dannewitz, Stephanie Wagner, Tracy Keaveny, Nicole Decker, Shelley Bergmann, Karen Kranz, Jill Thurk, Jill Roeser, Melissa Maas, Ryan Gulden, Laura Brahee, Lea Ann Hilk, Kristin Wiebe, Rachel Zimmerman, Sara Fisk, Kristin Dueber. 2nd Row: Emily Clauson, Leigh Anne Brahee, Carissa Froyum, Mary Lake, Tricia Wilson, Sara Worm, Sarah Long, Jennifer DeGrote, Angel Pruden, Mary Roebke, Leia Christoffer, Becky Wagener, Cara Radde, Sarah Meuleners, Karissa Sjodin, Heather Luedloff, Gina Logelin. 3rd Row: Rosemary Schrempp, Lincoln Maiser, Ryan Arndt, Mike Peoples, Steve Marsden, Jon LaValle, Andy Kerber, Andy Engelhart, Kevin Kolb, Jon Rightler, Kris Froyum, Josh Grandy, Josh Pauly, Jeff Cloninger, Brandon Newman, Shawn Linton. Back: Paul DeGrote, Matt Yost, Derek Stoldt, Rob Hustad, Kyle Raisbeck, Eric Janski, Dan Flies, Darin Wyant, Ryan Dannewitz, Andrew Christianson, Wes Bruemmer, Josh Winter, Shawn Wagener, Scott Hanson, Derrick Kast, Kristoffer Sjodin. Not pictured: Ryan Christoffer.



Jazz, Pop Groups Entertain



The Pop Group's major performance of the year was a program called "Keep on Dancin'" and was performed at one matinee and two evenings in March. The show's numbers included "Back to the Fifties," "Twist and Shout," "Sixties with a Twist," "Splish, Splash," and "Land of 1,000 Dances." Other perfor-

mances included invitationals and at regular choir concerts.

1994-95 was the first year for the newly formed Jazz Singers. This group performed at choir concerts, the Pop Show, and at contest. Some of their numbers included "Blue Skies," "Java Jive," and "If I loved You."

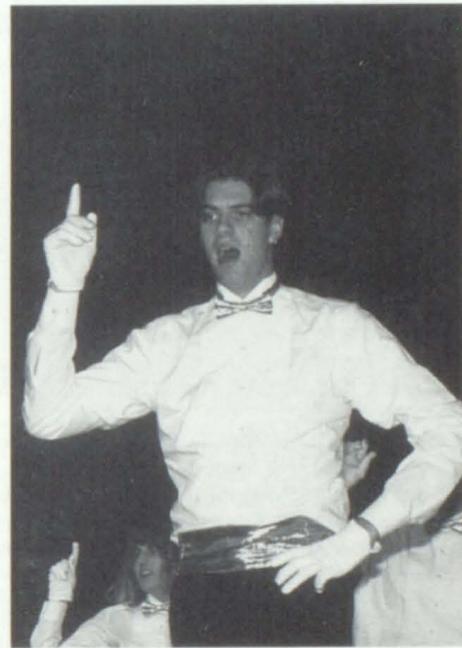


Top. Jill Thurk charms the audience.

Below. Jazz Singers. Front: Angel Pruden, Sarah Long, Kristin Dueber, Sara Fisk. Back: Paul DeGrote, Matt Yost, Jeff Cloninger, Shawn Wagener.



Pop Group. Front: Cara Radde, Shawn Wagener. Center: Wes Bruemmer, Laura Brahee, Paul DeGrote, Kristin Dueber, Angel Pruden, Matt Yost, Jenny DeGrote, Jeff Cloninger. Back: Darin Wyant, Kori Schultz, Sarah Long, Sara Fisk, Jon Rightler, Jill Thurk, Josh Winter, Josh Pauly.



Center left. Sarah Long marvels at Josh Winter's Rudolf nose.

Above. Matt Yost sings and "twists" his heart out for the Pop Show.



Small Music Groups Showcase Talent

WHS offers several opportunities for students to sing in smaller groups than the traditional choir. The Chamber Singers sing Renaissance music and madrigals without accompaniment. They sang at choir concerts and contests and also went Christmas caroling this year. New to WHS this year were the Women's Ensemble and the Men's Ensemble. These groups sing music expressly designed for the male or female voice.



Top. Chamber Singers. Front: Leah Herling, Sara Worm, Karen Kranz, Jill Thurk, Rachel Zimmerman, Laura Brahee, Heather Luedloff. Back: Matt Yost, Jon Rightler, Kris Froyum, Wes Bruemmer, Jeff Cloninger, Shawn Wagener, Sarah Meuleners. Not pictured: Kori Schultz.

Above. Women's Ensemble. Meghan Foley, Leah Herling, Misty Hiben, Brittany Molnau, Stacy Steinhagen, Kristy Ketcher, Bethany Leppard. Not pictured: Nicole Sullivan, Karen Kranz.

Above right. Heather Luedloff sings beautifully for Chamber Singers.

Right. Men's Ensemble. Andrew Christianson, Darin Wyant, Kris Sjodin, Jesse Rightler, Jon Rightler, Shawn Linton, Wes Bruemmer, Shawn Wagener.



Pep, Jazz Bands Provide Lively Performances



The Waconia High School pep band provides musical entertainment during most varsity games. They are there to get the crowd enthusiastic and to pump up the players. They play a variety of popular music ranging from music of the 60's to the present day. They play at football, volleyball, basketball, and wrestling meets.

Jazz band is a group of musicians whose sole purpose is play jazz music. They meet twice a week to prepare for their two concerts. The group, composed mostly of brass and saxophone players, is directed by Mr. Schultz, who also directs the pep band.



Top. Niccole Gingras, Leah Herling, and Brittany Molnau try to hit every note just right at their performance.

Center left. The brass section rocks during a performance.

Above. Sarah Long shows her school spirit by wearing the classic purple and gold.

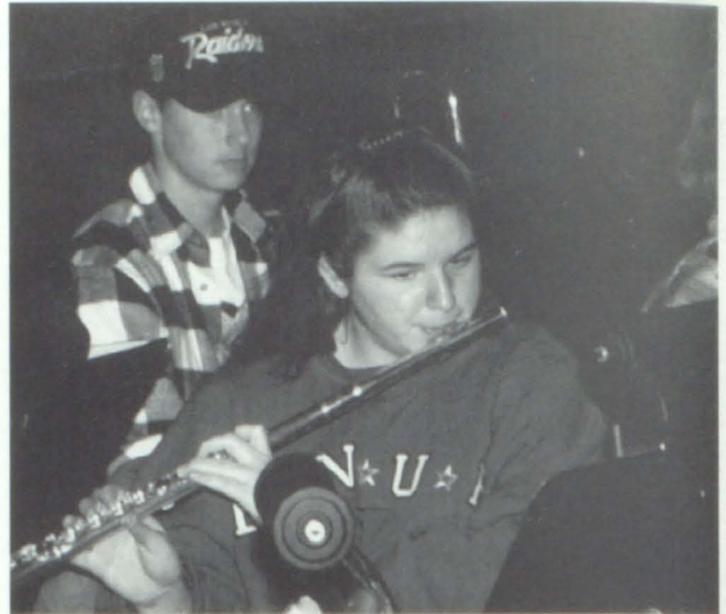
Left. Jazz Band. Front: Darbi Moll, Leigh Anne Brahee, Shawn Wagener, Carissa Froyum, Ryan Schultz, Jon Rightler. Center: Jenny DeGrote, Paul Peterson, Laura Brahee, Wes Bruemmer, Kris Froyum. Back: Andrew Kerber, Don Schultz, Darin Wyant, Jessica Kunkel, Paul DeGrote, Angel Pruden, Brad Reichenberger, Jerry Hocutt.



Band Delivers Variety of Music for Events

The Waconia High School concert band performed for the second year under their director, Don Schultz. The band plays a variety of music, including black spirituals, jazz, medleys from musicals and popular films, and folk songs. The band played at three concerts this year, traveled to St. Anthony's College for a contest, played at the new school dedication, and played at graduation.

Below. Matt Yost wrestles his French horn in the temporary band room.
Right. Junior Alesha Moonen perfects her flute playing.
Below right. Shawn Wagener, Carissa Froyum, and Ryan Schultz delightfully deliver a dynamic performance.



Concert Band. Front: Kristin Dueber, Sarah Long, Becky Rohlik, Stacey Leen, Darbi Moll. 2nd Row: Sara Worm, Cara Radde, Chrissy Diethelm, Amy Westlund, Angie Erdmann, Julie Lahr, DeeAnn Myers, Amanda Richardson, Anita Lehrke, Kelly Jo Sletten, Carissa Froyum. 3rd Row: Leigh Anne Brahee, Jon Rightler, Jessica Kes, Shawn Wagener, Laura Richardson, Matt Yost, Kyle Kosieracki, Shelley Bergmann, Ryan Schultz, Sarah Orth, Jill Lee. 4th Row: Jerry Hocutt, Tim Bode, Kevin Kolb, Laura Brahee, Wes Bruemmer, Kris Froyum, Paul Peterson, Chad Schmitz, Darin Wyant, Paul DeGrote, Brad Reichenberger, Angel Pruden, Jessica Kunkel, Josh Pauly, Josh Grandy, Mike Leen. Back: Andy Kerber, Augie Herling, Jenny DeGrote, Kris Sjodin, Jill Roeser, Nikki Passentino.

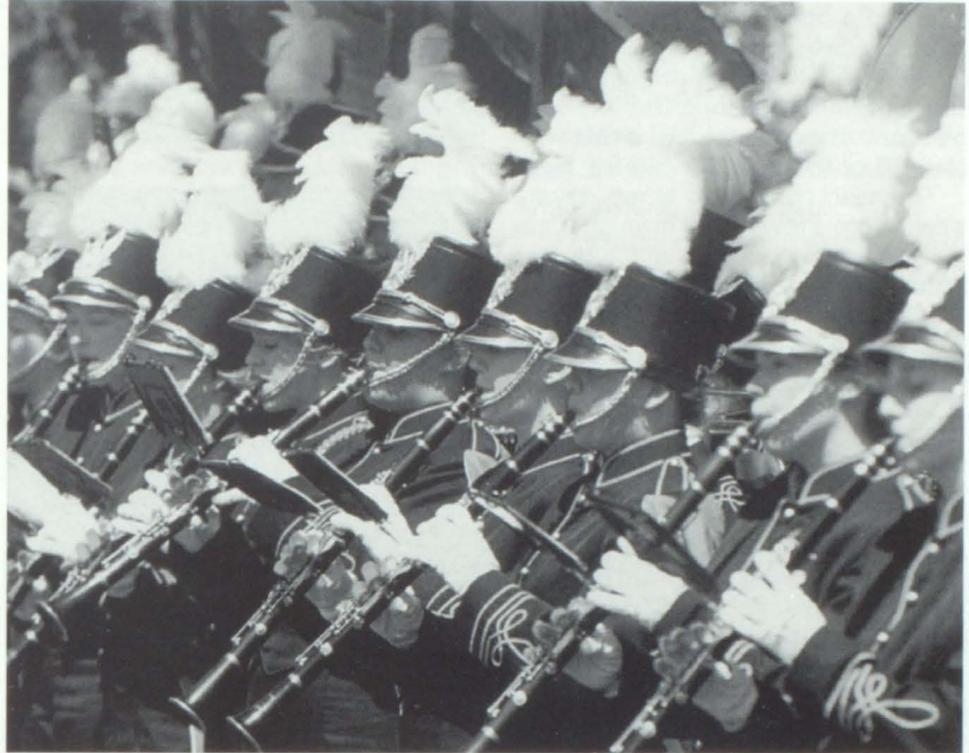
Marching Band Continues to Collect Honors

The 1994 Waconia marching band consisted of 83 members directed by Don Schultz, Lisa Sauer, and Brian Dueber. They practiced hard during the months of May through July, meeting almost everyday.

For their hard work, they received 3 first place awards; 3 second place awards; and the drum majors, color guard, percussion, and wind section each brought home individual awards. The most successful parade was Annandale's 4th of July parade where the band took first place, the

best drum major, best color guard, and best percussion section.

Below left. Jon Rightler displays good dignity and bearing during a marching band parade. **Below.** The clarinet section performs with great concentration on Memorial Day.



COMMANDER
Sarah Long
Brad Reichenberger
FLUTE
Kristin Dueber
Kristy Ketcher
Alesha Moonen
Becky Rohlik
Rachel Zimmerman
CLARINET
Chrissy Diethelm
Katie Ertl
Cara Radde
Amy Westlund
Sara Worm
Brittany Molnau
Nicole Sullivan
ALTO SAXOPHONE

Shelley Bergmann
Pete Buckingham
Cassie Dunn
Carissa Froyum
Anita Lehrke
Kelly Jo Sletten
TENOR SAXOPHONE
Leigh Anne Brahee
Jill Lee
Laura Richardson
Shawn Wagener
Steve Minor
BARITONE SAXOPHONE
Jon Rightler
TRUMPET
Paul DeGrote
Josh Grandy
Kyle Kosieracki

Jessica Kunkel
Michael Leen
Joshua Pauly
Craig Peterson
Tim Plihal
Angel Pruden
Jesse Rightler
Chad Schmitz
Darin Wyant
TROMBONE
Laura Brahee
Wes Bruemmer
Kris Froyum
Nick Geller
Adam Hocutt
Paul Peterson
TUBA
Jeremiah Hocutt

Kevin Kolb
PERCUSSION
Jennifer DeGrote
John Gilbert
Augie Herling
Andrew Kerber
Nikki Passentino
Elizabeth Roebke
Jill Roeser
Kris Sjodin
Nate Pesch
Ryan Schultz
AM SQUAD
Wendy Ahlbrecht
Casey Coulson
Chad Kosieracki
Jenna Kunkel
Kelly Leen

Jessie LeMoine
Krystle Weinzierl
FLAG
Angie Erdmann
Niccole Gingras
Leah Herling
Misty Hiben
Kim Kirsch
Kelly Klosterman
Julie Lahr
Stacey Leen
Heather Luedloff
Sarah Meuleners
Darbi Moll
Tricia Wilson



Mock Trial, Winter Guard Provide Winter Activities

This year's mock trial case involved a student who claimed harassment against a teacher. The team received a book with six witness affidavits, case law and other rules of mock trial. They then prepared both sides of the case because in competition, they could be either the plaintiff or the defendant in the case.

The team practiced three days a week from November through February. The first actual trial took place in late January, with a total of four

competitions for the season. The team argued their side in a real courtroom with two judges. They were scored in twelve categories, with the team having the most points declared the winner.

New at WHS was winter guard, which consisted of 17 members using flags and rifles while moving to a variety of music. Winter guard performed at two competitions, Monticello and Willmar, and at two home boys basketball games.

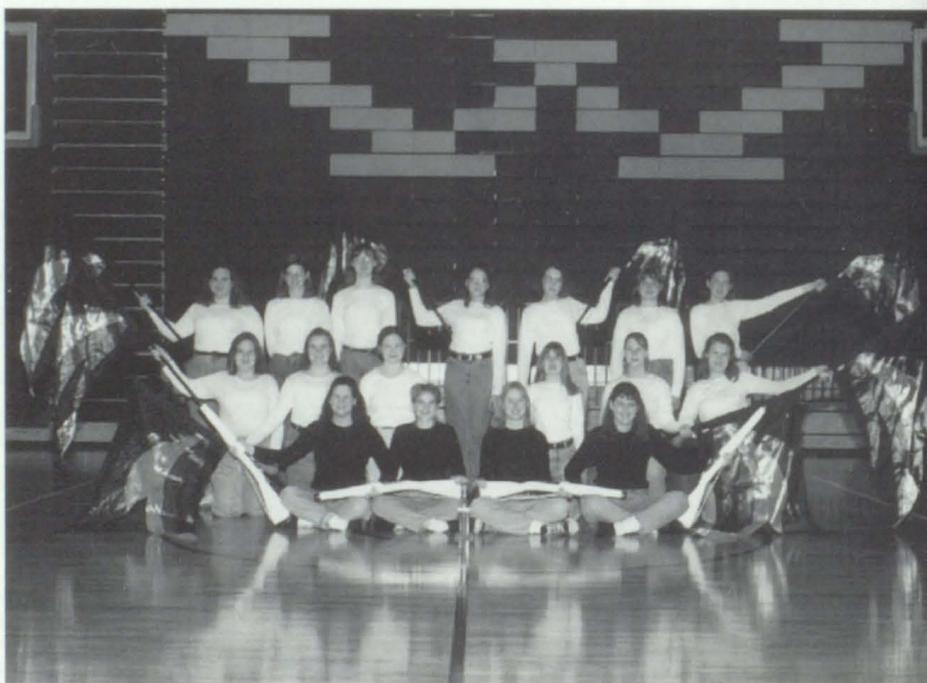


Top. Sophomore Dan Flies takes the stand as a witness in the case.

Above. Sarah Flies, Mary Roebke, Cassie Dunn, and Kristin Dueber prepare their case.

Above right. Mock Trial. Back: Ian Hill, Kristin Dueber, Cassie Dunn, Elke Koosmann. Center: Jon LaValle, Dan Flies, Angel Pruden, Shawn Linton. Front: Sarah Flies, Kristy Ketcher, Stacy Steinhagen.

Right. Winter Guard. Back: Shona Hoops, Kristin Kiefert, Rachelle Rosin, Wendy Ahlbrecht, Jenna Kunkel, Kelly Leen, Alicia Golembeski. Center: Desiree Schesso, Krystle Weinzierl, Leah Herling, Genny Poppler, Brittany Molnau, Jessica Lemoine. Front: Sarah Meuleners, Kim Kirsch, Stacey Leen, Niccole Gingras.



Council Busy with Services, School Tours

This year's student council was one of the hardest working councils ever. With the opening of the new school came a whole new set of responsibilities for the members. The members had to act as tour guides and student greeters for those who were visiting the school.

The student council also organized the blood drive and the food drive. They took part in Teacher Appreciation Week, homecoming week, National Education Week, and American Education Week.

Top. Leia Christoffer and Erin Schulz offer Mr. Snobl a balloon for Teacher Appreciation Week.

Left. Ben Melcher donates his blood for a blood drive sponsored by the student council.

Below. Student Council. Back: Mike Cebulla, Nicole Decker, Craig Peterson, Andy Kerber, Dan Flies, Molly Bailey, Leia Christoffer, Karissa Sjodin, Erin Schulz. Front: Stacy Steinhagen, Jenny Oscarson, Amber Christenson, Bria Knutson, Marin Fogerty, Travis Radel, Mr. Fredericksen.



NHS Inducts Twenty-Seven Members

The National Honor Society is an organization for students who want to achieve more in their lives. Students must have a GPA of 8.5 or higher to qualify for membership in NHS. Students must also participate in at least two extracurricular activities, and must help the community by doing volunteer work.

This year the induction ceremonies were held on November 21, 1994. NHS honored twenty-seven new members.

Below right. Mr. Fredericksen congratulates Jim Radde for his acceptance into the National Honor Society.



Top. Seniors. Back: Ryan Schultz, Matt Yost, Tracy Keaveny, Matt Geller, Laura Brahee, Shelley Bergmann, Jeff Cloninger, Josh Winter. Center: Angie Schuette, Kristin Dueber, Amber Christenson, Jessica Radde, Brad Reichenberger, Chad Lehrke, Mike Elling. Front: Angel Pruden, Sarah Meuleners, Heather Luedloff, Jenny DeGrote, Paul DeGrote, Cara Radde, Mary Roebke.

Above. Juniors. Back: Amy Westlund, Becky Leppard, Alesha Moonen, Jessica Kunkel, Kris Froyum, Paul Peterson, Jared Dreier. Center: Sara Worm, Jill Thurk, Wes Bruemmer, Jerry Laumann, Daryl Traver, Marcus Poppler, Andrew Christianson. Front: Molly Bailey, Kari Freshwater, Gina Logelin, Sara Fisk, Sarah Long, Darin Wyant, Eric Janski.

Right. Sophomores. Back: Rebecca Rohlik, Chrissy Diethelm, Stacey Leen, Leigh Anne Brahee, Carissa Froyum, Kevin Kolb, Josh Pauly. Center: Karen Kranz, Laura Richardson, Angie Roepke, Jay Elliot, Travis Radel, Jessica Drapcho, Anita Lehrke. Front: Lacey Bresnahan, Nicole Decker, Matt Hoelz, Brandon Newman, Jim Radde, Dan Flies, Tony Hoen.



Yearbook Staff Edits 1st Edition of Pawprints

The WHS yearbook staff began the year with the task of selecting a new name for the former **Chieftain**. After three all-school votes, **Pawprints** was chosen as the new name for the Waconia Wildcats' yearbook.

The staff met weekly to work on their sections of the book, and every-

one tried to incorporate the theme, "Where the Wildcats Roam," into their designs and copy. The new building and the continuing construction became the focus of the staff members' attention. The first edition of **Pawprints** reflected the beginning of a new era for Waconia High School

students.

Below left. Editors Jessica Kes and Sarah Meuleners, who never agree on anything, argue about another picture layout.



Above. Kim Kirsch and Amy Raether decide which pictures to use for their next layout.

Below left. Alesha Moonen works on her sports section for the yearbook.

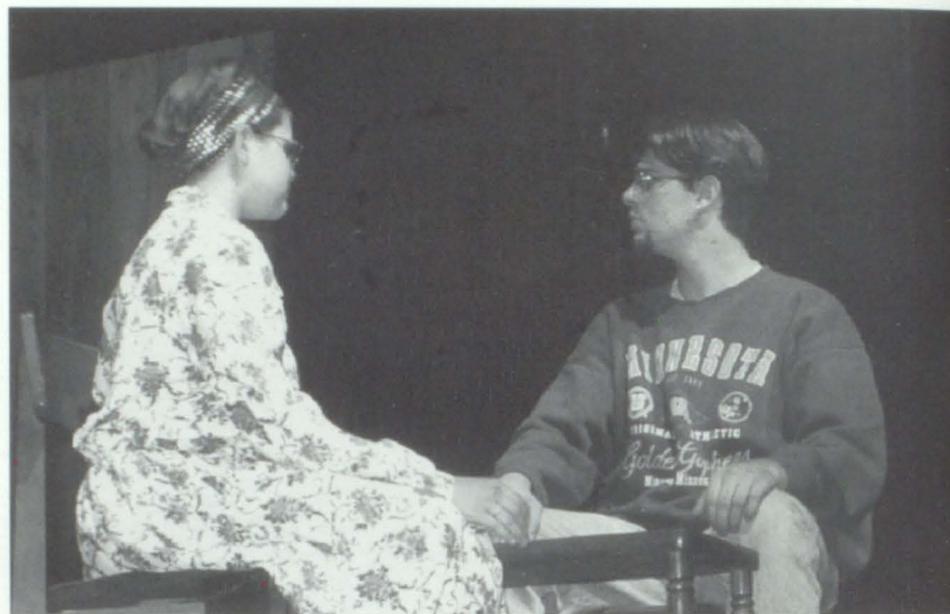
Left. Yearbook Staff. Front: Niccole Gingras, Stacey Leen, Amy Raether, Laura Richardson, Karen Kranz, Rosie Schrempf, Melissa Nelson, Angie Schuette, Becky Rohlik. Back: Editors Angel Pruden, Sarah Meuleners, Jessica Kes; Kim Kirsch, Alesha Moonen, Amy Westlund, Elke Koosman, Kaisa Niilo-Rama, Chrissy Diethelm.



'Jury Room' Brings Trial to Stage

In the spring play, "The Jury Room," the twelve cast members played jury members deciding the fate of a murder suspect named Julie Fletcher. The suspect was believed to have killed her uncle Adrian because he didn't approve of her boyfriend. During the course of the play many other suspects were found, and the play had a surprise ending.

Directed by Beth Schaefer, the play was performed in the high school auditorium on April 27-28.



Top. Jury members Kari Laabs, Brittany Molnau, Ben Pauly, and Augie Herling contemplate the case.

Above. The two old ladies (Meredith Free and Karla Lindemann) pretend to be sick while the actress (Sara Fisk) tries to tell them that she didn't poison the tea and cookies.

Above right. Brunette (Kari Laabs) tells Uncle Adrian's (Matt Yost) future.

Play Cast. Kari Laabs, Sara Fisk, Brittany Molnau, Ben Pauly, Augie Herling, Matt Yost, Sarah Meuleners, Angel Pruden, Josh Pauly, Derrick Kast, Meredith Free, Karla Lindemann.



Diverse Interests Served by FFA, Writers Group

This year's FFA showed cattle at the county and state fairs and participated in judging contests throughout the year. They won many awards, including Grand Champion at the Minnesota State Fair for their FFA Landscape Design Booth and first place for Grade Holstein as a chapter group at the state fair.

In addition, they attended the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. As a service project,

they sponsored a corn drive for Camp Courage in which they collected money and corn from area farmers and sent the profits to Camp Courage.

FFA officers included president Marcus Poppler, vice president Greg Hoen, secretary Daryl Traver, treasurer Scott Mesenbring, reporter Jerry Laumann, and sentinel Jeff Brueggemeier.

The 1995 Writers Conference

Group was headed by Ms. Schellack. Participating students submitted two pages of any kind of original literary material which was then compiled into a book put together by several schools. On April 11, students from these schools got together at the Landscape Arboretum to share their works and talk with professional writers, poets, and playwrights.



Above. Writers Group. Back: Sam Miller, Dan Flies, Sarah Meuleners, Ms. Schellack, Jessica Kes. Front: Ian Hill.

Above left. Jessica Kes is the only member of the Writers Group to have participated all four years of high school.

Left. FFA. Back: Tony Ertl, Dan Bedford, Greg Hoen, Jeff Brueggemeier, Chad Menth, Ryan Loehrs, Shaun Boll, Eric Pieper, Eric Gallus, Rich Laumann, Mr. Bjorklund. Center: Ian Hill, Jerry Laumann, Daryl Traver, Marcus Poppler, Lisa Rademacher, Jodi Swedlund, Kathy Wachholz, Jenny Bartholow, Jeremy Broyles, Selmer Olson, Meredith Free. Front: Todd Popelka, Tony Hoen, Daved Anderson, Jeff Bostic, Andy Steinhagen, Jason Schuette.



Science Club, Math League Provide Choices for Students

The WHS Math League had their best year in five years. The team, which consisted of 15 members from grades 9-12, practiced twice a week for their five meets this year. Students answer questions ranging from algebra to pre-calculus. The schools that compete against each other at the Shakopee meets include Northfield, Lakeville, Faribault, and Eden Prairie. During this school year a freshman, Alicia Golembeski, was one point away from the top score. Math League placed 2nd overall in the district. If they place two years in a row they will go to state.

Science Club was added to students' choices of extracurricular activities this year. The club was designed for students who are interested in science and love tinkering with toys. The group traveled to the Science Museum to explore a wide variety of science-related areas. In the spring of 1995 they traveled to the Science Olympiad at Inver Hills Community College. At the Olympiad the students participated in many events, such as tower building, rock and fossil identification, chemical identification, and lab procedures.



Top. Math League. Back: Chrissy Diethelm, Alicia Golembeski, Nick Geller, Laura Brahee, Mr. Sauer, Sam Miller. Front: Adam Hocutt, Brad Reichenberger, Andrew Christianson, Cara Radde, Dan Flies. On floor: Ryan Schultz.
Center left. Dan Flies and Alicia Golembeski work diligently to achieve the answer to the problem.
Center right. Cara Radde yells in disgust over her incorrect math answer.
Bottom. Science Club. Front: Mr. Sauer, Mrs. Kersting, Dan Flies, Amanda Oswald. Center: Kyle Kosieracki, Nikki Passentino, Stacey Leen, Darbi Moll. Back: Ryan Schultz, Cameron Carr, Uri Houg, Eric Janski, Brandon Hoekstra.



FLA Sends Six to National Competition



The WHS chapter of the Future Leaders of America had another great year. Led by adviser Mrs. Phyllis Lehrke and chapter president Shelley Bergmann, FLA members collected multiple awards during the 1994-95 school year.

The junior high parliamentary team — Meghan Foley, Celyn Oakman, Craig Peterson, Elizabeth Roebke, Paul Rohlik, and Shona Hoops — advanced to national competition in Washington, D. C. The senior high parliamentary team lost their bid for national competition by

only .5 point. In the Job Interview category, Nathan Pesch and Genya Metzen were among the finalists for the nationals. The Mixed Vocal Sextette was the only talent group invited to perform for the opening general session. Waconia also claimed 12 state and national awards in the Power of One competition; students competing included Shelley Bergmann, Laura Brahee, Jeff Cloninger, Brent Coulson, Jenny DeGrote, Paul DeGrote, Jeff Cloninger, Matt Geller, Jerry Hocutt, Token Oakman, Brad Reichenberger, and Josh Winter.



Top. FLA adviser Mrs. Lehrke, student adviser Laura Brahee, and chapter president Shelley Bergmann are pictured at state competition.

Center left. Sarah Grote and Angela Hatz received special recognition for their speech on eating disorders.

Above. Ninth Grade FLA Members. Back: Craig Peterson, Adam Hocutt, Sarah Grote, Angela Hatz. Front: Paul Rohlik, Elizabeth Roebke, Kristy Ketcher.

Left. FLA Members. Back: Eric Janski, Kari Freshwater, Laura Brahee, Josh Winter, Jerry Hocutt. Center: Genya Metzen, Kristin Dueber, Shelley Bergmann, Jon LaValle, Brad Reichenberger, Cara Radde, Jeff Cloninger. Front: Kristie Morton, Jenny DeGrote, Paul DeGrote.

Prom, A Magical Evening

Prom is considered an elegant, magical evening by most, but it's a lot more. The 1995 prom took place at the Shakopee Ballroom, and the post prom was held at Grand Slam. Live entertainment at Grand Slam included a magician who, along with the help of a few WHS students who were put under hypnosis, caused the audience to laugh hysterically for a greater part of the evening.

Prom was more than elegant and magical. It was fun!

Right. Jeff Cloninger and Cara Radde are decked out for their exciting evening.

Below. Shelley Bergmann and Ryan Schultz smile for the camera before their fun-filled night.

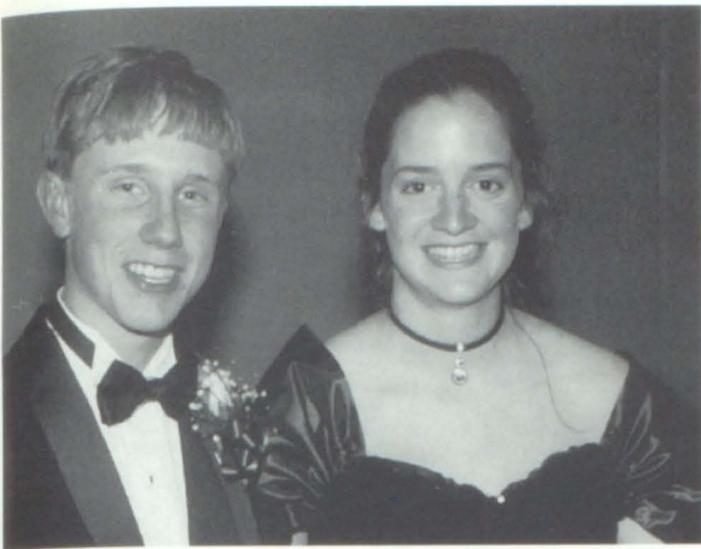
Below right. Prom goes pose for one of many pictures.



Left. Darin Wyant and Sarah Meuleners enjoy the evening.

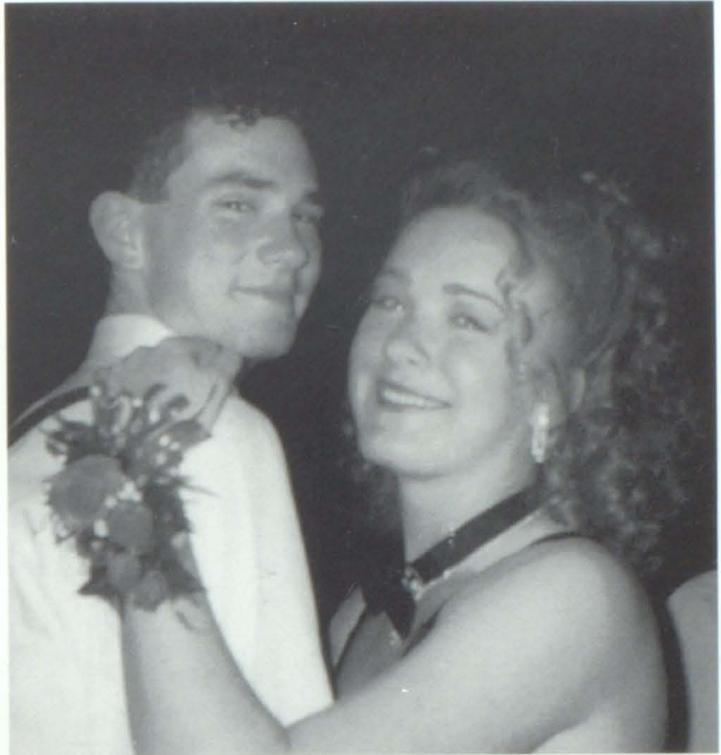
Above. Jon LaValle plays with the table decorations.





Below. Uri Houg and Jenny DeGrote dance the night away at the Shakopee Ballroom.

Left. Andrew Christianson and his date show their excitement over the evening.



Left center. Is it the three musketeers? No, it's Sarah Long, Sara Fisk, and Sara Worm.

Left. Angela Hatz laughs at her date Matt Yost.

Above. Did Brad Reichenberger catch prom fever or just the prom confetti?



'95 Class First to Graduate from New School

The WHS class of 1995 graduated at a ceremony held on June 4, 1995, in the new Waconia High School gym. Of the 110 graduates, thirty-one graduated with honors. Speakers at the ceremony included valedictorian Jeff Clonger, salutatorian Laura Brahee, and class president Amber Christenson.

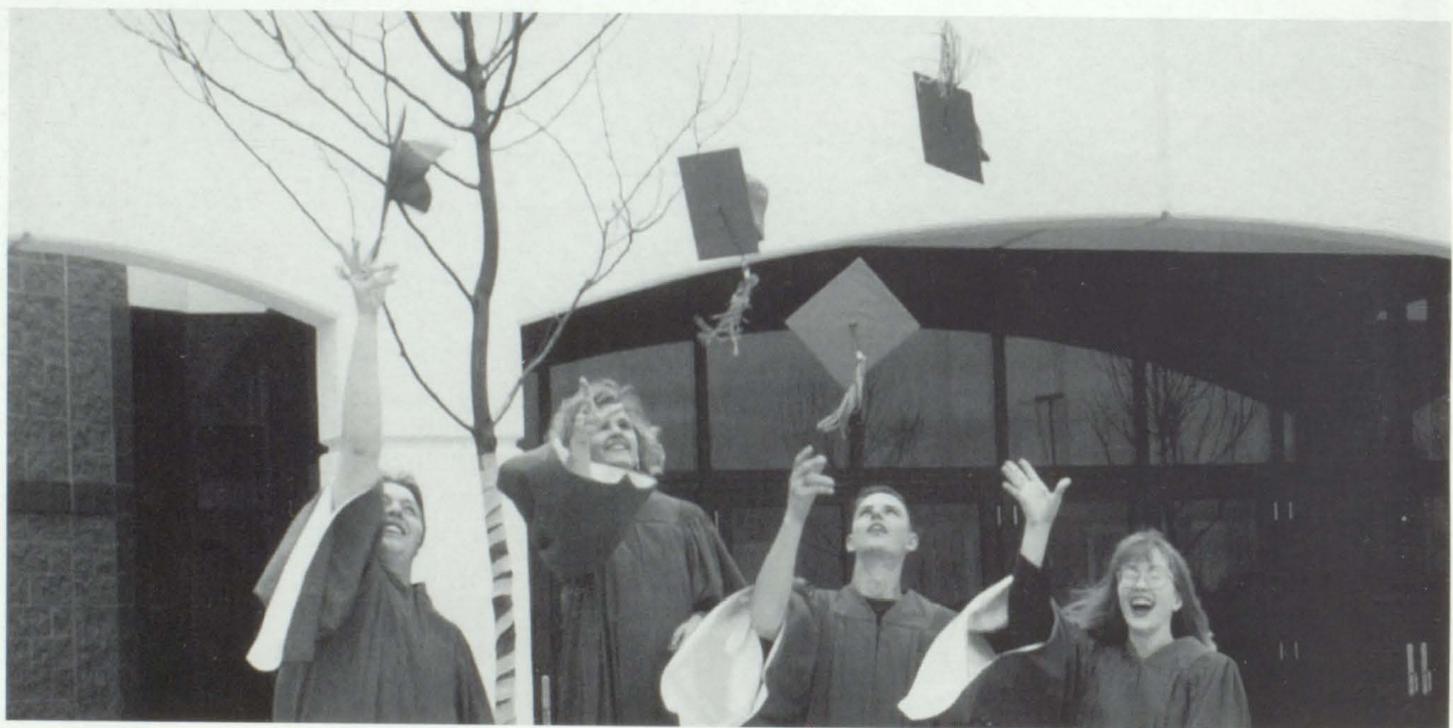
Class Motto: "To achieve all that is possible, we must attempt the impossible. To be as much as we can be, we must dream of being more."

Class Song: "So Hard to Say Goodbye to Yesterday"

Below. Jenny Bannister and Mike Miller walk out the doors for the last time in their high school career.

Below left. Sylvia Ularic, foreign exchange student from Germany, receives her diploma and congratulations from principal Mark Fredericksen.

Bottom. Ecstatic seniors Mike Leen, Jenna Elling, Chad Lehrke, and Genya Metzen throw their caps as they graduate.



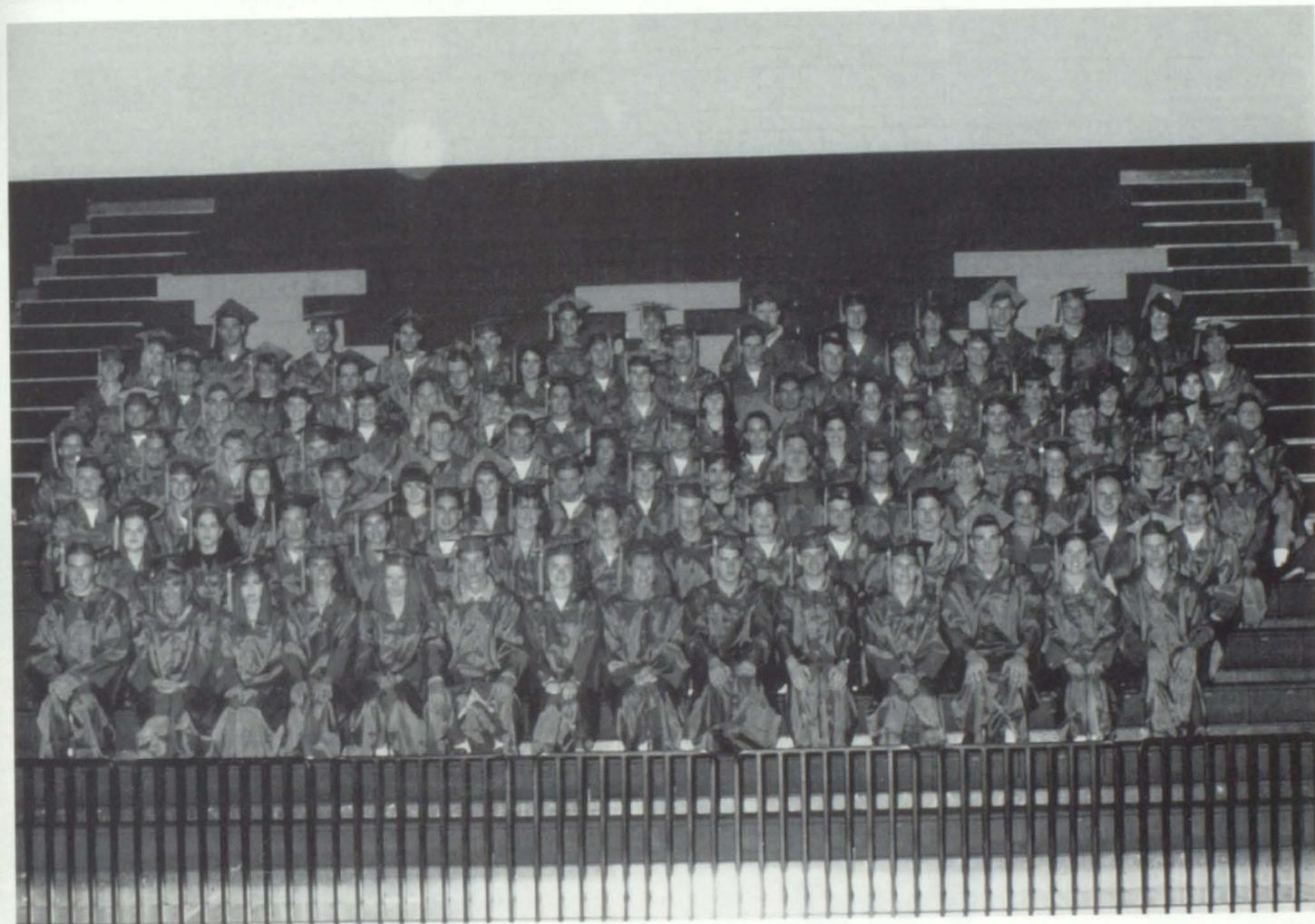


Class Flower: White Rose
Class Colors: Gold and Black

Left. Cassie Dunn and Jeff Selander kick back after the graduation exercises.

Below. Holly Caviness and Dan Burandt congratulate each other on graduation day.

Bottom. The Waconia High School class of 1995.



WILDCATS ROAM: SPORTS

Sports are exciting and help develop school spirit! This year Waconia sports teams saw many headlines. For example, the boys basketball team won second place in subsections against Minnehaha Academy. The girls basketball team finished second in conference. And the wrestling team sent three members to state, one capturing first place in his division.

Whether students are on a team or compete in an individual sport, sports give students a chance to work with others and to show their athletic ability.

The involvement and accomplishment of students in athletics at WHS help add to our famous Waconia Wildcat spirit.



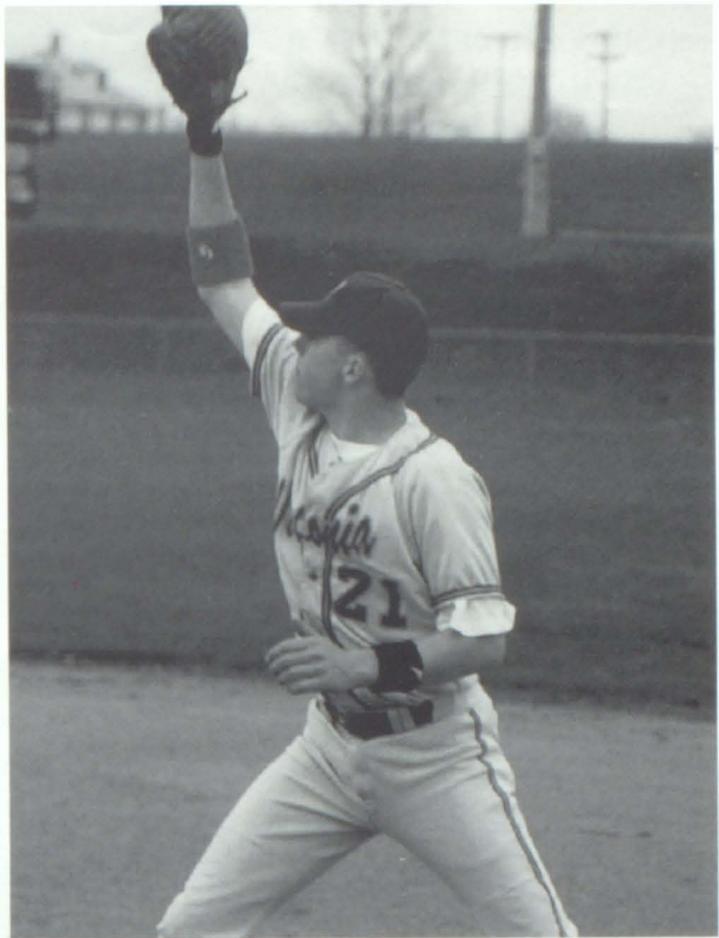
Top. Cadee Burau demonstrates her gymnastic skills perfectly.

Above. Teri Schneider drives past Glencoe's defense with great athletic skill.



Above. Amanda Richardson and Katie Ertl stride forward toward the finish line.





Top. Kevin Laumann runs his fastest to win his relay.

Above. The Waconia Wildcats football team gets ready to breeze by the STMA Knights.

Top right. Steve Marsden reaches up in the air to catch a pop fly.

Above. Melissa Maas cheers on at the pre-coronation pepfest.



Team Rebuilds in '94 Season

This year was a year of rebuilding for the Waconia football team. With only three seniors, the team was built around twenty juniors.

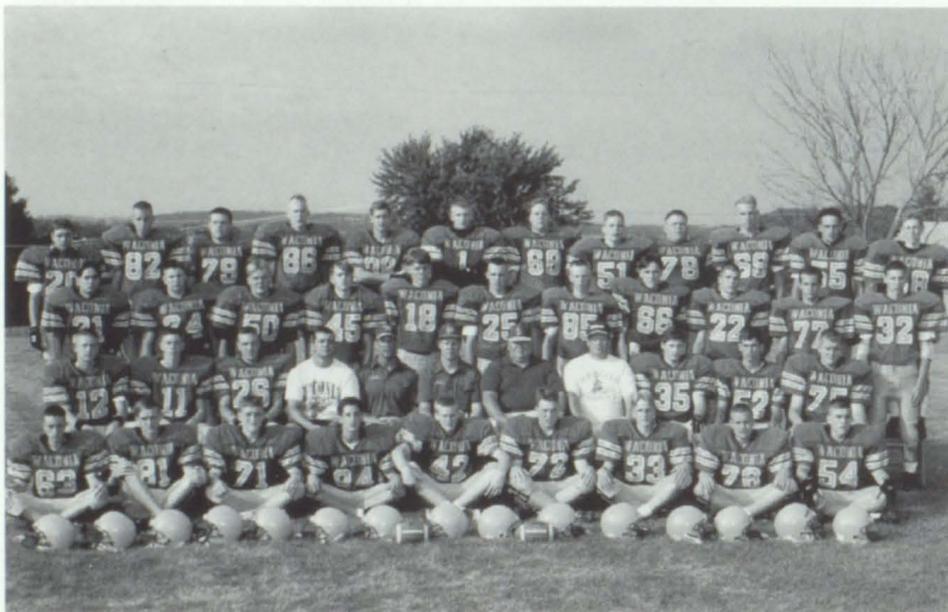
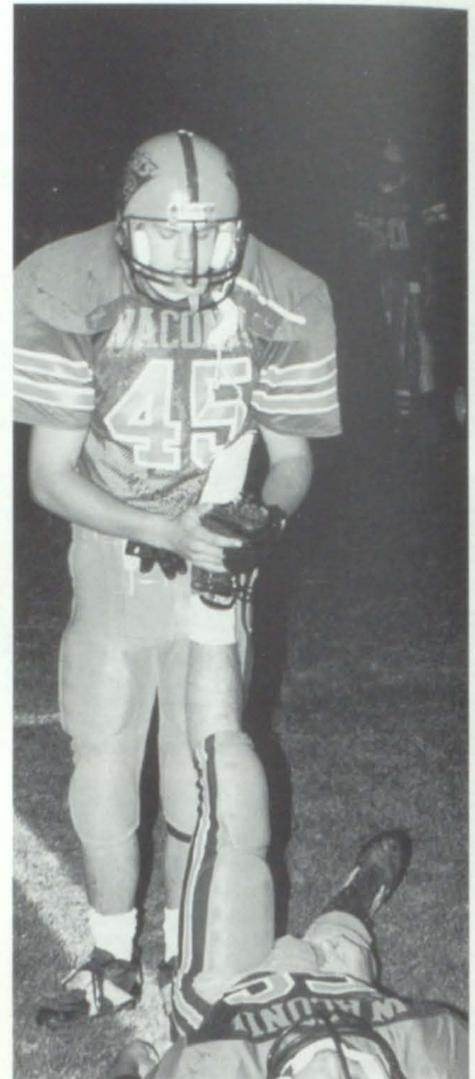
The highlight of the season came when the Waconia Wildcats took on the #2 seed De La Salle Islanders in the Section 5B playoffs. The Wildcats ended with a disappointing 22 to 20 loss.

However, the season record does not reflect how hard the guys played, and doesn't account for the effort put out by them.

Coach Pat Foley summed up the season, "Success in high school football usually starts with your seniors. We only had three, which made it difficult for success."



Right. Ryan Christoffer punts the ball to the Knights.



Varsity Football. Back: Jared Dreier, Derek Stoldt, Mike Peoples, K.C. Hedin, Jaime Mackenthun, Brian Melby, Mike Leen, Jake Streeter, Adam Knodel, Kris Sjodin, Jon Rightler, Scott Hanson. Third row: Joe Cox, Mike Lewis, Joe Meyer, Kris Froyum, Robby Hustad, Steve Marsden, Dan Reitsma, Chad Schmitz, Joe Streeter, Bryan Hipp, Eric Janski. 2nd row: Brandon Bussler, Ryan Arndt, Ryan Christoffer, Coach Snobl, Coach Olson, Coach Foley, Coach Froyum, Coach Hullander, Tony Oswald, Tim Bode, Bill Cooley. Front: Matt Maas, Bill Worm, Kevin Kolb, Joe Hedin, Dave Perrill, Jason Schuette, Nate Furman, Ryan Dannewitz.

Below. Kris Froyum helps Wes Bruemmer stretch before a game.

Varsity Football

WHS		OPP
14	Minnehaha Academy	12
0	Delano	8
0	Glencoe	28
0	Watertown	29
20	Annandale	30
14	Rockford	20
12	STMA	34
12	Dassel	30
20	DeLaSalle	22



Below. Dan Reitsma carries the ball.
 Right. Captain Mike Leen is cheered on as an offensive starter.



Top Five Favorite Friday Night Activities of the Football Team:

5. Play Football
4. Sleep
3. Lick Wounds
2. Copy Homework
1. Visit the Emergency Room



Above left. Robby Hustad scopes out his receiver.
 Left. Scott Hanson uses his magical powers to make the STMA offense fall to their knees.
 Top. Joe Streeter sidesteps a fallen teammate.
 Above. K.C. Kedin runs the ball for a Wildcat first down.

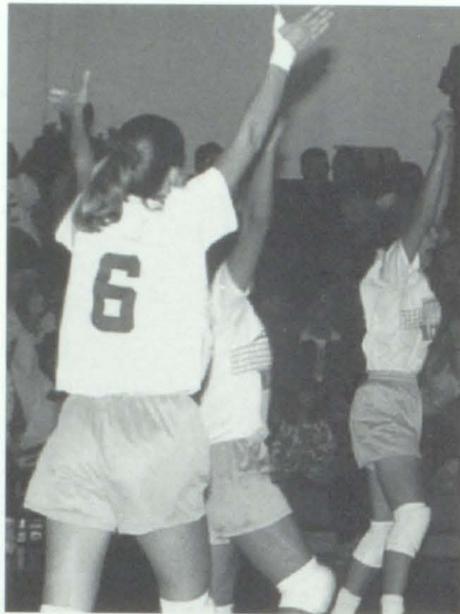
Volleyball Team Ends Season With a Winning Record

The volleyball team had an outstanding year. They finished the season with an 18-9 record. The team was young, having only one senior, captain Kristin Dueber. The highlight of the season was the win against STMA, who had not lost any other conference games. Erin Schulz ended the season with 273 kills out of 634 attempts for a hitting average of .230. Leia Christoffer completed the season with the highest serving percentage of 95.3% efficiency.

Captain Kristin Dueber was awarded the Wildcat award. Erin Schulz was voted All-Conference and player of the year. Leia Christoffer was server of the year, and most improved defensive player of the year went to Teri Schneider.

In Coach Connie Manuel's opinion,

"We are a young team, so the potential to be a top contender next year looks good."



Below. Leia Christoffer cheers after making the game point.
Below left. Volleyball team members cheer as they score another point.



Varsity Volleyball. Back: Leia Christoffer, Teri Schneider, Jill Lee. Center: Coach Kim Ryan, Traci Theis, Molly Bailey, Becky Wagener, Alyssa Kes, Deborah Worm. Front: Coach Connie Manuel, Kristin Wiebe, Cindy Storms, Erin Schulz, Kristin Dueber.

Varsity Volleyball

WHS		OPP
3	MoundWestonka	0
0	Annandale	3
3	Centennial	0
3	Dassel	0
2	Eden Prairie	3
1	Watertown	3
2	Buffalo Lake	3
3	Rockford	2
3	Mayer Lutheran	2
3	STMA	1
3	Delano	0
3	Glencoe	2
3	Shakopee	0
3	MoundWestonka	0
1	Mayer Lutheran	3





Close-Up: Kristin Dueber

1. What do you enjoy most about playing volleyball?

"When we had a really great practice. Also the games were a lot of fun."

2. How do you keep in shape physically?

"By running, lifting weights, and other aerobic activities."

3. Do you plan to continue your volleyball career in college?

"Possibly on an intramural team."

4. What do you feel was your most important role as team captain?

"To try my best to be a good role model and to be encouraging."

Left. Teammates Teri Schneider, Molly Bailey, and Erin Schulz cheer for the great volley. **Below.** Captain Kristin Dueber serves the ball with skill.



Above. Alyssa Kes and Erin Schulz block another spike for the Wildcats.

Right. Molly Bailey, Traci Theis, Becky Wagener, Cindy Storms, and Jill Lee watch intently for their team's next move.

Cross Country's Fourth Year Is 40 Members Strong

The fourth year for WHS's cross country team was their most successful. The team consisted of 40 members. Both the boys and the girls went on to sections. Waconia also sent Becky Leppard to state where she finished 36 out of 137.

Many of the athletes improved their scores this year. Josh Winter improved his three-mile time by two minutes. Jon McCall and Amanda Richardson also greatly improved

their scores. Josh Winter and Becky Leppard broke school records in the conference meet at Glencoe.

The team will be losing seven seniors this year, including Ryan Schultz, Uri Houg, Captains Jenny DeGrote, Paul DeGrote, Josh Winter, Amber Christenson, and Mary Roebke.

The motto of the cross country team this year was "Attitude is everything!"

Below left. The girls prepare for the start of the race.

Below. Becky Leppard shows her strength as she sprints to the finish line.



Cross Country Team. Front: Chad Kosieracki, Melissa Ditsch, Cristy Jensen, Kate Wasness, Karyn Laulainen, Julie Hoen, Ben Pauly, Josh Hartmann, Heather Anderson. 2nd row: Greg Kranz, Scott Marsden, Brian Hedtke, Katie Ertl, Andrea Lefler, Dustin Lubitz, Ben Berendt, Emily Streeter, Darbi Moll. 3rd row: Jamie Klosterman, Lincoln Maiser, Matt Hoelz, Kyle Kosieracki, Kevin Laumann, Amanda Richardson, Becky Leppard, Dave Ebersviller, Jon McCall, Ken Kelly, Josh Pauly, Karen Kranz. Back: Mark Plewka, Jim Radde, Eric Wasness, Paul DeGrote, Ryan Schultz, Uri Houg, Kris Barnekow, Josh Winter, Mary Roebke, Amber Christenson, Jenny DeGrote, Tom Gerding, Clark Machtemes.



Below. The Waconia guys' cross country wait for the gun.

Center. Mary Roebke and Amber Christenson sweat their way to the finish line.



What is your favorite thing to do on long bus rides to the meets?

Amber Christenson: When we make D.Q. stops.

Uri Houg: Talk with friends, listen to music, and play Magic.



What do you remember most about the season?

Amber: Getting beat on by the guys in soccer, and cemetery hill.

Uri: Hard but fun practices, and soccer day.

Why do you enjoy cross country?

Amber: You get to meet a lot of people and have short practices.

Uri: Cross country combines fun and exercise. I remember Coach Machtemes pushing me harder, saying "Let it go on the hills."



Below left. Jon McCall feels the burn as Josh Winter focuses on the last leg of the race.

Below. Kevin Laumann collapses with a smile on his face.



Young Squads Cheer Cats

The 1994-95 school year was a challenging year for the cheerleaders. Not only were they a young squad, but they also had to cope with the teams' name change. Even with these difficulties, the squads performed very well, and were appreciated by the players and fans for all of the pep they added to games.

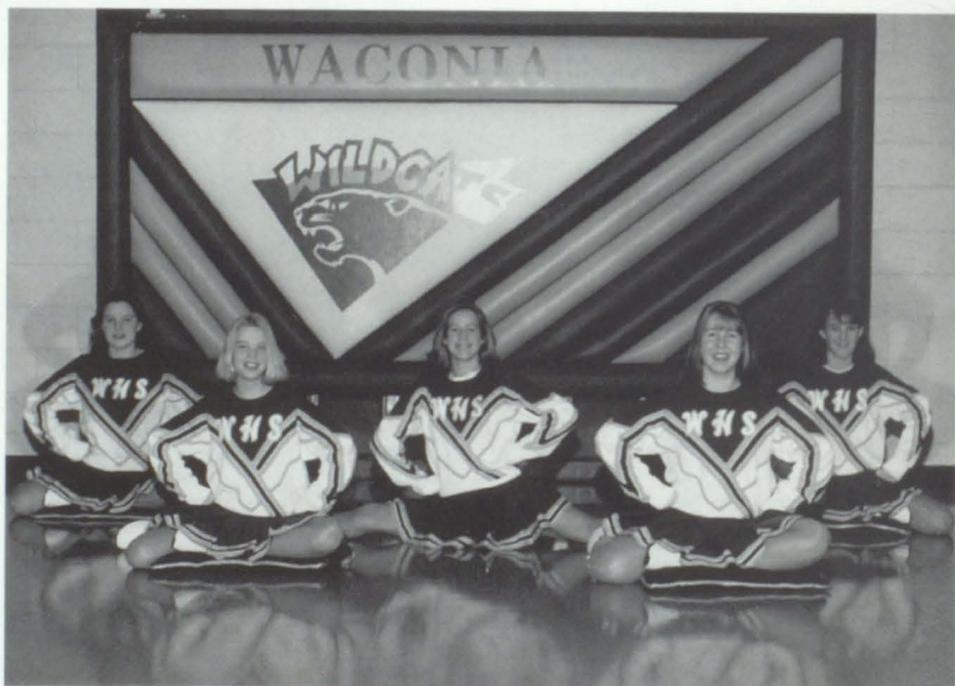


Top. Fall Cheerleaders. Back: Angela Hatz, Ryan Gulden. Center: Sarah Orth, Shelley Bergmann, Celyn Oakman. Front: Kelly Klosterman, Sherry Schlechter, Melissa Maas, Sara Worm.

Above. Basketball Cheerleaders. Kelly Klosterman, Shelley Bergmann, Celyn Oakman, Angela Hatz, Sara Worm.

Above right. Celyn Oakman cheers enthusiastically at a winter pep fest.

Right. Wrestling Cheerleaders. Front: Jill Roeser, Ryan Gulden. Back: Bethany Brockpahler, Katie Ertl, Sherry Schlechter.





Danceline Places 4th at State

The Waconia Lakettes kicked hard and high this year as they prepared for team competition. Coached by Dawn Swiers and Angie Brown, the three freshmen, five sophomores, four juniors, and six seniors prepared from September to February, increasing practice time as competition neared.

The danceline competed a jazz/funk routine at Elk River and Duluth, and a high kick routine at the University of Minnesota. On February 25-26, the group competed at the State Danceline Competition; they performed "Somebody's Gonna Praise His Name," and placed fourth.



Top. The Waconia Lakettes dance their way into the hearts of fans.

Above left. Tracy Moldenhauer beams during her performance at the half-time show.

Above. Danceline members show enthusiasm during a performance.

Left. Waconia Lakettes. Front: Barb Franke, Berit Hanson, Jenny Oscarson, Holly Caviness, Tracy Moldenhauer, Michelle Hartmann. Center: Emily Bodahl, Nicole Meuwissen, Lea Ann Hilik, Leia Christoffer, Jamie Zehnder. Back: Kori Schultz, Mariah Davis, Christine Cramer, Jenny Lee, Lindsey Lehrke, Jenny Bartholow.



Boys Have Excellent Year, Become Conference Champs

The Waconia boys basketball season was simply great! The team conquered the conference with a record of 12-2. In the fight to state, Waconia beat Benilde-St. Margaret 77-46 and Orono 64-53. On March 10, the Wildcats faced Minnehaha Academy, the game was a fight, Waconia struggled right from the beginning with the referee calls, and eventually ended up losing 58-79.

Coach Sayles described the year as

“a great inaugural season in a new facility with great community support.” The season was pretty much as he expected, although he would have liked to make it to the regions at St. Cloud State. When asked to list his key players, Coach Sayles listed the entire team!

Returning next year for the Wildcats will be four starters, who will be ready to fight with the same fire as this year’s team.

Below. Jesse Roush and Coach Sayles watch the winning Wildcats play.



Varsity Basketball



Varsity Boys Basketball. Back: Robby Hustad, Tom Gerding, Andy Streiff, Ryan Arndt, Steve Marsden, Dan Reitsma. Center: K.C. Hedin, Jaime Mackenthun, Mike Cebulla, coach Doug Sayles, Jesse Roush, Mike Elling, Joe Hedin. Front: managers Alex Kranz, Elliot Kranz.

WHS	OPP	OPP
73	Annandale	53
83	Orono	69
56	Mound	45
66	Chaska	62
55	Staples	56
91	Hawley	79
94	Wheaton	83
80	CHOF	55
66	STMA	53
45	Delano	69
65	Dassel	63
60	Glencoe	54
85	Rockford	45
76	Watertown	68
67	Annandale	52
60	STMA	49
48	Delano	63
81	Glencoe	55
55	Morris	61
86	Rockford	49
78	Watertown	43
58	Dassel	47
77	Benilde	46
64	Orono	53
58	Minnehaha	79





Top. The team cheers on captain Mike Cebulla.

Left. The Cardinals go up for the block as Jesse Roush shoots.

Above. Mike Cebulla goes up for the jump to start the game against Annandale.

Below left. Ryan Arndt tries to get past his opponent and down the court.

Below. Steve Marsden attempts two more points for Waconia.



Girls Basketball Prepares for Success On & Off the Court

The girls basketball team completed their most successful season in six years, finishing second in the Wright County Conference. Their key win occurred towards the end of the season when they defeated Rockford 51-42. The team also did well in the Norwood-Young America Christmas Tournament in which they earned consolation championship.

The team worked well together, revolving around not only a few key members, but relying on the entire team. Nine of the eleven players scored in double figures at some point during the season. According to Coach Tracy Johnson, it was a "very

successful and rewarding season with a true team effort."



Right. Teri Schneider runs the ball down the court.



Above. Jessica Kes goes up for the block against the Falcons.



Varsity Girls Basketball. Back: Jenni Hess, Gina Logelin, Erin Schulz, Jessica Drapcho, Teri Schneider, coach Tracy Johnson. Front: Becky Leppard, Teri Lind, Jessica Kes, Jessica Radde, Missy Wagener. Not pictured: manager Melissa Nelson.

Girls Basketball

WHS		OPP
44	Orono	49
44	Dassel	34
40	Annandale	44
44	Mayer Lutheran	55
67	Sibley East	54
46	Jordan	54
61	Delano	33
53	McLeod West	41
28	CHOE	75
48	STMA	37
52	Delano	46
40	Atwater	37
47	Glencoe	60
65	Rockford	53
59	Watertown	45
51	Dassel	33
42	Annandale	47
43	STMA	34
51	Delano	44
43	Glencoe	66
51	Rockford	42
48	Watertown	41
54	Orono	60



Interview: Seniors (Left)

Q: In what ways have you improved your basketball skills throughout the season?

Jessica Kes: "Offensively I have improved in shooting and rebounding, defensively in boxing out and rebounding."

Q: What have you done as a team outside of practice and games and how has it affected the team's performance?

Jessica Radde: "We have played in a league at Normandale Community College during the summer, learning each other's strengths and weaknesses."

Q: What is your greatest obstacle as a player?

Jessica Kes: "Keeping a positive attitude after a bad game or practice."

Jessica Radde: "To be a good role model, leader, and adviser."



Center left. Teri Lind guards her opponent.

Above. Jessica Radde concentrates on making her free throw.

Center right. Coach Tracy Johnson gives the team direction.

Above. Becky Leppard is on the defensive prowl.



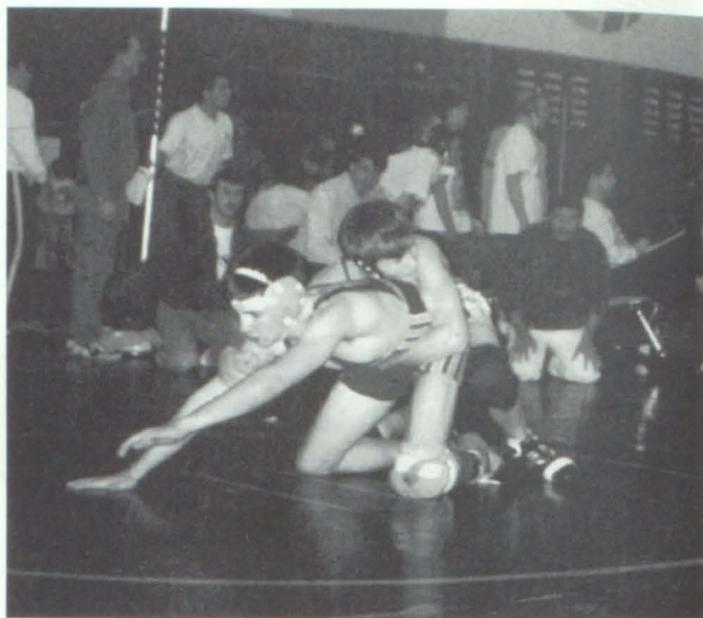
Jeff Ziermann Takes First Place at State

The 1995 wrestling team improved a great deal this year. New coaches Darren Cain and Scott Snobl, plus several experienced upperclassmen on the team, probably contributed to the success.

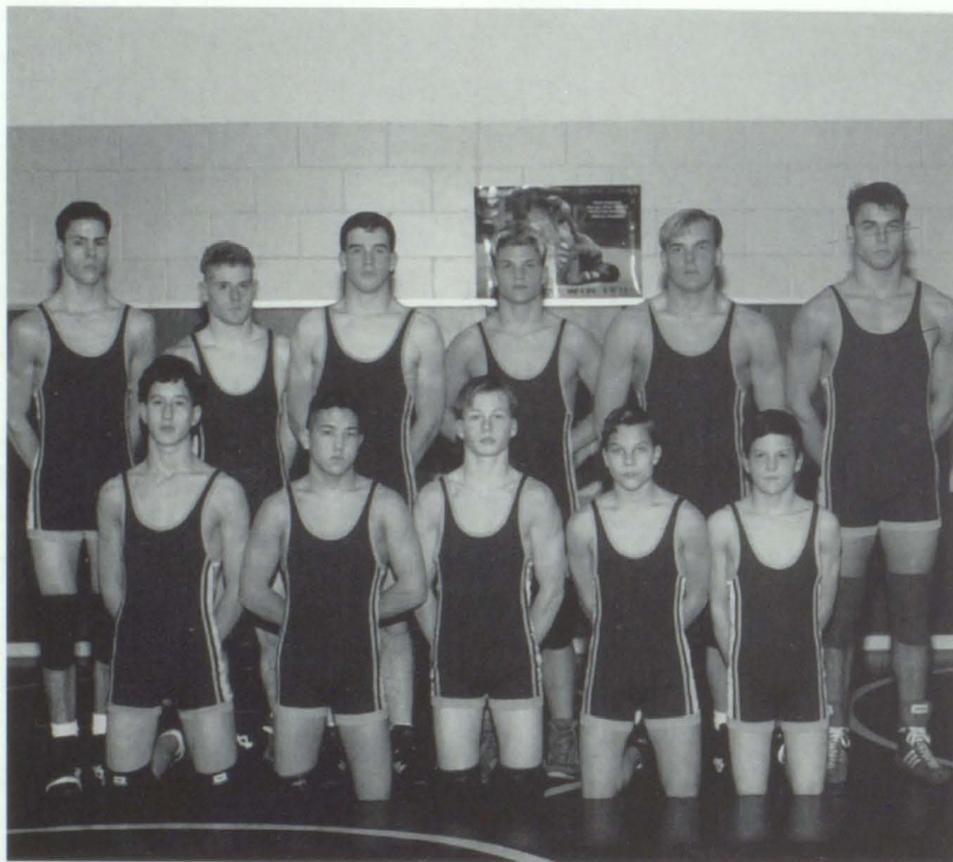
The highlight of the season was sending three wrestlers to state — James Schilling, Shawn Wagener, and Jeff Ziermann. It is the first time this has happened in Waconia's wrestling history.

Coach Cain felt the team "made some real positive strides and had a very successful season going 8-3 this year."

The team was led by five key players. James Schilling finished 28-8 and got 2nd in sections, Kevin Kolb finished 24-13 and got 3rd in sections, Shawn Wagener finished 23-13 and received 2nd in sections, Joe Meyer finished 15-13 and got 3rd in sections, and Jeff Ziermann finished with 34 wins and one loss and won the state championship for his weight.



Above. James Schilling tries to keep his opponent from escaping.

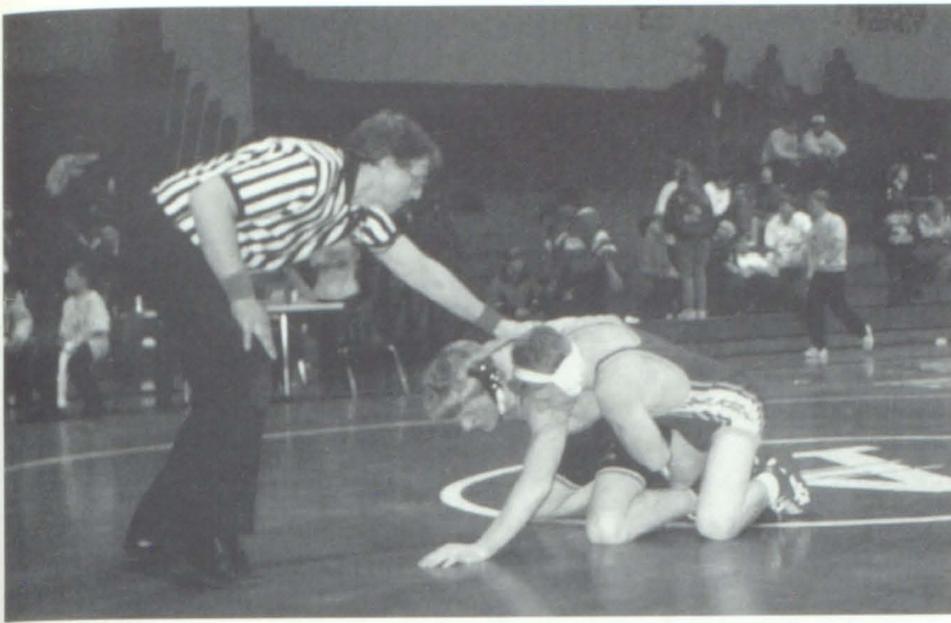


Varsity Wrestling. Front: Kevin Kolb, Joe Volby, James Schilling, Nick Wishnack, Troy Wagener. Back: Cory Schilling, Tony Ertl, Marcus Poppler, Shawn Wagener, Joe Meyer, Jeff Ziermann.

Varsity Wrestling

WHS		OPP
54	Mpls Southwest	15
40	Orono	24
42	Norwood	30
18	Dassel	41
30	Watertown	40
39	Lester Prairie	27
39	Delano	24
34	Annandale	33
9	STMA	51
57	Rockford	9
42	Glencoe	23





Interview: James & Cory Schilling

What is the biggest difference between the old and new school?

James: "A wrestling room and a nice weight room."

Cory: "New equipment and facilities"

What was your highlight of the season?

James: "When I got first in conference."

Cory: "Placing 2nd at the Buffalo Lake tournament where I was expected to take 5th."

How do you deal with the pressure the sport puts on you?

James: "I focus on the match that is about to happen."

Cory: "The pressure pushes me to do better and strive for excellence."

How did you get started in wrestling?

James: "My dad signed me up in the third grade and I never quit."

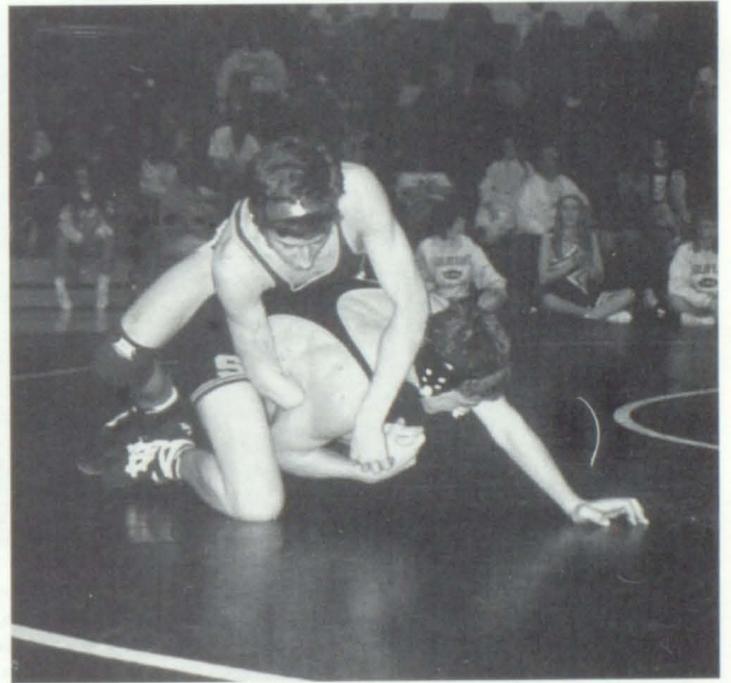
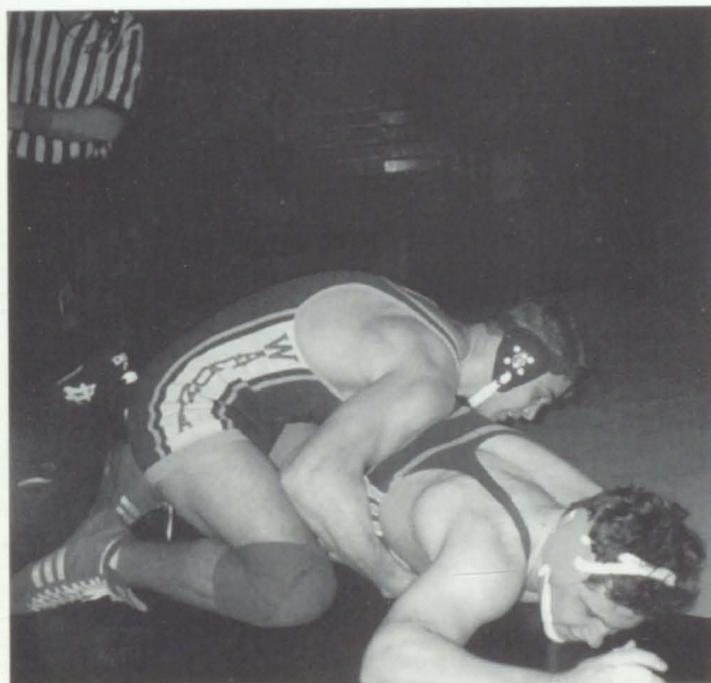
Cory: "James talked me into going out for it."

Top. Tony Ertl waits for the referee to signal the start of the next period.

Left. Shawn Wagener smothers his opponent into the mat.

Below left. Senior Jeff Ziermann wrestles his opponent to the ground.

Below. Sophomore Kevin Kolb concentrates on his next move.



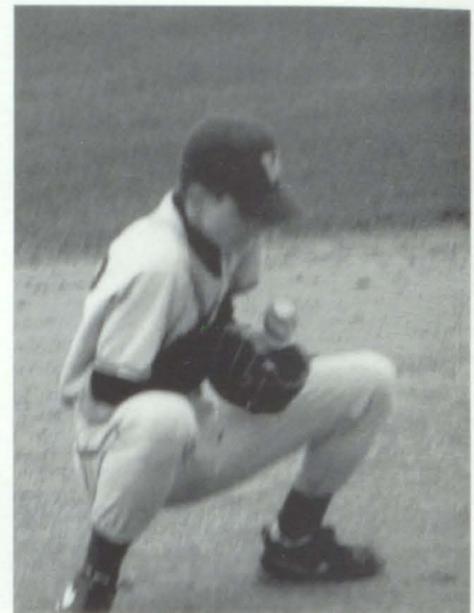
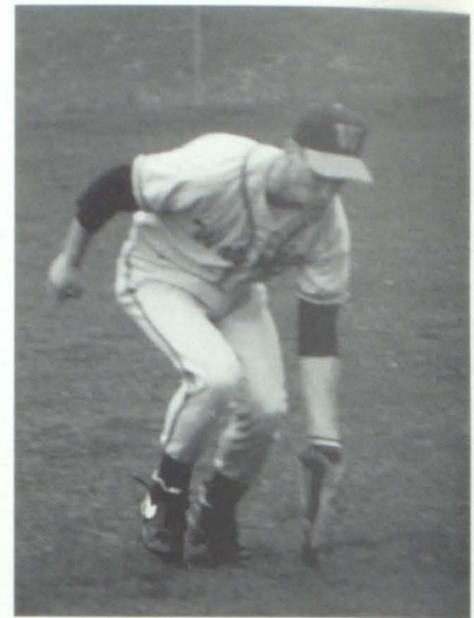
Baseball Season Troubled by Problems in Final Innings

Despite many disappointments, this year's baseball team proved to be strong. The baseball season ended with a 8-11 record. Coach Hullander expected the defense and offense to be inconsistent, and it was. Even though the pitching was good, the final innings of games proved troublesome when the defense didn't come through.

Some of the highlights of the season for the Wildcats included beating Sibley East, the defending Class A state champions, and defeating Shakopee 11-1. In addition, the Wildcats finished third in the Brooklyn Center tournament.

Key players included senior catcher Peter Hilgers, who led the team in hitting; senior pitcher Jeff Selander; and senior outfielder Mike Miller, who was the second best hitter.

Right. Junior Eric Janski gets ready to catch the grounder and get the last out of the inning. **Below.** Peter Hilgers concentrates on the ball coming towards him. **Below right.** Junior Paul Peterson makes the game winning catch.

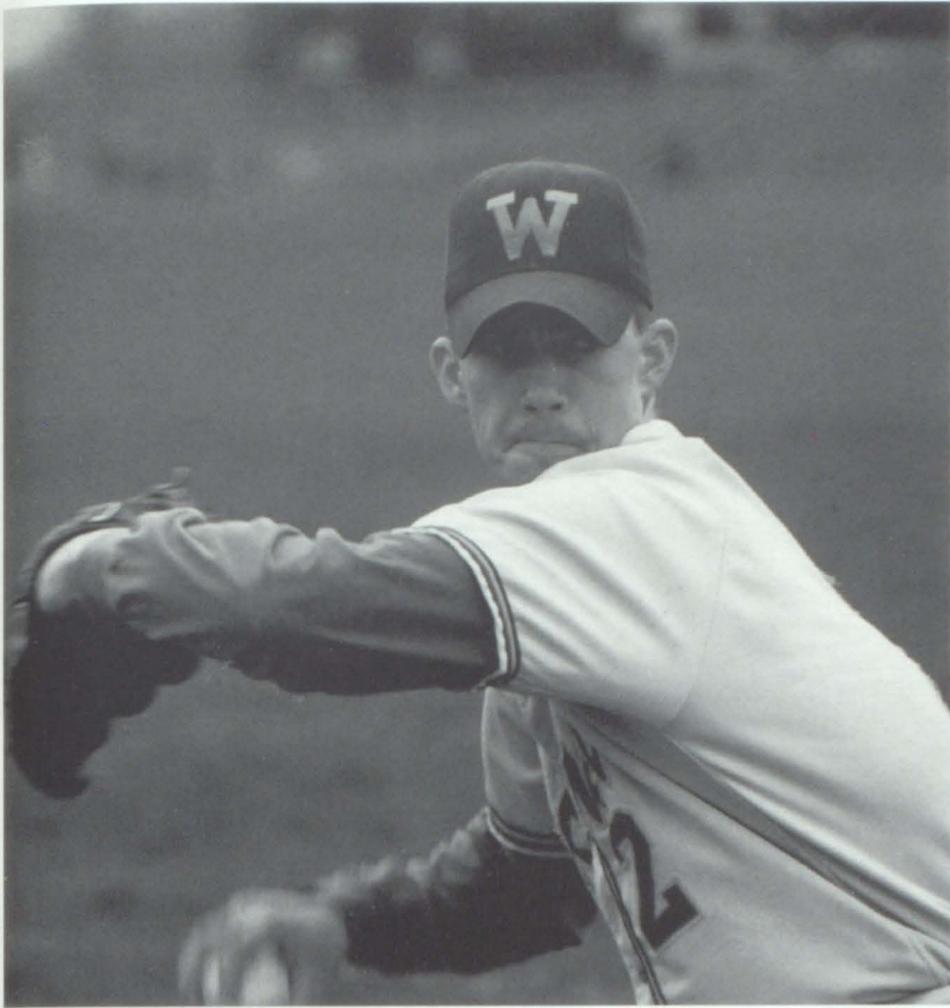


Varsity Baseball. Back: Coach Steve Hullander, Andrew Christianson, Sam Miller, Jason Fritz, Brad Bollmann, Paul Olson, Mike Miller, Jeff Selander, Steve Marsden, Pete Hilgers, Ryan Ebert. Front: Eric Janski, Dan Reitsma, Mike Brown, Bryan Hipp, Randy Koecheler, Wes Bruemmer, Paul Peterson, Chad Schmitz, Brad Grams, Jared Dreier, Scott Hanson.

Varsity Baseball

WHS		OPP
15	Belle Plaine	1
5	Orono	7
11	Shakopee	1
4	Delano	8
2	Dassel	4
8	Chaska	9
0	Glencoe	4
0	Mound	10
2	Rockford	6
13	Annandale	2
5	SPA	3
0	Brooklyn Center	5
9	Montgomery	3
1	STMA	3
5	Delano	9
3	Sibley East	1
1	Jordan	0
2	Watertown	0
4	Norwood	4

Below. Senior Jeff Selander delivers a monster pitch.



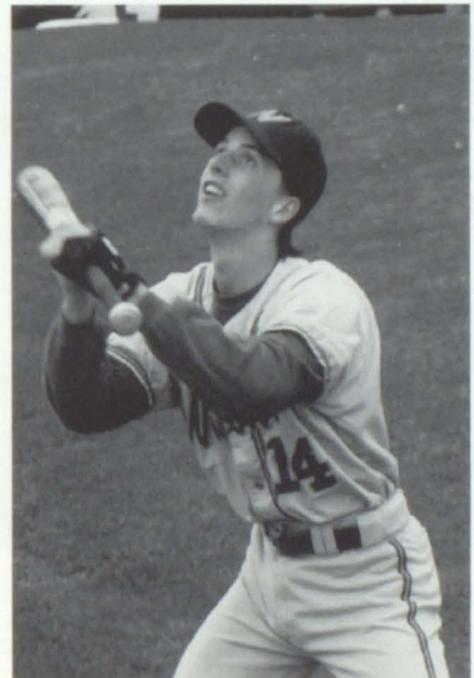
Right. Mike Miller catches the ball and gets ready to throw it to get the out.



Above. Paul Olson reaches for the ball to get the out.

Center right. Jason Hilgers concentrates on the ball, anticipating it's heading in his direction.

Right. Randy Koecheler practices his bunting skills.



Young Team Improves Skills

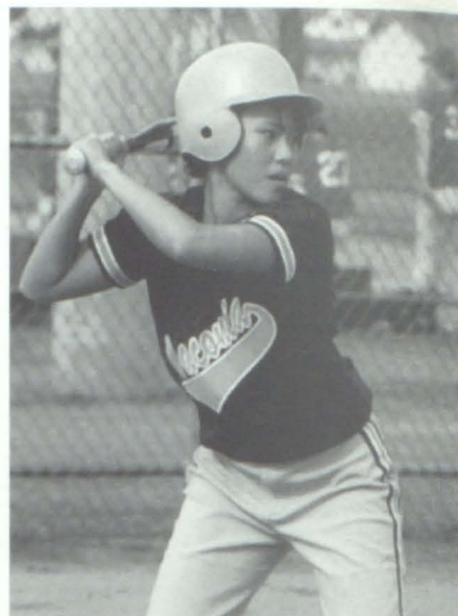
With only four seniors on the team, the WHS softball team needed to gain experience for future years. The team finished the season with a 5-14 record overall.

Highlights of the season included getting second place in the Blake Tournament by beating Minneapolis Henry and Blake. In the last conference game of the season, the team beat 3rd place Watertown 3-2.

Despite not having a successful season record-wise, Coach Dominique Kanavati saw success come from the efforts, attitudes, and improvement of each player on the team. "The success with this team came from them improving their game skills along with their knowledge of the game. What enabled this team to compete in every game was their

ability to never give up."

Key players for the team included Jessica Radde, a top hitter who made few errors as a fielder and who served as a great leader; Amber Christenson, a great leader behind the plate; Teri Lind, a top utility player; Teri Schneider, good at bat and who had 57 strikeouts as pitcher; and Angie Roepke, steady at bat and a very good fielder.



Top. Waiting for the pitch, Teri Schneider is ready to hit a homerun.

Right. After hitting the ball, Teri Lind checks to see where it went.

Far right. Angie Roepke catches the ball to tag the runner out.

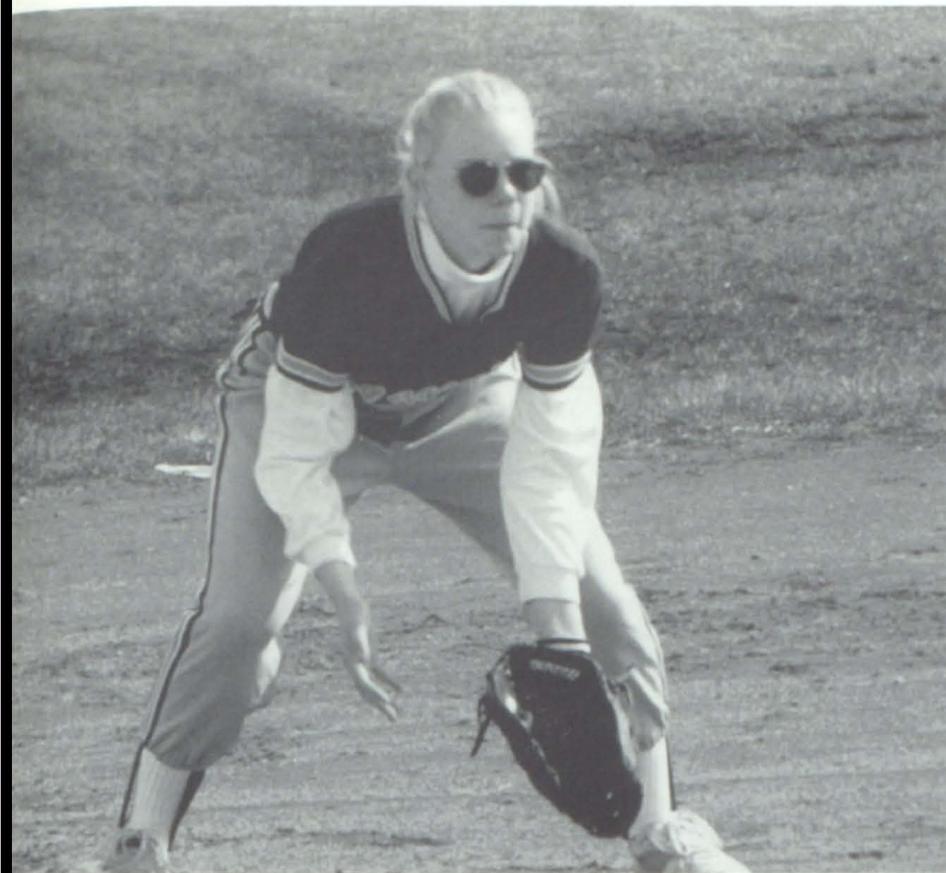


Varsity Softball. Front: Becky Wagener, Carissa Froyum, Angie Roepke, Karissa Sjodin, Anita Lehrke, Teri Schneider. Back: Helen Buetow, Kristin Wiebe, Kori Schultz, Jessica Radde, Teri Lind, Amber Christenson, Gina Logelin, Coach Dominique Kanavati.

Varsity Softball

WHS	OPP
8	Bell Plaine 1
6	Norwood 12
5	Dassel 12
1	Orono 5
8	Glencoe 9
4	Montgomery 16
1	Watertown 6
2	Dassel 12
0	Rockford 10
14	Mayer Lutheran 3
8	Annandale 11
9	Blake 4
2	Waseca 15
4	Mpls Henry 2
2	STMA 8
0	Delano 11
3	Watertown 2
5	Mound 12
1	Orono 11





Left. Carissa Froyum reaches down to field the ball.

Below. Jessica Radde warms up for the big game.



Above left Karissa Sjodin throws the ball to get the final out.

Above. Catching the ball, Anita Lehrke prepares to throw it to home base.

Left. Catcher Amber Christenson signals the pitcher.



Tracksters Set New Records

Both girls and boys track finished great seasons this year, and set new school, conference, and sub-section records. Becky Leppard broke the school record in the 3200m run. Uri Houg broke the school record in the pole vault, and Tom Gerding broke records in the 200m and 400m runs.

The girls team was led by new coach Mark Plewka. The team had 19 members, led by captains Jill Lee and Becky Leppard, who created team spirit through their own examples. Becky Leppard qualified for sections in the 1600m and 3200m runs, and the 4 x 400m relay team and the 4 x 200m relay team qualified for sections. Members on those relays included Jill Lee, Leia Christoffer, Laura Zender, Nicole Decker, Mercy Adams, and Nikki Dettman.

The boys team was very strong. Tom Gerding and captain Uri Houg set examples through their strong performances. Coach Clark Machtemes trained the whole team

into unbelievable shape. The following individuals advanced to sections — Uri Houg, in the pole vault; Tom Gerding, in the 400m dash and the 200m dash; Mike Elling, in the high jump; the 4 x 100m relay team (Kris Froyum, Rob Hustad, Joe Streeter, Tom Gerding); Jon Rightler, in the discus throw; Josh Winter, in the 2-mile run; Jon McCall, in the 1-mile run.



Below left. Kris Froyum, concentrating on the big race, waits for the gun to sound.
Below. Leia Christoffer flies over the bar.



Above. Becky Leppard runs the anchor at the 4 x 800 relay.



Girls Track. Back: Marin Fogerty, Tiffany Seeman, Sylvia Ulardic, Mary Roebke. Center: Alyssa Kes, Jill Lee, Becky Leppard, Molly Bailey, Leia Christoffer, Mercy Adams, Nicole Decker, Laura Brahee, Mark Plewka. Front: Laura Zender, Katie Wagener, Nikki Dettman, Katie Ertl, Emily Streeter.

Right. Mercy Adams pushes herself to the limit to win the race.



Below. Kris Froyum hands off the baton to Tom Gerding in the 4 x 200 relay.

Below right. Jon Rightler throws the discus at the Lions Relay.



Boys Track. Back: Matt Hoelz, Jason Radde, Jon McCall, Matt Widmer, Randy Rauhen, Mike Peoples, Kevin Laumann, Joe Gesinger. Center: Tom Gerding, Kris Froyum, Jon Rightler, Rob Hustad, Uri Houg, Mike Elling, Jake Streeter, Jaime Mackenthun, Kris Barnekow, David Ebersviller. Front: Coach Clark Machtemes, Jason Schuette, Josh Winter, Josh Polo, Trey Stevenson, Pat Berger, Joe Streeter, Derek Stoldt, Dan Flies, Jeremy Schneider, Andy Streiff.

Above. Rob Hustad finishes the 4 x 100 for Waconia.

Girls Enjoy Successes

The Waconia girls golfers had a very successful season. They tied the school record with 170 at the Willmar Invitational. They also won the Wright County Conference for the second straight year. Although they did not qualify as a team for state competition, individuals Kristin Dueber and Allison Hoggarth did qualify.

"The junior varsity is also playing well, so the future looks bright for golf," said Coach Moonen. This year the varsity players were Kristin Dueber, Jenny DeGrote, Allison Hoggarth, Alicia Golembeski, and Kelly Jo Sletten. Coach Donna Moonen commented that seniors Kristin Dueber and Jenny DeGrote participated for six years and played a big part in the success of the girls golf program.

Right. Kelly Jo Sletten looks down the fairway before taking a swing at the ball.

Below. Jenny DeGrote seems pleased with the distance of her drive.
Below right. Kristin Dueber concentrates hard on a powerful hit.



Boys Golf. Back: Brad Reichenberger, Ryan Schultz, Paul DeGrote. Front: Kris Raether, Brad Giesinger, Travis Radel.



Girls Golf. Back: Becky Schmidt, Allison Hoggarth, Jenny DeGrote, Kristin Dueber, Traci Theis, Kelly Jo Sletten, Alicia Golembeski. Front: Cristy Jensen, Courtney Sletten, Sarah Doyscher, Sarah Marsden, Melanie Hoggarth, Sarah Dreier.

Gymnastics Shows Improvement in 2nd Year

Gymnastics' second year at WHS was a year of improvements. All the girls got better and better scores in every meet, and the team reached its best score of 110 points in their first home meet against Glencoe-Silver

Lake.

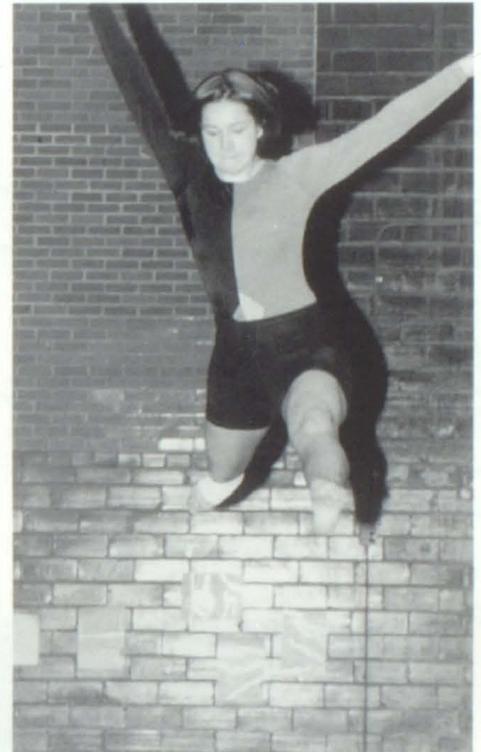
The team was led all the way to the regions by coaches Amy Lowrey and Amy Fischer, and by captain Lacey Bresnahan, who was also a consistent place winner.

For the future the coaches hope to get more gymnasts and to win some meets and also compete in some invationals. But as the coaches said, "Our first season as a JV/varsity team has been incredible. As coaches we are so proud of the hard work the girls put in to make this year one of great accomplishments."



Left. Captain Lacey Bresnahan performs her tumbling pass in the home meet against Glencoe-Silver Lake.

Below. Kaisa Niilo-Rama practices leaps on the balance beam.



Gymnastics. Front: Tegan Oakman, Lauren Bresnahan, Jenny Pickart, Jenny Widmer, Erica Rademacher, Heather Anguist. Center: Heather Anderson, Karly Anderson, Melissa Schuler, Nicole Schrupp, Heidi Moonen, Nicole Sullivan, Kaisa Niilo-Rama. Back: Amy Fischer, Samantha Becklund, Cadee Burau, Lacey Bresnahan, Destiny Bren, Tiffany Sampson, Andrea Leffler, Amy Lowrey, Eric Lindemeier.

Gymnastics 94-95

WHS Points

96.45
92.65
103
102.45
96.05
106.05
106.2
107.15
109
110.85

Opponent

Annandale
Howard Lake
Delano
Rockford
Dassel
Glencoe
Watertown
STMA
Breck
Glencoe



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Anderson, Heather	98, 115
Anderson, Karly	39, 41, 55, 115
Anderson, Katie	26
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Anquist, Katie	39, 70
Ansell, Jacob	45
Arman, Darrell	57
Arndt, Nate	45, 116, 119
Arndt, Ryan	38, 39, 74, 94, 102, 103

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Bailey, Molly	32, 33, 70, 81, 82, 96, 97, 112
Ball, Joan	53
Bannister, Jennifer	17, 90
Barnekow, Kris	7, 17, 98, 113
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Bartholow, Jenny	39, 41, 85, 101
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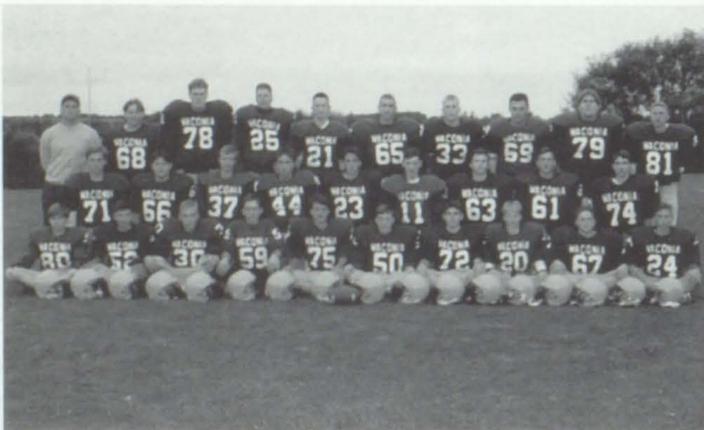
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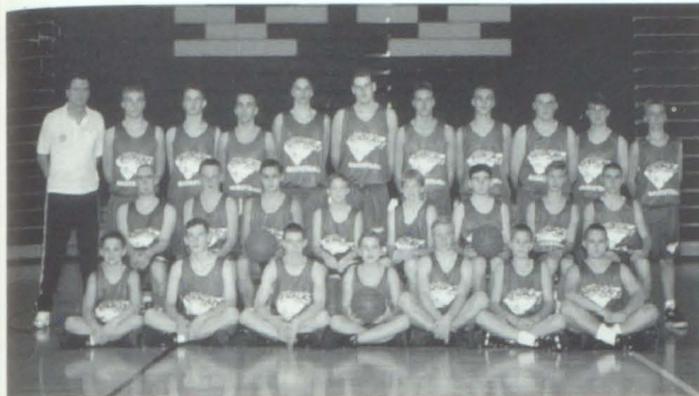
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J-V Volleyball. Back: Jessica Drapcho, Becky Rohlik, Angela Roepke, Leigh Anne Brahee. Front: Coach Ryan, Katie Wagener, Deborah Worm, Lisa Rademacher, Nicole Decker, Meredith Free, Anita Lehrke.

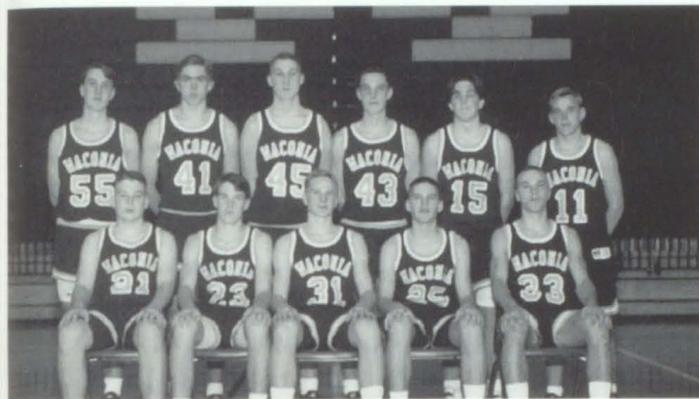
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9th Grade Boys Basketball. Front: Nate Braunwarth, Jeff Schmitz, Trey Stevenson, Andrew Skinner, Joe Gesinger, Jeff Rolf, Cody Roush. Center: Matt Orn, Tim Keefe, Clark Poppitz, Matt Logelin, John Gilbert, Jake Freshwater, Nate Arndt, Joe Wirtz. Back: Coach Jon Luebke, Paul Rohlik, Nate Pesch, Rob Hart, Matt Geiger, Mike Wyatt, Jamie Stender, Randy Rauen, Lex Seneff, Lance Knorr, Adam Orth.

9th Baseball. Back: Jeff Bostic, Jake Freshwater, Jamie Stender, Chris Bergmann, Nick Baumann, Nate Arndt, Andy McGowan, Paul Rohlik, Lance Knorr. Front: Nate Tellers, Mike Sullivan, Joe Wirtz, David Wagener, Matt Orn, Blake Beilby, Andy Larson, Tim Keefe, Nate Wendland.



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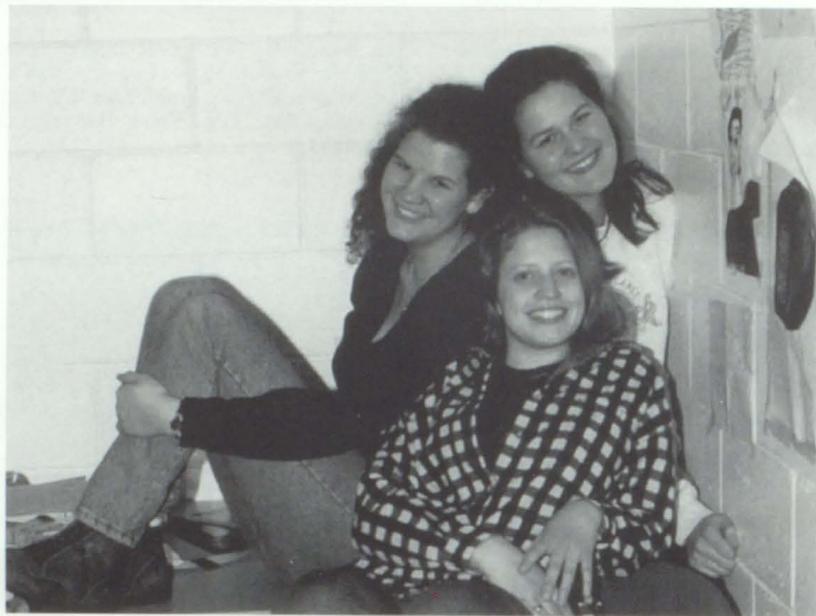
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9th Softball. Front: Molly Schrupp, Celyn Oakman, Nikki Lowy, Bria Knutson, Molly Wulf, Sarah Grote. Back: Cindy Buetow, Mindy Basel, Elizabeth Roebke, Rachel Jurek, Sherry Schlechter, Dawn Ebersviller, Dana Schmamel.



Where the Wildcats Roam

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Top left. Sports Section. Kaisa Niilo-Rama and Alesha Moonen tour the place where most sports begin, the weight room.

Above. Student Section. Becky Rohlik and Rosie Schrempp act like normal students in the commons.

Left. Editors. Sarah Meuleners, Jessica Kes, and Angel Pruden smile prettily for the camera in their yearbook "office."

Below left. Activities Section. Kim Kirsch and Amy Raether show off the auditorium where many activities take place.

Below. Academics Section. Laura Richardson, Niccole Kranz, Karen Kranz, and Stacey Leen behave in an unusually academic manner.



