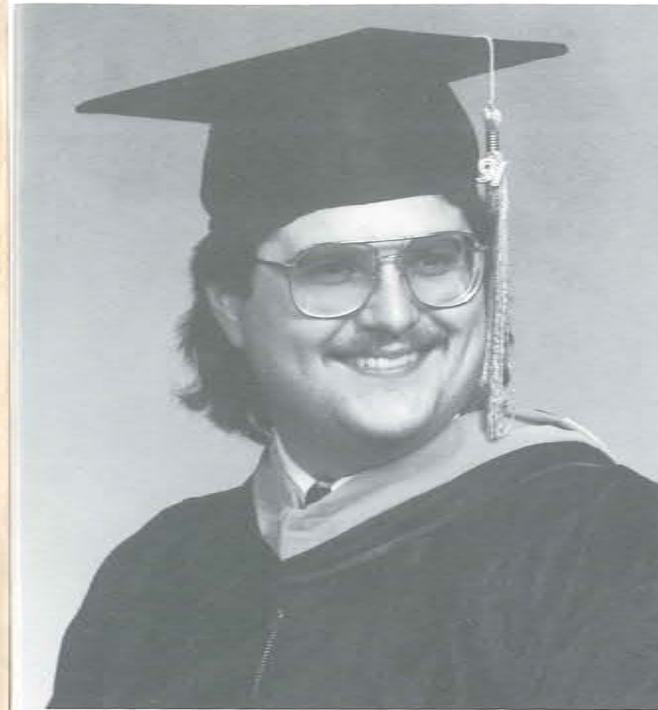


Annual Dedication

James Frederick Robertson IV



One can never doubt the commitment that teachers make when working at a boarding academy. Fletcher is no exception. It is for this reason we want to recognize James Robertson and dedicate this annual to him for his superior service to Fletcher Academy and its students.



Lee (age 3) and Catie (age 2) commonly use him as a jungle "Jim".



As the sponsor of the Student Association, he led by example on Nerd Day.



Mr. Robertson met his wife to be while at Sothern College. Sherry and Chip, as she calls him, were married on December 31, 1989.



Impressions...

Im-pres-sion \ im-'pre-shone \ n: The depiction of scene, emotion, or character by details intended to achieve a vividness or effectiveness more by evoking a subjective and sensory impressions than by recreating an objective reality.

Fletcher Academy has a subtle way of making many impressions on us through out our years here. Teachers, friends, and faculty all contribute to the events that we unforgettingly carry with us. Impressions are slowly revealed to us everyday; from everyone. These impressions leave distinc-

tive marks that are forever impressed upon our hearts and minds. They are remembrances that stay in our memories for all time. They are vivid pictures that are fondly recalled often.

Our hope is that our annual will provide a sufficient supply of meaningful memories. We have taken the different aspects of Fletcher life and associated them with their related impressions . In hopes that you will cherish these memories for years to come, we've tried to make every impression stand out in it's own, unique way.

-Christina Williams



Left: Kathie Diamond, Tim Ashlock, Natalie Moore, Sara Yingling, David Norwood, and Meredith McCutcheon at Mills River.

Below: Is this the annual or GQ? Hector Lajara impresses us with his stylish overcoat.



Above: Chris Simon samples a delicacy at the Pink Beds outing.

Right: Sam Shafer, Susan Chace, and Sara Holland enjoy each others company on a Sabbath afternoon.



Left: The best way to describe Rachel Tyson: Happy, Happy, Joy, Joy!



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Student Life



Still Pressing Onwards

Student Life is everything that fills up every minute of our days here at Fletcher Academy. It is what we do before, during, and after school. It is the two hour gymnastic practices, the last minute studying, the hours spent decorating for a banquet, and much more. It is the time spent on the field enduring the freezing weather to win an intramural soccer game. It is the frustration and tears; the laughter and the sorrow. It is the longing and the sad good-bye's. It is the friendships that we share and the moments we spend together. Student Life is defined by us, the students, and we are defined by Student Life.

Apple Festival

Monday morning came. The Freshman and Juniors hoped and prayed that they would be let out of classes to help with the float. We started out a few at a time, then everyone joined. Balloons were blown up. Candles were placed on the cake celebrating Hendersonville's 100th anniversary. Drums were loaded and instruments were tuned. At 11:30 a.m., we left for the parade route.

Upon arrival, we added the finishing touches on what we hoped would be an award winning float. The judging began. We would know the outcome after the parade had ended.

The next few hours passed slowly as we stood in the heat. Before we departed, we had prayer with the group of Christian Bikers that were ahead of us. Then we began.

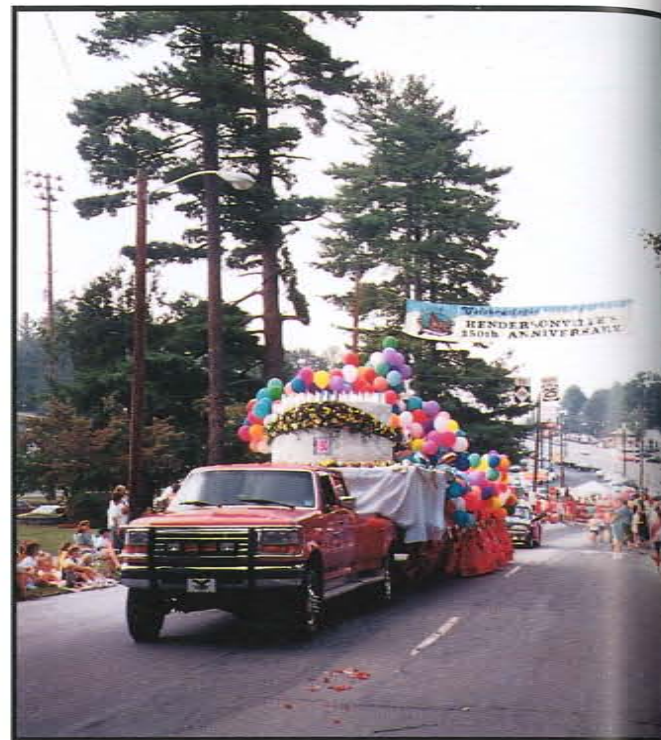
We set off with balloons floating easily away in the breeze. The music began and the people cheered. Along the parade route, the three jesters, Jason Smith, Stephen Young, and Roseanne Miles, passed multi-colored balloons out to the little kids. With a rockin' beat, the Steal Drum Band played Happy Birthday and Kokomo. Two saxophones and a trumpet added a unique tembre to the ensemble. Hector added his own spice by "breaking it down" for us on the congas. The parade ended with sunburns and unquenchable thirsts, but it was worth it. In the end, all of our hard work and practice payed off. We won first place in the float contest. Way to go Fletcher!

-Roseanne Miles



Above:
All Work • No Play Natalie Moore and Kathie Diamond add finishing touches to the float.

Right:
Mr. Fignolé receives the first place non-profit trophy on behalf of Fletcher Academy.

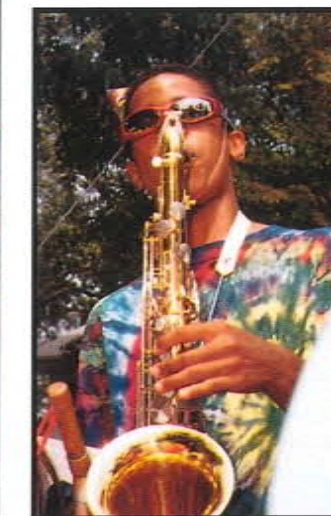


Below:
Our entrance to the Birthday Ball.



Left:
Yeah! We won!

Below:
Brandon LeBlanc plays the saxophone in the Steel Band.



Above:
Happy Birthday Hendersonville!



Above:
Hector, the Party Animal!!

Registration

Our new school year finally arrived! Registration, moving in, Handshake, new and old faces, first classes, new jobs, studying, worships, recreation, and meals are all flying by very quickly in this exciting first week of school. Brows are nit in deep concentration as heads are bent over textbooks. Pencils move rapidly and teachers give homework. Laughter fills the hallways and smiles are given freely. The warm fuzzy board is full and bells are ringing once again. The ad-building has come to life with student activity once more.

Old and new faces are all around. Timid Freshmen stand in line as each class member shakes hands with the Sophomores, Juniors, and the SENIORS. Celina Boling, one of the new Freshmen, stated, "I like all of the involvement and action." Barbara Freeland said, "The campus is nice and the teachers are great." Many people described their first impression of the school as "altogether a very friendly place." We hope so!

The new year is just beginning but already it has been filled with excitement and friendliness. Susan Chace, a Senior, described Fletcher as a wonderful place to be when the students focus on God.

Our goal at Fletcher Academy is to provide a happy, friendly, fun, educationally filled, and spiritual atmosphere. Sam Shafer said, "I see a good spiritual atmosphere here." Welcome to Fletcher Academy!

-Loree Henion



Above: Tim Ashlock shows off his great sense of fashion.

Below: Aren't they cute? Natalie Moore and Hector Lajara pose for the camera.

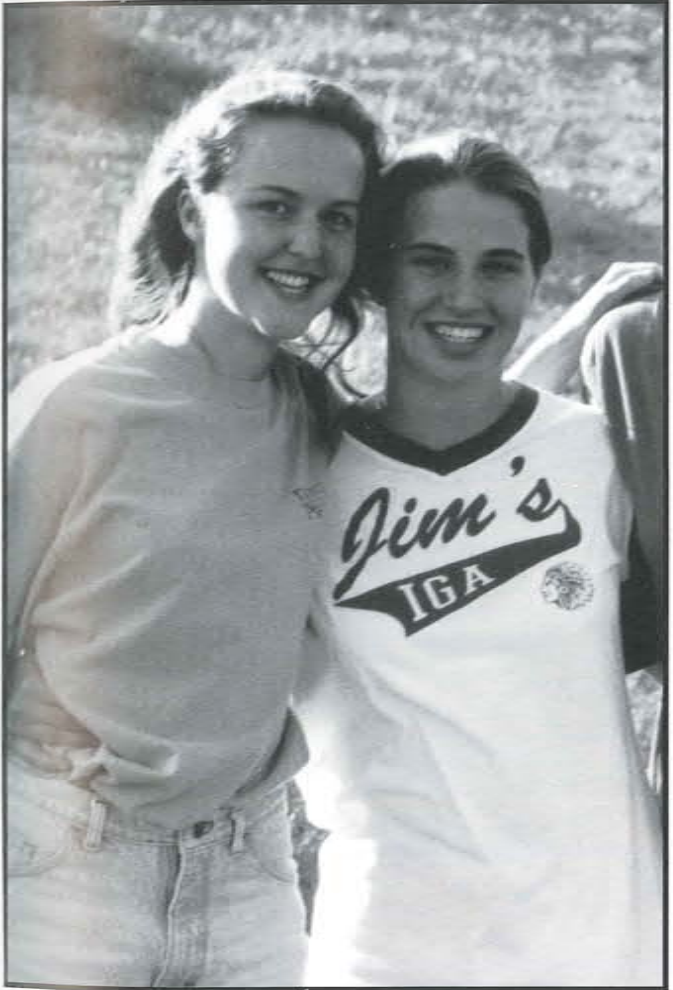


What happens on the first sunday of the of the school year? Well, it involves over 115 pairs of hands and eyes. All of them in tune with their main objective, greeting the new year with a smile. Handshake is a tried tradition which establishes the individual class' bond with each other , their student body, and their teachers.

-Jackie James

Left: Jennifer Cooper, a Sophomore, extends a warm welcome to the Freshmen.

Below: Mr. Robertson coordinates the events at the S.A. Handshake.



Above: Sara Yingling and Meredith McCutcheon renew acquaintances.



Left: Kathie and Elizabeth smile their welcome.



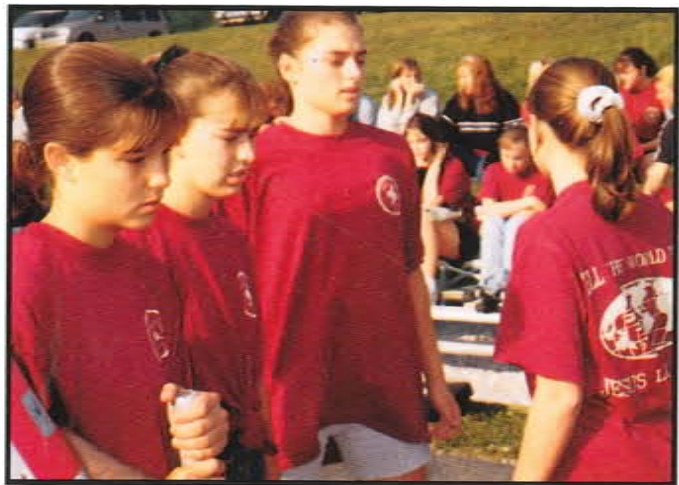
8 Not too fast! Misty Armstrong is propelled forward by the Sophomore class in the mattress race.

HANDSHAKE

Below:
Danny, Dori, Bralley, Jenny,
Steph, and Elsie try to Think!
Think! Think!



Top Right:
Miss George and Kathie Dia-
mond show off thier "FABU-
LOUS" Smiles!



Above:
Jamie, Jennifer, and Betty,
struggle for the answer...

Right:
On your mark, get set, go!

Far Right:
Susan takes a brake from Fall
Picnic activities.



Fall Picnic

Scoreboard

Guys' 5K

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| Danny Pendleton | 20.56 |
| Rob Stockford | 21.06 |
| Travis Merrill | 23.26 |

Girls' 5K

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| Lisa Haney | 24.20 |
| Roseanne Miles | 24.45 |
| Shelli Stevenson | 26.44 |

Girls' 50yd Dash

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|----------------|------|
| Betty Neascu | 6.86 |
| Jennifer Black | 7.08 |
| Sam Shafer | 7.21 |

Guys' 50yd Dash

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|-----------------|------|
| David Norwood | 6.37 |
| Tom Brunton | 6.39 |
| Nathan Sweigart | 6.41 |

Girls' 440 Dash

| | |
|------------------|---------|
| Roseanne Miles | 1.13.25 |
| Sara Holland | 1.15.74 |
| Shelli Stevenson | 1.16.00 |

Guys' 440 Dash

| | |
|-----------------|---------|
| Danny Pendleton | 1.01.27 |
| Nathan Sweigart | 1.01.49 |
| Tim Ashlock | 1.05 |

Girls' 100

| | |
|---------------------|-------|
| Betty Neascu | 14.03 |
| Meredith McCutcheon | 14.27 |
| Natalie Moore | 15.15 |

Guys' 100

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| David Norwood | 11.95 |
| David Albarelli | 12.05 |
| Nathan Sweigart | 12.25 |

Tug-o-War

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|------------|
| Seniors |
| Freshmen |
| Juniors |
| Sophomores |

Girls' 440

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| Juniors |
| Sophomores |
| Freshman |

Guys' 440

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| Seniors |
| Juniors |
| Sophomores |

Girls' Flagball

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|------------|
| Sophomores |
| Juniors |
| Freshmen |
| Seniors |

Guys' Flagball

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| Juniors |
| Sophomores |
| Freshmen |
| Seniors |

Worship

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| Juniors |
| Sophomores |
| Seniors |
| Freshmen |

Overall Points

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|------------|----------|
| Juniors | 2251.000 |
| Sophomores | 1690.323 |
| Seniors | 1613.889 |
| Freshmen | 1580.207 |

Girls' Mile

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|----------------|---------|
| Roseanne Miles | 6.46.04 |
| Lisa Haney | 6.46.12 |
| Jennifer Black | 7.30.03 |

Guys' Mile

| | |
|------------------|---------|
| Danny Pendleton | 5.55.40 |
| Robert Merz | 6.02.96 |
| Robert Stockford | 6.03.07 |

Girls' Shotput

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Natalie Moore | 27.10 |
| Jenny Maxwell | 25.9 |
| Elsie Merz | 24.7 |

Guys' Shotput

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Ricky Platt | 30.9 |
| Jesse Justus | 29.6 |
| Jesse McClung | 28.10 |

Girls' Football Throw

| | |
|----------------|------|
| Elsie Merz | 99.5 |
| Sam Shafer | 98.1 |
| Kathie Diamond | 82.9 |

Guys' Football Throw

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Ricky Platt | 175.6 |
| Jesse McClung | 145.1 |
| Tom Brunton | 138.1 |

Guys' High Jump

| | |
|-----------------|-----|
| Nathan Sweigart | 6.7 |
| Zach Danner | 6.5 |
| Max Mezetin | 6.1 |

Girls' High Jump

| | |
|------------------|-----|
| Betty Neascu | 4.2 |
| Kathie Diamond | 3.1 |
| Shelli Stevenson | 3.1 |

Right:
Chantel Sola serves lunch with a smile.

Below:
Justin Mobley diligently works the wash in the Laundry.

Bottom:
Loree Crago graciously offers her Sunday afternoon to the laundry.



Right:
Travis Merrill assists Mr. Crago in digging the water line for the new Activity Center.



Right:
Brandon Freck and Travis Merrill beautify the campus.

Below:
Things in mirrors are closer than they appear.

Middle:
Cody Sifers helps landscape the entrance to the Ad. Building.



Left:
John Hall shags the grass on the scag.

Right:
Sam Shafer demonstrates her record keeping skills as the English reader.

Work Program

Fletcher Academy has a long standing commitment to the work-study program. This program is more than just a way for students to help finance their education, it also instills valuable skills and experience. Students grow to appreciate the work and sacrifice that one makes to afford a quality christian education.

The work program teaches the students good work habits as well as people skills. Many of the jobs require one-on-one interaction with teachers and visitors from the community. Fletcher Park Inn, for example, allows the students to interact directly with the residents. These skills will be valuable assets to the students when they leave Fletcher.

Beyond the financial and social benefits, students enjoy getting out of the classroom. For a good part of a school day, students are able to work outside. This is true for both the sunny and, yes, rainy days. Even then, most of the students don't seem to mind. Those that do mind find themselves a warm and cozy job inside.

Students have a choice of several different industries on campus for employment. Among these choices are Grounds, Fletcher Park Inn, and the students favorite, Laundry. Many students find it convenient to work for teachers or for the administration. The dorms also provides alternatives for those who need a flexible work schedule.

The work program is an essential part of academy life. The skills learned will leave valuable and long lasting impressions.

-James Robertson

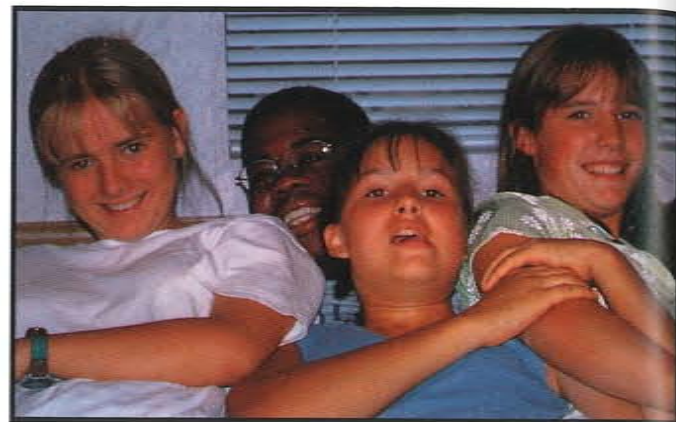


Leadership Conference

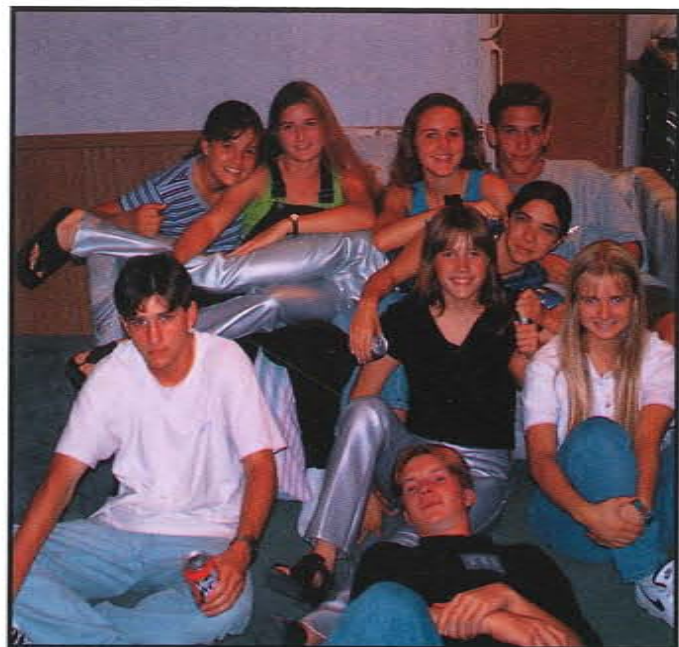
Right:
Cody sits in the sunshine.



Far Right:
Becky, Sam, and Jamie dog pile on Jackie.



Below:
Togetherness. Isn't it great!



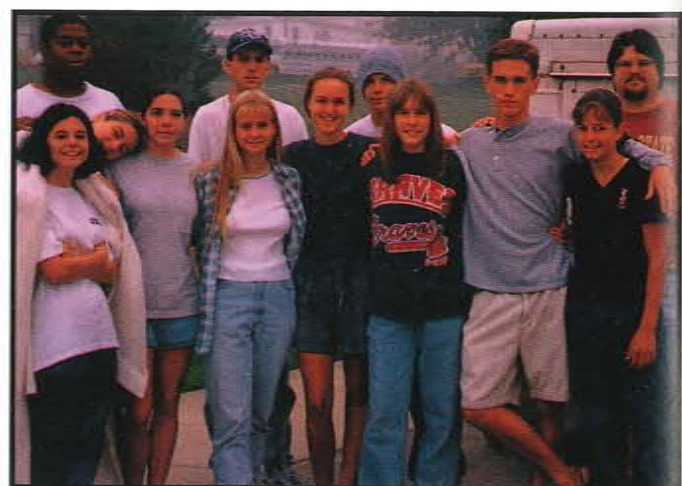
During the first homeleave of the school year, nine students went to the Southern Union Leadership Conference in Florida. We met at Camp Kulaqua with leaders from schools throughout the Southern Union to share ideas, learn new things, and spend time with God and each other. The time we spent at Camp Kulaqua was filled with new songs, interesting speakers, and fun. In the workshops we attended, we shared ideas and learned more about drama, annual, and leadership. We had a great time!

—Sara Yingling



Above:
Say, "Cheese".

Right:
The group heads to the Sunshine state.

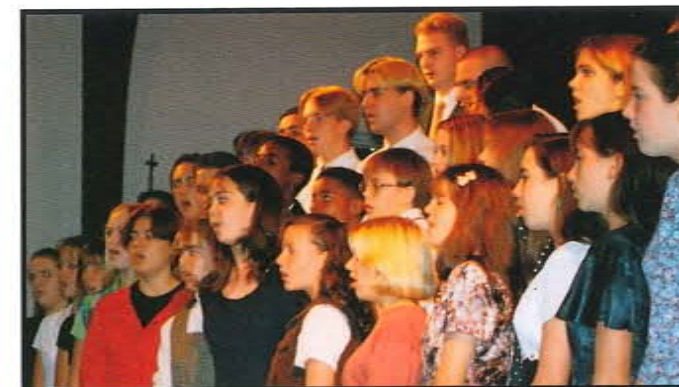


Alumni Weekend

Left:
The student All-Star team prepares to play the Alumni.



Below:
Fred Veltman speaks Sabbath morning.



Left:
Elsie Merz warms up her serve for the volleyball game.

Above:
The illustrious choir sings for the alumni.

Girls' Dorm

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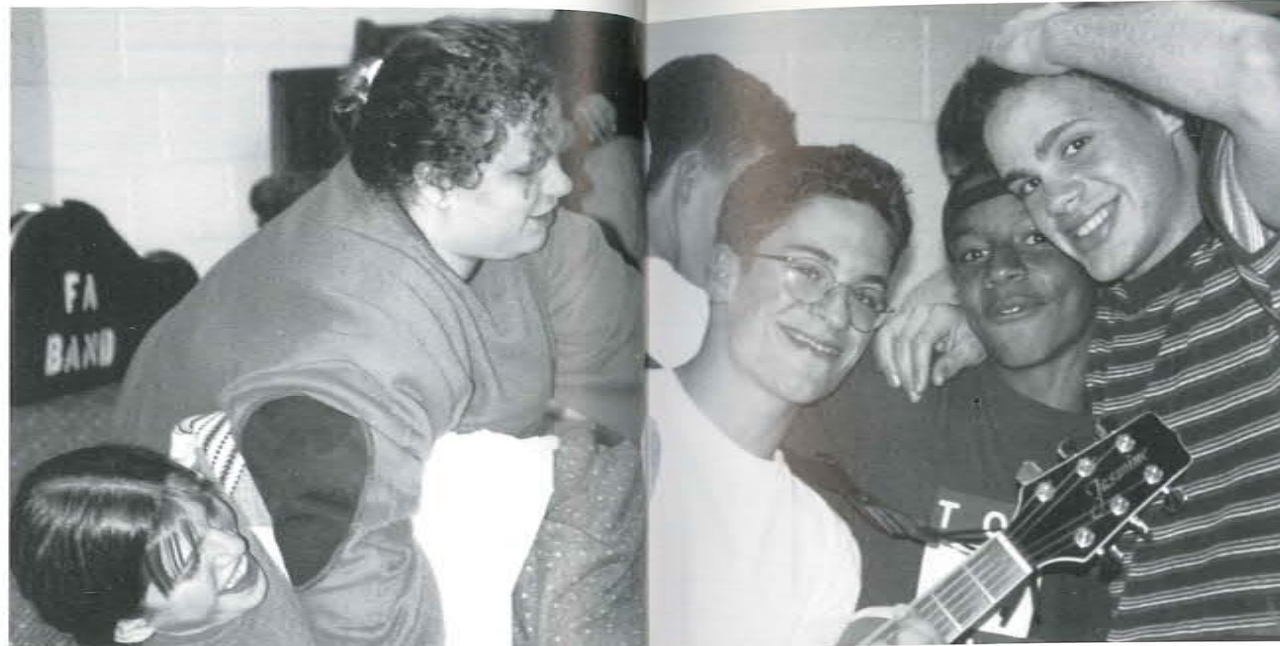
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Right:
Snug as a bug in a rug. Susan Chase naps on a Sabbath afternoon.



Far Right:
She's down for the count.



Far Left:
Rob, Jason and Hector show us how Denta-White worked for them.

Left:
Tyhe Sifers strikes a pose.



Above:
"How can I be of assistance?", Christina Williams asks.

Right:
Rachel, Loree and Elizabeth pose for a Kodak moment.



Above:
Hee! Hee! Misty Armstrong takes advantage of her calling card. (Notice the out-of-order sign.)



Above:
Mark lets us know what dorm students really do in their spare time.



Above:
Do you want to know what's for Supper tonight?

Guys' Dorm

Boys'/Girls' Club Social

Right:
'Round and 'round they go. Nichole Stockford and Christina Williams spin together.

Below:
Jennifer Cooper stares in amazement at the transformation of the cafeteria.



Above: Samantha, Rob, Jamie, and Stephen try on the Honda for size.
Right: Sara Holland proves that nerds really did exist in the 50's.



Left:
Meredith McCutcheon sports her poodle skirt.

Below:
Dannylynn Maxson enjoys the fun at the 50's party.



"Simply Fabulous!" would be the phrase to sum up the evenings festivities at the Girls' and Guys' Club social this year. The guys and dolls came out in droves to the "Fabulous Fifties" party that was held in the Cafeteria this year. There was a wide array of costumes represented and even a motorcycle to sit on while taking pictures with friends.

On the menu for the evening were some of the favorites of the fifties- such as burgers and fries with an ice cold milkshakes to top it off. These were prepared by the Deans with some help from their spouses.

The rest of the evening was spent being serenaded by different people on the Karoke machine. There were many favorites such as the "All Girls Club" officers group, Hector "LaBamba" Lajara, and others who showed off their talents. Other highlights of the evening included the Bubble Gum Blowing contest and the Hula Hoop contest, where Sara Yingling proved that she was the Hula Hoop queen.

—Julie George



Above:
Loree Henion and Roseanne Miles show off their 50's fashions.

This year's Harvest Party was at the Moore's barn. It was a real blast with the theme of Masquerade. Most everyone dressed for the occasion. We had a variety of costumes ranging from Mini-Mouse to Zoro from Jokers to sailors. There was lots to snack on as well as HOT chocolate with marshmallows. After the games and contests, everyone settled down and watched the evening's feature presentation, "The Love Bug". After the movie we all loaded up on two wagons for a hayride all the back to the Academy. Overall, the evening was a lot of fun.

—Ken Aramy



Left:
Rob Stockford dresses to look like his hero, ZORO!

Below:
Chantal, Nichole, and Stephen intently watch the games.



Harvest Party

Top:
Jamie thinks that she is cleverly disguised, but we all know the truth.

Middle:
We all gather inside the Moore's barn to await the festivities.

Right:
Jason, Cody, and Bralley contemplate who will be the first to bob for an apple.



Left:
Dori says, "It's a jungle in here."

Above:
A mime is a terrible thing to waste.

Christmas



Far Above:
Cathie Workman and Becky Hodges take a break from decorating at the Christmas Concert.



Above:
Betty and Tiffany (CGS) play their flutes during the Christmas concert at Fletcher Church Sabbath morning.

Right:
Ken, Brandon and Jesse serenade the crowd at Christmas Tree lighting.

This year the Christmas festivities were enjoyable for everyone. Friday night the Christmas Tree lighting was a blast. We drank hot chocolate and ate mini-Christmas trees. The trio (Ken, Jesse, and Brandon) played Christmas Carols on their trumpet and saxophones. Saturday night we went into the Ad building and told Santa what we wanted for Christmas. There were drinks and refreshments for everyone while we watched couples see how well they knew each other in the couples game. Ironically enough, the winners of the game were Jamie and Cody (who were not dating) who did not miss a point.

- Becky Todd



Left:
Mark convinces Santa that he's been a good boy this year.

Below:
Say, "Cheese!", Not a cheesy grin, Jesse.



Above:
Sara, Jamie, and Sam all hope that Santa will bring them what they asked for in spite of being bad.



Left:
Just James and his Candy-cane.



Left:
Ann beats out the rhythm on the Tenor Basses.

Festivities

Faculty Families

*Benfield
Shafer
Paster Jack
Robertson
Miss Julie
Workman*



Every year the students are handed a piece of paper and are asked to choose who they would like for their faculty parent. They are then assigned to their faculty based on the top choices. On holidays and special occasions the faculty parents do a little something special for their adopted children. In these pictures you



Faculty Families

*Bass
Smith
Willis
Fignolé
Youngberg
Yingling*



see the families gathering together at the Christmas Party to have their pictures taken with Santa Claus. Faculty families help make Fletcher feel more like home. To those of you who live in the dorms, this is especially true as you look for parental support.

—Sam Shafer



Faculty Families

Fashion Do's & Don'ts



Left:
Sara Holland is re-living the not-so-hip 80's.



Right:
Meredith McCutcheon—"Why yes, I am adorable."



Left:
Very GQ, Hector!



Left:
Rob Stockford, you're not Will Smith, but you do look good in black.

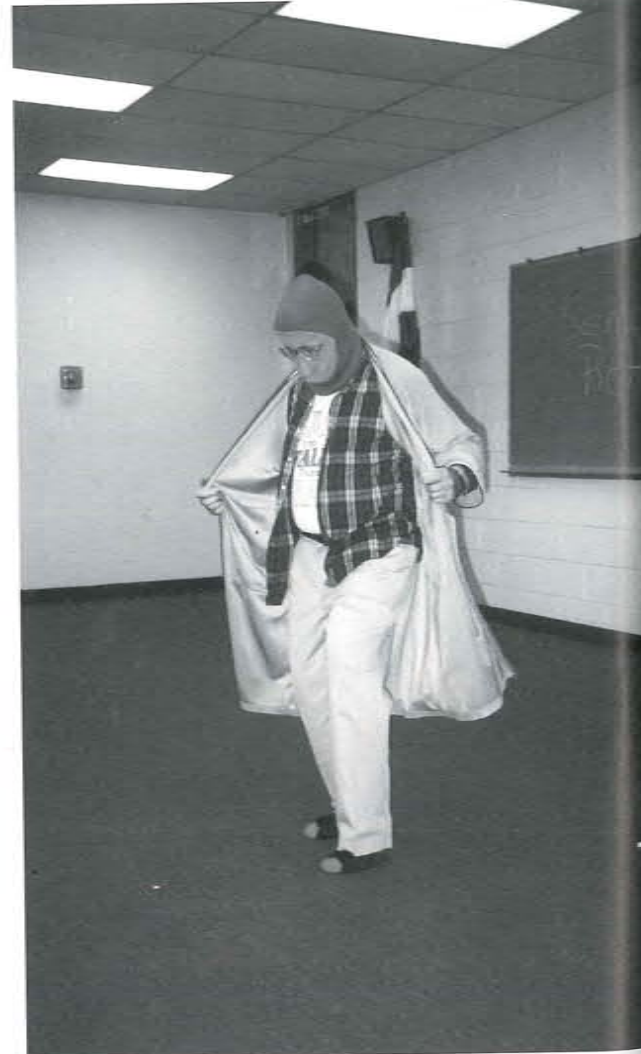
Below:
David Albarelli is looking good in his Tommy Hillfiger shirt.



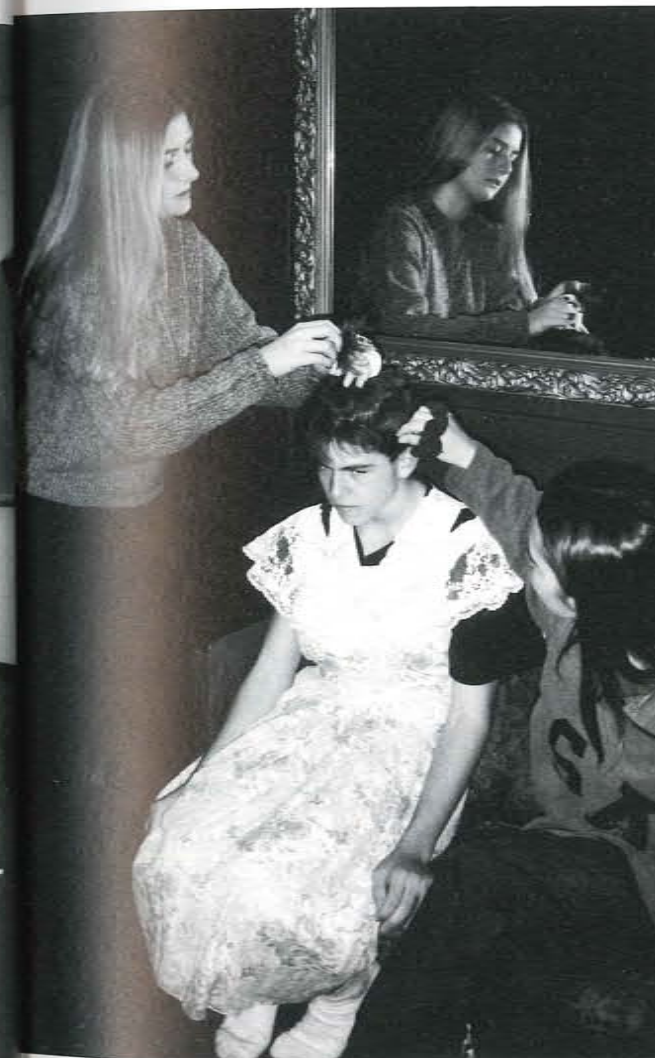
Above:
Stephanie Allen goes preppie this year.



Right:
Breanna Ashlock is stunned by her own beauty.



Right:
Mr. Smith has gone a little too far in trying to cover up his bald spot.



Above:
Kinue Bralley models what not to wear this year.

Left:
Tim, we don't do drag!

Striking a pose is not an uncommon activity among FA students this year. With the arrival of Ms. George on campus, fashion has been on the minds of the students. Being from California where fashion statements are an everyday occurrence, Ms. George has provided the FA campus with a list of fashion Do's and Don'ts that were modeled during an assembly for the students.

—Sam Shafer



Mr. Workman arrived on campus in the summer with his head full of creative ideas for the forward movement of Fletcher Academy. He is either on the go, on the phone, talking, or shooting pictures. Nevertheless if you need to speak with him about a problem, SOMEHOW he finds the time. Even with all of this, he continues to meet the needs of the administration. Mr. Workman, you're awesome and Fletcher Academy is fortunate to have a principal such as yourself.

—Elizabeth Talbert

Jackie James, campus Chaplain, was diagnosed this summer as a diabetic. Through lifestyle changes and prayer, "Pastor Jack" is coping with his new condition. He checks his blood sugar twice daily and he keeps track of his diet. He also has a daily regimen of insulin which requires an injection (i.e. big needle, ouch!). Jackie has plenty of support from faculty and students alike, and we wish him well.

—James Robertson

On Saturday, November 24, I went 4-wheeling at Deep Gap along with three friends. We were attempting to climb a very steep hill. As we approached the top, the jeep started to spin. I stopped and applied the brakes, but it kept sliding backwards. There was nothing I could do unless I could reach a flat spot half way down the hill. In the effort to control the slide I tipped the jeep up on two wheels. The jeep began to roll and I was thrown around inside. The next thing I remember is standing on the hill and looking down at my jeep at the bottom of the hill.



My sister watched as the jeep rolled at least five times. I am positive that my guardian angel pulled me out of the jeep and spared me and my friends from harm. This accident reminds me of God's plan for me. All four of us should have been hurt, yet all of us walked away unharmed.

—David Norwood

Current Events

The Inez Nestell Friendship Garden is the newest addition to the Administration building. Boys dean, Bill Bass, is overseeing this project. He asked me to begin the masonry work, footers and block work first then brick veneer. This is a great job for me, because I could walk out of my apartment, and be at work. Everyday I could talk to faculty and students as they passed by. One day Meredith asked me to bury her mouse that had died the night before. So I dropped it down into the block wall. She later asked me if I had buried the mouse, I told her it was now part of the Inez Garden time capsule. Lights and plants are to be placed in the garden, along with a large concrete slab and steps. This will make a great place for students to hang out and improve the looks of our campus. Many thanks to all who have provided the funds to make this project possible.



—Joe Shafer



Above:
Inez Nestell admires the new addition named in her honor.



Above:
Sandra Gooche as a freshman at Fletcher Academy.



Above:
While attending the academy, Sandra often relaxed in the Girl's dorm.

Sandra Gooche attended Fletcher Academy during her Freshman year in 1995-1996. She left the academy to attend T.C. Roberts, a local high school. There, she was successful and active in both academics and extra-curricular activities.

December 12th, Sandra was driving home when a truck slammed into her car. The accident left her in critical condition at Mission Hospital. The students and staff of Fletcher Academy hold Sandra and her family up in their prayers daily.

“Superlatives”

Worst Driver
Biggest Blusher
Biggest Chatterbox
Most Tardies
Most Gullible
Biggest Heartbreaker
Best Personality
Funniest
Quietest
Loudest
Most Sophisticated
Most Athletic
Most Likely to Succeed
Best Smile
Best Eyes
Never Does Homework
Best All Around
Class Clown
Cutest Little Freshmen
Friendliest
Most Outgoing
Biggest Flirt
Most Involved
Most Witty
Most Hair Styles
Cutest Couple

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|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| David Albarelli | Stephanie Allen |
| Ricci Boulanger | Loree Henion |
| Ryan Jones | Meredith McCutcheon |
| Howie Hover | Mandi Prather |
| Paul Wakefield | Lori Crago |
| Tim Ashlock | Breanna Ashlock |
| David Norwood | Shelli Stevenson |
| Jason Smith | Jenny Maxwell |
| George Wagner | Barbara Freeland |
| Hector Lajara | Jenny Maxwell |
| David Norwood | Loree Henion |
| Danny P./Nathan S. | Betty Neacsu |
| James Boyd | Sara Yingling |
| David Norwood | Shelli Stevenson |
| Rob Stockford | Natalie Moore |
| Joe Allman | Mandi Prather |
| David Norwood | Stephanie Allen |
| Jason Smith | Jenny Maxwell |
| Matt West | Lisa H./Sam S. |
| Jason Smith | Shelli S./Sam S. |
| Hector Lajara | Sam Shafer |
| Hector L./Tim A. | Chantal Sola |
| Nathan Sweigart | Sam Shafer |
| Ricci Boulanger | Mandi Prather |
| Hector Lajara | Chantal S./Kinue B. |
| David Albarelli & Sara Holland | |

Seniors



Our Senior Us

Impressions: Characteristics or distinctive marks.

Being a Senior: So exhilarating, yet so frightening. Having Seniority, being the top, but not for long. This years Seniors, well were quite different, distinctive, you might say. We feel, though, that we have left our “impressions” on Fletcher and that we will not anytime soon be forgotten. On these pages are our laughter, smiles, frustrations and friendships. They will forever be within our reach, for we will simply look to the bookshelf where this annual rests.

—Christina Williams

Senior Presentation

Right:
Here's Christina!

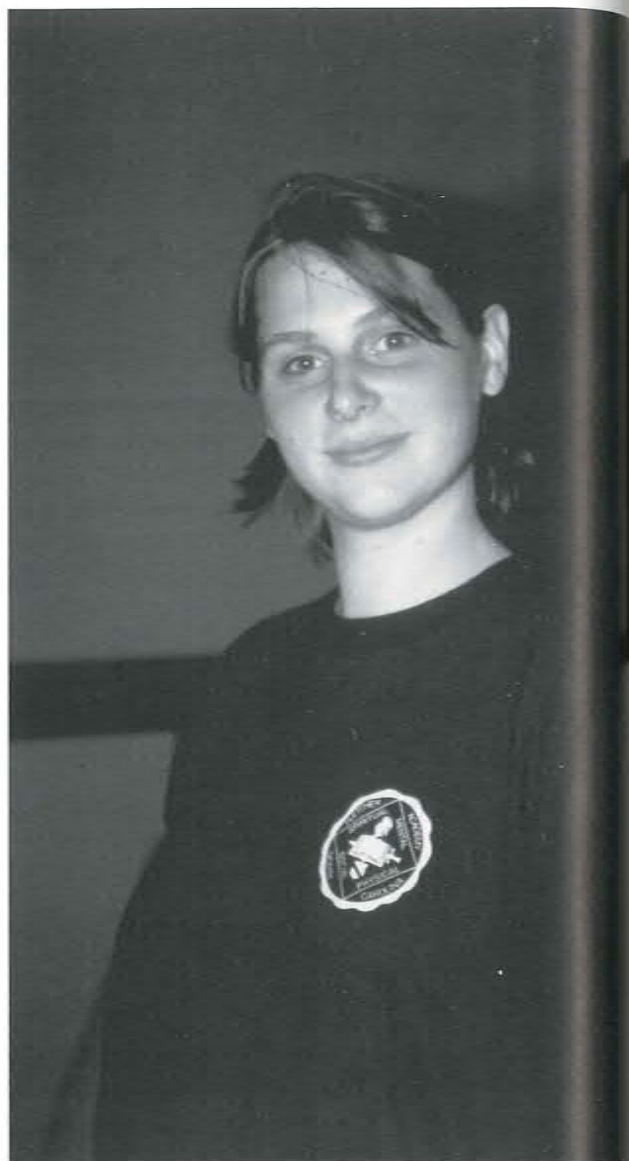


Right:
Vadim quips, "Two for me, none for you!"



Above:
Ken learns to brush his teeth - oddly enough.

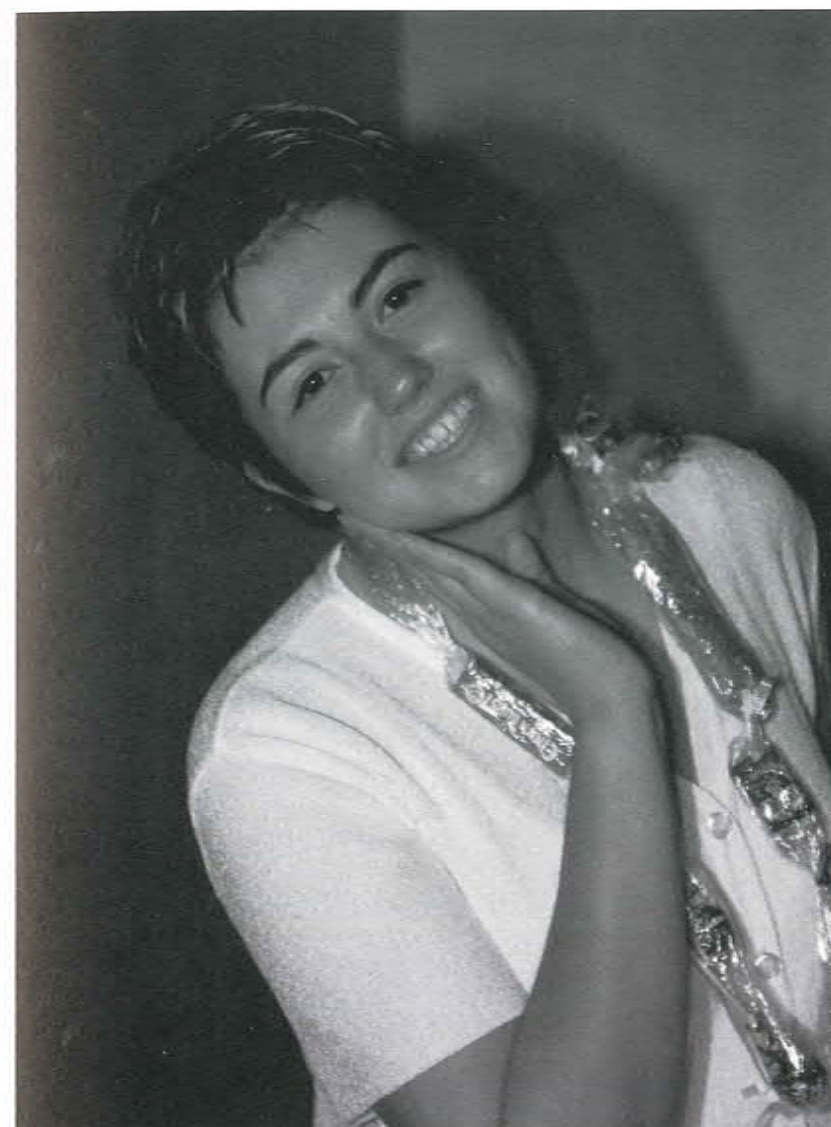
Right:
"Wait 'til Dori's date sees her now!"



What's the first thing that comes to your mind when you hear the words Senior Presentation? To some it may seem like a formal event, but the class of '98 proved it doesn't have to be. Everything from getting shaving cream and lipstick everywhere to a slide show and a respective reading, shows that a class can be both serious and be itself at the same time.

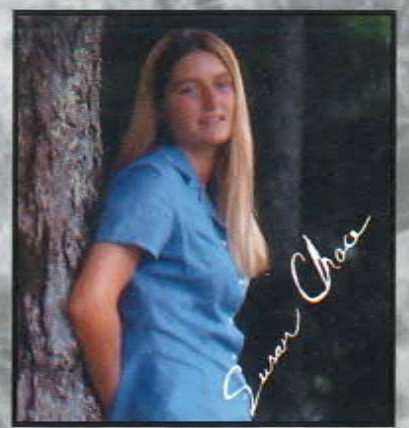
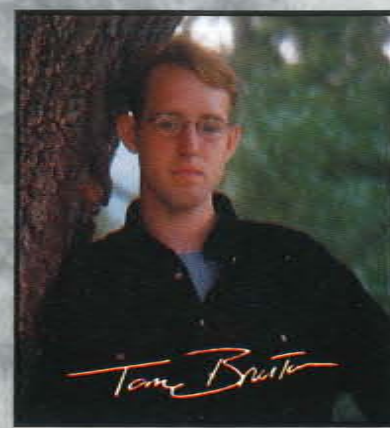
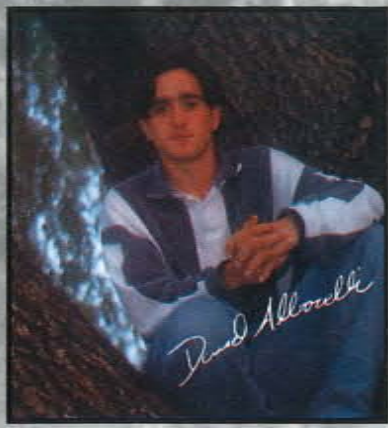
"Immensely Entertaining!!"
— Sam Shafer '00

"If those pictures of Workman hadn't been lost..."
— Ryan Jones '98



Above:
Vadim poses for his fans.

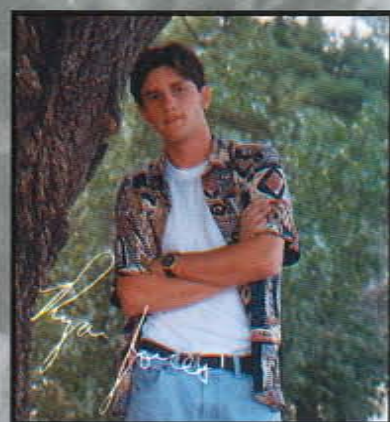
Left:
"Hello, my name is Kinue Bralley. I'm 18, and interested in money."



CLASS OF



1998





Dorian trusting Christina to lead the way.



Ryan faithfully follows Ken on the "Trust Walk."



Our "Claustrophobic Supper"



Tom and Sherry getting tangled in "All tied up."



Ditto for Steph and Bralley, only a little more creative.



The "Intermediate Trust Fall"



The final level of "The Trust Fall" demonstration by Sara.



We all sit down to share our feelings.



The "Beginners Trust Fall."



Jenny being lifted over "The Wall."



Christina carefully being sent over "The Electric Fence."

-C.W.



"The Mule Train."



Trying to get organized on "The Log."



Wow! We're all together, and WHAT is Ryan doing?



Tom cleans up after our survival.

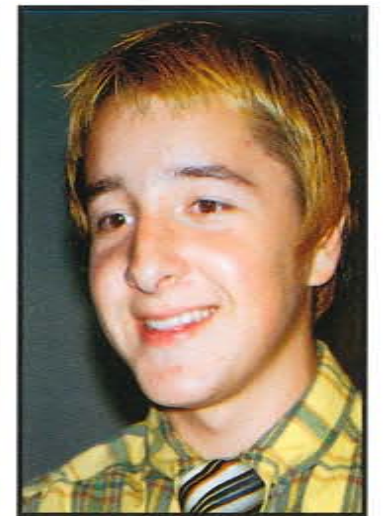
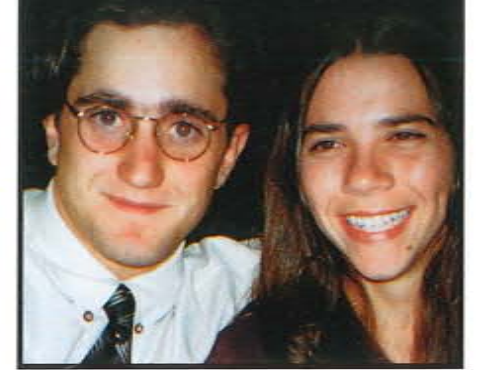


Loading up, and more than ready to go home.

Senior

Senior Survival - four days full of "action-packed" adventure! We spent our wilderness trip getting out of puzzles, learning to trust our fellow seniors and being treated to Mr. Gatti's. Mr. Bass, Mr. Workman, Mrs. Shafer and Mrs. Benfield all accompanied our definitely interesting rendezvous. It was truly an event not to be forgotten, and believe it or not, we survived.

Survival



Times We'd Like To Forget

There are times in all of our lives that we wish people would let us forget. For us seniors, there have been more than just one or two. These pictures are but a few examples.

"I can't remember what I was supposed to forget."
—Christina Williams



Right:
Mandi explains Marvin to us.

Far Right:
Someone got a little wild with Sara's new hairdo.

Below:
Jenny - bound and determined!



Above right:
Ryan lifts our heavy benches for Senior Survival

Right:
Ken gets foamed at Senior Presentation.



Right:
Dori steps into the ice cold water of Mills River. Nice Face!



SENOIRS
SHOW US
WHAT
YOU'VE
GOT !





David Albarelli
Junior
Never Does Homework

E

Tom Brunton
Pokey
Most Witty



Vadim Ivanov
Vah - Deem
Most Retro

S

Danny Pendleton
Doughboy
Biggest Flirt



Stephanie Allen
Steph
Most Outgoing

N

Susan Chase
Space & Sara
Quietist



Ryan Jones
Horsefly
Best Imagination

N

Mandi Prather
Chickenhead
Most Tardies



Ken Arany
Minnow
Most Likely to Succeed

J

Sherry Crago
Gumby
Most Persistent



Jenny Maxwell
Milkshake
Class Clown

J

Christina Williams
Weazel
Best Listener



Kinue Bralley
Snob
Most Gullible

R

Sara Holland
Susan
Best All Around



Elsie Merz
LC
Loudest

R

Dorian Young
Dorito
Biggest Chatterbox



TWELVE YEAR SENIORS

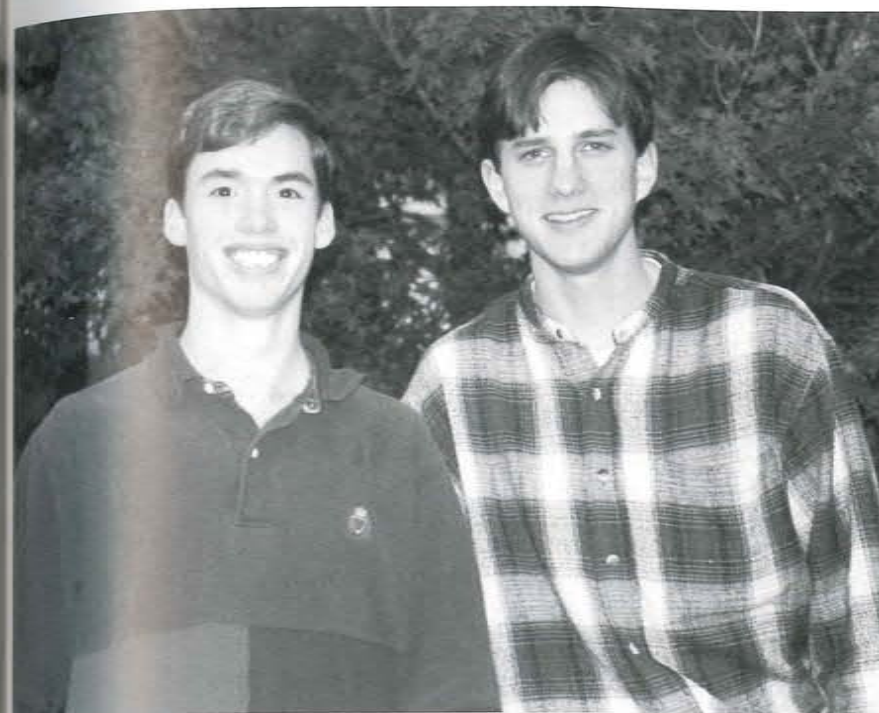
The Seniors reflect upon what they will miss the most.



I will miss Mr. Shrinky, sneaking out of the dorm early in the a.m., and being original with my friends. Oh, and making sure that everybody doesn't deserve the very best.



I will miss the crazy freshmen we were. As I look to the future I reflect on what I have grown to learn here. I realize my present actions will shape my future. Good-bye Fletcher and thanks for the memories



Twelve Year Seniors:

Ryan Jones
Danny Pendleton

Four Year Seniors:

Dori Young
David Albarelli
Sherry Crago
Ryan Jones
Danny Pendleton

FOUR YEAR SENIORS



I'll miss the mountains, trees, and fresh air. I'll miss all my friends, Gatlinburg, my teachers, deans, and of course, my boss, Mr. Robertson. But most of all, the laughter of my youth.



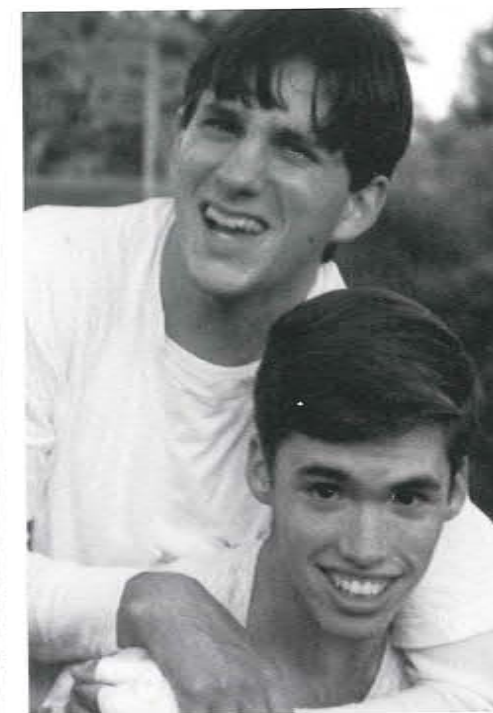
I will miss people laughing, giving all my teachers GREAT excuses of why I'm late, the memories of being a crazy, "high-school student", and most of all, the love everyone had to give.



I miss Fletcher already- the smiles and friendship, all the happy memories. I will forever cherish my time here and will certainly wish I was still here later on when I'm rich and famous.



What I will miss most is all of the times my friends were there for me. I will also miss going to Gatlinburg and the memories of friends. These happy times will always be in my heart.





Sara Yolanda Holland
President
1 year

S

Daniel Lloyd Pendleton
Parlemantarian
12 years

D



David Theodore Albarelli
6 years

D

Elsie May Merz
2 years

E



Sherry Renee Crago
Vice President
10 years

N

Jenny Marie Maxwell
Pastor
5 years

J



Kendall Bruce Arany
11 years

N

Amanda Rose Prather
2 years

A



Stephanie Brooke Allen
Secretary
3 years

O

Ryan Bruce Jones
S.A. Representative
12 years

R



Kinue Christina Bralley
2 years

O

Christina Michelle Williams
3 years

C



Susan Renee Chace
Treasurer
1 year

R

Vadim V. Ivanov
S.A. Representative
1 year

V



Sheldon Thomas Brunton
2 years

R

Dorian Renee Young
5 years

D



Long Ago & Far Away

A look at the Seniors now and then.

Right:

Your listening ear, terrorizing the natives, the long talks, El Chapala's. Please change my math grade.



Jennay:

Walking in the cold, Boston trip, being late for marching practice, and the Bronco rides.

Below:

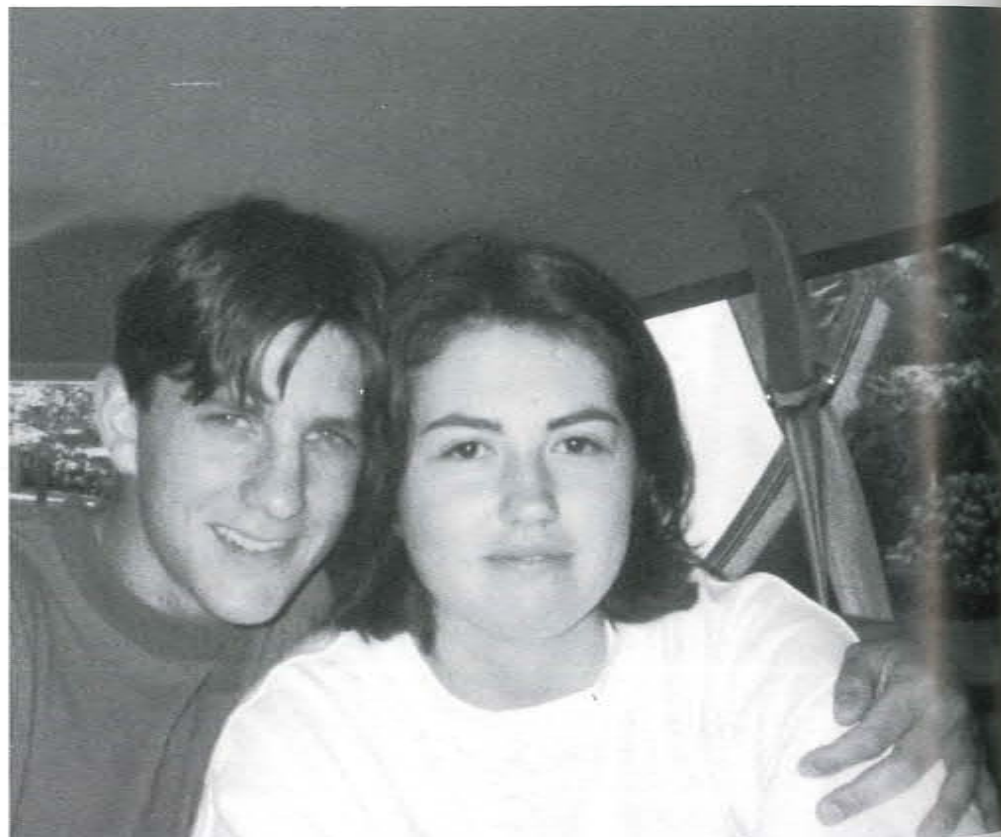
The hair cuts, your confusing Chemistry questions. Always striving for a better grade.



Right:

Nintendo, Simpsons, corny jokes, your wild stories, your gory drawings.

Idaho, hair styles, all eyes on me, Vietnam on the way to laundry, Disney World, the weekends, and Batman! (caw, caw, caw)



Left:

Your hugs, Halloween '96, Kyli, You were the only person that LIKED being put on social.

Below:

Chatting, Chatting, Chatting. The Freezer, Picking up trash on Howard Gap. Drivers Ed, (with or without Sudafed.)



Tom:

Those infamous ketchup packets in New York City. Your sense of humor and come backs.

Below:

The many hours talking at FPI, Crazy Driving, seatbelt ticket, Marvin, and in general, Guys.



Sara,

We will miss the notes in Algebra II class, the NON-STOP laughter, the whimsical jokes, the nicknames, and your overall charming personality.



Ken, (a.k.a. Tim)

We remember spraying ammonia in your eye, BK, Mandi trying to shave you, and English class. We understand the meaning now.



David,

We remember kicking you under the table at the valentines banquet, you snoring during prayer, getting your hand caught in the mangler, and seeing you learn to snowboard.



Steph,

We will always remember your Domino's shirt, Antman, your funny sayings, your charismatic smile, and your outfits from our Sophomore year.



David Albarelli: Tim A: "You're a great friend. Thanx for all the good times. Get in trouble for me next year." Steve Y: A great senior year, my ability to base a three high. Betty A: someone to annoy you as much as Tim and I did. Cody S: a life outside the dorm with many girls. Betty A: Another great year with Tim. Take care of Shelli for me. Jackie J: "Thanx for all the support through school. I will never forget all the good times." All the Faculty: someone to cause as much trouble as I did. Mrs. Benfield: someone to give you more accident forms than I did. Shelli S: "I will miss you very much. Thanx for making my year great. I will you anything you want (including me), you deserve it." Chantal S: "Thanx for all the great times. Your a wonderful friend." Breanna A., Amy C: "Thanx for all the help in Alg I." Everyone I forgot: Sorry but get over it. Joseph F: my ability to raise h.e. double hockey sticks in school.

Stephanie Allen: Sam S: my awesome driving abilities with a new Honda Prelude. "Thanx for all the love! Miss me!" David N: the perfect woman in a new jeep. Jamie R: a good man. Kathie D., Shelli S., Misty A., Ashley S: "Thanx for all the great memories. I wish you the best always. Have a great year next year." The Shafers: a new senior to take over your house and eat your food. Class of '99: a great senior year.

Ken Arany Julie George: a new BK boy. Becky Todd: darkrooms and red lights. Tim Mercer: the Press computers and the joy of music.

Kinue Bralley: Sam S: my glow-in-the-dark elmo night shirt. YoHonda: not concrete, quaking plastic. Susy Q: an enlarged portrait of your ceiling.

Tom Brunton: Everyone: "Love your Mexicans & live long." Sherry C: lots of fun in life, "I love you!" Ryan J: Jackie James. David A: a woman care of us seniors. Some day I'll get you a really good fish! :-)" Sam S: my brains to help you through to your senior year, "You have a long road ahead of you." Meredith M: "Never forget all our pranks...and the corn flakes! it was fun." J. Manis: all the candy in the world, "Peace to my hanky!" Class of '99: "I challenge you to follow in God's footsteps."

Sherry Crago: Rachael T: a new found love for Anatomy & Physiology, good luck at FA. Love ya! Jeremy M: The fox kicks 'till six so may you always have a place to go. Tom B: The greatest friendship you'll ever know, the ability to realize you're loved, "Don't let your fears stand in the way of your goals.", my good luck. Myself: a forest green Grand AM, 4 yrs. of debt to pay off the ability to go on through hard times and to come out on the side of God. Ryan J: my ability to mow straight lines and lift large obstacles like mowers without getting an a hernia ha, ha!

Sara Holland: Stephen Y. & Rob S: a class as "fun" as Physical Science and my incredibly large----! "Have a happy Senior year. I will really miss you guys. Take care and keep in touch with me!" Miss George: a reader as fabulous as me; a great '98-'99 school year, I'll miss you! Jamie R: another work partner that you won't have as much fun with. "Thanks for your friendship and all the times that we sat around laughing and gossiping. I'll miss you!" Vadim I. "I hope you have a great future; I just wanted you to know how much I admired Kilroy-he's the best!" Sara Y: another great time at leadership conference, I had a great time with you guys! Hector L: a great senior year, I'll miss you! Sam S: my bulging muscles, "I hope the rest of your high school are happy, love ya!"

Vadim Ivanov: "We learn in the retreating how vast an one, was recently among us a perished sun endears in the departure now doubly more than all the golden presence it was before!"--E. Dickenson. "And if a man lived in obscurity making his friends in that obscurity, obscurity is uninteresting."--Y. Yevtushenko.

Ryan Jones: Steph A: "MEDIO!" Doughboy: the possessed rat, my James Hetfield vocals. Jackie J: "You've got water running down your back." Miss G: one more drawing. Tim A: my gutiar and a Hetfield scream. Madam Nip: one more trash bag. Jesse J: "Let our secret be known!" Kinue B: shag carpet. Sherry C: "Or, Nor, thanx for listening to me." Jenny M: C-4. Tina: one more laugh. 2 Short: all the pictures of my alien abduction. John H. (Pen...Thumb): a tractor of your own. Ironman: a practical joke and a Black Sabbath CD. David A: "I just put your name on so you wouldn't feel left out!" Pops (James R.): "Thanx for listening to all my theories." Hubert B: "Be careful who you wack on." Mandi P: someone else to make fun of you. Tom B: my fan club. Vadim I: a great Trojan warrior. Hector L: my pedal. Becky T: my job as editor.

Jenny Maxwell: Joseph F: all the profits. Sam S: my milkshake. Elijah P: my humor. Chantal S: Adam (he's all yours). Shelly S: my awesome gym skills. Winafred: (my son who I love) my school. Hector L: "Bia, Shia, C-4! I will always love my soul brother!" David N: my flirting skills. Ricci B: fries with that shake.

Elsie Merz: Robert M: "Have 3 more wonderful years at F.A. stay out of trouble I love you!" Becky T: "Have a great senior year be good" Mr. Robertson: hair dye for all the grey hairs the class of '98 has caused you. All my teachers: "Thanx for putting up with me, be good." Mrs. Shafer: other girl to harass about their rooms." someone else to ask for movies. Sam S: a great gym base, 1st place in the football throw. Jackie: someone else as wonderful as me. Mr. Shafer: someone else to argue with. Ms. Ashlock: another fabulous morning worker, J/K. Class '98: "Good luck college."

Danny Pendleton: Ryan J. (horsefly): the possessed rat, a kelly guitar and the ability to master Metallica. Tim A: my skills in basketball, the seniority to rule the school. David A: the friendship of a lifetime. Ken A: "I will always be faster on my mountain bike. Best of luck in the future." Amy C: "Males are always right. Best of luck in the future." Robert M: my seniority in the bakery. All students @ F.A.: "Your high school years are the best years of your life, enjoy them."

Mandi Prather: Meredith M: someone else to share the awesome accent with. David N: someone else to scare with the jeep rides, redneck rap music. Chantal S: someone else to write letters to in Alg. II. Sam S: my flirting skills & sense of humor. Tim A: my "player" skills. (make me proud). Rob S: my favorite "little freshmen" Hector L: my herb garden. Jamie R: a lot of fine guys next year. Elijah Postell: lifetime supply of "Cool Water." II Short: all my dishes at the café.

Christina Williams: Piglet: many more enjoyable backseat Sat. night rides to Acropolis. Dannylynn M: another R.A. as patient as I, someone to borrow clothes from. Dizzy: late summer nights, someone else to drive you home, a great senior year, and a brain. Betty N: someone to talk in Span. II class. Sam S: your goddess diploma and my place as head goddess at F.A. "I'll miss you." Jackie: my heart full of undying love. Slavemaster: 1/2 dozen rumballs and a worker at least 1/2 as good as I. Mr. Shafer: "Done yet?" Shafer lady: someone to stay up with until 2 am. many more happy years deaning and all the happiness in the world. "I love you, God bless." The Fabulous Julie George: a new neighbor someone else to understand your hidden sarcasm, someone else to cook for. "Love ya! and Miss ya!" Ryan J: super powers, "Al + Fe2O3 -> ?" Steven Y.: The back seat of a Ford Taurus with a certain girl.

Dorian Young: Betty A. (Pooh): someone to talk to about life's little problems, as many great years at F. A. as I have had. Sam S. (Owl): someone else to bug and to worship you, many great years at F.A. as I have. Shelli S. (Roo): someone as wise and understanding as me, a talkative co-worker and another person to shop with, someone else to give advice to, "I'll miss you." Jamie R. (Piglet): more nights out on the town, to see Tom Cruise. Ricci B.: someone else to pick on you and to make faces at. Amy C. (Froggie): another spot as good as me, someone to complain to.

Joseph F.: another substitute teacher to give a hard time. Tim A.: someone to talk to till 2 a.m., more trips to the lake, and someone to flirt with. Hector L.: a great senior year (a year late). David N.: someone else to help harass Shelli. Cody S.: my smile penny, a great senior year. Stephen Y.: Great Senior year, not being called Dori's little brother, the only Young. FPI Workers: as much fun as I have working there, stay away from the cooler. Faculty: a class as different as ours.

Religion



Imperator Supreme

Impressions: A communication of a mold, trait, or character by an external force or influence.

The expression of our love for Christ is too often left to a once a week routine. Where faith and feeling are played against each other. However there are those moments when a combination of an open heart to God's will and the willingness to be used by Him, make simple moments extraordinary.

-Jackie James



Above:
Victor Maddux speaks at Week of Prayer.



Above:
Bible Conference at Nosoca has a record number of Fletcher students attend.



Right:
Pastor Jack leads out during the Agape Feast.



Left:
Shane Teague has worship for the Boys' Dorm.

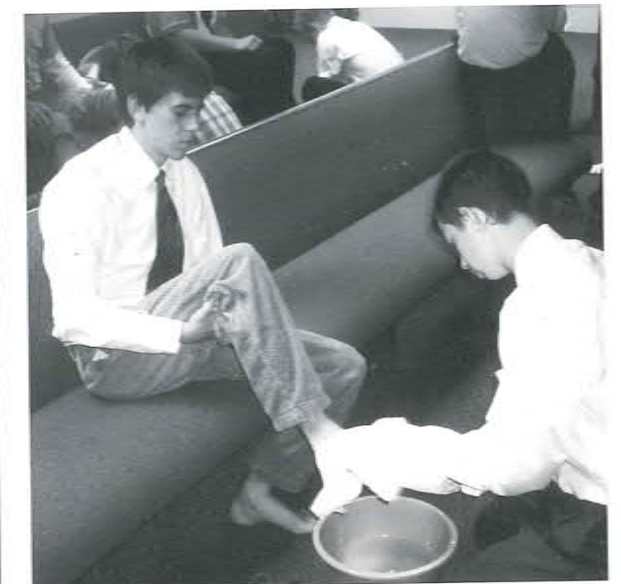
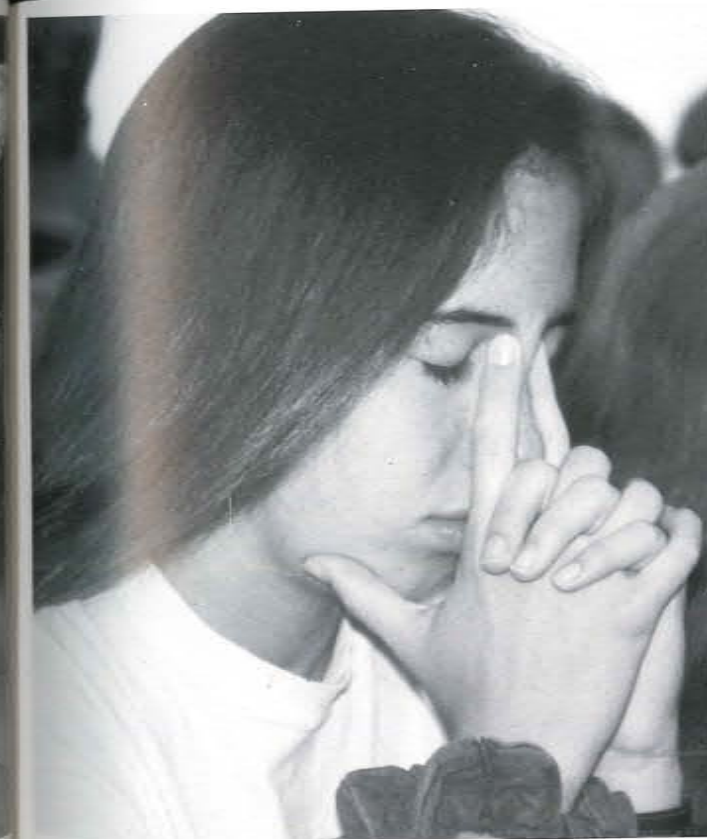
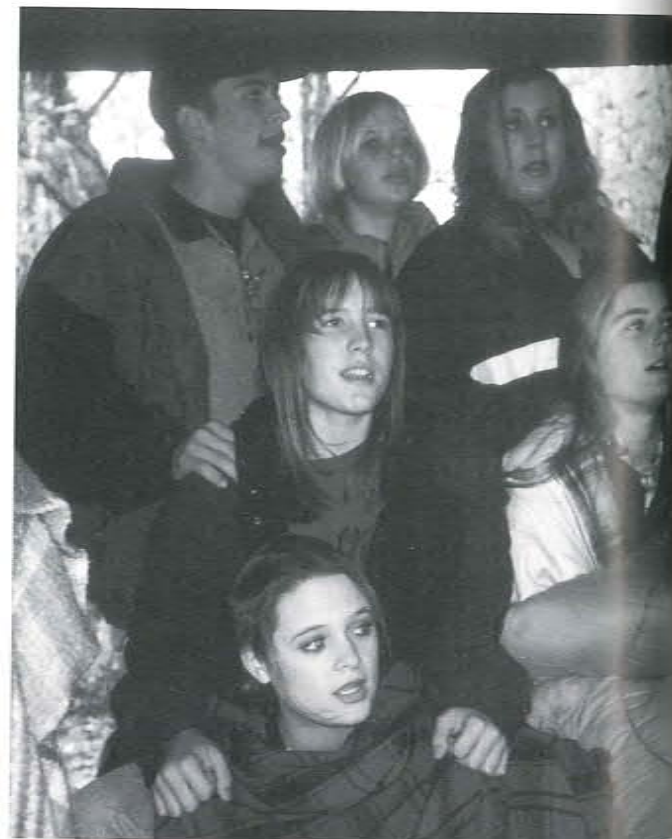
Above:
Ron Arroyo and Michael Fox await Week of Prayer to start.

Religious Activities



Above:
Jackie James tells a story on a Sabbath afternoon outing.

Right:
Sam, Breanna, Susan, Chantal, Nichole, and Rob sing while trying to keep warm at Cosby Campground during Sabbath in the Mountains.



Above:
Matthew Reese and Elijah Postell participate in the Ordinance of Humility.

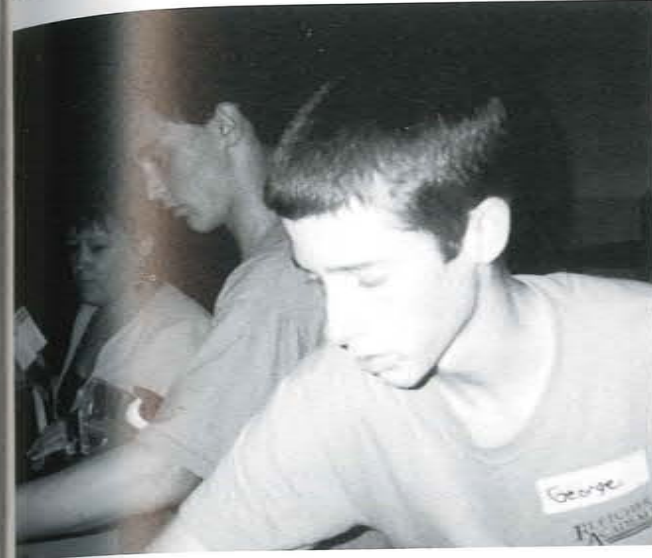
Left:
Ashley Lynes bows her head in prayer.

Right:
The group at ABCCM.

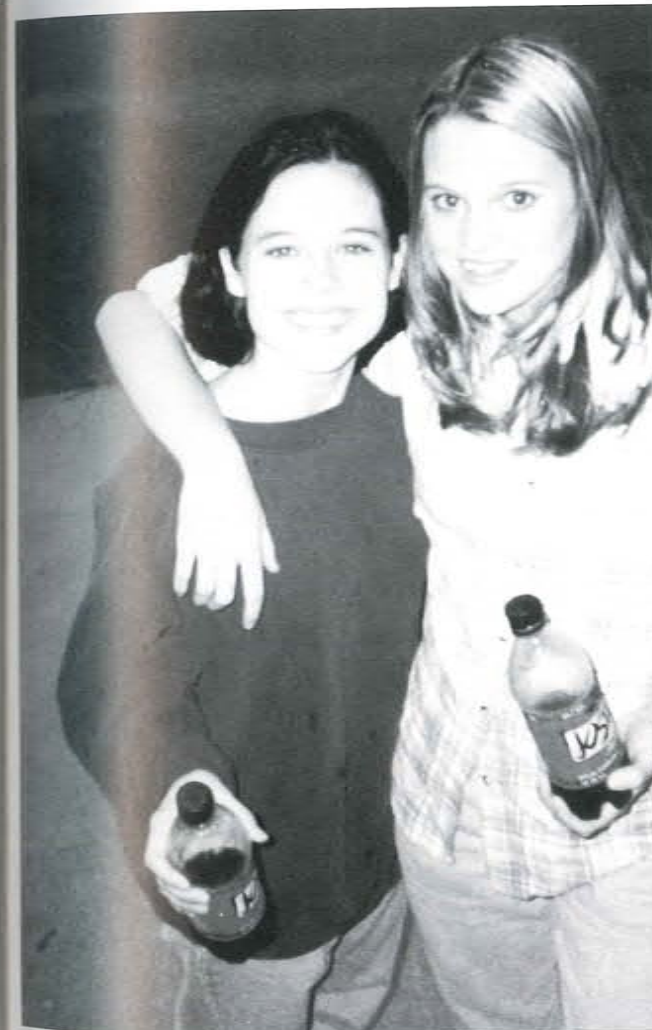
Below:
Justin Mobley tapes and tapes and tapes...



Below:
George Wagner sort of sorts the boxes.



Bottom:
Amy Carlson and Breanna Ashlock take a break.



Community Service



Above:
"Okay! Now I'm ready!" James Boyd prepares for the task at hand.

Right:
"Who said I need to take drivers training?" asks Nichole, Chantal, and Amber.



Top:
Cody Sifers improves reception for Shiela Shafer.

Above:
Anyone need a hanger?

Below:
Kinue Bralley, Anne
Krishingner, Joyce Trace,
Marie Baldwin breaking
ground for the new gym.



Right:
Choir sings a special number
for the Ground Breaking Pro-
gram.



After years of planning, work on the Fletcher Activity Center began at a ground breaking ceremony on November 16th. Eventhough the weather was freezing cold, people came from around the community to show their support and find out more about the Activity Center. A big sign with the plans for the Activity Center was set up to show everyone what it will look like and how much money still needs to be raised.

During the ground breaking ceremony the speeches were kept short because of the cold weather, but the band, steel band, choir, Testify, and the Acro-Knights still performed. At the end of the program they let hundreds of red, white, and blue balloons go soaring up into the sky.

—Sara Yingling



Above Right:
The bulldozer starts the real
work.



Right:
Heather Payne (CGS) flies
high during the extra cold
gym show.

Right:
Mr. Fignolé directs the freez-
ing Fletcher Steel Band.



Sports



IMPRESSIVE

Impressions: the effect of impressing.

Our intermural sports have been just as fun and eventful as any other year. We had our traditional seasons of Flagball, Soccer, and Volleyball. There has been a lot of participation this year by students and by community members who come to play or referee. There were moments of tension, but there were some excited and fun moments too.

—Christina Williams

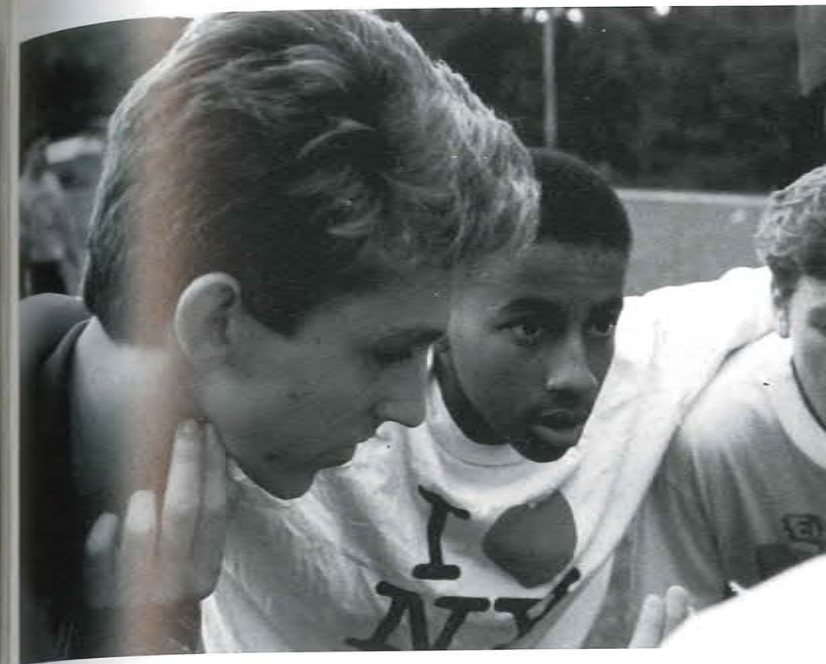
Right:
Ok! Listen up! The team huddles with intense anticipation to receive the play.

Below:
Jennifer Black and her father enjoy a game during the S.A. Fall Picnic.



Above:
What? This isn't the NCAA? Steve Willis displays his reffing-wear before a big game.

Right:
Chris Simon exercises patience while waiting for the game to start.



Left:
Tim Mercer, Jason Smith, and Michael Schneider listen to what they hope will be the winning play.

Below:
Brandon Freck plays quarterback for a girl's team.



Flagball

Reaching for the endzone at Fletcher Academy

This year's flagball had everyone on their toes from on the field to the bleachers. This competitive sport left the referees running around the field trying to call the penalties while the players did their best receiving and intercepting the ball. The players tried to avoid the coach while leaping through the air for the option to pull the flag. The quarterback goes his fastest when the blockers guard the rushers from downing the ball. The fans on the sidelines get a little overexcited when the ball is in play. The girls this

season played extremely well on both offense and defense. When pulling the flag, they didn't worry about breaking nails. They just wanted to win the game. Everyone enjoyed flagball- especially the team that got pizza for winning the playoffs.

—Tyhe Sifers

Flagball is great! It's the first intramural event we have of the year. I look forward to it all summer!

-Brandon Freck

Wow! Flagball is thrilling!

-Natalie Moore

Soccer

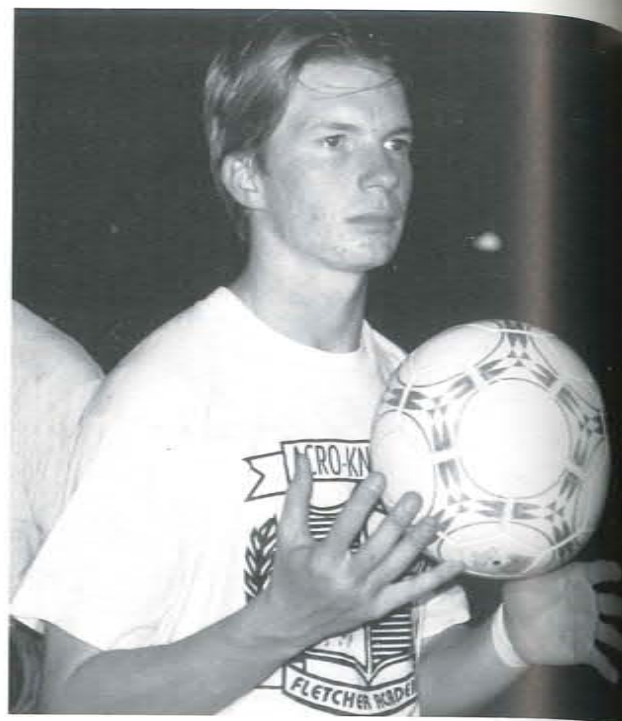
Soccer Season at Fletcher always brings with it the first cold weather and this year was no exception. However this didn't seem to dampen the enthusiasm of the many people who played. It didn't even keep some people from wearing shorts! Mr. Burnham illustrated this point by saying, "Is that the soccer ball or an ice cube?"

Guys, girls, and people from the community were divided up into five teams that played almost every night. Each team worked hard ei-

ther to move the ball up the field and score or to keep the other team from scoring against them. The games were filled with shouts of encouragement and exciting plays and by the end of each game most of the players were exhausted from running. Meredith McCutcheon said, "I love playing soccer- especially goalie. The best part is beating the guys!"

Overall, everyone seemed to have a great time. Soccer season may be over now, but we look forward to next year.

—Sara Yingling



Left:
Justin Mobley starts the game.

Below:
Stephen Young takes the throw-in.



Below:
Go team! Go!



Above:
Rosanne Miles zeros in on Elijah Postell.



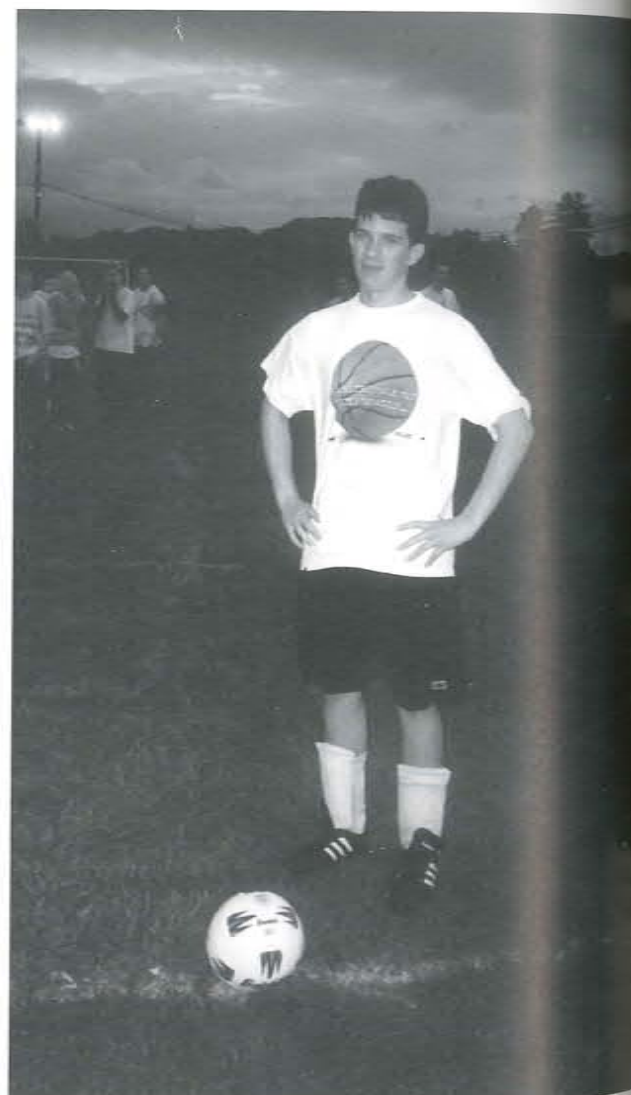
Above:
Is it Eric Wolf or Michael Jordan?



Above:
Greg Harding displays the game ball.

Top Right:
Cody Sifers awaits the beginning of the game.

Right:
Joseph Flechas says, "Are you kidding me?"



Volleyball

Below:
Elsie, Jennifer, Sam,
Shelli, Jenny, and Lisa
are Volleyball all-stars.

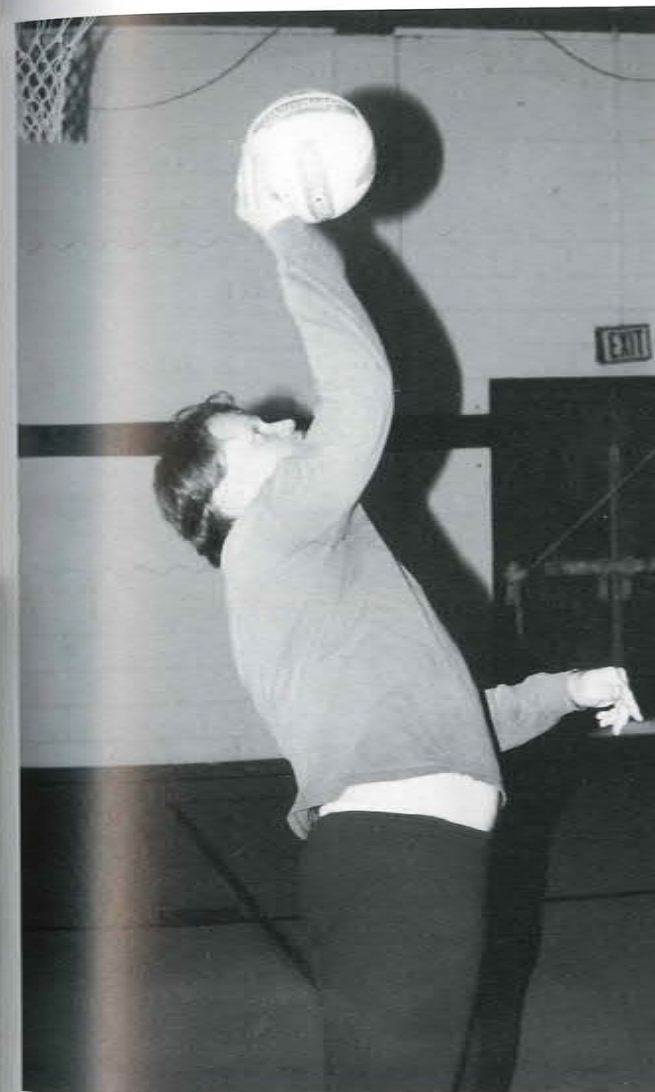
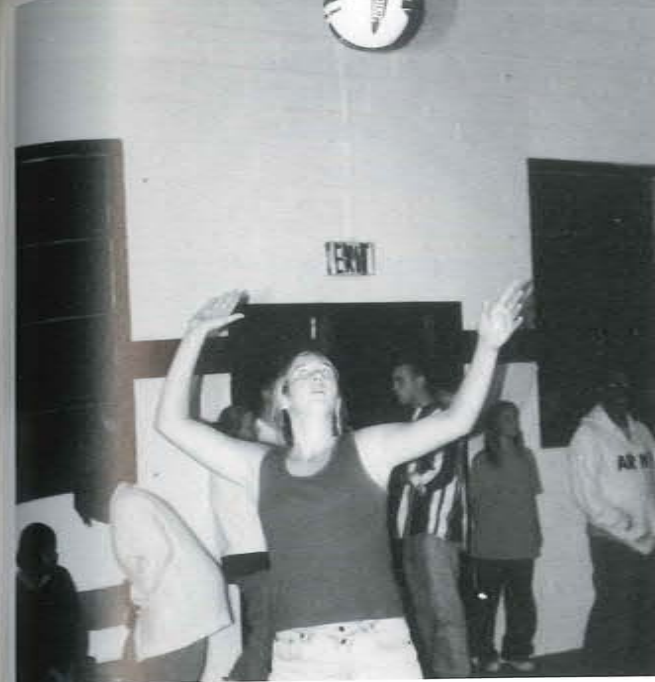
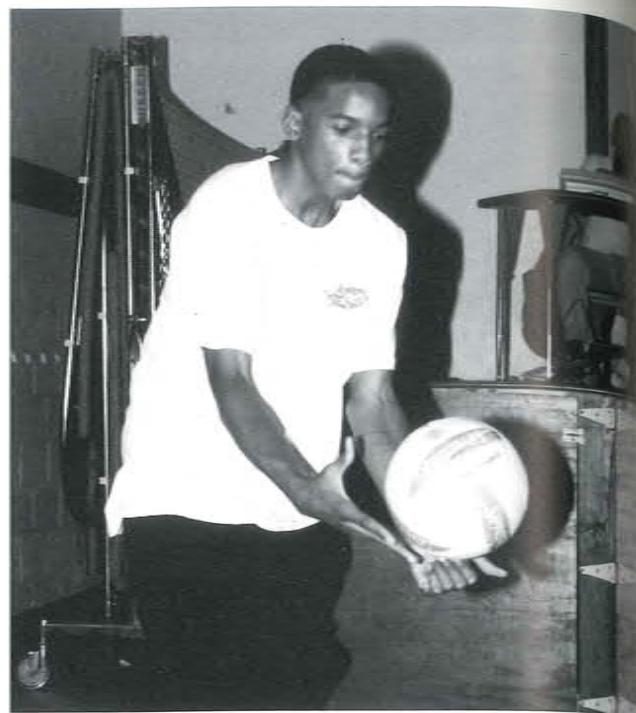


When we all cram in the gym and watch both guys and girls serve, bump, and spike you know it is time for another season of volleyball. This co-ed sport is fun for all. The games are less competitive and offer a fun time away from the dark and cold nights of December and January. With the exception of some carpet burn and the menacing low roof, everyone has a blast.

—Sam Shafer

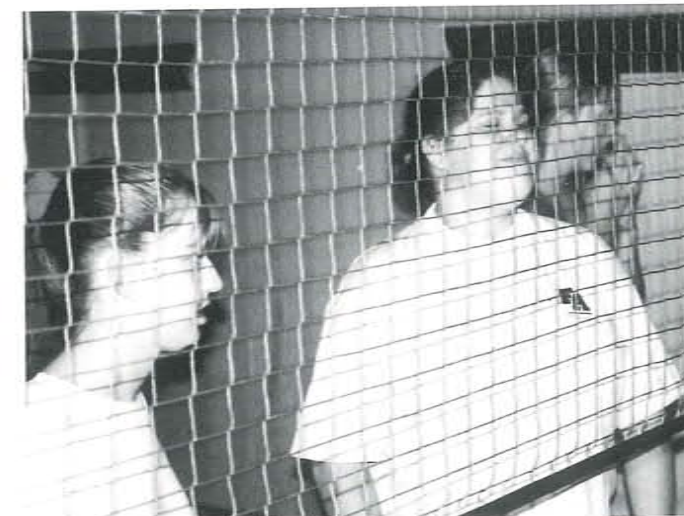
Above Right:
Steve Willis calls,
"Side Out!"

Right:
Elsie Merz bumps the
serve like a pro.



Left:
Shelli goes for the
power serve.

Below:
Jennifer and Jenny
hide behind the net.



Above:
Ryan Jones has perfect
form as he power serves.

Left:
Tasha Marsh waits for the
ball and a set.



Left:
Larry Hetzer shows us
that the old body still can
play volleyball.

Basketball



Above: Kerri-Ann Brooks gives her team a pep-talk.

Left: Max goes for three in warm-ups before the game.

Right: Betty Ashlock calculates the trajectory to the basket and shoots.



We began our basketball season in January. We had five guys and three girl teams this year. Girls played two games a week instead of the usual one per week. Every evening someone from the community came and took the time to help referee the game. Before each game we opened the game with prayer and had fun in the game's friendly competition.

-Sam Shafer

Below: Misty said the flash was in her eyes.



Below: 2-Short thinks 3's is the way to be.



Below: Coach Willis starts the game with prayer.



Clubs



Impressing Others

Impressions: to produce a vivid impressions.

Many of us choose to get involved in clubs like Gymnastics, Choir, Band, and Steel Band for the chance to go on trips and for the chance to witness. Other of us get involved in Boys/Girls' Clubs, S.A., and Annual to express our creative selves. Being involed in these clubs gives us a chance to interact with people outside our specific class. We have found that it is a way to have fun expressing ourselves, exerting our energy, and enriching our minds.

-Dori Young

This year there has been a lot of changes to the Acro-Knights. For instance, we have a new coach and practically an entirely new team. At the beginning, we all were a little skeptical on how the year would go, but when we went to Andrews University we pulled together as a team. There, we had a great performance, especially since it was our first performance. From that trip we brought back a lot of good ideas and a new sense of being a team.

We are improving every day in our skills and in our working together. Our team is having a great year so far and we are looking forward to more trips and routines to bond as a team.

—Kathie Diamond

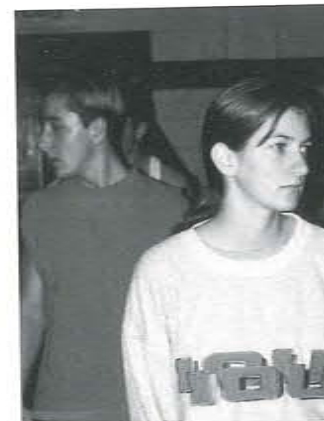


Back Row: Vadim Ivanov, David Albarelli, Tim Ashlock, Cody Sifers, Nathan Sweigart, Jesse McClung, Ryan Jones, Wesley Peterson, Ricci Boulanger, Stephen Young, John Platt, Rob Stockford. **Front Row:** Dori Young, Shelli Stevenson, Kathie Diamond, Becky Todd, Merz, Amy Carlson, Sam Shafer, Jamie Rowe, Sara Holland, Jenny Maxwell, Ashley Payne, Heather Payne, Stephanie Allen, Ashley Shafer, Roseanne Miles, Misty Armstrong, Lisa H.



Above: Rob Stockford and Cody Sifers use their strength to pull off a perfect butterfly with Amy Carlson and Misty Armstrong.

Below: Vadim and Misty wonder as we wonder.



Below: The ever famous Cheerleading Pyramid.



Acro-Knights



Above: Coaches Steve Willis and Danny Fignole. Team Captains Roseanne Miles and Stephen Young.



Above: Stephanie Allen stretches out with a smile.



Right: Roseanne Miles prepares to jump into a high flying toss.



Left: Jamie Rowe busses Ashley Shafer in a camel.

Above: Dori, Shelli, Kathie, and Becky take a moment out of practice to smile for the camera.

Whispering Hills



Left: Ryan Jones sorts through pictures for the annual.



Right: Sam Shafer enters data on the Mac.



Above: Loree Henion finds more room on the floor to choose layouts.

Right: Ken Arany said he did not want any more pictures of him in front of a computer, so we cropped the computer out.

Far Right: Becky Todd (picture unavailable) gives us a "no comment".



CREATIVE LICENSE

Whispering Hills took some creative license this year. For the first time in Fletcher Academy's history the annual was completely laid out and submitted for publication using a computer. If you have never produced an annual using paste-up (i.e. pasted everything to be camera ready) you cannot fully understand the time and labor saving our little PowerPC 8500/120 really was this year. Thanks to Ken Arany, the computer always ran smoothly. Also, Mr. Workman's photography made finding the most embarrassing shots simple. Congratulations to Becky Todd and Ryan Jones, our editors, on a great annual.

-James Robertson (proud annual advisor)



Above: Pastor Jack takes the helm as Ken looks on.



Above: Danylynn Maxson looks skeptical as she flips through the layout notebook.



Above: Christina Williams is glad Mr. Robertson remembered her picture for this page.



Above: Dori takes her usual break from production.



Left: Sara Yingling edits copy on the newest set of proofs.



Far Left: Jenny Maxwell mans (or womans in this case) the phones for ads.

On the first day of choir we had few people and only one guy. We were a little worried, but we eventually grew to over 30 members. We had lots of fun in class and loved to practice. We sang at a few churches and The Battle Hymn of the Republic for ground breaking. We even had the honor of singing with the Fletcher Church choir in a beautiful church service of Christmas Carols. Even though we had a few trying times. It was a great year and a wonderful experience.

—Christina Williams



Left: Ann Harrington, Nichole Stockford and Lori Crago sing in the choir practice room.

Right: The choir is accompanied by a volunteer pianist.



Choir



Above: Stephanie Allen, Breanna Ashlock, Jennifer Black, Lori Crago, Kathie Diamond, Lisa Haney, Ann Harrington, Loree Henion, Rob Jones, Ryan Jones, Ashley Lynes, Meredith McCutcheon, Elsie Merz, Max Mezetin, Roseanne Miles, Natalie Moore, Sam Shafer, Jason Smith, Nichole Stockford, Rob Stockford, Nathan Sweigart, Rachel Tyson, Kristi Weis, Sara Yingling, Tarah Ericson.



Above: Randy Cox steps into the position of new choir director.

The name testify was chosen as a symbol of what our goal is about; to spread God's message, and to make young and old happy. We want people to realize that being a Christian can be fun and enjoyable, and at the same time helping make others happy. We also bring ourselves closer to God. It is wonderful that even though we are still young, God has given us the gift to Testify!

—Meredith & Natalie



Above: Max, Jason, and Rob sing for the Retirees Banquet.

Testify



Above: Nichole Stockford, Natalie Moore, Sara Yingling, Breanna Ashlock, Rob Jones, Sam Shafer, Loree Henion, Jason Smith, Max Mezetin.



Above: Rob Stockford, Meredith McCutcheon, and Hector Lajara.



Left: The lovely ladies sing us a song.

Band

The band is a combined effort for all of Fletcher. We include not only the Academy, but Captain Gilmer, its faculty and the community. Like many of the other organizations on campus, we learn patience and teamwork. No matter what our skill level, we always learn something from band. God blesses all our efforts to praise Him.

—Tim Mercer

Right:
Ken and Travis practice their brass instruments.



Left:
Our fearless leader, Mr. Fignolé.



Left:
Misty Armstrong plays her flute at the Arden Church performance.



Below:
Betty Neacsu and Elizabeth Talbert warm up their flutes.



Above:
David, Brandon, Jesse, and Tim practice diligently.



Right:
Rum, Pum, Pum, me and my drum.



Above:
Cody Sifers shows us how it's done.



Above:
Paul concentrates as he plays his trombone at band practice.

Steel Band

Steel band this year has been a lot of fun despite some of the rough spots. At the beginning of the year we started out with a lot of old players and some new ones who put in extra time to practice and be ready for the first performance, the Apple Festival. Before we knew it, it was the Christmas season and we performed in the Blue Ridge Community College Christmas Festival. Then we had our great Christmas performance. That was prolonged after the trailer ball off and we were at the high school until 11:00p.m. But through it all we stuck together, and learned how to share out talents with others and each other.

—Danylynn Maxson



Left to right: Ann Harrington, Ronald Arroyo, Jessica Danner, Zach Danner, Travis Merrill, Danylynn Maxson, Mr. Fignolé, LaShay Fignolé, Tim Mercer, Bernard Fignolé, Ken Arany, Jonathan Bae, Jennifer Cooper.



Above:
Tim poses for a picture perfect moment at the Christmas Concert.

Right:
Zach concentrates intently while he plays.

Far Right:
Ron on the basses at high noon.



Above:
Jessica Danner anticipates her next move.



Left:
First I hit this, then that, what's next?



Below:
Mr. Fignoli takes time to relax and have some fun.



Above:
Practice makes perfect!

Student Association



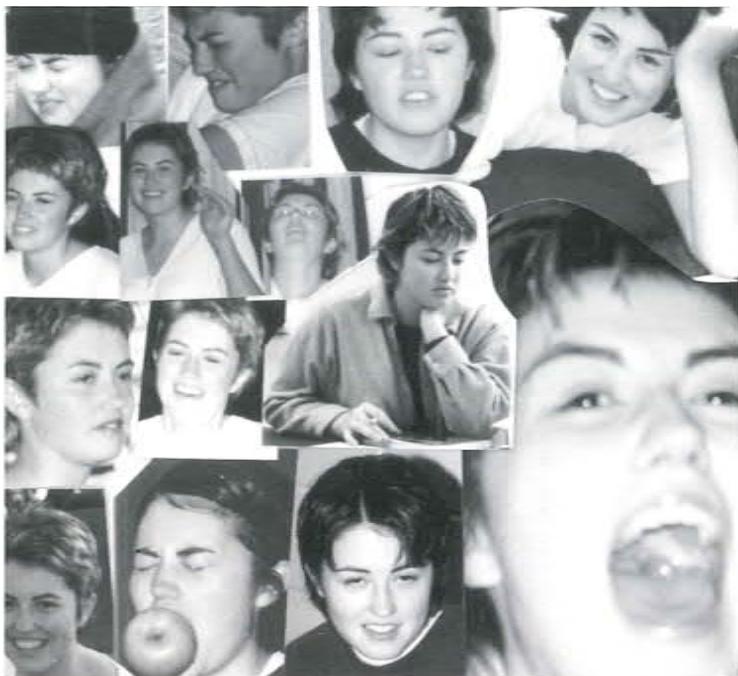
Left: Sara Yingling has reason to smile as S.A. Treasurer.

Right: Kathie Diamond and Natalie Moore figure that two heads are better than blond (oops, I mean one).



Left: S.A. sponsor and coach, Steve Willis, expertly refs our games.

Below: Copasetic colorless collage captivating copious cutouts of Kinue.



The Student Association (S.A.) has only one purpose: to try and make life a little more enjoyable for Fletcher students. S.A. has held many events to entertain our peers, such as the Harvest Party, the Christmas Party, the Scavenger Hunt and Fletcher Follies. Other events were held in a more competitive air, like the Fall Picnic and Anything goes. S.A. was also in charge of our Valentine's Banquet in February.

Aside from entertaining, S.A. helps to make a difference for the students. If there is an excessive amount of complaining about a situation from the students, it is brought before S.A. so that they can suggest a solution before it goes to the faculty. Also when students want something they give their request to S.A. who then represents them to the faculty.

S.A. is a lot of work and preparation, but it is very rewarding to see the students happy and having fun.

—Christina Williams



Above: Kinue needs a little support from Christina after crossing the 5K finish line.



Above: Roseanne participates in Girl's Basketball season.



Above: David Norwood, Sara Yingling, Kinue Bralley, Jason Smith, Christina Williams, Roseanne Miles, Natalie Moore, Kathie Diamond.



Left: David Norwood boldly competes in the 100 yard dash.

Right: Jason Smith contributes his mighty strength to the mighty muddy tug o' war.



Below: S.A. sponsor James Robertson announces the scores (recorded by Janet Novak) for the Fall Picnic.



Below: The S.A. officers carry the torch in the Fall Picnic.

Honor Society

The Fletcher Academy Honor Society. What comes to your mind when you hear these words? It takes a lot to be in the honor society. Not only must a person have a cumulative GPA of 3.5, but must also have a good character, leadership ability, and the ability to stand up for what is right. The honor society is a society of leaders.

The induction service was a special occasion. Everyone dressed in their best attire and listened to a presentation given by Pastor Alden Ho, the new youth pastor at Hendersonville SDA Church. There were seven new people inducted to join Ken Arany as members of the Honor Society. Everything went well until Ryan Jones used the quill pen (it ran out of ink). Afterwards everyone sat down for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

—Ryan Jones



Above:
Ryan Jones signs his name into the members' directory as the pen runs out of ink.



Above:
Mr. Youngberg congratulates Elsie Merz on her being inducted into the Honor Society.



Left:
The inductees:
Nathan Sweigart,
Ryan Jones, David
Norwood, Elsie Merz,
Anne Harrington,
Sara Yingling,
Roseanne Miles.

Student Body



It's Pressing Ourselves

Not only are we here for academics, but we are here to learn valuable social skills. I have noticed how our school bonds together; we are a real family. As we pass in the hallway, we do not just give the obligatory, "hi, how are you." We really care about each other and how the others feel.

—Ken Arany

Juniors



"We have always been relaxed and laid back, not worrying about the other classes' opinion of us."

—Roseanne Miles

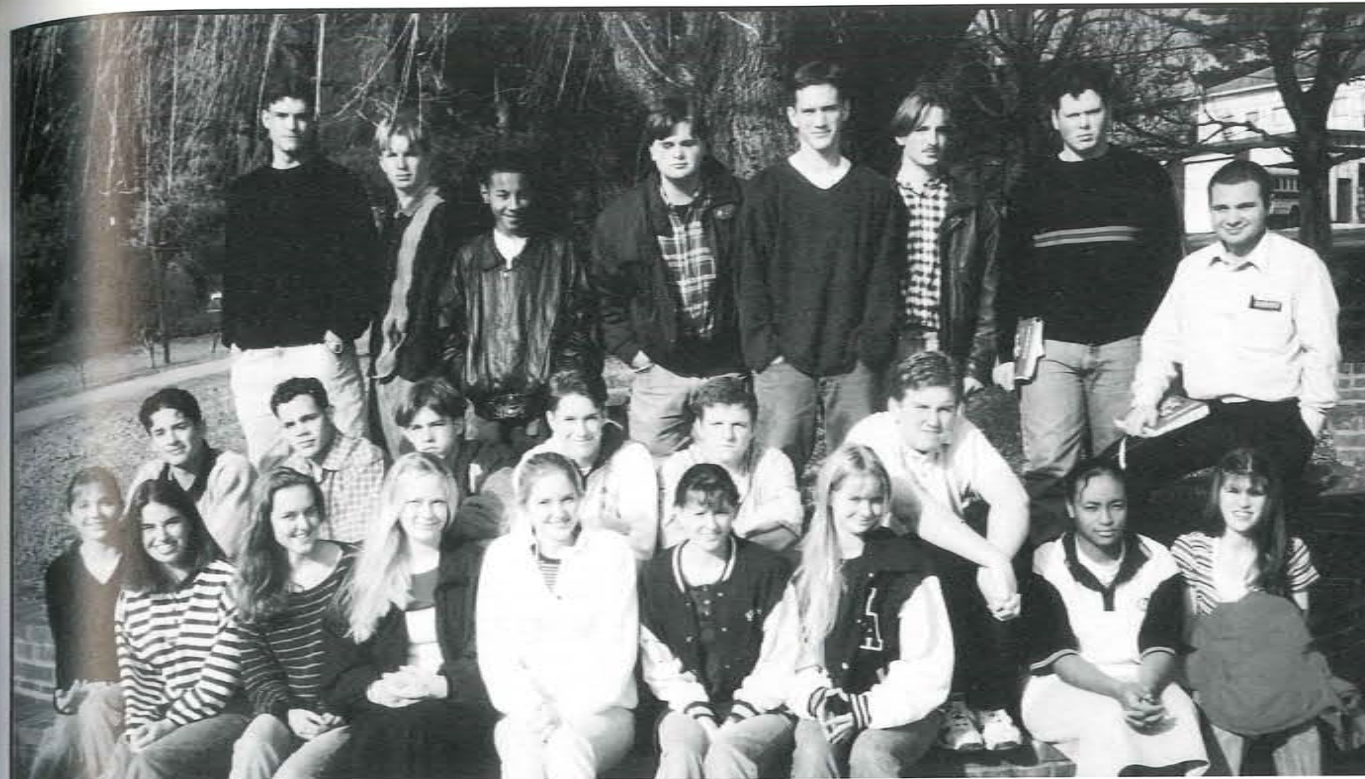
"For Better or for worse, the Junior class sticks together."

—Kerri-Ann Brooks



"The Yak Club."

—Jeremy Manis



In Alphabetical Order:

Tim Ashlock, James Boyd, Kerri-Ann Brooks, Jessica Danner, Kathie Diamond, John Hall, Greg Harding, Jesse Justus, Hector Lajara, Jeremy Manis, Meredith McCutcheon, Roseanne Miles, Natalie Moore, David Norwood, Wesley Peterson, Ricky Platt, Cody Sifers, Jason Smith, Rob Stockford, Elizabeth Talbert, Rebecca Todd, Sara Yingling, Steven Young.



The Junior Class Officers:
Front: Sara Yingling, Tim Ashlock, Kathie Diamond, Rob Stockford, Jessica Danner.
Back: Natalie Moore, Roseanne Miles



"Our class likes to spend time together!"

—Stephen Young

"Being a Junior makes me realize that I'll be a Senior next year, then I'm outta here."

—Becky Todd



"We are leaders of the student body."

—Wesley Peterson



"Being a Junior never gets boring, especially with people like Hector and Meredith around."

—Jessica Danner



Class of 1999



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President



Kathie Diamond
Vice President



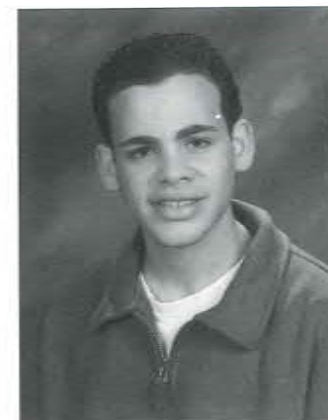
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Jessica Danner
Treasurer



Jesse Justus



Hector Lajara



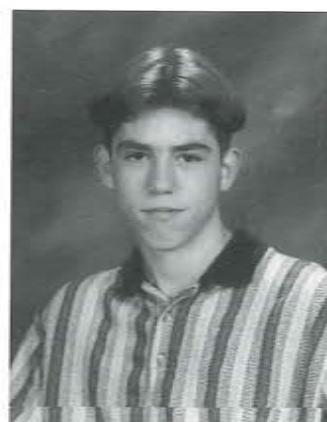
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Meredith McCutcheon



Roseanne Miles
Pastor



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S.A. Representative



Robert Stockford
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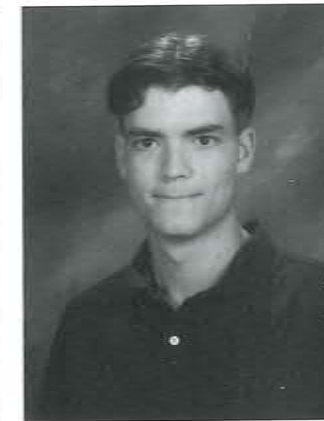
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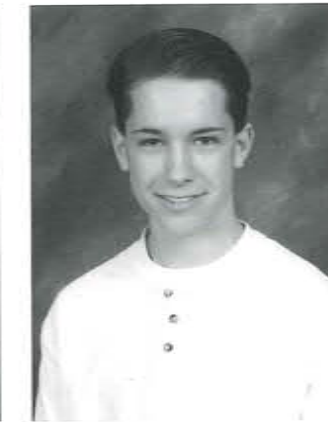
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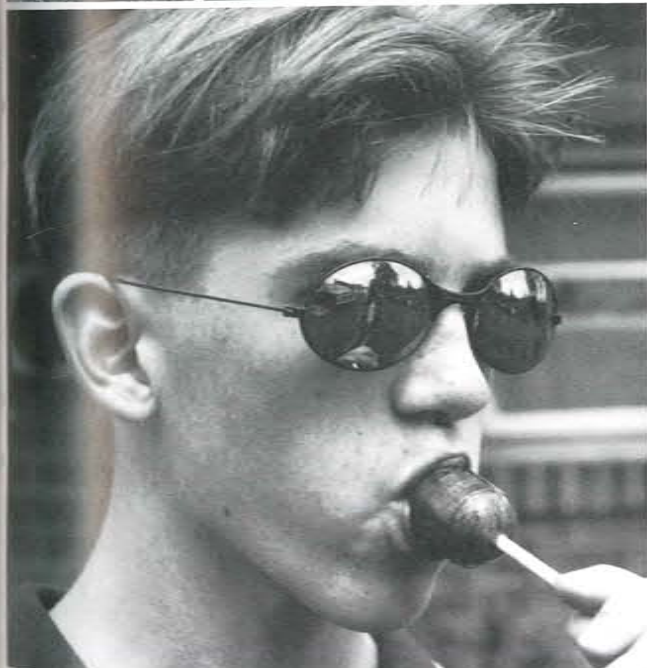
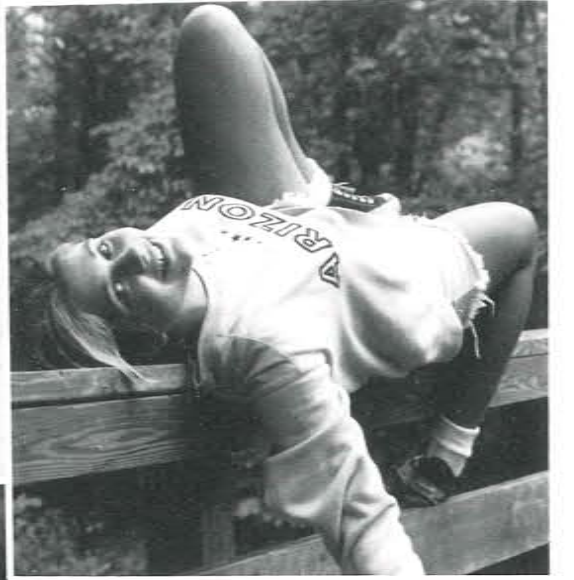
Elizabeth Talbert



Rebecca Todd



Stephen Young



Sophomores

Right:
Jennifer Black and Jennifer Cooper take a time out in Algebra II class.

Below:
Smile, Tim!



Left:
Hello? Anyone home?

Below:
The Red headed club!



Above:
Ricci Boulanger and Mark Walker sign up for community service.



Above:
Jamie Rowe sports her dimple at Pizza Hut.



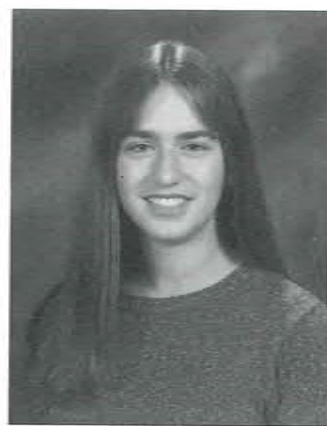
Above:
Betty Neacsu relaxes in front of the Administration Building.



Above:
Ricci's shy smile is captured by the camera.



Jamie Rowe
President



Jennifer Black
Vice President



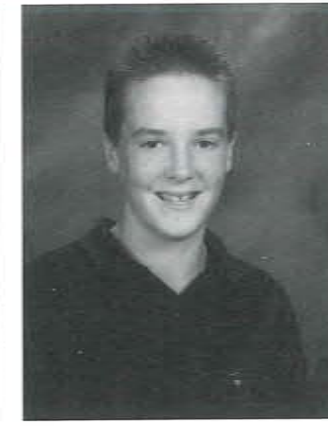
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Nathan Sweigart
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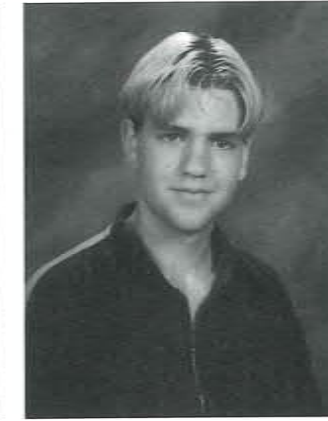
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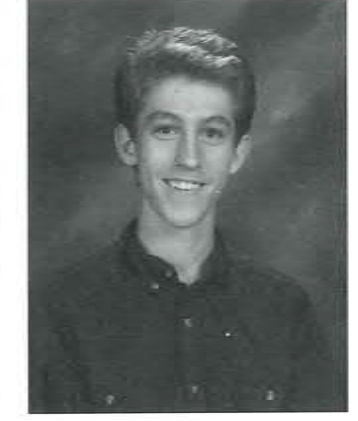
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Rob Jones



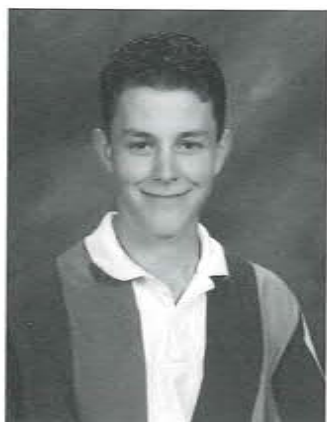
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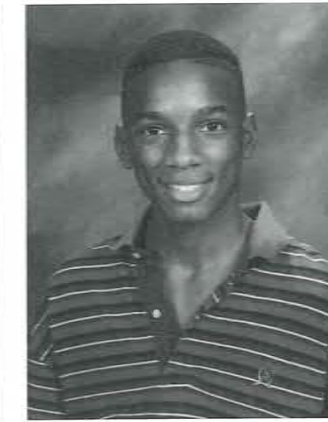
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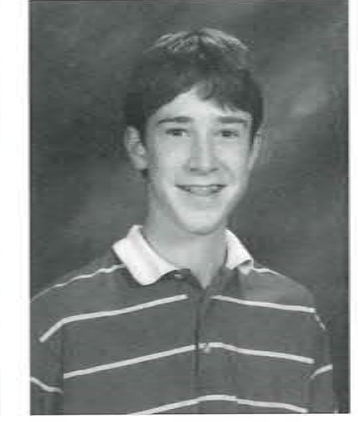
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Max Mezetin



Melissa Milks



Justin Mobley



Amber Pyle



Michael Schneider



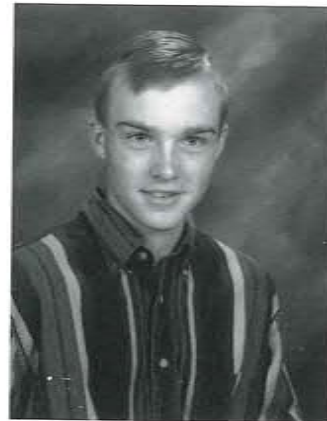
Chantal Sola



Nichole Stockford



Michael VanCleave



Mark Walker



Above:
Someone finally gets a picture of Ann Harrington.



Far Left:
Sophomore Class officers:
Back: Nathan Sweigart,
Jamie Rowe, Betty Neacsu,
Breanna Ashlock, George
Wagner.
Front: Jennifer Black, Amy
Carlson, Rachel Tyson



Left:
Max gives us another one of
his perfect smiles.



Left:
Nichole having a good hair day and liking it.

Below:
Michael VanCleave catches a few extra zzz's
in class.



Above:
Loree Henion says, "Hello, Fletcher Academy
Girls' Dorm."

Left:
Amy Carlson on crutches agian?

Freshmen

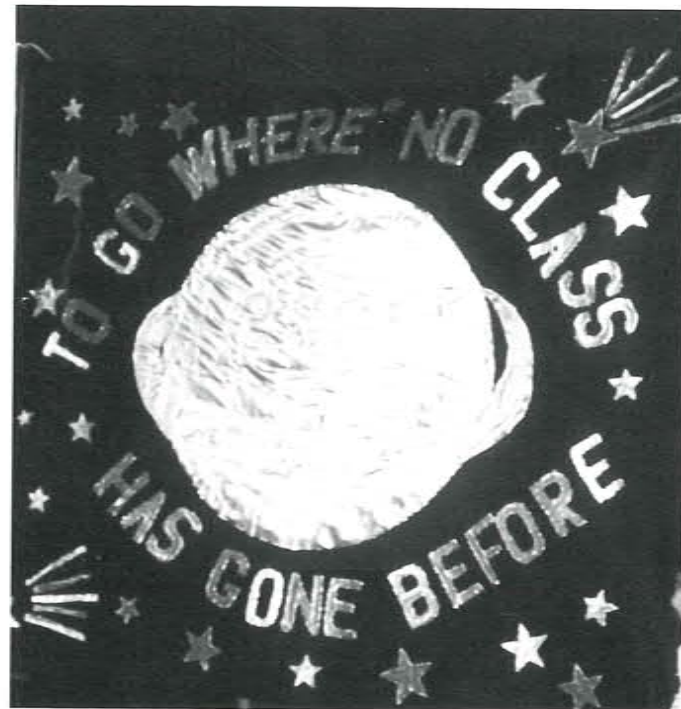
Right:
Paul dreams of the NBA.



Far Right:
David ponders to pass the time.

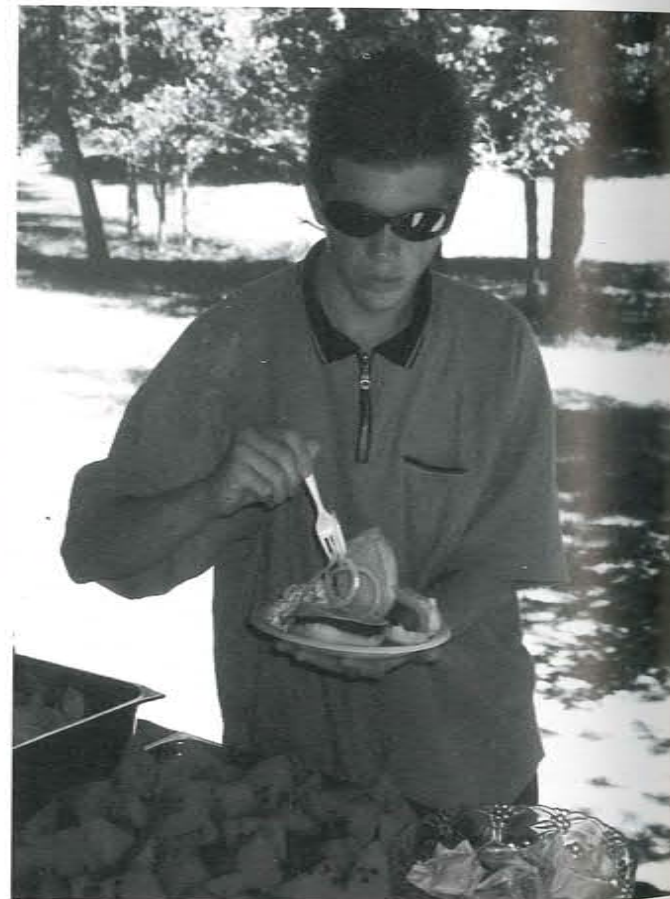


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Barbara Freeland a proud member of the class 2001.



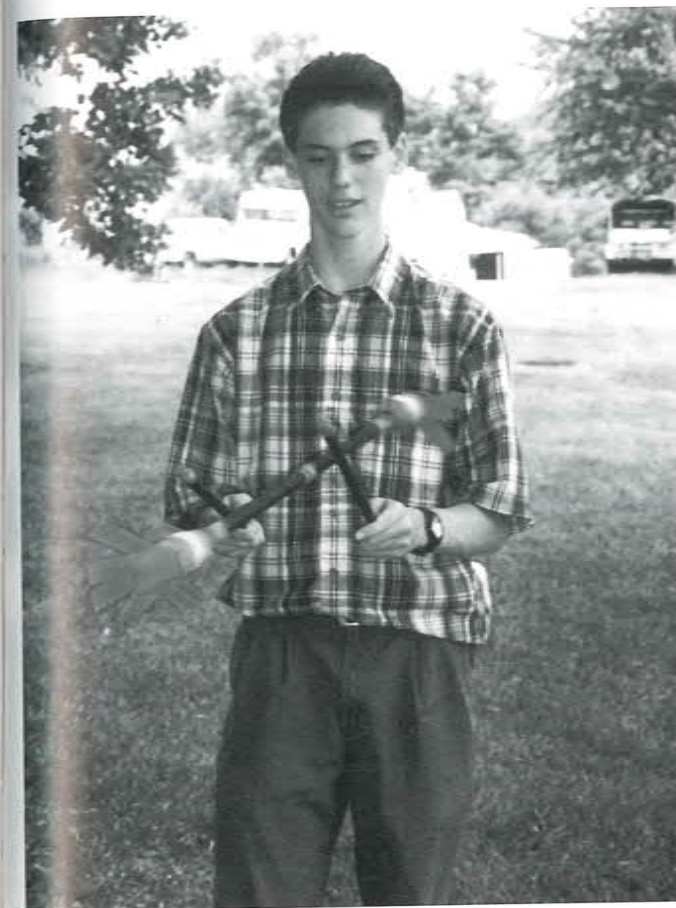
Above:
The proud banner of the Freshmen class.

Right:
Tyhe piling up his plate.



Left:
Elijah in all his glory.

Below:
How cute! Betty and Lisa show us their pretty smiles.

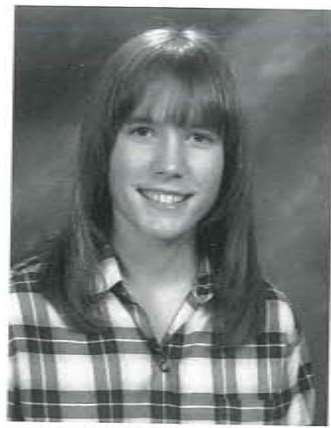


Above:
Robert showing off his clown abilities.

Above Right:
Sam lounges, and she's so good at it!



Above:
Chris enjoys the nice sunny day.



Sam Shafer
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Lisa Haney
Vice President



Ashley Lynes
Secretary



Kristi Weis
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Michael Fox



Barbara Freeland



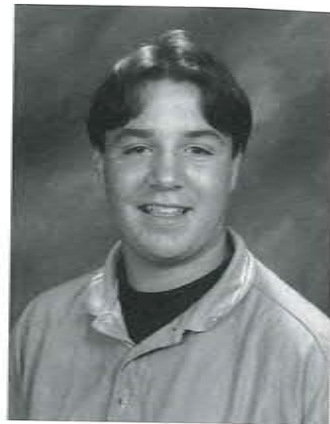
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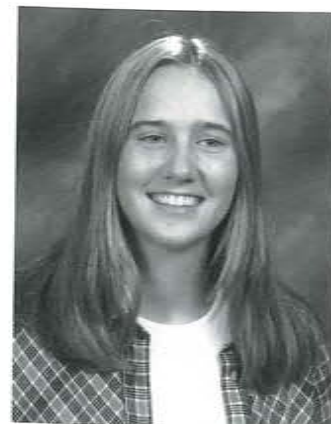
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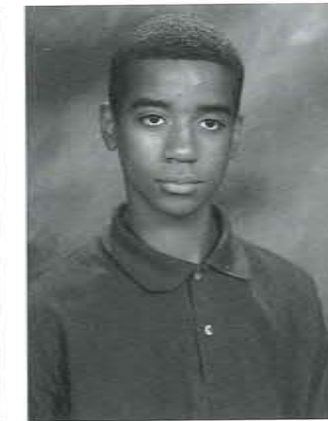
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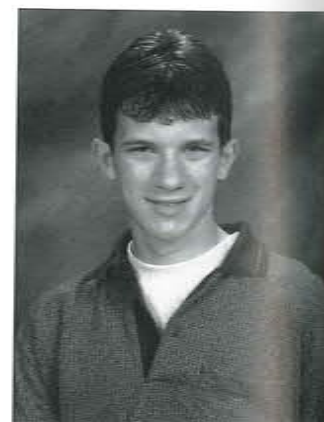
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Zach Danner



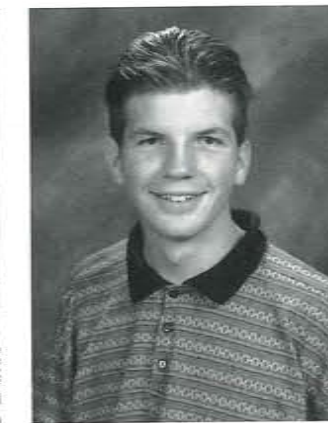
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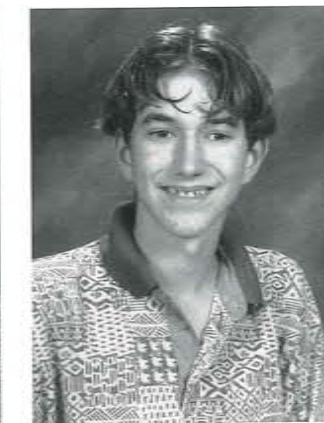
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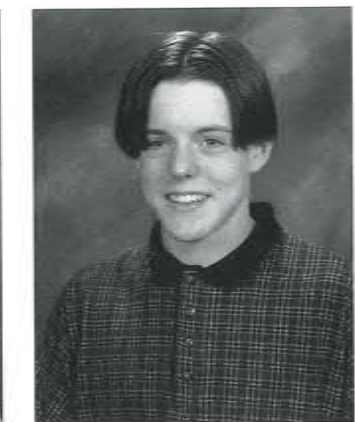
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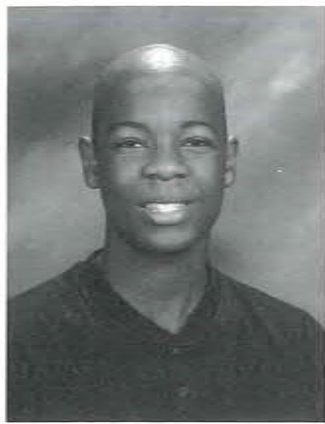
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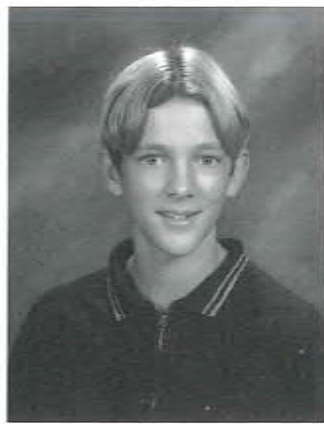
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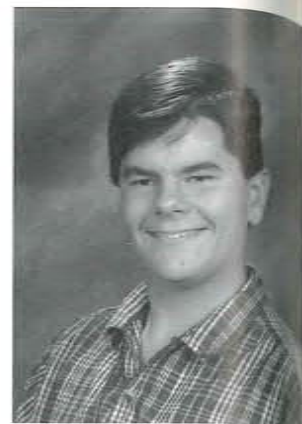
Paul Wakefield



Matthew West



Adam White



Christopher Wynne

Right:
Shelli greets us with another of her wonderful smiles.



Below:
Adam finds yet another unique place to relax in the bus.



Above:
Joseph laughs at something very amusing.



Left:
Ronald shows us how to be a cleanliness engineer.



Left:
Matthew shows us his pearly white teeth.



Below:
Jonathan enjoys a nice hot beverage at the Harvest Party.



Left:
Michael ponders the larger things of life.

Above:
Ashley does her part on Community Service day.



Bill Bass
Guys' Dean/Bible IV
Auto/Woodworking



Ginger Benfield
Librarian



James Burnham
Eng. IV/Phys. Science
Choir



Pierre Fignolé
Band/Steel Band



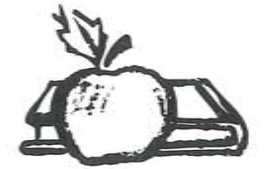
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Principal/Goemetry



Brent Yingling
Spanish I & II/Testing
Eng. I, II, & III



David Youngberg
Science/Alg. I



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Jackie James
Chaplain/Bible I & III



Janet Novak
Registrar/Keyboarding



James Robertson
Math/Physics
Desktop Pub



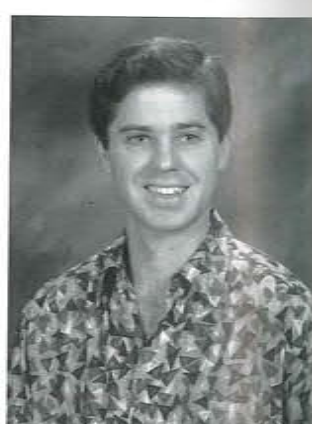
Sheila Shafer
Girls' Dean/Home Ec.



Jon Smith
Work Coordinator



Shane Teague
Asst. Boys' Dean



Steve Willis
P.E. Coach/Bible II
Health/Gymnastics

Faculty Kids



Right:
Runners up for the cutest couple, Joe and Sheila Shafer.



Right:
Pierre Fignole: "And-a-one, and-a-two, and a one, two, three."



Right:
Janet Novak: "Where's my cell phone? Oh, it's in my Longenburger Basket!"



Above:
David Youngberg enjoys a quiet afternoon outside.



Right:
James Burnham your Teva's are untied.

Right:
Her bright and cheerful attitude brightens all our days. She is the fabulous Julie George.



Left:
James Robertson: "To infinity and beyond."



Left:
Brent Yingling: "Bonjour, que passa?"



Below:
Ginger Benfield: "Are you paying for your gum fine or your library fine?"



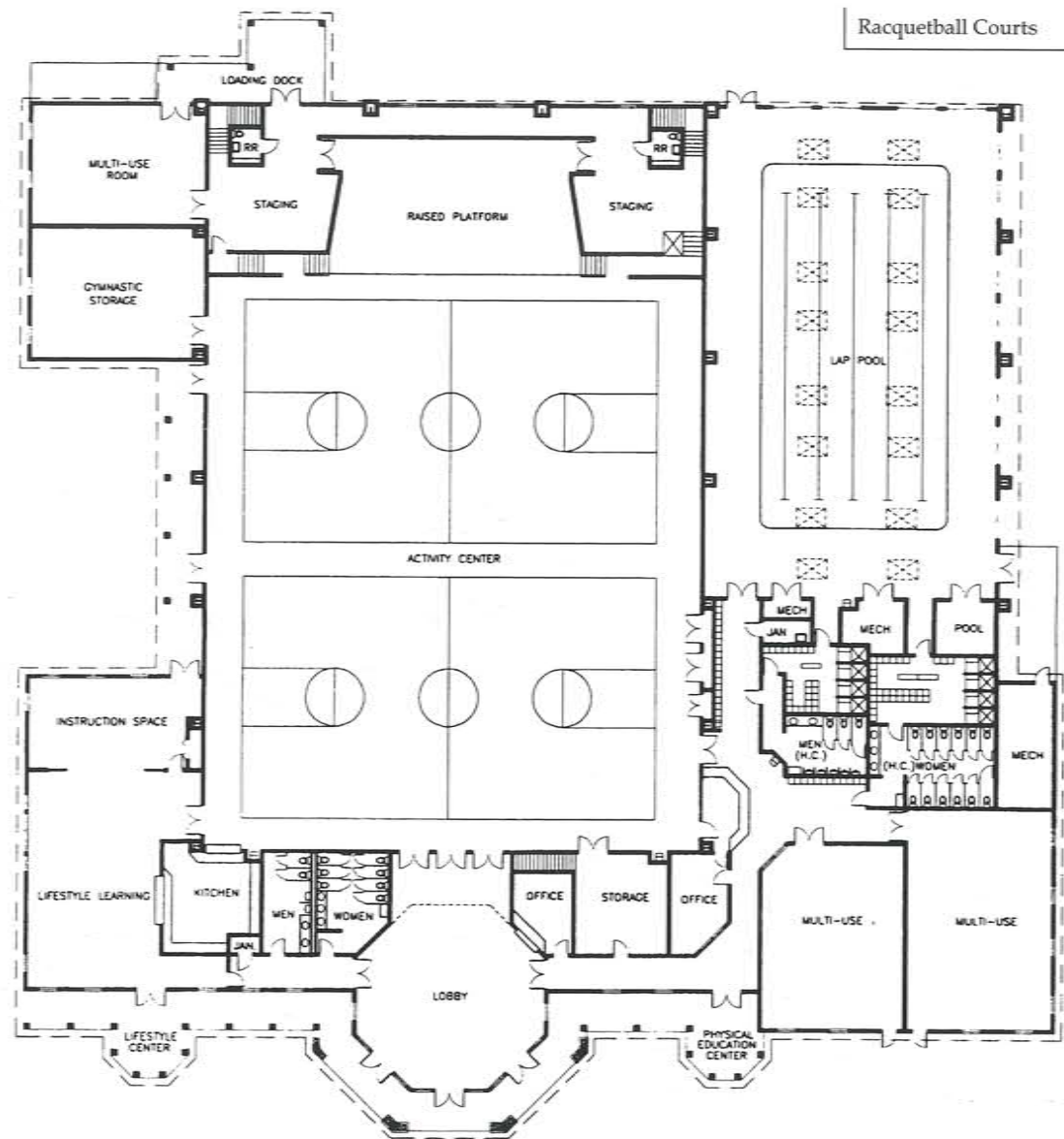
Above:
Jon Smith has a lot on his mind, except hair.



Above:
Jackie James - One eyed Jack!

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Dear Danny,

It's hard to believe that my "baby" is already graduating from academy. You are an all around good son and a great sport! You have brought me much happiness. I'm very proud of your accomplishments, Daniel Son. Keep striving to be all you can be. You can do whatever you set your mind to. But most importantly, keep your eyes focused on Jesus, and you will gain the most important prize of all.

Love,
Mom



It wasn't long ago that you were sitting for this picture, all grown up at six. Bright eyed and excited about school. Now your graduating from High School, 18 and wanting to be free. Just thrilled that it is all over! Life continues, upward, forward.

*"What Next!"
Love Mom & Dad*



Dear Dori,

It is so hard to believe that you are graduating. We are so proud of all you have accomplished. Having you as part of our family for 18 1/2 years has been a joy. Always keep your focus on Christ and with Him you can do anything. God be with you "Swiss Miss" as you choose your place of services for Him.

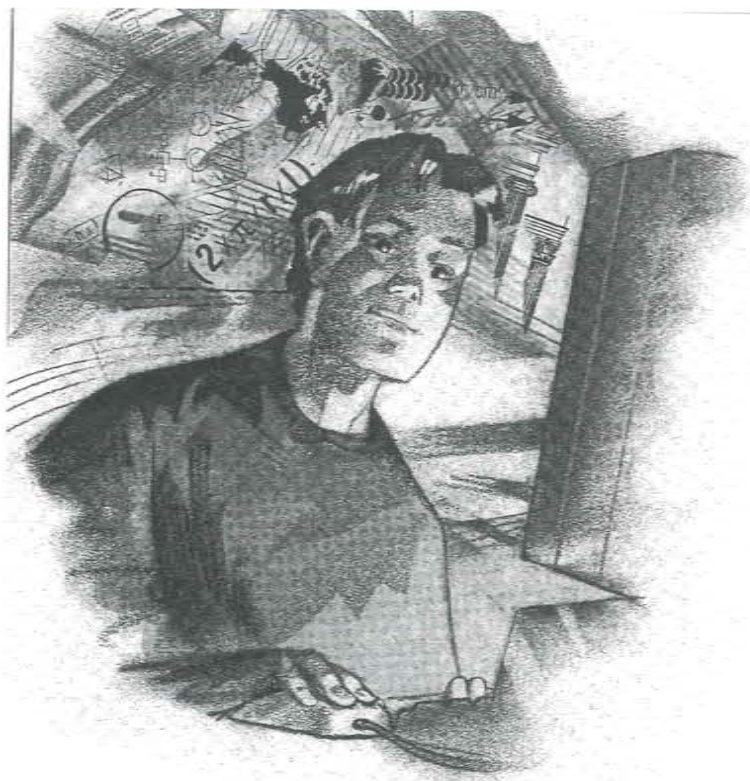
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Dear Ken,

Congratulations on completing another step in your education. We are proud of your accomplishments. Always make God first in your life.

*Love,
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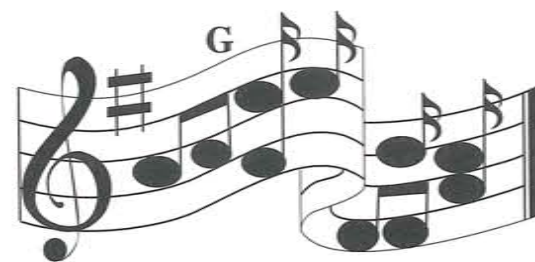


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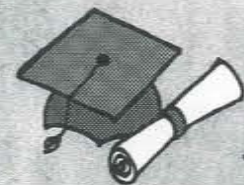
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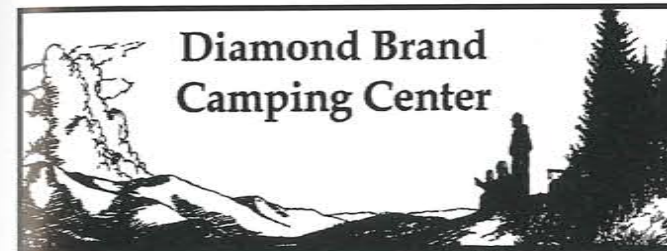


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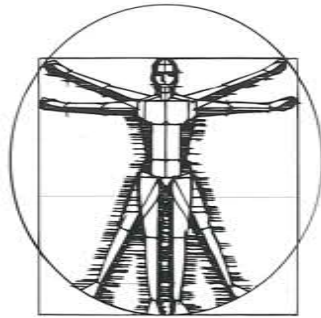
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Dear Ryan,

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PAST/PRESENT: Friends will always remember you for your Nintendo games, your home movie directing and your unique concepts of what is funny You will also be well remembered for your creative mind and for being so responsible in everything you do

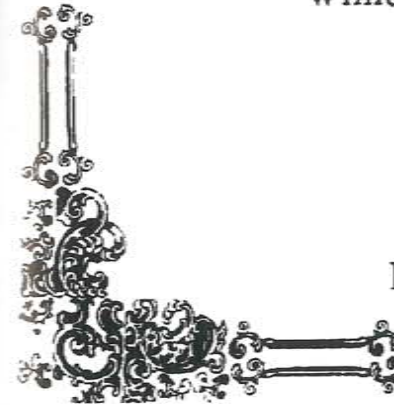
We're so proud to be your Mom and Step dad,
Darlene and Larry

p.s. Remember your promise to me when you were four years old You said when you grew up you'd buy me a Lamborghini! I'm waiting. Mom

Congratulations Ryan Jones

It is hard to believe that you have now moved from child to adult. Where have the eighteen years gone? While much of that time we've been separated by time and space, I want you to know that you've always been and will continue to be on my mind!

Through turmoil, hardship and adolescence you've managed to keep you head up and forge forward. I am so incredibly proud of you and your accomplishments. I am even more proud to be called
Your Dad.



BRYAN EASLER

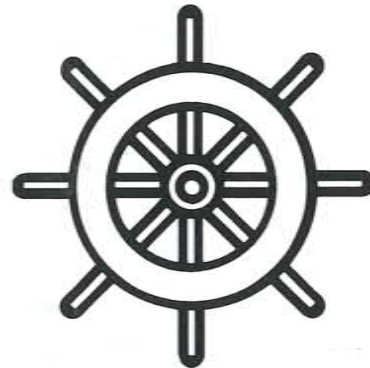


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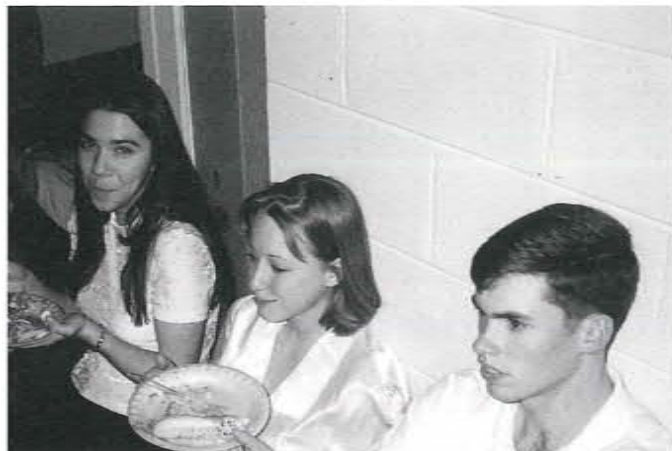
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Tom,

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Congratulations on a job well done!

From Mom & Dad, Karen &
Grandparents

"My Son, hold on to wisdom and sound judgement and never let them out of your sight." Proverbs 3:21

Congratulations Class of '98

Valentine's Banquet



Left: Jason Smith and Sara Yingling take a moment for the camera.



Right: Sam Shafer and Rob Stockford try the chop-sticks.



Left: Kathie Diamond and Tim Ashlock enjoying the festivities.



Right: Brenda Ashlock and Paul Jenks stuff thier faces with great food.



Above: Meredith and Adam find the food good and the friends even better.

Right: Max Mezetin and Tiffany Goodin enjoy the soup.



This year the S.A. President had a great idea. She wanted to expand the cultural horizons of the students and try something new, a Japanese theme for the banquet. The evening included vegetables cooking in the shape of a heart and lots of comedy as the food was prepared in front of us. The students loved it and here are the pictures to prove it.



Above: Chris Ratteray, Joe and Sheila Shafer watch as the chef prepares the meal.



Above: Brandon LeBlanc and Avalla Goodin chuckle at the chef's jokes.



Left: Travis Merrill and Jennifer Cooper make a cute couple.



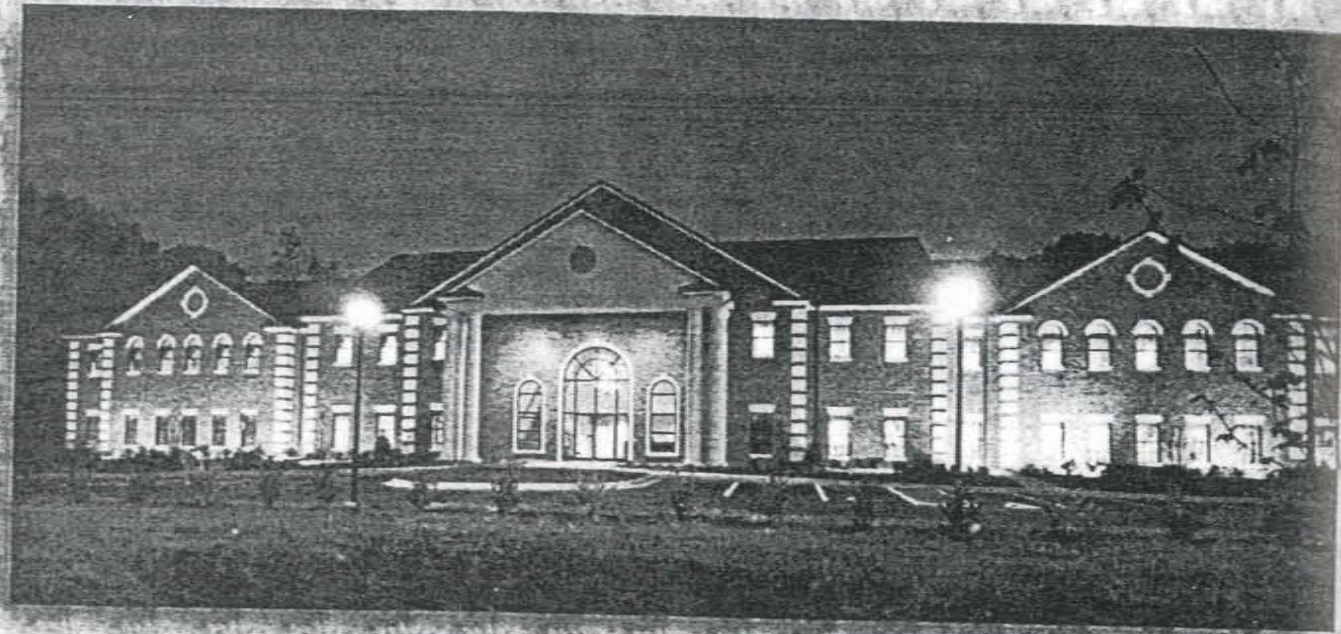
Right: Erick Young and Tina Williams look picture-perfect as they eat.



Left: Shellie Stevenson looks on as the chef makes a cupid and heart of vegetables.



Above: Tarah Erickson and Cody Sifers put their heads together and think that they are having a good time.



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New Additions



Above: *Avalla Goodin (Jr.) and Natasha Marsh.*



Above: *Tarah Erickson (So.), Natasha Marsh (So.), and Renee Salhaney (So.).*



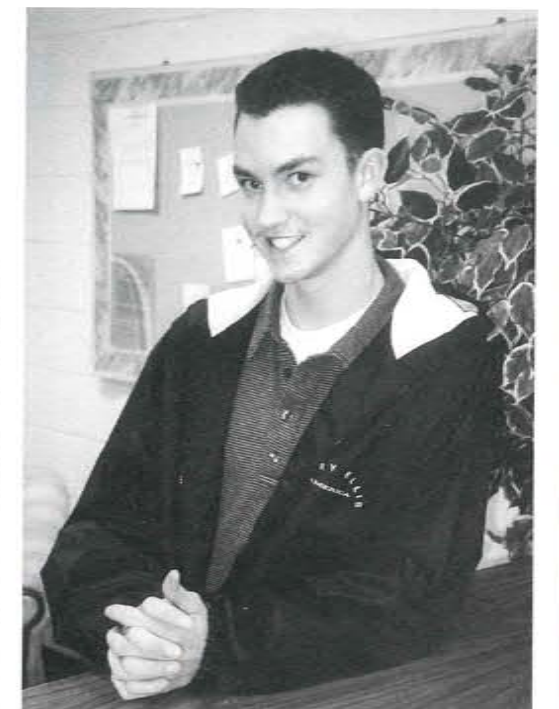
Right: *Tiffany Goodin (Jr.)*



Above: *Mitzi Metcalf (Sr.)*



Above: *Valerie Beck (Fr.)*



Above: *Josh Nelsen (Jr.)*

Not Pictured: *Alicia Hunter-Harris (Jr.)*

Editors' Page

Ah, The Editors page. I really don't have that much to say. What I can say is that I think the yearbook was really fun to work on. If in later years you wish to be on a yearbook staff don't join unless your prepared for hard work and fun.

I got to thinking and I've decided to write a story so that my legacy can live on. Here it is (enjoy):

Once there was a man (duh). Who severed all of his ties with reality. Because all of his ties with reality had been severed, reality tended to look away from this man. Since this story in itself is not reality we can comfortably give this man a name. Lets call him Gary Crinksin.

Making the transition from reality to unreality creates undue pressure on ones lymph nodes. Because of this strain Gary found that his lymph nodes had disintegrated. Now your probably thinking, "How can someone live without lymph nodes?" As I said before reality tended to look the other way when it came to Gary Crinksin. Not to mention that his story is completely fictional.

All of the above is all nice and well, but I have not yet mentioned what it is that makes Gary so unique to society. What made him so unique was this. Gary was exposed to some unique form of electro-repellant energy wave. There seems to be no such thing as an electro-repellant wave, but remember what I said before about Gary and reality. Anyway, the wave gave Gary an advanced case of cataracts. Not only that, but Gary developed a special case of cancer on those Cataract. Consequently, he had to shave his eye ball removed, and replace with eye cubes. Because he was the only person in the world with eye cubes, his fiends (thats no typo!) tended to make fun of him a lot.

As soon as the government found out about Gary's unique condition, they abducted him and forced him to purchase insurance against alien abductions and impregnations. The government successfully cloned him, thus creating a perfect soldier, impervious to all forms of "real" attack and torture.

For every offense, there is a defense. So, the stupid Nazis' planted people in the U.S. named Julie George, Bill Clinton, Marty Freidman, and others. These peoples primary mission was to ultimately corrupt the government of the United States by creating useless if not stupid conspiracy theories.

And that is how all conspiracy theories have (or will be) originated.

— Ryan Jones



Look for the trasures in life.
Each person you meet has a
treasure to give.

'Tis the last of the school year,
Left blooming alone;
All her lovely companions
Are faded and gone;
No flower of her kindred,
No rosebud is nigh,
To reflect back her blushes,
Or give sigh for sigh!

I'll not leave thee, thou lone
one,
To pine on the stem;
Since the lovely are sleeping,
Go sleep thou with them.
Thus kindly I scatter
Thy leaves o'er the bed
Where they mates of the
garden
Lie scentless and dead.

So soon may I follow,
When friendships decay,
And from Love's shining circle
The gems drop away!
When true hearts lie withered,
And fond ones are flown,
Oh! who would inhabit
This bleak world alone?

—Becky Todd

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