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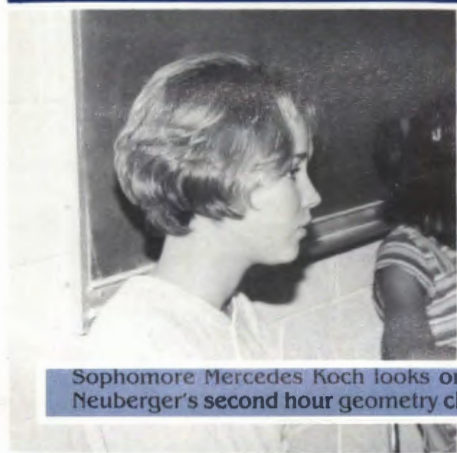




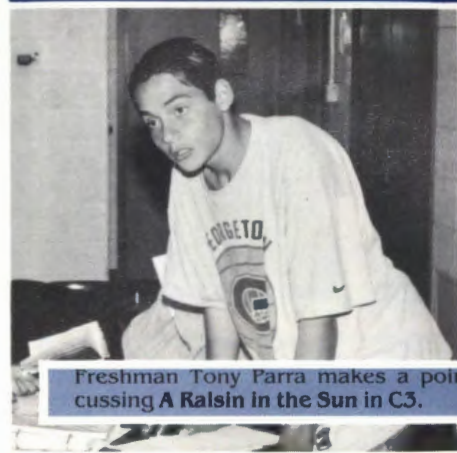
Esther Gonzalez paints part of Never Never Land on the seniors' homecoming window.



Junior Jeff Stogis looks to the finish line during one of the fall cross-country meets.



Sophomore Mercedes Koch looks on during Ms. Neuberger's second hour geometry class.



Freshman Tony Farra makes a point while discussing *A Raisin in the Sun* in C3.

# Out Of The Blue

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# Out Of The Blue For A Whole New Look



The junior class stands to represent, as the '97 homecoming competition champions.

## '97-'98

A whole new year of new people, Out of the blue experiences, and new goals and achievements. Speaking of new goals and achievements, Josh Xiong wishfully stated that he would like to achieve getting "A girlfriend or two ... no, maybe four ... okay, six." Mary Kovacs said, "I would love to understand chemistry." At its outset, the year promised to be filled with many new experiences to teach us about life and ourselves. One thing Rich Divito said he learned about himself was that he's "an animal."

“The thing I look forward to in the beginning is the end.” — Meaghan Horgan

Chris Weston said, "I eat a lot," and Sean Morris confidently asserted, "I'm a stud."

This year was unique as new things happened while we were constantly trying to balance our lives between school and fun. As we moved on and grew at WeGo, we never knew what life was going to throw at us. Creating a promising outlook for future Wildcats, the passing of the referendum this past year proved lives can be changed by an event that comes from out of the blue. — Brian O'Hara, Mark Doeseckle, & Janinie Hines



Meaghan Horgan, not looking happy, wishes tweedle dum was with her too.



Brenda Vergara munches on her favorite snack before getting to work in yearbook.

Joe Kaczmarek puts his arm around his favorite girl, Jessica Leston.



Kerry Herbet, Sara Closser, and Mitch McCabe huddle together trying to keep warm at a football game.



John Jensen grabs some quick words of advice from Coach Robert Stone before running back onto the field.



Jessica Bina, Katie Mitchell, Kim Fernald, and Darcie Wostratzky show their pride in matching wardrobes.



Not looking too happy about the game, Randy Labak watches WeGo take on the Rams.



Megan McDowell hitches a ride from Justin McLoughlin so she doesn't get her socks dirty.



Enthusiastic about homecoming, Sarah Kochniarczyk performs her cheerleading routine perfectly.



Mike Butkovich and Jerry Erickson take it easy at their lockers before school.

# STUDENT LIFE



What's the funniest thing you have seen all year?

"A Peer helper and I were walking down to commons. She tripped and fell down the stairs."

Jenny Saylor

"Ms. Allen's reaction when we T. P'd her car in blue and white ribbon."

Tracy Busse

"Some kid in lunch was drinking milk. He started to laugh, and it went out all over the place."

Liz Sanchez



What are you looking forward to this year?

"Going out with the Dean's daughter all year long!"

John Malone

"The end."

Shawn Lofton

"Getting the heck out of here."

Dora Queuvara



What was the most embarrassing thing you've done this year?

"I fell on my back in bowling, threw my ball 2 lanes down, and hit another guy's ball."

Todd Smith

"Getting lost somewhere in Senior Hall on the second day of school."

Brian Campbell

"Walking up to Shannon and Schneider and asking how things were when they just broke up."

Richie DiVito







# Woke Up Quick At About Six ...

Some are stuck riding the "big yellow limo", while others show up in fashion, or in whatever their parents gave them.



Still half asleep, students file through the breakfast line hungrily.



The alarm rings, but very few get up on the first try.



Students like Phil Beltran spend countless hours in classes, leaving them in a daze.

**¡Almuerzo para todo!**



*"I go to sleep too late, and wake up too early."*  
-Krista Varble

# School Is Out, But ...

...Rob Bridgeforth holds back the masses trying to escape just before the day ends.

Emily Mueller, Katalin Larm, Heidi Lakics, and Laura Winter enjoy an evening of dancing and other fun things.



*"A typical day is sleeping in school and doing school work all night."*  
- Sean Morris



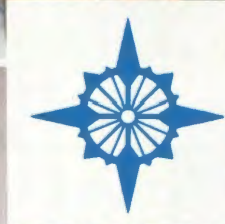
Even the lunch ladies have a grand time in "Lunch Lady Land".



## ... The Day Doesn't End There!



Others just chill in a garage forming a nice "I" formation.



## A Typical Day



Exercising their skills tossing cards to their fellow classmates, senior Chris Sheen, freshmen Brian Ahlgard and Dennis Janek, juniors Jeff Callahan and Kenny Deitz, and sophomores Dana Mourning and Chris Pagnozzani to wear the most points for their class.



On Friday, September 29, 1997, Club Advisor Steve Wrubleski works with the wild assembly to announce the 1997 Homecoming King (PJ Leatherer) and Queen (Andrea Bentler).



*Fairytales*

Homecoming Court (by couples): Jon Hall & Andrea Bentler, Josh Along & Danielle Christopher, PJ Leatherer & Liz Edwards, Jim Carstensen & Tully Taylor, Ernesto Vargas & Trisha Trines.



Sophomore Michelle Grove helps her class out artistically in the window painting contest held on Main St. in West Chicago.



Proud to show off their hard work on the FBLA window, seniors Kirk Johnson (seated), Beth Evans, Mike Yasnicka, and Dan James pause for a picture before heading for float building.



Seniors Angie Johnson, Phonica Acker, and Kelly Vednock call people down from the stands to participate in the assembly games.



Sophomore Dana Mourning brings out the Wildcat spirit in sophomore Kristin Leather by drawing a paw on her cheek.

Freshman Sammy Mashal, junior Chris Weston, sophomore Nishi Patel, and senior Richard Devitto get a little messy in the pie eating contest. "I learned never to compete in a pie eating contest against football players!" Nishi Patel!



As Tweddle Dee and Tweedle Dum, juniors Derek Bilefiro and Donita Spaneburst dress up for their class theme, Alice in Wonderland.

Showing their strength, sophomores Mike Rostal, Lauren Beading, Sarah Kochmarczyk, Tracy Brichson, Samantha Hanson, Beth Warren, Josh Gweyne, Matt Marrero, and Jeff Tilson pull to victory in the tug of war contest.





◀ Making a great effort to catch as many carrots as they can down the oversized pants they are wearing, senior Beth Schlegel, freshman Matthew Powell, junior Jeff Stogis, and sophomore Ariana Zuniga work hard to score points for their classes during a morning game.

Student Council Advisor Mary Ellen Daneek watches the clock as freshman Joe Hamlin vigorously eats. Sophomore Jeff Boutjer, freshman Shannon Flowers, and junior Alan Perham watch their classmates go. ▶



▶ Senior girls think happy thoughts as they appear as the characters from Peter Pan. Front: Trisha Titnes, Lexie Nussbaum, Angie Johnson. Back: Jenny Grobe, Darlie Wostratzky, Meg Konyan, Caroline McClellan, and Lisa Mueller.



◀ Stuffing Sour Patch Kids into his mouth, senior John Svast doesn't give up.

▶ Junior Brian Raymond shows Assistant Principal John Highland how much he loves him. ▶

▶ Sophomore Pete Hernandez goes for distance with a grape. Can you see it? Junior Jeff Stogis, and seniors Alfredo Muhlberger, Laura Mermoll, David Osterkamp, and Jerry Catekion watch his style. ▶



▶ Preforming to the music of the marching band behind her, junior Brenda Bayard shows the crowd what's up on her unicycle. ▶

▶ Sophomores Alejandra Terrazas and Blanca Ruiz, and junior Jani Salgado ride in the homecoming parade to support International Club. ▶

▶ During the battle of the classes Tug-O-War contest, freshmen Fathy Wilken, Alberto Chavez, Justin Kallas, Shannon Flowers, Adam Phagaz, and Tim Carstensen tug their hardest. ▶



Once upon a time, in a suburb west of Chicago, Wildcats gathered and paraded through the streets. Elaborately decorated floats of Hansel and Gretel, Camelot, Alice in Wonderland, and Peter Pan were displayed, in addition to the grandly Homecoming royalty and court.

The ever-courageous Wildcat football team fought valiantly, but, alas, lost its battle to the visiting Rams of Glenbard East 38-14.

Not long after, a magical evening began when 900 students dressed in their best attire flocked to the school's cafeteria, which had been transformed into an enchanted forest. Sophomore Pete Serrato made his "fairytale" entrance memorable by pulling up to the dance in a limo with Puff Daddy playing in the background."

Attendance inside the dance was record setting, and so was the temperature. "It was so hot in there, the most popular place to be was by the door," said freshman Andres Walker.

Students of all ages danced the night away before the clock struck ten, and their fairy godmothers turned their glittering gowns back into jeans and t-shirts.

On the night of September 27, as Homecoming 1997 came to a close, students drove off into the sunset with fond memories of an enchanted evening. And they lived happily ever after ... — Kelly Kaylor, Mark Doeseckle, and Brenda Vergara



Jason Osterkamp charges through the Spirit Hoop as he leads the Wildcat football team into battle.



A sweat-drenched Mike Chapin takes a minute to cool off after breaking away from the packed dance floor.



Molly Saul and Sarah Closser hold their banners high as they show off their junior pride.



"Queen of Camelot" Julie Fosco accompanies the WeGo Wildcat on the Class of 2001 float.



Sole Sanchez and her date Efen Contreras take a break from dancing for a Kodak moment.



A message from SADD delivered by Jennifer Davidson and Carrie Zefferfeld atop their award-winning float.





Jon Hall and Esther Gonzales bust a move with their license to groove.

“After the dance we drove to downtown Chicago and back.” — Josh Xiong



A giddy Mike Lockett dances the night away with his girlfriend Chrissy Dabbert.



Allison Brown gasps in amazement at the size of Abe Mashal's wallet as they enter the dance.



Shannon Flowers and Nicole Benedetto enjoy themselves out on the dance floor at their first homecoming.

“I like guys in tights.” — Danielle Murphy

# Homecoming Day 1997

We Go Fairy Tales

A teenager's life is filled with activities, school, and whatever else comes his or her way. So what exactly do teenagers do between 3:15 and whatever time they climb into bed? Many work, some at fast food restaurants, others at their favorite clothing store, and still others at a local factory or business. Besides work, many WeGo students participate in some club, team, or organization here on campus. This usually takes 1-2 hours of their day, but they find it worthwhile. No matter what a teenager does, life consists of running from place to place, finding enough time to do things, and trying to get through the day.

Just doing her job at Charlestowne Mall, Jessica Leston dresses up as the precious moments doll and Amber Planek joins her for a picture.



Erica Rincones and Trisha Runtions enjoy working with the children at the child development class nursery school.



Richie DiVito and Mike Brosseau have fun goofing off and showing that "Ace is the place."

# Jobs!



Joe Mari looks up from his busy job on the Electric Diode machine at Cox Automation.



Laura Karns enjoys helping the elderly at her job at West Chicago Terrace.



Anthony Ziman is "in the money" as he counts dollars at West Suburban Bank.



Taking time out of working hard, Tammy Buckner and Mandy Bryant smile from their direct marketing cubicles.

Marcia Chacon stays busy getting a tray ready at Winfield Family Dentistry as she shows off her dimples for the camera.



Money



Janie Romero gazes into the eyes of the deadly computer at the West Chicago State Bank.

Pete Hines busily helps a customer at Ritz Camera Shop in Charlestowne Mall.

Having fun on the job, Brian Robie poses for the camera.



Samantha Allison takes real pride and joy in her job, as she takes care of these adorable kids.

At Liberty National bank Angie Granados smiles as she takes time out of her busy schedule to do some stamping.

Arturo Quevara looks up for a minute while working carefully the Dupage National Bank filling coin wrappers and verifying money.

# Things People Do



Sophomore, Nicole Schafroth shows her individuality daily by wearing her stylish glasses and displaying her funky hair colors.



During Spring Break in Minnesota, baseball players Jim Callahan, P.J. Leitherer, John Jensen, and Brian O'Hara glow with spirit from their dyed blue hair before a game at the Twins Stadium.



Preferring spikes to top off his head, stylized and confident sophomore Greg Belding goes about his daily routine.

### Trend Stats

Remember those surveys we all filled out in our lunch hours asking us what we liked to do in our spare time, what we were watching on TV, what we thought the biggest news event was this year, and what types of music we were listening to? Well, get ready, 'cause here's what you said!

More than 50% of students watch 90210 or South Park when they sit in front of the TV. In our closets right now, 95% of students contribute to the commercialism of society and own at least one or more Calvin Klein or Nautica items.

During time away from school, 42% say their favorite activity is to go out and party with their friends or just hang out. 20% enjoy going to cheer on We-Go at sports events. 17% see the new flicks on the big screen, 6% spend their money at the mall, and the last 15% do other activities such as practicing for sports, going to youth group, and dancing.

A news event that hit us all this year was Princess Diana's death. Even a princess isn't invincible to accidents involving drinking and driving.



Juniors Claudia Garcia and Rosemary Ayala dress in uniform the day of their soccer game to bring the adrenaline level up and make a school spirited statement.



"Mr. GQ" himself, sophomore Julian Gomez has fad-acious written all over him.



Like a variety of students, junior Xochil Huerta helps the body art trend stay popular, showing us her tattoo in an unapparent place.



At the Fox River Paint Ball Games sophomore Demir Elmaz became a casualty despite his camouflaged paintball gear.

Senior Gina Pepe sports the pierced fashion by exhibiting 9 earrings in one ear.



One of the biggest crazes today's generation displays is body piercing. Rings have been pierced through peoples belly buttons, eye brows, lips, ears, noses, and tongues. Many students at We-Go flaunt the piercing style. Senior Kim Grundsled, a German exchange student, will go home with a style to remember from his high school year in America.



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trend freak  
COMEDY CENTRAL  
Not tested  
fama  
shimmery  
is all the rage.

Mixed up trends form one giant treading individual. Top: senior Mitch McCabe; Middle: Junior Meaghan Horgan; Bottom: sophomore Becky Smith.

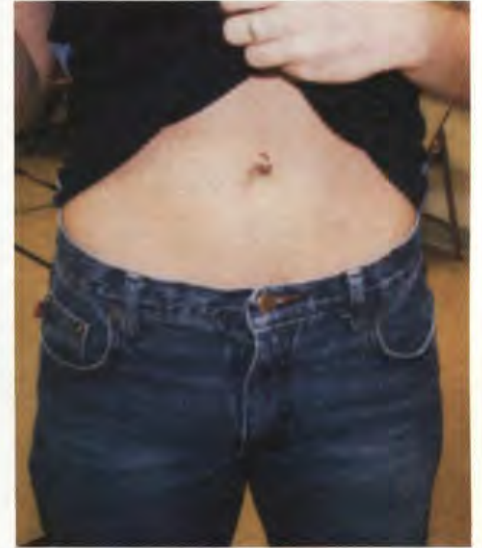


▲ Junior Lara Gorick, dressed in the casual mode of Calvin Klein khakis with a popular long sleeved Gap button up shirt, opens her locker in style.

What was popular with our parents isn't popular with us today, and what is popular today won't be tomorrow. Trends are ever changing with society. Posh brands like Tommy Hilfiger, Ralph Lauren, and Nike might not be so hot when we go out and buy our kids clothing, yet we still pay top price to sport the Tommy logo on our jeans, or the familiar three white stripes on our shoes from Addis. What ever the new fad is, society will feed into it and we will see it expressed throughout the halls of our school.



▲ Trend setter sophomore Sean Maloney pulls together an ensemble that no one could get away with but him.



Junior Aditi Shreeram said that the best concert she attended was, "Jewel at the Chicago Theater. I went with Jessy Mueller, Collette Taylor, Jaime Michalski, Allisha Trojan and Ivory Flores. I'll never forget the fun times we had together."

Heather Vargovich

Brian Pillion

Marvin Boorsma



Most students at We-Go are part of the working world. Unlike the 48% who do have an after school or weekend job, senior Robert Fowler said, "No, I don't have a job, but if you could get me on it would be cool."

Francis Delgado

Asked what the best movie she saw this year was, freshman Nicole Morrissey said she enjoyed two: "1st is Titanic, and 2nd would have to be Mr. Bean."

Rog Guzman



▲ Uniqueness shines through in juniors Jodi Ebert and Emily Sowinski every day in the halls.



Reebok  
Jelly Belly  
Adidas  
fashion accessories  
JEANS  
GENERATION

Danielle Murphy and Kelly Kaylor decorate Senior Hall for homecoming.



**S**pirit days was something new at WCHS this year. Every Friday was considered a Spirit Day. This gave students and teachers a chance to show their We-Go pride. Student council sponsored this and chose a specific theme each week. Some of the themes included Overalls Day, Twin Day, and Flannel Day. The Student council also came up with new games for each week. These involved things like throwing cards into oversized pants and throwing donuts into a partner's mouth. The students participating were surrounded by a large crowd.

Everyone who was involved had fun while the crowd cheered them on. On holidays like Halloween, students participated in that Friday's theme. Around every corner students were found in wild costumes, crazy make-up, and weird hairstyles. Spirit Days were not the only days when students got into the spirit of things. Pep-rallies also got students into the school spirit. We cheered for our teams and hoped for a victory. This school year showed us how to show and keep our pride for the Wildcats. When we took pride in the Wildcats we took pride in our school.



Abigail Brown, Cheryl Pruet, Cheryl Winter, Meg Runyan, and Annalisa Walker show their Halloween spirit by dressing as farmers and fairies.



Joe Kaczmarek, Kevin Openshaw, and Brian O'Hara show their school spirit by getting revved up before the big game.



Even with rats and bullet holes on him, Joe Hamlin is still able to get into the Halloween fun.



Cheerleaders: Jenny Lasky, Lisa Mendez, Sheridan Bolz, Tiffany Gunther, Malgosia Steciuk, and Eva Silva strike a pose before a soccer game.



The West Chicago Wildcat cheers to get the crowd going at the soccer and volleyball playoffs pep-rally.



Jim Carstensen gets toughened-up before a game.



**How do you show your school spirit?**

"When they had sweats day, I participated in that."

-Kristin Stark

**What do you think of spirit days?**

"Spirit days are cool, they're down right spiffy!"

-Alfredo Muhlberger

Abe Mashal shows his love for Disney as he spends Halloween as Aladdin.



Jerry Erickson shows his "super hero spirit" on Halloween.



# SPIRIT DAYS

**W**eGo dances have always been memorable. From the decorations on the inside to the decorations on the outside, all have been done with spirit. "I liked how the toilet paper decorations lasted all year," exclaimed senior Nikki Oroni. People came in their best clothes for turnabout, and dressed in their t-shirts and jeans for the winter informal. People danced the night away in groups of friends or with their dates. "WeGo has some really talented people," stated Brenda Vergara. When the dance was over people went home or went out to dinner. "The next day you either heard how fun the dance was or how you wish you would have gone," freshman Christina Droho said. Overall, both dances were great successes.



Sean Maloney grooves to the music on his knees.

Students make the best out of their time at the winter informal.



Conversing about the exciting night ahead, students enjoy the atmosphere.



Four new grind dancers show their stuff.



Sophomores Erik Hansen, Evan Ferguson, Lauren Belding, and Ken Leonard enjoy some time relaxing.



While breakdancing at the winter informal, Rob Bridgeford becomes the center of attention.

Abe Marshal and Allison Brown gaze into each others' eyes during a slow song at turnabout.



A group of junior friends bunch together for a photo.



Maggie McPike and P.J. Leitherer snuggle together for a quick picture.



Mario Marrero and his girl dance at turnabout.



Dancing the night away, Krista Varble and Jeff Belokin get close for a picture.

# Dancing Under The Blue

# WeGo's Best Show Their Talent

The fifth annual Mr. Wildcat contest was held February 4th in Weyrauch Auditorium and was hosted by Josh Xiong and Lisa Mueller. Nine senior studs competed in the categories of formal wear, talent, casual wear, and question/answer. With entertaining performances given by all, the most crowd pleasing acts were by far "Wildcat Spir-

it" and "The Fat Boys." All who competed were winners at heart, but Mike Brosseau was officially

crowned Mr. Wildcat. Senior Justin Coletti claimed, "If you looked up the definition of Mr. Wildcat in the dictionary Mike Brosseau's picture would be underneath it."



Brian O'Hara and Joe Kaczmarek show off new looks as they act out a scene from *Saturday Night Live*.



Jim Carstensen and Richie Divito dance the night away in a break dancing competition.



Mike Brosseau is crowned Mr. Wildcat 1998.



Meg Runion and Liz Edwards prepare to do a variety show skit called "Yes, P.M.S."



The Mr. Wildcat contestants show off their casual wear and get ready for the competition.



Jon Hall shows off his artistic side by singing the song "Mama."





Katie Vogan performs a piece on the piano.



Senior Candi Waderski and freshman Jamie Huchincloss sing a crowd pleasing duet.



The freshman girls show their stuff and g-g-g-get down on the dance floor.



A beautiful piece is performed by Jerry Erickson, Jeff Tilson, and Heidi Fuoss.

WeGo's annual Variety Show and Celebrity Auction were held on March 11. Coordinated by Mr. Zabelin, Mrs. Streicher, and a number of FBLA members, the night was a great success. With student performances ranging from piano solos to spice

girl impersonators, the evening definitely had an interesting mix of everything. All proceeds received from the action, which included a poster signed by Leonardo DiCaprio, went to the March of Dimes Foundation.



Katie Mitchell and Craig Martus, the hosts of the variety show, look confident even though Mrs. Streicher is showing some pre-show consternation.



Seniors Bobby Shaw and Mark Perez jam on stage with a song called "B.O.'s the Best," which they practiced for weeks to prepare for the show.

**O**n May 22nd, the 1998 Junior-Senior Prom "Now and Forever" was held at the Diplomat West in Elmhurst. The colors of mauve, teal, and silver decorated the hall, as well as favors consisting of keychains, candles, and picture frames. Following picture-taking and dinner, Autumn Planek and Jon Fraser were crowned king and queen.

Then all couples hit the dance floor as the deejays played everything from house music to the hand jive. The prom song, "I Will Remember You" by Sarah MacLachlan was saved for the final song of the evening. After the dance, groups headed everywhere from downtown Chicago to the Wisconsin Dells to the annual "All Night Long" post-prom party.

"My favorite parts of the weekend were the dance and the ride home from the Dells; the rest of the weekend I could have done without," said Barb Karnoscak.



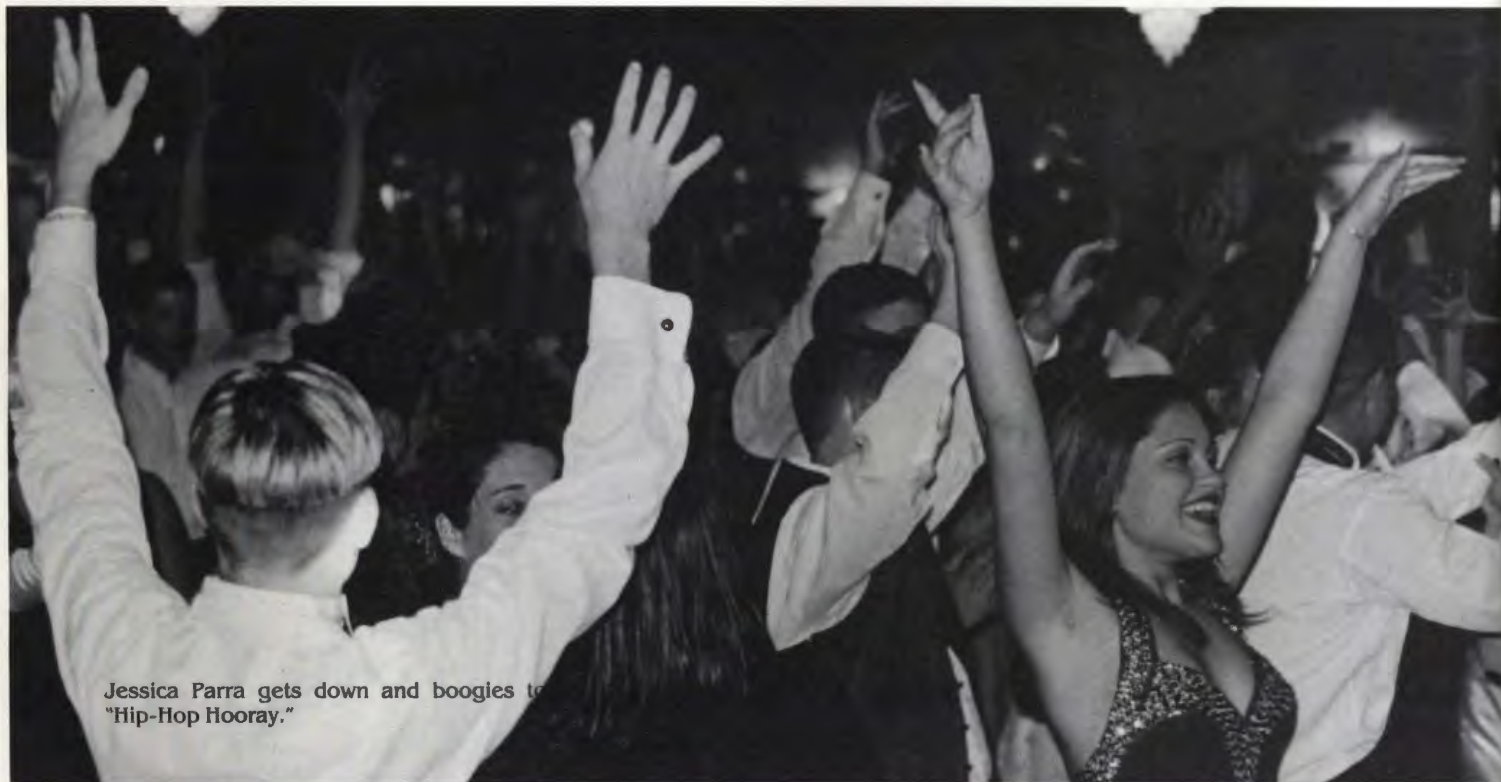
Justin Coletti, Martin Filipsson, Joe Kaczmarek, Anthony McGhee, Rich DiVito, Jim Carstensen, Joe Mennella and Omar Osorio huddle up for a senior picture.



Jeff Ramirez is happy to be spending the night at the post-prom party.



Mike Kvasnicka and Pete Heinz strike a pose as they take a break from shooting pool at All-Night Long.



Jessica Parra gets down and boogies to "Hip-Hop Hooray."

# Now And Forever

Prom 1998

“ The whole weekend was everything I expected and more ... -Molly Saul ”



Prom King Jon Fraser embraces Prom Queen Autumn Planek after their coronation.



Prom Court members Krista Varble and Adam Morrissey await their turn to walk out.

“ Prom was enjoyable and filled with everlasting memories. - Randy Labak ”



Mike Bolt and Aubrey Hurn snuggle up and smile for the camera.



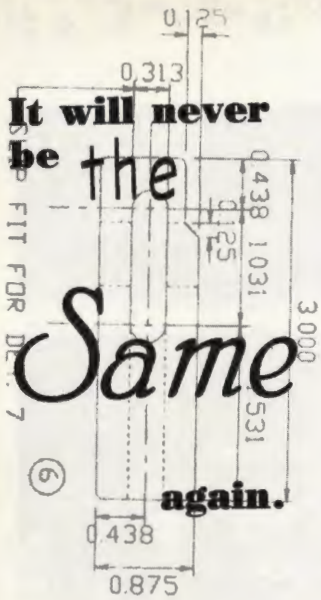
Danielle Murphy, Kelly Kaylor, and Danielle Christopher have a group hug before they ride the giant ferris wheel at Navy Pier.



Crazy Cathal Walsh gets his arm tattooed at All Night Long.

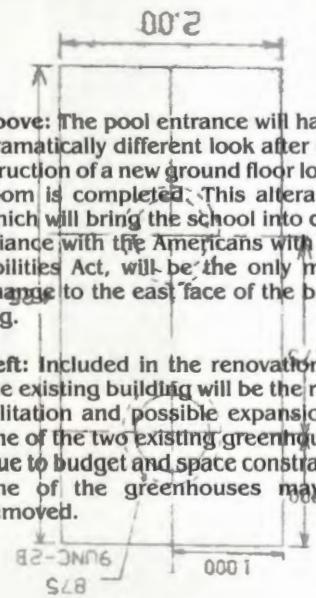
*"I will remember you, will you remember me? Don't let your life pass you by, weep not for the memories ..."*

It will never  
be the  
*Same*  
again.



Above: The pool entrance will have a dramatically different look after construction of a new ground floor locker room is completed. This alteration, which will bring the school into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, will be the only major change to the east face of the building.

Left: Included in the renovations to the existing building will be the rehabilitation and possible expansion of one of the two existing greenhouses. Due to budget and space constraints, one of the greenhouses may be removed.



Right: All of the school's tennis courts will be demolished and replaced by new courts on the fields across Wood Street. To make room for the courts, the Carrie Roney kindergarten building, purchased from West Chicago District 53 several years ago, will be knocked down.



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To make room for 25 new classrooms, a new boiler room, and additional parking, Memorial Field, home to many Wildcat athletic events since the construction of the original school building, will be relocated to the west side of Wood Street. The new stadium will have the home bleachers on the west side of the field and will replace the current 6 lane track (below) with 8 lanes, all inside the stands. To accommodate this move, the baseball fields will temporarily be relocated to park district diamonds, and will eventually be located on the old Kerr-McGee property. All of these changes mean a year of no home games for the football and soccer teams.

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## \$29 Million Referendum To Bring Huge Changes To West Chicago H.S.

Alumni may not know this place when next they return to visit their high school home. The passage of a building and renovation referendum in November of '97 set in motion plans to recondition and expand Community High School. Set to begin after school closed in 1998, the project would completely replace the heating, cooling, and electrical systems of the existing building, add 25 new classrooms, replace locker rooms, and wire the school for the technology of the twenty-first century.

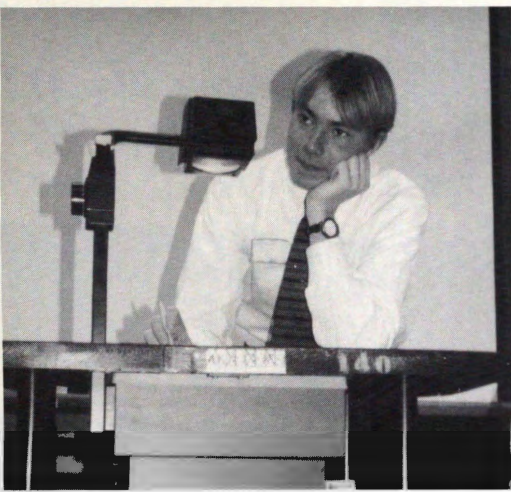
The project would require a complete redesign of the school's campus, moving athletic facilities to the practice fields west of Wood Street and, eventually, to new homes at the cleaned up Kerr-McGee site on nearby Factory Street. The school's impressive and historic east facade would be preserved, but speculation was that the new west entrances to the school would become the school's new "front doors." With the excitement of new possibilities came the realization of teachers and students that for 2 to 3 years they would be working and studying in a construction site.

Right: The old west parking lots and the school garages will disappear with the new construction. Teachers will no longer have to worry about taking a mirror off the school vans or scraping their quarter panels while trying to put them in their stalls, but, because of the lack of space on the 25 acre school site, there may be no on-site storage for grounds equipment.

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# A Bill To ...



Appropriations Committee Clerk Adam Bridge tallies a vote during the committee's hearing. Bridge co-sponsored a bill to rebalance trade.

...protect the unborn children of addicted mothers



Kirsten King speaks in support of her bill. According to King, "The bill failed (in committee) because of money issues about who was going to pay the costs despite the fact that it costs \$35,000 per month of taxpayers' money to care for a crack baby."

...make English the official language



Evan Larson explains the purpose of his bill during committee hearings. He started the bill at the suggestion of Todd Ballard and because he thinks there is a communication problem in the U.S. Larson said he was confident the bill would pass, but it was amended and eventually failed in full session.



...eliminate education for the children of illegal immigrants



Mike Brenner fields a question about his bill. He said his focus group proposed the bill because, "We wanted to stir up some controversy." The bill would have eliminated education even for children born in the U. S. to illegal immigrant parents.

...empower juries



Omar Nieto and Omar Osorio answer questions about their bill during committee hearings. The bill would have ended the unanimous vote requirement for jury convictions. Only 60% of a jury would have had to agree to get a conviction if the bill had passed. According to Nieto, this change would have saved money because there would be fewer mistrials.

Jason Hempel and Ernesto Vargas look on as Laurie Millner waits to speak against the gun control bill in committee.



Pete Heinz checks his notes as Randy Labak listens to testimony on a bill to open adoption records.





Laurie Millner reminds Beth Evans, Richie DiVito, and Marvin Boorsma of discussion procedures while they wait to speak to an amendment to a bill that would set up work and GED opportunities for prisoners.

**... ban religion in school**

**pro:** "When you're at school you're there to learn. You're not there to have your religious beliefs influenced in any way." — Liz Brieseth

**con:** "The constitution guarantees we have freedom of religion. I don't think if I pray to myself it is offending anyone." — Beth Evans

**... protect the rights of gays**

**pro:** "This bill stresses equal rights. We don't want any special rights for gays; we just want them to be treated equally. It is a bad example for America to keep gay people down because doing so condones discrimination." — Justin Sadowski

**con:** "I think they should have equal rights, but when it comes to adoption they are forcing their beliefs on the adopted child." — Todd Ballard

**... make English the official language**

**pro:** "97% of the population already speaks English well. Only 3% of the people would have to learn to speak English. If everyone can speak English you won't have to worry about translations." — David Fennewald

**con:** "America means freedom — freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and everything else. I don't understand why English should be the official language when everybody has ancestors who spoke different languages." — Jeremy Alfaro

## Government Classes Propose And Pass Laws

The tenth session of the West Chicago High School Representative Assembly met this fall. This biannual event has become the centerpiece of the American Government curriculum since it began in the Spring of 1993. According to government teacher Steve Arnold, the purpose of the simulation is to engage students in decision making processes practiced in a democratic society and to help students learn how they can participate in the legislative process. Students worked in teams to define and research issues they thought were important. They then proposed bills for consideration by their peers. The bills were reviewed by committees, and those which committees approved were then debated and voted upon during the full legislative session.

The simulation led to students learning about more than just how the government works, though. Richie DiVito said, "I've

learned that people who are shy and quiet and you wouldn't expect to speak up have strong opinions." During the debate on amendments to bills Joe Kaczmarek noted, "Now I know why nothing gets done in the real government." Gabe Bautista said, "It is hard to understand the issues, and you have to do a lot of research, but in return you learn a lot about the government."

The bills discussed during the simulation reflected the issues being discussed throughout the nation as the simulation took place, and many bills were directly connected to students' lives. For instance, one team proposed a law which would have ended consideration of ACT or SAT scores in the college admissions process. Students who would participate in the Spring session followed events closely as they anticipated their own chance to engage in the debate.



Speaker of the House Jennifer Mullaney and House Clerk Jennifer Grobe manage debate during the first full session.



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What Was Your Experience Like When You First Joined The Club?



*"Madrigals was the best experience from any other club I've been in during high school. I've had some of my best memories doing madrigals. It always will be a BIG part of what Christmas means to me. Whenever I think about the Holidays, I will always be reminded of what being in madrigals brought to the season. I WILL MISS ALL OF YOU, I LOVE YOU GUYS!"*  
Liz Edwards-Madrigals

*"I was so confused. They were all talking about frogs."*  
Leslie Shambo-S.A.D.D.

*"It was great. I went to Springfield and had a blast."*  
Sara Closser-VICA

*"The meeting started off with the 'Agenda of Love.'"*  
Chris Thomas-Student Council

*"I worked at the stand during football. It was crazy!"*  
Kim Ellis-VICA

*"The first French Club activity I went to was French Folk Dancing. I had no idea what it was going to be like, but I found out as soon as I got there. The people there really got into the whole Folk Dancing thing, and to make things better we were the youngest people there. I had a lot of fun! It was something I thought I'd never try."*  
Brenda Vergara-French Club







Finale Front: Jessica Weiss, Lisa Arnett, Allison Weir; Row 2: Staci Swan, Collette Taylor, Esther Gonzales, Brianna Smith, Caroline McClellan, Bridgette Laabs, Missy Hainez-Suizzo; Back: Danielle Drumm, Nicole Gomez, Amy Weidner, Julie Hodge, Lara Heinz, Season Barclay, Heather Snell, Amanda Olson, Meaghan Horgan, Angie Berg. A song from Whitney Houston ended the recital with a bang. The concluding dance was choreographed by Lisa Arnett, Stefanie Fierman, Meghan Horgan, and Allison Weir.

Season Barclay, Missy Suizzo-Haines, Beth Siwy, Meaghan Horgan, Amy Weidner, and Danielle Drum hit the finale with a lounging pose.



The "Hit 'Um High" Posse Front: Staci Swan; Row 2: Meaghan Horgan, Nicole Gomez, Collette Taylor, Esther Gonzales; Back: Stefanie Fierman, Brianna Smith. Also performed at the Spring Pep Assembly, this hip-hop groove was choreographed by Jaime Puchalski, Alisha Trojan, and Collette Taylor.

Seductively danced and choreographed by Allison Weir, "Blue Note," a song off of the Star-buck's Summer Blend, expressed a playful style from the experienced dancer.



"Foolish Games" had added style from each of the three performers: Stefanie Fierman, Brianna Smith, Lisa Arnett. Choreographed by the three dancers, they put on an emotional performance to the popular Jewel song.

Spice World Front: Heather Snell, Season Barclay; Row 2: Melissa Suizz-Hainez, Beth Siwy, Amanda Olson, Angie Berg; Back: Caroline McClellan, Julie Hodge. Dancing to "If You Can't Dance," these girls used the naughty Spice Girl style to work the audience. Move over Ginger, because this dance was choreographed by Angie Berg, Amanda Olson, Missy Suizzo-Hainez, Heather Snell, and Beth Siwy.

**O**n January 16 and 17 Dance Production put on a one-of-a kind recital. "Dancing Through the Dials" expressed a radio theme where there was a variety of music. This gave the girls a chance to work with all the fundamentals of dance, and they enjoyed using all kinds of music. Ballet, tap, modern, hip-hop, and jazz were all part of the performance. A big hit was the Dancing Cloth. In this original dance, Lisa Arnett, Meaghan Horgan, Bridgett Laabs, Staci Swan, and Heather Snell were all covered with different brightly colored cloths. Their faces were hidden, but their personalities



were vividly shown through their actions. Visually it seemed as though flat boxes were rolling, stumbling, and bouncing round to the music on no specific counts. The audience roared with laughter both nights when the dancing cloths stumbled along the stage. After months of practice perfecting their counts and movements, the girls put on a show of 19 dances, concluding their semester of dance production.



Thespians. Front: Kendra Norton, Kelly Macauley, Meg Runyan, Lisa Arnett; Row Two: Caroline McClellan, Becky Watson, Tiffany Hanshaw (vice president), Lisa Mueller (secretary), Gina Caniano; Back: Jennie Grobe, Kelly Fioroni, Elizabeth Murphy, Steve Garcia (president); Karl Flagg, Jenny Lull, Chris Thomas, Liz Edwards.

Thespians, a group devoted to acting and theatre arts, was a very busy group this year. They attended the annual Illinois State Theatre Festival at Illinois State University in January, where they took part in workshops on acting, set design, dancing and choreography, make up design, and many other skills related to putting together a play. At the festival they also viewed plays performed by schools from around the state. Other activities throughout the year included trips to workshops and plays in Chicago, as well as visits to performances in surrounding schools. To support their travels, the group held "Cupcake Tuesdays" during lunches, and even came back after the school year ended to hold a car wash fundraiser.

Tiffany Hanshaw takes up car climbing to make sure this suburban comes out spotless.



Beau Brown puts the finishing touches on one of the several cars lined up for the spotless cleaning promised by the advertisers out on the street.



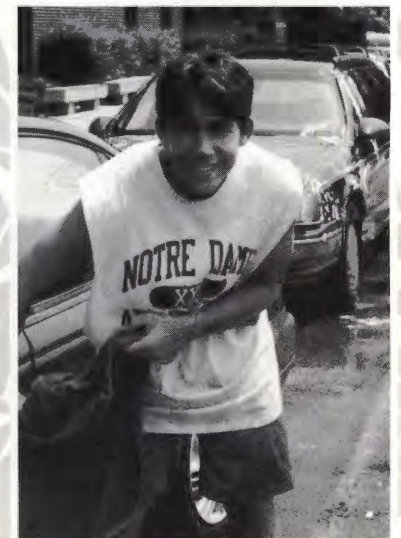
The Thespians had great weather and were swamped with business the day they held their car wash in the school's south parking lot.

Forensics. Front: Meg Runyan (secretary), Tanya Austin (co-captain); Row Two: Jon Frazier, Beau Brown, Matt Edwards, Lisa Mueller, Melissa Garcia; Back: Chris Patenaude, Robert Autin, Steve Garcia (captain), Sara Knox, Kendra Norton, Advisor Steve Kellner; Not Pictured: Jessica Luch (treasurer), Ellen Matejka, Liz Edwards, Ivory Flores, Jenny Rugaard, Melissa Birch, Phil Fox.

Giving fine performances, qualifying for the state tournament, and performing well during the regular season, the forensics team achieved above and beyond their expectations in the '97-'98 season. Mr. Kellner, the Forensics advisor explained the club as, "an activity involving competitive speaking, acting, and interpretation. The Team traveled to 10 regular season tournaments and competed at the IHSA regional, sectional, and state levels." Exceptional team member Liz Edwards qualified for the state finals in humorous interpretation. Jon Frasier put on a special show with his comic routine for a group of realtors visiting the school in the early Spring. Verbally Yours, the team's exhibition performance for the student body and community, was successful once again. The proceeds from the show went to a lucky winner in the audience, who donated the money to support the team's trip to the state competition. Top performers this year included: Steve Garcia, Jon Frasier, Meg Runyan, Liz Edwards, Tanya Austin, Jessica Luch, Beau Brown, and Matt Edwards.



Forensics. Front: Meg Runyan (secretary), Tanya Austin (co-captain); Row Two: Jon Frazier, Beau Brown, Matt Edwards, Lisa Mueller, Melissa Garcia; Back: Chris Patenaude, Robert Autin, Steve Garcia (captain), Sara Knox, Kendra Norton, Advisor Steve Kellner; Not Pictured: Jessica Luch (treasurer), Ellen Matejka, Liz Edwards, Ivory Flores, Jenny Rugaard, Melissa Birch, Phil Fox.



A great way of learning more about the culture of the language you are taking is by joining a foreign language club. These clubs plan various activities throughout the entire year. For example, in the fall all three clubs took the train to Chicago and visited the Art Institute. French Club went to *Le Bistro Banlieue*, a French restaurant, as their final excursion of the year. Those are just some examples of what the clubs are about.

Also, all three languages offered at WCHS have exchange programs that students can participate in. In March, French students visited Grenoble, France, where they lived with French families. "I will never forget the time we spent in France. Those are memories that will always stay with me and I'm sure that goes for everyone else that went on the trip," commented Adrian Guzman. Then, the German students hosted a few students from Gunzenhausen, Germany for three weeks. Spanish students were busy all year. At the beginning of the year, twelve students and two teachers visited the U.S. for three weeks. Then in January, many Spanish students willingly opened their homes to the exchange students from Costa Rica.

Not only is taking a Foreign language a requirement for many colleges, but it is also a smart decision on one's part. In today's world knowing more than one language is a great advantage.



Amanda Kammes, Laurie Millner, and Brenda Vergara share a special Kodak moment in front of the Eiffel Tower.



**French Club.** Front: Jessica Weiss, Rocio Tovar, Katie Holt, Karen Schockey, Ernesto Vargas. Row 2: Michael Penaflor, Hans Trujillo, Adrian Guzman, Monica Acker, Brenda Vergara, Liz Breiseth. Row 3: Elissa Dupree, Meghan Burlison, Arlete Penaflor, Evan Piemonte, Brian Prusko, Linda Xiong, Madame Appel.



**International Club.** Front: Leticia Perez, Liz Perez, Snadra Beltran, Janet Salgado, Rosmary Ayala. Back: Jose Martinez, Julio Arguello, Rocio Tovar, Melissa Martinez, Rosa Duran.



Alex Vergara hangs out with his Costa Rican buddies, Stefanie and Claudio, before they return home.



During the Foreign Language National Honor Society ceremony students listen to the speaker's words of wisdom.



Sonia Gomez comfortably takes a few notes in Spanish class.



Brian Krawczykowski and Bill Crothers share their pictures of the exchange program to Germany with German Club.

Spanish Club. Front: Amanda Baum, Lisa Sowinski, Cathal Walsh, Kendel Christopherson, Christina Payton, Dana Mourning, Laura McQueen, Leena Patel, Aisha Jafri, Franchesca Smith. Row 2: James Farjeat, Alex Vergara, Pete Serrato, Ann Milauskas, Adrian Guzman, Jack Dierks, Rick Williams, Amber Planek, Jessica Parra, Karen Tuegel, Anthony Carbonari, Katie Vogan. Back: Matt Sosnoski, John McPheters, Jessica Oliver, Leslie Shambo, Courtney Czech, Josh Krecek, Jillian Wojick, Jessica Tonchick, Janine Morris, Jessica Inch, Natalie Seidler, Michelle Grove, Seniorita Allen.



What's the best thing about taking a foreign language?

"Being able to participate in the exchange programs that the school plans." -Laurie Millner



Alfredo Muhlberger, Steve Taylor, Ashley Link, and Erich Lichtfuss chow down on some mad grub at a German Club potluck dinner.



The Spaniards and their hosts take one last group picture before their departure.



German Club. Front: Becki Watson, Heidi Fuoss, Melissa Birch, Tiffany Hanshaw. Row 2: Lauren Belding, Erin Lichtfuss, Monica Acker, Melissa Brady, Alex Patin, Alex Corson, Jennifer Skrzypczynski, Kim Grundstedt, Chris Weston, Leslie Harlson, David DuBose. Back: Kelly Mestek, Kristina Dauber, Bill Crothers, Brian Krawczykowski, Jeff Heinz, Paul Mantz, Shannon Baker, Robyn Leary, Josh Swanner, Matt Doll, Frau Strohm.



Spanish, French and German clubs smile for the camera on their trip to the Art Institute in Chicago.

# Musical Wildcats



Chris Pagnozzi helps to get the crowd hyped at the homecoming game by playing the saxophone.



Brenda Bayard fearlessly performs her popular unicycle act at a band concert.

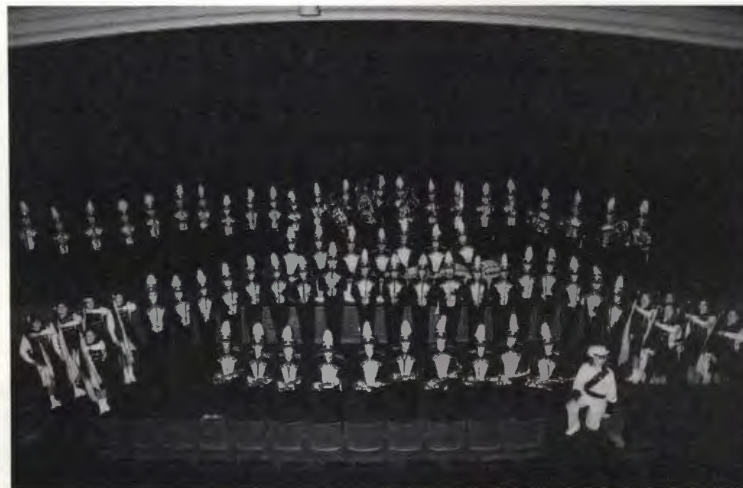


Trisha Tinnes closes her eyes and dreams of one day becoming a famous clarinet player.

This year was quite exciting for the WCHS Band. The Wildcats joined the junior high bands at the "Marching Band Showcase" to create one large band. In addition, the Band performed at the University of Illinois Band Day and marched in the Homecoming, Christmas, and Mexican Independence parades in West Chicago. The Jazz Band also performed at many festivals where several soloists received "outstanding musician-ship" awards. The best moment of the year came at the St. Louis Music Festival, where all the bands won several awards.

Orchestra also had a very successful year with many individual accomplishments. Derek DiPietro and Hamid Assian represented the Wildcat Orchestra at a festival in Iowa. Elyse Belcher, Kendra Norton, Josh Swanner, and Trevor Vraný received Division I ratings for their musical abilities. The Orchestra also participated in the St. Louis Music Festival where they also came back winners.

-Laura Bieniasz



**Wildcat Marching Band.** Front: Dave Toney, Matt Borschke, Brian Miller, James Jaffe, Adam Fritz, Eddie Hernandez, Chris Pagnozzi, Regina McEvoy, Amanda Millard, Missy Crugar, Leslie Harlson. Row 2: Katie Vogan, Brenda Bayard, Katie Coffman, Jessica Weiss, Corinne Duffy, Trisha Tinnes, Darcie Wostratzky, Jenny Vlach, Kim Fioroni, Melissa Soper, Rosa McGee, Vicki Sanchez, Steve Gilbert, Lara Heinz, Katie Owens, Karin Vandernaalt, Cindy Wilson, Cathey Zipprich, Malissa Kane, Kari Keyzer, Kathy Winter, Francis Delgado, Esther Gonzalez, Heather Hendricks, Mercedes Koch, Leyla Ryan, Elizabeth Patterson, Jessica Inch, Anna Wing. Row 3: Brett Dieter, Sean Palmer, Jodi Zipprich, Rich Amos, Amanda Hallock, Amie Weidner. Back: Dan Hlotke, Jesse Askn, Justin Hilt, Mike Nyman, Eric Chorobik, Keith Halsall, Chris Buckles-Haley, Mike Keeley, Matt Kostal, Shane Ness, Matt Grossmayer, James Nelson, Josh Krecek, Dan Barzo, Kevin Fricke, Ana Fernandez, John Hlotke, Kelly Fioroni, Bryan Jones, Cory Abruzzese, John Kolockick.



Leyla Ryan performs with the We-Go color guard at the Homecoming game.



Anna Fernandez concentrates on keeping in step and in key with the marching band.



Jessica Inch performs her flute solo on stage.



**Symphonic Band.** Front: Trisha Tinnes, Darcie Wostratsky, Jenny Vlach, Leslie Harlson, Katie Coffman, Layla Ryan, Heather Hendricks, Brenda Bayard, Mercedes Koch, Kari Keyzer, Katie Vogan, Jessica Inch. Row 2: Elizabeth Patterson, Jessica Weiss, Corinne Duffy, Anna Wing, John Kolodick, Steve Garcia, David Toney, Chris Pagnozzi, Eddie Hernandez, Adam Fritz, Cindy Wilson, Cathy Zipprich, Kathy Winter, Esther Gonzalez, Lara Heinz. Row 3: Jeff Stogis, Matt Bajor, West Skidgel, Mike Kostal, Ana Fernandez, John Hlotke, Rosalinda Garcia, Kevin Frike, Kelly Fioroni, Matt Grossmayer, Josh Krecek. Back: Tom Barta, Jodi Zipprich



Leslie Harlson gets all decked out as the new drum major.



With such a smile on her face, it is obvious that Anna Wing enjoys the performing in color guard.



**Color Guard.** Front: Co-captains Elizabeth Patterson and Katie Vogan. Back: Corrine Duffy, Jessica Weiss, Katy Coffman, Brenda Santiago, Anna Wing, Jessica Inch, Mercedes Koch.



**Orchestra.** Front: Heidi Fuoss, Brenda Santiago, Elizabeth Breiseth, Derek DiPietro, Elyse Belcher, Arturo Zuniga, Chris Hendricks, Josh Swanner, Michelle Brady, Sara Stevens, Rebecca Gary. Row 2: Kendra Norton, Tim Harwood, Jose Sanroman, Mayra Herrera, Julea Hodge, Layla Ryan, Jessica Inch, Kari Keyzer, Katie Vogan, Jessica Weiss, Corinne Duffy, Trisha Tinnes, Darcie Wostratsky, Elizabeth Patterson, Rebecca Watson, Laura Fry, Mr. VanMersenberg. Row 3: Hamid Assian, Trevor Vransy, Jeff Tillson, Chris Pagnozzi, Steve Garcia, Mike Kostal, Jeff Stogis, John Hlotke, Wes Skidgel, John Kolodick, Ana Fernandez, Matt Grossmayer. Back: Tom Barta, Jodi Zipprich.



**Concert Band.** Front: Kim Fioroni, Heidi Lakics, Steve Gilbert, Jaclyn Owens, Rosa McGee, Jennifer Brosseau, Katie Owens, Malissa Kanen, Karin Vandernaalt. Row 2: Brett Deiter, James Jaffe, Amanda Millard, Brian Miller, Regina McEvoy, Matt Borschke, Melissa Krueger, Amanda Hallock, Adam Fritz. Row 3: Jesse Askin, Keith Halsall, Mike Keeley, Chris Buckles, Eric Chorobik, Shane Ness, Mike Nyman, Don Hlotke, Dan Barzso, Bryan Jones, Cory Abruzzo, James Nelson. Back: Sean Palmer, Rich Amos, Amelia Wiedner.

# Clowns



Clown Team from left to right: Alicia Feistmel, Michelle Massa, Glenn McCants, Dana Mourning, and Franchesca Smith.



**Say No!**





**T**he 1997-98 Wildcat Clown Team featured 5 students. These 5 students were Michelle Massa, Glenn McCants, Dana Mourning, Alicia Feistmel, and Franchesca Smith. The Clown Team's purpose is to teach kids to say NO! to drugs in a fun way. Glenn McCants got involved because, "I like kids and love to act goofy!" This year, the Clowns participated in the Homecoming Week parade, visited the local elementary and middle school classes, and performed for child development classes at the high school to spread their anti-drug message. According to members of the team, their costumes and humorous performances entertained the kids, at the same time teaching them about the dangers of drugs.



Clown Team and Child Development join forces.

*Glenn, Dana, Michelle, Alicia, and Fran say NO!*

Glenn, Dana, Michelle, Alicia, and Fran say NO!



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-The Sound of Music



Choir Director Lisa Smith puts one of her classes through warmups during a daily rehearsal.



Jazz Choir. Front: Meg Runyan, Carl Volk; Row 2: Annalisa Walker, Abby Brown, Beau Brown; Row 3: Caroline McLellan, Steve Garcia, Janine Morris; Row 4: Tiffany Hanshaw, Elizabeth Edwards, Andrew Walker; Back: Cheryl Pruett, Mik Petrik, Lisa Mueller.



The West Chicago High School choirs stayed busy all year round under the guidance of new director Lisa Smith. Smith, a graduate of nearby Wheaton College, came to WeGo with lots of energy and great ideas. During the course of the year, the various choral groups visited local elementary and middle schools, participated in the Fox Valley Music Festival, and performed several evening concerts at the school. In addition, during the holiday season, the choirs toured the school's corridors, caroling while accompanied by Ms. Smith on the flute. One unusual turn during the year was the cancellation of the choirs' Winter Concert due to a rare snow day. To make up for this, the choirs and bands performed in a joint concert later in the Spring.

-Brenda Vergara

Concert Choir. Front: Arnie Weidner, Kelly Fioroni, Lisa Mendez, Annalisa Walker, Tanya Austin, Season Barclay, Meg Runyan, Elizabeth Edwards; Row 2: Carl Volk, Cheryl Pruett, Sara Blanck, Emily Limburger, Tiffany Hanshaw, Dustin Kennedy, Matt Edwards, Amanda Fitzenreider, Pat Scullion, Kristin Opaczewski, Victor Mejia; Row 3: Heather Kairys, Matt Grogan, Leah Bjorklund, Nicole Sullivan, Becky Villareal, Michael Petrik, Chris Thomas; Back: Director Lisa Smith, Lisa Mueller, Steve Garcia, Janine Morris, Evan Piemonte.



# CHOIRS





**Beginning Chorus.** Front: Tricia Bozich, Heather Runions, Deanna Volk, Alba Salazar, Ashley Gove, Nicole Ramirez, Vanessa Benevides; Row 2: Javier Contreras, Lindsay Anders, Megan Smith, Shannon Koehring, Caroline Widderski, Lindsay Sewell; Row 3: Brittany Nicoski, Jordan Provenca, Jessica Guittierez, Dee Angelo Hanson, Tracy Yednock, Anders Walker; Back: Danielle Botto, Lesley Leary, Christina Droho, Alaine Ellis, Elissa Dupree, Cheryl Winter, Amy Allison.



Andrea Egner, Christina Palombi, and Sara Kochniarczyk tune up before choir practice.



**Madrigals.** Front: Mike Petrik, Abby Brown, Kendra Norton; Row 2: Sara Knox, Annalisa Walker, Meg Runyan, Cheryl Pruett; Row 3: Cheryl Winter, Carl Volk; Back: Steve Garcia.



**Intermediate Girls' Ensemble.** Front: Rebekah Miller, Julie Kristie, Christie Palombi, Jennifer Hahs, Anne Schullo, Andrea Enger, Tiffany Gove. Row 2: Candace Soper, Rebecca Smity, Sara Kochniarczyk, Christina Payton, Amy Aiello, Griselda Alfaro, Vanessa Ruetsche; Row 3: Cristina Pavone, Suzy Bollhoefer, Devin Vassar, Ivoy Flores, Donna Walker, Meredith Moore, Kristine Soriano; Back: Emily Giermann, Kendra Norton, Cheryl Hitzeroth, Sara Knox, Kristin Leitherer, Tracy Erickson, Tracy Drzhal.



Beau Brown and Carl Volk contribute to a great sound at one of the many choir performances.

# Blue Ink

The WCCHS publications produced a plethora of interesting reading material for the student body this year. Stressed out by approaching deadlines; the hard-working members of publication staffs devoted their time and effort to WeGo news. In a year filled with memorable moments these periodicals captured history through pictures and words.

The 1998 edition of the literary magazine, *A Separate Piece*, despite being short-staffed, had an abundance of student submitted pieces which allowed for a quality 25-page publication. The magazine is a compilation of poetry, short stories, and drawings by students. The two staff members and Advisor Andrea Cipcich worked after school for weeks constructing the annual edition of the magazine.

The school newspaper, *Wildcat Chronicle*, produced nine issues of journalistic

magic this year. Advised and led by Carrie Mocariski, dedicated *Chronicle* staffers put long hours into the production process. With papers delivered once a month, students enjoyed reading pages filled with school news and events. The paper is the final product of weeks of interviewing, editing, and teamwork. "I will always remember this staff and all the great times we've had; especially when we were attacked by a bat in the Mac Lab," said Jeff Goluszka.

At this moment you are reading the fruit of *Challenge* staffers' efforts. The entire year we committed ourselves to making *Challenge '98* an accurate reflection of life at West Chicago. With almost an entire staff of newcomers and a new advisor, through deadlines missed and met we bring to you *Challenge '98*, a yearbook that captures all of your high school memories. - Kelly Kaylor



**Challenge.** Front: Mark Doeseckle, Janine Hines, Lisa Cosco, Brooke Fries, Lynn Jensen, Amanda Dolan, Silviana Cordero, Jean Brown. Back: Nikki Oroni, Laura Bieniasz, Brenda Vergara, Brian O'Hara, Kelly Kaylor, Christina Droho, Glenn McCants, Advisor Brad Larson.



**Challenge** staffers Jeanne Brown and Jaime Puchalski make picture selections for the '98 yearbook.



Christina Droho of *A Separate Piece* works on her latest poem to contribute to the literary magazine.

*Challenge '98*



**Challenge** staffers model their T-Shirts which display the cover art for the '98 yearbook.



**Chronicle** reporter Beth Siw reviews the assignment board to find out which articles she will cover.





Senior Danielle Christopher consults her horoscope in the Valentine edition of the Chronicle.

Chronicle editor-in-chief Hannah Kenny is advised by Ms. Mocarski on the latest issue of the paper.



A Separate Piece. Christina Droho, Advisor Andrea Ciplich, Danielle Kogut.



**What is the best part of working on a We-Go publication?**

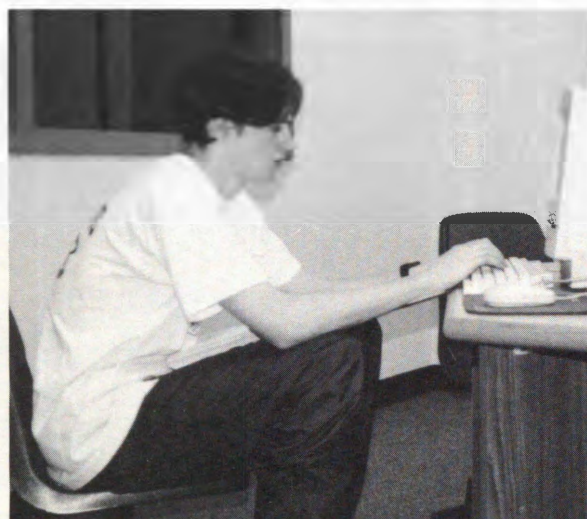
Seeing your name in print after all the hard work you've put into it. - Arlete Penaflor, Chronicle

Having such a small staff made it more fun. - Danielle Kogut, A Separate Piece

Being forced to redraw your layout for the tenth time while "Bittersweet Symphony" plays in the background. - Glenn McCants, Challenge



Chronicle. Front: Jeff Goluszka, Joe Leli, Hannah Kenny. 2nd Row: Carrie Zefferfield, Jennifer Lasky, Allison Taylor, Arlete Penaflor. Back: John Williamson, Dan Young, Kelly Betts, Beth Siwy, Dave Mehrman, Kelly Kaylor.



Dan Young makes finishing touches on his "Top Ten Worst Trades in Chicago Sports History" for the Chronicle.

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Filing and keeping things in order for the family paving business, Olivia Schmidt places bills in the binder for future reference.



CWT: Front; Claudia Munoz, Eric Restoff, Veronica Cervantes, Amie Nottingham, Cristina Garcia, Yanet Lerebourg, Denisse Terrazas, Greg Cinert. Back: Israel Pasillas, Michelle Goode, Mike Cioci, Dan Drake, Bobby Kohnke, Ryan Steinhof, Juan Chavez, Omar Nieto, Mrs. Peggy Peach.



CWT: Front: Noemi Valdivia, Victor Ballines, Juan Rubio, Ashley Flores, Laura Karns. Back: Mike Adamo, Ian Voaks, Arturo Guevera, Zahn Gamble, Brian Robie, Trinidad Tochimani, Mrs. Peggy Peach.



Tammy Lester, at Mogan Distribution, adds paper work to the binder. This is just one in a million things she has to do when working.

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 Adamo, Wyndemere ·  
 Correa, Liberty Federal · Connie Pappas, Midwest Pathology  
 McCabe, Home Music & Cinema · Ryan Steinhof, Ilini  
 Marcia Chacon, Winfield Family Dentistry · Michael

Connie Pappas is ready with a cheerful and friendly voice to assist any one who has questions about insurance when calling Midwest Pathology.



Concentrating on the dimensions of the next project he has, Brian Robie is an asset to Protech Plastics.



Classes that literally give students an idea of what the real world is like, Business Technical Internship and Cooperative Work Training help students find direction in their career interests. They get a credit for working, a credit for the classroom, and BTI also includes Consumer Ed. Everything you want to know about investment, communication and human relations in the workplace and real world economics, and how to get the job you want is taught to you in these two classes. Students learn how to type up their own resumes, go through an actual interview, complete their tax returns, set goals, and end the year with the confidence to step

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Making sure there are no flaws in the floor just built, Nick Cieslewski spends his time after school working for Fox Valley Door.



An Apprentice Engineer for the City of West Chicago, Mike Hendron has already started making steps toward his future living.



Using her bilingual background, Xochil Huerta helps people with their house payments over the phone at Hartland Mortgage.



Nick Ascher, a teller at First Chicago Bank, makes over fifty transactions on a busy day. Maybe someday we'll see him as the CEO.

out into the working world without a push. The Thirteenth Annual Employer Appreciation Banquet this year was a good time for the students and their employers to get away from work for a change. A good time for every one, the employers were presented with plaques in appreciation of their contributions, and to remember the employee/student in the program, and everyone enjoyed lunch together. "Partners in Education, Learning and Earning" is an excellent motto for the BTI and CWT classes.

At Sidwell Studios, Raj Chavda is an architect's assistant, drawing maps for a new plan.



Being a big kid herself, Amber Planek pretends with her two buddies at Kensington Daycare.

Ana Robles, Patterns in Beauty · Bob Kohnke, Polygem · Israel Pasillas, Percision Control Manufacturing · Vector Mejia, Pin

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# Out Of The Goodness Of Their Hearts



During Lauren Belding's peer helping hour, she helps Alex Corson understand the German language.

Among the many groups at WeGo, there are three that show support, spirit, and honor. Student Council organizes Homecoming events, dances, Spirit day events, and Prom. They organize the events to make them special and most memorable. All year round student council comes up with many good ideas to raise money for every class. Pep club consists of a group that shows outrageous school spirit. Pep club organizes pep assemblies and participates in being pep pals. A pep pal, whether it be a cheerleader or a pep club member, brings food, candy, and other fun treats to school and decorates the athlete's lockers with

signs and decorations. Last but not least, another special group with well-rounded students are the Peer Helpers. They go through training in the spring and summer before the school year starts by going to an all day high rope challenge where they climb rocks and cross bridges. These training dates help the peer helpers learn more techniques to be a better listener and thinker. Also, during the week of registration the peer helpers offer tours of the school to the freshmen and their parents. All in all, these three groups all do things for the growth and honor of our school and they do this out of the goodness of their hearts.



Pep club advisor Mr. Wroblewski announces events at the pep assembly.



**Student Council.** Front: Christina Payton, Jennie Grobe, Lisa Mueller, Caroline McClellan, Angie Johnson, Abby Brown, Jacki Wood, Meg Runyan. Row 2: Katy Coffman, Trisha Tinnes, Chris Pagnozzi, Kristin Leitherer, Amber Planek, Cathy Wilkin, Alex Corson, Shannon Stern, Mike Chapin, Melissa Acker. Back: Darcie Wostratzky, Chris Hendricks, Jeff Tillson, Joe Wasiqi, Dennis Janek, Nishil Patel, Sara Knox, Chris Thomas, Autumn Planek, Jeff Powell, Jeff Callahan, Suzy Bollhoefer, Advisor Mary Ellen Daneels.



**Pep Club.** Front: Brenda Berendson, Shannon Sperando, Kristin Leitherer. Row 2: Katie Saul, Kerri Cordina, Kim Ellis, Rachel Baker, Katherine Coffman. Row 3: Dana Mourning, Maggie McPike, Kim Charboneau, Nena Peduzzi, Amy Hook, Melissa Acker, Autumn Planek, Amber Planek, Sarah Kochniarczyk, Suzy Bollhoefer. Back: Ann Milauskas, Mary Kovacs, Jessica Tonchick, Kelly Kaylor, Danielle Murphy, Nicole Gomez, Beth Nagel, Jessica Smiley, Crystal Adams, E.B. Abante.

“  
I like planning the pep assemblies” - Beth Nagel  
”



**Peer Helpers.** Front: Kerry Herbert, Lauren Belding, Karen Shockey, Danielle Lureau, Molly Saul, Liz Edwards. Row 2: Gina Caniano, Jessica Tonchick, Kelsey Link, Liz Perez, Veronica Cervantes, Kim Chau, Jerry Erickson, Adrian Guzman, Laurie Millner. Back: Justin Spurny, Javier Ferrer, Erin Lichtfuss, Cathal Walsh, Pete Serrato, Josh Wiedow, Brooke Fries, Kim Ellis, Ernesto Vargas, Advisor Diana Vasquez. Not Pictured: Danielle Christopher, Hilaria Garcia, Jenny Mullaney, Jackie Palluth, Andy Spalo, Christine Yourek.



Karen Shockey shows her support for peer listening by window painting during Homecoming events.





Student council participates in the dance contest they organized during Homecoming morning games.



“We know when we’ve done our best for the peer helper program when the freshmen feel comfortable enough to talk to us.” - Gina Caniano & Andy Spalo

At the pep assembly for our super sectional boys’ soccer and sectional girls’ volleyball teams, Mr. Zabelin plays his harmonica.



Peer helper Christine Yourek and future peer helper Melissa Soper make posters for Wellness Week.



Cheerleaders get the crowd pumped for the presentation of our athletes.



Student Council Executive Board. Front: Josh Xiong (senior class president), Abby Brown (parliamentarian), Trisha Tinnes (president), Darcie Wostratzky (treasurer). Back: Angie Johnson (vice-president), Jennie Grobe (secretary), Lisa Mueller (parliamentarian), Advisor Mary Ellen Daneels.

# Fun In The Sun

**F**BLA had a lot going on this year, all of which proved a success. The Variety Show was a big hit among the student body. And the FBLA conference meet showed just what WeGo could do. After learning how busy business people are, Alfredo Muhlberger said, "I no longer want to be a future business leader, I have no time for it."

VICA is a service club that not only promotes charity, but it helps students interested in career goals to gain skill with their vocational areas. Besides the concessions at sports games and food drives during the holidays, VICA members

brought home the awards from their conference meet. Kim Charbonneau commented, "People don't know what they're missing with VICA."

Horticulture Club proved no different. The flowers for the mock wedding looked great and all the teachers cherished the flower vases during teacher appreciation week. The horticulture club also fixed the damage in the atrium from bad wind and rain storms. "Hort. Club rocks!" shrieked Danielle "Yelly Belly" Drumm. "I love watching my plants grow into beautiful flowers," Replied Lindsay Leckner.



Craig Martus, Courtney Czech, and Ann Milauskas take it easy for a while between events.

Jim Taylor sings to his plants while watering them.



Larry Lubbs wonders where he should set his plant.



Keith Halsall, Ashley Link, and Ryan Dorn are happy to show their business capabilities.

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**B**  
**L A**



**FBLA.** Front: John McPheters, Joe Swantek, Craig Martus, Ann Milauskas, Brian Kelsey. Row 2: Ashley Link, Laurie Millner, Katy Coffman, Ryan Dorn, Beth Evans, Kelsey Link. Back: Darcie Wostratzky, Michael Baker, Matt Sosnowski, Mike Streams, Dan Janek, Jerry Erickson, Brian Pillion, Courtney Czech, Keith Halsall.



**Horticulture Club.** Front: Emily Limburger, Danielle Christopher, Dustin Smith, Danielle Drum. Row 2: Kristina Berry, Trisha Tinnes, Katie Welsh, Jami Shanks, Lindsay Leckner. Back: Lexy Nussbaum, Dave DuBose, Jim Taylor, Larry Lubbs, Mitch McCabe, Carol Walksler.

Horticulture Club



Emily Limburger keeps the "jungle" of a green house moist.



Sarah Closser, Nena Peduzzi, and Kim Ellis wait patiently during the awards presentation.



Peter Heinz throws together a quick layout for competition.



**VICA Front:** Julea Hodge, Sarah Closser, Nena Peduzzi, Kerri Cordina, Mike Hendron, Matt Treece, Paul Junkroski. **Back:** Julie Hendron, Kim Charbonneau, Pete Heinz, Amber Planek, Brad Walter, Kim Ellis, Rachel Baker, Adam Hamrick.

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# Potpourri

**M**rs. Kozlowski's journey to Japan made a great impact on Home-Ec night this year. She brought back different stories, different clothing, and a new-found love of the Japanese culture. In Japan, they have a different way of writing and telling stories; they call it Kamishibai storytelling. And one of the stories Mrs. K. brought back, "The Mouse's Wedding," flowed nicely into the Mock Wedding. The Drama II classes acted out "The Mouse's Wedding" for the audience's enjoyment.

In Child Development, high school students not only learned how to take care of children, but also how to teach the children. During these classes, the children learned right along with the students. Mixed in with everyday activities, the children practiced nursery rhymes in Japanese. One song in particular was "Mary Had a Little Lamb", which was sung in Japanese on stage at Home-Ec Night.

In Clothing I and II students learned how to sew and design their own clothing. They were then allowed to display their work during Home-Ec night in a fashion show called "Sentimental Journey."

Contemporary Life classes learned about growing up and all the experiences that go along with that. The students learned to share their experiences, their worries, and their fears with others who can understand and support them. In return, the group learned from other people's mistakes. They also learned how to plan a wedding, and then they were able to see it come to life on the stage of the Weyrach Auditorium.



Geri Dimas and Rebecca Deutsch show off their hand-made outfits.



Erica Montoya and Liz Sanchez walk down the runway.



Japanese exchange student, Akiko Yamada, displays her hand-crafted kimono.



Robert Austin and Jennie Eagles dramatically perform "The Mouse's Wedding."



Devin Gunderson, Anthony Venen, and Steven Karnoscak rock to the groove of "Let's Go Riding in My Car."



Tori Hart takes a quick peek at the boys while Mary Katherine Gunderson and John Rivera drive their imaginary cars.

Becky Villarreal searches for her groomsmen.



Malgosia Steciuk approaches the altar.



Laura Proa conceals her excitement as she walks down the aisle.



Marc Bant cherishes his final moment with his "daughter" before he gives her away.



Rob Bridgeforth, Richie DiVito, P.J. Leitherer, and Jim Raethz celebrate their part as groomsmen the mock wedding.



Newlyweds Gina Aguirre and Jeff Ramirez make their entrance into married life.



Front: Antoine Booker, Tony Pray, Marc Bant, Kevin Openshaw, P.J. Leitherer, Jim Raethz, Rob Bridgeforth, Ernesto Vargas. Back: Leah Black, Malgosia Steciuk, Becky Villarreal, Laura Proa, Sam Mull, Gina Aguirre, Jeff Ramirez, Andrea Beutijer, Richie DiVito, Courtney Czech, Sara Closser, Kim Charbonneau, Hilda Hernandez, Brandon Barclay.



The bride and groom shove cake into each other's mouths at the reception.



# Creative Constructions



Art courses and Industrial Arts classes both require creativity and skill to develop finely finished products. This year's art classes put together many pieces which went on display in display in the LRC, including 3-D cardboard sculptures of wild animals, exotic masks, and colorful drawings of all sorts.

Technical Drawing classes, as well as Home Maintenance and Internship courses. Reflecting on one of his drawing classes, Justin McLoughlin said, "This is a pretty neat class. I want to be an architect." Several students in these classes went on to compete in the Illinois VICA competition, and many planned to continue their studies in the fields of drafting and design.

The Industrial Arts program at West Chicago includes Mechanical, Architectural, and



Glenn Rodriguez carefully works on his dolphin sculpture in art class.



Gently brushing his art work, Pete Dzedzic concentrates hard on making his work the best.



Joseph Cardaro plans what he should do next to his ceramic work.



Sara Blanck smooths out her clay creation.



Josh Slattery shows off his creature to the world.



Arturo Robles plans out his design for his art project.





Jorge Jimenez examines his art work to think of what to do next.



Creating designs on her art project, Sara Blanca carefully holds on to her project making sure it comes out perfect.



Beth Nagel measures out her lines making perfection.



Mr. Junkrowski shows Justin McLeod in a few tips to help him with his work.



Tracing circles, Jon Mann concentrates hard on his work.



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# Working For The Blue Ribbon

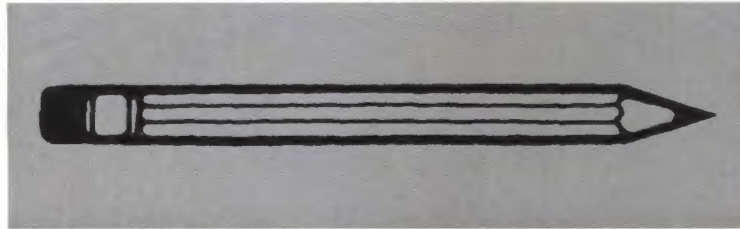


Brian Raymond gives a quick smile while finishing up his physics in the library.

Along with the pressure of graduating and receiving enough credits, students must include required classes in their schedules. Most colleges require certain classes, including math, science, social studies, and English, to be accepted. Starting freshman year students must decide how they are going to fit these classes into their daily schedules with

all the electives they would like to take.

Of all the things that did happen in core classes, there were some notable things that didn't happen. No one blew up a science lab, or disproved the Pythagorean theorem. Classes went on as usual and everyone learned things that will be useful to them in the future. — Lisa Cosco & Brooke Fries



Always smiling, Jenny Lasky takes notes for class.



Jessica Tonchick walks the line during a Fatal Vision Demonstration. The goggles simulate the effects of alcohol and how it can impair driving.





In the library, Rosemary Ayala and Rocio Tovar start a big project during their unscheduled hour.

“  
 What are some important items you bring to class?  
 “Lotion, nail polish, and some magazines!”-Shannon Sperando  
 ”



Jeremy Willes keeps his eyes on his own paper while taking notes in his math class.



Jackie Colson and Melaina Storey skate their way through Bishop Gym during their P.E. class.



Dan Hlotke anxiously nibbles on his pen while waiting for the final bell to ring.



“Chemistry has always amazed me,” says Bob Shah in AP Chemistry while conducting an experiment.



Christine Mack attempts a trying algebra problem while teaching students in one of her classes.



Future chemist Justin McLoughlin spends another day in the lab.

# Math Team

# Chess Team

# Scholastic Bowl

Blair Machaj watches Justin Sadauskas ponder over his next move.



Mike Hendron, Blair Machaj, Liz Breiseth, Brian Prusko and Josh Krecek put their heads together during a Scholastic Bowl meet.



Kevin Brewer awaits his opponent's next move.

**Math Team.** Front: Adrian Guzman, Mike Kostal, Steve Shilling, Mike Hendron, Nick Romanelli, Jason Hempel, Ed Patel, Maulin Soneji. Back: Advisor Mr. Rick Cazzato, Corinne Duffy, Jessica Weiss, Emily Giemann, Alexandra Patin, Keith Halsall, Elizabeth Ribe, John Hlotke, Brian Prusko, Advisor Mr. Bob Gammeigaard.



**Scholastic Bowl Team.** Front: Brian Prusko, Maulin Soneji, Liz Breiseth, Bill Crothers; Back: Josh Kreczek, Jason Yana, Heather Jones, Amy Edlund, Advisor Mr. Steve Wroblewski.



**Chess Team.** Front: Matt Doll, Dennis Janek, Janita Patel; Back: Dan Janek, Eddie Patel, Alfredo Muhlberger.

## Academic Competitors

The Math, Chess, and Scholastic Bowl teams continued to proudly represent our school in the academic arena this year. The Math team grew in numbers to the point that another sponsor will be added for future years. The Scholastic Bowl Team attended 16 matches, including one at downstate Stephen Decatur High School. The team took first place at the Bensenville Invitational Tournament, and Tim Harwood was one of only two DVC competitors to receive a unanimous vote for all-conference. The Chess Team, coached by Mr. Joe Splinter, hosted a major regional tournament at the school, and went on to compete at Nationals in Los Angeles, California, placing seventh overall in the nation. The year was certainly one of which West Chicago's Wildcat academicians can continue to be proud.

Micheal Petrik goes for the death grip as Tonya Austin fights back.



This year's Fall Play was "The Musical Comedy Murders of 1940," by John Bishop. The story revolved around a group of actors, writers, directors, and producers. They were all gathered together by a private investigator in an attempt to catch a serial killer known as "The Stage Door Slasher." With revolving bookcases, secret entries, and surprising deaths, the Musical Comedy Murders of 1940 proved to entertain the audience with a comical twist on murder and espionage. Only a small cast was used for this play, which allowed the students involved to improve their acting skills. This was possible because the rehearsals were much more intense. Senior Steve Garcia said, "This play was very beneficial for students because a small cast permits a lot of individual growth. By far it was one of the most difficult productions our school has put on, but everyone came through and secured an entertaining and consistent performance." The director was English teacher Mary Hafertepe, and the assistant director was English teacher Judy Minor. It turned out to be a great mystery.

Tiffany Hanshaw is shocked, but calmly sits as Justin Spurny holds a knife to her throat.



## The Musical Comedy Murders Of 1940



Steve Garcia, Michael Petrik, Meg Runyan, and Tiffany Hanshaw sing as Jon Fraser accompanies them on the piano.



In a blond wig and polka-dot dress, Laura Gilbert tries to explain her situation.



Tonya Austin holds a knife to Meg Runyan's throat as she begs for her life.



Matt Edwards, disguised as a female maid, kills Meg Runyan, Justin Spurny, and Tiffany Hanshaw.



### Who dunnit?

Jessica Inch, Maulin Soneji, Bill Crothers, Caroline McClellan, Laura Gilbert, Lisa Mueller, Liz Edwards, Meg Runyan, Tiffany Hanshaw, Brian Jones, Jenny Grobe, Elizabeth Murphy, Sarah Knox, Michael Petrik, Melissa Birch, Jon Fraser, Beau Brown, Tonya Austin, Justin Spurny, Amy Hook, Matt Edwards, Steve Garcia.

# A Visit To "Our Town" ...



Dead people (Becky Deutsch, Nash Chibe, and Tim Axelrod) listen as the Stage Manager (Kendra Norton) describes the cemetery.

This year, Weyrauch Auditorium proudly hosted Thornton Wilder's Our Town, as the winter play. Our Town, the most produced play in American theater, was a great success under the direction of director Mary Hafertepe. The play did not call for any scenery or props, but was brought alive by sound effects and pantomiming. The powerful ending brought a few tears to the audiences' eyes as they realized that living people take life for granted.

The entire cast looked great in their costumes, and the person to thank was Mrs. Judy Minor. The same goes to Mr. Steve Wroblewski, who was in charge of building the props that the play did call for. It takes many people to put a production together, and We-Go is very fortunate to have so many talented people.



Mrs. Gibbs (Kelly Macauley) and her husband (Beau Brown) share a special moment before their son's wedding.



The stage manager (Kendra Norton) makes two strawberry ice-cream sodas for Emily (Meredith Moore) and George (Andy Sinetos).



"Don't know when I've seen such a lovely wedding. But I always cry," explains Mrs. Soames (Brenda Vergara) as a friend (Amie Weidner) hands her a handkerchief.



Cast & Crew: Front: Becky Deutsch, Rosie Perez, Brenda Vergara, Amanda Brandt, Amie Weidener, Rebecca Miller, Tim Axelrod. Row 2: Lisa Arnett, Heidi Fuoss, Meredith Moore, Kelly Macauley, Lisa Mueller, Kristin Loek, Darcy Wostratzky, Nash Chibe. Row 3: Bryan Jones, Anders Walker, Melissa Birch, Kendra Norton, Justin Spurny, Alan Ahlgard, Laura Gilbert, Liz Murphy, Caroline McLellan, Beau Brown, Kari Flagg, Monica Acker. Back: Sara Knox, Jeff Stoglis, Tim Henning, Andy Sinetos, Dan Toboja, Carl Volk.



Lisa Arnett, Laura Gilbert, and Heidi Fuoss help make the play come alive with sound effects.

# Anything Goes In West Chicago

"Anything Goes" was a familiar refrain in the Weyrauch Auditorium this spring, as WeGo's actors and musicians staged the famous musical of that name. The story of an ocean crossing from the Big Apple to England by a group of most unlikely passengers brought big laughs from all. The main twist in the plot centered around a society couple engaged to be married at the outset of the journey who by the end of the trip, were both engaged to other people. Meg Runyan played a saucy evangelist who didn't strictly stick to evangelizing, but certainly knew how to lead a revival. By the end of her trip she had snagged a very proper Englishman, played by Mike Petrik, who seemed her opposite in every way. Chris Thomas, playing a stowaway on the S.S. American, got his wish when a socialite, played by Kendra Norton, finally agreed to marry him. Jon Fraser played a gangster whose goal was to become the FBI's most wanted man, but by the end of the trip, to his outrage, he was declared harmless. The hijinks and hilarity of it all saw everyone happy at the end.



On trumpet, Wesley Skidgel rehearses for the show.



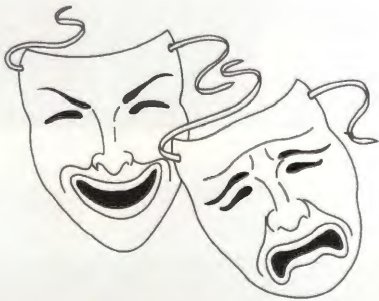
Graduate Steve Brosh mans the spot for the performance.



Trisha Tinnes plays the clarinet in a pit rehearsal.



Kevin Fricke performs on the trombone as the actors perform on stage.



Anders Walker and Rebecca Miller innocently bow as they head for a game of craps.



Disguised as an old lady, Chris Thomas woos Kendra Norton.



Meg Runyan and her angels engage in a little shipboard evangelism.



Chris Thomas and Cheryl Pruett argue as Jon Fraser and Kendra Norton look on.



Michael Petrik tries to explain his attire to an amused Meg Runyan.



Cheryl Pruett prepares to enjoy the open air of the ship's deck.



Meg Runyan and Jon Fraser stand close and share a song and a dance.



Abby Brown makes her thoughts clear to one of the Angels.



Captain Steve Garcia shows his disdain for stowaway Chris Thomas' explanation.



Disguised again, this time as a chef, Chris Thomas consults gangster Jon Fraser on his next move.



Michael Petrik and Meg Runyan discuss their future together as a couple.



Abby Brown fills in Meg Runyan on the gossip as one of the Angels looks on.

# Blue Ribbon Winners

The National Honor Society induction ceremony was held on May 12th in Weyrauch Auditorium. Eighty-three new members took the pledge to continue their dedication to scholarship, service, leadership, and character. NHS advisor John Carter and English teacher Joe Flanagan spoke at the event. Flanagan's keynote speech praised the students for their commitments to education and their academic success.

Senior Honors Night, held on the 4th of June in Weyrauch Auditorium, was an evening of recognition for the Class of 1998. A number of awards and scholarships were announced, while the achievements of those seniors were commended. Accomplishments ranging from National Merit Scholars to Perfect Attendance award winners were recognized. Honors night showcased the best and brightest West Chicago had to offer of its graduating class.

-Kelly Kaylor



Henryka Arguello graciously accepts her award for her achievements in mathematics from Mr. John Carter.



NHS. Melissa Acker, Renee Allman, Henryka Arguello, Lisa Arnett, Jeanette Arroyo, Matt Bajor, Brenda Bayard, Jeff Belokin, Elizabeth Breiseth, Abigail Brown, Jeff Callahan, Gina Caniano, Megan Carter, Veronica Cervantes, Mike Chapin, Kim Charbonneau, Kim-Chau Chau, Greg Cinert, Kerri Cordina, Kristina Dauber, Danielle Drumm, David DuBose, Corinne Duffy, Nicholas Duffy, Amy Edulund, Jane Erickson, Jonathon Fraser, Heidi Fuoss, Laura Gilbert, Jeff Goluszka, Christopher Grin, Teresa Harros, Timothy Harwood, Heather Hendricks, Michael Hendron, Kerry Herbert, Jessica Inch, Joe Kaczmarek, Brian Krawczykowski, Randal Labak, Jennifer Lull, Danielle Lureau, Craig Martus, Ellen McLoughlin, Maggie McPike, Nicole Medina, Andrew Merrick, Ann Milauskas, Melissa Miller, Katie Mitchell, Jacob Mrugacz, Beth Nagel, Ryan Oldham, Kevin Openshaw, Christine Paran, Michael Petrik, Jeff Powell, Cheryl Pruett, Brian Raymond, Vanessa Ruetsche, Victoria Sanchez, Molly Saul, Wes Skidgel, Matt Sosnowski, Leah Spindler, Jeff Stogis, Joe Swanteck, Collette Taylor, Robert Taylor, Angela Valdez, Krista Varble, Kristina Veljkovic, Katherine Vogan, Rebecca Watson, Alison Weir, Jessica Weiss, Grant Wheaton, Johanna Wilkovich, Rick Williams, Anna Wing, Katherine Winter, Brad Wolter, Dan Young.



In anxious anticipation, Steve Garcia and Lisa Mueller await their Drama Achievement Awards.

“

The oath taken by NHS members is truly a summary of what the society is all about.

-Jeff Callahan

”



Ms. Mary McCarter presents the Outstanding Bilingual Achievement Award to Veronica Cervantes.





New NHS members stand and take the society pledge to service.



Mrs. Marjorie Appel presents the Outstanding Achievement in French Award to Brian Prusko.



Athlete of the Year Jim Callahan is commended by Athletic Director Bob Stone for his success in Wildcat athletics.



Tiffany Hanshaw reads the names of seniors receiving special scholarships.



Principal Alan Jones announces the recipients of the Perfect Attendance Awards.



The winners of the Students Against Drunk Driving Outstanding Senior Awards were named by Lisa Sowinski.

# S P O R T S



What advice would you give next year's athletes?

If you could leave one thing behind for next year's athletes, what would it be?

What is the funniest thing that has happened this season?

*Play every play as if its the last; it may be.*  
-Greg Belding

*Try not to lose too bad.*  
-John Millner

*Being a varsity football player doesn't mean you can skip your junior research project — Schneider!!*  
-John Melone

*Do your best and the winning will take care of itself.*  
-Peter Gonzales

*Martin's Swedish jump rope.*  
-Justin Coletti

*My Corona bandana. It was given to me by my uncle who died and it has always brought me luck.*  
-Derek Scott

*Gloves; hands get very cold in the night games.*  
-Malgosia Steciuk

*Wristbands, if I still had them. They give me my supersonic bionic robot voo doo power.*  
-Evan Larson

*Cathal Walsh pretending he's an Irish horseshoe, cricket professional.*  
-Chris Weston

*When the goal post fell on Chris Cruz.*  
-Anthony Castiglia

*Chris Weston.*  
-Jim Callahan

*Chris Weston running to the wrong huddle.*  
-Cesar Pena





# Out Of Regionals, The Blue Come Through

This was a successful season for the Lady Wildcats volleyball team which earned respect and recognition this year. The team tied for second place in the competitive DuPage Valley Conference with a record of 9-5. In addition, the team won the annual DuPage Area Tournament, finished third at the Benet Invitational, and made their first appearance at Glensbard East's Autumnfest.



The Wildcats also made their first appearance in sectional play in eight years. They completed their season with an overall record of 25-13. Players honored for their performance were All-Conference first team members Kelly Kaylor (also the Most Valuable Player) and Danielle Murphy, Most Improved Player Ana Fernandez, and Coach's Award winner Darcie Wostratzky.



Chrissy Dabbert tips the ball over the West Aurora block.



Freshman B: Front: Lyndsay Sewell, Jamie Kennedy. Row 2: Caroline Widorski, Laura McQueen, Tammy Ketelaar, Ashley Link, Heather Runions. Back: Coach Julie Overpeck, Kelly Frazier, Amanda Millarge, Melissa Garcia.



Freshman A: Front: Megan Leston, Lauren Paulsen, Lindsay Castiglia, Jaymie Schmidt. Row 2: Julio Fosco, Shannon Masschelin, Tonia Pecoraro, Janita Patel. Back: Coach Kim Maloney, Cara Rosacker, Lindsay Michael, Shannon Flowers, Nicole Morissey.



The 1997 girls' varsity volleyball team won their first regional title since 1989. In the first round of the playoffs, held at St. Charles High School on October 21, the team easily defeated Geneva 15-6, 15-4. They then met Batavia in the finals on October 23. Despite strong play by the Bulldogs, the Wildcats were victorious in two; 15-7 and 15-8. The win advanced the team to the Addison Trall sectional, where they lost to Larkin in the opening round.

## REGIONAL CHAMPS!!!



Varsity: Front: Jeanette Arroyo, Danielle Murphy, Krista Varble. Row 2: Darcie Wostratzky, Melissa Acker, Autumn Planek, Chrissy Dabbert. Back: Kim Ellis, Kelly Kaylor, Nicole Stuart, Ana Fernandez, Coach Kris Hasty.



Waiting to receive an oncoming serve are Nicole Stuart, Danielle Murphy, and Kelly Kaylor.



Nicole Stuart reaches high to block a spike.



Defensive specialist Krista Varble shows the perfect technique to pass the ball.



The team smiles proudly after defeating Batavia for their first regional title since 1989.



“ We really pulled it together when it counted and it was great to leave our mark with a Regional Championship. -Melissa Acker ”



**G.V.** Front: Katie Saul, Beth Warren, Karen Shockey, Aubrey Hum, Stephanie Prena. Row 2: Brenda Berendson, Kelly Bolton, Lauren Belding, Natalia Sienkowiec, Edercy Abante. Back: Ashley Arlington, Michelle Grove, Jocelyn Schineller, Jenny Hoffman, Coach Sue Hempe.



Kelly Kaylor shows her form in pre-game warmups.



Danielle Murphy rips off a powerful kill at the opposing team.

# Champions In Blue

**T**he boys' soccer team had a successful season this year with many accomplishments and few disappointments. The team captured the school's first boys' sectional championship in West Chicago history. The season ended with a conference record of 2-4-1 and an overall record of 15-5-2. On their way to the top, they defeated Willowbrook and Wheaton North in sectionals, then went on to play St.



Charles in the super-sectionals. Unfortunately, the Wildcats suffered a tough loss to St. Charles, a loss that ended a high school soccer career for some and the dream of a state championship for all.

Brian O'Hara, Jim Callahan, Alberto Perez, and Arturo Guevara led the team this year as co-captains. The varsity wildcats were coached to victory by Mr. Bob "Bruno" Owens and his assistant Mr. Antonio Del Real.



**Freshman Soccer:** Front: Jose Garcia, John Jelinek, Nick Romanelli, Matt Powell, Chris Salultric, Gerardo Garcia. Second Row: Cuatle Beltran, Chris Hendricks, Felipe Perez, Oscar Cruz, Carlos Martinez, Jose Alejo, Erick Hernandez, Miguel Herrera. Back: Yladmir Reyes, Dan Flores, Daniel Hernandez, Brian Howard, Steve Gilbert, Tony Ballines, Jimmy Montenegro, Anders Walters.



## TEAM HONORS

Overall Most Valuable Player .....Arturo Guevara  
 Most Valuable Player, Defense .....Brian O'Hara  
 Most Valuable Player, Offense .....Damian Guerrero  
 Most Improved Players .....Kevin Rugaard  
 Coaches' Award .....Joe Kaczmarek  
 All-Conference 1st Team .....Damian Guerreo  
 .....Arturo Guevara  
 All-Conference Special Mention .....Brian O'Hara  
 All-Conference Honorable Mention .....James Callahan  
 .....Alberto Perez



Arturo Guevara looks determined to attack the ball and anything else that gets in his way.



Despite the presence of an Oswego Panther behind him, David Boyle tries to get control of the ball.



David Boyle maneuvers his way around an opponent.



Jason Hemple uses his skills to take charge of the ball.



**Sophomore Soccer:** Front: Ramon Bejarano, David Reser, Julio Gomez, Francisco Resendiz. Second Row: Beau Brown, Michael Penafior, Ken Schuda, Greg Wheaton, Lars Higdon, Mario Marrero, Nisschil Patel, Erick Chorobik. Back: Coach Steve Brugman, Jon Mam, Michael Boes, Neil Fuchs, Michael Streams, Kyle Lang, Jesse Salazar, Drew Koslow.



Giving high fives to the crowd, Arturo Guevara celebrates his team's championship at the pep assembly.



**Varsity Soccer:** Front: Dennis Janek, Kevin Rugaard, Eric Munoz. Second Row: Uriel Bejarano, Anthony Castiglia, Ryan Basic, Damian Guerrero, Adrian Guzman, Israel Pasillas, Oswaldo Mercado, Andy Spalo, Joe Leli, Joe Kaczmarek. Thlrd Row: Manager Brenda Bayard, Alberto Perez, Jim Callahan, Mike Bolt, Kenny Dedic, Ernesto Vargas, Randy Labak, Antonio Pasillas, Arturo Guevara, Coach Antonio Del Real. Back: Nino Gonzales, Kevin Openshaw, Jon Hall, Kim Grundstedt, Ryan Dorn, Jason Hemple, Dave Boyle, Brian O'Hara, Braulio Reyes.



The varsity team proudly displays the plaque that names them the 1997 Sectional Champions.



Jason Hemple struggles to keep the ball in play.



Keeping one eye on his opponent and one eye on the ball, Kevin Openshaw looks for a way to move to the goal.



Eager to win the game, Israel Pasillas heads the ball away from his opponent.



Arturo Guevara goes head to head with an Oswego Panther at a home game.



With a look of determination on his face, Antonio Pasillas gives the ball a good kick.



The varsity soccer cheerleaders take time-out to pose for a quick picture. Front: Nancy Ortiz. Second Row: Lisa Mendez, Yvonne Spencer. Back: Sheridan Bolz, Tiffany Gunther, Malgorzata Steciuk, Jennifer Lasky, Eva Silva.



Brian O'Hara fights with an Oswego Panther for control of the ball.

# Leaving 'Em Black An' Blue

In one short year, Coach Stone showed what he can do by beginning to turn this team around. "I'd give anything to have another year because Coach Stone is a great coach and they're going to be really great next year," said senior P.J. Augustyn sadly. Under Stone's coaching, the Wildcats revealed real determination and enthusiasm. The Wildcats worked on putting in an entirely new offense and defense and worked on the basic fundamentals of football. The team also worked on changing the attitude



towards losing. Through their positive attitudes, they were able to push themselves mentally and physically to the limit. "The kids worked as hard in the last week (of football) as they did in the first week," said Coach Stone. The freshman team had one win this year, and the sophomores had three wins and one tie. The Varsity team won against Glenbard South and came very close to winning against West Aurora. The Wildcats had a great year. As Jeff Villarreal said, "Look for us in the future." Go, We-Go!!

Varsity. Front: John Melone, Frank Coconato, Omar Osario, Shann Olson, Josh Slattery, Rich Divito, Joe Rohr, P.J. Leitherer. Row 2: Coach Tony Nevery, Marvin Boorsma, Chris Bookoven, Mike Chapin, Mike Brosseau, Mike Schneider, Luis Aguado, Cesar Pena, Coach Greg Hansen. Row 3: Coach John Walters, Dan McGregory, John Svast, Jeremy Adams, Jason Osterkamp, Chris Grin, Chris Weston, P.J. Augustyn, Adam Morrissey, Coach Bob Stone. Back: Jim Carstensen, John Jensen, Jim Raethz, Brian Raymond, Justin McLoughlin, Andrew Merrick, Phil Zelman. Not Pictured: Tim Harwood, Jim Spellman, Joe Mendez.



The Varsity defense gets ready to go up against Glenbard East.



Varsity Cheerleading. Front: Tracy Elder, Shannon Nelson, Connie Pappas, Angie Berg. Row 2: Maggie McPike, Jenny Ventrelle, Rebecca Villarreal, Amanda Olson, Beth Evans. Back: Amber Planek, Jennie Perry, Megan McDowell, Beth Nagel, Kelsey Link, Kim Charborneau.



Sophomores. Front: John DuBose, Jorge Alfaro, John Millner, Matt McKenney, Dan O'hara, Erik Hansen, Pat Reynolds, Matt Shane, Jason Boswell. Row 2: Freddy Lopez, Dan Fortier, Sean Peterson, Bobby Holguin, Cha-Chi Mendoza, Joe Bentham, Matt Grogan, Andrew Vock, Kenny Leonard, Jay Wheeler, Pete Serrato, Eric Wood. Row 3: Coach Butch Hansen, Coach Jim Rexillius, Nick Chapman, Adam Buenz, Jeff Griffin, Chip Ault, Robbie Rohrback, Rick Heltsey, Jared Winquist, Sean Morris, Rog Guzman, Brian Jones. Back: John Velasquez, Chris Batty, Matt Strike, Victor Osario, Nick Pray, Justin Hall, Bryan Kelsey, Adam Miller. Not Pictured: Jeremy Willes.



Freshman. Front: Coach John Elkins, Brandon Brack, Jim Peterson, Javier Contreras, Ivan Garcia, David Castillo, Mike Mroz, Ken Yourek, Tim Axelrod, Matt Britton, Jeff Villarreal, Dennis Kirschke, Ruben Diaz. Row 2: Paul Novak, James Jaffe, Sean Hannon, Justin Kallas, Mike Swan, Brian Campbell, Ricardo Atilos, Sammy Mashal, Dave Tiscareno, Nick Richardson, Mike Watkins, Tim Carstensen, Coach Scott Davidson. Row 3: Coach Ward Rau, Adam Turner, Chris Raethz, Alberto Chavez, Brian Ellerbruch, Jesse Vining, Brad Olson, Erich Fries, Deangelo Hanson, Brett Dieter, Matt Jernstad, Danny Schneider, Kevin Stott, Coach Bob Burns. Back: Brian Wakefield, Robert Whitman, Tony Parra, Keegan Garber, Matt Raymond, Eddie Cruz, Jaimie Merlo, Tom Heun, Zach Muse, Zach Pederson, Jerry Coleman, John Koladick, Nick Snell. Not Pictured: Brandon Barclay, Eric Hancock, Mike Nutall, Steve Taylor.







The Sophomore defense get ready to huddle.

By the time we're Varsity, we'll be the team to beat.  
— Justin Kallas.

I wish I could stay here one more year just to play football.  
— John Svast



Jim Carstensen scrambles away from Glenbard East's #2 to make a touchdown.



John Jensen escapes away from an opponent's grasp.



Mike Schneider looks for an opening to run through.



Jason Osterkamp relaxes on the sidelines.

# Reaching For The Blue

Girls' Tennis. Front Tricia Bozich, Marla D'Aversa, Kelly Yednock, Jenette Soto, Jenny Briggs. Second Arti Talati, Amanda Hallock, Aisha Jafri, Fran Smith, Nicole Wigder, Neha Soneji. Third Manager Maulin Soneji, Sheetal Rami, Liz Breiseth, Kristine Cleveland, Theresa Visser, Elizabeth Murphy, Coach Nancy Douglas. Not Pictured Coach Sione Moeaki.

With a record of 7 and 14, the girls tennis team had a good year for individual improvement. All the girls worked hard at their skills, and, most importantly, team unity. Considering some team players were new and inexperienced in the sport, they all worked hard for the team. Team captains Kelly Yednock and Elizabeth Breiseth did a great job hold-



ing the team together and giving a helping hand to other members in need. MVPs Nicole Wigder and Elizabeth Murphy did an exceptional job this year. They worked very hard for the team. Nicole Wigder was named Most Improved Player. Kelly Yednock and Liz Breiseth won the Coaches' Award. Overall, team unity kept everyone

going.



Our team continues to strive to make the upcoming season spectacular. -Jenny Briggs



Nicole Wigder serves the ball over the net.

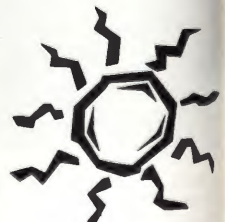


Elizabeth Murphy shows Wildcat Pride as she goes after the ball.



Marla D'Aversa puts all of her strength into sending the ball back across the net.

"The perfect season for the perfect sport. - Theresa Visser"



Diving. Front: Emily Mueller, Heidi Lakics, Katalin Larm. Back: Coach Janet Culloton, Laura Winter, Jacklyn Scott, Teresa Olvera. Not Pictured: Cheryl Hitzeroth.



## Swimming And Diving In The Blue

**V**-I-C-T-O-R-Y!! That's the Wildcat battle cry!! Despite many injuries that plagued the team this season, the Wildcats were strong enough to send a medley relay team, and an individual, Abby Grant, for the breast stroke to State. Coach Dan Johnson said, "It was a good season. The team reached it's goals - getting to state by having a great sectional. The team has to look forward in the future to doing the extra things when getting to state." Not only did the Wildcats focus on the hard work

that makes a swimmer good, they focused on doing charity work for the community by conducting a clothing and food drive. The Wildcat Swimming women had a challenging but great year.



The Wildcat Divers also had an excellent season. Under Janet Culloton's expert coaching, the girls added to their repertoire many new and challenging dives. "I am very proud of these girls. They were able to focus and give their worst dives a try along with their best dives," said Coach Culloton.

" I love after swimming toga parties! -Erin Ryan "

" Diving in the blue is fun to do! -Jacklyn Scott "



Mary Fenner breaststrokes her way to the finish.



Monica "Slacker" Acker takes a deep breath after a grueling practice.



Girls' Swimming. Front: Erin Ryan, Danielle Lureau, Monica Acker, Mary Fenner, Angie Johnson, Anna Macias, Nicole Walsh. Row Two: Donita Spauhurst, Stephanie Shalek, Cathy Wilken, Rosa McGee, Christina Novak, Tracey Drzal. Row Three: Michelle Skala, Nikki Oroni, Jeannine Ogorek, Katy Coffman, Shannon Sterne, Abby Grant, Page Powell, Jenny Cwiak. Back: Coach Dan Johnson, Manager David Marino.



Emily Mueller shows her skill while performing a reverse dive pike.



Katalin Larm show's everyone how to do a perfect inward dive pike.

# Driving Forward

Off to a great start, WeGo boys took third in the Conant Early-bird Invitational, and ended fifth in the DVC. In between, the season was not what they had hoped. Jeff Powell's view was that, "We had the best talent that West Chicago has ever seen — we were physically ready to compete, but not mentally." Despite this season's outlook, WeGo held a 10-5 overall record, 3-4 in conference. Justin Sadauskas made first team all conference and Jeff Powell earned honorable mention.

WeGo girls worked hard too. Improving greatly, getting up at 5:30 each morning to tee off during the summer didn't seem so bad. There were some high points of the season, too, like when WeGo beat Batavia by a close four points. For Allison Kuranishi, the fun was in "scoping out the other guys' teams that practiced." All in all, the girls ended 1-7, looking forward to a better year in '98. As Molly Saul said about their season, "We wanted to improve on the record from the year before. We improved as soon as we got our first win." — Brenda Vergara & Mark Doeseckle



Kevin Brewer takes a minute from golf to shoot a little pool.



**Boys' Varsity.** Front: Chris Howell, Rick Williams, Justin Sadauskas, Kyle Mulligan, Jeff Belokin. Back: Adam Bridge, Jason Sewell, Jeff Powell, Kevin Brewer, John Brigowatz, Coach Tim Courtney.



Rick Williams, Kevin Brewer, Justin Sadauskas, John Brigowatz, and Adam Bridge use Jason Sewell as a human golf tee.



Jason Sewell gets ready to take a swing for a hole in one.



MVP Jenny Mullaney judges the green with hopes for a low game.



**Girls' Varsity.** Front: Jessica Leston, Helen Walsh, Angel Mullaney, Molly Saul. Back: Ellen McLoughlin, Jenny Mullaney, Lydia Schroeder, Christina Palombi, Coach Mike Cain.



**Sophomores.** Front: Carl Thoemmes, Tim Yormark, Matthew Wheatley, Tim Warren, Michael Wenz. Back: Kevin McCarthy, Daniel Toboja, David Gilbertsen, Joseph Lureau, Matthew Borschke.

# Going The Distance



**Boys' Varsity.** Front: Ben Harkins, Bryan Franckowiak, Tim Keller, David Toney, Kyle Hempel. Row 2: Jeff Sgtogis, Doug Stroock, Alfredo Muhlberger, Anthony Carbonarri, Nick Duffy. Back: Rich Belcher, Gustavo Porcayo, Bart Visser, Wes Skidgel, Dan Young, coach Paul McLeland.



Alfred Muhlberger keeps a steady pace as he leads the Wildcats to the finish line ...



The WeGo girls' Amie Weidner, Laura Caligiuri, and Becky Watson are off to a great start.

The Cross Country team finished in the top half of every meet this year, providing a good beginning for Wildcat sports in '97-'98. The fourth out of eight teams in the DVC meet, only the fourth time in 22 years WeGo finished in the top half. Qualifying for sectionals, WeGo finished 13th with Dan Young going first team all conference and Wes Skidgel earning honorable mention. MVP went to Dan Young for boys and Crystal Adams and Jennifer Wiechert for the girls. Overall, this proved to be a good season for Cross Country, breaking new territory every step of the way.



**Girls' Varsity.** Front: Jennifer Wiechert, Michelle Lasky, Rachel Watson, Missy Krueger. Row 2: Tracy Erickson, Laura Calligiuri, Rachel Altergott, Christina Payton, Crystal Adams. Back: Tracy Yednock, Robyn Leary, Janine Morris, Amie Weidner, Becky Watson.



Wes Skidgel and Bryan Frankowiak mentally prepare themselves for the day's events.



Laura Caligiuri stays focused on finishing the race.

# Quality Over Quantity

This year's team may have been small in numbers, fielding only 35, wrestlers across all levels, but that only made their determination greater. "Wrestling was hard because we didn't have enough wrestlers to win meets," said freshman Rob Whitman. As a result, individual accomplishment became the focus of the team. Sophomore Nick Pray said, "I love to compete ... and win." Junior Luis Aguado said, "I like the fact that when I lose the only one I can blame is myself; it makes me stronger." And senior Greg Gomez said, "[Before every match] I would hit my head and legs to get me warmed up." Many wrestlers deserved recognition for their performance. Lucas English finished his high school wrestling career by getting to the finals in the DVC Varsity Tournament. Dale English had one of his personal best seasons this year, winning eight matches. Pete Serrato joined the Varsity roster this year with six pins. Congratulations were due to the rest of the wrestling team for overcoming pain to help out the team and believing in the Power of the Paw.



**Cheerleaders.** Front: Eva Silva, Malgosia Steciuk. Row 2: Jenny Lasky, Tiffany Gunther, Monica Acker. Back: Katalin Lamm, Lisa Mendez, Becky Guerrero.



Marvin "Flea" Boorsma struggles to control his opponent.

**Varsity.** Front: Mgr. Brenda Berendson, Arturo Zuniga, Greg Gomez, Nick Chapman, Dustin Smith, Mgr. Page Powell. Row 2: Mgr. Sara Stevens, Pete Serrato, Lucas English, Ben Stevens, Steve Pastore, Cesar Pena, Coach Bob Guerrero. Back: Marvin Boorsma, Dale English, John Svast, Jason Osterkamp, Luis Aguado, Coach Bob Hein. Not Pictured: Matt Britton.



**Junior Varsity.** Front: Mgr. Brenda Berendson, Nick Pray, Freddy Lopez, Rachel Watson, Mgr. Page Powell. Row 2: Mgr. Sara Stevens, Eric Wood, Dustin Kennedy, John Millner, Jon Jones. Row 3: Coach Bob Guerrero, Jared Winquist, Dave DuBose, Sean Petersen, Matt Grogan.



**Freshmen.** Front: Steve Taylor, Dennis Kirschke, Jr. Row 2: Mgr. Page Powell, Jeff Smith, Mike Mroz, James Jaffe, Eric Mederich, Mgr. Sara Stevens. Row 3: Mgr. Brenda Berendson, Rob Whitman, Adam Turner, James Farjeap, Coach Jeff Ainsworth.



John Svast powerfully holds his opponent in a cradle.

# Making Waves



Brian Algaard takes a breath in his famous freestyle stroke.

Senior Dave Marino said, "[at least] the swim team has a better record than the football team." The Wildcats started the season off strong with a score of 92 points, defeating Morton High School in their first meet. They blew Crystal Lake Central out of the water, winning by 23 points, and they beat Elgin by a slim 4 points. "The season went better than anticipated. Our biggest surprise was Joey Lureau because he broke the freshman record in the very first meet, and in doing so he qualified for state. With four meets to go, he broke the varsity record by 2 seconds and he's ranked third in the state," said Coach Hall proudly. In sectionals Lureau won first place in the 200 Individual Medley and 100 Breaststroke.

Two members of the team doubled as divers. These two individuals, Jake McPherson and Joe Hamlin, had to balance their time between swimming and diving. If it weren't for their valiant efforts, the Wildcats would not have had enough points to win any meet. "With a beginner team, the wildcats showed their strength by placing first in diving almost every time. They achieved this by adding new dives continually throughout the season. Jake MacPherson said his philosophy was, "Never, ever bail out of a dive."



Joe Hamlin and Kevin McCarthy practice their starts during practice.



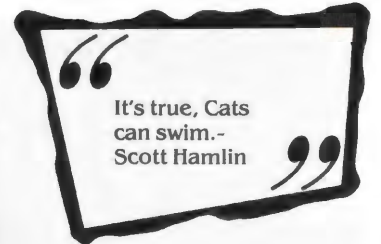
Kevin McCarthy concentrates on perfecting his breaststroke during practice.



Jake McPherson attempts to fly.



Varsity. Row 1: Kevin McCarthy, Joe Hamlin, Joey Lureau. Row 2: Coach Chris Hall, Dave Marino, Jake MacPherson, Scott Hamlin, Mark Gottlieb, Coach Janet Culloton. Not Pictured: Brian Algaard.





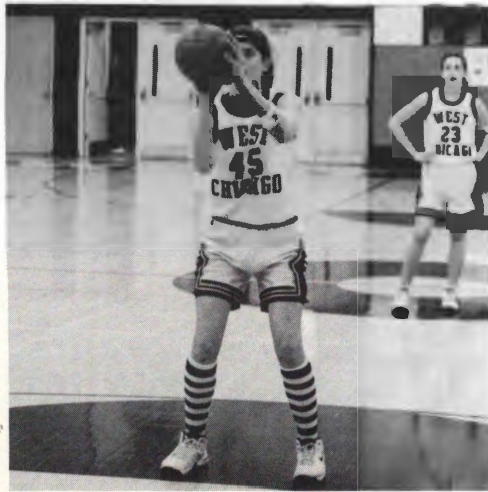
Senior Andrea Beutjer makes one of her typically amazing passes around a Naperville North defender.



It might seem that Junior Ellen McLoughlin is about to pass the ball, but in reality she's just trying to strike a good pose for the camera.



Junior Melissa Acker tries to make an easy layup as she soars over the defense.



Senior Leslie Harlson concentrates as she tries to make the most of the free throws she's been awarded.

The Wildcats did not exactly get the season they were looking for this year, although it had to be hard coming off such a fantastic '96-'97 season (20-8 with 3 All Conference players). This year the lady cats ended the season with a record of 13-15 overall and 6-8 in conference. The teams' M.V.P. Leslie Harlson, was also a unanimous member of the 1st team all conference team to which Kim Olson received a special mention. The M.I.P. honors went to Janine Morris. The J.V. team finished with a record of 2-16, including a conference record of 1-13, while the sophomores had an 8-13 record, 6-8 in conference. The freshmen brought up the rear with signs of improvement with a 9-14 record, 4-10 in conference.



Senior guard Andrea Beutjer drives to the hoop for a slam dunk. Well, maybe not, but it's two more points for the Wildcats no matter how you look at it.



For junior Jeanette Arroyo, taking off on the Air Arroyo Express, making this basket has become routine.



Driving baseline, Senior Janine Morris makes her way towards the basket for another West Chicago field goal.



Shooting three pointers, as in this game against Glenbard North, is only one of the skills sophomore Kim Olsen possesses.





**Freshmen.** Front: Jessica Willis, Shannon Stern, Shannon Masschelin, Kelly Quarto. Row 2: Alex Corson, Jenny Cwiak, Nicole Morrissey, Caroline Widarski, Angela Skaggs, Laura McQueen. Back: Jillian Wojcik, Shannon Flowers, Melissa Garcia, Kathy Wilkens, Sarah Coiley, Jamie Schmidt, Coach Kim Maloney.



**Sophomores.** Front: Gabrielle Long, Alissa Mildebrath, Katie Saul, Andrea Enger. Row 2: Michelle Skala, Chrissy Gonzalez, Katie Owens, Christina Payton. Back: Lauren Nickelson, Beth Brinn, Allison Fick, Kathy Brinn, Coach Laurie Davidson.

# Girls'

# B-Ball



**J.V.** Front: Neha Soneji, Missy Krueger. Row 2: Krista Varble, Ellen McLaughlin, Nicole Gomez, Natalia Sienkowiec. Back: Melissa Miller, Kristine Cleveland, Leah Spindler, Michelle Grove, Coach Rivan.



The team gathers to feed each other some Wildcat spirit.



Kelly Bolton rears back to pass the ball to the top of the key.



**Varsity.** Front: Jeanette Arroyo, Melissa Acker, Andrea Beutjer, Michelle Lasky. Row 2: Molly Saul, Kim Olson, Kelly Bolton, Kim Ellis. Back: Coach Kim Wallner, Nicole Prescott, Leslie Harlson, Janine Morris, Coach Tom Rivan.

# Fighting Strong

The WeGo squad fought hard this season. With returning players Jon Hall and Jim Callahan, the season looked hopeful. This was especially true with the addition of Super-Swede Martin Filipsson, Brian Raymond, and Chris Grin.

High points included the game against Wheaton North, where the Wildcats were so fired up Wheaton didn't know what hit them. WeGo won 67-41. Another was against Wheaton Warrenville South in the regionals. Going into the

game with two previous losses to South, WeGo was determined. Brian Raymond kept Wheaton's Eric Channing virtually ineffective against them and three starters stepped up to lead the offensive side. In the end, WeGo won.



Although the season didn't turn out as they would have liked, everyone enjoyed it. From the NIU game to watching Hoosiers, the players felt the season was truly a good one.

*-Mark J. Doeseckle & Kelly Kaylor*

Varsity. Front: Jim Callahan, Brian Frankowiak, Jeff Callahan, Jeff Belokin. Row 2: Justin Coletti, Justin McLoughlin, Brian Raymond, Andrew Merrick, Mark Doeseckle, Martin Filipsson. Back: Coach Kevin Gimre, Jeremy Adams, Chris Grin, Jon Hall, Jusin Sadowski, Coach Dan McCarthy.



Jeremy Adams searches the post looking for an opening.



Jon Hall lays it in for an easy two points.



Coach Dan McCarthy sets up a quick play during a time out.



Sophomores. Front: Robert Kwasniewicz, Bryan Kelsey. Row 2: Daniel Fortier, Jeff Beutjer, Rog Guzman, Dave Boyle, Dan O'Hara, Brain Jones. Back: Sean Morris, Adam Buenz, Rob Rohrback, Justin Hall, Coach Dave Sayner.



Varsity Cheerleaders. Front: Angie Berg, Jenny Perry, Amy Hooke, Meagan McDowell, Maggie McPike. Row 2: Amanda Olson, Jenny Ventrell, Beth Nagel, Kim Charbonneau. Row 3: Kelsey Link, Beth Evans, Becky Villarreal, Allison Kuranishi, Tracy Elder. Back: Jenny Vlach.





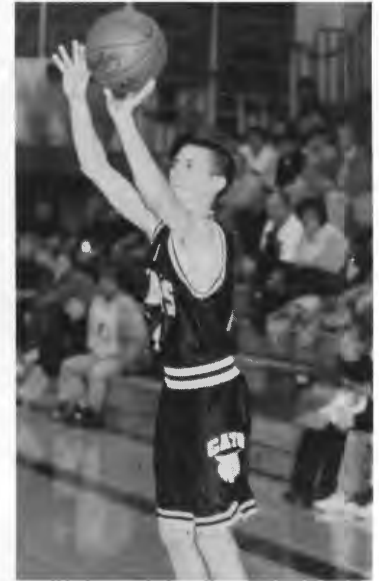
Coach Dan McCarthy thinks of possible plans to stop Glenbard North as he watches.



Martin Filipsson takes it to the hole with ease.



Superman Jim Callahan pops an easy three.



"Next year I am looking forward to being 6'6" and dunking over Andrew Merrick." -Jeff Callahan



Justin Sadauski goes up strong after a rebound.



**Freshman A.** Front: Felipe Perez, Carlos Perez, Justin Kallas. Row 2: Tim Carstensen, Josh Rogers, Phil Piemonte, Matt Raymond, Phil Legorretta, Brett Dieter. Back: Steve Gilbert, Brad Olsen, Brian Howard, Coach Larry Lancotti.



**Freshman B.** Front: Brian Wakefield, Brian Kerr. Row 2: Don Raines, Adam Zimmerman, Nick Romanelli, Nick Richardson, Jerry Coleman, Jon Jelinek. Back: Alberto Chavez, Adam Mrugacz, Mike Nutall, Coach Sean Armstrong.

# Spiking It Up With The Wildcats



Team captain Mitch McCabe gets psyched to serve.

**W**ith a positive attitude going into the season, Volleyball worked their best to achieve some wins. Captains Mitch McCabe and Kevin Rugaard saw the season as very hopeful, but unfortunately, the team had a bit of a struggle. Varsity finished with an overall record of 7-28 and a

conference record of 0-8. The J.V. team ended the season on a higher note: 10-15 overall and 4-5 in conference. Both teams worked well together and tried their best, and in the end that's all that really matters. - Lisa Cosco and Brooke Fries



Jeff Tilson bumps back with all his might.



Mitch McCabe, Derek Scott, Brad Olsen, Kevin Rugaard and Mike Herzberger stand and wait for the team's starting line up.



**Varsity.** Front: Kim Ellis, Mike Herzberger, Randy Labak, Juan Robles, Jaime Kennedy, Julie Fosco. Row 2: Kevin Rugaard, Lindsay Michael, Mark Lasky, Daryl Spohn, Ken Dedic, Lindsey Castiglia, Mitch McCabe. Back: Coach Kris Hasty, Derek Scott, Evan Larson, Brad Olsen, Kim Grundstedt, Assistant Coach Tony Nevrlly.



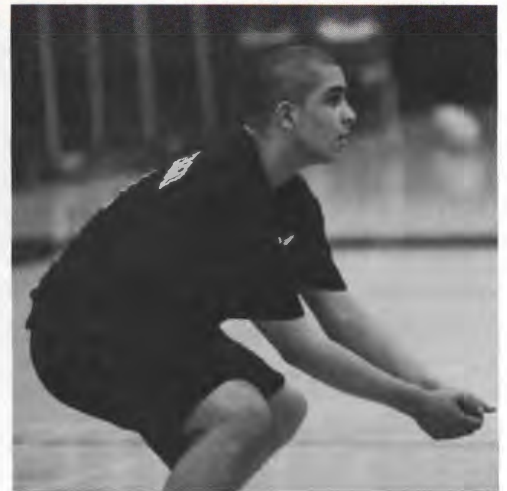
**Junior Varsity.** Front: Jaime Kennedy, Denis Janek, Nick Romanelli, Jose Martinez, Brian Wakefield, Adam Hamrick, Brian Kerr, Julie Fosco. Row 2: Lindsay Michael, Tom Boward, Ross Jeamy, Jesse Salazar, Jerry Coleman, Matt Shane, John McPheters, Lindsey Castiglia. Back: Coach Tony Nevrlly, Juan Robles, Bob Mull, Jeff Griffin, Chip Ault, Jeff Gilbert, Jeff Tilson, Alberto Chavez, Kim Ellis.



All is quiet when Derek Scott prepares to serve to make the point that could make or break the game.



Glancing over his shoulder, Randy Labak checks what his teammates are going to do next.



Juan Robles stands in position; nothing is going to get past him.



Nick Romanelli, Jeff Griffin, Jesse Salazar are shocked at the last call.



Kevin Rugaard puts on his game face as the Varsity team breaks into the game.



Jeff Gilbert concentrates on placing his serve for an ace.



Hit 'em hard Evan Larson.

# Crowling Girls In Blue

The 1998 girls' soccer team was the last Wildcat team to play on Memorial Field before it was demolished to make way for the addition to the west end of the building. The season was a frustrating one in which the Wildcats compiled an overall record of 8-12-1, 3-4 in conference, but the girls saw highlights with wins over St. Francis, McHenry, Fenton, Glenbard North, Glenbard East, and West Aurora. Standout players included Most Valuable Player Stefanie



Prena, Most Improved Player Cara Rosacker, and Coach's Award winner Trisha Tinnes. Other players who made the season exciting were Breneda Bayard, who several times broke away from opponents to tear down the field toward the goal all by herself, and Esther Gonzalez, who made repeated attempts to put a header into the net. In spite of the disappointing season record, the team maintained their spirit and determination throughout.



Dora Guevara looks for teammates for a throw in.



Trisha Tinnes advances as she wins the ball from her opponent.



Brenda Bayard comes face to face with a West Aurora Blackhawk as she tries to win the ball over.



Kim Olson and Esther Gonzalez team up to keep the ball in control.



Varsity Soccer. Front: Brenda Bayard, Maribel Benitez, Niki Medina, Esther Gonzalez, Kristi Reeser. Row 2: Tracy Drzal, Sarah Dietz, Vicki Guevara, Claudia Garcia, Diana Chavez, Rosemary Ayala, Maribel Rodriguez. Back: Dora Guevara, Trisha Tinnes, Beth Schlenger, Stefanie Prena, Blanca Ruiz, Head Coach Julio Del Real.



Hoping to score, Esther Gonzalez furiously heads the ball from the goalkeeper's grasp.



Nicole Medina practices her goalkeeping skills before a game.



Diana Chavez kicks the ball trying to get it closer to the goal.



**Girls' J.V. Front:** Sandra Beltran, Amy Kusch, Marisa Alfaro, Jenny Rugaard, Mercedes Koch, Abby Grant, Grace Moreno, Rocío Tovar, Arianna Garcia. **Row Two:** Bertha Garcia, Rachel Watson, Christina Payton, Cara Rosacker, Natalia Seidler, Stephanie Shalek, Lisa Mari, Rachel Baker, Tracy Drzal, Katie Owen. **Back:** Shannon Spohn, Katie Coffman, Evelyn Garcia, Ann Milauskas, Allison Brown, Coach Antonio Del Real.



**Freshman Soccer. Front:** Tanya Ortiz, Sara Stevens, Marisela Robles, Liz Ortiz. **Row Two:** Janita Patel, Meghan Burlison, Lynne Gallimore, Julietta Pavela, Amanda Campagnoni, Amy Arroyo. **Back:** Coach Bob "Bruno" Owens, Dzintra Osis, Bethany Mummert, Tracy Yednock, Liz Bucio. **Not Pictured:** Sara Donovan, Heidi Carballo, Anabelle Gonzalez.



Vicki Quevara takes charge and speeds ahead of a West Aurora Blackhawk.



Liz Ribe kicks the ball with force, getting it closer to her teammates.



Nicole Medina dives to the ground to stop the ball from getting into the net.



Rosemary Ayala goes one-on-one with her opponent to get control of the ball.

# G

Molly Saul attempts to steal second as she watches the pitcher deliver the pitch.



An intense look lies upon the face of junior pitcher Chrisy Dabbert, as she takes the signs for a harder next pitch.



Kelly Bolton jogs to first base after ball four.



Freshmen. Front: Annie Wilkovich, Lindsay Swell, Shannon Masschelin, Ashley Link, and Tammy Ketelaar. Row 2: Laura McQueen, Shannon Koehring, Caroline Widerski, Alex Corson, and Christen Ruiz. Back: Jaymie Schmidt, Kelly Frazier, Brooke Benzio, Amy Kreml, Shannon Flowers, and Coach Lisa Willuweit. Not pictured: Laura Schneider.

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She hits the ball, it's going back. She rounds second, looks up, and finds the ball nowhere in sight. As she hits third the coach assures her she'll be safe and to go home. WCCCHS girls' softball teams have brought home countless victories. At their practices, they work their hardest to assure them a win for the upcoming game. To many of this years players, this sport is not new. Most have been playing together for years! In fact, most of them have been playing ever since they can remember. Varsity's overall record was 20 wins to 9 losses. They did a great job this year and their conference record was 10-4, which put them in a 4-way tie for first place! Junior Varsity's overall record was 21 wins to only 3 losses. Their conference record was 14-0, putting them in first place. Freshmen played excellently for their first year! Their overall record was 20 wins and 5 losses. Their conference record was 10-3. When these girls won, it made us proud of WCCCHS and especially of them! If you want to watch WCCCHS kick butt, go to a softball game!!

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The Wildcat infield gathers to keep their spirits high and to get ready for whatever their opponents decide to throw their way.



Senior Candy Widerski attempts to lay down a picture-perfect sacrifice bunt.



Senior Jessica Leston has the "hit me the ball" attitude as she prepares for an incoming ground ball.



**Junior Varsity.** Front: Neha Soneji, Shannon Nelson, Taylor Long, Megan Leston. Row 2: Tonia Pecoraro, Dayna Catenacci, Angel Mullaney, Brenda Berendson, Sara Kochniarczyk, Gabrielle Long, Diane Caruso. Back: Karen Shockey, Alissa Mildebrath, Beth Warren, Tracy Erickson, Kristen Leitherer, Coach Kim Wallner.



**Varsity.** Front: Darcie Wostratsky, Angela Valdez, Jeanette Arroyo, Jenni Hoffman, Candace Widerski. Row 2: Missy Krueger, Courtney Czech, Molly Saul, Jessica Leston, Chrissy Dabbert, Kelly Bolton, Ellen McLaughlin, Melissa Acker, Megan Leston. Back: Coach Jeff Bolton, Jenny Mullaney, Autumn Planek, Ana Fernandez, Coach Tom Rivan, Coach Jim Schaudt.



Jenny Mullaney braces herself as she finds the ball in her mitt.



Senior Jenni Hoffman makes a foul line throw to first for the first out of the game.

# Men In Blue

**W**ildcat baseball was not satisfied with the team's 11-20-1 finish overall and 6-15 record in the DVC. The team had carried high hopes and a positive outlook throughout the season, but a tough Geneva squad ended the Cats' chance at a regional title. Despite several successful outings against St. Francis of Minn. in the Metrodome, and a number of other solid victories, the team struggled. Senior John Brigowatz said, "We were better than our record showed."

Senior first baseman John Jensen and junior second baseman Brian Raymond were honored by being selected to the All-Conference team. Jensen was the team's MVP and Most Improved Players were John Hall, Brian O'Hara, and Eddie Palombi.

-Kelly Kaylor

“

On the Minnesota trip a goal was set and we were determined to achieve it.

-Jim Callahan

”



John Brigowatz swings with all of his might as he attempts to connect with the pitch.



Todd Yormark demonstrates his perfect throwing form while making the play at first.



Pitcher Adam Morrissey throws some heat at the opponent.



Opp.	Varsity Baseball DVC Record	WeGo
6	Whtn. Warr. South	5
0	Wheaton North	10
1	Naperville North	2
5	Glenbard East	2
9	Naperville Central	2
2	Glenbard North	4
5	Whtn. Warr. South	1
5	Whtn Warr. South	4
2	Wheaton North	4
14	Wheaton North	8
7	Naperville North	3
0	Naperville North	3
5	Glenbard North	4
10	Glenbard East	7
5	Glenbard East	1
14	Naperville Central	4
11	Naperville Central	7
7	West Aurora	3
8	West Aurora	9
5	Glenbard North	3



Baserunner P.J. Leitherer gets ready to show off his dazzling speed.



Jon Hall uses the bounce to successfully field the ground ball.



**Varsity.** Front: Jeff Powell, P.J. Leitherer, Joe Swantek, John Brigowatz, Eddie Palombi. Row 2: Jim Callahan, Todd Yormark, Justin McLoughlin, Brian O'Hara, Jeff Callahan. Back: Coach Gimre, Adam Morrissey, Chris Grin, Jon Hall, John Jensen, Coach Courtney. Not Pictured: Brian Raymond, Mike Schneider.



Dugout cheerleaders Swantek, Brigowatz, O'Hara, Morrissey, McLoughlin, Callahan, Schneider.



**Sophomore.** Front: Ryan Dorn, Dan Barzso, Erik Hansen. Row 2: Julian Gomez, Nick Chapman, Drew Koslow, Ken Leonard, Rob Holguin, Lars Higdon. Back: Jorge Alfaro, Jordan Eash, Sean Morris, Sean Peterson, Bryan Kelsey, Dan O'Hara, Coach Walters.



First baseman Chris Grin waits in anticipation for the ball to come his way.



John Jensen demonstrates perfect hitting form as he awaits the next pitch.



**Freshmen.** Front: Tim Warren, Nick Richardson, John Kolodick. Row 2: Tom Huen, Matt Powell, Kevin Stott, Jeff Betts, Adam Zimmerman, David Gilbertson. Back: Tim Yormark, Phil Piemonte, Brett Dieter, Devin Rosen, Joe Lureau, Josh Rogers, Coach Walters.

# What A Racquet!

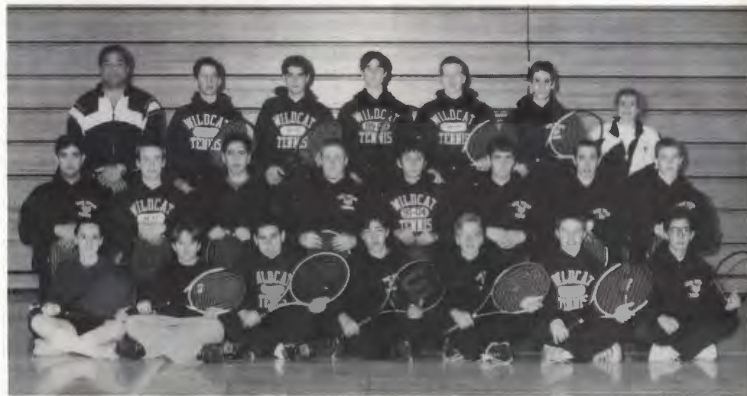
The Wildcat boys' tennis team had some difficulties with weather and having a fairly small team. Varsity won the first match against Streamwood. They got 6th place at the Geneva Tourney and 4th place in the Glenbard North Quad. At DVC the wily Wildcats took 8th place. In Sectionals they placed 7th out of 9. However, the JV team won three matches. They conquered Streamwood with a score of 4-0.

Larkin was beaten by the Wildcats with a score of 4-2, and they won by a close game of 3-2 against IMSA. "I like to hit things," said Brian Algaard.

Badminton had a great year. Varsity won against Riverside-

Brookfield with a score of 13-2, and they beat York with a score of 9-6. They destroyed East Aurora with a score of 12-3. Larkin and DeKalb lost against the Wildcats 10-5. At DVC they took 7th place.

The JV team buried DeKalb with a tremendous score of 15-0. The Wildcats beat East Aurora 7-0 and Larkin 9-0. At DVC they took 8th place. "Badminton is a really positive experience. It is a brilliant blend of teamwork combined with individual prosperity. Oh yeah, Miss Singleton is great too," reflected Amanda Bina. "The spirit of our team is so great; "Coach B. is an amazing person and we're glad she's here," admired Mary Helen Kovacs.



**Tennis.** Front: Marla D'Aversa, Ethan Neal, Kendel Christopherson, Andy Sinetos, Andy Spalo, Mike Kostal, Julio Arguello. Row 2: Maulin Soneji, Kevin McCarthy, Julio Gomez, Brian Ahlgard, Bobb Martin, Garret Hoffmann, Jason Neal, Chris Pagnozzi. Back: Coach Sione Moeaki, Dan Toboja, Chris Talbott, Mitch Strohm, Christian Vigsnes, Mike Boes, Coach Terry Lemberg.



Tennis is very hard because it requires ones' body to react in a flash without much time to recover. -Kendel Christopherson



Top: Maulin Soneji taps the ball. Left: Christian Vigsnes slams the ball over the net. Right: Eric Anderson gets ready to serve. Bottom: Garret Hoffmann searches for the ball.



Justin Sadauskas is blinded by the ball.



Julio Arguello reaches over to hit the ball.



Badminton. Front: Liz Murphy, Linda Xiong, Andrea Enger, Monica Acker, Amanda Bina, Amy Fairbairn, Tanya Austin. Row 2: Dana Mourning, Suzy Bollhoefer, Mary Helen Kovacs, Kim Chau, Katie Holt, Aisha Jafri, Christine Paran, Leena Patel. Back: Coach LaVora Singleton, Cheryl Hiltzerth, Emily Giermann, Michelle Grove, Lara Heinz, Amanda Millard, Anna Wing, Jessica Inch, Assistant Coach Judy Beckwith.

# Birdies In The Blue



Emily Giermann is about to slam the birdie.

Amanda Millard gets advice for her match.



Amy Fairbairn looks for the birdie.



“If you’ve never seen a match, come and watch one.” -Michelle Grove



Aisha Jafri prepares herself as she goes onto the court.

Tanya Austin throws the birdie in air.



# Now You See Them, Now You Don't

**T**he Wildcat women had a great year despite a shortage of runners. Sophomore Terri Jensen broke the triple jump record, achieving the length of 32' 10". Janine Morris tied the school record in high jump, and Janine Morris and Jocelyn Schineller both went to state, Schineller for discus. She threw the discus 118 feet and 4 inches, placing 15th out of 40 competitors. "It's remarkable, I think," said Coach Kelly Kolasa. Sophomore Alison Fick said, "Listening to Marilyn Manson's music, I was able to compete with confidence." "We love the Almighty coaches!" screamed seniors Lindsay Leckner and Danielle "Yelly Belly" Drumm.

In sectionals, Dan Young finished third in the 1600 with a time of 4:29.3. Bart Visser was 4th in the 800 with a time of 2:02.4. Given their times going into sectionals, We-Go runners weren't supposed to score, any points, but Tim Keller went to state for the 3200, clocking in at 9:39.54 to beat the state qualifying time of 9:40.0. Sophomore Dave Toney said, "Those who desire to win, will win. Those who don't, won't." Junior Bart Visser said, "It's fun to run." Senior Kevin Openshaw said, "Tim Keller is an animal." During the '98 year, the Wildcats, boys and girls, carried on the tradition of coming out fierce and explosive in all their races. Go We-Go.



Terri Jensen gets pumped for a long run ahead of her.



Jami Shanks puts a spin on her discus.



Antoine Booker reveals his determination at the start.



Sprinting a relay, David Boyle relaxes on the straight-away.



Larry Lubbs bursts out loaded with energy.



Rob Rohrback and Jon Brown compete against each other and Glenbard East in the 100 dash.



Regina Oroni, Kung Fu Fighter?

Nesim Kerimi passes the Baton to Pete Seratto.



**J.V. Boys.** Front: David Toney, Kyle Hempel, Mike Streams, Ed Hernandez. Row 2: Matt Wdowiarz, Mike Penaflo, Nishil Patel, Pete Serrato, Jon Brown, Rich Belcher. Back: Coach Paul McLeland, Pat Reynolds, Adam Mrugacz, Eric Buenz, Rob Rohrback, Coach Matt Doll, Coach Lynn Breckenfelder.



**Varsity Boys.** Front: Craig Martus, Jeff Stogis, Arturo Robles, Nick Duffy, Antoine Booker, Tim Keller. Row 2: Jason Butler, Matt Bajor, Kevin Openshaw, Larry Lubbs, Bryan Franckowiak, Chris Leton, Josh Slattery. Back: Coach Paul McLeland, Mark Blozis, Wes Skidgel, Dan Young, Jim Spelman, Bart Visser, Coach Matt Doll, Coach Lynn Breckenfelder.



Bryan Franckowiak and Kevin Openshaw begin a long race.



**Girls.** Front: D.C. Abante, Leah Black, Michelle Skala, Regina Oroni, Lindsay Leckner, Terri Jensen, Michelle Lasky, Crystal Adams. Row 2: Kelly Quarto, Fran Smith, Rachel Altergott, Jocelyn Schineller, Sarah Coiley, Lexie Nussbaum, Jessica Tonchick, Jami Shanks, Jenny Wiechert. Back: Coach Kelly Kolasa, Coach Karrie Mocarski, Angela Hanson, Beth Brinn, Danielle Drumm, Alison Fick, Janine Morris, Shannon Baker, Kristine Cleveland, Angie Johnson, Coach Carper. Not Pictured: Kathy Brinn, Becky Blenke, Jodi Zipprich.



Michelle Lasky sprints her way to the sand.



Eric Buenz leaps over a hurdle.

# Cheering Our Way To Victory

Once again, the cheerleaders helped keep the Wildcat spirit going strong. The football/basketball cheerleaders attended the annual Cheerleading Summer Camp, which was held at Lake Forest College in August, to help prepare for the year ahead.

At camp, senior cheerleaders tried out for the All American Award, which is a competition based on dancing, cheering, and jumps. Senior Jenny Ventrelle was presented with the award.

Mrs. Norma Silva continued as coach for the soccer/ wrestling cheerleaders, and Mrs. Patti Clifford became the new coach for the football/basketball season. With the help of their new coach, the cheerleaders managed to pull off another great year by sticking together and working hard. "Things came together and the ideas are flowing for next season," added Mary Helen Kovacs.

One thing is for certain: every cheerleader will take some great memories with her. "Make sure it's something you really want to do, because it can be a lot of work and time," is the advice senior Amanda Olson wants to pass on to future cheerleaders. -Brenda Vergara and Brian O'Hara



Megan McDowell and Kim Charbonneau are proof that cheerleading bonding night works.



Wrestling Cheerleaders Monica Acker and Eva Silva show off the college they would someday like to cheer for.



The football cheerleaders display their talent as they perform their half time routine.



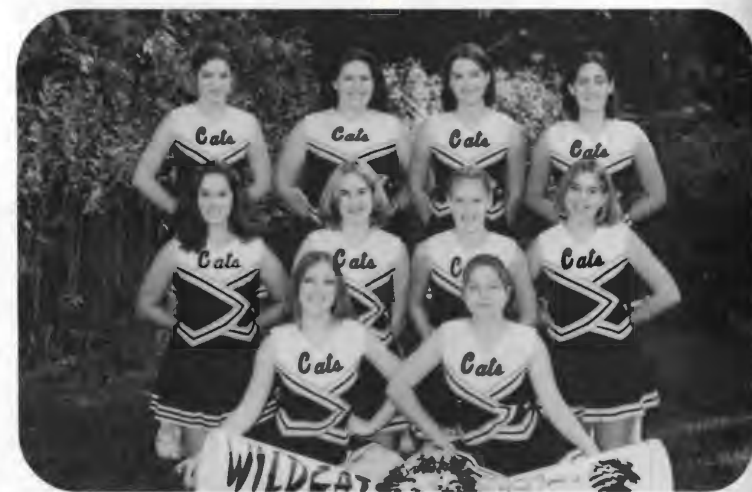
Connie Pappas and Beth Evans strike a pose during one of their performances.



Sophomore Basketball. Front: Erin Lichtfuss, Jessica Smiley, Kristin Leitherer, Christie Palombi. Second Row: Rachel Lawrence, Laura Winter, Sarah Kochniarczyk. Back: Dana Mourning, Suzy Bollhoefer. Not Pictured: Kat Pappas, Mary Kovacs.



The Wildcat cheerleaders parade down the streets of West Chicago during the Homecoming Parade.



Sophomore Football. Front: Suzy Bollhoefer, Dana Mourning. Second Row: Rachel Lawrence, Kathleen Pappas, Emily Sewell, Sarah Kochniarczyk. Back: Jessica Smiley, Erin Lichtfuss, Kristin Leitherer, Mary Helen Kovacs.



## Dazzling The Crowd



Courtney Ksepka and Meghan Horgan take a quick break after an exhausting performance.



Shelley Raethez, Brianna Smith and Lara Heinz excite the crowd with their twists and turns as they groove with the music.



Kelly Boyle smiles as she puts on a show worth remembering.



Missy Suizzo-Haines struts her stuff as the poms pull off another breathtaking performance.



Jacki Wood represents the sophomore class at the Homecoming half-time show.



Samantha Szczycki does her thing as she roots on the Wildcats.

During the summer of 1997 the WeGo poms trained hard for the upcoming season. It was extremely strenuous summer with practices up to 10 hours long everyday. Besides these practices, the poms went to the N.I.U. Badgerette camp where junior Staci Swan received the honor of being badgerette all star and senior Brianna Smith received the highest honor and was crowned Miss Badgerette. The poms this year fed off the leadership of these two captains and their other captain, senior Kelly Boyle. The group had tons of fun and major contributors to that were the pom bonding nights. According to captain Kelly Boyle, at these events they "dance, talk, bond, and eat a lot of food. Poms love to eat!" What else happens? Well junior Meaghan Horgan explained, "Don't ask. It's a pom thing. No one else would understand." And for any future pom prospects, Jessica Parra advised, "Join poms because you love to dance, don't just do it to make others happy. And if you join and become a person you didn't want to become, then maybe you should think twice about staying. This can be a great and rewarding experience, so work hard, be patient, and deal with it." -Brian O'Hara and Brenda Vergara



Seated: Stefanie Pierman, Jacki Wood. Kneeling: Nicole Sudano, Jessica Parra, Meghan Horgan, Brianna Smith, Kelly Boyle. Standing: Staci Swan, Elaine Wheatly, Jenny McGregor, Sam Szczycki, Lara Heinz, Devin Vassar, Courtney Ksepka, Stacey Hansen.



Missy Suizzo-Haines and Staci Swan lead the Poms to the beat of the music.



Brianna Smith (a.k.a. Peter Pan) dances gracefully to avoid Captain Hook's sword.

# PEOPLE



What is the funniest thing you've seen during a passing period?

What is the one thing you look forward to every day?

When you think back on this year, what will you remember?

Dave Fenske riding on Cha-Chi's (Manuel Mendoza) back coming out of commons yelling "Ye-hahl!"

-Dan Flores

Someone barking at this small kid.

-Mike Kyasnicka

A cop picking his nose.

-Greg Clnert

Dave Fennwald playing football with himself and a juice bottle.

-Meaghan Horgan

A sophomore girl throwing a freshman boy in the garbage can.

-Abe Mashall

Seeing the "Enforcer" (the big security guy) in action.

-Josh Xiong

Seeing if Jim Raethz ran anything over the night before.

-Chris Grlin

Going home.

-Cheryl Pruett

The weekends — you know how we do it.

-Anonymous

Creating chaos in class.

-Dan Janek

Being able to see my ex-boyfriend and knowing I am too good for him.

-Melissa Miller

The first football game of the season ... I played like a stud.

-Mike Chapin

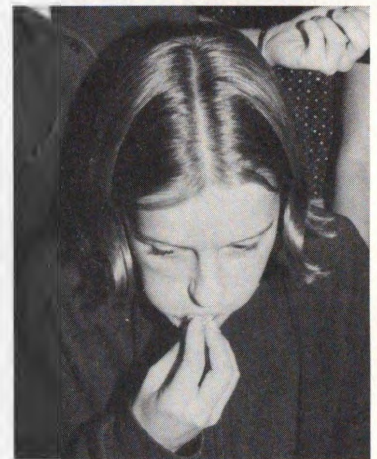
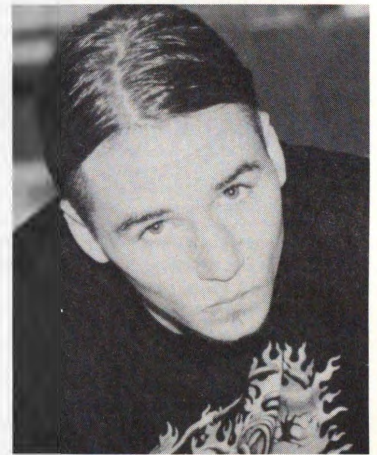
Beating the seniors in the homecoming games.

-Kenny Dedic

All the seniors getting up at four in the morning to brave the weather and t.p. the school.

-Angle Berg





# Putting Education First

The 1997-98 school year brought both successes and its share of challenges to the teachers and staff of West Chicago High School. The student population continued to grow, prompting foreign language teacher Sue Junkroski to note, "I feel that I don't know very many students — when I first started here, I could recognize a majority of the faces; now I can't." Indeed, the halls seemed a bit more crowded and noisy, and more teachers were moving from room to room through the day as more and more classrooms were used 100% of the time. Everyone looked forward to the time when the expansion of the school, made possible by the approval of a \$29 million referendum in the Fall of 1997, would bring more classrooms to the school.

In spite of close quarters, the business of education went on, and many teachers noted highlights in their classrooms. For Cass Streicher, a business teacher, the most satisfying teaching experience this year was, "Placing someone in a preschool position who wants to go into teaching. She actually comes in on her own time and we talk 'shop'." Patti Kozlowski, who participated in a 21 day teacher exchange to Japan in October, said she was particularly pleased

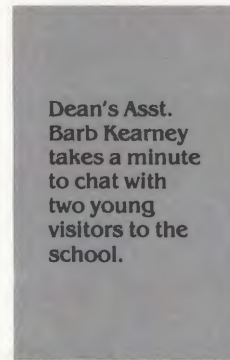
when, "I returned to my Child Development class and was delighted that they had all of their work done." Science teacher Debbie Musgrave noted that she, "had a student who really changed their attitude. Their effort and achievement increased greatly. It was a joy to see." Social studies teacher Mary Ellen Daneels summed up many teachers' thoughts when she said she gets great satisfaction from " ... watching students' ... growth over their four years at the school."

A number of activities beyond their regular classroom and extra-curricular responsibilities occupied teachers' time this year. Many teachers spent time going over preliminary plans for the school's expansion, and the Board of Education and Teachers' Association negotiated a new contract for the next four years. Nonetheless, teachers and staff found plenty to do when schoolwork was done (teachers really do have a life outside of school). Don Zabelin said he spends his free time with his family, and Barb Laimins said, "I like to read a good book." Among those pursuing interests which didn't exist several years ago, Aaron Carper noted, "I like working on my personal web pages."

-Mark Doeseckle



Prog. Asst. Pat Hjelm and Spec. Ed. teacher Sue Turner share a laugh while monitoring the halls between classes.



Dean's Asst. Barb Kearney takes a minute to chat with two young visitors to the school.



Custodians Dan Matejka and Jerry Grimes pause to chat while making their rounds.



Biology teacher Aaron Carper mans the teacher's station computer in the multi-media lab as bilingual teacher Amelia Allmart gives her students instructions.



Business teacher Peggy Peach looks up from giving final instructions to her Cooperative Work Training class.



Soccer announcer Brad Larson demonstrates how he celebrates every goal by the Wildcats.



English teachers Jane Feeney, Tom McCann, and Andrea Cipcich confer at the end of a busy school day.



As everyone knows, librarian Sally Olsen wears a big hat in our school.



Library assistants Rosemary Steuer and Judy Brown discuss how to keep one of the ornery Imagewriters online.



Kristin Allen, Foreign Lang.  
Amelia Allmart, Bilingual Ed.  
Marjorie Appel, Foreign Lang. Dept. Chair  
Otilia Arias, Program Asst.  
Stephen Arnold, Soc. Studies  
Gail Aronoff, Tutoring  
Miguel Arroyo, Dean

Ursula Baker, Foreign Lang.  
Beth Bazukas, Guidance Intern  
Lisa Becker, Business  
Cynthia Bedford, Special Ed.  
Patricia Blair-Hjelm, Program Asst.  
Nancy Blume, Business  
Maura Bridges, Guidance Dept. Chair

Beverly Burke, Science  
Frank Burzynski, Math  
Susan Carney, LRC  
Aaron Carper, Science  
John Carter, Math Dept. Chair  
Rick Cazzato, Math  
Andrea Cipcich, English

Patricia Clifford, Fam./Cons. Sci.  
Timothy Courtney, English  
Joseph Crickard, Business Dept. Chair  
Linda Cunningham, Special Ed.  
Antonio DelReal, Physical Ed.  
Mary Ellen Daneels, Soc. Studies  
Tara Dellutri, Foreign Lang.

Bruce Donash, Physical Ed.  
Jodi Donovan, Science  
Nancy Douglas, Guidance  
Pauline Driscoll, Secretary  
Kathryn Duerr, LRC  
Rosa Duran, Program Asst.  
Maria Escobedo, Program Asst.

# Behind The Scenes ...



Superintendent Griff Powell, who arrived this year after 5 years in Suffern, N.Y., said coming to West Chicago, "has been an eventful, positive experience, especially in light of the success of the referendum and my positive experience with staff, students, and community members."



Principal Alan Jones celebrated his fourteenth year at Community H.S. in 1997-98. When asked how things have changed since he arrived, he noted that fourteen years ago West Chicago was a much more traditional high school with a focus on vocational education. Today, he says, it is much more academically oriented and few schools have the innovation that is going on here.

The Community High School Board of Education dealt with new school funding laws and the construction project during 1997-98.

Front: Secretary Debbie Skidgel, President Gerald Landis, Vice President Richard Nagel; Back: Board Members Karen Kostal, Patricia Davidson, Maria Owens, and Michael Mueller.



The Secretarial and Clerical Staff keep everything moving for the 1800 students and 120 teachers at West Chicago.

Front: Karen Rubini, Deanne Simpson, Linda Brandt, Robin Mantucca; Second Row: Penny Wold, Linda Lin, Jolanta Mikutis, Beth Hunter, Judy Brown, Susie Carney; Back: Rosemary Steuer, Denyse Bateman, Monica Piszczek, Ruth Mosson, Helen Cortez, Lynn Knutson.





David Exner, Art  
 Jane Feeney, English  
 Allan Fickau, Science  
 Suzanne Fox, Foreign Lang.  
 Stephanie Fullhart, English  
 Robert Gammelgaard, Math  
 Deborah Geiger, Guidance



Gail George, Physical Ed./Asst. A.D.  
 Amy Gibson, Physical Ed.  
 Kevin Gimre, Math  
 Andrew Glowaty, Media Coord.  
 Ildemaro Godinho, Dean's Asst.  
 Deana Guarneri, Math  
 James Guter, Band



What do students ask you most often?  
 "Did anything new come in for the celebrity auction?"-Don Zabelin



Mary Hafertepe, English  
 Gregory Hansen, Physical Ed.  
 Kristi Hasty, Physical Ed.



Lucy Haugh, Custodian  
 Robert Hein, Guidance  
 John Highland, Asst. Principal  
 Lenore Hrejsa, Special Ed.  
 Kristen Isacson, Math  
 Karen Jacobucci, Secretary  
 Todd Jarolim, Program Asst.



Dan Johnson, Physical Ed. Dept. Chair  
 Michele Johnston, Special Ed.  
 Paul Junkroski, Indust. Arts Dept. Chair  
 Susan Junkroski, Foreign Lang.  
 Barbara Kearney, Dean's Asst.  
 Steven Kellner, Soc. Studies  
 Beverly Kilgallen, Math



Linda Kime, Asst. Supt., Personnel  
 Stephen Kimery, Dean of Students  
 Kelly Kolasa, English  
 Wayne Kosek, English  
 Michael Koulos, Vocational Coord.  
 Patti Kozlowski, Fam./Cons. Sci.  
 Patricia Kroger, Special Ed.



What's your favorite hot lunch meal?  
 "My favorite is grilled cheese and tomato soup."  
 -Mary Ellen Daneels



Laura Kuehn, English  
 Bradley Larson, English  
 Gregory Leitner, English



Terry Lemberg, Special Ed.  
 Christine Mack, Math  
 Joann Martin, Program Asst.  
 Thomas McCann, English Dept. Chair  
 Mary McCarter, Bilingual Ed.  
 Daniel McCarthy, Business  
 Vicki McCollum, Math



Stacey McGrath, Math  
 Paul McClelland, Physical Ed.  
 Lawrence McNamara, English  
 Marianne Melvin, Homebound Coord.  
 Nicolette Miller, Special Ed. Chair  
 Sandra Milling, Nurse  
 Judith Minor, English

# Stepping Into The Gap

Substitute teachers are a key part of the success of any school. In addition to illness, there are many reasons teachers are sometimes absent, including attendance at professional meetings and conferences, student staffings, field trips, and work on curriculum. Though the daily average is much lower, there are days when as many as twenty substitutes are teaching in our school.

Substitutes face a difficult task as they often enter a classroom knowing very few of the students and having had time to only glance through the regular teacher's plans for the day. Challenge interviewed substitute teacher Mary Hansen about her experiences here at West Chicago over the past 12 years. Her comments are below.



Substitute teachers Steve Lesniak and Mary Hansen, geography teacher Larry Stark, and librarian Sally Olsen can often be found lunching together in the teachers' lounge.

## In The Sub's Own Words:

**What is your favorite subject to sub in?**  
I feel most comfortable in English because that is the subject in which I majored in college, but I also enjoy subbing in the other major subject areas.

**What is the most interesting "con" a student has tried to pull on you?**  
Most cons are pretty predictable, but once an entire class conned me into believing they had lunch when they did not.

**What is the best thing about substitute teaching?**  
The best thing about "subbing" is the variety and the exposure to all of the students.

**What do you do when you're not substitute teaching?**  
I work for the DuPage County Forest Preserve growing things. I like to read. I like to travel, especially on my motorcycle, and I like to listen to blues music.

**What is the most difficult part of substitute teaching?**

"... going into a classroom not knowing what to expect."

-Bonnie Faith

"You always have to think on your feet because many times situations arise that aren't covered in the plans."

-Steve Lesniak

"Waiting for the phone to ring for any assignments."

-Scott Marangi

"I don't enjoy giving tests because keeping all the students quiet is difficult."

-Mark Poulterer

**What do students most often forget?**

"Texts."

-Sue Junkroski

"#2 pencil for test."

-Cass Streicher

"Their 3-ring binder."

-Aaron Carper

"To bring an open mind."

-Terry Zimmerman



English teacher Tim Courtney talks with sophomore Thomas Ventresca about how to proceed on an internet project.



Tutoring Program Assistant Myrna Woodson strikes a pose reminiscent of her days as a fashion model.





Gwendolyn Neuberger, Math  
 Karan Oliver, Science  
 Sarah Olsen, Librarian  
 Julie Overpeck, Science  
 Robert Owens, Physical Ed.  
 Carol Parks, Science  
 Peggy Peach, Business



Carol Pannel, English  
 Luis Perez, Bilingual Ed.  
 David Perrel, Science  
 Carolyn Pinney, Nurse  
 Patricia Proconiar, Soc. Studies  
 Anita Psaute, Program Asst.  
 Anthony Quarto, Police Liaison Ofcr.



Rebecca Rahn, Fam./Cons. Sci.  
 Ward Rau, Guidance  
 James Rumberger, English



David Sayner, Soc. Studies  
 LaVora Singleton, Physical Ed.  
 Lisa Smith, Choir



Two of the campus supervisors from Olsen Security look up from the sign-in log at the school's south entrance.

Vera Sorensen, Math  
 Lawrence Stark, Soc. Studies  
 Lee Seffanus, Psychologist



Michael Stoner, Tech. Asst.  
 George Strecker, Soc. Studies Chair  
 Cass Streicher, Business  
 Terry Strohm, Foreign Lang.  
 Carol Sweder, Asst. Principal  
 Maria Trejo, Program Asst.  
 Jo-Ann Tunt, Science Dept. Chair



Susan Turner, Special Ed.  
 Maria Urzagaste, Foreign Lang.  
 Larry Van Mersbergen, Orchestra  
 Diana Vasquez, Social Worker  
 John Walters, Physical Ed.  
 Lisa Willuweit, Soc. Studies  
 Sandra Wilson, Soc. Studies



Carol Wolf, English  
 Myrna Woodson, Program Asst.  
 Steven Wrobleski, Soc. Studies  
 Donald Zabelin, Business  
 Randall Zeitler, Science  
 Terry Zimmerman, Soc. Studies  
 Helen Zmrhal, Physical Ed.

Cory Abruzzese  
 Erick Aguilar  
 Brian Ahlgard  
 Michael Alderton  
 Jose Alejo  
 Leonel Alfaro, Jr.  
 Alejandro Altamirano



Sonia Alvarado  
 Horacio Alvarez, Jr.  
 Richard Amos  
 Lindsey Andres  
 Matthew Anderson  
 Mike Aponte  
 Julio Arguello



David Arnett  
 Eleazar Arriaga



"Next year, we won't be the scum that feeds on the bacteria that grows on the fungus in the bottom of the ocean floor." -Shannon Sterne

Kevin Arthur  
 Jesse Askin  
 Jaime Auchincloss  
 Robert Austin  
 Ricardo Avalos



"I like the fact that every teacher takes it easy on you for being a freshmen." -Sam Mahr

Timothy Axelrod  
 Michele Ballard  
 Antonio Ballines  
 Susana Ballines  
 Kris Baloy



Brandon Barclay  
 Elizabeth Baumrucker



## reshmen

Ryan Begy  
 Ramon Bejarano



When Freshmen walked through the doors of WCCHS for the first time, all they had with them were their schedules and tons of anticipation. They found their lockers and found themselves surrounded by a pool of upperclassmen. After what seemed like hours of trying to get their lockers open, there was the struggle to find their first hour classes. When they got into their seats, they looked around and many realized they didn't know one person! This went on for a few days, but the halls and faces became more familiar each day. They soon began to mature

(slowly, but surely) and developed new interests like sports and clubs. Once the year got started many freshmen came to know the school was not as big as they once thought it was. They learned their way around and started to make friends with the upperclassmen surrounding their lockers. They went to the dances and tried everything else that came their way. If there was one thing they learned during their freshman year, it was to look forward to the times when they would no longer be "underclassmen."



Mandy Brandt and Andy Sinetos star in WCCHS's production of the play "Our Town."



Nicole Benadetto  
Maribel Benitez  
Brooke Benzio  
Jeffery Betts  
Scott Blanchard  
James Bobik  
Roberto Bolanos



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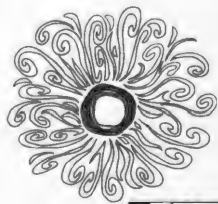
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Elizabeth Bucio  
Christopher Buckles-Haley



Meghan Burlinson  
Jeffrey Butt  
Lydia Cabral  
Erik Calderon



Evelia Calvo  
Amanda Campagnoni  
Brian Campbell  
Julio Cano



Grace Cantu  
Heidi Carballo  
Cynthia Carmona  
Timothy Carstensen



Matt Wdowiarz and Alaine Ellis start to smile as the camera flash goes off.



Contreras reminds to eat healthy



Robert Whitman holds Nick Romanello as Kevin Stott gets ready tolobber him.

Joe Caruso  
 Monique Castelvecchi  
 Lindsay Castiglia  
 Jorge Castro  
 Kari Chase  
 Alberto Chavez  
 Frank Check



Kevin Clairmont  
 Sarah Coiley  
 Jerome Coleman  
 Justin Conrad  
 Javier Contreras  
 Rosie Correa  
 Alexandra Corson



Armando Cruz  
 Eddie Cruz



"I hate it when upperclassmen  
 try to act  
 all cool in  
 front of  
 us."

Oscar Cruz  
 Jennifer Cwiak  
 Amanda Czech  
 Nicholas Czernek  
 Danielle Daru



Sarah Deitz  
 Daniel DeLort



Javier Contreras

James Demer  
 Connie Dewitt  
 Jessica Diaz  
 Brett Dieter  
 Matthew Dieter  
 Katie Dinicolo  
 Amanda Dolan



Matthew Doll  
 Jorge Dominguez  
 Sara Donovan  
 Russell Downs  
 Christina Droho  
 Elissa Dupree  
 Jennie Eagles



Ramon Bejarano break-dances as the Homecoming crowd watches in amazement.



Angela Swick and Nicole Ramirez pose with Officer Quarto for a quick snapshot.



Alaine Ellis  
 Brian Ellerbruch  
 Nancy Espinal  
 James Farjeat  
 Julietta Favela  
 Amy Fenderson  
 Gabriel Fernandez



The funniest thing I saw this year was ....  
 "My friend, Brian Meyers, ran and fell into a trash can here at school."  
 -Gonzo Arancibia

Jeanette Fernandez  
 Maribel Ferrer



Justin Fierman  
 Celines Figueroa  
 Kimberly Fioroni  
 Jeffrey Fleming  
 Daniel Flores, Jr.  
 Steve Flores  
 Shannon Flowers



Michael Fontana  
 Julie Fosco  
 Kelly Frazier  
 Erich Fries  
 Adam Fritz  
 Keegan Garber  
 Alfredo Garcia

The funniest thing I saw this year was ...  
 "I farted at lunch and blamed it on the lunch lady." -Zach Pedersen



Allan Garcia  
 Ana Garcia



Cesar Garcia  
 Cristina Garcia  
 Elizabeth Garcia  
 Gerardo Garcia  
 Marisol Garcia  
 Melissa Garcia  
 Vanessa Garcia



Rebecca Gary  
 Kathleen Gauldin  
 Catherine Gehrett  
 Chris Gehrke  
 Christopher Gfrorer  
 Steven Gilbert  
 David Gilbertsen



Amanda Campagnoni and Amy Arroyo dress up for Halloween.



Sarah Coiley gets ready for school.



Rhineys

Stephanie Ginsburg  
Annabelle Gonzalez  
Ashley Gove  
Lilia Granados



What's your favorite class?  
"I like Biology because of my lab partner." -Tim Carstensen



Jessica Gutierrez  
Joseph Hamlin  
Lacretia Hammond  
Charles Hancock



Sean Hannon  
Eric Hansen  
Angela Hanson  
Jeffrey Heinz  
Kyle Hempel  
Christopher Hendricks



Julie Hendron  
Patrick Henning  
John Henry  
Aaron Hernan  
Daniel Hernandez, Jr.  
Erik Hernandez  
Gregorio Hernandez



Angela Herrera  
Marizza Herrera  
Miguel Herrera  
Thomas Heun  
Justin Hilt  
Daniel Hlotke



Jeffrey Hodge  
Nicole Hood  
Brian Howard  
Marilu Huerta



What's your favorite class?  
"Biology and World Geography are the best because they are fun and hands-on classes." -Chris Gfrorer



Octavio Huerta  
Christina Iannello  
Chris Indelli  
James Jaffe



Far Left: Lindsay Sewell, Emily Sewell, and Shannon Koehring turn away from a locker to strike a pose.

"The funniest thing I remember is when Tammy fell up the stairs!" Shannon Koehring.

Cesar Perez and Daniel Flores show off their gangsta style.





Dennis Janek  
Ross Jeambey  
Jonathon Jelinek  
Lynn Jensen



Matthew Jernstad  
Marcos Jimenez  
Sergio Jimenez  
Bryan Jones  
Justin Kallas  
Malissa Kane



Michael Keeley  
Theresa Kendziora  
Jamie Kennedy  
Brian Kerr  
Tamara Ketelaar  
Dennis Kirschke  
Erika Kissel



Edward Knopp  
Shannon Koehring  
John Kolodick  
Mark Kowal  
Amy Kreml



Brooke Benzio and Becky Gary lean against the lockers in freshman hall.



Nicholas Krueger  
Ruth Kueker  
Jeremy Kufer  
Michelle Landriault



Kyle Lange  
Mark Lasky  
Phillip Legorreta  
Megan Leston



Ashley Link  
Nicholas Logan  
Charles Lombardo  
Eduardo Lozada



Left: Kelly Frazier and Alaine Ellis take a break from health class.

Right: Lindsey Andres chats with two new upperclassman friends.



Jason Lucus  
Christopher Lull  
Joseph Lureau  
Samuel Mackintos  
Samantha Mahr  
Carlos Martinez  
Israel Martinez



Jose Martinez  
Vivianna Martinez  
Chrissy Marvin  
Sammy Mashal  
Michelle Massa  
Shannon Masschelin  
Kevin McCarthy



Regina McEvoy  
Rosa McGee



"In Jr. High, you had to look or act a certain way to fit in. Now,

no one really cares how you look." -

Gina McLaren  
John McPheters  
Laura McQueen  
Eric Mederich  
Christine Melton



Sam Mahr

Jaime Merlo  
Brian Myers



Lindsay Michael  
Alissa Mildebrath  
Amanda Millard  
William Miller III  
Joseph Mitchell  
Jimmy Montenegro  
Jessica Moreles



Oswaldo Moreno  
Nicole Morrissey  
Michael Mroz  
Adam Mrugacz  
Bethany Mummert  
Rosaura Munoz  
Ethan Neal



Clockwise from far left Tonia Peccoraro, Megan Leston, Amanda Campagnoni, Jamie Kennedy, Amy Arroyo, and Tammy Ketelaar all crowd around Dennis Kirchske.



Alaine Ellis, Lindsay Castiglia, Amy Kreml, Brooke Benzio, Becky Gary, Summer Horwitz, Shannon Koehring, and Jenny Brosseau all try to get their faces in the picture.



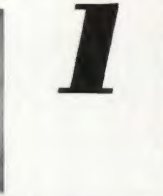
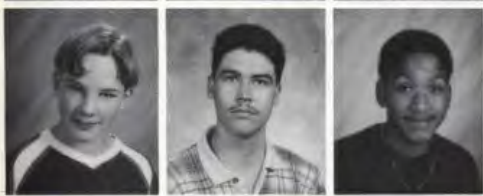


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James Nelson  
Shane Ness  
Lauren Nickelson  
Brittany Nicoski  
Christina Novak



Paul Novak  
Roberto Nunez  
Michael Nutall  
Michael Nyman  
Joanna Obrochta  
John Oen



Jeannine Ogorek  
Brad Olsen  
Brandy Olson  
Joy Opal  
Elizabeth Ortiz  
Tanya Ortiz  
Dzintra Osis



Sean Palmer  
David Pande  
Tony Parra  
Kelly Pastore  
Jagna Patel  
Janita Patel



Sonal Patel  
Mary Patenaude  
Alexandra Patin  
Christopher Patnaude  
Lauren Paulsen  
Brian Pavoni



Tonia Pecoraro  
Zachary Pederson  
Bibiana Perez  
Carlos Perez  
Cindy Perez



Felipe Perez  
Maria Perez  
Rodrigo Perez  
Victor Perez



Left: Caroline Widarski concentrates as she tries to get the clothespin into the jar.



Right: Nicole Morrissey heads the conga line as the rest of the freshmen follow.

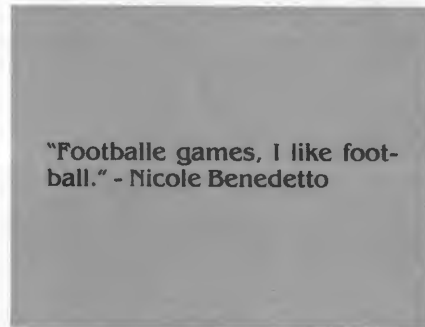
Shannon Koehring and Kevin Stott share their friendship with the camera.



Mike Pesola  
James Peterson  
Phillip Piemonte  
Erick Ponce de Leon  
Matthew Powell  
Nicole Prescott  
Kelly Quarto



Christopher Raethz  
Alma Ramirez  
Nicole Ramirez  
Oscar Ramirez



Araceli Ramos  
Jason Reardon  
Brienne Rehmus  
Ramiro Resendez



Vladimir Reyes  
Nicholas Richardson  
Lawrence Riter  
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Marisela Robles  
Joshua Rogers  
Michael Rogus



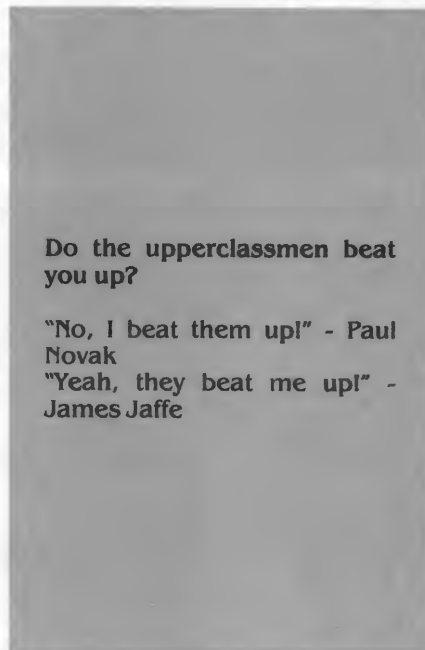
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Adriana Romero  
Cara Rosacker  
Devin Rosen  
Christin Ruiz  
Heather Runions  
Jennine Sadowski



Alba Salazar  
Jesse Salazar  
Christopher Salutric  
Elizabeth Sanchez  
Israel Sanchez  
Steven Sanchez  
Jose Sanroman



Linda Santiago  
Jennifer Saylor  
Joshua Schild  
Jaymie Schmidt



Danny Schneider  
Laura Schneider  
Laura Schulze  
Dustin Seelinger



Robert Selga  
Lindsay Sewell  
Kimberly Silva  
Angela Skaggs





Jennifer Skrzypczynski  
 Jeffrey Smith  
 Megan Smith  
 Todd Smith  
 Nicholas Snell  
 Jenette Soto  
 Vanessa Spencer

Shannon Sterne  
 Sara Stevens  
 Kevin Stott  
 Anthony Stover  
 Michelle Strohm  
 Michael Swan  
 Joshua Swanner

Lilli Szafranski  
 Joseph Taylor  
 Steven Taylor  
 Ana Tirado  
 David Tiscareno

What are you looking forward to doing in your upperclassmen years?

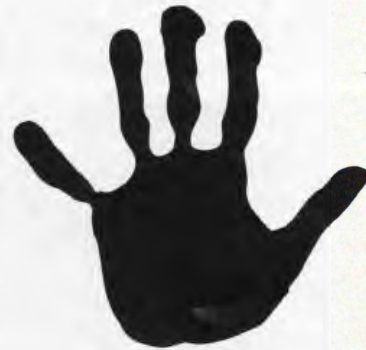
"I got shocked in science, left my hand on, and got shocked 5 more times!" - Sean Hannon

What do you look forward to?

"Beating Freshmen!" - Russ Downs

What's the funniest thing you remember doing in lunch?

"I was drinking a can of Coke and someone said something funny. The next thing I knew, it was coming out of my nose!" - Lynn Jensen



"I'm anti-jock, so of course I'm not one!" - Laura Schnieder.

What's your favorite saying?

"I almost had a psychic boy-friend, but he left me before we met!" - Jenny Skrzypczynski

"Ladies!" - Javier Contreras

"The guys, oh, the guys!" - Jenny Brosseau

"We get to take better classes in future WCCHS years!" - James Parjeat



Shannon Masschelín, Jennine Sadowski, Katie Gehrett, Jillian Wojcik, Cara Rosacker, Brooke Benzio, Lindsey Castiglia, Julie Fosco, Alissa Mildebrath, Amy Kreml, Alaine Ellis, and Summer Horwitz.



Macenna True  
Adam Turner  
Armando Urbina  
Vanessa Valentino  
Julissa Valles  
William Vana  
Casmiro Vela

Mario Velazquez  
Jeffery Vilarreal  
Jesse Vining  
Mario Vivaldo  
Deanna Volk  
Trevor Vranj  
Brian Wakefield

Anders Walker  
Timothy Warren  
Joseph Wasiqi  
Michael Watkins  
Matthew Wdowiarz

"Next year, I'm not going to miss C3!" - Pat Henning

"Groovy, man," Frank Check.

What's one of the classes you're taking next year and looking forward to?

How easy is it to make friends with the upper-classmen?

What's the worst part of being a freshman?

What's your favorite thing to do on Fridays?

"We have to go to school longer. It seems like a never ending day!" - Beth Brinn

"I like to go out with a bunch of my friends!" - Jon Jelinek

"Next year I'm taking chemistry, but not as a curricular activity!" - Danielle Kogut

"Real easy; my bro' is a senior. His friends are so fine!" - Jenny Brosseau

"I'm absolutely, positively, 100% sure that I'm not free!" - Christina Droho

"Hi!" - Russ Downs

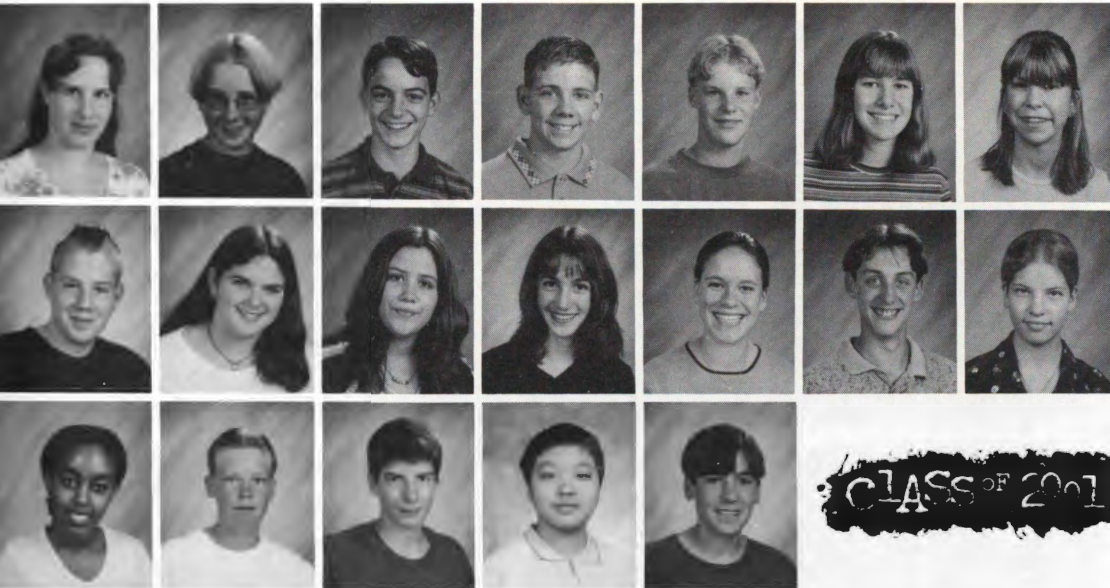


Freshmen get loose during the electric slide!  
Sarah Coiley gets ready for the long jump.



Danielle Daru, Christina Melton, Nick Snell, and Robert Whitman take time out of Homecoming to be photographed.

Matt Wdowiarz gets pumped for track.



Jamie Weisse  
Adam Welch  
Michael Wenz  
Matthew Wheatley  
Robert Whitman  
Catherine Wilken  
Caroline Widerski

Joshua Wilde  
Angela Wilkovich  
Jessica Willes  
Cheryl Winter  
Jillian Wojcik  
David Wood  
Tracy Yednock

Bernnet Yigzaw  
Timothy Yormark  
Kenneth Yourek  
Peng Zhang  
Adam Zimmerman

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Shannon Sterne backstrokes her way out of freshman year.



Kevin Stott takes a nap after a tiring hour of C3 Algebra.

Angela Hanson dances the night away.



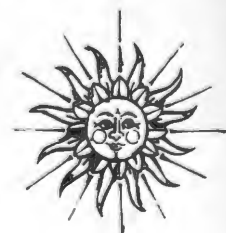
Malissa Kane stops just inside freshman hall.



Elissa Bretz embraces Janet Perez as they create a memory.



"My sophomore year was full of exciting events such as going to Red Lobster with Jocelyn Schineller (dreamy) and J.R. It was all goop!"  
-Ben Stevens





"Sophomore year is a lot better than freshman year. You get more respect, and it's a lot more fun!"  
-Emily Giermann



*class of 2000*

Jenica Aasen  
 Edercy Abante  
 Crystal Adams  
 Evelyn Aguilar  
 Amy Aiello  
 Jorge Alfaro  
 Sergio Altamirano



Rachel Altergott  
 Adriana Antonio



Devin Vassar, Aubrey Hurn, and Stacey Hansen smile wonderfully for the camera.



Ashley Arlington



Chip Ault  
 Elvis Avila  
 Humza Azam  
 Vincent Ballines  
 Lori Balsitis  
 Mark Bardecki  
 Daniel Barzo



Christopher Batty



Julian Gomez, Judy Guillen, and Ida Vega chill out in commons.



Matthew Bauler  
 Amanda Baum



Javier Becerril  
 Richard Belcher  
 Greg Belding  
 Lauren Belding  
 Sandra Beltran  
 Brenda Berendson  
 Jeffrey Beutcher







Valarie Bialek  
Amanda Bina  
Adam Blossfield  
Micheal Boes  
Edigar Bolanos  
Suzanne Bollhoefer  
Kelly Bolton



Matthew Borschke  
David Boyle



Melissa Brady  
Michelle Brady  
Jacob Briggs  
Jennifer Briggs  
Allison Brown



Beau Brown  
Jean Brown  
Adam Buenz  
Ericka Calleros



Maria Camacho  
Vincent Campos  
Asminda Cardoso  
Diane Caruso  
Dana Catenacci



Consuelo Chairez  
Samuel Chairez



Nicklaus Chapman  
Diana Chavez  
Johnathan Chibe  
Abigail Chillemi  
Eric Chorobik  
Lauren Chronowski  
Elizabeth Clark



Kristine Cleveland  
 Katharine Coffman  
 David Conaway  
 Justin Cook  
 Joseph Cordaro  
 Angel Correa  
 Janeth Correa



Silvia Correa  
 Nathan Cosme  
 Gabriel Cruz  
 Araceli Cuatz



Vikram Dadlani  
 Angela Debartolo  
 Angie Diaz  
 Rachel Diaz



Randy Dieter  
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 Ryan Dorn  
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 Tracey Drzal



Gregory Dubose  
 John Dubose

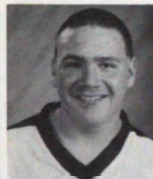


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 Jordan Eash



Elizabeth Eddy  
 Andrea Enger





Tracy Erickson  
Jesus Escalante  
Faustino Espinal  
Yesenia Espinal

Victor Espinoza  
Christopher Eubanks  
Amy Fairbarn  
Benjamin Faulk

Jesus Favela  
Alicia Feistamel  
David Fenske  
Tobbias Fenske

Evan Ferguson  
Javier Ferrer  
Allison Fick  
Dinorah Flores  
Ivory Flores  
Juan Flores  
Neomi Flores

Daniel Fortier  
Laura Fry  
Neil Fuchs  
Krystal Fuller

Jamie Galran  
Alonzo Garcia  
Bertha Garcia  
Erick Garcia

Ganaro Garcia  
Brandon Gentile  
Claudia Gentile  
Bruce Geraghty



Nicole Gerleve  
 Micheal Geronimo  
 Emily Gierman  
 Oriza Gil  
 Amy Godoy  
 Julian Gomez  
 Julio Gomez



Criselda Gonzalez  
 Gloria Gonzalez



Tiffany Gove  
 Sarah Grammar  
 Abigail Grant  
 Nathaniel Greer  
 Jeffrey Griffin



Sherri Grin  
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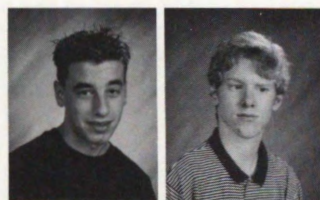


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 Nicholas Haines



Justin Hall  
 Amanda Hallock  
 Keith Halsall  
 Ryan Hammer  
 Adam Hammerick  
 Nicole Handley  
 Jennifer Hannon





Eric Hansen  
Nicole Hanson  
Mark Harker  
Benjamin Harkins



David Haros  
Amy Heath  
Katie Hedlof  
Rick Heltsley  
Edward Hernandez  
Elvia Hernandez



Lester Henandez  
Luis Herrera  
Lars Higdon  
David Highland  
Janine Hines



Shannon Hitchcock  
Cheryl Hitzerth  
Jesse Hlavaty



Brian Hodge  
Garret Hofmann



Robert Holguin  
Katherine Holt



Vanessa Hoskinson  
Lourdes Huerta  
Aubrey Hurn



Jimmy Ibarra  
Christopher Indelli  
Heather Irwin  
Aisha Jafri  
Therese Jensen  
Connie Jester  
Brian Jones



Jonathan Jones  
Jose Jurado



Kevin Kairys  
Kellie Kalish  
Jeton Kashtanjeva  
Taylor Keith  
Timothy Keller



Bryan Kelsey  
Sara Knox  
Bryan Koch  
Mercedes Koch



Sara Kochniarczyk  
Megan Konewko  
Drew Koslow  
Mike Kostal  
Mary Kovacs



Julie Kristie  
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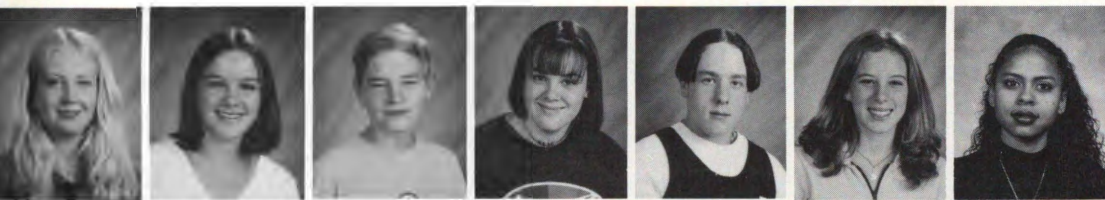
Sitting quietly in their desks, and anxiously waiting to learn, are Kristine Soriano, Mary Kovacs, Jill Timson, and Allison Feistamel.



Erin Lichttruss helps Officer Quarto demonstrate the dangers of drinking and driving.



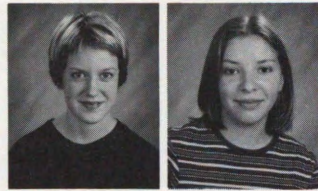
Karen Shockey reminds us all what it was like when it came time for us to register for school.



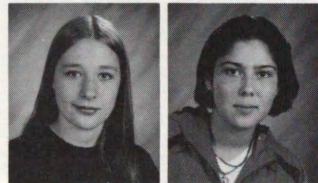
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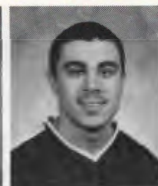
Taking a time out from doing her homework, Michelle Grove smiles for the camera.



Jeremiah Libers  
 Erin Lichtfuss  
 Angela Lille  
 Gabrielle Long



Taylor Long  
 Freddy Lopez  
 Katie Lundgren  
 Annabel Macias



Jason Macknikas  
 Sean Maloney  
 Jonathan Mam  
 Paul Mantz  
 Mario Marrero  
 Robert Martin  
 Margaret Mastick



Glenn McCants  
 Jennifer McGregory  
 Matthew McKenny  
 Nicholas Meiborg  
 Gabriel Mendez



Manuel Mendoza  
 Thomas Merrion  
 Donald Meyer  
 Joshua Meyers  
 Adam Miller



Brian Miller  
 John Millner  
 Angela Miotto  
 Christopher Moellenbrink  
 Ruben Monroy



Sitting out on the sidelines at the Winter Formal are Dave Boyle, Layla Ryan, and Jeff Tillson.



Meredith Moore  
 Graciela Moreno  
 Sean Morris  
 Marian Moscicke  
 Dana Mourning  
 Emily Mueller  
 Robert Mull



Angela Mullaney  
 Pedro Munoz  
 Patrick Murphy  
 Jeffery Murrell  
 Stephanie Nadolny  
 Shannon Nelson  
 Marcel Nieto



Kendra Norton  
 Stuart Nottingham



"I can't wait until senior year. Those seniors have all of the fun!"  
 -Rachel Lawrence

"After being here for two years, I know how to get away with a lot."  
 -Shannon Hitchcock

Daniel O'Hara  
 Angela Oklepek  
 Jessi Oliver  
 Teresa Olvera  
 Regina Oroni  
 Michael Orseno  
 Cherrie Ortiz



Victor Osorio  
 Jaclyn Owens



"If we ever went to class, I guess it would've been o.k."  
 -Jenny Rugaard  
 -Lauren Chronowski

"It was a lot better than last year. Now I know the school better, and I also got to pick on all of the freshes!"  
 -Matt Bauler

Kathleen Owens  
 Christopher Pagnozzi  
 Christie Palombi  
 Kathleen Pappas  
 Joana Pasillas  
 Lauren Pate  
 Leena Patel



Nishil Patel  
 Cristina Pavone  
 Christina Payton  
 Esteban Pena  
 Michael Penafior  
 Alberto Perez  
 Edgar Perez



Amanda Lentz, Helen Walsh, and Carrie Zeffield excitedly examine class ring possibilities.



Chris Inglez, Bob Martin, and Donald Meyer show the school what they are made of.





Leticia Perez  
Frank Peterson  
Sean Peterson  
Ami Pirela  
Page Powell  
Stefanie Prena  
Sheetal Rami



Dana Mourning and Suzanne Bollhoefer look on, both exhausted from a brutal badminton tournament.



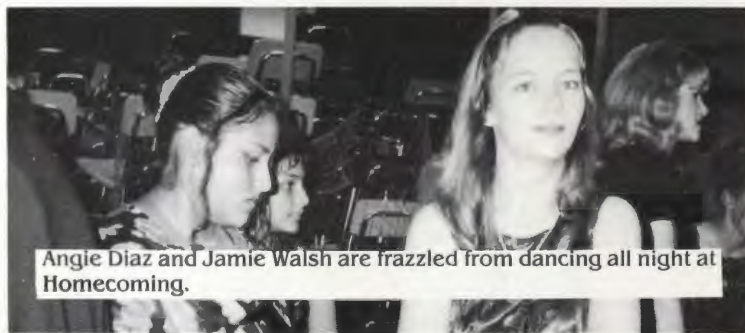
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Christopher Reed



Josh Reiner  
Francisco Resendiz  
Mauricio Resendiz  
David Reser  
Kristy Reser  
Octavio Reyes  
Rubi Reyes



Angie Diaz and Jamie Walsh are frazzled from dancing all night at Homecoming.



Patrick Reynolds



Elizabeth Ribe  
Juan Robles



Manuel Robles  
Adriana Rodriguez  
Michael Rohr  
Robert Rohrback  
Jennifer Rugaard  
Layla Ryan  
Amy Rybacki



Liz Rubio pushes herself to do her best in weight class.



Freddy Lopez, Eric Hansen, Ken ... and Evan Ferguson, Jenny Wiechert, Cha Chi, and Matthew Strike show their love for one another at the Winter Informal.



Judy Gullien can't wait to get the party started at the Homecoming Dance.

Margaret Sable  
Daniel Sandana  
Diego Sanchez  
Kathleen Saul  
Max Savenok  
Maureen Scheitler  
Jocelyn Schineller



Lydia Schroeder  
Kenneth Schuda  
Anne Schullo  
Jaclyn Scott  
Natalie Seidler  
Pedro Serrato  
Emily Sewell



Stephanie Shalek  
Leslie Shambo  
Matthew Shane  
Karen Shockey  
Tobin Siefert  
Natalia Sienkowiec  
Sharon Silva



Andrew Sinetos  
Michelle Skalla  
Jassica Smiley  
Franchesca Smith  
Rebecca Smith  
Neha Soneji  
Candace Soper



Kristin Soriano  
Sabrina Soto  
Samantha Spoden  
Shannon Spohn  
Ben Stevens  
Michael Streams  
Matthrew Strike



Douglas Strock  
Samantha Szeszycki  
Caitlyn Tancl  
John Tancl  
Ana Tellez  
Blanca Tena  
Alejandra Terrazas



Carl Thoemmes  
Christopher Thomas  
Jeffrey Tillson  
Daniel Toboja  
Jessica Tonchik  
David Toney  
Hans Trujillo



Mike Streams and Greg Wheaton look up from last minute homework in unscheduled.



Emily Sewell and Shannon Spohn share a laugh in commons.

Karen Tuegel  
 Adam Valadez  
 Karen Vandernaalt  
 Devin Vassar  
 John Valzquez  
 Thomas Ventresca  
 Alejandro Vergara



Jildardo Vigil  
 Theresa Visser  
 Andrew Vock  
 Daniel Wagner  
 Donna Walker  
 Helen Walsh  
 Jamie Walsh



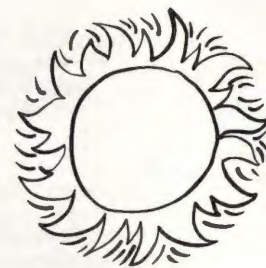
Nicole Walsh  
 Elizabeth Warren  
 Rachel Watson  
 Kristin Weiser  
 Christine Weisse  
 Greg Wheaton  
 John Wheeler



Jessica Whitaker  
 Jennifer Weichert  
 Nicole Widger  
 Nicole Wilhoit  
 Jeffrey Wilk  
 Jared Winquist  
 Laura Winter



Eric Wood  
 Jacqueline Wood  
 Michael Works  
 Linda Xiong  
 Carrie Zeffield



Layla Ryan and Ann Schullo head from lunch to their next class.



Detective Quarto instructs the Driver's Ed class on the dangers of driving under the influence.

"No love or friendship can cross the path of our destiny without leaving an eternal mark." - Sara Knox

**Hold On**  
 Hold on to what you have because you may lose it one day some things never will return no matter the price you pay.

Hold on to the friends you have and treasure the moments you share because you never know how long they are going to be there.

Hold on to every memory even the ones that seem bad because if it weren't for them, you wouldn't appreciate the good times you had.

Accept the way things are but always be willing to amend. Hold on to the life you have because you never know when it will end.

Hold on to what I say it is but only the truth; you should hold on to your honor and never let go of your youth. -Amanda Lentz

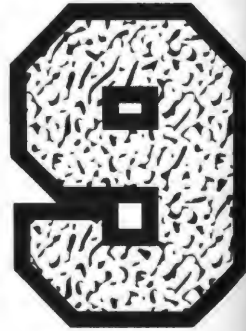
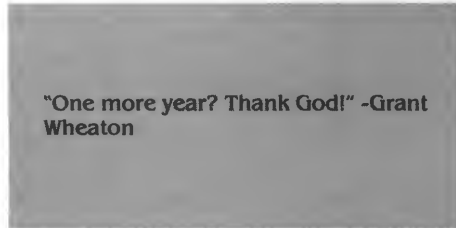
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 Aguado, Aaron  
 Aguirre, Gina



Aiello, Joe  
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 Alfaro, Griselda  
 Allison, Samantha  
 Altman, Renee  
 Anderson, Eric  
 Aramburu, Jason



Arnett, Lisa  
 Arroyo, Jeanette



Ascher, Nicholas  
 Ascher, Tiffany



Augustine, Timothy  
 Ayala, Alma  
 Ayala, Rosemary  
 Bajor, Amy



Bajor, Matthew  
 Baker, Patrick  
 Baker, Rachel  
 Ballines, Erica



Bant, Marc  
 Barajas, Lindsay  
 Barclay, Season  
 Barone, Tony  
 Barton, Adam



How do you make yourself stand out?

*I bring smiles to people's faces.*  
 -Kenney Dedic

*I don't; no one can see me-I'm 5'6"*  
 -John Melone

*I'm Weston*  
 -Chris Weston



Almost seniors themselves, Matt Sosnowski and Joe Swantek walk casually through Senior Hall.



The junior crowd chants their year, showing up the other classes.



Ironman Mike Schneider gives warning to messing with WeGo football.



"I love watching people drive around looking for parking spaces — suckers!" -Justin Vajert



Bayard, Brenda  
Belokin, Jeffrey  
Beutke, Joel  
The Wildcat

Birch, Melissa  
Birchard, Justin  
Bjorklund, Leah  
Black, Leah

Blanck, Sara  
Blozis, Mark  
Bolt, Michael  
Booker, Antoine

Bridgeforth, Robert  
Brinn, John  
Brown, Abigail  
Brown, Kevin

Brozek, Jeffrey  
Buckner, Tamara  
Busic, Aaron  
Butler, Jason



Caligiuri, Laura  
Callahan, Jeffrey  
Camacho, Jorge  
Camargo, Araceli  
Campos, Ana  
Caniano, Gina  
Carbonari, Anthony

Carter, Megan  
Case, Cheryl  
Castiglia, Anthony  
Castro, Jaime  
Chairez, Steven  
Chapin, Michael  
Charbonneau, Kimberly



Megan McDowell, Maggie McPike, and Kerri Cordina



Arm in arm, Beth Nagel and Autumn Planek chill at the freshman mixer.

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"I'll miss everyone and all the fun we had." -Elaine Wheatley

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Chau, Kim  
 Chavez, Oscar  
 Chew, Johnnique  
 Christopherson, Kendel



*"My greatest achievement is not failing." -Alan Walker*



Clairmont, Brandon  
 Closser, Sarah  
 Colson, Jackie  
 Combs, Michael  
 Cordero, Silviana



Year



Cordina, Kerri  
 Correa, Nora  
 Correa, Patty  
 Correa, Victor  
 Cruz, Christopher  
 Cruz, Xochilt



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Cuautle, Isreal  
 Czech, Courtney  
 D'Aversa, Marla  
 Dabbert, Christine  
 Dauber, Kristina



Davidson, Jennifer  
 Dedic, Kenneth  
 Delgado, Francis  
 Deutsch, Rebecca  
 Dieckmann, Joshua  
 Dipietro, Derek



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Doerr, Marc  
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 Doyle, Liam  
 Dubois, Andrew



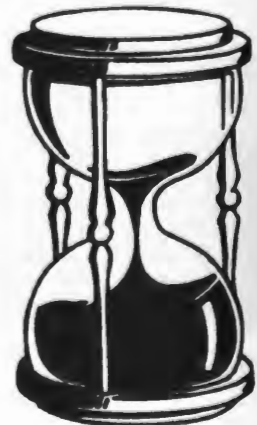
Dubose, David  
 Duffy, Corinne  
 Duffy, Nicholas  
 Duran, Luis



Juniors work through sun up, building a winning float.



Laura Caligiuri takes her first royalty in advertising WeGo water bottles.





Duran, Maria  
Earhart, Lara  
Ebert, Jodi  
Edlund, Amy  
Edwards, Mathew  
Elder, Tracy  
Ellis, Kimberly



English, Dale  
Erickson, Jane  
Escalante, Lia  
Escobedo, Matthew  
Espinal, Gerardo  
Espinal, Izalia  
Espinoza, Flor



Karrie Latoria lays thinking about how she hopes the float turns out o.k.



Autumn Planek and Jesse Parra get down with their bad selves.

Evans, Jennifer

Favela, Alicia

Favela, Martin



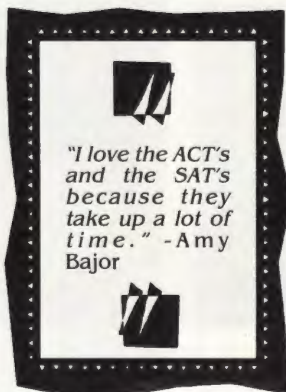
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Fernandez, Ana  
Fernandez, Manuel  
Fierman, Stefanie  
Figueroa, Wanda  
Fitzenreider, Amanda  
Flores, Jessica



Foot, Aaron  
Fortier, Robert  
Franckowiak, Bryan  
Fraser, Jonathan  
Fries, Brooke  
Fuoss, Heidi  
Gamble, Zahn



Break dancing proved popular in this year's talent show.



Jeanette Arroyo and Kristy Dabbert enjoy their science class.

Janine Gangestad  
Adrian Garcia  
Andrea Garcia  
Arianna Garcia  
Carolina Garcia  
Claudia Garcia  
Deisy Garcia



Evelyn Garcia  
Karina Garcia  
Monica Garcia  
Neli Garcia  
Rodolfo Garcia  
Rosalinda Garcia  
Saul Garcia



Mike Gates  
William Geronimo  
Laura Gilbert  
Andrew Gill



Angie Granados  
Christopher Grin  
Jeffrey Goluszka  
Ismael Gonzales



Onilda Gonzalez  
Nicolette Gomez  
Anthony Goodwin  
Matthew Grossmayer



Staci Swan and Meaghan Horgan watch sports awards awaiting their one letters.

Vicki Guevara  
Melissa Hahn  
Brett Halfpenny  
Stacey Hansen  
Noel Hanson  
Timothy Harwood  
Christopher Hedberg



Kirsten Hemmerich  
Heather Hendricks  
Sarah Hensel  
Kerry Herbert  
Jason Hernan  
Elizabeth Hernandez  
Oscar Hernandez



Ellen McLoughlin, Molly Saul, Nicole Gomez, and Krista Varble



Kim Ellis, Sara Closser, Kerri Cordina, and Nena Peduzzi





Hlotke, John  
Hines, Coti  
Hoffman, Jennifer  
Hogan, Michael  
Hook, Amy  
Horgan, Meaghan



Howell, Christopher  
Huerta, Aldo  
Huerta, Maribel  
Huerta, Xochil



Huff, Jodi  
Hyde, Aric  
Inch, Jessica  
Jaeger, Andrew



Johnston, Hilary  
Juarez, Esperanza  
Jurado, Jose  
Kalck, Joseph  
Kanzia, Alissa  
Kennedy, Dustin



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King, Nolan  
Klintworth, Adam  
Kochick, Colleen  
Kohnke, Robert



Lisa Arnett works diligently on the winning window.



Kotewa, Greg  
Kouba, Timothy  
Krawczykowski, Brian  
Krecek, Joshua



Kueker, Jacob  
Kuranishi, Allison  
Kusch, Amy  
Laabs, Bridgette



It's a fun day in the library for Josh Wiedow, Molly Saul, and Brian Raymond.



Lagasca, Matthew



Lanners, Brandon  
Latimer, Jeffery  
Latoria, Karrie



Leli, Joseph  
Lester, Tammy  
Lockett, Michael  
Loek, Kristin  
Lofton, Shawn



Lopez, Elizabeth  
Lott, Alissa  
Lull, Jennifer  
Lureau, Danielle  
Mahr, Allen  
Marino, David  
Maritote, Rosemary



Martin, Thomas  
Martinello, Lauren  
Martinez, Bridget  
Martus, Craig  
Matejka, Ellen  
Mazzuca, Kelli  
McDowell, Megan



McEvoy, Victoria  
McLoughlin, Ellen  
McPike, Margaret  
McQueen, Scott  
Medina, Nicole



Mehrman, David  
Melone, John  
Mendez, Lisa



Mercado, Osbaldo





Merrick, Andrew  
 Mertes, Adam  
 Mestek, Kelly  
 Milauskas, Ann  
 Miller, Melissa  
 Mitchell, Cassandra  
 Morales, Maria

Morrissey, Adam  
 Mrugacz, Jacob  
 Mueller, Jessica  
 Mulligan, Kyle  
 Munoz, Erick  
 Nagel, Beth  
 Norton, John

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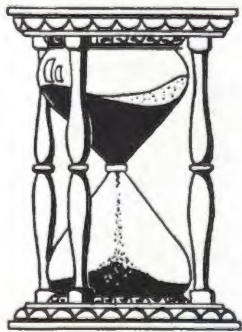


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Nottingham, Amanda  
 Nutall, Melissa  
 Oen, Kathryn  
 Opaczewski, Kristen  
 Ortiz, Raul  
 Paran, Christine  
 Parra, Jessica

Patel, Samir  
 Patenaude, Mark  
 Peduzzi, Nena  
 Pena, Margarita  
 Pena, Cesar  
 Pena, Maria  
 Penafior, Arlete

Perez, Alberto  
 Perez, Rosalina  
 Perez, Salvador  
 Perez, Victor  
 Perham, Alan  
 Petrik, Michael



Pinder, Joshua  
 Planek, Autumn



Tony Carbonari reaches the distance trying to win at All Night Long's bungee game.

Powell, Jeffrey



Proa, Noemi  
 Progar, Benjamin  
 Pruett, Cheryl  
 Puchalski, Jaime  
 Raethz, Michelle  
 Ramirez, Arnold



Ramirez, Jeff  
 Ramirez, Oskar  
 Ratphimpha, Kanya  
 Raymond, Brian  
 Rebolledo, Rosa  
 Reiner, Jake



Resendiz, Ivan

Bart Visser grins evilly as he plots a physics class disaster.



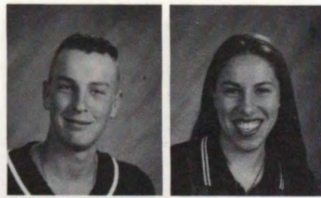
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Robles, Jessica  
 Robles, Salvador  
 Rohr, Joseph  
 Royes, Bravlio  
 Rubio, Juan  
 Ruetsche, Vanessa



Elaine Wheatley and Meaghan Horgan



Rugaard, Kevin  
Ruiz, Alma



Ruiz, Bianca  
Ryan, Erin



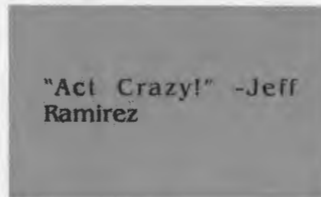
Salgado, Janet  
Sanchez, Victor



Sanchez, Victoria  
Sanroman, Marco  
Saul, Molly  
Sawicki, Michael



Jaime Puchalski and Melissa Hahn show their catch of the day.



"Act Crazy!" -Jeff Ramirez



Schieve, Michael  
Schilling, Eric  
Schmidt, Jeremy  
Schmidt, Olivia



Schneider, Mike  
Schneider, Rebecca



Scullion, Patrick  
Siell, Shannon



Tracy Elder and Dave Mehrman pay diligent attention in class.

Shanks, Jami  
Shelhamer, Kristen

Shelley, Bryan  
Shilling, Steven



Shreeram, Addie  
Skala, Suzanne



Skidgel, Wesley  
Slattery, Joshua



Andrew Merrick checks in with his date to All Night Long.



Sloma, Nicholas  
Slone, Eddie  
Smith, Dustin

Zahn Gamble knows what's up.



Soper, Melissa  
Sosnowski, Matthew  
Sowinski, Emily  
Spalo, Andy  
Spaunhurst, Donita  
Spelman, James



Sperando, Shannon  
Spindler, Leah  
Spoden, Jeremy



Spohn, Daryl  
Stearn, Melisa  
Steinhofer, Ryan



Matt Edwards wakes up to do a little studying.

Amy Kush listens enthusiastically as Cheryl Pruett gives a devilish grin.



Adam Mertz doesn't seem too happy to be taking notes.



Stillin, Mike  
Stogis, Jeffrey

Sullivan, Nicole  
Swan, Staci



Swantek, Joseph  
Talbott, Christopher



Goodie (Jon Fraser) and Beth Nagel sing their best on karyoke.



Taylor, Colette  
Taylor, Daniel

Taylor, Robert  
Tirado, Ulises

Tovias, Daniel  
Trojan, Alisha



Trygar, Jennifer  
Vajgert, Justin



Valdez, Angela  
Valdivia, Noemi



Valles, Noraisela  
Varble, Krista



Meaghan Horgan is very happy.



Andy Spalo and Katie Vogan ...  
who's camera shy?

Jeff Ramirez looks disgusted with the food, while Jeff Belokin seems to enjoy it quite well.



Vargas, Juan  
Vega, Omar

Vestal, Ann  
Vigsnes, Christian

Visser, Bart  
Voakes, Ian



Vogan, Katherine  
Volk, Carl  
Wakefield, Brandon  
The Wildcat  
Walker, Alan  
Walker, Annalisa  
Walsh, Cathal



Walter, Benjamin  
Walter, Patricia  
Warrington, Anna  
Watson, Rebecca



Weir, Alison

Weiss, Jessica

Welch, Katie

Weston, William  
Westrom, Kyle  
Wetzel, Josh  
Wheatley, Elaine



Kerry Herbert and Josh Keller enjoy the scenery at Starved Rock.



Adam Mertz and Chris Grin look pretty suave in their white tuxes.







Melissa Acker and Alberto Perez enjoy some pizza after tiring karyoke singing.



Wheaton, Grant  
White, Alexandria



Wiedow, Joshua  
Wiemold, Christopher



Wilkovich, Johanna  
Williams, Rick



Wilson, Cynthia  
Winter, Bill



Winter, Katherine  
Wireman, Paul



Wolter, Brad  
Works, Matt



Matt Treece, Matt Grossmayer, and Nolan King bowl their hearts out.

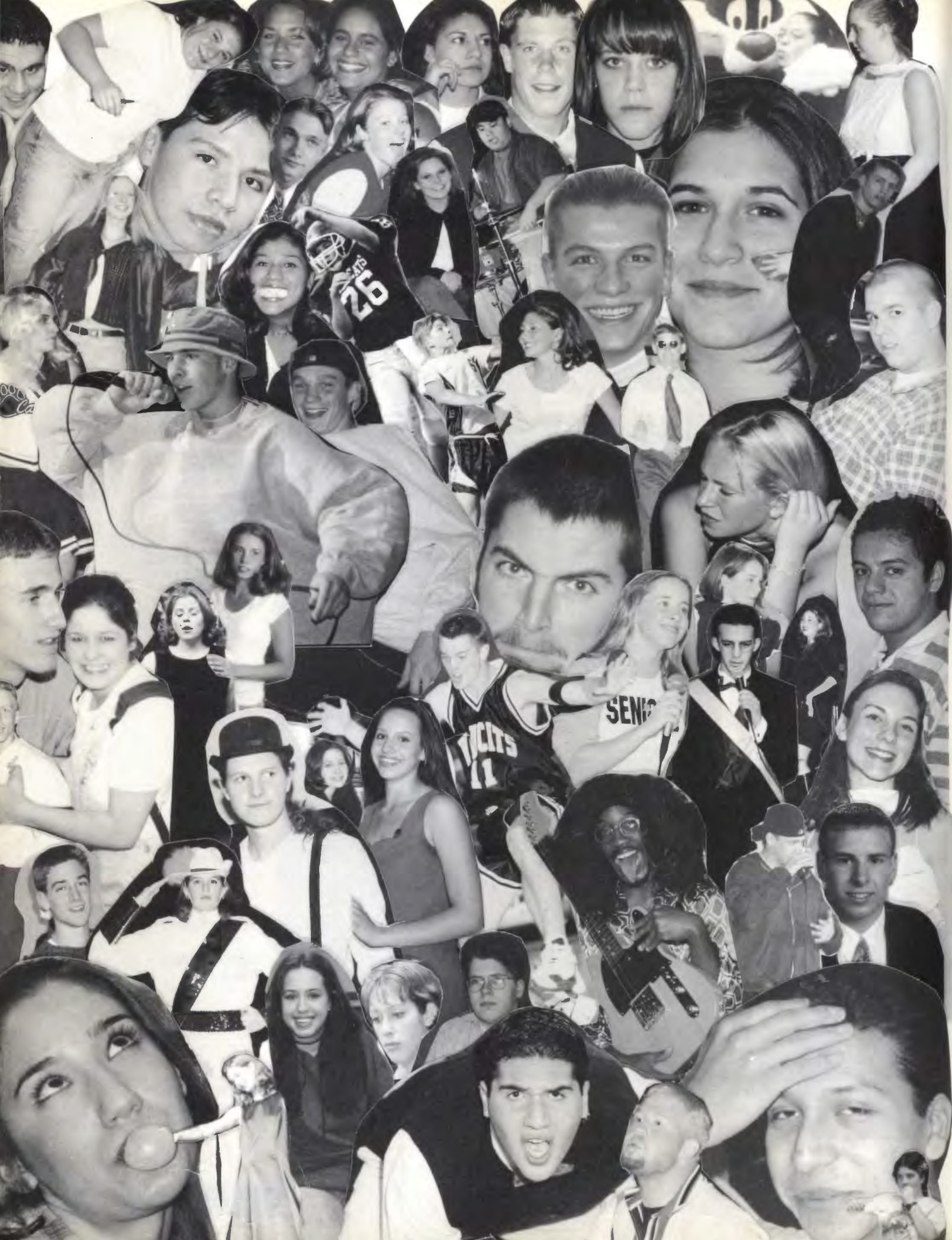


Yankee, Phillip  
Young, Dan



Zanon, Damon  
Zipprich, Catherine



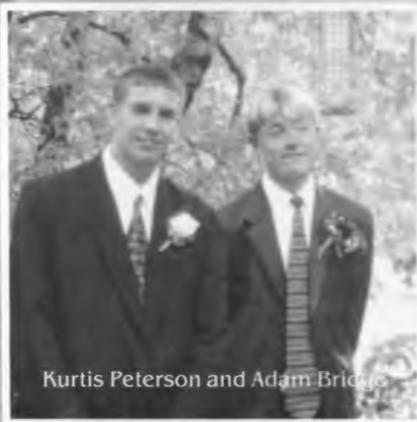




# SENIORS



Amanda Olson and Julie Berg



Kurtis Peterson and Adam Briggs



Mike Brosseau and Danielle Christopher

**N**obody grows old by merely living a number of years, people grow old by deserting their ideals. Years may wrinkle the skin, but to give up enthusiasm wrinkles the soul. Whether seventy or sixteen, there is in every being's heart a

love of wonder, the undaunted challenge of events, the unfailing, child-like appetite for what comes next, and the joy in the game of life. You are as young as your faith, as old as your doubt, as young as your self-confidence, as old as your fear, as

young as your hope, as old as your despair. Youth is not a time of life-it is a state of mind.

Excerpts from "Youth" by Samuel Ullman



Leslie Ault

## THESE ARE THE DAYS

*These are the days you'll remember.*

*Never before and never since, I promise, will the whole world be warm as this. And as you feel it, you'll know it's true that you are blessed and lucky. It's true that you are touched by something that will grow and bloom in you.*

*These are the days you'll remember.*

*When May is rushing over you with desire to be part of the miracles you see in every hour. You'll know it's true that you are blessed and lucky. It's true that you are touched by something that will grow and bloom in you.*

*These are days.*

*These are days you might fill with laughter until you break. These days you might feel a shaft of light make its way across your face. And when you do you'll know how it was meant to be. See the signs and know their meaning. It's true, you'll know how it was meant to be. Hear the signs and know they're speaking to you, to you.*  
-10,000 Maniacs



Mr. McCarthy, Chrissy Berry, Joe Viscogliosi, Jenny Ventrelle, Barb Karnoscak, John Bajor



Chris Sherr, John Williamson, Mitch McCabe, Matt Waship

*class of 1998*

# Seniors



**Monica Acker:** SADD 2, 3, 4; Ski Club 2; Clown Team 2; French Club 1, 2, 3, 4; German Club 4; Thespians 4; Fellowship of Christian Athletes 2, 3; Fall Play Crew 3; Winter Play Cast 3, 4; Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; Swimming captain 4; Academic All-Conference 4; Swimming Athletics Scholar 4; Badminton 1, 2, 3, 4; Wrestling Cheerleader 3, 4; Basketball Cheerleader 2; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4; Exchange Student to France 2, 4; French National Honor Society 2, 3, 4.  
**Mirlam Acosta**  
**Jeremy Adams**  
**Alan Ahlgard**



**Jeremy Alfaro**  
**Marlsa Alfaro:** Art Club 1; Chicas Latinas 1, 2, 3, 4; Choir 1, 2, 3; Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1.  
**Monica Alfaro**  
**Rene Allende:** Soccer 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3.



**Michael Altman**  
**Henryka Arguello:** Math Team 3, 4; FBLA 1; Scholastic Bowl 3; International Club 3, 4; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Academic All-Conference Team 1, 2, 3; French National Honor Society.  
**Joseph Ascher**  
**Hamid Asslan**



**P.J. Augustyn:** Band 1; Football 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 1, 2.  
**Tanya R. Austin:** SADD 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; Forensics 2, 3, 4; Variety Show 3, 4; Thespians 4; Fall Play Cast 4; Fall Play Crew 2; Winter Play Crew 4; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Fox Valley Honors Choir 3; Badminton 1, 2, 3, 4; Academic All-Conference 2, 3, 4; Girls Basketball Team Manager 1, 2; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.  
**Miguel Ayala**  
**John Bajor**



**Shannon Baker:** SADD 1, 2; German Club 1, 2, 3, 4; FBLA 1, 2; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Musical Orchestra 1, 3; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Athletic Trainer 2, 3, 4; Exchange Student to Germany 3.  
**Todd Ballard:** Soccer 1, 3; Football 2; Basketball 1, 2; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Julissa Ballines**  
**Victor Ballines**



**Keith Bardin**  
**Slana Barth**  
**Nicholas R. Barton:** Football 1; Basketball 1; Volleyball 1, 2.

# Seniors

Nicole Begy  
Elyse Belcher  
Phillp M. Beltran  
Kelly Berec



Angela Berg: Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Variety Show 3; Student Council Representatives 3; Class Vice-President 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3; Musical Cast 2, 3; Dance Production 4; Tennis 1; Soccer 1; Football/Basketball Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 4.



Christina Berry  
Kelley Betts: FBLA 1, 2; *Wildcat Chronicle* 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 4.  
Andrea Beutjer: Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Swimming 1; Track 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3; Homecoming Queen 4.

Josh Beyne  
Laura Bleniasz: *Challenge* 4; Peer Listener 2, 3; WeGo Cares 3; Soccer 1, 2, 3; High Honor Roll 1; Honor Roll 2, 3, 4.



Jessica Bina: SADD 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 1; Thespians 3, 4; Winter Play Cast 2; Winter Play Crew 2, 3, 4; Musical Cast 2, 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4; Soccer 1; Basketball 1; Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4; Spanish Honor Society 3, 4.  
Kevin Birtcher

Nathaniel Bisbee: Transfer from Fremd High School in Palatine, IL, 2; Ice Hockey 1.



Rebecca Blenkle  
Chris Bockoven  
Sherldan Bolz

Marvin Boorsma

Kelly Boyle: Cross Country 2; PomPons 3, 4; PomPons Captain 4; Track 1, 2.  
Elizabeth Breilseth: French Club 3, 4; French National Honor Society 3, 4; FBLA 1; Scholastic Bowl 1, 2, 3, 4; *A Separate Piece* 2, 3; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Key Club President 4; Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Musical Orchestra 2, 4; Fox Valley Honors Orchestra 1; Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Academic All-Conference 2, 3, 4; All-Conference 3, 4; Softball 1; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4; Outstanding Service Award.  
Michael Brenner



Jonathon Bretz  
Kevin Brewer  
Adam Bridge



# Seniors



**John Brigowatz**  
**Kimberly Briner**  
**James Brittain**  
**Corlie Brockway**



**Michael Brosseau:** Mr. Wildcat 4;  
 Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 1, 2, 3;  
 Prom Court 3.  
**Tracy Busse:** WeGo Cares 2, 3, 4;  
 President 4; Student Council  
 Representative 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2;  
 Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 National Honor Society 3, 4.  
**Michael Butkovich**  
**Veronica Cabrera**



**Erick Caffarello:** Transfer from St.  
 Francis High School in Wheaton, IL 3;  
 International Club 2, 3; Honor Roll 2.  
**James Callahan:** Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Captain 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Captain 4; MVP 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National  
 Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar  
 4; Spanish National Honor Society 2, 3,  
 4; Prom Court 3.  
**Dave Campos**  
**Jorge Carrillo**



**James Carstensen:** Transfer from St.  
 Francis High School in Wheaton, IL 3;  
 Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Mr.  
 Wildcat Candidate 4; Basketball 1, 2;  
 Homecoming Court 4.  
**Andrew Catalano**  
**Dominick Cavaliere:** Mock Trial 1, 2;  
 Football 1, 2, 3; Volleyball 2; Honor Roll  
 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Veronica Cervantes**



**Marcia O. Chacon:** Variety Show 2, 3;  
 Mock Wedding 3; Student Council  
 Representative 1, 2.  
**Mellssa Chana:** Choir 2; Honor Roll 3, 4.  
**Rajendrasinh M. Chavda:** VICA 3, 4.  
**Johnita Chew**



**Danielle Christopher:** Peer Listeners 2,  
 3, 4; Pep Club 3, 4; Winter Play Crew 3;  
 Honor Roll 1, 3, 4; Prom Court 3;  
 Homecoming Court 4.  
**Gregory A. Cinert:** Office Aid 2, 3, 4;  
 Track 1, 2, 3; Honor Roll 3.  
**Christina Cirelli**

# Seniors

**Frank Coconato**  
**Justin Scott Coletti:** Peer Listener 2;  
 Spanish Club 4; FBLA 4; Football 2;  
 Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Derek Conrad**  
**Misael Contreras**



**Derek Cooley**  
**Felicio Correa**  
**Lisa Cosco:** Challenge 4; Honor Roll 3;  
 Office Assistant 1, 4.  
**William D. Crothers:** German Club 2, 3,  
 4; German National Honor Society 2, 3,  
 4; Math Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Scholastic Bowl  
 4; Fall Play Crew 1, 2, 3, 4; Winter Play  
 Crew 1, 2, 3, 4; Musical Crew 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Honor Roll 1, 2; Exchange Student to  
 Germany 3.



**Salena Dibble**  
**Jack Dierks:** Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 FBLA 3; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National  
 Honor Society 3, 4.  
**Christopher DiNicolo**  
**Richard DiVito:** Mr. Wildcat Candidate 4;  
 Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Most Improved Player  
 4; Wrestling 1, 2, 3; Prom Court 3.



**Katherine Drake**  
**Danielle Drumm:** Dance Production 4;  
 Basketball 1, 2; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Peter Dziedzic**  
**Jarod Eash**



**Elizabeth Edwards:** Peer Listener 4; FBLA 1,  
 2, 3, 4; Frens. 2, 3, 4; Var. Sh. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Thes. 2, 3, 4; Fall Play Cst. 4; Fall Play Cr. 1,  
 2, 3; Wint. Play Cst. 2; Wint. Play Cr. 3; Mus.  
 Ct. 1, 2, 3, 4; Chr. 1, 2, 3, 4; Madrigals 2, 3,  
 4; Sw. Chr. 2, 3, 4; Fox Valley Hon. Chr. 3, 4;  
 Dance Prod. 3; IMEA All Dist. 4; Soc. 1;  
 PomPons 2; Hon. Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; HomeC.  
 Cr. 4.



**Lucas English:** Wrest. 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Jeremiah Erickson:** Peer Listener 2, 3, 4;  
 FBLA 3, 4; Var. Sh. 1, 4; St. Co. Exec. Bd. 4;  
 Omega 2, 3, 4; Fall Play Cr. 1; Musi. Cst. 2;  
 Chr. 3; Hon. Roll 2, 3, 4; Natl. Hon. Soc. 3, 4.  
**Beth Evans:** Fr. Club 1; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 FBLA 1, 2, 3, 4; Var. Sh. 4; Soc. 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Vball. 1, 2; Fball. Chrlead. 3, 4; Bball.  
 Chrlead. 1, 2, 3, 4; Capt. 4; Diving 3; Hon.  
 Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Natl. Hon. Soc. 3, 4; Exch. St.  
 to Fr. 2; Fr. Hon. Soc. 2.

**Troy Everett:** Hon. Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Aaron Farber:** WeGo Cares 3, 4; Fall Play Cr.  
 2, 3, 4; Wint. Play Cr. 3, 4; Musi. Cr. 2, 3, 4;  
 Dance Prod. Cr. 2, 3, 4; Fball. 1; Swim. 2; Hi.  
 Hon. Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Natl. Hon. Soc. 3, 4; Ill.  
 St. Schlr. 4; Span. Natl. Hon. Soc. 2, 3, 4.  
**Mary Fenner:** SADD 3, 4; Band 1; Swim. 1,  
 2, 3, 4; Hon. Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Natl. Hon. Soc. 3,  
 4.





# Seniors



**David Fennewald:** Football 3; Baseball 1,2; Honor Roll 2.  
**Sabrina Fenske**  
**Kim Fernald:** SADD 1,2; Pep Club 1; FBLA 2,3; Softball 1,2; Wrestling Team Manager 1,2,3; High Honor Roll 1,2,4; Honor Roll 3; Illinois State Scholar 4; Exchange Student to Spain 3; Spanish Honor Society 3,4.  
**Martin Filipsson:** Foreign Exchange Student from, Sweden; Basketball 4; All-Conference Honorable Mention 4.



**Kelly Fioroni:** Thespians 3,4; A Separate Piece 1; Fellowship of Christian Athletes 3; Band 1,2,3,4; Jazz Band 4; Fall Play Crew 3; Winter Play Cast 3; Musical Crew 3; Choir 2,3,4; Badminton 1; Honor Roll 1,3,4.  
**Karl Flagg:** SADD 1,2,3,4; Thespians 3,4; Fall Play Crew 3,4; Winter Play Crew 2,3,4; Musical Crew 2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4.



Hard at work, Brian Kenny, designs his clay project in Ceramics.



**Daniel Fosco**  
**Robert Fowler**



**Phillip Fox**  
**Kristen Freimuth**  
**Kevin Fricke:** Band 1,2,3,4.  
**Marcela Gallegos**



**Christina Garcia**  
**Hilaria Garcia:** Peer Listener 4.  
**Johanna Garcia:** Choir 2; Soccer 1,2,3,4.  
**Steven M. Garcia:** SADD 3,4; Forensics 1,2,3,4; Mr. Wildcat Candidate 4; Variety Show 1,2,3,4; Thespians 2,3,4; Orchestra 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Fall Play Cast 1,2,3,4; Winter Play Cast 3; Winter Play Crew 2; Musical Cast 1,2,3,4; Choir 2,3,4; Madrigals 2,3,4; Swing Choir 1,2,3,4; Fox Valley Honors Choir 2,3,4; Men's Choir Ensemble 2,4; Millikin Honors Choir, Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Prom King.



**Patrick Gervais**  
**Sonia Gomez**  
**Esther Gonzales:** SADD 1,2,3; Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Variety Show 4; Band 1,2,3,4; Winter Play Crew 3; Dance Production 4; Soccer 1,2,3,4; Captain 4; Volleyball 1,2; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Prom Court; French Honor Society.

# Seniors

**Nino Gonzalez**

**Jennifer Grobe**

**Kim Grundstedt:** Foreign Exchange Student from, Germany 4; German Club 4; Soccer 4; Volleyball 4.

**Ana Guevara**

**Arturo Guevara**

**Dora Guevara**

**Adrian Guzman:** Peer Listener 4; French Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Math Team 4; FBLA 2, 3, 4; Scholastic Bowl 4; Cross Country 3; Soccer 12, 2, 3, 4; Volleyball 2, 4; Honor Roll 1, 2; High Honor Roll 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Exchange Student to France 2, 4; French National Honor Society 2, 3, 4.

**Frank Hall**

**Jon David Hall:** Mr. Wildcat Cand. 4; Soc. 1, 2, 3, 4; Bball. 1, 2, 3, 4; Capt. 4; All-Conf. 4; All-Area Team 4; 1997 Oswego All-Tourn. Team; Bball. 1, 2, 3, 4; Acad. All-Conf. 3, 4; Hi. Hon. Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Prom Crt. 3; Homecoming Crt. 4.

**Scott Hamlin:** Ski Club 1; Swim. 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Tiffany Hanshaw:** SADD 2, 3, 4; Pres. 4; German. Cl. 2, 3, 4; German Hon. Soc. 2, 3, 4; Mr. Wildcat Com.; Thes. 3, 4; Fall Play Cast 4; Fall Play Cr. 3; Fall Play St. Dir. 4; Wint. Play Cast 2, 3, 4; Musi. Cast 3, 4; Musi. Cr. 2; Chr. 2, 4; Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Hi. Hon. Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Natl. Hon. Soc. 3, 4; Illinois St. Schl. 4; Prob. Com. 4.

**Leslie Harlson:** SADD 1, 2, 3, 4; German Cl. 1, 2, 3, 4; German Natl. Hon. Soc. 2, 3, 4; FBLA 1, 2, 3, 4; Orch. 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Drum Maj. 3, 4; Musi. Orch. 1, 3; Bball. 1, 2, 3, 4; Acad. All-Conf. 2, 3, 4; All-Conf. 3, 4; All-Area Team 4; St. of the Month for Oct. 4.

**Maria Haros**

**Beth Anne Harrington**

**Teresa Harris**

**James Heinrich**

**Lara Heinz:** Clown Team 1, 2; Fr. Club 1, 2, 3, 4; *A Separate Piece* 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Fall Play Cr. 1; Wint. Play Cr. 2; Musi. Cr. 1, 4; Dance Prod. 3, 4; Badm. 1, 2, 3; PomPons 3, 4; Boys Bball. Team Mgr. 1; Wrest. Chrlead. 2; Hon. Roll 1; Fr. Natl. Hon. Soc. 3; Exch. St. to Fr. 4.

**Peter Heinz:** VICA 3, 4; All-Amer. Vocat. St. 4; FBLA 4; Var. Sh. 4; Bball. 1, 2, 3, 4; Hon. Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Jason Hempel:** Math Team 4; Schls. Bowl 4; Soc. 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Hon. Roll 2, 4; Hi. Hon. Roll 1, 3; Natl. Hon. Soc. 3, 4; Illinois St. Schlr. 4.

**Michael Hendron:** Fr. Club 2; Math Team 1, 2, 3, 4; VICA 2, 3, 4; Art Club 1; Exch. St. to Fr. 2.

**Kathryn Hensey**

**Hilda Hernandez:** Badminton 1; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.



# Seniors



**Mayra Herrera**  
**Mike Herzberger**  
**Julea Hodge:** SADD 1, 2, 4; VICA 3, 4;  
 Orchestra 1, 2, 3, 4; Musical Cast 4;  
 Musical Orchestra 1, 2; Dance  
 Production 4.  
**Michael Hofbauer**



**David Hogan:** FBLA 1, 2, 3; Northern  
 Area Vice-President 3; Honor Roll 1, 2,  
 3, 4; National Honor Society 4.  
**Ryan Holmes**  
**Thomas Ingram**  
**Maureen Jakubowski**



**Dan Janek:** German Club 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Math Team 4; Pep Club 4; FBLA 1, 2, 3,  
 4; Chess Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Wore Shorts  
 Everyday 3, 4; Football 2, 3; Honor Roll  
 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**John Jensen**  
**Adam Jernstad:** Football 1; Baseball 1,  
 2, 3; Honor Roll 2.  
**Daniel Jeschke**



**Dayna Jeschke**  
**Samantha Jeschke:** SADD 3; Peer Listener  
 3; FBLA 3; Tennis 1, 2, 3; Badminton 1;  
 Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society  
 3, 4.  
**Jorge Jimenez:** Art Club 3.  
**Angela N. Johnson:** SADD 1, 2, 3, 4; German  
 Club 1, 4; German National Honor Society 2,  
 3, 4; Exchange Student to Germany 3; FBLA  
 4; Mr. Wildcat Committee 3, 4; Class Vice-  
 President 3; Student Council Executive  
 Board Vice-President 4; Winter Play Crew 3,  
 4; Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; Academic All-  
 Conference 2, 3, 4; State Qualifier 4; Track  
 3, 4; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National  
 Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4;  
 Problems Committee Chairperson 4.



**Kirk Johnson**  
**Heather Jones**  
**Melissa Jones**  
**Joe Kaczmarek:** Ski Club 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; *Chicago Tribune*  
 Athlete of the Week 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 Honor Roll 1, 2; High Honor Roll 3, 4.



**Heather Kalrys:** Fall Play Crew 3, 4;  
 Winter Play Crew; Musical 3, 4; Choir 1,  
 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 1, 4.  
**Eric Kalvans**  
**Amanda Kammes:** Transfer from St.  
 Francis High School in Wheaton, IL 3;  
 SADD 2; French Club 1, 2, 4; VICA 4;  
 Volleyball 1, 2, 3; Softball 1, 2; Honor  
 Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Exchange student to  
 France 4.

# Seniors

**Barb Karnosack**  
**Laura Karns**  
**Besnlke Kashtanjeva:** International  
 Club 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Jetesa Kashtanjeva**



**Kelly Kaylor:** Pep Club 2, 3, 4; *Wildcat  
 Chronicle* 4; *Challenge* 4; Volleyball 1,  
 2, 3, 4; All-Conference 2, 3, 4; Captain  
 2, 3, 4; MVP 2, 3, 4; *Chicago Sun-Times*  
 All-Area Team 4; All-State Special  
 Mention 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4;  
 National Honor Society 3, 4; Prom Court  
 3; Homecoming Court 4.



**Jenny Keller**  
**Kelly Michelle Kemp:** Honor Roll 1, 2, 3,  
 4; Merit Scholar 4.  
**Brian Kenny**

**Hannah Kenny:** Exchange Student from  
 Wheaton Academy in Wheaton, IL 2;  
*Wildcat Chronicle* 2, 3, 4; Editor-in-  
 Chief 4; Soccer 1.



**Karl Keyzer:** Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Fall Play  
 Crew 2; Badminton 1, 2; Honor Roll 3, 4;  
 High Honor Roll 1, 2; National Honor  
 Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4;  
 Exchange Student to Spain 3; National  
 Spanish Honor Society 2, 3, 4.

**Brian Kilgore**  
**Kirsten C. King:** Spanish Club 1, 2;  
 FBLA 2; Winter Play Crew 2; Honor Roll  
 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish National Honor  
 Society 3, 4.

**Diana Klosowski:** FBLA 2.  
**Clint Konoff:** Track 1, 2.  
**Adam Kowal**  
**Laura Kramer**



**Patrick Kuna**  
**Cassandra Kutilek**  
**Mike Kvasnicka:** Ski Club 3, 4; Clown  
 Team 2, 3; FBLA 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 2;  
 Volleyball 1, 2; Honor Roll 1, 3.  
**Randall Labak, Jr.:** Soccer 2, 3, 4;  
 Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3,  
 4.



**Lisa Langemack:** FBLA 1, 2; Tennis 2;  
 Honor Roll 1, 2, 4; Athletic Trainer 3.  
**John LaPrall:** Basketball 1; Volleyball 2,  
 3.  
**Evan Larson:** Basketball 1, 2; Volleyball  
 2, 3, 4.



# Seniors



**Jennifer Lasky:** *Wildcat Chronicle* 3,4; Soccer/Wrestling Cheerleader 4.  
**Lindsay Leckner:** Basketball 1,2; Track 1,2,3,4; Exchange Student to Germany 4.  
**Phillip "P.J." Leitherer:** Football 1,2; Baseball 1,2,3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Homecoming King 4.  
**Jessica Leston**



**Andrea Liller:** Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1.  
**Naomi Lillie**



Senior men John Brigowatz, Jon Hall, and Todd Yorkmark pose confidently in front of their lockers on "Halfway Day".



**Emily Limburger**  
**Kelsey Link:** SADD 1,2,3,4; Peer Listener 3,4; Pep Club 2,3,4; FBLA 2,4; Student Council Representative 1; Winter Play Crew 3; Musical Crew 2,3,4; Soccer 1; Football/Basketball Cheerleader 2,3,4; Honor Roll 3,4; High Honor Roll 1,2; National Honor Society 3,4; German National Honor Society 2,3,4.



**Joe Logodzinski**  
**John Logodzinski**  
**Lawrence Lubbs III:** Horticulture Club 4; Wrestling 1,2,3; Track 3,4.  
**Kelly Macauley:** SADD 1,2,3; Clown Team 2,3,4; Spanish Club 2,3,4; Spanish National Honor Society 3,4; Thespians 3,4; Fall Play Cast 2,3,4; Winter Play Cast 3; Winter Play Crew 1,2,4; Musical Crew 1,2,3,4; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4.



**Blair Machaj:** French Club 1,2; Scholastic Bowl 3,4; Chess Team 1,2,3,4; Captain 4; All-State Team 3; Track 1,2,3,4; Exchange Student to France 2.  
**Jacob MacPherson:** Jazz Band 4; Football 1,2,3; Swimming 2,3,4; Honor Roll 2,3.  
**Chantry Mam**  
**Andrew Martin**



**Melissa Martinez**  
**Mitchell D. McCabe:** Volleyball 1,2,3,4; Girls Volleyball Team Manager 3.  
**Caroline Lee McClellan:** SADD 1,2,3,4; Forensics; Thespians 2,3,4; Student Council Representative 2,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Fall Play Crew 1,2,3,4; Winter Play Cast 2; Winter Play Crew 1,3,4; Musical Cast 4; Musical Crew 1,2,3; Chorus/Choir 3,4; Swing Choir 4; Dance Production.

# Seniors

**Anthony McGhee:** SADD 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Football 1, 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3.  
**Dan McGregory:** Transfer from St.  
Francis High School in Wheaton, IL 3;  
Football 1, 3, 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4;  
**Justin McLoughlin**  
**Shivani Mehta**



**Laura Memoll:** Mock Wedding 4;  
Volleyball 1, 2; Honor Roll 1, 2.  
**Giovanni Mendez**  
**Jose Mendez**  
**Juan Mendez**



**Joseph Mennella**  
**Jenal Menola**  
**Lizabeth Millan**  
**Megan Miller**



**Rebekah R. Miller** Forensics 4; Key Club 3,  
4; Fall Play Crew 2, 4; Choir 2, 4; Softball 2;  
Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor  
Society 3.



**Laurle Millner:** SADD 2, 3, 4; Peer Listener  
3, 4; Pep Club 2, 3; FBLA 3, 4; WeGo Cares  
2, 3, 4; Baseball Team Manager 2; Honor  
Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4;  
Exchange Student to France 4.

**Katie Mills:** Transfer from Wheaton  
Academy in Wheaton, IL 3; Honor Roll 4.  
**Katie Mitchell:** SADD 1, 2; Pep club 1, 4;  
FBLA 2, 3; Wrestling Team Manager 1, 2, 3;  
Baseball Team Manager 1, 2, 3, 4; High  
Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar  
4; Exchange Student to Spain 3; Spanish  
National Honor Society 2, 3, 4.

**Janine Morris:** Spanish Club 4; FBLA 1, 2,  
3, 4; Variety Show 3; Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Cross  
Country 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4;  
Academic All-Conference 2, 3, 4; Volleyball  
1, 2; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 2; High  
Honor Roll 1, 3, 4; National Honor Society  
3, 4; Exchange Student to Spain 2, 3, 4;  
Spanish National Honor Society 3, 4.



**Lisa Mueller:** SADD 1, 2, 3, 4; Forensics 3,  
4; Thespians 2, 3, 4; Student Council  
Representative 1, 2, 3, 4; Mr. Wildcat  
Committee Chairperson 4; Student Council  
Executive Board 4; Fellowship of Christian  
Athletes 1, 2, 3; Fall Play Crew 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Winter Play Crew 1; Winter Play Cast 2, 3, 4;  
Musical Crew 1, 2, 3; Choir 2, 3, 4; Track 1;  
Honor Roll 1, 2; Mascot 2.

**Alfredo Muhlberger**  
**Samantha Mull**  
**Jennifer Mullaney**  
**Claudla Munos**



# Seniors



**Danielle Murphy:** Pep Club 3, 4; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; All-Conference 3, 4; Captain 4; Prom Court 3.  
**Elizabeth Murphy:** SADD 1, 2, 3, 4; FBLA 2; Thespians 4; Fall Play Crew 3, 4; Winter Play Crew 2, 3, 4; Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Most Valuable Player 4; Academic All-Conference 2, 3, 4; Badminton 1, 2, 3, 4; Most Improved Player 2; Honor Roll 2, 3, 4; High Honor Roll 1; Exchange Student to Spain 3, 4; Spanish National Honor Society 3, 4;  
**Jason Neal:** Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Omar Nieto**



**Colleen Nimmo**  
**Amie Nottingham**  
**Alexandra Nussbaum:** Pep Club 3, 4; FBLA 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 3, 4; Academic All-Conference 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Prom Court 3.  
**Julie Nygaard:** Peer Listener 2, 3; Clown Team 1; *A Separate Piece* 2; Honor Roll 1, 2.



**Brian O'Hara:** Ski Club 4; *Challenge* 4; Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Ryan Oldham:** Honor Roll 1, 3, 4; High Honor Roll 2.  
**Amanda Olson:** Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Musical Crew 3; Dance Production 4; Football/Basketball Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 1, 2.  
**Kevin Openshaw**



**Nicole Oroni:** *Challenge* 4; Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; *A Separate Piece* 4.  
**Nancy Ortiz**  
**Norma Ortiz**  
**David Osterkamp**



**Thomas Otto**  
**Jacqueline Palluth**  
**Eddie Palombi**  
**Constantina Pappas:** Pep Club 3, 4; FBLA 1, 2; Soccer 2; Basketball 2; Volleyball 1; Softball 1; Football Cheerleader 3, 4; Basketball Cheerleader 3.



**Antonio Pasillas**  
**Steve Pastore:** Football 1; Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4; All-Area Team 3; Academic All-Conference 3; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Eddie Patel**

# Seniors

**Mamta Patel**

**Elizabeth Patterson:** Key Club 2, 3; Orchestra 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Fall Play Crew 2, 3, 4; Winter Play Crew 2, 3, 4; Musical Crew 3; Fox Valley Honors Band 3; Softball 1, 2; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3; Exchange Student to France 2.

**Gianna Pepe:** Choir 1, 2, 3, 4; Fox Valley Honors Choir 3; Jazz Choir 3; Soccer 2; Swimming 1.

**Alejandrina Perez**



**Elizabeth Perez**

**Laura Perez**

**Mark Perez**

**Carol Perno**



**Jenie Perry:** Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Football Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Basketball Cheerleader 4.

**Kurtis Peterson**

**Evan Piemonte:** French Club 3, 4; Choir 2, 3, 4.

**Robert Plet**



**Brian Pillion**

**Amber Lea Planek:** SADD 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4; President 4; VICA 4; Musical Cast 2, 3; Choir 1, 2, 3; Madrigals 3; Volleyball 1; Football Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball Cheerleader 2, 4; Captain 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.

**Mike Pleafka**

**Gustavo Porcayo**



**David Porubcansky**

**Trevor Power**

**Laura Proa**

**Brian Prusko:** French Club 1, 2, 3, 4; President 3; Math Team 3, 4; Scholastic Bowl 2, 3, 4; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Exchange Student to France 2, 4; French National Honor Society 2, 3, 4.



**James Raethz**

**Francisco Ramirez**

**Khamla Ratphimpha**





# Seniors



**Melanie Rehman:** SADD 1; Spanish Club 1;  
VICA 2; Honor Roll 1,2,3,4.  
**Eric Restoff**  
**Erika Rincones**  
**Kenneth Robertson**



**Arturo Robles:** Soccer 1,2,3; Track 2,3,4.  
**Francisco Robles**



**Cassy Kutilek** takes a stand for what she believes in during the Senior Government Simulation.



**Kevin Rodenkirch**  
**Marlbel Rodriguez**



**Ruby Rojas:** Transfer from Telesecundaria in Araro, Michoacan 2.  
**Tricia Runions**

**Margaret Runyan:** SADD 1,2,3,4; German Club 2,3,4; Forensics 3,4; Variety Show 2; Thespians 2,3,4; WeGo Cares 2; Student Council Representative 2,3,4; Student Council Executive Board 4; Winter Play Cast 2,3; Winter Play Crew 4; Musical Cast 1,2,3,4; Choir 1,2,3,4; Madrigals 3,4; Swing Choir 2; Fox Valley Honors Choir 3,4; Volleyball 1,2; Honor Roll 3,4; High Honor Roll 1,2; National Honor Society 3,4; Illinois State Scholar 4; Exchange Student to Germany 3.

**Carolyn L.M. Rybacki:** French Club 1; German Club 2; Winter Play Cast 4; Diving 1,2,3,4.



**Justin Sadauskas:** Math Team 2,4; FBLA 1,2,4; Scholastic Bowl 4; Chess Team 1,2,3,4; All-State 1,2,3,4; Soccer 1,2,4; Basketball 1,2; Baseball 1,2; Golf 3,4; All-Conference 4; High Honor Roll 1,2,3,4; National Honor Society 3,4; Illinois State Scholar 4.

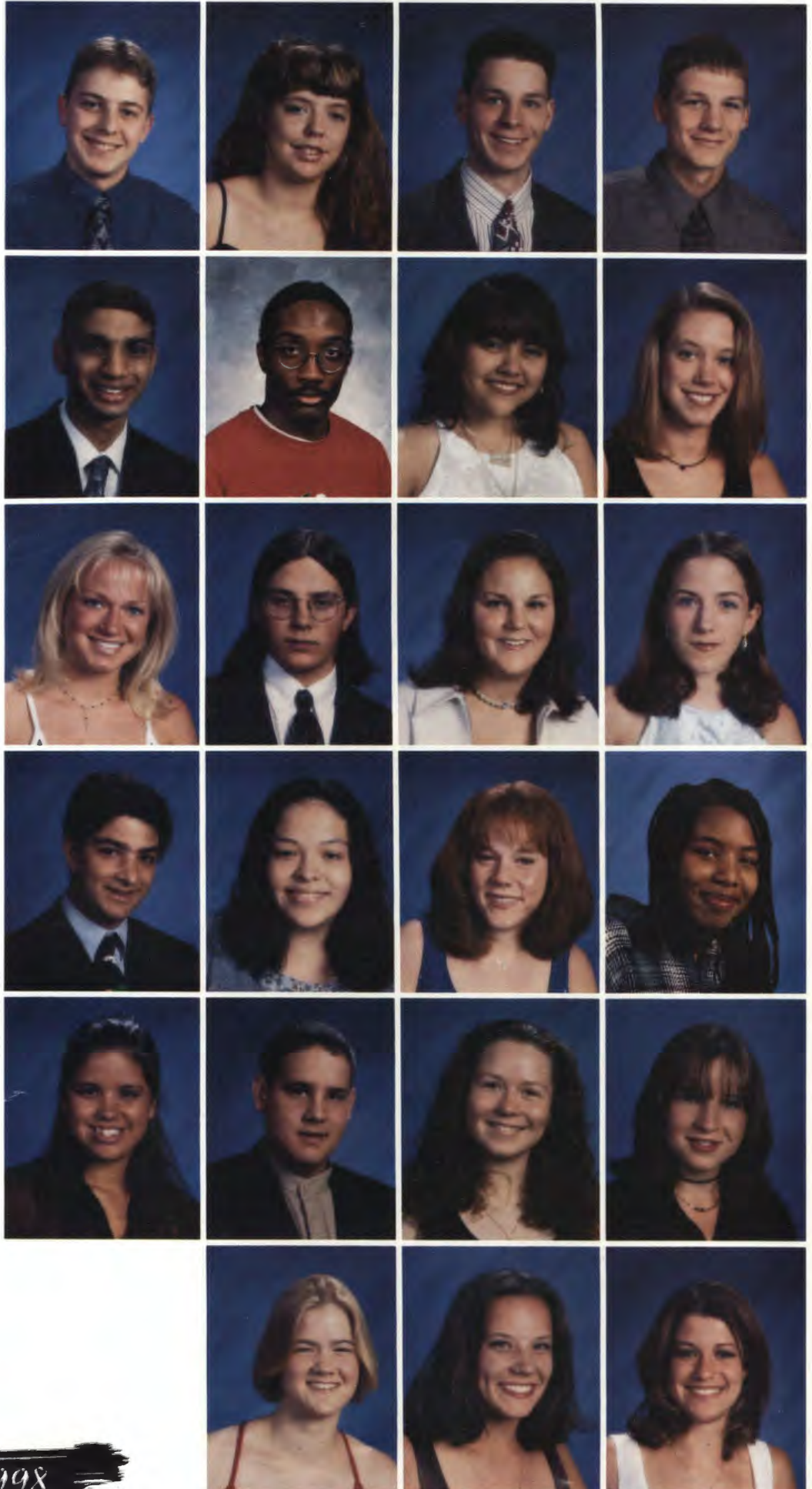
**Viktorija Sadauskas**

**Justin Sadowski**  
**Brenda Santiago:** Spanish Club 2; Orchestra 1,2,3,4; Musical Orchestra 1,3,4; Color Guard 4.



**Scott Schaefer**  
**Lisa Schellenberg**  
**Beth Schlienger**

# Seniors



**Phillip Schullo:** VICA 4; FBLA 1: Variety Show 3; Fall Play Crew 3; Winter Play Crew 3; Musical Crew 3; Baseball 1, 2; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.  
**Denise Scott**  
**Derek Scott**  
**Jason Sewell:** Baseball 1, 2; Golf 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.

**Arpan M. Shah:** SADD 1; Peer Listener 3; Spanish Club 1; Math Team 4; FBLA 1, 2, 3; Student Council Representative 2; Class Secretary 1; High Honor Roll 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4.  
**Chris Schern**  
**Eva Marla Silva:** Soccer/Wrestling Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish National Honor Society 2, 3.  
**Elizabeth Siwy:** *Wildcat Chronicle* 3, 4; *A Separate Piece* 3; Dance Production 4; Volleyball 1, 2; Boys Volleyball Team Manager 1, 2, 3.

**Brianna Smith:** Variety Show 4; Choir 3; Dance Production 3, 4; Volleyball 1; PomPons 2, 3, 4; Captain 3, 4.  
**John Smith**  
**Stacy Smith**  
**Heather Snell:** Dance Production 4; PomPons 3, 4.

**Maulin Soneji:** SADD 3, 4; Math Team 3, 4; Scholastic Bowl 4; Thespians 4; Fall Play Crew 3, 4; Winter Play Crew 3, 4; Musical Crew 3, 4; Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Academic All-Conference 3, 4; Girls Tennis Team Manager 3, 4; Honor Roll 3; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4; Exchange Student to Spain 3.

**Alejandra Sotelo**  
**Lisa Sowinski:** SADD 1; Spanish Club 4; Pep Club 3; Choir 1; Basketball Team Manager 1, 2, 3, 4; High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4; Exchange Student to Costa Rica 3.  
**Wonda Spearman**

**Yvonne Spencer**  
**Justin Spurny**  
**Malgorzata Steciuk:** Soccer/Wrestling Cheerleader 4; Football/Basketball Cheerleader 2; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Key Club 1; Spanish National Honor Society 2, 3, 4.  
**Melaina Storey**

**Nicole Stuart**  
**Nicole Sudano:** Choir 1, 2; PomPons 4; Soccer/Wrestling Cheerleader 2; Honor Roll 3, 4.  
**Melissa Suizzo-Haines:** Pep Club 2; Variety Show 3; Band 1; Dance Production 4; Softball 1; PomPons 4; Football Cheerleader 2, 3; Basketball 3.

# Seniors



**John Svast:** Football 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Amber Tannenbaum**  
**Elena Taylor**  
**Allison Taylor:** *Wildcat Chronicle* 3, 4;  
High Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National  
Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar  
4; Spanish National Honor Society 2, 3,  
4.



**James Taylor:** Horticulture Club 3, 4;  
President 4; Honor Roll 1, 3; Exchange  
Student to France 2, 4.  
**Amanda Terrunde**  
**Denisse Terrazas**  
**Robert Therriault**



**Trisha Tinnes:** FBLA 3, 4; Class  
President 1, 2, 3; Class Secretary 3;  
Student Council Executive Board 4;  
President 4; Orchestra 4; Band 1, 2, 3,  
4; Winter Play Crew 3; Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Captain 4; Basketball 1, 2; Honor Roll 1,  
2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4;  
Prom Queen 3; Homecoming Court 4;  
Student of the Month of September.  
**Ullses Tirado**  
**Karen Travis:** Student Trainer 4; Honor  
Roll 1, 2, 3.  
**Matt Treece:** VICA 2, 3, 4.



**Michael Trojan**  
**Peter Urso**  
**Jason Vana:** Math Team 4; FBLA 2;  
Scholastic Bowl 3, 4; *A Separate Piece* 4;  
Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Illinois State  
Scholar 4.  
**Ernesto Vargas**



**Mirlam Vega**  
**Omar Vega**  
**Kristina Veljkovic**  
**Jenny Ventrelle:** Pep Club 1, 2, 3, 4;  
FBLA 1; Volleyball 1; Football  
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Basketball  
Cheerleader 1, 2, 3, 4; Captain 4; Honor  
Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3,  
4.



**Brenda A. Vergara:** French Club 2, 3, 4;  
President 4; Forensics 3; Thespians 3,  
4; *Challenge* 4; Fall Play Cast 1; Fall Play  
Crew 2, 3; Winter Play Cast 2, 3, 4;  
Musical Crew 2, 3, 4; Tennis Honor Roll  
1, 2, 4; Exchange Student to France 4.  
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1; Pep Club 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2; Winter  
Play Crew 2; Musical Cast 1; Musical  
Crew 2; Choir 3, 4; Swing Choir 4;  
Football/Basketball Cheerleader 2, 3, 4;  
Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4; Mock Wedding 4.  
**Joe Viscogliosi**

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**Tom Walton**  
**Jacob Warkentin**



**Matthew Wasigl**  
**Allssa Watson**  
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**Candice Widerski**



**Justin Wilcox**  
**Justin Wilde**  
**John Williamson:** Basketball 1; Baseball 2; Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Ana Wing**



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**Darclie Wostratzky:** FBLA 2, 3, 4; Student Council Representative 1; Class Treasurer 2, 3, 4; Student Council Executive Board 4; Orchestra 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Winter Play Crew 2, 3, 4; Fox Valley Honors Band 3; Volleyball 1, 2, 3, 4; Academic All-Conference 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Roll 2, 3, 4; High Honor Roll 1; National Honor Society 3, 4; Illinois State Scholar 4; Exchange Student to Costa Rica 2; Spanish National Honor Society 2, 3, 4.  
**Leigh Wray**  
**Josh Xiong:** FBLA 3, 4; Mr. Wildcat Candidate 4; Variety Show 4; Class President 4; Football 1; Honor Roll 1, 2; Homecoming Court 4.



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**Todd Yormark**  
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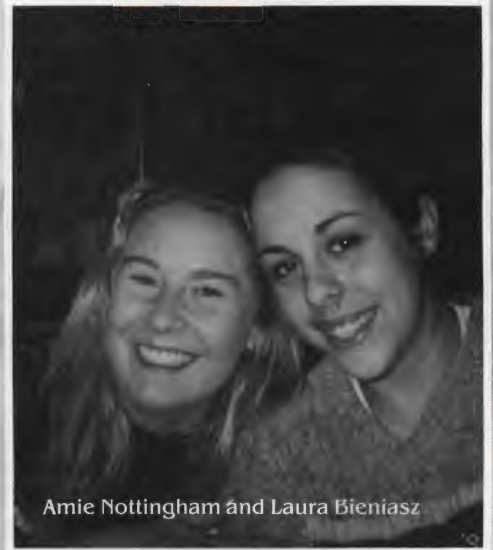


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**Anthony Ziman:** Honor Roll 1, 2, 3, 4.  
**Jodi Zipprich:** SADD 1, 2; Spanish Club 1; VICA 4; FBLA 3, 4; Orchestra 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Fall Play Crew 2; Winter Play Crew 2; Basketball 1; Volleyball 1; Softball 1, 2; Boys Basketball Team Manager 2, 3; Track 4; Honor Roll 2, 3; Exchange Student to Spain 3.





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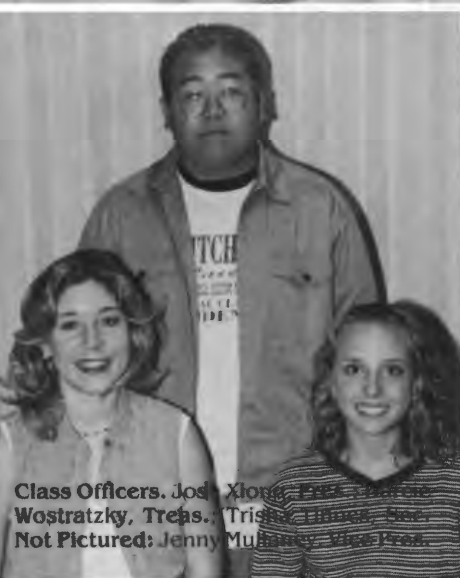
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# Once upon a time, summer days ended and the first hour bell rang for all of us.

John Williamson and Matt Wasiqi take a few minutes before school to eat breakfast and do homework.



Elissa Dupree smiles for a quick shot after school.

Mike Herzberger and Amber Planek in a great Kodak moment.



From that day on, most of us followed a repeated schedule that became very familiar by the end of the year. Everyone remembers the mornings of barely rolling out of bed, taking that cold shower to wake up the senses, running into the school, and sitting in a first hour desk covered with messages from past occupants and loves. For the rest of the year this was how many students started their day.

As the day rolled on, students anticipated the next bell, when they could use the five minute passing period to see their friends. In those brief times, the halls filled with many smiles and hellos as everyone hurried to his or her next class.

I'm glad next year is my senior year because it is a whole new year of parties. -Jenny Basso



Emily Mueller, Annabel Macias, and Erika Calleros smile with personality shining through.



Nick Snell, Shannon Flowers, Nicole Benedetto, Dave Pande, Robert Whitman, and Chrissy Ienello group together for a quick smile.



After school many of our lives were different. Some of us were off to work in places like the mall, McDonald's, grocery stores, or nearby factories. Others were into sports, practicing to show off their skills and abilities in the upcoming games or meets. Still more stayed after for clubs or academics like the math team, forensics, etc. As the year progressed we all came together and let our hair down at dances, showed our spirit at games, and showed our support at plays and concerts. An important priority was making the best of the year and making memories that would last forever.

At the end of first semester everyone dreaded their final exams, but looked forward to the fresh start that would follow. Toward the end of the year, seniors counted down their final days here at We Go, while the rest of us looked forward to a hot summer and another year ahead of us. Whether one is a freshman or senior.



Brooke Fries and Angela Valdez enjoy a football game in their new "shades".



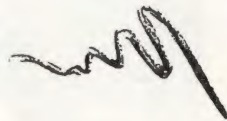
Kim Charbonneau shows off her great rollerskating skills while Sarah Closser gracefully skates on behind her.



Darcie Wostratzky smiles sweetly as Chrissy Dabbert, Danielle Murphy, Kelly Kaylor, Stefanie Prena, Krista Varble, Melissa Acker, and Jeanette Arroyo show a rarely seen side of themselves.



Joe Kaczmarek laughs while listening to Brian O'Hara sing "We are the Champions" at the soccer pep assembly.



Sam Allison makes new friends in her child development class.



everyone at West Chicago eventually enters the future and *comes out of the blue*.

# Out Of Sight, Out Of Mind

When I first joined yearbook, I never thought I would be editor my Junior year. Being an editor was a lot of responsibility, yet fun. We had to make sure that all of the pages followed the right format for each section and pretty much "edit" the yearbook.

I want to give a special thanks to this year's creative and heart-filled staff. They had lots of cool and out of mind ideas for our "Out of the Blue" yearbook. Lastly, I would like to thank our '98 yearbook advisor, Mr. Larson, for his organized and creative input on this yearbook. He helped us stay on track and make this yearbook well-rounded. I hope you enjoy reading this yearbook as much as we have enjoyed putting it together. Thank you again for everyone's cooperation in this yearbook.

-Brooke Fries

After look-  
ing over  
the '97 year-  
book, Lisa Cosco  
comes up with  
many brilliant  
ideas for the new  
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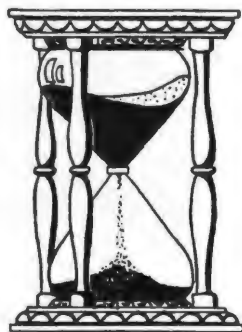
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“Forget the rules-  
be creative.” —  
Brad Larson



Searching through the thousands of class pictures, Brian O'hara comes across himself.



Jamie Puchalski takes count of who's missing for the day ahead.

Jenny Evans discusses the book with another staff member as Mark Doeseckle dreams of better places.



It's the moment you wait for every year-the yearbook, and once again you're left wondering "how do I look? where am I? and what kind of yearbook is this gonna be?" Well, we hope you'll have as much fun going through it as we did making it.

We have put a lot of hard work and effort into the book and there are some new and interesting things, and more variety, thanks to the cooperation of the student body. I give a special shout out to Mr. Larson for all his time and help as staff advisor, and to the whole crew this past year who made the yearbook what it is.

The only words of wisdom I can offer are: party to the fullest because before you know it, it will all be over. So live it up and let's make '99 the year!

-Mark J. Doeseckle















*When we got to the end,*

*We were Out of the Blue ...*



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