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The 2002-2003 Fletcher Academy Yearbook

Down In The Southern Mountains

Yearbook Editor: Andrew Shaw



Teacher Dedication

Mr. Craig Johnson



You have been with us for two years, and during that time you have accomplished much more for Fletcher than many do in their entire time here. You have been (and still are) a fantastic History & PE teacher & an awesome SA Sponsor. You're also the Head Coach of FA's gym team, the **ACROKNIGHTS**. Under your direction the **ACROKNIGHTS** performed in front of thousands of people in these last two years. It is safe to say that even though you have only been here for two years, you have made a semi-truck size dent in the FA History Book. On behalf of all Students, Acroknights, Faculty & Staff alike, we would like to thank you for all that you have done. You will never be forgotten! All that we are asking is for you to PLEASE stay at FA for a long time. You will not regret it! With that said, it is the Annual Staffs' privilege and pleasure to dedicate the 2002-2003 FA Yearbook to you, Mr. Craig Johnson.



Principal's Message

Mr. James F. Robertson, IV



Dear Students,

It has been my pleasure to serve you, the students of Fletcher Academy, this year. As you flip through this annual, memories will flood your mind of the various activities you have experienced throughout this great school year. Years from now, although the memories may not be as vivid, you will be reminded of the times and events at Fletcher. I challenge you to evaluate your Christian walk each time you pick up this book. It is my desire and prayer that through the years you will continue to grow closer to Him, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Sincerely,

James F. Robertson, IV

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*Why does a flamingo stand on one leg?
answer on page 128...*



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Special Thanks to our Yearbook Sponsors, Mr. Randy Cox & Ms. Christy Yingling.



The Editor's Message

Andrew Shaw

Dear Everybody,

Sorry guys but Mr. Cox and the folks over at Jostens would not let me hand write this thing! Now you guys actually have to read this.....

I never really pictured myself being the *Yearbook Editor* this year. One thing led to another however, and all of the sudden....**BANG!!!!!!** I had another school office & I had the job of making this book look awesome. Some new things have been introduced into our annual this year, including the fact that this is our first full color annual! I hope you enjoy looking/reading through all the pages (and if you don't like them....join the annual staff next year). The staff has worked hard, and although I am somewhat biased (being I am the editor) I think all of our hard work paid off and it definitely shows throughout this yearbook!

Before I close, I would like to thank Rachel (the Editor of GCA's yearbook) and every one at the Leadership Conference this past fall for all the good ideas. Also be sure to check out the Advertisements in the back of the yearbook, for they are the only reason our yearbook was able to be full color this year.

I hope that everyone has an awesome summer & if you are coming back to Fletcher, I know that you are going to have a great next year!

God Bless,

Andrew Shaw

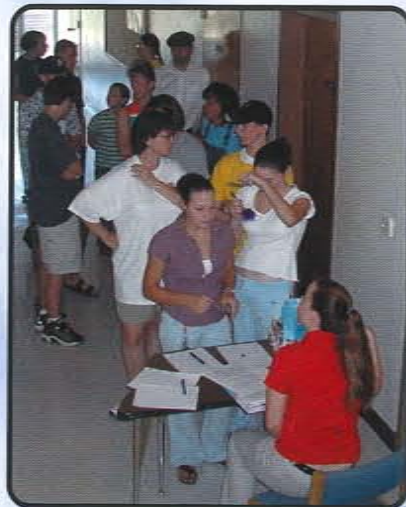
The old Webmaster wuz here



REGISTRATION

On August 11, Fletcher Academy was once again host of the event that officially ends summer, REGISTRATION. For some of us, it was the same old thing. For others, a totally new experience. Students signed up for electives, got their class schedules, job assignment, locker number, books, went through finances, participated in handshake, and met with the principal - SO MUCH TO DO!!! Registration was the main event that started everything off for the '02-'03 school year(including this annual). No one knew what lay ahead in the upcoming year, but in the end, what a great school year it has been.

Andrew Shaw



SA Handshake

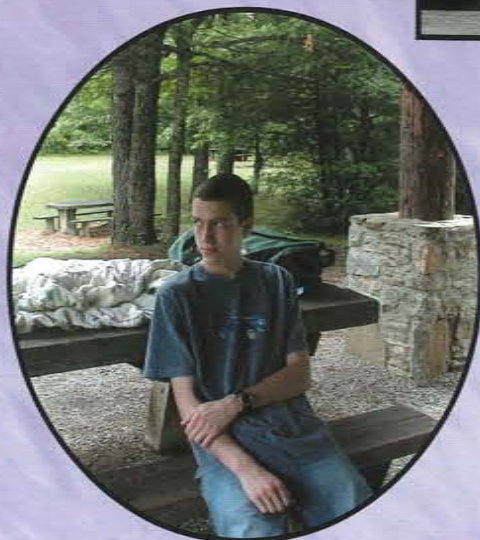


The SA Handshake is a tradition at Fletcher Academy in which returning students are able to meet and greet new students. Not only did the students shake everyone's hand, but they also had fun participating in interactive games. Handshake helps students socialize, make new friends, rekindle old friendships, and most importantly MEET ALL OF THEIR NEW TEACHERS.

Olivia Sawyers



PINK BEDS



On Saturday, August 17, 2002, the students of Fletcher Academy packed onto two buses and headed out for a day in the Pisgah National Forest. Students participated in song service, Sabbath School, and enjoyed a special sermon by Fletcher's Youth Pastor, Mr. Joe Ottinger. Satisfied with a picnic lunch, the students spent time interacting with each other, making music, or going on a hike. Overall the day was a good experience for both students and staff.

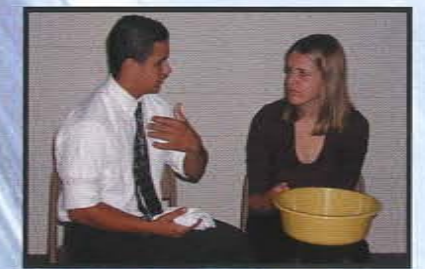
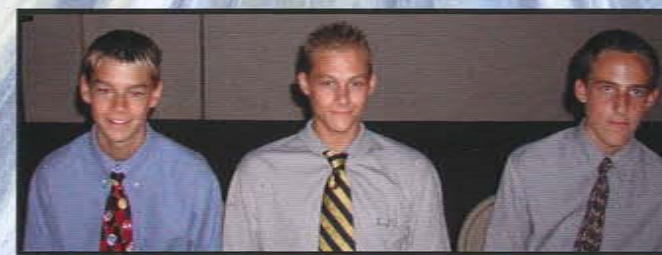
Naome Perry



Agape Feast

The Agape Feast, held on August 16, 2002, was a fun, interesting, serious, and thought-provoking time. We had the most wonderful food, which included all different types of fresh fruit and a wide variety of breads. Once everyone had finished eating, Mr. Gerst got up and shared a mini-sermon with us, talking about the ceremony of the Agape Feast and the foot washing. He then let us split into groups to go and wash each others' feet. At the end we all joined hands and had a group prayer. A person from every class, along with the deans, the principal and the chaplain, prayed. It was a wonderful experience.

Meghan Eckmann

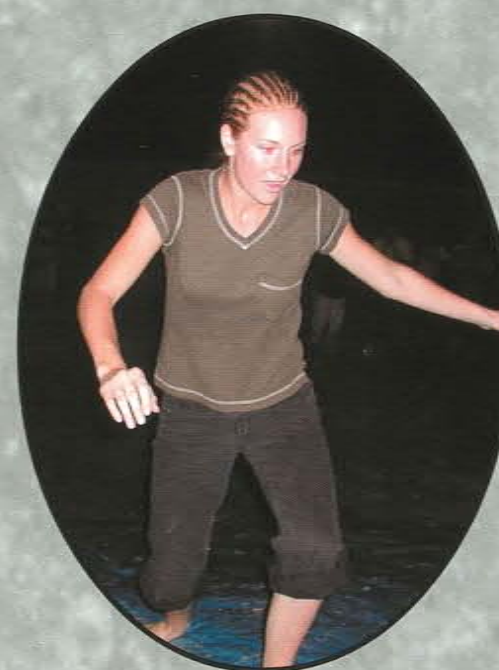
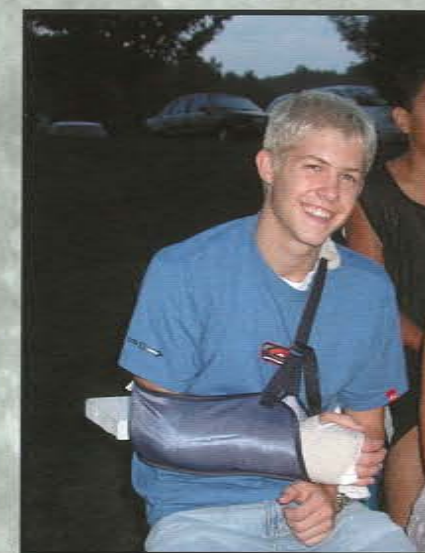


SA Anything Goes



Saturday night, August 24, 2002, Fletcher Academy students participated in "Anything Goes". There were 3 activities: the Car Push (with Mr. Robertson and Mr. Cox inside), Capture the flag, and last but not least, the challenge of the Slip & Slide. There was a lot of class spirit as classes competed against each other to win. Of course the legendary seniors were the champions, but it was a good experience for everybody involved.

Kristin Eszler, and Rebekah Nicholadies



SA Fall Picnic



Fall Picnic



The Fall Picnic, the grueling competition between classes, started on Wednesday, Sept. 4, with a difficult 5k run. The rest of the events took place the following Saturday and Sunday down at the track. The running events were on Saturday night as well as the ever popular tug-of-war. Sunday came starting with worship followed by games of class on class football, football throw and the shotput. It was a long weekend of the best fun. Despite fierce competition, victories and defeats we all remained great friends.
Ellie Barker

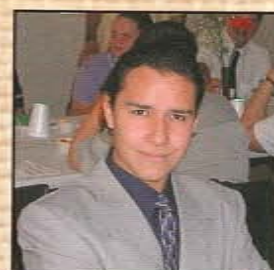
SCOREBOARD

Events	Names	Class	Time	Events	Names	Class	Time
5K-girls				Shot-put-girls			
1 st	Autumn Sweitek	Juniors	28.57	1 st	Lauren Sangrey	Seniors	24'5"
2 nd	Kerah Schwartz	Sophomores	30.00	2 nd	Olivia Sawyers	Sophomores	22'10"
3 rd	Becca Gallant	Freshmen	32.51	3 rd	Michelle Haus	Juniors	22'4"
4 th	Evelyn Moctezuma	Seniors	33.20	4 th	Erin Novak	Freshmen	22'2"
5K-guys				Shot-put-guys			
1 st	Cody McClung	Seniors	24.25	1 st	Cody McClung	Seniors	31'5"
2 nd	Matias Soto	Seniors	24.26	2 nd	Michael Sweigart	Juniors	29'11"
3 rd	Justin Martin	Sophomores	24.54	3 rd	Keith Wuttke	Sophomores	29'8"
4 th	Dylan McClung	Sophomores	25.40	4 th	Russell Worthen	Seniors	28'4"
50 yd dash-girls				Highjump-girls			
1 st	Staci Stevenson	Seniors	6.53	1 st	Amy Campbell	Juniors	4'1"
2 nd	Tasha Ericson	Sophomores	7.12	1 st	Erin Novak	Freshmen	4'1"
3 rd	Hannah Kingry	Juniors	7.35	2 nd	Staci Stevenson	Seniors	4'
4 th	Kerah Schwartz	Sophomores	7.36	3 rd	Sonia Garcia	Seniors	3'9"
50 yd dash-guys				3 rd	Kristen Eszler	Sophomores	3'9"
1 st	Preston Black	Seniors	5.91	Highjump-guys			
2 nd	Nathaniel Krupp	Juniors	5.94	1 st	Preston Black	Seniors	5'2"
3 rd	Jairo Torres	Seniors	5.95	2 nd	Jairo Torres	Seniors	5'1"
4 th	Dylan McClung	Sophomores	6.55	3 rd	Allen Staggs	Sophomores	5'
100 yd dash-girls				4 th	Daniel Sossong	Freshmen	4'11"
1 st	Staci Stevenson	Seniors	12.96	4 th	Billy Freck	Freshmen	4'11"
2 nd	Tasha Ericson	Sophomores	14.22	Flagball-girls			
3 rd	Kerah Schwartz	Sophomores	14.24	1 st	Seniors		
4 th	Emily Townsend	Juniors	14.37	2 nd	Juniors		
100 yd dash-guys				3 rd	Sophomores		
1 st	Preston Black	Seniors	10.77*	4 th	Freshmen		
2 nd	Matias Soto	Seniors	11.22	Flagball-guys			
3 rd	Andrew Aguila	Freshmen	11.90	1 st	Juniors		
4 th	Nathaniel Krupp	Juniors	12.10	2 nd	Sophomores		
Mile-girls				3 rd	Seniors		
1 st	Diana Lifford	Juniors	7.35	4 th	Freshmen		
2 nd	Kristin Starr	Freshmen	7.42	Final Scores			
3 rd	Kerah Schwartz	Sophomores	7.54	1 st	Seniors	257 points	
4 th	Evelyn Moctezuma	Seniors	8.10	2 nd	Juniors	157 points	
Mile-guys				3 rd	Sophomores	136 points	
1 st	Cody McClung	Seniors	5.56	4 th	Freshmen	96 points	
2 nd	David Hernandez	Sophomores	6.00				
3 rd	John Boehmer	Juniors	6.21				
4 th	Josh Frock	Juniors	6.24				
440 dash-girls							
1 st	Staci Stevenson	Seniors	1.22.20				
2 nd	Kristin Starr	Freshmen	1.24.26				
3 rd	Autumn Swiatek	Juniors	1.25.51				
4 th	Kristin Gregory	Juniors	unavailable				
440 dash-guys							
1 st	Matias Soto	Seniors	1.02.31				
2 nd	Jairo Torres	Seniors	1.05.94				
3 rd	Mark Jackson	Juniors	1.08.03				
4 th	Joseph Todd	Juniors	1.13.94				
Tug-of-War							
1 st	Juniors						
2 nd	Seniors						
3 rd	Sophomores						
4 th	Freshmen						
Football throw-girls							
1 st	Lauren Sangrey	Seniors	93'3"				
2 nd	Jessica Hughes	Sophomores	80'				
3 rd	Kristen Gregory	Juniors	76'7"				
Football throw-guys							
1 st	Billy Freck	Freshmen	144'4"				
2 nd	Desmond Grey	Sophomores	137'1"				
3 rd	Mark Jackson	Juniors	130'6"				
4 th	Andy Carlson	Juniors	127'5"				

A "*" means a school record was broken by that individual

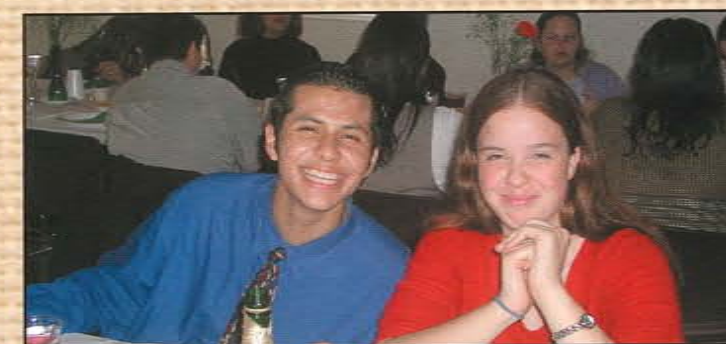


Italian Night



Italian Night is perhaps the best banquet of the entire year, because **THE FACULTY SERVE YOU.** Conveniently placed during **PARENTS WEEKEND**, both the Students and Parents got to enjoy this fantastic dinner held this year in the Cafeteria. Great food, great people, and great service (of course). What more could you expect?

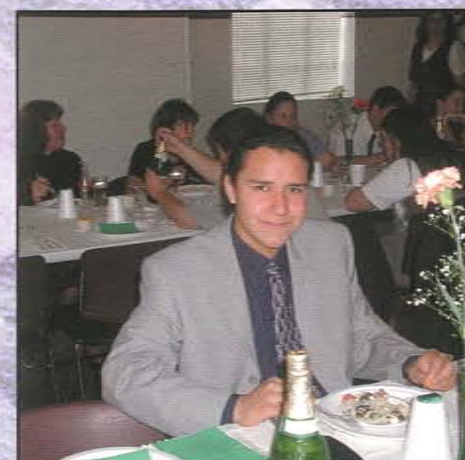
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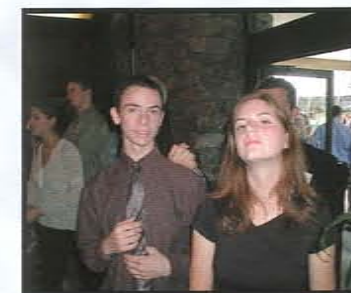
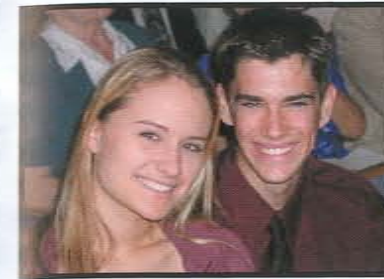
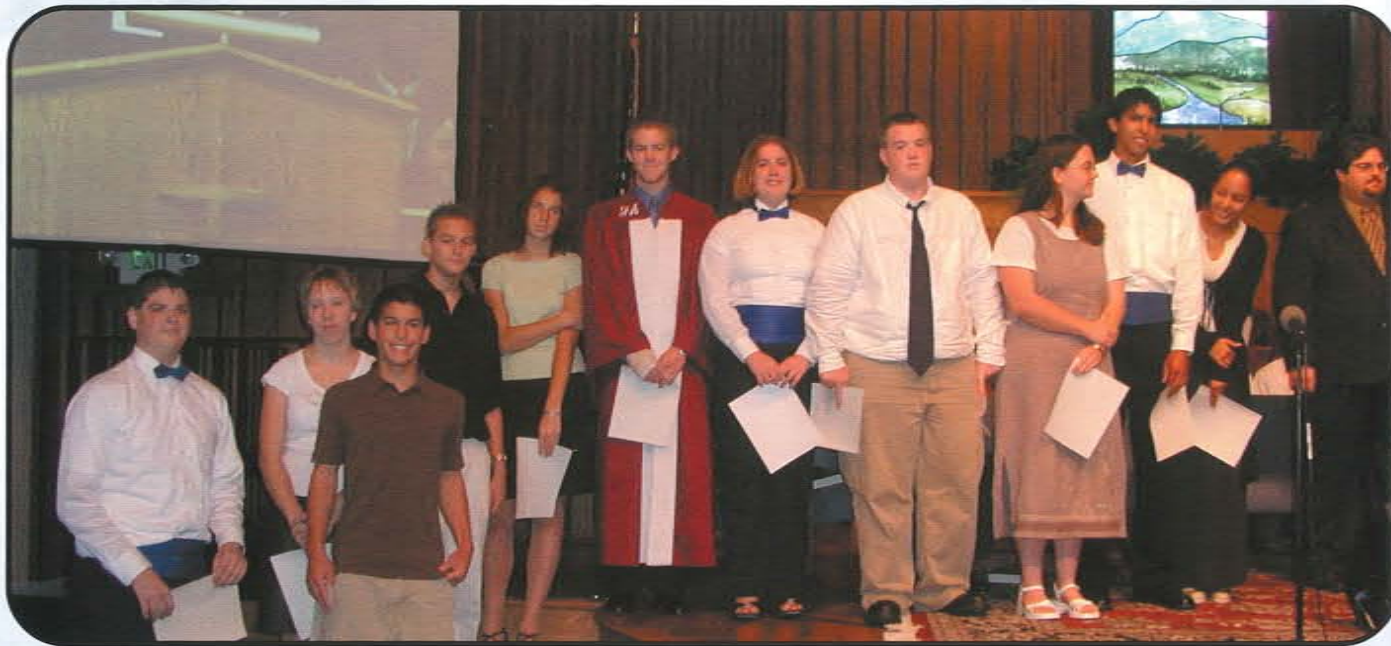
Parents Weekend

"Parents Weekend" can be described as just that, a weekend for the parents of all the students at Fletcher Academy. Parents had the opportunity to explore the campus, visit and talk with all of the teachers and if their son/daughter was a dorm student, talk with their FA Dorm Mom or Dad. Some students dislike this weekend because their parents actually get to find out first hand how they are doing in school. That is a small price to pay however, because they DO get to see their parents after 8 weeks of enrollment here at FA! It is safe to say that everyone after living in a dorm far away from home has to miss their parents at least a little, after all living at home does have its advantages.

Andrew Shaw



Alumni Weekend



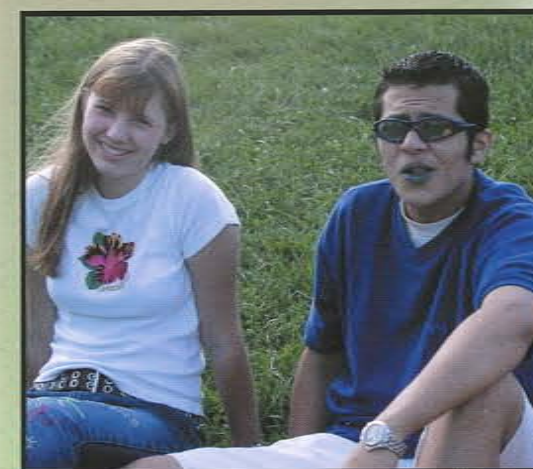
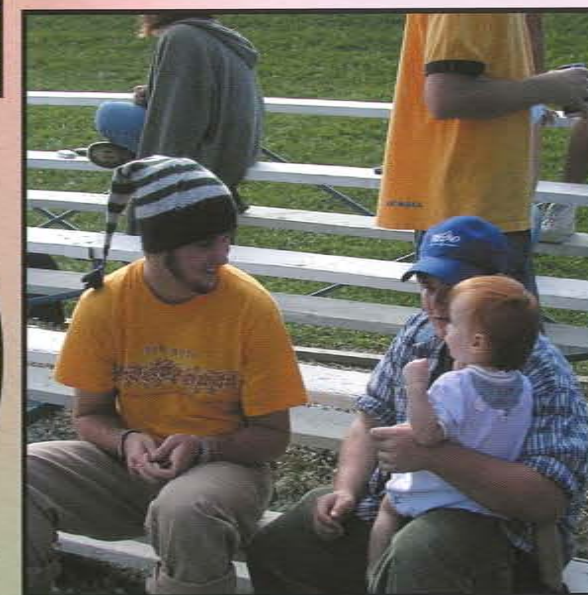
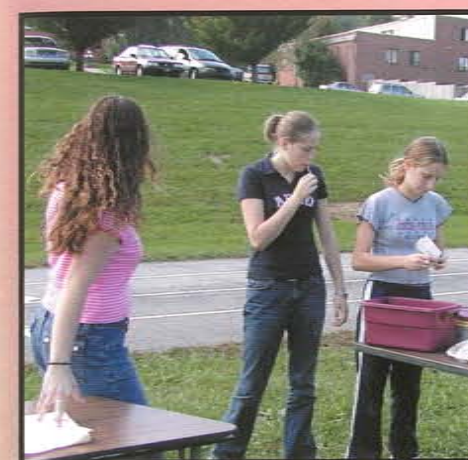
Alumni weekend is a time when all of the alumni who have graduated from Fletcher Academy come back and visit. It is an opportunity for alumni to see old faces and to be reminded of good memories. During the church service, Pauline Lowe along with Mr. Robertson presented scholarships from the alumni endowment funds to worthy students. After church alumni enjoyed a fellowship luncheon, and that evening there was an **alumni vs. students** football game. Brenda Jenks and the Cafeteria staff prepared an excellent meal for all alumni on Sunday morning.

Olivia Sawyers

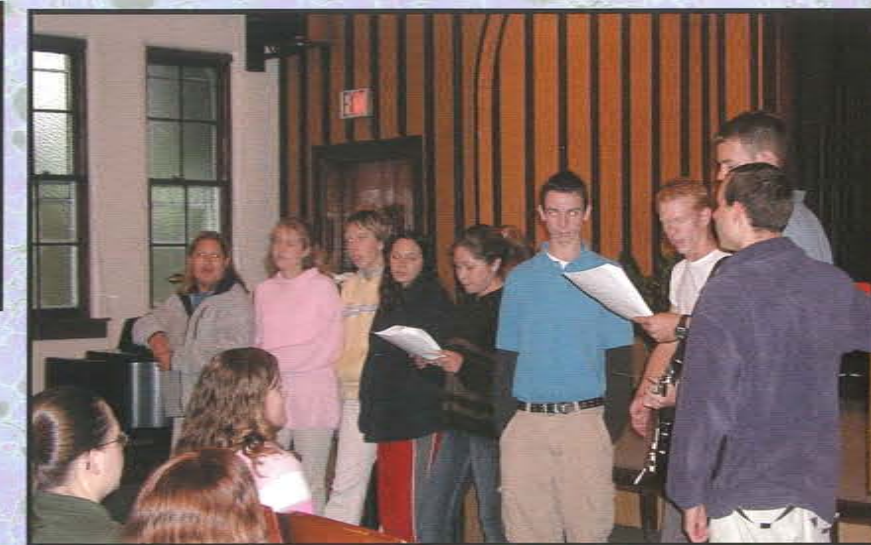
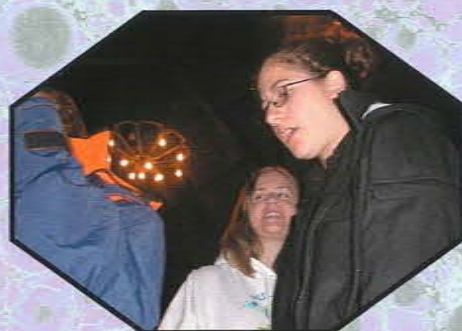
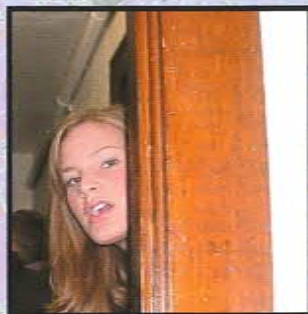
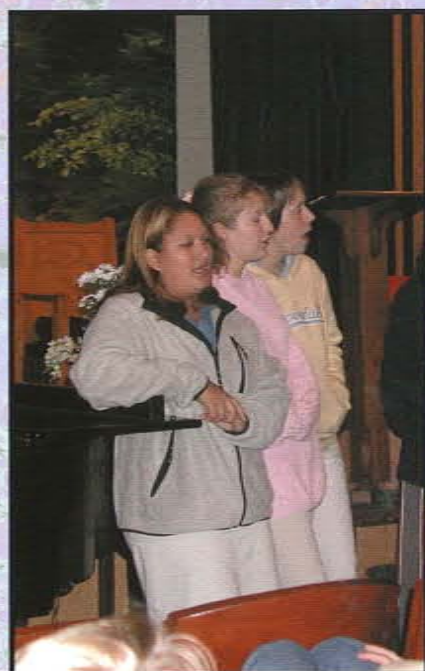
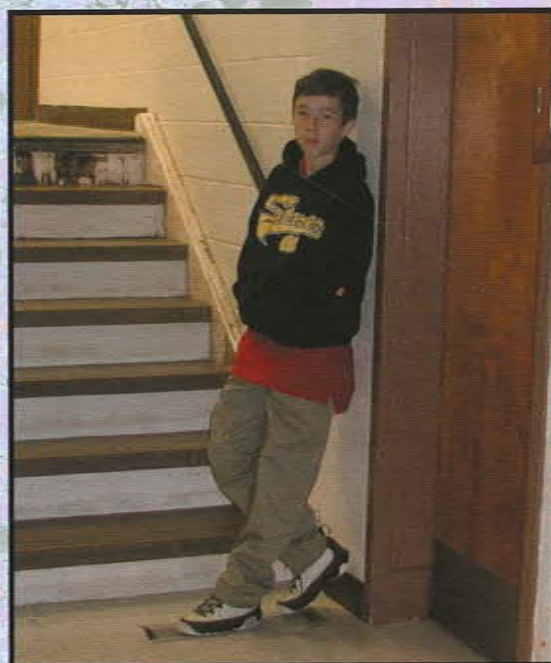
SA Fair

SA Fair is a mini-fair where students get together to socialize and play games. One of the most popular booths this year was "mandatory bonding" in which someone paid to have two people bonded by their wrists for a certain amount of time. Other activities include jail, cake walk, pie throwing, and tag-a-senior. SA Fair gives students a chance to make money for their class and to enjoy time with their friends.

Olivia Sawyers



week of prayer



Week of Prayer is a time of bonding between the students of Fletcher Academy and Jesus Christ. This year, Mr. Jason Dunkel, Admissions Adviser at SAU was our speaker for this week-long spiritual event. Although afternoon students did have to get up alot earlier for the meetings, I'm sure everyone will say that it was worth the sacrifice.

Andrew Shaw

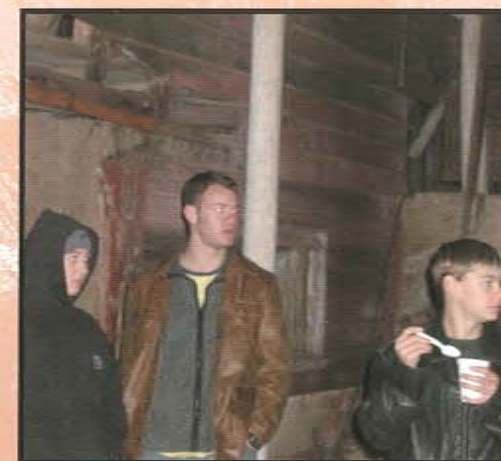


SA Harvest Party

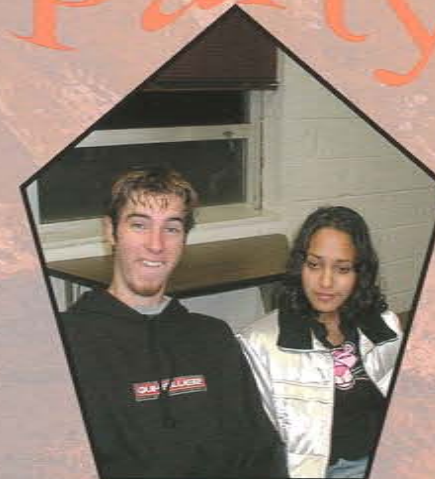


On November 2, the Student Association sponsored the annual Harvest Party. This year's party was held at the barn. The theme was "American Heroes and Legends". Several activities like the class on class pie eating contest, best costume contest, and a dark, scary maze were set up inside the barn. The evening was concluded with the showing of "Monsters, Inc." in the assembly room.

Jeff Jacko and Justin Martin



SA Harvest Party

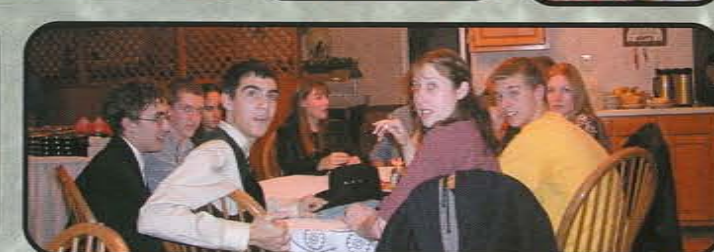
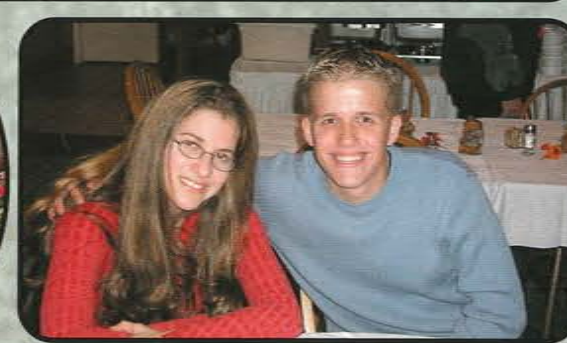
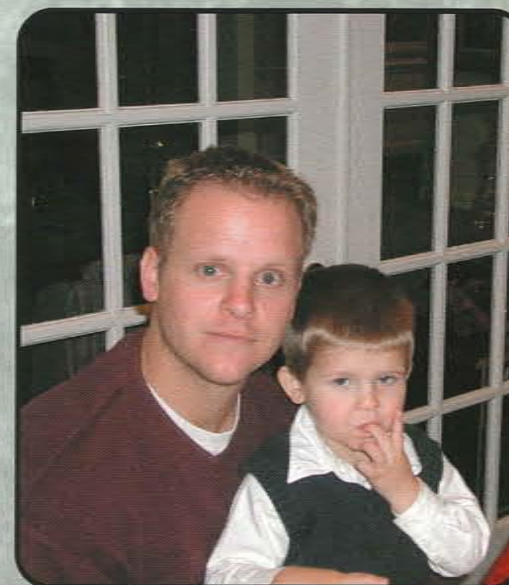
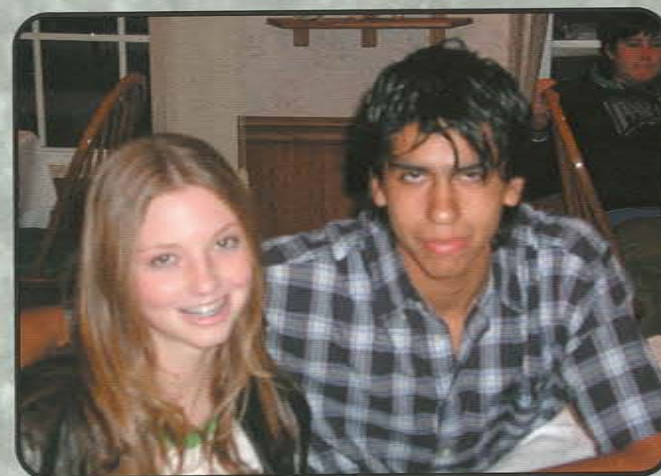
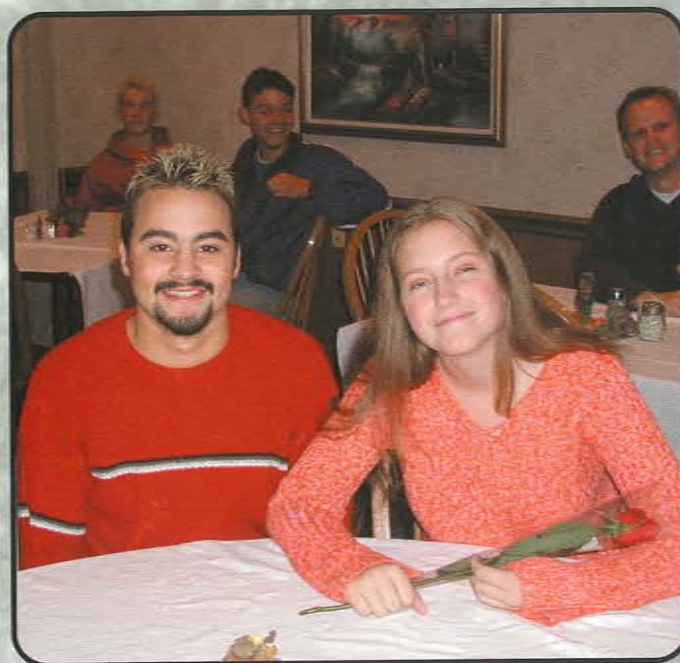


BOYS CLUB *Banquet*



On Sunday night, November 17, The Boys Club hosted their bi-annual Banquet at Fletcher Park Inn. This was the first banquet of the year, which brought all of the couples to the event. Attendees were treated to an all you can eat meal from Fazoli's. After the excellent meal, everyone headed over to the assembly room to watch the movie "Snow Dogs". Although it was extremely cold outside, everyone had a great time inside.

Andrew Shaw



Costa Rica

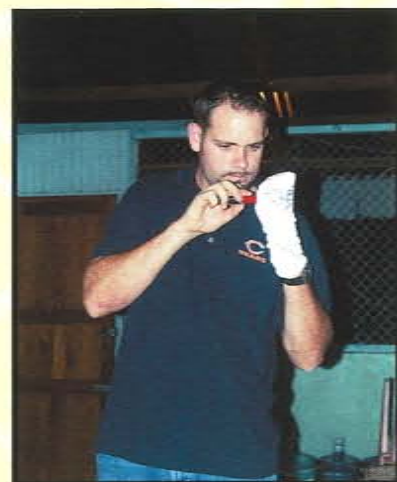
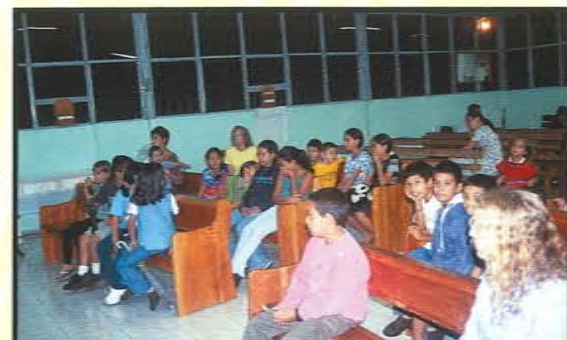
MISSION TRIP



This year's Mission trip to Costa Rica was both fun and exciting. The 25 members of our mission team left Asheville at 7:00AM November 21 and returned at midnight on December 2. During the short amount of time we were there, we were able to interact with the kids at VBS and paint their new high school building. The locals extended their hospitality to us by inviting us over to their houses. Some of them even prepared authentic Costa Rican meals for our group, which included a delicious Thanksgiving dinner. We all had a blast and loved the people and the country!

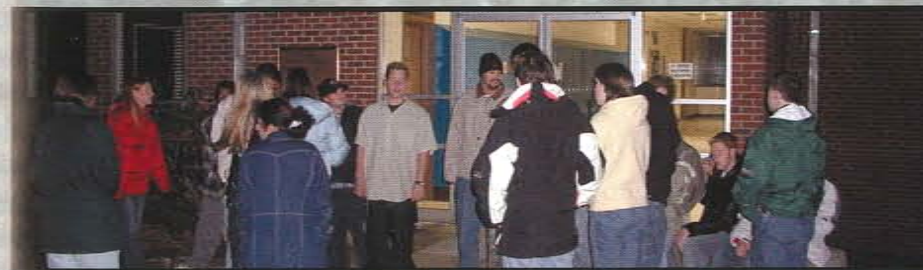
Olivia Sawyers





Costa Rica MISSION TRIP

The SA Christmas Tree Lighting



As a member of the Student Association, this was one of the events I was most looking forward to. It's nothing big, but in a sense, you are starting off the holiday season by lighting the Christmas tree. Getting all of the lights to work is always a pain, but IT ONLY HAPPENS ONCE A YEAR, so you live with it. Our tree lighting was special this year because snow had fallen recently, and that got everyone in the Christmas (and winter) spirit.

Andrew Shaw

OPEN HOUSE



The Girl's Dorm Open House is the one time that the guys of FA are cordially invited to visit the Girl's Dormitory. The girls spent many hours talking, planning, fighting and decorating to prepare for this very...ummm...special holiday event. Ms. George, along with the seniors, also took extra time out of their very busy schedules to make the dorm look extra special and Christmassy.

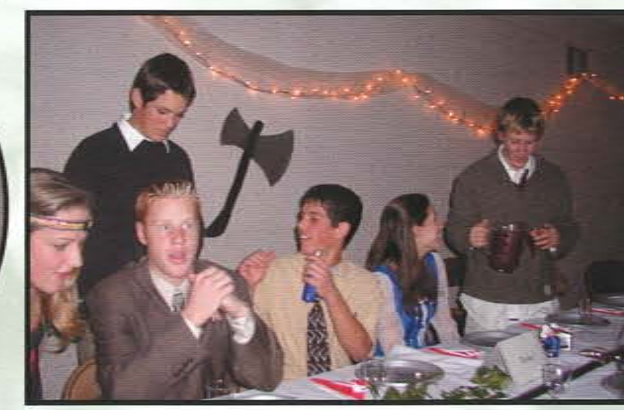
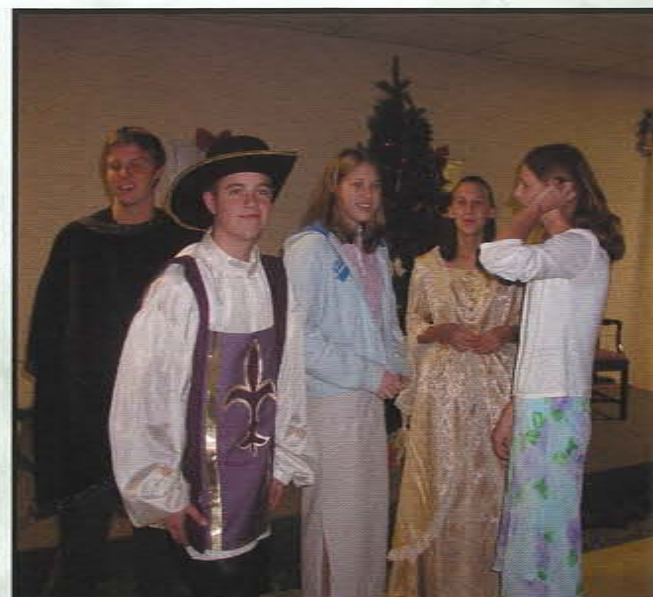
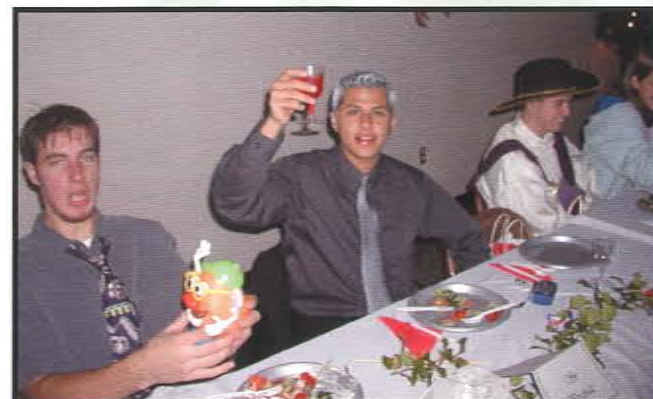
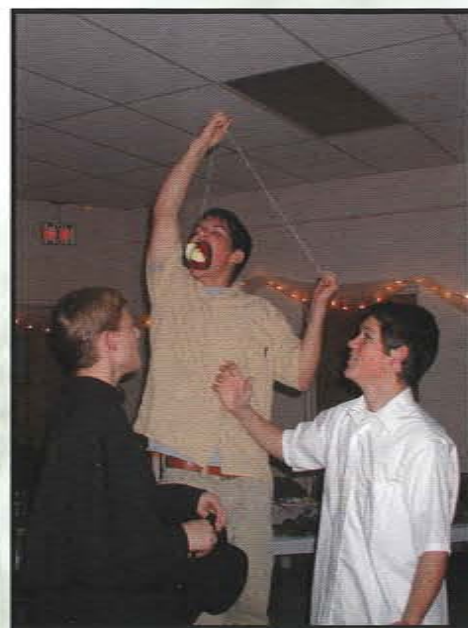
Christina Weitzel



The SA Christmas Banquet

The SA Christmas Banquet was our first "Holiday Banquet" in a long time. "A Night in King Arthur's Court" was the theme for the formal event and a "knightly" appearance was encouraged. SA officers Hannah & Megan planned the event and arranged cash prizes for awards like "Best Costumed Couple", "Best Costumed Male", and "Best Costumed Female". The food, games, and costumes were great, which all made for a very entertaining experience.

Andrew Shaw



Christmas Concert



This year's Christmas Concert was held in the Fletcher SDA Church, on a Friday evening. The Band, Choir, and 11th Hour each performed separately and joined together for the final three numbers. The students played, and sang many of the favorite Christmas songs, which reminded all of the true reason for Christmas, the birth of our savior. All those who attended received a blessing. Attendance at this year's concert surpassed any of the concerts in recent years.

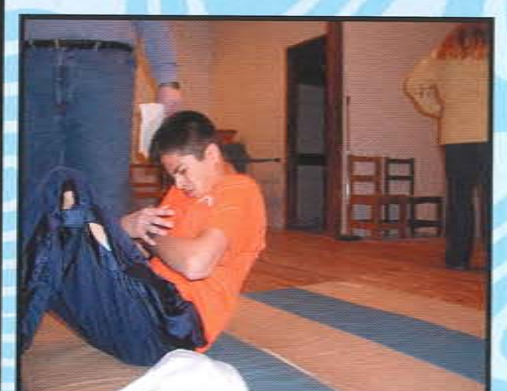
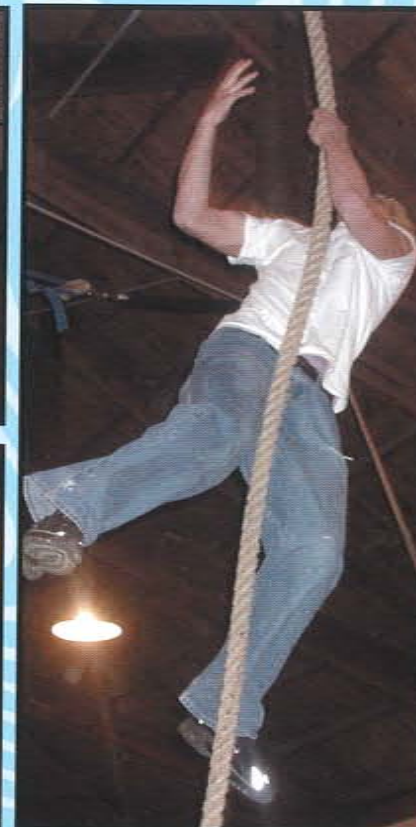
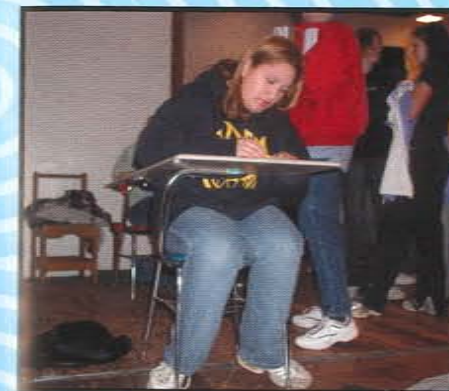
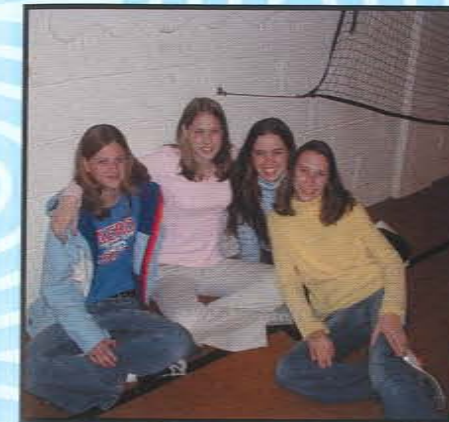
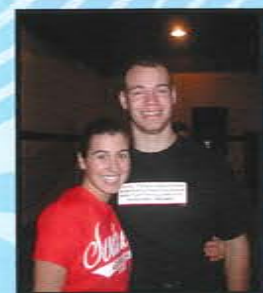
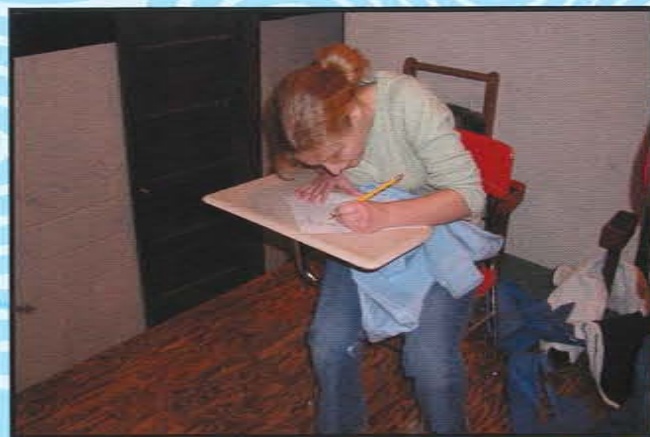


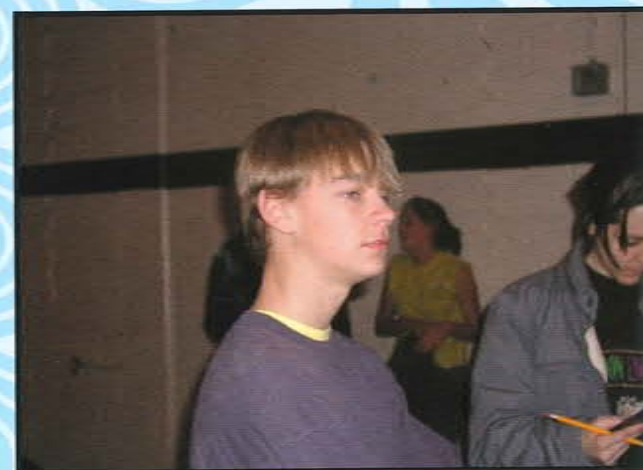
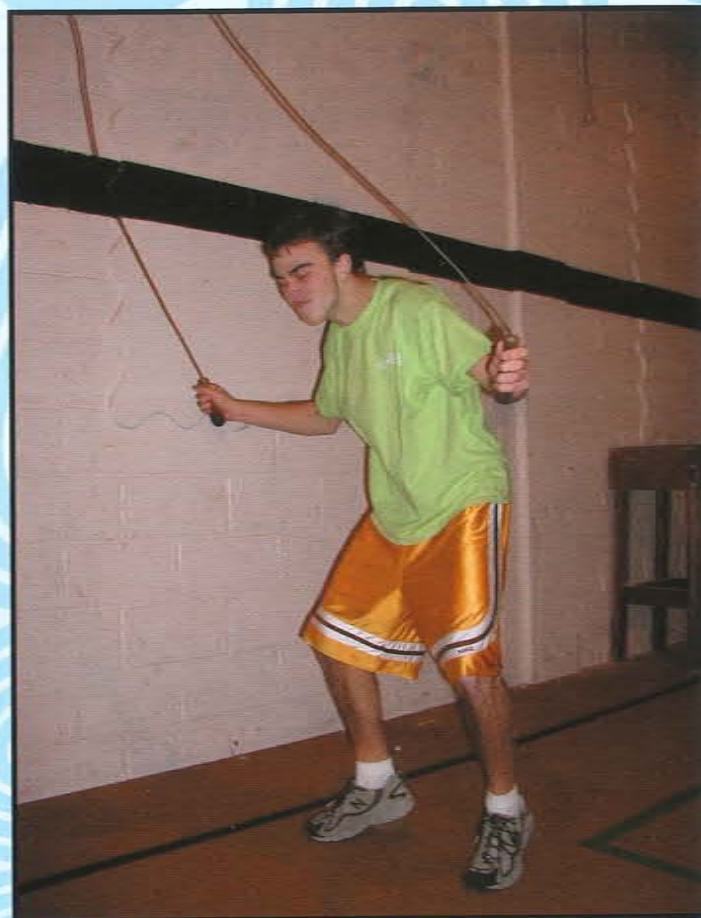
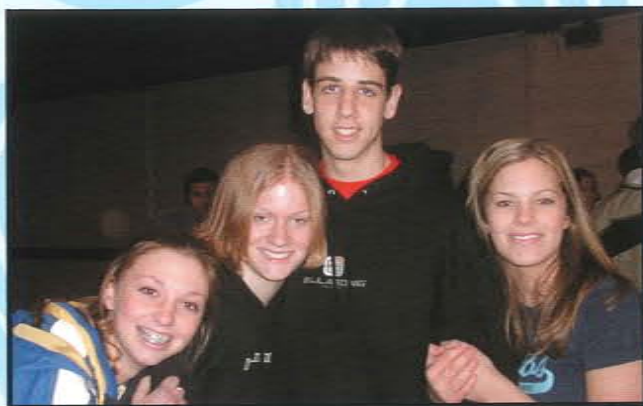
SA Winter Olympics



The SA Winter Olympics was a night of fun competition between the classes. It forced classes to work together as a team to finish the comprehensive relay in the fastest time. Activities included bench press, shuttle run, free throws, push-ups, sit-ups, pull-ups, math problems and other activities that challenged the students' physical abilities as well as their mental abilities. It was a blast and the outcome was not expected.

Olivia Sawyers





SA Winter Olympics

Scoreboard

RELAY RESULTS

1ST PLACE - CLASS OF 2006 - 47:09

2ND PLACE - CLASS OF 2003 - 55:24

3RD PLACE - CLASS OF 2005 - 57:60

4TH PLACE - CLASS OF 2004 - 60:25

Basket Ball Results

1st Place - Class of 2003

2nd Place - Class of 2004

3rd Place - Class of 2005

4th Place - Class of 2006

Fletcher Academy Staff



Fletcher Park Inn



Homestead Market/Deli & Bakery



Grounds/Maintenance



Cafeteria



Accounting

Even though our bosses may not be our best friend sometimes, we have to give them credit for teaching us how to work well. After we leave Fletcher, we will have invaluable experience under our belts that can only be credited to the staff at Fletcher Academy.

Andrew Shaw

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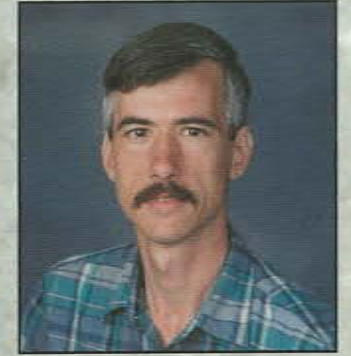
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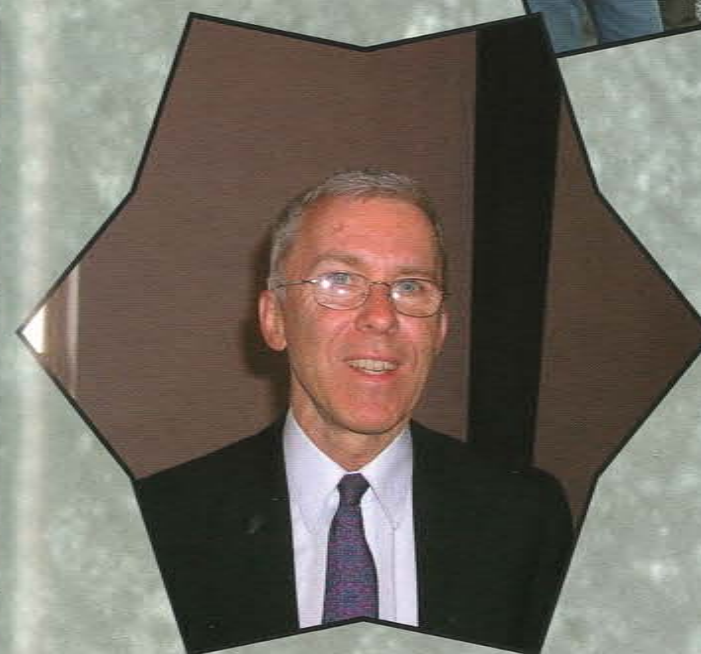
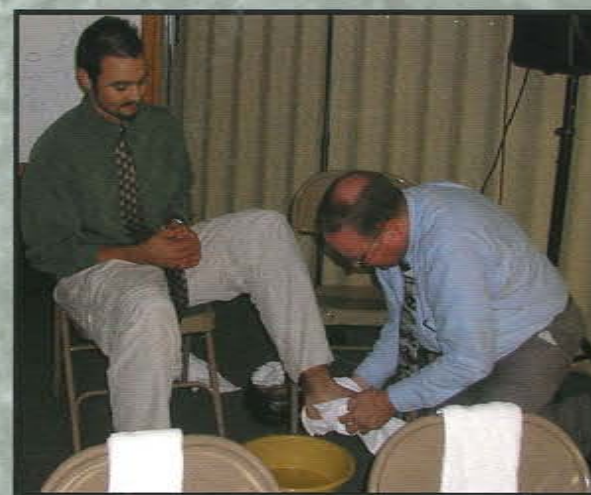
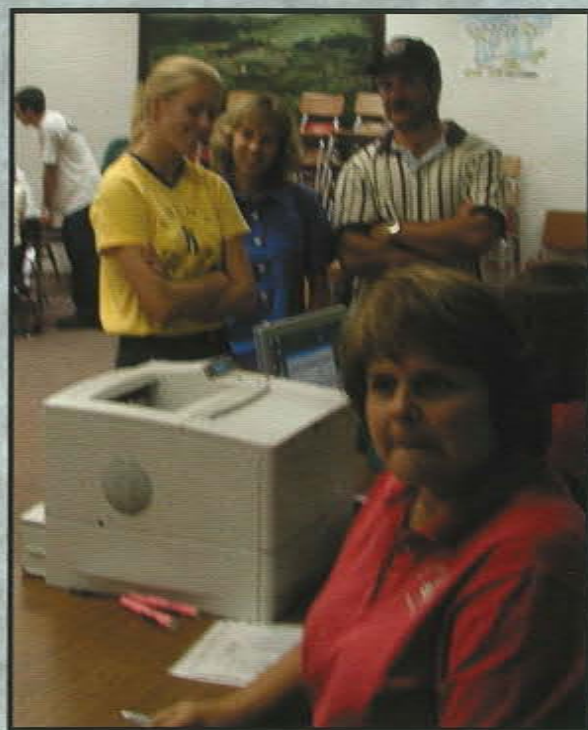


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Class of 2006



Andrew Aguila



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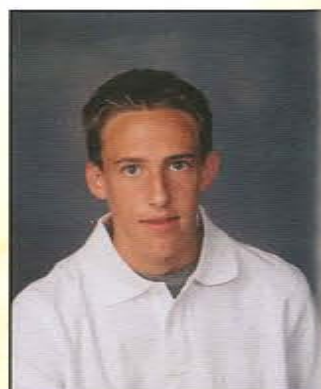
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Ryan Eckmann



Andrew Eszler



Billy Freck



Rebecca Gallant



Casey Herbert



Josh Kingry



Russel Lewis



James Luper



Geoff Lynes



Freshmen Officers

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Erin Novak



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Pauline Sfalanga



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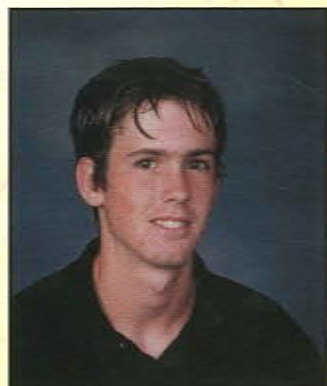
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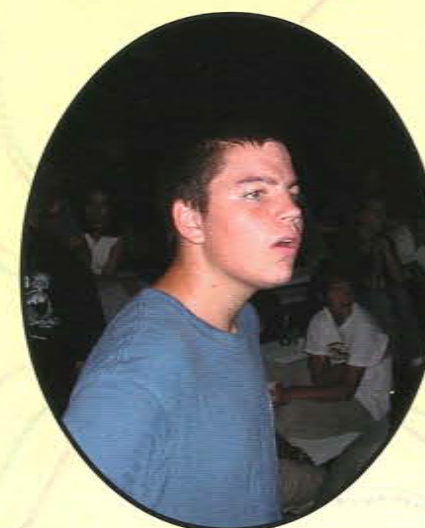
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Freshmen class MUGSHOTS



Class of 2005



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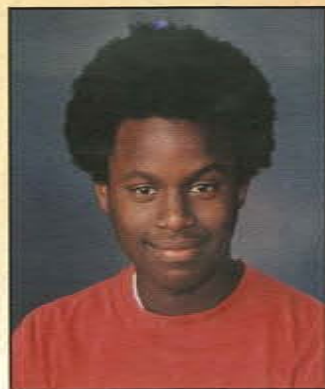
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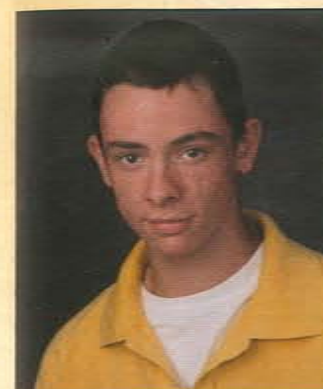
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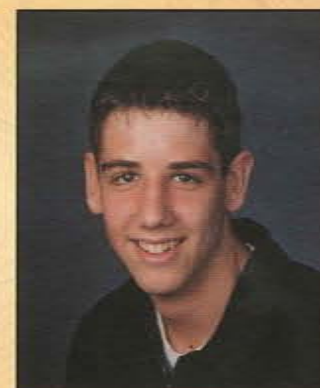
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Jeff Owen



Jacqui Pendleton



Megan Sauve



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 Tasha Ericson - SA Representative



Olivia Sawyers



Kerah Schwarz



Andrew Shaw



Allen Staggs



Katie Stier



Christina Weitzel



Keith Wuttke



Class of 2005



Class of 2004



Jessica Aguila



Josh Archer



Ellie Barker



Michael Blevins



John Boehmer



Amy Campbell



Eric Carithers



Andy Carlson



Meghan Eckmann



Josh Frock



Kristen Gregory



Matt Haney



Darus Henson



Markos Hetzer



Ryan Higgins



Michael Jacko



Mark Jackson



Hannah Kingry



Nathaniel Krupp



Diana Lifford



Holly Livingston



Jonathan Mendoza



Michelle Naumann



Whitney Ortiz



Chris Pendleton



Carissa Robinson



Tim Robinson



Reanna Rowan



Jimmy Rowe



Michelle Schewtschenko



Matt Seefong



Juliet Shannon

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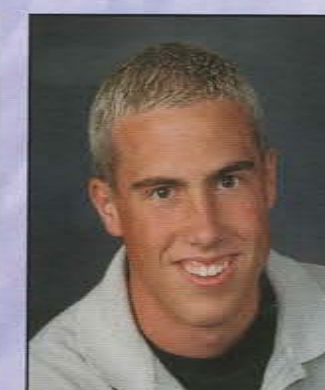
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Jason Silva



Aaron Smith



Michael Sweigart



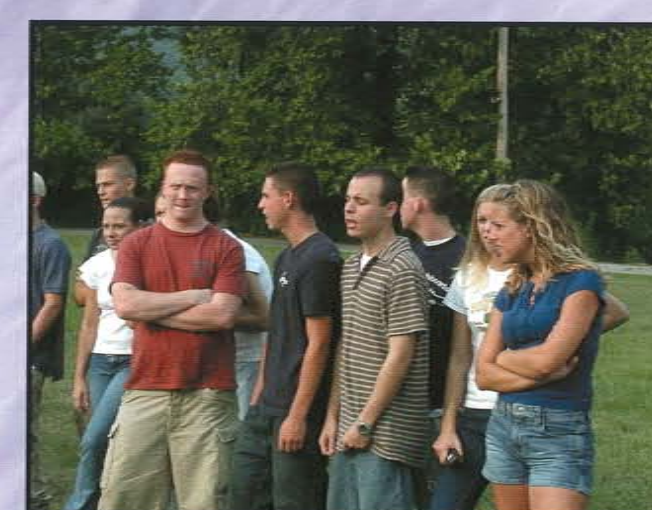
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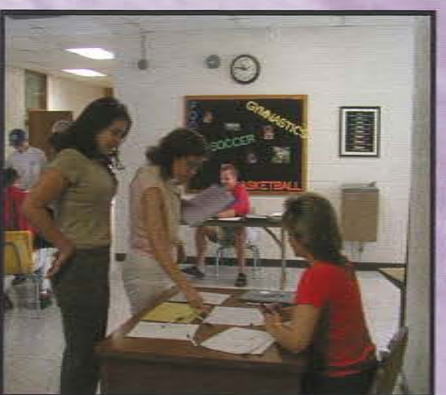
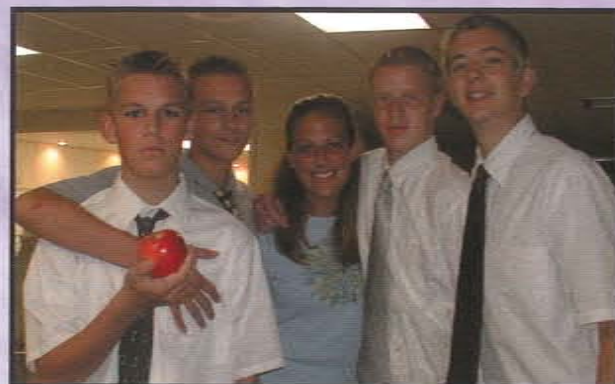


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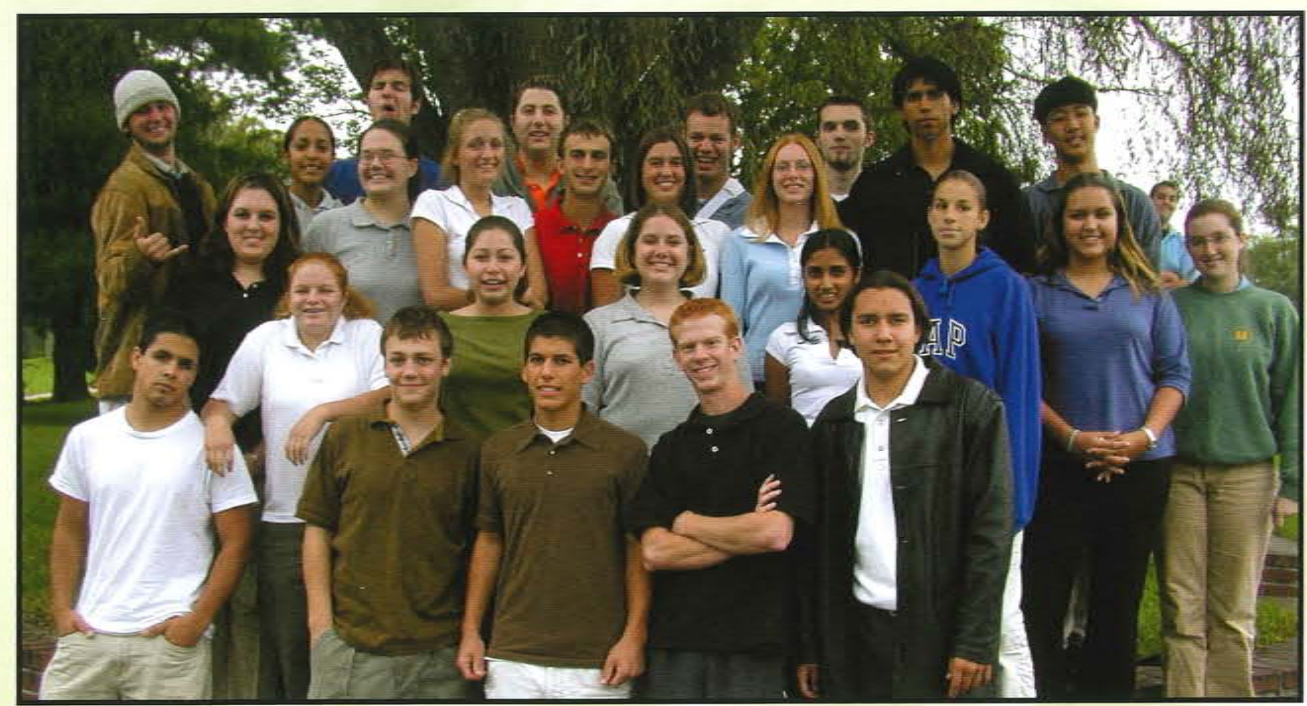


Jonathan Tryon





Class of 2003



Senior Class Officers

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 Lauren Sangrey - Vice President
 Staci Stevenson - Secretary
 Diana Cox - Treasurer

Naome Perry - Pastorette
 Matias Soto - Parliamentarian
 Cody McClung - SA Representative
 Mia Pandit - SA Representative



Jonathan Bae



Preston Black



Robbie Eadie



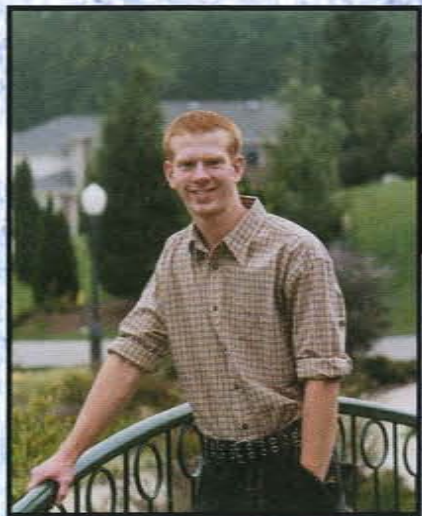
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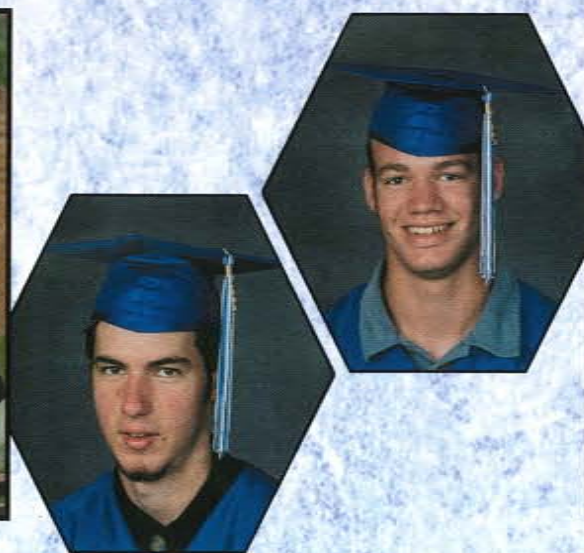
Jaime Cooper



Diana Cox



Jared Kay



Cody McClung



Senior



On Friday, August 30, the Class of 2003 packed up and set out for a retreat to Cohutta Springs. The main focus was to strengthen our bonds with one another and with God. We endured three days of wilderness living, pitching our tents to protect ourselves from the curious raccoons. We participated in several activities that tested our skills of quick thinking, agility, and teamwork.



Survival

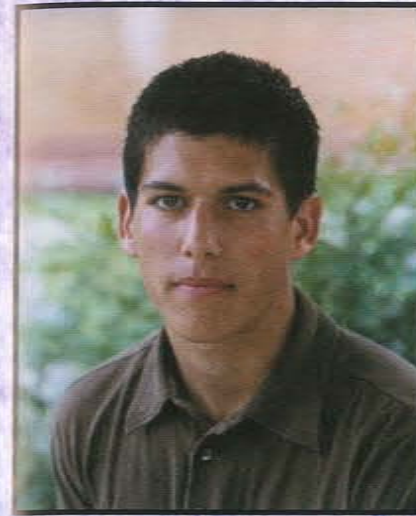




Evelyn Moctezuma



Santos Ortiz



Brian Rowe



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Mia Pandit



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Naome Perry



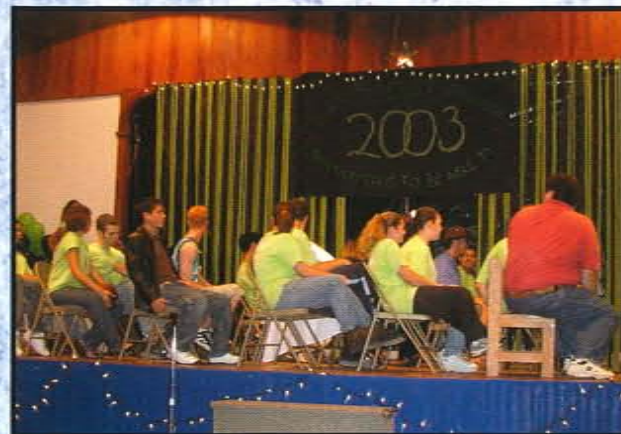
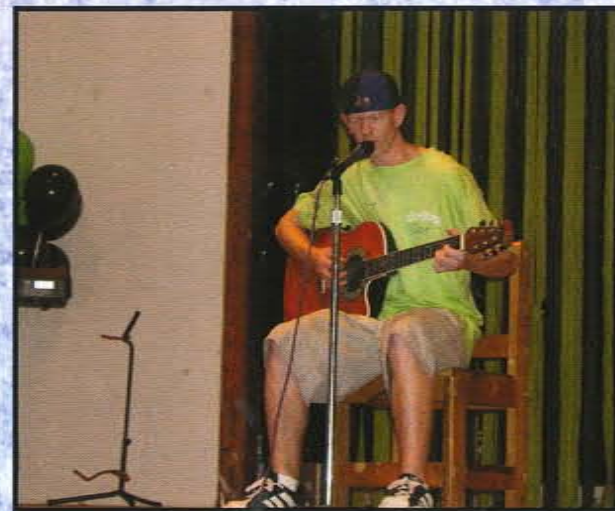
Larissa Sterner



Staci Stevenson

Senior Presentation

Family, friends, and fellow students gathered together on Saturday night, September 28, to watch the Senior Presentation of the Class of 2003. The evening started off with vespers. Later the officers ran up to the gym with a fire truck blaring its horn as they made their grand entrance. Then, starting with the class officers, Mr. Robertson introduced the individual class members. The class greeted the audience in French, Korean, Spanish, and English. Sonia and Mia sang a duet, followed by a trumpet duo by Matias and Jairo, a piano solo by Larissa, and a song Jamie Cooper wrote for the class. As the night went on, members from the class performed a skit entitled "Dr. Bluebonnet." Patients with various injuries and illnesses came into a doctor's office and lay down on the floor. Dr. Bluebonnet, played by Cody McClung, then rolled over them to make fun of Bluebonnet Butter's slogan "Everything's better with Bluebonnet on it!" Later in the evening the class performed a skit depicting Mr. Robertson and Mr. Watson on an airplane heading to Aruba ten years from now. By coincidence, the Class of 2003 had decided to go to Aruba for a reunion and were taking the same plane. When Mr. Robertson and Mr. Watson realized that the entire class was on the plane, they panicked and asked to get off. A much larger panic followed when the passengers heard Cody and Preston introduce themselves over the intercom as the pilots. Everyone exited as fast as they could.





Missy Stokes



Autumn Swiatek



Justin Wall



Melissa Watson



Russell Worthen



12 Year Seniors

Front Row: *Missy Stokes, Staci Stevenson*

Back Row: *Jonathan Bae, Russell Worthen, Jamie Cooper*



4 Year Seniors

Front Row: *Brian Rowe, Jamie Cooper*

2nd Row: *Sonia Garcia, Kelly Britton, Diana Cox, Laura Pearman*

3rd Row: *Melissa Watson, Missy Stokes, Preston Black, Staci Stevenson, Jonathan Bae*

Back Row: *Jared Kay, Russell Worthen, Cody McClung, Jeff Jacko*



Jonathan Bae 1st



Jamie Cooper 1st



Staci Stevenson 1st



Missy Stokes 1st



Russell Worthen 1st



Jonathan Bae



Jamie Cooper



Staci Stevenson



Missy Stokes



Russell Worthen



Preston Black 2nd



Laura Pearman 2nd



Diana Cox 3rd



Jeff Jacko 4th



Brian Rowe 6th



Preston Black



Laura Pearman



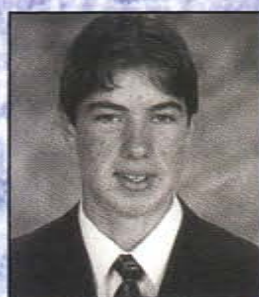
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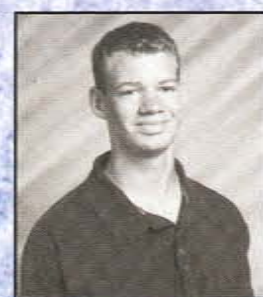
Jared Kay 7th



Kelly Britton 9th



Sonia Garcia 9th



Cody McClung 9th



Melissa Watson 9th



Jared Kay



Kelly Britton



Sonia Garcia



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Matias Soto 10th



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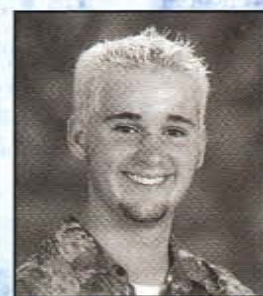
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Lauren Sangrey 11th



Justin Wall 11th



Autumn Swiatek 12th



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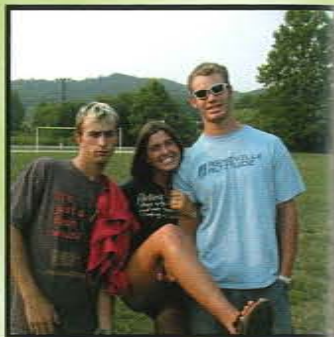
Autumn Swiatek

As they were when they came to Fletcher



As they are today

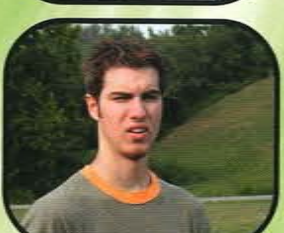




senior CLASS OF 2003 candid



Here is some space for the "special" senior autographs.....



Senior Autographs



acts 2

DRAMA TEAM



Our Chaplain, Mr. Craig Gerst, directs Fletcher Academy's drama team, ACTS 2. Although it was only his first year with the team, Mr. Gerst brought aboard tons of experience that transformed the drama team into something totally different than what it was last year. Performing at many different cities and venues around the south, we were able to reach audiences that we had never traveled to before. As members of a spiritual group on campus, we all knew that by being on ACTS 2, we were representing Jesus in everything that we did and performed. Being able to do something and impress that person enough to come to your school is one thing. Bringing someone to Jesus through a collection of skits is another, and in the end is a much bigger payoff. Through my eyes, I think that we have been very successful in what we have done. Hopefully everyone who had the opportunity to watch a performance was blessed as much as we were while performing them.

Andrew Shaw

2002-2003 Acts 2 Drama Team Members

Ellie Barker

Meghan Eckmann

Andrew Eszler

Kristin Eszler

David Hernandez

Jared Kay

Ania Martinez

Dana Molina

Naome Perry

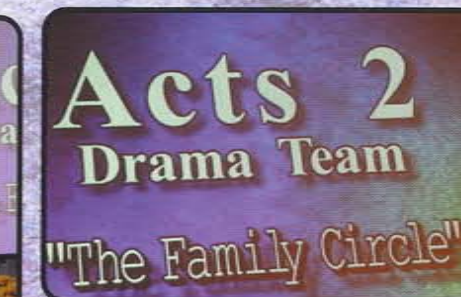
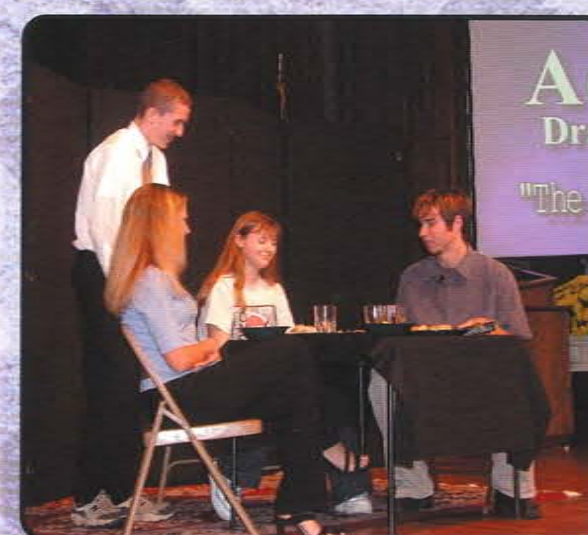
Andrew Shaw

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Christina Weitzel



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BAND



Flute

Diana Cox
Rebekah Nicholaides
Casey Herbert

Clarinet

Autumn Swiatek
Alto Saxophone
Jonathan Mendoza

Community

Gordon Brown, Nick Cox, Lori Cox

Baritone Saxophone

Michael Sweigart

Trumpet

Andy Carlson
Jairo Torres

Baritone

Matias Soto

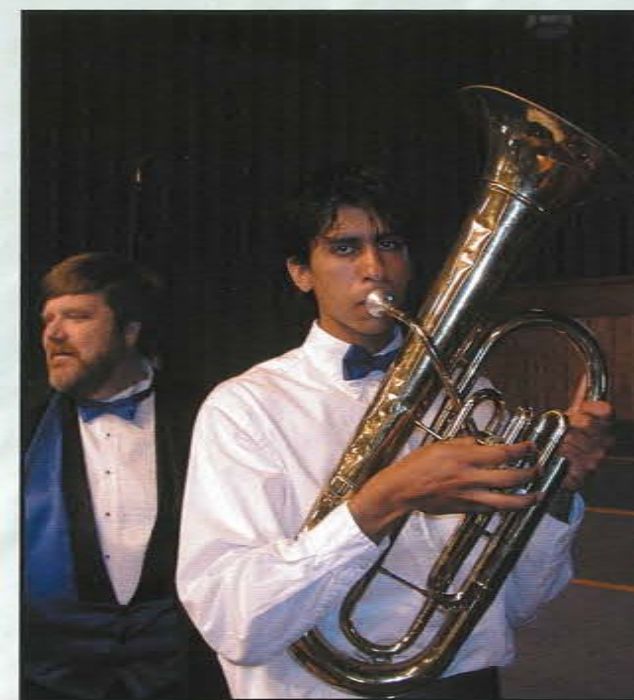
Percussion

Diana Lifford
Evelyn Moctezuma



A special thanks to Mr. Brown for 50 years involvement with Fletcher Academy's music program. Mr. Brown has either directed or played in the band and orchestra since he came to Fletcher in 1952. Thank you for your dedication. You are a true inspiration to all who have played or will play in the future.

Randy Cox



FAITH Ministries



Leaders

Jessica Aguila - Student Association

Naome Perry - Senior Class

Amy Campbell - Junior Class

Kristin Eszler - Sophomore Class

Laura Tryon - Freshmen Class

Craig Gerst - FA Chaplain



FAITH Ministries is the core spiritual "group" of the school. FAITH Ministries is made up of the four class pastors, the SA pastor, and the chaplain. Together this group puts together vespers, occasional Sabbath School worships, prayer vigils, caroling trips, and many other Christ-centered activities for the student body. Occasionally they will have a free doughnut/hot chocolate day during the winter to help the students make it through that cold day.

But that's not all that they help with. Every semester each pastor is in charge of a prayer and worship thought for an assembly. This not only helps them to get up in front of their peers and spread God's Word, but it helps them develop public speaking skills.

This year most of the group went on the leadership conference and learned many new and different ways of spreading God's Word through leadership. They learned that God might have put them in that position because He knew they would be excellent for His work.

This group has many goals to reach and knows that they can only do it with God's help. We are working together to build faith and create a strong spiritual atmosphere at Fletcher Academy.

FAITH....Fletcher Academy Inching Towards Heaven!!
Jessica Aguila



Choir



Choir Members

Michael Acary - Andrew Aguila - Jessica Aguila - Aime Arroyo - John Boehmer - Kelly Britton - Michael Britton
 Megan Brown - Amy Campbell - Eric Carithers - Andrew Carlson - James Cooper - Tasha Ericson - Sonia Garcia
 Desmond Gray - Kristen Gregory - David Hernandez - Merrie Hildebrand - Nathaniel Krupp - Russel Lewis
 Diana Lifford - Ania Martinez - Dylan McClung - Jonathan Mendoza - Evelyn Moctezuma - Dana Molina
 Rebekah Nicholaides - Erin Novak - Santos Ortiz - Whitney Ortiz - Jeffrey Owen - Mia Pandit - Laura Pearman
 Carissa Robinson - Timothy Robinson - Reanna Rowan - Megan Sauve - Kerah Schwartz - Matthew Seefong
 Pauline Sfalanga - Juliet Shannon - Jason Silva - Kristin Starr - Joseph Todd - Jairo Torres - Emily Townsend
 Jonathan Tryon - Laura Tryon - Christina Weitzel - Russell Worthen - Keith Wuttke



The 11th Hour Members

Michael Acary - Aime Arroyo - John Boehmer - Sonia Garcia
 Diana Lifford - Jonathan Mendoza - Dana Molina - Rebekah Nicholaides
 Mia Pandit - Jason Silva - Jonathan Tryon - Christina Weitzel - Russell Worthen



What a rookie year this has been for me! To be quite honest, the choir members have taught me as much as I have taught them. For instance, don't say "just one more time" unless you really mean "just one more time". I have also learned that students love to test their boundaries and if you give an inch the boundary is destroyed! Another discovery for me this year was that ALTOIDS work wonders in replacing gum chewing during church. There is no doubt that there is much more to learn but what a joy and privilege it has been so far.



On another "note" there have been plenty of wonderful surprises. For instance, the choir students that gave the most trouble actually have big hearts. The shy and quiet students are actually extremely knowledgeable and are a lot of fun to work with. The outgoing, boisterous students are exceptionally talented. All together, we have a wonderful choir made up of big-hearted, exceptionally-talented, and extremely knowledgeable students! If they would only sing out so that everyone else could enjoy them!



To all of you Seniors, I have discovered the secret to success and happiness. God has given everyone of you talents to be used for His will and glory. If you develop those talents and use them for His purpose and give Him complete control of your life, you will be extremely successful, happy, and fulfilled beyond your wildest imaginings. Nothing else will do that for you or even come close.

Well, it's hard to believe this year is almost at an end and another school year will soon be upon us. To all of the choir members who will be leaving, please come back and visit so we can sing together "just one more time!"

Karen Greene
 Choir Director

ACRO KNIGHTS



THE 2002-2003 ACROKNIGHTS TEAM

Jonathan Bae - Patrick Black - Preston Black - Trey Brown - Andrew Carlson - Chris Carney

James Cooper - Tasha Ericson - Matthew Haney - Casey Herbert - Hannah Kingry - Holly Livingston

Cody McClung - Dylan McClung - Jeffrey Owen - Chris Pendleton - Jacqui Pendleton - Brian Rowe

Jimmy Rowe - Kerah Schwartz - Matias Soto - Allen Staggs - Staci Stevenson - Katie Stier - Adam Sutton

Michael Sweigart - Jairo Torres - Jonathan Tryon - Keith Wuttke

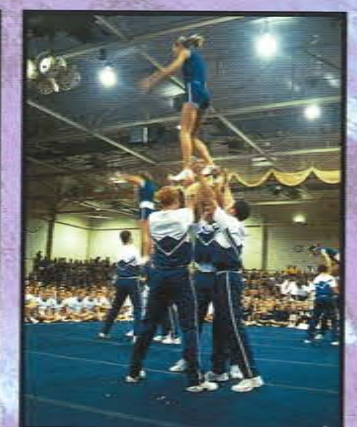
We desire that God's power be evident in us - period.



Mission: To lift high the ideals of Christ and manifest His character through outstanding gymnastic programs and the testimony of healthy lifestyle choices.

Goal: To serve our community and those with whom we come in contact with.

ACRO KNIGHTS



INTERACT CLUB



Justin Wall - President



Kelly Britton - Vice President



Mia Pandit - Secretary



Ellie Barker - Treasurer



Jared Kay - Service Director

This year, Fletcher Academy was one of the first SDA school's in the world to sponsor an Interact Club. Interact is an international social and service organization for students in High-School. Interact strives for strength in leadership, responsible citizenship, and promotes international understanding and peace. The name was created by combining the words "international" and "action." Our Interact club is sponsored by the Rotary Club of Arden.

In the first half of the year, the Interact club adopted Naples road and had frequent roadside clean-up days along with some vigorous fundraising for their year-end community service project. The club also met with another area club, T.C. Roberson at their meeting to get a feel for how the INTERACT club works. Although the club is still in its infancy, over half of the school registered as members this year. Give it five years and every student at FA will be involved. Year one of the Interact Club of FA was a great success.

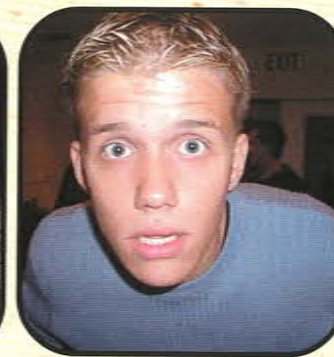
THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION



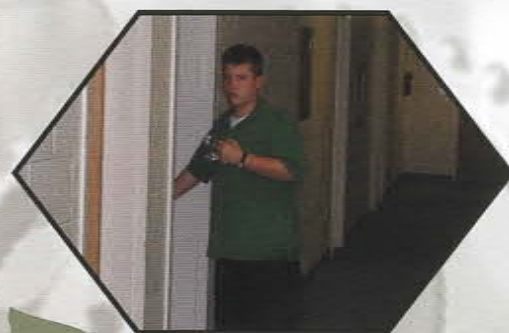
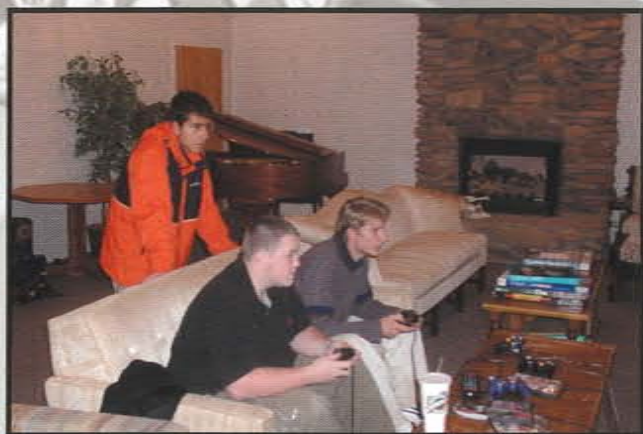
2002-2003 Student Association Officers

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Andrew Shaw
Hannah Kingry
Sonia Garcia
Jessica Aguila
John Boehmer**

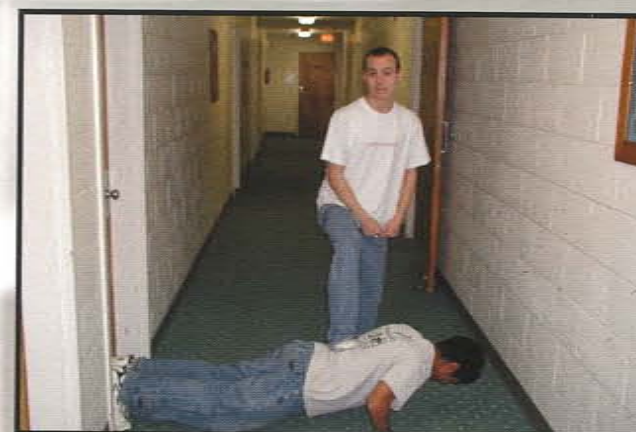
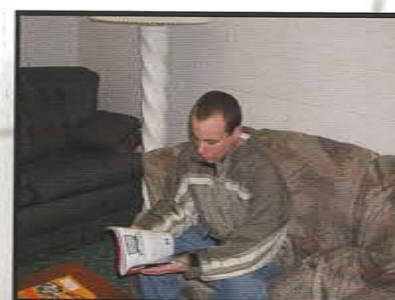
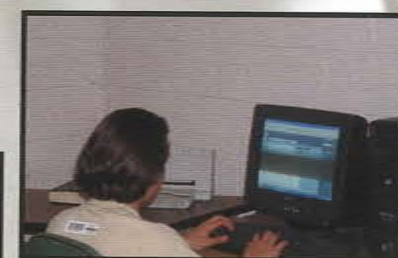
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Parliamentarian
Pastorette
Recreation Coordinator**



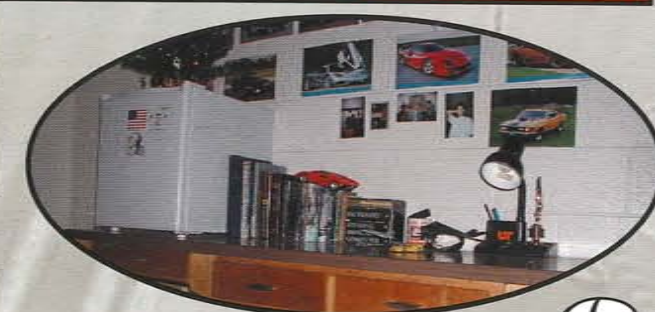
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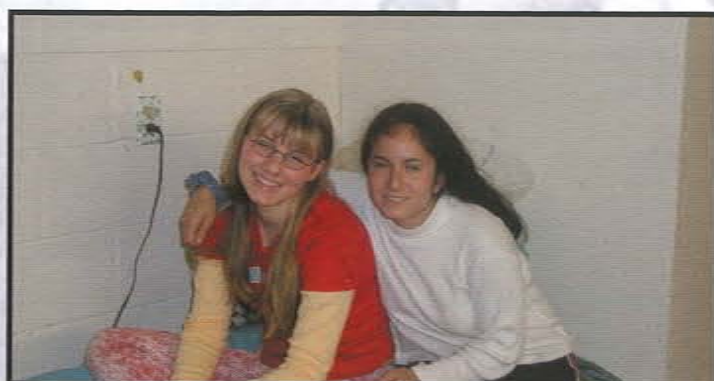


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Girls Dorm Life



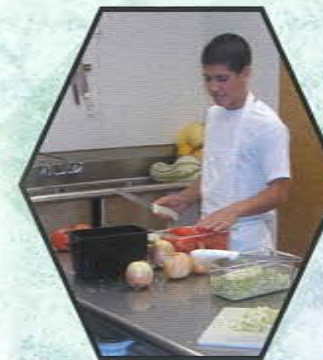
Girls Dorm Life





Fletcher Academy is home to one of the most diverse work programs in the country. From the Laundry to the Deli, FA trains its students for the many work areas they might encounter in their lives. While sometimes the job may not be fun, it is good training that the student actually gets paid for. Not a bad situation, is it?

Andrew Shaw



WORK PLACES



Late Arrivals

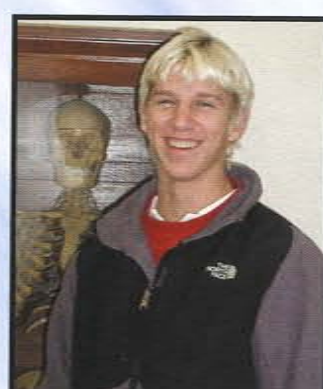
Because the class sections of the yearbook are submitted before the 2nd Semester begins, these 4 students were unable to be listed along with their classes. This is the reason why we have a "Late Arrivals" section in the yearbook so you can still have pictures of your newest classmates along with their contact information.



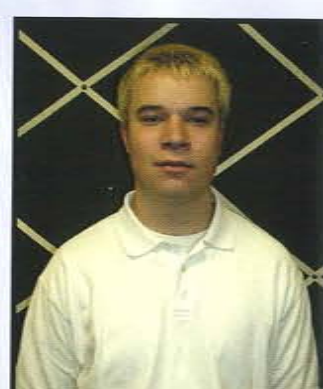
Michael Hadley



Nicole Lomax



Adam Sutton



Matthew Zwinge

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Class of 2003

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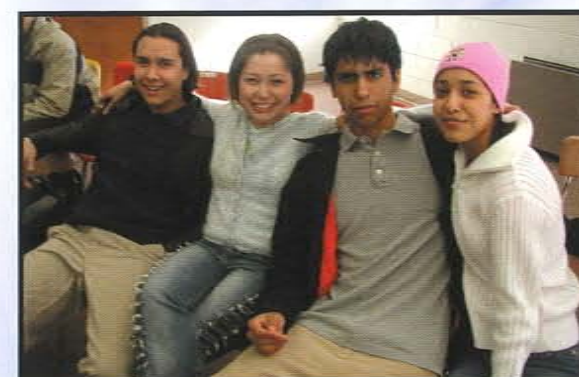
Matthew Zwinge

Class of 2005

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International Students

This year, Fletcher Academy was proud to welcome many new students from outside of the USA. Countries represented include.....



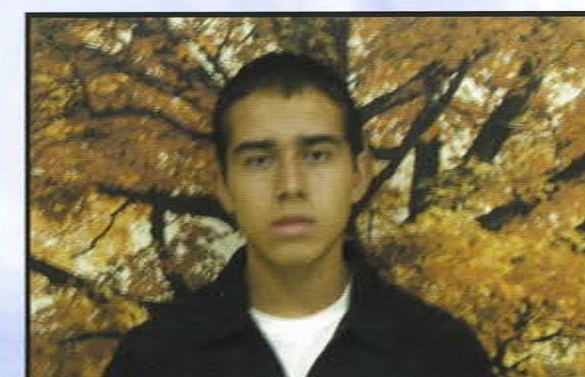
Jairo Torres, Evelyn Moctezuma,
Matias Soto, Sonia Garcia - Mexico



Diana Lifford - Canada



Jonathan Mendoza - Bolivia



Jorge Caicedo - Columbia



Mia Pandit - India



Dana Molina - Costa Rica

Dear Larissa,
My, How time has passed! Who would have thought that we would have been sitting down writing this letter so "soon"? This is quite an accomplishment, graduating as a senior, one step closer to determining who you are going to be and whose lives you might touch in the process. You've made us proud over the years, standing up for what you believe, and although not always visible, we love you with all our heart, and wish nothing but the best for you in years to come.

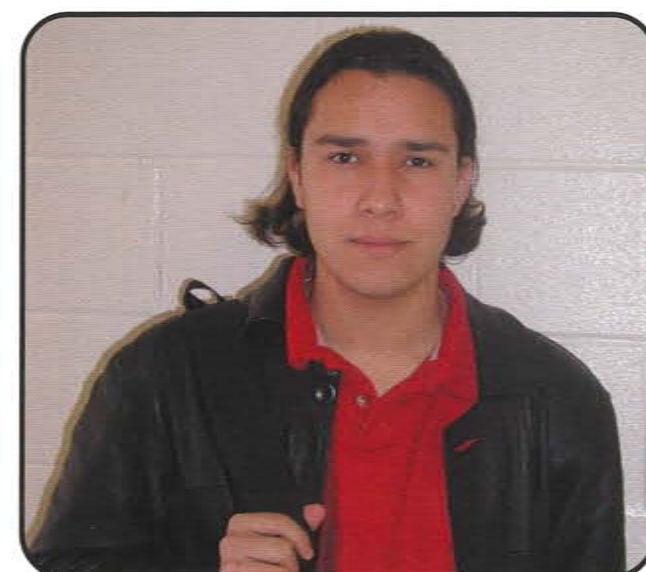
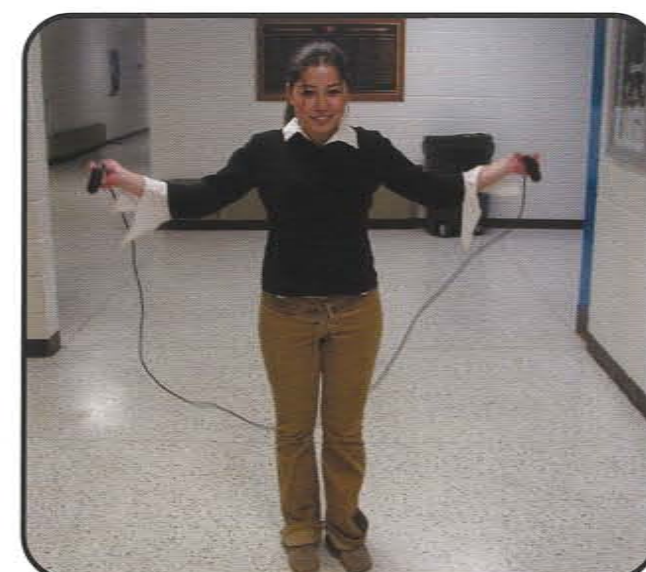
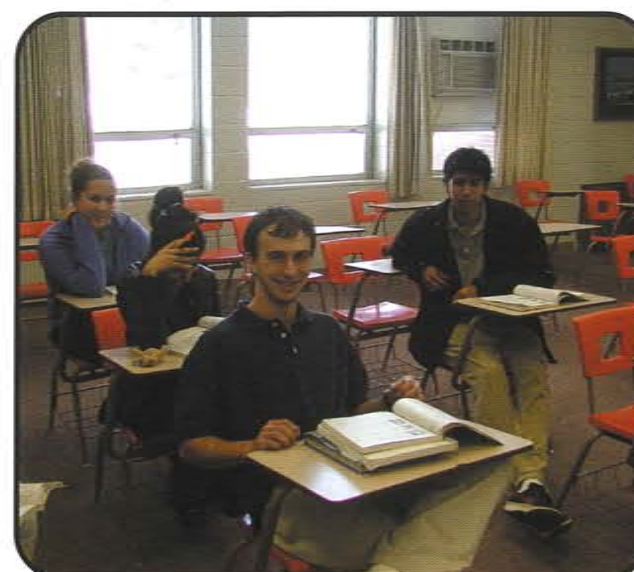
Love Always,
Mom & Dad



We are so proud of you for all you've accomplished. You've always shown determination and perseverance. Our prayer is that you will always keep Christ first in your life. Mark 12:30. Always know that we love you. Love, Mom and Dad

I'm so proud of your accomplishments in school and in life. I know you will go far. Always remember - no matter where you are I will always love you. Love, Mama

God bless you always. Jeremiah 29:13. Love, The Macks



Dear Diana

Congratulations on completing 12 years of school, or 13 if you include Kindergarten. We are proud of all your accomplishments. We know with the Lord's help and guidance you will be successful in whatever you chose to do. Keep the music coming and good luck as you get ready to experience college life.

Love,
Dad & Lori



To My No. 1 Son!

What a precious gift to have you in our lives. What great FUN we have had together. Your quick humor, loving spirit and zest for "living" bring us much joy.



As your father, learning how to "let you go and fly solo" has been both my greatest sadness and my greatest joy. Justin Lee Wall... I am so proud of you



Love,
Your Dad forever!





Dear Jamie,

Where have the 18 years gone? "We can't believe you are a Senior already."

We pray you will be successful at whatever you choose for your future. Just keep your eyes on Jesus. We are so proud of the fine young man you have become! May God richly bless you!

We love you,
Mom, Dad & Jennifer

Dear Missy,

We are so blessed having you for a daughter. We are proud of your accomplishments over the past few years, and look forward to your future accomplishments. You are a loving and caring young lady. Always remember, Jesus loves you dearly, and so do we.

Love,
Mom & Dad



Dear Cody

You have brought much joy into our lives. Watching you grow and mature over the past 18 years has truly been a privilege and a gift from God. You have so much potential and can accomplish wonderful

things...but not by relying on yourself or looking to us weak and defected humans. Keep your focus on Jesus. He is the only One to look at. He is the only One who knows what will make you happy and give you success. He is the One who has an awesome plan for your life. Just give Him the control and let Him lead you. You can't go wrong and you won't be sorry. And always remember "from Whom all blessings flow".

Congratulations son on your graduation and may God continue to bless you in all things.

With all our love,
Mom and Dad



Dear Staci

Soon you will be looking back at high school and all the familiar things you've enjoyed, tolerated and loved at Fletcher during the past 12 years. You have always had such a special passion and energy for life that those of us close to you could not help but be blessed. Always be thankful for the experience and people that have been a part of your life, they have all helped make you what you are.

We love you with all our hearts and wish you God's richest blessings as you continue to grow and serve Him. Never lose your passion, energy and love for life, it is a gift.

Love, Dad and Mom

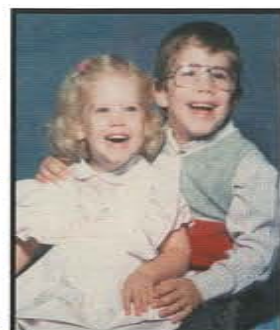


Dear Russ,

We just want you to know how glad we are to have you as a son. Your generous spirit and good nature make you a fine young man.

We will always treasure a heart full of memories of "our little boy" but with everyday that passes our admiration grows for the remarkable young man you are...the son we love so very much!

Love always,
Mom & Dad



I am so proud of you, Diana My beautiful, prayed-for baby girl, you're sunshine on a cold, rainy day. Your smile is a warm breeze blowing through a field of beautiful wild flowers. God bless you now, and for all eternity. We love you forever!
Mom, Sam & Nick

Build Me a Son by: General Douglas MacArthur

Build me a son, O Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak, and brave enough to face himself when he is afraid; one who will be proud and unbending in honest defeat, and humble and gentle in victory.

Build me a son whose wishes will not take the place of deeds; a son who will know Thee, and know that to know himself is the foundation stone of knowledge.

Lead him, I pray, not in the path of ease and comfort, but under the stress and spur of difficulties and challenge, here, let him learn to stand up in the storm; here, let him learn compassion for those who fall.

Build me a son whose heart will be clear, whose goals will be high; a son who will master himself before he seeks to master other men; one who will learn to laugh, yet never forget how to weep; one who will reach into the future, yet never forget the past.

And after all these things are his, add, I pray, enough of a sense of humor, so that he may always be serious, yet never take himself too seriously.

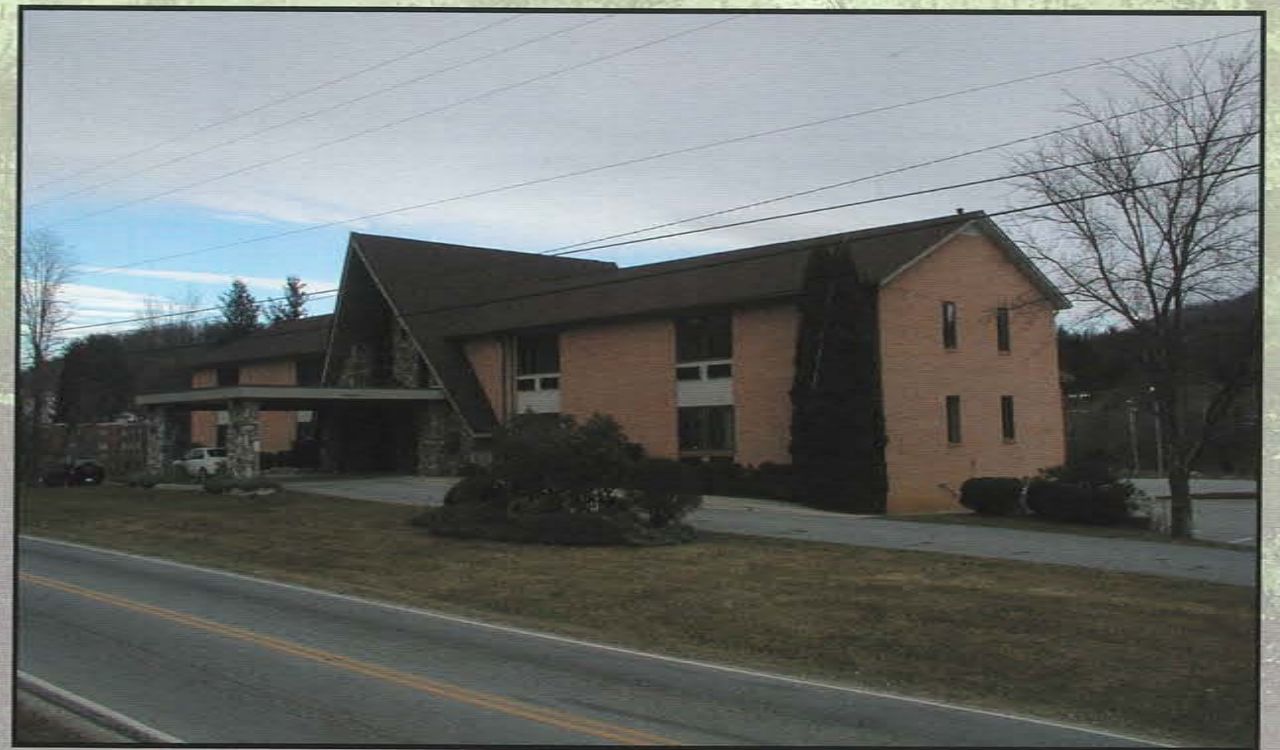
Give him humility, so that he may always remember the simplicity of true greatness, the open mind of true wisdom, the meekness of true strength.



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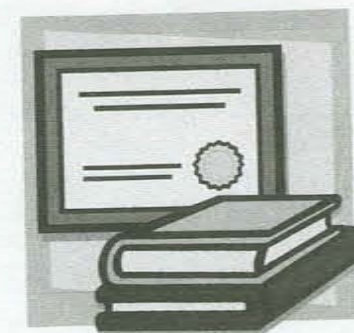


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Matthew 25:40



Our Daily Prayer

Lord as we share ourselves with others
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So that as we work together, there will be
Caring where there is indifference,
Hope where there is hopelessness,
Comfort where there is pain,
And a sense of Your presence always felt



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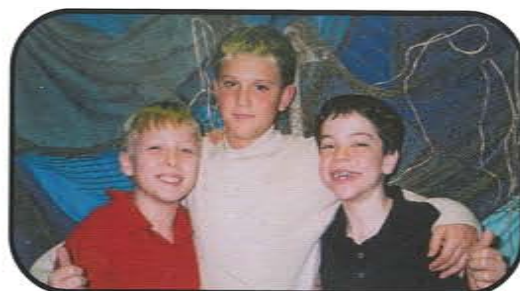


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*Best wishes for all your future
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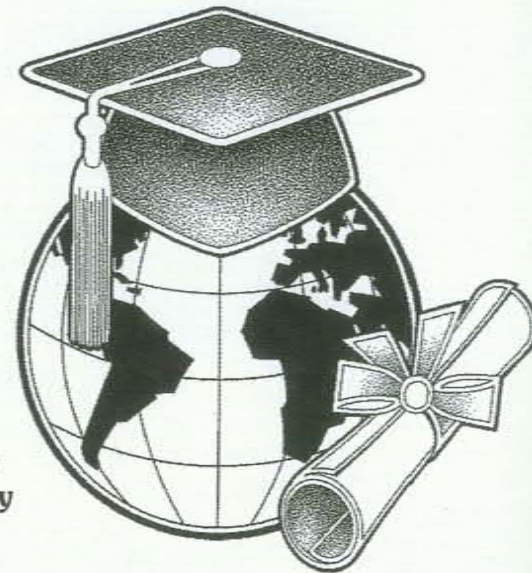
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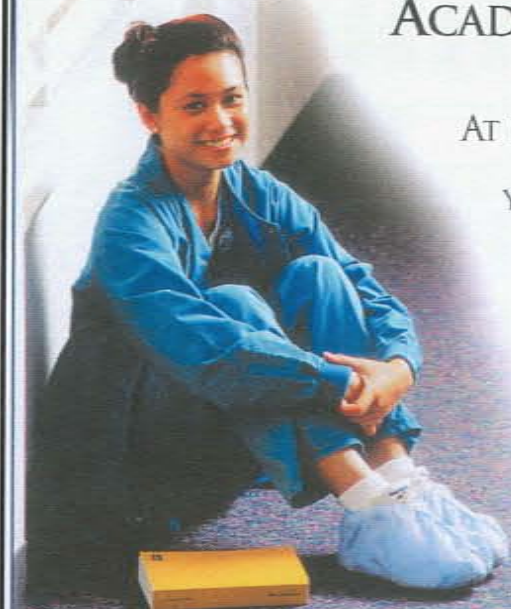
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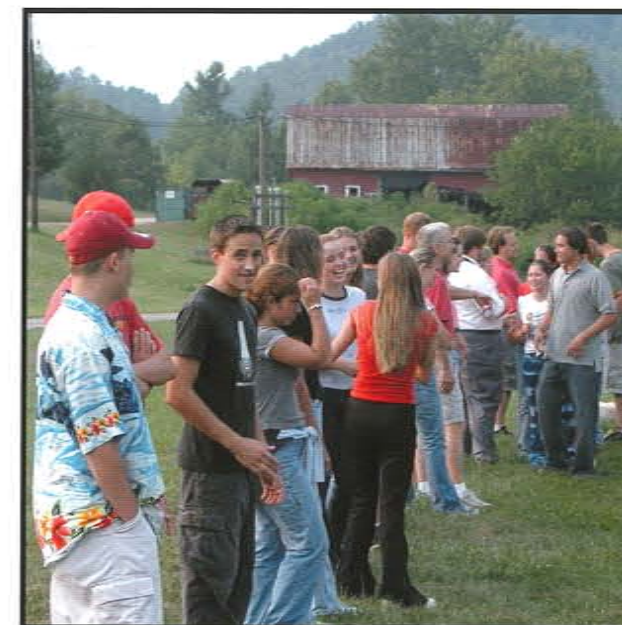


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Bible Conference

On Friday, January 17, 2003, while snow still covered the ground of Fletcher Academy, 27 students and 2 adults left for the Nosoca Pines Bible Conference. We arrived Friday evening and participated in the vespers service. On Saturday morning SAU led out in the church worship service, where we sang songs, heard testimonies, and enjoyed skits from the students. Later that evening after relaxing and spending time with our new friends, we closed the Sabbath with testimonies and prayer. Later Southern performed a gymnastics show for us. Then we had free time in which we played games, relaxed in the hot tub, and watched a movie. Overall we enjoyed our experience and had a great time.

Kristin Eszler



VALENTINE'S BANQUET



On February 23rd, 83 of the students and faculty of Fletcher Academy, dressed in their best, loaded the buses and headed towards Champion Hills Country Club. We enjoyed great hors d'oeuvres while we took pictures. Then we dined on a super meal, followed by entertainment brought to us by our own Mr. Johnson, Mr. Gerst, Cody, and Preston. It was a real laugh riot. All in all, it was a good evening, brought to us by SA.

By: Ellie Barker



Progressive Dinner Parties



February 8, Saturday night, the students of Fletcher Academy loaded the vans and drove to a house to begin the progressive dinner parties. There were four different houses, each one containing a part of the evening meal. We played games like mad gab, ping pong, air hockey, and did other fun things. Overall the students had an enjoyable evening and ate to their hearts content.

Andrew Eszler



Academy Days



For the Academy Day students, the Fletcher gym team, drama team, band, and choir performed a short program. Later in the afternoon everyone played games in the gym to avoid the rain. The Academy Day students had fun with the games and then went to the dorms for other activities. On Monday the students took a tour of the school and had lunch at the Deli.

Kristin Eszler



Junior Senior Banquet

A magical time of year. On May 4th the ever so wonderful Seniors & Juniors met at the flag pole and loaded the bus, dressed in their finest formal wear, and headed for Yoshidas. We watched as several cooks prepared fresh vegetables & rice in front of us. After that we moved to the lounge and watched/participated in a comedic game show. It involved students, faculty, & an all Senior round. Questions were about history, media, & even some about Fletcher students. After this we took a few minutes to take pictures and then headed home. A fun filled evening and a great time for the upperclassmen to enjoy themselves.

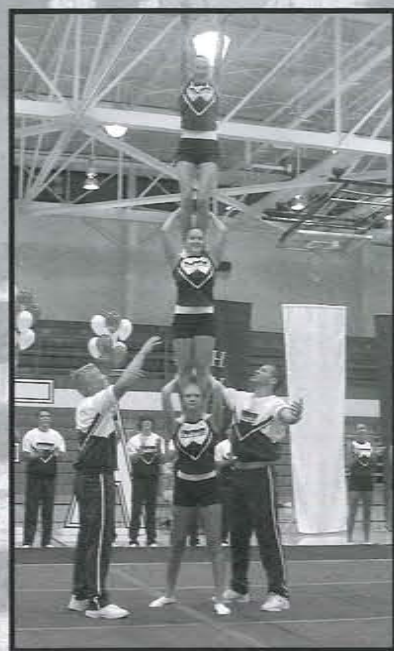
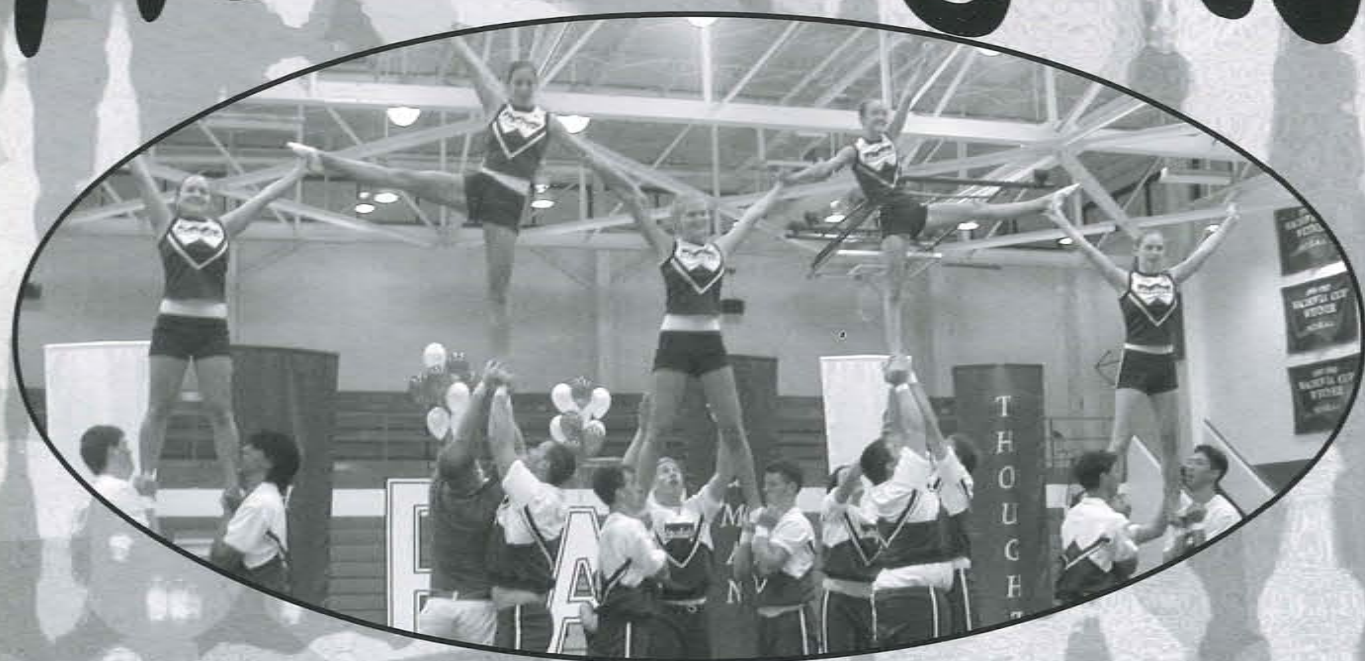
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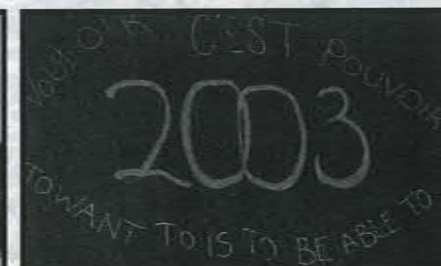
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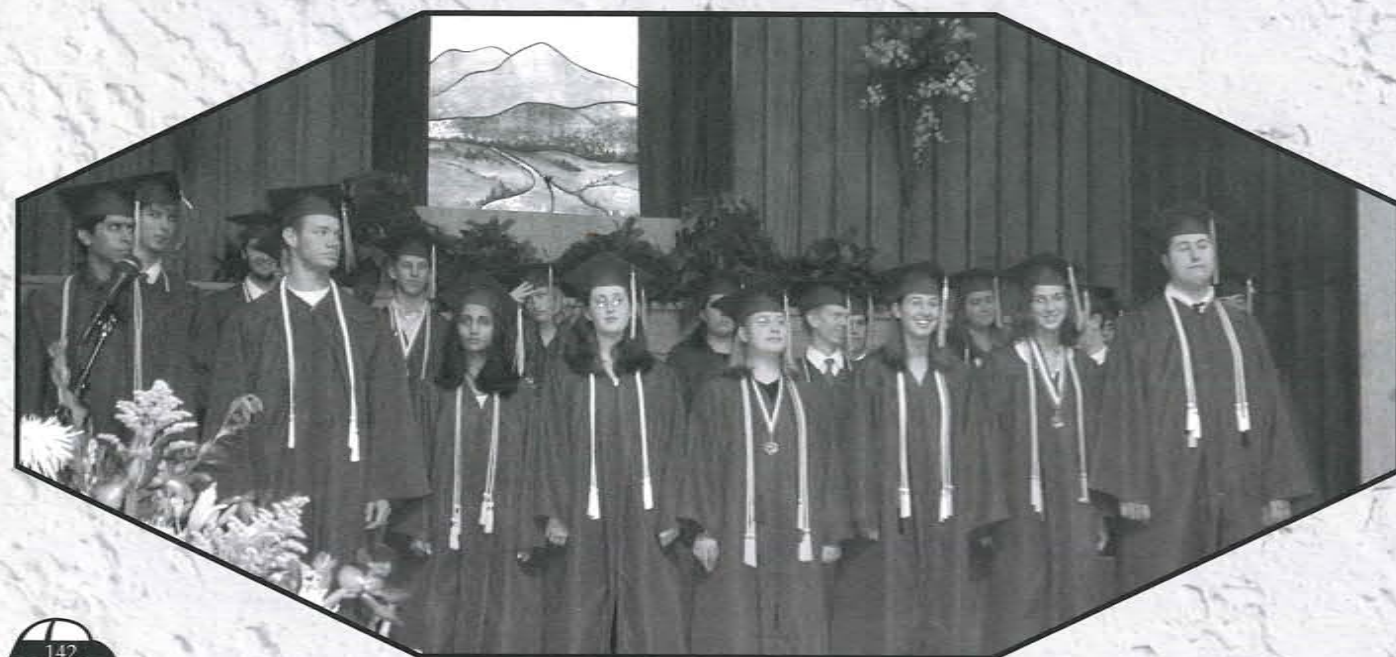
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The Lord lift His countenance upon you,
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Amen*

