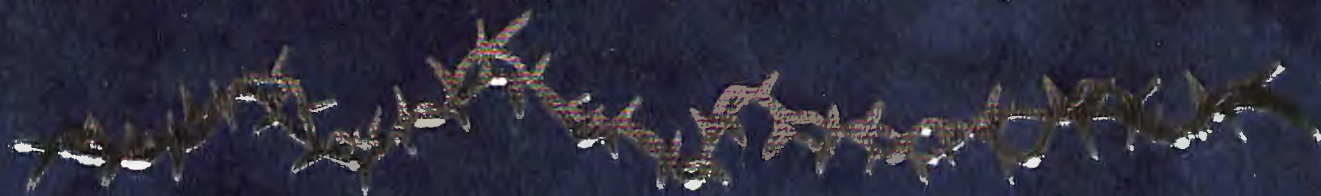


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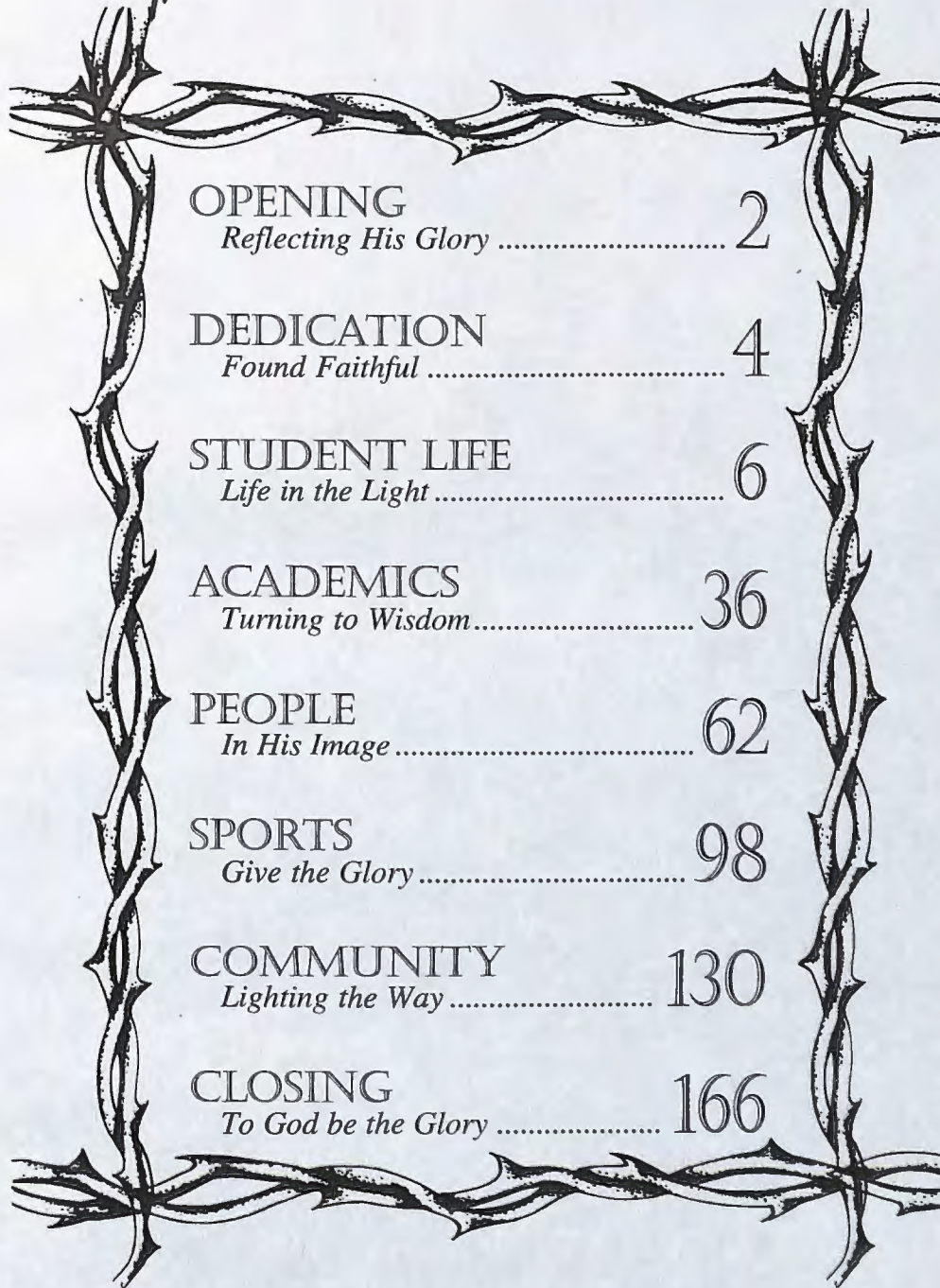
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Phillip,  
You are a fine  
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enjoyed having  
you in class  
last year!  
Mrs. Causey

"For thou, O God, hast proved us: thou hast

Phillip,  
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in my class this  
year! You're a  
quality young  
man! Have a  
great year!  
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Mrs. Luteell  
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Phillip Wright



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*Psalms 66:10*





In September of 1973, Roanoke Valley Christian Schools opened its doors and began what has so far been a successful journey. Administration was employed, followed by faculty and staff, providing valuable service and experience to the school. After beginning with Kindergarten through grade five, plus the preschool Children's Center, the school was expanded in 1974 to include sixth and seventh grades, and, in 1975, grades eight through ten. Another grade was added each year until the twelfth grade was reached, with the first class graduating in 1978. That same year plans were made to round out the program with the construction of a gymnasium; the dedication of this building occurred on June 3, 1979. Over the past twenty-five years, as God continually proved Himself faithful, facilities were expanded and added to accommodate the growing school and church ministry. In the summer of 1997, Pastor Alderman shared once again a vision for expansion and the need for a larger music building to be used by the church and the school. In January, 1998, ground was broken and "Vision 21" became a reality. As the school continues to grow spiritually and expand physically, God's guidance and provision will continue to lead the ministry into the twenty-first century.

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# Reflecting

H I S G L O R Y



**FIRST COMES LUNCH, THEN COMES RECESS.** First graders sit down to enjoy their lunch. This meal is always exciting for the elementary students, because recess follows. As with most of the first graders recess is the most favorite part of the day.

**SIPPIN' BACK AND RELAXING.** First grader Jimmy Hayden winds down by drinking a juice box. Upon returning from the Civic Center, where Miss Toms' class saw a production of *Charlotte's Web*, the class was able to eat their lunch in the classroom on the floor.



**FINAL CURTAIN CALL.** The '98 Im-print staff takes a bow after the performance of the annual dedication skit. The yearbook staff took a different route with the skit this year and decided to do a living slide show.



**TAKING NOTE.** Students have the opportunity to share special musical talents with the student body during chapel. The High School Ensemble frequently performs a selection during this time, featuring the entire group or specific members. At other times, individuals sing or play musical instruments to help lead in worship. Singing choruses is a regular part of this time. Sam Thomas shares his gift of music with the high school student body by playing a song he wrote.



**BAAHBY SOFT.** Andrea Howes and Bethany Hayes pet the lamb, while Mrs. Howes makes sure she doesn't squirm free. For Show and Tell, the students may bring anything they consider important and share the object with their classmates.

**WITH ONE VOICE.** Tyler Meadows, Bethany Hayes, and Hannah Zimmerman belt out the notes in music class. When the elementary students have music class, their voices echo through the entire upstairs floor.



**TAKING A "POLE."** The annual student-led event, See You at the Pole, drew a large crowd this year. Ben Ward headed up the event, and added a keyboard to accompany the students as they sang praise songs.

**EVERY TIME A BELL RINGS.** Senior Marc Flack won't be receiving his wings anytime soon. He may look like a sweet little angel, but don't let that cute smile fool you. In the Speech and Drama's Christmas presentation, Marc played a terror of a ten-year-old named "Chip."



# Reflecting

## H I S G L O R Y

Playing with babies is so much fun. When kids are young, they laugh at anything. Practically everyone has played the game where a person holds a baby in front of the mirror and asks, “Who is that?”

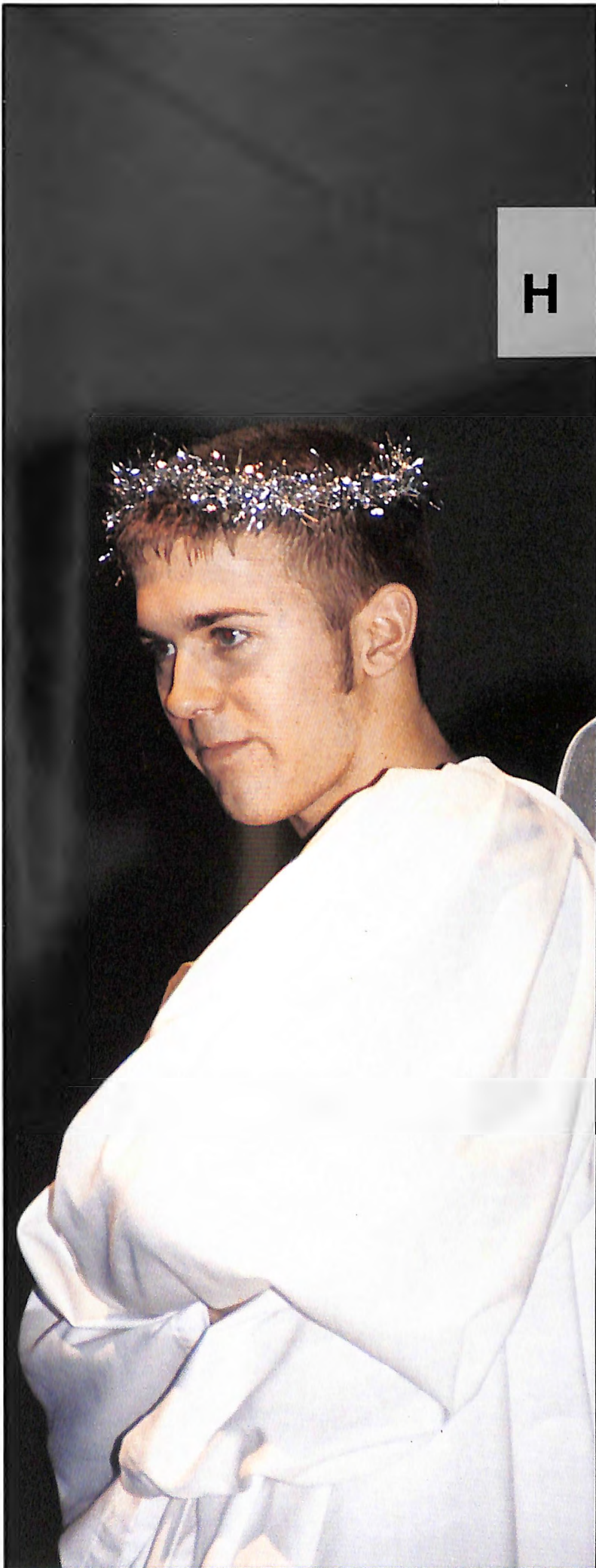
To a mature mind the answer is simple, but think about it. Nearly half a person’s life is spent trying to answer the feeble-minded question, “Who is that?” What makes up who a person is?

Christians have an edge on those who do not believe or take to heart the Word of God. The Bible helps people clarify what makes them who they are. Many depressed people wander alone and confused for years simply because they cannot figure out which image they wish to reflect.

Just as every morning people wake up and expect the mirror they look at to convey the proper physical image, Christians should look at the Bible to reflect the proper spiritual image. When a person is saved, he dies to himself, allows Christ to be Lord of His life, and chooses to follow a path in which Christ is seen instead of the individual.

2 Corinthians 3:18 says, “And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord’s glory, are being transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.” (New International Version). The next time there is a mirror in the room, take a long look into it and ask, “Who is that?” because the reflection should always be Christ’s.

*by Alisha Clarke*



# Found

## F A I T H F U L

In choosing the dedication for the silver anniversary edition, the decision was made to honor someone who has been faithful to our school throughout its twenty-five years. It is quite evident that A. C. Hollins, High School Principal, has been involved with the school ministry in various capacities for most of the time the school has been in existence.

Mr. Hollins was born in Roanoke, Virginia on Thanksgiving Day in 1947. He graduated from Staunton River High School and then began his college career by attending Virginia Tech for three years. Four years later he graduated from Piedmont Bible College with a Bachelor of Theology. After leaving Piedmont, Mr. Hollins went to West Virginia College of Graduate Studies. He later attended the graduate division of Liberty University, ending, for the time being, his college career with a masters degree from Piedmont. While Mr. Hollins was attending Virginia Tech he met his future wife, Sue. On December 30, 1968 they were married. They now have three children, two boys and one girl, Dale, Todd, and Rebekah.

Mr. Hollins felt the Lord call him into full time Christian service during the summer of 1969 and from that day he has served faithfully, pastoring churches as God led. He has been very involved in community activities in the Town of Montvale, such as volunteering as a fireman and donating many volunteer hours with Montvale Water Company. He is a certified instructor for both fire fighting in the state of Virginia and first aid/CPR for the Red Cross. In addition to these many responsibilities, he has taken an active interest in the school from which all his children graduated, Roanoke Valley Christian. He has served as teacher, substitute teacher, and principal at various times over the years, but his first love is building relationships with others.

In grateful appreciation for his years of service and dedication to the students, the *Imprint* '98 staff recognizes Mr. A. C. Hollins. His commitment to God and his willingness to serve in many different ways is an inspiration to all who know him.

*by Michelle Hightower*





**BLACK TIE AFFAIR.** Mr. Hollins is all dressed up for a high school affair during his junior or senior year. The black pants and white dinner jacket are reminiscent of the formal attire popular during the 60's. This style, which was quite the thing during that time, would be very different from the formal wear worn today by most high school students.



**THE FAMILY PORTRAIT.** Back: Rebecca, Todd, A. C., and Dale. Front: Lauren, Jeannette, Sue, Angela, Matthew, and Victoria. Spending time with family is very important to Mr. Hollins, especially at Christmas.

**ROCK-A-BYE-BABY.** Mr. Hollins rocks Lauren, one of his three grandchildren, as she sleeps peacefully through his birthday party. His son Todd has one child, and his other son, Dale, has two. His children say "he is 'Dad,' not merely our father."



**THE SPIRITUAL WALK.** Following his salvation during Vacation Bible School, Mr. Hollins, about age eight, is baptized at the Beaver Dam Creek in Bedford by Bill Shroeder. Mr. Hollins has a close walk with God and desires to help others come to know the Lord.



**WORKING MAN.** Mr. Hollins is hard at work on the construction for the school campus. He has various talents and works in many different fields. One of his greatest loves is volunteering for the fire department. His son Todd says, "It was that time together in the fire department, during the training and the calls, that I feel brought me closer to my dad, not as a father, but as someone that I felt I could talk to as a friend."

**OVER THE HILL.** Mr. Hollins is surprised with a birthday party from the faculty as he turns fifty. To honor this event, the staff welcomed him to the Montvale Firefighters Retirement Home where Mr. Brown and Mr. Larson (already members) showed him the ropes by starting his rocking chair *before* he sat down in it. Unfortunately, they all had difficulty getting out of the chairs when the fire alarm went off.



**YOUNG AND IN LOVE.** Sue and A. C. celebrate their first New Year's Eve together as a couple. Today, the Hollins family still enjoys entertaining and spending time with family and friends.

**SO STILL AND SO CUTE.** Two-year-old A. C. Hollins sits remarkably still and quiet for his mother. He is all dressed and ready to go to church with his family



# L i f e I n T H E L I G H T

Remember when, as a child, the highlight of the week was the playground? Well, things do not change much when students get older; everyone looks forward to getting any possible change in the pace of their schedules that they can get. Day in and day out the routine of doing the same things repeatedly can sometimes be monotonous.

To alleviate the stress of school, students use their weekends in many different ways. Field trips, vacations, holidays, and time spent with friends are just a few of the ways students retreat. Even when classes are not in session, the students are still called to live and walk as Christ did. This responsibility and calling never get any easier, but as the students seek the Lord and try to find His will, life becomes more joyful.

Students are not the only ones who look forward to a break occasionally. Teachers anticipate time off from school as well. Of course, anyone who deals with elementary, middle school or high school students needs a well-deserved break. Teachers set the example of Godly living outside the classroom. Often, they are overlooked and their need for time off sometimes goes unnoticed, even though they need the break as much as the students do. Either person, whether teacher or student, is called to live a life pleasing to God.

Jesus Christ came to earth to show men how to walk righteously and upright. The path was made clear for believers to follow. John 1:4 says, "In him was life; and the life was the light of men." Too often people search for life, love, and happiness in places other than the true source. Christ is everything all people of all ages need to be truly happy and have true joy. Surrender to Him and relish the Light of life.

*By Alisha Clarke*





**LEAN ON ME.** Brandon Bolinsky and Ryan Allman “dressed in their best duds” for the banquet at Word of Life Inn during their senior trip.

**SHIPPING OUT.** Bryan Ferguson gazes over the waters at the port of Jamestown as he considers the simple life of the colonists who came to America long ago.



**FOODFOR THOUGHT.** James Pasley and Andy Martin enjoy some snacks at the middle school Christmas party. Traditionally, the middle school celebrates their Christmas party by going to the bowling alley for some time of bowling and snacking.

**JUST BETWEEN FRIENDS.** A few members of the senior class enjoy time together on a camping trip. The weekends are great for many high school students to have a good time together away from school. Getting away is important for relaxation and fun.



**TRYING OF FAITH.** This summer each camper learned to have their faith challenged as they practiced trusting one another in various activities. The object of this trust was to work together pulling fellow campers over the wall, accomplishing more as a team.



**NO ONE CAN EAT JUST ONE.** Some of these kids must think that sharing is a great thing as they all steal Ryan Flack's fries. These boys gathered at Walrond Park to give a party for their partner in crime, Evan Sadler, who moved to North Carolina during the summer.



"I was able to go on a missions trip to Mexico. I had a lot of fun and got to serve the Lord."

~ Melody Terry ~  
8th Grade



**CLOWNING AROUND.** A painted face and smile are not all there is to these clowns! Under every trace of makeup is a larger view of servanthood and Christ like spirits. Senior Rebecca Wright and friends used this ministry to reach children on a summer missions trip.



**SINGING PRAISES.** Smiles reflect the joy coming from the music these middle and high school students are making together. The students prepared songs together in order to minister to people on the streets of Roanoke City. With voices lifted in praise, they share their joy to all who will listen.



**WORK TO BE DONE.** Mr. Hollins lends a helping hand in construction of the new nursery addition to the church. Much volunteer work is needed to maintain the church and school facilities.

**ROAD KILL.** Mock terrorists were planted at various places to make Camp Eagle campers suspicious. Robbie Spencer, disguised in a shaggy wig, attempts to gain the sympathy of rowdy campers.



"My summers are busier than my school year. Every summer my family of about thirty go on a vacation together. I also have a lot of other activities."

~ Jessica Rakes ~  
11th Grade



**LEARNING THE ROPES.** Derek McKinney keeps his eyes focused on the next step, as he overcomes the obstacles of this high ropes course at Camp Eagle. Challenges such as these make our faith stronger as well as teach us to keep our eyes focused on the goal.





# Summer Vacation

*Students make many plans for fun with friends over the long, hot summer months*

by VALERIE TERRY

Riiiiinnngggg! The final bell pealed across the campus. With a sigh of relief from the students (and teachers), school was over. Although everyone was not yet looking forward to the next school year, each person was anticipating summer. When students were asked what their summer plans included, answers came back such as going to the beach, camp, missions trips, jobs, going to the lake, summer school, sleeping and lazing around the house.

Many high school students worked during the summer. The mall was a favorite place to find a job. Other jobs students found were restaurants, car washes, grocery stores, and

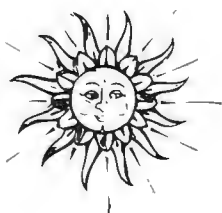
clothing stores. Some students worked odd jobs for family or neighbors to earn extra money.

Camping and swimming were favorite activities for many. Several students were involved in short-term missions trips with their churches. Trips to Portsmouth, Virginia and New York City for inner-city missions were taken. Roanoke City Missions Week was an evangelistic outreach for the youth at Shenandoah.

Family vacation times were eagerly anticipated. Going to the beach was a favorite activity for many. Some took friends so the fun could be shared. Weekend activities with family and friends were also popu-

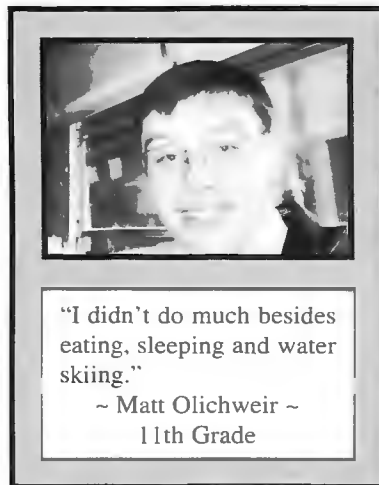
lar. Many students could be found at Smith Mountain Lake skiing, swimming, or boating.

As the summer progressed, students began planning for the new school year. Some say that the summer went by too fast, while others were glad to be back in the swing of things, but all agreed a break was needed!



**WEeping WILLOW.** With a tear of goodbye for an old friend, Mrs. Updike manages a smile before the tree outside the science lab is cut down. The diseased tree, which had been used by Mrs. Updike for students who did "too much talking," had to be cut down before school started.

**ON A MISSION.** Sarah Motley took a missions trip with her youth group from First Baptist Church to Portsmouth, Virginia. The youth department participated along with Fairwood Agape Baptist Church in Portsmouth to teach Vacation Bible School to the inner-city kids in the area.



**HANGING AROUND.** Sixth grader Ben Motley prepares to take a brave jump on the high ropes course. Athletic endeavors such as these are greatly enjoyed and sought after by the students.





**HANGING BY A "SWING."** The rope swing by the swimming hole brings smiles to anyone's face. Amy Pierce realizes the truth of this statement as she takes a turn.

**HIGH HOPES.** Nia Douglas "gears up" to go on the ropes course at Camp Eagle. The swing at the end of the course was a favorite among the seniors.



"I got closer to the girls by doing the "BOOM-TAT" in the middle of the girls' cabin."

~ Whitney Penn ~

**HEAD OVER WHEELS.** Tim Spencer soars over the handlebars after one of his many jumps. A small ramp was built at the edge of the donut hole and was very popular . . . until the bicycle chain fell off.



**ROCKING THE BOAT.** "FLIP 'EM!" Matthew Hawkins listens to the cries of his classmates as Alisha Brown and Gabriel Rexrode beg for mercy. Even though they had all of their clothes on and the seniors were just a few short hours from leaving, being the devious character that Matt is, he had them . . .



**... FLIPPING OUT.** As the girls are thrown under the surface, Gabe makes one last effort to keep herself from being immersed in the muddy water. Needless to say, they were not happy campers. Unseen on the shore, Linda Overstreet seeks revenge on Matt by grabbing a fist full of dirt and preparing to throw it at him.



**"BUNKED" TOGETHER.** One of the things seniors will remember most about the retreat are the things that happened in the cabins. Several of the seniors huddle together on the bunk to record the occasion.



"Senior Retreat was a great chance to spend time with people in my class. Some of these people had been my friends for a long time, and others I got to know better."

~ Ben Ward ~

**HAVING A BALL.** On the last day of the senior retreat, members of the class could be found doing various things such as playing volleyball, swimming, and jumping on the trampoline. Volleyball became very competitive as the seniors pitted their skills against one another.





**WATER LOGGED.** After jumping off of the ramp, Jamie Brennenman emerges from the water for just one more run. Phil Powell, Camp Director, worked with Mr. Colston on the retreat, allowing the seniors to use his bicycle for the water ramp, coordinating the ropes course, and teaching sound effects with his favorite song, "Who is King of the Jungle?"

**JUMP AROUND.** Dorenda McGuire and Libby Shiffer take a bow after "jumping around" for a while. Everyone in the class loved the trampoline, whether they were just sitting around telling scary stories in the middle of the night or doing flips and other things a person normally wouldn't be able to do on the ground. Having fun on the trampoline is also a great way to exercise.



**SABOTAGE.** James Masterson, Ben Clark, and Jamie Breneman splash Michelle Hightower, an innocent bystander who was mercilessly dragged into the water by the three guys.

# Making Connections

*The senior retreat was a time for the class to come closer together*

by ALISHA CLARKE

On August 27-28, the senior retreat was held at Camp Eagle. From day one, the class of '98 has been recognized as a class with extreme diversity. Because of this diversity, the manner in which these seniors bonded was different from any other class. The sharing time was not a time when everyone poured out their souls and ended with a big group hug. Instead, this senior class joked about "emotional scars" they had left on one another. Comments such as, "You called me fat in the eighth grade and it really hurt my feelings!" echoed from the voices of the class.

Bonding took place not in the circle, but in every other

aspect of the retreat. Whenever the seniors look back, the memories will be of Jamie Breneman, Garrett Suhr, and Tim Spencer jumping the camp director's bike off a homemade ramp into the doughnut hole. The games "Mingle" and



"Wink" were also favorites at the retreat. No one ever imagined that Nia Douglas, just to win some candy, would jump into Joe Hollandsworth's arms as Mr. Colston shouted out the final number in "Mingle."

Throughout the pitch black night, students could be found spending time getting to know each other better. Some students just hung out on the trampoline telling scary stories or

sat out in the field looking at the stars. Whether a person was at the trampoline, on the beach, or at the swimming hole, connections were made and memories were born in the hearts of the senior class.



"It was relaxing to steal away into the woods and get to know each other and ourselves, but the best was MINGLE!"

~ Emily Halsey ~



# Beyond the Textbook

*Leaving behind the written word, students are given the opportunity to get hands-on experience*

by JENNIFER ATKINS

Each year field trips are taken, allowing the students to get out of school and explore various fields. Teachers attempt to provide trips with a wide variety of interest to give the students a visual perspective on their textbook studies.

The freshmen went to Old Salem and saw historic landmarks of long ago. This proved to be a disappointing trip for many because of the weather. Rain fell throughout the day as students dashed from building to building.

The sophomores visited Washington where they were given worksheets with questions to answer at each site they visited. They went to the National Zoo, where some groups had difficulty finding all the animals. One group

never did find the panda bear. The students also toured the National Aquarium, the Smithsonian, and the Air and Space Museum.

The junior class toured Colonial Williamsburg, Jamestown, and Yorktown. People in authentic costumes acted, worked, and lived as though it was the 17th or 18th century, showing the students how they cooked their food, started fires, made candles, loaded guns or cannons, and took care of animals. The students also saw what was inside the ships colonists used when they came from Europe.

The senior class also traveled to Washington, where they were able to see the past and present aspects of our government. They saw the documents

on which our nation was founded: the Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and the Declaration of Independence. The class was also able to sit in on a session of the House. A highlight was having a picture taken with Bob Goodlatte.

Overall the classes had a good time and enjoyed the break from the everyday style of learning by the textbook.



"I enjoyed learning more about our government with my class."  
~ Mary Childress ~  
Senior



**WHAT'S THAT?** Josh Foster, K. C. Gilbert, and Tiffany Dobbs look on with interest as the tour guide explains the herbs used during the Revolutionary War.



**LISTENING INTENTLY.** Erin Assaid and Erica Noble listen as a colonial Williamsburg guide shares with the students about the form of government used in the early days of America's history. The capitol building was the first stop of the day in the tour and the temperature was chilly enough that students shivered as they waited and wished they had worn warmer clothing.

**HANGING AROUND.** The sophomores making up this group enjoy the opportunity to spend time with each other as they visit the science museums in Washington. In the National Aquarium, the class saw many types of sea creatures with varying habitats. When leaving the museum, the students were able to buy T-shirts and other memorabilia from the street vendors in the area.





**CAUGHT RED-HANDED.** Erin Assaid and Jessica Rakes are stuck in the stockades. In the colonial days of Williamsburg those who had broken laws were placed in the stockades for the day as a form of public humiliation.



**THE CAPTAIN'S CREW.** K. C. Gilbert, Rebecca Bryant, Gina Guthrie, and Chris Crawford tour the deck of a ship. The boat is a replica of one on which the colonists traveled to America. The students were able to go below deck and see the cramped and rough conditions the people endured in order to obtain freedom.

"The trip to Old Salem was a great experience to see how the people lived in that day."

~ Josh DeLong ~  
Freshman



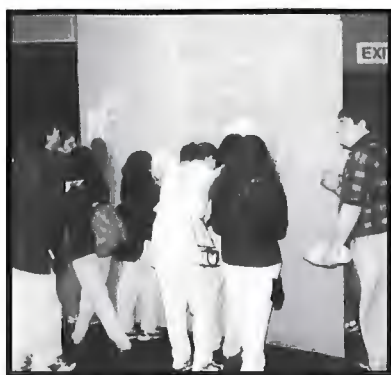
**WITH THE TOP GUY.** The senior class sits on the steps of the capitol building with Congressman Goodlatte. Goodlatte is a newly-elected member of the House of Representatives and represents the district in which many of the students live. He is best known for his conservative viewpoint on many issues.

**THIS IS HOW IT'S DONE.** An Indian guide shares how the Indians around Jamestown made canoes. Mr. Colston, John Kraemer, Bryan Ferguson, Naomi Simmons, and Jana Smoot look on with curious expressions as the guide explains how the wood is slowly burned, then carved to obtain the desired shape.



**HAVING FUN.** Leanna Hollandsworth and Eva Jones enjoy each other's company in D. C. The students saw vendors selling T-shirts, watches, and sunglasses.

**NICE FUR.** Joy Bellows looks at the furs used to make necessities in the 18th century. The hides were tanned and treated for different uses by the colonists.



**WHAT'S THE ANSWER?** Paul Causey searches through the material posted on the wall as Matthew Ratliff waits patiently. Filling out questionnaires insured that the students saw everything Mrs. Updike planned for the trip.

"I enjoyed getting closer to my friends, and the mall was awesome."

~ Amanda Halsey ~  
Sophomore





**WORKING HARD.** Karen Chilton sponge paints the wall covering for the junior jungle. Room decoration is considered one of the hardest parts of Spirit Week and takes more work to complete.



**TAKING A SHOT.** Jon Fullmer shows off his talent in pool at Laser Venture while waiting for his turn at the laser tag competition. Representatives from each class dodged laser rays and attempted to overpower their opponents in the black lights of the game area. Playoffs between the juniors and the sophomores resulted in a win for the juniors, but the real competition was between the faculty chaperones as they donned reflective vests and took laser shots at each other.

**GOING ALL OUT.** Ben Ward definitely shows his school spirit during Spirit Week with his creative use of red and white. Ben and Rebecca Wright won first place for the senior class in the dress-up competition for that day, while students tried to carry everything they could find that was either red or white.

# High-Spirited Action

*Competition heats up as new challenges are issued during Spirit Week*

by ANNA ZIMMERMAN

Spirit Week '98 will be remembered as an unusual week of fun and competition. Many things about this week remained the same, and as always, wearing jeans to school was a favorite among the students. Room decorations, gym posters, and dress-up days remained an integral part of the week, but a new twist was added by the Student Senate, led by President Ben Ward, as classes challenged each other in a variety of sports. Activities were scheduled each day to earn points for the class competition. Students participated in sports such as Laser Tag, soccer, basketball, fozzball, ping pong, and chess.



Threatened by heavy rains, ice, flood watches, and various storms spawned by *El Niño*, the week resulted in shortened school days. Fitting all the activities into an already full schedule became quite a challenge.

As the week drew to a close, it became necessary to cancel all of the basketball games scheduled for Friday due to bad weather. Tallying final scores became a very difficult job, significantly increasing the opportunity for errors. Additional activities, such as volleyball, a jelly bean guess, and a bonus three point shot, were scheduled to gain extra points. When

the results were announced the sophomore class had won by a small margin. After the results were checked the following week, it was discovered that the competition was actually won by the junior class, proving once again that in close competitions, even the smallest things make a difference.



"I thought the idea of playing chess during Spirit Week was a good one."  
~ Justin Presson ~  
10th grade





**WRITING IT OUT.** Jessica Rakes writes out each name of the junior class for the door decoration. All the hard work of this class paid off when they took first place in room decoration.



**STRIKING A POSE.** Garrett Suhr is judged on his attire from the 70's. Seniors made excellent choices this year when deciding who should represent their class on the various dress-up days.



**FOOTBALL FANS.** Mrs. Lawrence and Mrs. Updike support Sports Day by posing as members of their favorite team.



**MEASURING UP.** Ben Allis and Justin Price make sure that everything is perfect before beginning construction on the waterfall. Sophomores put in many hours of hard work and gained a sense of unity among classmates as they came in a close second for room decorations and for Spirit Week.



**PICTURE PERFECT.** Aaron Shelton and Courtney Waldron dress in their finest on Dress-Up Day. Class competition is traditionally more difficult for the freshmen as they compete for the first time in high school.



"The room turned out much better than any of us had expected. We were really proud of our accomplishments."

~ Martha Haines ~  
9th grade

**FINISHING TOUCHES.** Michelle Tankersley works on the childhood scene created in the senior room while Jamie Breneman assists. The seniors showed their anticipation for graduation by using their accomplishments as a theme. Many seniors found this time an emotional one as it was their last Spirit Week.



**LOOKING BACK.** Molly Ison, Greg Smith, and Tiffany Tankersley go back to other times on Decade Day. Choosing themes for each day and then dressing up to reflect that theme is just one of the many fun activities classes participate in each year.



**A TEAR OF LOVE.** Mr. and Mrs. Ward hug their son, Ben Ward, following the announcement of the winner of the school superlatives. Ben plans to attend Oral Robert's University where he will study computer science as he prepares to go on the mission field.



**EYES FORWARD.** It was hard getting a picture with all of the superlatives looking at the same camera. The superlatives stood together at the close of the ceremony for parents and friends to get pictures. Then all of the superlatives went out to eat together afterwards.



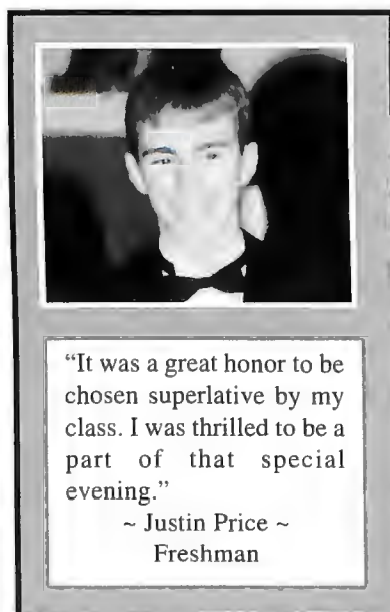
**CURTAIN CALL.** Before the final call for lights out, all of the superlatives gathered together to line up for the ceremony. This group, chosen from the entire student body, represented those who best lived a Godly life before their peers. As the ceremony began, they took a quick time out for prayer together.

**CAREFULLY PLACING.** Mr. Brown honors the School Superlatives, Mary Childress and Ben Ward. Each school superlative received a Jefferson Cup in recognition of the occasion. Mary also received a tiara, which was placed very carefully in an effort to avoid musing her hair.



**FOREVER FRIENDS.** Mary Childress and Valerie Terry have been close friends since they were in ninth grade. Before the ceremony they spent the afternoon together getting ready. Their friendship made the evening more special for them.

**HA! HA!** Garrett Suhr and Valerie Terry join the laughter when Mr. Hollins announce during the student biographies that Garrett is a parking attendant.



**PRECIOUS MOMENTS.** Ben Ward and Mary Childress walk through the archway while being announced as School Superlatives. These seniors greatly deserved the honor brought by this recognition.



# God-Honoring Lives

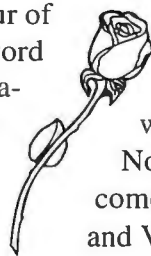
*Class superlatives are chosen by students for their Godly lifestyle and outstanding testimonies*

by VALERIE TERRY

Each underclass chose one guy and one girl to represent them in the Superlatives Ceremony. They were chosen for their Godly lifestyle and testimonies. The senior class elected two guys and two girls, with one of each being the school superlative. All four of the chosen seniors gave a word of testimony in the superlative chapel. The students then voted on who would best represent the school. Despite the upsetting cancellation of the basketball games on the night of superlatives, spending time competing with classmates for the conclusion of Spirit Week was a great alternative.

As Mr. Hollins explained the ceremony, the superlatives were very anxious. Lacey

Wiseman and Josh Ginter were ready as he FINALLY announced the freshmen superlatives. Next were the sophomores, Justin Price and Amanda Halsey, who have been great friends since they were young. Juniors



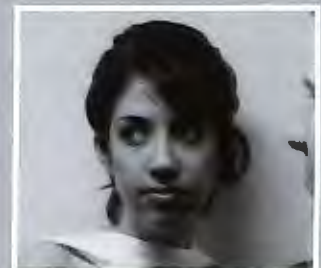
Rebecca Lockhart and Jon Fullmer were prepared as they both walked out with big smiles.

Not knowing who would come next, Mary Childress and Valerie Terry, both really good friends, were each hoping the other would win. The four seniors, Mary Childress, Valerie Terry, Garrett Suhr, and Ben Ward, prayed together. Mr. Hollins announced Valerie Terry and Garrett Suhr as senior superlatives. Mary and Valerie hugged as they

stepped out on the runway. Screaming and roaring, a great recognition from the student body, was heard from the crowd as the 1998 school superlatives were announced as Mary Childress and Ben Ward.

"It was a great honor to be chosen with my really close friends. It was a lot of fun, except when I was poked in the head with the crown."

~ Mary Childress ~  
Senior



**A MOMENT IN TIME.** Pausing in the spotlight, seniors Mary Childress and Ben Ward wait for Mr. Hollins to finish reading their biographies. These school superlatives were recognized by the high school students as being outstanding in their Christ-like walk. The school superlatives were given a Jefferson Cup in addition to the roses all of the superlatives received.

**NERVOUS ANTICIPATION.** Justin Price and Amanda Halsey nervously wait during the preparation of the gym. Following the games and class competition, the gym had to be set up for the candlelight ceremony held to recognize the superlatives and their parents.



**SPEAKING OUT.** In preparation for his speech, Garrett Suhr sat in his car for an hour the night before, finding a place where he could be alone. Much prayer and thought was put into the speeches.







**WHAT A RIDE!** Molly Perkinson and Debbie Turkington collapse at the bottom of the hill. An inflatable sled plus a closed ski slope equals great temptation.

**COME ON, DUDE.** Alisha Brown and Linda Overstreet dress for fun wintry activities, ranging from ice skating to snowmobiling at the Word of Life Institute.



"The trip's a great chance to get to know your class better, and best of all is no school and gettin' to flee the state."

~ Amy Pierce ~

**HIT THE SLOPES!** Ben Ward, Garrett Suhr, Daniel Stephens, and Tim Spencer are prepared to take on a black diamond. These men proved their bravery by tackling the toughest slope on the mountain. Most of the students stayed on the beginner and intermediate trails.



**IT'S COLD OUT THERE.** Amy Rumbley, Marc Flack, Ryan Allman, Daniel Stephens, and Nathan Blankenship relax in the cafe at the Statue of Liberty. Several students passed up the opportunity to climb the statue because of long lines and limited time, electing instead to enjoy hot chocolate and snacks.



"The senior trip is a good place to meet new people."

~ Jamie Breneman ~

**GIRLS NIGHT OUT.** On Thursday, Erin Necessary, Amy Rumbley, Nia Douglas, Rebecca Long, and Emily Halsey dress up for the evening meal at Word of Life. The seniors enjoyed the banquet which was followed by a time of commitment during the final service.

**WHO GOT FIRST?** This group of men take their place on the winner's block at Lake Placid. The platform stood below the ski jumps used in 1932 and 1980 for the Winter Olympics. The jumps are used today for practice by teams preparing for competition.



**SLAPSTICK TIME.** Derek McKinney, Michelle Hightower, Ben Vlug, and Tim Spencer found hockey sticks, but were forced to play with no skates since the camp only provided figure skates.





**HERE THEY ARE.** The class joins together for the traditional group picture on the last evening at Word of Life. Seniors are asked to bring dress-up clothes for the final evening as the inn prepares a banquet in honor of all the seniors attending that week. Many spent time together afterwards in the lobby talking, singing, and simply having a good time with one another.

**WHAT A PAIR.** Michelle Hightower and Jennifer Atkins take a break after eating their box lunch provided by Word of Life for the day of skiing at Gore Mountain. Jennifer took time to show Michelle the basics of skiing. The seniors were able to practice their skills at various levels ranging from the beginner trails to the black diamond trails.



**TIME WELL SPENT.** Nia Douglas and Sarah Baker hang out together. Seniors enjoyed the free time on their last night at Word of Life before leaving for New York City the next morning.



# The Empire State

*Excitement buzzed in the air as the seniors loaded the bus after the evening church service*

by JENNIFER ATKINS

The all-night trip on the bus was the beginning of a fun-filled week centered around the snow camp activities of Word of Life. The seniors arrived about noon on Monday, and lost no time in settling into their rooms and becoming acquainted with the facilities at the inn.

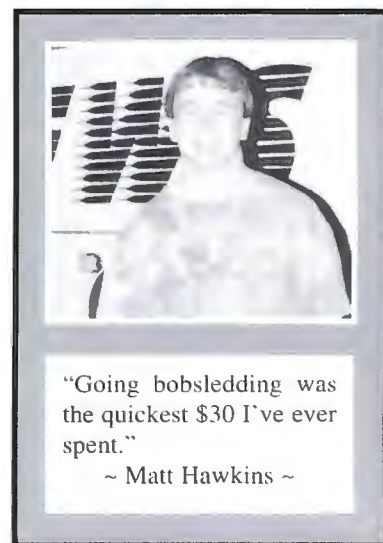
In the evenings the class was challenged with great messages by Ric Garland, the guest speaker for the week. A variety of activities were scheduled during the week, including skiing on Gore Mountain where about half of the class opted to just hang around and go sledding or tubing; going to Word of Life Bible Institute where they could go snowmobiling, ice skating, and horseback riding; and going to Lake Placid to see the ski jumps, the Olympic ice



skating rinks, and the bobsled-ding course. Some of the students took the ride down the icy, half-mile chute. Lake Placid offered shopping opportunities as well, so the students came back with great deals on clothes, interesting hats, and new hair colors and styles.

On Friday morning the bus took off for New York City as the seniors eagerly anticipated seeing *Phantom of the Opera*. On Saturday the students were off to see the city: the Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building, Chinatown and Little Italy. Jane, their very New York tour guide led them through everything "fast and focused." The trip was quickly coming to a close, and although the seniors had a wonderful time they were ready to go home. The bus trip

was only broken by a stop in Pennsylvania to attend a Baptist church. Just before arriving home later that evening, the seniors cheered as they were told they could sleep late on Monday.





# Making Memories

*Time spent with friends gives us special moments to remember forever*

by JENNIFER ATKINS

When the school day ends, students have no problem finding things to fill up their free time. Friends enjoy spending an evening eating and playing together. Some of the high schoolers involve themselves in their youth group, mission outreaches, and Bible studies. Others enjoy talking on the phone or going to the mall and shopping. Their time is also spent practicing musical instruments and getting together to play sports. Going over to friends' houses is a great time to rest and just have fun.

It is always nice to have days off from school for breaks or snow days when one looks out the window of their house and finds the ground covered in white. During these times

vacations are taken so students can relax and get a break from school. Snowball fights, sledding, and skating are popular ways to enjoy this time at home. Some youth groups or friends go on ski trips, and everyone enjoys the chance to sleep in.



Once they are old enough to work, most students try to find jobs. These places vary depending on what students like and who is hiring. A large variety of Roanoke's businesses -- Juxtapose, The Waffle House, K-Mart, Hallmark, McDonald's, Hechts, Structure, The Candle Store, American Eagle, and Dairy Queen -- have student employees from this school.

At the end of the year, multiple parties are planned to cel-

ebate. Senior parties are special because these get-togethers could be the last time some classmates will be together. At the parties, differences are put aside, and everyone joins in to have fun together. These memories of all the fun times students have had will last for many years in the future.

"I enjoy sticking my head in the microwave and the dryer."

~ Daniel Stephens ~  
12th grade



**TURN LEFT.** Dusty Martin and Matthew Ratliff look at a city map during the time the Shenandoah Baptist Church youth group visits teen contacts.



**SWEET VOICES.** Renee Dennis and Rebecca Lockhart prepare to sing for a ladies luncheon at Colonial Baptist Church. These girls were part of a group who prepared special music for the luncheon which was held during spring break. Both young ladies are juniors and also sing in the Shenandoah Baptist Church Youth Choir, as well as the SBC Youth Praise Team.

**RACING RAPIDS.** Ben Allis rushes down a raging river. Ben enjoys being out in nature and participating in many outdoor activities, such as camping, kayaking, and hiking. The Allis family enjoy outdoors activities and, in addition to taking family outings in the wild, has on occasion taken larger groups of young people on overnight camping and canoeing trips.





**PASS IT ON.** Members and alumni of the yearbook staff play a game of "Hot Potato" with a water balloon. The "lucky" person who was caught with the balloon when time ran out got to have it thrown at them from someone across the circle. The staff enjoyed an end-of-the-year birthday party for Mrs. Chilton at her home.



**MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE.** Naomi Simmons and Seth Johnson sing Christmas carols as Rebecca Lockhart accompanies them on the piano. They were part of a larger group who enjoyed a progressive dinner during the Christmas season.

"I enjoy playing my guitar and writing."

~ Stacie Gray ~  
11th grade



**ABOUT FACES.** Alisha Brown pops her head into the room while Sarah Baker gives a look of disgust at the gift she received. Jonathan Polar relaxes on the couch after the seniors exchanged white elephant gifts at Mr. Grooten's Christmas party.



"I like to shop, to talk, and to watch movies."

~ Christin Smart ~  
9th grade



**BUNNY BEN.** Linda Overstreet, Amy Pierce, and Alisha Brown enjoy their time together as Angela Brooks puts rabbit ears on an unsuspecting Ben Ward. The seniors played Family Feud, sang songs, and watched a BORING movie at a class Christmas party.

**SNOWBUNNIES.** This group of young people and youth leaders from Shenandoah Baptist Church are dressed and prepared to hit the slopes. Many enjoy a fun day of skiing or snowboarding. The SBC youth group usually takes a couple of day ski trips during January and February to various ski resorts in West Virginia.

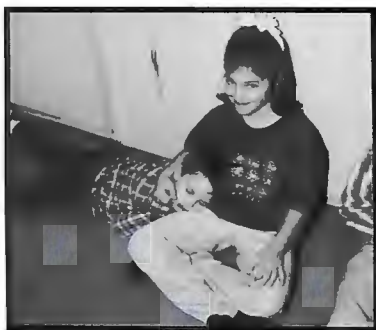


**RAKING IN THE DOUGH.** Jessica Rakes mixes the batter for more "Shamrock Snacks" to raise money for her mission trip to the Republic of Ireland.

**KIDS AT HEART.** These youth Sparks leaders enjoy working with children as well as being with one another.







**ALL TUCKERED OUT.** Much free time is spent in the gym. Whether the activity is a scheduled sports function or simply a group of friends playing ball together, one can almost always find action in the gym. Third grader Kristen Price won't be going anywhere for awhile, at least until Ben Halsey finishes his nap!



**LOOKING FOR TROUBLE.** All signs of stress and worry are gone as this group of middle school friends relaxes and enjoys the company of friends at Camp Eagle during summer vacation. As shown in their faces, these students possess an inner peace and joy obtained by their love of Christ and ability to have fun, or even occasionally make trouble together.

**HANGING OUT.** Kindergartner Timothy Hawkins enjoys a warm spring day relaxing on the playground after school. Many students stay on campus and relax after the final bell while waiting for a ride home. Others participate in the after-school program provided by the Children's Center. These young people enjoy snacks and play time together each day before going home.

# Play Time

*The elementary and middle school students of RVCS look forward to food, friends, and fun*

by MARY CHILDRESS

The hands of the clock slowly stretch for 3:10. The bell rings and the hallways are instantly flooded with a tangled mass of bookbags, papers, and students. Each of these students shares one goal: to reach the door and their parents' cars as fast as possible.

Many of these do not reach this goal, but drop their books to the ground and run to the soccer field where many a competition ensues. Laughter and smiles of relaxation overtake the stress of the day as the elementary and middle school students of Roanoke Valley Christian Schools begin their daily activities.



A high priority of the students is described by one simple word: "food!" Many students will hurry to an ice cream stand or hit the drive-thrus until they can get home and eat even more! Home-cooked meals are a favorite,

followed by visits to favorite restaurants. Almost every elementary and middle school student say one of the things they most look forward to every day is time spent eating a good meal with family or friends, especially when the food is followed by devotions.

Among the elementary and middle school students is a great love for one another and

their time spent together, whether playing, praying, eating, or even sleeping! No matter what the activity, each day is spent with great joy and love for the Savior.



"I love to go to the malls and shop with my friends on the weekends. We have so much fun!"

~ Amber Handy ~



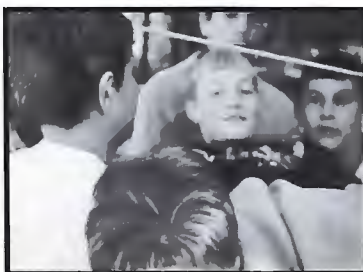


**FUN AND GAMES.** Gathered in the school cafeteria for Wednesday night youth group, this bunch of middle schoolers has a wonderful time together. Youth group activities are a positive highlight for many of these students as they learn more about Christ through fun and fellowship.



**SPICE OF LIFE.** Sixth grader Gary Jenkins bravely bites into a banana pepper during a contest with friends to see who can endure the spice the longest.

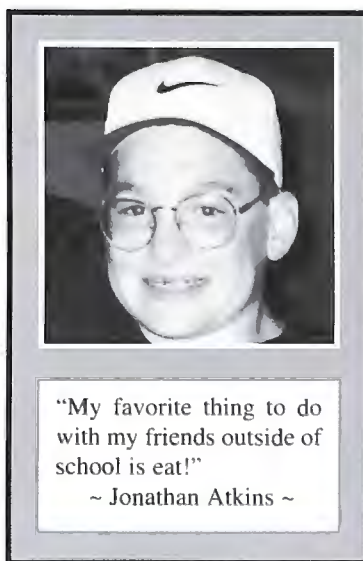
**JUST PASSING THROUGH.** These boys take turns passing each other through an obstacle called "the spiders web," a game in which each person is passed through the ropes without touching any.



**INSIDE OUT.** Sixth grader Joshua Amos spends free time with Scott Whitley, a close friend and an alumni of the school. Many friendships such as this one exist between students and older friends, providing the opportunity to grow, as well as have a great time together!



**MALE BONDING.** These elementary school students seem to have found a new meaning to the term "male bonding". Together they struggle to rescue their friend from a much bigger villain, camp counselor Tony Martin. Attending camp together in the summer cements friendships that form throughout the school year.



**PEAS IN A POD.** Friends Kristen Ferrell and Katie Farmer spend a lazy summer afternoon on a tubing trip with a camp group. Simple activities such as these can be foundational in a friendship, building stories to share and memories to last a lifetime.

**TO THE TOP.** With a heart-felt grin, first grader Justin Piraino struggles to climb to the top of the slide despite gravity's pull. From the looks of his pants he has already experienced a battle with gravity and lost, yet dirt can not cover the joy coming from this face!





**PATIENTLY WAITING.** Cara Motes and Megan Hart wait patiently for their turn to participate. These seventh graders welcome a break from all their hard work to play games during the activity period.



**CALCULATIONS.** Mr. Park averages the grade of his student, Jonathan Atkins, during game time. Most middle school teachers are willing to help students average grades in an effort to stay on top of the grading system.



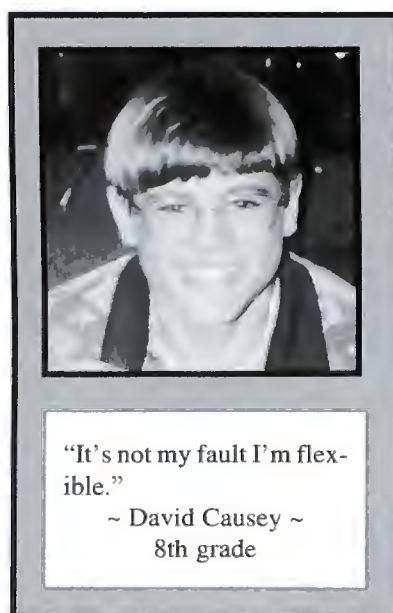
**THE LINEUP.** Savannah Roach, Curtis Gearhart, Julie Fullmer, and Faith Bennett stand at the front of the room and wait to play "Seven Up." Miss Law is always able to come up with creative ideas to make learning more interesting, and playing games is a fun way to get the students to exercise their brains.

**SITTING DOWN.** Deidre Brown, Grant Swartzendruber, and Luke Hellkamp join the circle to play games. Changing the Friday afternoon society time into an activity period for games brought a favorable response from the students, who are always quick to enliven any activity.



**GETTING OUT.** Sarah Zimmerman runs down the playground slide while the sixth graders enjoy a break. Getting out in the sunshine helps students release the wiggles so they won't be so restless sitting in class.

**ANSWER TIME.** Jeremy Fryar works diligently on his test paper. Striving to do their best academically is important to most students.



**PATIENTLY WAITING.** Mr. King's sixth grade class waits in line by the school to go out on the playground. Even though they are now a part of middle school, these students still enjoy the remnants of recess carried over from elementary school.



# A Change of Pace

*Game days replaced society meetings as middle school students looked for variety*

by ANNA ZIMMERMAN



Middle school is an in-between time when students are no longer in elementary school but have not yet reached high school. They long for independence but must rely on adults for money and transportation. Many hours are spent with friends, whether talking on the phone or just being together.

Due to a lack of interest, the decision was made to end societies during this school year. At the beginning of the year the group with the most points went to play lazar tag. Students are still encouraged to wear their society T-shirts on Fridays, and if they do, they are allowed to wear jeans. In place of the usual activities they have a game time during



high school class meetings. Many students enjoy this substitution because of the opportunity to talk with friends and have a break from routine.

Among other activities these students enjoy is a music chapel led by Mrs. Collins. This event gives students the chance to get out of a regular classroom setting and praise God through music. The Christmas bowling party is also anticipated by the students because they

are allowed to leave campus and can enjoy socializing with friends.

Seventh graders experience having a locker for the first time. Sixth graders start getting used to the process of changing classes, and eighth

graders enjoy being on top for a change. Latin has been offered this year as an elective language. Overall, these students are satisfied with being themselves and enjoying time with friends.



"It is a lot better playing games in the classroom. Societies were getting boring."

~ Brittney Zimmerman ~  
8th Grade

**THREE MUSKETEERS.** Hollie Austin, Jessica Bowles, and Nola Gregory stand in a circle on the playground to talk and share secrets. Building friendships and sharing together is an important part of the well-being of students. Time away from class gives an opportunity for students to develop good social skills and to relate to one another.

**READING UP.** Hannah Foster and Sarah Pugh listen quietly as Ashley Rorrer reads a page from her book. Some middle school teachers gave students a choice of playing games or just talking quietly during society time. This change of pace from a well-filled schedule is a welcome relief to the students.



**THUMBS UP.** John Buchanan waits quietly at his desk while playing "Seven Up" with his classmates. Game time was a welcome alternative for societies this year.







**TUTI FRUTIE.** Sam Thomas and his date drink the fruity punch that was served. The punch was made from bananas, strawberries, and other fruits.

**STREAMING THROUGH.** Michelle Tankersley and Marvin Haines struggle to enter. The streamers proved to be quite a challenge for most of the seniors.



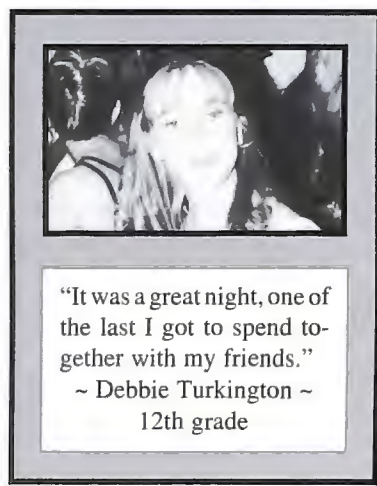
"Oh no! Do you have to take my picture?"  
~ Nikki Tilley ~  
Senior

**BIG HAIR DAY.** Angie Walton is a popular hairstylist for those who are seeking a special look. Alisha Clarke was able to get an appointment with Angie, who tortured Alisha's hair until it achieved just that look. In spite of how it appears, Alisha's hair looked great at the banquet!



**TEA ANYONE?** Molly Ison, Jennie Ayers, and Dinisha Brown gather together at the Mill Mountain Coffee and Tea following the banquet. Several students, still dressed in formal attire, stopped by the Roanoke City Market to continue the festivities of the evening.

**MM-MM GOOD.** After dinner, Derek McKinney and his date prepare to enjoy the slide presentation. Slides are made by Mr. Tankersley from photos brought in by the seniors. These include formal and baby pictures. Some of these slides are then used as part of the graduation ceremonies to be shared with family and friends who come to celebrate this milestone of the seniors.



"It was a great night, one of the last I got to spend together with my friends."  
~ Debbie Turkington ~  
12th grade



**STEPPING UP.** Jana Smoot, Bob Angove, Renee Dennis, and Jon Fulmer climb the stairs to the reception area.



**PHOTO SESSION.** Arriving early for formal pictures, the students find that this time is also good for taking candid pictures. As students arrive, friends group together and flash bulbs go off as students record the event. Hotel Roanoke provides many beautiful settings for group pictures.





**CURTAIN CALL.** Nathan Blankenship escorts radiant Megan Weaver into the Shenandoah Room as the seniors and their dates are announced prior to the banquet dinner. Punch was served as the students were kept from entering the room until time for the event to begin in order to heighten their anticipation for the evening.

**DECISIONS.** Many students purchase corsages and boutonnieres at Stritesky's because of its close proximity to the school. Flowers are ordered ahead of time and students flood the business on banquet day to pick up their orders. Bob Angove stops by immediately following school to pick up the corsage for his date, Jana Smoot. The refrigerator was filled with boxes of flowers still to be received.



**SENIOR WALK.** Ben Ward enters the banquet room with his date, Rebecca Lockhart. Each senior is announced and presented with a rose, compliments of the junior class.

# Never Say Good-bye

*The close friends you have determine who you really are*

by VALERIE TERRY

*Tonight a curtain closes/  
And we take a final bow/To the  
four years which are fast ending  
now./ Let time slow this  
evening/ For just an hour or  
two/ As we recall the memories/  
That seem, right now, too  
few./Gathered all together/We  
will not say "Goodbye"/For it  
is our thoughts of you that will  
never die.*

On Friday, May fifteenth, the junior class presented the senior class with a night of elegance. The beautiful setting of the Shenandoah Room in Hotel Roanoke fit the theme, "Never Say Good-Bye." The room was beautifully decorated in silver and golden stars, with candles glowing all around. Whether students attended with a date or alone, the evening was en-

joyable, a time to honor the Class of '98.

The juniors and seniors, along with their dates, dressed elegantly for the formal occasion. Students were dismissed from school at noon to give them time to do all the various things necessary for the evening.

The time appeared well-spent, as students arrived dressed in a rainbow of colors.

The evening began with the traditional announcing of the seniors. Each was given a rose as they entered and a photo

album to hold photos of the evening were waiting as they arrived at their tables.

The buffet included: salads, breast of chicken, roasted sirloin, oven roasted potatoes, chef's fresh vegetables, peach

cobbler, apple dumplings with caramel sauce, chocolate fudge cake, coffee, and tea.

After the banquet many people changed clothes to continue the evening. It was a warm and starry evening, a perfect complement to a night of elegance.



"The parties afterward  
were the best part."  
~ Libby Shiffer ~  
Senior



# Moving On

*Not an ending, but rather a beginning*

by ANNA ZIMMERMAN

On June 4th at 8PM the class of '98 gathered together for one last time. Forty-four students were to graduate on this special occasion. The night was anticipated and embraced with tears of joy as well as of sadness. They realized, many for the first time, that their lives would never be the same.

The Valedictorians for this years graduating class were three very deserving young people. Amy Pierce, Ben Clark, and Ben Ward have all done many things to lead not only their class but also the school. They spoke of future plans and reminisced about the past, reflecting on all the happy and sad times they had shared and on the many memories they had made along the way. One thing they emphasized in their

speeches was how choosing to follow Christ and letting Him take control in everyday life was one of the most important decisions they could ever make.

Slides of each class member brought most parents to tears as they saw how their children had grown up and were ready to stand on their own. Their children are about to embark on a journey entering a world beyond RVCS, a world that is not always kind or Godly.

Making it this far is a huge accomplishment, and 95 percent of these students plan to attend college in the fall. Hopefully all will remember what has been instilled in their minds and written in their hearts.

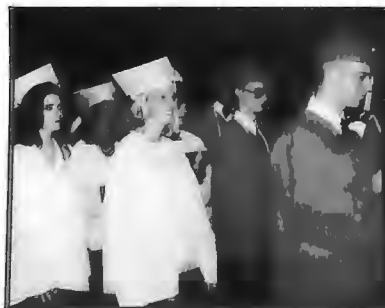
These students were known for their uniqueness. Their differences only helped them throughout their 13 years of school. The road to reach this point was long and hard, but the seniors accomplished it, and they did it together. May God Bless you and keep you and may you always reach for your dreams.



"Graduation was bitter-sweet - saying we're done, but leaving a lot behind."  
~ Jennifer Atkins ~  
12th grade



**THE FINAL STRETCH.** Seniors Vera Jones, Whitney Penn, Rebecca Long, Jonathan Polar, and James Masterson are ready to leave with their diplomas.



**GREAT EXPECTATIONS.** Vera Jones helps Linda Overstreet put her cap on securely. Seniors want everything to be just right for this momentous occasion. The girls had to make sure their caps were on tight and would not fall off during the ceremony.

**PRAISE HIM.** Sarah Baker and Angela Brooks tune their voices one last time before entering the auditorium. Many people from this class are musically talented, and some were able to share their gift and ability during the service.





**LAID BACK.** Justin Zimmerman, Ben Vlug, and Tim Dooley relax before the final call to line up for graduation. While some seniors were frantically making last-minute adjustments to their caps and gowns, these guys kicked back and took advantage of a few extra minutes to lounge around.

**FIRST STEPS.** Gabe Rexrode, Dorenda McGuire, and Marc Flack enter the auditorium at the beginning of graduation. Junior marshals helped seniors to sit in their proper places and to walk down the aisles at the correct time.



"Dr. Bivins' and our classmates' speeches really gave me something to think about."

~ Emily Halsey ~  
12th grade



**ONE LITTLE, TWO LITTLE, THREE LITTLE . . .** graduates! Libby Shiffer, Gabriel Rexrode, and Amy Rumbley line up in the choir room in preparation for the processional. By this time seniors could hardly wait to begin the ceremony, although most were also a little nervous about their future after graduation.

**SUNSHINE FACES.** Michelle Hightower and Debbie Turkington pause for a moment to show their excitement on this special night. Seniors wanted as many pictures as possible with all their classmates because they knew it would be a while, if ever, before they are together again.



**PERFECT FIT.** Alisha Brown makes sure her shoes are on just right before lining up to enter the auditorium. Many girls bought new clothes for this event.

**THANKFUL HEARTS.** Hampton Pasley presents Mr. Colston with a gift from the seniors. Students in the class of '98 loved having him as sponsor.



"It was a lot of fun, but I'm glad it's over."

~ Hampton Pasley ~  
12th grade



**MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!** Tim Dooley and Justin Zimmerman show great relief that this night is finally over. Seniors were proud of the fact that they had worked so hard and come so far as a class.



## Cheerleading - Then and Now



**GROWING UP.** Kids grow up so fast it doesn't seem real that these third and fourth graders are now juniors and seniors. Those little people have grown up to be men and women about to step out into "the real world." Angela Brooks' sweet smile and David Brennehan's wide eyes have matured and changed. The students, new friends, not to mention new styles clothes look-

**FALLING BACK.** Now let's back up a bit. Mr. Colston has been taking field trips to Washington, D. C. for many years. Jill Blankenship and Donna Kirk (Class of '88) demonstrate how fun can happen just about anywhere. Jill is remembered for her great basketball skills.



ing it as if pictures were yesterday, yet have changed innocent little children have grown up to become thinking, hard-working adults. Memories of their childhood will always be sweet, but those times are forever gone, buried in fond recollections.



Michelle Tankersley  
Class of '98



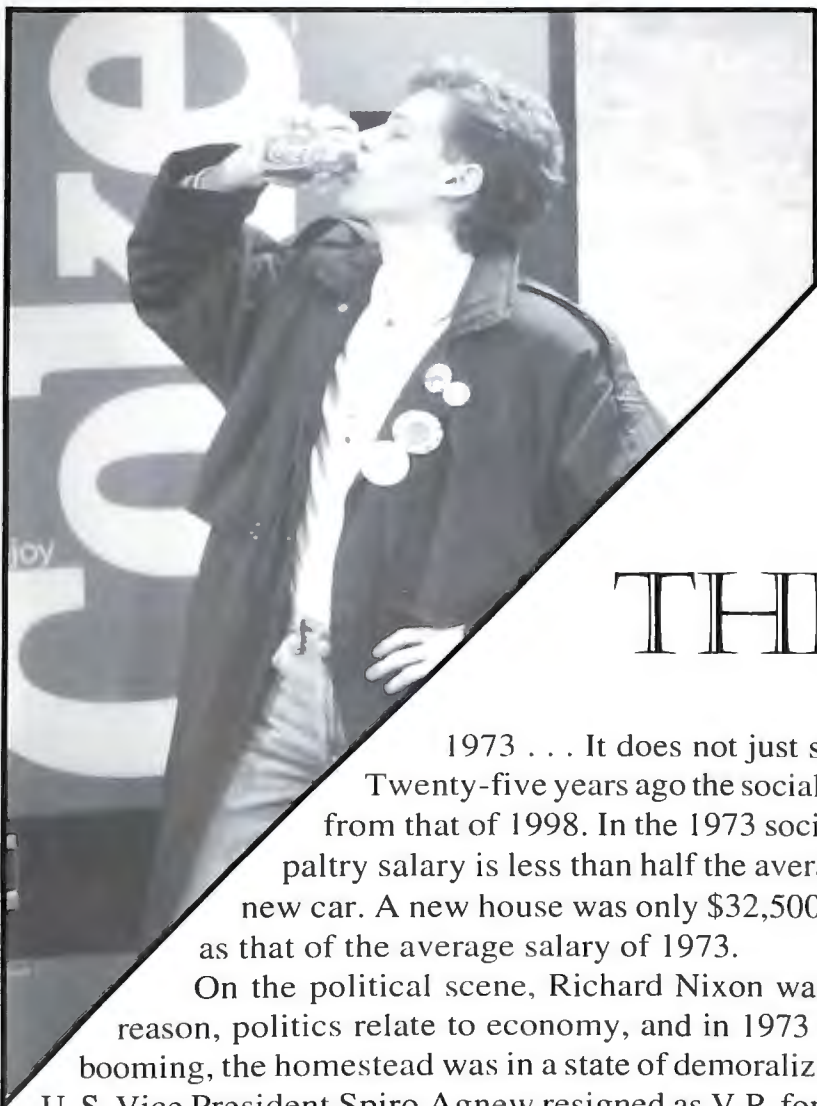
Mark and Katie Smith  
Class of '93



## Spirit Week - Now and Then



**ALWAYS COCA-COLA.** From the time of installation, the high school gym has always been the favorite place to hang out and enjoy the drink machines. Chris Jones (Class of '90) guzzles down the refreshing taste of an icy cold Coke.



## THEN AND NOW

1973 . . . It does not just seem like a different decade, it seems like a different world.

Twenty-five years ago the social and economic status of the United States was lightyears away from that of 1998. In the 1973 society, the average salary was a mere \$12,965.00 per year. This paltry salary is less than half the average salary of 1998. One only needed \$3,950.00 to purchase a new car. A new house was only \$32,500.00. Today the average new car costs about the same amount as that of the average salary of 1973.

On the political scene, Richard Nixon was President and Gerald Ford was Vice President. For some reason, politics relate to economy, and in 1973 the Dow Jones average was 929. Though the economy was booming, the homestead was in a state of demoralization. In 1973, America legalized the practice of abortion and U. S. Vice President Spiro Agnew resigned as V.P. for tax evasion during the years when he was governor. Skylab, the first U.S. space station, was launched into orbit. The Arab oil embargo was creating long lines at gas stations. Finally, on a happier note, the U.S. withdrew its troops from Vietnam.

While America continues to move forward politically, economically, and socially, some things just do not change. The styles of the past seem to keep coming back. Platforms, wide-leg pants, hip-huggers, and go-go boots are just a few of the fashions that have come back to haunt those who grew up in that era. Where does the madness ever end? It is scary to think that the next generation will probably revert back to the styles of the 80s.

During the early 70s Roanoke Valley Christian Schools was born. Starting out as a very small elementary school, it quickly grew and graduated its first class in just five short years. Take a look at the way things were then and how they are now. The groovy do's of the past have given way to the phat do's of today.



## Administration - Now and Then

*Written by Alisha Clarke*



# United Ministries

## Joined together for Christ

By Michelle Tankersley

### REPEAT PERFORMANCE.

Parents have the tendency to return to their hometown and send their children to the same schools they themselves attended. These children of alumni range from preschoolers to 11th graders. Their parents wish for them to receive the same blessings a Christian education provided years ago for them.



**GETTING TOGETHER.** Showing their love for their school, these alumni, Clark Becraft (Class of '87), John Law (Class of '84), Debby Spencer (Class of '85), Lisa Shelor (Class of '90), and Mona Masterson (Class of '86) returned to work at the school so dear to their hearts. Some have children currently enrolled in the school, with the children having some of the same teachers who taught their parents. Not pictured: Kristi Britts (Class of '89), Mary Beth Shelor (Class of '79), and Philip Powell (Class of '90)



### FROM AFAR.

When asked how she came to RVCS, Spanish teacher Senora Long said, "Dr. Craymer came to Ecuador to work. We got acquainted and he told us he taught Spanish at a school called Roanoke Valley Christian."

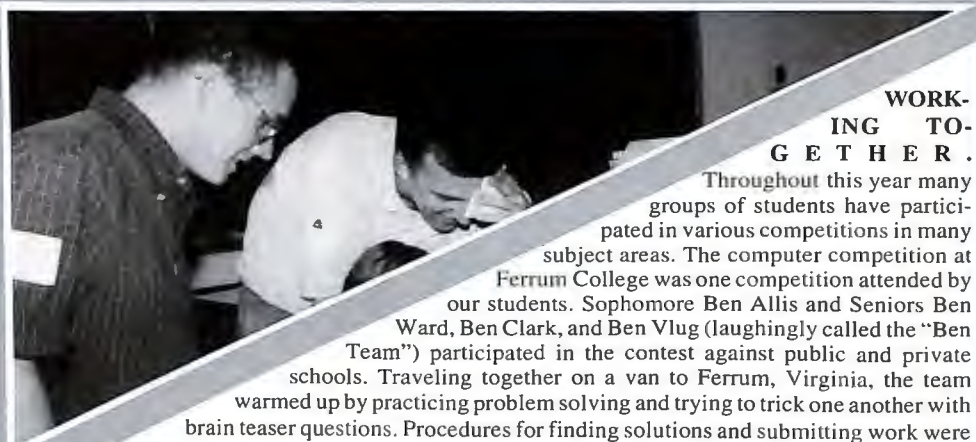
### IN THE MINISTRY.

Hearing about RVCS differently than others, Pastor Albin Cruthfield said, "[I heard] through Carlton Wright and Pastor Alderman when they contacted me to be the first full time Minister of Music."



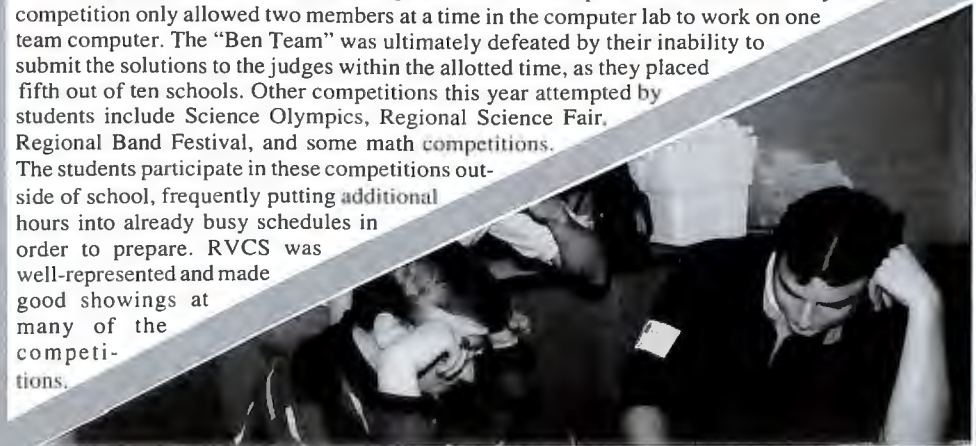
### MAKING A DIFFERENCE.

Miss Roxanne Lawson said, "I had friends at Shenandoah Baptist Church. Steve Futrell asked me every Sunday if I was going to teach for him at RVCS in '76-'77. Here I am!"



### WORKING TOGETHER.

Throughout this year many groups of students have participated in various competitions in many subject areas. The computer competition at Ferrum College was one competition attended by our students. Sophomore Ben Allis and Seniors Ben Ward, Ben Clark, and Ben Vlug (laughingly called the "Ben Team") participated in the contest against public and private schools. Traveling together on a van to Ferrum, Virginia, the team warmed up by practicing problem solving and trying to trick one another with brain teaser questions. Procedures for finding solutions and submitting work were discussed as the team drew closer to the college. This contest was based not only on the academic ability to solve problems, but also on the ability to work as a team in the computer lab. While requiring the team to attempt to solve several problems simultaneously, the competition only allowed two members at a time in the computer lab to work on one team computer. The "Ben Team" was ultimately defeated by their inability to submit the solutions to the judges within the allotted time, as they placed fifth out of ten schools. Other competitions this year attempted by students include Science Olympics, Regional Science Fair, Regional Band Festival, and some math competitions. The students participate in these competitions outside of school, frequently putting additional hours into already busy schedules in order to prepare. RVCS was well-represented and made good showings at many of the competitions.







**ADDING ON.** Many good things come from the construction of the music addition. New offices are built along with soundproof practice rooms for students. The music addition will provide practice room for all of the music groups within the ministry, allowing the old music room to be renovated for use by the senior adults at Shenandoah.



**STANDING TALL.** With the exception of the construction currently in progress, the campus of Shenandoah Baptist Church and Roanoke Valley Christian Schools stand as they do today. The ministry knows the success they have enjoyed is because of God's blessings.



**FIRM FOUNDATIONS.** Shenandoah Baptist Church started as an old farmhouse, dirt roads, and prayer. Through God's provision the church moved from the old annex (now the middle school building) to a new sanctuary (now the secondary building, home of the high school) and finally to the current worship center. The campus has undergone many changes, and those who have been around long enough remember when the old sanctuary was transformed from a stage and long aisles to a library and classrooms. A new worship center, the elementary school building, the gym, and parking lots were added, allowing both the church and the school to thrive.

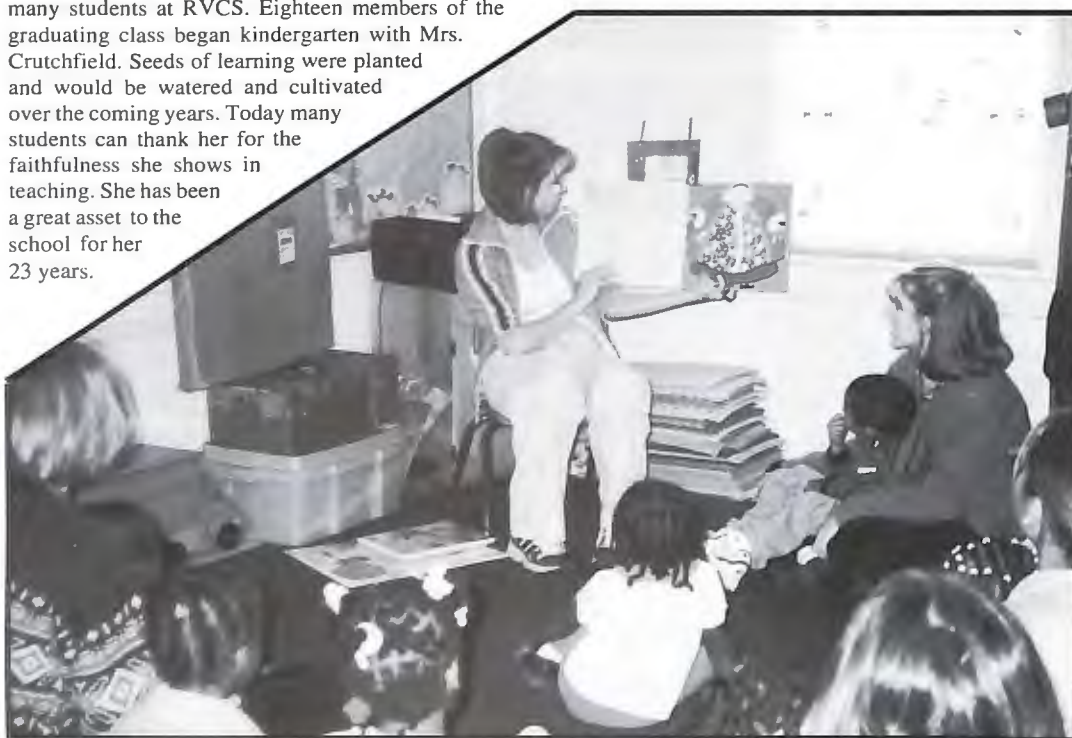




**MRS. CRUTCHFIELD.** This name brings to mind a flood of memories from the beginning of education for many students at RVCS. Eighteen members of the graduating class began kindergarten with Mrs. Crutchfield. Seeds of learning were planted and would be watered and cultivated over the coming years. Today many students can thank her for the faithfulness she shows in teaching. She has been a great asset to the school for her 23 years.



**CHRIST-MINDED.** The faculty and staff sing a song they have sung frequently in devotions this year, "May The Mind Of Christ My Savior." On May 3 special services for the 25th anniversary of the school were held during the Sunday morning worship services. The RVCS ensemble sang "Shine On Us" and the speech and drama class did a short drama on God's faithfulness to the school. The mission statement was also recited and slides were shown covering the 25 years of ministry at the school. After church, a spaghetti luncheon was held for alumni and seniors along with their families. This day allowed many to reflect on the schools' meaning to them and brought back many memories from past years.



**STORY TIME.** Shannon Stamper reads a book to the children at a day care. On a Christian service day in November, students traveled to various locations for ministry. Gina Guthrie holds a small boy in her lap as they attentively listen to the story. These children hunger for love and feel so accepted when someone shows them care. Many students showed their caring spirits on this day by dusting furniture at the Rescue Mission, picking up brush at Camp Eagle, holding a child's hand, or sharing Christ with someone downtown at the Roanoke City Market.



**HEAVENLY FATHER...** Emily Halsey and Rebecca Long pray in the elementary lobby during "Prayer Of The Move." The group met to pray for God's wisdom and protection for the elementary teachers as well as the students, asking for special training in the ways of the Lord. Led by the high school Student Senate, approximately fifteen people participated in this special time of prayer.





**PRECIOUS IN HIS SIGHT.** Senior Nikki Tilley takes time to show love to a small child at Total Action Against Poverty (T.A.A.P.), a reminder of Matthew 19:14 in which Jesus told His disciples: "Let the little children come to me . . ." In an effort to bring the mission field to our school, during the Shenandoah Baptist Church Missions Conference arrangements were made to transport the entire group of middle and high school students to various locations to participate in areas of Christian service. Groups went to T.A.A.P., the Rescue Mission, Camp Eagle, nursing homes, and downtown in order to work with children, help clean, be blessing to the elderly.

erly, and evangelize the lost. Under the leadership of the 1998 Student Senate President, Ben Ward, a second day was scheduled in the spring for the high school students. His idea was a great success. The students enjoyed doing this ministry and were anxious to share their experiences with others when they returned. On the second Christian service day, the band and ensemble were gone on their spring trip, so the groups that went out were smaller. Over 100 students were able to participate in the second outreach. Some of them did the same ministry they had done in November, while others went elsewhere for a different experience.

# F A I T H F U L N E S S 25 years of Atkins



**PRAYER, ANYWHERE.** Mrs. Futrell and Rebecca Wright lift their requests to the Lord. This opportunity for students and teachers to join together in prayer was a time established by Student Senate President Ben Ward and was deemed "Prayer On The Move." Those who came split up into groups of three to five people. Then a list of locations on the school campus guided them from place to place: the elementary lobby, the worship center, the annex, the secondary building, the prayer chapel, and the flagpole. In each of these locations, people who worked in those buildings were remembered and lifted up in prayer. The time spent praying was a great encouragement to every person who participated in the event.

**IN ONE ACCORD.** At the beginning of September, students around the world gathered at their school's flagpole to bind their hearts together in prayer for "See You at The Pole." Led by New Creation, the school's Bible study group, many students joined in this time "where two or three are gathered in My name there will I be." This year's turnout was about 125 students. Jonathan Polar led the students in a few praise choruses, and time was spent in prayer for our nation, our school, our teachers, and ourselves. The purpose of these prayers was asking God to bring revival and healing to this land and to our hearts.



**SPEAKING OUT.** Members of the speech and drama class quote a verse from the Psalms to end the short drama done during the school's 25th anniversary service on May 3rd. The verse reminds us to praise the Lord because His love is great and His faithfulness is far-reaching. The speech and drama class did an excellent job this year with humorous skits as well as serious, thought-provoking ones.





# T u r n i n g T O W I S D O M

Proverbs 2:1-6 says, "My son, if you accept my words and store up my commands within you, turning your ear to wisdom and applying your heart to understanding, and if you call out for insight and cry aloud for understanding, and if you look for it as silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom, and from His mouth come knowledge and understanding".

This passage talks of "hidden treasure." Each day the classrooms are filled with students seeking for this gift. The treasure spoken of cannot be found in a textbook or in the many papers students work their way through every day. Though the school is highly ranked in its academics, a stronger emphasis is put upon finding the knowledge of God and understanding His sovereign word and control in students' lives. Godly teachers and staff spend time in prayer daily for one another as well as for their students and most classes are begun in prayer, setting the focus on God.

Classes are taught from a Biblical standpoint and students learn to combat opposing beliefs surrounding them. These instructions are given from elementary school, where spelling and recess are added to class, to middle school where societies are introduced, and finally in the high school, when students end a very important phase in their lives before the beginning of their college careers. Halls are filled with laughter, and very close friendships are grown through the years while minds are being filled and cultivated under the quality training students receive each year.

*By Mary Childress*





**KEY TO THE MORNING.** Prayer is "the key of the morning and the close of each day." Sixth grader Sarah Zimmerman begins her morning along with the rest of her class in devotions.

**INEVERYTHING, PRAY.** Jessica Rakes prays for her fellow students. Prayer groups were arranged by the student government to allow students to pray for one another and those above them.



**FOR WHICH IT STANDS.** Logan Jones proudly displays the American flag as he recites with his class the Pledge of Allegiance. Each morning, elementary and middle school students recite with their class the pledges to both the American flag and the Christian flag. At this early age, the pledges help the students to keep their allegiance focused on the right things.

**MUCH TO DO.** With a smile, kindergartner Nathan Perkinson surveys the task before him. Teachers find many creative and enjoyable ways for students to not only learn, but also love the facts they must absorb in order to grow.





**I CAN'T DECIDE.** Vera Jones takes a final look at the layouts as she tries to decide which ones she wants to go in the yearbook. Staff members designed pages and then voted for the best ones to use in the '98 *Imprint*.

**THEY'RE HERE!** The yearbooks finally came on September 13. Word spread through the staff like wildfire: "Party tonight at Mrs. Chilton's house. Be there!" Mrs. Chilton prolongs the anticipation by slowly opening the box of newly arrived books as the staff members anxiously watch.



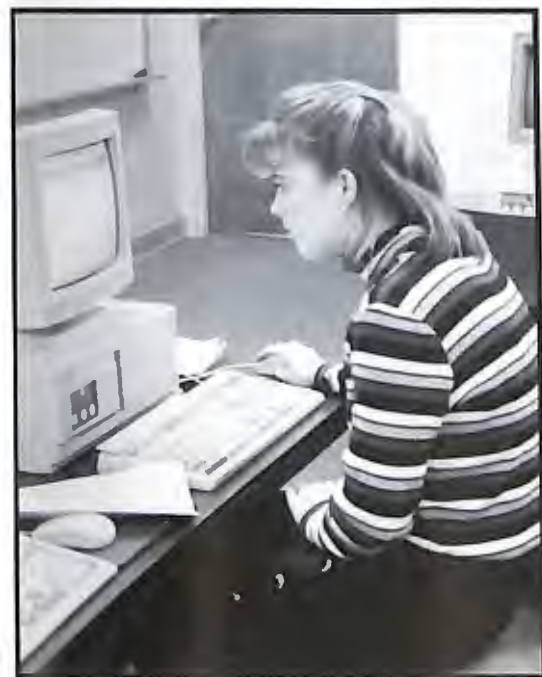
**OH, YEAH!** During the yearbook living slide presentation, Alisha Clarke, Michelle Tankersley, and Mary Childress portray the junior varsity cheerleaders who were coached by Miss Law. Michelle looks just a little worried as the bases wobble under her.

**CAUGHT RED-HANDED.** Mary Childress steals candy from Miss Law's candy jar during a visit to the nursing home. While planning for the skit, most of the staff remembered funny things Miss Law had done, but Mary's best memories were of the times she snatched candy.





**THE QUIET TYPE.** Michelle Hightower is quietly typing yearbook copy. As yearbook deadlines approach, many frantic students can be found on every available computer as they finish their work.



# PUTTING IT IN PRINT

## ON THE RECORD

BY VALERIE TERRY

### The Middle School Newspaper Staff

... is going to try to print at least one newspaper before the school year ends

### The Morning Announcement Sheet

... is being processed faster than ever

... is very boring to deliver, but a necessity which must be accomplished daily

### The Yearbook Staff

... went to a workshop at the Clarion to learn how to produce a yearbook

... is taking the best course in school, especially for seniors!



**DON'T LAUGH.** "John, don't laugh at me; you hurt my monkey." Jennifer Atkins portrays Miss Law in the dedication skit of the yearbook chapel. Ben Ward portrays Mr. Law, and Drew Kaufman is a swing. John had just finished banging Ruth's monkey on the swing and ripped off its ear, mortally wounding the beloved monkey. Childhood memories came to the surface as the staff gathered information on all of the Laws for the skit presented during the assembly to distribute the 1997 *Imprint*.

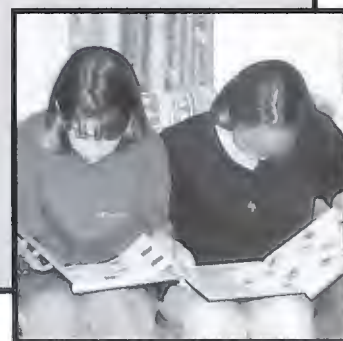


**MEETING THE GOAL.** Ben Clark and Lori Turner, 1997 staff members, help Mrs. Chilton sort the yearbooks. Keeping the books hidden from the student body while counting and sorting is an annual challenge.

**SNEAK PEEK.** Returning staff member Ben Ward looks through the book, only to find himself on the last page standing in a tree trunk. Memories flooded back as the pages were turned.



**WHAT TO DO?** Valerie Terry gets ready for the new year. As the books arrive, pictures must be sorted and returned to students who loaned them to the staff. Michelle Hightower attempts to help Anna Zimmerman understand how to put copy on the computer. Yearbook is very confusing in the beginning as students learn what to do. New staff members Mary Childress and Michelle Tankersley peek at the '97 yearbook as they see it for the first time.







### MAKING THE GRADE.

Working to get through the instruction book, director Terry Tankersley leads beginner band clarinetists Brittney Martin, Katie Farmer, Sarah Zimmerman, and flautist Rebecca Assaid. The beginner band students work on Tuesdays and Thursdays learning to read music as well as the fingerings for each note. They work hard to complete their first book so they can move up to concert band the next year.



**PUTTING IT TOGETHER.** Eighth graders Emily Smith, Amanda Karnes and Cherie Hall work together as a section, an important concept.

**ALL THAT JAZZ.** Playing an instrument can be difficult, but Kim Bellows is confident of her new skills. With determination the students learn to focus their attention.



**FIRST CONCERT.** Nervousness filled each of the beginner band students as they began the first band concert of their musical careers. Director Terry Tankersley is all smiles when this group stands up to take its final bow. The parents are astonished when they hear the band in concert for the first time, because all of the music comes together with a melody everyone can hear and appreciate.



# PROGRESSING WITH HIGH HOPES FOR THE FUTURE

BY MICHELLE TANKERSLEY

## Never Forget!

- adjusting to a new director
- construction noise day after day after day
- the smell of solder suffocating students, causing class to dismiss early
- both beginner and concert bands having their concert on the same night
- getting over the nerves of the concerts
- celebrating with those students who made All-District Band



**LITTLE DRUMMER BOY.** During his first concert sixth grader Josh Stovall prepares to play his part on the snare drum. Percussion is a favorite instrument among young men his age.





**GIVING HIS ALL.** Working to get through his first year of trombone, sixth grader Matt Rose learns to “Fill up the horn” (Terry Tankersley). Low brass instruments are hard for young students to play because of the amount of air needed to play for long periods of time.

**TOOT THE HORN.** Sixth Grade trumpeters Lindsay Schaffer and Essay Tewolde play their parts with complete confidence. The first year players have all made tremendous progress since September and are looking forward to being a part of Concert Band in the fall.



**TUNING IT UP.** Making sure their section is in tune, ninth grader Justin Leonard and eighth grader John Pennick play their concert B-flat loud and long so the others can tune to them. Tuning is an ongoing ritual bands will never be able to escape.

**DINAH, BLOW YOUR HORN.** Playing each part to the best of her ability, eighth grader Melody Terry concentrates on getting everything right. Melody was one of two students in Concert Band to make Jr. High All-District Band. This is a huge accomplishment for a young player her age.







**GIVING HIS ALL.** Working hard and auditioning to the best of his abilities, Josh Wang becomes the first freshman from our school to make All-State Orchestra. This is a huge accomplishment for someone his age because Josh competed with students in public and private schools, placing fourteenth in the state.

**FINAL MEMORIES.** Getting together in bus seats and low ceilings, the seniors make one more memory from the band/ensemble trip. The 1998 band/ensemble trip was the seniors' second opportunity to go to Cincinnati. The seniors felt the two trips to Cincinnati were the best trips taken by this group.



**THE REWARDS OF DILIGENCE.** High achievements are accomplished by Jessica Rakes. Not only did she make the Roanoke Youth Symphony and play her first concert with the Roanoke Symphony in the civic center, but she also made Senior High All-District Band. Jessica is a dedicated music student who glorifies Christ.

**DOWN TIME.** Using their free time to relax on the band/ensemble trip, Kathy Turkington, Leslie Holt and Dinisha Brown find something to watch on the eight channels available at the Holiday Inn. Down time is important on trips because it gives the students time to rest and increase unity.







**THE CONDUCTOR.** Learning to conduct as preparation for her college classes, Michelle Tankersley adds one more credential to her future in music education.

**HIS BEST.** Tim Spencer plays his trumpet piece, receiving a standing ovation. Tim was one of three seniors who played solo pieces in the concert.



**TIME BUSTERS.** The eight hours spent traveling from Cincinnati, Ohio, to Roanoke, Virginia were passed in unique ways. Found sleeping soundly, Matt Olichweir was unaffected by the bright blue flash of the camera. Songwriter and guitarist Doug Cheatwood provided a concert in the back of the bus for about an hour of the trip. Leftover pizza was enjoyed by B. J. Terry as the bus wound through the mountains of West Virginia on its way home from the four day trip.



**DOWN THE LINE.** Demonstrating the difference between their trombones and the other instruments in the band, Benji Pugh, Bob Angove, Josh Carter, B. J. Terry, and Matt Olichweir display their instruments to the elementary students. This part of the recruitment process demonstrates the various instruments and their individual sounds so the younger students may choose the one they wish to play.



**LISTENING WITH PLEASURE.** Director Terry Tankersley listens while the students in the back of the bus sing various songs of praise to God. Singing on the bus was one of the ways the students kept themselves occupied during the long trip.

# BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

## PRAISING GOD WITH SONG

BY MICHELLE TANKERSLEY

### Quotables and Useless Facts from the Band/Ensemble trip to Cincinnati:

A new world record has been set: the senior/ensemble bus was dead silent for the first time while people were awake and a cartoon movie was being shown.

"My fudge has gone to my brain!"  
Senior Mary Childress

"My eyes!  
My eyes!"  
Various seniors while multiple pictures were being taken in the dark on the bus

"Man, I wanna go skydiving."  
Senior Garrett Suhr

"That's not going in the yearbook, is it?"  
Sophomore B. J. Terry

"Alisha! You stole my hairbrush!"  
Junior Jessica Rakes

"The hills of West Virginia are callin' me home..."  
Junior Doug Cheatwood



# SING FOR JOY

## DO UNTO THE LORD

BY MARY CHILDRESS

### Favorite Music

*High School:* "Go Down Moses"

*Middle School:* Anything by Point of Grace.

### Just Playin' Around

*High School:* Found unique ways to sing songs including standing on chairs and silly motions

*Middle School:* Loved a good game of "kickball" or "keep away" which sometimes completely took over group practices!

### In Music Class??

*High School:* Discovered Mr. Tankersley's astounding ability to listen and speak to them without warning through his intercom.

*Middle School:* A general outbreak of "King Frog" would quickly arise in the middle of class, or the class would suddenly sing their own rendition of a song.

**SHOWTIME** With smiles and a beat carried by the snapping of many fingers, the high school ensemble presents "Go Down Moses" to the delight of the audience. The spring concert featured the many talents and abilities acquired by these students through the year.



**WITH ONE VOICE.** Friendships and laughter coupled with songs of joy and praise seemed to be the theme throughout the year. Even outside of class, these students could be seen enjoying one another's company. Trips were taken together including the high school trip to Cincinnati, Ohio. Not only were voices matched to bring out the best sound in the groups, but personalities came together in unexpected ways, creating close friendships.



**GIVE IT ALL YOU GOT.** Who says songs can only be sung? When a group enjoys themselves as much as this, one never knows what to expect when entering the room! Smiles can almost always be guaranteed while listening to their music.



**AS ONE.** The group stood through many practices in order to better balance their sound. Mr. Tankersley taught the class many exercises to enhance and improve their voices.

**CIRCLE OF FRIENDS.** Led by Mrs. Collins, the middle school choir grew together and learned and laughed throughout the year, learning to balance harmonies and melodies and to share their music with others.







**NO LULLABY.** After a long day on the grounds of King's Island Theme Park, Matt Hawkins catches up on some sleep during the bus ride back to the hotel. Matt's quick smile and jokes were a great addition and encouragement to the group this year.

**CINCINNATI SINGIN'.** Sarah Motley and Angela Brooks enjoy their friendship one late night on the trip to Cincinnati. On this trip, the group had the opportunity to observe the choir of the Cincinnati Conservatory and to gain new experiences through the teaching of a professor.



**RAISED IN SONG.** With skill and love for the music he taught, Terry Tankersley led and instructed the high school ensemble through the year. Not only did he lead the songs with joy and show much support for his group, but under his direction students got an extra dose of voice training and skills to take with them as they move on in life.

**SING FOR JOY.** With eyes focused on their director, Seth Johnson and Jonathan Polar sing together in the Christmas music concert. These concerts were eagerly anticipated and zealously worked for by the students as they showed their love for their music and their God.







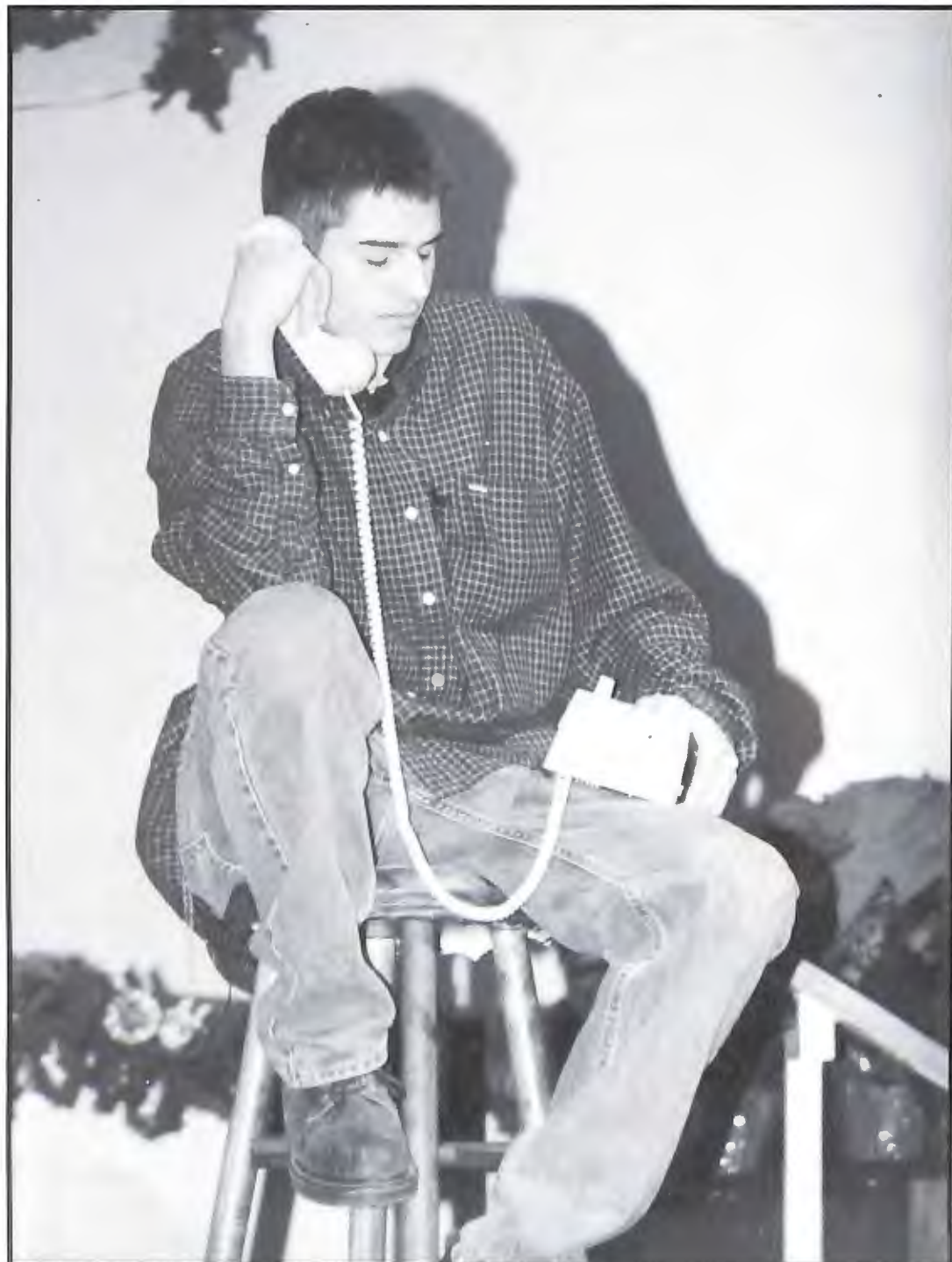
**SING IT OUT.** As soloist in the Christmas program, fourth grader Joel Quesenberry sings wholeheartedly for Christ. Since all of the elementary students sang out more this year than other years, their voices lifted up in sincere joyful praise to Christ.

**ACTING UP.** Taking an abnormal stance in Mr. Colston's room, Sam Thomas, Nikki Tilley, Emily Halsey and Rebecca Long demonstrate the parable of the Good Samaritan during the Missions Conference. Speech and Drama is a favorite class among seniors because of the fun skits and great teacher.



**IN THE SPOTLIGHT.** Chip (senior Ryan Allman) learns some hard lessons about life. He has to go through many disappointments before he can fully understand why Jesus was born to die. The speech and drama production was a big success, bringing the audience to tears and leaving them wanting more.

**FOREIGN CULTURE.** All dressed up as Chinese women, third graders Beth Ann Austin and Katie Blackburn take their places to fulfill their roles in the Elementary Christmas Program. These characters were favorites among the other students because of the unique costumes.





**THE GUARDIAN ANGEL.** Guardian angel Nicci Moats shows T. J. Powell his life as he has lived it so far. The Christmas program was a huge success with everyone making this play an unforgettable memory.



# THE LONG REHEARSALS

## DOING OUR BEST

BY MICHELLE TANKERSLEY

### What Will Be Remembered by the Actors?

#### Speech and Drama

- When practicing the students slipped out of character and did impressions.
- The class had several orange peel fights (hee, hee).
- Speeches could be summed up in one word: procrastination.

#### Elementary Christmas Program

- The Guardian Angel's microphone was not on.
- The students seemed to enjoy singing more this year.
- The students wanted to make the heaven scene "spectacular."



**GIVING THEIR ALL.** The manger scene was a big part of the Elementary Christmas Program and was eagerly anticipated by the students. Christmas past was demonstrated to T. J. Powell as part of the plan to see him accept Christ as his Savior. The children were so enthusiastic about this program that they each put in one hundred percent to make sure the ending was perfect. This scene was used to set the tone for the whole play, ending with the scene of heaven and a tearful audience.



**QUIET PRAISE.** Singing a solo in the Christmas program, Daniel Colston overcomes his quiet spirit and honors Christ. Sacrifices like this are the things that made this program a success.

**ATTEMPTED REBELLION.** After telling his parents that he will not go to the program this year even though he is the lead angel, ten-year-old Chip (Marc Flack) ended up going and playing the angel.



**DIFFERENT ROLES.** From James Masterson playing a pastor, to Nikki Tilley portraying a lady selling train tickets, and Joe Hollandsworth reading books to elementary children, the seniors in Speech and Drama go all out to do their parts effectively. The students enjoyed many activities this year, including working with elementary classes. The dramatic portion of the class was more fun as it provided the seniors with additional opportunities for creativity.







**GAZING AND GLAZING.** While studying and critiquing the high school art work, Erin Assaid and Linda Overstreet evaluate the acrylic paintings while Vera Jones, Alisha Clarke and Justin Zimmerman evaluate the impressionism drawings created by the high school students. Working toward this level from middle school, Somer Griffin glazes one of the first pots that she made on the pottery wheel in art class.



**GUIDING HAND.** By shaping the tools with his hands, Stephen Denison plans the perfect picture. Elementary art gives students a taste of what they can do in future years.

**STARTING OUT.** Using his hand as a guide, Dwight Piraino demonstrates his newfound skills. Art students get to do fun, yet artistic projects.



**FINISHING TOUCHES.** Placing the final details, Senior Ryan Allman works diligently to complete his painting with perfection. High school art students have the opportunity to study the artists themselves as well as imitating paintings and drawings from different time periods.



# BEAUTIFUL CREATIONS

## CREATIVE TALENTS FOR GOD

BY MICHELLE TANKERSLEY

**Taking Inventory at the End of the Year, Mrs. Wimmer finds that her students have used:**

- 74 various paintbrushes
- 3 dozen pints of various paints
- 10 dozen refills for water-color paint
- 100 egg crates
- 760 sheets of various paper
- 24 black ink pens
- 124 various pencils
- 100 erasers
- 1000 pounds of clay
- 24 jars of glaze
- 36 sponges
- 2 rolls of canvas
- 100 magic markers
- 100 sheets of poster board
- 1 gallon of Rubber Cement
- 2 gallons of glue
- 50 rolls of tape
- 6 boxes of Creypas
- 6 boxes of pastels
- 10 boxes of colored chalk
- 500 feet of aluminum foil
- 200 feet of fishing line
- 48 skeins of yarn
- 75 clay tools



**WORKING HARD.** Making sure she draws her lines perfectly, Jamie Carty (third grade) copies a picture of a lighthouse and ocean. Elementary art students take great care to make sure their works are drawn to the best of their abilities to be pleasing to God.





**CAREFUL PLANNING.** Obtaining help for his sketch, Barret Osborne asks his teacher, Mrs. Wimmer, for advice before he starts painting. Art is a favorite subject among students because of the daily opportunities to use their creative talents as a break from the usual academic studies.

**UP FOR SHOW.** Making sure her painting is straight, Rebecca Long proudly displays her work of art. Rebecca has won several awards for her drawings and clay pots this year, showing consistency with her work in years past.

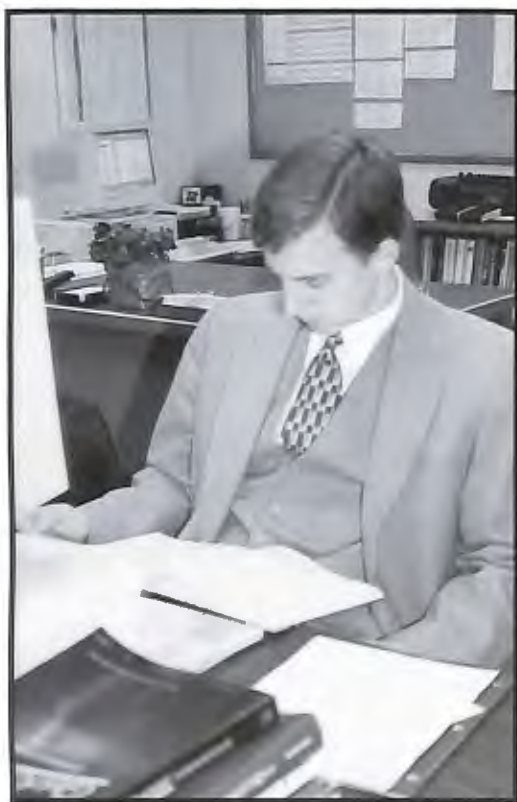


**GETTING AHEAD.** Sculpting a human head is hard work, but Alisha Brown, with help from Vera Jones, makes incredible progress and produces a great likeness. Clay sculptures are a branch of the curriculum of the art class contrasting with paintings and drawings.

**BRUSHING UP.** Preparing for the middle school art show, Lindsay Schaffer works on her watercolor painting. Watercolor is a favorite medium of middle school art students because of the unique tools used to reach certain effects.







**STUDYING HARD.** Ben Clark sits in computer class during Spirit Week attempting to figure out his work. There are often many distractions during Spirit Week, but despite those distractions Ben was able to concentrate on his assignment. He is very eager to learn more about programming computers. Hard work is necessary to understand advanced programming computer classes.

**WHAT A GROUP!** These sophomores show off the creative masks they made in Mrs. Futrell's English class. During the sophomore year these students study *Romeo and Juliet*. They are able to expand into more creative branches to make the study more exciting.



**DEEP IN THOUGHT.** Megan Janney struggles to solve a problem. With only a few enrolled in the programming classes, the students find they have to depend on their own resources to figure out solutions to problems.

**LEARNING TIME.** Nia Douglas teaches Spanish to the elementary students. Spanish III students have the opportunity to teach what they have already learned. Not only do the instructions help give the elementary students a good background in Spanish, but they are also a learning tool for the Spanish students.

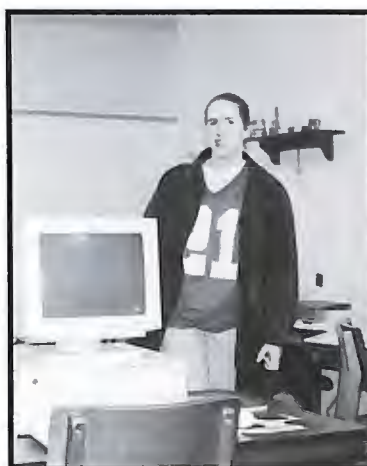






**LIFE'S JOURNEY.** During English class, Rebecca Long presents her life map, a summary of all of the main events throughout her life.

**A FOOTBALL JERSEY?** Rebecca Wright reports to yearbook dressed as a football player during Spirit Week. Rebecca uses her computer skills to aid yearbook design.



**A JOYFUL NOISE?** These three sophomores, Nate Collogan, Justin Price, and Amanda Halsey, sing in Spanish to a computer class. Each year at Christmas, Señora Long teaches her students Spanish Christmas carols so they can go carolling around the school campus to various offices and classes. The sombreros, tamborines, and morroccos add a Spanish flavor to the event.



### COMMUNICATION AT ITS BEST.

Laura Stephenson gives a book report in which she dresses up as a main character in the story. Jessica Gilbert and Kim Fisher get into the spirit of Christmas with their noise makers, and Todd Webb works diligently to solve a programming problem in QuickBASIC. From giving oral reports and singing Christmas carols to working at a computer, these students are expanding their level of communication.



**HARD WORKERS!** Mandy Chisom and Maria Jones work busily to make sure they finish all of their work on time. Applications students turn in a large volume of work during the course of the year.

## UNDERSTANDING LANGUAGE FACTS OF COMMUNICATION

BY MICHELLE HIGHTOWER

*com-mu-ni-ca-tion* n 1. a process by which meanings are exchanged between individuals through a common system of symbols  
(Webster's Dictionary)

*English class* covers the different aspects of how our language is used to communicate with one another through spoken and written means.

*Spanish class* allows us to see other cultures and a new way of life.

*Computer class* presents communication through modern forms of technology.



# STUDY HARD REACH NEW HEIGHTS

BY REBECCA WRIGHT

**THE FINISHING TOUCH.** Gabrielle Rexrode takes care of last-minute details on her science fair project. The projects will be judged later that evening by specialists from the community.



**Prove:** Mr. Law is Mr. Suhr

1. Mr. Law (a) is a good math teacher (c).
2. Mr. Suhr (b) is a good math teacher (c).
3. If  $a = c$  and  $b = c$ , then  $a = b$ .
4. Mr. Law (a) is Mr. Suhr (b).

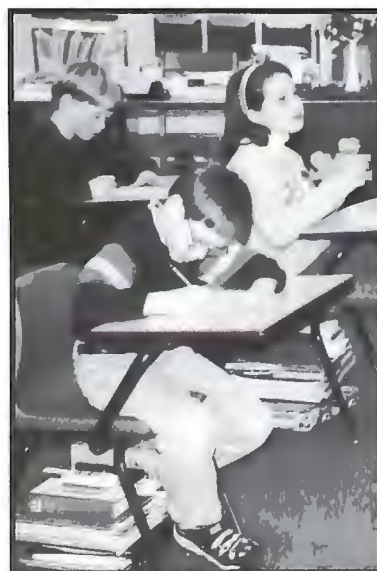
1. Let  $x = y$
2.  $x^2 = xy$
3.  $x^2 - y^2 = xy - y^2$
4.  $\frac{(x - y)(x + y)}{(x - y)} = \frac{y(x - y)}{(x - y)}$
5.  $x + y = y$
6. Since  $x = y$ ,  $x + x = x$
7.  $\frac{2x}{x} = \frac{x}{x}$
8.  $2 = 1$



**RUB A DUB DUB.** Science class is never boring when Mr. Coupe is the teacher. Today Ashley Rorrer starts off an experiment to see if putting one's head in water increases the heart rate. Emily Smith braves the experiment while Brynna Yentz laughs and measures her friend's heartbeat. After finishing this unusual hands on, or rather "heads down," experiment, Tia Mann dries off with a towel. Phillip Wright said, "Everyone but the girls liked it."



**TWISTER!** Eighth graders Bryan Agee and Caleb Johnson mix chemicals together in science class. This could be a dangerous combination for some people, but Mr. Coupe's class has a great model of responsibility. Here the future scientists of America are intent on finding out if aspirin will dissolve in water. Who knows what great discoveries they'll make tomorrow!



**PUT ON YOUR THINKING CAPS!** Stephen Dennison, Dwight Piraino, and Katie Blackburn, third graders in Mrs. Brown's class, think up answers for a math assignment.

**COLORFUL QUESTIONS.** Aaron Poch, Karen Nauss, and Jacob Jackson give their math problems creative colors as well as good answers to make their teacher, Mrs. Fryer, proud.







**BUCKLE UP!** Mr. Suhr gets a free ride, compliments of his sixth period trigonometry class, after his surgery confined him to his chair. Who said math classes can't be fun? These enthusiastic students know who makes math so interesting.

**A HELPING HAND.** Teachers are willing to give pointers to students during class as well as outside of class. Mr. Suhr takes time to give a few quick pointers to Nikki Tilley as he passes through her study hall one day and finds her working on some homework.



**NOTEWORTHY COMMENTS.** Leslie Shank, Alisha Jackson, Matt Ratliff, Justin Price, and Molly Ison take lots of notes in Mr. Suhr's Algebra II class as he writes equations on the board. Students can count on hard tests, so they know careful note-taking is a necessity.

**CHECKING OUT THE COMPETITION.** Seniors Tim Dooley, Justin Zimmerman, and Ben Clark critique a fellow scientist's project. After they had finished setting up their own projects, students were allowed to view the other science fair displays. Underclassmen can use this opportunity to get ideas for future experiments. Many find new ways for improving their projects by looking at experiments other students have done successfully.







**AIR TIME.** Sixth grader Lora Olichweir takes her turn to jump up and bump the volleyball around a circle during gym class. Performing this exercise teaches students the techniques and skills needed to work together and play volleyball.



**DEFENDING THEIR TERRITORY.** During a hockey game in P.E. class, sophomore goalie Ben Allis blocks a shot made by the opposing team. Matthew Gardner assists the goalie while freshmen Josh Ginter and Kasey Richardson attempt to score.

**SHE SHOOTS! SHE SCORES!** Looking for a goal, sophomore Erin Duff makes a fast pass to one of her teammates. Physical education is a class most freshmen and sophomores look forward to during the day because there is no homework and the activities give students an opportunity to unwind from daily stresses.

**MAKING A SHOT.** Going against his opponents, Roger Graves attempts to make a goal. Playing hockey in the gym helps prepare students for the days when the weather is good enough to play field hockey outdoors.





**SINGING FOR HIM.** Using their voices to honor their heavenly Father, seniors Jonathan Polar and Valerie Terry sing during chapel. Music has been incorporated into chapel more this year with solos and duets.



# Of Sound Mind And Body

## SETTING THE STANDARD

BY MICHELLE TANKERSLEY

**Q: What do you like best about Health?**

A: "The teacher, Mr. Brown, is fun.

*Kasey Richardson ~ 9th grade*

**Q: What things would you like to study in Bible that are not being covered this year?**

A: "I would like to study Revelation, I think studying about the coming of Christ would be fun. It would answer a lot of questions."

*Erica Noble ~ 11th grade*

**Q: How do you think the philosophy paper will help you in your transition from high school to college?**

A: "It will help us establish a firm grasp on what we believe and how we can present it."

*Ryan Allman ~ 12th grade*

**Q: What is one thing you dislike about P.E.?**

A: "Sit-ups and being sweaty first period-- YUCK!!"

*Leanna Hollandsworth ~ 10th grade*



**UP FOR DEMONSTRATION.** Going to the front of chapel for a demonstration during the creation seminar, these students hold in their hands unpurified emeralds the speaker, Charlie Liebert, gave to them. This seminar was a good way to find out the truth to the question of what happened to all the dinosaurs. Mr. Liebert, the guest speaker from an organization called Answers in Genesis located in Louisville, Kentucky, travels around the country presenting creation seminars.



**TOO CLOSE FOR COMFORT.** An amazing similarity was noticed during Bible class. Mr. Presson bears a striking resemblance to a certain walrus named Jolly. Strange things like this seem to occur in his class during the year.

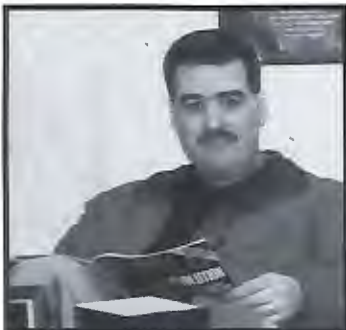
**BEAUTIFUL MUSIC.** Junior Andrea Spangler and Bible teacher Mr. Presson, also Andrea's piano teacher, play a piano duet for all to hear during chapel.



**DOING GOD'S WORK.** Taking the role of music leader in chapel, senior Jonathan Polar leads the student body in praise songs. In Jonathan's absence, sophomore Seth Johnson assists with leading the music. Various speakers are obtained to speak to the students throughout the year. Ed Bailey, Pastor Alderman's son-in-law who is serving as a pastoral intern at Shenandoah Baptist Church, shares matters that God laid on his heart.







### KEEPING UP WITH THE WORK.

Seniors take Government so they can learn about modern politics. Mr. Colston also teaches them about current events through discussions about *World* magazines. Ben Ward, Michelle Hightower, Daniel Stephens, Marc Flack, and Joe Hollandsworth participate in one of these discussions by sharing their opinions of various topics. Later they will be quizzed on the things they learned from the magazine.



**THE SALT OF THE MAP.** Zach Zimmerman, Rebeca Sanburn, and Linda Woods look at the salt maps created by their class, a tasty twist on homework.

**FORMIDABLE FOURTH.** Matt Bergum and Brent Bowman create replica forts in Mrs. Hill's fourth grade class.



**THE MOVIE KING STRIKES AGAIN!** Mr. Colston watches the NCAA Tournament with Alisha Brown, Vera Jones, Linda Overstreet, Ben Vlugg, Ben Ward, and Jonathan Polar. Every year one side of Mr. Colston's board is filled with a chart of the winning teams, and parts of his classes are dedicated to keeping up with this event. Some students even come during lunch to watch the game.

## MEMORABLE FACTS

## FORGOTTEN ANSWERS

BY REBECCA WRIGHT

**Q. What was the name of Robert E. Lee's horse?**

A. Silver  
~ James Clark

**Q. Where is the Continental Divide?**

A. Pacific Ocean  
~ Victoria Presson

**Q. What is Virginia's State Dog?**

A. "Yo Quiero Taco Bell."  
~ Jennie Ayers

**Q. How many children did George and Martha Wash-**

**ington have?**

A. 3 or 17  
~ Megan Janney

**Q. What does "Chesapeake" mean?**

A. An ancient Indian word describing a live octopus swallowing an

onion

~ Josh Wong

**Q. What was the first meal on the moon? Who ate it?**

A. Freeze dried ice cream; Buzz Aldond

~ Josh Carter



**EDUCATIN' THE YUNGUNS.** Nathaniel Gay (Class of '93) comes in as a guest speaker to talk to seniors about college and current events. Mr. Colston frequently invites alumni to tell students about the college experience.





**SKETCHY HISTORY.** Sixth graders study world history and are able to do reports on various countries. Philip Allman works on a drawing of the world during Mrs. Suhr's class. This activity will help to prepare him for the many drawings he will do with colored pencils in Miss Law's class next year.

**A MIGHTY FORTRESS.** Christen Long, Ashley Cook, Kari Farmer, Nicci Moats, and Angela Martin work on forts they built. Students learn a lot about the colonists of early settlements in America. Every year fourth graders make a miniature fort during the time they study Virginia's history. They also do reports on this state.



**POINTS OF INTEREST.** Jonathan Murrill and Joey Pierce look at their favorite Civil War drawing. The fifth graders made these to display their knowledge of the War Between the States.

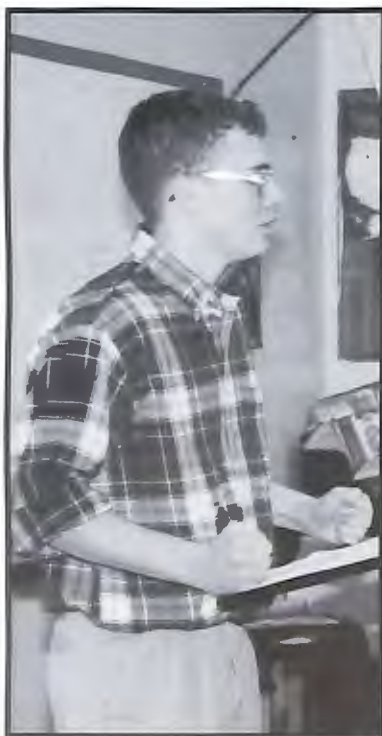
**UNIDENTIFIED FRIGHTENING OBJECT!** Sarah Motley, Lauren McKee, and Bob Angove watch as Jon Fullmer tries a purse on for size. The purse-turned-hat is one of many items visitors to Jamestown can look at as they learn about Colonial times.





**SWEET SUCCESS.** Candy cane sales are always a big hit with students, as Ben Ward and Justin Price can see. This year's new color was black for *Sieben Schneeschaufler schaufeln sieben Schaufeln Schnee*, or seven shovelers shovel seven shovels of snow.

**THIS MEETING WILL NOW COME TO ORDER!** Ben Allis takes charge of a Key Club meeting during lunch. Ben is a young but excellent leader.



**GIVE ME A BREAK!** Mr. Presson gives counsel on a suggestion while Sarah Motley listens intently. Student senate members were always grateful for his advice.

**JOYFUL NEW CREATIONS.** Back: Ben Allis, Jonathan Polar, Ben Clark, Garrett Suhr, Ben Ward, and Josh Ginter. Front: Alisha Brown, Jennifer Atkins, Rebecca Wright, Libby Shiffer, Molly Ison, and Rebecca Lockhart. Not every person pictured came to each meeting, but all did their best to come as often as possible. Some other students came occasionally but were not able to be included in the group photo. Ben Clark faithfully led the Bible study each week. The meeting usually started with songs and prayer requests, followed by a group discussion on the chapters read that day. Approximately five to ten people attended weekly.



**STUDENT SENATE LEADING THE WAY.** Back: Joy Bellows (Junior Vice President), Jessica Rakes (Junior Secretary/Treasurer), Alisha Jackson (Junior President), Sarah Motley (Student Senate Vice President), Ben Ward (Student Senate President), Jennifer Atkins (Student Senate Secretary/Treasurer), Hampton Pasley (Senior President), Rebecca Long (Senior Vice President), and Rebecca Wright (Senior Secretary/Treasurer). Front: Courtney Waldron (Freshman President), Whitney Osborne (Freshman Vice President), Martha Haines (Freshman Secretary/Treasurer), Molly Ison (Sophomore Secretary/Treasurer), Justin Price (Sophomore Vice President), Ben Allis (Sophomore President).







**REPENT OR BE DESTROYED!** Ben Clark preaches to his attentive listeners during a morning meeting of New Creation.

**EARLY BIRDS.** Ben Ward, Rebecca Wright, and former New Creation leader Allen Armstrong meet at Golden Corral before school for a special breakfast.



**MULTIPLE PERSONALITIES.** Several students are involved in more than one club. Ben Ward, Jennifer Atkins, and Ben Allis are among these talented people. All three serve as leaders in at least one of the three clubs. Ben Ward and Jennifer are in not only the Student Senate, but also New Creation. Ben Allis is the president of Key Club as well as a member of New Creation and the Student Senate. In a small school, students can be active in several clubs.



**THE KEY TO SERVICE.** Back: Jana Smoot, Sarah Motley, Rebecca Wright (Vice President), Ben Allis (President), Justin Price, Megan Janney (Treasurer), Jennie Ayers, Leslie Shank, and Alisha Brown. Front: Amanda Halsey, Maria Jones (Secretary), Leslie Holt, Havilah Liederbach, Anna Fryer, Rebecca Long, and Gabriel Rexrode. Rebecca Long had difficulty accepting the fact that she missed her last opportunity to be in the Key Club, so she came to the photo session and pretended to be part of the group.



**VOTE OF CONFIDENCE.** Justin Price and Ben Allis vote on an item of business during a student senate meeting. Members meet in Mr. Grooten's room during lunch and discuss ways to improve class activities.

# MAKING A DIFFERENCE

## REACHING OUT

BY REBECCA WRIGHT

NEW CREATION	KEY CLUB	STUDENT SENATE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>meets Thursday mornings at 7:30</li> <li>usually has guest speakers once a month</li> <li>is studying Hebrews this year</li> <li>is open to anyone</li> <li>is student-led</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>meets during lunch</li> <li>has 15 members.</li> <li>does at least one service project each month</li> <li>is sponsored by Mr. Law and the Salem Kiwanas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>meets during lunch</li> <li>represents students in the high school</li> <li>is in charge of Spirit Week activities</li> <li>is sponsored by Mr. Presson</li> </ul>



# CHARACTER AND WISDOM

## A LOOK AT THE SOCIETY

BY JENNIFER ATKINS

### National Honor Society Focus

- Induction into the National Honor Society is for sophomores, juniors, and seniors who have excelled in the areas of leadership, service, character, and scholarship.
- Many of the sophomores were eligible, however, only eleven turned in the paperwork necessary for induction into the society.
- The 1998 NHS inductees were Jennie Ayers, Dinisha Brown, Mark Colwell, Anna Fryar, Matthew Gardner, Molly Ison, Havilah Liederbach, Seth Parker, Justin Price, Matthew Ratliff, and Leslie Shank.

**CANDLE OF SCHOLARSHIP.** Tim Spencer, an NHS member since tenth grade, lights the candle representing scholarship. This aspect of the ceremony reminded the students to do their best in the area of schoolwork.



**A SMALL MISTAKE.** Jonathan Polar leads the audience in a hymn while Mr. Law retrieves the NHS pledge from Mr. Hollins' desk. During the induction ceremony, the pledge was discovered to have inadvertently been left in the office. After a few minutes, Mr. Hollins was able to lead the inductees in the pledge. With certificates in hand, Leslie Shank, Jennie Ayers, and Anna Fryar repeat the promise to honor the society, school, and their Lord.



### SHENANDOAH BAPTIST CHURCH

**THE 1998 NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY.** Back: Jonathan Polar, Mark Colwell, Josh Mabrey, Hampton Pasley, Matthew Ratliff, Bob Angove, Garrett Suhr, Justin Hurt, Matthew Gardner, Tim Dooley, Ben Clark, Justin Zimmerman, Ben Vlug, Tim Spencer, and Seth Parker. Middle: Michelle Tankersley, Jennifer Atkins, Michelle Hightower, Joy Bellows, Alisha Jackson, Megan Weaver, Becky Taylor, Jana Smoot, Nia Douglas, Erin Assaid, Molly Perkinson, Debbie Turkington, Gabriel Rexrode, Molly Ison, Jennie Ayers, Ben Ward, and Justin Price. Front: Havilah Liederbach, Rebecca Wright, Libby Shiffer, Angela Brooks, Lauren McKee, Amanda Delong, Erica Noble, Naomi Simmons, Sarah Motley, Rebecca Lockhart, Renee Dennis, Dinisha Brown, and Leslie Shank.



**SERVICE.** Ben Clark, a member since tenth grade, lights the candle representing service. This aspect of the NHS reminds us to have a servant's heart and be willing to do for others.

**GOOD JOB.** Jennie Ayers smiles as she receives her certificate from Mr. Hollins. Following the induction ceremony, a short reception was held for the NHS members and their families.







**PASS IT ON.** Ben Allis receives the hand-off from Seth Parker in a relay race during the VIC. Working as a team is important for any sport, but especially in such a race as this one, when the next team member must be ready when their partner arrives.

**RUN THE RACE.** Mark Colwell pushes himself towards the finish line as he completes a 200 meter race. Mark finished 8th in this event at the VIC competition.



#### PHYSICALLY CHALLENGING.

In a single bound, Brandon Bolinsky leaps 14' 7" in the long jump, giving him ninth place at the VIC. Daniel Bivins hurls the ball through the air, finishing seventh with a distance of 31' 3". Courtney Waldron builds her endurance during a track club practice. Courtney did not participate in any event at the VIC, but still enjoyed running regularly with the others who were part of the track club.



**THE 1998 TRACK CLUB.** Back: Brandon Bolinsky, Seth Parker, K. C. Gilbert, and Alen Naff. Middle: Lance Larson, Paul Causey, Daniel Bivins, and Coach Larson. Front: Ben Allis, Molly Ison, and Mark Colwell.



**LEADER OF THE PACK.** Paul Causey runs the lead-off leg of the 4 X 800 relay. First place was taken in this event at the VIC because of the runners' speed and quickness in passing the baton.

## A LEAGUE OF THEIR OWN

### FINISHED WELL

BY JENNIFER ATKINS

#### Track Club Focus

- Not actually a team, this group practiced and competed as a club.
- The club entered the VIC, ranking third place even though they had never had a meet all year.
- Alen Naff placed second in the 400 meter.
- Lance Larson placed third in the mile.





# I n H i S I M A G E

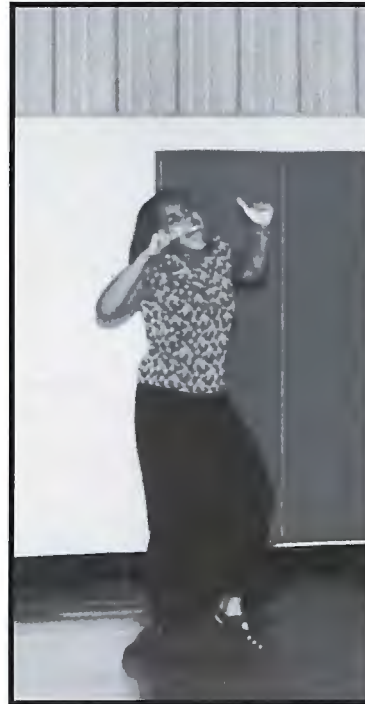
Genesis 1:27 says, "God created man in His own image, in the image of God he created Him; male and female He created them." Each person is created different; no two people are alike. If every person was the same, the world would be a boring place. Not only did God make each one of us different, but he also made us all in His image.

Every person was sculpted and molded by God and for God. He sculpted everyone with the capacity to love, honor, and trust in Him. It is up to the individual to make the decision of accepting God's gift of salvation.

This school has tried to reach out to all those who have already accepted Christ to be their Savior. Teachers try daily to encourage the school body to trust in the Lord and to personally fellowship with Him. The school's final goal is to make each one of the students more like Christ. This molding draws people to God and enables them to have a closer walk with their Creator. The final product is a person who is more in His image.

*By Valerie Terry*





**PUMP IT UP.** Nia Douglas pumps up the pep rally by assisting the cheerleaders. The students become more actively involved when Nia leads.

**A GOOD HEART.** Becky Hart has met a new friend when working at a day care center during service projects. It was a blessing to spend time with the children.



**MAKING A BASKET.** Mrs. Scyphers' second grade students enjoy watching her open her Thanksgiving basket. They all had a little part in giving to their teacher. With open eyes and smiles the children watch as she opens their goodies.

**MAKING MEMORIES.** Students give a going away/birthday party for Jena Posten. Several school families moved away from the Roanoke Valley this year, leaving students to miss the friendships they have cultivated over the years.



**Ryan Lee Allman** "Rhino" Prov.19:23 JV Basketball-9,10; V Basketball 11,12 (best defensive); Golf-9,10,11,12; runner up All Valley Basketball Tourn. 12; Art show blue ribbon 10,11; Golf MVP-12.

**Jennifer Lynn Atkins** "Jennifer" Prov. 3:5-6 Band-9,10,11,12; S.B.C. Ensemble 9,10,11,12; Refugee Tutoring-9; SBC Teen Leadership Team-9,10,11,12; Sparks Leader-9,10,11,12; NHS-10,11,12; Jr/Sr Banquet Hostess-10; Sec/Tres-10,11; Senate Sec/Treas.12; Acad.Letter-11; Yearbook-12; Science. Fair Awards-9,10; Academic Letter-12; Presidential Acad. Fitness Award-12.

**Sarah Lynn Elisabeth Baker** "Sarah" Ps. 62:8 Piano 9,10,11,12; Voice-12; Church nursery-9,10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11; Ensemble-10,11; Mission Trip-11; Office Aide-12; Youth Pres.-12; NHS-10,11,12.

**Daniel Christopher Bivins** "Dan" Prov.3:5-6 JV Basketball-9,10; JV Soccer-9; V Basketball-11,12; V Soccer-11,12; Track and Field-12.

**Nathan Daniel Blankenship** "Nathan" Jer.6:16 JV Basketball-9,10; NY Mission Trip-10; Superlative-9.

**Brandon Joe Bolinsky** "Bo" Prov.3:5-6 JV Basketball-11; V Basketball-12; Spanish Club-9,10; FCA-9,10; SADD-10; Academic Letter-12.

**James Lamar Breneman** "Legs" Is.41:10 Band-9,10,11,12; Canada Mission Trip-10.

**Angela Beth Brooks** "Angeler" Rom. 8:28 Softball-11,12; Refugee Tutoring-9; Ensemble-10,11,12; Who's Who-11,12; Junior Marshall-11; NHS-10,11,12; Academic Letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12.

**Alisha Leigh Brown** "Leesh" Wildlife Center-9,10; 4-H 9,10,11,12; Key Club-11,12; New Creation-11,12; Art: Judges Choice Award at Ferrum College-12.

**Mary Katherine Childress** "Mary" Heb.12:1-2 Band-9,10,11,12; Band Vice President-12; Piano-9,10,11,12; Ensemble-11,12; Piano Teacher-11,12; Yearbook-12; Camp Eagle-9,10,11,12; District Band-9,10; Superlative-11,12 (School-12).

**Ben Alderman Morrieson Clark** "Benito" Heb.13:6 JV Soccer-9(Coach's Award); V Soccer-10,11,12 (Captain/Captain's Award); V Baseball-9,10,11,12; Church Youth Prayer Leader-10; Who's Who-10,11,12; New Creation Leader-12; Open Air Evangelism-12; Refugee Tutoring-12; N.Y. Missions Trip-10,11; Jamaica Trip-10,11; Mexico Mission Trip-12; Service Award-9; Scholarship Award-9; Science Fair First Place/Part.in Regional-10,3rd place-11,2nd place-12; Junior Marshall-11; NHS-10,11,12; Army Scholar Athlete Award-12; Science Award-12; Scholarship Award-12; Valedictorian-12; Academic Letter-12; Pres. Acad. Fitness Award-12.

**Alisha June Clarke** "Leesh" Phil.3:13-14 JV Basketball-9; V Soccer-10,12; SBC Teen Leadership-9,10 (Activities Coordinator-10); SBC Discipleship-10; Yearbook-10,11,12 (Editor-11,12); Band-11; Class Pres.-11; SBC Ensemble-9,10,11,12; Ensemble-12; New Creation-10; Who's Who-10; Superlative-9; Leadership Award-10; Natl. Library of Poetry Pub. Contest-10; Ensemble Award-12.

**Timothy David Dooley** "Teemo" Ps.9:14 V. Baseball-12; Academic Letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12.

**Nia Sharone Douglas** "Nia" Prov.3:13-14 V Basketball-9,10,11,12; BRC Champions-10,11,12; Tip-Off Tourn. Team/Champ. 10,11,12; BRC All Conference Team-10,11,12; BRC All Tournament Team-11,12; Piedmont Classic All Tournament-11,12; Band-9,10,11; Teacher's Aide-12; YMCA Vol.-9,10; Who's Who-10,11; NHS-10,11,12; Academic Letter-11,12; Pres. Acad. Fitness Award-12.

**Marc Allen Flack** "Marcus" Prov.3:5-6 JV Basketball-9; V Tennis-11; Band-9,10; 1996 Olympic Band Trip-10; Speech and Drama-12; NHS-10,11,12.

**Emily Jane Halsey** "Emily" Heb.2:1 V. Softball-10,12; Band-9,10,11,12; Speech and Drama-12; N.Y. Missions trip-10.

**Matthew Johnson Hawkins** "Matt" Mark 16:15-18 Ensemble-12; March of Dimes Walk-10.

**Michelle Diana Hightower** "Chelle" Ps. 25:4-5 JV Cheerleading Capt.-9 (Cheerleading Nationals-9); V Cheerleading-10,11,12 (Christian Cup 3rd place-10, Captain-11,12); SBC Leadership Team-9; Who's Who-10,12; Yearbook-12; Academic Letter-11,12; NHS-10,11,12; B'nai B'rith award-12.

**Joseph Reid Hollandsworth** "Buddy" Prov.3:5-6 JV Basketball-9; V Basketball-12; Hondouras Missions Trip-9,10; Speech and Drama-12; Missions Trip to N.Y.-11.

**Vera Jane Jones** "Vee" Prov.3:5-6 V Volleyball-9,10,11,12 (Most Improved 10; Captain 11,12; Coach's Award-12); V Soccer-9,10; Church Ensemble-10,11; Ensemble-12; Yearbook Sports Editor-11,12; Who's Who-10; NHS-10,11,12.

**Rebecca Joy Long** "Beck" Mal.3:6 V Basketball-9,10 (Most Inspir.-10); V Soccer-9,10,11,12 (Co-Capt.11; Captain-12); Men's V Soccer Stats.-12; Sec/Tres.-9; Student Senate/Class VP-9,10,11,12; Art-10,11,12(Best in Show Award-11) Speech and Drama-12; Science Fair Honorable Mention-9.

**James Paul Masterson** "Forrest" 2 Tim.1:7 JV Basketball 9,10,11 (Most Inspirational 9,10,11); V Basketball-12 (Most Inspirational); Band-9,10,11,12; Speech and Drama-12.

**Dorenda Dawn McGuire** "Doro" Romans 1:13 Volunteer Vacation Bible School-10; Who's Who-11; NHS-12.

**Derek Wayne McKinney** "Deeker" Phil. 4:19; V Baseball- 9,10,11,12; Band- 9,10,11,12; Band Award-12; Who's Who-10







# Legacy of the Past

By Mary Childress

Memories...bits and pieces of lives joined together through laughter, smiles, and tears...friendships made, joys relived, day after day and through the years. Though they may seem small at times, these memories make up the legacy by which we will recall our brightest joys and triumphs, trials and tribulations. Take a step back with me, if you will, for a brief moment to look at the past, a past filled with the moments and days that have made each of us into what we are today.

As we step back, we see the shadows of small children arriving for the first day of kindergarten. Armed with bookbags tightly strapped to small bodies and hands gripping brand new boxes of crayons (complete with sharpeners), these shadows of ourselves begin the legacy. With leaky lunch boxes and pencil boxes that never stay closed, children walk silently in single file through the hallways. Throughout the elementary years, we experienced the thrill of learning to write, tell time, and tie our shoes. As the years passed, new experiences such as silent lunch and standing by the fence at recess were added to the dismay of some of us. As fifth graders we set the goal of filling a glass jar with marbles for good behavior to earn a half day on the playground. Watch young girls with pig-tails and glasses flying bounce each

shoes can be the first to touch the sky as songs are shouted at the top of small lungs and competitive boys play soccer beneath. The class of 1998 has learned to find joy in every situation, overcoming many potentially tearful events. The experience of standing by the fence at recess was even a fun experience for many!

Let us now step over to the "annex" where colored jeans become forbidden. This building becomes the new home of our seventh grade class. We are introduced to lockers and the battle for top and bottom begins, while locker shelves are used as swords, and pencils and mirrors fall every time the doors slam. Smaller kids who took possession of bottom lockers quickly learn how to crawl under the arms reaching over them and how to back out again without hitting their heads on the open doors above them. Maps carefully bordered in "caterpillar lines" never seemed to have "names in ink pen written on the back, not the front."

As the shadows fall across the science lab, once again images can be seen as frogs are being dissected. Many quickly found and put to practice the fact that frog's eyes could be used to squirt others! Other animals were sometimes seen in this lab, to the dismay of Mrs. Updike, including a very dead squirrel found by students

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and laid on the teacher's desk as a "gift"! In Bible classes we practiced and practiced "Footers and Foundations" to instill the Word of God in each of us through (sometimes distorted) motions and plays on words.

Finally, these shadows flood the halls of high school. In Mrs. Futrell's English room we see the class acting out plays and learning to keep track of an ever-increasing number of vocabulary cards. To their surprise, these students find themselves begging to go back to this class after reaching Mr. Grooten's class where books and pencils fly and students frantically try to keep up as the teacher only increases his pace.

The shadows we watch have grown and advanced until, at long last, they have reached the much prayed for goal of being seniors. As they head off for a retreat in the woods, this group of diverse personalities comes together in unexpected ways. While many groups in the past spent the majority of their time together in long talks and quiet time, the class of 1998 choose instead to spend their time crashing headlong into a muddy lake while riding a bicycle, or tackling each other in a game of "mingle." Volleyball tournaments take place by the pond, while unsuspecting people

suddenly find themselves flying through the air into the lake without warning. The senior year allows many new privileges as students order out to various restaurants for lunch once a week, and on another day the mad dash for senior salad bar begins as food disappears faster than even the teachers can rush to get the remains. These same students who are not only fast to get to the salad bar are just as quick to break out in a rhythm in class, beating on desks or tapping pencils as the class joins in one by one and teachers try to regain order and not show the smiles on their faces to students.

Yes, I ask you to look at these memories that make up the past, for they are the legacy of the class of 1998. Do not forget these memories, for they are priceless and cannot be replaced, only added to. Though only shadows can now be seen, these shadows grow only longer and fuller as each day passes and steps are taken toward the future. Not knowing what the future holds or even if the friends of youth will share these memories together again, all of us step forward together to seek what God has in store. One thing is certain: through the times shared, each of us have seen and known the faithfulness of God, and as the legacy goes on, the foundation of Christ will remain the same.

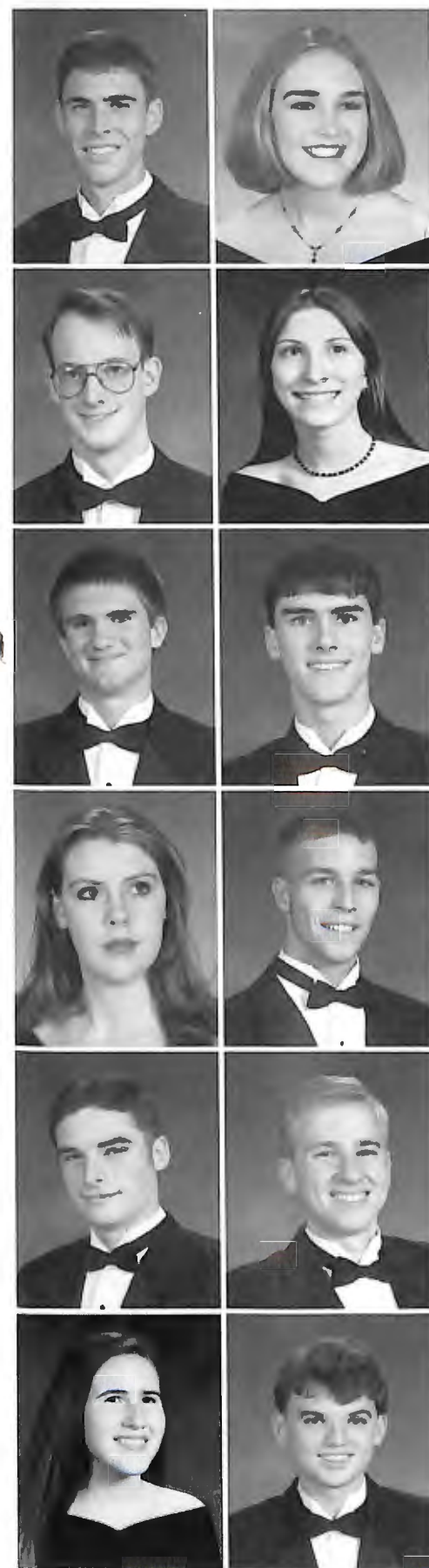


**READY TO GO.** Seniors Sarah Baker, Sam Thomas, Matt Hawkins, and Michelle Hightower gather on the bus ready to leave for their senior trip in New York. The trip is most definitely one of the greatest highlights for these seniors. Packed with fun, it is one of the last opportunities of the class to spend time together as a group.



**ORDER IN THE COURT!** Tim Dooley, Derek McKinney, and Rebecca Long act out a court case in government class. Each year Mr. Colston provides a mock trial for the students to get a feel for what a real court case is like. Seniors enjoy this time of trying to accuse their classmates of crimes.





**Erin Rebekah Necessary.** "Ernie" Prov. 3:5-6.

**Linda Faye Overstreet.** "Dude" Matt. 7:1-5; Refugee Tutoring-12.

**William Hampton Pasley.** "Hampie" I Cor. 6:20; Tennis-9,10,11,12; Conference Singles Champ-11; Cross Country All Conference-12; All-VIC Tennis-9,10,11; 5th place All-VIC Tennis-12; Cross Country-9,10,11,12; 9th place All-VIC CC-9,10; Tennis and Cross Country Championship Team-9,10; Cross Country MVP-12; Athletic Hall Of Fame-12; 3rd place Medicine and Health in Regional Science Fair-9; Regional Science Fair-10,12; 2nd place Physics in Regional Science Fair-11; Social Studies Award-12; Academic letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; NHS-10,11,12.

**Whitney Marie Penn.** "Whitney" Is. 41:10; V Softball-9,10,11,12; Softball Most Inspirational-12; FCA-9,10,11; Environmental Club-9.

**Molly Anne Perkinson.** "Perk" Jer. 1:19; JV Basketball-9,10 (most improved-10); V Soccer-9,10,11,12; Young Life-9,10,11; NHS-10,11,12; Art-10,11 (honorable mention-10); Science Fair, 3rd place-12; Academic letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12.

**Amy Marie Pierce.** "Amy" Hab. 2:4; Refugee Tutoring-10; Yearbook-11,12; NHS-10,11,12; Scholarship Award-11; Academic Letter-11,12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; Science Fair Category Award, 2nd place-11; Scholarship Award-12; Valedictorian.

**Jonathan David Polar.** "Slicky" Gal. 2:20; Basketball (church league)-12; Ensemble-10,11,12 (student director-11); Praise Team-11,12; Speech and Drama-12; National School Choral Award-12; New Creation-12; Missions Trip (Orlando, Florida)-11; NHS-10,11,12; Service Award-12; Academic Letter-11,12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; Who's Who-11,12; Science Fair Category Award, 1st place-10.

**Gabriel Holly Rexrode.** "Gabe" I John 1:9; V Soccer-9,10,11,12; Marlin Swimming-9; Elks Swim team-9,10,11,12; Army Scholar Athlete-12; Key Club-11,12; Who's Who-10,11; Art Award-11; Science Fair Category Award-9; Science Olympics-12; Academic letter-12.

**Amy Marie Rumbley.** "Rumbley" Prov. 3:5,6; Basketball-9,10,11,12; BRC Champs-10,11,12; Tip Off Tournament Champs-11,12; Unsung Hero-11; Piedmont Classic Champs-12; Softball-9,10,11,12; MVP-10; All-State-10; Most Inspirational-11; Athletic Hall Of Fame-12; Missions Trips, Jamaica-9, Wisconsin-10, Canada-11.

**Elizabeth Sarah Shiffer.** "Libby" Mark 12:30; Band-9,10,11,12; Ensemble-12; Missions Trip, Arizona-12; New Creation-12; NHS-10; Academic letter-12.

**Timothy James Spencer.** "Timmy" Phil. 4:13; Soccer-9,10,11,12; Most Valuable Defense-9; Captains Award-12; Tennis-12; Band-9,10,11,12; All-District Band-9,10,11,12; 1996 Olympic Band Trip-10; Church Orchestra-10,11,12; Roanoke Youth Symphony-11,12; The Star Dusters (music group)-12; John Phillip Sousa Award-12; Diligence Award-9,10; Science Olympics, 3rd place-11; Academic letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; B'Nai B'Rith Award-12; NHS-10,11,12.

**Daniel Aaron Stephens.** "Daniel" Prov. 1:7; V Soccer-9,11; Indoor Soccer-9,10; Marshall Arts-9; New Creation-9,10.

**Garrett Joseph Suhr.** "Tank" I Cor. 3:22,23; JV Soccer-9, V Soccer-10,11,12; Most Improved Defense Award-11; Captain's Award-12; V Tennis-10,11,12; VIC Champs-10; Most Improved Player Award-11; Band-9,10,11,12; Church Youth Choir-10,11,12; Sound Board-10,11,12; Parking Lot Attendant-11,12; Academic letter-12; Who's Who-11,12; NHS-10,11,12.

**LeAnna Michelle Tankersley.** "Michelle" I Cor. 13:8a; Band-9,10,11,12; 1996 Olympic Band Trip-10; Student Conductor-12; Regional Orchestra-12; Church Youth Choir-10,11,12; Church Orchestra-9,10,11,12; Roanoke Youth Symphony-9,10,11,12; Teacher-Private Violin Lessons-10,11,12; National School Orchestra Award-12; Kiwanas Fine Arts Award-12; Yearbook-12; Ensemble-11,12; Key Club-11; Academic letter-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10; Science Fair Category Award, 1st place-11.

**Valerie Joann Terry.** "Val" Gal. 1:10; Softball-10; Ensemble-9,10,11,12; National School Choral Award-12; Yearbook-12; Band-12; Missions Trips-Kentucky-9, Canada-10, Pennsylvania-11, Mexico-12; Senior Superlative-12.

**Samuel Kirk Thomas.** "Captain Kirk" Phil. 4:13; JV Soccer-9 (Capt.); V Soccer; Office Aide-11; Speech and Drama-12; Art-12.

**Nikki Renee Tilley.** "Twinkee" Phil. 2:8; Missions Trip-Kentucky-9.

**Deborah Ruth Turkington.** "Debs" Ps. 8:3-5; V Soccer-10,11,12; Missions Trips-West Virginia-9, North Carolina-10; Equestrian/Trail Guide-9,10,11; Academic letter-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-11.

**Benjamin Peter Vlugg.** "Vluggie" Phil. 4:13; Band-9,10,11; Jr/Sr Host-10; Academic letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Science Fair Category Award-10; Science Fair Category Award, 1st place-11,12; Regional Science Fair Award-11; Science Olympics-12.

**Benjamin Luke Ward.** "Ben" Rom. 12:9-12; New Creation-9,10,11,12; Yearbook-9,10,11,12; Missions Trips-Washington, D.C.-9,10, Romania-11; Class Vice President-9; Student Senate President-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11,12; Science Fair High School Grand Award-9,10,11; Academic letter-12; Bible Award-12; Computer Award-12; English Award-12; Math Award-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; Scholarship Award-12; Leadership Award-12; Principal's Award-12; Valedictorian.

**Rebecca Lynne Wright.** "Becca" Is. 40:29-31; Refugee Tutoring-9,11,12; Camp Counselor-9,10,11; Children's Church Teacher-10,11,12; Missions Trip-"Operation Barnabas"-11; State Poster Contest (for Career Development), 2nd place-10; Poem Contest (for Career Development), 1st place District-10; FBLA-10; FCA-10; Interpretive Scripture Memorization and Drama, "gold medal"-11; Poetry, "silver medal"-11; Class Secretary/Treasurer-12 New Creation-11,12; Key Club-11,12; Key Club VP-12; Speech and Drama-12; Diligence Award-12; Academic letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; NHS-11,12.

**Justin Adam Zimmermann.** "Justin" Eph. 4:23; JV Soccer-9; Tournament MVP-9; Baseball-11,12; Missions Trip, West Virginia-10; Academic letter-12; Presidential Academic Fitness Award-12; NHS-10,11,12; Who's Who-10,11; Nat'l Merit Commended Scholar-12; DeFriece Scholar-12.



Bob Angove  
Erin Assaid  
Joy Bellows  
Emily Bennett  
Crissy Booth  
Rebecca Bryant  
Douglas Cheatwood

Karen Chilton  
Christopher Crawford  
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Amanda DeLong  
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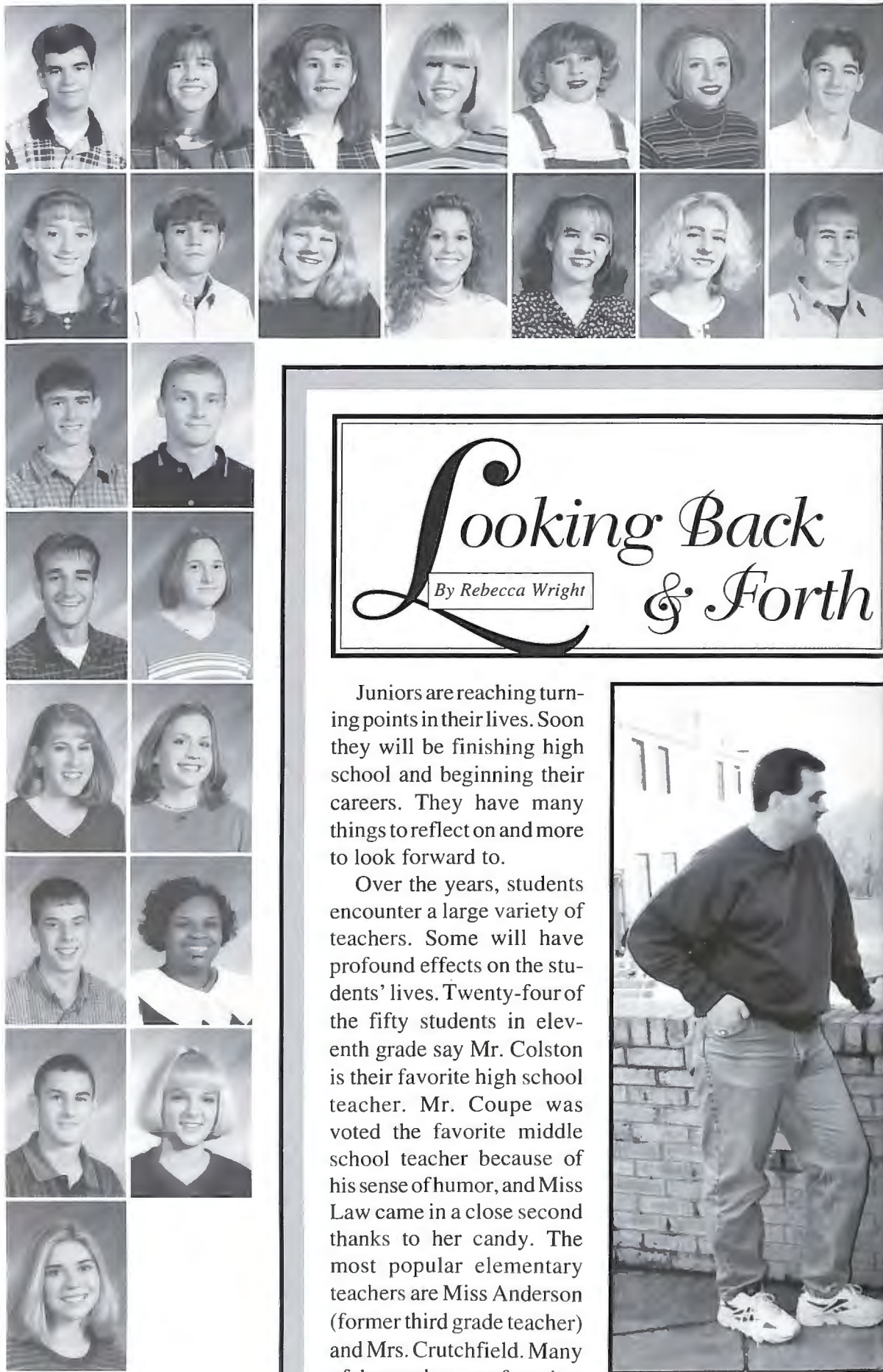
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Gina Guthrie  
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Justin Hurt  
Alisha Jackson

Drew Kaufman  
Corri Kendrick

Kristin Kidd



# Looking Back & Forth

By Rebecca Wright

Juniors are reaching turning points in their lives. Soon they will be finishing high school and beginning their careers. They have many things to reflect on and more to look forward to.

Over the years, students encounter a large variety of teachers. Some will have profound effects on the students' lives. Twenty-four of the fifty students in eleventh grade say Mr. Colston is their favorite high school teacher. Mr. Coupe was voted the favorite middle school teacher because of his sense of humor, and Miss Law came in a close second thanks to her candy. The most popular elementary teachers are Miss Anderson (former third grade teacher) and Mrs. Crutchfield. Many of the teachers are favorites because they care about their students, even after the pupil has moved on.



**FRIENDLY ADVICE.** Mr. Colston, the eleventh grade's favorite high school teacher, talks with LeEtta Turpin outside of the elementary building. Even on his





John Kraemer  
Chris Lawrie  
Rebecca Lockhart  
Josh Mabrey  
Lauren McKee  
Sarah Motley  
Erica Noble

Matthew Olichwier  
Jennifer Pagans  
Benjamin Pugh  
Jessica Rakes  
Patricia Rose  
Shannon Short  
Naomi Simmons

Andy Smith  
Erin Smith

Jana Smoot  
Andrea Spangler

Robbie Spencer  
Shannon Stamper

Becky Taylor  
LeEtta Turpin

Megan Weaver  
Todd Webb

Susie Weiser



**COLLEGE BOUND.** Naomi Simmons and Crissy Booth check out Cedarville College during College Day in the gym. Several of the colleges used candy and other incentives to attract the students to the tables.

Soon the juniors will be moving on to college. The majority of them want to go to college but are not yet sure where God is leading them. They hope to study to become doctors, missionaries, or perhaps just drift after they get out of college. A large percent of the girls want to get married. Most of the students would like to travel as well, Europe and Australia being the most popular choices. Students have a huge variety of things to experience in the future.

Teachers prepare the students for the things they will encounter once they get in "the real world." Students are encouraged to build a strong foundation on Christ, so they will be prepared for the future. One day the juniors will be able to look back with fond memories on the education that prepared them for an exciting future.



days off, Mr. Colston is willing to help out his students. Juniors can count on all of their teachers to be willing to help and give advice on anything.





Ben Allis  
Brynn Austin  
Jennie Ayers  
Nikki Breeding  
Dinisha Brown  
Josh Carter  
Paul Causey

Mandy Chisom  
Jamie Clark  
Nate Collogan  
Mark Colwell  
Andrea Dooley  
Erin Duff  
Kim Fisher

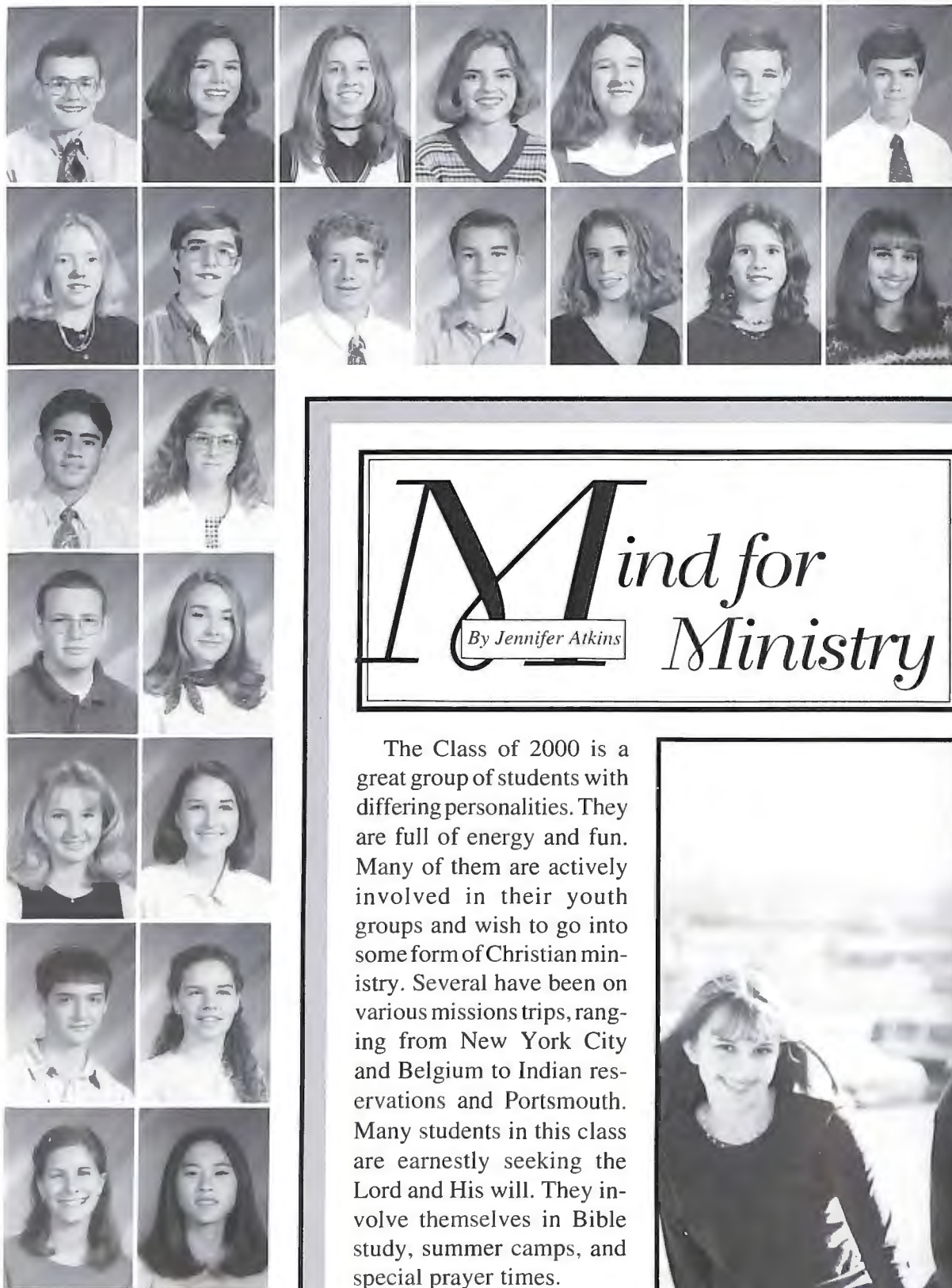
Nelson Flores  
Anna Fryar

Matt Gardner  
Jessica Gilbert

Chelsea Groggins  
Amanda Halsey

Phil Hassell  
Leanna Hollandsworth

Leslie Holt  
Molly Ison



# Mind for Ministry

By Jennifer Atkins

The Class of 2000 is a great group of students with differing personalities. They are full of energy and fun. Many of them are actively involved in their youth groups and wish to go into some form of Christian ministry. Several have been on various missions trips, ranging from New York City and Belgium to Indian reservations and Portsmouth. Many students in this class are earnestly seeking the Lord and His will. They involve themselves in Bible study, summer camps, and special prayer times.

Each Thursday, a small group from this class meets in Mr. Colston's room for prayer during lunch. Ben Allis, Jennie Ayers, Mandy Chisom, Seth Johnson, Maria Jones, and Anna Zimmerman spend the half-hour period on their knees, lifting up their requests to



**SITTING PRETTY.** Kim Fisher, Jessica Gilbert and Nikki Breeding dress quickly after gym class so they can wait outside for the bell to ring as they enjoy

**AT HIS BEST.** Greg Smith exhibits his fun-loving spirit as he attempts to duplicate the side of his face. This particular copier is meant for one-dimensional objects, however.







Megan Janney  
Seth Johnson  
Eva Jones  
Maria Jones  
Patrick Leonard  
Havilah Liederbach  
Dusty Martin

Mark Mundy  
Alen Naff  
Seth Parker  
Justin Presson  
Justin Price  
Matthew Ratliff  
Anita Schmitt

Leslie Shank  
Braden Sikkema

Greg Smith  
J. L. St.Clair

B. J. Terry  
Josh Tilley

Eric Thomsen  
Kathy Turkington

Anna Zimmerman



**FRIENDSHIP WORKS.** Matthew Ratliff and J. T. (Josh Tilley) work on the sophomore room during Spirit Week. The theme for their room was "Sophomore Spirit Never Runs Dry," depicted by an oasis in the desert.

the Lord and encouraging each other.

The students enjoy spending time with their friends, whether they are going out to eat, hanging at the mall, or just spending time talking. This time gives the students an opportunity to get to know one another better and to strengthen their friendships.

The sophomore year is one in which many of the students acquire their driver's license, placing a great responsibility on them. Many of the students try to take driver's education at the same place. With the newly earned privilege of driving, they can now run errands and have more freedom to go out with their friends.

Overall the class always seems to be having fun with one another and enjoying the time they spend together.



the beautiful day. These girls, friends since elementary school, enjoy being together any time they can manage during the school day.



**GATHERED IN HIS NAME.** Mr. Colston, Paul Causey, Justin Price, Ben Allis, and Amanda Halsey are involved with "Prayer on the Move." During the fall, the student senate helped organize this time for the students to pray for their school, their teachers, their peers, and the nation.



Jamie Bowles  
Rosalyn Cerasoli  
Michael Childress  
Jeff Clifton  
Sarah Couch  
David Dearing  
Josh DeLong

Josh Ginter  
Roger Graves  
Martha Haines  
Brent Helton  
Katie Kidd  
Lance Larson  
Justin Leonard

Darren Naff



**THINKING HIS HARDEST.** Josh Wang struggles to remember the answer to Mrs. Futrell's test questions. Think, Josh think! Answers are usually hardest to remember when there are only a few minutes left for the test!

**GOOD BOOKS.** Getting to class early, Sarah Couch hurries to get her outside reading finished before the bell rings for English class. Outside reading is used by Mrs. Futrell as a quiz grade during each grading period, and is usually an easy way for students to receive a good grade.



# Beginning Anew

By Michelle Tankersley

When the 8:30 bell rang on August 25, 1997, the freshmen class entered the first day of their high school career. As a whole, this class loves to have fun with their friends. Some of their favorite activities include going to the mall, talking on the phone, and being at each other's houses to watch movies or just hang out. Honesty, trustworthiness, understanding, loyalty, a good sense of humor, a good listener, not critical, "won't be an idiot" (Michael Childress), "doesn't mind if I'm in a bad mood" (Darren Naff), and having a good Christian testimony- these are the qualities that the freshmen look for in their classmates and friends outside of school.

When asked what problems they face as freshmen, their answers ranged from "None, I'm the man!"



**GETTING TOGETHER.** Saying goodbye to a good friend, these freshmen make sure they have pictures of one of their final days with Hannah Sadler as her





Jeremy Naff  
Whitney Osborne  
Amanda Poch  
Victoria Presson  
Holly Quesenberry  
Leslie Reynolds  
Kasey Richardson

Dana Roberts  
Aaron Shelton  
Christin Smart  
Tiffany Tankersley  
Courtney Waldron  
Josh Wang  
Lacey Wiseman



**MAKING THE GRADE.** Cramming for the test at the last minute, Martha Haines quickly reads her review sheet for the upcoming test. Every five minutes count when students have procrastinated in their studies.

**EATING IT UP.** Freshmen enjoy their first high school Christmas luncheon in the gymnasium. Each level of the school has its own unique celebration, with the high school enjoying a luncheon put together each year by the students' mothers. Many of the students receive a telephone call the week before the luncheon with a request to bring one item for the party. The moms work very hard to coordinate and prepare all of the food for the students and faculty. An extended time is given so everyone can fully enjoy the celebration as the students anticipate the joy of the season.



(Lance Larson) to "More homework (this is the real world now)" (Martha Haines). Other challenges the freshmen face are "trying to get to class on time . . . because the juniors don't care if they're late, so they stand in the hall and talk, and we can't get by" (Lacey Wiseman) and "having younger kids looking up to me all the time and older classmen looking down" (Victoria Presson).

The Junior/Senior Banquet, meeting new people, "more independence than I had in middle school" (Whitney Osborne), and passing geometry are some of what the freshmen look forward to experiencing in high school. Overall, these freshmen are looking forward to everyone of the many exciting experiences they will face in their future high school careers.



family prepares to move to North Carolina during the summer. Friends since elementary school, these students find it hard to let their companion go.

**EXPANDING THE MIND.** Making sure he has enough room for his growing brain, Aaron Shelton breaks from his schoolwork to model his new hat. Apparently, dunce caps have come a long way in fifty years!





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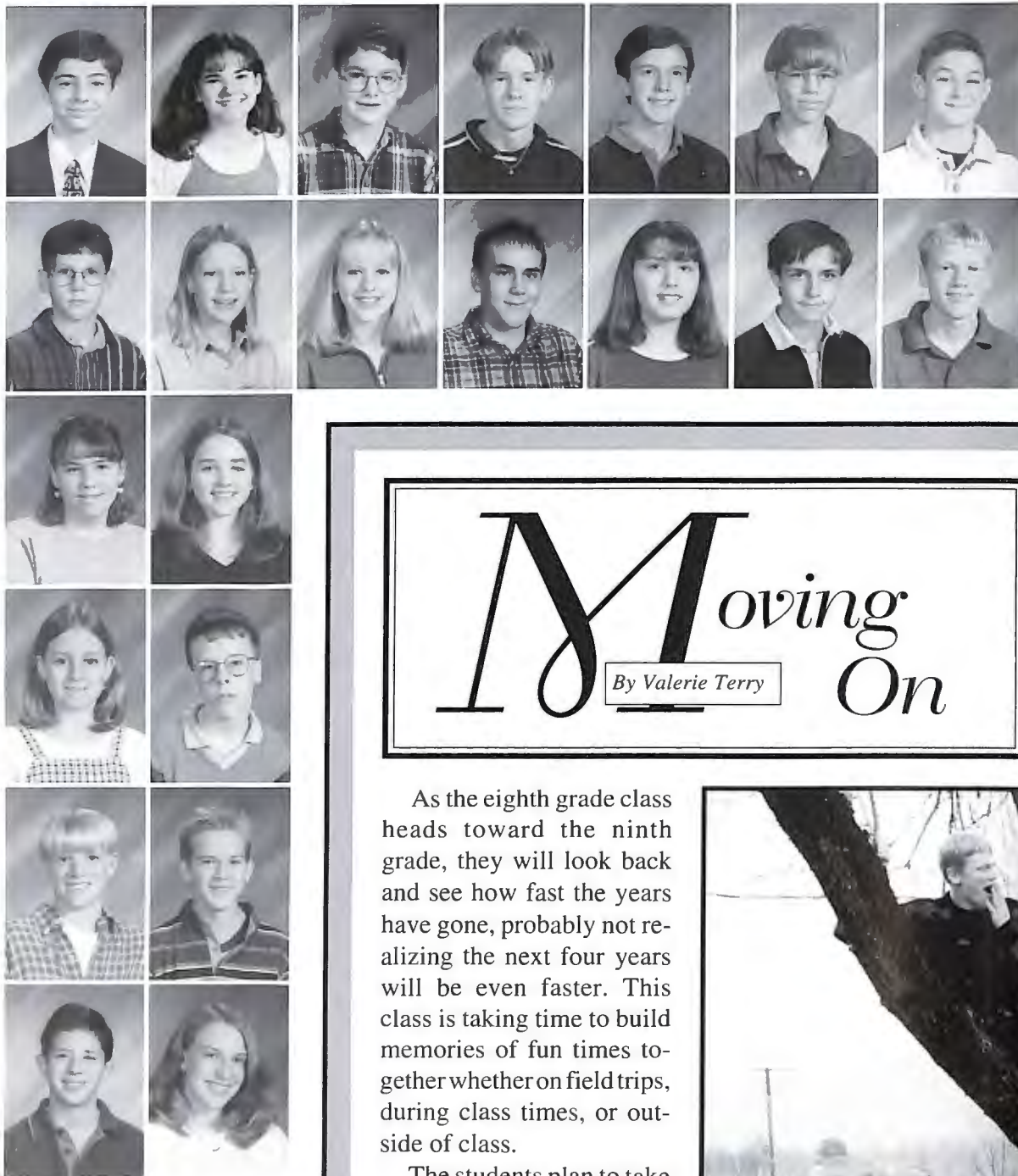
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Meredith Eckert  
Kristin Feldenzer  
Chris Ferguson  
Hannah Foster  
Ryan Fuller  
Joshua Fullmer

Cherie Hall  
Rebekah Halsey

Chastity Hartberger  
Bill Haun, Jr.

Zach Hellkamp  
Michael Hightower

Caleb Johnson  
Amanda Karnes



**SPARING TIME.** These friendly eighth graders take a rest from bowling during the middle school bowling party. The class was able to relax, eat, bowl, and spend time with their friends while taking time off school.

# Moving On

By Valerie Terry

As the eighth grade class heads toward the ninth grade, they will look back and see how fast the years have gone, probably not realizing the next four years will be even faster. This class is taking time to build memories of fun times together whether on field trips, during class times, or outside of class.

The students plan to take two field trips during the year. The first is to the library to research the latest technology. A trip to Richmond in the spring to see the capital is also a day to be anticipated. Field trips provide a good opportunity for students to get to know one another in different ways.

Science and math are the two favorite subjects among the class. Many feel that the best part of eighth grade is science class. One student said, "It was cool when Mr.



**HANGING OUT!** Josh Fullmer yawns broadly from the tree as Justin Malpass, Brittney Zimmerman, and Ashley Rorrer discuss the situation from below. The





Daniel Kim  
Martha Mabrey  
Justin Malpass  
Tia Mann  
Megan Motley  
John Penick  
Clennon Presson

Sarah Pugh  
Ashley Rorrer  
Michael Rose  
Justin Rossbacher  
Emily Smith  
Adam Speck  
Jeremy Stewart

Melody Terry  
Kyle Thomsen

David Whitlow  
Phillip Wright

Brynna Yentz  
Brittney Zimmerman

Chris Zimmerman  
Matthew Zimmerman



**MAGIC EYES.**  
Magic eye puzzles are hard for some and easy for others. Greg Cheatwood, Ryan Fuller, Zac Hellkamp, and Chris Zimmerman stare at the pattern in an attempt to see the hidden picture on the cover of the book.



Coupe caught the floor on fire, while at the same time almost burning his tie." Another highlight mentioned was when the students burnt off chemicals to see what color the gases let off.

A funny thing most of the class remembered was an incident at lunch. "During lunch, John Penick was leaning against the wall in his chair. His chair slid and he fell and all you saw were his feet up in the air," said Hannah Foster.

The middle school years are years of transition for the students. Led by Mrs. Shelton, Mr. Coupe, Mrs. Wegner, Mr. Park, and Miss Law, the students learn much while having fun. At the conclusion of this year the class will move from the top of middle school to the bottom of high school and start all over again.



trees in front of the annex are popular meeting places for middle school friends to congregate before school and during the day.



Curtis Allman  
Jonathan Assaid  
Molly Bailey  
Faith Bennett  
Jenna Bergum  
Crystal Bridges  
Michael Brinkley

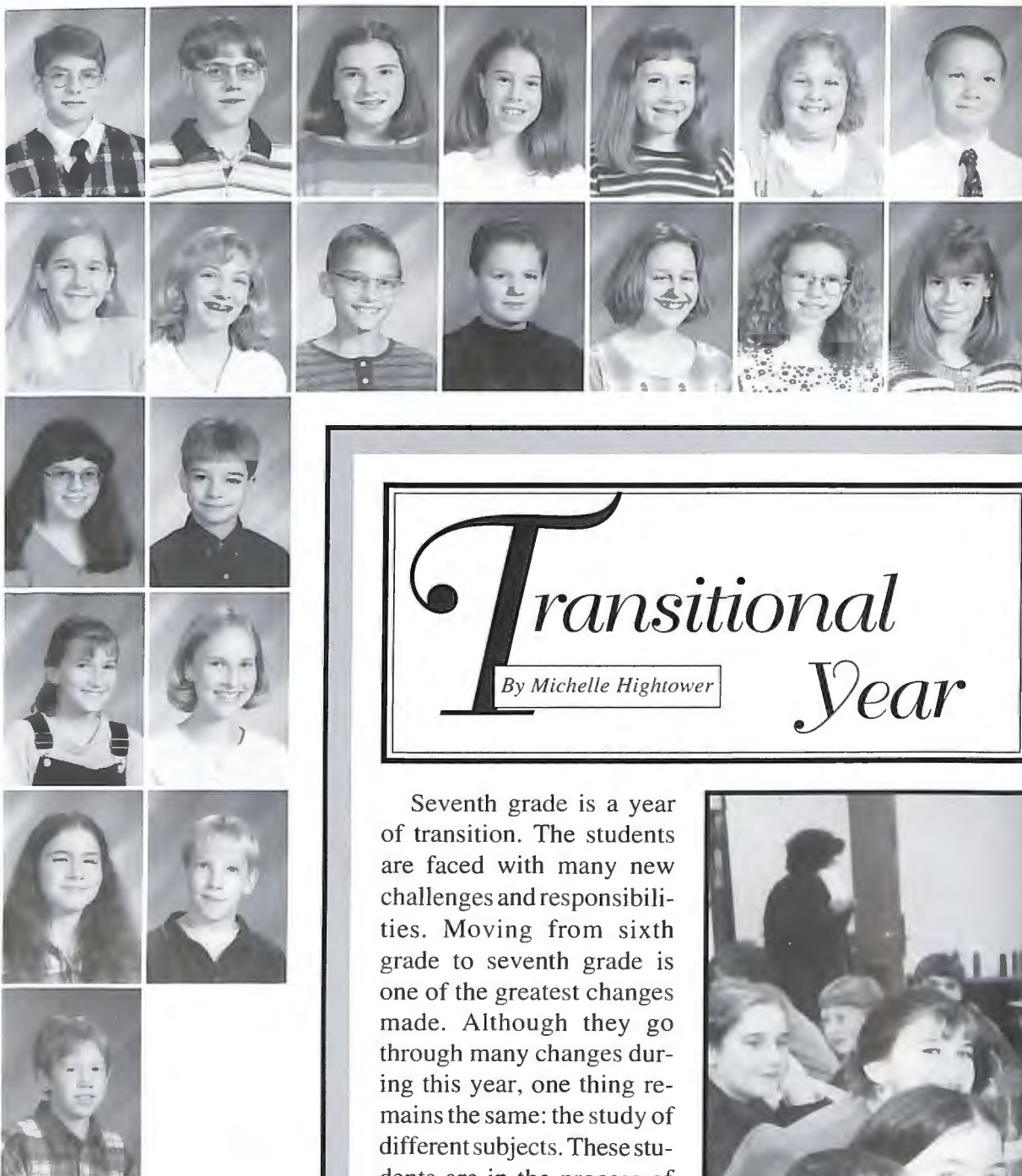
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Angela DeLong  
Kristin Denison  
Jessica Dobbs

Teena Edwards  
Jeremy Ferguson

Kristen Ferrell  
Julie Fullmer

Ashley Gardner  
Curtis Gearhart

Ryan Gillenwater



# *Transitional Year*

By Michelle Hightower

Seventh grade is a year of transition. The students are faced with many new challenges and responsibilities. Moving from sixth grade to seventh grade is one of the greatest changes made. Although they go through many changes during this year, one thing remains the same: the study of different subjects. These students are in the process of change, halfway between elementary and high school.

Changing classes each period is a new experience for the students. Electives include art, band, choir, Spanish, or even Latin. Having classes with different teachers makes keeping up with homework more difficult to handle. Students also begin to get a good look at science fair by working on the projects in groups.

Many different privileges come with entrance to the



**ALL SMILES.** Seventh grade girls flash smiles as they hold up the candy canes they received during the student senate fundraising sale. The sale was a big hit in

**PREPARING FOR BATTLE.** Cara Motes, a member of Phi Beta society, pours flour into a sandwich bag as she plans for revenge in "M & M Maneuvers." Each Friday the middle school societies participate in different activities. These seventh graders enjoy taking a break from academics for fun-time activities.







Somer Griffin  
Megan Hart  
Luke Hellkamp  
Ryan Holloway  
Joshua Jennings  
Brett Jones  
Cara Motes

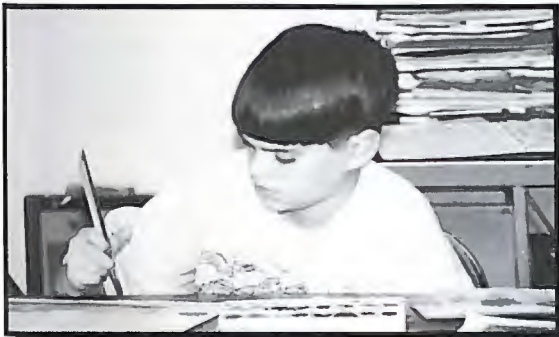
Jason Mundy  
Jesse Novak  
Barret Osborne  
Joshua Rhodes  
A. J. Rice  
Savanna Roach  
Joshua Roberts

Shawn Sanburn  
Lindsay Schaffer

Brad Stinson  
Grant Swartzendruber

Stacie Weiser

Lynn Wood



**INTENTLY PAINTING.** Seventh grader Jason Mundy works on a watercolor picture for art class. The middle school art program is a good opportunity for students to learn how to expand their imagination.



middle school this year as many students bought the candy to send to their classmates. This was an extra way friends could share during Christmas.

seventh grade. Changing from sixth to seventh grade also means receiving individual lockers. Having lockers gives the students a place to put all of their books. Some lockers are incredibly messy, but others are kept surprisingly neat. Gym class has changed also. The students now dress out for gym class.

When reaching the seventh grade, a person is eligible to play junior varsity sports. Many of the students participate in various sports programs, using these talents to serve God. With the grounding of Christian values and teaching, students are building the framework for learning how to respond to different dilemmas that life so often presents. As long as they keep their focus on God they will be able to make it through these transitions.



**WHERE IS IT?** Barret Osborne digs deep to find the book he needs for the next class. The ones needed most are usually the ones that drift to the very bottom of the locker and consequently are the hardest to find.



Philip Allman  
Josh Amos  
Deborah Angove  
Rebecca Assaid  
Hollie Austin  
Lauren Baxley  
Kim Bellows

Jessica Bowles  
Bethany DeHart  
Mark Dennis  
Katie Farmer  
Ryan Flack  
Jeremy Fryar  
Joel Ginter

Nola Gregory  
Amber Handy

Chad Hasson  
Matthew Haun

Gary Jenkins



# Challenging Moments

By Mary Childress

Being a part of middle school proved to be an exciting and challenging time for the class of 2004 who, despite their challenges, kept their sense of humor. "The most stressful thing about going to school for me is getting up in the morning!" said Katie Farmer. David Voss said the most stressful part of his school day is the amount of homework. When asked what he does about it, he simply answered, "Complain!" The sixth grade class, though sometimes arriving at school still trying to wake up, is a fun-loving, talented class not easily forgotten by those with whom they come in contact.

Throughout their daily activities, classes, sports, and friendships, the sixth grade class exemplifies a Christ-centered lifestyle. Jesus was named as the per-



**FOOD FOR THOUGHT.** Ryan Flack surveys the choices of food at the Middle School Christmas party. A favorite pastime of the entire sixth grade class is



**STARTING LINE-UP.** Friends gather together on one side of the room as they prepare for a game in which they ask and answer questions from the opposing team. Games such as this encourage the students to learn.

**STEPPING UP.** Matthew Rose waits for his bowling ball to be returned to him before he attempts to win the bowling match. Middle school students are given an afternoon at the bowling alley to celebrate the upcoming holiday.







Michael Kidd  
Anna King  
Andy Martin  
Brittany Martin  
Tyler McLauchlan  
Ben Motley  
Daniel Newell

Lora Olichwier  
Amy Parker  
James Pasley  
J. P. Presson  
Matthew Rose  
Michael Scoggins  
Salina Speck

Kevin Stephenson  
Josh Stovall

Essay Tewolde  
David Voss

Sarah Zimmerman



**STRENGTH IN NUMBERS.** Friends sit back and breathe a sigh of relief as they relax from the stress of daily life to enjoy their friendship. Being very athletically talented, this group is never at a loss for something to do!



son the majority of this class most looks up to, and this choice is clearly demonstrated in their support for one another. Mrs. Suhr said she admires "the way most are praying for and reaching out to one classmate who's hurting."

Being a very athletically talented class, much free time is spent in soccer scrimmages and other athletic endeavors such as basketball and skateboarding. The guys especially show interest in one day playing soccer professionally. The girls, while also enjoying sports, overwhelmingly prefer shopping expeditions with their friends. Food and clothes are a priority on these weekend excursions. Overall, this class is a talented group of people with high goals and ambitions as well as high expectations for themselves.



**CARE FREE.** With another school day behind them, friends gather at a volleyball game to relax and cheer for their team. The teams and the crowd love these gatherings of support on game days.

**WISDOM IN FOCUS.** Nola Gregory looks in the right place for knowledge as she reads from her Bible. Daily devotions in classes maintain the Christ-centered focus that each teacher ultimately prays for in the lives of his or her students.



enjoying a good meal. The pattern through the elementary, middle and high school appears to be, "Good food produces good work!"



Ashley Agee  
Matthew Beck  
Sara Bradley  
Larry Braxton  
Renee Brown  
Chris Carter  
Cindy Cerasoli

Marianne Collins  
Roger Deline  
Donnie Doolittle  
Levi Duff  
Kendra Fuller  
Lindsey Hale  
Thomas Harder

Johnny Hawkins  
Bryan Hill

Kimberly Janney  
Sean Jones



# Stepping Upwards

By Jennifer Atkins

Fifth grade is a time of growing and changing, preparing the students for the wonderful world of middle school. Fifth grade was added to the middle school program this year, moving from the elementary level. The students had more than one teacher, switching rooms during the day. The fifth graders have Miss Lawson for their reading time and Mrs. Smoot for math class.

In Bible class, the students learn a lot about the character traits Christians should have in their lives. They study the fruit of the spirit, as well as other Biblical attributes. The class also focuses a lot on prayer. Throughout the year the students write their prayer requests on paper links, then connect the rings together and string them around the room.



**HURRY UP!** Spence Mann and Lindsay Stinson are gathering their belongings in preparation for switching classrooms. Jonathan Murrill and Ashley Agee were also present.



**WHERE'S MY PEN?** Stephanie Long looks on as Anita Miller searches for her writing utensil. The class awaited the awarding of the prizes for the art contest and instructions from their teacher for the next subject of the day.

**GREAT JOB.** Joey Spencer stands with the artwork that won him a second place in the 25th anniversary contest. The students did an excellent job portraying Psalm 66:1, "For thou, O God, hast proved us: Thou hast tried us, as silver is tried."







Ricky Key  
Matthew King  
Luke Larson  
Stephanie Long  
Spence Mann  
Anita Miller  
Ashley Moxley

Josh Murray  
Jonathan Murrill  
Joey Pierce  
McKenzie Poindexter  
T. J. Powell  
Joey Spencer  
Brett Stamper

Lindsay Stinson  
Jessica Synder

Alicia Talley



**WHOSE IS THIS?** Mrs. Smoot holds up a nameless paper, wondering who the owner is. Sometimes the students are hurried and forgetful when they hand in their classwork, causing frustration for the teachers.



while the other students clear their desks so they could have their seats. Students change classes once a day in order to receive instruction from both teachers.

Many of the students' favorite time of the day is either recess or lunch. These two times give them a chance to take a break from their studies and talk with their friends. Most of the guys enjoy playing sports, especially soccer. The class enjoys the time they have on the playground because in future years their schedules will be more structured, rarely allowing time for play.

Fifth grade is a time of maturing for the students. They grow both physically and spiritually in these pre-teen years. It is sometimes quite a challenge to harness all of the energy generated by a classroom of these students, especially with all the varied interests represented by this group, but Miss Lawson and Mrs. Smoot work very well with them.



**AND THE WINNER IS . . .** Mr. Brown awards Donnie Doolittle the prize for taking first place in the 25th anniversary art contest. In order to coincide with the silver anniversary, Donnie's prize was five silver dollars.



**SERVANTS' HEARTS.** Jessica Snyder and Marianne Collins are ministering to the morning kindergarten class. Every other Thursday, the two of them, along with Renee' Brown, do chapel for their younger schoolmates. They lead in singing, tell Bible stories, and do skits and puppets.



Ben Baxley  
Matthew Bergum  
Brent Bowman  
Katie Braxton  
Kaylah Bryant  
David Colwell  
Ashley Cook

Kim DeLong  
Bethanna Eshelman  
Kari Farmer  
Andrew Feldenzer  
Leanna Ferguson  
Trae Ferrell  
Tabitha Fryar

Faith Griffin  
Amber Hasson

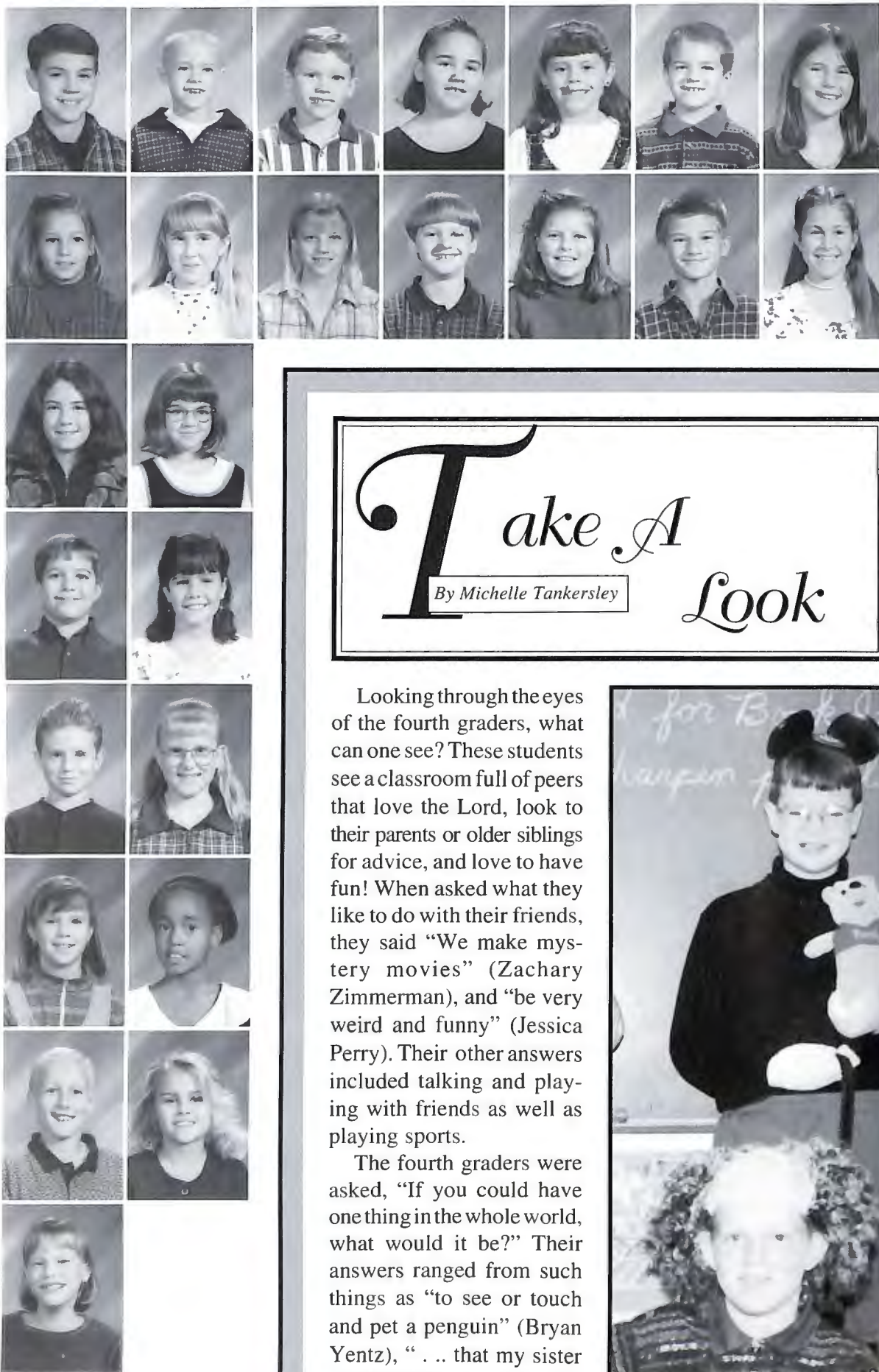
Nathan Hayes  
Katelyn Holt

Dre' Howes  
Alyssa Johnson

Carrie King  
Maria King

James Lawrence  
Christen Long

Laura Katherine Lucas



# Take A Look

By Michelle Tankersley

Looking through the eyes of the fourth graders, what can one see? These students see a classroom full of peers that love the Lord, look to their parents or older siblings for advice, and love to have fun! When asked what they like to do with their friends, they said "We make mystery movies" (Zachary Zimmerman), and "be very weird and funny" (Jessica Perry). Their other answers included talking and playing with friends as well as playing sports.

The fourth graders were asked, "If you could have one thing in the whole world, what would it be?" Their answers ranged from such things as "to see or touch and pet a penguin" (Bryan Yentz), "... that my sister would come home every day from college" (Laura Stephenson), "for everybody to love the Lord"



**ALL DRESSED UP.** Zachary Zimmerman, Joshua Spencer and Joel Quesenberry are dressed and ready for their first book report of the year. Oral





Angela Martin  
Wesley McKee  
Nicci Moats  
Philip Motes  
Erik Olund  
Juston Osborne  
Jessica Perry

Joel Quesenberry  
Brian Rhodes  
Bryce Robertson  
Logan Rose  
Rebeca Sanburn  
Kenneth Scoggins  
Heather Slusher

Justin Smart  
Faith Smith

Joshua Spencer  
Tia Spencer

Laura Stephenson  
Samantha Stovall

Chelsea Thomas  
Molly Thomas

Linda Woods  
Bryan Yentz

Zachary Zimmerman



**POINTING IT OUT.** Rebeca Sanburn shows Linda Woods and Zechary Zimmerman one of the fourth grade salt maps. This project is done by the fourth graders every year as one of their first big projects.



(Chelsea Thomas), to "being able to visit heaven any time you want" (Philip Motes).

The students have demonstrated an overwhelming desire to love and serve the Lord. Several of them profess an interest in Christian work. "I want to be in the Christian Fellowship Professional Athletes and play soccer and basketball" (Amber Hasson). Others said that they would serve the Lord by being a "missionary nurse" (Samantha Stovall), "a pastor" (Logan Rose), "a cow girl that preaches with a guitar" (Christen Long), and "a missionary doctor" (Tabitha Fryar). The fourth graders must be able to see proud parents and teachers watching them, amazed at the number of students growing and professing their love for Christ among their peers.

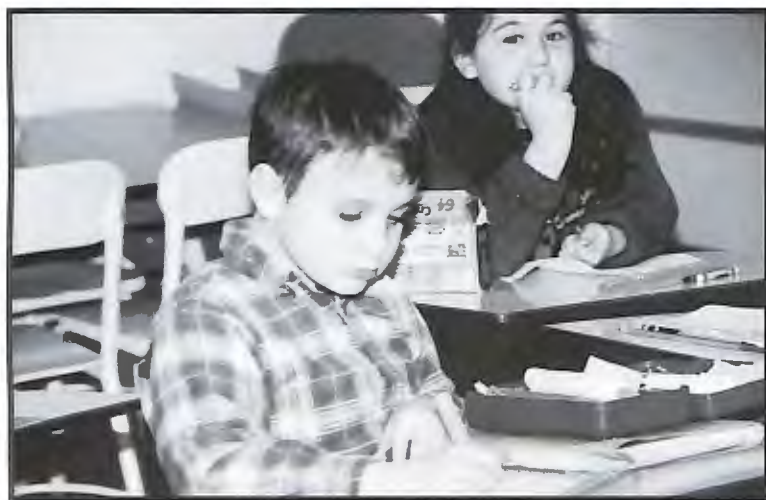


reports are difficult to do, but in spite of the nervousness, sweaty palms, red faces, and costume problems, these students came through with flying colors.



Beth Ann Austin  
Katie Blackburn  
Katie Booth  
Jamie Carty  
Kameron Collins  
Daniel Colston

Paul Connell  
Stephen Denison  
Jonathan Doolittle  
Corey Garland  
Alex Henderson  
Benjamin Jackson



**WORKING HARD.** Alex Henderson diligently underlines questions from a math worksheet as he works through the study guide supplied by his teacher, while McCall Wiseman thinks about the answer to her question. Students are encouraged to highlight the important things they need to know later for tests.



**SITTING PRETTY.** Cameron Collins flashes a smile during the Elementary Christmas Program. Students look forward to this special program and the opportunity to show their parents what they have learned in music class.

**THANKFUL HEARTS.** Bonnie Lawrie enjoys a picnic in the classroom. Each year teachers try to come up with new and exciting ways to celebrate Thanksgiving as they try to emphasize Christ and the real meaning of thankfulness.



# Making Changes

By Anna Zimmerman

Often children are said to be gifts from God, and these third graders are certainly not exceptions. Spending time with friends ranks highest in this class. Activities such as swimming, ice skating, and bowling are just several of the things enjoyed by these students. If you ask any one of them what their favorite part of the day is, you will undoubtedly hear "recess."

More work is expected from the students in the third grade. Moving from the basic skills of reading and writing to more complicated things like multiplication and division, the students are daily challenged by their teachers. They are also introduced to a new language, Spanish. Some Spanish III students visit the class rooms about once a week and teach numbers, songs, and common words such as names



**I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE.** Beth Ann Austin and Katie Blackburn place their hands over their hearts as they recite the Pledge of Allegiance. Pledges to the





Jacob Jackson  
George-Michael Kalafut  
Brad Kessler  
Bonnie Lawrie  
Ashley Lott  
Karen Nauss

Dwight Piraino  
Aaron Poch  
Kristen Price  
Jason Rothe  
Stephen Williams  
McCall Wiseman



**GIVING HEARTS.** Third graders gather around Mrs. Brown as she opens her Thanksgiving basket. Each student brings in one piece of fruit for his teacher as thanks for the teacher's hard work and service.



American flag, the Christian flag, and the Bible are recited daily in most elementary classes, usually at the beginning of the day.

of family members and kitchen utensils.

School is not the only place where new ideas are being introduced. The students are learning how age brings additional responsibilities. In addition to their homework, they are now expected to perform chores around the home, such as making their own beds, setting the dinner table, feeding pets and taking out the trash.

Another one of the many changes they have experienced this year is a new music teacher. Mrs. Collins has become a fast favorite among many elementary students, especially on the third grade level. Although the students are experiencing many changes, one thing has remained the same throughout their lives: God is always with them, and He never changes.



**CRAYON ANSWERS.** Bonnie Lawrie and Kristin Price color the answers on their assignment sheet. Being assigned to a math partner allows the students to share their knowledge, and being able to work together provides a time for them to get to know one another better.



**HAVING FUN.** Paul Connell joins in the Thanksgiving celebration. Parents brought in lots of food so all the children could feast as they celebrated this special holiday.

**IN THE WORD.** Jacob Jackson studies his Bible intently as he works on his memory verse for the week. Scripture memorization is a large part of the third grade curriculum.



Ryan Anderson  
Joshua Beck  
Hayley Booth  
Zachary Bowles  
Kenneth Bridges  
Sarah Butler  
Brittney Frith

Ben Farmer  
Rebecca Fryar  
Randy Grubb  
Patrick Harder  
Bethany Hayes  
Joel Hill  
Andrea Howes

Lianna Larson



**SMILING FACES.** Mrs. Scyphers' class shows off the posters they made to express their feelings about winter. Students enjoy making crafts, and teachers try to give them the opportunity to create things as often as is possible.

**DILIGENTLY WORKING.** Cara Long takes a break from school work to read a story about beavers. Elementary classes go to the library once a week to choose books for outside reading.



# Growing Up

By Anna Zimmerman

When asked who they would like to be if they could be anyone in the world second graders gave answers varying from angels to super heroes, but most of these kids are satisfied being themselves. This self-confidence carries over into all they do, whether at home or in school.

The students are loaded with energy and excitement. Having special treats throughout the year provides a break for these determined second graders. The classes attended a play at the Civic Center, and Show and Tell is a popular weekly event. Andrea Howes had her mom bring in the lamb she received for Christmas. The students loved this and the experience was highly educational as well. Mrs. Scyphers and Mrs. Fraser do everything in their power, from field trips to picnics in



**FURRY FRIENDS.** Andrea Howes shows Mrs. Scyphers how to pet the baby lamb. Andrea's mother brought the cuddly creature in for Show and Tell, a favor-





Joshua Lawrence  
Cara Long  
Ashley Masterson  
Caleb McAllister  
Tyler Meadows  
Daniel Motes  
Elizabeth Penick

Lauren Reid  
Jonathan Rose  
Ashley Snyder  
Eli Tilley  
Farren Williams  
Jonathan Willis  
Zachary Wray

Hannah Zimmerman



**SKILLFULLY WORKING.** Caleb McAllister works patiently in his workbook. Teachers frequently have the students begin an assignment in class so the accuracy can be checked before the work is completed at home.



the classroom, to make things interesting.

Even though second grade is a lot of fun, there is work involved also. The boys and girls exercise their minds with reading, writing, math and social studies. They spend much time in reading to build on the skills they learned in first grade. Reading will affect all of the subjects they study, so receiving a strong foundation in this area is important. Preparing these students for third grade is very important to the teachers, so they cover a wide variety of material.

Outside the classroom, favorite activities include soccer, basketball, bike riding, board games, and television. Time spent with family is also important to these students, and many boys and girls look forward to trips during the summer.

ite part of the week for these second graders. Students are encouraged to bring in items of special interest during this time.



**STEPPING UP.** Mrs. Fraser's class steps up into the van for a short trip to the Civic Center to see *Charlotte's Web*. Dramas taken from popular stories are presented each year for the children to see.



**MAKING THE GOAL.** Ashley Masterson takes a shot at the goal during the half-time break at a basketball game. Practice such as this will help Ashley win a place as an Eagle in later years. Many younger students enjoy attending sporting events with their family.



Daniel Angell  
John Angove  
Jeremiah Brandt  
Tyler Brown  
Haley Doolittle  
Matthew Dunbar  
Elana Fisher

Jonathan Fralin  
Kristyn Francisco  
Jimmy Hayden  
Allison Hasson  
Zachary Janney  
Logan Jones  
Kristen Key

Emily Laughon  
Sarai Long

Christine Mays  
Noah Meacham



# Moving Ahead

By Anna Zimmerman

First grade is definitely a step up from kindergarten. Much more work is required of the students as they begin the long road of academic challenge. Learning to read and write are just a few of the challenges with which these students are faced. Reading is the most important element of first grade, and the students daily practice to enhance these skills.

Going from spending only half of the day to staying the entire day is a big adjustment for these students. Lunchtime in the cafeteria comes early with snack time falling in the afternoon and usually coinciding with recess. Buying ice cream is a special treat for the children some days, and celebrations such as birthdays are not overlooked.

Miss Toms and Mrs. Palmieri try make learning



**PATIENTLY WAITING.** Lucas Rose, Jonathan Fralin, and John Angove wait for their ride in the car pool line at the end of the first day of school. The first day of



**EXCHANGING GIFTS.** First grade boys enjoy Christmas time by sharing gifts. Exchanging presents between students is a highlight of the classroom party enjoyed by these friends.

**PLEDGING ALLEGIANCE.** Brad Payne and Haley Doolittle stand with hands over their hearts while reciting the pledges. Students must memorize not only the pledge to the American flag, but also the pledges to the Christian flag and the Bible.







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Bradley Payne  
Justin Piraino  
Nikki Powell  
Kristin Powell  
Taylor Price  
Cameron Quesenberry

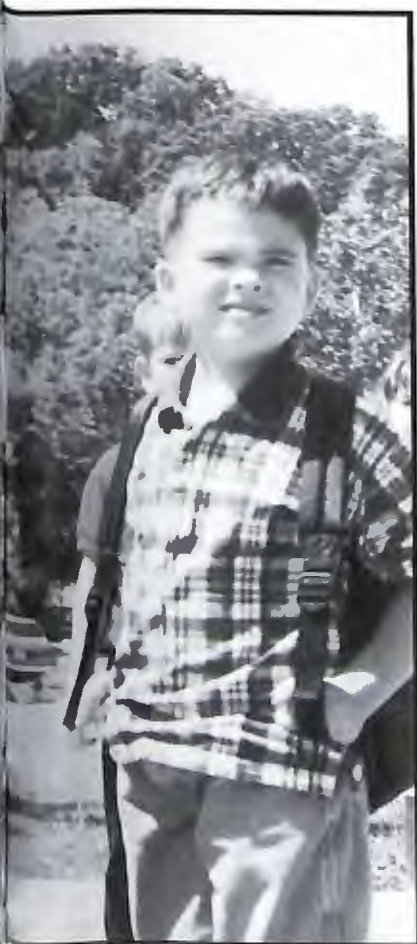
Jordan Reid  
Lucas Rose  
April Saul  
Steven Scoggins  
Chelsea Seddon  
Andrea Talley  
Logan Thomas

Gray Watson  
Joshua Webb

Effie Williams



**EATING OUT.** Justin Piraino and Daniel Angell eat lunch in picnic fashion following their return from a field trip. Lunch times are tightly scheduled to allow all of the grade levels the time they need to eat in the cafeteria.



school is a very full day for first graders and for many seems like the true end of summer since it signals the end of their freedom.

interesting as they use creative methods to reach the boys and girls. Although reading is a very important part of first grade, creative writing is introduced, and a heavy emphasis is also placed on math concepts. The boys and girls begin to memorize long portions of scripture together. Students are required to read entire books throughout the year, working in reading groups to perfect their skills. Each student has his own desk with his books and supplies as he begins working more independently.

One of the most important things these children will learn is how to be a good listener and to follow instructions. Practicing during work and play will reinforce these concepts. These tools will make each of them a better learner as they move through each grade level in school.



**TASTEFUL REWARDS.** Mr. Larson divides pizza among Jordan Reid, Haley Doolittle and Nikki Powell. This class won a pizza party for being the top-selling class in calendar sales.



**STEPPING UP.** Leigh Ann Olund and Allison Hasson load the bus preparing to leave school to attend a play. Field trips are fun times for the children as they see things they have studied in school.



Cory Barnett  
Hunter Biles  
Che'rie Braxton  
Ben Colston  
Andrew Connell  
Luke Feldenzer  
Molli Flowers

Hannah Grisevich  
Colin Hanley Jr.  
Timmy Hawkins  
Frazier Howes  
Jared Johnson  
Mallory Johnson  
Sarah Kersmanc

Cierra Kysor



**SUMMING UP.** Ashley Trivette practices putting her number cards in order. Repetitious use of the cards reinforces the skills used for counting in class.

**LISTEN UP.** John Vandergrift listens to a cassette tape for language arts as he develops his listening skills. Learning how to recognize and pronounce words is very important for building a strong foundation.



# Starting Out

By Anna Zimmerman

Starting school is part of every child's life. Kindergartners embrace the first day with mixed emotions: excitement and joy but also fear. Finally being able to leave home is a great feeling but new experiences are also scary. Leaving mom and dad, meeting new friends, and having a teacher are all very new things to these children. They are still young but old enough to want to spend time with friends as much as possible.

Being away from home part of the day is a big step, so Mrs. Crutchfield does everything possible to make the transition easy. All of the students love her; they couldn't have a better teacher. Doing her best to teach these students right from wrong and to instill in them the true reason for life is just part of her job. They will learn basic skills such



**COUNT OFF.** Alex Murill and Mallory Johnson sort and order the number cards as they practice their counting skills. The children first learn to count to thirty-one





Juliana Leon  
Nathan Lott  
Caroline Lucas  
Samantha Montgomery  
Alex Murrill  
Miranda Newman  
Rebekah Nienke

Brandon Paderick  
Nathan Perkinson  
Ryan Perry  
David Stanley Jr.  
Sydney Spigle  
Emily Thomas  
Ashley Trivette

John Vandergrift Jr.



#### NUMBER ONE.

Nathan Lott sorts through the number cards as he starts with the basics in learning how to count. Once this skill is mastered students are able to move on to more challenging skills and activities with numbers.

as cutting, gluing and working with numbers or with the alphabet. Mrs. Crutchfield puts much effort into teaching the children classroom discipline. Things such as staying in chairs, raising hands to speak, and walking in line are important skills for kindergartners.

As with most elementary students, recess is already their favorite part of the day. Playing on the jungle gym and swinging are just a few of the activities these kids enjoy. Many of them also enjoy playing with animals when they get home from school. Pets range from dogs and cats to horses and lambs. Some of their favorite things to do include camping, playing board games, roller skating, and coloring. Above all these boys and girls like being themselves, and individuality is the most important thing they will learn.



**TUMBLING DOWN.** The morning kindergarten class enjoys chapel in the classroom. With the regular chapel period coming in the afternoon, elementary students consistently lead chapel for these students during the time they are in school.

**WRITING IT DOWN.** Rebecca Nienke works diligently in her letter book. A big emphasis is placed on language arts, including writing skills.



so they can create a calendar for each month. These basic skills are applied to other areas as the students progress through the year.



**Mr. Robert Alderman.** B.S. University of South Carolina, M.Div. Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, D.Min. The Trinity Evangelical Divinity School of Trinity International University; Pastor, Shenandoah Baptist Church.

**Rev. Rick Brown.** B.A. Virginia Tech, M.S. Radford University; Administrator, Health Teacher.

**Rev. A. C. Hollins, Jr.** Th.B./M.A. Piedmont Bible College; High School Principal, Horticulture Teacher.

**Mr. Michael Larson.** B.S. Eastern Illinois University, M.Ed. Columbia International University; Elementary Principal, High School P. E. Teacher.

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



**AFFECTING LIVES.** Elders Bob Crawford and Tommy Powell, along with Youth Pastor Bob Barton, carefully study the next order of business to be addressed in the elder meeting. The elders make decisions affecting the school and the church.



**HEROINE OF THE DAY.** Generosity and sympathy abound from Mrs. Shelton as she fondly recalls how she saved the life of Moxie the rat. A friend of the family was unable to care for Moxie, so Mrs. Shelton saved her from certain death.



**NEW BEGININGS.** Mr. Hollins and Mr. Tankersley discuss the progress of construction on the new nursery building. When Mr. Hollins is not involved in the high school, he frequently helps out with odds and ends around campus.

# Administering Fun

By Vera Jones

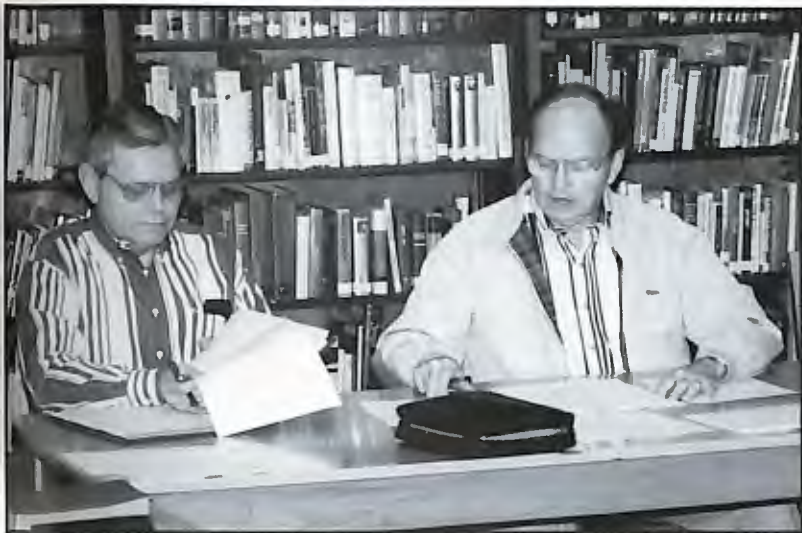
This year has been interesting and eventful for the administrators. Each of them spent more time in the classroom this year as they filled teaching positions. Mr. Hollins took on the task of teaching the horticulture and keyboarding classes while Mr. Brown and Mr. Larson taught the high school boys health and physical education classes. Mrs. Shelton also assisted by teaching one class period in the resource room.

The responsibilities of the past twenty-five years have not come without rewards. These rewards not only came in helping students further their educations, but also in funny incidents that took place during their time teaching. Mr. Brown recalls once when he was substituting in second grade and



**WELCOME WAGON.** Elementary school principal Mr. Larson welcomes brother and sister, Effie and Steven Williams to the first day of a new and





**DECISIONS.** Elder Carlton Wright and Pastor Robert Alderman consider items on the agenda for the elders meeting. Generally getting together once a month, this group provides final approval on financial and policy matters from the school committee. Elected from the church membership, the board, along with the senior pastor, are the final line of authority in the ministry.



**WOMAN AT WORK.** Managing the middle school can be a painstaking task at times, but Mrs. Shelton makes the job appear easy. With about 150 students under her supervision, she can have many interruptions to an already full schedule. Interviewing prospective students and giving them a tour of the school is also an important part of her job.



**DEDICATION.** The horticulture class watches as Mr. Brown cuts the ribbon around the new bridge. The class, taught by Mr. Hollins, built the bridge in order to provide a walkway and emergency entrance to the athletic field.



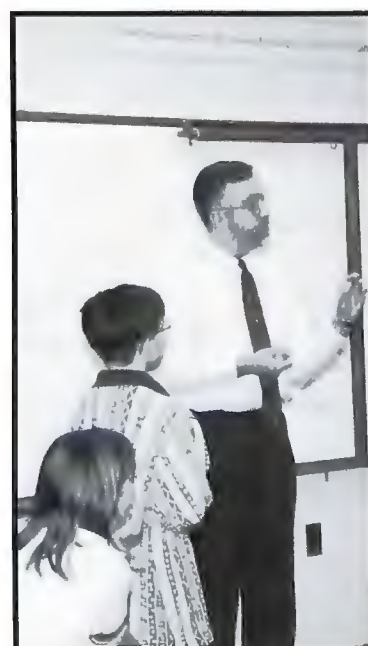
**OVER THE HILL.** Mr. Hollins waves hello to his fellow "retired firefighters" (Mr. Larson and Mr. Brown) at the surprise party. The event took place in the "Retired Firefighters Retirement Home" and was brought to an abrupt halt when the Home caught on fire.



taught the children the "greater than" and "less than" symbols backwards.

Mr. Hollins obtained his fiftieth year, celebrated with a surprise birthday party by the faculty and staff. Mr. Brown and Mr. Larson performed a skit in which they were living in the Old Fireman's Nursing Home. When the fire alarm went off, the retired firemen had their trusty fire hose ready. However, they could not get to the fire because they were unable to get out of the rocking chairs.

The administrators have had good times throughout the years. Many aspects of their jobs provide good memories. The difficult times are there also, but dwelling on the blessings helps keep the focus where it belongs, on God.



**SUBSTITUTION.** Mr. Brown helps in an elementary classroom as students work on division problems. In spite of his many responsibilities, Mr. Brown always enjoys getting in the classrooms and working with the students.



**CHRISTIAN SERVICE.** Mr. Larson takes a moment out of his busy day to help Mr. Suhr change a tire. The administration can be found all over campus at various times, helping students and faculty conquer the obstacles life sends along.

exciting year. Mr. Larson has a close relationship with many, and is a favorite of most students in the elementary school.



**Mrs. Denise Bailey:** B. S.; Elementary Librarian  
**Mrs. Donna M. Bergum:** B.S.N.; Nurse  
**Mrs. Cathy Bonham:** Secretary, Main School Office  
**Mrs. Carol Brown:** B.S.; Third Grade  
**Mrs. Elaine Brown:** Secretary, Main School Office

**Mrs. Melody Causey:** B.S.; Consumer Math, Introduction to Computer  
**Mrs. Judy Chilton:** B.S.; Computer, Yearbook  
**Mrs. Louise Collins:** B.S.; Elementary Music, Middle School Choir, Speech & Drama  
**Mr. Scott Colston:** B.A., M.A.; Social Studies, U.S. History, Government, Bible  
**Rev. Bill Coupe:** B.S., B.A.; Algebra, Math, Science

**Mrs. Midge Crutchfield:** B.A.; Kindergarten



**A HELPING HAND.** Elementary teachers have the privilege of teaching students during the early stages of the children's education. Second grader Andrea Howes obtains assistance from her helpful teacher. Mrs. Scyphers enjoys helping students create a Christian foundation on which to build their educational futures.

**THE KING IS BACK!** On the way home from the senior trip, Mr. Colston entertains the seniors with his Elvis impersonation. Mr. Colston livened up the twelve hour drive from New York by mouthing words to songs.



# Enduring Friends

By Vera Jones

One of the most unique and wonderful characteristics of the school is the faculty. Throughout the years this element has remained the same. The faculty members have devoted themselves to teaching the students as best they can, not only academically, but also spiritually. The faculty members are not only teachers, but also friends to the students. They pray for their students, help them through difficulties, and help prepare them for the bright futures that lay ahead.

The faculty is not "all work and no play." Some of their fondest memories have been of teachers' conventions and fun times together. From the morning basketball games with other faculty members to the long hours spent playing "Out-



**RAH! RAH! RAH!** Main office secretary Mrs. Bonham (right) shows that working as support staff does not only mean supporting the faculty. Mrs.





**Mrs. Becky Dennis:** Secretary, Middle School Office  
**Miss Joyce Flora:** Th.G., B.S.; Librarian  
**Mrs. Patricia Fraser:** B.S.; Second Grade  
**Mrs. Kathy Fryar:** B.S.; Fourth Grade  
**Mrs. Terrie Futrell:** B.A., B.S.; English

**Mr. Joe Grooten:** B.S., M.S.; English  
**Mrs. Carolyn Helton:** Secretary, High School Office  
**Mrs. Debbie Hill:** B.S.; Fourth Grade  
**Mr. Tracy King:** B.A.; Sixth Grade  
**Mrs. Lisa Larson:** B.S., M.B.A.; Algebra

**Mr. John Law:** B.A.; Physics, Chemistry, Geometry, Algebra I



**WATCH OUT FOR THAT TREE!** School Nurse Mrs. Bergum and her husband spend a relaxing weekend canoeing on a lake. The tranquil waters and the beautiful scenery proved to be just what they needed.



burst" and getting a call from the "front desk" complaining about the noise, the teachers' memories of conventions are all special.

The faculty has their share of funny moments. One teacher describes an incident in which she had gone to check the boys' bathroom during a fire drill, and walked in on a member of the pastoral staff. Another teacher recalls when one of his students asked if Jesus ever kissed anyone, and before he could answer, another student said "No, He never sinned!"

The faculty is a group of caring individuals who are extremely devoted to their students. Their willingness to be not only a teacher, but also a friend to the students has made them a big part of the success of the school.

Bonham, along with fifth grade teacher, Miss Lawson, show their support of the students by attending an Eagle basketball game.



**THE REWARDS OF TEACHING.** One of the rewards of being a teacher is the ability to help students achieve their goals and dreams. Mr. Tankersley presents Michelle Tankersley and Josh Wang with awards for Regional Senior High String Orchestra.



**FUN AND GAMES.** During the senior Christmas party hosted by Mr. Grooten, the students competed in a friendly game of *Family Feud*. Rebecca Long ponders over the names of the top five tennis legends, hoping to select the right one.



**Miss Ruth Law:** B.S.; Civics, Math, Geography  
**Mrs. Dianne Lawrence:** B.S.; Health/P.E., World History  
**Miss Roxanne Lawson:** B.S., M.S.; Fifth Grade  
**Mrs. Rhoda Long:** B.A.; Spanish, Latin  
**Mrs. Donna Osborne:** B.S.; Fourth Grade

**Mrs. Sandy Palmieri:** B.S.; First Grade  
**Mr. Nate Park:** B.S.; Health/P.E., Bible  
**Mrs. Sandy Perkinson:** B.S.; Elementary Resource  
**Mrs. Marsha Presson:** B.S.; Middle/High School Resource  
**Mr. Russ Presson:** B.MUS.; M.MUS.Ed.; Bible

**Mrs. Judy Primo:** B.S.; Fourth Grade



**HE SHOOTS! HE SCORES!** Spirit Week is time not only for the students to compete, but also for the teachers to get in on a little friendly competition as well. Mr. Presson graciously stepped in to the aid of a distressed Andy Smith in an exciting game of Foosball against the senior team of Jamie Breneman and Jonathan Polar.

**LET THERE BE LIGHT.** Support staffer Gary Short helps out around the school by installing lights, fixing things and mowing the fields for games. Mr. Short also volunteers his time each year to play the role of Jesus in the Shenandoah Passion Play.



# Staples & Stamps

By Vera Jones

Behind every great teacher, every stamped report card envelope, and every stapled, five-page exam, is the support staff. These secretaries, nurse, bookkeepers, teachers' aides, office aides, kitchen workers, and janitors are the heartbeat of our school. Through the years, the support staff has been the heart and soul of almost every activity during the school day. Without these workers, not only would the faculty and administration be lost in a sea of overflowing paperwork, but many students would be lost in their problems as well.

The support staff stays busy handling the work load for the school. The secretaries estimate they answer from two to three hundred telephone inquiries each



**I WANT MY MOMMY!** Mrs. Palmieri looks as though she could use some comforting as she receives her flu shot for the year. Dr. Bill Warren





**Mrs. Barbara Scyphers:** B.L.A.; Second Grade  
**Mrs. Darlene Smoot:** B.S.; Fifth Grade  
**Mrs. Dana Somers:** B.S.; Health/P.E.  
**Mrs. Beverly Suhr:** B.S.; Sixth Grade  
**Mr. Jeff Suhr:** B.S., M.S.; Algebra, Trigonometry, Math Analysis, Calculus

**Mr. Terry Tankersley:** B.M.E.; Band, Ensemble  
**Miss Marian Toms:** B.R.E.; Second Grade  
**Mrs. Donna Updike:** B.S.; Biology, Earth Science  
**Mrs. Delores Wegner:** B.S.; Math, English, Middle School Newspaper  
**Mrs. Cheryl Whitfield:** B.A.; Elementary Art

**Mrs. Janet Wimmer:** B.A., M.A.L.S.; High School Art



#### A HELPFUL

**HINT.** While treading "up the preverbal tributary without any means of propulsion," many middle school students stop along the way to ask Mr. Coupe for help with their math homework.



provided flu shots to the staff in an effort to ward off the flu that seems to sweep over the school during the winter.

day, just as the kitchen staff prepares two to three hundred lunches daily. Grounds and maintenance workers keep a long list of jobs to do while the accounting office handles the financial records of each student.

A day in the life of a support staffer consists of many responsibilities. Everything from pinning splits in skirts to helping the yearbook staff identify students in the middle and elementary schools are asked of the support staff in one day. If these people were not here, many a teacher or student would be lost in the shuffle of school life. Through the years, the support staff has been asked to do many tasks. However, no matter what the problem, or how many paper cuts, they always have a smile on their face.



**DITTO.** Mrs. Hill makes copies for the test she is planning to give her fourth grade class the next day. Teachers find it challenging to use the various types of copiers provided, with the Gestetner receiving the most use.



**BACK IN THE DAY.** For Decade Day during Spirit Week, Mrs. Updike took everyone back in time. Adorned in but-tercup yellow, bell-bottomed pants and short sleeved, striped shirt, Mrs. Updike was a picture of the '60's.



# G I V E T H E G L O R Y

The 1997-98 women's teams took center stage this year in sports, beginning in the fall with the Varsity Women's Cross Country Team's second place finish in the state junior division. Although the girls were outnumbered at many of the meets, they were not kept from taking the trophy.

In the winter sports, the Varsity Women's Basketball Team took the championship trophy at the BRC for the third year in a row. The team then went on to compete in the state competition, where they finished sixth. Encouragement from the girls on the varsity team helped the JV Women's Basketball Team to work even harder. The result was a season that ended in a third place victory in the BRC. The Men's Varsity Basketball team also placed second in the VIC this year. The men were the first in RVCS history to go to a championship game.

Finally, in the spring, the Varsity Women's Softball Team went undefeated in the regular season, placing them first seed going into the BRC Tournament. The girls defeated Timberlake to advance to the Final Four, where they finished a strong fourth. Meanwhile, the Varsity Women's Soccer Team also went into the BRC Tournament sitting in first place. The ladies played hard and earned themselves a second place trophy.

The 1997-98 sports season for RVCS was a successful one. Not only did many of the teams place well, but the men and women also learned teamwork, determination, and encouragement. Each of the teams look forward to becoming even more successful in the years to come.

*By Vera Jones*







**PRACTICE PAYS OFF.** Alen Naff demonstrates the talents used by the Eagles. The Eagles took on more challenging opponents to get to the championship round.

**UNITED THEY STAND.** The varsity softball team offers a prayer before their game. The Eagles finished the regular season in first place and took fourth in state.



**THE TIES THAT BIND.** The Varsity Womens' Soccer Team gather on the bus for their first away game of the season. The team contributes their success not only to their hard work, but also to the friendships they share. Being friends off the field makes games more fun and also unites the team in a unique way.

**ON A ROLL.** Coach Dixon, along with his team, displays the varsity women's basketball championship trophy. Coach Dixon has received Coach of the Year Awards three of his last four years of coaching. He will be missed next year as the Lady Eagles try for their fourth consecutive banner.



# TURNABOUT IS FAIR PLAY

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The 1997-98 varsity soccer team at "ole RVC" was a special team, going from an 8-0 loss to Covenant in their opening game, to being the only team to score on second place regional team, Eastern Mennonite, on their home field. The team began needing much work playing together, and having two new players from other schools and one from a foreign country hampered the team from achieving the camaraderie necessary.

The team improved their passing, ball handling, and "walking" the ball into the goal, thanks to the dedication of the coach. Mr. Price would "suffer" with the team through the practices which he designed. A practice for this team began with eight laps around the soccer field (roughly 1.5 miles) at a greyhound's pace. On occasion, they would run Indian runs around the field, followed by stretching out, then participating in a full field scrimmage. At the end of practice, the exhausted team would begin running "wind sprints," and not just a few, but usually close to an entire mile of these.

This year's team was transformed from fifteen individual players to a team of fifteen, showing good sportsmanship and achieving recognition from several referees for their testimony.

## DEEP BREATH.

Take a deep breath, relax, and look at where you want the ball to go. This is what Josh Foster does as he prepares for a corner kick at the Eagle's home field. Coach Price always taught that the last place that you look before you send the ball is where it will go. Josh keeps this in mind as he prepares to send the ball where he hopes that it will add a point to the Eagles' score. Corner kicks proved to be a very valuable asset to the team this year thanks to aggressive offensive coverage by the other players on the team.

**ANTICIPATION.** In order to make themselves available to receive the pass, seniors Garrett Suhr and Daniel Bivins sprint ahead of the defense. Teamwork was evident in the soccer team throughout the season.



**FAR FROM HOME.** Facing an obstacle much bigger than himself, Nelson Flores (14) uses his skill to compensate for his size on the playing field. This was Nelson's first year playing for the Eagles since he moved here from Honduras. Nelson has been a valuable asset to the team.



## EagleScores

ALL CONFERENCE: JOSH FOSTER, JUSTIN PRICE;  
COACH'S AWARD: DANIEL BIVINS; BEST OFFENSIVE  
PLAYER: JOSH FOSTER; BEST DEFENSIVE PLAYER:  
JUSTIN PRICE; CAPTAIN AWARD: BEN CLARK;  
GARRETT SUHR, TIM SPENCER.

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Covenant	0-8(L)	Grace	0-1(L)
Holy Cross	2-7(L)	Holy Cross	2-3(L)
Dayspring	5-0(W)	Fishburne	5-2(W)
Miller	3-2(W)	Timberlake	1-1(T)
Lynchburg Christian	3-1(W)	Hargrave	0-4(L)
Carlisle	8-0(W)	Eastern Mennonite	1-3(L)

**"TEAM WORK!"** The cry emerges from the huddle at half time as the Eagles prepare for the remainder of the game. The team's season was a success due not only to the skill of the players, but also to the unity of the team on and off the field.







**THE 1997-98 VARSITY MEN'S SOCCER TEAM.** Back: Coach Hayden Price, Daniel Bivins, Tim Spencer, Garrett Suhr, Josh Foster, K. C. Gilbert, Ben Clark, Nate Collogan, Chris Crawford, and Rebecca Long (manager). Front: Greg Smith, Seth Parker, Justin Price, Nelson Flores, Drew Kaufman, Josh Tilley, and Mark Colwell.



**FOR BETTER OR WORSE.** Despite a fractured arm, Chris Crawford (45) penetrates the defense to help the Eagles keep the pressure on. Chris was a flexible player, switching off between goalie and offensive positions throughout the season. His willingness to play in different positions was a great help to the team this year.



**SHOWING THE MOVES.** As the offense tries to pull one over on the Eagles, sophomore Mark Colwell (33) displays a quick trick or two and leaves the opposition at a dead end.

**A QUICK BREAK.** Seniors Ben Clark and Garrett Suhr share a laugh as they jog up the field between plays. The soccer team was a closely knit group this season.



## STRENGTH IN NUMBERS.

Close friends Lance Larson and Michael Childress run side by side as they steadily gain on other runners. This unity, along with a close measure of ability, is what defined the unique camaraderie of the team.



## EYES ON THE GOAL.

With focus and determination, sophomore Paul Causey lengthens his lead on the other runners. Step by step, over each hill, every runner must, in order to obtain the goal, learn to keep his focus despite the distraction of cheering friends and family along the course.



## MILES TO GO.

Bursting into action at the sound of the starting gun, Lance Larson and Ben Allis take an early lead in the race. Strategy and planning are essential elements to the sport of cross country. Runners must be aware of their own strengths and weaknesses.



# EagleScores

ALL CONFERENCE: HAMPTON PASLEY, DREW KAUFMAN; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: HAMPTON PASLEY; MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: PAUL CAUSEY; MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER: BEN ALLIS.

Opponent	Place
Radford Invitational	10/23
Eastern Mennonite Invitational	10/19
North Cross/Hargrave	1/3
Roanoke Catholic/Hargrave	2/3
Roanoke College Invitational	11/14
Miller, Roanoke Catholic, Eastern Mennonite, Covenant	1/5
RVCS Invitational	1/5
METRO	no team score
Fishburne	1/2
VIC	2/8
State	no team score

# A STEP ABOVE THE REST

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Throughout the cross country season, the varsity men's team learned to define togetherness and unity through many unusual experiences. The highlight of the year for most of the six-man team was the bus rides to and from the meets. The rides over were very focused, but the ride back was "cut-loose" time!

On October 14 at Fishburne Military Academy, the varsity men's team shot through the finish line, arms linked together, sweeping first place in a five-man tie, showing extreme unity and love of their sport. Other highlights came about midway through the season, first at the Miller meet, in the first competition against four other conference teams, and second at the RVCS Invitational a week later. Our teams won both of these. Placing second in the state junior division was an apt ending to a great season for the girls.

It's not often that a group comes along who can improve, achieve, and work together as a team as well as the 1997 Varsity Mens Cross Country Team. The varsity men's and women's coaches, Jeff Suhr and Mike Larson, summarized the season saying, "We love our team's training together much of the time, encouraging each other all of the time. It is an ongoing blessing to work with such a fine group of athletes and individuals."

## AHEAD OF THE PACK.

Freshman Michael Childress lengthens his lead on other runners step by step. Having only one senior and junior on the varsity men's team, the freshmen guys took their place and kept an attitude of victory as well as fun. Many close friendships developed between the older and younger runners as they trained together and learned from one another's experience. This support and encouragement is what set them apart as a team. Because the team will lose only one senior, they should be strong in the future. Coach Jeff Suhr looks forward to the nucleus of this team returning stronger than ever next year.





**RUN TO WIN.** With a look of extreme determination, freshman Jeremy Naff widens his lead on other runners. This was Jeremy's first year on the team and his joyful attitude and hard work proved to be a great addition.

**EARNING EVERY INCH.** Senior Hampton Pasley takes the lead as he pushes his way around a difficult turn. Not only are the courses long, but they also contain many hills and difficult terrain. All obstacles were overcome by the focus and hard work shown by the team.



**STRENGTH THROUGH UNITY.** Runners Drew Kaufman, Hampton Pasley, Michael Childress, and Lance Larson relax after a race and enjoy fellowship together. Despite varying interests and ages, every member of the team got along well, united by their love for Christ and their love for running.



**THE 1997 VARSITY MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM.** Back: Coach Mike Larson and Coach Jeff Suhr. Middle: Hampton Pasley, Drew Kaufman, and Michael Childress. Front: Paul Causey, Lance Larson, Jeremy Naff, and Ben Allis.



**NEVER SHAKEN.** Running close together, Lauren McKee and Andrea Dooley make a formidable obstacle for other runners. Closely matched skills and friendships were a foundational point for the team as the girls learned to work together and support one another.

**STEP BY STEP.** Junior Lauren McKee maintains her strong lead on opposing runners as she makes her way to the finish line. This was Lauren's first year on the team, and her focus as well as her many athletic talents were an important addition to the group.



**A STEP ABOVE.** Although many struggle to catch her, Jessica Rakes appears unshaken as she strives for the lead. Jessica, with great joy and a Christlike attitude, consistently supported her fellow teammates. As the team grew closer, they learned to support and rely on one another's encouragement and determination.



**THE 1997 VARSITY WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM.** Back: Coach Jeff Suhr. Middle: Molly Ison, Jessica Rakes, Lauren McKee. Front: Tiffany Tankersley, Kristen Feldenzer, Andrea Dooley, and Sarah Motley.





**WHEN ALL IS SAID AND DONE.** Friends Tiffany Tankersley and Molly Ison spend time together following one of the races. The time after races is one of relaxation and fun as the team simply enjoys one another's company.



**INNER STRENGTH.** Looking strong, freshman Tiffany Tankersley holds her lead as she reaches the top of the hill. Despite her small size, Tiffany was the number one runner of the team this season, showing that strength truly does come from the inside out.

## EagleScores

Opponent	Place
Radford Invitational	17/25
Eastern Mennonite Invitational	10/17
Roanoke Catholic/Guardian Angel	1/3
Roanoke College Invitational	4/10
Roanoke Catholic, Eastern Mennonite, Guardian Angel	1/4
RVCS Invitational	1/5
METRO	8/12
Guardian Angel	1/2
Roanoke Catholic Invitational	2/5
State (Junior Division)	2/9

ALL CONFERENCE: TIFFANY TANKERSLEY, MOLLY ISON, ANDREA DOOLEY, MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: TIFFANY TANKERSLEY, MOST DILIGENT PLAYER: MOLLY ISON, MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER: ANDREA DOOLEY.



**VOICE OF EXPERIENCE.** Andrea Dooley receives words of wisdom from Coach Jeff Suhr. Every member of the team learned, and was challenged and instructed by lessons from coaches who truly care about their team.

**AIM HIGH.** With concentrated skill and focus, sophomore Molly Ison uses the hill in this course to widen her lead on her opponents. It is not uncommon to see the colors of Roanoke Valley Christian moving up among competitors. As in the sport of running, these girls know where the focus of their lives should be: on Christ. Through prayer, support, and encouragement, the girls grew mentally and physically as a team. Love for Christ is evident in the lives of the team members as they move closer to Him. Cross country runners learn to take their races step by step, always focusing ahead, sights set on the finish line.

## EYES ON THE GOAL

Victory does not depend on numbers. Strength does not depend on size. The 1997 Varsity Womens Cross Country Team astounded onlookers with their high placed runs, as well as their strength, perseverance, and talent through every situation. Although the team consisted of only six girls, they took first place in many meets, including a competition against four other conference teams and the RVCS Invitational only one week later.

The varsity women's team laughed together, trained together, encouraged one another, and competed against each other, building their unity and successes throughout the season. Perhaps the largest and most remembered victory of the year was taking second place in the state junior division despite sickness and injuries. This was a huge joy and honor for the women's cross country team which will be remembered for many years to come.

Led by Coach Jeff Suhr, the team learned the true meaning, both physically and mentally, of the verses found in Hebrews 12:1b-2: "... let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus."

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**THE 1997 VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TEAM.** Back: Coach Dana Somers, Erica Noble, Suzie Weiser, Tiffany Dobbs, Amy Rumbley, Ashley Rorrer (statistician). Middle: Eva Jones, Courtney Waldron, Vera Jones. Front: Jessica Gilbert, and Becky Hart.



# EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED.

As senior Amy Rumbley sends a hard hit over the net, her teammates Eva Jones and Courtney Waldron move quickly into their next position. Transition and anticipation, two of Coach Somers' favorite skills, were drilled into the minds and hearts of the girls relentlessly all season long.



**HOW LOW CAN YOU GO?** Becky Hart falls to her knees to set the ball to her teammate, Suzie Weiser, to complete the play. Getting low and using the legs are skills that are essential to the game.

**ON THE ATTACK.** Suzie Weiser takes her approach and attacks Holy Cross with one of her power "dinks". Suzie's dinks, and the confusion they caused the opposition, were a great addition to the team.





**PERFECT FORM.** Senior Amy Rumbley demonstrates perfect form as she prepares to spike the ball. This was Amy's first year on the varsity volleyball team. Her consistently strong hits as well as her defensive skill proved to be a valuable addition to the team's offensive game. Amy worked hard on her hits and serves throughout the season, and the result was a player who started each game and was feared by the other teams for her powerful aces. The varsity volleyball team will miss Amy as well as Vera Jones, the other graduating senior, next season.

# A YEAR OF LEARNING FOR THE EAGLES

The 1997 varsity volleyball season was a learning year for the Eagles. Improvement was seen in each lady, and great steps were made throughout the season. The Lady Eagles worked hard to better their skills and determination, and the result was a year full of fun and improvement. As the season progressed and the girls improved individually, the team improved as a whole.

The season record of 3-12 overall and 2-10 in the Blue Ridge Conference reflects nothing of how the Eagles could play. The girls showed incredible skill this season. Whether in practice or in a game, the girls demonstrated a skill and determination that proved that a wealth of talent was among the ladies. In many games the girls would come from behind to take a game or two in the match. Usually this would take place against the Eagles' tougher opponents. These few games within the many sets that the girls played throughout the year helped to encourage them to work harder. This also helped them to improve their skills even more throughout the season. Another comment about the Eagles was that no matter what the score, the girls never lost their team spirit. The Eagles stood their ground and played proudly amidst the cheering of their many supportive fans.

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## EagleScores

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Daysprint	3-2(W)	Lynchburg Christian	0-3(L)
Timberlake	0-3(L)	Gateway	0-3(L)
Roanoke Catholic	2-3(L)	Stuart Hall	3-0(W)
North Cross	0-3(L)	North Cross	0-3(L)
Holy Cross	0-3(L)	Grace	0-3(L)
Grace	0-3(L)	Roanoke Catholic	0-3(L)
Stuart Hall	3-0(W)	Holy Cross	0-3(L)
Virginia Episcopal	2-3(L)		

ALL CONFERENCE: TIFFANY DOBBS; MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: ERICA NOBLE; MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER: COURTNEY WALDRON; COACH'S AWARD: VERA JONES.



**DEFENSE.** Passing, demonstrated by Tiffany Dobbs, is one of the most important skills defensively in the game of volleyball. Tiffany's defensive skills and abilities this year proved to be a valuable asset to the team.



**THE ROOKIE.** Freshman Courtney Waldron began her varsity volleyball career this season. Courtney improved a great deal throughout the season and earned herself a starting position towards the latter half of the season.



**GETTING TOGETHER.** One of the most encouraging qualities of the volleyball team was their team spirit. Between each play, before each game, and during time-outs, the girls were always getting together for an encouraging word or two.



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The 1997 JV soccer team was an interesting one. The team represented players from grades six through eight, as well as one foreign exchange student. Diversity of the team, however, did not hinder their ability to play; in fact, it helped a great deal.

The JV soccer season was also a year of firsts for the team, with several men having never played for RVCS before. Games throughout the season were missed due to illnesses, surgeries, or prior commitments. Many of the men had to fill unfamiliar positions. Four different team members played goalie this season. Inconsistencies accounted for some losses, but through these times the guys learned more about the game of soccer and how to improve their skills.

The team's record for the year was 6-6, including two victories over teams who had won the previous meeting with RVCS. The Eagles went undefeated at home throughout the season, and were rewarded with a second place win in the EMHS tournament. Throughout the season the guys reflected a great Christian testimony as well as determination out on the field.

**FANCY FOOTWORK.** Joshua Wang's coordination enables him to block the opposition and carry the ball up the field for a chance to score. Quick footwork is an important key to handling the ball in the game of soccer. Many times it could mean the difference between scoring and losing possession.



**SQUEEZING PAST.** After a hard sprint across the field, defender David Dearing stops the offense from Timberlake in its tracks with a powerful kick up the field, clearing the ball to his teammates who were anxiously awaiting the chance to score.

## EagleScores

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Holy Cross	3-4(L)	Hargrave	0-5(L)
Carlisle	1-3(L)	Timberlake	5-1(W)
Grace	4-1(W)	Hargrave	2-1(W)
Lynchburg Christian	4-1(W)		
Dasyspring	1-5(L)	VIC Tournament	
Holy Cross	3-1(W)	Covenant	3-0(W)
Eastern Mennonite	1-3(L)	Eastern Mennonite	0-5(L)

ALL TOURNAMENT: LUKE HELLKAMP,  
DANIEL KIM, COACHES AWARD: JOHN  
ASSAID, JUSTIN ROSSBACHER, CAPTAIN  
AWARDS: ZAC HELLKAMP, DARREN NAFF



**THE 1997-98 JUNIOR VARSITY SOCCER TEAM.** Back: Lynn Wood, Jeremy Stuart, Chris Zimmerman, Josh Fullmer, Justin Rossbacher, Daniel Kim, Jonathan Assaid, Josh Wang, David Dearing, and Coach John Law. Front: David Causey, A. J. Rice, Phillip Wright, Zac Hellkamp, Darren Naff, Luke Hellkamp, Adam Speck, and Michael Hightower.



# EXCITEMENT TO THE LAST SECOND

"SMACK!" Cara Motes spikes the ball back at the opposition to score the point. Cara was a setter, as well as part time net-man this season. Many of the team's points were attributed to the hard hitting and outstanding net-playing done by the setters and hitters.



The 1997-98 JV volleyball team was young this year, but this did not stifle the girls' style. The team consisted of four sixth graders, five seventh graders, and one eighth grader. Throughout the season each of the girls worked hard and developed new skills.

The Eagles were known as the comeback team this year. Many times the girls would be down by a margin of ten or more points, take a time out, and come back ready to take the game. Over half of the matches the girls played this season were taken to at least three games, and most of these games were against the toughest of opponents. The girls showed that they were not to be taken lightly.

Led by their captains, Tia Mann and Cara Motes, the girls had a very good and strong season. The team's record of 3-9 proved nothing of how successful the girls were as a team, or of the talent that was seen out on the court. This was a very gifted group of girls, each one with a Godly attitude not only when winning, but also when losing.

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MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: MEGAN HART;  
MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER: NOLA  
GREGORY; BEST DEFENSIVE: TIA MANN,  
BEST OFFENSIVE: CARA MOTES.

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Dayspring	0-2(L)	Lynchburg Christian	0-2(L)
Timberlake	0-2(L)	North Cross	1-2(L)
Roanoke Catholic	0-2(L)	Grace	1-2(L)
NorthCross	2-1(W)	Dayspring	2-1(W)
Holy Cross	1-2(L)	Roanoke Catholic	1-2(L)
Grace	1-2(L)	BRC Tournament	
Virginia Episcopal	2-0(W)	Holy Cross	0-2(L)



**ANTICIPATION.** The faces of Teresa Chocklett, Stacie Weiser, and Cara Motes are covered with anticipation as they await their chance to play the ball that their teammate Jessica Dobbs has just passed to the setter. Anticipating the ball is a good strategy to develop strong defensive play.



**THE 1997-98 JV VOLLEYBALL TEAM.** Back: Ashley Rorrer (manager), Jessica Dobbs, Tia Mann, Cara Motes, Megan Hart, Coach Mandy Stalnaker. Middle: Rebecca Assaid, Nola Gregory, Teresa Chocklett, Stacie Weiser. Front: Katie Farmer, and Holly Austin.



**HONOR THY MOTHER.** Senior Ryan Allman honors his parents for their support of him throughout his years playing basketball for the Eagles. The seniors are honored each year at the end of the season, and given a rose to present to their mothers.



**UNITY.** The Eagles were known throughout the year for their unity. Many times the men would lead the crowd in cheering for their teammates out on the court. The unity and good relationships between the players led the team through a successful season.



**THINK QUICK.** As the defense closes in around Joe Hollandsworth, he quickly dodges and looks for an opportunity to pass to a teammate. Joe took his junior year off the team, returning as a senior to play for the Eagles. All of the seniors' contributions to the team will be missed in the years to come.



## EagleScores

**MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: JOSH FOSTER; BEST DEFENSIVE PLAYER: RYAN ALLMAN; LEADING REBOUNDER: JUSTIN HURT; LEADING ASSISTS: K.C. GILBERT; MOST INSPIRATIONAL: JAMES MASTERSON.**

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>
Timberlake	52-47(W)
James River	78-67(W)
Covington	76-68(W)
Hargrave	69-65(W)
James River	57-58(L)
North Cross	76-57(W)
Covington	64-70(L)
Lynchburg Christian	72-55(W)

<u>Piedmont Classic Tournament</u>	
Grace Baptist	65-44(W)
Wesleyan Christian	41-55(L)
Tabernacle Christian	62-51(W)

Timberlake	66-51(W)
North Cross	67-60(W)

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Score</u>
Roanoke Catholic	50-47(W)
Hargrave	71-84(L)
Roanoke Catholic	65-57(W)
Carlisle	69-62(W)
Holy Cross	69-81(L)
Lynchburg Christian	71-77(L)
Carlisle	50-65(L)
Holy Cross	71-80(L)

<u>VIC Tournament</u>	
Miller	81-65(W)
Holy Cross	73-62(W)
Fishburne	62-63(L)

<u>State Tournament</u>	
Holy Cross	55-74(L)

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Starting as virtual strangers and with a new coach, the men's varsity basketball team began well, winning their first four games. Going into the Piedmont Classic the team record was 6-2. This tournament proved to be a learning experience for the Eagles. Not only did the men play against teams they were not used to, but they were also introduced to what would become one of the major adversities they would be facing throughout the year, 6'8" centers. The Eagles took two victories and one defeat in the Piedmont Classic for a third place finish.

Entering the VIC Tournament with a 13-8 record, the Eagles were in the fifth place seed. Miller School was the first round competition, which the Eagles defeated by 16 points. Next, it was Holy Cross, the Eagles' rival team, for what would become the best game of the season. In overtime, the Eagles outscored Holy Cross 13-2 for the win, and the chance to advance to the championship. For the first time in school history, the team was headed for the finals, facing Fishbourne Military School. The men played another exceptional game, but Fishbourne's buzzer beater lost the championship for the Eagles by one point.

Even with the disappointing losses at the end of the season, the Eagles progressed further in the league than ever before.

**STRAIGHT AS AN ARROW.** After shooting through the defense, junior K. C. Gilbert makes the layup, sending the Eagles ahead of their rivals from Holy Cross once again. Throughout the season K. C. led the team in assists. His hard work and dedication not only added to the success of the team, but also helped earn K. C. a place on the VIC All-Conference Team. Looking back on the heart breaking losses at the end of the season, Coach Terry Powell summed up the season best when he said, "I am very proud of the team and their accomplishments. We have nothing to be ashamed of. I am very honored to be their coach."





**FLYING HIGH.** Six foot eight inch defenders did not stop Josh Foster from making the bucket. Josh's determination and skill was a great asset to the team this season and earned him the team Most Valuable Player Award.

**WATCH AND WAIT.** Senior Brandon Bolinsky anxiously waits to make the rebound. The few seconds that it takes for the ball to either fall in the basket, or spin off of the rim, can seem like an eternity. Brandon watched and waited for the right opportunity to grab the rebound.



**GETTING PSYCHED.** Before and after each game it is not uncommon to see the Eagles huddling around a circle, with hands in a pile, giving thanks to God for the opportunity to play and honor Him. Throughout the season the men were known for their constant testimony and sportsmanlike conduct.



**THE 1997-98 VARSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM.** Back: Joe Hollandsworth, Ryan Allman, Justin Hurt, Alen Naff, Josh Foster, K. C. Gilbert, Brandon Bolinsky, and Asst. Coach Ralph Manning, Front: Daniel Bivins, Mark Colwell, James Masterson, Christopher Crawford, Brian Ferguson, and Bob Angove.



**PEEK-A-BOO.** The guard from Holy Cross anticipates the pass from her teammate, not knowing that Megan Weaver is quickly sneaking up behind her to make the steal. Megan's hard work and determination throughout the year greatly helped the Eagles on their way to their third consecutive championship.

**DOUBLE TROUBLE.** The Eagles' defensive force of Amy Rumbley and Erin Smith double team the opposition from Stuart Hall in an attempt to block the pass. The ladies' defensive tactics were virtually unstoppable throughout the season.



### THIRD TIME'S THE CHARM.

Erin Smith, Eva Jones, Megan Weaver, Becky Taylor and Lauren McKee show pride in the success that they have worked so hard to achieve. The team's success would be nonexistent if it were not for their teamwork. Whether starting or substituting, the girls always worked for the good of the team.



**THE 1997-98 VARSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM.** Back: Coach Bobby Dixon, LeEtta Turpin (manager), Eva Jones, Lauren McKee, Erin Smith, Megan Weaver, Becky Taylor, and Shannon Short (statistician). Front: Gina Guthrie, Amy Rumbley, Nia Douglas, Rebecca Bryant, and Tiffany Dobbs.





#### BREAK TIME.

In the midst of the Piedmont Classic, Rebecca Bryant, Nia Douglas, Becky Taylor, and Megan Weaver take time to relax. The ladies stayed in North Carolina and spent their free time relieving stress with play fights and pile-ups.



**GO FOR THE GOAL.** Nia Douglas goes for the jump shot from the foul line, despite the defender in her face. Nia, a senior in her fourth year with the Eagles, averaged 8.1 rebounds per game. Her hard work earned her All Tournament honors in the TipOff Tournament, Piedmont Classic, and Blue Ridge Conference.

## EagleScores

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Timberlake	54-18(W)	Carlisle	75-22(W)
Carlisle	63-23(W)	Roanoke Catholic	60-24(W)
North Cross	54-41(W)	Franklin County	57-64(L)
Roanoke Catholic	37-20(W)	William Flemming	36-47(L)
Franklin County	53-54(L)	Holy Cross	51-25(W)
William Flemming	35-55(L)	North Cross	72-28(W)
Amhurst	52-42(W)	Lynchburg Christian	44-35(W)
E.C. Glass	45-37(W)	Holy Cross	44-34(W)
Lynchburg Christian	64-32(W)	BRC Tournament	
Tabernacle	55-47(W)	Virginia Episcopal	65-15(W)
Wesleyan	53-27(W)	Grace	49-41(W)
Gospel Light	34-26(W)	Holy Cross	60-42(W)
Timberlake	67-18(W)	State Tournament	
North Cross	65-35(W)	Fredricksburg	45-23(W)
Roanoke Catholic	55-14(W)	Covenant	35-48(L)
Patrick Henry	64-49(W)	Holy Cross	38-27(W)
Virginia Episcopal	68-20(W)	Bishop O'Connell	54-59(L)

ALL TOURNAMENT (TIP-OFF): REBECCA BRYANT, NIA DOUGLAS, AMY RUMBLEY; ALL TOURNAMENT (PIEDMONT CLASSIC): NIA DOUGLAS, GINA GUTHRIE; BRC ALL CONFERENCE AND ALL TOURNAMENT: GINA GUTHRIE, REBECCA BRYANT, NIA DOUGLAS; ALL STATE TEAM: GINA GUTHRIE; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: GINA GUTHRIE; REBECCA BRYANT; MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: TIFFANY DOBBS; MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER: NIA DOUGLAS



**ON THE CASE.** Forward and team Co-MVP Gina Guthrie presses against the offense from Holy Cross in order to force the pass. Gina, a junior, led the team throughout the year in assists, steals, and free throws.

#### CATCHING SOME AIR.

One on one, two people on opposing teams stand facing each other in hopes that they will be able to leap higher for control of the ball. This is one of the most intense moments in a game. Leaping high into the air, Rebecca Bryant soars over the opposition showing that the Eagles control the court. Rebecca, the center for the Eagles this season, dominated over the other teams in tipoffs throughout the season. Tipoffs are important in determining a mindset for the remainder of the game. In the tipoff, the team can determine the nature of the opposing team's offense and thereby build their strategy for success.

## CHAMPIONS TIMES THREE

The 1997-98 Varsity Women's Basketball Team started off the season expecting to bring home another banner. Each of the girls returned this year for yet another exciting season of basketball. The Eagles' season began with a 73-20 victory over Roanoke Catholic to win the Tip Off Tournament for the fourth year in a row. Next the girls traveled to North Carolina to compete in the Piedmont Classic Tournament. In a tight championship match, the ladies took the trophy, defeating the team that had taken it from them the previous year. Then, the girls' record of 10-0 in the Blue Ridge Conference gave them the championship title in the Southern Division BRC. This was only the second time in the history of the school that the Eagles had brought home the title. Finally, for the third consecutive year, the girls took the BRC championship against Holy Cross. The Eagles then took a strong sixth place finish in the state tournament.

Though the ladies had a considerably easy season in the BRC, they were also challenged throughout the season. The Eagles had several opportunities to play against some of the area AAA teams such as William Fleming and Franklin County. These games were helpful by challenging and preparing the ladies for the trials ahead.

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**THE 1997-98 VARSITY CHEERLEADING SQUAD.** Back: Jennifer Pagans, Amanda Poch, Brynn Austin, and Karen Chilton. Middle: Andrea Spangler, Coach Roxanne Lawson, and Amanda Halsey. Front: Michelle Hightower (captain).



#### RED AND WHITE.

The cheerleaders attempt to get the crowd's attention through the use of props. The squad used a variety of signs this year to aid in crowd participation. "Crowd Yell" and "Hey, All You Eagle Fans" were the most popular cheers. These girls were willing to do whatever it took to get the crowd involved.



**NAIL IT.** The varsity cheerleaders nail the last motion of their halftime routine. They always strive to make sure they get everything right.

**HERE SHE COMES.** Varsity captain Michelle Hightower walks to the soccer field to get ready for the game. She does her best to make sure that the squad stays on task.





**UP ON TOP.** Varsity cheerleaders Michelle Hightower, Karen Chilton, and Brynn Austin put together a shoulder stand. Getting these stunts together is not easy at all. Brynn and Michelle are known in cheerleading as "stunt partners." Some of these stunts can be pretty dangerous, which is why for safety purposes each one must have a "spotter" at all times. Karen Chilton watches from behind making sure that the stunt stands firm. Performing stunts is one of the cheerleaders favorite parts, but is also the easiest place for mistakes to occur.

# PUMP IT UP

The Varsity Cheerleading Squad had a very successful year. Immediately following spring tryouts, practices began and then continued through the summer. One week of attendance at cheerleading camp brought intensive practices starting from early in the morning and continuing until late in the evening. The team began with nine members but ended with only five due to illness, injuries, and various other problems.

Shortly after school begins the ladies launch into soccer season, followed quickly by basketball. This year the cheerleaders had a very tiring schedule of cheering for all the varsity fall and winter sports. The cheerleaders also attended the Piedmont Classic, a tournament for both varsity basketball teams. They spent a lot of quality time together despite the practical jokes they played on one another.

Each of the cheerleaders have very different personalities. Despite all these differences the girls came together as a team. Cheerleading is about true hard work, dedication, and a serving heart. Regardless of what some might think, cheerleading isn't just a show. These girls have put forth a lot of effort and hard work to represent their school in these positions.

BY MICHELLE HIGHTOWER

"PUMP IT UP, GO AHEAD, GO AHEAD!" RESOUNDS FROM THE GYM AS THE CROWD YELLS WITH THE CHEER-LEADERS



**CLIMBING HIGH.** KAREN CHILTON, JENNIFER PAGANS, AND ANDREA SPANGLER PUT AMANDA HALSEY UP INTO A HALF-EXTENSION. STUNTS, WHEN DONE PROPERLY, ARE ONE OF THE CHEERLEADERS FAVORITE ASPECTS OF CHEERLEADING. IT IS ALWAYS IMPORTANT TO USE SPOTTERS TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS FROM HAPPENING.



**CHEERING HARD!** Amanda Halsey and Brynn Austin cheer hard during a timeout. The cheerleaders do their best to get the crowd involved during timeouts, rotating with visiting squads for floor cheers.



**WATCHING IN WONDER.** Karen Chilton watches intently to see who gets the ball. Cheerleaders pay close attention to see who gains control of the ball and usually get caught up in the emotion of the game. It was not uncommon to see Karen crying at the end of a close loss such as the one at the conclusion of the VIC championship game where the Eagles lost by one point.



**WHAT A SQUAD.** The Varsity Cheerleading Squad does their best once again during a soccer game. Soccer games are only called off for thunderstorms, so the girls experienced a wide variety of weather conditions during the fall season.



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The 1997-98 JV Men's Basketball Team had a completely new look as they began the season facing VIC rival Timberlake Christian. There were no players returning from the undefeated state champs of last year's team. Six players were coming up from the 15-3 middle school team of last year, along with five tenth graders who varied in experience. The men quickly learned to adjust to the demands of junior varsity basketball, and won five of the first six games. However, as the season progressed, the team's lack of experience would give way to the age and experience of the opposition.

The Eagles finished their regular season with a record of 10-8, and 8-6 in the VIC Conference. The men would then go on to face North Cross in the opening round of the VIC Tournament. A loss to the Raiders quickly ended their season.

Though the season was not as successful as the men had hoped, it was a chance for them to get more experience playing against tougher and stronger opponents. The Eagles felt they had learned a lot, and would be ready for next season.

**READY... AIM... FIRE!** In an effort to help the team increase their lead, Matthew Gardner carefully aims to shoot the free throw. Matthew was voted the Most Entertaining Player by his teammates and fans this year.



**QUICK STOPS.** Lance Larson knows the value of quick feet and quick stops in a game. Being able to stop quickly and change directions in a split second can mean the difference between losing possession of the ball and taking it in for the basket.

## EagleScores

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Timberlake	51-35(W)	Roanoke Catholic	40-50(L)
James River	50-40(W)	Hargrave	61-37(W)
Covington	51-75(L)	Roanoke Catholic	39-63(L)
Hargrave	47-36(W)	Carlisle	52-31(W)
James River	66-58(W)	Holy Cross	43-45(L)
North Cross	42-57(L)	Lynchburg Christian	50-69(L)
Covington	50-52(L)	Holy Cross	44-48(L)
Lynchburg Christian	54-42(W)	Carlisle	57-54(W)
Timberlake	49-38(W)	VIC Tournament	
North Cross	55-41(W)	North Cross	34-49(L)

COACH'S AWARD (FOR OUTSTANDING PLAY): CHRIS FERGUSON, LANCE LARSON, JEREMY NAFF; MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: MATT GARDNER; COACH: MIKE LARSON.



**THE 1997-98 JUNIOR VARSITY MEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM.** Back: Seth Parker, Josh Tilley, Jeff Clifton, Matthew Gardner, Braden Sikkema, Aaron Shelton, and Lance Larson. Front: Coach Mike Larson, Jeremy Naff, Jamie Bowles, Eric Thomsen, Darren Naff, and Kasey Richardson (manager).



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The 1997-98 Junior Varsity Women's Basketball Team were a group that showed great improvement and teamwork throughout the year. Beginning with the very first game against Timberlake, hard work and determination could be seen on the faces of the ladies. The Eagles never gave up without a good fight, and the result was an incredible season.

The JV women were known during the year as the team with the clear testimony. Throughout the entire season the girls demonstrated sportsmanship. No matter what the score, or how bad the calls, the girls always had smiles on their faces, and the result was evident in all that they did as a team.

The Lady Eagles ended the year with a 14-9 overall record, including games against teams such as William Fleming, Patrick Henry and Franklin County. The team's record in the Blue Ridge Conference was 7-1, which earned them the Southern Division title, and sent them to the championship game in the BRC tournament. Facing Holy Cross, the school rivals, the Eagles took a well-earned second place finish in the BRC Tournament.

**BREAKING THROUGH.** In an effort to increase a lead the Eagles had over opposition from Holy Cross, Tia Mann struggles through the defense to make the bucket. Tia's nine points per game average, along with her constant good attitude earned her both the Most Improved Player and the Most Inspirational Player Awards.



## EagleScores

ALL TOURNAMENT: DINISHA BROWN,  
COURTNEY WALDRON; MOST IMPROVED  
PLAYER: TIA MANN, CARA MOTES,  
SAVANNA ROACH; MOST INSPIRATIONAL  
PLAYER: TIA MANN.

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Timberlake	25-20(W)	Virginia Episcopal	45-6(W)
Carlisle	37-30(W)	Carlisle	29-16(W)
Franklin County	24-42(L)	Roanoke Catholic	43-36(W)
Rainelle	26-31(L)	Franklin County	24-44(L)
Faith Christian	36-13(L)	William Fleming	19-56(L)
William Fleming	12-57(L)	Holy Cross	29-39(L)
Lynchburg Christian	19-17(W)	North Cross	26-17(L)
Timberlake	37-20(W)	Holy Cross	29-53(L)
North Cross	35-20(W)	BRC Tournament	
Roanoke Catholic	38-13(W)	Timberlake	48-14(W)
Rainelle	31-35(L)	Carlisle	45-34(W)
Patrick Henry	34-32(W)	North Cross	26-44(L)



**CLEARING THE WAY.** As Cara Motes begins to make her move, teammates Courtney Waldron, Whitney Osborne, and Tia Mann clear the way for her to score. The Lady Eagles showed great teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the season.



**THE 1997-98 JUNIOR VARSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TEAM.** Back: Coach Bobby Dixon, Cara Motes, Whitney Osborne, Courtney Waldron, Dinisha Brown, Tia Mann, Sarah Couch, and Asst. Coach Dana Somers. Front: Caryn Collins (manager), Savannah Roach, Ashley Gardner, Jessica Bowles, Jessica Dobbs, Deidre Brown, Kristen Ferrell, and Megan Motley (manager).



# FULL OF SPIRIT

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The 1997-98 Junior Varsity Cheerleading Squad was a relatively young but strong team. Although they began the season with eight cheerleaders and ended with seven, these ladies worked hard for almost an entire year. The cheerleading season began in spring with practices and tryouts and ended at the beginning of March with the conclusion of the basketball season.

They participated, along with the varsity cheerleaders, in a cheerleading camp during the summer. The Christian camp was scheduled to be held in Lynchburg, but was moved to Roanoke because of limited registration. The ladies spent each day of the week working hard to learn new cheers, chants, and stunts in order to be a better squad.

The cheerleaders put forth a lot of effort and determination during the year, cheering extensively at home and traveling to some away games. They cheered for many different sports but focused mainly on junior varsity soccer and both men's and women's junior varsity basketball. Despite the hard and difficult times, they had many laughs and enjoyed cheering together.

**GO EAGLES!** Junior varsity cheerleader Kristin Denison cheers her heart out for the junior varsity soccer team. The cheerleaders make sure that they apply themselves and do their absolute best.



**PRACTICE HARD.** The cheerleaders busily practice their routine for half-time during one of their many soccer games. The ladies work hard to perfect their cheers, making sure that every last detail is perfect.



**SPIRIT OF A DIFFERENT KIND.** THE CHEERLEADERS PRAY WITH EACH OTHER BEFORE THE GAME. THEY MADE IT ROUTINE TO PRAY BEFORE THE START OF EVERY GAME. PRAYING BEFOREHAND GIVES THEM A BETTER PEACE ABOUT THE GAME AHEAD OF THEM.



**THE 1997-1998 JV CHEERLEADING SQUAD.** Back: Coach Crissy Brake, Rebekah Halsey, Marty Mabrey. Middle: Kristin Denison, Hannah Foster, Faith Bennett. Front: Chastity Hartberger, Molly Bailey, Jenna Bergum.



# WORKING TOGETHER

**WILL HE MAKE IT?** Philip Allman shoots a foul shot during a home game. Having your team rely on you to make the shot can be quite a heavy burden. Despite the pressure that can sometimes be involved, these men still make sure that they have a lot of fun.



The seventh and eighth grade basketball team had a very enjoyable year, learning much about team work. The group was rather large and consisted of sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. Led by Coach King, the objective of this team is to prepare as many men as possible for future play as an Eagle. Each person was given opportunities to participate in team play as the season progressed. A lengthy season provided many occasions for the men to practice the skills they learned.

Towards the middle of the year the men pulled together and started working more as a team. By combining their strengths they were able to be more successful. The team was filled with talent. One of the eighth graders, Josh Fullmer, was even able to come within inches of dunking the ball during one of their many games. Some of the players consider this to be one of the biggest highlights of the season.

The men were able to form many good friendships. Playing middle school basketball gives these men a way to learn more basketball skills and prepare for the future.

BY MICHELLE HIGHTOWER

THE MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL PLAYERS WORKED TOGETHER TO LEARN TEAMWORK

## EagleScores

CAPTAINS: JOSH FULLMER, ZAC HELLKAMP; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: DAVID WHITLOW; FAITH CHRISTIAN TOURNAMENT MVP BY TEAM SELECTION: LUKE HELLKAMP; COACH: TRACY KING.

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Timberlake	24-29(L)	Holy Cross	35-40(L)
Hargrave	29-35(L)	Carlisle	32-20(W)
Faith Christian	29-33(L)	Amherst	31-40(L)
Lynchburg Christian	24-38(L)	Blue Ridge	55-24(W)
Timberlake	25-48(L)	Faith Christian	36-45(L)
North Cross	31-30(W)	Dayspring	29-50(L)
Roanoke Catholic	20-39(L)	Holy Cross	37-39(L)
Hargrave	54-46(W)		



**COACH'S ADVICE.** Coach King talks to some of his players during halftime. These players know that they can always trust in their coach's advice. Doing their best and following Coach King's leadership is what helps these players succeed.



**THE 1997-98 MIDDLE SCHOOL BASKETBALL TEAM.** Back: Coach Tracy King, Michael Hightower, Josh Fullmer, Jesse Novak, Jonathan Assaid, Jeremy Stewart, Curtis Allman. Front: Luke Hellkamp, David Voss, Zac Hellkamp, Chad Hasson, Brett Jones, Philip Allman, Daniel Newell.



**LOBBING AROUND.** Josh Tilley lobs the ball to score on his opponent. In his first year on the team. Josh was in the fourth seed, improving throughout the season to win the Most Improved Player Award.



**RACKING IT UP.** Lacey Wiseman, a solid young player, makes a nice double-handed backhand. According to Coach Presson, Lacey has a nice lob for a young player and performed well in the match against LCA.



**FOOLISH GAMES.** Practicing takes a back seat as Garrett Suhr and Hampton Pasley attempt to cut off Timmy Spencer's head with a racket. Even though these men like to play around, all is serious when it comes to game time.



## EagleScores

ALL CONFERENCE: HAMPTON PASLEY, GARRETT SUHR; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: HAMPTON PASLEY; MOST CONSISTANT PLAYER: TIMOTHY SPENCER; MOST INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER: JOSH TILLEY.

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Hargrave	5-4(W)	North Cross	0-9(L)
Lynchburg Christian	7-2(W)	Lynchburg Christian	4-5(L)
Fishburne	5-4(W)	Hargrave	4-5(L)
Carlisle	3-6(L)	Carlisle	2-7(L)

VIC Singles Championships--Hampton Pasley (Champion)

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"The tennis team had a good year. They worked really hard," says Coach Russ Presson. This is the first year Mr. Presson coached the team. This school had a difficult time trying to find a coach this year, but Mr. Presson agreed to share the responsibilities with Mrs. Pasley so the team could compete.

The team was made up of four guys and five girls. Garrett Suhr and Hampton Pasley were the team captains. The first match proved to be challenging, with the Eagles winning in a tie-breaker after dark. After winning the first few games handily, the next games proved to be more difficult as the team came up against tougher opponents, finishing the season with a 3-5 record.

Although the team did not place high enough to compete in the VIC, Hampton did play and win in the VIC singles tournament for the second year in a row. With no state competition for our level, Hampton was unable to compete further, even though a local sports writer felt he should be considered for Player of the Year on the all-district level. Garrett also had an exceptional season, playing some strong opponents.

With the exceptions of Hampton and Garrett the team was inexperienced. The team will be losing three key players, making next year a building one.

**S L E E K MOVER.** Taking lessons for many years from both his parents and tennis pros, Hampton Pasley plays tennis like a well-oiled machine. Everything happens consistently, on time and in the right manner. He possesses all of the skills necessary for a successful match, including serve and volley as well as baseline and lob, and his greatest skill is in having the mental acuity of knowing what to do at any time of the game. His wide range of technical skills has earned him a high level of respect among knowledgeable players within the valley. Hampton will be playing on the Washington and Lee team when he enters college.





**AIRBORNE.** Amanda Poch, called "The Wall" by her teammates, leaps up for a great overhead return. Overhands are used in a match to demoralize the opponent at the net. Amanda relished this shot.

**JUST A HUNCH.** Victoria Presson waits in starting position for the serve. In this position, the player is prepared for any direction the shot may take, establishing a strong baseline game (had she not been attempting to return Tim Spencer's hard serve). As a first year player, Victoria grew a lot, as did all of the first year players.



**AT THE NET.** Megan Janney smashes a back-hand volley at Havilah Liederbach during practice. Fast and hard shots at the net are prevalent in doubles play. Both of these girls proved to be excellent at this particular kind of shot, taking on their opponents with energy and hard play.



**THE 1998 VARSITY TENNIS TEAM.** Back: Coach Russ Presson, Tim Spencer, Josh Tilley, Garrett Suhr, and Hampton Pasley. Front: Amanda Poch, Victoria Presson, Lacey Wiseman, Havilah Liederbach, and Megan Janney.



**EYE ON THE BALL.** K. C. Gilbert lines up his ball on the green. Concentrating on every stroke and analyzing your next move is extremely important in the game of golf.

**LINING IT UP.** Trying to decide which way to go about hitting the ball, John Kraemer looks intently at the green. It is very crucial to keep your focus and to keep working hard for the entire eighteen holes.



**WHERE DID IT GO?** Chris Crawford keeps his eye on the ball and watches it fly through the air so he can see where it will land, just hoping it will stay on the green and out of the rough. Each golfer must pay close attention to where their ball goes in order to position themselves and prepare for their next stroke.



**THE 1998 VARSITY GOLF TEAM.** Justin Hurt, Eric Thomsen, Ryan Allman, Chris Crawford, John Kraemer, K. C. Gilbert, and Coach Don Assaid.





**LEARNING FROM THE BEST.** Coach Assaid practices with the team before a game. Mr. Assaid has a natural love for golf and may frequently be seen on the course. He is always willing to help his team and to show them how to be better players.



**BENT ON HIS TASK.** Justin Hurt practices his putting before a game. You could find many of the players practicing their putting before the start of games. The team enjoyed working hard to do their best.

## EagleScores

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Roanoke Catholic	187-234(W)	Westlake Christian	188-191(W)
Lynchburg Christian	189-204(W)	North Cross	199-169(L)
Holy Cross	198-203(W)	Hargrave	178-190(W)
Miller	171-220(W)	Roanoke Catholic	169-230(W)
Carlisle	199-163(L)	North Cross	178-156(L)
Roanoke Catholic	199-254(W)	Fishburne	176-203(W)
Fishburne	182-202(W)	Roanoke Catholic	176-211(W)
Hargrave	188-189(W)	VIC Tournament	5th out of 11

ALL CONFERENCE: RYAN ALLMAN; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: RYAN ALLMAN; MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: JUSTIN HURT; COACH: DON ASSAID; ASSISTANT COACH: BOB CRAWFORD.



**READING THE BREAK.** Senior Ryan Allman looks at his ball on the green to figure out how he should hit it. Finding the best angles from which to hit the ball is a necessary job in the game of golf.

**WONDERING AROUND.** Eric Thomsen walks along the green to find where his ball landed. Just as professional golfers scoff at the use of golf carts, the Eagles shun the carts which take much of the exercise out of the sport. In addition to walking the green, the players carry their own clubs. The Eagles played their home matches at Roanoke Country Club, a green located within the City of Roanoke. Allowing the team to play at no charge is part of the club's program to develop junior golfers in the Roanoke Valley. Routinely playing nine holes of golf gives the players plenty of exercise and time to reflect on their shots.

## ON COURSE

The 1998 Varsity Men's Golf Team played a season of great challenge with many ups and downs. They began the year with their top player ineligible for the first match and two of the top four players ineligible for the next three matches. Despite these losses the Eagles were able to pull off victories in all three of the matches.

One of the greatest highlights for the team was beating Holy Cross in their third match without their top two players. With only one player left to come in they needed a good score to pull off a win. Jug Hurt came in with an excellent score, bringing the team to a victory by five strokes. Another highlight was their win by one stroke at Hargrave.

The team finished fifth out of eleven teams in the VIC Tournament. Ryan Allman shot 79 and made the All Conference Team. The Eagles' overall conference record was 11-3 for the season. Losing only one player to graduation, the golf team should remain stable and be a strong combative force in the upcoming year.

BY MICHELLE HIGHTOWER

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**THE 1998 VARSITY BASEBALL TEAM.** Back: Ben Clark, Matt Olichweir, Derek McKinney, Benji Pugh, Tim Dooley, Justin Zimmerman, and Coach Wayne Brooks. Front: Chris Zimmerman, Josh Fullmer, Jon Fullmer, Ben Allis, and B. J. Terry



#### HIT THE DIRT.

Sliding into base at the last moment, Jon Fullmer avoids the reach of the catcher and racks up another run for the team. These players were quick and ready, always looking for the chance to steal another base. The year proved to be a difficult one for the players as they suffered severe losses throughout the season.



**OUTTA THERE.** Concentration and a quick hand are two important assets for a catcher. Derek McKinney uses these skills to intimidate hitters and to encourage his team's pitcher.

**HOME BASE.** With a swing and a hit the game begins. Anticipation and determination were in the air as each game began and players who loved their sport gave their all in each game.





## REACH HIGH.

The team is encouraged to reach high for the goal set before them. With a flying leap, Ben Clark catches the ball, sending the hitter back to the batting cage. Thanks to a strong outfield, the team learned to support one another and work together as a group. Each part of the team is equally important, and each position was worked for by the players. Even though the team suffered many disappointing losses, the Eagles still managed to have great fun together. One senior says this baseball season was the most memorable experience he had while he was in high school.

# JOY IN THE MAKING

Dedication, focus, and teamwork added to close comradarie made up the 1998 Varsity Baseball Team's season. Though many games were rained out and victory was not as commonplace as the team would have liked, games and practices were completed in such a way as to enjoy one another's company and learn to glorify God in all they did.

Led by Pastor Wayne Brooks, the team was taught to play with focus on the game and on ways to bring glory to God through all situations. Coach Brooks said "This year's team showed a lot of heart and enthusiasm in spite of losing and often losing by very lopsided scores. However, the team lived up to my challenges and I am proud of them."

A highlight of the year came in the last game against Timberlake Christian. Having lost every game prior to this one, the team went into the last game with two goals; to win one game and to complete one game. The second goal was reached at this game and the team celebrated by dumping the remaining bucket of ice over Coach Brooks. The 1998 Varsity Baseball Team is assured of good memories from the season and many newly acquired skills.

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MARY  
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## EagleScores

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Lynchburg Christian	3-13(L)	North Cross	0-13(L)
Holy Cross	0-21(L)	Eastern Mennonite	0-12(L)
North Cross	2-12(L)	Hargrave	1-36(L)
Covenant	0-28(L)	Timberlake	1-9(L)

MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS: DEREK MCKINNEY, JON FULLMER; MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: JUSTIN ZIMMERMAN; COACH'S AWARD: BEN ALLIS; COACH: WAYNE BROOKS.



**HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU.** Focused and ready to go, first baseman Ben Clark makes himself aware of his surroundings. Each member of the team learned to stay focused and take care of his responsibilities.



**ALL YOUR STRENGTH.** With great aim and strength, Tim Dooley sends the ball after a runner in hopes of getting him out. The outfield was strong this season and kept the team together with its hard work.



**SPEEDY DELIVERY.** Matt Olichweir stretches to new lengths and speed as he rushes to send the ball after the runner in front of him. With each catch, hit, and pitch new skills and strengths were added to every member of the team.



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The 1997-98 Varsity Softball Team surprised everyone this year. After ending last season eliminated in the first round of the BRC Tournament, the Eagles knew they had a lot of work. It did not take long for the girls to get used to one another's strengths and weaknesses, as they soon began to work as a team.

Most of the ladies returned this year, and with a few new additions, the Eagles went 9-4 for the season. They were undefeated in the conference and were the first place seed going into the tournament. Hopes were high and excitement mounted as the girls defeated the Tornados from Timberlake Christian in the elimination round. Next, they would fight Holy Cross for a spot in the championship. The Eagles were ready and determined to take the game, but the Gales had other plans. The Eagles were defeated 16-3 by Holy Cross, ending in fourth place for the season. The team then went to state where they were defeated 12-0 in the elimination round.

Throughout the year, the Eagles worked as a team and surprised everyone with their undefeated regular season record. Much improvement was seen on the team, and the girls are looking forward to a successful season again next year.

**FOLLOW THROUGH.** Angela Brooks follows the ball with her eyes as it sails high up into the air for a infield pop fly. Angela, a senior, played catcher for the Eagles this year. This was her second year on the team, and her hard work as well as determination greatly helped the team on the road to their undefeated conference standing. Angela was an encouragement to the team throughout the year and always had something uplifting to say to her teammates.

**WARMING UP.** Erica Noble prepares for an intense game against North Cross by tossing the softball back and forth with one of her teammates. This warm-up prepares the outfielders for the long throws back to home plate.



**HARD HITS.** Junior Tiffany Dobbs nails the ball just past the reach of the second baseman and into the outfield for a base hit. Tiffany's strong hits and aggressive defense were a great asset to the team throughout the season.



## EagleScores

ALL TOURNAMENT: TIFFANY DOBBS, ERICA NOBLE;  
ALL CONFERENCE: WHITNEY PENN, TIFFANY DOBBS,  
ERICA NOBLE, ERIN ASSAD, SARAH COUCH, TIA  
MANN; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: TIFFANY DOBBS;  
MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: ERICA NOBLE; MOST  
INSPIRATIONAL PLAYER: WHITNEY PENN.

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Roanoke Catholic	14-13(W)	Timberlake	13-1(W)
Holy Cross	11-2(W)	VIC Tournament	
North Cross	9-8(W)	Timberlake	10-0(W)
Lynchburg Christian	10-0(W)	Holy Cross	3-16(L)
North Cross	15-5(W)	Roanoke Catholic	0-9(L)
Virginia Episcopal	16-2(W)	State Tournament	
Roanoke Catholic	4-1(W)	Fuqua	0-12(L)

**FUNNY FACES.** Just look at the concentration on the face of Sophomore Eva Jones as she prepares to send the ball deep into the outfield. Concentration and follow through are two key elements to having a good batting average.







**THE 1998 VARSITY SOFTBALL TEAM.** Back: Coach Dana Somers, Tia Mann, Angela Brooks, Erica Noble, Amy Rumbley, Whitney Penn, and Coach Bobby Dixon. Front: Eva Jones, Jennie Ayers, Melody Terry, Sarah Couch, Erin Assaid, Emily Halsey, and Tiffany Dobbs.



**MAKING CONTACT.** To the dismay of the opposition from Timberlake Christian, Erin Assaid, a junior for the Lady Eagles, hits a line drive down the first baseline, bringing in a run. Erin's defense proved to be as helpful as her offensive skills this year and greatly helped the team earn its perfect conference record.



**THE WINDUP.** Pitcher Tia Mann winds up for the first strike of the game. Tia, an eighth grader in her first year playing for the Eagles, worked hard and earned herself the starting pitcher position.

**NO DICE.** Outfielder Emily Halsey catches the fly ball, shattering the opponent's hopes of scoring a home run. Emily returned to the team this season, after a year off, bringing a cheerful attitude and determined spirit to the team.



## PURE STRENGTH.

Without a second's hesitation, Jana Smoot takes the throw-in for the Eagles. Jana knows that a well placed throw, taken before the opposition has a chance to react, can mean the difference in who controls the game.



## WATCH AND WAIT.

Senior Molly Perkinson remembers the instructions of Coach Grooten and watches closely, waiting for the chance to steal the ball from the opposition. The concentration on Molly's face reflects the commitment and determination she had for the success of the team this season.



## NEWCOMERS.

In her first season of play, Whitney Osborne, a freshman, shows how being a newcomer does not have to mean sitting on the bench. As she skillfully sends the ball around the defender to a teammate, Suzie Weiser looks on in amazement.



# EagleScores

ALL TOURNAMENT: MEGAN WEAVER, LAUREN MCKEE; ANITA SCHMITT; ALL CONFERENCE: LAUREN MCKEE, ERIN DUFF, ANITA SCHMITT; MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: LAUREN MCKEE; BEST OFFENSE: ERIN DUFF; BEST DEFENSE: MEGAN WEAVER; MOST IMPROVED PLAYER: MOLLY PERKINSON; COACH'S AWARD: REBECCA LONG.

Opponent	Score	Opponent	Score
Timberlake	2-0(W)	Grace	6-1(W)
Stuart Hall	3-0(W)	Roanoke Catholic	1-2(L)
Lynchburg Christian	5-0(W)	Lynchburg Christian	2-0(W)
North Cross	3-1(W)	Stuart Hall	2-0(W)
Grace	2-0(W)	Timberlake	5-0(W)
Carlisle	4-2(W)	BRC Tournament	
North Cross	1-1(T)	Grace	2-0(W)
Roanoke Catholic	1-0(W)	North Cross	1-4(L)

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The 1997-98 women's soccer season was a rewarding one, especially for the veterans of the team. When the first team began in 1995, there were approximately twenty girls, most having never played soccer. It was a season of learning for the team and the coach, ending that season without a single victory.

Now, three years later, the Eagles have refined their skills, and with a few newcomers, ended the regular season with a 12-1-1 record. This put them in first place going into the BRC Tournament. The ladies defeated the two top-ranking teams in the conference. Never having defeated either of these two teams gave the Eagles a newfound confidence in their play. In the semi-final round of the tournament, the Eagles defeated Grace Christian 2-0 and advanced into the championship round for the first time in RVCS history. In the championship game, the ladies faced North Cross once again. This time the Raiders put up a stronger fight, and defeated the Eagles 4-1.

Throughout the years, the Eagles have shown tremendous improvement and determination. The ladies' hard work paid off this year in a first place ranking throughout the season, and a second place standing overall. The Eagles plan to keep up the hard work and bring home a banner next year.

## HYPER-EXTENSIONS.

Goalie Lauren McKee takes her five steps and punts the ball to the midfield. Far-reaching punts by the goalie are a great advantage to the team. Lauren's punts, as well as her aggressive goal-keeping, helped lead the team through a successful season. In addition to soccer, Lauren, a multi-talented junior, has played in a variety of varsity sports throughout her high school career, including cross country, basketball, and volleyball. Her competitive spirit, a great asset to the sports program, carries into other areas also as she pursues academic excellence beyond the field.





**WORK IT OUT!** Anita Schmitt skillfully works her way around the defense in order to find a space to clear the ball for a waiting teammate. Anita, a sophomore in her second year of play, provided a strong defense for the Eagles this season.

**ON THE MOVE.** Sprinting around the opposition, Senior Debbie Turkington looks for the right moment to take the ball back for the Eagles. This was Debbie's second year of play, and her hard work earned her a starting position on the team.

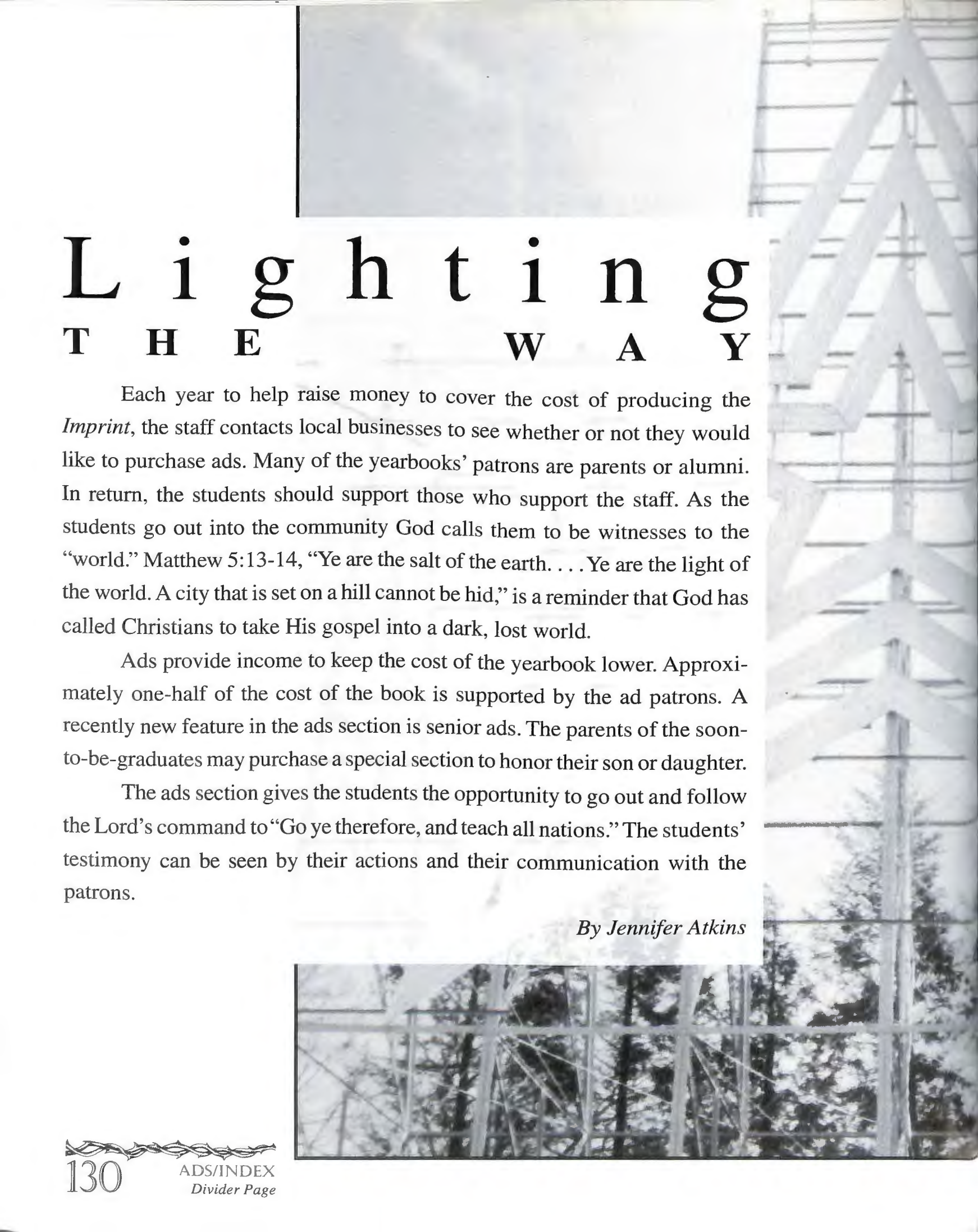


**CHECK THE MOVES.** Senior Rebecca Long uses her ball-handling skills to maneuver around the defense man for the opposing team, waiting for an opening to give her a chance to pass the ball. Rebecca has played four years for the Eagles, and her abilities at ball handling have many times proven to be advantageous for the team.



**THE 1998 VARSITY WOMEN'S SOCCER TEAM.** Back: Coach Joe Grooten, Whitney Osborne, Suzie Weiser, Debbie Turkington, Lauren McKee, Sarah Motley, Anita Schmitt, Gabriel Rexrode, Rebecca Long, and Alisha Clarke (sports therapist). Front: Becky Hart, Naomi Simmons, Molly Perkinson, Jana Smoot, Megan Weaver, Erin Duff, and Dana Roberts.





# L i g h t i n g

## T H E W A Y

Each year to help raise money to cover the cost of producing the *Imprint*, the staff contacts local businesses to see whether or not they would like to purchase ads. Many of the yearbooks' patrons are parents or alumni. In return, the students should support those who support the staff. As the students go out into the community God calls them to be witnesses to the "world." Matthew 5:13-14, "Ye are the salt of the earth. . . . Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hid," is a reminder that God has called Christians to take His gospel into a dark, lost world.

Ads provide income to keep the cost of the yearbook lower. Approximately one-half of the cost of the book is supported by the ad patrons. A recently new feature in the ads section is senior ads. The parents of the soon-to-be-graduates may purchase a special section to honor their son or daughter.

The ads section gives the students the opportunity to go out and follow the Lord's command to "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations." The students' testimony can be seen by their actions and their communication with the patrons.

*By Jennifer Atkins*





**THANKS FOR THE SUPPORT.** Mr. Hightower listens as his daughter, Michelle, gives the sales pitch. The Hightower family can always be counted on to lend their support to the school.

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**WHAT SIZE AD?** Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Haines wait patiently as staff member Alisha Clarke fills out the contract for Carlton Wright's ad. Mrs. Wright handles the bills at her husband's insurance company while Mrs. Haines works as secretary.



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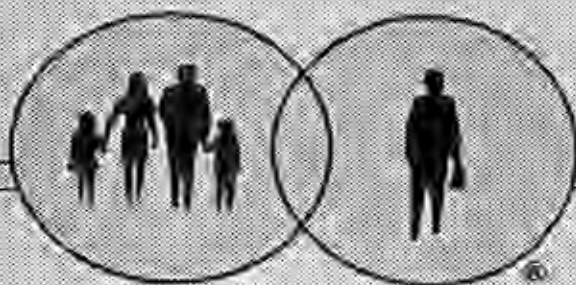
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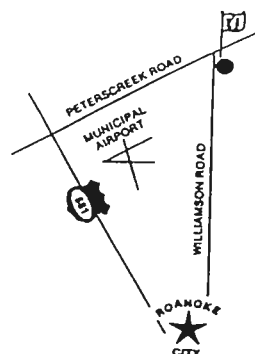
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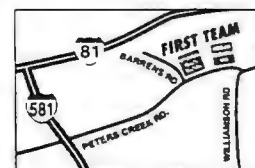
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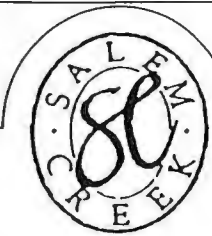


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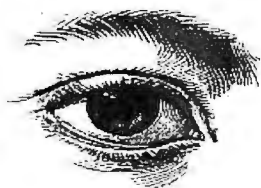
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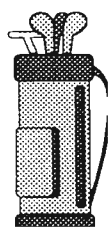
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# World News in Review

In world news, events of the year were characterized by celebrity deaths, scandals, political conflict, and El Niño.

On August 31, 1997, the world was stunned with the news of the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. The Princess and acquaintance Dodi Al Fayed, son of the owner of Harod's in London, were killed in a car crash in the tunnels of Paris. As the car

was chased by members of the infamous paparazzi. Less than one week later, another great humanitarian, Mother Teresa died at the age of 94.

In Iraq, the United Nations investigated Sadaam Hussein for breeching the treaty made after the Gulf War. Hussein was thought to be building nuclear warheads. At first the dictatorial leader denied the

U. N. the access needed to investigate; however, after the threat of military action, a compromise solution was reached.

In addition to international political conflict, the entire world has been impacted by El Niño. These air currents have caused unusual weather conditions all over the world. In the U. S., extreme weather was common. Parts of the nation experienced unusual

heat in mid-winter, while other areas were simultaneously experiencing record snowfall. Even as *Imprint '98* is in its final stages in this month of June, snow is still falling in certain parts of the west. The east experienced the warmest spring since 1882, with tornados ripping through practically every south-eastern state. Virginia has suffered from more than five tornados this year.

In November, Virginia conducted state elections. Jim Gilmore was elected as governor, with John Hager as Lt. Governor. John Warner and Chuck Robb were chosen as senators. State Attorney-General Mark Early was elected. The constituents of the 6th district, an area including the City of Roanoke, elected Bob Goodlatte to represent them in the House.

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In February the streets of Nagano, Japan were filled with tourists and athletes from all over the world. Hotels were packed, and taxis were carting nervous athletes all over the city. Excitement was everywhere, and the air was filled with the aura of friendly competition. All the athletes had a far away look in their eyes, almost as if they were living out a dream, a dream where they each had their sights set on one goal--an Olympic gold medal.

After many victorious efforts in the Summer Olympics at Atlanta, Georgia just two years ago, the Americans were expected to do well again this year in Nagano. However, things did not go exactly that way, especially for the men's teams. The Americans did not even win a medal until the fifth day of competition. Meanwhile, Germany and Russia had already swept away many of the medals.

On the fifth day of competition, Picabo Street put the Americans on the board with a gold medal win in the Women's Alpine Super-G. Next, Jonny Moseley added another gold to the Americans' scoreboard for the Men's Freestyle Skiing Moguls. Later in the week, Nikki Stone took the gold in the free style skiing competition. On the newer side of Olympic competitions, Shannon Dunn and Ross Powers took the bronze for the men's and women's half-pipe snowboarding.

On the ice, Chris Whitty and Amy Peterson took bronze and gold medals respectively for speed skating. Andrew Gabriel walked away with a silver medal for the Men's 5000m Short Track Speed Skating, and a bronze for the 500m short track. The next day the Americans added

three bronze medals to their trophy case. Todd Eldridge took the bronze for the Men's Single Short Program in ice skating.

The Americans were expecting to sweep the Women's Singles Figure Skating event this year. However, a disappointing long program by Nicole Bobek knocked her into seventeenth place. The Americans still took first and second place though, with a stunning upset by Tara Lipinski, who took the gold medal from Michelle Kwan. Following the Olympics, Tara stunned the skating world when she turned professional, eliminating herself from future Olympic competition.

The Women's Ice Hockey Team took the gold medal this year. They came in underdogs, not favored at all

for medal contention. The Men's Hockey Team, on the other hand, was expected to take

it all. Many of the men on the team are pro players in the NHL. This team of men was called the "Dream Team" of hockey. However, in the end, it was the women who took home the gold in an emotional game against Canada, and the men who were sent home after only a few games.

Overall the Americans brought home a disappointing thirteen medals, as compared to the over 100 that were brought home by the team two years ago from Atlanta.

On the home front, the World Series was won by the Florida Marlins in their third season, but due to free agency, the team was stripped of most of their talent during the winter. Mark McGuire flirted with Roger Maris' single season homerun record but came up short. John Elway, playing for the Denver Broncos, finally achieved his lifelong ambition of getting a Super Bowl ring. The Chicago Bulls Dynasty, led by Michael Jordon, Scottie Pippen, and Coach Phil Jackson, are on course for their sixth championship in eight years, ranking them as one of the greatest organizations in basketball history.

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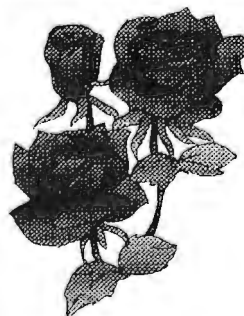
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*Blessing*

*“The LORD bless you and keep you;*  
*The LORD make His face shine upon you,*  
*And be gracious to you;*  
*The LORD lift up His countenance upon you,*  
*And give you peace.”*

*Num. 6:24-26 (NKJV)*

*We love you, Ben. Mom and Dad*



*Just a note to thank you, Mrs.*  
*Chilton, for all your hard work and*  
*encouragement as our Advisor. You*  
*made this year very special for all*  
*of us.*

*Love,*  
*The 1998 Imprint Staff*  
*Philippians 1:3*



# Matthew 12:31



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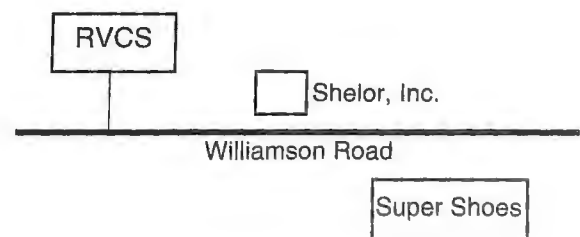
Matthew 12:31

“Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.”

At Shelor's, we firmly believe in Matthew 12:31 and consider our customers our neighbors.

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# To God BE THE GLORY

“[R]eflect the Lord’s glory” (2 Corinthians 3:18) is the underlying theme for the twenty-five years of ministry at this school. The teachers, staff members, and administrators truly desire to instruct each student how to live so that he may honor God in every area of his life. Each building program, every curriculum, and every planning decision is made in the light of this goal.

After twenty-five years of hard work the school has reached many of its goals. Although the school was faced with many trials along the way, looking back and seeing how far everyone has come is rewarding. The school has grown in many different ways. From added computer labs and the growth of the sports program to the new buildings and the growing staff, the faculty has done its best to train the student body in God’s word and to wrap the young people in His love through the school. The graduates in the class of ‘98 have truly been privileged to have experienced God’s love reflected by the school. Through all of the school’s accomplishments, may God have the honor and praise.

*by Michelle Hightower*





**CLIMBING UP.** Miranda Newman climbs up the rope ladder to the top of the playhouse on the playground. Most of the elementary students' favorite time of the day is recess, when they are able to play and spend time with their friends.

**WHAT'S NEXT?** These eighth graders are looking at the welcome board beside the construction site to search for upcoming events. With the construction of the new building and the anticipation of moving into high school, they are always on edge to see what is going to happen.



**BOTTOMS UP!** Sixth grader Sarah Zimmerman plays on the slide during one of their societies days. The middle school went outside on the playground for some games instead of having their normal societies activities.

**STICKY SITUATION.** Matthew Bergum is at his best, making a huge bubble out of a wad of gum. This young man was often seen walking around at games with gum covering his face after his big bubbles popped.



**TEACHER'S PETS.** The yearbook class gets together for one last party and their final picture. Mrs. Chilton feels she always forms a special bond with this class because of the special times these students share.



**IT'S A TOSS UP!** Each year as the seniors receive their caps and gowns in anticipation of graduation, a photo session is scheduled for formal portraits. It has become a tradition for two photos to be taken on that day, a formal pose and a toss pose. The annual toss of the caps into the air is an exuberant expression of the feelings of freedom that come with graduation: the ending of time together in high school, but the beginning of a life which is filled with many privileges and responsibilities.



**A "FRESH" FACE.** Whitney Osborne puts her English books in her locker after class. Getting through the halls between classes is usually difficult for people because of all of the bodies trying to get things together for their next class.



**MAKING CHANGES.** Shenandoah Baptist Church, committed to a program of excellence for the music department, began construction on a new music wing to be used both by the church and the school. Much has been accomplished since the beginning of the year. What started out as a grassy lawn has now begun to take shape into a partially completed building. For twenty-five years this school has been truly blessed. Let us have faith and trust in God to provide the means for completing the project, and may we continue to follow on the right path, reflecting the love that Christ has shown to us. Praise the Lord for all he has done!



**LETTING GO.** Saying goodbye is never easy, but for these seniors parting is inevitable. Seventh period Bible class gathers one last time. Reality sinks in on the final full day of school, the last time this class will meet together except at graduation. The year ended as fast as it began, and the Class of '98 has only one more final good-bye.



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T H E L O R D !





To God be the glory . . .

hello Phillip,  
How are you doing?  
Hope this year goes  
well for you!!

Jo Mann

Have a nice  
school year  
Slacker

Clumsy Prentiss

Sata. Wagon

Philip,  
I've enjoyed having you  
in class thus far, and look  
forward to getting to know  
you better. Have a great  
year. Mr. Gold

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~~Handwritten signature~~

Philip,  
hey wuzn?  
Nothing here. I can't  
believe we're in  
high school, have a  
great year!

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all

Love up,  
Xmas

Philip,  
Hey! I'm glad we  
can be in some classes  
together. You're a great guy.  
SG stay that way. Love, Nan mah

Phillip,  
I've enjoyed  
being your  
pub.!! Take  
care and  
look forward  
to the  
next  
time!! It  
would be  
a great  
adventure.  
The Power

Hi Phillip  
MEL TERRY



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元気!!

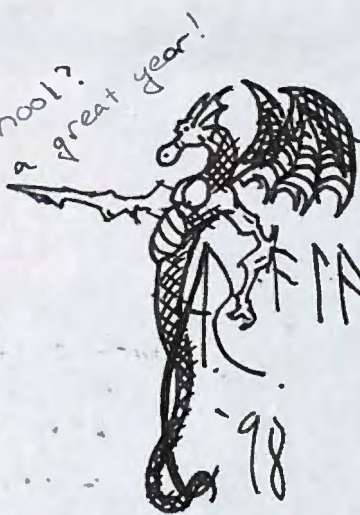
Hey Phillip  
How's it going  
Hope you have a good  
year.

Jonathan Morris

Wold!  
#23  
Art Mafu



Hey Phillip!  
 How's life doin ya?  
 Are ya lovin high school?  
 well, I hope you have  
 Luv ya lot's!  
 Belen



J.B's My  
 Best Friend  
 Adam  
 Dean

Phillip,  
 I hope you have  
 a great Freshmen year.  
 Love,  
 Emily

Be cool, go  
 to another school  
 Chris Zuma

Have a great  
 year in High school  
 Ben.

Phillip,  
 hey boy!  
 hope high school goes  
 better than the Annex!  
 ha ha! Friends 4 ever!  
 Love,  
 Hudson

Hey Phillip,  
 Wuz↑?  
 Hope you  
 have an  
 awesome  
 Freshman  
 year!

Have a good year Martina  
 Phil  
 John A

Big Johnson

Island



