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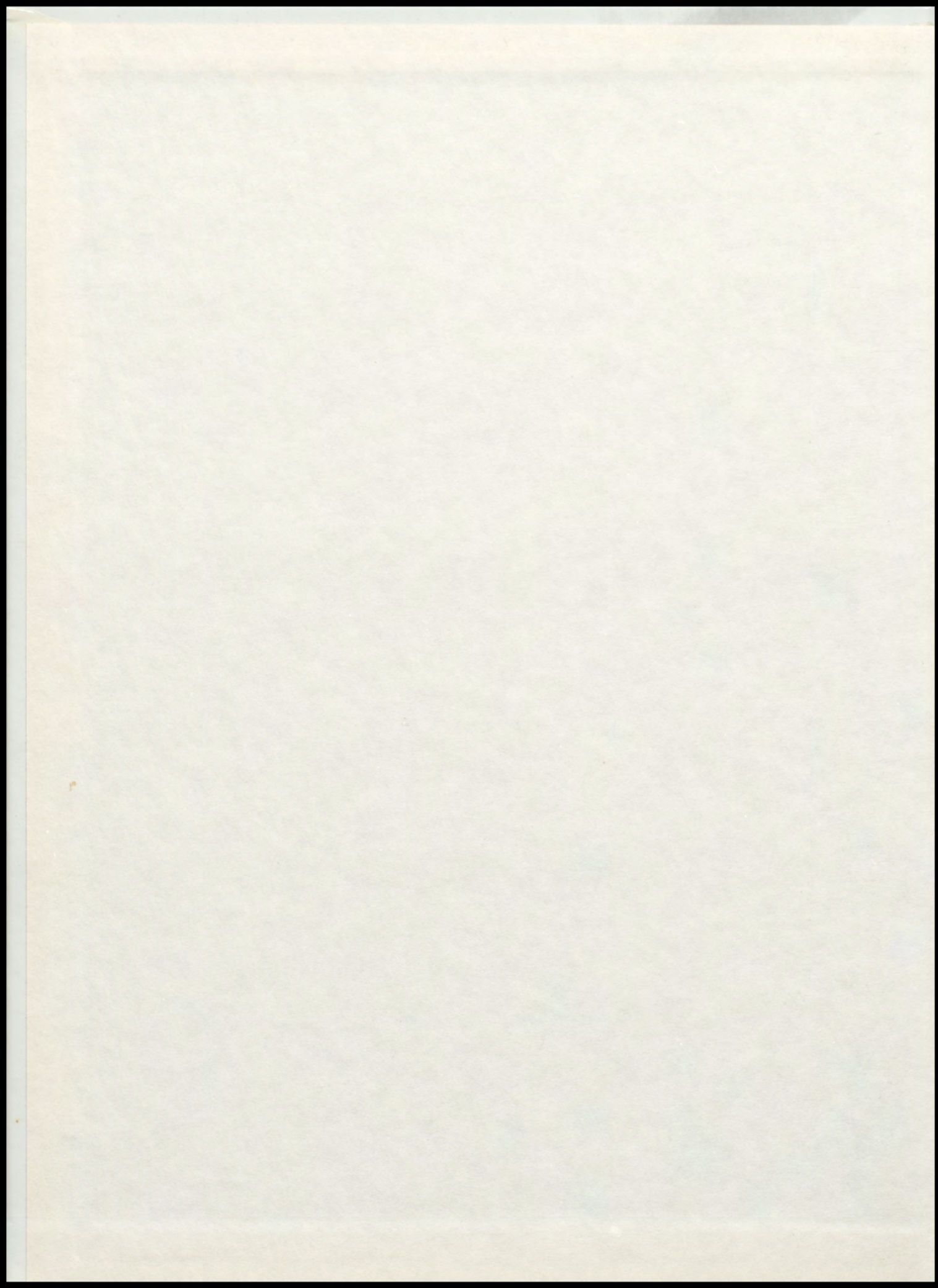
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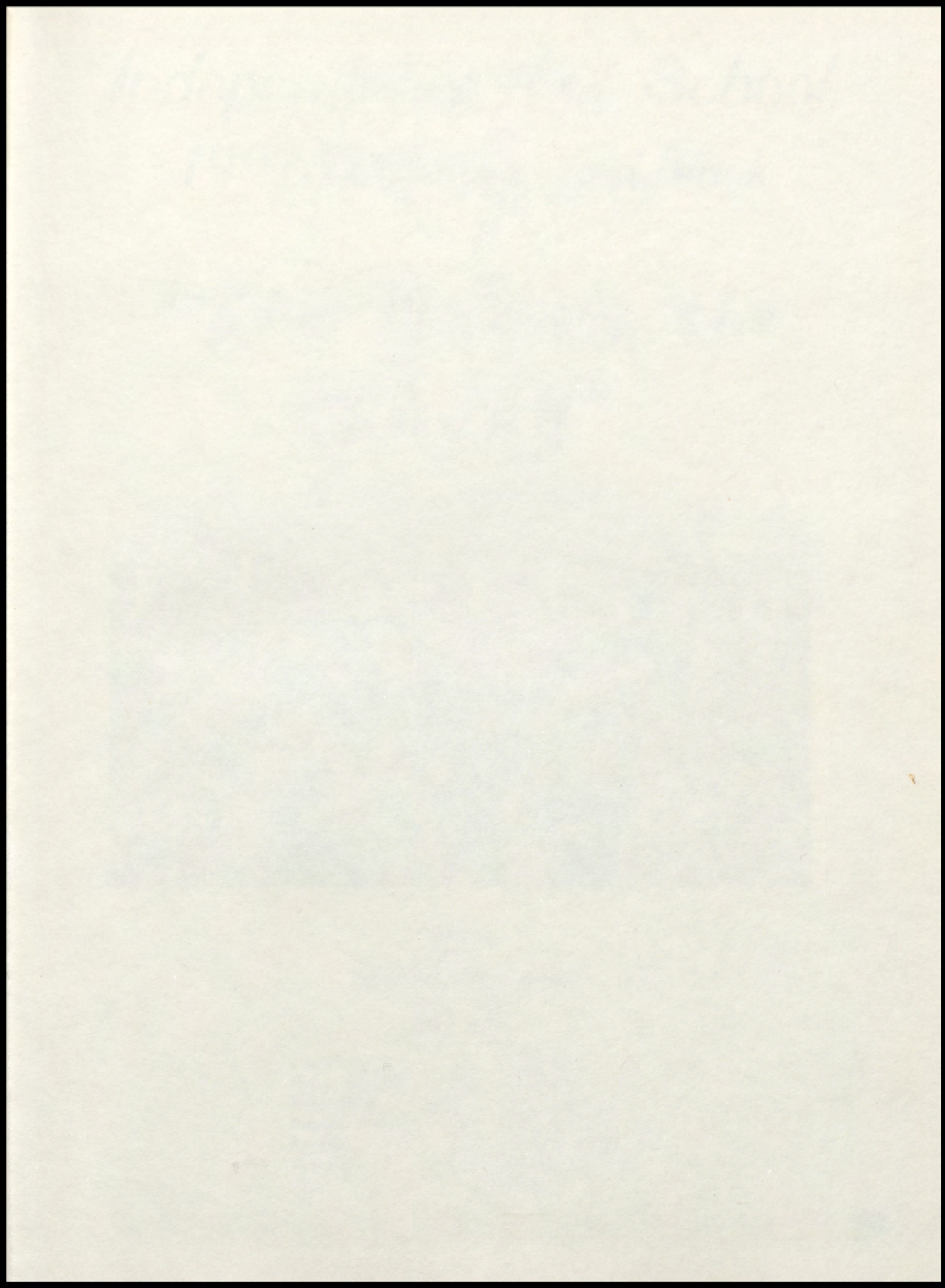
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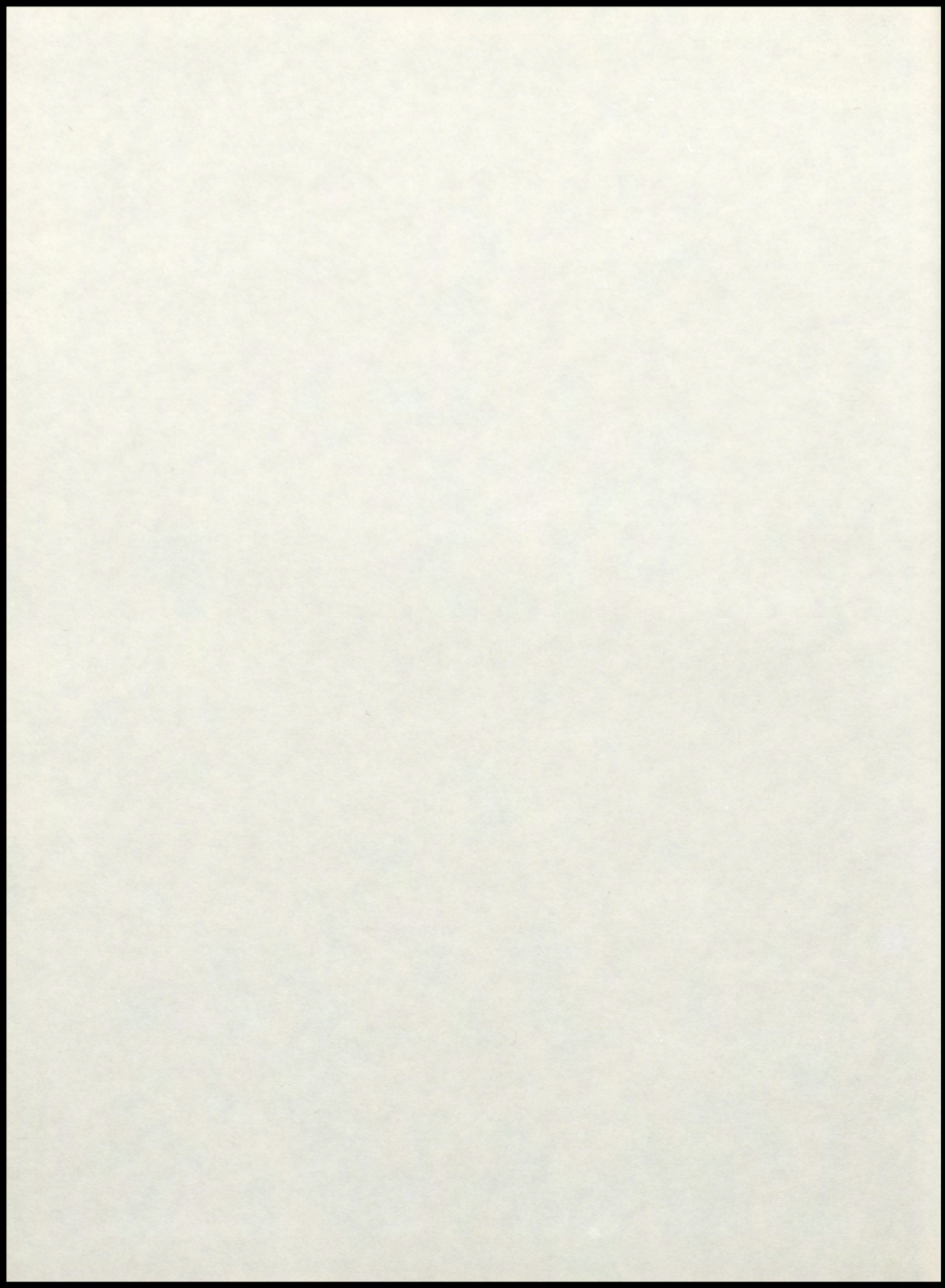
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# Independence High School 1997-98 Orange and Black

"The Name's the  
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# Yearbook Emphasizes Names

Editors Brown and Raven Want Names Spelled Correctly

"The Name's the Thang" is the theme for the 1998 Orange and Black. With the obvious misspelling of the word "thang," the staff is trying to emphasize the importance of every individual's given name.

Some philosopher said that a man's name is his most important possession. A name in a yearbook, a school program, an admit list, a teacher's roster shows again that we are a society of names and the names must be used correctly. The reader of this yearbook will notice that names are used throughout the publication. They will be found on the cover, on the divider pages--anywhere it is appropriate.

One thing the yearbook staff would like to remind the student body is the placing of students in various classes such as freshmen, sophomore, junior, or seniors. The actual classification of the students may change throughout the year.

As the students, faculty, parents, administration and friends of Independence High School read and look at this yearbook, remember: **The Name's the Thang.**



"Road closed," Not to education but only to the south parking lot at IHS. With the installation of new water lines due to the construction of the new water tower, students and faculty were briefly inconvenienced with the roads being closed.



Several students are working in one of the computer rooms. Computer technology is increasing at IHS. One more room was added for a computer room to house many of the new computer given to us.

"As editors of this year's yearbook, we have taken the responsibility of emphasizing the student's names and spelling them correctly. We planned the divider pages and the cover with the use of names of the students. We hope that this is successful and we improve upon our coverage of the student body and the names of the students at Independence High School.

--Tiffany Brown  
Ryan Raven  
Co-editors





"Teachers in black." Teachers dressed up during football spirit week. This shows that the teachers at Independence High School participate in school activities.



Students look on to the activities going on in the Independence High School north parking lot. Many times during football season the student body held pep assemblies to get the fans and players pumped for the football games. Nathan Bolin, Steven Haines, and Nick Dailey watch the parade with the fall sports queen get started. It is best not to think what Nathan is doing with this chef's hat and cooking apron. This traditional parade starts in the parking lot and moves to the stadium with the class floats and the queen finalists. Usually the pep band also participates.

Tests, tests, tests. What fun. However, they are a central part of the student's life. When ever the teacher says something like "Take out a sheet of paper and put your name on the top." Or when the feared duplicated sheet starts around the room and the students see a place at the top of the pages saying "Name \_\_\_\_\_," then an ominous feeling sets in. What if we give a wrong name? Make up a name? Put a number instead. If the teacher really wants to know this information, let them look it up. Putting my name of this paper sinks me immediately. It's tough to fake it with my name there and written in my handwriting. Alas, we must put our names on the paper. In this school, **The Name's the Thang.**





Class of 1998

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Myriah Bretches



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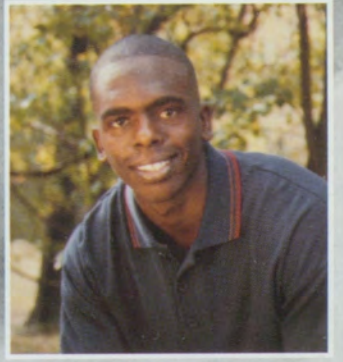
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Ben Schlorholtz



Kris Shank



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Geremi Williams



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Jan Wilson



Emily Ysusi



Sam Pray



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 Pia Scott  
 Angie Seger  
 Nick Smith  
 Casey Smith  
 Chris Twitchell  
 Donald Wade  
 Stephen Wallace



Pictured left is a rowdy bunch of seniors at a varsity football game. Most of the seniors come to support the Bulldogs because this will be their last year to do so. For some of them it will be the last year to be with their friends they have grown up with.

# There's No Place Like Home

The annual celebration of Neewollah excites IHS students during the traditional Halloween season. The carnival which invades the downtown area is a great source of evening entertainment for people of all ages and sizes. This year's theme for Neewollah was "There's No Place Like Home," which was taken from a well known play, *The Wizard of Oz*, this year's Neewollah play. The play received great reviews and sold out for the first time ever. Many of our own high school students participated in the play, with leading roles and supporting acts

Pictured at right are Kelly O'Malley, Sarah Friend, and Emily Friend. They are on a float in the annual Neewollah Grand Parade. All the Queen candidates and debs ride on floats during the parade. Kelly O'Malley won Queen Neelah and Sarah and Emily are Neelah Debs.



Stephanie FitzJohn, pictured at right, stands on the runway during the Coronation night.



Pictured above and right are the candidates for the 1997 Queens Competition. Back Row from left to right: Carrie Moffatt, Jennifer Voelzke, Cynthia Bruce, Leslie Hendrix, Jessica Wilsey, Amanda Voth, Alyson Addington, Jeanne Clark, Miranda Bateson, Amy Tate, Courtney Smith, Jan Wilson, Kelly Drankhan, Jennifer Chism, Brittney Holum, Lacey Smith, Becky Merritt, Mindy Dye, Stephanie FitzJohn, Shawna Harlin, Kelsie Linder, Jennifer Padilla, Laurel Sherwood, Kelly O'Malley, Michelle Karleskint, Valerie Morse, Amanda Parker, Joy McBride, Kim Bailey, Carla Jacobs, Amanda Sheets, Roxanne Estes, Stacie Kleiber. Front Row: Valerie Landwehr, Destiny Baker, Beka Hale, Lynn Carradine, Christy VanFossen, former queen, La'Tisha Cherry, Brandi Rowell, Meghan Hardy, Tiffany Holt.

Valerie Morse, Michelle Karleskint and Destiny Baker, pictured at right from left to right, are walking downtown after riding through the parade. These girls were all candidates in the 1997 Queen Neelah Pageant. They're all dressed up and ready to enjoy the Neewollah festivities.





Pictured at left is the 1997 Queens court. From left to right; Jennifer Voelzke, Miss Talent; Jeanne Clark, Miss Poise; Kelly Drankhan, Miss Interview; Amy Tate, Miss Congeniality and Miss Personality; Leslie Hendrix, first runner up; Tara Holland, Miss America; Kelly O'Malley, Queen Neelah; Meghan Hardy, second runner up; Brittney Holum, Miss Originality; Jennifer Padilla, Miss Beauty; Kelsie Linder, Miss Fashion; Becky Merritt, Miss Photogenic.



Pictured at left are Amanda Torbett and Arie Auxter as they devour some yummy Philly Cheese Steak Sandwiches. Neewollah is well known to Independence High School students for it's delicious food. Teachers discourage eating up town because of the number of students that arrive back late from lunch.

**Deep Thoughts by: Amanda Torbett**

"If I had a choice between Philly Cheese Steak heaven and regular heaven, I would choose Philly Cheese Steak heaven, 'cause if it wasn't a trick, mmm boy!"



Above is a picture of the Queen candidates at the Queens Brunch. The candidates talk and eat with the judges the competition at Independence Museum. They say it is a nerve racking experience.



Pictured above are Amber Robinson and Erika Rasmussen. They were in the Kiddie Parade twirling their batons and leading the young twirlers.



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The queen candidates listen attentively as Rachel Torbett, pageant director explains what will be going on for them the rest of the day and evening. Following this brunch the candidates went through a rehearsal of the coronation program in the afternoon. Mrs. Torbett has directed the pageant many times and has also been involved in Neewollah throughout her teaching career.

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Junior Sarah Kersey gives instruction to some of her twirlers prior to the start of the Kiddie Parade. Sarah is a twirler for the high school band and helped with the children's twirling program for many years. The Kiddie Parade is a favorite since it keeps the emphasis on the youth of the city and surrounding area.



Becky Merritt and Jennifer Padilla ride in the open convertible during the afternoon parade. These girls are completing a week of intense and nerve-wracking activities that conclude Saturday morning with the breakfast and the Grand Parade.

# Class of '98 Prepares to Split

"I am glad I'm leaving, but I am kind of scared"--Clint Dewlen

The climax of the seniors' high school career came to a close on the seventeenth of May. Twelve, thirteen, fourteen years of schooling (counting pre-school, kindergarden and repeating grades,) came to an end as the Class of 1998 walked across the stage.

Seniors had anticipated this event for many years, but as the year unfolded the anxiety increased. At some point practically every graduate counted a "last of something." Sometimes it was a last football game, sometimes a last coronation assembly, sometimes simply a last pencil to buy or borrow for that last test.

The important thing is the class of 1998 has "lasted." It has made it. It has finished. It has a diploma which can never be taken away.

By the time this yearbook is published the class members will have scattered from Independence and will never more gather in its entirety. But they retain something very important. The learning, the knowledge, the experiences, the friends, the memories of being members of the class of 1998.

Seniors, don't forget your name, don't forget your lessons you've learned, don't forget your friends, and don't forget your pencil! Please don't forget to wear our sweatshirt at our ten year reunion.

Last but not least, remember that all you ever really needed to know, you learned in kindergarden.



Coach Mark Hayward along with the family of Jed Newkirk, view Jed as he signs his first football contract with Fort Scott Community College. This two year establishment has also signed other Bulldog football players such as Mark Denney. Jed stands close to seven feet tall, and weighs close to 270 pounds, both attributes will surely help his football career at FSCC.



Caleb Adam focuses in on the action at the home wrestling duel versus Chanute. He is filming for Channel 14, the schools own television channel.

"The Name's the Thang" but the senior slogan didn't pass IHS censorship. Designed by the senior class, the 1998 senior sweatshirt, pictured left, was banned from being worn by its creators. In spite of the fact the design was approved by the principal and senior class sponsor, several subliminal messages were found by the faculty after distribution of the garment. The senior class was *astonished* at the accusations of the faculty which seem to question its integrity.



# Hasta La Vista, Seniors

"Once a 'jamp' always a 'jamp.' When you wanna have fun just do it!"--Andrew Lynn



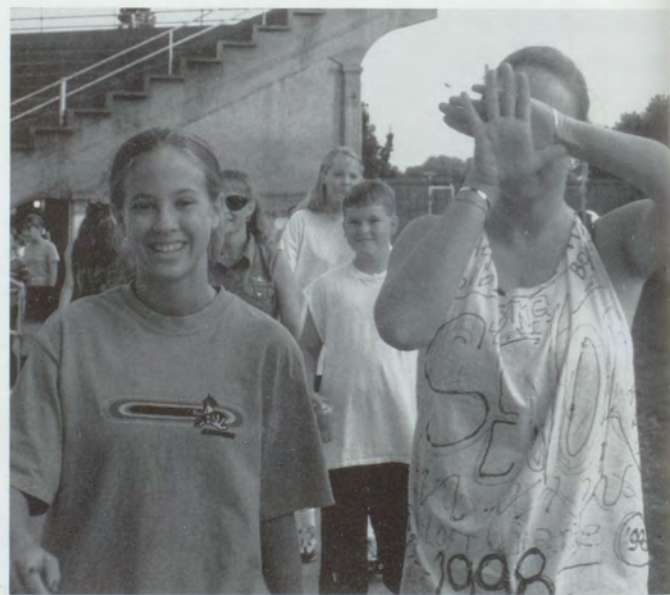
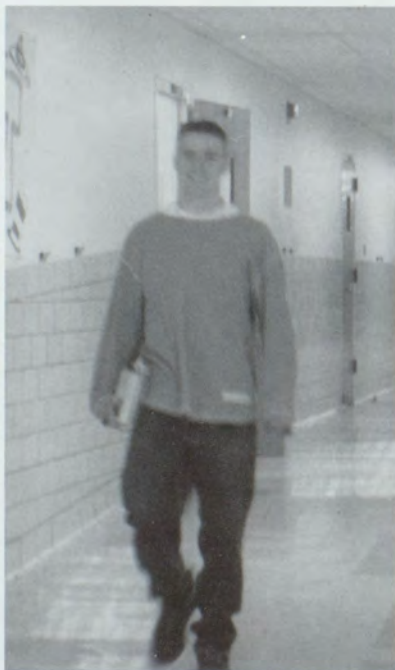
Andrew Lynn and Jan Wilson are surprised by the flash of the camera as they talk in the halls of Losey Gymnasium. Even though the two are seldom seen walking the halls, both often support IHS athletics.



Watching the home varsity duel is Steven Haines and Ben Schlorholtz. Basketball members often support the wrestlers at home events, and vice versa. Wrestling events usually do not draw as much student support, due to the long time span between duels and little knowledge of the wrestling sport.



Jason Tucker is pictured aimlessly wandering the 200 hall. Roaming the halls is a very popular event, especially for the seniors. "Senioritis," a common syndrome for seniors who can not wait to get out of IHS, is a major contributor for hall roaming.



Destiny Baker shows her pearly whites and Shawna Harlin hides from the camera at the annual pop game. Shawna made the decision to graduate at semester, a choice which was made by several other students as well who had enough credits.



Jamie Lawrence and Greg Chubb take in a home wrestling duel at Losey Gymnasium.



Shannon White makes the long trip to her locker in the 500 hall. The extra minutes added to the passing period helped many students who had lockers in the outskirts of the school building.



Tonja Lair cuts away on her sewing project as she chats with friends. Tonja can often be seen a JC Pennys clothing store downtown, or cruising in her white Ford Mustang.



Jennifer Chism concentrates on the spinning wheel, which holds her pottery project. Seniors often take classes in the art department their senior year to fill the required time set by administration.



Jason Tucker and Chris Crow along with IHS graduate Jamie King talk during halftime at a Bulldog basketball home game.

# Class of 1998





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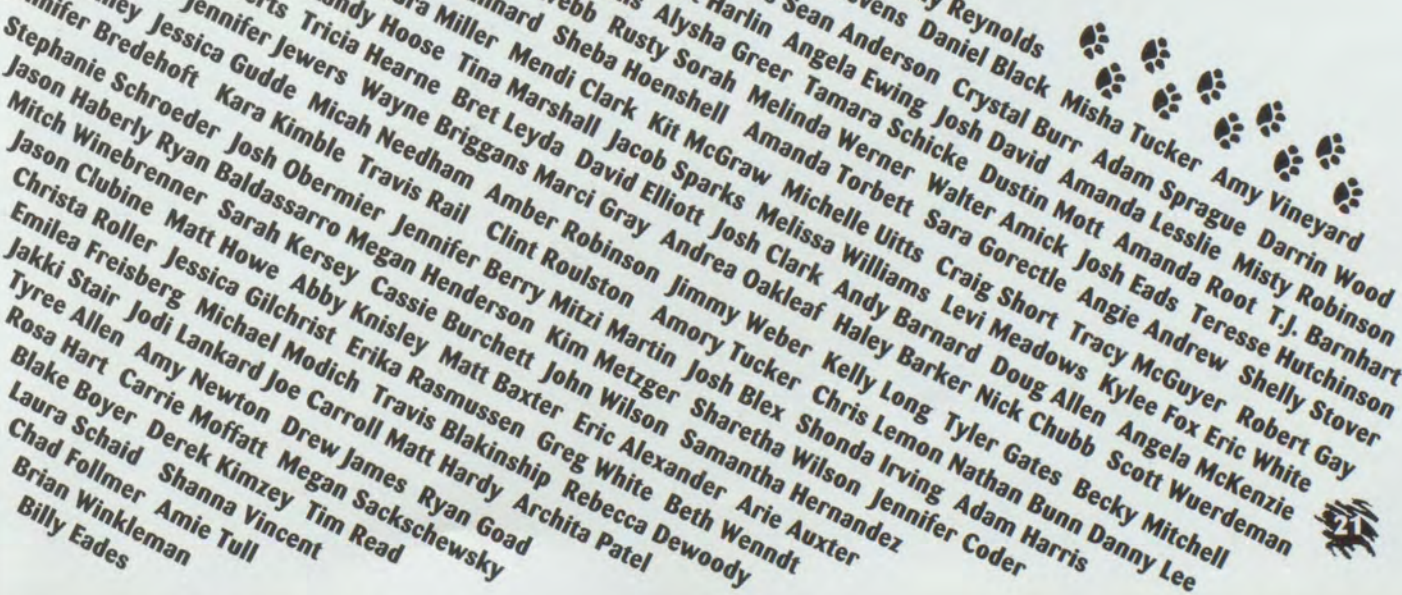
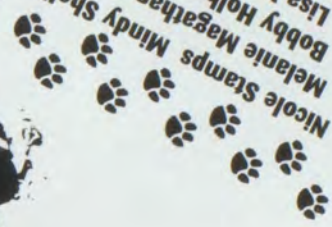


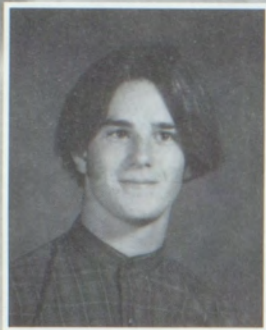
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# CAST OF 100





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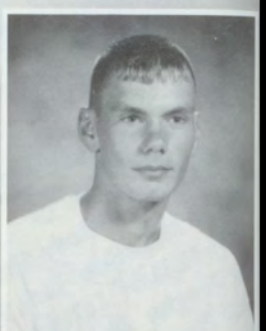
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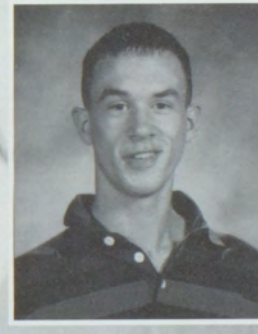
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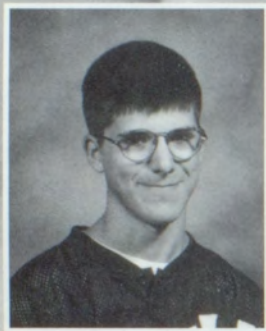
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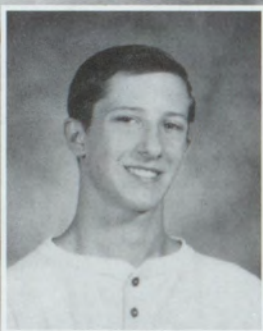
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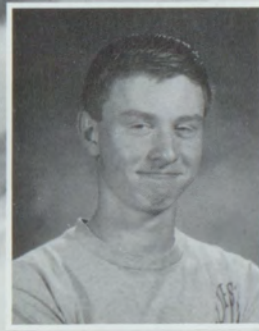
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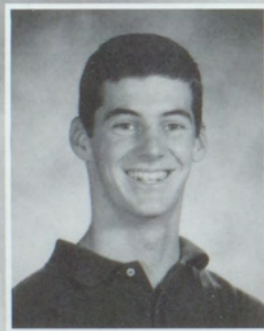
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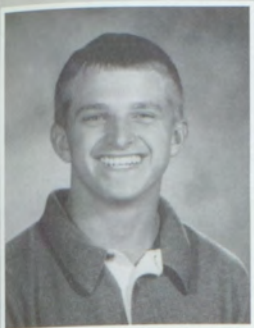
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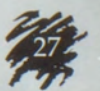
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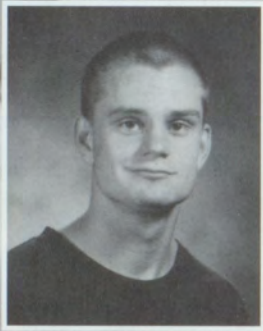
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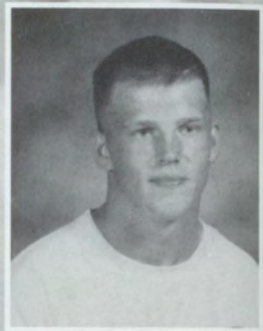
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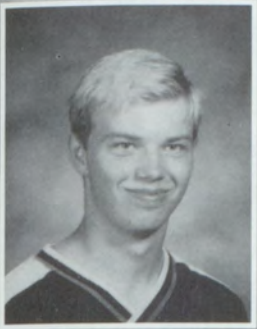
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Above: Junior Chad Follmer patiently hurries from job to job while running errands for one of his several teachers. Many students obtain some of their credits by being a teachers assistant. During this time, they are counted on to do several jobs that the teacher does not have time to do, but needs to be done.

Right: Nicole Stamps and Jason Clubine, both juniors, concentrate strongly on their in-class assignment.



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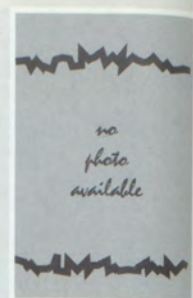
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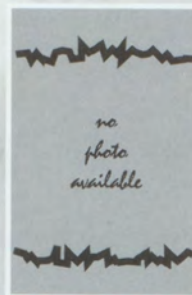
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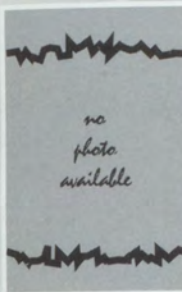
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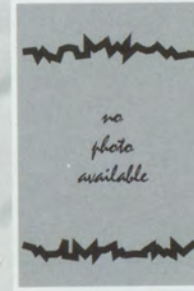
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# Juniors Prepare for Last Year

**"I've really enjoyed my junior year, it's been a blast! I can't wait for the end of next year." --Rebecca Dewoody, junior**

The junior year. Somewhere between being a senior and being an underclassman. The class rings are here. We all have driver's licenses. We are ready to finish our high school career and go on with our life.

The junior year at Independence High School is a combination of waiting, accomplishment, and preparing for the senior year. All the juniors know the way around the halls and even know most of the teachers. After all, they have watched the seniors for a long time. For the academically inclined student, this is the toughest of all the years with all the advanced classes to take. For those students coasting out the high school experience, a lesson is learned on how to avoid the tougher classes and take subjects with little or no homework.

The juniors are the first class with the freshman closed lunch hour. They were the first ones to initiate the short-lived Freshman First program at the high school. Now we firmly believe that all freshmen, all sophomores, all juniors, but no seniors, should have closed lunch hours.

But most of all, the junior year is prom. The class has saved, prepared, and spent most of the year trying to make the prom the best experience for all the juniors and seniors. "An Evening in Hollywood" provided such an experience.



Pictured left, Kit McGraw walks down the hall between classes. With little time to get from one class to another, Kit takes the time to stop and give us a little pose and a smile.



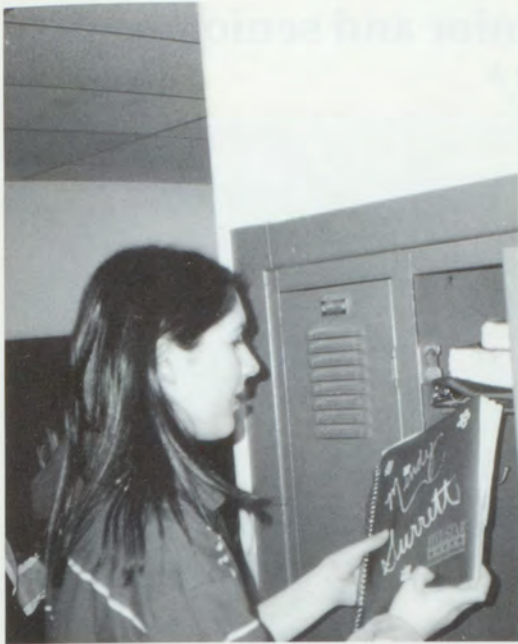
Pictured left, Kari Jordan and Marci Gray, members of the I.H.S. Varsity cheerleading squad do a chant, during a time out at a home basketball game, to get the crowd involved.

**"I can't believe we're almost seniors. I'm happy, but I'll never forget all the great memories with my friends."  
--Erika Rasmussen**

Pictured to the right, Jennifer Jewers, Archita Patel, Beth Wenndt, and Jack DeGraw all work on an A.P. History assignment, while Ashley Osborn, Jennifer Coder, and Stephanie Schroeder observe their classmates activities.



# Prom Emphasis for Year



Mindy Surret, pictured left, stops at her locker between classes to get her books. Mindy's locker is hard to get to between classes since it is at the intersection of 100 and 300 hall.

"This year gave me a better class selection and I've had fun. The best part is next year we'll be seniors!"  
--Angie McKenzie



Jacob Sparks, Rane' Yakshaw, Tamara Schicke, David Elliott, and Chad Follmer, pictured right, work on a class assignment in Mr. Coder's class. This class is offered to both juniors and seniors. The class works on a variety of projects in class.



Amanda Torbett, pictured left, works on her Pre-Calculus assignment.



Adam Harris and Amanda Root, pictured right, stretch before a track meet. Adam runs long distances. Amanda runs sprints, hurdles, and long jump.

Mitch Winebrenner, Kit McGraw, and Mendi Clark, pictured below, work hard on an english assignment in Mrs. Mani's class.



Rebecca Dewoody, pictured left, proof-reads a page for the 1998 Orange and Black year-book.

"After these years in high school, I can say that these have been some of the most INTERESTING years of my life."  
--Travis Rail

# Sophomores Speak Out

"I am definitely looking forward to my junior and senior years, and being in the class of 2000 is also cool."

The sophomore year one is still considered an underclassman, but thankfully not a freshman. After a hectic first year of being teased and tormented as a freshmen, sophomores begin to know their role in the high school. While many upperclassmen look down at these students, oftne times the same students are looking up to them, to see how to act and what to do when they become juniors and seniors.



Brandon Bailey gets caught off guard during class. Brandon has been active in football and wrestling in high school.



A sophomore science class converses as they begin to go back into the class room. Many classes take advantage of the commons to do projects or experiments.



No its not Arnold or Sly in an action movie, these girls were getting ready to take the field at powder puff football held at Kayo Emmot Field.

**"Powder puff was tons of fun, I have always wanted to get out there and show what I could do."--Brianna Swisher**

# Class of 2000 Gets Ready



Clyde Gibbs helps out Levi Meadows during a home game. Gibbs was a member of the wrestling team and seen here, a football manager.

This group of girls, in the north parking lot, yell for the sophomore class during a pep assembly.



Mr. Rutters sophomore science class arrives in the commons area to study a tree. This class often travels to many areas of the campus at IHS, and even throughout the neighborhood, to find and collect certain types of tree samples.

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Despite many arguments from the freshmen, all ninth graders must eat lunch at school in the cafeteria. Because of this, passing the ninth grade has an extra incentive in that upper classmen have open lunch and may eat anywhere during the lunch hour.

Freshmen Chris Williams, AJ Mattix, Michael McDaniel, Austin Harris and Jenny Tucker, pictured to the right, go through the lunch line.



Hannah Dillion and Ashley Parham, pictured to the left, at one of the seasons first home games.

# The Halls--Another Form Of Education



# Power Team Sends Message

"When I got down to the floor, I couldn't stop laughing, and when he was swinging Amanda and I around I thought I was going to die." -Brianna Swisher



Pictured above: Amanda Root and Brianna Swisher get swung around in the air by one of the Power Team members. Amanda and Brianna were selected randomly from the crowd, but only after Andrea Oakleaf declined going on to the gym floor.

Pictured to the right, a member of the team puts his arms in danger, while another member smashes the concrete with a sledge hammer. The victim of the sledge hammer incident lost feeling in his arms for nearly one minute.

Pictured to the side, Kelly O'Malley and Criss Clay watch in amazement how the indestructible hot water thermos bag is being blown up by a member of the Power Team. He is wearing sunglasses to protect his eyes from the enormous explosion of the bag.



Members of the Power Team, above, are preparing to break several slabs of concrete with their heads. It takes a lot of dedication and concentration to be able to perform this task.



In a special assembly held in the Spring at the Middle School, the students of IHS witnessed some of the exploits of what is billed as "the power team." This group of young men perform feats of strength and courage while promoting a message of a drug-free, alcohol free life. The assembly was an encouragement for the students to attend some shows at night at the Nazarine Church.

The school is given many requests for this type of assembly during the year and deciding what will fit into the goals of the school is a difficult decision.



# Freshmen Represent IHS

The Freshman year: feelings of fear, curiosity, and anxiety. Although the freshmen class is often picked on and scorned, the class shows support throughout the year for the upper classmen as well as other freshmen.



Above, the IHS Freshman Cheerleaders lead the Neewollah parade with the opening banner.



To the left, Freshman show their spirit at a pep rally, held in the north parking lot. The Class of 2001, sure have pride in IHS.



To the left, a group of freshman boys hold a sign reading, "Capture the Grizzlies." This pep rally was held in the north parking lot, before the game against Labette County.

# Drama Class Preps for Play

"I had a lot of fun. My part in the play fit me well, I got to talk a lot." --Kari Jordan Junior



Pictured above, Brandy Carter, Kari Jordan, and Mary Henderson, enjoy the beautiful day, while they paint a back drop for the play.

Pictured to the left, Sara Beckham, carefully attempts to open a jar. In the workroom behind, the stage. The workroom is used to store props and mix paints.

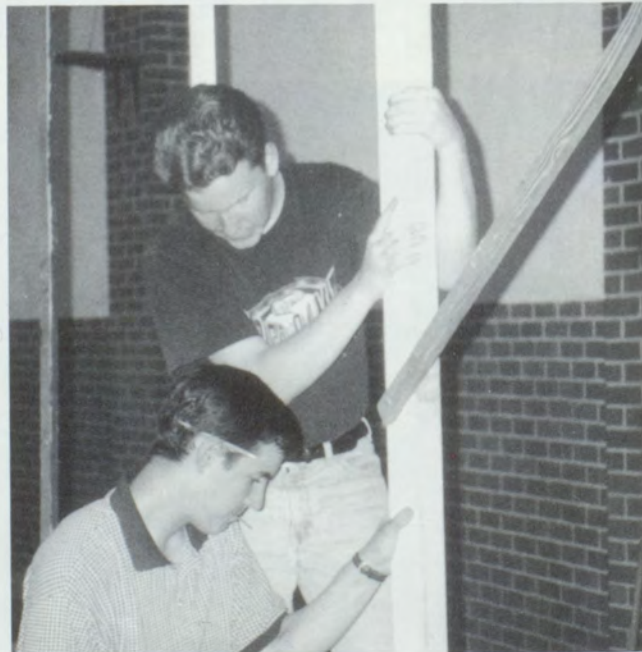
**"MISS. GLORY,  
paging MISS. GLORY."**

--Zach Sprague Senior



To the left, Mrs. Shephard and Lacy Hill, frantically try to complete putting the finishing touches on the back drop of the play.

To the right, Evan Hoyt and Matt VanDyne, work very intently on trying to put a frame for the play together.



# Dirty Work Afoot

"It was alot of fun. We all had as much fun as the audience did throwing things at Micheal."--Katherine Busenburg



Jeffery Gettler, pictured to the left, tries to be friendly while Micheal does his evil deed and Katherine just admires her flowers that her one true love, John Truheart, played by Jeffery Gettler has just given her.

Kari Jordan, pictured below, plays her part very well while acting like her normal self chewing on her gum and talking frantically.



"I think that the play went well.

Jessica's singing was the best thing I've ever heard."--Jeff Gettler  
Sophmore



Pictured to the right Ozel Pouncil is shocked as Adam Sprague tells him a very amazing, shocking, and thrilling joke he has ever heard.



Pictured above, Christy Croom(Hortense) is trying to give Michael Feinen the hint of her further advances that she tries to portray.

Pictured to the right, Micheal Feinen and Drew James scheme up a devious plan to get all of Katherine's (Polly Goodson) money.





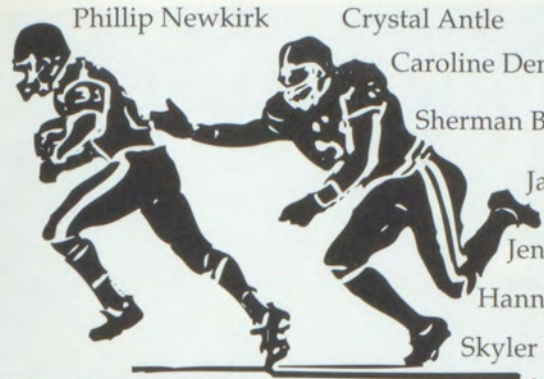
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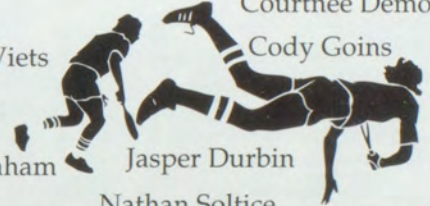


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# Hayward Takes The Helm

"This year we suffered close defeats in several games, which we easily could have won. A few more points in these games and our record would have been much better."-- Aaron Heckman

Independence vs. Washburn Rural	L	49-0
vs. Fort Scott	L	48-7
vs. Chanute	W	24-12
vs. LCHS	L	35-19
vs. Parsons	L	19-13
vs. Wichita Heights	L	45-19
vs. Pittsburg	L	51-0
vs. Ark City	L	24-20
vs. Coffeyville	W	20-3
----- Final Record 2-7		

1997 brought two new changes for the Independence Bulldogs. The most obvious of which is the new head coach Mark Hayward. The summer workout schedule leading into the football season being the second. A small fortune was spent on the rebuilding and furnishing of the run down and misused weightroom. Hayward, along with other coaches, were able to set a new tone for the weightroom facility. Despite a disappointing record, many advancements and additions were made in this season, among which were coaches Larry Annable, John Mangan, and Casey Smith along with sophomore Jacob Veits and senior Ryan Raven .

New head coach Mark Hayward leads the stretching routine after the halftime adjustments. Athletes seen are Chet Harlin, Marcus Bryant, Wayne Briggans, Clement Kinnard, and Matt Howe.



Pictured to the left, seniors Tim Henderson, Jason Simpson and junior Wayne Briggans all tackle a Labette County Grizzley. Wayne sat out some time during the middle of the season due to an appendix operation. Early in the season several players were forced to sit out for disciplinary reasons, but came back strong after their suspension.





Pictured to the left, senior Jason Simpson attacks his victim on a punt coverage to save yardage against the Labette County Grizzlies. In the background, senior Ryan Raven, junior Marcus Bryant, and sophomore Beau Schultz pursue the runner in case he slips past Jason.



Senior Jed Newkirk prepares himself before a game early in the season. Jed is a three-year letterman for the Bulldogs, who has started at tight end, tackle, and long snapper.



First row: Larry Anable, J.R. White, Nathan Soltice, B.J. Kendall, Beau Schultz, Eric Sandon, Todd Schrader, Buddy Schenk, Travis Dunham, Justin Courtney, Brandon Bailey, Clyde Gibbs (manager).  
 Second Row: Jim Mosely, Lance Lusk, Rob Herrman, Jimmy Reynolds, Jed Newkirk, Jason Simpson, Tim Henderson, Vernon Munkirs, Luke Emmot, Ryan Raven, Aaron Heckman, Caleb Adam, Joey Van Pelt, Carl Boldra  
 Third Row: Doug Rinck, Tyson Oakes, T.J. Wilson, Josh Obermeier, Brain Denney, Marcus Bryant, James Schwartz, Brandon Cox, Eric White, Danny Lee, Jacob Viets, Mark Hayward, Casey Smith  
 Fourth Row: Ryan Hixon, Joey Leon, Chet Harlin, John Wilson, Wayne Briggans, Josh Blex, Mike Modich, Jason Courtney, Levi Meadows, Matt Howe, Nathan Shire, John Mangan

# JV Boys Take It To 'Em

**"It was great to be undefeated, I had a lot of fun,"--sophomore quarterback Beau Schultz**

Despite the varsities less successful scoring record of 2-7, the junior varsity came out on top of the competition with a final undefeated record of 4-0.



Pictured above, sophomore Derrick Darkis rushes the ball fiercely towards the end zone after being thrown a shovel pass from quarterback Beau Shultz. With Justin Courtney as his lead blocker, Derrick gains several more yards.

Picture above, the Courtney twins, who are often confused for one another, depart the field after a kick-off.

Pictured to the right, juniors Brian Denney, Marcus Bryant, and sophomore Nathan Soltice scramble to make the defensive tackle.



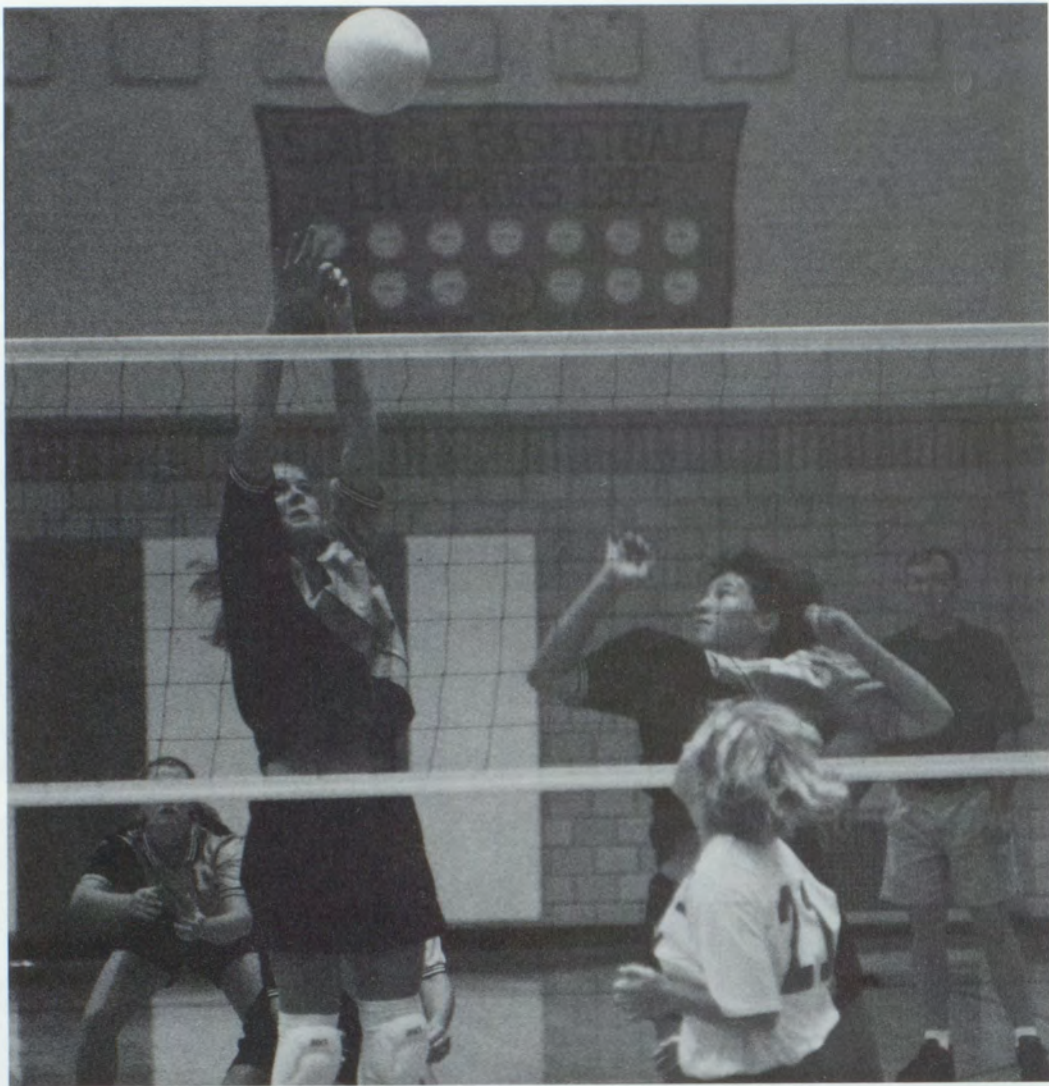


Pictured to the left, Coach Mangan, Coach Smith, and Coach Price give pointers to the freshman offense during a timeout.

Pictured below, freshman Kevin Briggans, as well as other freshman players, attack the opposing return team during their contest versus the Grizzlies.



The freshman football team pictured above Front Row: Ricky Craig, Cody Robertson, Jasper Durbin, Keith Hoose, Justin Cunningham, Brent Mooney, Kevin Briggans. Middle Row: Jeff Radcliff, Cody Goins, Brian Dennis, Jared Riley, Mark Spellman, Josh Burchett, Shawn Ross. Back Row: John Mangan (Coach), Chris Branham, Phillip Newkirk, Kaven Chapman, Travis Crane, Josh Tucker, Abe AlBureni, Dallas Watson, Casey Smith (Coach).



Michele Karleskint and Johna Emmot, below, set-up for a spike to the other side.

Coach Kristi Speicher led the 1997 Independence High School volleyball team into a very difficult and frustrating season. With a team that could not achieve consistency, the season resulted in a season record of 15-15. Coach Speicher felt as though the record could have been better but the team could not achieve the effort to win consistently.

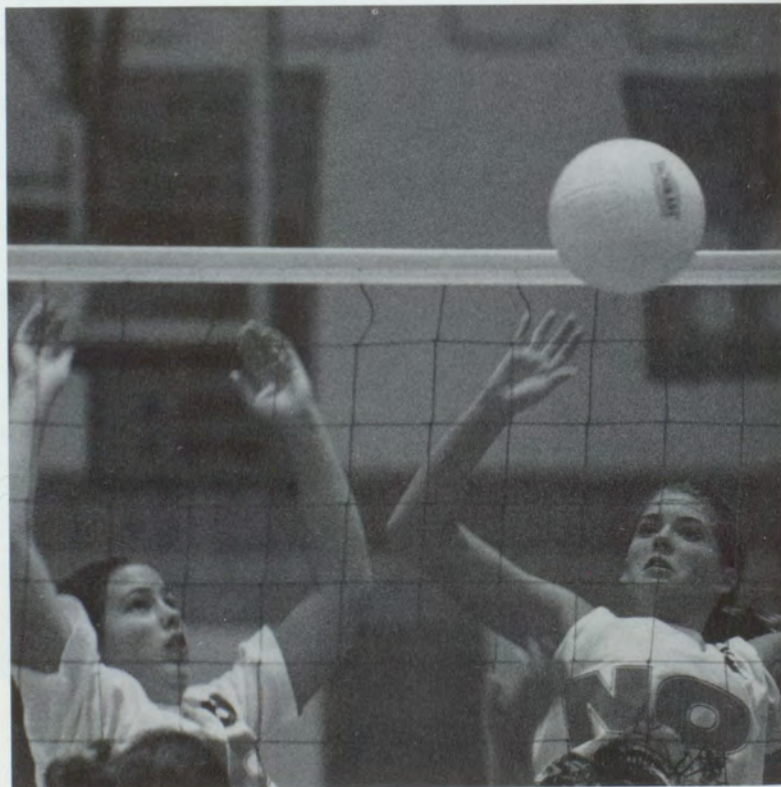
The team featured four seniors on the squad. They were Michelle Karleskint, Amanda Chapman, Jenny Clark, and Jessica Tyler.

However, the team returns a strong base for the next year with Jennifer Coder, Johna Emmot, Stacey Mitchell, and Angi Andrew returning to the team.

Coach Speicher is hoping the team can make the summer sacrifices that are necessary for a winning team.

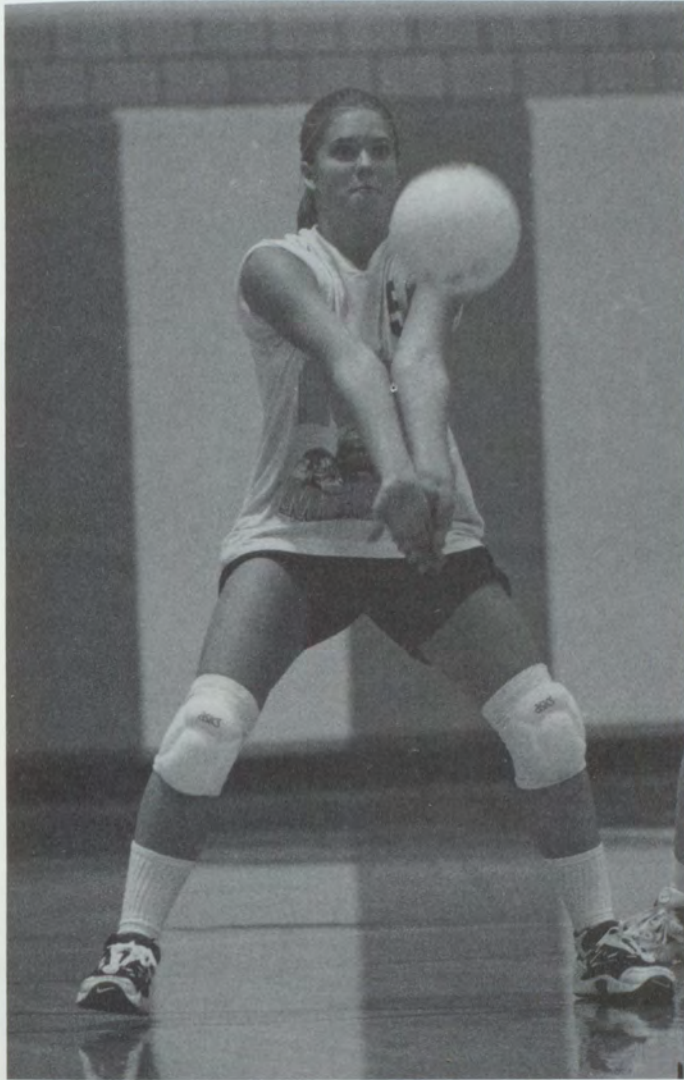
Stacey Mitchell, left, hesitates to assist Johna Emmot with a play. Both Stacey and Johna played Varsity volleyball as sophomores this year.

Both Stacey Mitchell and Johna Emmot return next year to hopefully lead the team to a more fulfilling record as to Coach Speicher's standards. Also returning to the team are Jennifer Coder and Angi Andrew.

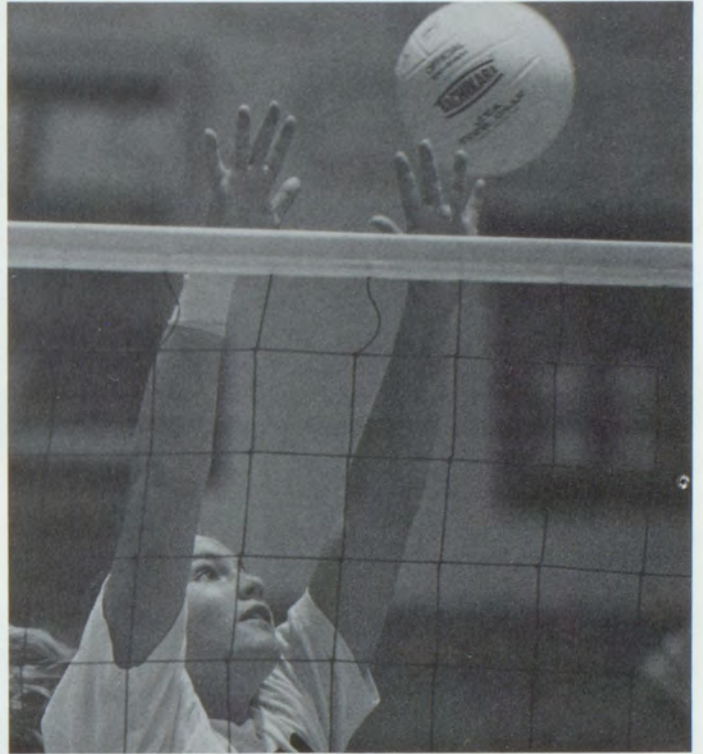


# Volleyball Sweeps To Success

"I had a lot of fun with it being my last year. I hope the underclassmen coming up will have as much fun as I did in the four years I played." -- Jessica Tyler



Johna Emmot, left, attempts to bump the ball. Johna also plays basketball and softball for the Independence High School girls teams.



Jessica Tyler, above, viciously attacks the ball. Jessica has played volleyball all four years of her high school career. Jessica enjoys the sport very much and when asked to give advice to the underclassmen she said, "No matter what don't give up because in the future it will be a good learning experience."



Independence High School Girls Varsity volleyball Team, left, front row: Amanda Chapman, Jennifer Coder, Angi Andrew. Back row: Stacey Mitchell, Johna Emmot, Michelle Karleskint, Jenny Clark, Jessica Tyler.

# JV Volleyball Sets It Up



Mendi Clark serves the ball at the Ash Center to try to close out the game.

"I had fun this year on JV, but my junior and senior year on varsity will be better I'm sure." --  
Brianna Swisher



Megan Sackchewsky studies the ball intensely as she decides what her next move will be.



Front Row: (Left to Right) Megan Sackschewsky, Brianna Swisher, Julie Harper, Latisha Hughes  
Back Row: (Left to Right) Holly Thompson, Jami Shaw, Danika Foster, Kristen Kelley, Stephanie Wilson, Courtney Adam

# Frosh Learn The Ways



Courtney Adam and Latisha Hughes stand steadfast and discuss what strategy they plan to use next in order to defeat the opposing team.



Brianna Swisher turns to the camera as the team peeps up in a huddle to start off the game with high spirits.



Front Row: (Left to Right) Ashlee Gates, Ashley Farmer, Tera Cadwell, Jalayna Newkirk, Jenny Tucker, Andrea Journot, Melissa MacRae  
Back Row: (Left to Right) Susanne Peterson, Chelsa Carr, Crystal Antle, Sara Doran, Beth Rink, Erica Wollard, Natasha Reid

# Girl Runners Give Effort

The 1997 girls and boys cross country teams had a trying year as a team but individually they made many accomplishments. Due to a limited size squad, the varsity had trouble competing for the team honors but the junior varsity team fielded strong runners in each meet. This will provide hope for the future of the teams with the sophomores and juniors moving to the varsity level next year. Coach Cranor is in his second year of coaching and employs a number of coaching techniques including bike riding and swimming for conditioning.



Lindsey Wilkins, Rane Yakshaw, and Tracy McGruyer, pictured above, are competing at the 1997 Independence Invitational Cross Country meet.

Pictured below is the 1997 girls Cross Country team. Seated from left to right Kim Bailey, Lindsey Wilkin, Ashley Osborne, and Allysa Merritt. Back row left to right Arie Auxter, Tracy McGuyer, Brittney Holum, Rane Yakshaw, Hillary Sherwood.

Senior Brittney Holum, pictured below, running is hard at the Sycamore Valley Golf Course during the 1997 Independence Invitational Cross Country meet.



# Boys Team Forms Unity



Shane McCallie, a two year cross country runner, pictured left, struggles to keep up with the other runners. The race was ran at the Sycamore Valley Golf Course. The cross country team hosts a meet every year at the golf course and this gives the parents an opportunity to watch the race and it also allows other faculty members the opportunity to help with the meet. This year several schools who were scheduled to run did not show up at the meet which caused last minute shuffling to take place.



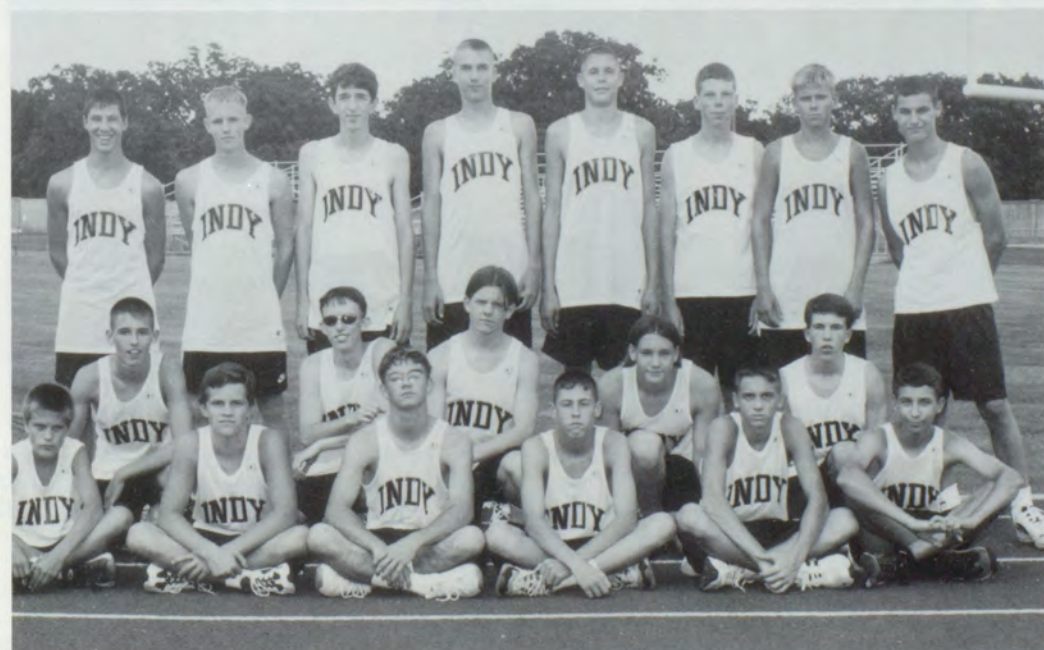
James Hinman, pictured right, runs alone at the 1997 Independence Invitational Cross Country meet. James, a sophomore, is following in the footsteps of his older sister Ruthe who also competed for the Bulldogs.

**"Coach Cranor made this season real fun. Running for cross country also helped me get in shape for wrestling."**

**--J.J. McCallie**



Zach Sprague, pictured left, a four year cross country member, shows the effects of a long run as he is working hard to make it to the finish line. Cross country is a difficult and lonely sport since the runners basically are competing against themselves and the clock. This is a sport that receives no glory and next to no recognition so the competitors run for their own satisfaction and for the right to represent the school. Cross country coach Kelly Cranor is in his second year as being head coach of the sport and works his runners hard and frequently will run with the athletes as they train.



1997 Boys Cross Country team: Front row L-R: Michael McDaniel, Shane McCallie, J.J. McCallie, Nick Chubb, Justin Mathis, Joe Carroll. Middle Row L-R: Jason Linder, Josh David, James Hinman, Justin Henderson, Skylar Rail. Back Row L-R: Matt Holum, Matt Crane, Walter Amick, Sherman Brown, Scott Wuerdeman, John Williams, Zach Sprague, Levi Holt.

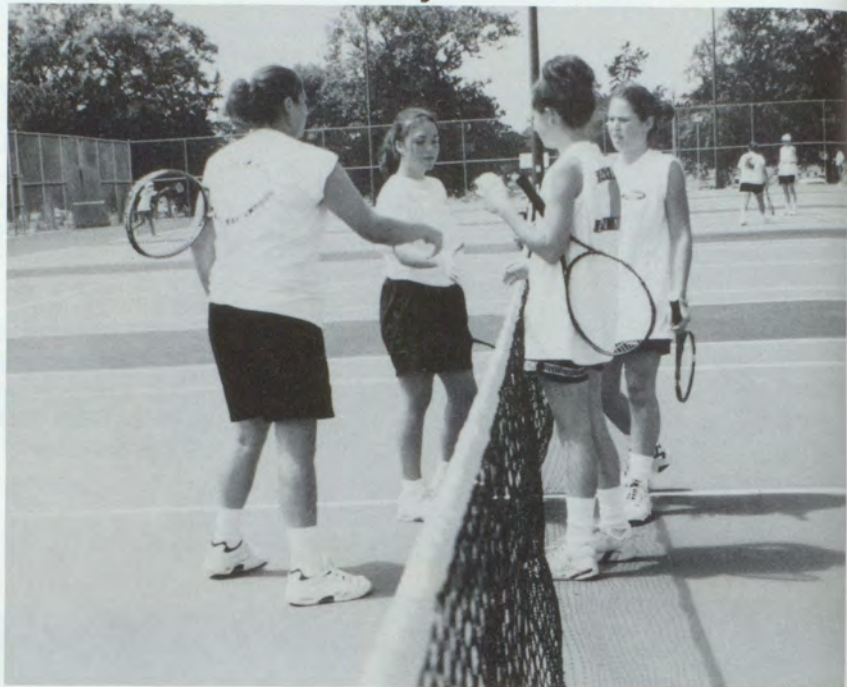
# Lady Dogs Capture Fourth

**"As a senior, this year was very important to me. It was the best year for me and was a lot of fun."-Emily Ysusi, senior**

The Independence High School Girls Tennis team experienced another outstanding season last year under the direction of Coach Jean Lundt and assistant coach Gina Botts.

The team featured balance with a group of seniors leading and some freshmen that provided motivation for the sophomores and juniors. Four of the returnees have experience at the state tournament and hope to return in the 1998-99 season.

Seniors Emily Ysusi and Amanda Sheets, pictured right, go to shake hands with the opponents after their match during a tournament in Independence.



Front Row: Kellie Jewers, Mary Kelly, Emily Ysusi, Amie Tull, Victoria Lowden, Amy Haley, Jennifer Hackett, Jamie Shank  
Middle Row: Amber Jefferson, Laura Schaid, Meghan Hardy, Amanda Sheets, Archita Patel, Sara Hammer, Jordan Paugh, Erin Emert, Michelle Thompson. Back Row: Sarah Hines, Lauren Oakleaf, Caroline Denney, Emily David, Valerie Landwehr, Amanda Torbett, Mindy Thompson, Stephanie Schroeder, Courtney Smith, Brianna Bishop.



# Team Also Wins Regional



Pictured above, senior Meghan Hardy follows through on her serve at the Kansas State High School Activities Association Tennis State Tournament. Pictured right, the doubles team of freshman Lauren Oakleaf and junior Stephanie Schroeder, who finished sixth at state, take a break between games.

For the third straight year the IHS girls tennis team captured the regional tennis championship and paved the way to the state competition. For the second straight year, five of the possible six girls qualified for the state tournament. Two doubles teams and a singles player all advanced to the state meet at Newton. The doubles team of Courtney Smith and Amanda Torbett took fourth place at the state tournament. Stephanie Schroeder and Lauren Oakleaf placed sixth, also in doubles. Meghan Hardy also attended the state tournament.

**"My partner, Courtney, was a real jerk. No, I mean she likes beef jerky!"**  
**--Junior Amanda Torbett**



Pictured above, Meghan Hardy, Courtney Smith, Stephanie Schroeder, Lauren Oakleaf, and Amanda Torbett gather with Coaches Jean Lundt and Gina Botts after their victory. The Lady Bulldogs took fourth as a team at the state tournament in Newton, Kansas. The team competed on the campus of Bethel College, the campus of Newton High School, and the campus of Hesston College. These three sites allowed for the tournament to be played in two days but forced the coaches to travel between the locations.

## TEAM AWARDS

- Most Valuable--  
Courtney Smith
- Rookie of the Year--  
Lauren Oakleaf
- Best Hustler--  
Amanda Torbett
- Most Spirited--  
Smith and Torbett
- Most Improved--  
Mindy Thompson

# Fall Varsity Cheerleaders



Rebecca Edwards, also known as Bulldog Bob, performs a cartwheel during a football game at Kayo Emmot Field. She performed as the bulldog during the fall sports season. With the mascot and the cheerleaders working together, the crowd was urged to become very involved in the games.

Preparing for the game, the cheerleaders hold up the "Go, Fight, Win" signs at the rally in the IHS parking lot. Pictured below are juniors Marci Gray, Amanda Root and senior Mindy Dye.

"Being an Independence High School varsity cheerleader has been an interesting experience"  
-- junior Marci Gray

Pictured below are the 1997 Fall varsity cheerleaders: seated is junior Kari Jordan. Back row from left to right: sophomore Ashley Blex, senior Mindy Dye, sophomore Amy Watson, junior Marci Gray, and sophomore Mary Henderson.



# Fall Freshmen Cheerleaders



Cheerleading, an activity that many freshmen girls look forward to upon entering their freshman year at the Independence High School. The group is selected in the spring with the squad working all summer. The girls get involved in the school activities very quickly, including the pop game and the summer competitions. The sponsors like to encourage their enthusiasm and hope that the eagerness will continue to the varsity level.

Pictured at the top left to right is Kelli Regehr and Debbie Tincher the varsity fall cheerleading coaches. Sandy Annable is the freshmen fall cheerleading coach.

Pictured at the right is a picture of the fall freshmen cheerleaders in action at one of the home games.

Pictured below is the fall freshmen cheerleaders. Front row left to right: Brooke Mills, Hannah Dillon, Cortny Schlorholtz, and Erin Brooks. Back left to right: Christin Franklin, Courtnee Demo, Ashley Parham, Jennifer Sprague.



# Seniors Dominate Pop Game

Kelly O'Malley and Lacy Smith run to get more pop so that the seniors could hopefully win for the first time.

The girls tennis team waits patiently for their names to be called to be recognized for their accomplishments for this years season.



Every year before the fall sports season starts, the traditional Pop Game is held at Kayo Emmot Field. Sports participants from the fall season benefit from this by the donations that are given from community members as well as classmates. The football team divides itself into two equal teams, and scrimmages for the attending fans.



Sarah Hines, Courtnee Demo, and Jennifer Sprague wait to get their refreshments from the concession stand.

Many of the footballplayers wait impatiently for their turn to go in for a chance to scrimmage each other.



# Valerie L. Crowned Fall Queen

*"It was an honor to be selected for the court." - Brittney Holum*

This year the theme for the 1997 Fall Homecoming Coronation was the Brady Bunch. Several juniors and sophomores performed familiar scenes.

Junior Queen Candidate Amanda Torbett and her sophomore escort Matt Holum, pictured to the right, are introduced during the fall homecoming assembly.



Pictured below is the 1997 Fall Homecoming Court. Back Row Left-Right Sherman Brown, Scott Wuerdeman, Brian Denney, Matt Holum, Chet Harlin. Front Row Left-Right Brittney Holum, Valerie Landwehr, Rane'Yakshaw, Amanda Torbett, Michelle Karleskint.

Pictured below: Rane' Yakshaw, junior, is escorted into the auditorium by Brian Denney who is also a junior.



Pictured Above: Senior Michelle Karleskint, is escorted by Chet Harlin, junior, during the Fall Homecoming Assembly.

Pictured to the Right: Senior Valerie Landwehr is escorted by Scott Wuerdeman, junior. Later that evening at the football game she was crowned 1997 Fall Homecoming Queen.



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# 100 Hall Busiest Location

"I think only juniors should be allowed on the couch." Mendi Clark

"What will I miss about the 100 Hall...I would have to say sitting on the couch before class. There was always a fight over who got the seat." -Keri Vannoster

Pictured below are Seniors Jan Wilson and Keri Vannoster. They are having a quick conversation in between classes in the 100 Hall.

Juniors Mendi Clark and Tyree Allen, pictured below and right, are working in the Library at the card catalog.

Pictured at right are Juniors Ryan Baldassaro and Sarah Kersey. They are in Mr. Coder's class and looking very excited about it!



Mr. Boehs World History class, pictured above, is hard at work third period. This class is a requirement for all sophomores.

Juniors Rebecca Edwards and Matt Howe with senior Matt Schiler, pictured at right, are working hard in Mr. Landwehr's American History class.





A group of seniors, at left, frolic in the hall during passing period. From left to right; Aaron Meyer, Laurel Sherwood, Criss Clay and Kelly O'Malley.

**"The senior year has been a blast, especially with our tight senior sweatshirts to kick it off." Criss Clay**

Below are sophomores Jason Linder and Brianna Swisher busily writing on the board in class.



Neepa Patel is pictured below while working on the computer in Mrs. Cox's room with the help of Mrs. Tweedy.



The busiest hall at Independence is the 100 Hall. It features the exits to the parking lots, the library, the auditorium, the office, the couch, the pop machine, the lockers. It also seems to be the traditional "meeting place." Before the start of the school day, the halls are lined with students studying or talking. Academically, the halls are the homes of the social studies department, the clinic, several of the Language Arts classes, and some of the special education classes. However, in 1997-98, the highlight of the hall was the addition of the student council "couch." This antique was occupied from at least 7 a.m. until 4 p.m. most days of the week. Faculty, administration, students all took advantage of this chance to rest comfortably.



One of the most used portions of the 100 Hall is the Auditorium. This is where we hold assemblies, award ceremonies, concerts and guest speakers. Above are the girls who will play in the Sub-State game. They were asked to come on stage by their coach, Brenda Shawley, during a pep assembly in February. From left to right; Amanda Torbett, Megan Sackschewsky, Ashley Osborn, Johna Emmot, Jennifer Coder, Arie Auxter, and Michelle Karleskint.



Juniors Chet Harlin and Tyson Oakes are pictured above in class. Chet is handing in his paper while Tyson goofs off in the background.

**When asked about the upcoming Sub-State game, Michelle Karleskint said, "Down, down, down! Labette is going down!"**

# Math + English = 200 Hall

"I like Mr. Shire's class because he says we can run up and down the halls naked if we are good." --Arie Auxter

Probably the busiest, most highly traveled, most congested hall at Independence High School. This hall leads to all areas of the school and most students will be in at least once a day if not more often.

The hall features a variety of three different classes including English classes, science classes, math classes, and foreign language all take place in this hall.

Many freshmen congregate here before school in order to enjoy social time with friends. On the west end of the hall are the offices for Mrs. Hellen, Mrs. Strathe, and Mr. Torbett. This, also, is the only hall with two girls bathrooms and two water fountains.

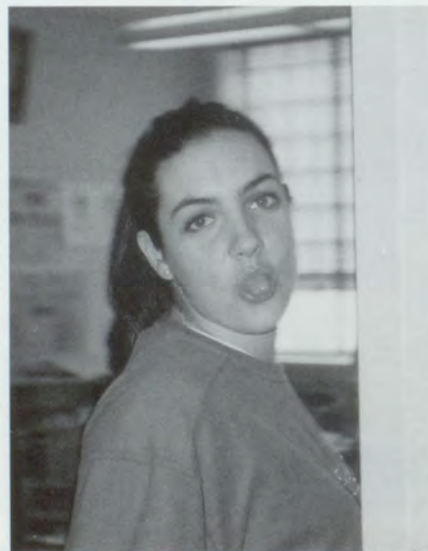


Beau Schultz, Brandon Cox and Brianna Swisher along with the third A block class respond to a question from Mrs. Lundt.



"Walking down the 200 Hall to Shire's class is very exciting." --Sherman Brown

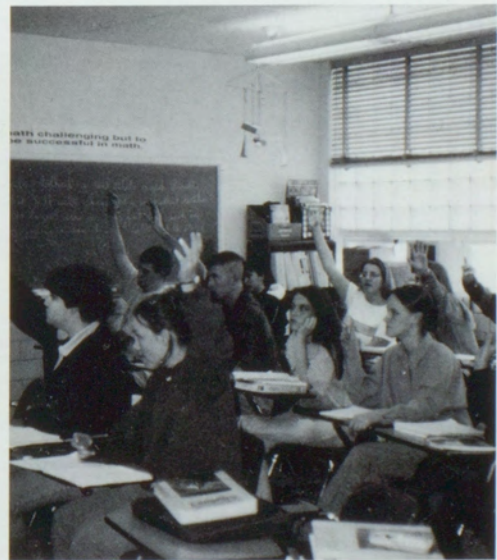
Sherman Brown, Mike Foster, Rusty Sorah, Micah Needum, Meaghan Lybarger and others laugh at Mr. Shire as he tells one of his popular jokes during class.



Junior Jennifer Coder expresses her views on the 200 hall as she walks into class just before the bell. For those who do not know, Mr. Coder, the American History teacher, is Jennifer's father.



# STUDENTS ENJOY CLASS!!!



# Math, Gym Break A Sweat

"Mr. Rutter, well..... he's a great teacher; but he needs to quit flirting with all the girls! Just joking with you Rutt!--Kim Metzger



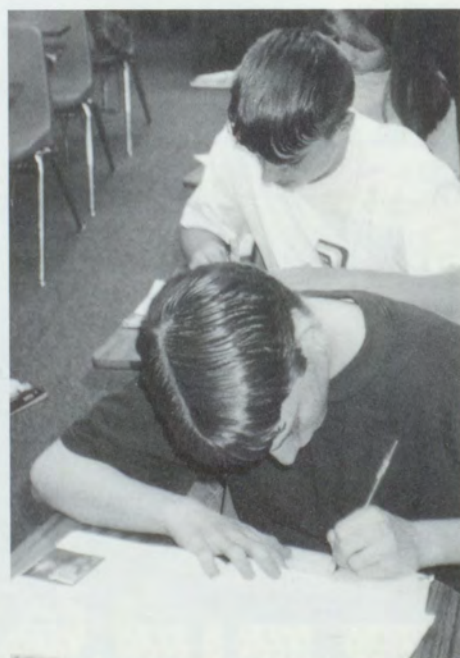
Michael Browning and James Hinman are in Mr. Shelton class working on a lab that he assigned for the day.



In Mr. Rutter's sophomore biology class, Amanda Johnson is asking a question while the rest of the class is taking notes to review for a test over the chapter they were currently on.



With a disgusted look on her face, Sarah Long a sophomore, in Mr. Rutter's biology class is dissecting a frog.



During the hour and an half time period at IHS, Mr. Hoose's class is takes advantage of the time and work on an assignment that is due for the next class period.

# Science Is Building Up

Three hundred hall is the home for many of the freshmen and sophomore lockers as well as for the math, science, physical education, and some special education classes. More important, however, for most students, is the presence of the "cookie stand" for the break time treats.

This hall will sometimes reek of the odors from the biology classes, the chemistry experiments gone awry, or the sweat of the gym classes. In spite of that, a lot of learning does take place. From the "dean of the hall," Mr. Shelton, to the newer teachers like Mr. Smith, the 300 hall has a wide range of representation of teaching to learning styles.

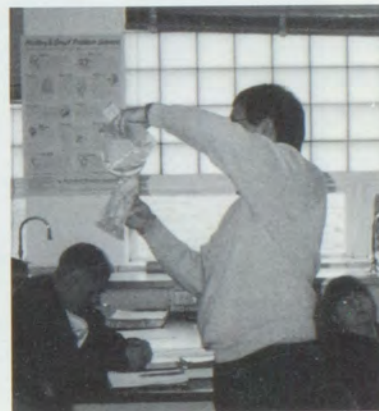
The end of the hall features both physical education and some of the special education classes. Some of the special education classes are conducted by Mr. Hollandsworth and Mrs. Rollings.

Mr. Nelson moved this year from teaching civics to teaching physical education joining Mrs. Speicher.

Will it work or not? Mr. Capes, pictured at the right, does a chemical reaction for his class as they patiently wait to see it work.



In Mr. Capes' Physics class, Nathan Epp puts some finishing touches on a bridge that is made out of spaghetti for their class project.



Pictured at the left: Roosevelt Lyons and Tamara Schicke listen carefully as Mr. Capes gives a lecture in one of his chemistry classes. These lectures could be important to the following lab work. Many students also take notes to enhance their ability to study for the following tests and class work.

# Wood Shop and Computer

"Wood shop is the only class in the High School, that you can tell a 50 year old man what you *are* going to do."

--Eric Phipps & Levi Holt



T.J. Wilson and Nick Morse work in an empty woodshop in order to complete a project. The two students are in the second year of the class and are working on the jigsaw which does intricate cuts.



Eric Phipps and Levi Holt concentrate hard in wood shop so they do not slip up and destroy their project or cut off a couple of fingers.

The 400 Hall classes are the most active in the school. These activities range from the skylab in science class to the empty classroom of 402, which was made into the new Internet Lab for USD District 446. These activities range from keyboarding to building gigantic wood shop projects, from creating a year-book to learning about engines.

The hall is crowded in the spring with the woodshop projects taking up room due to the lack of storage. The aroma of fresh sawdust often roams throughout the classrooms and hall during the projects development.



Above, Kelly Jewers and Clayton Follmer work on their assignments in one of Mr. Lusk's computer classes.



Above, Matt Baxter sands away at his prized project.



# Classes Pound Away!

"Join my computer and accounting classes! They're Great!" - Mr. Lusk



Above is T.J. Barnhart, Mr. Torbett, Kylee Fox, Alysha Greer, Tyler Gates, and Autumn Moulton in the "substitute" yearbook room. Due to remodeling in the 400 hall Mr. Torbett's class room has been converted into a new computer lab. So the yearbook was forced to temporarily move to room 401.



Austin Harris studies the screen in an attempt to run through the practice drills quickly and accurately. These are some of the main emphasises' in computer classes.

"Four hundred hall is okay because in yearbook class I get to be boss--if Tiffany Brown lets me. I consider being co-editor of the yearbook one of the highlights of my Independence High school career. Not only that, coming down to this hall gives me a chance to give my daily dose of harassment to Hayward." --Ryan Raven.

"I like having class in the 400 hall because it's always amusing to see Mr. Torbett toddling down the hall with a bag of animal crackers and a Pepsi in hand on his way to Yearbook class."

--Amber Finney



Caleb Adam, Abe Al-bureni, and Sam Weinberg tap away after returning from lunch.



The new computer room, pictured left, was constructed during the winter of the 1998 school year. In what was formerly the yearbook room and an English classroom, now stands as an internet lab and computer room. This room features the most up-to-date computers in the building and is scheduled for student use towards the end of the 1998-99 school year. Mr. Tinchler designed the layout of the room.

# Student Awareness in 500

"I enjoy orchestra very much because it is my last class of the day and I can do my homework." --Rebecca DeWoody

Sex to saxophones. Conflict to harmony. Fiddles to trombones. Shakespeare to television. The 500 hall at Independence High School offers the greatest diversity in the school.

This long hall-way has only four classrooms, two music, one for sexuality and conflict resolution, and one for everything from freshman English to media courses.

The lockers in this area of the school are most often inhabited by Juniors in the school. It also serves as a gathering point for students before school at noon and after school.

Mr. Martin is new at the school this year in the band department while Mr. Annable has returned to the USD 446 to teach high school vocal music.

Mrs. Thompson teaches all the sophomores during the year in sexuality class. One of the highlights of this class is the "babies" that the students carry in order to learn some of the responsibilities of parenthood. She also is in charge of the conflict resolution class which is designed to help the students out in case of disagreements which might lead to hurt feelings or even fights at school. This class learns a large number of methods of dealing with students who are having problems.

Mr. Annable has re-invented the Indy Ensemble and their largest contribution was the singing of Valentines throughout the community. Mr. Martin has been working on a stage band to perform for various groups and organizations throughout the community.

Mr. Hoyt is completing his third year at IHS and recently moved his family to a residence north of the Independence city limits and south of Neodesha.



Pictured above shows the IHS Band conducted by new band teacher Shawn Martin. The Band has done very well



Pictured above shows the IHS Orchestra playing well under the conduction of Mr. Hoyt.



Above shows Patrick Jewers video taping a wrestling match. He's doing this for Media class.



Picture above is Mary Henderson, Kristy Croom, Beth Follmer, Nathan Bunn, and Sara Beckham sitting in drama class listening while Mrs. Sheperd gives a lesson on proper ways how to act and to keep a audiences in suspense.



# Drama, Choir Gather in 500

"Conflict Resolution is a great class to take. It's fun to talk about problems we might have."--Krissie Talbot



Picture above Brad Rice, Jamie Lawrence, and Luke Emmot are paying attention to something interesting that Mrs. Thompson has to talk about in Conflict and Resolution.



Picture above is Beth Follmer is acting a part that she was assigned in a play in drama class. In this class the students learn to act in a lot of roles.



Pictured above is the Conflict Resolution class in a deep discussion. This class learns how to solve different problems.



Picture above is the freshmen choir rehearsing for their fall concert.



Picture above is the Independence High School chorus getting for the Fall concert. A lot of hard work and practice goes in to making a concert perfect.

# Art, Home Ec in 700 Area

The Independence High School art department and home economics department are located separate from the main academic building.

In the art area, two distinct sections are taught. Mrs. Unruh teaches the various painting, drawing and other one dimensional classes. Mr. Trouskie instructs ceramics, jewelry and the three dimensional courses.

Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Staton are the instructors in the home economics area. In this field, cooking and sewing and other classes dealing with consumer issues are taught.

All the art students enter projects in various contests, displays, and exhibitions. These range from the library display case to the Verdigris Valley Art Show, to the various lady's clubs, to the EXPO held every spring in the food service center.

The home economics classes take field trips to area hospitals, to view different types of housing designs, etc.



Cody Goins, above freshman, eats his pizza in which he made in Food for Modern Living.



Chris Williams, freshman, works with other members of his group on a project in Mrs. Taylor's Food for Modern Living class. Mrs. Taylor also teaches a variety of other cooking classes.



Another group works on a cooking project above. Sometimes students decided what they cooked.

# Activities Involve Students



Pictured above Ms. Unrue and an interested parent discuss artwork made by their students. Many parents attended this year's expo in hope of seeing just how hard their enrolled students were working this year. There were many examples of creativity ranging from shelves, cabinets, and gun cases, all the way up to building a boat.



Picture above, members of the IHS staff along with students attend the Expo held in the IHS cafeteria.

Of all the areas in the school the 700 Hall has the least concern about the yearly enrollment crisis. Most of the classes in this area are over-filled and some students have to look for other classes.

Another advantage of the 700 building is that it allows students to take a walk to the class and get some fresh air. However, in bad weather this is not always an advantage.

Tanner Holmes, senior pictured at right, discusses a painting on display at this year's Expo. Tanner is apparently in a large group of students in which were enrolled into Mrs. Worthington's art classes. Drawing, and painting were only a few of the topics covered in the art classes, and other classes in the 700 building.



# IHS Loses Two Veterans



Ann Schwatken, veteran Independence High School bookkeeper, closed out her career at the conclusion of the fiscal year. Mrs. Schwatken's primary responsibility had to do with the keeping of the books for the school and paying the bills.

However, like most school employees, her responsibilities extended beyond what the official descriptions detail. She also answered the phone in the office, answered questions from students and faculty, and helped out in other areas as needed.

Mrs. Schwatken's started in the school system on a short-term basis, working in the middle school library. However, this short-term job extended for over two decades.

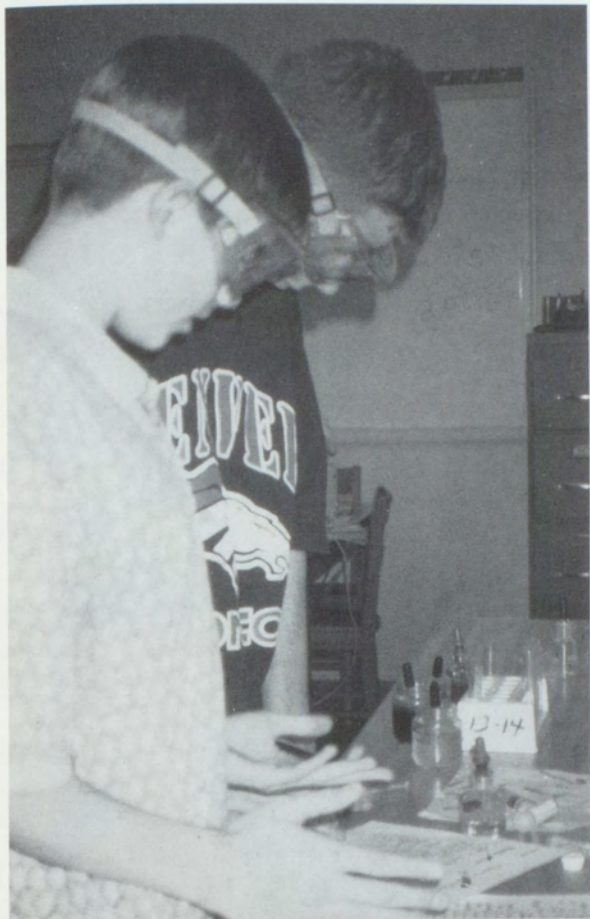
In retirement, Mrs. Schwatken plans to spend time with children, grandchildren, and all the projects started in the time she has had the part-time job. Her husband, veteran science teacher Ron Schwatken, retired three years ago.

Linda Tweedie, long-time special education instructor, has left the public school system after a number of years to continue to pursue her career working with people with special needs in a different capacity.

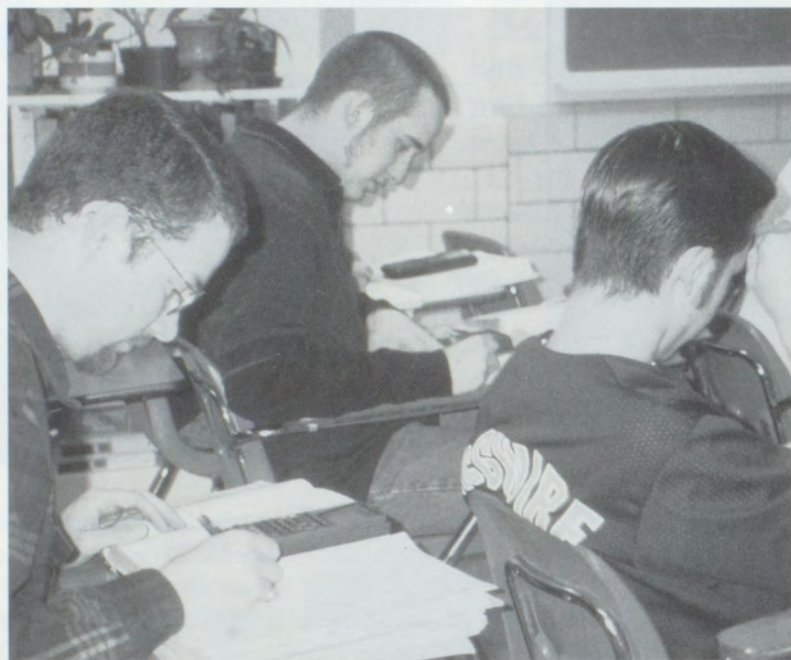
One of the many contributions she made to Independence High School was that of "Tweedie's Helpers." This group of very special students worked at making various seasonal arts and crafts to sell throughout the school and the community. Included was the Christmas wreaths, other season wreaths, and other projects appropriate for the time of year.



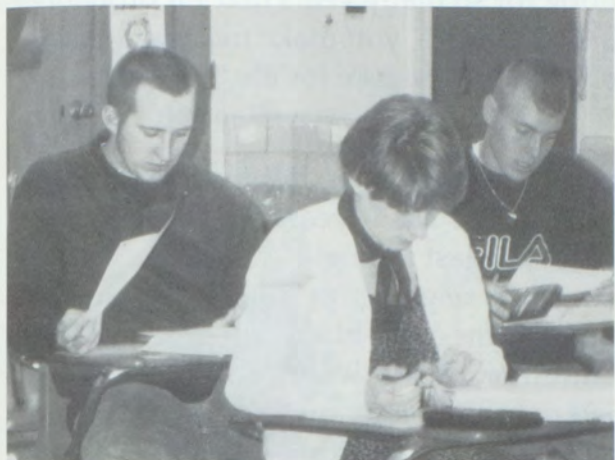
# A Look in Classes at IHS



# A Variety of Classes at IHS



# Classes teach skills to IHS



# Mrs. Brookshier to Retire

"Choosing retirement is bitter sweet. I've been a Bulldog for so many years that I'll probably still wear black and orange every Friday. I will miss all the students, you make me laugh, and the teachers, you keep me thinking. Time to see what else life has in store for me."--Principal Joanne Brookshier



Mrs. Brookshier monitors the hall while also running errands and talking to students and teachers about problems in school. Sometimes Mrs. Brookshier sits in the classrooms and observes what the teachers and students are doing. She also checks how the students and teachers are getting along and also to see how they are coping with the new eight block scheduling.



All throughout the season of basketball Mrs. Brookshier sat or stood and enjoyed watching the boys and girls play basketball. Mrs. Brookshier also went to these game to keep the students in line.

Mrs. Joanne Brookshier, Independence High School principal for 9 years, announced her retirement late last spring.

During her reign as principal, the school implemented the eight-block schedule, added a large number of students to the building, watched the technology building become part of the school curriculum, somewhat closed freshman lunch period, and numerous staff and course changings.

As she looks to retirement, Mrs. Brookshier is planning to spend more time with her grand daughter, daughter, and sons. She also plans on staying involved in a variety of ways in Independence.

As the staff and faculty reflect on her retirement, probably the most common statement and the biggest compliment is that "she cares for kids and she cares for the staff."



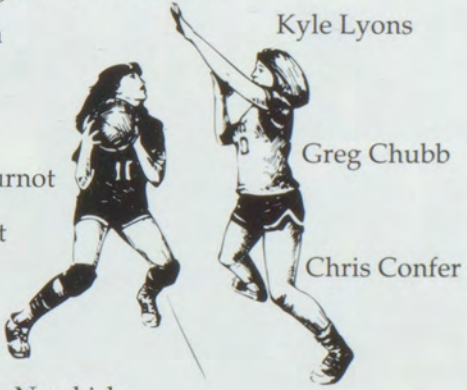
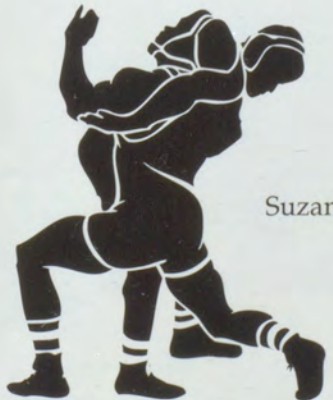


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 Jordan Paugh Chris Ellis Courtnee Demo  
 Kaven Chapman Amanda Root Kenya Avery Shonda Irving  
 Mark Spellman Alyssa Merritt Michael Hamilton Nathan Bolin Sara Doran  
 Brian Dennis Scott Wuerdeman Wayne Briggans Jim McMinn Kyle Lyons  
 Adam Cloe Michael Modich Arie Auxter  
 Christin Franklin  
 Cody Robertson Dwayne White Stacey Mitchell  
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 Austin Harris Amanda Torbett  
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 Stephanie Schroeder Lauren Oakleaf  
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 Matt Holum  
 Jessica Tyler Amanda Voth Ashley Parham Sherman Brown Tim Henderson  
 Branden Cox Derrick Darkis  
 Michelle Karleskint  
 Sherman Brown



# LONE SR. ON GIRLS TEAM

**"Being the only senior, I got to boss the little ones around, and I could outrun everyone else on the team."-- Michelle Karleskint**

This year was a year of new. The girls varsity basketball team, had to start from scratch. With the addition of their new head coach Brenda Shawley, the team also counted on a variety of younger girls to make this season a successful one. Not only did the girls get a new coach, but they also got to break in their brand new uniforms. This season also had an unusual twist to it since there was only senior girl on the team, Michelle Karleskint. The underclassmen, including even some sophomores, give the team a promising future as they have much valuable experience playing on the varsity level.



Above: "The Lone Senior", Michelle Karleskint soars out of the camera's sight during an away game at Yates Center. This year, Michelle was the only senior on the varsity squad, joined by a variety of youngsters from other classes.

Left: Junior Shonda Irving hustles up to help eliminate a variety of defenders surrounding teammate Megan Sackschewsky also during the away game versus the Yates Center girls varsity basketball squad. Earlier in the season, Megan was subdued to a period of awkwardness, due to the breaking of her finger in an early season practice.

Below: Junior Stephanie Schroeder participates largely in the offensive strategy for the team. Stephanie started all of the varsity games this year, and will be depended upon next year on her return to the Lady Bulldog varsity basketball squad.



Right: Coach Shawley seems to disagree greatly with a decision by the referee at an away game.



Below: Sophomore Johna Emmot, junior Jennifer Coder, and senior Michelle Karleskint all gaurd their man during a game with the Yates Center Wildcats. This year, one of the big advances was in the lady bulldogs defensive strategy. Throughout the year, the ladies won some, and they lost some but their spirit stayed high, as well as their steady rate of play. Next year will be a hopeful one for the lady bulldogs, in hope of making their season a very successful one.



The girls squad, above, huddles together during one of their time outs during an away game. The players are getting assignments from Coach Shawley. The bench players gather around to listen to the coach's advice in case they get into the game. Johna Emmot, number five, fixes her hair tie, while Amanda Torbett, 41, looks for her person to guard. Becky Mitchell, 44, listens to the coach and Jennifer Coder reaches for a drink of water during the time out.



1998 Girls Varsity Basketball Squad: Front- Coaches Brenda Shawley and Gina Botts. Standing-Megan Sackschewsky, Becky Mitchell, Stephanie Schroeder, Arie Auxter, Michelle Karleskint, Cassie Burchett, Shonda Irving, Amanda Torbett, Ashley Osborn.

# Girls J.V. Complete Season

**"This season was great! The best part was watching the varsity squad get kicked out of a game."**

**--Stacey Mitchell**



Mindy Thompson, sophomore, tries to evade a defender during an away game at Parsons High School.

Mary Henderson, sophomore, at right, takes a hook shot also during the game at Parsons.

The girls junior varsity basketball team, under the coaching of Gina Botts, completed another successful season.

All seasons have their own highlights and this one is no exception. The junior varsity was supported throughout the season by a large group of parents and the varsity team. On at least three occasions, this resulted in "happenings" at the games. Parents, varsity players, warnings to coaches, players, and fans all became part of the enthusiasm.

However, the season ended successfully.



Girls Junior Varsity Basketball Squad: L-R Mindy Thompson, Alyssa Merritt, Sarah Friend, Kristen Kelley, Roseanna Lee, Johna Emmot, Stacey Mitchell, Mary Henderson, Jordan Paugh.

# Frosh Learn IHS B-ball

"We really played well as a team this year. I hated it when we lose though, because everyone cried."

--Lauren Oakleaf, Freshman

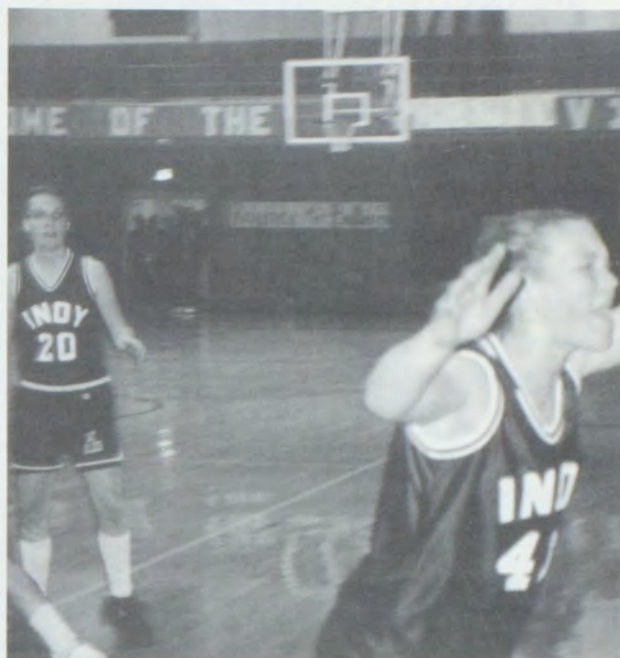
The freshmen girls basketball team enjoyed the greatest success of any freshmen team since the current juniors were freshmen.

Led by coach Annette McMillan, former Lady Bulldog head varsity coach, the girls improved through the year. However, one of the salwarts of the team Becky Wendt moved at the end of the year.

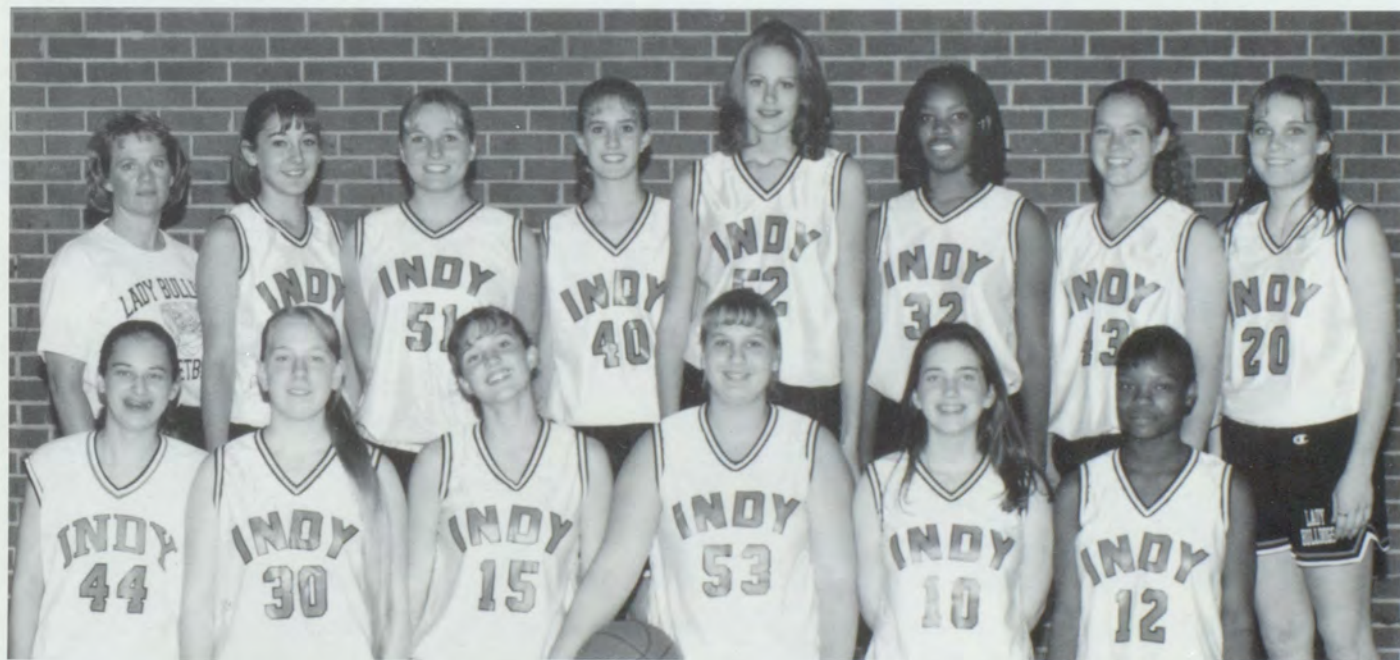
The girls had a difficult time adjusting to playing as a team and not having the large number of girls participating like they did at middle school. Also the girls got to go on longer road trips, eat the traditional Bulldog bags, and play at several tournaments.

Another feature of the freshmen year was that several of the team members had the opportunity to play on the junior varsity team against tougher opposition.

The success of the team will be determined as how the girls contribute to the success of the Lady Bulldogs in the future.



Becky Wendt frantically tries to guard an inbound pass during an away game vs. the Vikings in Parsons. Due to the never-ending effort by the freshmen girls, they won the game at Parsons, adding yet another win to the ladies record. Several of the girls hope to improve their skills even more by playing on the traveling team.



Freshmen Girls Basketball Front Row Michelle Alt, Brook Mills, Emily David, Jalayna Newkirk, Andrea Journot, Kenya Avery, Back Row Coach McMillan, Lauren Oakleaf, Beth Rink, Mary Kelly, Sara Doran, Abria Irving, Becky Wendt, Suzanne Peterson.



# Long Season for Boys Team

**"Basketball '98 was not the season we expected, but we grew together as a group. I wouldn't trade it for anything."** --Chris Confer

The 1997-98 boys basketball season started with great promise and seemed to end with a whimper. The highlight was the win against the state-ranked Fort Scott Tigers on the road.

The team featured eight seniors this year and this made it difficult for Coach Nelson to provide playing time for everyone and also to find the "right" combination of players. Another factor contributing to the team this year had to do with a large number of talented juniors available to play this year.

Coach Nelson had a new assistant this year. Former junior varsity coach Mark Hayward coached the junior varsity until he accepted the head football coaching job. He was succeeded by Jim Papen, IHS counselor. Mr. Papen had some coaching experience at Neodesha.

The team has high hopes for this year with a number of returning veterans.



Senior Steven Haines, pictured above, practices his three-pointers before a home game. Steven was a starter for the varsity team for the past two seasons. He participated in the IHS basketball program all four years of his high school career. Steven was also a Winter Homecoming candidate.



IHS Boys' Basketball team traditionally pose for a team picture, before the season, in the high school gymnasium. Pictured above front row (L-R) Wayne Briggans, Matt Howe, Nick Dailey, Steven Haines, Greg Chubb, Mark Stevens, Beau Schultz. Back Row (L-R) Tim Henderson, Scott Wuerdeman, Clement Kinnard, Jed Newkirk, Kyle Lyons, Sherman Brown, Derrick Darkis, Chris Confer.



# 1998 Season Ends too Early



Senior Jed Newkirk, pictured above, looks for the open man breaking under the basket in a game played at Losey Gymnasium. This game was played against Dodge City on a Saturday evening. Next year, the Bulldogs will travel the long distance out to Dodge City to play.

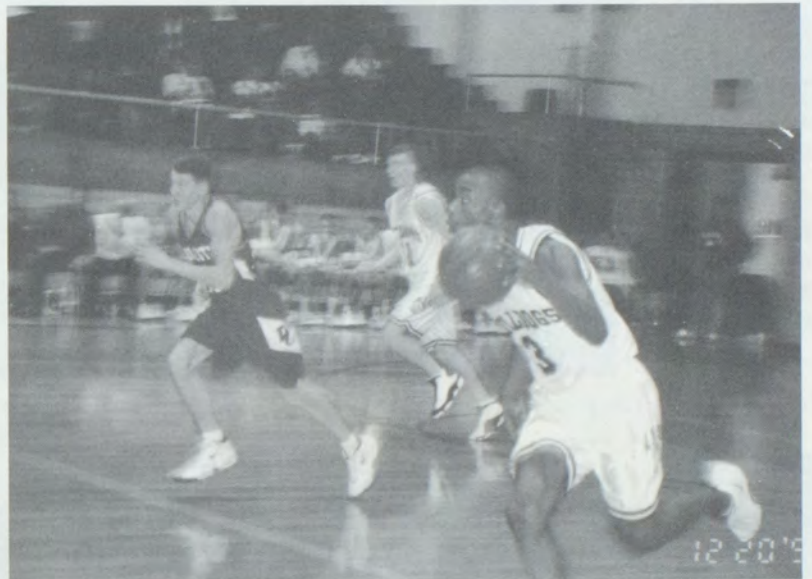


Senior Nick Dailey, pictured left, assumes the defensive stance in an early season game against the Pittsburg High School Purple Dragons. Nick completed his eligibility for the 'Dogs and served as a starter during part of the season. Defense plays an important role in Coach Nelson's coaching.

"Things got better personally near the end. It was too bad that it had to end so soon. Next year!"  
--Matt Howe

Sophomore Derrick Darkis, pictured right, hustles down the court at a home game against Dodge City. Derrick was a starter for the varsity team this season.

Senior Kyle Lyons, pictured below, attempts a dunk at a home game, but the only recorded successful dunk was the one made at Chanute. Kyle was also a starter for the varsity team.



Junior Clement Kinnard, pictured left, skies over a Pittsburg defender. Clement played both varsity and junior varsity this year. His playing time was hampered due to an injury at mid-season. The junior also started at quarterback on the football team during most of the season. Coaches are counting on his participation in sports next year.



# JV Boys Get New Coach

There should be a warning posted outside the boys junior varsity locker room that says: "Beware of towel swinging coach."

This cautionary note would be in reference to the new junior varsity coach Jim Papen. Mr. Papen succeeded longtime coach Mark Hayward.

The team started slowly this year before making a run at the end of the year to compile a winning season. This late season could be the success of Mr. Papen's towel swing episodes or it could be the result of the team getting accustomed to his coaching style.



Junior Matt Howe, pictured left, pulls up a key to set up the offense, as coach Jim Papen watches in the background. Matt also played on the varsity team.

Sophomores Nathan Bolin and Lewis Black with junior Scott Wuerdeman, pictured right, wait anxiously under the basket for the ball during a home game at the Ash Youth Center.



"Our JV season started out slow, but mid-way through the season our team pulled together and turned our season around. I'm very thankful for that since this was my last year playing with those guys." --Nathan Bolin, soph.



IHS junior varsity basketball team, front row (L-R) Theron Landwehr, Lewis Black, Matt Howe, Jason Linder, Kasey Wilson. Back row (L-R) Wayne Briggans, Derrick Darkis, Scott Wuerdeman, Sherman Brown, Nathan Bolin, Beau Schultz.



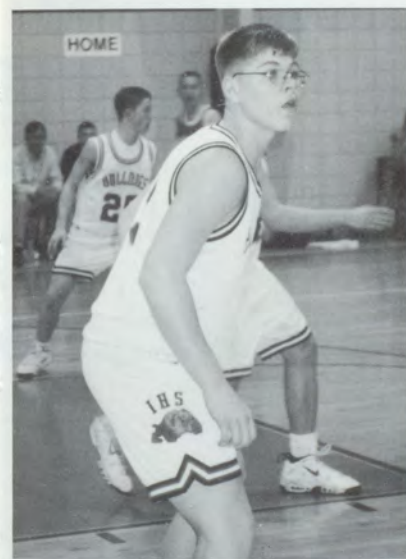


# Frosh Exposed to IHS B-ball

"It was a long, tough season, but we played hard and we eventually came out on top." -- Andrew Kadel, freshman



IHS freshman boys basketball team, front row: (L-R) Andrew Kadel, Jasper Durbin, Eli Gross, Kevin Briggans, Keith Hoose, DeWayne White. Back row: (L-R) Chris Branham, Tyler Knisley, Brian Dennis, Kaven Chapman, Tom Schultz, Abe Al-Bureni.



Freshman Chris Branham, pictured above, watches his man while playing defense at a home game taking place at the Ash Youth Center. Chris also played junior varsity.

The freshman squad gather around Coach Larry Hollandsworth for a pep talk between quarters during a home game held at Losey Gymnasium.

Freshman basketball is a big change for the guys coming to Independence High School. Instead of playing in the afternoon the team plays in the evenings prior to the varsity and junior varsity games. In addition to this, the players face the prospect of being cut to only about 15 players.

Coach Larry Hollandsworth has been in charge of the freshman team for a number of years. His main task is to get his young players playing as a team and learning some basic basketball fundamentals.

The freshmen generally practice in the high school gym after school. The games are played either at the Ash Center or prior to the varsity contests at Losey Gymnasium.



# Wrestlers Return To State

"We do know we were better than the basketball team."

--Chet Harlin

Independence High School wrestling program continued its gradual improvement under head coach Lance Lusk in 1998. This year five young men qualified for the state competition held in Wichita.

Of the state competitors, Aaron Heckman and Chet Harlin both won one match and lost two. John Wilson captured six place in the state. Frank King and J.J. McCallie both took fourth place in 5A wrestling.

In the years Mr. Lusk has headed the wrestling program, the school has consistently sent competitors to the state tournament. It is the goal of the coaching staff to send as many as possible to this level of competition.

Coach Lusk was again assisted by Carl Boldra, middle school instructor.



John Wilson, pictured above, is forced to temporarily sit out of a match due to the cut above his eye. Headgears are required in official matches, but do not prevent all injuries as shown here. John made his second state appearance this year but fell short of the championship match.



Front Row: James Hinman, Shane McCallie, Chris Beyer, J.J. McCallie, Austin Harris, Brandon Bailey, Sam Carnes  
Second Row: Skyler Rail, Jake Blurton, Mike Modich, John Boles, Ryan Baldassaro, Micheal Hamilton, Cody Robertson, Frank King, Brad Hall  
Third Row: Marcus Bryant, Matt Holum, John Wilson, Brian Denney, Josh Tucker, Brandon Cox, Mark Spellman, Jacob Sparks, Sam Hastings  
Fourth Row: David Hogan, Nathan Belcher, Chet Harlin, Blake Boyer, Jacob Viets, Aaron Heckman, Charles Beck, Isaac Belcher, Vernon Munkirs  
Not Pictured: Adam Barnhart



**"Wrestling takes a lot of hard work and dedication."**

**--Ryan Baldassaro**

Pictured to the right, junior Michael Modich prepares himself to attack his foe at an away meet.



Matt Holum backs out of a takedown attempt from his over anxious opponent. This year homecoming was held at this wrestling duel with the theme "My Heart Will Go On," as displayed in the background with hearts.



Wrestling tournaments can often be long and drawn out. Wrestlers have their own ways of killing time between their matches, since it can literally be hours between matches in the first and second rounds. Shown above, Aaron Heckman, J.J. McCallie and Matt Holum along with other varsity members chat on the mat awaiting their matches.



Coach Lance Lusk visits with his wrestling soldiers as they warm up before they take the mat. Coach Lusk's love for wrestling also extends to the WWF's (World Wrestling Federation) caliber, as he claims that "Stone Cold" Steve Austin is the baddest man alive.



Junior Chet Harlin is taken out of bounds by his Chanute Blue Comet opponent. Chet hopes to improve his record at state and go all the way to the championship match next year.



Sophomore Brandon Bailey is single legged by his Columbus adversary, as the referee counts up two points.



# Varsity Cheerleaders Work Hard...

**"Cheerleading has been great this year!"**  
**--Mindy Dye, senior**

Pictured at right:  
Back: Amy Watson,  
Amanda Voth, Jessica  
Tyler  
Middle: Ashley Blex,  
Kari Jordan  
Front: Mindy Dye,  
Amanda Root, Marci  
Gray.

The varsity cheerleaders were forced to operate this year with a limited number of participants. With wrestling, boys basketball, and girls basketball it was difficult to have the girls available at all contests.



However, the girls managed to send a representative squad to nearly every event.

Few people realize how dangerous cheerleading can be. Marci Gray, right, shows that the cheerleaders depend on each other and must have confidence in order to be safe in the various mounts. The risk of injury is always present and the squad must be in good physical condition.

Left to  
Right:  
Amanda  
Voth,  
Kari  
Jordan,  
and Amy  
Watson.



Left to Right: Marci Gray, Mindy Dye,  
Amanda Root, Amy Watson, Jessica Tyler,  
Kari Jordan, Amanda Voth.

# ...as Freshman prepare to move up.

"It was really fun, I wish more people would've tried out."

--Courtnee Demo



Pictured from left to right: Courtney Schlorholtz, Lisa Gruber, Courtnee Demo, Erin Brooks, Ashley Parham, Jennifer Sprague, Ashley Farmer, Hannah Dillon

Pictured from left to right: Courtney Schlorholtz, Jennifer Sprague, Courtnee Demo, Lisa Gruber

Freshmen cheerleaders face a difficult problem in that they have never cheered before, they had to raise money, and frequently performed in front of small crowds. However, the contribution of the cheerleaders is tremendous for the freshmen team and for the overall spirit in the halls of Independence High School. These cheerleaders were responsible for the fall sports and the winter sports. On the varsity level, the girls involved change at the beginning of the new season.



Pictured Left:  
Front: Lisa Gruber

Middle: Courtney Schlorholtz, Jennifer Sprague, Ashley Farmer, Erin Brooks

Back: Ashley Parham, Courtnee Demo, Hannah Dillon

# "My Heart Will Go On"

"For future King candidates; Don't forget something important like a picture!-- Senior Tim Henderson.



Senior Greg Chubb and junior Amanda Torbett, pictured left, enter the gym at the wrestling match to wait for the results of Homecoming King and Queen. When asked if he had a secret admirer, Greg answered, "Tyra Banks used to stalk me, until I got that restraining order." Amanda was asked what her ideal Valentine would be, she answered, "Me, Carmen and a bag of cheesy poofs."



Seniors Tim Henderson and Michelle Karleskint, pictured left, King and Queen of the IHHS Winter Sports Homecoming Ceremony start the procession out of the gym following the coronation activities. Tim's hat is something he will treasure for a number of years.

Senior Nick Dailey and junior Amanda Root, pictured right, wait anxiously for the crowning. When asked what her ideal Valentine would be, Amanda said, "A Tickle Me Elmo from Scott Wuerdeman." Nick was asked a number of questions but he couldn't remember them or what his answers were.



Senior Steven Haines and junior Megan Sackschewsky, pictured left, anticipate the decision for King and Queen. When asked what his favorite pick-up line was, Steven replied, "Did it hurt...when you fell from heaven?" Megan was asked who her ideal Valentine would be, she replied, "Leonardo DiCaprio in a bow."



Senior Aaron Heckman and junior Stephanie Schroeder, pictured right, walk in eagerly to hear the announcement of King and Queen. When asked what her conversation heart would say, Stephanie commented, "Operation Boogawolf has failed." Aaron was asked what his favorite pick-up line was, he commented, "If I said you had a nice figure, would you hold it against me?"



Two seniors were selected to be winter sports king and queen for Independence High School. Michelle Karleskint and Tim Henderson were crowned at one of the two home wrestling matches for the Bulldogs. The candidates presented their mothers with flowers as they entered the gymnasium. This activity was one of the culminations of the spirit week. The ten finalist for the Winter Sports Royalty are selected by the winter sports teams. The teams then narrow the list to the finalists. The student body selected the queen and king by popular vote.

Connected with this was the various dress-up contests and the sign making contest. The juniors won the sign making contest by keeping in the "spirit" of the rules of the contest. The signs were judged by community people outside the school.

An important part of the coronation are the flower girl and crown bearer. This year these roles were filled by Aubrey Near and Cameron Schicke.



# Many Banquets Finish Year

"The dinners are nice and necessary to give honors."  
--IHS Student

Other than the Christmas season, the last few weeks of school offers more activities for dinners and parties than any season.

The yearbook staff has tried to capture only three of these to represent the many different types of occasions. The traditional Academic Honors Banquet and the Athletic awards banquet are two of these. The other is the annual teacher's association banquet. This was chosen because Mrs. Jean Lundt, IHS math teacher was selected as Master Teacher for the current school year.

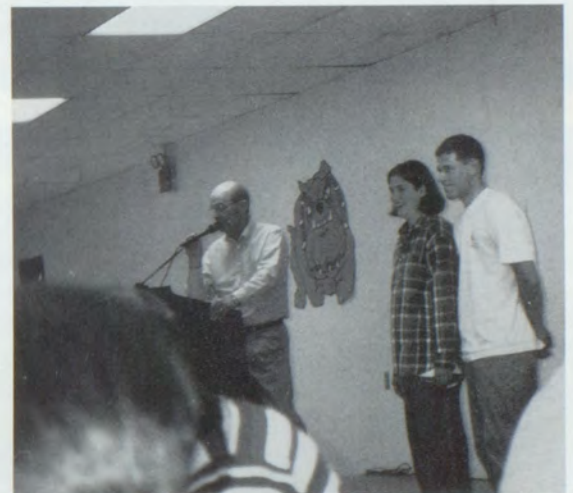
Of necessity, a number of other end of the school year occurrences could not be covered in the yearbook. Some of these include the school cook-out, the banquet of the Kay Club, and meetings of other groups and organizations.



Mrs. Lundt and Kathy Raub (the school nurse) claps and watches as an award is being handed out.



Shermon Brown receives an award from Mr. Runge at the Academic Banquet.



Michelle Kareskint and Chris Confer wait as Mr. Lee announces the award their about to receive.



Picture to the left is several student, teachers, and family members eating and enjoying a dinner at the Independence High School Academic Honors Banquet, on May 4, 1998.

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-John Elway, Quarterback

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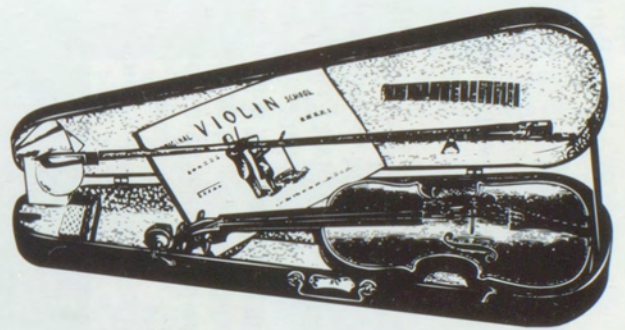


Flute



Baritone

Viola



Clarinet

Mr. Hoyt

Drums

Saxophone

Tenor

Cello





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 Travis Crain, Philip Newkirk, Nathan Belcher, Nathan Shire, Kara Kimble, Eric Alexander, Victoria Lowdon, Alysha Greer  
 Fifth Row: Lola Radcliff, Justin Hoffman, Sarah Ross, Jeri Ann Alexander, Jennifer Hackett, Amy Haley, Stephen Swenson, Lee Pate, Matt Kent, Levi  
 Meadows, Annie Tull, Jon Roberts, Cassie Burchett, Brian Mitchell, Matt Van Dyne, Ben Kaiser, Ivory Porter, Michelle Uitts  
 Fourth Row: Nicole Stamps, Sarah Devore, Kathy Glover, Brittany Bell, Jennifer Jewers, Jessica Mayes, Teri Britti, Amanda Gudde, Tina Ortega, Isaac  
 Belcher, Kelly Long, Ashley Potter, Amanda Gann, Kellie Jewers, Jill Friesen, Marcus Bryant, Elisha Miles  
 Third Row: Heather Meadows, Andrea Journot, Patrick Jewers, Amber Finney, Ashlee Gates, David Jenkins, Chris Ellis, Drew James, Jason Clubine, Amy  
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 Second Row: Jennifer Berry, Brandy Carter, Stephanie Elilis, Meghan Hardy, Sara Beckham, Ashley Farmer, Laura Schaid, Deirdre Yaus, Ashley Sutton,  
 Marci Moore, Kim Metzger, Roxy Estes, Shannon White, Ruthe Hinman  
 Front Row: Amber Robinson, Niesha Martin, Sarah Kersey, Erica Rasmussen  
 Not Pictured: Rob Herrmann, Jimmy Reynolds, Carla Jacobs, Joe Van Pelt, Jennifer Tucker, James Schwarz

# Concert & Pep Band play on

"The last four years in band have been an awesome experience. I have learned to respect music and others and have fun at the same time. Have fun in the future." -Ruthe Hinman



Ruthe Hinman, above, directs the pep band at a basketball game. Ruthe was head drum major this year while Jennifer Berry was her assistant drum major.



Jennifer Berry, Laura Schiad, Sarah Ross, & Cassie Burchett, above, work intensely to cover all parts of the percussion section.

"Band has been a great experience. This year I have learned to hide my Pepsi when I drink it, because Ruthe will take it away."

-Jon Roberts



Pictured above, the IHS Pep Band, Tina Ortega, Amy Vineyard, Jennifer Jewers, Ruthe Hinman, Teri Britt, Meghan Hardy, Amy Haley, Roxy Estes, Travis Crane, Eric Marr, Mark Van Dyne, Hedi Lane, Eric Alexander, Kellie Jewers, Phillip Newkirk..



# Mr. Martin Points to Success

"It's been an interesting year, I've had to adjust to a new band, the band has had to adjust to a new director, and we all have had to adjust to a new schedule." -Mr. Martin



No doubt who is in charge of this band, pictured above Mr. Martin gives directions to the band members.

A new year. A new band teacher. Probably the greatest adjustment the Independence Band had to make this past year was the addition of Shawn Martin as band director. He succeeded Don Farthing who retired after many years at IHS.

Mr. Martin's first year biggest contribution to the success of the band concerned personal responsibility and enjoying music. In the responsibility section of the learning, he taught the band the importance of listening to him and his instructions and the necessity of each individual cleaning up his own mess each day. The enjoyment of music centers around learning about a variety of styles and different types of music and making the students appreciate all music.

In the next few years Mr. Martin will put his own personal stamp on the band as he will quietly change parts that he feels need to be changed and the band will start to reflect his personality. He will have a strong nucleus to work with as most the seniors return.



Carla Jacobs, Deirdre Yaus, Ashley Potter, Teri Britt, Jennifer Hackett, pictured above, concentrate and play at the same time.



Eric Alexander, pictured above, plays the trumpet during pep band at a basketball game. Eric is new to the band this year.



# IHS Orchestra: What a Team!

IHS orchestra enrolled 38 students this year. The students are named below divided by instrument.

1st Violin: Arie Auxter, Kim Bailey, Jeanne Clark, Jennifer Coder, Jessica Gudde, Kari Jordan, Abby Knisley, Valerie Landwehr, Angie McDaniel, Amanda Sheets, Amanda Torbett, Melanie Vineyard

2nd Violin: Sarah Allen, Jennifer Berry, Tamara Bruner, Jessie Castorena, Colleen Connelly, Angela Ewing, Clayton Follmer, Christin Franklin, Emily Friend, Laura Kaiser, Amy Kemp, Joshua Meadows, Desiree Pouncil, Jennifer Ramsey, Melanie Ross, Amanda Smith, Laura Swearingen, Holly Thomsen

Viola: Rebecca Edwards, Laura Miller

Cello: Shanna Berry, Liane Eisenbart, Jonathan Mullinax, Jennifer Tucker

Bass: Rebecca Dewoody, Nathan Bolin



Above is the Orchestra class picture. From left to right starting at the bottom: Jennifer Coder, Amanda Torbett, Abby Knisley, Arie Auxter, Jeanne Clark, Kari Jordan, Laura Miller, Shanna Berry, Angie McDaniel, Jennifer Ramsey, Rebecca Edwards, Angela Ewing, Jennifer Tucker, Melanie Vineyard, Jessica Gudde, Kim Bailey, Amanda Sheets, Amanda Smith, Liane Eisenbart, Holly Thomsen, Amy Kemp, Laura Swearingen, Emily Friend, Christen Franklin, Clayton Follmer, Jennifer Berry, Josh Meadows, Laura Kaiser, Sarah Allen, Jonathan Mullinax, Valerie Landwehr, Nathan Bolin, Rebecca Dewoody.



Abby Knisley is pictured above playing her violin. Abby has been playing her violin for six years.



Pictured above is Rebecca Edwards playing her viola and concentrating hard.



Dr. Zhou from Pittsburg State University came to play for the orchestra in December.



Mr. Hoyt helps Nathan Bolin, above, to tune his bass.



This year the orchestra has taken new strides under the leadership of Mr. Hoyt. Orchestra can be a team sport, just like any other, Mr. Hoyt believes. In order to achieve this goal the orchestra has been participating in many new group activities.

Some of these new activities can be attributed to the time available due to block scheduling. These projects include working on individual sections, having guest musicians work with the class members, and being able to play longer on an individual piece during the class. This increased time has raised the expectations for outstanding ratings at the music contests at the end of the year.

Mr. Hoyt moved closer to Independence this year and his son is enrolled in the high school. His wife commutes to Pittsburg where she is employed as a music instructor.

The orchestra plays for various occasions throughout the school year which include: weddings, dinners, music club meetings and more. These chances to play in front of a captive audience have improved the orchestra immensely.

Pictured at the top of the page is Mr. Hoyt as he tunes a violin. Many of the students depend upon Mr. Hoyt to properly tune their instruments. Behind Mr. Hoyt you can see his motto.

Laura Miller, pictured above right, plays her viola during class. Laura is one of only two violists and is a junior. She is shown playing Serenade in D Minor.

Valerie Landwehr and Amanda Sheets are pictured at right while playing their violins. Both ladies are seniors and are enjoying their seniority in orchestra. Seniors get the first choice of seats and rule of the class.





Emily Friend and Melanie Ross are pictured at left playing their violins. Both students are 2nd violin players in the IHS orchestra.

"This is my last year in orchestra and I'm really going to miss the camaraderie."

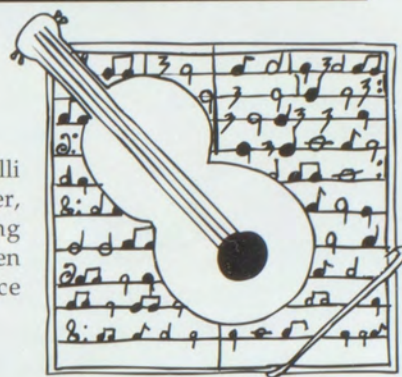
Nathan Bolin

"I have grown musically during my four years in the orchestra. The lessons I have learned here will help me throughout my life. I will really miss the class and Mr. Hoyt."

Valerie Landwehr



The orchestra has four celli this year. Jennifer Tucker, pictured left, is among these four. She has been playing the cello since Middle School.



The orchestra takes a break every day about half way through class. Many of the orchestra students like to goof off to relieve the tension that builds up while they play. Pictured at left is Arie Auxter impersonating a drinking fountain during the break.



The time between songs in orchestra class means the students must find the next song and prepare for another rehearsal. The violins, above, prepare to lead the orchestra in the next song. Sophomores Jennifer Ramsey, Melanie Ross, Mandy Smith and Laura Swearingen all wait for the next song.



# Concert Choir Performs

"Concert choir was fun because there was no homework." --Michelle Thompson

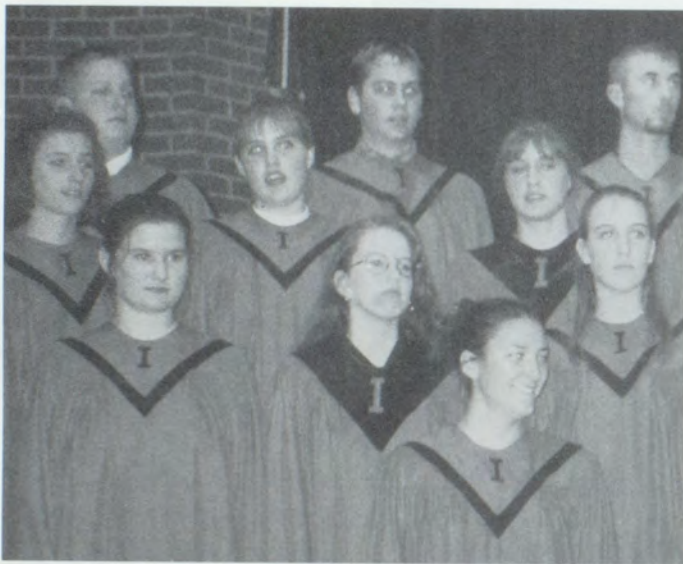
The Independence High School Concert Choir opened the year with a new face for an instructor--Mr. Larry Annable. For many years Jodie Russell served as director. Last year she left for the first semester to pursue education but returned during the second semester. Mr. Annable was hired to fill the vacancy.

However, Mr. Annable was not a stranger to the singers since he had previously been instructor in the Independence Middle School.

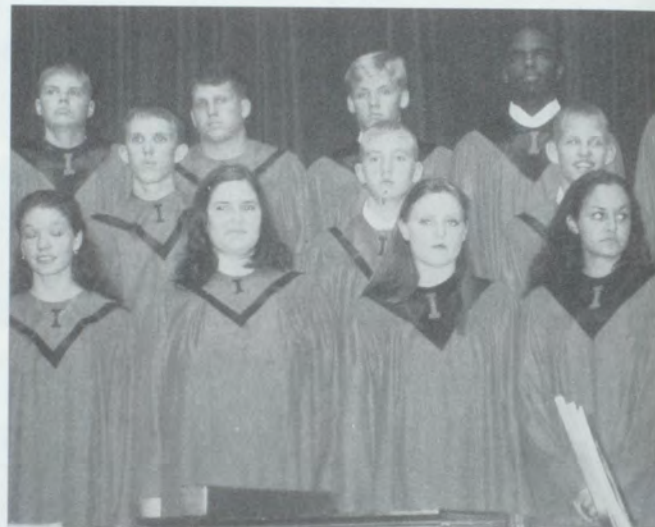
The Concert Choir performs in a number of public audiences. The annual Christmas concert, the spring concert, the fall concert are only three of the opportunities. The most important, however, is the annual state music contest held this year at Pittsburg State University.



The IHS choir prepares for the spring award concert, which is mixed with sophomores, juniors and seniors.



Kelly Long and Bonnie Shelton prepare to start singing when their cue is given.



Shannon White, Sarah Long and Katharina Gamsriegler wait for their cue from Mr. Annable.

Mr. Annable conducts the Independence Concert Choir at the Spring Award Concert at the Independence High School in the auditorium on May 14, 1998. The concert choir sang three selections for the audience.





# Freshmen Give Concerts

**" Mr. Annable made it very interesting with all his facial expressions." -- Tiffany Paterson**

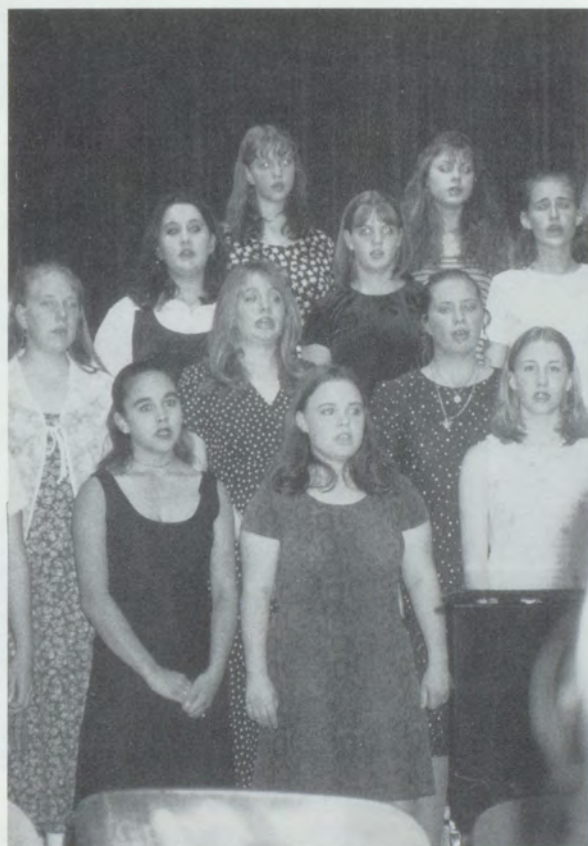
The freshman choir is a transition period from the middle school to the activities of the high school music department.

These young, aspiring musicians are under the direction of Mr. Larry Annable. Many students enroll in Freshman choir because of the comparative shortage of freshmen elective courses. However, there are always those students who discover they don't like the discipline of the the music field.

The choir sings at the various concerts during the school year and for other special occasions in the school.



Senior Meghan Hardy plays the piano during the Spring Awards Concert, while the freshmen choir sings behind her.



Freshmen Jamie Shank and Candace Rodriquez sang during the spring concert.



Eli Gross and Christina Ortega wait for a cue from Mr. Annable to start singing.



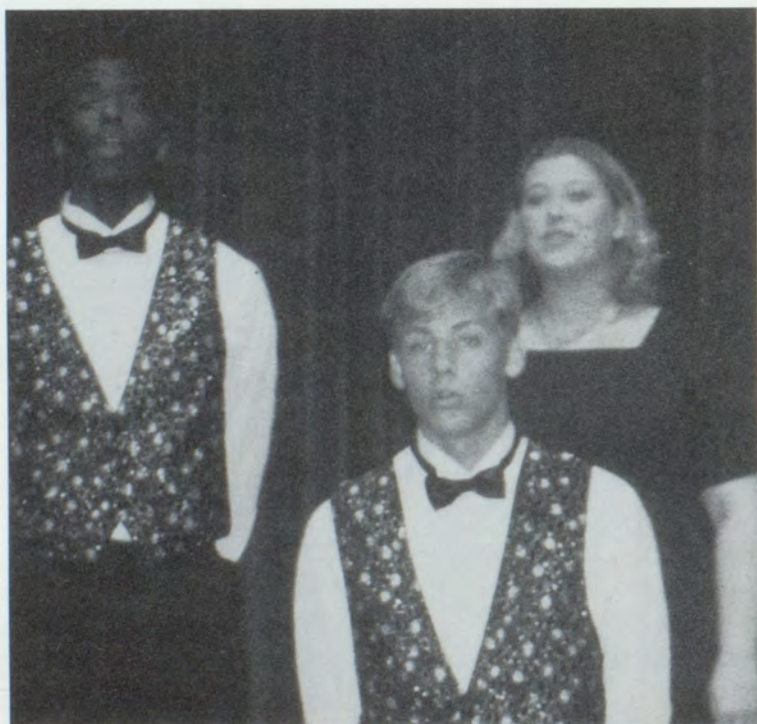
# Indy Ensemble Sings On

"I liked performing for people in Independence."

--Misty Robinson



The Indy Ensemble includes: Jodi Lankard, Jordan Paugh, Chris Confer, Matt VanDye, Kelly Drankhan, Misty Robinson, Tim Henderson, Josh Overfield, Amy Tate, Mary Beth Mayes, Jed Newkirk, and Jeremiah Johnson.



Tim Henderson, Josh Overfield, Amy Tate, and Mary Beth Mayes await their cue.

The Indy Ensemble underwent many changes during the year. Larry Annable, formerly instructor from the Middle School, returned to the Independence school system to teach high school and help with some coaching responsibilities.

Another change was the use of a live accompanist instead of taped music. This allowed for more creativity and individuality within the musical programs.

Another change was really an addition. In a method of raising money the group "delivered" singing valentines across town. The response was so overwhelming that the Indy Ensemble had to stop taking orders because all the time slots were filled.

Also, the group was less involved in choreography this year and more involved in the music.

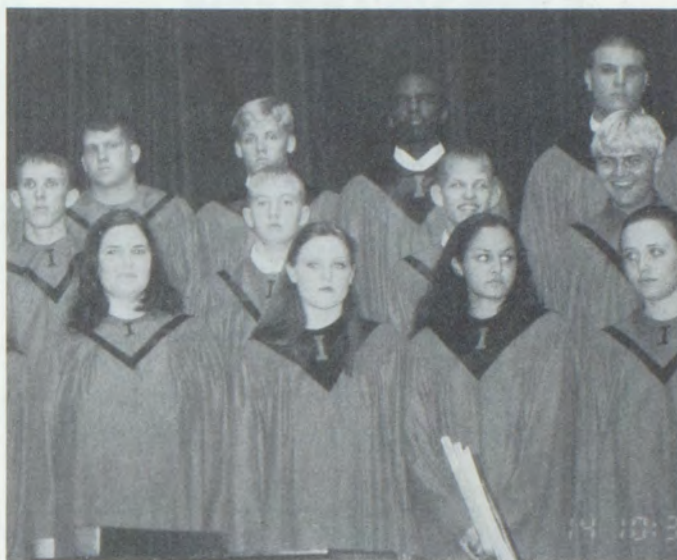


Josh Overfield, Amy Tate, Mary Beth Mayes, Jed Newkirk, and Jeremiah Johnson singing while Diana Akine plays the piano

# Music Of All Kinds At IHS



Pictured above, members of the IHS Orchestra take a break to pose for a group shot. The Orchestra also held a spring concert this year, in which they were accompanied by the band.



Pictured above, members of the choir prepare to sing their next song at the concert held this spring in the IHS Auditorium.

"Being in the music program at IHS has been a wonderful experience. Band has taught me a lot of self-control and dedication."

--Alysha Greer Junior 1998



Above, the Pep Band performs during one of the pep assemblies held this year at IHS. The band performed the IHS fight song, along with some other Bulldog spirit songs to get the crowd ready for the home game that evening.



Above, Jon Roberts and Jared Riley along with the other members of the band, march off the field at a home football game this fall. *Earth, Wind, & Fire*, was the showtune this year. Ruthe Hinman was the drum major, while Jennifer Berry assisted her with leading the band.

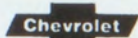
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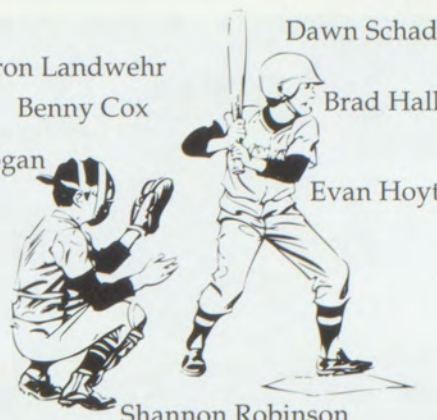


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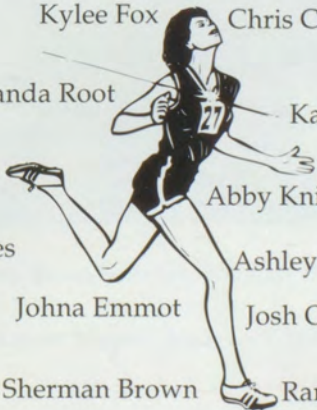
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# State A Goal For Baseball

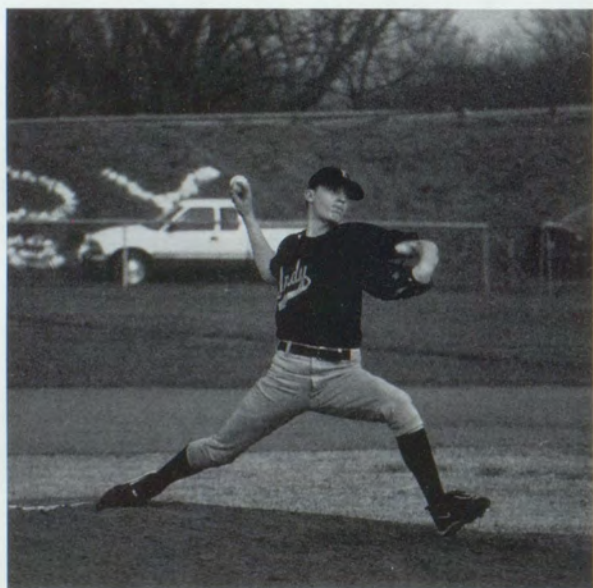
**"There were a lot of different things compared to last year, but I am looking forward to playing ball in college."--Mark Stevens**

The 1998 Bulldog baseball season ended earlier than the team hoped as a return trip to the state tournament did not happen.

The team played under the guidance of first year coach Danny Ellis and his assistant Bob Marcum.

Stellar performances by Chris Confer, Steven Hainies, Beau Schultz, Ron Cooper, and many others allowed the team to be competitive in many games.

**"This season was a good way to finish my high school career, but state would have been the best."--Ron Cooper**



Senior Steven Hainies whirls his fastball at Emerson field as the double header heads into late innings. Luckily the facility has lights for Independence games, since many games start in the late afternoon.



The varsity squad huddles around Coach Ellis during a game against Chanute. The time between games in the double headers is often used to discuss strategy as the team is doing here.



Junior Levi Meadows takes advantage of a break during a game, and invades the water fountain.

Baseball can be a frustrating sport because of the frequent rain outs and game postponements.



An Independence batter takes the first pitch of the second game of the double header against Columbus.

“As a senior I planned to just have a good time and go as far as possible towards our goal of state.” -- Josh McClain

“Baseball was a good time this year. Besides getting rained out and the hot practices, we had a great year.” -- Chris Confer



Front row: Nathan Soltice, Levi Meadows, Beau Schultz, Marcus Bryant, Micheal Modich, Steven Haines, Jamie Lawrence, Matt Howe.

Back row: Clyde Gibbs, Coach Ellis Aaron Meyer, Josh McClain, Micah Needham, Chris Confer, Ron Cooper, Mark Stevens and Tim Reed.



# JV Baseball Runs For Home

“Playing on the JV team my freshman year was fun, but now I am ready to move on to Varsity.” -Eli Gross Freshman



Pictured above, members of the JV boy's baseball team warm up before a home game here in Independence. The JV boy's team played their games behind Independence High School.

“This year our JV team was made up of quite a few freshman, but they gave it their all and really focused on the team.”

--Tyson Oakes Junior 1998



Number 24 for the Bulldogs hits a line drive which would turn into a double.



Pictured above, From left to right back row, Scott McMillin, Coach Ellis, Clyde Gibbs, Josh Tucker, Tyler Knisley, Tyson Oakes, Dwayne White, Bob Markham, Tom Schultz, Front row from left to right, Eli Gross, Cody Goins, Keith Hoose, Jasper Durbin, Travis Dunham.





# JV Softball Improves Season

"It has been great, we really came together as a team. Next year should be awesome."--Angela Eriving



Stacy Mitchell tracks down a base hit placed down the third base line.

"I am looking forward to being back next year, and to do even better."  
--Emilea Friesberg



Pictured above, the Independence girls score in a run as the batter accels towards first base.

Being on any JV team is a hard task, with no exception to softball, since the varsity guys are playing at the same time. The JV girls showed their coachs they are ready for next year, and are ready to claim a varsity position.

"Next year will be even better, if possible."  
--Stephanie Wilson



# IHS Softball Back to State



Emilea Freisberg, above, makes a crucial tag to keep the runner from advancing to second base. This is Emilea's first year to play on the varsity team. Emilea has participated on the IHS softball team for two years.



Stephanie Wilson and Roxy Devore a pitcher and catcher, respectively, have thrown out many batters and runners. Stephanie Wilson has been pitching for the varsity team for two years. Roxy Devore, one of two seniors on the IHS softball team, has been playing for the team for four years and has also caught for the team for four years. Roxy and Stephanie also play for the Indy Flames during the summer.

"We had our ups and downs but it all came together when it needed to. To go to state three years in a row is a great accomplishment. Maybe we can make it past the first round."

Becky Mitchell,  
Junior



Back row- Beth Rinck, Kristen Kelley, Erica Woolard, Becky Mitchell, Michelle, Karleskint, Stephanie Wilson, Kylee Fox. Front row Ashlee Farmer(manager), Stacey Mitchell, Emilea Freisberg, Roxy Devore, Abby Knisley, Angela Ewing, Jennifer Coder, Ashlee Gates(manager). Coach- Craig Null Assistant Coach- Doug Rinck.

# Team Features Two Seniors

The girls softball team travelled to the State Tournament for the third straight year, overcoming a season that produced a losing record.

In an upset at Coffeyville, Bulldog ladies defeated Pittsburg for the right to attend the state championship tournament.

Roxy DeVore and Michelle Karleskint were the only two seniors on the team that featured a bevy of juniors, a couple of sophomores, and couple of freshmen. The team fared well behind the pitching of Stephanie Wilson.

"We really came together towards the end of the season. The team stepped it up at regionals when it mattered the most. When something would go wrong we would practice, practice, and practice to overcome the small things. I enjoyed playing this year, and look forward to next year."--Mendi Clark

Roxy Devore, Abby Knisley, Becky Mitchell, Jennifer Coder, and Emilea Friesberg, below, come into the dugout after a inning in the field. The group of girls played an important role for the IHS softball team.



Pictured above, Michelle Karleskint and Emilea Friesberg get down and ready for a play. Michelle has been playing softball for IHS for four years. Michelle has helped the team throughout the years playing on third base.



Pictured above, Becky Mitchell and Jennifer Coder both go after the ball as Becky makes the play for the Bulldogs. Becky and Jennifer have both played two years on the varsity team.



Angela Ewing, pictured above, was a pitcher for the IHS varsity and junior varsity team. She has been pitching for the IHS team for three years.



# Girls Dominate Meets

**"This year I ran better than last, probably because Cranor and Mosely got me to eat the right foods."--Amanda Root**

The Independence girls track team placed high in nearly every event this year, and won several meets. Since there was so much competition, a JV and varsity were never really established, because often times different girls would win the spot.

**"Well, running track was real, and it was fun, but at times when I could not breath, it wasn't real fun."--Emily David**



A tired and breathless Bulldog talks to Coach Hayward as she may have suffered an injury during the sprint.



A fellow Bulldog watches the other as she soars into medal contention in the longjump.



Amanda Root climbs out of the sand pit after making her best jump of the day. Amanda often cleaned her shoes, since she later ran in the sprinting events.

# Set Example For Others



Hillary Sherwood focuses in on her next hurdle as she clears the first. Hurdles are often ran either 100 or 300 yards, depending on the meet.



A lady Bulldog sprints towards the sandpit in the longjump at a home track meet.



These three girls start off practice with a one lap run to warm up before sprinting and practice begins.

**"Many people ask me why I go out for a sport where the main purpose is to run. I really don't have an answer for them, since running is punishment in their sport."**

**-- Jamie Shaw**



# Boys Tracksters Run Amuck



This year, the boys track team was full of wins and losses. Some of the boys participated in events at the regional and state level of competition. Throughout the season, the boys went on many road trips and had many long nights of speeding down the track as a result. It's hard to say exactly what they do in track, so I'll make it simple, they just run, o.k.!

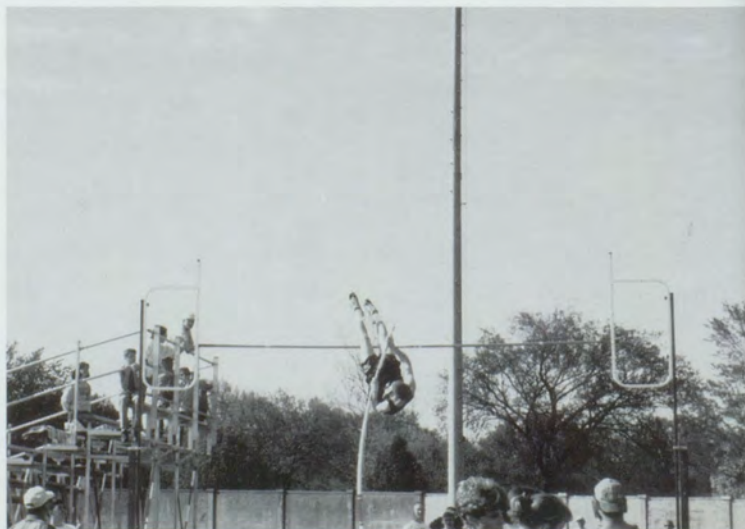


**"I'm looking forward to my junior and senior year as a bulldog, and not a tornado!" -- Jacob Viets Sophomore**

Very Top: Adam Harris, junior, and Amanda Root, junior, stretch to prepare for one of their many races during an Independence track meet. Amanda Root went on to participate in the track events at the state level.

Above: A freshman member of the Independence High School track team helps during one of the meets at Kayo Emmot Field, this year. Many of the track team members who weren't participating were asked to help out with things such as concession stands and setting up for different races.

Right: Seth McClure, senior, goes for a run at the pole vault. Pole vault is a difficult event for many.





David Elliott, junior takes off in the lead of one of his races, above. David competed in the regional track events, after being struck by a car.

One of the Indy pole vaulters soars over the top during one of the events at the Independence track meet, at right.



Back row: Jacob Viets, Derrick Darkis, Nathan Bolin.  
 Middle row: Danny Lee, Jed Newkirk, Seth McClure, David Elliot, Josh David, Aaron Heckman, Tim Henderson, Skyler Rail, Adam Barnhart.  
 Front row: Walter Amick, Luke Emmot, Adam Harris, James Hinman.

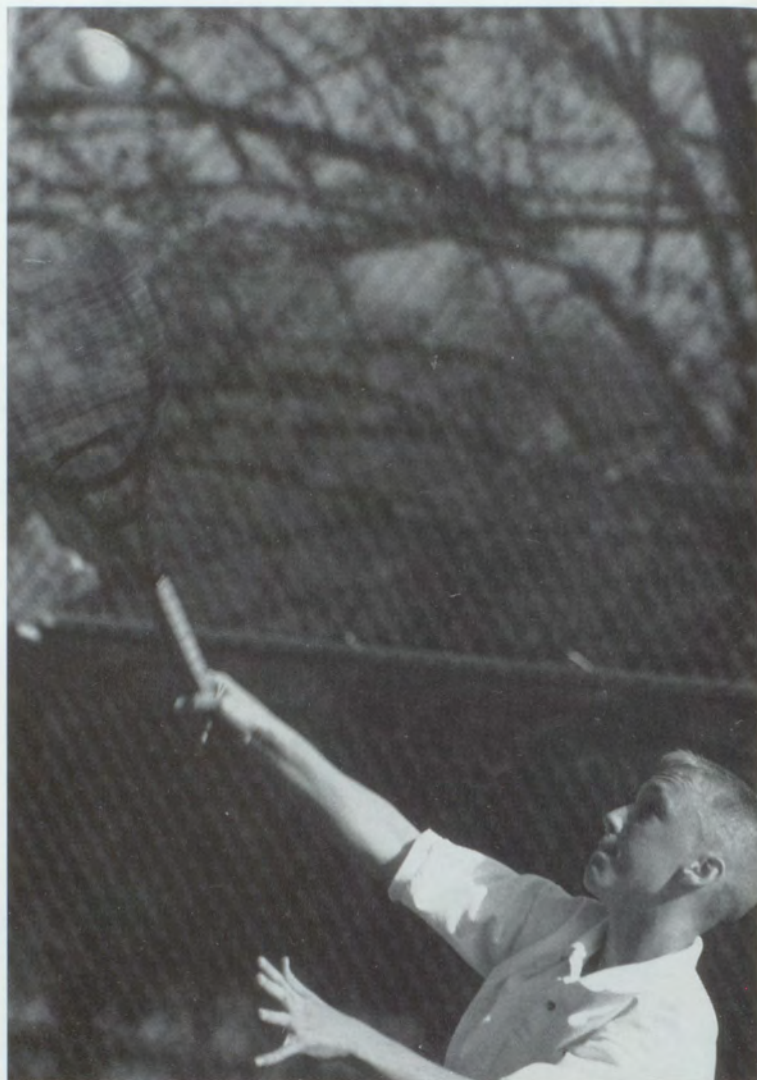
# Tennis Team Dominates SEK

"Tennis has taught me a lot of experiences. I hope college tennis is just as fun as high school tennis."

--Justin Hoffman, senior



Junior Scott Wuerdeman, above, sits in the bleachers and mentally prepares for his doubles match at SEK.



Sam Carnes, pictured right, practices his serve in preparation for Regionals in Winfield. Sam was the only freshman to go.



Jacob Sparks, pictured above, works on his serve at practice. Coach Brown emphasizes a high toss on their serves, and Jacob is accomplishing this.

Senior Ben Schlorholtz, pictured right, returns a serve at practice. Ben has played IHS tennis for all four years of his school career.





# For Ninth Year Straight

"Tennis is a lot of fun and I'm looking forward to next year."

-- Scott Wuerdeman, junior



Doubles partners Sherman Brown and Ben Schlorholtz use their time in between matches to discuss strategy with Coach Ken Brown, pictured left, at the SEK tournament in Independence held at the Riverside Park Tennis Courts.

"I enjoyed my first year of tennis at IHS. It was very exciting to be the only freshman that got to go to Regionals. Hopefully next year I will make it to State."  
-- Sam Carnes, freshman

The Independence High School Boys Tennis Team won the SEK League Championship for the ninth straight year by dominating at the league tournament at the Riverside Tennis Courts.

Under Coach Ken Brown the Bulldog netsters managed to dominate both the singles and doubles competition. The team then travelled to Winfield for the regionals.



The IHS boys tennis team, back row (L-R) Clint Roulston, Ben Schlorholtz, Brian Denney, Jacob Sparks, Sherman Brown, Scott Wuerdeman, Greg Chubb, Jason Linder, Coach Ken Brown. Front Row (L-R) Brent Mooney, Chris Ellis, Jeff Radcliff, Nick Chubb, Sam Carnes, Andrew Kadel, Justin Hoffman, Coach Gina Botts.

# Two Golfers Make State

With only two seniors returning with varsity experience, the Independence High School golf team faced an uphill fight the entire year.

However, the two seniors basically took turns in leading Coach Mark Coder's team throughout the season. In fact, the two seniors both qualified for state. Josh Overfield and Chris Crow paced the Bulldog golfers during the year and Josh was the medalist at regional competition and Chris also qualified for state.

The state tournament was held in Winfield the Tuesday following graduation and the players finished the season without medalling.

The team faced the curse of most spring sports with a number of meets being rained out early on in the season. However, when the rains stopped, all the competition was made up.

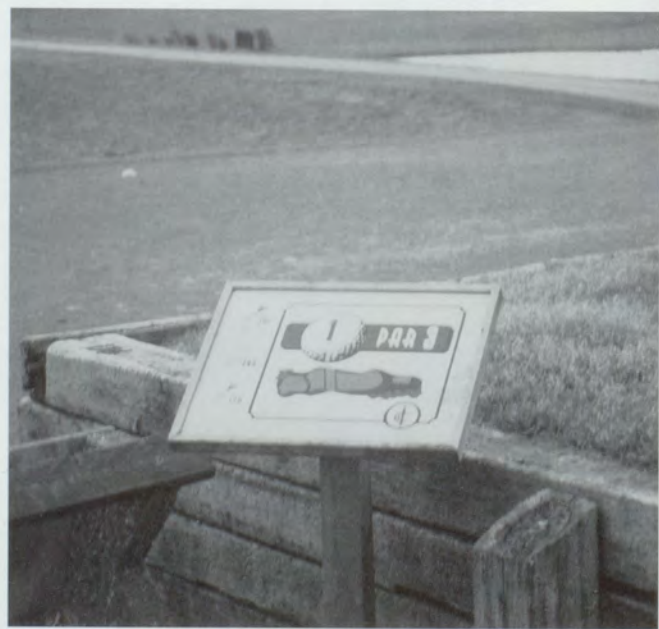
"I was happy to accomplish my senior goal of winning regionals and qualifying for the state tournament." --Josh Overfield



Coach Coder converses with Kaven Chapman and other members of the team just before they tee off on the tenth tee box. Most underclassmen are tense and extremely nervous, but these students stayed calm throughout the year.



Senior Chris Crow is pictured above chipping towards the center of the green at the Independence Country Club during the regional tournament. Chris went on the finish fifth at the event.



The first shot on the first hole often proves to be the toughest. This year the Independence golf spud had the advantage at the regional tournament, because the event was held on the very course they practice on.



Senior Josh Overfield practices his chip shot moments before he begins his round. Josh has played golf all four years of high school, and he will be playing at Coffeyville Community College in their new program next year as a freshman in college.

"I enjoyed my four years of high school golf, and I look forward to many good years to come." --Chris Crow



Freshman Brian Dennis hits his first shot of the day at regionals. Some groups start on the back nine, while others begin on the first hole. This time Brian began on the tenth hole, which he later parred.



Back row: Theron Landwehr, Nick Wilsey, Josh Overfield, Chris Crow, Kaven Chapman, Brian Dennis, Brian Winkleman, James Schwartz.  
 Front Row: Jordan Watson, Nick Phipps, Chris Beyer, Darin Wood, Joe Carroll, Ben Wilsey, Andy Barnard

# Spring Court Royalty

**"The whole experience was great, especially the kiss from Aaron!" --Rane' Yakshaw**

Rene Yakshaw and Aaron Heckman were crowned queen and king of the Spring Sports assembly during the month of May. These two students were selected by the participates of the sports to be nominated and then selected by the student body in an all-school vote.

The assembly was based around the concept of the David Letterman show with Jason Linder serving as IHS's Letterman. The assembly even included the infamous "Top Ten List."

In a change from the other assemblies, the Indy Ensemble did not sing and the assembly did not include any small children.



Posing for the camera and audience, Rane and Aaron show off their crowns.

The Crowning Moment! Spring King Aaron Heckman, crowns Rane Yakshaw as Spring Queen.



As announcer for the festivities, Jason Linder convinces Arie Auxter to demonstrate her grunting skills.



**Front:** Roxy Devore, Abby Knisley, Amanda Torbett, Amanda Root, Emilea Friseberg, Rane Yakshaw. **Back:** Luke Emmott, Aaron Heckman, Ben Schlorholtz, Mark Stevens, Andrew Lynn, Steven Haines.

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# Athletes Group Up

Aaron -- Lane Yakshaw



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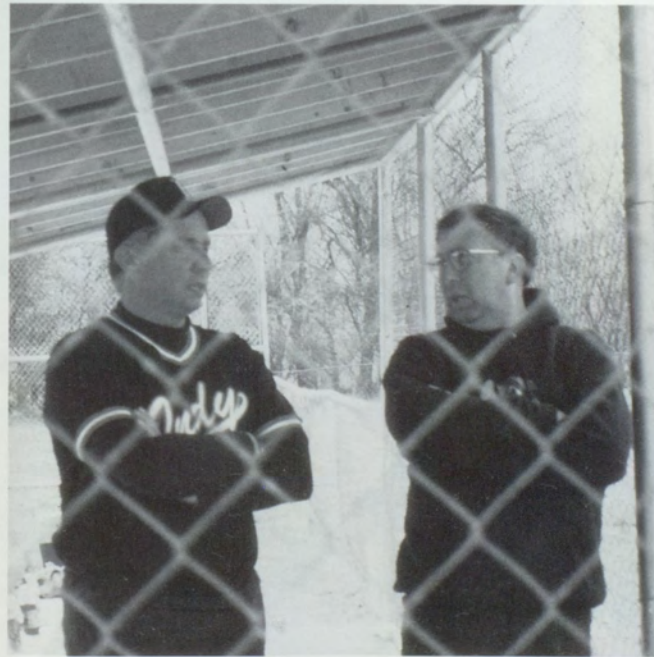
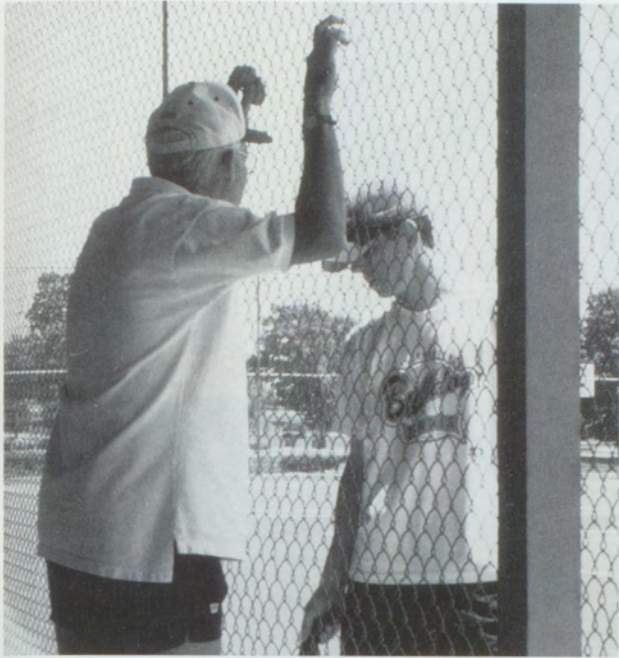


# IHS Coaches Lead The Way

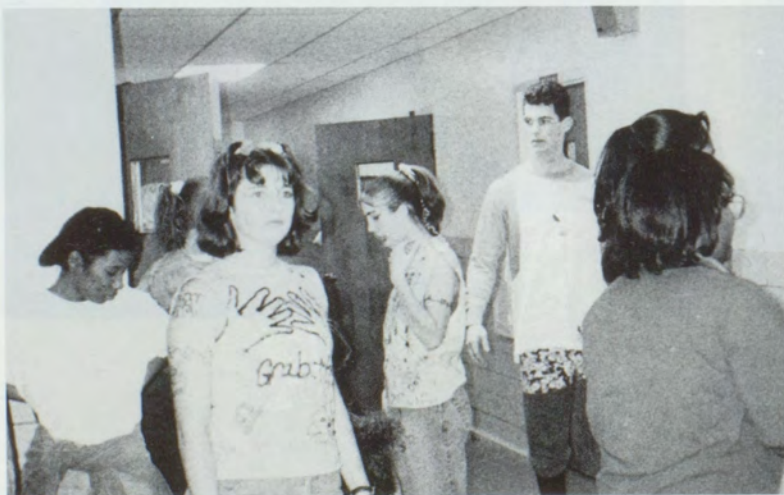
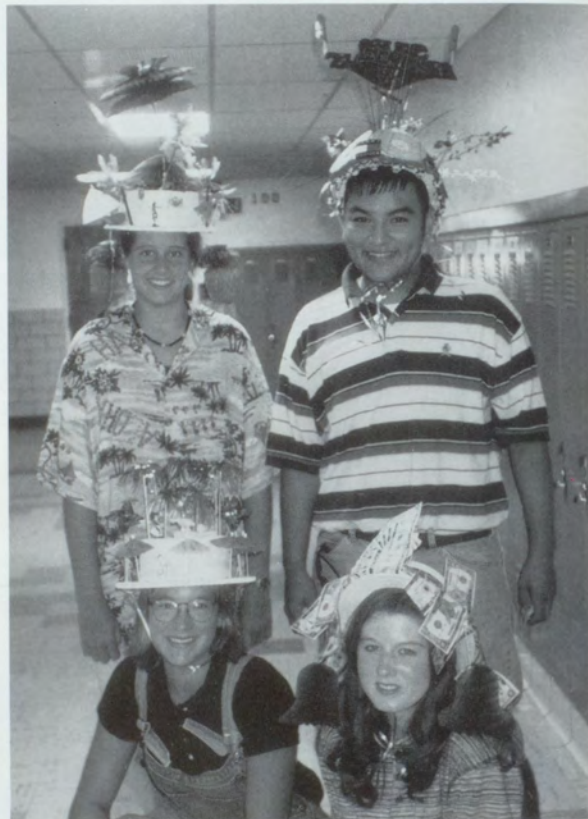




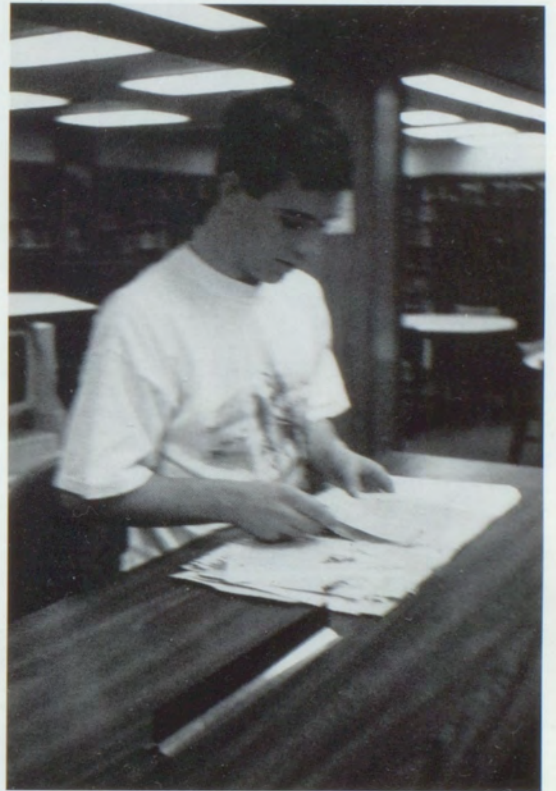
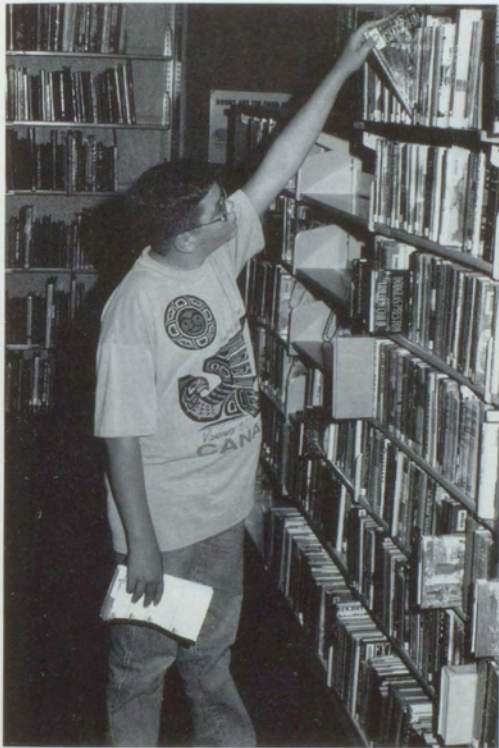
# Give Advice And Support



# Stuco Completes Projects



# Scholars Research In Library



# Tree Planted For Earth Day

"On this the twenty-eighth anniversary of Earth Day, the S.C.U.M. planted a beautiful purple plum tree." -- Mr. Scott Capes



When Spring arrives, so does the annual Earth Week at IHS as well as through the country. The Independence High School club, Students Combatting Unwanted Mess, also known as SCUM, sponsors Earth Week every year.

The week started with "natural hair day" where students were encouraged to come to school without spending extra time each morning fixing their hair. Thankfully, many of the students participating, chose to wear hats on this day.

The second day of the week was designated "wear green day" and the students were encourage to wear the international color of good ecology.

On Wednesday, the student body largely rode bicycles to school and met in the cafeteria for treats. Thursday, was car pool day and on Friday the club planted a tree on campus.

Victoria Lowdon, Christina Ortega and Kelly Jewers are shown at left planting the earth day tree.

Kelly and Christina are shown again below and right while break-ground for the new tree.

Pictured top and right are Victoria, Kelly, Isaac Belcher and Nathan Belcher. They are eagerly digging a hole.

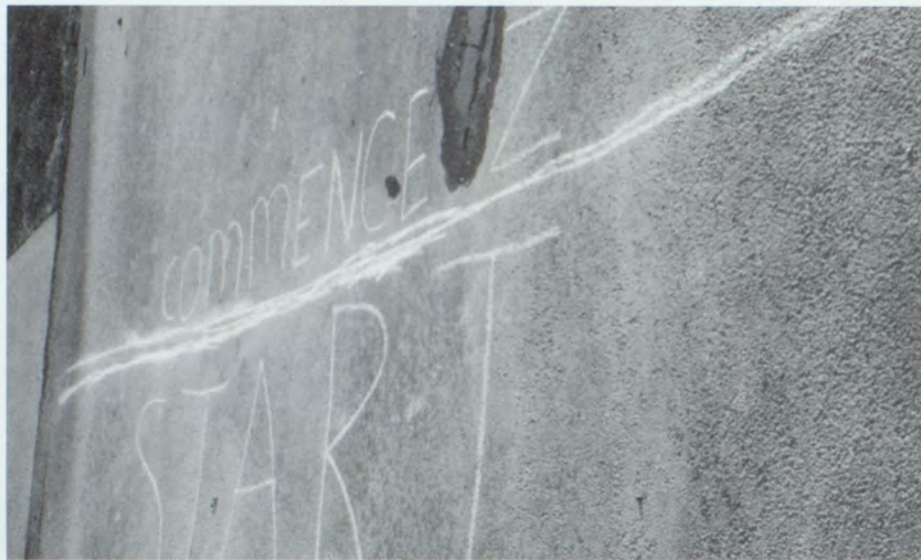
Nathan and Christina are pictured at right while finishing up the hole that the new tree will be placed in.



# At The Games



# Tour D' Independence



Pictured above is the starting line for the race. The French Club signified the starting line in both English and French.

Jessica Wilsey, pictured right, presents Joey Corle with a certificate from Defever-Osborn. This was the first year for the race and the French Club hopes it will continue.



Meghan Hardy receives a lantern for last place, presented by Jessica Wilsey, above.

Pictured right, the participants for the race line up and prepare to take off.

The Independence High School French Club sponsored the first Tour D' Independence last spring. This bicycle race through the town allowed the bicycling enthusiasts to attempt the famous European race the Tour D' France.

In keeping with the famous European namesake, the Independence version gave a "lantern" for the last finisher and provided t-shirts for the participants.

The French club marked off the course, including the starting and finishing lines. This race was the first of this kind sponsored by a school organization and the French Club hopes this will become a tradition. This is the case especially with the increase of enthusiasm in bicycling.



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# Seniors Cherish Last Days

"I'm outta here!" --Stephanie FitzJohn



Pictured left to right is Amanda Chapman, Roosevelt Lyons, and Josh McClain. Many seniors went to the foyer after their last morning class.

**"No more childs  
play, my life is now  
just beginning."  
Tiffany Brown**



Janie Hackett checks out the crowd in the foyer, before the seniors practice at Kayo Emmot Field.



Jessica Tyler, Amanda Leslie, Brian Manderscheid, and Amanda Voth, converse with many other seniors and say farewell to IHS.



Chris Confer used this time to relax on the foyer couch, which was a popular location during the year.



# Grad. Practice Hot, Boring

**"At practice graduation I finally realized that I was finished with high school."--  
Nick McCollam**

Michelle Karleskint and Mindy Dyereceive scholarships at the practice. Michelle was awarded the Chauncy Peterson scholarship and Mindy received the Missy Reynolds scholarship.



Standing around in the 4-H building at the park seniors waiting for final orders to begin lining up to start off practice. Most however were making plans to go swimming afterwards instead of concentrating on what was going on.



Seniors march in as they follow the leader in the practice on May 22 in preparation for their Graduation on May 24.



Sweating their elbows off, the seniors wait for the whole class to get in their place and take their appropriate seat. As this time must have drug on and on in the hot sunny weather, most seniors were ready to prepare for the final event of their high school career.

# Expo Projects Attract Crowd

"Expo had many interesting entries this year, due to the creativity of the drawing, jewelry, ceramics, and woodshop students. The boat was very cool!" -- Stephanie FitzJohn, Senior.



Stephanie FitzJohn, above, shows off her jewelry project at this year's Expo. Many students got to preview the projects, as they were being displayed throughout the school cafeteria. Stephanie also enjoys viewing other projects.



Mrs. Worthington, above, tells a viewer about one of the many projects displayed in the Expo this year. This isn't the first year of Expo for Mrs. Worthington, she has been the art teacher, and has been participating in this event ever since it began.

The abstract vase, to the right, was created and formed by Chad Fienen, which was one of several projects shown from the ceramics class. Ceramic students make a variety of things throughout the year.

This year, as every year, the industrial arts, and fine arts, held their annual Expo in the Independence High School Cafeteria. Many of the students construct very intricate projects, and have this time to show off their talent, and receive the attention that their work deserves. The art, ceramic, jewelry and woodshop classes all took part in the event, showing everything from boats to vases, even displaying the artistic ventures of several of Mrs. Worthington's students. The Expo will continue to be one of the largest events for the art students, and IHS.



**"Our class made a lot of different projects this year. Some useful, and some a little bit weird."-- Chad Fienen, Sophomore.**



These gorgeous lounging chairs, left, created by Scott Wuerderman, were set up to view at the 1998 Expo at the high school. Many extravagant projects were on view, including boats, gun cabinets, coffee tables, hope chests, and even a variety of shelves. Mr. Hogan has a variety of his students display their work at the expo. It is similar to a car show, but only for the fine art projects. Many of the students projects are finished when shown, but others are still in their raw form, waiting to possibly be finished.



The lovely art above was created by one of Mrs. Worthington's very talented art students. In that particular class the students learn more than just drawing, they learn of the different types of art, even painting and sculptures. Most students who are planning on extending art throughout their life, should take this class to learn the fine topics of art.

Mr. Trouskie, to the right, patiently walks around the many displays giving his own opinion on the many abilities of his, and other students. Mr. Trouskie is the jewelry and ceramics teacher, and has also been involved with Expo for many years.



# Teachers Beat Seniors 9-4



Pictured above, Chris Crow, waits patiently for the ball, while members of the senior class, watch in hopes of winning the Senior softball game.

1998 was indeed an unusual year. For the first time recently, the faculty defeated the seniors in softball--even without creative score-keeping by the faculty.

In the annual picnic softball game, hosted by the seniors, the order of the day was errors, strikeouts, pizza, overthrows, lemonade and a lot of fun.

The faculty was led by hurler Jim Hogan whose soft pitches were unfathomable by the seniors who spent much of the afternoon missing the soft pitches and dropping the faculty's line drives. Kelly Cranor was the equipment manager for the faculty and Mark Hayward called the defensive signals.



Pictured to the left, Aaron Heckman, watches the ball as Mark Hayward, runs vigorously around the bases. The senior picnic is a time of good laughs, and good-byes.

To the right, Stacie Klieber, points in the direction she is going to hit the ball. Behind, Stacie, the rest of the seniors discuss their plans for the summer, and where they are going to school next fall.



Pictured below, Mrs. Brookshire, Tiffany Brown, and Cynthia Bruce, discuss senior plans and give Mrs. Brookshier a final farewell.



Pictured to the left, Luke Emmot, pitches the ball, to a faculty member. Behind Luke, Tim Henderson keeps a smile on his face, while he waits for a faculty member to hit the ball.



# Srs. Out Eat Teachers 10-1

"To the future SENIORS: TEACHERS cheat, because they have a 'Special Formula'."-- Tiffany Brown Senior 1998



Pictured above, Danny Julian and Andrew Burton, discuss senior memories while they chow down on pizza. They are accompanied by other members of the senior class.



Above, Shannon White, reaches for ice, while, Katherine Gamesriegler and Michelle Karleskint, try to get water out of the cooler.



Above, Laurel Sherwood and Stacie Klieber, get ice out of the cooler, at the Senior Picnic 1998.

"Don't let the teachers keep score, because they all flunked MATH."

--Tim Henderson Senior 1998

To the right, Jim Hogan along with Courtney Smith, take a long drink after a long softball game.



# INDY MUD BASH 1998

Mud volleyball started with nearly twenty teams, but due to the cancellation of the original game date many of the teams dropped out. The outcome of the games led to the victory for the *Sloppy Seconds*, which consisted of five players: Luke Emmot, Mark Stevens, Steven Haines, Ben Scholorhotz, and Favian Hernandez. The students and family members thoroughly enjoyed watching the event. The afternoon was sponsored by the City Recreation Department and the TLT's from the high school.



Pictured above, students, watch players come on and off the court at Mud Bash 1998.

"Mud volleyball was the funnest school activity I have been to this year."

Jan Wilson  
Senior



Pictured above, Erica Wollard and Kristen Kelley, attempt to pick the mud off of their bodies. By this point they are ready for a nice, cool shower.

Pictured below, Becky Mitchell, Amanda Torbett, and Arie Auxter discuss their strategies and how long it will take to get the mudd out of their hair.



Jacob Sparks, above, gets down and dirty in the mud. He takes time-out from all of his fun to pose for a picture. Jacob, is in very big need of a bath, just like all of the other students at Mud Bash.

"It was slick, wet, and gooey, but fun. °It was the dirtiest and muddiest I have been in my whole life."

-Nicole Stamps  
Junior



Eric Marr, Teri Britt, and Ashlee Gates, above, watch as Eric attempts to jump over the mud, and hit the ball at the same time.

# HOT SUN and THICK MUD

"Mud Volleyball is a GREAT time! Everybody should do it!! Get sloppy!!!" --Matt Howe Junior.



To the left, Suzanne Petterson serves the ball, in one of the matches during Mud Bash 1998. Suzanne is a freshman this year at IHS.

"Mud Volleyball was fun, but I was ready for a shower."

Ashlee Gates  
Freshman



Pictured above, students in the back try to crowd around the fire hose to wash off, while students in the front, throw each other down in the mud.

"Watch Out- for people who will try to dunk you in."

Teri Britt  
Freshman

To the right, a group of senior girls tries to wash the mud off of their bodies and out of their hair. Among the girls are: Jan Wilson, Shannon White, Katharina Gamsriegler, Jeny Clark, and Keri Vannoster.



Above, Mrs. Thompson, along with the Slippery Seconds, discuss their strategies that will in the end make them the champions of Mud Bash 1998.



Pictured above, Stacey Mitchell tries to get to the ball through the thick mud. As her team mates watch and hope she makes it in time.



Above, Jennifer Clark, makes a backwards attempt to hit the ball over the net.

# Renaissance Fair Invades

Men in Tights? Teachers in Kilts? Who would have thought it would have happened at Independence High School.

It did. Last fall a Renaissance Fair was held as a joint venture between the social studies and English departments. It was held in the commons area of the school.

The fair featured booths, jousting, renaissance style food and activities to watch and participate in at the school.

It is hoped that this program and activity will continue for many years and the students and faculty will continue to participate.



Shane McCallie and Michael Fienen form their chain mail armour as they await their exhibitions.



Mr. Boehs takes center stage during the fair, as Jimmy Reynolds along with his friends watch in the background.

"The Renaissance addition to the high school is another successful to the student/teacher activities. It involves parents, adults, students, and faculty who appreciate these types of actions and displays. The only question I have is 'Did they play bagpipes in this time period? And if so, could Mr. Boehs have whipped Mr. Runge?'"

-- David

Torbett



Two unidentified combatants look eye to eye before their contests. As the crowd grew larger in size, so did the interest. This years crows was varied with different spectators, but all enjoyed a pleasant evening.



# IHS Commons Area

"Preparing for the fair with my family and friends, and watching my teachers make fools out of themselves was a memorable experience." --Amy Watson, sophomore

"Dressing up and participating in the exhibitions was an experience I will always remember." -- Ashley Blex, sophomore



With kilt, shield, and bat in hand, Mr. Boehs surrenders to his opponent during an exhibition in the IHS Commons. Many decorative sheilds, armours and swords were displayed and used in staged battles.

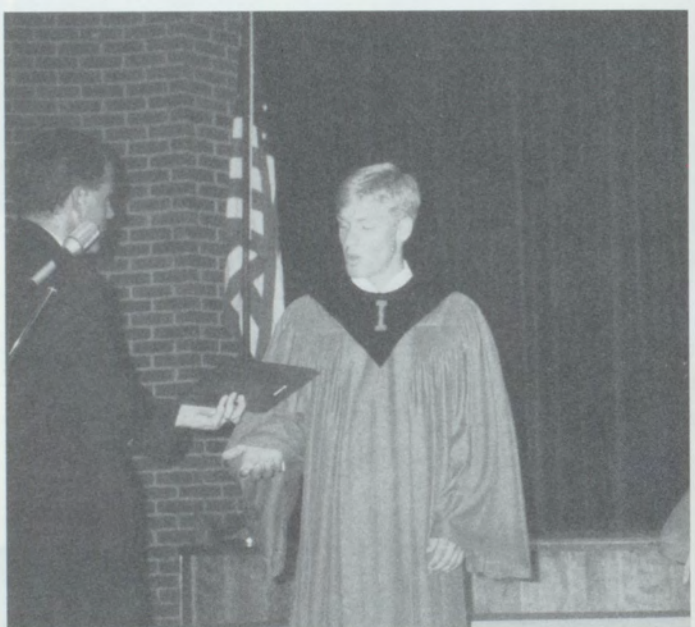


Jeremy Palmer and Eric Alexander test out their project they prepared for the fair.



Jamie Shaw and Ashley Blex compete in a contest in the commons as the evening closes.

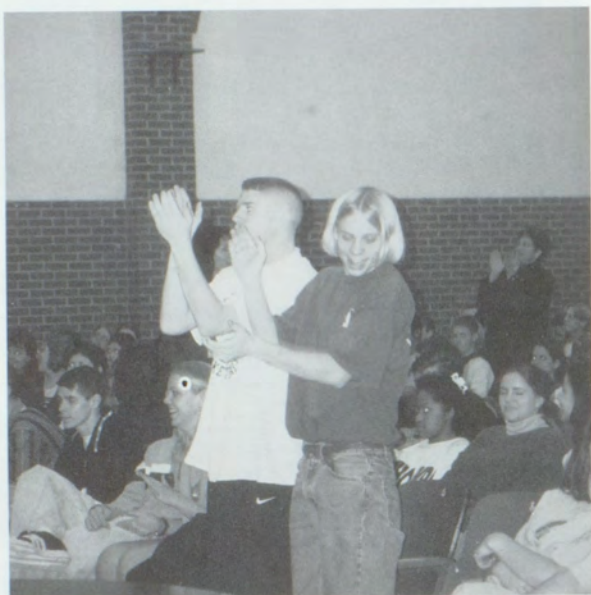
# Music Heard Through IHS



# Members Learn Values



# Assemblies Focus For IHS



# Evening In Hollywood A Success

**"Winning Prom King topped off my high school experience and made my evening even more memorable."--Favian Hernandez**



Brandon Hiser and his date Jami King make their grand entrance as their ride, a white limosine, is seen in the background. Brandon made his return to IHS near the middle of the year and his presence is enjoyed schoolwide.



Favian Hernandez and Kelly O'Mally, pictured to the left, accept the crowns for King and Queen of the evening. Each candidate submitted an introduction which entertained the crowd on the dance floor.

Senior Steven Haines and his date Archita Patel, junior, walk on the Hollywood runway. The names of the Prom King and Queen candidates were printed on the red and black stars, that every couple walked over to enter the country club.

"An Evening in Hollywood," the 1998 Prom Theme provided the students of Independence High School an opportunity for fun, fashion, and memories.

The Junior Class turned the Independence Country Club into a California location with the Hollywood sign, the Oscars, the Chinese Restaurant, the glitter, and the glitz. The students stayed the entire evening waiting for the much appreciated favors: personalized this year by the juniors for both the guys and the girls.

The Prom featured a more formal presentation of the Queen and King of the Prom.

The largest crowd in recent history attended the 1998 "Evening in Hollywood."



Seen in the Country Club area, the famous "Hollywood" sign showed up for the glorious prom.



The largest crowd ever assembled for the event watches the next couple enter the memorable oval drive through and walk in. Not only do underclassmen and parents attend, citizens and friends watch and fill the supplied stands.

"The junior class did a great job choosing the decorations and theme. They did excellent. It was really cute." -- Amanda Chapman

"Prom was a lot of work but I am glad I helped because it turned out to be a great night." --Becky Mitchell

"An elegant evening with lights and dancing made the 'Hollywood' scene effective." --Amie Tull



Senior Greg Chubb and his date Cody Uttinger, sophomore, walk together as the moon rises in the background. Luckily Mother Nature cooperated with the outdoor ceremonies.

Ben Schlorholtz and Brianna Swisher arrive early to get the evening started. Often referred to by a variety of nicknames, Ben tried to be "The Man" during the night.



Graduate Matt Spencer, Jeff White, Hillary Sherwood and Janie Hackett get ready to dismount their trailer hauled by the mammoth John Deere tractor. The entrance had to be cleared for such a large vehicle to successfully make it through the country club circle.



# Diplomas Finally Attained

"It has been a long four years, but today has made it all worth while." --Steven Haines



Valedictorian J.J. McCallie and Salutatorian Meghan Hardy, pictured above, accept their awards for the prestigious positions. J.J. claimed his goal is to become a cardiovascular surgeon, and Meghan said she is planning on a career in marine biology.

The high school choir, led by Larry Annable, prepares to sing for the largest crowd ever assembled at Emmot Field. The non-seniors wore red gowns without caps, while the seniors wore the traditional black for the ceremony. Many hours of preparation are required for this event, which include the moving of equipment.



Pictured to the left, Assistant Principal Jim Runge hands out two special awards to several graduates; Presidential Scholar and Top Ten Percent. Thirty-two students were honored midway through the graduation ceremony with these awards.



A dove. Threatening clouds, lightning, thunder. Tears. Joy. Inspiration.

The Class of 1998 graduated at Shulthiss Stadium in front of probably the largest crowd in the history of the school.

The senior president, Kelsey Linder, released a white dove at the conclusion of the ceremony as a token of hope, peace and remembrance.

As the ceremony progressed, the storm came rolling in from behind the stadium. The members sitting on the stage watched with increasing anxiety and the names of the diploma recipients started coming faster and faster. However, the inclement weather held off until the last graduate was announced.

The inspiration came as Brandon Hiser joined his class in the walk across the stage. Also, the memory of the three classmates, Ashley Watson, Zack Fienen, and Chauncy Peterson, who were taken pre-maturely was invoked and was present throughout the ceremony.

# Ceremonies End Before Storm



Eric Phipps and Ryan Raven converse before getting in line. Practice graduation was a must for every student to know exactly where to go. Many outdoor graduation celebrations were cancelled due to the weather, which seems to be the topic of Eric and Ryans' conversation.



Brandon Hiser and his rehabilitation assistant converse before heading out to Kayo Emmot Field. Brandon walked across the stage with the aid of Eric Phipps and Andrew Lynn. During the school year, Brandon could often be found in the foyer before second block having a good time with other seniors.



Matt Riggle, pictured right, walks in after the graduation ceremony with his hair wet from the downpour of rain, following the procession. Luckily, everyone walked across the stage before the stormy weather arrived. Graduates returned to the 4-H building after graduation to turn in their gowns. Some students did not receive their diplomas at that time, due to athletics or fines due.



Kyle Lyons and his cousin, Roosevelt Lyons, await to exit the 4-H building and into the cool outdoors, pictured above. Several students brought hand held battery powered fans to keep cool during the preparations.

Pictured to the right is the Class of 1998 at IHS. Every participant in the ceremony wore a white ribbon in remembrance of their classmates.





# Movie Mania Ends Prom

"This was my first prom and I really enjoyed it. It was a neat experience". --Abby Knisley



Juniors Abby Knisley and Matt Howe, a lovely couple indeed, are pictured above as they walk into prom.



Amanda Chapman, pictured above, is loitering in the foyer of the country club while waiting to begin prom festivities.



Senior Mindy Dye along with her college date Sam Blackard follow the prom tradition of walk in. Luckily they did not slip and fall, unlike other unfortunate couples who have in the past.

"Prom was very fun, I really liked the decorations and 'Hollywood' theme. It turned out to be much better than last years prom." --Stephanie FitzJohn.

Recently added student Tyler Gates along with other friends, take a break from the dance floor to get some of the refreshments.



With such a good DJ, who denied Tulsa schools to come to the Independence Prom, the temporary dance floor was filled throughout the evening. Fruit punch and water were heavily consumed by the students after a workout on the dance floor. Many local businesses along with the country club donated foods, services and the beverages to give to the students. Towards the end of the event, all students were given either a CD holder, or a glass snow ball, with prom picture to place inside, boys and girls respectively. This was an addition to the festivity, thanks to the junior class for the idea. Many hours of time well spent showed and payed off on May 2nd. Thanks again to the junior class and sponsors.

# Juniors Host Festive Event

"This the best organized prom I have ever been to. It was a lovely experience!" --Amy Tate



Hoite Caston, pictured above, announced the couples as they began their walk beside the crowd. Waneta Cox, standing on the left, handed out roses to the girls and prepared the couples for their walk.

After three years of planning and organization, the junior class hosted the seniors and guests to the annual Spring Prom at the Independence Country Club the first weekend in May.

The class prepared a large number of special decorations and favors for the prom goes in order to make the 1998 Prom the most memorable in recent history.

The juniors this year moved the dance floor into the larger dining room in order to make space appear larger and also to make it cooler with the higher ceilings. Also the club was decorated in every imaginable aspect.

Pictured below is Jennifer Whitson working her way through the crowd at prom. The Country Club was packed full of high schoolers dressed in their best and it took quite sometime to move from one side of the room to the other.



David Elliott and Nicole Stamps are pictured below while sauntering down the catwalk into prom. The carnation Nicole is holding along with all the others were purchased by the Junior class as a special extra touch.



The decorations and food rocked and everyone looked great! It was rad! --Ryan Baldassaro



Sean Anderson and Roxy Estes as are pictured above as they walk into prom. The walkway was decorated with stars and lights to go along with the Hollywood theme.

Ruthe Hinman and Amy Tate are pictured below loitering in the foyer of the Country Club before the dancing started.



# Movies Go to After Prom

"After Prom is great if you stay awake and win the prizes. It's fun to watch the karaoke guys and laugh. It was a great time." --Tonja Lair, senior



Senior Caleb Adam, pictured above, is being attacked inside the Money Machine. This game consists of money blowing all over while the student tries to grab as much as possible.

Sophomore Chad Fienen and juniors Chad Follmer and Mike Foster compete in a giant tricycle race.

After Prom is often times the highlight of the entire Prom evening. This year was no exception. After the formality and rigidity--not to mention the poorly fitting shoes--the after prom is a welcome relief.

This year's theme followed the movie concept of Hollywood. Various games were played with some new ones being added this year. Also the food is always important to the students attending.



Emily Ysusi and Jed Newkirk, pictured left, participate in the cake walk. There was a variety of prizes that could be won.

The Courtesy Booth, at right, was where cash was exchanged for tickets.



One of the highlights at After Prom was the food. Some of it was left over from Prom.

"After Prom was really cool. I especially liked throwing bean bags at Mr. Capes and Mr. Torbett's faces."  
--T.J. Barnhart, junior

# MORP: To Be Weird Or Not,

"To the future Morp Kings, stay real and party hard! Seniors rule!" -- Luke Emmot, senior



Juniors Andrea Oakleaf and Emilea Freisberg along with sophomores Cody Uttinger and Michelle Thompson, pictured left, get caught off guard while leaving the gymnasium where Morp was held. The four girls decided to wear old dance recital costumes instead of making the traditional Morp t-shirts.



Sophomores Danika Foster and Rosanna Lee apply the finishing costume touches prior to entering the gym for the MORP dance. This preparation represents one of the longest periods of time of the entire evening. Some students actually spend about as much time getting ready for MORP as they do for prom. The irony is that some of the students look better at MORP than they do at prom. Particularly, in this case of the senior guys, who traditionally have some social adjustment problems in deciding gender prior to the dance.



Lea Shepard, pictured above, takes time out from an exciting night at Morp to make a quick phone call home. Mrs. Shepard dressed as a hippie.



Sophomore Sherman Brown, pictured above, apparently dug into his father's closet to bring out clothes from the 1960's to develop his 1998 version of a hippie.



Senior Aaron Heckman, above, doesn't qualify for the muscle man t-shirt contest, and is embarrassed by it. His hair is compliments of his mom or the neighborhood cat.

# That Is The Question.



Pictured to the left, freshmen Jeff Radcliff and Jordan Watson wrestle around with some fellow students outside the high school gym before MORP.

Once again the annual MORP dance proved to be an unqualified success. This statement is true only if you consider atrocious decorations, students dressing up in horrible costumes, a MORP course that was silly, messy, and just plain fun. Plus a disk jockey that played music that only teenagers would appreciate. Come to think of it, the above description is a recipe for success at a MORP dance. A tradition that now extends over 20 years, the MORP evening is a Student Council event which involves as many or even more students than any other event in the school year.



At the left is Josh McClain fixing his suspenders as he makes his "Grand Entrance" as a Geek in make-up. Many students draw on fake tattoos but Josh has the real deal on his shoulder.

Matt Holum at the right strikes a pose in his cross dressed attire. Cross dressing is a popular theme during Morp for both the male and female students. Matt later performed in the airband contest, and his group collected the first place prize, due to a forfeit from Luke Emmots' group.



The traditions of MORP king and the airband has been continued for another year. This year's activity also featured a live, local band which played prior to and during the MORP course activity.

The MORP king this year was senior Luke Emmot while the airband contest was won by Matt Holum's Group. Anybody who participated in the MORP course won because this year it was a freestyle kind of event that included teachers and students cooperating and having "clean" fun. Altogether the Morp event turned out to be a big hit.



Involved in some heavy gossip, freshman Shana Berry, Lindsey Shaw, Jennifer Sprague and Hannah Kaufman stand outside the gymnasium talking about who came the most uniquely dressed.

# Activities Vary At Lunch



# Names Rule '98 Yearbook

"It was quite an experience. I had a blast! It was the most fun I've had in class all year long."

--Amber Finney



Quiet ole' Tiffany Brown, pictured above, laughs about a joke directed towards Mr. Torbett. A common occurrence during the class.

Yearbook class spends the year trying to put together memories of the entire year for the student body of Independence High School. The class is filled with pressure-filled deadlines but provides enough flexibility for the student to have some time to learn the computer program and still attempt to provide a high quality year publication.



A rare moment, Andrea Oakleaf and Mr. Torbett are trying to finish up a page for the yearbook.



One of the extremely rare moments in Yearbook this year was Tyler Gates actually concentrating on an assignment. Here Tyler acts like he is actually doing something.

## Let's Meet The Creators: Co-

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On one of her many visits Liz, the Jostens consultant, is probably thinking to herself, "O My! What did I get myself into?!"



# Bloodmobile Drains Doners

"Giving blood wasn't as bad as everyone made it out to be"--

Micah Needham

Once again, IHS students rose to the challenge and accomplished the goal of the 1998 bloodmobile visit to the IHS gymnasium. This stuco project was assisted by the home economics students who assisted in preparing and manning the canteen area for the donors.

In addition to the faculty and students, several "civilians" donated blood for themselves or for family members.

The number of incidents of students becoming woozy were minimal this year. However, several students were deferred to the inability of the technicians to find a suitable vein for drawing the blood. A number of other students were deferred due to a large variety of health reasons.



Arie Auxter, Favian Hernandez, regester Mr. Landwehr for the Blood Mobile on April 7, 1998.



Kara Kimble, Allison Addington filling out paper work before they can give blood.



Tracey McGuyer and Stephanie Schroeder giving blood at the 98 Bloodmobile.



Many students gave blood at IHS in the gym on April 17, 1998.

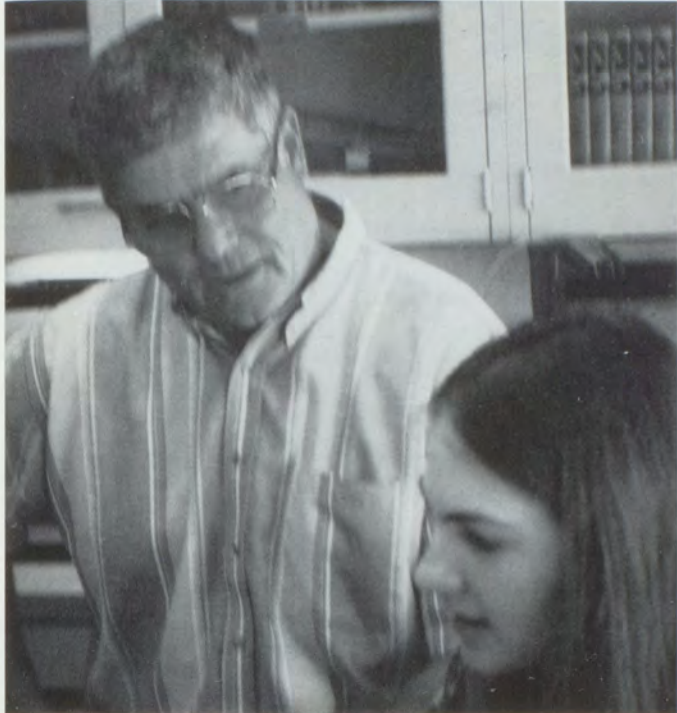


Ryan Baldassarro and Frank King rest after giving blood.



# Rutter & Ferguson to Retire

"Deer, fish, Wildcats. How sweet it is!" --Mr. Rutter



Pictured above, Mr. Rutter and Laine Eisenbart discuss her biology project, as other students await Mr. Rutter's assistance.

Bill Ferguson, long-time social studies teacher in the Independence School system, concluded his teaching career at the end of the 1997-98 school year. After much soul-searching, Mr. Ferguson decided to take advantage of the school district's early retirement policy.

Mr. Ferguson came to the high school about 15 years ago after a career at the middle school.

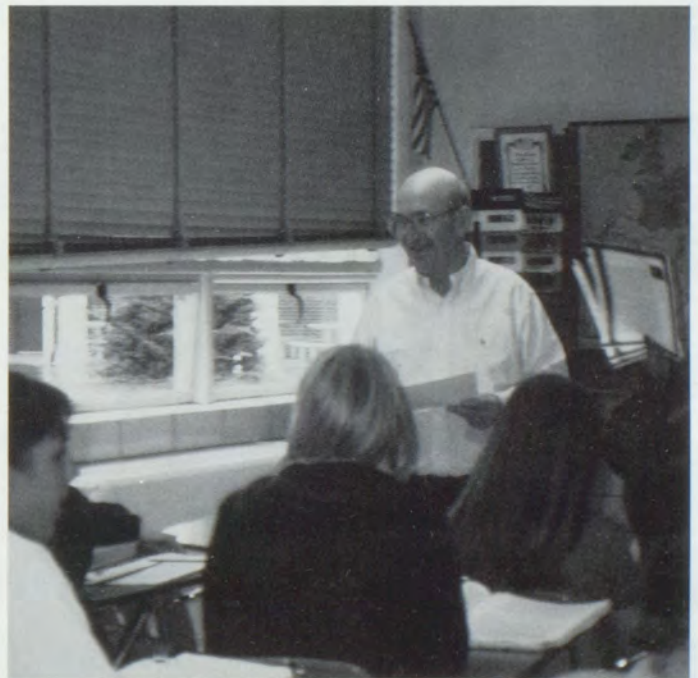
One fact that many Independence High School students are not aware of is that Mr. Ferguson served very successfully for many years as IHS tennis coach. However, when talking to Mr. Ferguson now, most of his conversation seems to turn to his golf game--a pastime he is sure to enjoy in retirement.

In recent years, Mr. Ferguson has taken exceptional pleasure and has performed outstanding service in the instruction of the Advanced Placement American History course. His students appreciate his dedication.

K-State, deer, fishing, K-State, hunting. After 14 years of covering the above topics exhaustively, Larry Rutter has decided to give up his teaching career and start another career on his farm and related activities.

This active biology teacher is never at a loss for words and certainly never without an opinion--on any topic. However, his first teaching love is biology. From the various systems of the body, to the genealogy of the student, to the bird feeders, Mr. Rutter has always been a project oriented teacher. He has worked with students in a number of capacities and many of his former students come back to visit with him.

However, his greatest pride comes in talking about his two daughters--both graduates of Independence High School.



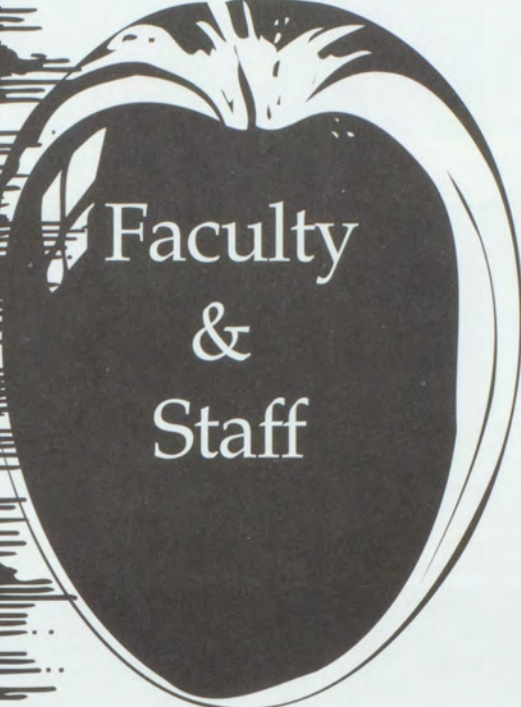
Mr. Ferguson, above, goes over the history assignment with his 3A history class. The most important thing is he keeps a smile on his face, and enjoys every moment of his teaching abilities.

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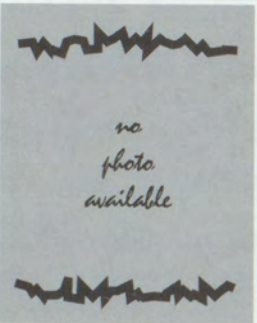
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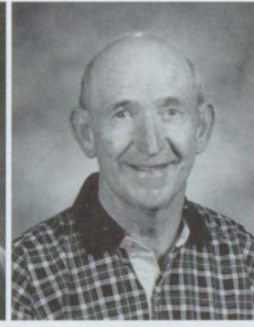
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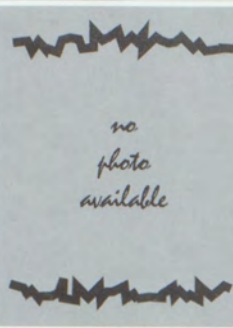
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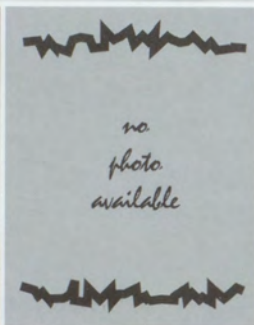
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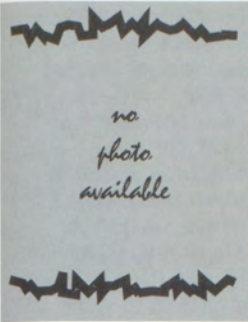
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Librarians Mrs. O'Mera, Mrs. Cunningham, and Mrs. Scott, pictured to the left, scan portions of the Independence High School planner and transfer the images into the computer. Many resources are available to students in the library, and these ladies know them all.

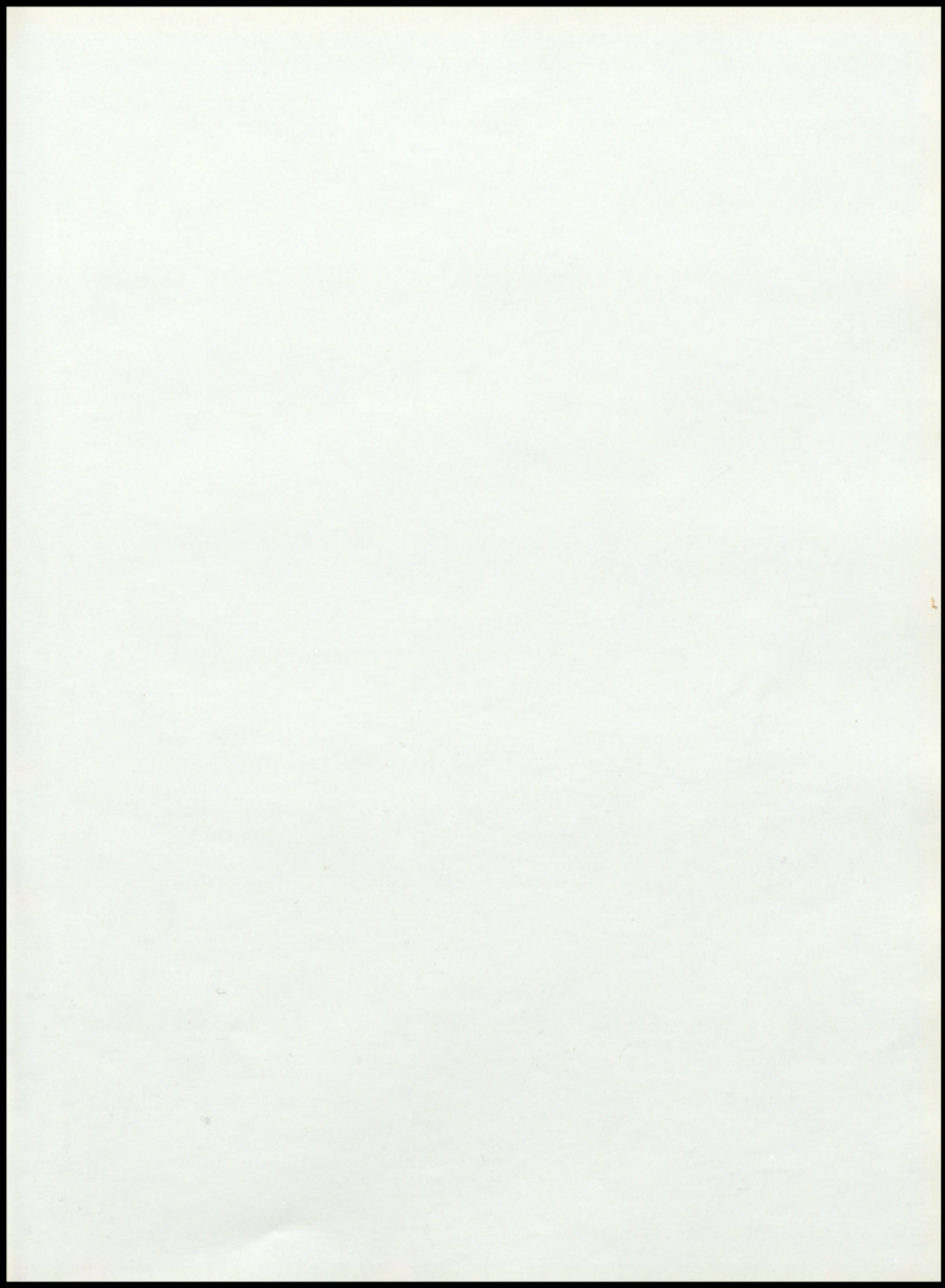
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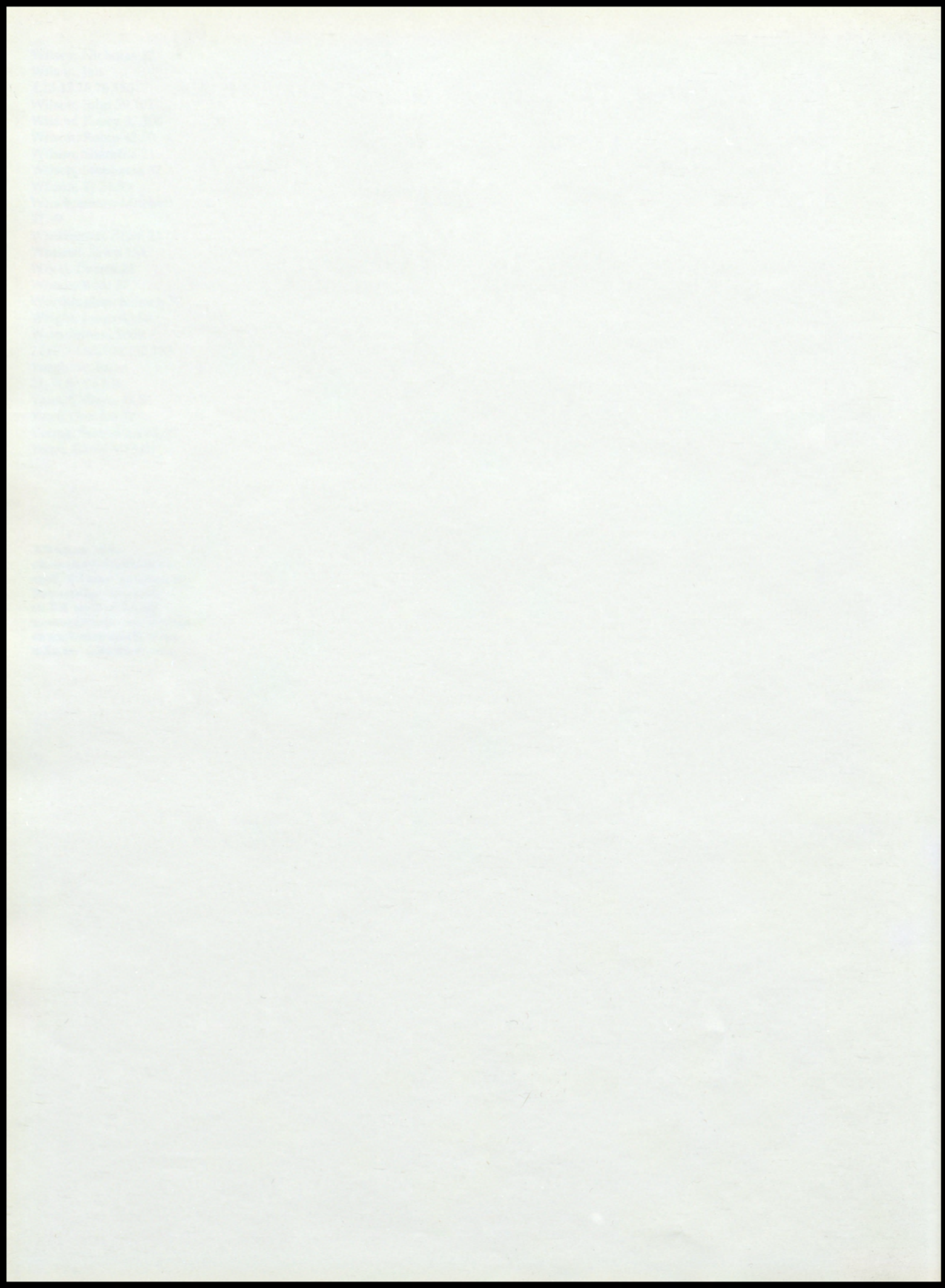


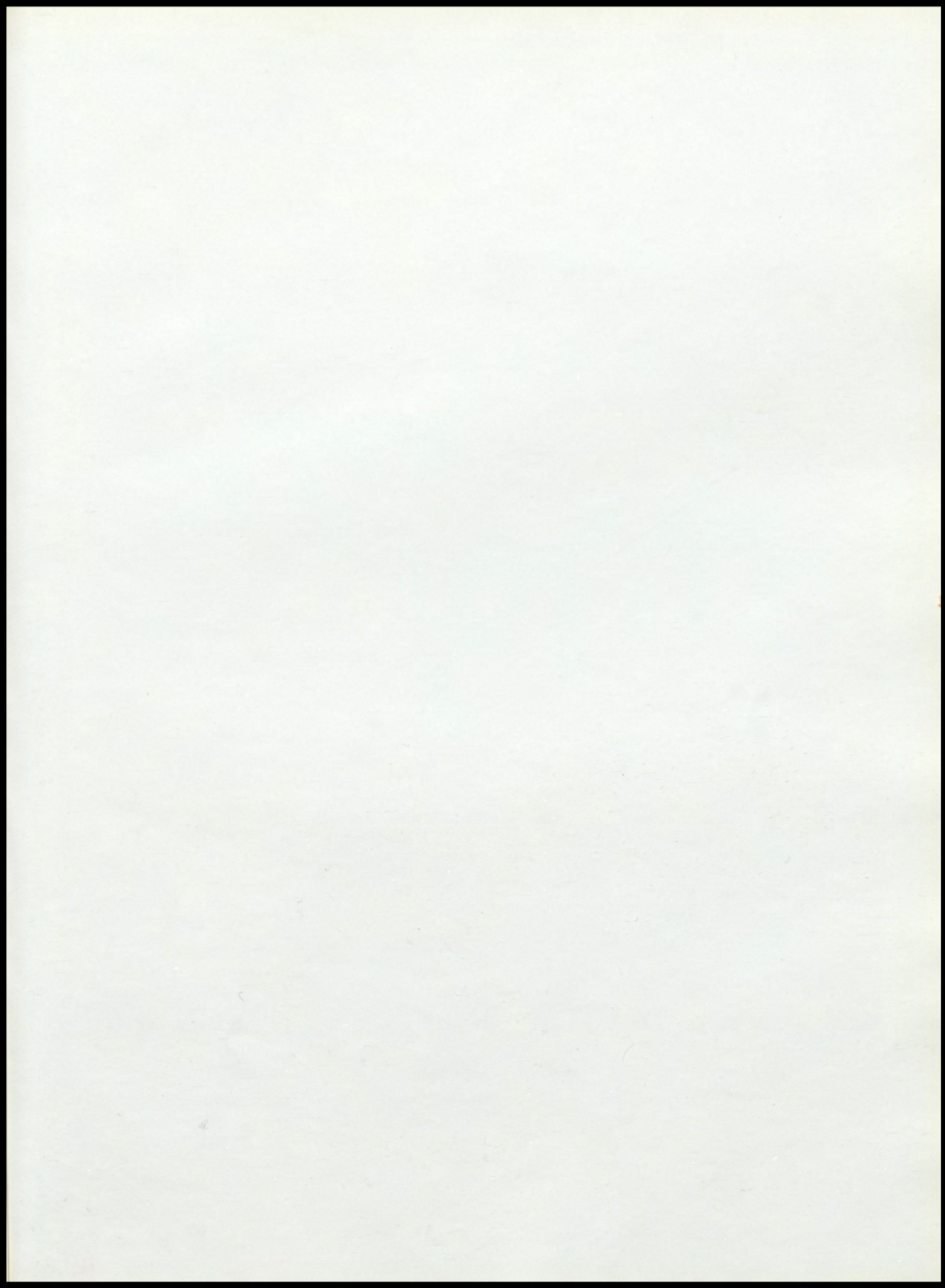
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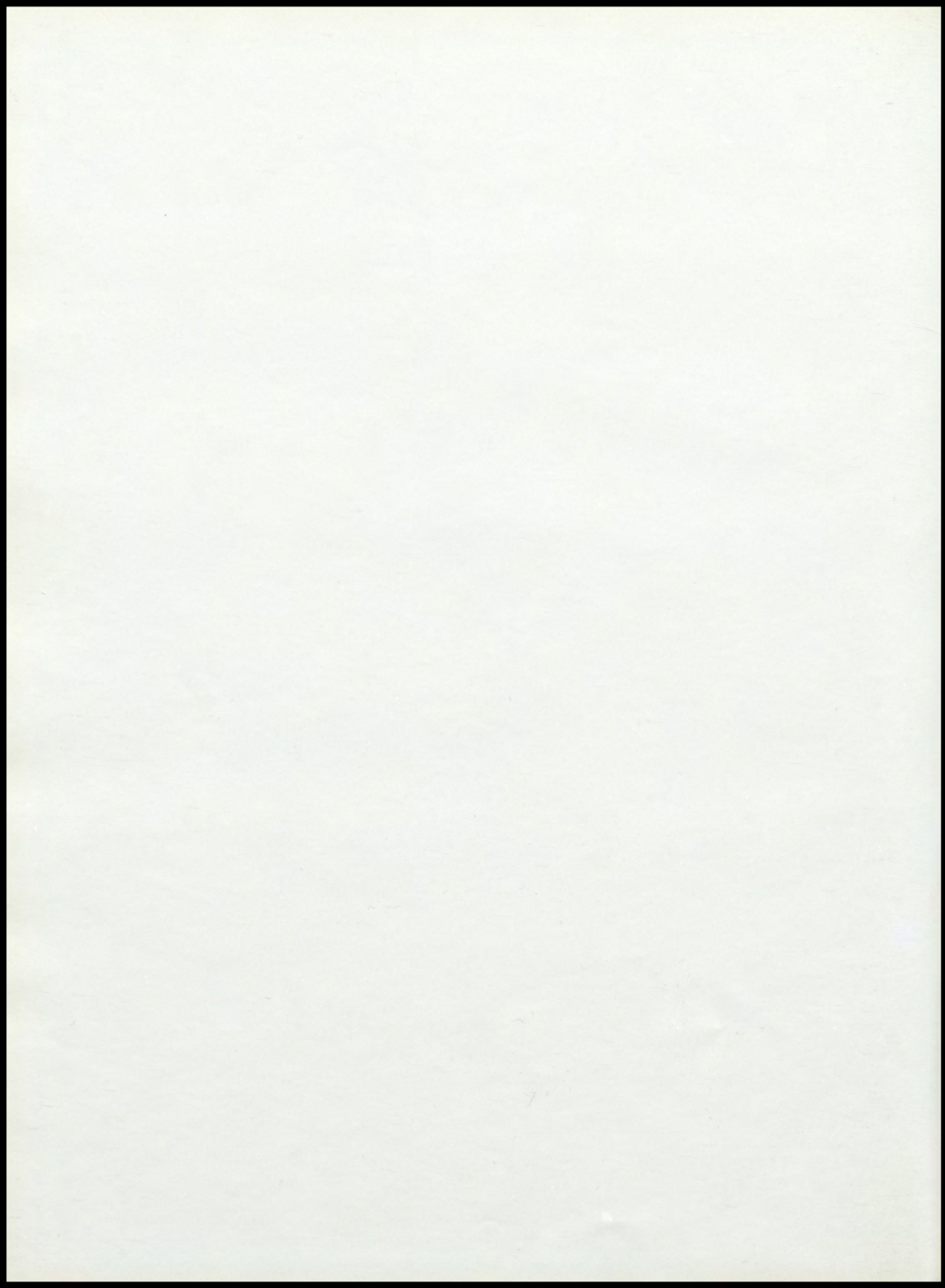
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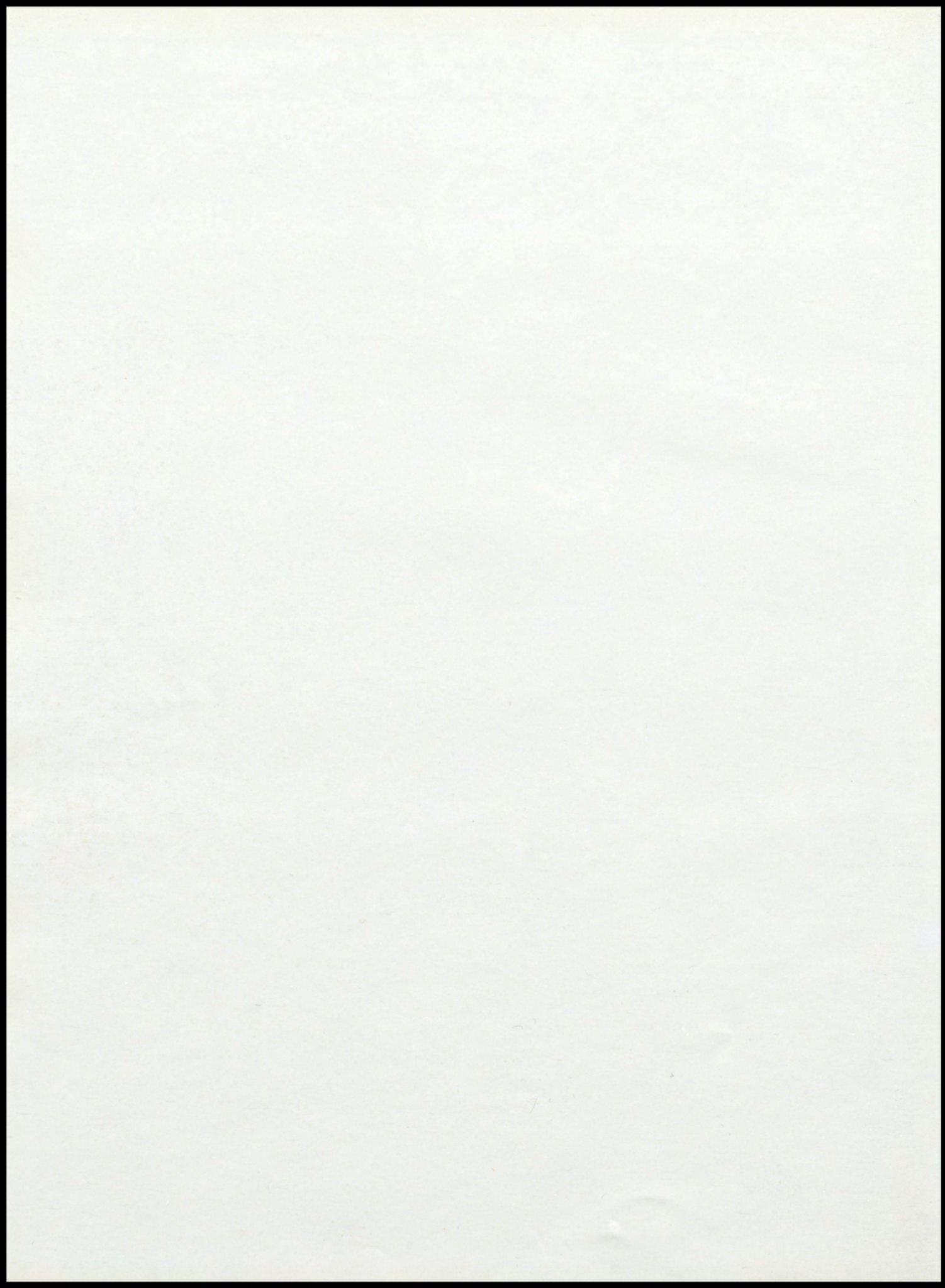






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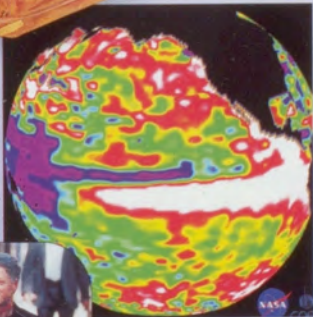
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# World NEWS



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Asian economic turmoil triggers global unrest. In October, Hong Kong's stock market crashes. Asian countries receive billions in bailout dollars from the International Monetary Fund.

A 15-day school strike in Ontario, Canada, affects 2.1 million students. Late in October, 128,000 teachers walk out to protest a controversial bill that would alter educational funding and centralize government control of education.



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Hong Kong reverts to China at 12:01 a.m., July 1, after 156 years of British colonial rule. China says Hong Kong will continue its Western way of life and free-market economy.



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Governments and businesses worldwide race to remedy the "Year 2000" problem. Unless key computer systems are reprogrammed to recognize dates in the new century the world faces the threat of catastrophic failure in critical areas like banking, air safety, public utilities and defense.



Savino, Sipa

Montserrat, once called "the Emerald Isle of the Caribbean," is devastated by ongoing eruptions from a volcano that had been dormant for 400 years. Two-thirds of the populace evacuates.



AP/Wide World

Powerful earthquakes in central Italy kill 11 people and damage art treasures, including centuries-old frescoes by Italian Renaissance painters, in the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi.

## flash

Change sweeps Great Britain as Labor Party leader Tony Blair's landslide election in May 1997 ousts the Conservatives and makes Blair, at 44, Britain's youngest prime minister in 185 years.

Hurricane Pauline slams into Mexico's Pacific coast in October, causing flash floods, landslides and at least 200 fatalities.

The resort city of Acapulco is heavily damaged.



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The remains of Ernesto "Che" Guevara, martyred Marxist revolutionary, are laid to rest in Cuba in October, 30 years after his execution in Bolivia, where his bones recently had been found.



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After 32 years of autocratic rule, President Mobutu Sese Seko of Zaire is deposed in May 1997 and later dies in exile. His successor, Laurent Kabila, changes Zaire's name to Democratic Republic of the Congo.



Reuters/Archive Photos

Halloween fever seizes France. At the base of the Eiffel Tower in Paris 8,000 pumpkins are displayed, and French children participate in an American-style Halloween celebration.

- President Jiang Zemin of China meets for summit talks with President Bill Clinton in October, the first visit in 12 years of a Chinese leader to the U.S. During his stay, demonstrators protest China's treatment of Tibet.



Reuters/Archive Photos



Tom Graham, Sygma

- Diana, Princess of Wales, one of the world's most famous and admired women, dies at 36 in a violent car crash in Paris on August 31.

- The death of "the people's princess" generates an emotional outpouring of love and grief, evidenced by floral tributes heaped at Diana's Kensington Palace home.



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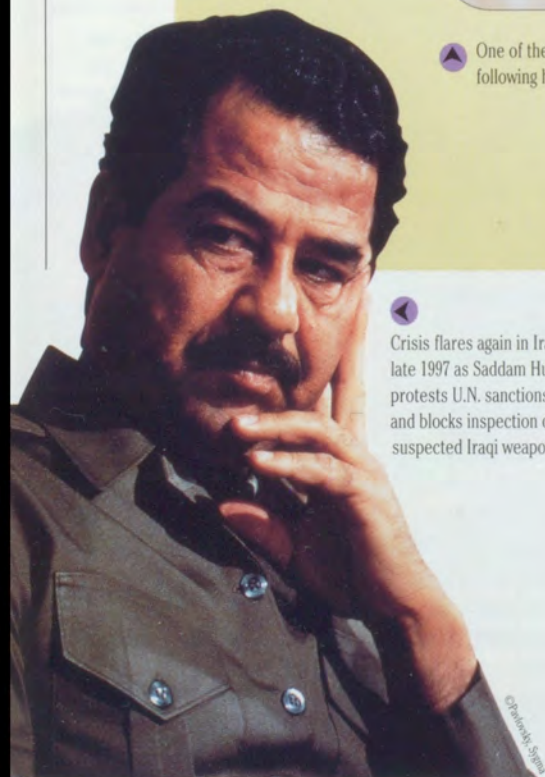
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- One of the most poignant images of Diana's funeral: her young sons following her coffin into Westminster Abbey.



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- At the funeral, Elton John performs "Candle in the Wind 1997," rewritten in tribute to Diana. The recording quickly sells more than 35 million copies, becoming the best-selling single of all time. Sales proceeds benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.



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- Crisis flares again in Iraq in late 1997 as Saddam Hussein protests U.N. sanctions and blocks inspection of suspected Iraqi weapon sites.

## flash

Floods, drought and mismanagement in North Korea create a severe famine. As many as a million North Koreans die of starvation.

Pope John Paul II visits Communist Cuba in January 1998, the first time a pope has done so. During his five-day visit the pope celebrates public masses and meets privately with President Fidel Castro.



AP/Wide World

- In June, shortly before Diana's death, an auction of 79 of her evening gowns raises \$3.26 million for AIDS and cancer charities. Top price paid for a single gown: \$222,500.

# National

# NEWS



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On July 23 suspected murderer Andrew Cunanan, 27, commits suicide in Miami Beach. Cunanan was the prime suspect in a cross-country killing spree that left five dead, including fashion designer Gianni Versace.

Once-mighty Apple Computer is close to failure when arch-rival Bill Gates of Microsoft "rescues" it with a \$150 million bail-out in August. The event opens a new era of cooperation between formerly fierce competitors.



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Brooks Kraft, Sygma



In April 1997, floods ravage the entire Red River Valley between Minnesota and the Dakotas. Ninety percent of downtown Grand Forks, North Dakota, is under water.



Jonathan Elderfield, Gamma/Liaison

Americans join "Stop the Violence" campaigns nationwide in an attempt to generate awareness of and solutions to the problem of violence in America.



AP/Wide World

Joe Camel is snuffed out as the Federal Trade Commission bans tobacco advertising aimed at minors and institutes sweeping tobacco advertising restrictions.

## flash

Theodore Kaczynski admits he is the Unabomber responsible for killing 3 people and injuring 29 others in an 18-year bombing campaign. His January 1998 guilty plea spares Kaczynski the death penalty but condemns him to life in prison with no possibility of release.

UPS workers take to the picket lines in an August strike lasting 15 days. The eventual settlement is seen as a major labor victory.



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British nanny Louise Woodward, 19, is convicted in Massachusetts of murdering a child in her care. The judge later reduces the charge to involuntary manslaughter and releases her.



AP/Wide World

Timothy McVeigh is convicted of murder and conspiracy in June for the April 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building in Oklahoma City. McVeigh is later sentenced to death.



Patrick Heagerty, Sygma

First Lt. Kelly Flinn accepts a general discharge from the Air Force, avoiding court-martial for lying about an affair and disobeying orders. Flinn had been the first and only female B-52 pilot in the service.

▶ A rare urban tornado prowls through Miami on May 12, uprooting trees, shattering windows and snapping power lines. Fortunately, the storm inflicts only minor injuries.

Arthur Harvey, The Miami Herald



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▶ Bobbi McCaughey, Carlisle, Iowa, gives birth November 19 to seven babies, the U.S.'s first living septuplets. McCaughey and her husband Kenny now have eight children.



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▶ Terry Nichols is found guilty of conspiracy and manslaughter in the 1995 Oklahoma City bombing. Nichols is spared a federal death sentence in January 1998, but still faces Oklahoma state charges.

▶ Attorney General Janet Reno refuses to name an independent prosecutor to investigate Clinton administration fundraising, causing friction with FBI Director Louis Freeh.



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▶ UFO enthusiasts gather in Roswell, New Mexico, to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the alleged UFO crash there in July 1947.



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▶ At the Internet/Online Summit in December, Vice President Al Gore announces government initiatives to protect young Internet users from online pornography.

## flash

The all-male Promise Keepers movement inspires praise and controversy for its message of spiritual revival and personal responsibility for men. In October, the group holds a giant rally in Washington, D.C.

Once-secret tape recordings of former presidents Kennedy and Nixon are released publicly. The tapes provide an unvarnished, and sometimes unflattering, glimpse into the two presidents' actions and conversations in the White House.



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▶ On October 25, at least 300,000 African-American women gather in Philadelphia for the Million Woman March. Winnie Madikizela-Mandela is one of the speakers.



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▶ Fast-food giant Burger King is forced to stop serving burgers when supplier Hudson Foods recalls 25 million pounds of hamburger suspected of contamination with *E. coli* bacteria. It is the biggest beef recall in U.S. history.

# Science NEWS



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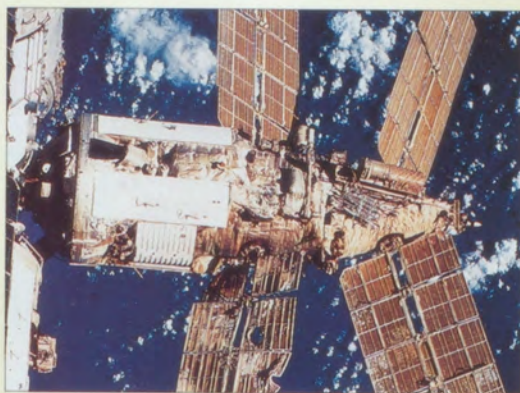
- ▶ Russia's aging *Mir* space station collides with an unmanned supply vehicle in June and is seriously damaged. This is only one in a series of crises casting doubt on the viability of the station.

- ◀ Viewers worldwide see the first-ever high-resolution color pictures of Mars when the *Pathfinder* spacecraft lands July 4. The lander and its rover, Sojourner, collect and transmit extraordinary data for three months.

AP/Wide World



- ▲ For \$8.36 million, Chicago's Field Museum of Natural History buys "Sue," the most complete *Tyrannosaurus rex* fossil yet discovered. The sale occurs October 4 at Sotheby's in New York.



NASA



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- ◀ In September, CAT scans of petrified dinosaur eggs found in China reveal a dinosaur embryo.

- ▲ Scottish scientists in February 1997 announce the world's first cloning of an adult mammal. The sheep, named Dolly, fuels controversy over possible misuse of the technology.



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## flash

Fuel cells that convert a fuel's energy directly into electricity are being developed for use in cars, making possible an efficient, low-emission car of the future.

The first prescription pill for male-pattern baldness is approved by the Food and Drug Administration in December. The drug Propecia is made by Merck and Company.



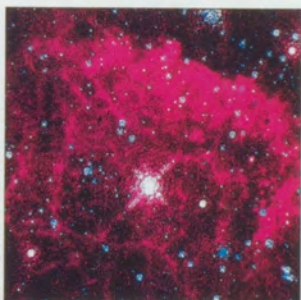
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- ▲ Research produces medical breakthroughs, including a genetically engineered "bullet" molecule being tested to fight cancer and new drugs to control or prevent Parkinson's disease, osteoporosis and congestive heart failure.



Matt Merfeldsohn

- ▲ The popular diet regimen fen-phen is pulled off the market in September. The combination of fenfluramine and phentermine is shown to cause heart valve disorders, as is the diet drug Redux, also recalled.



Don F. Figer (UCIA), and NASA

- ▲ Aided by the Hubble Space Telescope, astronomers discover the Pistol Star—the brightest star yet observed in the Milky Way. The Pistol Star is 25,000 light years from Earth.

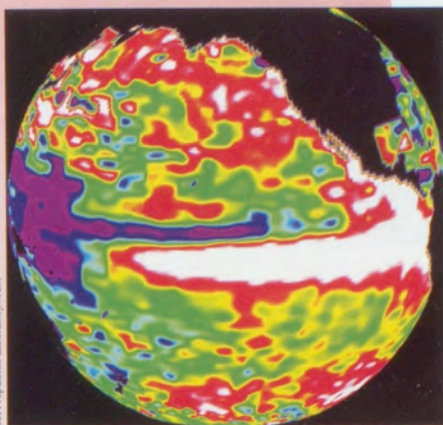
▶ Comet Hale-Bopp captures imaginations worldwide as it streaks past Earth for the first time in 4,200 years—or, since 2203 B.C. Hale-Bopp next returns in 4397.

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▶ On October 13, the British jet car *Thrust SSC* becomes the first vehicle to break the sound barrier on land, traveling 766.6 miles per hour in the Nevada desert.

Jet Propulsion Laboratory/NASA



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▶ In December, 159 nations gather in Kyoto, Japan, and negotiate a climate treaty to combat global warming by reducing greenhouse gases.



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▶ El Niño stirs up global weather patterns. Caused by warmer-than-normal water temperatures in the equatorial Pacific, the '97 El Niño is blamed for storms and weather problems worldwide.



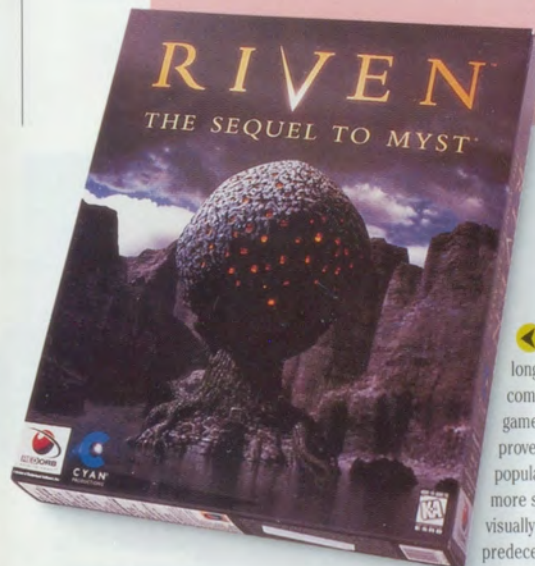
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▶ Protesters unsuccessfully attempt to prevent the October launch of NASA's *Cassini* spacecraft to Saturn, fearing an accident could shower the Earth with the rocket's radioactive plutonium.

▶ The Food and Drug Administration approves a dental laser for treating cavities. Unlike traditional dental drills, the laser in most cases causes virtually no discomfort.



Premier Laser Systems, Inc.



▶ Riven, the long-awaited computer adventure game sequel to *Myst*, proves to be just as popular and even more sophisticated visually than its predecessor.

## flash

Hong Kong authorities in December order the slaughter of more than a million chickens in an effort to halt the spread of a bird flu virus that killed six people.

The space shuttle *Columbia* releases the errant *Spartan* satellite in November. U.S. astronaut Winston Scott and Takao Doi, the first Japanese astronaut to do a space walk, retrieve the satellite for return to Earth.



Reuters/Archive Photos

▶ French oceanographer and award-winning filmmaker Jacques Cousteau dies in June at 87. His work gained renown through the popular television series "The Undersea World of Jacques Cousteau."

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# Lifestyle



Teen People, a savvy monthly magazine for and about teenagers, premieres in February 1998.



Fashion advertising and clothing trends inspire the popularity of the color orange, which replaces neon green as the fad color of the year.



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In October, a cyberfashion show at the M.I.T. Media Lab Wearable Symposium features fashions with built-in computer devices and electronic hardware. M.I.T. students designed the high-tech fashions.



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Fashion looks to the Far East. The stick-on bindi, a tiny decorative accent worn in the middle of the forehead, is popularized by Gwen Stefani, lead singer of the band No Doubt.



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Princess Diana tribute merchandise abounds, including a double CD set and a new Beanie Baby named Princess, a royal purple bear adorned with a rose. Profits benefit the Diana, Princess of Wales Memorial Fund.

## Flash

Nike introduces a new "I Can" advertising campaign on New Year's Day. The company does not plan to abandon its "Just Do It" slogan, introduced in 1985, which will continue to appear on T-shirts and posters.

Diet Scent Patches are introduced in June by Slimline, a British company. Designed to help people diet successfully, the small arm stickers produce an unpleasant odor to discourage the wearer from eating sweets.



AP/Wide World

"Two Fat Ladies" becomes the Food Network's hottest new cooking show in the U.S., attracting fans with its unconventional British stars, two overweight, middle-aged women.



Christian Dior

This year's look in cosmetics is glimmering, sparkling and colorful. Riding this wave, cosmetics giant Christian Dior introduces Mascara Flash, temporary hair color in a variety of outrageous tints.



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Platform shoes, a fashion statement during the disco '70s, make a style comeback in a big way in 1997, inspiring even platform sneakers.



- ▶ The Chevrolet Corvette is named *Motor Trend* magazine's 1998 Car of the Year.

General Motors



Softer Hairstyle

Smaller Chest

Larger Waist

Smaller Hips



- ▶ A new \$50 bill featuring a larger, off-center portrait of President Ulysses S. Grant is unveiled in October. Design details make the bill more difficult to forge.



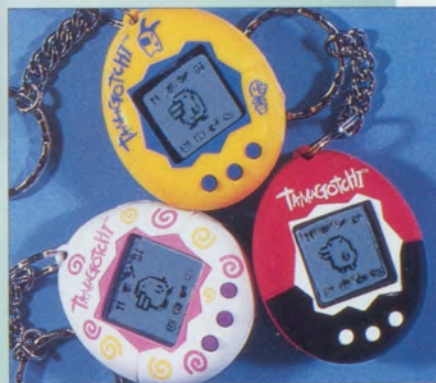
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- ▶ After nearly 40 years, Mattel's Barbie doll takes on a more realistic face and body shape than the Barbie of the '60s. The new doll will begin to appear in stores in early 1998.



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- ▶ Mattel introduces Share a Smile Becky in May 1997. Seated in a bright pink wheelchair, the doll is marketed as a friend to the traditional Barbie.



- ▶ Digital "pets" are a 1997 toy craze. These virtual critters keep their owners busy by beeping when they need care or feeding. If ignored, they "die."



Karl Steinbrenner

- ▶ Mehndi, intricate designs painted on the body with henna dye, is a popular expression of the fashion trend toward Eastern themes and patterns.

## flash

As many as 700 school districts nationwide teach "emotional intelligence," aiming to develop children's values and people skills as well as their minds.

Beepers are a status symbol and a lifestyle must-have for many teens juggling school, jobs and after-school activities. More than 40 million beepers are carried in the U.S., an estimated 25 percent of them by people between the ages of 12 and 24. In some schools, beepers are forbidden as disruptive.



- ▶ Canada issues a Superhero postage stamp series that includes a 45-cent stamp featuring the colorful, comic-book image of Superman.



Popular board games appear on CD-ROM in ever-growing numbers, including interactive favorites Monopoly, Scrabble, Sorry, Risk and Boggle.

# Entertainment news



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- ▲ Comedian Chris Farley dies at 33 of a drug overdose on December 18. He starred in NBC's "Saturday Night Live" and movies including *Tommy Boy* and *Beverly Hills Ninja*.



ABC from the Kobal Collection

- ◀ ABC's gritty police drama "NYPD Blue" remains one of the most popular one-hour dramas on television in 1997, capturing four Emmy Awards.



Universal Studios, Inc., from Shooting Star

- ▶ *The Lost World*, Steven Spielberg's *Jurassic Park* sequel, breaks summer box-office records everywhere. It earns \$229 million in the U.S.

Columbia/Mandaly from the Kobal Collection



- ▶ Horror films draw teenagers to the box office. *I Know What You Did Last Summer*, starring Jennifer Love Hewitt and Sarah Michelle Gellar, is one of the year's biggest attractions.



Gino Milford, Shooting Star

- ▶ Jerry Seinfeld, creator and star of the NBC hit "Seinfeld," announces in December that the 1997-1998 season is the show's last. The final episode airs in May, ending the popular show's nine-year run.

## flash

In its second season, the WB's campy sitcom "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" blossoms into a huge favorite with many viewers.

Jenny McCarthy stars in a new fall NBC comedy "Jenny" that, in January 1998, goes into hiatus only a few months into its first season. McCarthy had been an MTV personality before moving to the network.



Fox from Shooting Star

- ▶ Fox network launches "King of the Hill," an animated show that focuses on the lives of a propane dealer from Texas and his family. The show goes on to become a smash hit.



Dimension Films from the Kobal Collection

- ▶ *Scream 2*, the chilling hit sequel to *Scream*, is a wildly successful mix of carnage and comedy starring Neve Campbell, Jerry O'Connell, Tori Spelling, Jada Pinkett and a host of other stars.



Dreamworks Pictures from Shooting Star

- ▶ Critically acclaimed *Amistad*, directed by Steven Spielberg, tells the story of an 1839 slave ship mutiny. The film culminates years of effort by producer Debbie Allen to bring the story to life.

Religion is a common theme on eight fall-season network TV shows inspired by the success of CBS's "Touched by an Angel" starring Roma Downey, Della Reese and John Dye. New programs include ABC's "Nothing Sacred" and "Teen Angel."

CBS Entertainment from Shooting Star



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*Titanic* is a huge critical and box-office success. The movie event of the year, this \$200 million picture is the most costly in history. After 45 days in the theaters, *Titanic* had earned \$308 million.



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Fox/Paramount from Shooting Star

Michael Flatley's pulsating show "Lord of the Dance" fuels the extraordinary popularity of Irish dance. The show tours 15 cities in the U.S. through October.

In the fall, Fox debuts "Ally McBeal," a comedy/drama starring Calista Flockhart as a young Boston attorney. The show captures a Golden Globe Award in January 1998 for best series/musical or comedy.



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Matt Damon stars as an attorney in *The Rainmaker*, a movie based on the John Grisham novel. Damon's successes also include the film *Good Will Hunting*.



Columbia TriStar from Shooting Star

Summer blockbuster *Men in Black* grosses more than \$500 million worldwide to become 1997's biggest hit. The sci-fi comedy stars Will Smith and Tommy Lee Jones.

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The *Wonderful World of Disney* presents its adaptation of "Rodgers & Hammerstein's Cinderella" on ABC, starring Brandy as Cinderella and Whitney Houston as the Fairy Godmother.

*Tomorrow Never Dies*, starring Pierce Brosnan as 007, is a holiday box-office hit and confirms the enduring popularity of James Bond movies.



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The 1997 season premiere episode of "ER" is broadcast live and draws 42.7 million viewers for NBC, including those who watch it on a giant screen in Times Square.

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# MUSIC NEWS



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- ▶ Fiona Apple, 20, one of rock's female superstars, is named MTV's Best New Artist in a Video. Her single "Criminal" soars to the top of the charts.

- ◀ Chumbawamba's hit single "Tubthumping" brings long-awaited success to this British band. The song becomes popular at pro sports events, kicking off games for several teams.

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- ▲ Rap artist the Notorious B.I.G. is killed in a March 1997 drive-by shooting in Los Angeles. He is posthumously awarded MTV's 1997 Best Rap Video Award for "Hypnotize" and is named *Spin* magazine's Artist of the Year.



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- ◀ With their hit single "MMMBop," three young brothers from Tulsa become one of the biggest breakthrough acts of 1997 as the band Hanson.

- ▲ Lilith Fair, an all-female summer rock concert, draws large crowds on its 37-stop tour. Canadian singer-songwriter Sarah McLachlan masterminds the festival and releases a hit album, *Surfacing*.

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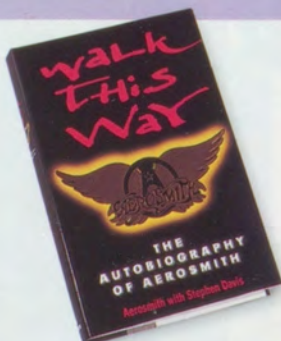
Drummer Bill Berry leaves R.E.M. after 17 years with the popular rock group. R.E.M. plans to continue as a trio.

Kenny G. enters the *Guinness Book of World Records* for holding the longest musical note—45 minutes, 47 seconds—on his saxophone.



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- ▲ Country music superstar Garth Brooks releases *Sevens*, his first album in two years. The album sells 800,000 copies the first week.



- ▲ *Walk This Way: The Autobiography of Aerosmith* chronicles the long career of the band notorious for its excesses in the '70s and '80s. The group's new album *Nine Lives* is nominated for a 1998 Grammy.



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- ▲ Smash Mouth popularizes a genre of alternative rock known as neo-ska with its hit single "Walkin' on the Sun" and debut album *Fush Yu Mang*.

▶ British pop phenomenon, the Spice Girls, makes millions with mega-hits such as "Wannabe" and sells 14 million albums and 10 million singles.

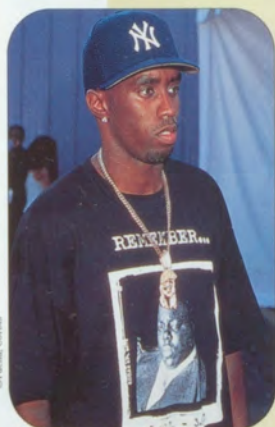
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▶ Adam Yauch of the Beastie Boys engineers the second Tibetan Freedom Concert, held in June in New York, offering 27 music acts and a free-Tibet political message.



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▶ The album *No Way Out* by Puff Daddy & the Family goes multiplatinum. Puffy's single "I'll Be Missing You," an elegy to his friend the Notorious B.I.G., also tops the charts.



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▶ Third Eye Blind, after several years in San Francisco's underground music scene, goes big time in 1997. Their song "Semi-Charmed Life" is listed as the top-selling modern rock single for 1997 in *Billboard* magazine.

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▶ Sixteen-year-old R&B phenom Jonny Lang opens for the Rolling Stones' fall tour and spends 16 weeks at No. 1 on *Billboard's* blues chart with his album *Lie to Me*.



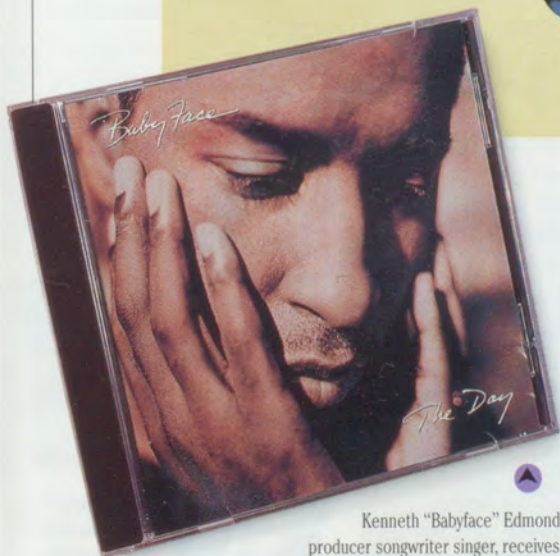
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Metallica releases a seventh album, *Re-Load*, that confirms its position as the premier heavy-metal band in the music world.

Radiohead is *Spin* magazine's Band of the Year. Critics praise Radiohead's album *OK Computer*, variously described as haunting, revolting, inscrutable, stunning and gorgeous. The album receives a 1998 Grammy nomination for *Rock/Pop Album of the Year*.

▶ At 15, country music sensation LeAnn Rimes sells more than 12.5 million recordings in the U.S. in 1997 and is named *Billboard* Music Awards Artist of the Year. Her single "How Do I Live" is one of the year's best sellers.



▶ Kenneth "Babyface" Edmonds, superstar producer songwriter singer, receives more 1998 Grammy nominations than any other artist, including one for his album *The Day*. Edmonds and wife Tracey also produce the film *Soul Food* in 1997.

# Sports News



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◀ In July, 16-year-old Swiss tennis star Martina Hingis becomes the youngest Wimbledon champion since 1887. Hingis wins three of the four 1997 Grand Slam events.



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▶ The Florida Marlins are baseball's 1997 World Series champs and the first team ever to win the Series without winning its league pennant. The Marlins defeat the Cleveland Indians in seven games.

▶ Quarterback John Elway leads the Denver Broncos to a 31-24 victory over the Green Bay Packers in Super Bowl XXXII in San Diego, January 25, 1998. It is Elway's first Super Bowl win in four appearances.



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◀ Tiger Woods, 21, becomes the youngest golfer ever to win the Masters Tournament. His 18-under-par score sets a Masters record. Woods wins 3 other tournaments and sets a PGA Tour earnings record of \$2.1 million for the season.



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▶ Mike Tyson bites off part of Evander Holyfield's ear and is disqualified in the WBA Heavyweight rematch in June 1997. Tyson is fined nearly \$3 million and his boxing license is revoked.

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Swedish golfing phenomenon Annika Sorenstam, 26, tops the LPGA earnings list in 1997 with a record \$1,236,789.

Professional sports salaries keep skyrocketing. One of the most publicized of 1997 is Kevin Garnett's \$126 million contract to play basketball for the Minnesota Timberwolves.



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▶ Pittsburgh Penguins' Mario Lemieux retires in April 1997 after a spectacular comeback from Hodgkin's disease and injury. Lemieux is elected to the Hockey Hall of Fame in September.



▶ In April 1997, the premier issue of *Sports Illustrated Women* hits the newsstands. The magazine reflects the explosive growth of female participation in sports.



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▶ Charles Woodson, Michigan's versatile junior cornerback, becomes the first primarily defensive player to win the Heisman Trophy, awarded in December.

▶ Jeff Gordon, at 26, wins the 1997 NASCAR Winston Cup, his second Winston Cup point title in three years. Gordon's 1997 points total 4,710.

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▶ The Chicago Bulls beat the Utah Jazz in June 1997 for their fifth NBA championship in seven years. Michael Jordan is chosen Finals MVP a record fifth time.

▶ When the college football season ends, two teams share the national championship. Michigan (12-0) is named No. 1 by the sports writers' poll, and Nebraska (13-0) by the coaches' poll.

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▶ Nagano, Japan, hosts the 1998 Winter Olympic Games during February. Three new medal sports make their Olympic debut: curling, snowboarding and women's ice hockey.

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▶ Detroit Red Wings captain Steve Yzerman powers his team to the 1997 Stanley Cup championship, its first in 42 years, by sweeping the Philadelphia Flyers in four games.



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Women officiate in an all-male professional sports league for the first time. The pioneers, Dee Kanter and Violet Palmer, are referees in the NBA.

Mark McGwire, of the St. Louis Cardinals, slams 52 homers in 1996 and 58 in 1997. McGwire becomes only the second player in baseball history with back-to-back, 50-home-run seasons, the other being Babe Ruth.



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▶ Dean Smith, winningest coach in college basketball history, retires in October after 36 seasons at North Carolina. *Sports Illustrated* names him 1997 Sportsman of the Year.

▶ In its debut season, the WNBA exceeds all league expectations for success. The Houston Comets' championship win over the New York Liberty caps the 1997 season.



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# Faces news



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Miss Illinois, Katherine Shindle, is crowned Miss America 1998. For the first time in its 77-year history the pageant allows contestants to wear two-piece swimsuits in competition.

Chelsea Clinton begins her freshman year at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California. Despite security measures, she reportedly will lead as normal a college life as possible.



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For the first time, a computer beats a world chess champion when IBM's Deep Blue beats Russian Garry Kasparov in a six-game match in May 1997.



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American Jody Williams and the International Campaign to Ban Land Mines are awarded the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize in October. The U.S. and China refuse to sign an international treaty that would ban land mines.



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Ted Turner, vice chairman of the Time Warner media empire, pledges \$1 billion to United Nations programs. It is the largest single gift in philanthropic history.

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Beloved actor Jimmy Stewart dies in July at 89. Stewart's enduring nice-guy popularity is exemplified by *It's a Wonderful Life*, his 1946 movie that is now an American cultural icon.



J.T. MacMillan, San Diego Union-Tribune

Roman Catholic nun Mother Teresa of Calcutta dies September 5 at the age of 87. Revered for a lifetime of helping the poorest of the poor, her many honors include the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize.

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Former leader of the Soviet Union Mikhail Gorbachev films a TV commercial for Pizza Hut. He reportedly earns \$1 million for the appearance, money he plans to use to benefit his Gorbachev Foundation.

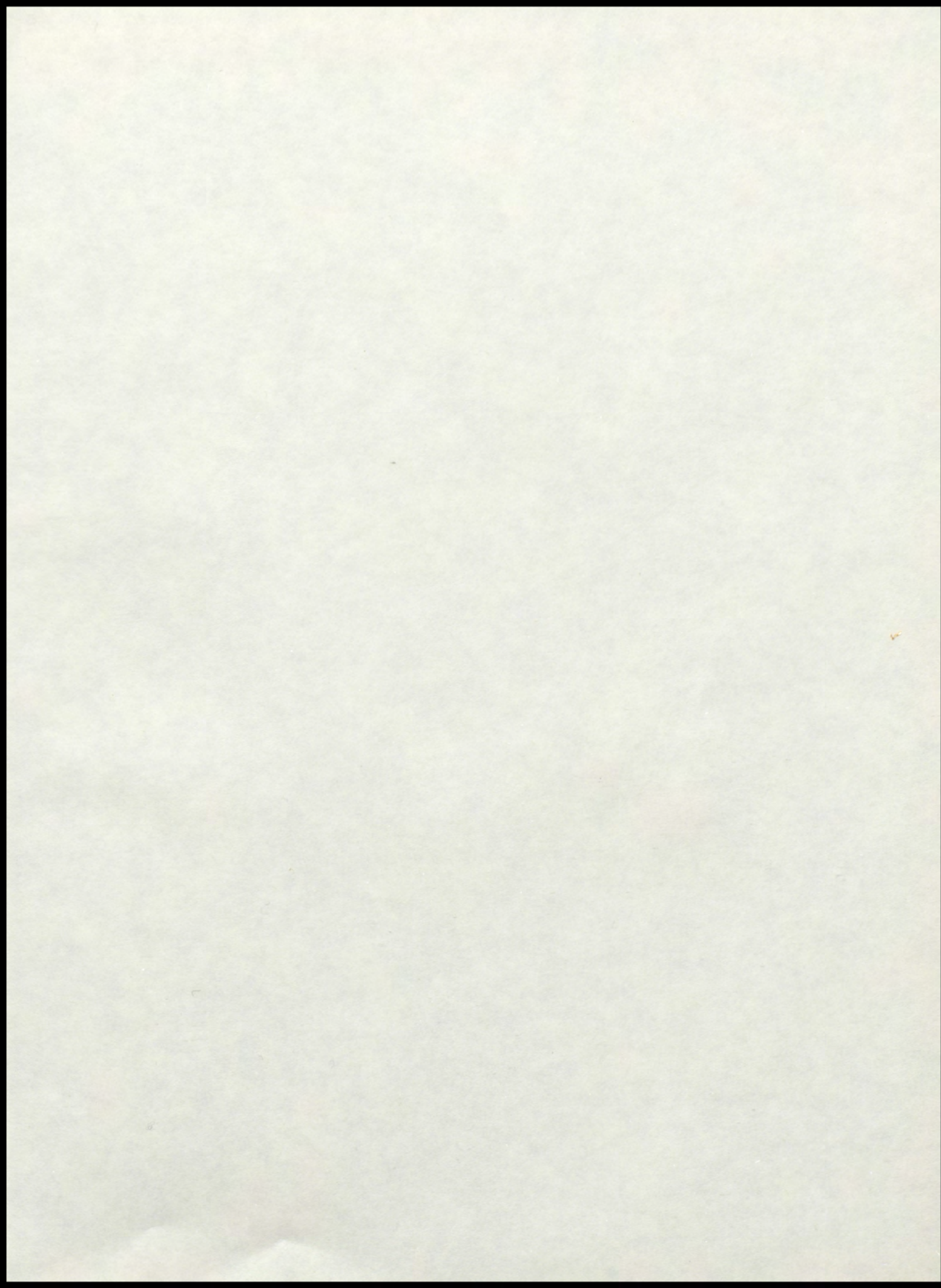
Singer John Denver dies in October at 53 when the experimental plane he is piloting crashes into California's Monterey Bay.

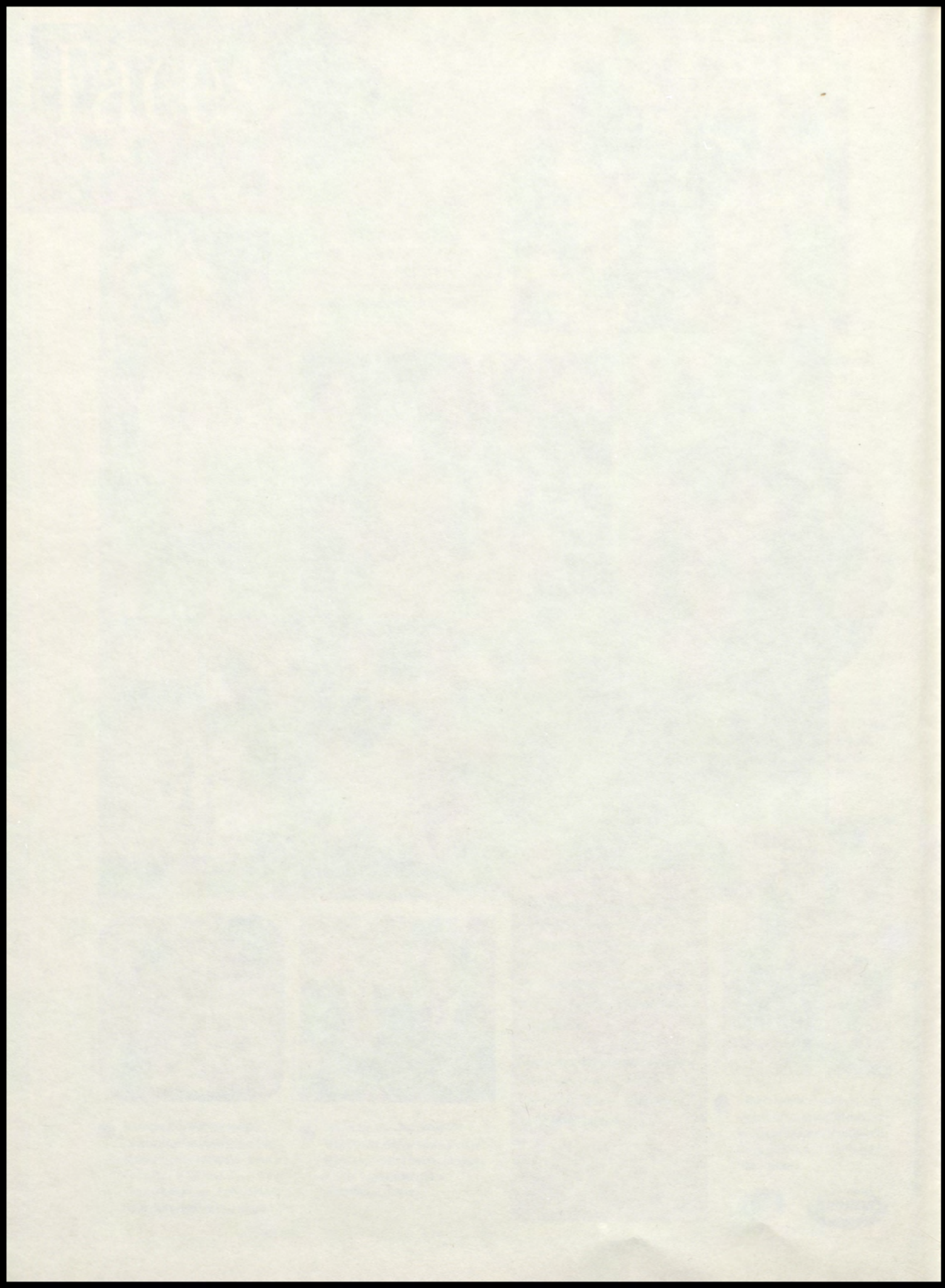


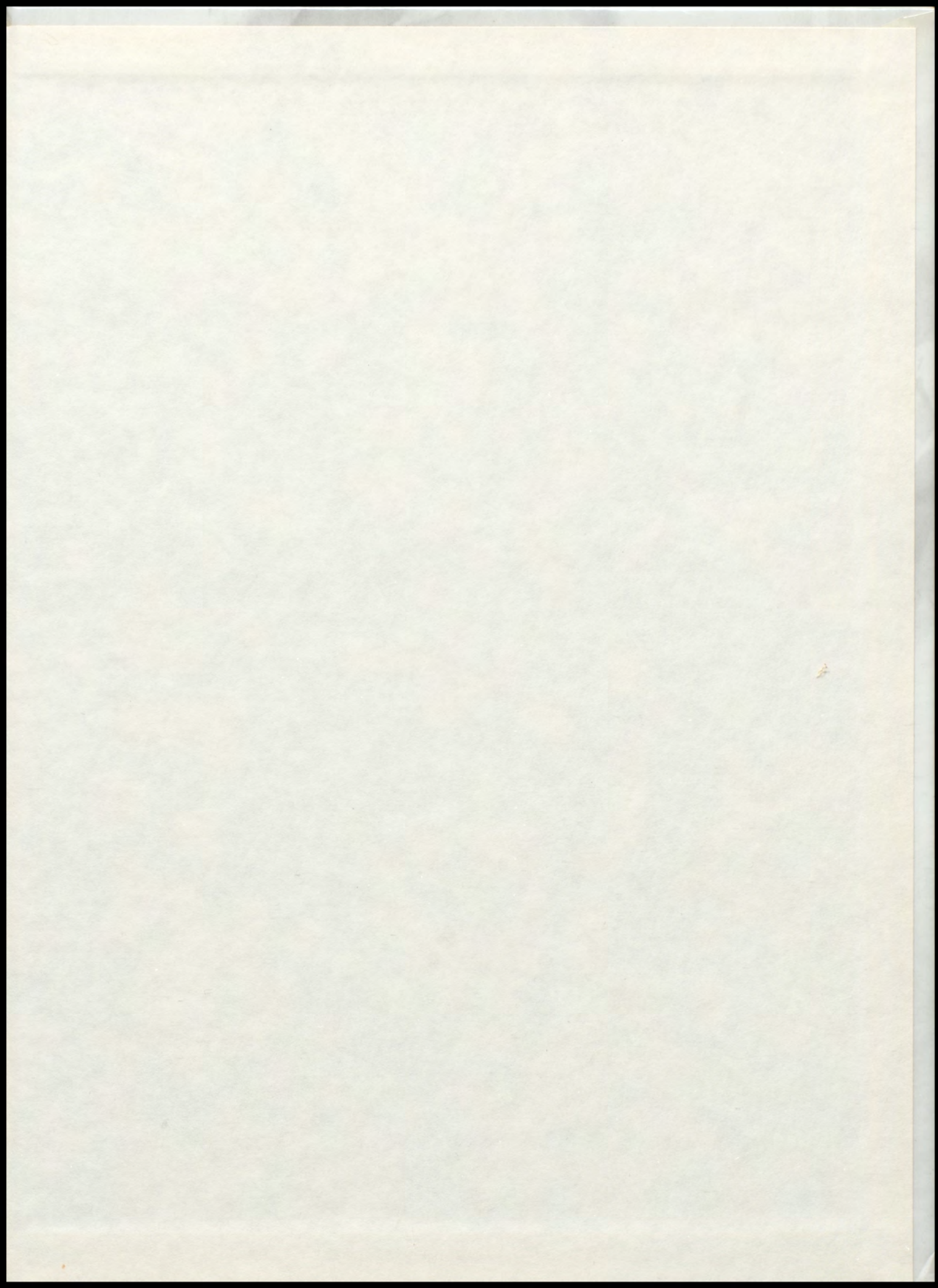
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Sarah Ferguson, Duchess of York, appears in ads as a spokesperson for Weight Watchers International. She is the former wife of England's Prince Andrew.









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