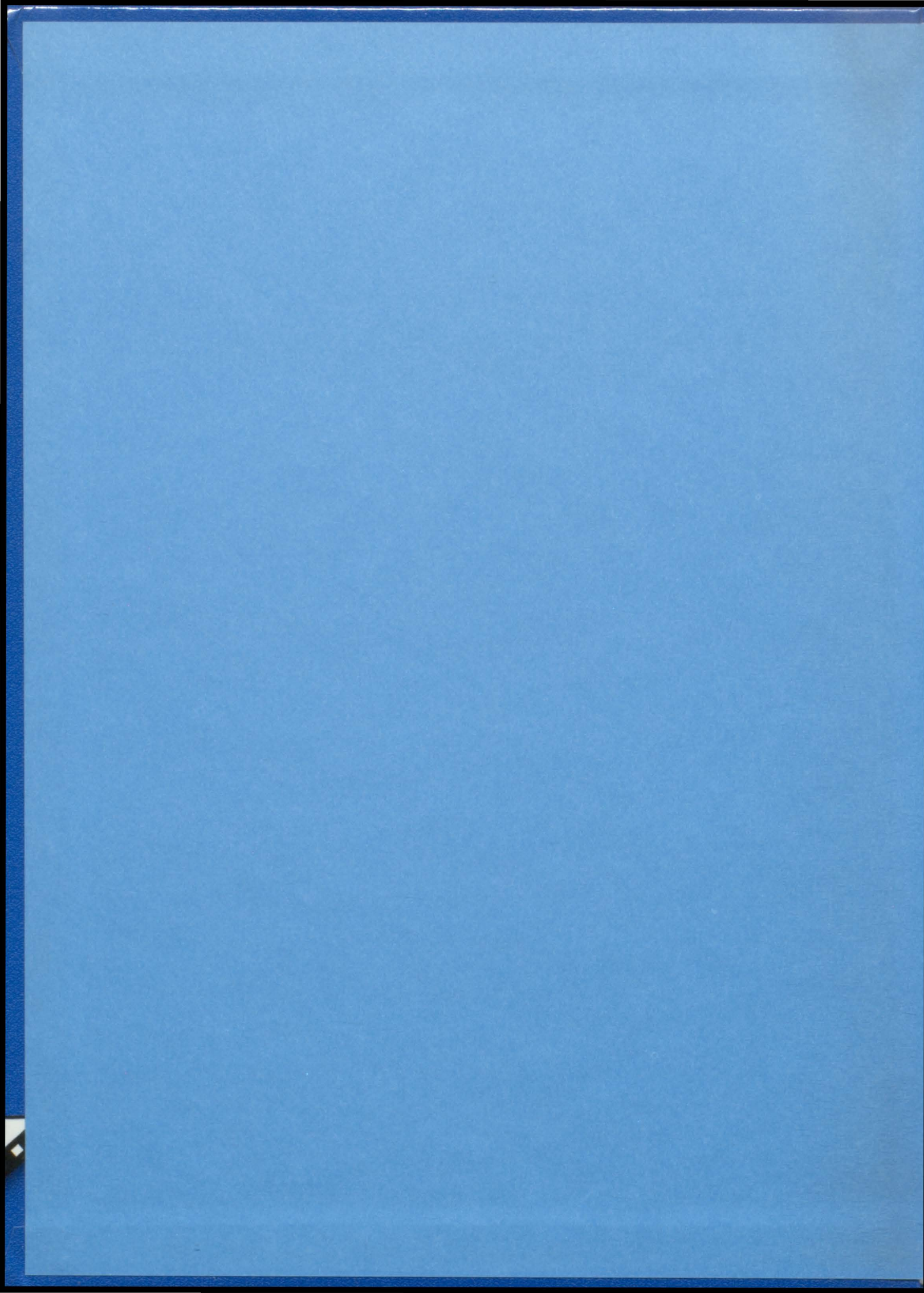


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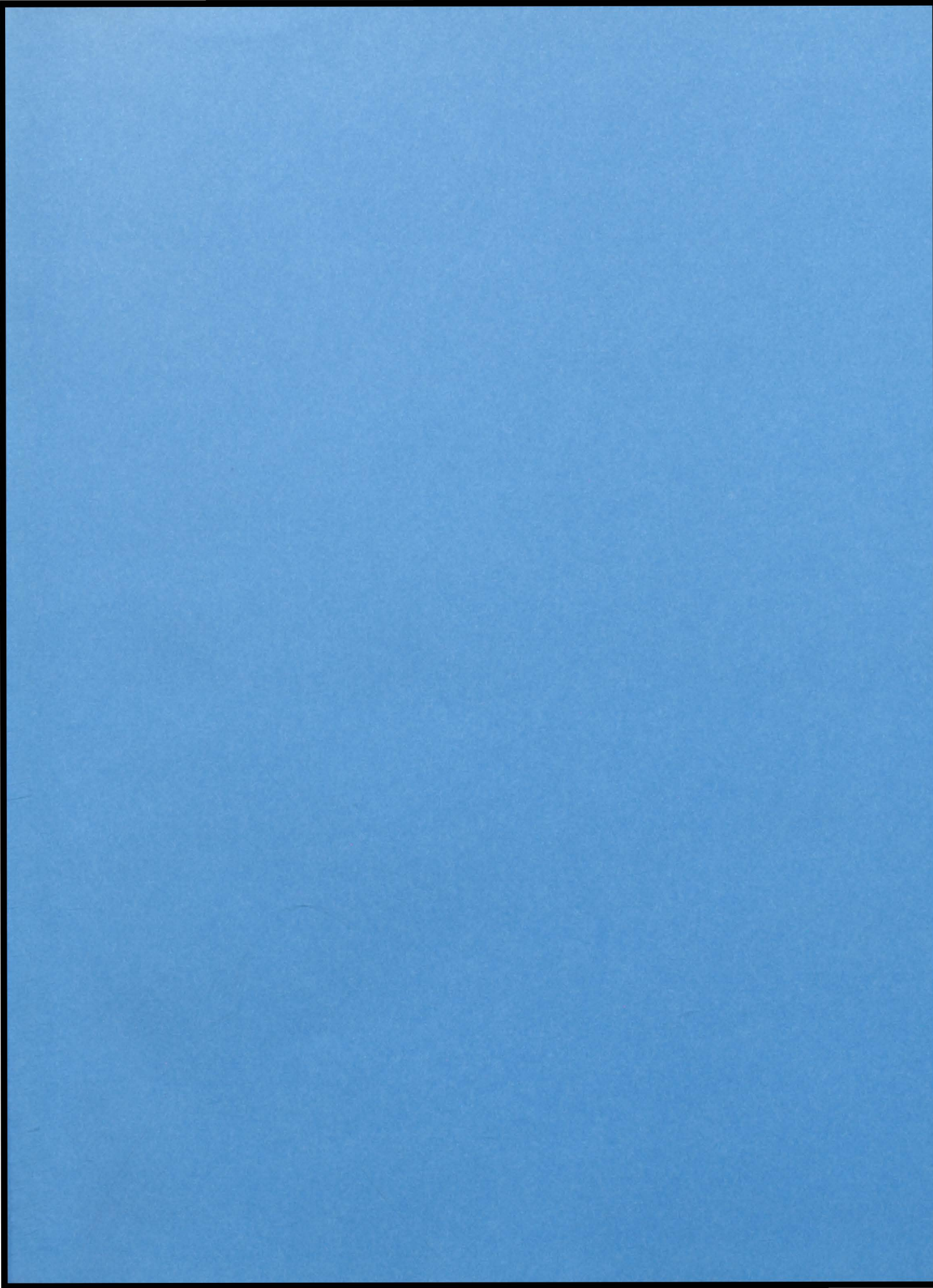


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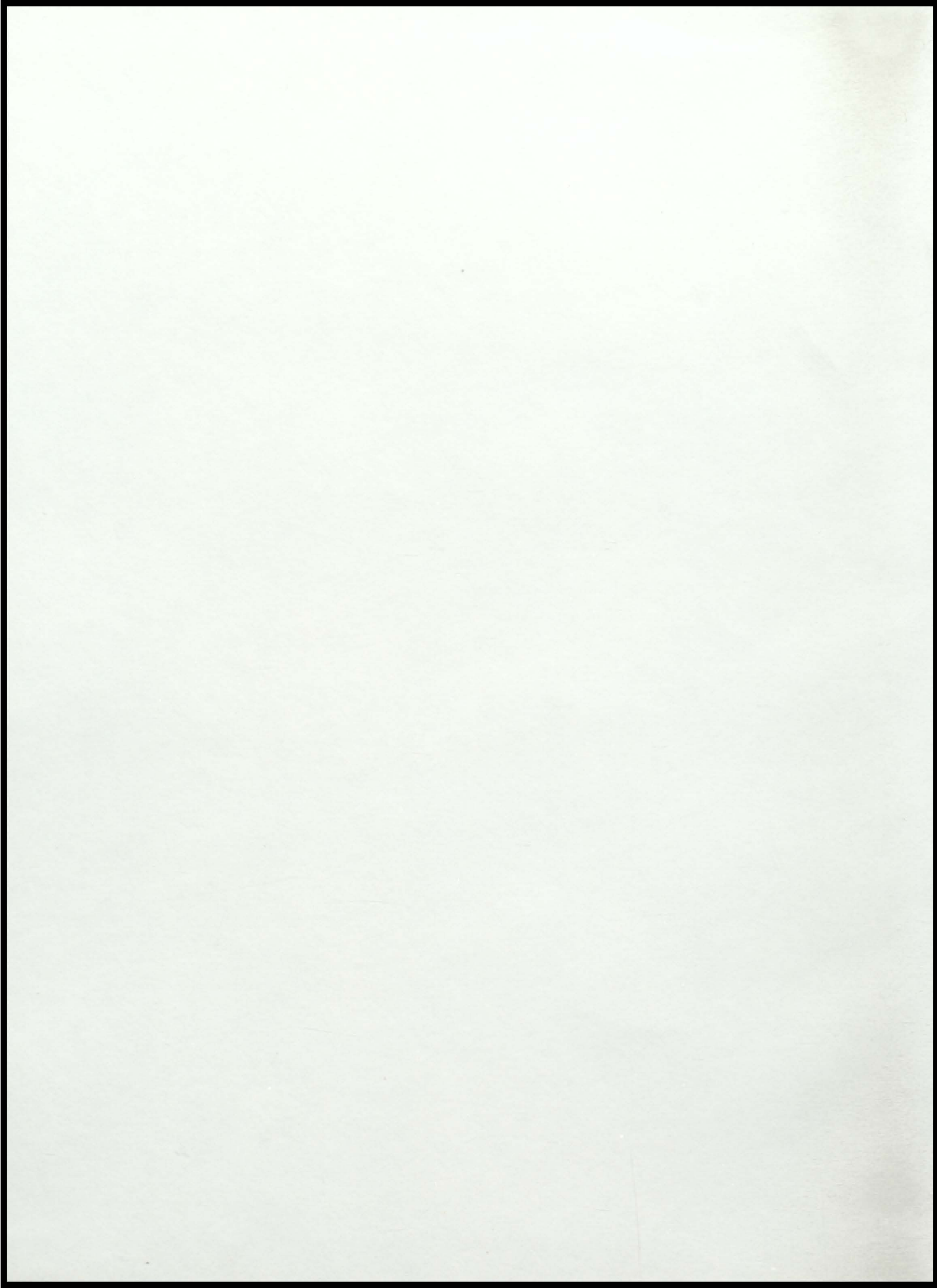














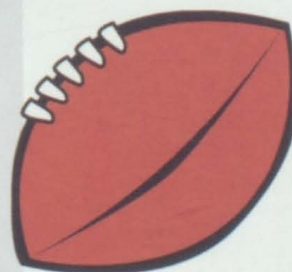
AND NOW OUR FEATURE  
PRESENTATION

# Plainview School

## Where Everyone Knows Your Name



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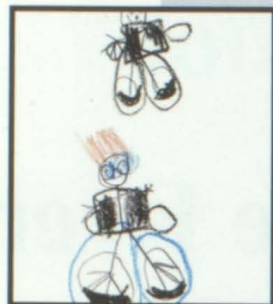


# Where Everyone Knows Your Face

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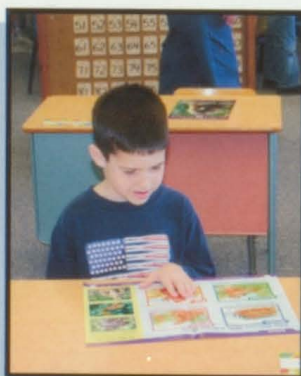
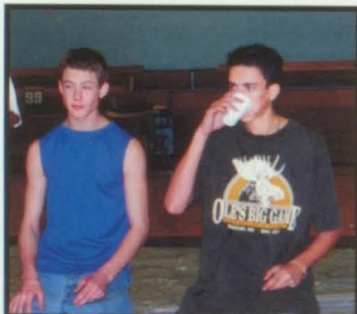
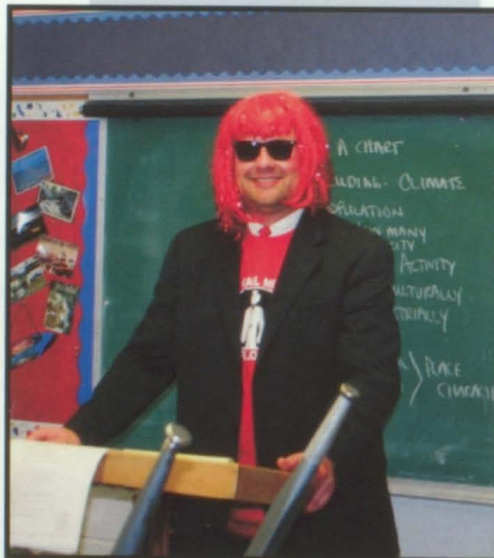
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- 9...Sophomores
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- 11...8th Grade
- 12...7th Grade
- 13...5th and 6th Grades
- 14...3rd and 4th Grades
- 15...1st and 2nd Grades
- 16...Kinder and Pre-K
- 17...School Memories
- 18-19...Faculty and Staff



*Evelyn Kassel*  
*Anne-tiphene Morice*  
*Patricio Lopez*

# CLASS OF 2005

*Janeth Pinto*  
*Vicki Specht*  
*Miranda Weber*



*Janeth Catharine Pinto Gonzalez*



*Miranda Ann Weber*



*Vicki Yvonne Specht*



*Anne-tiphene Morice*



*Patricio Lopez Torres*



*Evelyn Kathryn Kassel*



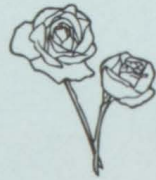


Sponsor:  
Mrs. Sharon Arns



"Those who stand for nothing fall for anything." - Alexander Hamilton

Miranda Weber



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Class of  
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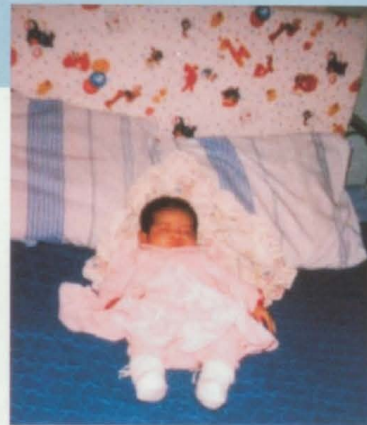




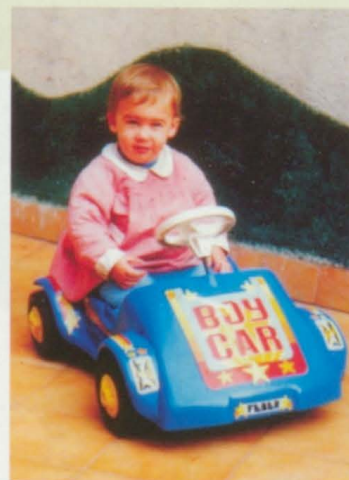
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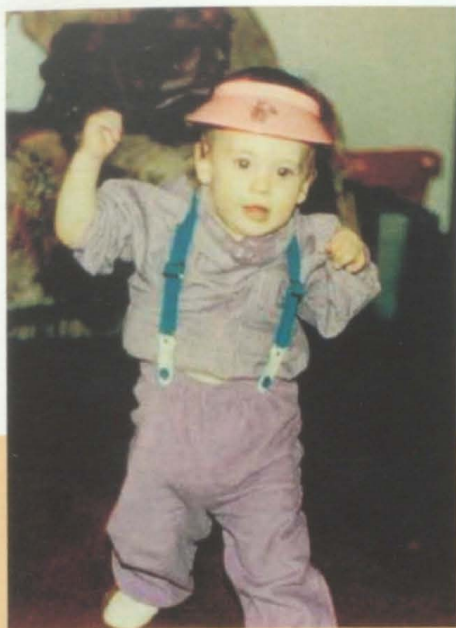


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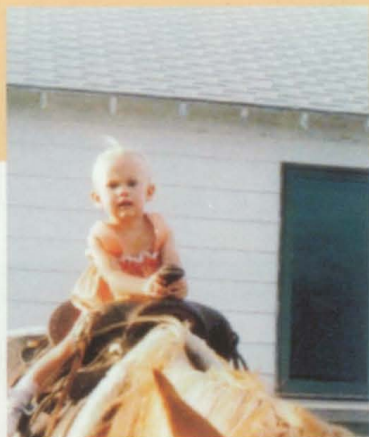


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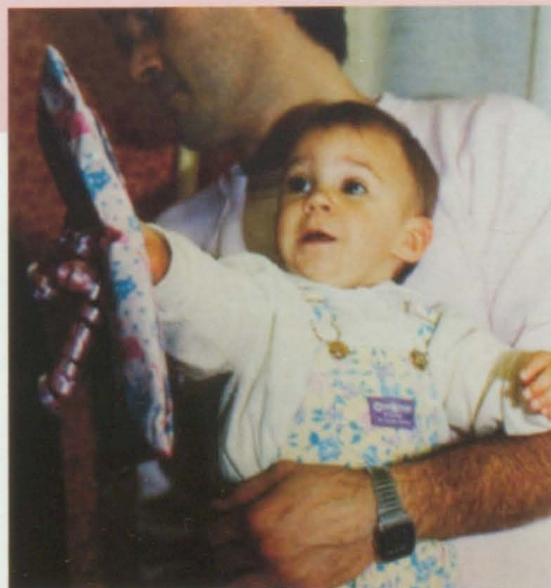




Miranda



Vicki



Anne-tiphene





# EIGHT IS ENOUGH



Cassie Harris



David Kober



Rafael Mendonça



Blaine Shivers



Dick Ruofei  
(Yan)



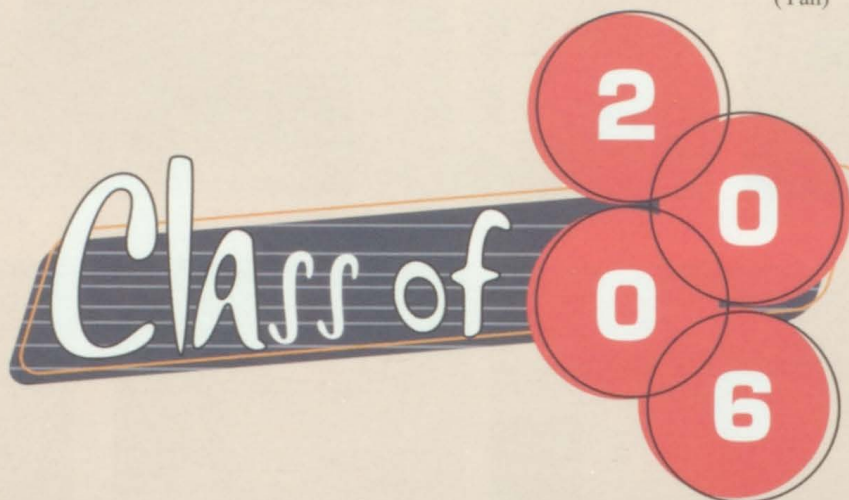
Tony Zilong  
(An)



Jason Freouf



Mrs. Hopkins  
Sponsor



Above: (Back row from left to the front)  
Blaine Shivers, Jason Freouf, Cassie  
Harris, Dick Ruofei Yan, and Tony Zilong  
An display the affection the juniors can  
have for one another.



Top: Exchange students Dick and  
Tony enjoy watching students be  
"creamed" with whipped cream and  
cheetos! They don't realize this a  
usual activity at Plainview. NOT!!!  
Bottom: Three Smurfs invade  
Plainview School during  
homecoming week.



Above: David Kober shows  
off his modeling skills,  
proving that men and fashion  
can, in fact, mix.

The Circles: The  
juniors display their  
many happy faces  
during the year.



Above: Rafael  
Mendonça, a foreign  
exchange student from  
Brazil, gives the camera a  
big smile, although he's  
not quite sure why he has  
to take the picture.





# THE THREE MUSKETEERS



ERIN SPECHT



REBECCA SPECHT



LANA WEBER



Mrs. FICKENSCHER



Above: Erin, Lana, and Becca show off their blue ribbons following the judging at science fair.

Top middle: "Daaalinks, I need my ice latte and I need it NOW!!!!!!!" She may look like a blonde Natasha from "Rocky and Bullwinkle," but actually, it's just Lana Weber displaying her true "goth" side on Mr. Pape's 40th Birthday.

Middle top: Erin Specht shows her disdain for the camaraman (or woman) by giving her "the raspberries" during a volleyball game.

Middle bottom: Becca Specht attempts to look "studious" by borrowing some eyeglasses during journalism class and gaining fourteen I.Q. points in the process. The pleasant smile, however, is her own.

Below left: Rebecca Specht, Lana Weber, Erin Specht, and their sponsor, Mrs. Fickenscher, take their class picture outside in the snow just to show Sheridan Lake and the world that they really are as cold as they look.



Class of  
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Below top: Erin Specht has no idea what is in the meat, but she lets her fellow workers know that the meat is "alive"!

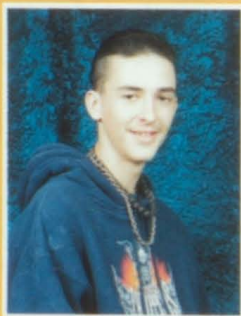
Below middle: Lana Weber gracefully demonstrates what stress will do to "normal" people, as she laughs hysterically for no apparent reason.

Below bottom: Rebecca Specht shows us that it just doesn't get any better than refried beans and Mountain Dew after a hard day of cooking in the sophomore concession stand.





# THE FRESHMAN (II)



Coty Carson



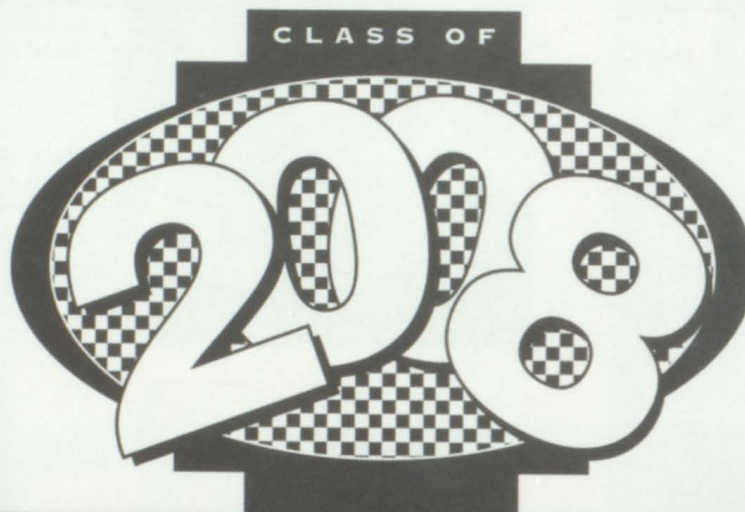
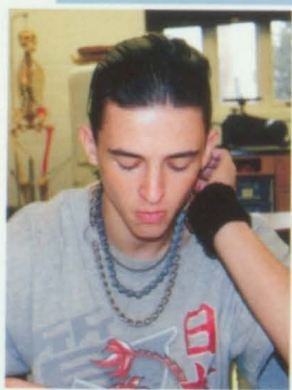
Trey Harris



Jesus Valero



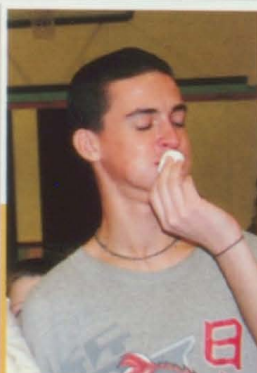
Mrs. Harris  
Sponser



Above: Cupid (a.k.a. Trey Harris) and his right-hand man (Coty Carson) "fly" around Plainview looking for their next "victims."

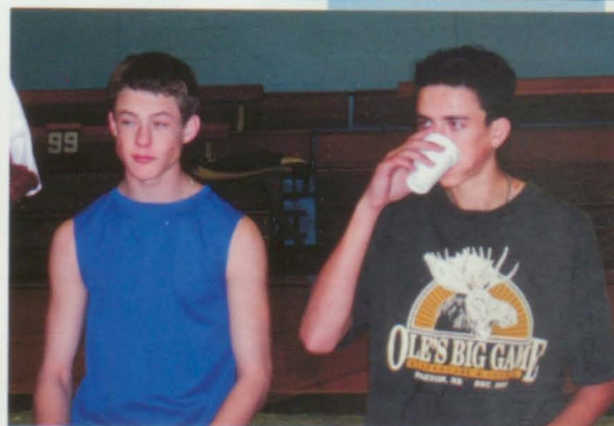
Far Right: Trey Harris and Coty Carson show their dislike for their food and drinks the seniors gave them to "celebrate" initiation.

Right: "Hey! Only two more hours, and we're on lunch break!" Jesus Valero and Mr. Harris work hard during the freshman trash haul.



Right: Trey Harris shows how freshmen trash haul can drain the energy out of such a young person.

Left: "How many more do I have to stuff in my mouth? You know I don't have a mouth as big as a black hole, right?" Coty Carson has another marshmallow shoved in his mouth with the intent of winning "Chubby Bunny" during Homecoming Week.







Morgan Neill



Jason Specht



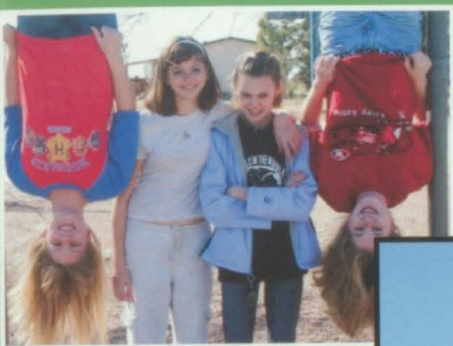
Lauren Weber



Jose Dominguez



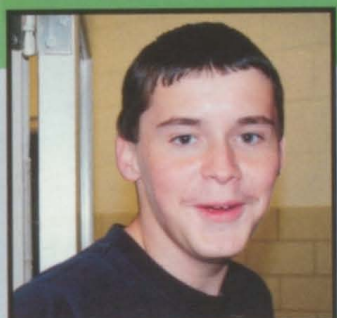
Ruth Fees



John Gardner



Mercy Gardner



Above: John Gardner proves to all unbelievers that he truly does know how to smile!

Below: "Sometime today, please!" Mercy Gardner grudgingly smiles for the camera.



Top Left: Lauren, Mercy, Morgan, and Megan clown around on the monkey bars.  
 Top Middle: The Plainview Eighth Graders pose for a group picture on a beautiful day.  
 Above: Lauren Weber gives the world a sneak peek of her more sweet, angel-like "inner-self."  
 Center: Something must have caught Megan Linder's attention! I hope she doesn't get too distracted and fall off that monkey bar!  
 Left: Jason Specht and Jose Dominguez struggle through an arm wrestling match, trying to figure out who is the stronger of the two.



Megan Linder



# CLASS of

2009



# The Magnificent Seven



**Heather Arns**



**Leonardo Dominguez**



**Shelby Harris**

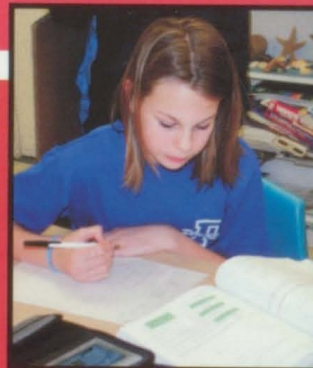
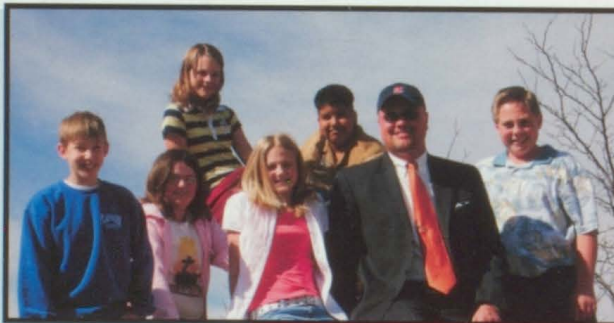
Above: Kirbi Stum, Shelby Harris, Joanna Specht, Heather Arns and Vincent Koeller demonstrate how to think, speak, see, hear and smell no evil. Top Right: Shelby Harris puts in some bleacher time during the extended lunch period viewing the "court proceedings," which usually consists of a spirited rendition of the basketball game, "Knockout." Middle Right: "And the answer is....BORING!" Heather Arns proves to all doubters that Knowledge Bowl really and truly can be extremely tedious! Bottom Right: Joanna Specht works diligently in her academic pursuits as she sits quietly at her "desk/table."



**Vincent Koeller**



**Joanna Specht**



**Kirbi Stum**



**Chelsie Vancleave**



**Thomas Pape**







# 5TH GRADE 6TH GRADE

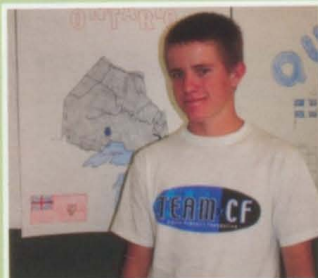
## Where Everybody Knows Their Place



**Mrs. Hopkins**  
**Wesley Ams**  
**Amanda Berggren**  
**Mikayla Schmidt**  
**Kacy Segers**  
**Zach Splitter**  
**Cory Vanderve**

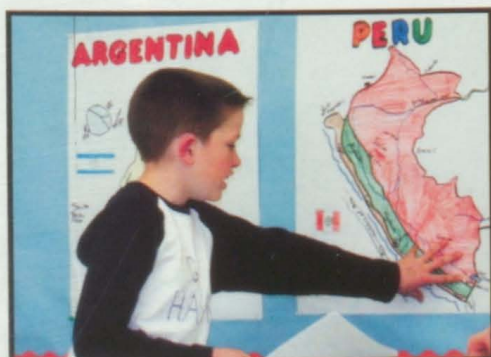


**Natalya Weber**  
**Victor Fehr**  
**Mikayla Schmidt**  
**Rebecca Gomez**  
**Katie Sanders**  
**Paige Specht**



*Far Left: After the presentations about South America, the parents as well as the students get a taste of South American cuisine in an "Latin American Potluck." Upper Middle: Victor Fehr talks about our Canadian friends to the north, giving his classmates plenty of information about this interesting country. Lower Middle: Kacy Segers seems rather relaxed while presenting a paper to the class. Upper Middle: Mikayla Schmidt and Rebecca Gomez are chillin' with their Mountain Dew in the cafeteria, proving once again that there is nothing like a cool Dew with a good friend. Lower Middle: Amanda Berggren is queen for a day and Mikayla Schmidt doesn't want to blow it as they display their Halloween disguises as royalty and a Kleenex box respectively.*

Yes!



*Above: Wesley Ams gives his presentation on Peru for Geography class, showing the class his map and pointing out the various landforms and major cities of the South American country.*



*Above: As usual, the fifth and sixth graders are working hard in Mrs. Hopkins' class.*



*Above: Paige Specht gives her South America presentation. She is like all the fifth and sixth graders who are very excited about their projects, but looking forward to the good South American food afterwards.*



# 3<sup>rd</sup> GRADE

# THE INCREDIBLES

# 4<sup>th</sup> GRADE



Miss Greenfield



Above: Lyaneah Segers smiles widely and brightly for the camera, proving once again, that school can really be fun.



Top right: The third and fourth graders help Miss Greenfield in making Cinnamon Knots. They are all looking forward to eating these good tasting homemade treats. Right: Tyler Harris is posing on the floor during P.E. class.



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Third Graders:  
1 Kristin Arns  
2 Kennadee Oppliger  
3 Matthew Sanders  
4 Lyaneah Segers  
5 Alyssa Splitter  
6 Katelyn Wanderlingh  
Fourth Graders:  
7 Luke Specht  
8 Tyler Harris



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# 1<sup>st</sup> GRADE

## THE FAB FOUR



# 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE



Left Top: Mariah Priddy and Seth Splitter are quite the studious pair as they stand in front of the board, waiting for further instructions from Mrs. Carney.



Left Bottom: Thomas Specht is watching carefully what Levi Sanders writes on the board because he knows that his turn is next. Right: Seth Splitter, Thomas Specht, Levi Sanders, and Mariah Priddy take time out from class to stop and smile for a group picture.



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Levi Sanders



Mrs. Jan Carney



Seth Splitter

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# The Little Rascals



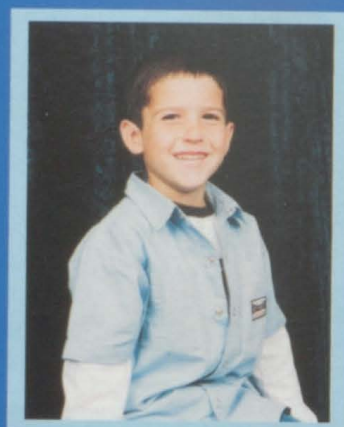
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Jared Wanderlingh



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PRE-K



Mrs. Reinert



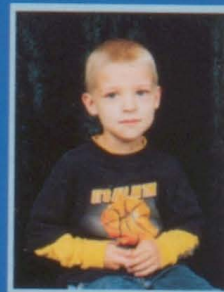
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Abigail Berggren



Lydia Splitter



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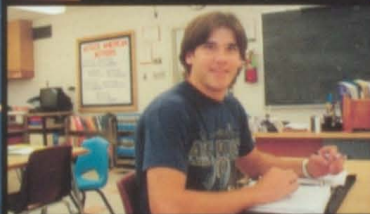
Esperanza  
Rosario





# WORDS

## are not enough





# THE 2004-2005 FACULTY (AND STAFF)

Sharon Arns  
Jan Carney  
Cora Coffman  
Garold Deines  
Zelpha Deines  
Ruth Fees



Katharina Fehr  
Brenda Fickenscher  
Susan Greenfield  
Kim Harris  
Marilyn Hopkins  
Thomas Pape



Phyllis Reinert  
Sharon Scott  
Kathy Specht  
Barb Wanderlingh  
Jay Wilson  
Sharon Wilson



Mr. Jake Befort  
Superintendent

## THE ADMINISTRATION



Mrs. Cheri Hopkins  
Assistant Administrator





Mrs. Harris, while checking in books, smiles for the camera.



The Plainview School Board (Left to Right): President Mike Lening, Bob Weber, Diane Sanders, Jay Specht, and Monte Stum.



Ms. Fees happily gets ready for yet another online Spanish class with instructor Carlos Huerta and of course, the gang from Holly.



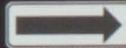
Plainview's faculty and staff working hard.



Mrs. Fickenscher and Mrs. Hopkins sport a big smile for the camera after watching the cheerleaders perform their routine.



Mr. Pape, a.k.a. Dr. Love, greets "the girls" the morning of homecoming week.



Below: Custodian Katharina Fehr works to keep Plainview clean.



Below: Mrs. Fickenscher dispels the myth that the junior high can "drive" one a little crazy every once in a while.

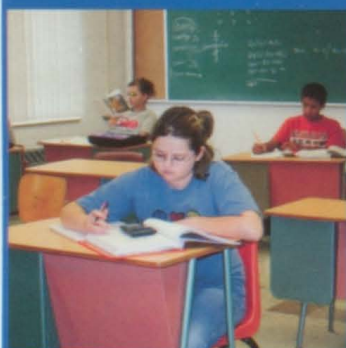


Above: Mr. Pape is beginning to show signs of stress as the school year nears its end.





# Where Everyone Knows the Answer







22-23 ... Science Fair  
 24 ... Science  
 25 ... Home Ec.  
 26-27 ... JH/ HS shop  
 28 ... Journalism  
 29 ... Newspaper  
 30-31 ... JH/ HS Knowledge  
 Bowl



## The Mystery of Science Fair

### Who Goes On?

Vicki Specht



Miranda Weber



Jason Specht



Kirbi Stum



Vincent Koeller



State Science Fair

#### Right:

Third-grader Katelyn Wanderlingh, with her bright smile and her stellar science award, walks back to her seat.

#### Below:

Vicki Specht and Miranda Weber were awarded second place at Regional Science Fair and went onto the State Science Fair in Fort Collins, Colorado for their examination of short-term memory.



#### Above:

Becca Specht, Lana Weber, and Erin Specht celebrate after receiving Honorable Mention in the high school team divisions at Regional Science Fair for their project on "personology."

#### Right:

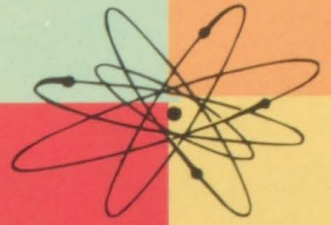
Coty Carson receives his award for a job well done on his science fair project.





Left:

Janeth Pinto, Evelyn Kassel, Cassie Harris, and Erin Specht smile for the camera to show they are having fun at Plainview's Science Fair.

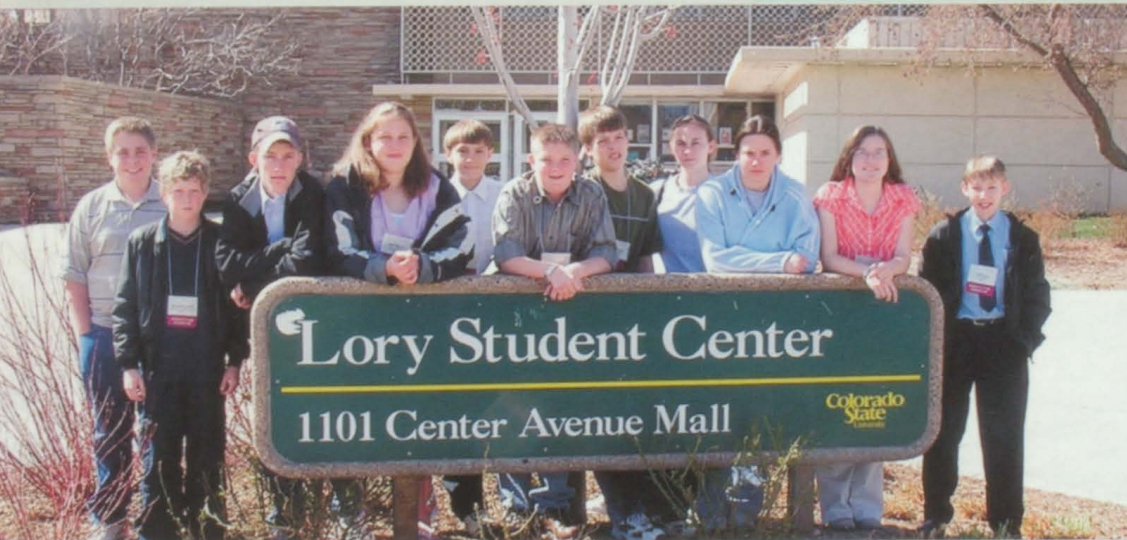


Left:

Science Fair partners, Joanna Specht and Shelby Harris, display their science project and the awards they received.

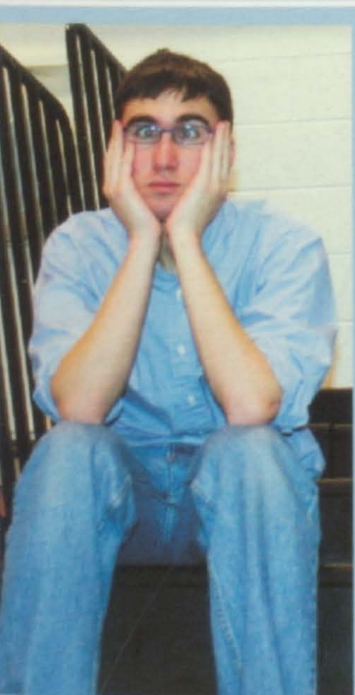
Left:

Vincent Koeller, Jason Specht, Kirbi Stum, Vicki Specht, and Miranda Weber pose for a picture with other Science Fair contestants in front of the Lory Student Center in Fort Collins.



Above:

Kristin Arns smiles with confidence as she is just about ready to give her presentation on her science fair exhibit.



Left:

Patricio Lopez, waiting patiently for his turn to present his science project, stares at the person behind the camera.



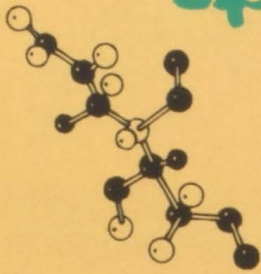
Above:

While receiving his award, Luke Specht and Mrs. Fickenscher shake hands for a job well done.

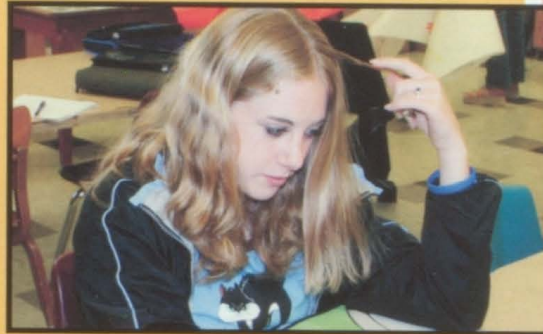




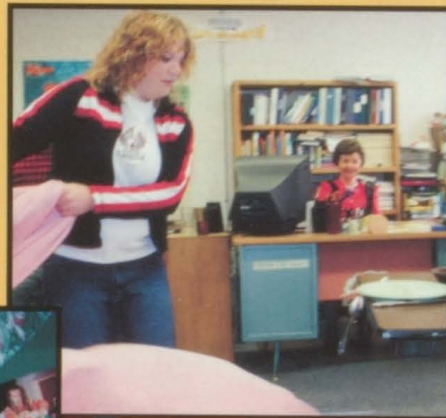
# Where Everyone Can Blow Something Up (Or Cut Something Open)



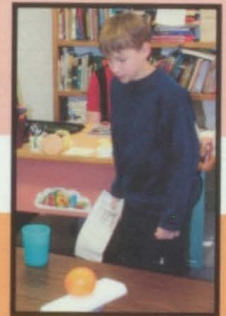
Top Right: As Megan Linder tries to work on her science, she contemplates the effort it would take to remove the gum that she seems to have unknowingly lodged in her hair.  
Bottom Right: "The Great Cassie" performs the world-famous "pull the tablecloth out from underneath the dinnerplate and utensils" trick, giving the rest of the school a "hands-on" demonstration in physics.  
Below: Amanda Berggren smiles before giving her presentation to the judges at the science fair.



Below: Seventh-grader Kirbi Stum attempts the near-impossible when he gets an orange, with two forks protruding from it, to balance! Unfortunately, this task is not as easy as it sounds, so please do not attempt this at home. Good Luck, Kirbi!



Top Far Right: Senior "playwright" Patricio Lopez and his elementary helpers describe, through acting, to the first through tenth grade classes, how photosynthesis works.  
Below: Jason Specht seems quite happy with himself as he has figured out the correct answer on his science homework.



Below: Lydia Splitter is a subject in Cassie Harris' science fair experiment, concentrating very hard on the task at hand.  
Right: Vincent Koeller happily displays one of the awards he received at the regional science fair in Lamar.



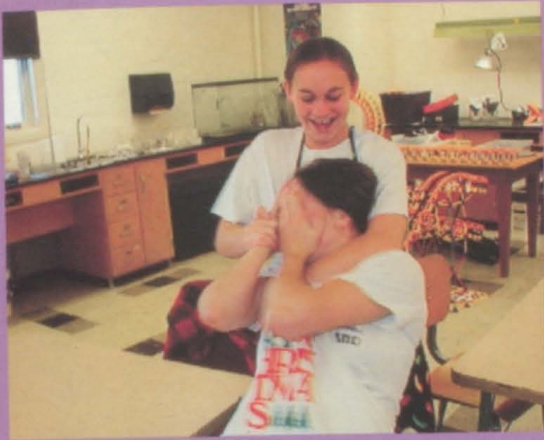
Left: Critically acclaimed "actress" Erin Specht plays Kimmy the Caterpillar in a play put on by the fifth hour biology class.  
Above: Ever-hungry sophomore Becca Specht is attempting to eat the leg of a starfish! (Or is that just a show put on for the camera?)





# The Galloping Gourmets:

## Home Economics



Left: Vicki Specht, in an effort to get an "honest" assessment of her cooking, "encourages" Miranda Weber to PLEASE try the dessert she made—or else!

Right: Vicki Specht, ever so carefully, carries her dish of delicious cuisine while attempting to not let the camera see her face. We now get your dasdardly plan, Vicki!



Left: Vicki Specht and Mrs. Fickenscher work together as a team as they try to make mousse cakes, only this time without the moose.



Right: David Kober's look might suggest that he has gone a little "psycho", although in reality, his cooking is so good that he wants to lick the knife as well as the bowl. On second thought, he's probably just a little "off."



Left: David Kober tastes his yummy dessert first. However, the look on his face is telling us that his soon-to-be dessert isn't as good as it looks.

Right: Miranda Weber, while stirring her mixture of ingredients, thinks to herself, "If I stare long enough, maybe, just maybe, the camera will disappear."



Left: David is ready to take his culinary delight out of the oven and feed it to some unsuspecting innocent bystander—Bon Appetite!



At Left: David and Mrs. Fickenscher, modeling the latest in their "designer" apron line, are ready to hit the kitchen and do some serious cooking.



# THE

## 2004-2005

# HOME IMPROVEMENT

ROAD  
WORK  
AHEAD



Above: Megan Linder, after an hour of hard work, sweeps the saw dust into the dust pan, concluding yet another day in the trenches.

Right: Heather Arns, while wearing her safety goggles, displays the correct appearance while working around potentially dangerous machinery.

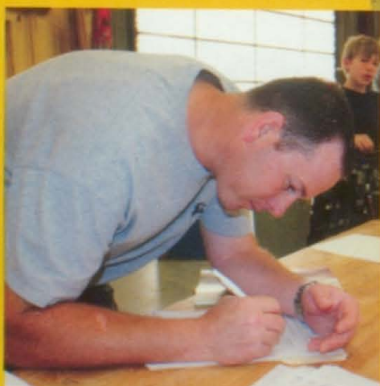


Far Right: Leo Dominguez helps clean the shop by sweeping the floor.  
Middle Right: Kirbi Stum seems more than happy to carry scraps of wood to the ever-growing wood pile.  
Right: On the last day of school, Jason Specht does some serious sweeping in order to help get the shop clean.

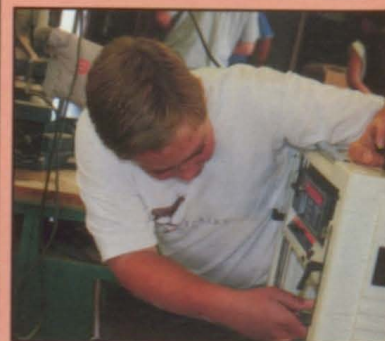


Below Middle: Shelby Harris listens intently as Mr. Wilson explains the proper uses for the shop tools.

Below Left: Joanna Specht, adorned in the latest in "goggle-wear", listens very carefully to Mr. Wilson (also wearing safety goggles--only not as fashionable) while he demonstrates how to safely use the planer.

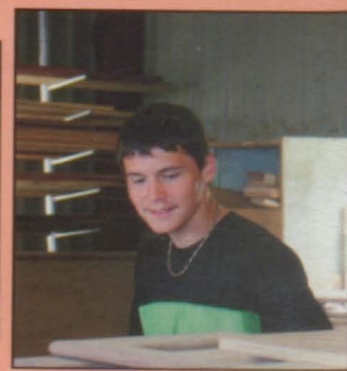


Top Right: Jose Dominguez carries a box of scrap wood to the back of the shop.  
Middle Right: Vincent Koeller "gets down where the work is" as he carefully adjusts the height of the blade on the planer.  
Below Right: John Gardner gives the viewer a rare smile as he walks toward the camera.



Above: Mr. Wilson calculates, on paper, how much wood he needs to saw off.

Right: Lauren Weber gives the "face that launched a thousand brooms." In so doing, Lauren gleefully shows us not only how much fun sweeping the shop can be, but that she can clean more than just a kitchen.







# WHAT TIME IS IT?

# TOOL TIME!



JASON FREOUF



BLAINE SHIVERS

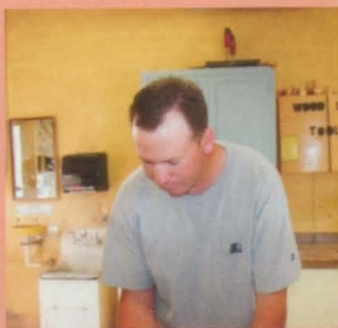


MR. WILSON



Above: Jason Freouf uses the orbital sander while looking cool all at the same time out in the shop. He was quite busy throughout the year, building an awesome chess board, a beautiful entertainment center, and a couple of lathe projects. Jason had a lot of fun this year in shop class; he plans on taking the class again next year.

Below: Mr. Wilson concentrates on every move he makes while he runs a board through the shaper. Mr. Wilson helped both the junior high and high school students with their shop projects this year, instructing three classes during the day. And as you can see, the projects look great!



Above: Jason Freouf displays his "awesome" chessboard he made in shop. Now he needs to build someone who knows how to play the game.



Above: Blaine Shivers stands by his amazing display case which he had built during shop class, and displayed in the cafeteria for all to see during the later part of the year. Here he has it at home and full of items to be displayed. Blaine also completed lathe projects as well. Blaine enjoyed shop class and plans on taking it again his senior year.



# THE JOURNALISM CLASS PRESENTS: LADDER '04-'05

"Smile  
for the  
camera!"

--The journalism  
class of '04-'05

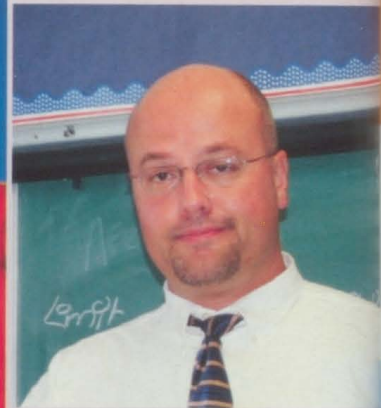


Right: Editor Cassie Harris shows everyone that working can be fun! (Even if the class is with the same teacher you see every other hour!) Left: Staff member Erin Specht demonstrates the journalism motto: "Smile for the camera!" Yes, this is how the staff wants everyone to smile; so start practicing!



Right: The Plainview journalism class proves once again that six heads with hair are better than one head without. Putting their heads together, the yearbook staff, (clockwise from top) Evelyn Kassel, Lana Weber, Erin Specht, Becca Specht, Cassie Harris, and Jane Pinto, had the bright idea of having Mr. Pape take their picture from atop the Hawk's nest. Did it work? You can be the judge.

Below: Lana Weber smiles as she works on the infamous sign.



Above: Journalism sponsor Mr. Pape thinks to himself, "Okay, one more picture. But I am NOT smiling for this one. Take the picture.... anytime now.... I'm not getting any younger.... take the picture.... NOW!!!"



Right: Becca Specht shows how stressful completing a yearbook can be!

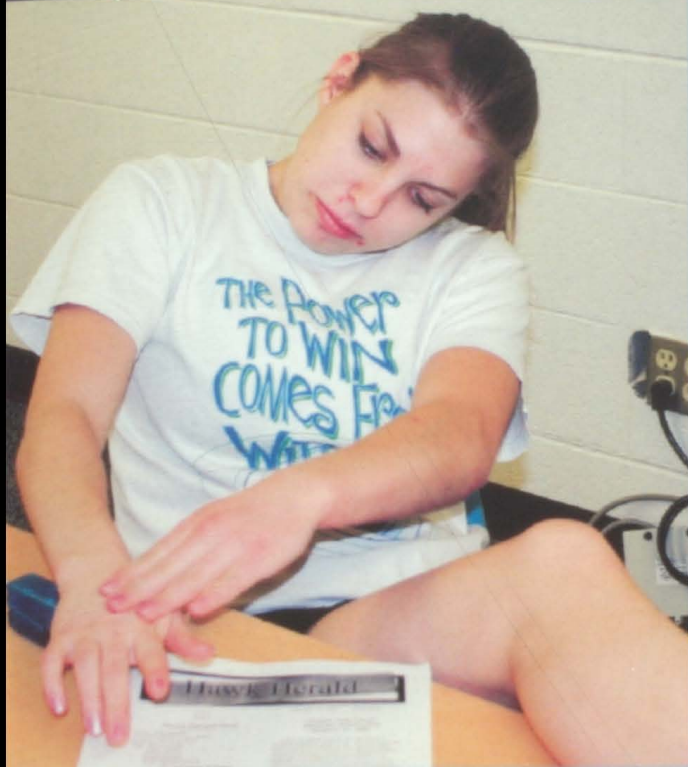
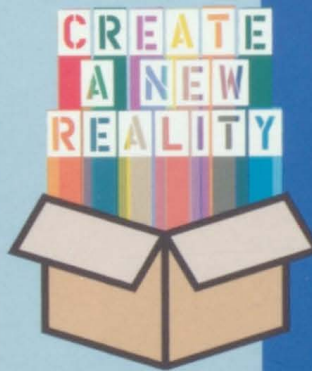
Bottom Right: "No way! I am not doing the sign again... I'll relax until you get back... girls." David Kober demonstrates the staff's love-hate relationship with the weekly sign duty.





# ..NEWS.. PAPER CHASE; WHERE EVERYONE KNOWS THE STORY

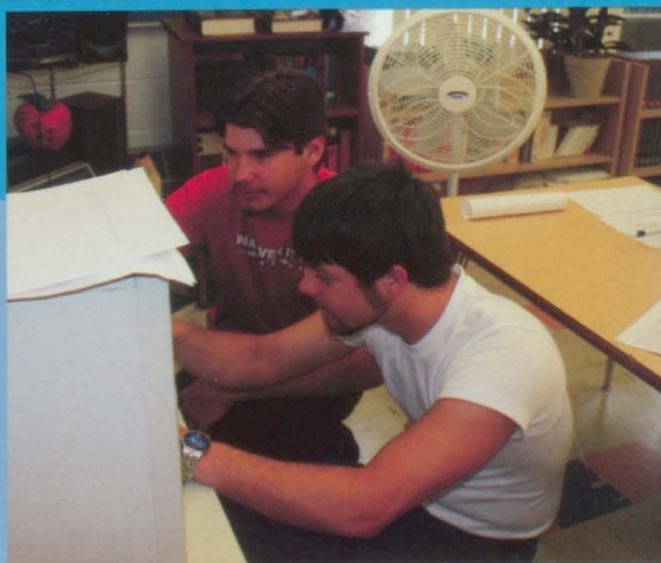
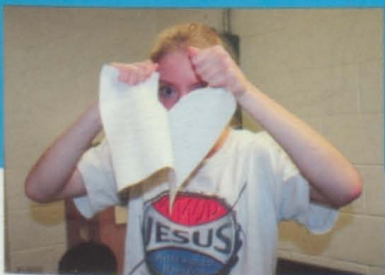
Left: Assistant editor, Lana Weber, demonstrates how the staff of the Plainview newspaper must be comfortable in order to work. Therefore, she props her leg up and continues stapling the "fresh" papers together.



At Right: Ms. Fees and Lana Weber are serenading and giving the evil eye respectively to the copier in hopes that it will make it through yet another printing of the Hawk Herald newspaper.



At Right: Becca Specht gleefully works on the school newspaper--obviously, a deadline is nowhere in sight. Below: Foiled again! An irritated Erin Specht frustratingly tears a page of the newspaper in half as the copier jams yet again.



Top: Editor Erin Specht checks to see if the eighty-fifth copy is done all the while snacking on crackers. So, if you have received a paper with crumbs on it, you know who to blame. Above: Staff members Evelyn Kassel, Anne-tiphene Morice, and Lana Weber stop their work for just a moment to smile for the camera. However, Lana doesn't seem too thrilled because the newspaper needs to be run off in an hour and her article is still not done!! Left Top: Sponsor Ms. Fees thinks to herself, "The copier jammed... again! I am going to break this thing someday! Okay, Mr. Copier, I know you can finish the job... NOW!"





# Junior High Knowledge Bowl: Where Everyone (kind of) Knows The Answer



Heather Arns



Shelby Harris



Vincent  
Koeller



Joanna Specht



Megan Linder



Morgan Neill



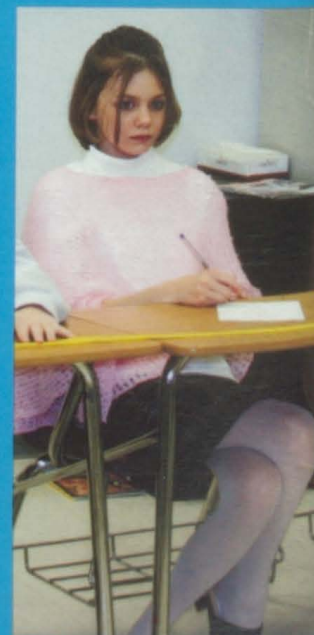
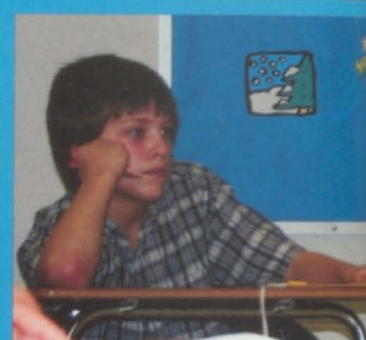
Jason Specht



Lauren Weber



Ms. Fees



Top left: Jason Specht, Megan Linder, Morgan Neill, and Lauren Weber all look intently at the speaker and attempt to translate what she is saying.

Top middle: Kirby Stum thinks to himself "I'll get that next question if it's the last thing I do."

Top right: "I wish I would have paid closer attention to Mr. Pape's lecture yesterday," thinks Jason Specht as he frantically wonders if anyone else knows the answer.

Center: Megan Linder casually veers over to the reader in order to better hear the question.

Middle right: Seventh graders Vincent Koeller, Shelby Harris, Joanna Specht, and Heather Arns all look interested in the question being asked, finally deciding they need to buzz in and take a "wild" guess.

Left: Lauren Weber looks up to the sky for answers, all while thinking "Geez, I'm hungry. When's lunch?"

Bottom right: Morgan Neill looks quite stylish as she sits quietly and waits for the question.



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CASSIE HARRIS



EVELYN KASSEL



ERIN SPECHT



REBECCA SPECHT



LANA WEBER



MIRANDA WEBER



MS. FEES



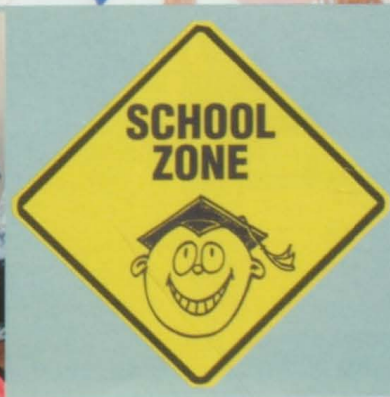
LEFT: ERIN SPECHT THINKS TO HERSELF "IF  $2x + 9y = 45.79$ ...AHH, FORGET IT!"

RIGHT: EVELYN KASSEL KNOWS THAT SHE HAS THE RIGHT ANSWER, BUT DEBATES WHETHER SHE SHOULD BUZZ IN OR NOT.

MIDDLE LEFT: THE 2004-2005 PLAINVIEW KNOWLEDGE BOWL TEAM. FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: EVELYN KASSEL, CASSIE HARRIS, REBECCA SPECHT, MS. FEES, AND MIRANDA WEBER. FRONT ROW: ERIN SPECHT AND LANA WEBER.

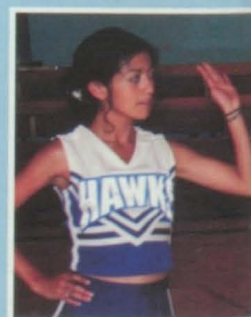
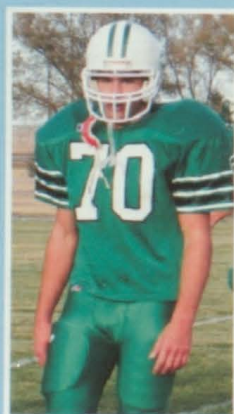
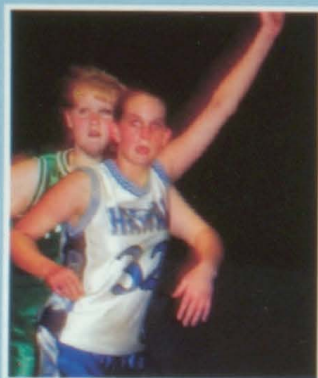
MIDDLE RIGHT: ERIN AND BECCA SPECHT GIVE THE READER THE DREADED, "CAN'T YOU READ A LITTLE BIT FASTER?" LOOK. BOTTOM LEFT: BECCA SPECHT DOES WHAT SHE DOES BEST: EAT. OF COURSE, BURRITOS WERE NEVER HER FAVORITE FOOD, BUT SHE SHOVELS IT IN NONETHELESS.

BOTTOM RIGHT: "THAT'S NOT RIGHT! IT'S A THREE, NOT A TWO." MIRANDA WEBER TELLS HER SISTER, LANA, AS SHE ATTEMPTS TO WRITE DOWN HER PHONE NUMBER TO GIVE THE THE OTHER TEAM'S CAPTAIN, PROVING ONCE AGAIN THAT WINNING ISN'T EVERYTHING WHEN IT COMES TO KNOWLEDGE BOWL.





# Where Everyone Knows Who Plays







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## Junior High Girls

## Volleyball

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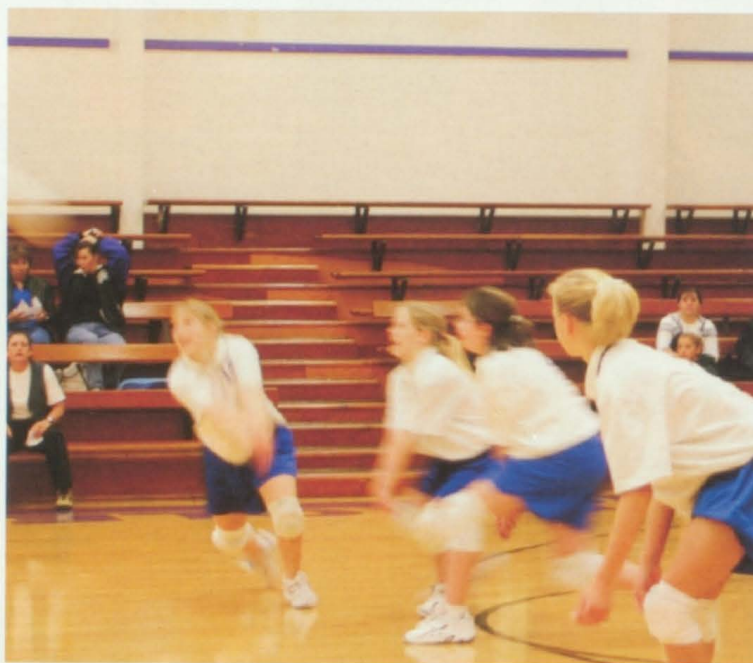
Top middle: Katie Sanders is getting ready to pass the ball to the setter. The Junior High Lady Hawks are all in a ready position like Coach Fickenscher has taught them.

Top left: Natalya Weber and Megan Linder know just what to do as they attempt to play the ball.

### 2004 Season JH Girls

Holly  
Granada  
Bethune  
Eads  
Kit Carson  
Campo  
Karval  
Cheyenne Wells  
Kit Carson  
Cheyenne Wells

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W  
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Above: Lauren Weber gives her all to get to the ball. Natalya Weber, Heather Arns, and Shelby Harris are prepared to help her out.

Above: Shelby Harris, as the setter, always knows where the ball is.



Above: Megan Linder steps towards the ball and sets it for her Hawk teammates.



Above: Paige Specht concentrates on serving the ball.  
Below: Natalya Weber spikes the ball over the net.



Back Row (standing): Mrs. Fickenscher, Paige Specht, Lauren Weber, and Megan Linder.  
Middle Row (kneeling): Heather Arns, Natalya Weber, and Katie Sanders.  
Front Row (sitting): Joanna Specht and Shelby Harris.





Top Left: Coach Fickenscher gives the team instructions, as fifth-grader Kacy Segers and seventh-grader Kirby Stum seem somewhat "distracted." "Everybody, team on three: One, two, three, TEAM!!!"

Top Middle: Seventh-grader Vincent Koeller gives all his energy in serving the ball.

Top Right: Fifth-graders Amanda Berggren and Mikayla Schmidt get ready to receive the ball. What would the boys do without them?



## 2004 Season JH Boys

Holly	L
Granada	W
Bethune	L
Eads	L
Cheyenne	L
Wells	L

Above Left: Kirby Stum calls out that this is his play to make in getting the ball over the net. Above Right: Vincent Koeller and Victor Fehr both call for the ball. The question is, who will answer that call?



Above: Eight-grader Jason Specht directs his team on the court.

Above: Zach Splitter throws the ball in the air, waits a moment and then... serves the ball over the net.



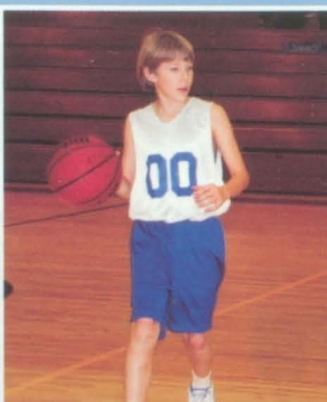
Above: Vincent runs after the ball and sets it. Hopefully, with a little luck, another team member will be there to spike the ball.

The 2004 Junior Varsity Junior High Volleyball Team. Back Row: Victor Fehr, Jason Specht, Vincent Koeller, and Coach Fickenscher. Middle Row: Kirby Stum, Wesley Arns, Leonardo Dominguez, Zach Splitter, and Kacy Segers. Kneeling: Mikayla Schmidt, Amanda Berggren, and Rebecca Gomez.





# Slam Dunk: Junior High Boys Basketball



Left: Jason Specht takes his time shooting free throws against Eads.



Right: Vincent Koeller shows good form in taking a shot against Granada as his defender looks on from behind.



Above: Coach Wilson calmly gives Jose Dominguez a quick explanation of the play that needs to be run, makes sure those instructions are understood, and then sends him back out on the court to execute it properly.

Above right: Victor Fehr drives toward the basket, all the while looking for a teammate for a quick bounce pass.

Top right: Kirbi Stum (#00) brings the ball up the court and tells the boys to set up the infamous "Play #1". The junior high team was a work in progress during Coach Wilson's first year with them, but there was a great deal of improvement by season's end.

## The 2004-2005 Junior High Boys Basketball Record

	Us	Them
Hi Plains	10	18
Bethune	13	37
C. Wells	12	16
Eads	18	39
Granada	14	22
Campo	13	36
Pritchett	15	43
Eads	8	39
Campo	33	46
Karval	22	66



Above: Kirbi Stum rescues the ball from going out of bounds while a defender gives him a friendly push. Left: Leo Dominguez scans the court for a teammate to pass the ball to. Below: Vincent Koeller looks to pass the ball to Jason Specht at the K of C Tourney.



The 2004-2005 Plainview Junior High Hawks Boys Basketball Team.  
(From Left to Right): (Back Row Standing) Jose Dominguez, Vincent Koeller, John Gardner, Jason Specht, Coach Wilson, and Kacy Segers. (Front Row Kneeling, Left to Right): Zach Splitter, Leonardo Dominguez, and Kirbi Stum.



# Hang Time:

## Junior High Girls Basketball



### The 2004-2005 Plainview Junior High Girls Basketball Record

	Us	Them
Hi Plains	15	19
Bethune	23	12
Eads "B"	15	10
C. Wells	10	32
Eads	8	35
Granada	14	34
Campo	13	39
Pritchett	13	11
K.C.	14	12
Eads "A"	12	34
Karval	26 (OT)	20
Campo	23	40
Karval	32	14



Above: Lauren Weber looks to shoot the ball. At Right: A tired Katie Sanders heads to the sidelines.



Above Top: Shelby Harris drives the ball against a tough Granada defense. Above: Coach Wilson rallies the troops during a timeout.



Far Left: Coach Wilson gives some last-minute "sideline instruction" to Joanna Specht just before sending her back out onto the court.

Middle Left: Getting down on the floor and scrambling for the ball against Granada are Lauren Weber and Shelby Harris. Way to hustle, girls! At Left: Paige Specht looks to pass the ball inside against the Eads defense.



Above: Joanna Specht (No. 5) and Megan Linder (No. 23) get set up for a zone defense, waiting for the rest of the team to join them.



At Left: The Third Place District Tournament Junior High Plainview Lady Hawks following their win against Karval: (Back Row, From Left to Right) Lauren Weber, Megan Linder, Joanna Specht, Coach Wilson, Paige Specht, and Shelby Harris. Front Row (kneeling): Katie Sanders, Heather Arns, and Natalya Weber.

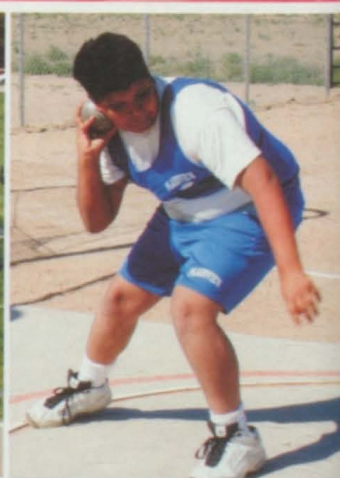


# Junior High Boys TRACK & FIELD

Right: Jason Specht gets in a funny position while attempting the second leg of what he hopes to be his best triple jump.

Far Right: Kirbi Stum never gives up on a race, and much like the Energizer Bunny, he keeps running and running...

Below: Vincent Koeller's hand shows the direction in which he will throw the shot. He concentrates on the task at hand, collects all his energy, and lets the ball go.



Above Left: Wesley Arns gives everything he has in the one hundred meters. He knows that he can beat the other kids as long as he hustles.

Above Right: Leonardo Dominguez concentrates at the shot put. He needs to utilize all his strength in order to get the shot as far as he can.

Far Above: Jason Specht attempts to "flop" over the bar at the high jump, emulating the great Mr. Fosberry's famous form.

Above: The 2005 Plainview Junior High Boys Track Team. From left to right: Coach Fickenschner, Leonardo Dominguez, Kacy Segers, Kirbi Stum, Jason Specht, Vincent Koeller, and Jose Dominguez.





## Junior High Girls

# Track



Left: Paige Specht sprints through the finish line.

Right: As part of the relay team, sixth-grader Katie Sanders has only a little bit farther to go before she can hand the baton off to eighth-grader Megan Linder.

Below: Shelby Harris "takes a flying leap," jumping as far as she can during the long jump competition. Below to the left: Joanna Specht gives it everything she has to get over the high jump bar.

GO TEAM



Above: In another example of true "Hawk Spirit," Mikayla Schmidt participates in the seventh grade relay, even though she is only a fifth-grader. Above: Heather Arns pushes herself in the 100 meters, working hard to reach the finish line. Left: Amanda Berggren gets ready to release the shot-put.



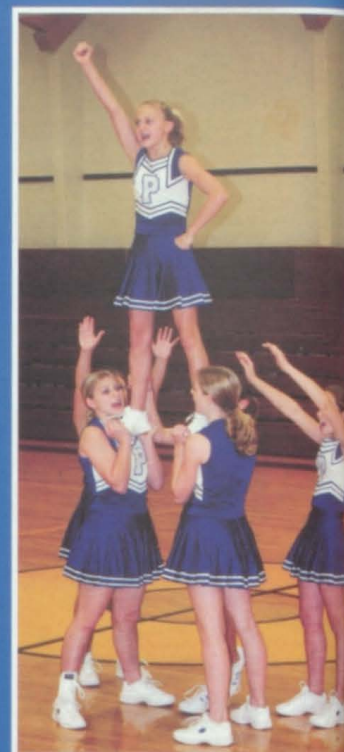
Above: The 2005 Plainview Junior High Girls Track Team. In the tree: Lauren Weber and Joanna Specht. Standing from left to right: Megan Linder, Katie Sanders, Heather Arns, Shelby Harris, Paige Secht, Natalya Weber, and Coach Fickenscher. Sitting: Amanda Berggren and Mikayla Schmidt. At Left: Megan Linder is far above the ground on her triple jump attempt.



## Junior High

# Cheerleading

Where Everyone Knows the Moves

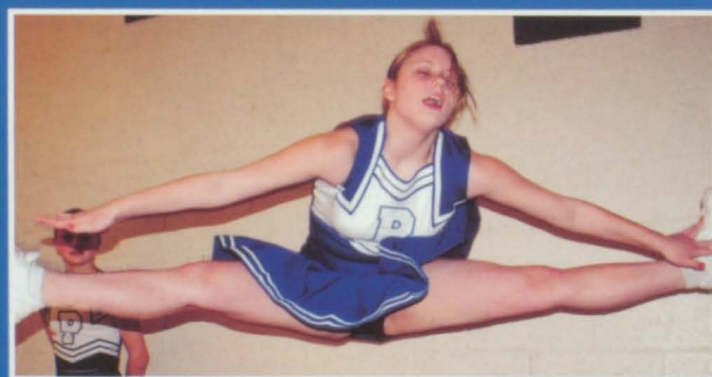


Top Left: Sponsor Ruth Fees comments on the 2004-05 season: "JH cheerleading- crazy ride filled with pleasant surprises. These girls enjoyed every minute, challenged me, kept me on my toes- I loved it!"

Top Right: The Junior High Cheerleaders finish their routine with a stunt. The team gets the crowd pumped up. "P-H-S, go Hawks,..."

Top Middle: Shelby Harris soars as high as she can during a timeout. Right: The Junior High Cheerleaders perform a cheer with the Hawk's help. Right to left: Lauren Weber in the Hawk Costume, Paige Specht, Megan Linder, Katie Sanders, Joanna Specht, and Shelby Harris.

Below: Lauren Weber executes a toe touch, showing her athletic ability that has earned her all-star honors at cheerleading camp the last two years.



Above: Megan Linder, Shelby Harris, Katie Sanders, Paige Specht, and Joanna Specht are keeping the Plainview Spirit up. They cheer as loud as they can: "P ... J ... H ... PJH."

Left: Megan Linder exclaims during a break in the action, that "it's timeout, so shout it out, P-J-H!" The Plainview Hawk, a role eagerly played by several students during the course of the year, helps Megan in her effort to get the crowd excited and the players pumped up.

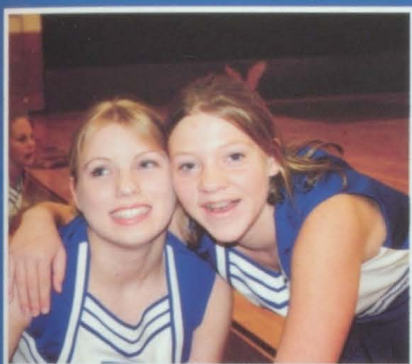






## GO TEAM

Top Left: The Junior High Cheerleading Team smiles for the camera. Left to right: Joanna Specht, Shelby Harris, Lauren Weber, Megan Linder, Katie Sanders, and Paige Specht. Top Right: "Blue for the blue for the blue blue, blue, blue, white for the white for the white, white, white,... hey let's fight." The Cheerleaders doing their job and getting the crowd on their feet.



Above: Lauren Weber and Paige Specht show their team spirit prior to the game. Below: Joanna Specht shows off her ability to jump for the picture-taker. "PJH, Go Hawks!!!"



The 2004-2005 Junior High Cheerleading Squad.  
Standing: Joanna Specht, Megan Linder, Lauren Weber, and sponsor Miss Fees.  
Kneeling: Paige Specht and Katie Sanders.  
Sitting: Shelby Harris.



Far Left: Seventh-grader Shelby Harris trusts her team to catch her after the stunt. Left: Eighth-grader Lauren Weber pumps the crowd up: "One, we are the Hawks, two, a little bit louder three, we still can't hear you four and more and more and one,...."



# GO TEAM

At Right: Zach Splitter, Coach Wilson, and Coach Trahern of Kit Carson look on as a Plainview Lady Hawk ascends over the high jump bar.

At Right: Third-grader Kristin Arns seems more than determined to leave her competition behind as she heads down the final turn on the track.

Far Right: Second-grader Mariah Priddy looks out over the field, taking in the sun and the breeze on what is a beautiful Colorado spring day.



Above Right: Third-grader Matthew Sanders gives it everything he has on his way to the finish line.

Above: Down the stretch, kindergartener Jared Wanderlingh bears down hard on his competitor in an effort to come out on top.

At Right: Fifth-grader Kacy Segers seems to be looking over his shoulder for the competition behind him in order to adjust his strategy for the remainder of the race.



At Right: Among the students taking a break during competition are: (standing from left) Natalya Weber, Kristin and Wesley Arns, Katelyn Wanderlingh, Kennadee Oppliger, (sitting from left) Tyler Harris, Matthew Sanders, Mikayla Schmidt, Zach Splitter, and Amanda Berggren.



At Right: Kindergartener Ryan Koeller (top) looks to his left at the runners gaining on him: a Kit Carson youngster and fellow Hawk Stephen Wilson.





## Elementary Field Day 2005

# Cool Runnings (and Jumpings, and Leapings...)



Above: Kindergartener Stephen Wilson jumps over his shadow at Elementary Field Day 2005.



Above: Third-grader Alyssa Splitter, braids and all, becomes airborne during competition.



Above: Fifth-grader Mikayla Schmidt and her hair seem to be in flight on field day.



Above: Third-grader Kennadee Oppliger completes a successful long jump.



Above: Fourth-grader Luke Specht happily takes a break from the action trackside as he waits for the next event.



At Left: Kinders Levi Sanders (left) and Seth Splitter (right) run as hard as they can towards the finish line. The Elementary Field Day was held in Cheyenne Wells this year, enabling Plainview and Kit Carson to utilize the Tigers' new facilities in the spirit of cooperation among area schools.

At Left: Fifth-grader Natalya Weber shows a sprinter's form as she starts her race. Natalya won blue first-place ribbons in every event she participated in that day. Way to go, Natalie!





Granada

Bobcats

Plainview

Hawks



*Above:*

Blaine Shivers, before being sent back into the game, listens intently to his coach's orders.

# REMEMBER THE BOBCATS



*Above:*

The Granada Bobcats, with Plainview Hawk Blaine Shivers lined up towards the opposite sideline, begin the game with an amazing kickoff to the other team.

## The 2004 Bobcat Record

	Us	Them
Hugo	14	56
Walsh	34	30
McClave	52	12
Cheyenne	0	46
Wells	36	24
Springfield	20	50
Holly	34	26
Wiley	27	18
Eads	50	36
Longmont	13	47
Merino		



*Above:*

Blaine Shivers holds up his hands in confusion in order to bring his disbelief to the referee's attention by saying, "What did you just call?"



*Above:*

Blaine Shivers gets an "picture-perfect" tackle by chasing down his Longmont Christian opponent at the state playoff game, held in Longmont.

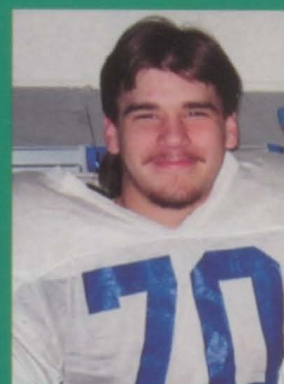


## The Hawks as Bobcats



"I didn't have much of a football season do to my injured back. In the two games I played, I made four touchdowns. Even though I wasn't able to play, I went to the games and was involved with the coaches. My hope is that I will be able to play next year."

-Jason Freouf-



"This season we had a small and young team. We went into the season strong and showed our opponents that playing the Granada Bobcats wasn't going to be easy. We were able to make it into the play-offs, but unfortunately, we lost the second-round game against Merino. I'm looking forward for next season."

-Blaine Shivers-







**Left:**

Blaine Shivers relentlessly runs down the quarterback in his pursuit of the ball and a QB sack.

**Below:**

Mr. Befort, Mrs. Hopkins, and Mr. Pape give their support and show their "true colors" by going to every game. These three teachers are one of the many fan groups from Plainview who show up to support Granada football.



**Above:**

The Granada Bobcats football team walks onto the field, showing no fear, ready to begin the first quarter of the game.



**Below:**

Blaine Shivers takes on two opponents while his teammates are freed up to rush the quarterback in a playoff game against Longmont.



**Above:**

Blaine, during one of his breaks on the sidelines, takes time to glance at the camera.



**Above:**

Blaine Shivers shows great effort and tackles his Longmont opponent, getting a sack, and forcing a fumble in the process.

**Below:**

Ryan Pelton, quarterback for the Granada Bobcats, is able to see over his opponents as well as a great opportunity to pass the ball into the end zone...TOUCHDOWN!

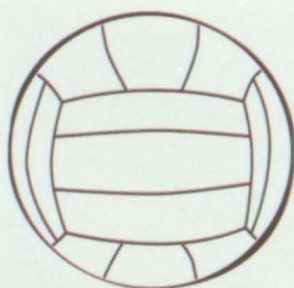




# Volleyball



Coach Wilson on the 2004 Season:  
"It was a season full of highs and lows. My team showed much improvement from the younger players which is promising for the future. We look forward to 2005-2006."



Top Right: Erin jumps to spike the ball over the net.

Top Left: Miranda dives, providing a save in a crucial situation.

Bottom Right: Vicki jumps to strategically place the ball where the opponent can't reach it. Middle Right: Cassie, Miranda, Lana, and Erin are down in position so that they can get the ball in case the other team spikes it.

Bottom Left: Evelyn gives all her energy to serving the ball.



## Plainview Lady Hawks 2004 Season

Campo	W
Brewster	L
Weskan	L
Jennings	W
Cheyenne Wells	W
Mc Clave	L
Bethune	W
Deerfield	L
Granada	L
Stanton	W
Syracuse	W
Granada	W
Cheraw	L
Kit Carson	L
Campo	W
Karval	L
Holly	L
Eads	L
Kit Carson	L

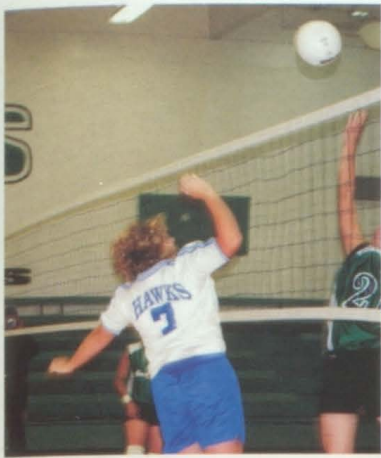
Overall Record: 8 W , 11 L



Standing: Evelyn Kassel, Vicki Specht, Cassie Harris, Coach Wilson, Miranda Weber, and Anne-tiphene Morice

Sitting: Lana Weber, Erin Specht, and Becca Specht





Above: Cassie jumps and spikes the ball. Our team works hard in a rare victory over Granada. Top Right: The team takes a short break. Coach uses this time to tell his team what to do better, while everybody sits down on the bench and listens carefully.



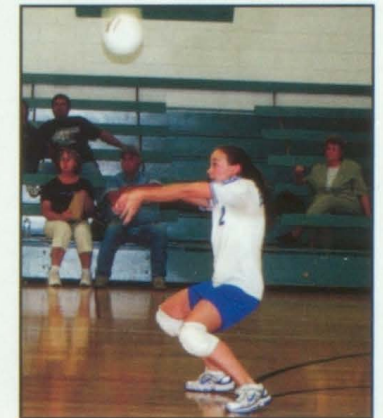
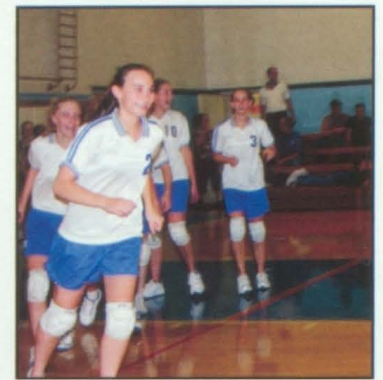
Above: Evelyn spikes the ball over the net, while Miranda gets out of the way to let her play the ball. The rest of the team is ready to cover.

Below: Miranda and Evelyn are waiting for the ball to come over the net. They are not afraid to fail!!!

Bottom Left: Miranda spikes the ball with such a speed that the Granada girls have to react quickly or watch the ball sail on past them. The right position and the right speed makes it almost impossible to play the ball back.



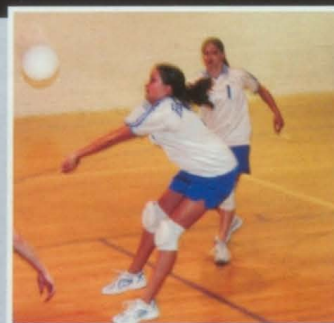
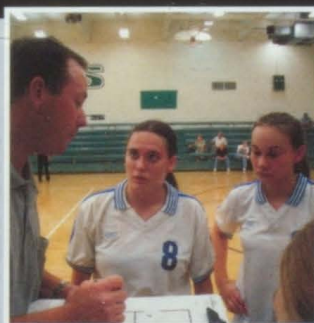
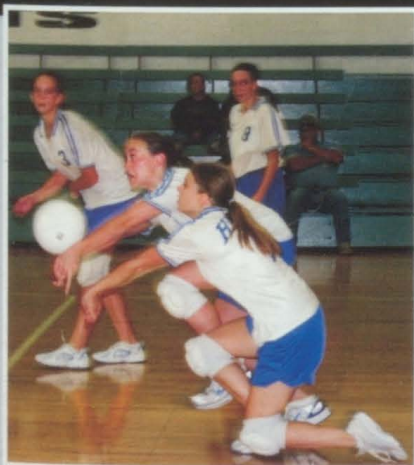
Below: The team is happy! We won!!! Vicki smiles and leads the team to the net where the other team is waiting to say, "Good game."



Above: Vicki knows that she has to give everything to bring the ball to the setter.

Below Left: Evelyn is down and ready to receive whatever the opponent might bring.

Below Right: The team gets a lot of points from Miranda's thundering spikes.



Left: Lana and Vicki are both on the floor, scrambling to get the ball. Becca stands by in case her help is needed, proving three heads are better than two. Middle: Coach gives instructions to the two captains, Miranda and Vicki. Right: Becca tries desperately to pass the ball to the setter, knowing that the most important thing is that the ball gets to the setter - no matter what. Far Right: Vicki Specht spikes the ball.







# Hoop Dreams: High School Basketball '04-'05



Top: Junior Cassie Harris concentrates as she shoots the ball against the pressure put on by the Lamar J.V. Lady Savages at Springfield.

Above: Sophomore Erin Specht looks to field a loose ball as she hustles after it before it lands out-of-bounds. Way to get after it, Lady Hawks!

Top: Lana Weber faces the tale as old as time-David vs. Goliath at the home game against the Eads Lady Eagles.

Top Right: Becca Specht fights for position in order to "get open."

Above: Miranda Weber drives to the basket while a Campo Lady Warrior tries to disrupt Miranda's "style."

Right: The team sits for a time out, during which they prove they can multi-task. Vicki Specht, Miranda Weber, and Becca Specht stare into space; Lana Weber takes a drink of water; Erin Specht tends to an injury; and Cassie Harris takes a breath. However, believe it or not, they are all still listening to Coach Wilson.

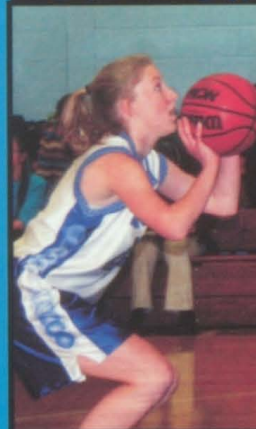
Right: The 2004-2005 Lady Hawks (back row, from left): Miranda Weber, Rebecca Specht, Coach Wilson, Vicki Specht, and Cassie Harris; front row (from left): Lana Weber and Erin Specht.



	Us	Them
Springfield	39	42
Pritchett	32	27
Lamar J.V.	47	50
Moscow	31	55
Tyrone	37	26
Hardesty	37	43
Campo	40	23
Pritchett	36	28
Cheraw	39	50
McClave	23	80
Cheyenne W.	24	40
Campo	34	36
Karval	28	55
Eads	20	53
Manzanola	36	29
Kit Carson	16	52
Granada	37	51
Eads	25	69

Total record: Wins-5 Loses-13





Top: Point guard Vicki Specht drives the ball past the Lamar J.V. defender at the Springfield Tournament. This is just one of the many times Vicki sped past the "enemy" and helped her team keep the "spirit" up.  
Above: Senior Miranda Weber protects the ball from the Campo Lady Warriors, resembling a "mother hen" hovering over her egg. Coach always said to treat the ball as if it were the most important thing in your life--Miranda just took him literally.

Top left: After Cassie's knee injury in Rolla, Kansas, the team poses for a quick picture before the injured Cassie has to go home. Top right: Junior Cassie Harris displays excellent defense at the Springfield Tournament. Middle left: Sophomore Erin Specht goes to the free throw line after driving to the basket and getting fouled. Middle right: Becca Specht frantically looks for a teammate to pass the ball to. Above: The Plainview Lady Hawks pose for a quick team picture just before their game against the Junior Varsity Lamar Lady Savages.



Far left: Sophomore Lana Weber successfully steals the ball and drives for one of her patented "coast-to-coast" lay-ups.  
Left: Sophomore Becca Specht dribbles the ball down the floor in order to set up the offense for a possible two points.





Right: Miranda Weber gives her final push as she sprints past her McClave opponent for the finish line.

Below: Miranda Weber, running more for distance in 2005, catches up to her opponent during the two mile run.



Right: Becca Specht shows signs of exhaustion while having to run the mile in hot weather with her teammate, Lana Weber.



# Run Like the Wind



Coach Befort

Miranda Weber



Becca Specht



Lana Weber







Left: Lana Weber strategically paces herself as she begins her second lap of the dreaded two mile run. Hang in there, Lana!  
Right: Becca Specht "stealthfully" sneaks up on her Lamar opponent and together they sprint for the finish line.



"Track went well this year. There was a lot of pain, but it was worth it. I had fun even though I didn't get to go to state."  
--Miranda Weber

"I enjoyed running this year, especially the mile. My goal next year is to break six minutes in the mile run."  
--Becca Specht



Above: The track team takes off together as the gun is fired, and rounds the first corner at one of their league track meets.

Right: Miranda Weber seems to be glancing at the camera right before she crosses the finish line. Good run, Miranda!



Left: Becca Specht relaxes after finishing at a fast sprint to conclude the 400 meter run.



"I enjoyed Mr. Befort as a coach and had a lot of fun. Even quarters weren't as bad as I thought they would be."  
--Lana Weber



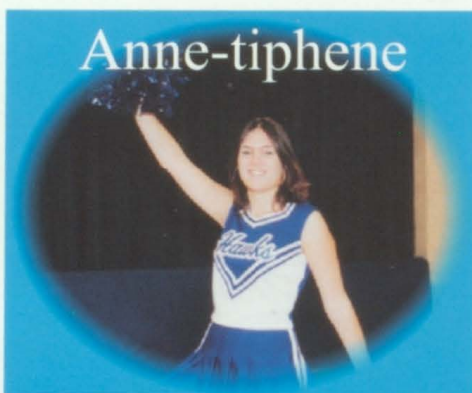


# Bring It On! High School Cheerleaders '04-'05

Jane



Anne-tiphene



GO TEAM

Lana



Cassie



Erin



Evelyn



Above: Cassie Harris exposes her "innocent" side before a game.

Bottom Left: The high school cheerleaders sans Jane pose for the camera.

Below: Sophomore Lana Weber proves once again that it is the most comfortable seat in the school as she ponders her next movement.



Our fearless sponsor and mentor, Ms. Fees!  
(She's "awesome!")





Above: Evelyn Kassel shows off a little bit of an attitude. Whether she is trying to seem snobby or just girly... well... you be the judge.



Above: The 2004-2005 Plainview High School Cheerleaders  
(Top Row from the Left): Anne-tiphene Morice, Janeth Pinto, Evelyn Kassel (middle) Ms. Fees (bottom) Erin Specht, Lana Weber, and Cassie Harris.

# MIND BODY Spirit

Right: "Look, Ma! I can fly!" Janeth Pinto (flyer) gets "airborne" as Anne-tiphene Morice (side base), and Evelyn Kassel (main base) make sure she is secure in her attempt at "flight" as they practice their stunting abilities for an up-coming pep rally.



Right: "Take a picture of the hand because the face ain't lookin'!" Erin Specht emphatically displays her "love" for the cameraman.

Bottom Right: Janeth Pinto thinks "What?! I forgot that cheer! Oh, wait! This is the one I have to 'fly.' (Scary!)"

Below: Anne-tiphene "chills" in between basketball games, proving that cheerleading can be quite the workout.



Above: Lana Weber and Evelyn Kassel demonstrate that cheerleading, along with football and basketball, is also a contact sport.

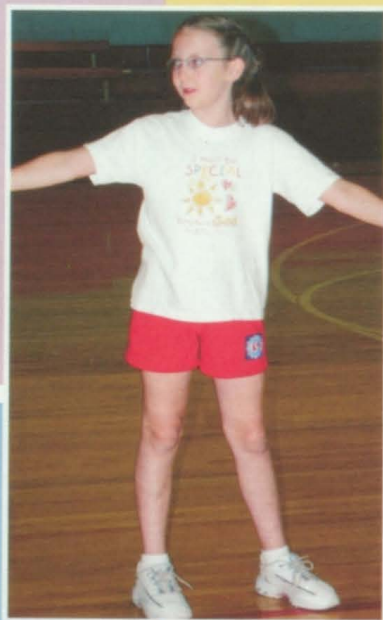


# “CHEER FEVER”: MINI CHEER CAMP

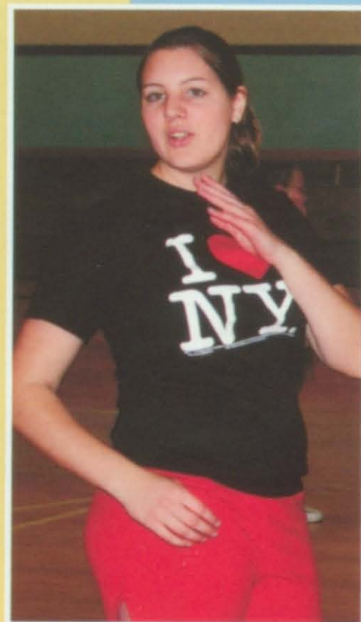
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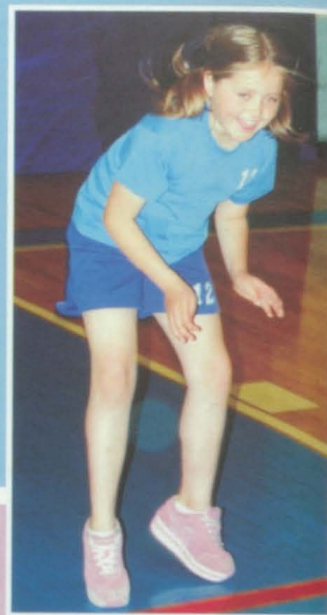
Above: High school cheerleader Lana Weber assists Lydia Splitter in a shoulder sit. However, Lydia Splitter seems to be afraid of heights-- five feet and two inches of height to be exact.



Above: Katelyn Wanderling practices the routine her group has been learning. Now, her goal is not to watch Lana while doing the routine. As we all know, practice makes perfect--especially in cheerleading.



Above: Knowing all the right moves and when to make them is key when doing a cheer. While leading a cheer, Evelyn Kassel thinks to herself, "Okay, I just slapped myself, now what's next in the routine?"



Above: Sometimes one must think on the fly when attempting to complete a cheer. In her attempt, Kristin Arns tries to complete a jump only to discover that she ended up mixing ballet with bungee jumping for what resulted in an interesting maneuver, to say the least.



Above: All the participants pose for a group picture. They had a great time and are looking forward to next year's mini cheer camp. Right: High school cheerleaders Erin Specht and Lana Weber assist two of the mini cheerleaders with a double "L" stand. This was one of the many stunts learned at the camp.



Above: All the cheerleaders decided to rock the gym with a little chant. Little did they know, everyone of them became over-achievers because the floor was literally rocked. Left: Before the recital, the mini cheerleaders enjoyed a spirited game of Ships and Sailors.





# Like Mike: Elementry Basketball Game



Left: Luke Specht makes the steal and shows some attitude as if to say, "There is no way you are going to touch MY ball!"

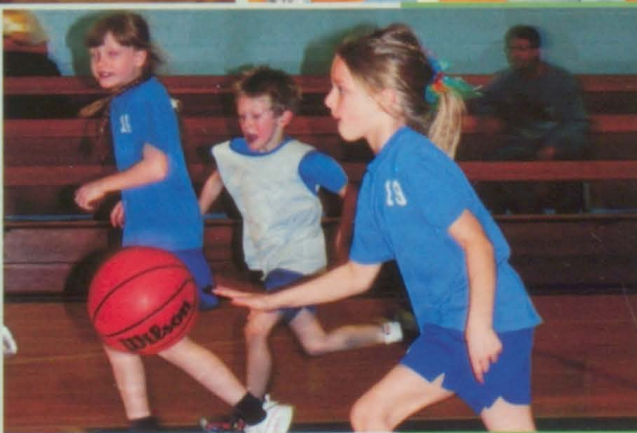
Middle Left:(from left) Katelyn Wanderlingh, Jared Wanderlingh, and Thomas Specht rush to grab a loose ball, but a terrible accident is forshadowed by this event; a three-way "body jam."

Middle Right: The coaches of the East End Elves (Vicki Specht and Miranada Weber) and the West Side Dwarfs (Jason Freouf, Cassie Harris, and Becca Specht) congratulate one another on a well-played game that ended in a tie.

Bottom Left: Thomas Specht and Luke Specht battle over the ball. However, the ending is inevitable-- the "big boy" is going to win.

Bottom Right: Alyssa Splitter makes a run for the basket with Lyaneah Segers and Jared Wanderlingh running along beside her.

AND THE CROWD GOES  
**WILD!**

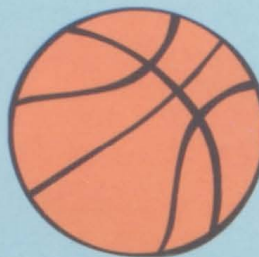
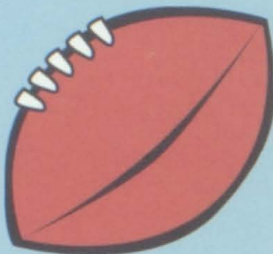


From top to bottom: Tyler Harris gets ready for the "jump ball." Matthew Sanders breaks the opposing team's press. Katelyn Wanderlingh looks for a teammate to pass the ball to. Seth Splitter tries to demonstrate one of Mr. Wilson's favorite sayings: "Everything to the front of the rim!" Kristin Arns protects the ball from the defenders, the East End Elves. Ryan Koeller gets a quick drink before he goes back onto the court.



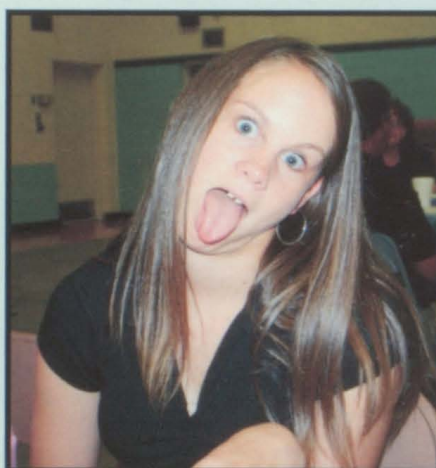
*"And The Winner Is..."*

# *The 41st Annual Awards Night At Plainview*



At Right: Sophomore Lana Weber receives her track award from Mr. Befort just before she is given the microphone and a chance to express her eternal gratification for all the running she was made to endure this spring.

Middle: Becca Specht displays her "I can't believe I ate so much at the banquet" face.



Middle Bottom: Vicki Specht receives an academic award, presented by Mrs. Wilson.

Left: Miranda receives one of her many athletic awards of the night, leaving her to wonder how she will transport all of them home and where she will put them.



Below: Becca Specht receives the "Most Improved Award" in volleyball from Coach Wilson.

Right: Dick Yan seems quite satisfied with the food served at the banquet.



Below: Coach Wilson recognizes Cassie Harris for all her hard work throughout the year. Right: Evelyn Kassel enjoys a delicious beverage.







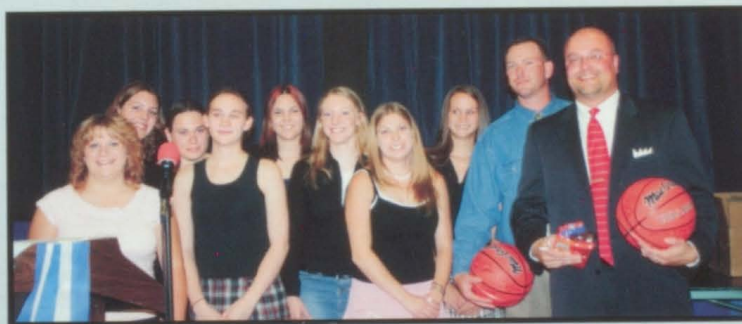
Left: (From L to R) Becca Specht, Anne-tiphene Morice, Vicki and Erin Specht, and Miranda and Lana Weber show off their black knee-high-socks worn in the spirit of team unity and for Coach Wilson's entertainment! Right: Dick Yan receives an academic award from Mrs. Wilson that comes with free tickets to a Colorado Rockies game.



Left: Chinese exchange student Tony An receives the high school computer class award from Mrs. Arns for working hard and becoming the top student in the class! Good work, Tony!



Left: Cassie Harris gives the camera a smile while enjoying herself at the dinner. Right: Anne-tiphene seems to be giving a "ggrrr-glare" to someone on her right. Either that or she is smirking at something funny someone said or did. Either way, she seems to be having a good time at the banquet.



Above: Cassie Harris, Evelyn Kassel, Miranda Weber, Anne-tiphene Morice, Erin Specht, Lana Weber, and Becca Specht pose for a picture with Coach Wilson and Mr. Pape after giving them each a signed basketball and Mr. Pape some chocolate to replenish his candy jar. At Right: Erin Specht is inducted into National Honor Society.



Above: Lana Weber lights a candle during the National Honor Society Induction Ceremony.



At Left: Vicki Specht attentively takes in a conversation during the festivities. Above: Jason Freouf and Cassie Harris share a not-so-serious moment at Awards Night.

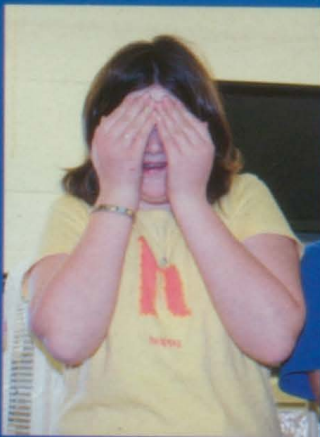
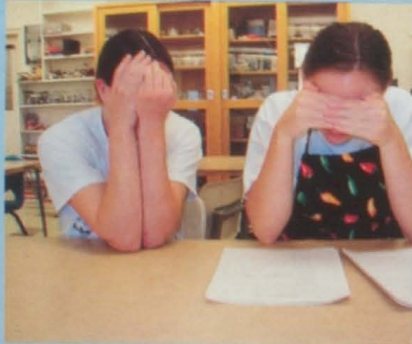
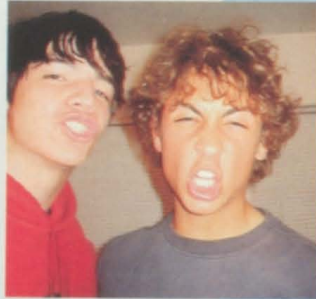
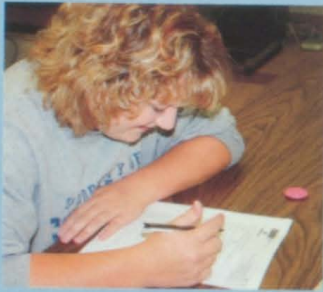
Below: Erin Specht graciously receives the spirit award from Ms. Fees for her enthusiastic effort as outstanding cheerleader. Way to cheer, Erin!



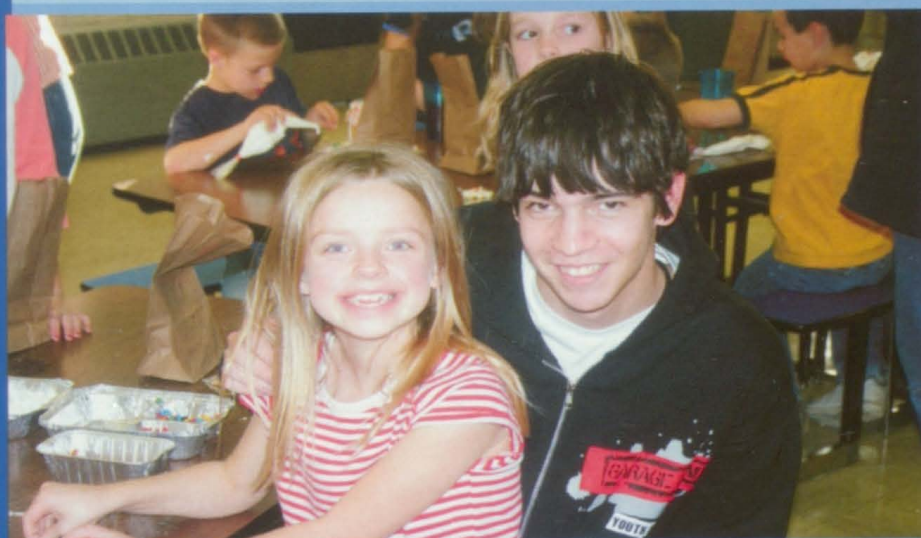
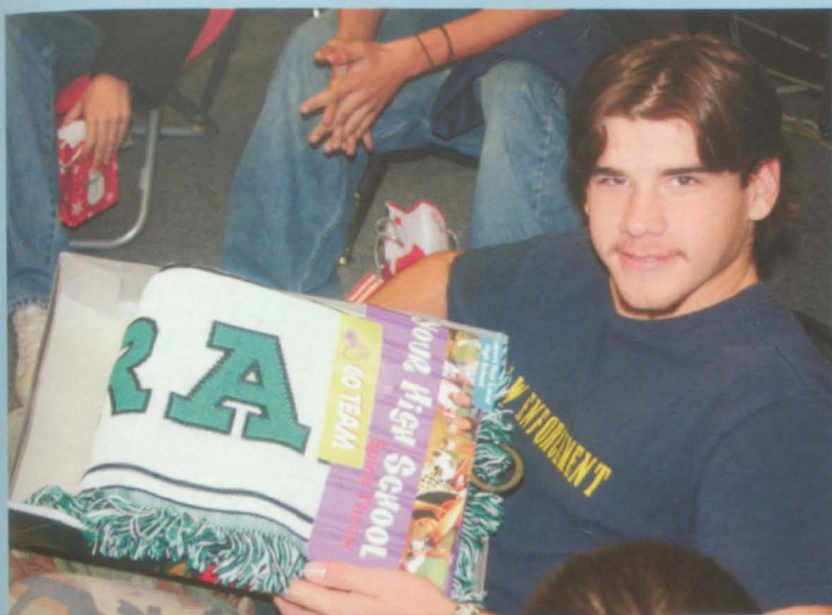
## The Plainview Athletic and Academic Awards Banquet



# Where Everyone Knows Your Name







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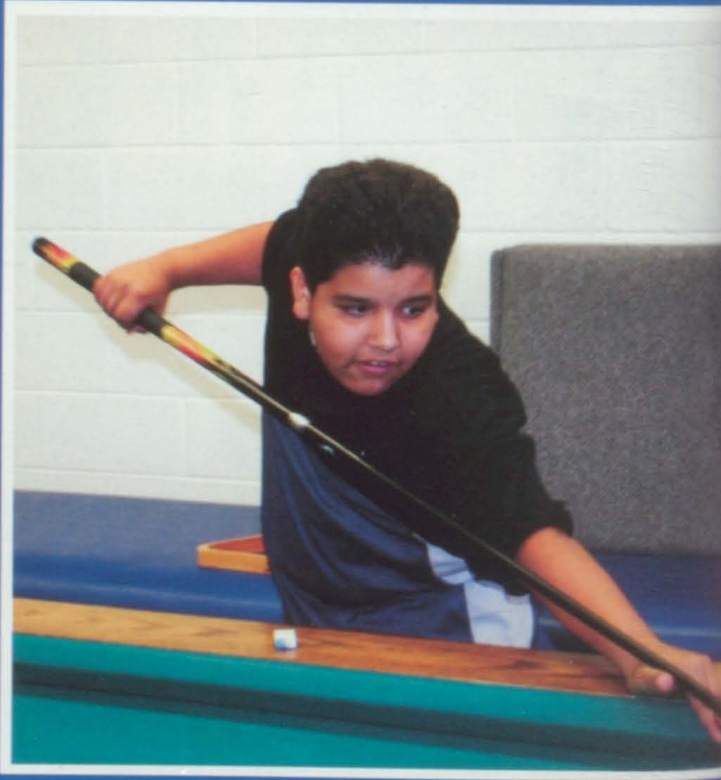
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# Lords and Ladies of the Lounge

Right: Jason Freouf displays his version of "fun"-- imitating Lana. Below Left: Joanna Specht thinks, "What is this wood thing for?" proving that even brunettes can have blonde moments. Below Right: Coty Carson plans his next bit of pool strategy. Center top: Lana Weber gives Trey Harris a "gothic" make-over in honor of Mr. Pape's 40th. Center Middle: Mercy Gardner smiles politely for the camera; in fact-- she is the only one who doesn't run from the camera!! Center Bottom: Erin Specht glares at the camera man for interrupting her daily nap in the student lounge. Bottom: Cassie Harris stares into space trying to clear her mind from the school stress. Bottom Left: Jose Dominguez thinks, "Did I just lose a game of pool to these guys?" Bottom Right: Leo Dominguez prepares to hit the number nine ball into the corner pocket.





# The kids of '04-'05... WILL WORK FOR FOOD!!



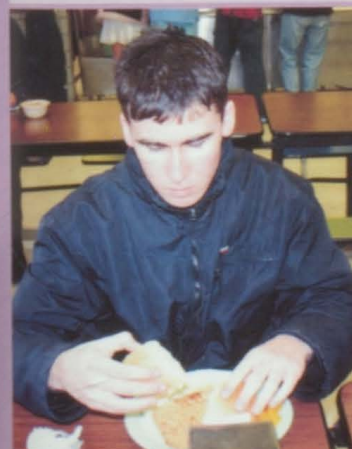
"What do you want--I'm eating."

-- Mr. Wilson



"Oh, lunch! My favorite class!"

--Evelyn Kassel



"Please tell me this isn't..."

--Patricio Lopez



Our lovely cooks, Cora Coffman and Sharon Scott, prepare for the regular student "stampede."

Right: Sophomore Erin Specht enthusiastically consumes her daily allowance of starch and vitamin C, showing that mashed potatoes are more than just a lunchroom staple; they are good and good for you!

Middle: "Hiss!" Ms. Fees gives the cameraman a "If you touch my food, you'll get it," look.

Bottom Left: Vincent Koellor and Kirbi Stum try to re-live the first Thanksgiving by sharing the peanut butter.

Bottom Right: Lauren Weber, once again, forgot to chew her food, and her stomach is somewhat upset! Nurse! Okay folks, there's a lesson for all the kids at home--take your time and don't try to eat your lunch in five minutes flat--enjoy it.







# Dude,

# Where's My Car?



**Left:** Blaine Shivers proudly stands in front of his 1991 Ford F150 XLT Lariat he affectionately refers to as "da Foad", which is Floridian for "the Ford." Of course, down in Florida, the native population refers to DisneyWorld as "da Park", and Flipper the dolphin as "da Fish", so, considering that, Blaine's designation is quite understandable.

**Right:** Cassie Harnis smiles as she presents her 1997 Plymouth Breeze she has conveniently nicknamed "Breezy." Cassie has been informed by the judges that she receives no additional points for originality.

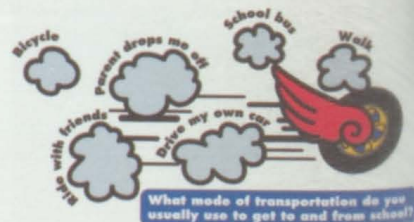


**Right:** Jason Freouf and his 2001 Dodge Ram 1500, is a late addition to the Plainview student body transportation gallery, but a significant one nonetheless. Jason's pickup is nicknamed "Jerry Lee," which is appropriate considering the awesome sound system and that Jason and Blaine are always riding around town killing wild pigs, rabbits, and the occasional prairie dog. [Note: Jerry Lee Lewis is a famous musician whose nickname is "the Killer."] Jason had been driving a smurf blue neon, so this has certainly been a step up for the Plainview junior.



**Left:** Miranda Weber shows off her 2002 red Dodge Ram pickup with a custom made, totally unique dent in the side panel courtesy of her sister Lana and her exemplary driving skills [customized dent not shown]. Miranda did receive a 2004 Dodge Intrepid for graduation, so this hopefully means that Lana will learn to drive the pickup after all, which is only right—since she did put the dent in it.

**Right:** Vicki Specht displays her Oldsmobile, manufactured sometime in the latter part of the last century. Being less than candid about her ride, Vicki's mode of transportation is more commonly known as "3561," the lot number from the auction where the car was purchased. Long live "3561"!





# "THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS"



Left: The school bus waits in front of the school building for the students to run out of the school and get a prime position in their "chaufered-driven-yellow-clad" custom ride.

Right: Mrs. Wanderlingh is welcoming Amanda Berggren on the school bus. Riding the bus is always a lot of fun for the kids.



Right: Evelyn Kassel makes what she believes to be a scary face for the camera, as she contemplates the day's events.

Far Right: Megan Linder and Trey Harris enjoy the ride home where they have some free time to laugh and unwind.

Below: Alyssa Splitter enthusiastically smiles for the camera on board "the magic bus."

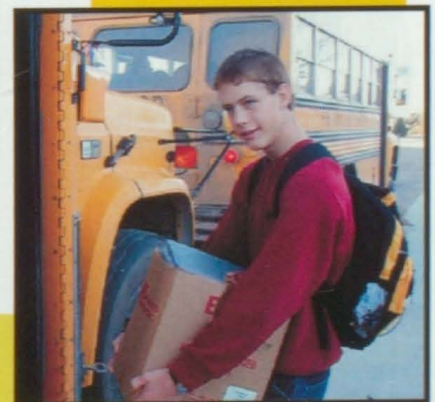


Left: Mrs. Fickenscher is waiting for the last students to get on the bus. Then she will take everybody home and pick them up early the next morning to take them back to school, continuing the "cycle of education-transportation." Below: Seth Splitter and Mariah Priddy are always having fun on their way home from school.

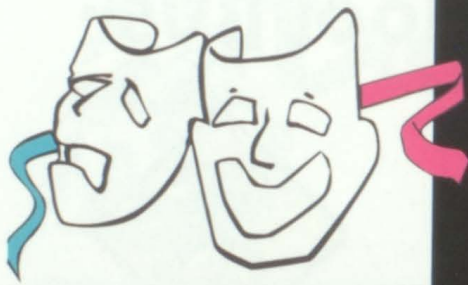


Above: These are Plainview's three main school busses which take all the students who don't have a car home from school everyday. The bus drivers also come in the morning to pick the students up at their houses and bring them to school on time.

Above: Zach Splitter is getting on the bus with his heavy backpack. Right: Trey Harris takes a box home in addition to his backpack, because is just too small for everything he needs to carry.







# HALLOWEEN

## THE COSTUME PARTY



Left: Hugtime for Benjamin Splitter and Alex Schmidt

Right: A smile for the camera from the "skeleton" Matthew Sanders, Alyssa Splitter, Kristin Arns, Lyaneah Segers, and Katelyn Wanderlingh

Below: Boo! Do you know the name of this ghost? It's none other than Luke Specht, who did a terrific job of dressing ghostly.



Bottom Left: Stephen Wilson is the incredible "Hulk".

Bottom Right: Kaylee Wilson puts a spell on the camera, while princess Lydia Splitter and ballerina Kayla Wanderlingh look on.

Below: "Cowgirl" Mariah Priddy, "puppy dog" Thomas Specht, "outlaw" Seth Splitter, and the "scary skeleton" Levi Sanders show off their Halloween duds.





# Dance With Me

Right: The ever narcissistic Erin Specht, and Megan Linder say "Cheese".



Right: Becca Specht proves yet again that she can never be serious.



Left: Janeth Pinto and Rafael Mendonca try to show all the other "country kids" how they dance in South America.



Right: Lana Weber and Thomas Francis get "up close and personal" at the fall dance.



Left: Vincent Koeller smiles for the camera.



Top Left: David Kober gives Rafael Mendonca a big bear hug.

Above: Cassie Harris, Erin Specht, Michael Berggren, Randy Young, and Becca Specht make a "human table" at the Fall Dance.



Left: Anne-Tiphene Morice attempts to scare the camera into taking her picture at the Fall Dance.



Center: Mr. Pape gives us all a sneak peek of what he would look like if he had hair.

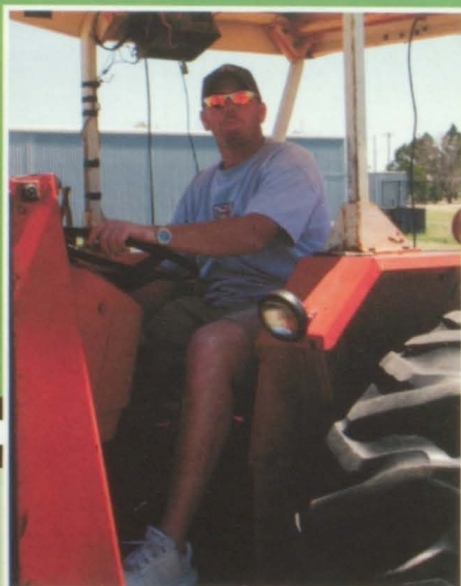


Right: Cassie "Biker-Chick" Harris dances with Kirbi "Police-guy-from-the-Village- People" Stum, proving once again that "rebels" and the "law" can get along.



# Where Everyone Can Pitch In!

## Earth Day: Working to Make a Difference



Left: The question on Earth Day was whether or not Mr. Wilson was actually working. He seemed to be having quite the time on his little tractor!

Right: "Your money, or this worm gets a tour of your bald head!" We can't be completely positive, but it looks like Lana Weber is threatening Mr. Pape's life with a little worm! For some reason we get the feeling he's going to be doing whatever it is she asks for fear of the slimy, "icky" worm.

Below Right: Dick Yan looks "cool" in his shades on Earth Day 2005.



Left: Mercy Gardner, Joanna Specht, and Heather Arns take a break from their work so they can play with the cute little bunny they found.

Below: Jason Freouf and Blaine Shivers spend the whole day trimming trees (anyway, that's what their story is). Actually, they put in a full day's work in the tree row.

Far Right: Erin Specht, Coty Carson, and Lana Weber take a break in their trench-digging duties for a group picture!



Above Right: John Gardner rakes weeds out of the baseball field. Oh, what laborious work!

Above Center: Jose Dominguez pretends to be moving tumble weeds away from the fence, but we all know that he, as well as the rest of the junior high boys, are just looking for snakes to play with!

Above Left: Vincent Koeller stands alert! Although it's difficult to tell with the dark glasses, it looks like he is taking orders from a sponsor as to what to do next.

Left: Kirbi Stum expertly maneuvers the pitchfork in the hot sun of Earth Day 2005.



Above Left: Amanda Berggren unloads tumble weeds from the back of a pick-up (or is she loading them?--it hard to tell in the wind).

Above: Becca Specht is "trying" to dig a trench in the tree row, but it doesn't look like she's getting anywhere very fast. Soldier on, Becca!



**EARTH DAY**  
APRIL 22



# Working Together to Save Lives



Pictured Above: The elementary, junior high, and high school kids who participated in Jump Rope For Heart raised over one thousand dollars for a very good cause.



Above: Kristen Arns and Katelyn Wanderlingh compete in a "see-who-can-jump-the-longest" jump rope competition. It is not altogether clear as to who won this jump rope marathon, but it is clear that they both had fun.



Above: Erin Specht decides to take a break from turning ropes in double dutch in order to do some "individual" rope-jumping.



Above: Ryan Koeller shows his enthusiasm for jumping rope, wanting to get back in line.

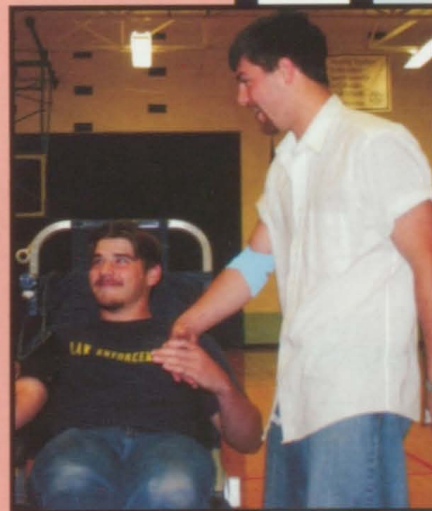
Above Left: Stephen Wilson jumps for joy. Left: Thomas Specht jumps with the best of them at Jump Rope For Heart. Below: Is she laughing or crying? It actually looks like Vicki Specht is being tickled by that huge needle stuck in her arm. And we always thought it was supposed to hurt!



Above: "I will not pass out from giving blood, I will not pass out from giving blood..." Mr. Pape seems to be intensely meditating in order to make it through his first time giving blood.



Above: Cassie Harris looks as though getting her blood drawn is kind of fun!



Above Right: Jason Freouf gives Blaine Shivers some moral support as Blaine sits in "the chair." Left: Jason Freouf reads the fine print of what he will need to do after giving blood before he actually takes the plunge.



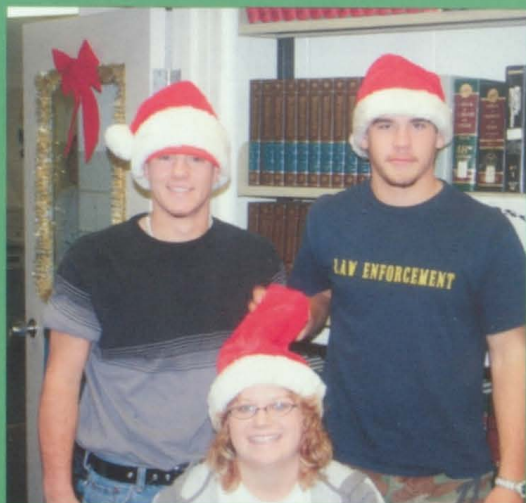
## Jump Rope For Heart and Blood Drive 2005





# THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS

... AND ALL THROUGH THE SCHOOL



Left: The Juniors Jason Freouf, Cassie Harris and Blaine Shivers pose with their "Santa Hats" for the camera.

Right: All students who wanted to participate in singing at the Christmas Concert entertained their families with many festive songs. Top Row: Megan Linder, Becca and Erin Specht, Mrs. Fickenscher; Middle Row: Shelby Harris, Katie Sanders, Natlaya Weber, Paige and Joanna Specht, Lauren Weber; Low Row: Amanda Berggren, Mikayla Schmidt, and Rebecca Gomez all participate in the Christmas play with the theme of "Home for the Holidays."



Above: The elementary students are happy with the presents they got on the last day before Christmas Break.

Below Right: Mariah Priddy applies frosting on the "landscape" of her colorful gingerbread house. The elementary and kindergarten students enjoy the afternoon fun while creating their own gingerbread houses full of candy and other sugar-filled delights.



Above: Amanda Berggren sits on Santa Clause's lap, whispering what it is she wants to see under the tree on Christmas morning. Left: Mrs. Hopkins and Mr. Pape give their all in singing the holiday favorite, "There's No Place Like Home for the Holidays," at the Christmas Concert. Right: Ms. Fees models her stylish, yet functional bath robe from the junior high and high school cheerleaders.





# CHRISTMAS VACATION

...IN TEXAS, MEXICO, CALIFORNIA, GERMANY, NEW YORK, ...



Left: The "Butt" Sisters. We had to make sure this gets in the yearbook and here it is. The Weber girls Natalya, Lauren, Lana, and Miranda like going to the beach in Texas for the holidays.

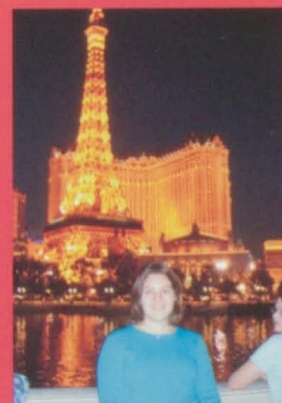
Right: Vicki Specht and Phil Splitter visit Katha Greuel in Germany. On the picture you can see the "Brandenburger Tor," a sightseeing attraction in Germany's capital of Berlin.

Below: After their stay in Germany, Phil Splitter, Vicki Specht, and Katha Greuel spend New Year's Eve in New York City.



Right: Evelyn Kassel stands in front of the Bellagio Hotel in Las Vegas, where she waits for the fountain show to start.

Left: Like last year, the Weber family spends their Christmas in South Padre Island, Texas. In the picture from left to right: Miranda, Lana, Natalya, and Lauren Weber.



Below: Cassie Harris has to have knee surgery during Christmas vacation after injuring it during a basketball game in Kansas. The only thing she can do now is hold the knee still and be patient. She spent most of her vacation time in Colorado Springs at her grandma's house, waiting for the rehabilitation to begin. Because of the pain, Cassie stayed home on New Year's Eve, but she still had fun watching movies with her family and Evelyn Kassel. Happy 2005!



Above: Evelyn Kassel and the Arns Family have a lot of fun on the four-day cruise they take during Christmas Break from Los Angeles, over to San Diego, Catalina Island, and finally, Ensenada, Mexico. From left to right: Evelyn, Heather, Kristin, Wesley, and Michael Arns.

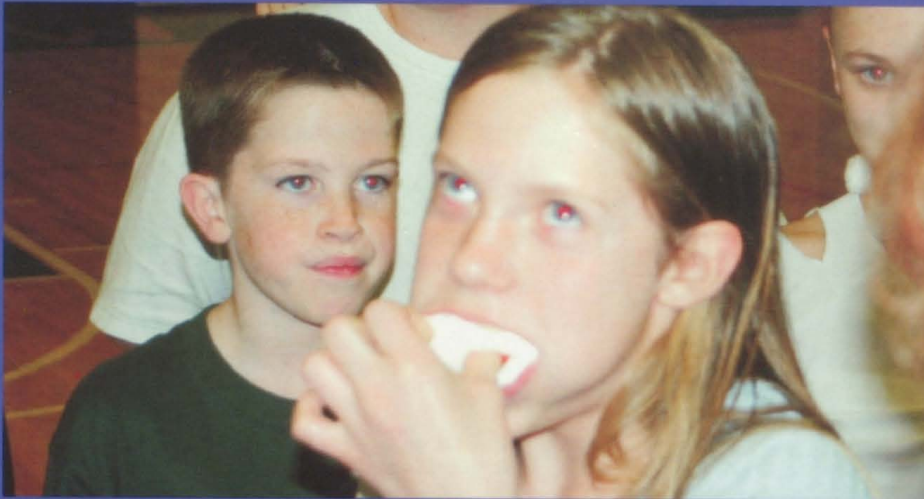




# Homecoming Week



Right: Megan Linder and Shelby Harris give a salute that would make a sailor proud during the game of "Ships and Sailors".  
Middle Right: Lana Weber and Cassie Harris having fun and smiling bright at the Homecoming dance.  
Below: Natalya Weber demonstrates how easy it can be to fit nine marshmallows in a fifth-grade-size mouth if you really concentrate.

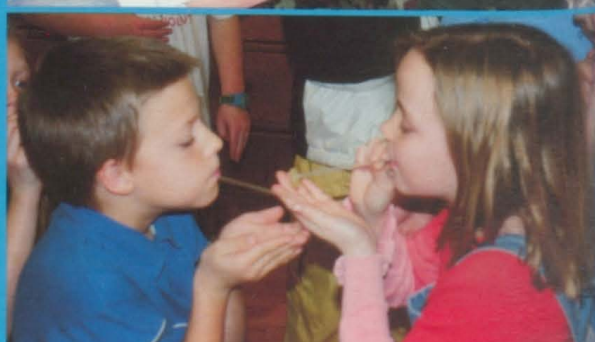


Homecoming Week was a festive occasion marked by students and teachers wearing outfits to match a theme that was predetermined by the Plainview "cheerologists", or as we like to refer to them as, "the cheerleaders." This "cheerocracy" came up with the following The dress-up days:  
Monday- Pajama/Baby Day  
Tuesday- Retro Day  
Wednesday- Fairy tale/ Cartoon Day  
Thursday- Blue and White Day  
As you can plainly see, nothing is plain about the Plainview faithful when it comes to Homecoming Week.



Top Left: Drag queens Coty Carson and Trey Harris bond with Mr. Pape (a.k.a. Mr. Love)

Bottom Left: After saving her "boyfriend" John Smith, Pocohantas has returned in the form of Janeth Pinto!  
Right Top: Wesley Arns and Tyler Harris "row their boat merrily down the stream" while playing ships and sailors.  
Right Bottom: Thomas Specht and Kennedy Oppliger pass a lifesaver between them, hoping to win their team first place in the homecoming activities.







1: Jason Freouf and Blaine Shivers give Alyssa and Lydia Splitter a "lift" as

Zach Splitter joins in to get ready for the big game.

2: Kristen Arns "gets tough" and lets others spit Cheetos onto her whipped cream covered face in an effort to win the all-important title of "Most Spirited Hawks." That is truly taking one for the team, Kristen.

3: "Angel" Erin Specht, complete with fedora and red scarf, walks in the room and implies that, just maybe, she would make a better model than a celestial representative from above.

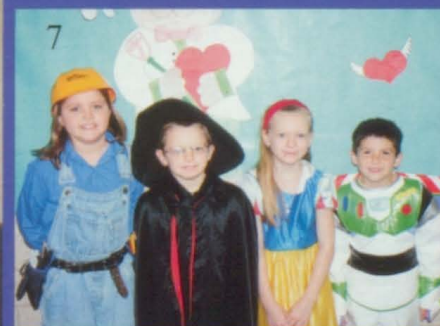


4: Blaine Shivers and Cassie Harris were crowned king and queen after the homecoming game, and were presented with a crown, bracelet and flowers by Flower Girl Abigail Berggren and Crown Bearer Stephen Wilson.

5: Vicki Specht and Miranda Weber were quite the sea-faring couple as Mr. and Mrs. Pirate on Fairy Tale day.

6: Homecoming winners for Retro Day give us a real "blast from the past": (from left) Miranda Weber, Vicki Specht, Mr. Pape, Cassie Harris, Dick, Shelby Harris, Mrs. Fickenscher, Mrs. Arns, and Ms. Fees (kneeling).

7: Kristen Arns ("Bob the Builder"), Seth Splitter ("Zorro"), Lyaneah Segers ("Snow White"), and Stephen Wilson ("Buzz Lightyear") were the elementary winners on Fairy Tale Day.



# 2004~2005



# BORN ON THE FOURTH OF JULY:

## SPRING CONCERT 2005

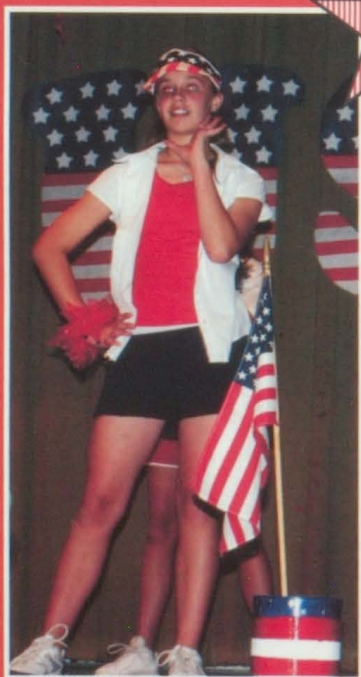


Left : Tyler Harris, Thomas and Luke Specht, Seth Splitter, and Matthew and Levi Sanders are singing the song "You're a Grand Old Flag."

Above: Cassie Harris, Shelby Harris, Evelyn Kassel and the rest of the cheerleaders do a patriotic routine.



Above: Cassie Harris and Lana Weber are posing for the camera with their American charm. Below: Lauren Weber is performing a spirit dance. Left: Seventh graders Heather Arns, Shelby Harris, and Joanna Specht smile knowing that their time as seventh graders is near its end--on to eighth grade!!!



Above Left: Katie Sanders helps in cheering the crowd up: "United States of America, the red, white, and blue... we are proud to be an American, and you should be, too!"

Left: Becca Specht reads the poem "The Flag" by Pat Odiorne.

Right: The junior high and high school students, Zach Splitter, Wesley Arns, Amanda Berggren, Rebecca Gomez, Shelby Harris, Katie Sanders, Erin and Paige Specht, Heather Arns, Joanna Specht, Lauren Weber, Cassie Harris, Natalya Weber, Mikayla Schmidt, Kacy Segers, Kirbi Stum, and Vincent Koeller practiced for weeks for the spring concert. The students of fifth through eleventh grade sang "My America," "One Song," and "This Land Is Your Land."

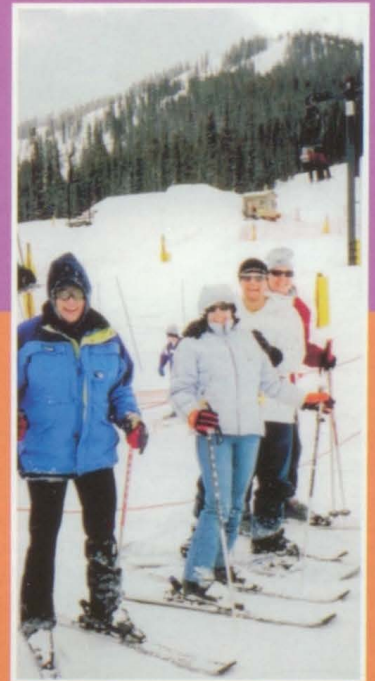




# Spring Break



Far Left: Tony An and Dick Yan pose with their skiing instructors during spring break. Tony tried snowboarding for the first time and Dick enjoyed skiing the slopes in Colorado. Left: Cassie Harris gives Evelyn Kassel her maiden voyage aboard the U.S.S. Polaris 300. Cassie's four-wheeler provides a great deal of fun and excitement riding the plains, soaking in the sun and having the wind at their faces.

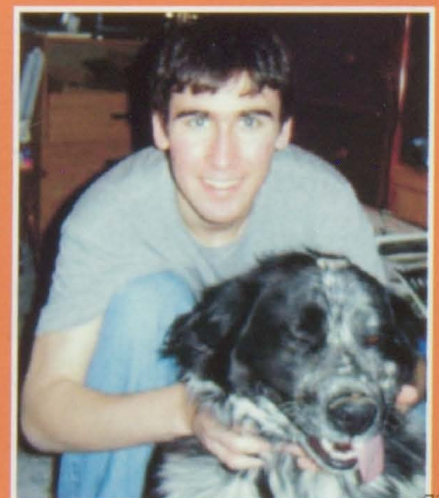


Above: Miranda and Lana Weber, Jason Freouf, and Anne-tiphene Morice go skiing during Spring Break at Monarch Ski Resort in the breath-taking Colorado Rockies. Below: Patricio Lopez enjoys the free time playing with Darrel Segers' dog, Chance.

Above: Lyaneah and Kacy Segers are going on a biking tour in Sheridan Lake, stopping briefly in order to have their picture taken. The beautiful spring weather makes everybody want to spend some time outside, enjoying the fresh air of southeastern Colorado.



Above: Janeth Pinto spends time traversing the streets with her friends from Kit Carson. Left: Evelyn Kassel visits New York and Washington D.C. right before spring break. Evelyn was able to see the nation's capital and one of its most populous cities, catching sights like the Empire State Building, the Statue of Liberty, and her visit to Capitol Hill as seen in this photo.





# A Beautiful Soul



Left: Vicki and Becca Specht have what many would call a "sister moment" fit for Hallmark before the dance begins. Below: Dick Yan proves that despite what is said by other foreign exchange students, Chinese people can dance once they get the "Saturday Night Fever."

Right: One can tell by the smile on Tony An's face, that he is indeed having a good time.



Right: Evelyn Kassel and Jane Pinto are a true European Latin American alliance as they smile for the camera before the magical night begins.

Far right: Becca Specht, Rebecca Williamson, Lana Weber, and Erin Specht attempt to sing "I Feel Like a Woman" during post-prom at the Truck Stop in Lamar. It sure made dining a lot of fun.

Bottom: Alright ladies, let's all step up for the annual "garter picture." The women of Plainview's 2005 Prom proudly display their legs and their garters for the local press, showing that they certainly have a "leg up" on any competition.







*Above left: Junior Cassie Harris gives her speech, signifying the beginning of dinner.  
Above right: Blaine Shivers gives the camera the 'Lana Weber Stressed-Out' look.  
Right: Jason Freouf laughs at Mr. Pope's always humorous Senior Prophecy.*



*Above: Prom King Patricio Lopez Torres and Prom Queen Miranda Ann Weber smile nervously as they are presented to the multitude of onlookers while they prepare for their first dance as a 'royal' couple.*



*Left: Freshman Coty Carson walks the 'Grand March' with his date for the evening, Tawna McDonald.*



*Left: Erin Specht energetically dances the night away with her fellow classmate, Becca Specht, showing that she can 'dance with the stars' anytime.  
Right: Janeth Pinto and date Chris Kleison get together during a break in the action at the Towner Hall for yet another Kodak moment on Prom Night.*



*Left: Tawna McDonald, Destiny Saffer, Erin Specht, Lana Weber, Cassie Harris, and Ngai Luang all follow Evelyn Kassel around the dance floor.  
Below left: Anne Iphene Morice and her host father, Harry Freouf, share the Father/Daughter dance together.  
Below right: Evelyn Kassel enjoys her first American Father/Daughter dance with her host father, Michael Ams.*



# A Beautiful Night



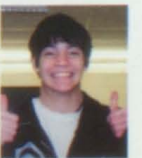


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# TOGRAPHS





# The Foreign Invasion



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[Germany]

Rafael  
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[Brazil]



Janeth  
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Evelyn  
Kassel  
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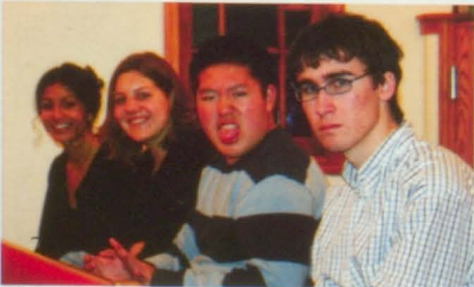
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Funky



yo! yo!



¡Amigos



# CLASS OF 2005: THE SEARCH FOR TRUTH?

From 2001 to 2005, with exceptions to the year 2002, when Ms. Fees had the honor, I had been the official prognosticator for Plainview's senior classes. Every year, following the prom dinner, I would rise, go to podium, and wax poetic about where I thought each and every student might be twenty years hence, coming up with clever little stories that made everybody either laugh, roll their eyes, or wonder what in the world I was ingesting when I wrote this piece of perfunctory prose. Well, here it was, the year 2025; and I believe my predictions were at best wrong, and at worst, unbelievably stupid. I mean, I had people timing surgeons simply because they had stayed at a Holiday Inn Express, when in real life, I wouldn't have trusted them with a knife and fork at their dinner table for fear they would never make it out alive. I had students becoming politicians, doctors, lawyers, German chancellors; married to NBA basketball players, Vegas performers, and the list goes on. If that student didn't care for children, well, I had that student having a litter of children later in life. Students who wanted to help children and people in need, they were cold, calculating business people worried only about the bottom line. A student who desired to be a doctor? Oh, sure, their success was assured, but their accounting practices were predicted to be suspect. I am not if sure any of my predictions over that time span were even close to correct. I remember my last projection: Kami Stum was to appear on a German television show called The Nanny, where she ended up marrying this wealthy German philanthropist, Donald Von Trump. Donald Von Trump?! The Nanny?! Wealthy German philanthropist?! I mean, what next? A German Pope?

I was deeply distressed over this, and needed some help. Surely, my predictions for 2005 had gone well—I mean, I really tried this time; no funny stuff; I studied these six people closely for that entire school year, or at least the four that had been from other countries: Evelyn, Jane, Anne, and Patrick. And then with Vicki and Miranda, well, I had had them in class for five years—surely, I could write something reliable about those two. What had happened to these six individuals over twenty years? I went to two very reliable sources in order to find out: Blaine Shivers and Jason Freouf—members of the class of 2006. If one would know what happened to Plainview's class of 2005, it would be those two.

I asked Blaine and Jason down on their spacious ranch somewhere in Oklahoma, where the wind comes sweeping down the plains; where the waving wheat can sure smell wheat, when, the wind, oh, you all know how it goes. Anyway, I was surprised to see Jason still alive and kicking, given his propensity for activities that ended with him hurting himself in various degrees of severity back in high school. When I saw them, Jason recognized me right away while Blaine just stared at me for what seemed like an eternity before he emphatically stated, "Hello, Mr. Pape, and by the way, there was nothing wrong with that girl I wore to school back on April 23, 2005—it was just a picture of an aluminum container whose contents are compressed and that is best when cold and nothing else. It could have had Pepsi in it." After the pleasantries, they asked if I would like to join them in shooting things from their Jeep on the ranch, and, like back in the year 2005, I respectfully declined. Paint Ball? No. Four-wheeling? No. Toilet training? No. I reminded them that I was sixty years old, and that my ability to focus had diminished somewhat, and they said that they had no idea what was talking about. Muddin'? Pig hunting? Running down hares? Pool? "NO! NO! NO!", I replied. Frustrated, I blurted out, "Where's Cassie?" As luck would have it, Cassie Harris was visiting from out of state, and was more than happy to be of help in this search for Plainview's class of 2005. So while Blaine and Jason resumed their eclectic array of carefree activities, I guess you can do those things when you win Power Ball and over a third of a billion dollars before taxes; and I had a wonderful chat about what had happened to Plainview's class of 2005.

Evelyn Kassel, or "Evi," as the kids all called her that year, returned to Germany and her home town of Munich in the summer of 2005, still unable to wrestle the front seat of the car away from host brother Wesley even on her last trip to the airport. She finished school, went on to the university, post-graduate school at the University of Bavaria, and a doctorate at Munich State, where her thesis was entitled, "The Arch for Less Than Zero: A Mathematical Quest." Even though her doctoral thesis seemed like quite a page-turner, it was not her first published work. She was able to pay for every cent of her education by writing a tell-all book trading in on her knowledge of, or should I say supposed knowledge of, Pope Benedict. She was able to turn a communion offering with the archbishop of Munich into a book entitled: I Saw the Pope When He Was Nothing but a Rat... Zinger. Well, needless to say, the book sold millions of copies and contained thousands of amusing Bavarian anecdotes about 265th Pontiff, some of them really having the possibility of being somewhat true.

It really brought enjoyment to Evelyn, however, was not her fiction writing, or her mathematical endeavors, but something quite unexpected: yearbooks. She loved helping put together the Plainview 4-2005 version so much, that she had to do more. Whether it was the cropping of digital pictures, or the writing of captions, the selling of ads, or the designing of pages, she found the process exhilarating and fulfilling all at the same time. So even though Evelyn Kassel had the capability to mathematically solve the energy crisis around the world and maybe even bring an end to world hunger, she instead chose to follow her dream, becoming a yearbook consultant for Jostens, the largest manufacturer of annuals in the entire world. So now she can do what most yearbook consultants do: Very little consulting.

Patrice Morice, or "Patsy," left Colorado only to return following her graduation in France in order to go to school in Pueblo at Colorado State University. Anne did quite well, garnering a 4.0 GPA while at CSU and impressing her professors something she was able to do quite well at Plainview: confuse the "Be Jesus" out of teachers to the point where they had no idea what she was saying—she just said it in that intoxicating French accent that it did not matter what the content was. Let's face it: someone with a French accent could read the Congressional Daily Record and make it sound enticing. I remember listening to Anne give her speech that year and thinking, "If only I had one of those ear pieces like they have at the United Nations, that would be perfect..."—but no, I was born in the Midwestern United States, talking like someone whose primary job is ordering a pizza and cheering for "da Bulls." Understanding French was quite foreign. The best I could do was performing some lame Peter Seller impersonation of Inspector Gueuseau of the Pink Panther fame. "Does your dog bite?" Reply: "No. My dog does not bite." The dog bites. "I thought you said your dog does not bite." Reply: "Why, yes, but that is not my dog." He eventually returned to France to take over her family's Italian restaurant and Irony Emporium, and she designed trendy clothes with her fashion consultant, Mr. Jay Wilson, and she worked for the Books on the People reading dull and tedious text that only someone with a French accent could make better—my reading students probably wished she could have done something with the books I assigned. Anne was able to find the meaning of life and the key to eternal happiness, however, and was willing to give expensive seminars on the subject, charging people lots of money to hear her ideas on such an elusive topic. I remember attending one of her workshops only to find that once again, I couldn't understand a word she said, wished I had one of those ear piece things, but could have cared less because the French Italian food was very good.

Patricio Lopez, of the most odd and complex students I ever had was Patricio Lopez. To put it kindly, Patrick had one of the most random senses of timing when it came to humor. Most people laugh when something funny is said. In comedy, that moment is called the "punch line." In the world of Patrick, even the set up to a joke was not the time to laugh—I believe it might have been when everyone else had left the building and gone home—then Patrick would cue the little laugh track in his head. His sense of humor was on a serious tape delay. I just hoped and prayed that Patrick didn't become a doctor—I mean, can you imagine Dr. Lopez telling someone the "bad news"? "Sir, we've seen the x-rays and have run the tests, and you only have six—cue laughter—, and the patient wouldn't know whether it was six hours, days, months, years, toes on his foot, whatever, because the good doctor would be doubled over thinking about god knows what else.

Indulgingly, Patrick stayed away from medicine and followed his true passion—theater. A theater major, Patrick went on to train in the famous "Actor's Studio," following in the steps of the late great Marlon Brando and the great Antonio Banderas (note: I have no idea if Mr. Banderas is a classically trained actor, but he is big in Spain, so as they say, when speaking of Rome...). Patrick has revolutionized a new form of theater—the tradamedy—it is a cross between tragedy, drama, and comedy, which oddly, seems quite "Patrick" to me. His stage production of Of Mice and Men was given a new twist—the first tradamedy musical. After each and every sad, tragic, and dramatically poignant scene, George and Lennie break out into a song and dance number that really stops the show. And I won't spoil the ending for you, but it is BULOUS!!!!!!!

Janeth Pinto, who really liked having Jane in my geography class—I mean she did so well in Latin America—it was almost as if she were from there. Jane was like the antithesis of myself: Jane had hair, I did not; Jane was tall, I was tall; Jane was cute, I was not; Jane was about 94 pounds, and I was, well, let's say when I weighed 94 pounds, Gerald Ford was president. Jane did very well in all my classes that year—I always felt she deserved some special award just because she had to put up with me four hours a day. Academically, Jane was a very good student; always getting her homework done despite having to do so with a me attached to her ear for hours at a time, although it seemed like inexpensive therapy. I mean if I had to see a teacher like me four hours a day when I was in high school, well, I would have needed someone to talk to as well. When Jane first came out to this little hamlet, she wanted to work in a museum, giving educational tours to patrons of art and history. But when she returned to her native Ecuador, she had a new passion: cheerleading. Jane loved cheerleading. I mean the synchronized action, the chanting, the stunting... it was something she truly adored. Upon returning to South America, Jane opened The Latin American Cheer Academy, and one of her first hires as cheer instructors was none other than Plainview's Erin Specht and Lana Weber, because if you are thinking Latin America, Erin and Lana are really the first people that come to mind. Jane's Latin American Cheer Academy was such a big success, she opened one up in the Amazon as well—the natives loved it, although Lana refuses to go into the jungle because the humidity is murder on her hair and make-up. Every soccer team and Latin American baseball team sports their own cheerleading squad thanks to Janeth Pinto: Latin American Cheerleader.

Erin Specht, well, twenty-one years ago I predicted that Ms. Specht and Ms. Weber were a couple of well-to-do panhandlers, living on a huge estate in Denver, taking advantage of generous passers-by on their way to riches and wealth beyond their wildest dreams. As we all know, however, my predictions were not even good entertainment, let alone fact. Vicki graduated from the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, where she worked in international relations and political science (so I was correct on one of my predictions), hoping to be an American diplomat working at the United Nations. I mean, if anything, Vicki loved foreigners, she loved the art of compromise and diplomacy; she was kind of like a female John Bolton minus the bad hair and cheesy white mustache. Still trying to find her niche in life, however, she went to culinary school, where she trained to become a world-class chef. But again, this was a less than satisfying life for Ms. Specht. I mean, all the "learnin'" was good, but she was missing something in her life. She wanted to be with the people—people with so much loyalty and passion; it would make a Civil War re-enactor cower in shame. She was feeling the need for speed. Vicki had it in her blood—if the Spechts were anything, they were lead foots when it came to the gas pedal and the winding road. Vicki was a real prodigy—although you would never hear anyone in NASCAR ever say that word for the simple fact that it had too many syllables—and she was hoping to profit from this gift she was given—she was going to put the pedal to the metal in places like Daytona, Talladega, Texas, Bristol, the Carolinas; you name it—if there was a oval track and stock cars, then Vicki was going to be there. No high brow Formula One for her, she was NASCAR all the way—a redneck woman wantin' to burn some rubber. And sponsorship? Well, she's got a monopoly on some products just because of her gender that I won't get into at this particular time. And to think I had always passed over the NASACAR section in my subscription of The Sporting News in order to get to those "weenie" sports like basketball, baseball, and football, when I could have been reading about my former student tearing up the track in a sport that has grown steadily over the last thirty years, much so, that there are all sorts of voting blocks named for the sport: NASCAR Dads, NASCAR Moms, NASCAR Grandmas and Grandpas, NASCAR Democrats, Republicans, and Independents. I was just thinking she had changed her eyeglass prescription since she attended Plainview, you know, for safety purposes. I guess you can purchase all sorts of Vicki Specht official merchandise including the Vicki Specht Key Bottle Opener—I'm not sure what it says to you, but I'm confident it's worth every cent.

Miranda Weber, in case no one figured it out, Miranda was an avid reader in school. They said that Theodore Roosevelt read approximately 20,000 books in his lifetime, and I would venture that Miranda would have given old money a run for his money. A book that would take the average person a couple of weeks to read, Miranda would have finished in an afternoon. And because Miranda spent so much time reading, well, she didn't have time to talk a great deal. Sometimes you would see her walking down the hall with her eyes closed to the next class wondering if she was actually asleep or if some outside force was silently guiding her through the way traffic—or if she was actually sleepwalking, and in that case you wanted to avoid waking her for fear she may get lockjaw—or was that a myth? Either way, Miranda seemed to be taking it all in—observing what was going on around her and taking extensive mental notes for the purposes of writing some tell-all expose later on down the road. I mean, sometimes she would come into your room after school to either scare the crap out of you and/or talk your ear off about some fairly strange subjects, or she would get chocolate from her secret stash—but for the most part, she was an enigma wrapped around a riddle, engulfed in a mystery, surrounded by intrigue, encompassed by, well, you get the picture. I guess Miranda did what we all expected her to do—become a United States Postal Worker and eventually snap, and we would see it all on CNN or FOX News, whatever. Seriously, Miranda went to the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, received her bachelor's degree in geology, and went on to Boulder for her postgraduate work.

When I went to visit Dr. Weber at her thriving practice in California—a state that needed good mental health professionals because they kept recalling governors and electing actors to take their place—and she was more than gracious. I commented on how much I enjoyed watching Lauren Weber's new situation-comedy-reality show, Life With the Webers—I told her it would be gold years ago, and Miranda agreed—kind of like Osbornes meet Green Acres. We talked for hours; well, actually I talked most of the time, while Dr. Weber would interject every so often. "How did that make you feel?", "What do you think that means?", "hmmmm..." I guess she wrote down lots of notes, although I had the sneaking suspicion it was just stick figures and other mindless doodling. Oddly enough, though, I felt much better. I couldn't decide if it was the conversation or the sedatives she prescribed afterwards, but I felt like a new person.

Oddly enough, I was quite impressed with the Class of 2005; and although my original predictions were as wrong as wrong could be, I was happy to have spent some quality time with some former students, reminiscing about old times and catching up on new ones. I wrote thank-yous to the Class of 2006, although I'm not sure Blaine and Jason ever received theirs—the postman is quite scared of them. And I was happy to receive some correspondence from Miranda the following month: A bill for \$1400.00. Next time I feel the need for therapy, I'll just light one of those scented candles and call it good.



# THE CLASS OF 2017: KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION



*Ryan Anthony Koeller*



*DeseRay Ann Segers*



*Jared Dee Wanderling*



*Stephen Scott Wilson*



Above Left: Stephen Wilson carries the American flag into the gym.  
Above Middle: Mr. Befort presents the graduate Ryan Koeller to parents, teachers and friends in the audience.

Above Right: DeseRay Segers receives her diploma and is looking forward to first grade.  
Right: Jared Wanderling is proud to be presented as a member of the Class of 2017.

Below: The kindergarteners are excited to get their diplomas and move on to the cake and ice cream in the cafeteria following the ceremony and the concert.





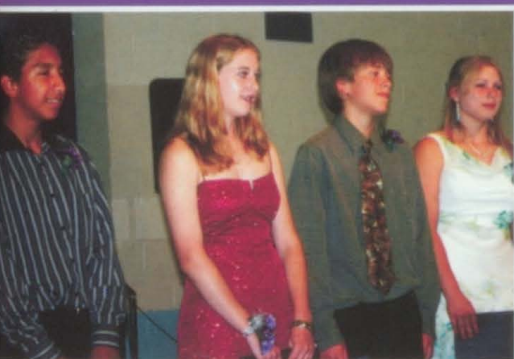
# CLASS OF 2009: EIGHTH GRADE GRADUATION



Left: Graduate Lauren Weber concentrates on walking gracefully down the aisle. It's no easy task in five-inch heels. Right: Arm in arm, ushers and seventh-graders Joanna Specht and Kirbi Stum lead the way to start the ceremony.



**They started together...**



**They worked together...**



Above: Jose Dominguez, Megan Linder, Jason Specht and Lauren Weber

are presented to all present as freshmen, the Class of 2009!



**They finished together!**

"The greatest discovery of my generation is that man can alter his life simply by altering his attitude of mind."

--James Fruslow Adams



# The Graduates



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Anne-tiphene Morice



Janeth Pinto



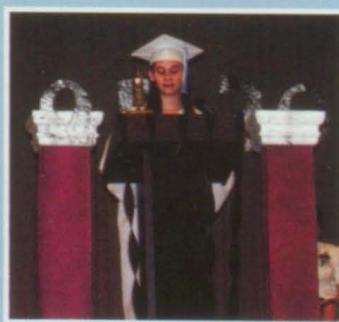
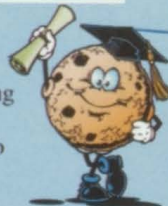
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82 Miranda Weber



Far Above: Cassie Harris and Blaine Shivers, the seniors' ushers who escort them into the gym, start the proceedings by leading the graduates. Above Left: Miranda Weber is receiving her diploma from her father and school board member, Bob Weber. Finally high school is finished! Above Right: Patricio Lopez is proud to be a graduate of Plainview's Class of 2005.



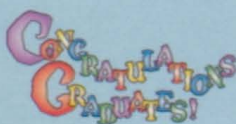
Above: Vicki Specht can't wait to get her diploma and get out of school. "I don't get what takes so long," says the impatient senior. Left: The seniors' table is full of presents. It almost seems as if there is a birthday today.



Above Left: Miranda Weber gives her Salutatorian Address and talks about how important friends have been in her life.

Above Middle: The Valedictorian Vicki Specht reads one of her own poems to the audience. Her message was that the past, present, and future are facts that every graduate has to deal with, and it is important that we understand and put them all in the proper context. Congratulations, Graduates!

Above Right: Commencement speaker and Plainview alumni Mark Splitter gives a thoughtful presentation about effectively juggling everything life has to throw at you and how you can fit it all in if you prioritize.





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Far Above: Evelyn Kassel's family came from Germany to celebrate her graduation.  
 Right: Shelby Harris gives Patricio Lopez a hug and wishes him good luck.  
 Above: The 2005 senior class of Miranda Weber, Vicki Specht, Anne-tiphene Morice, and Evelyn Kassel (Jane Pinto and Patricio Lopez are also there--if you can find them) are happy that they received their diplomas. It's now time to throw the hats--look out!!!



**The Plainview Class of 2005**

(From Left) Miranda Weber, Anne-tiphene Morice, Janeth Pinto, Patricio Lopez, Mrs. Sharon Arns (sponsor), Evelyn Kassel, and Vicki Specht.



# School's Out



Above: Lauren Weber shows that she's thrown a thing or two down a lane, not the least of which is this bowling ball.



Middle Top: Lana Weber and Becca Specht have tons of fun on the swings, just like when they were in elementary school.

Middle Bottom: Lana Weber drenches Leo Dominguez with a bucket of water.



Above: "Look, it's a bird, it's a plane, it's"--well, we have no idea, really. Mr. Wilson is pointing several of his elementary students in what he hopes is the right direction on the last day of school. Below: Some of the junior high and high school participants at the K.A. Hall.



Above: Levi Sanders shows everyone how it's done with his expert hula-hooping, wearing stealth-like camouflage shorts.



Above: Joanna and Paige Specht have fun while springing back and forth on the frog at the park. Both Joanna and Paige agreed that taking the "front seat" on the frog was the least desirable and most dangerous position.



Above: Ms. Greenfield's third and fourth graders are ready for summer.



Above: First-grader Seth Splitter happily participates in the sack race.



Above: Jason Specht soaks a running Heather Arns with a bucket full of water, cooling off a fairly warm afternoon at the park.



Above: The fifth and sixth grade appear to be ready for school to get out as they get crazy for one last group picture.



# Senior Trip



Left: Seniors Janeth Pinto and Evelyn Kassel in Downtown Disney in front of Planet Hollywood.

Right: Evelyn Kassel and Janeth Pinto meet Goofy at Walt Disney World in Orlando, Florida.

Below: Miranda Weber and our "Black and White Knight" at Medieval Times.



Above: Sporting their "oh-so-stylish" crowns of royalty, Evelyn Kassel, Vicki Specht, and Miranda Weber are cheering for their knight while eating with their hands "eleventh century style" at Medieval Times.

Left: The senior's sponsor Mrs. Arns in rainy Florida modeling the latest in Disney's plastic poncho-wear that was supposed to keep her and her seniors dry.

Below: The four senior girls in front of Epcot Center. A new day of adventure in Florida begins.

Below right: Janeth Pinto, Evelyn Kassel, and Miranda Weber are enjoying their "Senior Sneak Week" in Orlando.





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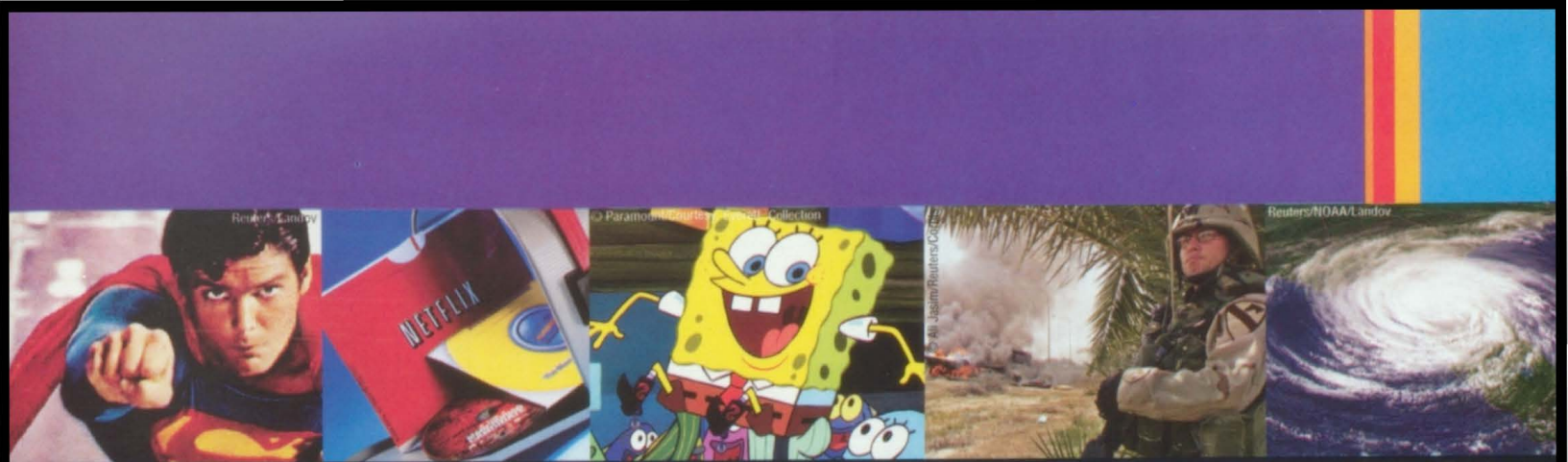
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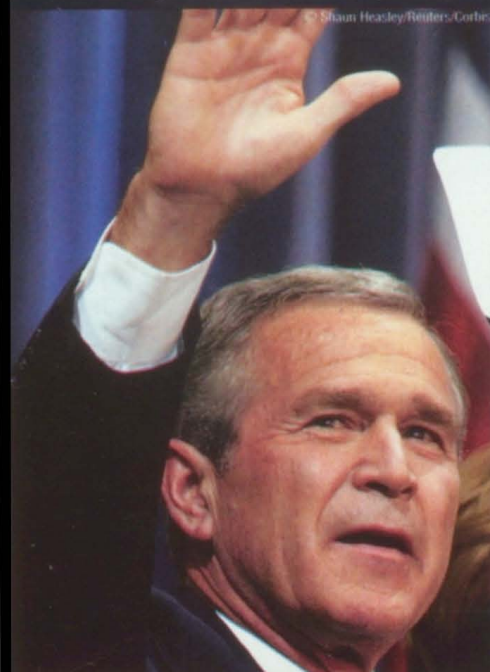
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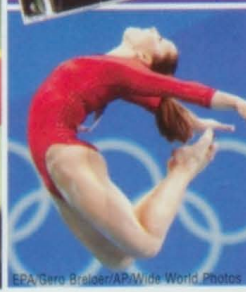
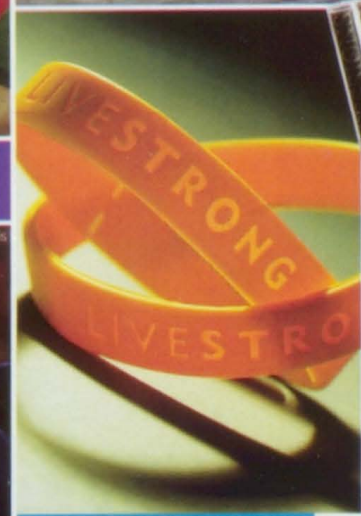
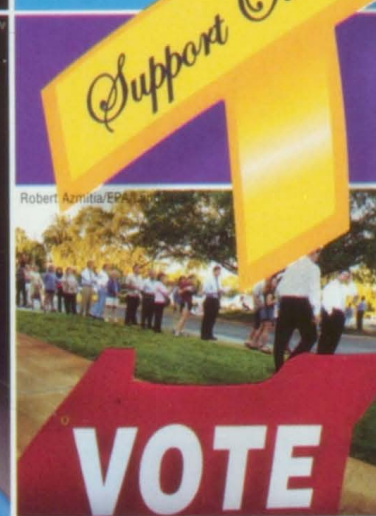
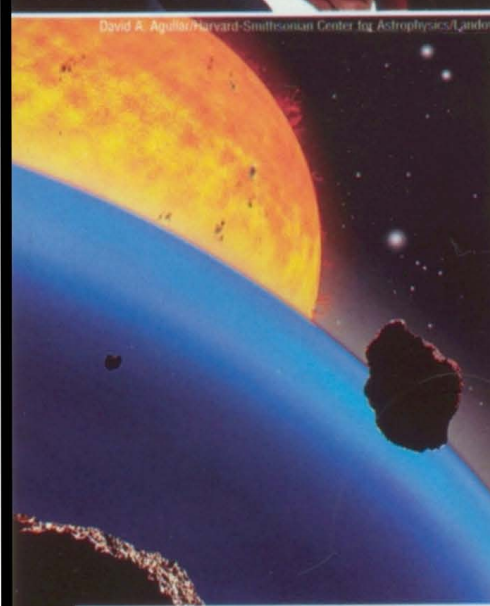
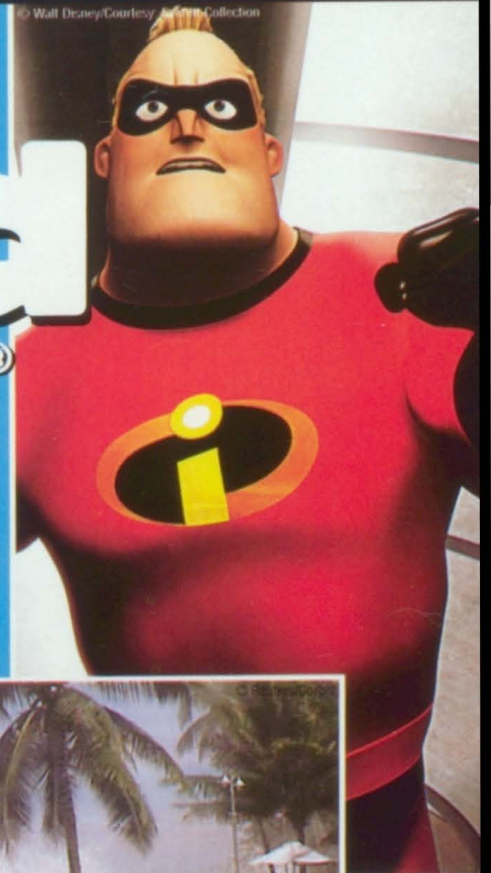




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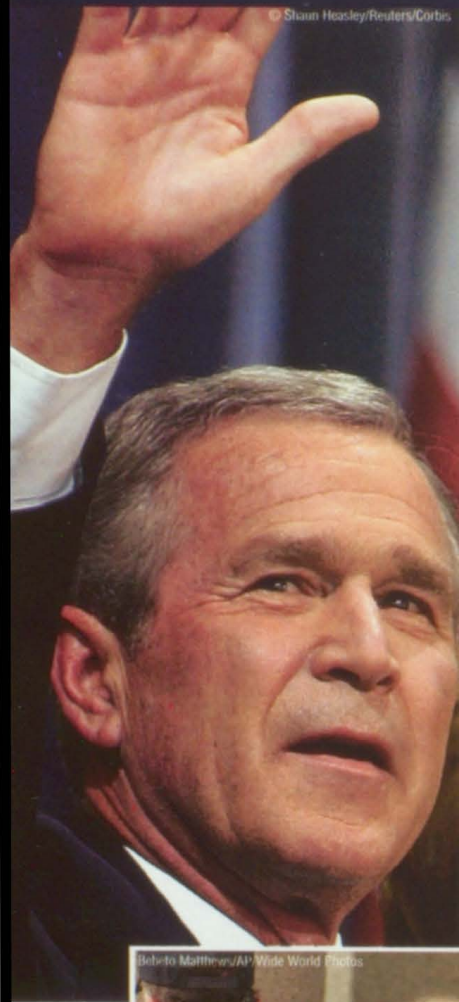


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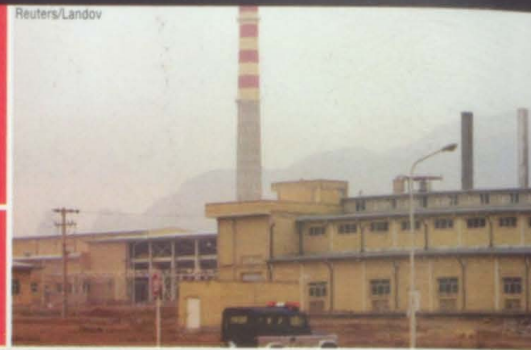
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➤ Republican incumbent George W. Bush narrowly defeats Democratic challenger John Kerry in the hotly contested 2004 presidential election.

➤ Despite assurances that its nuclear program intentions are peaceful, Iran voluntarily suspends its uranium enrichment activities in the face of protests from NATO and the U.S.

➤ Five hurricanes hit the Caribbean Sea, Florida and the southeastern U.S. coast in the fall of 2004, causing \$25 billion in damages.

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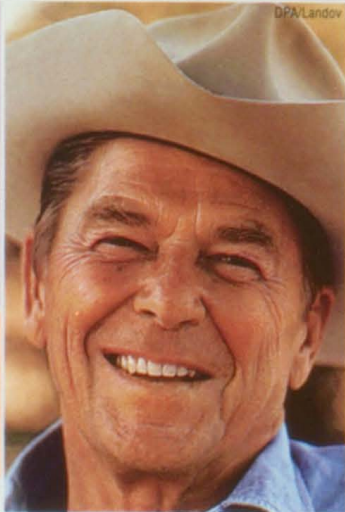


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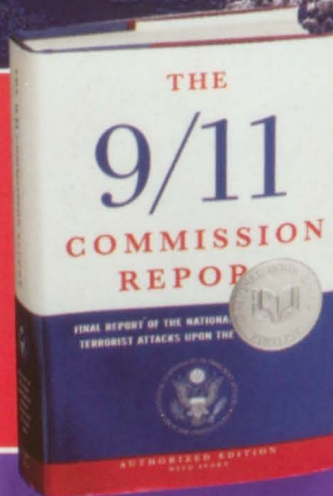


➤ Lifestyle guru Martha Stewart begins serving a five-month jail sentence in West Virginia, after being found guilty of lying about a suspicious stock sale.

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➤ Ronald Wilson Reagan, 40th president of the United States, dies in June at the age of 93.



➤ In July, the Bipartisan 9/11 Commission releases its report of circumstances surrounding the September 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

➤ Strong partisan division over issues at stake throughout the 2004 presidential campaign results in record turnout of voters under 21.

➤ In November, Minnesotan Chai Vang allegedly shoots and kills six hunters and wounds two others after he is caught trespassing on a hunting platform in Wisconsin.

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# VOTE

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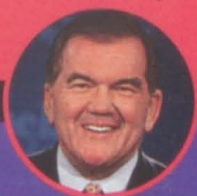


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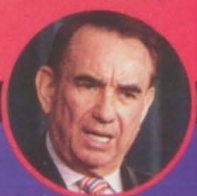
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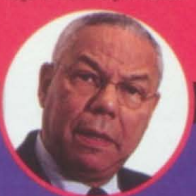
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Tom Ridge leaves his position as secretary of homeland security.



Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson resigns.



Secretary of State Colin Powell steps down.



Attorney General John Ashcroft relinquishes his cabinet post.

➔ Ribbon-shaped magnetic stickers urging people to "Support Our Troops" appear on countless American cars.

➊ National Security Adviser Condoleezza Rice makes history as the first black female to become secretary of state when she succeeds Colin Powell.

➋ Coalition troops face a persistent terrorist insurgency leading up to the Iraq presidential election in January 2005. The war costs the lives of over 1,400 coalition troops, as well as over 14,000 Iraqi civilians.

*Support Our Troops*



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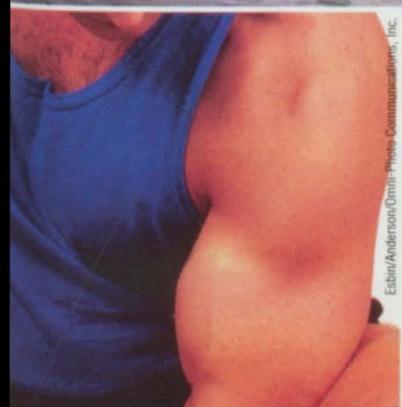
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➌ In the trial of the year, California jurors find Scott Peterson guilty of the first-degree murder of his pregnant wife, Laci, and second-degree murder of their unborn son.



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➍ More than 220,000 lives are lost after a massive earthquake in December off Indonesia's coast causes a tsunami that smashes coastlines in Southern Asia and as far away as Somalia.

➎ The Center for Disease Control's Youth Risk Behavior Survey finds 6.1 percent of teenagers surveyed have tried steroids as compared to 2.7 percent in 1991.



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➏ In response to the investigation by the Bipartisan 9/11 Commission, the U.S. Senate passes the National Intelligence Reform Act.



# global



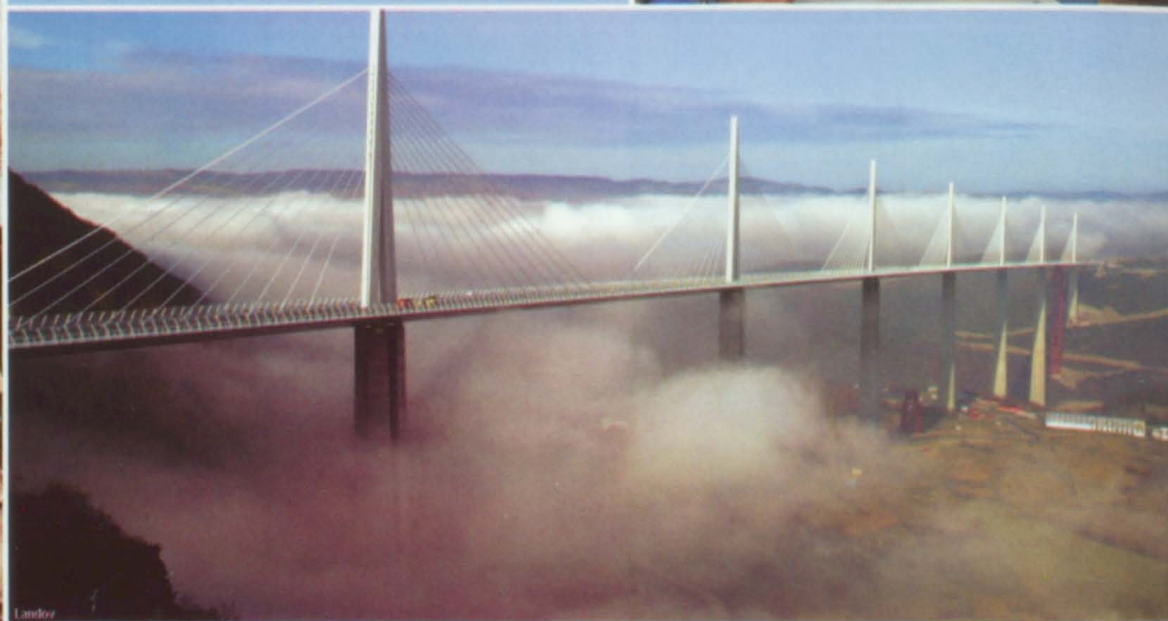
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➤ PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, 75, dies in a Paris hospital. Palestinians view him as a leader who sought a homeland for his people, but many Israelis see Arafat as a ruthless terrorist.

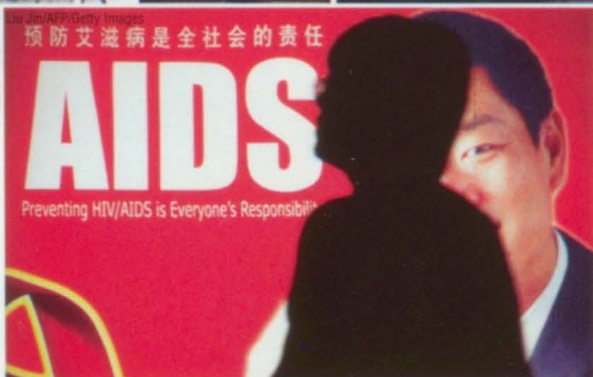
➤ In October, more than 10 million Afghan men and women vote in the country's first presidential election — a milestone in the country's transformation after 25 years of war and Taliban control.



➤ At 885 feet the new Millau bridge in southern France is the tallest bridge in the world.



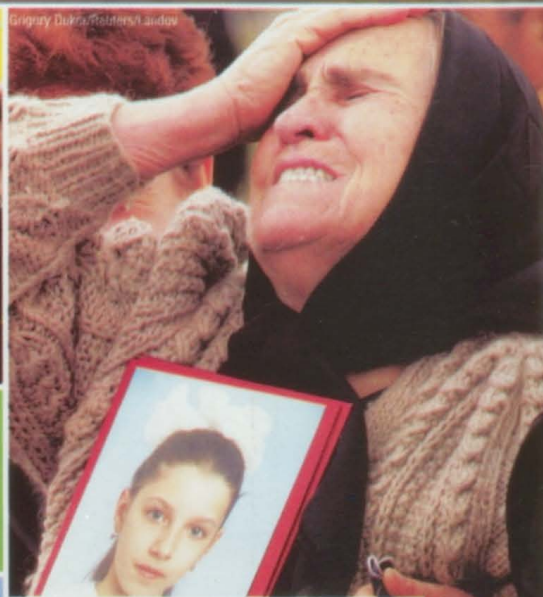
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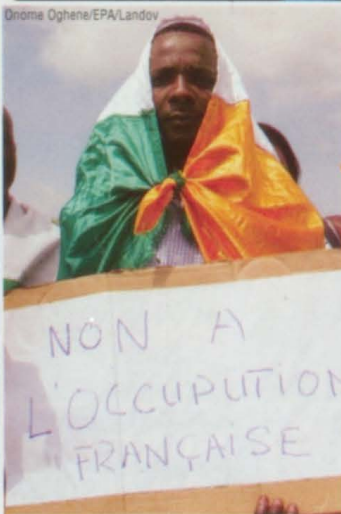
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➤ The United Nations reports the AIDS epidemic is growing in Africa and worsening dramatically across eastern Europe and Asia.

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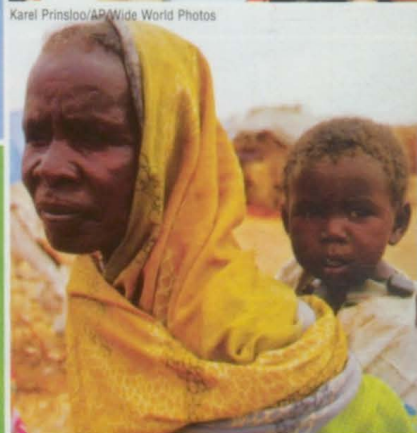


➤ After more than a year of ceasefire, civil war re-ignites in the Ivory Coast as a result of President Gbagbo's ordering air strikes on rebel positions.

➤ The Ukrainian Supreme Court invalidates that country's disputed presidential election because of vote tampering. In the revote, pro-West opposition leader Viktor Yushchenko claims victory.

➤ In September, Chechen rebels kill more than 430 people in a series of terrorist attacks in Russia, including the bloody attack on an elementary schoolhouse.

➤ After 22 months, the conflict in the Darfur region of Sudan continues to grow, leaving more than 2.3 million Africans in need of humanitarian aid.





# human interest

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➤ Due to manufacturing errors, the United States faces a flu vaccine shortage. The U.S. Department of Health reserves vaccinations for those most at risk — people over 65 and infants six to 23 months of age.

➤ In August, the National Underground Railroad Freedom Center opens in Cincinnati, Ohio.

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➤ Countries and individuals around the world join together to pledge over \$4 billion in relief for those devastated by the December tsunami disaster.

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➤ Christopher Reeve dies at age 52. Reeve is remembered for his movie role as Superman and as an advocate for spinal cord research after being paralyzed in an accident in 1995.

➤ According to the Lance Armstrong Foundation, over 20 million people are wearing the yellow "Livestrong" wristbands that help fund and promote the organization's cancer research.

➤ In September, Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates announces a \$168 million donation to fund malaria research.

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Brad Cooper/Dallas Morning News/Courtesy



➤ The National World War II Memorial is unveiled in Washington, D.C., in honor of the millions of Americans who served during World War II in the military and on the home front.

➤ A prolonged deployment of over 200,000 U.S. troops to Iraq leaves many families struggling at home.

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# science-techno

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Portable photo printers that do not require a computer are a hot item for digital camera owners.

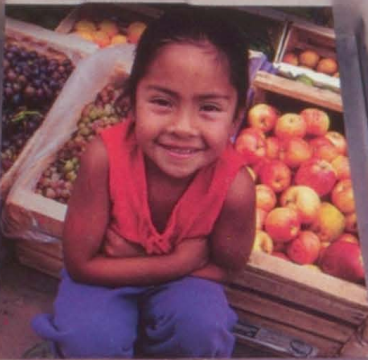
Hong Kong-based toymaker Wow Wee Ltd. sells 1.5 million Robosapiens since the toy's introduction in April. Among other "talents," the \$100 robot can belch and pass gas on command.

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The Food and Drug Administration links the use of antidepressants such as Zoloft, Paxil and Prozac to suicidal behavior in teens.

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SpaceShipOne, the world's first privately developed spacecraft, is named "2004 Invention of the Year" by *Time* magazine.

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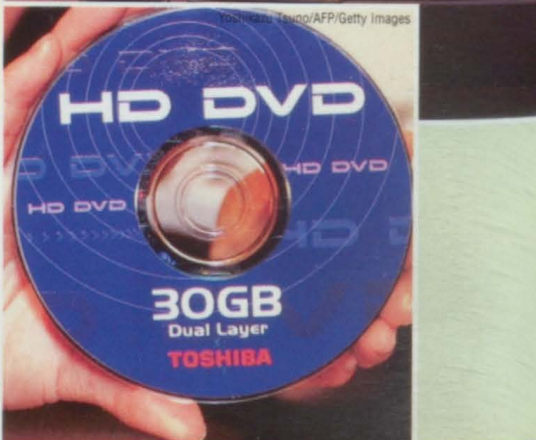
Apple's iPod is the year's hottest tech gadget, fashion accessory and advertising personality, all in one credit-card-size package.

After four years on the market and billions of dollars in revenue, pharmaceutical company Merck recalls the arthritis drug Vioxx due to increased risk for cardiovascular disease.

General Motors releases the industry's first full-size gas-electric hybrid pickup truck, the Chevrolet Silverado.

Toshiba's HD DVD and Sony's Blu-ray battle for supremacy over the next generation of DVD technology. Major movie studios are evenly divided in their backing of the two technologies.

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Amy Lane

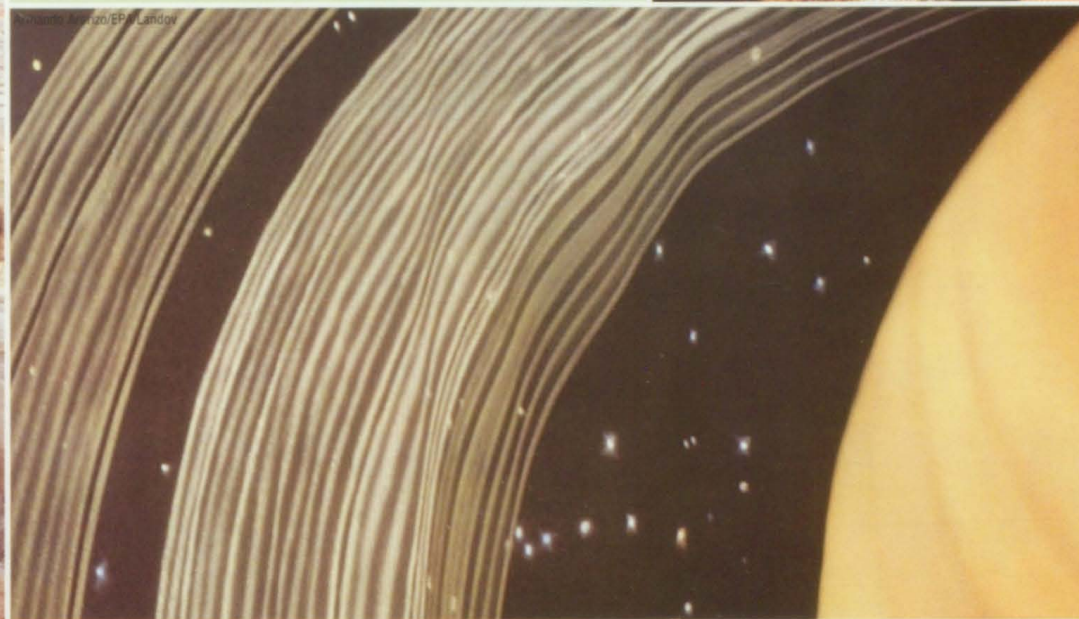
➤ Designer dog breeds like the "Goldendoodle," an allergy-friendly cross between a golden retriever and a poodle, are in high demand.

➤ African lions join the endangered species list because they are being killed to protect domestic livestock and their habitats are being destroyed.

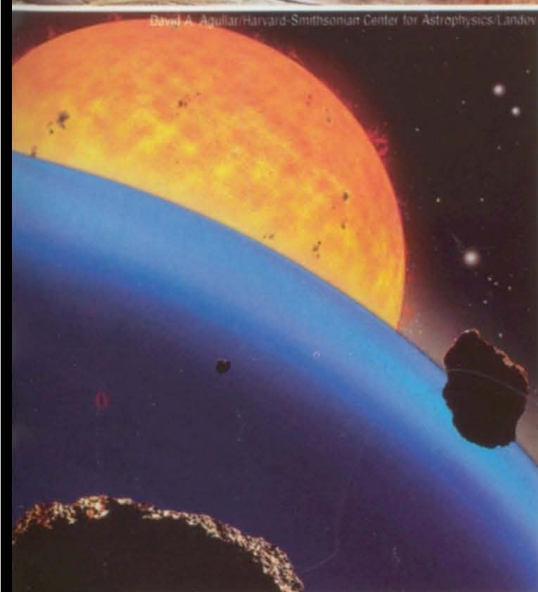


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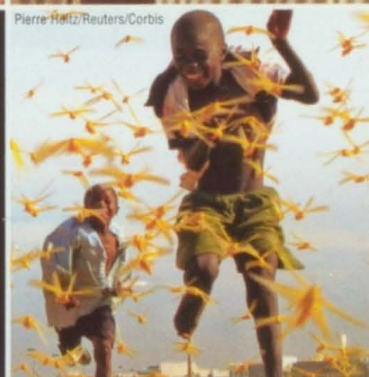
➤ Although Saturn's rings look solid from Earth, images taken by the international Cassini spacecraft show they are more like rivers of dust and ice, with particles ranging in size from specks to mountains.



ESA/Cassini/Hubble



David A. Aguilar/Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics/Landov



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➤ Swarms of locusts destroy millions of acres of crops in West Africa.

➤ In September, astronomers announce the discovery in the Milky Way galaxy of a new and possibly abundant class of planets.

➤ On a remote island in Indonesia, scientists find 18,000-year-old skeletons of a hobbit-like human species that grew no larger than today's average three-year-old child.



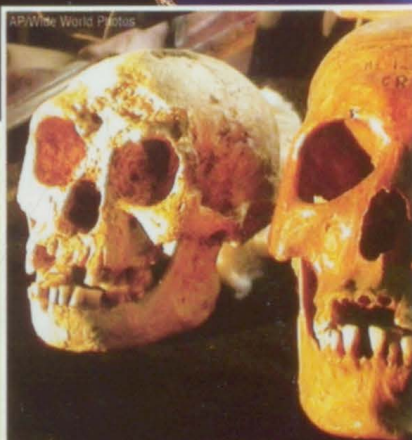
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➤ In October, Mount St. Helens vents ash and steam for the first time since its major eruption in 1980.



➤ Threatened by the spread of hormone-disrupting chemicals and global warming, polar bears are added to the endangered species list.



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# trends



Retro brooches are back



Ugg knockoffs are popular



Squish pillows are a "must-have"



Pink is the hot new color

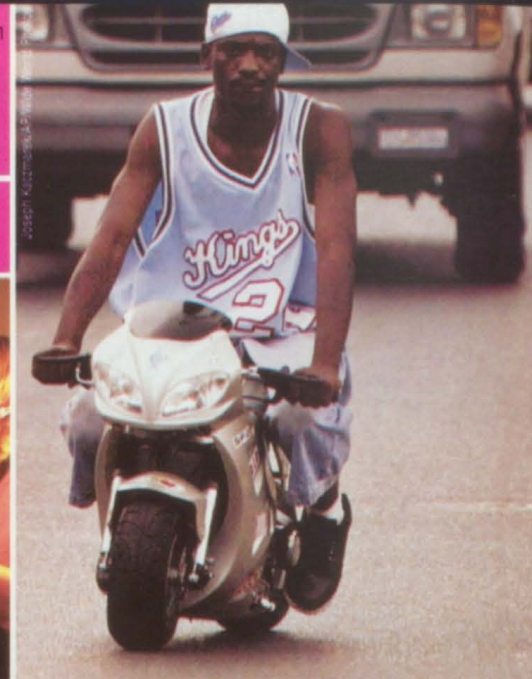


Knitted ponchos are fall's hottest new fashion trend, gracing the shoulders of your classmates and your favorite celebrities.

Pocket bikes top holiday wish lists despite safety warnings that they are not toys.

Airbrush tans, capable of lasting five to 14 days, provide a fashionable and safer alternative to harmful ultra-violet rays.

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Italian link charm bracelets become the biggest jewelry trend of the year.

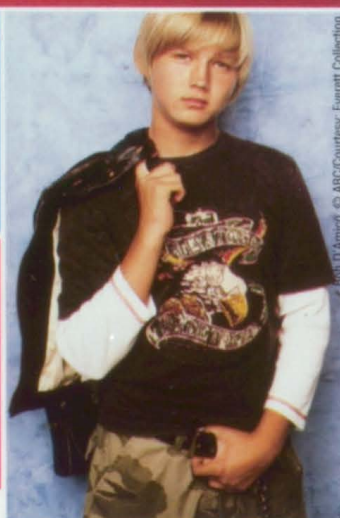


Whether genuine or ordered new from a custom T-shirt store on the Web, vintage '80s iron-on T-shirts are a hot fashion commodity.



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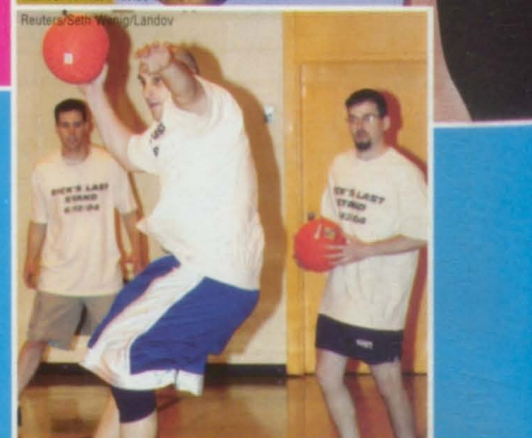
The "grunge" style of the early '90s resurfaces with camouflage patterns and T-shirts with long-sleeve shirts underneath.



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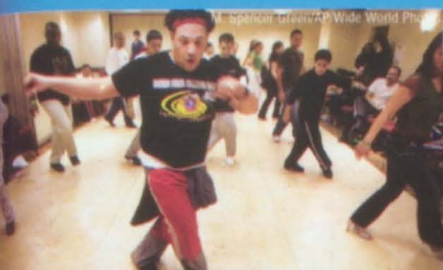
Catch phrases used to encourage people to get out and vote become a fashionable cause, appearing on everything from T-shirts to ties.

Thanks to the popular movie *Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story*, the high-flying, body-bashing sport makes its way back into gymnasiums across the country.





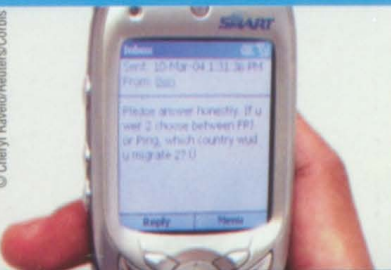
# lifestyle



Latin dancing



Video e-mail



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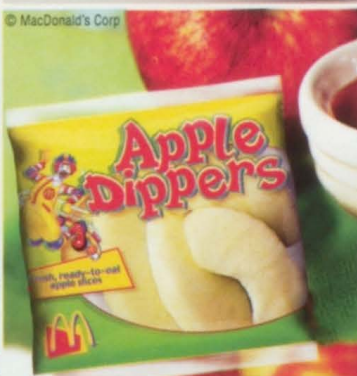
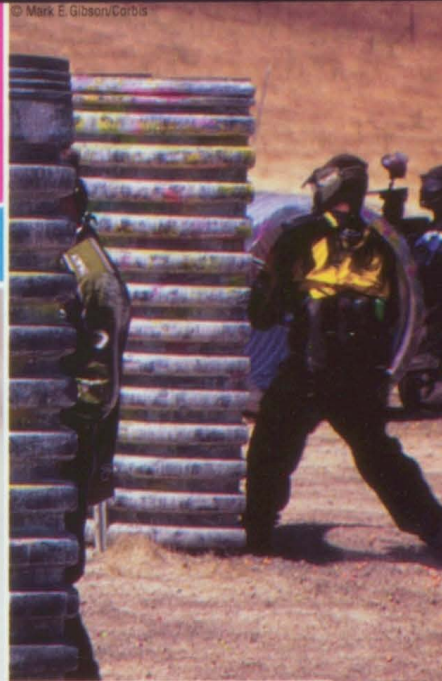
Online gaming



Soft-drink makers join the diet bandwagon with low-carb sodas like Coca-Cola C2 and Pepsi Edge. Sales of the new products, however, quickly go flat.

With more than 7 million participants, paintball is the third most popular extreme sport, behind in-line skating and skateboarding.

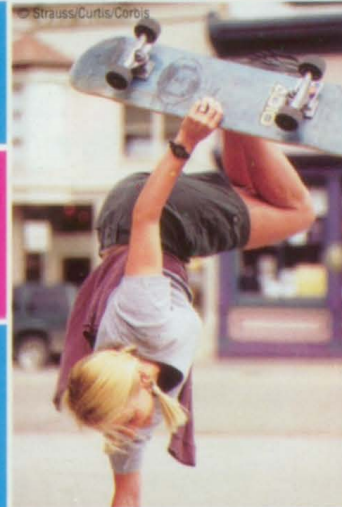
Muscle cars like the revamped Ford Mustang GT regain their presence on American roads.



Fast-food restaurants offer kids' meals with healthy alternatives to fries and soda, including apples and milk.

The scrapbooking craze reaches new heights with more people wanting to capture their memories in creative ways.

With DVDs delivered right to your door and no late fees, Netflix and Blockbuster Online become popular choices for movie rentals.



Bucking the health trend, Hardee's serves up a Monster Thickburger with 1,420 calories and 107 grams of fat.

Events like the All Girl Skate Jam, founded in 1997, bring skateboarding to peak popularity among young girls.





# movies



**Napoleon Dynamite**



**Star Wars: Episode III—Revenge of the Sith**



**National Treasure**



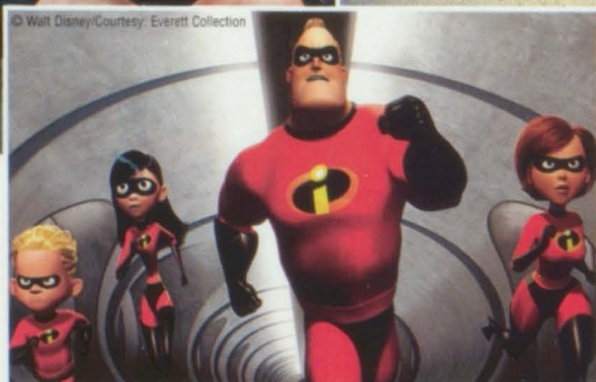
**The SpongeBob SquarePants Movie**



Jim Carrey and Kate Winslet garner Golden Globe nominations for *Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind*, which also earns a nod for Best Picture, Musical or Comedy.

Johnny Depp scores his second straight Oscar nomination for Best Actor with his performance in *Finding Neverland*.

*Shrek 2* ranks third on the list of the 100 top-grossing movies, with a total haul of just over \$436 million.



*The Incredibles*, Pixar and Disney's movie about a superhero family trying to live a normal life in the suburbs, is a box-office smash.

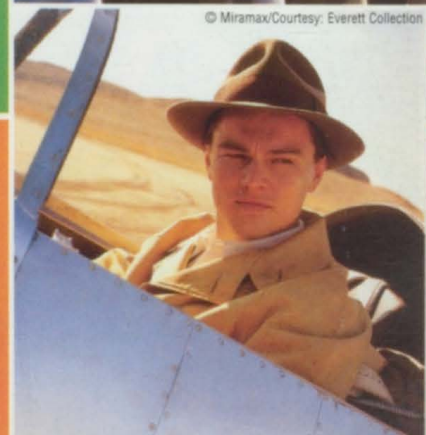
Clint Eastwood directs another hit with *Million Dollar Baby*, starring Hilary Swank as a 31-year-old boxer.



Jamie Foxx delivers an eerily convincing and Oscar-nominated performance as the late Ray Charles in *Ray*.

Already named best picture by film critics from New York to Los Angeles, independent film *Sideways* finds even more celebrity with a leading seven Golden Globe nominations.

*The Aviator*, starring Leonardo DiCaprio in the role of eccentric billionaire Howard Hughes, earns eleven Oscar nominations.

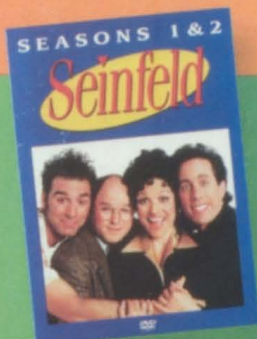




# television



NBC's "Joey"



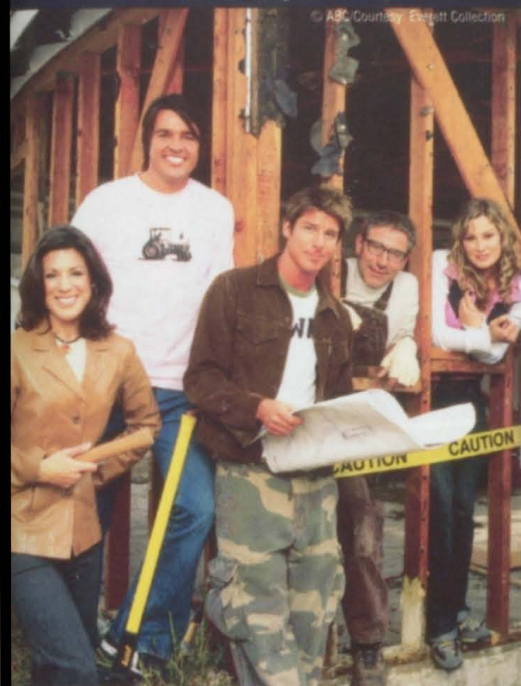
"Seinfeld" is released on DVD



The WB's "One Tree Hill"



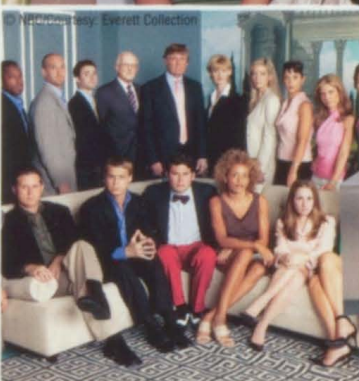
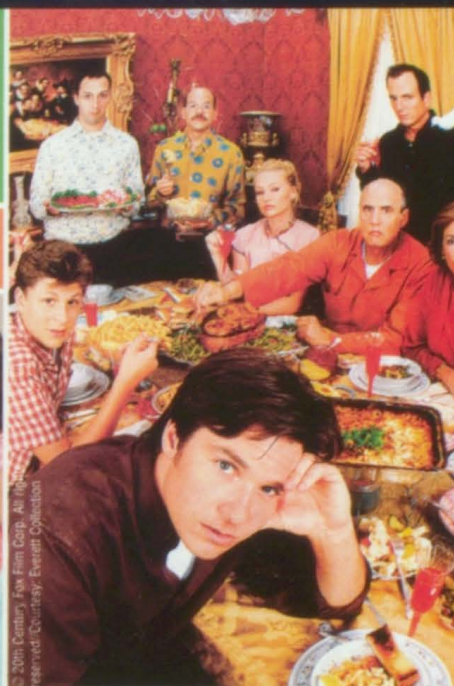
ABC's "Wife Swap"



● Ty Pennington and company improve lives while making homes better on the successful ABC home improvement show "Extreme Makeover: Home Edition."

● Fox's "Arrested Development" wins the Emmy for Best Comedy Series after an inaugural year that is critically acclaimed but poorly rated.

● Stephen, "Lo," Kristen and friends bring their real Orange County adventures to MTV in the hit reality show "Laguna Beach."



● "You're fired!" becomes a household phrase as Donald Trump plows through executive wannabes on his hit NBC show, "The Apprentice."

● ABC gets big ratings from its new hit drama "Lost," the intriguing story of 48 plane crash survivors stranded on an island.

● To kick off her 19th season of CBS's "The Oprah Winfrey Show," Oprah and Pontiac join forces to give each of the 276 audience members a brand new Pontiac G6.



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● Pausing and recording live television with DVR is rapidly replacing VCRs in households across America.

● Before his unbelievable 74-game winning streak comes to an end, NBC's "Jeopardy!" contestant Ken Jennings wins \$2,520,700 — a TV game show record. He delivers over 2,700 correct responses.

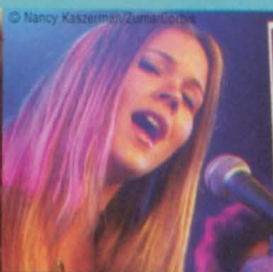




# music



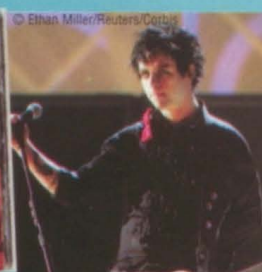
Destiny's Child reunites



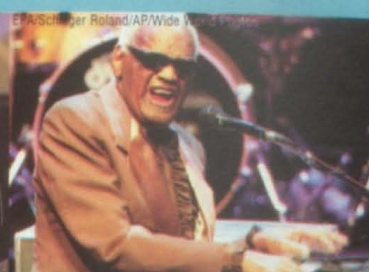
Joss Stone



Julie Roberts



Green Day



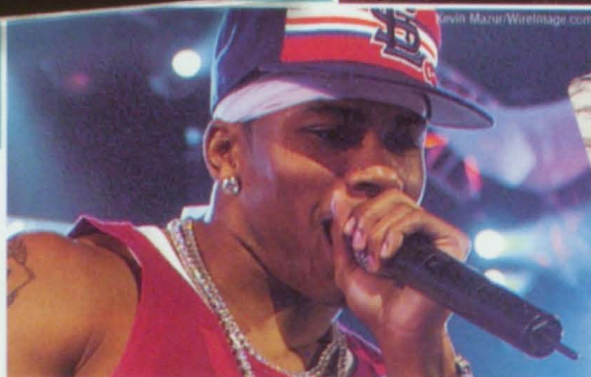
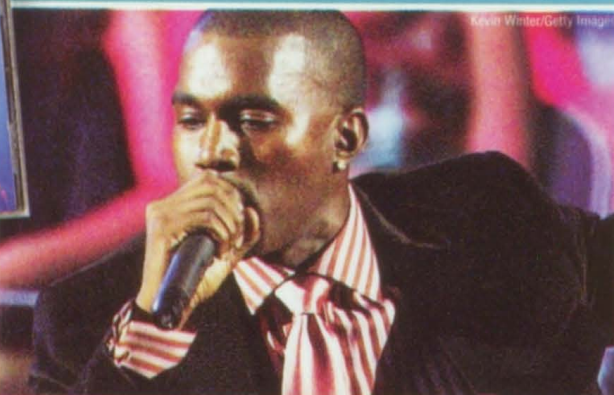
Ray Charles dies at age 73



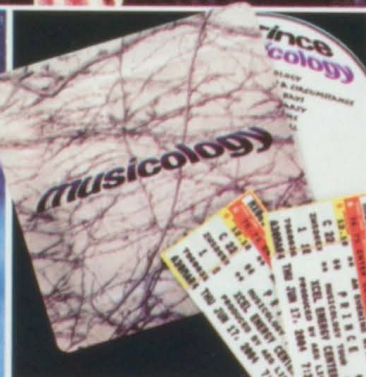
With bands like Interpol, The Killers and Snow Patrol, alternative rock returns to the mainstream music scene in a big way.

U2's new album *How to Dismantle an Atomic Bomb* hits No. 1 in *Billboard* magazine, and the band is inducted into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame in March 2005.

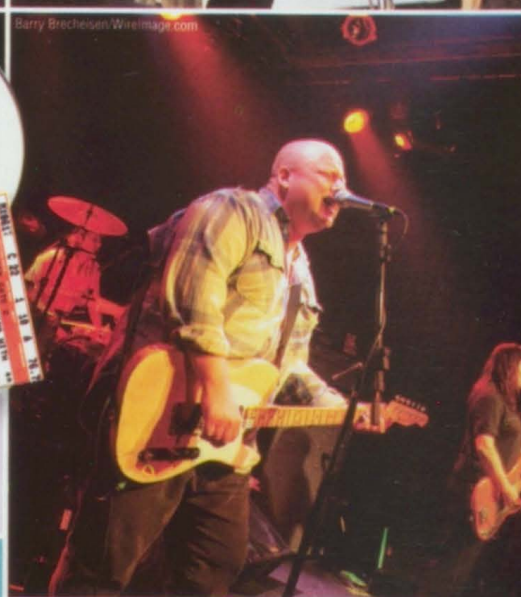
Rapper Kanye West collects a whopping 10 Grammy nominations, including Album of the Year, for his debut *The College Dropout*.



Nelly continues to wrap up big sales and hit songs with the simultaneous release of his two albums, *Sweat and Suit*.

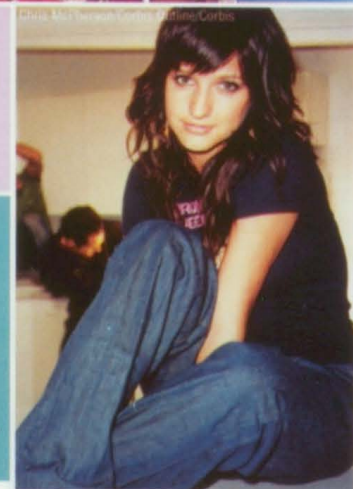


Pop superstar Prince gives his concert ticket-holders something to cheer about before the concerts start ... a free copy of his *Musicology* CD.

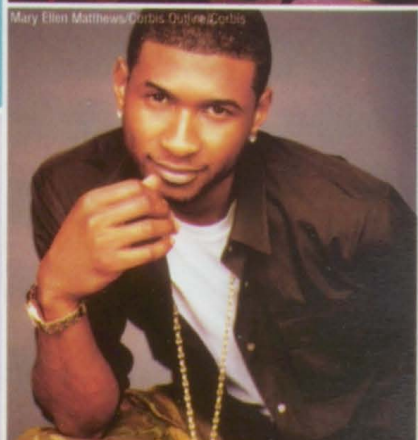


Legendary '80s alternative rock band The Pixies, known for inspiring "grunge" music, reunites after 13 years for a sold-out U.S. and European tour.

Ashlee Simpson, Jessica's younger sister, makes headlines with her triple-platinum debut album *Autobiography* and a lip-synching gaffe on NBC's "Saturday Night Live."



In December, Usher dominates the *Billboard* Music Awards, taking home 11 awards, including Album of the Year for *Confessions*.





# entertainment



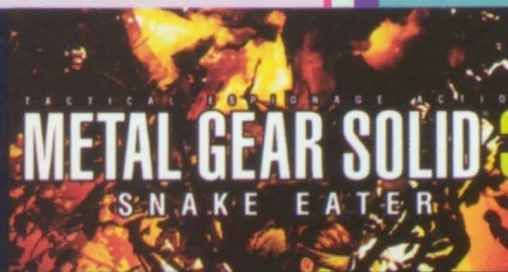
"Half-Life 2"



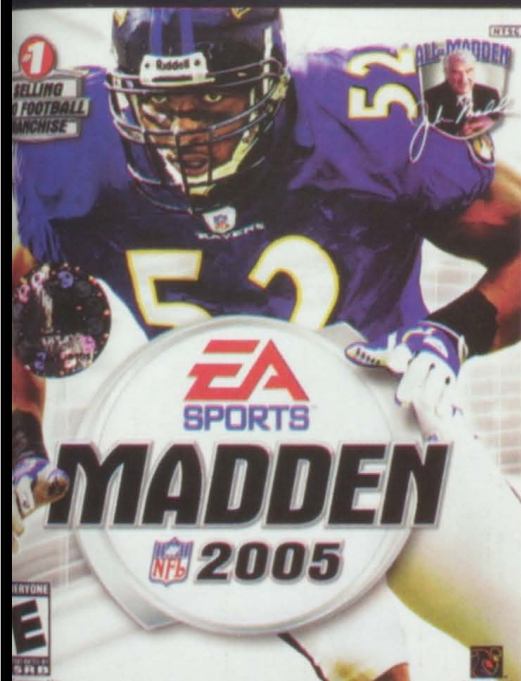
"K.O.T.O.R. II"



"Mario Golf Advance Tour"



"Metal Gear Solid 3: Snake Eater"



Video game giant Electronic Arts buys exclusive rights to the teams, players and stadiums of the NFL for its popular Madden video game franchise.

After three years, Microsoft and Bungie Studios release the most eagerly anticipated video game sequel, Halo 2. Over 5 million copies of the game sell in the first month.

The newest trend in video games is to go "old school," with plug-and-play systems featuring '80s games from the likes of Atari and Namco.



2004 is the year of celebrities having babies, as Courtney Cox-Arquette, Gwyneth Paltrow, Kate Hudson, Julia Roberts, Liv Tyler and others all become first-time mothers.

Thousands of young people become avid poker players, a trend sparked by TV shows featuring tournaments for celebrities and professional poker players.

The challenging "Metroid Prime 2: Echoes" takes home the prize as IGN.com's Gamecube Game of the Year.



The hottest "hard-to-get" toy for the holidays is the Nintendo DS handheld gaming system.

Even though it won't reach bookstores until July 16, 2005, preorders in December help J.K. Rowling's *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince* top several best-seller lists.



# sports

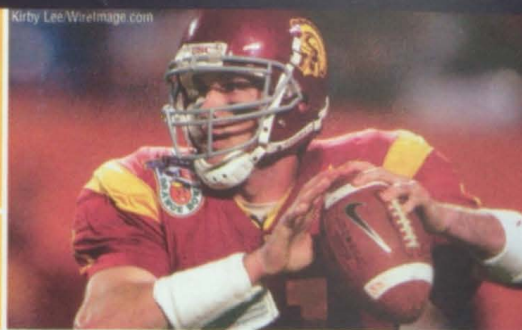


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➤ Ironman Lance Armstrong wins his record-setting sixth straight Tour de France.

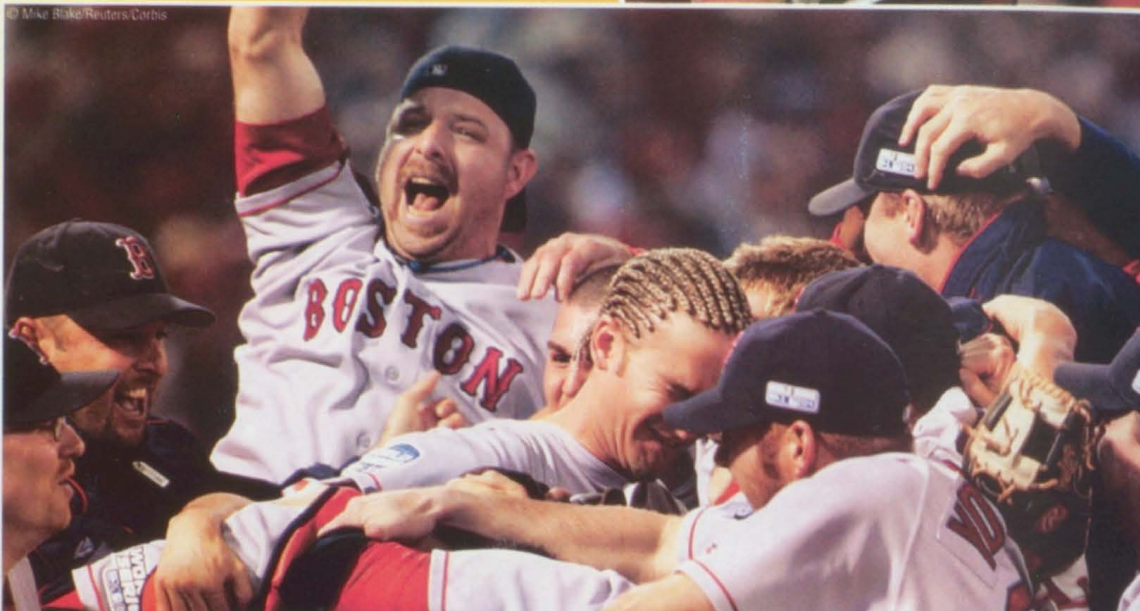
➤ Heisman Trophy winner Matt Leinart leads the USC Trojans to a second consecutive NCAA National Championship by routing the Oklahoma Sooners in the FedEx Orange Bowl, 55-19.

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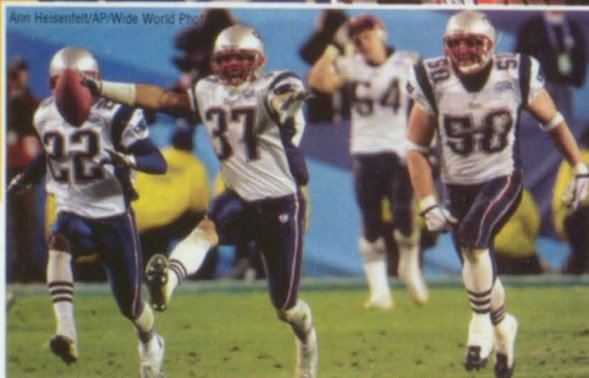


➤ With a series sweep of the St. Louis Cardinals, the Boston Red Sox lift the "Curse of the Bambino" to win their first World Series title since 1918.

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➤ The New England Patriots defeat the Philadelphia Eagles, 24-21, to repeat as Super Bowl Champions. They have won three of the last four Super Bowls.

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➤ Following his win in September at the Deutsche Bank Championship, Vijay Singh unseats Tiger Woods as the world's No. 1 golfer.

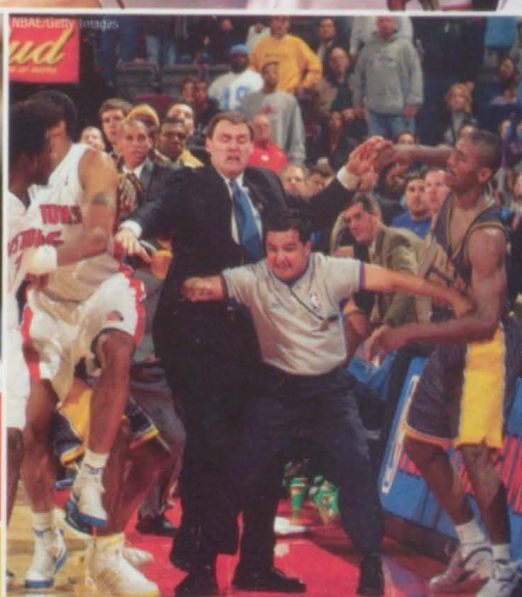
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➤ In December, Indianapolis Colts quarterback Peyton Manning throws his record-setting 49th touchdown pass of the season.

➤ In one of the worst brawls in U.S. sports history, five Indiana Pacers players clash with Detroit Pistons fans on court and in the stands. The Pacers' Ron Artest is suspended for the year for his involvement.

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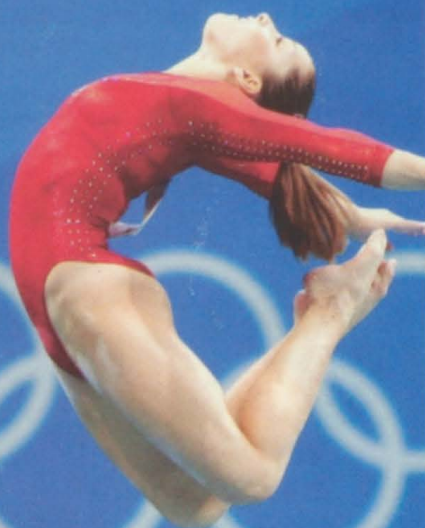
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➤ Russian teenage tennis star Maria Sharapova defeats Serena Williams to claim the Wimbledon title. Thanks to lucrative sponsorship deals, Sharapova ends the year as the world's richest sportswoman.



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Carly Patterson joins Mary Lou Retton as the only American gymnasts to win the women's all-around Olympic gold medal.

Michael Phelps swims his way to eight individual Olympic medals, six gold and two bronze.

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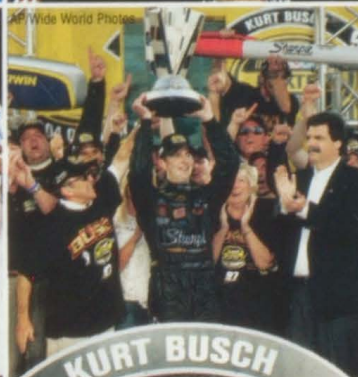
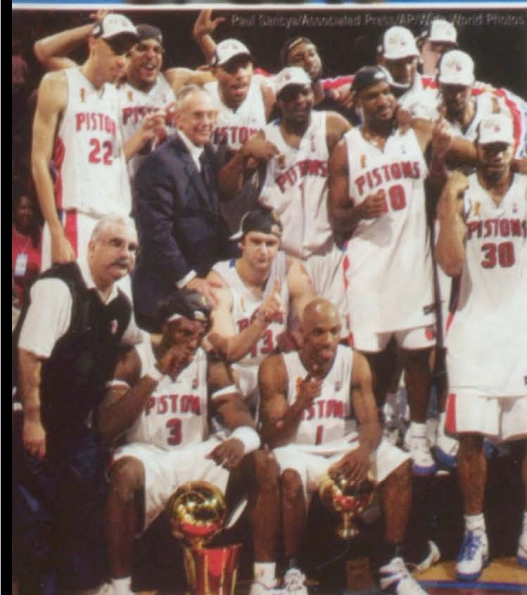
## ATHENS 2004

Together for the last time, the "Fab Five" of U.S. women's soccer — Julie Foudy, Joy Fawcett, Mia Hamm, Kristine Lilly and Brandi Chastain — bring home an Olympic gold medal.

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Kurt Busch wins the NASCAR Nextel Cup. It is his first career title and the closest battle in cup history.

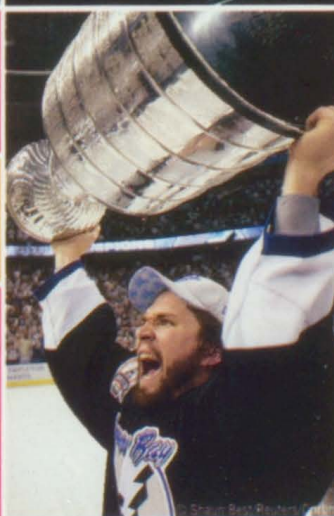
The Detroit Pistons, led by Ben Wallace and finals MVP Chauncey Billups, win the 2004 NBA title.

Barry Bonds joins Babe Ruth and Hank Aaron as baseball's only 700+ home run hitters. However, his performance falls under scrutiny after it is revealed that Bonds and other major leaguers have been using illegal steroids.



The NHL takes the 2004-2005 season off as players and team owners fail to come to an agreement on players' salary limitations.

The Tampa Bay Lightning claim the 2004 NHL Stanley Cup by winning the seventh game of the Stanley Cup Finals, 2-1, over the Calgary Flames.



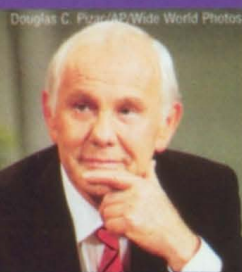
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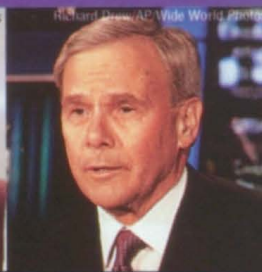
Marlon Brando dies at age 80



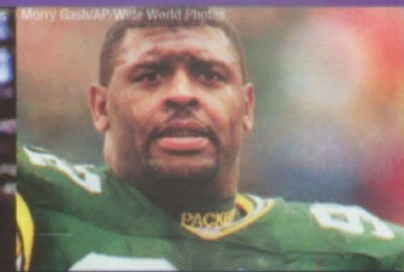
Johnny Carson dies at 79



Dan Rather retires



Tom Brokaw signs off



Reggie White dies at age 43



In a year of entertainment dominated by teen queens, Lindsay Lohan makes the biggest splash of the bunch with the hit movie *Mean Girls* and her debut CD *Speak*.

Mattie Stepanek dies from a form of muscular dystrophy at age 13. He was known as a best-selling poetry author and the Muscular Dystrophy Association's National Goodwill Ambassador from 2002 through 2004.

In remembrance of those who have died and those who continue to risk their lives in the war in Iraq.



Ukrainian presidential candidate Viktor Yushchenko suffers from debilitating illness and scarring caused by dioxin poisoning, allegedly at the hands of his opponents.



Democratic vice presidential and presidential nominees John Edwards and John Kerry make the 2004 election a very close race.



Actor Zach Braff from NBC's "Scrubs" makes his big screen acting, writing and directorial debut in the critically acclaimed *Garden State*.

Rodney Dangerfield, 82, veteran comedian famous for getting "no respect," dies from complications following heart surgery.



Former NFL player Pat Tillman, who chose the Armed Forces over the NFL, is killed while on duty in Afghanistan.

