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FOCUS ON THE UNSEEN

The American, Virginian, and Christian flags wave lazily over the snow-covered campus of Roanoke Valley Christian Schools.

The first snow of the year resulted in two days out of school during which students built snowmen, went sleigh-riding, visited friends and consumed large quantities of hot chocolate.



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On magnificent days like this, one cannot help but bask in the “glory” of how God has helped to establish Roanoke Valley Christian Schools.

Aubrey Page diligently works on a snowman as fellow classmates run around. Mrs. Somers’ third grade class took a break from the norm to enjoy the beautiful snow that God provided for the week.



Lucas Jones, Jamie Cook, Josh Foster, Adam Baber (upside down), Chris Lawry, Donald Coons and Kristin Kidd, pose for the camera. These eighth graders love to hang around, even if it is in a tree.

Mrs. Palmieri’s first graders know how to have fun. Candice Dilcher, Amber Hasson, Sarah Crizer and Maria King hold hands as they show what it means to be friends.



FOCUS ON THE UNSEEN

Did you take a bath here? Mr. and Mrs. Suhr enjoyed hiking with this group of teenagers. A trip to New Hampshire was not only relaxing but also an educational experience.



"So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but on what is unseen..."

Throughout their stay at Roanoke Valley Christian Schools, students will be taught the true meaning of this verse. At first they will learn to focus on the temporary portion of the unseen by developing long-lasting friendships, discovering how to read and write and to interact socially as well as academically. Although these skills are valuable for the building of their future, II Corinthians 4:16-18 talks about a very different and more beautiful future. It is a future that lasts eternally. This is the future that students have been taught and encouraged to partake in during their stay at RVCS.

The faculty trains young people in Christianity and brings into perspective the most important decision they can ever make, a decision that tends to be taken for granted, but one that possesses eternal significance. Through the working of the Holy Spirit, this school has been able to take away the blinds of that which is transient and Focus on the Unseen...

"... for what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal."

II Corinthians 4:18

FOCUS ON INVOLVEMENT

On November 18, 1952, the population of Goodview, VA increased by one when Donna Marie Hurt emerged. Spending her summers at Smith Mountain Lake, she began water-skiing, riding the top of three-man pyramids. In the spring of her senior year in high school, she was invited by a friend to a revival service at her friend's church. There she was introduced to a guy named Donald. She attended the services for the rest of the week, and in 1974, after graduating from Longwood College with a B.S. in Biology, she and Donald were married.

Her education complete, Mrs. Updike began teaching, spending two years in public schools before transferring to Longwood Avenue Christian School in Bedford, VA, where she taught grades two through twelve. In the summer of 1977, she had her only child, April. After three years at LACS, Mrs. Updike came to RVCS, where she first taught sixth grade, then began teaching life science, earth science, and biology.

Throughout her 15 years here, Mrs. Updike has added much to the RVCS ministry. One of her most notable accomplishments is the implementation of the annual Science Fair. All of the planning and organization are due to her hard work and dedication to the advancement of the science program.

Besides her many school-related ministries, Mrs. Updike is very active at her church, Chamblissburg Baptist, where she serves as organist, a Sunday School teacher, and a youth leader. Mrs. Updike is very active in all she does and strives for excellence in everything. As she molds the futures of her students into the image of Christ, she truly is...Focusing on the Unseen.



Three year old Donna smiles with her stuffed animal. Could there be a connection between her stuffed animal and the many critters which inhabit the closet of the Life Science Lab?



In 1991, Mrs. Updike traveled to the International Science and Engineering Fair in Orlando, Florida with representatives from the western Virginia area. In a break from the competition she visited Disney World where she made some rather large friends.

Always the expert scientist, young Donna (far left) proudly displays her science project. It is no wonder that one of Mrs. Updike's passions is the Science Fair.



Mrs. Updike enjoys vacationing with her family in Nag's Head, N.C. While there, they do many things such as walking along a deserted beach, as pictured here.

Diploma in hand, the soon-to-be Mrs. Updike poses with her fiance following her graduation from Longwood College. Less than three months later, on August 10, 1974, they were married.

Probably the best part of school life is the time spent with those we treasure the most. Those irreplaceable, lovable, and caring crutches that we all could not do without...our friends.

You can walk into any classroom almost anytime and hear students talking about their plans for the weekend. Whether it be Express games, Macado's, the coffee shop, or any other place in downtown Roanoke, something is always happening with RVCS students after the 3:10 bell sounds.

There are also special excursions that some of the students partake in such as hiking, camping, or other weekend trips. These are the activities that build such strong friendships, and make those special memories that last a lifetime.

RVCS is more than just about academics and athletics. It is about what goes on outside of the classroom and athletic fields. One will find this type of excitement and exuberance when he removes the overlying curtain and reveals what goes on . . .

Behind the "Seens"





Spacious New Hampshire mountains surround the hikers from Virginia. Behind this scene you'll find God's Creation in full view.

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When the final bell rings
mer there is plenty of excite-
are busily planning what they are going to do over the summer. Some people lose contact
with each other and others spend all their spare time together.

Over the summer students do a variety of things. Many people have memberships
at local pools and go there daily. Others prefer to spend the day at a lake, skiing and
laying
out. Some just enjoy laying around the house knowing they don't have to do anything

the summer provides students the opportunity to relax and unwind

or go anywhere. Others are preparing themselves for family vacations.

One highlight of the summer for Joel Nester, Mark Arbogast, Josh Hurt and John
Hayden was a missions trip to Portsmouth. They went with First Baptist Church and
started a Vacation Bible School there. They developed close relationships and found

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Simon Foster falls asleep with teddy
bear in hand as he travels to Florida.
The Shenandoah youth group traveled to
Florida for some workshops on teen
missions.



Joe Surkamer, Richard Booth, Ben
Thomas, and Paul Ferris are reunited
with old friends at Young Life camp. A
lot of close and unforgettable friendships
were made that week.





Mr. Suhr's group pauses for a picture at the Tuckerman Ravine Trail sign. Mr. Suhr takes a group of people to New Hampshire every summer for a week of fun and hiking.

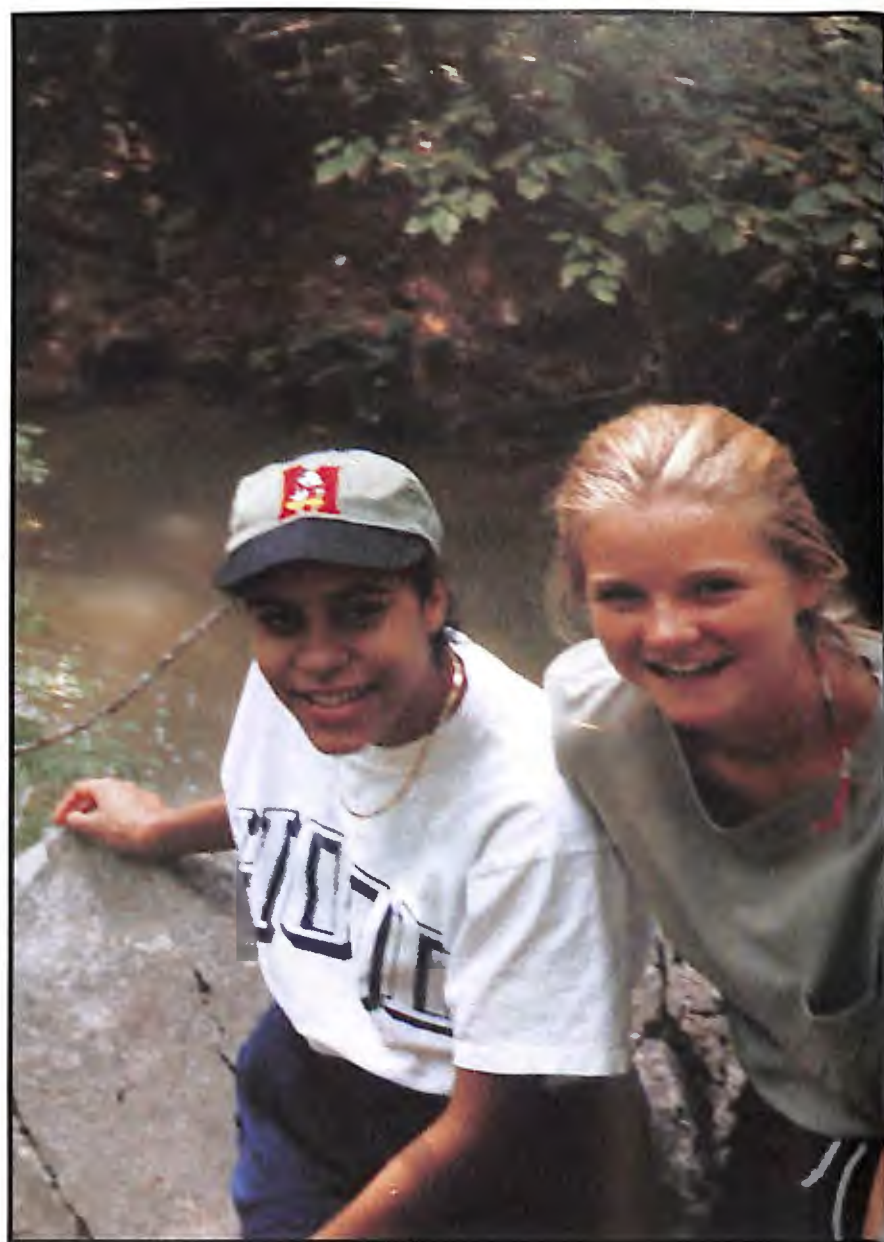
Stephen Davidson has fun on the boat as he knee boards for the first time. Many students enjoy spending time at the lake during the hot summer months.



Justin Hurt, Josh Hurt, and John Hurt and Hampton Pasley are just waking up from a restless night of sleep. These members of the cross country team seized a weekend during "Indian summer" to enjoy the last few warm days of the year.

Robin Journell and Trimble Bailey get away from the commotion as they sit on a big rock to catch up on the events of the summer. The senior retreat was designed to draw classmates together throughout their senior year before they leave to prepare for their careers.

Paul Ferris, Rykey Rumbley, Joe Surkamer and Robbie Camper hug after Mr. Colston called for a group of five. If you look closely under Robbie's chin, April Updike is just barely peeking through as the fifth member.



Mr. Colston and Jeremy Laughon relax on the inner tubes while watching a game of volleyball. They reclined there for the sole purpose of saving the volleyball from plunging into the doughnut hole.





The senior class arrived at morning, but their spirits were atmosphere was full of excitement began their day with a vigorous of hands and bodies was splattered on everyone as they worked up an appetite for lunch.

Just

muddy Camp Eagle Thursday far from being dampened. The ment and expectation as they ous game of "Fresh." Dodge-difficult but fun as mud splat-

Many were looking forward to a relaxing but freezing dip in the swimming hole, and some were even daring enough to go creeking so that they might see the falls. The trouble was there were more bodies "falling" and the adventurers were unable to make it to the end; not to worry though, their trek was made complete the next day. Jumping on the trampoline, riding bikes (those two who brought theirs), canoeing, and paddle

the senior class arrived at muddy Camp Eagle

"bumping" were among the many things the senior class did together. Let us not forget the high ropes course. "If you fall off, don't worry. The harness will hold you." It is a good thing, since Joe decided to take a little three foot leap off of the rope he was walking on, breaking a branch and disabling the course for the remainder of the weekend.

morning, but their spirits were not dampened

The evening proved to be an uplifting experience for all. The introduction of a game called "Mingle", brought many people together you would not expect. The organized chaos among classmates settled into a focus on spiritual concerns and needs. Uncovering many struggles and internal pain, hearts softened which had been hardened for so long. Mixed feelings between classmates were mended, and the seniors gained a better understanding of each other and their emotional struggles. It was there, in the Camp Eagle pavilion, that the senior class began a renewal; not for their minds, but for their hearts.

Relax

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Ally Shackleford shows no fear as she effortlessly walks along the rope and smiles for the camera. The high ropes course was enjoyed by all of the seniors...that is, the ones who got to go before Joe Surkamer.

Debra Stanley waves at the camera from the bunkhouse. She remains happy despite the fact that the water supply was cut off.

Bob Barton presents awards to Michael McGuire, Nathanael Simmons, Mark DeLong, and Joe Collins. They won the entire competition during Spiritual Emphasis Week.



Mrs. Park and Mrs. Updike show their gladiator strength as they fight to win the tug-of-war. The teachers competed against RVCS students to encourage participation in the week's events.

Mr. Hollins and pastor Ray converse as Debra Stanley and Amy Helton and watch the events. Gladiator activities were held at night to attract students from other schools.





Rhonda Wright hangs precariously on the rope. Her teammates cheer her on as they forge toward a victory.



Pastor Ray looks over Benjy Kitts' shoulder while in Art class. He interacted with students in classes during the day.



Spiritual Emphasis Week Randy Ray. He is the pastor of Talahassee, Florida. Along with Christian school with about eight travels extensively conducting conferences in high schools and colleges.

On Wednesday and Thursday of the conference, in the evening, Bob Barton assembled the Roanoke Valley Gladiators. Students and faculty participated in

obstacle course competitions in the gym, such as Tug-O-War and Dodge Ball. The teams tried to earn points and the team with the highest points earned medals. After the games Pastor Ray presented a challenge and gave an invitation.

Spiritual Emphasis Week was a definite revival for the student body. Pastor Ray spoke to all and brought up some very challenging subjects about everyday

happenings. Many people were convicted during these few days and made some important spiritual decisions. He showed the student body they need to be examples to others. He explained that friendships are very important, even if one does not think so, every person can make a great impact on their unsaved friends' lives. This is why one's Christian example is ex-

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was conducted by Pastor Temple Baptist Church in Tallahassee. The church there is also a Christian school with about eight hundred students. Pastor Ray

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The cold winter wind does not freeze the spirits of Miss Toms' first graders as they prepare to go home and enjoy their time to play.



Sam Thomas occupies his afternoon playing and practicing on his Gibson Les Paul. Many students use their extra time to play instruments.



What could one possibly find things to occupy their time completing preparing for their future. The seniors used a party held by Mr. Grooten as a time to unwind. Many students work and earn spending money for their numerous activities. Their places of employment vary from grocery stores and fast-food restaurants to department stores. Others involve themselves in church activities such as youth group

Free

do? Students do not have trouble time. Many commit a large portion of their scholarship applications and

meetings, Bible studies, and mission outreaches. To unwind, the majority of students can be seen spending their time downtown, or eating out with friends at places like Mac & Bob's, Ragazzi's, and Spinnaker's. Elementary, middle, and high school students

alike find that while relaxing, free time can sometimes be filled with practicing musical instruments such as the guitar, piano, or many others, refining their talents. Some students utilize sports to help them relieve tension. Everyone has their own way to enjoy their time away from school. the students with an oppor- and grow in their relation-

Time

All of these activities provide tunity to discover new talents ships with friends.





Mark Arbogast, Sandy Carroll, Josh Hurt, Tom Anglin, Jay Richardson, J.R. Clarke and Simon Foster spent their Friday after exams at the Roanoke Regional Airport. These friends, along with family members, gathered to wave farewell to Jay, who was returning to Kenya after spending one semester at RVCS.



Jennifer Atkins, Melisa King, Carie King, Holly Williams, Bob Barton and his son Billy take a moment to rest after completing their task of raking leaves. The SBC youth group did odd jobs for elderly couples as an outreach.

Jennifer Angove, Elizabeth Clark and Lori Jane Turner catch the dappled rays while on a church outing. Participation in youth activities give students the opportunity to enjoy "adolescent exuberance."

Sometimes when you go same routine, but then a long and wakes you up. It out of the ordinary, like ing because of a bad odor, preparing for a Christmas program, or a special holiday dinner. No matter what it is, you can be sure there will be surprises in it.

School

to school you get into the something exciting comes is usually something that is having to evacuate a build-

In late December, the middle school students were forced to evacuate the annex. A peculiar smell permeated the classrooms and rendered students unable to concentrate on

by 3:10, students are ready and willing to escape from

their schoolwork. They finished out the day by having classes in the auditorium.

The elementary classes presented a play this Christmas called *Something's Up, Down in Bethlehem*. It was about a shepherd named Reuben who was reflecting on his life. He described what it was like being one of the shepherds where Christ was born.

the presssures of school for a little rest and relaxation

The middle school and high school celebrated Christmas in a special way. The middle school went to Hilltop Lanes for an afternoon party with bowling, food and friends. This day was a refreshing break from the normal school day. As with every year, the high school sponsors hosted a luncheon for secondary students and faculty. This hour- long break provided an opportunity for exchanging gifts and receiving candy canes from the Student Sen-

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Daze

ate candy cane sale. a wide variety of others con- many students find them- school year.



David Yates carefully forms a pot for his mother on the potter's wheel. Art class is an enjoyable time for everyone.



Angie Guthrie, Amy Helton, Jonathan Doran, and Eric Johnson are filling their plates up fast with the great food that was prepared for the high school Christmas luncheon. The hour- long lunch allowed students time to talk and relax.





Ryan Flack, Josh Stovall, Ben Motley and Evan Sadler enjoy playing in the snow and making snowmen. The third graders were allowed to take a little time out from school to just have fun.



Middle school is always full of Menergy, especially for these eighth graders. Adam Baber watches Jamie Cook as she holds on for dear life while Kristen Kidd makes sure she does not fall. Lucas Jones and Josh Foster aid in keeping Donald Coons in the tree.



Robin Journell and Ben Thomas, R exhausted from school, take time to have a little nap. When "senior-itis" takes over, all else "fails."

Shannon Stamper, Susie Weiser and Rebecca Hart are all smiles on Little Kid Day. This was the day the middle schoolers enjoyed most.

Rebecca Foley and Beth Harrison are "big, big chocolate." These girls loved dressing up for twin and triplet day.



Sandy Carroll, Mark Arbogast and Amy Baber are proud of their attire on Bum Day. By earning points through dressing up each day, along with points from their room and poster, the juniors were able to win Spirit Week.





The middle schoolers' mum by allowing the students. The days varied from kid" and of course "spirit" ended their week of fun with Osborne winning the competition. These students anticipate participating in high school Spirit Week in the future.

The high school classes had many things to do in preparation for the week. Classes designed and drew posters that matched the school's theme, "Living by the Spirit." Each class decorated their own room which showed how unique and creative these

spirit week 1995: a week of spontaneity, fun, and

students could be. Hard work and many hours were put into each room and the teachers commended students on their diligence, hoping they would put as much effort in their academics throughout the week. The students also dressed up each day to show their school spirit. It was obvious some had more than others.

The freshman class was "electrified" for coming in second place. The sophomore class spirit was not "extinguished" when they placed third. The junior class was

a chance to catch up on high school basketball

"hoppin'" for placing first, a title which they will fight to regain in 1996. First place entitled them to a day off, which they spent at Smith Mountain Lake. The senior class, dampened by the turn of events, were eliminated from spirit week competition, but still showed spirit by supporting latives. Through it all, every they can improve Spirit Week

Set

spirit week was kept to a mini-dents to dress up on appointed "twin and triplet" to "little day. The middle schoolers a spelling bee with Whitney

Aside

their top choices for super-class gained insight into how in years to come.



Chad Booth and Molly Perkinson are properly paired as a couple from the seventies on Decade Day. The seventies were represented the most on this day from army attire to the 100% polyester butterfly collar suit.

Dave Turpin and Mark Searce perform a cheer as Nia Douglas and Sam Thomas watch and laugh from behind. During Friday's pep rally, each class was asked to perform a cheer and stunt. This brought lots of laughter from the crowd.

The 1995 Superlatives: (left to right) Lori Jane Turner, Allen Armstrong, Angela Stover, Joe Surkamer, Cindy Jones, Jamie Hurt, Jennifer Angove, Scott Whitley, Alisha Clarke and Nathan Blankenship



The junior class selected Jennifer Angove and Scott Whitley as their superlatives. Among their many other activities this year, Jennifer was a student band director and Scott led the New Creation Bible study.

Lori Jane Turner and Allen Armstrong smile following the superlative ceremony. The sophomore class selected them based on their Christian testimony.





The senior class chose Joe Surkamer, Angela Stover, Cindy Jones and Jamie Hurt as their representatives. During a special chapel service, these four outstanding young people shared their testimonies with the student body.



Alisha Clarke and Nathan Blankenship show their excitement following the ceremony. As the freshmen superlatives, they were the first to be chosen from their class to be of superlative character.



Each year the Superlight of Spirit Week as peers, are honored for tian lifestyle and character week full of fun and enjoyment, and is an exciting time for everyone present. This year was no different in the emotion. There was, however, a slightly different format in the ceremony. Superlatives walked to center court where a spotlight was focused on them. Mr. Foley read a list of their accomplishments and involvements - academic, athletic,

Stand

lative ceremony is a high-students, selected by their their distinctively Christ-ter. It marks the end of a

and spiritual in nature. They were then presented with roses. The superlatives, in turn, gave these to their mothers as their parents were recognized for the important roles they played in shaping the lives of these exemplary young people.

High school students selected representatives from their classes based on character, testimony for Christ, and lifestyle. In a special chapel service during the week, the four

senior superlatives shared their testimonies. Students then voted on the guy and girl that they felt best represented the characteristics which the school strives to instill in its students. These two students became the school superlatives. Until the ceremony, no one knew who had been dents and superlatives alike the results. This year the stu-superlatives were Cindy Jones

Out

selected for this honor. Stuwaited nervously to find out dents selected to be the school and Jamie Hurt.

Sophomores Jason Taylor, Katie Splemmons, Jennifer Wise, Mary Peterson, and Katie Futrell share a laugh in the Air & Space Museum. To stay on track, they completed worksheets on the things they viewed.



Tim Warren is ready to ride with his new police helmet. Third grade students had an in-school field trip during which they learned about safety from a police officer.



The routine of school work can be departing from the norm through students to broaden the scope of education.

Putting this idea into practice, the fifth graders traveled to Lexington, where they toured Stonewall Jackson's house, the Lee Chapel, and VMI. The students enjoyed touring these buildings but particularly liked stopping at the Sweet Things Ice Cream Shoppe.

Broad

sometimes become redundant. taking field trips allows education beyond the classroom.

The eighth grade learned many things about history on their field trip to Richmond. There they saw the court house, the capitol building, and the Science Museum. The learning experience was fun, but the students insisted that the bus trip was by far the highlight.

The most anticipated trip at RVCS was, perhaps, the sophomore trip to Washington, D.C. This trip was different from any other field trip because the students stayed overnight. The first day, students toured some of the Smithsonian's museums. When the group arrived back

at the hotel, the fun was far from over, as laughter and prank phone calls continued into the night. The next day at the zoo, students were surprised to receive worksheets from Mrs.

Updike which were to be completed for a grade. A grade... lieve it!

All in all, field trips are where students make some of their fondest memories with their friends. They provide a different atmosphere in which students learn about the world around them.

Scope

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Deborah Angove makes a fashion statement wearing Officer Gregory's bullet-proof vest. Officer Gregory used police equipment to demonstrate to the students what a police officer's role is.



Kathy Turkington and Leslie Holt, loaded down with luggage and music, prepare to leave for a Concert Band competition in Richmond. There the band received a superior rating and was awarded a trophy for first place in their division.

Sophomores Mary Peterson, Shenandoah Gillespie and Katie Futrell stop for a break in front of the Washington Monument. Although the weather in D.C. was quite chilly, the class still managed to have a great time.





The senior trip is the most Beginning in ninth grade, all of the fun shared by the trip to the exciting and fast

trip is divided into two parts, each of which is packed full of exciting new experiences. The students barely have time to recover from one event before off they go to another.

The senior class spent four exciting days at Word of Life Inn. These four days included swimming, skiing, bobsledding, snowmobiling, snowboarding, socializing, and relaxing in the jacuzzi. Unwinding in the jacuzzi usually led the seniors out to the accumulating snow where they daringly made snow angels. Word of Life was not only

Up

anticipated class event. students start hearing about seniors on their legendary world of New York. The

in preparation for the upcoming trip, the seniors shopped and

equipped an indoor swimming pool, but a game room as well. Everyone lined up for the opportunity to play pool, ping-pong, or table hockey. Each night a service was presented. This time usually included a skit, a time of singing praise, and then a message.

When the seniors finally arrived in the city, they were ready to take in the whole New York experience. The evening began with a vigorous workout for some in the hotel's weight room, while others went out to get a bite to eat. However, when 7:00 rolled around, everyone was dressed and looking their best for Broadway's own rendition of *The Phantom of the Opera*. During intermission the students mingled in the extravagant

packed frantically, attempting to take everything they could

lobby sipping their cappuccinos and discussing their disbelief and awe at some of the remarkable stage transitions and incredible acting.

Arriving at the hotel late, due to unbelievable traffic, the seniors cut the socializing to a minimum by calling it a night. Yes, the traveling had finally gotten to them, but it was not over because the final day in the city was an all-day tour! Who could forget Jane, the tour guide, with her biting wit and great knowledge of the city's history? It was much to take in for just one day, but the class of '95 managed it, interspersing the sight-seeing with frenzied

Homeward bound, the traveling. Stopping for followed by lunch, seniors gettable week

North

shopping.

last day of the trip was spent church in Pennsylvania, returned from an unfor-



Emily Allis and Angela Stover hang out on the deck of the ferry after leaving the Statue of Liberty. The picturesque sight of Manhattan Island peeks over their shoulders.



While the rest of the class is tubing, Jay Plemmons decides to start his own event. He may look graceful as he soars through the air, but the fall which followed was not so pretty.

You could never tell it was their first time skiing. Melissa Webb, Miriam Long, Jenny Wimmer, Amy Helton and Angie Guthrie stop midway down the bunny slope to pose for a picture.



Margie Wright and Cindy Jones laugh at the bottom of the hill after tubing down it. A ramp near the end of the hill sent several people flying off of their tubes and landing somewhere far from where they left the ground.



Relaxing on the broken air hockey table, these seniors wait for the ping-pong and pool tables to become available. Debra Stanley, April Updike, Ben Thomas, Rebekah Moulton, Rykey Rumbley, Catherine Kistner and Robin Journell enjoy their last night at Word of Life.

Amber Hasson receives her prizes from Mary Wright. Hershey Kisses redefined for the children the phrase "sweet success."

Emily Angove hurries across the parking lot on a hippity-hoppity ball. Staying on the ball was the key to winning the race.



Aubrey Page and Elizabeth Colston intently try to make a basket. Their classmates earnestly encourage them in their endeavor.





One day the children especially enjoyed out of the whole year was Field Day. The morning began with various relays and games such as the Potato Push, Marshmallow Munch, Broomstick Carry and the Dizzy Relay.

After lunch, the children were entertained by a Puppet Show given by Sandy Deel and her missionary group. The group tried to use the show to turn the children's attention toward God. They wanted to help the children to know more about Him.

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elementary students did not seem to notice the rainy morning and have fun together. During this same time, first through third grade students watched videos in their classrooms.

To motivate the children, there were prize drawings throughout the day. Some of the prizes included cassettes, CDs, ten games of bowling, and gift certificates to the Great

the hot, sticky afternoon as they enjoyed a day of frolicing and play

American Cookie Co., Long John Silver's, Lee's Chicken, Domino's Pizza and Boomer's Deli.

All of the elementary children received a certificate for a hamburger, french fries, a Frosty, a meal from Taco Bell, a sundae, a carousel ride, and a milkshake. Packs of gum from Hardee's and Krispy-for everyone. With assistance, the day went smoothly. The success of field day makes it again next year.

Play

Kreme Donuts were provided tance given by the tenth grad- and was enjoyed by all. The everyone look forward to do-



Joel Quesenberry displays the agility of youth as he darts through the hoops. The dizzy relay race obviously did not take away from Joel's endurance.

Deidre Brown crouches, putting all of her effort into blowing the cup across the parking lot as her classmates look on. As long as she can keep the cup aloft, she will remain in the competition.

Eric Johnson enjoys his fried chicken while Jenny Wimmer prefers her salad. The meal at the Junior Senior Banquet was a buffet featuring three entrees: fried chicken, barbeque ribs and swordfish.



Joe Surkamer and his date take time to relax following their meal. Students had time to visit among themselves and take pictures while waiting for the program to begin.

Senior girls gather to make one last check of their appearance in the ladies room at Hotel Roanoke before going out to meet their dates. These girls certainly are appropriately dressed for an "evening of elegance."





Jamie Hurt balances his plates as he considers the buffet. Amy Helton looks on to see if he can successfully juggle the dishes provided for the meal.



Wow, what a man! Sandy Griffin favors the debonair look for the evening. A variety of formal wear was seen during the course of the evening for both the guys and girls.



"An Evening of Elegance" Junior / Senior Banquet this year. The banquet got out of school at the last minute to accomplish their last minute and beautaneres. Most girls had hair, make-up or nail appointments. They had planned for weeks in advance for the perfect hair style and dress. After finding that special dress, they then had to choose accessories to compliment it. Their preparations usually lasted

Night

was the theme for the Junior / Senior Banquet. The students attending the banquet got out of school at noon. This allowed them to accomplish their last minute tasks like buying courages and buotaneres. They had planned for weeks in advance for the perfect hair style and dress. After finding that special dress, they then had to choose accessories to compliment it. Their preparations usually lasted

Hotel Roanoke provided a beautiful backdrop for

right up to the minute their dates arrived. The guys dressed up in tuxedos or their best suits. After what seemed like hours of pictures, they arrived at the newly refurbished Hotel Roanoke. The evening started off with the sophomore hostesses serving punch to everyone outside the crystal ballroom. After mingling for a while, the Juniors and their dates entered the ballroom. It was now time for the seniors to be recognized. The buffet

the Junior / Senior Banquet - "An Evening of Elegance"

style dinner that followed gave everyone the choice between a variety of things to eat. After dinner there were slides of the seniors which reflected their lives as students. The night ended with senior Dave Wike playing the guitar and singing about a girl's life when she went astray. Mr. Colston led the students in prayer to close the evening.

The banquet was a time fun. This "Evening of El- memories in the minds of all

Light

for recollection as well as egance" left many fond who attended.

Jaimie Martin waits in the choir room for graduation to begin. This was a day of anticipation and excitement for all of the soon-to-be graduates.



Mrs. Wimmer and her daughter, Jenny, share a special moment before Graduation. There were four students in this year's class whose parents are teachers at RVCS.



Thirty-six students graduated. Twenty-one young ladies and percent of the students credited to the Lord, with the others church, school or a Christian camp. The class verse was Jeremiah 29:11-13. Approximately ninety percent of the seniors plan to attend college, and one-third intended to enter a Christian college. Vocational choices varied greatly. Jeremy Laughon was the

At

ated from RVCS on June 2. fifteen young men. About sixty their parents with leading them stating that they were saved at

graduation is a time of endings as well as a time of beginning.

valedictorian of this year's class, graduating with a perfect 4.0 GPA. April Updike was the class salutatorian.

When asked to name their most memorable experience at RVCS, five responses stood out: the senior trip, senior retreat, sports program, field trips and cheerleading. One mentioned that the missions conferences had the greatest impact on her life.

a time to reflect, and a time to look forward to life's adventures.

The graduates were asked to name the "greatest influence RVCS has had on my life" and the "person at RVCS who has meant the most to me." Their responses were about evenly divided between friends and teachers.

We appreciate the contribution RVCS has made in the lives of these young people and their contribution to RVCS. that they will continue to seek Him in their future endeavors

Last

Let's pray for our graduates, God's will and be faithful to and relationships.





Following the turning of their tassels, the new graduates rejoice with their friends. Hugs and tears were shared by many of the graduates on this most exciting night.



Dave Wike and Jay Plemmons look on as Greg Carroll has some fun with his mortarboard before graduation. Some students used the time before graduation to make one last memory with their classmates.

Cousins April Updike, salutatorian, and Jeremy Laughon, valedictorian, converse before graduation. Both students delivered their addresses without any problem during the ceremony, April reflecting on the past and Jeremy looking forward to the future.

World News in Review

Edition Nineteen Hundred Ninety-Five

•The ninety four ninety five year saw the continued ethnic conflicts of the year preceding it. There was no real resolution of the major issues dealing with warfare in foreign nations.

In **BOSNIA**, ethnic fighting continued despite an United Nations cease fire. Serbs and Croats continued to commit atrocities against one another.

In **RWANDA**, the Hutus and Tutsi's civil war was subsiding, but sporadic fighting continued. The estimated number of casualties in the genocide added up in the millions.

In Virginia politics, retired **COL. OLIVER NORTH** was defeated in his bid for the open Senate seat by incumbent Chuck Robb. Virginia GOP members lost the battle but won the war as the American people sent a referendum to President Clinton and his party.

For the first time in decades, **REPUBLICANS** controlled both the Senate and the house. As the first hundred days of the new congress convened, the GOP's Contract with America was being pushed by Senate majority leader Bob Dole, and

Speaker of the House, Newt Gingrich.

The **PRESIDENT** went through a series of attacks on the White house, including a man crashing his plane into the mansion, and a man firing on the White House with an assault weapon. Later in the year, a man was shot after climbing the perimeter fence around the grounds.

It was a tough year for the **CLINTON** administration as allegations of wrongdoing and the Whitewater scandal continued. Surgeon General Jocelyn Elders was

dismissed for inappropriate comments involving education, and other nominees for important positions were rejected on the basis of character.

Nationally, it was fairly quiet as....former football great **O.J. SIMPSON** was accused of the double homicide of Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend Ronald Goldman. The trial became a national spectacle, as hours of live coverage were devoted to the trial. Almost unnoticed in all the hoopla was that the circus atmosphere cost the American taxpayers mil-

lions of dollars. It was doubtful that Simpson would be convicted in this proceeding however, as jurors rapidly dropped out from burnout. A mistrial was expected, and a verdict was not perceivable in the near future.

And lastly, in **OKLAHOMA CITY**, a man drove a truck wired with a homemade bomb and parked in front of a federal building. The ensuing explosion rocked not only the building, but the nation. The dead numbered over one hundred fifty, including many children from a day care center

inside the building. The American people, outraged and saddened, found that no longer is American soil immune to terrorists. An all-out manhunt was ordered and eventually three suspects were arrested. Security was tightened all around the country as an outpouring of grief and sympathy went out to those with lost loved ones in Oklahoma City. It was the worst terrorist attack in US history.

And as the year continued, there was one universal sentiment pervading the American conscience: **WHY?**

Atlanta was eagerly planning for the summer games of 1996 as the sports year of 94-95 commenced. It will be the first Olympics held in America since the Los Angeles games of 1984.

In 94-95, the U.S. hosted the **World Cup** for the very first time. The American team did their country proud, shocking the heavily favored Colombians in the first round before losing a hard fought one to nil loss to eventual champion Brazil. The Brazilians, with their flashy style of play and one word names, met up with Italy in the Final. Each was tied for the world cup lead in championships at three apiece. Brazil became the first four time winner in overtime, 1-0.

Baseball started with a cloud of gloom overhead, as a strike was expected. The season commenced spectacularly, as long cherished records seemed destined to fall. These included: Tony Gwynn, attempting to be the first man to hit .400 since Ted Williams; Matt Williams, in his pursuit of Roger Maris and Babe Ruth for the all-time record for homers in a season; and Jeff Bagwell, in his bid to become the first Triple Crown winner in the National league in decades. The pennant races were hot as well, as the Astros, Reds, Expos, Braves, Giants, and Dodgers were all in close contention for the four playoff spots. In the American league the Yankees, Indians, White Sox, Royals, Rangers, and A's were all fighting to get in. But alas, on August twelfth this marvelous season was ended as the players went on strike. It was the longest labor dispute in history. Finally, after over two hundred days, baseball was resumed by court order, still without a collective bargaining agreement. The season was shortened to 144 games to accommodate the delay. It was the first year without a world series since the early nineteen hundreds. What WW's I and II, earthquakes, and civil unrest couldn't do, greed did. Baseball was forever changed.

In **college football**, Nebraska head coach Tom Osborne finally won the big one. After six tries he finally succeeded in winning the Orange Bowl and the national championship. In the game the Huskers' massive offensive line wore out the Miami Hurri-

canes' heralded defensive front and won 24-17. There was some dispute to Nebraska's proclamation as champions as the Nittany Lions of Penn State also finished the season unbeaten and untied.

In **pro football**, it was the year of the 'Niners, as San Fransisco danced its way to the world championship. The addition of charismatic cornerback Deion Sanders, as well as eleven other defensive free agents enabled the team to finally get past the Dallas Cowboys in the NFC Championship game. It was the third straight year the teams had met for the right to go to the Super Bowl. The Super Bowl itself was a mere formality as the *real* Super Bowl had been the NFC title game. The Forty Niners blew out the San Diego Chargers 49-26. With the loss, the AFC has lost ten straight Super Bowls. It was the first time in five years the Buffalo Bills had not played in the final game.

College basketball was as exciting as ever. It was a season of parity, as several different teams held the number one ranking. It also held surprises, as perennial powerhouse Duke finished last in the ACC and didn't make a post season tournament. This could be explained by the loss of their coach due to exhaustion, and a youthful backcourt. In the "Big Dance," upsets were in order as several lower seeds shocked the favorites. The ACC, feeling slighted with only four entries in the tournament, put all four of those teams in the sweet sixteen. The Big Ten received seven bids, a ludicrous offer, even though it was a down year in that conference.

The **ACC** schools got the last laugh, as all of the Big Ten teams were gone by the second round. North Carolina made it to the Final Four, and Virginia, after defeating Kansas in Kansas City, lost a tough game to defending national champion Arkansas in the round of eight. Arkansas had survived a series of games they probably should have lost. The "Hogs" met UCLA in the final. The Bruins put on an athletic show of running and dunking in the most impressive performance in a title game since UNLV in '90. UCLA extended their record for most titles to eleven, and got their first record under the coaching of someone other than John Wooden.

Looking through the next thirty-four pages, you will see scores of faces. Some are familiar; others are not; some you may wish you knew better.

Each face tells a story. In the seniors you will see joy or sadness for graduation. Juniors have the look of anticipation for the seniors leaving. Sophomores and freshmen are dazed from all the work they have to do. Middle schoolers look as though they want their high school careers to begin while elementary students just have the look of fun.

Although these faces tell a story, there is something more behind them. These faces are the reason RVCS thrives. Prayer, dedication and Christ are the source for the appearance of these faces. Though sacrifices are made for them to be here, the outcome is well-rounded students and faculty. The members that make up the school strive for excellence and even through all of life's trials always remember that Christ is . . .

The Focal Point





Rebecca Assaid and Amber Handy add a little twist to the normal playtime. Tim Warren carefully watches to make sure neither of the girls fall. What a job!

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Emily Catherine Allis. "Emily" Is.43:1-3. Jr. Marshall-11; Chem. Instrumentation Wkshp.-11; Science Fair-2nd place-11, 1st place-12; Key Club-10,11. NHS-11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Pres. Acad. Fitness Award-12; Cross Country-11.

James Travis Andrews. "Trav" Phil.4:13. 4-H-9,10,11,12; Mini Boot Camp-12; U.S. Marine Corps Delayed Entry Program.

Trimble Leigh Bailey. "Trouble" Phil.6:7. Science Fair-2nd place-9, 1st place-10,11, 3rd place-12; Reg. Science Fair-10; All-Dist. Band-10; ACSI Dist. Chr. HS St.; Science Olympics-12; VA Girls' State-12; Jr Miss Rke. County-12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Pres. Acad. Fitness Award-12; Band Award-12; V Cheerleader (ltr.-11,12); Women's Soccer-12 (ltr., co-capt., Coach's Award).

Ryan Timothy Bivins. "Ryan" Heb.10:24. NHS-10,11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Pres. Acad. Fit. Award-12; JV Basketball-9,10(co-capt.); JV Soccer-9; V Soccer-10,11,12(co-capt.) (ltr.-10,12); B'nai B'rith-12.

Robert Earl Camper. "Robbie" Jer.29:11. JV Soccer-9; V Soccer-10,(ltr.-11,12), MVP Def.-10,12; Baseball-11,(ltr.-10,12).
Gregory Wayne Carroll. "Greg" Phil.1:6. Who's Who-11,12; Key Club-12; Band-9,10,(ltr.11,12); Ensemble-12; V Soccer (letter-12), Most Encouraging-12; Golf-9,10; Cross Country-11.

Paul David Ferris. "Paul David" James 1. New Creation-9,10; Key Club-12; NHS-10,11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Soc. Studies Award-12.

Sandy Thomas Griffin. "Sandy" Ps.34:4. Key Club-12; JV Basketball-9; Golf-10(ltr.-11,12); V Basketball(ltr.-12).

Angela Renee Guthrie. "Angie" Matt.7:7. Key Club-11,12; 4-H Club-(v.pres. and tres.-11, pres.-10,12); State 4-H Horse Show; Who's Who-10,11,12; NHS-10,11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; JV Basketball-10; V Basketball-11; V Volleyball-(ltr.-10,11),most imp.-10.

Kristel Lyn Hardy. "Kristel" Ps.116:1-2. NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Diligence Award-12; Pres. Acad. Fitness Award-12; JV Cheerleader-9; V Cheerleader-(ltr.-10,11,12) capt.-12.

Amy Melissa Helton. "Amy" Prov.3:5-6. Key Club-11,12; Science Fair-1st place-10,11; JV Volleyball-9; V Basketball(ltr.-9,10,11,12),most inspir.-12, capt.-12; Softball(ltr.-9,10,11,12), MVP-10,11,12, all-conf.-10,11,12, all-tourn.-10,11, capt.-11,12; RVCS Sports Hall of Fame-12.

Jamie LeRae Hurt. "Jamie" Phil.4:13. Key Club-12; Superlative-9; School Superlative-12; JV Soccer-10; JV Basketball-10; V Basketball-11,(letter-12); Baseball-(ltr.-11); Cross Country-12.

Cynthia Renee Jones. "Cindy" Phil.4:13. Who's Who-10,11,12; Key Club-11,12; Young Life; Science Fair-3rd place-10,1st place-11; Softball-(ltr.-10,11,12).

Robin Lynn Journell. "Robin" Phil.4:6-7. NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Yrbk.-10,11(asst. editor),12(editor); Diligence Award-9; Leadership Award-11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Speech & Drama Award-12; Softball-(ltr.-9); Cross Country-(ltr.-9,10); V Basketball-9,10; V Cheerleader-(ltr.-12).

Wesley Allan Karnes. "Wes" John 16:33. NHS-10,11,12; Band-9,10,12,(ltr.-11), all-dist.-10.

Catherine Melissa Kistner. "Catherine" Isaiah 41:9-10. Key Club-12; Refugee Tutor-12; C. E. F.-10,11,12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; JV Cheerleader-8,9; V Cheerleader-10,11,12(ltr.-10,11,12); All-Star, All-American Nominee-11,12; U.S. Cheerleader Achievement Award-12

Benjamin Everett Kitts. "Benjy" Heb.11:1. Key Club-12; Golf-(ltr.-10,11,12), MVP-10,11,12, all-conf.-10,11. all-timesland-11.

Jeremy Joel Laughon. "Germy" Is.41:10. Ensemble-9,10; Key Club-9,12; Yrbk.-12; Class Sec.-Treas.-11; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; ACSI Dist. Chr. HS St.-11,12; Jr. Marshall-11; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Scholarship Award-9,10,12; Science Fair-1st place-9, 3rd place-12; Yearbook-12; Pres. Acad. Fitness Award-12; Bible Award-12; Computer Award-12; Faculty Scholar with Distinction-Roanoke College-12; *Valedictorian*.

Miriam Ruth Long. "Miriam" Ps.51:10-12. NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Key Club-12; Academic Letter-11,12; Pres. Academic Fit. Award-12; Cross Country-(letter-9,10,11); JV Basketball-9; V Basketball-10,(letter-11,12), most improved-11, most inspir.-12, capt.-12.

Everett James Martin. "Jaimie" 1 Tim. 4:12. Sound Board-9,10,11,12; Sparks learder-9,10,11,12; Passion Play-12.



THE CLASS OF . . .



The wait is over. All of the papers and projects are turned in. High school is completed. We are writing the last chapter in a book that spans the course of 13 years.

Throughout the years we, as a class, have experienced many things together. Some of us can remember playing together in pre-school, and some of the friendships that were born so long ago have grown with us.

We began our formal education with Mrs. Crutchfield in kindergarten, where she taught us, among other things, the importance of walking silently in a single-file line. The highlights of the year included making Indian vests out of paper grocery bags at Thanksgiving and performing the kindergarten program.

In 1st grade Miss Toms and Mrs. Cooley helped us sound out our first words as we learned to read. For Mother's Day we designed plates for our moms and helped write a cookbook of our favorite

things that our mothers cooked. These recipes included directions for baking a cake for five minutes at 6°, and putting a bushel of chopped onions in meatloaf. There was also one recipe that the student specified could only be made on Sunday. Perhaps the most exciting part of 1st grade was when we started using pencils **with** erasers.

In 2nd grade, taught by Mrs. Frazier and Miss Costner, we learned to write in cursive. Dressed in bathrobes, we did *Daniel, Darius, and de Lion* for our chapel program. It went so well that we were invited to do it again during a Shenandoah church service. The exciting part was that this time it was in the brand new worship center!

Miss Anderson and Mrs. Hill helped us learn to multiply in 3rd grade. Almost every night, our homework was to go over our flashcards for 10 minutes.

In 4th grade our class field trip took us to Natural Bridge, where Mrs. Primo and Miss Mercer fascinated us by pointing out where George Washington had initialed the stone. It was in 4th grade that we were first able to buy individual items at lunch.

5th grade began a whole new concept in education. We got to switch classes between Mrs. McQuerrey, who taught us reading, and Miss Lawson, whose specialty was math.

By the time we had reached 6th grade, we had become "big kids." After all, we were the oldest in the whole elementary. For our field trip, we toured Montecello, in the rain, with our teachers, Miss Carico and Mrs. Suhr.



Senior students help themselves to the bounty of the salad bar. Enjoying the salad bar on Thursdays is a senior privilege coveted by underclassmen.

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... NINETY-FIVE

As we entered 7th grade, we were excited to get lockers, change classes every period, and to have a different notebook for each class. We began participating in sports, spent our free time catching bugs for our insect collections, and were "Born to Have Eagle Spirit" during our first Spirit Week.

During the summer before 8th grade our class faced the hardest things that we ever have-the unexpected death of our dear friend, Christie Fisher. We were heartbroken at the loss of our classmate. This loss made it difficult to return to school two weeks later, but it pulled us together and taught us to rely on God. It was during 8th grade that many of us got our first taste of a strange and abstract-seeming form of math, Algebra I.

We entered high school excited about the name "freshmen" and ready to make our presence known. We chose superlatives for the first time, made moon charts, and toured Old Salem on a field trip.

Our sophomore year took us to Washington DC, probably our most memorable field trip, where several of us were introduced to "Margaret Mayhew" through the prank phone calls which kept us up well into the night. It was during the 10th grade that the guys won the VIC in soccer, and we got our licenses, which gave many of us the means to start dating.

Our junior year will probably be remembered as the most academically difficult year as we found ourselves buried under hours of homework every night. We worked hard to plan the banquet, and then enjoyed ourselves as we saw our hard work pay off.

Our senior year has been full of memories: the Senior Retreat, Christmas par-

ties at Mr. Colston's and Mr. Grooten's, Spirit Week, the Senior Trip to New York, *Phantom of the Opera*, the philosophy paper project that seemed to last all year, the Banquet at Hotel Roanoke, and now, the climax of it all, Graduation.

We have learned a lot during our stay at RVCS. Our elementary teachers layed the foundation for our education by teaching us how to read, write, and do basic math. More importantly, though, they helped us learn Bible verses and stories and through their guidance we learned to love God. Through middle and high school, as our knowledge of the world around us increased, so did our understanding of the One who created it. Our teachers have taught us through their lives, as well as through their words, the necessity of a relationship with Christ.

Exerpts from the Salutatorian Address, as delivered by April Updike, June 2, 1995.



The best matched couple of the senior class. Margie Wright and Paul David Ferris. show the diversity of their personalities during Spirit Week. Margie relives the '80s, while Paul David embraces the styles of the roaring '20s.





Rebekah Ann Moulton. "Bekah" Is.12:1-2. Key Club-11,12; Ensemble-11,12; Speech & Drama-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Pres. Acad. Fit. Award-12.

Daniel Jay Plemmons. "Jay" Rom.12:1-2. US Tennis Assoc.; SW VA Theater for Youth; Speech & Drama-12; Tennis-9,10,(ltr.-11,12), most imp.-11,12.

Amanda Leigh Poff. "Amanda" Jer.29:11-13. CEF-10,11; Future Teachers of America-11; Key Club-12; Speech & Drama-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12.

Edward Ryke Rumbley IV. "Rykey" Ps.136:1. JV Soccer-9; V Soccer-10,11,12; Baseball-9,10,(ltr.-11,12); Cross Country-12.



Allison Haynes Shackleford. "Ally" I Pet.1:3-5. NHS-11,12; Future Teachers of America-11,12; V Volleyball-10; V Cheerleader-(ltr.-11,12).

Adam Matthew Smoot. "Adam" Phil.4:13. NHS-10,11,12; Key Club-12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; JV Soccer-9,10; Tennis-(ltr.-9,10,11,12); Swimming-9,10,11,12; Indoor Soccer-11,12; V Soccer-(ltr.-12).

Debra Ann Stanley. "Debbie" Prov.3:5-6. Key Club-10,11, sec.-12; Ensemble-11,12; Ensemble Award-12; NHS-12; Acad. Ltr.-12; Science Fair-3rd place-9; Church Softball-10,11,12.

Angela Joy Stover. "Angela" Jer.29:11-13. NHS-10,11,12; New Creation-10; FCA-10,11; Sec.-Treas.-10,12; V Pres.-11; Key Club-11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; U.S. National Art Award-12; Superlative-11,12; JV Volleyball-capt.,MVP, all-conf.-9; V Volleyball-10,11.



Joseph Herman Surkamer III. "Joe" Prov.11:30. NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Young Life; FCA; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; V Basketball-(ltr.-9,10,11,12), capt.-12; Golf-(ltr.-9,10,11,12), MVP-8,9, Coach's Award-10,11,12, All-conf.-9,10,11,12; V Soccer-(letter10,11,12), capt.-12.

Amanda Gayle Taylor. "Lou" I Pet.3:15. Key Club-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Jr.Marshall-11; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Art Award-12; Pres. Acad. Fit. Award-12; JV Basketball-9; JV Volleyball-9; V Volleyball-(ltr.-10,11),capt.-11.

Benjamin Allen Thomas, Jr. "Ben" I Cor.10:13. Key Club-11,12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; New Creation-10; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Student Conservation Assoc.-12; Pres. Acad. Fit. Award-12; JV Soccer-9; JV Basketball-9(most imp.); Tennis-(ltr.-9,10,11,12),most imp.-9,11, most inspir.-11, capt.-11,12, all-conf.-11,12, all-tourn.-11,12; V Soccer-(ltr.-10,11,12), most imp.-10, Labor Day Classic all-tourn.-12, all-confer.-12, all-tourn.-12.

April Dawn Updike. "April" Heb.13:5b. Key Club-10,11,12 (pres.-12); NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; ACSI Dist. Chr. HS Student-10,11,12; Sec.-Treas.-9; Exec. Comm. Sec.-12; Yearbook-10, 11(assis.ad.),12(editor); New Creation-12; Science Fair-2nd place-9,10; 1st place-11,12; RVCS Grand Prize Winner-11,12; Reg. Science Fair Rep.-10,11,12 (3rd place-10; Hollins College Sigma Xi Award-10; 2nd place-11,12); Leadership Award-9,10; Scholarship Award-9,12; Diligence Award-11; Service Award-11,12; Acad. Ltr.-11,12; Jr. Marshall-11; Pres. Acad. Fit. Award-12; English Award-12; Science Award-12; Principal's Award-12; *Salutatorian*; B'nai B'irth-12; Army Reserve Scholar-Athlete Award-12; RVCS Scholar-Athlete Award-12; JV Volleyball mgr.-9; V Volleyball (ltr.-10,11,12); V Women's Basketball scorekeeper-(ltr.-9,10,11,12); Softball-10,(ltr.-9,11,12), capt.-12.



Melissa Dawn Webb. "Mish" Phil.4:8. New Creation-12; Key Club-12; JV Basketball-9,10.

Angela Jane Whitlow. "Angie" 2Cor.4:16-18. Key Club-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Scholarship Award-9; Academic Letter-11,12; Jr. Marshall-11; Pres. Academic Fit. Award-12; JV Volleyball-9; V Volleyball-(letter-10,11,12), most inspir.-9; most improved-11, all-conf., capt.-12.

David Jonathan Wike. "Dave" Jos.1:9. Boy Scouts; NHS-10,11,12; Key Club-12; Pres. Academic Fit. Award-12; Superlative-10.



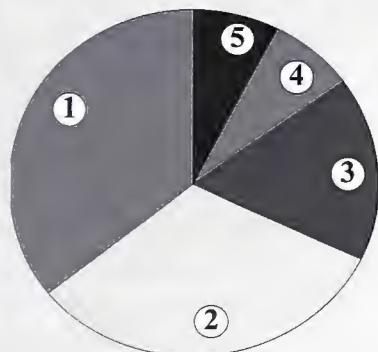
Jennifer Lynne Wimmer. "Jenny" Ps.25:2,4. Key Club-12; Science Fair-2nd place; ACSI Art Show (2 superiors)-12; JV Volleyball-7,8,9(capt.); JV Basketball-7,8,9,10; V Volleyball-10,11,12; Softball-9; Soccer-12.

Marjorie Shearon Wright. "Margie" 2Tim.1:6-7. Key Club-11,12; Ensemble-9,12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Academic Letter-11,12; Pres. Academic Fit. Award-12; Superlative-10.

Rhonda Elayne Wright. "Rhonda" Jer.29:11-13. Key Club-12; Ensemble-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Superlative-9; DAR Award-12; Spanish Award-12; Academic Letter-11,12; Pres. Academic Fit. Award-12; JV Cheerleader-9(captain); V Cheerleader-(letter-10,11,12),All-star cheerleader-11,12.

SUROEY

*What is your favorite thing
to do in your
spare time?*



- 1 Other
- 2 Go out with friends
- 3 Go to the mall
- 4 Watch TV
- 5 Listen to music

Dion Minter, Robert Shelton, Matt Smith, and Daniel Gay show their laid-back-tourist look as they explore the streets of Williamsburg. The juniors travel to Williamsburg for a field trip.

Sandy Carroll and Noelle Perkinson pose for the camera after getting ready for a night of fun. Friends often spend evenings sharing in good times.

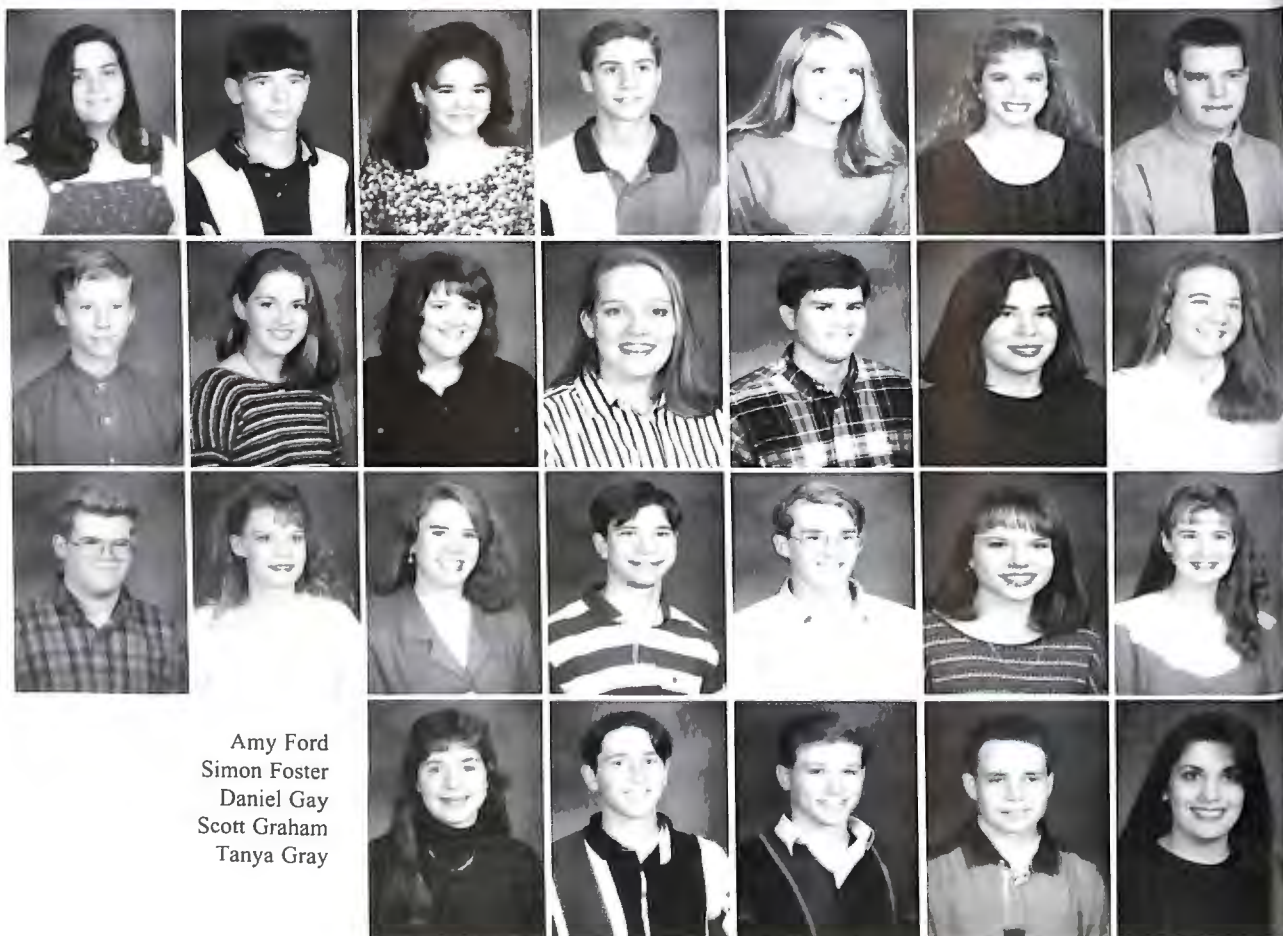


Ashley Abbott
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Scott Graham
Tanya Gray





SPENDING TIME

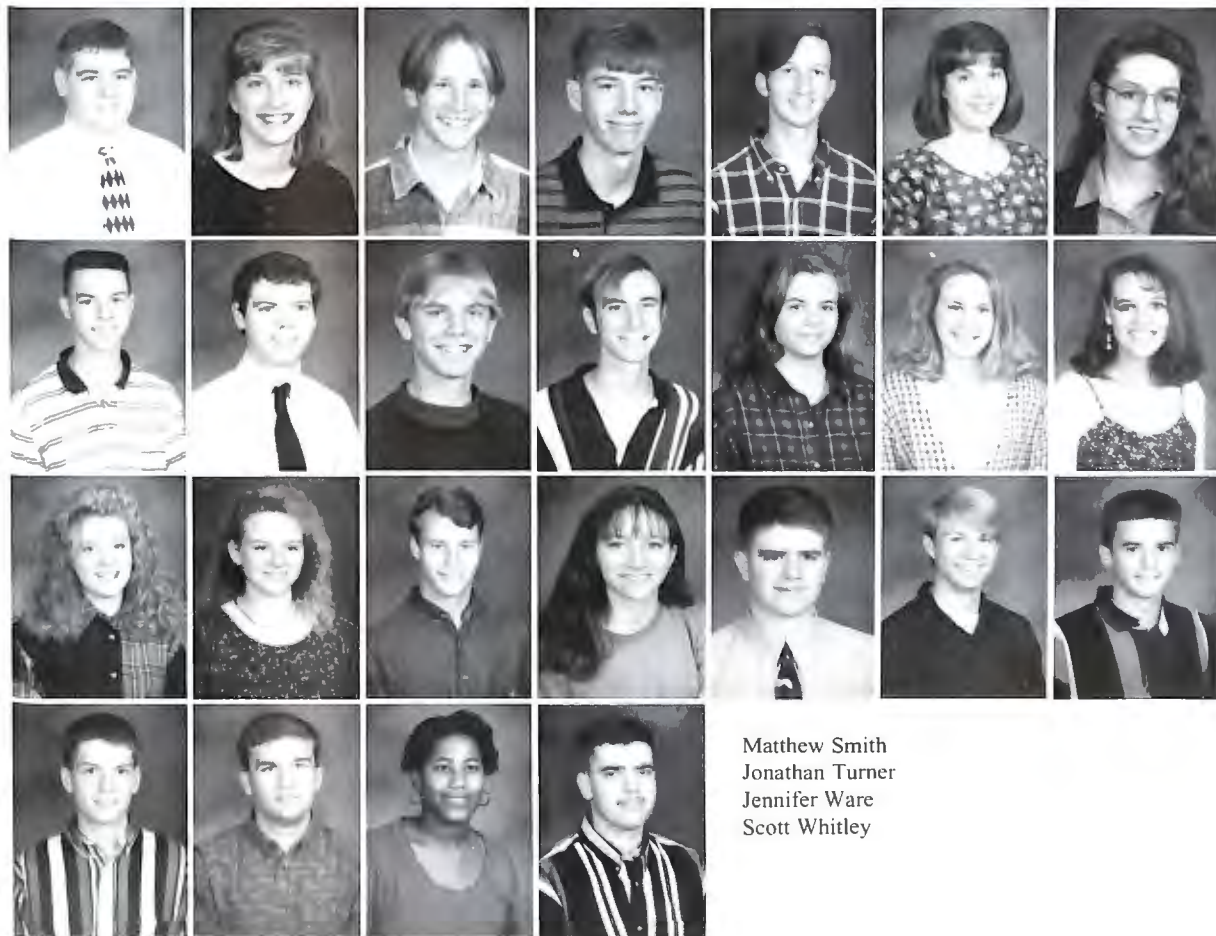
The junior class is filled with variety. The one thing everyone agrees on is the value of friendships that they have made, from their best friends to acquaintances. The class is full of energy and has a lot of fun together. The favorite thing that most of the class enjoy doing is spending time with friends. That could be with girl friends or guy friends or even both.

When groups of friends spend time together they always have fun. Sometimes they will go out to eat or rent a movie and watch it at someone's house. One group of friends enjoys going to "Pumpkin's" house. "Pumpkin" is the nickname given to Mandy Ratliff by her

friends.

Some friends spend their time listening to music and shooting pool. Others enjoy companionship while shopping. Many friends spend much of their time playing a sport together, or going on trips. Tasha Shelor spends much of her time volunteering at various places. Others form close friendships at work where many spend their time.

No matter where they are going or what they are doing, the juniors always have fun and make the best out of what they are doing. They appreciate the friendships they have made and realize how important friends are.



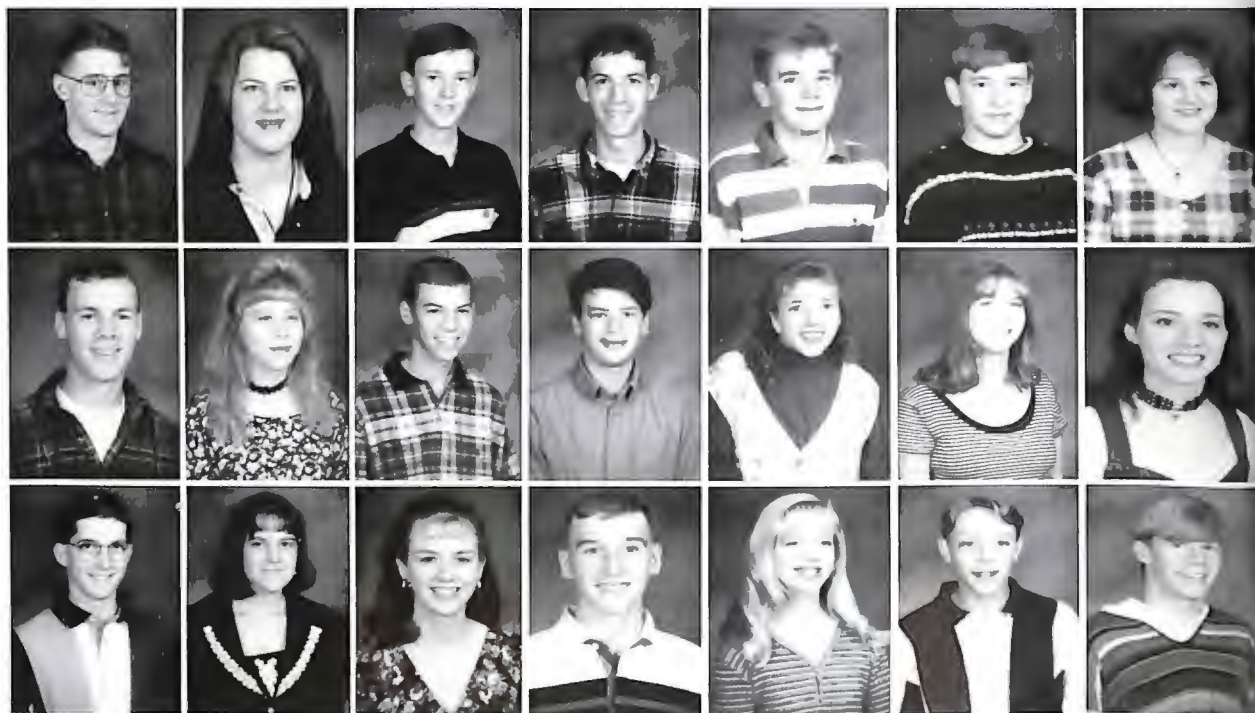
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Cassie Poff
Angela Primo

Ashley Rakes
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Jay Richardson
Tasha Shelor
Robert Shelton
Zack Shiffer
Nathaniel Simmons

Matthew Smith
Jonathan Turner
Jennifer Ware
Scott Whitley

Allen Armstrong
 Rachael Bischoff
 Cory Bonham
 John Childress
 Nathan Chitwood
 Chris Clemmer
 Jennifer Clough



Joe Collins
 Christine Cotsamire
 Mark DeLong
 Wes Dickerson
 Beth Dillard
 Katie Futrell
 Shenandoah Gillespie

Marvin Haines
 Stephanie Hammed
 Tracy Hodges
 Gailon Hogan
 Rebekah Hollins
 Jason Huddle
 Chris Huffman

NEW ADDITIONS

As the bell rang in the '94-'95 school year and students filed into the auditorium for the opening assembly, the sophomores noticed several new faces in their class. Many of the new arrivals were already familiar to our students. Joe Collins, otherwise known as "J.C.," quickly became acquainted with many people through guys on the varsity soccer team. Many knew Mary Peterson through her sister, Anna, who graduated in the class of '94. Mary has become friends with several people.

These aren't the only new sophomores who are making an impression on our school. Matt Warren can be found

diligently working in the computer lab during lunch and at other times. Philip Martin, who came to us from Lord Botetourt High School, has found many new friends among RVCS students. Rachel Bischoff and Amanda Vaughan can be seen with their friends between classes.

Students can make or break a school. These students are sure to do the former. In the future, members of the RVCS student body will look back on their school years and have many fond memories of gaining new friends. New students grow into the student body and eventually become part of the "big picture" of our school.

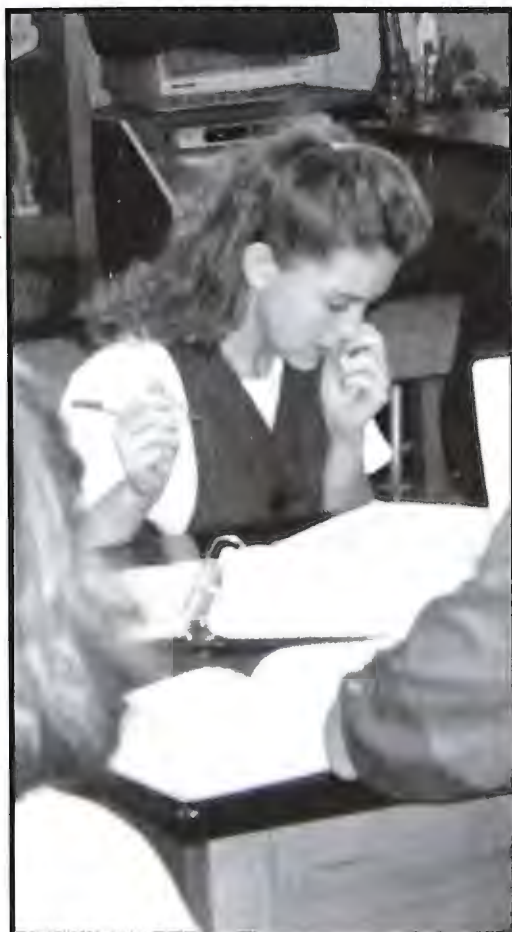




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Jodie Vlug
Gavin Walters
Matt Warren
Jennifer Wise
Mary Wright

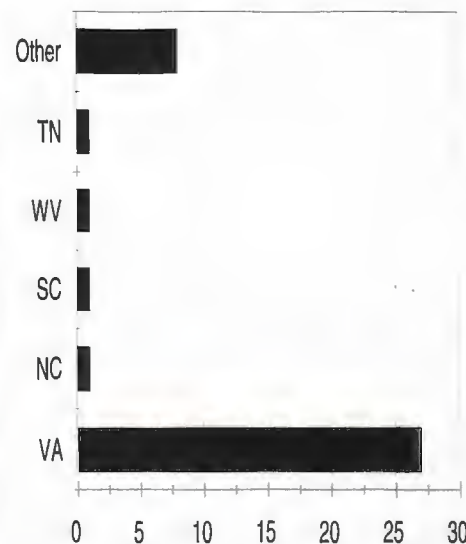


Amanda Vaughan pours over a biology question in an attempt to finish her homework before the bell rings. As a new student Amanda has discovered that RVCS teachers challenge students to work hard in their classes.

Rachel Bischoff tries to maintain her poise as Rebekah Hollins struggles with her lines. Each year students get involved in Shakespearean literature by dramatizing a play.

SURVEY

Where were you born?



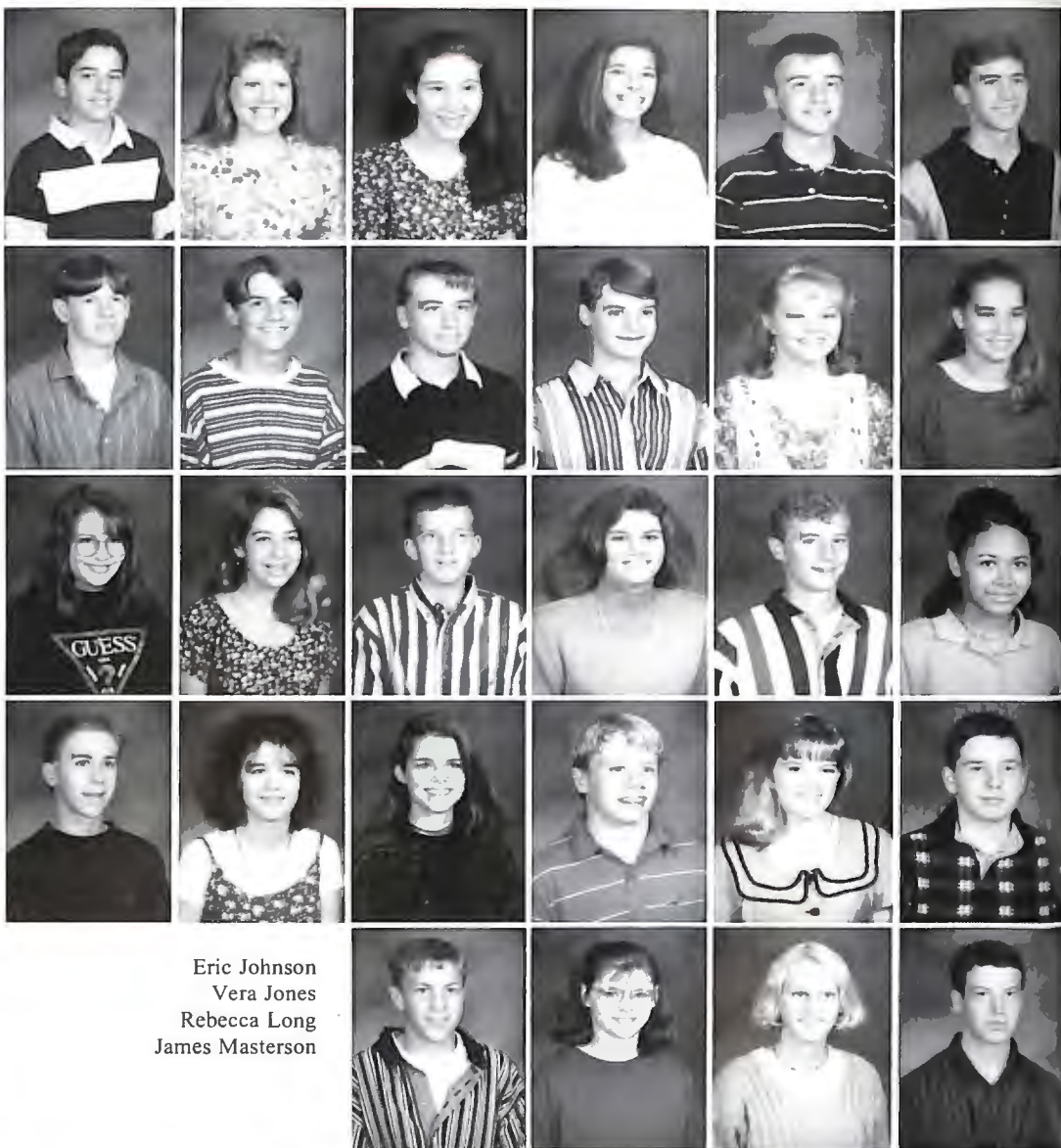
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Tim Dooley
Nia Douglas

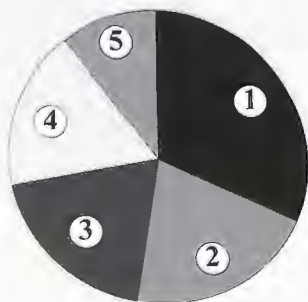
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Eric Johnson
Vera Jones
Rebecca Long
James Masterson



SURVEY

Where is your favorite
place to shop?



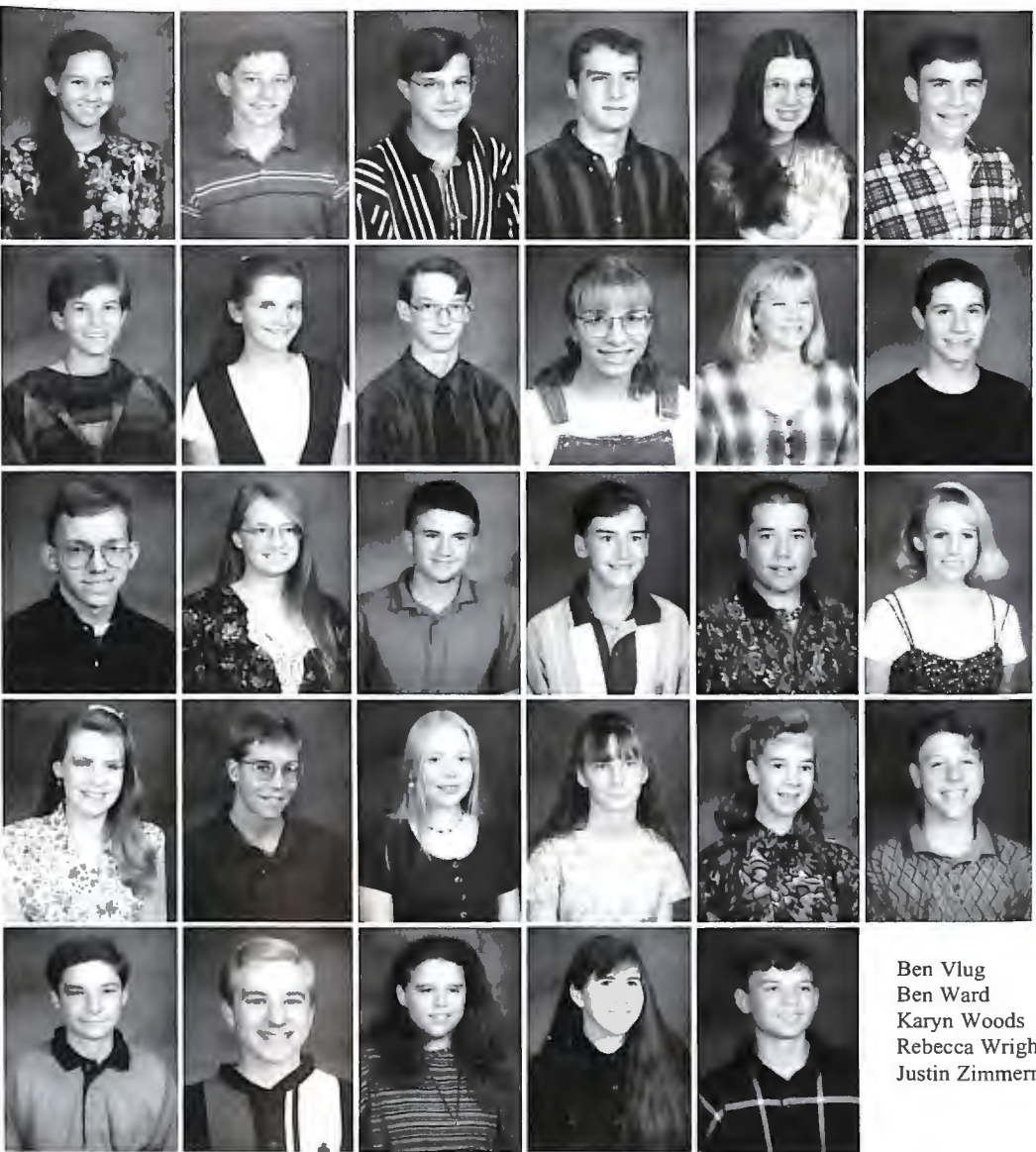
- 1 Goodwill
- 2 American Eagle
- 3 Levi's
- 4 J.C. Penney's
- 5 The Limited



Chad Booth, obviously not hearing the racing footsteps behind him, is in complete awe as Mark Searce leaps over his head. It's hard to tell what could happen with these lively freshmen around.

Rebecca Long, Sam Thomas, Daniel Bivins, Chad Booth, and Mark Searce together make a carefree cluster of friends as they mingle in the halls of the high school building.





Dorenda McGuire
Derek McKinney
Shaun Mundy
Michael Myers
Linda Overstreet
Hampton Pasley

Molly Perkinson
Amy Pierce
Jonathan Polar
Gabriel Rexrode
Amy Rumbley
Mark Searce

Scotty Scott
Elizabeth Shiffer
Timmy Spencer
Daniel Stephens
Garrett Suhr
Michelle Tankersley

Valerie Terry
Sam Thomas
Nikki Tilley
Melissa Truman
Deborah Turkington
David Turpin

Ben Vlug
Ben Ward
Karyn Woods
Rebecca Wright
Justin Zimmerman



LOOKING FOR RESPECT

Learning the ropes of high school can be extremely difficult, but not for this diverse group of musically inclined students. Also contributing to a smooth transition are their laid-back personalities. Almost every student plays an instrument in which he/she excels. Whether it be a flute, piano, or guitar, they play it and they play it well. Their talent in music has brought them closer as friends.

Their music and their style also

makes this freshmen class unique from any other. They are a group of individuals doing what they should, being themselves.

No matter how different the dress or hairstyle may be, (according to those who are stereotypical), they are all genuine. Their desire to be different will surely be a great asset to them in future years as they channel their thoughts and lifestyles into seeking God's will for their lives.

DISTINCTLY DIFFERENT

First impressions often times implant in one's mind a lasting impression of another person. When meeting a member of the class of '99, one will notice immediately what the students refer to as a being "hyper." This carefree, crazy outlook parallels their zest for having pool parties, doing revolutionary stunts, and being daredevils. These activities are the pinnacle of fun for them.

Handling this class in school is always a challenge for their teachers who consistently strive to give out loving discipline. The students need a

firm hand on occasion to help them better control their exuberance.

Another facet an observer may observe is their own style of dress, which sets them apart from the rest. The tendency is toward an individual look. Flannels, big pants, Pumas, Airwalks, and Addidas are the apex of fashion.

Originality is a character trait of which the class of '99 is quite proud, and one which they will strive to maintain in the future. Jeff Livermon captured the essence of their individuality when he commented, "There is no other eighth grade class at this school."



Bob Angove
Erin Assaid
Adam Baber
Jacob Bailey
Jessica Baratta
Joy Bellows
Corey Bishop



Rebecca Bryant
Karen Chilton
Jaime Cook
Donald Coons
Christopher Crawford
Ashley Dalton
Amanda Delong



Renee' Dennis
Diana Dittmann
Aaron Faust
David Ferguson
Joshua Foster
Jonathan Fullmer
Keith Gilbert



Gina Guthrie
Rebecca Hart
Jeremy Huddle
Justin Hurt
Lucas Jones
Scott Jones
Kristin Kidd





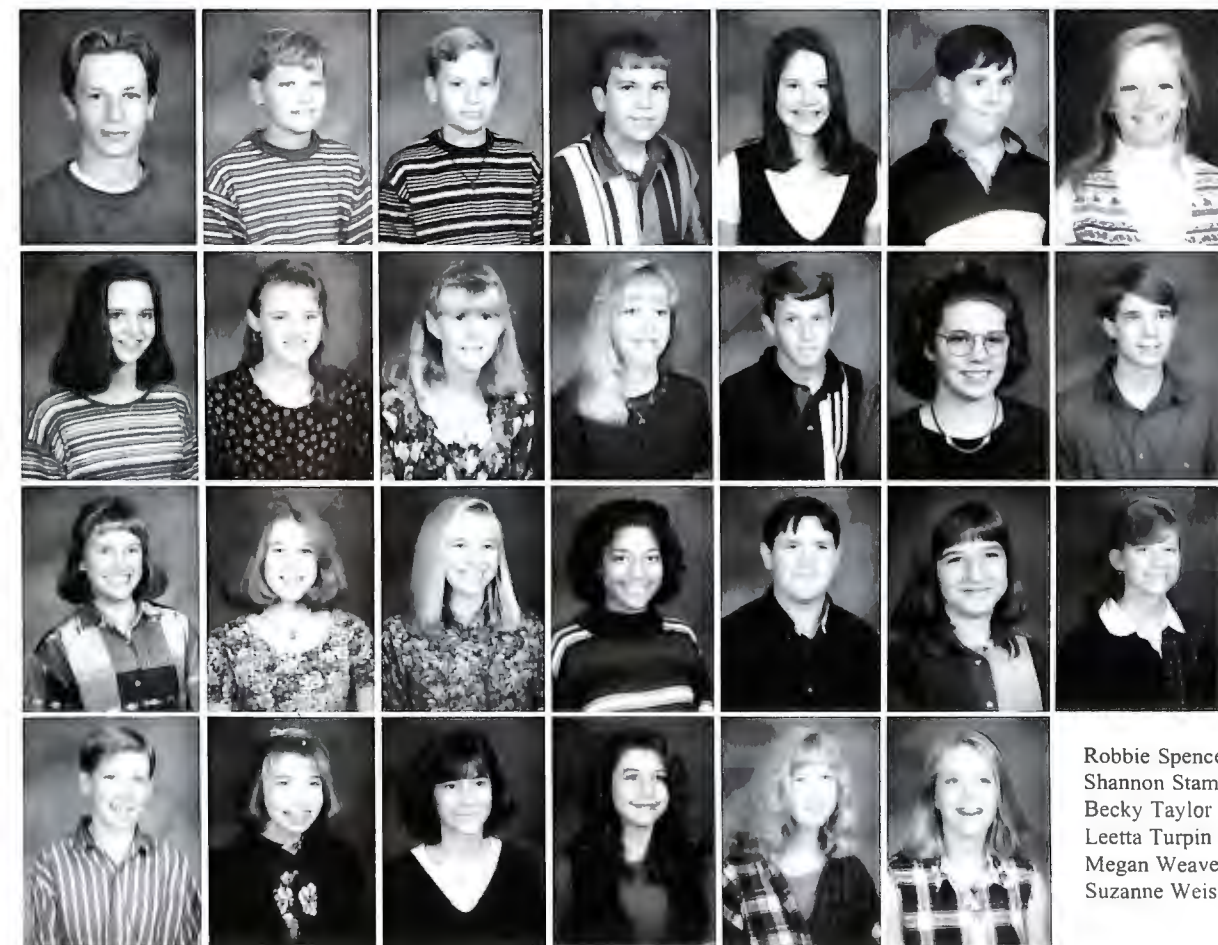
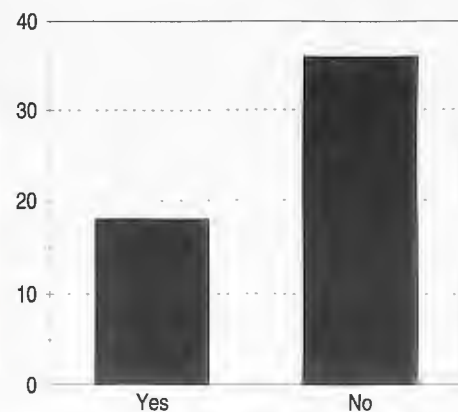
Adam Baber precariously climbs from a tree. Chris Crawford, Jacob Bailey, Becky Hart, Susie Weiser and Rebecca Lockhart contemplate whether he will be able to accomplish it without injury.

Chris Crawford and Susie Weiser enjoy conversation on the steps of the annex. Eighth graders need to unwind after a tough day of school.



SURVEY

Do you have older siblings at ROCS ?



Matthew Kingery
Christopher Lawrie
Joe Leonard
Jeff Livermon
Rebecca Lockhart
Joshua Mabrey
Lauren McKee

Sarah Motley
Erica Noble
Jennifer Pagans
Natoshia Parrish
Jason Poff
Caroline Powell
Benjamin Pugh

Jessica Rakes
Shannon Short
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Steven Smith
Jana Smoot
Andrea Spangler

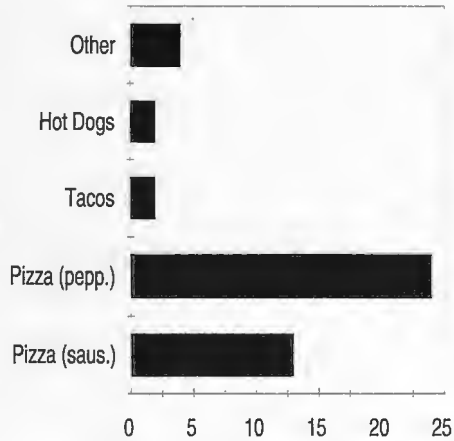
Robbie Spencer
Shannon Stamper
Becky Taylor
Leetta Turpin
Megan Weaver
Suzanne Weiser

Nikki Breeding finishes her delightful lunch with a candy bar dessert. Candy bars and ice cream are among the desserts which can be purchased in the cafeteria.

Amanda Halsey uses her extra lunch time to review for a World Geography test. Many seventh grade students seize every opportunity to study for tests.

SURVEY

What's your favorite lunch?

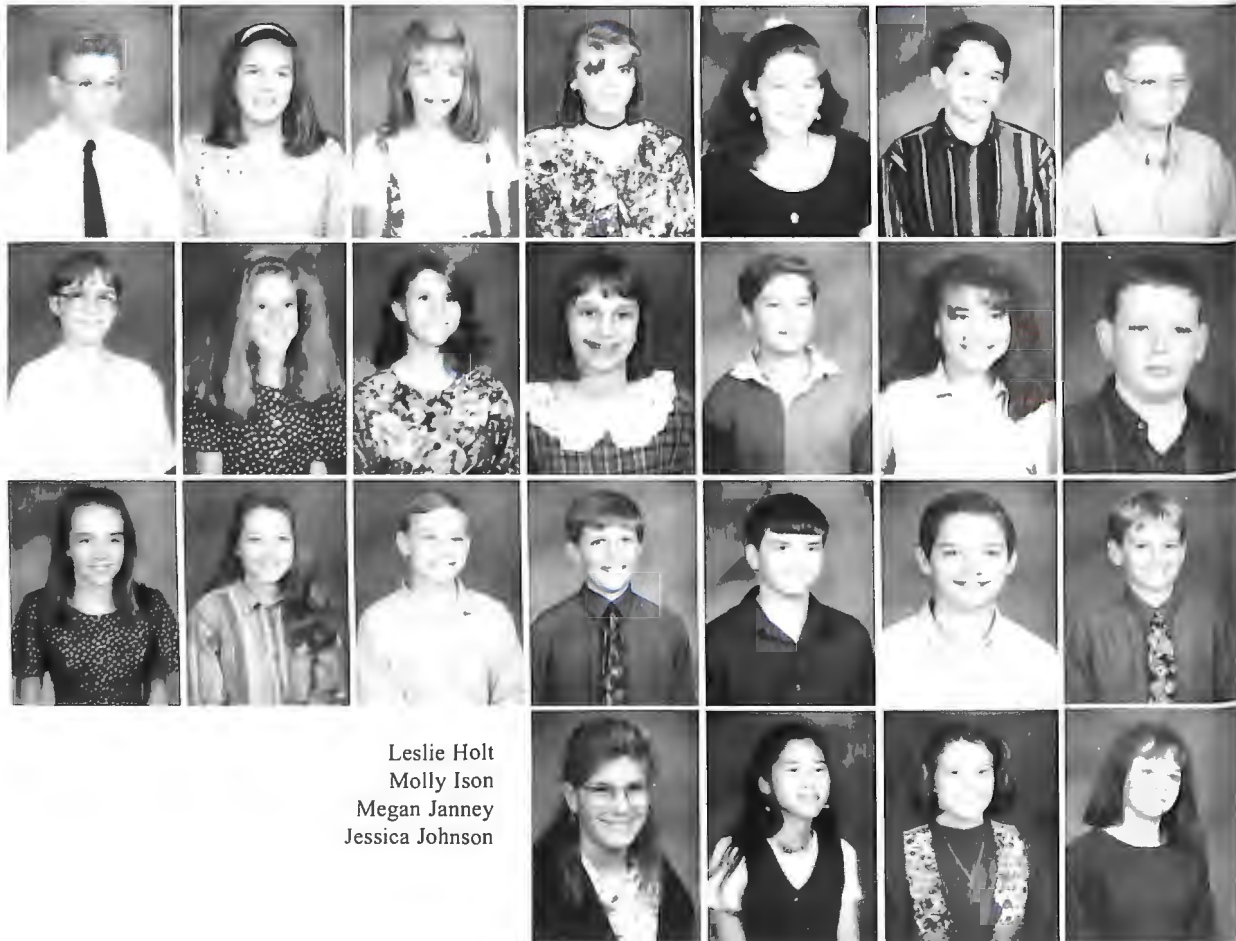


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Jennie Ayers
Nikki Breeding
Dinisha Brown
Jonathan Broyles
Joshua Carter

James Clark
Andrea Dooley
Erin Duff
Kimberly Fisher
Luke Flowers
Joanna Foley
Matthew Gardner

Jessica Gilbert
Amanda Halsey
Daniel Harmon
Stephen Harrison
Daniel Hartberger
Philip Hassell
Joshua Hendrick

Leslie Holt
Molly Ison
Megan Janney
Jessica Johnson





JUST FOR SHORT

Not everyone has one and none are the same. What makes nicknames so special? The fact that the appellation is yours, to be shared with no one else, and because it represents your personality.

Joanna Foley is often referred to as "O Anna." This alias is was given by a friend who thought it would be humorous to reverse Joanna's name. Hence came "O Anna!"

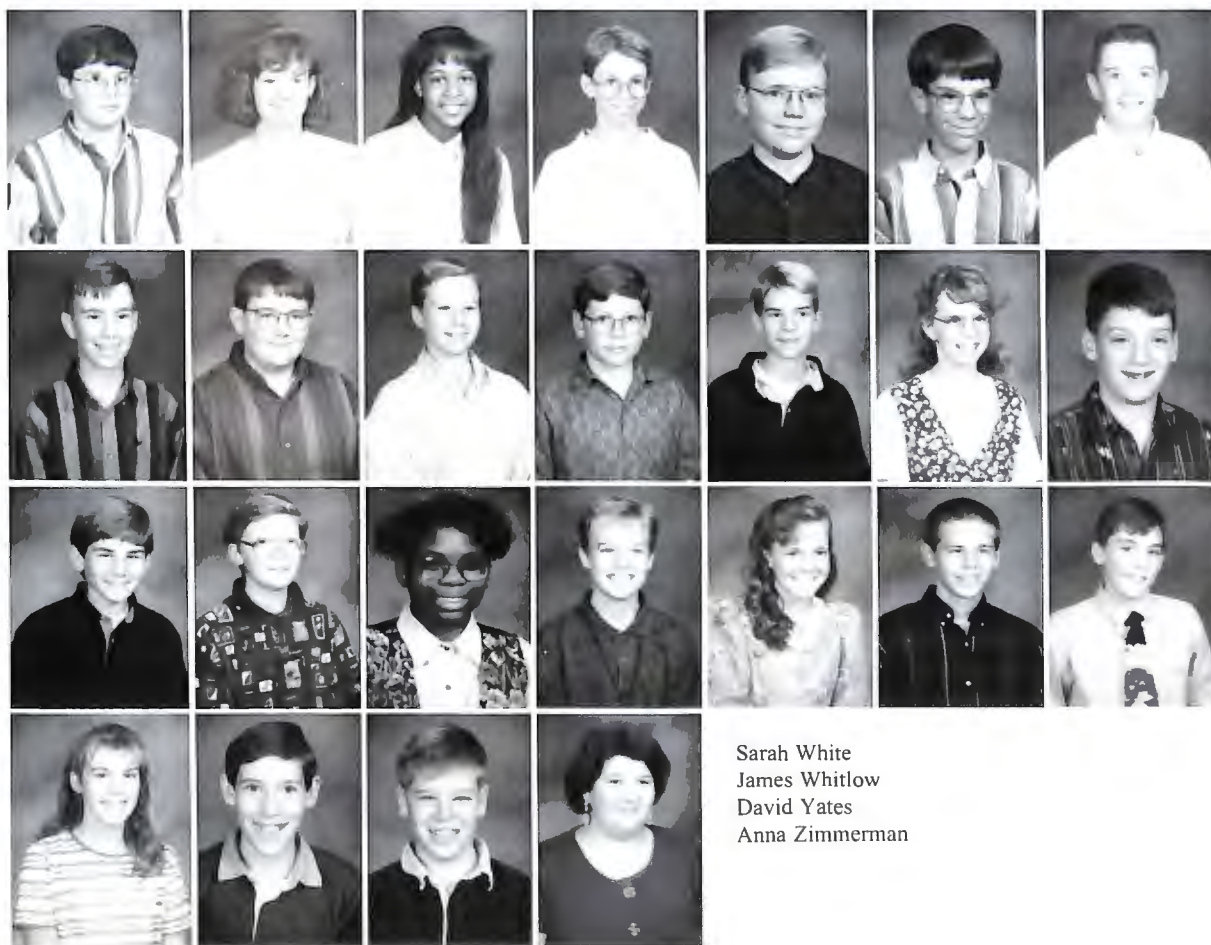
As a child, Greg Smith was adorned with the nickname "Skebo." Greg's grandfather gave him the name, but Greg reports that he has no idea how his grandfather thought of it.

People often have nicknames that are shortened versions of their own names,

frequently because they don't like their original name or because it is difficult to pronounce. Even royalty is included in the act. Princess Diana is referred to as Princess Di.

Sylvia Breeding, commonly known as Nikki, received her nickname as a shortened form of her middle name, Nicole. Some adapt their middle name as a convenient nickname.

For those who don't like their given name, a nickname could be a refreshing change. Not everyone particularly cares one way or the other. However, nicknames can be fun. Even if classmates don't share your name, a chance for a little change and personalization is always welcome.



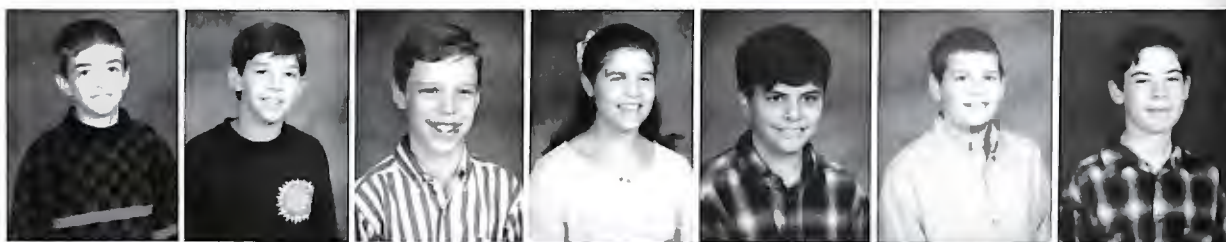
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Alen Naff

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Leslie Shank
Greg Smith

Derick Swartzendruber
B. J. Terry
Dionne Thomas
J. T. Tilley
Kathy Turkington
Chris Ward
Nathan Daniel Warren

Sarah White
James Whitlow
David Yates
Anna Zimmerman

William Breeding
Michael Childress
Jeffrey Clifton
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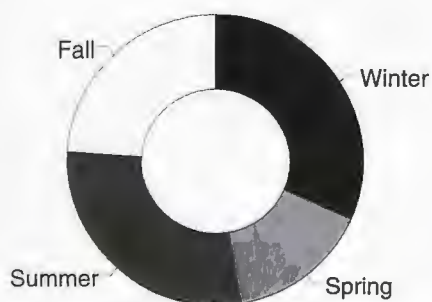


Brent Helton
Cynthia Holley
Kathryn Kidd
Justin Leonard
Darren Naff



SURVEY

*What is your
favorite season?*



Courtney Waldron gave this animal some special attention during a field trip to the American Museum of Frontier Culture. She was definitely not horsing around.

Josh DeLong and Jacob Street befriended this 1500's English couple. Fall of 1994 was the first time that the sixth grade visited this museum.





Jeremy Naff
Donna Oliver
Whitney Osborne
Amanda Poch
Holly Quesenberry
Christina Rexrode
Leslie Reynolds

Kasey Richardson
Promise Roberson
Hannah Sadler
Aaron Shelton
Christin Smart
Jacob Street
Tiffany Tankersley

Courtney Waldron
Joshua Wang
Gregary Webb
Lacey Wiseman

SEASONS FOR EVERYTHING

Spring, summer, fall and winter: four different times of the year that beautifully compliment each other. There is a season perfect for every activity a sixth grader would want to do.

Brilliantly colored leaves and tall, gorgeous mountains, beautiful sunsets painting the sky, a temperature that is just right, this is the season of fall. Roger Graves enjoys doing yard work. You can find him and his friends playing in leaf piles, kicking soccer balls or being with family at Thanksgiving.

Brrrrr! Time to bundle up. This class likes to play in the beautiful white snow blanket covering the ground. Some activities they do in this wonderful blanket are sledding, snowball fighting, snow fort and snowman building, walking and sleigh riding. Some enjoy staying out of the cold and curling up with a good book. Winter also contains Christmas, a special time in which we

get with our families and, most importantly, celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Smell the freshness in the air--see the flowers blooming--hear the birds chirping. It is spring, a season of new beginnings. Gardening, climbing up the Peaks of Otter and just being outside enjoying the warmth after winter is what you will find the sixth graders doing. Who could forget the beginning of spring break!

School is finally finished. Now you can sleep. Summer has arrived! In this season you will find the class of 2001 enjoying a well-deserved break from the school work that occupies the other three seasons. They enjoy cooling off in a refreshing swimming pool, golfing, playing Nintendo or taking vacations. Summer's heat makes it a great season for many activities...or none at all.

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven... (Ecclesiastes 3:1)

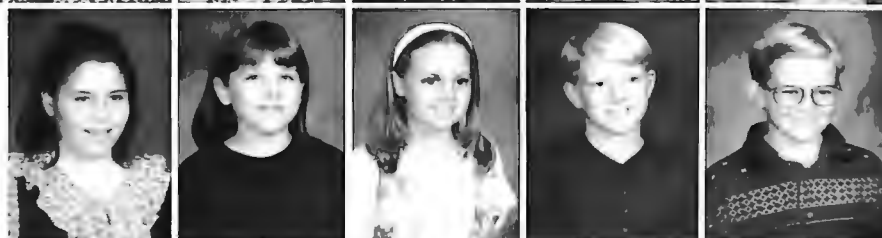
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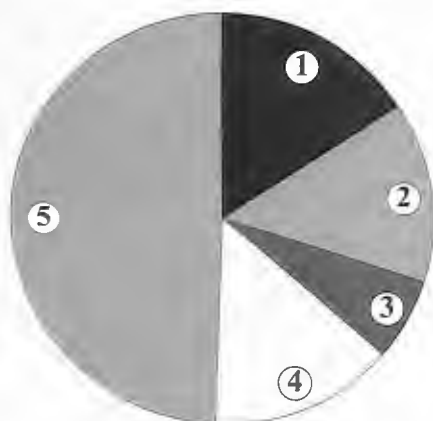


Cherie Hall
Rebekah Halsey
Chastity Hartberger
Zac Hellkamp
Michael Hightower



SURVEY

*What do you do
in your spare time?*



- 1 Soccer
- 2 Basketball
- 3 Baseball
- 4 Football
- 5 Other



Alan Canode demonstrates a karate move he has just learned. Alan has been taking lessons for three months. His white belt reflects his beginner status.

Zac Hellkamp dribbles the ball and later scores a goal for his Roanoke Star team. Zac has played soccer for Roanoke Star for seven years.





Amanda Karnes
Marti Mabrey
Justin Malpass
Tisha Moats
Megan Motley
Joshua Post
Sarah Pugh

Ashley Rorrer
Justin Rossbacher
Scott Russell
Adam Speck
David Stenberg
Jeremy Stewart
Melody Terry

Jonathan Woods
Phillip Wright
Brittney Zimmerman
Chris Zimmerman
Matthew Zimmerman

WHAT TO DO?

Watch out, Eagle sports teams! There are fifth grade students on the rise! Many of the fifth graders enjoy playing sports during their spare time.

They enjoy playing soccer, basketball, baseball, football, and softball. Some of these kids are looking forward to playing on Eagle teams when they are old enough. Right now the fifth graders enjoy playing on rec club teams or just starting up a game in their neighborhood. At school during recess the boys start up games of soccer or football and many times the girls join

in. One of the fifth grade boys, Zac Hellkamp, plays on a soccer team during his spare time. Another activity enjoyed by Chris Zimmerman and Marti Mabrey is gymnastics. Three of the fifth graders take karate lessons.

Along with sports, many of the girls enjoy less athletic activities. Some of them participate in Elementary Singers, traveling and singing at various times, and play a wide variety of musical instruments. Most of the fifth grade class are very sports-minded. They enjoy competing and doing their best in whatever they do.



PART OF THE FAMILY

As you grow older you realize how important friends are. When you're first starting out in school there are many things to remember, but the thought that enters most of our minds is whether anyone will like us for who we are.

As time goes by we pick the special people, the friends that mean the most to us. These are the ones we will call our best friends. If we choose well, our best friends will be there through all the

trials and tribulations of our lifetime, sharing in both the good and the bad times.

With all the education you receive, the years when you have the most fun is definitely elementary school. In these first six years you participate in everything from kickball to class birthday parties, and your friends will be there with you the whole time.

Respect your friends, for one day you will see them as a part of your family you never knew you had.



Jonathan Assaid
Molly Bailey
Jenna Bergum
Stephen Bessette
Garret Bianco
Crystal Bridges

Deidre Brown
Aynsley Burrows
Terisa Chocklett
Nathan Davis
Angela Delong
Kristin Denison



Teena Edwards
Kristen Ferrell
Julie Fullmer
Ashley Gardner
Somer Griffin



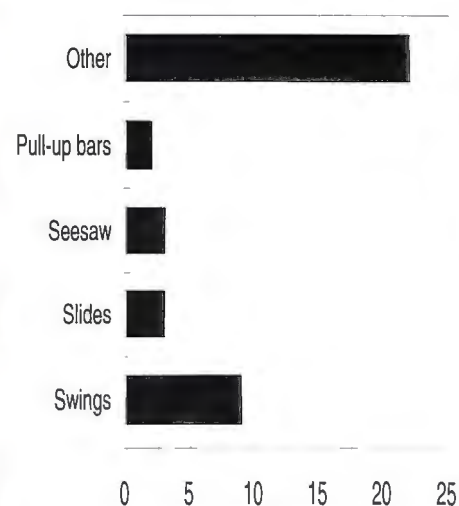
Two good friends, Molly Bailey and Jessica Herrera practice their version of a chorus line in the middle of the excitement known as fourth grade. One certainly wouldn't accuse these two of being camera shy.

Terisa Chocklett shares her cookies with Ashlee Martin and Kristin Denison at the Christmas party. Special celebrations for Christmas are held in all of the classes.



SUROEY

What is your favorite playground toy?



Lauren Hall
Megan Hart
Luke Hellkamp
Katey Helms
Jessica Herrera
Joshua Jennings

Ashlee Martin
Thomas McCutcheon
Matthew Montgomery
Jason Mundy
Barret Osborne
Devon Rood

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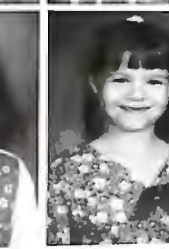
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Katie Farmer
Ryan Flack
Norman Frink



Jonathan Gibson
Joel Ginter
Nola Gregory
Ashley Hall
Amber Handy
Chad Hasson



LET'S CELEBRATE

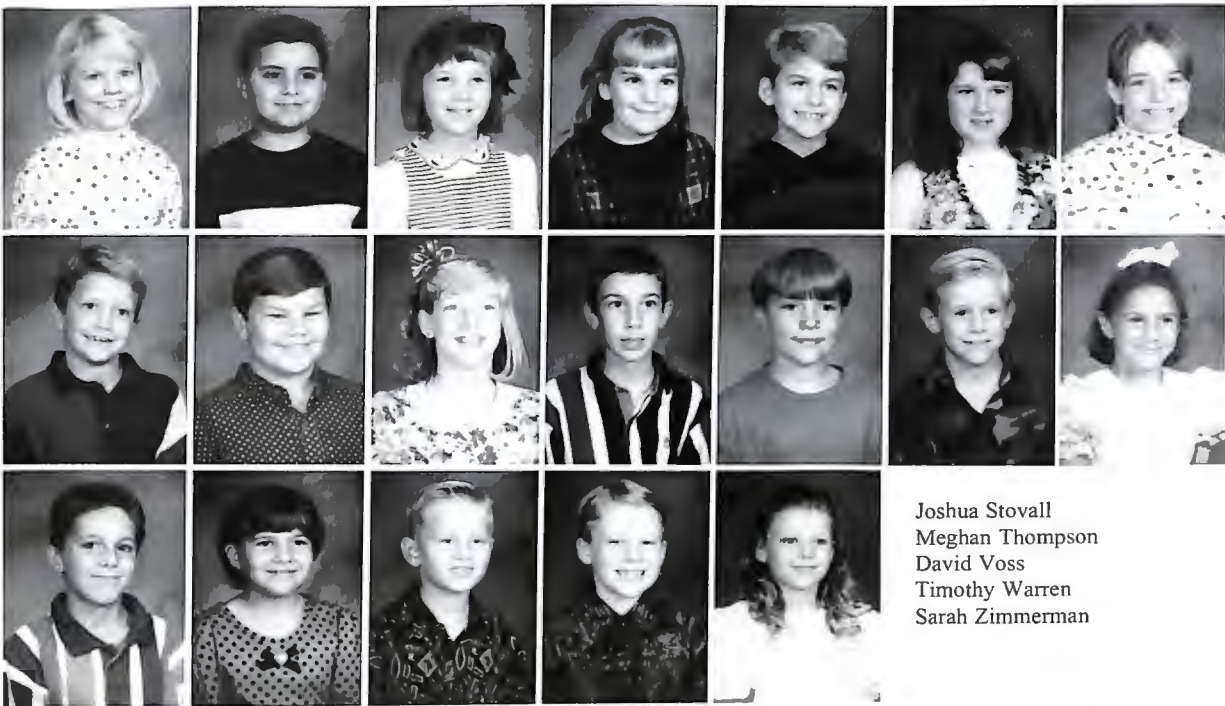
Birthdays are an exciting part of every youngster's life. They are anticipated and planned for many weeks in advance as the child looks forward to becoming a year older and getting the privileges that being "bigger" brings with it. Things such as staying up later and gaining more "grown up" responsibilities are anticipated greatly. They also enjoy eating ice cream and birthday cake, and tearing into the presents! For most children, this is the best thing about birthdays. The customary birthday spanking is a tradition in many families as the child gets a spanking for each year, and "one to grow on."

During school, the birthday person reads a paper they have prepared which includes information such as famous people born on their birthday and events in history that happened on their birthday. After the paper is read, the

class presents birthday cards which they have made to the person and the class sings "Cumpleanos Feliz" ("Happy Birthday" in Spanish). Class parties allow the entire class to join in the celebration of this special day. Many students choose to bring in treats such as cookies or cupcakes for their classmates. Celebrating with a party is common among this age group. Sleepovers and parties with friends and family are especially popular. These often include such things as swimming, roller skating, bowling, or eating out.

Many times the most memorable birthdays are those that are spent doing something other than the normal, everyday activities. Birthdays are a special time when a youngster can celebrate their accomplishments of the past year, and look ahead to the many exciting adventures awaiting them as they continue to grow.





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 Gary Jenkins, Jr.
 Melisa King
 Elizabeth Livermon
 Andy Martin
 Brittany Martin
 Cara Motes

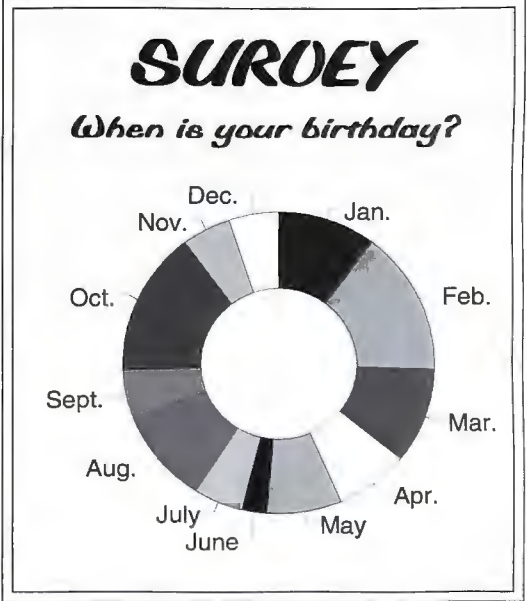
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Joshua Stovall
 Meghan Thompson
 David Voss
 Timothy Warren
 Sarah Zimmerman



Deborah Angove prepares to eat her cookie as Evan Sadler looks on. The "birthday person" has a balloon on their desk to celebrate the special day.

Ryan Flack, Salina Speck, Joel Ginter, Cara Motes, and Evan Sadler munch on cookies during a birthday celebration at school. Class parties are an opportunity for classmates to celebrate the birthday of a friend.



Michael Baratta
Sara Bradley
Christopher Carter
Andrew Craig
Lauren Crisp
Stephen Davidson



Donnie Doolittle
Levi Duff
Kendra Fuller
Molly Garrett
Thomas Harder
Aaron Hendrick



John Hawkins
Bryan Hill
Jessica Hubach
Kimberly Janney
Sean Jones



FURRY FRIENDS

When one thinks of pets, usually dogs, cats, and birds come to mind, but many of the second graders think of unusual and different animals. Some of the students live on farms, so they think of horses and cows. Sean Jones enjoys having a hedgehog around and Levi Duff even has llamas. Some of the second graders have hamsters, guinea pigs, rabbits, and fish. One student, Michael Baratta, is brave enough to have a pet snake.

These second graders enjoy having pets. They play with them when they

get home from school and also at other times when they have time. Many times the pets cheer up the students when they are sad or upset. During the winter, the second graders enjoy playing in the snow with their pets, or cuddling up to them when they are cold.

Many of the second graders have to help take care of their pets. They have to feed, walk, and clean up after them. This is very good for the students and parents appreciate it because their children are learning responsibility while they are having fun.





Matthew King
Tamara Lowe
Whitney Martin
Travis McCutcheon
Bradley Moody
Jonathan Murrill

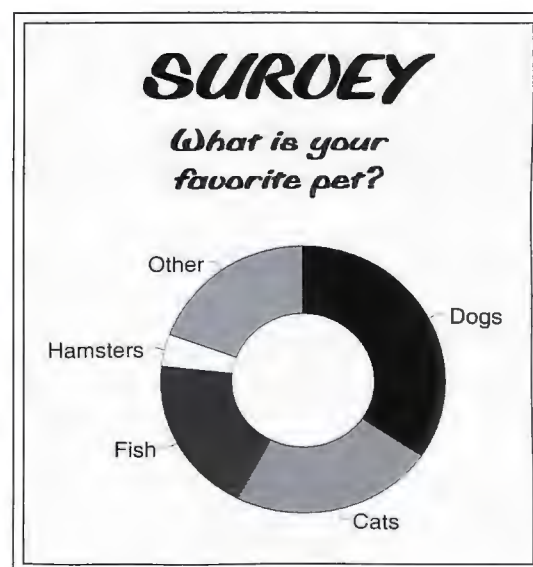
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Joey Pierce
McKenzie Poindexter
Amy Post
Priscilla Rakes
Meagan Reid

Jessica Snyder
Joey Spencer
Brett Stamper
Alicia Talley



Jessica Hubach named her cat Peanut because this was the same name her friend had named a pony. When asked if she took care of the cat, Jessica said Allison, her sister, did that.

Priscilla Rakes sits with her dog Katie. Katie came to live at the Rakeses' house when Priscilla was six years old and in first grade.



Chasity Barger
Benjamin Baxley
Matthew Bergum
Michell Bowie
Brent Bowman
Kaylah Bryant
Ashley Cook



Sarah Crizer
Kimberlea DeLong
Candace Dilcher
Kari Farmer
Trae Ferrell
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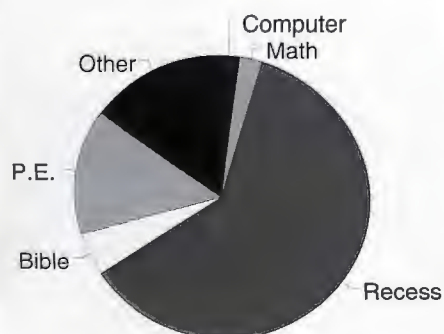


Ryan Hartman
Amber Hasson
Nathan Hayes
Betsy Helms
Joshua Herrera
Katelyn Holt
Maria King



SURVEY

*What is your favorite
in-school activity?*



Candace Dilcher, Brandon Grigsby, and Amber Hasson bow their heads as Josh Spencer leads the class in prayer.

Faith Griffin manipulates the keyboard as Bradley Turner watches in stunned amazement. First graders have a variety of educational games to choose from for their computer time.





Maria King
James Lawrence
Laura Katherine Lucas
Angela Martin
Wesley McKee
Jarrod Meador
Nicci Moats

Philip Motes
Erik Olund
Joel Quesenberry
Bryan Ratliff
Rebeca Sanburn
Justin Smart
Taylor Smith

Joshua Spencer
Samantha Stovall
Chelsea Thomas
Molly Thomas
Bradley Turner
Zachary Zimmerman

GREAT EXPECTATIONS

First Grade..crafts, parties, and the pledge of allegiance? Yes, first grade is all of the above. But these young people will be the leaders of tomorrow. Their diversified and varied interests cover a wide scope of potential careers and fields.

When asked what their favorite school activity was, there was the predictable and time honored answer of, "recess!" However they also responded with answers like computer, math, and learning about the Bible.

Easily you could make some interesting speculation as to what they will become when they are "grown up". Perhaps one of these kids will become the next Bill Gates and sell software to

the known world. Or even better, one could become the next Mr. Keller. One of them could become a world known mathematician who writes books with titles such as "Calculus Made Easy" or possibly "Physics for the Middle School Student." The first grader who answered that the thing they enjoyed most was learning about God, could become a theologian, a pastor, or a teacher. Maybe a person in constant search of truth and debate, such as Mr. Foley?

Their education has just begun, although in many ways it lasts a lifetime. Every one of these young people has the potential for greatness. With the teachers they have as well as the school, they are off to a very good start.



PLAYTIME MEMORIES

Playtime is a time which every child looks forward to. As the students go through class reciting the alphabet and learning to count, every minute is one closer to recess.

All the boys and girls get into a single-file line and anxiously wait to head to the playground. As they get to the gate, they each race to their favorite piece of equipment. Some dash for the

swings, others for the slide, while some head for the monkey bars. A few begin to play soccer, football, and basketball.

Recess, whether on the playground or blacktop, or in the classroom on cold and rainy days, is a time of rest from schoolwork and a time of playtime together. Mrs. Crutchfield has raised her hand, so it is time to go in. Another playtime memory has been made!



Beth Ann Austin
Katie Blackburn
Katie Blusher
Katie Booth
Brittany Burrows
James Campbell, III

Jamie Carty
Daniel Colston
Paul Connell
Micah Crizer
Stephen Denison
Taylor Doolittle

Chase Eade
Kelsea Gunter
Leah Hall
Patrick Harder
Alex Henderson
Dustin Hendrick





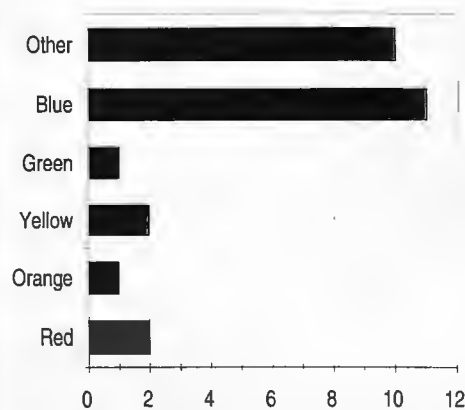
Jacob Jackson and Taylor Doolittle play on the glider during recess. Kindergartners enjoy exploring the many different types of playground equipment.

Katie Blusher watches Micah Crizer eagerly climb up the slide. Going up the slide backwards is a challenging variation of the usual method.



SURVEY

What is your favorite color?



Christopher Hobson
Allison Hubach
Benjamin Jackson
Jacob Jackson
George Michael Kalafut
Bradley Kessler

Caitlin Lilley
Christopher Long
Aaron Poch
Kristen Price
Lauren Reid
Jason Rothe

Eric Schools
Aaron Shank
Eli Tilley
Cecilia Wimmer
McCall Wiseman

Mrs. Shelton, Middle School Principal, sits with eighth grader Robbie Spencer as he converses with her about his day at school. Mrs. Shelton often takes time out to talk with her students.



As usual, Mrs. Brown, Main Office Secretary, is busy at work making phone calls. In the background, some students are bringing Mr. Brown cookies from a birthday party.

Mr. Brown addresses the elementary students in chapel. He feels that chapel is a great time for the students to gather for worship on a regular basis.



Dr. Robert L. Alderman: B.S. University of South Carolina; M.Div. Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary; D.Min. Trinity Evangelical Divinity School; D.Div. Hindustan Bible College (Honorary); Senior Pastor

Rev. Rick Brown: B.A. Virginia Tech; M.S. Radford University; Associate Pastor for School Ministries

Rev. A. C. Hollins, Jr.: Th.B. Piedmont Bible College; Assistant High School Principal

Mrs. Janice Shelton: B.A. Virginia Tech; M.S. Radford University; Middle School Principal; English



HEAD OF THE CROWD



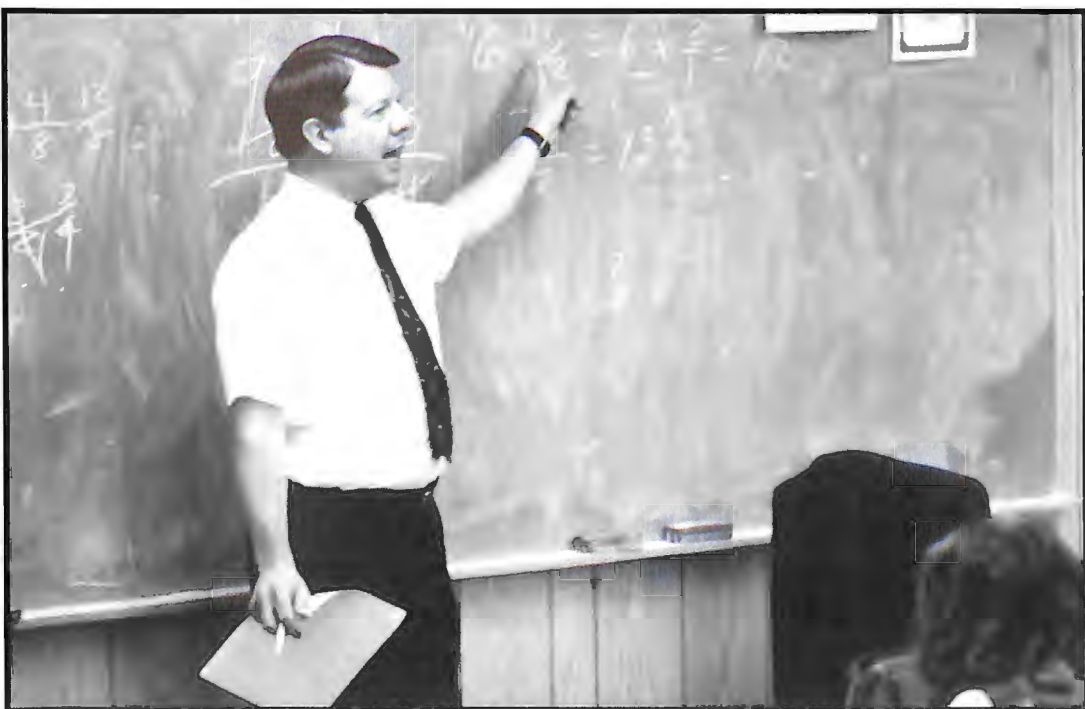
The administrative staff at Roanoke Valley Christian School is extremely unique. Some people do not realize how much work is put forth by them since many of their responsibilities are carried out behind the scenes. While students are in class, the administration is hard at work completing their daily tasks. There are always calls to be made, students and teachers to help, appointments to schedule, and many other important things to be done.

Mr. Rick Brown, Elementary Principal and Associate Pastor for School Ministries, has many daily responsibilities which include conferences, phone calls, and errands to run. Mr. Hollins, Assistant High School Principal, not only has principal duties, but also teaches a pre-algebra class. Mrs. Shelton, Middle School Principal, oversees the daily workings there. She is an asset to students and teachers alike. We are also blessed by the leadership of Dr. Robert Alderman. Even though Pastor Alderman has much church work, he dedicates a lot of time to the improvement and running of the school.

Our administrators are excellent leaders and examples for each of us to pattern our lives after. Their testimony and attitude show how much they truly care about the faculty and students alike. They are open to suggestions that may make things better around the school and are willing to make changes when they are needed.

The four administrators at RVCS are not here just because it is their job. They view it as a ministry for the Lord in an effort to help train students in the wisdom of God and to provide them with a Christian basis for their lives. The mission of RVCS is "to serve as partners with Christian parents as they obey the command of God to train their children in truth." The administration takes this mission seriously and devotes their time to the fulfillment of it. A part of this commitment involves being a friend to both students and faculty. Whenever one has a problem or simply needs to talk, they are ready and willing to listen, willing to devote all the time necessary to help find solutions to problems.

Not only is Mr. Hollins the Assistant High School Principal, he also teaches a math class. Mr. Hollins contributes his time to teach students pre-algebra.



Mrs. Donna Bergum: B.S. University of Wisconsin; School Nurse
Mrs. Kathy Bonham: School Secretary
Mrs. Carol Brown: B.S. Piedmont Bible College; Third Grade
Mrs. Elaine Brown: Secretary/Receptionist



Mrs. Judy Chilton: B.S. Roanoke College; Comp., Yrbk.
Mr. Scott Colston: B.A. Appalachian State University; M.A. Columbia Biblical Seminary; Social Studies
Rev. William Coupe: B.S. Lebanon Valley College; B.A. Appalachian Bible College; Math, Bible, Science
Mrs. Marjorie Crutchfield: B.A. Wheaton College; Kindergarten

Mr. James Farmer: B.S. Liberty University; Athletic Director, Algebra, Health/P.E.
Miss Joyce Flora: Th.G. Tennessee Temple Bible School; B.S. James Madison University; Librarian
Rev. Thomas Foley: B.S. Liberty University; M.A. Liberty Baptist Theological Seminary; Bible, Consumer Math

MORE THAN TEACHING

At RVCS, the faculty members are more than just teachers. The students can go to them when they need advice and help with problems in their life. The teachers act like the students' counselors in that they help them with their homework when they don't understand it or if they just need to talk. Teachers are somewhat like our parents away from home. The students know that if they need anything the teachers will be there for them no matter what. The students look up to the teachers and know they can use them to pattern their lives after because teachers set a Godly example for them.

But outside school and during the summer our teachers have totally different lives. During the summer Mrs. Park spends time with her husband and family. She also spends time with the J.V. cheerleaders at practices and fund raisers preparing for camp. Mr. Suhr likes to spend his free time outdoors, occasionally leading groups of teenagers

on hiking trips to New Hampshire and Colorado. Many of the teachers like to stay at home and relax. Mrs. Smoot and Mrs. Futrell spend their summer getting together with friends or reclining at the pool. Some teachers do other jobs during the summer. Mr. Colston and Mr. Coupe spend a big part of their summer break painting houses and other buildings. Some teachers enjoy traveling. During spring break Mr. Colston accompanies a group of high school students to Europe. They use this time to tour various European countries but also to reach others with the Gospel. Señora Long takes Spanish students to different Spanish-speaking countries so that they can communicate the Gospel to the people by word and deed.

Love and concern for both each other and the students helps the RVCS faculty function well as a unified team. Without the hard work and dedication of these extraordinary educators, RVCS would not be where it is today.





Mrs. Patricia Fraser: B.S. Bryan College; Second Grade
Mr. John Furrow: B.S. Philadelphia College of Bible; Bible, Band, Speech/Drama, Ensemble
Mrs. Terrie Futrell: B.A. Tennessee Temple University; B.S. Tennessee Temple University; English
Mr. Joe Grooten: B.S., M.S. Pensacola Christian College; English



Mrs. Marsha Haines: High School Secretary
Mrs. Debbie Hill: B.S. Bryan College; Fourth Grade
Rev. Maynard Keller, Jr.: B.A., M.A. Bob Jones University; Bible, Introduction to Computers
Mr. John Law: B.A. Cedarville College; Science, Math



Miss Ruth Law: B.S. Piedmont Bible College; Social Studies
Mrs. Dianne Lawrence: B.S. Longwood College; Health/P.E., Study Hall
Miss Roxanne Lawson: B.S. Radford College; M.S. Radford University; Fifth Grade



As Mr. Furrow eats and Mr. Foley watches the varsity soccer game, Sandy Carroll and Cindy Jones show their smile to the camera. Most of the teachers enjoy watching their students play in sports games because it gives them a chance to unwind and bond with their students.

Mrs. Smoot, with her joyful attitude, attempts to maintain the fifth grade students' attention after coming in from recess. Getting back to math class is often difficult after enjoying the beautiful spring weather.

Mr. Suhr and Señora Long sit in the faculty work room during their free period. Teachers generally use this time to relax or to catch up on work that needs to be done.

Mrs. Halsey makes one of her frequent stops at the main school office to deliver paychecks. Paydays are the most anticipated days of the month for faculty and staff.



Two ladies of the cafeteria staff, Mrs. Rakes and Mrs. Sparks, display their beautiful smiles for the camera. The cafeteria staff provides a valuable service to the school on a daily basis.

Mr. Glen Harvey of the Maintenance Staff is doing work on a lawn mower. Mr. Harvey can be seen all over the campus helping the school to run more smoothly.



Mrs. Rhoda Long: B.A. Mary Baldwin College; Spanish
Miss Dana McDaniel: B.S. Bridgewater College; Health/P.E.
Mrs. Regina Maness: B.S. Piedmont Bible College; Second Grade
Mrs. Judy Meador: B.S. Liberty Baptist College;
Elementary Music/Middle School Choir
Mrs. Donna Osborne: B.S. Western Carolina University;
Part Time/Educational Therapist

Mrs. Sandy Palmieri: B.S. Liberty University; First Grade
Mrs. Kimberly Park: B.S. Liberty University; Sixth Grade
Mr. Nathan Park: B.S. Liberty University; Health/P.E., Bible
Mrs. Sandy Perkinson: B.S. Radford University;
Elementary Resource
Mrs. Judy Primo: B.S. Tennessee Temple University;
Fourth Grade



OUT OF THE SPOTLIGHT

The culinary and maintenance staff at Roanoke Valley Christian Schools are dedicated. They truly take to heart the school verse that states, "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength." (Isaiah 40:31)

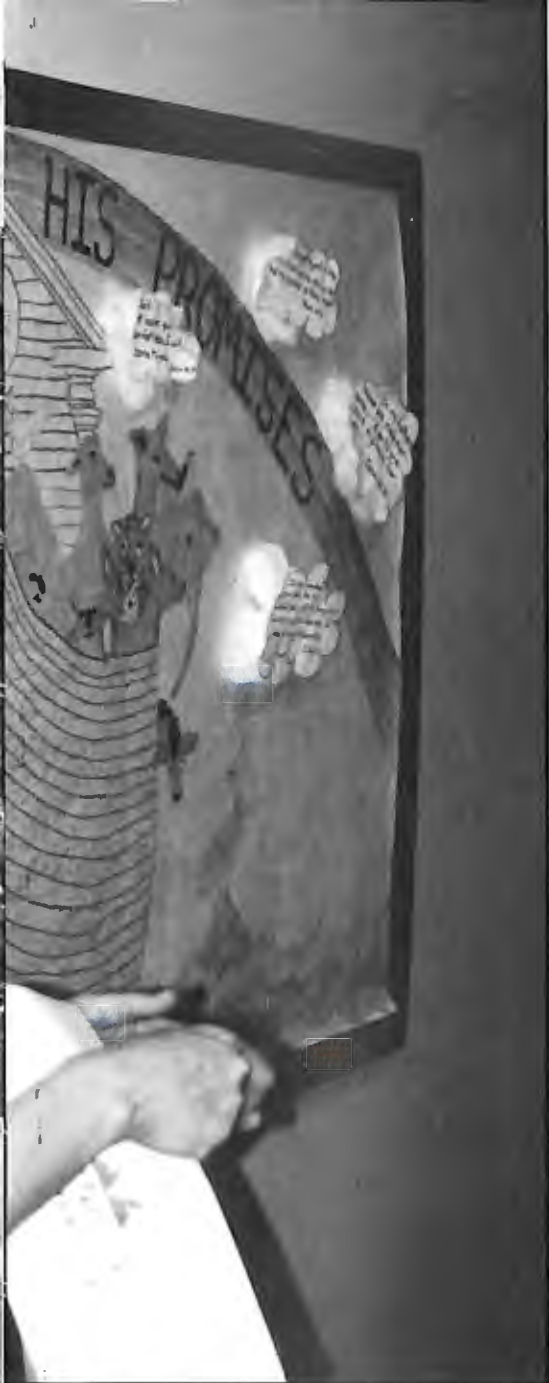
The kitchen staff prepares hot meals for students and faculty at lunch, and serve many snacks to the day care children as well. The staff begins this tedious chore at midmorning, and continues working until late afternoon. It is not only the preparation of meals, but also the upkeep of names, money and items purchased. Mrs. Rakes, Head Food Supervisor, continues to work in the kitchen because she enjoys seeing all of the students' smiling faces. Not one to be confined in a small area with the accounting books all day, she also enjoys the opportunity to converse with students and faculty about the activities of the day.

The maintenance staff does numerous things to keep the grounds clean and in proper condition

throughout the year. Parking lots and sidewalks are plowed during the snowy winter months, providing easy movement across campus. During the warmer months, the maintenance staff keeps the school grounds looking beautiful. The willingness of these men to contribute to our school makes our campus truly beautiful.

Susan Halsey, the Administrative Assistant for Accounting, also has much to do. She handles the financial aspect of Roanoke Valley Christian Schools. This involves the handling of the students' tuition and distribution of paychecks to the faculty and staff. Mrs. Halsey's behind-the-scenes work is essential to the operation of our school.

When people think of a school, they picture students and teachers in a classroom situation. However, without the indispensable aid of these dedicated workers, RVCS would not run so smoothly. These unsung heroes deserve all of the recognition that we can give them. Thank you!!!



Mrs. Darlene Smoot: B.S. Longwood College; Fifth Grade
Mrs. Eva Somers: A.B. Asbury College; Third Grade
Mrs. Beverly Suhr: B.S. Grove City College; Sixth Grade
Mr. Jeff Suhr: B.S. Grove City College, M.S. University of New Hampshire; Math
Mrs. Cathy Tankersley: B.S. Arkansas State University; Elementary Librarian

Miss Marian Toms: B.R.E. Piedmont Bible College; First Grade
Mrs. Donna Updike: B.S. Longwood College; Biology, Science
Mrs. Delores Wegner: B.S. Calvary Bible College; Math, English, Newspaper
Mrs. Cheryl Whitfield: Art Major, Hollins College; Elementary Art
Mrs. Janet Wimmer: B.A. University of Richmond; Art

Whether it be sounding out those first few words in a book, learning the multiplication tables, coloring and labeling maps, or writing research papers, students at RVCS continually find themselves busy on any number of school-related assignments. Using their time during class diligently and working hard outside of school, students complete their work on time and achieve excellence in their studies. Often this requires spending extra time studying or working towards the completion of a project, but RVCS students realize that this additional effort is worth their while. They understand that the knowledge they are gaining will benefit them not only as they take tests and strive to do well academically, but also in the future, long after report cards are issued and even after the diploma is in their hand. Although the ultimate goal of most students is to make it to graduation, they understand that along the way they must remain focused in order to attain their goal. This focus pushes students on as they face...

The Unseen Challenge





Nicci Moats, Faith Griffin and Kari Farmer begin their day by praying following the pledge of allegiance. At RVCS, every class, whether it be kindergarten or seniors recognize the need to seek God throughout each day.

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YEARBOOK MEETING DEADLINES NEWSPAPER

This year the staff of the *Middle School Chronicle* worked diligently to complete layouts, articles and the distribution of the papers. The editors, Aaron Moslow and Nathan Warren, designed the layouts and approved the art work. Each staff member was responsible for writing articles and submitting them on time. Because the first nine weeks was devoted to learning how the paper was published, the staff only published four papers. Thanks for a good year middle schoolers!

Ad sales skyrocketed this year for the yearbook staff. What concerned editors Robin Journell and April Updike were that the staff sold too many ads, meaning that there were not enough pages for ads or layouts that had been planned on the ladder diagram. Worry crossed many minds. Would they have to cut the newly planned color or call patrons and tell them that the staff could not place their ad?

The problem was solved by a fearless, no, fed-up

advisor. Simple as it seemed or did not seem, layouts had to be cut.

The staff was made up of five seniors, four juniors, two sophomores, and one freshman. Much thought was put into the decision of staff members. One has to be devoted, have an ability to write, a quiet mouth, a cheerful disposition, and the humbleness to take on assignments without complaint. Although every staffer did not meet these characteristics all the time, layouts were finished and friendships were developed while working to meet deadlines.

Many thanks to Angela Stover, the only photographer, for the use of her small 35mm camera while the staff camera was being repaired; Jeff Canon, our Jostens representative, who designed this awesome cover; and to Mrs. Chilton for enduring with indecisive editors and for the time spent proofing, cropping, and dealing with the financial aspects of yearbook.

To the class of 1995: Keep your eyes focused.



Jeremy Laughon, a new computer technician, works diligently on a layout. Jeremy's ability to learn quickly was a great asset to the yearbook staff this year.



Imprint '95 staff (back to front, left to right): Ben Ward, Tracy Hodges, Mrs. Chilton (advisor), Ben Thomas, Jonathan Turner, Robin Journell (co-editor), Angela Stover, Lori Smoot, April Updike (co-editor), Amy Baber, Jeremy Laughon. Not pictured: Valerie Davis, Tasha Shelor.



Middle School Chronicle staff members (left to right): Aaron Moslow, Mrs. Wegner (advisor), Nathan Warren, Renee' Dennis, Susie Weiser, Scott Jones, Jessica Rakes, Jana Smoot, Anna Zimmerman, Nikki Breeding, Joe Leonard, Jeff Livermon, Ben Allis, Steven Harrison.



My wonderful editors saved my life this year. I couldn't have made it without them.

*Mrs. Chilton
Advisor*



During the yearbook presentation ceremony co-editor Robin Journell explains the theme of *Imprint '94*. Robin did not completely understand what a task being editor was until the middle of the school year.

Tasha Shelor, Ben Thomas and co-editor April Updike work to finish the second deadline. Cropping of pictures and writing of captions are despised but necessary tasks in completing the yearbook.

The 1995 Pep Band, composed primarily of Symphonic Band members, warms up to play at one of the many basketball games they participated in this year.

What can I say? Under Mr. Furrow's leadership, the band greatly improved and accomplished many of their goals.



“
When I first started band it wasn't a very cool thing, but I'm glad I stayed in because it's now a very prestigious organization, and I know it will have many successes.
Greg Carroll
Senior
 ”



Zack Shiffer and David Davis, pep band members, practice before the start of the game. The pep band adds spirit and excitement to the basketball games.



Melanie Quesenberry, Renee McGuire, Lori Turner, Libby Shiffer, Jodie Vlug, and Jennifer Atkins pose outside their hotel room in Cincinnati. The accommodations were great, and the students enjoyed their stay tremendously.



Dynamic Duo: Daniel Gay and Robert Shelton display their abilities in a heartfelt rendition of "Dij-dij-dijonnaise."



RISE UP AND BUILD

Rise up and build was the motto the Symphonic Band chose for this year. The theme was taken from Nehemiah. Each event the band participated in this year added strength and stability to their talents.

In December the band played in the Christmas concert. The audience enjoyed beautiful selections of music by various well-known composers.

Also in December, several students went to All-District Band tryouts at a local high school. Those from Symphonic Band who made All-Districts were Lori Turner, Renee McGuire, Jennifer Angove, Marvin Haines, and Derek McKinney. These students had fun and were challenged as they participated in the concert in February. In March the Symphonic Band went to a local festival. This festival was especially important to Mr. Furrow, as one of the judges was his high school band director. The band was

judged in the areas of sight-reading and performance. Their goal was a rating of superior, which was the highest possible score. The band met all of these goals.

May 4-7 was the band's trip to Cincinnati. Their goal musically was to maintain a superior. Their goal spiritually was distribute four hundred tracts and verbally witness to forty people. The group placed second in their division with an excellent rating, so their musical goal was not met. But the most important goal- four hundred tracts and forty people- was met and exceeded.

The concert in May, with the theme "The Great Adventure" was exciting and full of fun musical selections.

The Symphonic Band strived for excellence musically as well as spiritually throughout the year. Their desire was to proclaim Christ through their music and through their lives, and to build a legacy of excellence that is worthy of following.

CONCERT TRAINING MUSICIANS BEGINNER

The young students involved in the band program have chosen to respond to the calling of Psalms 100:1 which says, *"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord . . ."* Initially there may be more noise involved than melodious sound, but as Mr. Furrow works with the students, they begin to develop a harmonious chorus.

The Concert Band and Beginner Band are composed of RVCS middle school students. These are students who have an interest in music and decide to make it a reality by choosing a particular instrument and taking lessons. These kinds of characteristics are possessed by those participating in the Beginner Band. Throughout the year the beginners learn how to read music, play clear notes, and use proper breathing techniques. These basics are vital to the prosperity of their musical career.

The Concert Band is comprised of those students who enjoyed learning the basics and desired to continue with their musical abilities. Concert Band is an intermediate band level in which students practice and perform in concerts, both for performance and for competition. This year's group was an extraordinary group of musically inclined students. They were given the opportunity to travel to Richmond, Virginia for competition. Because of their hard work, they received an excellent rating and were grand champions of the competition for the second consecutive year.

Both bands attribute their success to the director, Mr. Furrow. With his extreme devotion, knowledge, and love for the students, the music department has grown much and achieved many successes.

Jessica Gilbert sounds the pitch for the other band members to tune their instruments. Learning to blend to the sounds of other instruments is the key to intonation.





Beginner Band member David Bdearing strives to play the oboe, a double-reeded instrument. The addition of oboe players this year added a new sound to the bands.

Trumpets are a popular instrument for many new band members. Justin Leonard and Jeffrey Clifton seek to become competent players in order to move up to Concert Band.



President Lauren McKee plays her trumpet intensely while Karen Chilton does her best to follow Mr. Furrow's instructions to "blow out her guts." This is Mr. Furrow's graphic way of asking for a strong bass sound.

Flautists Naomi Simmons, Kathy Turkington, Joanna Foley and Dinisha Brown follow the director carefully. The Concert Band performed at the Christmas program for RVCS parents and friends.

“
I had to go up
to the podium twice
to receive trophies
in Richmond.
We were all
celebrating
It was kinda fun.
Lauren McKee
President
”

Valerie Terry sits with Mary Childress as she warms up on the piano. Several students had the opportunity to play the piano before chapel throughout the year.

Eternal praise members Rebekah Moulton, J. R. Clarke, Noelle Perkinson, Melanie Quesenberry and Amy Ford sing for the high school students in chapel. They sang for different groups on several occasions to prepare for competition in Cincinnati.

“

*The trip
to Cincinnati
was very
enlightening.
It was an
eye-opener.*

*Rhonda Wright
Senior*

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The faces of several members of the elementary singers show anticipation while others show happiness as they await the time for their performance to begin. On many occasions the elementary singers were asked to sing at various churches around the valley.

Mr. Brown watches fourth grader Kristin Denison as she sings a solo. The elementary singers were privileged to perform for several churches in Roanoke.





VOCAL SINGING PRAISES MUSIC

There is an abundance of musical talent at our school. There are three choirs at RVCS which allow almost anyone in the school to sing. Also, at the elementary level, each grade participates in music classes.

The Elementary Singers consisted of 29 fourth and fifth graders. Every Wednesday morning these students gathered together to practice for various performances.

The Elementary Singers performed in elementary chapel at Shenandoah Baptist Church, and at several other churches around Roanoke. These students also performed in the Christmas and Spring Concerts.

The Middle School Choir had 18 members who performed at various churches as well as in the spring

concert. These students put in a tremendous amount of work as they practiced for performances and furthered their education in music.

Eternal Praise, the high school ensemble, focused on learning voice techniques and fine musical selections. Eternal Praise had 13 members who greatly enjoyed ministering in chapel and lifting their voices to give glory to God.

This year Eternal Praise was privileged to travel with the high school band to Cincinnati, Ohio. While there, they performed in a competition and received a second place rating. To ease their minds about competition, and relax, the group distributed tracts and enjoyed a day at King's Island Amusement Park.



Members of the middle school choir warm up as they prepare to sing for the Christmas Program. The program was attended by parents, families, and friends.

ART PERFORMANCE

Both art and speech and drama require some level of talent from the students. Some students possess more than others, but with teachers like Mr. Furrow and Mrs. Wimmer, the students found that their talent was brought to full light and given approval.

Art classes were more disciplined than in past years. Many of the students were second-year students, relying on skill and techniques learned in their previous study. They developed this skill more fully over the course of the year. Style in art varied from pen-and-ink to acrylic and watercolor painting, and also included the more favored pottery.

The annual school-wide art show was a great success. The students' work was displayed throughout the secondary and elementary buildings, bring-ing a brighter atmosphere to the hallways. Many students were rewarded for their diligence and hard work this

year. One student's work stood out among the rest. Angela Primo was awarded Best in Show for her montage of pottery and the beautiful colored pencil drawing of her great-grandfather in his younger years.

Speech and Drama is not the typical class. Composed entirely of seniors, students learn techniques of speech which can be utilized each day. Seniors were required to give speeches, using the techniques learned, such as persuasive, demonstration and expressive reading speeches.

During the second semester the class performed the Speech and Drama Thing. This was a great success. Many hours went into perfecting the performance, although Mr. Furrow would probably disagree on the performance. The skits, some funny, some serious, taught valuable lessons about the Christian life. It was greatly enjoyed by both the audience and the performers, producing tears and laughter, as a good performance does.



Catherine Kistner meticulously works on an acrylic painting. Catherine's hard work earned her a blue ribbon in the spring art show.



Rebekah Moulton assists a bewildered Paul Ferris in applying his foundation. A willing volunteer for Rebekah's demonstration speech on makeovers, Paul realized what a tedious task it is for women to apply their make-up.

Amanda Taylor and Richard Booth struggle to keep their composure in their skit about forgetfulness in Christian behavior. The skit was performed perfectly on the night of the "Speech & Drama Thing."



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Drawing a picture of my grandfather was meaningful because it was someone special, not just another photograph.

*Angela Primo
Junior*

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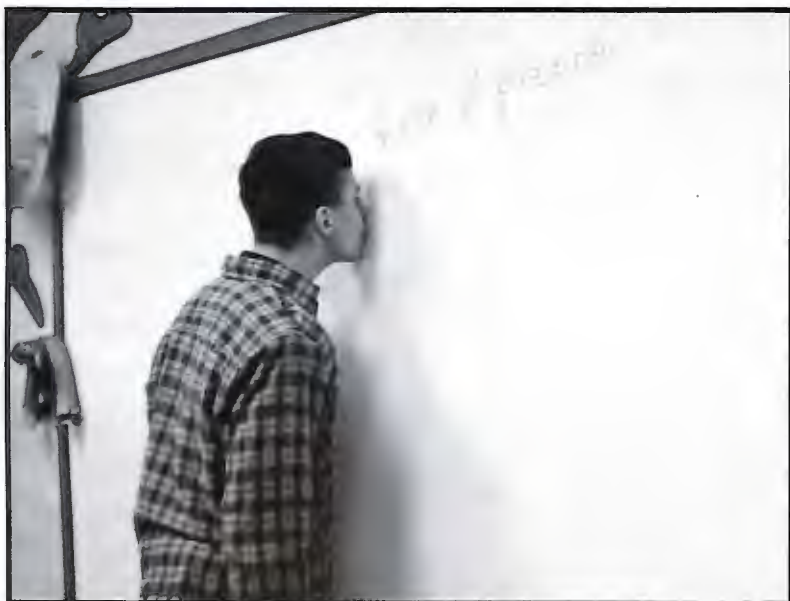


Mrs. Wimmer instructs Sandy Carroll over the fine lines of Sandy's watercolor painting. Mrs. Wimmer teaches many students the techniques of drawing and painting each year.

Miriam Long complains about the tracts Christians leave for tips instead of a more "tangible" expression of gratitude as Cindy Jones listens. This skit was part of a compilation entitled "I thought the Christian life was supposed to be a piece of cake."

Kiss the board or else, Mark Arbogast! Instructing people to do certain things may be difficult to do in Spanish, but it is certainly fun to watch the reactions.

Margie Wright and Jeremy Laughon wait for their change at El Rodeo. Each year the second and third year Spanish classes go to the restaurant to practice their language skills.



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The most exciting thing about going to Guatemala was seeing the ancient ruins and living with the people.

*Debra Stanley
Senior*

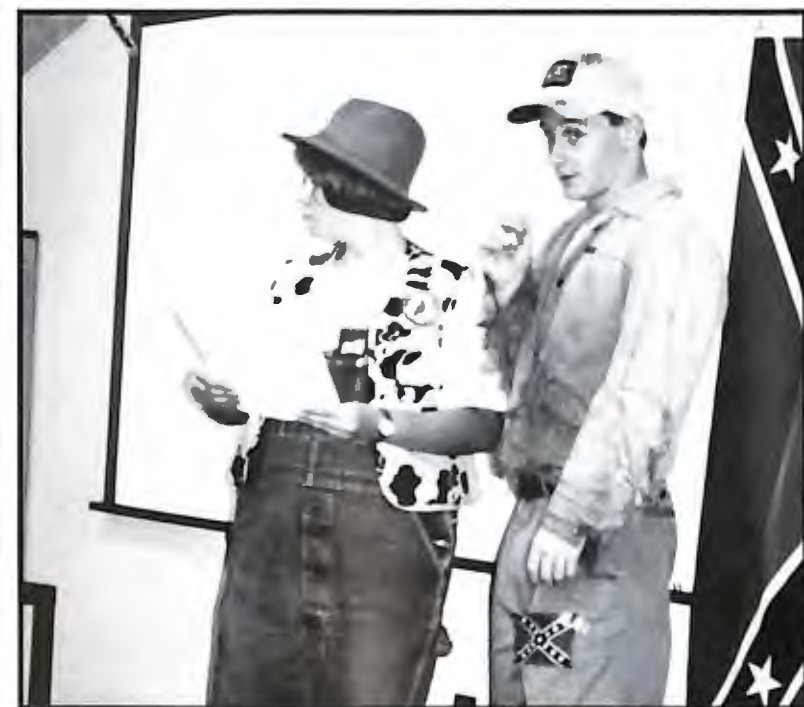
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Romeo, Romeo, wherefore art thou Romeo?" Katie Futrell and Joe Collins perform the lunch bag version of *Romeo and Juliet*, yet another creative way to demonstrate the works of Shakespeare.



Dana Hurt and Allen Armstrong demonstrate their hillbilly version of *Romeo and Juliet*. Sophomores act out Shakespearean plays in modern day interpretations to demonstrate their understanding of the plays.



Wow! It feels like we're walking on air! Sandy Carroll and Mark Arbogast follow commands from fellow Spanish class students during Spirit Week.

SPANISH CONVERSATION ENGLISH

The majority of RVCS high school students speak at least a little Spanish. Since it is the most widely spoken language in the world next to English, Spanish is the only foreign language offered. There are many reasons that Spanish is such a popular class at RVCS. Although the major objective is to teach students another language, Spanish class also provides students with a look at a culture very different from their own. Señora Long has a way of making her class interesting through playing games, singing Spanish cultural songs, and encouraging students to use their knowledge of Spanish in out-of-the-classroom settings such as conversations among themselves. During the Christmas season, every Spanish class spreads cheer throughout the school by singing Spanish Christmas carols in the halls.

Each year the members of the Spanish III class travel to a Spanish-speaking country during spring break where

they they are able to develop their Spanish skills by communicating with the people from that land. This year's trip was to Guatemala. While there the students had the opportunity to live with a Guatemalan family, to help in missionary work, and to experience the Spanish language in a new way.

Whether it be reading the classics such as *Great Expectations* and *The Scarlet Letter*, acting out scenes from *Romeo and Juliet*, or diagraming sentences, English consumes a large part of students' time while at school and in their work at home. Although learning the different rules of grammar, memorizing vocabulary definitions, and writing research papers may not be a favorite thing to do, the skills and knowledge that students gain through these sometimes tedious exercises are ones that will benefit them not only as they try to "make the grade," but also as they present themselves through proper speaking and the written word.

BIBLE DEVOTION CHAPEL

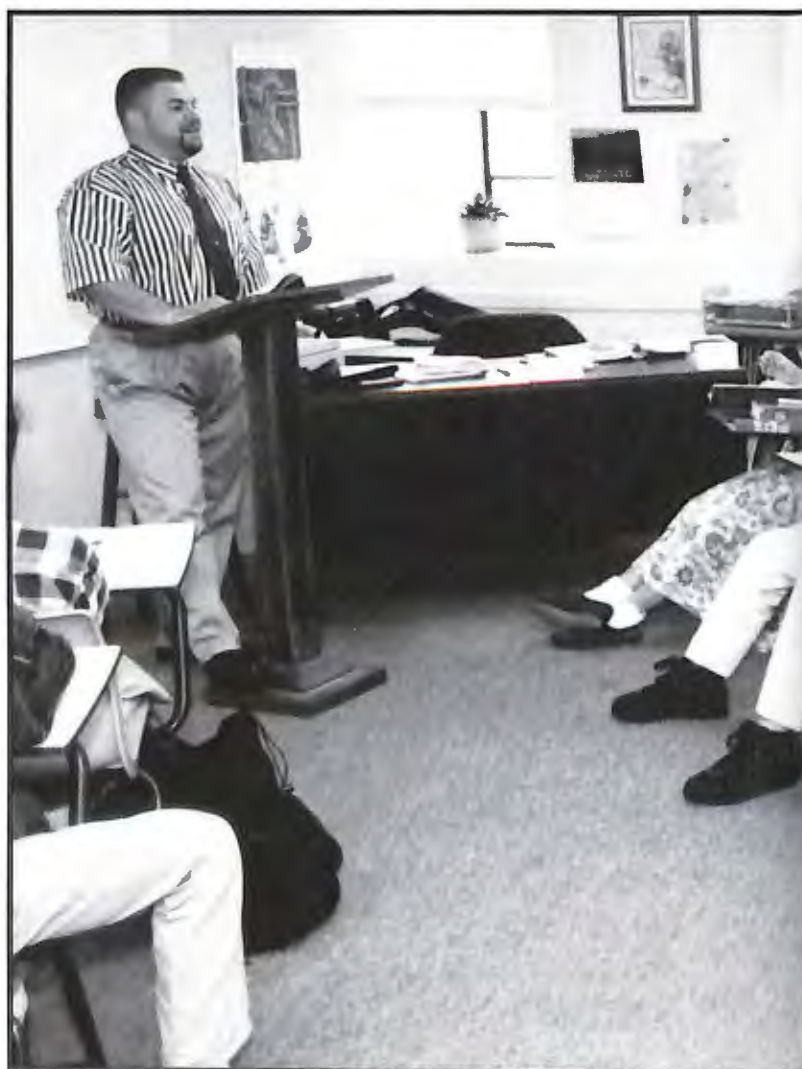
The mission statement of RVCS emphasizes the partnership the school forms with Christian parents to train their children in Biblical truths. Training in Biblical truths is integrated into each classroom, but both in Bible classes and chapel, students are trained to not only know the Bible, but to live it.

Bible classes are taught at every level, kindergarten through twelfth grade, emphasizing spiritual training and strengthening one's walk with God. In elementary school, the children are taught Bible stories about characters such as Adam and Eve, Moses, and Abraham. In middle school, students obtain an overall view of the Bible through the Footers and Foundations curriculum. In high school, the students study deeper issues such as witnessing and various biblical doctrines. On this level, relationships are

emphasized and building these relationships on Christ-like principles is the main thrust of the curriculum. Developing a philosophy paper in their senior year allows students to define their own understanding of various aspects of Christian doctrines.

Chapel is also a strong biblical influence in the students' lives. Guest speakers from different churches, colleges, and institutions share the Word of God and relate experiences in which God has worked in their lives. Musical and drama groups from colleges also come and minister for the students. Some of the students from RVCS are invited to share their personal testimonies as well. One thing is certain, students who come to chapel and Bible class ready to listen with open minds will be blessed by this time spent learning more about God.

During the missions conference Chris Marantika, along with other missionaries, spoke in various classes about their work on the mission field. Chris Marantika is a native of Indonesia and now trains people to start churches around the country.





Elementary students listen carefully as Mr. Hollins speaks to them. Each week various speakers address the students in chapel services, expressing how God has worked in their lives and challenging the students to have a stronger Christian walk.

Mr. Foley reads from the Bible in middle school chapel as the students follow along. Chapel is a big part of the overall biblical emphasis of RVCS and is enjoyed by the students.



Mr. Park lectures from the front of the room as he teaches Bible to the seventh grade class. The curriculum for this course, started several years ago, is called "Footers and Foundations," and provides a survey of the Old Testament.

Mr. Foley, the junior and senior Bible teacher, talks with a student following an intriguing discussion during class. Mr. Foley taught the seniors different philosophies of the Bible, then required them to research and write their own philosophy paper.

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Chapel provides an interesting break in a busy day. The music and speakers are always interesting.

*Jennifer Ware
Junior*

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The first to stand and know the correct answer is the winner! Rebecca Lockhart and Jeff Livermon are the first to stand among this group while Gina Guthrie and Josh Mabry are still waiting for the answer to come to them.

Sean Jones, Bradley Moody and Kimberly Janney work on an assignment in the elementary library. Students are given library time once a week to read or complete some of their assignments.



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Mr. Colston communicates his love for history to his students. Class discussions are really neat.
Dave Eshelman
Junior



Becky Hart walks away from Miss Law's desk after having won a piece of candy for knowing unique facts about the United States. Miss Law frequently takes time from the normal class routine to review by using games.

Ashley Gardner and Sean Sanburn display their Virginia salt maps. The making of the salt maps, a tradition at RVCS, was fun for the students and taught them about the state in which they live.



SOCIAL LOOKING BACK STUDIES



Seniors Robbie Camper, Richard Booth and Adam Smoot watch attentively to the video being shown in government class. Mr. Colston shows many movies throughout the year and is known to many as the "video king."

Social studies classes cover many areas of study, including history, geography, civics, and government. Students are exposed to various aspects of the geographic and political growth of countries. There are so many facts to be learned! How well can you answer the questions below just about your country?

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. In which state were the most Revolutionary War battles fought?
2. How many states are named after a President?
3. Can you match the U.S. President with the slogan?
 - a. a chicken in every pot
 - b. the new frontier
 - c. don't swap horses
 - d. the buck stops here
 - e. let the people rule
 - f. Tippecanoe and Tyler, too
4. Who wasn't at the Constitutional Convention that you'd expect to be?
5. Ruts made by pioneer wagons still exist where?

6. Which state has more lakes than any other state?

Many of these questions could be answered following the completion of social studies classes at RVCS. Teachers attempt to cover interesting facts in history to intrigue the students. Salt maps, models, reports, color-coded maps, video projects, current event articles, and field trips are all types of hands-on projects teachers use to pique the interest of students in this field of study. The thrust of this department is to show how God continually works to bring about His perfect plan. One does not always see it in this world, but as one looks back over periods of time, he can draw conclusions about events that will keep him from making the same mistakes again.

Just how well did you do on the test? Look at the answers below to find out.

1. South Carolina
2. One, Washington
3. a-3, b-5, c-4, d-1, e-2
4. Thomas Jefferson was in France
5. Wyoming
6. Florida

Answers:

SCIENCE CREATION HEALTH

Science classes are based on God as the author of life. Students are taught to evaluate their thinking in light of His Word. Health classes are based on the same principle, but emphasize the different body systems and personal hygiene.

At RVCS students are taught that the world is sustained and held together by God's power. Man should use his God-given intellect to have dominion over the earth. Elementary children learn there are no contradictions between the Bible and science. They learn about God's design and orderliness in creation. Middle school students learn to implement their math skills as they learn to balance equations in chemistry.

On the high school level, students study various aspects of science, from earth science to physics. Within the life sciences, students learn about genetics and how traits are inherited. In chemistry and physics, students are taught about the laws of matter, and how the laws act together perfectly, demonstrating God's control over creation and the universe.

Each year, middle and high school science students are required to prepare a project for the annual science fair. They must choose a topic in which they use the scientific method. Selecting a topic, forming a hypothesis, performing the experiment, and drawing conclusions are an integral part

of the project. Students and parents alike enjoy seeing the various projects when they are displayed in the gym. Top winners then compete in the Regional Science Fair against other schools. Our students placed very well in this regional competition.

Health and physical education are combined together to form one class. Students rotate days of academic study with days of physical activity. From kindergarten to tenth grade, students apply physical skills to strengthen their muscles and develop their coordination. On the elementary level, students practice catching and throwing, and play team sports such as soccer and basketball. More emphasis is placed on teamwork at this age level. In grades four through ten, students become more competitive. They improve their skills in traditional sports but sometimes take a break from the ordinary to play "just for fun." In the higher grades, some new sports such as lacrosse and golf are introduced.

Both science and health classes study the beauty of God's creation. Some of this study is devoted to the creation of the world around us, while some is devoted to the creation of man and the wonders of the bodies which He has created. Regardless of which area one studies, one is constantly amazed at the unique creation which God prepared for us.



Sixth grade students enjoy playing a competitive game of soccer. Katie Kidd is going to steal the ball from Jeremy Naff.



Matthew King and Michael Baratta watch Jessica Snyder as she pitches to the opposing team. The second graders enjoy learning to play whiffle ball in their physical education class.

Cory Bonham and Jennifer Clough look on in disgust as they attempt to dissect a frog. Dissections are an integral part of the science curriculum.

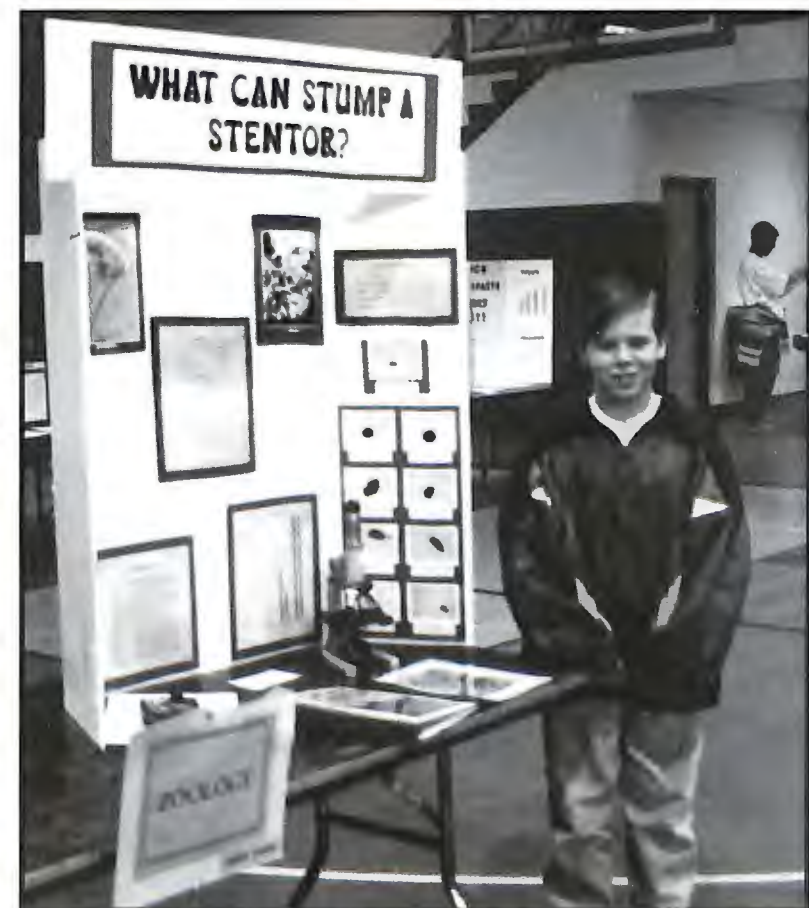


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*I like playing
baseball
in P.E.
I learn how
to throw the
ball and to hit it.*

*Priscilla Rakes
Second Grade*

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David Yates stands proudly by his science fair project. This project was the Grand Prize winner in the middle school division.

Members of the second grade wait for the perfect ball to kick. Spring is a favorite time of the year for P. E. classes since students get to exercise outdoors.

Kristel Hardy is frustrated that the computer is slow. Students frequently give up their lunch time to complete assignments in the computer lab.

MATHEMATICS COMPUTATIONS COMPUTER

Maple and Main streets are straight and perpendicular to each other. A stationary police car is located $\frac{1}{4}$ mile from the intersection of Maple and Main. A fire-engine red 1995 Mustang on Maple street approaches the intersection at the rate of 40 miles/ hour. How fast is the distance between the two cars decreasing when the moving car is $\frac{1}{8}$ mile from the intersection?

This word problem may seem ridiculous and impossible, but surprisingly it can be solved. Not every math class encounters this type of problem, but the math curriculum is challenging to students on all levels. In kindergarten, the students are taught to count. Third graders are educated in the multiplication tables. High

school math pupils are taught to complete the square and to recognize the significance of the quadratic formula.

The computer curriculum at RVCS has expanded somewhat this year with the addition of CoreIDRAW! This popular software provides work in graphics, an interest for many students. Students profit from learning how to operate, program, and use the computer to their advantage. This knowledge will be profitable to them as they prepare to enter the work force.

Math and computer are both very important classes to every student at RVCS. With the technology of the present day and the everyday demand for math and computer skills, RVCS graduates will be well prepared for the future.





Consumer math student Melissa Webb searches for stock prices in the daily newspaper. Divided into groups, students were assigned mutual funds to handle.

Mr. Foley explains the stock exchange to Robin Journell and Sandy Griffin. Consumer math students apply what they learn in class to everyday life.



Jay Plemmons consults Mr. Suhr about his trigonometry assignment. Many students seek instruction outside of class to assist them in understanding their work completely.

Jaimie Martin is mesmerized by the flash of the camera. He brandishes his skill of typing without having to look at the keyboard.

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Computer is a great, laid-back class, but it also provides an opportunity to learn about new technology.

*Benjy Kitts
Senior*

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The Key Club is a service-focused organization. Sponsored by the Salem Kiwanis, the RVCS Key Club has been of service to the community in many ways. This year the officers were new and perhaps a bit uncertain as to what direction they sought to lead the club. They were a little nervous about the task of keeping the club active and involved. This year's officers were: April Updike, president, Scott Whitley, vice-president, Debra Stanley, secretary, and Robert Shelton, treasurer. These officers led the club well. This school year was, perhaps, the most successful year in the club's history at RVCS.

There were numerous activities with which the club was involved. Perhaps one of their best results was in the canned food drive, which they sponsored during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Response was tremendous as students, parents, and faculty donated various non-perishable foods. Everything that was donated was taken to the Roanoke Rescue Mission where it was distributed to people in need. At Christmas, an angel tree holding the names of eighty-

three angels was placed in the main school lobby. Again, the school responded well and each angel on the tree was taken. One of the favorite activities of Key Club members was visiting with children at area TAAP centers. Many people commented on how much they enjoyed playing with the children and seeing their faces light up when they came. As the weather began to warm, Key Clubbers found themselves longing to spend time in the fresh spring air. This became an excellent opportunity for them to take to the streets - to clean them up, that is. RVCS has adopted several miles of streets near the school which various groups clean up periodically. Key Club was among the groups responsible for seeing to it that the school's testimony was shown in the area through community service.

As the school year drew to a close, Key Club members reflected on the things that they had accomplished as a result of their involvement in the world's largest service organization. They could be proud of the contributions they had made to both their school and community.

Cindy Jones visits one of the children at the TAAP center. This year the Key Club visited TAAP twice, and members commented on how much they enjoyed seeing the children's faces light up when Key Clubbers played with them.





Officers Debra Stanley and April Updike gather up canned foods to be delivered to the Roanoke Rescue Mission. The response to this Key Club sponsored canned food drive was tremendous; over fifteen boxes of food were donated!

Mr. Law distributes garbage bags to Key Clubbers as they prepare to do roadside cleanup. As the sponsor, Mr. Law did many behind-the-scene tasks and saw to it that the officers did their jobs.



Not only did participating in roadside cleanup allow Key Club members to help beautify their community, but it also gave them a chance to enjoy one of the first warm days of Spring. Seniors Trimble Bailey and Benjy Kitts did a thorough job cleaning up their section of the road.

The 1994-95 school year was quite successful for the Key Club. The members sponsored several projects which became a real ministry to the community.

Our outreach to the children at TAAP was my favorite thing we did this year.

*Scott Whitley
Senior*

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This was my first year as a member of the Student Senate. I had no idea it would involve so much work.

*Lori Jane Turner
Sophomore*

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The '94-95 National Honor Society is the largest one in its history at RVCS. The addition of twenty-five new members this year brought the total of current members to more than eighty.

Paul Ferris holds an in-depth discussion with Mr. Foley, student government advisor. The Student Senate learned different facets of leadership at this conference which they attended.



Students await induction into the National Honor Society. The majority of the sophomore class was inducted into this prestigious society.

Ben Ward shows that he is a multi-talented young man at the Association for Christian Schools International Leadership Conference. Daniel Gay watches with his patient smile.





NHS LEADERSHIP SENATE

This past year was an eventful one for the Student Senate. In October they loaded up for a two day ACSI leadership conference in Hurt, Virginia. There, they attended seminars and interacted with teen leaders from other schools.

In November the senate held their annual "Student Senate Work Day," at which time they decided on the dress-up days for Spirit Week, discussed possible service projects, and planned a student senate chapel for later in the year.

December was the month for candy cane sales, which brought in money for projects such as picnic tables for the courtyard. The picnic tables arrived for assembly in August before school started, and was carried out by members of the Student Senate and other volunteers. The courtyard provided a place for students to enjoy the sunshine and nice weather and proved to be

very popular.

Throughout the year, the senate led a student outreach to the Samaritan Inn, a mission in downtown Roanoke. There are plans to continue this ministry in the future.

The senate felt that they accomplished much this past year, and plans to continue to do so in years to come.

On April 25, 1995 twenty-four sophomores and one senior were inducted into the National Honor Society. Induction is based on a minimum grade point average of 3.0 or higher, and strength of character. The four candles lit in the ceremony signified the characteristics that this society strives to uphold: scholarship, character, service, and leadership. The number of inductees, as well as past and present members, shows the high standard that is set here at RVCS among students. It is a tradition that should continue as the school strives to become even better.



The 1994-95 Student Senate (left to right). Back: Mr. Foley (adv.), Ben Ward, Lori Turner, Elizabeth Clark, Daniel Gay and Mark Searce. Middle: Katie Futrell, Angela Stover, Paul Ferris, Dana Hurt, Amy Ford and Suzette Leonard. Front: April Updike, Robin Journell, Miriam Long, Jennifer Wise and Katie Hart.

The 1994-1995 athletic year was a tremendous success. The fall sports season proved positive for the men's cross-country team. These men once again captured the VIC first place trophy, and they will still have many more miles to gain next year. The winter sports season, though not as successful as the fall season, was a learning experience for those involved. Coach Miron's JV team just barely missed the VIC championship, but coach Dixon's JV girls team demonstrated that they still had what it took as they brought the BRC first place trophy back with them for the second time in a row.

With the spring came many dreams. The tennis team continued to hold the first place title in the VIC, the golf team missed their chance for the VIC, and the softball team finished first in their division, but placed fourth in the BRC tournament. The first ever girls soccer team brought a new challenge to the sports program. Their determination continued despite their losing season. Students at RVCS should be thankful to God for these extraordinary talents given them as they...

Focus on Victory





The 1995 VIC Tennis Champions. Wilson Pasley, Mark DeLong, Adam Smoot, Ben Thomas, Jay Plemmons, Nathaniel Simmons, Hampton Pasley and Simon Foster all worked extremely hard to maintain an undefeated season and to achieve the VIC championship for the second year in a row.

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Use Your Head

This year's soccer team discovered a very different way of playing the game. As always, high expectations were set. On the first day of practice, team members ventured onto the field "thinking" they were ready to play. Their new coach, Mr. Grooten, had other plans...very unique plans.

"Ready" was the word to describe the season, that is, unless one wanted to run suicides. "On the line" was used almost as often as Coach Grooten whipped the players into shape. The focus was a "mind over body" idea. Coach Grooten taught the team to use their heads first and not to focus strictly on their talents. This

was a dramatic change. It took the players awhile to adjust to Coach Grooten's style. Fortunately the transition went rather smoothly, and as the team began to catch on, the victories began to chalk up.

Through all of the new drills, new and basic techniques were perfected, thus developing skillful, stronger, and more mentally tough players. Each player drastically improved, surprising themselves by surviving some very difficult practices, playing well in the games, and developing a love for a new style of soccer.

The Eagles had an excellent season, especially considering the change in the style of play. Apparently this new concept in playing worked well as they made it to the VIC playoffs where they lost

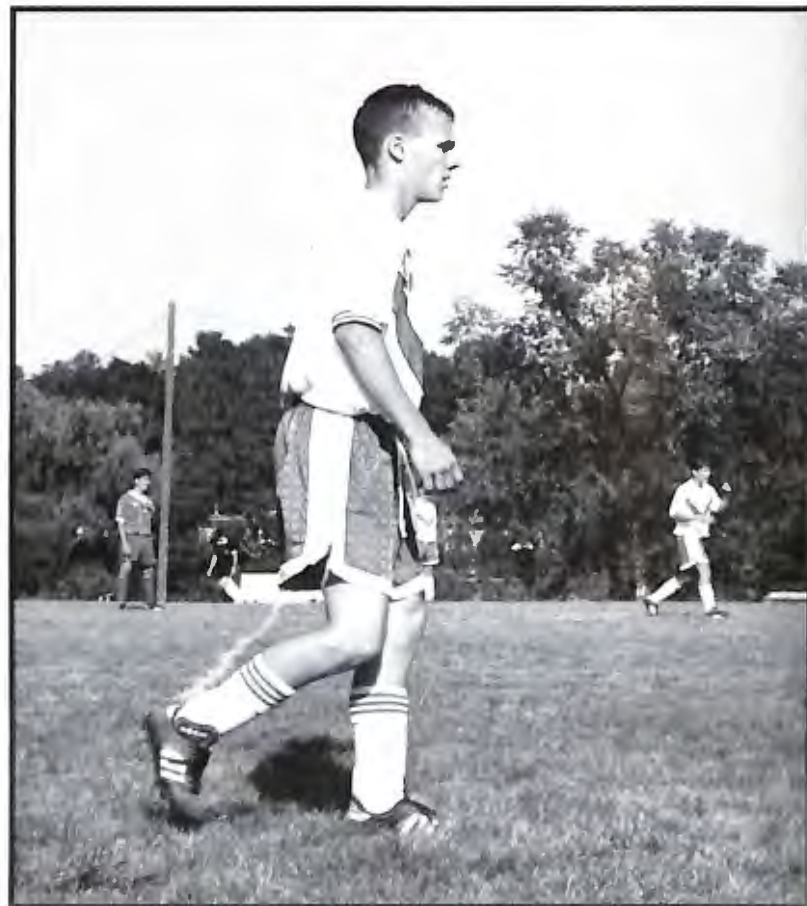
to the eventual champions.

The team also received distinguishment at the Labor Day Classic where they won their division. Richard Booth (MVP), Joe Surkamer, and Ben Thomas were named to the All-Tournament team. Within the VIC, Richard Booth, Robbie Camper, and Joe Surkamer were selected for the All-Tournament team. The coaches selected Richard Booth as Most Valuable on Offense, Robbie Camper as Most Valuable on Defense, and Greg Carroll as Most Encouraging. Other awards were also given: Mark DeLong-Most Hustle, Jay Richardson-"Christian" Soccer Player, and Joe Surkamer-Leadership Award.



Richard Booth (33) keeps his feet moving in order to help himself concentrate during a break in the action. Intimidation has always been the key to this little guy's game, and obviously it has worked well for him as he was one of the team's MVPs.

J. C. Collins (45) takes a break to catch his breath whenever he can during a game. If Coach Grooten had seen him, he probably would have found himself running extra.





As Joe Surkamer (38) cuts off his opponent, he dribbles the ball, heading for the sideline where he plans to make the cross for the goal. The determination that Joe exhibits was shared by each of his teammates.



The 1994 Varsity Soccer Team (left to right). Back: Buddy Searce, Tom Anglin, Adam Smoot, Coach Grooten. Middle: Ben Thomas, Richard Booth, Ryan Bivins (off. capt.), Joe Surkamer (capt.), Robbie Camper (def. capt.), Greg Carroll, Simon Foster, Joe Collins. Front: Gavin Walters, Jason Huddle, Mark Delong, Nathaniel Simmons, Michael McGuire, Jonathan Turner



US	OPPONENT	THEM
4	Carlisle	0
2	Tri-Cities	0
1	Eastern Mennonite	6
4	Miller School	0
0	Hargrave	10
4	LCA	3
9	Fishburne Military	0
3	Grace Christian	2
0	Holy Cross	1
0	Randolph Macon	1
3	Timberlake	0
3	Hargrave	10

Who will it be? RVCS or the opponent? Ryan Bivins (32), Joe Surkamer (38), and Jay Richards (42) keep an eye on the ball in hopes that they will be able to beat their opposition to it. Gaining control of the ball was something that the Eagles perfected and it proved to work to their advantage throughout the season.

Never looking back, Wilson Pasley pushes himself as he sprints the last part of a race. Wilson ran in the number two spot for most of the season and was a real asset to the team through his leadership and ability.



The 1994 Men's Cross Country Team (left to right). Back: Coach Suhr, Wilson Pasley, Josh Hurt, Joel Nester, Rykey Rumbley, John Kingery, John Childress. Front: Justin Hurt, Matt Smith (capt.), Hampton Pasley, Zack Schiffer, Jamie Hurt, John Hayden (capt., not pictured).

MEET	PLACE	OUT OF
Radford Invitational	7	23
GW Danville	2	2
Eastern Mennonite Invitational	9	22
Blue Ridge Invitational	6	8
Miller/Fishburne/North Cross	1	4
Hargrave/Roanoke Catholic	1	3
RVCS Invitational	1	8
Randolph-Macon	1	2
METRO	6	10
Fishburne	1	2
VIC Championship	1	8
State	7	35

Zack Schiffer (484) pushes himself to overtake a rival runner. Zack's sense of humor kept the team relaxed and loose during pressure situations throughout the season.





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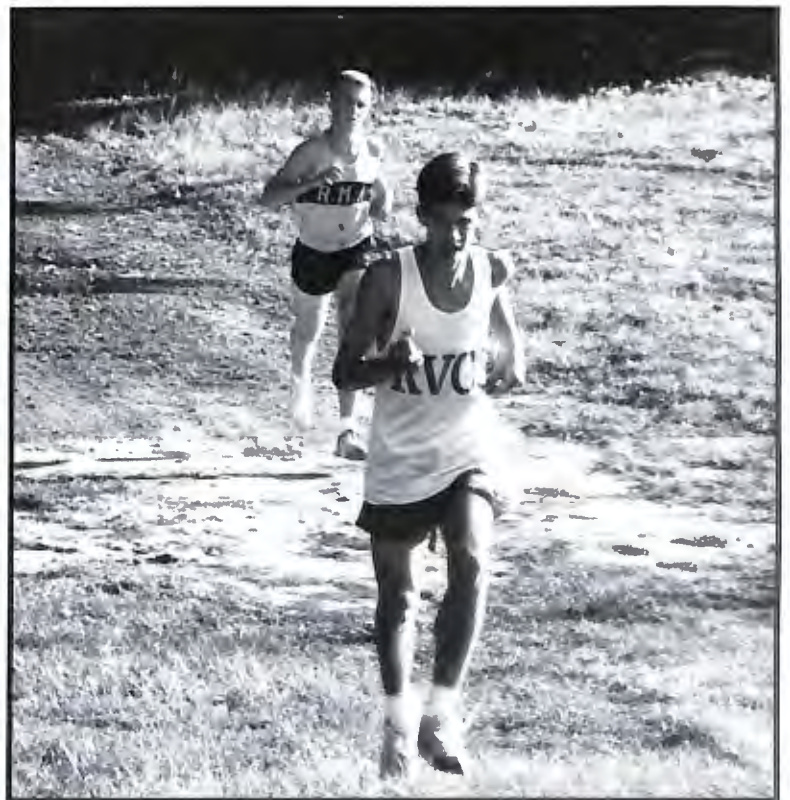
Repeat. Two in a row. These terms dominated the description of the Men's Cross Country season at RVCS. Teams throughout the VIC were determined to be the first ones to knock off the champs from the 93-94 season. It didn't happen. Not only did the team not lose, they simply blew away the competition, finishing their season undefeated. Throughout every meet of the 94-95 season, no team even came close to catching them. In fact, a case can be made that the three best runners in the

VIC are members of the RVCS team: John Childress, Wilson Pasley and John Hayden. In winning the conference tournament for the second year in row, this team accomplished something that had never been done before in any sport at Roanoke Valley by winning two championships.

Perhaps a better indication of just how good this year's cross country team was is their record against much stiffer competition in races such as the Radford Invitational, the Metro, and the State Meet, all of which are races that are open to public schools. At Radford

the team finished seventh out of twenty-three teams. At the Metro they finished sixth out of ten teams. Most impressively, they capped their season at the state meet by finishing seventh out of thirty-five teams.

Perhaps the most striking, and scary in the opinions of those teams which face RVCS, fact about the team is that they will return all their key runners from this championship cross country team next season. This of course brings the inevitable question to mind: What about a three-peat?



John Childress maintains the lead as he struggles up a hill during a conference meet. John was the team's MVP for the second year in a row.

Intensity expressed on his face, Josh Hurt (296) drives himself towards the finish line. A first year runner, Josh performed very well and showed great improvement.

Angela Primo, Jenny Wimmer and Amy Ford anticipate the return of the volleyball. The team's readiness many times gave them an advantage over the opposing team.

The ball poised above the net, Jessie Davidson (11) goes up for a spike. Her jumping ability allowed Jessie to help the team score many points through her hitting.



A Record Season

The 1995 season resulted in the most successful Varsity Volleyball team in the history of RVCS. The season began with the LCA invitational tournament held at Liberty University. The Eagles played well together and finished in fourth place. The team spent the night between tournament days at the Updike's house. It was during devotions this night that the tone was set for their season: "Hangin' Tough Together." This concept applied to their performance as a team on the court as well as in the noncompetitive aspect of their lives. Their goal was to focus on the opportunities they had,

keeping the right attitude, and remember that they were in it together. On the court this meant playing as a team and communicating well with one another. Off the court the team took this to mean they should take advantage of every chance they had to share the gospel with others. This they did by giving tracts to the opposing teams following games.

The Eagles finished the season with an overall record of 11-10, and a conference record of 6-7. They finished in fourth place following the regular season, and faced Timberlake Christian in the first round of the BRC tournament. Although the Eagles had defeated the Tornados in both regular season games, TCS was ready

and although the Eagles were able to win the first game, the Tornados rallied and the match ended with Timberlake on top, thus ending a banner season.

The varsity volleyball team achieved the distinction of being ranked seventh in the state among private schools. Among team members, Amy Ford was named to the first team All-Conference, and was also this year's Most Valuable Player. Angie Whitlow was selected for the second team All-Conference. Jessica Davidson was chosen as the Most Inspirational Player, and Tomika Finch was the Most Improved Player.





Angie Whitlow (24) goes up for a block as Jenny Coons (23) backs her up. One of the highlights of the season was Angie's blocks against LCA and North Cross.



The 1994 Varsity Volleyball Team (left to right). Back: Coach McDaniel, Amy Ford, Tomika Finch, Angela Primo (capt.), Mandy Ratliff, Vera Jones, Ashley Rakes. Middle: Cassie Poff, Ashley Abbott, Heather Felty, Jenny Coons, Jessie Davidson. Front: Amy Helton, April Updike, Jenny Wimmer, Angie Whitlow (capt.).



US	OPPONENT	THEM
0	Wake	2
2	Tri-Cities	0
2	Shenandoah Valley	0
0	Williamsburg Christian	2
2	Timberlake	1
1	LCA	2
2	Roanoke Catholic	0
2	Stuart Hall	0
2	Gateway	0
2	Grace Christian	0
2	Grace Christian	0
0	North Cross	2
1	Holy Cross	2
2	Timberlake	0
1	Gateway	2
1	Holy Cross	2
2	Roanoke Catholic	0
1	LCA	2
0	North Cross	2
2	Stuart Hall	1
1	Timberlake	2

Angie Whitlow(24), Jenny Wimmer(20), and Amy Ford(10) cover as Angela Primo(30) goes up for a spike. Teammates learned to work together and back each other up which was one reason for their success.

Chris Crawford and Tim Dooley race to get to the ball first. Overall speed was an asset to the players on the team.

Youthful Stride

The JV soccer team had a difficult season yet finished with a winning record. Players overcame injuries and played new positions in order to work for the benefit of the team. Age characterized the team in that there were eleven freshmen players. Defense was the key to their success. This is evident in their record in the fact that in five of the six victories they experienced, their opposition did not even score against them.

The offense made great improvements in passing and teamwork but unfortunately finished the season in a scoring slump. However, the team was able to score thirty goals over the course of the season compared with only seventeen goals scored collectively by their opponents.

The season ended with the Christian Heritage Academy Invitational Tournament. The Eagles finished the tournament in fifth place, an improvement over last year's sixth place finish. Justin Zimmerman was named to the All Tournament team.

The awards were earned through hard work and dedication. The Best Offensive Player was Eric Johnson who made a goal in every game in which the team scored. The Best Defensive Player was Timmy Spencer who saved many goals through his hustle and smart playing. The Captain Award went to Sam Thomas for his leadership and dedication to the team. The Coach's Award went to Ben Clark for his desire to be of assistance and to improve his play.



The 1994 Junior Varsity Soccer Team (left to right). Back: Daniel Bivins, Eric Johnson, Timmy Spencer, Chad Booth, Daniel Stephens, Justin Zimmerman, Garrett Suhr, Tim Dooley. Middle: Jonathan Broyles, Greg Smith, Ben Allis, Chris Crawford, Jeremy Huddle, Jason Poff, Josh Foster, Adam Baber, K. C. Gilbert, Coach John Law. Front: Ben Clark, Mark Scarce, Sam Thomas.



Daniel Bivins runs back on defense against Christian Heritage. Daniel was a reliable player for the Eagles until an injury ended his season.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
9	Carlisle	0
4	LCA	0
2	CHA	5
2	Dayspring Christian	0
2	LCA	1
0	EMH	4
7	Dayspring Christian	0
0	Roanoke Stars	2
4	Dayspring Christian	0
0	Grace Christian	3
0	Roxboro Christian	3

Erin Smith, Rebecca Wright and Mary Leonard get ready to receive the serve. The steadfast line that they formed strengthened the Eagles' game.



The 1994 Junior Varsity Volleyball Team (left to right). Back: Coach Mandy Stalnaker, Mary Leonard, Erin Smith, Dana Hurt, Eva Jones, Susie Weiser, Jessica Rakes, Jennifer Clough. Front: Rebecca Hart, Anna Zimmerman, LeEtta Turpin, Lauren McKee, Rebecca Wright, Diana Dittman, Melanie Quesenberry, Jessica Gilbert.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
1	Dayspring Christian	2
2	North Cross	1
1	Timberlake	2
0	LCA	2
0	Seven Hills	2
1	Holy Cross	2
2	Dayspring Christian	0
2	Roanoke Catholic	1
0	Holy Cross	2
1	Roanoke Catholic	2
0	LCA	2
0	Timberlake	2
1	North Cross	2
0	Seven Hills	0
1	North Cross	2

■ Gaining Experience ■

The junior varsity volleyball team underwent a difficult year, finishing the 94-95 season with a record of three wins and eleven losses. The team was very young and inexperienced, and started the year slowly by losing five of their first six games. Their youth cost them at the end of matches because of their lack of experience in pressure situations. However, their persistence paid off and the players gained experience.

The team showed great improvement in the second half of the season with two wins in their last eight games. Three of those six losses were tough, three-set matches which could have just as easily been victories for them.

The team really got along well with each other and had a lot of fun. First year coach Mandy Stalnaker did an excellent job of bringing the team together in a spirit of unity. There was very little friction among teammates and the players felt that they matured somewhat during the season. With the experience gained this year, the team members feel that they will be better equipped to face the stronger teams in future seasons.

Jessica Gilbert received the award for being the Most Improved Player and Mary Leonard received both the Leadership and Most Valuable Player awards. Congratulations to both of these young ladies!



Diana Dittman looks to the coach for advice. First year coach Mandy Stalnaker was well liked by the team.

Teammates Simon Foster (32), J.R. Clark (42) and Michael McGuire (14) await the inbounding of the ball. Inbounding is a basic, yet critical part of the game of basketball.



The 1994-95 Varsity Men's Basketball Team (left to right). Back: Coach Farmer, Jamie Hurt, Sandy Griffin, Tom Anglin, Joel Nester (capt.), John Kingery, Josh Hurt, Coach Manning. Front: Jay Richardson, Simon Foster, Mark Arbogast, Joe Surkamer (capt.), J.R. Clark, Richard Booth (capt.), Michael McGuire.



US	OPPONENT	THEM
64	Tri-Cities	53
71	Timberlake	70
63	Shawsville	57
57	Holy Cross	51
49	Lord Botetourt	77
88	Shawsville	75
68	LCA	52
46	Glenvar	84
73	Martinsville	60
65	Lord Botetourt	75
62	LCA	60
56	North Cross	68
56	Hargrave	70
87	North Cross	80
53	Roanoke Catholic	69
71	Roanoke Catholic	74
48	LCA	57
68	Carlisle	84
67	Timberlake	60
74	Holy Cross	76
62	Carlisle	91
78	Hargrave	86

Joel Nester (44) takes an offensive rebound back up towards the basket over two Timberlake defenders. Joel was selected for the All-Conference team.



Simon Foster (23) shoots a jumper from the wing in a crucial late season conference match-up. Simon came on strong towards the end of the year.



Richard Booth (32) walks the ball up into the Eagles' set offense. Richard had most of the ball-handling responsibilities for the Eagles during the season.



Hot and Cold

The Varsity Men's Basketball team entered the 94-95 season with high expectations. With two starters returning from a team that was eliminated in the first round of the Virginia Independent Conference tournament, and an influx of talented players from a junior varsity team that won the championship the previous year, the Eagles were expected to be able to contend with anyone during the season.

The team started out of the gates smokin', winning seven out of their first ten games. They played .500 ball towards the middle of the season, and were involved in a log jam

with the rest of the VIC in the race for a playoff berth. Down the stretch the Eagles lost two crucial games to Roanoke Catholic. This pair of back-to-back losses seemed to take something out of the team as those games were followed by two more losses to LCA and Carlisle. The team regrouped to win their next game and was still theoretically in the chase for the final playoff spot.

The team then suffered a devastating loss by two points to Holy Cross, followed by a blowout against Carlisle. The Eagles went against Hargrave and lost the game by only eight points.

It was a disappointing season, although anything but a failure. The team was in almost every

game going into the fourth quarter, but couldn't quite pull them out for the wins.

With two leading scorers and other key players returning, the Eagles should be in good shape for next season. The experience gained in close games this season will be hugely beneficial in the year to come.

The Most Valuable Player award went to Joel Nester, who was also voted to the All-Conference Team. Mark Arbogast won an honorable mention. The Most Improved Award went to Michael McGuire for his hustle and team play while the Most Inspirational Award went to Joe Surkamer.

A Touch of Youth

This unusual Varsity Women's Basketball team consisted of nine members, including three eighth graders, Rebecca Bryant, Gina Guthrie, and Rebecca Lockhart. Included also were three freshman, Nia Douglas, Amy Rumbley, and Rebecca Long.

Coach Dixon helped the girls to reach their fullest potential. His practices were based on building up the girls' speed, which would help them win many victories. Coach Dixon said the most exciting game of the year was in the BRC semi-finals with LCA. The Lady Bulldogs were heavy

favorites, having beat the young Lady Eagles twice during the regular season. Midway through the first quarter, LCA jumped out to a twelve point lead and ended the first half, leading the Lady Eagles 27 to 21. The Eagles held on through the third quarter down 40 to 34. In the fourth quarter Gina Guthrie scored nine of her twenty-seven game high points to tie the score with only 45 seconds left in the game. The Lady Bulldogs spread the court trying to let the clock run down with a two point lead, but the Eagles fouled to stop the clock. LCA hit five of seven foul shots to ice the victory 53-48.

Many players said that the away games were fun because they

spent quality time together and really got to know each others' likes and dislikes. These ladies did not just learn basketball. They learned about other people and life situations, enabling them to play better on the court.

The end of the year awards were given to the following players. The All-Conference Awards went to Gina Guthrie, Rebecca Bryant, and Amy Helton. All-Tournament went to Gina Guthrie, who was also the Eagles' Most Valuable Player. Most Improved were Nia Douglas and Rebecca Bryant. Most Inspirational were the senior captains, Amy Helton and Miriam Long.



Amy Rumbley (12) keeps her eyes on the ball as her opponents surround the basket. Tension built as it was a close game, but these girls came through with another win.

Rebecca Long (14), Amy Helton (20) and Miriam Long (34) wait patiently for a basketball during warm-up exercises. Adequately warming up to stretch muscles is essential in preparation for a game.





As the ball is shot, RVCS players Rebecca Bryant (31) and Nia Douglas (33) wait under the basket. This game resulted in a win for the Lady Eagles against the Timberlake Tornadoes.



The 1994 Varsity Women's Basketball Team (left to right). Back: Amy Rumbley, Amy Helton (capt.), Gina Guthrie, Miriam Long (capt.), Nia Douglas, Rebecca Bryant, Ashley Rakes, Rebecca Long and Rebecca Lockhart. Middle: Coach Dixon and Coach McDaniel. Front: April Updike (manager) and Dana Hurt (manager).



Ashley Rakes (24) and Gina Gughrie (5) take a break during a Timberlake game while the subs come in. This was a tough game but the Lady Eagles pulled through.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
47	Tri-Cities	13
41	North Cross	18
38	Roanoke Catholic	29
60	Grace Christian	50
42	Holy Cross	30
41	Timberlake	35
22	Heritage Christian	61
44	Patrick Henry	43
31	North Cross	14
29	LCA	51
64	Carlisle	13
46	North Cross	24
36	Roanoke Catholic	46
28	Roanoke Catholic	36
27	LCA	43
48	Carlisle	22
28	Stuart Hall	32
45	Timberlake	28
47	Holy Cross	42
54	Holy Cross	41
48	LCA	53
38	Stuart Hall	47
33	Senton High	52
34	Stuart Hall	46

These senior ladies have class! Rhonda Wright, Allison Shackelford, Amanda Poff and Trimble Bailey pause for the camera while taking a stroll on the hotel grounds in Orlando, Florida



The 1995 Varsity Cheerleading Squad (left to right). Back: Valerie Davis, Amanda Poff, Catherine Kistner, Robin Journell, Trimble Bailey, Kristel Hardy (capt.). Front: Allison Shackelford, Miss Lawson (sponsor), Rhonda Wright.

HIGHLIGHTS

1. Third place at SCORE Camps Inc.
2. Kristel Hardy, Catherine Kistner and Rhonda Wright received All-Star medals.
3. Earned a bid to Florida.
4. Perfected free standing liberty.
5. Catherine Kistner received an All-American medal.



Allison Shackelford, Robin Journell, Amanda Poff, Rhonda Wright, Catherine Kistner, Trimble Bailey, Kristel Hardy and Valerie Davis are happy to be in Florida. The varsity cheerleaders shared a "sister-like" closeness throughout the whole year.

Cheerful Exuberance

The 1995 Varsity Cheerleading squad consisted of a unique set of young women. Two girls had been on the squad since seventh grade, proving their commitment. Others had been cheering for four or five years, while two girls were new to the atmosphere and competition of cheering.

The squad worked long and hard learning cheers, chants, and jumps for the upcoming SCORE Camps Inc. held in the hot summer month of July. Many honors were given to the ladies for displaying their talent and spiritual closeness. When other squads were repeatedly practicing for competition, Roanoke Valley Christian was seen sitting in a circle holding hands, singing

praise songs, and praying to God for agility and courage. The judges were moved and awarded them the *Spirit* award. Three girls were given All-Star medals and one competed for All-American and was awarded a medal for her achievement. Their devotion to please Christ first, then their coach, paid off, for these girls were off to Orlando, Florida for national competition.

Florida bound. Two words that were great to hear since it was to be warm there while it was cold and snowy in Roanoke. Traveling in a turtle top was not the cheerleaders' idea of fun, but both squads conversed and slept on the long 24-hour trip and became closely knit. Of course there were times when they wanted to kill each other but the squads acted like a big group of sisters. A side

trip to Disney World took the edge off of competition. The girls especially enjoyed riding past *HO JO* several times on the way. They were then able to experience the *HO JO* thing again on the way to Cocoa Beach, where Kristel Hardy would not be quiet until they shopped at *Ron Jon's Surf Shop*.

Competition made nerves sour and hearts pound, and even made one cheerleader a bit queazy. (God's grace allowed her to control herself until it was all over.) Although the girls did not place in competition, they brought back to Roanoke many memories such as "wake her up,"+ "easy cheese," riding *Splash Mountain* seven times, and especially, "the ride's more fun if you look straight ahead."



Kristel Hardy holds Rhonda Wright in a chair sit. Chair sits and partner stunts were displayed on the sidelines throughout the basketball season.

Allison Shackleford looks through the scope on her camera to make sure she is in focus, as other cheerleaders practice in the background. At the end of each season, the senior cheerleaders make a video to aid upcoming cheerleaders.

Miss it! Miss it! Miss it! The ball did not fall short, in spite of the cry of the opponents, allowing the Eagles to take an easy victory during Spirit Week.



Make Way

This year's Junior Varsity Men's Basketball team finished with a 15-5 record in the conference. The team finished third in the tournament.

The year was highlighted by winning two games against Shawsville and Lord Botetourt. The best thing about the team, according to Coach Phil Miron, was that "the team never quit when they were down, and the support (team-work) they showed for each other made it all worth doing!" Coach Miron held a study hall for the team once a week after school while the men waited for their practice time. This allowed the guys to do

their studies and other extra work they had. The coach used this to help them keep their focus on school, and not focus too much on basketball.

Five players will move up to the varsity team next year leaving nine returning players, three of which are eighth graders. Their coach attributes most of their success to open gyms and attending camp at David Lipscomb College.

Mark DeLong was named to the All-Tournament team as well as being awarded the Most Valuable Player. The Most Improved award went to Gailon Hogan, while Most Inspirational went to James Masterson.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
66	Timberlake	45
38	Shawsville	36
49	Holy Cross	29
36	Lord Botetourt	33
50	Shawsville	49
36	Hargrave	50
58	Lord Botetourt	45
53	LCA	38
53	North Cross	33
45	Hargrave	66
45	North Cross	43
45	Catholic	32
56	Catholic	40
58	LCA	45
53	Carlisle	60
58	Timberlake	27
35	Holy Cross	29
53	Carlisle	68
52	North Cross	39
59	Hargrave	65

The 1994-95 Junior Varsity Men's Basketball Team (left to right). Back: Scott Apjok (Asst. Coach), Sam Thomas (manager), K.C. Gilbert, Joe Hollandsworth, Nathan Blankenship, Gailon Hogan, Justin Hurt, Chris Huffman, Mark DeLong, Coach Phil Miron. Front: Josh Foster, James Masterson, Phil Martin, Dave Turpin, Marc Flack, Ryan Allman, Eric Johnson.



Even Hargrave cannot stop Justin Hurt (35) as he goes up for a shot as teammate Chris Huffman waits for the rebound. Justin was one of three eighth graders on the JV Men's team.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
36	Timberlake	19
43	Seven Hills	7
22	Holy Cross	35
45	Timberlake	33
57	Seven Hills	15
22	North Cross	18
23	LCA	31
28	Carlisle	27
20	North Cross	14
23	Catholic	18
28	Stuart Hall	21
24	Catholic	18
27	LCA	35
12	Holy Cross	40
33	Catholic	15
31	Holy Cross	27
31	North Cross	23

The 1994-95 Junior Varsity Women's Basketball Team (left to right). Back: Megan Weaver, Jessica Rakes, Lauren McKee, Sarah Motley, Dionne Thomas, Alisha Clarke, Dinisha Brown, Erin Smith, Eva Jones, Jessica Baratta, Molly Perkinson, Shannon Stamper, Becky Taylor, Jessica Johnson. Front: Manager: LeEtta Turpin, Coach Bobby Dixon, Manager: Shannon Short.



Lauren McKee smiles excitedly with Coach Dixon. In the final game Lauren scored the only three point goal of the season.

Sarah Motley, Jessica Rakes, Jessica Johnson, Becky Taylor and Erin Smith watch as Meghan Weaver displays her jersey(#20). Basketball is a game in which the team members often become close friends.



Commitment

Basketball is not only a game of physical ability, but also a game of the mind. It is a game one has to love and want to play. By playing, one gets to know her strengths and weaknesses by what she does physically and emotionally. One has to strive and push himself to do the best she can, even when her mind and body tells her to quit, because in her heart she knows she has to keep going.

The 1994-95 Junior Varsity Women's Basketball team

finished the year with an 11-6 record. Their conference record was 8-2, which allowed them to win the southern division for the second year in a row. These girls worked hard for this achievement and it paid off for them in the end.

Erin Smith was voted to the All-Tournament team. She was also given the Most Improved Player award along with Shannon Stamper. The Most Inspirational award was given to Jessica Johnson, who brought spirit to the team.

Naomi Simmons, Caroline Powell and Kristin Kidd stand in line for a ride at Disney World. They had a great time despite the rainy weather all day.

Working Together

The Junior Varsity Cheerleaders had an unforgettable time this year. Many memories were made and friendships grew stronger. The squad improved tremendously over the season.

In the summer of 1994 the cheerleading squad had the opportunity to attend SCORE camp at Liberty University. During this week the cheerleaders learned many new things and came home with an award for placing third in the final competition. As a result they were also invited to compete in the National Christian

Cheerleading Championships in Orlando, Florida during January.

"It took a lot of time and hard work, but it was worth it," said co-captain Michelle Hightower. "We worked well together and accomplished some stunts we wanted to get," added eighth grader Caroline Powell. "We also had a lot of fun doing it." The cheerleaders said Nationals was something that they enjoyed and will never forget. It was a good experience and they were glad to be given the opportunity to compete there.



The 1994-95 Junior Varsity Cheerleaders (left to right). Back: Caroline Powell, Kristin Kidd, Joanna Foley. Middle: Naomi Simmons, Katie Plemmons. Front: Michelle Hightower.



While in Florida, the cheerleaders enjoyed themselves at Disney World. Kristin Kidd, Naomi Simmons, Caroline Powell, Joanna Foley, Mrs. Park, Katie Plemmons and Michelle Hightower smile for the camera so this moment can be remembered.

Naomi Simmons, Caroline Powell, Michelle Hightower, Joanna Foley, and Kristen Kidd do what most cheerleaders do best, strike a smile for the camera.



Jon Fullmer (33) pays attention to the game, deciding what his next move will be. The Eagles defeated the Celtics 40-30.



The 1994-95 Seventh Grade Basketball Team (left to right). Back: Coach Ken Tilley, Eric Russell, Matthew Ratliff, Justin Price, Jacob Street, Philip Hassell, Coach Bobby Street. Front: Darren Naff, Joshua Tilley, Nathan Warren, Stephen Harrison, Jeremy Naff.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
44	Vikings	37
40	Bucks	28
36	Hawks	20
24	Tarheels	35
35	Hornets	27
37	Wolfpack	27
34	Cavaliers	23
23	Hokies	33
22	Kings	73
47	Mavericks	48
33	Nicks	32
32	Celtics	24

Getting Ready

Both the seventh and eighth grade basketball teams had great seasons this year. The eighth grade team played against teams in the VIC, while the seventh grade team competed against local rec teams.

"The seventh grade team went 8-4 and had a terrific season," says Coach Ken Tilley. The eighth grade team won seven games and lost five. Four awards were given out to

the seventh grade basketball team. Most Improved went to Matthew Ratliff and Most Inspirational to Stephen Harrison. Jacob Street received Best Offensive Player and Josh Tilley received Best Defensive Player.

The eighth grade awards went to Corey Bishop, Most Improved; Chris Crawford, Best Offensive Player; and Alen Naff received Best Defensive Player.

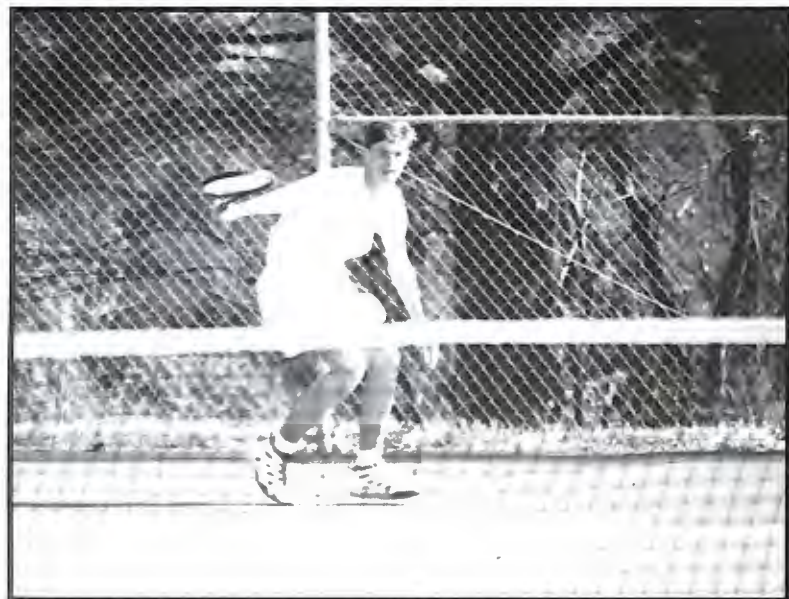


The 1994-95 Eighth Grade Basketball Team (left to right). Back: Coach Bob Crawford, Joshua Mabrey, Bob Angove, Chris Crawford, Scott Jones, Jason Poff. Front: Bryan Ferguson, Alen Naff, Corey Bishop, Jon Fullmer, Joe Leonard.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
43	Hargrave	34
31	Roanoke Catholic	40
40	Roanoke Catholic	30
26	Lynchburg Christian	53
37	North Cross	31
50	North Roanoke Hokies	54
33	Lynchburg Christian	59
60	North Cross	58
23	Hargrave	37
74	Timberlake Christian	68
53	Holy Cross	22
64	Holy Cross	43

Coach Surkamer gives Ben Thomas a pep talk before the finals of the VIC Tournament and his final match as a senior. Even though at the time it was hard for Ben to listen to what the coach was saying, it payed off in full in the long-run with a 3.5-foot trophy.

Freshman Hampton Pasley warms up before the match. His cross-court-slice backhand proved to be very effective throughout the entire season.



Victorious Again

It was another great season for the tennis team at RVCS. Even though they were VIC Champions last year, it was easy to see they felt little pressure as they attempted to repeat. Their year-round tournament experience left them fully prepared and fully confident for another VIC season.

It began victoriously with LCA and ended with a final win against Hargrave Military. Yes, the tennis team reigned undefeated again in the VIC. Their great season put them in excellent standing for the final

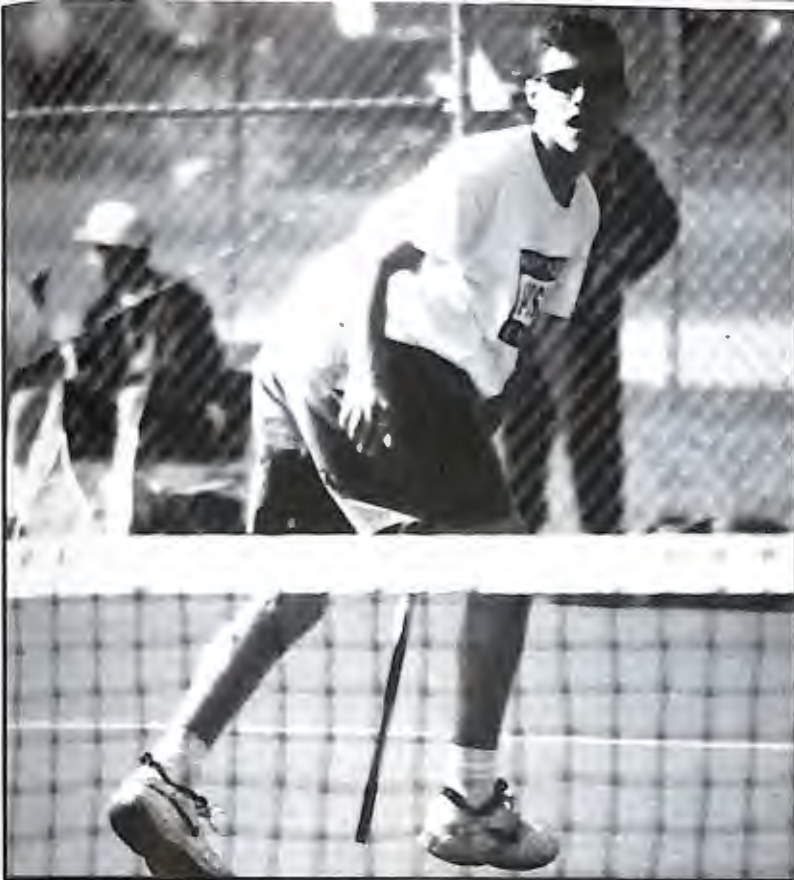
tournament at Miller School. The top two teams in the north and south received an invitation to the VIC Tournament. Consequently, RVCS and LCA traveled north to meet Miller School, number one, and Randolph Macon, number two.

The first round featured LCA against Miller School. Miller School squeaked out a 5-4 victory for a place in the finals. RVCS played Randolph Macon next for their bid in the finals. Randolph Macon was blown out of the tournament 9-0, courtesy of Roanoke Valley. There it was, a chance for

revenge by Miller School or a chance for a repeat by RVCS. This year's tennis team chose a repeat by defeating Miller School again for the second year in a row, winning it handily at 7-2.

The Most Valuable Player Award was given to Wilson Pasley, while Jay Plemmons was recognized as the Most Improved Player. Hampton Pasley was awarded Most Inspirational. Congratulations to the tennis team on a successful year and the new trophy and banner!





Jay Plemmons attempts a "between the legs" shot. A low margin of error is what the tennis team strived for, but at times the team tried to just have fun.



The 1995 Varsity Tennis Team (left to right). Back: Wilson Pasley capt.), Ben Thomas, Adam Smoot, Jay Plemmons, Coach Surkamer. Front: Simon Foster, Nathaniel Simmons, Hampton Pasley, Mark Delong.



US	OPPONENT	THEM
8	LCA	1
7	LCA	2
8	Glenvar	1
7	Hargrave	2
9	Fishburne	0
9	North Cross	0
9	Carlisle	0
9	Carlisle	0
9	Eastern Menonite	0
2	Glenvar	5
8	Hargrave	1
7	North Cross	2
	VIC	
9	Randolph Macon	0
7	Miller	2

Adam Smoot goes for the power backhand down the line. He had to be reminded throughout the entire season that power does not always lead to victory. However this season...it did.

Ben Kitts takes a practice swing before letting his superior strength out on the ball. Ben remained in the number one seed the entire year.



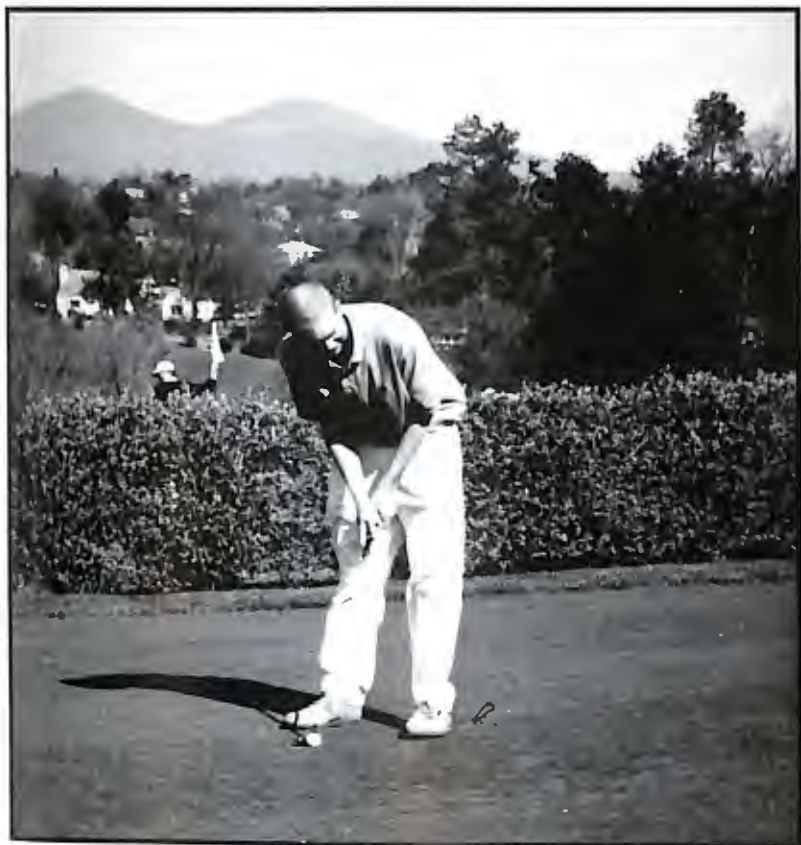
The 1995 Varsity Golf Team (left to right). Back: Joel Nester, Jamie Hurt, Robert Shelton, Justin Hurt, Sandy Griffin, Coach Assaid. Front: Josh Hurt, Marvin Haines, Philip Martin, Joe Surkamer, Benjy Kitts (capt.).

US	OPPONENT	THEM
190	North Cross	175
167	LCA	201
167	Carlisle	173
176	Carlisle	176
176	VES	168
149	LCA	208
149	VES	157
165	Fishburne	189
162	North Cross	167
159	Hargrave	181
166	Fishburne	192
166	North Cross	162
160	Hargrave	184
VIC		
333	North Cross	308
333	Carlisle	311

Joe Surkamer and Sandy Griffin converse with Coach Assaid about that day's match. Coach Assaid was always there for the golf team for encouragement and a discerning ear.



Concentrating to make the perfect putt, Joel Nester never let an opponent intimidate him. Joel's hard work over the summer allowed him to take the second seed.



Joe Surkamer rests in the shade of a golf cart, relieved that the match is over, while a caddy enjoys the same pleasure. Joe's diligence in the VIC championship allowed him to place third in the tournament.



So Close

Stroke for stroke the 1995 golf team proved they had what it takes to get to the VIC tournament for the third year in a row. All the players were returning except for a few, and the men were fired up to begin the season with several wins. Defeat came their way in the first match against North Cross, their main competitor. The team did not let this set them back though. The matches following were a testimony to their true ability and talent.

Joel Nester and Ben Kitts switched back and forth be-

tween the number one seed, as did Joe Surkamer and Sandy Griffin for the third seed. These four power houses strived to attain their lowest scores each match and with a talk from coach Don Assaid, these men never let each other or the team down. Other key players were Jamie Hurt, Josh Hurt, and Justin Hurt.

The moment the golf team had been waiting for finally arrived, the VIC tournament. Those that were competing hardly slept the night before, and as the team warmed up that sunny Monday morning, their hearts were racing

with anticipation and excitement. The first to tee off was Ben. It was pretty good, though it was a bit windy, causing the ball to hook. The next few players did pretty well, their confidence somewhat shaky. The match progressed, and the results came in. The golf season was over with a disappointing loss to North Cross and Carlisle. Joe Surkamer placed third in the tournament overall.

Congratulations to Sandy Griffin for Most Improved, Ben Kitts, Most Valuable and Joe Surkamer, Coach's Award.

Youthful Gains

The good news is the baseball team tripled their win output from the previous year. The bad news is that it only added up to a total of three victories.

For the second year in a row the team relied heavily on younger players. Several freshmen routinely started. The team also struggled with academic suspensions.

There were some definite signs of improvement during the season however. Although the team batting average was weak, they did have above av-

erage speed when they did get on base. The offense overall averaged a respectable five runs a game. The pitching was solid, although a couple of bad losses really messed up the team ERA. The Achilles heel of the team was its defense. It was not uncommon for a pitcher to only give up a couple of earned runs, then have the defense fall apart and end up allowing five or six more unearned runs. The team managed to keep most of the games close through the early innings, but eventually it always seemed like their fielding caught up with them.

In a way, the team's youthfulness was good, as it shows an interest in baseball among the younger classes. Two years of trial by fire should help them to be contenders in future years. With some work on their fielding they should be pretty good in the coming season.

The awards were given on the basis of leadership. Zack Shiffer won the Coach's Award. Derek McKinney won Most Improved. Micheal McGuire won the Most Valuable Player award and was named All-Conference.



Cory Bonham listens to the coach's instructions as he awaits the next batter. The Eagles were a good base stealing team, managing to steal home plate on several occasions.

Rykey Rumbley looks skyward as he makes contact with the ball. Rykey played infield and pitched for the team.

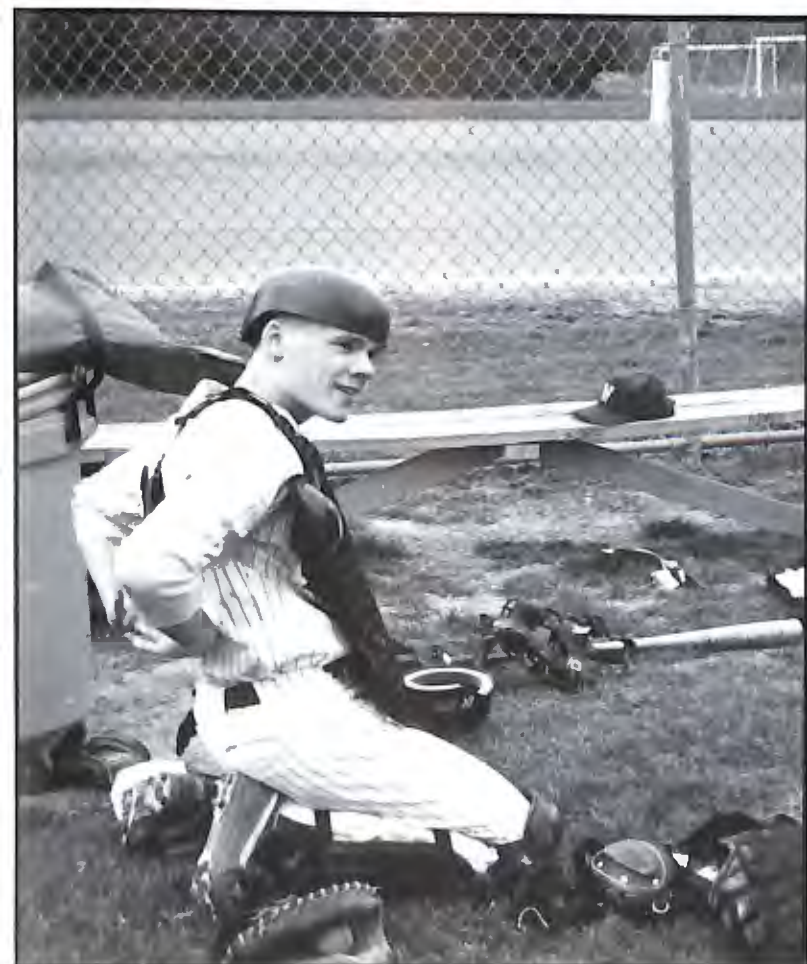




Assistant coach Scott Apjok, Joe Collins, Robbie Camper and Coach Brooks walk off the field following a team huddle. Team unity was a strength during the year.



The 1995 Varsity Baseball Team (left to right). Back: Richard Booth, Joe Collins, Tom Anglin, Zack Shiffer, Robbie Camper, Scott Jones, Coach Brooks. Middle: Jason Taylor, Chad Booth, J. R. Clarke, Cory Bonham, Mark Searce. Front: Jon Fullmer, Ben Clark, Michael McGuire, Jacob Bailey. (Not pictured: Lucas Jones, Derek McKinney, Rykey Rumbley.)



US	OPPONENT	THEM
5	Lord Botetourt	12
8	North Cross	6
5	LCA	20
7	Timberlake	11
2	Loud Botetourt	4
1	Holy Cross	11
10	Carlisle	6
1	Eastern Mennonite	10
9	Randolph Macon	19
6	Fishburne	13
1	Hargrave	6
6	North Cross	11
8	Carlisle	6

Joe Collins straps on his chest protector in preparation for the upcoming game. Joe was a solid catcher throughout the season.

During warm-ups, Jessie Davidson makes the throw to first base as Amy Ford looks on. Both Jessie and Amy made All-Conference because of their excellent play for the team.



The 1995 Softball Team (left to right). Back: Coach McDaniel, Amy Helton (capt.), Amy Rumbley, Amy Ford, Dana Hurt, Erica Noble, Tomika Finch, Elizabeth Clark, Coach Dixon. Front: Jessie Davidson, Erin Assaid, April Updike (capt.), Cindy Jones (capt.), Emily Halsey, Amy Baber.

US	OPPONENT	THEM
33	Hargrave	4
14	North Cross	4
6	Roanoke Catholic	5
8	Timberlake	7
3	Holy Cross	13
3	Roanoke Catholic	10
30	Carlisle	0
6	Holy Cross	11
9	LCA	4
7	North Cross	5
6	Hargrave	4
19	Stuart Hall	2
24	Carlisle	3
BRC		
31	Stuart Hall	0
8	LCA	9
3	North Cross	16



You can see the concentration on her face as Erin Assaid swings at the ball. As an eighth grader, Erin will have several years to wear a RVCS softball jersey.



High Hopes

The 1995 softball team started their season with high expectations. They returned all but one of their players from the successful 1994 team. Their goal was obvious--to win the BRC.

While a few players assumed new positions in order to make the team more effective, most team members worked hard at their positions from the previous season, striving to improve with each practice. The girls' focus was on being in the best shape that they could. Coach Dixon told them "...we're not going to lose a game because the other team is in better shape." This they accomplished by running

laps before practice and then doing sprints around the bases at the end. As a result, they were able to score many runs through their excellent base-running skills.

Typically the softball team is comprised of a close-knit group of girls. This year was no different. Their friendship carried over onto the field, allowing them to work well together. An unusual characteristic of this year's team was that either every team member played great, or everyone had a bad game at the same time. This led to some blow-away victories, including a 30-0 win over Carlisle in just three innings, and a 9-4 victory over rivals LCA. The Eagles finished in first place in their division.

Entering the final four of the BRC tournament, the softball team had high hopes and the desire to win it all. Unfortunately, the team did not hit as well as normal and lost both games, causing them to finish in fourth place. A third place finish would have sent them to the state softball tournament for the third year in a row. The team was quite disappointed and a bit sad, but their regular season record was one of the best in RVCS history.

This year's awards went to the following: Amy Baber, Most Improved, Jessie Davidson, Most Inspirational, and Amy Helton, Most Valuable Player.



Captain Amy Helton stands poised and ready to run from second base. Amy was selected for all-conference, and as the pitcher and number two hitter, was the team's MVP.

Amy Rumbley listens as Coach Dixon gives her instructions about when to run during a game. The Eagles base running ability scored them several runs this season.

Rebecca Long (41) makes a break to dribble the ball to her team's goal. Looking on, RVCS players Ashley Rakes (37) and Vera Jones (27) decide where to move to best help out their team.

Lauren McKee (15) fakes out Roanoke Catholic's player (6) in order to change directions and pass the ball to a teammate. Other Catholic players move to their positions so they can help defend their goal.



New Goals

Starting out with eighteen girls, some having never played soccer before, the RVCS women's soccer team had a tough season. This was the first year RVCS was privileged to have a women's soccer team and Coach Joe Grooten took 18 girls and turned them into much better players individually and as a team.

From the first practice when some girls could not even dribble or pass the ball, to the last game of the BRC tournament, the girls on the team learned many new skills and had a great time doing it. The players were taught techniques

such as dribbling, trapping, heading the ball, and working together as a team.

Overall, the team was very young having only two seniors. The majority of the team consisted of eighth and ninth graders, so they will have several years to improve themselves and the team. These girls had the opportunity to play older players on opposing teams which helped them improve even more.

Coach Grooten worked hard on teaching skills to the team and was proud of the improvement he saw as the season progressed. Even though the women's soccer team went 0-12, they came a significant way from where they

started in the beginning. In years to come, RVCS will have something to look forward to, seeing these girls improve their ball handling skills and mature as a team.

Rebecca Lockhart was the only player on the team to score any goals this year. She scored six goals in six games. Along with Megan Weaver, Rebecca Lockhart was chosen for the All-Tournament Team in the BRC. The awards went to Rebecca Lockhart for Best Offensive Player. Megan Weaver received Best Defensive Player, while Ashley Rakes was the Most Inspirational.





As Rebecca Lockhart (17) heads for the ball, Rebecca Long (41) goes for Northside's #20 in hopes that her teammate can take the ball down the field. RVCS tried hard, but in the end lost the game to Northside.



The 1995 Varsity Women's Soccer Team (left to right). Back: Rebecca Long, Vera Jones, Mary Leonard, Rebekah Hollins, Trimble Bailey, Coach Grooten, Ashley Rakes (capt.), Katie Futrell, Mary Peterson, Lori Beth Smoot. Front: Gabriel Rexrode, Molly Perkinson, Susie Weiser, Rebecca Lockhart, Megan Weaver, Lauren McKee, Jana Smoot.



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Teammates Jana Smoot (13) and Ashley Rakes (37) head for the ball, both trying to steal it from the opposing team. Although RVCS persevered, Roanoke Catholic moved on to win the game five to one.

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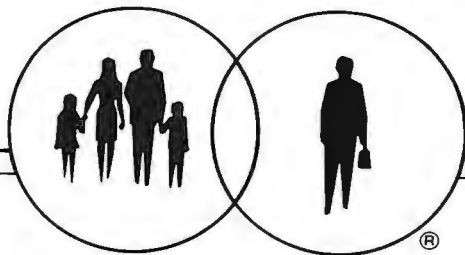




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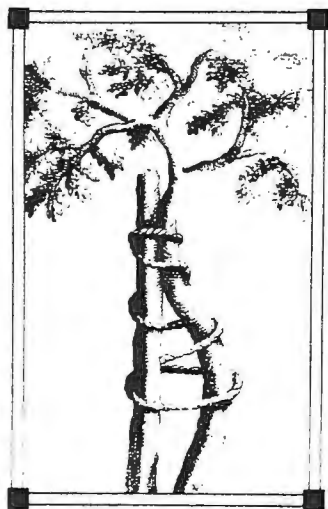
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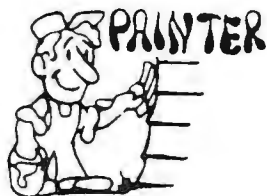
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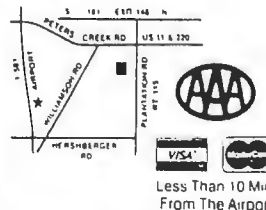


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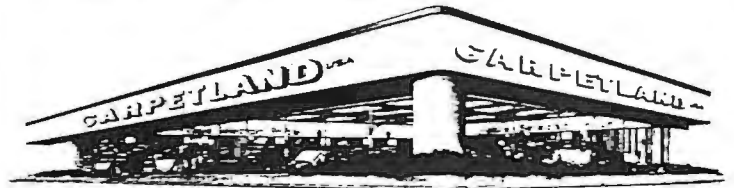


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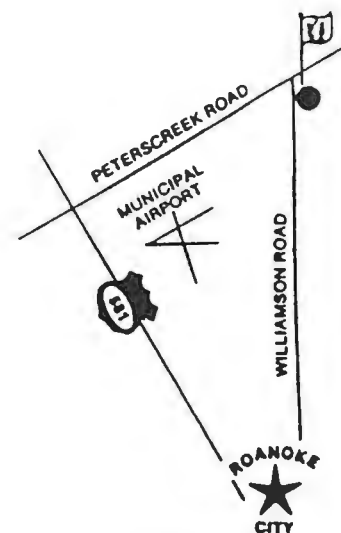
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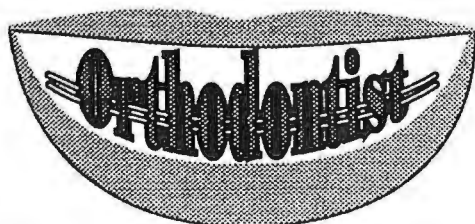
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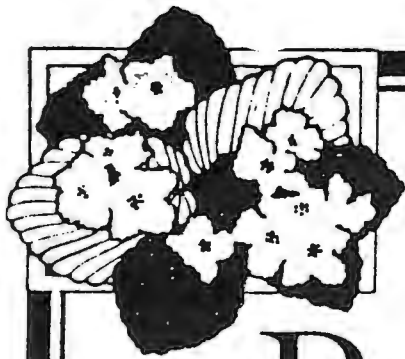


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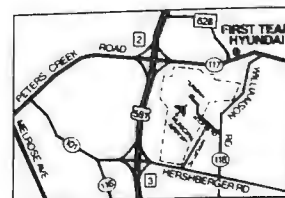


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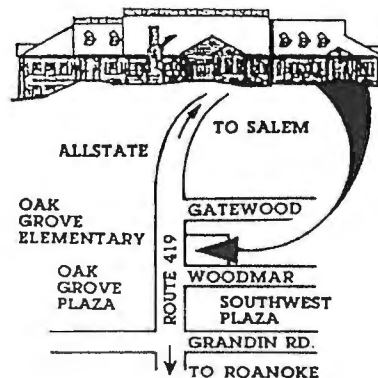
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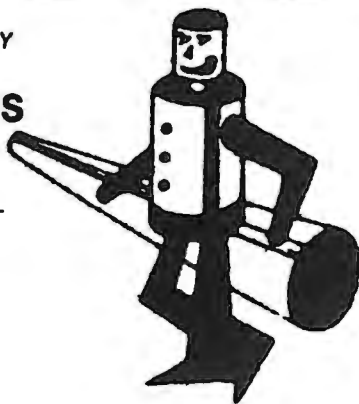
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The purpose of New Creation is to lift up and give honor and glory to the Lord Jesus Christ.

New Creation is a Bible study in which a group of high school students meet together to worship Christ in spirit and in truth. The group met every Thursday morning at 7:45 AM. During this time, the students shared prayer requests and praises. After this a special speaker spoke a brief message from God's Word.

With the faithfulness of prayer warriors we saw God bless many individuals and answer their requests. Changed lives were a result of individuals being saturated in Christ. We concentrated mainly on praise, because praise is the atmosphere that welcomes His presence and gives thanks for His mighty works.

Through New Creation God taught us to live our natural lives supernaturally. We know we can do this because II Corinthians 5:21 says, "For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him." God bought us and He owns us. We are His, made

in His workmanship and called to lead the lost to a saving knowledge.

by Scott Whitley



New Creation members (left to right). Back Row: Scott Whitley, Tomika Finch, Daniel Gay, Melissa Webb, Dion Minter, John Hayden, David Davis, Daniel Stephens. Front row: Allen Armstrong, Ben Ward, Jennifer Atkins, April Updike, Rebecca Chisom and Ashley Abbott.

Memorial Day '95

Memorial Day is a day in which millions of Americans honor veterans and loved ones of wars past. Usually, school is out for the holiday and students are left to go to area pools, to the lake or cookouts with their families. However, due to inclement weather during the winter months, ROCS students attended school on this day.

The plans for the day included exam reviews and for lunch, hamburgers grilled by the esteemed principal, Mr. Hollins, and Bible teacher, Mr. Foley. The weather was perfect for this day, hot and humid. Mr. Foley presided over the grill, turning out hamburgers for students and faculty alike. Enjoying lunch in the courtyard, students ate and socialized together on the last full day of classes.

In the middle school, students attended classes for the morning hours, then watched videos in their classrooms for the remainder of the day. Had the

Students line up to devour the grilled hamburgers prepared in honor of the holiday. Mr. Foley and Mr. Hollins engineered the feast to enable the students to celebrate.



ground not been so saturated from the heavy rainfall of the preceding days, the students would have enjoyed track and field events on the athletic field. However, an acceptable compromise was reached, since what really mattered to the students was being out of class for the afternoon.

In the elementary level, classes went on as usual. Most of the elementary classes had already celebrated with an end-of-the-year picnic during the previous week, and the teachers were using those last few days of classtime to cover all of those details which must be finished before the last day draws to an end.

Memorial Day came to a close. All that remained was four half-days of classes. On the middle and high school levels, this meant final tests and exams. But it was worth the work, for graduation and summer vacation awaited the end of the week.



Socializing on the last full day of classes before exams began was a welcome change of pace for the students. The picnic-style lunch gave them an opportunity to make plans for the summer.

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On August 16, 1990, a large hole was left in the class of 1995 when Christie Renee Fisher died. She had attended Roanoke Valley Christian School since kindergarten and was a member of Chamblissburg Baptist Church. Her death brought a realization to her class that death does not visit only some people. Eternity is just a breath away and each of us must be ready.

As we end our education at RVCS, the class of 1995 would like to, once again, express the loss that we all feel without her here. Her memory will continue with us for the rest of our lives. To express this, our class has chosen to dedicate a flowering cherry tree, which will be placed on campus, to the memory of Christie.



Christie Renee Fisher

July 11, 1977 - August 16, 1990



Christie Fisher and April Updike, long-time friends, share a hug in front of the school property. April and Christie were not only friends in school, but also attended church together.



- *courageous*
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Thank You, Mr. Brown

This year marked the end of Rick Brown's service to RVCS children and families as Elementary Principal as he assumes the position of Associate Pastor for School Ministries on a full-time basis. The teachers and students commemorated this event with a special chapel that would give them the opportunity to express their appreciation for Mr. Brown's dedication and selfless giving during his four years of service.

The chapel included recitations of poetry and scripture, special music, readings of students' writings, role-playing, and the presentation of special gifts and a "Memory Album."



Mr. and Mrs. Brown wait as elementary students get in place for the special "Thank You" chapel. Every child in the elementary school feels loved as Mr. Brown greets him by name each morning in the carpool line.

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Mrs. Futrell, Mrs. Updike, Mrs. Wimmer and Mr. Law enjoy their luncheon at the train station erected in the Secondary Library during Teacher Appreciation Week. Each year, volunteers give daily favors to the faculty which provide clues to the theme for the week.



The Volunteer Program

"Many hands make light work."

The Volunteer Program provides many hours of service to RVCS each year through parents, grandparents, and other interested individuals. These special people plan and prepare parties and picnics for the students, assist the faculty and staff with bulletin boards and special projects, and make the "millions" of copies that are passed out each year in the form of tests, worksheets, and study sheets.

Volunteer bus drivers drive students on field trips and to sporting events. Tutors give special help to students with academic needs. Volunteers plan and execute fund raisers which enrich the classroom beyond budget expenditures.

In March, a Teacher Appreciation Week is planned and carried out for the enjoyment and encouragement of our faculty. These are just some of the many activities for which the volunteers are responsible. They truly show a servant's heart in all that they do for RVCS.

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At the end of their seventh grade year, several members of the class of 1999 began meeting for prayer during lunch on Thursdays. These same students continued the practice when they returned to school as eighth graders. Throughout the year, these eighth to twelve young people faithfully offered praise and petitions to

the Lord, never seeking recognition, always displaying love and concern for their class.

Though their number has remained small, these eighth graders represent a special strength and commitment needed to be examples to all RVCS students. Prayer has brought them together to minister to others. Prayer will help them continue to serve in the worthy way.



Diana Dittmann, Jessica Rakes, Sarah Motley, LeEtta Turpin and Jaime Cook gather under the trees to pray with one another. This prayer group met regularly each week during lunch to share and pray.

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Don't let the smoke get in your eyes, Mr. Foley! Accompanied by Bonnie Gay, youth ministries secretary at Shenandoah Baptist Church, Mr. Foley attempts to grill hamburgers on Memorial Day for the high school students. Mr. Foley's great love for the students caused him to go the extra mile on many occasions.

Good-bye from Mr. Foley

As my family and I move north to Charlottesville, I look back over my two years with a full heart and a tear in my eye. For the

last two years I have been privileged to pour myself into working with about a hundred great teenagers every day. I have had the opportunity to develop wonderful relationships that I will always treasure, both with my students and their teachers. It has been a blessing to teach, work with, learn with and pray with these young Christians, many of whom live lives that honor God daily.

If there is one thing that I want to accomplish with my students, it is that we would endeavor to think through the issues of life asking several questions: Have I thought about this carefully? What does the Word of God say about the issue? What would Jesus do in this situation? And finally I try to always challenge students with this: Show it to me in the Bible!



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Italy, Here We Come!

by
Lori Jane Turner

April 12-21 sixteen students and five adults toured the beautiful, historic country of Italy. The trip was a marvelous blend of experiencing the culture, taking in the sights and sharing Christ with the people.

The Culture: Italians are very affectionate and some of the girls got grabbed and kissed. The guys, on the other hand, felt that the Italians were rude to them. The group had to pay to sit down and to use the bathroom-this took some getting used to. It seemed that Italians lived off of pasta and hard bread or "nocks." The students had "nocks" for breakfast. "Nocks" were served with pasta for lunch and dinner. The group had their fill of pasta during the trip.

The Sights: Our eyes beheld more than we ever could have imagined. We saw things in person that before we had only seen in textbooks. We saw beautiful mountain ranges and magnificent cathedrals, stood by Michaelangelo's "David" and rode gondolas through the streets of Venice. We observed the ancient ruins of Pompeii and toured the Catacombs; rowed through Tiberius' swimming pool and craned our necks at the Sistine Chapel. We saw the

Vatican City and the balcony where the Pope speaks. We climbed a high mountain for a panoramic view of Assisi, the holy city. We visited the Tower of Pisa and drove past Mt. Vesuvius. We stood in the Colosseum where the early Christians were brutally persecuted.

We threw two coins into the Trevi Fountain. Traditionally the first coin means you will be back to Italy someday and the second means that all your dreams will come true.

The People: Though the sights were breathtaking and the culture was interesting, the people we saw were the best part. We took two hundred Italian tracts with us and could have handed out a lot

more. Catholicism prevails in the lives of the people and many of them are so caught up in the meaningless rituals of the religion that they do not know personally the One who died for them. We were amazed at the spiritual darkness evidenced in this great country. Our hearts broke as we saw the people's desperate need for Christ. This trip was to be an educational one, and indeed it was. We were reminded of the spiritual hunger felt by those in the world around us, and we were convinced that Christ is the One who will fulfill that need when we make Him known.



Wes Karnes, Matt Smith, Scott Whitley, Angela Primo, Dion Minter, Jonathan Turner and Lori Turner sit on a wall overlooking Assisi, birthplace of Francis, one of the most popular saints in medieval history.

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WHO AM I?

Boy, was I excited! A job at last--after months of sitting around, feeling boxed in and bored stiff, I was finally being sent out for my first job. Some of my friends had already found jobs, some at offices, others at clinics, but I was going to a school. Just imagine--what an important, life-changing place. Sweet, innocent young minds soaking up all that knowledge so that one day they too could face the world, ready for any job thrown at them.

Well, at first I was rather stiff and nervous. My new supervisor was a little brusque, and I received a rather cool reception. I got the distinct feeling that he'd rather have someone

other than me to work with. He loaded me down with books, papers, disks, pens and pencils and we started off! Little did I know that life in a school could be so rough! I was pushed hurriedly down the hall through a maze of snobby students that only grunted disgustedly as I nudged past them. Not one spoke kindly; none noticed that I was new and begging for some attention. After a couple of rough class periods of being shoved from one room to the next, I was ready to quit. Those classrooms were a total waste of time for me. I just stood there, serving no purpose, waiting for the bell to ring.

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Oh, please, please, please! Let me get through this hall before all the classes empty out. I thought I could make it, but the bell just rang, and the students are already pouring out of the rooms. Please don't bump me. You might break something important. How I wish there was another way through this building!

Later in the teachers' workroom I was treated even more rudely. You would think that adults would at least be courteous and respectful. Was I ever wrong! A few of them really seemed to be exasperated at me constantly showing up in their "precious" room. I've never heard such complaining. I certainly seemed to be in everyone's way. I was jostled and pushed from side to side as teachers made snide remarks about my supervisory teacher, Mr. Grooten, leaving me in there.

Perhaps the most humiliating aspect of my experience came when several students decided

to hide me from Mr. Grooten. I prided myself in always being on the job, ever faithful, never failing to show up on time, ready to do any job assigned. Some mischievous students pulled me outside one day and left me waiting and shivering in the cold while Mr. Grooten searched everywhere for me. Because of me, he was late to class and all out of sorts. I really wanted him to know that I had nothing to do with the incident, but somehow I failed to communicate that to him. I've heard that he's asked for a better working situation next year. I'll miss him, but I'll never forget my first year at RVCS as "Joe's Cart."



There he is, my supervisory teacher, Mr. Grooten. It is so nice to be out in the halls when they are empty. Is that Robin behind that camera? Am I going to be in the yearbook. Oh, how exciting! My friends back at the warehouse just won't believe it.

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- *zealous*
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FOCUS ON THE UNSEEN

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for. . ."

As one looks back over the 1994-95 school year, he will remember the triumphs, and failures he has experienced in this most recent chapter in his life. He will remember the August breeze that whisked in a new school year and instilled in him the desire and goal to study diligently and do well. His thoughts may show him the blinking lights of the Christmas tree, and he will feel the same feelings of complete happiness and delight that he had during the holiday season.

Perhaps his thoughts will turn to seeing those first wild flowers blooming across the fields and the promise and anticipation that the smell of the fresh springtime air brought. Then he will stop remembering, and start living. He can focus--through laughter and tears--on the unseen future waiting for him to claim, which is waiting to claim both him and this moment as a memory.

"... the evidence of things not seen."

Hebrews 11:1

On the last days of school, seniors Angela Stover and Amanda Taylor concentrate on an art project. Sunny days such as this one provided many hours for the seniors to reminisce on years past.





Even though Mrs Park's baby was due on June 11, she attended school right up until the last day. The sixth grade class hosted a baby shower for her and Mr. Park on Memorial Day. (Editor's note: Landon Nicholas Crutchfield Park was born on June 9, 1995, shortly before Imprint '95 went to print.)

The class of 1995 is only too happy to be graduating. The look of joy on their faces can be expressed as relief and satisfaction for their accomplishments throughout their high school careers.



Anna Zimmerman assists classmate Nikki Breeding on an assignment concerning the *Middle School Chronicle*. The hard work of the staff allowed them to finish their deadlines on time and in order.

George Michael Kalafut and friend Aaron Shank enjoy recess together. These cute boys exemplify the joy of youthfulness as they share a smile.

FOCUS ON THE UNSEEN



Valedictorian
Jeremy Laughon
leads the
Class of '95
as they begin the
processional of the
Baccalaureate Service.
Alumnus Byron Harvey,
class of '78,
delivered
the message,
challenging the class
to walk worthy
of God
in every aspect
of their life.

Walk . . .

Wholeheartedly

Optimistically

Righteously

Tenderly

Honestly

in **Y**ieldedness to Christ

So we fix our eyes not on what is seen, but

Chris Bright

Kris

Garrett

(M) 977-1577

Greg
(Old Man)

Justin Rossbacher
Justin

did you

Mr. Chapel

Aaron
Fletcher

John Fullmer

Philo
stay
smart
Abby

For what is seen is temporary, but what is un
II Corinthians 4:18

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