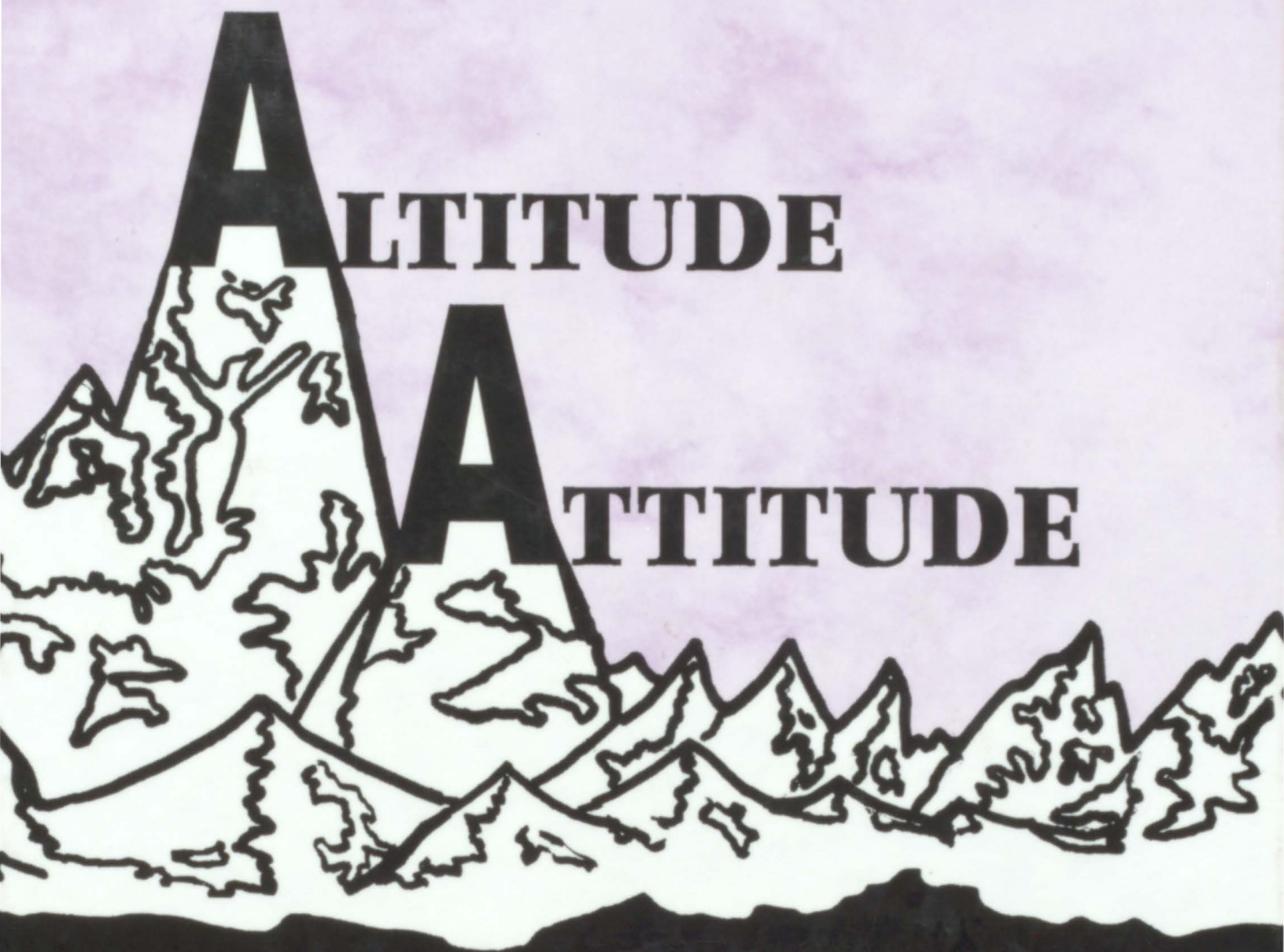


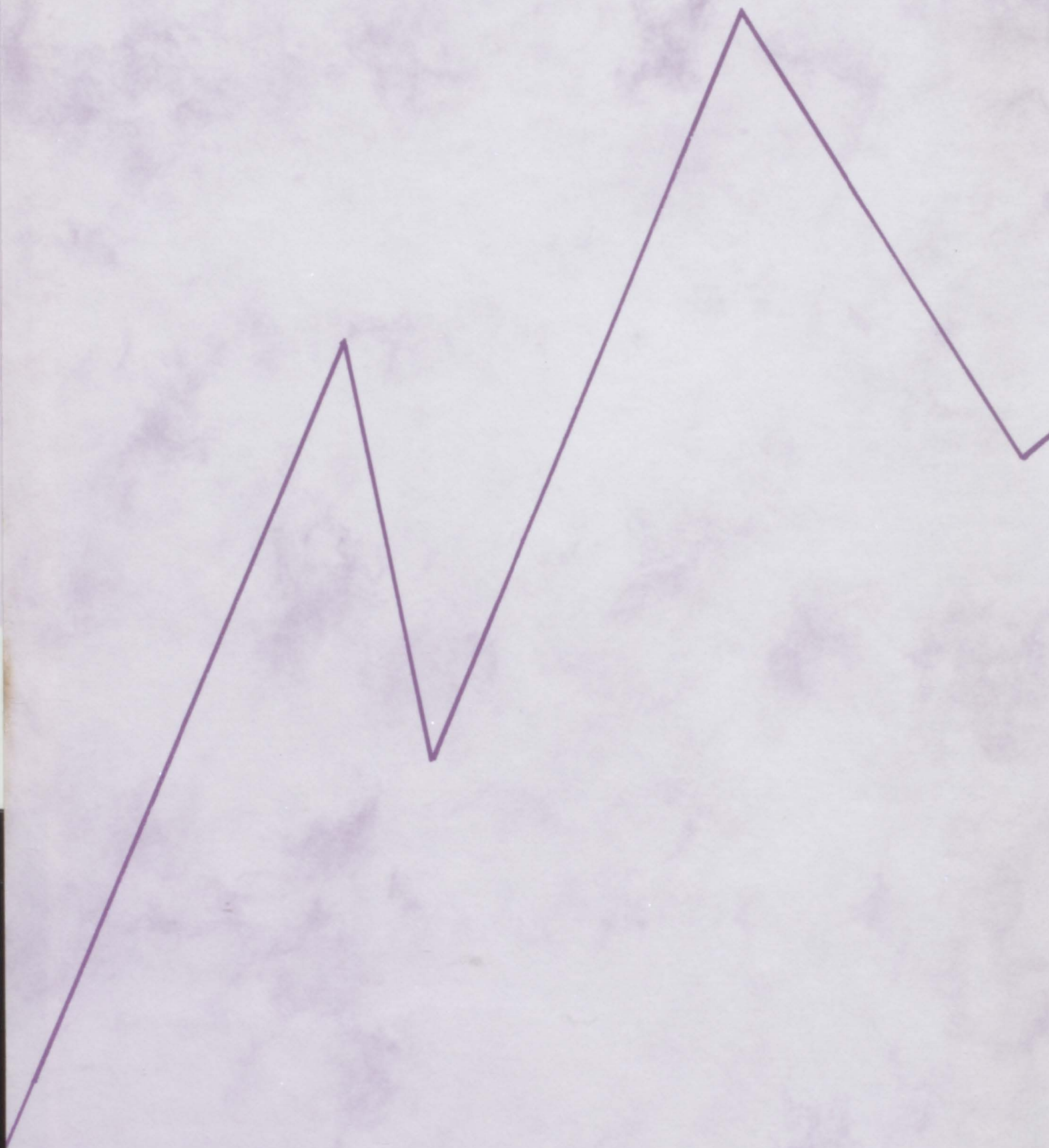
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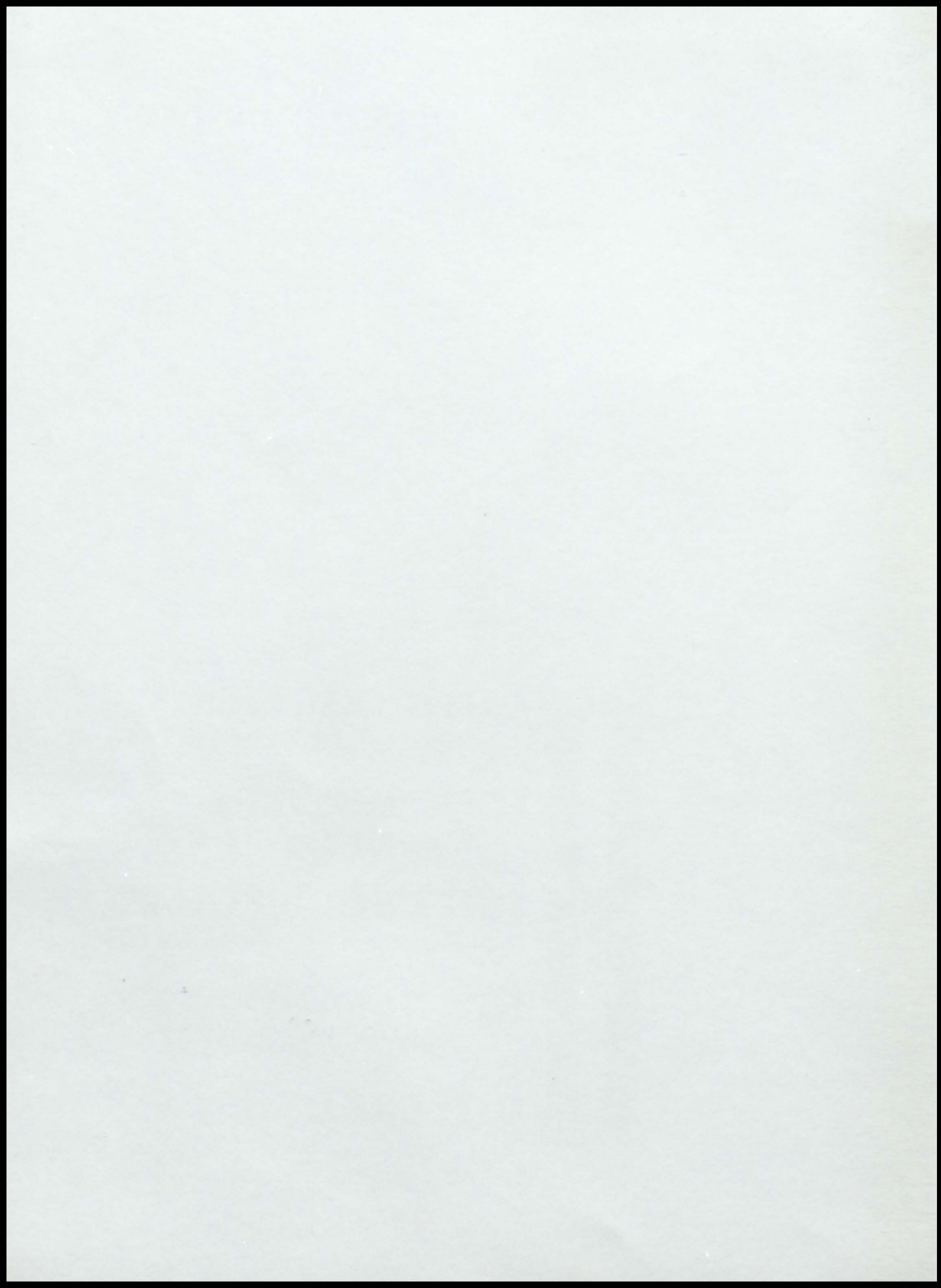


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Just hours before kick-off on September 1st, Acme Electric finishes hanging the new lights for the first nighttime football game in over 20 years at Salida High. The Spartans scrimmaged against Woodland Park and the lights were ready in time for the 7:00 kick-off. Although the Spartans lost this first scrimmage, an old tradition has returned.



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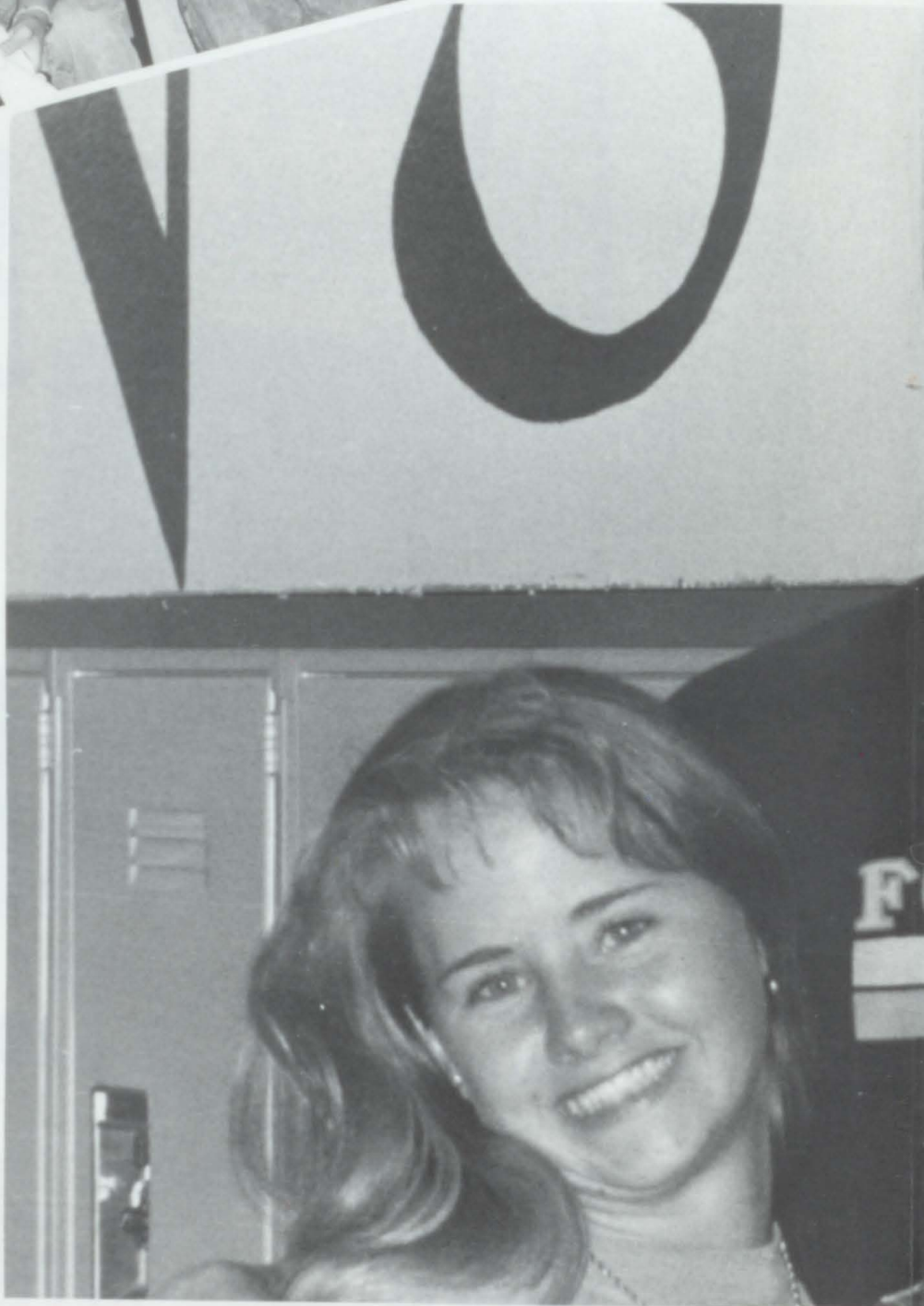
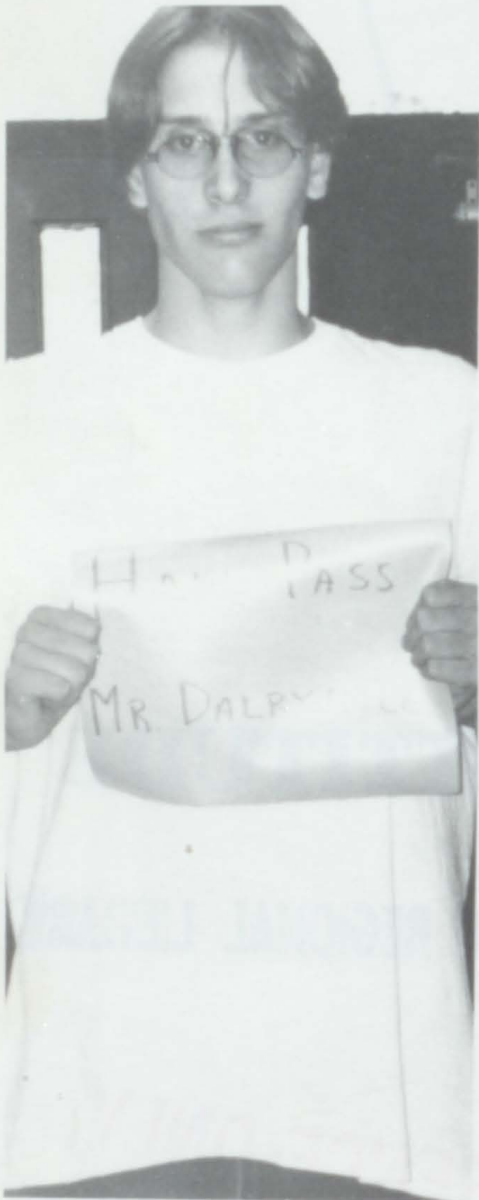
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Learning the ropes from STUCO upper-classmen are Freshmen Lesley Reno and Cathi Rich.



"I have a hall pass." Don't accuse Sr. Nick Chavez of hall roaming.



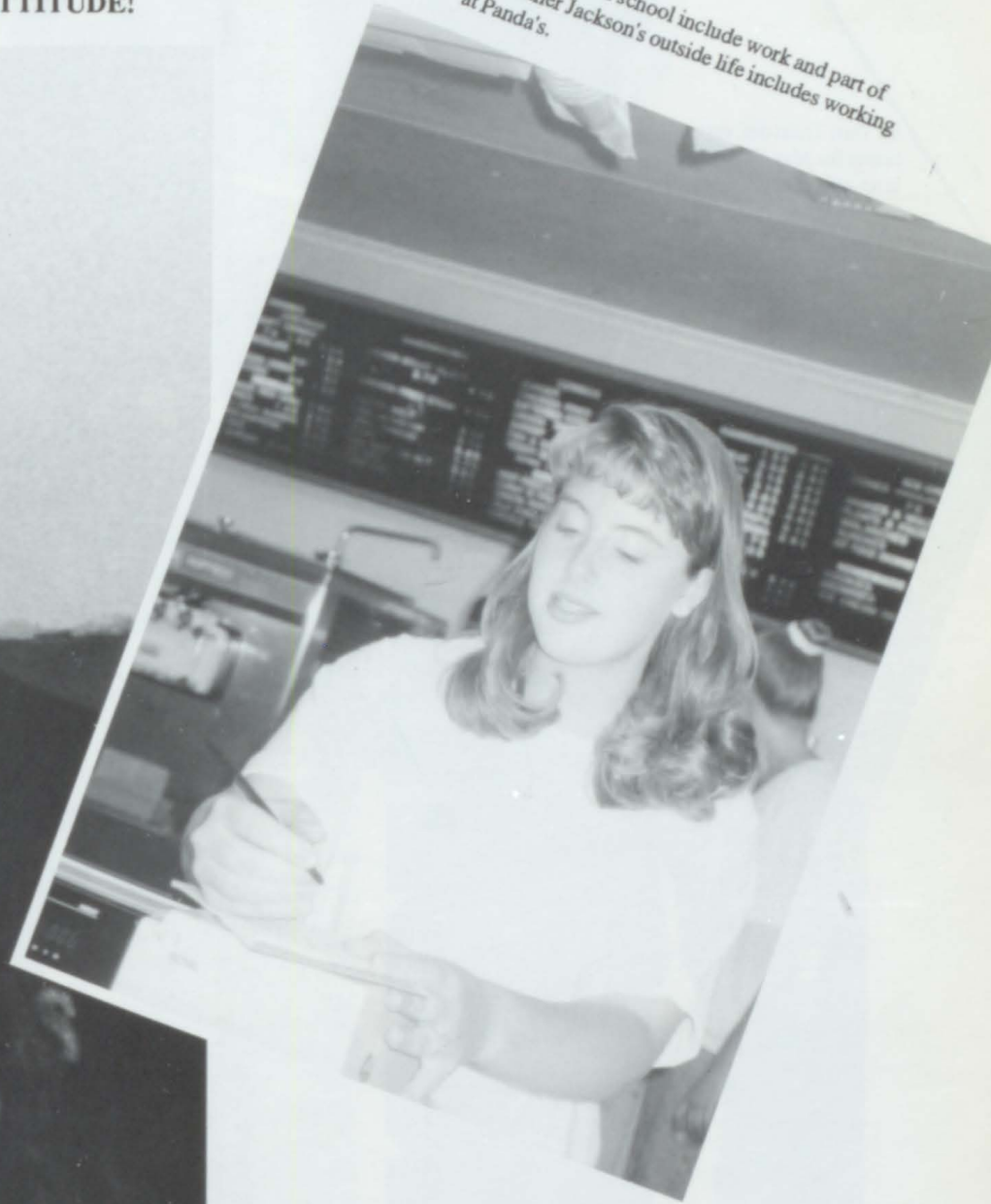
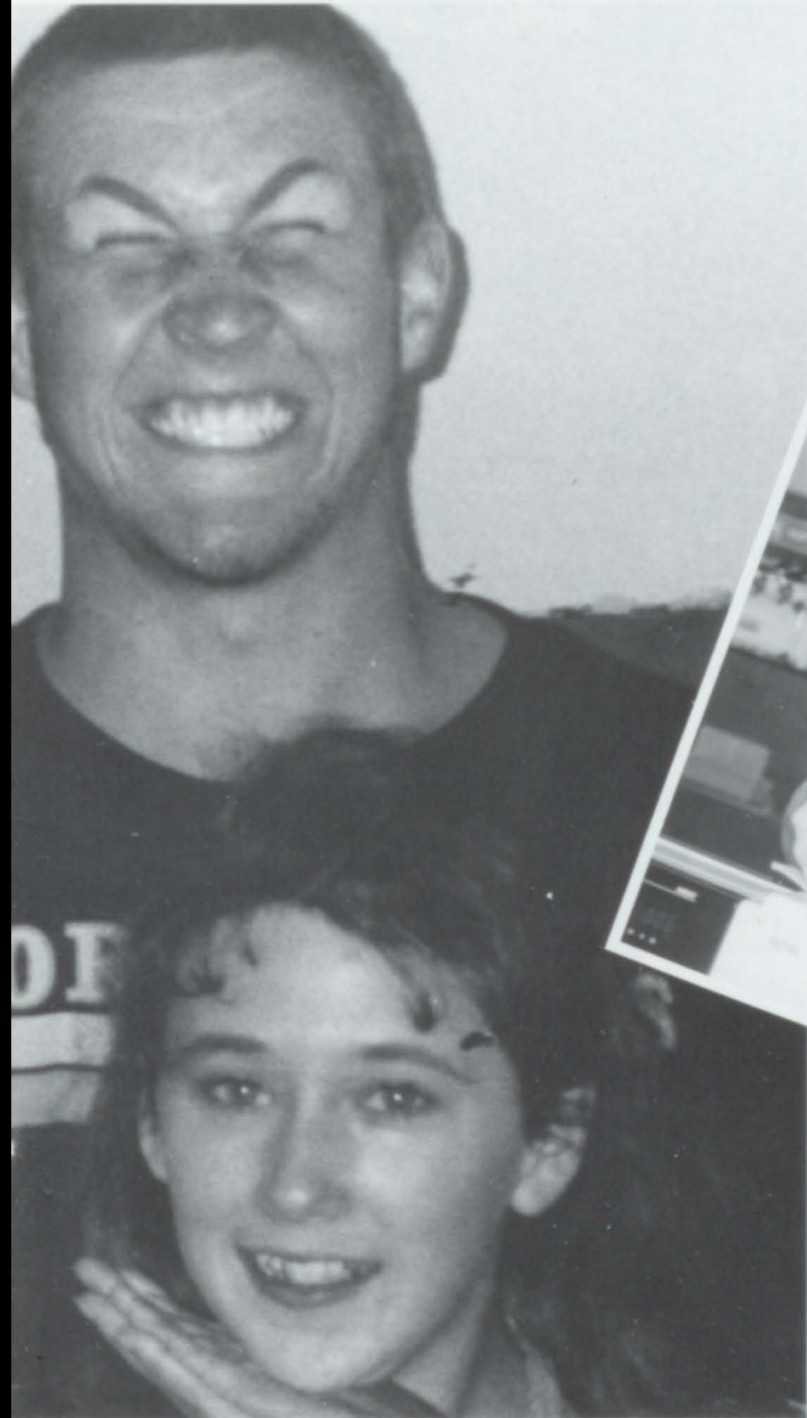
High Altitude Attitude

It's not just a saying, it's a way of life. At 7,000 feet and surrounded and secluded by the "fourteeners," and the Arkansas River, we Salidans possess a light-hearted spirit not readily found on the front range. How can you not get high on life in this slower-paced, natural beauty? People come in droves to experience for a brief moment what is a way of life for us all the time. Not many can boast of white-water rafting

and hiking in the summer, together with great skiing and snowboarding in the winter.

Although we get restless at times for the action and excitement of the big cities, we still come back home to Salida, and our high-spirited, higher quality of life in the 90's. There's high stress and anxiety wherever you go, but we have the kind of attitude that helps us deal with it. Yes, we have **ATTITUDE!**

Our lives out of school include work and part of Jr. Heather Jackson's outside life includes working at Panda's.



Proud to be seniors and standing in "their" hall are Robyn Clark, David Rollins, and Tricia Jones.

Enjoying the quiet times of volleyball camp, at Woodland Park, Sr. Jenny DeLuca relaxes at the end of a day.



Sr. Tom Truitt delivers boxes for Mrs. Reno. He is an office aide for 7th hr.



High Anxieties

-by Gustl Argys

High anxiety was the feeling that filled most of the students in Salida High School during this school year. This unease usually arrived before or during a test, sporting event, dance, and even in the case of freshmen, school in general. Seniors, on the other hand, may have felt an anxiety attack while filling out scholarship information and other "THINGS TO DO FOR COLLEGE."

We also felt concern about responsibilities that condition us for real life adventures. This certainly didn't mean we didn't have any fun, because when the weekends came around, it was time for everyone to let their hair down and UNSTRESS. This meant time alone, or with friends, and we could be ourselves without worrying about others or any ANXIETY.!



Eliciting spirit with the cheerleaders, are Senior "Purple Crushers" Tony Cicerelli and Dany Anderson. Perhaps the amount of enthusiasm sparked help win this game against Woodland Park

Many of the Volleyball girls attended camp at Woodland Park in July. Not only did they work on court skills, but they also found time for "Chubby Bunnies," a game of stuffing marshmallows in your mouth. Freshman Heather Adams is the reigning champ with a record 19 marshmallows at one time.



Sr. Senior Steve Hall competes at the Colorado High School State Rodeo Championships in Greeley in the bull riding event.



Hot Summer Attitudes

Summer came to an abrupt end in early September and we got ready to start taking school a bit more seriously. All the rodeos, camps, jobs, or just hanging out slowed down for the next nine months, and left us thinking only four (or three, or two, or one) year left of school. We can do it!

During the summer we meet a lot of new people that we will miss over the next nine months-people that we only really hang out with during the summer-people who will leave for college that we might not see again.

It's sad to say good-bye, but just remember all the good times and don't forget the bad times. Those are the things that will always be with us, even if some of our friends are not for the next nine months. There are always new friends to make in September.

-by Patty Giron



Jr. Desirae Warren shows her rodeo skills in the barrels event at the Canyon City rodeo on July 5. Desirae has been competing for four years.

Jr. Pam Hamilton searches for the perfect video to watch on a hot summer night. Safeway's video department is just one of our many forms of entertainment at all times of the year.

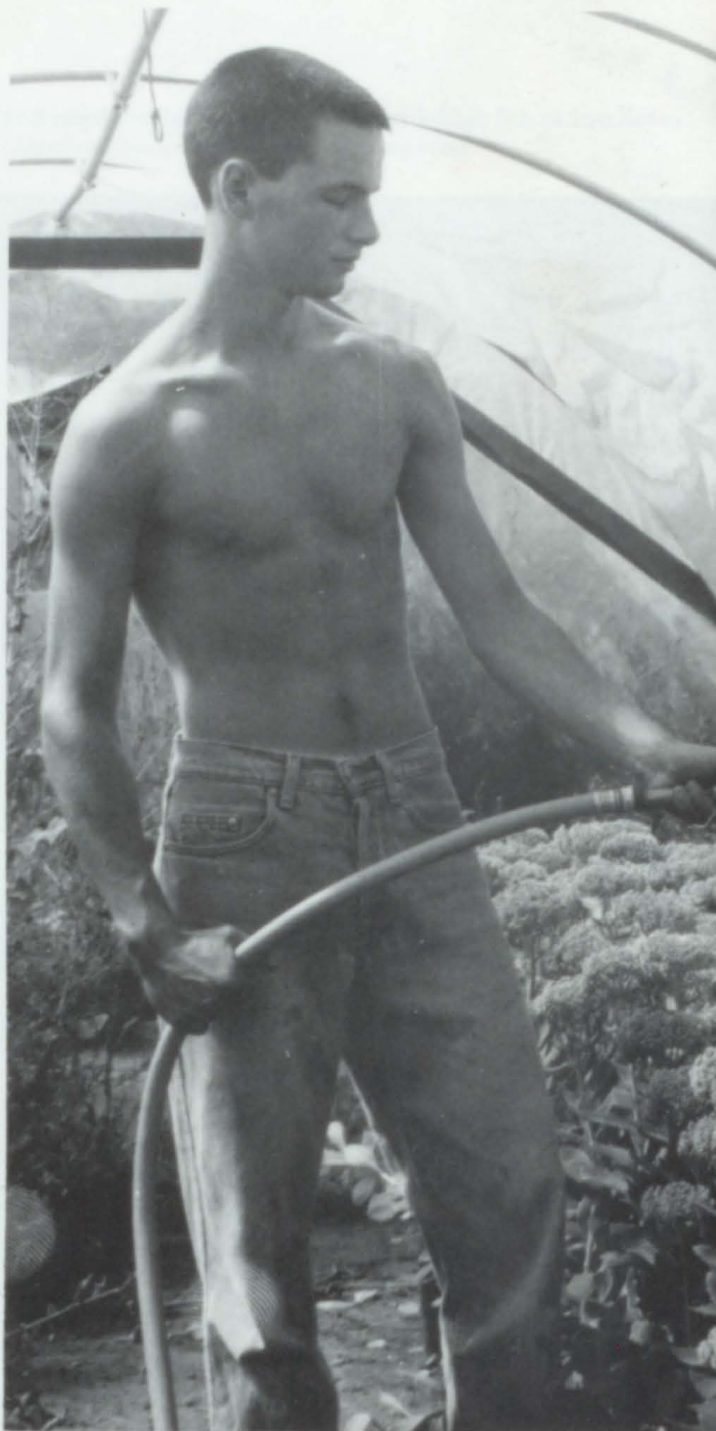


Freshman B.J. Cicerelli and family have been selling fireworks during the 4th of July for seven years. With older brother Mike away, and Tony working, B.J. put in a lot of time this summer. His broken arm kept him from enjoying many of his regular activities.



Ice cream and hot days go together for Lyndsay Pergande, Rachel Donovan, Staci Teter, Darcy Curtis, Bobbi Rich, Jessica Donovan, and Cari Friend as they relax on the Donovan's deck.

"Would you like paper or plastic?" Sr. Damy Anderson sacks groceries at Safeway with her usual friendly demeanor.



Many of Us Work Hard

In between having fun and hanging out, students at Salida High School keep themselves busy with summer and after school jobs. Some students are just trying to earn some extra cash, and others are planning futures. Our jobs range from working in green-houses to local motels. Of course, fast food restaurants remain a constant place of employment for us. We simply love that fast money for gas, all that fast food, and other essentials are just some of the reasons we work. According to Jason Miller, summertime employee of Denoyer's, "I have worked there for several years and would also work there again." Heh, some of us actually enjoy working and maybe we're pretty responsible and reliable after all.

"I have worked at Denoyer's for several years."

J. Miller

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-by Kristen Kotowski



Does it fold this way or that way? Sr. Crystal Stotler folds sheets as one of her duties as a maid at Super 8 Motel.



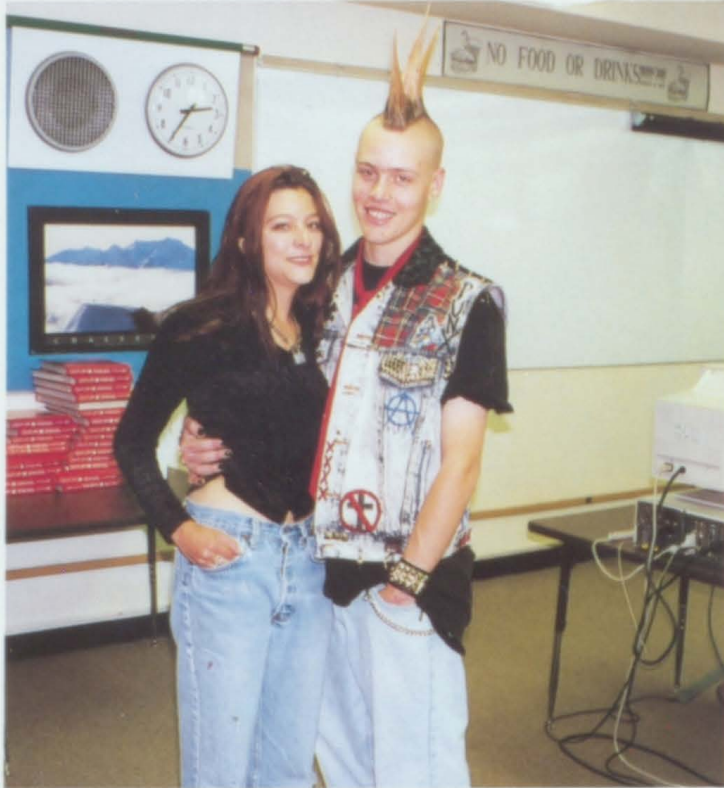
Jr. Jeremy Glasser fries some spuds at McDonald's.

Keeping plants looking beautiful takes meticulous care and Jr. Jason Miller tends the greenhouse at Denoyer's to keep these plants thriving.



Teamwork gets the job done as juniors Mandy Nelson and Jenni Thomas bus a table at Patio Pancake.

Trend setters all the way are Jrs. Corinne Stasco and Preston Broadfoot.



Express Yourself!

One of our main concerns these days is our clothing. What we wear is very important to us. Our clothing is what makes us individuals.

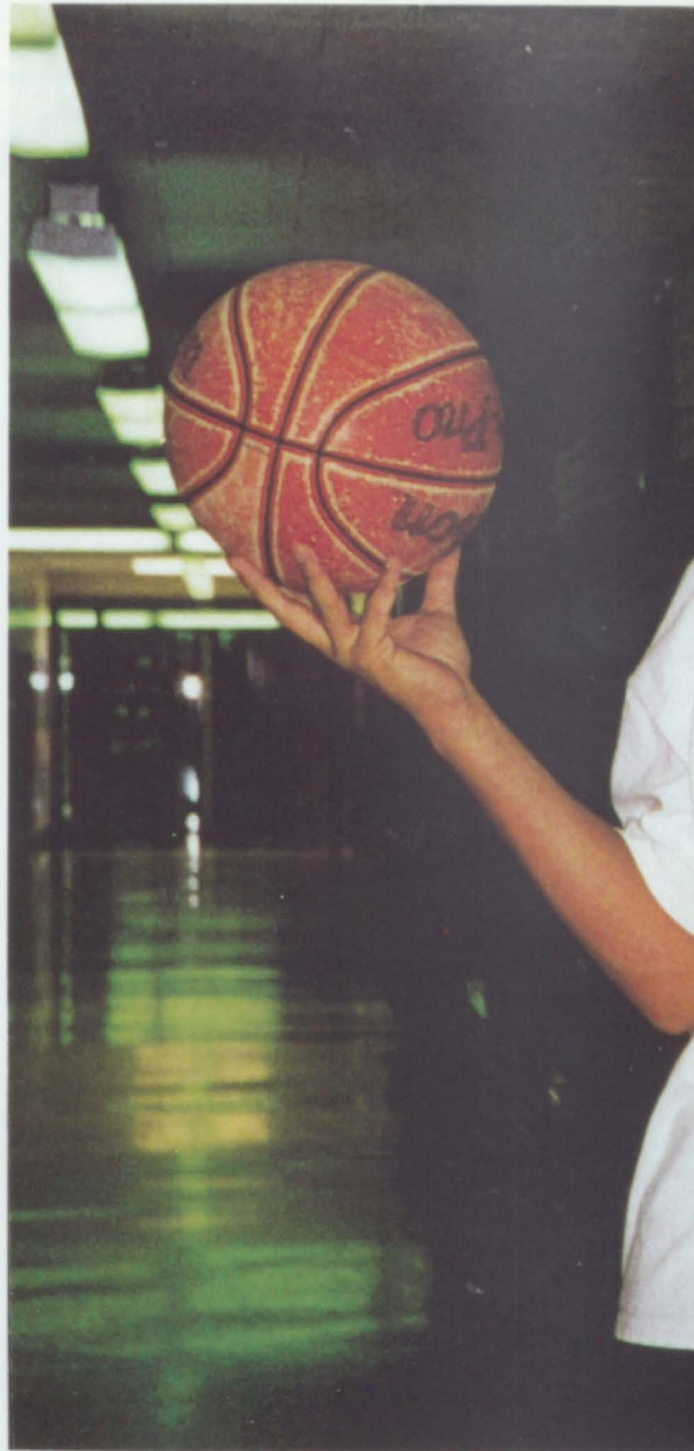
Being fashionable also means being comfortable. Whether it's baggy jeans, oversized shirts, or comfy shoes, we just have to be comfortable. Denim is also back bigger than ever. Students are wearing denim vests, denim dresses, not to mention the always and eternally popular-JEANS!

Then there are the backpacks-still being carried everywhere, yet mini backpacks are now quite popular. Mini backpacks are easy to carry and hold all of your necessities.

Don't forget labels-especially sports logos. Everybody seems to be wearing the Nike swoosh, Reebok emblems, and also No Fear and Co-Ed Naked symbols. When the weather turns cold, we sport our Starter labels on our coats. We are label lovers.

No matter what it is we wear, clothes are definitely on our minds. Comfort, or trendy, we like to express our individualism. That's what makes us-US!

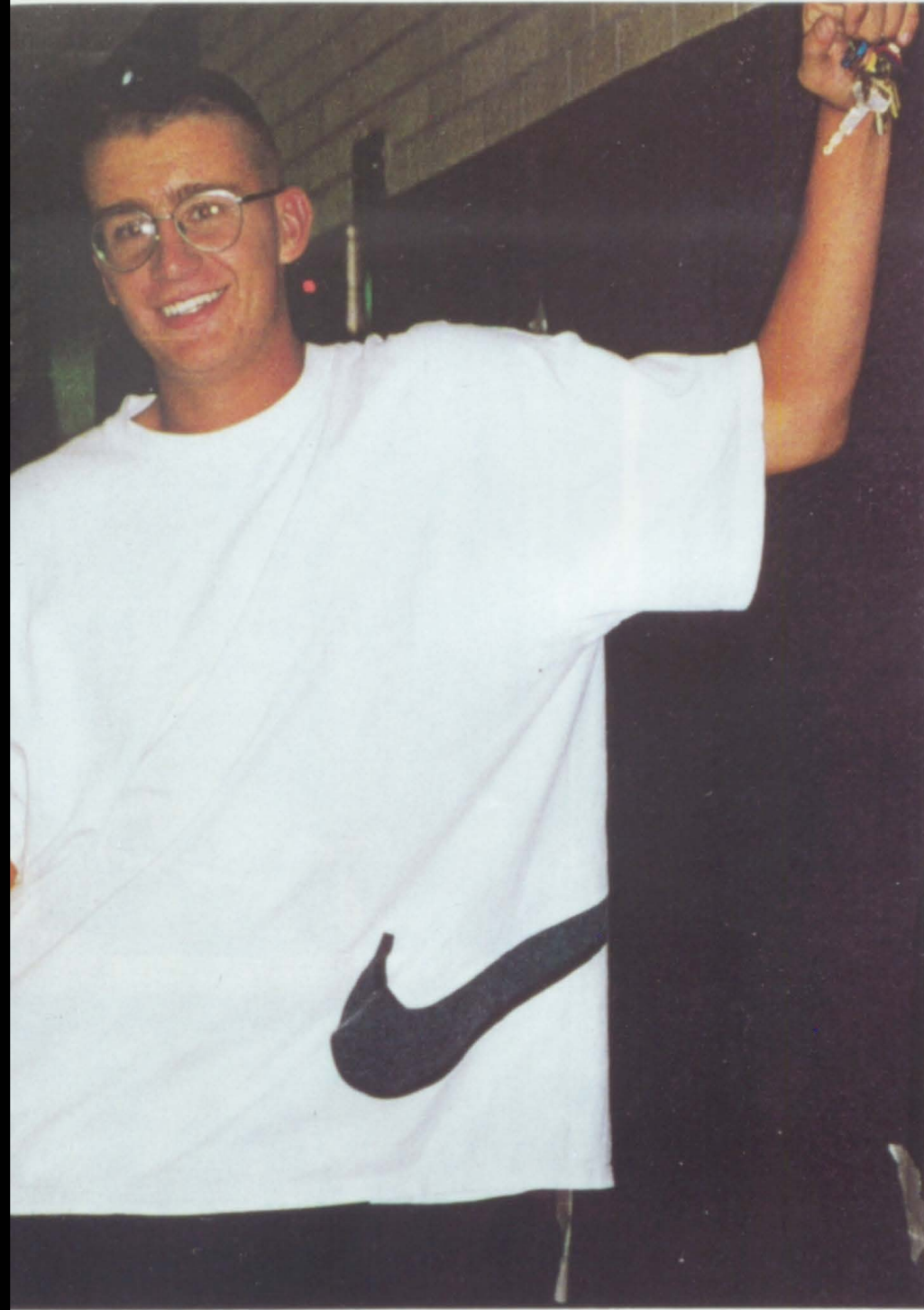
-by Angie Reno



Sophomore Joy Reno enjoys the comfort of these popular baggy pantsuits while she visits with Jr. Patty Giron. on picture dav.

shirt while attached to his basketball.

Carrying her essentials is sophomore Megan Simpson.



Fr. Jaques Lengerich likes to have comfortable feet and so he wears his Airwalks.

Freshman Eli Brown shows his cowboy style during spirit week.



Bosnian refugees huddle together in mass confusion. They are the casualties of the civil war taking place around them-their lives forever altered.



1995 Events Hit Close to Home

Even though many of the memorable events of 1995 were discovered by us while watching t.v., most all of them hit very close to home. Bill Gates, the 39 year old chairman of Microsoft Corp., introduced the long awaited Windows '95. The program has been installed here and computer specialist Mrs. Stagner said, "It was hard to set up, and we had to take it off some of the computers." Things seem to be running much smoother with it now.

On a more dramatic note, Timothy McVeigh and Terry Nichols are charged with 11 counts of murder in the bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. Most of us watched these tragic events unfold on t.v. on April 19 as it was a snow day and we were home from school.

We were also watching t.v. on September 6, when Cal Ripken Jr. broke the record for the most consecutive games in baseball and was acclaimed as the new "Iron Man."

Although not a big issue here, Affirmative Action was in the news quite a bit. President Clinton reevaluated this program throughout the year. If we move from this predominantly white area, this issue will have relevance to us.

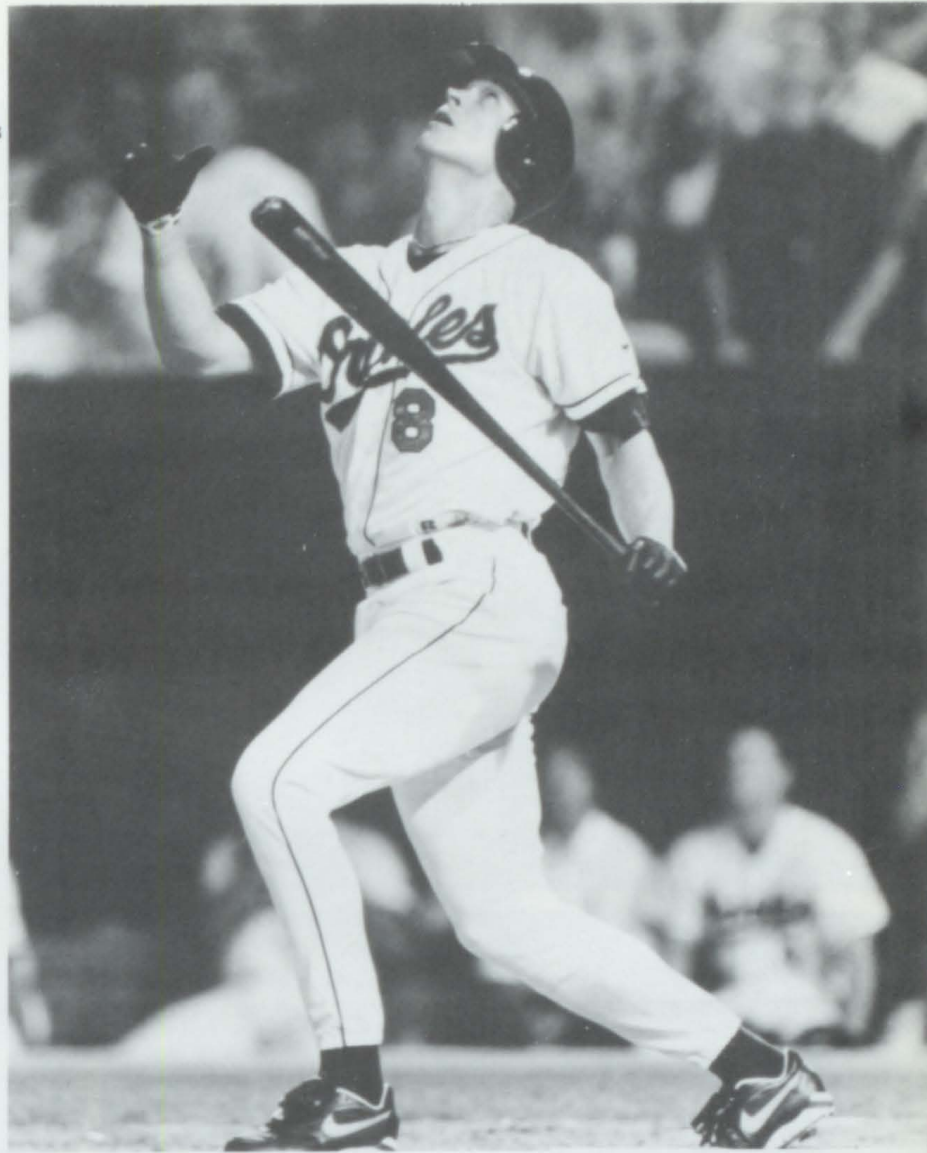
As always, another eventful year has passed. National and international events affect our lives even in our seemingly isolated valley.

-by Kerri Thorpe and Adam Christensen

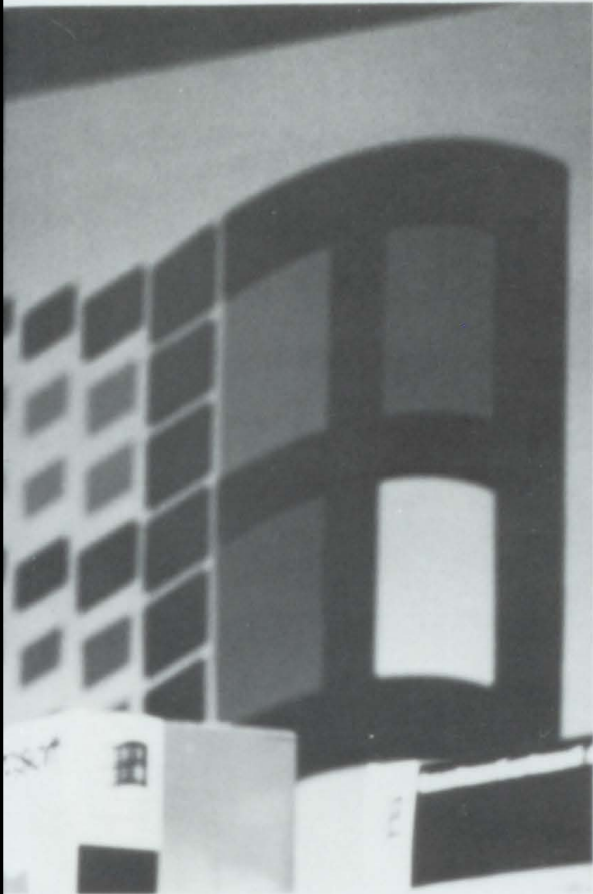


Charged with the murder of 11 people after the bombing of the federal building in Oklahoma City, Timothy McVeigh is taken into custody.

Bill Gates, chairman of Microsoft at only 39, made the headlines this year by introducing Windows '95, an upgrade to the very popular Windows software which is now on-line here at SHS.



Cal Ripken Jr. soars into the record books on September 6 when he broke Lou Gehrig's record of most consecutive games played-2153 to be precise.



Affirmative Action -is it becoming a policy of the past? Much discussion was held this year on its effectiveness.

Before the presentation of the roses to the Homecoming Royalty, the cheerleaders had technical difficulties with their music which made the '95 football captains edgy since they were missing the halftime pep-talk.



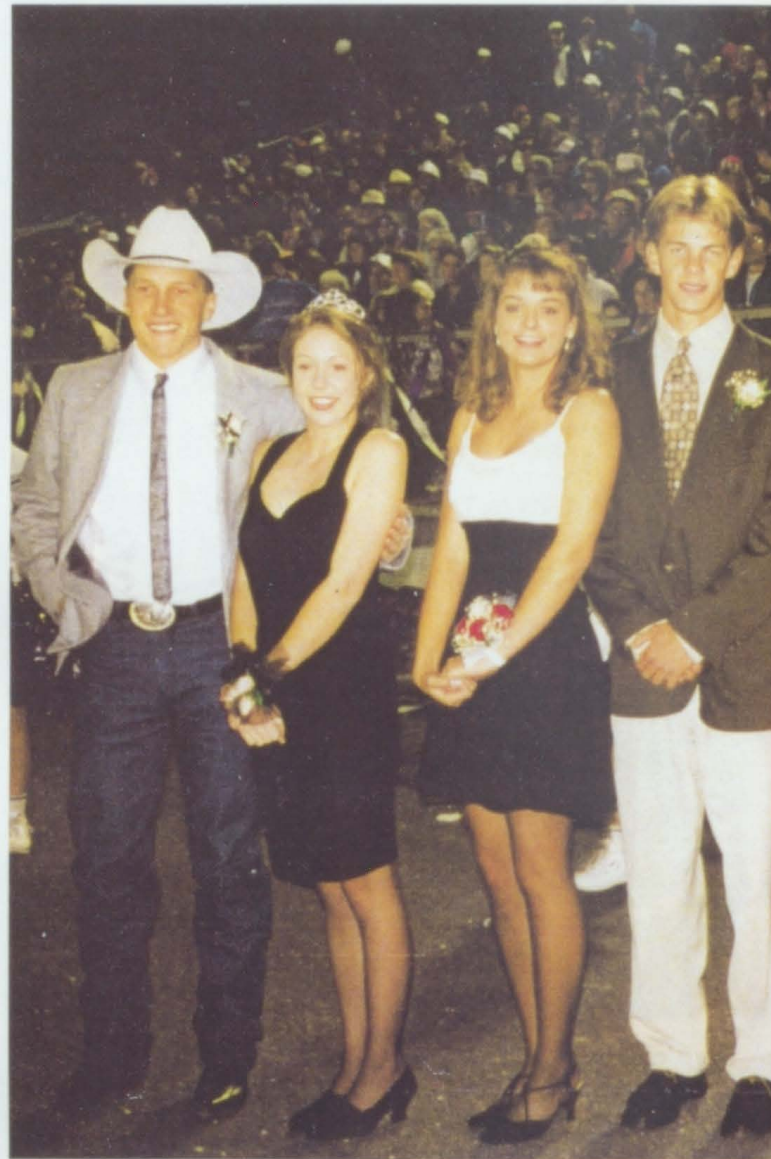
Higher Spirits Less Tradition

This year students found themselves in the midst of change. For the first time in years, Salida High celebrated its Homecoming without the traditional bonfire. Also absent this year was the popular lighting of "S" Mountain. Some say the effects of this will lead to the absence of another tradition, school spirit and pride, which were high this year.

Vandalism related to the making of the class floats may prompt some change, too. The theme this year for the floats was songs. Seniors were proud of their float which took first in the competition, and the freshman placed second. Lights on the football field, for the first time in over twenty years, made it possible to play the Homecoming game at night. The Spartans came out victorious over the Monte Vista Pirates with a score of 43-16. "The crowd was huge, and people were there with their faces painted and shirts off in the freezing cold, and that really pumped us up," said football captain Stephen Guccione.

The traditional ceremony of crowning the queen, who is Lezlie Faber, was held with candidates Gusti Argys, Dany Anderson, and Robyn Clark. A lot of school spirit was shown by the student body, and the seniors won the spirit stick. Even in the absence of the "Doom," students still showed a lot of spirit. Are more changes on the way?

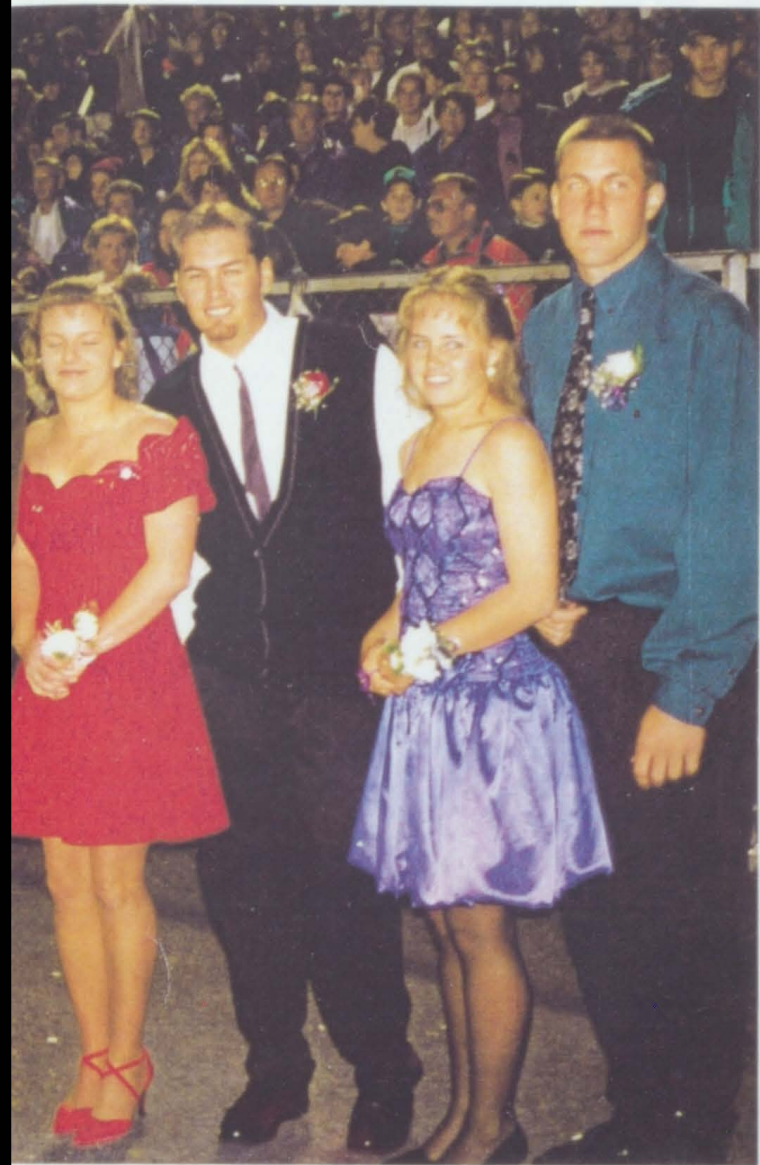
-by Sabrina Brown



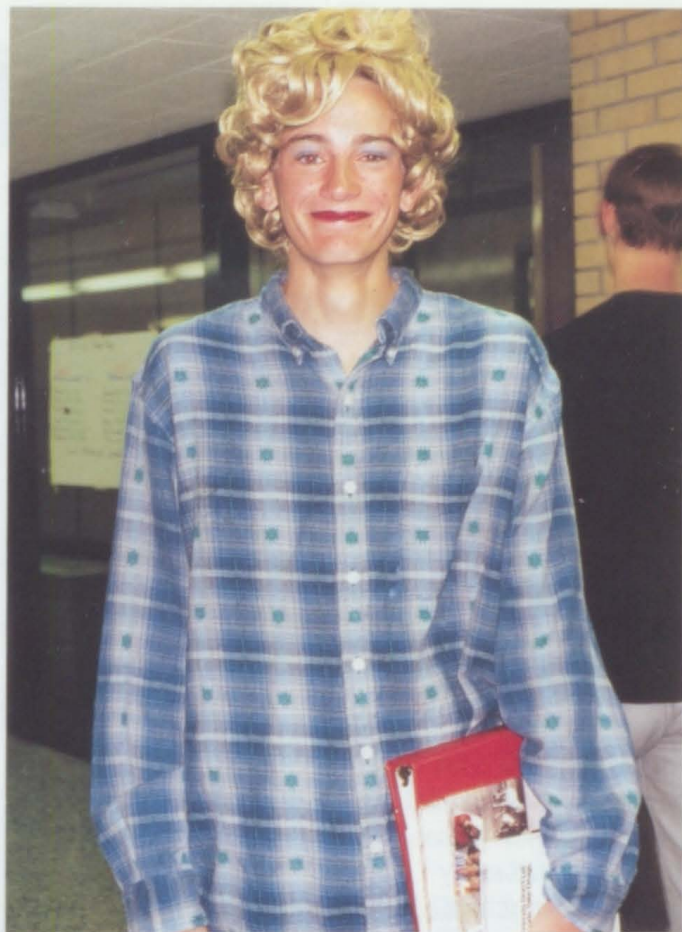
The Homecoming Queen and her court wait patiently for their roses, while game. From left to right: Jeff Post escorting Lezlie Faber, Gusti Argys with her escort David Rollins.



Lezlie Faber was definitely surprised while Dean Warren crowned her Queen.



their heels sink into the the cold ground, on the freezing night of the Homecoming escort Kody Ryff, Dany Anderson with escort Tom Truitt, and Robyn Clark with



Hello Darlin'! Aaron Blondeau expressed his spirit by dressing up for opposite sex day.



What a crazy idea for a hairdo! Darcy Curtis uses a coat hanger to sport the true "Pippy Longstocking" hair on crazy day.



Boy oh boy! Stephanie Tafoya, Jenny DeLuca, and Angie Reno, who are seniors, become boys on opposite sex day.

Clubs and

-by Lacey Schwitzer & Poppy Wyble

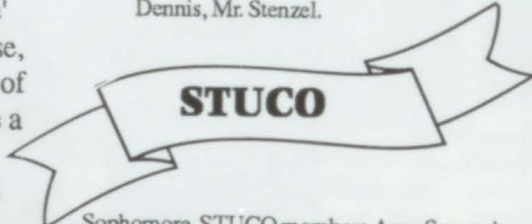
Student Council, our active student government helps out with many activities around school. For instance, they sell programs at football games, and fill the pop machines.

They had many goals this year. Senior student body president, Damy Anderson, said, "We built a box for comments for the student body so we can communicate with them. We wanted to try to promote more school spirit, but sometimes doing that is like trying to make world peace."

Students join STUCO for many reasons. Freshman class president Arame' Cantrell joined because, "I wanted to be a part of my class, and to make a change as a leader." Strong leadership and fresh ideas keeps STUCO at the pulse of the student body.



Top: Alicia Bond, Pat Guffy, Bob Edmonds, Jeff Pearson, Luke Sharpe, Jenni Thomas, Keith Clark. 2nd Row: Robyn Clark, Tami Unruh, Alison Nelson, Colleen Hemmert, Jamie Eggleston, Stephen Guccione, Erin Schmidt. 3rd Row: Amy Swantek, Angie Reno, Damy Anderson, Jenny DeLuca, Mandy Nelson. 4th Row: Jodi Quick, Summer Pine, Alanny Murdock, Arame' Cantrell, Andrea Dennis, Mr. Stenzel.



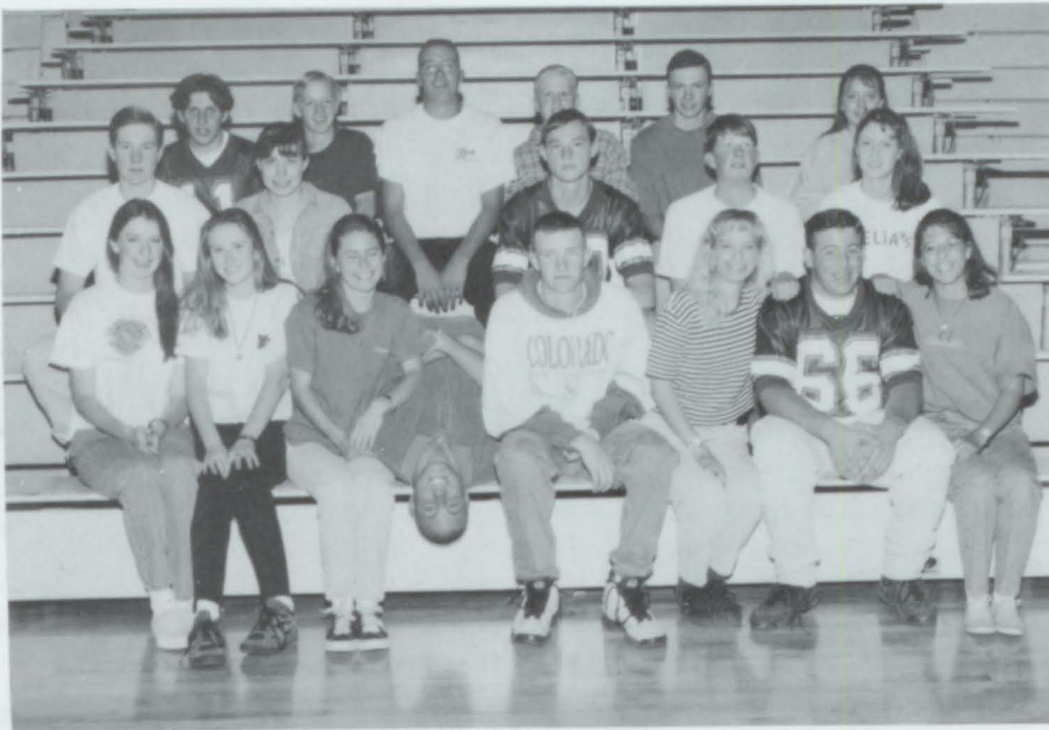
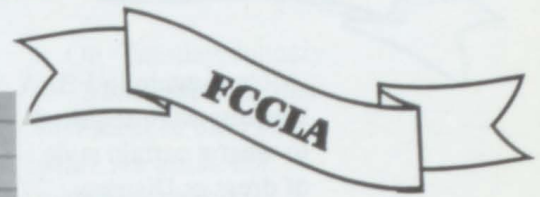
Sophomore STUCO members Amy Swantek and Jamie Eggleston introduce Freshman Brandon Turner to the workings of Salida High. This is the first year that STUCO handled Freshman Orientation.



STUCO officers: V.P. Stephen Guccione, Pres. Damy Anderson, Secretary Jenny DeLuca, and advisor Chuck Stenzel.

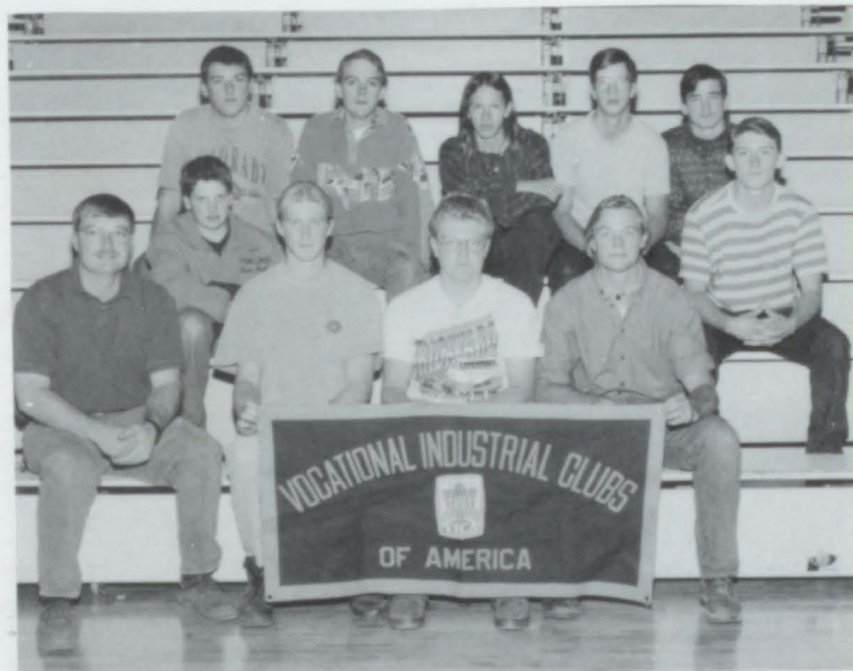


Organizations



Top: Jason Liswood, Corby Gunter, Tony Cicerelli, Jeremy Glasser, Nathan Johnson, Alysha Yarbrough, 2nd: Chad Nelson, Pam Hamilton, James DeCook, Amos Underwood, Shaavon Sagrillo 3rd: Sarah Underwood, Hannah Johnson, Laura Efird, David Rollins, Jim Littrell, Kim Kaspar, Pat Guffy, Jennifer McQuitty

This year FHA had a new name change. When asked, Junior, Hannah Johnson said, "We changed the name at state level to promote a new image." This year's name is now FCCLA. What does it stand for? Junior, Kim Kaspar, told us "FCCLA stands for Family Career Community Leaders of America." The club even had a few special plans for this year. Laura Efird, District President, said "We are going to a district conference in January, at which people will do projects to take to State."



Top: Brian Glovan, Jared Denison, Tony Pasquale, Wayne Hancock, Tom Mikesill 2nd: Tom Linza, Jason Batchelor, 3rd: Mr. Best, Eric Rudolph, Eric Dennis, Taylor Englert

VICA, Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, is a club for students in Auto shop who are interested in being in the club. This year the club got computers to help work on the cars. Senior, Jason Batchelor said, "Having computers makes work easier because it's more precise." They also take their work to State. Junior, Eric Dennis said, "We had more experience at State last year but I think we'll do pretty good this year."



FBLA

Once again in FBLA students were required to wear a certain style of dress at Districts. The girls had to wear sweaters and skirts, and the guys had to wear nice slacks, and nice shirts and ties. Senior Kevin Allen said, "I think the dress is good because it creates a professional environment, and prepares students for the business world." Sophomore Jodi Quick said that she thought FBLA would do really well at Districts this year because more information is available about what FBLA has to offer. They sold ads again this year for the winter sports programs. Senior Jim Littrell said, "The ads are going good, and the money raised pays for Districts and State."



18 * Clubs



Top: James DeCook, Dusty Grantham, Mira Hopkins, Brady Naccarato, Jodi Quick
 2nd: Erik Smith, Randal Christensen, Albert Lionelle, Jessica Donovan, Cammie Bergmann
 3rd: Rochelle Stenzel, Ryan Chelf, Jason Miller, B.J. Cicerelli, Kim Kaspar, Corby Gunter, Arame' Cantrell, Lacey Schwitzer, Melanie Cordova, 4th: Alanna Murdock, Mandy Nelson, Nick Boshinski, Jarrod Dodgen, Sean Butterfield, Keith Clark, Audrey Scanga, Lyndsey Mumma
 5th: Eryn Boshinski, Jenni Thomas, Sara Davis, Brenda Miller, Cari Friend, Mona Maestas, Amy Bailey, Susan Rollins, Cara Krajicek, 6th: Alicia Bond, Heather Lucero, Damy Anderson, Gusti Argys, Lezlie Faber, Mary Hillegas, Mrs. Stagner, 7th: Jaime Pizzino, Tracie Fear, Kevin Allen, Jimmy Littrell, Zach Cordova, Lyndsey Pergande

FLC

Salida High School had a variety of foreign exchange students this year. Many of whom were speakers for the Foreign Language Club. Junior, Jamie Miller said, "This year our guest speakers were Klaus Friede, Ulrika Nordlot, Benoit Pointet, and Pedro de Souza." Other exchange students were Meann Hui, and Eduardo Pedroso. Sophomore, Sharon Fortune said, "Many of the things they taught us were about their customs, country, and their beliefs."



Top: Abby Quillen, 2nd: Kate Sugaski, Ulrika Norlot, 3rd: Jolie Kahan, Anna Ward, Sharen Fortune, 4th: Amos Underwood, Tawnya Sheris, Kimmy England, Heather Potts, 5th: Mrs. Imwig, Sarah Underwood, Pam Hamilton, Jamie Miller, Melissa Dere



Top: Elizabeth Earl, Tina Ferrier, Chuck Wood, Nathan Johnson, Amos Underwood
 2nd: Megan Simpson, Kyle Davidson, Andy Burkhart, Wes Dobson, Mr. Sanger
 3rd: James DeCook, Sarah Underwood, Laura Efird, Rachel Donovan, Albert Lionelle
 Jerry Cummings, 4th: Jason Liswood, Sean Butterfield, Tom Truitt, Preston Broadfoot

Knowledge Bowl

On Tuesday, January 23, Matchwits had their first meet of the 1996 year. As usual, the meet was held in Pueblo, Colorado. In the first round of the meet Salida did really well, but in the end the score was 200, Cotopaxi, to 115, Salida. The high scoring came from 10 point and 20 point questions.

Knowledge Bowl has already had three matches this year.. The first one was held in Delta , where Salida placed 15th. Due to other circumstances, no one showed up to the second match held in Salida. The third match was held in Centauri, and Salida placed fourth. With the experience and knowledge this club is gaining, and with only five seniors graduating, Knowledge Bowl and Matchwits should be strong contenders for the '96-97 school year.



James DeCock, Jason Liswood, Amos Underwood, Mr. Sanger.



Matchwits RODEO

Top: Jared Denison, Dusty Grantham, Jess Edmiston.
 2nd Row: Austin Koch, Michelle Palmer, Jennifer Aldrich, Steve Hall, Casey Prentiss. Not pictured: Jaimee Eggleston, Tate Scanga, Tom Linza, Doug Defelice.

Colorado Close-up

Each year, members of Colorado Close-up travel to Denver to look closely at the workings of state government. Senior Jill Martin said, "The trip will be on Feb. 4-6." Senior Tanya Cox added, "We plan on observing the Senate and Congress, and hopefully we'll be having breakfast with Colorado senators and the governor.

An addition to this year is the Presidential Classroom. These students, who will all be graduating, are planning on going to Washington D.C. to learn more about government on the national level. The trip is scheduled for this summer.



Top: Corinne Stasco, Preston Broadfoot, Tom Truitt. 2nd row: Abby Quillen, Tracie Fear, Jamie Pizzino, Kate Sugaski, Sara Ward. 3rd row: Pam Hamilton, Sarah Underwood, Kim Kaspar. 4th row: Tanya Cox, Jill Martin, Rachel Donovan.

Presidential Classroom



Top: Preston Broadfoot, Tom Truitt, Amanda Dyer, Abby Quillen, Kate Sugaski, Sara Ward.



20 * Clubs

All smiles, as they anticipate their trip to Denver in February, are senior Colorado Close-up members Tanya Cox and Rachel Donovan. The girls, along with the other members, give up many early mornings in preparation for the trip.

S CLUB

"S" Club is one of the biggest clubs here at Salida High. "S" Club recognizes students for their academic and athletic achievements. Junior Jason Miller says, "(We) support the athletes and bring up good spirit." Many students think this club will help them in the future. Senior David Rollins feels, "It's going to make me feel good about working with other people and in teams to help the community as a whole."



Top: Sam Minnis, Pedro Souza, Crystal Stotler, Nick Boshinski, Stefan Veltri, Erin Schmidt, Cari Friend, Corinne Stasco, Jimmy Littrell, Kody Ryff. 2nd Row: Alicia Bond, Pat Guffy, Kevin Allen, Kyle Swartz, Jason Miller, Desirae Warren, Nicole Will, Melissa Dere. 3rd Row: Kristin Kotowski, Jared Best, Sara Davis, Kristy Kalivoda, Colleen Hemmert, Brenna Miller, B.J. Cicerelli, Tim Edmonds. 4th Row: Scott Norton, Nick Cordova, Dustin Dague, Tate Scanga, Sarah Underwood, Hannah Johnson, Tami Unruh, Katie Lusero, Nick Christensen, Leah Adkins. 5th Row: Jason Palmer, Tracie Fear, Denise McBeth, Ryan Johnson, Tricia Jones, Zach Cordova, Austin Chrestensen, Mandy Thomas, Heather Georgi, Mona Maestas. 6th Row: David Rollins, Jeff Pearson, Dany Anderson, Gusti Argys, Lezlie Faber, Darcy Curtis, Angie Reno, Mary Hillegas. 7th Row: Cory Smith, Bob Edmonds, Robyn Clark, Stephen Guccione, Dean Warren, John-Paul Keserich, Tony Cicerelli.



"S" Club members clean up the downtown windows after Homecoming. Fortunately, the weather this year made the task quite pleasant. Robyn Clark, Pat Guffy, and, wiping soap out of her ear, Erin Schmidt, take care of one side of the Fresh Ideas complex.



On the other side of Fresh Ideas are sophomores Leah Adkins, Sara Davis, Tami Unruh, and Senior Krystal Phillips scrubbing off the shoe polished words of encouragement placed there by the cheerleaders.

KEY CLUB

Key Club does many projects throughout the year. Junior Stefan Veltri said, "During Halloween, we will be participating in the Halloween party at Longfellow and also during Easter, we will be helping with the Easter egg hunt at the courthouse. We pretty much do what Kiwanis Club wants help with." The Kiwanis Club and Key Club are closely related organizations. President Crystal Stotler said, "They're our sponsor and when we need ideas, they help us out."

NHS

NHS, National Honor Society, requires that students have good grades in order to be nominated for admission. Second semester juniors can be inducted. A selection committee of teachers arranges nominations. A grade point average of 3.35 is minimal for qualification. The club discusses NHS scholarships. The students have to raise the money for these scholarships. In previous years they have gone to Denver Imax and the Denver Museum. They would like to be able to organize a trip later this year.



Top: Sienna Brandon, Christen Snyder, Renee' Dere, Erin Arnett. 2nd Row: Dorothy Nay, Randa Ford, Kylie Holmes, Colleen Hemmert, Robyn Clark, Brenda Kelso, Amy Swantek. 3rd Row: Shaavon Sagrillo, Cassie Hermann, April Matveia, Jennifer McQuitty, Heather Jackson, Tami Unruh, Jaimee Eggleston, Misty Stotler. 4th Row: Katie Lusero, Lesley Reno, B.J. Cicerelli, Tony Cicerelli, Dean Warren, Stefan Veltri, Nick Cordova. 5th Row: Mindy Margos, Alison Nelson, Jarrod Dodgen, Kim Kaspar, Corby Gunther, Ian Grammatica, Angie Reno. 6th Row: Heather Georgi, Alicia Bond, Jenni Thomas, Mandy Nelson, Mona Maestas, Amy Bailey, Susan Rollins. 7th Row: Mandy Thomas, Jim Littrell, Gusti Argys, Lezlie Faber, Mary Hillegas, Melissa Dere, Crystal Stotler.



Top: Mr. Thorgesen. 2nd Row: Damy Anderson, Erin Schmidt, Cory Smith, Ryan Johnson, Tracie Fear, Jeff Pearson, Jess Edmiston. 3rd Row: Lezlie Faber, Kody Ryff, Rachel Donovan, Tanya Cox, Abby Quillen, Sara Ward. 4th Row: David Rollins, Mandy Thomas, Heather Georgi, Kate Sugaski, Bob Edmonds.



Top: Mr. Farney. 2nd Row: April Matveia, Hannah Johnson. 3rd Row: Jason Miller, Corinne Stasco, Preston Broadfoot. 4th Row: Mandy Thomas, Heather Georgi.

ART CLUB

Mr. Farney's Art club is for all students who either know how to draw excellently or want to improve their drawing skills. Junior Corinne Stasco said, "I like art because it's fun to express myself." This club has money-making projects for their art pins, and takes field trips that are art oriented. Students painted faces and other portraits at a football game this season. According to Mr. Farney, "Art club does not go to competition, that's just for art students."

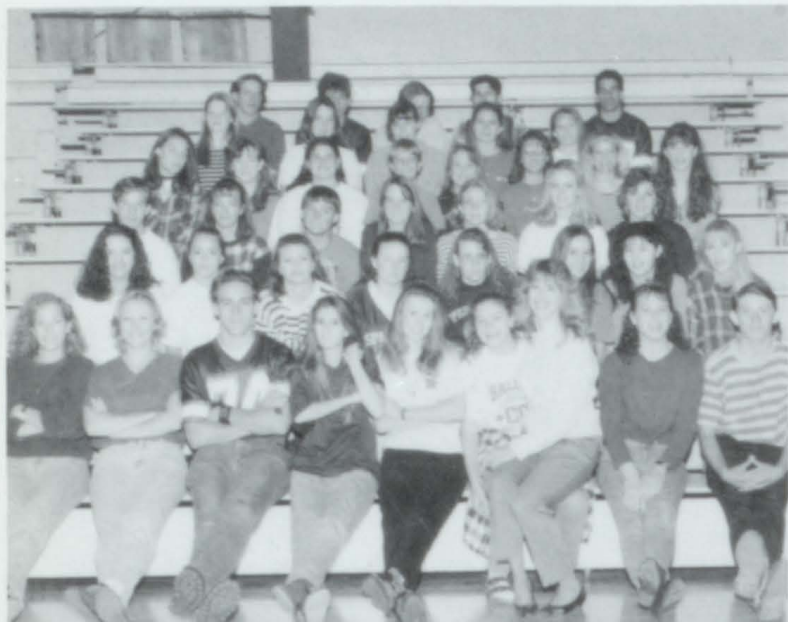


Top: Heather Lucero, Gusti Argys (yeah right!). 2nd Row: Elizabeth Earl, Kate Sugaski, Abby Quillen. 3rd Row: Jerry Cummings, Albert Lionelle, James DeCock.

SCIENCE

Mr. Hansen's Science club did many special projects this year, as in the past. Junior Elizabeth Earl said "Every year we take ski trips to St. Elmo and we sponsor a science magic show at Longfellow." When asked about the club's activities, Senior Abby Quillen added, "Mainly all we do is have guest speakers come in and talk about different things. One year a guy came in and talked about wolves." Although small, this club stays active.

Top: Justin Hillis, Lars Thorgesen, Josh Hillis, Zach Lewis, Albert Lionelle. 2nd: Kylie Holmes, Sarah Underwood, Pam Hamilton, Laura Efird, Mindy Margos. 3rd: Megan Simpson, Leah Adkins, Barbara Gerlach, Cory Thorpe, Tawyna Sheris, Jennifer McQuitty, Kim Kaspar, Jenni Thomas. 4th: Dan Hillegas, Jill Martin, Nick Batchelor, Heather Potts, Megan Eggert, Dannie Christensen, Elizabeth Earl. 5th: Melissa Dere, Katie Lusero, Dany Anderson, Tina Ferrier, Amy Bashton, Crystal Smith, Kristy Stenzel, Mira Hopkins. 6th: Heather Kingston, Tanya Cox, Wilen Hopkins, Stephani Purcell, Hannah Johnson, Darcy Curtis, Mrs. Curran, Amy Cure, Jason Batchelor.



Talent Abounds

-by Darcy Curtis



Places everyone!

Drama Club has their act together this year. On November 17 and 18, they performed their Evening of One Act plays: "Staying Home," "The Winter of 1917," and "If Girls Asked Boys for Dates." The plays were judged by community people affiliated with theatre. "Staying Home" was chosen as the play to send on to Intermountain League competition. Stephani Purcell and Zach Lewis were awarded Best Actress and Actor awards that night.

On March 16, "Staying Home" went to IML competition at Adams State. The play received three 2nd place awards and one 1st place award, the best performance

the Club has had in years at IML.

This year's Spring production was the two-act comedy, "Here Comes the Judge." The play cast 22 members. Defendants included young teens accused of making too much noise and a bag lady accused of shoplifting. The judge had just recuperated from his shock therapy. A dognapper and his girlfriend reaked havoc in the courtroom but eventually peace was restored.

New this year was the senior play production in the Spring. With over ten seniors, it was their last chance to all perform together before they went their separate ways after graduation. With a membership of over 50, the club continues to grow and be innovative.



"That noise you make is filled with dirty words and filthy notes too!" exclaims Darcy Curtis with Jill Martin, Sheth LaRue, Heather Kingston, and Megan Simpson.

"Judge, are you ok?" Josh Hillis and Jennifer McQuitty watch as Justin Hillis takes the gun from Tanya Cox, while Judge Knott, Lars Thorgesen, recuperates.



With a smooch, Stephani Purcell and Jason Batchelor and cast go to IML with the play "Staying Home."



Jill Martin as Zach Lewis's mom in "If Girls Asked Boys," reminisces about her dating years.

During the traditional cast party following a performance, Darcy Curtis, Justin Hillis, Dannie Christensen, and Wilen Hopkins unwind after the tension and nervousness.



"I didn't want to do this," were Queen Heather Lucero's initial feelings when told she was nominated as a queen candidate. Fortunately she remained a candidate and the student body selected her as Queen.



THE BIGGEST WINTERFEST EVER!

This year's Winterfest activities was cut short due to a four day week. There were also other changes made to this year's festivities. During the pep assembly on Friday, there were no signs made for class comp, and the traditional class competition cheer was omitted. With much controversy surrounding our conduct in the auditorium during assemblies, student behavior has been carefully monitored. Student council stepped in to help the cheerleaders with the decorating.

Winterfest Queen, Heather Lucero and her court were presented at Friday's basketball game against the Centauri Falcons. Both the boys and girls varsity teams lost; however, this didn't lessen the spirit for Saturday night's dance. Mr Stenzel, STUCO sponsor, said, "This was the biggest turnout I've seen, both money-wise and student turnout. Homecoming was the same way." STUCO raised \$450.00 at the dance and there were over 100 students at midnight still dancing.

Even with the pep assembly concerns, overall it was a very spirited week and a successful dance. If only we had won the games, then it would have been a truly eventful week.

-by Jenni Thomas & Alicia Bond



A picture is worth a thousand words and sophomore Amy Swantek and junior Josh Criswell's embrace tells how much they are enjoying the dance.



During the pep assembly honoring Wintersports, junior April Matveia and the other cheerleaders leave their traditional uniforms at home and cheer in more casual attire. It is only during the spirit weeks that hats are allowed, so why not cheer with them?

At half time of the boys basketball game against Centauri, the queen and her court are presented to the crowd. Nervous knees from left to right are: Jenny DeLuca, Ian Grammatica, Crystal Stotler, Stefan Veltri, Stephani Tafoya, Kevin Allen, Queen Heather Lucero, and John-Paul Keserich.



Sophomores Erin Arnett and Sienna Brandon kick up their heels and just have a good time listening to the music.

How many guys get to escort two ladies to prom? Sr. Jeff Pearson had the privilege of accompanying Srs. Dany Anderson and Gusti Argys. As they dance to the Cotton-eyed Joe, Sr. Tina Ferrier joins in.



Romance Under the Stars

-by Kristen Kotowski & Lesley Reno



Under a blanket of snow might have been more appropriate for the prom theme this year. Never trust April weather. Instead, the theme for Prom '96 was "Under the Stars." (It did stop snowing by evening, fortunately.)

Working throughout the week prior to prom on April 13, the juniors created an enchanting replica of an evening "Under the Stars." "We had good class participation of the juniors who were there," according to junior class President, Alicia Bond.

Clay Walker's "Hypnotize the Moon" was played when queen Lezlie Faber and king Steven Guccione were crowned and danced the traditional dance. As far as the music went, some felt that more slow songs should've been played.

After prom ended at the Chaffee County Fairgrounds, Casino night was held at Larimer gym until about 4:30 a.m. Many different games, refreshments, and prizes were available. "I think the prizes were good and almost everyone won something," said freshmen Arame' Cantrell who was the recipient of a t.v., courtesy of boyfriend Kody Ryff. Overall, the juniors pulled off an enjoyable evening for all "Under the Stars."

-by Kristen Kotowski & Lesley Reno



Queen Lezlie Faber and King Steven Guccione dance to Clay Walker's "Hypnotize the Moon." Like his brother before him, Steven carries on the Guccione tradition of being Prom king.



Jr. Pam Hamilton was one of the many who helped contribute to the decorating success. Cutting those streamers took a lot of time.



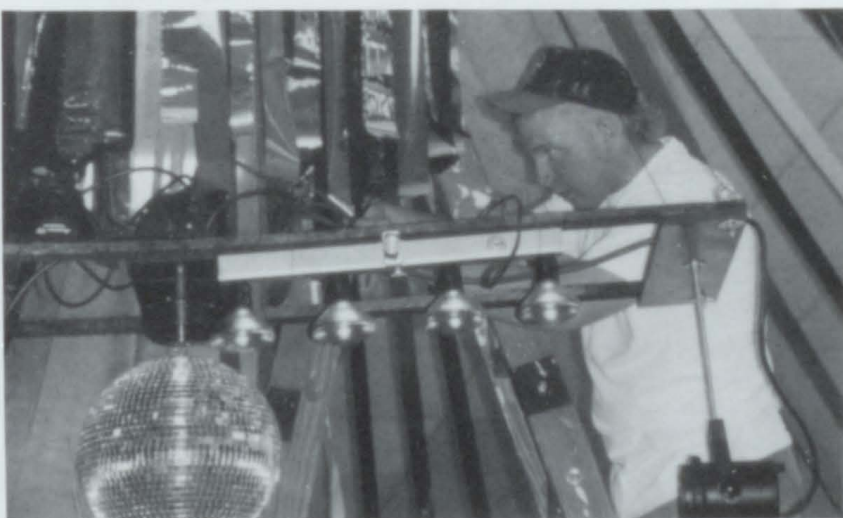
"I'm having so much fun," is how Fr. Arame' Cantrell feels about attending the prom with her date, Sr. Kody Ryff.



Bingo I won! Jr. Jeremy Glasser beats his opponent Soph. Eryn Boshinski during the Casino night festivities.

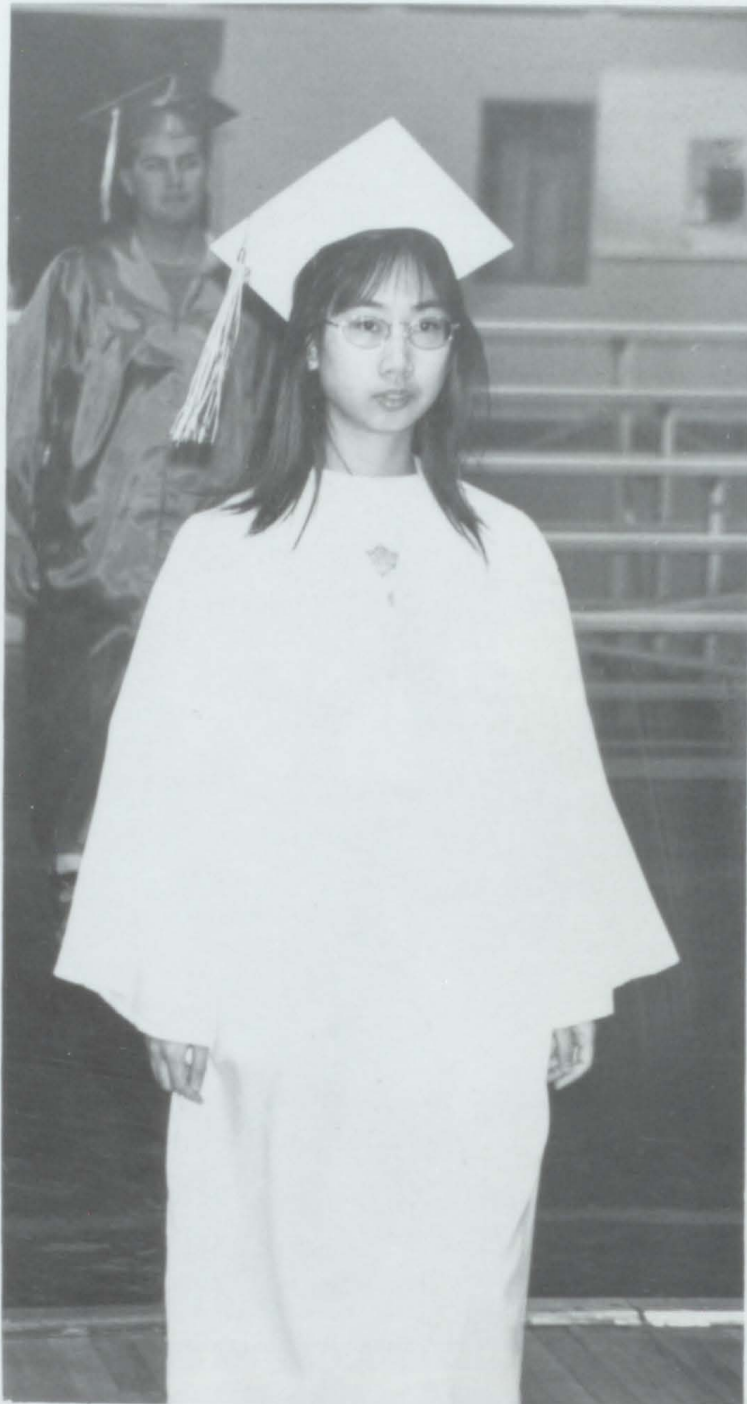


"We're taking a snack break." Jr. Stefan Veltri and Fr. Alison Nelson relax in between dances and also enjoy the food.



Precision. Cutting those streamers so that they hang evenly was no easy job, not to mention the danger of being up on that step ladder. Jr. Josh Criswell handles the task well and the streamers were straight!

Exchange student Meann Hui closes her foreign year at Salida High with the graduates.



Walking down the aisle at the beginning of the ceremony are Angie Reno and Darcy Curtis, thinking back on their four fast years.

Bob Edmonds and Jess Edmiston receive their diplomas and seem relieved that their high school days are over. How fast they went by!



"Breaking on Through"

by Kristin Kotowski & Lester Reno

On May 24, 1996 at 8 pm, the class of 1996 "Broke on Through to the Other Side" at their commencement exercises. Seniors felt many mixed emotions as they each received their diplomas. The feelings of anticipation, uncertainty and unbelievability were shared by all the graduates.

Jenny DeLuca said, "It's weird because one day I was a freshman and before I knew it, I was a graduate." Angie Reno stated "I'm glad it's over with, but I'm reluctant to leave my friends behind. I'm unsure of what's out there, but I'm ready for the real world." Ready or not, 100 Seniors broke on through to another stage of their lives. Although they will be missed we hope they will succeed.

Valedictorian Rachel Donovan proudly announces the other speakers.



Jenny DeLuca proudly accepts her Student Council Leadership Award and the Neal Merthing scholarship award.



The reality of "No more high school" has set in for Casey Prentiss as he thinks about his future.

David Rollins gets excited to make his presentation. He always has a smile for everyone.

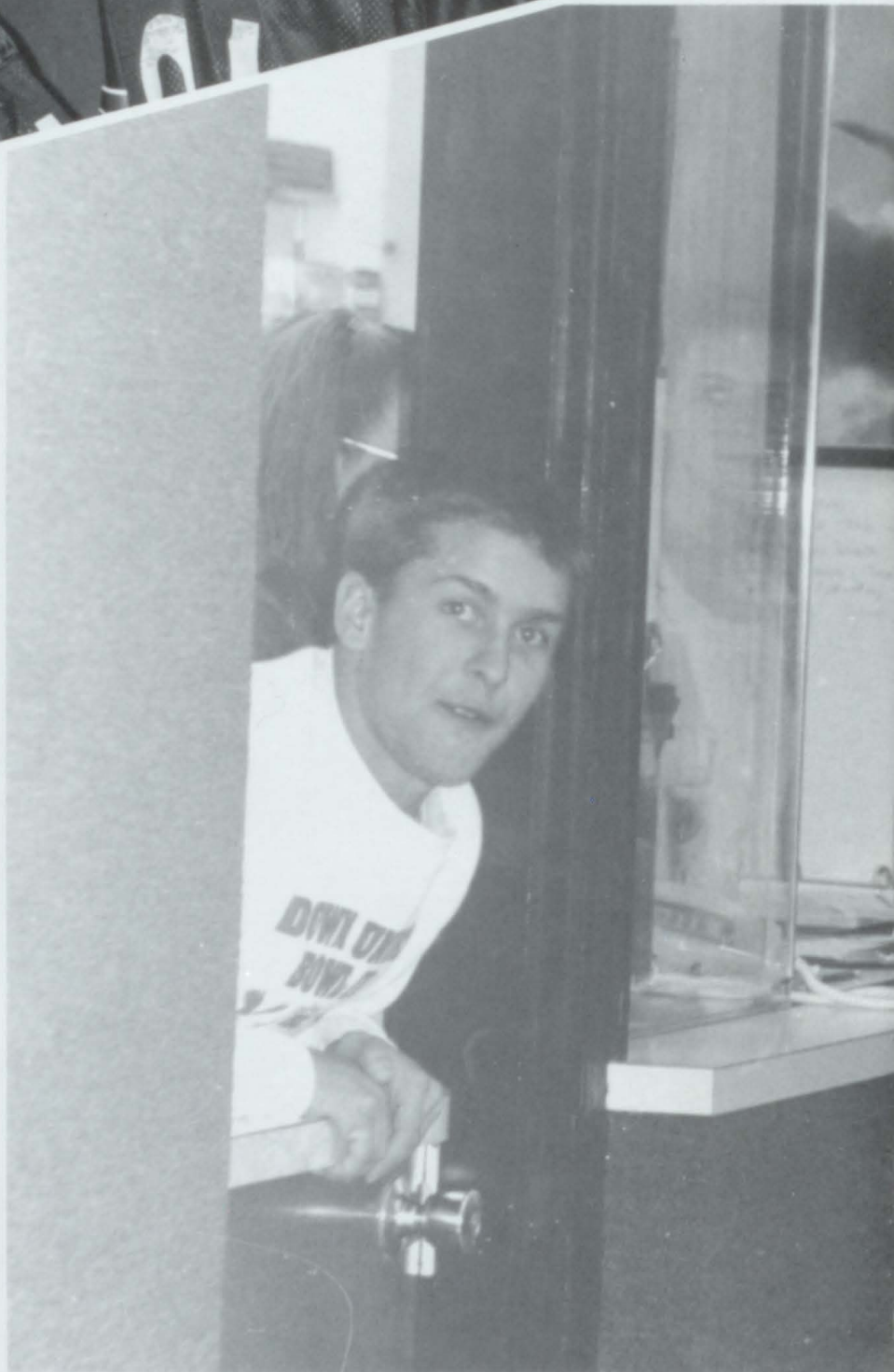


Freshman Poppy Wyble and Jr. Matt Daley dress alike for team day during Homecoming.



Muscle-man Sr. Zach Cordova flexes his biceps.

32* People



High Profiles

-by Kristin Kotowski

High profiles with a whole lot of attitude—that's us. SHS students strive to be the best of the best when it comes to style and profiling our personalities. We were profiled quite a bit this year, both good and bad. All of our many achievements and successes were highly profiled, as usual. Yet this year we received a lot of bad publicity and were perceived poorly in the public eye. The actions of just a few of us acting up in the local stores and restaurants, made us

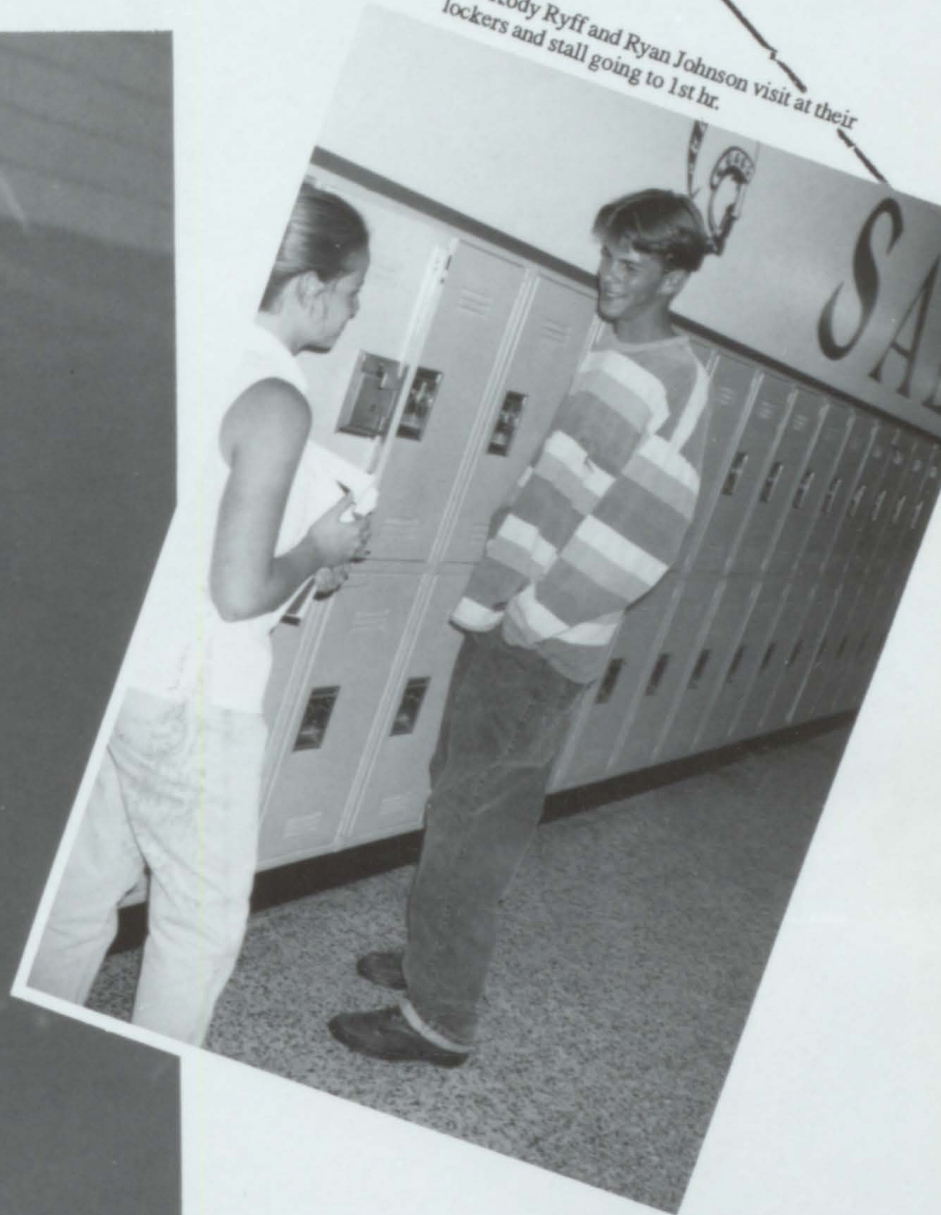
all look bad. Many of us took offense to this negative profiling and we spoke up about it.

As Salida continues to grow, we will experience many changes and more high profiling. We have the attitude and spirit that make us the Spartans and we will grow with all these new changes and continue to be the best that we can be. It's that mountain spirit.

Srs. Tanya Cox, Heather Kingston and Jill Martin ham it up on the newly renovated Steam Plant bridge.



Srs. Kody Ryff and Ryan Johnson visit at their lockers and stall going to 1st hr.



The office doors have been cut in half this year to allow them to be both open yet closed at the same time. Sr. Steven Guccione hangs out of one of them in between doing his 7th hr. office aide duties while Sr. Denise McBeth makes an all important phone call.

Is it a Dead End or a New Beginning?

The Sr. Class Officers: Jeff Pearson-Pres., Robyn Clark-V.P., Erin Schmidt-Secretary.

Some may see a sign that reads "Dead End," and others can see a world of new beginnings. Many seniors think that their final year at Salida High School has come way too soon, but on the other hand people have already started to say good-bye. Dany Anderson added, "One day I was picking out my favorite Barbie, and now colleges. My feelings range from being excited to being scared to death." This is the time when people choose friends for life, and idols whom they will always cherish. Many memories were made at Salida High School that will never be forgotten.



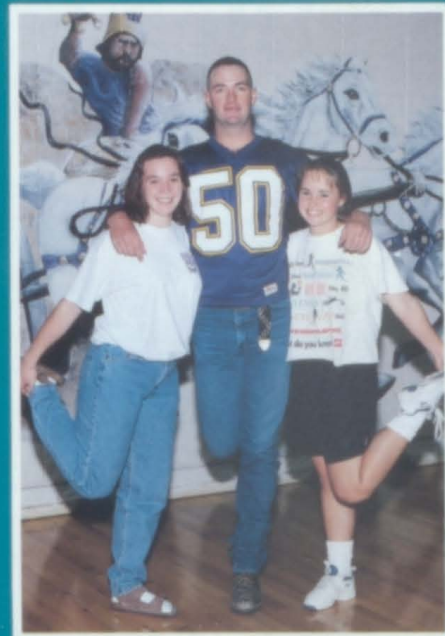
Is Danny McBride-Hall dreaming about graduation or is there a bug on the ceiling? Nick Cicero's not sure either.

Angie Reno just might be thinking it's kind of stuffy in here.

by-Gusti Argys

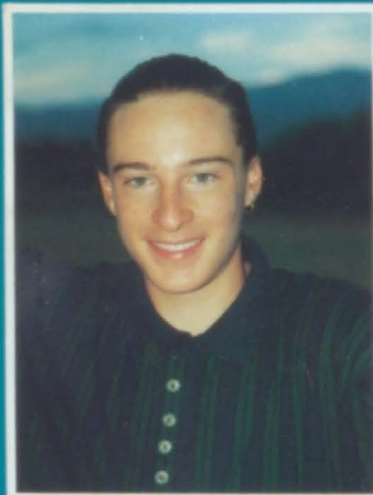


Steven Guccione holds up the glass.



Tony Cicerelli shows off his shorts and shoes for Erin Schmidt, Dany Anderson, Crystal Stotler, Lezlie Faber, Gusti Argys, and Stephani Tafoya.

Presenting the Class of 1996



Kevin Michael Allen



Shauna M. Alloy

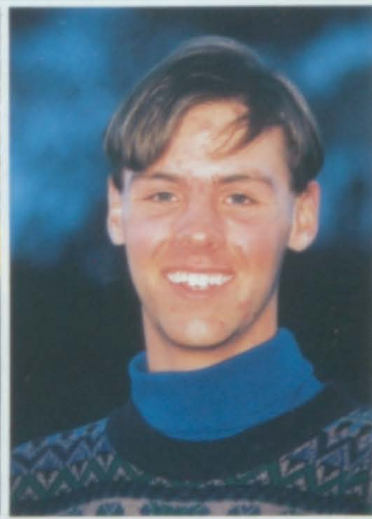
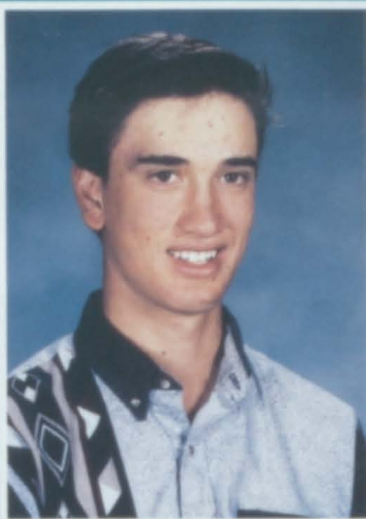


Dany Rae Anderson



Gusti Sharlene Argys

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Jared Best

Robert William Block

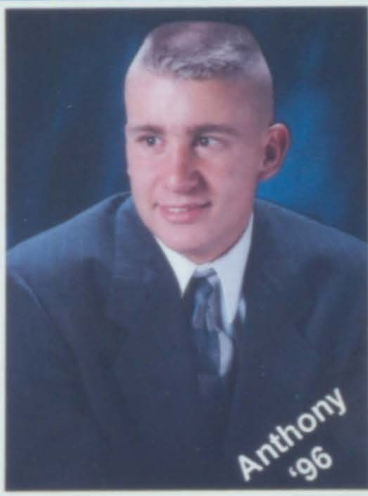
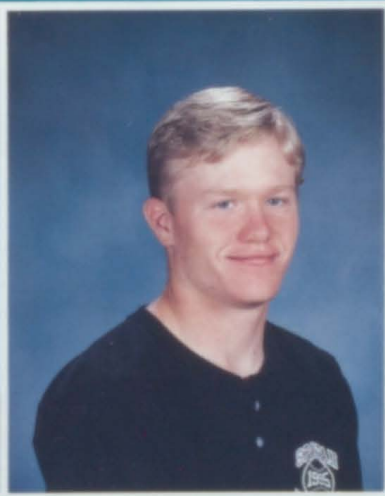
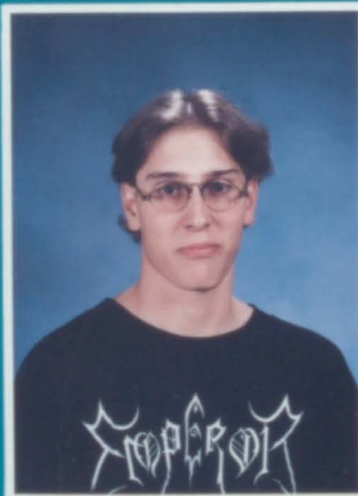


Paul Bohochik

Michael Jed Brazil

Ryan Cole Cannon

Lisa Cardenelli



Nick Chavez

Austin Chrestensen

Anthony J. Ciccerelli

Robyn Renee Clark



Kevin Allen

Dear Kevin,
Congratulations! We wish you a happy and successful future. May God bless you.

P.S. Remember the condo and the car.

With Love,
Mom and Dad



Ryan Cannon

Dear Ryan,
Congratulations on completing High School. You have been a joy to be around.

We love you very much,
Mom and Dad



Gusti Argys

Dear Gusti,
You have brought us much joy and have made us very proud of you. Always remember nothing in life that is worthy, is ever too hard to achieve. Climb till your dreams come true.

We love you very much,
Love Mom and Dad



Tony Cicerelli

Dear Tony,
Do not be chained to this earth by the nay-sayers. Trust and believe in yourself to reach beyond the stars for your goal and you will SUCCEED.

We love you,
Dad, Mom, and B.J.



Bobby Block

Hey Bobby,
Congratulations! You made it! Through all the ups and downs we've been behind you. You've made it a great ride.

Love,
Mom-Dad-Bonny



Robyn Clark

Dear Robyn,
Congratulations on your success and graduation at SHS. We are very proud of you!
We love you,

Mom and Dad



Paul Bohochik

Dear Paul,
Only yesterday you were our little boy. Now you have grown into our handsome young man. With the Lord's help you can accomplish all that he wants for you.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Chad Clarkson

Dear Chad,
Congratulations! Your whole life is before you. Put God first in your life and you will succeed.

We love you!
Mom, Dad, Grandma Re, Grandma Faye, Chris, and Cyrus.



Tanya Cox

Tanya,
Did you ever know
that your my hero, and
everything I'd like to be? I can
fly higher than an eagle cause
you are the wind beneath my
wings.

Love Mom



Bob Edmonds

Bob,
Letting go is harder
than we ever imagined: but this
is a new and exciting beginning
for you. Go make your dreams
come true. God will guide you,
and we'll always be here. You've
made us so proud - Congratula-
tions!

We love you,
Dad, Mom, Tim,
and Stephanie



Dustin Dague

Dustin,
Thanks for all the
memories, the laughs, and even
the tears. Always keep that
smile and your sense of humor.
We love you.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Lezlie Faber

Lezlie,
May your trust in
God, love of others, and zeal for
life always remain. Your
compassion, strength, and
happiness has blessed us all.

Love,
Dad, Mom, Keelie,
and Will



Jenny DeLuca

Congratulations Jenny,
We are very proud of
you. May God bless and guide
you in your future adventures
with life.

We love you,
Mom and Dad



Sarah Finney



Melissa Dere

Dear Melissa,
Congratulations!
We are so very proud of you.
Always follow your dreams.

Love,
Dad, Mom, and
Renee



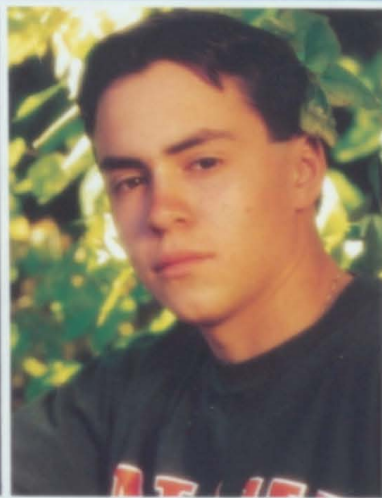
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Steve,
Wishing you a bright
future, and I hope you fullfil
all your dreams.

Love,
Your Father Gino
and Your Brother
Chris



Chad Clarkson



Nick Cordova



Zachary D. Cordova



Tanya Lynn Cox



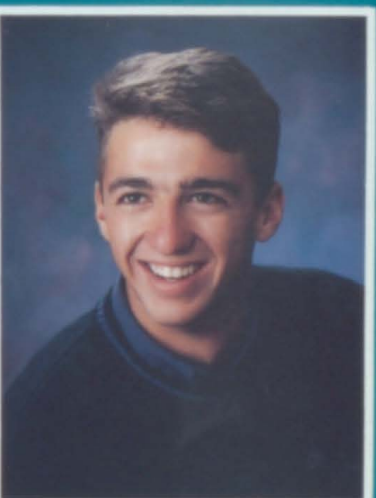
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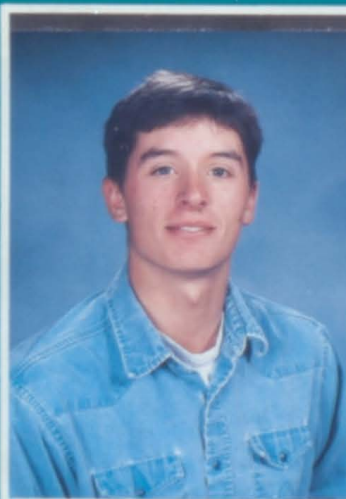
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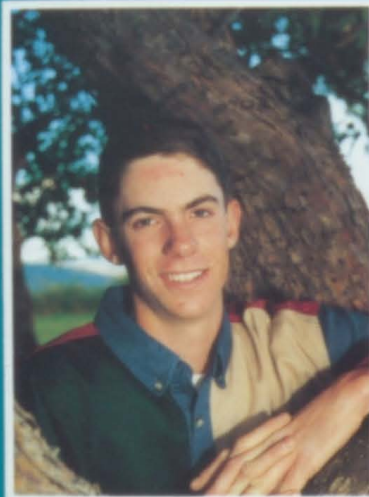


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Chrissy Downare

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Jess Robert Edmiston

Robert M. Edmonds

Lezlie Shea Faber

Tracie Ann Fear

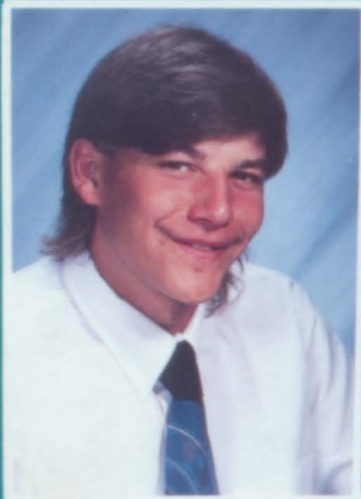


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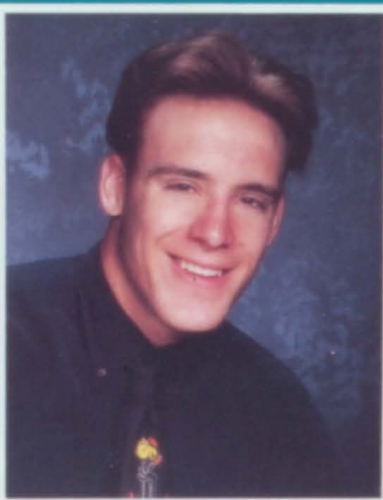
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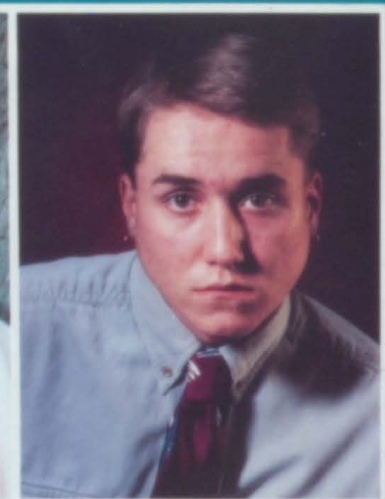
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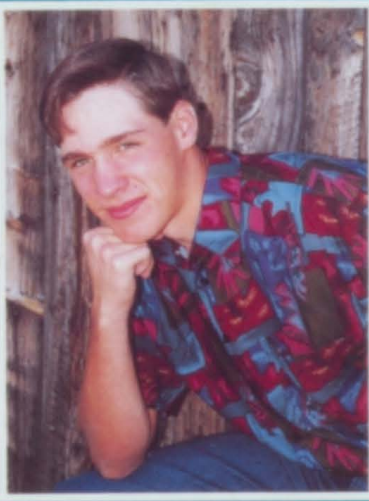
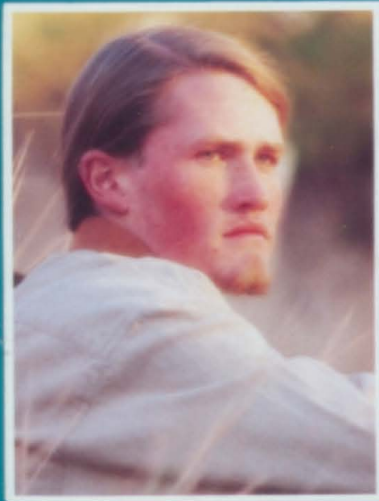
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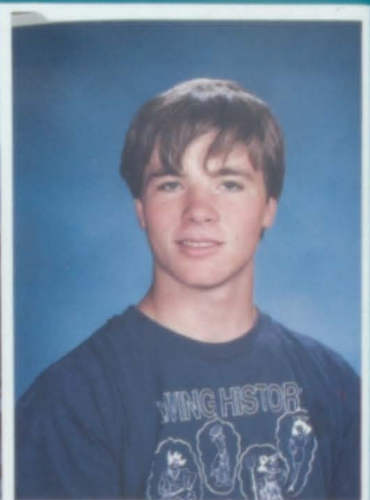
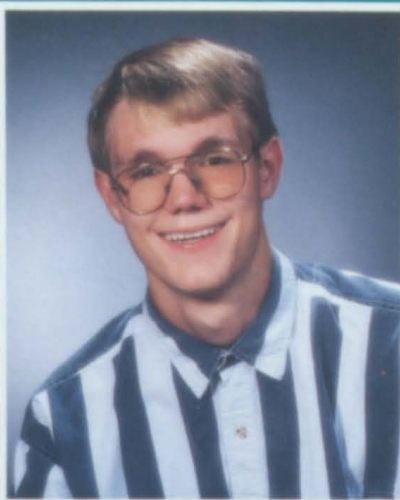
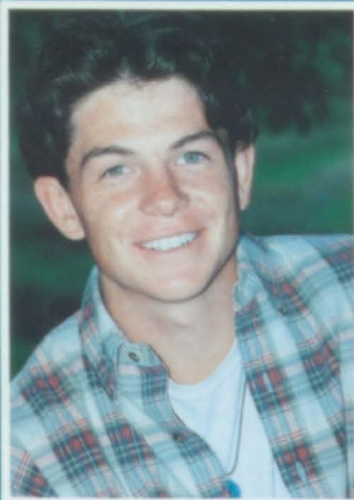
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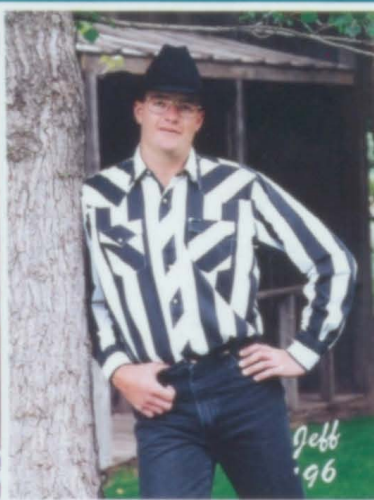
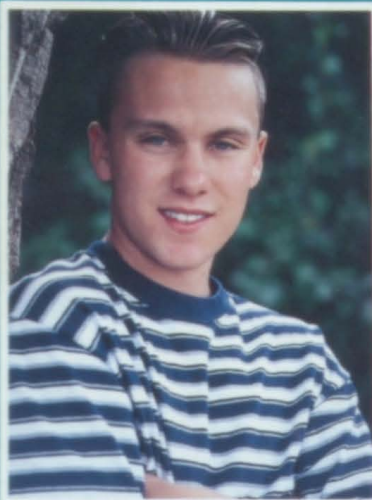


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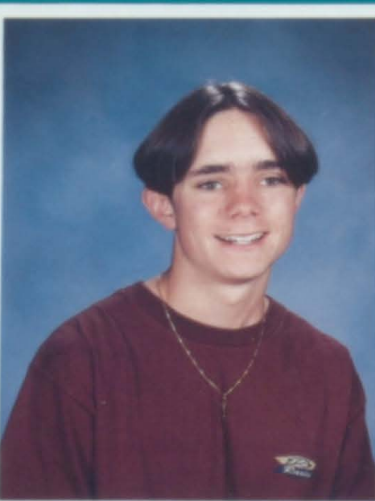


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Krystal Philips



Jaime Pizzino

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Casey W. Prentiss

Stephanie Purcell

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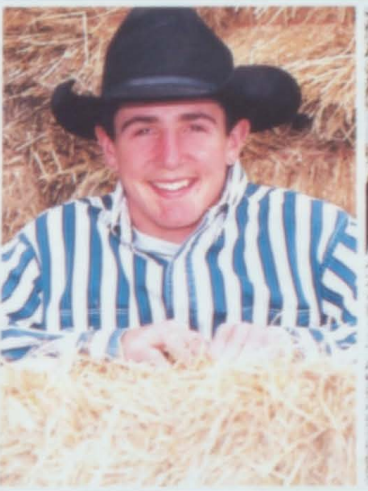
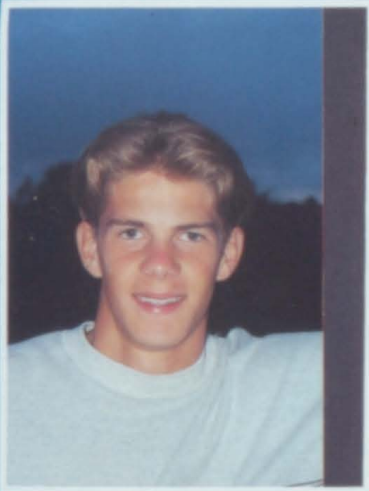


Angela Lyn Reno

Bobbi Jo Rich

David Michael Rollins

Regan Rule



Rody Lance Ryff

Edward Tate Scanga

Erin Schmidt

Cory Smith



Kristy Stenzel

Crystal Stotler Kathleen Mercier Sugaski Stephanie Tafoya



Danny McBride-Hall

Dear Danny,
We are so proud of you and all you have done. Follow your dreams.

We love you,
Mom, Dad, Josh,



Jimmy Littrell

Jimmy,
A dash of sweetness, pinch of fun, a cup of love, then he was done. He simply chose to bless us by giving us a son like you. We are very proud of you Jimmy.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Mary Hillegas

Dear Mary,
How quickly the years have passed! You are a beautiful gift to us. Congratulations on all your accomplishments.

God bless you abundantly and always.

We love you and are very proud of you,
Mom, Dad, Mike, Dan, and Ann



Scott Norton

Scottie Allen,
You did not want to go to school because it was so boring! But, nothing with you has ever been boring! You're graduating and I am very proud of you, you are a wonderful person.

Love,
Mom



Ryan Johnson

Dearest Ryan,
Words cannot express how proud I am of the beautiful young lady you have become. May God bless you and always be with you in all that you do.

Much love always,
Mom



Lindsay Pergande

Dear Lindsay,
You have been a blessing to us, so many times. We are all so proud of you. College will be so great. We love you.

Love,
Mom, Steve, and your Family



Heather Lucero

Heather,
You will always be our little girl. Have a happy and healthy life.

Love,
Mom and Dad



Jaime Pizzino

Jaime,
We are so proud of you. We know that you will have a great future. Just keep on smiling. We love you.

God bless,
Dad, Mom, Joshua, John, and Joseph



Angie Reno

Dear Angie,
We are always saying "hurry up," wish we could say now "slow down," graduation came too fast. Keep your goals high.

Love you,
Dad, Mom, and Lesley



Clint Shields

Dear Clint,
Congratulations! I am very proud of you. Best of luck in your future. May God bless you and keep you safe. Remember the door is always open to you.

Love,
Mom and Justin



Regan Rule

CONGRATULATIONS
REGAN,
Your graduation is the first step of your future. We are proud of you and pledge continued support.

With best wishes;
KEEP UP THE
GOOD WORK!
Dad



Cory Smith

Dear Cory,
We've always been proud of all your accomplishments and enjoyed your sense of humor. We wish you the best always.

We love you
dearly,
Mom, Dad,
Tracy, Brian, and
Joe



Kody Ryff

Alright Kody!
You are some very special guy!
And now into the world it's time to fly.
You've been given great talents & humor as a gift.
Use them wisely for success-get my drift?
Continue to walk with the Lord.
I guarantee you won't be bored.
We love you,
Mom, Dad, and
K-1-3-4



Crystal Stotler

Crystal,
You did it! It was tough at times but you're not a quitter. You've done a lot of hard work. It will be worth it and we know that you deserve it.

We love you,
Mom, Julie, Misty,
Jennifer, and Baby Boy



Tate Scanga

Tate,
I'm very proud of the accomplishments and the success you have become in the first part of your life. We wish you all the luck and pray your dreams come true.

Love ya,
Mom



Stephani Tafoya

¡Felicitaciones Steph!
Haz caso a tu coraz'on y tus sueños. Nosotros te amamos y estamos muy orgullosos de ti. Nosotros estamos siempre aqui por ti. Dios este' contigo.

Amor,
Mom and Dad



Ryan Taverna



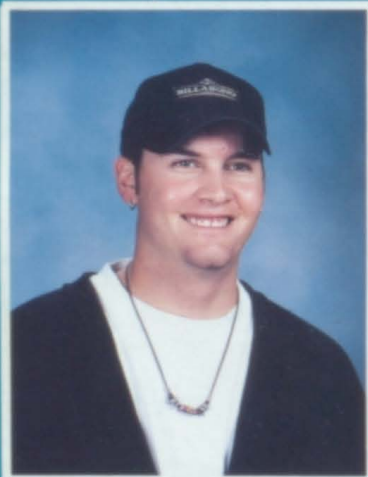
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Sara Morgan Ward



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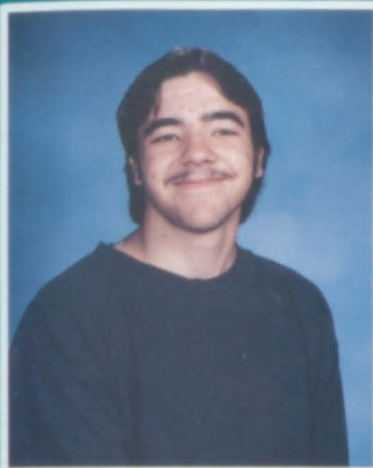
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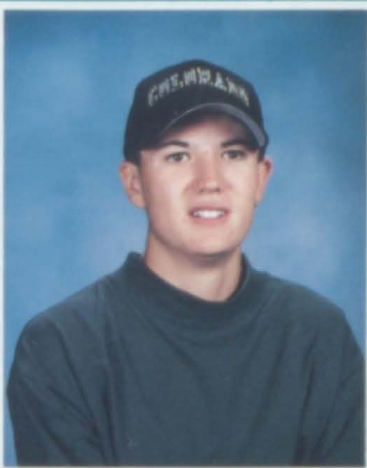
Charles Wood



Nicole Zielinko



Nick Cicero



Nathan Johnson



Abigail Quillen



Clint Shields



Dear Nicole,
The world is yours to take.
Follow your dreams and take one
day at a time. We are so proud
of you.

Love,
Mom, John, Tom,
Andrea, Grandma
and Poppa

Nicole Will



Dear Dean,
Congratulations for all
your success both in sports and
academically. I'm very proud of
you, and wish you the best of luck
in everything that you do.

Love,
Mom

Dean Warren



Dany Anderson

Hi Sweetheart,
You were born with a
smile and a personality to match.
Your caring and love for others
will follow you through life and
your career.

Love you forever,
Dad

Klaus Friede
From Klagenfurt, Austria,
Klaus Friede shared his
culture and friendship in the
true spirit of a Rotary Inter-
national Exchange Student.
Best wishes to Klaus from
his hosts, Salida Rotary
Club.



Mandy Thomas, like so many others,
hangs out by the pop machines.



Crystal Stotler is full of spirit for the
Homecoming Assembly.

Kevin Michael Allen:

Soccer-4
FBLA-1,2,3

Shauna M. Alloy:

FHA-4
Art Club-4
Drama Club-4

Damy Rae Anderson:

Student Council-
(Pres)3 (STUCO Pres)4
FBLA-4
Drama-3,4
FLC-3
NHS-3,4
Cheerleading-1,2
Basketball-1,2 (Mangr.)3
Soccer-4
S Club-1,2,3,4
Tenderfoot Times-
2,(ass. ed.)3 (ed.)4
Teen Court-(chair
Person)
3, (chair person)4
FibARK Hostess-3
Homecoming Candidate-4

Gusti Sharlene Argys:

Cheerleading-1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball-1, 2, (vars.)3
Le Resume-(ass.ed.)2,
(co.ed.)3, (co.ed.)4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Key Club-3
FBLA-3, 4
FCCLA-2
Teen Court-3, 4
FibARK Hostess-3
Homecoming Candidate-4
Soccer-4

Jason Daniel Batchelor:

Drama-1,2,3(vp)4
Baseball-3,4
Basketball-3,4
Football-4
Art Club-3,4
VICA-4

Lucas Beaubien:

Dan Bergevin-
Jared Best:

Robert William Block:

Cross Country-3,4
Track-3,4

Paul Bohochik-

Michael Jed Brazil-

Ryan Cole Cannon-

Soccer-4

Lisa Cardinelli-

Nicholas Chaves-
Austin Chrestensen-

Anthony Joseph

Cicerelli-
Basketball-1,2,3(capt.)4
Soccer-4
Baseball-1,4

48 * Sr. Roster

FBLA-1

Key Club-4
S Club-4
FCCLA-4

Nick Cicero-**Robyn Renee Clark-**

Student Council-2
(vp.)3, (vp.)4
Key Club-2,3,4
FLC-1,2
S Club-2,3,(pres.)4
Basketball-1,2,3 (capt.)4
Track-1,2

Chad Clarkson-**Nick Cordova-****Zachary D. Cordova-**

Football-1,2,3,4
Basketball-1.2
Wrestling-3,4
S Club-3,4
FBLA-4

Tanya Lynn Cox-

Drama-2 (vp.)3,4
FLC-1
NHS-3,4
Colorado Close-Up-4

Adam Culp-**Amy Jo Cure-****Darcy Rene' Curtis-**

Drama-1
(hist.)2,3,(pres.)4
Cross Country-2,3,4
Track-1,3,4
S Club-2,3,4
FCA-1,4
Volleyball-1
Basketball-1

Dustin Dague-**Doug Defelice-****Jennifer Marie DeLuca-**

Volleyball-1,2,3,4
Baseball-2
Basketball-1,2,3
Student Council-
1.2.3.(sec)4
S Club-2,3,4
Science Club-4
Key Club-4
Track-1
Tennis-4

Wade Denison-**Melissa Rae Dere-**

Cheerleading-1,2,3
Tennis-1,2,3,4
Drama-1,2(sec)3,4
Key Club-1,2 (Pres.)3,
(sec.)4
FLC-3, (Pres)4
FBLA-2,3
S Club-1,2,3

Rachel Elyse Donovan-

Knowledge Bowl-2, 4
Basketball-1, 2, 4
Colorado Close-Up-4
Pep Band-1, 2
NHS-3, 4

Travis Dooley-

Athletic Trainer-1
Pep Band-1,2,3
Kays-2,(vp.)3

Chrissy Downare-**Amanda Marie Dyer-**

Golf Team-1, 2, 3, 4
Music Comp. & Theory-
1, 2, 3, 4
Colorado Close-Up-3
Presidential Classroom-4
Winter Cheerleading-3

Jess Robert Edmiston-

Rodeo Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball-1, 2, 3

Robert Mathew**Edmonds-**

Football-1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball-1, 2
Student Council-(pres.)1,
4
NHS-3, 4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
SHS Academic Letter-1,
2, 3, 4
Shavano Student of The
Month-3
Colorado High School
Rodeo-3, 4
Masons Outstanding
Junior Boy-3
Key Club-4

Taylor Englert-**Lezlie Shae Faber-**

NHS-3, 4
FBLA-3, 4
Key Club-3, 4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Cheerleading-2, 3,
(co.cap.)4
Basketball-1, 2, (mgr.)3
Tennis-1, 2, 3, 4

Tracie Ann Fear-

NHS-3, 4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Varsity Tennis-1, 2, 3, 4
FBLA-1, 2, 3, 4
FHA-(hist.)1, (pres.)2,3
Colorado Close-Up-4
Band-1, 2, 3
Volleyball-1
Student Council-(fresh.
v.p.)1

Tina Jo Ferrier-

Drama Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Football-(mgr.)3, (mgr.)4
Knowledge Bowl-4
Tennis-1, (mgr.)3

FibARK Hostess-3**Sarah Tiffany Finney-**

Western State Honors
Choir-2, 3, 4
Drama-2
Choir-1, 2, 3, 4
Soccer-(mgr.)4
Junior Class Choir Rep.-3
All State Honor Choir-3
Solo and Ensemble-1, 2,
3, 4

Klaus Friede-

Soccer-4
Foreign Exchange
Student-4

Heahter Rose Georgi-

Art-Club-1, 2, 3, (co-
pres.)4
NHS-3, 4
Baseball-(mgr.)3&4
S Club-4
Key Club-4
Basketball-(mgr.)3
Volleyball-(mgr.)3

Chad Glovan-**Stephen Warren****Guccione-**

Football-1, 2, 3, (tri-
captain)4
Baseball-1, 2, 3, 4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Key Club-3, 4
Student Council-4(vice
president)

Andrew Gutierrez-**Stephen Hall-****Mary Clare Hillegas-**

FBLA-2, 3, 4
Key Club-2, 3, 4
Cheerleading-1, 2, 3, 4
S Club-2, 3, 4

Wilén E. Hopkins II-

Track-1, 2, 3, 4 (feild
events)
Football-1, 2, 3,
4(Defense)
Drama-1, 2, 3, 4(stage
mgr.)
Basketball-1,4
Wrestling-3

Meann Hui-**Travis Jean-****Nathan Johnson-****Ryan Marie Johnson-**

Cheerleading-1, 2,
(capt.)3, 4
NHS-3, 4
Tennis-1, 2, 3, 4
Cross Country-(mgr.)2
FBLA-2
S Club-1, 2, 3,4
Key Club-2

Tricia Lynn Jones-
Track-2
Cheerleading-1, 4
Basketball-2
Key Club-2, 3
S Club-3, 4
FLC-2
S.A.D.D.-1

Heather Dianna
Kingston-
Drama-1, 2, (pres.)3, 4
Track-3, 4(mgr.)
Colorado Close-Up-4

Cameron Lambert-

Jimmy Herbert Littrell-
FBLA-1, (bus. mgr.)2,
(treas.)3, (vp)4
Football-3, 4
Basketball-1, 2, 3,4
Golf-1, 2
Track-1, 2, (capt.)3,
(capt.)4
S Club-1, 2, 3,4
STUCO-3
Key Club-4
FCCLA-4
Academic Letter-3, 4

Jeremy Lizotte-

Heather Lucero-
Le Resume'-4

Jill Elizabeth Martin-
Drama-3, 4
FHA-2, 3
Track-4(mgr.)
Colorado Close-Up-4

Adam Martinez-
Janee' Martinez-
Larry Martinez-

Denise Rene'e McBeth-
Cheerleading-1, 2
Basketball-1
STUCO-2(sec.)
Key Club-2, 3
FBLA-2, 3
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4

Danny McBride-Hall-
David Monson-
Ulrika Nordlot-

Scott Allen Norton-
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
NHS-4
Soccer-4
STUCO-(v.p.)2
FBLA-1

Ronald Oglesby-

Ethan Warren Oswald-
Soccer-4

Robert Overstreet-

Jason Palmer-
Soccer-1,2,3,4
Le Resume'-4
Egle Eye-2,3
Basketball-1
Track-1

Jeffery Dean Pearson-
Key Club-3, 4
NHS-3, (treas.)4
Football-3, 4
S Club-3, 4
Academic Letter-1, 2, 3,4
STUCO-3, (pres.)4
Track-1

Lindsay Ann Pergande-
Tennis-1, 2, 3,4
FBLA-2, 3, 4

Krystal Philipps-
NHS-3, 4
S Club-3, 4
FHA-(v.p.)1, (dist. rep.)2
& 3
Track-1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball-3
Cross Country-2

Jaime Christine Pizzino-
Teen Court-3, 4
FBLA-3, 4
Cheerleading-2
FHA-3
Colorado Close-Up-4

Benoit Pointet-
Soccer-4
FLC-4

Casey W. Prentiss-
Tenderfoot Times-2, 3,
(business manager)4
Band-1, 2, 3
Rodeo Club-3, 4

Stephanie Purcell-

Abigail Cynara Quillen-
FLC-2, (v.p.)3, 4
Science Club-3, 4
Colorado Close-Up-3
NHS-3, 4
National Close-Up-4

Angela Lyn Reno-
Cheerleading-1, 2, 3, (co-
capt.)4
STUCO-1, 3, 4
Key Club-1, 2, 3, (treas.)4
FBLA-2
Volleyball-(mgr.)2
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4

Bobbi Jo Rich-
NHS-4
Cross Country-1, 2, 3, 4
Track-1, 2, 3, 4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Drama Club-1, 2, 3,
(sec.)4
Colorado Close-Up-3, 4
National Close-Up-4

David Michael Rollins-
Basketball-1, 2, 3, 4
Soccer-4
NHS-3, (pres.)4
Track-2
S Club-2, 3, 4
Key Club-4
FCCLA-4

Regan Rule-

Kody Lance Ryff-
FBLA-1, 2
STUCO-1
Soccer-(co-cap.)4
Cross Country-3

Edward Tate Scanga-
Wrestling-1
Football-1, 2, 3, 4

Erin Kathleen Schmidt-
NHS-4
STUCO-(sec.)3, (sec.)4
S Club-2, 3, 4
Volleyball-2, 3, (capt.)4
Basketball-2, 3, (capt.)4
Track-3, 4
Baseball-2

Clint Shields-

Cory Alan Smith-
Football-1
Golf-2, 3, 4
Basketball-1, 2, 3, 4
Baseball-1, 2, 3, 4
S Club-2, 3, 4

Kristy M. Stenzel-
Drama-3, 4
Football-(mgr.)3
Choir-2, 3
FHA-2, 3

Crystal Renee Stotler-
Volleyball-1, 2, 3
Tennis-1, 2, 3, 4
Key Club-1, 2, 3, (pres.)4
Colorado Close-Up-4

Kathleen Mercie
Sugaski:
FLC-2, 3, (v.p.)4
Science Club-3, 4
Colorado Close-Up-3
NHS-3, 4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball-1, 2, 3, (capt.)4
Tennis-1, 2, 3, 4
National Close-Up-4
Academic Letter-1, 2, 3, 4

Stephanie Ann Tafoya-
Basketball-1, 2, 3, 4
Track-1, 2, 3, 4
Volleyball-1
Cross Country-2, 3, 4
STUCO-(sec.)1, (pres.)2,
(rep.)4
FBLA-2, (hist.)3, (pres.)4
NHS-3, (v.p.)4

Ryan Taverna-
Staci L. Teter-
Volleyball-1, 2, 3
Tennis-1, 2, 3, 4
Cross Country-4
Colorado Close-Up-3, 4
President's Classroom-4
NHS-3, (sec.)4
S Club-2, 3, 4
Girls State Delegate-3
4-H-1, 2
Art Club-4
Who's Who Among High
School Students-3, 4
CU's Honors Institute in
Engineering-3
SHS Scholastic
Letterman-1, 2, 3, 4

Mandy Renae Thomas-
Tennis-1, 2, 3, 4
Basketball-1, 2, 3
NHS-3, 4
Art Club-3, (co-pres.)4
Key Club-4
S Club-4
Drama-1

Tracie Ray Tompkins
Honor Choir-2,3
Choir-1,2,3,4
Drama-1,2
Flags-1

Tom Truitt-
Jennifer Valdez-

Sara Morgan Ward-
FLC-1, 2, 3
Colorado Close-Up-3
NHS-3, 4
National Close-Up-4
Science Club-3
Red Cross-3

Dean Allen Warren-
Football-1, 2, 3, 4
S Club-1, 2, 3, 4
Key Club-2, 4
Art Club-4

Brennon Watts-

Nicole Marie Will-
Volleyball-2, 3, 4
Basketball-2, 3, 4
Track-1, 2, 3, 4
S Club-2, 3, 4

Charles Wood-
Nicole Zielinko-

Class of 1997

Darryl Baker
Amy Bashton
Aaron Blondeau
Alicia Bond
Nick Boshinski
Jared Bradford
Preston Broadfoot



Sabrina Brown
Benjamin Carpenter
Dannielle Christensen
Ira Christensen
Josh Criswell
Matt Daley
Trina Darland



James DeCock
Crystal Denison
Eric Dennis
Elizabeth Earl
Laura Efrid
Kara Fear
Crystal Fling



Jeff Gardunio
Patty Giron
Jeremy Glassar
Brian Glovan
Wes Gramatica
Ian Grammatia
Fabio Grasso



Patrick Guffy
Rebecca Gutierrez
Amy Haag
Pam Hamilton
Cassie Hermann
Mira Hopkins
Heather Jackson



McKayla Jewell
Alvin Jiron
Hannah Johnson
Jennifer Jones
Kim Kaspar
John-Paul Keserich
Kristin Kotowski



Christopher Krajcek
Tim Landon
Jason Liswood
Katie Lusero
Mindy Margos
April Matveia
Alicia McClure



JUNIOR LIFE

What do you do
in your spare
time?

- 73% Play sports
 - 11% Football
 - 29% Basketball
 - 9% Wrestling
 - 17% Soccer
 - 11% Track
 - 8% Tennis
 - 5% Baseball
 - 6% Cheerleading
 - 4% Volleyball
- 27% Do other things
 - 13% Sleep
 - 8% Work
 - 6% Homework

Most Unpopular Change!!!!

-by Katie Lusero & Angie Reno



Registering for their classes before school started are new juniors Elizabeth Earl, Amy Haag, Dannie Christensen, and Jamie Miller.

At least once a day, every junior is to attend a newly required class that is known to most as, "The class with little point," Workplace Basics.

The first class of Workplace Basics begins at 7:15 A.M., also known as zero hour. 17 students are enrolled in this class and Cassie Herrmann, a member of this class says, "For half the year I'm at school before the sun comes up."

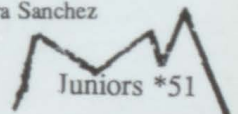
This may be the opinion of most, but there are some like Margot Plotz who says, "The class is okay if you want to be there, but it shouldn't be required." When asked why the class was required, the class instructor, Mrs. Sanger says, "Workplace Basics is required because business owners and managers think it will help students to successfully enter the workplace."



Jennifer McQuitty
Thomas Mikesell
Jamie Miller
Jason Miller
Samantha Minnis
Matt Modrzejewski
Bradi Naccarato

Dorothy Nay
Chad Nelson
Mandy Nelson
Sean Overstreet
Chad Palmer
Anthony Pasquale
Margot Plotz

Kristy Read
Erin Rich
Erik Rudolph
Kelly Rushton
Chris Sage
Shaavon Sagrillo
Audra Sanchez



Leading us to Prom

President
Alicia Bond

Vice-President
Mandy Nelson

Secretary
Jenni Thomas



STUCO Junior Officers: Mandy Nelson, Jenni Thomas, and Alicia Bond.

Sean Scanga
Luke Sharpe
Nathan Smith
Corinne Stasco
Stephnie Stone
Kyle Swartz
Randy Tavema



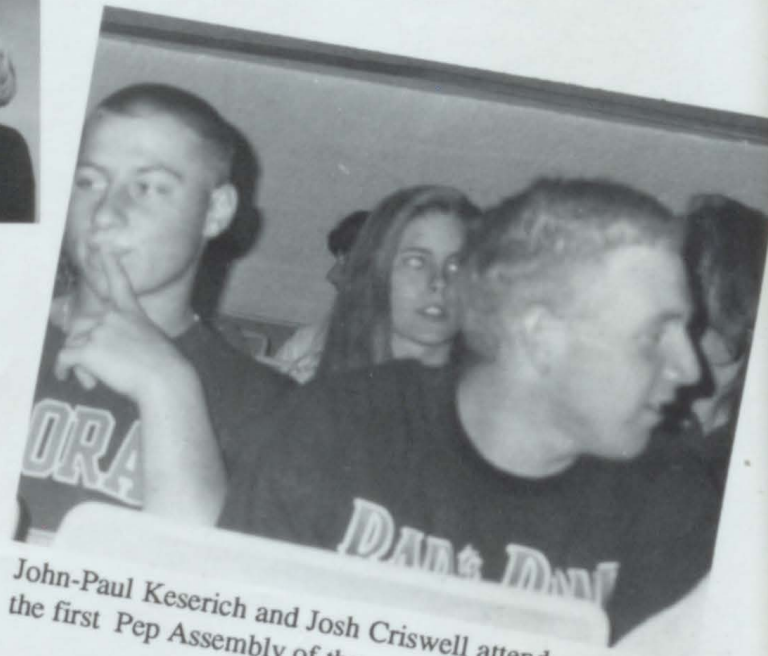
Jenni Thomas
Cory Thorpe
Jeremy Turner
Amos Underwood
Sarah Underwood
Stefan Veltri
Desirae Warren



Tim Webb
Ryan Williams
Melissa Zielinko



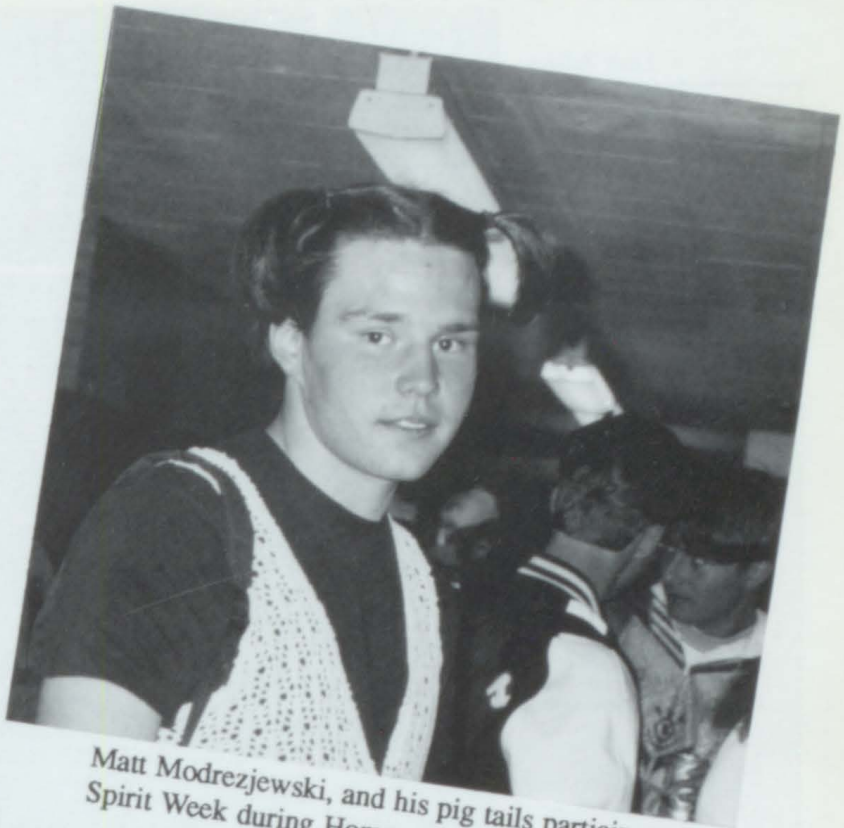
Not Pictured
Jacob Rhodes
Sarah Wikoff
Jon Paul Womack



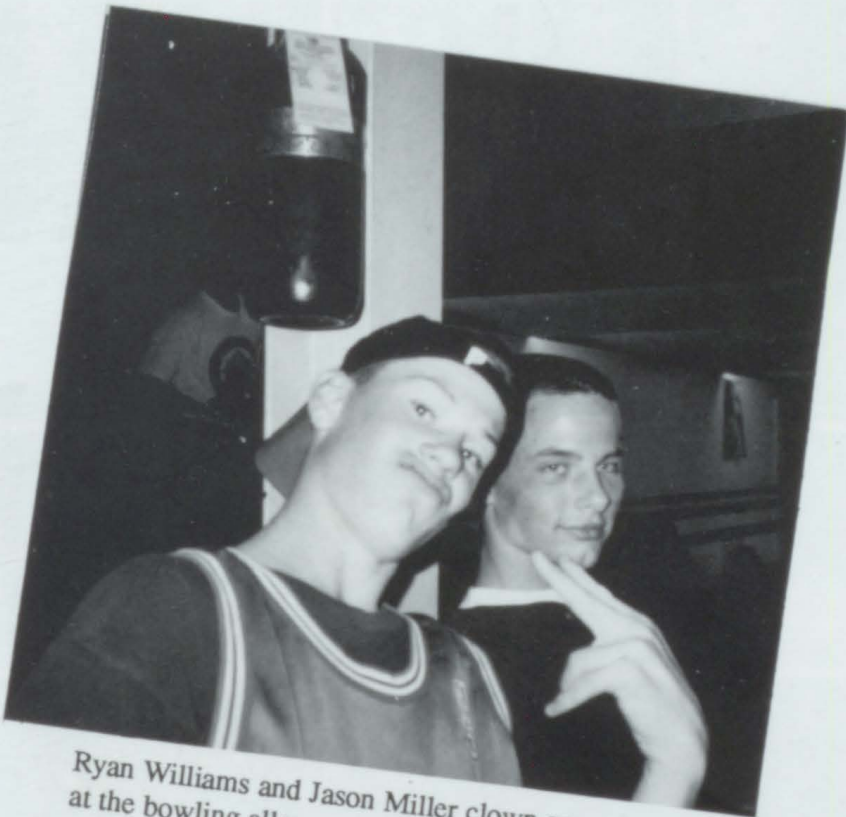
John-Paul Keserich and Josh Criswell attend the first Pep Assembly of the year.



Sabrina Brown helps her class sell concessions to raise money for the prom.



Matt Modrezjewski, and his pig tails participate in Spirit Week during Homecoming.



Ryan Williams and Jason Miller clown around at the bowling alley.



Alex Warmack, Corinne Stasco, Preston Broadfoot, and Margot Plotz try to stay concentrated while Mrs. Sanger teaches 8th hour Workplace Basics class.

Class of 1998

Leah Adkins
Jennifer Aldrich
Erin Amett
Amy Bailey
Bonny Block
Eryn Boshinski
Sienna Brandon



Geoff Brown
Seth Brunell
Jennie Christiansen
Randall Christiansen
Rachel Clark
Jeff Criswell
Jerry Cummings



Sara Davis
Shanda DeLeo
Aaron DeLuca
Jared Denison
Renee' Dere
Jessica Donovan
Charles Drake



Kasey Drees
Bridget Dusza
Jaimee Eggleston
Sharen Fortune
Cari Friend
Ian Frizzell
Penny Fyffe



Michael Gentile
Dusty Grantham
John Haag
Josh Hall
Wayne Hancock
Devyn Heeke
Colleen Hemmert



Daniel Hillegas
Joshua Hillis
Justin Hillis
Kendra Hilton
Jolie Kahan
Kristy Kalivoda
Brenda Kelso



Kenneth Kemdt
Bryon Koehn
Cara Krajicek
Sheth LaRue
Zachary Lewis
Tom Linza
Albert Lionelle



Brent Lister
Gina Madone
Mona Maestas
Robbie Marlette
Jeff Marques
David Martinez
Readon Martinez



Putting It All Together

What is your curfew now that you're a sophomore?

5% 9-10pm

14% 10-11pm

67% 11pm-midnight

4% Do not have one

How often do you chew gum?

62% Everyday

0% Once a week

33% Once in a while

5% Never

How long do you talk on the phone nightly?

76% One hour or less

14% Two hours

5% Three hours

5% Four or more hours

In Between but Fitting In

by Lesley Reno and Alison Nelson



The class of 1998 is a lot more confident this year because according to Eryn Boshinski, they feel that they "fit in". They are more familiar with class projects and other school activities. They were a bit unsure of themselves last year, but now they feel more comfortable with the high school scene. Sophomores seem to enjoy all the privileges and responsibilities of being in between..

After Zero hour weightlifting, sophomores Brian Stout and Pat Walker unwind with seniors Andy Gutierrez and Tony Cicerelli in the cafeteria.



Tisha Martinez
Michael Marzolf
Lindsay McAllister
Andria McNaney
Benjamin Merrell
Brenna Miller
Ian Minnis

Sylvia Morawa
Curt Nichols
Dana Olof
Kristy Palmer
Michelle Palmer
Robert Paulson
Eduardo Pedroso

Peter Pergande
Eric Pinkston
Josh Pizzino
Jodi Quick
Joy Reno
Isaac Rhodes
Susan Rollins

Jason Scanga
 Wesley Schwitzer
 Jessica Sherer
 Shannon Sheris
 Megan Simpson
 Daniel Smith
 Erik Smith



Barry Snyder
 Christen Snyder
 Corban Soules
 Pedro Luis Souza
 James Stone
 Danny Stotler
 Misty Stotler



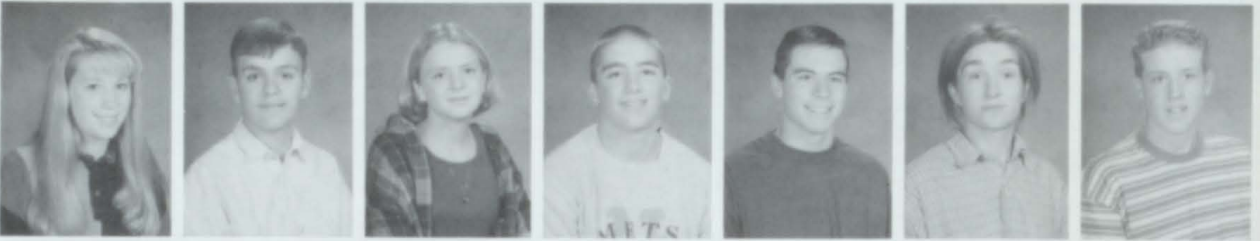
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 Carissa Streck
 Danielle Surber
 Amy Swantek
 Nicholas Tessitore
 Vince Thomas
 Candi Thompson



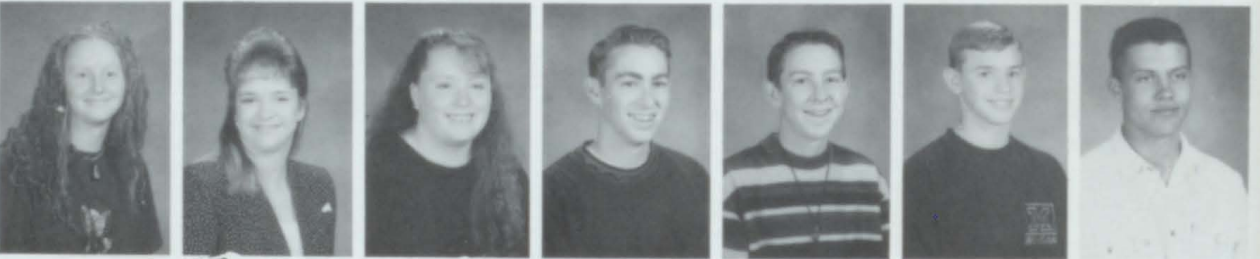
Jason Thompson
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 Lars Thorlesen
 Keri Thorpe
 Shad Tischler
 Cathi Toler
 Terri Torian



Tami Unruh
 Shane Valdez
 Alice Veasman
 Justin Veltri
 Abram Vigil
 Lance Wait
 Pat Walker



Anna Ward
 Ginger White
 Bindi Williams
 Blake Wilson
 David Wilson
 Erik Young
 * Brandon Read



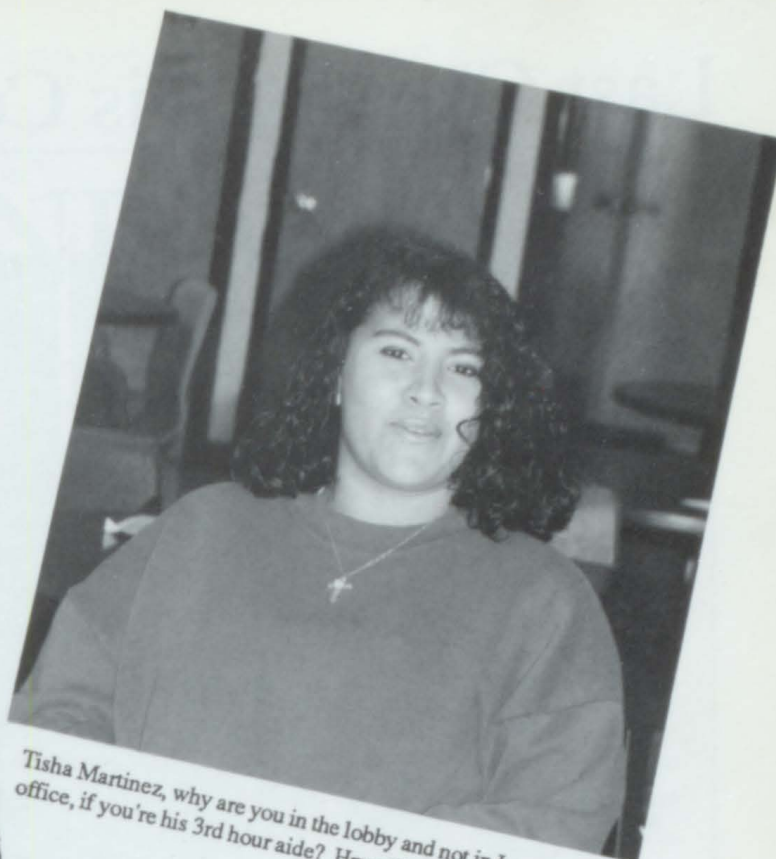
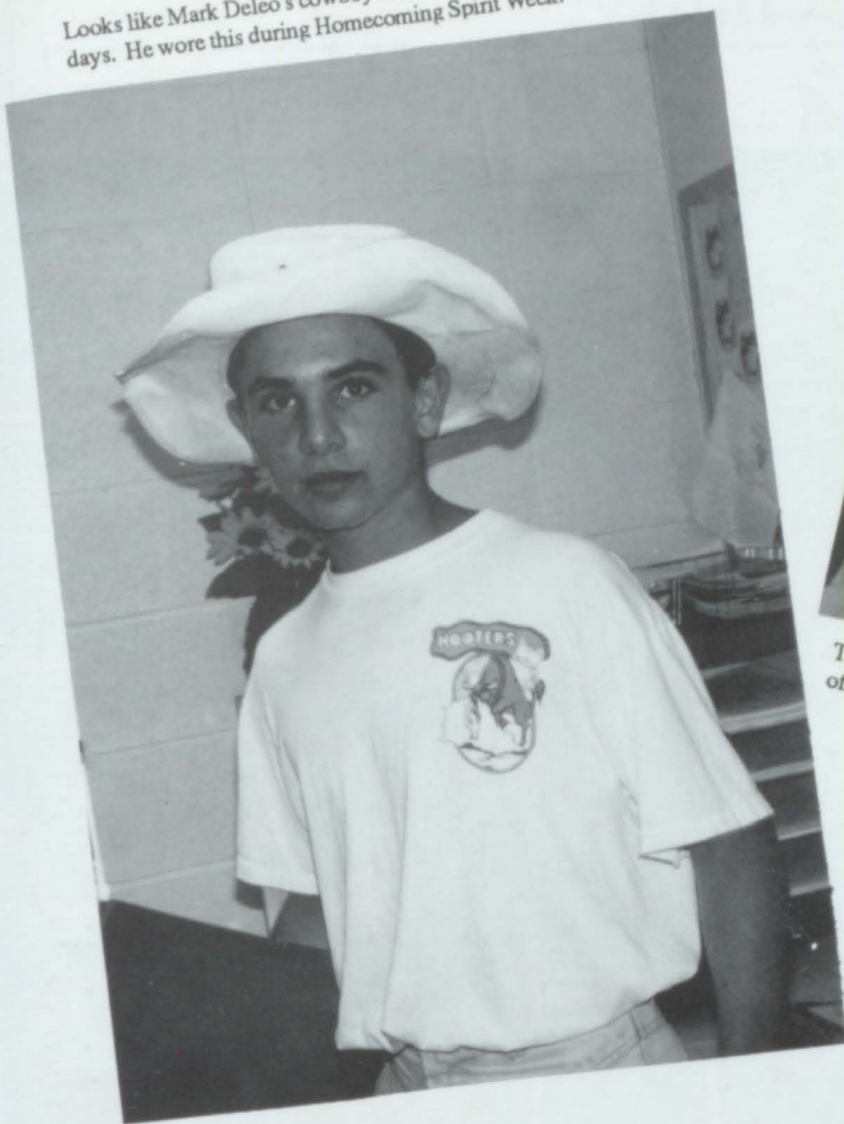
Christen Snyder, Mike Marzolf, and Renee' Dere
 hurry back from McDonalds for 7th hour.



Danny Stotler and Eric Young clown around during P.E.



Looks like Mark Deleo's cowboy hat has seen better days. He wore this during Homecoming Spirit Week.



Tisha Martinez, why are you in the lobby and not in Lambert's office, if you're his 3rd hour aide? Hmm??



The Leaders of the In-betweens

President- Anna Ward
Vice President- Amy Swantek
Secretary- Jodi Quick



Here I am! Anna Ward, the missing class president, gets found.

Last Class of this Century!

Heather Adams
 Timothy Allen
 Mindy Alloy
 Nick Batchelor
 Cammie Bergmann
 Robert Brady
 Christopher Brown



Eli Brown
 Robert Burkart
 Ryan Butacan
 Sean Butterfield
 Jason Camp
 Arame' Cantrell
 Brook Carpenter



Andy Chamley
 Ryan Chelf
 Adam Christensen
 William Cicerelli
 Keith Clark
 Nathan Cook
 Brian Corbett



Melanie Cordova
 Tony Cordova
 Felipe Correa
 Erica Cruz
 Kristen Curtis
 Kyle Davidson
 Andrea Dennis



Phil Dissmeyer
 Weston Dobson
 Jarrod Dodgen
 Daniel Dooley
 Anicka Dvorak
 Deryck Earley
 Timothy Edmonds



Megan Eggert
 Kimmy England
 Zach Faber
 Randa Ford
 Barbara Gerlach
 Shauna Gorman
 Corby Gunter



Dana Hilton
 Frank Holman
 Kylie Holmes
 Barbara Holt
 Greg Holt
 Jeff Hurley
 Trey Jackson



It's ALL So NEW!

- by Darryl Baker &
Barbara Holt

Freshmen Thoughts

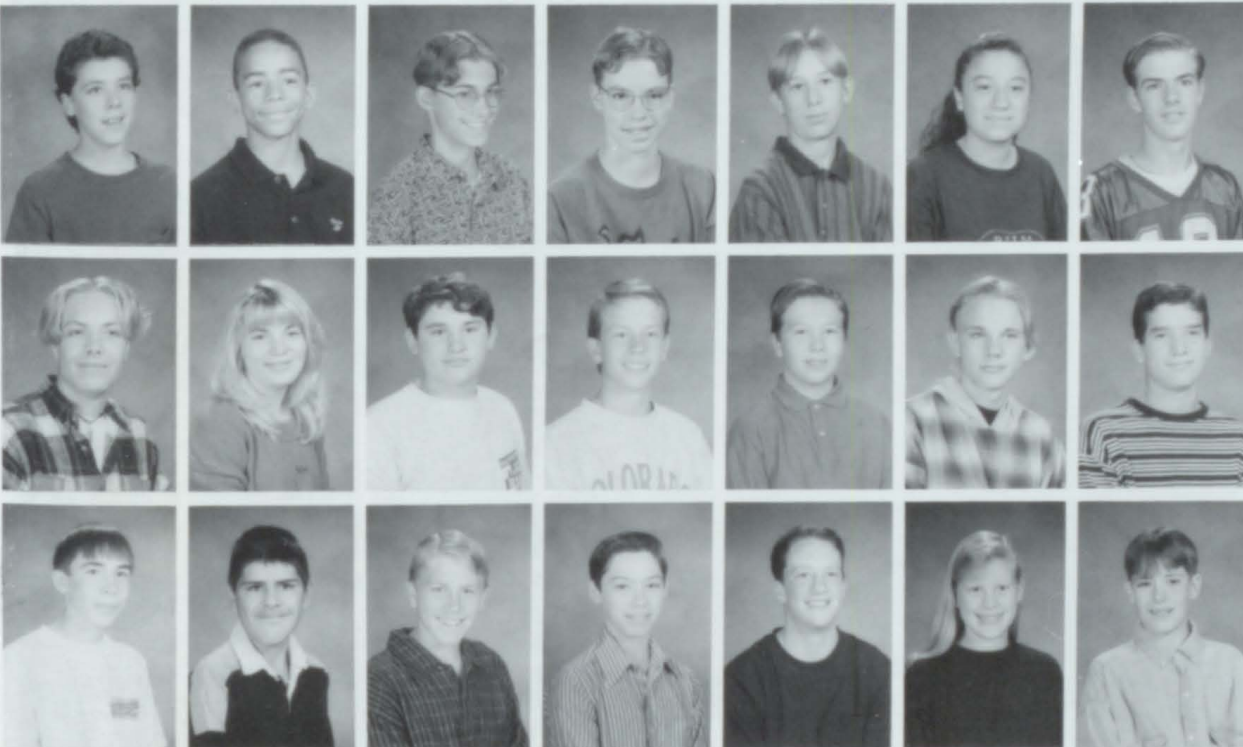
*Of the majority
polled, Freshmen
like to:*

1. *Go to the
movies*
2. *Participate
in Sports*
3. *Ski &
Snowboard*
4. *Hang Out*
5. *Listen to
Rap*



The last graduating class of the 20th Century just entered SHS. They are the Freshmen. What a mark of distinction. As with all the other classes before them, their's is not an easy task. Being introduced to everything new on top of being the Class of 1999, graduation seems like an eternity away. Yet just like those before them, graduation will be here in a heartbeat and they'll wonder where it all went.

Amber Koch and Lyndsey Mumma are really into working on their float, "We Will Rock You."



Clint Jett
Adrian Jiron
Joshua Jones
Benjamin Kaan
Timothy Kerrigan
Amber Koch
Chris Lake

Jacques Lengrich
Nichole Lichtenegger
Joesph Lucero
Andrew Lutz
Albert Marle
Gary Marle
Kort Marques

Brian Martinez
Thomas Martinez
Aaron Matveia
Rocky Mazza
Adam McBride
Tami McCarl
Mike McFarland

Freshmen Class Officers

President: Arame' Cantrell

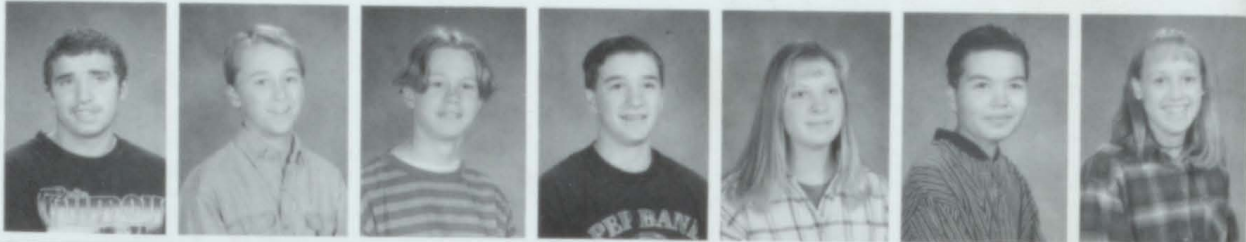
Vice Pres.: Alison Nelson

Secretary: Summer Pine



Alison Nelson, Arame' Cantrell, and Summer Pine have their work cut out for them this year leading this newest group of freshmen.

Eric McGowan
Jason Micklich
Andy Modrzejewski
Joey Monson
Lyndsey Mumma
Kenneth Muniz
Alanna Murdock



Jason Naylor
Alison Nelson
Curt Nelson
Maura New
Whitney Newman
Michael Nicholls
Lucas Oversole



Scott Palko
Alan Pallaoro
Heath Pasquale
Charis Perschbacher
Summer Pine
Heather Potts
Russell Prentis



Lesley Reno
Catherine Rich
Marc Ross
Michael Rouser
Eric Sack
Melissa Salazar
Audrey Scanga



Vanessa Schirmer
Fritz Schneider
Laura Schoech
Cory Schwandt
Lacey Schwitzer
Tawnya Sheris
Crystal Smith



Class of 1999



Tracy Smith
Jeremy Snodgrass
Rochelle Stenzel
Tyler Sugaski
Jeremy Sullivan
Stephanie Tancik
Joseph Tavema

Seth Thomas
Josh Tischer
Jennifer Treat
Bryant Trujillo
Aaron Turner
Brandon Turner
Tana Turner

Jack Warren
Tiffany Weis
Travis Wiebe
Poppy Wyble
Alysha Yarbrough



Keith Clark discusses float details with class president Arame' Cantrell. The float was prepared at Alana Murdock's house.

Perhaps Nick Batchelor really does resemble his grandmother.



Support Personel

Give Them The Recognition They Deserve.

by Jacques Lengerich

Is it your mom, dad, or maid? No, it's the support personel. Most of them are here before we ever arrive for school. They start their morning by making sure things are running smoothly for us.

Most of the secretarial work is done by Linda Reno, Judy Starbuck, and Carol Hilton. Linda Reno has been in the district for 12 years, but only at Salida High School for

four years. Linda enjoys her work, but most of all she enjoys the students. She plans on working for the high school until her retirement.

Around 6:00am and before the students are out of their warm beds, some of the custodians show up to prepare the school for classes. Tim Salsbury arrives at 6:00am to raise the flag and to open up the doors. Following Tim is Geno Guccione, the head of grounds main-

tenance. Geno has worked for Salida High for 12 years. He said it sometimes reminds him of cleaning up after his kids.

The cafeteria staff plays a very important part in making sure students have nutritious meals to eat. They also arrive quite early.

So don't forget about the support personel who help us throughout the school year. Our school couldn't run without them.

Thanks to Mrs. Cheryl Walker, staff and students get their copies on time, and she even staples them for us.



Is custodian Billy Hoff conducting an orchestra? No, actually he's finishing up sweeping.

Tim "the tool man" Salsbury is taking on the role of Forrest Gump as he mows the football field.

Preparing the school for the first day of classes and keeping it all in the family are Cheryl, Helen, and Frank Hilty.

Salida High School Faculty



Mrs. Linda Reno, secretary to Mr. Ragan, must feel like that phone is attached to her ear at times. Salida went to an automated phone system this year.

Cheryl Hilty spent a good deal of her summer working on the school grounds.

Salida High School Faculty, Administration and Support Staff

Dave Baldauf
Steve Best
Todd Bright
Wilson Butacan
Dean Champlin
Holly Curran
Ron Dalrymple



Vailia Davidson
Joe Davis
Veronica Dice
Arthur Dixon
Juanita Estell
William Evans
Rod Farney



Glenn Frame
Robert Freebairn
Theresa Gorman
Dr. Harvey Guest
Doug Hansen
Sherri Hillis
Carol Hilton



Virginia Imig
Kathy Kerrigan
Steven King
Edward Lambert
Richard Leavitt
Dan Lowe
Dwight Lundstrum



During his duty of fieldhouse supervision,
Joe Davis is ready to take on any volley-
ball players.



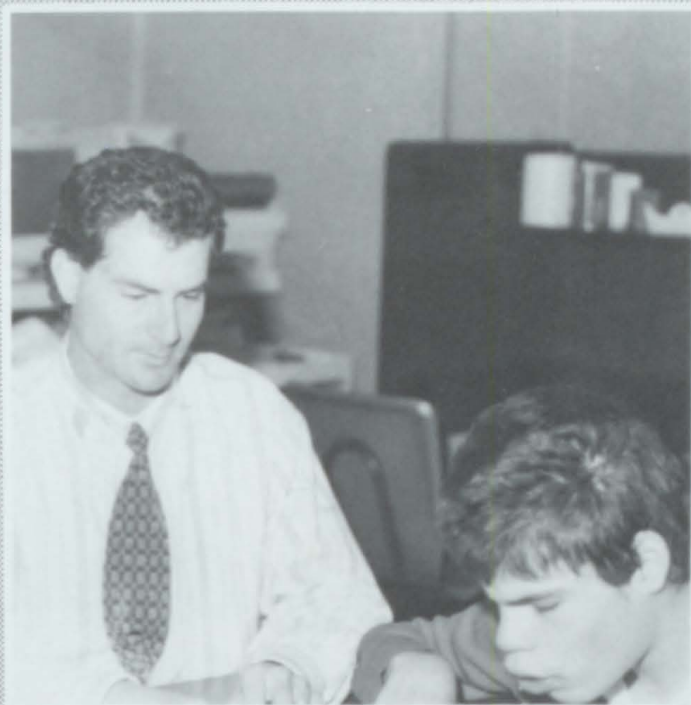
While subbing for Mrs. Kerrigan, permanent
substitute Todd Bright is never without his
sunglasses.



New Teachers Come to High Altitude

-by Alicia Bond & Jennl Thomas

Assisting freshman Felipe Correa is our new Special Education teacher, William Evans.



SHS adds four new members to the staff this year. The new teachers prefer small, relaxed Salida over big and busy cities. Teacher, Joe Davis, who was born and raised in Salida, and has now moved back says, "It's hard to adjust, but I like the situation better." There are many advantages to teaching in a small district such as knowing everybody, lower disciplinary problems, and usually nicer facilities.

The mountains are one of the biggest attractions for newcomers. Todd Bright was attracted by our great outdoors. He enjoys fishing, skiing, and biking.

Enjoying the high altitude, many teachers come here with a new attitude.



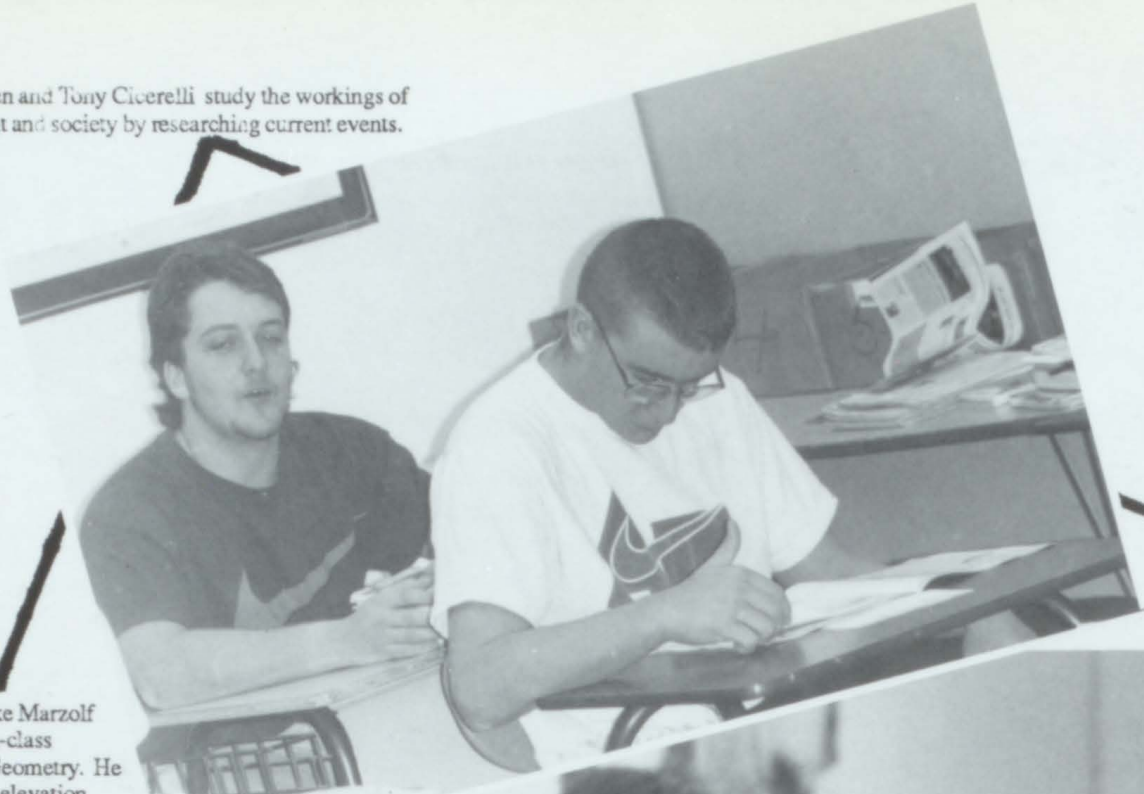
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Dale Miller
Gary Norton
Cheryl Pearce-Trujillo
James Ragan-Principal
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Linda Reno

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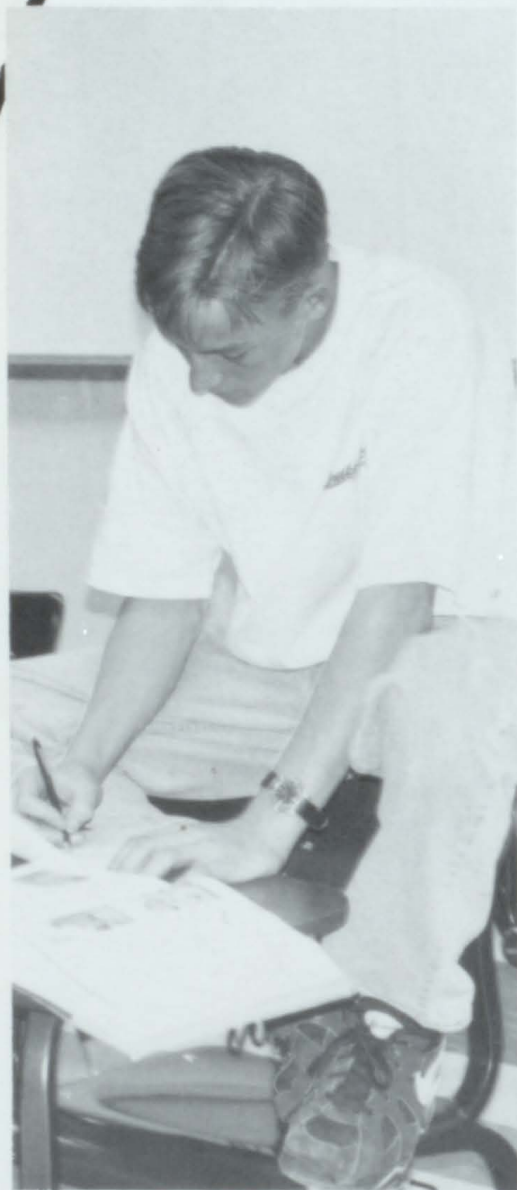
Kathy Tessitore
Robert Thorgesen
Linda Veeder
Cheryl Walker
Rob Wikoff
* Georgia Grantham
* Judy Harris
* Merrilou Cicerelli



Srs. Dean Warren and Tony Cicerelli study the workings of our government and society by researching current events.



Sophomore Mike Marzolf completes his in-class assignment in Geometry. He prefers a higher elevation rather than sit in his desk.



High Percentages

-by Mindy Margos & Sabrina Brown

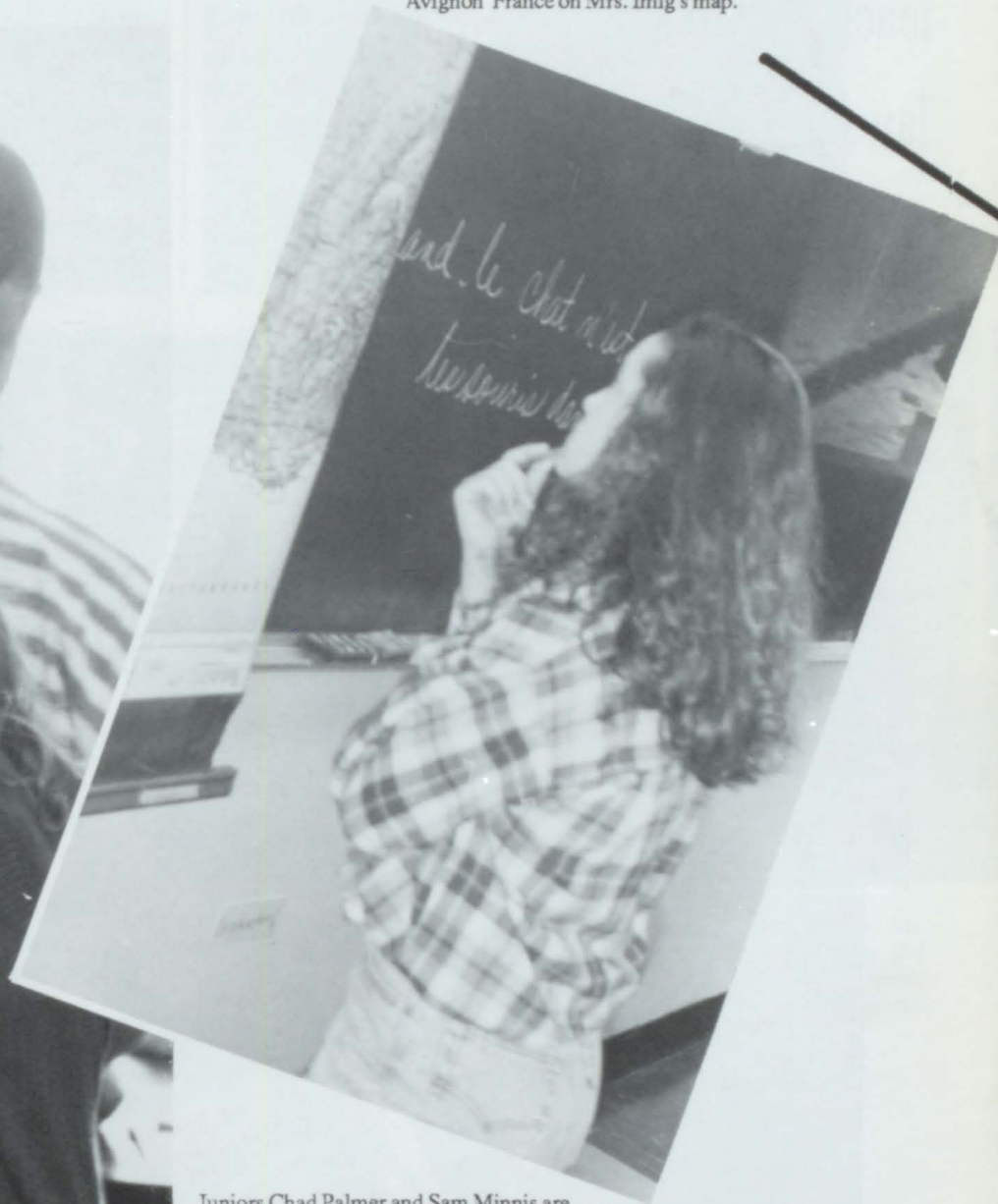
Nothing less than the best comes from those who are academically inclined. High percentage grades-that's the goal.

Those who choose to do so can definitely profit and take advantage of the academic classes offered here at Salida High. English, math, history, foreign language, and science are some of the classes that produce high percentage grades and also high g.p.a.'s. Weighted classes, considered more

academically challenging, can really boost that g.p.a. A significant percentage of students take them.

Taking advantage of academic learning while we're here is only the beginning in a lifetime of potential high percentages of success. The more we get out of all this now, the higher our chances of succeeding out there in the "real world."

While in French class, Sr. Melissa Dere looks up the city Avignon France on Mrs. Imig's map.



Juniors Chad Palmer and Sam Minnis are partners in a chemistry experiment where they are burning magnesium but they don't know why. Maybe Luke Sharpe knows why they're all doing this.

New Experiences in Experiments

by Keri Thorpe & Cassie Herrmann

"Rockets are a great way to teach Newton's laws of motion."

S. King

This year, there have been some new experiences going on in the science classes. Between more hands-on lessons, and the addition of the zero hour physics class, science is evolving at Salida High.

Mr. Hansen continuously teaches hands on concepts in his classes. It is quite common to see his classes coming and going to the Arkansas River.

Mr. King's physical science class did a term paper on

rockets. The students had to make their own rockets, take them outside, and test them on the football field. Most rockets worked, although there were a few "duds." "Rockets are a great way to teach Newton's three laws of motion," said King, "most students like the hands-on experience." Many students agreed with King about actually making the rockets. "It was better than reading it out of a book and we were able to miss class to launch our rockets," said freshman Adam Christensen. Any excuse to get out of class always seems to motivate us.

Another evolution this year is the zero hour physics class. Due to more people attending Salida High, and less classroom space, the administration resorted to offering some early morning classes. "We are able to do more labs, but students don't function as well early in the morning," according to physics teacher Mr. Thorgesen. He further added, "Zero hour is just another side effect of over-crowding." Mr. Leavitt is the other member of the science faculty. If Salida continues to grow, science classes and other classes will have to continue to evolve.



Nathan Cook carefully hooks up the cables to the ignitor to give his rocket an electrical boost. Lift-off was a success.



During an introductory physics experiment, these "physicists" create paper towers. Rachel Donovan and her winning team's creation stretches up over David Rollin's.

"The power of positive suggestion." Jared Dodgen's concentration and careful production contribute to the launch of his rocket.

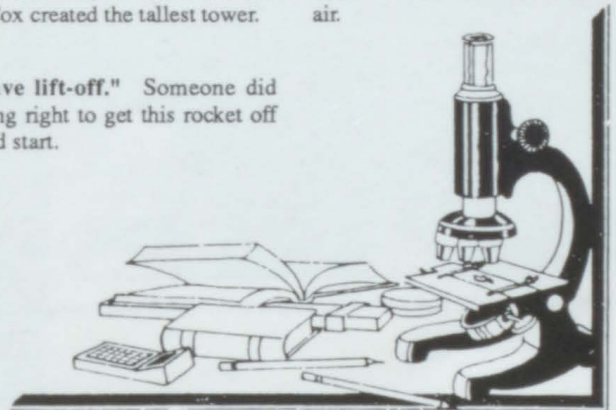


Staci Teter gingerly watches as her experiment grows higher and higher—ultimately becoming the tallest. She, Rachel Donovan, Bobbi Rich, and Tanya Cox created the tallest tower.

"And the rockets red glare..." Mr. King, along with Tana Turner and Chris Brown, look up with amazement as one of the rockets soars through the air.



"We have lift-off." Someone did something right to get this rocket off to a good start.



Math on a Higher Level

"Math is a very important skill to have because it is used everyday in business." B. J. Cicerelli

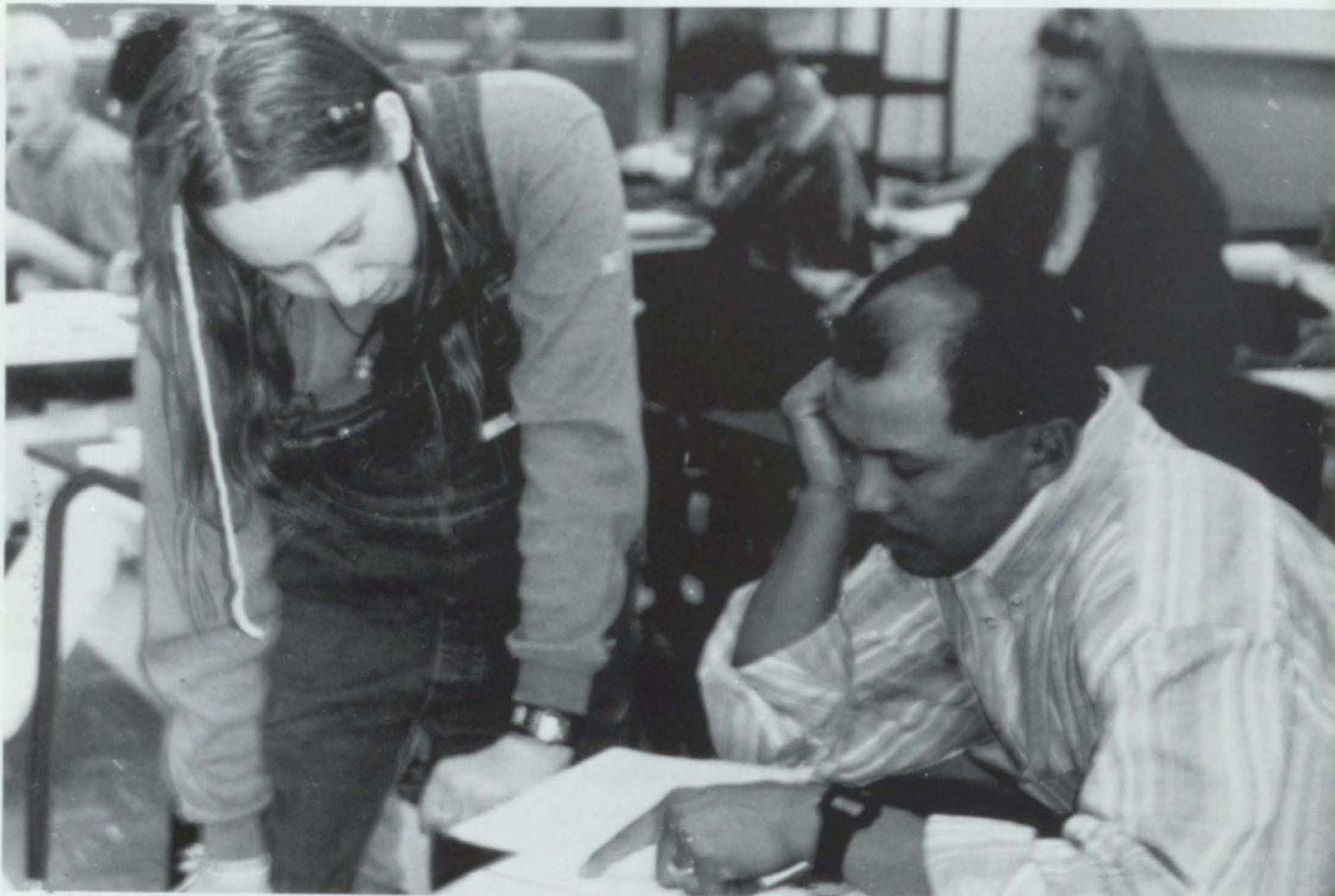
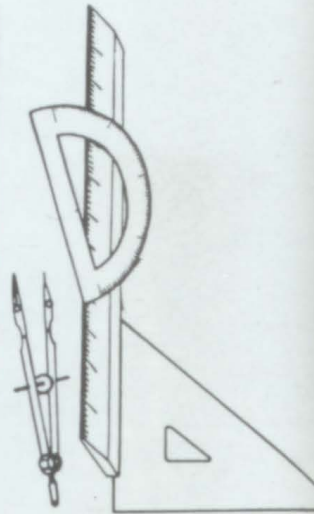
by Adam Christensen

S Most of us think of Math as merely numbers or formulas in some sort of arrangement. It has been discovered that our teachers view our education in Math quite differently than we do.

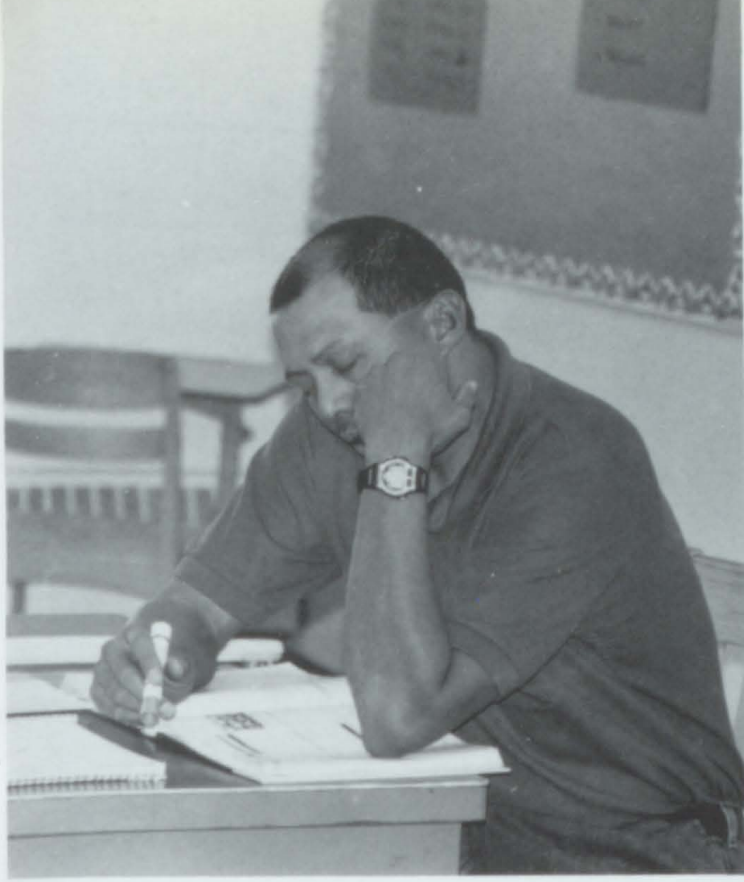
When interviewing teachers, their opinions of what makes math an important skill to have were very similar. "The logic and steps to solving a math problem can also be applied to problems in everyday life," said Mr. Thorgesen who teaches

Algebra I, Algebra II, and Life Skills Math. When asking Applied Math teacher Mr. King the question, "Why do you teach math?" he replied by saying "It provides students with a skill they can use for a lifetime." Students comments were not much different. B.J. Cicerelli, a geometry student said, "Math is a very important skill to have because it is used everyday in business."

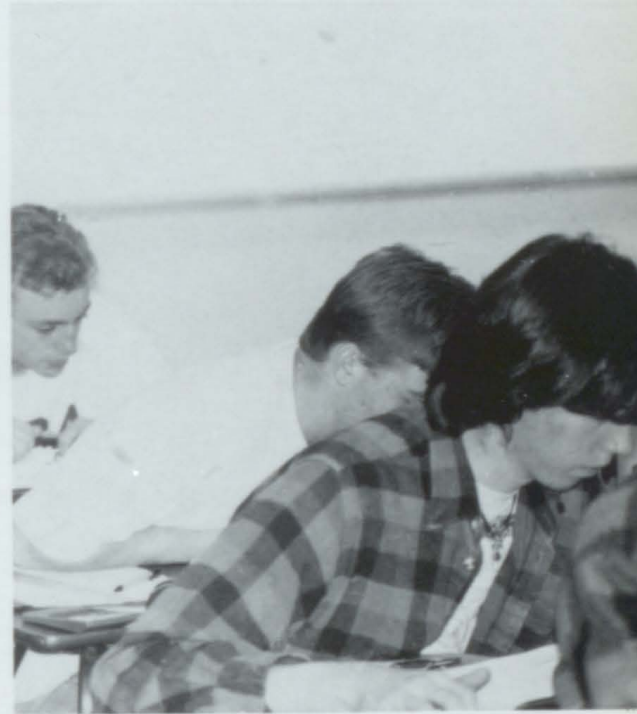
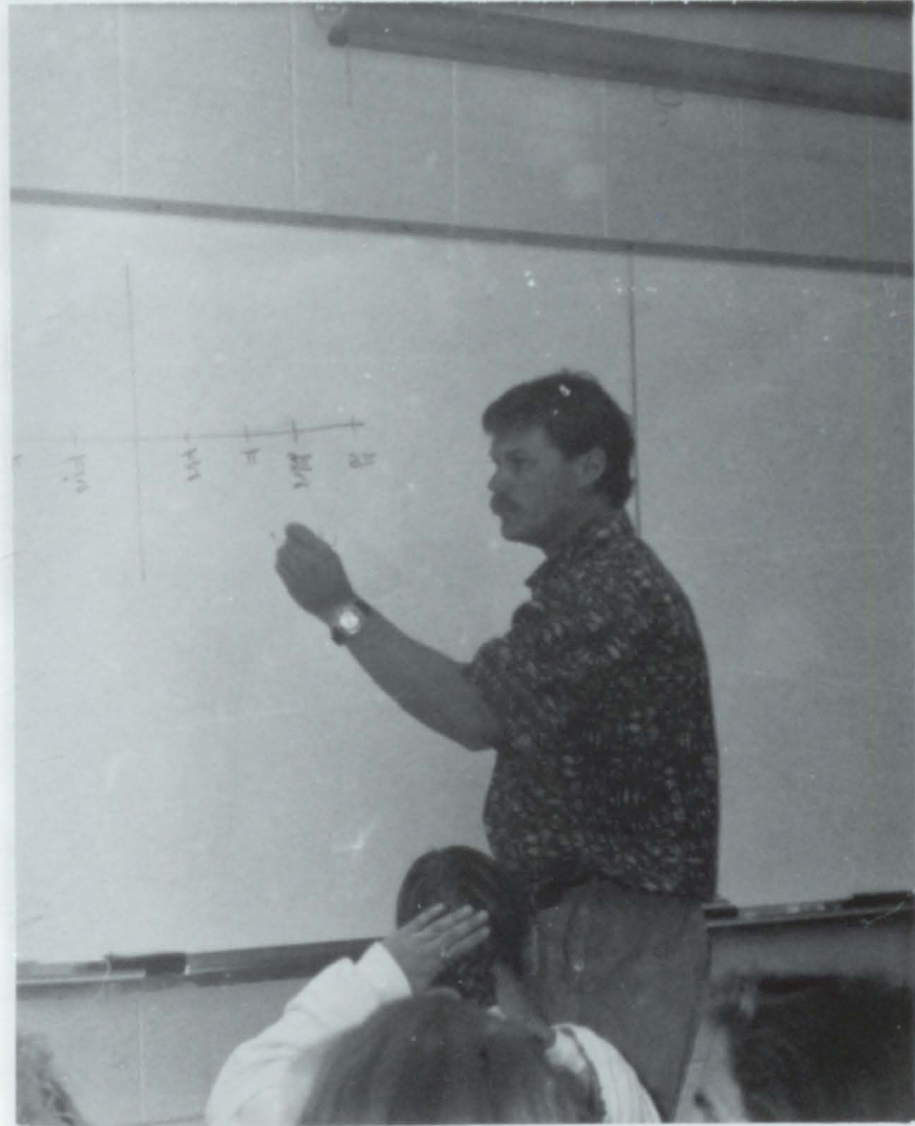
Could it be that the true comprehension of math is learning to apply its technique or memorizing formulas to ace a test? Only time will tell.



Sophomore Jolie Kahan has yet to grasp this geometry assignment while Mr. Butacan explains it again, but has yet to get the message through to Jolie.

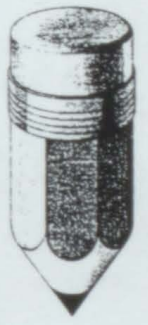


Teacher Wilson Butacan is busy with what got him his salary. He reminds himself of what his lesson plans are for the next day's lecture. Most of the students in this Trigonometry class got started on their assignment while others seem to be more interested in reading for fun.



Concentrating hard, Freshmen B.J. Cicerelli, Sean Butterfield, and Chris Brown, are trying to finish their homework before the bell rings.

Mr. Lundstrum tries to help his students understand Trigonometry through his class lecture but while holding her head Katie Lusero isn't so sure that she understands.



Focus is on Writing

by Keri Thorpe

"Journal topics are a great way to get class started."

H. Curran

Students may have experienced more writer's cramp this year. The language arts teachers, Mrs. Veeder, Mrs. Sanchez, Mrs. Curran, Mrs. Slaughter, and Mr. Lambert, are focusing more on writing skills in addition to the rest of the curriculum.

Mrs. Sanchez's English 10 classes kept a journal for the first part of the year. Mrs. Curran's English 9 classes always keep a

journal. "I try to select topics that I think will be interesting for my students while also trying to enhance their writing abilities. I've done this for three years now. Journal topics are also a great way to get class started," commented Mrs. Curran.

Language Arts isn't all writing. Classes also read novels and plays during the year. George Orwell's 1984 and Shakespeare's plays such as The Tragedy of Romeo and Juliet are

just some of the literature components of the English classes.

Of course, there's always grammar and most students seem to favor this the least. "Literature is more fun for students to do, when given a choice," added Mrs. Curran. Sophomore Terri Torian felt that, "Literature lets us be more creative."

At any rate, Language Arts classes are varied and diversified, and intended to help meet our future career needs.

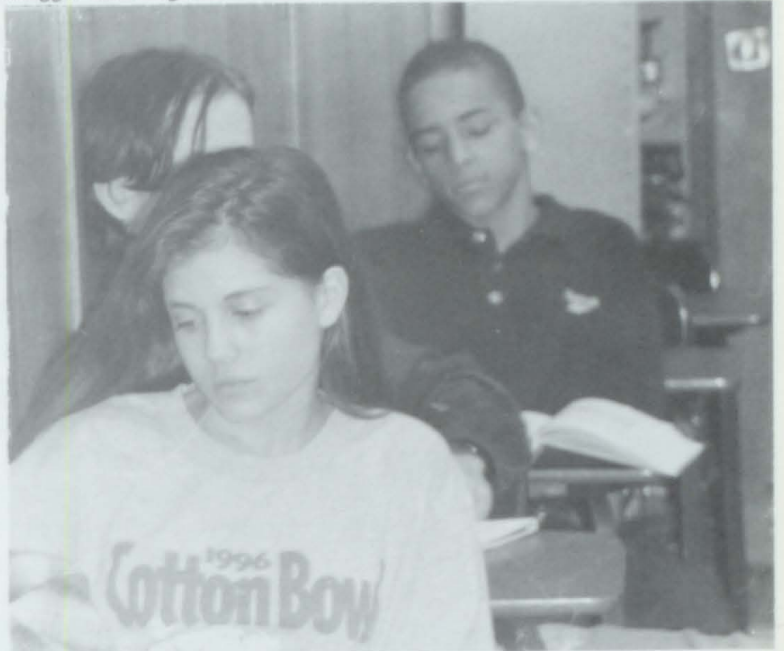


No, Mrs. Curran is not reading comics to her class. She is sharing an article from the Denver Post as a daily journal topic. Students respond in their journal to the articles with the intent that they will think and learn about significant items in the news. Other journal entries include creative thinking skills.



Freshmen Poppy Wyble and Adrian Jiron enter their response to Mrs. Curran's journal topic as part of their daily routine.

Mrs. Sanchez's English 10 class tries to absorb infinitive phrases. Students struggle with all grammar units.



Mrs. Sanchez's English 9 class is allotted class time to work on their weekly vocabulary packs.

Sophomore Cari Friend is reading to Mrs. Boshinski's 3rd grade class at the Longfellow library. She is a participant in the new REACH program in which high school speech students help show the elementary students to help show them the importance of reading.



"To get students to remember history, I tell them a story to stimulate their memories."

Mr. Dave Sanger

History Can Be Fun

by Jenni Thomas and Alicia Bond

All of the students at SHS have taken at least one of all eight of the history courses available. Most of the students enjoy World History the best, and feel that the way that it was taught really helped them. Junior Ian Grammatica quoted, "I like World History the most, because it's more interesting and detailed."

Students have a tough time remembering facts

about history, and so the teachers make learning more interesting by using different techniques of teaching instead of just stating the facts. Mr. Sanger added, "The way I try to get students to remember is to tell them a story that will help stimulate their memories."

Teaching history can be fun and exciting no matter where you teach it. Mr. Davis said, "Teaching in a smaller town is easier and their

is more concentration." Mr. Davis, who joined our school system from Colorado Springs, teaches both History and P.E., and decided that he enjoyed the "change of pace".

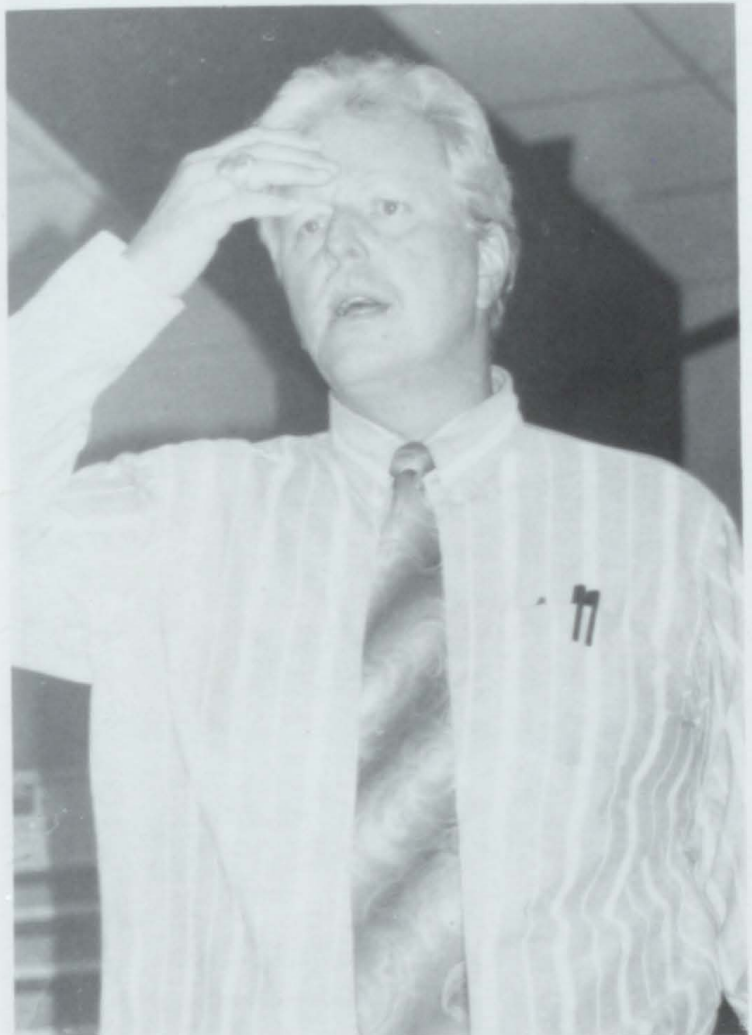


Working on their beauty sleep seems to be very important for these students in Mr. Dalrymple's 7th hour American History class. Margot Plotz thought that a yawn fit the occasion, while J.P. Keserich is upset that the camera didn't get his good side.

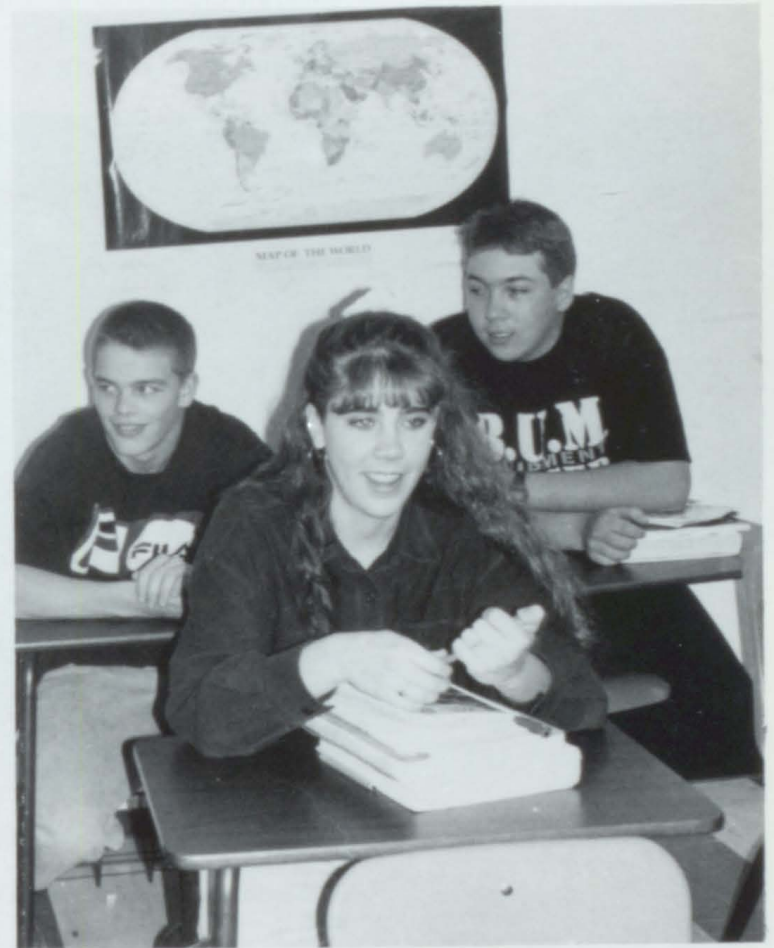


Dazed and confused could explain the way that Senior Doug Defelice feels during Mr. Dalrymple's discussion on History..

Mr. Dalrymple takes a break after a long day of lecturing, his enthused expression shows how his day has gone.



Mr. Sanger takes a few minutes to collect his thoughts before continuing his lecture after a student made an unusual comment during World History I.



As Junior Jenni Thomas tries to pay attention to the subject at hand, Juniors Stefan Veltri and David Martinez have their attention headed in a different direction.

Foreign Language Classes Travel Abroad

by Katie Lusero

Have you ever had the chance to travel out of the country? Some of the students enrolled in foreign language classes have been lucky enough to be able to travel abroad. Mrs. Imig has been teaching French for twelve years in Salida. She said, "I'll be teaching French until I retire." In 1995 she and two of her French III students went to England and France. Melissa Dere said, "I really enjoyed the discos in London and the Eiffel Tower, at night, in

Paris." The other student, Sarah Underwood added, "Versailles, a palace that could house over 10,000 people, was the most amazing part of France, and I also enjoyed the changing of the guards in front of Buckingham Palace."

"What an experience!" said Margot Plotz, of the trip to Spain last summer. Five girls and one boy had a wonderful time when they got to go to Spain with Senor Frame, Spanish teacher here at the high school. This is Senor Frame's second year in Salida. Senor

Frame said, "I like living here a lot and plan on staying for a long time, unless the students chase me out!" Senor Frame is planning another summer trip, this time to Costa Rica, and will be taking eight girls and eight boys. Jodi Quick, a sophomore who went to Spain last year said, "I hope that the students going to Costa Rica have a great time, but I do recommend that they keep a journal, or take a tape recorder." Traveling-what a great way to learn a language.

"Versailles was the most amazing part of France."

S. Underwood



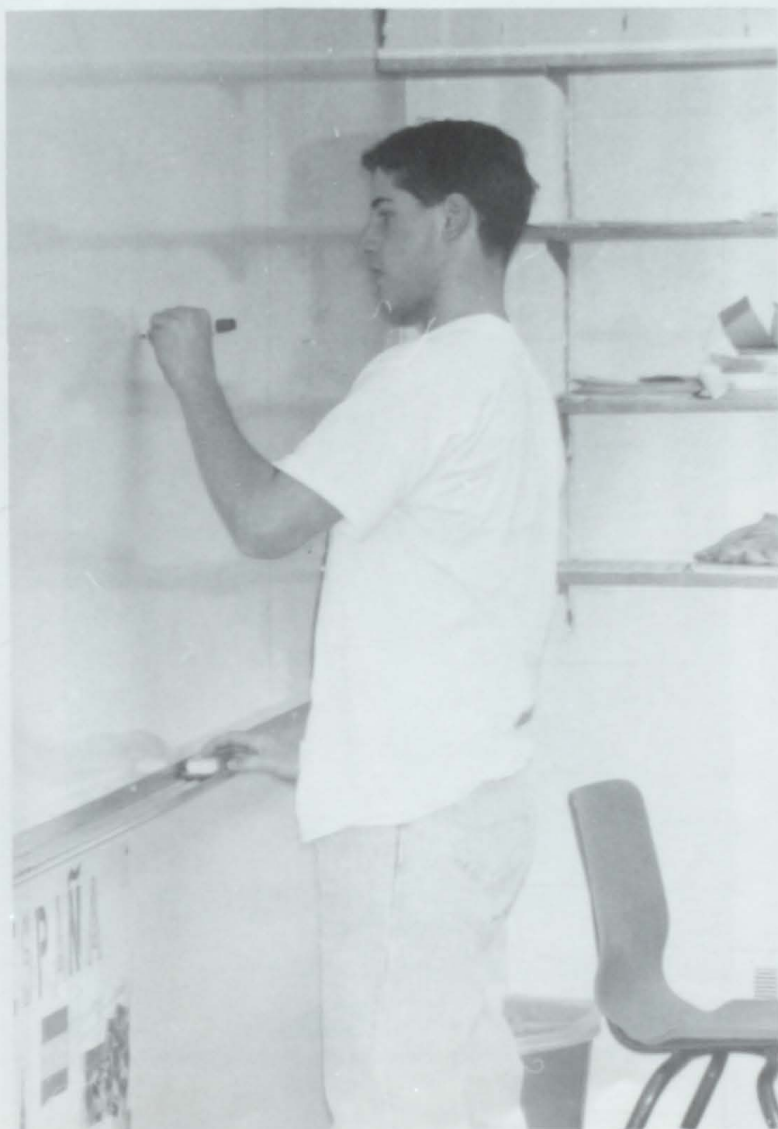
French students Alicia McClure and Bradi Naccarato average their grades at the end of the quarter in Mrs. Imig's class.

On their trip to Paris with Mrs. Imig, French students Melissa Dere and Sarah Underwood visited all the typical tourist attractions including the Eiffel Tower.



Practicing their Spanish speaking skills in Barcelona Spain are Corinne Stasco, Margot Plotz, Katie Lusero, Senor Frame, Jodi Quick and Kendra Hilton.

Senor Frame is the mediator during another round of board races. Tami Unruh awaits her turn at the board...nervously maybe?



"No comprendemos," say the faces of these 7th hour Spanish students David Monson, David Wilson, Colleen Hemmert, and Mark Thonoff.

Nick Tessitore plays board races in Spanish class to prepare for a test and earn extra credit money that will help his grade at the end of the quarter.

Business Centered Around Computers.

by Mandy Thomas & Barbara Holt

"It is our belief that every student will go to work."

Mrs. Nancy Sanger

More than ten business classes are offered to students at Salida High School. Over half of them require the use of computers. The new required class for juniors, Workplace Basics, is taught by Mrs. Nancy Sanger. She said, "It is our belief that every student will go to work." Students in the class are taught applied communications including how to use E-mail, and the Internet, and how to get

and keep a job.

Mr. Dan Lowe teaches six business classes all of which use computers. In Micro Computers, students learn various applications including using databases, spreadsheets, and the Word Processor. Advanced Business Systems is a class in which "Students apply skills and knowledge learned in the other business classes," according to Mr. Lowe.

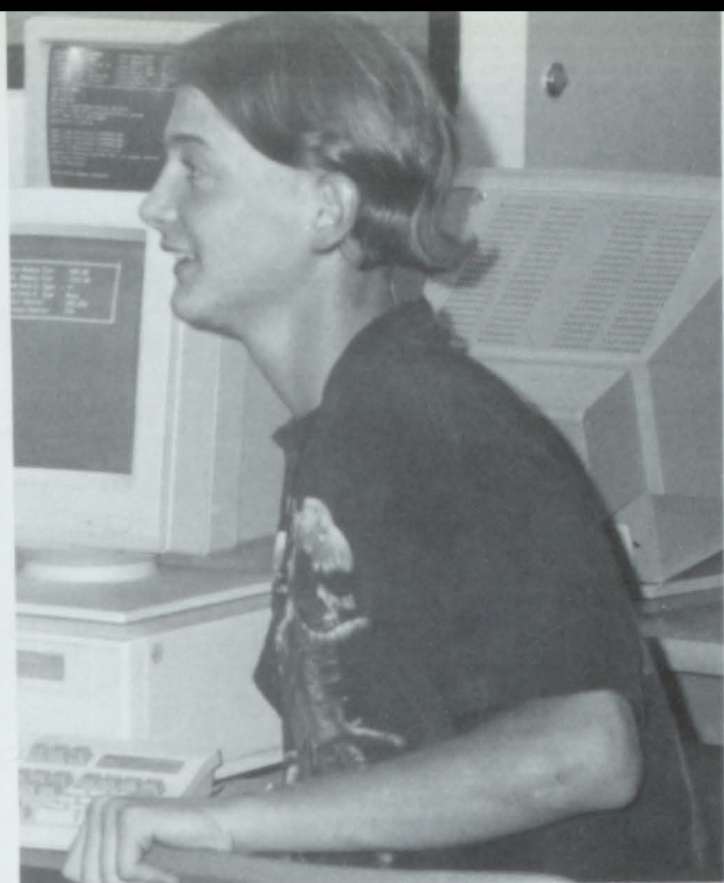
A very popular course is COOP. Students go off campus and work at a business for a grade. Instructor Mr.

Dale Miller said, "COOP is to give students exposure to the business environment." Other courses taught by Mr. Miller teach students how to get started and survive in the business world.

Today's community is largely dependent upon computers. With the courses being taken, students should be ready to take the business world by storm.

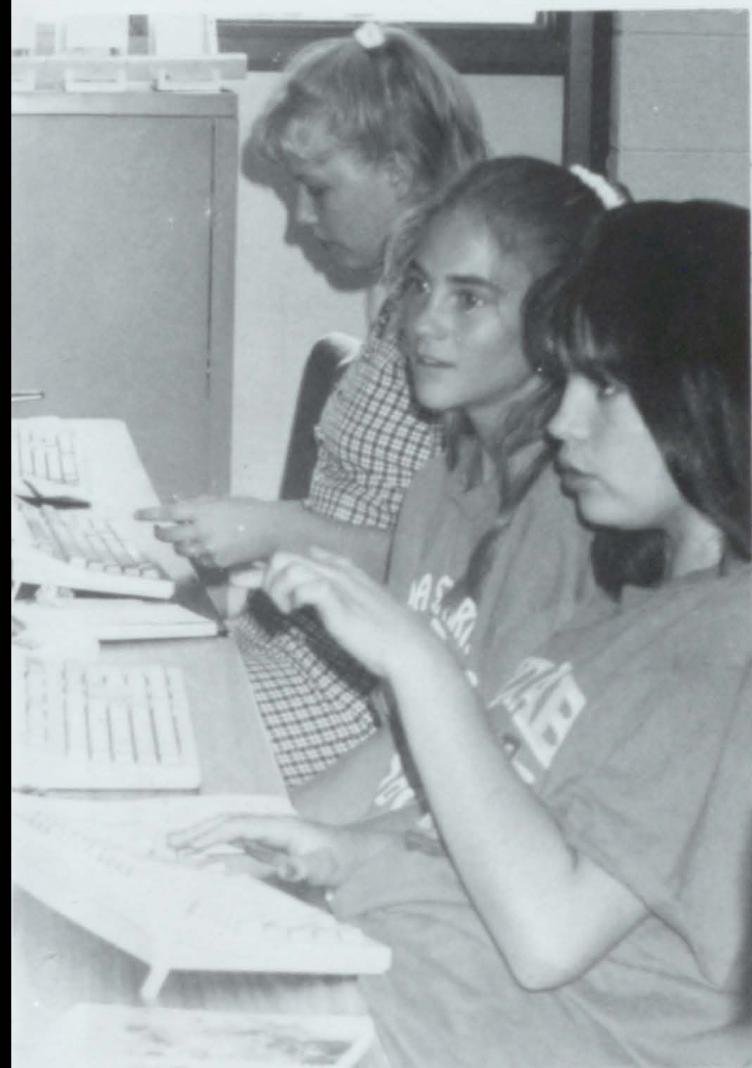


Mrs. Nancy Sanger works hard to keep her students up to date with the computer world while teaching Workplace Basics. Here she is explaining how to enter the Internet with Amos Underwod.

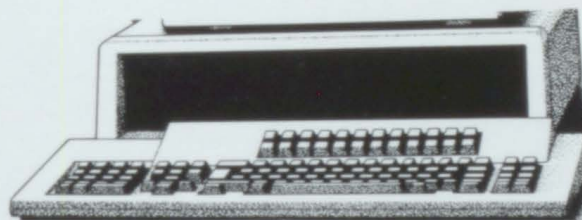


Junior Ian Gramatica takes a break from Workplace Basics to chat with a fellow classmate.

Here Senior Meann Hui has a difficult time working with the computers and wishes it was in Chinese.



Junior Shaavon Sagrillo uses a make-up day to finish an assignment in Word Processing.



Freshman Rochelle Stenzel and Kristin Curtis work together on their Word Processing assignment. Randa Ford concentrates on the assignment during this seventh hour class.

Students Enjoy the Experience

"Auto Shop is somewhere you can go to get away from the hassle of normal classes."

B. Glovan

by Jason Palmer

Industrial Arts classes, you know, those classes down in the far corners of the school, have been at Salida High for many years. They give many of Salida's students a chance to explore the opportunities in vocational education.

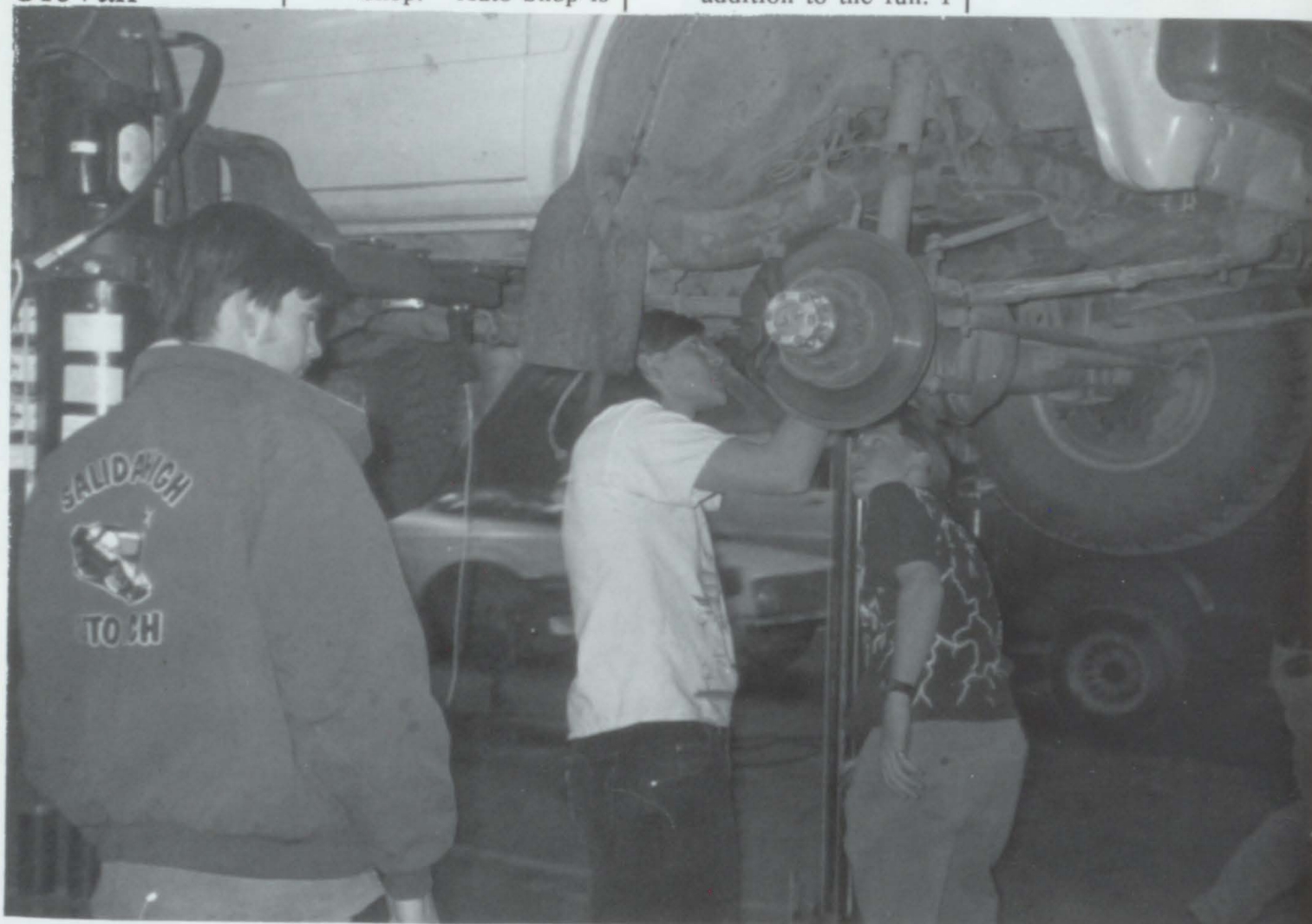
"This is one class we most learn from, and Mr. Best makes learning fun for the whole class," commented sophomore Tom Linza about Auto Shop. "Auto Shop is

somewhere we can go to get away from the hassle of normal classes, and a place to work on your own vehicle," added junior Brian Glovan.

For others, Industrial Arts classes are a chance to gain hands-on experience with Woods, or Drafting. "Wood Shop is a good experience, you get good hands on with wood working and just have fun," said junior Fabio Grasso. These classes also allow for learning a new trade in addition to the fun."I

like Drafting because you learn hands on training in architecture design" commented junior Aaron Blondeau.

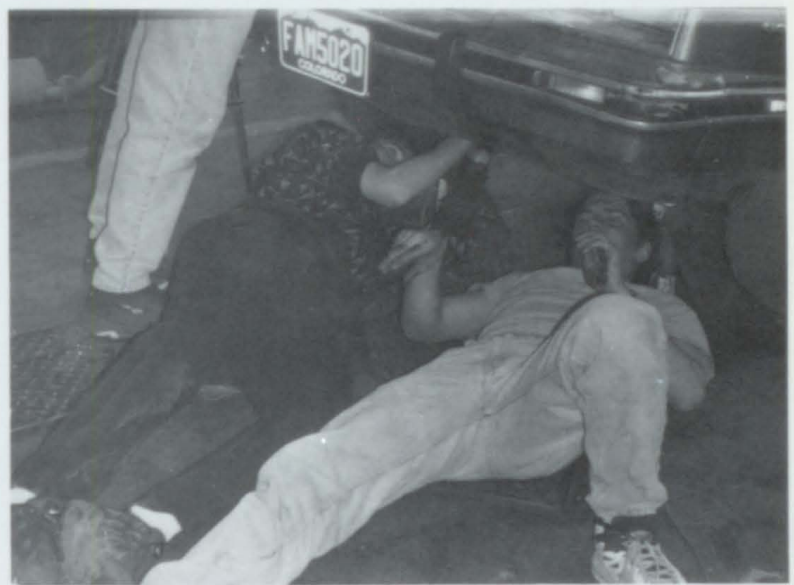
Mr. Baldauf handles the Woods and Drafting classes. It is apparent that not only are these fun classes, but the reoccurring comment of hands-on experience adds to their popularity. Gaining skills while enjoying them-nothing wrong with that.



Tom Mikesell, Chad Glovan, and Josh McBride, make the necessary repairs to this Toyota's transmission.

Sr. Jimmy Littrell is working on his workbook assignments for Computer Drafting. A fairly new course to the curriculum, Jimmy is glad to experience it first hand, as is Jess Edmiston.

Sophomores Josh Pizzino, Dan Hillegas, Randy Christiansen, and Vince Thomas are all deeply involved in various woods projects. From bread boxes to gun racks, these projects demand a great deal of time.



Pulling a starter from a car is an intricate procedure. Tom Mikesell and Sean Overstreet are doing just this to Tom's car.

During his 7th hour Drafting class, Mr. Baldauf takes the opportunity to catch up on grading papers.



Bring Art Into Your World

by Jacques Lengerich

One thing that has changed is my talent and others' talents.

D. Hall

Throughout time art has seemed to evolve. From Michaelangelo to Van Goah, there have been many great artists and masterpieces. In the past, art seemed centered around statues and materpiece paintings. Now, in the present, art seems to favor the technology and architectural points of view.

"Things here at Salida High seem to stay the same," commented Danny Hall, an Art 3

student. "One thing that has changed is my talent and many others' talents." Although life here at school is fairly constant, art students see improvement in their skills.

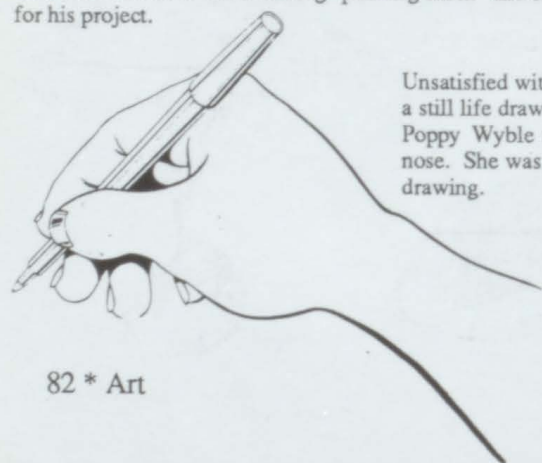
After about 20 years of teaching, instructor Rod Farney's day is different because of the schedule changes. Art 1 is third period, Art 3 and 4 are during fourth period, and Art 2 is in the afternoon. Farney's class is easy to pass, as he says, if you partici-

pate. He does look at talent in a student, but he grades on the student's work habits. Mr. Farney said he enjoys the drawing portion of his class because he gets to see improvement in his students.

Art has been known to be one of the best ways to express yourself without the use of words. Many people believe that art is a great skill to posses; it's fun and easy, it can make a great career, ant art can take you anywhere.



Sophomore Ben Merrell paints an independent project, a water color of anarchy signs, that is now hanging in the art room. Andy Modrzejewski looks on because he's bored. He is having "painting block" and can't decide what to do for his project.



Unsatisfied with her pencil drawing, a still life drawing of a cat, freshman Poppy Wyble erases and redoes its nose. She was pleased with the final drawing.



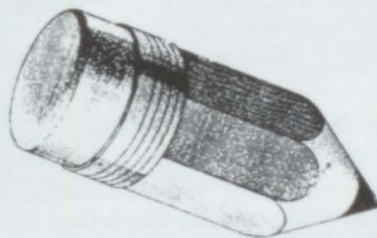
"He's teasing me!" are freshman Erica Cruz's comments about cutting up with Mr. Farney in Art I. She is working on a popular project for that class-creating your name artistically.

Senior Danny McBride is suppose to be working on his dream house, but all he can do is just daydream.



Freshman Beaver Brady is intrigued with senior Nathan Johnson's rendition of an enormous gorilla.

Junior Corinne Stasco works on designing her dream house in Art 3 using different points of view and angles to construct it. After creating the design, she is currently painting the finished house.



Preparing for the Future...

"You're going to

have to deal
with this kind of
stuff everyday."

Mrs. Kerrigan

by Alison Nelson

The courses taught by Mrs. Kerrigan and Mrs. Tessitore are definitely valued assets to everyday living. These courses range from Foods to Relationships. When asked why do you think it is important to take some of these courses, Senior Ethan Oswald responded by saying, "It prepares you for life after high school."

This year Child Development classes kept busy with the new babies. Mrs. Kerrigan, the child development teacher, quoted that "The babies help the students realize that it is not as easy as it seems. These classes help you prepare for the future, because you're going to have to deal with this kind of stuff everyday."



Practicing playing mom, Freshman Alanna Murdock washes her baby in Child Development class taught by Mrs. Kerrigan.



Concentrating, Kate Sugaski puts the final ingredients into the fruit salad that she has created.



A newcomer to the high school's Home Economic classes is Mrs. Tessitore. Here she is learning the ropes as she teaches.



Ryan Cannon and Ethan Oswald eagerly fill their plates with the food they cooked up for their brunch. In the meantime C.J. Lambert and Shaavon Sagrillo wait patiently in line.

Senior Tracy Tompkins will drop her coffee cake if she is not careful. Tracy and Junior Heather Jackson made this cake for their afternoon brunch in Foods I.

The Changes Make it Possible for the Music Students to "Rock On."

by Mindy Margos and Sabrina Brown

"This is the first "real" jazz band in years."

Mrs. Matzke

The band and choir have gone through many changes this year. They started the year off with a new teacher, Genise Matzke, who brought many new ideas for improving both the band and choir. To raise money for uniforms and trips, the choir and band took part in various types of fundraisers. Mrs. Matzke feels that, "The choir worked hard and has earned the repu-

tation of having high standards for singing." The addition of five guys to the twenty-three girls, brought base to the music that they performed. The boys also made it possible to do three and four part songs instead of two part songs. The members of the choir take part in many individual competitions and concerts, including the winter and spring concerts.

"The band has worked very hard," said Mrs. Matzke. "They are playing at more sporting activities and this is the first "real" jazz band in years. With their good work ethic, fourteen band members participated in the IML Honor Band." They even wore the Spartan uniforms purchased many years ago for Homecoming. They're really rocking.



Bradi Naccarato helps Chrystal Smith prepare for the Christmas Program.



Brandon Read, Elizabeth Earl, and Kenneth Muniz put on their shades to show just how jazzy they can be.

Top row: Bobby Rich, Joey Monson, Albert Lionelle, Sean Overstreet,
 Second row: Bryant Trujillo, Dan Bergevin, Tom Linza, Travis Dooley, Elizabeth Earl, Sean Butterfeild, Kenneth Muniz, Michael Nay, Jason Thompson, Barry Snyder, Nathan Smith, Seth Thomas, Amy Bashton, Mira Hopkins Chrystal Smith, Casey Holman, Kyle Davidson, Rob Overstreet, Jennifer McQuitty, Amy Cure Bradi Naccarato, Tawnya Sheris, Laura Schoech, Heather Jackson





Top row: Dan Bergevin, Ira Christensen, Second row: Bonny Block, Jessica Sherer, Charis Perschbacher, Jennifer Aldrich, Ginger White, Readon Martinez, Misty Stotler, Devyn Heeke Third row: Dorothy Nay, Jennifer McQuitty, Alicia McClure, Tami McCarl, Tawnya Sheris, Tiffany Weis, Alysha Yarbrough Fourth row: Sylvia Morawa, Sharen Fortune, Sarah Finney, Mira Hopkins, Amy Cure, Shannon Sheris, Jamie Miller



Dan Bergevin, Brandon Read, Raydon Martinez, Kristy Read, Chad Clarkson, Alicia McClure, Tawnya Sheris, and Jessica Sherer do their part to intertain during a Booster Club Award Ceramony.



Devyn Heeke, Ginger White, Amy Cure, Jamie Miller, Jennifer Aldrich, and Charis Perschbacher felt that the Christmas Program was the best program that they had ever participated in.

Cory Thorpe, Ira Christensen, Tracey Tompkins, and Jennifer Robertson sing their best to show their appreciation for their teacher and their music.

New People, New Ideas

by Lesley Reno

"I hope I will be prepared enough to keep Tenderfoot's reputation."

J. Kahan

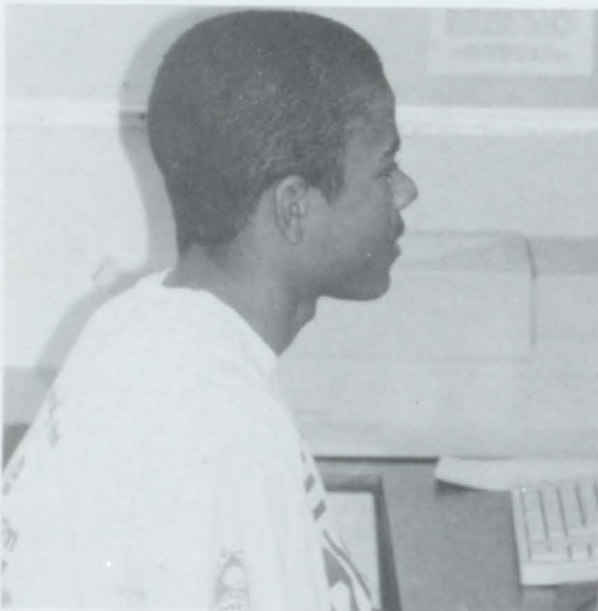
According to Tenderfoot Times editor Damy Anderson, "Tenderfoot got off to a slow start this year." Even with their "slow start," Tenderfoot Times once again, has received top honors. Our school newspaper took 1st in State at the Colorado High School Press Association Awards, won the All American Four Marks of Distinction Award from the National Scholastic Press

Association, and was a finalist in the 1994-95 National Pacemaker competition. They placed 5th out of 200 entries!

Tenderfoot Times has also tried some new ideas this year. They've put in more students' cartoons, and different and more varied columnists, as per requests from surveys done early in the year. December 15th was a landmark edition of the Times. Their first ever full-color photo was featured on the cover of the Christmas edition. This was made possible, in part, because of the

Mountain Mail's new and enhanced technology. The Mountain Mail has published our monthly newspaper since 1972 when advisor Mr. Dixon came on board. He commented that "back in the old days," the Mountain Mail used single color and he remembers an early issue of the Times featured in bright orange during hunting season.

With its impeccable reputation for excellence, this year's assistant editor Jolie Kahan is already looking to next year and worries, "I hope I will be prepared enough next year to keep Tenderfoot's reputation."

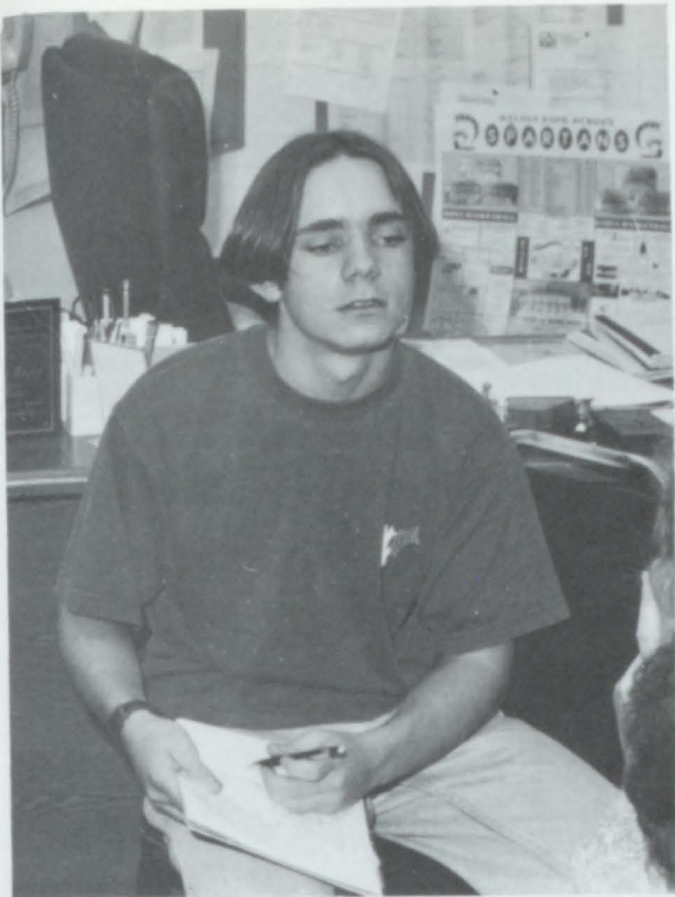


New to Tenderfoot, Alvin Jiron works on cutlines or captions in the journalism room. He finds them as hard to do, as the Le Resume' staff does.

Editor Damy Anderson "lives" in the Tenderfoot Times/Le Resume' office working on the computer. This time Damy busily works on editorials for the upcoming issue.

Assistant Editor Jolie Kahan is learning the ropes this year from Damy. Next year Jolie will be facing the challenges of keeping Tenderfoot Time's reputation.





Exchange student Benoit Pointet learns from his interview that, "The Russians aren't as different from us as we think."

A veteran to Tenderfoot, Casey Prentiss's duty is to run the ad department of the newspaper. He lays out the business pages and gets them ready for upcoming issues.



A rookie to the Times, Ian Frizzell is learning how the darkroom works. Here he is practicing enlarging negatives on the enlarger.

Working in the darkroom for Jeff Gardunio is like a piece of cake. Jeff takes the sports pictures for the paper and in here is preparing to roll some film.

Not pictured: Mr. Dixon, Megan Eggert, Erica Cruz, Mike McFarland



"I learned a lot about the camera and techniques." said Jr. Kim Kaspar

Yearbook Memories

by Patty Giron

High Altitude Attitude" is the name of the game for the 1996 Le Resume' classes as they created memories for all of us at Salida High.

During the summer, four staff members and one editor joined Mrs. Curran on a week long yearbook camp in Pueblo at U.S.C. to get a head start on the 96' yearbook. They accomplished making the title, color, cover, and theme of the book.

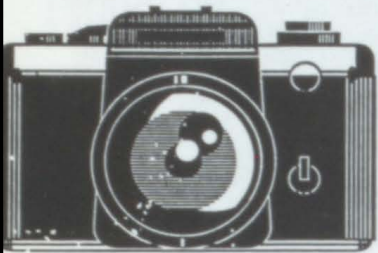
They also came back with three layouts and a better trained photographer. Jr. Kim Kaspar said, "It was fun, I learned a lot about the camera and different techniques that some schools in Colorado use."

At the yearbook camp three of the four staff members and the editor sat in an all day seminars about how to make a better yearbook, including learning how to improve captions and thinking up catchy

themes. They also learned how to produce eye catching headings for their stories. Kim Kaspar took the photography sessions all week.

With a head start from the summer, the staff was able to spend more time with the pages to give a picture that will stay with us forever.

Memories Salida High will never forget captured in the 96' yearbook, will help us all look ahead with great attitudes to the future.



Mrs. Curran is helping Fr. Jacques Lengerich get a better idea of how the darkroom operates.

Lacey Schwitzer interviews Jr. Laura Efird for F.C.C.L.A. during club picture day.

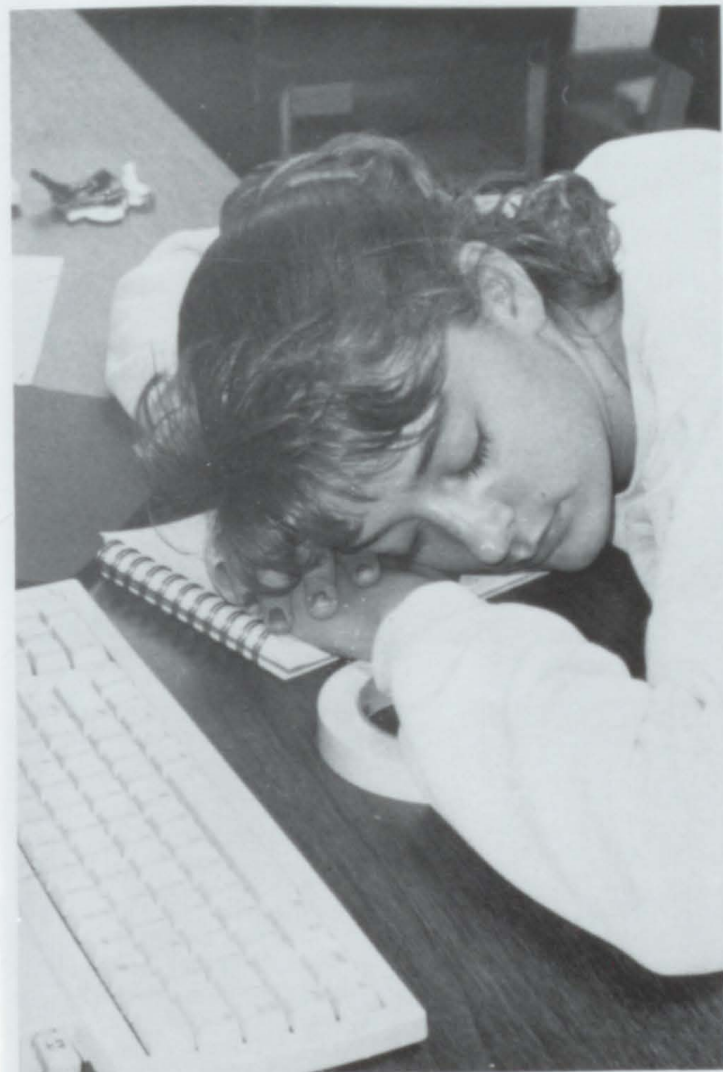
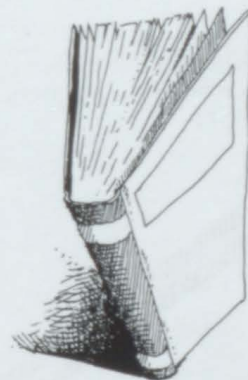


Co-Editor Patty Giron is happy with the way the yearbook class has been going this year.

Sr. Darcy Curtis has fun inputting her drama story on the computer layout design.



Newly appointed Asst. Editor Lesley Reno has fun doing interviews for the science pages.



Co-Editor Gusti Argys seems exhausted after a long day of journalism.

Healthy Bodies Abound

by Adam Christensen

"We should use the outdoors for more fun in P.E."

J. Davis

PE. has added a new member to its staff. Joe Davis, a former Salida High graduate, has moved back and now teaches P.E., history, and he also coaches boys freshmen basketball. Davis graduated in 1976 and has taught in three other schools before moving back to Salida.

"We have so many more activities we can use because of the possible outdoor activities that we haven't tapped

into," commented Davis. "We should use the outdoors for more fun in P.E." Salida High is in the process of considering a skiing program.

Another item still being worked out is the gender-based classes. This topic was addressed many times with the question still undecided. One student, Gina Madone, commented, "Guys and girls should be together. It teaches the two to accept differences among

each other." The school board is planning to further address this issue.

Finally, the zero hour weightlifting class has been quite popular and crowded. Davis again commented, "We have an advantage over the city school because we have such smaller classes and the teacher has more control over the games and activities." An additional teacher has helped to maintain a healthy attitude around here and keep the P.E. program thriving.



Keeping his concentration, freshman Adrian Jiron cleans 135lbs. during zero-hour weightlifting. The weight cage is quite crowded in the early morning and after school hours.



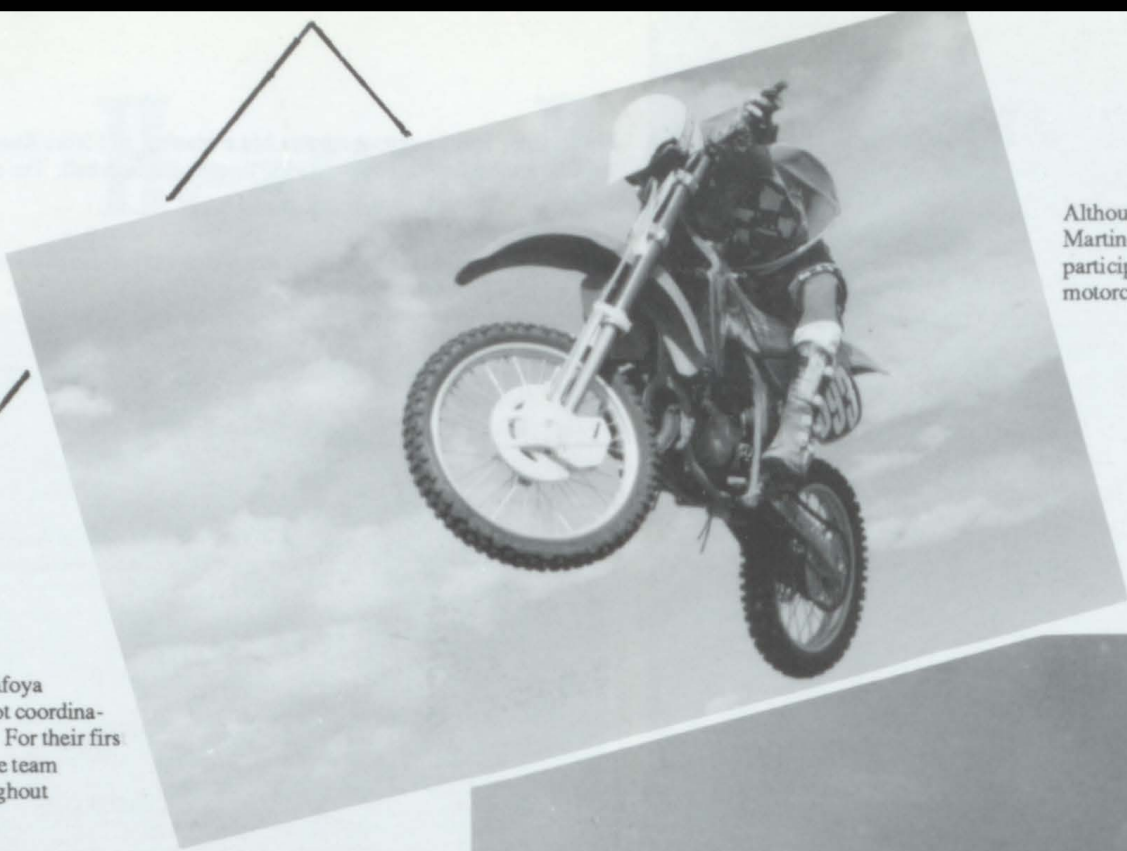
Senior Tom Truitt and sophomores Mike Marzolf and Issac Rhodes chase one another around the field house during a game of dodge ball. The competition is fierce.

Junior Sean Scanga laces up the old tennis shoes to prepare to warm up around the basketball court.



Freshman Tana Turner strengthens her calf and thigh muscles. Leg strength is essential in all sports.

Freshman Will Faber creates a new game of hockey with a shuffleboard disc with his partner Joey Lucero. The assignment was to invent and name a new game. They have not yet named their game and have since settled on playing baseball with a volleyball.



Although not a school sport, Sr. Larry Martinez, like many other students, participates in other sports such as motorcycle racing.

Sr. Stephanie Tafoya practices her foot coordination at practice. For their first year, she felt the team improved throughout the season.



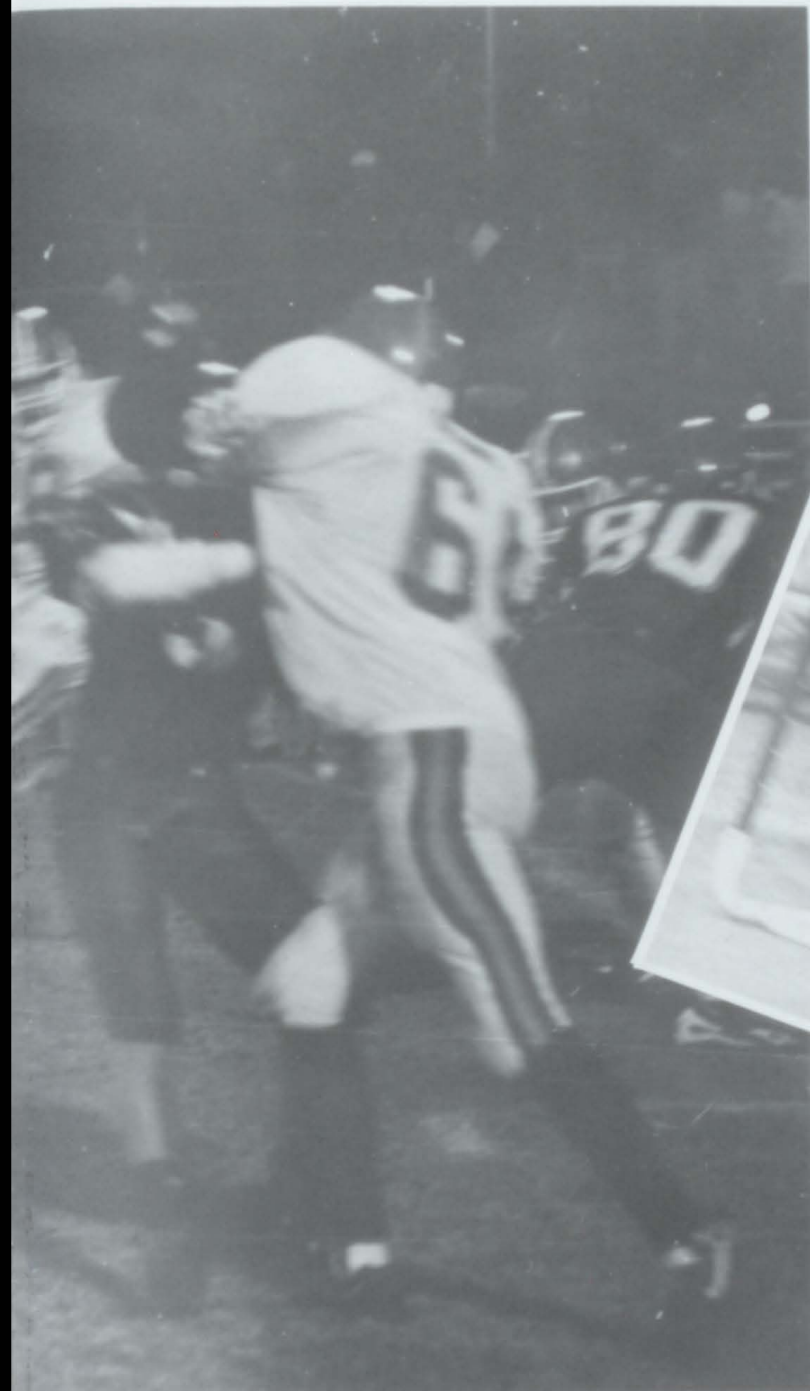
High Perspiration

By Kristin Kotowski and Lesley Reno

Life at 7,000ft. definitely has its advantages. Where else can you live surrounded by Colorado beauty, and also participate in sports that give you an edge above the rest? Teams come to our valley and SUCK WIND since they're not acclimated to our altitude. We're used to it, of course. And then, when we travel to lower altitudes, we have endless energy since we can BREATHE. No need to worry about perspiration. We can handle it.

It's all in the attitude and ours is superior when it comes to sports. With the addition of boys and girls soccer this year, we now offer thirteen different sports for students to choose. Who perspires in the spring around here anyway? This is usually the time we get our snow. It wasn't quite as much this year as it was last year. Moving into a new league next year may cause some new perspiration. We'll have to wait and see.

Preparing for her next meet in Fountain, Sr. Nicole Will practices quicker steps and speed for her 200 meter hurdles.



With good protection from the front line, Soph. Brian Stout looks for an open receiver at the game against Buena Vista. We won 41-20.

Junior Katie Lusero and #6 both run for a 50-50 ball.



Girls Kick Up their Heels

-by Katie Lusero & Barbara Holt

Soccer kicks into high gear this year with the boys' team in the fall and now the girls in the spring. This was a new experience for all involved. "I'm proud of all we did and how much we improved," were the sentiments of freshman Barbara Gerlach.

Since, few schools in our district have soccer teams, the girls were forced to travel around the state for competition. They even had to stay over night in Denver and in Glenwood Springs due to the distance factor. Of course, the team didn't seem to mind, even if the teachers did.

This was a learning year for all. Accord-

ing to Coach Todd Bright, "Overall, the season was a success. I think we improved; everyone worked really hard. That was one of our goals."

The girls were pleased with their new coach as witnessed at the May school board meeting. Many spoke on his behalf to be hired as a full-time science teacher rather than as permanent sub. Bright has expressed concern with becoming a science teacher and the girls don't want to lose him. They will have to wait and see what transpires.

Finally, many 8th graders are interested in joining next year. With only two girls graduating, this will add to the team's depth and strength.

"Overall, the season was a success."
T. Bright

Junior Margot Plotz struggles to control the ball, but her opponent doesn't want to give up easily.



Freshman Alanna Murdock may have to make a sliding tackle if she is going to beat the other team to the ball.



Top: Coach Bright, Stephani Tafoya, Jolie Kahan, Tana Turner, Vanessa Schirmer, Kristy Kalivoda, Barbara Gerlach, Barbara Holt, Kristy Palmer, Sylvia Morowa, Coach Salisbury. 2nd: Bindi Williams, Melissa, Salazar, Melanie Cordova, Alanna, Murdock, Margot Plotz, Arame' Cantrell, Erica Cruz, Jennifer Robertson, Brandon Turner. 3rd: Lindsay McAllister, Amanda Dyer, Katie Lusero, Laura Schoech, Jennifer Treat.

Score Box

Team (H-A)	Date	Us-Them
Skyview-A	Mar.9	0-10
Glenwood-A	Mar.14	0-9
Widefield-H	Mar.18	0-6
Vall Mtn.-A	Mar.21	0-4
Tournament	Mar.22	0-7/0-6
Faith Christ.	Mar.23	2-1
Alamosa-H	Apr.1	3-1
Basalt-H	Apr.6	1-3
Ftn. Valley-A	Apr.8	1-3
Harrison-H	Apr.9	1-5
Harrison-A	Apr.18	0-6
Basalt-H	Apr.20	2-3
Districts	Apr.24	0-12

@ Lewis Palmer



Senior Stephani Tafoya and sophomore Kristy Palmer try to work together to control the ball, keep #14 out of the play, and move the ball up field.



Fr. Melanie Cordova tries to pull the ball back, hoping her opponent will pass by her.

Jeff Marques and Dean Warren congratulate each other after Jeff hurries the quarterback, and Dean makes the sack - Teamwork!



With pressure from the other team, quarterback Brian Stout completes a pass for a touchdown against Eagle Valley.



Best Record in 16 Years

-by Heather Lucero

"We were expected to finish fourth in the league and no one expected us to make it to the playoffs," quoted captains Dean Warren, Stephen Guccione, and J.P. Keserich. Yet the Spartans did make it to the State quarter-finals.

In the first round of the play-offs, Salida beat Faith Christian 41-12 at a home game. The quarter-finals were also home against Eagle Valley with a 9-0 record. The Spartans were ahead 14 to 12 at half time. Sr. Wilen Hopkins said, "By half, I expected we would come out as winners, but we didn't." The Spartans lost by three points in the last few seconds of the

**"I hope we make it to the play-offs next year. It will be harder being in a different league."
Adrian Jiron**

game. Our football team has not been to the play-off quarter finals since 1979-16 years ago. "We are still pleased with the season because we had the best record in 16 years," according to Sr. Dean Warren. Sometimes

experience is not what it takes to win. Sr. Austin Chrestensen felt that, "We won a lot of games, and a lot of people were dedicated. We just have to have a big heart and play hard." The Salida Spartans had many hard working players, and a lot of dedicated people which inspired them to accomplish what they have achieved.

"The pain was excruciating!" After a hard hit from Eagle Valley, Stephen Guccione wants to get back in the game. Coaches are cautious to make sure he's alright first.



Top: James DeCock, Wilen Hopkins, Dustin Dague, Jeff Pearson, J.P. Keserich, Erik Smith, Nick Tessitore, Sheth LaRue, Coach Cogan. 2nd: Matt Modrzewski, Zach Cordova, Bob Edmonds, Abram Vigil, Lars Thorgesen, Josh Criswell, Shane Valdez, Mike Gentile, Albert Lionelle. 3rd: Josh Pizzino, Jeff Marques, Brian Stout, Austin Chrestensen, Dean Warren, Justin Veltri, Pat Guffy, Corban Soules, Danny Stotler, Jason Liswood, Mark Thonoff. 4th: Erik Young, Jason Batchelor, Jim Littrell, Stephen Guccione, Tate Scanga, Kyle Swartz, Alvin Jiron, Pat Walker.



Kyle Swartz catches the ball and scrambles up the field looking to score a touchdown against Eagle Valley.

Score Box

Date Team(Home-Away) Us-Them

Aug. 25	Woodland Park (H)	
Sept. 1	Rye (H)	8-23
Sept. 8	Battle Mtn.(A)	20-6
Sept. 15	Pagosa (H)	28-6
Sept. 23	Ignacio (H)	35-6
Sept. 30	Bayfield (A)	0-37
Oct. 7	Lake County(A)	39-16
Oct. 13	Monte Vista(H)	43-16
Oct. 21	Centauri (A)	30-23
Oct. 27	Buena Vista(H)	41-20
Nov. 4	Faith Christian(H)	41-12
Nov.11	Eagle Valley(H)	27-30



After blitzing through the line, Vince Thomas sacks the Ignacio quarterback, while J.P Keserich watches him make the kill.

Sam Minnis serves up an ace against the Centauri Falcons. Spartans lost a tough battle 15-10, 16-14.



Nicole Will goes for a kill against the Lake County Panthers. Spartans won 15-7, 15-8.



1st Round Loss Ends Season -by Nicole Will

The 1995-96

Volleyball season came to a screeching halt for the Varsity team due to a first round loss to the Ignacio bobcats--
AGAIN. The girls lost to this same team last year, and also in the first round.

**"I felt I had a lot of self-improvement due to Coach Hansen and the seniors."
Amy Swantek**

the right time." For some, it may very well be their last time on a volleyball court, others will play next year in college, or back on this varsity team.

The J.V. and Freshmen teams also completed their seasons. J.V. finished with a

3-9 record and lots of experience. Junior Sabrina Brown feels, "Overall the season went pretty good, but I can't say some of my true feelings." Now the Freshmen finished with a solid 9-8 and will definitely be contenders next year.

The

team did not accomplish its goals of going past the District tournament. However, Coach Doug Hansen thinks that the year went quite well. He feels the girls worked as a team. "This year's team was a young team. Even though they were young, the girls still peaked at

The Lady Spartans J. V. team gets ready for their next attack against the Monte Vista Pirates. What is Kristin Kotowski shocked about?

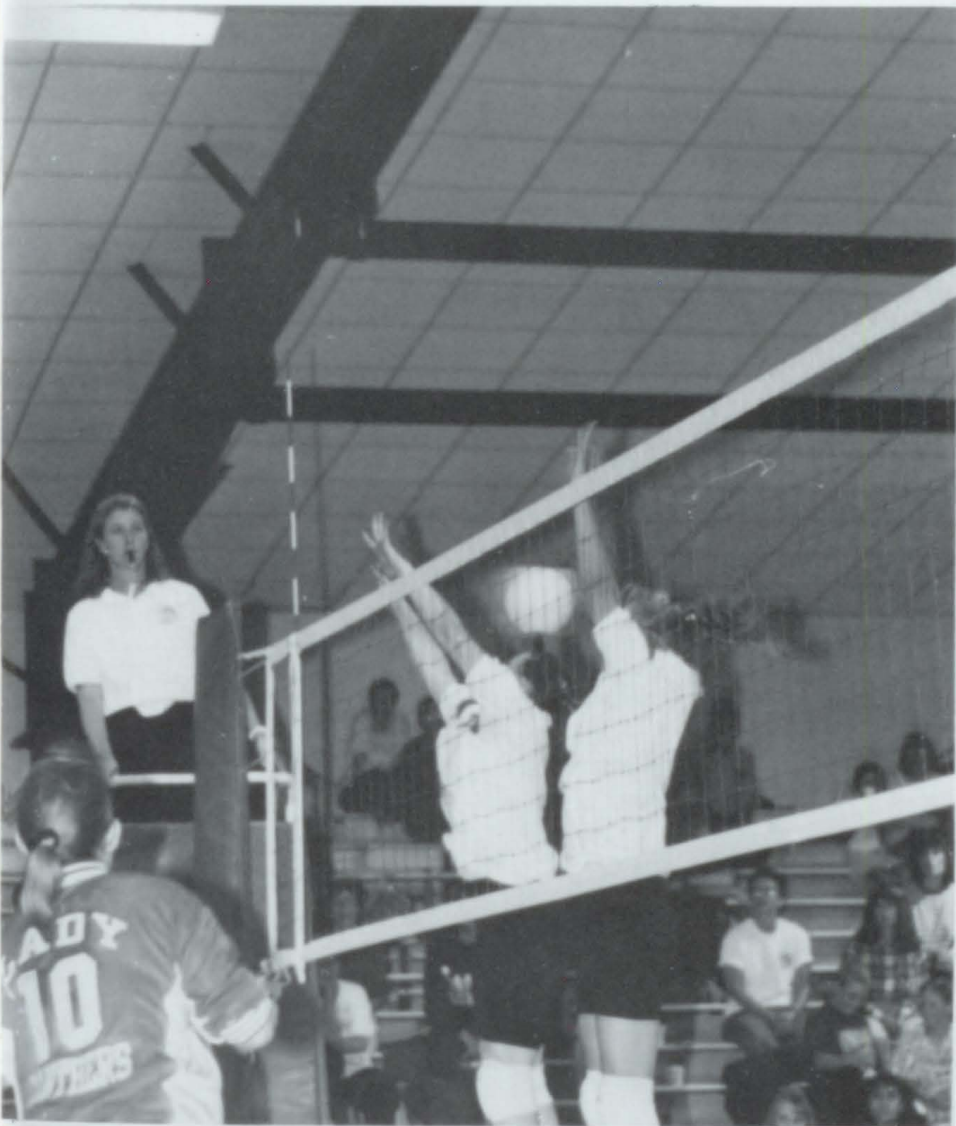




Top: Coach Dough Hansen, Colleen Hemmert, Amy Swantek, Cari Friend, Cathi Toler, Coach Jan Hansen. 2nd Row: Alicia Bond, Sam Minnis, Sharen Fortune.
 3rd Row: Nicole Will, Erin Schmidt, Jennv DeLuca, Kate Sugaski.

Score Box

Date	Team	Us-Them
Sept. 1	Cotopaxi	1-2
Sept. 7	South Park	2-0
Sept. 9	Pueblo Tourn	
	Ourray	2-0
	Pueblo Central	2-0
	Custer County	2-1
	Summit	0-2
	Rocky Ford	2-1
Sept. 12	Gunnison	2-1
Sept. 14	Buena Vista	2-0
Sept. 16	Monte Vista	0-2
Sept. 21	Lake County	2-0
Sept. 29	Centauri	0-2
Sept. 30	South Park	2-0
Oct. 3	Centauri	0-2
Oct. 5	Lake County	1-2
Oct. 12	Buena Vista	2-0
Oct. 20	Westcliffe	2-0
Oct. 21	Gunnison	2-1
Oct. 24	Monte Vista	2-0
Oct. 28	Dist.-Ignacio	1-2



Sr. Erin Schmidt and Sophomore Cathi Toler go up for a double block against the Lake County Panthers. The Lady Spartans won 15-7, 15-8.



Kate Sugaski serves one in for the Lady Spartans in that close one against the Centauri Falcons. Centauri proved to be a nemesis of the Lady Spartans all season.



A "Do It Because We Can" Attitude

-by Darcy Curtis

On your marks... Set... Bang! Off they go, the boys and girls teams run all the way to State, again. Leading the pack was Aaron Blondeau with 11 consecutive victories. This is his 2nd straight league, and Regional championship. To end the season, Aaron earned a 2nd place at State. The boys team qualifiers were Bobby Block, Ryan Butacan, Ian Minnis, and Chris Krajicek. The boys ran for a 2nd place at Regionals and 5th at State.

Nicole Zielinko is Salida's first four-year state qualifier. She had the highest league finish by any Salida girl ever. This year she placed 4th at Regionals and 25th at State. The girls state qualifiers were Heather Wesbrook, Bridget Dusza, Melissa Zielinko, and Stephani Tafoya.

Striving for change, the girls team wore protest t-shirts early this year. They wore them because they felt they had lack of support, recognition, and rejection of their other t-shirt ideas. Three t-shirt ideas were submitted and rejected, because they could have given a double meaning. The protest shirt said, "We get support" with a slash through it on the front, and on the back, "Who says freedom of speech is still in style? I'd like to see the powers that be run even a mile."

Mr. Ragan and Mr. Champlin had a talk with four of the protesting girls. When the girls left, they were under the impression that there would be change. Staci Teter commented, "Look at the track, it still isn't graded!" In the end a team shirt was decided upon. It read, front: "We do it because we can," back: "Run Longer, Run Harder, Run Faster."

Nikki Zielinko places 5th at her first and last home meet.



Getting ready for the big State meet at Aurora Reservation, Aaron Blondeau practices his stride.



Schedule

Date	Place
Sept. 1	Kent Denver
Sept. 9	Lake County
Sept. 16	Alamosa
Sept. 19	Florence
Sept. 23	Fountain-Ft Carson
Sept. 26	Buena Vista
Sept. 30	Pueblo Central
Oct. 3	Salida
Oct. 6	Wasson
Oct. 10	Cotopaxi
Oct. 14	Sargent (League)
Oct. 21	Fountain Valley (Regional)
Oct. 28	Aurora Res. (State)

At the first Salida meet in 19 years, Bridget Dusza places 10th.



Top: Ron Oglesby, James DeCock, Aaron Blondeau, Stephani Tafoya, Nicole Zielinko, Bobby Block, Rob Overstreet, Coach Butacan. 2nd: James Stone, Ian Minnis, Heather Wesbrook, Melissa Zielinko, Andy Lutz, Ryan Butacan. Not pictured: Darcy Curtis, Bridget Dusza, Bobbi Rich, Staci Teter, Chris Krajicek.

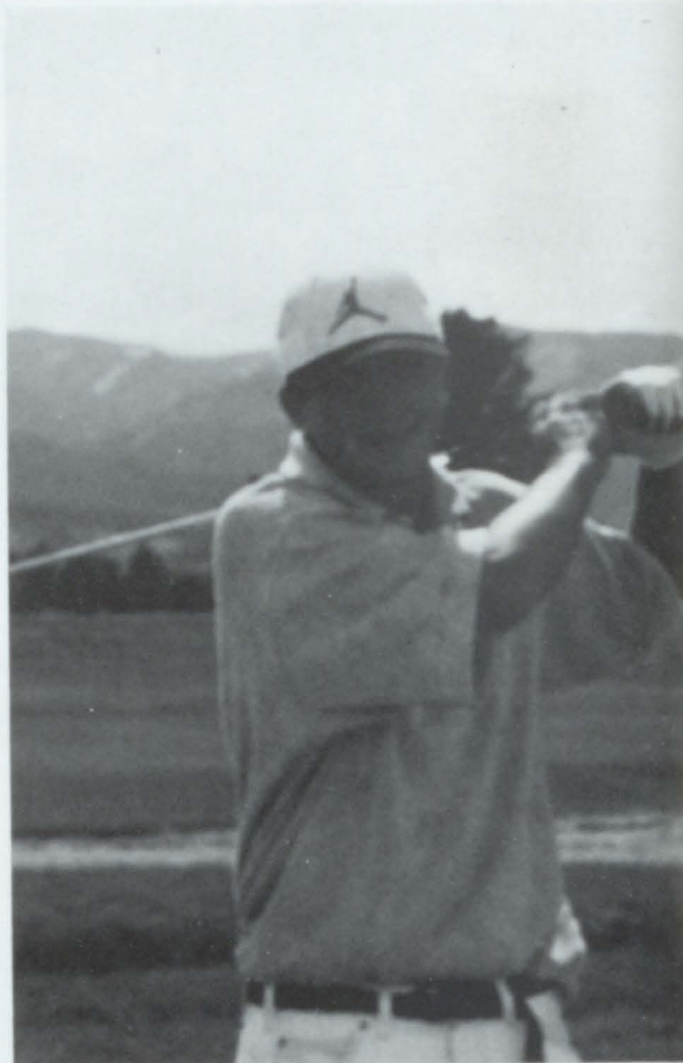


Chris Krajicek shares an "alien handshake" with Bobbi Rich and Melissa Zielinko.

Nathan Johnson, Issac Rhodes, Casey Holman, Tim Edmonds, and Tim Kerrigan await their turn in front of the camera during picture day this summer.



Freshmna B.J. Cicerelli seems to enjoy the Butch Braswell tournament.



Golfers Look to Next Year -by Mindy Margos

According to Coach Barry Spence, this year's golf team "had it's ups and downs but they learned a lot." They are a new and rebuilding team this year with a lot to look forward to in the years ahead.

**"The team had its ups and downs."
Coach Spence**

Placing in the top five for most of the matches of the season, Senior Cory Smith was the only person to go to the State finals in Pueblo this year. His final score was 163, which put him about 60th in the State. Cory feels that this is a big improvement for him over last year.

With underclassmen comprising the majority of the team, the golfers are preparing for the year ahead. Freshman Jarrod Dodgen hopes to improve on his scores for next year. The team feels that much has been learned, and they are expecting to learn much more next year.. Although Cory Smith and Nathan Johnson will be greatly missed next year, this new and rebuilding team will be looking to the younger members to pick up where they left off.



Coach Tony Perea from Monte Vista and Coach Barry Spence discuss coaching strategies while their players compete in the Butch Braswell tournament. Spence sure looks comfortable and quite shaded.



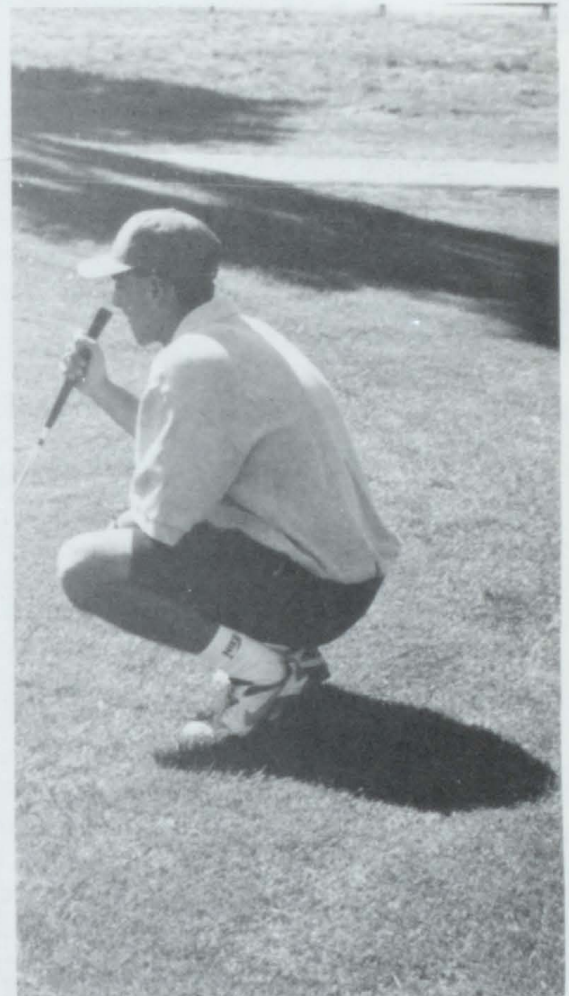
Top: Coach Spence, Tim Edmonds, Cory Smith, Nathan Johnson.
 2nd Row: Casey Holman, B.J. Cicerelli, Tim Kerrigan, Jarred Dodgen, Issac Rhodes.



Senior Cory Smith takes a practice swing before attempting that "Hole in One." Cory is often spotted at the Salida Golf Course and was in support of expanding the course to 18 holes.

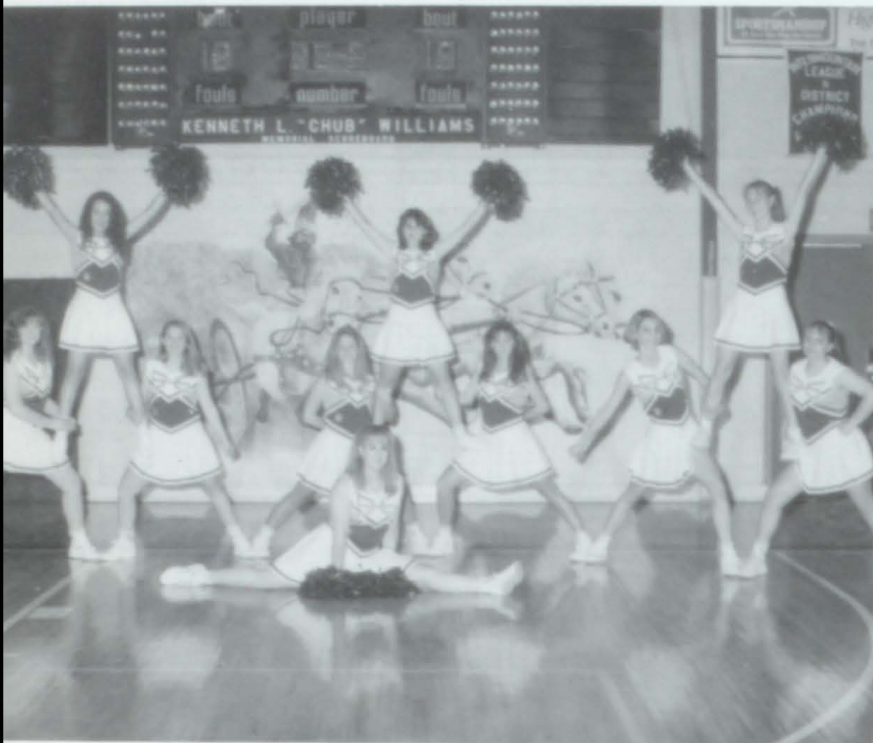
Score Box

Place	Team Total	Placement
Pueblo South Tourn.	373	12th
Alamosa-Cottonwoods	554	19th
Trinidad	347	2nd
Canon City	565	5th
La Junta	365	6th
Rye	348	8th
Liberty	352	15th
Butch Braswell Salida	251	-
Districts-Hollydot	267	13th
State Finals-Pueblo		-



Know all your options before making that final putt. Cory Smith lines it up and concentrates. No noise, please.

Top: Lacey Schwitzer, Angie Reno, Sara Davis. 2nd row: Leah Adkins, Jodi Quick, Ryan Johnson, Tricia Jones, April Matveia, Alysha Yarbrough. Bottom: Bradi Naccarato.



Doing away with traditional uniforms during Winterfest, Sara Davis, Ryan Johnson, and Leah Adkins shake a leg during their four-minute long dance routine.

Pep Assemblies Move

Cheerleaders

were faced with many trials and turbulations this year with all of the changes that Salida High School has been going through. For example, pep assemblies were taken out of the auditorium and now reside in Andreas Field House.

This change made the cheerleaders panic during the time that Homecoming and Winterfest came around because it was nearly impossible for them to decorate the fieldhouse. With a lot of help from the student body, the students were able to convince the administration to allow these two special activities to remain in John Held Auditorium. The auditorium is considered a fire hazard due to the extensive growing population of the school over the years. Winter captain, Tricia Jones, added, "Ragan was very willing to hear our options. He was very easy

-by Gustl Argys

to get along with. We had to make sacrifices, but it turned out well." Our school's cheerleading squads have worked very hard this year to help promote spirit and show

the various teams they were supported. Fall Captain Lezlie Faber quoted, "The fall squad tried very hard to add more events to the schedule this year to improve spirit. The best thing that we did was add new activities, and bring back old traditions, such as the crush cans, that have been lost throughout the years."

**"Ragan was very willing to hear our options."
T. Jones**



Junior Cassie Herrmann awaits patiently for the queen candidates during the Homecoming assembly with Spartan pride literally written all over her face.

Top: Lezlie Faber. 2nd Row: Kristen Curtis, Shanda Deleo. 3rd Row: Vanessa Schirmer, Gusti Argys, Mona Maestas. 3rd Row: Kristy Kalivoda, Mary Hillegas, Erin Rich, Cassie Herrmann.



By incorporating the Purple Crush Mascot, alias ex-cheerleader Damy Anderson, the fall cheerleaders are really able to rev-up the spectators.



The Fall Squad worked hard to put on a show to get the crowd "pumped up" for the games. Here Lezlie Faber, along with other cheerleaders, uses a mega phone to project her voice further.

During the Rob Mickel Wrestling tournament in Salida, the cheerleaders helped all day. Here Freshman Lacey Schwitzer gives a look of relief because the long day was almost over.



Tony Cicerelli charges La Junta to take it all the way.



Boys Struggle through Season

-by Heather Lucero

The 1996 Boys Basketball season came to an abrupt end at the District Tournament against Monte Vista on the weekend of February 23rd. A season of ups and downs, they ended with a record of 8 wins and 12 losses.

The Spartans started out on the right foot but just couldn't hold on to the winning streak. Captains Tony Cicerelli, Cory Smith, and David Rollins felt, "The first part of the season was good and that hopefully next year's team will have a good season all the way through."

**"The first part of the season was good."
Team Captains**

Half way through the season the Spartans lost starter David Rollins for four games due to an injury during practice. This along with animosity created between the juniors and seniors about who should start, and coaching complaints did not help in unifying the team. However David Rollins felt that, "Yeah we lost more, but it pulled the team together making them work harder. We were stronger towards the end." Depending on who you talk to on the team, some felt resentment, some felt relief it was over, some felt that there's always next year.

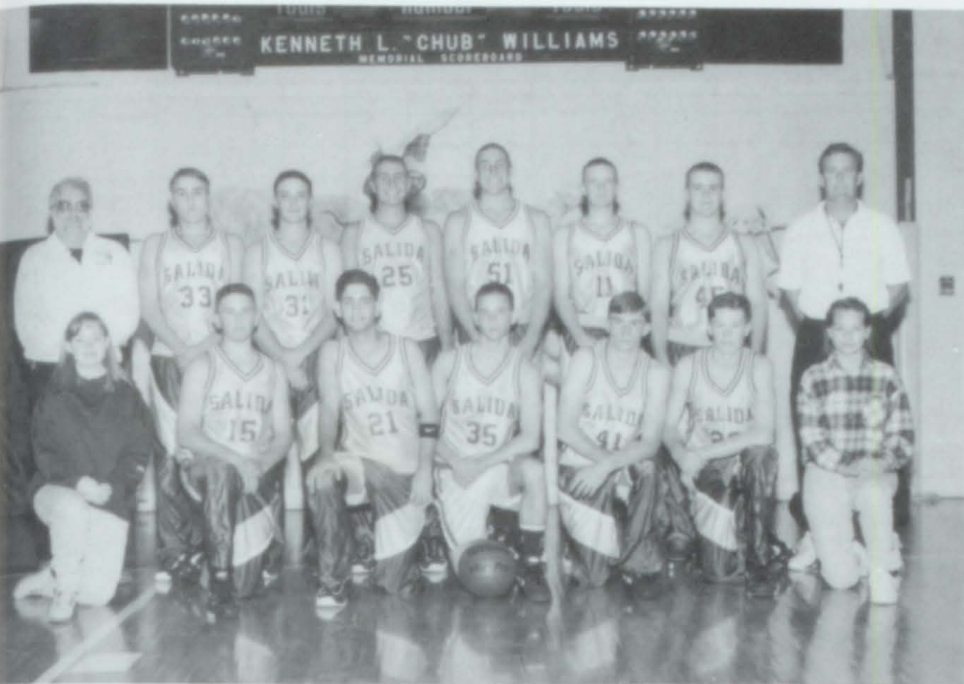


Ryan Williams flies high for two against Lake County in the first round of the Chaffee County Tournament.



Regan Rule put up everything to try to block the shot.

KENNETH L. "CHUB" WILLIAMS
MEMORIAL SCOREBOARD



Top row: Coach Thornton, CJ Lambert, Luke Sharpe, Tony Cicerelli, David Rollins, Jim Littrell, Bob Edmonds, Coach Spence
Second row: Eryn Boshinski, Regan Rule, Cory Smith, Jason Miller, Kyle Swartz, Ryan Williams, Brenna Miller

Score Box

8 Wins
12 Losses

Team	Date	Score	
		us	them
Chaffee Tourn.	Dec. 1	73	- 59
Chaffee Tourn.	Dec. 2	45	- 63
Rye	Dec. 5	45	- 56
Florence	Dec. 9	52	- 50
La Veta	Dec.14	86	- 76
La Junta	Dec.16	63	- 61
Pueblo Tourn.	Dec.20-22	3rd	
Monte Vista	Jan. 5	43	- 75
Monte Vista	Jan. 11	47	- 69
Lake County	Jan. 12	78	- 68
Cotopaxi	Jan. 18	54	- 67
B.V.	Jan. 20	38	- 50
Centauri	Jan. 26	59	- 67
Lake County	Feb. 2	79	- 58
Centauri	Feb. 9	51	- 89
Gunnison	Feb. 13	39	- 52
B.V.	Feb. 16	44	- 55
Dist. M.V.	Feb. 23	61	- 72



Bob Edmonds takes his time in getting the ball across to one of his team mates against the Lake County Panthers.



Cory Smith spots up to shoot a three pointer.

Coach Lundstrom's cut-off drill comes in handy for senior Rachel Donovan as she runs to get in front of #52 of the Gunnison Cowboys.



Learning to Cooperate

-by Katie Lusero

Looking to next year is the best they can do, some say. This year's girls basketball season was really tough on the girls. "Throughout the season it was a roller coaster ride. We would go to practice and wonder what kind of mood everyone would be in," according to senior Nicole Will.

The girls may not have had a lot of team work this year, unlike last year, but all twelve varsity players and even some of the junior varsity players have learned a valuable lesson in life. Senior Rachel Donovan replied, "You have to

**"You have to have struggles to learn to cooperate and be successful."
Rachel Donovan**

have struggles to learn to cooperate with others and to be successful in life."

Many wanted to help, but all knew that the girls were the only ones who could make it work. Manager Heather Kingston added, "The season was tough because I wanted to

see everyone getting along." When they did play as a team it was obvious. According to sophomore Colleen Hemmert, "You could definitely tell when we did play as a team, like our game against Durango, a 4A school and we only lost by 3 points." Teamwork does have a lot to do with the success of a team. Perhaps next year.



Junior Alicia Bond pulls up to shoot a 15 footer against Florence. She was consistent in this shot throughout the season.



Senior Erin Schmidt stands strong and refuses to let #41 of the Gunnison Cowboys by without a struggle. Seniors Stephani Tafoya and Robyn Clark assist with defense.



Top Row: Dave Horton, Katie Lusero, Bridget Dusza, Colleen Hemert, Cathi Toler, Desirae Warren, Alicia Bond, Margot Plotz, Coach Lundstrom. 2nd Row: Krystal Philipps, Rachel Donovan, Erin Schmidt, Stephani Tafoya, Robyn Clark, Nicole Will, Mgr. Heather Kingston.



Junior Desirae Warren, confident she will make the shot, pulls up for a jumper over 2 Florence players.

5 Wins
15 Losses

Score Box

Team	Date	Score	
		US	Them
Gunnison	Dec. 1	48	- 41
B.V.	Dec. 2	45	- 50
Platte Canyon	Dec. 5	37	- 63
Rye	Dec. 8	35	- 44
Florence	Dec. 9	28	- 58
La Veta	Dec. 14	47	- 51
La Junta	Dec. 16	46	- 40
Falcon	Dec. 20	35	- 64
Monte Vista	Jan. 5	42	- 47
Durango	Jan. 6	38	- 41
Monte Vista	Jan. 11	49	- 43
Leadville	Jan. 12	39	- 37
Cotopaxi	Jan. 18	40	- 37
B.V.	Jan. 20	44	- 50
Centauri	Jan. 26	14	- 57
Lake County	Feb. 2	41	- 58
Centauri	Feb. 9	38	- 67
B.V.	Feb. 16	45	- 46
Gunnison	Feb. 23	43	- 47
Pagosa	Feb. 24	30	- 57

Senior Robyn Clark aims high over the La Junta Tigers.



During a daily practice session, Jr. Stefan Veltri and Sr. Nick Cordova match up to prepare for their next tournament.



Wrestling Season Under Construction

-by Lesley Reno & Alison Nelson

This wrestling season had its ups and downs, but overcame its obstacles with an excellent ending.

Six wrestlers, two of whom were freshmen, Adrian Jiron and Tony Cordova,

qualified for State.

Fourth place finisher at State, junior Alvin Jiron, felt that the beginning of the season went pretty well, but the middle wasn't too good due to wrestlers quitting. Alvin was pleased with the outcome of the season because six went to State.

Senior Zach Cordova, another State

qualifier, had the same feelings.

He stated that, "We did good considering the

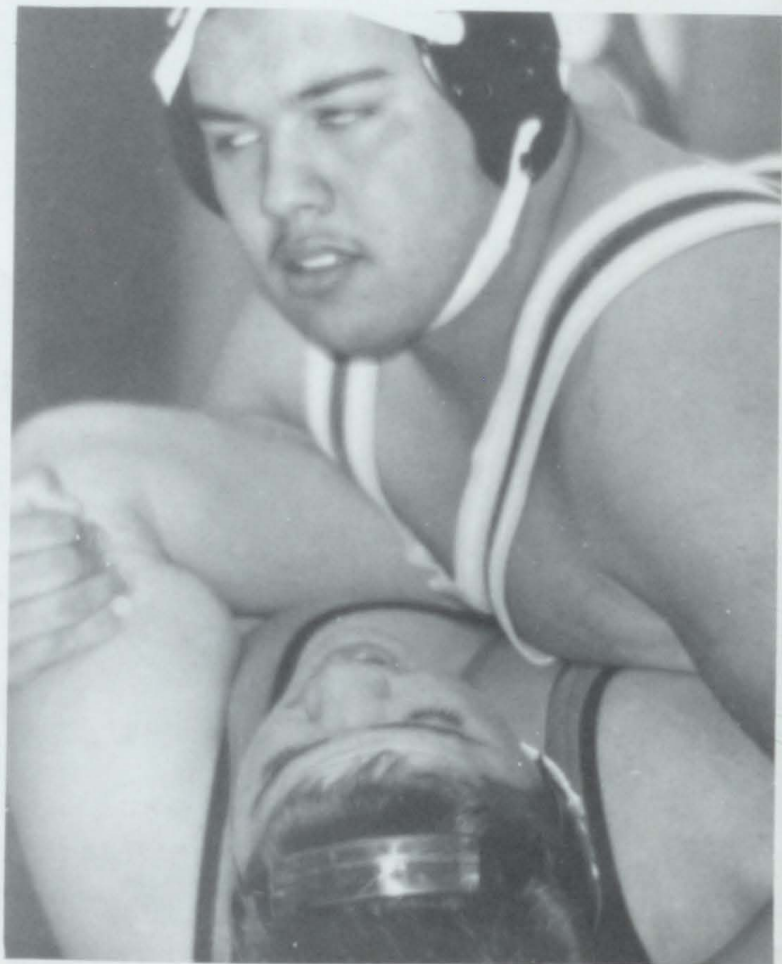
team didn't have any leadership because we didn't have any captains."

The coaches and the players

are anticipating next year with high expectations. Coach Bob Smith feels that, "With the right work and focus combined with their talent they could make a big impact next season." That's exactly what they all plan to do, except those, of course, who will graduate.

**"They could make a big impact next season."
Coach Smith**

Junior Alvin Jiron eyes his opponent, Ronnie Swartz, before making a move. Alvin took first at the Rob Mickel tournament and was awarded the Gene Couch Memorial Award.



Early in the season, Sr. Zach Cordova pins Chad Marques of Gunnison in only 21 seconds.



Top: Coach Glenn Frame, Mgr. Adam Martinez, Rob Overstreet, Chris Lake, Lars Thorgesen, Dustin Dague, Wilen Hopkins, Austin Chrestensen, Coach Bob Smith, Mgr. Corinne Stasco. 2nd Row: Tami McCarl, Kelly Rushton, Ian Grammatica, Nick Cordova, Stefan Veltri, Preston Broadfoot, Adrian Jiron. Bottom Row: Mike McFarland, Tony Cordova, Rocky Mazza, Joey Taverna, Brian Martinez, Keith Clark, Alvin Jiron, Luke Oversole.

Schedule

Place	Date
Steamboat Springs Dual	Dec. 1
Steamboat Springs Tour.	Dec. 2
CSC Gunnison Tri.	Dec. 7
Olathe Dual	Dec. 8
Olathe Tourn.	Dec. 9
Florence Quad	Dec. 14
Lake County Quad.	Dec. 15
John Mall Tourn.	Dec. 16
Fowler Dual	Jan. 5
La Junta Tourn.	Jan. 6
Rob Mickel Tourn.	Jan. 13
Gunnison Dual	Jan. 16
Buena Vista/Sher. Tri.	Jan. 18
Monte Vista Dual	Jan. 19
Lake County Tourn.	Jan. 27
League Tour. Monte Vista	Feb. 3
Regional Tournament-Sal	Feb. 9-10
State Tournament-Denver	Feb. 15-16 17



At the Regional Tournament held here in Salida, Sr. Wilen Hopkins forces his Demon rival's shoulder to the mat. Wilen was one of the six contenders that went to State.

Ben Merrell and Curtis Perry, our Buena Vista players, create good field space while passing around other players as they try to score a winning goal.



Sophomore Dan Hillegas makes an opening on the field by dribbling away from the defense. He and his teammates are looking for an opening to score.

Soccer Arrives and is Here to Stay

What a year!

-by Jason Palmer

After many attempts at getting soccer on the sports agenda-it finally happened in 1995. Many thought that for its first year, soccer would not be very successful, and ending up with a .500 season was a surprise to many. According to Coach Todd Bright, "One of our goals was to have a .500 season. I saw a lot of talent and desire to prove that soccer belonged at Salida. I knew our goal could be reached."

There were many players on the team that have

worked hard over the past few years to get soccer here. Sr. Kody Ryff said, "It was a long, hard trip getting soccer but as you can see, the results were there. Now the hope is that the future teams will continue to strive to be better and make soccer grow to what it is meant to be."

With eleven seniors leaving, it will be up to the underclassmen to carry on the mood and desire of a winning season. Soccer has made a name in Salida and, hopefully, will be here to stay.

**"It was a long, hard trip getting soccer."
Kody Ryff**



Exchange student Eduardo Pedrosa and Curtis Perry of Buena Vista start the game by kicking off the ball. As they look to find a teammate to pass to, they do well getting the ball to other players.



Top Row: Coach Bright, Josh Jones, Jared Best, Tony Cicerelli, David Rollins, Eric Rudolph, Kody Ryff, Lucas Adams, Scott Norton, Coach Salsbury. Middle Row: Josh Tischer, Heith Swedhin, Ethan Oswald, Ryan Cannon, Greg Holt, Blake Wilson, Ben Merrell, Tim Webb, Sean Purcell. Bottom Row: Dan Hillegas, Nick Boshinski, Erin Matevia, David Wilson, Curtis Perry.

Score Box

Team	Date	Score Us-Them
St. Mary's	Sept. 1	0-6
Summit	Sept. 9	0-6
Widefield	Sept. 12	0-6
Battle Mtn.	Sept. 16	2-3
Crested Butte	Sept. 19	3-2
Evangelicalstic	Sept. 21	6-0
Ignacio	Sept. 23	6-0
Fountain Valley	Sept. 25	2-1
Basalt	Sept. 30	3-2
Crested Butte	Oct. 5	4-2
Widefield	Oct. 6	0-4
Basalt	Oct. 7	3-1
Evangelicalstic	Oct. 10	3-0
Lewis-Palmer	Oct. 12	0-1
Overall:		7-7



Sr. Jason Palmer challenges an Ignacio opponent. Trying to strip the ball away from her, other teammates stand by ready for the pass.



Sr. Kevin Allen practices during a half-time J.V. game, in preparation for the Varsity game against Crested Butte.

With a look of determination, Sr. Crystal Stotler smashes a powerful serve across the net.



Warm clothing is a necessity on the frequent wintery days. Bundle up! Hannah Johnson does an exercise to improve her volleys.

The Best Season Ever!

—by Mandy Thomas

"This was the best season we've ever had!" boasted head tennis coach Ed Lambert. "The overall quality was great and the juniors and seniors brought a lot of experience to the team."

Despite the cold early in the season, and the time and weather-worn courts, the team had many successes. For the first time ever, the girls wore skirts, giving a more professional look to their play.

Winning half of their regular matches, the team went to Regionals in Pueblo with high hopes.

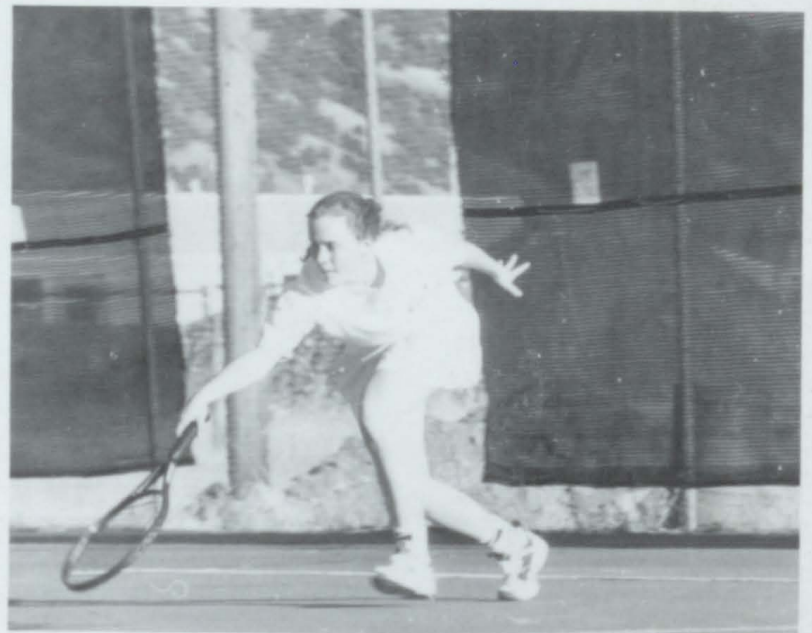
Number one singles player, Kate Sugaski, and the number three doubles team of Samantha Minnis and Melissa Dere each took fourth place.

The number two doubles team of Hannah Johnson and Sarah Underwood came close to going to State but ended up

with an impressive third place instead. The team placed fifth overall.

Seven players will be lost to graduation who will, according to Lambert, "be sorely missed." The team will be relying on its younger players to carry the load next year.

"This is the best season we've ever had!" E. Lambert



Still fighting for the point, Sr. Mandy Thomas digs down to keep the ball alive.

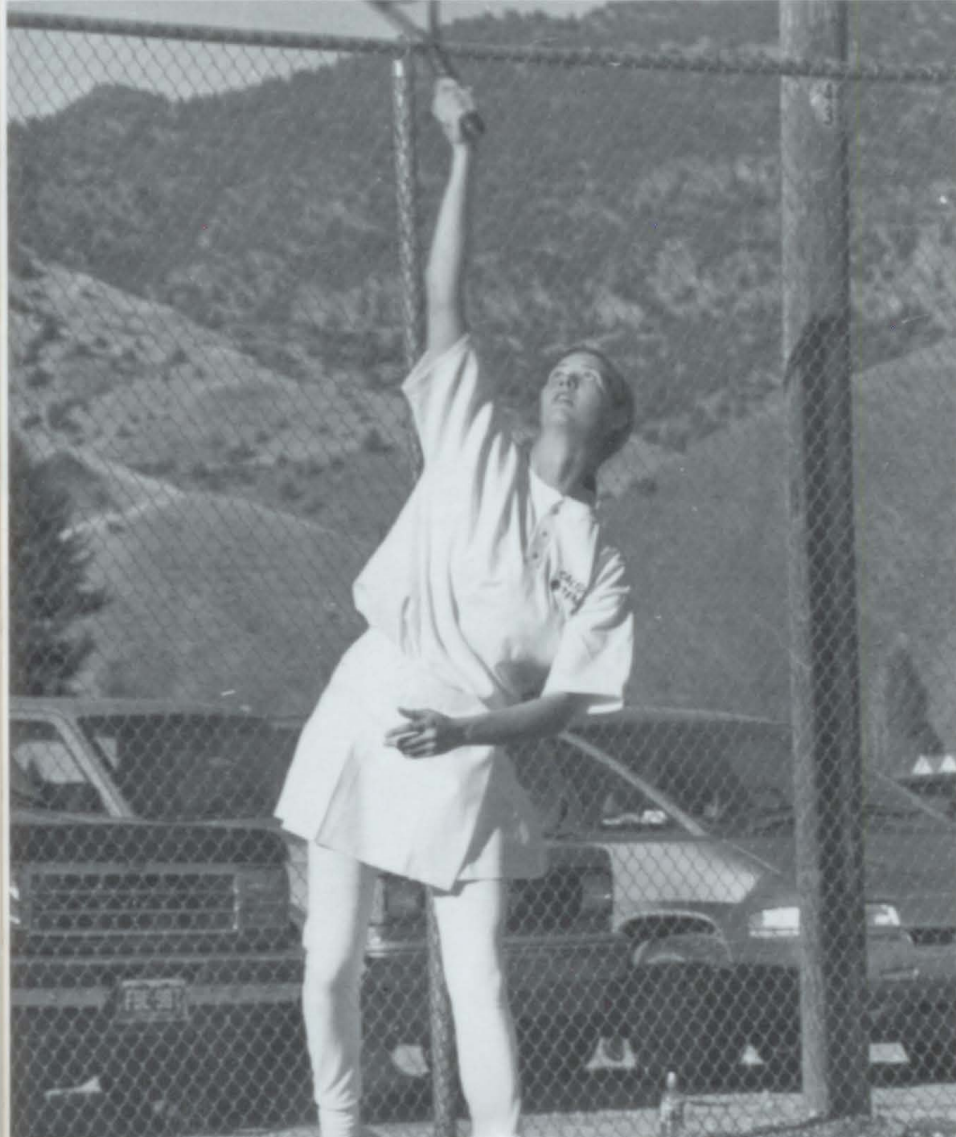
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Top: Cassie Herrmann, Dorothy Nay, Hannah Johnson, Kate Sugaski, Bonny Block, Staci Teter, Sarah Underwood, Samantha Minnis, April Matveia, Mandy Thomas, Laura Efird. 2nd: Alicia Yarborough, Mandy Nelson, Tracie Fear, Dotty Bernhardt, Brenda Kelso, Ryan Johnson, Crystal Stotler, Lezlie Faber, Melissa Dere. Bottom: Eryn Boshinski, Amy Bailey, Misty Stotler, Mona Maestas, Jodi Quick.

Score Box

Team (Home-Away)	Date	Score
St. Scholastica-A	Mar.15	7-0
Summit-H	Mar.19	2-5
Widefield-A	Mar.20	3-4
Steamboat-A	Apr.6	6-1
Glenwood-A	Apr.6	2-5
Pueblo-A	Apr.13	--
St. Scholastica-A	Apr.16	7-0
Summit-H	Apr.20	3-4
St. Scholastica-A	Apr.24	7-0
Regionals @	May 3-4	
Pueblo City Park		



Sr. Kate Sugaski reaches high on a serve against the #1 singles player from Summit. She finished the regular season with a 7-1 record.



Jr. Sarah Underwood practices her forehand groundstroke in preparation for Regionals. She and her partner, Hannah Johnson, lost in a close match to take 3rd place.

Sophomore Erik Smith builds up his momentum for a great throw of 39'9" at the Freshman-Sophomore Salida Meet. He places 1st with this shotput throw.



Watch Out for Breaking Records!

-by Mindy Margos

The boys track team made 1996 a year to remember. They set personal records, and broke school and State times. With 11 boys making it to State, and 8 placing, it truly was a record year.

Most notable was junior Aaron Blondeau's

two State championships. He took first in the 1600 meter run beating the old State time by six seconds and he also took first in the 3200 meter run.

Jr. Kyle Swartz placed 2nd at State in the 100 and 200 meter dashes, setting personal records for him.

"I wanted to get back at (Lee)."

A. Blondeau

In the 3200 meter relay team of James DeCock, Jim Littrell, Ryan Butacan, and Bobby Block, a 2nd place State finish was achieved. The 800 meter relay team took 7th at State.

As a team, we placed 2nd behind Yuma with 52 points to their 62.

Lowe had nothing but praise for his runners. They all worked hard, and deserve lots of recognition.

Blondeau came back to a pep assembly the following Tuesday in recognition of his State championships. But they're all winners. After all, it took the team to place 2nd in the State.



Jim Littrell and James DeCock practice their hand-off for the 800 relay. They placed 7th at State in this event.



Aaron Blondeau has lots to smile about with 2 State titles under his belt.



Top: Coach Miller, Pat Guffy, Ron Oglesby, Aaron Blondeau, Sean Butterfield, Jim Littrell, James DeCock, Wilen Hopkins, Erik Smith, Bobby Block, Kyle Swartz, Erik Young, Coach Lowe, Coach Hansen. Bottom: Danny Stotler, Keith Clark, Marc Ross, Andrew Lutz, Ryan Butacan, Dan Hillegas, Albert Lionelle, James Stone, Sheth LaRue. Heather Kingston, Jill Martin-Mgrs.

Score Box

Place	Date	Placement
Fountain Relays	Mar. 16	4th
Liberty High	Mar. 23	7th
Ignacio	Apr. 5	--
Ft. Lupton	Apr. 6	3rd
Del Norte	Apr. 12	--
Falcon	Apr. 13	3rd
Salida	Apr. 15	--
Chaffee Co. Meet	Apr. 18	1st
Gunnison	Apr. 20	1st
Gunnison	Apr. 23	--
Manitou Spgs.	Apr. 27	2nd
Canon City	May 2-3	2nd
IML-Centauri	May 4	
Reg. Adams St.	May 10-11	1st
State-Denver	May 17-18	2nd



Jim Littrell and Wilen Hopkins do a warm up lap prior to practice for the State meet.



Ready, Set, GO! James DeCock, Ron Oglesby, and Bobby Block take off from the starting line at Coach Lowe's command.

"I didn't make it to the pit. I was just in it for fun," were the remarks of freshman Heather Potts at IML competition in the triple jump at Centauri.



Small but Powerful

—by Darcy Curtis

This year, the spikes were unpacked, the stop watches were brought out, and a small but powerful girls team took to the track. Quality not quantity certainly describes this team. Eight out of the eleven members made it to State.

Competition was nothing short of tough in Denver. Junior Dannie Christensen gave the Lady Spartans their only State points with a high jump of 5'2". Although last year she took a fourth place finish with a shorter jump, this year found many strong jumpers and she placed sixth.

Other team members who did well at Regionals, also found the State competition harder. Freshman Kylie Holmes received an impressive seventh place finish in the 400 yd. dash.

Other State participants were Nicole Will, Erin Schmidt, Heather Westbrook, Tami Unruh, and Heather

Adams.

With only two girls graduating, the team can expect to be in even stronger contention next year. Coach Frame thought the girls did well, considering the amount of sickness experienced throughout the season.

"When you take 8 out of 11 to State, that's a good job."
Coach Frame

During IML competition, freshman Kimmy England places 7th in the mile run. "It was an average time for me. IML wasn't as tough as I thought it would be."



Junior Dannie Christensen practices her high jump for State competition. She placed 6th with a height of 5'2". "It's the highest I've ever jumped but I thought I would get a better place."



Top: Coach Frame, Kristin Kotowski, Melissa Zielinko, Nicole Zielinko, Erin Schmidt, Bridget Dusza, Tami Unruh, Dannie Christensen, Coach Stenzel. Bottom: Nicole Will, Kimmy England, Heather Adams, Heather Potts, Megan Eggert, Kylie Holmes, Heather Westbrook.

Score Box

Place	Date	Placement
Lake County	Mar.14	--
Fountain Relays	Mar.16	6th
Liberty H.S.	Mar.23	--
Ignacio	Apr. 5	2nd
Falcon	Apr.13	8th
Salida	Apr.15	--
Chaffee Co.	Apr.18	2nd
Gunnison	Apr.20	--
Gunnison -Fr.Sop.	Apr.23	3rd
Manitou Spgs.	Apr.27	10th
Canon City	May 2/3	--
IML-Centauri	May 4	4th
Reg. Adams St.	May 11	4th
State-Denver	May 17/18	--



At districts, senior Erin Schmidt places 3rd with this discus throw of 92'. "It is a personal record but I wish I could've done better."



Senior Nicole Will practices her leaps over the hurdles in preparation for IML. Girls Track * 121

Sr. Tom Truitt concentrates on blowing the ball past a Pagosa hitter.



Sr. 3rd baseman Austin Chresetensen gets ready for the pitch from B.V.

Baseball Rebuilds

-Adam Christensen & BJ Cicerelli

For being such a young team, the Spartan baseball season went through rebuilding and ended with a 16-6 record. Coach Lundstrom felt, "For a rebuilding year, it went well." This seems to be the overall consensus of the team as well.

Junior Paul John Keserich commented that, "Although we had a young team, we were still successful and had fun throughout the year. I was disappointed on how the end of the year went, but we will be back next year."

The year started with a win and a loss at

the Chaffee County Tournament and continued throughout with various ups and downs. Although we lost the IML championship to Monte Vista, we went on to take the IML tournament which placed us first in our district.

"It went pretty well for as young as we were."
S. Guccione

Regionals at Runyon Field in Pueblo pitted us against the Eaton Fighten Reds in a rematch of last year's 3A State championship game. Even though we lost the game 3-11, we held the Reds until the top of the sixth inning.

Not bad for a young team. Sr. Stephen Guccione thought, "It went pretty well for as young as we were."



"The Bench Posse." Huddling and staying warm during the B.V game are Mike Marzolf, B.J. Cicerelli, Tom Truitt, and Adam Christensen.



Top: Coach Douza, Coach Guccione, John-Paul Keserich, Tom Truitt, Austin Chrestensen, Justin Veltri, Cory Smith, Mike Gentile, Coach Hayes, Coach Lundstrom. Bottom: Heather Georgi-Mgr., Dana Olaf, Steven Guccione, Stefan Veltri, Pat Walker, Aaron DeLuca, Mike Marzolf, Shauna Gorman-Mgr.

Score Box

Team-H/A	Date	Score
Rocky Ford-H	Mar.12	14-15
Chaffee Tourn.	Mar.22	12-2
Del Norte/Gunn.	Mar.23	12-11
Centauri-A	Mar.30	15-0
		23-8
Buena Vista-H	Apr.3	15-2
Ignacio-H	Apr.5	9-7
		22-2
Gunnison-A	Apr.11	20-15
Pagosa-H	Apr.13	11-0
(re-scheduled)		6-1
Buena Vista-A	Apr.16	5-3
Bayfield-A	Apr.20	4-5
		9-1
Monte Vista-H	Apr.27	4-8
		5-10
Dist. Bayfield(MV)	May3-4	8-6
Regionals-Eaton	May 11	3-11



Junior John-Paul Keserich waits for the right pitch from Ignacio.



Stephen Guccione takes a trot around the bases after his 3-run homer at Districts. **Baseball * 123**

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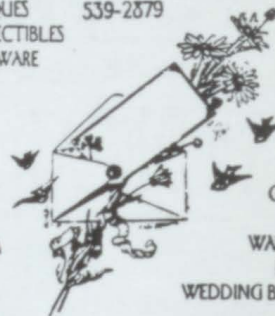
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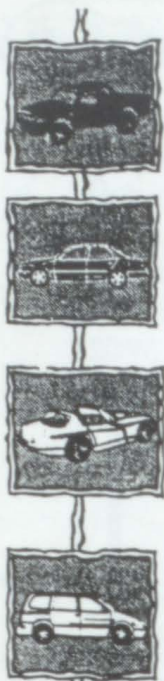
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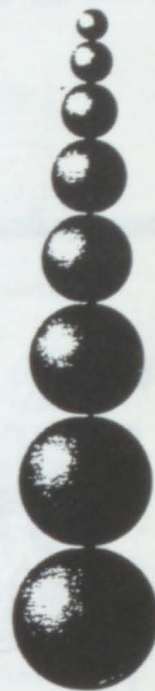
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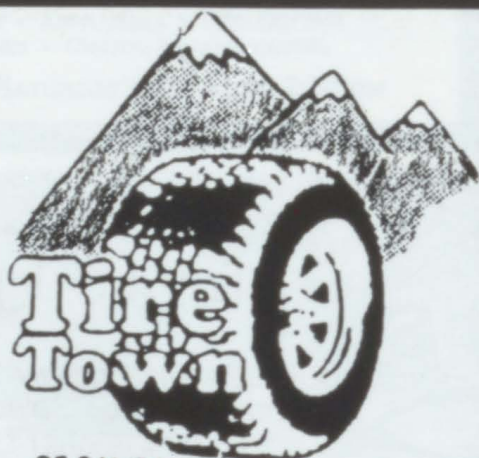
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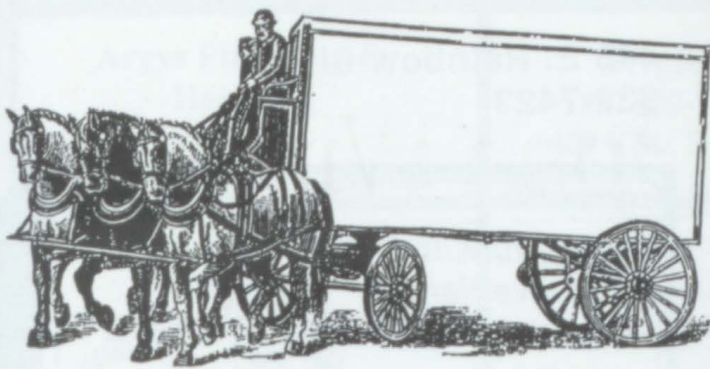
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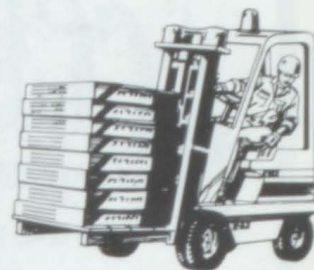
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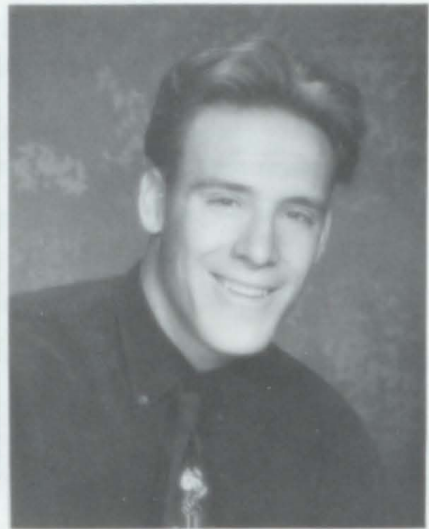
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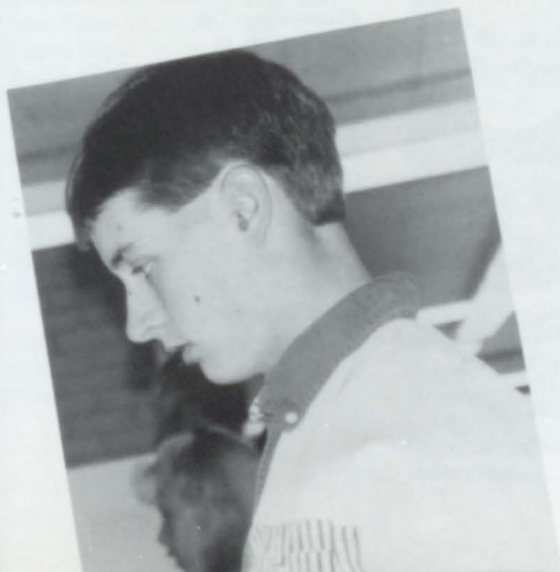
Krystal Phillips probably wishes she didn't have a bottom locker.



"I finally got it open!" Mary Hillegas only has a few more months of dealing with that locker.



Nick Boshinski tries to take Stephani Tafoya's coke from Panda's.



"What is that?" We can only guess what Doug Defelice sees.

Staci Teter shares her cookies Heather Kingston, Jill Martir Bobbi Rich.



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Freshmen Girls Basketball

Top Row: Coach Swenson, Ryan Chelf, Heather Adams, Heather Potts, Cathi Rich, Megan Eggert, Rochelle Stenzel, Kylie Holmes. Bottom Row: Melanie Cordova, Barbara Gerlach, Audry Scanga, Lyndsey Muma, Summer Pine, Lesley Reno, Anicka Dvorak, Arame Cantrell



Girls JV Basketball

Top Row: Coach Horton, Sharen Fortune, Christen Snyder, Tanya Cox, Cara Krajicek, Crystal Dennison, Kristy Kalivoda, Jaimee Eggleston Bottom Row: Kristy Palmer, Sylvia Morawa, Cari Friend, Candi Thompson.

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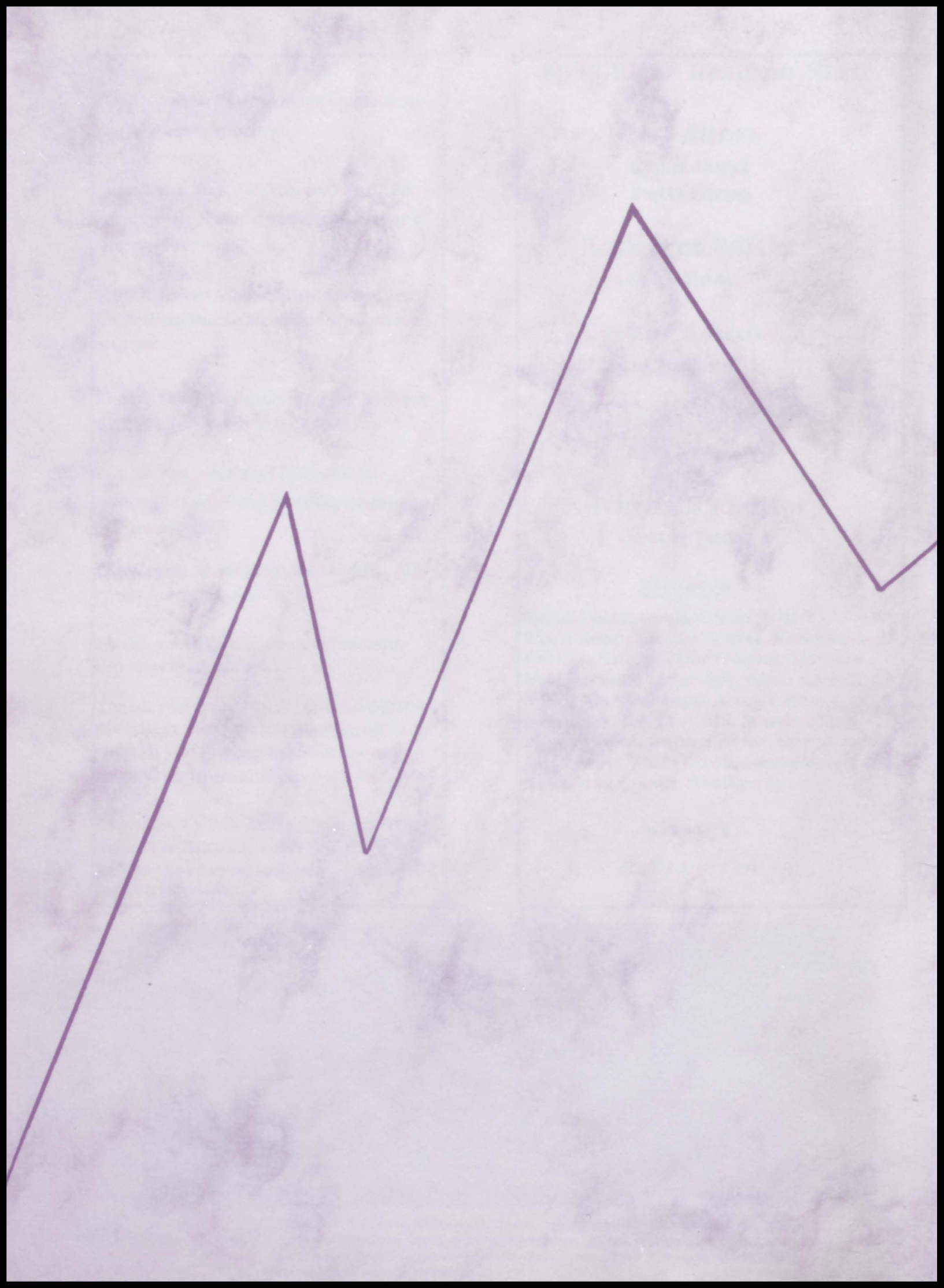
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