Three's a crowd

Class of 2003

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Sheridan Lake, Colorado 81071
2002-2003 School Year
Below: Martin in front of a fountain at the Bointon Beach Mall in Florida.

Below: "Friends Forever": Kami Stum traveled to Germany to visit our exchange student from a year ago, Carina Fischer, prompting Kami to anxiously anticipate a return trip in the near future.

At right: Mr. Pape, unable to get an actual human being to pose with him, settles for "man's best friend," his brother's dog, Pax, in Scottsdale, Arizona.

At Right: This Spanish Mission in Tucson, Arizona is one of the oldest in the United States, built in the eighteenth century and still being used by the native community in the area.

At Right: Remember the Eighties? No matter how hard we may try, there are those individuals who either can't let go or can't accept the fact that they were born too late to fully appreciate its style. Unfortunately, Megan and Kaddy fall into that category. Here the two are in Florida on SeniorSneak, and although this page is about last year's summer vacations, I needed something to fill space.

At Right: Castle Marionburg in Germany. Kami visited many interesting sites during her stay in the "Fatherland."

Right: Martin shows off his big sombrero and his Mexican zarape during his vacation in Florida.
In the Good 'ol Summertime, When The Livin' Is Easy

The Plainview Crowd Takes a Trip

Below Left: Brady and Tanner take time out for a picture at one of the many rodeos they attend during the summer.

Below: Castle Marionburg in Germany, one of the many attractions Kami saw on her European vacation.

Below: Here's a "Blast from the Past": Former foreign exchange student Daniel Kunz has Kami and Carina over for a BBQ at Daniel's home in Gummersbach, Germany. (Daniel is fourth from the left in the back row. Can you guess which one in this picture is his little brother?)

Above: Brady Butler's pickup needs a good cleaning after some off-road activity, or as some call it, "Muddin'."

Middle Left: Mr. Pape visits the famous Tombstone Courthouse, the town where the legendary O.K. Corral and its shootout is re-enacted over and over again in unbearable heat for around $8. Get your tickets!!!!

Above: Martin Hernandez in a Florida parking lot looking rather suspicious. Obviously, it isn't 2:05 pm.

Above: Hey look!! It's Megan Fickenscher, Chip, Kaddy Strogies, Dale, and Katha Greuel in Florida on Senior Sneak!!! We all knew the girls could get dates, we just thought they would be of their same species. Just kidding, of course. But catch more senior sneak fun near the end of this book, where the rodents come clean and admit that they have the weapons of mass destruction and they're hidden in the Everglades, guarded by alligators.

Summer Vacation 5
The 2002-2003 Plainview Staff

Sharon Arns
Business teacher
Jan Carney
First and Second Grade
Brenda Fickenscher
Science/Math
Ruth Fees
English/Newspaper

Susan Greenfield
Third and Fourth Grade
Cheri Hopkins
Fifth and Sixth Grade
Thomas Pape
Social Studies/Journalism
Neil Ray
Math/Physics

Phyllis Reinert
Kindergarten/Pre-K
Kathy Specht
Special Education
Jay Wilson
P.E./Coach
Sharon Wilson
Reading/Counselor

Kim Harris
Librarian
Cora Coffman
Head Cook
Debbie Harris
Asst. Cook
Marilyn Hopkins
Secretary

Wanda Rohlman
Janitor
Leo Specht
Maintenance
Sharon Scott
Asst. Cook
Zelpha Woelk
Bookkeeper
Our Fearless Leaders: 
Plainview Administration, 
School Board, and Staff for 
2002-2003

Mr. Johnny B. Holcomb
Superintendent

Mrs. Cheri Hopkins
Assistant Administrator

Far Left: The 2002-2003 School Board: (Left to right) Jay Specht, Mike Benge, Bob Weber, Mike Lening, and Monte Stum.

At Left: Zelpha, Mrs. Hopkins, and Mr. Holcomb at a May Board meeting.

Far Left: Mrs. Hopkins teaching the fifth and sixth grade their math skills.

Middle: Mrs. Wilson getting ready for her reading class.

Left: Mr. Ray explains the theory of perpetual motion.

Far Left: Pete just finishes cleaning the office latrine, and still manages a smile.

Middle: Mrs. Carney hard at work on either her grades or her memoirs.

Left: Mrs. Harris pauses from her librarian duties to smile for the camera.
Senior Pictures

Football-2,3,4
Basketball-2,3,4
Track-3
Baseball-3
President-4
Knowledge Bowl-3,4
Prom King-4

Football-2,3
Track-3
Vice-President-4
N.H.S.-3,4
Homecoming King-4
Stuco-1,4
Salutatorian-4

Volleyball-1,2,3,4
Basketball-1,2,3,4
Cheerleading-1,2,3,4
Track-1,3
Homecoming Queen-4
N.H.S.-3,4
Valadictorian-4
Stuco Pres-4
ClassVice President-1
Class Secretary-2,3
Knowledge Bowl-2,3

Volleyball-4
Basketball-4
Track-4

Volleyball-4
Basketball-4

10 Senior Pictures
Class Motto

"It is better to have tried something and failed than to never have tried at all."  --Unknown

Brandon J. Murdock
Football-1,2,3, President-3

Montana William Barber
Football-2,3, Baseball-3

Class Flower

Blue-Tipped White Rose

Class Colors
Tarheel Blue Black & Silver
Montana William Barber

D.O.B. December 15, 1984

Favorites:
Vehicle: SVT Ford F150 Lightning
Animal: Pitbull
Cartoon: Scooby Doo
Sport: Aggressive Inline Skating

Things you will miss about Plainview? The fact that I will have to work all the time.

Favorite Saying? “Live every day like you will die tomorrow.”

Plans for the future? To work hard and live large.

A life’s lesson? Don’t trust anyone until you know them.

Brady Earl Butler

D.O.B. July 11, 1984

Favorites:
Vehicle: 1969 Dodge Charger
Animal: Horse
Cartoon: Garfield
Food: Pizza
Sport: Football

Things you will miss about Plainview? Friends and the one-on-one teaching.

Favorite Saying? “That’s what she said!”

Plans for the future? Go to College for two years and manage a feedlot somewhere in Texas or Montana.

A life’s lesson? If something is worth doing, it is worth doing right the first time, or it’s not worth doing at all.

Cecil Dale Colgin

D.O.B. January 7, 1985

Favorites:
Vehicle: Ford Mustang
Animal: St. Bernard
Cartoon: Scooby Doo
Food: Pizza
Sport: Football & Basketball

Things you will miss about Plainview? My friends.

Favorite Saying? “What’s Crackalackin?”

Plans for the future? To join the United States Marine Corp

A life’s lesson? Don’t drink and drive.

Megan Sari Fiedfenscher

D.O.B. April 24, 1984

Favorites:
Vehicle: Audi TT, Chevy Duramax
Animal: Horse
Cartoon: Rocket Power
Food: Mexican, seafood
Sport: Basketball

Things you will miss about Plainview? My friends and the quiet.

Favorite Saying? “You can choose your friends, but you can’t choose your family.”

Plans for the future? To attend college, and major in accounting.

A life’s lesson? Be true to the people who matter.
**Katharine Greuel**

D.O.B. May 23, 1986

Favorites:
Vehicle: Honda Civic
Animal: Cat
Cartoon: The Simpsons
Food: Chinese, Japanese
Sport: Basketball

Things you will miss about Plainview? That no one cares about hall passes.

Favorite saying? “Live every day like it would be the last.”

Plans for the future: ??????

A life's lesson? Always be true to the people that you love.

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**Brandon J. Murdock**

D.O.B. February 19, 1984

Favorites:
Vehicle: Ford F550
Animal: Dog
Cartoon: Sponge Bob Square Pants
Food: Grandma’s food
Sport: Football

Things you will miss about Plainview? Buying pop and candy at lunch.

Favorite Saying? “Work hard and play hard.”

Plans for the future? Start my own business.

A life's lesson? Have as much fun as you can while you are young and party hard.

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**Martin Hernandez**

D.O.B. August 9, 1984

Favorites:
Vehicle: Corvette, Pontiac
Animal: Dog
Cartoon: The Simpsons
Food: Pizza
Sport: Soccer

Things you will miss about Plainview? Some of the teachers

Favorite Saying? “Think before you think.”

Plans for the future? To start my own business in Mexico City.

A life’s lesson? Never hit a dog if you don’t kill it.

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**Kathleen Strogies**

D.O.B. February 19, 1986

Favorites:
Vehicle: Trabi
Animal: Cat
Cartoon: Tom and Jerry
Food: Spaghetti
Sport: Swimming

Things you will miss about Plainview? My locker.

Favorite Saying? “That is Deep!”

Plans for the future? Graduate from my German school.

A life's lesson? Be yourself.
Jamie Crowell  Brandon Kultgen  Kami Stum  Mr. Pape

The Juniors  Class of 2004
Left: Jamie Crowell recites a poem during the Christmas concert.

Below: Kami makes sure Mr. Pape has his story straight at the mock trial.

Above: Katha, Jamie, Kami, and Kaddy are ready for a big night of trick or treating.

Left: Jamie concentrates hard during the mock trial that the junior's history class put on.

Left: Jamie shows off her teddy bear that she got for Christmas.
Vicki Specht
President

Kathy Specht
Sponsor

Miranda Weber
Stuco Rep.

Miranda after a hard class.

class of
2005

Miranda poses with the Volleyball.

Vicki tries to eat crackers!

Miranda gives a presentation to the school, about her 4-H projects.

Vicki actually smiles for the camera!
Above: Miranda prepares herself for a big trial.

Above: Vicki looks over the seat to see what she’s missing out on.

Above: “Yes, Cecil, I swear to tell the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.”

Above: Vicki and Miranda horsing around after winning a medal at the science fair. They received grand champion on their project: “Should Taste Buds Get All the Credit?”

Left: Miranda and Vicki celebrate after winning first place in the Colorado Home Energy Contest in Golden, Colorado. This event was quite the success for our sophomore class, who took home a check for $100, as well as a $10,000 home makeover.

Below: Vicki yawning after a long day on a field trip.
The Class of 2006: Blaine Shivers, Cassie Harris, Jessica Kelley, and Jason Freouf provide two different moods for the camera: hamming it up with a little spontaneity on the left, and a more traditional pose on the right.
**Top:** Jason and Cassie are having a good time, learning in Mr. Pape's class. How did that happen?

**Middle:** Jessica figured it out all by herself.

**Top Left:** Jason is expressing his knowledge of computers.

**Far left:** Jason Freouf making his point during geography class. **Middle:** Blaine is developing a taste for crawdad. MMM, MMM, GOOD! **Bottom Left:** Acting as a witness during the witchcraft trial simulation, Blaine is having trouble verbalizing his lines. **Middle:** Cassie Harris engaged in some very deep thinking.

**Left:** Ms. Fees and Blaine apparently get distracted easily while in the long-distance Spanish class.

**Top:** Mrs. Arns is helping Jessica get through her tough assignment.

**Above:** (Caution) Cassie is concentrating.
Got Hawk Spirit?

Spirit is about everything, especially when a team is willing to give everything to win a game. The Hawk Spirit is only in Plainview supporters and Plainview students. Whenever the feeling of desperation exists and the outcome is in doubt, the Hawk Spirit rises up from the crowd. Hawk Spirit can come in many shapes and many sizes, crowds great and small. It's like they say, "Two's company, but Three's a Crowd."
Bob-Hawks
As winter neared around the Hawks nest, Homecoming started becoming a big topic. The week started off with Twin Day, then there was Reverse-Inside out Day, 70's Day, and last there was Blue and White Day. During the afternoon of each day, there were activities held in the gym in which the whole school was divided into teams. On Thursday, there was a pep rally along with the bonfire. Saturday rolled around and the lady Hawks took on the Pritchett Pirates. Afterwards, Seniors Megan Fickenscher and Brady Butler were declared King and Queen after the game. Representing the freshmen class were Blaine Shivers and Cassie Harris. Vicki Specht and Jamie Crowell were the Sophomore and Junior candidates. Following the game the Student Council held a dance.

Everybody really had a great time and can't wait till next year.

**Freshman Initiation**

Top Row: Brady and Megan celebrate after being crowned King and Queen.

Middle Row: Cecil, Ashley, and Montana take a minute for the camera. Brady, Megan, Jamie, and Vicki wait patiently for all the cameras to get their shots.

Bottom Row: The students are enjoying themselves at the dance. The teachers take a minute to “line dance.”

Cassie, Blaine, and Jason (The Three Stooges) all participated everyday in their initiation into high school. They all tried their best, and they all were very good sports about it. Although they thought that initiation wasn’t very hard, they all had a great time.
Top Left: The three freshman attempt to chew their bubble gum after fishing for it in a pan full of whip cream.
Top Middle: Jason, Cassie, and Mrs. Harris act out the freshmen skit at the pep rally.
Top Left: All the girls in the school trying to out-pull the boys in a game of “Tug of War.”

Below Middle: Trey and Shelby Harris, and Kami Stum all won for the “Blue and White Day.”

Above Top: Trey and Shelby Harris, and Brady Butler all won for being best dressed for “70’s” day.
Above Bottom: Blaine pushes a penny down the hall: his punishment, for being a Freshman.

Above Bottom: Jason gives a “Beaver Smile,” with a mouth full of crackers.

Above Top: Megan cheers at the “BIG” bonfire.
Above Bottom: Miss Greenfield shows everyone how to use the hula hoop.

TWIN DAY AT THE HAWKS NEST

Left: Katha and Kaddy dressed up as German Twins. Erin, Becca, and Lana all dressed up as triplets. Then there are the Twin Day winners; Trey and his mirror, Kirbi and Vincent, and Jamie and Kami.
Belm: Once again it appears that the Bobcats will pull off a victory.

Right: Brandon Kultgen prepares to go out for a pass in the Springfield game.

Below: Mark Grasmick and Blaine Shivers watching the Bobcats defeat Cheyenne Wells

Below: Once again it appears that the Bobcats will pull off a victory.

Above: Brandon Kultgen replenishes his supply of hydrating fluids.

Right: The soon to be retired number of Cecil Colgin.

Above: Cecil waits for his glorious moment as a big dawg.
Left: Mark Grasmick makes a tough catch.

Above: Carlos Baldarrama takes a break to catch his breath.

Left: Cecil Colgin gets up close and personal with the camera.

Left: Carlos Baldarrama takes a break to catch his breath.

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Above: Brandon Kultgen replenishes his supply of hydrating fluids, in other words, he's getting a drink of water during a timeout.

Above: Cecil waits for his glorious moment as a big dawg.

Right: Brandon Kultgen prepares to go out for a pass in the Springfield game.


Right: The Plainview boys pose for a picture before heading off to the state championship game in Stratton.
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Top: Megan gives her dad a hug and a rose, on the last home volleyball game.

Above: Kami serves the ball.

Plainview 2002 Volleyball Team. Back row, from left to right: Cassie Harris, Vicki Specht, Coach Brenda Fickenscher, Katharina Greuel, and Miranda Weber. Front row, from left to right: Kathlen Strogies, Jamie Crowell, Megan Fickenscher, and Kami Stum.

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K.C. 0-15, 2-15  Karval 6-15, 1-15  Final Record 0-12

Coach Fickenscher’s Comments

“As the volleyball season wrapped up, the Plainview girls’ season was 0-12, but that didn’t reflect the level of heart that the team put into some of their games.

The team has ‘no regrets’ because they never gave up. As a first year coach, I had a tremendous amount to learn about volleyball. The girls were great to work with and very supportive.”
Left: Cassie looks on while awaiting the next play.

Far Left: Miranda hits the ball, while Kaddy, Megan, and Vicki figure out their next move.

Below Left: Megan anticipates where the ball is going to land.

Left: Kaddy and Kami get ready for the serve.

Above: Kaddy serves the ball.

Left: The girls stretching before the game.

Mother Hawk

Plainview
High School
Volleyball

Mrs. Fickenscher
Above: Cecil shows his follow-through while he shoots a freethrow at home versus the Weskan Coyotes.

Above: "Cecil's Fan club" consisting of Jamie Crowell, Katha Greuel, and Kami Stum cheer on the Bobcats.

Above: Granada Junior Mark Grasmick "skies" the rebound.
Left: Bennie Rincon finishes a drive along the baseline with a successful layup against Karval.

Below: Cecil Colgin, tired from all of the playing time that he had gotten in the game, displays the physical and emotional drain that such prolonged activity brings with it.

Left: Cecil Colgin remembers to always have his shoelaces tied in order to avoid any unnecessary on-court catastrophe.

Above: Ray Martinez puts a move on his defender.

Below: Cecil Colgin is concentrating hard in anticipating where he needs to be in order to get the rebound.

Above: Mark Grasmick showing perfect form while shooting a free throw during the Campo game.
Season

Springfield Tournament
McClave 10 - 62
Vilas 49 - 36
Springfield 36 - 20

Season
Campo 42 - 14
Weskan 27 - 52
Manzanola 46 - 33
Cheraw 33 - 66
Chyln. W. 30 - 37
Pritchett 28 - 33
Camp 52 - 13
McClave 16 - 51
Granada 48 - 50
Karval 41 - 52
Wiley 27 - 36
Eads 30 - 70
Kit Carson 25 - 56

District Tournament
Eads 19 - 59

Right: Katha Greuel (34), Kami Stum (22), and Megan Fickensher (24) tenaciously play a zone defense against Campo.

Above from left to right: Assistant Coach Brenda Fickenscher, Kami Stum, Cassie Harris, Megan Fickenscher, Kaddy Strogies, Vicki Specht, Jamie Crowe, Miranda Weber, Coach Wilson, and Katha Greuel.

Above: Senior Katha Greuel leads the charge.
Left: Kami, Jamie, and Vicki, getting ready to give flowers to their parents before the Homecoming game with Pritchett.

Left: Kami Stum going up for a lay-up.

Below: Kaddy Strogies ready to bounce the ball in during the game with Kit Carson.

Above: Vicki Specht looking to get open above the three point line against McClave.

Above: Coach Wilson looking very, very happy.

Left: Jamie feeling the heat of the game.
At Right: Miranda’s expression says it all. In finishing her 800 meter run at the Tribune Track Meet, Miranda Weber displays the intensity and emotion that such an event demands.

Below: In competing during the high jump, Vicki Specht puts her best . . . er, foot forward during what was the first track meet of the season.

Above: Kami, being her normal, goofy self, takes a minute to provide a memory for the journalism camera.

Above: Jason gives his best, and clears the bar.

Above: Blaine prepares himself for the high jump at his very first high school track meet.
At Left: Coach Wilson gives a serious assessment to the prospects of another track season.

At Left: Kami contemplates the strategy of an upcoming event. Either that, or she is trying to decide whether to go with the SPF 30 or the SPF 50 on the sunscreen.

Below: Kami Stum, Vicki Specht, and Katha Greuel pose for a pre-race photo.

Above: "The Blaine Shivers Flop." Although still in its developmental stages, Freshman Blaine Shivers is determined that his high-jump form will one day be the standard by which all great high jumpers will be measured. Until then, we'll have to settle for the "unpatented" version.

Above Right: Sophomore Vicki Specht surveys the situation, and is about to embark on her own high jumping excursion.

High School Track 35
High School
Cheerleading

Above: Megan Fickenscher, Cassie Harris, and Miss Fees pose for the annual team picture.

Above: Megan and Cassie have a good time at the community pep rally.

Above: Miss Fees, Cassie, and Megan all take a second to pose for the camera.

Below: Cassie gets the Hawks fired up while acting like a "Big, Bad Granada Bobcat."

Above: Megan shows the Hawks how the Bobcats do "The Dance" down in G-Town.

PLAINVIEW LADY HAWK

Senior
Megan
Fickenscher

Coach
Miss Fees

Freshmen
Cassie Harris

CHEERLEADERS

Above Left: Megan gives her best smile for the photographer.

Above Right: Cassie looks "cheerful" while posing for her cheerleading picture.
Faces in the Crowd

Student Life
Left: Megan Fickenscher during a meeting with the other STUCO officers discussing upcoming events.

Below: Leaders Jamie Crowell, Megan Fickenscher, and Kami Stum get ready to acknowledge the teachers on Teacher Appreciation Day, May 6, 2003.
The Scholastic Team, although small in 2002-2003, had some fairly competitive individuals who gave it their all the entire season. The team consisted of freshmen Cassie Harris and Jason Freouf, sophomore Miranda Weber, juniors Kami Stum and Jamie Crowell, and senior Cecil Colgin. They also qualified for Matchwits, with Kami, Jamie, and Miranda starting, and Jason and Cecil at the alternates. Coach Ruth Fees, although always wanting her squad to do better, was pleased with their progress, and is looking forward to a productive season next year.
The 2003 Local Science Fair winners were: (High School) Miranda Weber and Vickie Specht, Champions; Katha Greuel and Kami Stum, Reserve Champions and 2nd People’s Choice; Cassie Harris, 1st People’s Choice; Blain Shivers and Jason Freouf, Honorable mention. (Junior High) Trey Harris, Champion; Erin Specht, Reserve Champion.

Below: (from left to right) Erin, Vicki, Katha, Miranda, Kami, Trey, and Jayme, at the State’s Science Fair.

Left: Dr. Vicki Specht and Miranda Weber really excited to have Martin and the Japanese Ninja fighter watch their “surgery” on a pig.

Below: (Back row from left to right) Miranda Weber, Vickie Specht, Kami Stum, Katharina Greuel, (front row from left to right) Cassie Harris, Blaine Shivers, and Jason Freouf.

As the seniors' year progressed, they kept themselves as busy as ever. From creating "Bill to Law" board games to Colorado Close-Up, the seniors had a great time throughout, and now have a better understanding of how our state and country's three branches of government function. Their verdict? It's a work in progress, so keep trying.
Above Left: Montana Barber concentrates hard on his page.

Above Right: Brady gives his studly smile for the camera.

THE MIGHTY-SENIOR JOURNALISM CLASS

Left to Right: Martin Hernandez, Cecil Colgin, Montana Barber, Brady Butler, and Mr. Pape.

Below Left: Cecil, the editor, works hard on the Granada, football playoff page.

Below Right: Martin prepares to do some magic on the computer.

The Journalism Class was made up of four senior boys and their sponsor was Mr. Pape. Although they were faced with several problems, they managed to work very hard throughout the year. The class had to put some extra time in on trying to finish the previous year book. Along with that they had quite a few pages to get done on their yearbook, and only a limited number of students. However, they did manage to get the yearbook done on time without too many mistakes. Journalism was very fun this year and all of us enjoyed it.
The newspaper class this year was challenging, to say the least. At the beginning of the year, The Hawk Herald had two staff members: Brandon Murdock and Montana Barber. I was worried, but the boys did a good job in spite of my yelling and prodding. At semester, the paper staff gained three more people: Cecil Colgin, Martin Hernandez, and Brady Butler. As a result, we were able to include more pictures and the work load decreased for each student. Unfortunately, my stress level increased. Overall, I am extremely proud of the 2002-2003 Hawk Herald staff.

By Ms. Fees
Top Left: Cecil’s semester long project. Above: The whole clan “in the woodshed.”
Left: Cecil trying to convince Mr. Wilson that his project is finished.
Below Left: How many seniors does it take to shingle a shed?
Below: Cecil “eager” to begin his community service.
Right: The project in the corner.
Bottom Left: Mr. Wilsons “inherited” project: a pool table.
Bottom Middle: The shed in its finished state, for sale at the bargain basement price of $1500.00.
Bottom Right: Martin’s project: an envelope holder for his nephew’s shop.
Below Right: Vicki Specht does her best "Pippi Longstocking" impersonation, proving she can be both funny and peculiar at the same time. Below: Paige Specht searches for that elusive Easter egg.

At Right: Brady Butler, Martin Hernandez, and Brandon Murdock get ready to "head 'em up and move 'em out," although Martin's "bloody skull" get-up really doesn't fit in with the whole "western" theme.

Matthew Sanders eagerly anticipating the holiday break. Jason Freouf at the Christmas gift-giving party. Blaine Shivers shows off his M & M doll, while Luke Specht has fun at the Easter celebration.

Above: Matthew, Kristen, and Katelyn enjoy some Easter treats. At Left: Katha, Jamie, Kami, and Kaddy are ready to scare the treats out of anyone with some candy.
At right: Using all of his telepathic powers, King Cecil Colgin, although seemingly placing the crown atop Queen Katha Greuel’s head, is actually trying to guess her height, weight, and date of birth.

Below: Knowing that the prom planning and decorating phase is now complete, junior Kami Stum eagerly anticipates the Grand March.
Left: Is this the Moulin Rouge? No, it’s just the Plainview girls showing the camera their undergarments. From left to right, Jamie Crowell, Kaddy Strogies, Megan Fickenscher, Kami Stum, Vicki Specht, Miranda Weber, Cassie Harris, and Katha Greuel.

Below Left: Megan Fickenscher does her best Pied Piper impersonation as she leads the prom faithful around the KA Hall in some senior tribal dance.

Below Center: Freshman Jason Freouf shows Jamie Crowell and Katha Greuel his “moves,” in a style reminiscent of the King of Pop, Michael Jackson.

Below Right: Juniors/prom hosts Kami Stum and Jamie Crowell carry in the royal accessories - a crown for the queen, a bracelet for the king, and, of course, the roses for her majesty.

The Class of 2003: (clockwise from top left) Montana Barber, Kaddy Strogies, Brandon Murdock, Megan Fickenscher, Cecil Colgin, Brady Butler, Martin Hernandez, and Katha Greuel surround sponsor Sharon Arns.

Above: And the winner is...the Plainview seniors wait for the results that are being tabulated by the accounting firm of Price Waterhouse as to who will be the 2003 prom king and queen.
Three's
A Crowd

By Martin Hernandez 51
Below: Becca daydreams while Erin disguises herself as a textbook.

Right: Becca after a hard session of English.

Left: Sissy McMillan asks, “Suup, thugs?”

Below: The ever-studious Becca Specht.

Right: Becca is helpful as always. Below: “Oh no, not the camera again.”
Trey Harris

Right: Trey Harris demonstrates the ability to do classwork with his eyes closed.
Below: “Don’t shoot, we give up!”

Sponsor: Ruth Fees

Cody McMillan

Above: Cody McMillan writing his memoirs.

Above: A little whine and cheese from Trey Harris.

Left: Tapping his head and rubbing his stomach simultaneously. See, he can multi-task.

by Martin Hernandez
Above: Lauren, Megan, Jayme, and Jason show that they are indeed "all wet" on the last day of school.

Middle: Lauren Weber cheers on the Bobcats at a pep rally sending them off to the state title game.

Above: Jayme Berggren shows his displeasure regarding the temperature of the water.

Above: This sixth grader wouldn't reveal his or her identity. Does the "M" give us a clue?
Far Right: Megan Linder and Lana Weber await the ball to be put in play.

Right: Lauren Weber prepares to serve the ball.

Far Right Center: Megan Linder gets ready to pass the ball to one of her teammates.

Middle: Erin Specht sets the ball for a possible spike against Cheyenne Wells.

Below: The Junior High Plainview Lady Hawks get ready for the next point.

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League Tourney

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The 2002 Junior High Plainview Hawks Volleyball Team
From left to right: Sunny McMillan, Lauren Weber, Erin Specht, Coach Brenda Fickenscher, Megan Linder, and Lana Weber (Becca Specht and Sissy McMillan not pictured).

"B" Team (not pictured) included Joanna Specht, Kirbi Stum, Shelby Harris, Jayme Berggren, Heather Arns, Cody McMillan, Jason Specht, Trey Harris, Vincent Koeller, and Travis Eames.
Right: From left to right: Jayme Berggren, Travis Eames, Jason Specht, Trey Harris, Kirby Stum, and Vincent Koeller.

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Above: Trey Harris tries to get the Hawks organized.

Left: Jason Specht shoots a jumper against Karval.

Above: Jayme Berggren plays tight defense on a monster.

Above: Jason Specht brings the ball down the court at Eads.

Above: Jayme Berggren, Jason Specht, and Kirby Stum are on their way to attack some Trojans.

Above: Trey Harris looks for one of his team mates.
Left: Coach Fickensher ameliorating the girls attitude to win the game.

Right: Eighth-grader Erin Specht displays her blazing speed while teammate Lana Weber attempts to pass the ball.

Below: Lana bounce-passes the ball during warm-ups during the Cheyenne Wells

Above: (from left to right) Coach Brenda Fickenscher, Lauren Weber, Becca Specht, Alanna Weber, Erin Specht, and Megan Linder holding their Cheyenne Wells Tournament Consolation plaque.

Junior High Basketball

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League Tournament

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Above: Sixth-grader Lauren Weber walks off the court after a hard game with Cheyenne Wells.

Jason Specht sprints down the track well ahead of the competition during this particular heat.

Megan Linder prepares for a somewhat soft landing in the jump pit.

Lauren Weber is in a mad dash to the finish line against a girl from Kit Carson—will she make it???

And They’re Off!!! Jayme Berggren works to catch up with the rest of the pack.

Trey Harris is airborne as he tries to get the most from his jump.

Shelby Harris gets a running start for the long jump.

Erin Specht "empties the tank" on her final sprint.

Kirbi Sturn takes the baton from Trey Harris in the 4X100 Relay at McClave in April.

"Watchin' the world go by." Parents Jay Specht, Bob Weber, and Sharon Arns sit back, relax, get some rays, and watch their kids do all the work for a change.
Top Right: Erin, Becca, Alanna, and Lauren tell stories about “Cheerleading Camp.”


Below: The cheerleaders work to get the audience fired up.

Above: Along with Megan and Cassie, the JH cheerleaders do their routine at the Homecoming pep rally.

Above Right: The team poses again and gives their best smiles for that “Darn ole Journalism camera.”

Right: The cheerleaders debate what cheer to do next in order to please the audience.
Junior High Industrial Arts
Always "Building" Memories

The Junior High Shop class had a great year and learned a lot about wood-working from Mr. Wilson. From a toybox with a padded seat to a coffee table, the junior high always kept themselves busy "building memories."

Above: Becca is trying her best to finish her project before the end of school.

Left: Lana is working hard on her shelf. She built a six foot tall, four shelf display case.

Right: Erin made a "BIG" toybox with a padded seat for all of her siblings to sit on.

Left: Erin works diligently on her wonderful toybox. She built this toybox in one semester and it turned out to be a very nice project.
At Right: These “electrifying” T-Shirts were given to the participants who placed in this year’s Science Fair.


Below: Eighth-grader Erin Specht receives her award from Mr. Holcomb for her project that examined human personalities.

At Right: Erin Specht proudly displays her “Power Or Peace” project.

Far Right: Trey Harris examined the use of magnets with regards to train travel in his science fair project, “Levitation.” Trey earned the right to go to the state meet at CSU in Fort Collins for his efforts.
A Junior High Blast From The Past
"It's Elementary"

[Images of children playing basketball and smiling]
At Right: Kirbi Stum and Shelby Harris at a Plainview Junior High track meet.

The Fifth Grade

Above: The junior high junior varsity volleyball squad consisted of many of the fifth graders; among them (from left right): Kirbi Stum, Vincent Koeller, Joanna Specht, Sandy McMillan, Heather Arms, and Shelby Harris. The players behind them are Cody McMillan and Jason Specht.

Above: Kirbi Stum channels some aggression to an automobile that has had its share of hard knocks. This classy ride was donated to the senior class for their carnival in May.
Above: Matthew Sanders munches a "Cheetoh".
Below: Reagan Lane clutches his diploma with Hawk Pride.

Below: The Plainview Class of 2015: Reagan Lane, Mariah Priddy, Thomas Specht, Natalie Kroeker, and Quinton Weber all get ready to take that next step.

Above: Mr. Johnny Holcomb congratulates Thomas Specht, Natalie Kroeker, Mariah Priddy, and Quinton Weber upon receiving their diplomas.

At Right: Plainview's longtime kindergarten and pre-k teacher, Phyllis Reinhart.

Far Right: Reagan, Mariah, Thomas, Natalie, and Quinton belt out some song lyrics for the Plainview faithful.
The Sound of Music
The Spring Concert

The Spring Concert, directed by Mrs. Cheri Hopkins with accompaniment provided by Mrs. Cheryl Stum, was a great success. As always, it followed the Kindergarten Graduation, featured a great variety of songs, and some unexpected gaffes. Regardless, a fun time was had by all.

Below: Katha Greuel and Kaddy Strogies sing the solo to the finale Edelweis in German.

Far Left: The first and second graders sing, There's A Hole In My Bucket to start off the evening.

Left Middle: The third, fourth, and fifth graders pay close attention to the instruction of Mrs. Hopkins.

Below Left: Matthew Sanders and Luke Specht are very animated in their choreography.

Below: While Erin Specht sings, Katha Greuel and Cassie Harris try very hard to maintain their composure.

Far Left: Speaking of forgetting the words, Mr. Pape and Jason Freouf try not to laugh at the fact that Mr. Pape had just dropped his music and is at a "loss for words."

At Left: Although he is actually singing, Logan McVicker looks as though he is doing his best impersonation of Mr. Wilson signalling for a time-out during a basketball game.

Above Left: The Junior High and High School Choir along with Mr. Pape and Mrs. Fickenscher sing, This Song.

Above: Jessica Kelley smiles for the camera (could it be that she forgot the words?)

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Far Right: Jason spechts as "THE SNOWMAN", along with Heather Arms.

Middle: The elementary sings, while waiting for Santa Clause!!

Top: Mrs. Fickenscher pretends to sing, while Cassie shows her how it's done.

Above: Megan reads a poem about the importance of peace. 

Middle: Jamie recites a poem about the importance of being with friends and family on the holidays.

Above: Along with Mr. Pape, the junior high and high school choir sings Christmas tunes.

Bottom: The elementary kids finally get to sit on Santa's lap.
When Some Crowds Go Down
Far Right: In an effort just to see over the massive podium, Ms. Fees gives the English awards to her many deserving students.

At Right: Katha Greuel, Mr. Pape, and Kaddy Strogies perform the night's "Top Ten List": "The Top Ten American Phrases That Sound So Much Better Spoken in German by Actual German-Speaking People."

Far Right: (Below Ms. Fees): The "new" Plainview Cheerleaders put on a routine for the evening, with Shelby Harris being carefully hoisted into the air.

Below Center: The Plainview students replenish their food supply with the school year's last pot luck.

Below: Coach Wilson gives out the Basketball awards to Megan, Kami, Vicki, and Katha.

Above: The entire girl's basketball team presents Coach Wilson with a commemorative poster and a written tribute to his efforts as their coach for the 2002-2003 season.

At Right: The Plainview High School students and student-athletes "smile" as they get ready to reflect on a successful academic and athletic year.
Far Left: While Kami Stum continues to chew her food at least thirty times before swallowing, Vicki Specht and Jamie Crowell are more than ready for a picture to be taken.

Below Left: Megan Fickenscher, Katha Greuel, and Kami Stum show off their new volleyball shirts.

Below Center: Cecil Colgin enjoys the Awards Banquet with his nephew, Dominique.

Below: Mr. Pape can be counted on to give a fairly lengthy awards dissertation, allowing those who attended time to catch up on their sleep.

Below: Jamie Crowell (and Kami Stum, not pictured) is inducted into the National Honor Society by Mrs. Wilson at the conclusion of Awards Night.

Below: Kami Stum reacts with a gleeful smirk as she walks back to her seat after receiving one of many salutations for her efforts throughout the year.

Below: Cassie Harris, in winning the Geography Award from Mr. Pape, should have no problem finding her way back to her seat.

Below: Eagerly anticipating the beginning of the program, Kaddy Strogies sets things off by calling for the Master of Ceremonies, "Mr. Wilson!!!!!!!!"
At Right: Superintendent Johnny Holcomb gets the ceremony underway by introducing the afternoon’s first speaker.

Far Right: Eighth-grader Erin Specht walks slowly up to the front of the gym to sit with her classmates.

Below: Eighth-grade graduates Lana Weber, Erin Specht, and Becca Specht smile in front of their gifts at the ceremony’s conclusion.

*Below: Becca Specht walks the proper walk of all graduates: one foot in front of the other, slowly, deliberately, and most importantly, don’t trip!!!!!!!*

*Above: Erin Specht and senior Katha Greuel celebrate their accomplishments with a cake and a plethora of gifts to be opened later.*

*At Right: Erin Specht gladly receives her diploma from school board member Bob Weber.*
"See, Mr. Pape, I am graceful..."

At Right: Lana Weber proves to Mr. Pape that she can walk and smile at the same time. The question is: Can she add gum to the equation?

Congratulations from the M & M Guys!!!

Below: The M & M guys make another appearance in this yearbook. This time congratulating the hard work and dedication of this year's eight-grade class upon their graduation.

At Left: Becca Specht enthusiastically receives her certificate stating that she has completed the necessary courses to go on to high school.

Above: Erin Specht smiles as she checks out her graduation gifts.

Above: Lana Weber not only gets her certificate, but a hug as well from her father, school board member Bob Weber.
The Journey Ends... While Another Begins

Above: Salutatorian Brady Butler delivers his address on Graduation Day.

Above: Cecil Colgin gives one last look at the camera before walking up to take his seat.

Above: Brandon Murdock leisurely strolls on up to the front of the gym.

Above: Montana Barber and his tassel are ready to graduate.

"Words of Wisdom"

Valedictorian Megan Fickenscher speaks of the many paths we take and the people we encounter in our “dance” of life.

"The Plainview Class of 2003 Has Left The Building"

Well, not before we get this last picture of them in their caps and gowns. From Left to right: Kaddy Strogis, Brandon Murdock, Martin Hernandez, Katha Greuel, Megan Fickenscher, Cecil Colgin, Brady Butler, and Montana Barber looking scholarly with diplomas in hand.
Brandon Murdock (in background) shoots silly string towards Montana Barber and Brady Butler signaling an appropriate close to his high school career.

Megan Fickenscher's mortarboard is now an historical document with the signatures of all her classmates from the class of 2003.

Above Left: Kaddy Strogies, Megan Fickenscher, and Katha Greuel look quite calm and dignified as they await the start of graduation.

Above: Changing demeanor, Megan and Katha ham it up for the camera and attempt to break the tension before taking their place in line.

At Left: The Plainview Class of 2003 shows a little enthusiasm for the fact that they have entered official alumni status with the conclusion of festivities.

Above Left: Martin Hernandez receives his high school diploma from School Board president Mike Benge.
I. Montana William Barber, being of wacked out mind and broken down body hereby will the following:
*My Skating ability to Cecil Colgin.
*My Salomon ST9 skates to Cecil Colgin.
*Some of my muscle mass to Cecil Colgin so that maybe he could use some of mine to build on since he can't build his own.
*My coordination to Jessica so she can maybe learn to walk.
*My broken down nappy green chair in the lounge to Brandon Murdock so that maybe he can fix it.
*My Superman abilities that Sean gave me to Miss Fees so she will be able to prevent shingles and no to get so stressed out.
*My Ninja style to Mr. Holcomb so that maybe he could sneek around and not talk to you and make you late.
*My trash talking abilities to Ms Fees and the senior boys. They come in handy at times.
*My insanity to Blaine (Have fun in jail!)
*My partying skills to Ms. Fees (So maybe she could find out what fun is—it's not grammar).
*My common sense to the high school girls.
*My ADHD to Blaine (so he might be able to get motivated).

I. Brady Earl Butler, being of sound mind and body, will:
*My ability to stay at one school for all 13 years to all the students who have left.
*My Dodge pick-up to Cecil so that he knows what it is like to drive a real vehicle.
*My ability to stay out of trouble to Cecil, Brandon, and Montana.
*My ability to not drink alcohol to everyone that does.
*My ability to be on MSN Messenger to get caught to Cecil.
*My ability to roam the halls and not get in trouble to Brandon and Cecil.
*My great singing ability to Coach Wilson and my height to Ms. Fees, Mrs. Harris, and Mrs. Holcomb.
*My maturity to Kami and my intelligence to Jamie.
*My ability to not be stuck up to the juniors and sophomores.
*All of the memories over the past 13 years to Trevor and Megan.
*My "Gnome" football name to Blaine so that he will be as good as I was and my #22 football jersey to Jason.
*My ability to be social to people to Miranda and Cassie.
*My ability to not say, "Well, back in Texas..." to Mr. Holcomb.
*My patience to Mr. Pape.
*My ability to let people rub my shoulders to Katha and my ability to not get mad at people when they are just joking to Kaddy.
*My rope and roping abilities to Kaddy so that she can take them back to Germany and show everybody how roping is done in America.

I. Cecil Dale Colgin, being of not so sound mind and decrepit body, will the following:
*My ability to be a nice guy to Montana Barber.
*My masculinity and spasticism to Blaine Shivers.
*My story-telling ability to Jamie Crowell.
*My ability not to ram my truck into objects multiple times to Brandon Murdock.
*My taste in vehicles to Brady Butler and Leo Specht. I mean who wants to drive a Dodge?
*My ability to think on the same level as everyone else vis a visk Cecill.
*My ability to eat to Jessica Kelley.
*My flexibility to Blaine Shivers.
*My basketball skills to Blaine Shivers.
*My ability to party like a rock star to Cassie Harris.
*My ability to grow to Miss. Fees, Brady Butler and Cassie Harris.
*I will my Cheech and Chong movie to Mr. Pape.
*My knowledge of the English vocabulary to Jay Wilson.
*My intellectual abilities to Jason Freouf, a.k.a. MacGyver.
*My procrastination abilities to Cassie Harris.
*My ability to wear a shirt that has vulgar language on it all year and not get caught to Blaine Shivers.

I. Megan Sari Fickenschier, being of sound mind and body, will the following:
*My organization to all the underclassmen. (Believe me, you'll need it.)
*My promptness to Blaine and Miranda.
*My ability to stand up without getting hurt to Vicki.
*My ability to use a chair to put towels in cupboard to Jamie. The chair prevents injuries. This chair should also not include wheels, for this also prevents injuries.
*My grammar skills to the freshmen boys.
*My basketball jersey #24 to Cassie so that she doesn't have to wear #44.
*My athletic "skills" to Jessica.
*The ability to run through basketball warm-ups without tripping on my warm-up pants to Kami.
*My ranching vocabulary and knowledge to Kami because she won't always be able to ask me during school next year.
*Locker #1 to any Plainview High School student next year.
*My desire to be at a place I like and be happy—if I don't like it, I change it—to everyone who means and complains about "this God-forsaken place". Yes, this goes for teachers, too.

I. Katharin Greuel, being of sound mind and body, do the following:
*To Cassie, grow a little
*To Blaine, to coordinate his left hand with his right foot.
*To Jason, to get a hair style.
*To Miranda, to survive a week without looking at a book.
*To Vicki, to learn how to spell words correctly.
*To Kami, to get a little bit of a tan.
*To Jamie, to be healthy for at least 3 weeks.
*To Montana, how to put me foot in front of the other.
*To Martin, to wear a belt when it is really necessary.
*To Megan, to go to the Maverick's game with the girls.
*To Brandon, to sit in class (awake) and actually be quiet for at least 5 minutes.
*To Cecil, to wear shoes that match the rest of his appearance.
*To Kaddy, to learn how to take a harmless joke.
*To Brady, to forget for one day that he is a cowboy.

I. Martin Hernandez, being of sound mind and body, do what I think necessary for others:
*My Cheech and Chong movies to Mr. Holcomb, who seems to love those kinds of movies.
*My stereo systems to the school
*My ability to speak Spanish to Montana Barber so that he can talk with nice words to the teachers.
*My ability not to sleep during class to Cecil Colgin.
*My ability not to always look mad to Katha.
*My ability not to look like a lady to Jason Freouf.
*My ability to know the difference between a country and a continent to Vicki Specht.
*My tanning ability to Kami Stum.
*My ability to look awake to Mr. Neil Ray.
*My ability to spit 35 feet away to Blaine Shivers.
*My ability not to jump like crazy during sixth hour to Cecil Colgin.
*My ability to levitate to Blaine Shivers so that he plays basketball he'll be able to dunk it.
*And my last and most important, my sixth hour porcelain throne to Blaine Shivers. (Blaine, take one of it)

I. Brandon Murdock, being of sound mind and body, do hereby will the following:
*To knock someone's tooth out with a 6-sp to Jason Freouf, a.k.a. MacGyver.
*To "bust a move" to Blaine.
*To have a cool nickname like "Big Papi" to Martin Hernandez.
*To build a house in a year to the high school shop class.
*To get all frustrated over little things to Mrs. Arns.
*To never to have shingles to Miss Fees.
*To stay of people's business to those who can't.
*The nasty flower couch to Montana Barber.
*To not pause in a speech and say "uhhhhhhh" to Montana Barber.
*To not turn bright red when I get mad to Mr. Pape.
*To say three to Katha Greuel.
*To grow to Brady Butler.
*To party like a rock star to Vicki Specht.
*To be outspoken to Miranda Weber.
*To drive from Eads to Plainview in 18 minutes to Mr. Ray.
*To get so upset over an argument to Kaddy Strogies.
*To write an outline to Jessica Kelley.
*To not talk behind people's back to all who do.
*To sneak out to Cassie Harris because you are going to need it.
*My common sense to Jamie Crowell.

I. Kathleen Strawger, being of sound mind and body, do the following:
*My ability to do things at the last minute while driving everybody nuts but myself to Jamie Crowell.
*My ability to shut up in the right moment to Brandon Murdock.
*My ability to see things from 6 feet high to Miss Fees.
*My ability to find things in my locker to Katha Greuel.
*My love for basketball practice to all those who want it.
*My ability to learn the English language to all following Plainview exchange students.
*My ability to take things seriously to Montana Barber.
*My ability to style my hair every day to Mr. Pape.
*My ability to say "W" instead of "V" to Vicki Specht.
*My ability to trip over my warm-up pants before a game to Cassie Harris.
*My ability to "run/walk" a three liner in 19.5 seconds to Miranda Weber.
*My proper language in public buildings to Brandon Murdock.
*My Jordan sandals to Megan Fickenschier.
*All my German skills and German song test knowledge to Kami Stum.
The march of time is relentless and can be compared to an interstate highway: not a lot of rest stops, and the longer you go the more others pass you up.

I wrote this back in 2003, when I was preparing for prom in hopes of coming up with something profound to say to that year’s class. I’m sure I was up there talking, and to them sounded like that teacher in the Charlie Brown Christmas Special: "We, Wah, Wah, Wah, Wah, Wah, Wah, Wah, Wah. . . I mean, really, all they wanted was their food, dessert, leave what they need to leave to those who need it most, listen to some ridiculous list stating where they were in 20 years, and dance, and if they get a decent picture in there somewhere, well, that’s just a bonus.

After six years with that class, what was left to say? The class I had in their seventh grade world history class scarcely resembled the class I saw graduate that May: the two things I could always count on: Megan Fickenscher getting her homework in on time, and Ceci Colgin finding different ways in irritating the bejesus out of me. Other than that, there was Brady’s “match” incident, Brandon being Brandon, and a host of others who made the class quite interesting.

I received an invitation to their twelfth reunion, and for the most part, didn’t know what had become of that group. What happened with the Class of 2003? To answer that question, I asked the two who would know best: The Class of 2004—Kami Stum and Jamie Crowell, who oddly enough still attended the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs. They had become professional students, and in the course of nearly nineteen years, had almost each course offered by UCSC, earned six masters, three doctorsates, countless bachelor’s degrees, and were planning a graduation sometime in the spring of 2028. So I inquired as to how they were doing, and sure enough, those "crackerjack" researchers were on this assignment like "white on rice," and provided me with the information I needed. This is the story of the Plainview Class of 2003:

Montana Barber—

Montana Barber moved to Denver shortly after graduating from Plainview High School. He enrolled in automotive and diesel college and proceeded to do quite well in an area that I couldn’t even begin to pretend to know anything about. Having graduated Magna Cum Spark Plug, the automotive equivalent of "Top of the Class," Montana began working at a local garage, where he plied his trade, saved his money, and looked to open up his own business.

Montana did all that and more. He opened up that business and a chain of affordable automotive repair shops that spread all over the country. There were parades, appearances on late night television, endorsements, and his own television show on Fox, Military Hero. Well, Ceci was a celebrity, but none of that fame and fortune went to his head. No, the man who single-handedly won the war on terror took all that for selflessness and pursued other lofty goals: curtsey West Nile and Saris, and finding a cure for the common cold. Yes, for most it required a medical degree, but for Ceci, all he had to do was stay overnight in a Holiday Inn Express and anything was possible. Even finishing his pages in the 2003 Plainview yearbook.

Megan Fickenscher—

Megan Fickenscher left Plainview with a resume thicker than War and Peace. To use the literature comparison, my high school accomplishments would have read like one of those “See Spot Run With Dick and Jane” books, or the instructional manual to my toothbrush. Needless to say, as we all expected success from the student I referred to as “Miss Fickenscher”

Well, Miss Fickenscher went to Ft. Hays State in the great state of Kansas, greater to all who live there, greater to all who leave—just ask Roy Williams—but I digress. Megan majored in accounting with a minor in business. I’m not sure what she did with her spare time, but it was likely diverting their books by diverting profits from inflated stocks to pay phony off-shore accounts, thereby minimizing tax liability and maximizing corporate profits. All, at the expense of those poor saps who toiled day in and day out, bearing the burden of the subsidy they so kindly worked for. Megan wisely avoided indictment while acquiring houses and stock options sold at the right time that made her rich beyond Mr. Barber’s standards. Who would have guessed that this honest, upright citizen while Plainview would have turned into the image of corporate greed? What happened to the fierce girl who expropriated those small town values' that raised cows from calves, pigs from piglets, and sheep from, uh, little sheep? In an interview on The Daily Show, Megan summed up her big city callousness when she stated emphatically, “It’s a dog-eat-dog world out there, and I’m nobody’s puppy chow, at least that’s what I told my last husband.” On a somewhat positive ending, Megan has published a line of children’s books entitled Silly, Sally’s Guide to Incredible Obscene Wealth, as well as an instructional guide on how to properly care for a clean and proper lavishness. She invited all the Plainview people to her mutuals, although she regretted inviting Mr. Peter, who left asking in a very loud and boxy manner, “How many Nowitskis does it take to win an NBA championship?”

Retired from basketball, Kafka owns and operates a string of “It’s Out and Outrageous” franchises in Germany.

Martin Hernandez—

Martin Hernandez graduated from Plainview High School with a superior command of English grammar, a greater understanding of computer science, as well as being voted “Most Regular” by both staff and fellow students. Day 2 at 2:45, Martin had a couple of words that would resonate with many, and that phrase more than any other phrase in the English language save that ridiculous “Schmoke in a Pancake” refrain that seemed to incessantly be uttered by half of the senior class that year. “May I go to the bathroom?” I’m not sure, but I believe Martin’s digestive system was as accurate as that atomic clock in Boulder. But where was Martin now? Sure, Martin knew computers and probably could have given Mr. Gates a run for his money, but Martin’s real passion lay in the slight of hand. Magic.

Martin started out with some deceptive card tricks and some fancy shuffling maneuvers, but it wasn’t until after high school that he really took magic seriously. Martin attended all the world-renowned magic academies. Landmark Center, David Copperfield, Siguld and Roy, and even the posthumously inspired Doug Henning Academy, although that one included yoga lessons.

Martin started off small, opening up for comedians in smoky nightclubs and bars, but soon, his slight of hand trickery became known so well that eventually Martin was awarded the prize of all prizes: a show on the Vegas Strip. MartinLive at the Laugh Factory sold out on a daily basis and twice on the weekends. Martin did have a slight mishap with the old “saw the lady in half” routine, but he insisted that the saw was defective, and that one of the blades of the year 2003 certainly did not mean that anyone needed to stand right under it.

Alas, however, some old habits never change. Martin strictly avoids matinees, where he’s on stage at 2:05 p.m. I mean when you gotta go, you gotta go.

Brandon Murdock—

Brandon Murdock never met a decoder he didn’t like. Subjectivity was never one of Brandon’s strong points. A “whisper” from Brandon in the business room could be heard all the way down in the English room. And neat and tidy—well, Brandon had no equal. The only thing more organized than Brandon’s locker was Mr. Papa’s desk. And Brandon Murdock was certainly a man before his time. He revolutionized the four-day school week long before the school board ever adopted it, and even tinkered with the three-day school week. He experimented with a primitive form of dentistry and orthodontics with classmate Megan Fickenscher his classmate, except he recanted the idea. Brandon and I began working together running a cattle ranch for one of those movie stars who buy land in remote areas so that they can have another tax write off. Well, Brandon did a great job, found a wife, and was raising several “little Bradys,” if there could actually be such a thing, while all the time working, researching, and perfecting an idea he had way back in junior high: the car that would run off road. Well, apparently Brandon Murdock had a lot more to offer than was expected, since he was able to come up with an engine that would run on conversation. This was an enormous breakthrough. I mean, that it was a significant achievement, and it needed to be held onto; a cell phone in an automobile again. Don’t ask me about the particulars, because I am still unable to get my answering machine to work properly, and don’t even get me started on my automobiles, but this was truly revolutionary, and it paved the way for a new era of safer, more efficient, and even drive-in dining. Brandon Murdock: conservative, and it paved the way for a new era of safer, more efficient, and even drive-in dining.

Brandon never did a “Bed, Bath, and Beyond” kind of guy and eventually went back to building and remodeling homes; and as a public service to the youth of southwest Colorado, Brandon offers driving classes three nights a week in a community center in Lamar, at 7:00 p.m.-

Kathy Strogies—

Kathy Strogies was a most observant foreign exchange student, soaking up the entire experience like a sponge. When told that she needed to work on not waiting until the last minute to do homework, she responded that “Mr. Papa was a life- long procrastinator, and look where he got it.” Upon a moment of thought and reflection, she realized that, yes, that was true, but what Kathy learned from her host family was that being late was the center of their lives.

With this new sense of urgency, Kathy returned to Germany eager to use every minute as if it were her last. She read voraciously, made the most of her free time, shunned television, and only took the most difficult classes. Kathy studied herself in debate, always debating about her thoroughly and never announcing anything as “crapola” but proving why it was considered as such. Now eventually Kathy went to the finest of law schools, graduating with top honors, and eventually entered German politics. Distinguishing herself as one of the great liberal reformers in German history, Kathy eventually led Germany to prominence in Europe once again, only this time without all the armies, guns, and war.

Yes, you have. Both Cameron and his twin, Jordan, are in the running for the United States Senate, and his President, Chelsea Clinton, who narrowly defeated George W. Bush’s daughters, who apparently didn’t find religion and sobriety as well as their daddy. And all this because she made that conscious choice not to be like her old history teacher and wait till the last minute to get things done. Much like this little thing, and story.

I thanked Kami and Jamie for their help and assured them that their graduation was when they got over to it. And to close out the class of 2003 certainly did tell me—when on the interstate highway of life, and after you have stopped at McDonalds for food and beverage, make sure that if you get sick, you good friend sitting next to you will be willing to hold the cup you spill out into.

Thomas G. Pape

Senior Prophecies 83
In Loving Memory of a True Plainview Hawk.

"He who kisses the joy as it flies,
lives in eternity's sunrise."
William Blake

Keith "Skeeter" Scott
4-17-27
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Skeeter was a bus driver at Plainview for fourteen years. If you were on his bus, you were in for a fun time. The conversation might be about sports and how well you played or possibly a mistake you made. There was also the imaginary rabbit named "Harvey," who always kept the kids entertained. Skeeter loved life, kids, and Plainview. And Plainview loved Skeeter.
It's Been A Trip... Thanks For The Memories
Senior Trash Haul is not only a tradition here at Plainview, but it is also a great way to spend a Saturday (or two) rolling up your sleeves and getting some work done all while bonding with classmates in a unique and memorable way. As you can see, Plainview Seniors are always eager to get their hands dirty so you don’t have to. So, if you would like to have Plainview Seniors (and their sponsors) hauling your trash this spring, make sure you give a senior class member a call; they would love to pick up your trash.
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Mr. Thomas Pape
Plainview Yearbook Advisor
U2's humanitarian lead singer Bono visits Africa and tours Midwestern America to raise awareness and support for African AIDS epidemic relief.

Nuclear crisis arises when North Korean leader Kim Jong Il breaks a 1994 pledge with the United States not to build nuclear weapons.

U.N. inspectors return to Iraq to investigate Saddam Hussein's alleged production of weapons of mass destruction.

A Halloween earthquake in San Giuliano di Puglia, Italy, topples an elementary school, killing dozens of children.

China's one-child-per-family policy creates an imbalanced boy-to-girl ratio that will result in tens of millions of men finding themselves single in the year 2020.

In October, a Moscow theater siege by Chechen rebels ends in a Russian special forces raid that kills the captors and at least 129 hostages.

Thousands die as storms and floods cause billions of dollars in damage in China and many countries across Europe.

Pope John Paul II travels to Toronto's Downsview Park in July to lead the World Youth Day vigil.
The Miss World beauty pageant leaves Nigeria after Islamic fundamentalist protest groups kill more than 100 people.

In Venezuela, an opposition strike demanding President Hugo Chavez's resignation paralyzes the country's oil exports and turns to bloodshed as Chavez supporters retaliate.

The oil tanker Prestige spills more than 5 million gallons of oil off the northwestern coast of Spain before splitting in two and sinking.

Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter receives the Nobel Peace Prize for his decades of work for peace, democracy and human rights worldwide.

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In an effort to eliminate Al-Qaeda, the United States continues its war on terrorism by maintaining a steady military presence in Afghanistan.

Emergency workers in the United States and overseas receive smallpox vaccinations as a preventative measure against bioterrorism.
After being subpoenaed to testify before a Massachusetts grand jury about sex abuse among Catholic priests, embattled Boston Cardinal Bernard Law resigns.

More than 25 states implement the Amber Alert System, which posts information about abducted children on TV and interstate signs, leading to the recovery of dozens of children nationwide.

For weeks in October, alleged snipers John Muhammad and Lee Boyd Malvo terrorize Washington, D.C., Maryland and Virginia, randomly killing 10 people and injuring three others.

The space shuttle Columbia breaks apart on reentry into the Earth’s atmosphere, killing all seven astronauts aboard.

“The crew of the shuttle Columbia did not return safely to Earth, but we can pray they are safely home.”

— President George W. Bush

On July 28, nine Pennsylvania coal miners are rescued after being trapped for three days in a mineshaft flooded with over 70 million gallons of water.

Midterm elections make history as Republicans, the party controlling the White House, gain congressional seats rather than losing them.

Several large corporations inflate profits while top executives make off with millions in accounting scandals that send shock waves through global markets.
In October, Minnesota Senator Paul Wellstone dies in a plane crash along with his wife, daughter and five other victims.

Sparked by summer drought, wildfires—including one set accidentally by a forlorn forest ranger—tear across the western United States.

A weakened economy repeatedly drives down interest rates and delivers retailers their worst holiday shopping season in decades.

President Bush signs the Homeland Security Act, officially creating a Department of Homeland Security dedicated to preventing terrorist attacks.

Throughout 2002, Americans search for ways to recover and rebuild from September 11. On the one-year anniversary, survivors, families and friends gather at all three sites to commemorate the lives lost.

Federal employees from the Transportation Security Administration begin screening all checked baggage and random passengers at airports.

The possibility of the United States waging war against Iraq meets disapproval both at home and abroad.

The U.S. Senate passes a resolution condemning a Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that reciting the Pledge of Allegiance in schools is unconstitutional.
Patients in Florida are the first to receive the VeriChip, a computer chip bearing personal medical data that is injected into the forearm.

Microsoft's Tablet PC enables users to write directly on the screen rather than typing on a keyboard.

The Journal of the American Medical Association reports that children who grow up with pets have a reduced risk of developing common allergies.

Maria de Jesus and Maria Teresa Quiel-Alvarez, 1-year-old Guatemalan twins born joined at the head, are successfully separated after over 22 hours of surgery.

Just before burning up in Jupiter's atmosphere, the Galileo spacecraft captures the closest shots ever taken of Jupiter's moon Io.

El Niño causes snow and ice storms up and down the East Coast, rainstorms in California and a devastating December tornado in Mississippi.

A blanket of pollution over South Asia, dubbed the "Asian Brown Cloud," threatens the lives of millions worldwide with respiratory disease.

Both Italian doctor Severino Antinori and Raelian scientists at Clonaid, who believe aliens created humans, claim to have produced the first cloned human. Neither claim is proven genetically.
General Motors introduces the Hy-wire—a car powered by hydrogen and oxygen that emits heat and water rather than harmful exhaust.

The nation's largest outbreak of the West Nile Virus hits in summer 2002. The disease is spread by migrating birds and transmitted by mosquitoes.

The gun turret of the historic Civil War ironclad USS Monitor is raised from the floor of the Atlantic Ocean.

President Bush orders construction of a system that would defend the United States from ballistic missile attacks by 2004.

The newly discovered hunger hormone ghrelin is found to play a role in obesity by regulating what you eat and how much weight you gain.
The U.S. Education Department reports that average geography scores of the nation’s fourth and eighth graders, while low, have improved from 1994.

Ellula introduces HotAir Speakers, a set of battery-powered, inflatable speakers that are small enough to fit in your pocket when deflated.

Nickelodeon’s “SpongeBob Squarepants” ignites imaginations across the nation and appears on store shelves on everything from slippers to suspenders.

McDonald’s unveils new lower-fat french fries due to the new Healthy Eating Pyramid and in response to many former patrons suing for making them overweight.

1970s peasant shirts are alive and well on runways and in school halls.

The Institute of Medicine announces that maintaining health now requires one hour of exercise daily, doubling the previous recommendation.

Jewelry designers Le Ann Carlson and Denise Gaskill add style to safety with Lauren’s Hope for a Cure medical ID bracelets.

Kmart rejuvenates the Joe Boxer brand with ads featuring the dancing Joe Boxer guy, Vaughn Lowery.
Everyone from hot young movie stars to aging rock stars sports the newest fashion trend, turquoise jewelry.

The cola war puts new flavors to the test, including Dr. Pepper Red Fusion, Pepsi Blue and Vanilla Coke.

Krispy Kreme lovers start a new tradition by celebrating their vows with doughnut wedding cakes.

Several companies introduce flavored water enhanced with vitamins and other nutrients.

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European fashion hits the sidewalks and clubs of the United States with retro-style bowling shoes.

Busy singles try out speed dating, which gives couples several minutes to talk one-on-one before moving to a new partner at the next table.

Mark Gormus/Richmond Times-Dispatch/AP/Wide World Photos

The Mohawk makes a hair-raising comeback after being donned by everyone from U.S. World Cup star Clint Mathis to actor Ryan Phillippe.

Digital innovations include camera phones — cell phones that can transmit still and video images through mobile phone lines.
At the 2002 Academy Awards, Halle Berry and Denzel Washington win Best Actress and Best Actor Oscars. Berry is the first female African-American to win the award.

Spider-Man, starring Tobey Maguire and Kirsten Dunst, spins a $114 million opening weekend box-office record.

With over 6 million viewers, "The Osbournes" is the biggest hit in MTV's 21-year history.

Avid gamers tune in to G4, the first cable TV channel dedicated solely to video games.

Viewers return week after week for a bit of innocent American nostalgia on NBC's hit drama "American Dreams."
Jennifer Aniston wins her first Emmy Award and a Golden Globe for her role as the new mother Rachel Green on NBC's popular comedy "Friends."

Virtual unknowns Nia Vardalos and John Corbett steal America's hearts in the year's surprise smash hit "My Big Fat Greek Wedding."

Peter Jackson receives a Golden Globe Best Director nomination for "The Lord of the Rings: The Two Towers," the year's most anticipated sequel.

Cynical Simon Cowell and company stir up big ratings for Fox's "American Idol" and big record sales for winner Kelly Clarkson, a waitress from Texas.

After a two-year hiatus, Leonardo DiCaprio returns to the big screen with two holiday blockbusters, "Gangs of New York" and "Catch Me If You Can."

"Chicago," a film adaptation of the hit Broadway musical, wins three Golden Globes, including Best Picture: Musical or Comedy, and receives 13 Oscar nominations.

HBO Films' comedy "Real Women Have Curves" promotes positive self-image with the dazzling debut of Latin-American actress America Ferrera.

CBS scores a ratings doubleheader with a pair of forensic investigation dramas, "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation" and "CSI Miami."
Newcomer Norah Jones takes home five Grammys, including Album of the Year, for *Come Away With Me*.

Multi-talented Eminem raps up five Grammy nominations for *The Eminem Show* and big box-office success in *8 Mile*.

Rocker Avril Lavigne and other "anti-Britneys," such as Vanessa Carlton and Michelle Branch, represent the new face of women in music.

Weezer teams up with the Muppets in the video for "Keep Fishin'," the second single from their hit album *Maladroit*.

Pop takes a new direction when former boy band favorites Nick Carter and Justin Timberlake break out with solo albums and tours.

Spanish trio Las Ketchup lands a summer hit with the catchy "Asereje" aka "The Ketchup Song (Hey Hah)."

R&B newcomer Ashanti becomes the first artist since the Beatles to have three singles from a debut album in *Billboard*'s Top 10 at the same time.

In April 2002, Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes, 30, of R&B band TLC, dies in a car crash on a Honduran highway.
In October, legendary hip-hop DJ Jam Master Jay of Run-DMC is shot and killed in a Queens, New York, music studio.


Country crossover star Shania Twain hits No. 1 on the Billboard albums chart with Up!, a double CD with every song in both a pop and country version.

Former Beatles rock legend Paul McCartney brings in $2 million a night, for a total of $103 million, on the year's top-grossing tour.

The Strokes, Spin magazine's 2002 Band of the Year, lead a resurgence of rock 'n' rollers, including The Hives and The Vines.


Alan Jackson's triple-platinum album Drive wins five Country Music Association Awards and is named the USA Today No. 1 country album of 2002.

Nirvana, the famed grunge band's long-awaited greatest hits album, features "You Know You're Right," the last recording Kurt Cobain made before his 1994 suicide.
Dallas Cowboy running back Emmitt Smith breaks Walter Payton's 16,727-yard mark to become the NFL's all-time leading rusher.

The Detroit Red Wings capture the 2002 NHL Stanley Cup over the Cinderella Carolina Hurricanes. It's record ninth cup for retiring coach Scotty Bowman.

Serena and Venus Williams continue to dominate women's tennis, becoming the first sisters to be ranked No. 1 and No. 2 in the world.

The college football season is marred by violent confrontations involving fans, students and even coaches.

MVP Troy Glaus leads the scrappy Anaheim Angels to the 2002 World Series win over Barry Bonds and the San Francisco Giants, four games to three.

SISTERS

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The U.S. men's soccer team advances to the World Cup quarterfinals for the first time, by defeating Mexico 2-0.

The U.S. Postal Service team propels Sports Illustrated magazine's Sportsman of the Year Lance Armstrong to his fourth consecutive Tour de France victory.

The top-rated defense of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers shuts down the No. 1 offense of the Oakland Raiders to win Super Bowl XXXVII 48-21.

LPGA pro Annika Sorenstam, after a record-setting 13-win 2002 season worldwide, accepts an invitation to play the Colonial tournament on the men's 2003 PGA Tour.

The Ohio State Buckeyes beat the heavily favored Miami Hurricanes in double overtime to win the BCS National Championship. The 31-24 victory is the school's first national football title since 1968.

The new sport of SlamBall takes basketball to the extreme on a specially designed court with four trampolines in front of each hoop.

Skateboarding reaches new popularity heights thanks to the high visibility of the X Games and the "Tony Hawk's Pro Skater" video game series.

Surfing welcomes a tidal wave of women to the sport after receiving a Hollywood endorsement in the popular summer flick Blue Crush.
The sports world loses two legends—baseball’s “Splendid Splinter” Ted Williams and Johnny Unitas, one of football’s greatest quarterbacks.

Zacarias Moussaoui, widely believed to be the 20th hijacker, goes on trial for his involvement in the September 11 terrorist attacks.

Martha Stewart faces charges of illegal stock trading after former ImClone president Sam Waksal allegedly tips her off regarding the company’s demise.

In show business since they were 9 months old, Mary-Kate and Ashley Olsen, 16, have amassed a $76 million fortune through their Dualstar Entertainment Group.

Veteran actor Richard Harris, known for his role as Hogwarts wise headmaster Albus Dumbledore, dies of Hodgkin’s disease at age 72.

Mentally challenged Ohio high school senior Jake Porter—who suited up for every practice and game for four years but never played—scores his first touchdown.

California’s Linda and Loretta Sanchez make history as the first sisters ever elected to Congress.

Mississippi Senator Trent Lott is widely criticized for apparent racist remarks he made at Senator Strom Thurmond’s 100th birthday party. In December, Lott resigns as majority leader.