

# Tartans



Spirit 1997



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# *Portsmouth East High School*

*“Someday We’ll Look Back And...”*

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Enrollment: 281

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Dean of Girls: Mrs. Leah Baughman

# 1997 Spirit

# Someday We'll Look Back And....

"Someday We'll Look Back And..." is the theme of the 1997 Spirit yearbook. This may be a thought that many seniors are going to realize next year. Most have been together since kindergarten and have received many honors throughout their school years.

As our last days as the class of 1997 come to an end, we realize that these are truly the best years of our lives.

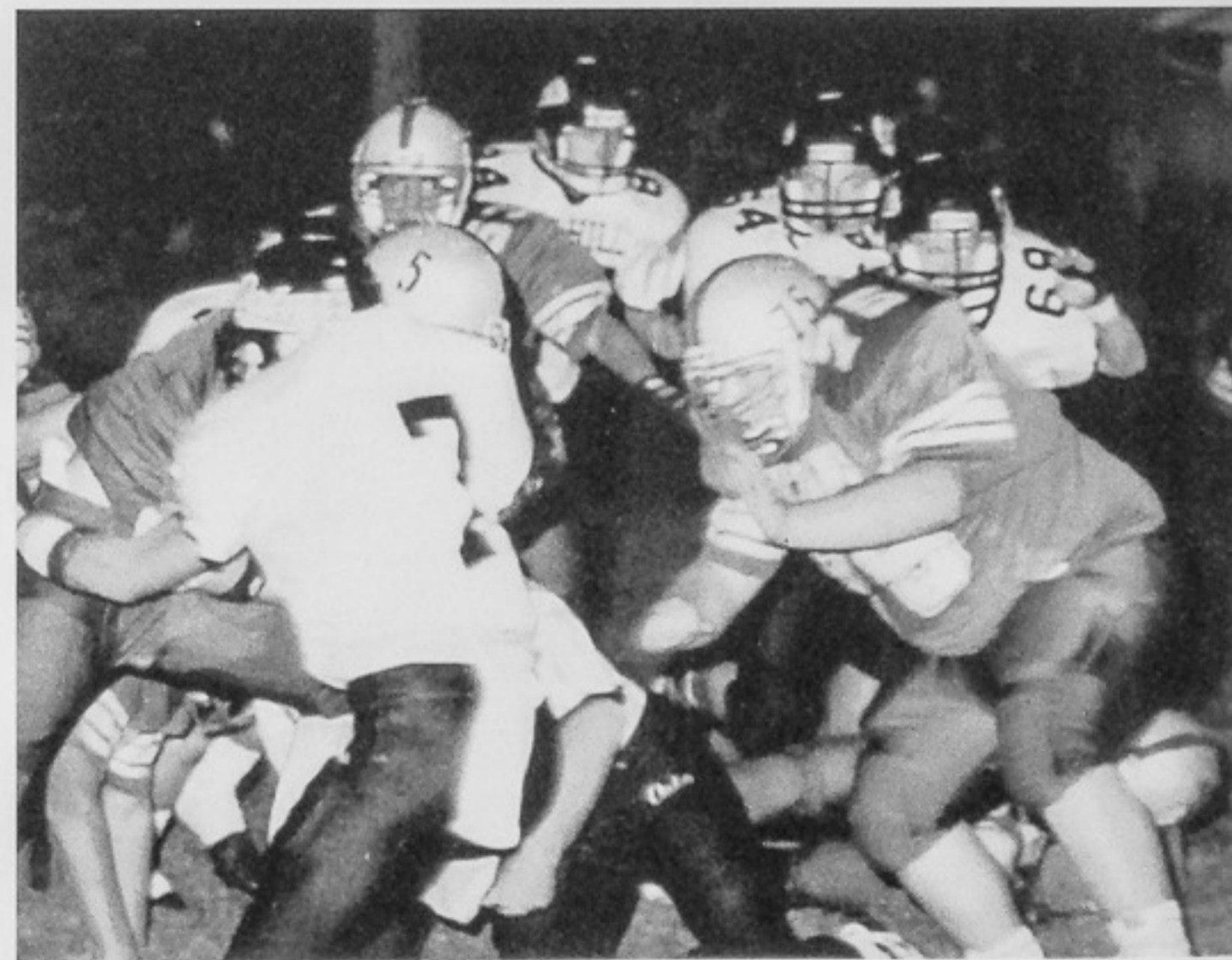
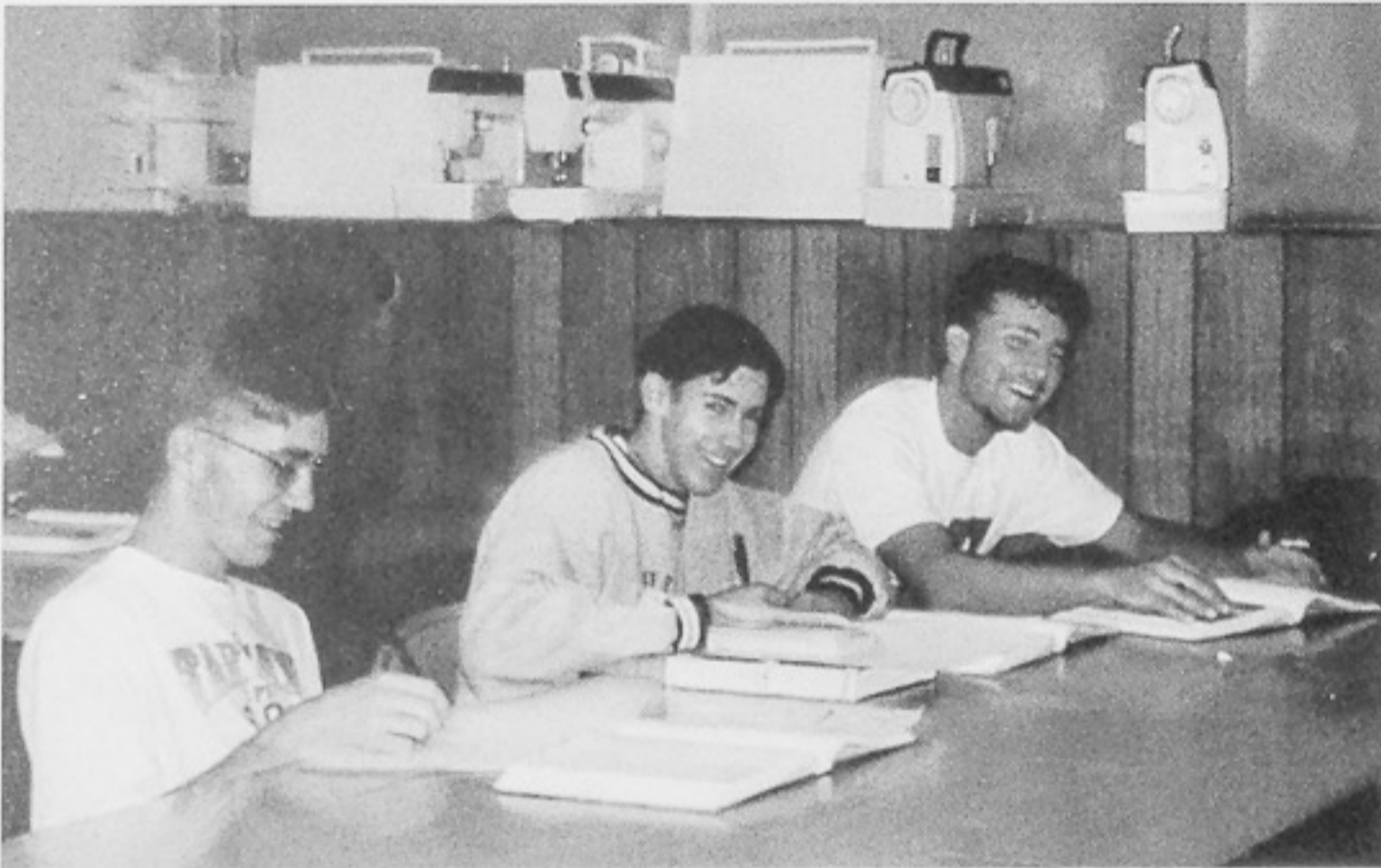
As we grow older we find that our lives have become more complete throughout high school. We have made many decisions that will affect us for the rest of our lives. But no matter what happens or where we go, "Someday We'll Look Back And..." remember all the good memories that we have made here at East High School.

Hey Macarena! Is this board work or what?! The 12th grade literature class takes a breather from their daily routines for a quick dance lesson.



Work, Work, Work!! Juniors Jarod Kennard, Jeremy Ketter, and Todd Gilliland sport a smile while learning some important material in Nutrition and Wellness class.

Stand up and cheer! The 1996-1997 band members show their Tartan Spirit with some music. The band worked hard and achieved many honors this season.



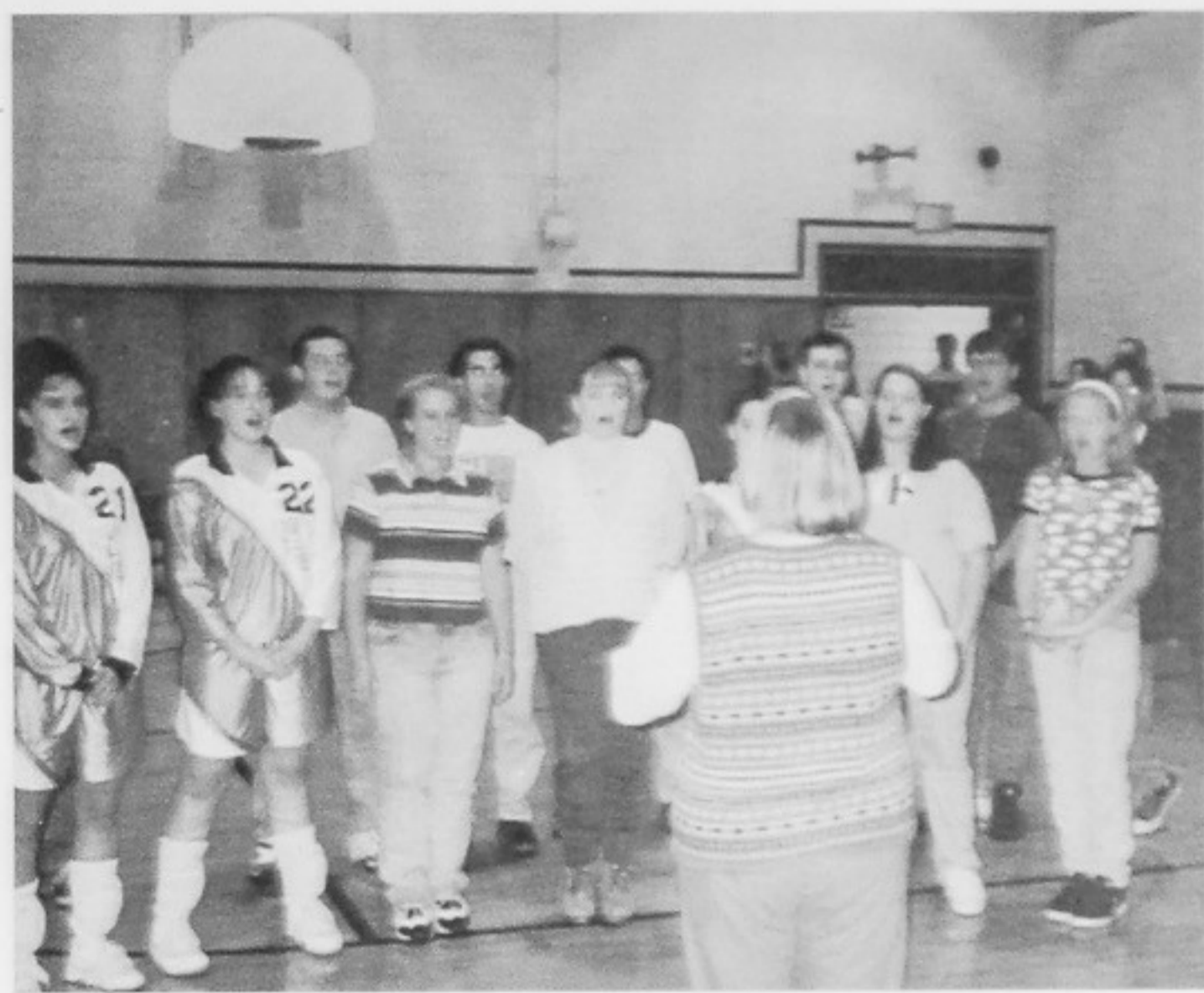
Wow, neat toy! Josh Rawlins gathers Christmas gifts from the area. Josh, along with the other JOGS members did several community service projects throughout the year.

Where's the ball! The Tartan offense attempts to gain some yardage for a first down. The Tartans had several close games throughout their season.

Senior Drum Major Aimee Forshey salutes the crowd after another award winning show by the East High marching band. This year's band excelled in their performance at the nationals.



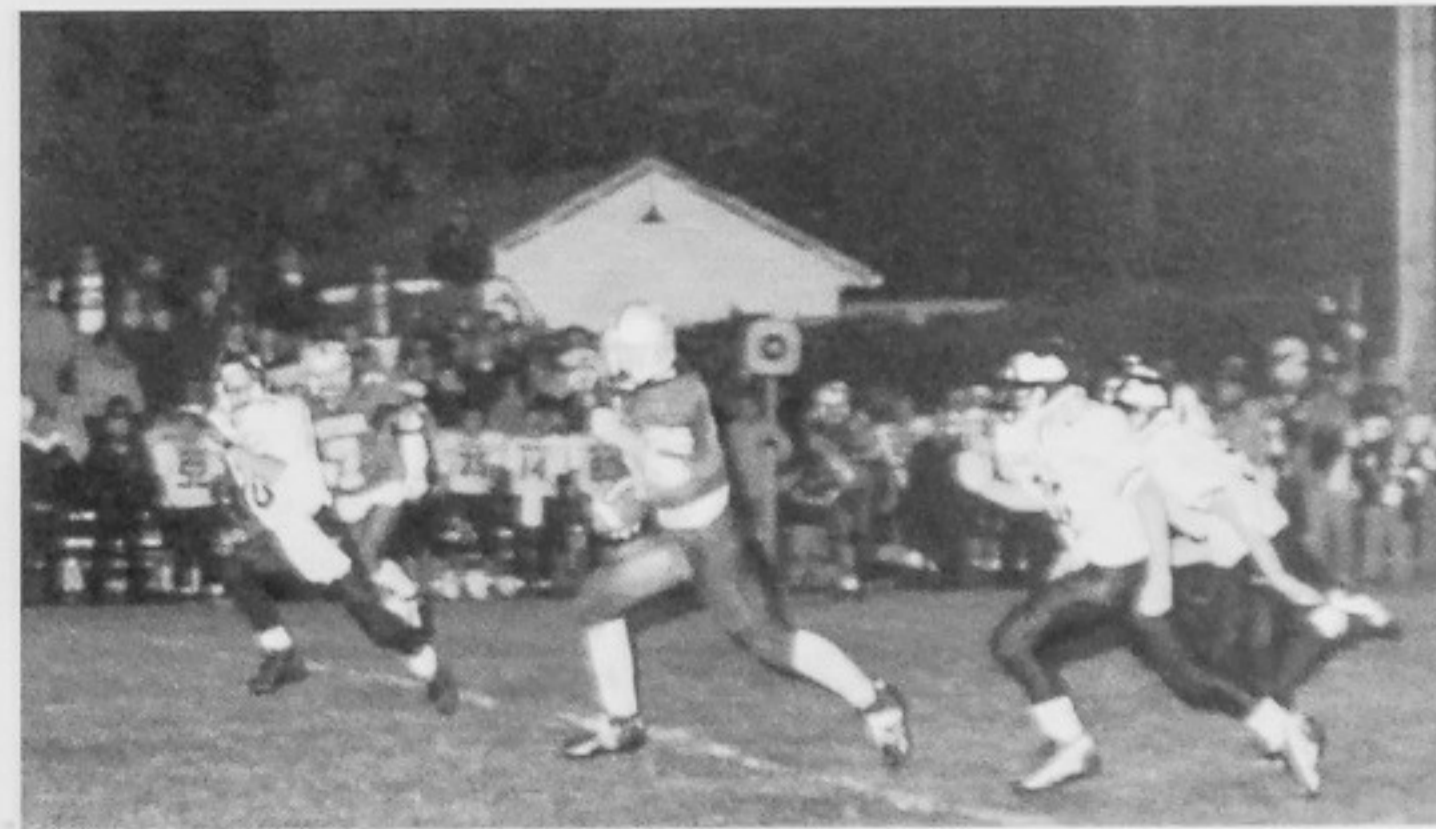
Third year director Miss Rhonda Johnson directs the East High Madrigals in the "Star-Spangled Banner" at a volleyball game. Miss Johnson's hard work and dedication led the Madrigals to many awards throughout the year.



Is Math or football on their mind? These Tartans exhibit their Math abilities they have gained over the years...  
 $2+5=7$ ,  $5+7=12$ ,  $7+12=19$ .



Mr. Knapp takes time out of his busy schedule to host all fall sports team members. Each year students enjoy this cookout and thank Mr. Knapp for his hospitality.



Junior Bobby Howard runs for yet another touchdown as he leaves the Oak Hill defense behind. Bobby was a tremendous addition to the Tartan football team and always thrilled the crowd with his extraordinary talent.

At one of the exciting football pep assemblies, Mr. Smith gives the students a word of encouragement, as Mr. Knapp and Mrs. Odle look on. Support for the football team was greatly appreciated all season.



Judy Cooper, Josh Sherman, Tristan Spinski, Josh Rawlins, and Amanda Wilson are all smiles as they pass the time in Coach McAllister's shop class. These five seniors could always be found someplace other than their assigned classes.



Tina Cantrell and Chad Monroe sing their duet, "A Whole New World" at the 3rd annual Madrigals Dinner Theater. The dinner theater was a big success this year.



Lindsay Miller, Somer Otworth, and Heather Odle stop to smile for the camera. These girls made many great memories for their senior year.

Shelby Davis, Vanessa Billiter, and Tracy Jenkins all meander over the tedious chore of selecting homecoming decorations. After it was all over all, their hard work paid off.



Stacey Schisler and Tina Cantrell are honored as basketball co-captains at a pep assembly. These girls played hard for the Tartans all year long.

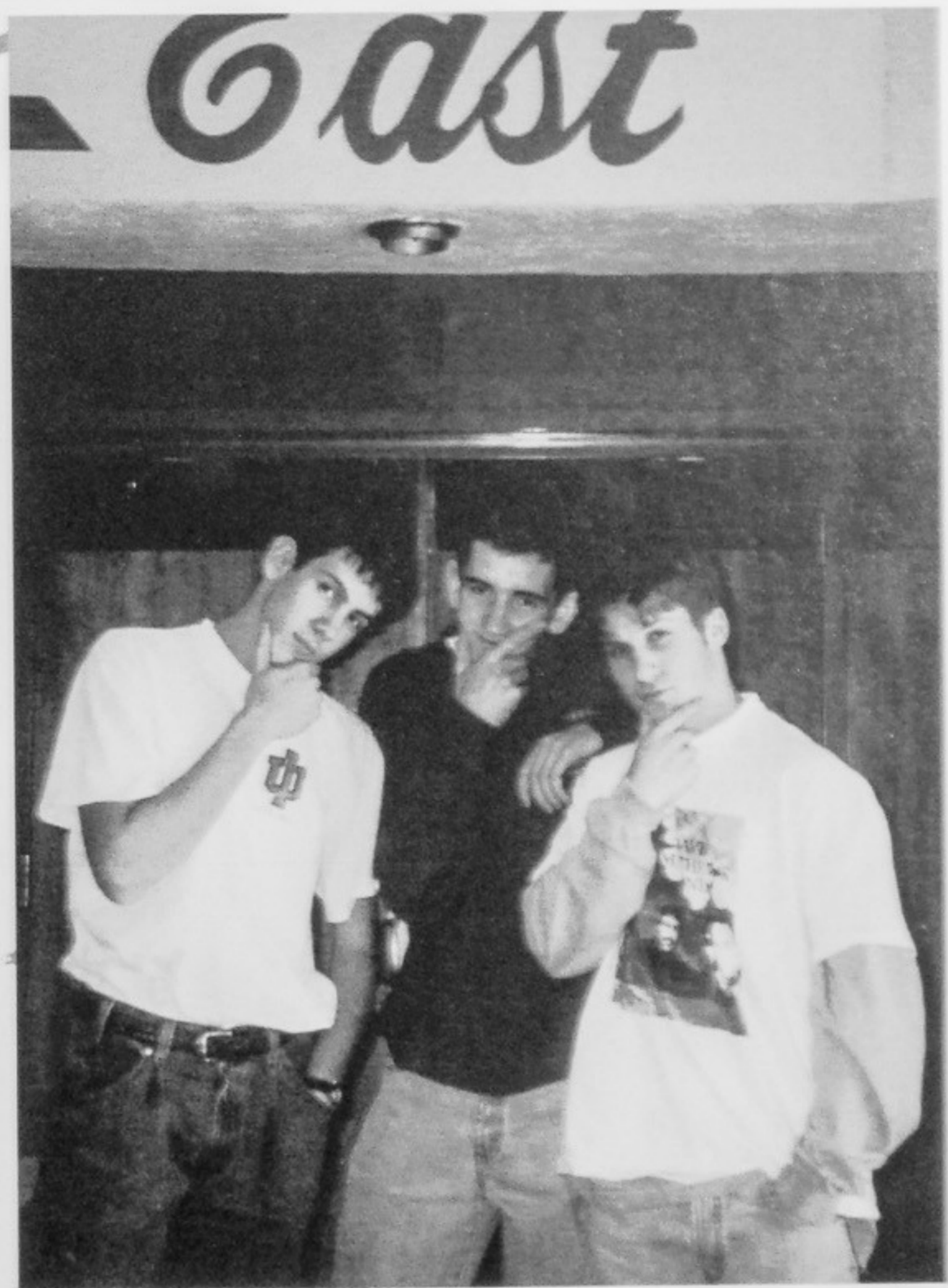




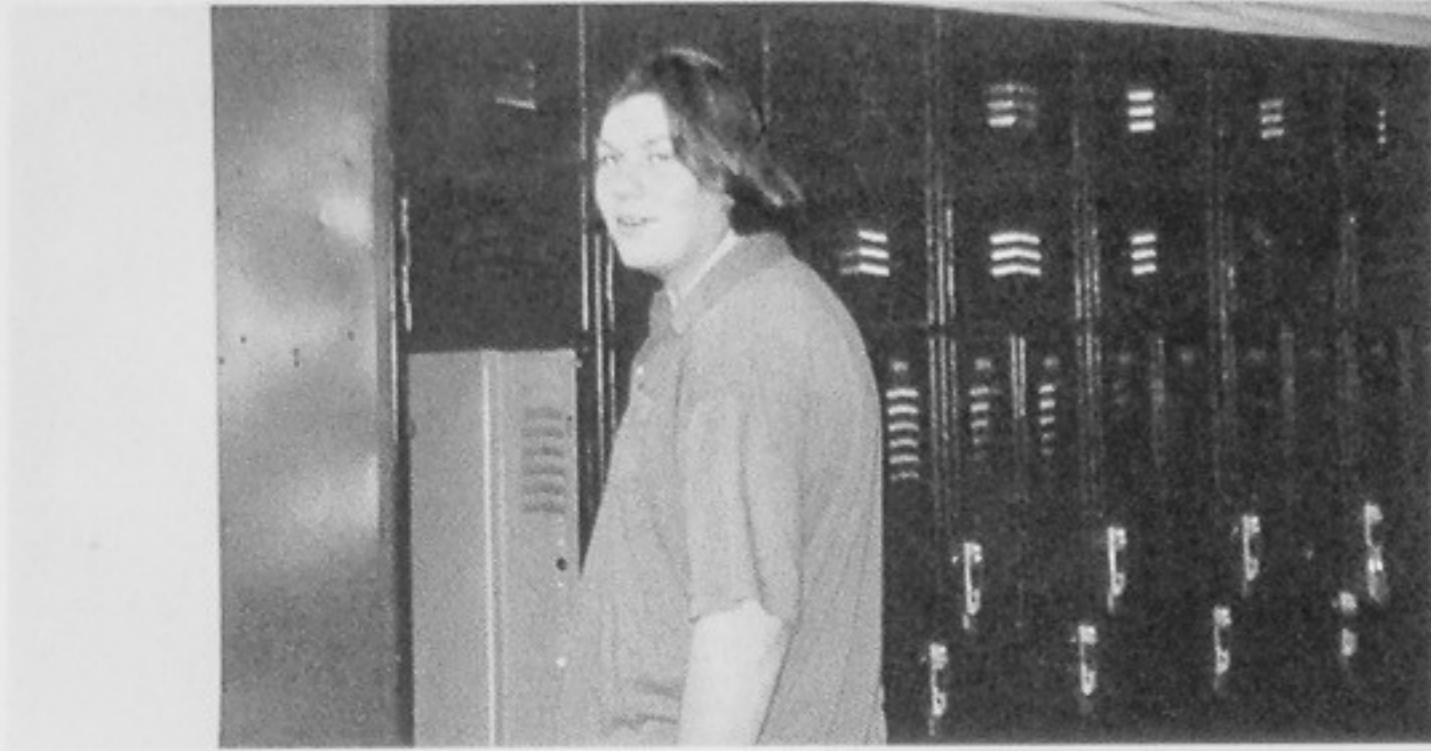
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Academics



# SCIOTO COUNTY JOINT VOCATIONAL SCHOOL



Senior Josh Oliver stands at his locker which contains no books. Josh was enrolled in the Electronic II class.



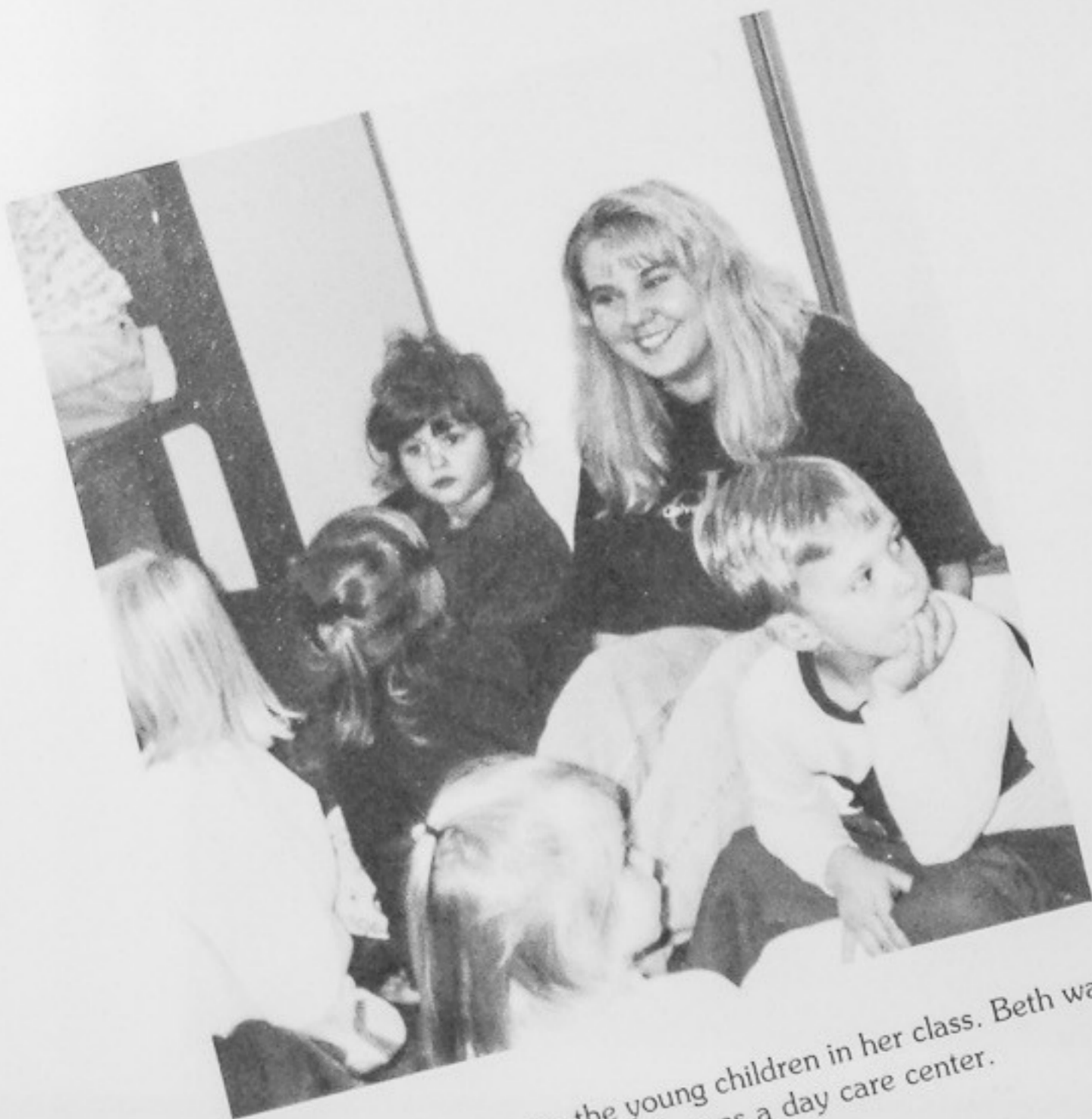
Steve Sisler stands in the cage where he hands out tools. Steve was enrolled in the Masonry I class.

The Scioto County Joint Vocational School offers skill training in twenty-three vocational programs to Scioto County juniors and seniors. To complement their vocational training, SCJVS students also receive instruction in English, Applied Communications, Applied Math, Principles of Tech-

nology and American History/Government.

Students who complete training for vocational certifications at SCJVS also graduate from East High School. The students at the Vocational School represent East High School with great pride.

Trying to find a way to get out of a test, James Meadows looks at the camera person. James was a senior at the Vocational School.

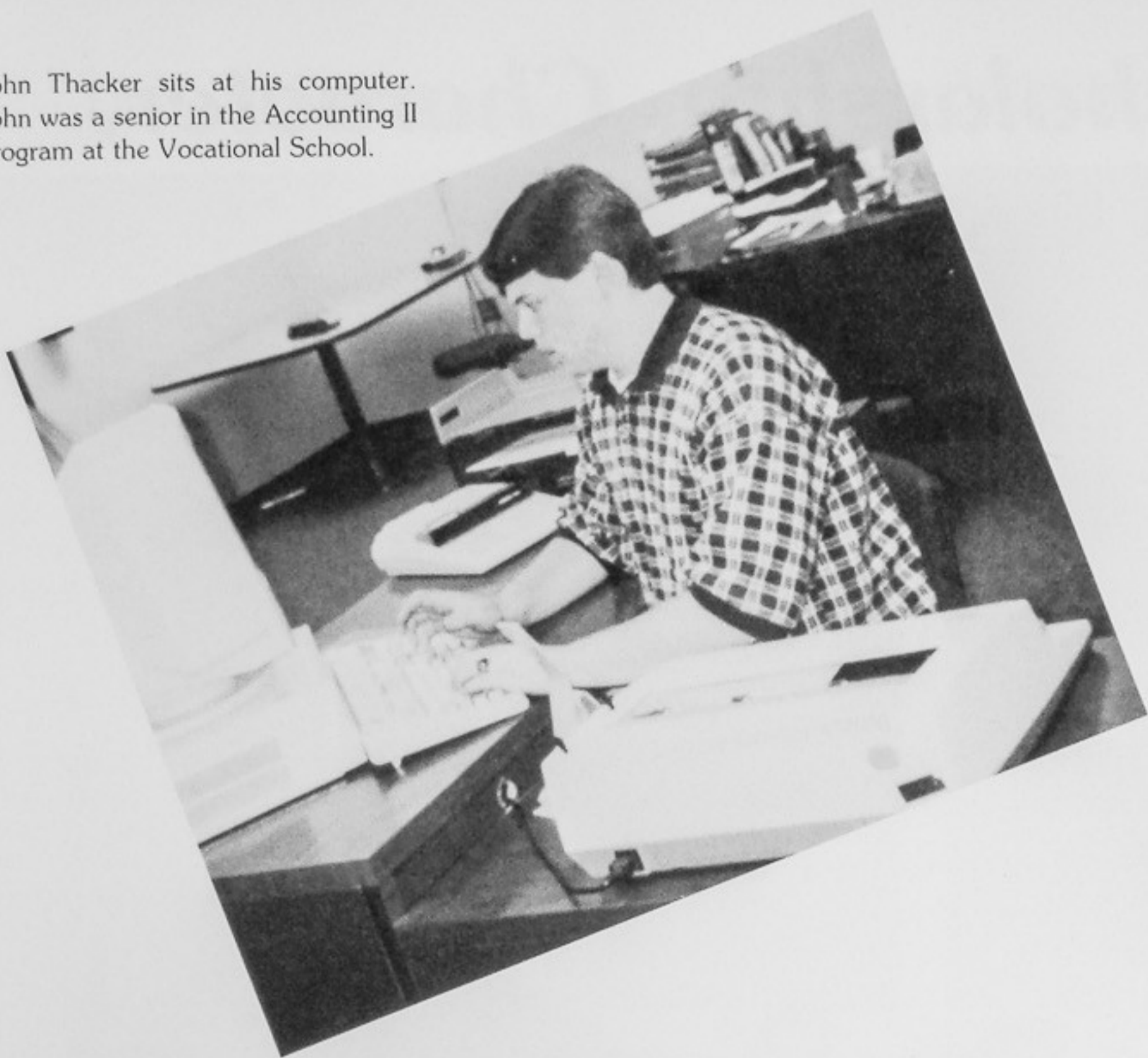


Beth Phipps sits among the young children in her class. Beth was enrolled in Child Care II, which runs a day care center.



Nicki Craig works very hard on a test. Nicki was a senior in the costmotogly class.

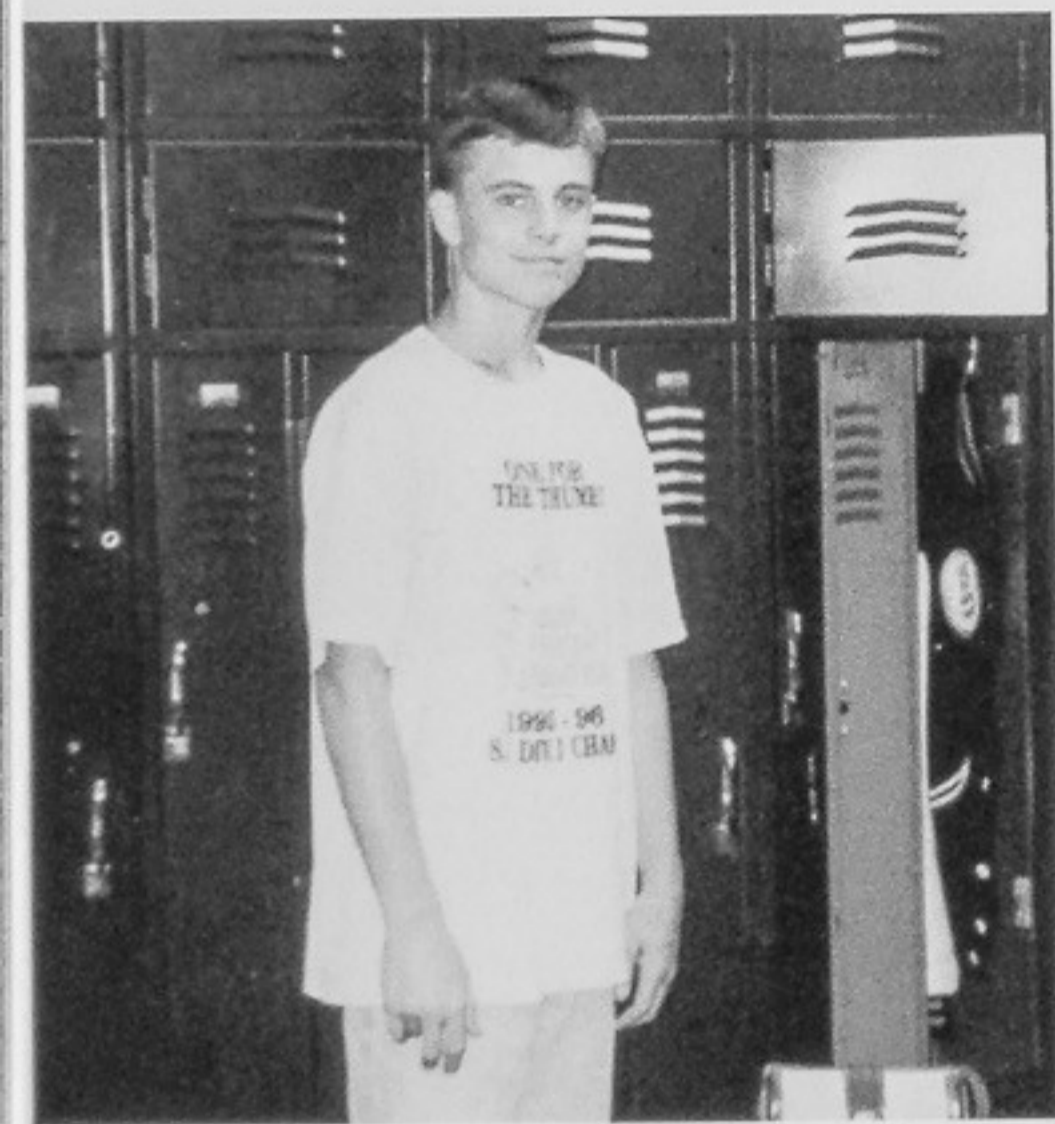
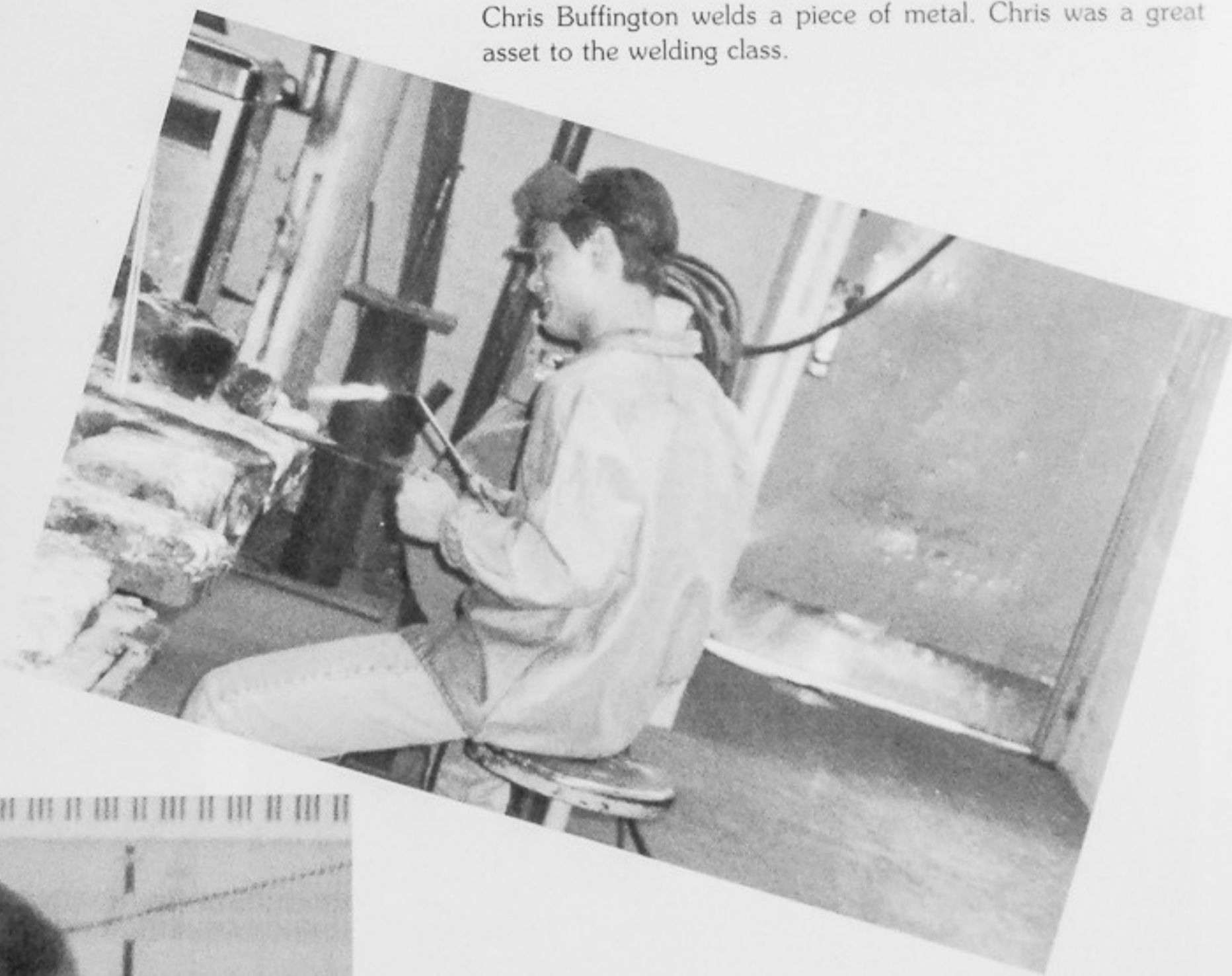
John Thacker sits at his computer. John was a senior in the Accounting II program at the Vocational School.



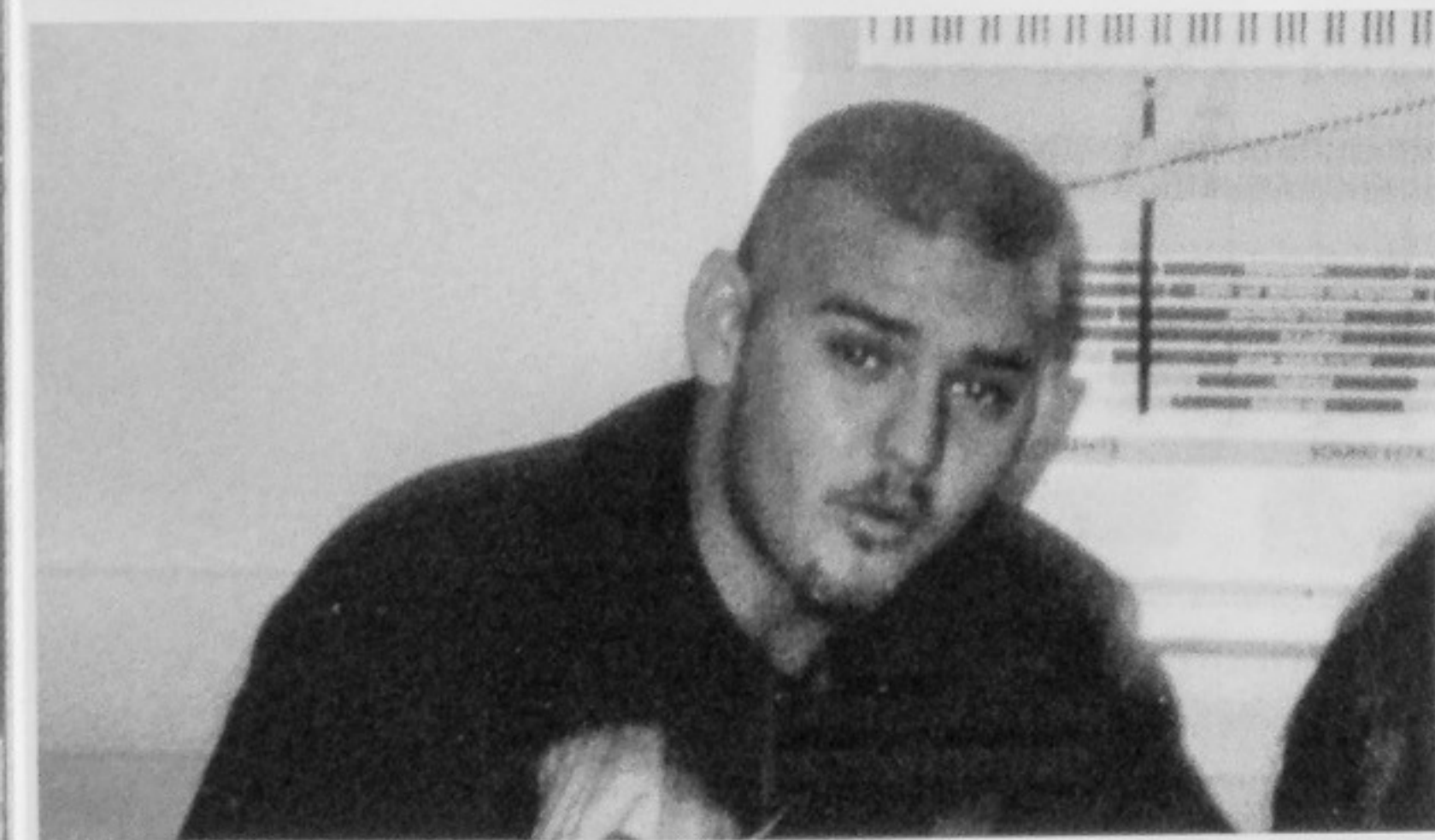
Heather Taylor is a student in the Accounting — Computing class. Heather was a transfer student from Wheelersburg.



Chris Buffington welds a piece of metal. Chris was a great asset to the welding class.



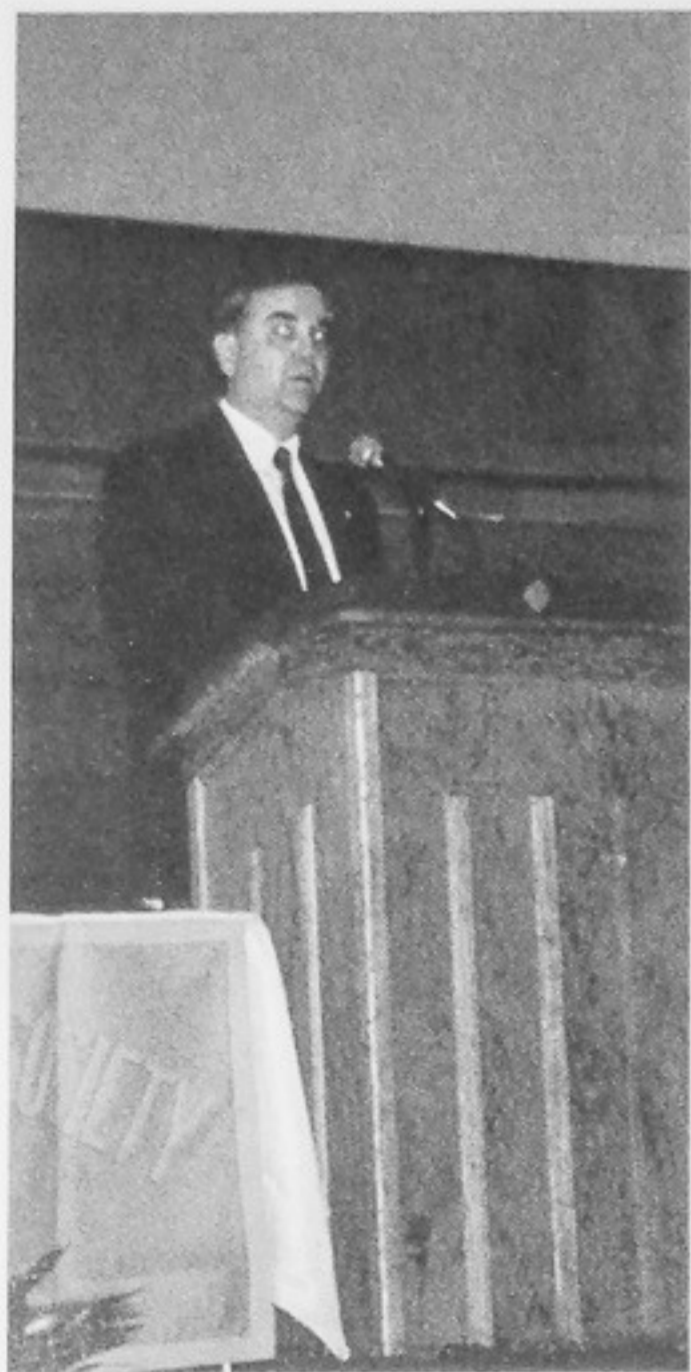
Dusty Coyle sits in his Government class as the photographer takes a picture. Dusty was a senior in the Welding program.



Dustin Carver shows off his East High School jacket in his locker. Dustin was a junior at the vocational school.

Dr. John Schwamberger was invited to speak at this year's NHS induction ceremony. He is the nephew of Mrs. Bolton.

# Scholarship, Character, Leadership, Service



On February 20, 1997, the Pauline Walden Chapter of the National Honor Society held its annual induction for new members. Selection is based upon scholarship (GPA), character, leadership, and service. As each student matures, they develop the characteristics that make them better people for

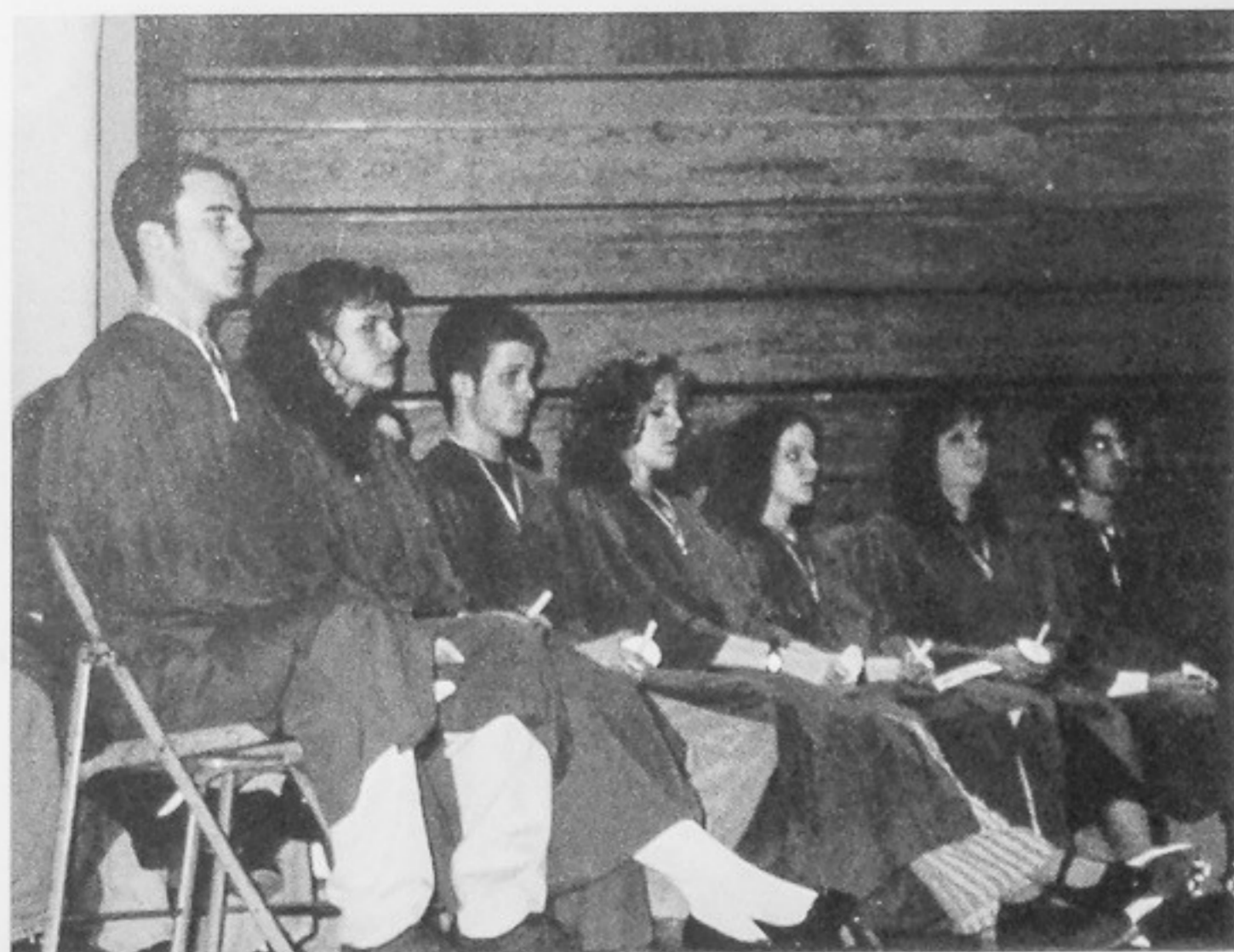
tomorrow.

President Michael Stapleton welcomed guests and introduced speakers. Vice-President Aimee Forshey gave the tribute to Pauline Walden, and Treasurer Tracy Jenkins gave the Invocation. The Candle Ceremony was conducted

by Tracy Jenkins, Heather Odle, Jamie King, and Tristan Spinski. Josh Sherman led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Pledge of New Members. The Madrigals sang the "Star Spangled Banner" and the arrangement, "Let There Be Peace On Earth."



To the right, Senior member Josh Sherman leads the Pledge of New Members. The new members are: Seniors Kate Brown, Angela Stapleton, and Lindsay Miller. The new Junior members are: Stacey Haywood, Christi VanMeter, Jeremy Ketter, Ivan Dunham, Brett Davis, Craig Chamberlin, and Matt Ketter.



After conducting the Tapping Ceremony, the incumbent members of the National Honor Society listen intently as the guest speaker, Dr. John Schwamberger, gives his speech on dedication to the school and to school work.



Heather Odle had the honor of tapping her life-long friend, Angela Stapleton, as Tracy Jenkins inducts her into the National Honor Society. Angela possessed each of the four qualities to be in the N.H.S. her senior year.

President Michael Stapleton lights the candle of white light.



Vice-president Aimee Forshey gives the traditional tribute to Miss Pauline Walden after whom the East High School's NHS is named.



Treasurer Tracy Jenkins ignites the yellow candle of scholarship.

Secretary Heather Odle describes the meaning of her office - Service.

Yum, yum! New members, old members, and parents enjoy the reception that followed the induction service.



Quiz Bowl: Aimee Forshey, Stephen Ellsesser, McKenzie Kleinman, Ryan Keys, Brad Bear, Michael Spears, Adam Martin, Ryan Lindamood, Steven Hunter, Adam Forshey, and Mr. Martin.



## *Quiz Bowl*

T.A.G.: Erica Brown and Jamie King



## *T.A.G.*

Talent Search: Jared Kalb, Diana Escamilla, Krystal Hall, Debra McKinney, Danny Jenkins, Holly Cantwell, Tracy Jenkins, Jamie Peterman, Vanessa Billiter



## *Talent Search*

# Post-Secondary



Our only Post-Secondary Enrollment student this year was senior Kate Brown. Her dedication to both East High School and her college classes at Shawnee State will benefit her greatly in her future.

## Upward Bound



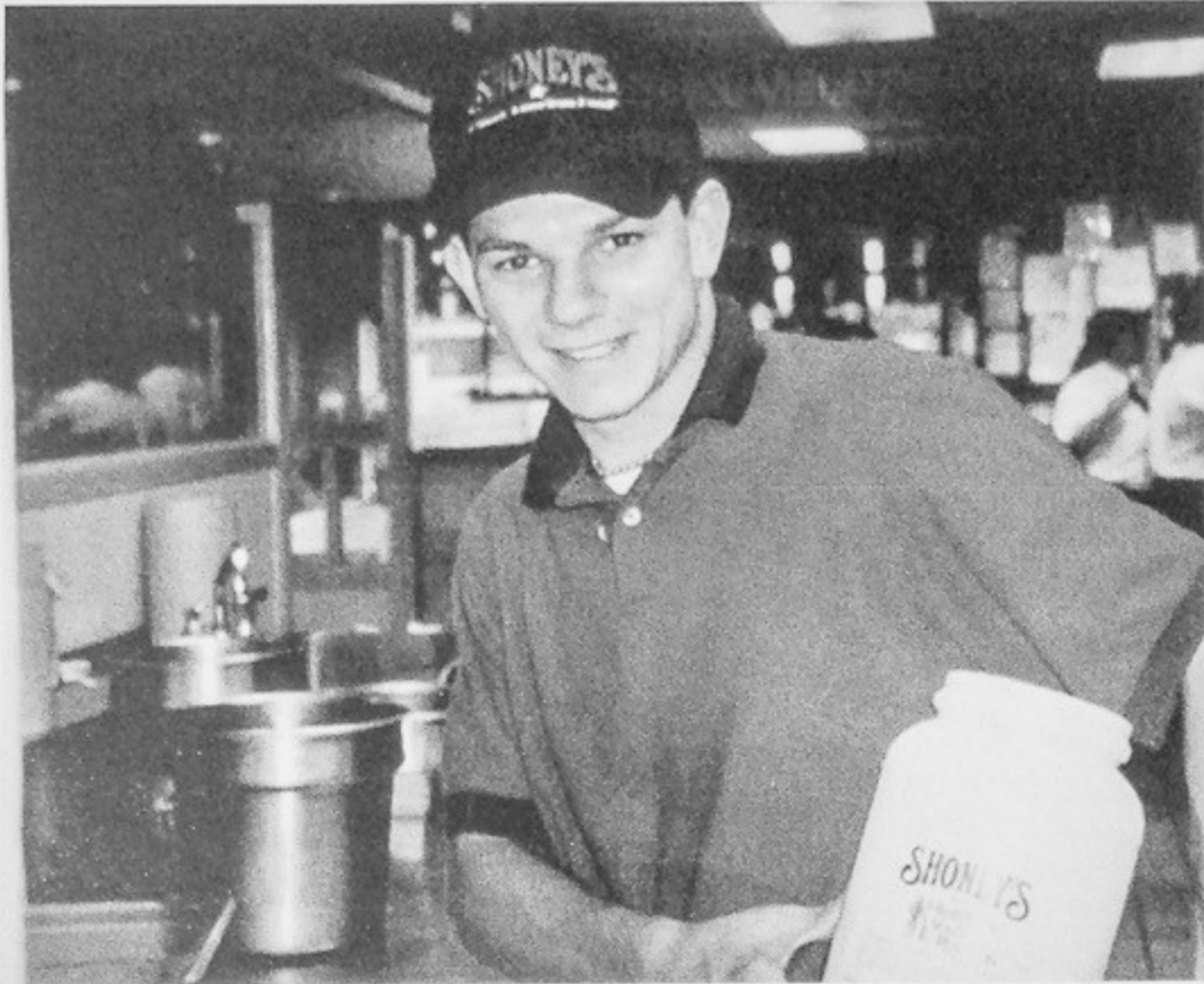
Upward Bound: Jamie King, Vanessa Faulkner, Charity Lewis, Steven Hunter, Matt Hammer, Chris Chambliss, Ryan Jenkins, Michael Spears

## S.C.O.R.E.S.



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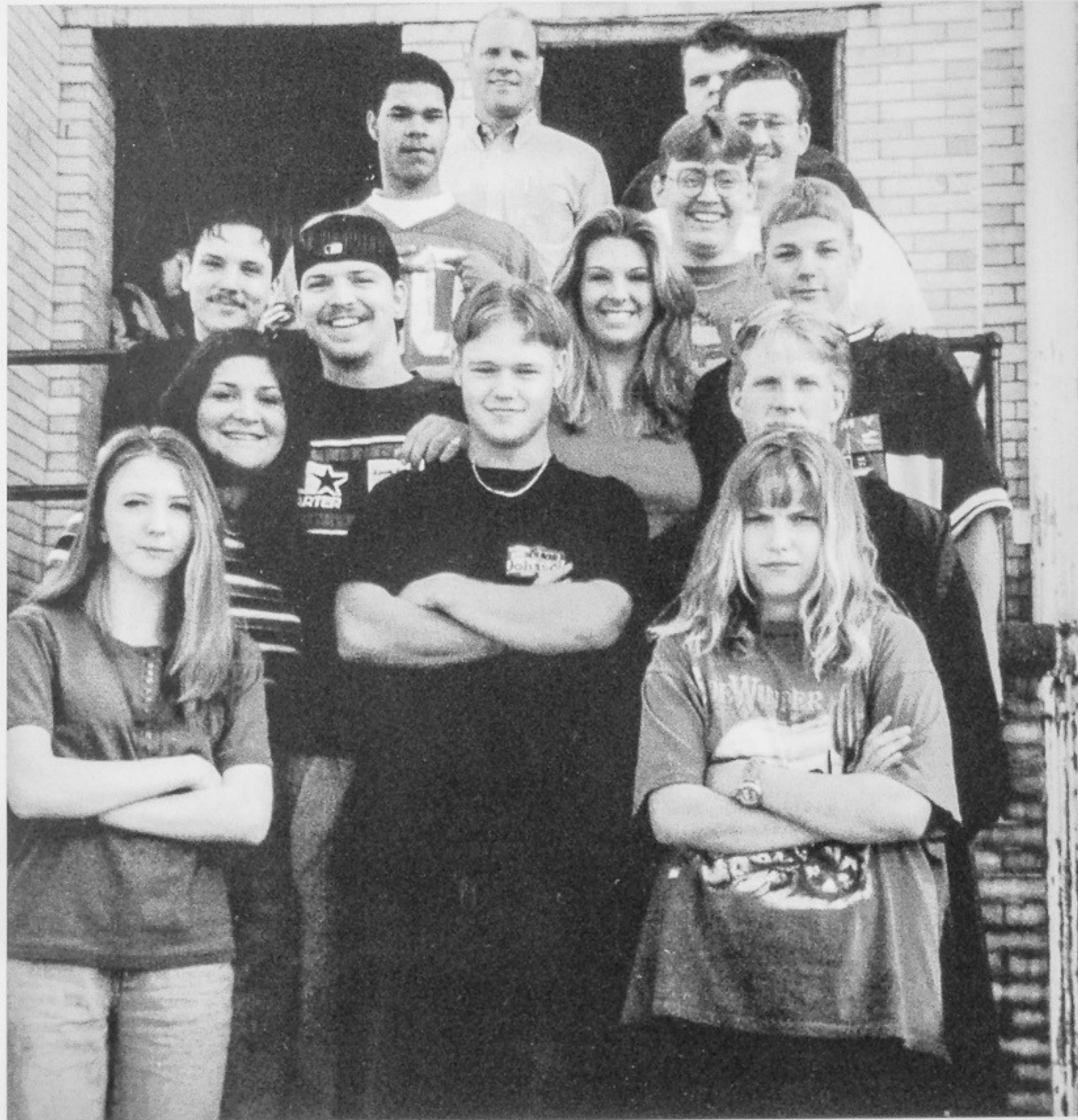
Tom Neff proudly displays his tub of Ranch dressing while on the job at Shoney's. Working during the school day was a big part of the OWE program and helped students to gain knowledge of the work force.



Senior Mindy Crawford whips up something delicious in the Home-Ec kitchen. Mindy was one of many students who took part in the first year of OWE classes and job training.

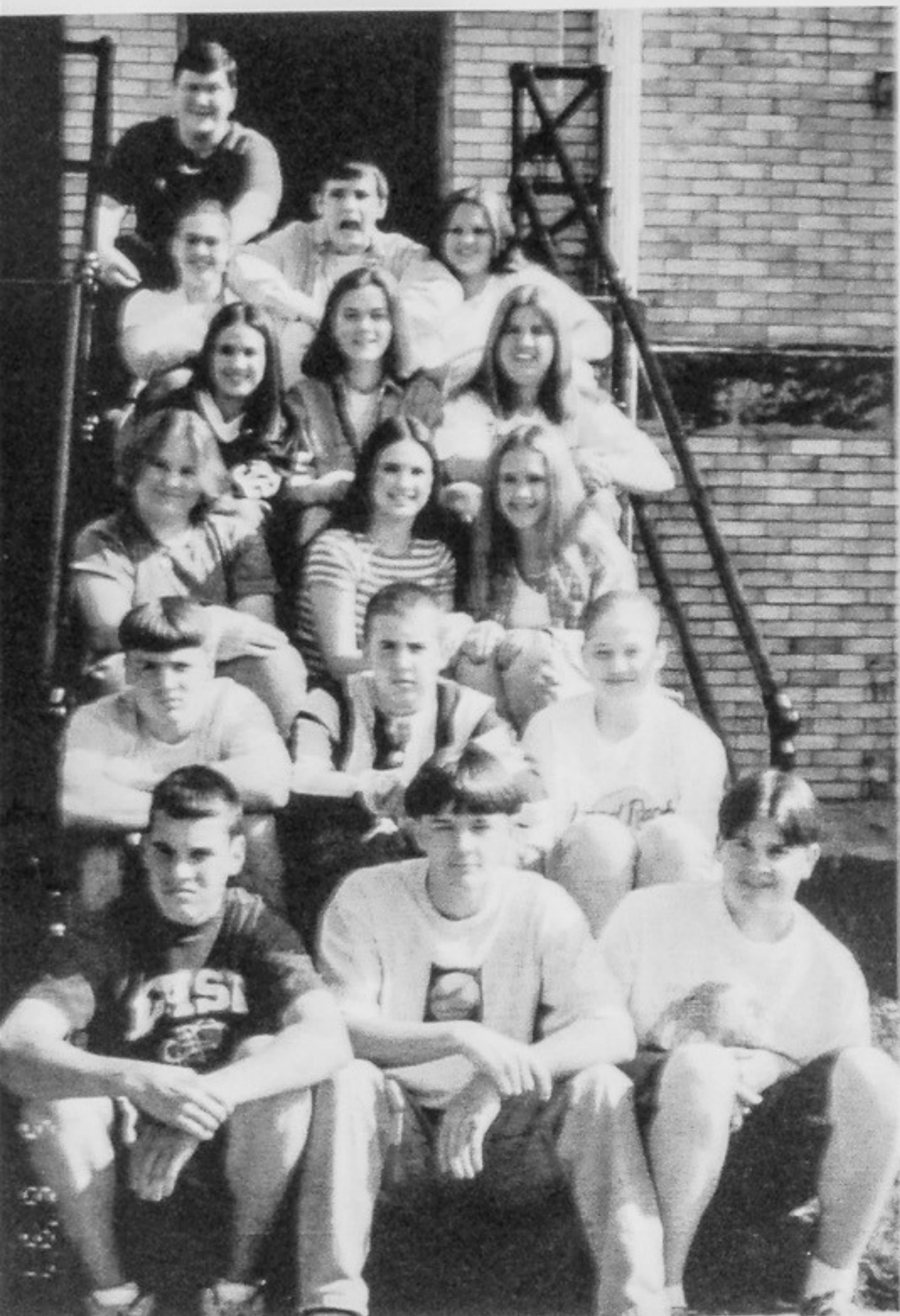


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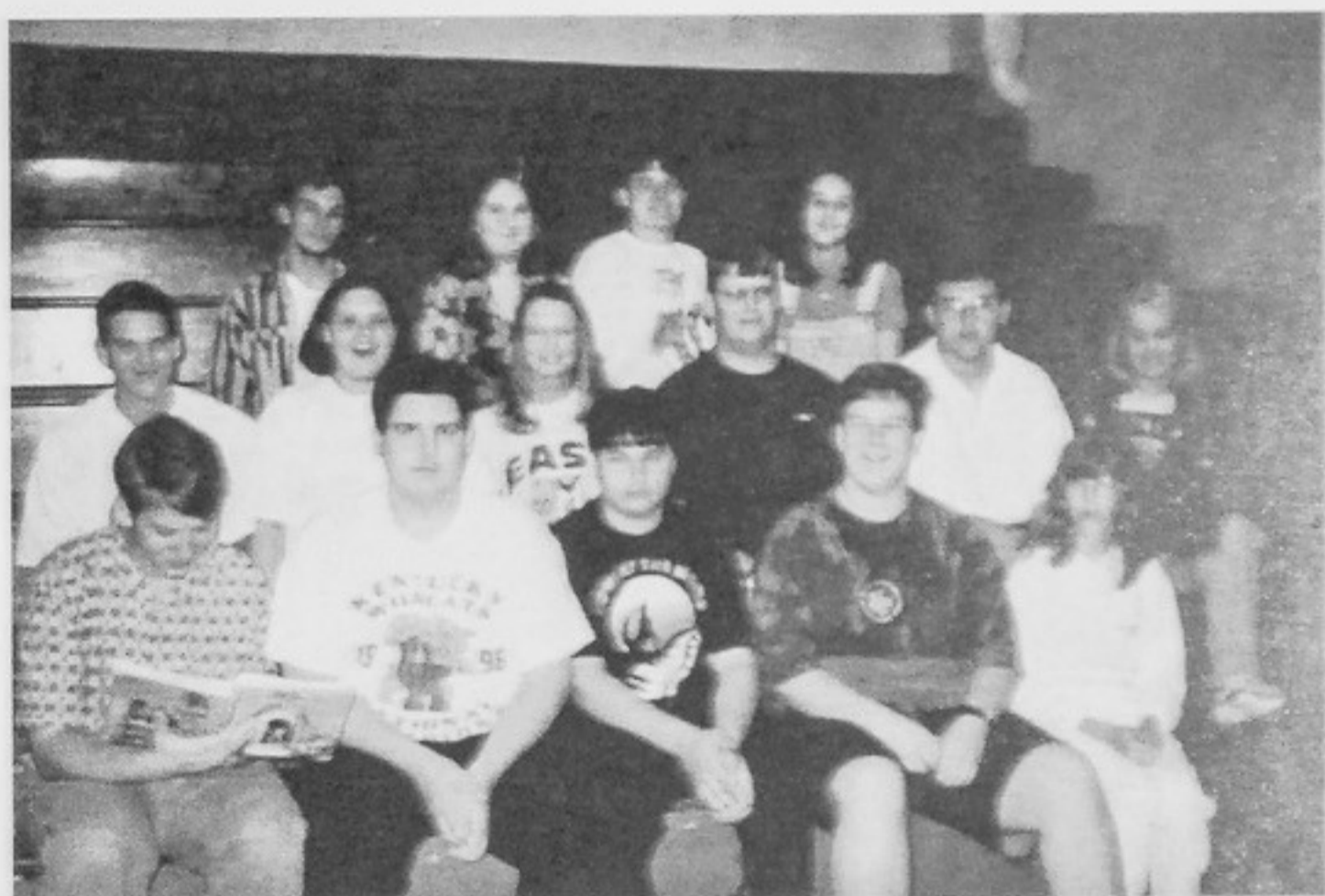
Mindy Pierce, Travis Shultz, Tara Scott, Priscilla Phipps, Terry Stevenson, Eric Stiltner, Brandy Wright, Tom Neff, Todd Jarvis, Brandon Hall, Rick Walker, Carl Stanley, Mr. Burke, Shaun Hiles



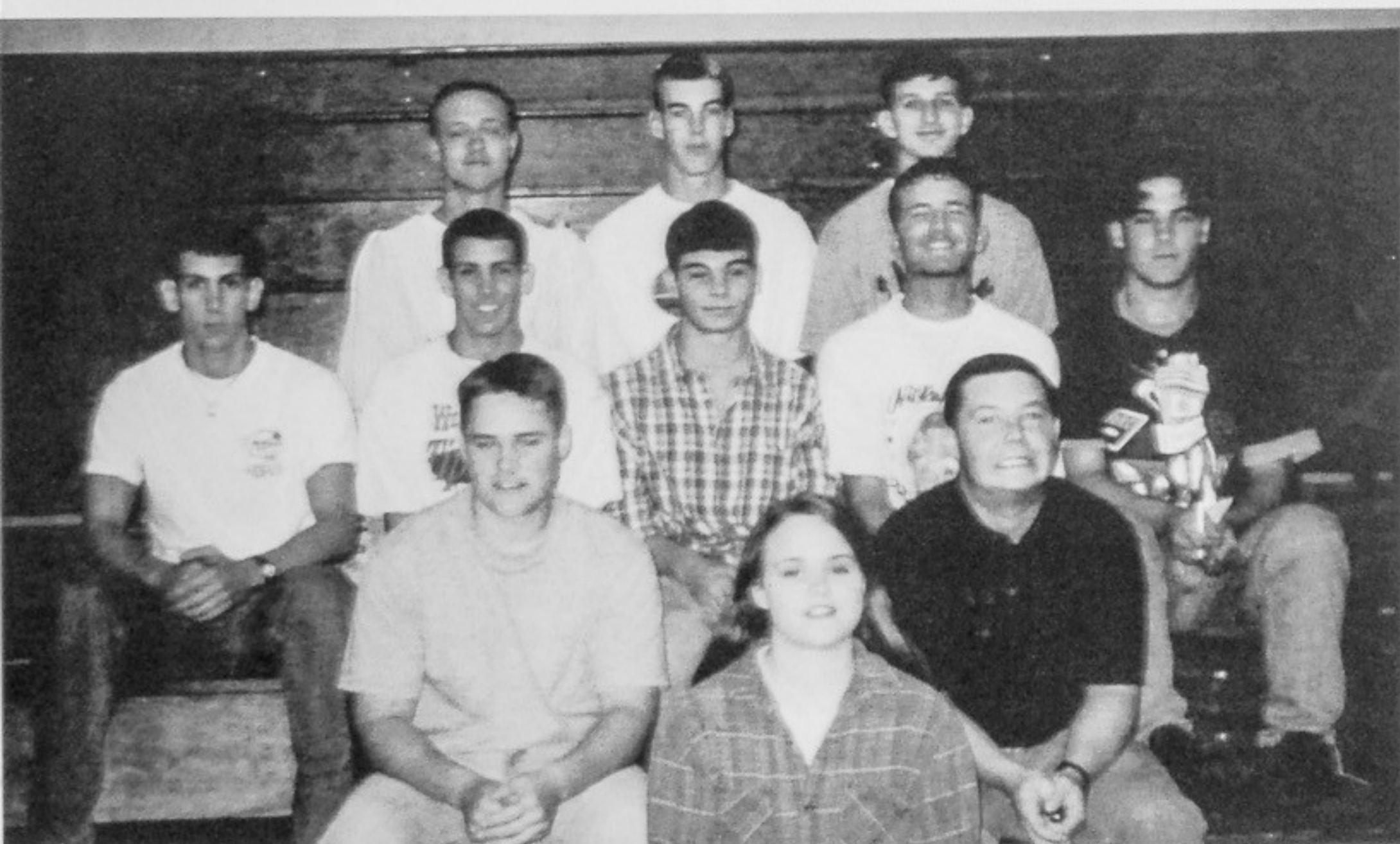


Freshman Scholarship Team: 1st Row- Jimmy Walburn, Ryan Jenkins, Adam Forshey. 2nd Row- Ben Etterling, Randy Cooper, Karen Luther. 3rd Row- Vanessa Faulkner, Brenna Davis, Mandi Lewis. 4th Row- Shelby Davis, Megan Sherman, Nancy McKinnon. 5th Row- McKenzie Kleinman, Stephen Ellsesser, Kelli Day 6th Row- Ryan Lindamood.

Sophomore Scholarship Team: 1st Row- Ryan Keys, Steven Hunter, Adam Martin, Brad Bear, Lauren Bailey. 2nd Row- Wylie Binns, Misty VanMeter, Charity Lewis, Michael Spears, Rusty Elrod, Vanessa Billiter. 3rd Row- Chris Blevins, Dee Dee Montgomery, Dustin Payton, Megan Smith.



## Scholarship Teams

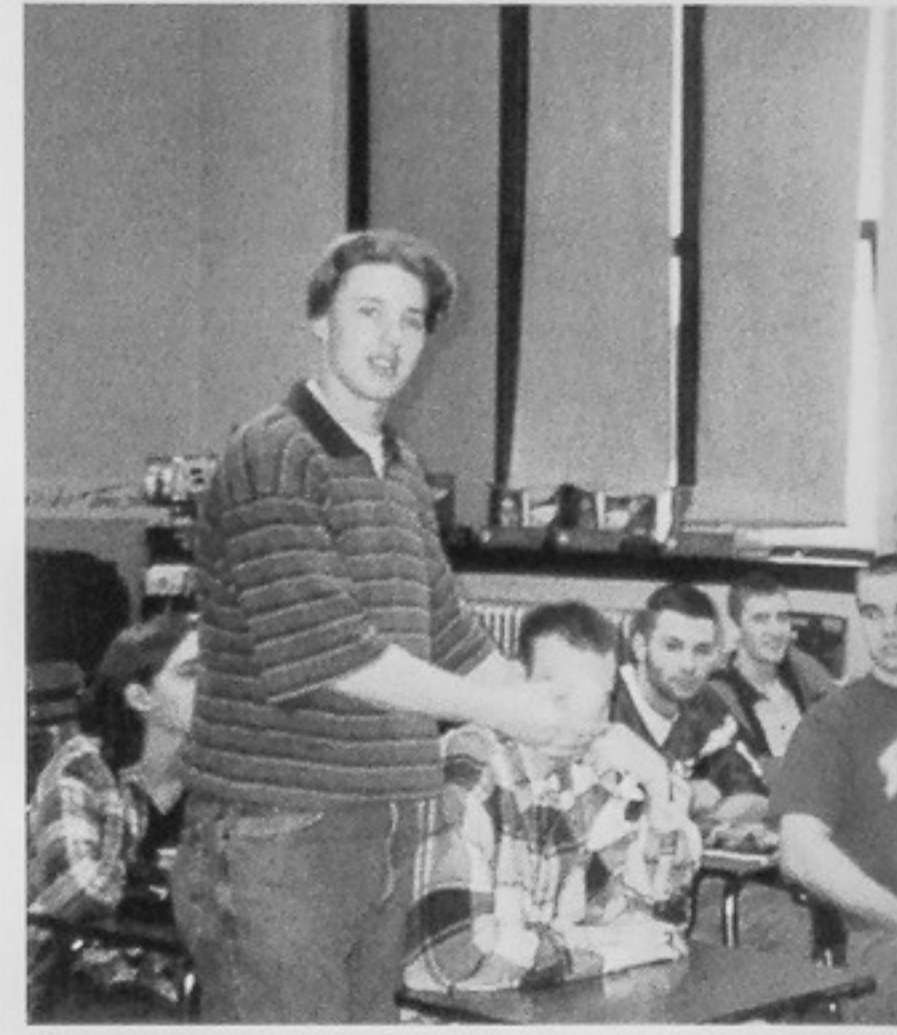


Junior Scholarship Team: 1st Row- Christi VanMeter 2nd Row- Brett Davis, Matt Hammer 3rd Row- Matt Ketter, Jeremy Ketter, Kent Piatt, Todd Gilliland, Craig Chamberlin 4th Row- Jarod Billiter, Jeff Walburn, Deric Paxson. Not Pictured- Lanie Kaltenbach

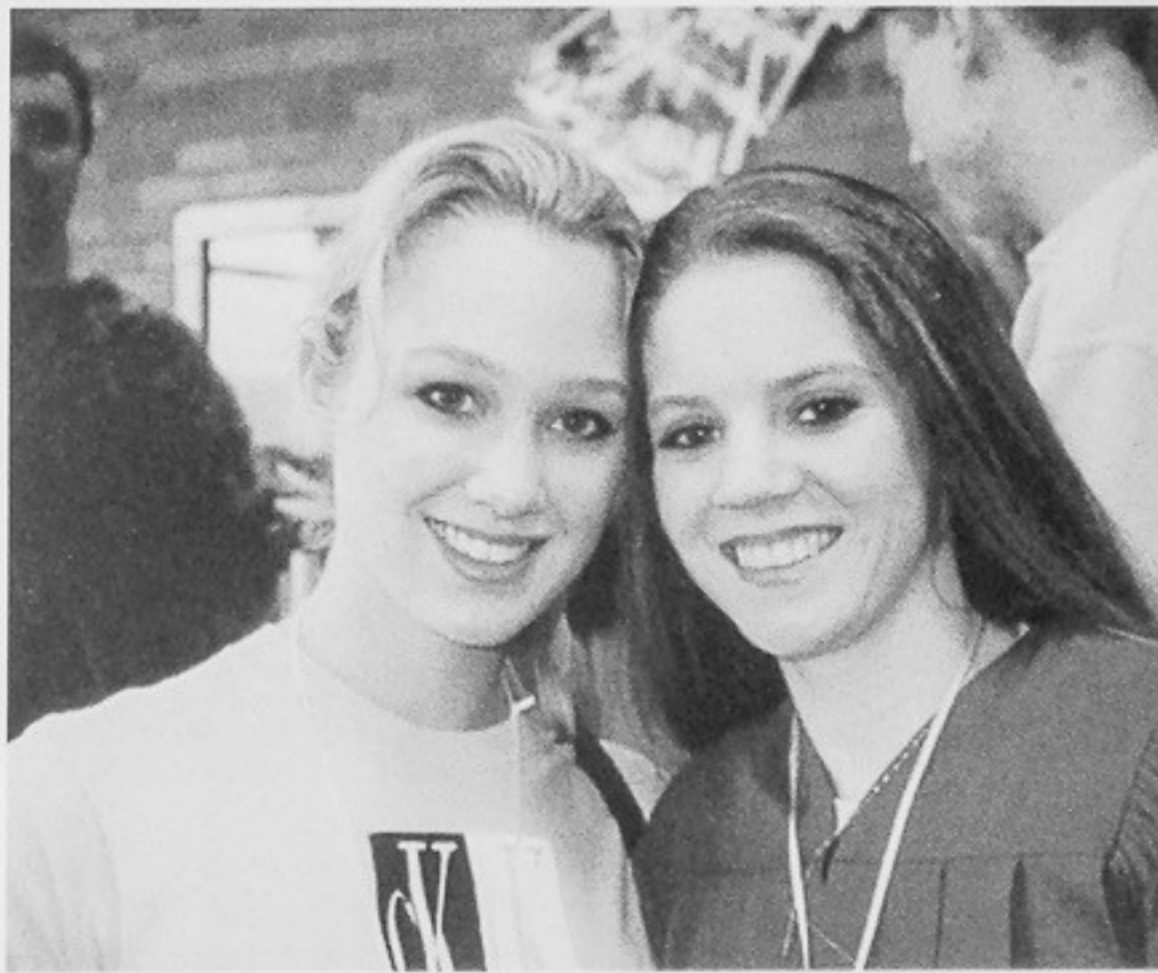
The Class of 1997

- 1st row — Tina, Angie, Heather, Lindsay, Josh, Josh, Crystal
- 2nd row — Mindy, Somer, Stacey, Tristian, Bill, Judy
- 3rd Row — Kate, Stacey, Tisha, Emily, Matt, Steve, Jennifer, Donald
- 4th Row — John, Tracy, Aimee, Chad, Michael, Willie, Alicia, Jason
- 5th Row — Karl, Chad, Dustin, Dwane, Doug

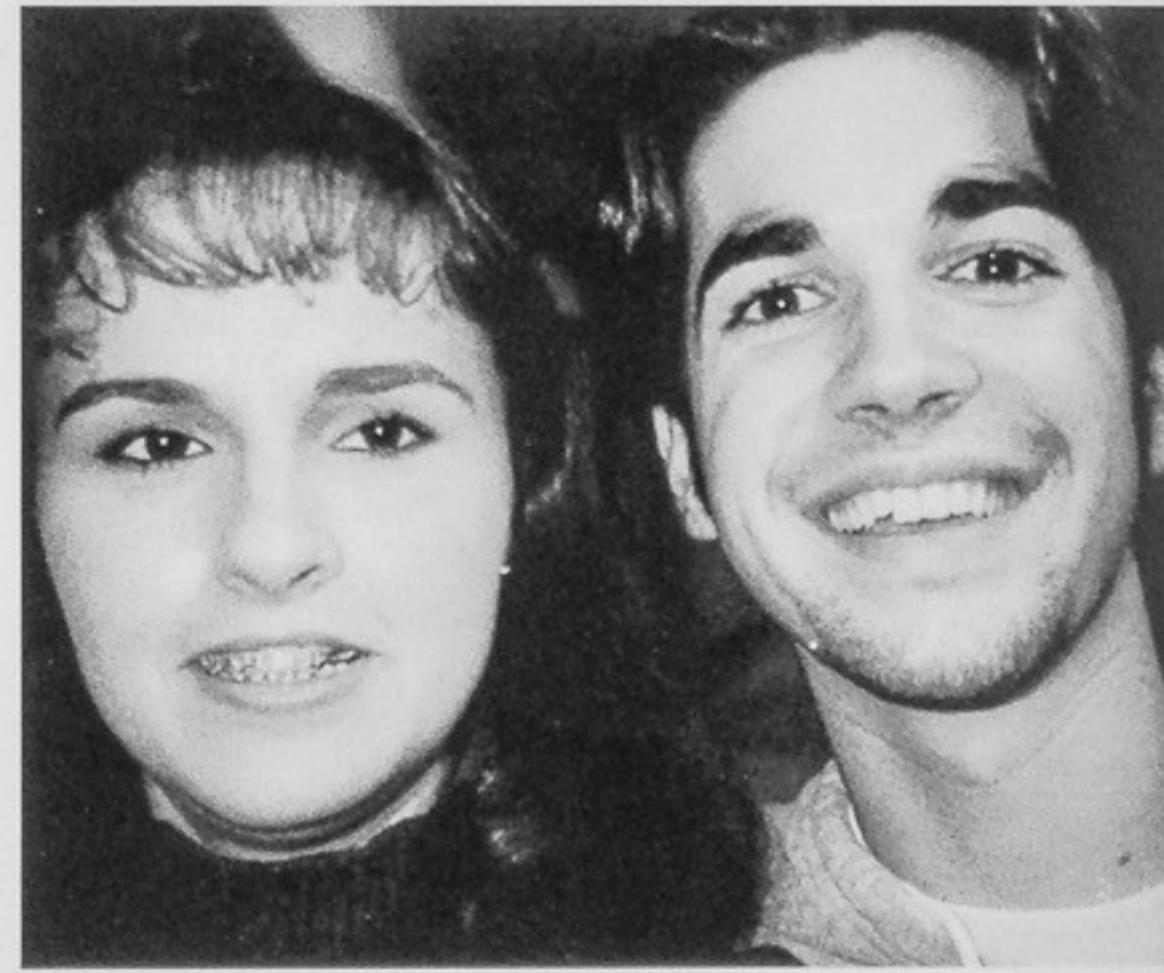
Chris Chambliss tries to explain to the JOGS class the meaning of an apple. The JOGS class had to do speeches about little things in life, and Chris got the apple.



Tracy Jenkins and Micheal Stapleton take time out of their busy days to smile at the camera. Tracy and Micheal were involved in a lot of activities as seniors at East.



Joined at the cheek! Lindsay Miller and Heather Odle stand together after Lindsay was inducted into the National Honor Society.



Tina Cantrell works hard on an assignment given by Mrs. Spradlin. Tina's artwork was usually hung throughout the walls of East High School.



Tisha Reed and Judy Cooper find the pep assembly rather funny. This was one of the last pep assembly these two girls will ever sit through at East High School.

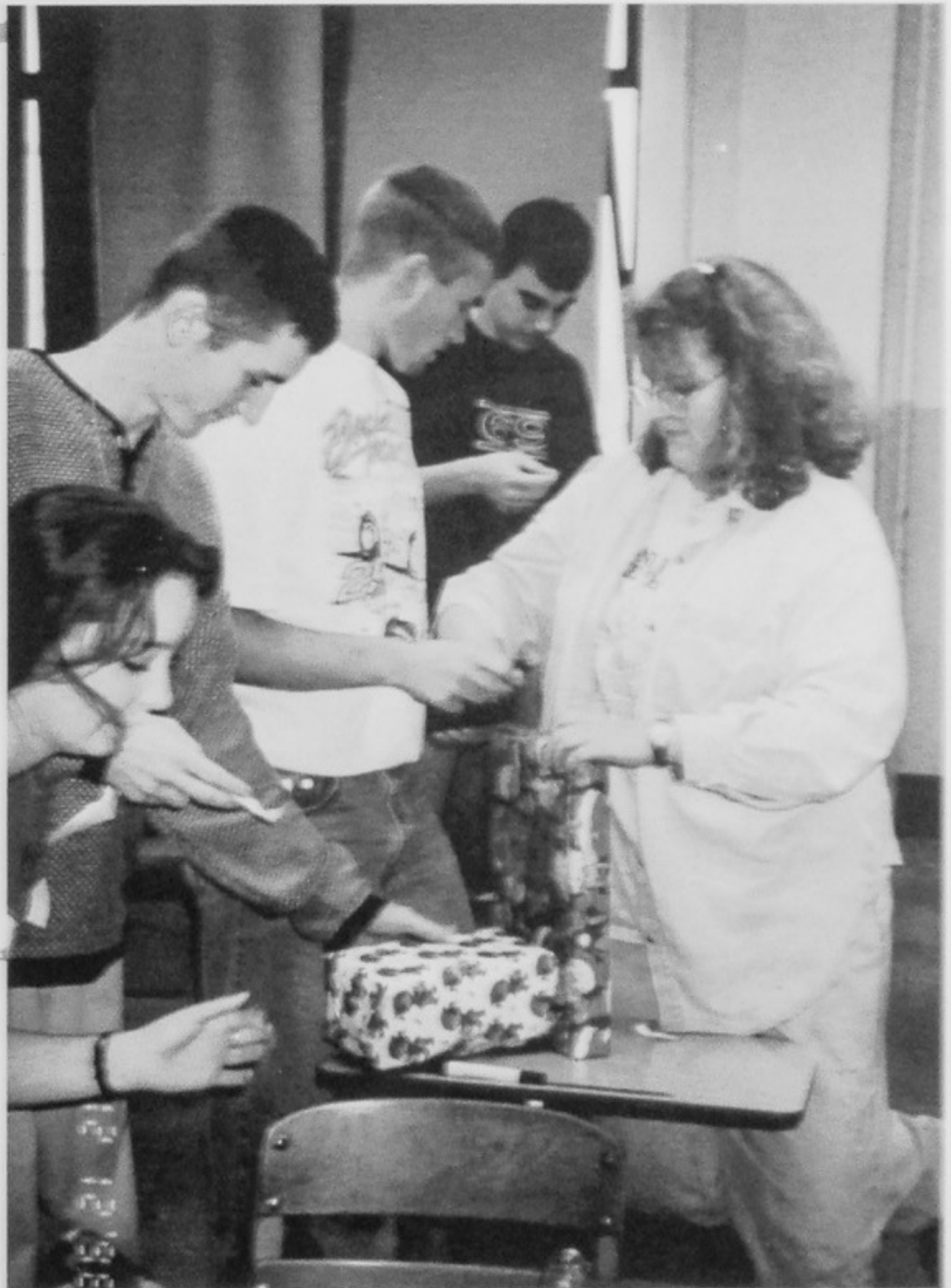


Lindsay Miller smiles with excitement as Tracy Jenkins crowns her queen at the 1996 football homecoming game.

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*People*



# Someday We'll Look Back And . . .

Remember the great times that we've shared and experienced. Through the years, things have happened that created memories to last a lifetime. Here are the words of our seniors and what they wish to reminisce about in the future.

The Class of 1997!!

"It's been a long and sometimes difficult journey, but we've made it through together. I just want to thank all of my classmates for all of the great memories!"

— Chris Chambliss

"We've been through some of the best years of our lives. Don't ever forget all of the memories that have occurred throughout our high school careers. I love you all."

— Judy Cooper

"I can't believe we're seniors! I'll always remember the good times we had. Good luck to everyone!"

— Erica Brown

"Everything is just so different this year. Yesterday's future is today's reality. Everything that used to seem so important seems so childish now. Everything that seems so distant is now in our grasp. We can never forget, but we can never go back."

— Jamie King

"What is right isn't always cool. What is cool isn't always right. Do the right thing."

— Chad Ruggles

"Don't let what people think decide who you are."

— Dustin Paxson

"It's better to be quiet and let people think you are ignorant, than open your mouth and prove it."

— Josh Rawlins

"High school has been a great experience, but it is only the beginning. Don't let the thought of a change scare you."

— Tracy Jenkins

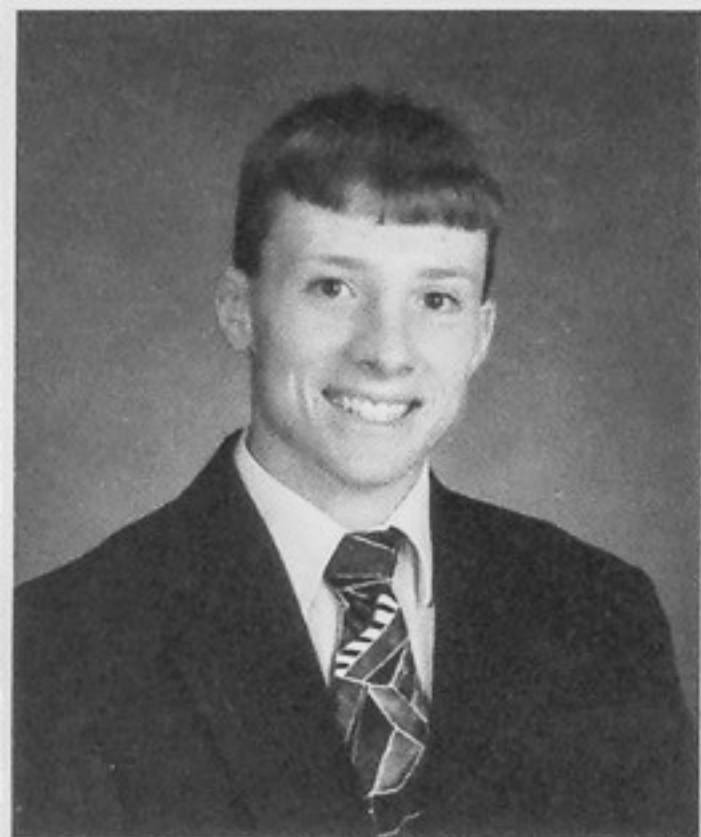
Senior Class Officers: President- Josh Sherman; Vice-President- Tristan Spinski; Secretary- Aimee Forshey; and Treasurer- Heather Odle.



The Senior Night banquet is the night most looked forward to for the Seniors all year. Awards are given out, and scholarships are announced. Not only did the Seniors take in every moment that occurred, but they also remembered the ones in the past.

As a touch of creativity, the Seniors put together a slide show, while Tristan Spinski and Josh Sherman accompany them with the guitars and Josh's voice. Here, Bill Walburn and Josh Rawlins try to help with the sound during rehearsal.

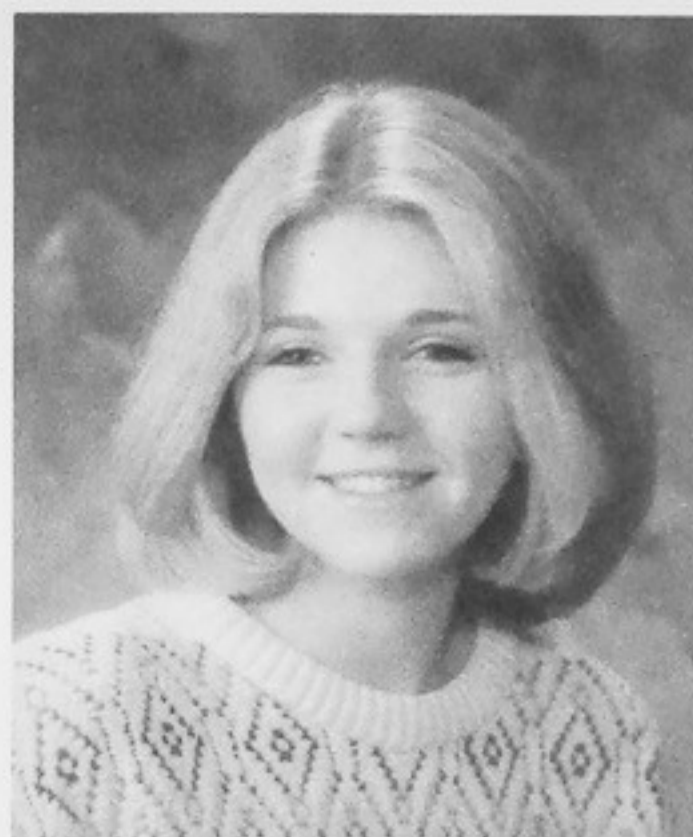




Jason Edward Armes



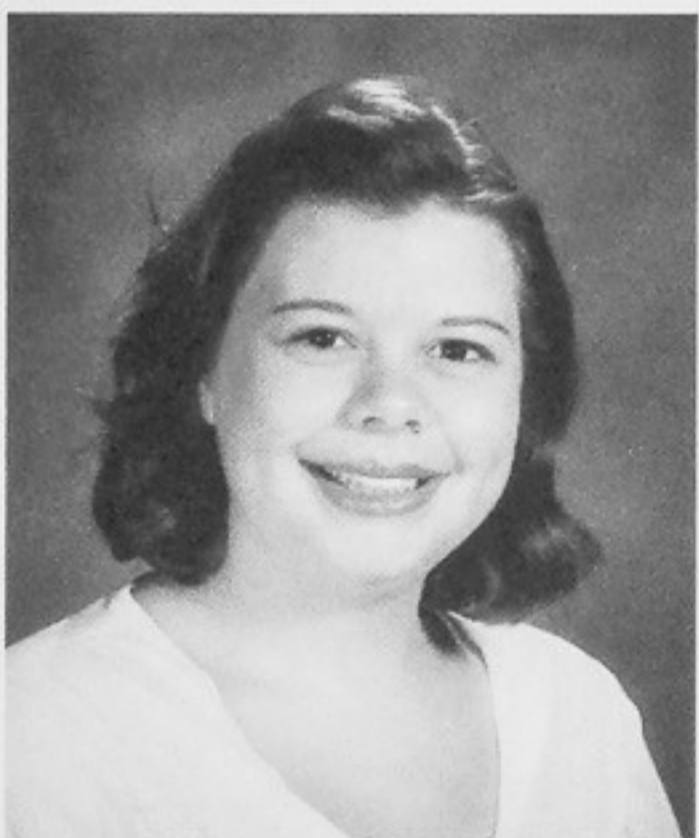
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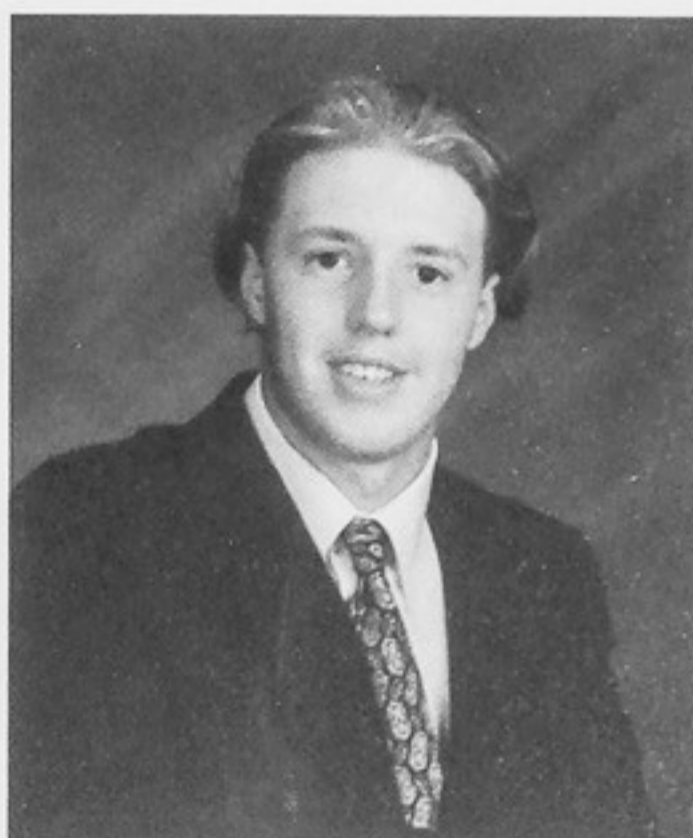
Kate Glynn Brown



Tina Marie Cantrell



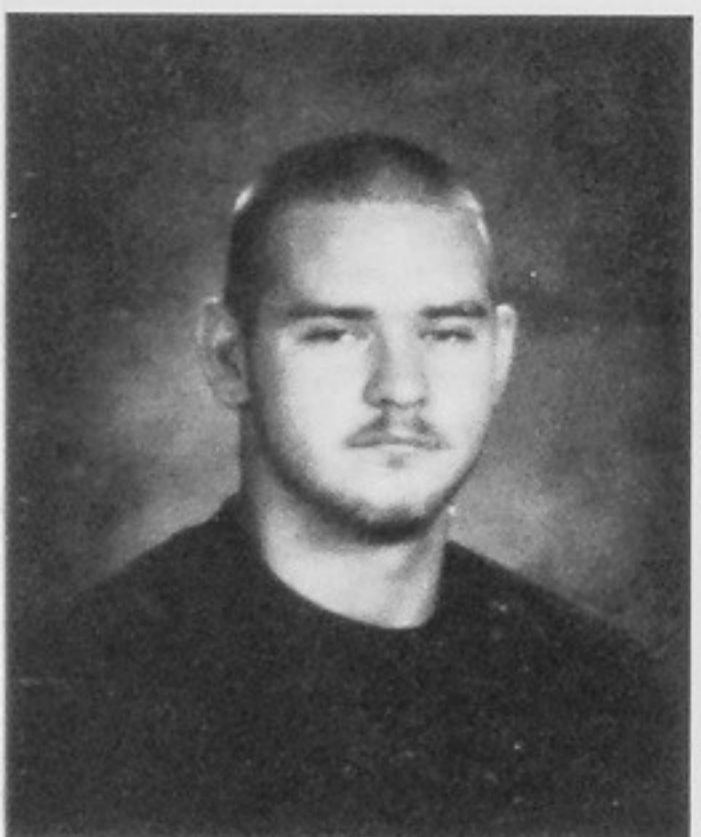
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Christopher Steele Chambliss



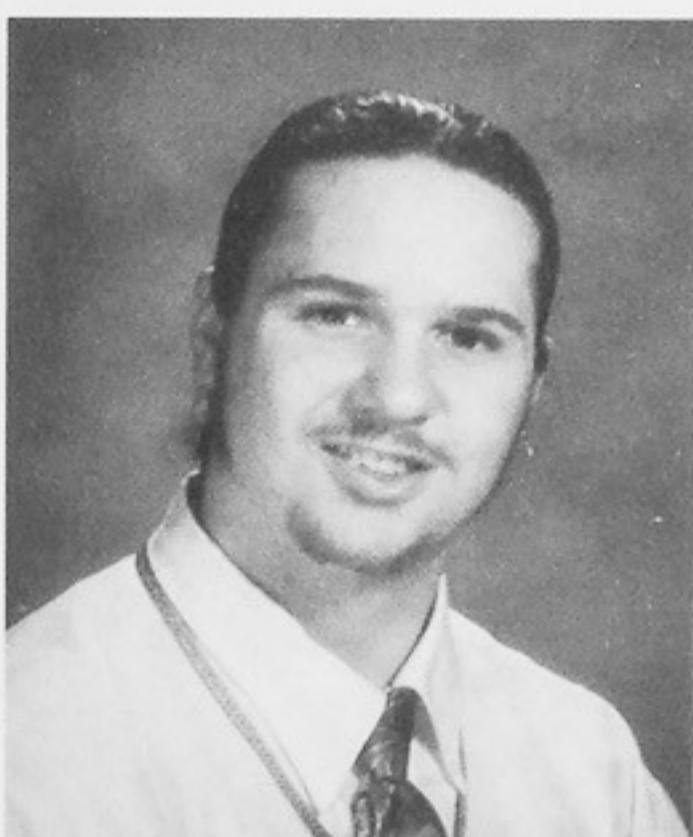
Judy Marie Cooper



Dusty Lee Coyle



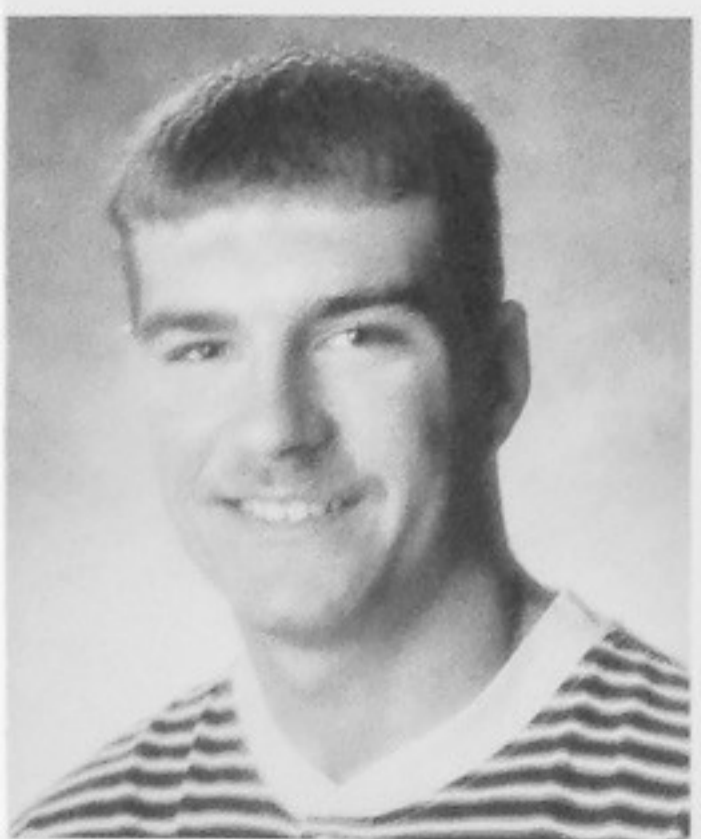
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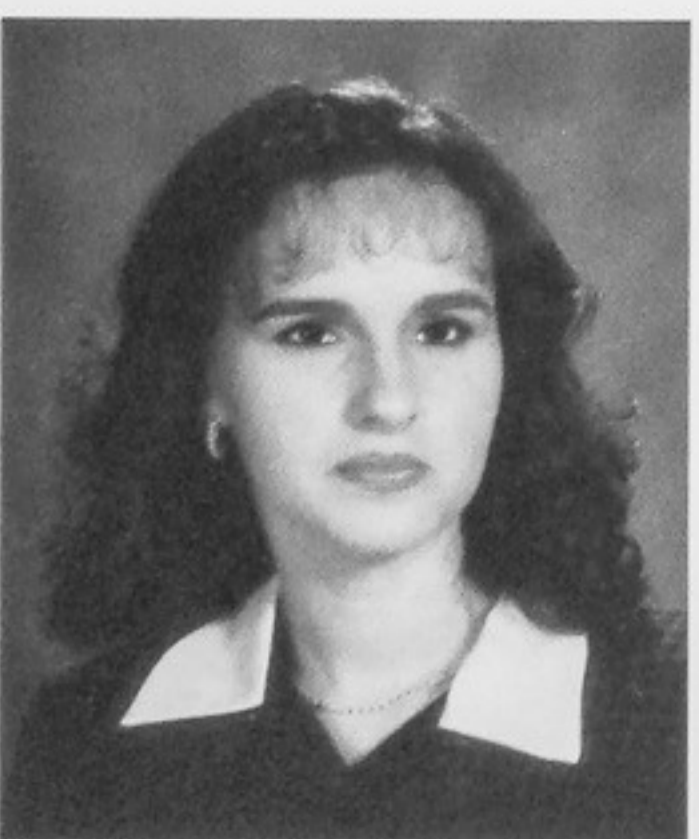
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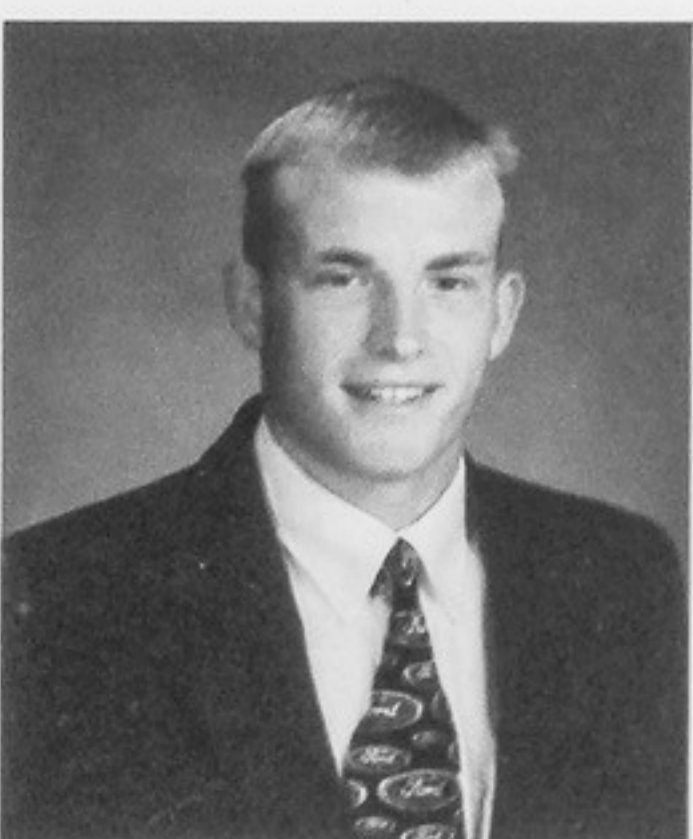
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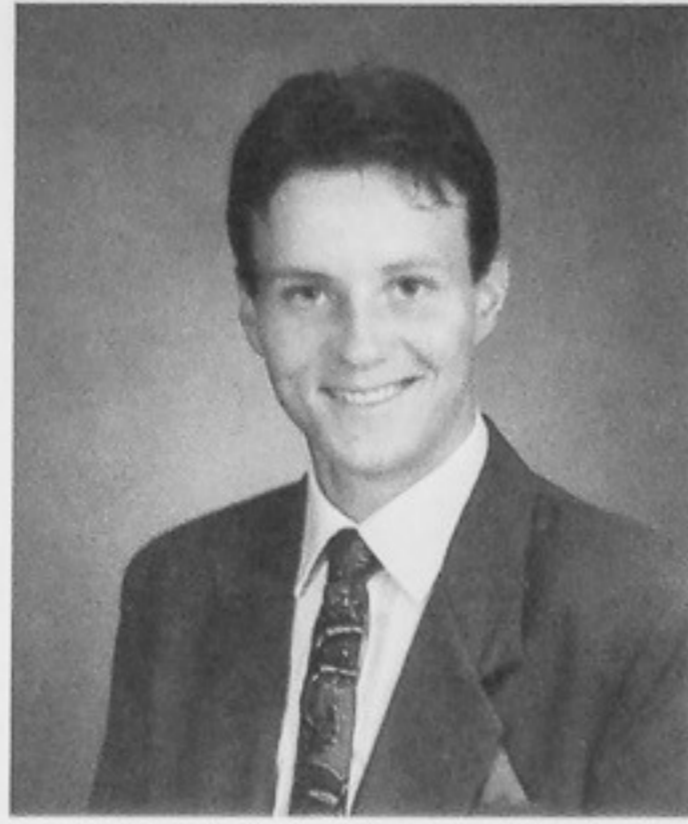
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Thomas Dwane Johnson



Mindy Lynn Crawford



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Jamie Lynn King



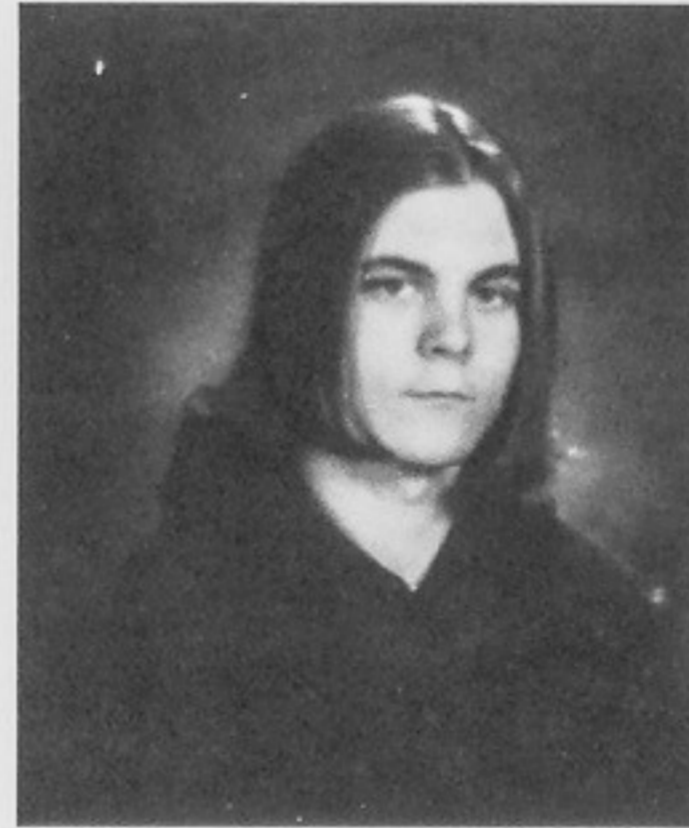
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James D. Meadows



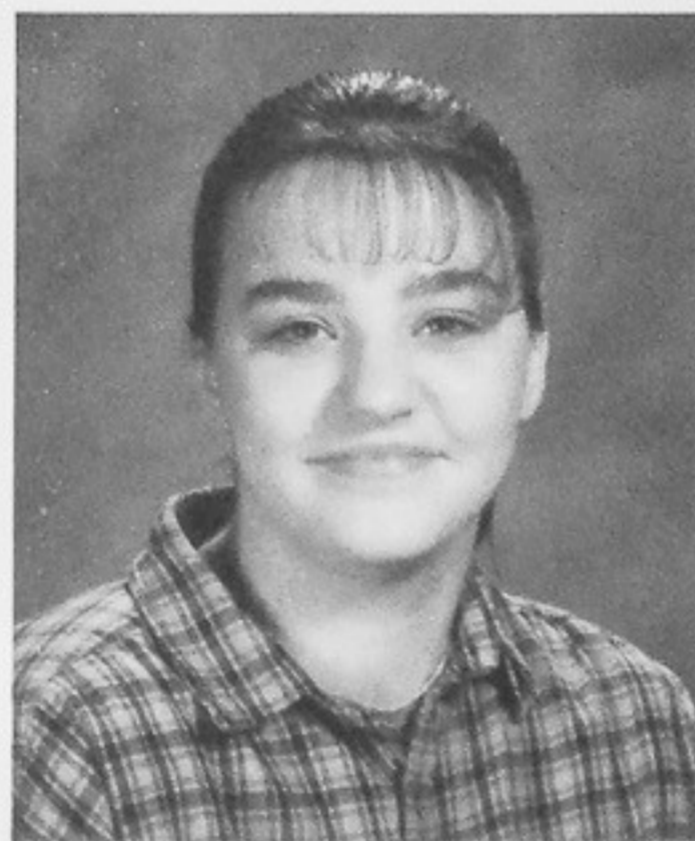
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Lindsay Dianne Miller



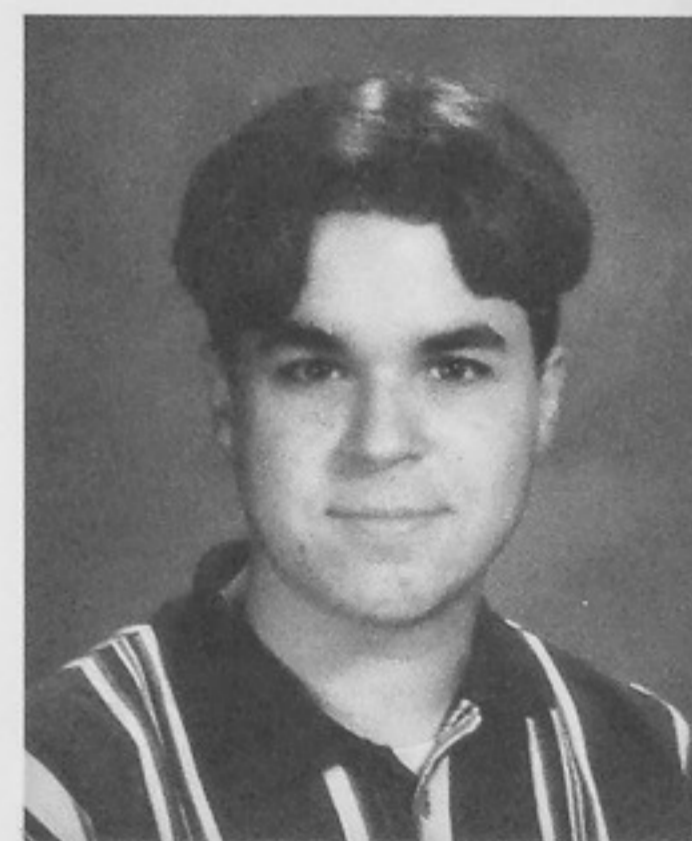
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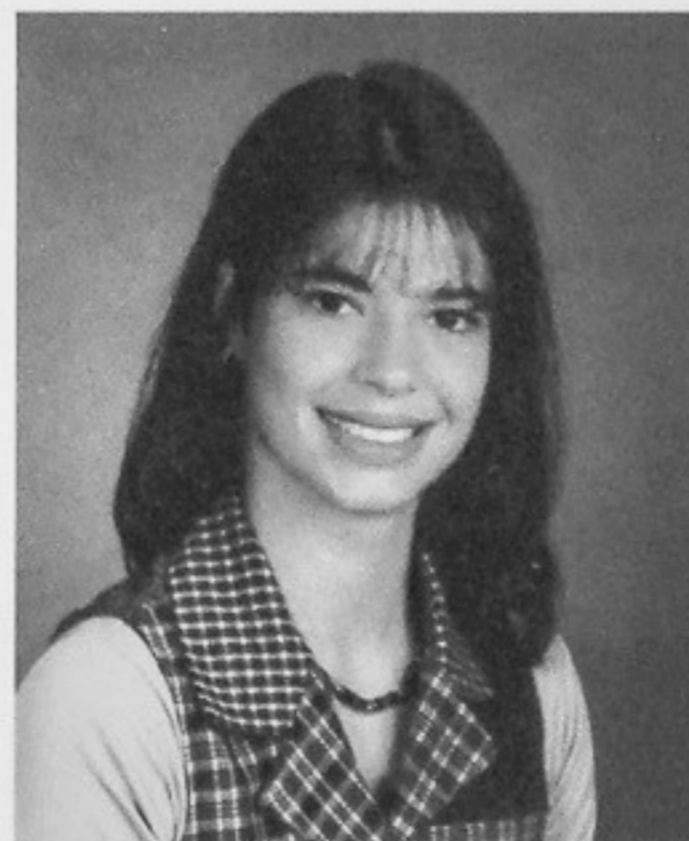
Chad Jerami Monroe



John E. Morris



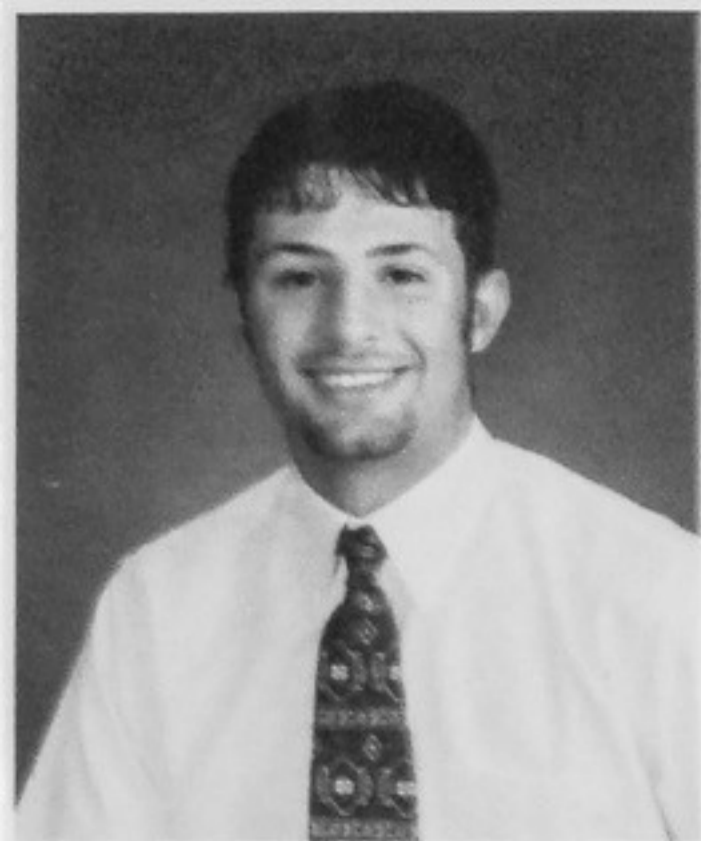
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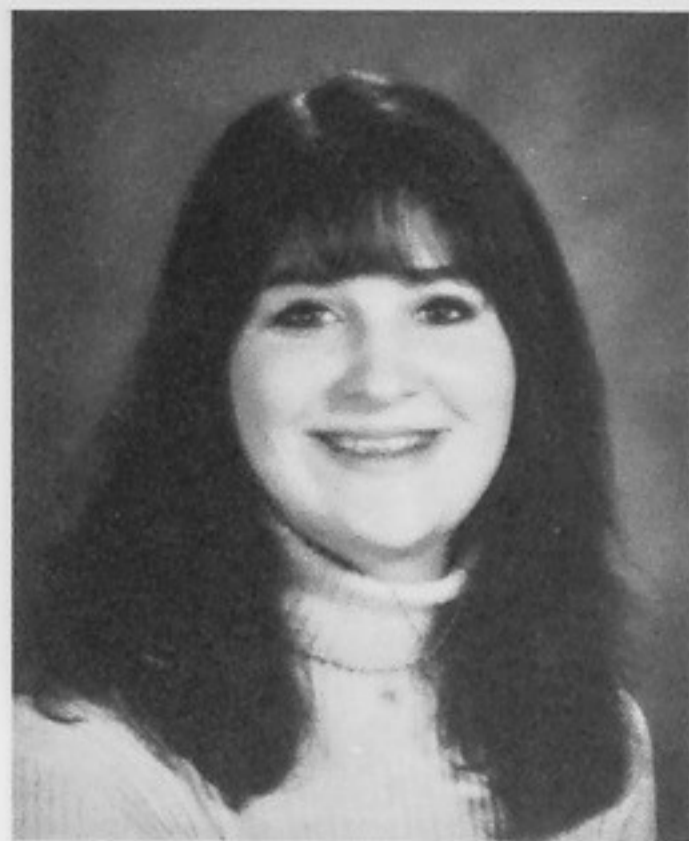
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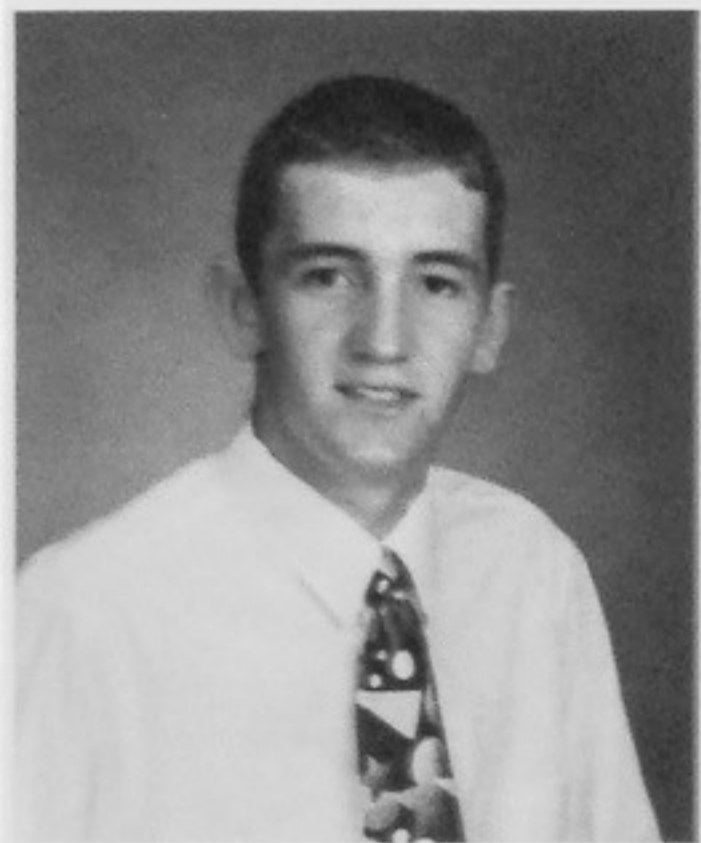
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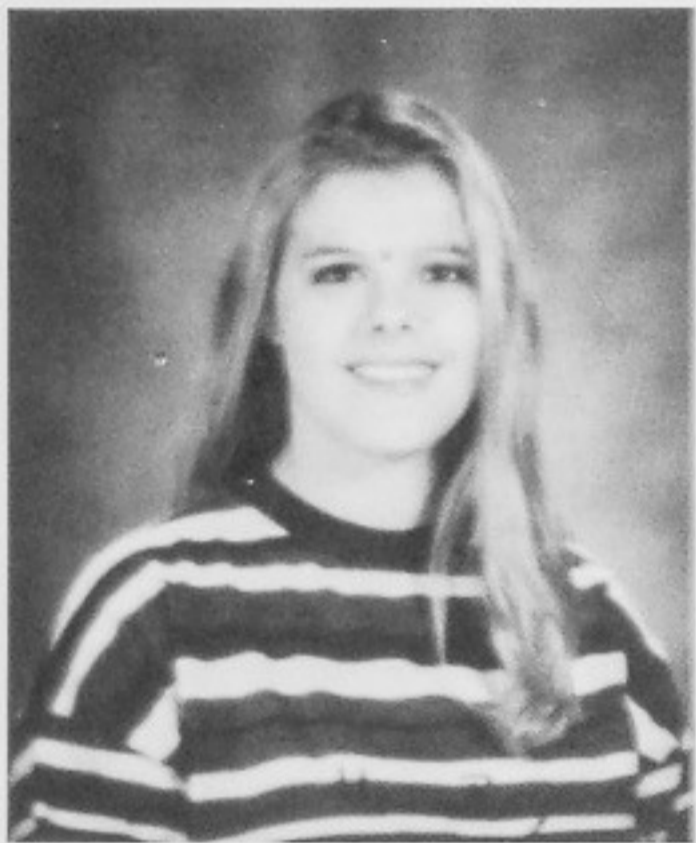
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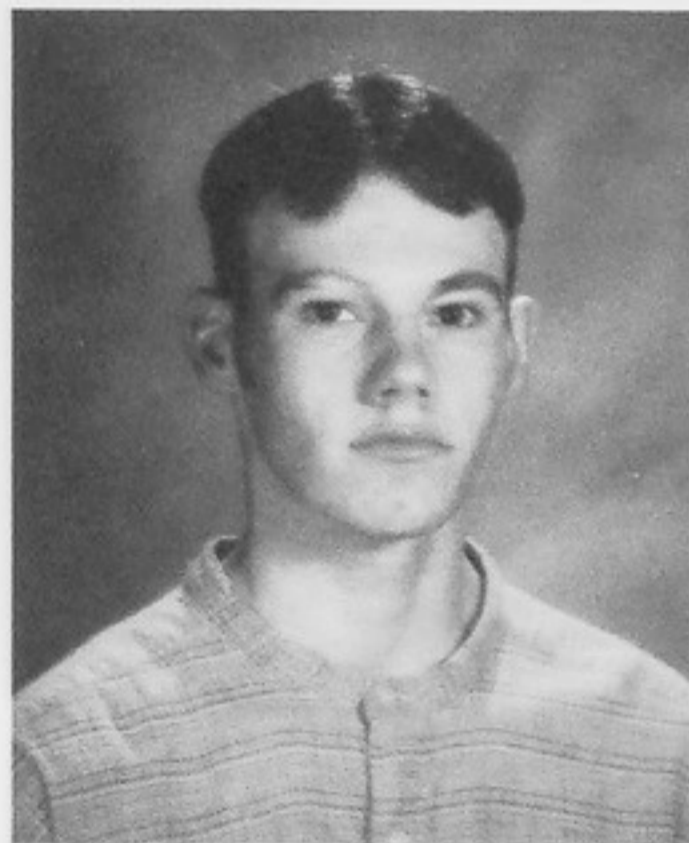
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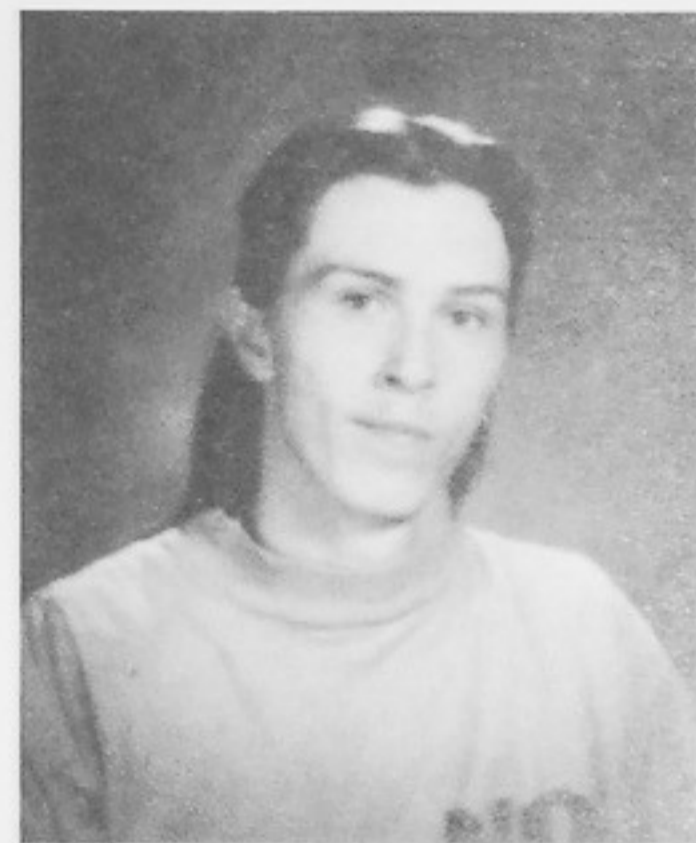
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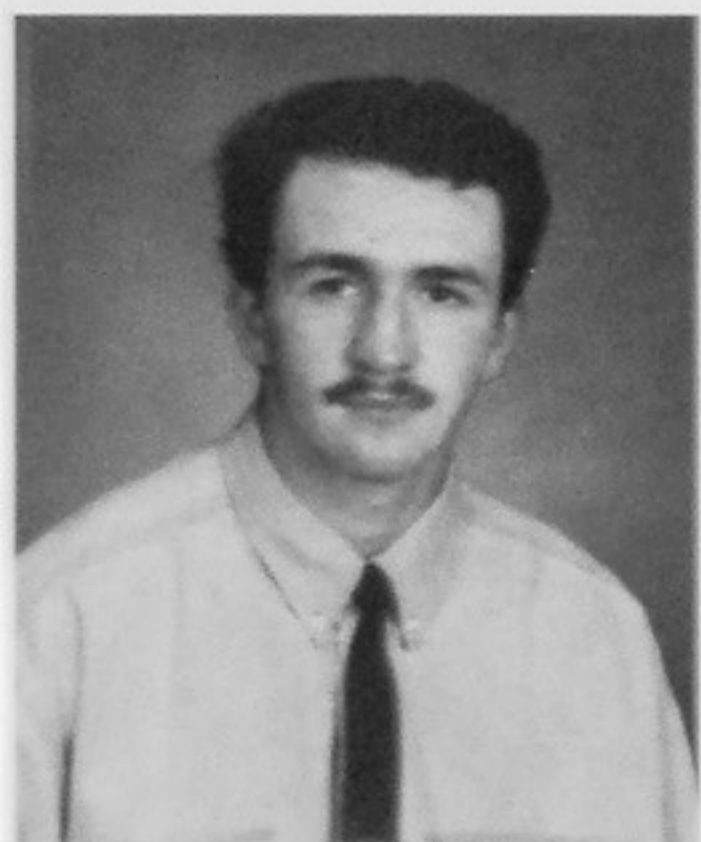
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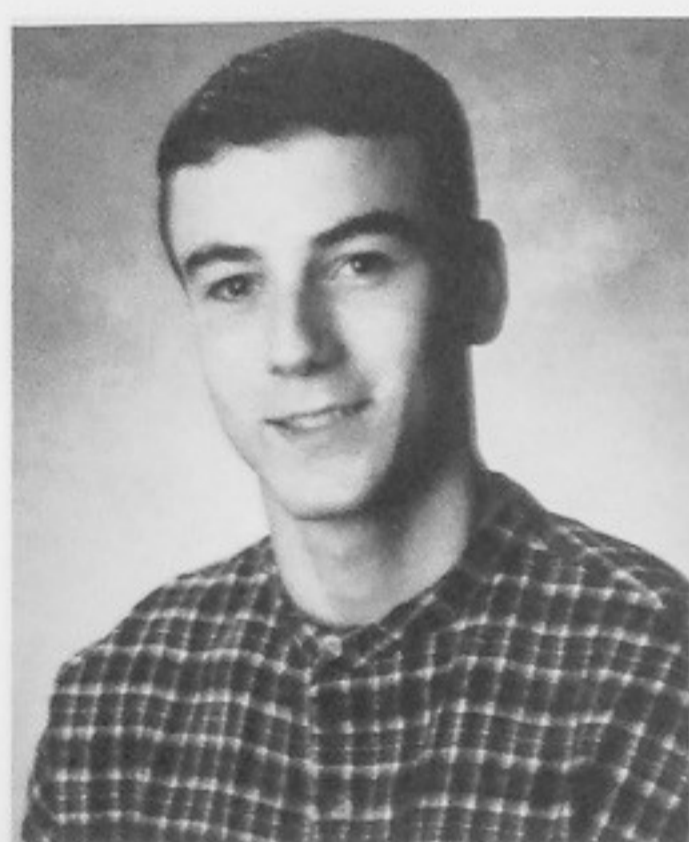
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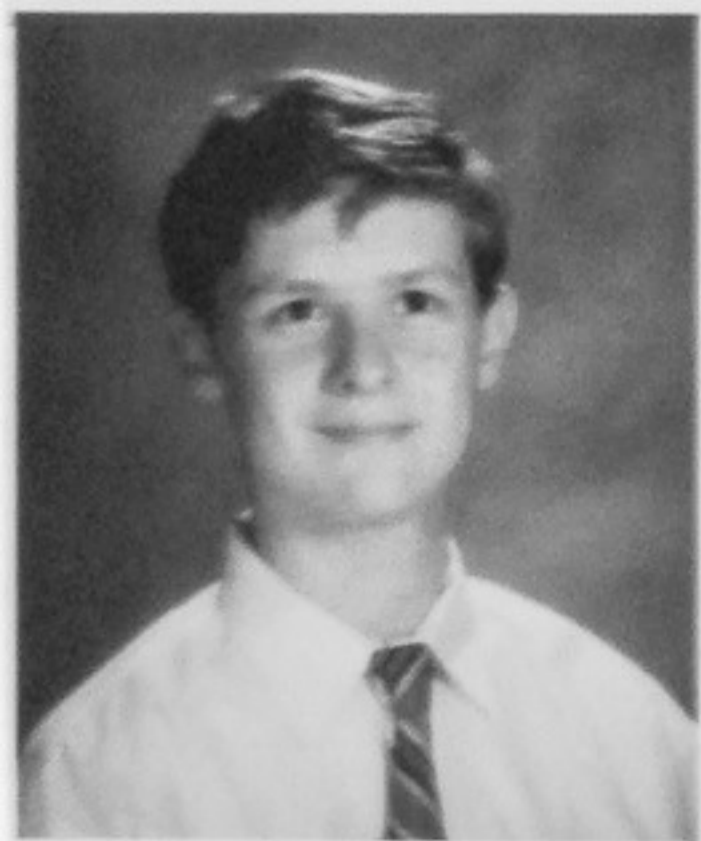
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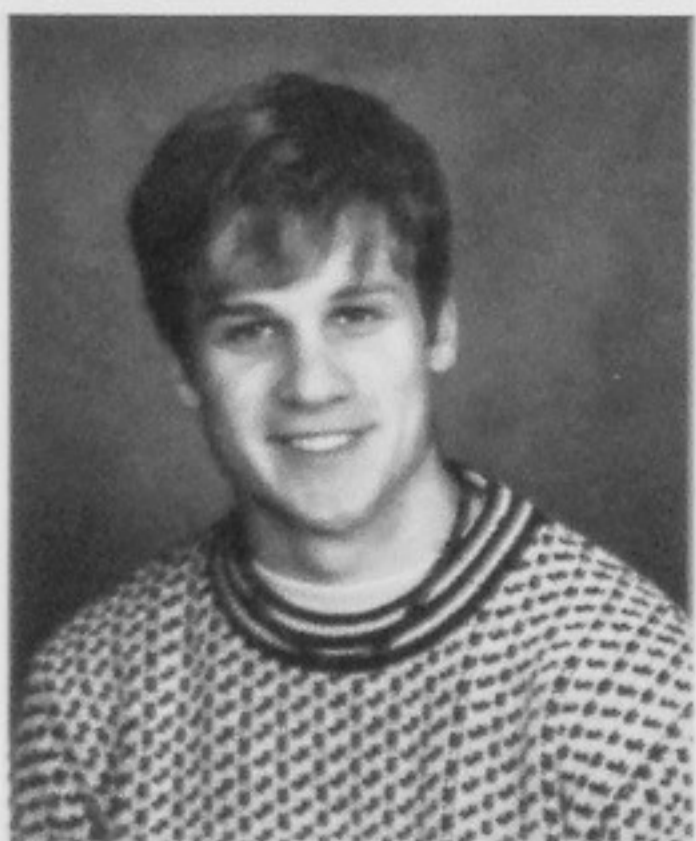
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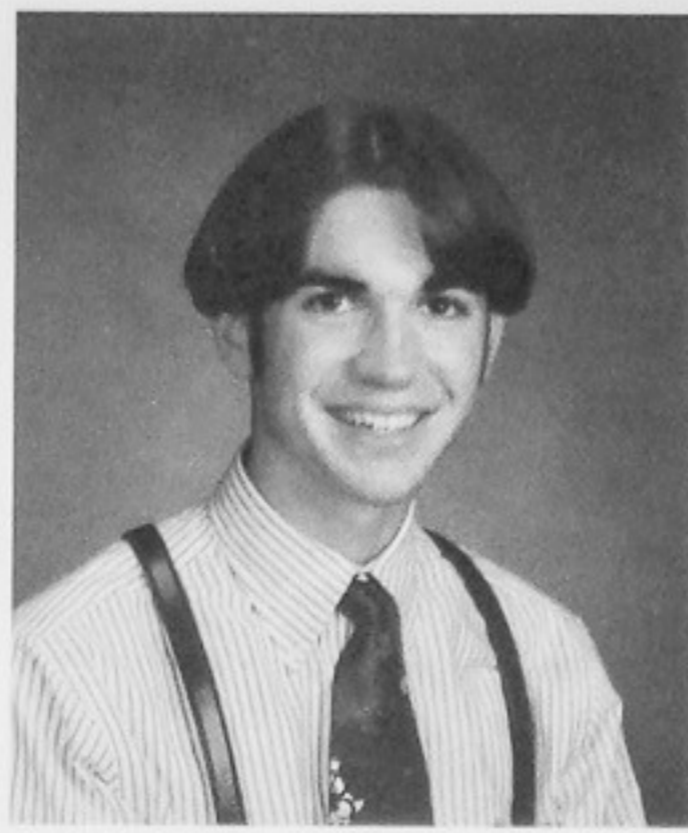
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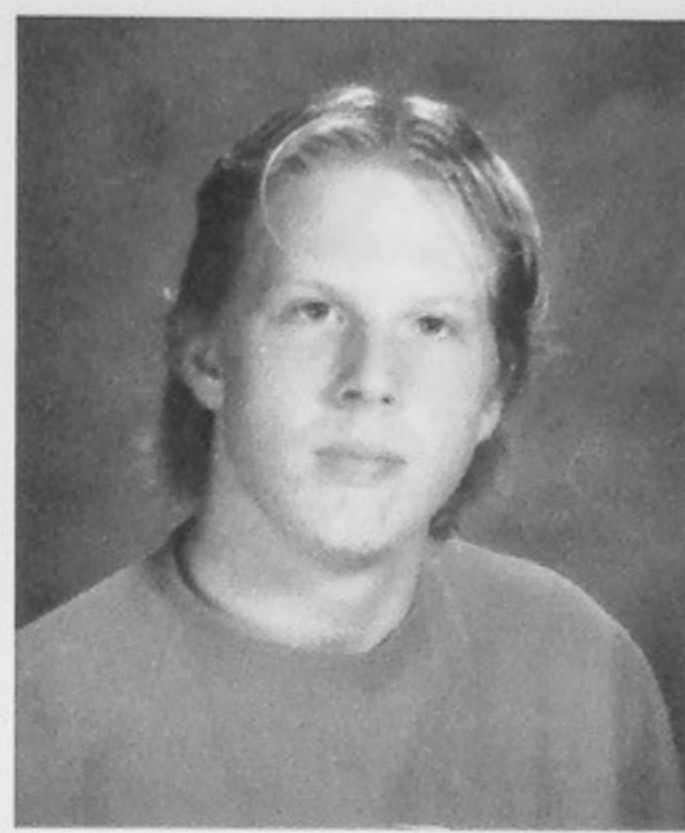
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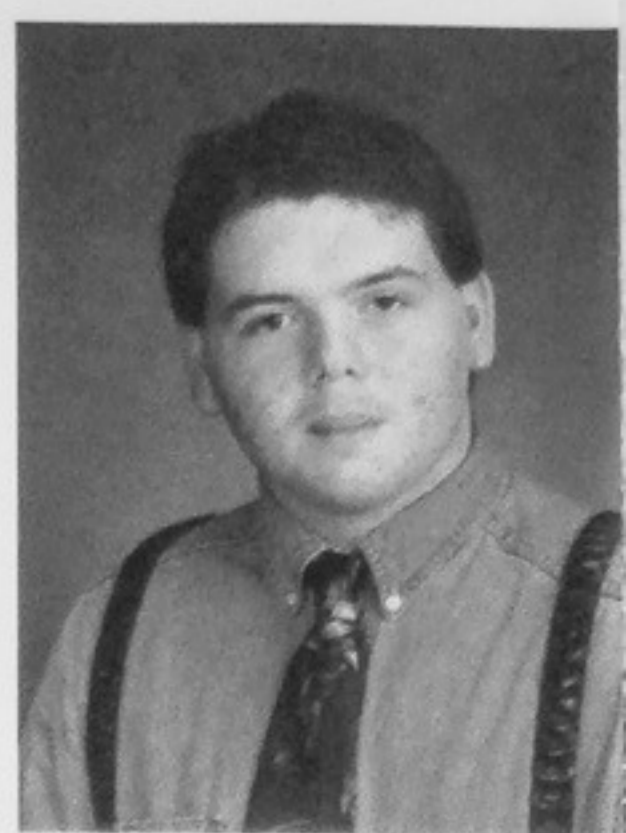
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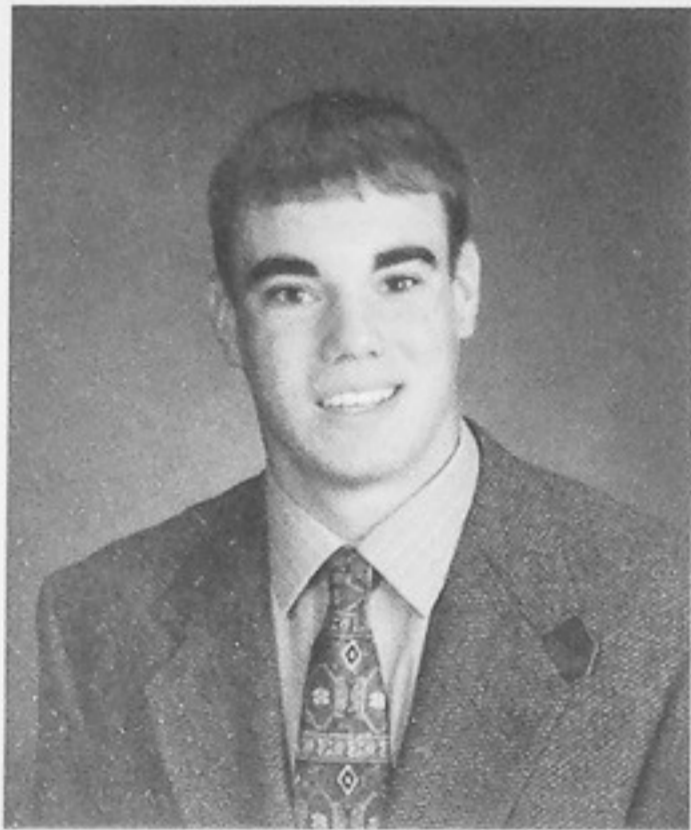
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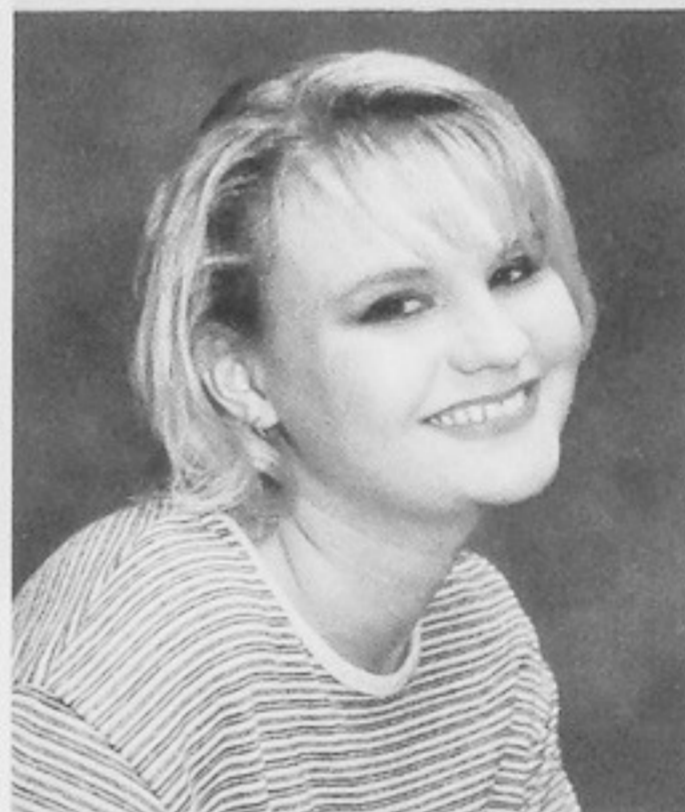
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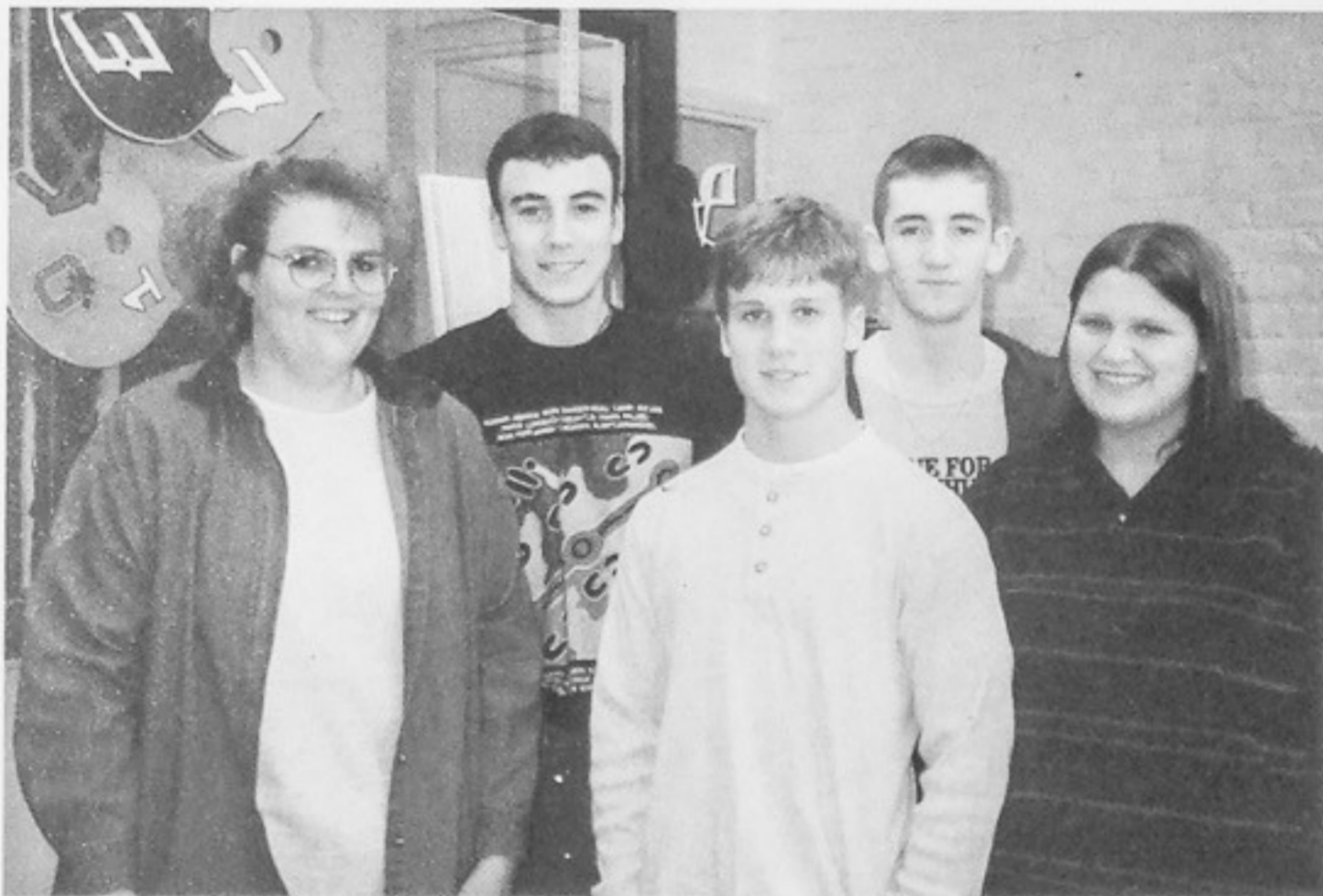
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Brandy Leigh Wright



Judy Cooper, Josh Sherman, Tristan Spinski, Josh Rawlins, and Amanda Wilson are preparing to bring Christmas cheer to a family. These JOGS students helped with many of the activities throughout the year.

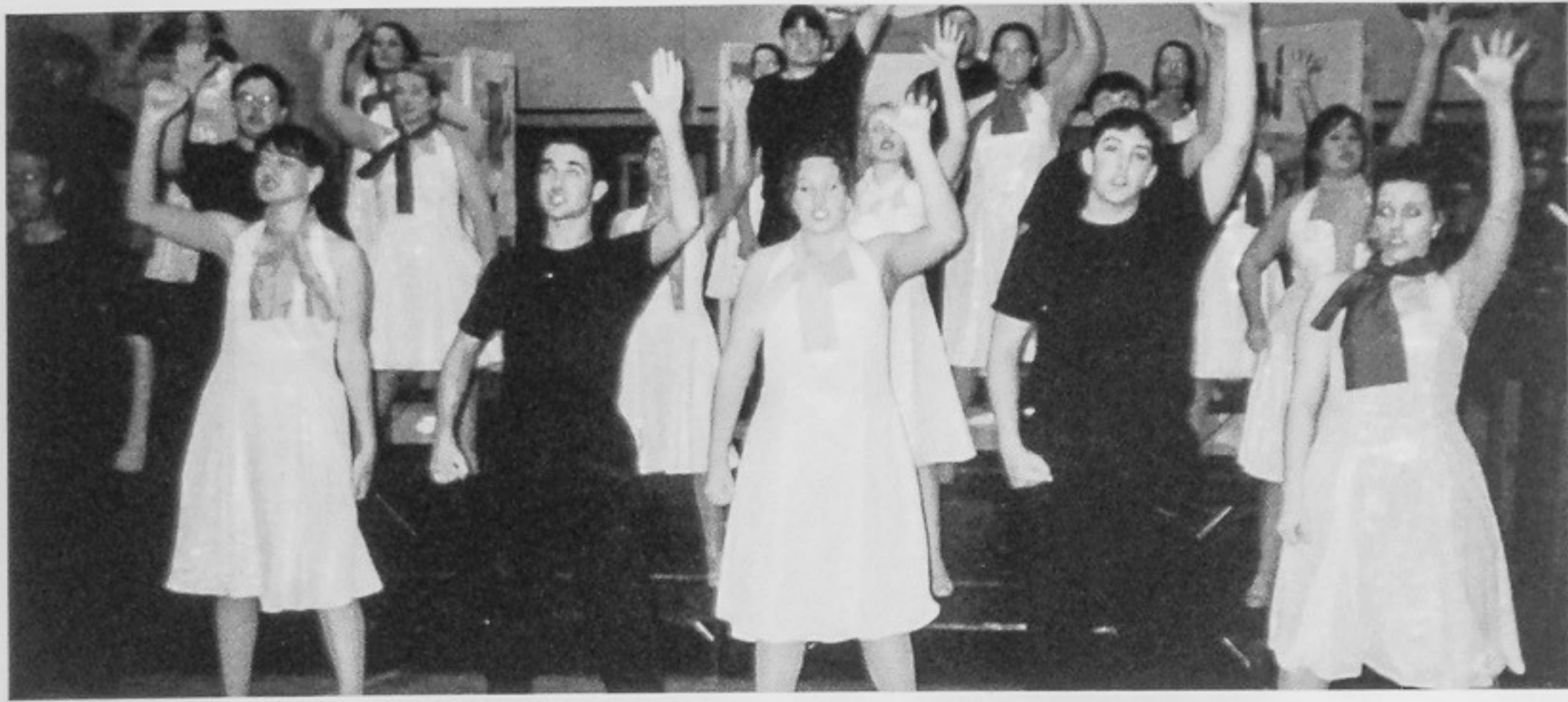


Tracy Jenkins and Jason Smith unload fruit for Madrigals. These two seniors raised money to help with their expenses for the last Madrigal trip to Atlanta.



These two seniors show their happy faces to the photographer. Aimee Forshey and Emily Carter have been friends for many years.

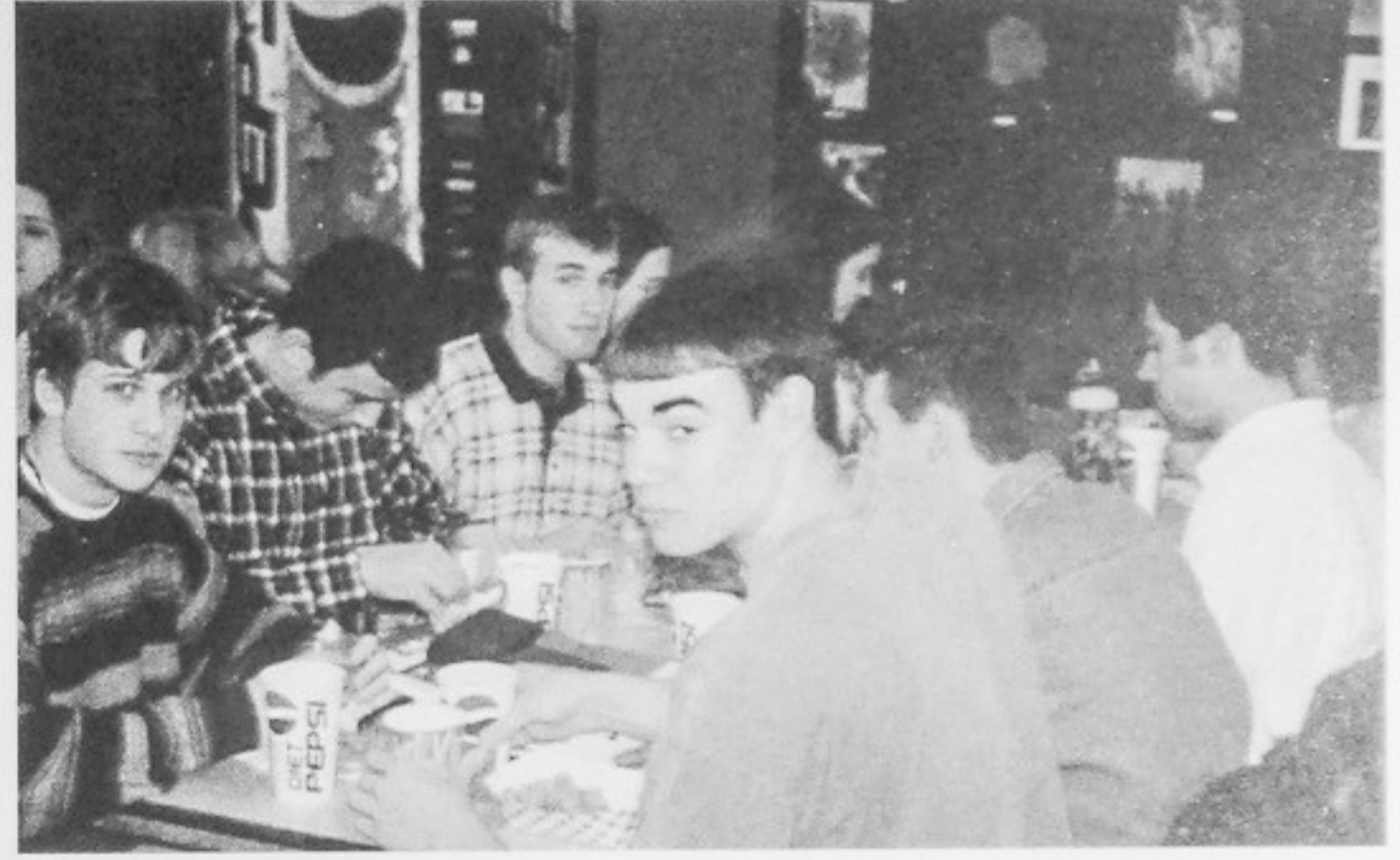




"Chang chang, changity chang, shoo bop, we'll always be together!" The Senior Madrigal members perform for the audience of the 1997 Spring Concert.

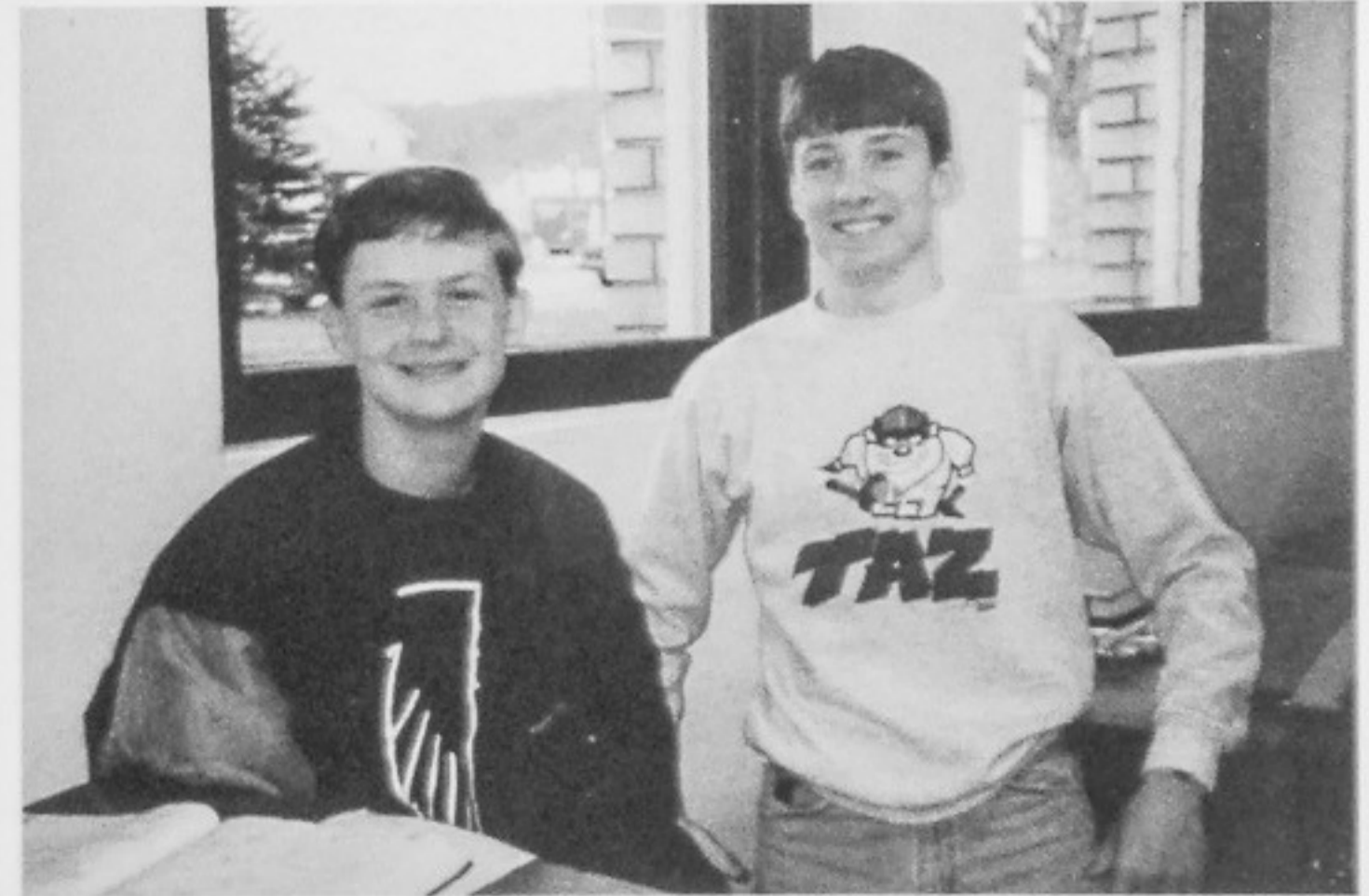
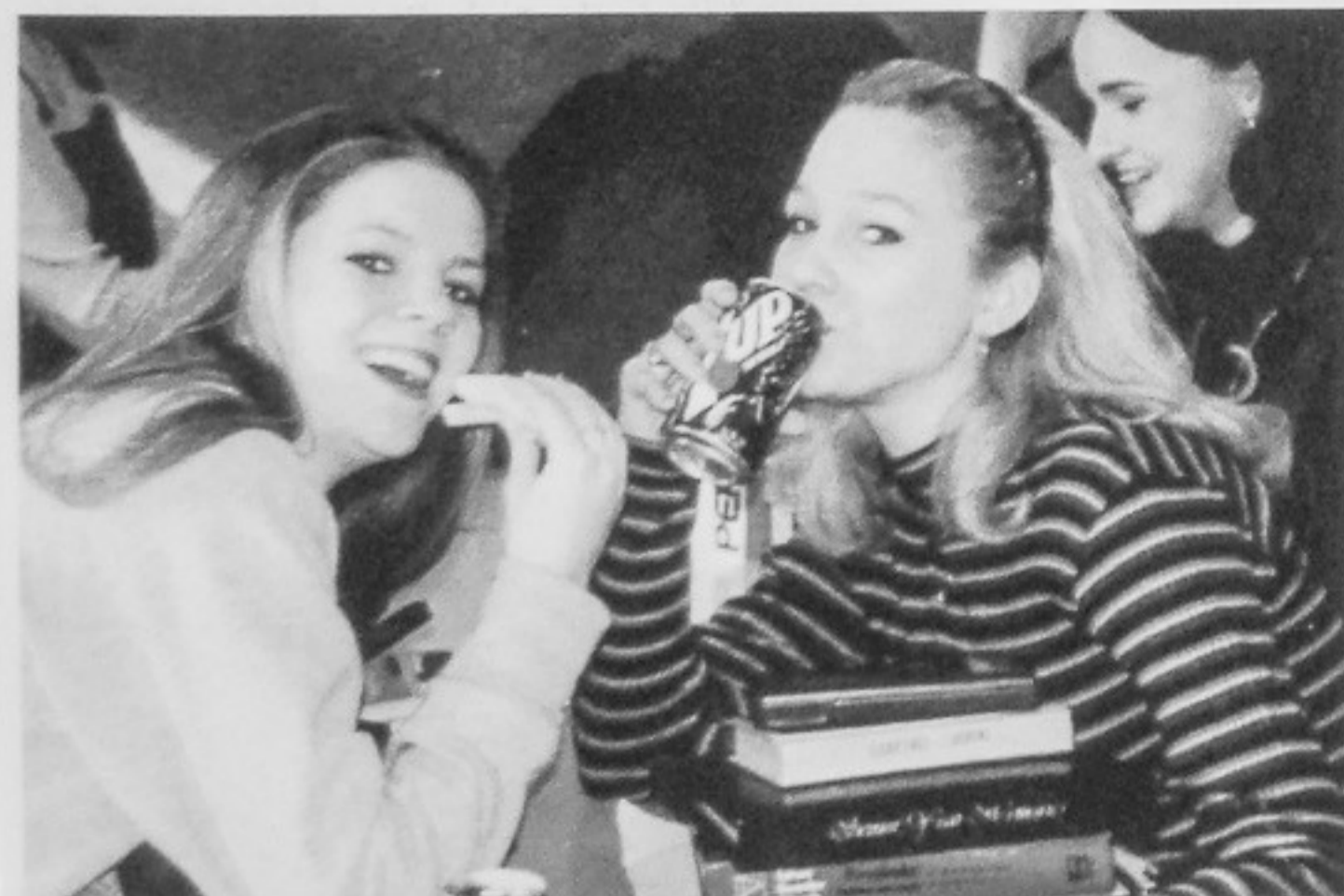
Stacey Schisler, Heather Odle, Angie Stapleton, Tracy Jenkins, and Lindsay Miller take a break from filling balloons with helium for the Senior Night Banquet held in the gymnasium.

The Senior guys chow down on the school lunch while wishing they were at McDonald's. This is the last year they will have to eat at East's cafeteria.



Jason Armes, John Morris, Amanda Wilson, and Jason Smith work on homework while in JOGS class. JOGS participated in several community activities throughout the year.

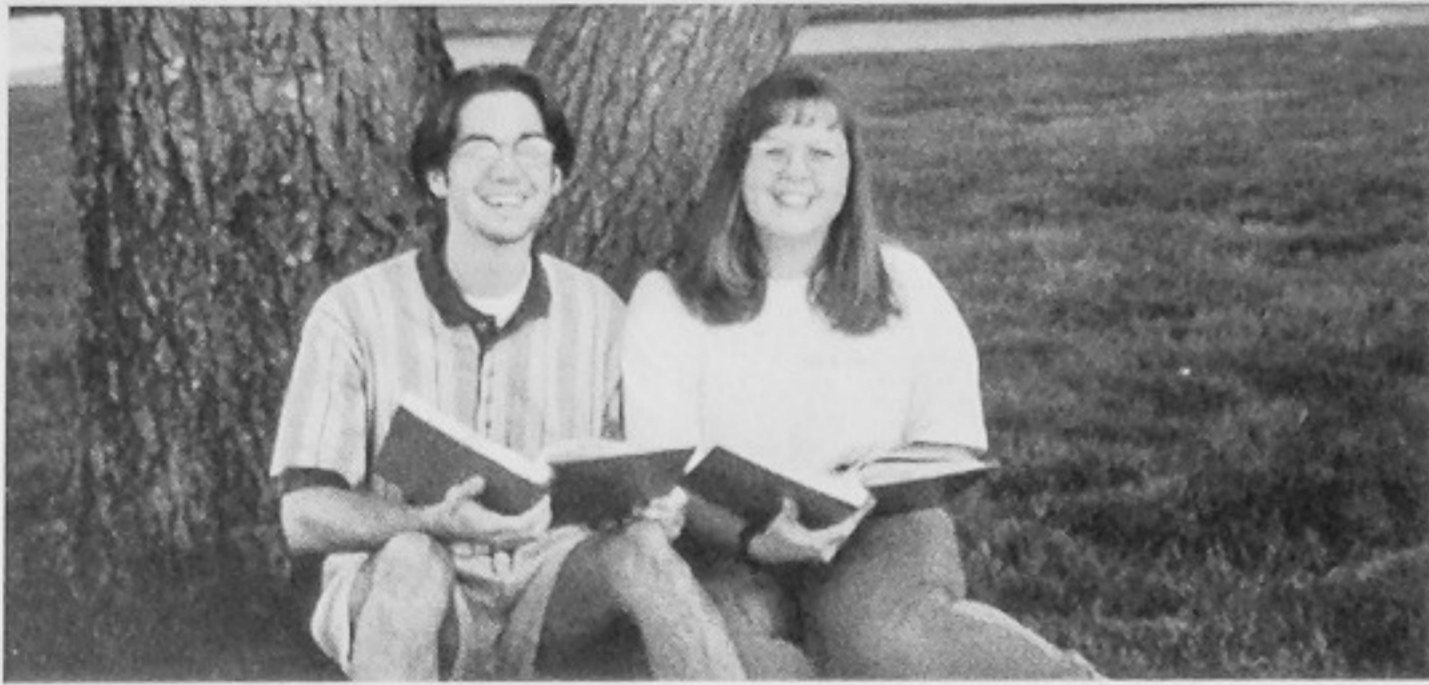
Seniors Mindy Crawford and Angie Stapleton prepare to leave yet another day of school only to come back the next, being one day closer to graduating. Seniors looked forward to graduation day all year, until the day it actually happened.



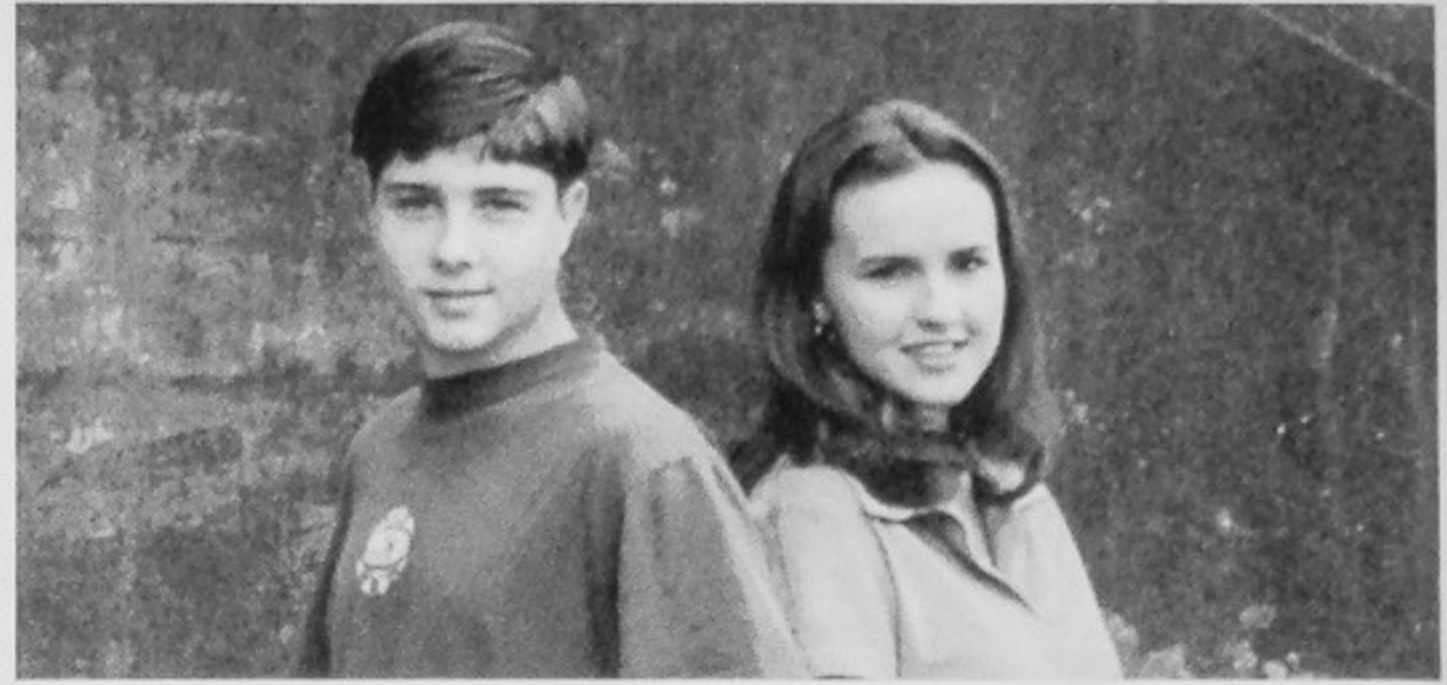
Heather Odle and Lindsay Miller enjoy their lunch together.

Jason Smith and Jason Armes take time for a quick pose for the camera.

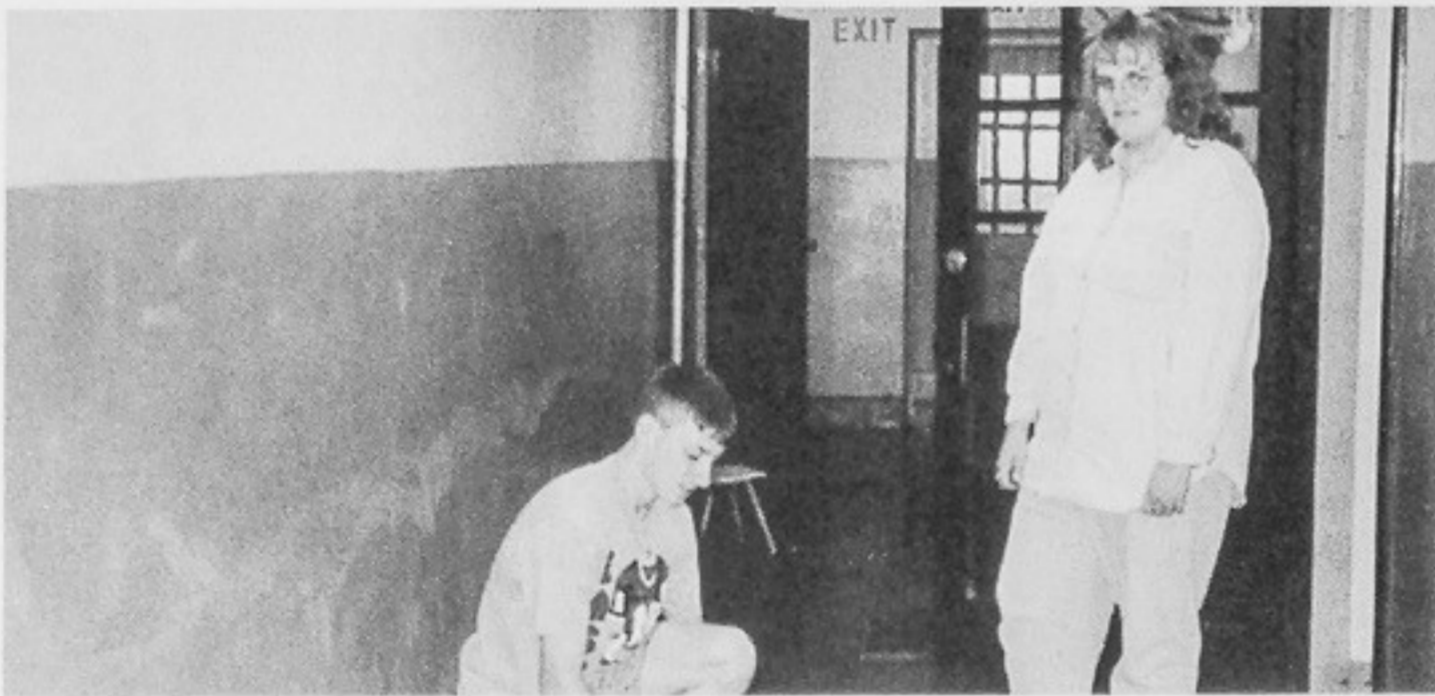
# Senior Favorites



Most Studious — Michael Stapleton and Aimee Forshey



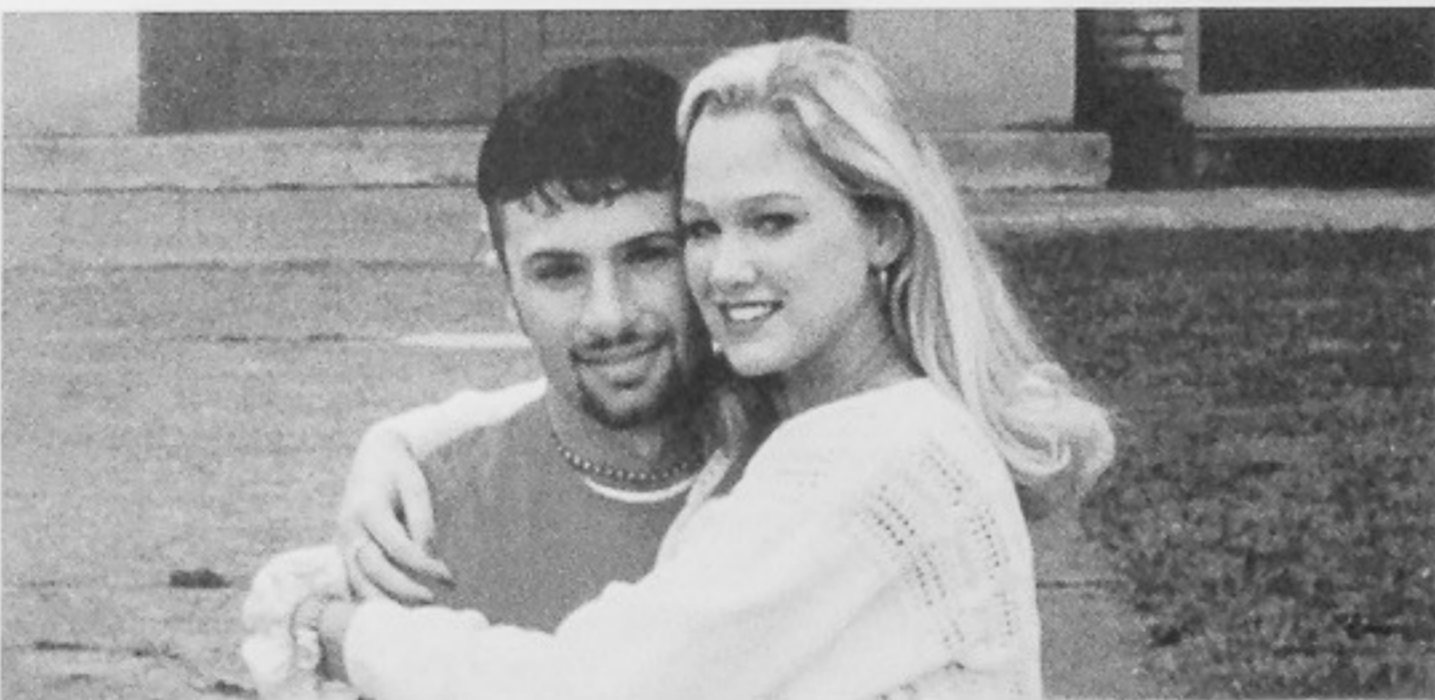
Quietest — Donald McCormick and Tracy Jenkins



Most Helpful — Jason Armes and Judy Cooper



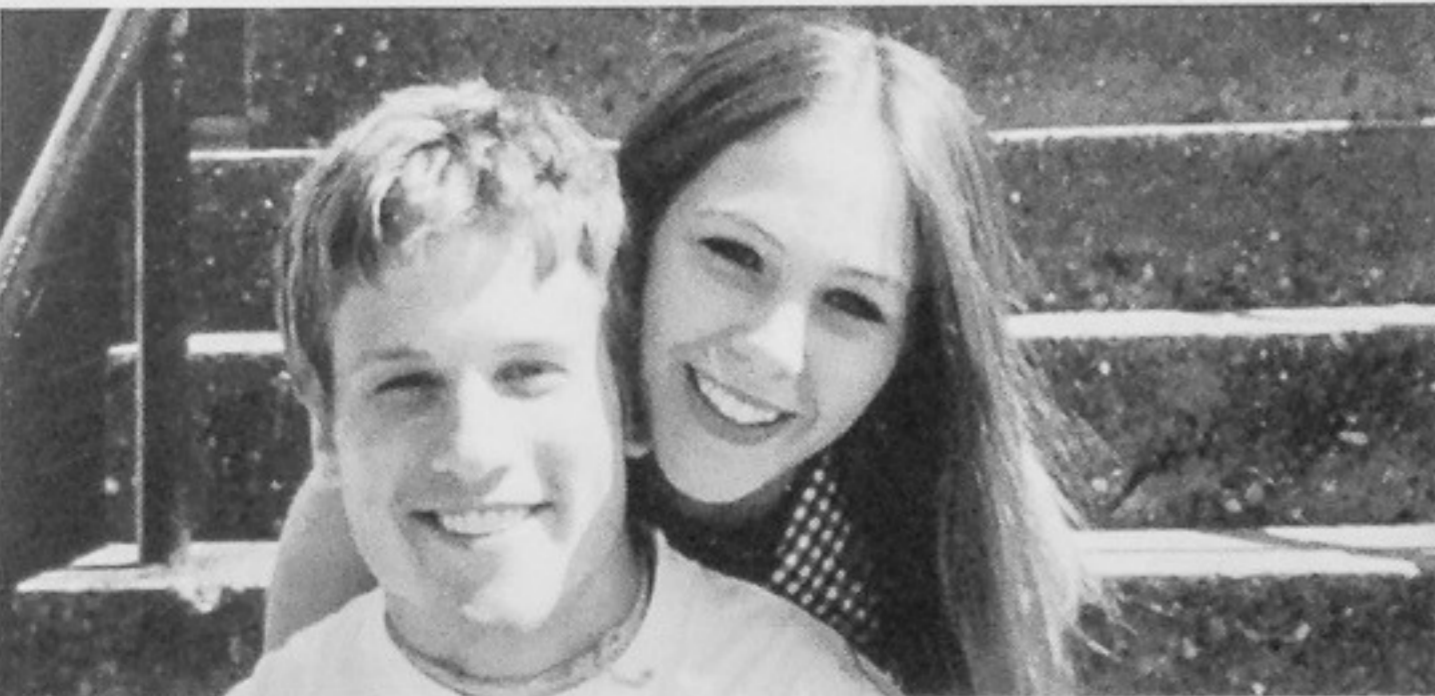
Most Unique — Josh Ramsey and Amanda Wilson



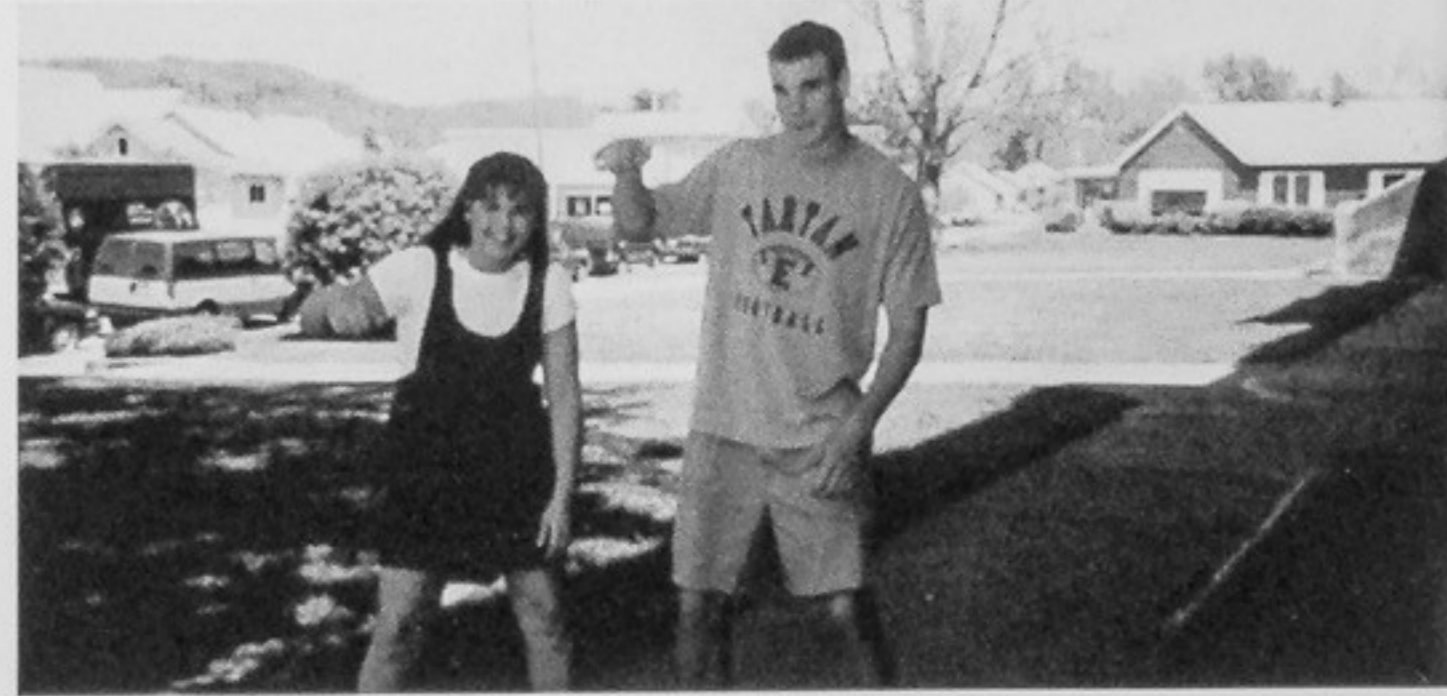
Class Flirts — Dustin Paxson and Lindsay Miller



Best Personality — Josh Rawlins and Stacey Schisler



Best Smile — Tristan Spinski and Angie Stapleton



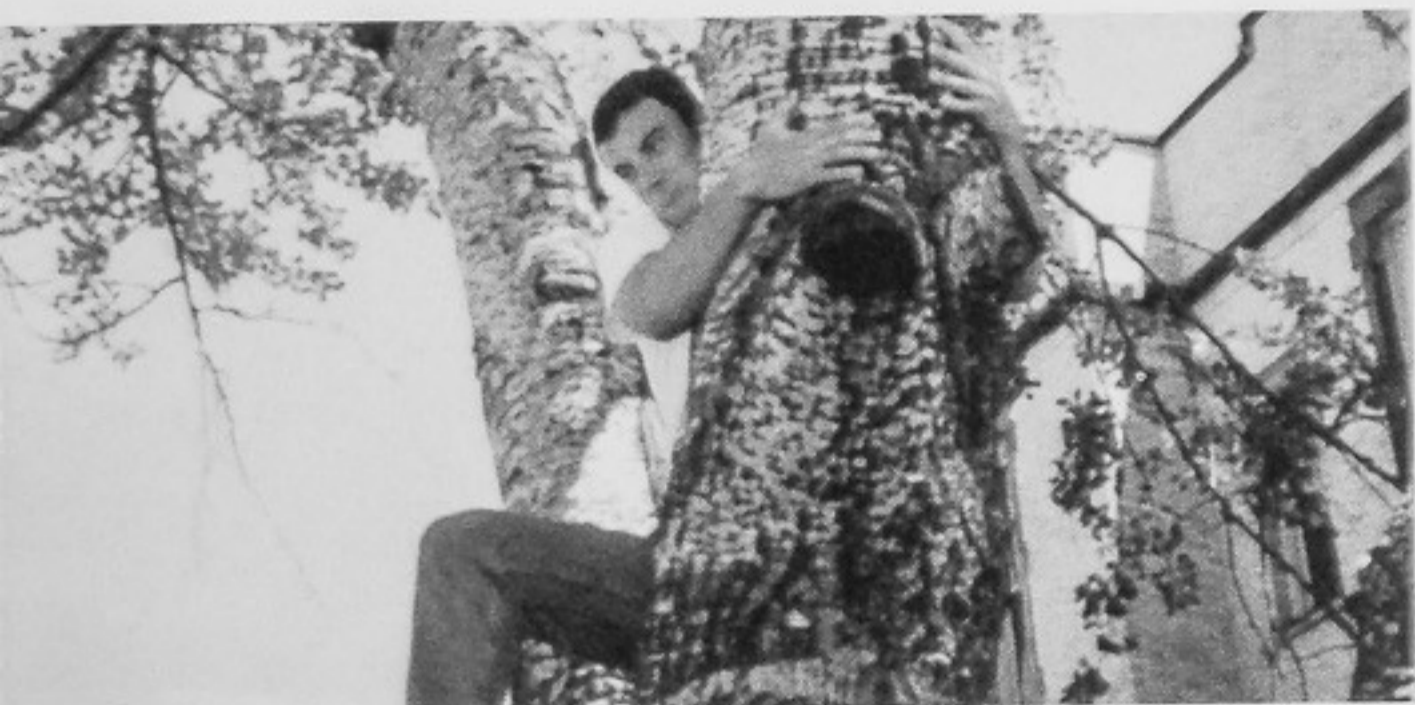
Best Dancers — Mindy Crawford and Bill Walburn



Most Outgoing — Tristan Spinski and Stacey Schisler



Most Likely To Become Famous — Kate Brown and Chad Monroe



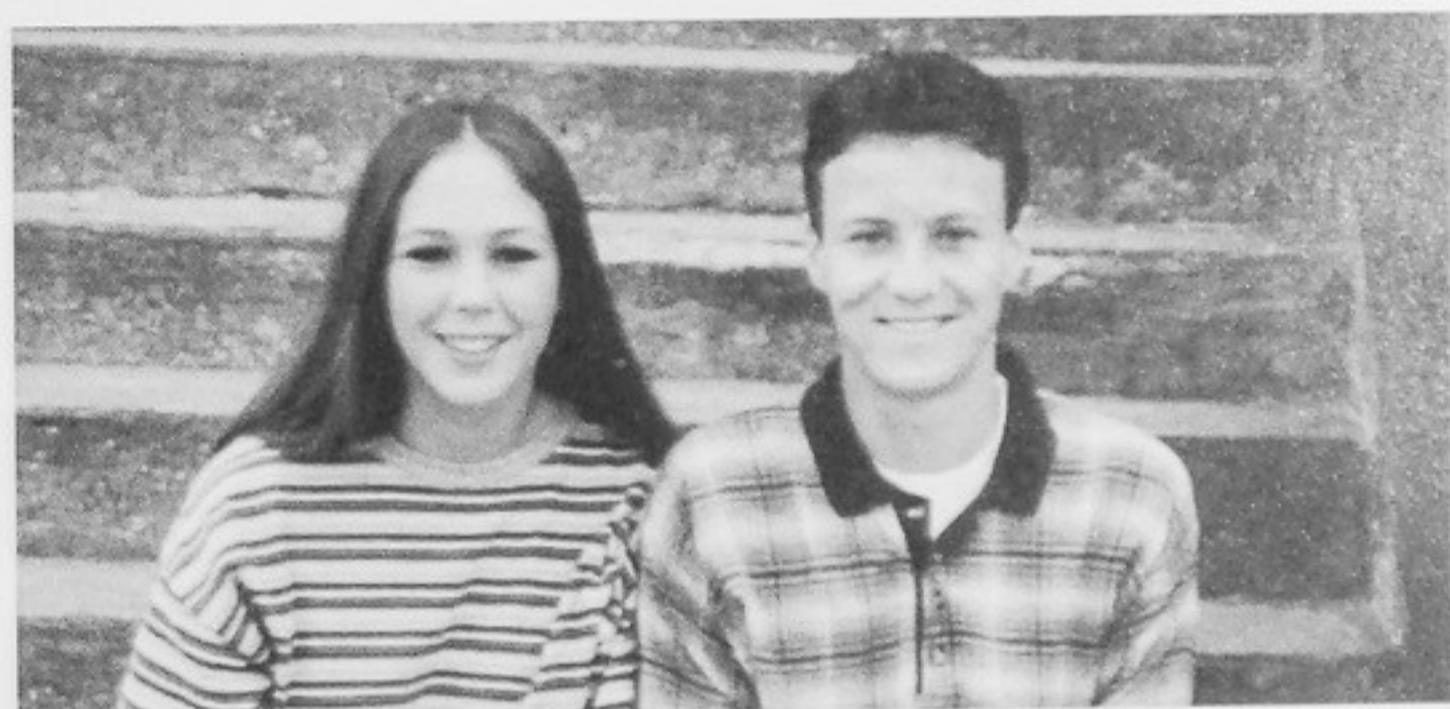
Class Clown — Josh Sherman and Mindy Crawford (not pictured)



Most Courteous — Tracy Jenkins and Matt Justice



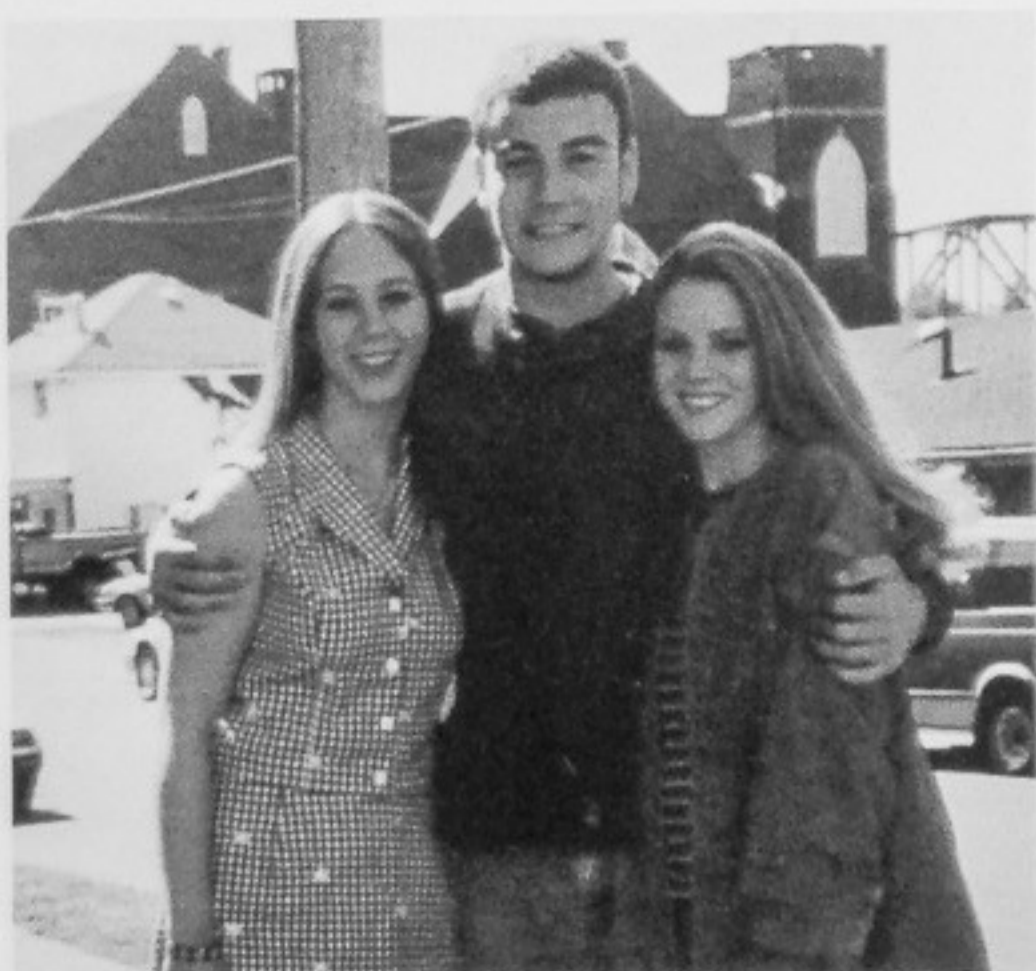
Most Likely To Succeed — Heather Odle and Tristan Spinski



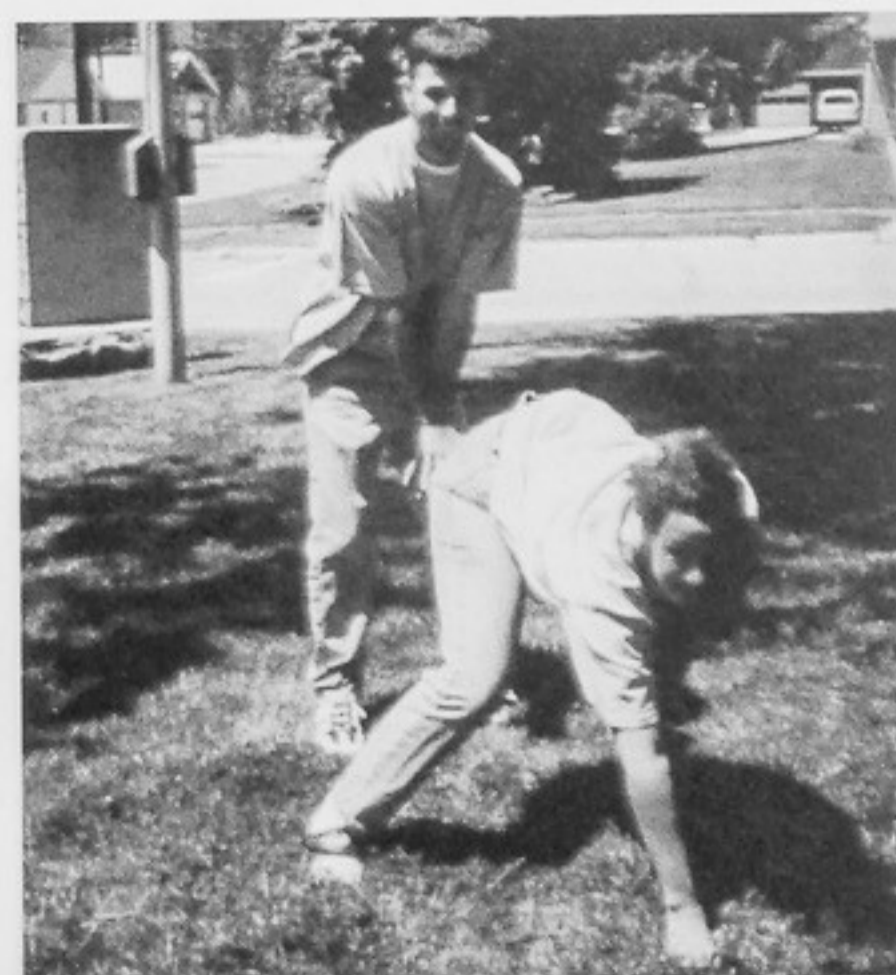
Most Gullible — Angie Stapleton and Matt Justice



Best Dressed — Michael Stapleton and Stacey Schisler

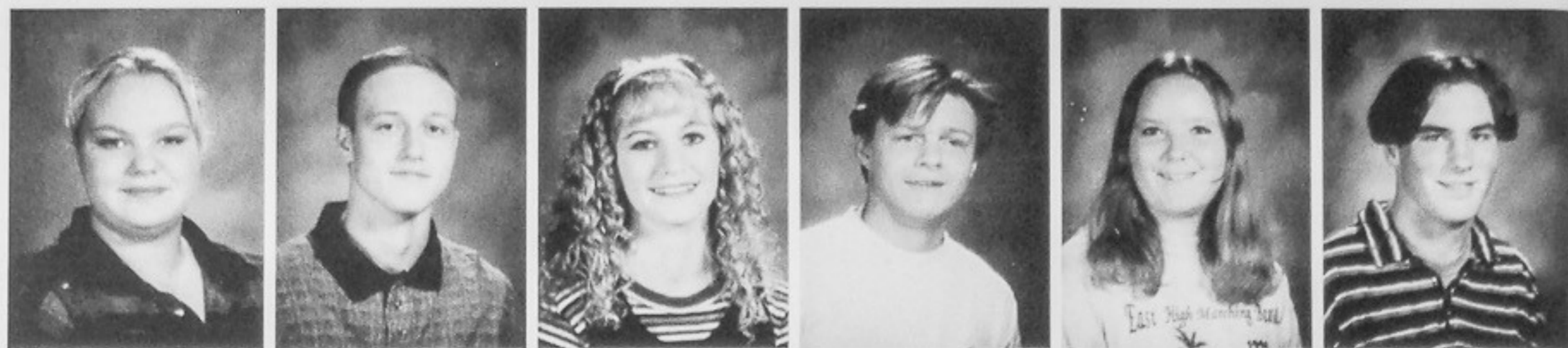


Best Friends — Angie Stapleton, Josh Sherman, and Heather Odle

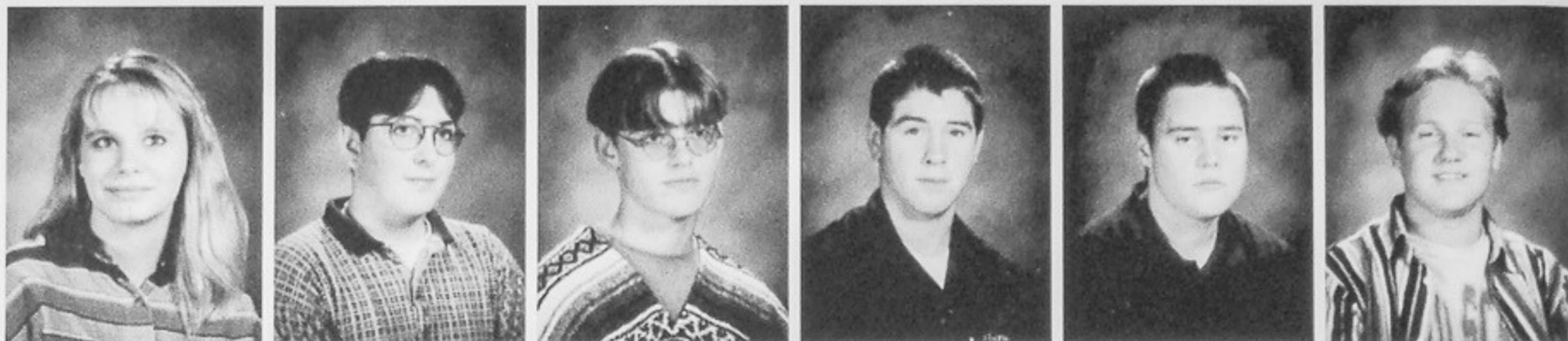


Most Athletic — Dustin Paxson and Tina Cantrell

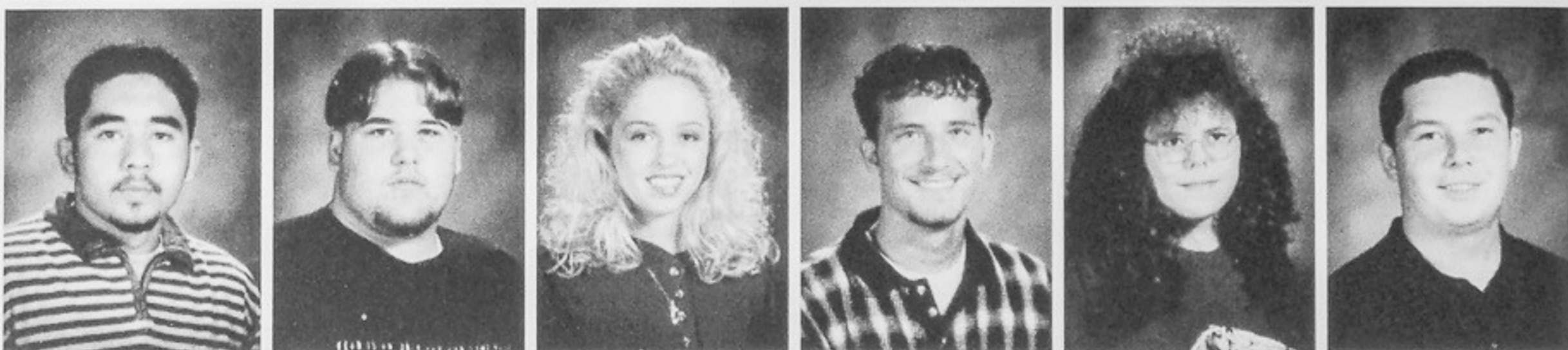
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 Jessica Caldwell  
 Craig Chamberlin



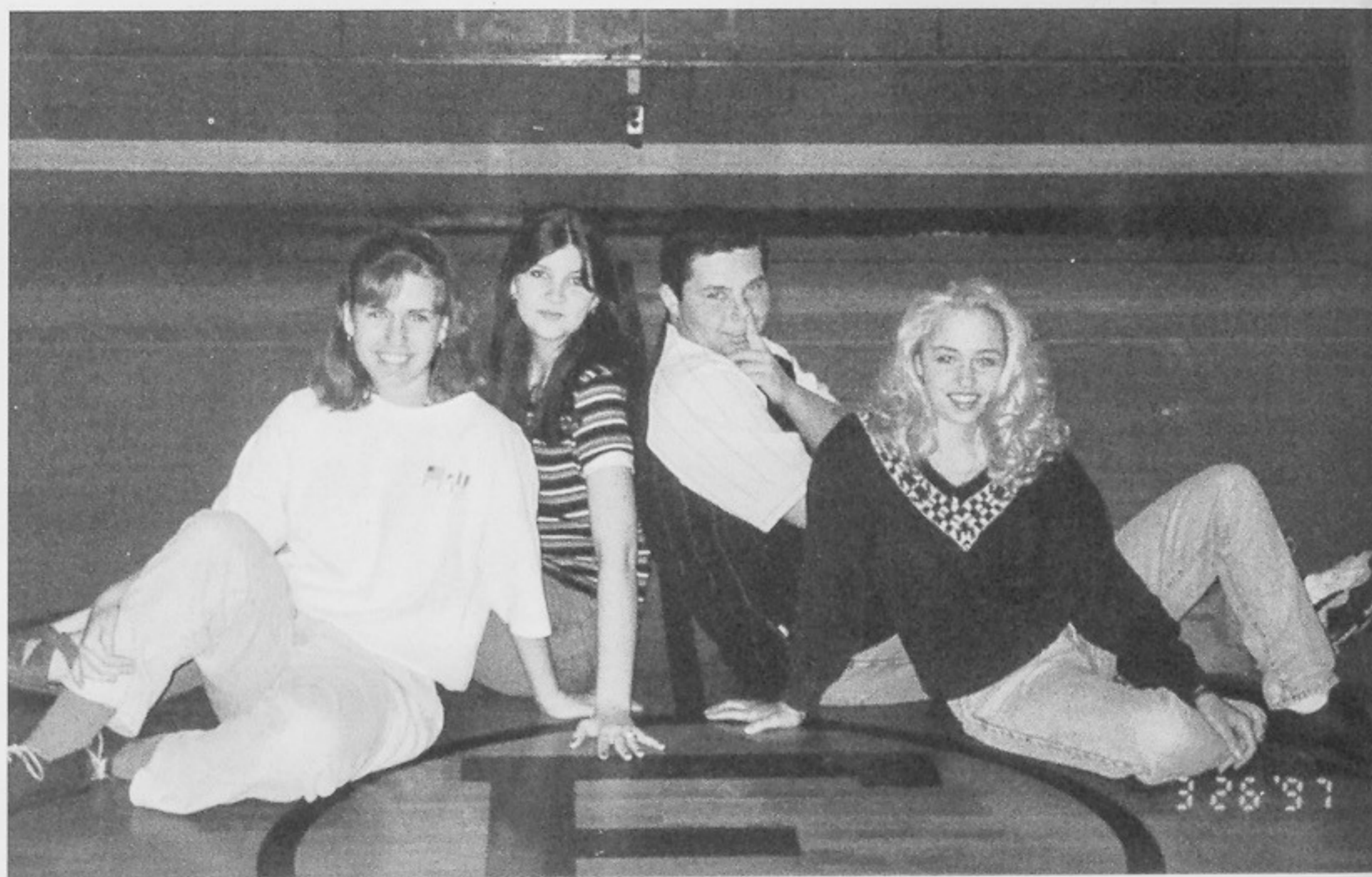
Brandy Clay  
 Mike Collins  
 Chris Craft  
 Jeff Craig  
 Brett Davis  
 Ivan Dunham



Charlie Everhart  
 Joe Flannery  
 Katie Gee  
 Todd Gilliland  
 Krystal Hall  
 Matt Hammer



Class Officers: Jessica Rose-Vice-President, Stacy Haywood-Treasurer, Matt Hammer-President, Katie Gee-Secretary



## *Back to the Future...*

As freshmen, we walked the hallways of East High School each day with the excitement of the new adventures that awaited us.

As sophomores, we won-

dered if we would ever make it through.

And this year, as juniors, we gained the power and superiority we had awaited forever, and we realized graduation

was not far away.

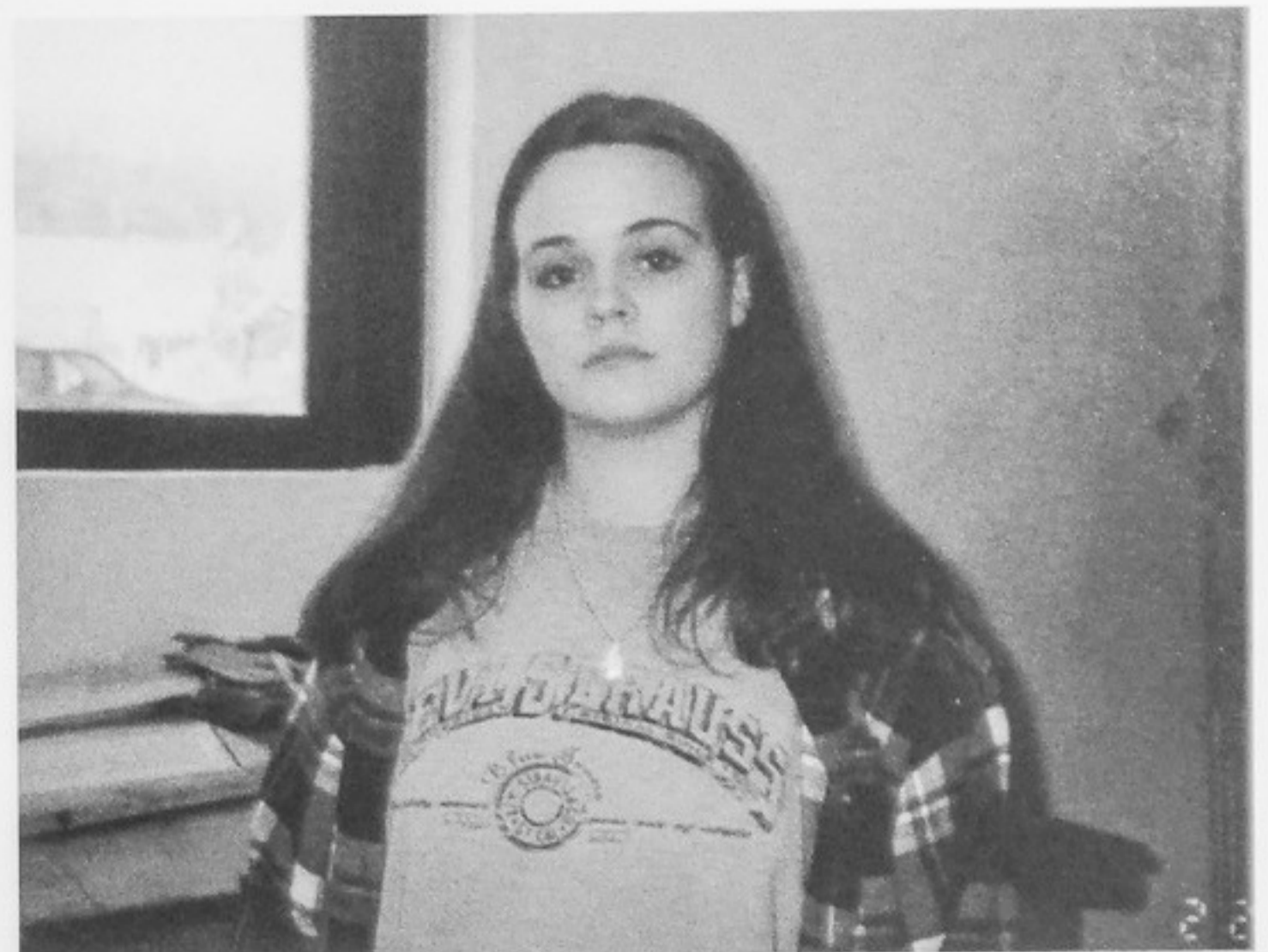
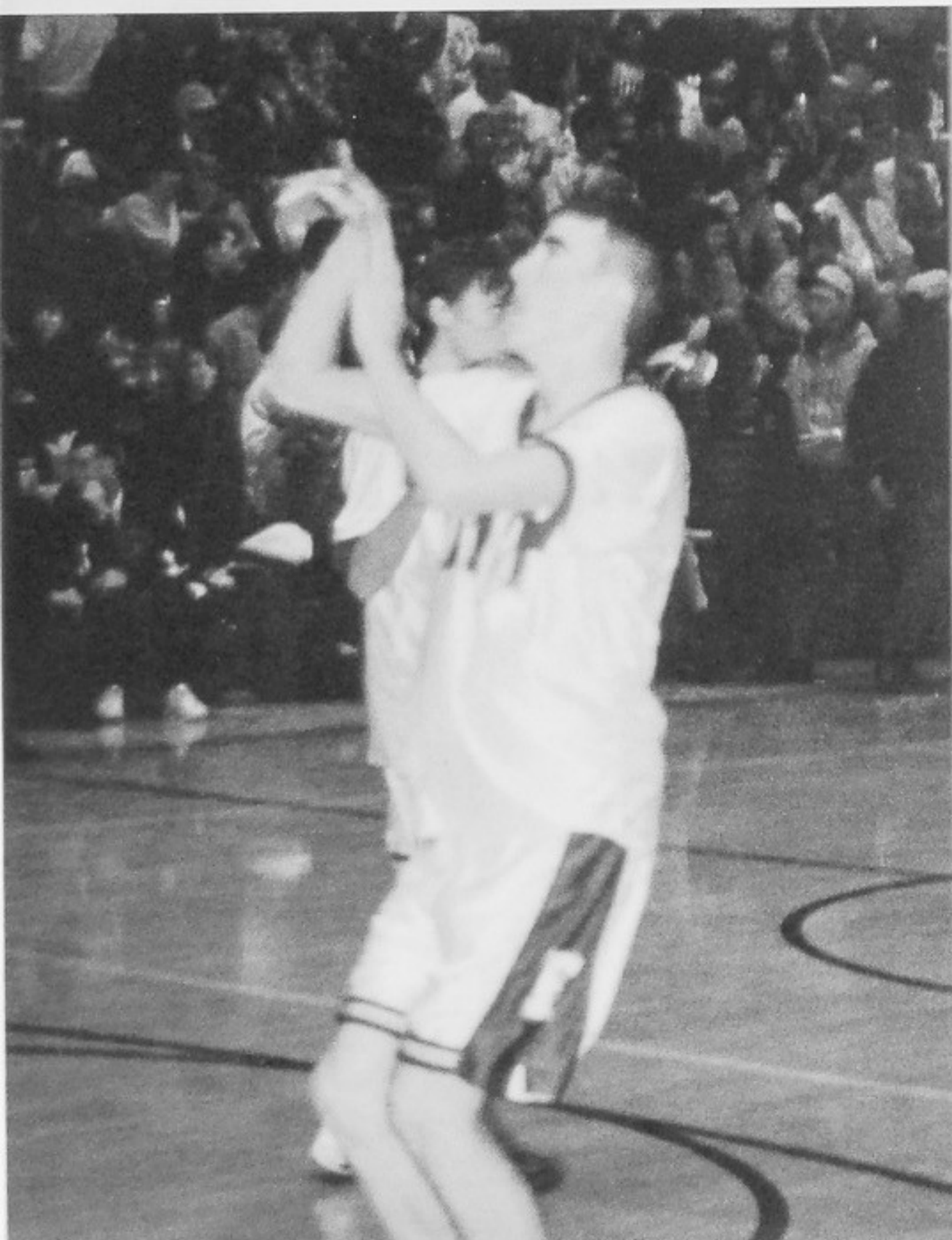
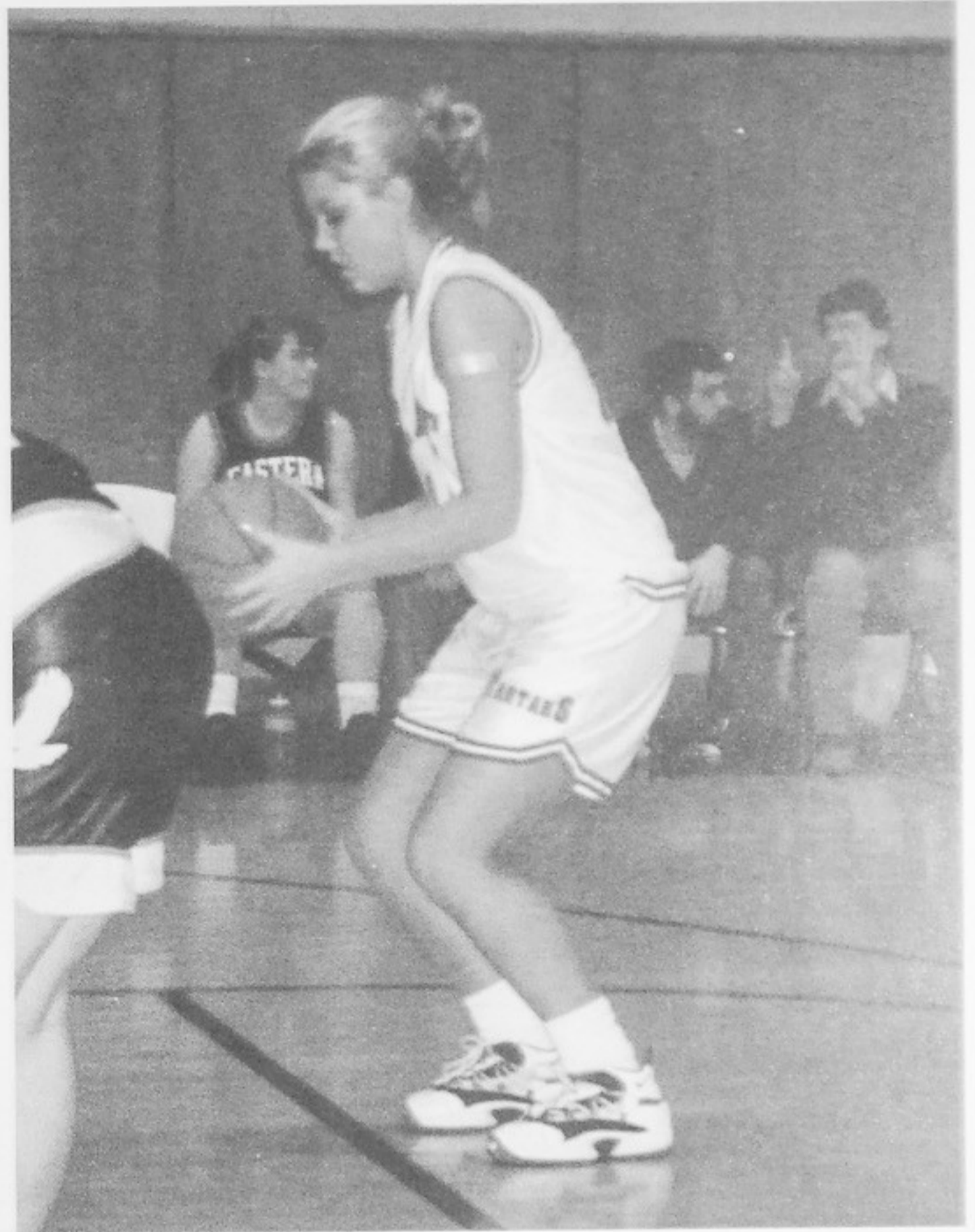
As the time during our junior year ticked by, we made the most of our friendships, took pride in our sports, danced away our first prom, and

shared priceless laughs we would never forget. Through it all, we remained strong, and next year we'll get "Back to the Future" that lies ahead.



Pretending to be Superman, Matt Hammer smiles as he dreams of graduation day and the day he'll get the braces off his legs. Cleaning out the supply closet was more than just an everyday task for this office worker.

Preparing to shoot a foul shot, Amanda Munion concentrates on the ball. Munion served as a forward on the girls' varsity basketball team.

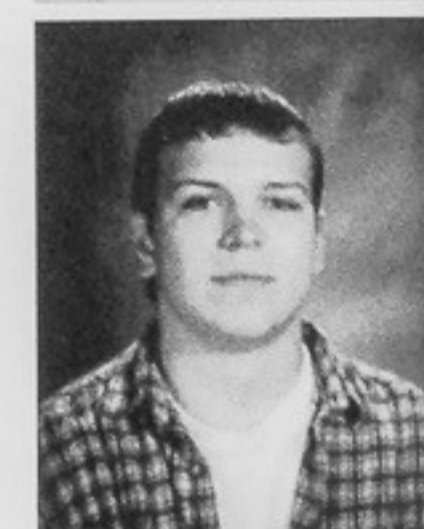
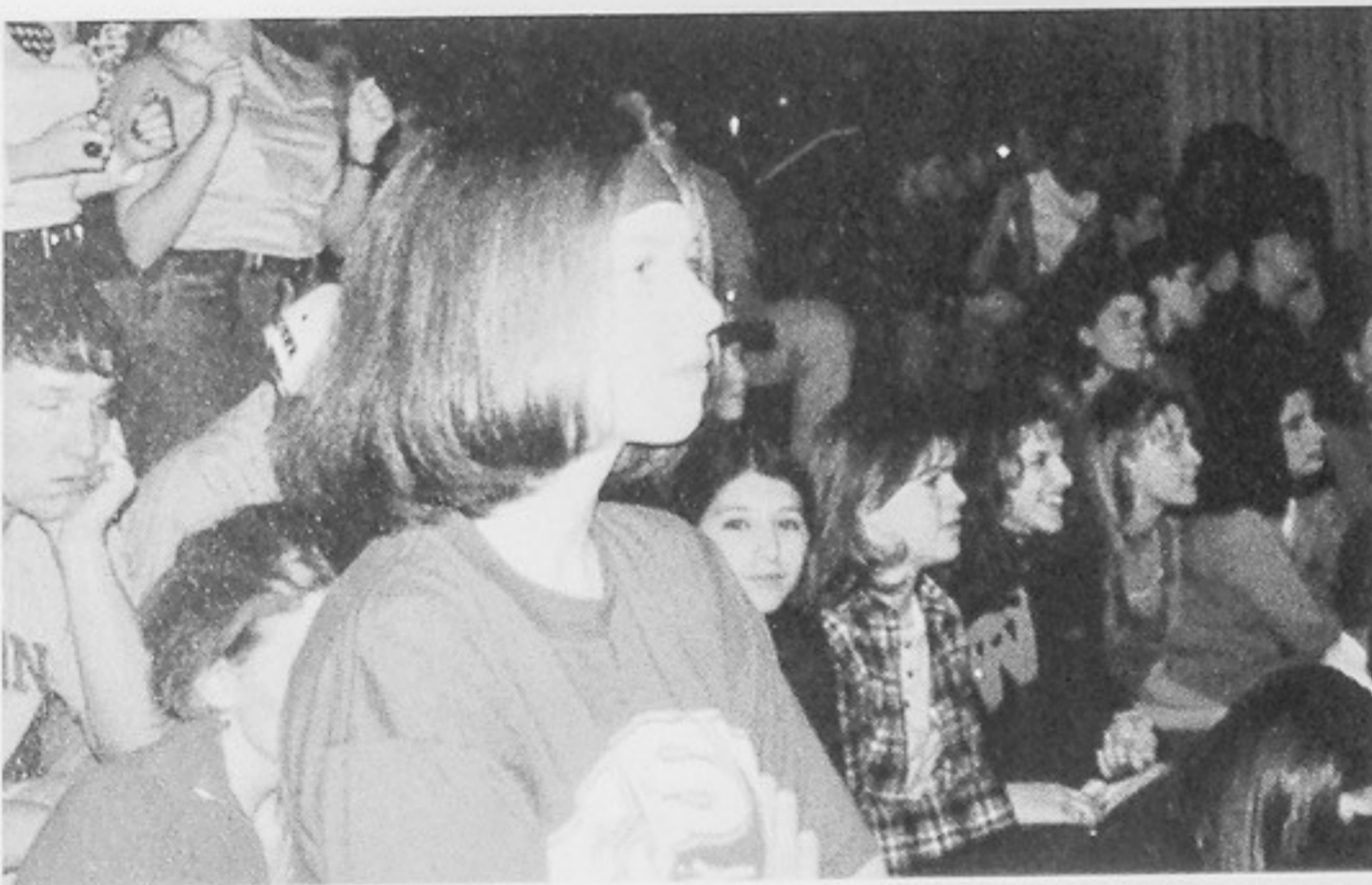
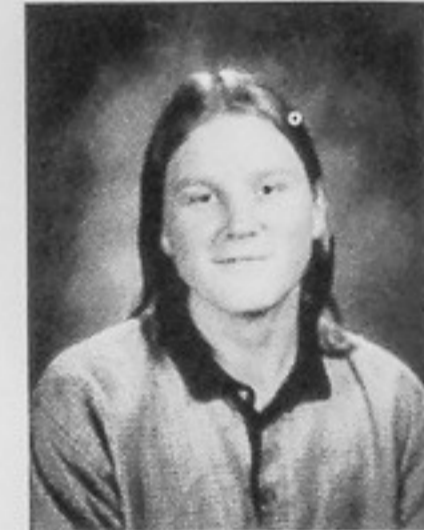
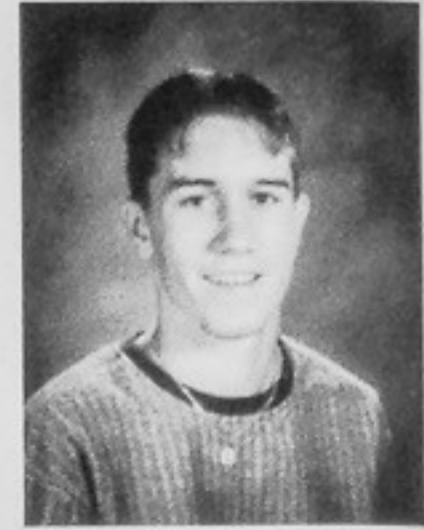
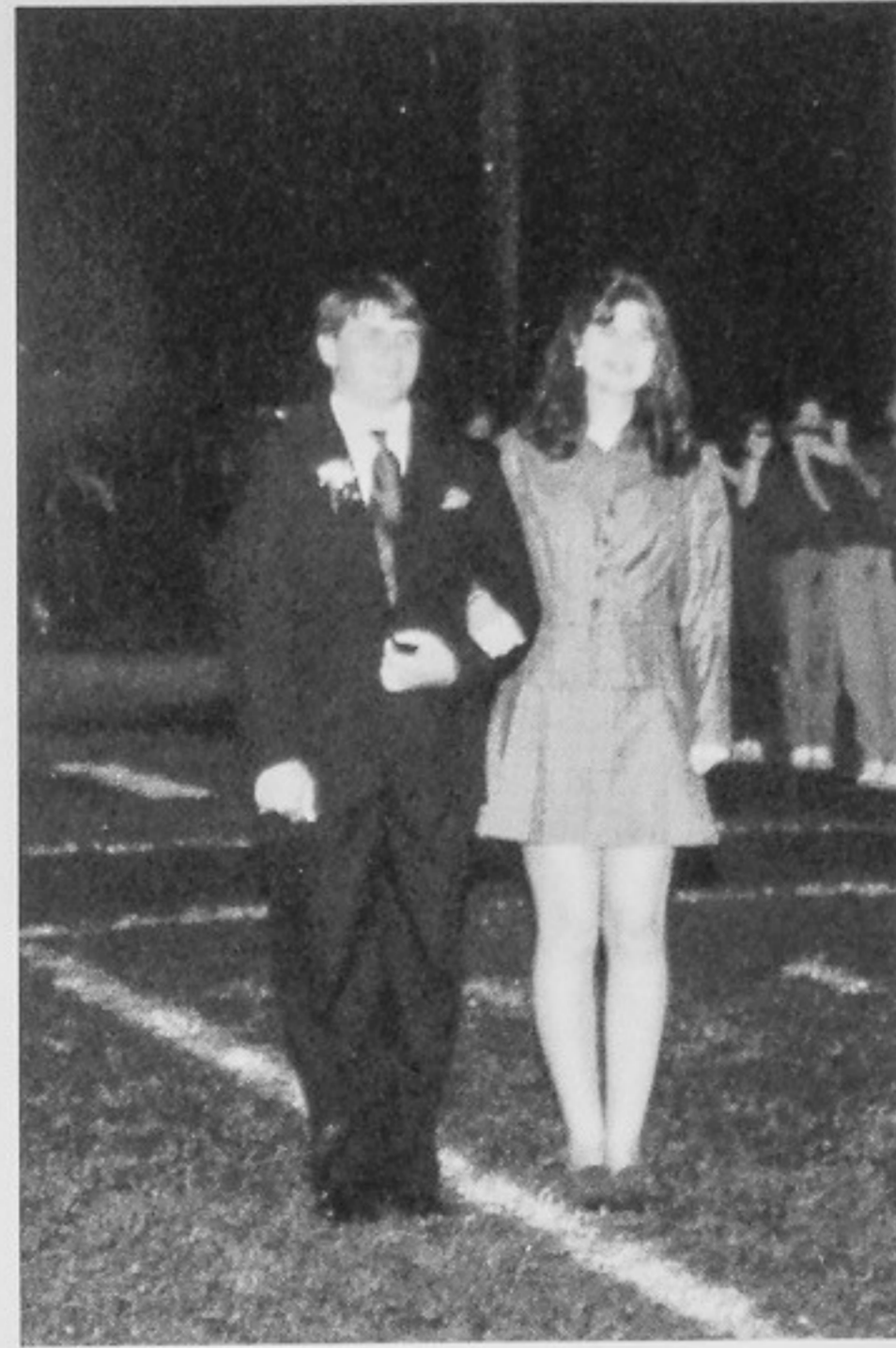


Jeff Walburn lands from a shot during warm-ups in the Portsmouth East home gym. Jeff's skills contributed greatly to the Tartan Varsity basketball team throughout the 1997 season.

Dumbfounded, Christi VanMeter wonders why she is in the Industrial Arts room when she is supposed to be in Yearbook Class. Many members of the Yearbook Staff escaped every chance they could get to relieve some stress from upcoming deadlines.

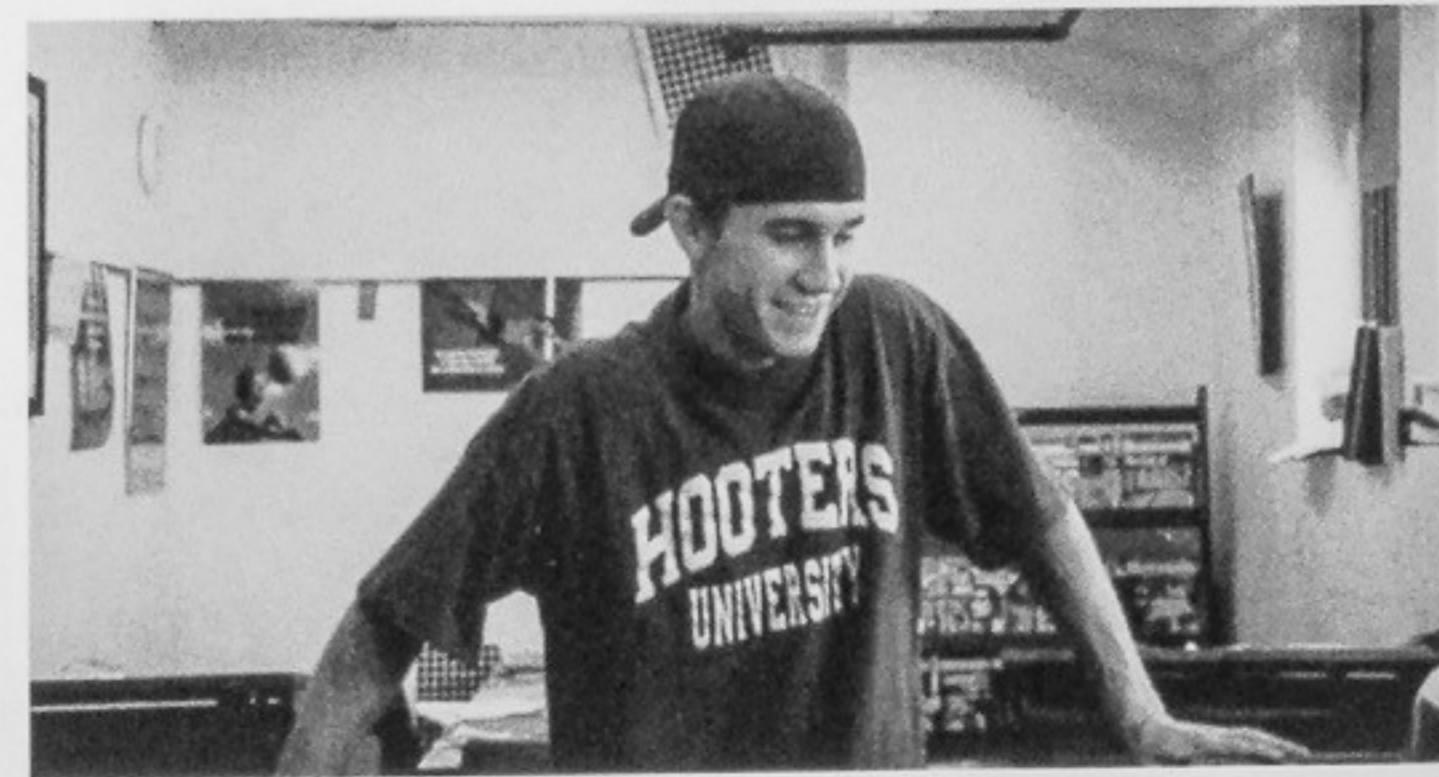
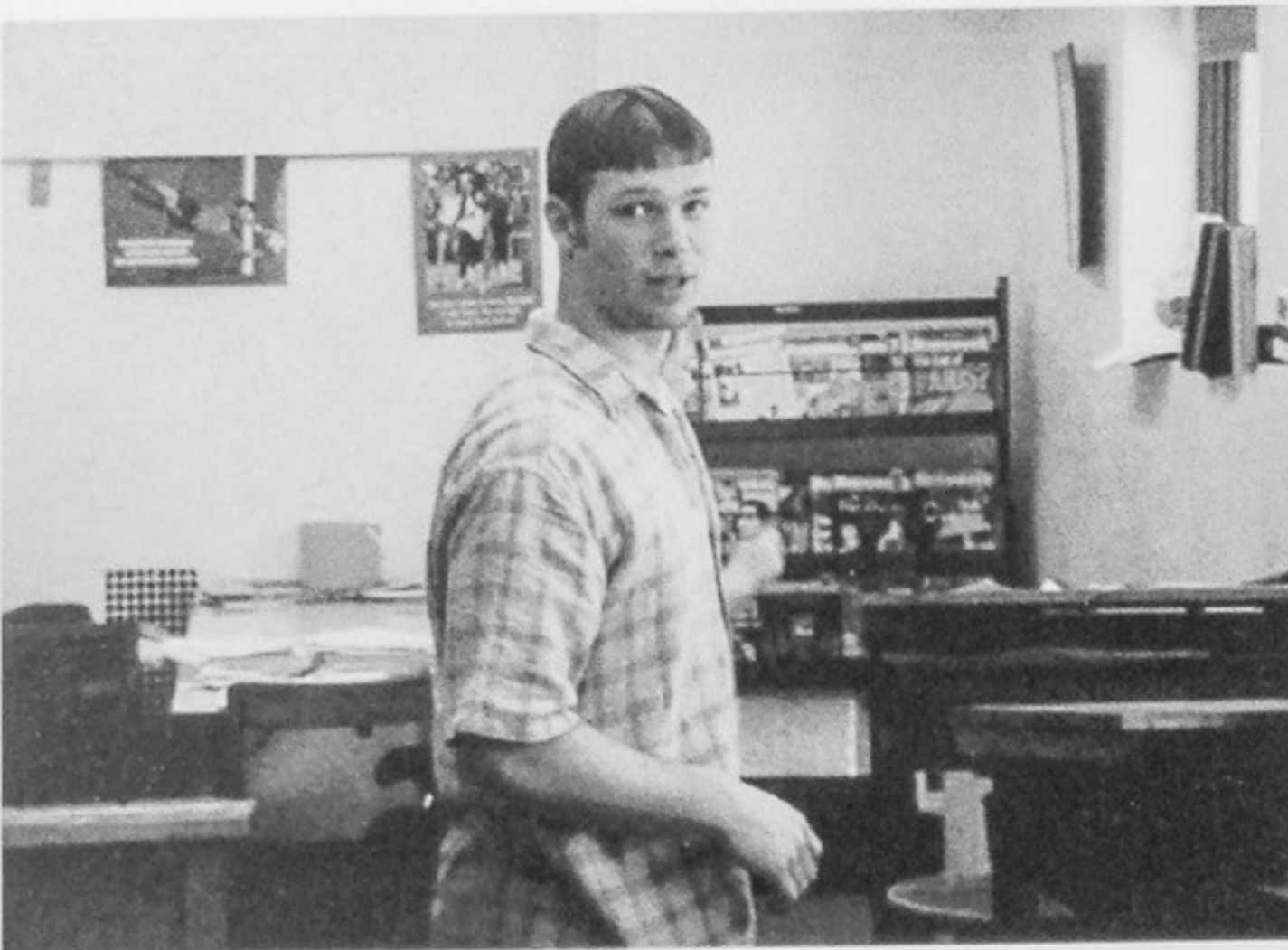
Craig Chamberlin, Todd Gilliland, and Jarod Billiter kick back in 7th period study hall after a long day of classes. When working was not going on in study hall, some of the best socializing took place.

Junior Attendant Stacy Haywood and her escort Mark Pollard take their place on the fifty-yard line at Allard Park during football homecoming. Stacy also served as a field commander in the marching band and was greatly missed on this evening.



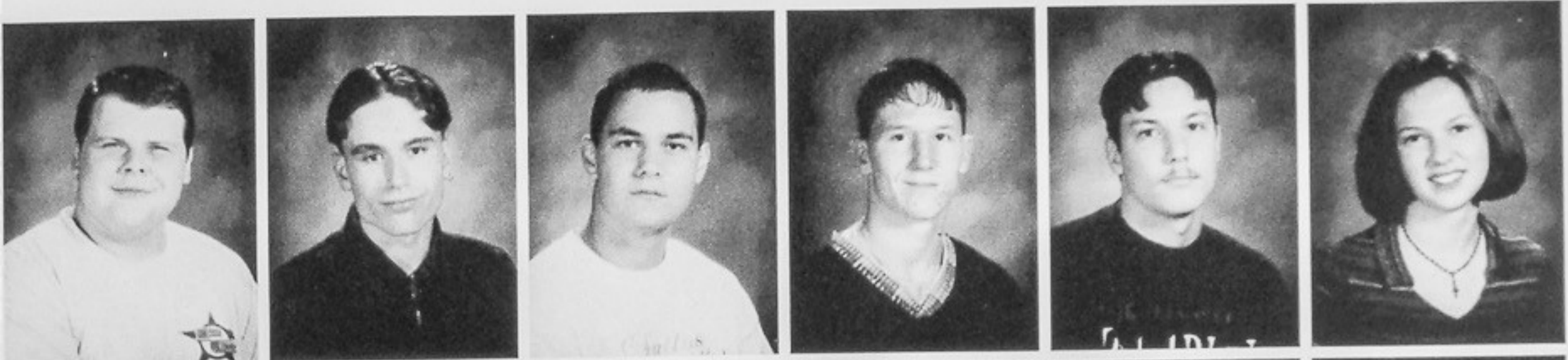
Lanie Kaltenbach concentrates during a tense moment in the Tartan Varsity basketball game. The team drew crowds of school-spirited fans to each game they played.

Todd Gilliland and Jeremy Ketter take a break from their feast in Nutrition and Wellness to pose for the camera. Mrs. Odle's classes whipped up some tasty entrees throughout the year.

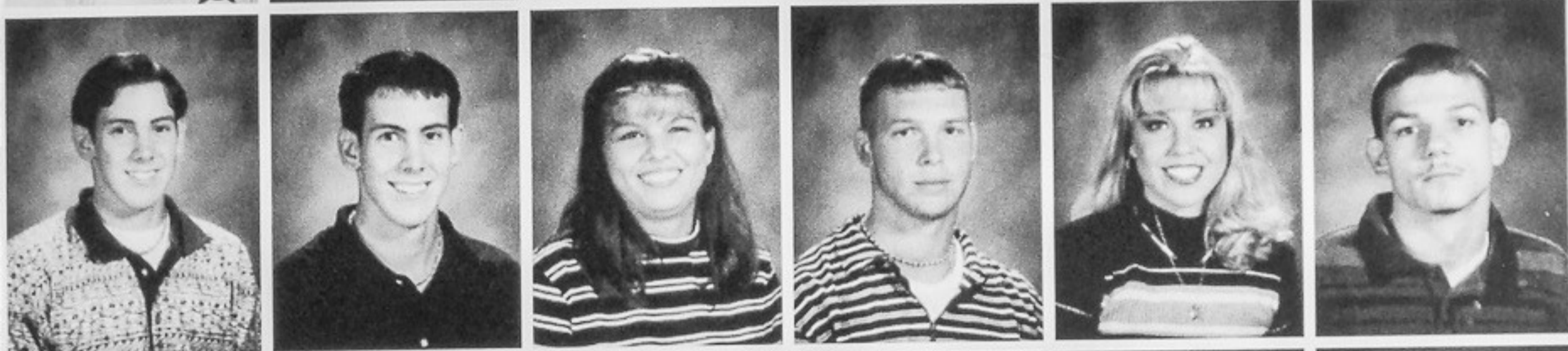


"Huh?" Andy Messer, with his usual confused expression, tries to figure out what it is he's supposed to be doing. Mechanical Drawing taught students techniques to enhance their drawing abilities.

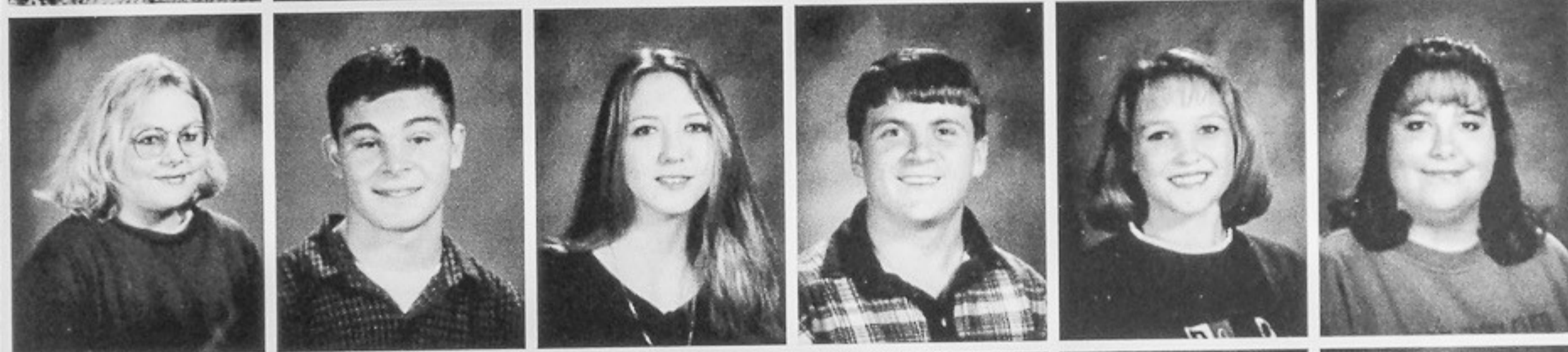
Obviously avoiding the camera, Jared Kennard turns his head while waiting to be dismissed from 7th period. The end of the day brought about much commotion to be free of hassles and begin the after school activities.



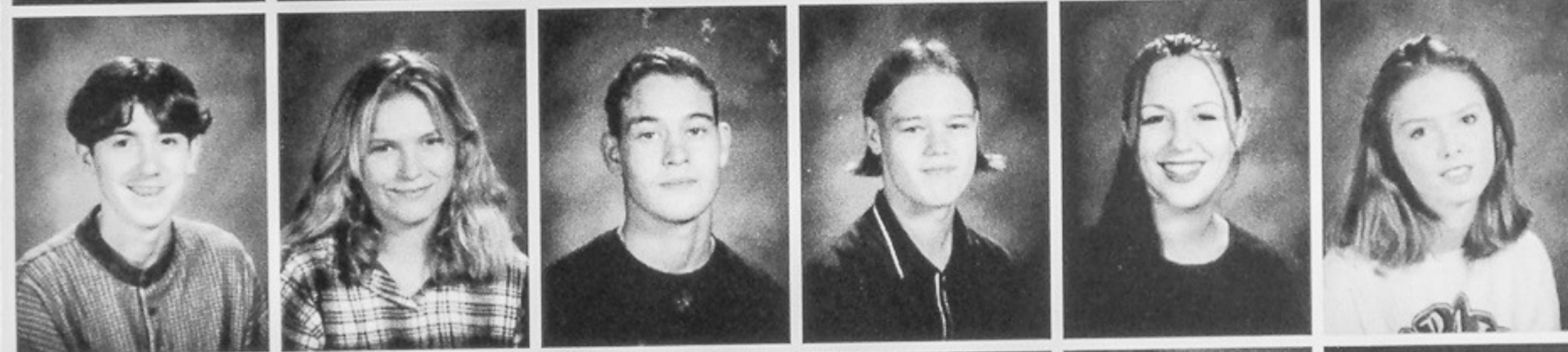
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Todd Jarvis  
Lanie Kaltenbach



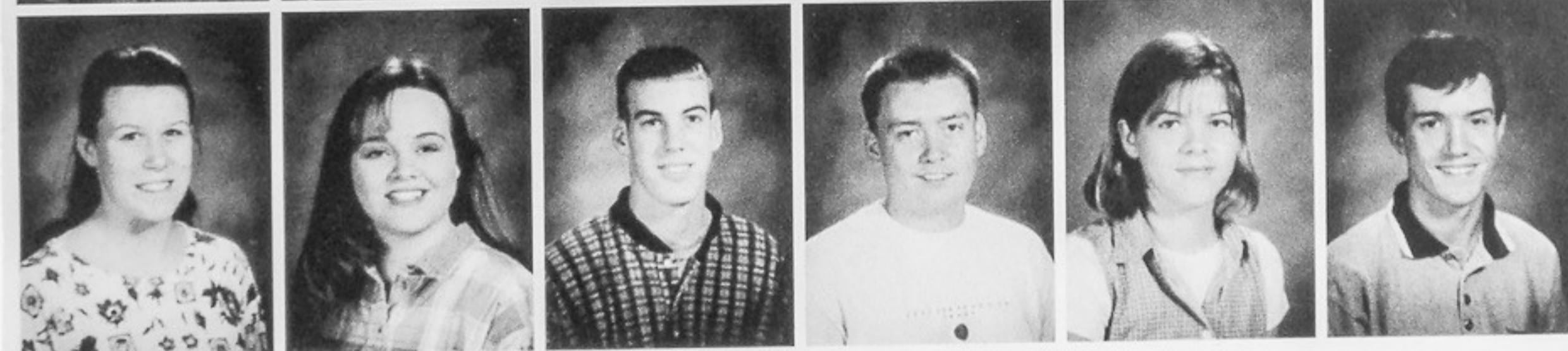
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Matt Ketter  
Michelle Lodwick  
Andy Messer  
Amanda Munion  
Tom Neff



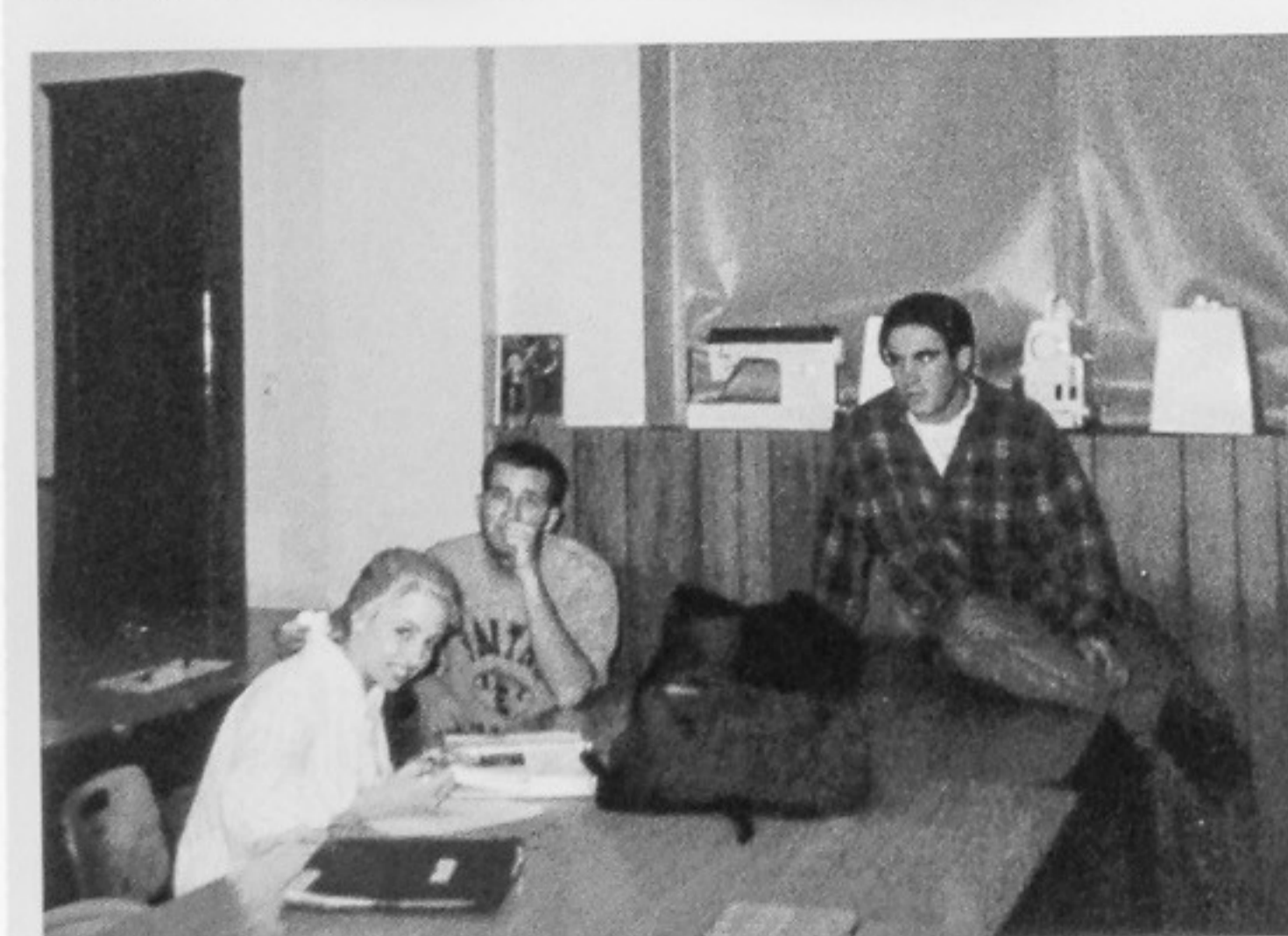
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Kent Piatt  
Mindy Pierce  
Mark Pollard  
Lindsay Rase  
Amanda Raynard



Jessica Rose  
Andy Royal  
Tara Scott  
Steve Sisler  
Travis Shultz  
Angie Sparks  
Laura Sprague



Eric Stiltner  
Heather Taylor  
Christi VanMeter  
Jeff Walburn  
Rick Walker  
Polly Wiltshire  
Chris Yerardi



During homeroom, Katie Gee, Todd Gilliland, and Craig Chamberlin chit-chat about yesterday's happenings. Many students use this time to talk, while others catch up on their studies.

Abby Beaumont diligently works on a paper in her spare time during the day. As juniors, we learned that we have to work harder to keep up with the pace.

# Just Another Year

As we walk down the hallways of East High, we realize that it's just another year. But somehow this ordinary year has left its mark. We've had our good times and our bad times, and now we have come to the realization that there is only two years left in our high school career.

As Sophomores we are sometimes stuck in the middle.

We are not quite underclassmen, but we are not quite upperclassmen either; yet somehow we fit in.

This year's sophomore class has had memories that are quite unforgettable and memories that we cannot wait to forget, but all together we will stick together because we know it's just another year.



Shane Henry stops for a picture on his way home after an exhausting day at school. Shane was a member of the marching band.

Diana Escamilla works on her folder in Parenting class. Diana was president of the sophomore class.



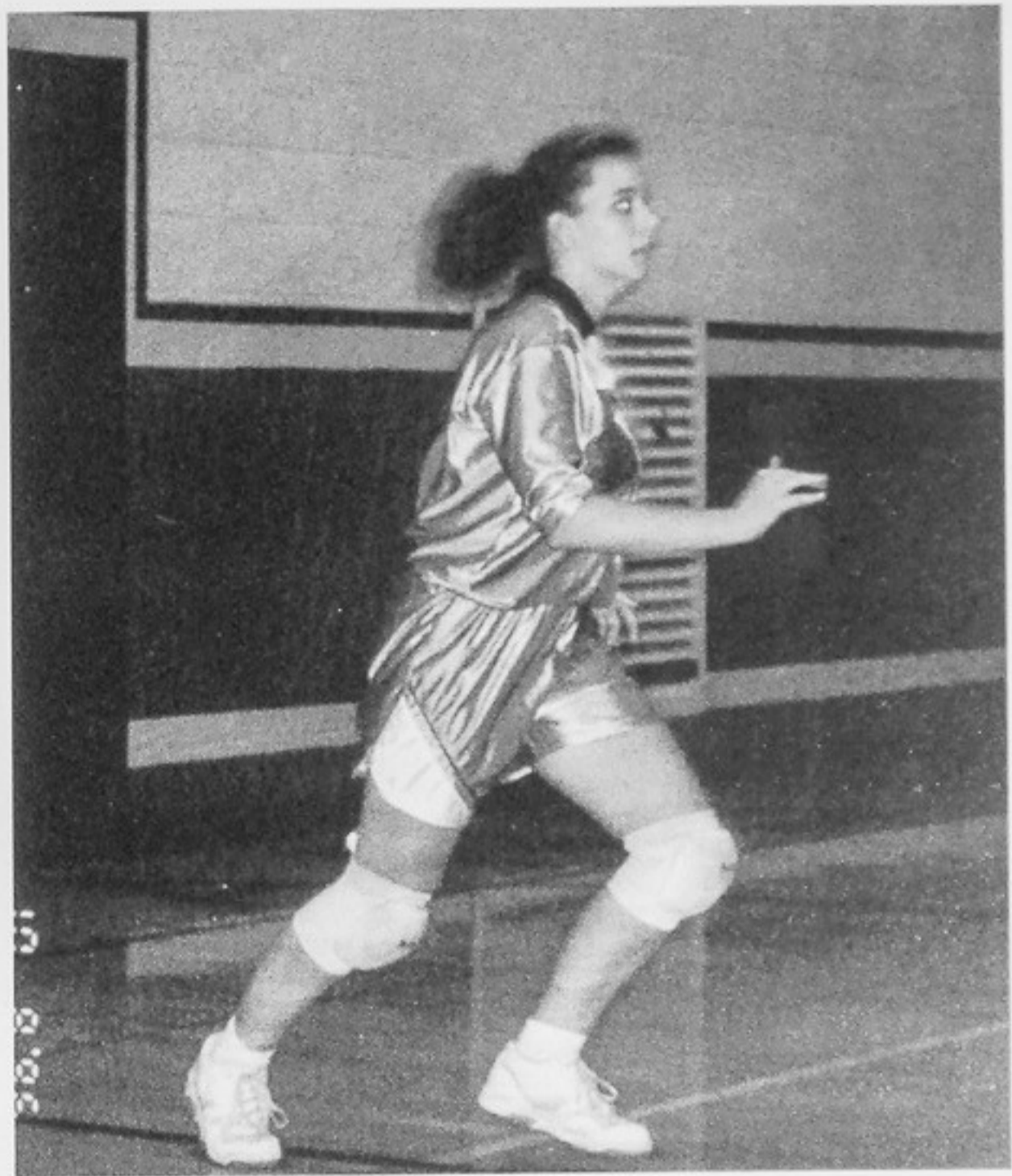
Class officers for 1996-97: Ryan Key-treasurer, Rusty Elrod-vice president, Diana Escamilla-president, and Elizabeth Cooper-secretary.

Rusty Elrod, Holly Cantwell, and Katie Stapleton watch a experiment in biology class. Rusty was quite the show-off in front of the camera.



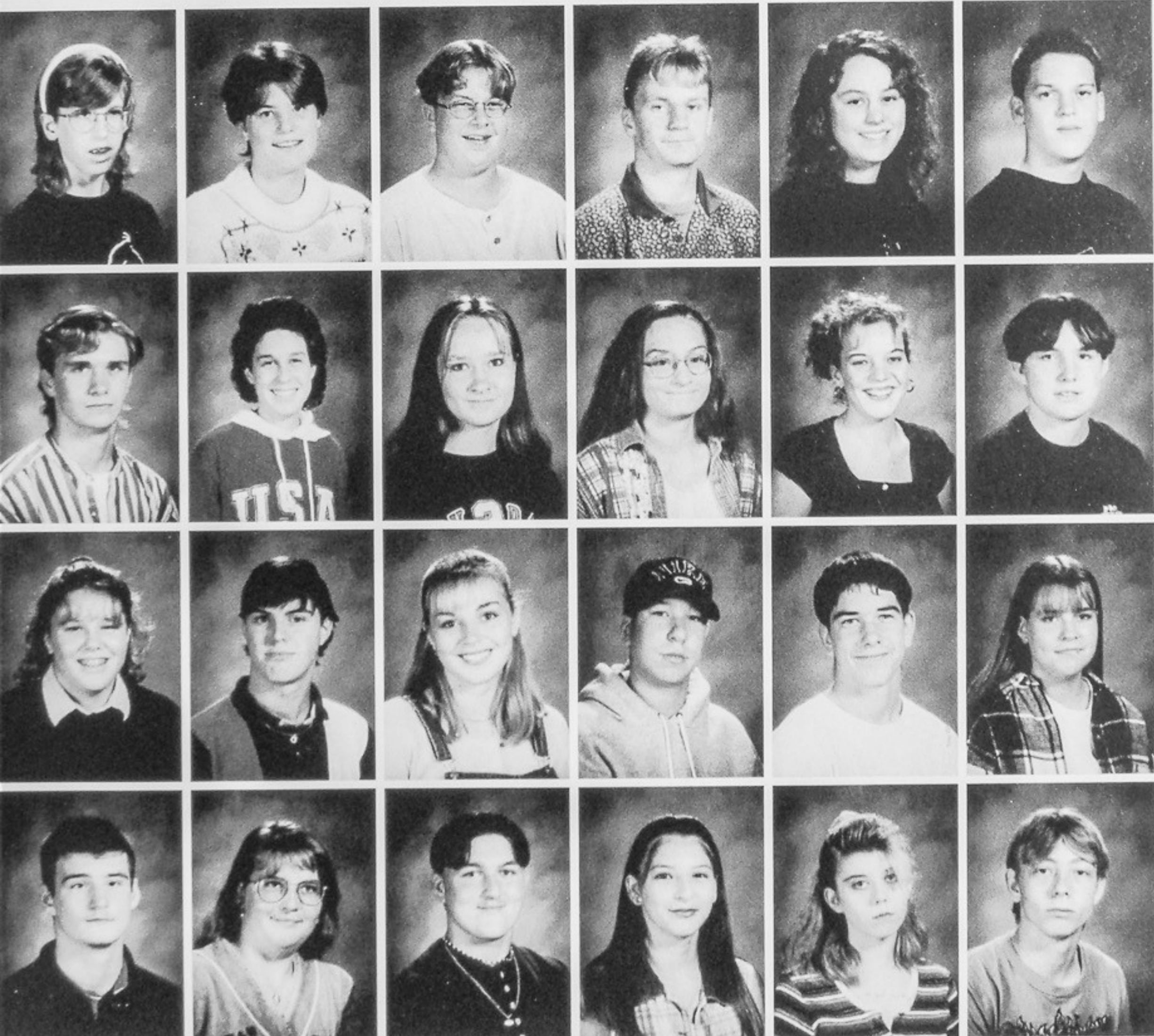
These "cheerleader Chics" would always take time out for a picture. Sophomores on the squad were Charity Lewis, Amanda Murray, and Vanessa Billiter.





Christy Vansickle flashes a big smile as she shows off her Valentine Gift.

Holly Cantwell follows up after a serve. Holly was a great assist to the volleyball team.



Lauren Bailey  
Jackie Hall  
Brad Bear  
Kevin Billings  
Vanessa Billiter  
Wylie Binns

Christopher Blevins  
Jerilyn Bonzo  
Amanda Broughton  
Jennifer Buffington  
Holly Cantwell  
Larry Carter

Heather Chambliss  
Josh Charles  
Traci Chew  
Josh Craft  
Josh Craig  
Elizabeth Cooper

Charlie Davis  
Jessica Edwards  
Rusty Elrod  
Diana Escamilla  
Mary Fletcher  
John Fout

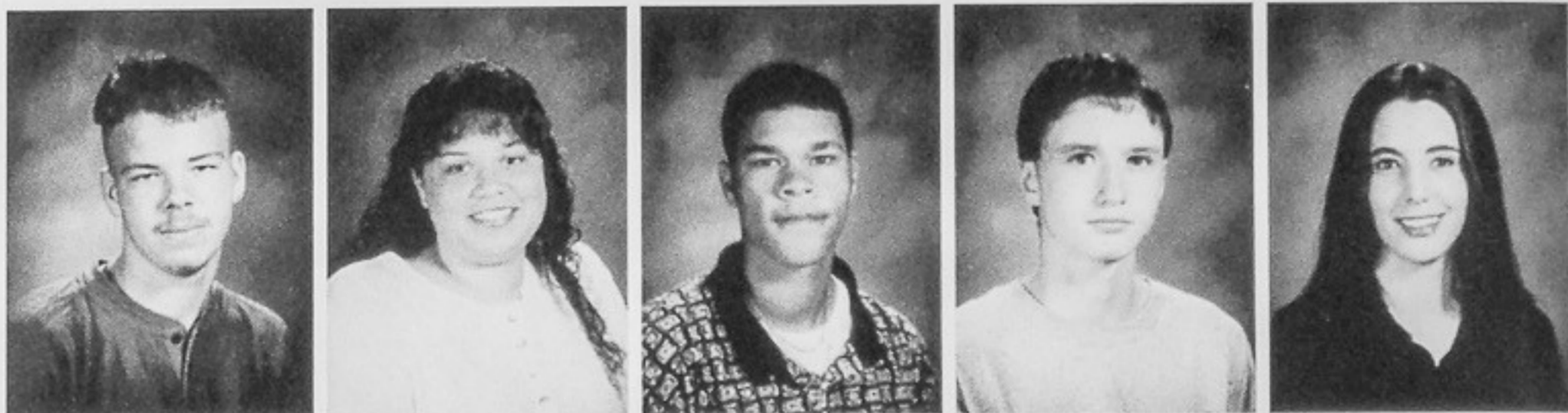
Amanda Murray and Charity Lewis enjoy themselves at Mr. Knapp's Home. Athletes and cheerleaders were treated to a picnic.



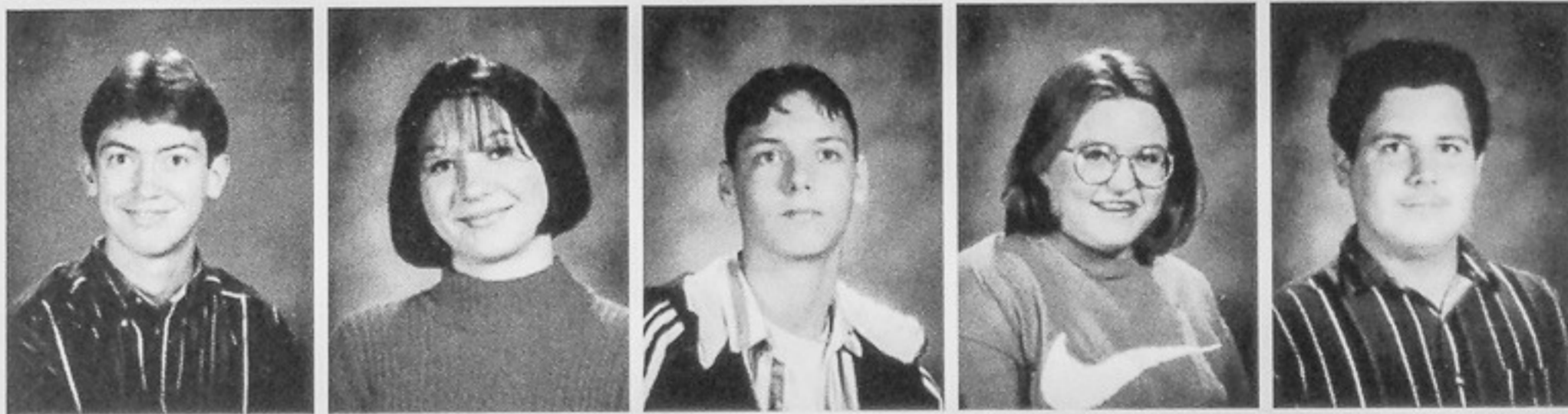
Mr. Coriell's 7th period class work very hard. Mr. Coriell's classes mostly have great fun times.



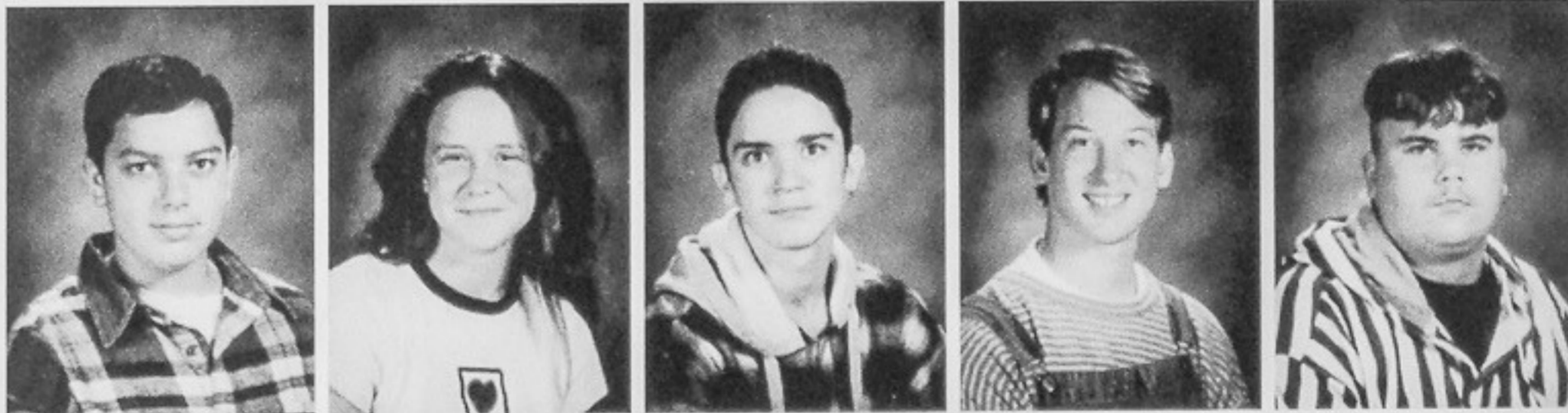
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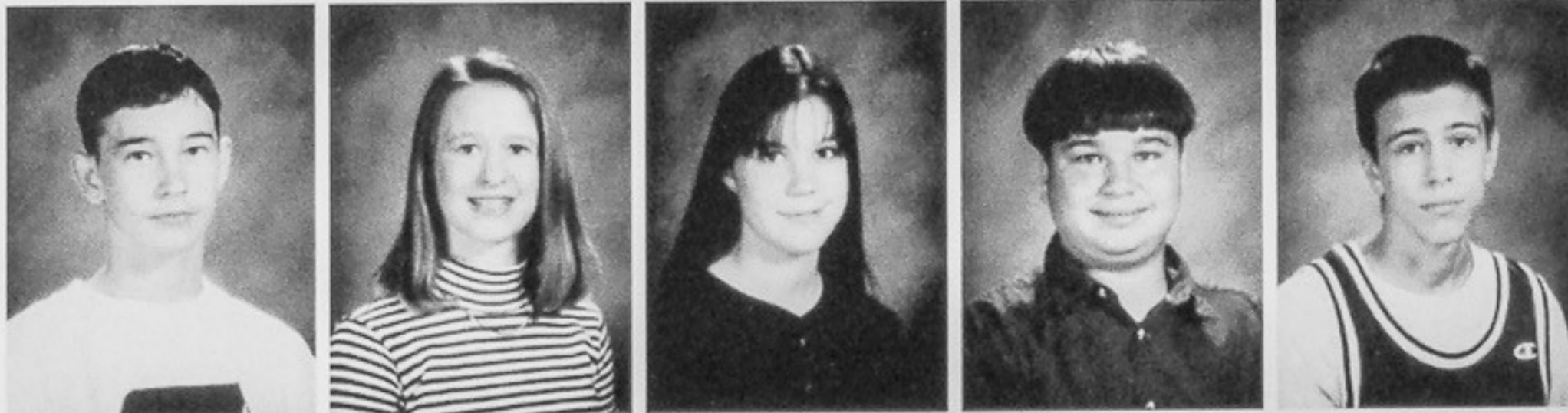
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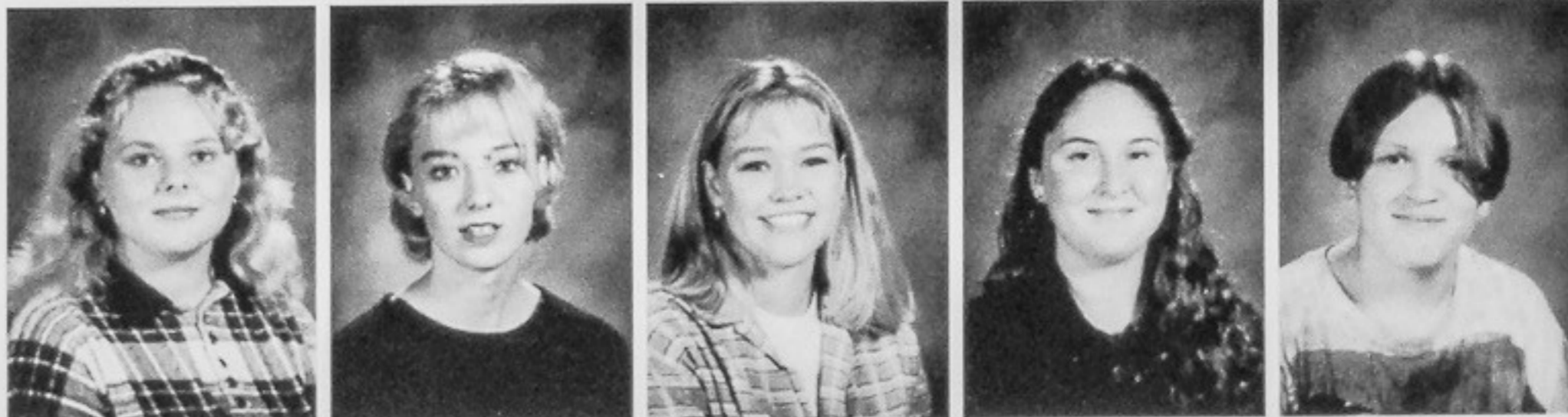
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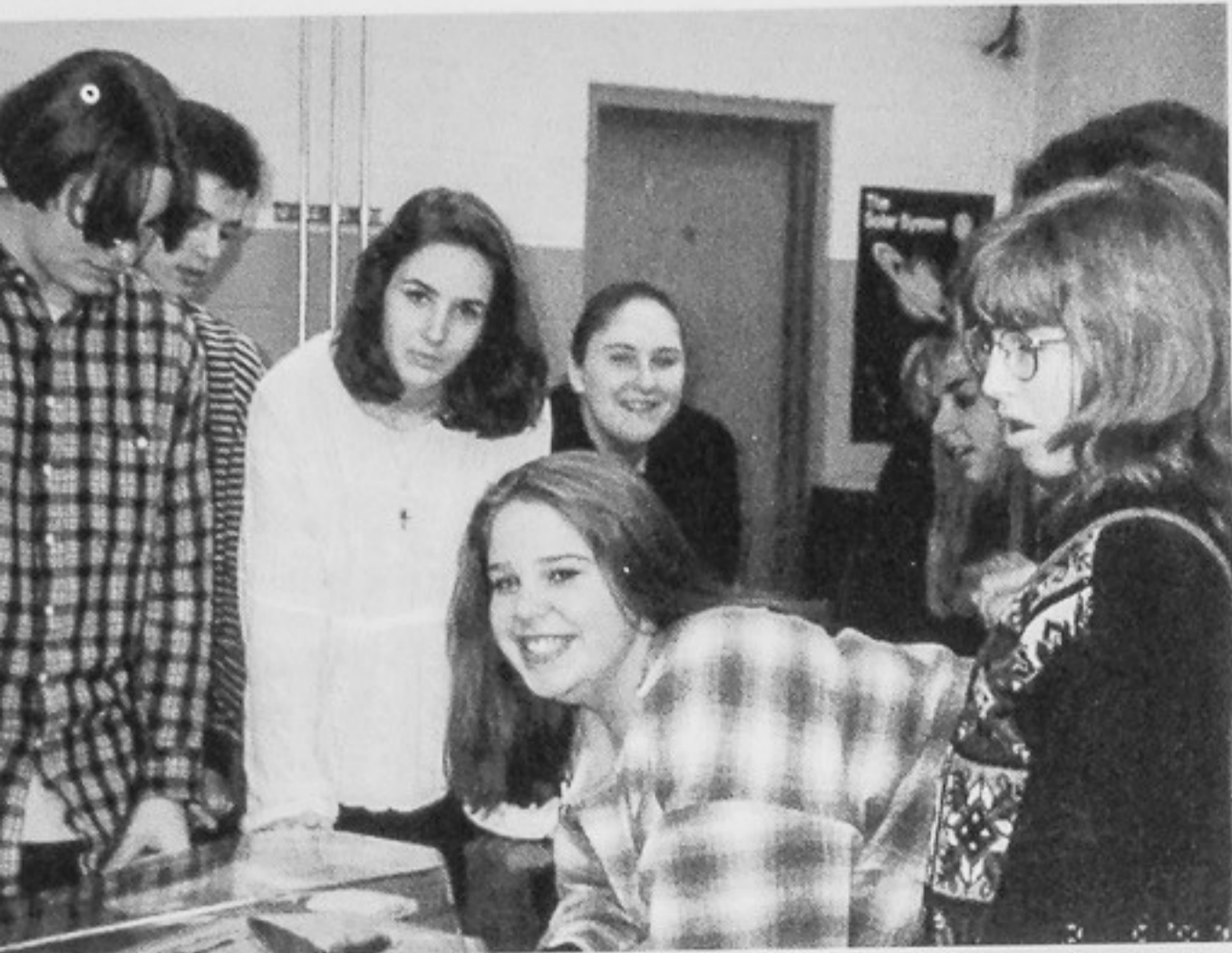


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T. R. McCann



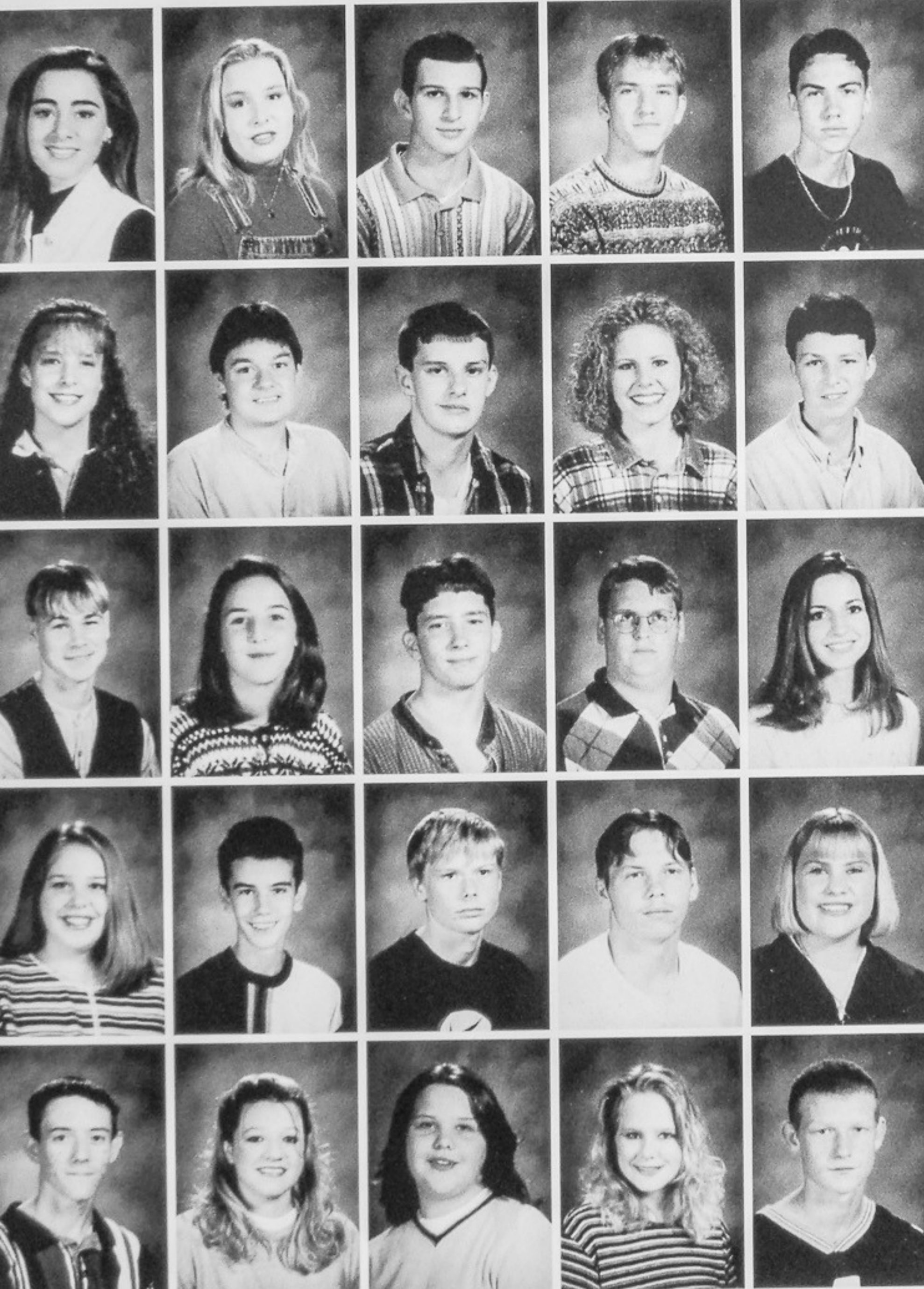
Rachel McClellen  
Molly McGahan  
Lauren Meadows  
DeeDee Montgomery  
Mike Morritz





The sophomore biology class prepares to dissect a dogfish shark. The class dissected frogs, fish and cats during the year.

Geometry class takes a break during their class. Mr. Corriells class was always an exciting class.



Amanda Murray  
Pebbles Musser  
Deric Paxson  
Charles Payne  
Josh Porter

Misty Picklesimer  
Dustin Payton  
John Rowe  
Lisa Ruggles  
Brad Sanders

Adam Slusher  
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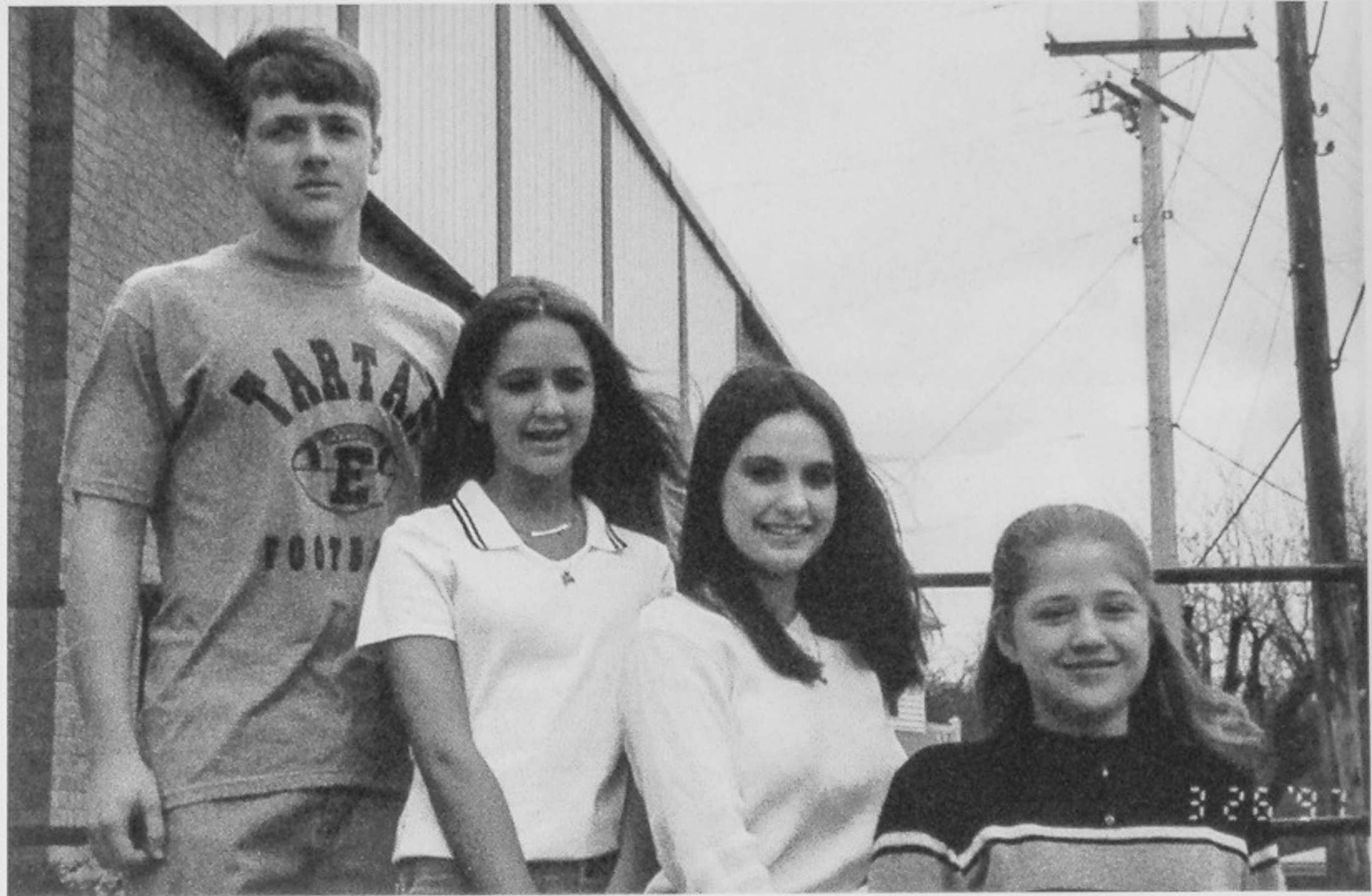
Brian Yerardi  
Christy Vansickle  
Misty VanMeter  
Tanya Wilson  
Ronnie Will

# Looking Back to Looking Forward

We made it! We are finally high schoolers! We are now a part of East and its many traditions. The memories we will cherish forever began when we re-entered these doors as Freshmen. We have a chance to play in junior varsity and varsity sports, attend homecoming dances, and maybe even have a chance to be noticed.

Being in the graduating class of 2000, we are part of the largest group of athletes that East has seen for many years. Our future in the athletic field is promising since we are strong in numbers, and will continue to grow in ability with each passing year.

Our class also has a large amount of academic potential, having the largest percentage of students to pass the proficiency test the first time through.

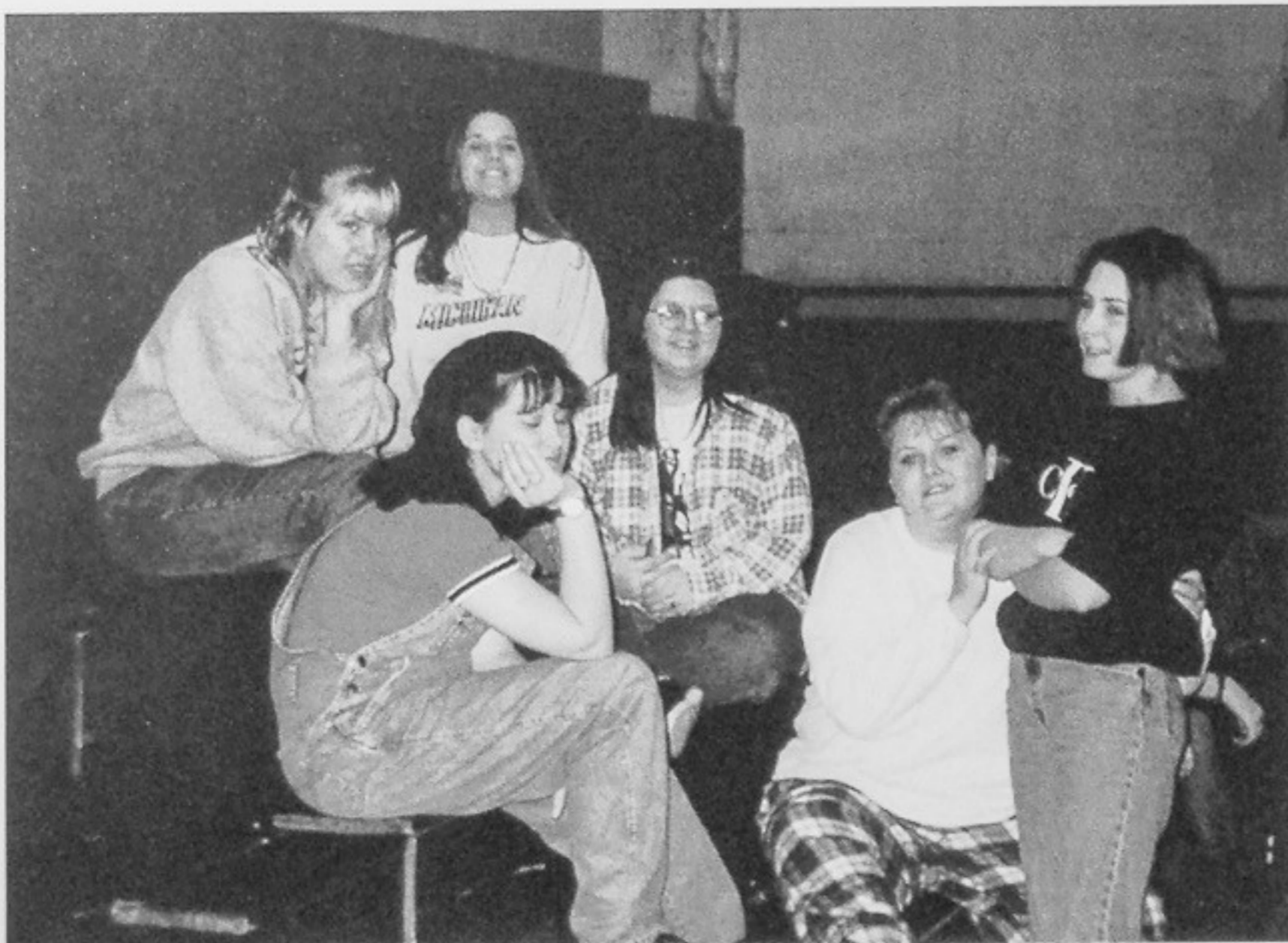


Freshman Class Officers — Ben Etterling — President, Mandi Lewis — Vice President, Brenna Davis — Treasurer, Karen Luther — Secretary

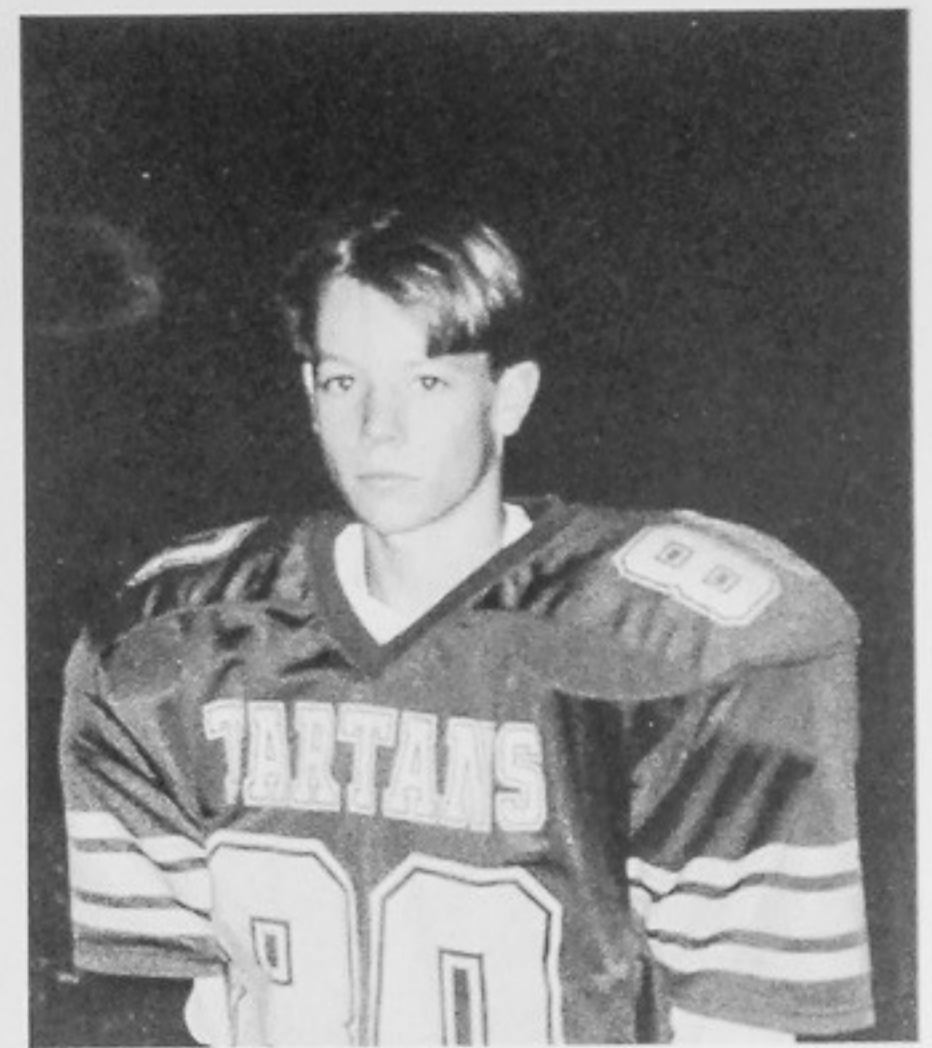
Mark Jenkins smiles for the camera after exploring the bleachers. There is said to be many odd findings under the mysterious bleachers.



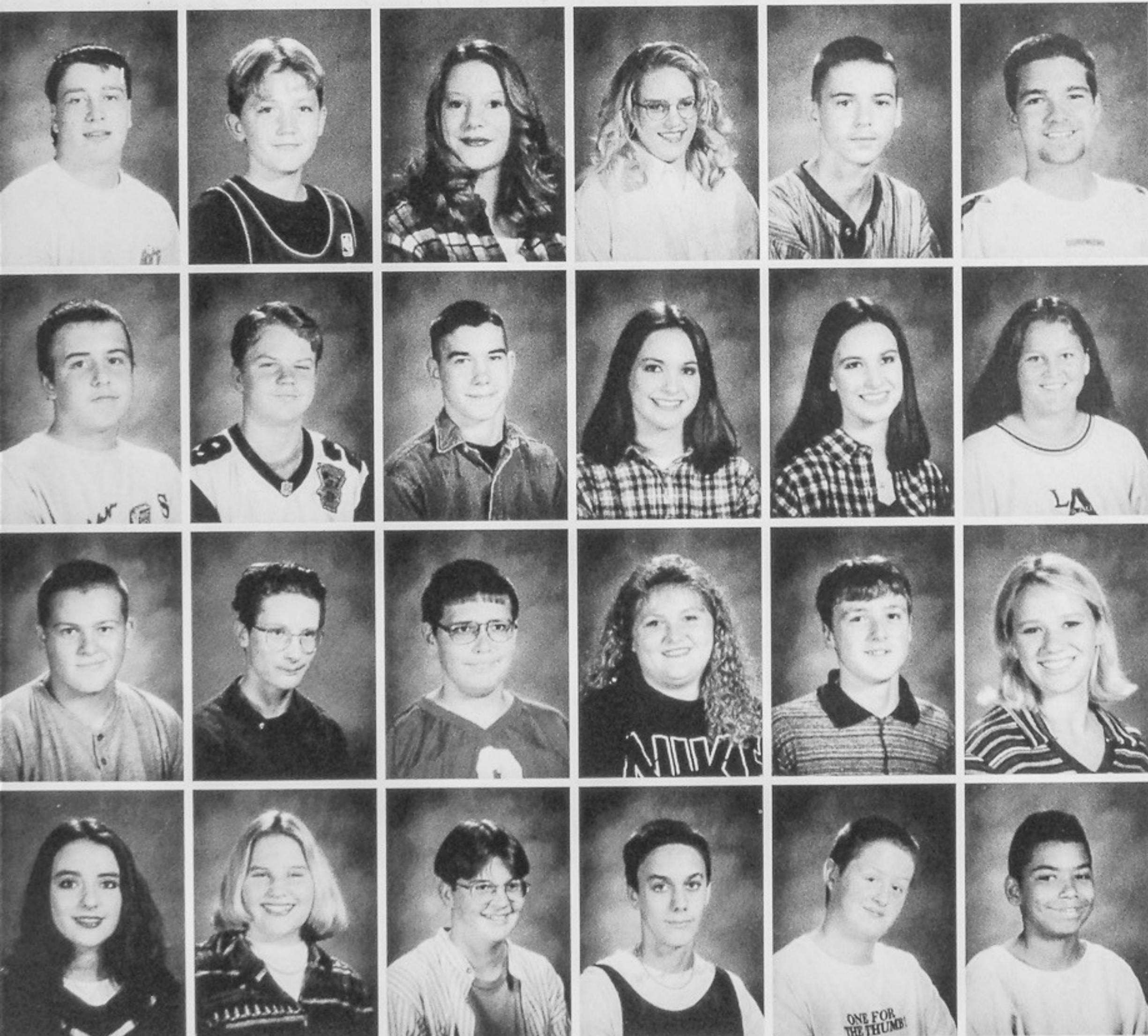
Misty Mickels, Valeria Rudd, Ericka Martin, Lucinda Kerns, cannot keep their eyes open during gym class, despite all the excitement that went on this year.



The freshman lunch tables appear not so photogenic. Maybe because of the deep concentration on their yummy food.



Ryan Lodwick takes a time out to peer into the camera. Ryan contributed greatly to the football team this year.



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Ralph Boogs  
Heather Boots  
April Brigner  
Danny Chaffin  
Eric Charles

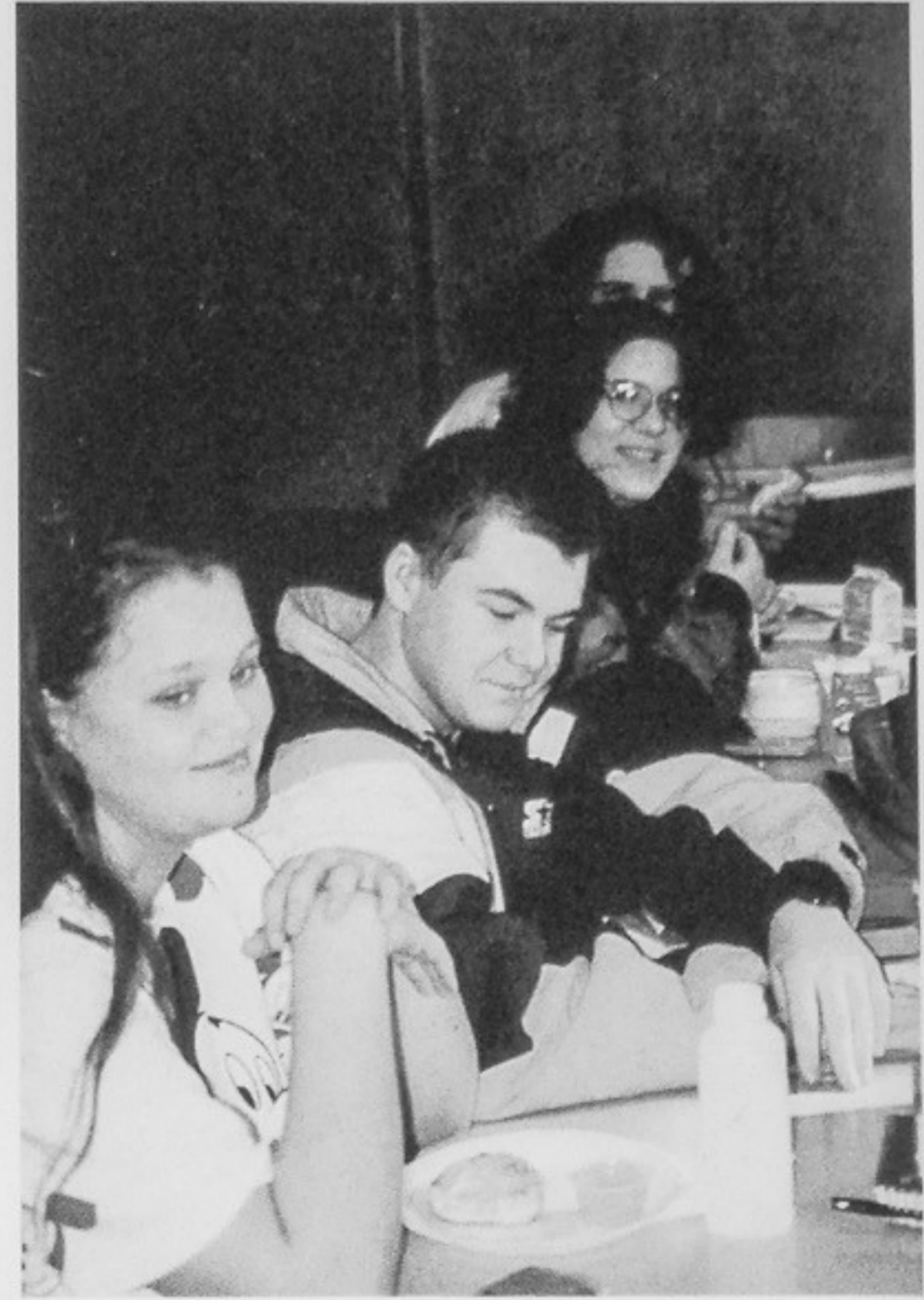
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Kelli Day

Pat Day  
Geoff Dillow  
Stephan Ellsesser  
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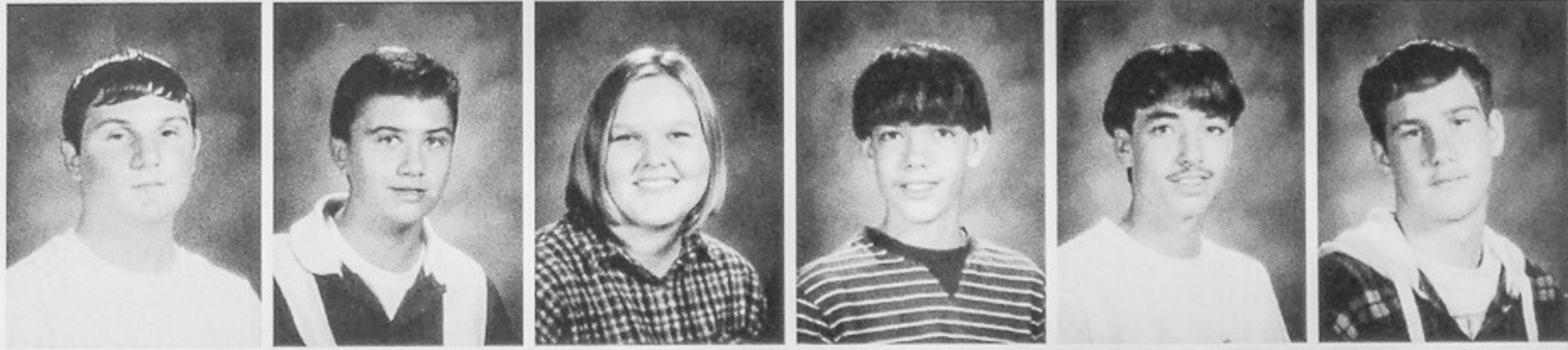


Shauna Conley enjoys a well spent \$1.00, on her big date with Bill Walburn. The JOGS class raffled a "Date With Bill" for a fund raiser.

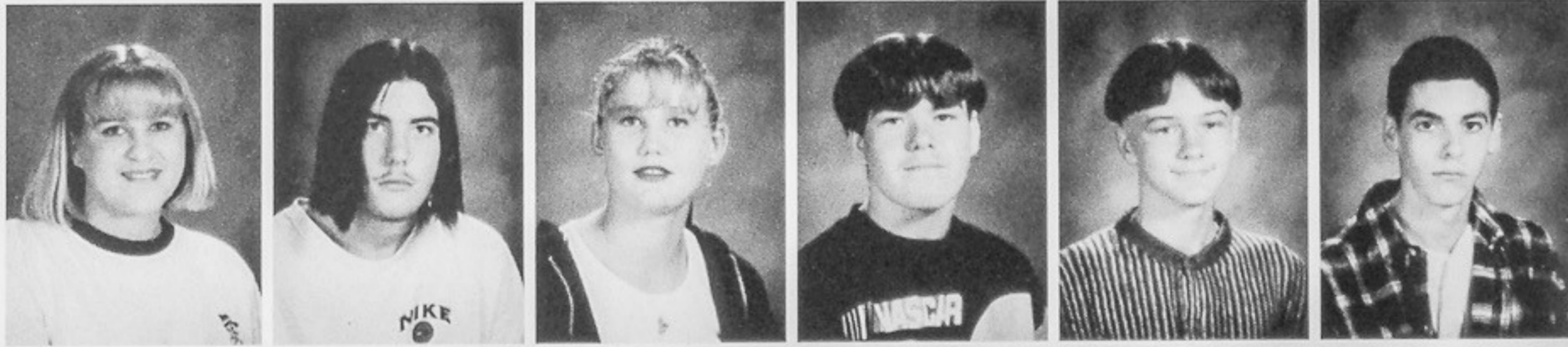


Kelli Day, Josh James and Cindy Fletcher smile as they are finishing their lunch. Each day many people join together to eat lunch in the cafeteria.

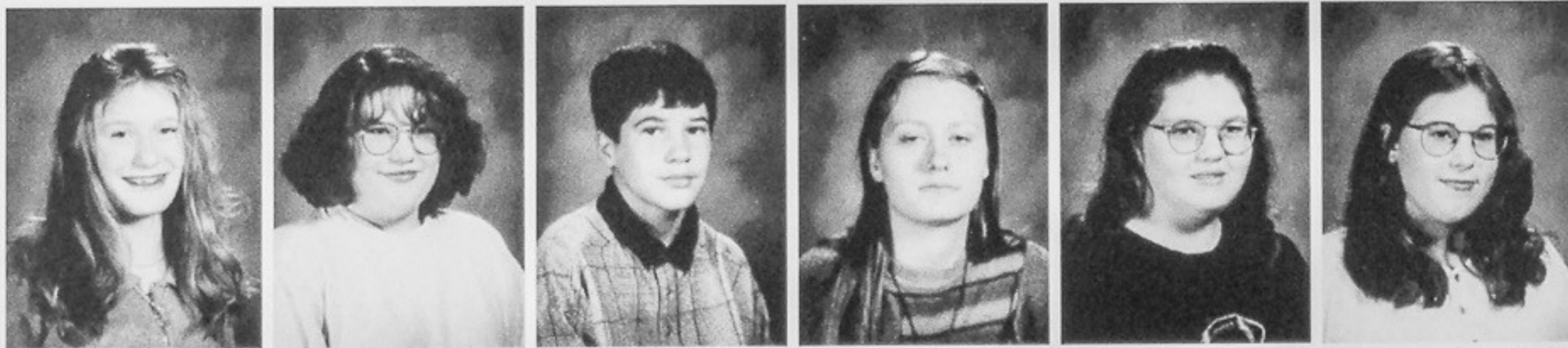
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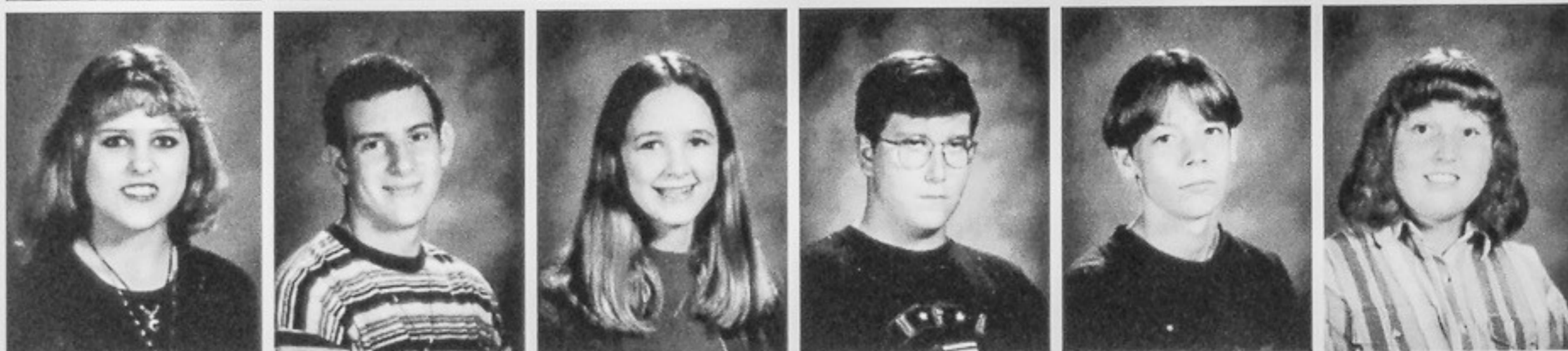
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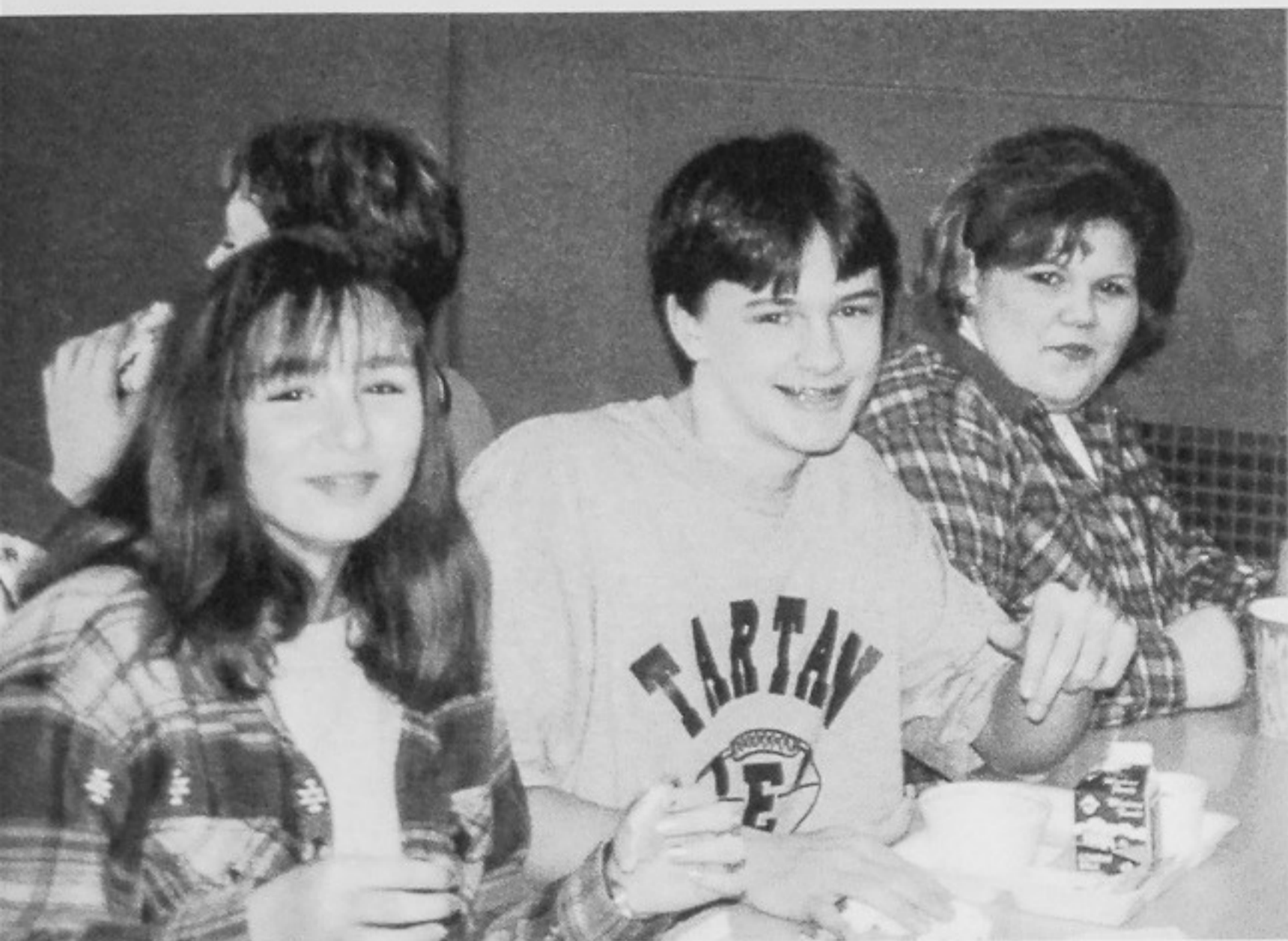
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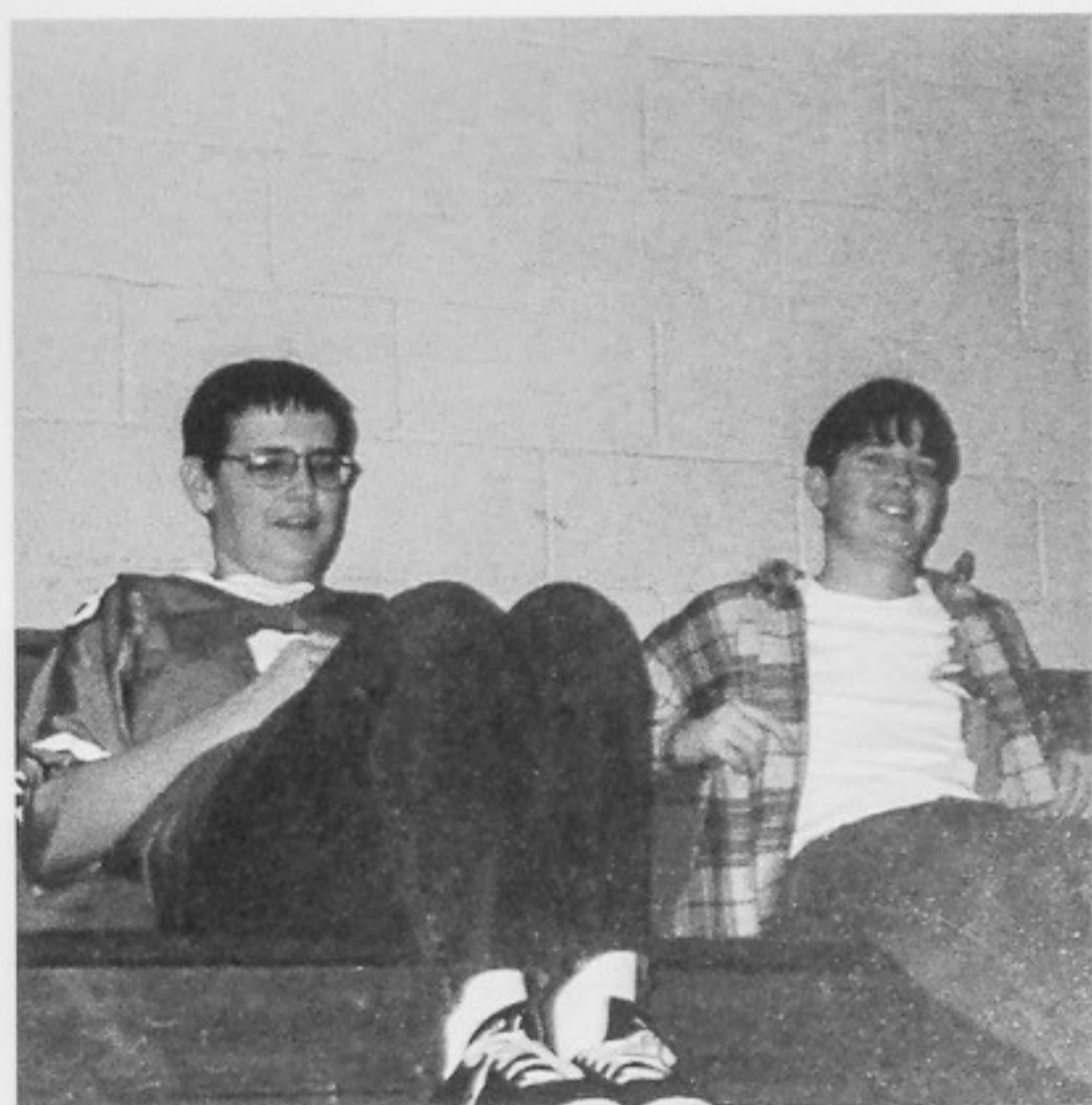
Johnny Faye Lane  
Andy LeMarble  
Mandi Lewis  
Ryan Lindamood  
Ryan Lodwick  
Nicole Logan



Debra McKinney and Mark Jenkins takes time-out from their delicious meals to say cheese. The freshmen seem to enjoy lunch more than any subject.



Stephen Ellsessor and Adam Forshey try to act cool during gym class. This class was always so stressful.



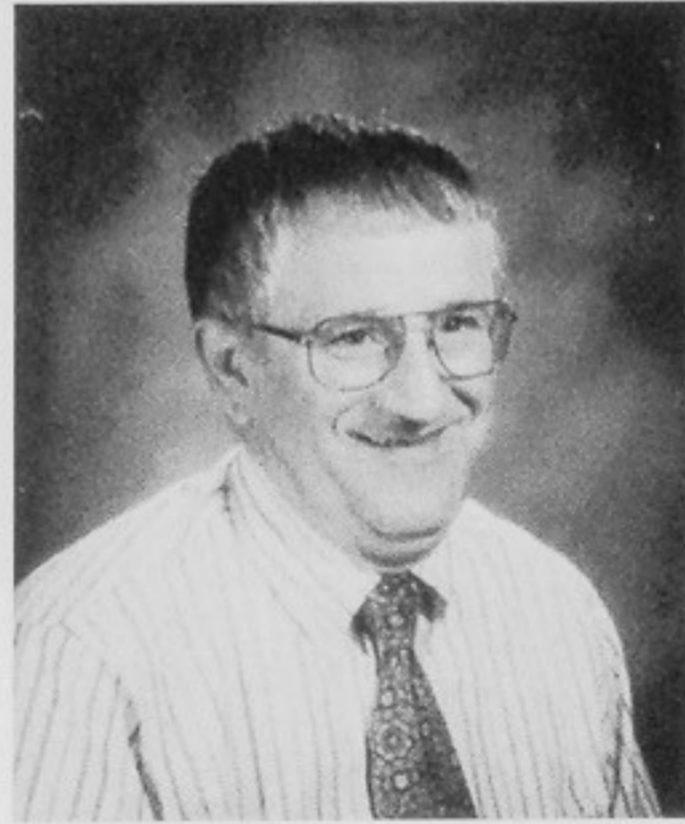
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Valerie Rudd  
Mike Sexton

Matt Shaffer  
Megan Sherman  
Mike Stewart  
Albert Stiltner  
Jeremy Thacker  
Nick Throckmorton

Jim Walburn  
Dustin Walker  
James Wallace  
Jon Will  
Tish Yates

# *Always in the heart of East High*



The 1997 East High School "Spirit" Yearbook Staff has set aside this page of our yearbook and dedicate it to two very special teachers who are retiring this year.

Mr. James Smith serves as the Student Services Facilitator, and Mrs. Janice Smith serves as the Middle School Title-One Teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith have always been dedicated to East High School. As graduates of East, they sent their only daughter to East, and now have taught at East for 31 and 15 years respectively.

Both have made a great impression on students and faculty at East and will be missed by all.



Mr. Smith stands along side his senior basketball players. Mr. Smith was very dedicated to the girls basketball team.



Mr. and Mrs. Smith stand side by side. This will be their last year here at East High School.

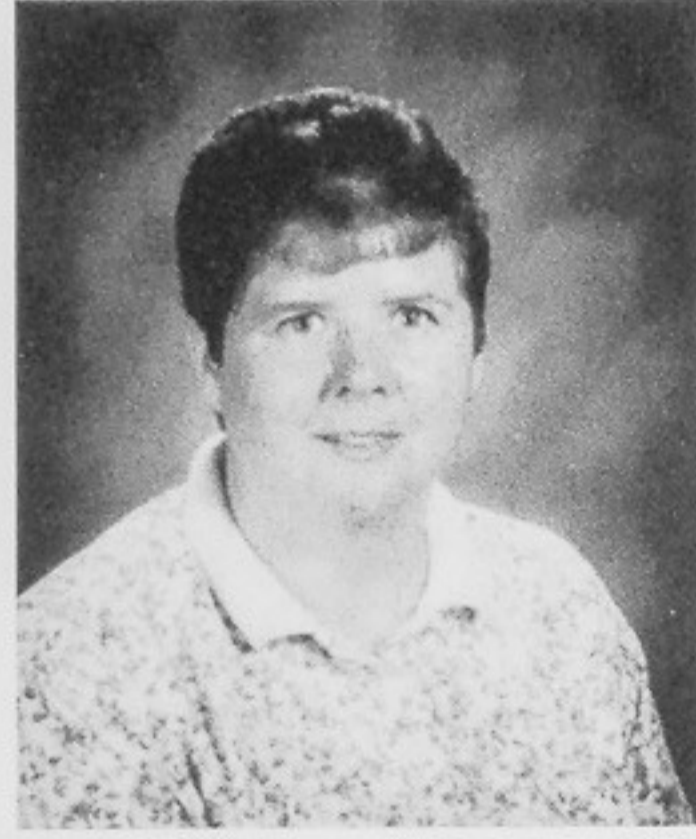




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Middle & High School Sciences

Leah Baughman  
Dean of Girls

Helen Bolton  
Library Aide

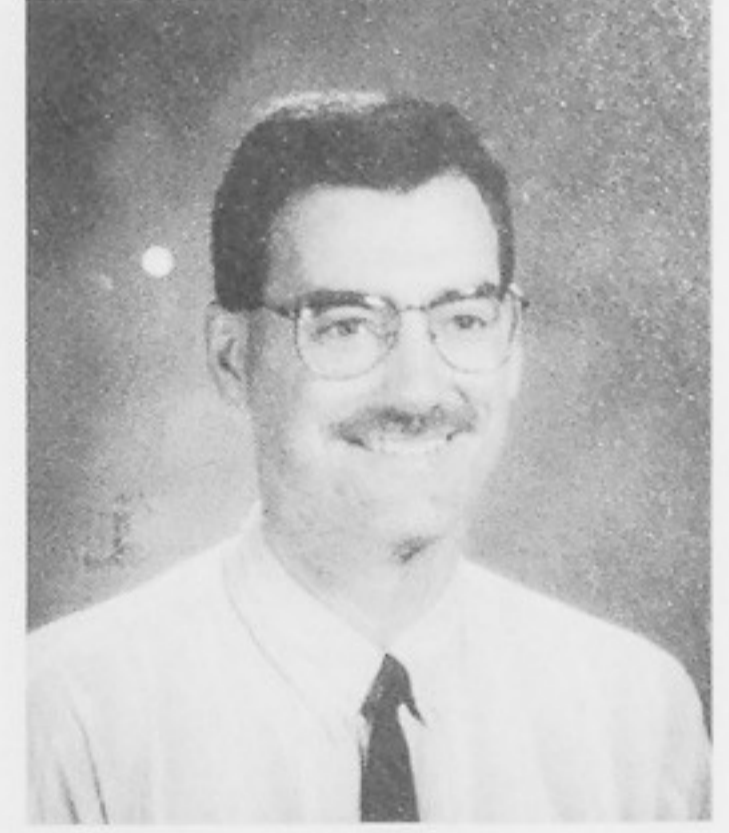
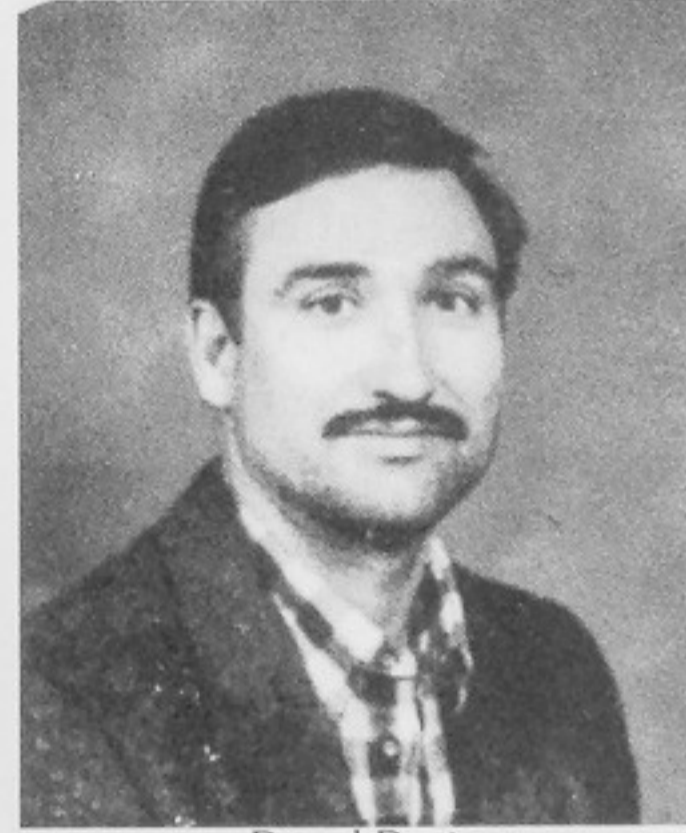


Charles Burke  
OWE

Karen Charles  
Typing & Business

Debbie Coriell  
Learning Disabilities

John Coriell  
High School Math



Bob Craft  
Middle School Reading

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Darryl Davis  
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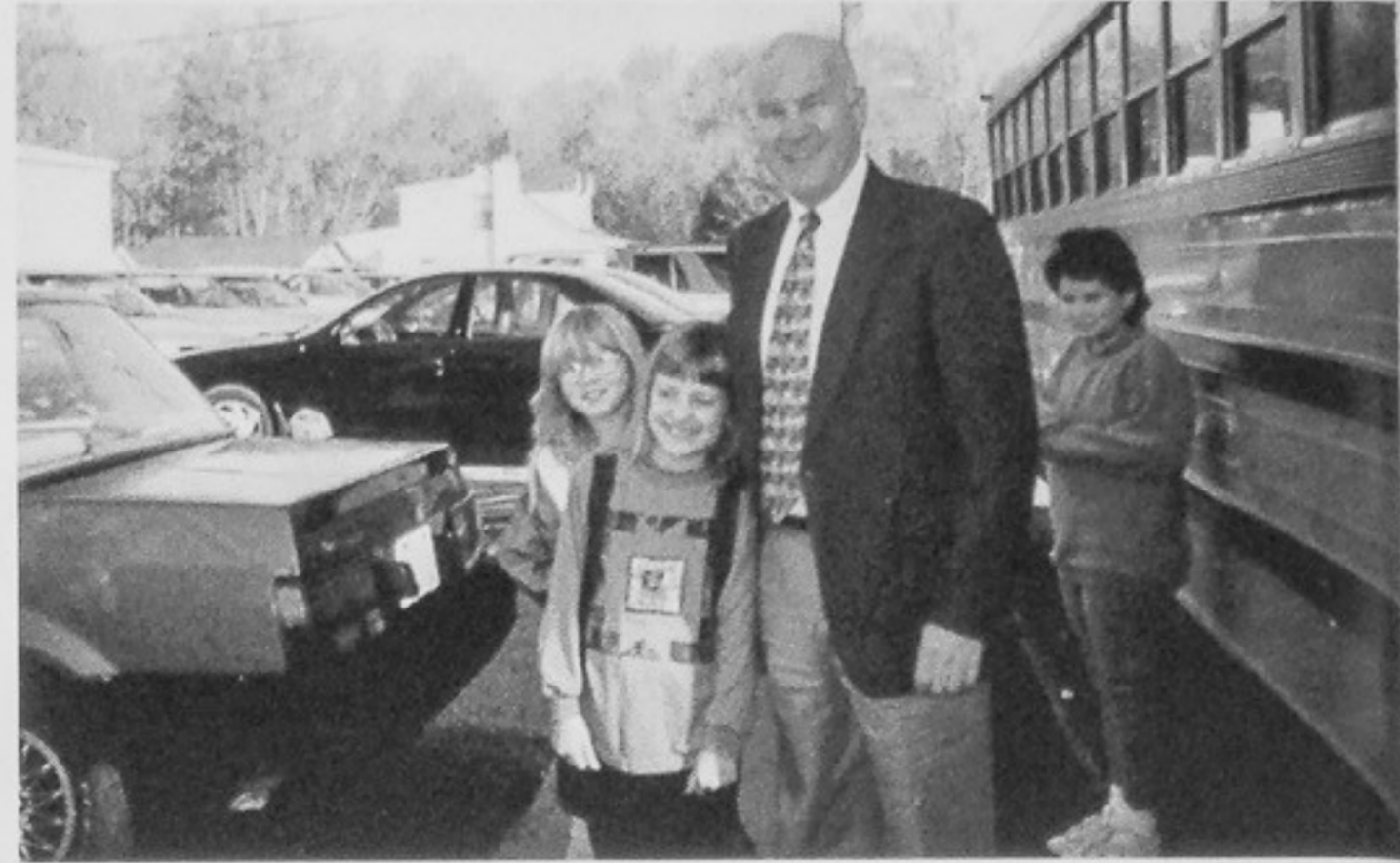
Dennis DeCamp  
Middle School Math and Yearbook

# *Administration & Faculty*

Mr. Smith stands beside senior Judy Cooper. Mr. Smith will be missed by all next year.



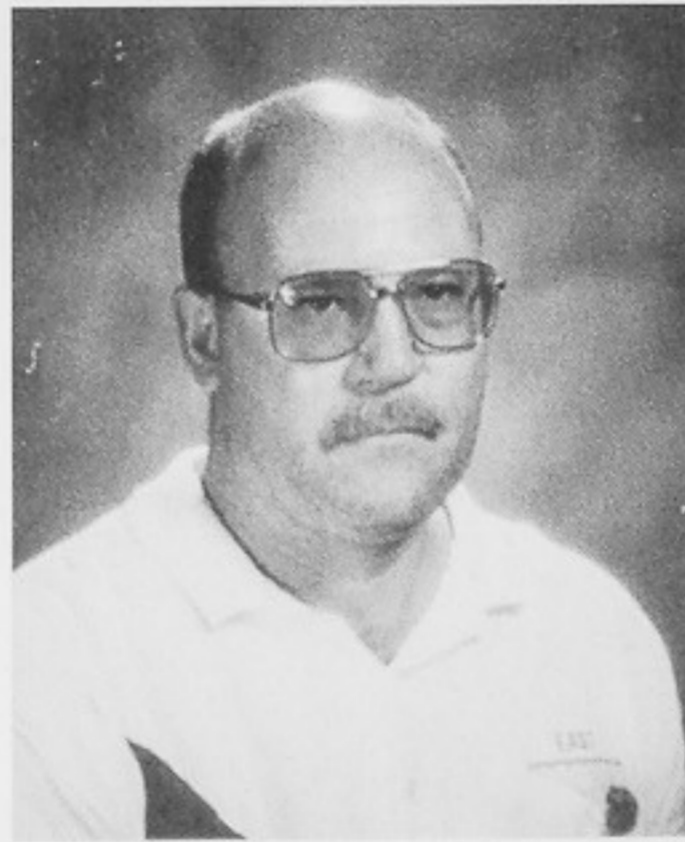
Mr. Weinfurter stands with some students from Harding. He is our new Superintendent.



## Our Cooks and Bus Drivers



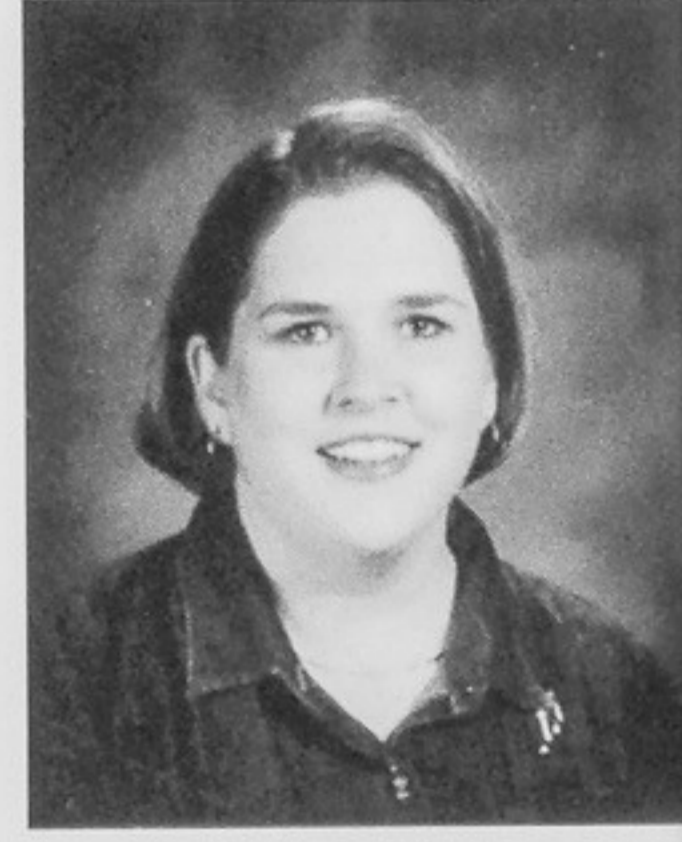
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Lang. Arts & Yearbook Advisor



Rick Hopkins  
Physical Education & Athletic Director



Dave Huffman  
Librarian



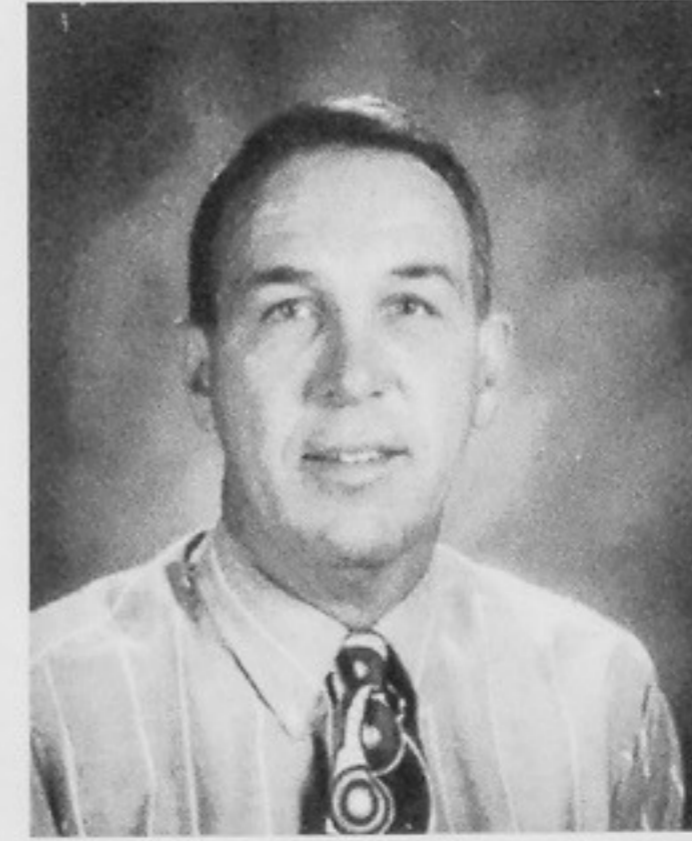
Rhonda Johnson  
Vocal Music



Scott Jones  
Middle & High School Band



Joe Knapp  
Principal



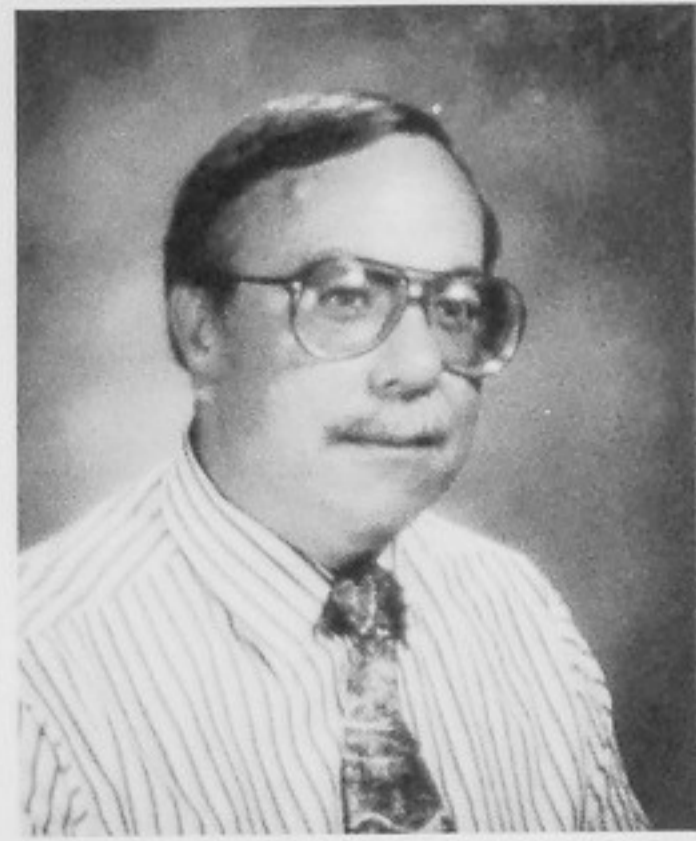
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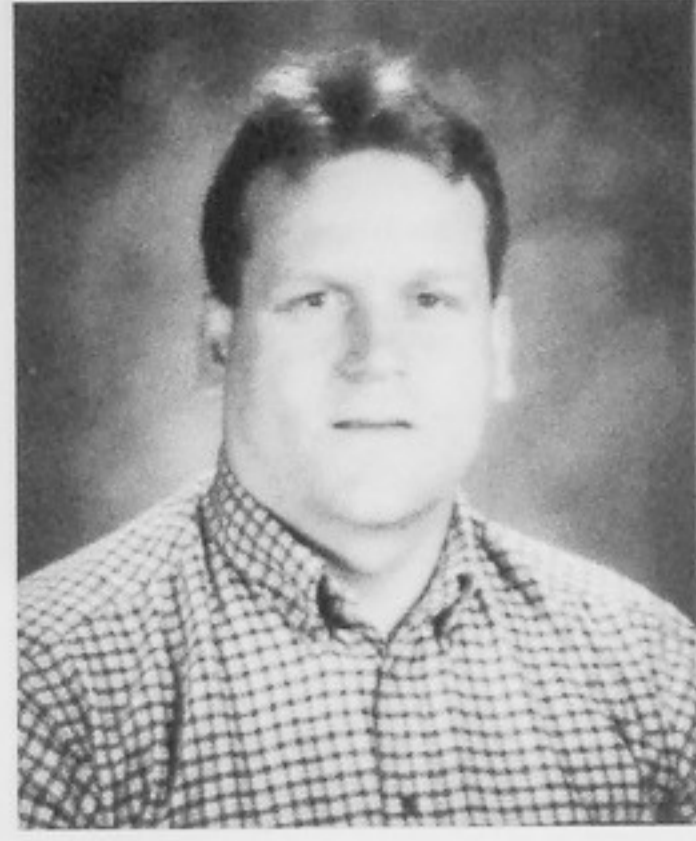
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High School Science



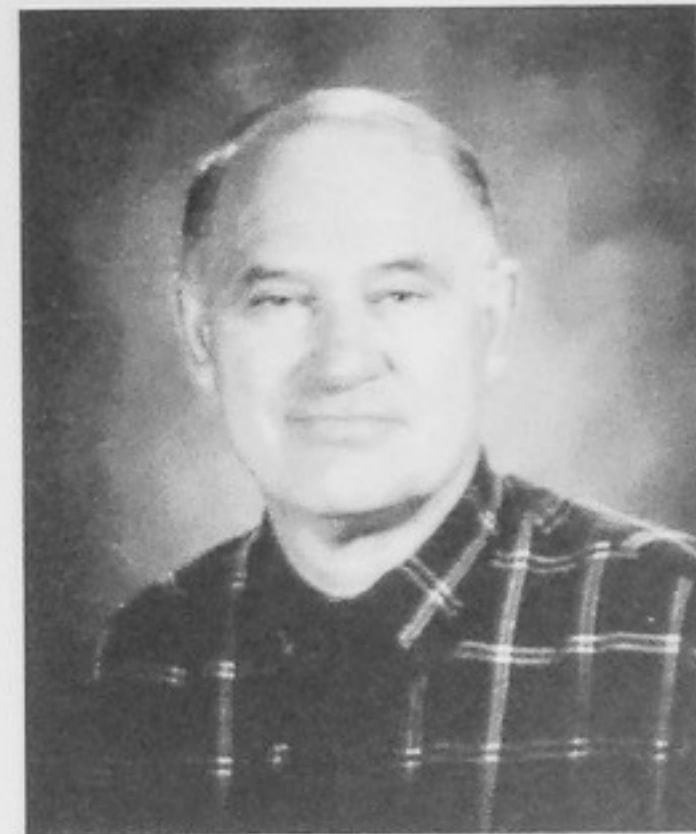
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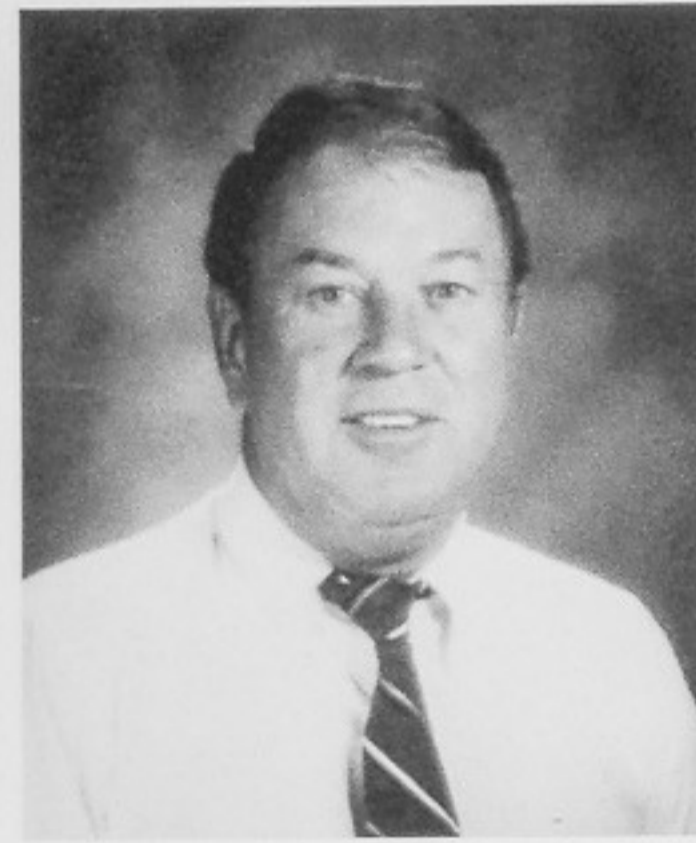
Richard MacAlister  
Industrial Arts



Howard McGraw  
Middle & High School English



Ron Mercer  
Middle & High School English



Dave Miller  
Science & Physical Education



Shirley Naperkowski  
Secretary



Rick Odle  
Social Studies



Sandy Odle  
Home Economics



Peggy Ruggiero  
Spanish



Stephanie Voglesong  
Middle School English



Karen Walker  
Secretary



Mike Welton  
Math



Donna Workman  
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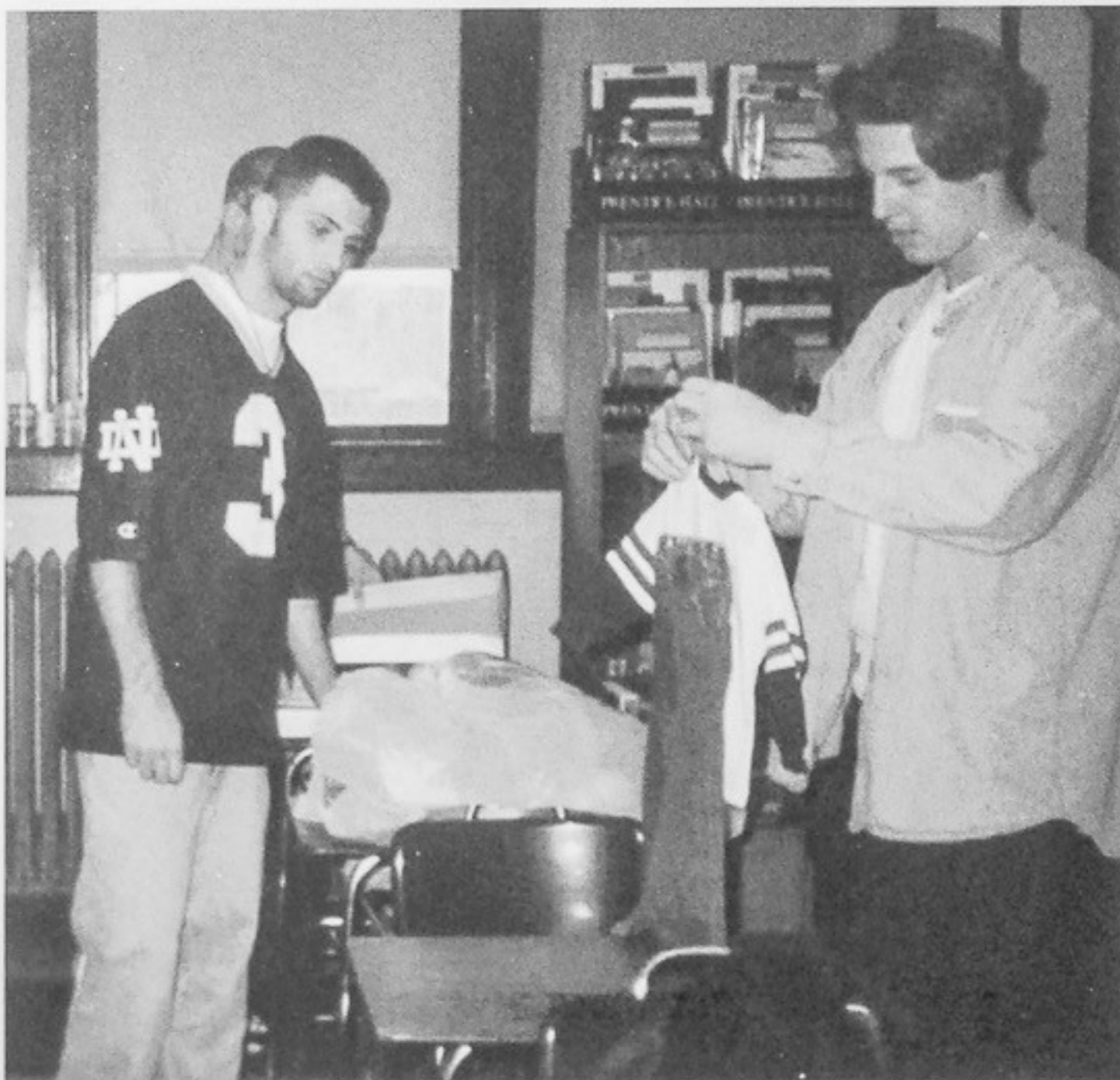
Mr. Knapp, Principal

Willie Fletcher paints a Tartan football player on the wall of the Industrial Arts room for an Art project. Willie's art abilities will forever be displayed on the walls of East High School.

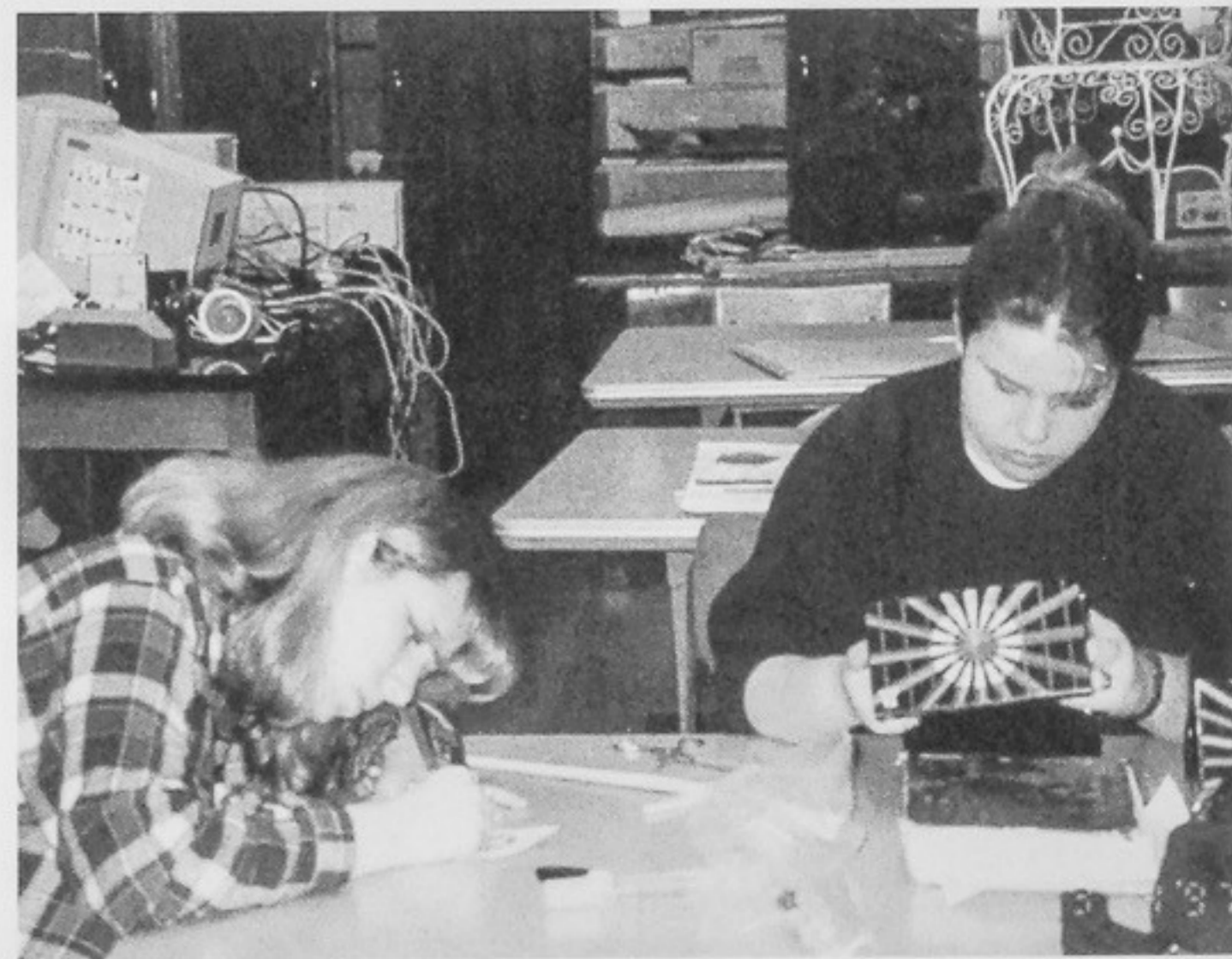
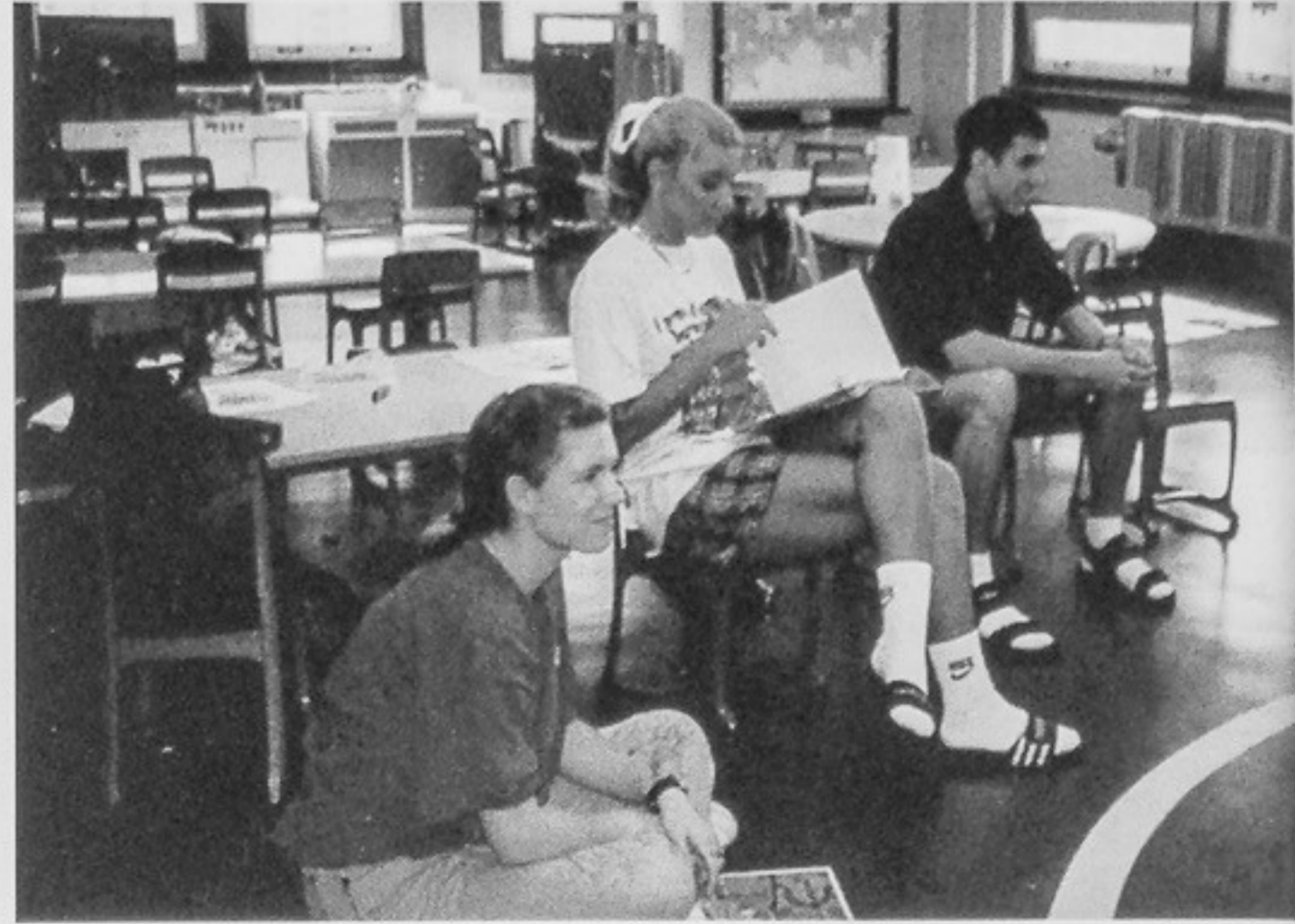


JOGS President Chris Chambliss and member Dustin Paxson wrap presents before they perform their duties as Santa's Little Helpers. This Christmas the JOGS students helped out a needy family by buying them clothes, coats, and toys.

Shelby Davis and Kent Piatt team up to work on a spread for the Tartan Spirit Yearbook. The Yearbook Staff worked long and hard to complete the '97 Yearbook.



After creating their own books in Creative Writing, Jessica Rose, Amanda Munion, and Matt Ketter wait to read them to students at Harding Elementary. Students enjoyed the new class taught by Mrs. Spradlin.



Jessica Rose and Heather Chambliss work diligently on their Art projects. The great talent of our Art students could always be seen hanging in the halls.

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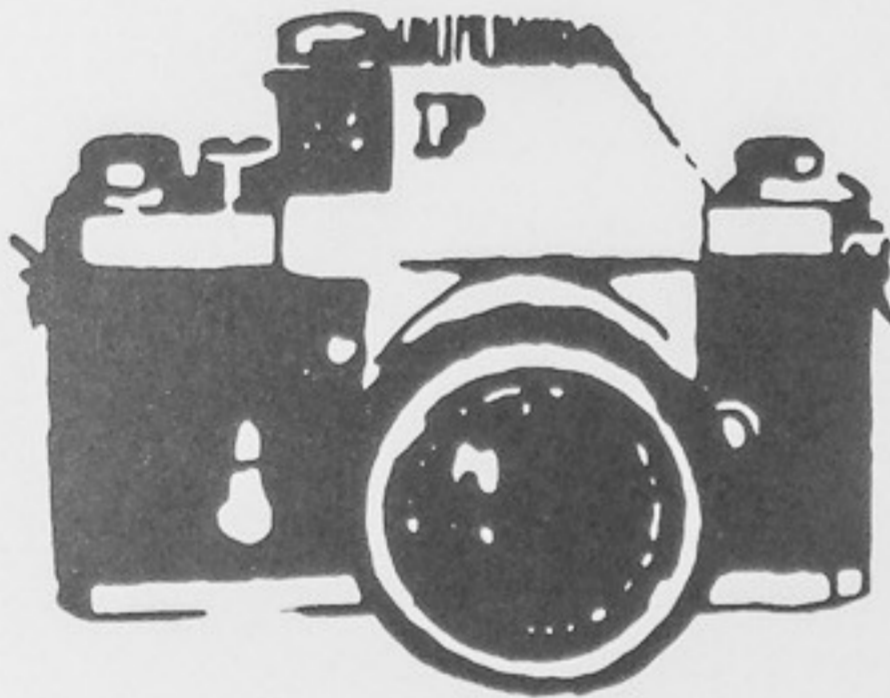
# Putting It Together

As the year progressed, the 1996-1997 Yearbook Staff found the time creeping away, and deadlines approaching faster than ever before. This year a couple of situations caused problems that continued to plague us. First, it was the tremendous rain and flooding that hit our area, then it was the ever-popular "bomb threats." Both caused the students of East High School to miss many days of school.

Even through the change of deadlines, the yearbook staff still managed to put the yearbook together for the students. Members of yearbook staff include: Seniors, Tracy Jenkins, Heather Odle, Stacey Schisler, Judy Cooper, and Emily Carter. Juniors, Christi VanMeter, Katie Gee, Lindsay Rase, Kent Piatt, and Amanda Munion. Sophomore, Vanessa Billiter. Freshmen, Shelby Davis and Megan Sherman.

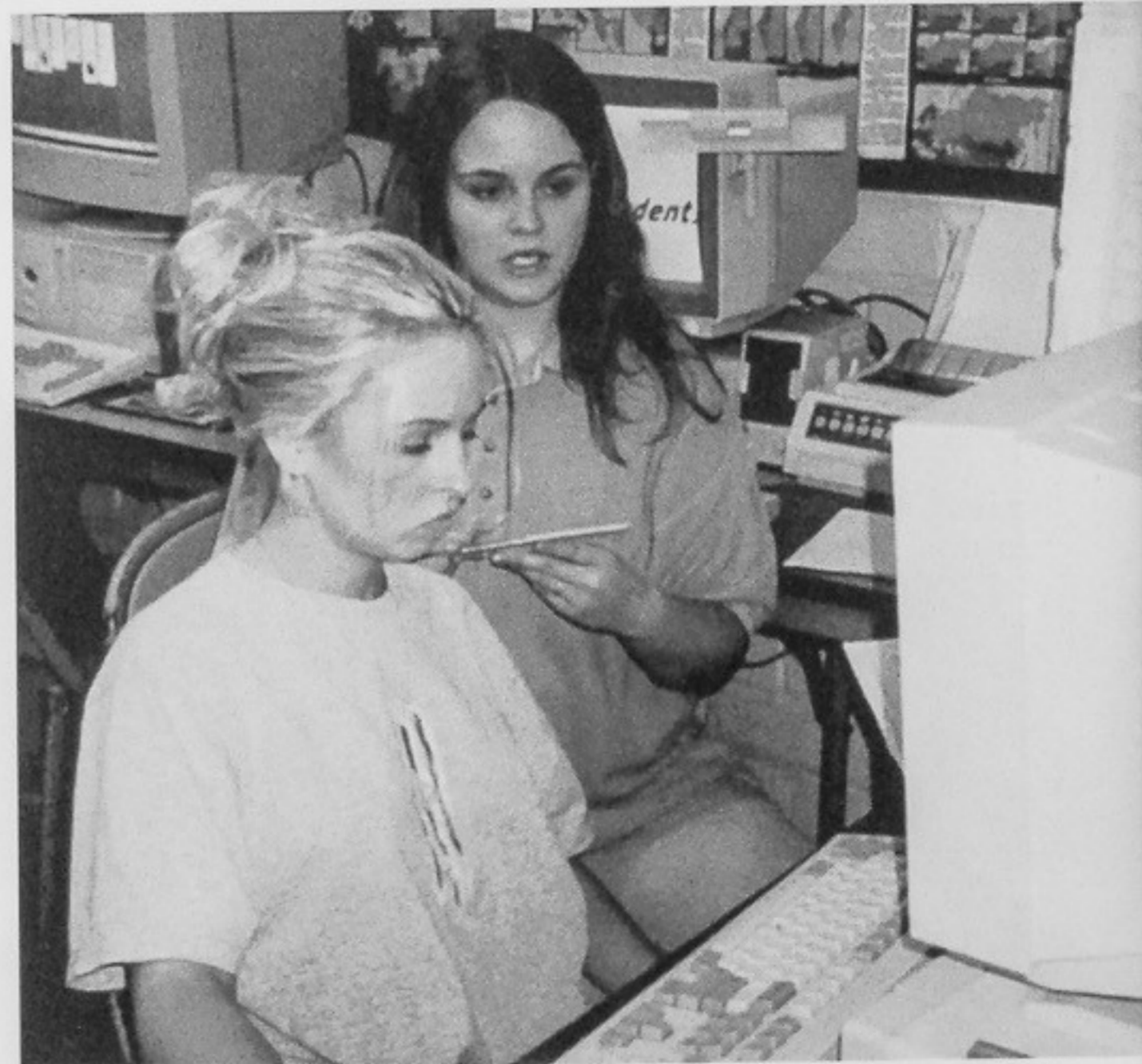
Heather Odle, Katie Gee, Kent Piatt, Amanda Munion, Megan Sherman, Christy VanMeter, Lindsay Rase, Shelby Davis, Stacey Schisler, Judy Cooper — Editor, Vanessa Billiter, Tracy Jenkins — Editor. Not Pictured Emily Carter and Advisor Pat Hendricks

The girls on the yearbook staff work diligently on picking out homecoming decorations. The yearbook staff hosted the basketball homecoming.



Stacey Schisler and Megan Sherman show how they acted during the many bomb threats this year. Stacey and Megan were great assets to the yearbook staff.

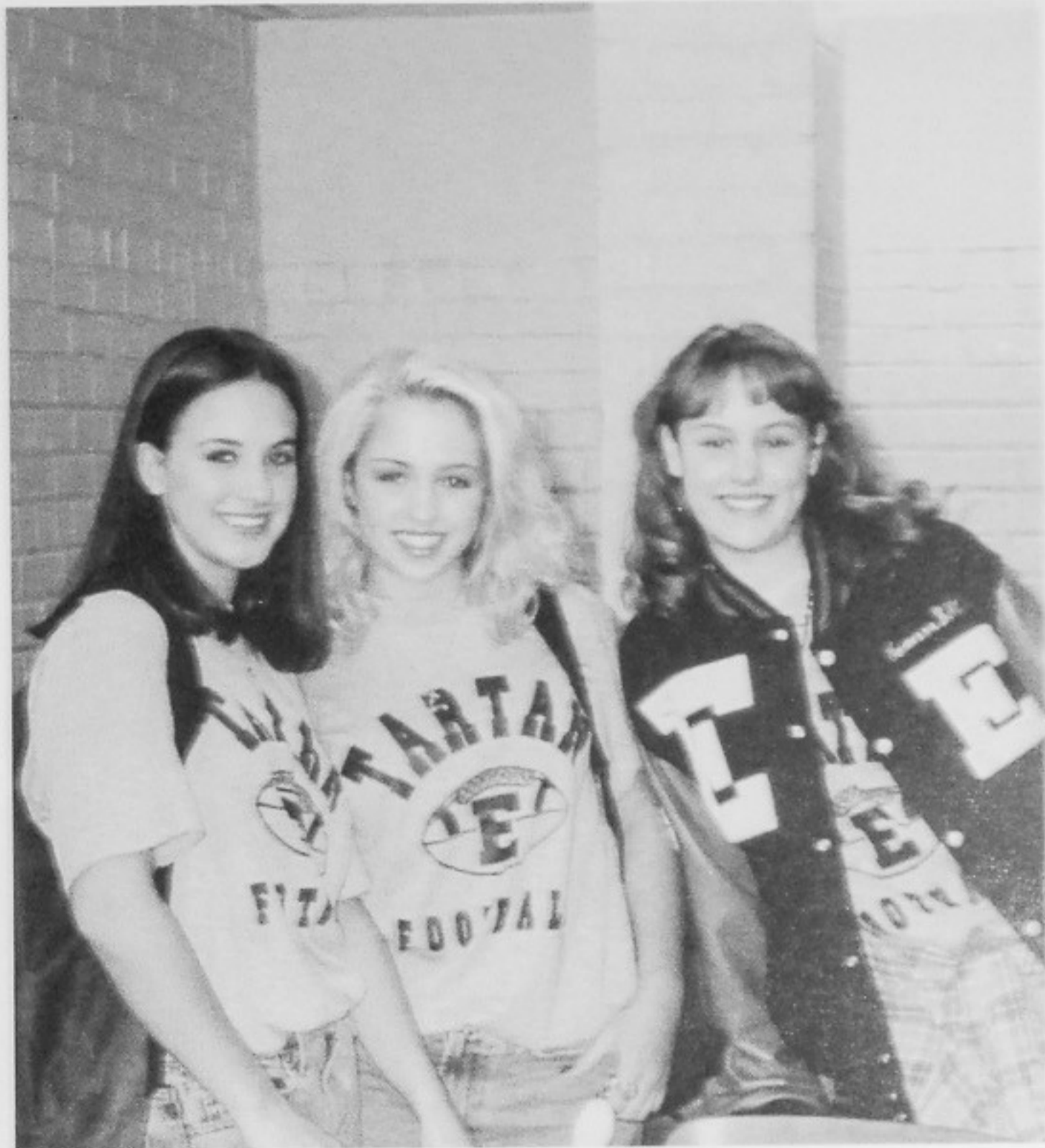
Katie Gee and Christy VanMeter work very hard putting their spread in the computer. Katie has been on the yearbook staff for two years, and Christy has been on the yearbook staff for one year.



Christy VanMeter, Judy Cooper, Lindsay Rase, Katie Gee, Shelby Davis and  
Kent Piatt stand in the doorway after a long, hard day at work on the yearbook.



Shelby Davis, Katie Gee, and Vanessa Billiter show school spirit before the pep  
assembly. All three were also cheerleaders.

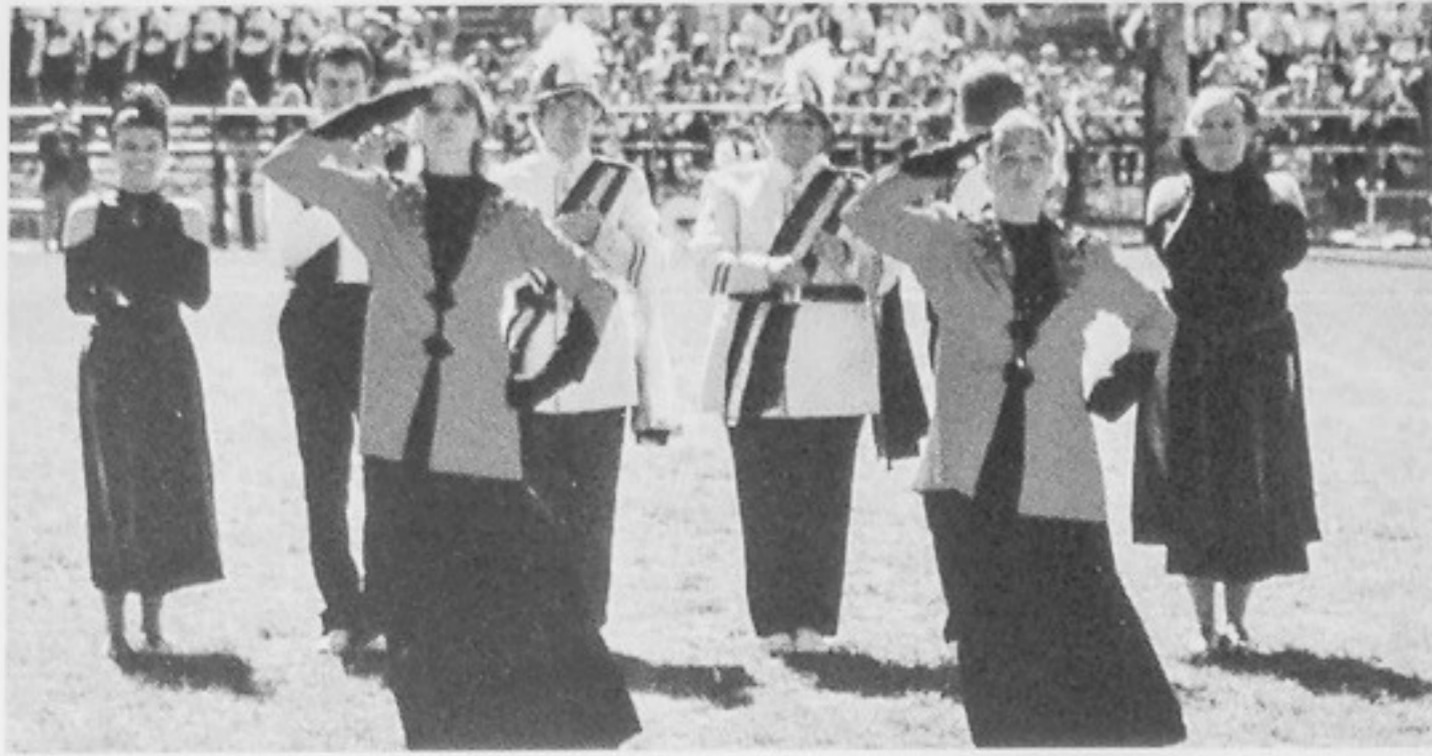


Judy Cooper, Mrs. Hendricks, Tracy Jenkins, Stacey Schisler, Heather Odle stand together after Senior  
Night. These Senior girls gave Mrs. Hendricks roses for all her hard work during the yearbook year.



Judy Cooper and Tracy Jenkins work hard on editing the  
yearbook. These two served as the 1997 yearbook Edi-  
tors.

Drum Major Aimee Forshey and Field Commander Stacy Haywood salute with pride as they accept awards at the Athens Competition. The band received "Grand Champion" at Athens.



Sophomore Lauren Bailey concentrates as she plays during the percussion feature. The percussion received many superior ratings and awards this past marching band season.

The Tartan Marching Band breaks a sweat as they break it down while performing during the River Days Parade.

# Marching To The Top

The Marching Band's hard work and dedication paid off in the 1996-97 season. The band competed in seven competitions, bringing in three Grand Champion trophies, numerous superior ratings in percussion, guard, Drum major, and overall, sweeping their class at nearly every competition. Competing in Class B, the band qualified for State Competition the first time out. They had the honor of participating with only ten other band in National Competition in Indianapolis, Indiana in October, 1996.

The band this year performed a Latin Show consisting of "Bachanal," "Spain," "Desafinado," "Sunrise La-

dy" and "One More Time Chuck Correa." The selections included solos by Seniors Josh Ramey and Aimee Forshey, Junior Mark Pollard, Sophomores Brad Bear and Adam Martin, and Freshman Adam Forshey.

The band had nine talented seniors this year: Drum Major Aimee Forshey, Guard Captain Alicia Smith, Josh Ramsey, Jason Smith, Jamie King, Erica Brown, James Meadows, Amanda Wilson, and Sonja Pauley.

In summing up this year's season, Mr. Jones stated, "I had a wonderful time, and I'm proud of the kids. I hope to have another successful season next year."

The Tartan Band brings the crowd to their feet during Pre-game by scripting "EAST" for the first time in school history.







Pit members Nick Estel, Sonja Pauley, and Craft groove during "Sunrise Lady."

Justin Williams and McKenzie Kleinman psych up the football crowd and team with "Hang On Sloopy," just one of the exciting pep songs the band played during games.

Grand National Championship's was the highlight of this year's Tartan Marching Band's season. This took place in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Senior Josh Ramsey marches one of his final shows on Tartan Turf. Over his six year marching career, Josh received numerous soloist awards.



# We'll Always Be Together!!

This year the Madrigals show consisted of exciting, upbeat songs. It took lots of hard work to learn the dances and the songs. The opener was "Gotta Sing-Gotta Dance," followed by a combination of

"This Joint is Jumpin'" and "It Don't Mean a Thing." The ballad "Letting Go" slowed things down just in time for the Madrigals to catch their breath for the second half of the show. The next song came

from the musical Grease, "We'll Always Be Together." The closing number this year was "Footloose."

The Madrigals also competed at several show choir com-

petitions. Throughout the year they collected a 5th place overall trophy at Marysville, a 1st place in Class C, and 4th place overall at the St. Clairsville competition.

Throughout the year, the Madrigals participated in numerous show-choir competitions. Here, they stand beside the announcement board which was put up after receiving fourth place overall at the St. Clairsville competition.

"Are we done yet?" The Madrigals started off the year with the required choreography session. The choreographer for the 1996-97 show was Scott Lundy from Indianapolis, Indiana.

The Madrigals played cupids on Valentine's Day this year, spreading love and cheer throughout the school.



With the new dresses sparkling in the lights, the Madrigals entertain the audience with the opener, "Gotta Sing!". This year's show was a big success.



This year the Madrigals participated in various fundraisers to reduce the cost of their trip to Atlanta.



This year Director Rhonda Johnson will be losing twelve seniors who will be hard to replace. "Letting Go", the name of the ballad, fits this year as they prepare to head their own ways.

Sophomore Ryan Keys and Junior Mark Pollard ask for refills and take people's plates during the Annual Dinner Theater. This event is looked forward to every year because it is the first time the show is performed.

Front L-R: Stacey Schisler, Jamie King, Tracy Jenkins, Mike Collins, Matt Justice, Chad Monroe, Adam Forshey, Misty VanMeter, Mark Pollard, Aimee Forshey, Sarah Evans, Erica Brown, Lanie Kaltenbach, Jamie Whitt, Karen Luther, Michael Stapleton, Tina Cantrell, Mark Jenkins, Matt Hammer, Rachel Stapleton, Amanda Murray, Shane Henry, Adam Martin, Katie Stapleton, Josh Rawlins, Kara McGraw, Chris Craft, Charity Lewis, Vanessa Billiter, Dustin Payton, Brad Bear, and Kelli Day. Director: Miss Johnson.

# The Madrigals Went Down To Georgia!!

The 96-97 Madrigals had a very successful year. With success comes rewards, and a trip to Atlanta definitely seemed like a good reward.

While in Atlanta, Georgia, they visited the World of Coca-Cola, the Atlanta Underground, Hard Rock Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Q-Zar Laser Tag Arena, Six Flags Over Georgia, and topped it off with

an Atlanta Braves game in their new stadium.

The Madrigals were scheduled to perform on Saturday at Six Flags, but due to the rainy weather, the performance was cancelled.

Overall, the trip became one more success to add to their achievements. Memories were made that will never be forgotten!



Senior Tracy Jenkins and Madrigals director Miss Johnson pose for a picture in front of the Planet Hollywood in Atlanta. This year was a memorable one for both.



Six Flags Over Atlanta was one of the highlight events of the trip. Even though they did not get to perform, the Madrigals still took time to show off their outfits.



Some of the Madrigals treated themselves to dinner at the Hard Rock Cafe, while others went to Planet Hollywood. They saw many historical places, and enjoyed many other places, including the Hard Rock.

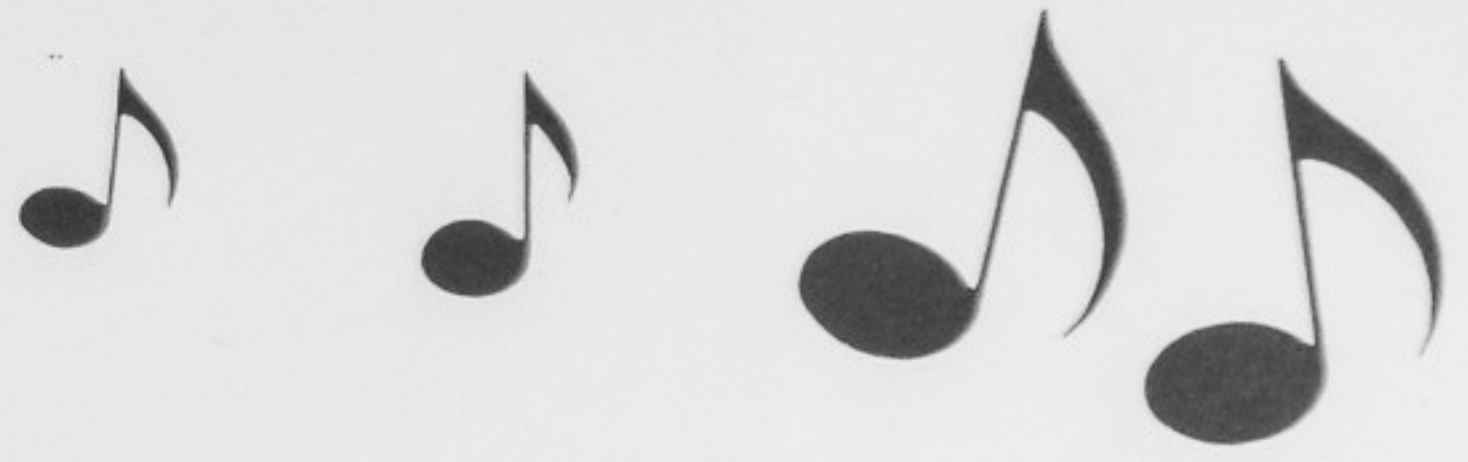


Heads up!! The Madrigals had the privilege to attend an Atlanta Braves game the last night they were there. The Braves won, and the Madrigals enjoyed their last night together in the Peach State.



Jamie King, Erica Brown, and Mike Collins fight over who gets through the aisle first. The Madrigals had many fun times while riding in the bus and touring Atlanta.

# Music Appreciation and Chorus

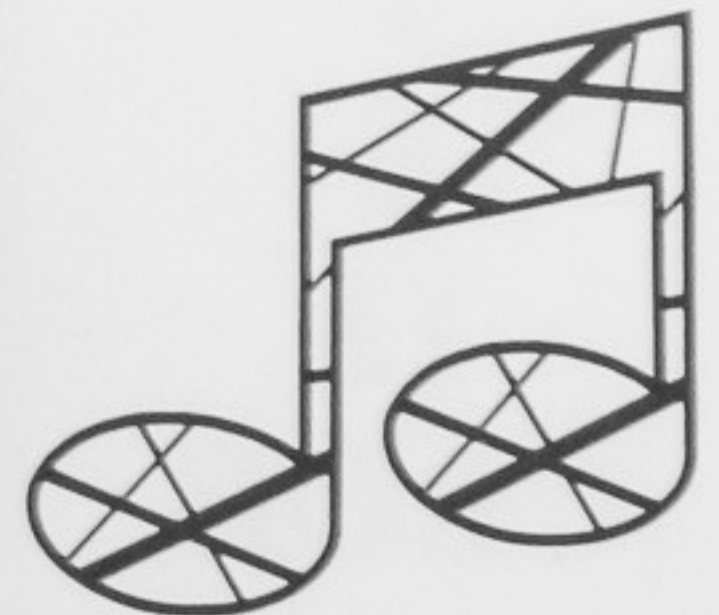


Music Appreciation is the new class that began this year to help students learn more about the history of music: Michael Stapleton, Mike Collins, Lanie Kaltenbach, and Amanda Lewis with instructor Rhonda Johnson.

The Spring Concert presented by the combined chorus and Madrigals was held on Sunday, May 18, and in the opinions of most people, it was "the best concert I have seen at any school for a long time . . ."



Front L-R: Erica Martin, Brandi Clay, Sarah Stephens, Amy James, David Arthur, Amanda Murray, Christi VanMeter, Craig Chamberlin, Lindsay Rase, Dawn Glenn, Derrick Hammond, Todd Gilliland, Misty VanMeter, Shandy Davis, Stacey Nickels, Michelle Lodwick, Andy Messer, Jeff Walburn, Mark Pollard, Bret Davis, Ryan Keys, Mike Collins, Krystal Hall, Matt Hammer, and Jarod Billiter.



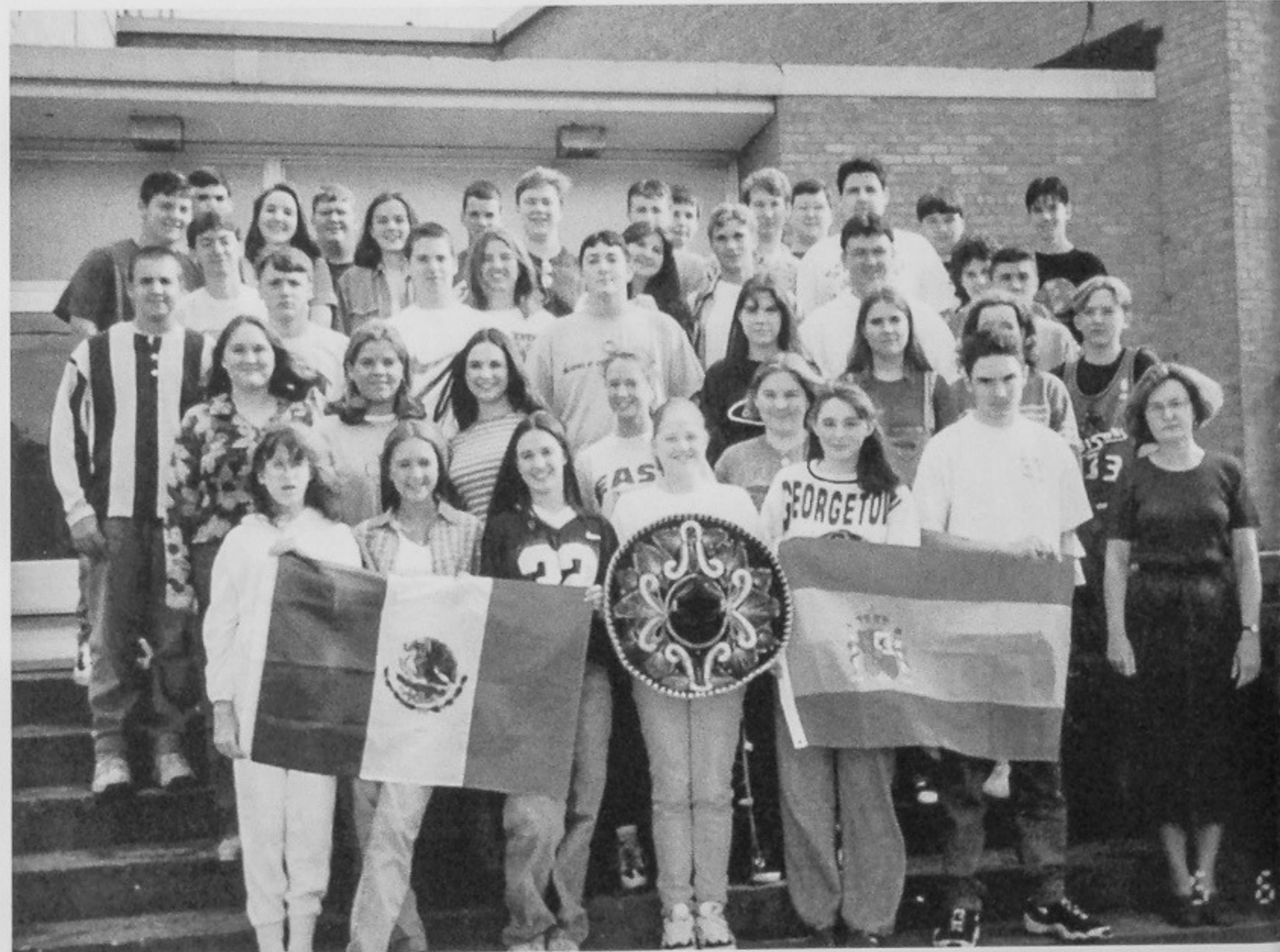
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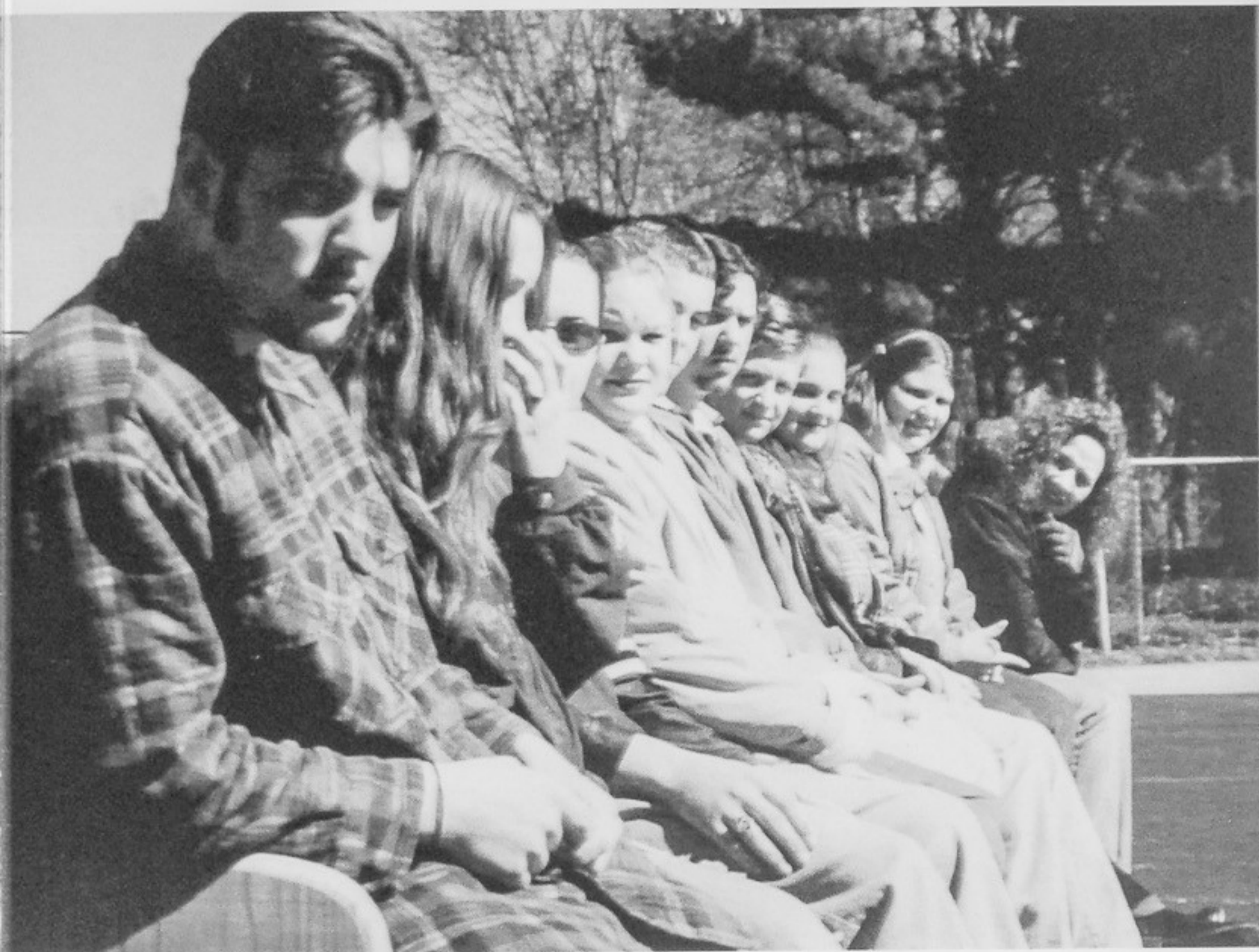
Tristan Spinski, Heather Odle, Josh Sherman, Lindsay Miller, Tracy Jenkins, and Aimee Forshey

Lauren Bailey, Mandi Lewis, Shelby Davis, Karen Luther, Debra McKinney, Jared Kalb, and Mrs. Ruggiero, Dee Montgomery, Polly Wiltshire, Brenna Davis, Charity Lewis, Vanessa Faulkner, Jenny Maiden, Elizabeth Cooper, Holly Cantwell, Ralph Boggs, Randy Cooper, Ben Etterling, Wylie Binns, Nancy McKinnon, Mike Collins, Stacy Haywood, Chris Blevins, Rusty Elrod, Billy Hafer, Matt Shaffer, Shane Henry, Ryan Jenkins, Megan Smith, Michael Spears, Megan Sherman, Jim Walburn, Brad Bear, Steven Ellsesser, Ryan Keys, Ryan Lindamood, Steven Hunter, Adam Martin, Terry Stevenson

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R: Tom Humble, Angie Sparks, Jason Haskins, Abby Beaumont, Jeff Walburn, Willie Fletcher, Jason Smith, Alicia Smith, Amanda Wilson, and Tina Cantrell.

R: Katie Gee, Jessica Rose, Heather Chambliss, Tina Cantrell, Jeremy Ketter, Kent Piatt, Shelby Davis, Debra McKinney, Vanessa Faulkner, Tracy Chew, Stacey Haywood, Stacy Young, Polly Wiltshire, Michael Stapleton, Willie Fletcher, Brenna Davis, and Lindsay Miller.



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# J.O.G.S.

## Jobs for Ohio's Graduates

J.O.G.S. Officers — include Josh Sherman, Bill Walburn, Tristan Spinski, Chris Chambliss



Jogs class: Front-Jason Armes, Tristan Spinski, Somer Otworth, Crystal Mc Gahan. Middle- John Morris, Jason Smith, Amanda Wilson, Josh Sherman, Stacey Young, Tisha Reed, Judy Cooper, Mr. Bahner. Back- Bill Walburn, Chris Chambliss, Dwane Johnson, Chad Ruggles.

The J.O.G.S. class organized "Adopt A Family" during the Christmas holidays.

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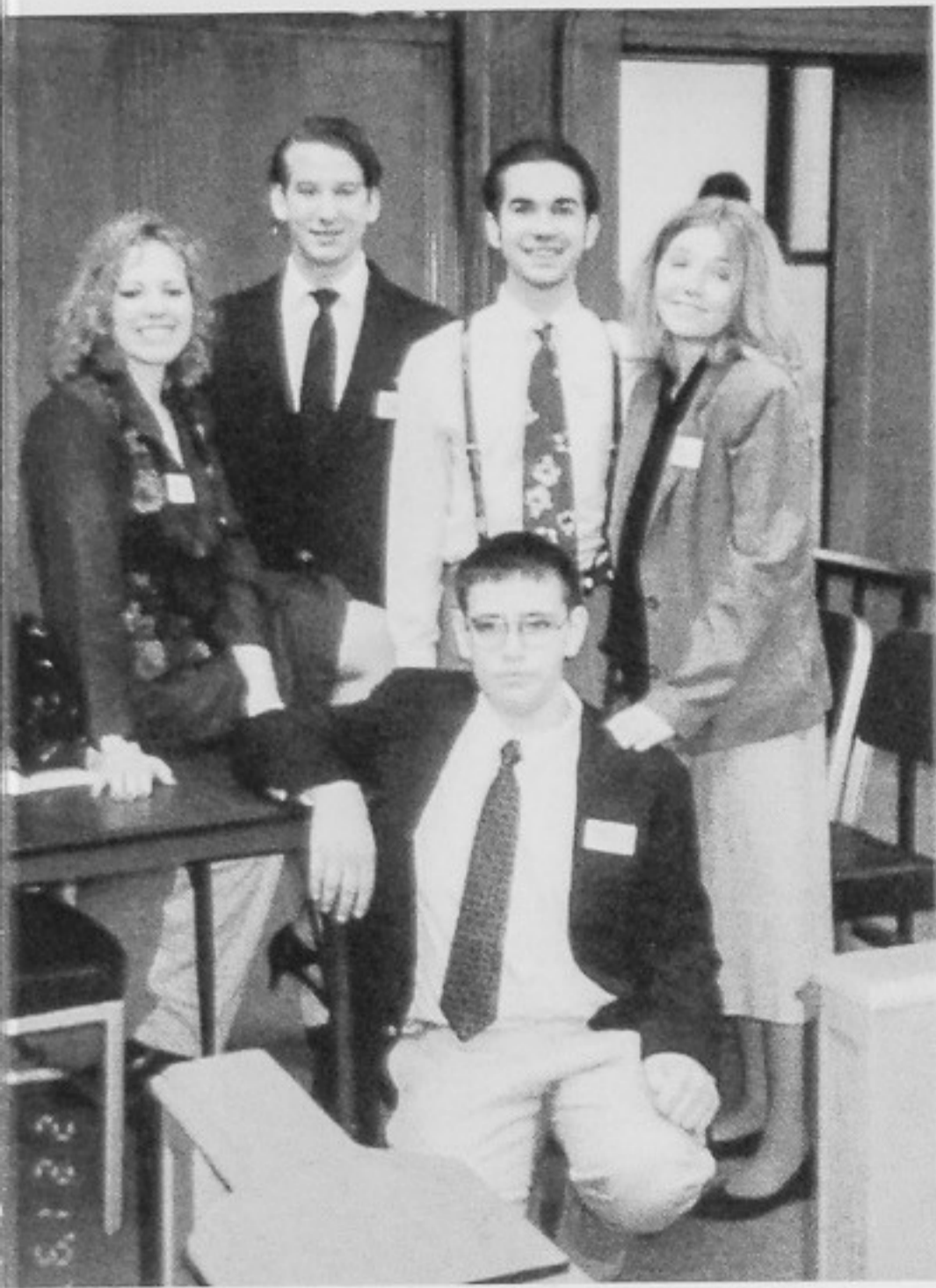
The J.O.G.S. class took a field trip to the GE plant in Peebles, OH. Pictured are Mindy, Matt, Tristan, Amanda, Willie, Emily, Dwane, Josh, Jason, John, Judy, Chad, Bill, and Advisor Dale Bahner.

Judy Cooper and Tisha Reed stand with some newly-made friends on a trip to Athens. These two went to the Ohio Career Association Conference in April.





# Mock Trial



The Prosecution: Michael Stapleton and Kate Brown were the prosecutors while Jamie King and Stephen Ellsesser were their witnesses. Ryan Keys was the bailiff for the prosecution.



The Mock Trial Team and their advisor. Front: Michael Stapleton, Ryan Keys, Steven Ellsesser. Back: Erica Brown, Jamie King, Kate Brown, Heather Odle, Advisor Mr. Ron Mercer, and Aimee Forshey.



The defense attorneys, Heather Odle and Aimee Forshey take a quick break before cross examination. This was East High's second year of participation in Mock Trial.



The Defense: Aimee Forshey and Heather Odle had the easy job of putting doubt in the judge's mind by using their witnesses, Erica Brown and Ryan Keys.



Michael Stapleton looks over during a quick consultation as if to say, "What's Next?"

Erica Brown won "Best Witness" for her role in the mock trial.

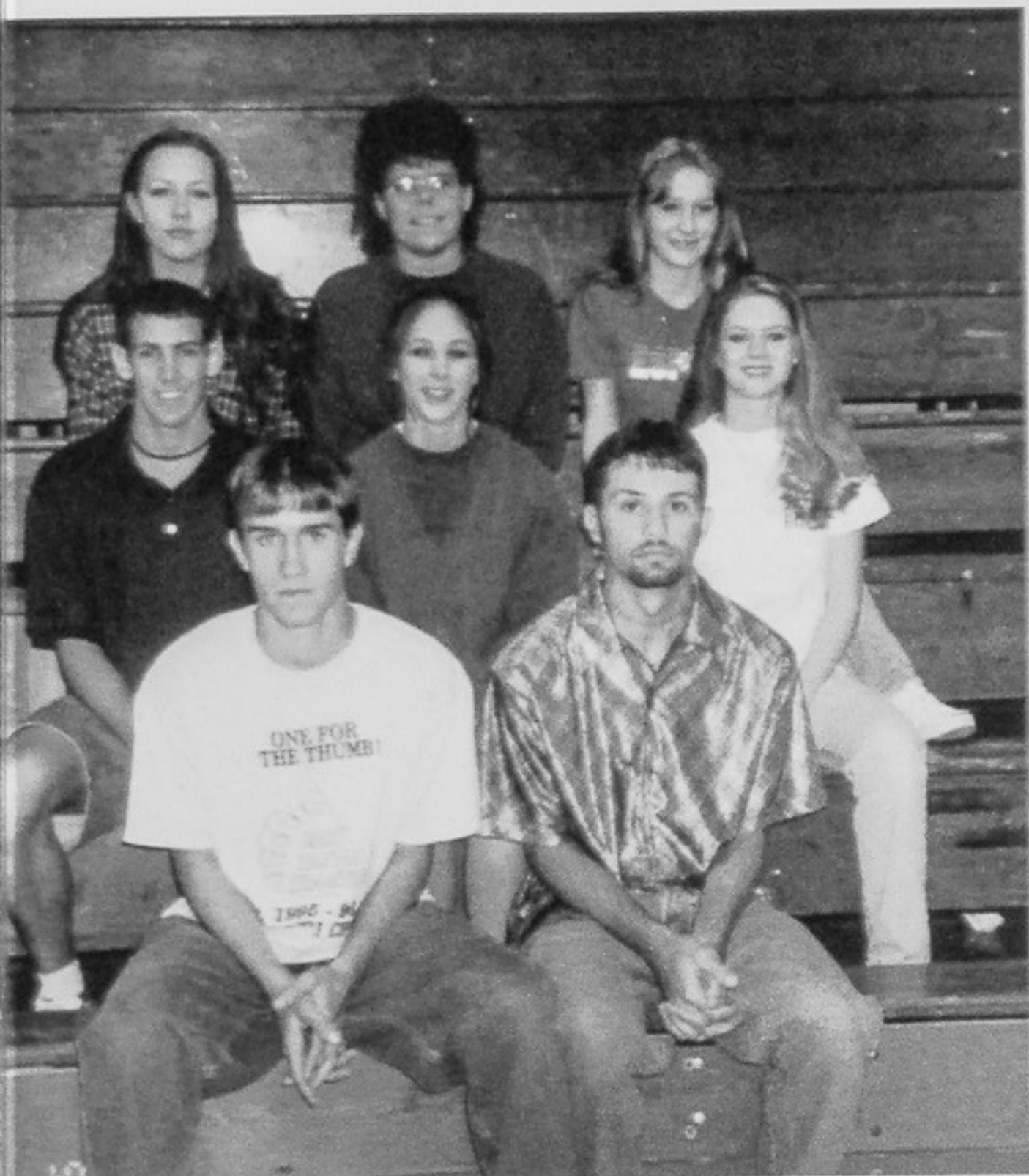
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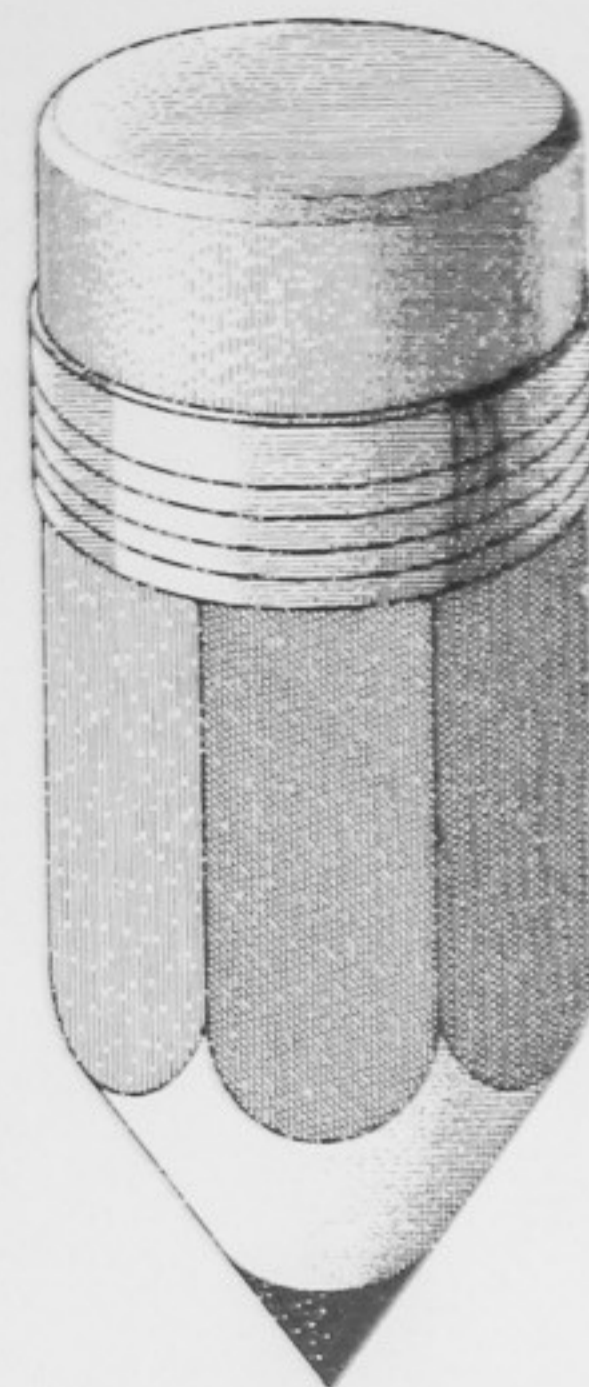


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Front Row: Jared Kennard and  
Dustin Paxson  
Middle Row: Jeremy Ketter, Angie  
Stapleton, and Heather Odle  
Back Row: Angi Sparks, Krystal Hall,  
and Amy Johnson

Dean's Office Workers: 1st Row- Chris  
Chambliss, Mr. Smith, Amanda Mu-  
nion  
2nd Row- Jamie Peterman, Jerilyn  
Bonzo, Matt Shafer, Jeremy Ketter  
3rd Row- Tish Yates, Jared Kalb,  
Jarod Billiter, Josh Rawlins, Matt Ket-  
ter  
4th Row- John Morris, Eddie Gaspers,  
Michael Moritz, Bill Walburn, Chad  
Ruggles



## Gym Helpers and Office Workers



Office Workers: Charlie Payne, Josh Craft, Chad Monroe, Lindsay Rase, Eric  
Borsley, Rusty Elrod, Judy Cooper, Matt Hammer. Not pictured: Amanda  
Munion and Tina Cantrell

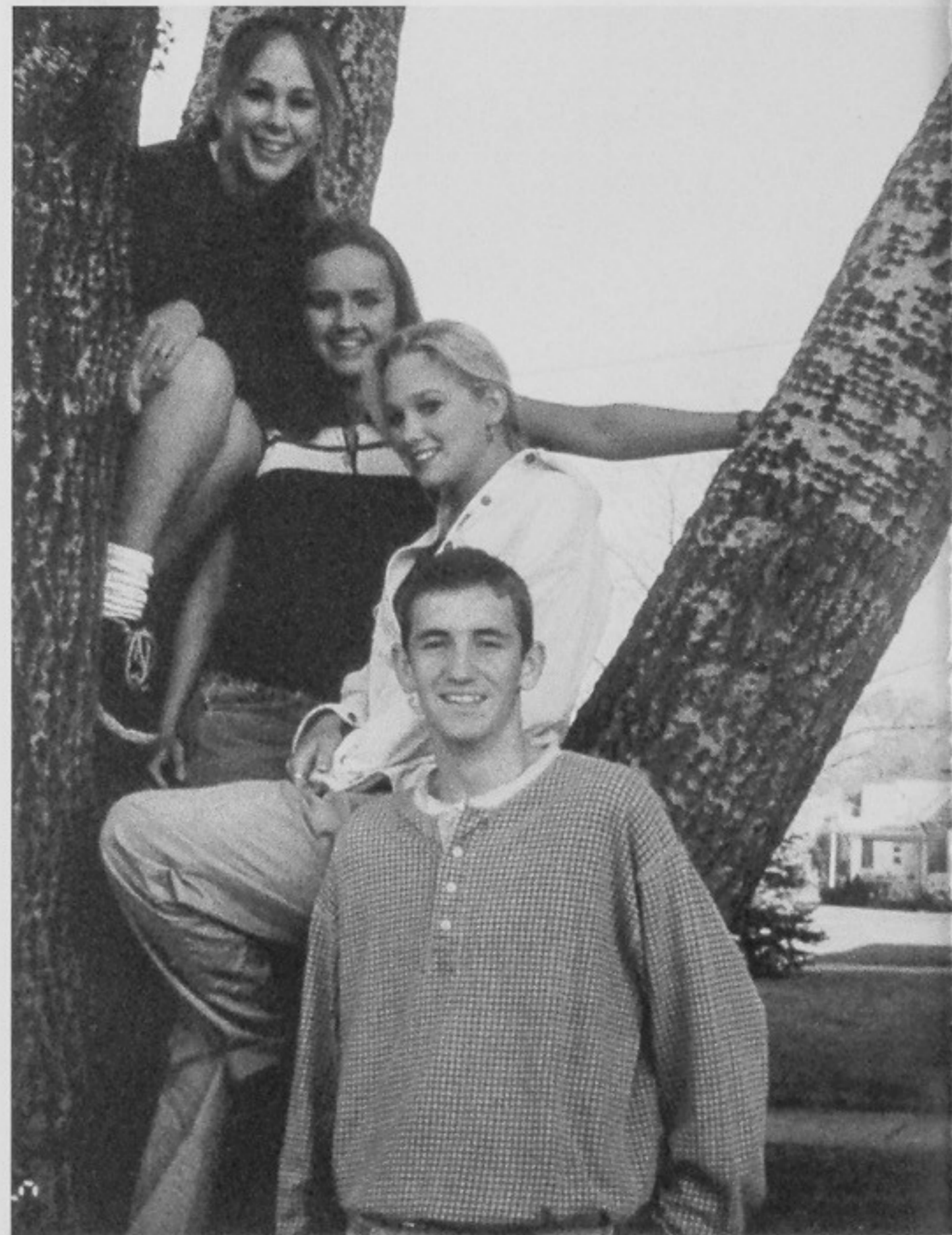


Pep Club: Row 1- Adam Martin, Matt Hammer, Tracy Jenkins, Michael Stapleton, Lindsay Miller, Tristan Spinski, Chris Chambliss Row 2- Kent Piatt, Shelby Davis, Brenna Davis, Aimee Forshey, Mandi Lewis, Heather Odle, Dwane Johnson, Angie Stapleton, Josh Rawlins, Bill Walburn, Josh Sherman, Todd Gilliland Row 3- Megan Smith, Vanessa Billiter, Dee Dee Montgomery, Charity Lewis, Vanessa Faulkner, Debra McKinney, Brett Davis Row 4- Katie Gee, Polly Wiltshire, Lindsay Rase, Katie Stapleton, Diana Escamilla, Megan Sherman, Deric Paxson Row 5- Jeremy Ketter, Elizabeth Cooper, Heather Chambliss, Tracy Chew, Wylie Binns, Amanda Munion, Brad Bear, Krystal Hall Row 6- Jamie King, Emily Carter, Matt Ketter, Craig Chamberlin, Lauren Meadows



## *Pep Club and Officers*

Pep Club Officers: Angie Stapleton, Tracy Jenkins, Lindsay Miller, and Josh Rawlins

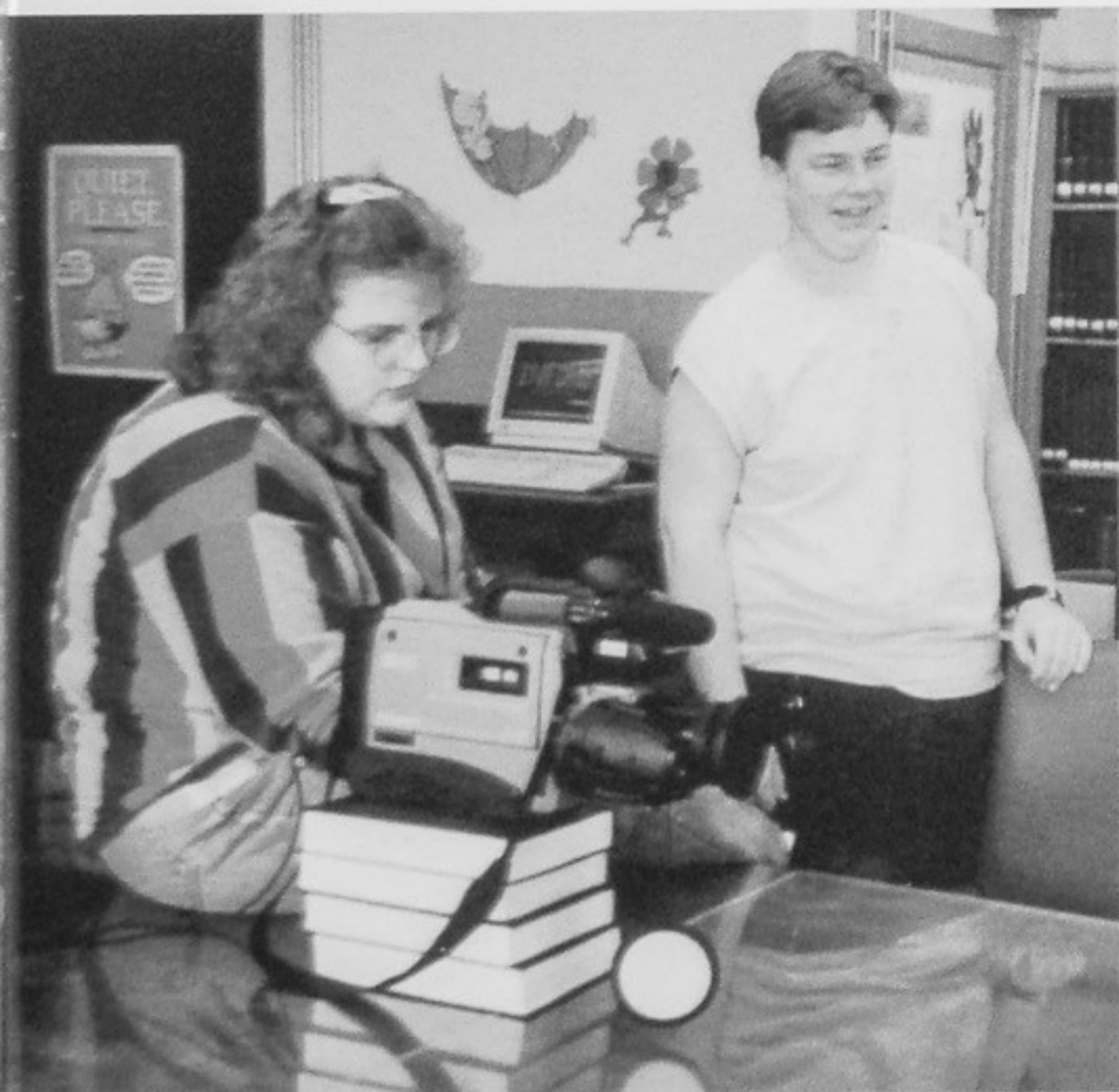


# News Crew and Media Club



News Crew: Row 1- Brad Bear, Aimee Forshey, Judy Cooper  
 Row 2- Tracy Jenkins, Erica Brown, Krystal Hall  
 Row 3- Jessica Rose, Megan Sherman, Stacy Haywood, Ryan Keys, Adam Martin  
 Row 4- Shane Henry, Debra McKinney, Jay Groh, Larry Carter

Media Club: Lanie Kaltenbach, Ryan Keys, Aimee Forshey, Erica Brown, and Brad Bear



Seniors Tracy Jenkins and Aimee Forshey patiently await the taping of the ENN (East News Network) morning broadcast. Many students arrived at school early in the morning to give their fellow students announcements over the T.V. during homeroom.

Judy Cooper and Brad Bear stand by with the camera for the morning ENN taping. Students enjoyed the opportunity to gain communications skills in the broadcasts as well as to see the news on T.V.

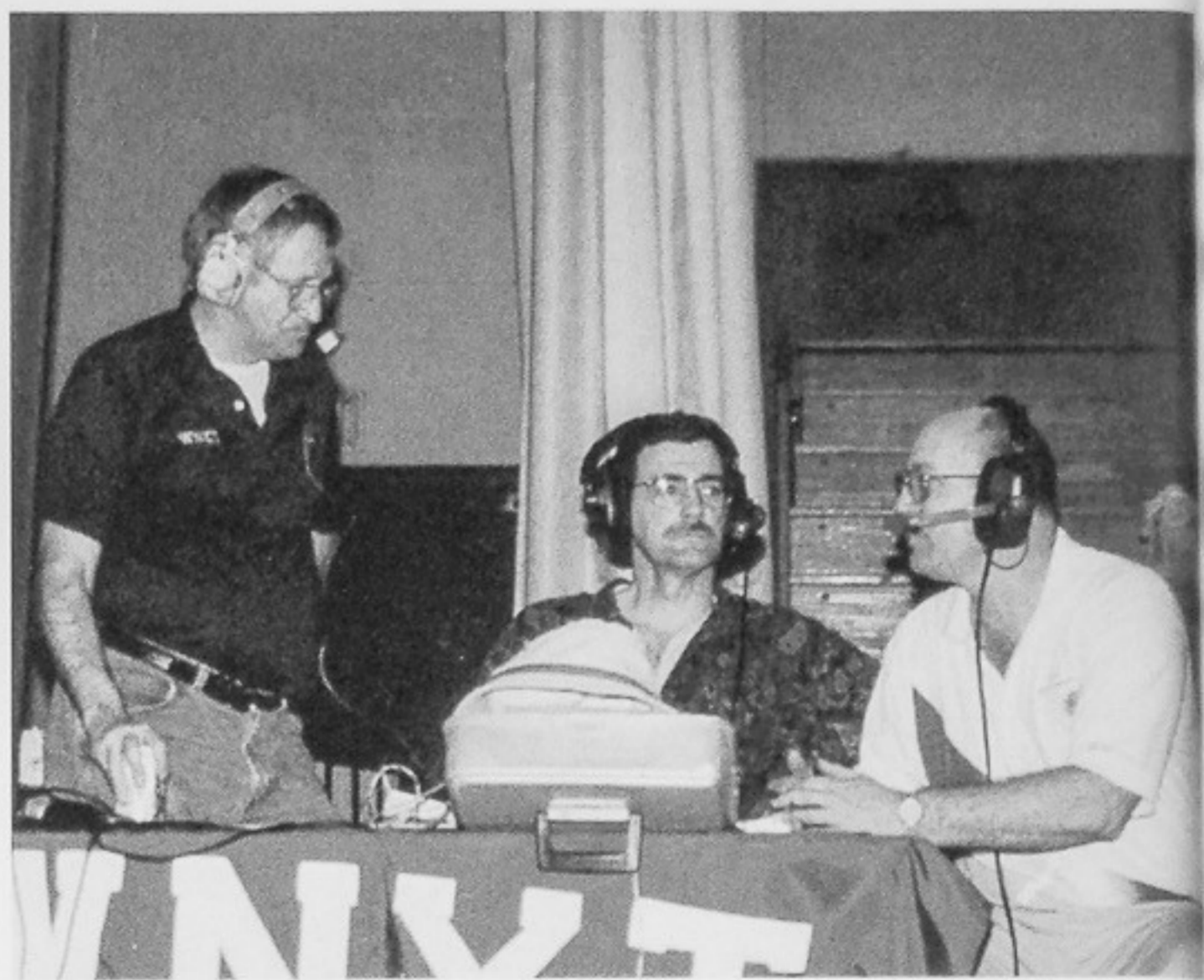
Releasing her shot, Heather Odle awaits the outcome. Being a senior, Heather cherished every moment on the court.



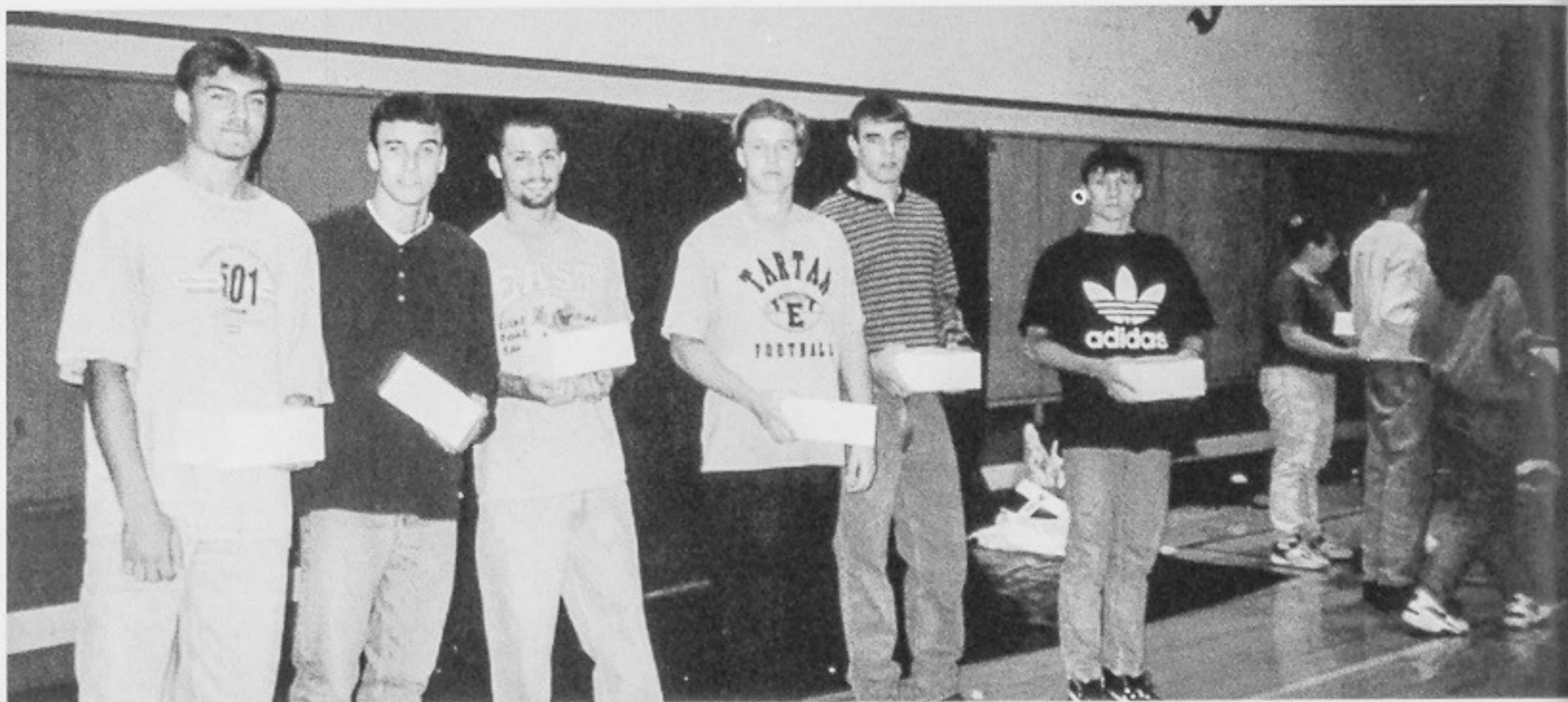
Bill Walburn dashes down field for six points at Allard Park. Bill's speed helped earn many points for the blue and grey.



Mr. Smith, Mr. DeCamp, and Coach Hopkins wrap up a broadcast from East gymnasium after a victory. The broadcasts over WNXT radio brought excitement to everyone due to the enthusiasm of these announcers.



Senior football players proudly accept their cakes at the honorary assembly held at the end of the season. Their athletic abilities will be greatly missed by next year's team.



The Tartans await to congratulate their fellow teammates after a big win against Clay. They were always willing to support each other.

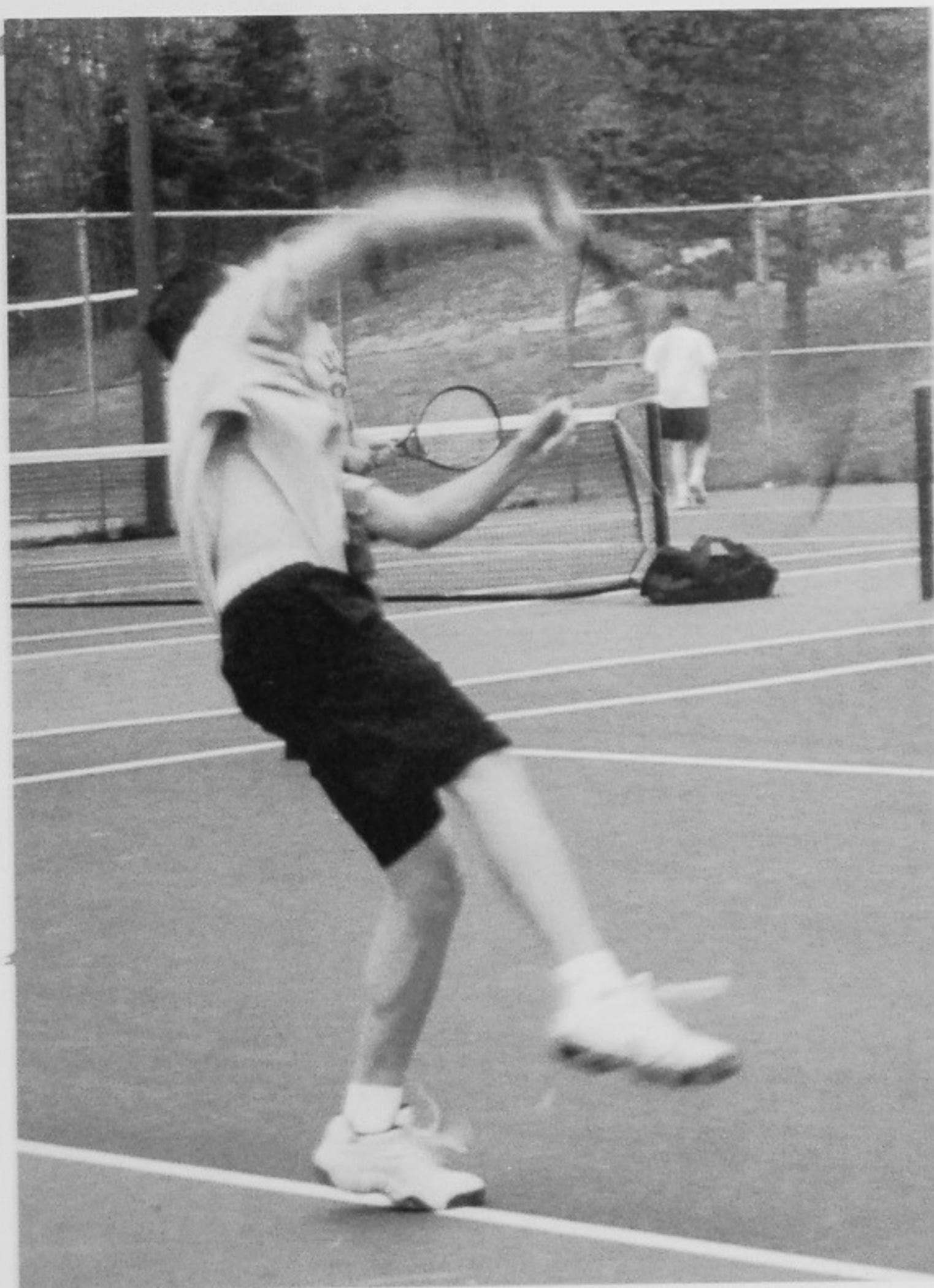


The East High Cheerleaders salute the flag while the National Anthem plays during a pep assembly. The rallies always filled the gym with many shouts and cheers.

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*Sports*



# We'll Be Back. . .

The 1996 East Tartan football team jumped back into this season with many hopes of gaining back the title they had won in 1995 as S. O. C. Champions. Although things did not quite work the way they planned, these boys played hard and put on an exciting show for the dedicated fans who continually followed the schedule.

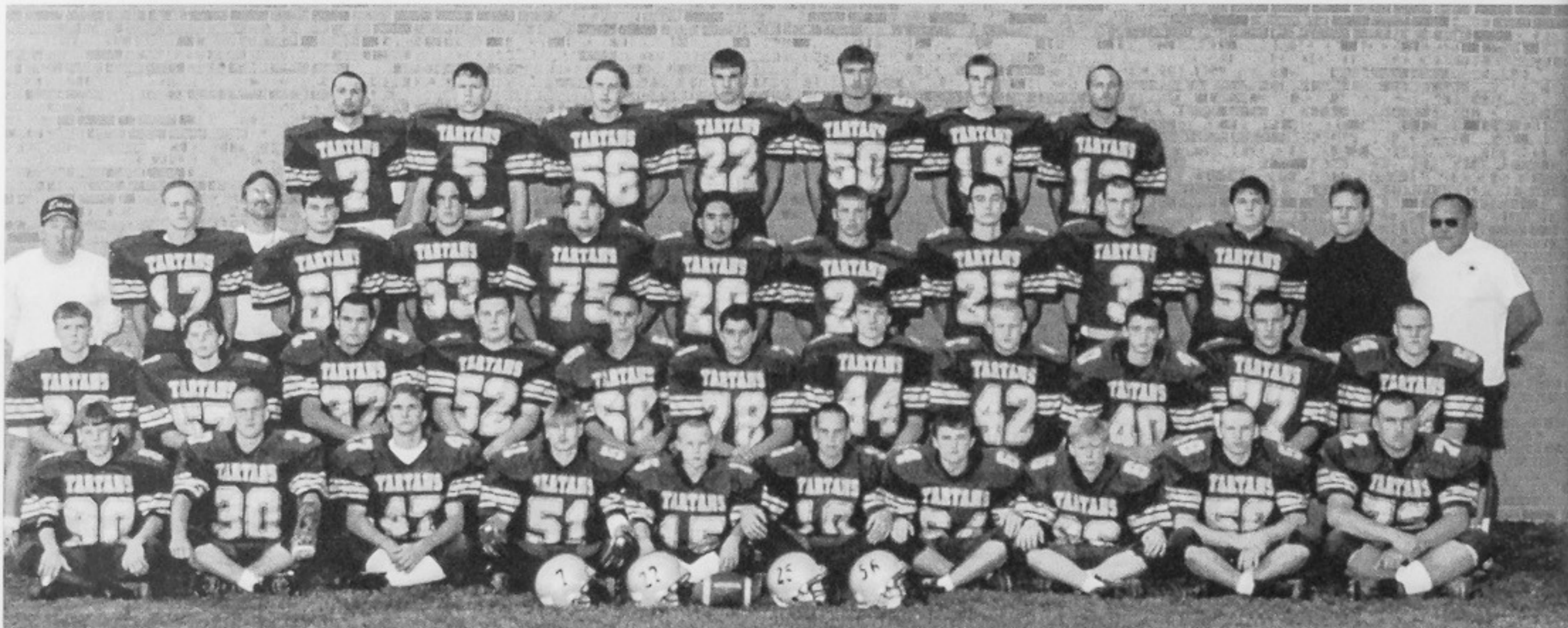
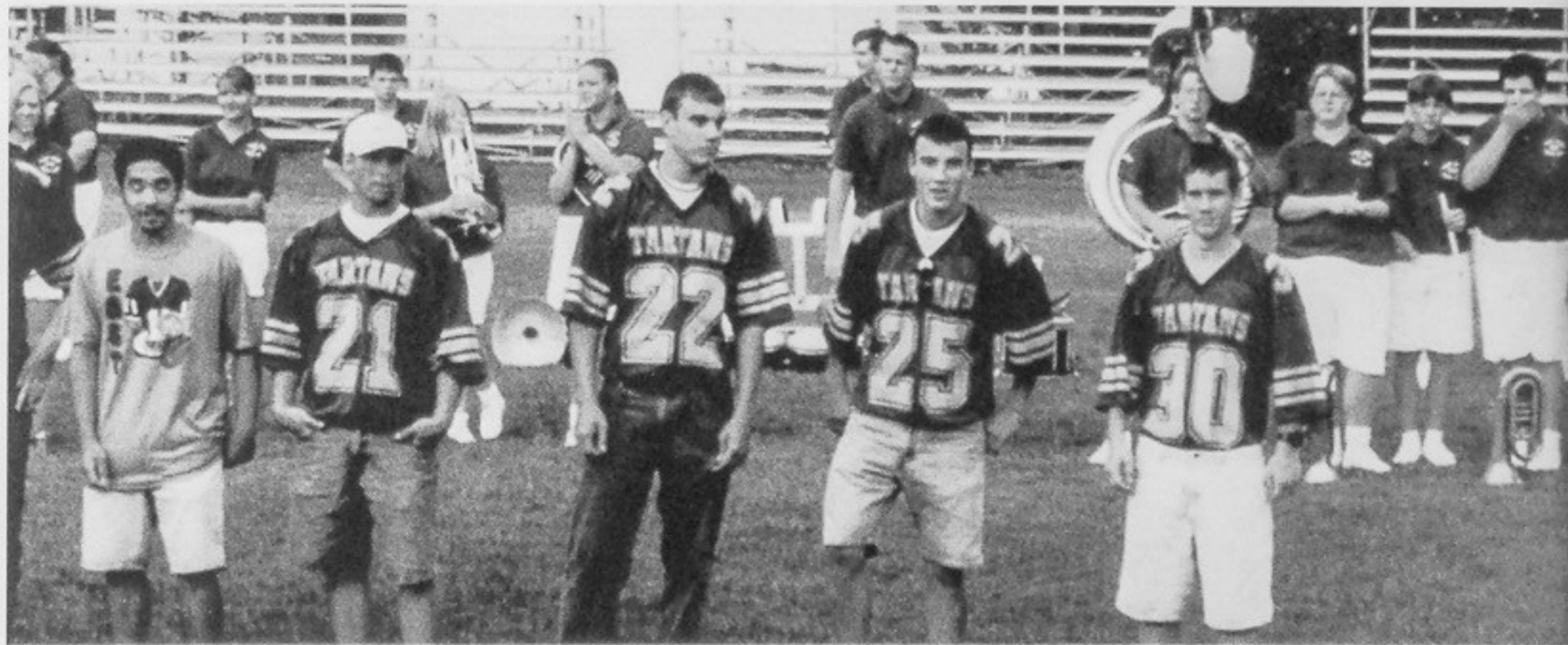
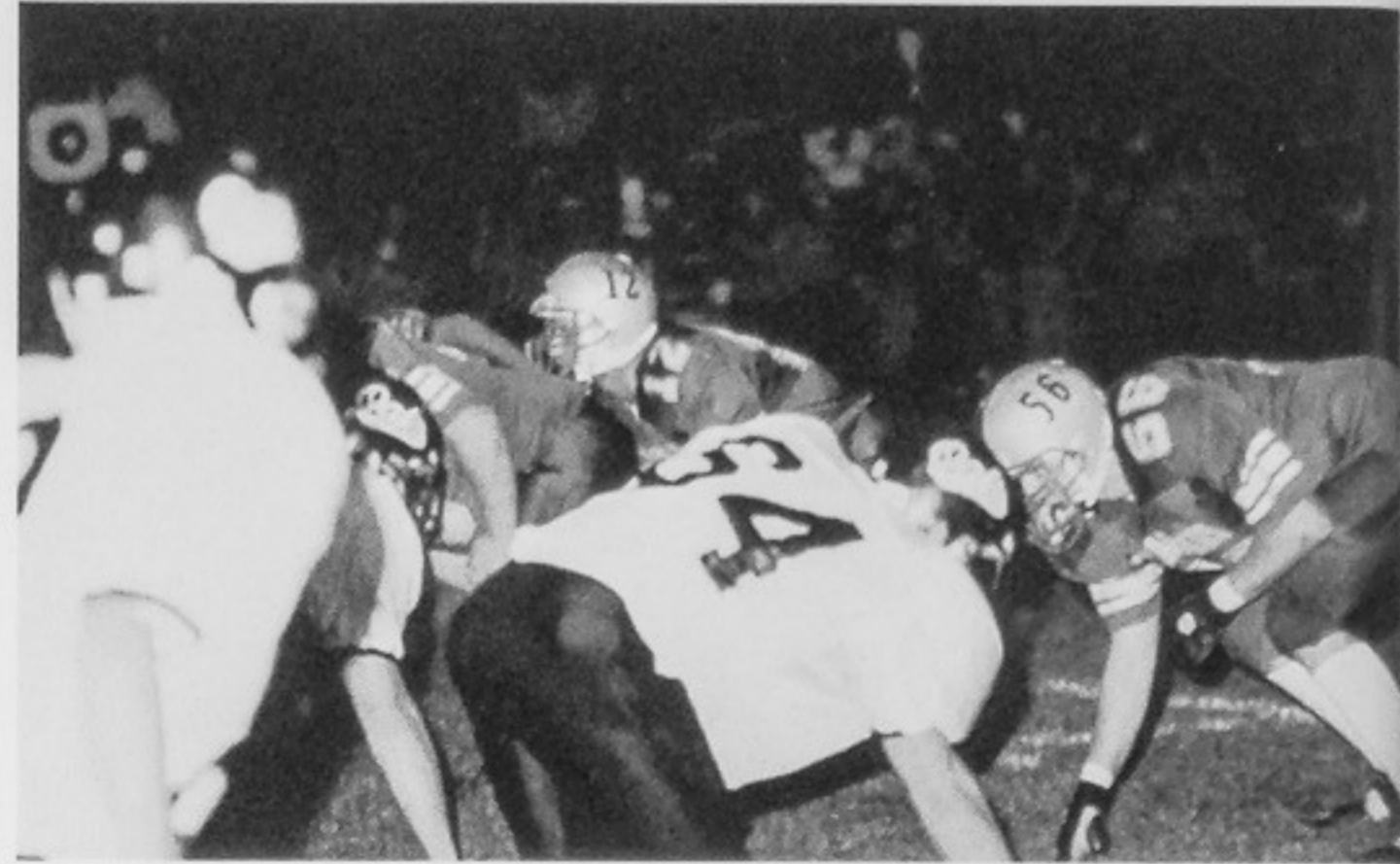
Winning the first S.O.C. game against Notre Dame 24-10, the players found the strength they needed to dive into the next contest against Valley.

The Tartans of East High concluded the season with a 4 and 6 record. The players who

Charlie Everhart, Andy Messer, Bill Walburn, and Josh Sherman and Matt Howard stand proudly in the field as the players are introduced at the 1996 Tartan Kickoff. The kickoff has become an annual event to preview the team for faithful fans before the first game.

are to return next year have many anxious fans waiting for the Blue and Grey to take the field. For the five graduating seniors, we hope someday you will look back and remember proudly your "Tartan Football Days" at Portsmouth East High.

Todd Gilliland prepares to execute the play against the Oaks. As a starter, Todd did his best to fulfill his duties as the Junior quarterback.



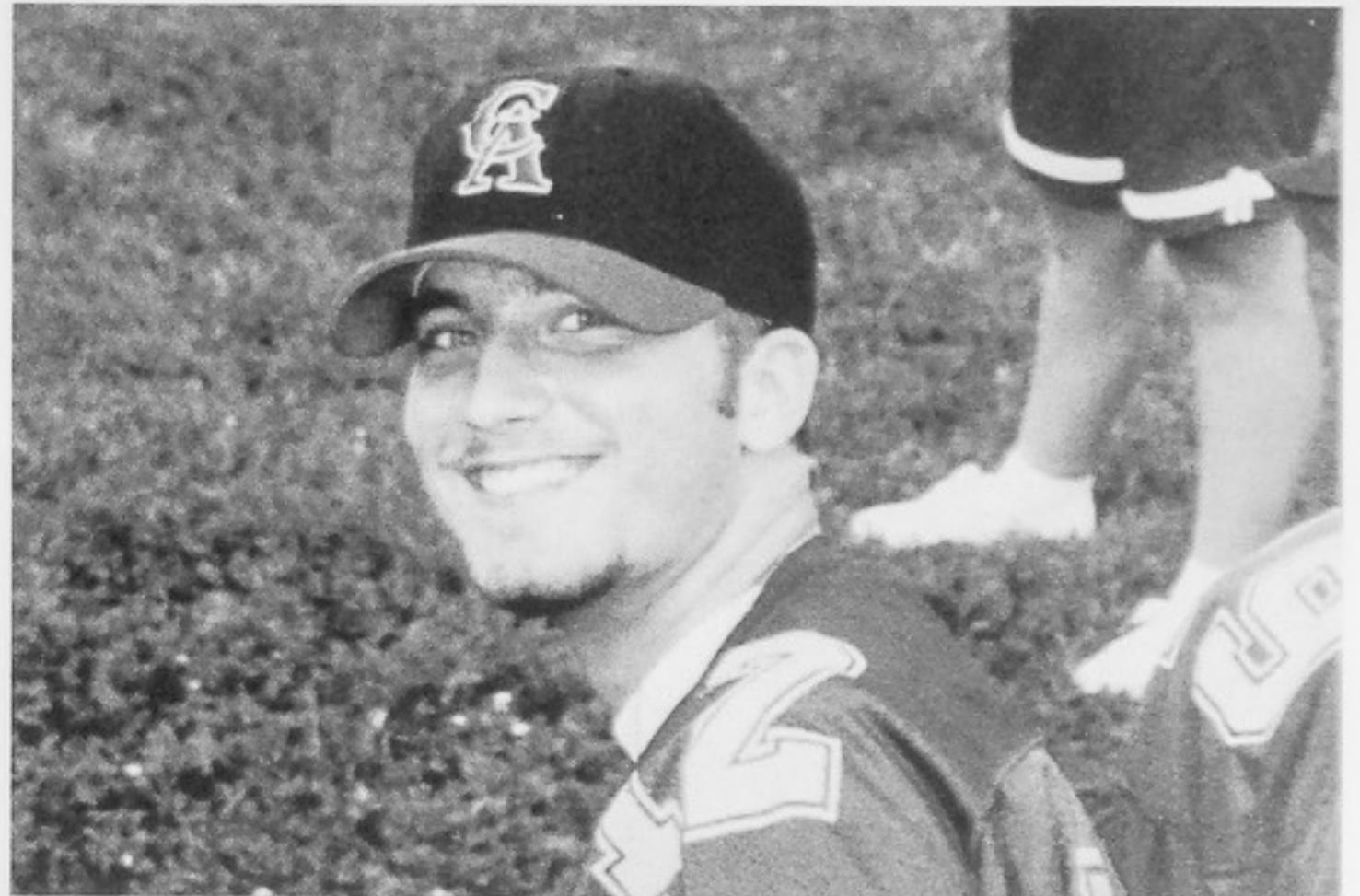
The 1996 East Tartan Football Team. Row 1-Ryan Lodwick, Matt Howard, Chris Blevins, Adam Slusher, Johnny Will, Jimmy Walburn, Aaron Musser, Terry Stone, Brian Thacker, and Rusty Conley. Row 2 - Ben Etterling, Jeremy Thacker, Eric Horsely, Matt Hammer, Ellis Gallion, Danny Jenkins, Jason Arms, Ronny Will, Billy Ogg, Andy LeMarble, and Brett Davis. Row 3 - Coach Lee, Jared Billiter, Caoch Davis, Kent Piatt, Craig Chamberlin, Joe Flannery, Charlie Everhart, Andy Messer, Josh Sherman, Deric Paxson, Matt Shafer, Caoch MacAllister, and Coach Welsh. Row 4- Dustin Paxson, Bobby Howard, Chris Chambliss, Bill Walburn, T.R. Hensley, Jeff Walburn, and Todd Gilliland.





Eluding the defense, junior running-back Bobby Howard gets ready to turn upfield. Bobby's speed and strong defensive abilities helped the Tartans to put on an exciting show for the loyal fans who attended the games.

Waiting to be introduced at the Tartan Kick-off, Todd Gilliland turns toward the camera. Todd was always willing to show off his winning smile.



After a hard drive downfield, Bill Walburn and Bobby Howard are finally brought to a stop by three rival Valley defenders. Both Bill and Bobby were awarded S.O.C. honors this season.

Senior Bill Walburn is pushed out of bounds while striving to reach the end zone. Bill's contribution to the team will be greatly missed next year.



Junior Todd Gilliland looks backfield to make sure his teammates are ready to begin the play. Todd held a big responsibility on his shoulders as the dominant quarterback on the varsity squad.



# LOOK AGAIN!!!

This season was one of learning and teaching for the Lady Tartan Volleyball squad. With three returning seniors, two juniors and an abundance of underclassmen recruits, the upperclassmen had to take on the role of teachers for all the new players.

With a new varsity coach, Coach Stephanie Vogelsong, the team had to adjust to new ways. Coach Vogelsong made adjustments on the floor and made some important decisions along with Coach Molly Addis throughout the season.

The Lady Tartans came

away with a season, better than any other season that they have recently had and were only one game away from having a .500 season. All aspects of the game were strong this year. Both the varsity and junior varsity teams showed experience in serving, passing,

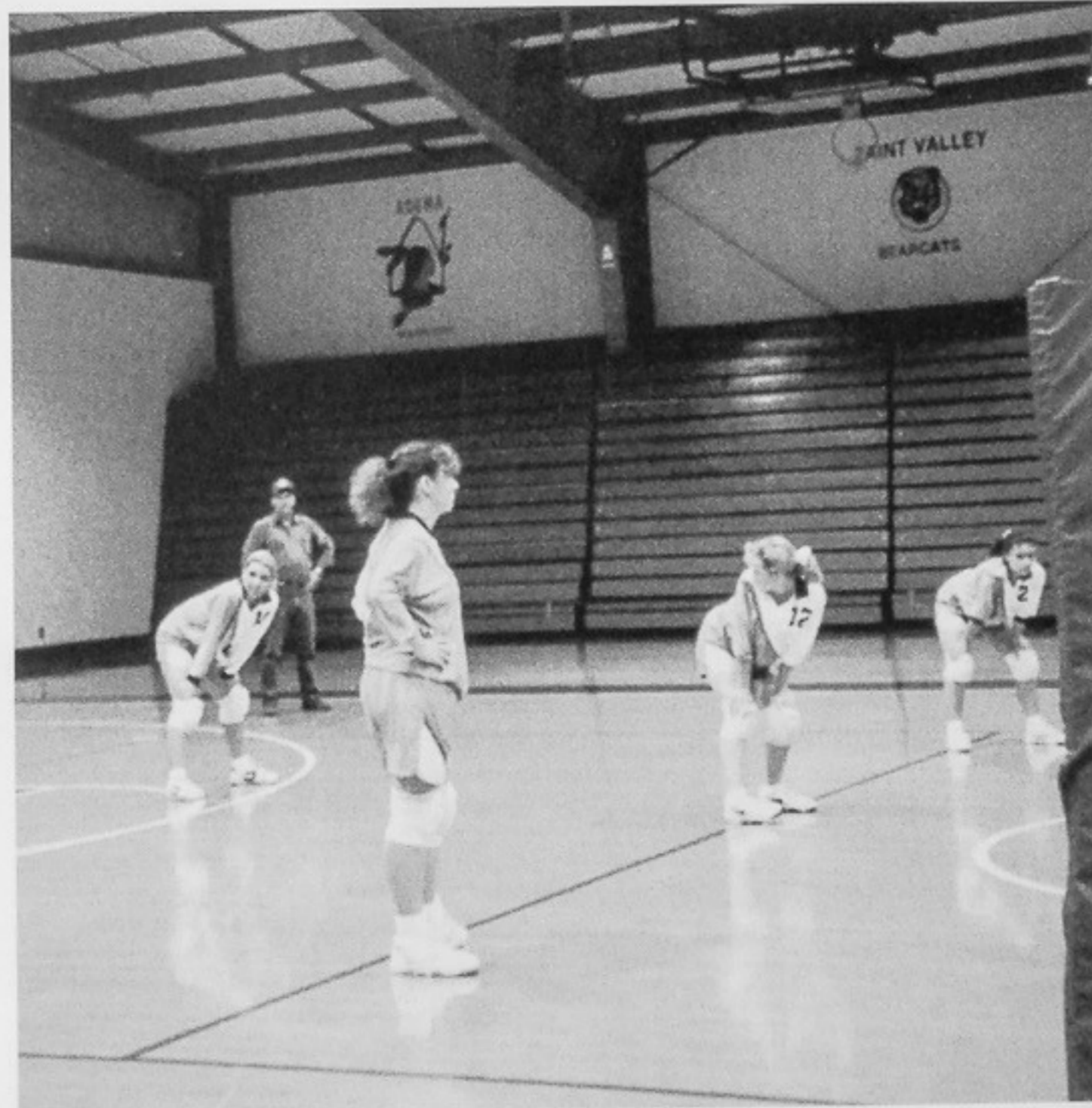
spiking, and teamwork, making both teams stronger and better.

Hopefully next year the season will be even more productive as a team and individually with two great coaches and a winning season.

Row 1 - Jessica Rose, Tracy Jenkins, Amanda Munion, Stacey Schisler, Tina Cantrell. Row 2 - Holly Cantwell, Mandy Lewis, Becca Justice. Row 3 - Coach Addis, Brenna Davis, Lisa Ruggles, Valerie Rudd, Jenny Howell, Shelby Davis, Coach Vogelsong.



Seniors Tina Cantrell, Tracy Jenkins, and Stacey Schisler have their last volleyball picture taken together before their last home game. This season gave them many memorable experiences.



The Lady Tartans participated in the SOC tournament, playing against the Eastern Eagles, at South Eastern Ross High School. These girls made Eastern work for this win, playing hard until the end.



Megan Sherman intensely waits for the ball to come to the net so she can put all of her blocking practice to work. The J.V. team had a winning season and will have many players returning for next year's season.

enna Davis and Valerie Rudd do a switch in the J.V. match. The J.V. team  
 me a long way this year and many players will move up to varsity next year.



Watching the ball over the net, Amanda Munion and Holly Cantwell decide who  
 will take the first hit. Amanda contributed with her powerful arm spiking and  
 serving. Holly provided several terrific passes and serves as well.



During a pause in the game, the Senior  
 setters await the return of the ball for a  
 quick set-up. Stacey Schisler and Tracy  
 Jenkins were both setters and  
 showed great team spirit.

Tracy Jenkins, Jessica Rose, and Tina  
 Cantrell set up for a big block against  
 the Clay Lady Panthers. East was  
 strong at the net this year and brought  
 the overall stat records up.

The tournament team takes a break  
 from the competitive action for a quick  
 snapshot. The girls gave the Eastern  
 Eagles a big scare as the Lady Tartans  
 nearly took the game from the Eagles.

# Look Up!!!

The Tartan Turf Masters had a competitive season, coached by Dave Martin, whose 16 years of experience led the Tartans onto many victories. Some of the Tartan golfers even found themselves staring at SOC recognition.

Senior Matt Justice received First Team All SOC honors and also placed second in Sectionals and third in Districts. Josh Rawlins, also a senior, missed going to Sectionals by one stroke and fell just short of an All SOC title by two strokes. Josh proved himself all season in his game and led the underclassmen through the season.

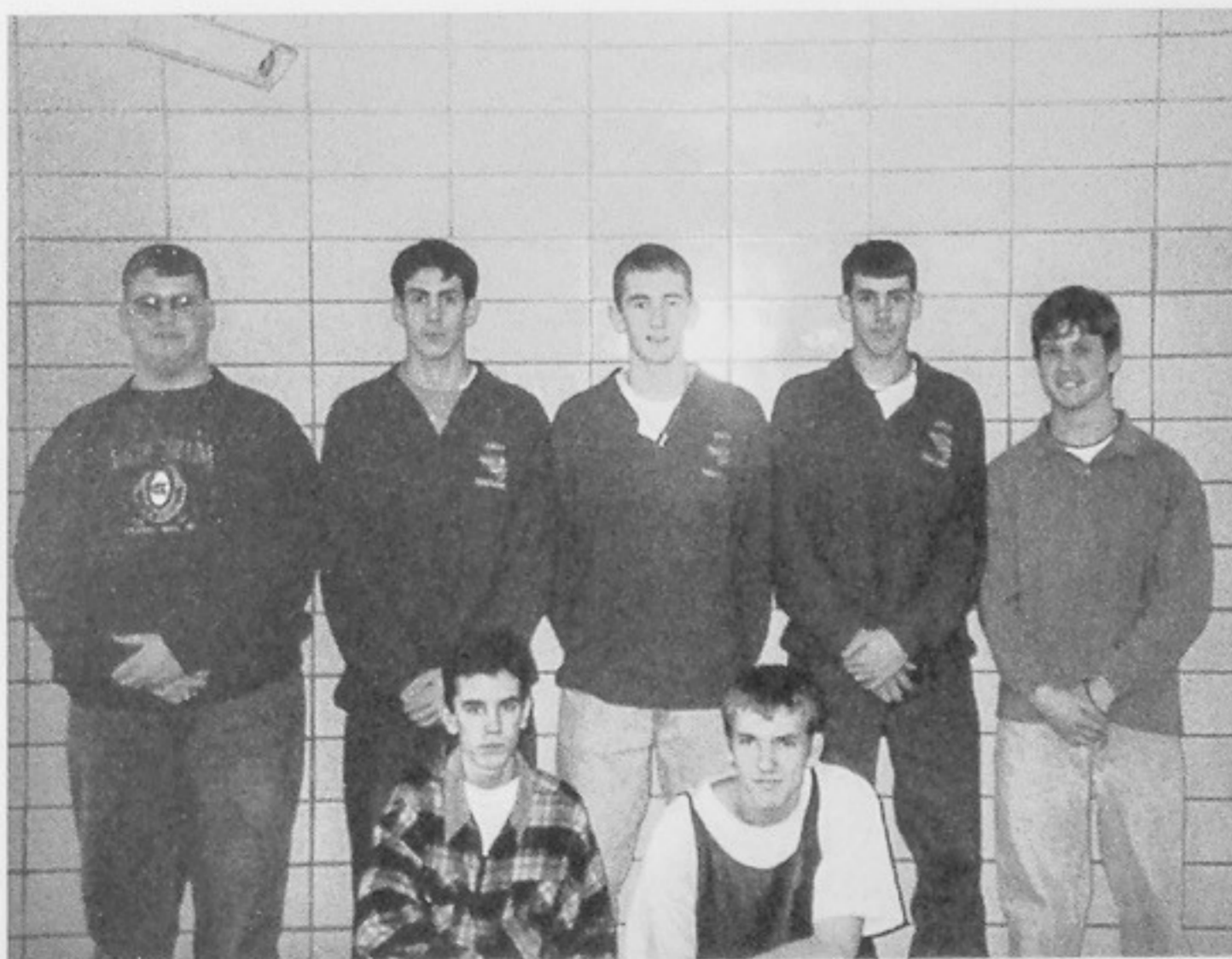
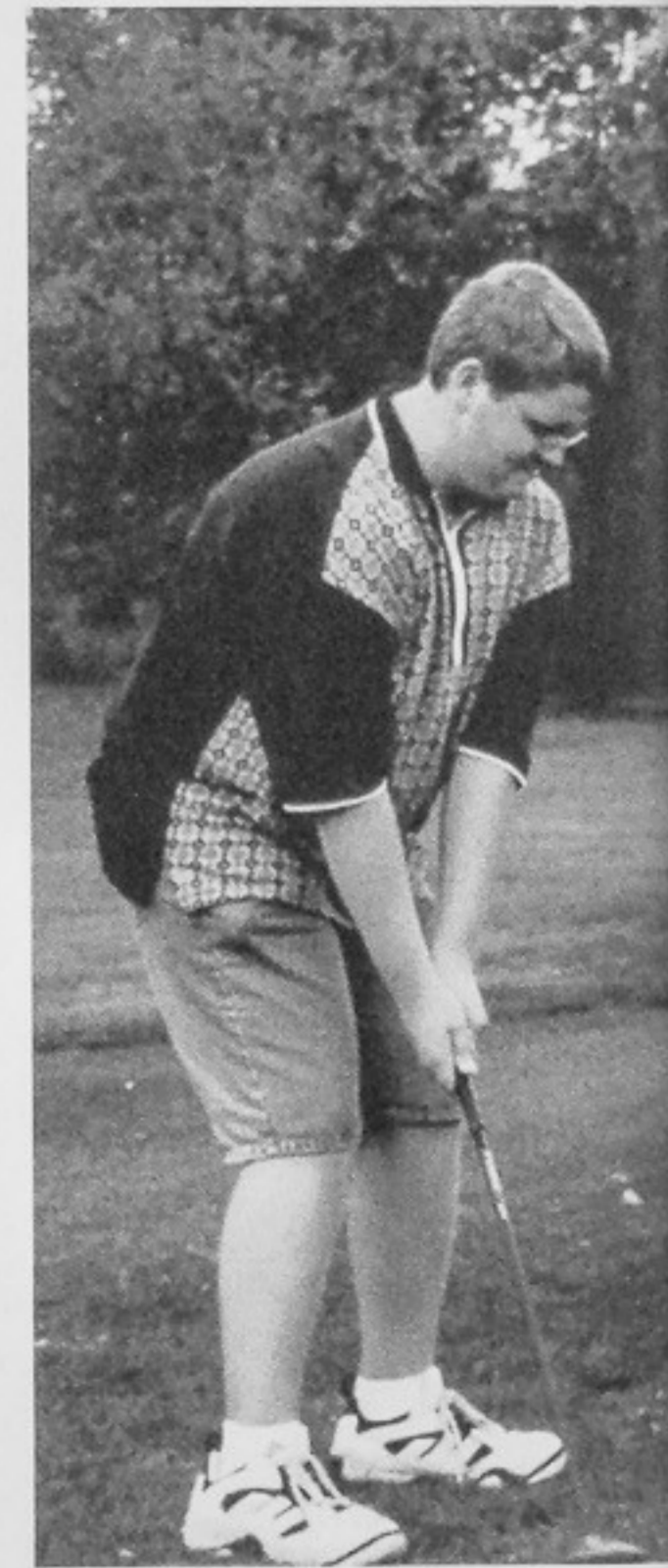
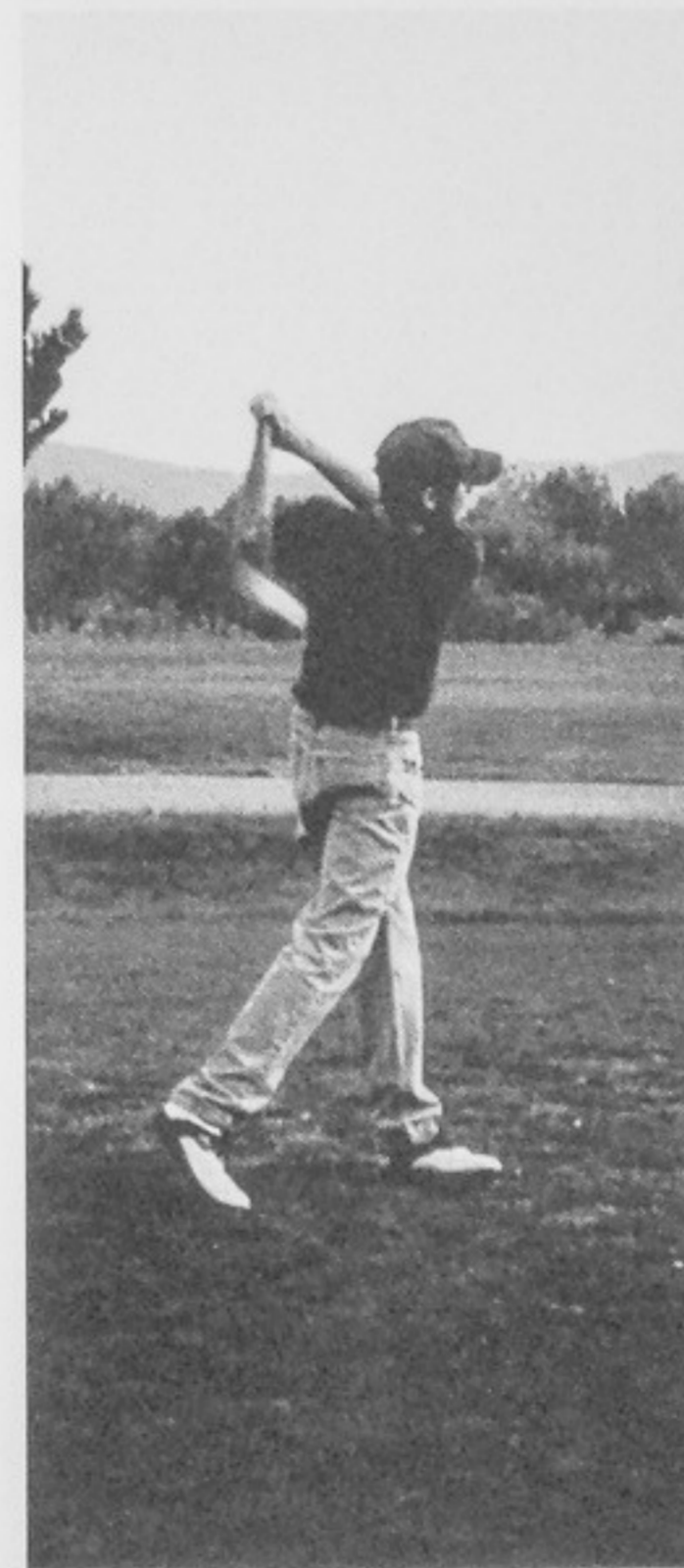
Senior Michael Stapleton had a great year in 1996, never giving up and always impressing his teammates and his coach with his will to win. A senior, first year player, Tristan Spinski amazed everyone with his talent for driving. Tristan's entire season can be

summed up in the fateful day when his famous driving skill took the life of an innocent bird.

Though the season proved interesting and even deadly at times, for many, it was the chance to prove themselves on the course. Next year, with the loss of many strong players to graduation, the Tartan Turf Masters of 1998 will need to work hard. With returning players like Jeremy Ketter, whose game could always be relied on to be consistent, there shouldn't be a problem with SOC match-ups.

Coach Martin remarked, "I had high expectations going into the season with all three returning seniors. The team worked hard and finished second in the Conference behind Notre Dame, who benefitted greatly from open enrollment. To sum up the season, I was very proud of the whole team. Lots of memories were made this year."

Senior Tristan Spinski, a first year player flexes his muscles while chipping a long drive at the Shawnee golf course. On the first day, Tristan hit and killed a bird 50 yards away with a golf ball.

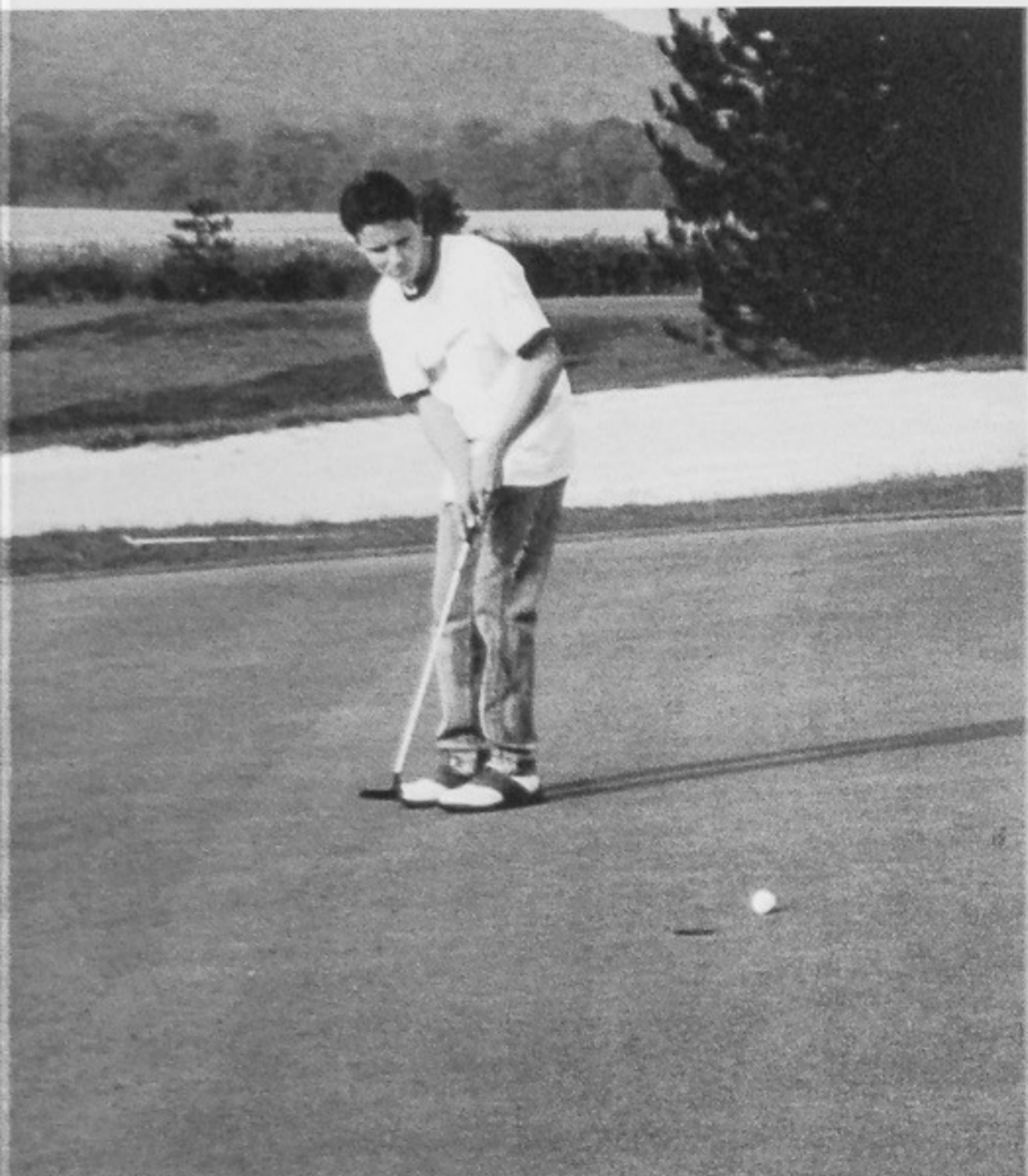


Front Row: Terry Stevenson, Charlie Payne. Back Row: Michael Spears, Matt Ketter, Josh Rawlins, Jeremy Ketter, Tristan Spinski. Not pictured: Matt Justice, Michael Stapleton, Josh Sherman, and Bill Walburn.

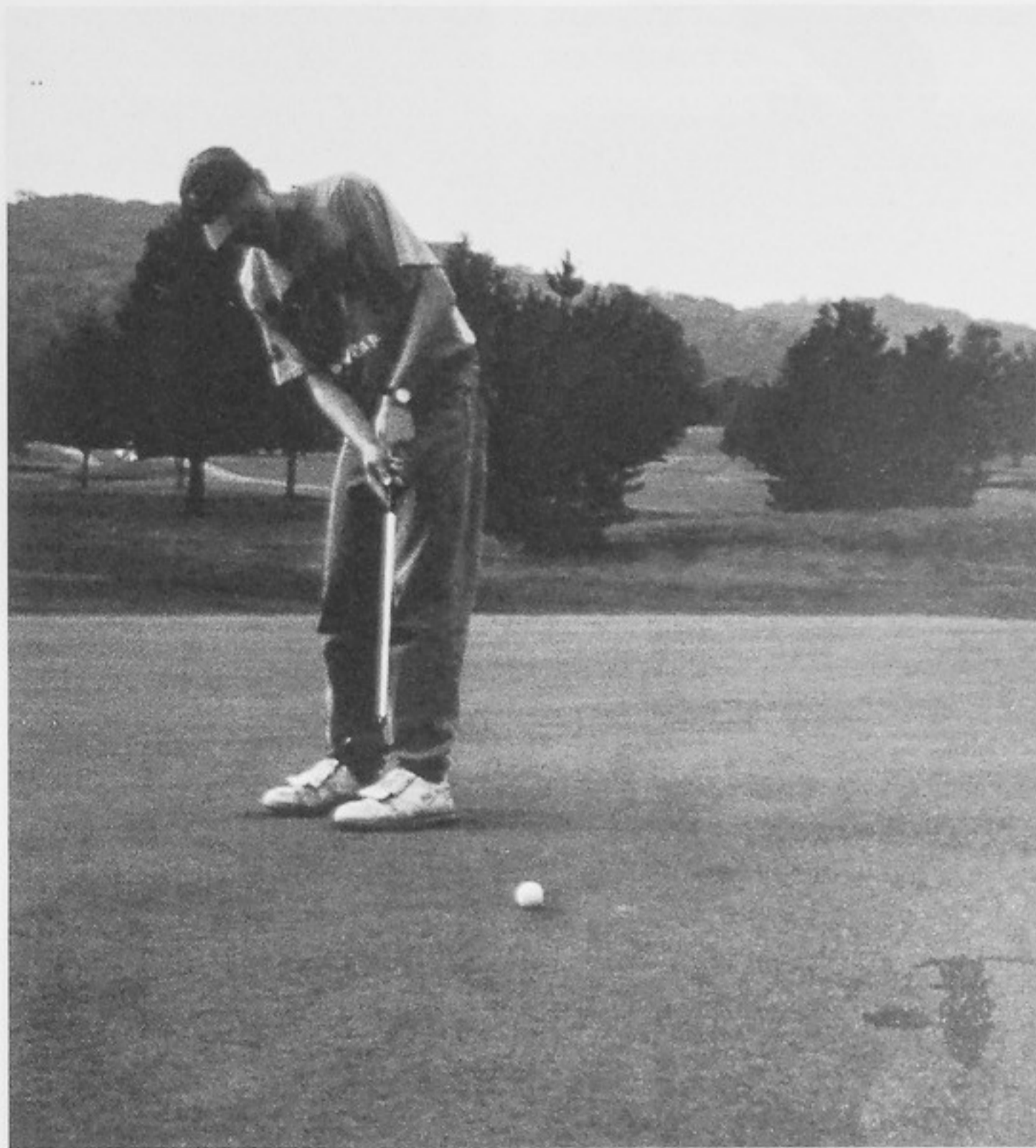
Jeremy Ketter is hitting the narrow fairways of Shawnee. Jeremy contributed three years to the Tartan Turf-masters, and we hope to see him back next year.

As a sophomore Michael Spears tees off hoping to reach the green. Michael's game finally came around after straightening his drive.

Matt Justice makes one of his easier putts for a birdy. Matt won districts and qualified for the regional team. He is a four-year starter whose leadership abilities are inspiring to the team.



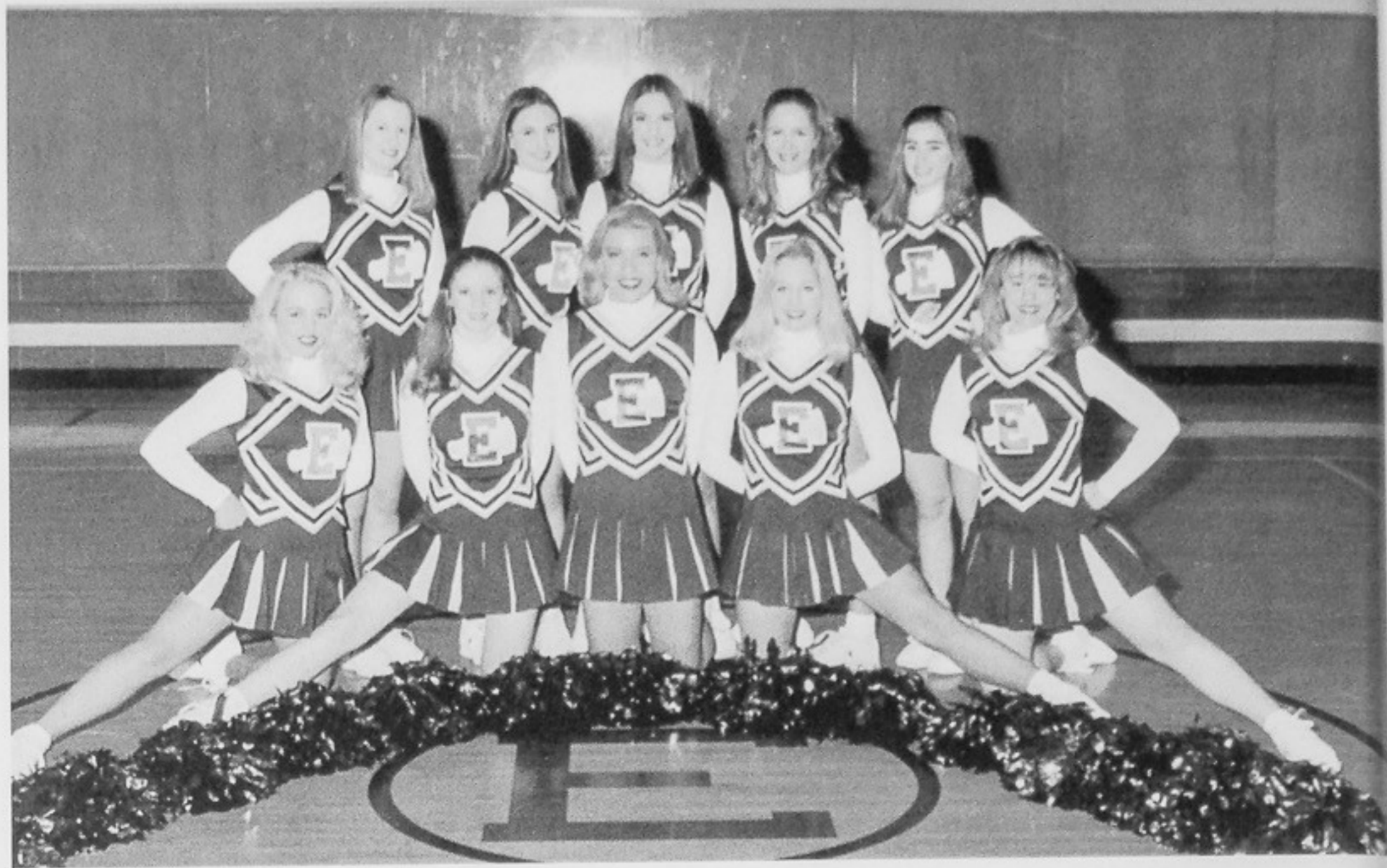
On the green, Matt Ketter putts for a birdie. In Matt's three years he has made numerous clutch putts.



Four year starter, Josh Rawlins concentrates on his putt. This year Josh was two strokes from making the All-SOC team.

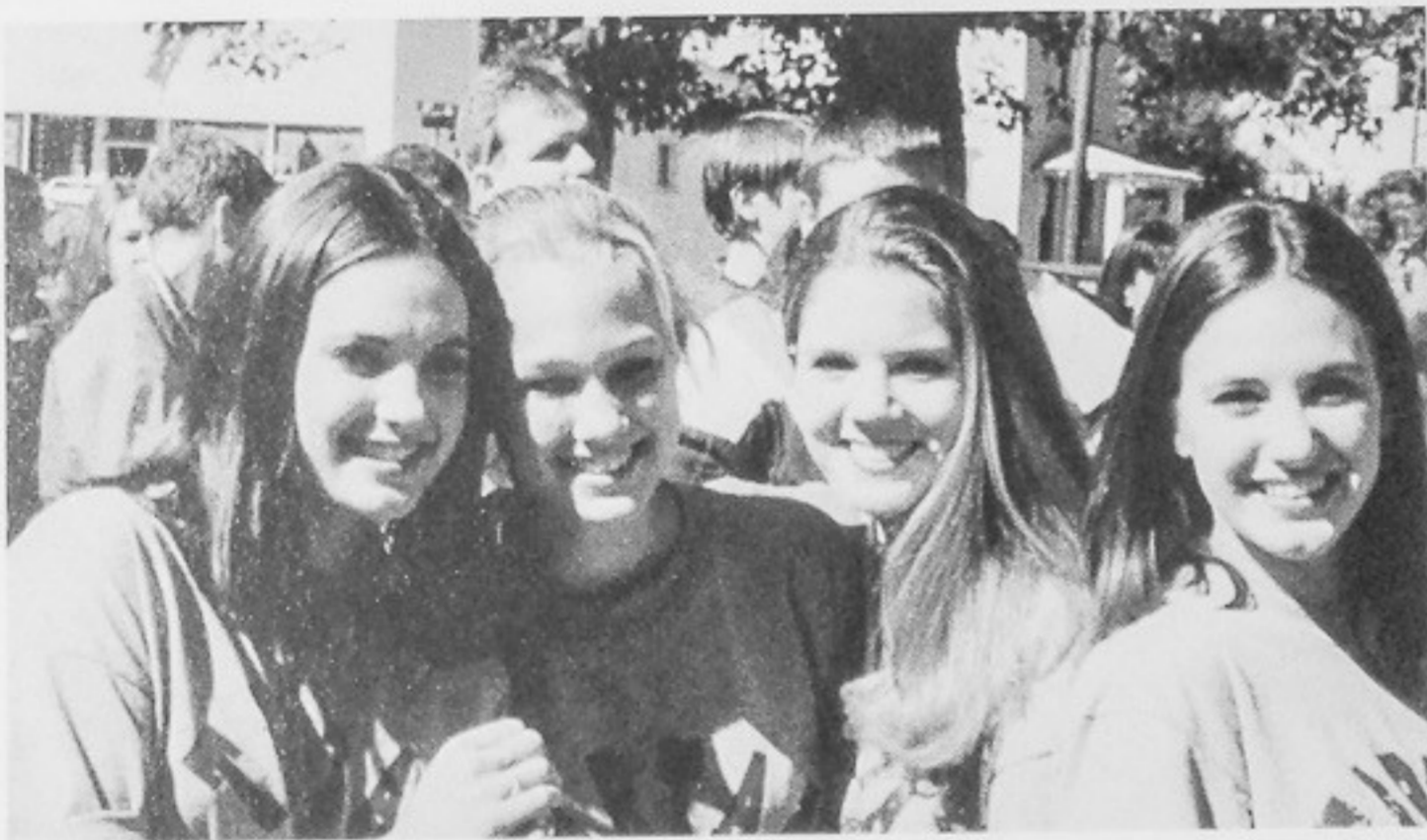


Putting for a birdie, Senior Michael Stapleton plays one of his last golf matches as a high school student. Michael played excellent in the SOC tournament.



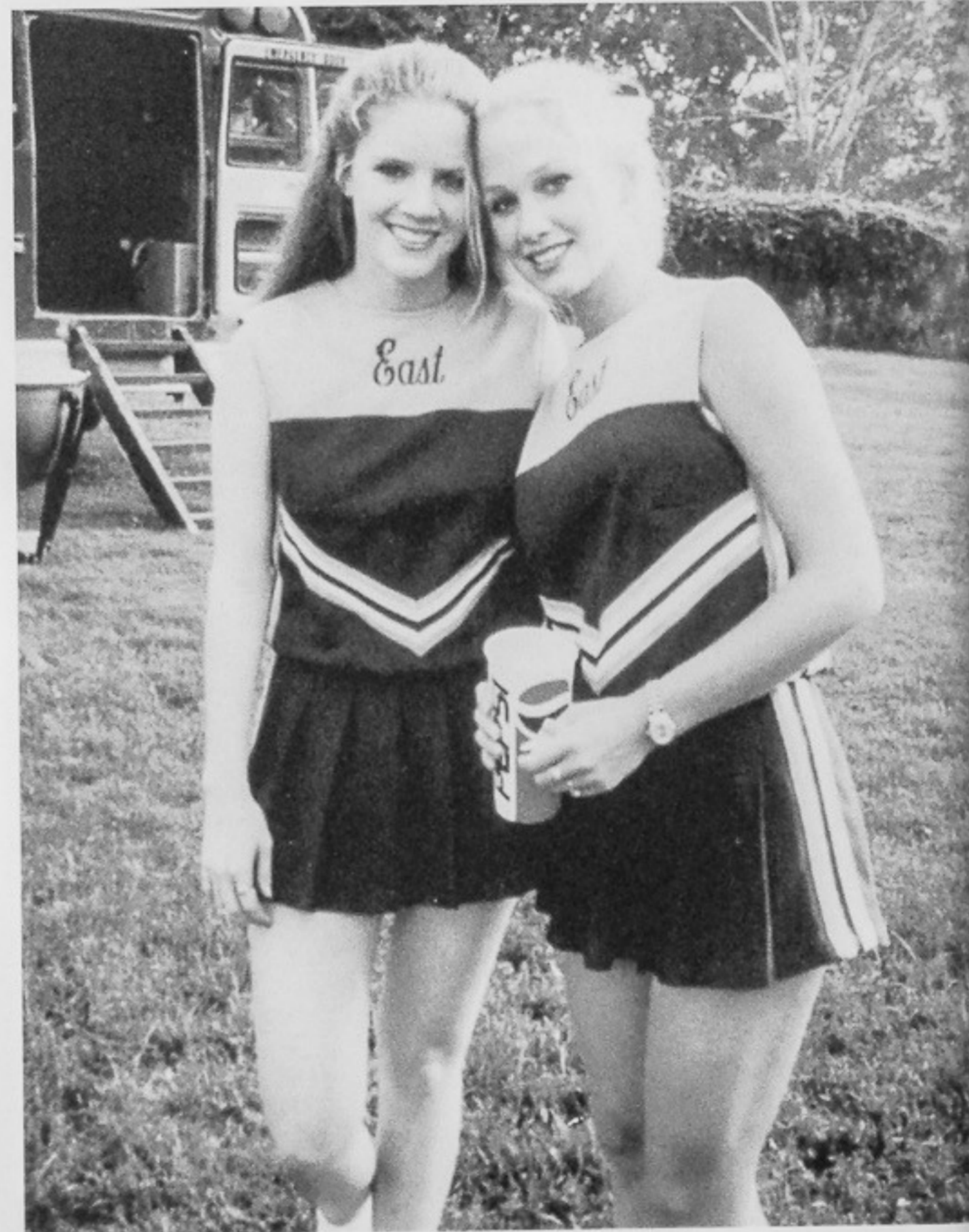
Front Row: Katie Gee, Captain Heather Odle, Amanda Munion, Lindsay Miller, and Vanessa Billiter  
 Back Row: Charity Lewis, Shelby Davis, Brenna Davis, Mandi Lewis, and Amanda Murray

## 1996-97 Tartan Cheerleaders



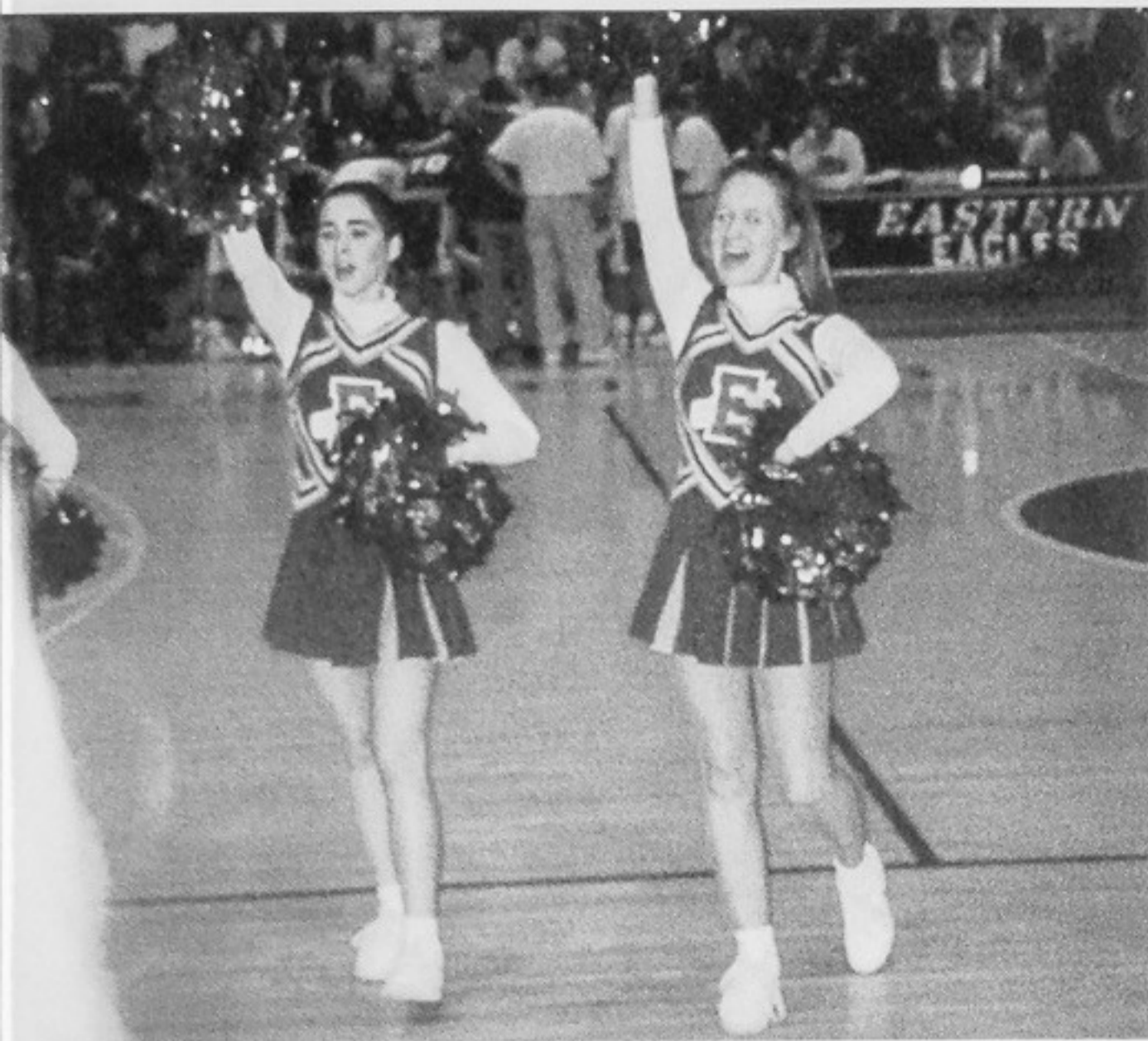
Brenna Davis, Lindsay Miller, Heather Odle, and Shelby Davis squeeze together for a quick snapshot during the special pep assembly held outside in honor of our last football game. The outside event drew a large crowd for the supporters of the Tartan team.

Mandi Lewis and Vanessa Billiter exhibit their friendship at half-time of the J.V. basketball game in East gymnasium. Cheerleading brought about great friendships throughout the year.



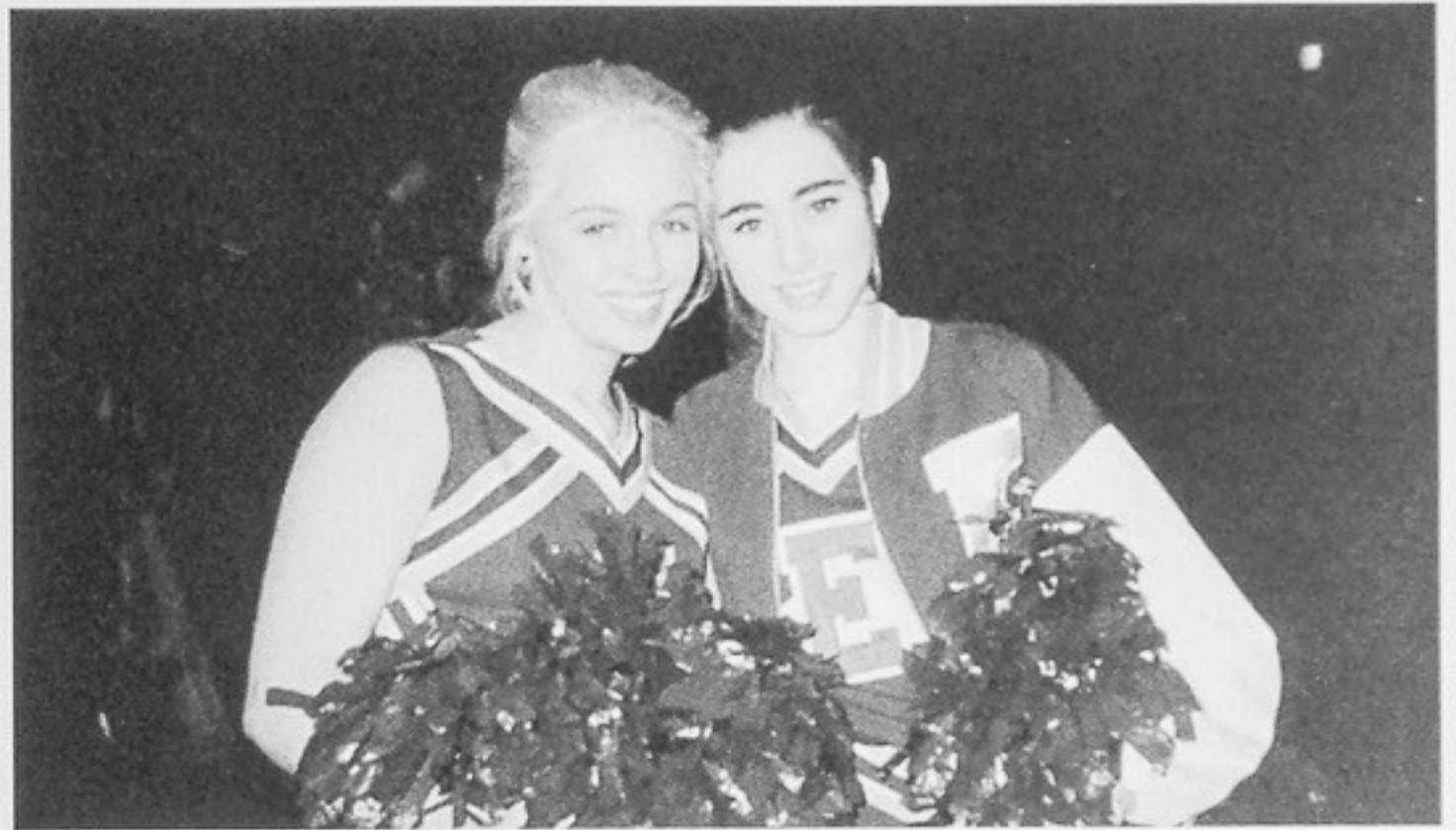
Seniors Heather Odle and Lindsay Miller share a pepsi as they await the beginning of a football game at Allard Park. The dedication these girls showed the cheerleaders will be greatly missed by next year's squad.





Amanda Murray and Charity Lewis shout out to the crowd at an away game against the Eastern Eagles. The cheerleaders gave it their all to keep the crowd involved during both home and away games.

Katie Gee and Amanda Murray stop for a hug before departing from an away game at Eastern. The ventures to different schools brought about changes of scenery and new experiences with each trip.



Gleaming with pride, the Tartan cheerleaders give a smile to the camera during halftime at the tournament game in Valley High School's gym. Tournament games were always exciting events for both those on the floor, and those in the stands.



Freshman Shelby Davis models the new cheerleading uniforms the moment they arrive at East. The girls spent many hot summer days selling refreshments at the Legion games to fund their new attire.



Holding onto each other during a home basketball game, the Big Blue cheerleaders cherish their times together. Each second that ticked away on the clock is one the girls will treasure forever.

## Looking Back With Pride

1996-97 was a year of rebuilding for the East Tartans. The season record of 7 wins and 14 losses did not indicate how well the team actually played. The Tartans fell in many close games, only losing by three or four points on an average. Our team placed third in the Wendy's Classic at the beginning of the season.

This year five seniors, Bill Walburn, Chad Ruggles, Dustin Paxson, Josh Rawlins, and Jason Armes, led the Tartans with their seniority and skill.

Special honors for this sea-

son include Matt Ketter receiving both 3rd Team All Southeast District and 1st Team All SOC. Also Bill Walburn received 2nd Team All SOC.

Even though the season wasn't as successful as previous years, their loyal fans still rallied behind them all throughout the season keeping their heads high as the team gave their all. The Portsmouth East pride and reputation will surely be as strong next year. Through hard work many young players can benefit from the East Basketball program in the future.

Matt Ketter shots over an Eastern defender to make the 3-point shot. The Tartans went on to lose a close game against the Eastern Eagles.



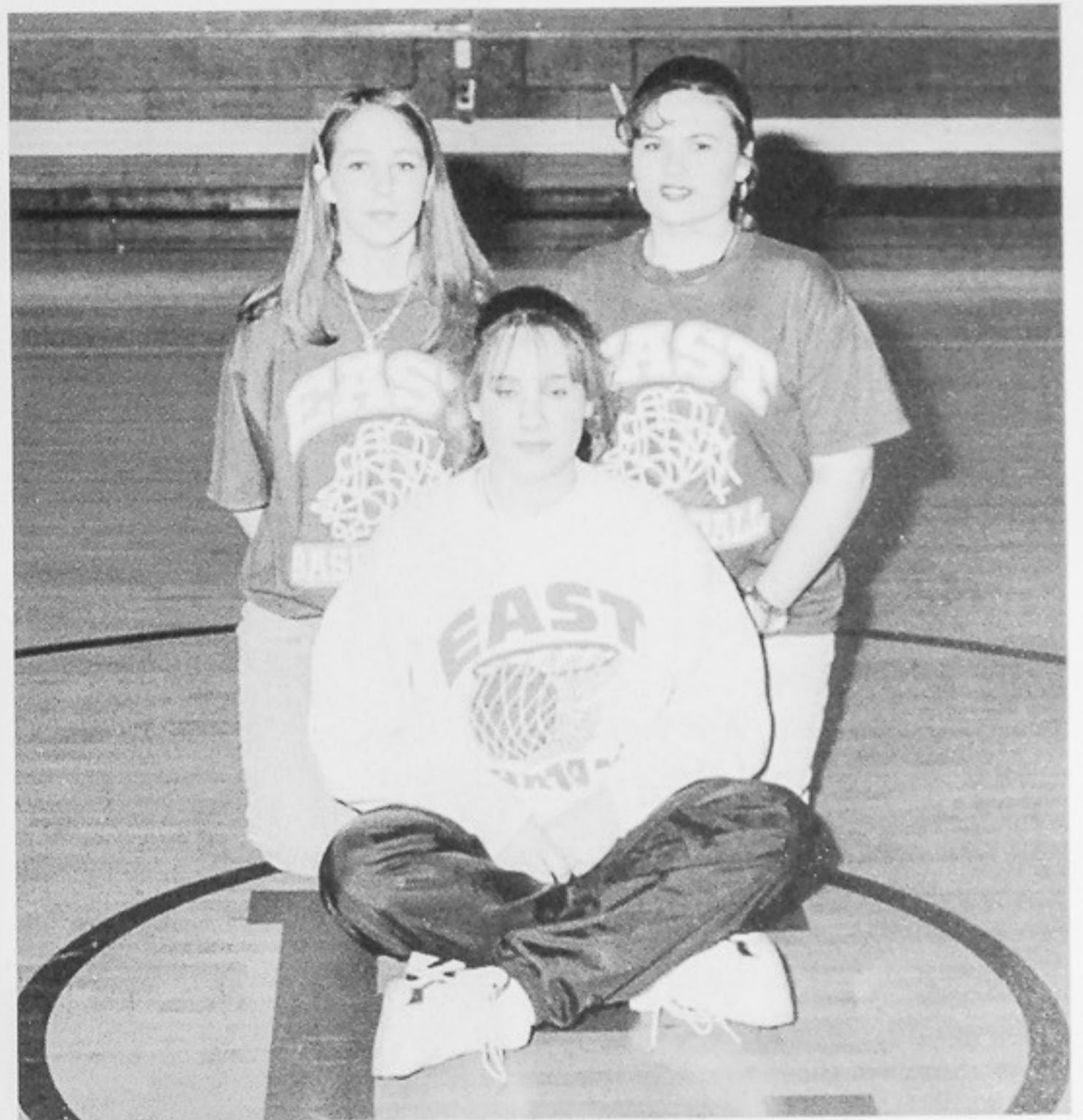
Varsity team - Front: Manager Andy LeMarble, Head Coach Rick Hopkins, Manager Dustin Payton. Back: Assistant Coach Lowell Welch, Dustin Carver, Josh Rawlins, Matt Ketter, Dustin Paxson, Chad Ruggles, Bill Walburn, Jeff Walburn, Jared Kennard, Todd Gilliland, Dustin Paxson, Jeremy Ketter, Assistant Coach Buck Whitely.





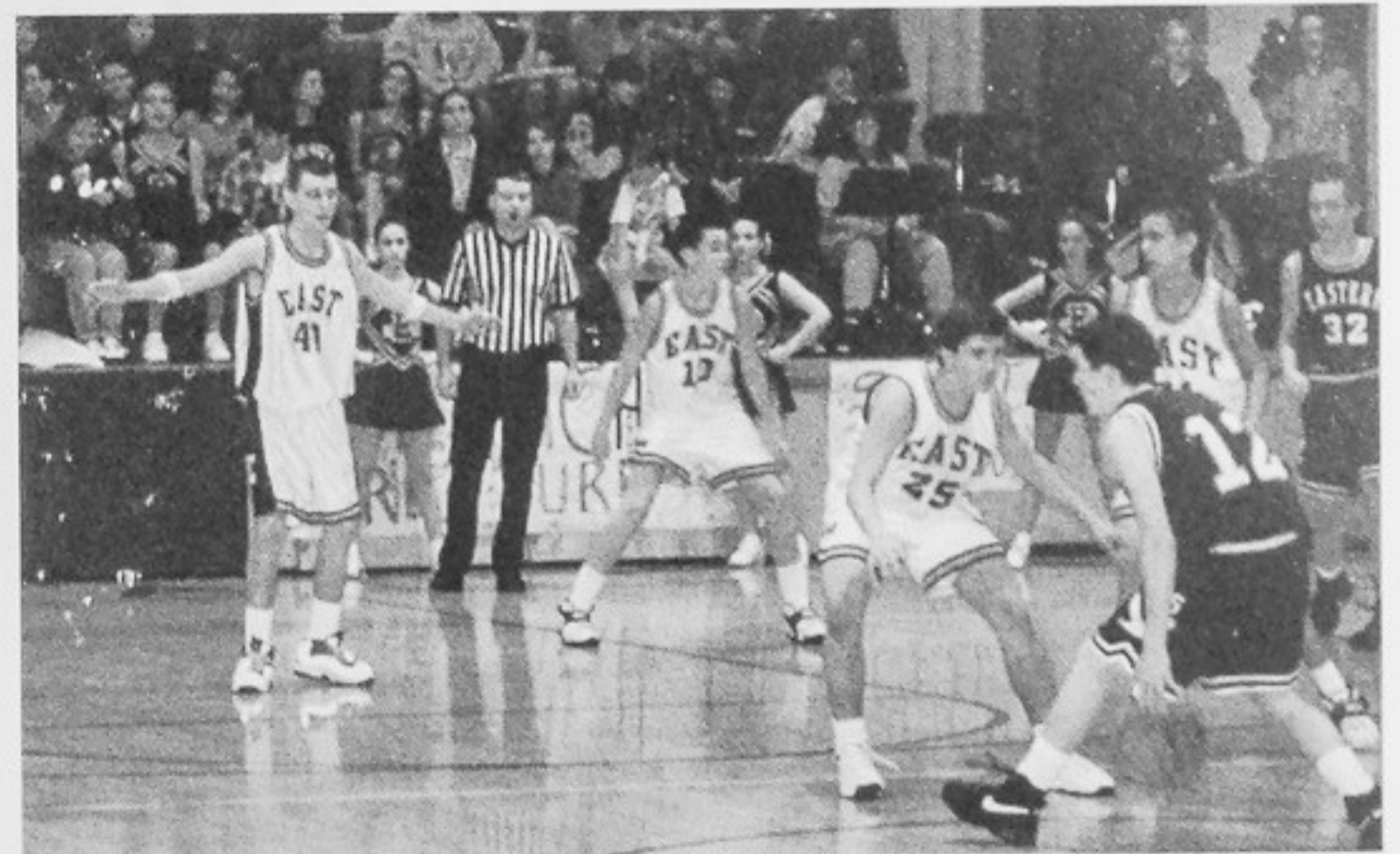
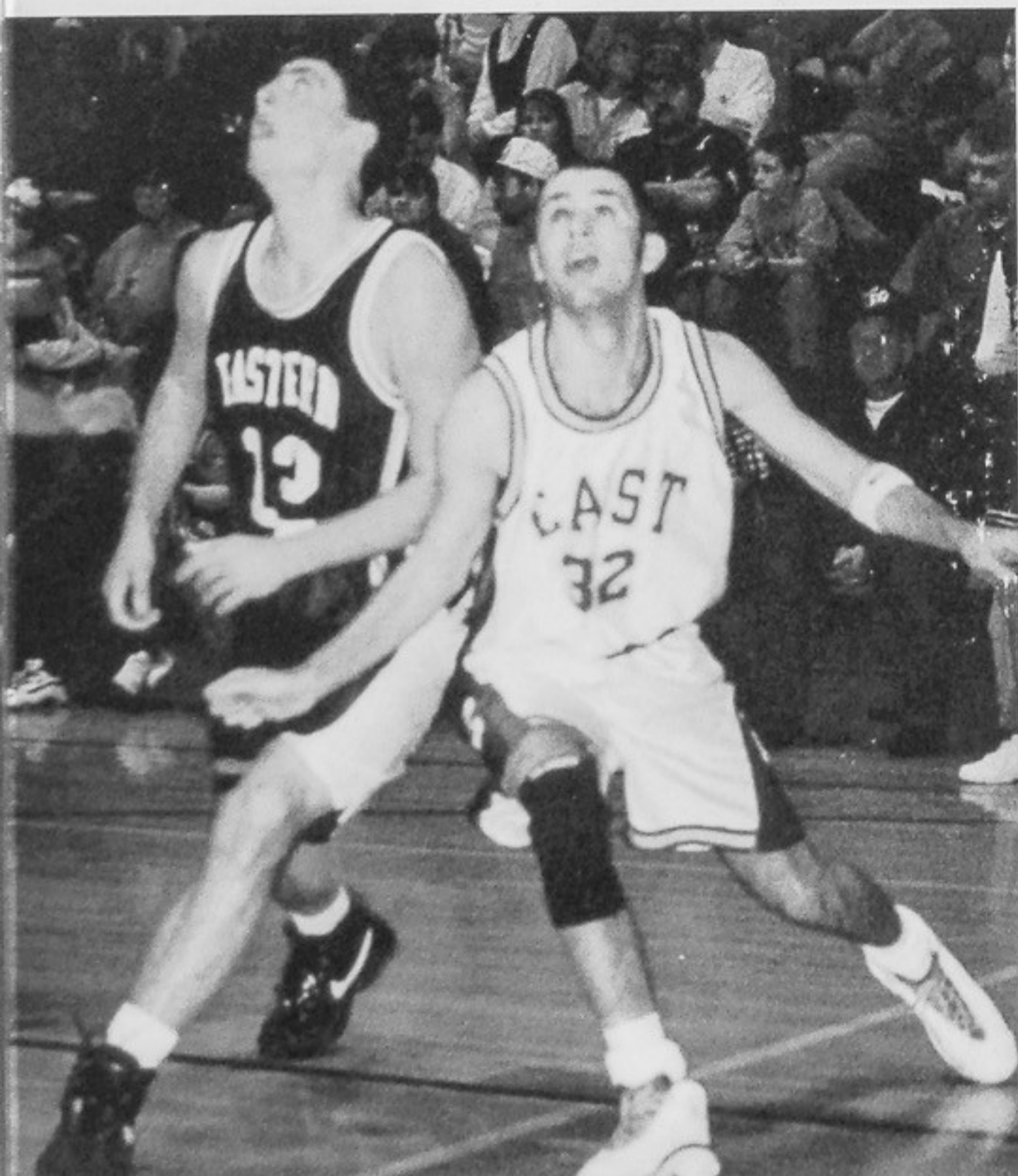


J.V. Team - Front: Head Coach Buck Whitely Back: T.R. McCann, Randy Cooper, Matt Shaffer, Ryan Jenkins, Jimmy Walburn, Ben Etterling, Bill Hafer.



The East Tartan bench looks on as the final seconds tick off the clock in another close game. The players on the bench are very important to the morale of the team.

Statisticians: Front - Tina Cantrell. Back - Angela Stapleton, Mindy Crawford. These three were very important to the team, too because they kept the game stats!



Dustin struggles for the rebound against a large Eastern team. The East Tartans faced much larger opponents throughout the season.

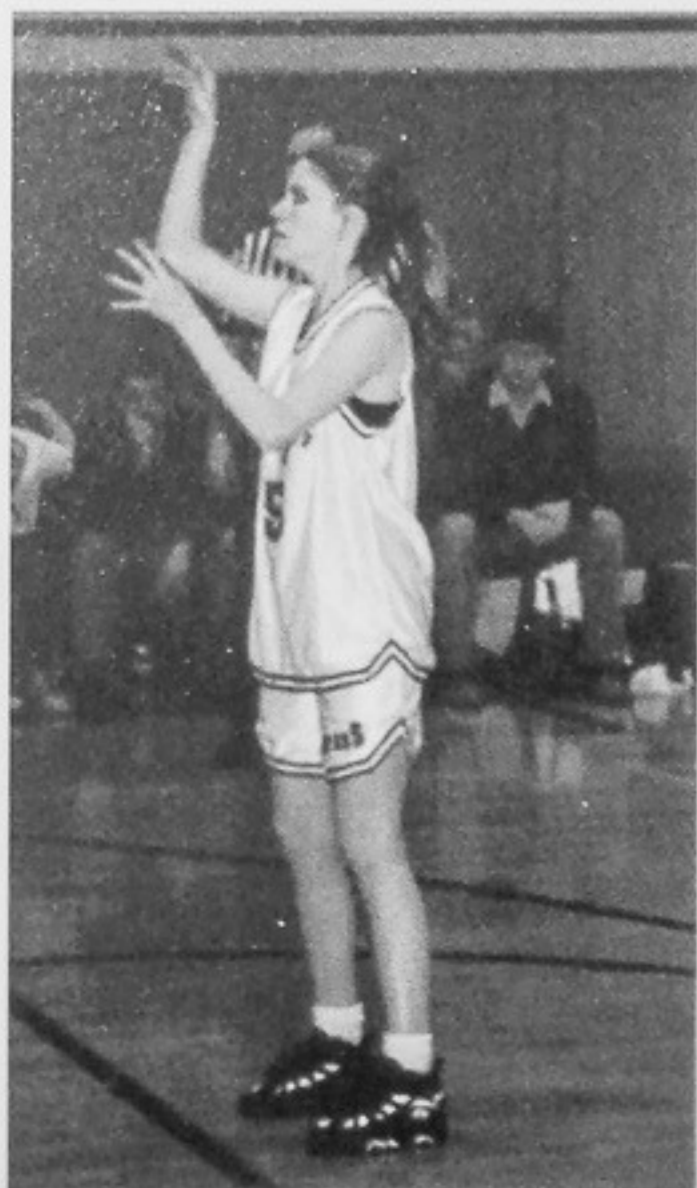
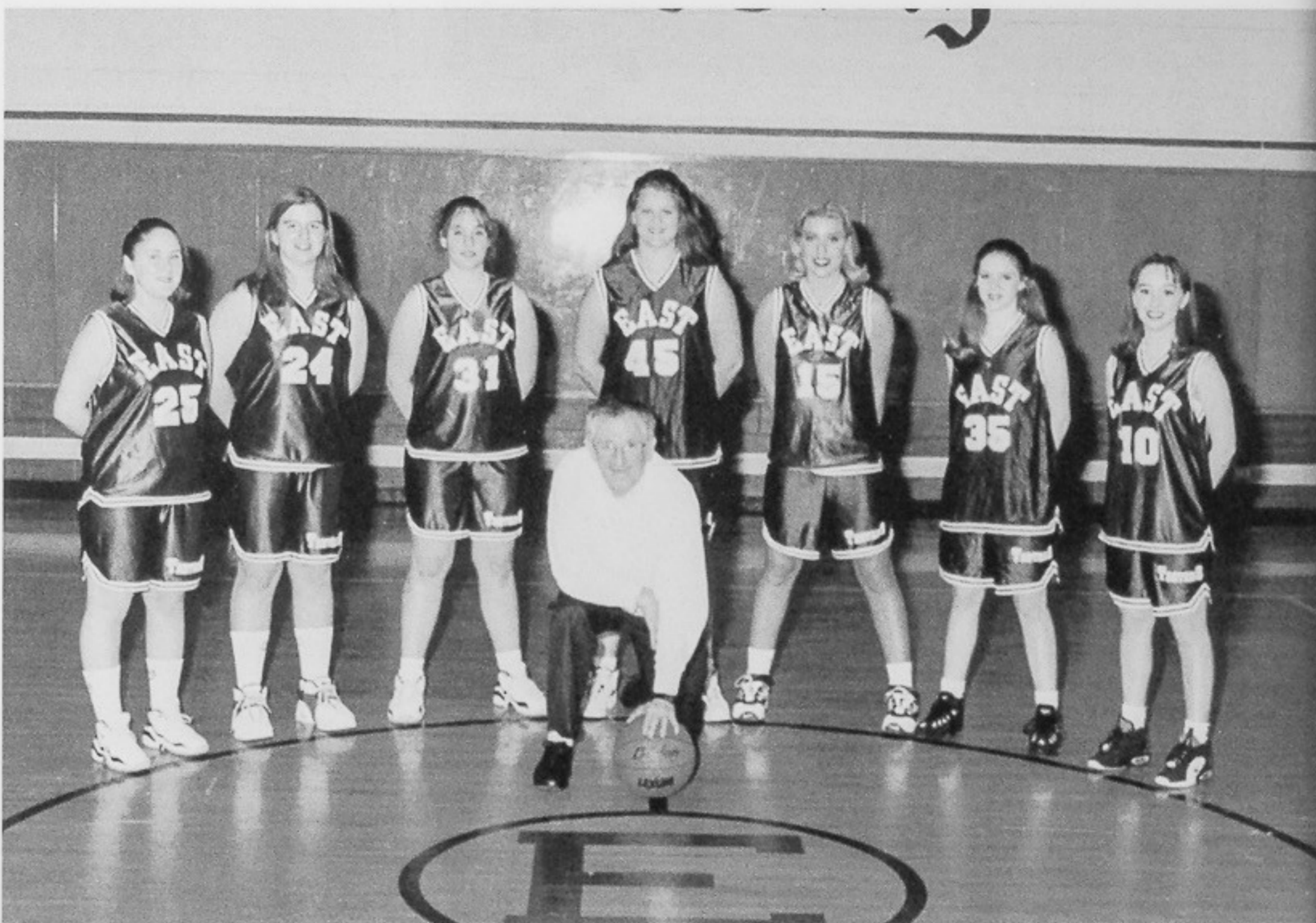
As an opponent takes the ball down court, the Tartan defense rallies to help the team block the basket. Strong defense on the Tartans part made for exciting, close ballgames.

# Looking Forward To Bouncing Back

The 1996-97 girls basketball team experienced a tough season and faced many obstacles. The loss of five seniors and three non-returning experienced players from the previous year left the Lady Tartans with low numbers and little experience. The ladies ended with seven players which included team co-captains Tina Cantrell and Stacey Schisler. Heather Odle, Amanda Munion, DeeDee Montgomery, Nancy McKinnon and Kelli Day combined to make the rest of the Tartan team. These girls are to be commended on their efforts and dedication.

Tina Cantrell, Stacey Schisler and Heather Odle were recognized as seniors, and Mr. Smith announced his retirement. The Tartans will miss their leaders as they go on to next year, but they will also look forward to five returning players and a strong group of upcoming freshman. It will truly be an opportunity for the ladies to bounce back and have a winning season!

Tina Cantrell, Stacey Schisler, Coach Smith, Coach Bennett, and Heather Odle make up this year's Senior players and coaches. Tina, Stacey, and Heather will never forget the six years spent with these coaches.

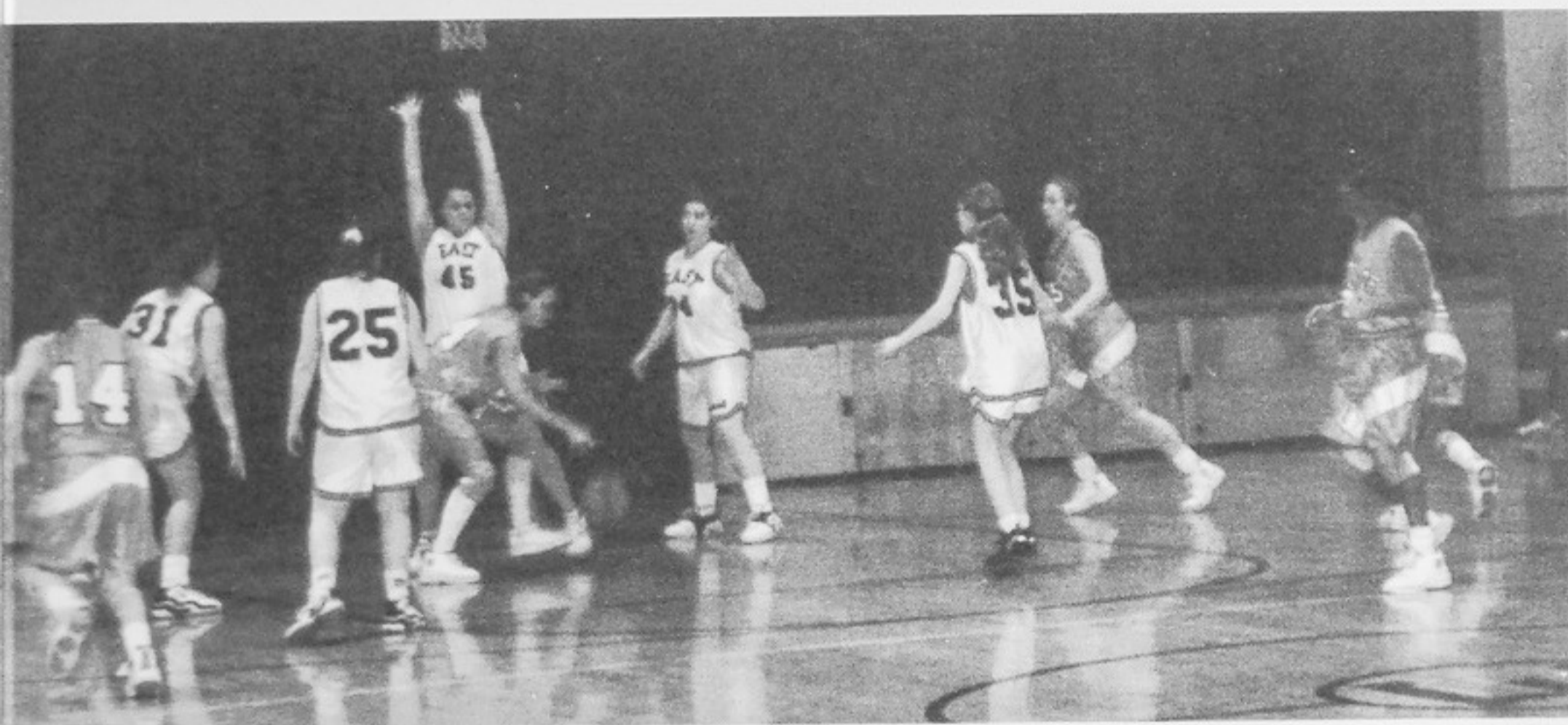


Heather Odle displays proper form as she makes yet another shot from the charity stripe. Heather also contributed greatly by leading the team in steals.

Lady Tartans: DeeDee Montgomery, Nancy McKinnon, Tina Cantrell, Kelli Day, Amanda Munion, Heather Odle, Stacey Schisler. In center front, Coach Jim Smith.



Taking the ball to the hole, Tina Cantrell show off her offensive talents. On the defensive side, she led her team in rebounds.



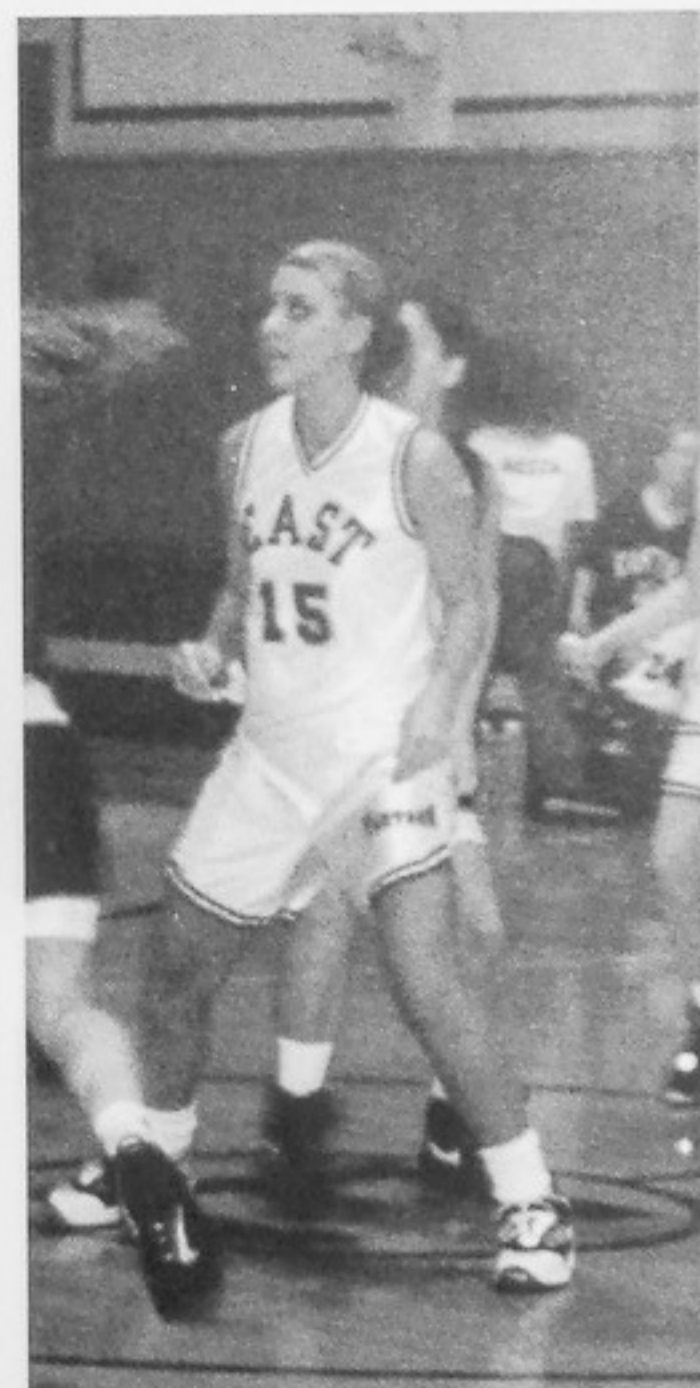
Defending the basket from the Portsmouth Trojans, the Lady Tartans demonstrate their aggression. Although they did not have a winning season, these girls played with dedication through the final seconds of every game.



The Lady Tartans set up their defense as Kelly Day prepares to go one on one. Only a freshman, Kelly will look forward to three more seasons with the Lady Tartans.



Taking the ball up the court, Stacey Schisler prepares for the oncoming pressure. This year, Stacey led the team in assists.



Amanda Munion looks to steal the ball from number eleven of the Eastern Eagles. Amanda was the leading scorer for the 1996-1997 basketball season.

# With Leadership Comes Championship!

The 1996-97 Boys Baseball Team was truly a team of leadership and determination with two seniors leading the way on the mounds. The Tartans prevailed in 15 of 18 games to pull off an S.O.C. Championship after a hard fought battle with the Clay Panthers.

The batting averages soared as the Tartans hitting continued to improve throughout the season, along with their fielding and defensive abilities.

The outstanding leadership shown by the upperclassmen was highlighted as five of our starters were given S.O.C. honors. Second Team All S.O.C. went to Jason Armes and Adam Slusher. First Team honors went to Andy Messer, Todd Gilliland, and Dustin Paxson. Dustin also received the First Team All District award.

First year head coach Scott Jones comments on the season by saying, "It was a great team of talented players. I was very fortunate to be the head coach of this great team."

Junior Matt Hammer takes his stance as he prepares to get a hit. Matt's flexibility contributed greatly to the season.



Preparing to steal home, Dustin Paxson devotes all his attention to this baseball game. Dustin scored many runs for the Tartan Baseball Team.

Seniors: Jason Armes and Dustin Paxson



Entering the batter's box, Andy Messer, a junior, gets ready to show his ability to bust the ball. Andy's center fielding will be welcomed back next year.

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New Boston	0
Green	1
Symmes Valley	0
Notre Dame	5
St. Joe	13
Piketon	4
Clay	5
Eastern	1
New Boston	11
St. Joe	6
Green	1
Symmes Valley	10
Notre Dame	4
Clay	2
Eastern	2

**Tournament**

New Boston	10
Notre Dame	6
Fairfield	9

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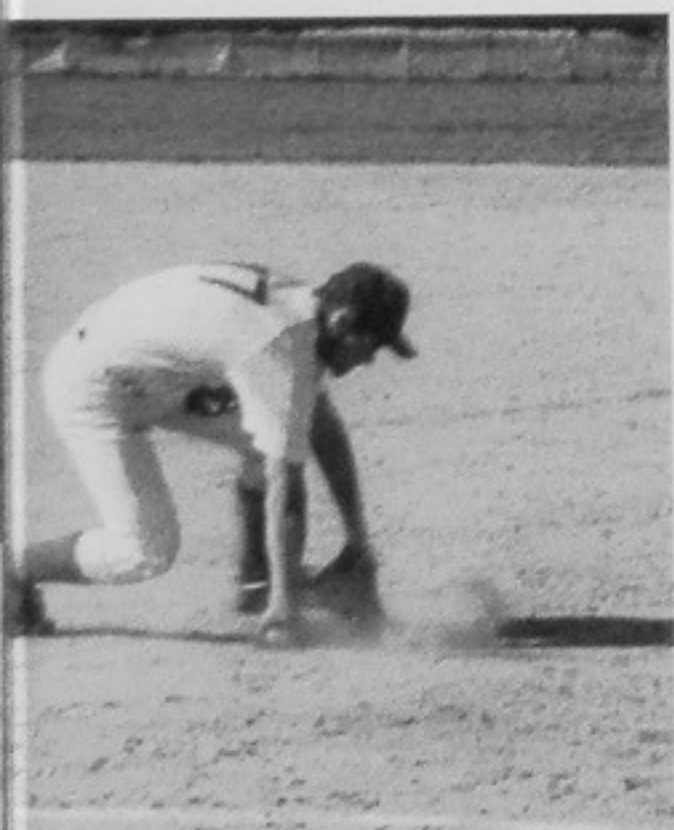
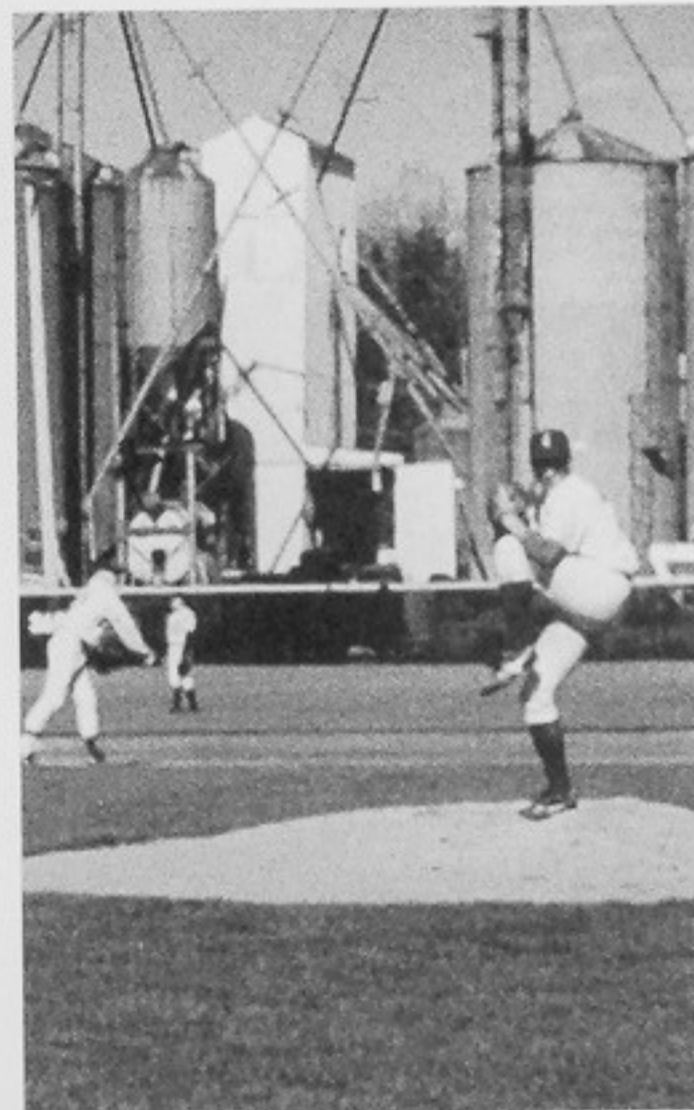
Bottom Row: Eric Horsley, Brett Davis, Kevin Billings, Jason Armes, Mark Jenkins, & Matt Hammer. Top Row: Coach Scott Jones, Jim Walburn, Andy Messer, Dustin Paxson, Todd Gilliland, Jared Kennard, and Adam Slusher. Not pictured: Assistant Coaches Josh Maddis and Jason Whitt.

the outstanding pitching ability of  
Dustin Paxson led the Tartans to the  
title of District Champs. Dustin aver-  
aged 15 strikeouts per game.

Run, Tubby. Run! Todd Gilliland jogs  
to first after one of many homeruns.  
With his power hitting, Todd's batting  
position was well deserved.

Pitcher Jason Armes warms up for the  
regional playoff game. Jason, a senior,  
will be greatly missed in seasons to  
come.

First year starter Adam Slusher rounds  
third on the way to score a run.  
Adam's speed lead the Tartans to  
many victories.



Junior Eric Horsley catches a  
ground ball in a game against Clay.  
Eric's talents helped lead the Tar-  
tans to the SOC title.

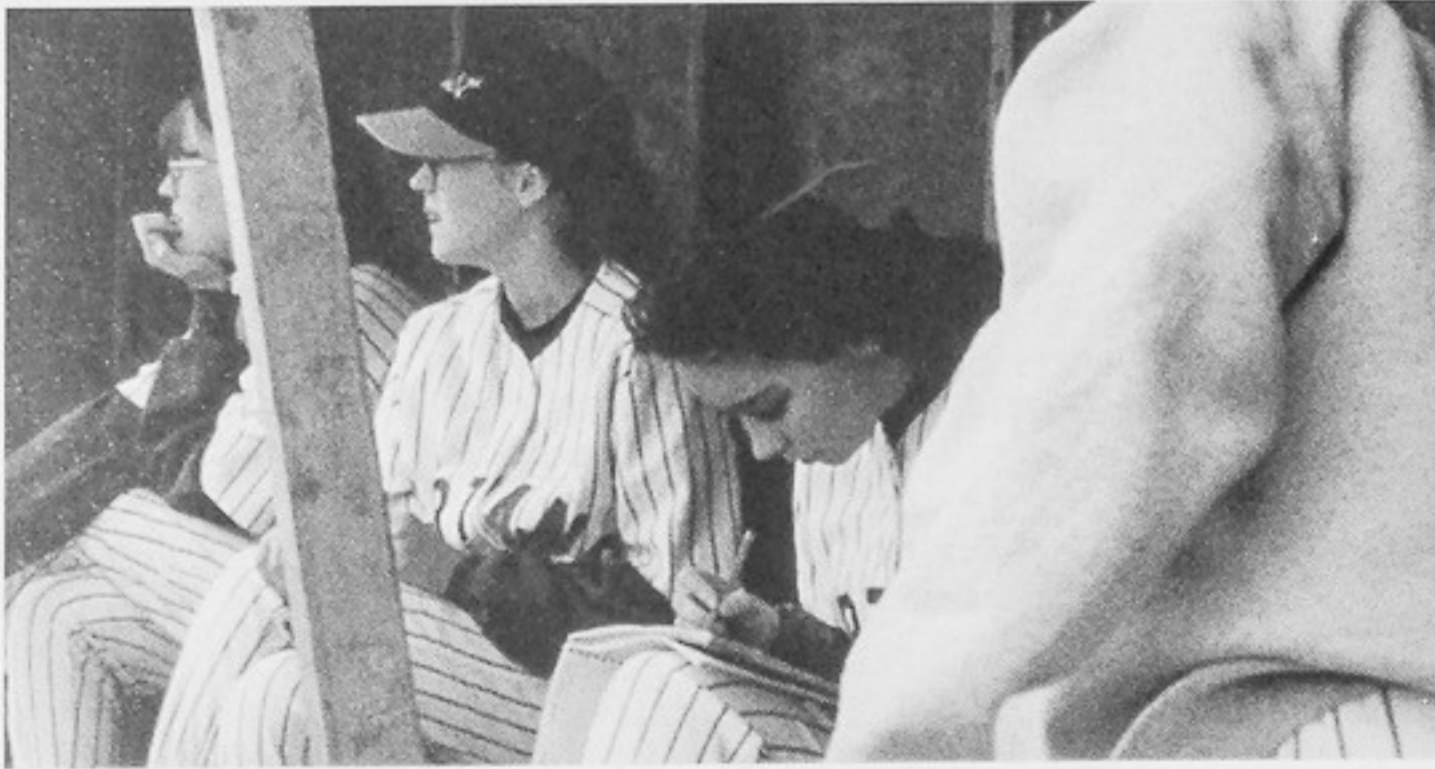
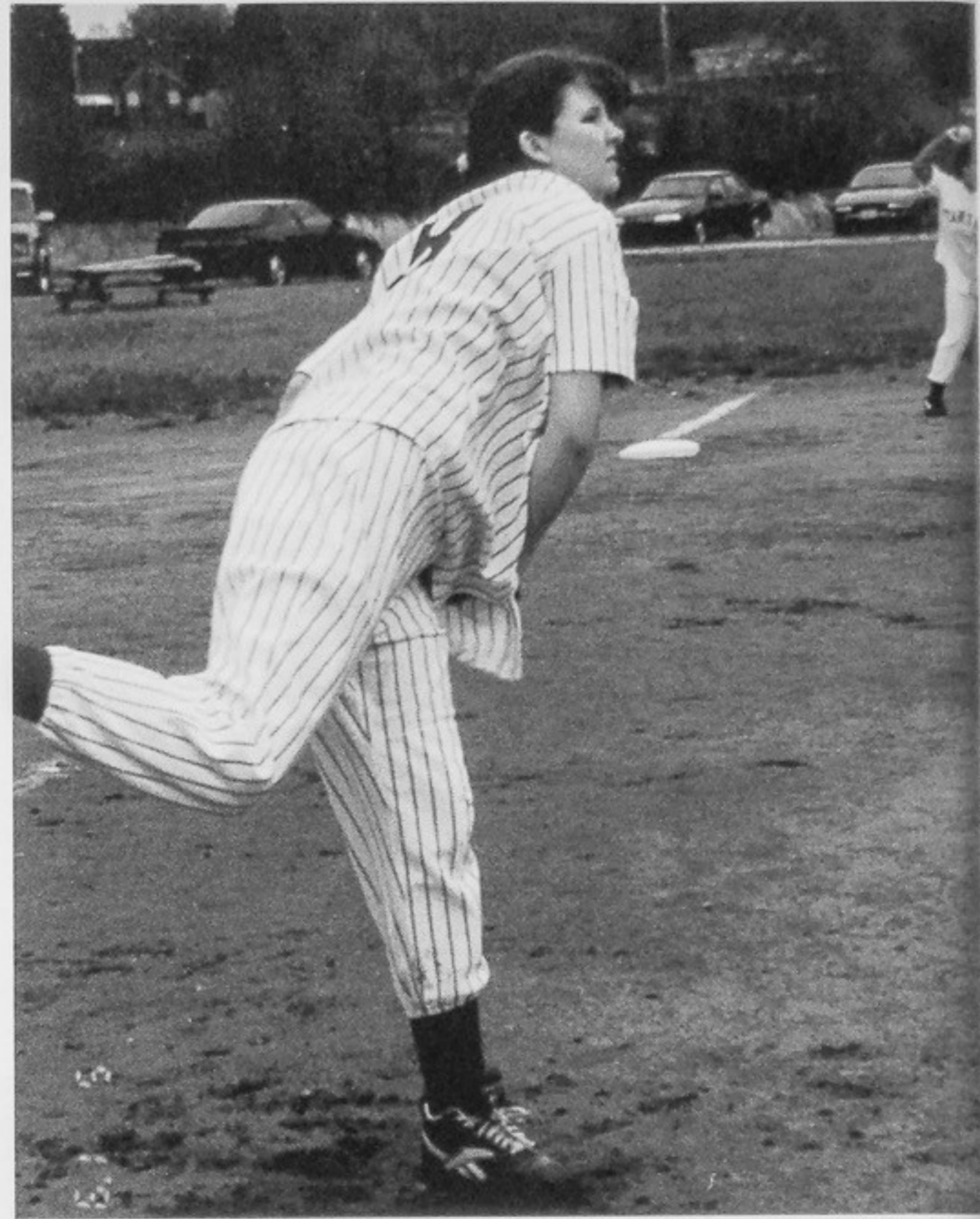
The Tartans celebrate their victory  
over Clay. This game became the  
game that decided the SOC cham-  
pionship when Clay lost their next  
game.

# With Commitment Comes Pride

At the beginning of the season, the Lady Tartans realized they would struggle early in the schedule because they were a young team. But they also knew they had plenty of potential. Under the leadership of second-year Head Coach Bob Craft, the Lady Tartans finished the season with an overall record of 12-11, and with a league record of 4-8.

Although losing two hard-working seniors, the Lady Tartans will be back next season to break this year's record and to be the first East softball team to win the SOC. Returning for the Tartans will be Polly Wiltshire who made First Team SOC, along with Kara McGraw and Pitcher Stacy Haywood who made the 2nd Team SOC.

A third year player, Stacy Haywood practices her windup before a game. Stacy pitched well all season and is looking forward to starting next year.



Sarah Nichols and Stacy Nichols concentrate on the game as Stacey Schisler keeps the books.



Polly Wiltshire prepares to launch the ball to first base. Polly was a great asset as a first year member of the team.



Front row: DeDe Montgomery, Charity Lewis, Kara McGraw, Karen Luther, Stacy Nichols, Sarah Nichols, and Stacey Schisler. Back row: Stacy Haywood, Nancy McKinnon, Amanda Munion, Polly Wiltshire, Tina Cantrell, Lauren Meadows, Lindsay Rase, and Coach Bob Craft.



Sophomore Kara McGraw prepares to make a dash for second base. Kara's speed and dedication contributed greatly during the '97 season.

Seniors Tina Cantrell and Stacey Schisler pose in their uniforms one last time before graduation.



During warm-ups, Catcher Nancy McKinnon fires the ball to second base. Nancy's ability to hit was also greatly appreciated throughout the season.

In an anxious attempt for a hit Amanda Munion fouls one off. Amanda's ability to hit improved throughout the season.

East		Opp
26	New Boston	11
16	Oak Hill	15
1	Green	7
7	Symmes Valley	9
17	Alexander	7
32	Alexander	17
9	Notre Dame	13
6	Portsmouth	7
23	St. Joe	0
0	Clay	8
17	Eastern	3
14	Oak Hill	3
4	Green	13
7	Notre Dame	17
19	New Boston	0
10	Ironton	1
14	Ironton	7
1	Symmes Valley	7
6	Portsmouth	14
0	Clay	13
13	Eastern	6
	Tournament	
15	South Gallia	0
1	South Webster	8



Polly Wiltshire, Lindsay Rase, Charity Lewis and Sarah Nichols return to the dugout to get psyched up to win yet another game. These players will return next year.

# LOOK! WE BEAT THE BURG!!!

The Tartan Tennis Team had a successful '97 season. Their greatest accomplishment came about when No. 1 Doubles Deric Paxson and Jeff Walburn, No.2 Doubles Chris Chambliss and Chad Ruggles, and No. 1 Singles Josh Rawlins walked from the courts with wins to defeat the Wheelersburg Pirates, whose team hadn't been beaten for three years.

Due to their great talent and teamwork, Seniors Josh Rawlins and Matt Justice went to the State Tournament, but were defeated in the first round.

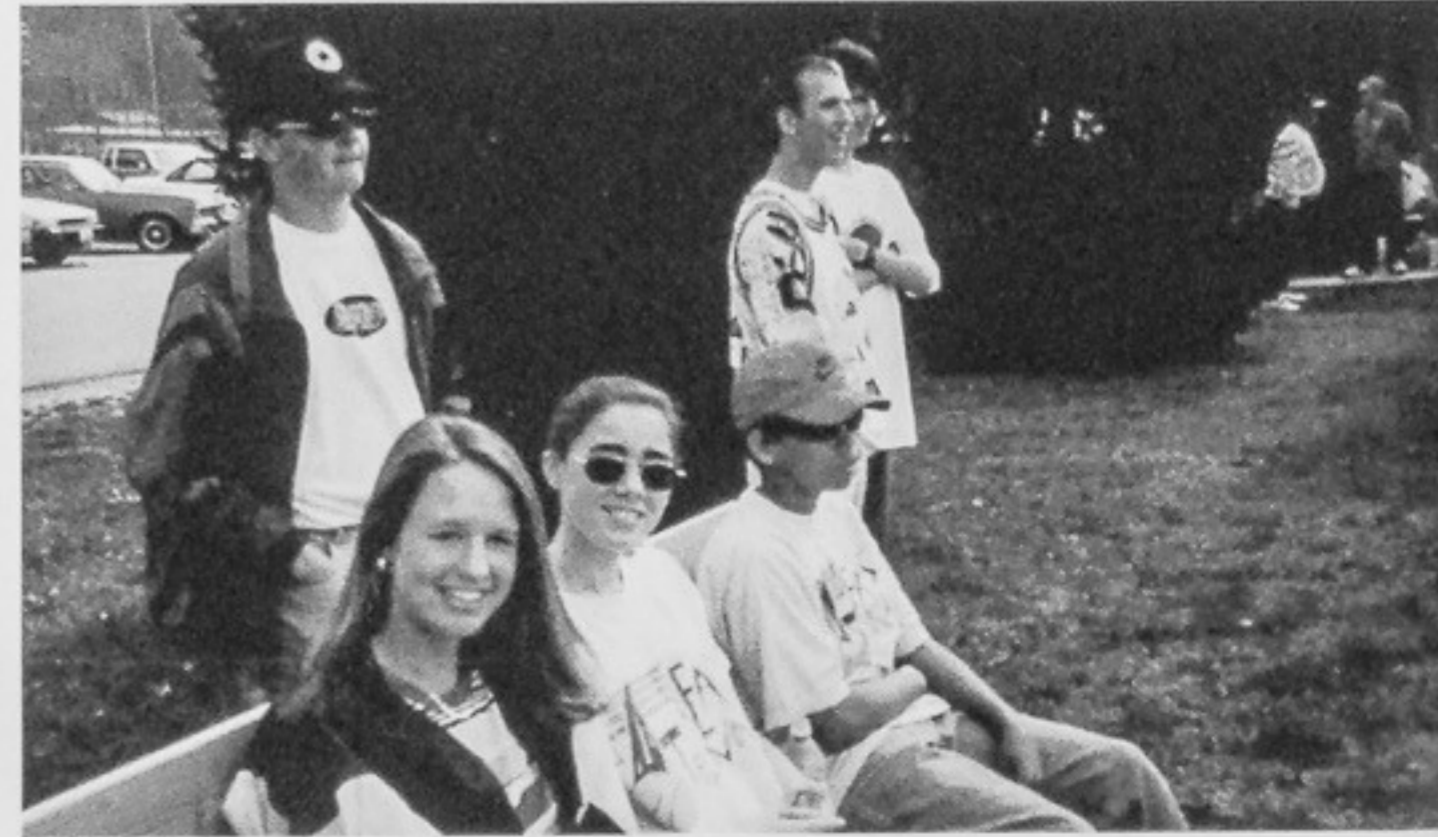
The Tartans will lose four seniors. But with the talent of next year's team, we hope to experience another exciting season.

Matt Justice rears back to hit the ball. Matt has served as a singles player throughout his high school years.

Senior Chris Chambliss prepares to return a serve during a match against West. Chris's dedication and hardwork led the Tartans through an eventful season.

Back Row: Coach Tom Carter, Terry Stevenson, Josh Rawlins, Jeff Walburn, Chris Chambliss, Deric Paxson, Craig Chamberlin, Matt Justice

Front Row: Joe Gregory, Shane Henry, Charles Payne, Adam Forshey, Mandi Lewis, Amanda Murray, Megan Smith.

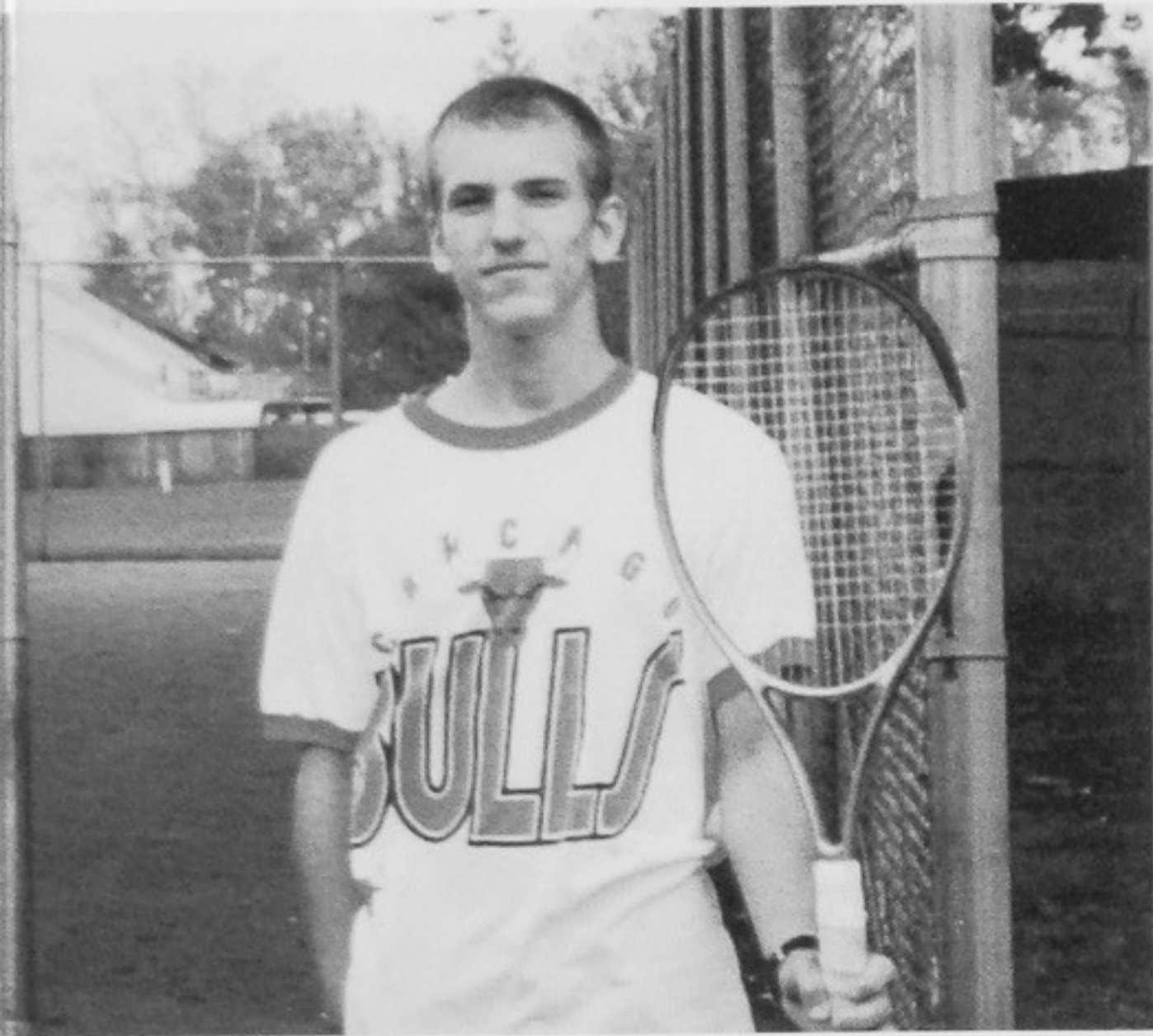


Coach Tom Carter lounges on a tractor during a game at West, while Deric Paxson and Chad Ruggles take a break from the matches. Tom was not only a good coach for his players, but was also a great friend.

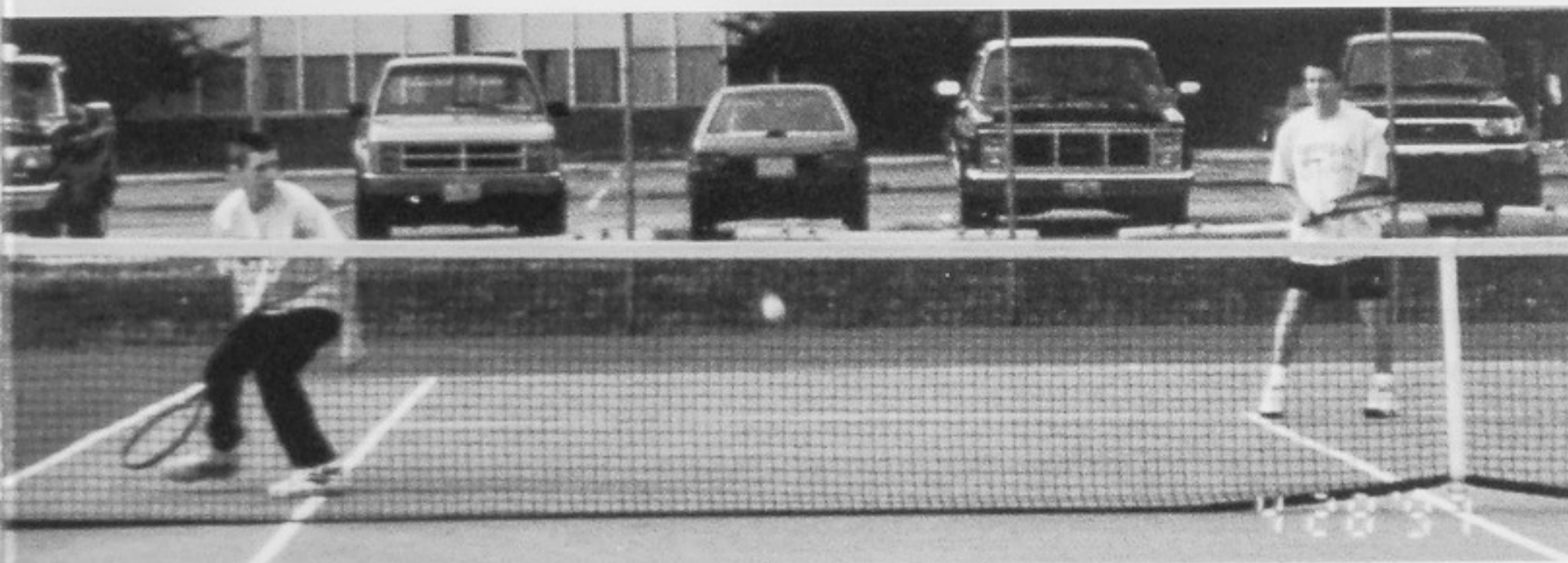
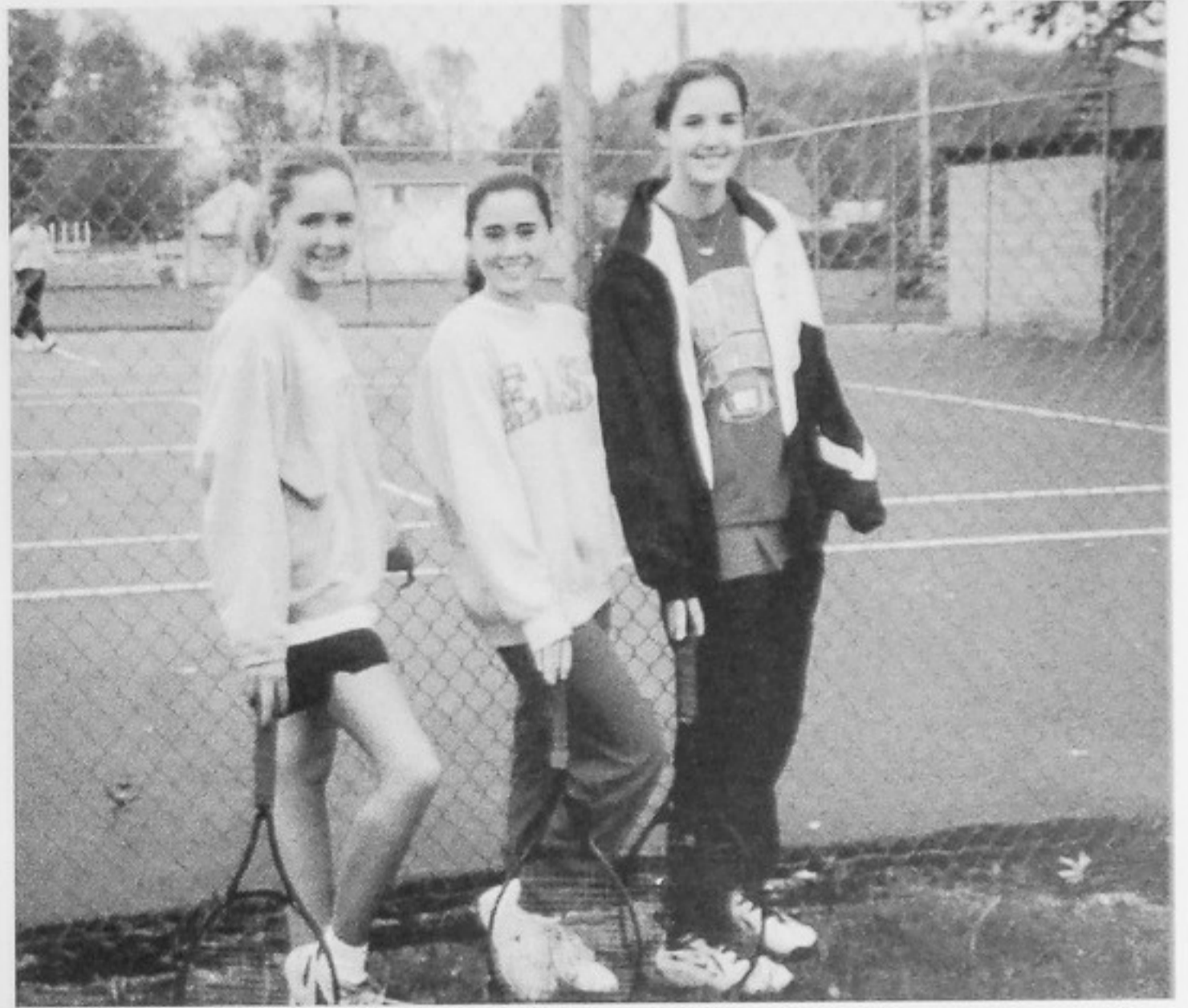
Seeing it from the sidelines, Statistician Charity Lewis, Amanda Murray, and Joe Gregory watch as the Tartans win yet another match. The older members of the team set an example for the younger players to play hard and have fun.



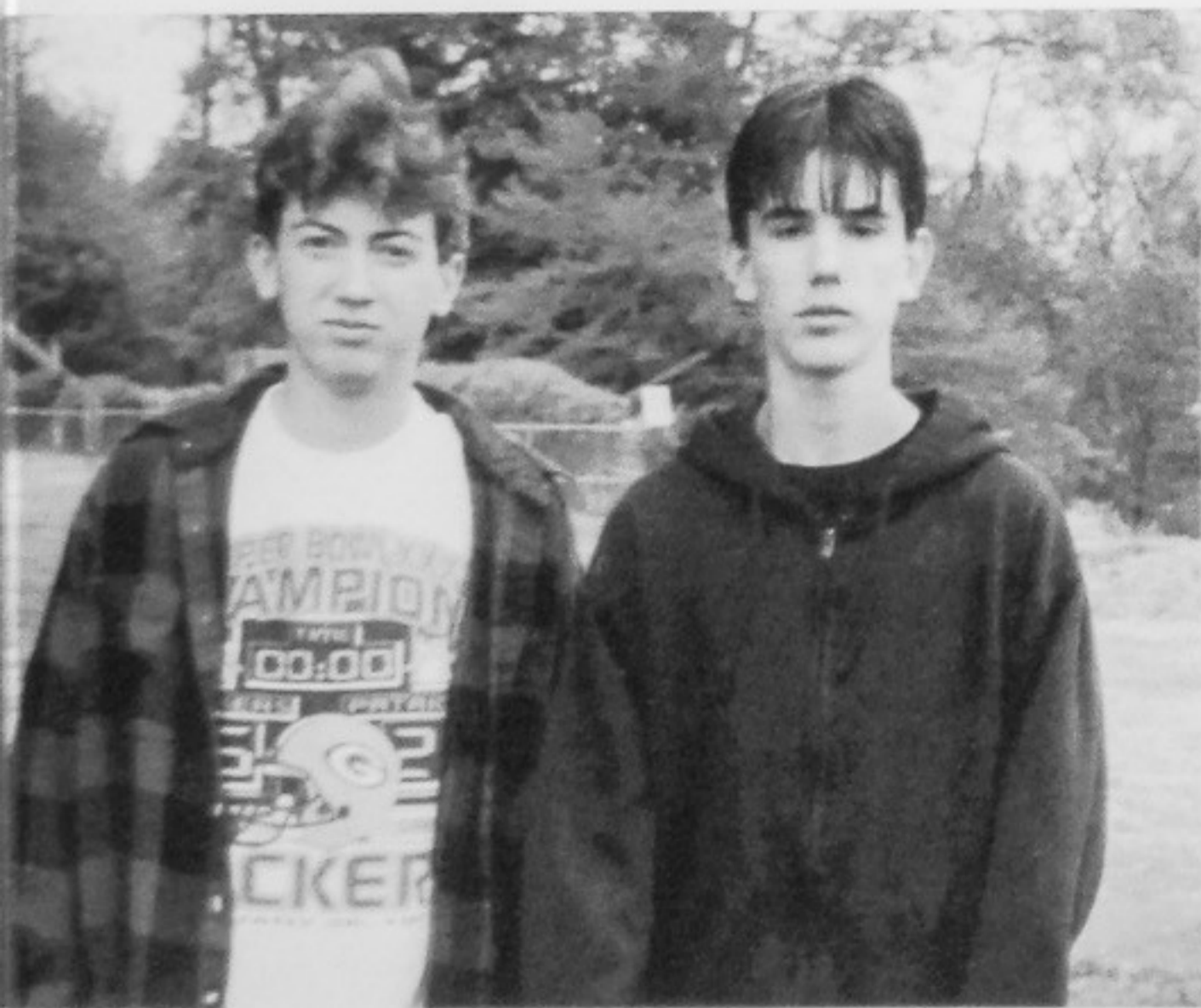
First-year member Charles Payne stops to smile for a picture. He practiced hard and displayed great determination to learn the rules of the game.



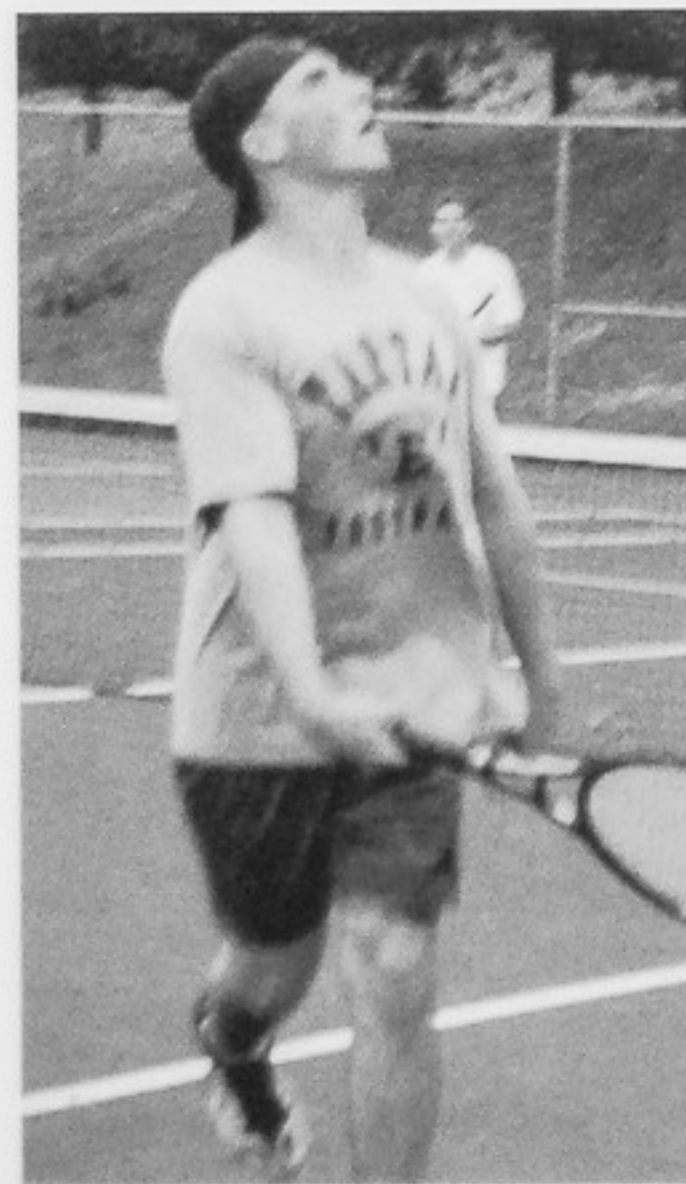
Being the only girls, Mandi Lewis, Amanda Murray, and Megan Smith, always stick together. They had the opportunity to practice their skills to enable them to return as stronger players next year.



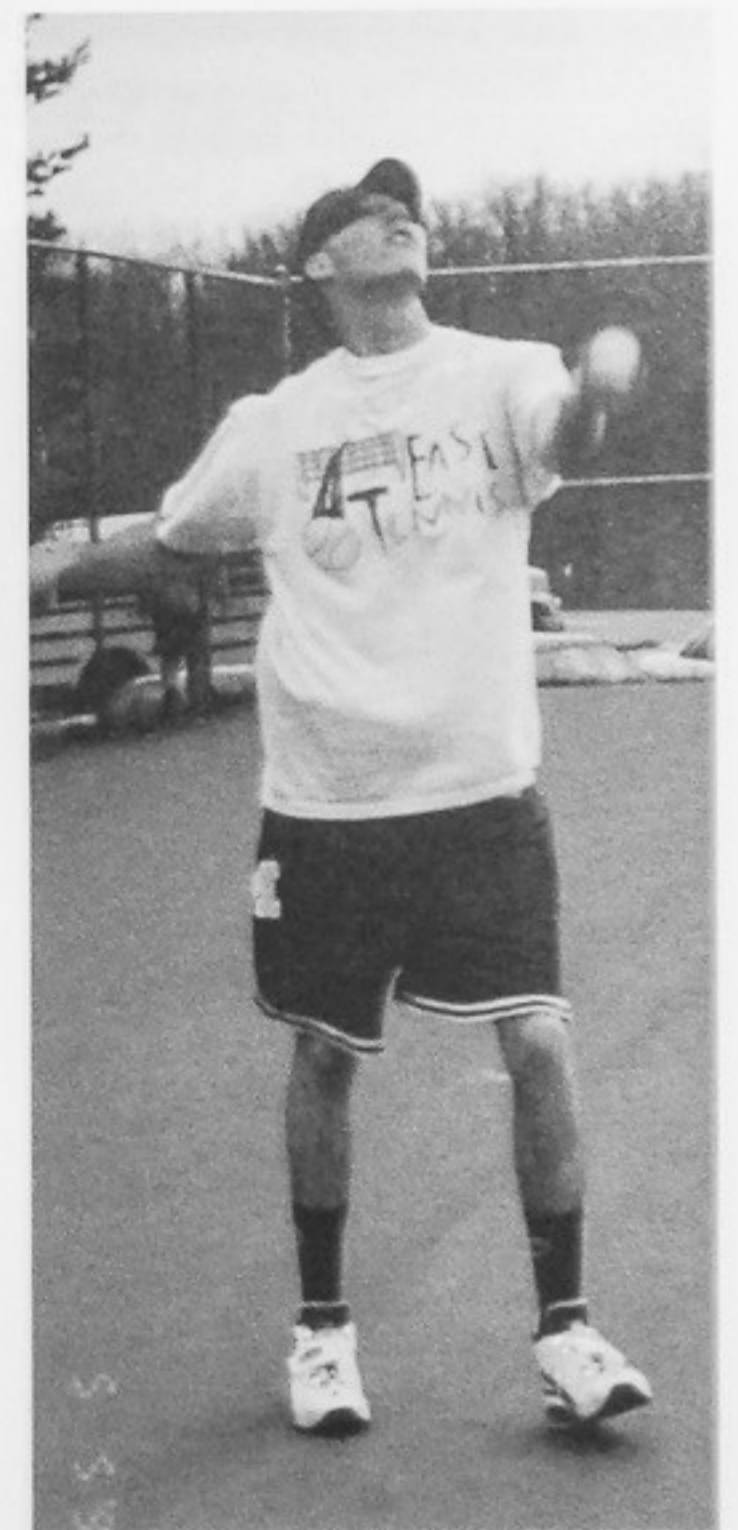
Seniors Josh Rawlins and Matt Justice show great teamwork at the match against Minford. These two qualified for State due to many hours of practice.



Shane Henry and Terry Stevenson played well this year as J.V. members. These two were great assets to the team as first-year members.



Craig Chamberlin concentrates on the ball as he sets up to return the hit. Craig played No. 2 Singles this year and will return next year as a senior.



Senior Chad Ruggles draws back to make his serve. Chad's ability to be both a singles player and a doubles player helped the team match up many wins.

# Getting Back on Track!



Here Jessica Rose is concentrating on her form for the discus throw. She improved greatly throughout the year.

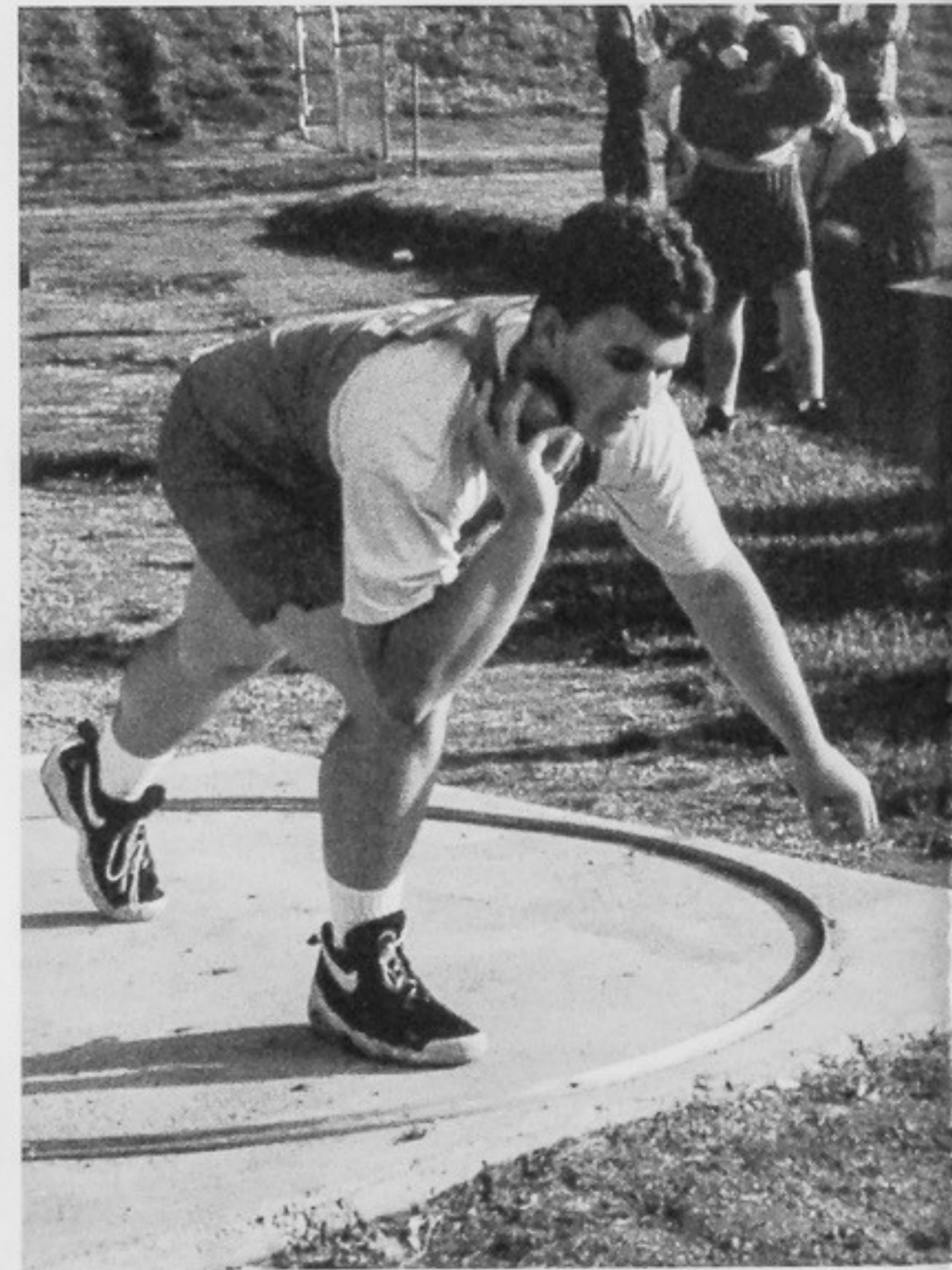


Team members include: top row, Coach Burke, Larry Carter, Tim Beaumont, Rusty Elrod, Joey Flannery, Adam Martin, Kelli Day, Shauna Elrod. Bottom row, Chris Blevins, Ryan Lodwick, Megan Sherman, Shelby Davis, Jessica Rose, Andy LeMarble, Kent Piatt. Not included - Tisha Reed.

Shelby Davis runs strong as she crosses the finish line for the 100-meter dash. As a beginning runner, Shelby showed much potential for her upcoming track years at East.



Exhausted, Runner Megan Sherman finishes the 800-meter run. A freshman, Megan did well during her first season on the Tartan track team.



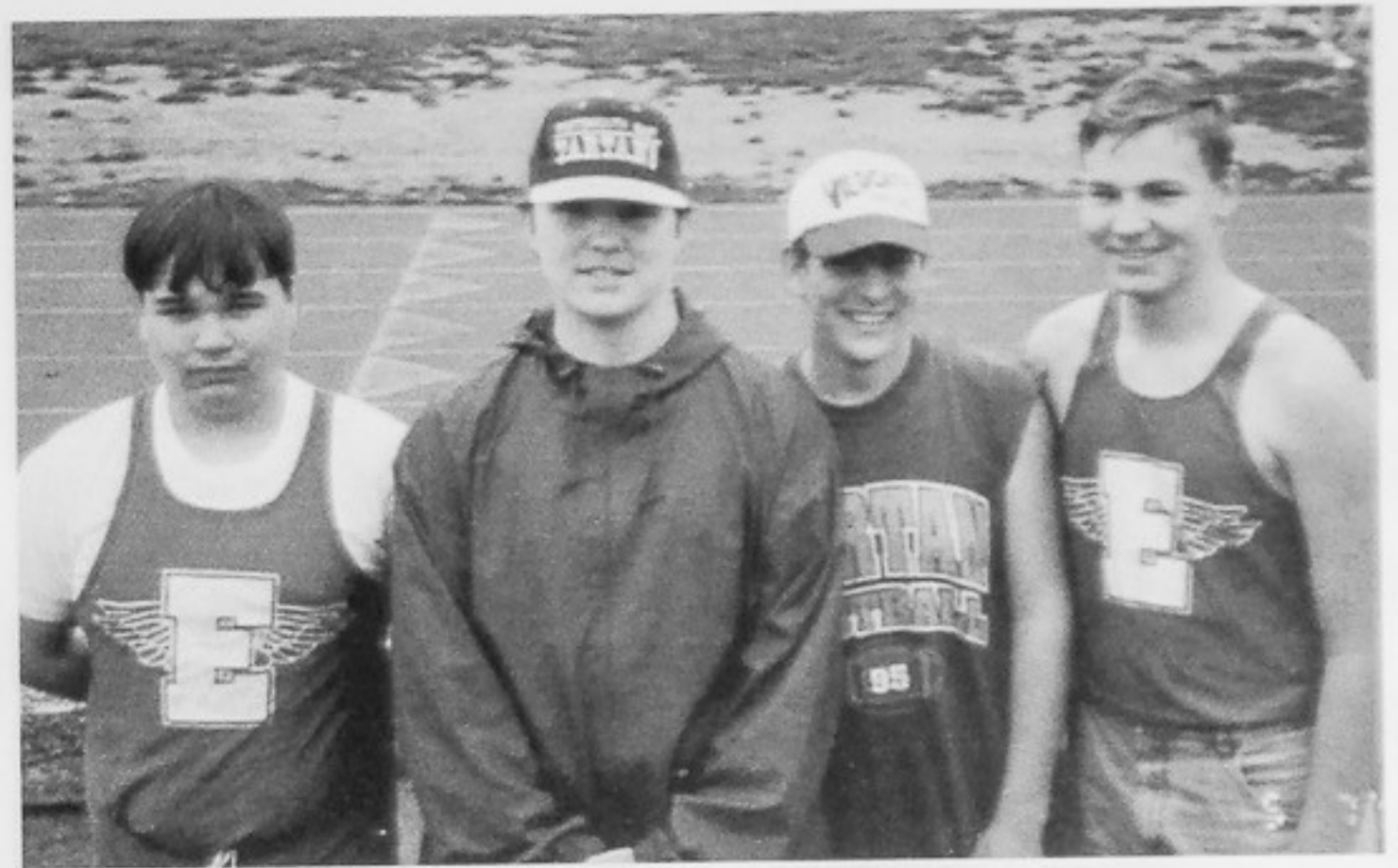
Rusty Elrod gets ready to launch the shot put. He threw the shot over 43 feet.

Top right: The Fat-Man relay team, Adam Martin, Larry Carter, Andy Marble, and Tim Bomar, pose for a picture before the race. This year's team did surprisingly well.

Chris Blevins holds his pole firmly as he prepares to jump. Chris scored several points this year in pole vault.

Bottom right: Kent Piatt leads the pack in the 400 meter dash. Kent was a great asset to the team this year.

Right bottom: Freshman Kelli Day prepares to make another winning discus throw. Kelli earned many points for the East track team this year.



## 1996-97 Powerlifting Team

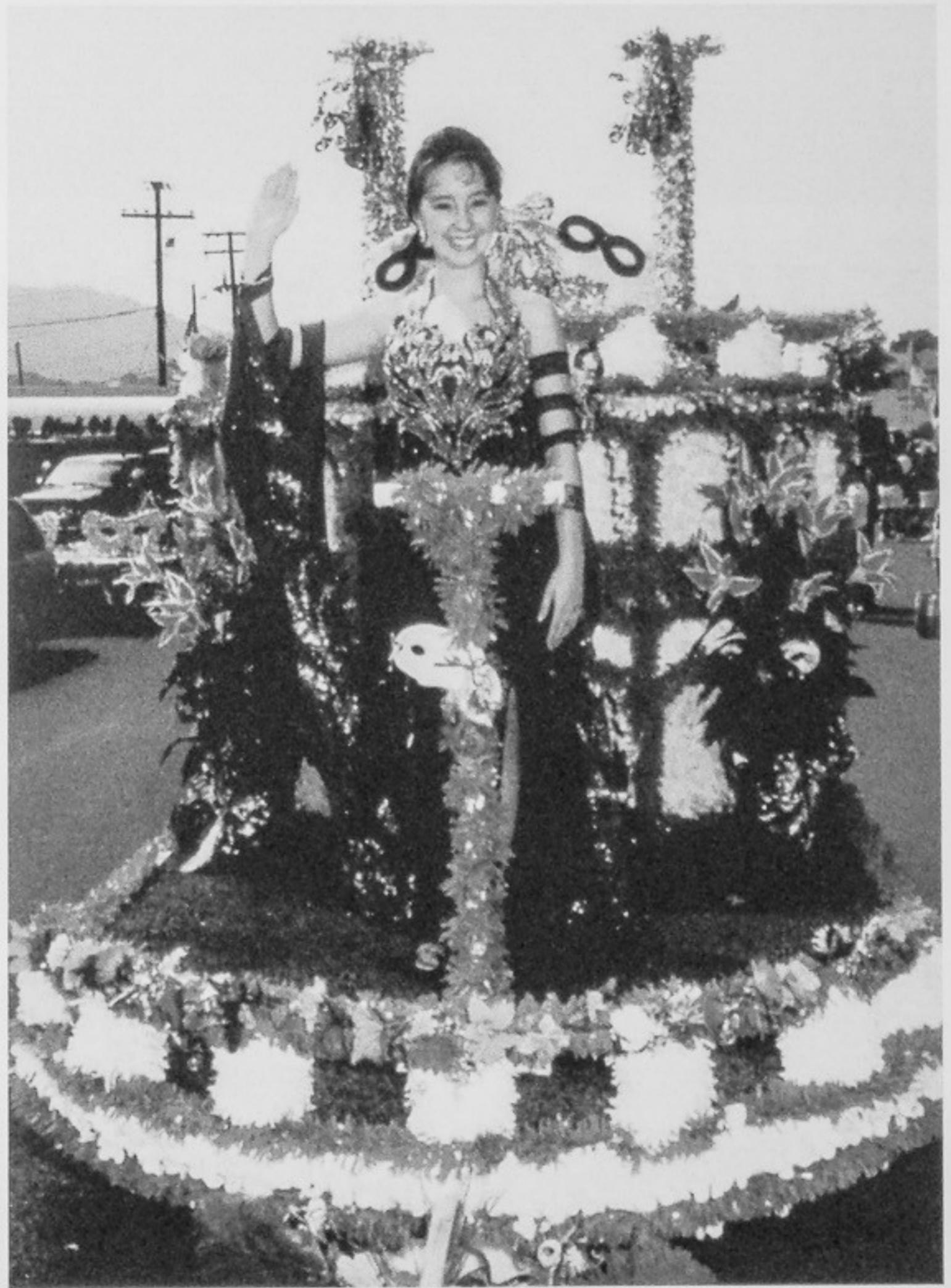


Members of the powerlifting team: Back row- Andy Messer, Craig Chamberlin, Derrick Hammond, Brett Davis, Coach Davis, Eric Horsley, Ryan Lodwick, Joe Flannery. Front row - Andy LeMarble, Kent Piatt, Adam Slusher, Brian Thacker, Kevin Billings. Not pictured - Rusty Elrod, Chris Blevins.

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Activities



# River Days 1996

“Mardi Gras on the River” was the theme of the 1996 River Days Pageant that was held on August 31 at Shawnee State Activities Center. As the time moved closer to eight P.M., the gym became filled, and each school’s representative was announced along with an escort. Stacey Schisler, escorted by Tristan Spinski, was announced as Miss Portsmouth East.

She enjoyed participation in the annual parade in the afternoon. Later she competed in a personal interview, the Mardi Gras costume dance and an

evening gown competition where she was able to deliver a speech.

Stacey represented East High School with style and with class. The student body congratulates her on a job well done in the 1996 River Days Festival.

Stacey comments on her experience by saying, “I am grateful to the student body for this wonderful opportunity. I made 12 new friendships that will last a lifetime and will never forget the pride of being named Miss Portsmouth East. Thanks, guys! I love You!”

Showing off her colorful threads, Stacey struts her stuff during the costume competition.



Stacey flashes a relieved smile as she strikes a pose during the dance competition. All of the contestants enjoyed participating in this category.

Gleaming with pride, Stacey Schisler waves at the crowd. Stacey was elected by the student body to represent East High School in the 1996 Miss River Days Pageant.



Anxiously awaiting the judges decision, Stacey models her evening gown one last time.

# Wonderful Tonight

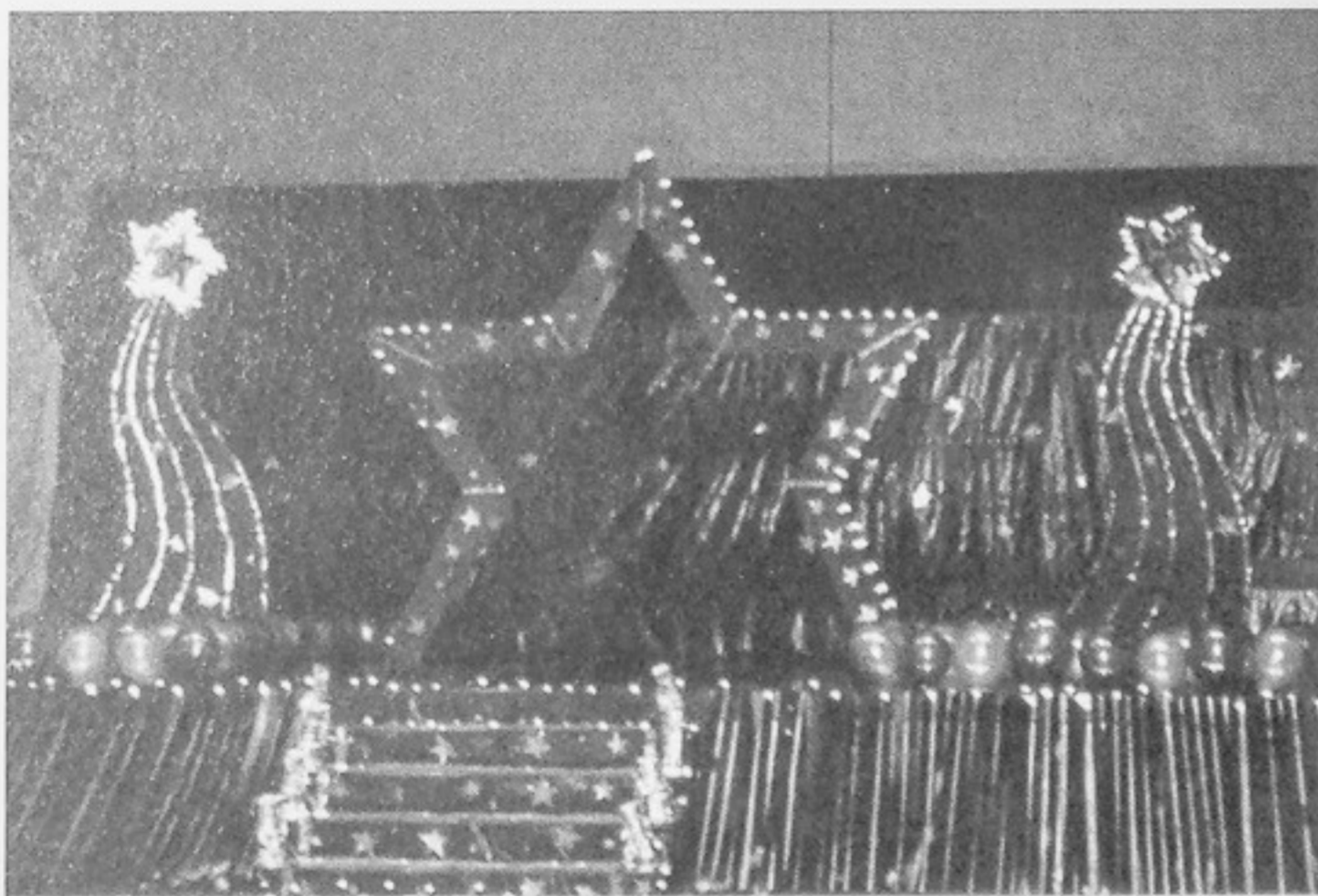
It was a rainy, cold night on October 25 as the 1996 Football Homecoming candidates gathered to start the parade to the park. During the East vs. Symmes Valley game the attendants huddled in the stands trying to keep dry and warm. The senior attendants watched the clock more than the game excitedly awaiting the ceremonies to begin.

The seniors were called down the field - Lindsay Miller escorted by Jacob Escamilla, Stacey Schisler, escorted by Tristan Spinski, and Angie Stapleton, escorted by Michael

Stapleton. The SCJVS attendant was Nicki Craig, escorted by John Thacker. The junior class attendant was Stacey Haywood, escorted by Mark Pollard. The sophomore class chose as their attendant Amanda Murray, escorted by Jeremy Ketter. The freshman attendant was Brenna Davis, escorted by Josh Rawlins.

As the music played softly in the background, Emily Carter announced that Lindsay Miller was our 1996 Football Homecoming Queen. Lindsay was presented with her crown by Tracy Jenkins.

With escort Jacob Escamilla, Lindsay Miller smiles between tears after she has received her crown as queen of the 1996 Football Homecoming Court. This honor was awarded by the vote of the whole student body.



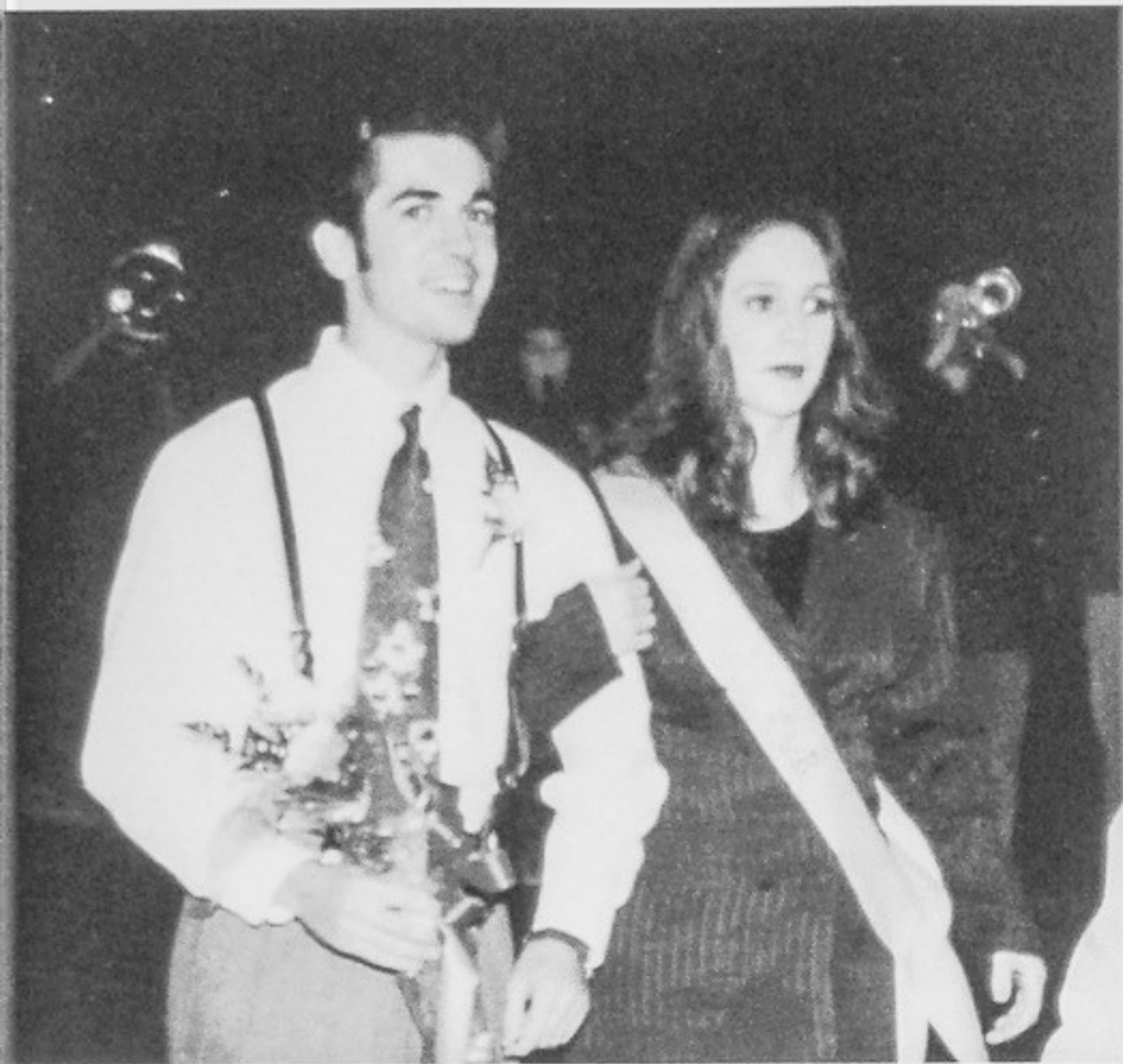
Stars light up the stage for the dance to honor the queen and her court. A lot of hard work went into this year's decorations by the Advanced Math class and the attendants.

Senior attendant Stacey Schisler receives her sash from Amanda Munion while her escort Tristan Spinski holds her flowers. Stacey also represented East at the 1996 River Days Festival.



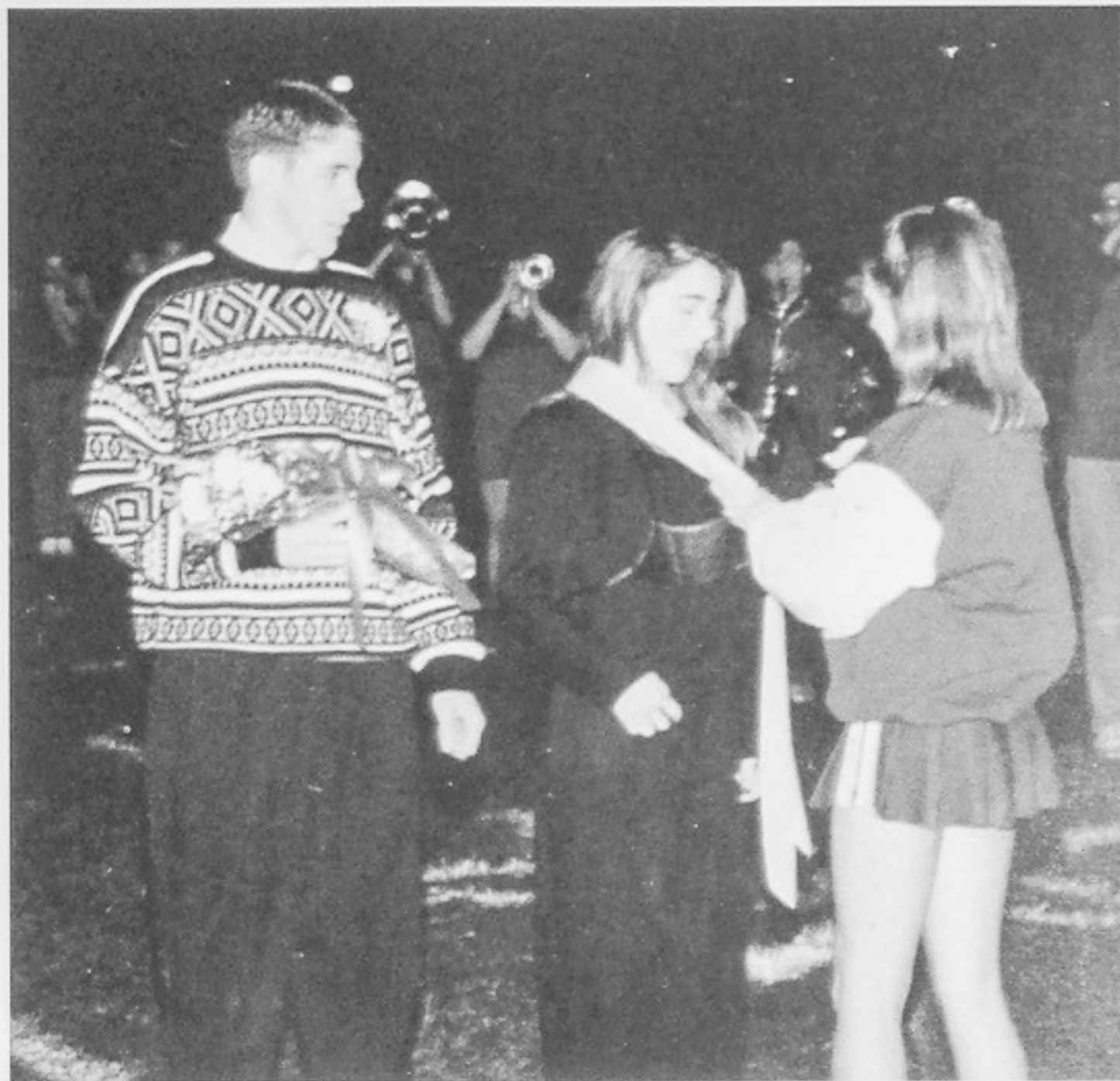
Excited freshman attendant Brenna Davis smiles beautifully as Vanessa Bilitier pins on her sash. Brenna was escorted by Josh Rawlins.





Angie Stapleton and her escort Michael Stapleton wait patiently to see who is to be named the 1996 Homecoming Queen. Angie was one of the senior attendants.

Amanda Murray escorted by Jeremy Ketter pauses as Charity Lewis pins on her sash. Amanda was nominated as this year's sophomore attendant.



The Pep Club Secretary Tracy Jenkins escorts the crown bearer Matthew McAllister and the flower girl Kristin McAllister across the field. Tracy also crowned the 1996 Football Homecoming Queen.

The homecoming decorating committee proudly poses in front of their masterpiece. Every year the Advanced Math class looks forward to and takes pride in decorating the stage.



With Tracy Jenkins and Willy Fletcher in the background, Matt Justice takes on the complicated job of assembling the star stickers on the cardboard.

# “Lady In Red”

The 1997 basketball homecoming was held on the first day of February. The night was filled with plenty of excitement as the Queen and her court lined up at the doors ready to start the ceremonies. The announcements of the attendants were made by Stacy Schisler.

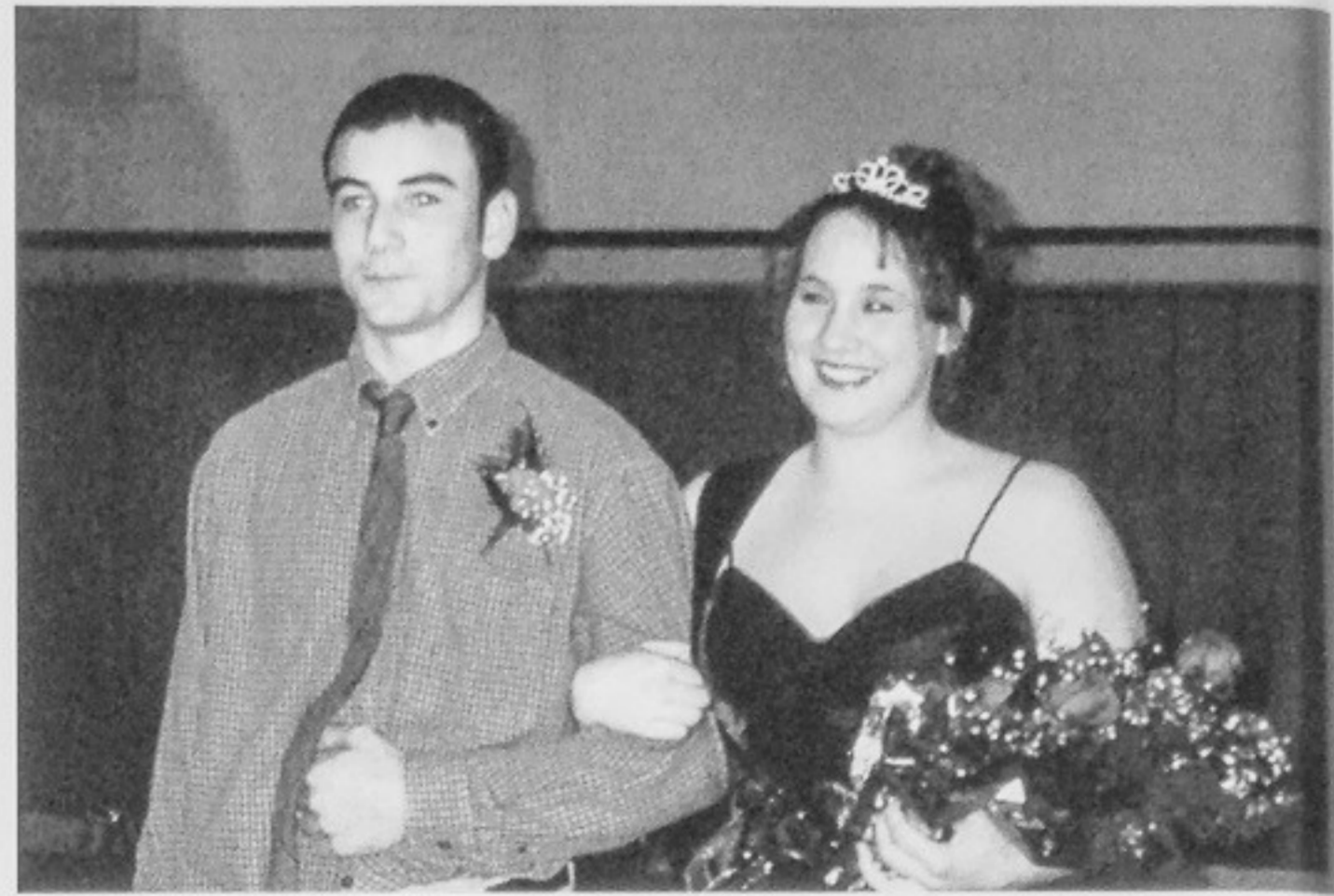
Each girl who was an attendant was nominated and voted on for this honor by their classmates. The freshman attendant was Shelby Davis, escorted by Kent Piatt. The sophomore attendant was Charity Lewis, escorted by Ben Etterling. The junior attendants were Amanda Munion, escorted by Matt Hammer, and Polly Wiltshire, escorted by Mark Pollard. The JVS attendant was Nicky Miller, escorted by Adam Slusher. The Senior attendant was Erica Brown, escorted by Matt Justice.

Now with the anticipation rising, it was time for the queen herself to make her grand entrance to stand with her court. As “Lady In Red” played softly in the background, Tina Cantrell, escorted by Josh Sherman, made her way to the center of the court. Tina was crowned by Yearbook Editor Judy Cooper. As Tina smiled with great enthusiasm, she turned to lead her court to sit with her on the stage. The stage was filled with beautiful red, black, and gold. From the throne the queen and her court watched as the East Varsity team took the court to warm up for the game.

The Homecoming dance was held after the game in honor of Queen Tina Cantrell and her court.

The 1997 Homecoming Court gather on the stage to pose for pictures. The theme for this year’s homecoming was “Lady in Red.”

Josh Sherman and Tina Cantrell stand smiling at the crowd, after Tina was crowned the 1997 Basketball Homecoming queen.



The flower girl was Emily Lowe and the crown bearer was Christian Murphy. They were escorted by Judy Cooper.



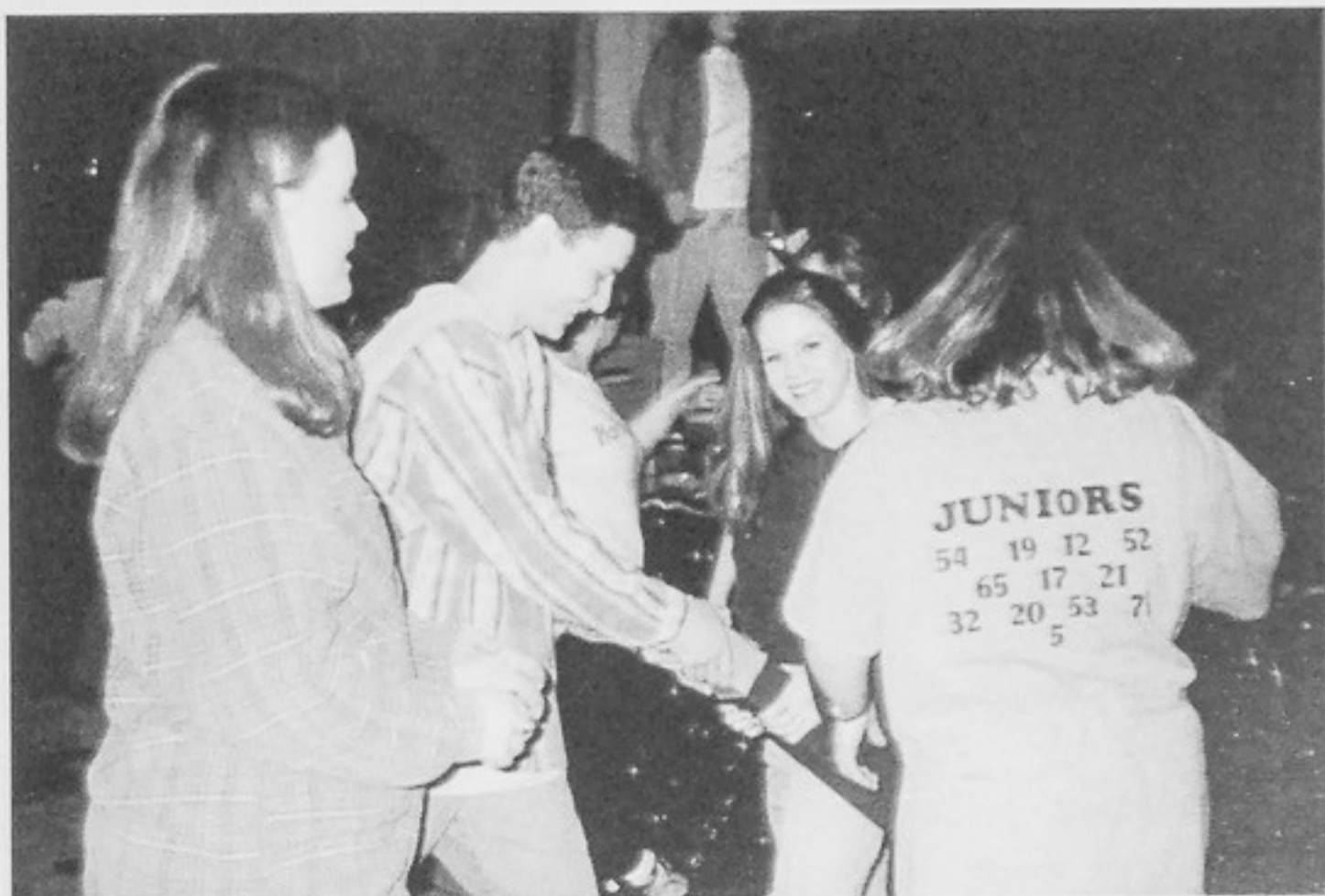
The Homecoming court - Polly Wiltshire, Amanda Munion, Tina Cantrell, Erica Brown, Charity Lewis, and Shelby Davis. These girls worked very hard to achieve this honor. Not pictured is SCJVS representative Nicky Miller.



...rushing for a quick snapshot before the homecoming ceremonies, Amanda  
 ...union and Matt Hammer flash nervous smiles.



Christy Vanmeter, Matt Justice, Heather Odle, and Lindsay Rase work hard to  
 get the chandelier together. Lots of teamwork helped to make it a success.



Lady Cooper and Shelby Davis work diligently on the stage decorations. Many  
 ...worked hard to get it completed.



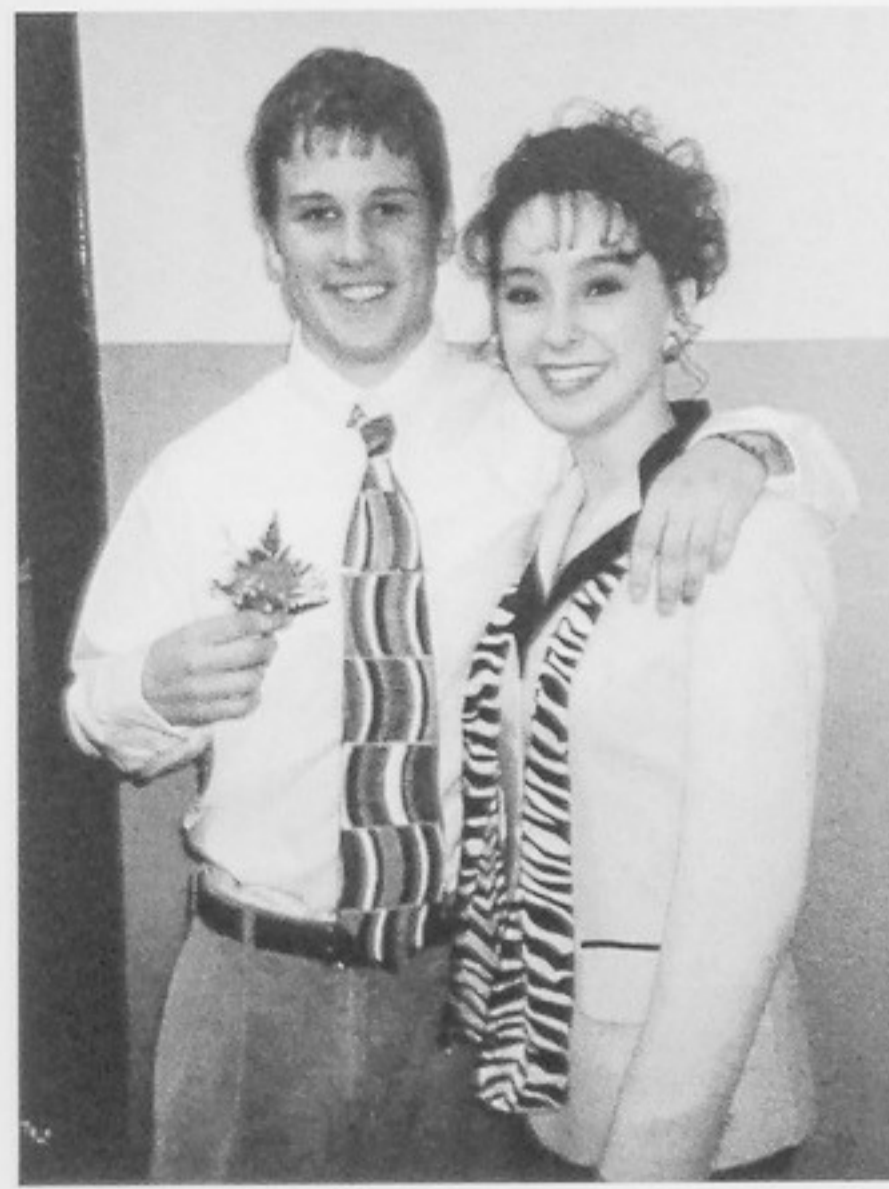
Karen Luther, Steven Hunter, and Amanda Raynard engage in small talk before  
 they strut their stuff for homecoming. These three pals did a swell job in  
 supporting and representing East High School.



Tracy Jenkins put the finishing touch on the stage.  
 After all of the hard work and dedication by the  
 yearbook staff, the stage was finally finished.



Jessica Rose and Dustin Payton stop and chat during the  
 homecoming dance. Many students stayed after the bas-  
 ketball game and enjoyed the dance.



After a few minutes of hollering about not getting a  
 flower, Tristan Spinski steals Stacey's. Stacey  
 Schisler announced the homecoming ceremony.

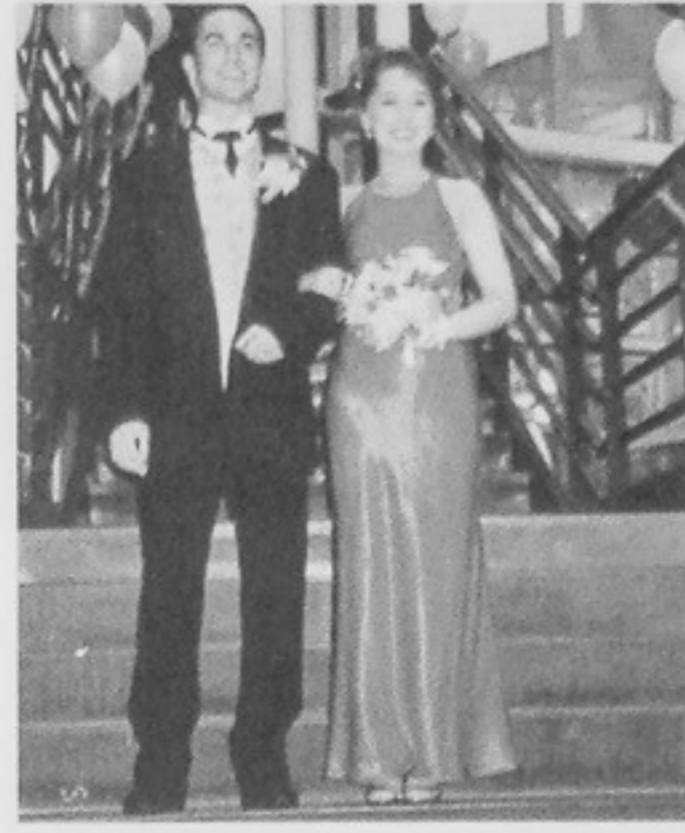
Craig Chamberlin and Katie Gee



Matt Hammer and Tina Cantrell



Michael Stapleton and Stacey Schisler



Jason Armes and Erica Brown



Bill Walburn and Kate Brown



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Jeff Walburn and Amanda Munion

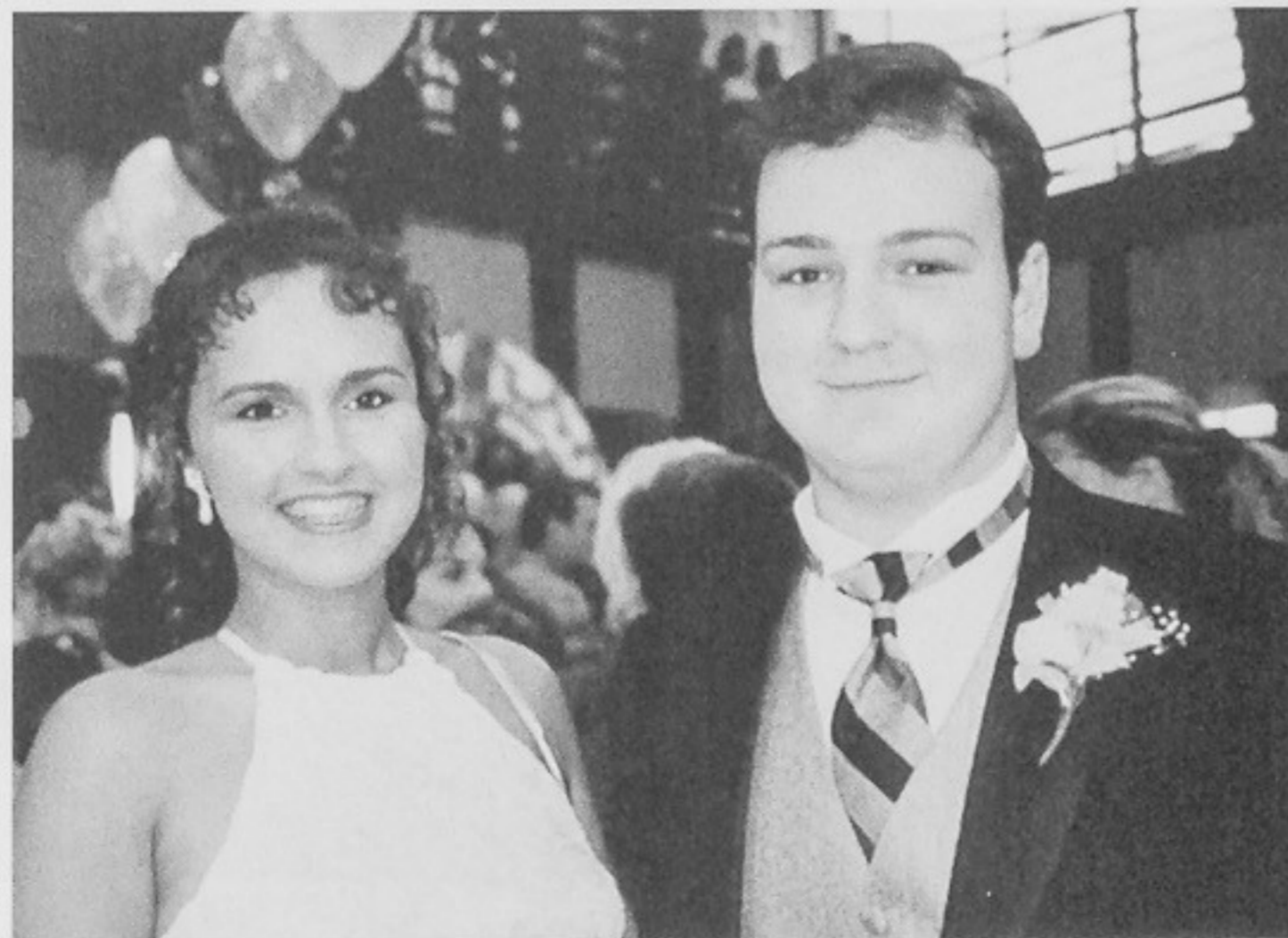


## Crazy For You

At seven o'clock on May 9, 1997, couples arrived at the Shawnee State University Center dressed in glamorous gowns and tantalizing tuxedos. Family and friends gathered to take pictures of these elegant men and women. The flashes of the cameras made everyone shimmer as they strolled down the stairs. After the Grand March, all students and faculty enjoyed the buffet dinner of prime rib or chicken. During the dinner, we had the chance to talk and spend special time with each other.

The dance floor was soon crowded with couples holding

on to one another as they will always hold these memories in their hearts. Many emotions flowed across the dance floor as the Seniors spent the hours dancing their last prom away. Toward the end of the evening, Tracy Jenkins and Chad Monroe were crowned the 1997 Prom King and Queen. On the last song, Boyz II Men's End of the Road, the Seniors joined to form a circle which represented their ongoing friendship. The Junior/Senior Prom, "Crazy for You", was an evening that will always be remembered.

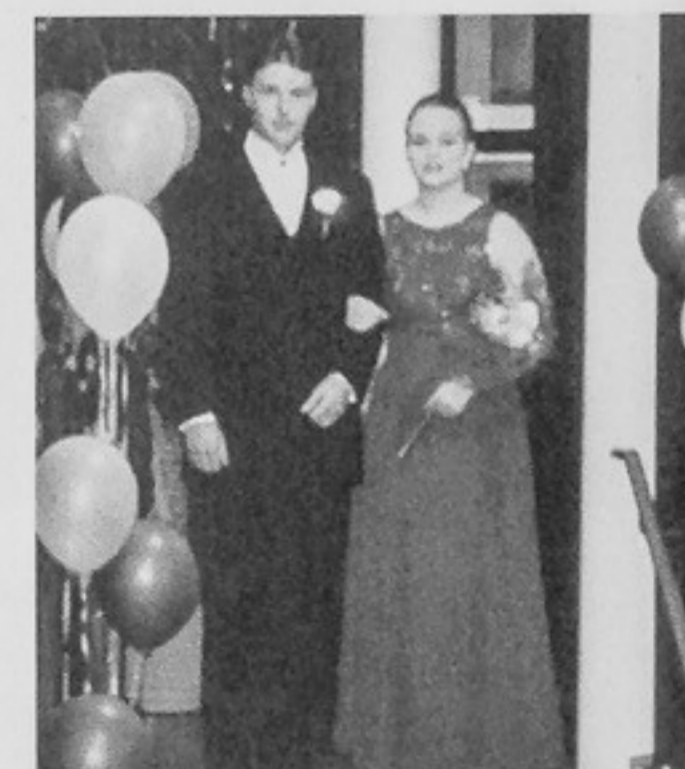


As with tradition, the Prom is always topped off with the announcing of Prom Queen and King. The 1997's Prom Queen and King were life-long friends, Tracy Jenkins and Chad Monroe.



Juniors Amanda Munion and Katie Gee. enjoy their first prom and look forward to the next. Prom night was filled with many hours of memory making experiences.

Chris Chambliss and Christi VanMeter



Mark Pollard and Aimee Forshey



Tristan Spinski and Heather Odle



Ivan Dunham and Amanda Wilson



Joe Flannery and Jessica Rose



Joe Flannery, Matt Hammer, and Brett Davis take a breather from all of the high-aerobic activity in front of them.

Seniors Jamie King, Matt Justice, Tracy Jenkins, and Chad Monroe enjoy their last Prom dinner together.



Everybody dance, dance, dance!! The dance floor was packed with Juniors and Seniors everywhere!!

Seniors Dustin Paxson, Chris Chambliss, and Junior Christi VanMeter wait patiently for the food.

James Meadows and Sonja Pauley



Dustin Paxson and Polly Wiltshire

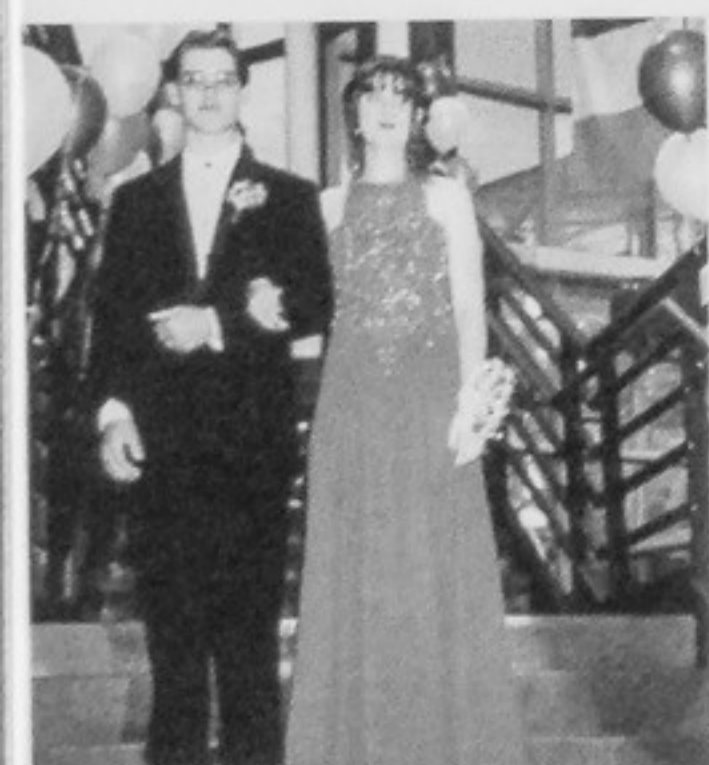


Chris Craft and Stacy Haywood



Brett Davis and Mindy Crawford

Andy Messer and Lindsay Rase



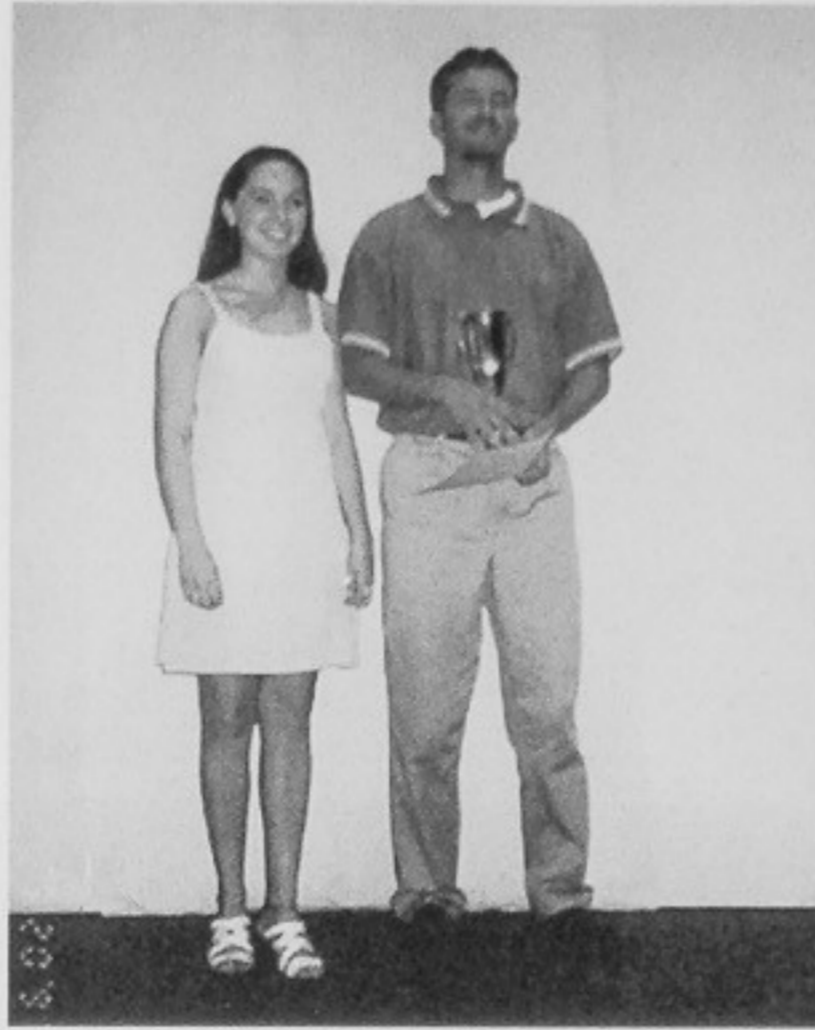
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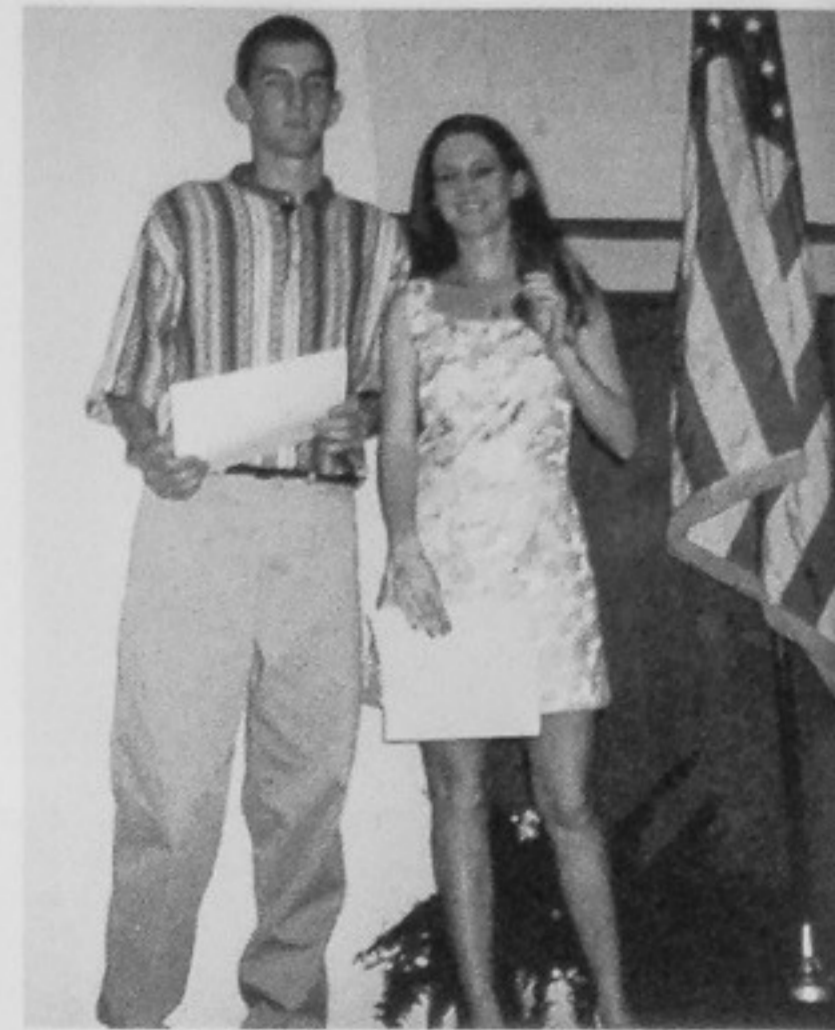
Sandy Pence Award- Tracy Jenkins



Junior Cup Award- Todd Gilliland



OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award- Josh Rawlins and Heather Odle



Nathan Jenkins Memorial Scholarship- Kate Brown



H.O.B.Y. Nominee- Megan Smith



Chris Dunham Memorial Scholarship- Jamie King



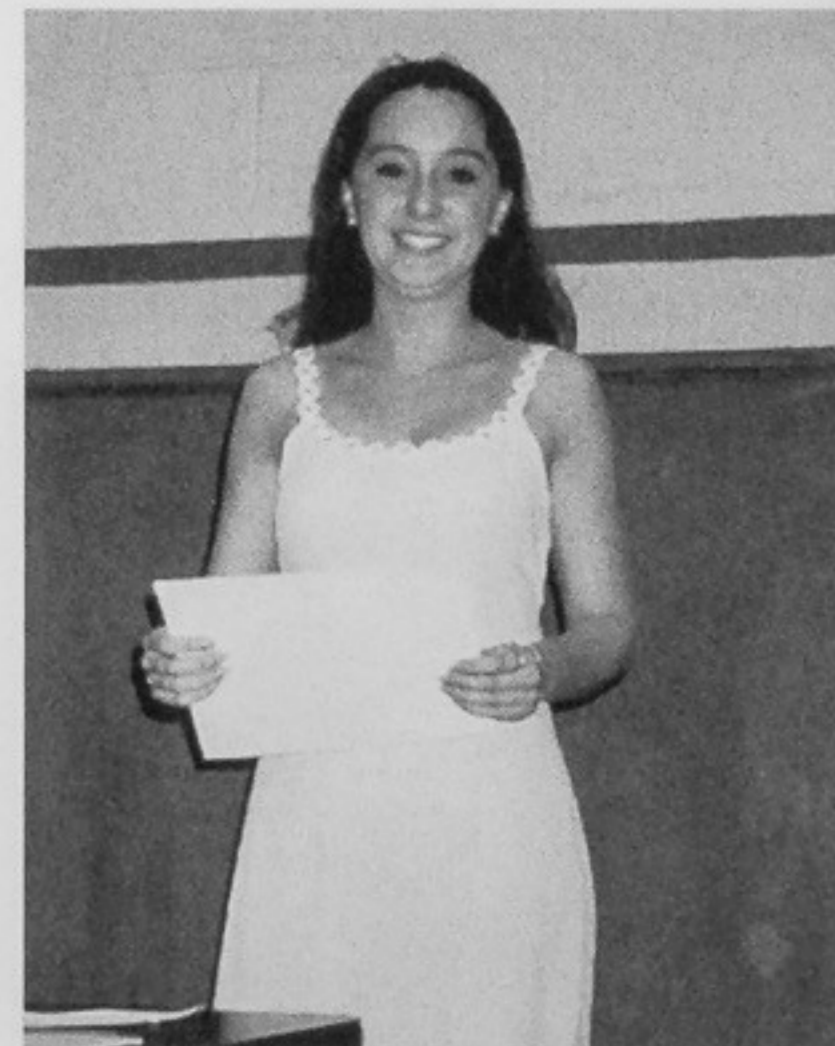
Boo James Memorial Scholarship- Stacey Schisler



U.S. Army Scholar/Athlete Award- Michael Stapleton and Tracy Jenkins



All- State Sportsmanship Award- Stacey Schisler



Highest Honors- Michael Stapleton, Angie Stapleton, Heather Odle, Lindsay Miller, and Aimee Forshey



Honors- Josh Sherman, Tristan Spinski, Kate Brown, Jamie King and Tracy Jenkins



Award of Merit- Aimee Forshey, Lindsay Miller, Heather Odle, Angie Stapleton, and Michael Stapleton



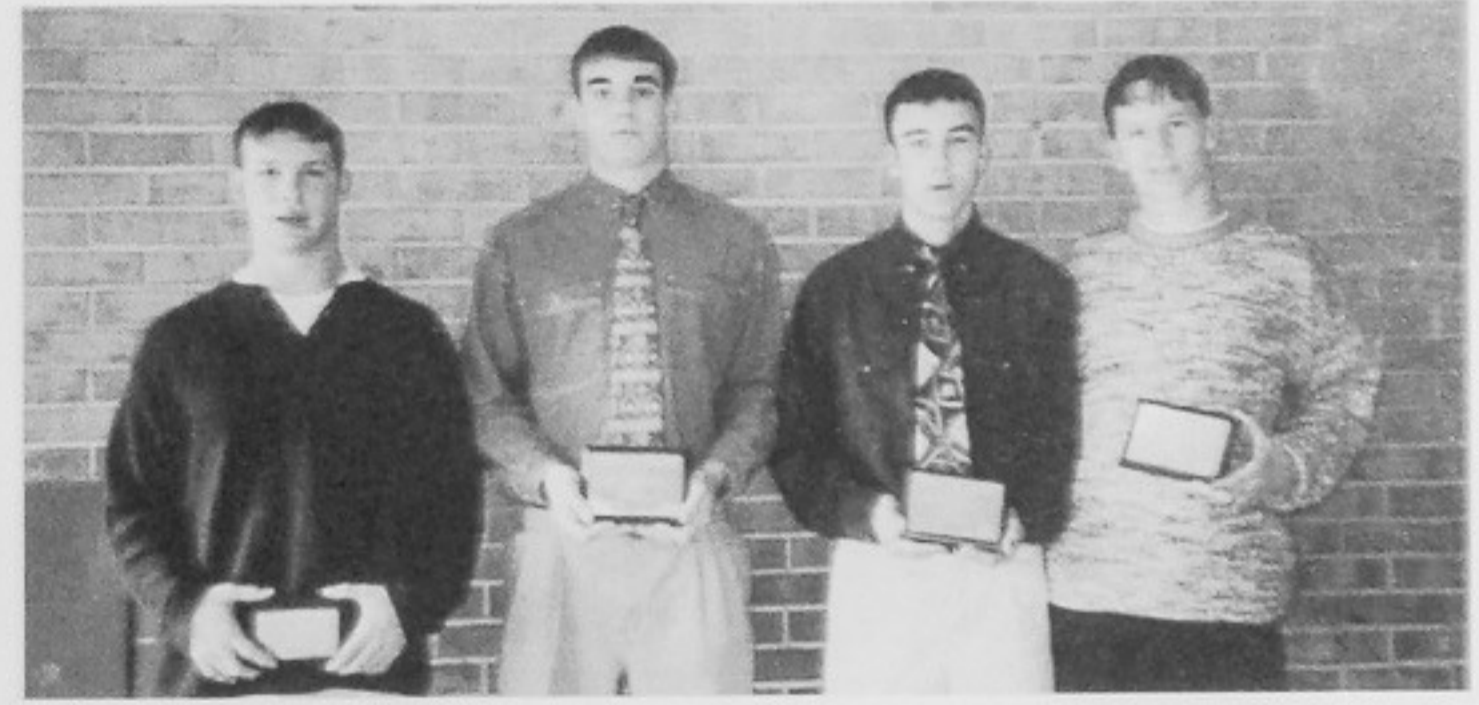
Presidential Scholars- Aimee Forshey, Lindsay Miller, Heather Odle, and Tristan Spinski



Alumni Scholarship Winners- Aimee Forshey, Erica Brown, and Tracy Jenkins



1st Team SOC Football- Bill Walburn and Josh Sherman  
2nd Team SOC Football- Bobby Howard, Andy Messer, and Dustin Paxson (not pictured)



Quiz Bowl Einstein Award- Aimee Forshey



Top Art Student Award- Kate Brown



# “To Infinity and Beyond!”- The Class of 1997

The Valedictorian of the Class of 1997, is Lindsay Miller with a 4.9 GPA. Heather Odle and Aimee Forshey were tied with GPA's of 4.88 as Salutatorians. All three delivered addresses to their classmates and relatives.

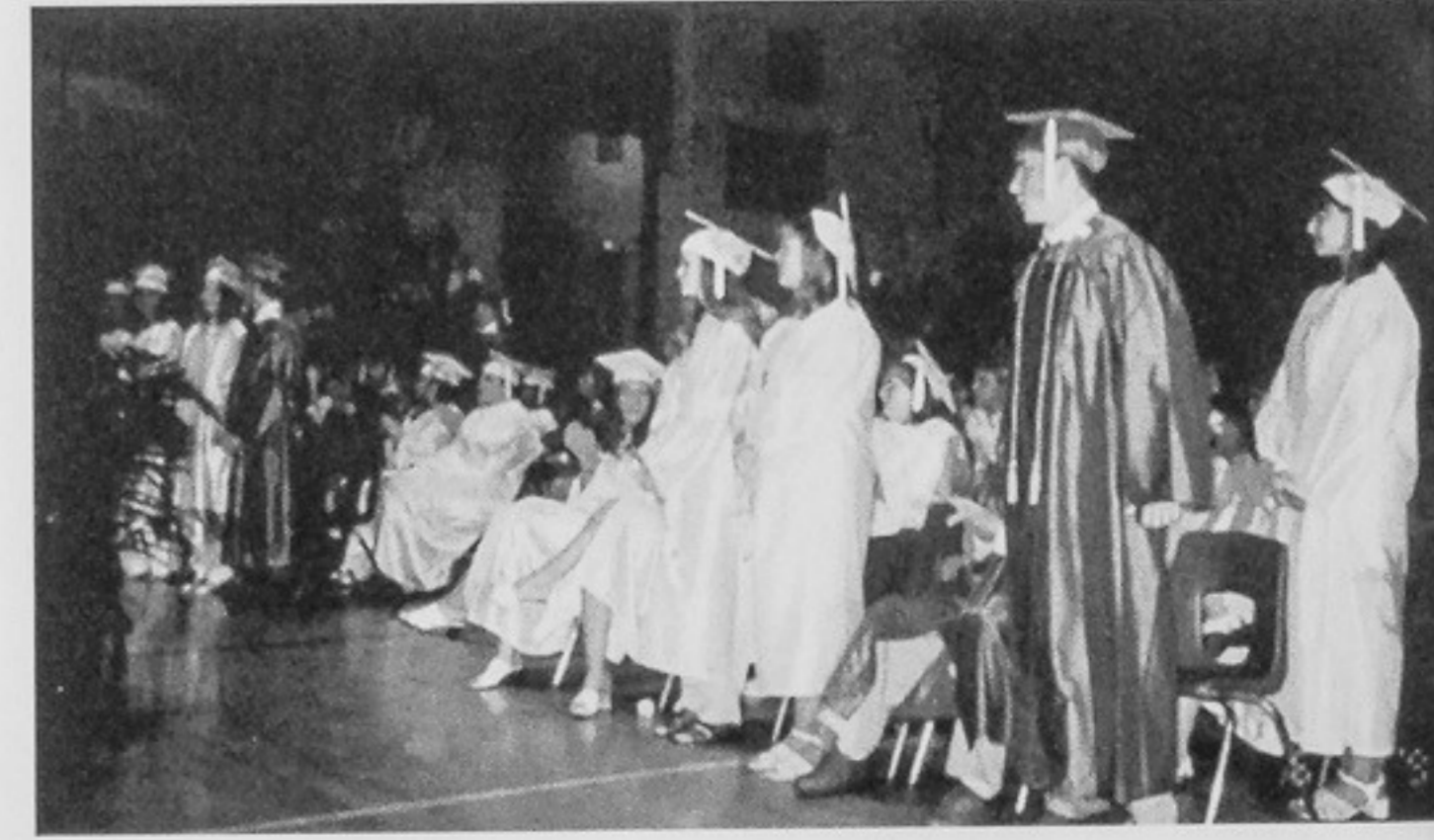
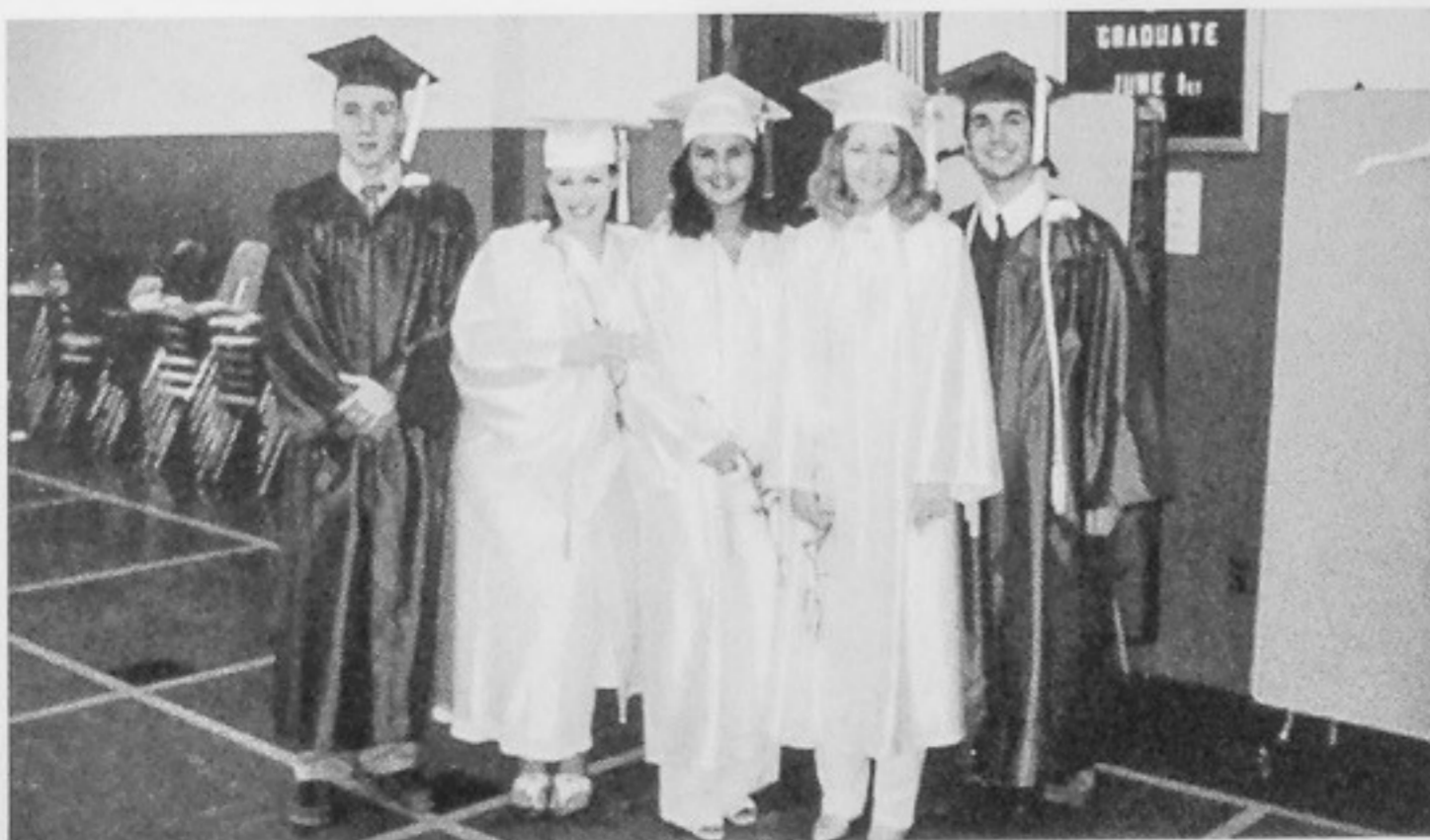
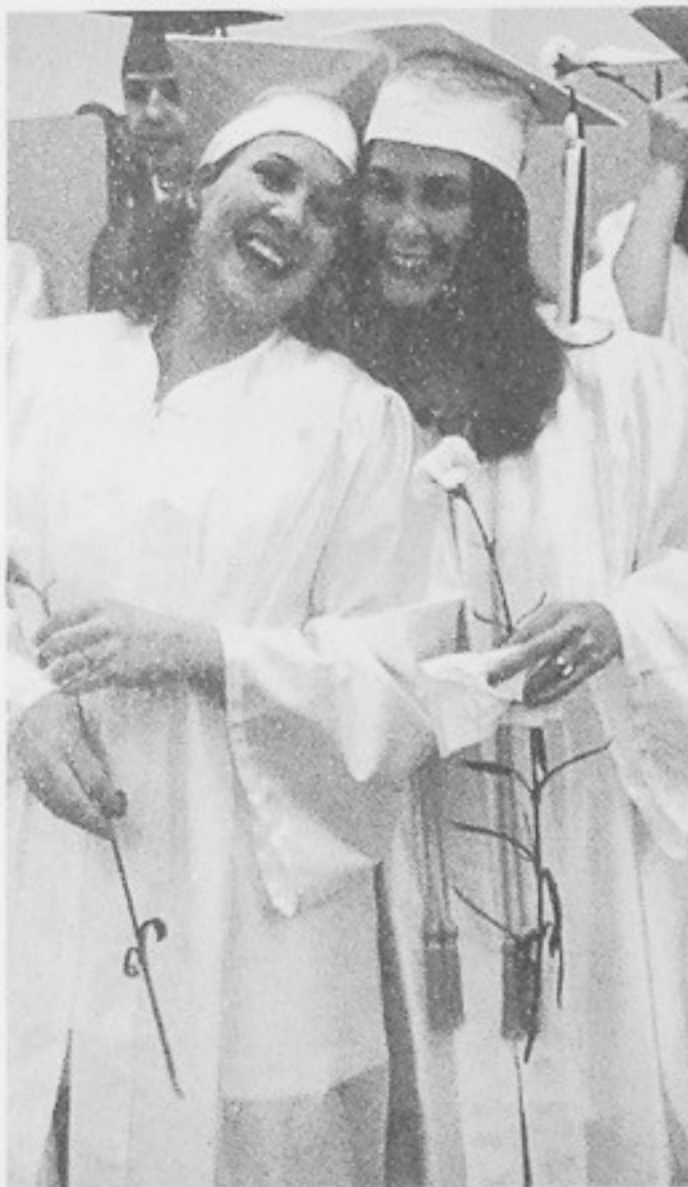
Time, effort, and togetherness is what brought the Class of 1997 to the East High gymnasium on Sunday, June 1, 1997, at one p.m. The afternoon began with the pinning of corsages and pre-farewell tears, both of joy and sadness, and the day ended with the hopes that someday they will meet again.

As the Seniors joined in the cafeteria for one last time together, they realized that in merely fifty minutes, they would join the other graduates of East High School as Alumni.

For now, they must pray that someday their paths would cross again, as they stand together once more as the Class of 1997.

Tina Cantrell and Angie Stapleton hold their long-stem Carnations while showing how exciting Graduation can really be. Graduation was the final act together as a group at East.

The combined chorus brought tears to people's eyes as they sang songs of leaving and moving on in life. "Letting Go" and "Another Bridge To Cross" were the selections performed.



Jason Armes, Jamie King, Tracy Jenkins, Kate Brown, and Michael Stapleton were among the fifty-three Seniors graduating. The time spent together throughout high school will never be forgotten.

The recipients of the Portsmouth City Schools \$500 scholarships were: Erica Brown, Josh Sherman, Aimee Forshey, Heather Odle, Michael Stapleton, Kate Brown, Tracy Jenkins, Jamie King, Johnathan Thacker, and Stacey Schisler.



Tina Cantrell and Erica Brown share a moment of happiness as they head towards the closing of commencement exercises. Tears of happiness and sadness were streaming on June 1, 1997.



Long time friends Matt Justice, Josh Rawlins, Chad Monroe, and Michael Stapleton gather together for one last picture at East High School. Friends are friends forever.

President of the Portsmouth City School Board, Jackie Enz, gave a motivating and reminiscing speech to the Class of 1997. "Best Wishes" were given from the school board members.



After the conclusion of the 84th Annual Commencement Exercises, the new Alumni of East High School mingle in the crowd to receive "Congratulations" from relatives, friends, and teachers.

The President of the Class of 1997 was Josh Sherman. Josh had the privilege of reading the names of the Graduates as they cross the stage to receive their "diploma's".



After the presentation of the Class of 1997 by Mr. Knapp, the Graduates "flip" their tassels as a sign that they have completed the district and state requirements to graduate.

"What do you mean, say good-bye?," asks Tristan Spinski as Josh Sherman approaches him and Heather Odle. Saying good-bye was a thing that was not heard by most the day of Graduation



# Senior Baby Pictures

Angie

The smile in those eyes puts a smile in our hearts. We love you and are so proud of the wonderful young woman you have become.

All our love,  
Mom and Dad



Josh

Dad and I could never find the words to let you know how really special you are to us nor how much we love you. You are a good man, strong, sure and sensitive. May God always be your strength and may you always know how much we love you.

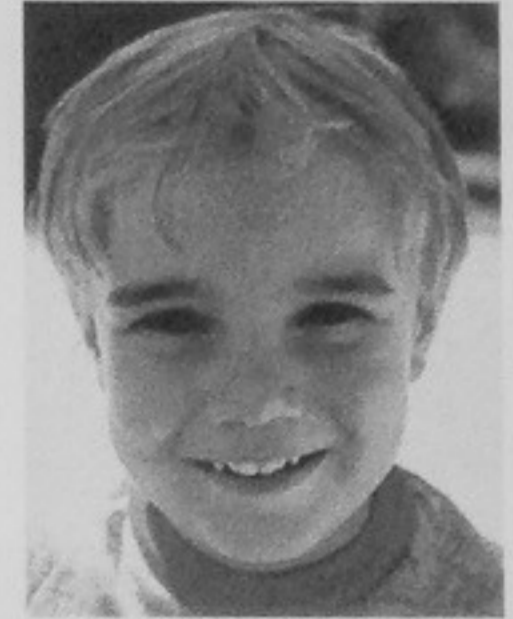
Mom & Dad



Bill

We want you to know that you have done an excellent job these past 12 years. Have fun in college and work hard.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Jeff, and Jimmy



Chad

We are very proud of you. Not many boys or girls your age have achieved what you have already. You own your own business, drive a new car, and know what you want out of life!! I know that if you really want to own lots of rentals, you will. We all love you!

Mom, Dad, Brad, Kevin, Kristin, & Erin



Stacey

That wonderful smile! We are so proud of you. You are such a blessing to us. We have enjoyed all of your accomplishments down through these school years. We know the future will only hold bigger and better things for you.

Good Luck, Moose!  
Dad, Mom, and Kelli



Brandy

From dance clothes to prom gowns, you have always made us proud. Always keep your sassy attitude. Good luck with the future. We love you!

Mom, Priscilla, Aunt Linda, & Mammaw Hazel



Congratulations Judy

Even though you still look the same, you are all grown up now. You have the knowledge and determination to go far in this life.

Good Luck- We all love you.  
Dad, Mom, and Beth



Priscilla

Even though you haven't been a part of this family forever, you have fancied your way into our hearts. Good luck with the future.

Love,  
Brenda, Brandy, Linda, & "Grandma Hazel"



Chad

The guy with the big smile, and a heart of gold. Young men like you are rare. Always be yourself, and you can accomplish anything. We are so proud of you.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, Kristi, and Lisa







Dustin

Though your school years have passed by so quickly; we will hold in our hearts forever the wonderful memories you have given us. We wish you love and happiness wherever life's path may lead. Always remember Luke 1:37, "For with God nothing shall be impossible."

We love you,  
Mom, Dad, and Deric



Aimee

We love your passion for life and music. Remember to enjoy life and always make time for "Rock and Roll." We are so very proud of you!!

Love,  
Dad, Mom, Josie, Adam Jr., and Megan



Somer

At such a young age you've always been the one I can count on. Big pressure, eh!

Love,  
Mom, your two Dads, and family

P.S. Thank you for giving me 17 precious years. Good luck in everything you do.



Josh

We are truly blessed to have a son like you. Looking at you then brings back so many sweet memories, but as we look at the young man you've become, it makes us feel very proud and thankful. We wish you the very best in life, and we love you! Remember to always to make God #1 in your life.

Love always,  
Mom, Dad, and Nicole



Nicky

Even as a little girl, only in diaper and slip, you were always on the go, so go for anything in life you want. You can do it. We are so proud of you, and we love you very much.

Love,  
Dad, Mom, and Chris



Congratulations Mindy!

I'm so very proud of how you've grown into a beautiful young lady. I know you've had to make some difficult decisions growing up, but they've always turned out for the best. It's a big world out there, and we all make mistakes, but I know deep down you will achieve in whatever goals you choose. And remember, no matter life brings, you will always be my daughter, and I will always love you with all my heart. Good Luck.

Love,  
Mom, James, and Tiffani



Amanda

We are very proud of your accomplishments. You have a compassionate heart and a caring nature. You are so beautiful to us. We asked that God's blessing be upon you always.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



Steve

Congratulations! You did it! We are very proud of you. Here you are as our little boy. Now you're grown up starting out life in this big world of your own. Have a great drive about you to succeed. I know you will make it out there, because you're strong and determined to have something in life. Don't let anyone tell you different. And we will always be there for you. Good luck in your future. May God watch out for you always.

Love, Mom, Dad, Terry, and all the family



Tracy

Your dad and I are so very proud of you. Good luck in everything you do in your life, and know that we will always be there for you. Time has gone by so quickly.

With all of our love,  
Mom, Dad, Mark, and Mandy



Chris

Well, you did it! I'm not surprised. We've been through a lot the past couple of years, but with God on our side, we made it through. We are very proud of you and how you've made such a good man, and also a good Daddy. We love you very much. Keep your head up, and you will do great.

Love always,  
Dad, Mom, Heather, Chase, and Christi

Michael

When you were born, we knew that you were a true blessing from God. We are very proud of you and all that you have accomplished. You have brought us great joy and happiness. Always remember to keep God first in your life and everything else will fall into place. May all your dreams be realized. God bless you always.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



Heather

Thank you for making parenting the happiest experience of our lives. We're so proud of your many accomplishments. God bless you with a future as bright as the years you have given us.

Love,  
Mom and Dad



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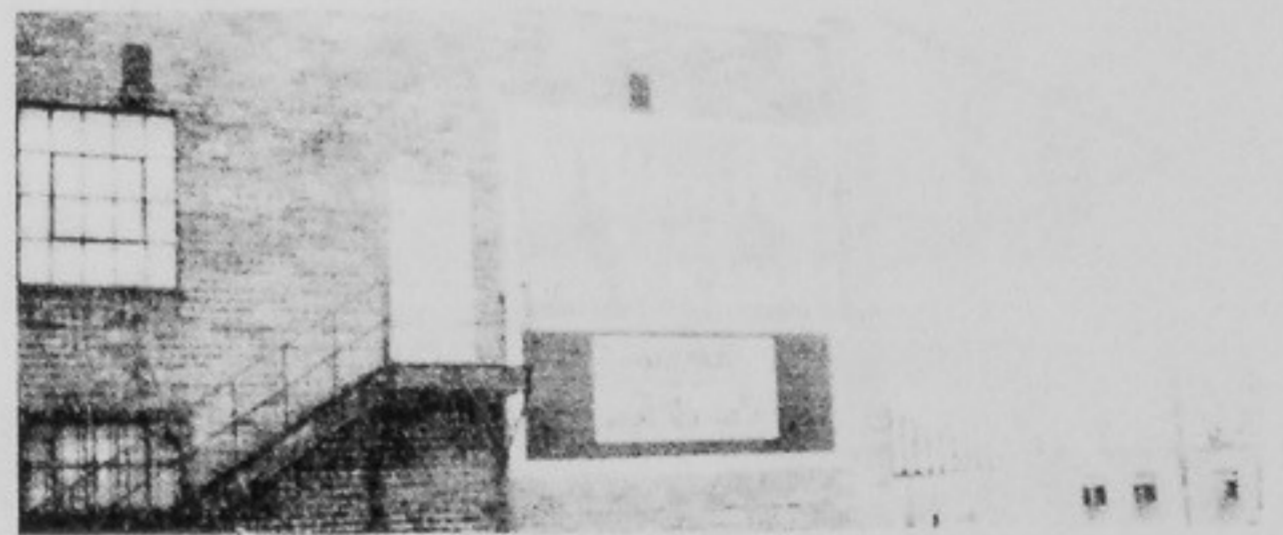
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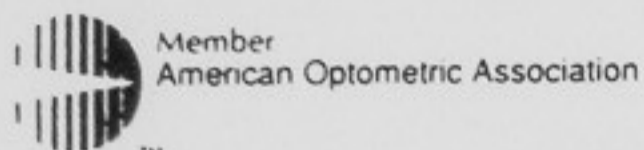
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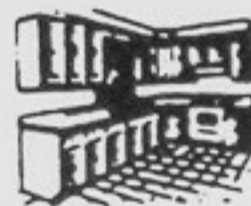
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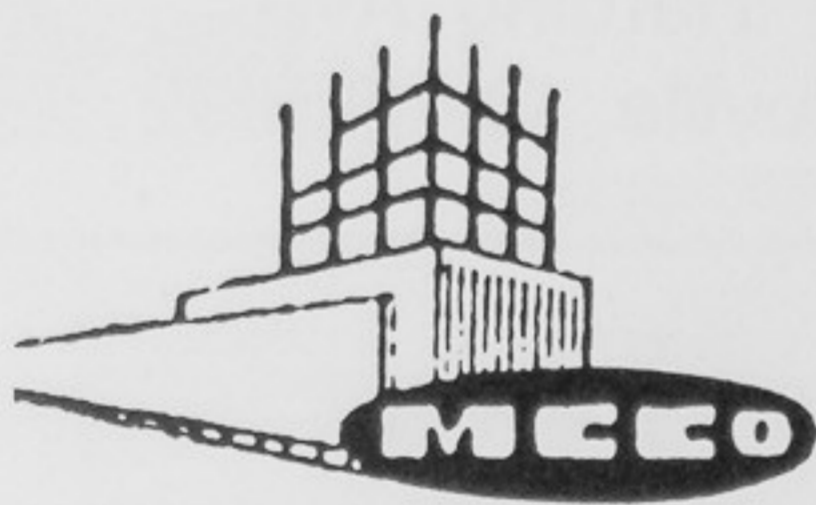
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Tennis 11,12; Honor Roll 11,12; Office Worker 10,11,12.

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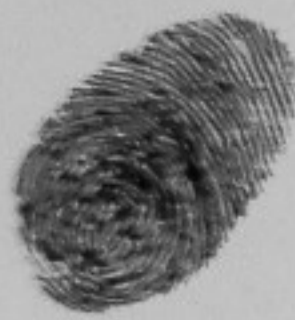
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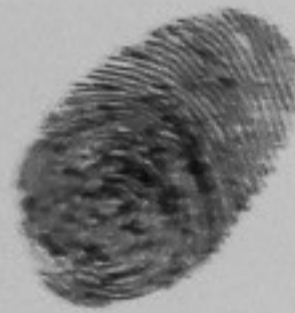
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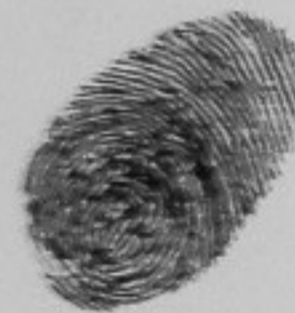
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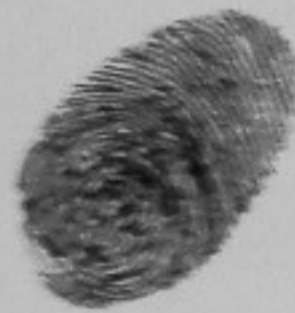
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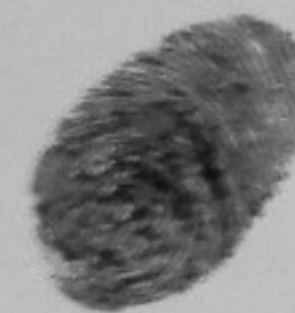
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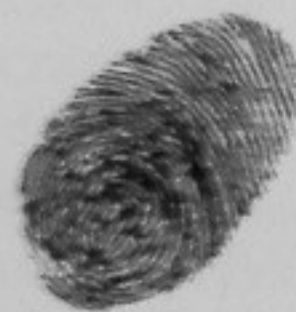
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In preparing to write this farewell to the Class of 1997, I remembered a song that I once sang in a church choir. It all came back to me when reminiscing about our four years of existence as students of Portsmouth East High School. It is now time to not say good-bye, but to say, "I'll see you later!"

The song was written by Michael W. Smith and Wayne Kirkpatrick, and the name of it is, "Pray For Me." The section that stands out the most is, "Here is where the road divides, here is where we realize, the sculpting of the Father's great design. Thru times you've been a friend to me, but time is now the enemy, I wish we didn't have to say good-bye! But I know the road He chose for me is not the road He chose for you. So, as we chase the dreams we're after, pray for me, and I'll pray for you; pray that we will keep the common ground . . . One day love will bring us back around. Our love will be the tie that binds us, to the time we leave behind us; memories will be our souvenirs."

The final step for the Senior Class of 1997, is promising to reunite together somewhere down the road that God has chosen for us. In the hearts of those younger than we, may the memory of the Class of 1997 live on forever, because, someday we'll look back and . . .

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