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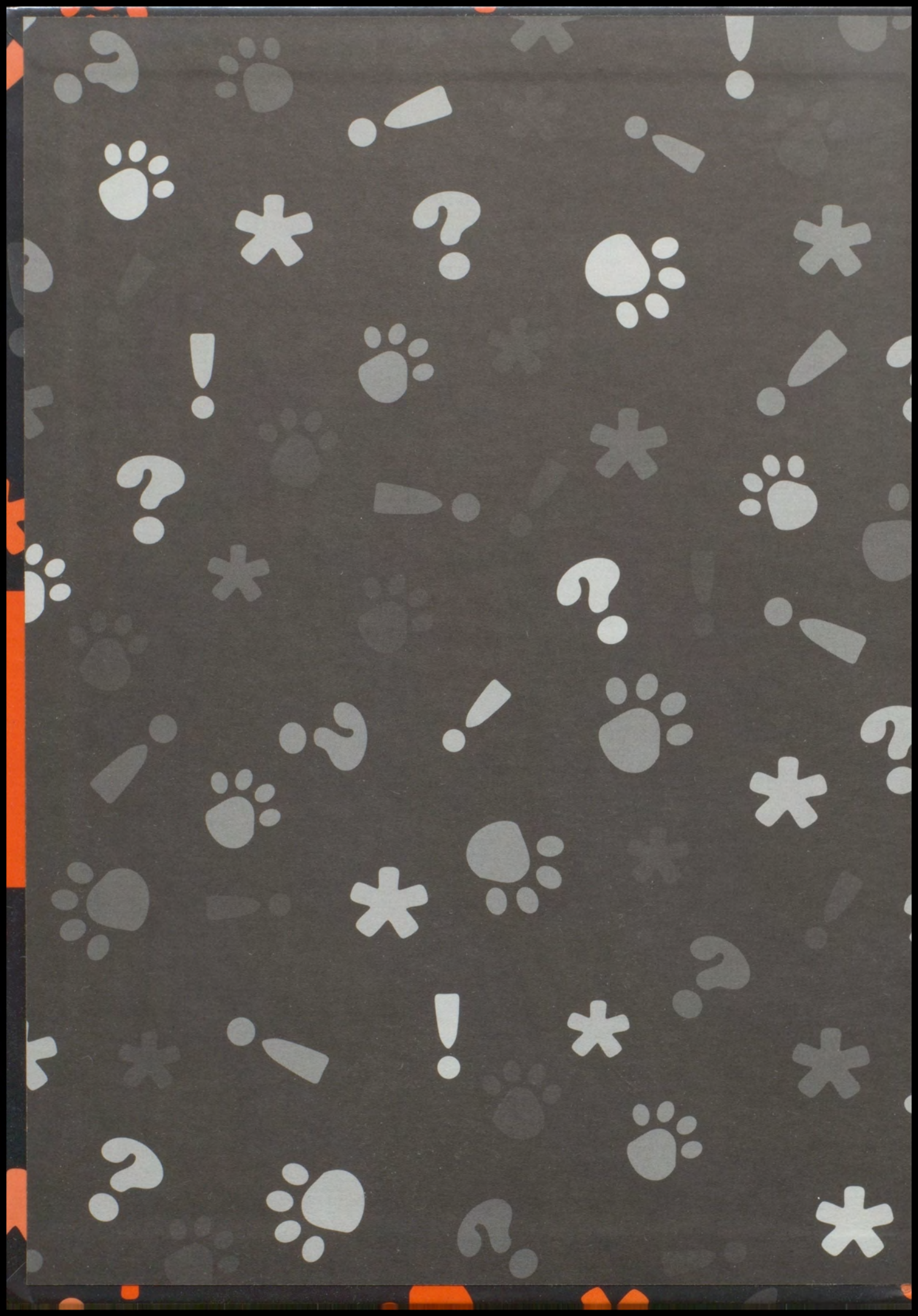


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1995 YEARBOOK NEEDS NO EXPLANATIONS!

No Explanations Needed!!!!! This is the theme of the 1994-95 *Orange and Black* yearbook. The staff of the yearbook feels that this is an appropriate title since our school needs "no explanations, excuses, etc." Independence High School is a good school and provides us a quality education. This yearbook is an attempt to show what each year is like We have tried our best to include everyone in it. Have we succeeded? Probably not, but we tried. We were able, however, to include as many students and as many activities as we could to give a cross-section of I.H.S. life. Was every activity included? No. Did we try ? Yes. To include all of the activities in our school would be like typing the Encyclopedia Brittanica in triplicate.

We, the staff, feel that this yearbook needs no explanations because we have tried our best. Each year we try to do this yearbook differently. We try different approaches, different layouts, different coverage. We don't want this yearbook to look or read like last year. We want each year to be different. If you are upset because this year is different from last year's annual, we say a sincere "Thank you."

We hope that you have had the best year possible and will be able to reminisce the moments that made it this way when you wander through the pages of the 1994-95 *Orange and Black*. Allow the pictures and stories to recapture the special times you have had this year in your school. Good luck to all in the future!!!!!!!

Sincerely,

The 1994-95 *Orange & Black* Staff



Photo by Kim Johnston



Photo by Ryan Lundt

Tyrone Henderson, above, slams a basketball during a noon activity. The gym was open during noon hour for the first of the year but with the Ash Center, it was not open at noon for very long. Sarah Caflisch and Christy Frye, below, wave to the crowd during Neewollah. The students spent time downtown eating and greeting friends.



Photo by Angela Hickel

The meeting of the Ryans. The two seniors, left, Ryan Garey and Ryan Lundt, discuss senior arithmetic, industrial league basketball or some other pressing problem during sixth hour class. These two seniors provided leadership throughout their four year high school career.

IHS STUDENTS BALANCE WORK AND PLAY



Photo by Angel Wood



Photo by Kim Johnston

(Left) During a pep assembly this year, Dereck Renfro represented the seniors by being a cheerleader. Representatives from each classes "auditioned" for cheerleader. The class cheering the loudest (seniors) won the spirit stick. A group of Spanish students (above) work together in Mr. Shire's class. Brian Fienen and Hollie Journot help the other two students with work.



Photo by Erin Chapman

Above, Rosie Stevens helps supervise Jared Britt during Mr. Jim Hogan's woodworking class. Top right, seniors, Sean Torrence, Craig Williams, Jay Jones, and Jason Finney discuss an assignment in Mrs. Spencer's senior English class. Right, seniors Kendra Williams and Amy Spencer take turns using the pop machine while working at the concession stand at a basketball game.



Photo by Angel Wood



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BELIEVE IN THE MAGIC OF '94



Photo by Kathy Barbi.

Photo by Angela Hickel.



Jason Coltharp, a freshman, shows a different side of Neewollah by calling a friend to join him, or was it someone else to get a ride home?

"Watching the Marines at the bandstand on Saturday night was the best part. It was cold but a lot of fun being with my friends."

Angela Hickel
junior

Queen LIII, Kelly Springer stands with her mom, Pat, who is a former Queen herself. Kelly's talent was a cello selection.

"The whole pageant was a lot of fun and being selected was a total shock. So many of the girls were so deserving of the crown. The best part was my escort."

Kelly Springer
Queen Neelah



Photo by Samantha Allen.

Tara Bruce is escorted by Tony Turner to the Queen's Corornation. Tara sang "Paper Moon" by Natalie Cole.

Angie Mayes, junior, and Beckie Sharret, freshman, strut their stuff during the Neewollah Grand Parade. The band also competed in the marching festival.

Photo by Samantha Allen.





Photo by Tera Duke.

Sara Caflisch, sophomore, digs through her bucket for a piece of candy. Do you think she'll share with the rest of us?

NEEWOLLAH CAPTIVATES STUDENTS



Photo by Kathy.

Sophomores Erin Dennis, Melissa Reynolds, Wendy Bryant, and Danielle Buckles, do their Nellah Deb routine during Queen's Talent Competition. Being selected is a special honor for these young ladies.



Photo by Tera Duke.

Independence High School Band members, under Don Farthing, wander aimlessly down Penn. Ave. during the Doo Dah Parade. Luckily they looked and marched better during the band competition at the stadium where they received a one rating.



Photo by Samantha Allen.

Varsity cheerleaders Julie Patton, Jinny Burdett, Sheree Watson, Trenis Hayes, Lindy Smith, and Lisa Werner carry the traditional Neewollah banner during the opening of the Newollah Grand Parade.



Photo by Tera Duke.

Ryan David, junior, staggers off the Starship 2000, the newest adventure at the carnival.

"Neewollah was a great time this year. I got to meet a lot of new people and had a blast. I think the best part was the Marine Rock Band who played downtown for one of the street acts."
Angel Wood
Senior

Neewollah... A timeless tradition. Yes, 1994 brought yet another year of vivid memories for the I.H.S. students. From the flashy blazers of the flag corps to the first mother-daughter queen combination, this year's festivities definitely were not for the faint of heart. New rides, superior entertainment, and tasty food--these all attracted Bulldogs to the downtown area. Perhaps the activities at Memorial Hall created the most excitement, however. With dozens of I.H.S. students in the production of Bye Bye Birdie, and the Queen Neelah competition, everyone was truly able to have a good time and "Believe In The Magic."

The excitement for Neewollah starts building at the first part of the school year. This year was an especially good year for the students since the weather cooperated and the entire week was warm and clear. Another contributing factor was the fact the quarter ended on Friday of Neewollah so that day there was no school and classes were dismissed for in-service and grading.

A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A BULLDOG



Photo by David Torbett



They're taking it to state!! Above, countless Bulldog fans show their support of the boys' basketball players. This photo, taken after the win of sub-state, exemplified the type of support shown by the Bulldog fans. Left, an IHS alumni makes an appearance in the classroom. Angie Bannworth came back to visit senior advanced-placement English classes during part of the first semester. Angie, practicing for her future teaching career is shown here with Mrs. Spencer and Kim Wilson during her rendition of the poem *The Congo*.



Photo by David torbett

Independence High School sponsors and coaches, above, were honored at a breakfast in the fall given by the Independence High School Student Council. This was part of the national observance national activity week.

Oh those dreaded papers! Right, Heather Counsil types in the seminar room. Next to Heather is Mrs. Tabitha Stevens, who was a student teacher, amd taught at the high school during the 1995 year.



Photo by David Torbett

STUDENTS INVOLVED IN COUNTLESS AREAS



Photo by David Torbett



Photo by David Torbett

1995 *Orange and Black* editor, Erin Chapman, and assistant editor, Angela Hickel, are shown above working hand-in-hand to distribute the 1994 yearbooks. Here, Gina Fienen is receiving her yearbook.

Below, Cory McCollam works diligently to catch up on some study time. As we all know, homework is a big part of a high school student's career.



Photo by Samantha Allen

Neewollah always involves many IHS students. Above, Nikki Caputo and Jason McKenzie walk into the Memorial Hall for the Queen Neelah competition. Neelah Deb Christy VanFossen stands aside. Below, Valerie Baber, Jonathan Fairbank, and Mr. Jackson arrive from a driver's ed lesson. Note that they are still in one piece.

Photo by Jeanee Williams





Photo by David Torbett

CLASS OF 1995

What is it like to be a Senior??? To be a Senior is to be singled out; not only for being a Senior, but for your accomplishments as well. To be a Senior is also to be leader for underclassmen who look up to you for guidance.

The accomplishments, achievements, and changes, whether they are academic or athletic, in our high school over the past four years are too numerous to possibly list them all but for those individuals who were a part of I.H.S. "history-in-the-making," I can guarantee that each person has probably attached special memories to every thing that has happened.

If there is one thing I've learned over the past four years is that Seniors have to be the strangest bunch of people you'll ever meet. It's always interesting that, for a group of people who are so ready to graduate and get out of high school, they are usually the last teary-eyed people, frantically running around hugging and saying good-byes, to leave the foyer on their last day of school. But then again, why not? They spend four years or more with the same people, making good friends, now having to go their own way and suddenly being forced "out in the real world" making grown-up decisions.

What people say about your Senior year being the best year of your high school life is definitely true. Sure, many memories are made in the other grades, but the best ones and the ones you'll remember forever are often made your Senior year.

The Senior year is not a time to slow down, but to achieve, learn, grow, and reflect the good times, the bad times...until graduation.

Congratulations Senior Class of 1995! It's hard to believe that twelve years of school and working hard to make the grades has come to an end. It seems as though it was just yesterday that we were out on the playground playing four-square and kickball. Remember Middle School dances, being on teams, and the campout-- what a good time!!! It also seems like not too long ago that we just came to the high school as freshmen, and after four years filled of homework, memories, and fun, we have finally graduated!! We have succeeded and not only made our families and faculty proud, but ourselves as well. Whatever your call in life might be, I wish each and every Senior in the Class of 1995 good luck and have faith so once again, in the future, we can come together..... as the Class of 1995.

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Tiffany Crow



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Terra Davison



Jama DeFever



Mandy Dewoody



Kelsey Dodson



Shannon Dodson



Amber Dowlin



Michael Edgar



Tara Elliott



Spencer Farris



Brad Fienen



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Latisha Hayes



Woodman Hayes



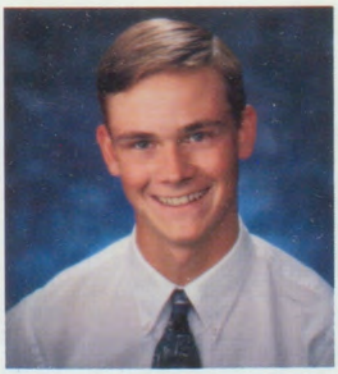
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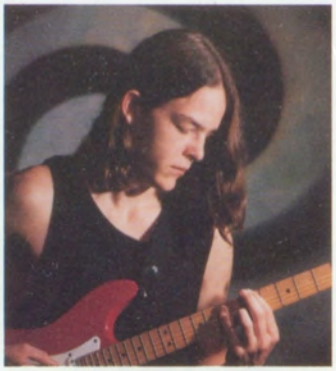
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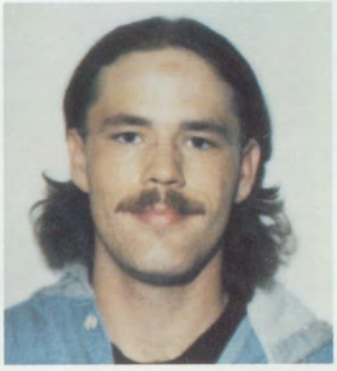
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Trevis Freeman
Julie Hackett
Dejuan Henderson
Donny Hinds
Chad Hornsby
Michael "Tex" Hughes
Rashon Johnson
Jamie Kier
Michael Mitchell
Dawn Niver
Alvaro Prieto
Jeremy Ramey
Mike Reddick
Benjamin Tolleson
Erich Umlauf
Angel Wood



Two Independence High School foreign exchange students share Spring Break pictures with Mrs. Gloria McCray. The seniors are Luchy Monsalve and Betty Gonzalez. Many of the exchange students come from Central and South America and Europe and Southeast Asia in order to experience the American culture. For many of these students, high school graduation has taken place in their home countries and the American experience is one that simply enriches the total education of the individual.



Tera Davison and Brian Blandamer relax during the closing minutes of a study hall at Independence High School. Many seniors enrolled in study halls in order to complete homework at school, lighten the academic loard, provide more time for working outside of school, or just because classes were not available. These two seniors have completed the study for the day and are listening to another student's concern about homework. Chris Linder, right, starts the lonely trek down 500 hall to Mrs. Thompson's room.



Erich Umlauf, senior, attempts to max-out during weight training class at IHS. Eric enrolled in the class to build his body, fill his schedule, do less homework, and sweat during school. The class meets in what was once the wrestling room but was originally the garage for parking the school vehicles. Weight lifting is one of the various classes offered in the physical education department.



CLASS OF 1995 ACTIVE IN AND OUT OF SCHOOL

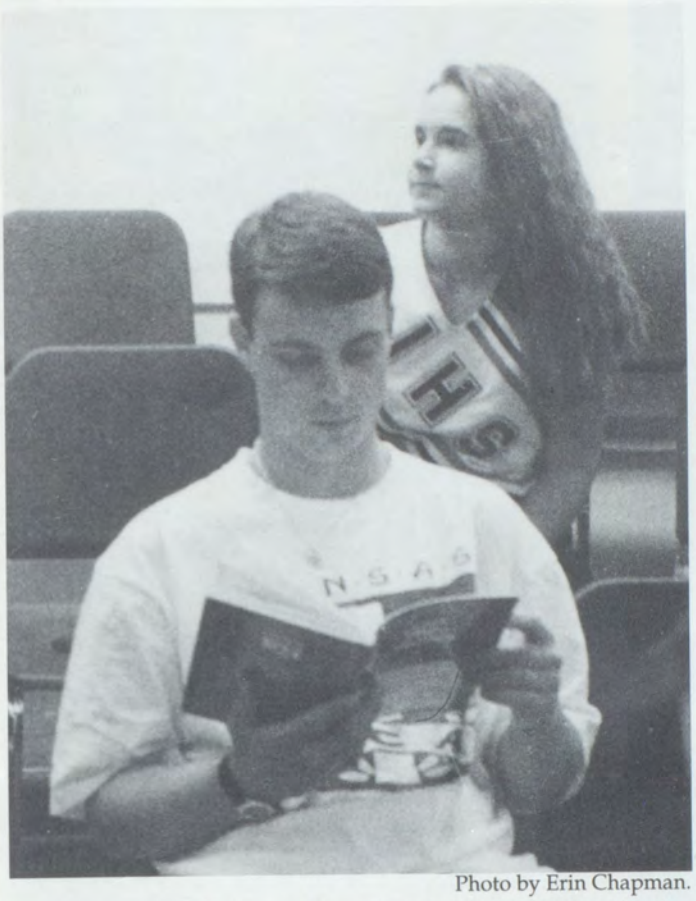


Photo by Erin Chapman.

Above: Adam Sikes, while sitting in choir, studies for his next class. Although Adam should be singing, he seems to be more involved in his book, as he reads to catch up. Wendy Bryan watches the clock on the wall, to see if she has time to talk to someone before class starts for the day.



Photo by Angela Hickel.

Jessica Kemp, senior, sits in the foyer to finish up some paperwork. She might be doing homework for a class, but more likely she is stapling papers together for Mrs. Spencer. Jessica served as teacher assistant for Mrs Spencer this year. When Jessica works, it is important that she is comfortable. To achieve this feeling, she has removed her shoes--or is she counting?



Photo by Erin Chapman.

Woodman Hayes and Paul Stevens stand in the South parking lot talking after school. Perhaps they are planning the weekend together, or are just talking about events of the past day. Jason Blex, right, stares off into space prior to the start of media class. Jason's daydreaming in class has dropped off dramatically since his freshman and sophomore years at Independence High School.



Photo by Erin Chapman.

SENIOR LIVES REFLECT MUCH DIVERSITY



Photo by Lifetouch

A part of every senior's career consists of term papers--especially once you get into Mrs. Spencer's English class. Here, Ryan Garey and Ryan Lundt demonstrate some of the hard work that is put into a research paper.



Photo by Harley Matthews

Twenty-one...twenty-two...or was it twenty-five? This year a teacher homecoming was held for the second year. Students carried bottles for the various teachers, collecting money. The money was used for the Christmas Adopt-A-Family fund. In this photo, Sarah Howe counts money from Mr. Landwehr's bottle.

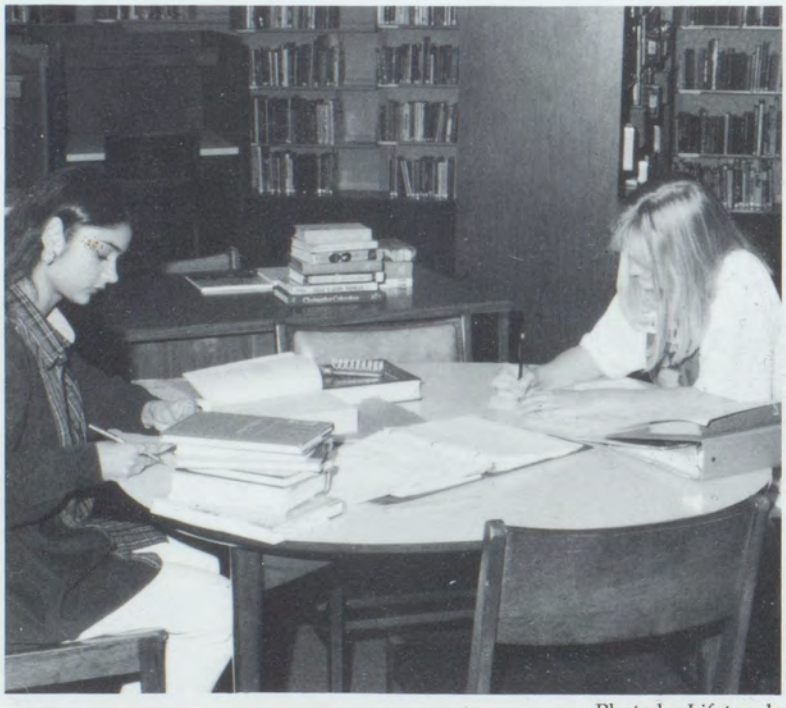


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So many books, so little time! Mansi Patel and Jessica Kemp study intently in the library, researching for, once more, a research paper. The library sometimes seems like a second home for the seniors. If this is the case, carrying around the vocabulary words is comparable to having the responsibility of carrying around a child. The seniors generally feel very relieved when the Senior English experience is completed.



Photo by Harley Matthews

Chris Linder, IHS senior and student council president, addresses the crowd at the downtown fall homecoming pep rally. Obviously, either Chris is overdressed for the pep rally or she has another responsibility later in the evening. The rally also featured the community college.

CLASS OF '95 PREPARES FOR THE FUTURE



Photo by Angel Wood

Tiffany Crow leans in to make sure that what she is hearing from Shana Mitchell is correct. Sarah Howe, center, has her attention grabbed by something else occuring down the hallway.



Photo by Harley Matthews

Oh yes! The senior float during the homecoming parade downtown Independence. The seniors expressed strong sentiments that their float was the winner. However, the judges felt differently. The senior float was another example of this class working together, having fun together, and providing the leadership for the school. The game was played against Labette County and the seniors used a rodeo theme. The Grizzly, above, is Erin Chapman; the clown Sam Carnes.

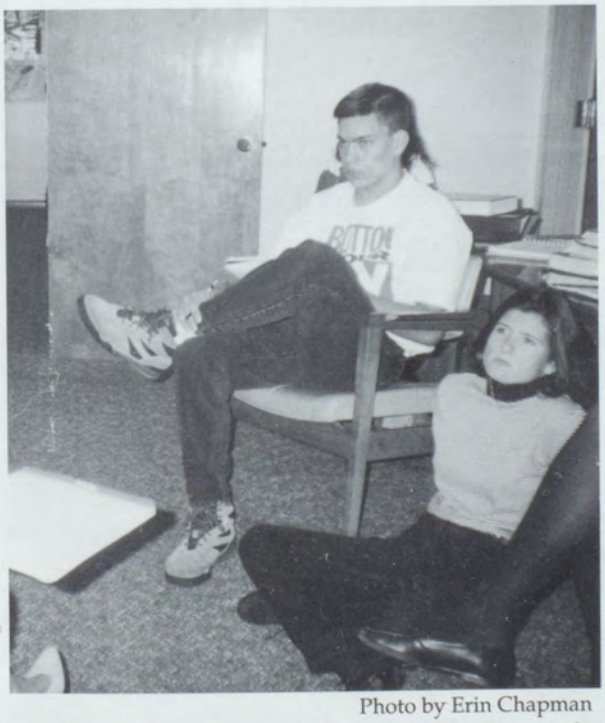


Photo by Erin Chapman

Senior officers meet in the principal's office to discuss some of the year's activities.Kelsey Dodson sits on the floor while Ryan Lundt listens to Mrs. Brookshier.



Photo by Lifetouch

Please, may I check this out early? Mrs. Shirley Slater, librarian, and Mrs. Dena Schicke, library assistant, hear this request throughout the year. The library staff works hard to help the seniors complete their projects on time. Meeting deadlines is a very important part of the senior experience. Seniors not only have academic deadlines but also have deadlines for ordering announcements, caps and gowns, and various other items during the senior year.

JOCK'S NITCH



The familiar exterior of Jock's Nitch is about as unique as the store itself. The owners spent time and effort to restore the building close to its original appearance. Also, just a couple of years ago, the inside was remodelled so that the antique tin ceiling was restored, keeping with the mainstreet restoration idea in the downtown.





Very few students at Independence High School will go to school a week without wearing something purchased at Jock's Nitch. Above, the massive display of t-shirts, shorts, pants, sweatshirts, and other articles of clothing are displayed. Above right , the shoe collection is partially displayed. Shoes representing practically every sport are available at Jock's Nitch. With its buying power, it is on leading edge of stocking a wide variety of shoes and the most recent technologically developed footwear. If the shoe is made, Jock's Nitch can usually find it, get it into the store and sell it to the customeer. The store also stocks a large variety of athletic socks.

FALL SPORTS

Varsity football	22	Cross Country	30
Junior Varsity Football	24	Girls' Tennis	32
Freshman Football	25	Fall Varsity Cheerleaders	34
Varsity Volleyball	26	Fall Freshman Cheerleaders	35
Junior Varsity Volleyball	28	Fall Royalty	36
Freshman Volleyball	29	Fall Sports Life	37

BULLDOGS FINISH FINEST SEASON



Photo by Angela Hickel

Above: Nick Kurucz (7), Mark Denny (8), and Stormy Munkirs (59) lead the Bulldogs through the human tunnel leading out onto the field before one of their home performances at Shulthis Stadium. For each home game, the Bulldog players raced to see who could be the first through the spirit banner provided by the pep club. The band played the "Fight Song" and the fans jumped to their feet as the players entered the field.



Photo by Aminta Radar

Above: Senior Gavin Schmitz (62) strips the ball from a pair of Fort Scott Tigers while Travis Crouch (65) watches. The seniors defeated the Tigers three straight times.



Phot o by Aminta Radar

This year's front-line 'Dogs proved instrumental in guiding Indy to an 8-1 finish. Above, Robert Clapp (56), Gavin Schmitz (62), Jeff McDaniel (50), and Chris Gab set up a pass block against the Fort Scott defense.

1994 SEASON	
Wichita Heights	55-6
Ark City	26-23
Chanute	42-17
LCHS	49-7
Parsons	24-13
El Dorado	38-6
Pittsburg	19-27
Ft. Scott	20-14
Coffeyville	56-16

Photo by Aminta Radar



Isaac Lawrie (24) and Robert Clapp (56) hustle to converge on a Coffeyville Golden Tornado as he tries to run through the Bulldog defense. The Bulldogs smashed the Nado 56-16.

IHS RECORD 8-1: BEST RECORD IN 15 YEARS

Eight wins and only one loss should have qualified IHS for the state playoffs. The '94 team has to be considered the best at Independence High School in many years.

The 1994 Bulldog football team roared through its regular season with an undefeated record. However, in the first game of the district play, against Pittsburg, the team hit a solid block. The loss, the only loss of the year, stopped the Bulldogs from getting into the state playoffs. However, the Bulldogs bounced back and won the last two games.

Even in defeat at Pittsburg, the 'Dogs were one play away from the victory. Independence took to the game to the last seconds before Pittsburg finally won.



Photo by Aminta Radar

Dereck Renfro, IHS senior defensive end, goes high in the air to deflect a pass against the Coffeyville Golden Tornado. Renfro played on both offense and defense.



The Bulldog football team had one of the most successful seasons in several decades this year. Front Row (L-R) Dereck Renfro, Sean Torrance, William Clay, Ryan Lundt, Nick Kurucz, Dustin Meza, Robert Clapp, Brandon Root, Gavin Schmitz, Fawad Siddiqui. Second Row, Kyle Schuman, Justin Jarnigin, Chris Vannoster, Jon Harley, Pat Hadley, Josh Anderson, Chris Gabb, Tony Zemlock, Jeff McDaniel, Jeff Sherwood, Jason Etycheson. Third Row, Jason Metzger, Matt Spencer, Scott Hill, Sam Blackard, Jered Jackson, Ryan Wittum, Stormy Munkirs, Steven Ashlock, Isaac Lawrie, Mark Denny, Ron Burke, Richard Martinez, Steven Johnston, Justin Bays, John Fairbank, Kirby Lawrie. Back Row, Marc Welch (manager), Don Simmons, Mark Hayward, Carl Boldra, Davin Harlin, Jim Hendren, Ray Emmot, Scott Webb.

JUNIOR VARSITY FOOTBALL FINISHES YEAR

Photo by Mary Hindle



Tim Henderson, 32, watches the end of a play against Coffeyville . Chris Vannoster, 75, arrived too late to be a factor in the play while Mark Denny, 8, and Scott Hill, 81, both watch from their respective positions. All of these players saw limited varsity action during the course of the season.



Photo by Aminta Rader

Sophomore Mark Denny closes in on a tackle during a junior varsity game against Coffeyville at Riverside Stadium. Mark played in both varsity and junior varsity games for the Bulldogs.

In the junior varsity games, Indy won five and lost only one game. The junior varsity coaches were Carl Boldra and Scott Webb.

The junior varsity team lacks consistency.. The team depends upon injuries, results from the game the previous Friday, and what the varsity coaches feel they need.

The purpose of the jayvee is to develop varsity players.

SCOREBOARD

JV	US	THEM
ARK CITY	20	14
CHANUTE	24	8
L. COUNTY	20	8
PARSONS	16	12
C-VILLE	22	32

FRESHMEN MAKE STRIDES IN FOOTBALL

The 1994 Independence High School freshman football team won two games and lost four this year. Added to this record is two more victories gained with a combination of freshmen and sophomore players. This was accomplished with a squad of 25 players. Two of the players, Tim Henderson and Chris Confer, had the opportunity to suit up for the varsity during the season.

The team was coached by Jim Hendren, and he was assisted by Ray Emmot. This was the first year for Coach Hendren who moved up to Independence from Caney. Mr. Emmot had assisted at the high school level in football several years ago but most recently has been involved with coaching at the middle school level.



Freshmen Football: Front Row (l-r) Rob Herrman, Jed Newkirk, Luke Emmot, J.D. Muller, Vernon Munkirs, Matt Van Dyne. Second Row: Kevin Havener, Jason Coltharp, Jeremiah Johnson, Josh McClain, Danny Julian, Andy Bertie, Jimmy Reynolds. Third Row: Jeremy Carpenter, J.J. McCallie, Jason Tucker, Jason Simpson, Corey Strunk, Jamie Lawrence,Gregg Chub, Joey Van Pelt. Back Row: Tim Henderson, Mark Stevens, Aaron Heckman, Chris Confer, David Kelly.

(Below) The freshmen football team prepare to play prior to the game at Riverside Stadium. Without a large crowd, it is hard to get the team fired up to play. The team runs through drills prior to the opening kickoff. The pre-game drills are designed to eleminate injury.



Photo by Mary Hindle

FRESHMEN FOOTBALL SCORES

	Us	Them
Pittsburg	24	14
*Labette Co.	18	14
Chanute	14	19
Labette Co.	34	30
Parsons	6	8
Coffeyville	16	32
*Pittsburg	12	6
Fort Scott	6	20

* Denoted Freshmen and Sophomore games



Photo by Mary Hindle

Jeremy Carpenter completes a tackle on an opposing runner during a freshman home football game. Carpenter is number 25 at the bottom of the pile. J.J. Muller, number 17, grabs the ball carrier from behind and Luke Emmot, number 11 closes in from the defensive backfield position. This tackle proved to be important in the goal line defense and was instrumental in keeping the other team from scoring.

"NO MERCY" EXPLAINS IT ALL

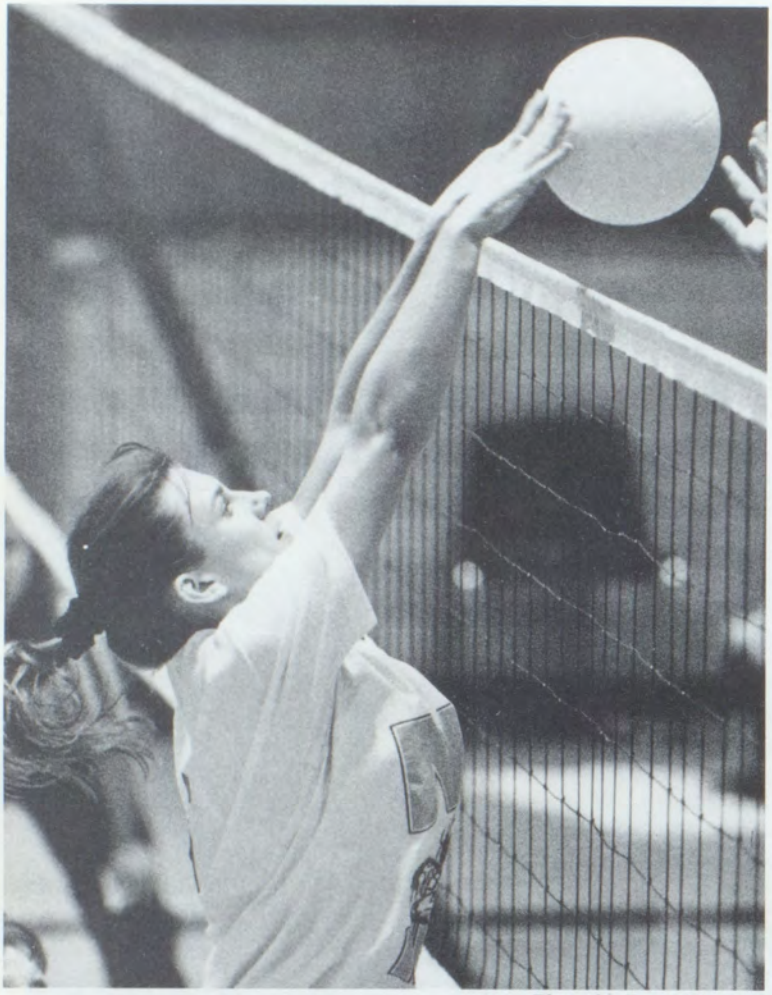


Photo by Doug Hesse.

Tara Lynn soars above the net in a blocking attempt at a Losey gym volleyball match. Tara is careful not to touch the net as that would give the point to the other team. Tara was a junior on the volleyball team.



"This year of volleyball was very fun and exciting. I felt that we had a very good season. It was a very good experience playing on the varsity level with the competition we had. I wish the best for next year."

Mandy Lain
Senior



Photo by Doug Hesse.

Senior Bridget Kinsey appears to be playing the ball off her forearm during a volleyball match. Bridget was a senior on the team and helped to provide leadership throughout the season.



Photo by Rachel Torbett.

Mandy Lain, Mandy Boring, and Carrie Mitchell get ready to return a serve to the opposing team. The proper stance to return the ball is important for successful play. Volleyball coaches drill the players on these techniques.



Photo by Doug Hesse.

Carrie Mitchell, IHS junior, grabs a breath during a close match at Losey Gym. Carrie has been a two year standout in volleyball at IHS. She is following the tradition of her sisters who also participated in the sport for the Bulldogs.

VOLLEYBALL TEAM FINISHES STRONG



Front Row (L-R): Kate Schicke, Amy Tackett, Summer Goodman, Harmony Kimzey, Sarah Eardly, Bridget Kinsey, Jennifer Karleskint, Tara Lynn, Tiffany Zemlock, Diane Kley.
Back Row (L-R): Mandy Boring, Mandy Lain, Erin Dennis, Carrie Mitchell, Kim Wilson, Kelly Werner, Kelly Bosse, Kavita Patel, Melissa Quigley, Jamie Watson.

"I thought the season was a lot of fun. The girls worked hard to improve themselves and they were easy to work with. That made it very enjoyable to me."
Mrs. Kristi Speicher
Coach

"It was a lot of fun and a good learning experience to play on the varsity team. I was happy to see everyone work together as a unit. Thanks to Mrs. Speicher for the excellent coaching."
Bridget Kinsey
Senior

The Varsity Volleyball team went through its ups and downs this season, but finished the year strong. The season is generally regarded as a re-building year but the team received outstanding performances by several players.

The squad started the year by having some difficulty in several of the opening matches. However, following the tournament at Parsons, the team turned the year around by winning 16 of its last 21matches. A sudden end to the year came at the sub-state tournament when Pittsburg defeated the Bulldogs in the opening round match of the competition.

Coach Kristi Speicher was assisted this year by Mary McKinney and by Coylene Speer. Mrs. Speer coached the freshmen team.

SCOREBOARD

Pittsburg: 8-15, 10-15	Iola: 15-5, 15-9
Parsons: 15-1, 15-7	Fort Scott: 9-15,9-15
Burden Central: 13-15, 6-15	Altamont: 3-15, 11-15
Caney: 10-15, 15-3, 15-10	Chanute: 16-14, 2-15, 1-15
Sedan: 15-0, 15-7	Parsons: 15-13, 15-5
Attica: 11-15, 0-15	Parsons: 15-11, 15-2
El Dorado: 10-15. 2-15	Iola: 5-15, 15-5, 15-7
Garnett: 4-15, 7-15	Coffeyville: 15-1, 15-2
Hartford: 15-11, 15-12	Caney: 15-0, 15-6
Labette County: 15-7, 15-6	Baxter Springs: 15-8, 15-9
Fredonia: 15-9, 6-15, 15-6	Fredonia: 7-15, 15-12, 2-15
Neodesha: 16-18, 15-12, 15-10	Neodesha: 15-2, 15-9
Mulvane: 15-0, 17-15	Pittsburg: 12-15, 15-7, 6-15 (Sub-State)
Pittsburg: 11-15, 11-15	

J V VOLLEYBALL HAS SUCCESSFUL SEASON



Photo by Rachel Torbett

Erin Dennis gets ready to serve the ball. She is taking accurate aim so the ball will make it over the net, possibly to score a point.

The Independence High School junior varsity volleyball team had an exceptional season in '94. The girls won twenty-seven of their thirty-nine games.

The jv team doesn't operate under the same pressure as the varsity team. An example is, in a match, Erin Dennis, a sophomore, put everything into the serve. In fact, she put so much into it that she fell on the floor. The teammates were so shocked by this that they could do nothing but turn and laugh with Erin. The other team felt the same way and Indy won the point.



Photo by Jeanee Cavaliere

Junior Varsity players,Erin Dennis, sophomore, and Harmony Kimzey, junior, show the more serious side of scoring a win as Jamie Watson, junior, along with some of her teammates demonstrates to the crowd, fellow, and opposing team-mates the more light-hearted, carefree, fun-filled side of a major win by doing a showy victory dance in the Eisenhower gymnasium.



Photo by Doug Hesse

Showing no mercy, Sarah Eardly, Jamie Watson, and Kelly Werner are trying to determine who will get the next play in a home match at Eisenhower school. After they decide who will hit the ball, it will hopefully sail across the net in an attempt to score a point.

SCOREBOARD

Junior Varsity

(All Independence scores listed first)

Pitt.: 13-15, 14-16	LCHS: 10-15, 15-3, 9-15
Parsons: 15-4, 15-5	Erie: 15-9 , 15-0
Burden: 15-9, 15-8	Pitt: 15-5, 15-9
Sedan: 15-2, 15-3	Parsons: 15-7, 15-5
Ft. Scott: 15-7, 15-5	Parsons: 15-6, 15-3
Coffeyville: 15-10, 15-10	Ft. Scott: 6-15, 13-15
Chanute: 11-15, 13-15	Chanute: 12-15, 12-15
Labette: 15-4, 8-15, 15-6	Labette: 15-7, 15-4
Iola: 9-15, 15-1, 15-6	Erie: 15-11, 15-4

FRESHMEN LEARN THE HIGH SCHOOL WAY

SCOREBOARD

Derby: 5-15, 2-15	Labette: 12-15, 6-15
Pitt: 11-15, 15-10, 7-15	South East: 9-15, 4-15
Winfield: 2-15, 9-15	Chanute: 12-15, 8-15
Parsons: 4-15, 7-15	Labette: 8-15, 11-15
Ark City: 1-15, 7-15	Pitt: 11-15, 4-15
Labette: 6-15, 4-15	Coffeyville: 15-9, 15-8
Parsons: 4-15, 9-15	Coffeyville: 15-4, 15-6
Fredonia: 5-15, 4-15	Parsons: 1-15, 11-15
Neodesha: 3-15, 14-16	Labette: 6-15, 7-15
Chanute: 5-15, 5-15	Pitt: 16-14, 12-15, 7-15
Erie: 15-7, 14-16, 11-5	Ft. Scott: 15-17, 2-15

Freshmen volleyball is a time for transition for the players. After experiencing some inter-scholastic competition at the middle school, the freshman are allowed to compete in a full schedule at the high school.

There are several adjustments that must be made. The length of the season is one of the more difficult. In middle school, the season lasts about six weeks and practically every player gets an equal opportunity to play. In high school, the level of competition is much greater--both in the starting positions and in the teams played against.

The freshmen coach, Coylene Speers, is also the food service director for the school district.

"The "No Mercy" shirts gave me great inspiration. It made me feel like we could win whenever we wanted to. It made me feel like we were all a team and we could accomplish anything."

Jessica Tyler

"I think our season wasn't as good as it could have been. We needed to work together more than what we were. We started off not to good, then we sort of picked up some team work, but then it just fell apart again."

Elisha Miles

Front Row (L-R): Destiny Baker, Valerie Morse, Angie Alexander, Kelly O'Malley, Carrie Dickerson, Elisha Miles, Amanda Chapman.
Back Row (L-R): Pia Scott (mgr.), Missy Tackett, Jenny Clark, Shawna Harlin, Michelle Karleskint, Becky Merrit, Jessica Tyler, Jessica Schoenfeldt, Coylene Speer (coach),



IF YOU CAN'T HANDLE THE PACE...



Photo by Elaine Garey

(Left)A few of the members of the guy's varsity Cross Country team anxiously await the beginning of their race with hopes of doing well. These team members are as follows (from left to right): Brian Blandamer, senior; Tommy Tyler, junior; Ryan Garey, senior; Cory McCollum, junior; Harley Mathews, sophomore; Ryan David, junior. (Below Right) Ryan Garey intensely runs on as this picture is taken. It appears as though Garey really wants the first place medal in this race.

Photo by Elaine Garey



The male Cross Country team had a challenging, yet productive, year. The boys varsity team took fourth place at S.E.K. competition with the help of the entire team.

The Varsity team consisted of many new members, with two returning members. The junior varsity and varsity teams were small, consisting of two and three members. The freshman team had an exciting year. The teams continued to work hard all year to improve under the coaching of Mike Nelson.



When asked about his season, both personal and as a team, Ryan Garey replied, "Personally, it was a disappointing year with some ups and downs after coming off of a back injury. This was a young team with a lot of potential. This was a rebuilding year, but Coach Nelson had a good year coming into it with a new team."



The boys cross country team for 1994 included (L-R) Harley Mathews, sophomore; Brad Rice, freshman; Ryan David, junior; Cory McCollum, junior; Zach Sprague, freshman; Brian Blandamer, senior; and Seth McClure, freshman. Not pictured were Ryan Garey, senior; and Tommy Tyler, junior. The team faced a rebuilding year and accomplished many of their goals.

... GET OUT OF THE RACE!!



Photo by Erin Chapman

The members of the lady bulldogs 1994 cross country team were (from left to right) Sara Caflisch, sophomore; Jamie Osborn, senior; Hali Gann, sophomore; Beth Bryant, junior; Chris Linder, senior; Keslie Linder, freshman; Kim Bailey, freshman. The squad consisted of two seniors , one junior, two sohomores and two freshmen. The coach hopes that more girls will participate next year so the squard will be elegible to compete in various meets.



Photo By Harley Mathews

The 1994 cross country team was a young team, but had a good season. One difficulty the ladies team faced was the lack of a significant number of runners on the team. The team was led by Jamie Osborn, Chris Linder, Halli Gann, Sarah Caflisch, Kelsie Linder, Kim Bailey, and Beth Bryant.

Coach Mike Nelson was in his first year as cross country coach. He replaced the former middle school principal Jit Milner who resigned following last year. Mr. Nelson is also boys basketball coach at Independence High School. The teams benefitted from his excellent coaching during the 1994 season.

(At left) Tommy Tyler stretches as he prepares for his race. By doing this it builds confidence and endurance. Also Hali Gann appears to be contemplating about the time in her last race.



Photo by Elaine Garey

(Above) Jamie Osborn, one of the senior cross country team members, appears to be tiring as she finishes one of her many races of her season.



We asked Chris Linder to elaborate on some of her thoughts and feelings from the 1994 girls' cross country season. During this interview, she commented, "It was a good season but I was hoping to do better in my final year as a cross country runner. We had a good squad and a good year considering all the injuries."

LADY BULLDOGS HAVE SUCCESSFUL YEAR

The 1994 girls' tennis team had one of the most productive seasons in many years. Three seniors, two juniors, and one sophomore led the Lady Bulldogs in their quest towards regaining the SEK title. After competing well in many triangulars and other tournaments, they placed second at SEK and first at Regionals. The players battling for these honors were: Kelly Springer, Kelsey Dodson, and Andrea Ysusi, seniors; Alison Auxter and Aminta Rader, juniors; and Jami King, sophomore. To top off their season they took fifth at State and, individually, three players placed high in the tournament. These players being: Kelly Springer--fifth in singles; Kelsey Dodson and Andrea Ysusi--eighth in doubles. Jami King also competed for the Lady Bulldogs in the singles bracket at State. Overall the accomplishments of these athletes have been achieved through their hard work and determination. Congratulations Lady Bulldogs!!

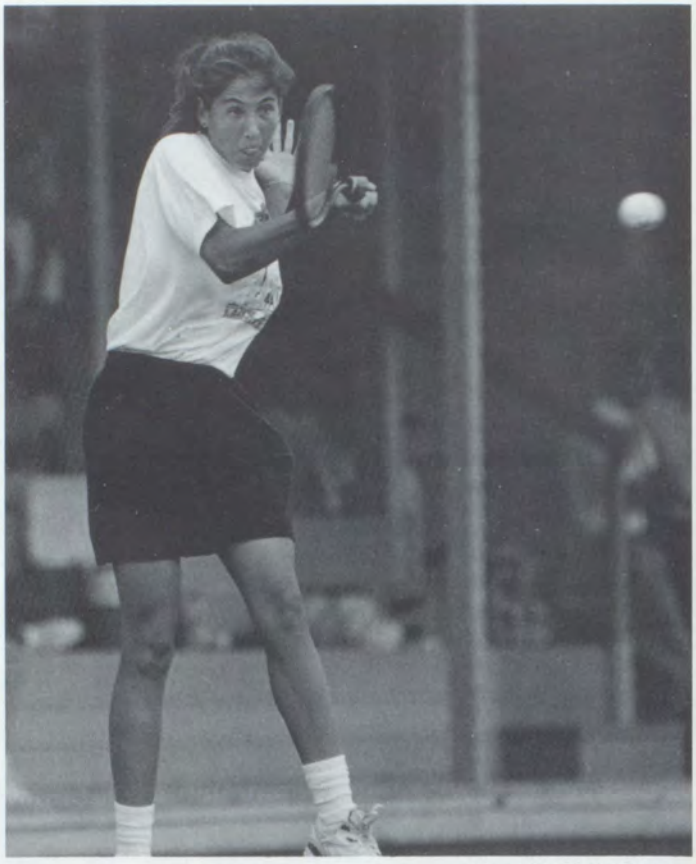
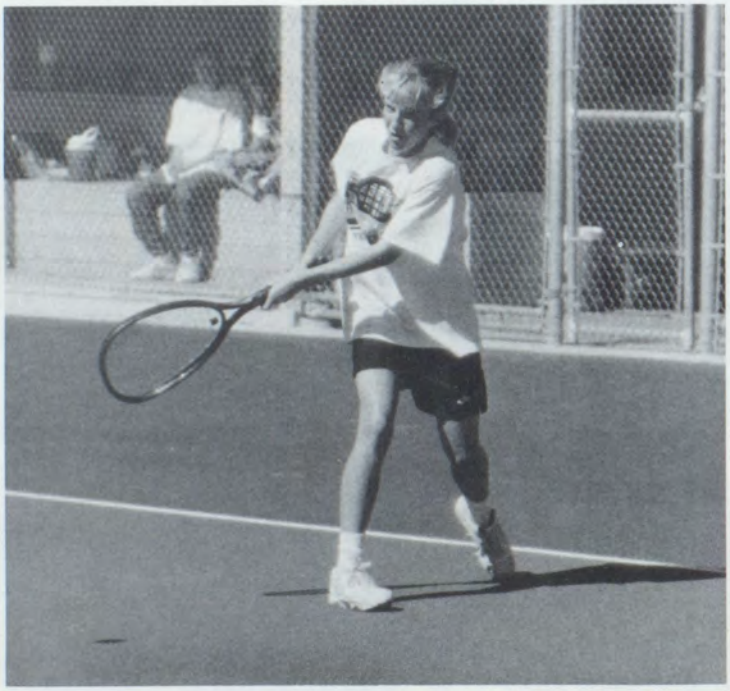


Photo by Doug Hesse

"Many people doubted what we were capable of accomplishing this year because we had such a young team. I hope our team continues such a profound record. I'm sure they will be able to achieve this goal because of their talent. I especially challenge Jamie King to beat my record."

--Kelly Springer, pictured above, smashes a forehand in a match at Riverside Courts last fall. Springer was cited by Coach Lundt as the senior who personified the leadership needed for a successful year.



Poto by Doug Hesse

Jami King smashes a forehand winner during a tennis match at Riverside Park tennis court. . Jami was able to qualify for the state tournament for the second time. This is quite an accomplishment for a sophomore in high school. It also puts pressure on Jami as she enters her junior year to qualify for a third trip.

SCOREBOARD:

Triangulars:
Iola Meet -- Indy 1st
Chanute Meet -- Indy 2nd
Indy Meet -- Indy 1st
Ark City Meet -- Indy 2nd

Tournaments:
Indy Invitational -- Indy 1st
El Dorado Tournament -- Indy 2nd
Ark City Tournament -- Indy 3rd
Fort Scott Invitational -- Indy 1st
Parsons Invitational -- Indy 2nd

FOUR BULLDOGS TAKE FIFTH AT STATE



Left to Right: Gina Botts, Kelly Springer, Kelsey Dodson, Andrea Ysusi, Jami King, and Jean Lundt. The results of the 1994 KSHSAA 5A State Tennis Tournament were: Kelly Springer - 5th in singles, Andrea Ysusi/Kelsey Dodson - 8th in doubles, and Jami King also competed in the singles bracket.



"I am very impressed with the feats which the Girl's conquered this year. They played well both individually and teamwise. This was portrayed when the took fifth at State. AWESOME!

Kelly Springer, Kelsey Dodson, and Andrea Ysusi all were excellent leaders. Also, look out SEK: Jami King is coming back."

-Mrs. Lundt



The IHS Tennis team poses for a large group shot prior to the start of the season. The practices started before the beginning of the school year. Above: Front row (L-R) - Andrea Ysusi, Jan Wilson, Amanda Sheets, Megan Hardy, Valerie Landwehr, Jami King, Jill Gruver, Kelsey Dodson, Becky Lynch, and Jami Paugh. Back row- Jeni Loether, Courtney Smith, Chris Kelly, Emily Ysusi, Christy Van Fossen, Alison Auxter, Kelly Springer, Aminta Rader, Amy Spencer, and Leslie Epp. Coach Lundt gave the participants a rigorous summer workout schedule and encourage the women wanting to play tennis to p
lay in as many tournaments as possible. In addition, the tennis players were sent through rather rigorous training sessions at the practices. The stadium steps and running laps around the oval and the tennis court helped prepare the play.

IHS SPIRIT ENHANCED BY CHEERLEADERS



Photo by Angela Hickel

The Independence cheerleaders get crazy sometimes during the games. Pictured above, the fall cheerleaders are showing some of the craziness during the all-too-familiar "Let me see your...." cheer during a home football game. Even Bob, the Bulldog, is in on the cheer as the squad exorts the crowd to get in the spirit of the game. The cheerleaders had the opportunity to perform in front of large crowds this fall due to the success of the football team. If it wasn't for the support of the students at the games, the cheerleader's responsibility would be much greater.

The cheerleaders have another responsibility that is quite awesome, and that is encouraging the crowd to yell only positive yells which support the team and are not negative.



Second row, left to right: Lisa Warner, Lindy Smith, Sheree Watson, Tiffany Crow, Lisa Lemon, and Heather Balance. First Row: Trenise Hayes, Jenny Burdett, Melissa Morris, Kari Trolloppe, Wendy Bryan, Julie Patton, and, Tara Ballard.

FALL SPORTS RECEIVE SQUAD SUPPORT



Photo by Mary Hindle



Photo by Mary Hindle

The freshmen cheerleading squad has a number of responsibilities during the course of the school year. Pictured above left, the freshmen cheerleaders prepare prior to the game early in the fall. Above right, the freshmen squad leads the fans in a rhythmatic cheer. The freshmen under the sponsorship of Debbie Dye spend a lot of time learning about the responsibility of high school cheerleading. Many girls spend their young years wanting to be a high school cheerleader. Often, these students attend cheerleader camps and workshops held throughout elementary school and middle school by the high school cheerleaders. Since the middle school does not have a cheerleading program, the high school experience is usually the first opportunity for the students to actually cheer. Some students find they like cheerleading and some find they do not. Pictured below are the freshmen cheerleaders during the fall season. Top row, left to right, Amanda Voth, Miranda Bateson, Joy McBride, Laurel Sherwood, and Stacie Klieber; Bottom row, Mindy Dye, Melody Spearman, and Mary Beth Mayes.



CHRIS LINDER CROWNED FALL QUEEN

Senior Chris Linder was crowned fall sports queen at the fall homecoming football game against Labette County. Linder was one of five finalists for the honor.

The process of selecting the fall sports queen was identical to that used in the most recent past. The girls were nominated by all of the fall sport teams. The athletes then narrowed the list to five finalists with the students selecting the queen.

The Independence High School Student Council was in charge of the coronation activities. The activities included an assembly at school to introduce the finalists and the actual coronation which occurred at the stadium prior to the start of the game.

After the game the junior class sponsored a dance for the queen , her court and all the students at Independence High School.

The other finalists for the queen's court were Jamie Osborn, Kelsey Dodson, Kim Wilson, and Kelly Springer. Julie Thompson is the sponsor of student council and Mark Hayward is the sponsor of the junior class at IHS.



Senior Christina Linder leaves the football field after being crowned 1994 Fall Sports Queen at Shulthis Stadium. Miss Linder is escorted by cross country stand-out Ryan Garey. Following the game the queen and her court were honored at an all school dance in the high school food service center.



The five finalists for 1994 Fall Sports Queen were Jamie Osborn, Kelsey Dodson, Kim Wilson, Kelly Springer, and Chris Linder. The girls were dressed in a cowboy motiff to fit in the western theme of the assembly. The finalists were selected by the student body from a larger group nominated by all the fall sports participants.



Junior Andy Stewart serenades former queen Kathy Denny during the fall sports queen presentation assembly. The assembly was sponsored by the Student Council.

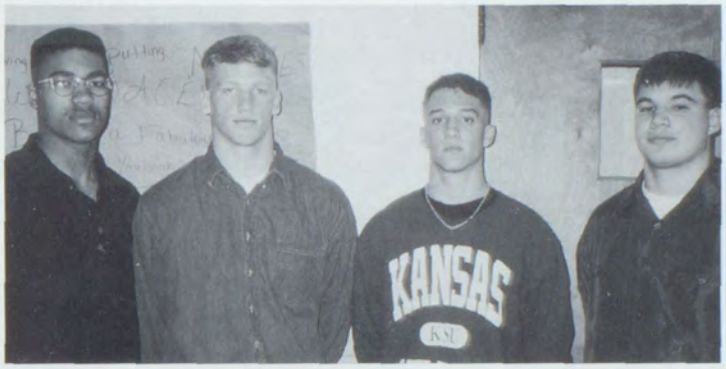
AUTUMN ATHLETES SHINE FOR IHS



Pictured at left: Six cross-country athletes received honorable mention All-SEK recognition this past season. From left to right, they are Ryan David, junior; Chris Linder, senior; Hali Gann, sophomore; and Ryan Garey, senior. Corey McCollam and Jamie Osborn are not pictured.

Below: Young 'Dogs played pivotal roles this season in football. Those honored by league coaches included, left to right, Iassce Lawrie, second team All-SEK sophomore; Jay Alexander, first team junior; Dustin Thompson, first team junior; and Chris Gab, first team junior. Alexander also received first team 5A All-State honors as quarterback.





Above: Clockwise from top left, four seniors earned All-League honors in football: Robert Clapp, honorable mention; Ryan Lundt, second team; William Clay, first team; Dustin Meza, first team; and Dereck Renfro, honorable mention. Meza was selected as a second team all-class all-state wide receiver and attended the Shrine Bowl.



Above: Ladies' state tennis participants, clockwise from top left, Kelsey Dodson, senior; Andrea Ysusi, senior; Kelly Springer, senior; and Jamie King, sophomore pose for the camera. Springer placed fifth at state in singles, while Dodson and Ysusi garnered eighth in doubles.



Pictured above are senior volleyball player Mandy Lain and junior spiker Carrie Mitchell. Mandy received honorable mention All-SEK recogniton, and Carrie was named to the first team squad.

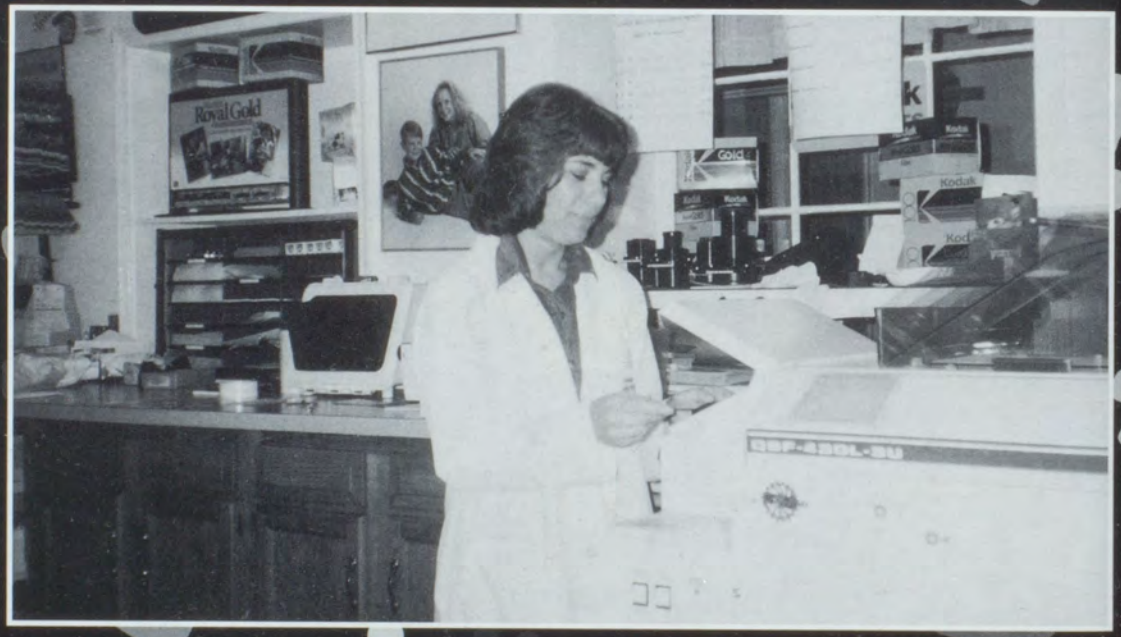
KATHY'S PORTRAIT STUDIO





Amy Spencer, above, is one of many seniors who used Kathy's for her senior pictures. Kathy takes a variety of school pictures including prom and the senior picture.

Kathy's Portrait Studio is used by the students of Independence very often. From senior pictures to developing a roll of film quickly, Kathy serves the IHS students. She is also instrumental in the process of the yearbook production as the staff will take film to Kathy's for the quick return.



An employee of Kathy's , above, prepares to enter some film into the automactic film developing machine. Students take film from all sorts of special events and everyday life to be developed quickly.

JUNIORS

Albert-Clubine 40

Colyott-Franklin 41

Freitag-Journot 42

Karleskint-Quigley 43

Rader-Tafoya 44

Tavarez-Zimmerman 45

JUNIORS

Jennifer Albert
Jay Alexander
Samantha Allen
Josh Anderson
Justin Austin



Alison Auxter
Ariane Barker
Tamicha Barker
Casey Belt
Kelly Bloomfield



Daniel Bolin
Sasha Bowen
Dejuan Bowie
Amanda Bradley
Shawna Breneman



Diana Brewer
Lizabeth Bryant
Steven Burchett
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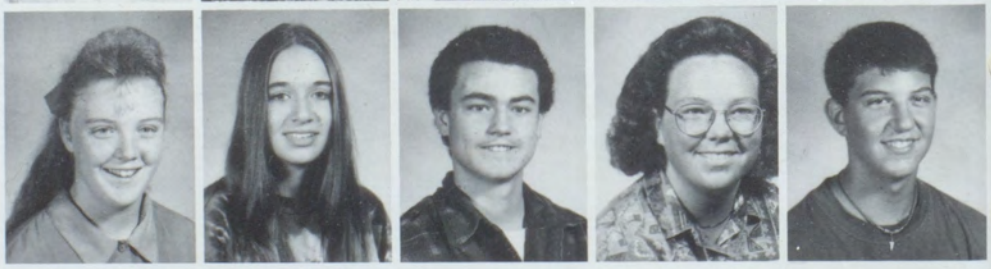




Photo by Angel Wood

JUNIORS GET READY!

The junior year is spent doing basically two things: getting ready to be a senior and concentrating on preparing for the annual spring Prom. Juniors also have more direction in the courses being taught, work at jobs more, and are more involved in varsity athletics. The junior year is often regarded as the best of high school because many privileges are granted without all of the responsibilities. Junior sponsors this year are Mark Hayward and Gloria McCray.

Alison Auxter, left, stops and talks between classes. Alison's blocking the door does not seem to distrub the conversation.



Brandon Colyott
Patrick Conway
A.C. Corle
Cynthia Covel
Travis Crouch

Ryan David
Denee Dollison
Tera Duke
Sarah Eardley
Chad Ellis

Leslie Epp
Sarah Etzold
Jason Evans
Jason Eytcheson
Scott Eytcheson

Roxanne Farlow
Brian Fienen
William Flinchum
Anglea Foreman
Thomas Franklin

JUNIORS



Katja Freitag
Chris Gab
Toby Gettler
Alicia Gillman
Blue Gragg



Chris Gress
Jana Gruver
Jill Gruver
Patrick Hadley
Chris Haley



Tina Hardin
Jon Harley
Terry Hawk
Trenise Hayes
Joseph Henderson



Tyrone Henderson
Lory Hensley
Renee Herrmann
Angela Hickel
Tia Hickerson



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Tricia Hogan
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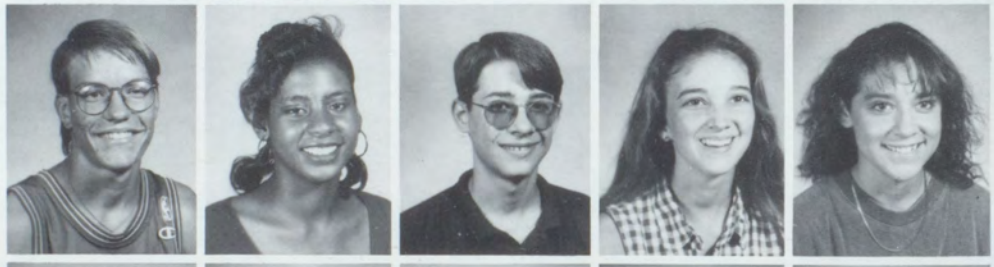
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Jamie Watson
Marc Welch
Clysta White
Shanna William

Matt Williams
Josh Wilson
Renae Wilson
Tony Zemlock
John Zimmerman

NOT PICTURED

Gina Colbert, Janissa Fredrick, Christy Hoover,
Kirby Lawrie, Rakesha Rowe, Cobey Stair

JUNIORS GET READY TO RULE THE SCHOOL



Photo by Tera Duke

Ryan David, above, ponders as to where he will go to next while uptown at the Neewollah carnival. Deciding where to go next can be stressful for some.

Tina Hardin strolls aimlesly toward the fair grounds. She must be trying to find some of her friends to hang out with.



Photo by Aminta Radar

Jason Eytcheson, above, "strikes a pose" as he gets ready to audition for the next *Guess Jeans* photo shoot. On the other hand, he might just be scratching an itch that won't go away. A third possibility is that Jason is trying to tuck his shirt in so that he will provide a neat appearance to impress his teachers.



Photo by Angela Hickel

Tyrone Henderson, above, films a football game for media class from the stands. Obviously Tyrone got tired of standing and needed a little break, or the camera got too heavy for him to hold while standing.



Photos above and below by Angela Hickel

"I'll keep my truck out of the mud. I hope that this year and next year go fast so I can graduate with passing grades."

Tucker Clubine

Frances Kuehn grabs onto the railing as she staggers off the Starship 2000. The whirling new ride must have shook her up so much she needed a little help. This ride was the newest addition to the carnival, and many students tried it out to see how fast it could go. Several rode it many times in a row.





Photo by Erin Chapman

Above, Amanda Bradley and Lori VanDyne show what they believe as to be the most important things about the Renaissance program...the food and the prizes. Renaisance has inspired many students to get good grades and study harder.

MANY MEMORIES ARE MADE FOR JUNIORS

Another pop game won. Another homecoming float victory. The planning of the Senior prom, and, with all of this excitement, just one more year of high school left.

This year brought upon countless memories and humorous first time experiences for the junior class. Who could forget the first prom with the first prom date, or the first after prom party and staying out until 5:00 A.M. and getting away with it?

The junior class became more involved in school activities. A few showed off their singing talents in the Indy Ensemble, while others spent time on the varsity sports teams. Others spent a semester at a time learning how to cope with anger and violence in Conflict and Resolution. Many spent the first semester learning how to run a company and get along with their peers in a business atmosphere while in one of the three Junior Achievment companies.

The greatest advantage to being a junior is the anticipation of the senior year. Running the school is what every junior looks forward to. The worst part about being a junior is that it is another step closer to leaving and to experience the real world.

All of the memories that each junior has is different from person to person, but each student will be able to treasure these memories forever and will always remember the good times as well as the bad times.



Photo by Tera Duke

Chad Ellis, junior, tries to find a computer in the seminar room to type out a paper for one of his teachers. The seminar room is used by several students to type out reports.

Carrie Mitchell, junior, right, unloads cases of pop from the back of a pickup during the Independence High School's pop game. The Class of '96 has won the contest for three years in a row. The other classes vow to win next year.

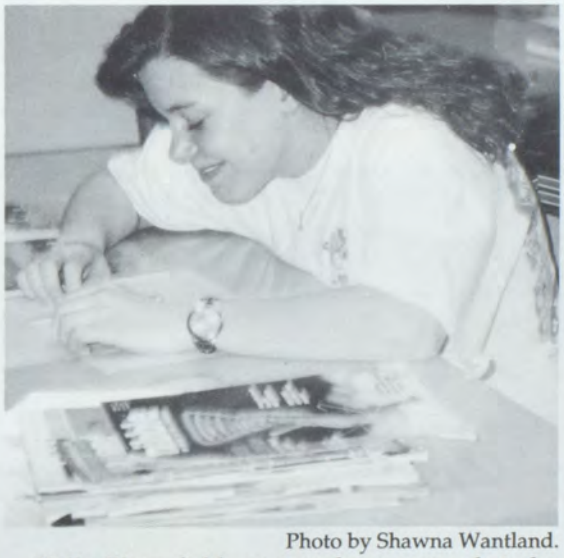


Photo by Shawna Wantland.

Kelly Bloomfield, contemplates over what she should write next. for a paper that she is working on. Hopefully she will be able to finish the paper before the hour is over and hand it in.

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Tabitha Ransbottom, junior, walks up the steps to find a place to sit for one of the IHS football games. The IHS football fans were thrilled with the play of the teams this year.

"My junior year for me has been pretty cool since I'm an upperclassman but it's also kinda boring."

Erica Simpson

JUNIORS ADD TO ALL ASPECTS OF IHS LIFE



Photo by Angel Wood

Angela Mayes and Shaun Loether, juniors, pause between classes for a brief conversation. The time between classes is often spent talking to friends and spending time at the lockers figuring out what is needed for the next classes.



Photo by Harley Mathews

Tommy Tyler, a junior, awaits patiently in 500 hall for his next chance to assist the office personnel. The office helpers deliver notes, pick up attendence, record attendence, and generally help the ladies who work in the office.



Bruce Shields, junior, is disappointed to find out that the box he picked up didn't have a million dollars in it. However, he was happy to be involved in Renaissance.

Photo below by Angel Wood. Photo above by Tera Duke



Photo by Mary Hindle

"My sophomore year was really good, but this year has not been so good. I wish my junior year could go by fast, so I can be a Senior and get out of school as soon as possible."

Benji Chism

Tara Lynn and Jay Alexander, juniors, lazily anticipate the next tennis match (above). The girls tennis team drew large crowds to the Riverside Park tennis courts.

During a Varsity Basketball game Sasha Bowen (right), junior, tries not to spill any pop while handing it to a customer.



JUNIORS ARE VICTORIOUS AT EVERYTHING



Photo by Tera Duke

Above, Mary Hindle and Aminta Rader, juniors, enjoy their afternoon Renaissance meal before prizes are awarded. Luncheons are provided by various community restaurants and are served by various faculty members. About 200 students attend these lunches quarterly. This program has been one of the fastest growing programs in IHS recently.

"I believe that my junior year has been a learning experience, not only in academics, but in how to balance my time between social activities, academics, and work."
Casey Strunk



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Chris Gress, junior, contemplates his next move in computer drafting class, during sixth hour. The journalism department is allowing the technology department to use new equipment purchased by the journalism department.



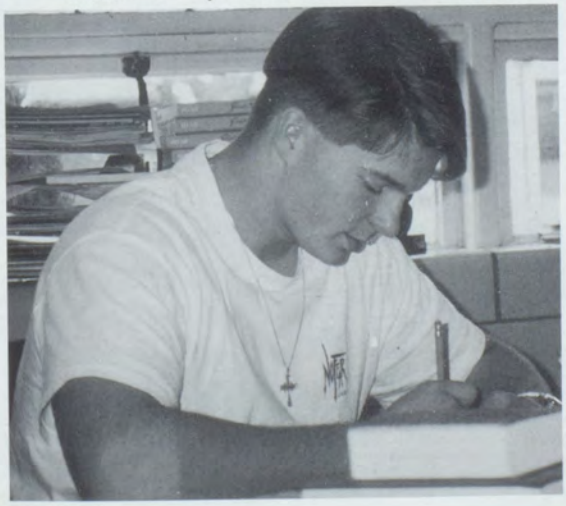
Billie Sanborn, junior, relaxes after taking a difficult mitosis exam in Mr. Rutter's class. She would really love to sleep, after staying up all night studying. The feet on the desk is not the normal position.

Photo above by Tera Duke. Photo below by Harley Mathews.



Photo by Samantha Allen

Lori Hensley, junior, walks to her locker to put up her books and get her things to go home to have an evening free from school. Lori also spends some free nights working at a local discount store in Independence.



Tony Zemlock, junior, works on his homework during advisor base on Wednesday. Activity period is a time when students can get caught up on homework or go to clubs. Some students belong to many clubs and never see their advisors while other students would prefer to spend the time working on classes, or, in some cases, visiting.

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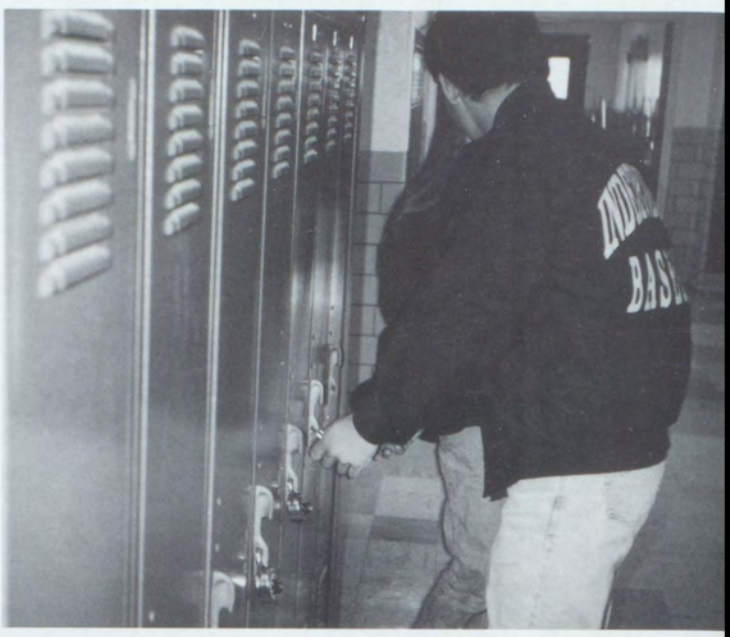
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PREPARATION OCCURS BEFORE SCHOOL



Steven Mills is in the office getting help from the office clerks before school. Students get admits, lunch tickets, and early dismisals, among other things from the office in the morning. The office staff spends most of the time before school each morning meeting these students.





Stormy Munkirs says good-bye to Afrienne Crain before school. These two students shared a locker in the 400 hall. In the time before school many students do not spend the time studying but instead catch up on their friends' latest activities.



(Picture above) Bill Blinchum and Chris Gab, concentrate on the Joad family from the *Grapes of Wrath* before going to junior English with Mrs. Mani.

(Pictured at right) James Marshall and Jason Scammy share a conveersation in the early morning hours. These two juniors arrive early to grab a can of pop and a spot in the 200 and 300 hall junctions.

CHATTING TIME OCCURS BEFORE SCHOOL



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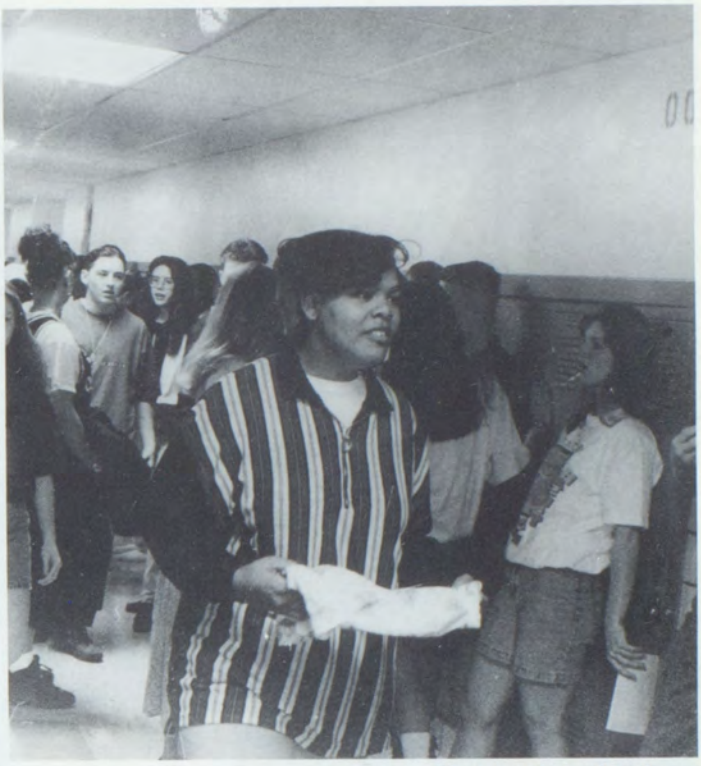


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(Top Left) Stephenie Washburn and Casey Belt talk with Annie Cessna and Criss Clay in the hall before school starts. Students gather in the varioud halls with their friends to gossip about the latest news.

(Above) Candace Scott heads for class before the first morning bell rings. Candace, like many students, is usually in a state on confusion in the morining, getting ready for the school day and getting the necessary social discussion completed before school starts.

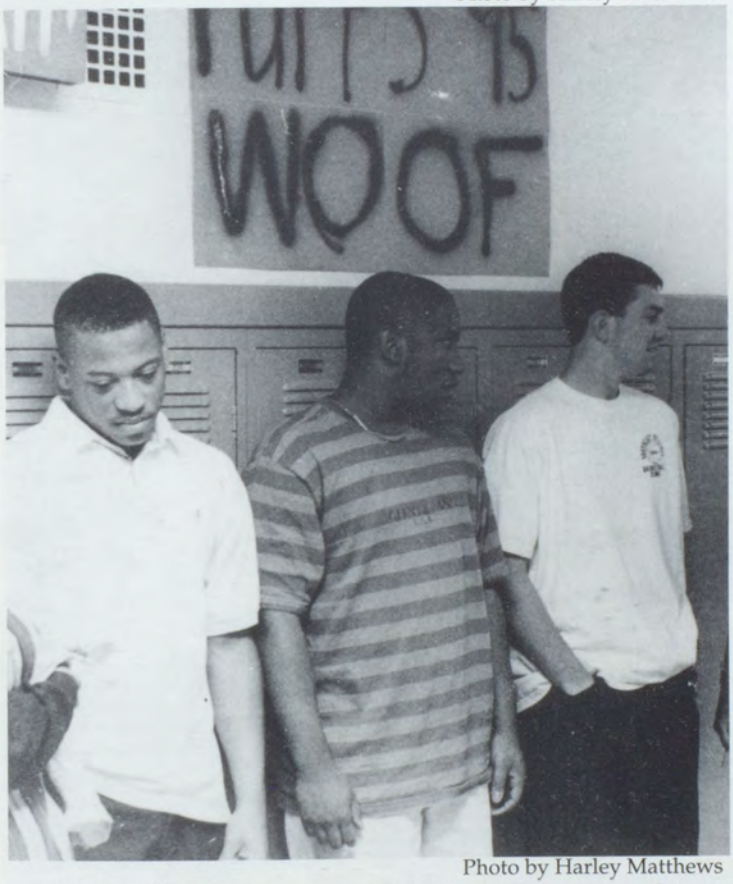


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(Above) The Johnson cousins, Rashon, and Dee, visit with Jason Eytcheson at T-Junction before school starts. Many students hang out in particular areas everyday before school and meet their friends in these locations.

(Right) Brian Fienen, like other students, looks as if he has not waken up yet. Behind Brian is Pat Conway, Chris Short, and Jon Fairbank, whoall have a spot at one of the T-Junctions.

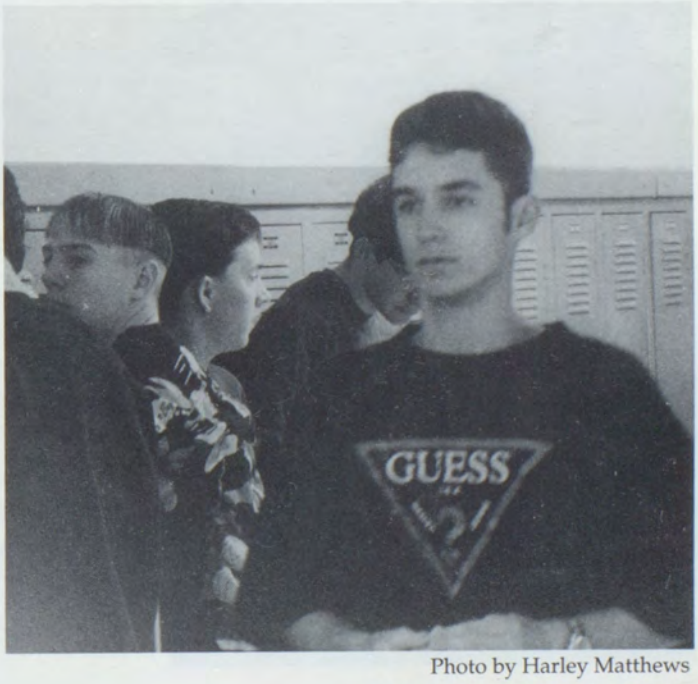


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THE START OF THE DAY--FIRST HOUR



Matt Peltzer, Stormy Munkirs, Steven Baur, Jeff Hutchison, Jason Bertie, Chad Reichenberger, and Jozee Thompson are involved in a group discussion in Sexuality class. As Freshman become upper class man they are enrolled in Sexuality.



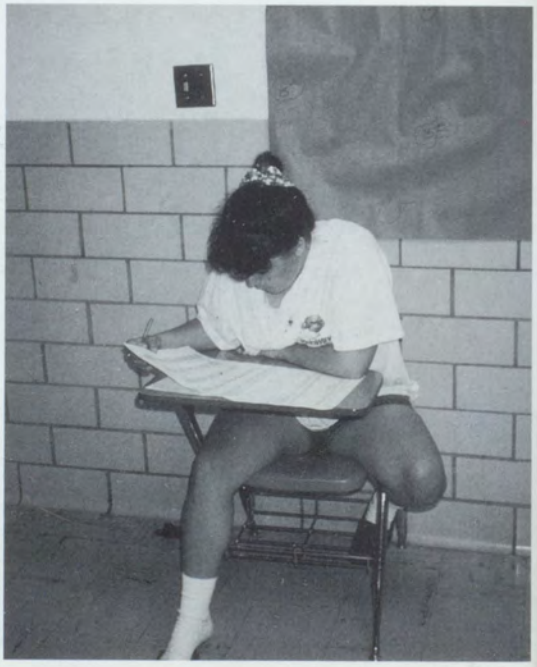
Lisa Willis is in Jewelry II class first hour. She is buffing her ring to make it shine. Jewelry is taught by Mr. Trouskie, and he also teaches ceramics





Carrie Moffat, Jan Wilson, and Terra Davidson take a moment to look through a senior memory book belonging to Terra. The last few days of orchestra is spent cleaning and putting away music.

Denee Dollison and Keri Curtis sit in the foyer and talk while everyone else is in class during first hour.



Bobbie Jo Padley taking the end of the year French vocab test. This is Bobbie Jo's ssecond year in French class, and she graduated with the class of '95.

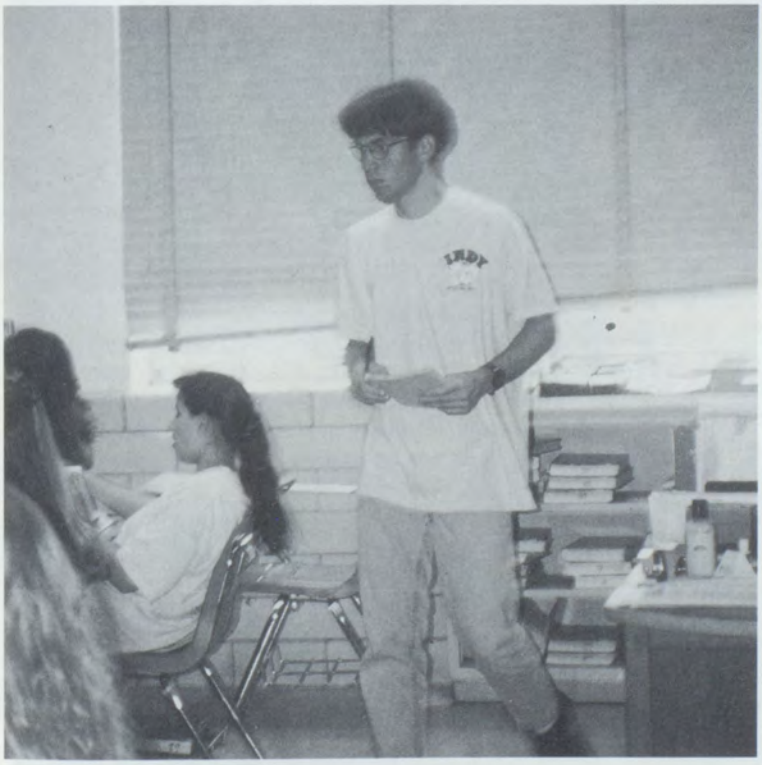
FIRST HOUR PAIN TO STUDENTS, FACULTY

First hour. What a pain! Car doesn't start. Ride doesn't come. Locker doesn't open. Brain doesn't work.

While some students arrive at IHS around seven o'clock in the morning, some barely make it on time for first hour. The largest number of tardies occur during first hour and fifth hour.

Teachers suspect that it is basically the same students who are usually tardy. However, in all honesty, the teachers are similar in punctuality. Some arrive early while others make just in time.





Renee Hermann plays the cello during first hour Orchestra. This year the Orchestra has a new teacher, Mr. Hoyt. Mr. Hoyt has been in Pittsburg for several years.



Aminta Radar, Lisa Lemon, Shannon McClure, Sara Howe, Chris Gab, Tiffany Crow, Terra Davidson, and two other Seniors are in the foyer first hour on the last day for seniors. The Juniors are looking forward to their last day.

Micah Seybold is walking to his seat in Miss Willis's class. Miss Willis teaches Algebra, Algebra II, and Pre Calculus. She is also chairman of the math department.

"In French II class we like to play Le Train. I would change the time first hour started. I think it should start at noon so then I could sleep until 10:30.
Shaun Carter



Harmony Kimzey, Tim Simpson, Lori Hensley, and Jessica Vineyard are working hard in English class first hour.

SECOND HOUR VERY BUSY FOR IHS



Aron Hardy readies for the morning cookie rush. With the help of Mrs. Rosie Stevens, Aron has gotten everything ready. He has the cookies and the money, all he needs now are a few customers.



(Above) Mr. Bob Tincher makes time during his busy day to use the phone. Mr. Tincher spends his time teaching students how to use the computers in the seminar room. If anyone has any computer questions, Mr. Tincher is usually the one that gets asked, and he almost always has an answer.



(Left) Senior Keri Curtis, ponders over what she will do next in her class. She is giving great thought to what she will do. Keri was a senior in Mrs. Lea Shepherd's Media II class, and she helped in the production of the end of the year video .



Mr. Larry Hollandsworth takes time out of class to make a phone call. This was the second year having the telephones in the classes and they work quite well. Mr. Hollandsworth seems to be enjoying his phone call.



Tim Veith, senior, works hard on his ceramics project. He is putting a lot of concentration into the project so that he doesn't make a mistake.

"Second hour was about as good as it could be considering I had English. The fact that Eric Theison, Jason Blex, and Chris Vannoster were in Mrs. Mani's English class made it a more interesting hour. Another thing about second hour is that I couldn't wait for it to end, because break is right after second hour and I like to get Otis Spunkmyer cookies."

Shawna Wantland

CHANNEL 1 PREPARES US FOR BREAK



Senior, Cynthia Cambell, put her jacket on in preparation to leave her class. Most students get ready to leave their second hour class during Channel One. At this time students often gossip and get ready for the Otis Spunkmeyer cookies.

Second hour offers two features that no other hour offers. The first is the opportunity to watch Channel One and the second is the expectation of having break.

Channel One is watched by all the second hour classes. At least the television is supposed to come on in every class. Some teachers unplug it, some teachers teach through it, some teachers let the students talk, but some teachers require notes to be taken and give tests or credit. Like all the programs at IHS, the expectations vary greatly. However, on certain subjects that interest the students, the rooms become very quiet as the students watch.



(Above) Alison Laird, sophomore, talks to one of her fellow classmates during a free moment in class.. Alison doesn't look pleased to be in her class. Many students prefer to talk during class rather than learn.





(Above) Annie Cessna, sophomore, works hard on the assignment she is working on. It looks a s though she may be at a difficult part on her paper.

(Left) Jamie Clubine, junior, and Amanda Voth, frehsman, read their French I assignment. French is a very popular elective for the students to take.

OTIS SPUNKMEYER MANIA CONSUMES IHS

As Channel 1 draws to a close each school day, swarms of IHS students brace themselves to rush to the Otis Spunkmeyer cookie room. Operated by the special education kids under the direction of Mrs. Cox, Mrs. Price, and Mrs. Stevens, it offers six varieties of cookies for breaktime snacking: chocolate chip, sugar, peanut butter, double chocolate, white chunk macadamia, and oatmeal raison. For Spunkmeyer diehards, the stand also maintains after school hours. Located in room 110, stategically placed near T-Junction, the cookie enterprise first gained popularity during the '93-'94 school year. The group received the idea from Ron Harley of Tri-County, who learned of it from another school in Salt Lake City, Utah.

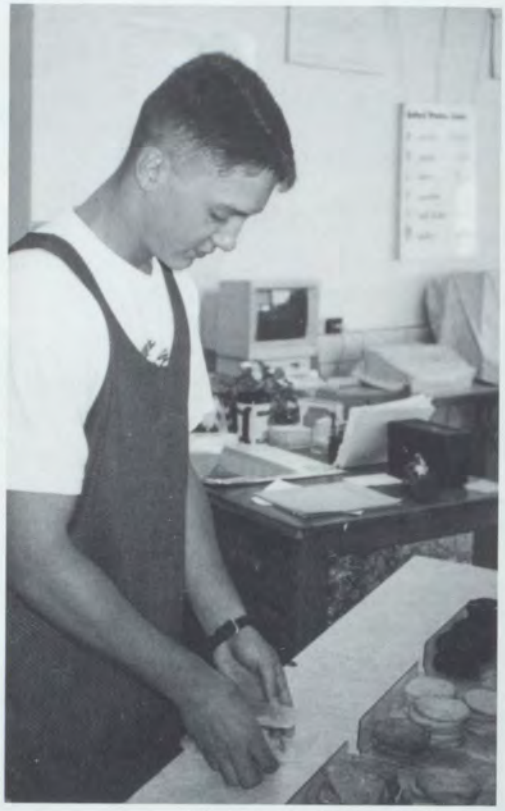
Right: Seniors Ryan Garey and Lisa Lemon take advantage of the break time passing period to purchase macadamia nut cookies. Mrs. Cox picks out the treats, while Aaron Hardy serves the product to the customer.

Below: Aaron Hardy and Mrs. Stevens anticipate the rush of students and faculty during a typical day at the cookie stand. As this photo clearly shows, a variety of tastes were offered for individual preferences.





Right: Dustin Thompson collects his chocolate chip cookies after taking advantage of the economical "three for a dollar" deal.



All photos by Harley Mathews

Starting from scratch, the program has achieved remarkable success. Students have learned a variey of useful skills for the real world. Steps in the cookie-making process include ordering the cookies from Tulsa, sorting the cookies by flavor and number, setting the ovens , serving the product to customers, counting the money, making deposits at Tri-County, and cleaning up the work area. These activities require two hours each day from the participants. Students serve the six varieties of the treats to high school crowd everyday thoughout the year. Chocolate chip qualifies as the favorite among patrons, with macadamia nut running a close second.

Proceeds from the young enterprise have been used for a variety of projects. The group has purchased a new refridgerator, computer software, a camera, and cassette tapes for leisure time, among other items. Workers earn fifty cents for each labor period and keep track of their hours by signing in at a yellow journal. At the end of the year, the accumulated profits go to an even larger reward, the year-end field trip. Last year, the class motored to Carthage, Missouri, to view the Precious Moments Chapel. They followed the visit up with shopping in Joplin and a meal paid for by the Spunkmeyer Spunkmeyer coffers. Indeed, a year of bakery toil reaped fruitful rewards.

HAVE YOU HAD YOUR BREAK TODAY?

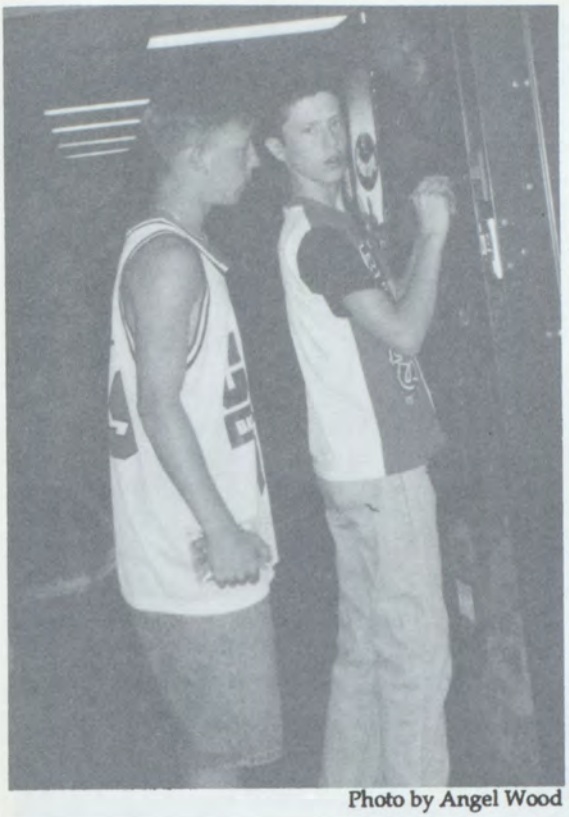


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After two grueling hours of morning study, IHS students have an opportunity to relax for eight minutes each day. Break time affords pupils a chance to buy pop, juice, candy, and cookies at fair prices. This year, a can of Pepsi requires fifty cents, miscellaneous juices cost sixty-five cents, candy bars sell for two quarters, and piping hot cookies come to thirty-five cents. Other students choose to visit their lockers or visit with friends at T-Junction, in the foyer, or along the walls in various hallways. When the weather is warmer, one finds many Bulldogs outside in the commons area and at the picnic tables. Of course, eight minutes does not allow for too much time, but IHS has adapted to the schedule in an impressive fashion. Some of the faster students can go to their lockers, visit the bathroom, buy candy and pop, and still make it to third hour just in time. Break time provides the perfect niche of time to tide IHS over until the lunch hour.

Left: Mike Anderson and Jason Evans stock up on Honey Buns and Pepsi before moving on to third hour. They are utilizing the machines next to the boys' restroom and 500 hall, a popular spot to hang out during the break period.



Photo by Mary Hindle

Above: Senior Bryan Reid and junior Jenny Lichlyter stroll leisurely down 200 hall. In the background, a yearbook advertising poster adorns the wall to attract the attention of passing students. The class utilized this technique extensively to boost sales throughout the school year.

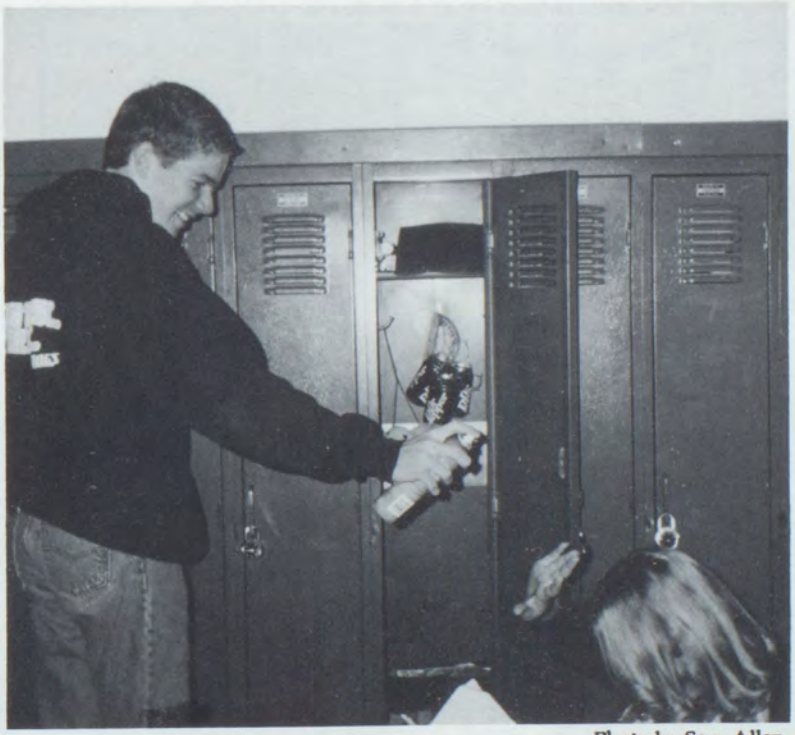


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Above: Sophomore Bryan Price attempts to spritz junior Lori VanDyne's hair; however, Lori seems to think that she already has enough hold. One might notice the Dr. Pepper cans hanging inside of Bryan's locker. These beverages are courtesy of the Renaissance Program, of which Bryan is a proud member.

ACTIVITY PERIOD BRINGS WEEKLY FUN



Above: Amber Dowlin, four-year member of the KAYS' organization, prepares a tasty icing at a cafeteria meeting, while Maranda Hosier and Amanda Sheets watch.

Each Wednesday, students have an opportunity to explore some of their extracurricular interests, catch up on homework, or attend special interest meetings. This time, known as activity period, allows each of the thirteen clubs at IHS to conduct business. College representatives sometimes visit during this time, as do recruiters from the armed forces. Mrs. Young, the extended learning program coordinator, holds information sessions for special programs like the KSU Stock Market game and the KU Medical Center field trip. Each student is assigned an advisor base upon enrolling as a freshman, and this room serves as a four-year home. Students also report to their respective bases prior to each assembly in the auditorium.

Clubs generally elect four officers to lead their organizations: president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer. These leaders provide the driving force behind accomplishing annual goals and raising money. Some of this year's notable projects included Stuco's Bloodmobile, SADD's "Buckle Up" signs in the parking lots, KAYS quarterly treats for honor roll students, and FCA's Valentine flower sales. Endeavors like these are greatly appreciated by the student body and community.

National Forensics League members pack Mrs. Shepard's room for their monthly meeting.



Below: Participating in one of the special activity period seminars, stock market game participants anticipate their next transaction. Along with IHS principal Joanne Brookshier, students pictured from left to right are Levi Tucker, Jessica Wilsey, and Justin Hoffman.



Pictured at Right: Fellowship of Christian Athletes member Brook Watson records copious notes during an auditorium meeting.



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A TIME FOR CLUBS...A PLACE TO MEET

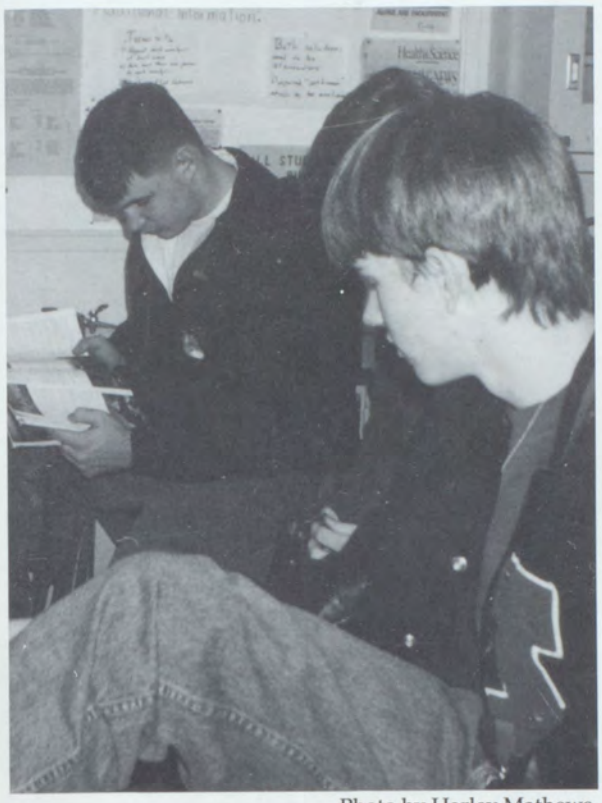


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Above: Juniors Chris Gab and Ryan David prepare vital arguments for an upcoming flag revival debate in Student Council.

Above right: Angie Mayes peruses through her notes during a National Forensics League meeting.

Right: Amy Spencer, KAY president at Independence High School, presides over one of the many community service projects that the group performed.



Photo by Tera Duke.



Photo by Harley Mathews.

The secret to succeeding in clubs at IHS lies in getting involved early. Virtually all executives in student organizations work themselves slowly up the ranks as the years progress. Amy Spencer, for example, joined KAYs as a freshman and remained a member for three years before being elected president.

Photo by Tera Duke.



Students always have the option of studying during activity period. With the seven hour day, this time can help to alleviate some of the overwhelming tension that comes from abundant homework.

Left: Engaging in a leisure activity, sophomore Jeff Hutchison and junior Chad Ellis check out the latest issue of Crutchfield, a car and home stereo magazine. IHS students rely on this company as a key source for the latest information in audio technology.

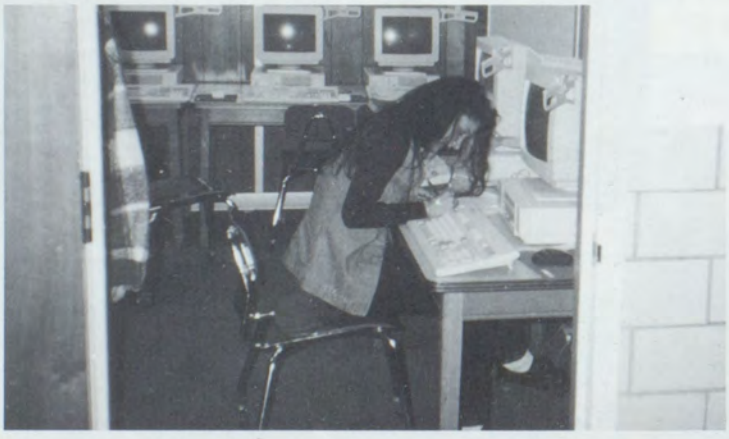
WATCH THESE CHILDREN LEARN SKILLS

"May I have your attention for the morningannouncements?" With these words third hour begins each morning. Following the break and eating of the cookies, students eagerly await to find out the activities for the day. Third hour is full of the more solid classes of the day since it is in the middle of the day and not many school activities are scheduled at this time.

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Above- Sa Thepvanaprasihi works on a paper for English class by doing some revising. She is working in the library which is the perfect place to take out "be" verbs because of the silence.



Above- Mansi Patel works on her reaserch paper for Mrs. Spencer in the Seminar room. These computers are used by many students during the day to aid in their attempt to make an "A."





Timicha Barker, above right, studies a quilt pattern to finish a project in a home economics class. Timicha, a junior at Independence High School, looks forward to the class every day. Senior Jason Finney, above, sands his advanced wood working project in Mr. Hogan's class. The woods students are allowed to construct several projects during the year.

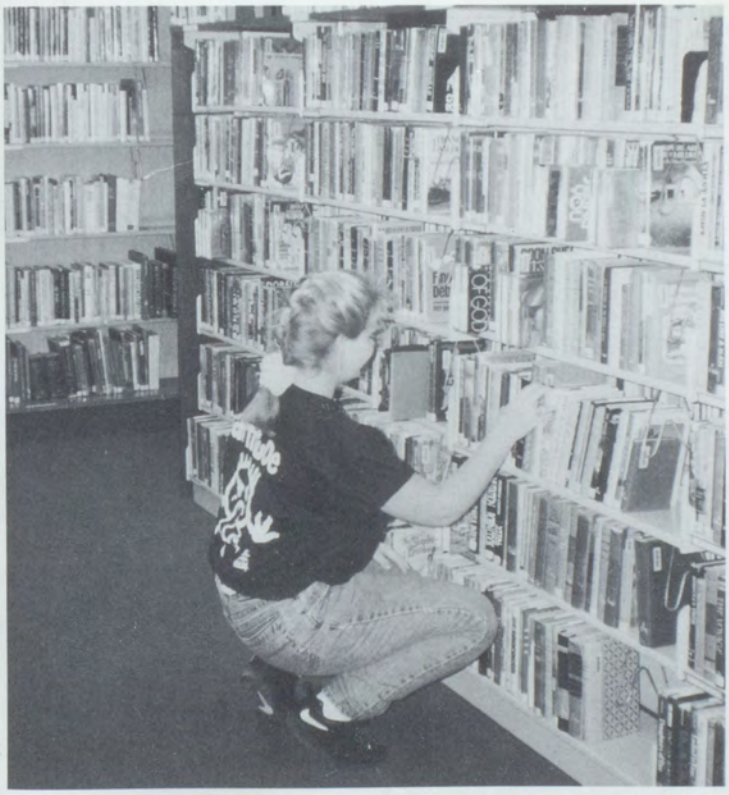
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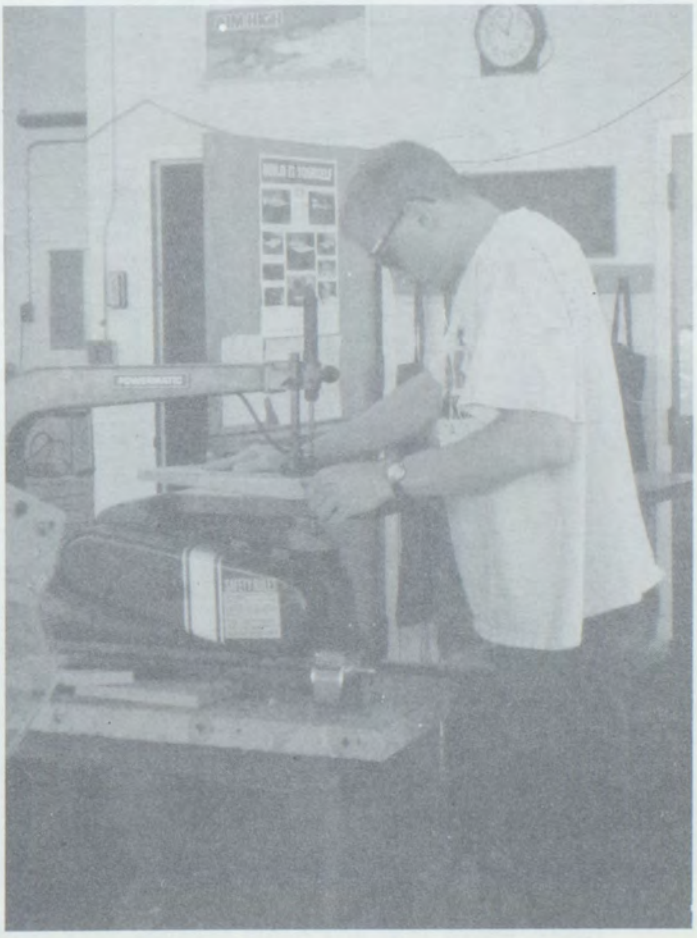
Ron Burke appears in a strange position, that of thinking during a lecture by Mrs. Thompson. Also showing rapt attention is Niki Browning, sophomore.



Jamie Cook, above, studies a literature text in sophomore English class. Jamie appears to be confushed by the assignment but will probably work it out. Dereck Renfro, below, used the jig saw to work on a wood project for Mr. Hogan. Dereck was rated as one of Mr. Hogan's outstanding students during the school year and completed several projects.



Above- Billie Oiler searches for her book needed for her English report. These books are easily found because of the wonderful work of the librarians and their assistants.



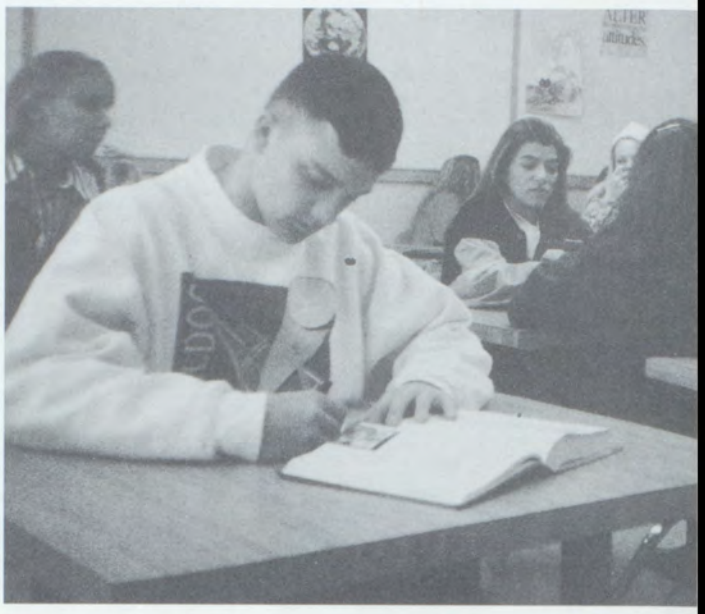
4TH HOUR ADDS FLAVOR TO THE DAY

What's fourth hour's primary purpose? What could it be but lunch? Fourth hour is the time that plans for the noon meal are completed On occasions, the order is phoned in for that instant service. Another purpose of fourth hour is sometimes to iron out any difficulty concerning the transportation.

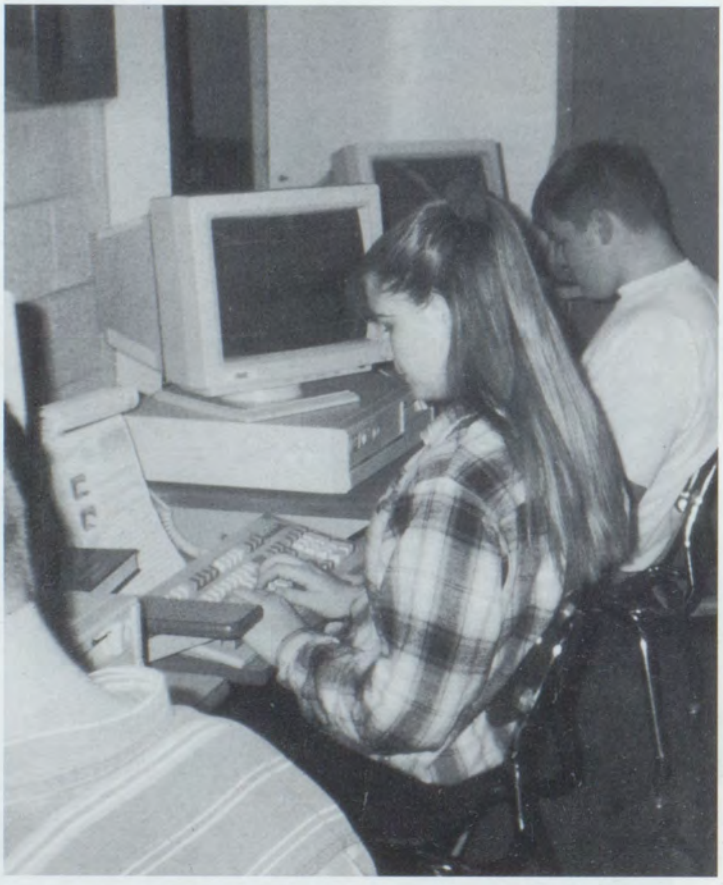
However, some classes do take place and the teachers are to be commended in the attempt to keep the students' interest until lunch.

However, this has improved in the last few years. At one time there was an early lunch bell--ten minutes--and a regular lunch bell. The students who were released on the late lunch bell had problems keeping their attention.

This situation was repeated to a smaller degree this year with the attendance and tardy incentives providing an opportunity for the students to be dismissed early from fourth hour.



Mark Denney, Sophomore, works on his Accounting while on the back of his mind he is thinking about his upcoming tennis match after school.



Above, Jessica Tyler and Aaron Heckman work on their speed ability during keyboarding I in Mr. Sheet's room.

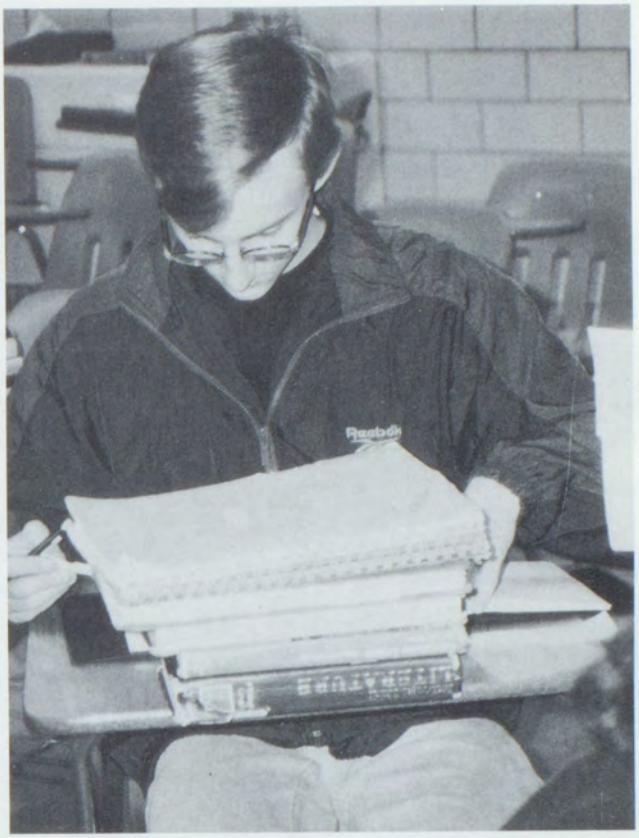


Above, Keri Vannoster and Melinda Werner wait to receive their musical selection choosen by Mr. Hoyt in orchestra.

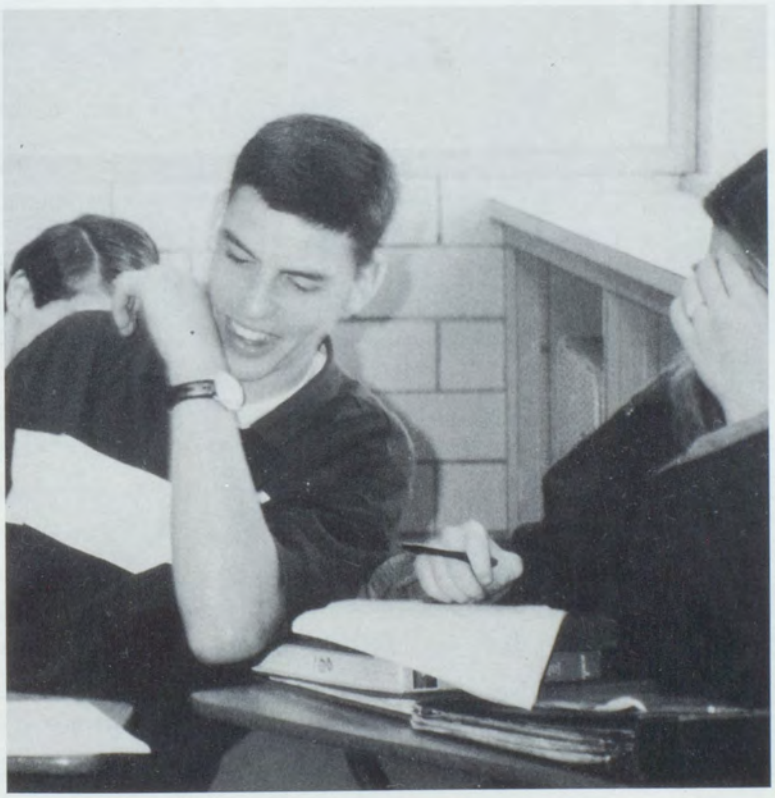
STUDENTS WORK HARD BEFORE LUNCH



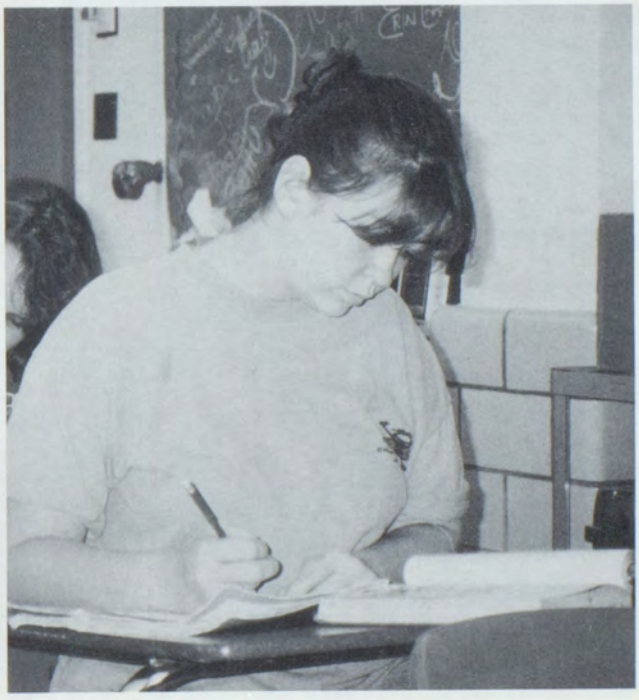
Above, Mrs. Shepard and Tim Bannworth review the media class about their next project as Tara Ballard looks on in anticipation.



Above, Jim McMinn ponders over the work he has completed and reviews for an upcoming test.



Above, Zack Finnen laughs about an answer he is relaying to another classmate. Never take an answer from a laughing man.



Casey Belt works on her French in Mrs. McCray's classroom. Casey hopes to have it done before lunch.

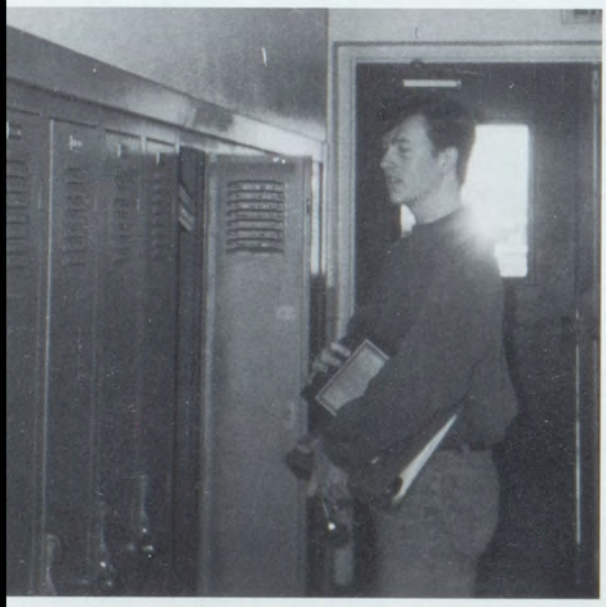
LUNCH PROVIDES MANY OPPORTUNITIES





(Left) Junior Kari Vannoster grabs her afternoon books as she prepares to go out of lunch.

(Above) Philip Umluaf rides his bike out to lunch in support of earth week. Riding bikes instead of cars was one of the activities of earth week.



(Left) Doug Songer puts up his books as he gets ready for lunch. Most students go to their locker to change their books for afternoon classes.

(Right) Juniors Becky Lynch and Corey Sanborn laugh as they get ready to go to lunch with Senior Kari Curtis. Many students meet up with their friends during lunch.





(Above) Mr. Don Collins hands Sophomore Alison Laired a prize from one of the many prizes at a Renaisance Rally. These take place during the lunch hour.

"Let's do lunch." With these words the students of Independence High School take off on one of their most important activities each day. If anybody thinks that there is no hostility in the high school student, please be in the classroom anytime that the bell is just a few seconds late. Lunch includes going out, eating in the cafeteria, or noon meetings, or simply skipping the food part. Lunch is an activity that few students miss and none would be willing to surrender. Lunch is treasured by all at IHS.

FIFTH HOUR DIFFICULT FOR STUDENTS



Sean Torrence, right, works on the machinery in Mr. Hogan's woodshop class. Sean used the class to complete several projects. This advanced class works throughout the year on major projects for family and friends.









Tardy slips and rushing back to school through the halls. Driving back to school faster than parents approve. Trying to smuggle the Sonic cup to the locker for future reference. Suddenly having to go to the restroom halfway through the period because of the quick lunch.

These are all "highlights" of the fifth hour at Independence High School. The period after lunch is difficult for students and for the faculty. After rushing through the lunch period it is difficult to sit down and concentrate on teaching and learning.

(Top) Junior's Lori Vandyne and Sara Etzold learn how to speak Latin in Ms. McCray's class. Lori finds her reading to be a little suspicious.

(Middle Right) Mrs. Shepard keeps her class's attention during fifth hour class. The students are watching the teacher's actions and listening to the words at the same time.

(Above)Christy Frye and Katie King work on some individual work during fifth hour. These two students moved to the back of theclass.

(Above left) Rebecca Fleischer finishes a sewing project for Mrs. Turner's class.

IHS STAFF HAS A VARIETY OF EXPRESSIONS













(Top) Mr. David Torbett sometimes has a problem when he is teaching class. We can only hope he has been adjusting his classes.

(Middle Left) Eisenhower School's Principal Patty Clay didn't like what Mr. Thorton Shelton had to say. No doubt she straightened him out.

(Above) Mr. Doug Lee stands beside Senior and Stuco President Chris Linder during the coronation festivities of the teacher homecoming.

(Top Right) Retiree, Mr. Ron Sheets, helps sophomore Heather Tate duing one of his Keybording classes.

(Middle Right) Music Department teachers Mr. Lewis Hoyt and Mr. Don Farthing take a break from their conversation to smile for the camera. This was Mr. Hoyt's first year to head the orchestra class at IHS. Mr. Farthing is the head of the band.

(Right) Mrs. Lea Shepard licks her mouth as she must have had something mmm mmm good during Neewolah. Mr. Capes looks around trying to decide what food would satisfiy him.

FACULTY ACTIVITIES IN AND OUT OF CLASS

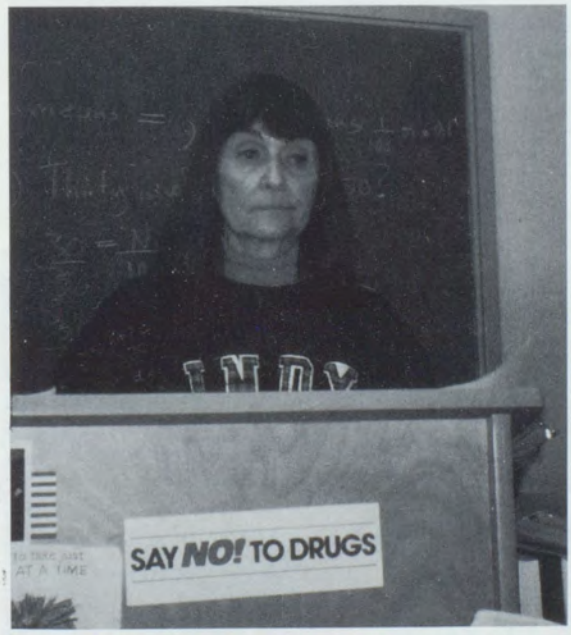












(Top Left) Mr. Larry Rutter hugs retiree Mrs. Martha Bross at the coronation of the teachers homecoming.Mr. Rutter was the King while Mrs. Bross was the Queen this year.

(Middle Left) Miss Freddie Jayne raises her hand to ask a question. She is in the school's lunchroom for a meeting with Kays during Activity Period.

(Left) Mrs. Jean Lundt is excited about teaching today because some of those geometry proofs and algebra equations can be pretty interesting.

(Top Right) Retiree Mr. Don Collins helps with serving the food at the concession stand in the park during the summer.

(Middle Right) Mr. Scott Capes looks for his dog Toto for he is not in Kansas any more. Mr Capes is in Galveston, Texas at the Seawall for the Science Club trip.

(Above) Ms. McCray looks as if she is about to sneeze as she tries to talk with Junior Tony Zemlock and Sophomore Chris Short.

SIXTH HOUR PROVIDES MANY ACTIVITIES



Photo by Kim Johnston

Jeff McDaniel, junior, is enjoying a big laugh in pre-calculus class as the other students are beginning to enter and leave the class. Chris Gab tries to find his ear so that he can leave his pencil there and find it later in the same location.



Photo by Kim Johnston

Erich Umlauf, senior, catches Mr. Knoles by surprise by working on a principles of technology lab during sixth hour. Mr. Knoles involves his teacher assistants in a number of different projects.

During sixth hour there are many activities going on at I.H.S. Some students spend the hour cooking while some spend the time studying during a study hall. Some students spend the time learning a new foreign language while other students practice and try to improve the one they have used since birth. The physical education classes run a fairly busy schedule during this time. One class that only meets during this time slot is the Indy Ensemble. With the seventh hour only in the second year of operation, many students and faculty are still getting accustomed.



Phot by Mary HIndle

Mr. Capes chemistry class takes a few minutes at the end of the hour to reflect on items concerning chemistry. Mr. Capes also instructs physics class and has been responsible for starting the Scum Club to combat pollution.

Junior, Christy Ross was asked about what she thought about her sixth hour class. Here is her response. "Spanish is one of the easiest classes to take. It is even easier than English. Mr. Shire is a good teacher."

Christy Ross



Photo by Erin Chapman

Jim Hogan, technology instructor, works with Jamie Tipton on the sander during the sixth hour class. Mr. Hogan worked with many students on a variety of machines.

STUDENTS BEGIN TO SEE THE DAY OVER



Photo by Mary Hindle

Weight lifting is a challenge to most students but some of the IHS finest enroll in this class knowing what is expected. Pictured above Jaimie Watson, Sheree Watson, and Trenise Hayes serve as spotters for a weghtlifter.



Photo by Harly Mathews

Jesse Cox, sophomore, checks the attendance sheets to see who was absent or tardy during sixth hour while Mandy Boring, senior, looks on to make sure everything is done right. Being an office assistant takes a great deal of work and patience.

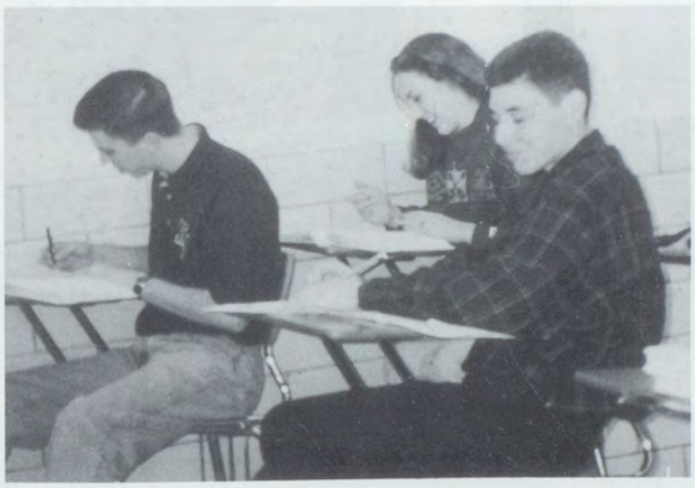


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Nick Schroeder, junior, figures some complex Spanish translation in Rocky Shire's Spanish class. Jeff Schuster and Carrie Shire also continue to work on the class assignment. Independence High School offers various levels of Spanish.



Photo by Harly Mathews

Jay Jones and Alison Auxter lead the Indy Ensemble in learning dance steps during the sixth hour of the school day. The group learns to dance, sing, and perform during the class and uses these talents throughout the community.

Photo below by Harly Mathews



Speech class, left, gives Shawna Breneman, Gina Fienen, and Erica Simpson a chance to listen to an interesting sixth hour presentation. Mrs. Rachel Torbett took time this year to make and hang curtains in her room and to bring plants from home so the atmosphere would be more pleasant.

SEVENTH HOUR ENDS A HARD DAYS WORK

Seventh hour, the final hour. A long day is almost ready to come to a close and students anxiously await the ringing of the bell.

For many, seventh hour is the hardest and the longest hour of the day, especially since the day is now ten minutes longer than in past years.

With this extra hour, students can take an additional class to try to get ahead.

Seventh hour brings the sounds of the band rehearsing, students writing, cooking, or doing many other academic activities throughout the school.



Photo by Shawna Wantland

Matt Spencer, above, works with fellow sophomores Kavita Patel and Mark Denney on future plans. Matt served as president this year.

Jeff Rasnick, right, concentrates during Mrs. Mani's English class. Jeff is reading, writing, editing, and blowing a bubble.



Photos above and below by Shawna Wantland

Kari Billingsly, Kristina Harris, and Shawn Oliver all practice writing "fake checks" during consumer survey class. Hopefully, this practice will not continue the rest of their lives.

Frank King and Derek Denton, below, shape things up in wood shop class. These students progress to more difficult projects throughout the year.

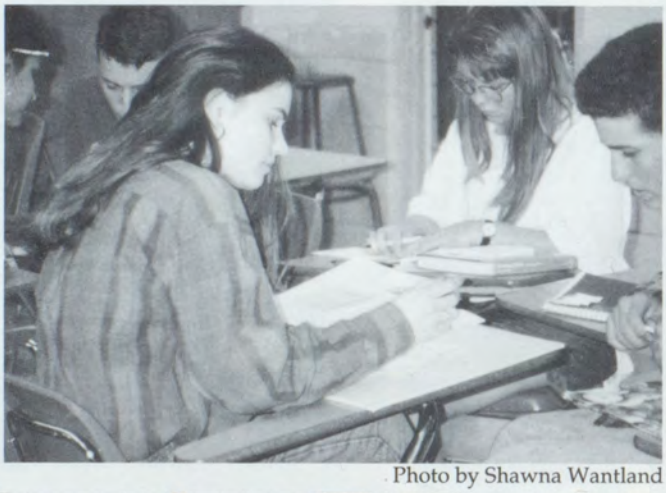
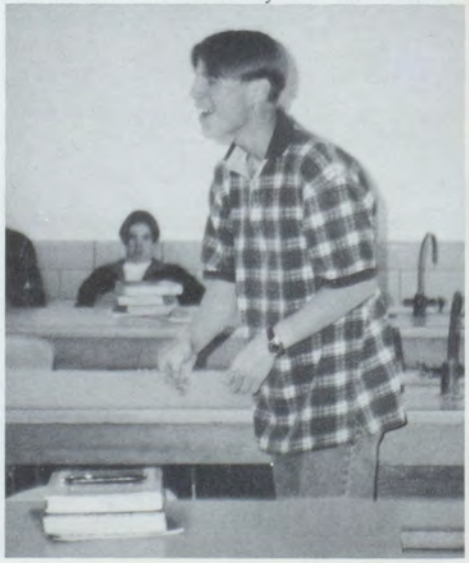


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Nick Baker, right, enjoys a moment of levity during biology class. Nick transferred back to the Independence school after spending some time in Oklahoma schools.



CLOCK WATCHERS PREPARE TO LEAVE



Photo by Tera Duke.

Tovnia Betts, Lefric Mears, and Jessica Fleischer, all sophomores, work in the seminar room on the computers to type papers for one of their classes.



Photo by Tera Duke.

Justin Gray, sophomore, works in the seminar room on a reasearch paper for one of his classes. When Justin becomes an upper classman he will use the seminar room many times for variors teachers.



Photo by Shawna Wantland.

Sheree Watson, senior, plays the french horn during one of bands rehearsals. Notice the formation of her fingers and how she holds her instrument. After four years of high school band, Sheree should be ready for college band. This was the first year for band to be seventh hour. In past years it has been first hour. With this change of hours, the orchestra now gets to use the band room for themselves.



Photo by Harley Mathews.

Jeff Sherwood, junior, works on a lab project for Mr. Capes chemistry class. Look at the concentration on Jeff's face. He really wants to get the paper done and get a good grade on it. Numerous juniors took chemistry in order to further their knowledge in the science department.



Photo by Harley Mathews.

Becky Lynch and Jami Paugh, both juniors, work on a chemistry project for Mr. Capes' class. Jami is putting all her concentration into the project, while on the other hand, Becky watches Jami and tries to help her out. Chemistry is a difficult class for some students, while it is very easy for others.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES INVOLVE MANY



Photo by Mary Hindle

Aminta Rader, left, controls her enthusiam during a girls' tennis match at the Riverside tennis courts. Sitting next to Aminta, in the shadows, is Allison Auxter, junior. Watching sports, playing sports, just goofing off around sports are some of the favorite after school activities of Independence High School students. Sports are an important part of the school and the programs are built on after-school participation.



Photo by Erin Chapman

Diane Blandamer and Sherrie Meade attempt to grab a ride after school. If that isn't the case, they stopped the car to visit a few minutes before they find a nice quiet place to study. Another option is that they are just chatting.



Photo by Mary Hindle

The student body of Independence High School takes a little time out during the basketball game to rest, talk, sit down, and generally act like teenagers. The basketball games provide a major form of entertainment for the high school student as the season goes along.



Photo by Mary Hindle

Jay Alexander, above, sits with friends during a freshman game at Shulthis Stadium at Riverside Park. During the early part of the season, the late afternoon games were extremely warm for spectators and players.

After school. After hours. Free time. No books. No teachers. Just friends. Hopefully, the time after school does provide the students some time with books and time with teachers and time for learning. However, most students prefer to regard the time once the last bell rings as their own time--for themselves, for their friends, for whatever happens in their lives. This free time allows the student to concentrate on school the next day and each day.

STUDENTS FIND OUTLETS IN MANY AREAS

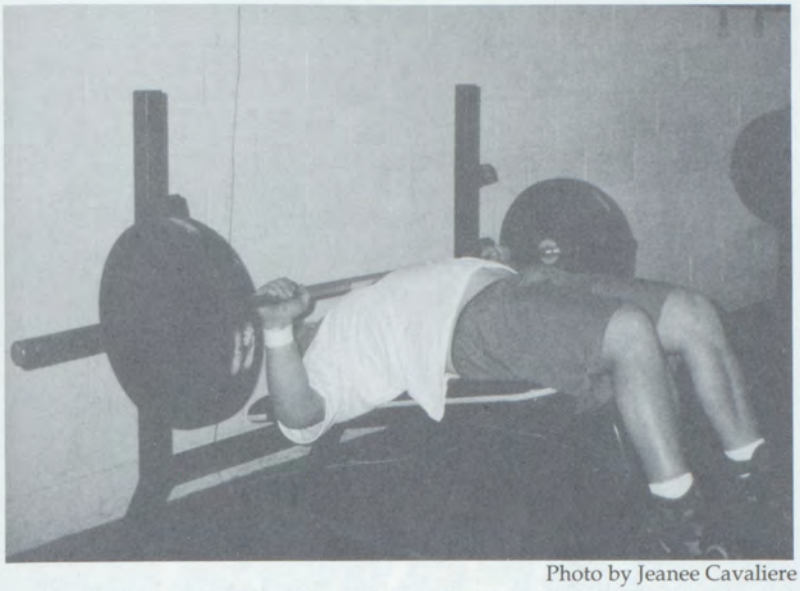


Photo by Jeanee Cavaliere

Senior Robert Clapp, above, shows his bare stomach during a bench press in the Bulldog weight room. The off-season weight program is important to many students and coaches to keep athletes in shape.

Independence High School students live busy lives. Often, the students feel the teachers believe that each class is the only life the student leads. However, many activities, some mandatory and some discretionary, exist for the students once the school day is closed. Typically the after school life becomes increasingly frantic as the student progresses toward graduation.

The cheerleaders, below, lead the crowd in a familiar cheer during a time-out during a basketball game at Losey gymnasium. The student crowd at IHS is noted for getting involved verbally in the game and rooting for the teams.



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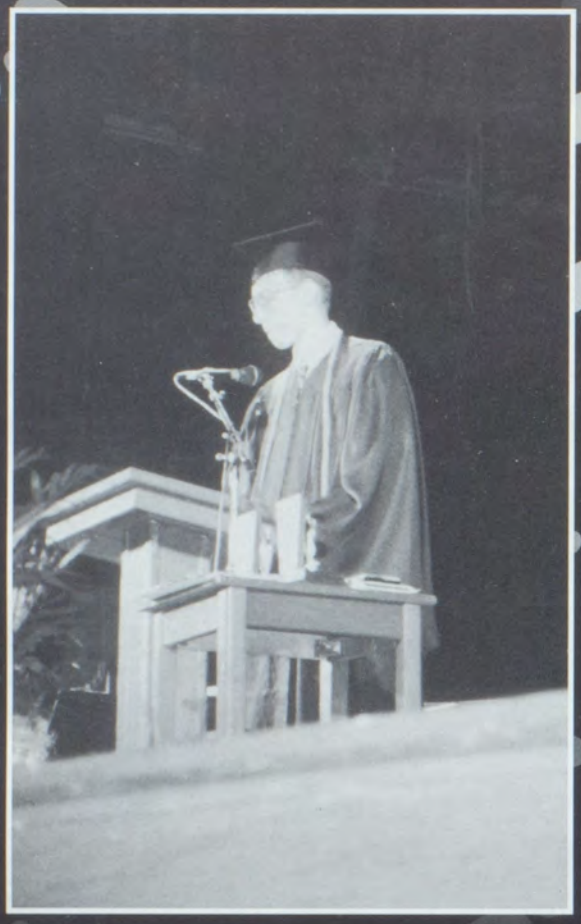
Angela Arnold takes a look at the graduates pictured in the foyer. This annual senior project was started two years ago and each graduate provides a senior picture so that the class can be remembered as years slip past.



Photo by Mrs. Torbett

One of the highlights of the year, at least for the yearbook staff members, is the distribution of the efforts of the previous year. Ashley Sutherland makes sure a couple of students properly sign before receiving their yearbooks.

JOSTENS



Josten's provides a large number of services for Independence High School.

Included in these are the publishing of the yearbook, the selling of graduation announcements, providing memory books, and a variety of medals throughout the year.

Kim Behrman is the representative from Jostens for the yearbook. She lives in Pittsburg, but covers most of Kansas and part of Missouri. She visits the school several times each year offers advice, help, and encouragement.

Dick Powell, of Chanute, is the class ring, senior announcements, and senior memorabilia man.

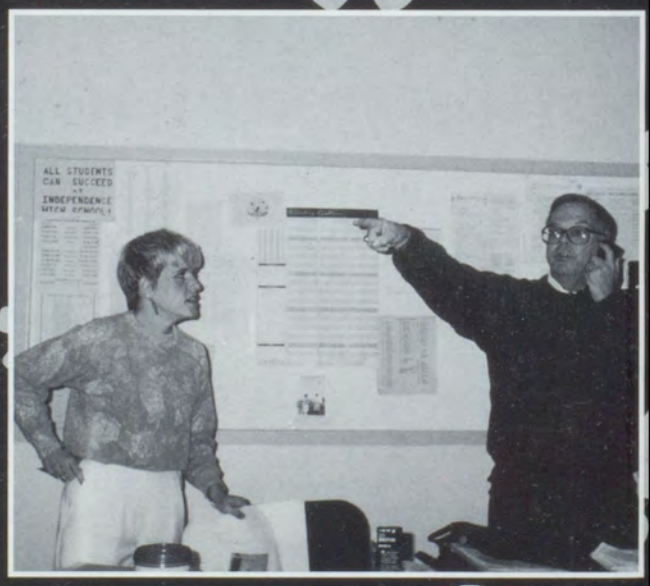
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Tim Bannwarth, salutatorian, above, gives his address at graduation. Jostens provides memory books, graduation announcements and a variety of other items for graduation. Below, Jostens representative Dick Powell assists Chris Tucker in the selection of his class ring. The class rings are purchased during the sophomore year, with a majority of them supplied by Jostens. In a special incentive for the Renaissance program, Josten's provided a class ring for the winner of a drawing at one of the assemblies early in the year.

Below, Kim Behrman, Jostens yearbook consultant, assist Mr. David Torbett with questions he has. Kim came to the school periodically to aid the staff in the making of the *Orange and Black*. She provides technical advice, motivation and creative suggestions to the staff. Kim calls on schools throughout eastern Kansas and over into western Missouri. She has worked with Josten's for a number of years and is experienced in using the computers.





SOPHOMORES

Adolph-Bockover 78

Bonham-Grossman 79

Hammerman-Murphy 80

Myers-Washburn 81

Watson-Powers 82

SOPHOMORES

Sophomores. Class of 1997. No longer freshmen. Seasoned IHS veterans.

These phrases tell only part of the story of the sophomore class. This group of students, led by Matthew Spencer as president, slowly started developing the leadership qualities needed at Independence High School as they became upperclassmen.

In the IHS structure the sophomores become more important. They are responsible for prom refreshments, take part in varsity athletics, can serve as debs in the Queen Neelah competition, and learn how to win the various class competitions. The sophomores can also look forward to going to the prom when they become juniors.



Photo by Shawna Wantland

During the sophomore year, the class in sexualilty is one of the required courses. The teacher, Mrs. Julie Thompson, uses a variety of methods to teach this potentially controversial class. Outside speakers, films, and experiences of numerous other people are all part of this class.

Robby Adolph
Mark Affolter
Mike Anderson
Angela Arnold
Josh Bailey
Randy Banning

Steven Bauer
Justin Bays
Jason Beiter
Crystal Belt
Jennifer Bennett
Jason Bertie

Tavniah Betts
Kari Billingsley
Sam Blackard
Kathryn Blakemore
Diane Blandamer: *Vice-President*
Crystal Bockover



CLASS OF 1997



Pamela Bonham
Brian Bosse
Keli Brashar
Niki Browning
Wendy Bryan
Brandy Buchanan

Jinny Burdett
Ron Burke
Felicia Butler
Sarah Caflisch
Shaun Carter
Dennis Catron

Annie Cessna
Heather Connelly
Jamie Cook
Desirea Counsil
Jennifer Counsil
Jesse Cox

Rolanda Cox
Lea Davidson
Mark Denney
Erin Dennis
Peter Edwards
Tiffany Encinia

Jon Fairbank
Gina Fienen
Jessica Fleischer
Bill Foraker
Ricky Fraley
Rob Friesen

Christy Fry
Halli Gann
Brandi Geyer
Robby Gilfillan
Summer Goodman
Alicia Grabham

Justin Gray
Josh Grayson
David Greenberg
Becky Gress
Carrie Grossman

SOPHOMORES

Paul Hammerman
Shaun Hampton
Hope Hanen
Christina Harris
Jami Harris
Jamie Harrod

Scott Hill
Heather Hixon
Quinton Hoffman
Jeff Hutchison
Gary Jabben
Jered Jackson

Dana Jensen
Chadd Johnson
Steve Johnston
Peter Kaufmann
Chris Kelly
Melissa Kemp

Jami King
Lafe Kirkpatrick
Mike Kleiber
Casey Knisley
Alyson Laird
Ryan Lankard

Iassce Lawrie
Randy Lee
Jenny Loether
Ricky Martinez
Harley Matthews: *Secretary*
Travis Maupin

Kathy McPheeters
Sherie Meade
Lefric Mears
Jeremy Merritt
Mark Messenger
Jason Metzger

Dustin Mills
Stephen Mills
Melissa Morris
Corrine Morse
Stormy Munkirs
Ben Murphy



CLASS OF 1997



Robert Myers
Shawn Oliver
Kavita Patel
Michelle Payden
Bryan Price
Jodie Ray

Jason Reddick
Scott Reeves
Chad Reichenberger
Melissa Reynolds
Tonya Rice
Jermey Robertson

Michelle Robertson
Dustin Ross
Melissa Ross
Micah Seybold
Carrie Shire
Chris Short

Chris Shouse
Mike Shrum
Graham Sikes
Tim Simpson
Stephen Smith
Doug Songer

Matt Spencer : *President*
Tammy Stephenson
Carrie Stockton
Sarah Stockton
Janie Strange
Jason Sutherland

T.J. Sutton
Heather Tate
April Thompson
Justin Thomsen
Stacy Tompkins
Kristie Triebel

Kari Trollope
Amber True
Chris Tucker
Christy Van Fossen
Mike Walker
Stephenie Washburn

SOPHOMORES

Dayna Watson
Kelly Werner: *Treasurer*
Shondra White
Mary Whitson
Andy Wiester
Roxanne Wright

John Zamora
Tiffany Zemlock
Lacie Berry
Matt Peltzer
Michael Powers



The sophomores no longer got picked on and teased. They were preparing to be upperclassmen and got more respect from the higher classes. Being a sophomore isn't easy, but it does have it's advantages

NOT PICTURED:

Patrick Boles
Alfred Castorena
Nathan Clark
Dan Gibson
Jimmy Holt
Delandrick Johnson
Melissa Larsh
Larry Martinez
Jeffery McCoy
Misty Miles
Evan Miller
Shawn Moreau
Natalie Reed
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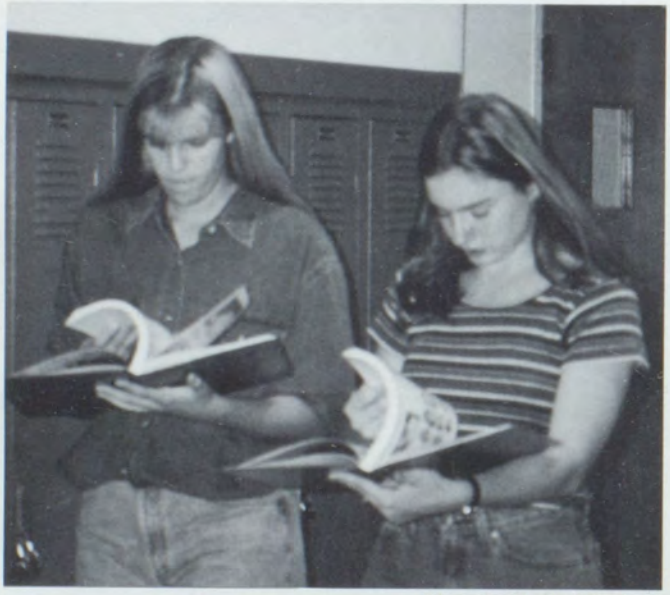


Photo by Rachel Torbett.

Jami Harris and Jennifer Bennett show off their good taste in reading material by browsing through the 1994 *Orange and Black* yearbook. Every year the yearbook class takes pictures and writes copy to make a yearbook for the students of IHS to remember the memories they have had. Now that Jennifer and Jamie have a yearbook, they will never forget a face or name.

Photo by Erin Chapman.



Katie Blakemore works hard for the K.A.Y.S. project , the"I'm kissable I don't smoke." Amber Dowlin, Senior, stands back and supervises to make sure everything is done correctly. The Kays were involved in many different activities throughout the year.

"I was glad to make the double digits. You know, the big 10. I also enjoyed being in track, but coach Lusk and Hendren need help"
Michelle Robertson

CLASS OF '97 MOVES AHEAD IN ACADEMICS



Photo by Shawna Wantland.

Carrie Stockton struts her stuff down Penn Ave. during the fall homecoming parade. She looks proud to be playing the drum for Independence High School, but who wouldn't be proud to have that honor?



Photo by Mary Hindle.

Jami King, left, patiently waits for her turn to play tennis. She might need to use that entire container of tennis balls for practice, or she might just need one ball for the day. Jami qualified for state tennis. As the students become sophomores more qualify for the state competition.

The Sophomores have made it for two years. Half of their high school career is over. With only two years left, the sophomores should be extremely excited. They can now begin to get ready for their first prom and after-prom experience, be on more varsity sports, and have many other options. Most will probably begin to focus on which college to go to and what to do with themselves after graduation.

Sophomores were able to take more elective classes and make more decisions on their own. Most have found out that the classes become more challenging and they have more homework. The class of '97 still has room to grow, but they are a good group of students.



Rob Frieson, sophomore, wanders down the hall at IHS. The time between classes is very important to most IHS students, as it gives them the time to be with friends.



Staff Photo.

Matt Spencer, Sophomore class president, and other STUCO members pays close attention to what is being said during one of the Student Council meetings in Mrs. Thompson's room.

AT LAST I' M NOT A FRESHMAN ANYMORE



Photo by Harly Mathews

Above: Shandra White plays her clairinet during seventh hour band. Band was changed to seventh hour this year due to orchestra needing a room. This also inabled those students wishing to take both Orchestra and Band to do so, without having to shuffle days that they have band or Orchestra. The IHS band received a one rating from all three judges at regional music competion this year.

Photo by Harley Mathews



Dayna Watson is either very anctious to get to class in the seven hundred building or has just finished talking with freinds. When asked to compare her freshman and sophomore years she replied, "This year has gone by faster."

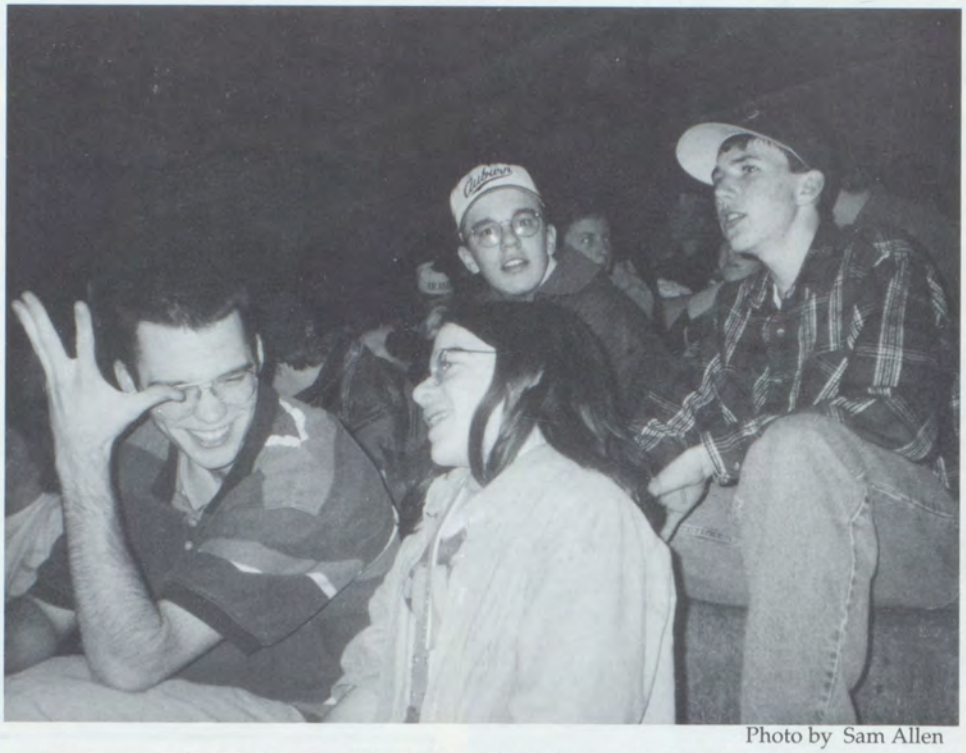


Photo by Sam Allen

"Come on Bulldogs, do your thing!" David Whiley and Jeff Adolf watch a basketball game and cheer for the team over the shoulders of Mike Walker and Shaun Carter. Several students show their spirit by attending these basketball games in the winter. Often times, the same faces were seen over and over with the loyal fans attending almost every game.



Photo by Erin Chapman



Photo by Shawna Wantland

"Wait! I can't see any thing!" Above: Micheal Shrum guides his partner through the cafeteria during a "trust walk" for sexuality class. This and other activities done in class are used to build trust within the class. The trust is needed because the class is very open. This is a class which every sophomore is required to take.

Bonjour! Comment allez vous? Left: Melissa Morse contemplates a quiz over a movie in French class. This is Melissa's second year in French and has plans to continue.

SECOND YEAR OF IHS CHALLENGES CLASS



Photo by Tera Duke

Oh those popular Otis Spunkmeyer cookies! Above, Halli Gann is caught eating a cookie at 200 hall during break. The popular cookies were sold by the Special Education class throughout the year. This was the second year that these cookies were sold.

Below, Carrie Stockton decorates a giant cookie during the Kay Valentine's party. Kays is a club that participates in public services.

Photo by Harley Mathews





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Above: All work, no play. This was the motto that the students in Mr. Torbett's sophomore English class were adopting on this day as they use the time after completing an assignment as a study hall.

Andy Weister, right, runs around the wrestling room during wrestling practice.The participants went through arduous workouts daily to provide the proper conditionting for the sport. Andy was forced to quit talking while he ran.



Photo by Shawna Wantland



Photo by Harley Mathews

Above: Kelly Brasher wonders why she is at school or whether she is at school. The morning comes terribly early for some students. Some students arrive as early as 7 a.m. in order to prepare for the day, or for some, this is when the ride is available. On the other hand, some don't arrive until eight or later.

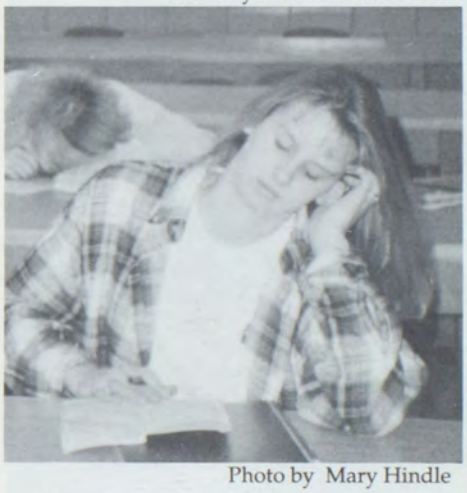


Photo by Mary Hindle

Melissa Reynolds reads a book at the end of Biology class after she finishes an assignment. This time is very important to some students trying to catch up on homework they had neglected to do at home.

CLASS OF '97 NEEDS NO EXPLANATIONS!



Photo by Tera Duke

Above: "Who was that?" someone catches the eye of Steven Smith as he walks down one hundred hall. This is one of the few times that this hall is not crowded. One hundred hall is one of the busiest halls as it is the home of several of the English and History classes.

Below: "How does this sound?" Sara Stockton tries her skill on the mallet as she waits for her ride, or her sister in the band room after school. Many times students wait for their rides in the band-room.

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Above: "How do you say that in French?" Ricky Fraley looks for just the right word as he finishes his French paper. In French II there were several times that Mrs. McCray expected the students to write many essays in French, and to read them aloud. The students were to keep a notebook for their homework, quizzes, and notes from the class. Though many times students look at foreign language classes as being difficult, there are also fun times.

Below: Gina Fienen brushes her hair while waiting for instruction from the teacher. this is a time that many students take advantage of. Many use the time for talking, some for putting the final touches on homework, or just straight doing their homework.

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"Do you know what he did?" Could be what Chrissy Belt is telling Dayna Jenson, above, as they wait for class to begin. Many students use the precious four minutes between classes to catch up on the current affairs at Independence High School.

Desirea Council contemplates her locker before starting a new school day. Her locker decoration of the drawing was perhaps one of her finest accomplishments of her sophomore year. The locker experience is one that all students treasure as they share lockers, change locker partners, stay alone, or never even find their locker. However, if the student is assigned to a good traffic area, probably many friends will suddenly appear to share the locker.

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SOPHOMORES INTEGRAL PART OF SCHOOL



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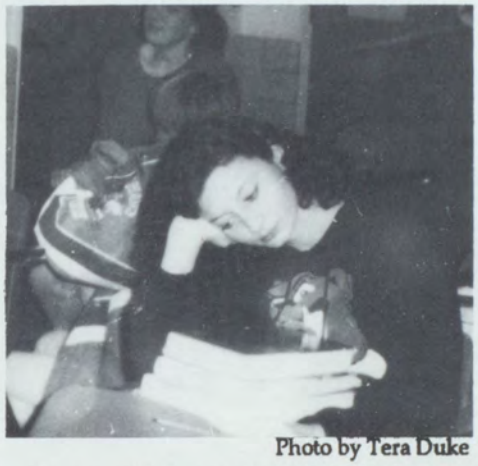


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Ah seventh hour, finally, and only a few minutes until the bell rings at 3:10. Michelle Robertson, above, sits in seventh hour waiting for the bell to ring. The last five minutes can be the longest of the day for some students.

Natalie Reed and Katja Freitag share a laugh during lunch hour in the school cafeteria. Both were new of IHS this year.

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Chris Kelly, above, sophomore, fills an important sack during the KAY meeting at the school cafeteria. Chris is increasingly active in this important service activity at the school.

"Is that what my eye really looks like?" Micah Seybold looks to see what finishing touches need to be done to the drawing of his eye.

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Three for lunch? Ryan Lankard, Shaun Carter, and Quentin Hoffman all finish off lunch. These three sophomores spend many lunch periods eating at the same table or with friends. However, sometimes the students had noon meetings which prevented them from eating together. Most cafeteria students eat in about the same area with about the same friends every day. Students, like adults, are creatures of habit.



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Melissa Kemp is walking down the hall apparently she is visiting her locker. When asked to describe her sophomore year she replied, "This has been the best year so far with the best teachers and the most fun."

CLUB FITNESS



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Independence High School students have a unique experieence with the availability of Club Fitnesss. Students have the opportunity to work out on a regular basis during sports seasons. Many non-athletes also take advantage of the weight machines, the exercise machines, the walking track, the racquet ball court, the basketball court.

Faculty members are also known to participate at Club Fitness. Mike Nelson and Jean Lundt offer the range of faculty members who take advantage of the chance to improve their health and physical well-being.

On many occasions the summers find athletes preparing for their season or potential Queen Neelah candidates working out in order offer the best possible chance of being selected.

In addition, owner Roxie Schlatter can tailor a fitness program for each individual.

Above: One of the programs that Club Fitness provides includes a day care center. shown here, children watch television while waiting for their parents to finish working out.

Below: Senior Andrea Ysusi strains to make that last rep of the Nautilus stomach machine.

Right: Senior Alvaro Prieto pulls himself up while working out in the bodybuilding section of the building.





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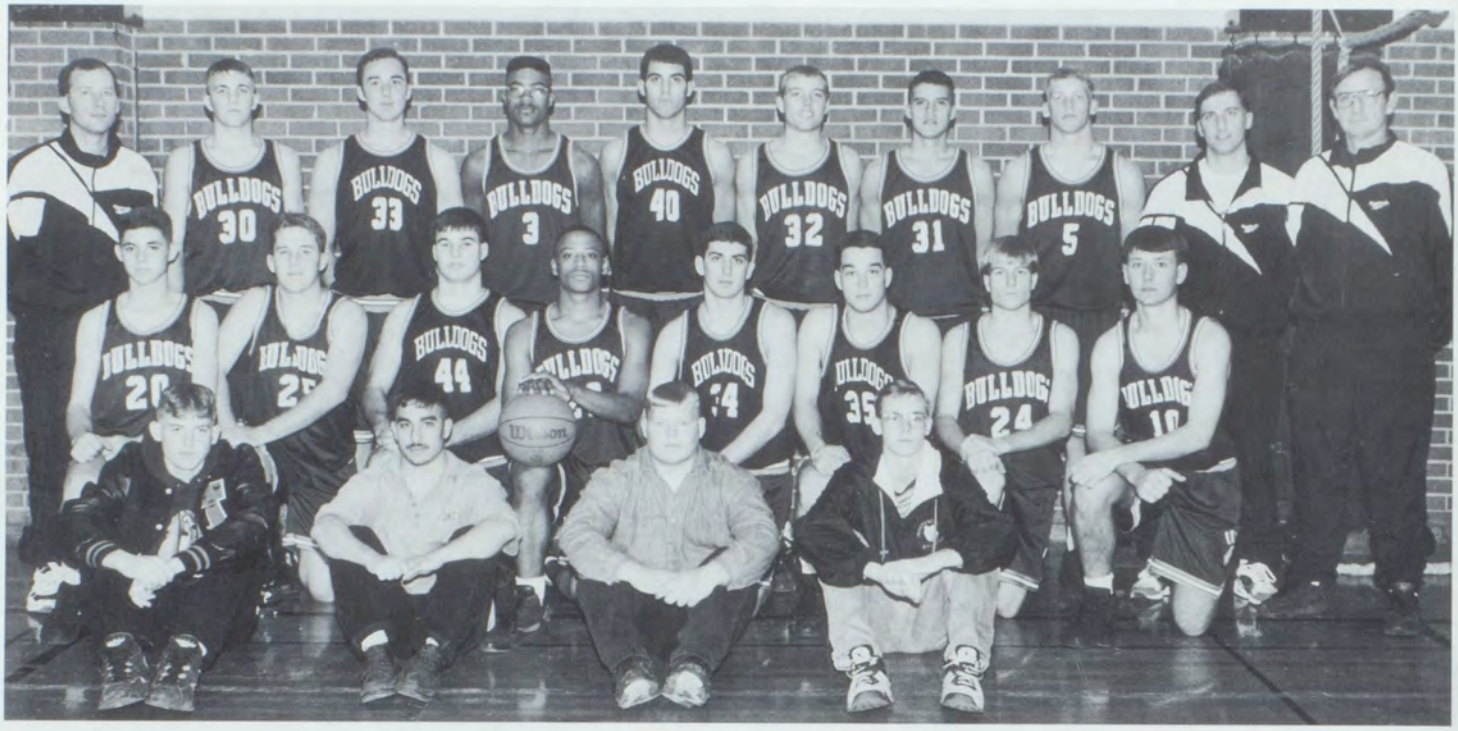
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BULLDOG BASKETBALL IS FANTASTIC!!!!



1995 Boys Varsity Basketball: Front Row (L-R) Sean Torrence, Brandon Root, Robert Clapp, Jay Jones (Managers); Middle Row (L-R) Nick Schroeder, Justin Austin, Chris Gab, Rashon Johnson, Jason Eytcheson, Jeff Rasnick, Tommy Tyler, Andy Stewart. Back Row (L-R) Mike Nelson (Head Coach), Chris Grress, Nick Kurucz, Iassce Lawrie, Casey Strunk, Dereck Renfro, Dustin Meza, Jay Alexander, Mark Hayward (Assist), Larry Hollandsworth (Assist).

Boy's Varsity Basketball Results:

Pittsburg	56-54	W	Columbus	86-74	W
Sunrise	64-42	W	Chanute	72-65	W
Wellington	53-52	W	Parsons	82-73	W
Circle	60-58	W	Coffeyville	67-58	W
Valley Center	60-65	L	Ft. Scott	57-56	W
LCHS	86-49	W	Kapaun	63-62	W
Parsons	88-74	W	Schlagle	75-57	L
Ft. Scott	56-64	L	Great Bend	66-56	L
Coffeyville	83-75	W			
Bluestem	71-41	W			
Harrisonville	45-40	W			
Ft. Scott	55-64	L			
Pittsburg	72-70	W			
Ft. Scott	52-46	W			
Coffeyville	59-57	W			
Iola	66-57	W			
LCHS	74-52	W			

Second-year coach Mike Nelson came in to the 1994-1995 season expecting great things out of his boys basketball cagers, and the team certainly did not disappoint. Under the leadership of seniors Nick Kurucz, Dereck Renfro, and Dustin Meza, along with solid underclassman support, the 'Dogs cruised to a fourth place finish at the state tournament in the Topeka Expocentre.

Consistency is the ideal term to describe the campaign. The team never lost two games in a row prior to the state tournament, and they found themselves ranked high in the newspaper polls throughout the season.

The drama headed to an even higher level as IHS faced the Kapaun Mt. Carmel Crusaders in the opening round of state competition. A Jason Eytcheson jumper with sixteen seconds remaining won the game for the Bulldogs. This momentum carried the squad to its outstanding fourth place finish,

BASKETBALL MAKES STATE TOURNAMENT



Above: Dustin Meza mesmorizes the Fort Scott defense along with the crowd with a spectacular move to the hole during the class 5A sub-state championship game.



Above: With a game full of dramatics it is no wonder that the Independence Varsity Basketball team rejoiced in celebration after they triuphed over the Fort Scott Tigers enroute to the State Tournament.



The relentless crowd support, one of the driving forces to the Bulldogs successful season, is captured in a stupendous moment.



Senior Nick Kurucz drives around an opponent at the state basketball tournament in Topeka. The Bulldogs won the first state tournament game and lost the next two. The state tournament appearance marked the first time the Bulldogs had travelled to Topeka since taking second three years ago. The 'Dogs hope to return in 1996.

All photos by Julia Clarke

BOYS JV EARNS VALUABLE EXPERIENCE

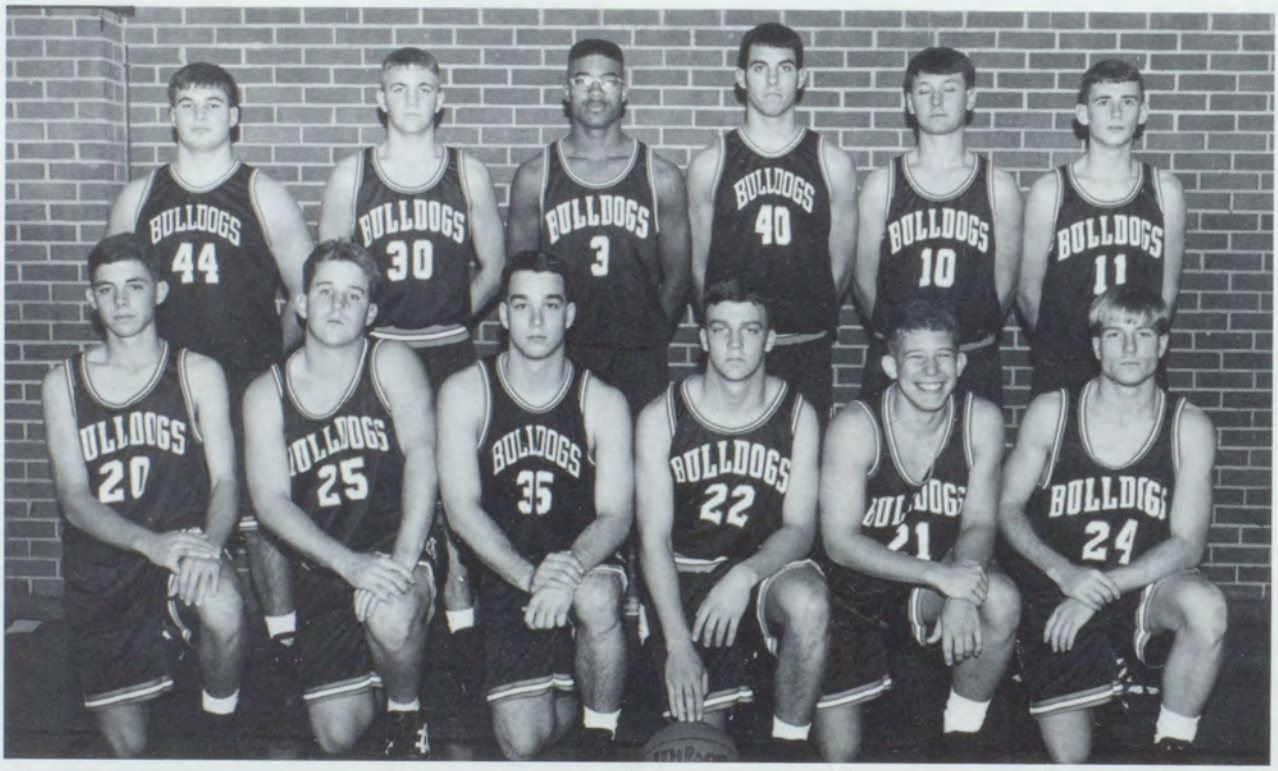
The junior varsity Bulldog basketball team concluded an extremely successful year on the hardwoods. The team ended the season with a 12-5 record.

The team faced unusually high expectations going into the season. Last year, also under the coaching of Mark Hayward, the Independence junior varsity enjoyed an undefeated season. However, this record was not possible to match due to the fact that several players who ordinarily would have played more junior varsity basketball were moved to the varsity level and saw more varsity action.

One of the highlights of the season was the winning of the Independence Invitational Junior Varsity Tournament. In the tournament, IHS defeated Bartlesville, Pittsburg and Labette County High School.

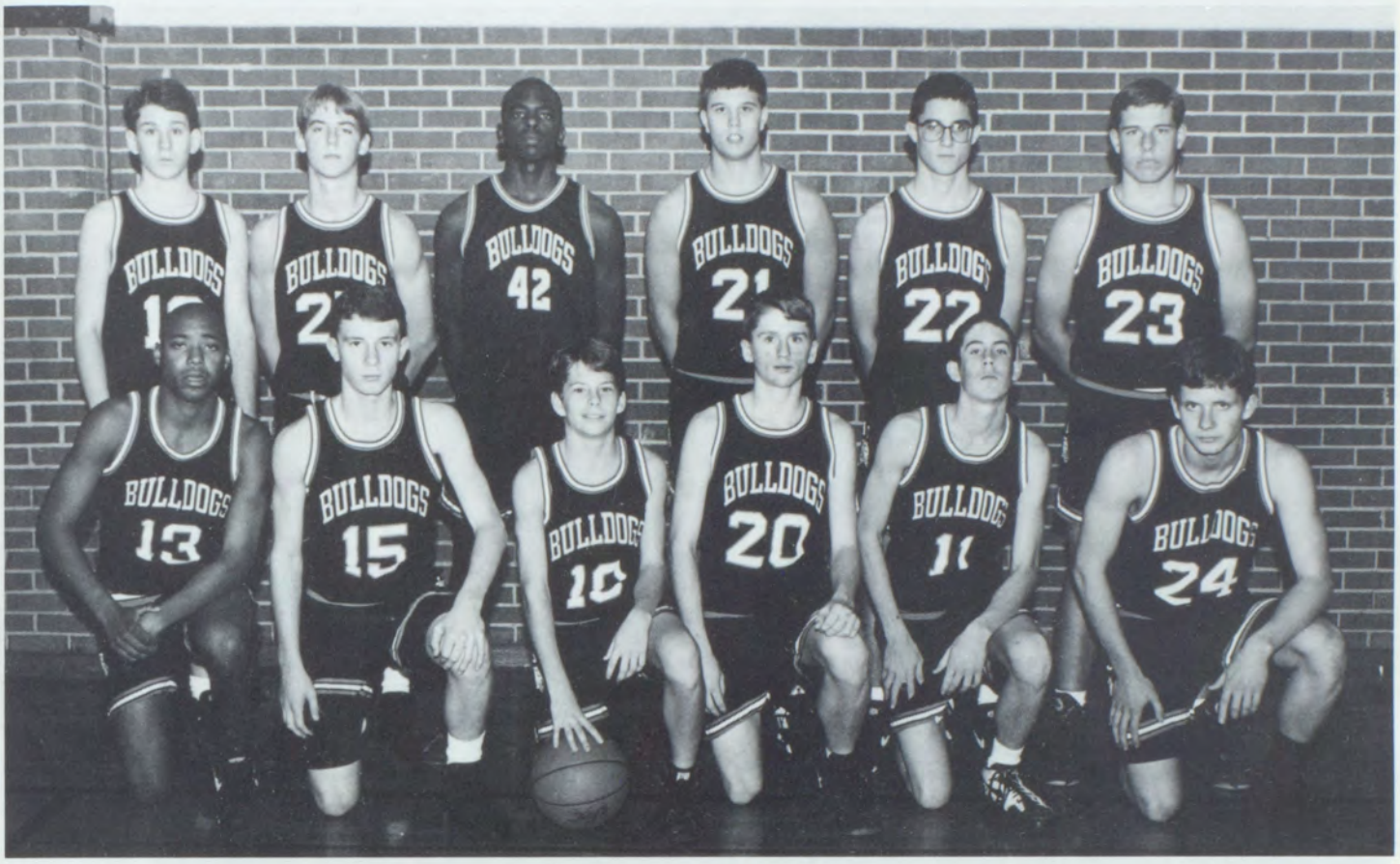
Junior Varsity Basketball Results

Pittsburg	67-71	Pitt.	62-56
LCHS	83-38	Ft. Scott	46-50
Valley Center	49-64	Coffeyville	61-48
B'ville	57-49	Iola	65-57
Pittsburg	50-46	LCHS	72-44
LCHS	63-38	Columbus	87-58
Parsons	48-52	Chanute	74-32
Ft. Scott	49-61	Parsons	70-61
Coffeyville	76-56		



Junior Boys Basketball:
Front Row (L-R) Nick Schroeder, Justin Austin, Jeff Rasnick, Mark Denney, Matt Spencer, Tommy Tyler
Back Row (L-R) Chris Gab, Chris Gress, Iassce Lawrie, Casey Strunk, Andy Stewart, Scott Hill

FRESHMEN ENJOY FIRST SEASON OF B-BALL



Front Row (L-R): Jason Simpson, Steven Haines, Nick Dailey, Mark Stevens, Gregg Chubb, Luke Emmot
Back Row (L-R): Brad Rice, Corey Strunk, Tim Henderson, Jed Newkirk, Danny Julian, Chris Confer. Not pictured is Coach Larry Hollandsworth who is completing his first decade at the helm of the IHS freshmen basketball team.

Freshmen Basketball Results

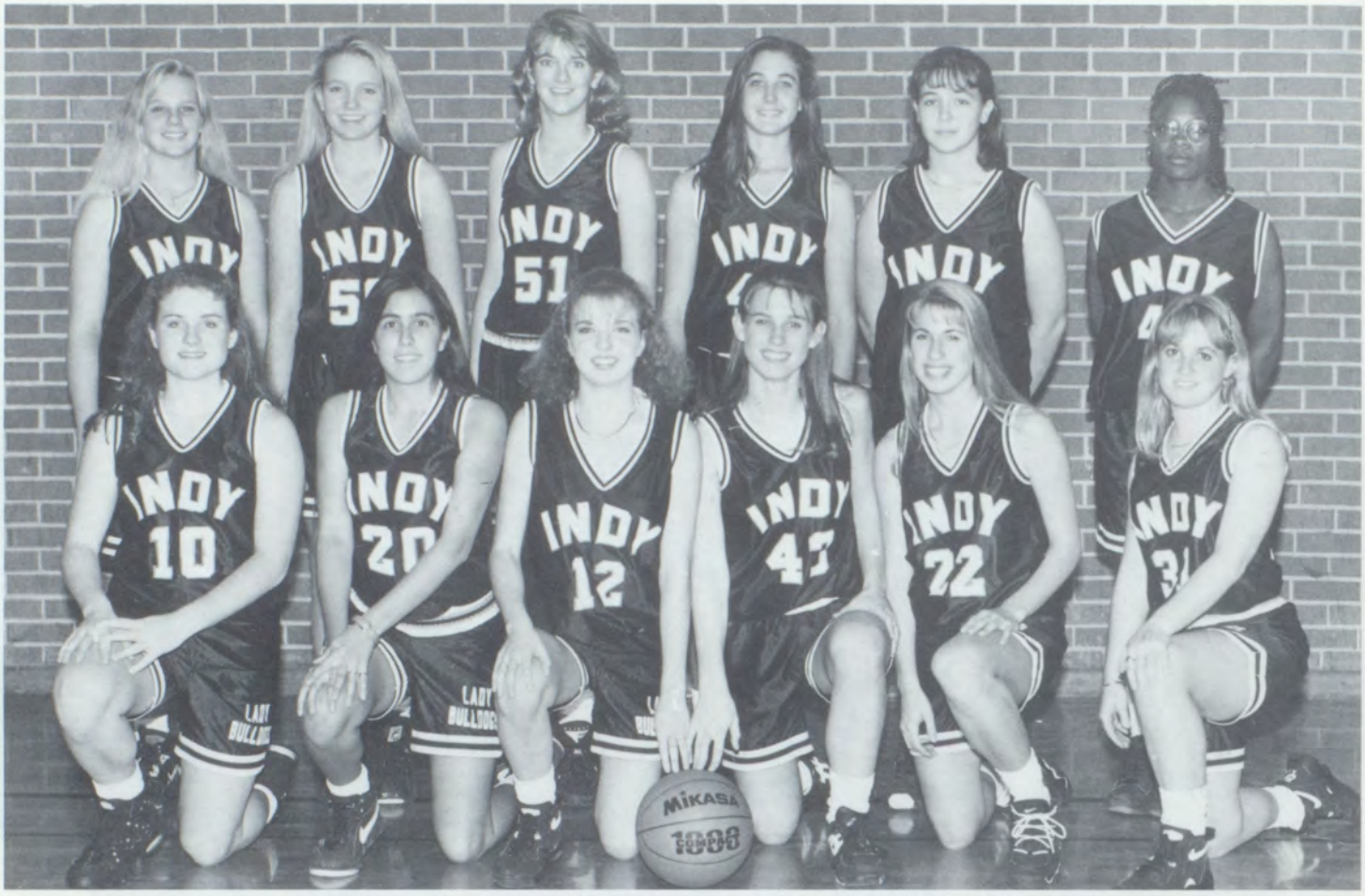
Pittsburg	86-88	Ft. Scott	49-57
Chanute	57-38	Coffeyville	41-35
Parsons	39-46	LCHS	74-51
LCHS	70 -71	Columbus	79-74
LCHS	79-63	Iola	56-54
Parsons	45-54	Chanute	75-35
Ft. Scott	51-61	Ft. Scott	35-63
Coffeyville	54-42	Parsons	50-38
		LCHS	58-59
		Pittsburg	59-51

Coach Larry Hollandsworth led his freshmen basketball players to another successful season.

Coaching freshman basketball is always a challenge in it is about the first time the players play together in a competitive situation for any length of time. Another hardship on the freshmen team is the lack of an adequate gym to practice.

The 1994-95 team overcame these obstacles. Led by Tim Henderson, Jed Newkirk, Jason Simpson and Chris Confer, among others, allowed the freshmen to improve so that the coaches can look forward to these athletes progressing to the junior varsity and varsity levels.

" HITTING THE HOOP, ROCKIN' THE COURT..



AND NOW.....the line-up for Independence!!!!!!!!!! Back row: junior, #44, Melissa Quigley; senior starter, #50, Kim Wilson ; junior, #51, Alison Auxter ; senior starter, #49 Kelly Springer, #45; junior starter, #15, Carrie Mitchell ; junior, #41, Jamie Watson. Front row: senior starter, #10, Jamie Osborn ; senior starter, # 20, Andrea Ysusi ; sophomore, #12, Summer Goodman ; junior, #43, Tera Lynn, ; junior, #22, Jennifer Karleskint ; and junior, #31, Jami Paugh.

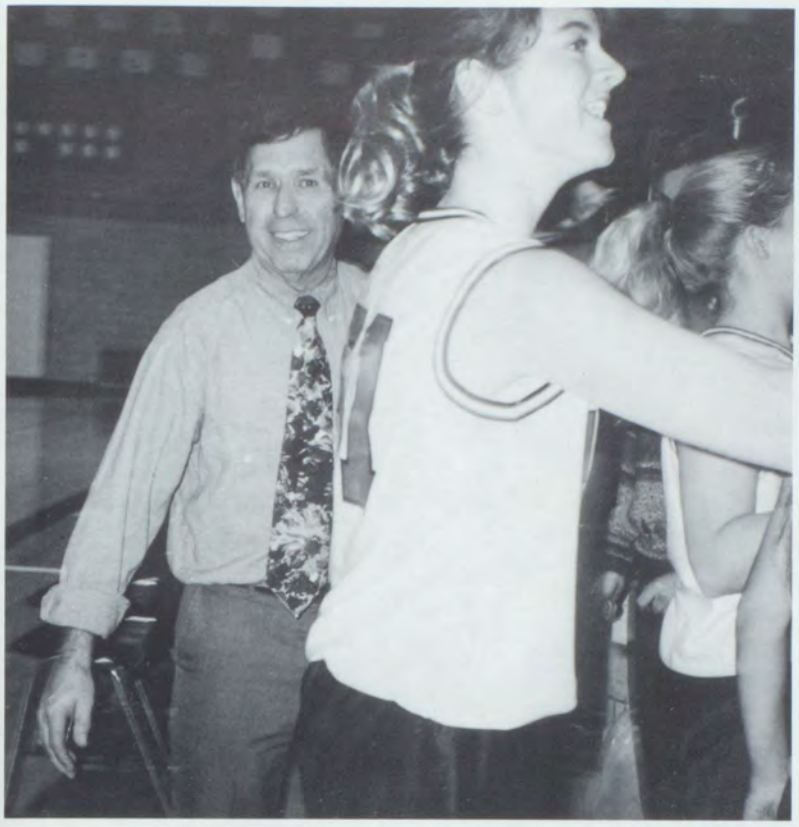
Another magnificent girls basketball season!!!League Co-champions. Winner of three tournaments. Played in the state basketball tournament. Record of 20-3. What a way for the IHS seniors to end their basketball career and what a way for Coach Ron Schwatken to finish his coaching career.

With only two starters returning for the new season, Kelly Springer and Jamie Osborn, the expectations for the team were not lofty. However, the team didn't realize this. With Kim Wilson and Andrea Ysusi contributing more offensively and on the backboards than anyone ever expected, the team continued to improve. The fifth position was shared by Carrie Mitchell and Summer Goodman, and these two combined to make an excellent contribution.

One of the highlights of the year was at Columbus when Jamie Osborn broke the all time scoring mark of Geri Kay Hart. She hit a jumper from the corner early in the first period to break the record. Osborn ended the season with 1405 points.

At the end of the season Coach Schwatken announced his retirement from coaching and teaching at the end of the school year. He retires with the highest winning percentage in the history of any coach at Independence High School.

. . . DOING IT BULLDOG STYLE !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!"





Coach "Schwaty" Schwatken takes a quick timeout for a sneak-peak cheeze at the camera (above at left) while Alison Auxter , junior , Melissa Quigley, junior, and Andrea Ysusi, senior, receives hi-fives and congratulations for another hard-earned victory as she and her teammates enter the locker room after the game. Top right: Jamie Osborn . No Explanations Needed! You would understand if you went to the girls basketall games and witnessed her awesome, show-stopping treys she broke out right at the buzzer. Osborn, a senior, contributed greatly tot the success of the I.H.S. Varsity Lady Bulldog basketall team.. In a late season game at Columbus, Jamie shattered the all-time leading scorer record (1,273 points) previously held by Geri Kay Hart . Jamie finished her high school basketall career and the season with 1,405 points. This dynamic duo will be greatly missed at I.H.S. as Ron Schwatken has announced his retirement as the Physical Science teacher and the Lady Bulldogs Basketball Coach, and Jamie will be moving to Pittsburg to attend school and join up with the Lady Gorillas of Pitt State.



All photos by David Torbett.

"Thanks for coming and supporting us." Another most excellent tradition displayed by the I.H.S. Varsity Lady Bulldog basketball team. This vouch of thanks gives the girls an opportunity to show their sincerity .

Q: "Mr. Schwatken, what do you think were the keys to your successful season?"
A: " Our successful season resulted from team members that did not want to lose. The seniors did an excellent job of showing leadership . The team played outstanding defense most of the season. We won a number of close games that we could have lost. The seniors had a goal of returning to State and did. Jamie set a career total points record for both the guys and the girls with 1,405 points and broke Geri Kay Hart's record of 1,273 points. "

Coach Schwatken was assisted this year by Craig Null, who worked with the freshmen, and Gina Smith Botts, who coached the junior varsity level. Mrs. Botts played basketball at Independence High School and Mr. Schwatken was her coach. She went to Pittsburg State University and played basketball there.

Mr. Null is also a graduate of IHS. He started his teaching acarreer at Independence Middle School after working in the journalism field for a number of years. He is also head softball coach at IHS.

FRESHMAN GIRLS HAVE SUCCESSFUL YEAR



Front row: Joy McBride, Mindy Dye, Roxy DeVore, Lacey Smith, Megan Hardy. Back row: Keri Vannoster, Michelle Karleskint, Lisa Kinnamon, Brittany Holum, Missy Calderon, and Ruthe Hinman.

RESULTS OF GAMES PLAYED (Independence vs. Opponent)

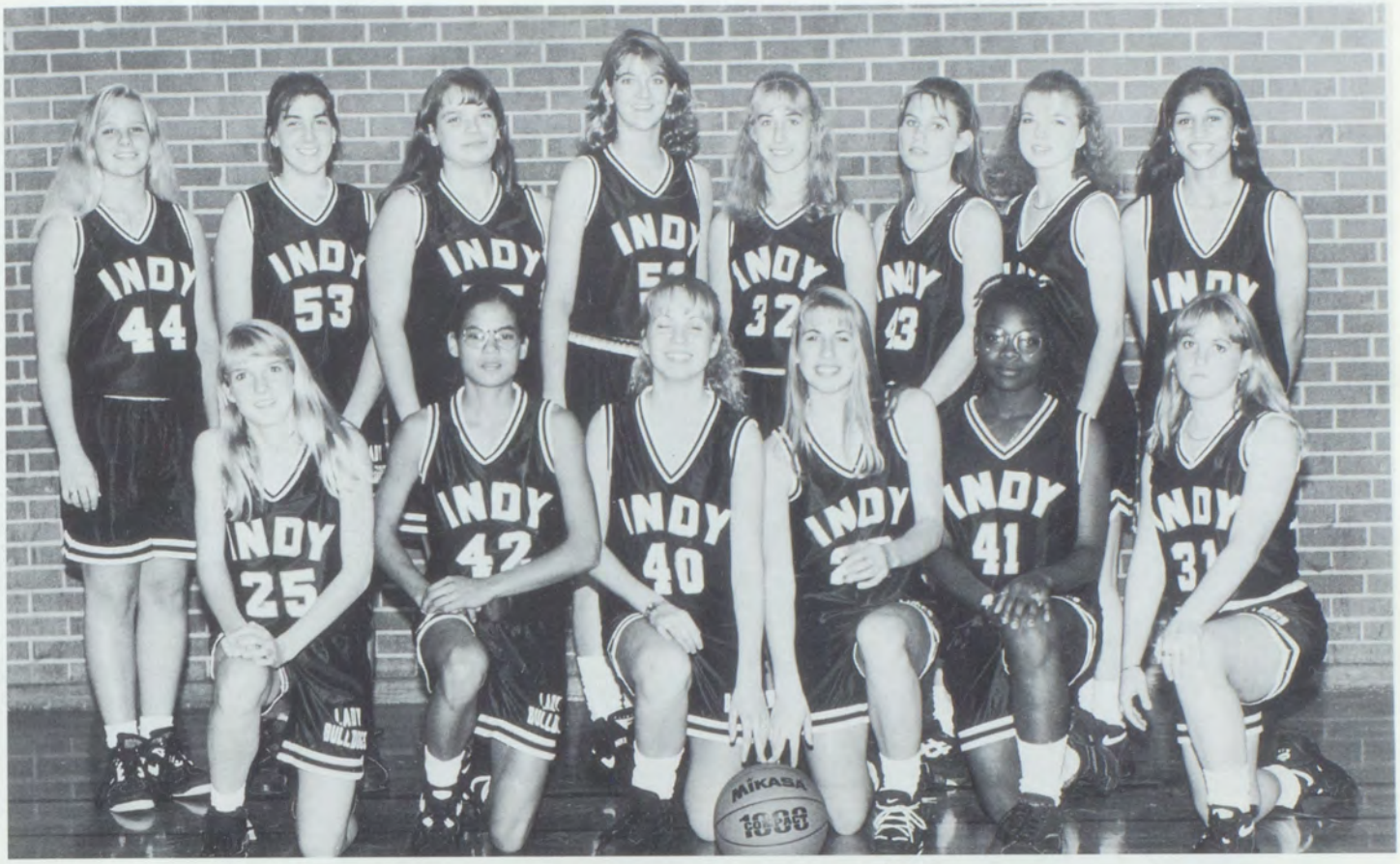
PITTSBURG	21-30	Loss
CHANUTE	43-39 (OT)	Win
PARSONS	23-31	Loss
C-VILLE	26-54	Loss
LABETTE	19-68	Loss
PARSONS	25-23	Win
FORT SCOTT	31-26	Win
C-VILLE	25-32	Loss
PITTSBURG	35-33	Win
PARSONS	30-28	Win
FORT SCOTT	30-26	Win
C-VILLE	37-35	Win
IOLA	35-17	Win
LABETTE	31-70	Loss
COLUMBUS	23-20	Win
CHANUTE	30-33	Loss
CHANUTE	26-16	Win
PARSONS	35-37	Loss

Q: " Mr. Nulls, how do you feel about having to coach a brand new group of girls each year? Do you find it challenging?"

A: "Yes, coaching a different group of girls each year is definitely challenging because you never know quite what to expect, but it is also very exciting because with each team it's a fresh, new start. I've been very fortunate because year after year the girls have really given outstanding effort and this year's group was no exception. They played hard every game - I was very proud of them."

---- Craig Null

GIRLS' JV PROVE TEAMWORK'S THE KEY!!!



How about those Lady Bulldogs!!! For Indepenence , on the back row, we have: Melissa Quigley (jr.); Stephanie Washburn (soph.); Kelly Werner (soph.); Alison Auxter (jr.); Chris Kelly (soph.); Tara Lynn (jr.); Summer Goodman (soph.); Kavita Patel (soph.). For the Independence Bulldog's Junior Varsity, on the front row, we have: Jami King (soph.); Halli Gann (soph.); Erin Dennis (soph.); Jennifer Karleskint (jr.); Jami Watson (jr.); and Jami Paugh (jr.).

THE GAME RESULTS OF INDY JUNIOR VARSITY (I.H.S. vs. OTHER)

INDY VS. PITTSBURG (24-19)

INDY VS. VALLEY CENTER (36-37)

INDY VS. LCHS (34-42)

INDY VS. PARSONS (29-33)

INDY VS. Ft. SCOTT (26-52)

INDY VS. C-VILLE (48-43)

INDY VS. PITTSBURG (44-17)

INDY VS. Ft. SCOTT (46-49)

INDY VS. C-VILLE (46-31)

INDY VS. IOLA (30-27)

INDY VS, LCHS (47-46)

INDY VS. COLUMBUS (32-22)

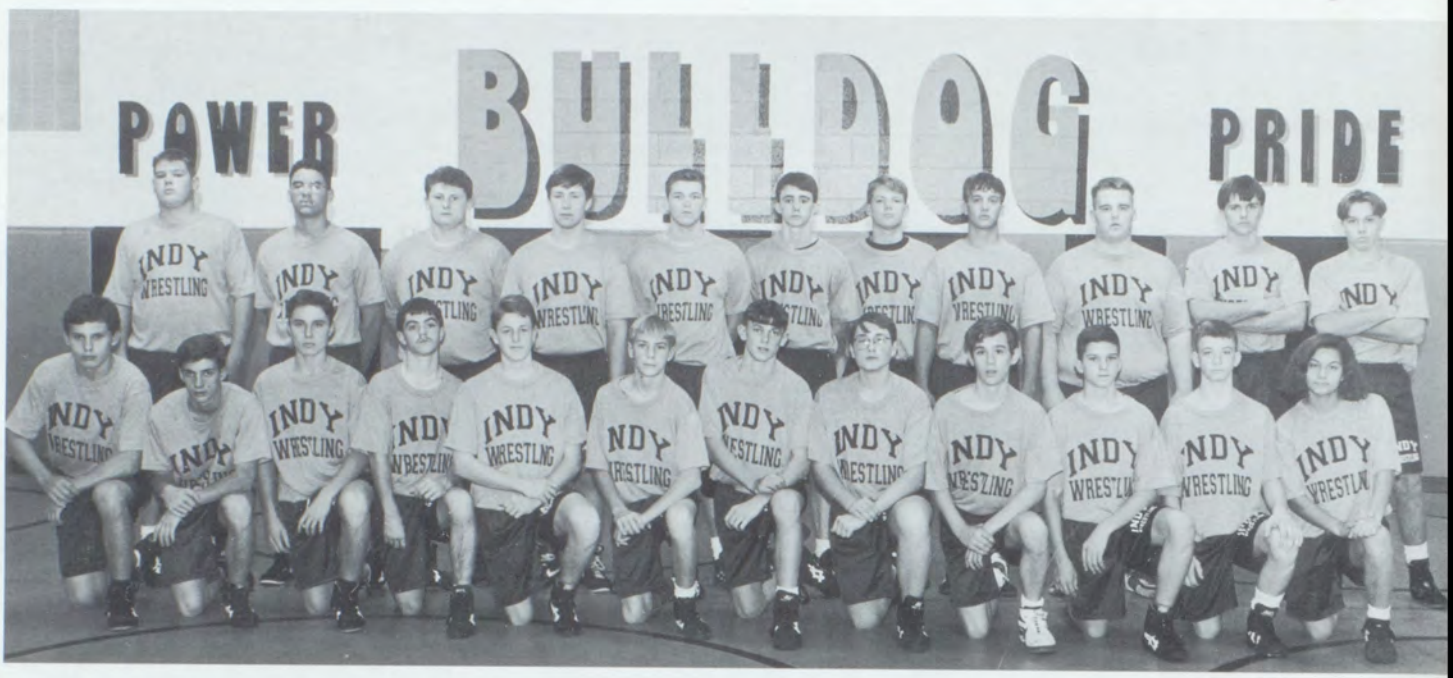
INDY VS. PARSONS (35-43)

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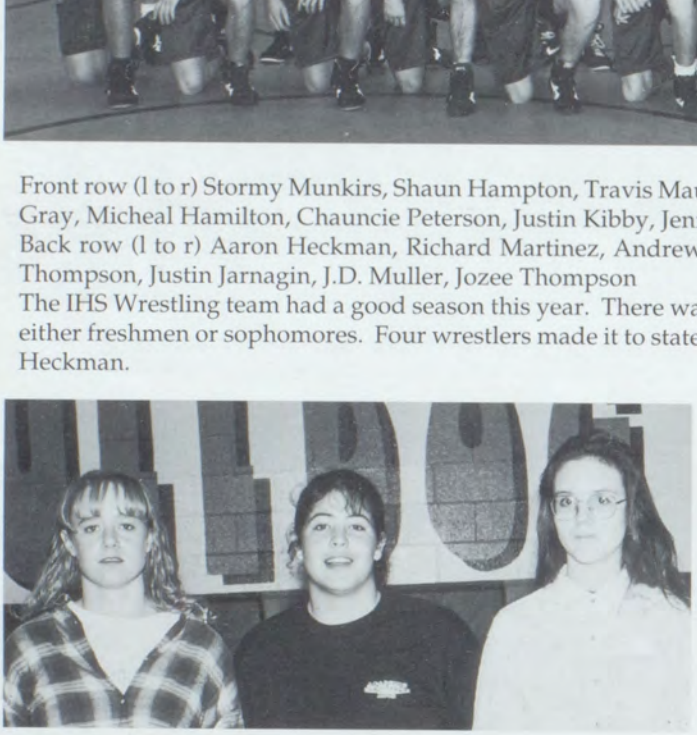
LOSES- 6

Q: "Mrs. Botts, if you had to pick a game that stuck out in your mind, what would it be?"
A: "I would have to say that it would be playing against Ft. Scott there and at home. When we played them there ,we lost by 26 points and it really got the girls down. We played them here and lost by one point at the end. They played a totally different game in which they felt that it was more what their team was about-that their team had grown and improved."

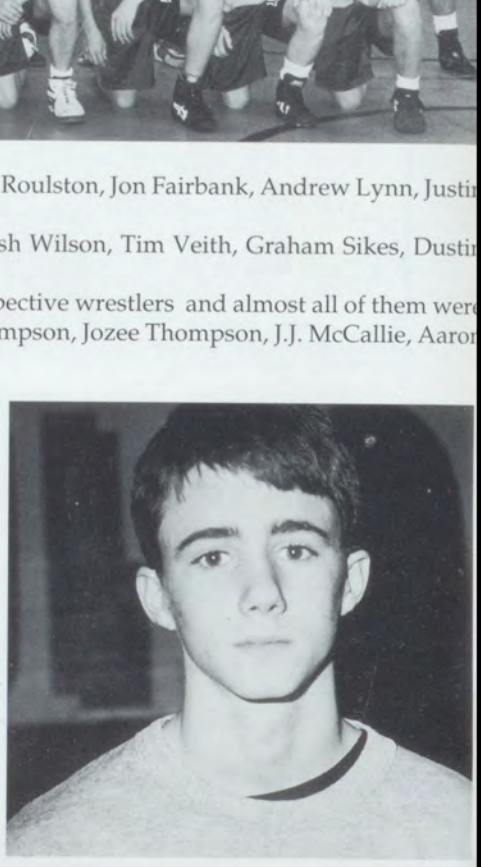
INDY WELCOMES NEW HEAD COACH

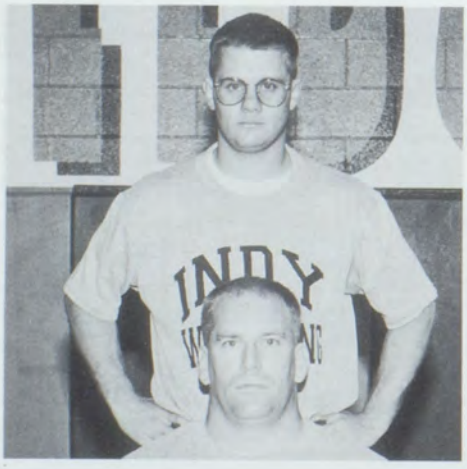


Front row (l to r) Stormy Munkirs, Shaun Hampton, Travis Maupin, J.J. McCallie, David Roulston, Jon Fairbank, Andrew Lynn, Justi Gray, Micheal Hamilton, Chauncie Peterson, Justin Kibby, Jennifer Padilla
Back row (l to r) Aaron Heckman, Richard Martinez, Andrew Wiester, Justin Bays, Josh Wilson, Tim Veith, Graham Sikes, Dusti Thompson, Justin Jarnagin, J.D. Muller, Jozee Thompson
The IHS Wrestling team had a good season this year. There was a large turnout of prospective wrestlers and almost all of them were either freshmen or sophomores. Four wrestlers made it to state. They were; Dustin Thompson, Jozee Thompson, J.J. McCallie, Aaron Heckman.



Managers (l to r) Shawna Harlin, Jennifer Clark and Shawna Wantland. They help the team by doing things such as mop the mats, get ice packs for the injured and pack bags for the road trips.

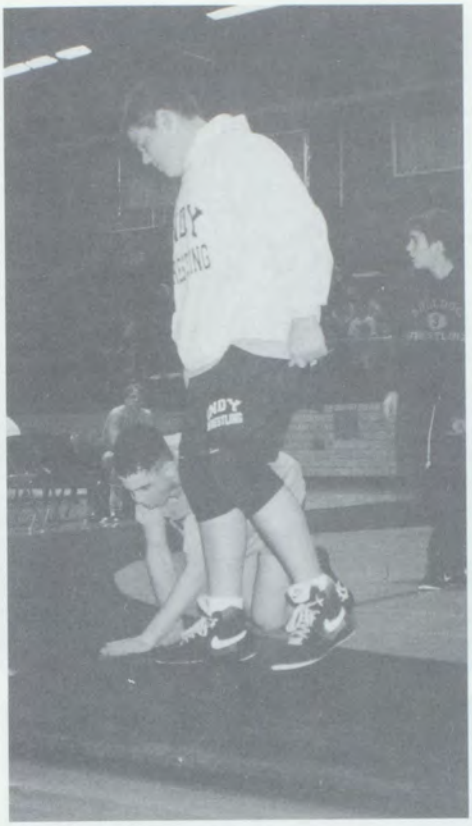




Coaches Lance Lusk (standing) and Carl Boldra. This was Coach Lusk's first year at Independence. Before coming to IHS he was an assistant coach at Buher High School in Buhler, Kansas. He learned about the opening from last years head coach Doug Thompson. He is also a computer technology teacher but he says that it was the opening for head wrestling coach that brought him to Independence. Assistant coach Boldra helped a lot during the season. He worked a lot with the heavyweights. Coach Boldra teachers elementary physical education in the school district. He also assists in football and track season. During basketball games he guards the southeast door of the gymnasium.
PHOTOS BY SHAWNA WANTLAND.

When Tim Veith, senior co-captain of the wrestling team, was asked to describe the 1994-95 team, he replied," The team was much better than what I expected. With the team being mainly freshman and sophomores, I thought the season went very well. This year's team won five more duals than last year, and we placed at a tournament, something we didn't do last year. Personally I would like to thank Coach Lusk for making my senior year memorable and successful for the team."

UNDERCLASSMEN TAKE OVER WRESTLING



Left: Aaron Heckman, freshman, walks along beside Scott Reeves as he presses newly laid tapeto the mat. The old tape came loose during a JV match at our second home meet. Aaron, who wrestled varsity at 275 lbs. had a good first year and went on to qualify for state. BELOW- Carl Boldra, assistant coach, watches a JV match with a look on his face that suggests that our guy has no chance of winning. Coach Boldra is, believe it or not, the quieter of the two coaches when at a tournament. Really.



INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

Weight		Won	Lost
100 lbs.	Jon Fairbank	12	17
106 lbs.	Justin Kibby	15	16
112 lbs.	J.J. McCallie	20	15
119 lbs.	Tim Veith	12	14
126 lbs.	Andrew Lynn	5	15
134 lbs.	Frank King	4	17
142 lbs.	Jozee Thompson	30	9
151 lbs.	Dustin Thompson	25	10
160 lbs.	Stormy Munkirs	5	20
172 lbs.	Richard Martinez	5	23
185 lbs.	Justin Bays	5	24
215 lbs.	Andy Weister	2	12
275 lbs.	Aaron Heckman	14	20

Right: Richard Martinez, sophomore, is close to being pinned by Adam Son, a sophomore wrestler from Parsons. Richard faught hard but did end up losing this match. Below: During the same match Adam has Richard doing a flip on his way to the mat. This all took place at the second home meet on February 2, 1995. Teams present were Independence, Parsons and Chanut. This was Richard's first year as a wrestler. He wrestled varsity at 172 pounds.
PHOTOS BY SHAWNA WANTLAND.







When Stormy Munkirs, sophomore wrestler was asked if he learned anything new this year that might help him next year he replied, "You don't challenge the Thompson's (Dustin and Jozee) in wrestling and you definitly don't run Oklahoma drills with Robert Clapp." When he was asked to describe Coach Lusk's coaching he said, "He makes us run a lot less than Coach Thompson, last years head coach, but he makes us do a lot more drills. Overall, I think that he is a great coach."

WINTER CHEERLEADERS FINISH SEASON



Winter Varsity Cheerleaders: Front row (L-R): Lisa Warner, Wendy Bryan, Jinny Burdett, Kari Trollope, Melissa Marris, Trenise Hayes; back row: Julie Patton, Lindy Smith, Lisa Lemon, Sheree Watson, and Heather Ballance.



Ms. Mayes and Ms. White, pictured at left, coached the cheerleading teams this season. They encouraged the girls to continue their hard work and dedication throughout the season. Below the coaches, Sheree Watson, senior, shows Jinny Burdett and Melissa Morris, both sophomores, the moves to a cheer. Below, in clockwise direction, Sheree Watson, Julie Patton, Heather Ballance, Lisa Lemon, Kari Trolloppe, Jinny Burdett, and Melissa Morris take a break at a home game in order to plan their next cheer. The cheerleaders worked very hard this season to have a successful one. Many long hours were spent practicing and perfecting all their cheers. All the practice paid off in the end helped the school express its school spirit. The cheerleaders showed off their teamwork to the student body at many pep assembilies. They kept the students spirits alive when it looked like the end, and the cheered the teams on toward many victories. We congratulate them on a job well done.

Photo by Mary Hindle.



Photo by Angel Wood.



CROWDS, TEAMS LED BY WINTER SQUAD





Photos left and above by Harley Mathews.

"I am going to miss the squad. I have enjoyed my years of cheering the Independence Bulldogs. I wish lots of luck to those coming onto the squad next year and hope they can handle all the stress!!"

Sheree Watson

The cheerleaders showed their spirit by performing different types of chants which the crowd can cheer along with. Pictured above, Jinny Burdett and Wendy Bryan have a good time while cheering. Pictured on the left, Lisa Warner, Kari Trolloppe, Julie Patton, Lindy Smith, Heather Ballance, and Lisa Lemon do the same.

Sheree Watson, IHS senior, cheerleader, helps lead the crowd during a home basketball game.

Photo by Renea Wilson.



Winter Freshmen Cheerleaders: Kneeling (l-r): Kelly O'Malley, Mary Beth Mayes, and Melody Spearman; Standing (l-r): Amanda Voth, Jessica Tyler, and Courtney Smith.



WINTER MAGIC ROYALTY



Derek Renfro and Kelly Springer were selected as the king and queen of the Independence High School Winter Sports. The other candidates for queen included Lisa Lemon, Jamie Osborn, Andrea Ysusi, and Kim Wilson. The candidates for king included Jay Alexander, Dustin Thompson, Nick Kurucz, and Dustin Meza. The athletes were nominated by the various winter teams. The school the elected the king and queen. The finalists were presented to the student body during an assembly and the winners were announced at a home basketball game. Following the game, a dance was held at the high school gymnasium to honor the king and queen of the winter sports seasons. Derek had particpated in football his senior year and Kelly played tennis and softball during her senior year at Independence High School.

"It was a thrilling experience."

Dereck Renfro
Winter King

" It's forever frozen in my heart."

Kelly Springer
Winter Queen

WINTER SPORTS PROVE TO BE FULL OF LIFE











(Top Left) Kim Wilson and Carrie Mitchell fight their way though a couple of Pittsburg players in order to earn a trip to the state basketball tournament.

(Middle left) Three Bulldogs prepare for the second half of basketball action. Jay Alexander, Dustin Meza, and Chris Gab all warm-up for the second half of play at Losey Gym.

(Bottom left) Coach Mike Nelson's wife Lisa shows obvious elation as the Bulldogs top Fort Scott for a trip to the state tournament.

(Top right) One of the highlights of the winter sports season is city recreation basketball. The competition is fierce.

(Middle right) Chris Gress goes over the top to score two.

Winter sports at IHS offers many opportunities for the students at IHS. For those participating, it is a long season. For those coaching it is a long season. For those watching a winning season is too short.

With snow, sleet, cold, and rain, the warm confines of Losey Gym is often very attractive. The fans, particularly at basketball games, fill the stands early to watch the winning programs. The wrestling programs also fills the gym with spectators.



B alloons, candy, baskets, stuffed animals. Even flowers. These are just a few of the items delivered almost daily to Independence High School from Twigs--a local florist.

Students are constantly sending to other students, to faculty, to groups, to boyfriends, to girl friends, gifts of all kinds from Twigs.

Tim Babcck and his staff of workers enjoy servicing the IHS student and try to provide that very special gift or thank you while keeping the limitations of the student budget in mind.

Recen tly, the business expanded with another shop in Neodesha. This will allow for a larger selection of items for both stores.

During the special holidays, the high school office is filled with deliveries from the various shops in town.

TWIGS

Above, Tim Babcock, Twigs owner, assists a customer in the purchase of an order. Students find Tim and his staff to be very approachable in placing order and giving advice.

The wide variety of floral selections, right, provide many opportunities to purchase items for gifts. The colorful displays gives the customers many opportunities to select whatever is appropriate for the occasion. As a special touch the owners send to each Neewollah contestant a carnation for good luck. These are sent to Memorial Hall the night of the coronation. This is greatly appreciated.



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NEWEST BULLDOGS GET FACULTY FOCUS

Freshmen became a major point of interest in the 1994-95 school year. The faculty started focusing on the freshmen for special attention in order to help with the process of transition into the high school. This concern did not arise only this year, but only this year did the faculty start working on this problem.

The Class of '98 made many more contributions to the school. The freshmen sports not only provided winning seasons but also contributed some competition for the varsity squads. The most important sports' role for the freshmen, however, is that they provide the hope for the future of the teams.



Photo by Roxie Farlow.

These two freshman, Jessica Tyler and Jennifer Clark, practice the violin during orchestra rehearsal. The reason the two girls are standing, surprisingly enough, is that they were talking when they shouldn't have been. Orchestra met first hour this year without the competition and disruption of the band students. Discipline in very important in the creation of a sound orchestra.

Caleb Adam
Matthew Aemisegger
Angela Alexander
James Allen
Raeanna Allen
Denise Anger

Crystal Bailey
Kimberly Bailey
Destiny Baker
Miranda Bateson
Stephanie Beason
Andrew Bertie

Casey Blount
Matthew Blumer
Jenny Boorigie
Tiffany Brown
Cynthia Bruce
Starlene Butler



FRESHMEN LOOK FORWARD TO GROWTH



Melissa Calderon
Jermey Carpenter
Lynn Carradine
Amanda Chapman
Jennifer Chism
Gregory Chubb

Jeanne Clark
Jennifer Clark
Shannon Clark
Criss Clay
Chris Confer
Ron Cooper, Jr.

Joey Corle
Heather Crawford
Christopher Crow
Nick Dailey
Derek Denton
Roxy DeVore

Clint Dewlen
Joshua Dick
Carrie Dickerson
Aaron Drake
Kelly Drankhan
Kisha Dunn

Mindy Dye
Connie Emerson
Lucas Emmot
Nathan Epp
Brandon Estes
Elizabeth Estes

Richard Evenson
Matthew Farris
Zachary Fienen
Stephanie Fitzjohn
Gabriel Foreman
Joshua Frame

Michael Galyen
Chenell Golden
Londa Goodwin
Brent Green
Amanda Gudde
Steven Haines

FRESHMAN CLASS COMPLETE PROJECTS

Ivy Hale (Davis)
Michael Hamilton
Meghan Hardy
Shawna Harlin
Mindy Harmon
Sarah Harper



Jason Harper (Coltharp)
Kevin Havener
Amber Hayes
Aaron Heckman
Melissa Hedrick
Timothy Henderson



Favian Hernandez
Robert Herrmann
Cantrice Hickerson
Y. Ruthe Hinman
Brandon Hiser
Justin Hoffman



Tanner Holmes
Lisa Holt
Tiffany Holt
Brittney Holum
Stacy Hoose
Tonya Howland



Brandon Hunt
Sharrie Hutchinson
Teresse Hutchinson
Carla Jacobs
Jared Jefferson
Candy Jenson



Jeremiah Johnson
Shane Johnston
Paul (P.J.) Joseph
Daniel Julian
Stephen Justice
Benjamin Kaiser



Michelle Karleskint
David Kelly
Justin Kibby
Frank King
Katie King
Lisa Kinnamon



CLASS OF 1998 FIND LOCKERS, ACTIVITIES



Stacie Kleiber
Tonja Lair
Valerie Landwehr
Lorissa Lang
Jamie Lawrence
Christopher Lemon



Michael Leon
Kelsie Linder
Andrew Lynn
Brian Manderscheid
Erica Martin
Erica Mathis



Mary Mayes
Joy McBride
James (J.J.) McCallie
Joshua McClain
Seth McClure
Nicholas McCollam



Jim McMinn
Joseph Means
Rebecca Merritt
Aaron Meyer
Elisha Miles
Stephanie Mills



Brian Mitchell
Carrie Moffatt
Valerie Morse
Shannon Moses
Autumn Moulton
Timothy Moyer



Amy Newkirk
Jedidiah Newkirk
Kelly O'Malley
Joshua Overfield
Billie Oyler
Jennifer Padilla



Chauncey Perterson
Eric Phipps
Sam Pray
Amanda Rash
Jimmy Reynolds
April Rice

FRESHMEN MAKE A LASTING IMPRESSION

Bradley Rice
Dixie Riedle
Matthew Riggle
Mike Robinson
Trisha Root
Sarah Ross

David Roulston
Leah Salem
Justin Scammey
Robert Schiler
Ben Schlorholtz
Jeri Schoeman

Pia Scott (Davis)
Angela Seger
Richard Sele
Kristopher Shank
Rebecca Sharratt
Stephanie Shedd

Amanda Sheets
Bonnie Shelton
Laurel Sherwood
Jason Simpson
Courtney Smith
Lacey Smith

Nicholas Smith
Melody Spearman
Zachary Sprague
Casey Starrett
Mark Stevens
David Stout

Corey Strunk
Melissa Tackkett
Casey Tafoya
Amy Tate
James Thompson
Matthew Tolleson

Crystal Tucker
Jason Tucker
Levi Tucker
Misha Tucker
Chris Twitchell



CLASS OF '98 GETS INVOLVED IN IHS LIFE



Jessica Tyler
Philipp Umlauf
Shawna Van Brunt
Matthew Van Dyne
Joey Van Pelt
Keri Vannoster

Jan Vicory (Wilson)
Schylur Vincent
Amanda Voth
Shonnetta Wallace
Blake Warner
Melinda Werner

Shannon White
Robert Whitson
Geremi William
Jessica Wilsey
Diane Woods
Emily Ysusi



Photo by Aminta Radar

The first pop game of the year is always a big thrill for freshmen. These two freshmen girls lean over the rail to watch the field. Tonja Lair and Jeanne Clark capture this moment in time.



Photo by Shawna Wantland.

Freshman Aaron Drake hops across the street during the festivities prior to the Homecoming parade downtown. Aaron spent several weeks on crutches.

FRESHMEN MAKE ADJUSTMENT TO IHS



Photo by: Aminta Rader

Some come to talk. Some come to walk. However, most come to sing. In the freshman choir, the students start to learn the discipline which is necessary to be successful in the Independence High School vocal music department. After this initial enrollment, most of the vocal music classes are selected by Mrs. Russell and so the students discover that department becomes more important.

"I really enjoy going to school here in Independence and the people are great here, too. I have made a lot of new friends since I moved here from Wichita. Things are a lot different. I'm really glad I got to spend most of my Freshman year in Independence."

J.D. Muller



Photo by: Angel Wood

J.D. Muller does not look too thrilled about going into one of Mr. Ferguson's classes. Wonder if the topic is the Great Depression?

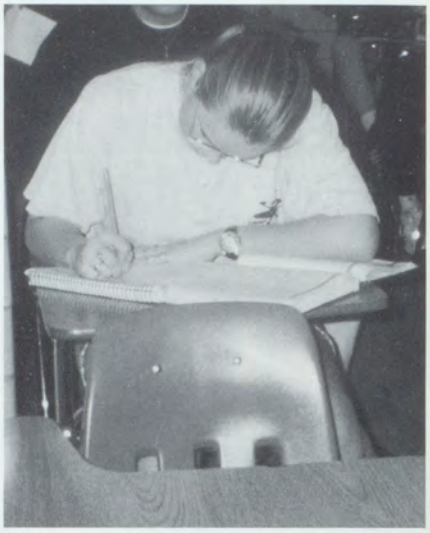


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Billie Oyler, freshman above, sits in foreign language class, waiting for further instruction from Mrs. McCray. This foreign language class is the student's first experience in the field.



Sarah Harper, above, listens intently in Mr. Nelson's freshman citizenship class. All freshmen are required to take the class.



Carrie Moffatt, above, concentrates during class on an important test in Citizenship class.



Beckie Sharratt, above, works in the kitchen at one of the meal preparations for one of the organizations at Independence High School. Some clubs serve meals as a money making project and some serve their own banquets and dinners.

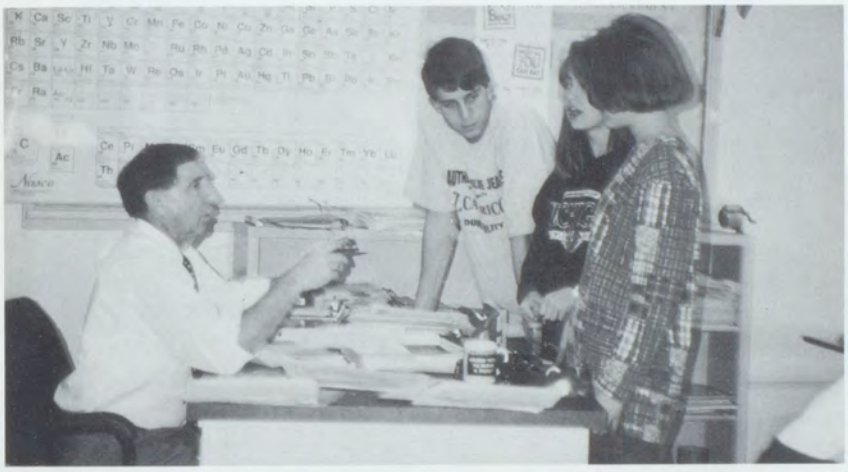
CLASS OF 1998 CONTRIBUTES TO SCHOOL



Phillip Umlauf gives a grimacing look as Josh Dick gives him a helping hand with his homework during the lunch hour. Now no one can say freshmen never do their work.



Jessica Wilsey stops for a brief moment to discuss a topic with a friend during the lunch hour. Most Freshmen spent their lunches at school.



In a freshman science class , Ron Schwatken, explains to Casey Blount, Carrie Dickerson, and Allison Laird, sophomore, the purpose for the next to assignment. This freshman class was Mr. Schwatken's last since he retired.



All photos by Angel Wood

Connie Emerson, Bonnie Shelton,Amanda Gudde look surprised as the camers catches them in the hall.



(Left) After a long hard day at musical practice, Chris Crow decides to refresh himelf with a nice cool can of Pepsi.
(Right) Emily Ysusi looks wide awake as she travels quickly to next hour class. Getting to class on time is a major problem for freshmen.



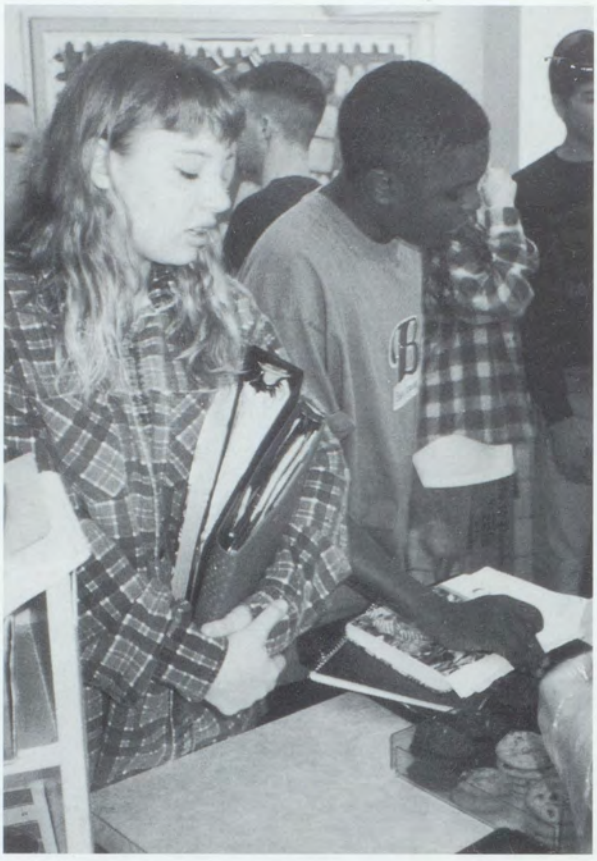
"My Freshman year was pretty cool. I had a lot of fun and I made a lot of new friends. The best part was acctually being apart of the whole high school experience."

Amy Tate
Freshman

FRESHMEN MAKE NEW BEGINNINGS AT IHS



Freshman choir prepares to sing, above, for choir teacher Mrs. Jodie Russell. The freshmen choir is a different sort of challenge than that of the middle school music program and the students are able to perform in serveral different occasions.



Chris Clay and Stephanie Beason spend a few minutes during break to try and decide what type of cookie to eat. With the many possibilities, choices a very hard. The two will make the decision and head off to class soon.



(Left) Lucas Thompson inspects his art project for Mrs. Worthington's class. He has to make sure the the project is perfect before it is turned in.

(Right) Stephanie Fitzjohn, Chris Crow, Amanda Gudde, and Jennifer Padilla receive guidance from senior Amy Spencer. They are doing some decorating for a school project.



MANY ACTIVITIES FOR FRESHMEN GO ON



The first year of high school is sometimes considered the hardest of the high school career. The class of 1998 proved that they could make it through a difficult situation. They went through their first year of high school with flying colors.

There were many challenges for the freshmen. Their first day of school, their first high school dance, the parties, and the friends. These young people still have a long way to go, but they are on the right track.

With all the challenges that they went through, they still have many more to overcome. They get to look forward to the prom and after prom, participating in varsity athletics, and in the end, graduation.

(Above) Chris Confer receives math help from Mrs. Jean Lundt. Chris looks as if he has been stumped by a difficult problem. Mrs. Lundt will give him all the help that he needs in order for him to pass the class.



(Above) Chenell Golden and Shawna Van Brunt work hard on a paper for one of their freshmen classes. Lucas Emmit, on the other hand, takes time out to stretch and move around. He has already handed in his paper, so he has time for other things until the end of the hour.





Chris Twitchell and Matt Blumer get a little help from Mr. Ron Schwatken. Freshmen science was taught by Mr. Schwatken for the last time this year.

(Left) Amber Hayes works on one of her sewing projects. Notice how she sits at the sewing machine and does her work. Many freshmen took a sewing class this year.



Photo by Erin Chapman

During the Queen Neelah competition, Hasselmanns delivers a plethoraa of flowers to the high school wishing the contestants well. Left, Emily Carnes stops to smell the good luck rose she has just received.

Below, the back parking lot of the floral shop is the one that is the most frequently viewed by the IHS student. The parking lot allows the student or stop by and order flowers after school without everybody knowing about it. Also, the windows and door decorations display many of the finer items for sale at the shop.



Photo by Erin Chapman

HASSELMANNS

Hasselmanns the Flower Shop is one of the oldest and most respected businesses in Independence.

Currently located on Penn Avenue, the business was originally located on Tenth Street. The Independence High School Student is familiar with reading the now famous Hasselmann's sign while out crusiing.

The florist introduced a new concept in 1994. This concept was that of never being closed to take orders. A phone service is available to take late-night orders or forgotten orders for delivery or for pick-up on the next business day. IHS students use Hasselmanns often. Neewollah, prom, and Valentine's Day are only a few of the occasions.



Photo by Erin Chapman

Flowers are displayed inside the Hasselmanns shop. These are just a few of the availavble arrangements.

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BASEBALL TEAM COMES CLOSE TO STATE



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INDEPENDENCE VARSITY BASEBALL

Bottom row, left to right : Tim Kleiber, Jay Alexander, Brandon Root, Pat Hadley, William Clay, and Dustin Meza.

Top rrow, left to right : Jeff Stewart (pitching coach),Tim Carroll, Dustin Thompson, Jon Harley, Gram Sikes, Steven Haines, Coach Don Simmons. Not pictured: Ryan Lundt. and coach Drake Day. The picture was taken at Emerson field prior to a home game.



Photo by Julia Clarke

Junior Dustin Thompson grits his teeth prior to a belly-slide into third base. Dustin was able to beat the throw into third base at the home game at Emerson Field. This particular game was against the Winfield Vikings. In a rather strange weather situation, the baseball team had relatively few games rained out--in spite of an exceptionally wet spring. If this slide would have taken place later, Dustin would have been in danger of drowning.

Coach Don Simmons has one of the best coaching records in the state.

In a few years he turned around the IHS football program from having three consecutive winless seasons to winning the SEK league.

In baseball, Coach Simmons has taken a baseball team with a brief history of being mediocre and has put together a squad that challenges each year for the league title.

However, the coach credits the success at IHS to his players and the assistant coaches he has helping in each sport.



Photo by David Torbett

William Clay, above, arrives at home play in a cloud of dust against the Fort Scott Tigers. The Fort Scott catcher probably ended up eating some dust that William created. Ryan Lundt is in the background.

ALEXANDER, LUNDT LEAD BASEBALLERS



Photo by David Torbett

Brandon Root, left, appears to be tipping his hat to the crowd after driving in an important run with a sacrifice fly. Another possible scenario is that Brandon's hat blew off with his demonstration of acceleration down the first base line. A final reason could be that the senior outfielder wanted to rush to the dugout following grounding out to the infield.

VARSITY PLAYERS:
Tim Kleiber
Jay Alexander
Brandon Root
Pat Hadley
William Clay
Dustin Meza
Ryan Lundt
Tim Carroll
Dustin Thompson
Jon Harley
Graham Sikes
Steven Haines

COACHES:
Don Simmons
Drake Day
Jeff Stewart

After a third place state finish last year, the 1995 Bulldog Baseball team had high hopes going into the year but really never got on track. Errors on defense plagued the team the entire year as it struggled to maintain a winning record.

Jay Alexander had an outstanding year pitching and Ryan Lundt stung the ball hard on offense but the team overall just suffered from too many errors in the field to make it over the top in either the SEK or the regionals. However, the team did have a successful, winning season.

The junior varsity was coached by Drake Day and played a limited schedule. Steven Haines provided outstanding pitching and was moved into a varsity pitching slot during the course of the year.

Also helping Coach Simmons with the Bulldog team was Jeff Stewart, city recreation department employee. Coach Stewart worked with the pitchers.

Ryan Lundt, left carefully looks over a pitch during a game against Ft. Scott at Emerson Field. Lundt was the leading hitter for the Bulldogs this year and played an outstanding defensive job in leftfield for Coach Simmons. In many activities, Ryan uses his right hand but has success in batting left-handed.



Photo by David Torbett

GIRLS SOFTBALL HAS GOOD SEASON



Photo by David Torbett

Varsity Softball Team

The girls softball team played its home games at Volunteer field on south Tenth street.

Front row, left to right: Kimberly Johnston, Jennifer Bennett, Adrienne Crain, Roxy DeVore, and Missy Colderon,

Back row, left to right: Coach Craig Null, Michelle Karleskint, Kelly Bloomfield, Carrie Mitchell,Kelly Springer, Keri Curtis, and Angie Muninger.

Not Pictured: Mandy Rash.

SCORE BOARD

Neodsha	31-1	15-0
Columbus	0-1	5-10
Pittsburg	11-6	18-17
Winfield	8-2	9-8
Chanute	5-1	1-7
Fort Scott	8-5	5-4
Labette County	7-10	6-5
C-Ville	8-1	11-1
Parsons	10-0	18-1
Regionals - C-Ville	2-12	



Photo by David Torbett

Above, Keri Curtis throws a bal l in to the infield while Beth Bryant watches. Keri was one of the leading hitters on the lady Bulldog softball team this year. Beth worked her way into varsity playing time this season. Both of these girls are products of the Independence City Recreation softball system. They played from t-ball through the girls' senior division. At that time they were ready to enter the world of high school varsity softball program under the coaching of Craig Null.



Photo by David Torbett

Angie Muninger, above, holds back on swinging at a pitch against the Ft. Scott Lady Tiger team. Angie played first base for Coach Craig Null's lady softball team this year. One of the toughest parts of playing is the not swinging at bad pitches.

SOFTBALLERS POST WINNING RECORD



Photo by David Torbett

J. V Softball Team

Front row, left to right: Beth Bryant, Harmony Kimzey, Amy Tackett, and Christy Ross.

Back row, left to right: Coach Dale Renoylds,Tiffany Zemlock, Summer Goodman, Mandy Rash, Brittany Holum, Renae Wilson, and Halli Gann.

The Independence HighSchool girls softball had a successful year in 1995 with a 13-6 record. After advancing to the state tournament the previous year, the team was disappointed that it did not have a chance to go again. However, after reflecting of the success of the season, the team members will feel pride and satisfaction on completing a successful winning season.

Four seniors completed their eligibility for the Bulldogs this year. The seniors who will be missed include: Keri Curtis, Kelly Springer, Angie Muninger, and Adrienne Crain. These four ladies made contributions to the program for a number of years.

The junior varsity was coached by new teacher Dale Reynolds, a middle school science instructor. The junior varsity plays a limited schedule due to playing conditions, availability of fields, and difficulties in making up rain-out games.

Coach Null will be head basketball coach this year.

SCORE BOARD		
Labette	11-4	9-5
Chanute	5-0	5-3
Fort Scott	16-17	7-2
Pittsburg	16-1	6-11
C-Ville	15-2	0-7
Parsons	18-7	



Freshman Mandy Rash missed but gets a good swing at a pitch in a game at Volunteer Field against the Fort Scot Tigers. Mandy played varsity solftball primarily due to her pitching ability. She has played softball for many years in the city recreation program. She hopes to continue to play next year.

Photo by David Torbett

IHS TRACK TEAMS HAVE HARD WORKERS

The Independence track team went through a re-building year in 1995. Suffering from increased competition from other spring sports and general weight conditioning. Mr. Jim Hendren was serving his first year as coach of the team after assisting in football last fall.

Two of the outstanding performers on the track team were Jaimi Osborn and Ryan Garey. Both of these competitors were seniors. Jaimi was a consistent winner in the javelin and hurdles while Ryan proved to be an outstanding middle distrance runner for the Bulldogs.

Another highlight of the year was Independence hosting the Regional track meet for the Kansas State High School Activities Association. This track meet was held at Shulthis Stadium on the IHS all-weather track. With an exceptionally rainy May in Independence, it was certainly a good thing that the track was designed as an all-weather one or else the meet might not have been held.

Both the boys and the girls teams ended in the lower divisions in the race for the SEK league championships.

Tim Henderson, is just about to start his sprint at the Independence track meet.
Tim, a freshman, gained valuable experience this year running in the varsity track meets.





Mr. Hendren, is the head-track coach of the track team. Right now he stands at the outline to watch how his team is coming along against the many other teams from different cities.



Lynn Carradine, Freshman, and Christy Trieble, Sophomore, have a short chat with members from other teams during the track meet in Independence.

THINCLADS SPEND HOURS WORKING



Kendra Williams, Senior, is about to start her sprint. She particpated in all of her four years in IHS on the track team. Kendra hopes to attend college through the winning of a scholarhship in track.

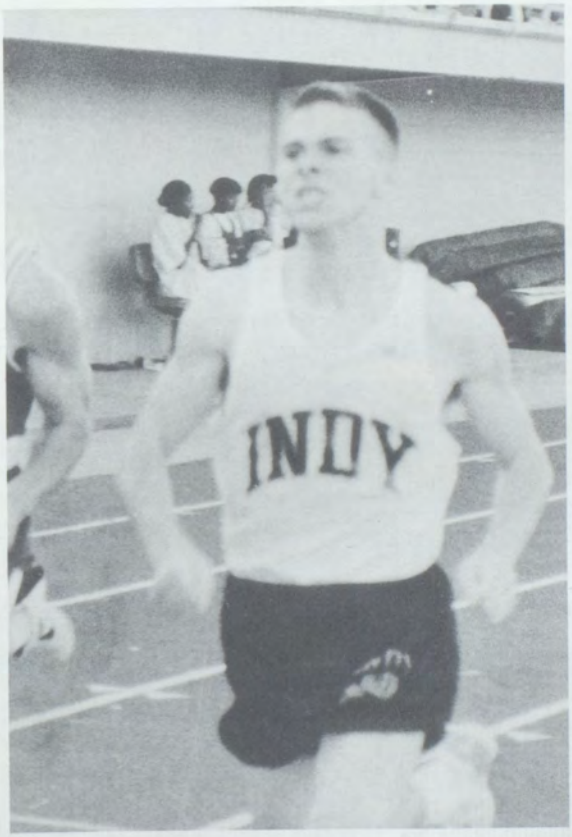


Junior, Toby Getler, was also an active member of the track team. Right now he is in the process of measuring the distance in the long jump. Toby also helped in the triple jump at the Independence track meet.

Ryan Garey, Senior, is just about to finish his 800 meter race, at the Independence track meet . He participated in track all his four years in Independence High School.

He is not only running sprints, but he also runs the 1600meter race and the 3200meter races.

He represented Independence High School in the state track meet.





Mr. Lee is the Independence High School Athletic Director. He is shown above holding the flags which are used on the relays to determine the runners are in the correct lanes before the race starts.

BOYS' TENNIS TEAM ADVANCES TO STATE

The 1995 Boys Tennis team enjoyed another successful year by winning the SEK title, and advancing several players to the state tournament.

The team was led on the court by Jeff Rasnick and Cory Morris and Chris Gress. With these two juniors returning, along with Mark Messinger and Mark Denney, the prospects are bright for the next tennis season.

This was the sixth straight year that the IHS Tennis Team played at the 5A state tennis tournament.

Players , who played in singles were Jeff Rasnick and the only Senior Mickey King. Doubles were played by Cory Morris and Chris Gress, Mark Messenger and Mark Denney.

In the first round Jeff Rasnick won against Arkansas City , then he lost against Winfield and he lost the third place on Arkansas City, but this still left him the fourth place in singles.

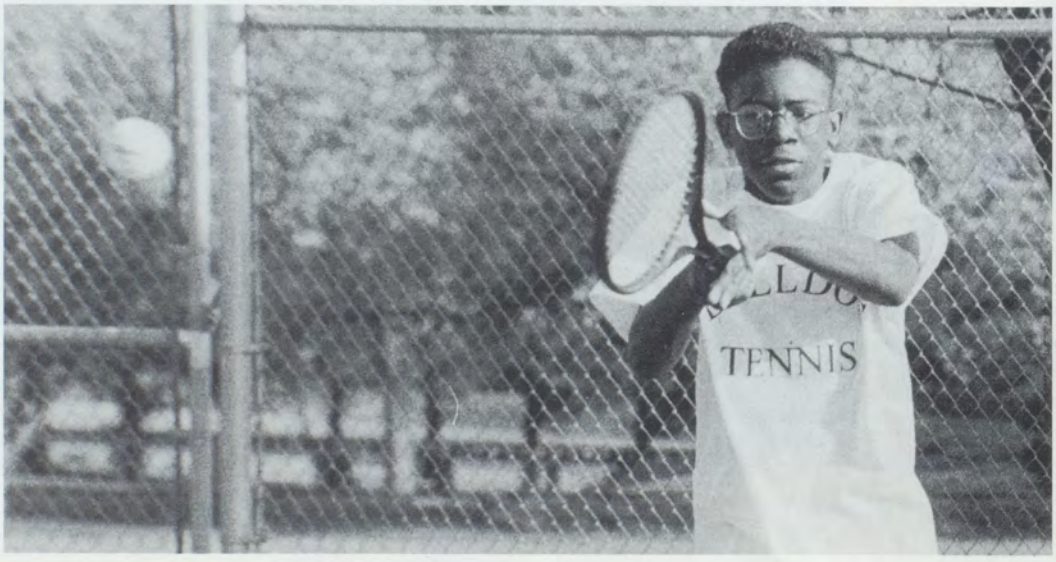
Mickey King scored in his first round against Coffeyville and then lost against Winfield.

In the doubles, Cory and Chris scored against Fort Scott and were then defeated by Winfield and Arkansas City. But they won the third place in doubles.

Mark and Mark were not so successful that day and lost the first round to Winfield.



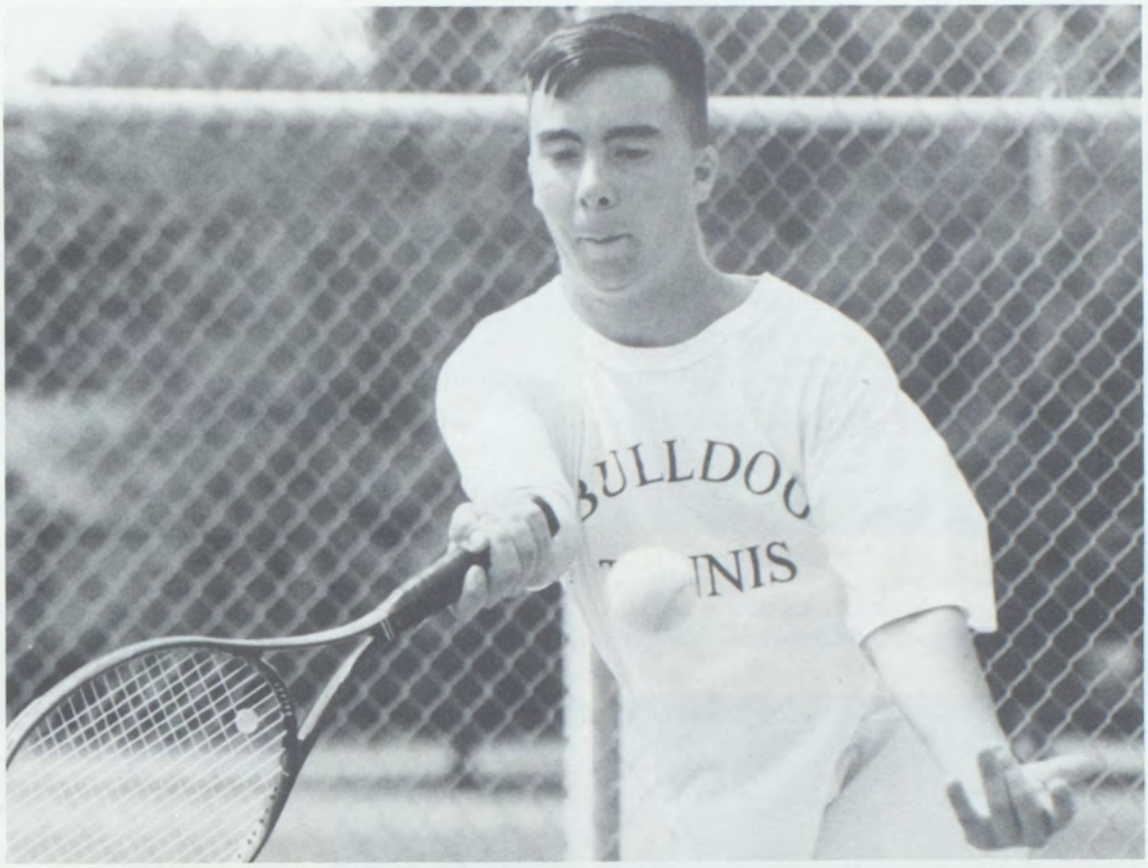
Sitting in back row are: Mickey King, Corey Moris , Jeff Rasnick, Chris Gress, Mark Denney, Mark Messinger, Brian Bosse
In front row are: Ben Schlorholtz, Quinton Hoffman, Thomas Franklin and Coach Ken Brown.

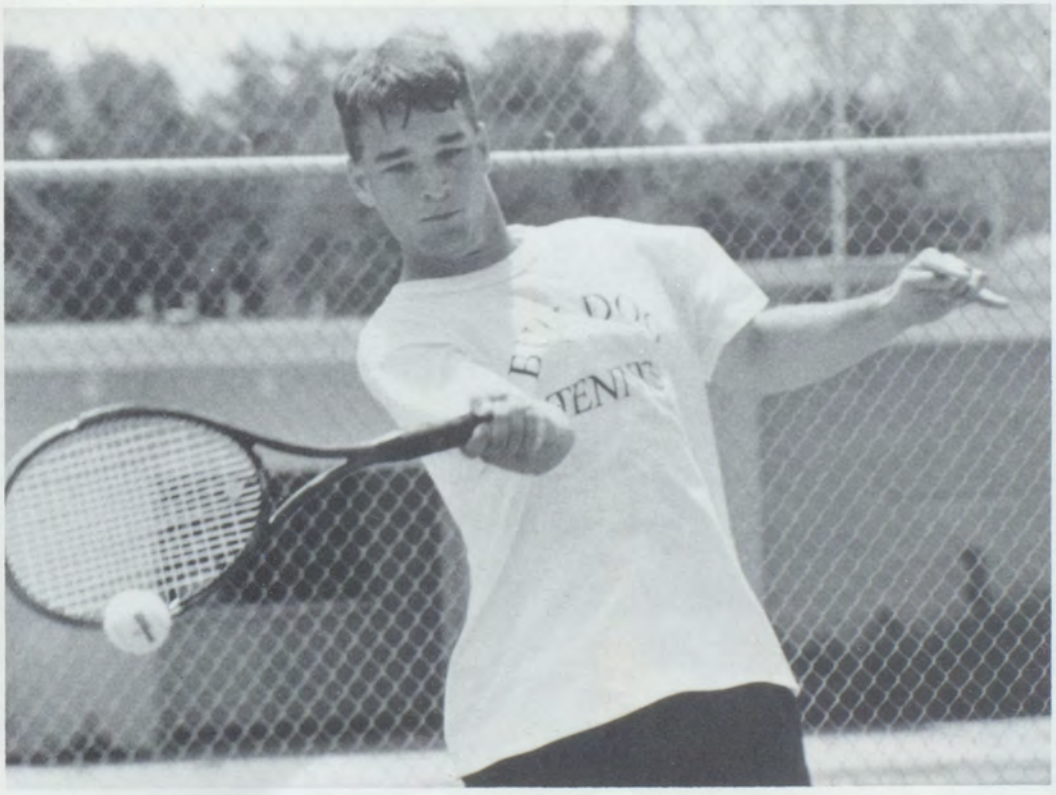


Junior Thomas Franklin maintains his concentration in a match against Arkansas City, played at Riverside Park courts. Thomas is watching the ball all the way to the racquet and then as it leaves the racquet. The tennis team enjoyed yet another banner season under the direction of coach Ken Brown. Brown also directs the summer instructional program for the city recreation department and coordinates the Citizens Bank Tournament.

SIXTH STRAIGHT STATE TOURNAMENT TRIP

Corey Morris, right, junior, meets a powerful shot from his opponent with an equally powerful forehand. Corey is biting his lower lip in order to keep his concentration. He probably would be at a loss to explain what his left hand is doing at this moment. Corey, along with Chris Gress and Jeff Rasnick, provides a strong core of players returning for their senior year.





The leading singles player on the 1995 Bulldog Tennis Team, Jeff Rasnick left, is being counted on for even more improvement for his senior year. This year Jeff placed fourth in the state 5A tennis competition. Jeff also participated in basketball in his junior year and during the summer plays tennis and also plays baseball on the various teams in Independence. He played football during his first two years at Independence High School. His football career was cut short by knee injuries but Jeff has overcome the injury to become one of the top players in the Southeast Kansas League in tennis, baseball, and basketball. Jeff helped with the city recreation tennis program this summer.

GOLFERS PUTTER THEIR WAY AROUND IHS



Nick Schroeder prepares to make a putt on one of the greens. Notice Nick's stance and the way he holds the golf club. He has tremendours concentration.

"This season was better than last year because we didn't have to practice in the snow."

Andy Stewart
Junior



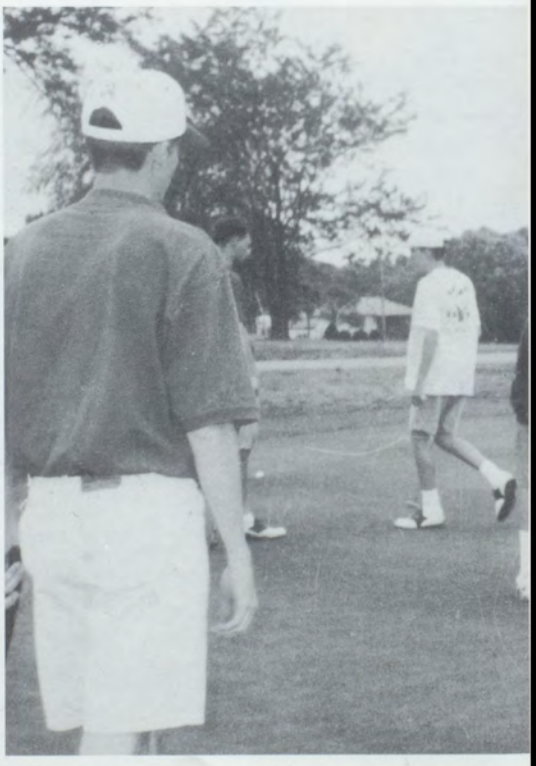
(Above) Jeff Schuster and Jason Kelly watch Nick Schoeder prepare to make his putt. (Below) Senior, Jason Kelly, strolls towards freshman, Chris Crow, as he gives total concentration to the ball so he can try and simk his putt.





(Above) Jeff Schuster, junior, watches his ball roll towards the cup afer making a putt.

(Below) Andy Stewart, junior, walks across the greens to try and find his ball.



IHS GOLF TAKES SEVENTH AT STATE!!!



Chris Crow, freshman, prepares to make a putt on one of the greens. Behind him junior, Matt Hoover, walks off the green in order to give Chris plenty of room.

The boys golf team finished a successful season with a seventh place finish at the state tournament.

Coach Mark Coder built the team around junior Andy Stewart, one of the top players in the league. Andy had large shoes to fill with Chris Thompson graduated. Thompson continues his golfing and academic career at the University of Kansas.

The team promises a strong finish next year since Jason Kelly was the only graduate. Kelly was forced to make a tough decision. The state tournament was the day following graduation and the team left early in order to shoot a practice round. Kelly elected to miss his graduation for a once in a lifetime opportunity to compete in the state tournament.

Some of the other top contributers to the golf program were Nick Schroeder, Jeff Schuester, Matt Hoover, Chris Crow.

Coach Coder was assisted on a part-time basis by IHS basketball coach Mike Nelson.

BOYS VARSITY GOLF

Nick Schroeder	Chris Crow
Andy Stewart	Matt Hoover
Jason Kelly	Jeff Schuster

Coach Mark Coder





(Left) Nick Schroeder, junior, walks off the putting green possibly to get a different putter or get another ball. This year the golf team had rainy weather to go against, but they also had great sunny weather. The golf team was lead by coach Mark Coder, a teacher here at the high school. This year the golf team did extremely well and went to state.

(Left) Andy Stewart, junior, prepares to hit the ball onto the putting green. Andy has great form and holds the club properly. He is giving all his attention and concentration to the ball, he wants to make sure he hits the golf ball with the right amount of strength.

SPRING SPORTS HAVE WINNING SEASON

Spring sports is one of the most difficult seasons to be covered. The season is basically over after the school year is over. However, the state participants continue to participate in the various sports. This year Ryan Garey, Jamie Osborn and Shawn Torrence all placed at the state track meet. In golf the team made the state tournament. In tennis the squad placed seventh with Jeff Rasnik taking fourth. The spring sports have to fight the weather. Although this spring was warmer than last year, the rain is always a problem. For example at the state track meet, it rained the entire first day.



(Above) Kendra Williams, senior, runs ahead of one of her tea mates in a home track meet. Kendra's teammate is carrying the stick and getting ready to pass it to another teammate up ahead. It takes a lot of energy to be on the track team.



(Right) Jay Alexander, junior, prepares to make a fast pitch to the opposing team. Jay has a major look of determination on his face. Meanwhile, in the back, Jon Harley, junior, gets ready at first base for a possible play to come his way. Jon always had to be prepared for whatever might go his way on the field.

(Left) Tim Henderson, freshman, struts his stuff on the track. Tim participated in many meets this spring and did very well. Notice Tim's arms and the look of concentration on his face. He really wants to win this meet.

(Below) Coach Doug Lee, Mike Nelson, and Mark Hayward watch a baseball game from the steps. They had the best view of the baseball field from their birdseye position. These three gentlemen probably enjoyed watching the games better from their special positions, than the fans did in the grand stands.





DUSTIN, JAMIE NAMED SPRING ROYALTY



Jamie Osborn and Dustin Meza, left, share the glory of being named Spring Sports Queen and King at Independence High School. Miss Osborn was in track and Dustin was in baseball.



Jay Jones, above, puts Ryan Lundt and Angie Muninger on spot with a difficult question concerning the escorts.



Chris Linder serves as Mistress of Ceremonies during thequiz show "Do you know your escort" during the coronation ceremonies of Spring Sports. Pictured above are William Clay, Terra Davison, Ryan Garey, Jamie Osborn, Brandon Root, and Kendra Williams. The candidates answered the questions posed to them by Chris concerning their escorts.



Dustin Meza takes a minute for some deep meditation concerning a question about Sheree Watson during spring sports coronation assembly. Dustin eventually answered the question wrong--even after all the thought about the question.



Matching shirts worn by the masters of ceremonies, Jay Jones and Chris Linder, during the coronation assembly for the spring sports royalty. They watch for answers.



Musical Overtures recently moved to a smaller building in order to better serve the customers. Practically every music student at Independence High School purchases equipment, supplies, music or other material at Musical Overtures during the year.

Val DeFever, owner of the business, is a former teacher and was recently elected to the school board. She has had two children graduate from Independence High School and another child currently in the school system.

Both Mrs. DeFever and her husband are graduates of the school and have been active in a large variety of school and community activities.

Musical Overtures serves both the serious muscian and the casual music lover.

MUSICAL OVERTURES

Musical Overtures offers the music student a variety of opportunities. One of the chances for the students is the opportunity to take private lessons from a variety of professional, teaching musicians. Everything from violin to percussion is available for the student. Also, Mrs. DeFever keeps a list of individuals who teaching piano and are willing to enroll new students. Sound systems are also available for rental at this very busy and useful store. Not many towns have this opportunity.

Jama DeFever, daughter of the owner and 1995 graduate of Independence High School spends some extra time working at the store.

Another service Musical Overtures offers is the rental of musical instruments. This allows for the student to improve the quality of play without having to pay a lot of money.





One of the busiest areas of Independence is that of Penn Street and Main Street. This particular intersection probably has the highest traffic rate of any in the town. Most students will see it several times daily as they cruise the city. One of the fixtures for many years in this areas has been Musical Overtures. This past year the business moved from the corner to one building north on Penn Avenue. However, it is still extremely visible to driver or pedestrian travelling the downtown area of Independence. When school is not in session it is difficult to go into the store and not see another Independence High School student either browsing or purchasing something for school or the own personal interest in music.

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'ONCE UPON A MATTRESS' FALL MUSICAL

"Once Upon a Mattress" was the school musical presented by the IHS music department.

The basic plot of the story concerns a princess who could not sleep unless it was on a large number of mattresses. The musical evolved from the long-told fairy tale concerning the princess and the pea.

The production presented two big changes in the musical presentation at IHS. One of the changes had to do with timing. The traditional time for the musical has been the spring. However, this year, Mrs. Russell elected to present the show in the fall. Another change concerns the selection of this musical. It had never been presented before at IHS and was a welcome change.



Senior Tim Bannwarth , portraying Prince Dauntless, is leading the chorus in the finale as Jama DeFever sleeps on the large number of mattresses which provided the focal point of the set of the school musical.. This is the most dramatic part of the musical, and it is probably the most rehearsed.



Pictured above: Tim Bannwarth and Shana Mitchell share some mother-son advice. Shana is portraying Tim's mother and telling him some of the problems of marrying a girl who is not a princess.

Pictured right: Shana Mitchell is preparing to give Jama DeFever the all-important test with the pea. The test is designed to test whether the princess can sleep with the pea inserted between the mattresses.



All photos by Angela Hickel

Having a member of trio who can't sing is a really difficult situation. In the picture above, Adam Sikes, far left, and Brandon Colyott, far right, sing about this problem. Jay Jones, center, is pantomining their attempts to explain the problem.



DRAMA DEPT. CHANGES PLAY FORMAT



Tonya Rice, above, looks expectantly for the next action in her part of the spring dramatic presentation.



Dana Jensen appears on the IHS stage with only one shoe during her part of the play.



Sarah Stockton appears to be attempting to escape from Diane Blandamer.



Sasha Bowen, Sarah Stockton, and Diane Blandamer are participating in one of the plays on the high school stage. It would appear natural that two of the girls are talking about why Diane Blandamer is dressed in a rabbit costume on the stage. The other stage properties include the traditional white chairs used in queen coronations.

The high school drama department produced a different type of dramatic presentation this year. Without a stage to rehearse on or time to use the stage, the play production classes put together a series of one-acts and cuttings and performed them before the fellow students, a few parents and the ever-president camera of the media class.

With the stage in disrepair, without adequate lighting or curtain, the presentation of the traditional three-act play with a large cast is practically a thing of the past. However, the students continue to attempt to present some sort of production. The vocal music department and the drama department both hope a priority will be made in the near future of making the stage an integral part of education again.

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IHS BAND MARCHES, GIVES CONCERTS



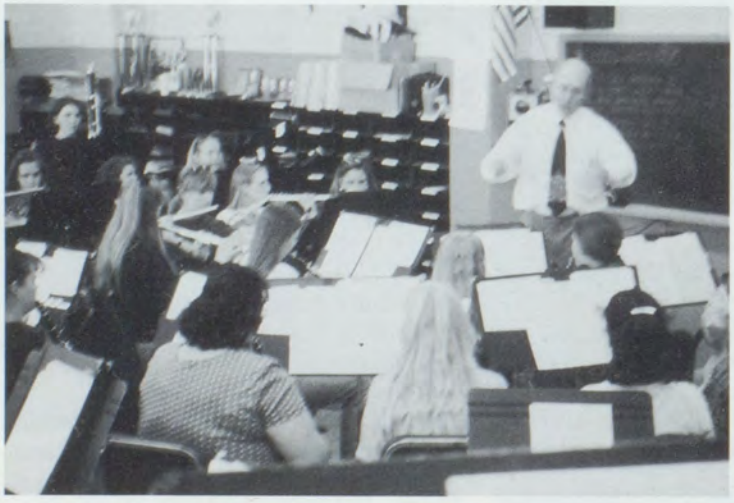
The Independence High School band is actually two bands in one. One band is in the fall semester and it performs marching functions while the other band is a concert band and it appears in various forums in the concert mode.

This group also features a variety of other people in the band in auxiliary positions. These include the twirlers, the flags, the majorettes. Don Farthing is the band director.

The marching band spends the fall working on a program which is presented at several arenas of competition. Each home football game sees another aspect added to the routine until it is ready for the full show and public competition. The band competes in the annual Neewollah marching festival as well as at colleges.



The band prepares to take the field, left, prior to the opening of a home football game. During the warm early season, the band does not wear the uniforms.



Mr. Farthing, above, gets into the music as the band practices during seventh hour. The band director has on one of his famous neckties.



The Bulldog pep band warms up before playing at the State Basketball game. The pep band plays during the football season for the football games and during the second half of the girls and the first half of the boys basketball games at Losey Gymnasium.

ORCHESTRA PROVIDES LIFE-LONG MUSIC

The Independence High School orchestra plays a pivotal role at Independence High School. Orchestra is an experience that many of the musicians will continue following the high school career.

This year the orchestra was conducted by Lewis Hoyt. Mr. Hoyt decided at the end of the year that he would move to a school with more opportunities. However, while at Independence High School he accomplished many things including turning the emphasis from the "Strolling Strings" to the larger orchestra. The class is offered first hour for all four classes.



Photo by Roxanne Farlow



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Photo by Roxanne Farlow

(Top Right) Amanda Bradley and Jennifer Austin play while studying on a piece of music. The orchestra was working on that famous classical work "Orphus of the Underworld."

(Top Left) Tim Henderson, freshman bass player, is one of only two bass players in the the orchestra this year. The other bass player is Doug Songer, sophomore. Obviously, the orchestra has a strong base to build the bass section. Tim simply loves to play his bass.

(Picture Above) Mr. Shannon Mathis is directing the orchestra while Mr. Hoyt is away. This year was Mr. Hoyt's first year directing the IHS orchestra. Mr. Mathis has taught the second semester band class this year as a result of his Pitsburg Musical Department training.

(Left Picture) Brad Fienen, senior, plays the violin without stand music. Since he is a senior, Brad has the confidence to play without music.

The members of the Orchestra are Jennifer Austin, Kinberly Bailey, Amanda Bradley, Opal Carlton, Jeanne Clark, Jennifer Clark, Jamie Clubine, Chris Confer, Terra Davison, Brad Fienen, Thomas Franklin, Toby Gettler, Shawna Harlin, Jamie Harris, Timothy Henderson, Lory Hensley, Renee Herrmann, Quentin Hoffman, Mellissa Kemp, Valerie Landwehr, Kelsie Linder, Monica Malone, Niki Mathews, Sherie Shanta, Carrie Moffatt, Melissa Morris, Natalie Reed, Leah Salem, Stephanie Shedd, Amanda Sheets, Doug Songer, Melody Spearman, Casey Starrett, Carrie Stockton, Sarah Stockton, Cyrstal Tucker, Jessica Tyler, Keri Vannoster, Jan Vicory, Atisha Watson, Brooke Watson, Dayna Watson, Kelly Werner, and Melinda Werner.

CHOIR MAKES MANY PERFORMANCES



Denee Dollison, above, finishes a solo during the annual spring conert of the Independence High School Concert Choir. The vocal music department was very active this year.

The vocal music department of Independence High School is very active and very productive.

The department consistently receives top ratings in the variety of musical contests offered throughout the state.

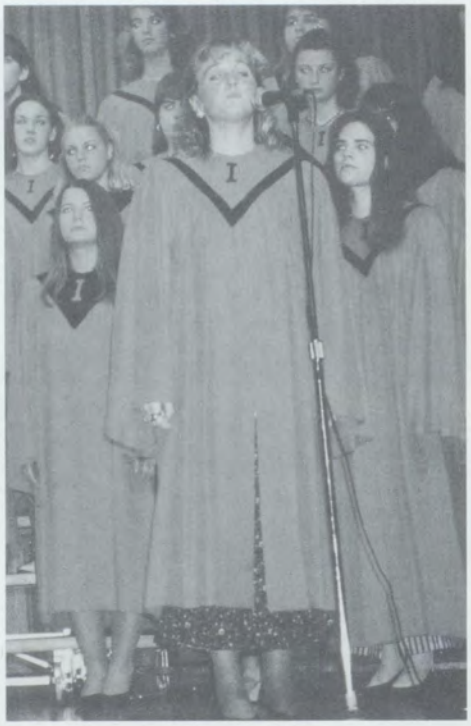
Mrs. Jodie Russell, choir director and chairwoman of the voal music department, has a state-wide reputation for the quality of the program offered at IHS. She is a past-president of the Kansas Music Educators Association, an honor that no other teacher in this district has gathered.

The vocal music department is broken down into freshman chorus, concert choir, mixed chorus, and Indy Ensemble.



The Independence High School Choir, directed by Mrs. Jodie Russell, performs for their parents and people from the community. The choir had many concerts and performed for state competitions.





(Above), Thomas Franklin, junior, belts out a song for the audience. (Below), A section of the choir pays close attention to the direction of Mrs. Russell.

Jami Paugh, junior, sings a solo for a choir concert. Jami not only took part in choir, but she was also a member of Indy Ensemble.



INDY ENSEMBLE SHOWS ITS STUFF



PHOTOS BY ANGEL WOOD

Chris Keley (sphomore) and Jay Jones (senior) strike a pose during a sixth rehearsal.



Jama Defever (senior) tries to impress Andy Stewart (junior) with her dancing abilities.



Jami Paugh and Tommy Tyler (juniors) have some fun while practicing for their concert.

Fourteen students were selected from the IHS Concert Choir to participate in the 1994-94 Indy Ensemble.

These students are chosen by their dancing ability, and vocal talent.. The members practiced during sixth hour with Miss Jody Russell and was coreographed by Renee Hines.

Their hard work payed off during their many prefomances, They included assemblys, concerts, Neewollah street acts, and various community shows. The Indy Ensemble helped make 1995 a great school year.



Tiffany Crow and Tim Bannawarth (seniors) practice their spin in one of their many dance numbers.



Alison Auxter (junior) and Tim Veith (senior) look puzzled as they try to rember the next step.

INDY ENSEMBLE MEMBERS

Women: Alison Auxter,Chris Kelley, Shana Mitchell, Jama Defever, Jami Paugh , Emily Carnes and Chris Linder

Men:Jay Jones, Tim Veith, Tim Bannawarth, Andy Stewart,Tommy Tyler, Doug Songer, Adam Sikes and Corey Sanborn

HALLWAYS ARE FULL OF STUDENT LIFE

Independence High School's hallways. Where friends meet friends. Where friends make friends.

The halls of the school are crowded with students, teachers, staff members, visitors. etc. The school was built to accommodate about 800 students. However, this was with the junior college present. With the juco here, the students were not in the building at the same time. So, our halls are crowded. It could be said the students make close friends.

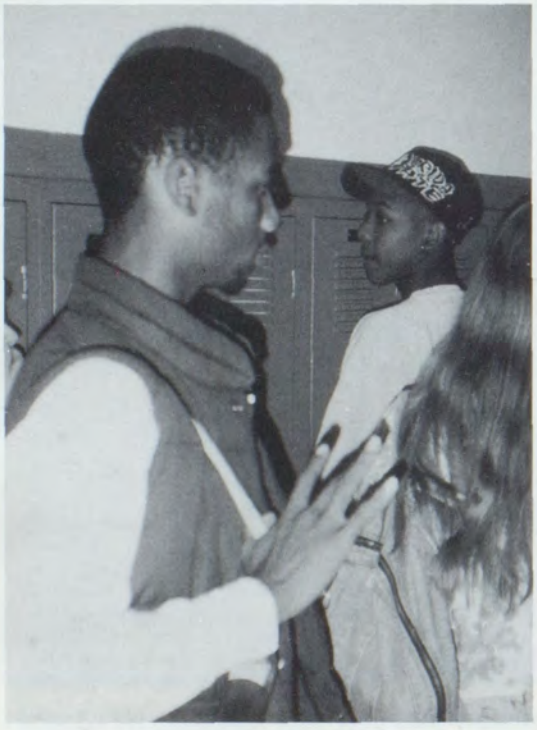
The halls are where notes are passed, tests are compared, lunch plans are discussed , parties are arranged, pencils are loaned, lockers are visited, and rest rooms visited.



Quentin Hoffman gets caught by surprise by his fellow class mate Chris Short. This was Quentin's second year at Independence High School as was Chris's. Manys students spent time before school roaming the halls and talking with their friends before the day began.

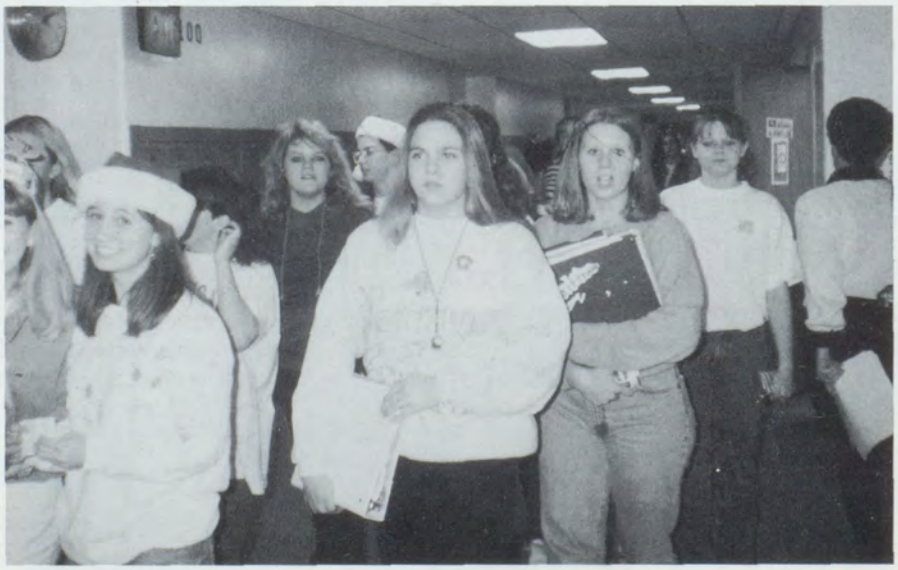


Tera Davidson, senior, walks down one of the high schools busiest hallways, 100 Hall. Tera is loaded down with books and other items she needs for her classes. The 100 Hall sees a lot of foot traffic each year as students walk up and down the hall many times each and every day.



(Above) Dejuan Henderson, senior, walks down the hall after school in an attempt to leave the building. Damian Pouncil, junior stands at his locker waiting to open it and get his books.

(Right) A large group of freshmen girls walk down the hallway during the Christmas holiday season. At this time students spend a lot of time dreaming about their holiday.



QUIET ON THE SET! 5, 4, 3, 2, 1...AND ACTION

How would you like to direct or produce your own TV show? For the second year the IHS media class produced the Channel 14 aired "IHS Times." Students filmed and edited, this show is only a small portion of the hard work these students do. During the course of the year many of the students participated in filming ball games, Neewollah activities, and the Inge Festival, just to name a few things filmed for the local cablevision station.

Media class has a variety of activities. To many students the class looks like a breeze — a lot of glory but not much work. However, Mrs. Shepard proves this concept wrong. One of the toughest parts of the class is the time spent outside the actual classroom. Students have to spend time covering the various events, filming, taping, setting up equipment, taking the equipment back, editing and preparing the final product. Obviously, the events do not always take place during the school day. Another obstacle for the class is the length of the class period and the limited time available to edit the tapes and prepare them for viewing.

Mrs. Shepard has created a close working relationship with the local Cablevision business and this has benefited the school.



Photo by Angel Wood

Jason Blex, senior, listens to Mrs. Shepard's instructions on editing tapes for Media. Jason was a mainstay for the Media classes and for Mrs. Shepard during his junior and senior years. The media classes worked on several projects during the school year.



Photo by Erin Chapman

Angel Wood, senior, watches a monitor during a taping session in class. The class members learn to produce, edit, direct and many other activities during the course of the school year.



Photo by Angie Hickel

Sasha Bowen, junior, concentrates on writing a pre-production report for an upcoming segment. Students are required to write pre-production and post-production reports prior to and after the filming of a segment.



Photo by Sam Allen

Keri Curtis, senior, often ran the field camera during IHS football games. Here she is shown waiting for the cue from the director while taping.

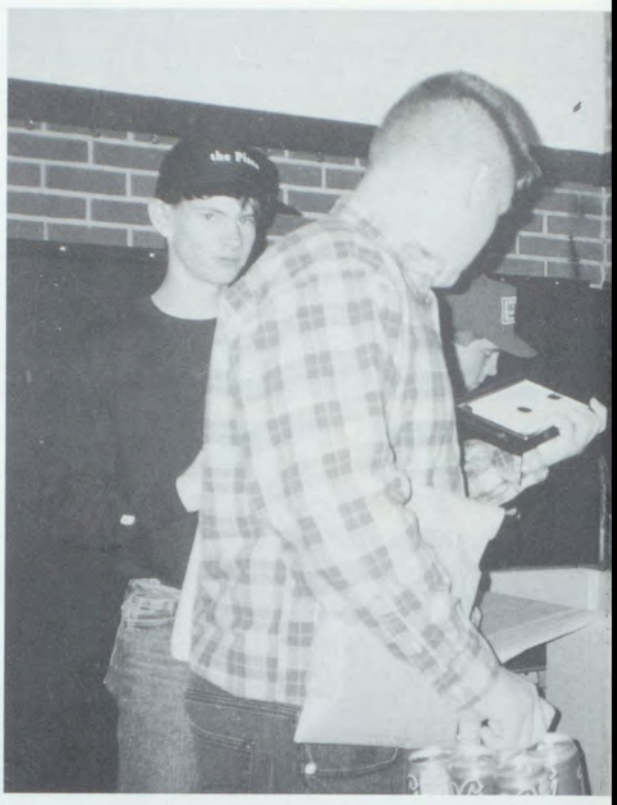
"Media is a great class. Its really great to see our hard work on the show, and know that people all over Independence watch it."

Blue Gragg

RENAISSANCE HONORS TOP IHS STUDENTS



Above, in one of the many prize give-aways, Mr. Collins hands Lindy Smith a dictionary. Unlike these drawings in which not everyone receives a prize, right, Aaron Heckman, Ryan David, Mickey King, and Kyle Schuman search through a grab bag of prizes for students to pick what they want. It seems Aaron has his eye on a picture frame.

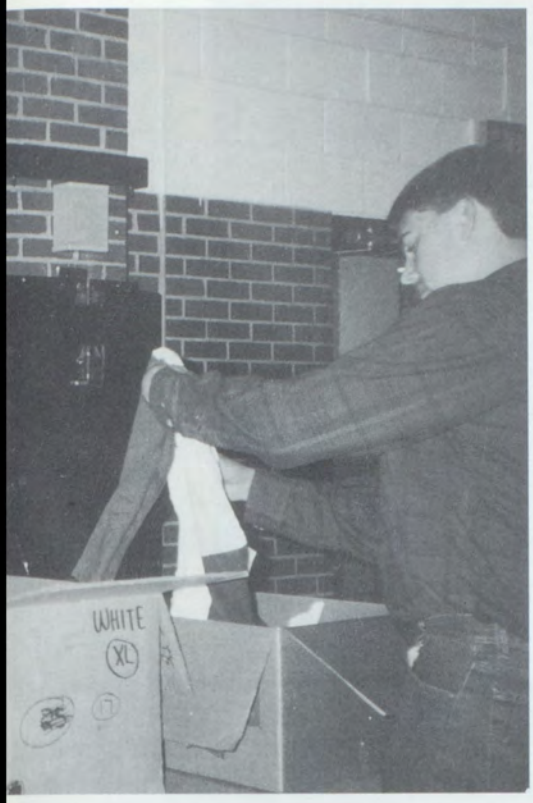


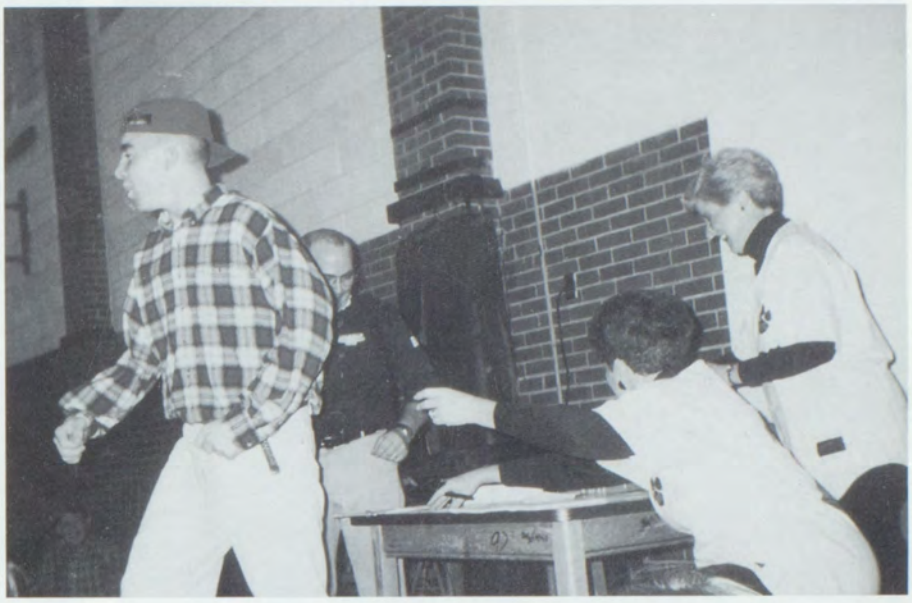


Renaissance: a time for students to be recognized. Athletics, organizations, activities, and anything extracurricular has been recognized for years. But what about the students who are not involved in these outside activities--the ones whose forte is academics? The extracurricular activities win students medals, trophies, sometimes even monetary prizes. So in 1992, the faculty of Independence High School decided to award the academically outstanding students similar rewards. The faculty never guessed, however, that the program would not only reward the already honor students, but would add many more to the list of honorees. The grades of many students have increased dramatically thanks to the Renaissance program. The students are striving to get those incentives at the end of the quarter. Local businesses have also gotten involved. The teamwork between these businesses, the faculty, and the students themselves is what makes Renaissance so successful.

"Here, can you catch?" This was the statement of Mr. Collins during one Renaissance lunch meeting when Niki Browning's name was drawn for a J.A. t-shirt. Niki, left, being too far in the midst of people to make it to the front, decided to play a little game of catch with her prize. It appears Tara Lynn and Alison Auxter are a bit worried about the package landing on their heads.

PROGRAM GIVES PRIZES, RECOGNITION





Above, Corey Morris seems excited tohave finally won something. It takes much luck to have your name drawn from the hundreds of names of the eligible students. Mr. Collins, Mrs. Spencer, and Mrs. Hellen are shown distributing the prizes. These teachers, along with others on the Renaissance committee spend much time planning and rounding up prizes for these assemblies.



Page Photographs by Erin Chapman

Above, students are shown enjoying the Renaissance lunch provided to them. Students gathered in the gym, one of the few places that could hold as many students as achieve this honor. This was the easiest place to meet and be able to eat and give away the prizes.

SPRING ASSEMBLY HONORS ALL ATHLETES

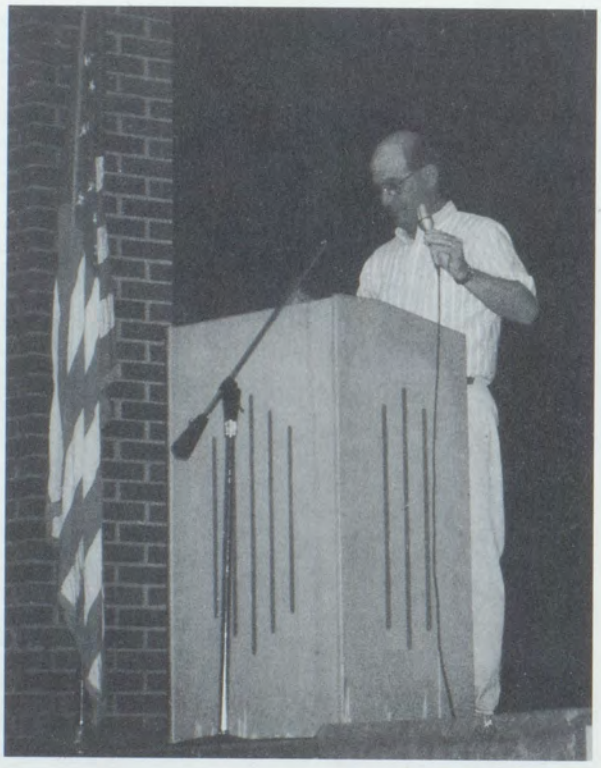


Retiring girls basketball coach Ron Schwatken, above, holds up a shirt presented to him in the spring sports assembly. The shirt refers to the legend of his coaching. Schwatken was touched by the show of support of his players and the rest of the student body.



Robert Clapp, above, leaves the stage after being honored as the winner of the Mark Tindle Most Inspirational Player award. Coach Don Simmons made the presentation to the senior football player. The award is given in memory of a player who died while playing for IHS.

Doug Lee, right, looks over his notes during he spring sports assembly held at the end of the school year. During this time the various letterwinners and state sport qualifiers were honored and recognized by the student body. Mr. Lee presides over this assembly. .





All sports are honored at IHS following the season. During the spring awards assembly some athletes are honored for accomplishments throughout the year.

Coach Kristi Speicher, above, honors Andrea Ysusi and Bridget Kinsey as the two outstanding female athletes at Independence High School. This award is sponsored by the local organization Women for Independence.

95 YEARBOOK STAFF MEETS CHALLENGES

"No Explanations Needed" is the theme of the 1995 Orange and Black. The staff members worked during the school year and some came back into the summer to complete the yearbook.

Extra challenges were added this year such as making the yearbook the largest in the history of the school and the continual updating of the technology used to create this yearbook. With increased technology came additional challenges as the students learned new computers and new programs.

The stafff suffered a loss at mid-year with two veteran staff members--Ashley Sutherland and Jeanee Cavalier. These two students moved to other schools. Erin Chapman served as editor and Roxie Farlow and Angela Hickel served as assistant editors this year.



Photo by Angie Hickel



Photo by David Torbett



Photo by Harley Matthews



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(Top Right) Yearbook senior and editor Erin Chapman works on the lader of the yearbook. The yearbook class used the ladder to show which pages were done and and edited correctly.

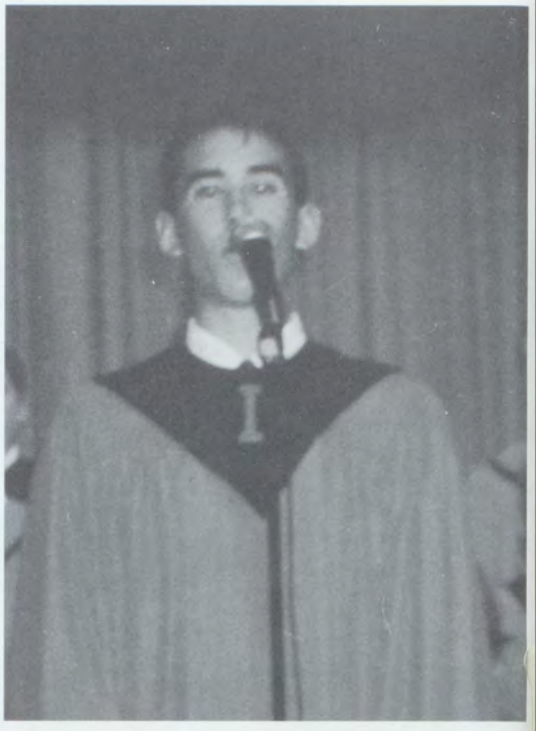
(Above) The 1994-1995 yearbook class was as follows: Back Row- Angie Hickel, Angel Wood, Tera Duke, Samantha Allen, Katja Freitag, Shawna Wantland, Renee Willson, Roxanne Farlow, Mary Hindle, and Kim Johnston. Front Row- Erin Chapman, William Clay, Harley Matthews, Lisa Lemon, Ryan Garey, and Ryan Lundt.

(Midlle Right) Greg Carroll and Chrissy Bockover wait in line to get their 1993-1994 annual. Highschool students anticipate all summer long for September when they finally get their yearbooks.

(Right) Editor, Erin Chapman, determines if the picture she just developed is good enough quality to put in the yearbook. Sophomore Harley Matthews did most of the taking and development of pictures this year. Independence Daily Paper Photographers Doug Hesse and Julia Clark helped in the developing room of the highschool this year.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT EXCELS WITH WORK









The marching Bulldog band, top, strut downtown during a parade last fall. The band enjoys wearing the casual clothes during the warmer weather and during the more informal marching occasions.

In the spring orchestra concert, middle left, Mr. Hoyt invited the eighth grade orchestra members to perform with the high school orchestra. This was part of the transition program to help the eighth graders become accustomed to the high school.

Lewis Hoyt, bottom left, takes a bow during the orchestra concert. Mr. Hoyt decided to return this year to IHS.

Brian Blandamer, top right, sings a solo during the spring concert.

The orchestra, bottom right, is heavy into rehearal during first hour.



To be good at anything, practice is necessary. The music department is no exception. From vocal music to marching band to orchestra to concert band, a tremendous amount of rehearsal time is necessary..

The music department at Independence High School has a long and famous traditionn of excellence. Even though operating under difficult room conditions, the instructors are able to overcome these conditions. The hard work is visible during the many public performances.

1995 KAYS PARTAKE IN MANY PROJECTS



Miss Willis and Miss Jayne, Kay Sponsors, convene in a short meeting outside of Miss Jayne's room.



Nikki Matthews concentrates hard on decorating a very large cookie for their Valentine's Day Party this year while Annie Cessna looks on..



Four KAYS work together on a cookie during activity period. Jana Gruver, Karla Jacobs, Chris Kelly, Tiffany Crow, and Stephanie Shedd.

The Annual Kay Conference was held in the Spring of 1995 at IHS. Amy Spencer led the ceremony while Miss Jayne and Miss Willis welcomed fellow Kay members from various schools.

A number of schools from throughout the area attended this meeting as well as students from the middle schools.

Kays is an organization that is designed to help the school, the student, the community and the world. The group is under the sponsorship of the Kansas State High School Activities Association and has to follow particular guidelines.

The group exists for both fun and for service. It helps the school in a number of areas. One that the faculty particularly appreciates is the monthly birthday cakes provided in the teachers' lounge.

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS CREATED

Scum Club started at Independence High School this year. The name comes from Students Combatting Unwanted Mess and was originated by the IHS chemistry teacher, Scott Capes.

The purpose of the club was to make the students more aware of the environment and be more responsible in the disposal of waste, trash, and unneeded items.

The organization sponsored several activities during the year but the biggest project was environment week in the spring of the year.

Mr. Capes and his group seems intent on this being a long-time commitment.



Photo by David Torbett

Ron Burke and Evan Miller ride together on a bicycle made for two. During Earth week Scum club provided several activites. These guys supportes earth week by riding their bike instead driving and poluting the air.



Photo by David Torbett

(Above) Tiffany Crow and the Scum Club sponsor plant a tree for Earth week. Tiffany digs into the ground to plant the tree while Mr. Capes, who is camera shy, hides behind the tree.

(Right Above) A gagged Emily Carnes gags Mr. Torbett. Selected teachers and students were gagged throughout the day to help not pollute the air.

(Right) Erin Chapman, a senior Scum Club member, helps with Earth week by emptying trash into trash bags to recycle. Every classroom had a blue container that held assorted trash so that Scum Club could pick it up and help recycle.

Also during this week was "no hairspray day." Several of the veteran male teachers really participated in this day--not by choice but by the necessity of age.

Scum Club members are Jeff McClain, Tony Zemlock, Kim Wilson, Chris Crow, Leslie Epp, FavianHernandez, Shawn Carter, Emily Carnes, Tiffany Crow, Tim Bannwarth, Desirea Counsil, Kelly Werner, Ryan Lundt, and Erin Chapmen..

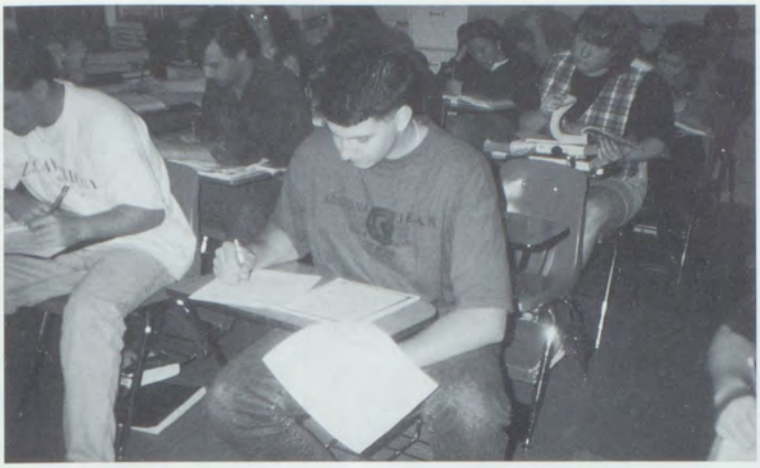


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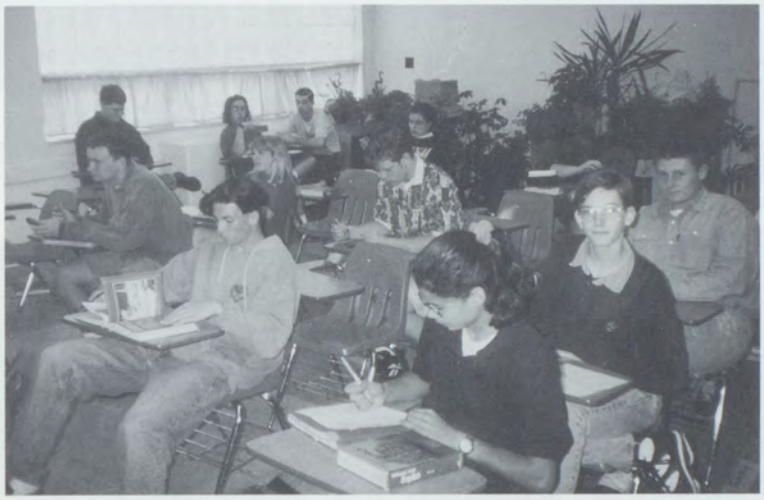


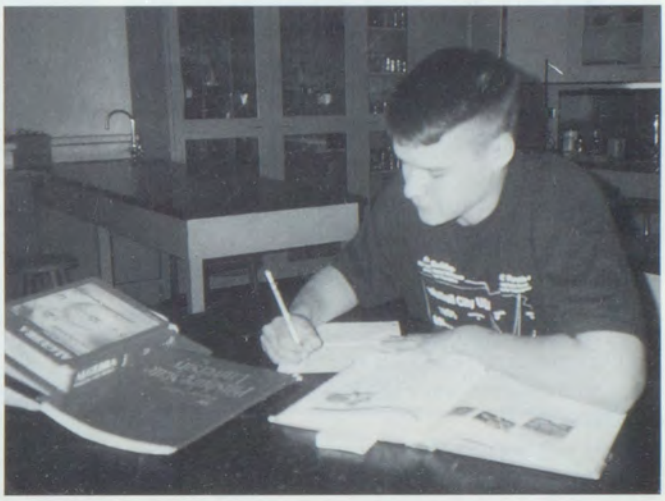
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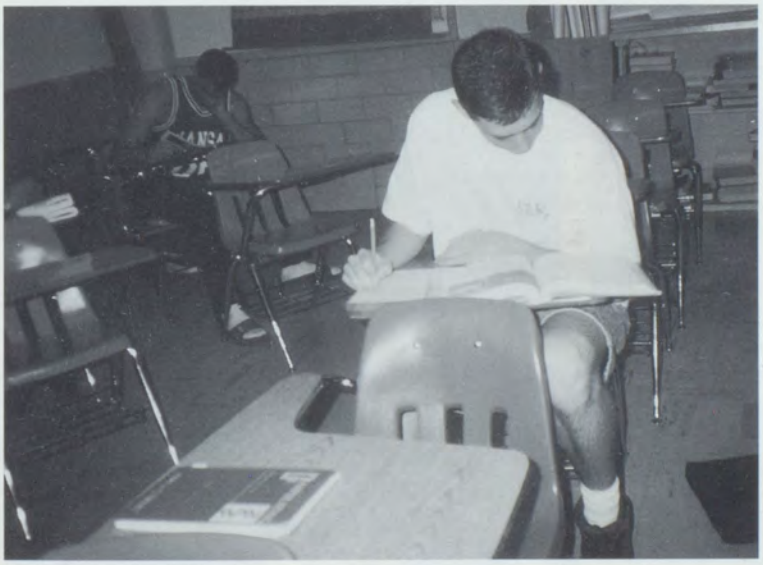
STUDENT LEARNING IS THE HEART OF IHS











Many things go on at Independence High School but the reason the school is in session is for learning. The classroom is the heart of the learning expericnce and is absolutely the most important function of the school,

Students here are exposed to a variety of learning experiences and styles. Some teachers lecture, some use notes, some stick to the text, some demonstrate, so use hide-and-seek where the students discover the knowledge on their own. Regardless of the method used, the students at Independence High School have every opportunity to learn and if they don't it is probably their fault.

Tucker Clubine, juior top left, concentrates during Mr. Coder's intensive history course. Mr. Coder relies on worksheets, chalk board notes and lectures for his teaching method. Mrs. Torbett's English class middle left, works on an assignment during class. The students study in a variety of ways. In a rare moment of concentration, Jason Eytcheson, finishes an assignment due at the end of the period. Thinking is giving Jay Alexander a headache during his math test, middle right. Dustin Meza, top right, works to get his assignment before going to athletic practice.

CROWDED HALLWAYS FULL OF TALKING



(Above) Sarah Caflisch and Shaun Hampton, both sophomores leave the building after a long hard day.

(Below) Joseph Henderson, junior, waits patiently for a ride.





Angie Muniger, and Travis Freeman, along with two other fellow students,sign up for the KAYS smokeout. Students took a couple of minutes out of their day to sign up for this in the foyer. This was the second year the KAYS sponsored this event at the high school.



(Above) Tiffany Zemlock, sophomore, and Jason Kelly, senior, prepare to leave the building after a long and tiring day at school. Tiffany and Jason talked often at their lockers this year.

(Below) Brandy Buchanan, sophomore, looks on as her friends share in a laugh before school starts. The foyer was used by many students each day befor e school, at break, and after school for the students to sit and talk with friends, and occasionally homework was done.



SCIENCE CLUB EXPLORES HOUSTON!!!



Mrs. Strunk, Jason Sweeters, Dustin Ross, and Sam Pray all Science Club members are waking up to a beautiful day in Houston , Texas. They are preparing their early morning breakfast. It will probably be something extremely healthy, and very tasty. The Science Club was chaparoned by sponsor Mr. Scott Capes, and accompanied by Mr. Mark Hay ward. Some of the science members went to Houston for the weekend in order to broaden their scientific knowledge.

Science club. What comes to mind? A group of students who sit around planning rocket blastoffs or experiments in genetic engineering. No so at Independence High School.

Under the sponsorship of second year at IHS teacher Scott Capes, the science club incorporates fun and learning at the same time.

This year the highlight of the organization was the trip to Houston, Texas, to see the Houston Space program. The vans of IHS students were sponsored by Mr. Capes, Mr. Heyward, and Mrs. Strunk. The group did manage to spend considerable amount of time at the beach, camping, and enjoying other sights as they learned about the space program.

The science club draws many students from the various science classes but is open to all students of IHS who have an interest in studying science and its consequences.



Sophomore Science Club member, Dustin Ross, feeds a squirrel or is he just trying to catch the squirrel to give to his sisters when he gets back home.



Science Club members try to find souveniers along the shore. They want to take back something to remember the trip. The Science Club members spent two days in Houston. They did lots of exploring and found out quite a few things. Next year they are hoping to find the time again to go back , but try to stay longer and see more things.

EXPO '95 PROVIDES FORUM FOR STUDENTS



In EXPO '95 there was a variety of projects on display. Above was Brandon Root's version of a home entertainment center--a bar.

Angie Foreman displayed her inanimate object, below. This was a project that all of the Design Two class was required to complete. Angie utilized one of her other favorite hobbies--dance--to create this piece. Also, in the background, are several drawings completed is several different formats by the art students.



These masks, left, were completed by the design I class. The students use a wide variety of format and colors in creating these works of art. Some are traditional and some are extremely contemporary.



Fine Arts were not the only thing on display during EXPO '95, there were also a number of practical art exhibits. Mandy Lain displayed her hand -made basket along with her bed spread and pillow.

These ceramic prodjects, below, may not be comparible to August Rodin's, a famous French sculptor, work But they are definitely interesting. This display showed a wide variety of the required items that needed to be completed for the ceramics classes.The students take an original concept and work it to its completion and finish with a completely original project.





LARGE CROWD ATTENDS ANNUAL SHOW



Derek Renfro was the exhibiter who displayed the most work. That was the reason that most of the exhibiters participating in EXPO '95 dubed the art show "The Everything 'Fro Show. The two categories Renfro participated in were woodworking and ceramics, but through those two groups he displayed the most work including this desk, all the clocks on it, and all the ceramic work in front of it, above. Along with this he showed a corner novelty shelf on which he displayed even more ceramic work. Derek participated in Industrial Technology for several years at Independence High School.

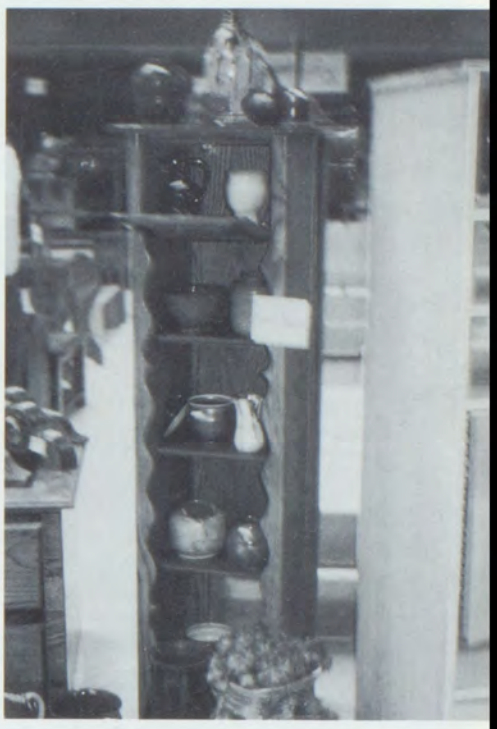
EXPO '95, or the "Everything 'Fro Show," whichever you want to call it, was once again a success this year. Several students began making projects for classes having no idea they could be participating their very own art show. Derek Renfro was the largest exhibiter with large furniture projects and small wooden clocks and projects in between in size.

The EXPO is a combination show of the woodworking classes, the one dimensional and three dimensional art classes and the various home ecomics classes. It is usually held in the last weeks of May so that most of the projects will be finished. In the various classes, it is a whirlwind the last few days before the show as the students finish up the projects.

One of the highlights of the exhibit is the large turn-out by the community.

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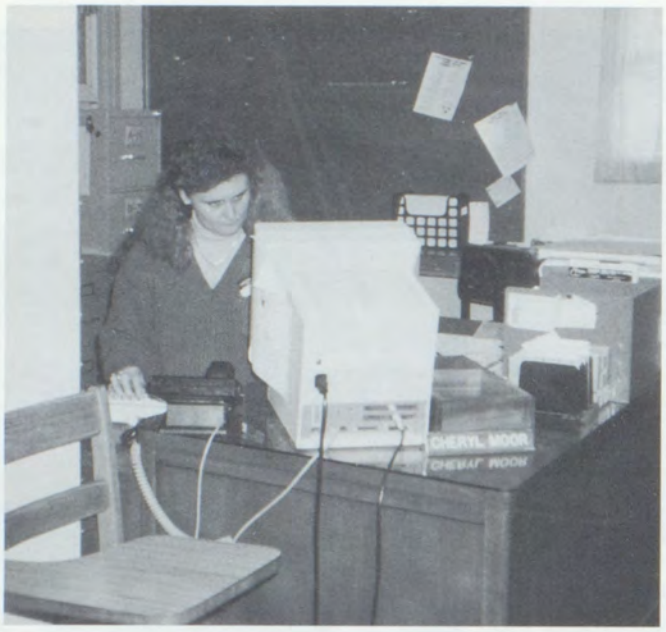




Jason Finney displayed this beautifully made entertainment center, above. Finney was the recipient of the Charles Belt memorial scholarship. This scholarship is rewarded to the most outstanding Industrial arts student of the year.

Along with learning how to prepare and display food, Mrs. Staton's cooking classes learned how to run a successful refreshment table. These three students: Jason Evans, Tonja Lair, and Jeanne Clark were caught resting during a not-so- busy time at their refreshment table.

OFFICE STAFF HELPS IHS RUN SMOOTHLY





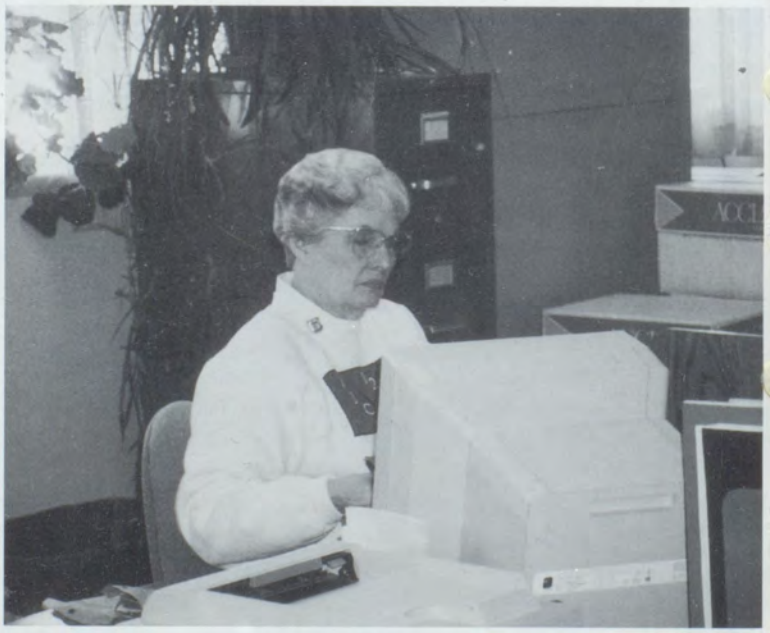
The Independence High School office staff is a hard working integral part of the education process at the school.

The work that the principal, vice principal, guidance department and athletic director does is obvious. However, the office secretaries and bookkeeper make sure the school is able to get started and to finish each day.

The students are probably most aware of Mrs. Moor. In addition to being the mother of two high school children, she is the attendance clerk of the school and receives the opportunity to work with the students who have been absent or tardy.

Mrs. Sanborn is primarily the principal's secretary but also handles a myriad of other responsibilities. She does the daily and weekly bulletins, the newsletter, and the other printed documents from the school. Mrs. Schwatken is responsible for the books and accounting in the school.





(Top) Attendence Secretary Cheryl Moor works on the computer in the office. She is probably checking to see who is here, sick, or just skipping.

(Top Left) Principal Joanne Brookshire talks with Senior English teacher, Linda Spencer. They are in her office where Mrs. Brookshire will talk to various faculty members and students.

(Above) The Principal secretary, Teresa Sanborn, sorts through a maze of material before school.

(Right) Bookkeeper Ann Schwatken types into the computer. Mrs. Schwatken also helps students.

SECRETARIES IMPORTANT FOR STUDENTS



(Above) Mrs. Joanne Brookshire, principal, works at her desk in her office. Few people realize the amount of paper work required of the building administrator.

(Right) Mrs. Ann Schwatken, bookkeeper, talks with Sandy Barnes, secretary of the food service program.

(Below) New Vice Principal Jim Runge smiles at the camera as he learns about his new position. Mr. Runge instituted a new method of passing out referrals to students by visiting the classrooms.

(Below Right) Athletic Director Doug Lee talks on the phone, takes notes, and is still able to take the time to have his picture taken for the yearbook. All Mr. Lee needs is a piece of gum to prove his total dexterity.

Most students don't realize what is in the high school office. The office is filled with machinery and records, equipment and files, people and personalities.

This year the office added a fax machine to the equipment list. This addition was a gift from the local cablevision company who is working with a more up-dated model. However, now the high school can receive faxes and send faxes--something that most schools have had for a number of years.

In addition the office houses a copy machine that the faculty uses in times of necessity, need, and pure panic. This copy machine can enlarge, reduce, or simply print material needed.

As the the school becomes more computerized, the technology equipment is being updated for more advanced programs and more sophisticated operations. Also this year the school received a new safe for the records







NEEWOLLAH ? 1995

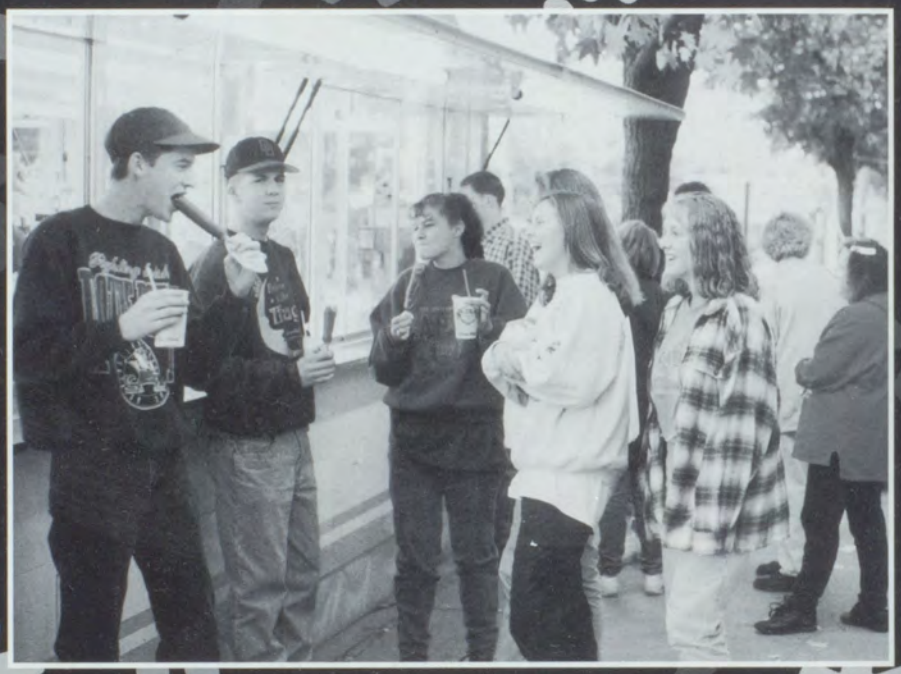


Queen Neelah competions, musicals, concession stands, Marine band, band competitions, carnival, street acts, parades, and games--what more can you ask for in a week's time? Every year, Neewollah is the most jam-packed, fun-filled time of the year. There are people around at all times, and people of all ages are involved in the festivities. Neewollah was established years ago to keep kids off the streets on Halloween. a contest for the best name for the event was set up, and the celebration was christened Neewollah, Halloween spelled backward.

Above, Nick Kurucz escorts Kelsey Dodson into Memorial Hall prior to the 1994 Queen Neelah competition.

Right, Jason Kelly, Chad Mavers, Beth Bryant, Christy Fry, and Sara Caflish stand next to one of the many concession stands. These stands were a very popular attraction during lunch hours of Neewollah week.

Below, Jessica Kemp and Tara Ballard also decided to spend a lunch hour uptown. Taking a seat at the side of Bette and Phil's Hallmark Shop, it appears Tara was enjoying a funnel cake.





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MR. COLLINS

Don Collins, a veteran teacher in the Independence High School mathematics department, retired after the 1995 school year.

Mr. Collins has technically been teaching for 34.216 years. Although this sounds like some sort of mathematical equation relating to pi, it is how long Mr. Collins was in the field of education.

Mr. Collins was employed by the Unified School District #446 since 1962. Mr. Collins is also noted as one of the originators of the Renaissance plan.

MRS. TURNER

Mrs. Shirlene Turner was involved in many areas of teaching in her years at Independence High School. Originally, Mrs. Turner taught in the home economics area. After several years, she assumed the responsibility of the off-campus instructional program, such as tutoring, work experience, and community volunteer. However, in the past couple of years, Mrs. Turner has returned to the regular classroom, teaching again in the home economics department. Mrs. Turner will be moving to the Branson area where her mother and daughter and grandson reside.



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MR. SHEETS

Ron Sheets, business teacher, retired after teaching for thirty-one years with 24 of these in Independence. Mr. Sheets plans on starting his own business at home, combined with selling real estate. Also high on his plans is the playing of "a lot of golf." He has taught at the high school in the field of accounting, business law and computers. Mr. Sheets also officiated basketball games for the freshmen. When asked about his time at IHS, Mr. Sheets replied, "Of all the careers I have had, this has been one of them."

MRS. BROSS

Mrs. Martha Bross has taught for 33 years. In May she left Independence High School for the last time. However, she came to Independence in 1974. She taught social studies at the Middle School for 13 years andwas at IHS for eight years teaching English. Mrs. Bross, while looking forward to retirement said, "I would not do things differently, but I now plan to follow a new path which I've not yet discovered." One of Mrs. Bross' greatest contributions to IHS was the leading of the school through the first cycle of the Outcomes Based Accreditation.



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MRS. SLATER

After sheepherding numerous seniors through research papers, Mrs. Shirley Slater retired after this year. Mrs. Slater has watched the area of library science change from one of primarily cataloguing books and materials to enter into the beginning of the technological age. The library is now on the electronic check-out system, has a modem, CD-ROM, and constantly adding other technology equipment. Mrs. Slater taught for several years at the Wayside school before becoming the IHS librarian.

MR. SCHWATKEN

Ron Schwatken, verteran science teacher and basketball coach, retired at the close of the 1994-95 school year. Mr. Schwatken is a native of the Elk City area and has taught in the Independence School system since 1958. He taught at the Middle School and came to IHS when the freshmen moved. As girls basketball coach, his teams won two state championships. However, his teaching is what most will remember him, along with the experiments, the explanations, the obvious enjoyment received from working with kids.



A VARIETY OF FACES FOR THE FACULTY













(Top Left) While Mr. Jim Runge waits for Mr. David Torbett to notice him he smiles for the camera. Mr. Runge often went to different classes to talk to some of the teaching staff. (Middle Left) Mr. Thornton Shelton is being escorted by Sophomore Shondra White at the coronation of teachers homecoming. Shondra apparently did't enjoy being Mr. Shelton's escort. (Above Left) Mrs. Rachel Torbett adds more food to her plate, while Mr. Ron Sheets goes back for his second or his third or fourth.... (Top Right) Mrs. Jean Lundt wanders down 200 hall thinking of a way to make her math quizes difficult for that day. (Middle Right) Mr. Farthing tries to look cool for the 60's era for the coronation of the teachers homecoming. Mr. Farthing is being escorted by Junior Trenise Hays. (Above Right) Mrs. Martha Bross is being escorted by Senior Gavin Schmitz. Mrs. Bross, who retired this year, won the crown for the evening.

BLOOD DRIVE INVOLVES MANY STUDENTS



Emily Carnes, senior, is being checked by Nurse Yvonna Cochrane prior to giving blood. The nurse appears to be looking for a vein of Emily's that would offer the best opportunity.



Mr. Shelton is in a chair to relax, before the big moment coming up. Alison Auxter, junior, looks perplexed and probably thinks about, if she is really going to do that.



Terry Hawk looks skeptical towards his arm where nurse Yvonne Chochrain is getting ready to take some of his blood. Sometimes the preparation for giving blood takes longer than the actual giving of the blood. The nurses are careful to find the right spot so that the procedure will be as painless as possible.



Mrs. Julie Thompson, Student Council sponsor, works on the registration table leading into the blood mobile. The responsibility of setting up for the blood mobile, arranging for food, getting the workers is a tremendous responsibility. Of all the many Stuco projects, the blood mobile is the most meaningful.



Jason Birdie, Sophomore, is getting his temperature checked by Cathy Wapelhorst. This is done to make sure that the person, who is giving blood, is not ill and that the persons blood is healthy. Jason is a first time blood donor and probably would not have given blood if the blood mobile had not come to Independence High School.

PROM IN REMODELLED COUNTRY CLUB

The 1995 Junior Senior Prom was under the direction of Mark Hayward. This energetic freshman science teacher with the able and considerable help of the junior class president, Carrie Mitchell.

With the remodelling of the Independence Country Club, the organization of the event had to be changed almost completely. The dance floor was smaller, the restrooms a greater distance away and the picture area a long way away. With the largest crowd in recent years, the sitting area more crowded than ever before, the prom went on without a serious hitch.

One of the many highlights of the prom was the presentation of the food. The Independence food service center, under the leadership of Coylene Spears, provided magnificent food.



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Tara Elliott, senior, and her date Jeremy Berry dance in a can- can style with Melissa Sumner, senior, and her date Todd Hammer. Amber Dowlin, senior, is also dances the can- can style.



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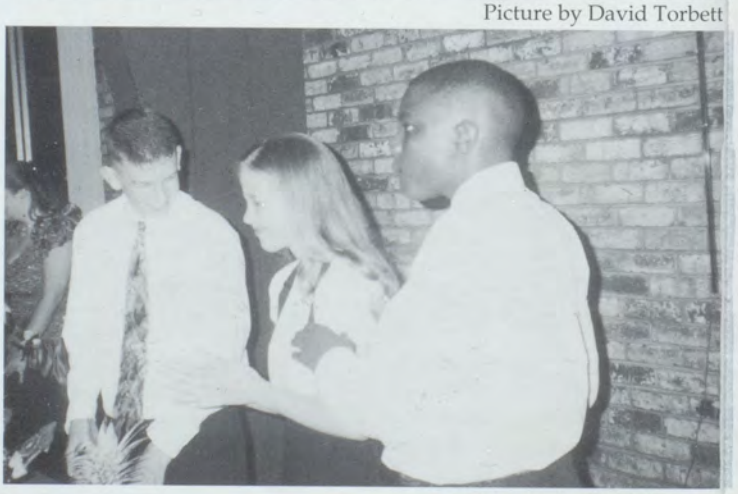
(Above) Derek Renfro, senior, and his date Jenny Burdett get food at the snack bar. As you can see Derek is sweating with his jacket off. Many guys had their jackets,ties, and vests off early into the night. Notice teachers Lina Miller and Ron Sheets are also at the snack bar. Most of the faculty stopped by the food bar numerous times in the night.

(Top Right) Tony Zemlock, junior, and date Brook Bodwell, sophomore, sit with Jason Kelly, senior, and his date Tiffany Zemlock, sophomore. Many students sat at the tables to catch a breather from all the dancing. As the students rested at the tables they would often drink some punch.

(Left) Freshmen servers Andrew Lynn, Destiny Baker, and Chriss Clay helped set the food out and do various tasds in the evening. Eventhough these freshmen could not dance they were still able to see and enjoy the atmosphere of the prom.



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"ENDLESS NIGHT" TERRIFIC PROM NIGHT

"Endless Night"--1995 Prom.

The 1995 Junior-Senior Prom was the largest attended and one of the nicest in recent memory. In an unforgettable piece of history, the crowd was increased rather dramatically by the inclusion of the Independence Fire Department. At the onset of the prom, an oversensitive smoke detector was set off by the fog machine and the fire department came crashing into the party.

Tom Emerson, the disc jockey, repeatedly said that the Independence crowd is by far the best behaved. The 1995 Prom was an unforgettable-"Endless Night."



Mandy Boring, senior, and her date Eric Watkins. are getting food that was provided by the school's food service. The servers were the freshman class under the direction of Mrs. Colleen Rollings.

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(Above) Kevin Hall, senior, and his date Lori Hensly, junior, walk into the Country Club after just being annouced. Jim Karleskint was the prom announcer this year. Many parents and various townspeople lined up on the sidewalks to get a glimps of the students dressed up for the special occasion.

(Above Left) Fireman Shawn Wallace brings his own special excitement to the prom in response to a sensitive smoke detector. The smoke comming out of the fog machine caused one of the smoking detectors to go off. After the arrivial of the fire trucks, the smoke alarm was turned off.

(Left) Mrs. Martha Bross, a retiree this year, stops by a busy table during prom to talk to her present and former students. Many of the faculty spent the evening close to the food. Most of the students were out on the dance floor all night long. When the students sat down they refreshed themselves with some punch or cold water from the water fountain. Into the "Endless Night" the tables became cluttered with the ladys shoes while the chairs held teh guys vests and jacketes.

CLASS OF '95 GRADUATES IN GREAT STYLE



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(Top) Nancy Peel looks nervously on at the camera as she prepares to walk across the stage. Soon to be college freshmen Tanisha Simpson and Amy Spencer follow Nancy while Mansi Patel leads.

(Above) Mrs. Martha Bross and Kelsey's mother Sandy Dodson help with the final touches before graduation. Andrea Ysusi looks on as she wonders why it takes two adults to get her friend dressed with one simple collar.

Graduation. It wasn't outside in 1995 but it was just as impressive and meaningful. With the weather in doubt, the decision was reached to move the ceremony to Memorial Hall. With Ryan Lundt and Tim Bannwarth giving inspirational valedictorian and salutatorian addresses, the large audience sat quietly and respectfully. Chris Linder and Ryan Lundt were selected as the outstanding seniors by the faculty.



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(Left) Mrs. Brookshire gives Ryan Lundt the Valedictorian trophy and Tim Bannwarth the Salutatorian trophy. The two seniors also received certificates and the opportunity to speak .

(Right) Sarah Howe opens a gift and a card following the graduation ceremony. Sarah is intent on reading the message on the card. Many seniors receive gifts and cards that eventful Sunday evening at Memorial Hall. The civic center was full of friends and faculty following the ceremony.



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(Left) Ryan Lundt, valedictorian, delivers his address to the graduates, parents, faculty, and friends. Lundt ranked at the top of the class academically. In his speech, Ryan compared his high school career to the making of a movie and challenged his class members to start their own movie and to make their own record of their own life.

MEMORIAL HALL HOLDS FINAL CEREMONY



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(Above) Graduating Seniors prepare for the big day at the rehersals at the auditorium. Jeff Adolph and Sam Baker aren't exactly thrilled with the instructions.

(Top Left) Retiring Teachers Mr. Ron Swatken, Mrs. Martha Bross, and Mrs. Shirley Slater talk about being at the last graduation of their teaching carres. Miss. Freddie Jayne listens in on the conservations. Mrs. Marolyn Hardy is pictored in the background.

(Left) Salutitorian Tim Bannworth makes his speech to the crowd. Tim thanked the faculty, his parents, friends, and his sister--Angie.

(Far Left) Graduating senior Shana Mitchell looks overjoyed and speechless as she has just graduated. Many students, like Shana, went to the reception after the graduation ceremony. Graduation must be special for Shana to be speechless.



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"I have survived the greatest obstacle ever- Mrs. Spencer's English class!"
Quote by Latisha Hayes



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(Above) Now College Freshman Amy Spencer talks with Sophomore and Indy Choiror Carie Shirer following the graduation ceremony. Amy is wearing her National Honor Society cord which is given to the graduates who belong to that group. The large crowd in the Civic center filled the room.

(Middle Above) Dejune Henderson stands alone looking on to the world as he has now graduated. Dejuan looks for more friends to talk to following the special moment.

(Left) Mr. Hogan helps out with the graduation rehersals at Memorial Hall. Bobbie Padley is waiting for her turn to walk across the stage for practce to prepare her for the big day.

'ENDLESS NIGHT' GOOD PROM THEME

"Endless Night." The 1995 Independence High School prom was one of the most successful in recent memory. After surviving an early threat of having the prom in a barn, the junior class was able to put together in the recently remodelled Independence Country Club a truly memorable evening.

Under the leadership of head class sponsor Mark Hayward and the president Carrie Mitchell the prom came together without any major problems.

As usual one of the highlights was the refreshment table. Mrs. Coylene Spear, food service director, provided the food. Everything from small sandwiches, cookies, cheese, fresh fruit dipped in hot chocolate sauce was included. The faculty spent a great deal of time supervising the table and making sure the food was edible.

Another top memory was the music provided by Tom Emerson of Tulsa.



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(Top) Mr. Mark Hayward enjoys a brief moment joking with Reporter photographer Julia Clark prior to graduation.

(Above Middle) Seniors Paul Stevens, who is blocking Melissa Sumner, Devota Swenson, Sa Thepvanaprasii, and Bryan Thompson all sit and wait for instructions for graduation.

(Above) Graduates Leeann Wilson, Lee Wiley, Angel Wood look on as they prepare to walk across the stage and receive their diplomas.

(Top Right) Mrs. Joanne Brookshire speaks with the class of 1995 as they prepare to walk across the stage.

(Right) Mr. Rutter talks with 95 class member Lisa Lemon. Ma ny graduates spoke with their teachers after graduation at the civic center.



Front center: Erich Umlauf; **First Row (l-r):** Woodman Hayes, Jamie Osborn, Chris Linder, Kelly Springer, Kelsey Dodson, Angie Munninger, Brooke Barker, Andrea Ysusi, Kim Wilson, Jason Williams, Ashley Sherwood, Gavin Schmitz, Mark Flood, Tom McDow, Shawn Lemon, Jason Kelly, Sam Baker, Paul Stevens, Luz Monsalve, Fawad Siddiqui; **Second Row (l-r):** Ryan Neises, Craig Williams, Brian Reid, Mickey King, Dereck Renfro, Sean Torrance, Heather Ballance, Jessica Kemp, Jessica Rasmussen, Erin Chapman, Tara Ballard, Terra Davison, Kelli Bosse, Amy Spencer, Amber Dowlin, Mike Beiter, Chris Hedrick, Emily Carnes, Shannon McClure, Sarah Howe, Mansi Patel, Kendra Williams, Sheree Watson, Betty Gonzalez; **Third Row (l-r):** Tara Bruce, Tina Covel, Tara Elliott, Mellissa Sumner, Laura Haines, Keri Curtis, Jason KcKenzie, Nikki Caputo, Sam Kinnamon, Amanda Bauer, Mandy Dewoody, Shannon Dodson, Jennifer Taylor, Renee Nowak, Missy Overfield, Shana Mitchell, Tiffany Crow, Jeff McClain, Chad Mavers, Adam Sikes, Tim Bannwarth,Jackie Gregory, Lee Wiley, Jeff Adolph, Jason Finney; **Fourth Row (l-r):** Danielle Twitchell, Bobbie Padley, Jennifer Vannoster, Pam Clark, Nancy Peel, Julie Hackett, Cyndee Campbell, Dave Ward, Travis Kocian, Jama Defever, Mandy Boring, Lisa Willis, Hannah Buck, Alfred Zamora, Rashon Johnson, Nick Kurucz, Robert Clapp, Dawn Niver, Amber Bassford, Lisa Lemon, Tanisha Simpson, Misty Tucker, Maranda Hosier, Sa Thepvanaprasiddhi, Latisha Hayes, Devota Swenson, Leann Wilson; **Fifth Row (l-r):** Brad Fienen, Jason Blex, Kevin Hall, Bryan Thompson, Tim Veith, Ben Tolleson, Andy Simmons, Bridget Kinsey, Heather Counsil, Mandy Lain, Jay Jones, Ryan Garey, Ryan Lundt, Brandon Root, Dustin Meza, William Clay, Spencer Farris, Michael Edgar, Rebecca Fleischer, Jimmy Shrum, Chad Hornsby, Aaron Hardy, Alvaro Prieto, Dejuan Henderson, Angel Wood; **Not Pictured:** Michelle Bechtle, Brian Blandamer, Mike Bower, Phillip Clemmer, Adrienne Crain, Donnie Hinds, Tex Hughes, Ken Kaiser, Tonia McCallie, Mike Mitchell, J.R. Thiessen

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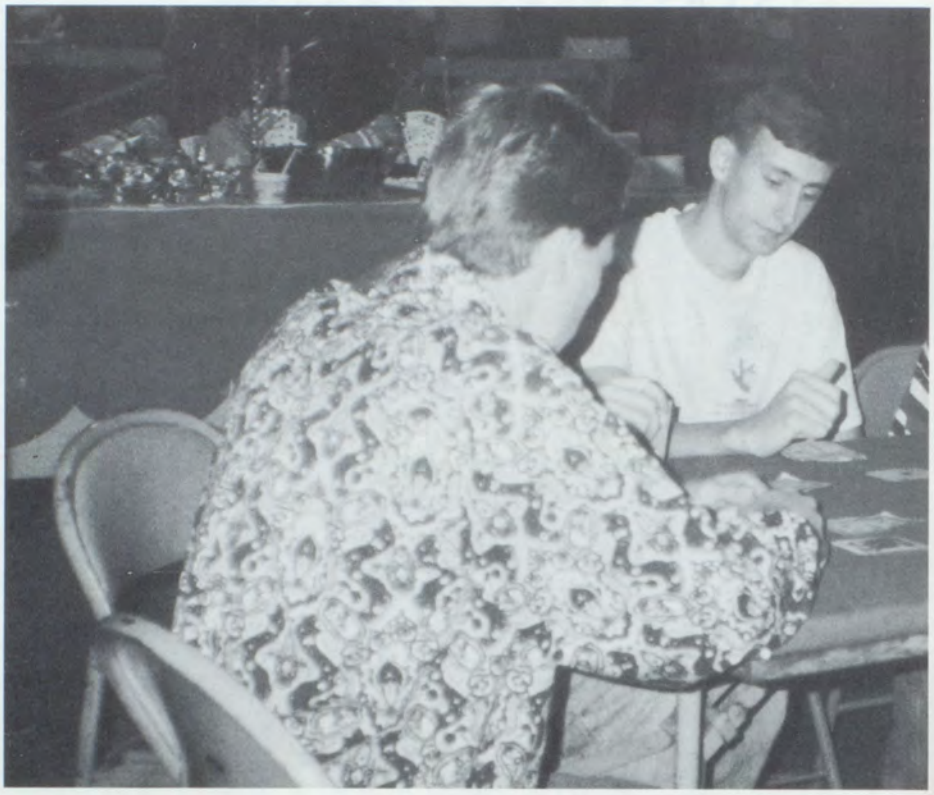
A "LAS VEGAS NIGHT" COMES TO IHS

"Las Vegas Night" was the theme for the party. It was a night out on the town for the juniors and seniors. They got the chance to stay out until 5:00 A.M. and their parents didn't care.

Students got the chance to gamble, play games, sing karaoke, and eat. There were many different activities for the students to participate in.

There were many prizes for the students to win. Among the prizes were a CD player, jewelery, luggage, and a car. The car was won by Larissa Sullivan, a junior.

The shirts were designed by Chris Vannoster, a junior. Chris received two after prom tickets.



Paul Stevens and Jason Finney, both seniors, try their luck at gambling. Paul has a look of concentration on his face. He is determined to win as many bulldog bucks as possible. Jason is also determined to win a lot of bulldog bucks. For every one thousand bulldog bucks, students fot a chance to win a prize.

" Five hours of eating and playing games, and not a prize to my name!!!"

Thomas Franklin
Junior



Erich Umlauf, Tim Bannworth, Chad Mavers, and Jeff McClain, all seniors, show off their singing abilities to their peers. They sang in the karaoke contest and sang "The Twelve Days of Christmas."



All photos by Erin Chapman.

Pam Clark, Brandy Waldron, Carrie Billingsly, and Tera Bruce, take time out to watch the karaoke singers. As the night got longer, more people watched the karaoke contest. The time spent watching was used for resting, eating, and a few people even took a nap.

MORP DANCE 'WILD AND CRAZY' PARTY



Who would have guessed? Brandon Root and Chris Gress dress as coeds to make a lasting impression at MORP. They were successful. Both received many compliments and, perhaps a few dates.



Dustin Thompson, above, is excitedly waiting for his turn to perform some wild and crazy stunt. Below, Julie Hackett is sucking some unknown substance through a straw as fast as she possibly can.



Photos by Harley Matthews

MORP, prom spelled backwards, has been a feature of the spring at Independence High School for the past 17 years. The highly contested airband contest started fifteen years ago by then-STUCO president Todd Nickel. The King Morp contest started 12 years ago with the use of the toilet seat for the crown.

Eric Umlauf, was crowned King Morp, while the senior group won the air band contest.

The Morp festivities are traditionally some of the most spirited of the year. The costumes and activities allow the students to relax and have an evening of fun without inhibitions.



Mrs. Speicher, above, has flour spread all over her face as she tries to win a contest during the MORP course. Each team was required to have a faculty member on the team in order to compete. Carrie Mitchell, below, is attempting the same feat as Mrs. Speicher--whatever that accomplishment might be.



SCHOOL STAYS OPEN DURING SUMMER

When the first of June arriving, most people think the school closes down for a couple of months. However, in many cases the school just starts a buzzing.

The paint crew, the driver's education teachers and students, the maintenance personnel all populate the hallways during the summer.

The maintenance department is able to do the work in the summer that can't be done during the winter with all the students and faculty populating the building. This past summer the rooms in the building were painted and the students returned to school with a freshly painted school.







(Above) Coach Don Simmons gets out of one of the driver ed vehicles. Coach Simmon and various staff members rode in the cars of inexperienced drivers during the summer.

(Left) Mr. Richard Hoose had helped paint the school during the summer of '94.



(Top Left) Carllyne Spoonemore and Peggy Harlin, the food cafiterria staff, sit in the schools's staff lounge taking a break from all the summer cleanup work. They help with the cleaning of the school after school is out.

(Middle Left) Mr. Eldon Woods also helps with the summer cleaning of the school. He arives at school 6:00 a.m. Monday through Friday every week. Event though he cleans the school all year long, he does some deeper cleaning during the summer. Some of the deeper cleaning consists of waxing floors, dusting the rooms heavily, moving and cleaning the chairs.

(Right) Mr. Ronnie Hugo, custodian, sits and takes a breather from working. He was also one of the helpers of the summer. During the school year, Mr. Hugo comes to work in the middle of the afternoon and works until the school is closed.



JIM HOGAN NAMED MASTER TEACHER



Jim Hogan, master teacher for the secondary division of the Unified School District #446, makes a few remarks following being named for the honor. Mr. Hogan was surprised at being named for this honor.



After Mr. Hogan was named master teacher the teachers at Independence High School honored him with a resception after school. Above, Mrs. Price helps Stephen Mills, Randy Lee, and Jim Shrum put up a poster at the reception. The students also prepared a banner with the help of Mr. Knoles. Mrs. Torbett made the poster.

Mr. Jim Hogan, a two-decade teacher at Independence High School, honored last spring as Unified School District #446 Secondary Master Teacher for 1995.

This honor is one that the other teachers of the district confer upon fellow instructors and is considered to be a great honor to be selected.

Mr. Hogan, an industrial technology teacher, was cited for his caring for students of all ability, his work in the profession, and his unparallelled safety record in the shop classes.

Not only does Mr. Hogan provided the highest quality of education, but he also provides many helpful servces to staff, faculty, and students of the school. His ping pong games and Halloween decorations are infamous throughout the community.



Jim Hogan talks to two Independence High School teachers who have also received the same honor. Miss Kathryn Kidd, retired English teacher, and Miss Beverly Willis, math teacher, received this honor.



Alan Speicher, left, husband of Mrs. Speicher, congratulates Mr. Hogan on being named master teacher. Mr. Speicher was a student teacher under Mr. Hogan's leadership. A large number of fellow high school teachers attended the Independence--National Education Association spring banquet in order to honor Mr. Hogan.

Superintendent of Schools Charles Mock, right, shares some wisdom with the master teacher following the banquet. Mrs. Shirley Slater, who was recognized as one of the retiring teachers, waits in the background to congratulate Mr. Hogan. Dr. Mock traditionally attends the teachers' association dinner to honor the retirees and the master teacher of the year.



INDEPENDENCE FLORAL





Gloria Botts, right, works on an arrangement of flowers at the Independence Floral shop. She is a co-owner of the store. The floral shop provides a large number of arrangements for the student of Independence High School. An IHS student, above, looks at a card during upon receiving some flowers at school The office is usually full of flowers for these special occasions. Independence Floral provides a large number of these arrangements.

Dawn Surber, anotheowner of the Independence Floral Shop, works on yet another arrangement to the right. Mrs. Surber is an Independence High School graduate and works enthusiastically with the students and faculty in providing for flower and balloon needs.

The sparkling variety of choices, below, available at the Independence Floral is breathtaking as the customer enters the shop. In addition to these choices, the staff can create that special effect the student or faculty member desires for that special occasion. Balloons are being used more and more for a gift or special occasion.

Independece Floral is located on West Laurel Street in Independence.







FACULTY

Brookshier-Fairbank 168

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Mani-Speicher 170

Spencer-O'Mera 171

Payne-Spears 172

STUDENTS COME FIRST FOR IHS FACULTY

Faculty--a diverse group of people who work together for the improvement of the education of the students of Independence High School.

The faculty of Independence High School spends many hours and much effort for the improvement of the school. The "average" faculty member arrives at school about 7:35 a.m. and doesn't leave until 3:35 p.m. However, this only tells part of the commitment of the faculty. Left out is the fact that Miss Willis and Miss Jayne arrive before 7 a.m. and that Mrs. Shepard is frequently still here past 5 p.m. It also leaves out that the fact that Mrs. Thompson spends the vast majority of her lunch periods meeting with students.

These are just a few of the many examples of the dedication of the faculty. There are many, many more. Most students at some time have asked Mrs. Payne for some sort of help. She never fails to try to be of assistance. The three ladies in the office are constantly being pulled a thousand directions by students, faculty, parents, and administrators. They continue to help and help and help.

However, the classroom is where the staff provides the greatest help for the IHS student. Teachers work, prepare, help, push, teach, re-teach, and test their students with the hopes that learning and understanding will take place.

The faculty. A group of people who work together for the improvement of the minds of the students. Independence High School students have much to appreciate.



Joanne Brookshier
Principal



Jim Runge
Assistant Princpal



Martha Bross
English



Scott Capes
Science



Joyce Cauthon
English



Mark Coder
Social Science



Don Collins
Mathematics



Waneta Cox
Special Education



Ray Emmot
Social Science



Paul Fairbank
Guidance Counselor

STUDENTS RECEIVE HELP FROM ALL STAFF



Don Farthing
Band



Bill Ferguson
Social Science



Marolyn Hardy
Guidance Counselor



Mark Hayward
Science



Diana Hellen
Career Coordinator



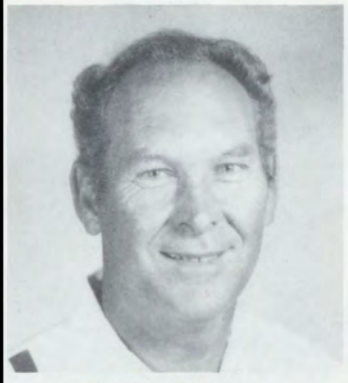
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Mathematics



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Industrial Art



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Orchestra



Freddie Jayne
English



Tim Knoles
Industrial Art



Wayne Landwehr
Social Science



Doug Lee
Athletic Director



Jean Lundt
Mathematics



Lance Lusk
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FACULTY PUSHES STUDENT EXCELLENCE



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Gloria McCray
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Mike Nelson
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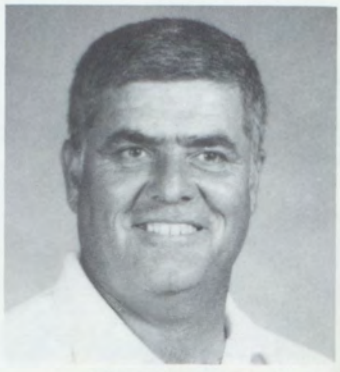
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Special Education



Ellen Ross
English



Jodie Russell
Music



Larry Rutter
Science



Ron Schwatken
Science



Ron Sheets
Business



Thornton Shelton
Science



Lea Shepard
English



Don Simmons
Physical Education



Rocky Shire
Foreign Language



Shirley Slater
Librarian



Kristi Speicher
Physical Education

TEACHERS ARRIVE EARLY AND STAY LATE



Linda Spencer
English



Sherry Staton
Home Economics



Julie Thompson
Human Sexuality



Bob Tincher
Computer Specialist



David Torbett
English



Rachel Torbett
English



Bill Trouskie
Art



Shirleen Turner
Home Economics



Linda Tweedy
Special Education



Beverly Willis
Mathematics



Rachel Worthington
Art



Charlene Young
ELP Coordinator



Jan Allison
AD Secretary



Theresa Barnhart
ALC Director



Cheryl Moor
Attendance Clerk



Roberta O'Mera
Library Aid

STAFF HELPS STUDENTS IN MANY WAYS



Donna Payne
Guidance Secretary



Gloria Price
Paraprofessional



Teresa Sanborn
Principal Secretary



Dena Schicke
Library Clerk



Ann Schwatken
Office Secretary



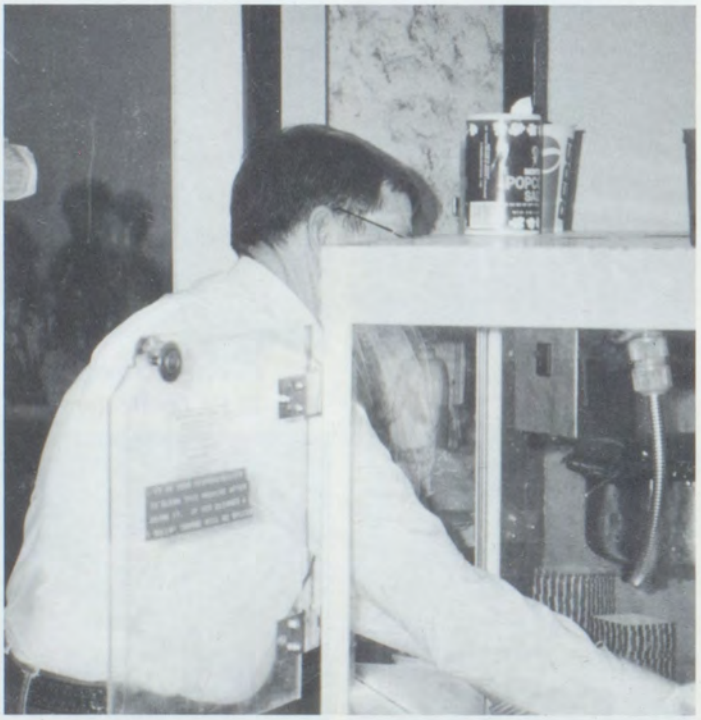
Rosie Stevens
Special Education



Kim Strunk
Paraprofessional



Coyleen Spears
Food Director



Mr. Landwehr gets into the spirit of IHS by helping at the snack bar at the basketball game. He is camera shy while getting some popcorn.



Mrs. Spencer gets some Pepsi for a customer at a basketball game at the Middle School. She served as Senior Class sponsor this year.

FACULTY LIFE VARIED AT INDEPENDENCE

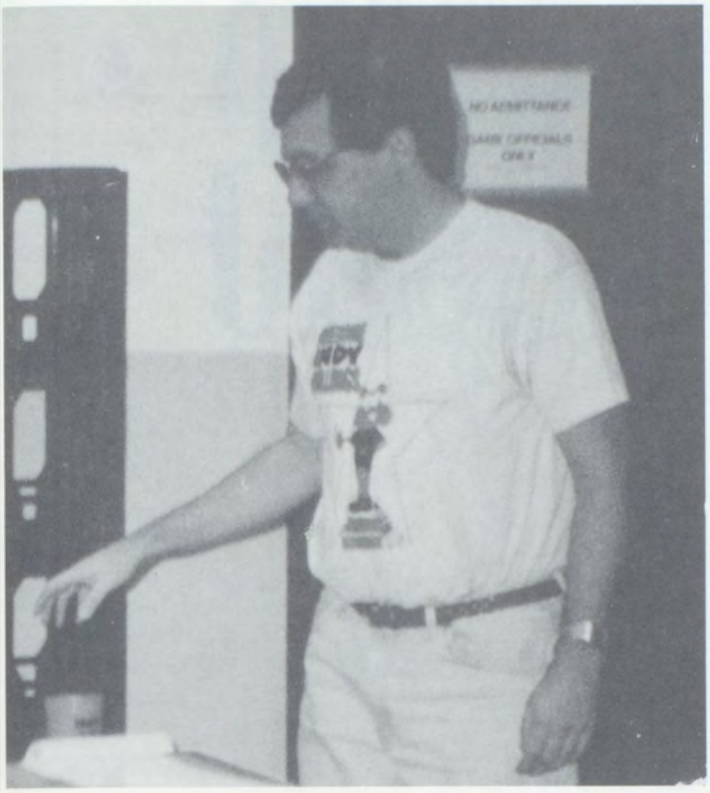


Photo by Aminta Radar

Above, Mr. Capes grabs something to drink at a basketball game. Possibly, Mr. Capes is wonderingwho ate the last piece of pizza and if any of his science class members took it.

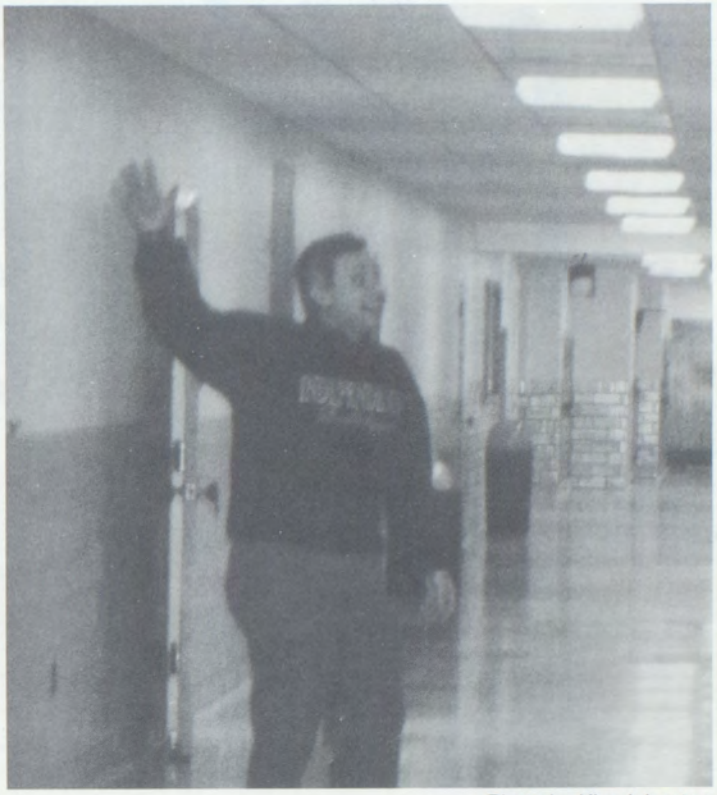


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Mr. Null waves to the camera as he tours the building where he does his coaching responsibility. He teaches a history class at the Middle School.

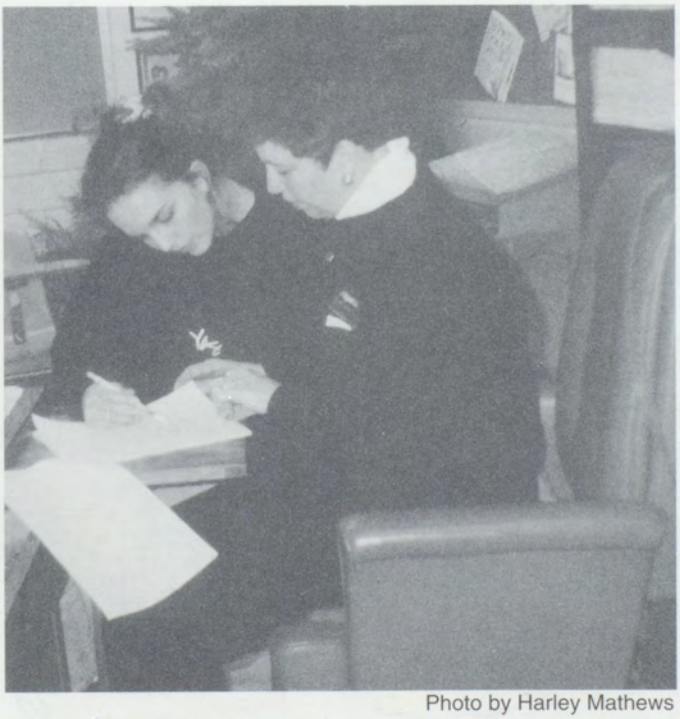


Photo by Harley Mathews

Ashley Sherwood receives some advice on an English paper from Mrs. Linda Spencer. The editing process is stressed in all English classes at IHS.



Photo by Harley Mathews

Another bomb threat? No, probably just a parent calling in asking about grades. Mrs. Teresa Sanborn spends her time answering the phone and serving as principal's secretary.

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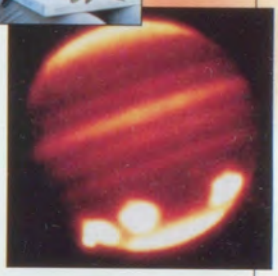






















world news

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Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein orders his troops to the border of oil-rich Kuwait. The U.S. sends 350 warplanes to the area to support the Kuwaiti forces. By October 11, Hussein orders the withdrawal of most of his forces.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin calls out his poorly trained military to subdue a rebellion in Chechnya, a southern republic the size of Connecticut. Critics accuse Yeltsin of resorting to totalitarian methods of the old communist Soviet regime to keep the shaky Russian Federation unified.

Europe's worst flood in this century kills at least 30 people across Europe. Inland floods caused by melting Alpine snow and relentless rains hit Belgium, France, Germany, and the Netherlands, whose famous dike system begins to crumble late in January 1995 in the face of rampaging rivers. Dutch authorities evacuate 250,000 people from the lowlands.

Camilla Parker Bowles, allegedly Prince Charles' mistress, announces her divorce from her husband, Andrew Parker Bowles. Princess Diana is said to be negotiating a divorce from Charles, who will be free to remarry without giving up the throne—unless unhappy subjects force a referendum on the monarchy.

More than 900 passengers die, 140 are rescued when the Estonia, a 15,500-ton Baltic ferry sinks off the coast of Finland in a violent nighttime storm. The storm's 30-foot waves swamp the ship which lists and sinks in a matter of minutes.



Reuters/Bettmann

Joyful residents of Belfast celebrate after the Irish Republican Army (IRA) announces an end to its military operations in Northern Ireland as of August 31. After 25 years of British military presence and over 3,000 killings, the IRA says it will now seek Irish union only through political channels.



AP/Wide World



Reuters/Bettmann

Tipper Gore, wife of U.S. Vice President Al Gore, visits Rwandan refugee camps in Zaire in July. Thousands of refugees, fleeing ethnic conflict in Rwanda, die of cholera, dysentery, and other infectious diseases. Fresh water supplied by the United States military greatly reduces the number of cholera deaths.

After a peasant uprising in Chiapas and two major political murders, Mexico gets a new president. Ernesto Zedillo, an economist, assumes office only to face a stockmarket crash, a ruined economy, and a loss of international confidence in the wake of the North American Free Trade Agreement.



Busquet-Sordo from Gamma/Liaison

Conservative religious groups and those who believe in individual rights clash over issues of education for women and family planning at the U.N. International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Egypt, September 5.

When their Army helicopter accidentally strays into North Korea in December, Chief Warrant Officers Bobby Wayne Hall and David Hilemon are shot down by the communists. Washington does not admit to espionage as the North Koreans want, but negotiates for survivor Bobby Hall's release by expressing its sincere regret over the intrusion.

Palestine Liberation Organization chairman Yasir Arafat returns to Palestine in July 1994 after 27 years of exile in Tunisia. Arafat kisses the ground in the Gaza Strip, now a Palestinian autonomous zone under the terms of a 1993 peace accord with Israel.



Maher Attar, Sygma

On July 25, U.S. President Bill Clinton welcomes King Hussein of Jordan, right, and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin to the White House, where the two sign a historic nonaggression pact that ends a 46-year state of belligerency between Israel and Jordan.



AP/Wide World



AP/Wide World

Millions of South Africans travel weary hours and wait in mile-long lines to vote in the first all-race elections. After more than a century of white rule, the voters choose former political prisoner Nelson Mandela to preside over the dismantling of apartheid.

Jimmy Carter, former U.S. president and self-styled global troubleshooter for peace, negotiates on behalf of the U.S. in Haiti, Bosnia, and North Korea. He even offers to help settle the baseball strike.





AP/Wide World

In Japan, an earthquake with a magnitude of 7.2 collapses buildings, derails trains, buckles elevated expressways, and causes fires throughout the city of Kobe. Over 5,000 people are killed and 26,000 injured. The Japan quake occurs January 17, 1995, one year to the day after a quake devastated Los Angeles.



Larry Downing, Sygma

U.S. President Bill Clinton, right, and British Prime Minister John Major take part in ceremonies in June 1994 at a military cemetery during the 50th anniversary commemoration of the Allied D-Day invasion of Europe, the event that sealed the fate of Nazi Germany during World War II.



India suffers an outbreak of pneumonic plague, carried by flea-infested vermin. Workers in Bombay earn five rupees for each exterminated rat; one thousand rat-tails earns a color TV.



Catherine Henriette, ICONE

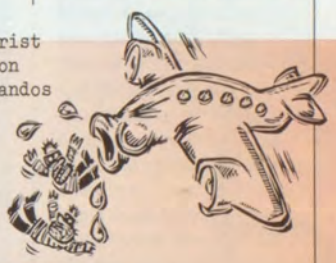
Chinese school children, dressed to look like Colonel Sanders, welcome the president of Kentucky Fried Chicken to Shanghai in May 1994. Few of the country's many foreign business ventures thrive, but KFC becomes a Chinese favorite. The finger-lickin' enterprise makes plans to expand its outlets from 28 to 200.

A triumphant Jean-Bertrand Aristide reclaims his position as president and restores democracy to Haiti with the help of U.S. troops. Haiti had suffered under the rule of a military junta led by General Raoul Cedras, who goes into exile after reaching an agreement with U.S. mediators.



Reuters/Bettmann

In one of the most successful antiterrorist operations in aviation history, French commandos storm an Air France jet-liner and kill four Algerian hijackers, freeing the plane's 173 passengers and crew.





Allan Tannenbaum, Sygma

Thousands of Cubans flee their economically depressed homeland, hoping for a better life in America. Many set off on homemade rafts and other small vessels only to be intercepted by the U.S. Coast Guard. The United States and Cuba reach an agreement in September that allows 20,000 Cuban immigrants to enter the United States each year.

national news

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In the wake of the 1994 Los Angeles earthquake and the southern California wildfires of 1993, California experiences more natural disasters in January 1995 when rainstorms cause flooding that kills 11 people and leaves 3,000 others homeless. Flooding is so high in Santa Barbara, fun-seeking teenagers dive off a freeway overpass into 15 feet of water. President Clinton declares 34 counties federal disaster areas.

In 1994, the U.S. registers a one-year population growth of 2.7 million. One-third of the increase is due to immigration, the largest such influx since 1914.

Author and humanities professor, Ralph Ellison, dies at age 80. His 1952 novel, *Invisible Man*, has been called the most powerful novel written about alienation, identity, and racism in America.

A huge increase in killings by 14- to 24-year-olds raises the nation's homicide rate, while violence blamed on preteens rocks communities nationwide. A boy, 13, is sentenced to life for strangling a four-year-old. In Chicago, an 11-year-old boy kills a 14-year-old girl and is then executed by his own gang. In Washington state a pair of 12-year-olds shoot a migrant worker.

The death of Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis in May 1994 marks the end of an era, a time when America was prosperous, fighting for civil rights, and heading for the moon. The former first lady is buried next to her husband, President John F. Kennedy, in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D.C.



Sygma



Jeffrey Markowitz, Sygma



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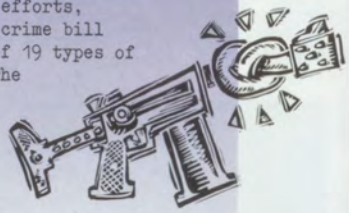
The prosecution seeks the death penalty in the case of Susan Smith, who dupes the nation with a frightening tale of the abduction of her two little boys. The community's early support grows quickly to hatred when Smith confesses to murder—she sent her children to their deaths at the bottom of a lake.

Called the Republican revolution, November mid-term elections put the Republican party and its anti-big government platform in control of Congress for the first time in 40 years. Georgia's Newt Gingrich, author of the GOP's "Contract with America," is the new Speaker of the House.



The volunteers for Silent March bring shoes from every state for one of the quietest demonstrations to ever take place in Washington, D.C. Each empty pair of shoes represents one of the more than 40,000 Americans who have been killed by handguns.

Despite powerful National Rifle Association lobby efforts, Congress passes a crime bill banning the sale of 19 types of assault weapons. The Brady Law goes into effect; in one month 23,610 people with criminal records are denied the purchase of a handgun.



Heat, drought, and lightning combine to set Western states ablaze in late June and July. Fires consume 2,000 acres in Colorado's South Canyon when 50 mile-an-hour winds whip the flames into a firestorm, killing 14 specially trained firefighters; 10 men and four women.



AP/Wide World



George Grabet, Gamma/Liaison

The 37th U.S. President, Richard Nixon, dies in April 1994. Nixon was responsible for restoring normal ties with the People's Republic of China following the signing of the Shanghai Communique in 1972.



Rick Phillips, *The Janesville Gazette*

A rare white buffalo named Miracle draws crowds to the humble Wisconsin farm where it was born August 20. Native Americans believe the calf is the fulfillment of a Lakota Sioux prophecy. Five hundred years ago, White Buffalo Woman told her people that she would return as a white calf to usher in a new age of harmony between all races of mankind.



The U.S. Food and Drug Administration blasts the tobacco company executives at a congressional hearing in March 1994 for denying that nicotine, a drug found in cigarette smoke, is addictive. Tobacco industry workers fear losing their jobs if the FDA succeeds in classifying and restricting cigarettes as a drug.



Weiner, Gamma/Liaison

The Flint River overflows, washing coffins out of a Georgia cemetery after torrential rains from tropical storm Alberto flood Georgia and the Florida-Alabama panhandle. Thirty-two people die, 40,000 are temporarily homeless, and 10,000 square miles are underwater, causing $100 million in crop damage.



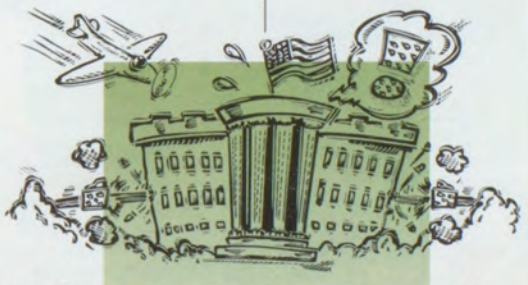
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President Clinton, with Republican leader Bob Dole, signs legislation implementing the U.S. role in an expanded General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT), one of the most sweeping trade liberalization pacts in history. The legislation makes the U.S. a member of a new 125-member World Trade Organization. Protectionists worry that GATT may promote world trade but won't sufficiently protect American jobs.



Tod Bigalow, Black Star

Former football star O.J. Simpson is charged with the June 12th stabbing death of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman, causing a non-stop media avalanche. The sensational case familiarized watchers with spouse abuse, a televised ride in a white Ford Bronco, "Kato" Kaelin, and DNA testing. Simpson faces the jury in January.



The Secret Service considers restricting public access to the White House after a gunman fires 27 rounds at the building's facade in October. In September, a small Cessna airplane crashes on the South Lawn and comes to rest at the base of the White House below President Clinton's bedroom, killing the pilot.

science news

flash

The U.S. Interior Department moves the bald eagle from its endangered species list to the less critical "threatened" category. The Pacific Northwest's spotted owl is left to fend for itself when in June a federal judge lifts the 1991 injunction that halted logging in the owl's habitat.

The fossil of a previously unknown dinosaur, the 25-foot-long Cryolophosaurus ellioti, is found in Antarctica.

Despite a so-called fitness craze, the National Center for Health Statistics confirms the American overabundance of food combined with a sedentary lifestyle is creating an epidemic of obesity. Since 1980, the number of overweight adults has ballooned to one-third of the population, with an alarming increase among children.

Some of the 599 newly revealed secret ingredients major cigarette-makers add to improve taste and texture: beeswax, butter, carrot oil, citronella oil, cocoa shells, corn silk, dandelion root extract, 31 chemicals that start with ethyl, oak chip oil, vinegar, and dimethyltetrahydrobenzofuranone.

Three planets are discovered orbiting a pulsar star 3,000 light-years away in the constellation Virgo. One is the size of the moon and two are three times more massive than Earth; all are rocky worlds without an atmosphere.



NASA

NASA's space shuttle mission 64 tests the operations of a Simplified Aid For Extravehicular Activity Rescue (SAFAR) device. Crew member Mark Lee maneuvers successfully outside the Discovery, while Carl Meade photographs him against the background of Earth.



UPI/Bettmann

The century's greatest chemist and antinuclear activist, Linus C. Pauling, winner of the Nobel Prize for Chemistry in 1954 and the Nobel Peace Prize in 1962, dies at the age of 93. His work on DNA laid the foundation for Crick and Watson's discovery of the double helix.



Institute of Human Origins

In Ethiopia, anthropologists discover the skull of a human ancestor, Australopithecus ramidus, 4.4 million years old. The new species has features midway between apes and humans and promises to provide clues to still earlier evolutionary stages.



Autostereograms, popularly known as Magic Eye, cause legions of people to stare cross-eyed for long periods of time. Based on a mystery of neurology and 3-D objects, pattern elements fuse into left-eye and right-eye images of a single hidden object which appears to be floating.

Martin Rodbell and Alfred Gilman are awarded the 1994 Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine for developing a model of cell communication that has medical implications from cholera to cancer.



The Food and Drug Administration institutes new food labeling on almost all foods in response to consumer protest against the many misleading claims of food producers. The new readable labels provide realistic serving sizes, list calories from fat, and allow you to compare different nutrient values.



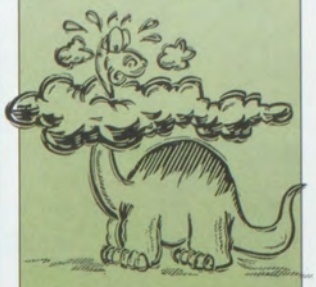


Japan's "Love Love Simulation" computer program allows couples to take a non-scientific look at future offspring by digitally combining their own photos to predict a child's appearance.

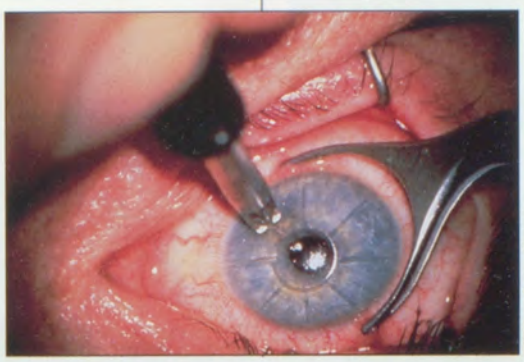


Max-Planck-Institute für Astronomie, Heidelberg, Germany

Astronomers wait at every major telescope in the world to see the historic cosmic crack-up of the 21 big fragments of Comet Shoemaker-Levy 9 as it smacks into the atmosphere of Jupiter at 134,000 miles an hour. Plumes of fire shoot up hundreds of miles, high enough to become visible to telescopes on Earth.

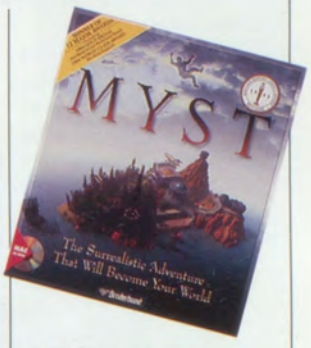


NASA publishes a new report supporting the theory that a giant comet hit Earth 65 million years ago and vaporized 100 billion tons of sulphur to create the cloud barrier that froze Earth's atmosphere and killed the dinosaurs.



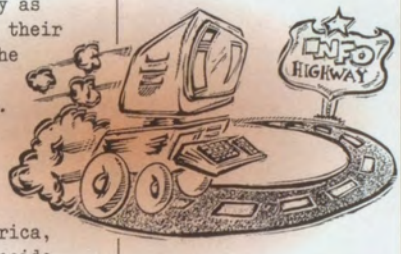
BSIP from Custom Medical

A long-term study of radial keratotomy finds it generally safe and effective. For the nearsighted, tiny spokelike incisions into the eye improve focusing ability and eliminate the need for eyeglasses. The patient is awake for the procedure.



The non-violent CD-ROM game Myst by Cyan, Inc. becomes a best-selling phenomenon, winning legions of devoted fans and spawning imitators. The fantasy-adventure's graphic visuals are hyper-real; the written word is the key to the mystery.

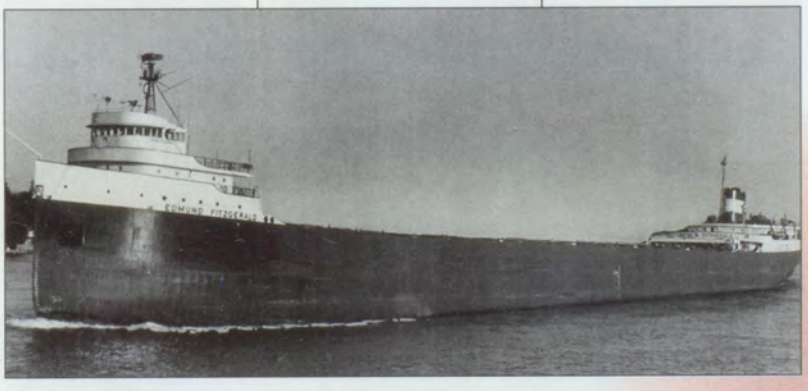
Internet activity rises sharply as surfers find their way around the information superhighway. Advertisers, rock music reviewers, the worldly Voice of America, and others decide it's time to jump on.





Jean Clottes, Ministre de la Culture from Sygma

A cave is found in southern France, full of 300 vivid paintings of woolly-haired rhinos, bears, mammoths, panthers, and owls made about 20,000 years ago. The Stone Age artists also left behind bear skulls, flint knives, footprints, and fireplaces. Experts call it the archaeological find of the century.



UPI/Bettmann

One of Lake Superior's enduring mysteries is solved by scientists and marine historians who explore the wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald, an ore carrier that sank with its crew in a 1975 storm. The ship, overused and in poor condition, was ripped apart by 90-mph winds and 30-foot waves. Most of the 29 crewmen are entombed inside the wreckage, well preserved in the 39° waters.



Gerard Lacz, Animals/Animals

Cutbacks in military spending force the U.S. Navy to reduce its elite 100-dolphin fleet trained for use in sonar research, mine sweeping, and underwater recovery. Too tame to be released in the open sea, the veterans of conflicts from Vietnam to the Persian Gulf retire to aquariums and water parks.

lifestyle news

flash

The most popular names for newborns this year are Ashley and Michael.

Young people serve their country by volunteering under a new program called AmeriCorps, where 20,000 people aged 17 and up work with community-based organizations in exchange for $7,500 plus money toward college tuition or loans.

One percent of the nation's 50 million school-age children learn at home as families seek alternatives to public schools. In a handful of high-tech experiments, kids submit homework by modem, download books and artwork from the Internet, and collaborate on academic projects with other children around the world.

A survey of college kids reveals their favorite sources of sugar and caffeine during all-night studying to be: powdered iced tea, peanut butter mixed with marshmallow cream, baby food, ramen noodles, raw cookie dough, and trail mix made from chocolate chips, graham cracker bits, and mini-marshmallows.



© James D. Wilson/Gamma/Liaison

A lively new cafe society centers around the 5,000 gourmet coffeeshops which spring up around the country. To the often young and trendy patrons, the social interaction is just as important as the espresso. Some cafes offer full-time Internet links so patrons can sip and chat with other Internet latte-drinkers.





Besides recycled clothing like license-plate bustiers, bottle-cap jewelry, trash-bag and duct-tape dresses, fashion trends include the schoolgirl look with thigh-highs, and the grunge-turned-beatnik look of long, straight hair and a goatee.

A new survey shows that over 12 million Americans are vegetarians, choosing the no-meat lifestyle because of concern about animal cruelty, cost-efficiency, eco-friendliness and/or improved health and fitness.



Yoga, a Hindu system of stretching exercises for well-being, surges in popularity, mostly because the older generation seeks a technique for alleviating stress and finds yoga better than aerobics.



Cotta, Gamma/Liaison

Aerobic boxing, with boxing-style leg and arm work, turns out to be one of the year's hot exercise trends, showing up in workout studios and attracting those who want to work off their aggression by throwing a right and a few jabs.



The hottest merchandise around is Mighty Morphin Power Rangers, so hot Cabbage Patch dolls pale in comparison. Parents criticize Fox's super-violent TV show, but their kids crave Dragon Daggers, Megazords, and the 4-foot, $230 battery powered car. "Go, go, Power Rangers!"



A hot new collectible derives from an old household item. Milk caps, known in some regions as pogs, originally capped the bottles left by the milkman but have now gone funky with colorful printed designs and variations that are traded and used in games.



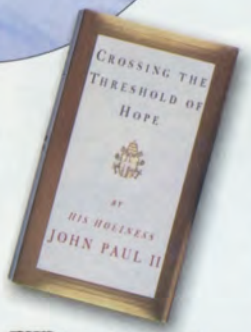
Although most are forced to settle for Oakley wrap-arounds, stylin' kids, like in-line skaters and urban youth, clamor for Arnet's $80 Ravens with the silver-chrome frames.

Led by brash young skate and surf types, two million snowboarders nationwide discover the joom of swooping down slopes on one board instead of two. No hard boots, no poles, no crossed tips, make it easier than skiing. Since their giant frozen wave is a ski hill, snowboarders annoy old-style skiers who want their slopes left undisturbed by shredders.



Nathan Bilow/Allsport

The first generation to ignore colas in favor of fruit drinks, today's young people give Snapple popular cult status. The trend breeds juice wars as Snapple imitators like Fruitopia vie for youth market shares and inundate the airwaves with Generation X-type advertising.



Pope John Paul II authors *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, a blend of theology, evangelizing and personal remininiscene. It becomes a best-seller in 35 countries.





Jacques Chenet, Gamma/Liaison

Remaining a virgin in the face of peer pressure finds new respect among teens who defend their freedom to forgo sex in a sex-crazy world. The movement is both a demand for real love and a reaction against unwanted pregnancy and health risks, since today one out of four kids are infected with sexually transmitted diseases by the age of 21.



Will and Deni McIntyre/Photo Researchers

Kool-Aid makes a cheap hair-dye, an alternative to bleached hair with, say, Prizm Blue added for sheen. The "city fade" shaves the sides of your head and leaves the top longer, and the matted hair look is achieved by leaving the soap in and forgetting to comb.

It's called "the year of the cottage industry" as more Americans adopt different work arrangements in response to corporate downsizing, either by telecommuting or starting businesses out of their homes.





Reed Williams, Animals/Animals

The designer pets of the year are African pigmy hedgehogs, and some 3,000 find homes with humans. They are gentle, like to be petted, and need a once-a-day feeding of pet food or mealworms. They don't smell and will even eat your roaches.

entertainment news

flash

John Travolta and Samuel L. Jackson star in *Pulp Fiction*, an "extravagantly demented low-life lalapalooza with outlandish twists." The film's plot revolves around a watch, a briefcase, and a large syringe in a darkly humorous scene which reportedly causes a few audience members with needle-phobia to fall out of their seats in revulsion.

John Candy, the large and lovable star of films *Splash, Cool Runnings, Home Alone,* and many other family favorites, dies at the age of 43. Whether Candy played jerks, slobs or loonies, his natural goodness came shining through.



Gamma/Liaison

"Life is like a box of chocolates," says its title character. *Forrest Gump*, starring Tom Hanks, surprises everyone with its popularity, attributed to the audiences' thirst for the film's theme of simple values and good intentions. Fascinating special effects place Gump into real news footage with U.S. presidents.

With a tried-but-true storyline, the TV show "Me and the Boys," becomes an immediate family favorite, with stand-up comic Steve Harvey playing a widower who's left to raise three lively sons singlehandedly.



ABC from Shooting Star

Reality-based television programs rule the tube with "Cops," "American Detective," "FBI: The Untold Stories," "Top Cops," and "Rescue 911." "America's Most Wanted" and "Unsolved Mysteries" enlist viewers' help in tracking down fugitives.





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Every Tuesday night 20 million homes tune in to "Home Improvement," television's No. 1 show, starring comedian Tim Allen as Tim Taylor, the how-to host of "Tool Time," with his wife Jill and three kids. Fans love this funny real-life reflection of middle-class family life.



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Comedian Jim Carrey's career is s-s-smokin'. In *The Mask*, Carrey plays shy Stanley Ipkiss, who discovers that a mythical mask can turn him into a very cool green-faced cartoon-like dude. While waiting for sequels to *The Mask* and *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*, Carrey fans enjoy current hit *Dumb and Dumber*.



Diego Uchitel, Shooting Star

Shameless prime-time soap opera "Melrose Place," co-starring Heather Locklear and Grant Show, attracts legions of fans with its silly-sensational plotlines and shallow-but-beautiful characters. Fans even buy the TV show's soundtrack and "MP" clothing.



Geffen Pictures from Shooting Star

Tom Cruise bites as the elegantly evil vampire Lestat in the film based on Anne Rice's novel *Interview With the Vampire*. Brad Pitt costars in the story that's been a favorite with millions of readers for twenty years.



Steve Granitz, Retna

Comic Margaret Cho stars in the first all-Asian sitcom "All-American Girl," about a college girl who's not making enough money to move away from home and has to live with her rigidly traditional Korean immigrant parents.



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The animals aren't cuddly, but Disney's 32nd animated feature *The Lion King* is still a box-office smash and a sure classic. The story of a young lion, Simba, on the path to maturity combines five Tim Rice/Elton John songs with comedy that leaves audiences roaring. Just say "Hakuna matata," Swahili for "no worries."



Fox from Shooting Star

"Living Single" is hailed as a New York City version of "Designing Women." The comedy is about four women who share a big apartment, and features Kim Fields and rap star Queen Latifah, whose quiet presence and dignity singles her out as a star.



Capital Cities/ABC from Shooting Star

Talented young Claire Danes stars as a savvy 15-year-old confronting adolescent anxieties in the ABC television series "My So-Called Life," which receives critical acclaim. Danes also stars in the movie *Little Women*, with Winona Ryder.



Katz, Gamma/Liaison

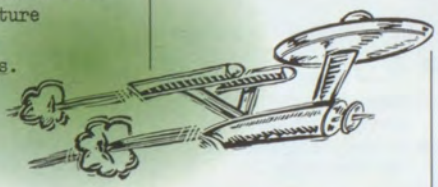
This year's Emmy for best comedy series goes to TV's "Frasier," the story of a radio psychiatrist with a dysfunctional family. Star of the critical and main-stream hit, Kelsey Grammer dedicates his best-actor award to the dog "Eddie" whose off-screen name is Moose.



Gamma/Liaison

After his villain in Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing* and his title role in Bertolucci's *Little Buddha*, actor Keanu Reeves buffs up to play an action star in *Speed*, about a bomb and a runaway bus, one of the year's biggest box office hits.

With the first female starship captain, TV's "Star Trek: Voyager" is the newest offshoot of the enduring Star Trek phenomenon, after "Deep Space Nine," "The Next Generation," and this year's full-length feature Star Trek: Generations.



Lou Gehrig's last day, Sandy Koufax on the mound, and Jackie Robinson's arrival are all part of the Ken Burns film "Baseball," an 18 1/2-hour historical mini-series on PBS. "Baseball" touches on American issues of race, labor, immigration, the role of women, urban renewal, popular media, and the nature of heroes and mythology.



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Gamma/Liaison

Although his action fans may prefer *True Lies*, Arnold Schwarzenegger, with co-star Danny DeVito, cracks up audiences in *Junior*, where the strongman plays a boringly-serious scientist who tests a fertility drug on himself, learns the joys of motherhood, and falls in love with the baby's mom, Emma Thompson.



Barry King, Gamma/Liaison

"Baywatch," the world's most-watched syndicated TV show, is a feel-good action/adventure about a Malibu lifeguard, played by David Hasselhoff. Sunny beach scenes take the pressure off plot or character development. In tribute to its popularity, Mattel, Inc. creates Baywatch Barbie.



Fine Line from Shooting Star

Hoop Dreams is a documentary about two young Chicago athletes who dream of playing in the NBA. Arthur Agee and William Gates soon realize the dream will have to come at the expense of everything else. *Hoop Dreams* offers as much drama, excitement, and emotional ups and downs as anything to come out of Hollywood.

music news

flash

After their Woodstock '94 performance scores them mass adulation and an onstage mudfight, punk-pop trio Green Day wins the title for this year's best new band. Their album *Dookie*, featuring "Basket Case," goes triple platinum.

LPs make a comeback when major recording labels give in to pressure from artists and fans. New titles are released on vinyl, as well as CDs and tapes. Pronounced dead in the '80s, the revived 12-inch long-plays come complete with the art-covered sleeves and lyric-sheet inserts that make them collector's items.

Liz Phair follows up *Exile in Guyville* with *Whip-smart* and songs like "Super Nova" and "Jealousy." Her music is said to be about self-parody, defensiveness, beautiful flaws, and cluelessness.

Futuristic noise mavens Nine Inch Nails and singer Trent Reznor drive home a point with their "Closer" single and hit video, from their album *The Downward Spiral*.

Mosh pit heroes Bad Religion get plenty of play with "21st Century Boy" and their album *Stranger Than Fiction*.

Beastie Boys release their fourth hip-hop album *Ill Communication* on the heels of their highly popular *Check Your Head*.

Superunknown, a 70-minute, 15-song opus, debutes at No.1 on the *Billboard* charts. Fans and critics say it's the best record of metal band Soundgarden's career.



Brooks Kraft, Sygma

Music, moshing, and lots of mud define Woodstock '94. The 25th anniversary of the original 1969 "summer of love" has ATMs, Pepsi, and '90s prices: $135 tickets and $4 hamburgers. After happily grooving to everything from Bob Dylan to Nine Inch Nails, 350,000 fans depart peacefully.



Scott Weiner, Retna

Pop-siren Janet Jackson's body language and lyrics draw large concert crowds to see her perform hits like "You Want This/70's Love Groove." Jackson wins an MTV Music Award for her video "If."



John Alashian, Retna

Singer Sheryl Crow hits paydirt with her debut album, *Tuesday Night Music Club* with the seedy-but-upbeat sounds of "Leaving Las Vegas" and "All I Want to Do."



Jim Graham, LGI

They dress alike and rule Motown. It seems like Boyz II Men only makes mega-hits, like "On Bended Knee" and "I'll Make Love to You." Their second album, *II*, goes straight to No. 1 on the R&B charts.

With quirky lyrics and bass-voiced singing on hits like "Mmm, Mmm, Mmm, Mmm," the Crash Test Dummies' album, *God Shuffled His Feet*, becomes a chart-topper in the U.S. and Europe.



Fotex from Shooting Star

Singer Vince Gill makes country music history by winning the Country Music Association's award for top male vocalist four years in a row. The CMA also awards him 1994 Entertainer of the Year.



Although Madonna's bad-mannered appearance on Letterman begets criticism, her album Bedtime Stories, with hits "Take a Bow" and "Secret," is a solid chart-topper.



Jim Graham, LGI

Jodeci, two pairs of brothers whose funky ballads coined the term "Feenin'," bring gospel harmonies to their new album *Diary of a Mad Band*, which goes platinum.



Eddie Malluk, Retna

Seattle rock band Pearl Jam and front man Eddie Vedder give youthful angst a good name as they rock hard with their third album, *Vitalogy*, considered their strongest yet.



S. Nannarello, Shooting Star



Marc Morrison, Shooting Star

Nominated for best female vocalist, country singer Mary Chapin Carpenter croons at the Country Music Awards ceremony, but loses to Pam Tillis. Carpenter's album *Stones in the Road* tops the country charts.



Jay Blakesberg, Retna

It's a year of hits for buzz band, Gin Blossoms. Their top-selling album *New Miserable Experience*, covers "Hey Jealousy," "Found Out About You," and "Until I Fall Away."



David Corio, Retna

Hailed as the crown prince of reggae, Buju Banton's album, *Buju Banton: Voice of Jamaica*, pumps the party with "Walk Like a Champion" and "Man a Look Yuh."

EMI Records releases Live at the BBC a two-disc set of radio concerts recorded by the Beatles in the early '60s. "Free as a Bird," an original unfinished track by the late John Lennon, is finished, mixed with the live voices of Paul, George, and Ringo, and included in the set.





Ronnie Wright, LGI

Dismissed as kiddie artists, three 12-year-old rappers who go by the name of Immature, get a new sound. Album *Playtime Is Over* and hits "Never Lie" and "Constantly" pump them up to stardom.



Katie Ladyko, Shooting Star

Hit single "Cryin'" wins MTV's Video of the Year award for singer Steven Tyler and metal band Aerosmith, who ride a wave of success and release their new album *Big Ones*.

The rock-spectacle Rolling Stones tour, named after their album *Voodoo Lounge*, combines a light show, computer animation, video blowups, and gigantic inflatable props. Millions watch the Stones prance through their classic and current hits like "Love Is Strong." Voodoo Lounge becomes the highest grossing tour in history with $115 million in ticket sales.



Scott Weiner, Retna

The Canadian band Cowboy Junkies, whose big hit this year is "Sweet James," sings of isolation and despair on their latest album *Pale Sun/Crescent Moon*.



Deniz Kalkavan, Retna

Powered to the top with their pure pop sound, Swedish quartet Ace of Base tops the charts with *The Sign*. Their sound is a contagious blend of reggae-splashed pop known as "China Reggae."

J Mascis emerges as a prolific and versatile songwriter for the punk-rock band Dinosaur Jr. with "Outta Hand" and major hit "Feel the Pain," both on their latest album *Without a Sound*.



Larry Busacca, Retna



Tommy Calder, Shooting Star

The Benedictine Monks of Santo Domingo de Silos release their CD, Chant. Heavy rotation on MTV turns the collection of ancient Gregorian chants into an unexpected best-seller.





Niels Van Iperen, Retna

Irish rock foursome, the Cranberries, tour the United States playing the sad, pretty melodies from their second hit album, *No Need to Argue*.



Jeffrey Scales, LGI

Rappers with a self-reliant attitude, Salt-N-Pepa keep their *Very Necessary* vibe going this year with hits "Shoop" and "Whatta Man" which wins them, along with En Vogue, an MTV Music Award.



Michael Benabib, Retna

Rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg's performance makes the movie soundtrack *Above the Rim* a best-seller. His video "It's a Doggy Dogg World," which reunites all the '70s black exploitation film stars, wins an MTV Music Award.

sports news

flash

Ranked No.1, the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers finish their unbeaten season by defeating the Miami Hurricanes to win the national title. Quarterback Tommie Frazier earns MVP honors by guiding the Huskers to two fourth-quarter touchdowns and a frenetic 24-17 victory.

She was a pro at 13, a millionaire at 14, and out of the game at 17. After getting booked on charges of marijuana possession, tennis star Jennifer Capriati enters a drug rehab program and makes a comeback in autumn where she plays well but loses her first-round match.

Former Wimbledon champ Andre Agassi wins the 1994 U.S. Open and beats champion Pete Sampras at the 1995 Australian Open. Called the most popular tennis player in the world, the tennis phenom has a new girlfriend, former model Brooke Shields.

The National Hockey League plays only 48 of the 82 games in the season this year due to a lockout. Following baseball's example, hockey owners put salary caps on their players, who strike but lose out to the owner's rule.

Track and field star Wilma Rudolph dies at the age of 54. The 20th of 22 children, she overcame polio, scarlet fever, and pneumonia to become a basketball star at 13, an Olympic bronze medalist at 16, and a winner of three gold medals in the 1960 Rome Olympics.



Allsport

Whenever the Magic, led by 7'1" 300-pound Shaquille O'Neal, score 110 points, the Orlando McDonald's restaurants redeem home game tickets for a free Big Mac. With the team selling out all 16,000 seats, the Golden Arches supply a massive Mac attack, consoling fans for the lack of a playoff victory.



Allsport

Pete Sampras defeats Gorn Ivanisevic in the men's singles final at Wimbledon in July 1994, for his second straight Wimbledon title. In January, pressure of defending the title causes him to break down in tears at the 1995 Australian Open.



Allsport

Having already announced her retirement from singles tennis, nine-time Wimbledon champion Martina Navratilova waves good-bye to an emotional crowd, after losing to Conchita Martinez in her last Wimbledon match.



Focus on Sports

Pitchman George Foreman, 45, wearing the same red trunks he sported when he fought Muhammad Ali 20 years earlier, wins the world's heavyweight boxing title from Michael Moorer with a 10th round knockout.

The high rate of early burnout in women's pro tennis from media pressure, trainers, and sponsors causes the parents of Venus Williams, 14, to delay her pro debut.





Reuters/Bettmann

In July, Miguel Indurain of Spain makes a triumphant entry on the Champs Elysées in Paris to win the Tour de France for the fourth straight time. He wins the 3-week, 3,218 km contest easily, finishing five minutes, 39 seconds ahead of the field. Greg LeMond, the only American to win the Tour de France three times, retires from racing because of health problems.



Mike Powell/Allsport

On June 14, the New York Rangers defeat the Vancouver Canucks 3 to 2 in the seventh game of the Stanley Cup play-offs, winning the coveted hockey cup for the first time in 54 years.



Strong, Gamma/Laison

Tonya Harding, barred for life from organized skating for obstructing justice in the investigation of an assault on Nancy Kerrigan, is offered $2 million by the All Japan Women's Pro Wrestling Association to wrestle as a baddie.



In Super Bowl XXIX in Miami, the San Francisco 49ers beat the San Diego Chargers 49-26, in their record-breaking fifth Super Bowl win. Quarterback Steve Young passes for a record six touchdowns to win most valuable player.



Paschal Rondeau/Allsport

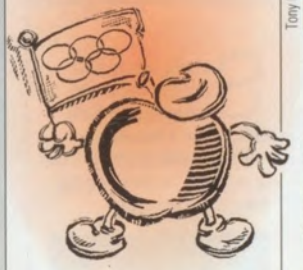
After 52 wins, four PPG Cup titles, and $10 million in earnings, Indycar champion Mario Andretti races for the final time in his 31-year career. The four-time Indianapolis 500 champion retires in October 1994.

The Centennial Olympics will be in Atlanta, Georgia in 1996. The city will emphasize its multicultural aspects to honor athletes from around the world.



Tony Duffy/Allsport

Dara Torres-Gowen becomes the first Olympic swimmer to model swimsuits in the *Sports Illustrated* annual swimsuit issue. Gold-medalist Torres-Gowen's sporty looks break the "waifs and glamazons" mold dictated by fashion.





Chris Cole/Allsport

Basketball star Sheryl Swoopes leads the U.S. women's basketball team to a gold medal at the Goodwill Games in Russia. Earlier she led Texas Tech to an NCAA title and signed an endorsement deal with Nike.



Ernie Els wins the 1994 U.S. Open golf tournament in sudden-death playoff. The U.S. women's golf team, led by Dottie Mochrie, beats Europe for the 1994 Solheim Cup.



AP/Wide World

Fans are openly angry when a dispute between players and team owners over salary caps and other issues threatens to shut down baseball. A work stoppage begins on August 12, and no World Series is played for the first time since 1904.



AP/Wide World

World Cup soccer comes to the U.S. for the first time: 24 teams play 52 World Cup games in nine cities to 3,567,415 fans, culminating in a title match between Brazil and Italy. Earlier the U.S. upset Colombia, but lost to the Brazilian team, who went on to win the cup.

faces in the news

flash

Supreme Court Justice Harry Blackmun, 85, who wrote the majority opinion in Roe v. Wade, the landmark 1973 case that guaranteed a woman's legal right to abortion, announces his retirement from the court after 24 years.

The Charles and Diana fairy-tale-turned-sordid-soap continues: A German newspaper prints nude photos of Prince Charles; he publishes a confession saying he never loved his wife. Princess Diana is suspected of making crank phone calls; an old friend who claims to be her ex-lover hawks a trashy kiss-and-tell book.

Tabitha the cat spends 12 days and 32,000 miles in the fuselage of a Tower Air 747 jet when she escapes her cat carrier and gets lost in the cargo hold. Tabitha makes television appearances after her rescue with her aspiring-actress owner. Tabitha lost two pounds during the ordeal, her owner lost six.

The Florida judge would not allow Paul Hill to use justifiable homicide as a defense in the shootings of Dr. John Britton and his bodyguard outside a Pensacola abortion clinic. Hill is found guilty of murder in the first degree.

Anna Paquin, 11, wins an Academy Award for her performance in *The Piano*. Says actor Gene Hackman, "I guess now you'll have no trouble getting cast in your school play."



Reuters/Bettmann

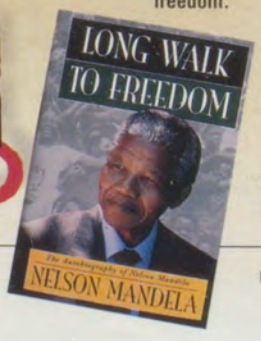
Ronald Reagan, 83, announces he is in the early stages of Alzheimer's disease, which will cause him to rely increasingly on wife Nancy. Doctors say the easy-going ex-president should be able to function normally for several more years.

Despite hurled obscenities and death threats, Shannon Faulkner, 19, battles the all-male Citadel for the right to become the first female cadet in the 152-year history of the state-supported South Carolina military school.



Reuters/Bettmann

Nelson Mandela, an international hero who won the Nobel Peace Prize, writes his story. *Long Walk to Freedom: The Autobiography of Nelson Mandela* covers the author's 27 years as a political prisoner, his release, and black Africans struggle for freedom.



Sending a worthy message to pageant-watchers, Heather Whitestone, a deaf Alabama college junior who works with handicapped kids, is crowned 1994 Miss America by her predecessor Kimberly Aiken.



Reuters/Bettmann

In Singapore, American teenager Michael Fay is convicted of vandalism and publicly caned four times by a martial arts master, despite pleas from his family and President Clinton.



Reuters/Bettmann

Cartoonist Gary Larson announces that he will retire *The Far Side*, a feature that began in 1978 and has appeared in 1,500 newspapers.



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Jonathan Daniel/Allsport

Applying his new fame to good works, actor Antonio Banderas, of *Philadelphia* and *Interview With the Vampire*, spends a week on a goodwill mission helping UNICEF draw attention to wartorn Somalia.



Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Former basketball superstar Michael Jordan improves his game for the Arizona Scottsdale Scorpions, a minor-league baseball team. He still has no plans to return to the hoops.

In about the most surprising event of the year, Michael Jackson weds Elvis' daughter, Lisa Marie Presley in a secret ceremony, May 1994. Journalists wonder if the union isn't a business arrangement or an attempt to polish Michael's public image, tarnished by claims of child molestation.



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Scruffy movie idol Johnny Depp and wispy model Kate Moss have a headline-making lovers quarrel. Depp is arrested for trashing the couple's hotel room.



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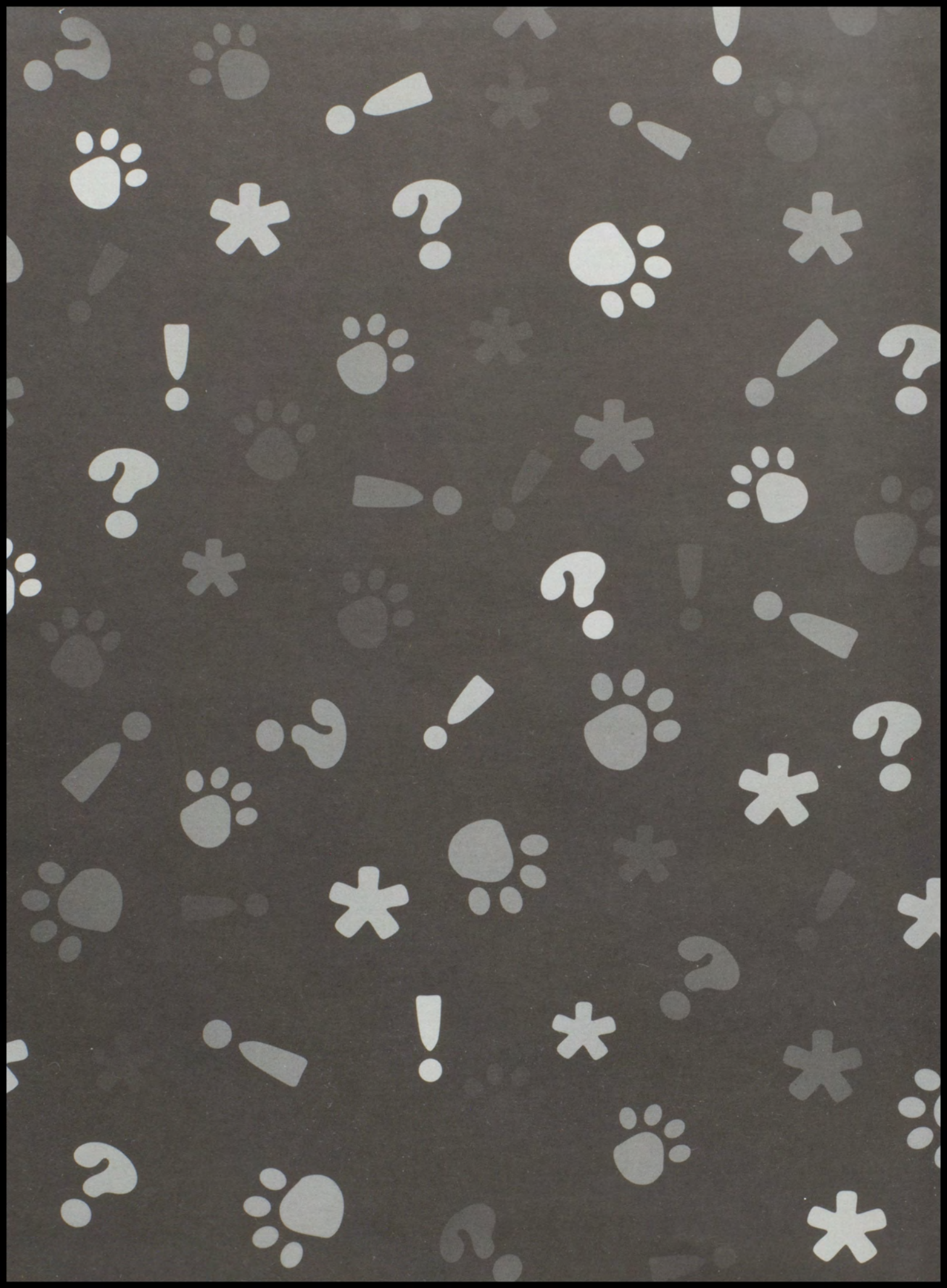
Model Cindy Crawford and actor Richard Gere, dubbed the world's sexiest couple, announce their separation. Hollywood books Crawford for her first movie.



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