

People *change along life's unknown* **PATHS**

While walking down the path of life, several steps were made. Coming from diverse paths, each student, faculty and staff member allowed his or her steps to fill the campus.

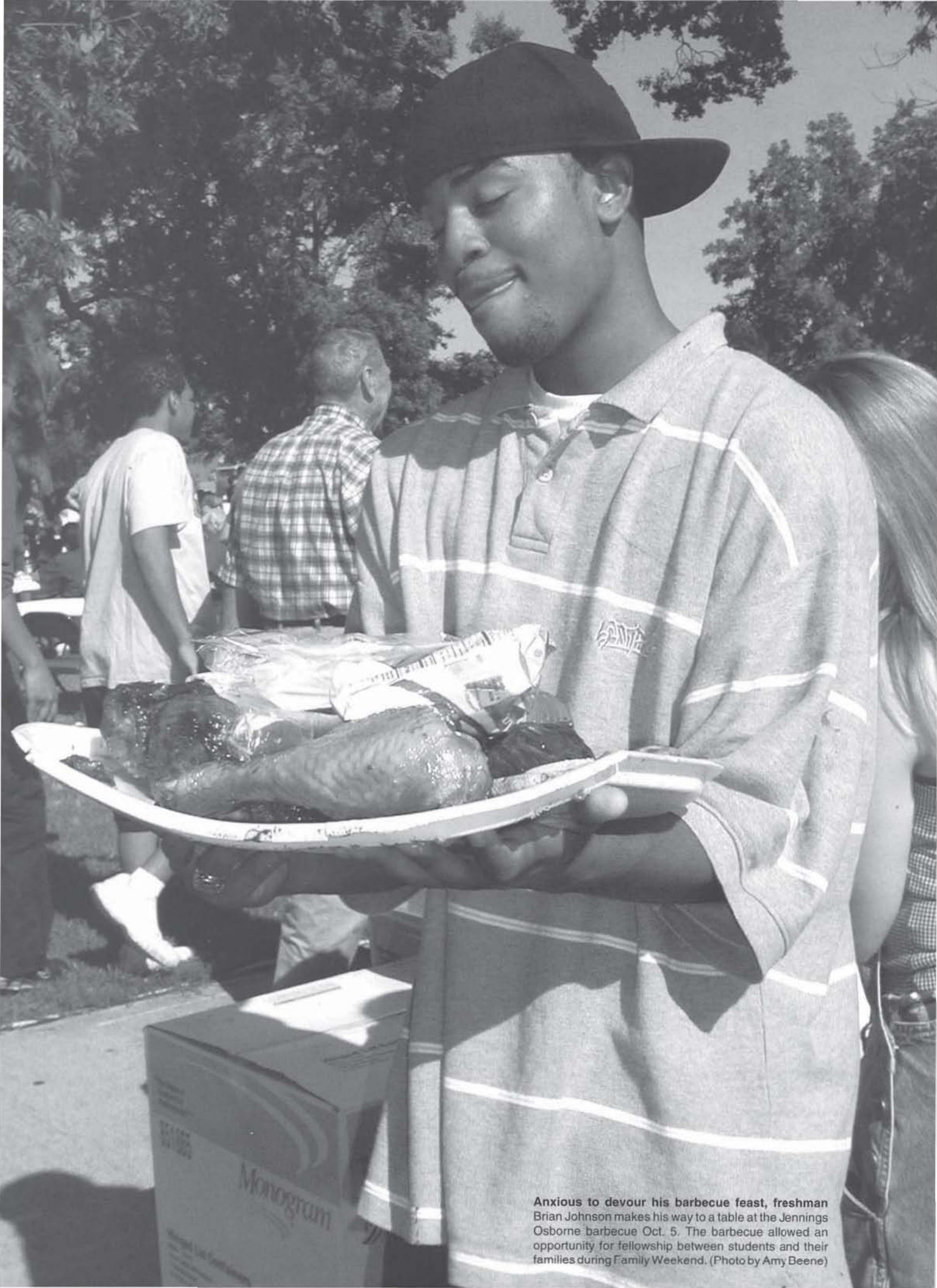
God promised to never forsake people as they progressed from step to step.

Taking the first steps, freshmen faced the transition from high school to college. Sophomores declared majors and favored the idea of someone else being the new kids on the block. Anxious about the swiftness of their college years, juniors assumed leadership roles on campus. Seniors prepared for careers and families while taking the final steps of their college careers.

Students experienced steps of happiness when they rejoiced over a baptism and steps of sadness when they watched a friend struggle with sin. Thanksgiving was expressed when students prayed to God for their daily blessings.

Each step taken was one step closer to academic, social and spiritual goals. These steps prepared students for the future challenges they would encounter on the path of life.

—Emily Sane
People Editor



Anxious to devour his barbecue feast, freshman Brian Johnson makes his way to a table at the Jennings Osborne barbecue Oct. 5. The barbecue allowed an opportunity for fellowship between students and their families during Family Weekend. (Photo by Amy Beene)

final *taking the* steps

Seniors gain insight through internships

As seniors prepared for graduation and pondered career choices, they took steps to become qualified for their future jobs.

Participating in internship programs was one way seniors gained experience.

Senior Jaime Fahs said her summer internship, at FOX 2 News in St. Louis, focused her career choices.

"My internship helped me narrow my focus and really get a taste of what I wanted to do with my career," Fahs said. "Everyone should do an internship, no matter what their field."

The College of Education prepared its students for the classroom by requiring them to student teach for a semester.

Senior Andrew Chance said his student teaching experience was beneficial.

"The opportunity to watch and learn from

someone else is the greatest learning tool," Chance said. "As problems occur in the classroom, a student teacher can see how someone with experience handles the situation."

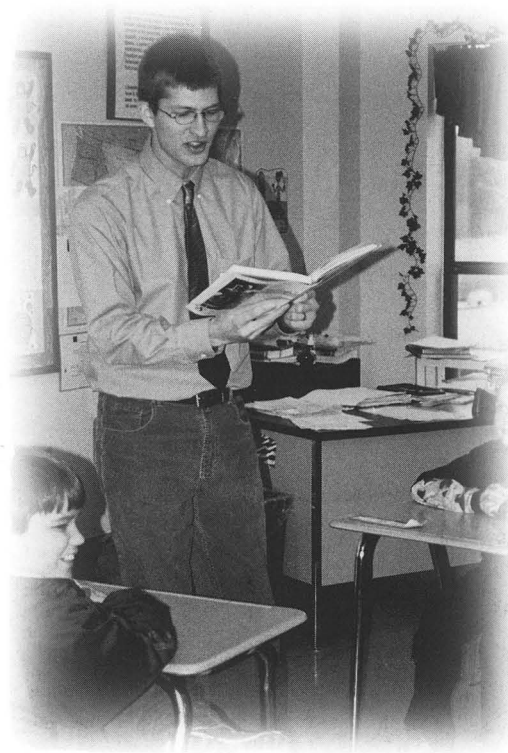
The College of Nursing required students to complete nursing clinicals before graduation. Senior Stephanie Giesemann enjoyed seeing the textbook knowledge transformed into real-life occurrences.

"During clinicals, a nursing student sees the whole spectrum of daily occurrences in a hospital," Giesemann said. "Working with a [Registered Nurse] reduces initial shock."

In the form of classes and studies, preparation brought knowledge.

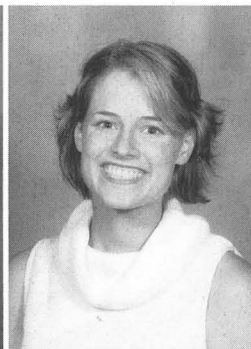
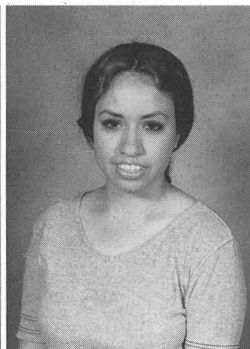
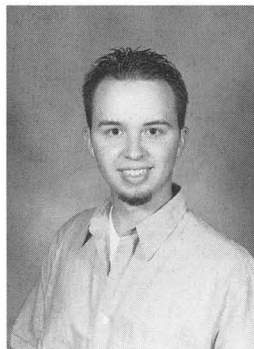
Proverbs 24:5 states, "Those with knowledge have great strength." (NIV)

—Emily Sane



Capturing the attention of his students, senior Andrew Chance reads a book to a fourth grade class as part of his student teaching responsibilities at White County Central School. The College of Education required its seniors to student teach for one semester in an effort to provide them with classroom experience before graduation. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

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Dulce Aguirre—Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Advertising. Campaigns (Honduras, Mexico). Dean's List. Phi Eta Sigma. TV 16. University Singers. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
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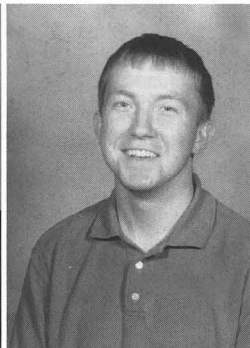
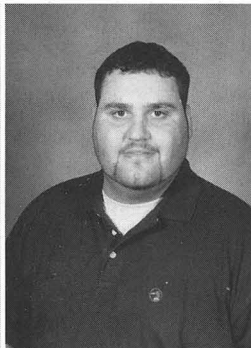
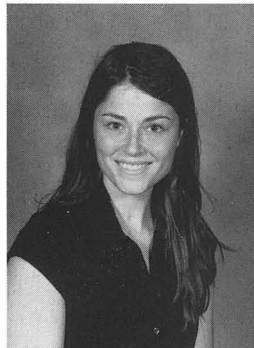


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James Allen—Huntsville, Ark. Youth and Family Ministry. Delta Chi Delta.

Jodi Allen—Searcy, Ark. Family and Consumer Sciences.

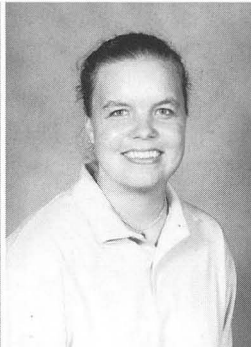
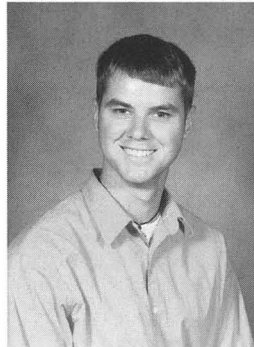


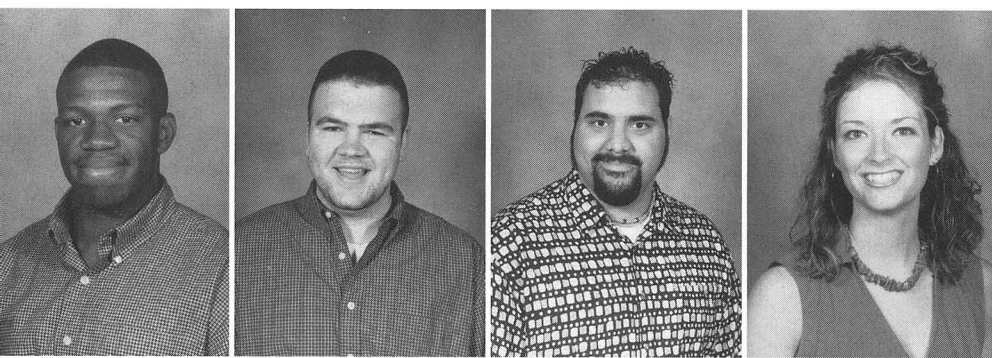
Matthew Allen—Franklin, Tenn. Professional Sales. Omega Sigma.

Nicole Allison—Kenya, E. Africa. Art. Campaigns (Missouri). Good News Singers. Delta Gamma Rho.

Hanna Anderson—Bremen, Germany. Art. Campaigns. American Studies. Alpha Chi. Dean's List. SALT.

Ledys Antunez—La Ceiba, Honduras. International Business. Dean's List. Intramurals.

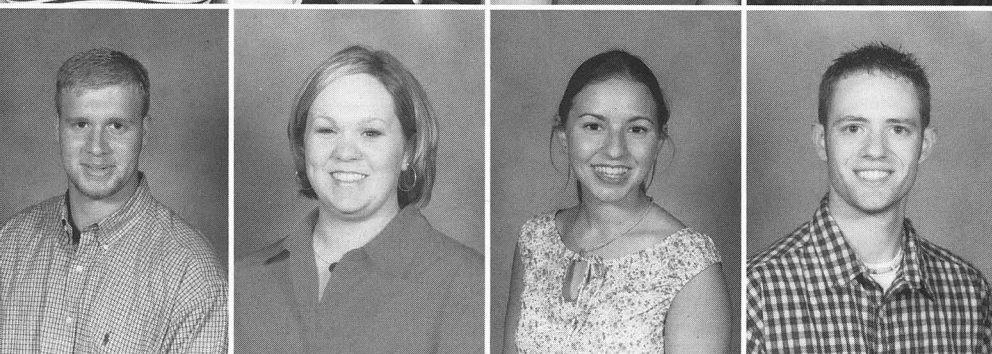




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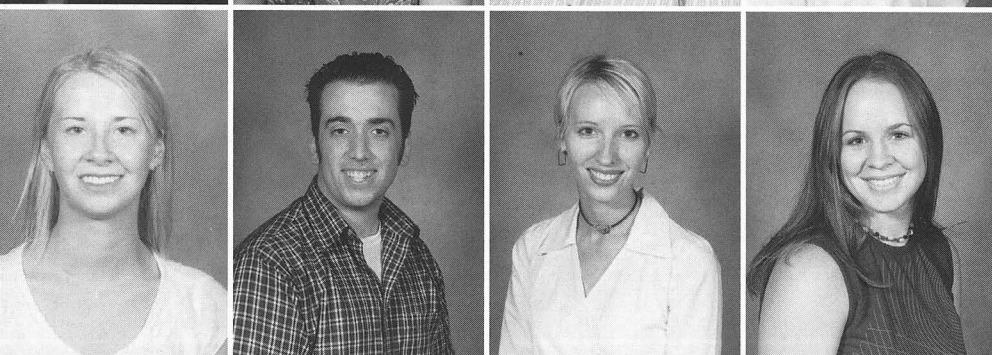
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Katrina Austin—Merrimac, Mass. Middle Level English/Language Arts/Social Studies/Math/Science. Alpha Chi. Kappa Delta Pi. Dean's List. Campaigns (New Hampshire). American Studies. OEGE.
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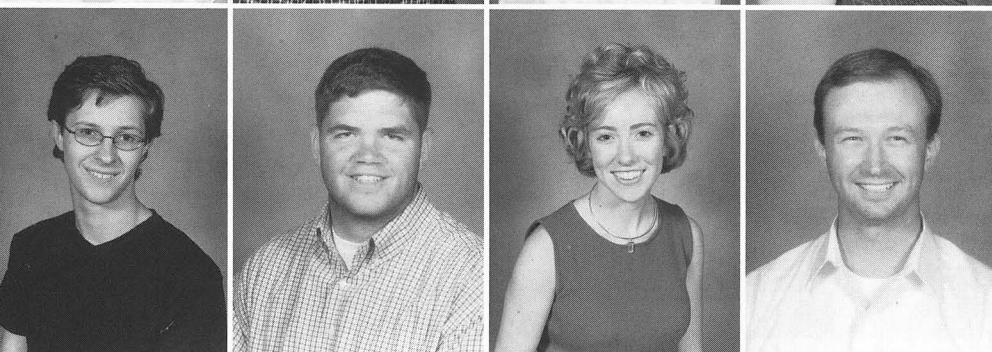
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Sarah Bailey—El Dorado, Ark. Fashion and Interior Merchandising. American Society of Interior Design. FCS.
Elizabeth Baiocchi—Northville, Mich. Oral Communications Licensure. SA Officer. Omicron Delta Kappa. Sigma Tau Delta. Who's Who. Club Queen (Pi Kappa Epsilon). Ju Go Ju.
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Jessica Barker—Texarkana, Ark. Nursing. Transfer (Texarkana Community College).
Jason Barnhart—Cabot, Ark. Management. Chi Sigma Alpha.



Shelia Bateman—St. Claire Shores, Mich. Human Resources. Campaigns (Honduras). Dean's List. International Studies (HUF). Pi Sigma Epsilon. SHRM. Ju Go Ju.
Jeremy Beauchamp—Yucaipa, Calif. Print Journalism. *Bison* Staff (Editor). Who's Who. Alpha Chi. Omicron Delta Kappa. Campaigns (Florida). Dean's List. King's Men.
Jamie Beecher—Colleyville, Texas. Fashion and Interior Merchandising. Dean's List. American Marketing Society. Dead Federalist Society.
Kendra Bell—Olathe, Kan. English Licensure. Transfer (Cloud County Community College). Intercollegiate Basketball.



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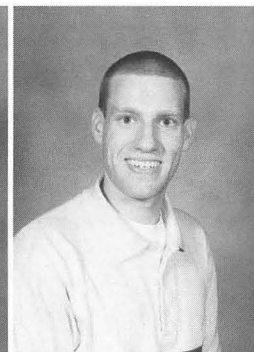
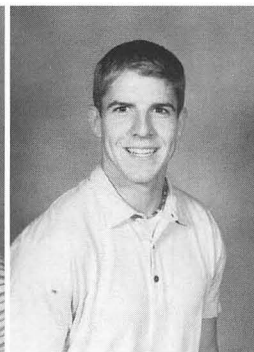
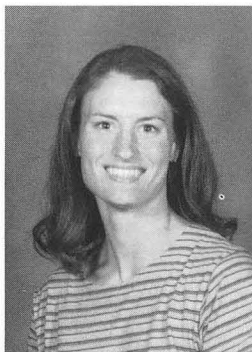


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of North Texas). American Marketing Association. Band. Campaigns
(Canada). Club Beau (Ju Go Ju). Intramurals. Knights.

Erik Birkholtz—Kingston, N.H. Criminal Justice/Behavioral Sciences.
American Studies. Dean's List. Honors Association.
Students for Life. Who's Who.

Stacey Black—Memphis, Tenn. Communication Disorders-Public School.
Dean's List. Who's Who. Student Speech and Hearing Association. Ko Jo Kai.

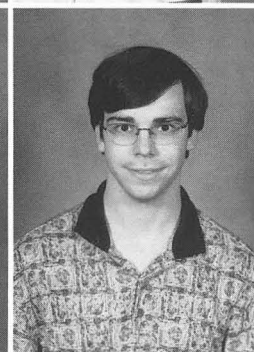


Loni Bliss—Tabernacle, N.J. Early Childhood Licensure. SALT.
Kappa Delta Pi. Dean's List. Intramurals.

Lacey Borger—Amarillo, Texas. Communication Disorders-Public School.
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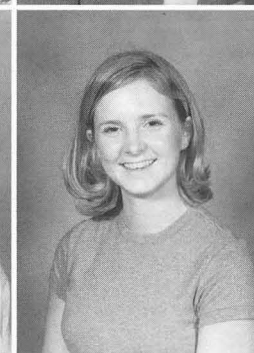
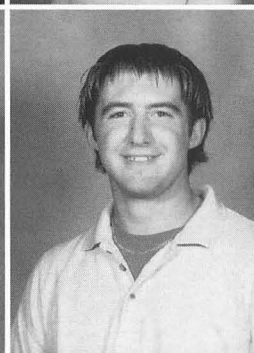
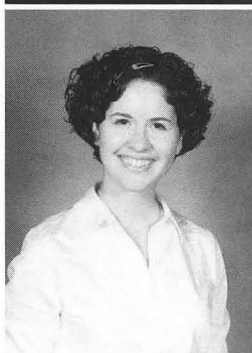


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Crystal Brazle—Ozark, Mo. Biology Licensure. Devita. Honors
Association. Dean's List. College Republicans. Zeta Rho.

Rebekka Brazle—Tallmadge, Ohio. Missions. Club Queen (Delta Chi
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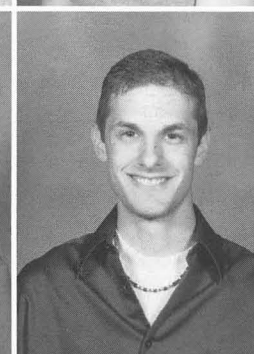
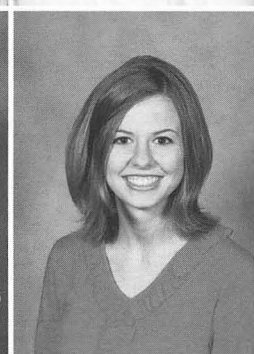
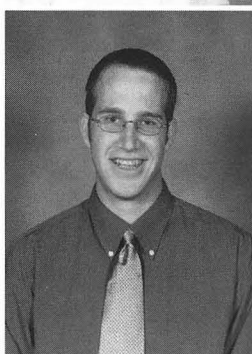


Joseph Bresnahan—Little Rock, Ark. Music Education. Band. Concert
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Emily Britt—Bernie, Mo. Accounting/Management. GATA.

Alicia Brophy—Paducah, Ky. Early Childhood Licensure. Pi Kappa Delta.
SALT. Chi Omega Pi.

Cameron Brown—Longview, Texas. Health Care Management. ACHE.
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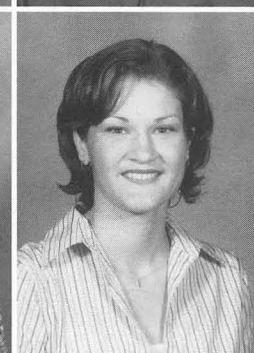
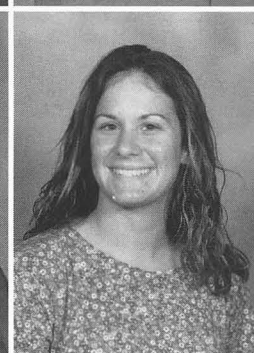
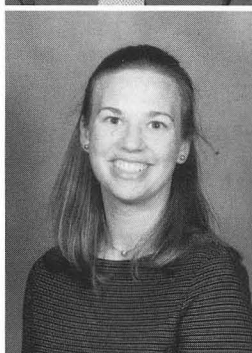


Christy Brown—Midland, Texas. Middle Level Math and Science. Club
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Student Impact. Shantih.

Latonya Brown—Little Rock, Ark. Psychology. Multi-Cultural Student
Action Committee.

Lil Bruni—Middleburg, Fla. Social Science Licensure. Transfer (St. John's
River Community College). Campaigns (Hawaii). Resident Assistant. JOY.

Melody Bryan—Novi, Mich. Nursing. Campaigns (Illinois, Mexico).
Dean's List. Chi Omega Pi.

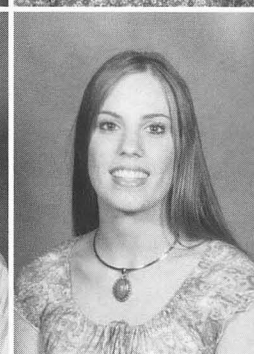
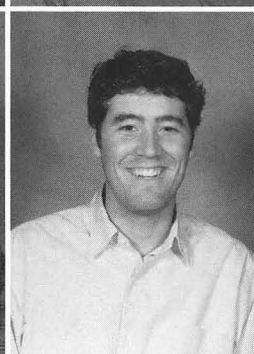
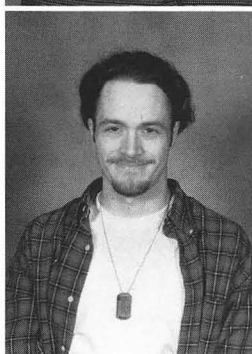


James Burk—Humble, Texas. Mathematics.

Grant Burke—Memphis, Tenn. Interactive Media. Titans.

Jennifer Burnley—Calhoun, Ga. Child and Family Sciences.

Ashlie Burroughs—Rowlett, Texas. Exercise Science. Exercise Science
Club. Intercollegiate Athletics (Volleyball). Ko Jo Kai.





senior class officers pursue service paths

Members of the senior class elected President Natalie Smeltzer, Secretary/Treasurer Josiah Smelser and Vice President Elizabeth Hendrix to lead them in their final year at Harding.

The members of the senior class looked beyond their current steps of classes and club functions to steps of service at Harding and in Searcy.

Wanting to involve himself on campus, Smelser ran for a class office to direct the seniors' path of service.

"It is such an honor and privilege to be elected by all of my peers and serve my class in a huge way on campus," Smelser said. "We want to serve the seniors at Harding and the community in Searcy."

Smelser, along with Smeltzer and Hendrix, volunteered for Homecoming Weekend, Oct. 25-26, the Day of Outreach, March 5, and the Osborne barbecue, Oct. 5.

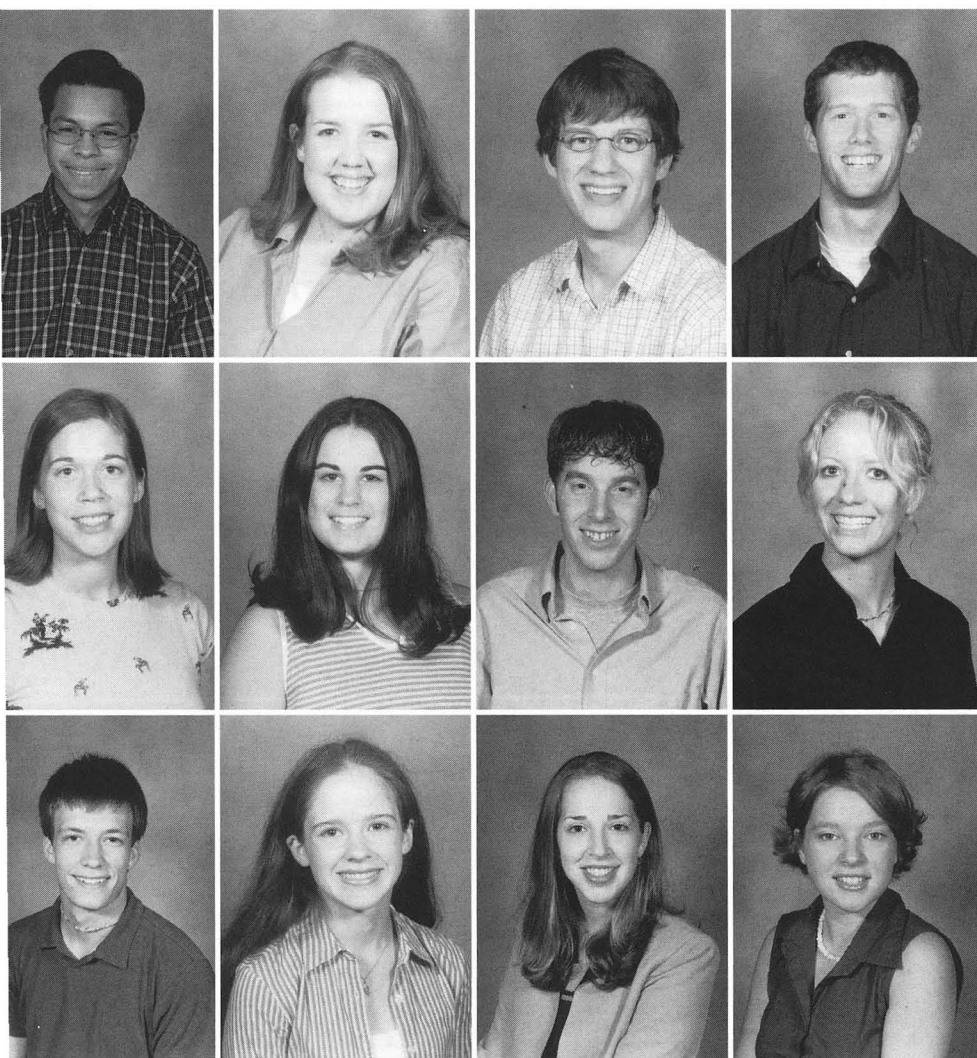
"During the annual Osborne barbecue, we set up the inflatable toys for the children to enjoy," Hendrix said. "We worked together to entertain the children throughout the day."

Volunteering in projects on campus and off campus, the class officers led by example. They realized the importance of working together as they served others.

"I am a project contact for the Day of Outreach," Hendrix said. "We want to encourage the seniors to participate and to reach out into the community."

Working together, the senior class officers provided examples for other seniors. They hoped their steps of service would continue in the future after graduating from school.

"We could have never fulfilled our individual positions without the help of each other," Smeltzer said. "Our positions have taught us the importance of service." (Photo by Renee Lewis)



Joel Bustamante—Managua, Nicaragua. International Business. American Marketing Association. Campaigns (Florida, Georgia, New Jersey). Alpha Tau Epsilon.

Catherine Butler—Marrero, La. Chemistry. Resident Assistant. Gedanken Society. International Studies (HUG). Band. Campaigns (Texas).

Jay Callicott—Richardson, Texas. Computer Science. Titans.

Michael Campbell—Searcy, Ark. Political Science. Chi Sigma Alpha.

Bekki Canales—Killen, Ala. Marketing. Dean's List. American Marketing Society. Campaigns (Arizona). Accounting Society. Ju Go Ju.

Sarah Carpenter—New Hartford, N.Y. Early Childhood Licensure. SALT. Lacrosse Club. Intramurals. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

Benjamin Carrigan—Hendersonville, Tenn. Early Childhood Licensure. Campaigns (Canada). Club Beau (Kappa Gamma Epsilon). Dean's List. Kappa Delta Pi. Omicron Delta Kappa. Delta Chi Delta.

Stefanie Carruth—Amarillo, Texas. Graphic Design. Transfer (Amarillo College). Campaigns (Illinois). Student Impact. Intramurals. Youth Corps. Shantih.

Adam Carter—Elbert, Colo. Human Resources. Transfer (York College). SHRM.

Kimberley Carver—Houston, Texas. Management. Alpha Chi. Delta Mu Delta. American Studies. Dean's List. Phi Eta Sigma.

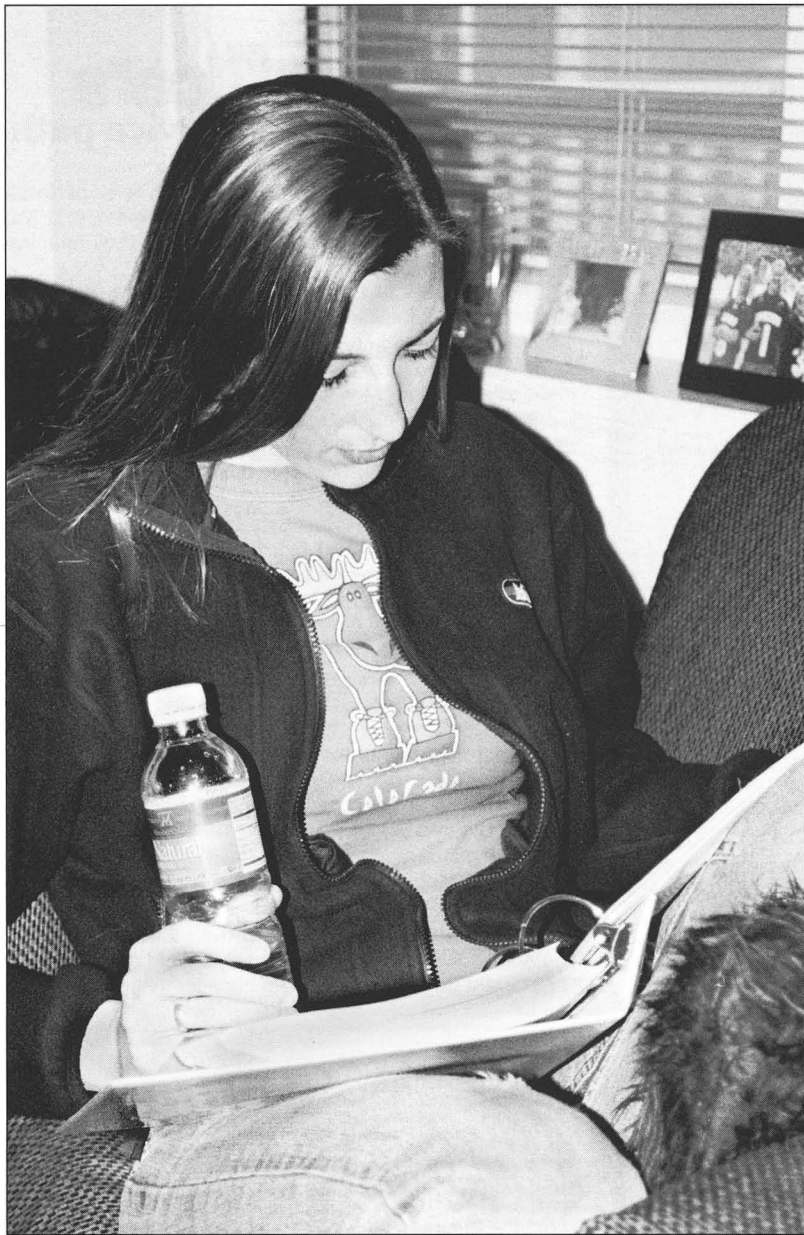
Emorie Casey—Tyrone, Ga. Spanish. Dean's List.

Elena Castiglione—Memphis, Tenn. Nursing. Zeta Rho.



bottled water

quenches thirst with options



To gain refreshment while studying for a test in her dorm room, junior Lindsay Burton holds a bottle of water. An outburst of bottled water selections provided students with choices when they wanted to quench their thirsts. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

In the 1990s, the emergence of multiple brands of purified, bottled water swept the market.

By 2002, only 38 percent of drinking water in America was taken from the tap, Marie Devlin, marketing director for Propel, said in the Aug. 23 issue of *USA Today*.

Harding students caught on to the trend of bottled water.

After long runs at the track, senior Beth Prost often reached for bottled water to quench her thirst.

"I hate tap water," Prost said. "I prefer bottled water to tap water any day."

Junior Michelle Gatton said she even preferred certain types of bottled water.

"I just think different brands [of water] taste different to me," Gatton said. "I know they don't to some other people. Some waters just taste slimy to me. Arrowhead water is my favorite, but I haven't been able to find it here [in Searcy]."

Although bottled water manufacturers often claimed their water was filtered for impurities, some were still skeptical about the difference.

"I think if you're going to drink water you should drink water, nothing extra," senior Michael Parks said.

Other students preferred tap water because it cost less than bottled water.

"I prefer not to spend money on bottled water," senior Jennifer Jordan said. "I don't really have a preference. If I do drink bottled water, I choose Aquafina."

Besides not wanting to pay for water and being unable to distinguish between tap and bottled water, some students simply did not care for the taste of bottled water.

"I never drink bottled water, senior Summer Richey said. "It has no taste."

Waters enhanced with vitamins, nutrients and flavors grew in popularity this year, as marketers hoped to gear products towards consumers with the same opinions as Richey.

More than 34 enhanced-water products were introduced to the market in 2002, including Dasani, NutriWater, Aquafina Essential and AriZona Water AID.

Senior Jennifer Kendall-ball preferred Gatorade's Propel Fitness water to all other brands of water.

"It's low-calorie and it tastes great," Kendall-ball said. "Plus, I am getting vitamins I wouldn't otherwise be getting."

Students who appreciated the health benefits of water sometime appreciated the added benefits of enhanced water.

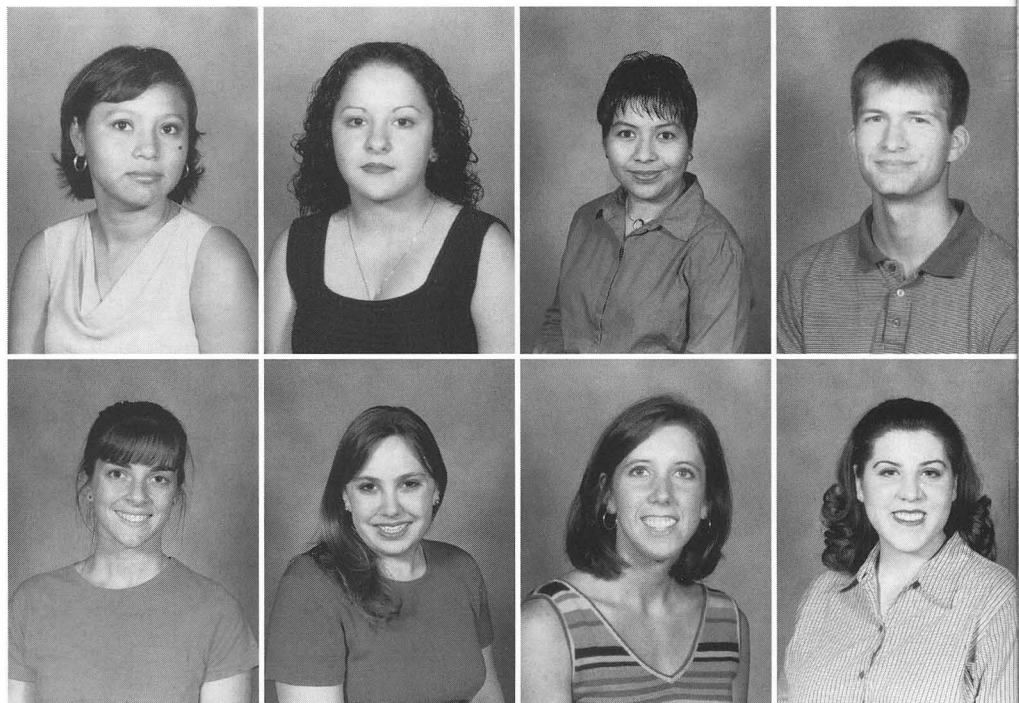
"I love the taste of flavored waters and the fact that they have vitamins is an added bonus," junior Christina Moydell said.

Although not an added health benefit, some students preferred water with carbonation, such as Perrier.

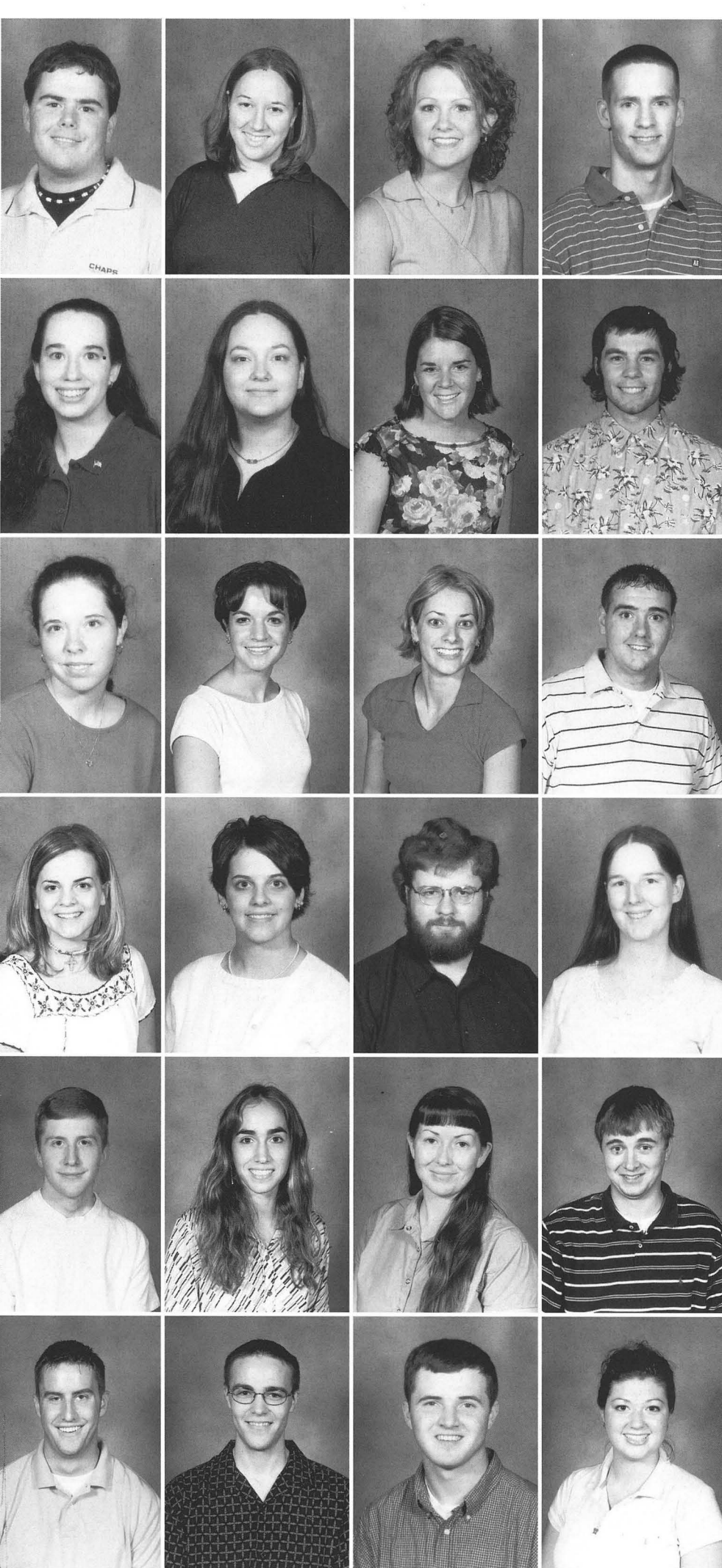
"I like the fizzy water," senior Dakota Waldroop said. "I think water is honestly a little bit boring, but fizzy water is where it's at."

—Jaime Fahn

Senaida Castillo—Orange Walk Town, Belize. Finance.
Elsa Chacon—San Jose, Costa Rica. Mathematics. Transfer (University of Costa Rica). Dean's List. Dactylogy. Walton International Scholar.
Glendy Champet—Guatemala, Guatemala. International Business. International Student Society. Phi Eta Sigma. Dean's List.
Andrew Chance—Searcy, Ark. Early Childhood Licensure.



Sara Chance—N. Little Rock, Ark. Middle Level English/Language Arts/Social Science. Alpha Chi. Intercollegiate Athletics (Cross Country). American Studies. SALT. Dean's List.
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Christy Cheatham—Montgomery, Ala. Marketing. American Marketing Association. Campaigns (Australia). Club Queen. Dean's List. International Studies (HUF). Zeta Rho.
Aerren Childers—Van Buren, Ark. Accounting. Delta Gamma Rho.



Aaron Chism—Plumerville, Ark. Interactive Media.

Rebecca Clausen—Paducah, Ky. Nursing. Dean's List. Nursing Student Association. International Studies (HUG). Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

April Clem—Lone Oak, Texas. Graphic Design. Campaigns (Africa). Dean's List. *Petit Jean* Staff. Zeta Rho.

Drew Clothier—Crawfordsville, Ark. Exercise Science. Football. Dean's List. Campaigns (England). Exercise Science Club. Seminoles.

Kylie Cochran—Hendersonville, N.C. Early Childhood Licensure. Transfer (Freed Hardeman University). Alpha Chi. American Studies. International Studies (HUG). Kappa Delta Pi. SALT.

Brook Coffman—Pocahontas, Ark. Math Licensure. Alpha Chi. Dean's List. Scribblers. University Singers. Campaigns (Thailand).

Jennifer Cole—Indianapolis, Ind. Early Childhood Licensure. Campaigns. JOY. Delta Gamma Rho.

Preston Collier—Cedarville, Ohio. English Licensure. SA Class Representative. Student Impact. SAC. Campaigns (Massachusetts). Campus Players. King's Men.

Briana Collins—Saucier, Miss. Nursing. HSNA. Nursing Student Association. Campus Civitan Club.

Susie Collins—Piqua, Ohio. Dietetics. Concert Choir. Dean's List. Omicron Delta Kappa. Dietetics. Delta Gamma Rho.

Emily Combs—Bartlesville, Okla. Club Queen (Delta Chi Delta). Campaigns (Texas). Dean's List. Concert Choir. College Republicans. Zeta Rho.

Curtis Conn—Arcola, Ill. Information Technology. Campaigns. Concert Choir. Resident Assistant. University Singers.

Ryan Connell—Birmingham, Ala. Child and Family Sciences. Delta Mu Delta. FCS. College Republicans. Shantih.

Bethany Cook—Waukesha, Wis. Fashion and Interior Merchandising. American Society of Interior Design. FCS.

James Coone—Lewisburg, Tenn. Computer Science. King's Men.

Rebecca Coone—Lexington, S.C. Computer Science. OEGE.

Austin Cooper—Clarksville, Texas. Accounting. Accounting Society.

Daniela Corrales—Tegucigalpa, Honduras. International Business. Tennis. Delta Mu Delta. Dean's List. Club Queen (Sub T-16).

Renee Cothron—Haskell, Texas. Advertising. Campaigns (Canada, Mexico). International Studies (HUF). Dean's List. Band. Intramurals.

Christopher Courson—Ontario, Canada. Accounting. Pi Kappa Epsilon.

James Cox—Owatonna, Minn. Management. SAM. SHRM. Kappa Sigma Kappa.

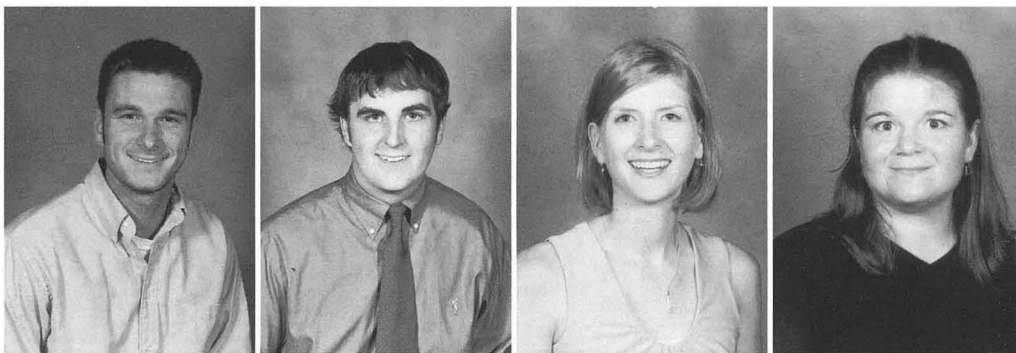
Jared Cox—Bentonville, Ark. General Studies. Sigma Tau Sigma.

Justin Cox—Marion, Ark. Youth and Family Ministry. Youth Corps. Resident Assistant. King's Men.

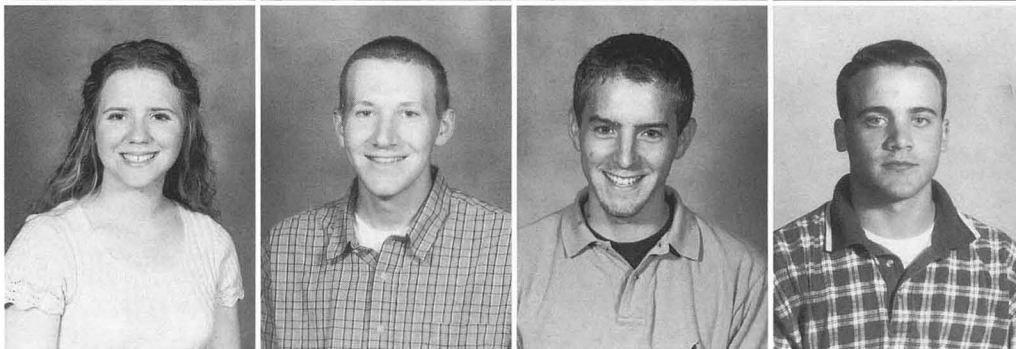
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Adam Crane—Atlanta, Ga. Biology. Devita. TNT.
Zachary Crawford—Calhoun, Ga. Marketing. American Marketing Society. College Republicans. Dead Federalist Society. Premed Club. Pi Sigma Epsilon. Titans.
Meagan Crews—Houston, Texas. Marketing. American Studies. Alpha Chi. International Studies (HUF). Dean's List. American Marketing Society. Ko Jo Kai.
Melissa Crockett—Claremore, Okla. Social Work. Who's Who. Resident Assistant. Tentmakers. Phi Eta Sigma. Campaigns (Scotland, Illinois). Shantih.



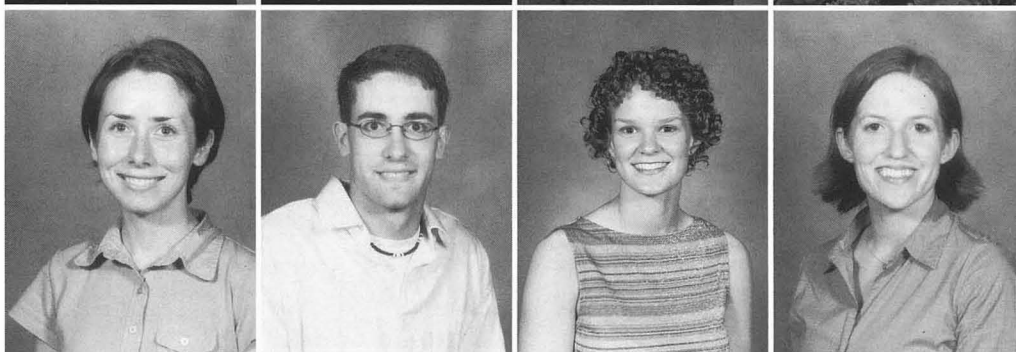
Eliza Crowley—Cabot, Ark. Accounting. University Singers. Dactylogy. Circle K. Accounting Society.
Michael Culpepper—Ft. Worth, Texas. Management. SA Officer. Delta Mu Delta. Dean's List. SAM. Alpha Chi.
Brad Cunningham—Tulsa, Okla. Accounting. Pi Kappa Epsilon.
Justin Curry—Sherwood, Ark. Information Technology. Intramurals. Omega Sigma.



Brianna Curtis—Sherwood, Ark. Interior Design. Belles and Beaux. American Society of Interior Design. FCS. Ko Jo Kai.
Robyn Cutts—Tabernacle, N.J. History. International Studies. (HUF). Club Queen. Dean's List. Phi Alpha Theta. Zeta Rho.
Anne Darby—Colorado Springs, Colo. Early Childhood Licensure. Campaigns (Delaware, Florida). Circle K. Shantih.
Dina Darden—Searcy, Ark. Child and Family Sciences.



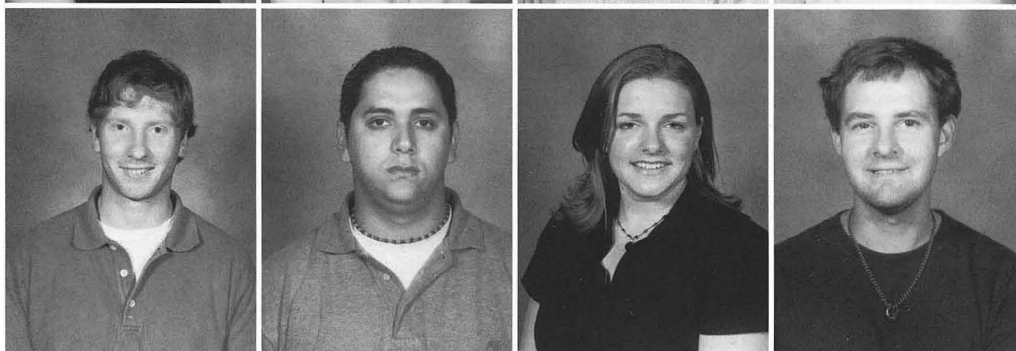
Sarah Davidson—Ft. Scott, Kan. Advertising. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Bison Staff. Campaigns (Germany). Dean's List. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
Brian Davis—Sunnyvale, Texas. Sports Management. Intramurals. SAC. PEM. King's Men.
Taylor Davis—Hendersonville, Tenn. English Licensure. Campaigns (Canada). Club Queen (Knights). Basketball. Sigma Tau Delta. Student Impact (Co-Director). Ju Go Ju.
Janet Day—Memphis, Tenn. Early Childhood Licensure. Campaigns (Washington). Alpha Chi. International Studies (HUF). Kappa Delta Pi. SALT. Chi Omega Pi.



Kimberly Deaton—Staunton, Va. Math Licensure. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Campaigns (Colorado). International Studies (HUF). Youth Corps. Zeta Rho.
Erica DeLaVergne—Anderson, Ind. Spanish. Alpha Chi Malachi. American Studies. Dean's List. Kappa Delta Pi. SALT. Chi Omega Pi.
Luke DeLaVergne—Anderson, Ind. Bible. Dean's List. Alpha Chi Malachi. Club Beau. Campaigns (Mexico). Alpha Tau Epsilon.
Aleigha DeLukie—Buckholts, Texas. Biology.



Bubba DeLukie—W. Monroe, La. Management. International Studies (HUG). Football. SAM. Seminoles.
Manuel Diaz—San Jose, Costa Rica. Information Technology. Delta Mu Delta. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Phi Eta Sigma. Dean's List.
Angi Dickerson—Sugar Land, Texas. Early Childhood Licensure. SALT. Kappa Delta Pi. Dean's List. Who's Who. Campaigns (Georgia, Minnesota). Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
Jake Dietz—Casstown, Ohio. Chemistry. Transfer (Sinclair College). Gedanken Society. Campaigns (New Hampshire). Club Beau (OEGE). College Republicans. University Singers.





on-campus convenience store saves time for shoppers

Reviewing snack food options, senior Jonathan Briggs takes advantage of the student center's C3 store, the on-campus convenience store designed to meet the needs of college students with little time to shop.

In response to students' suggestions, officials from Harding and Aramark teamed up to open the new store, which filled the vacancy left by the closing of The Etc... Gift Shop in December.

The C3 store, as it was referred to, stood for Convenience to the Third Power. Aramark convenience stores across the nation had this designation.

Flowers and stuffed animals were replaced with microwavable meals and snacks, dairy products and cereals. Students even found garbage bags and cleaning supplies to spruce up their dorm rooms.

Although the C3 store did not offer as much variety as a common grocery store, many believed it benefited the average college student because of its convenient location on campus.

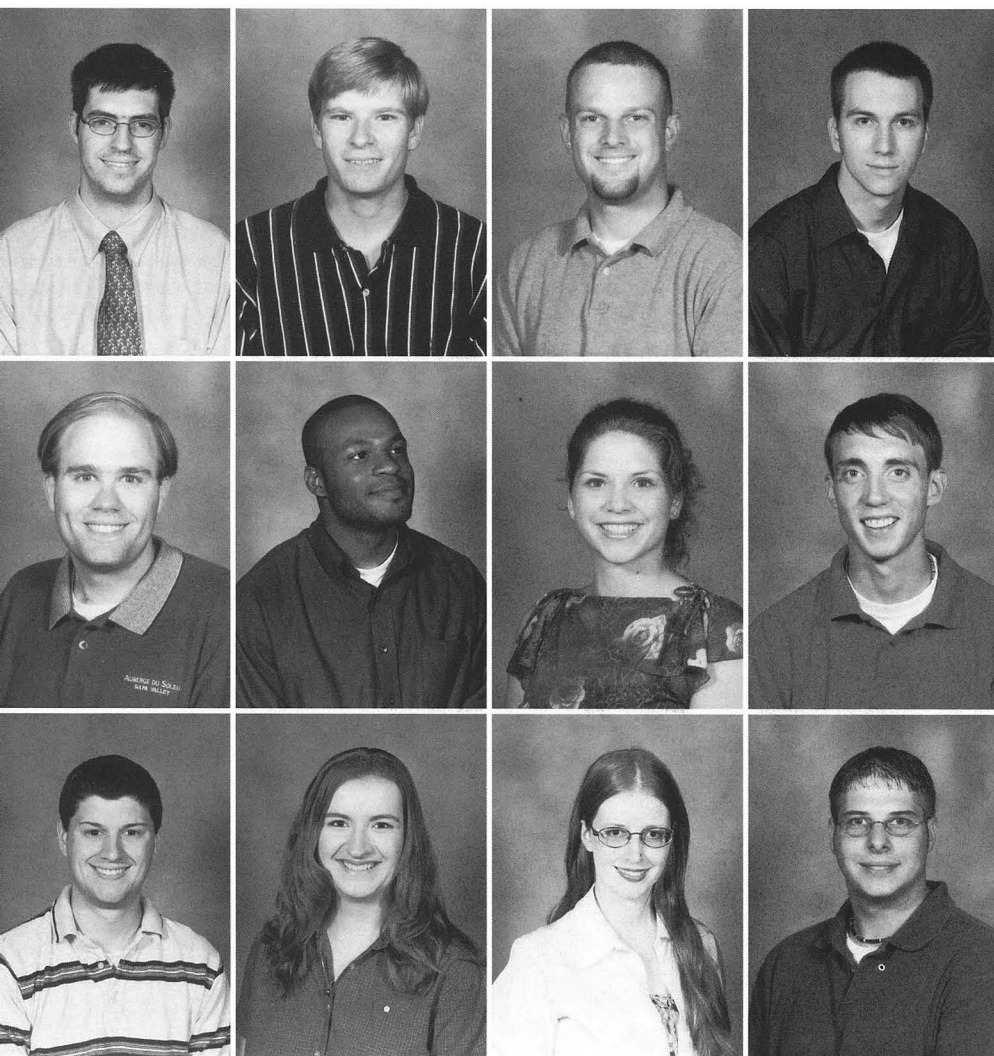
"We have a decent selection for the size of the store and for the needs of college students," Manager Jay Pierce said. "I don't think the prices are overwhelming, especially since students can use the money already in their DCB [declining balance] accounts."

Workers noted an increase in student traffic during the store's first week of operation.

"There appears to be more business since the flower shop closed and this store opened," senior Ina Xhani said. "It's closer than Wal-Mart so it's easier for students without cars."

"Our spin on the name is that we're trying to take service to the next level for students," Jeremy Gillman, a store clerk, said. "We want to serve the best that we can."

The convenience store operated from 9:30 a.m.-10 p.m. Monday through Friday and from noon-10 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)



Richard Dillon—Florence, Ala. Accounting/Management.

Daniel Dolfie—Pensacola Beach, Fla. Missions. Alpha Chi Malachi. Circle K. Delta Chi Delta.

Brian Dolinger—Yucaipa, Calif. Middle Level Math and Sciences. Belles and Beaux. Club Beau. Dean's List. Kappa Delta Pi. SALT. King's Men.

Michael Dominski—Searcy, Ark. Computer Information Systems. TNT.

James Patrick Dorriety—Katy, Texas. Economics. Honors Association. Club Beau. Dean's List. Circle K. Alpha Tau Epsilon.

Jimmie Douglass III—Searcy, Ark. Health Care Management. ACHE. Club Beau (Shantih). Theatron. Youth Corps. Titans.

Marti Downey—Bellingham, Wash. Public Administration. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Dean's List. Class Officer. Club Queen. Shantih.

Wesley Dozier—Nashville, Tenn. Professional Sales. Pi Sigma Alpha. International Studies (HUF). American Marketing Society. Dean's List. College Republicans. Pi Kappa Epsilon.

Philip Draper—Tupelo, Miss. Bible. Campaigns (England).

Irene Drobyshevsky—Minsk, Belarus. Nursing.

Karen Dunham—Seattle, Wash. Early Childhood Licensure. Campus Civitan. Alpha Chi. Kappa Delta Pi. Phi Eta Sigma. Council for Exceptional Children. OEGE.

Stephen Dunkle—Troy, Ill. Management. American Marketing Association. Pi Kappa Epsilon.



'trading spaces' inspires students to decorate

Many students became interested in decorating with the airing of The Learning Channel's popular television show, "Trading Spaces."

In its third season, "Trading Spaces" featured interior designers who helped sets of friends redecorate each others' homes.

The show continued to gain popularity on campus and propelled students to consider what they could do to improve their dorm room decorations.

"The people [on the show] are so fun and creative," senior Rebecca Murray said. "It's amazing to watch the transformation."

Murray and her suitemates in Searcy Hall enjoyed the show so much, they challenged each other to redo the bedrooms in their suite.

Murray and senior Laini Mayberry, junior Bryn Mayberry and sophomore Carly Dyas were watching "Trading Spaces" one day when they decided to redecorate each others' rooms.

They put their names in a hat and each girl drew a name for the room they would redo.

"It was early in the semester so we hadn't done a lot to the apartment," Laini Mayberry said. "We decided on a budget of \$15 and shopped all week long."

The girls were pleased with how their rooms turned out.

"I loved it," Laini Mayberry said. "My sister drew my name. She found a bookshelf and hung a canopy over my bed."

Limitations of budget encouraged the girls to be creative.

"We did goofy artwork like the show and enlarged pictures," Murray said. "I loved my room. The girl who did my room went to a thrift store and refurbished tables. She found blue lights and hung them around my curtains."

Other students enjoyed the television show because it gave them creative ideas for redecorating their own rooms.

"I like to get different ideas from the show," sophomore Sara Van Winkle said. "I learn tips on how to redecorate a house for not a lot of money."

"I don't have a lot of money, but I can do some of the things [I see on the show] with the money I do have. I would watch it every day if I had cable."

Students also learned tips about how to make their own decorations or add flair to pieces they already owned.

"I enjoy the show because of its unique approach to design," junior Jessica Swindle said. "I learned how to make pillows and add my own touches."

"I have learned how to arrange things on shelves and arrange furniture. The girl carpenter is cool."

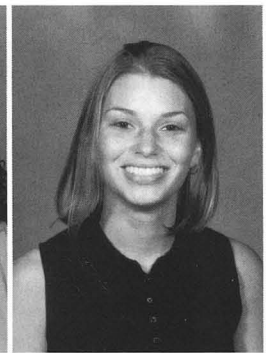
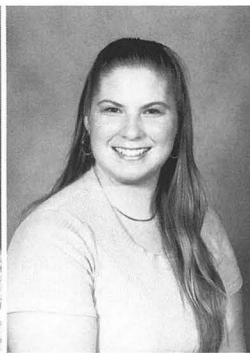
"Trading Spaces" spurred students to discover the interior designer inside and provided a way for them to learn new techniques to improve the places where they lived, even with a small budget.

—Marina Shannon

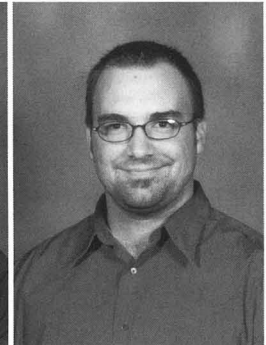
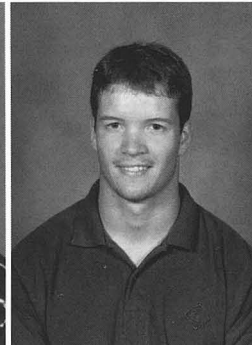
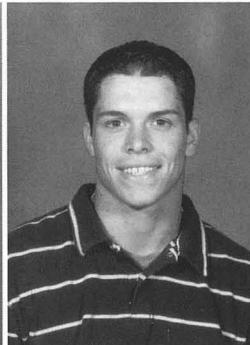
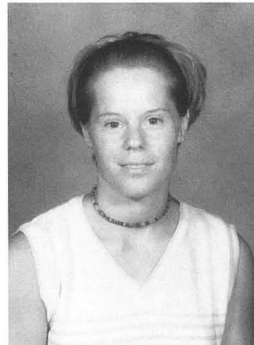


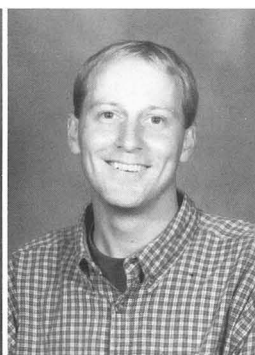
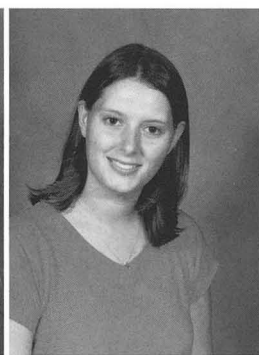
Juniors Tiffany Freeze and Lyndsey Lewis discover creative ways to decorate their apartment in Pryor Hall. Dormitory rooms transformed into creatively designed living areas as students gained valuable decorating ideas from the television show "Trading Spaces." (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

Brad Dunlap—Pt. Neches, Texas. Management. Campaigns (Alaska, Oregon). Delta Chi Delta.
Kimberly Dunlap—Pt. Neches, Texas. Management. Transfer (Lamar University). Campaigns (Oregon).
Jennifer Dupriest—Van Buren, Ark. Psychology.
Kerri Dutile—Plymouth, N.H. Public Relations. Transfer (Boston University). Homecoming Royalty. Dean's List. Zeta Rho.



Marci Dutile—Plymouth, N.H. Art. Delta Gamma Rho.
Nathan Dutile—Plymouth, N.H. Accounting. Dean's List. Intercollegiate Athletics (Football). Accounting Society. TNT.
Shaun Dutile—Plymouth, N.H. Management/Vocational Ministry. TNT.
Joshua Eacret—Pontiac, Ill. Graphic Design. International Studies (HUG). College Republicans.



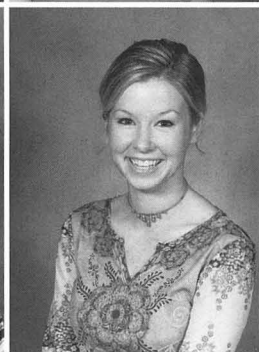
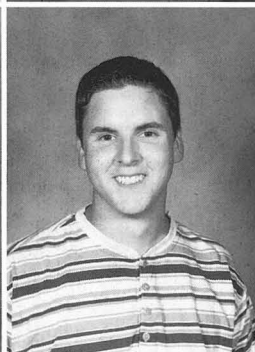


Leah Eddy—Chillicothe, Mo. Exercise Science. Dean's List. Exercise Science Club. International Studies (HUG). Divine Property. Omega Lambda Chi.

Amy Elliott—Searcy, Ark. Family and Consumer Sciences Licensure. International Studies (HUG). Alpha Chi. Intercollegiate Athletics (Cross Country/Track). FCS. SNEA. Ko Jo Kai.

Hannah Elliott—Springfield, Mo. Child and Family Sciences. Regina.

Brett Emerson—Northcoast, Mich. Middle Level English/Language Arts/Social Sciences. Campaigns (California, Massachusetts). International Studies (HUF). Dean's List. SALT. Computer Science Club. Knights.

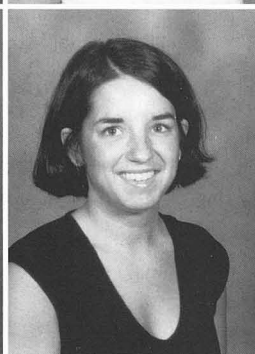
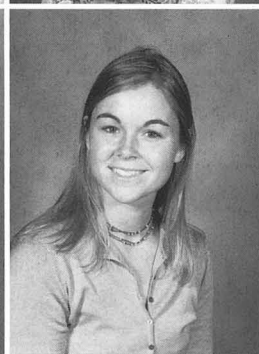
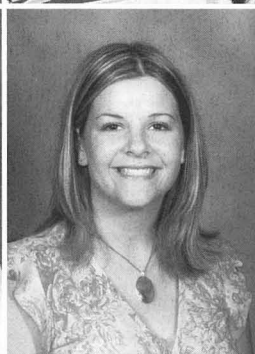
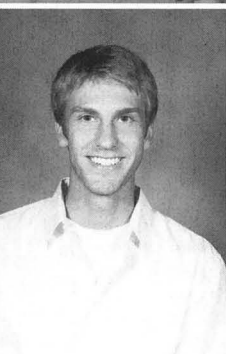


Amanda Emmersen—Mesa, Ariz. Social Science. Transfer (Fresno City College). Club Queen (Knights). Student Impact. Campaigns (Washington). College Republicans. Ju Go Ju.

John Epps—Bridge City, Texas. Electronic Media. Dean's List. Student Movie Committee. KHCA Staff. TV 16.

Jamie Erickson—Alpharetta, Ga. Advertising. Shantih.

Ingrid Esparza—Dalton, Ga. Psychology. Transfer (Dalton State College). Campaigns (Bolivia, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Peru). JOY.

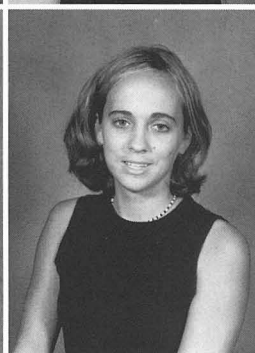
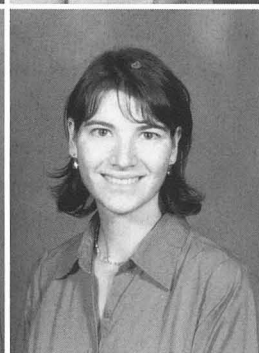
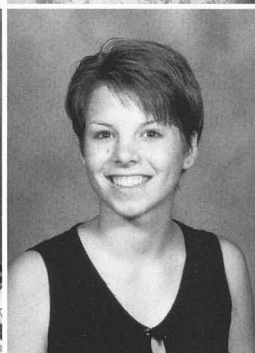


Nicholas Evans—Salisbury, Md. Biology. Dean's List. Campaigns (Oregon).

Jaime Fahs—St. Louis, Mo. Public Relations. College Republicans. Resident Assistant. TV 16. RTNDA. National Broadcasting Society. Shantih.

Courtney Fant—Searcy, Ark. Communication Management. International Studies (HUF). Club Queen. Bison Staff. American Marketing Society. College Republicans. Ko Jo Kai.

Suzanne Fecteau—Conway, N.H. Marketing. American Marketing Association. Intramurals. Ju Go Ju.

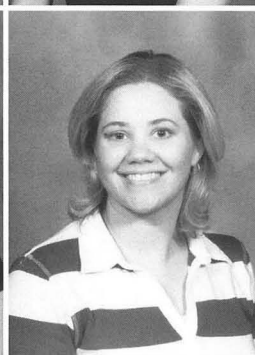
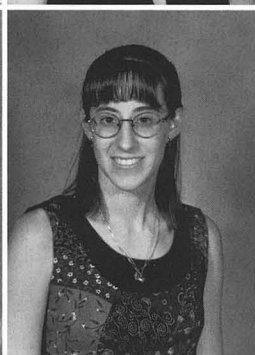
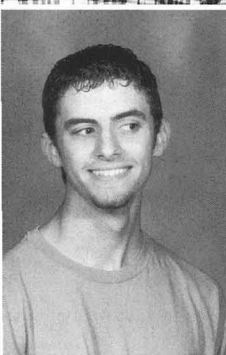


Micheal Felker—Mesquite, Texas. Youth and Family Ministry. Chi Sigma Alpha.

Sandra Felker—Springfield, Va. Art Licensure. Regina.

Jennifer Fessler—Moline, Ill. Human Resources. Band. University Chorus.

Trisha Field—Waynesboro, Va. Psychology. Psi Chi. Fisher's Men. Delta Gamma Rho.

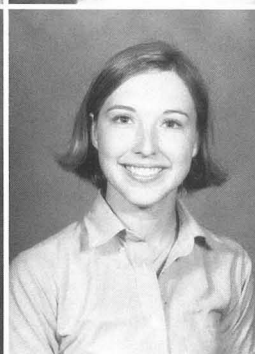
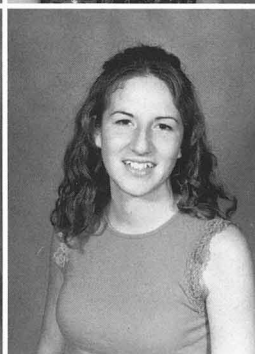
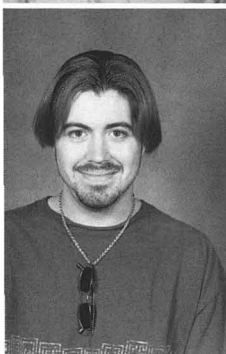


Bradley Fitzgerald—APO, AE. Graphic Design. Delta Chi Delta.

Brianne Fitzpatrick—Asheville, N.C. Psychology. Psi Chi. Circle K. Dean's List.

Emily Foster—Sand Springs, Okla. Biology. Campaigns. Student Impact. Resident Assistant. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

Erin Foster—Carthage, Texas. Early Childhood Licensure.



Wyle Fox—McCaskill, Ark. Information Technology. Resident Assistant.

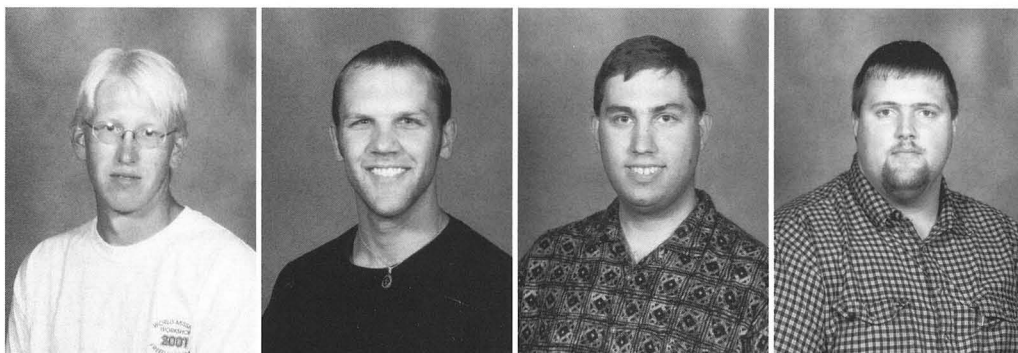
Anna Frank—Labadie, Mo. Interior Design-Art. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

Kristy Frazier—Jacksonville, Ark. Marketing. Campaigns (Kentucky). College Republicans. Student Alumni Association. Pi Sigma Epsilon. Shantih.

Leslie Freeman—Percy, Ark. Human Resources. College Republicans. Dean's List. SHRM. Delta Gamma Rho.



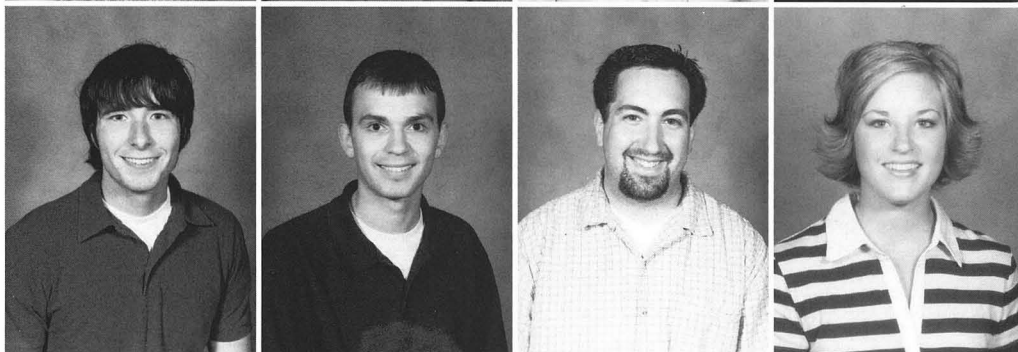
Anthony French—Searcy, Ark. Undeclared. Alpha Tau Epsilon.
Travis Fry—Round Rock, Texas. Youth and Family Ministry. Campaigns (Africa, Australia). International Studies (HUA).
Kevin Fuge—San Jose, Calif. Music. Band. Concert Choir. Campaigns. Film Studies. Alpha Tau Epsilon.
Jonathan Fuller—Ashdown, Ark. General Studies. Campaigns (Haiti). College Republicans. Resident Assistant. Tentmakers. Omega Sigma.



Krisi Gable—Little Rock, Ark. Communication Disorders-Public School. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Student Speech and Hearing Association. Honors Association. Phi Eta Sigma. Tri Kappa.
Maria Galan—Guatemala, Guatemala. Marketing. Dean's List. American Marketing Association. International Student Society.
Lizeth Galdamez—Crossett, Ark. Management.
Justin Gambill—Memphis, Tenn. Marketing. American Marketing Association. International Studies (HUF). Club Beau (Ko Jo Kai). Titans.



Landon Garner—Rogers, Ark. Management. Pi Kappa Epsilon.
Samuel Garner—Brandon, Miss. Preaching. Alpha Chi Malachi. Campaigns (Texas). International Studies (HUG). Resident Assistant. Dean's List. Chi Sigma Alpha.
Philip Garton—Knoxville, Tenn. Information Technology. Youth Corps.
Rebekah Gates—Little Rock, Ark. Nursing. Good News Singers. Nursing Student Association. Ko Jo Kai.



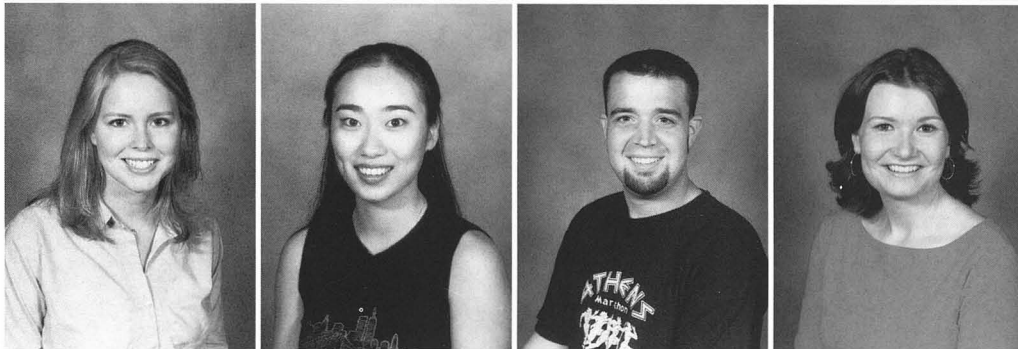
Jonathan Gerst—Tabernacle, N.J. Biology. Health Science Club. Devita. International Studies (HUF). TNT.
Aubri Geurin—Magnolia, Ark. Accounting. Omicron Delta Kappa. Alpha Chi. Accounting Society. Honors Association. American Studies. Tri Kappa.
Stephanie Giesemann—Lilburn, Ga. Nursing. Alpha Chi. Campaigns (Africa, Latin America). HSNA. Nursing Student Association. Delta Gamma Rho.
Lauren Gilbert—Collierville, Tenn. Chemistry. Gedanken Society. Club Queen (Kappa Sigma Kappa). Dean's List. Health Science Club. Circle K. Ko Jo Kai.



Ginger Gilmore—Little Rock, Ark. Nursing. Transfer (Pensacola Christian College). HSNA. Nursing Student Association.
Tracy Glenn—Fisher, Ark. Criminal Justice. Club Queen. International Studies (HUA). Health Science Club. Premed Club. GATA.
Natasha Godknecht—Shamong, N.J. Accounting. Delta Gamma Rho.
Todd Goen—Green Forest, Ark. Computer Science. Honors Association. Omicron Delta Kappa. American Studies. Campaigns (Switzerland). Computer Science Club. Sigma Tau Sigma.



Heather Golightly—Amarillo, Texas. Early Childhood Licensure. Campaigns (Germany, Togo). Dean's List. International Studies (HUF). Kappa Delta Pi. SALT. Delta Gamma Rho.
Tongtong Gong—Beijing, China. Computer Science. Alpha Chi. Dean's List. American Studies. Phi Eta Sigma. Computer Science Club.
Gregory Goodale—Springfield, Mo. Marketing. American Marketing Association. Club Beau. International Studies (HUF). Pi Sigma Epsilon. SAC. TNT.
Charlotte Graham—Pocahontas, Ark. Biology. Campaigns (Pennsylvania). Health Science Club. Devita. JOY. Ju Go Ju.



seniors

give advice to underclassmen

Seniority rules and it is good to be king. As I sit here, perched high above the rest of the student body looking down on the scrubs, I know that I rule. This roost is mine; I bought it with my blood, sweat and tears. I gnashed and gnarled my way to the tippy-top of this ladder.

Don't tread on me underclassmen, gather and listen to my pedagogy.

You want to know why you are always tired? You stay up until 4 a.m. playing video games. No one feels sorry for you, get over yourself.

Cutting into the cafeteria line hurts everyone. Integrity, not cornbread, should be your goal.

You know that you need a pencil if you are taking a midterm test. Just bring one. What on Earth are you doing at an institute of higher learning if you don't understand this after the first week?

Don't you ever leave your tray at your table. You are lazy and you are inconsiderate if you do. No one has ever gotten a date by doing this so don't. You are not above the cafeteria workers, they are above you. Change those ridiculous pajama pants. You aren't fooling anyone, we all know you took a shower and made your hair look messy. Don't try to look like you don't care.

Finally, do something nice for Searcy. These citizens could use a reason to suffer the influx of cars and attitudes students bring with them every semester.

It's nice to be in a position of authority. I will cling to it like bellybutton lint, because after graduation I start over at the bottom of the barrel of life. My earnings have come with a price, however. I've got paper cut scars and semi-crossed eyes from hours and hours of studying.



Senior Julia Leppert lounges in pajama pants. Seniors gave advice as they graduated. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

My back hurts from carrying tons of expensive books and syllabi. I've easily lost five years off my life because of missed sleep due to Mrs. Gowen's editing tests and Tony Hawks', second and third Pro Skaters.

I am a weary but rewarded traveler on this collegiate road. The real world beckons, and I must abdicate this throne.

—Jeremy D. Beauchamp



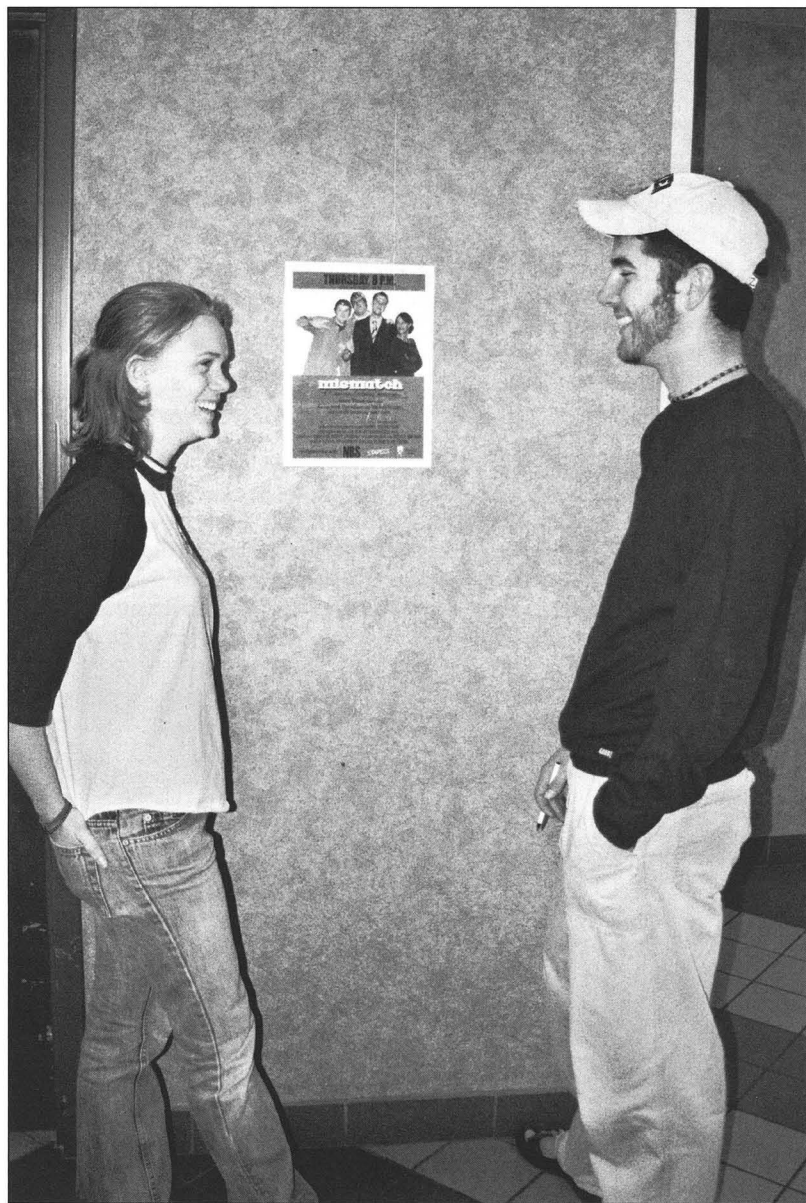
Elizabeth Grampp—Broomfield, Colo. Early Childhood Licensure.
Tanya Grasham—Tallmadge, Ohio. Social Work. Alpha Chi. Campaigns (Florida, Germany). Dean's List. International Studies (HUG). JOY. Regina.
Elizabeth Green—Nashville, Tenn. Graphic Design. Circle K. Club Queen (Omega Sigma). College Republicans. Student Impact. Ju Go Ju.
Jacob Gregson—Ash Flatt, Ark. Missions.

Brandi Guthrey—Searcy, Ark. Biology. Devita. Dean's List. Health Science Club. Premed Club.
Paula Ham—Searcy, Ark. Social Work.
Sharon Hamilton—Little Rock, Ark. French. Dean's List. Phi Eta Sigma. Ju Go Ju.
Jason Hammett—Vincent, Ohio. Kinesiology. Chi Sigma Alpha.

Mindy Haney—Littleton, Colo. Nursing. HSNA. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
Adam Harrell—El Dorado, Ark. Biology. Alpha Chi. Campaigns (Venezuela). Devita. Dean's List. Honors Association.
Bryan Harrison—Smiths, Ala. Bible. Campaigns (Africa, Australia). International Studies (HUG). Dramatics. Student Impact (Committee). Alpha Chi Malachi. Chi Sigma Alpha.
Adam Hart—Arlington, Tenn. Management. College Republicans. Omega Sigma.

Lana Hartzog—Little Rock, Ark. Early Childhood/Special Education. Dean's List. Kappa Delta Pi. SALT. Student Impact. Campaigns (Hawaii). Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
Robert Hartzog—Peachtree City, Ga. Early Childhood Licensure. SALT. SAC. Kappa Delta Pi. International Studies (HUG). Campaigns (Jamaica).
Tiffany Haugh—Mannington, W.Va. Music. Good News Singers. University Chorus. Campaigns (Albania, Australia, Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, New Zealand). Collegiate Chapter of Music Educators. American Choral Directors.
John Hawkins—Texarkana, Texas. Oral Communication. Campaigns (Scotland). Intercollegiate Athletics (Tennis). Alpha Chi. Club Beau. Honors Association. Chi Sigma Alpha.





Anticipating the screening of "Mismatch," a film produced by junior Steve Thompson about dating relationships, sophomores Nicole Reese and Kris Kyle discuss the humor resulting from awkward dating situations. Thompson produced several movies as he aspired to write quality films for the big screen. (Photo by Russ Phillips)

filmmaker aspires to make quality movies

As Hollywood produced blockbuster movies, several students attempted to recreate the big screen action with student films. One of these students, junior Steve Thompson, aspired to become a great filmmaker.

Thompson, an amateur filmmaker from Indianapolis, came to Harding in the fall of 2000 on a journalism scholarship, but decided to follow a different path for his life. After seeing senior Joe Wells' movie, "Birthday," the first student movie shown on campus in the spring of 2001, Thompson decided to try writing his own movie script. The ideas for his movies came from looking at life from a different angle and enjoying the little things, he said.

Thompson began filming his first movie, "Mismatch," in early 2002. He wrote and produced the movie, which ran for 58 minutes. Thompson screened his movie on campus in September to receive student feedback. Thompson was shocked when 642 students came to the screening.

"I was hoping for 200 viewers and was blown away by the turnout to the screening," Thompson said. "After the screening, I knew this was what I wanted to do for the rest of my life."

"Mismatch," a movie about dating, concentrated on the little things that often occurred during college dating. The idea was based on a he said/she said column Thompson wrote for his high school newspaper. Thompson said the responses to the movie were mostly positive.

Thompson's "Mismatch" was so popular that he decided to film a sequel, "Mismatch 2." The project was scheduled to be released fall 2003. The first "Mismatch" dealt with the beginning aspect of dating, while "Mismatch 2" explored the world of first-year dating anniversaries and more in-depth relationships.

"I'm excited about the sequel and hopefully it will do as well as the first," Thompson said.

In addition to the "Mismatch" films, last summer Thompson also wrote, edited and acted in "Hope," a seven-minute silent movie which detailed a man's life after the death of a close friend.

"It has been an aspiration of mine to film a silent movie," Thompson said. "This summer I filmed 'Hope' in order to capture the essence of pure emotion without the help of words, just seeing the emotion."

Thompson also created his own film company, Wage War Films. The name of the company was based on II Corinthians 3. Senior Jimmy DeSisso was a partner in Wage War Films and did most of the technical work in the production company.

"I enjoy the behind the scenes atmosphere of making movies," DeSisso said. "It is a great experience."

Thompson hoped to find an internship in California and gain contacts for potential job opportunities after graduation. Thompson also said he hoped to keep writing movies with good messages.

—Heidi Walder

Ryan Hayes—N. Little Rock, Ark. Professional Sales. American Marketing Association. Pi Sigma Epsilon. Campaigns. Intramurals. Titans.

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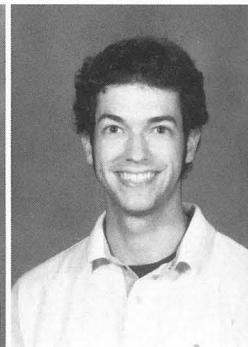
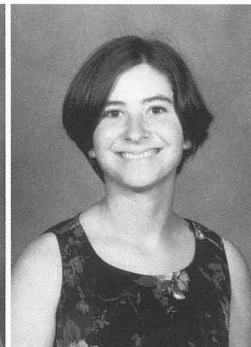
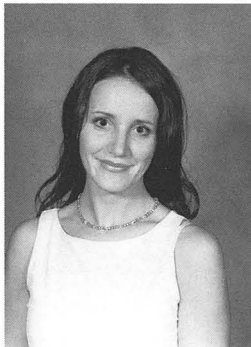
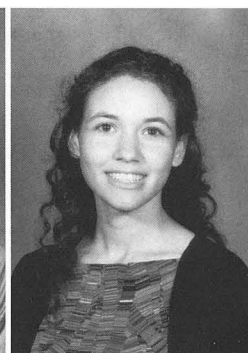
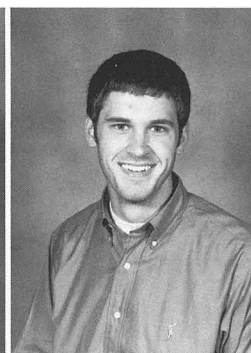
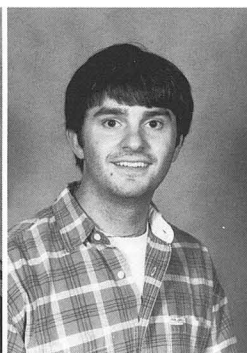
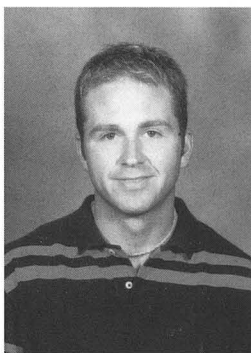
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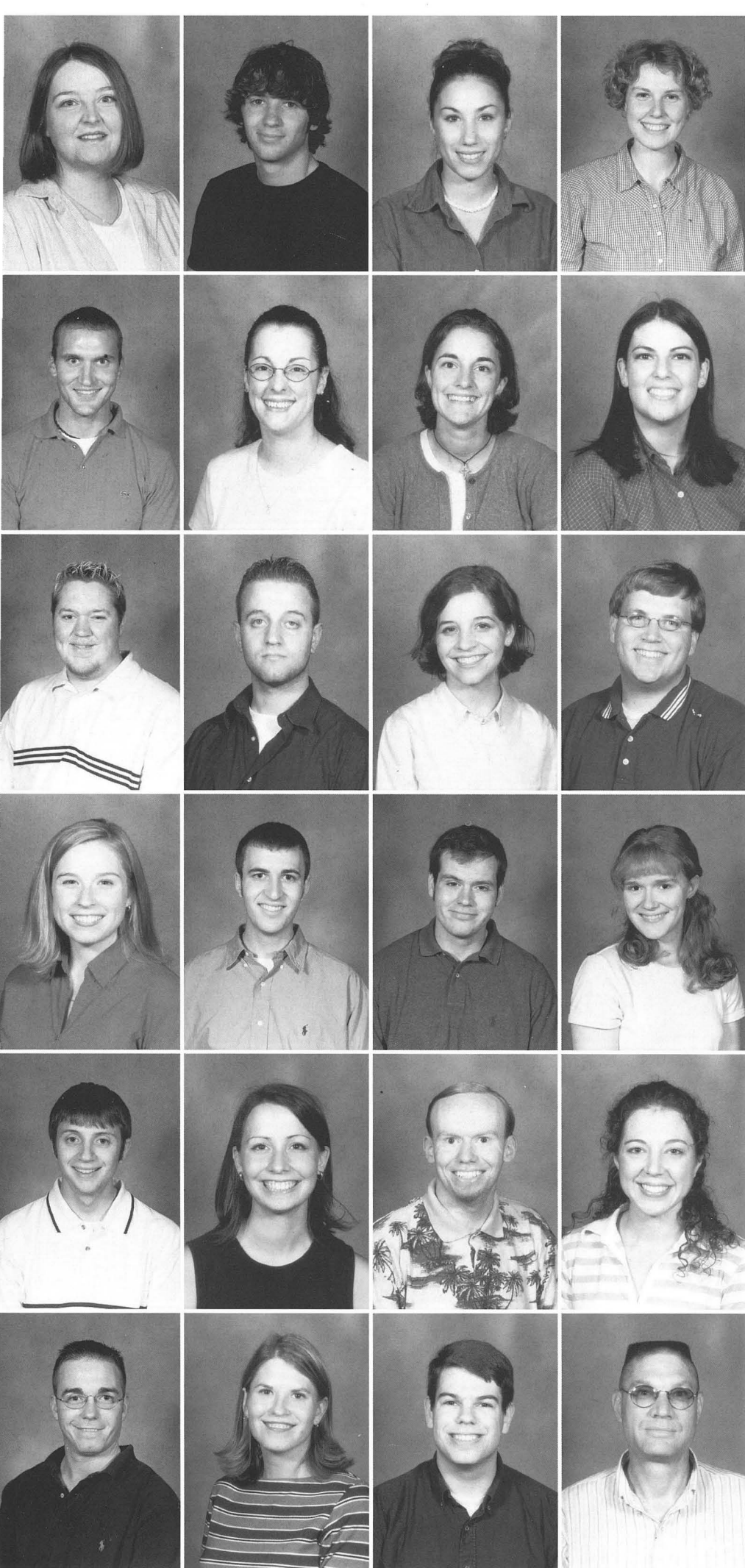
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Ashley Holcomb—Cordova, Tenn. Exercise Science. Chi Omega Pi.
Zachary Holcomb—Leedy, Okla. General Science-Chemistry. Alpha Tau Epsilon.
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Missy Holland—N. Little Rock, Ark. Nursing. Campaigns (Africa, Mexico). HSNA. Alpha Chi. Dactylogy. Dean's List. Tri Kappa.
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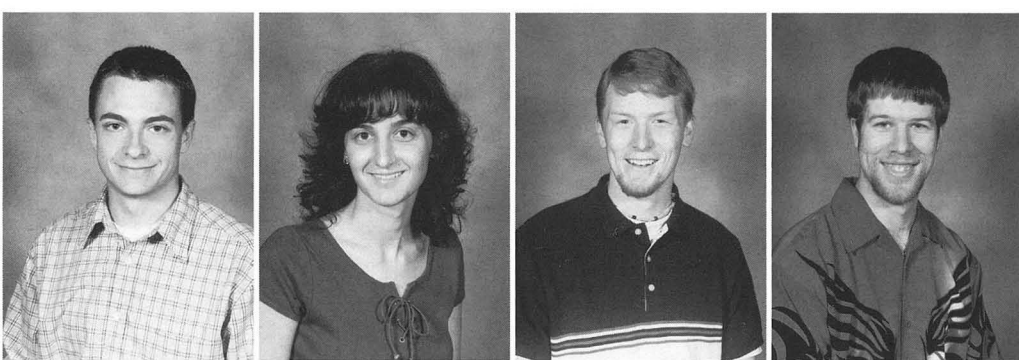


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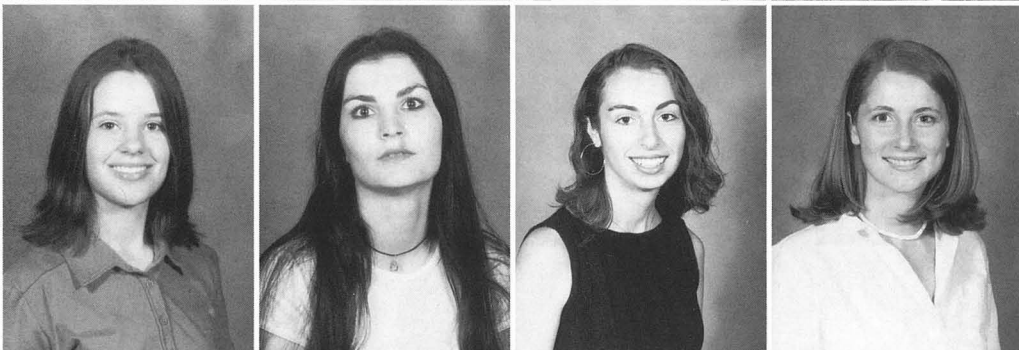


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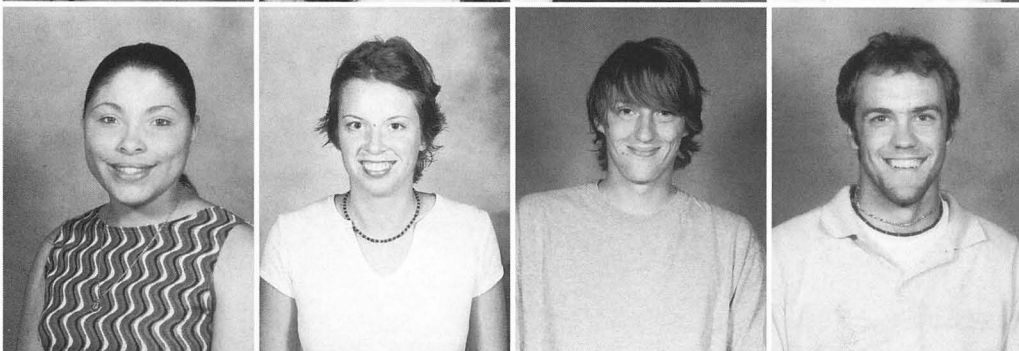


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Chrissy Ingram—Hurricane, W. Va. Print Journalism.

Luke Irvine—Richmond, Va. Computer Science. Band. Club Beau.
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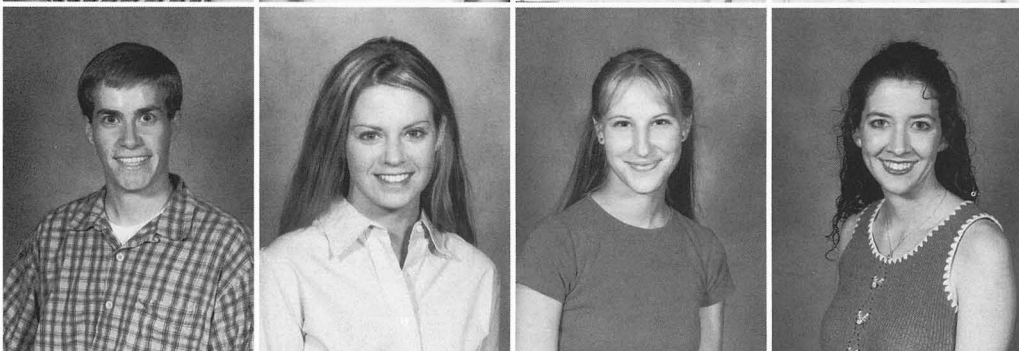


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Paula James—Bentonville, Ark. Graphic Design. International
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Becka Jameson—Vienna, W. Va. Advertising. Dean's List. Campaigns.
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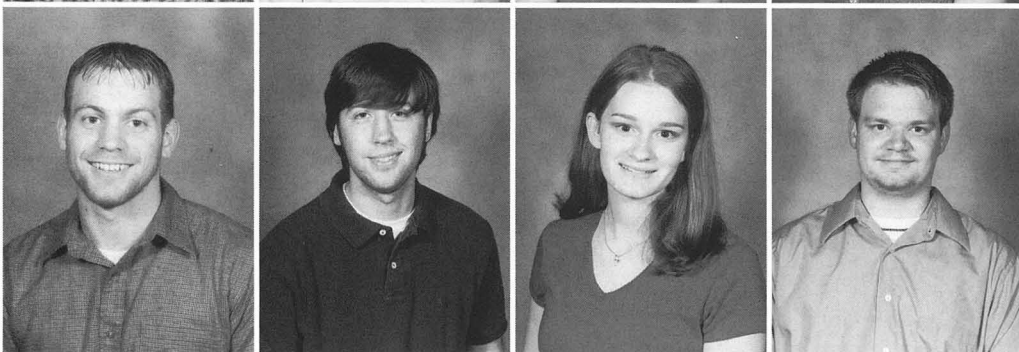


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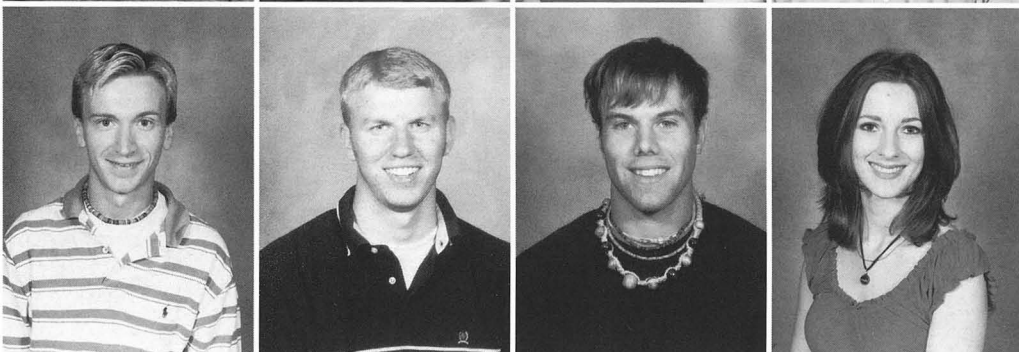


Bryant Johnson—Houston, Texas. Psychology. Good News Singers.
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Danny Johnson—New Brunswick, Canada. Math Licensure. Knights.

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American Society of Interior Design. Chi Omega Pi.





divine property male auction raises money for charity

Junior Andy Green smiles as senior Josh Davidson encourages the crowd to increase its bidding for Green at the Divine Property Man Auction Nov. 14 in the student center.

Divine Property, a women's service club, auctioned off its male friends and raised \$559 for Jovenes Y Camino, an orphanage for boys in Honduras.

Davidson and junior Shelly Roberts acted as the masters of ceremony for the event. One by one, guys were bought by girls making donations.

Guys who were auctioned off were asked to participate in the Student Association-sponsored Rake-and-Run Nov. 16 with the girls who donated money.

"I thought the charity was a great idea and I was glad to be a part of the night's festivities," Davidson said.

Junior Jimmie Douglass received the highest bid of the night, at \$82. Several members of Shantih combined to buy Douglass.

"The auction was a great way to meet new people and a fun way to raise money for the orphanage in Honduras," Douglass said. "I would definitely participate in the auction if they did it again."

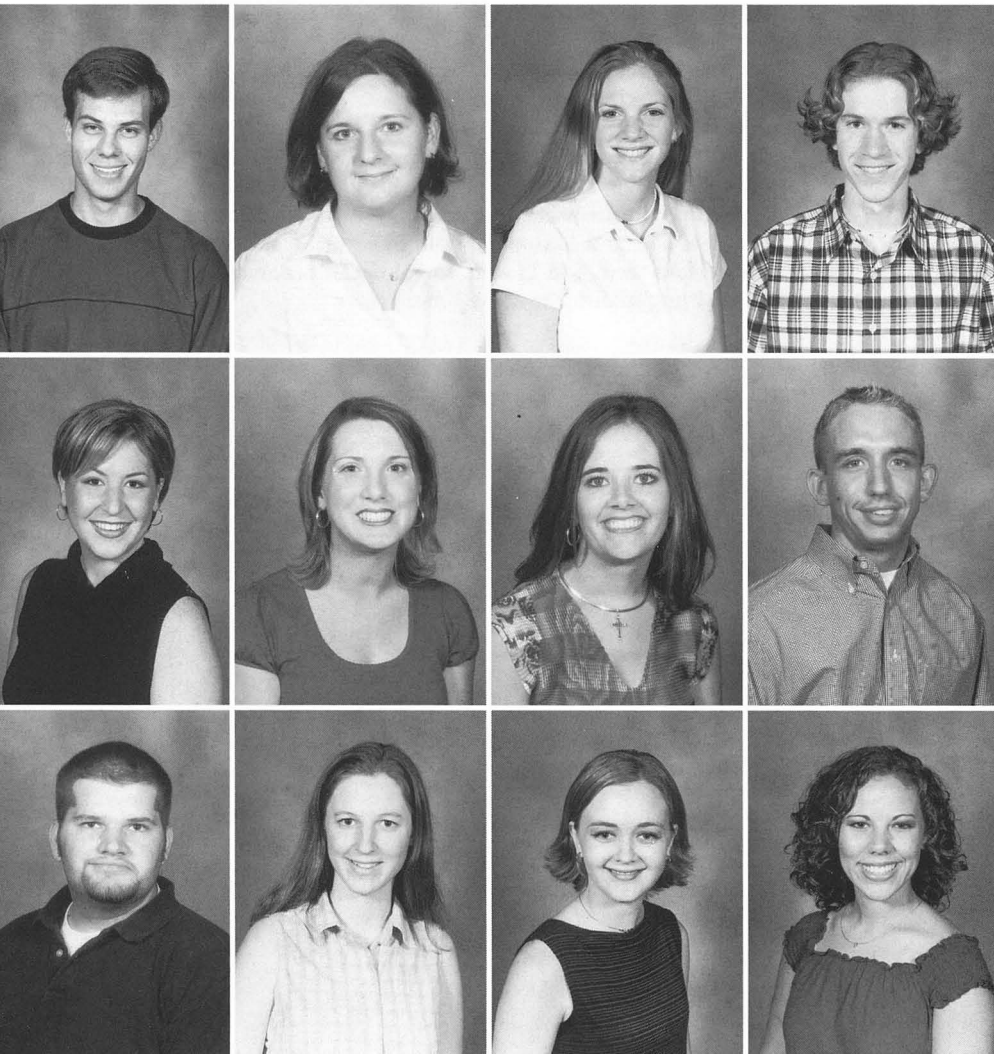
Divine Property, which began in 2001, desired to serve God and others.

"We want to serve God and worship Him in spirit and truth and take advantage of having all our Christian sisters together," junior Lisa Davis said.

The auction provided entertainment as well as a service opportunity for the girls.

"Our theme is thinking about ministries," Roberts said. "We're looking towards ministering throughout the world and the community in several diverse ways." (Photo by Lindsey Taliaferro)

—Jaime Fahs



Tyrel Johnson—Salem, Ill. Kinesiology. Transfer (Kaskaskia College).

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Samuel Jones—Duncanville, Texas. Interactive Media. Campus Players. Alpha Psi Omega/ETA Omega. American Studies. Fisher's Men. Concert Choir.

Jennifer Jordan—Mesquite, Texas. Fashion and Interior Merchandising. Concert Choir. FCS. Student Impact. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

Brandy Keesling—Anderson, Ind. Management. Divine Property.

Jenny Keith—Magnolia, Ark. Early Childhood Education. SALT.

Korey Keith—Magnolia, Ark. Accounting. Pi Kappa Epsilon.

Joshua Kellar—Searcy, Ark. Preaching. Alpha Chi Malachi.

Krista Kellar—Austin, Texas. Nursing. Nursing Student Association. Sociology Club. Campaigns (Mexico, Venezuela). Dean's List. Tri Kappa

Lisa Kelly—Searcy, Ark. Management. Regina.

Rebecca Kelly—Bellefonte, Ill. Vocal Music Education. Concert Choir. American Choral Directors. Resident Assistant. C-MENC. International Studies (HUG). Kappa Gamma Epsilon.



cafeteria fire

blazes from an arson attack



After inhaling smoke from the Nov. 20 cafeteria fire, full-time Searcy firefighter Josh Oakes receives oxygen to clear his lungs. More than 25 Searcy firefighters tamed the blaze that caused more than \$900,000 in damage to the second floor of the American Heritage building. (Photo by Lindsey Taliaferro)

Students flocked to the American Heritage building around curfew Nov. 20 as a fire on the second floor of the cafeteria caused more than \$900,000 in damage.

Freshman Jennifer DiMarzio, who saw the blaze from campus, was surprised at the amount of damage.

"I just couldn't believe that it did \$900,000 worth of damage," DiMarzio said. "It's incomprehensible."

A 16-year-old Searcy boy, who police arrested Dec. 14 for unrelated charges, confessed to starting the blaze and plead guilty in a court hearing Dec. 20. According to a statement President David Burks released Dec. 20, the teen was to remain in the custody of the Division of Youth Service until he turned 18.

"We were shocked to discover it was arson," David Crouch, director of public relations, said. "We're saddened that anyone would do such a thing. Fortunately, there were no injuries."

Sources said the teenager walked into the building after checking several locked doors. He then made his way up to the northwest corner of the second floor and started the fire in a storage room, which contained flammable objects.

After noticing smoke, a student alerted authorities at 11 p.m. Within minutes, 25 Searcy firefighters arrived on the scene. They worked for more than two hours to tame the blaze. After the fire was extinguished, ServiceMaster and Aramark employees worked from 4 to 11 a.m. to get the building in order to serve lunch.

Burks believed the efforts of everyone involved helped reduce the impact of the fire.

"The firemen risking their lives to put the fire out quickly, the students praying at the scene, the cooperation of the cleanup efforts—it was all something to behold," Burks said.

The second floor of the American Heritage building housed several banquet facilities utilized by Aramark's catering services. Although previously scheduled events were relocated around campus, business was markedly slow following the blaze, Steve Ritter, Aramark's director of food services, said.

"Numbers are down, but it's hard to quantify because we can't account for those who didn't pick up the phone," Ritter said, referring to customers who assumed the catering business halted after the fire.

Crews completed renovations to the second floor of the American Heritage building late spring.

Many photos and paintings from Harding's history were destroyed. Important artifacts that were spared included the original Harding flag and a portrait of James A. Harding.

"Items spared will be restored after cleaning," Terrie Smith, Aramark catering director, said.

Despite the extensive damage, Burks said his main concern during the fire was not the building.

"It's just scary," Burks said. "Your number one concern is if anyone is hurt. There are some things that you can't replace."

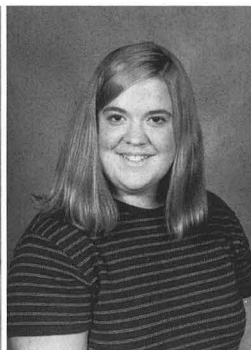
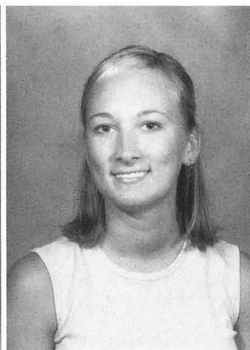
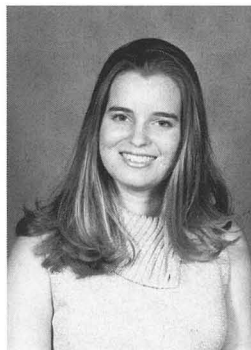
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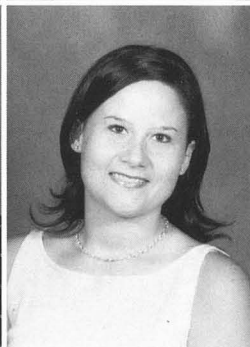
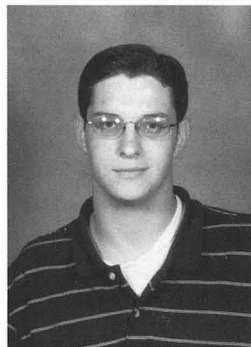


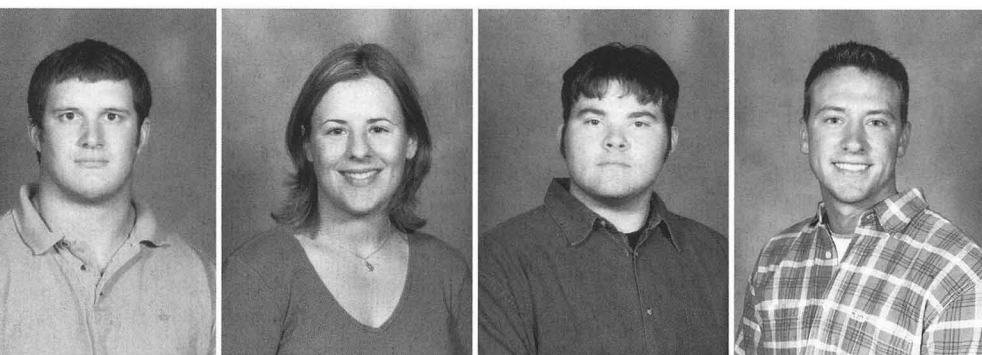
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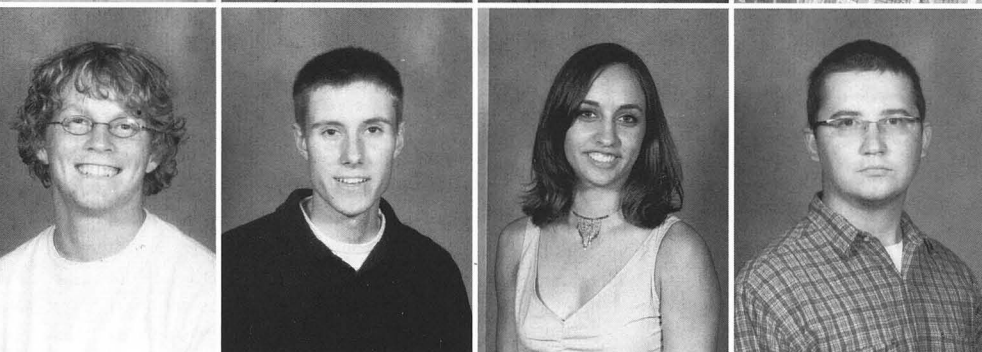
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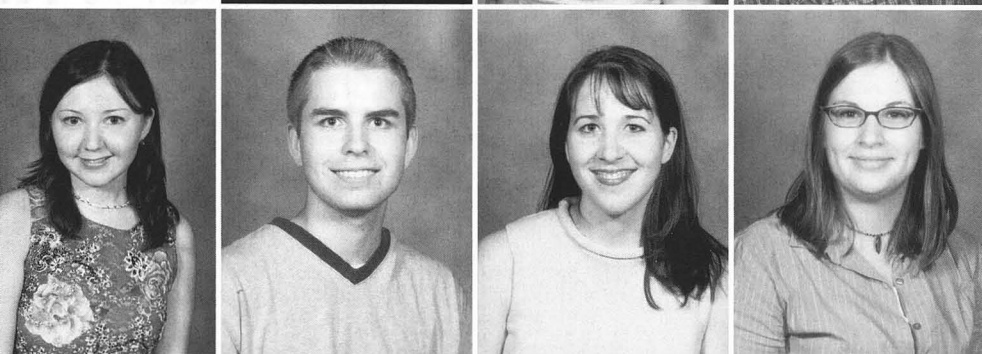




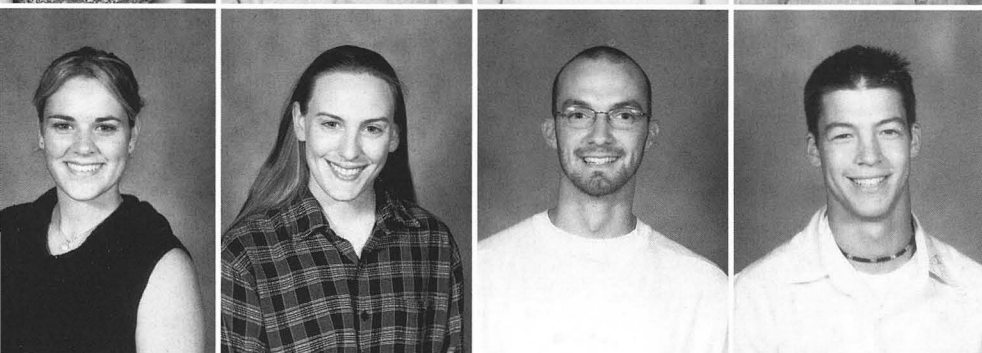
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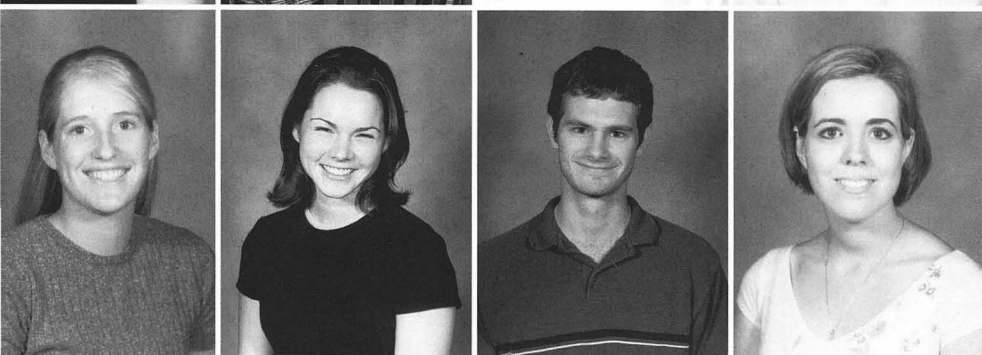
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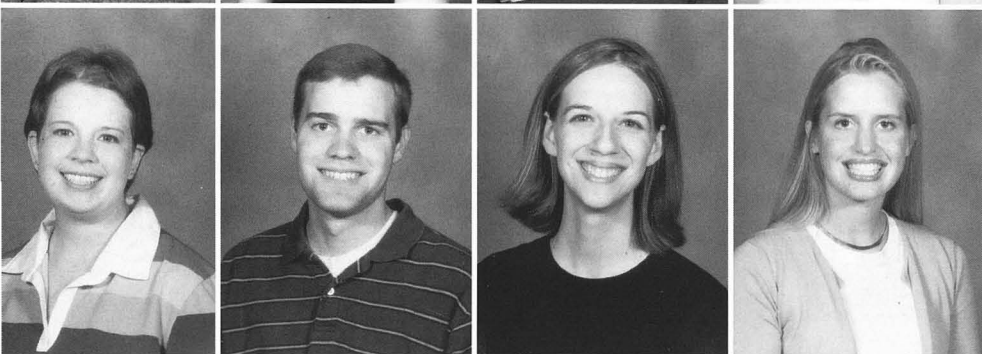
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Alaina Krucek—Tinley Park, Ill. Early Childhood Education. Dean's List. Kappa Delta Pi. SALT.
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Miranda LaBrecque—Lathrop, Calif. Theater.
Stephen Lamb—Nashville, Tenn. Bible.
Zac Lambrecht—Brandon, Fla. Bible. SA Officer. Youth Corps. Alpha Chi Malachi. Circle K. College Republicans. Kappa Sigma Kappa.



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Lindsay Leupold—Gig Harbor, Wash. Accounting. Omega Lambda Chi.



Jeanuth Lewis—Mobile, Ala. Social Work. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
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Kimberly Lewis—Madison, Tenn. Fisher's Men. International Studies (HUG). Dean's List. Psi Chi. Shantih.
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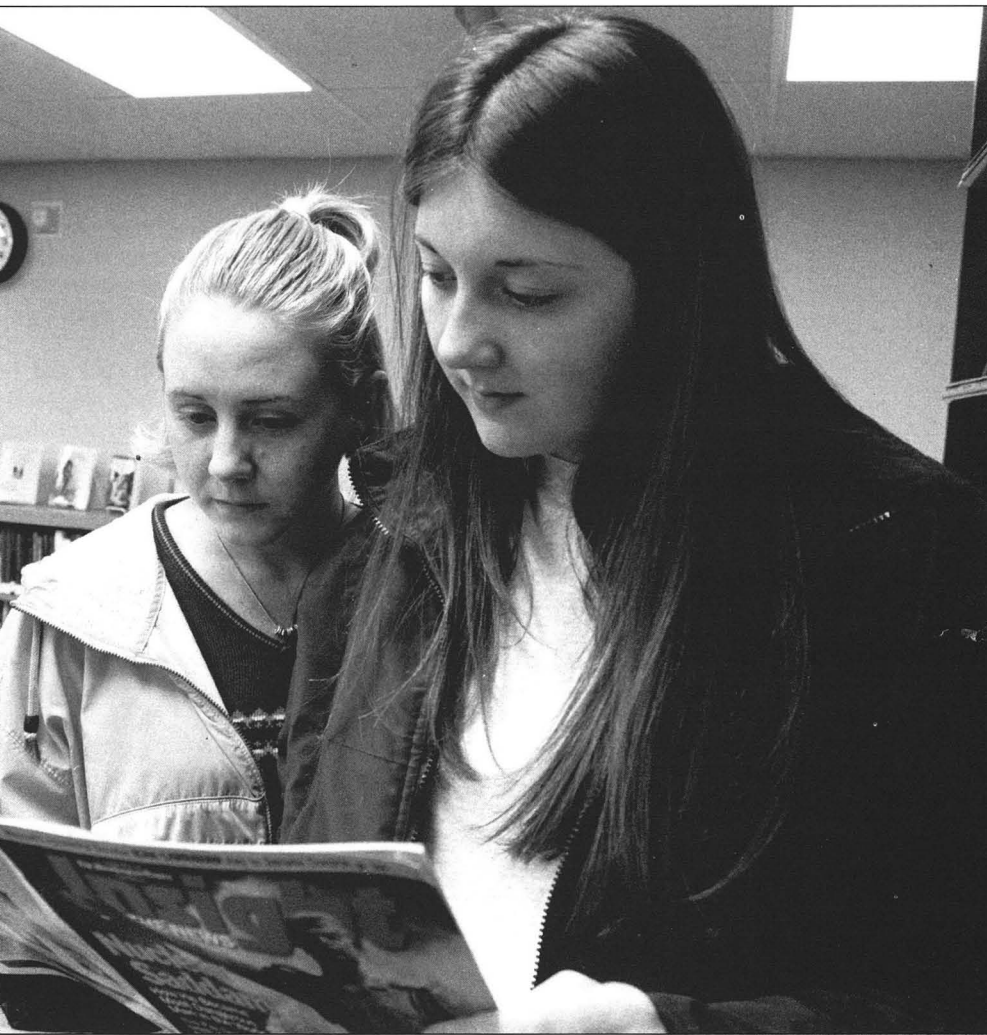
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library online catalog eases research process

Freshmen Erica Perkins and Megan Reynolds read an article they found using Quest, the Brackett Library's new online catalog. Quest gained the appreciation of several students because of its usefulness.

"Most people are very positive [about Quest]," Ann Dixon, library director, said. "They like the look and are more familiar with the searching because it is similar to Web searching."

Quest provided access to information not available within the walls of the library.

"Quest allows us to link to information out on the Internet through other databases," Dixon said.

Many students liked the new system because they believed it was easier to use.

"Quest is really easy to understand," graduate student Carl Williamson said. "You don't really need any help because it is similar to other search engines."

Although the new online resources made the Brackett Library more up to date and user friendly, librarians were still available to help students find the information they needed.

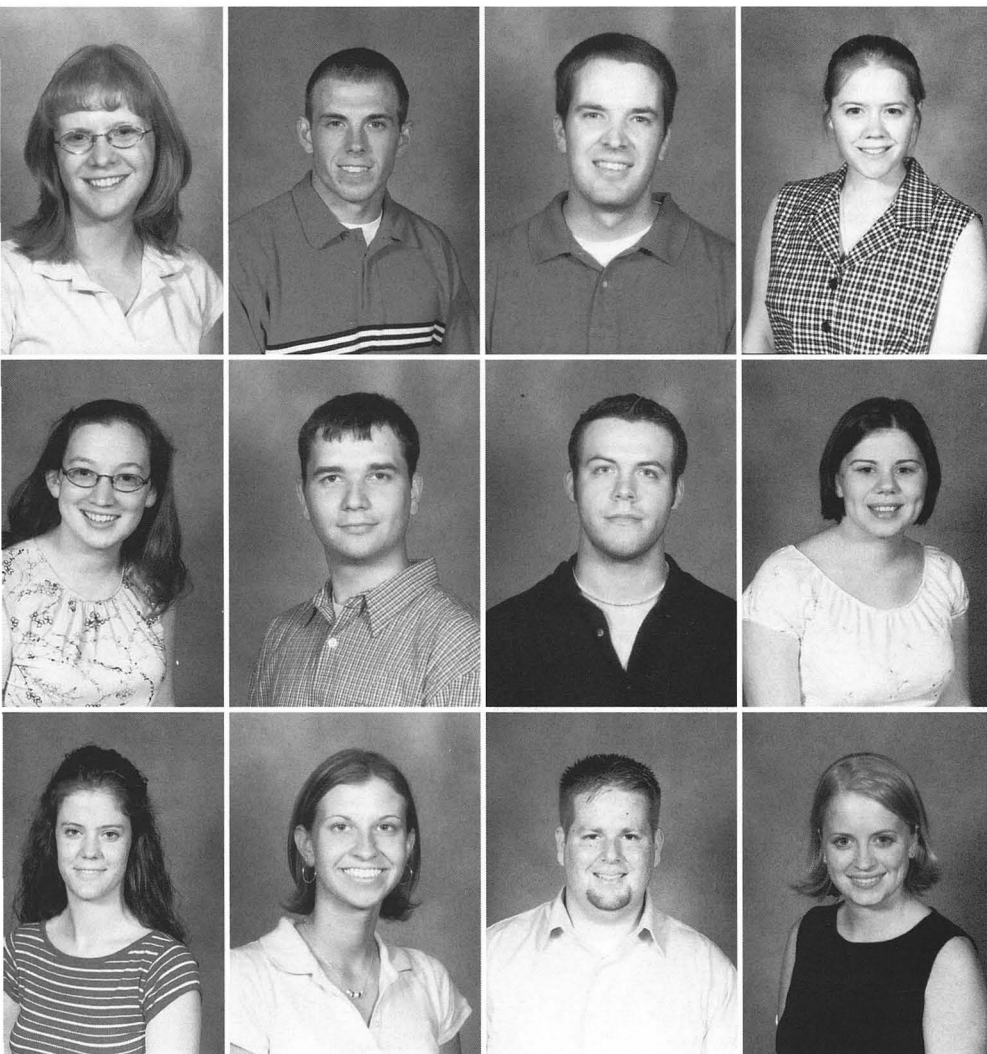
"The librarians are trained information professionals," Dixon said. "One of the roles of a librarian is to help students learn how to weed through information and find the most valuable [information]."

The new library catalog also offered other features.

"One of the nice things about it is the 'My Information' button," Dixon said. "By entering your Harding bar code number found on your student identification card, you can see a list of books that you have checked out, renew books online, see a record of any fines or fees, and if you have an interlibrary loan it will give you information on that."

Students appreciated the new online catalog as a valuable resource tool that helped keep the Brackett Library a storehouse of information. (Photo by Lindsey Taliaferro)

—Marina Shannon



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Dawn McCann—Iowa City, Iowa. English and French Licensure. Alpha Chi. Sigma Tau Delta. Scribblers. Kappa Delta Pi. American Studies.

Rachel McCauley—Eau Claire, Wis. English. Transfer (York College).

Markus McClellan—Conway, N.H. Computer Science. Transfer (Gordon College).

Steven McClendon—Gray, Ga. Psychology. TNT.

Jill McCormick—Lindale, Texas. General Science. Gedanken Society. SALT. Student Impact. Chi Omega Pi.

Kelley McCreary—Fresno, Calif. Athletic Training. Campaigns (Washington; Jamaica). Ju Go Ju.

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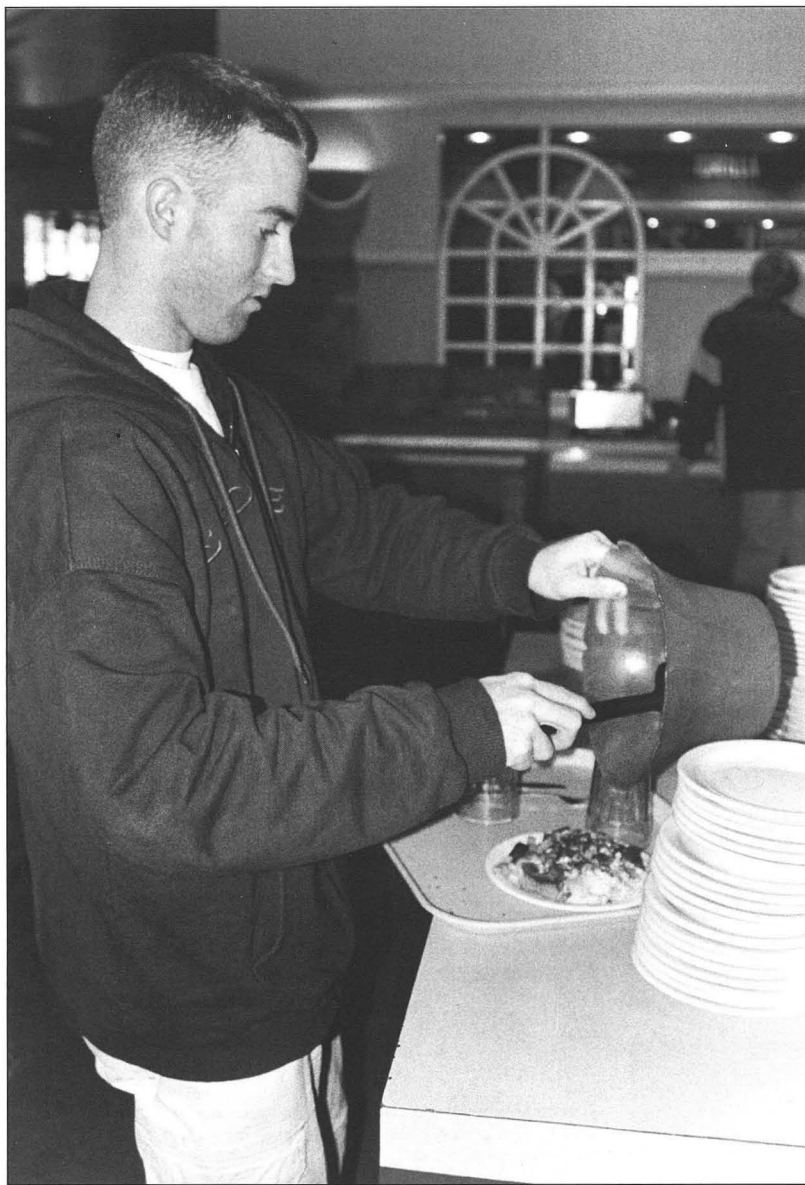
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Vegetarians

search for meatless meals



Topping off his appetizer, junior Jon Mellish adds croutons to his salad in the cafeteria. Although Mellish was not a vegetarian, many students who chose to not eat meat were pleased that the cafeteria, along with Burger King and Montague's Deli in the student center, offered meatless entrees to accommodate their eating habits. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

Vegetarianism has been identified with hippies, animal rights activists, teenagers and health nuts. However, in a health conscious society, the number of vegetarians, who avoided eating meat, and vegans, who avoided eating animal products, including dairy and eggs, seemed to increase, even on campus.

In the past year, students noticed Harding's efforts to accommodate the nutritional needs of vegetable lovers.

"I was excited to see the change in Searcy's food choices, especially here on campus," senior Lyz Nichols said.

Vegetarian students chose not to eat meat for several reasons.

"Originally I became a vegetarian because of a bet with my dad," junior Luke Fain said. "Then I stuck with it for health reasons. The cafeteria's not too bad. I usually get salad, cheese pizza or pasta and vegetables."

Senior Chrissy Ingram quit eating meat because she believed the slaughter of animals was insensitive.

"I started being a vegetarian to morally object to the killing of animals," Ingram said.

Whatever the reason for their dietary decisions, vegetarians all faced the same problem—finding meatless options in a meat-eating world.

In the past, the salad bar, pasta, and wok lines in the cafeteria were favorites for vegetarians.

However, recently, the pangea and wrap lines also provided meatless options. The student center provided further options with Burger King's veggie burger and the veggie sandwich and soup available at Montague's Deli.

Senior Kim Goff said she had little trouble finding vegetarian foods, even though she sometimes had to create her own meals from choices in the cafeteria.

"I chose to be a vegetarian for health reasons and [because of my] general dislike for the taste of meat," Goff said. "I made my meals in the cafeteria. I usually used the salad bar along with cheeses and bread for sandwiches and bagels."

Goff also said she had an easy time finding food options in restaurants around Searcy.

"All the restaurants have things on the menu that I can eat," Goff said. "There was [one or two times] when I've been [out to eat] and couldn't find anything since I've been a vegetarian."

Goff also utilized her kitchen in Pryor Hall. The apartment dorms on campus — Cone, Pryor, Searcy and Shores Halls — had kitchens which allowed students to prepare meals according to their own dietary preferences.

"I think it's helpful to have a kitchen because it's easier too cook for yourself and use the ingredients you want," Goff said. "At the cafeteria you have limited stuff to work with."

—Heidi Walden

Carrie McMillen—Garland, Texas. Music Licensure. Concert Choir. Band. American Choral Directors. C-MENC. International Studies (HUF).

Eric McMullen—Longview, Texas. History.

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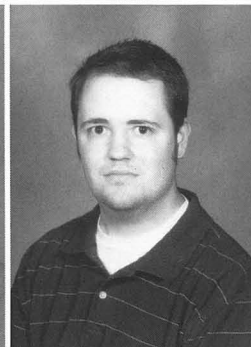
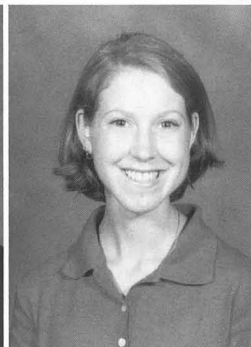
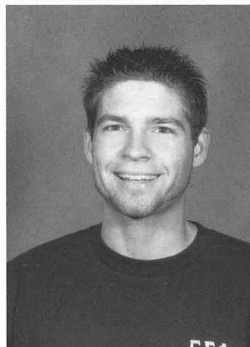
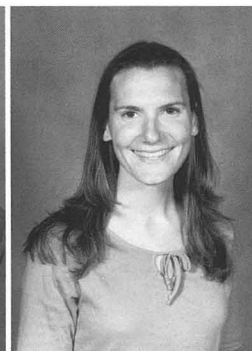
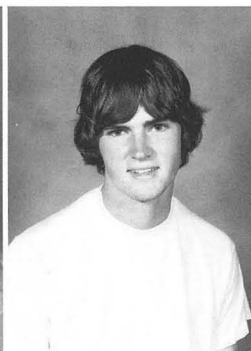
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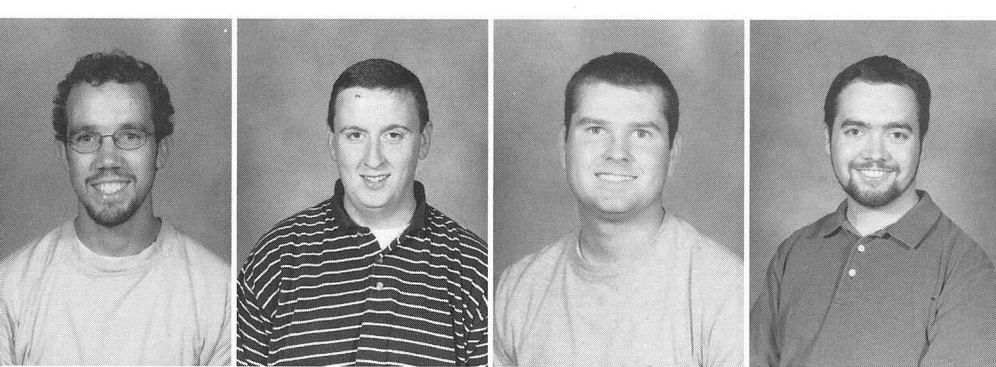
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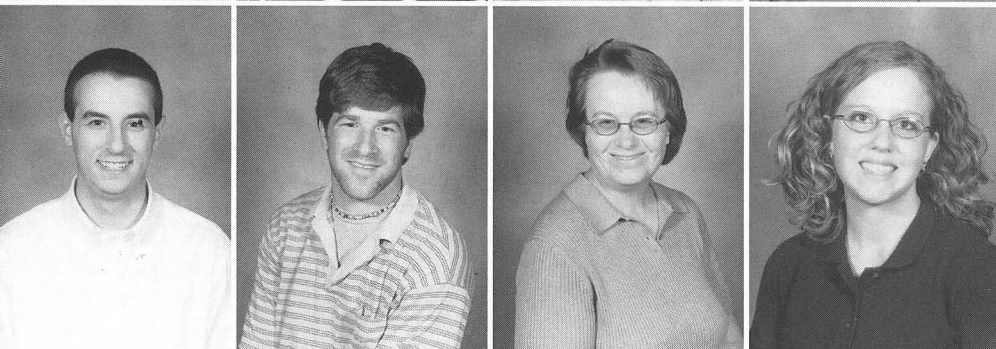
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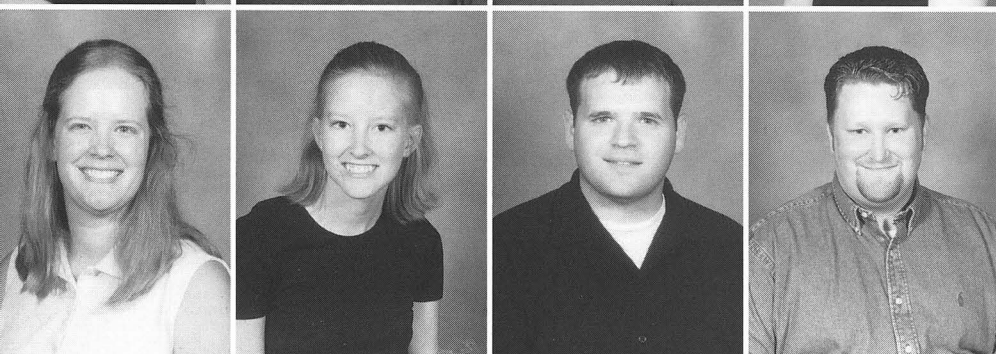
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Chad Mims—Holcomb, Miss. Psychology/Vocational Ministry. Psi Chi. Dean's List. Club Beau. Campaigns. Tentmakers. Chi Sigma Alpha.
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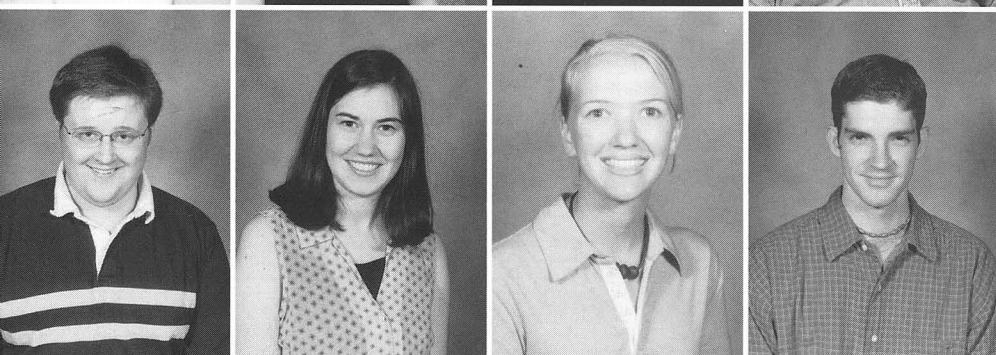
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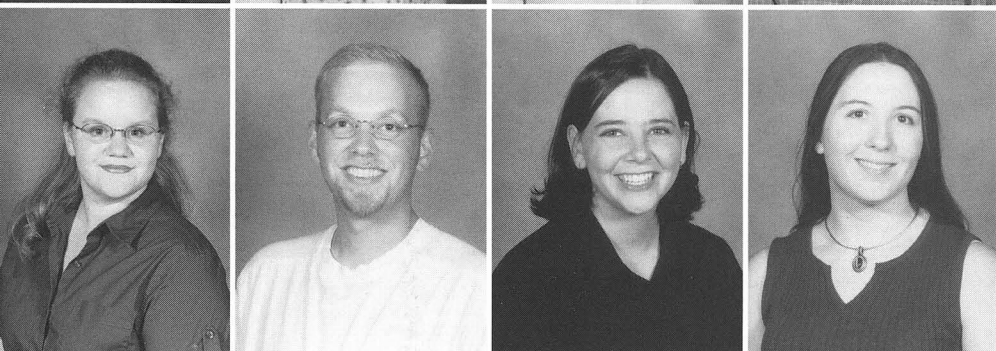
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Roger Morton—Wichita Falls, Texas. Accounting. Club Beau. Dean's List. Campaigns. Delta Mu Delta. Alpha Tau Epsilon.
Dawn Moses—San Antonio, Texas. Biology. International Studies (HUF). Devita. Honors Association. American Studies. Dean's List.
Yahna Moss—Austin, Texas. English. Club Queen. Campaigns (Hawaii). Dean's List. International Studies (HUF). Sigma Tau Delta. Chi Omega Pi.



Emily Mount—Nashville, Tenn. Missions. International Studies (HUG). Divine Property.
Rachel Mount—Lynchburg, Ohio. Marketing. Alpha Chi. Dean's List. American Marketing Association. Ju Go Ju.
Joshua Muller—Dauphin, Canada. Missions. Transfer (Western Christian College). Campaigns (Africa, Scotland). Alpha Chi Malachi. Campus Players. Resident Assistant. Delta Chi Delta.
Brandon Murphy—Searcy, Ark. Information Technology.



Tyler Murphy—Jefferson City, Mo. Graphic Design. Sigma Tau Sigma.
Rebecca Murray—Kingston, Tenn. English. Campaigns (Alaska). Accounting Society. Tri Kappa.
Susanna Murrie—Calabasas, Calif. Social Work. Campaigns (New York, Tennessee; Africa). Dead Federalist Society. Dean's List. International Studies (HUG). Social Work Club. Delta Gamma Rho.
Jeremy Myers—Sarasota, Fla. Youth and Family Ministry. Campaigns (Honduras). Student Impact. Students for Life. Knights.



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Brian Neal—Cleveland, Miss. Music Education-Instrumental/Vocational Ministry. Band. University Chorus. Orchestra. C-MENC. University Singers.
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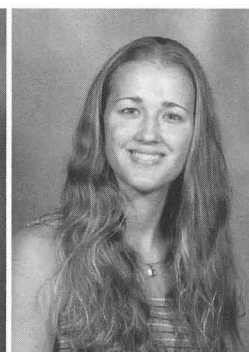
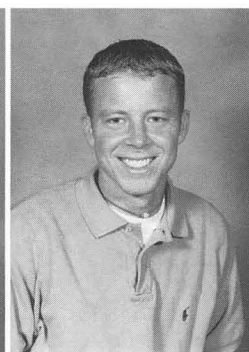
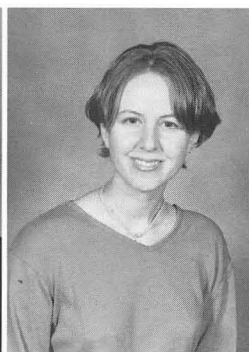
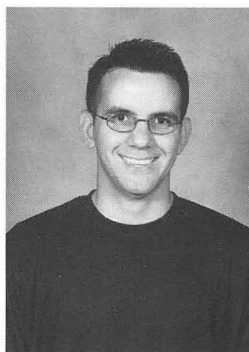


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Wendi Opitz—Jenkins, Okla. Nursing.

Stephen Osborne—Naples, Fla. Accounting. Pi Kappa Epsilon.

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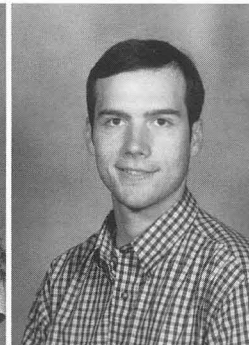
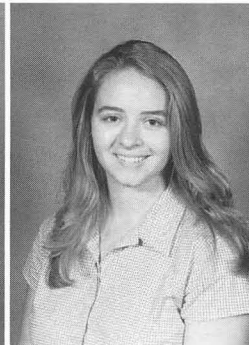
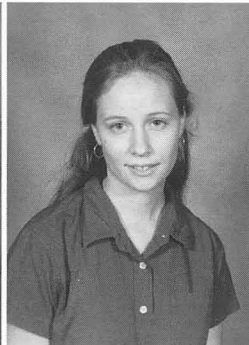
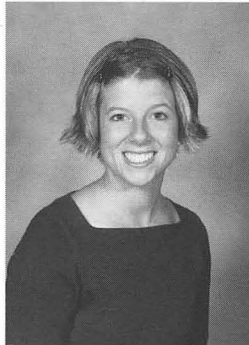


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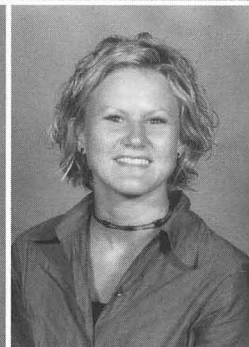
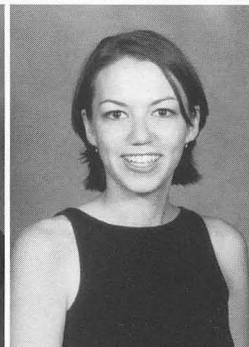
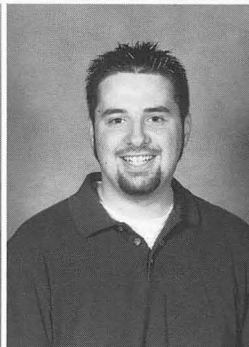


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Sarah Parks—Bartlesville, Okla. English Licensure. Alpha Chi. Zeta Rho.

Reagan Patterson—Clinton, Miss. Management. Campaigns (Australia).
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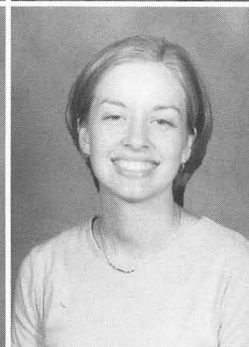
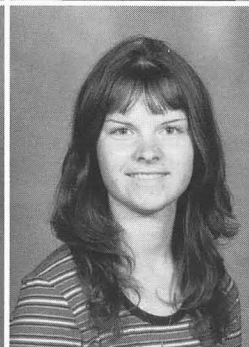
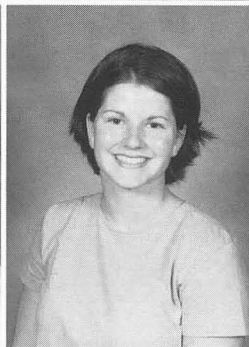


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Courtney Phillips—Memphis, Tenn. Communication Disorders-Public
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Janice Phillips—Keokuk, Iowa. Management. Phi Eta Sigma. Dean's List.
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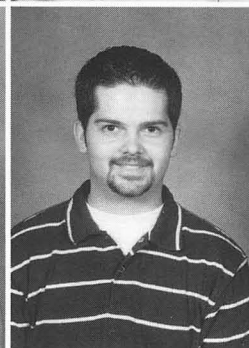
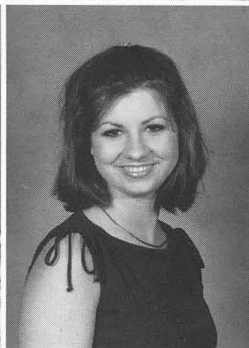
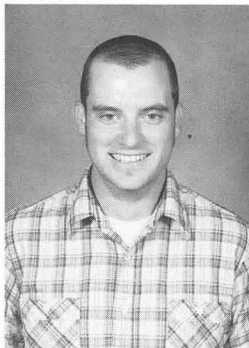


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Stacey Phillips—Cedarville, Ark. Management. Delta Gamma Rho.

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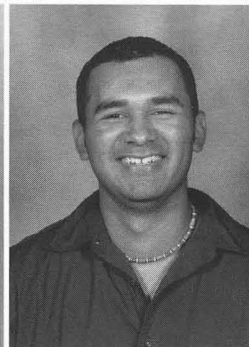
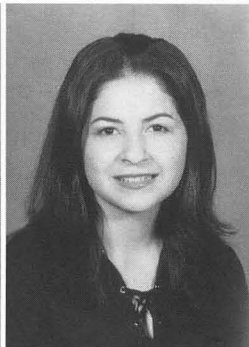


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Wilber Pizarro—Chiriqui, Panama. Accounting. Accounting Society.
Educational Research Association.

Sandra Plante—Orange Park, Fla. Art Licensure. International Studies
(HUG). Kappa Pi. Chi Omega Pi.



Junior auditions for 'American Idol,' follows dreams



Reflecting on her experience of auditioning for "American Idol," junior Toni Edwards watches the two-hour premiere of the reality show's second season at a party in Pryor Hall. Edwards auditioned for the show as a beginning step of fulfilling her dream to become a professional singer after graduating from college. Though she did not make the cut, Edwards continued to pursue her dream. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

When junior Toni Edwards lined up with four other contestants Nov. 6 to audition in front of the executive producers of "American Idol," the reality television show where contestants sang with the hopes of earning a record contract, she had no idea what was in store for her.

"I wasn't really nervous until I stepped up to sing," Edwards said. "I drew a blank on the words, but I could remember the tune so I started and the words just came out."

Edwards dreamed of becoming a professional singer since childhood. Her trek to the "American Idol" auditions began as an obsession for the popular television show and as a step towards accomplishing her dream.

After completing the necessary paperwork from the "American Idol" Web site, Edwards realized she needed the perfect song.

"I wanted to choose something recognizable but not typical," Edwards said.

With paperwork and song in hand, Edwards flew from Little Rock to Houston to get to the Austin audition the next morning.

"We got there at 3 a.m. and waited 30 hours in line," Edwards said.

Her patience paid off the next morning, when she received a wristband that guaranteed Edwards at least one audition. After gaining a wristband and a little bit of confidence, Edwards and around 600 other hopefuls filled the ballroom of the DoubleTree hotel.

Contestants were divided into groups of five before singing in front of a judge.

"Our judge got up and sang 'Hero' by Mariah Carey and told us that if we couldn't

sing that song better than him, to find a different song," Edwards said.

Fortunately, Edwards had chosen a different song and was fourth in line to sing her a capella rendition of "Reach" by Gloria Estefan.

"After I finished the song, Ron [an executive producer and the judge for her group] told me that he would love to hear me sing another song," Edwards said. "I hadn't prepared anything, so I sang the best 'Happy Birthday' that I possibly could."

When she finished her second selection, the judge told Edwards that it was the best version of "Happy Birthday" he had ever heard. With a compliment like that, Edwards thought she had snagged one of the few spots to take her to the next round.

But she was wrong.

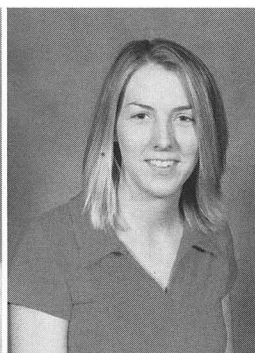
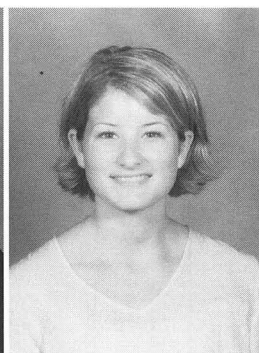
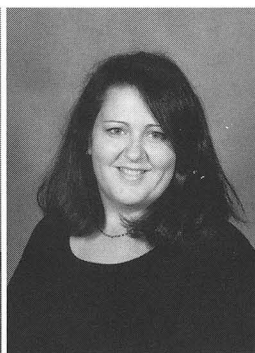
"We stood there in that line and waited for what seemed like hours while Ron deliberated over the groups' talents," Edwards said. "And then came the fateful words. 'I don't think I can take anyone on from this group.'"

"That's when my heart sank," Edwards said. "I just thought that since I was the only one he had asked to sing again in my group that meant I was in."

Edwards did not plan to let one setback prevent her from pursuing her dreams of a music career. She planned to enter another talent search, called, "Nashville Star."

"I want to pursue my dream of music but I also have to be practical about school and finish while I am young," Edwards said. "This is my dream though and I hope I get to live it."

—Jaime Fahs

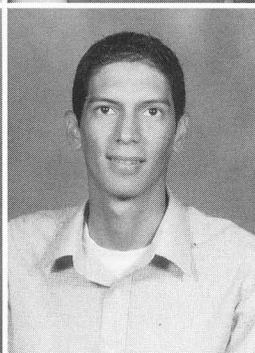
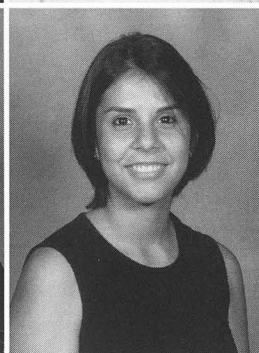
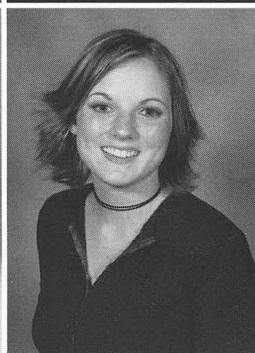


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Allison Prestidge—Black Rock, Ark. Fashion and Interior Merchandising. Campaigns (Colorado, Washington). Divine Property.



Jennifer Pruett—Kaufman, Texas. Dietetics. FCS. Dietetics. Nu Delta Chapter of Kappa Omicron Nu, Inc. Circle K. Who's Who.

Sara Rabon—Searcy, Ark. Print Journalism. Honors Association. International Studies (HUF). Dean's List. Barristers. Campaigns (Honduras).

Claudia Ramirez—San Salvador, El Salvador. Advertising. Bison Staff. Campaigns (El Salvador, Guatemala). KHCA Staff. TV 16. Dactylology.

Rolando Ramos—Panama City, Panama. Computer Science. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Intramurals.





Reading about the latest happenings on campus, Rob Conn peruses the Dec. 6 issue of *The Bison*. The 2002-2003 student newspaper staff printed the issues on newsprint and included more visual effects to increase readership. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

Senior Jeremy Beauchamp, *The Bison* editor-in-chief, dished up a recipe for change this year, calling for the first extensive makeover of the publication since 1995.

"We really wanted to spice it up this year and make it a little more eye-catching," Beauchamp said. "We added a lot graphically to bring it up to date and make it more trendy."

More photos, graphics and color on the front and back pages of each issue were among the most obvious modifications readers could see.

"It was a big improvement," junior Jeffrey Hunter, copy editor of *The Bison*, said. "It was a better representation of our ideas for what we wanted the paper to be."

Beauchamp, a print journalism major, said he believed the improvements would provide more visual appeal and encourage readership.

"They take away some of the grayness of the overall newspaper," Beauchamp said. "We also added skyboxes in the updated masthead to make people pick up the paper."

Junior Mark Goodman favored the new format.

"I think the paper has more of a professional look than before," Goodman said. "More pictures catch my eye and they make the paper more interesting because they break up the text."

Beauchamp attributed much of the graphics work to Hunter, a graphic design major.

"It's to our advantage to have a copy editor who is a graphic design major," Beauchamp said.

The most significant difference was *The Bison's* switch from its former paper stock to newsprint. Beauchamp said that by changing to newsprint, *The Bison* looks and feels more like a typical newspaper.

"It's easier to pick up," Beauchamp said. "You can slap it in your backpack on the way to class."

Senior Charlotte Graham liked the newspaper's new feel.

"I like that it's more convenient to carry and read," Graham said.

Another major improvement for *The Bison* was the extensive overhaul of the online edition. Beauchamp said that although the Web version had previously existed, it was low-key.

"It didn't get many hits before, but I think we're getting more now," Beauchamp said. "Pete Miller [junior], our web specialist, has been doing a fantastic job this year. He does a lot of work to make it look like *The Bison* [print copy] does each week with a few Internet extras."

Positive feedback regarding *The Bison* revisions enabled the staff of the student-produced publication to savor the success.

Senior Mandy Emmersen said she also liked the new and improved paper version of *The Bison*.

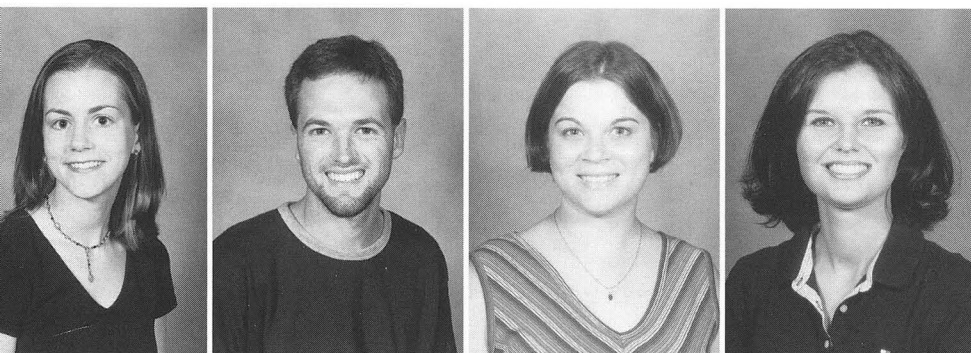
"It's more readable," Emmersen said. "The articles are better and more pictures make it an all-around great paper."

—Christy Canaday

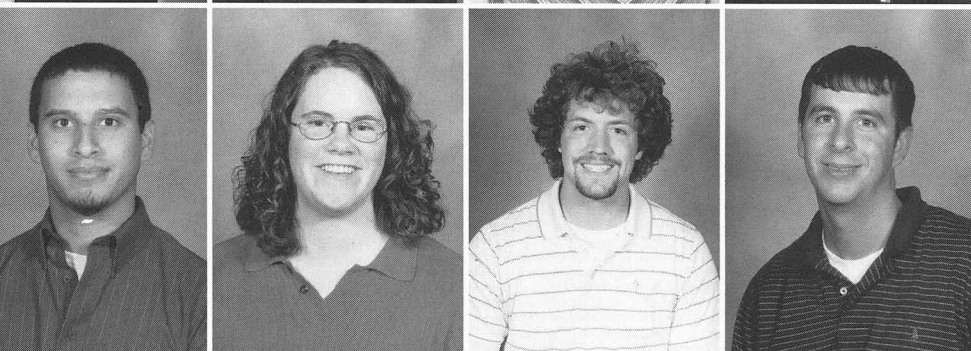
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Melissa Rankin—St. Cloud, Minn. Accounting. Accounting Society. Campaigns (Minnesota, Texas). Resident Assistant. Student Impact. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
Salina Ransom—Jacksonville, Ark. Early Childhood Licensure.
Danny Reese—Austin, Texas. Computer Engineering/Missions. Computer Programming Team. Alpha Chi.



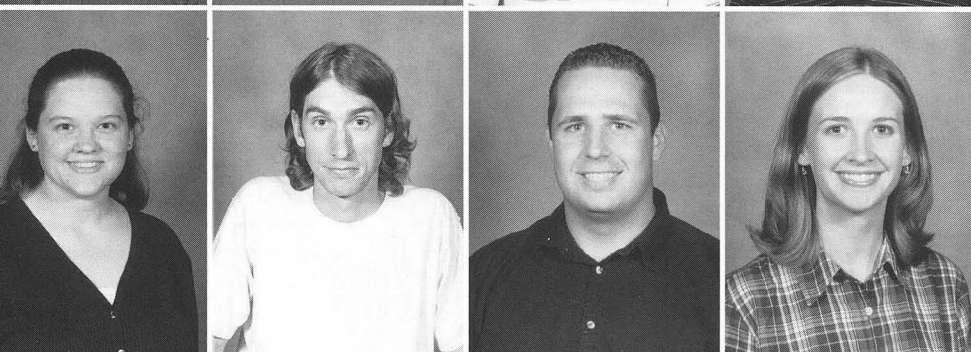
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Andrea Rendon—Victoria, Texas. Fashion and Interior Merchandising. International Studies (HUF). Honors Association. FCS. Dean's List. Dramatics. Regina.
Laura Rhoades—Decatur, Ill. Early Childhood Licensure. Student Council for Exceptional Children.
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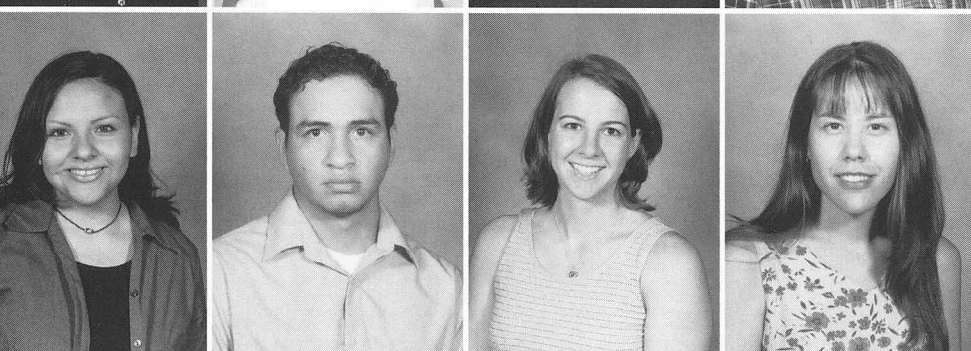
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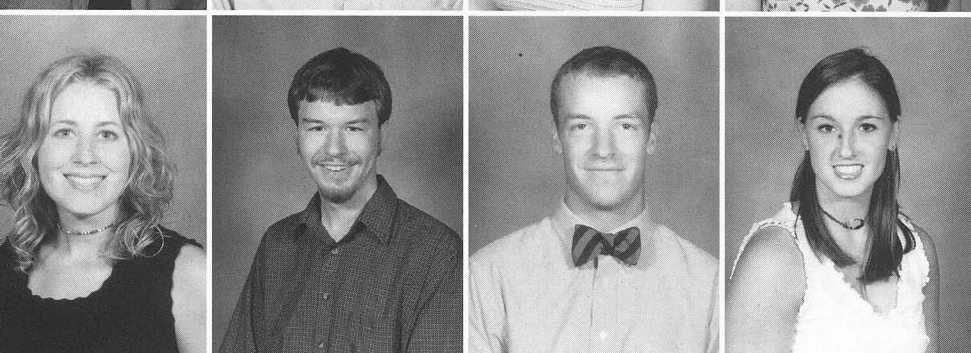
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Matt Roberts—Little Rock, Ark. Economics. American Marketing Association. College Republicans.



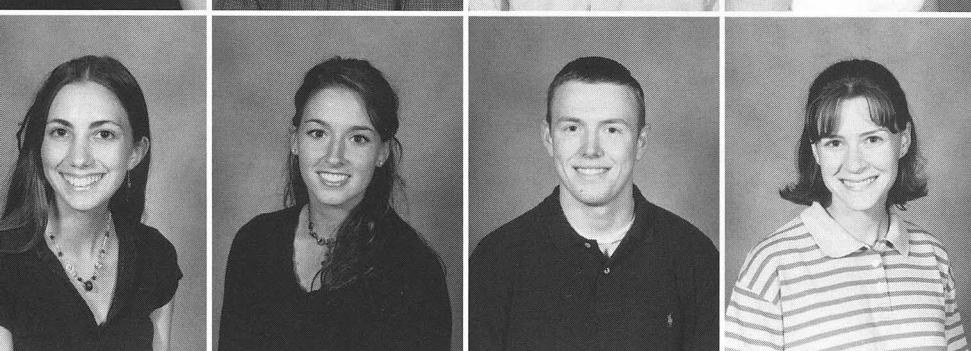
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Brett Robinson—Piney Flats, Tenn. Management. Transfer (E. Tennessee State University). Intercollegiate Athletics (Soccer).
Jason Robitaille—Valley Springs, Calif. Management. SAM. American Marketing Society. College Republicans. International Studies (HUA). Student Impact. Pi Kappa Epsilon.
Maegan Rogers—Paragould, Ark. Math. International Studies (HUE). Honors Association. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Campaigns. Regina.



Pilar Roldan—Arequipa, Peru. Dietetics. Campaigns. Dietetics. FCS. Student Impact. International Student Society. Ju Go Ju.
David Romano—Managua, Nicaragua. Information Technology. Campaigns (Texas). Intramurals. Alpha Tau Epsilon.
Tiffany Rompel—Bend, Ore. Nursing. Dean's List. HSNA. Campaigns (Illinois). Shantih.
Jennifer Royer—Bella Vista, Ark. Early Childhood Licensure.



Rachel Rutherford—Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Art. Campaigns (Scotland). Campus Ministry. Dean's List. Intramurals. SALT.
Daniel Ryan—Memphis, Tenn. Graphic Design. Club Beau (OEGE). International Studies (HUF). Campaigns. King's Men.
Seth Salley—Valparaiso, Ind. Computer Science.
Amy Sanders—Brentwood, Tenn. Social Work. Ju Go Ju.



Nicole Sanders—Quetzaltenango, Guatemala. International Studies. Transfer (Sweet Briar College). Dean's List. French Club. American Studies.
Sara Beth Sanders—Nashville, Tenn. Communication Management. American Marketing Association. Circle K. Class Officer. International Studies (HUF). Intramurals. Ju Go Ju.
Adam Sandlin—Maumelle, Ark. Biology/Premed. Health Science Club. Devita. Dean's List. Phi Eta Sigma. Intramurals. Titans.
Jenni Sandlin—Beebe, Ark. Psychology. Transfer (Hendrix College). Dean's List. Intramurals. Psi Chi. Campaigns (Illinois).



Mac Sandlin—Beebe, Ark. History/Vocational Ministry. Phi Alpha Theta.
 Cherise Sanford—Missouri City, Texas. Information Technology.
 International Studies (HUF). Campaigns (New Hampshire).
 Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
 Ryan Saul—Virginia Beach, Va. Public Relations. Transfer (Old Dominion
 University). *Bison* Staff. *Petit Jean* Staff.
 Amy Sauls—Ooltewah, Tenn. Communication Management. International
 Studies (HUF). Campaigns (California). American Marketing Association.
 College Republicans. Ju Go Ju.



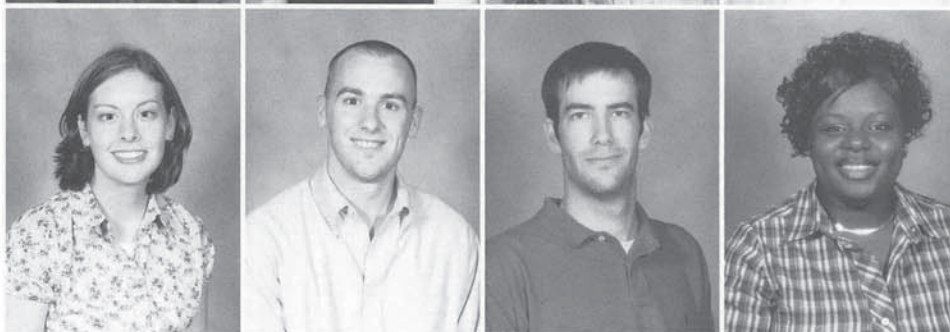
Matt Savage—Alabaster, Ala. Interactive Media. TNT.
 Hannah Sawyer—Louisville, Ky. Theater. Alpha Psi Omega/ETA Omega.
 Campus Players. Band.
 Mike Sayle—San Antonio, Texas. Missions. Alpha Chi Malachi.
 Daniel Schlarman—Imperial, Mo. Marketing/Economics. Business/
 Economics Team. Dean's List. Alpha Tau Epsilon.



Klaus Schmidt—Guadalajara Jalisco, Mexico. Marketing. Intercollegiate
 Athletics (Tennis).
 Michelle Scobba—Louisville, Ky. Print Journalism/French. Alpha Chi.
 Campaigns (Switzerland). International Studies (HUF). Honors Association.
Petit Jean Staff. Omega Lambda Chi.
 Kelly Semore—Chattanooga, Tenn. Child Development. Honors
 Association. American Studies. International Studies (HUE). Alpha Chi.
 Nu Delta Chapter of Kappa Omicron Nu, Inc. Regina.
 Daniel Shank—Memphis, Tenn. Computer Science. Alpha Tau Epsilon.



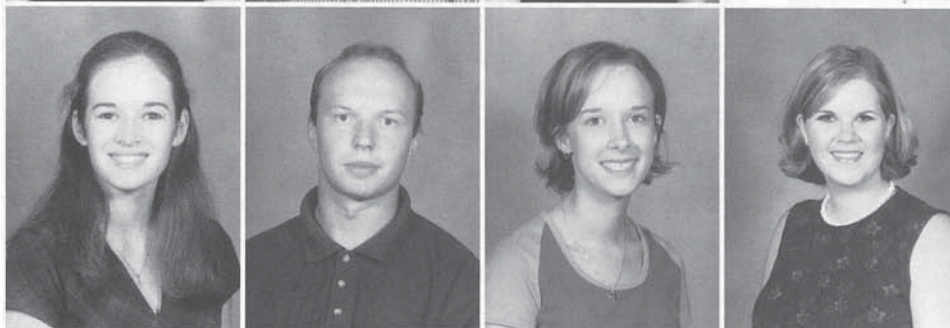
Marina Shannon—Chambersburg, Pa. Public Relations. Transfer (Ohio
 Valley College). Intramurals.
 Stephen Shannon—Chambersburg, Pa. Criminal Justice/Behavioral
 Sciences.
 Jeff Sheets—Altus, Okla. Public Administration. Barristers. College
 Democrats. Dean's List. TNT.
 Janel Shelton—El Dorado, Ark. Biology. Divine Property. Devita. Health
 Science Club. Student Impact. Youth Corps.



Cara Sheumaker—Lakeland, Fla. Communication Disorders. Alpha Chi.
 Circle K. Honors Association. International Studies (HUF). Student Speech
 and Hearing Association.
 Maija Shirley—Searcy, Ark. Dietetics.
 Kelly Shoemaker—Hutchinson, Kan. Health Care Management. ACHE.
 Chi Delta Epsilon. Dean's List.
 Michelle Shoultz—Searcy, Ark. Early Childhood Education.



Jennie Sifford—Mesquite, Texas. Vocal Music Education. Concert Choir.
 Dactylogy. Alpha Chi. American Studies. C-MENC. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.
 Arthur Sikora—Lodz, Poland. International Business.
 Brianne Simpson—Ft. Worth, Texas. Nursing. Transfer (Oklahoma
 Christian University). Campaigns (Kenya, Nigeria). HSNA. Nursing
 Student Association. Dean's List.
 Jenny Sims—Lakewood, Colo. Early Childhood Licensure. International
 Studies (HUG). Concert Choir. SALT. Student Council for Exceptional Children.
 Student Impact (Volunteer). Shanthi.





our kristen foundation helps families in need

Junior Erin Selby mixes cookies for the Ju Go Ju-sponsored bake sale Nov. 4-8. The bake sale benefited the Our Kristin Foundation. The foundation, which formed after former student Kristen Altman was killed in a car accident Jan. 16, 2002, helped families deal with the unexpected loss of a child.

After Altman's death, her family faced funeral and burial costs. A friend of the family assisted by helping with the funeral arrangements and more friends helped financially.

After being the recipient of such love and generosity, the Altman family wanted to build a foundation that would assist other families faced with the terrible loss of a child.

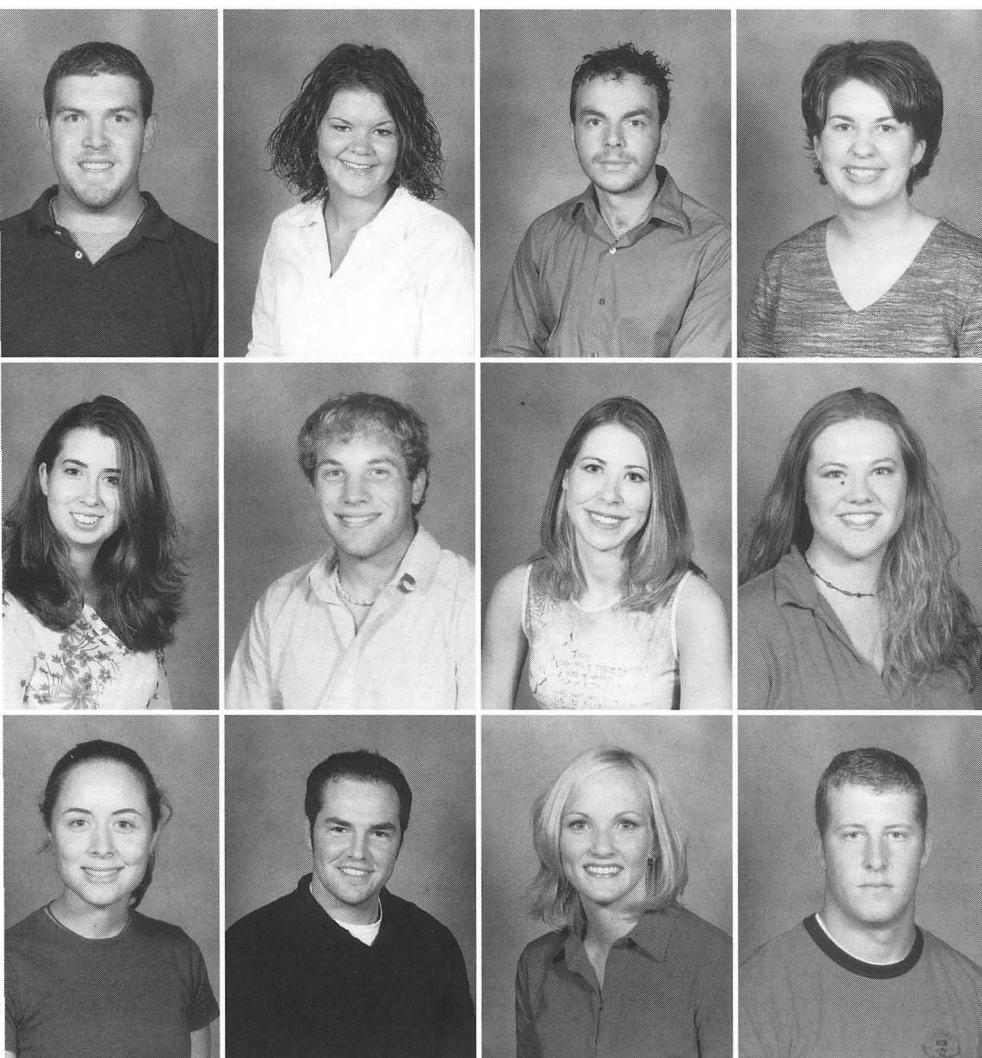
"[The] Our Kristin Foundation not only helps families with the financial needs that the loss of a child causes, but also helps families with their emotional needs by giving them a support system of families that have been in similar situations," sophomore Dana Altman, Kristin's sister, said.

On May 14, 2002, the Our Kristin Foundation held its first auction and benefit dinner. More than 500 people attended and the keynote speaker was Rabbi Harold Kushner, author of "When Bad Things Happen to Good People." Proceeds from the auction directly aided the foundation's mission of assisting families in need.

During her time at Harding, Kristin Altman was a member of Ju Go Ju social club. In an effort to remember their club sister, Ju Go Ju members planned several fundraising activities to help the Our Kristin Foundation. One of these activities was a bake sale, which raised more than \$700.

The Altman family expressed gratitude for the support the student body gave to the Our Kristin Foundation. By loving and supporting families in grieving situations, the family hoped to capture the generosity and love of Kristin Altman. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

—Elizabeth Stephens



Andrew Sisco—Cordova, Tenn. Management. Titans.

Lauren Skelton—W. Fork, Ark. Early Childhood Education. SALT.

Ilir Skendaj—Fier, Albania. Information Technology. Transfer (Crowley's Ridge College). International Student Society. Intramurals.

Amanda Slayton—Hardy, Ark. Health Care Management. Transfer (Crowley's Ridge College). ACHE. Student Impact. Campaigns. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

Starr Sliter—Edom, Texas. Management. Transfer (Tyler Junior College). Delta Mu Delta. Dean's List. Divine Property.

Josiah Smelser—Florence, Ala. Accounting. Accounting Society. Dean's List. Devita. Art Guild. Barristers. Knights.

Natalie Smeltzer—Conway, Ark. Accounting. International Studies (HUF). Accounting Society. Alpha Chi. Delta Mu Delta. Dean's List. Ko Jo Kai.

Abby Smith—New York, N.Y. Music. University Chorus. Dramatics. Honors Association. Campus Players. Campaigns (Albania, Australia, Bulgaria, Greece, Italy, New Zealand). Delta Gamma Rho.

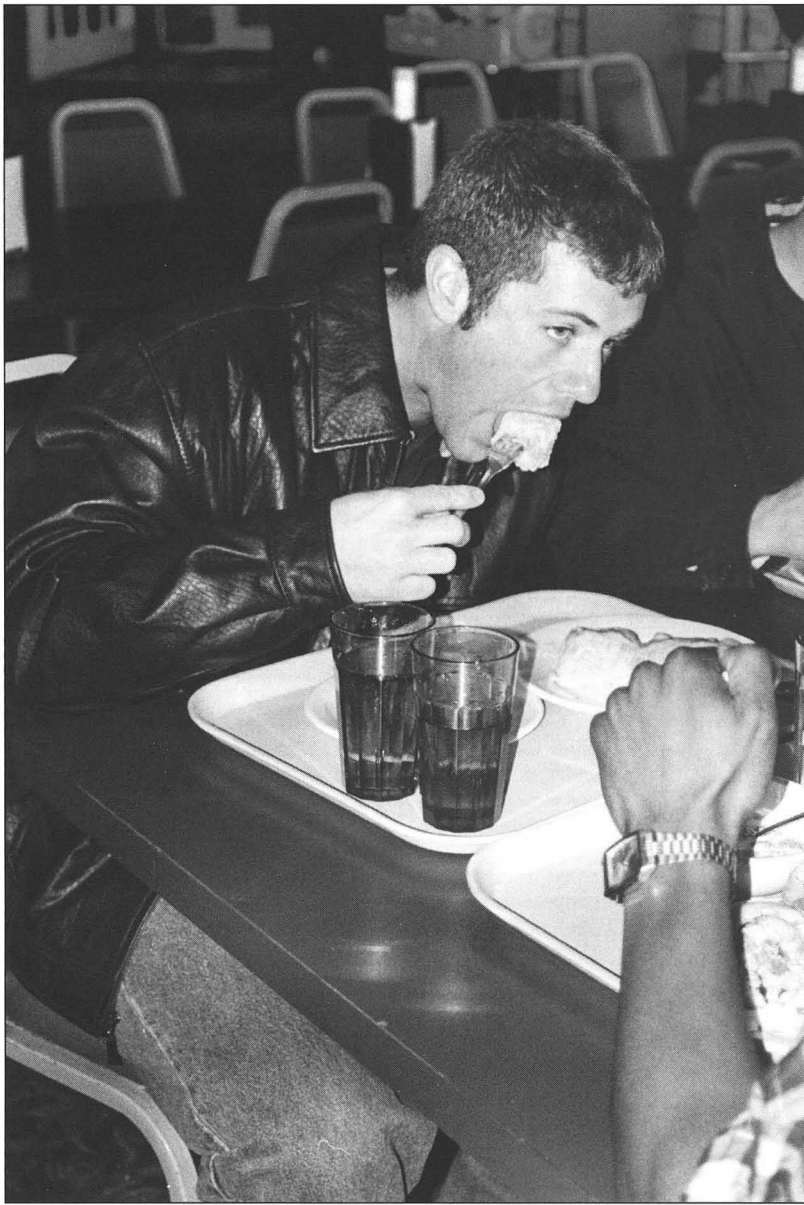
Anna Smith—Hixson, Tenn. Math Licensure. Transfer (University of Tennessee at Chattanooga). Intramurals. Dean's List. Kappa Delta Pi. Delta Gamma Rho.

Brett Smith—Kingwood, Texas. Biology. College Republicans. Devita. Health Science Club. Honors Association. Premed Club. TNT.

Crystal Smith—Ironton, Mo. Child and Family Sciences. FCS. International Studies (HUG). Chi Omega Pi.

Jarrod Smith—Bradford, Ark. Marketing. Intercollegiate Athletics (Baseball). Seminole.





Junior Jonathan Dean stuffs his face with a typical Southern breakfast of biscuits and gravy in the cafeteria. Southern cuisine illustrated one of the differences between the North and the South. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

The U.S. Census Bureau defined "the South" as the 16-state region consisting of Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Arkansas and Texas. Residents of these states were considered by the government to be Southern.

However, Harding students found there was a lot more to being Southern than a government definition.

Fried food, cowboy hats and neighborly folks were a few of the noticeable differences students from areas outside the South noticed upon their arrival to Searcy.

In the cafeteria, students found biscuits and gravy, chicken and dumplings and fried okra. In local stores, such as Wal-Mart, they noticed the camouflage selection. While crossing streets on the way to class, they stopped as large Z-71 Chevys roared by.

Students not accustomed to the Southern way of life often had a small case of culture shock.

"I met a guy once who had never seen biscuits and gravy," senior Marc Grey said. "Apparently he thought the gravy was some sort of icing."

Some students found the change a little overwhelming. Sophomore Chrissie Martinez came to Harding from Brooklyn, N.Y. and quickly encountered a different culture.

"One of the first things that I had to get used to was the pace of life here," Martinez said. "In New York City, the goal is to never stop walking."

The difference in language also proved confusing for students.

Sophomore Katie Bohm, from Amherst, Wis., said the differences between the Northern and Southern dialects took her a while to figure out.

"What I call a 'shopping cart' many people here call a 'buggy' and what I call a 'bag' many people call a 'sack,'" Bohm said. "In fact, I didn't even know what some things were, like okra."

Culinary differences also required adjustment for students outside the south. Those from the South knew their cooking style was unique.

Reared in Clarksville, Texas, senior Austin Cooper said Southerners have a type of food all their own.

"The biggest difference I know of has to be the food," Cooper said. "Southerners definitely like to fry stuff. You can fry anything, fish, chicken, steak, even pickles."

Although many students quickly realized the differences between students from different parts of America, some were also quick to appreciate the diversity that brought a unique fellowship to Harding's campus.

"We might all be very different by where we come from," Bohm said. "But we are the same in the fact that we are Christians that serve the same God."

—Ryan Saul

Jordan Smith—Tulsa, Okla. Management. Campaigns (Utah). Club Beau. International Studies (HUF). Titans.

Justin Smith—Searcy, Ark. Management. Transfer (University of Arkansas). Dean's List. Pi Sigma Epsilon.

Larissa Smith—Spring, Texas. Communication Disorders-Public School. Student Speech and Hearing Association. Dramatics. Regina.

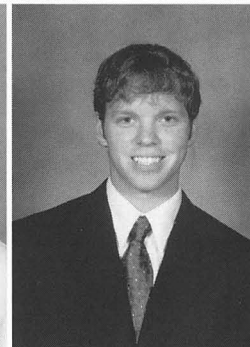
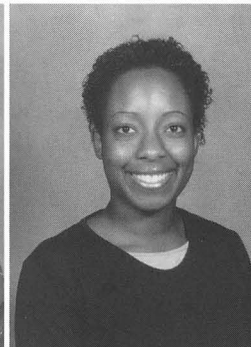
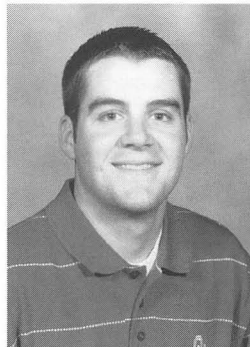
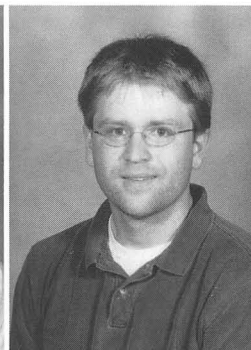
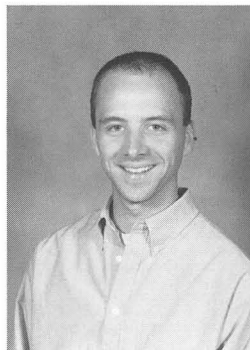
Paige Smith—Memphis, Tenn. Accounting. College Republicans. Accounting Society. International Studies (HUF). Dean's List. Ko Jo Kai.

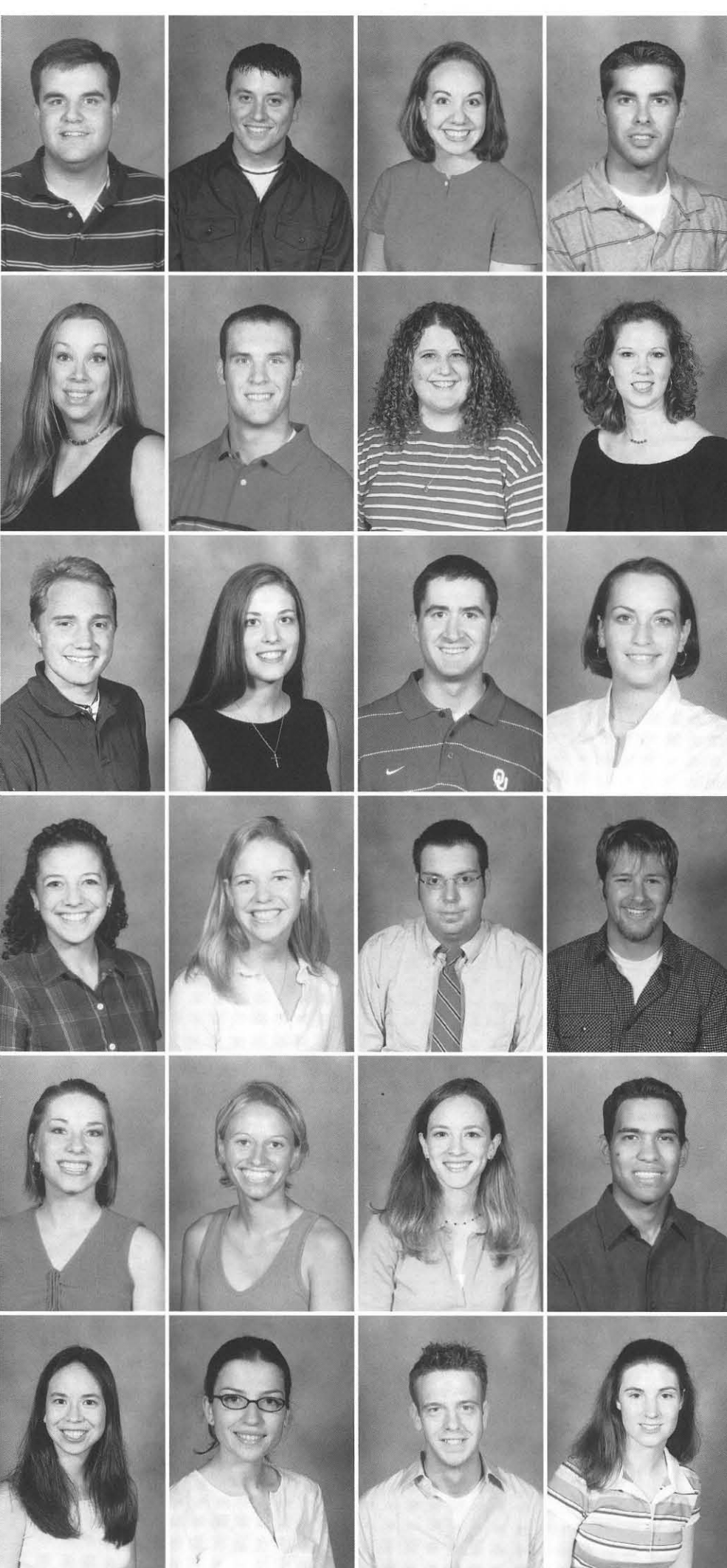
Stephen Smith—New Braunfels, Texas. Accounting. Accounting Society. Club Beau. College Republicans. Forensics Team. Titans.

Nivia Snowden—W. Henrietta, N.Y. Nursing. Campaigns (Brazil). Omega Lambda Chi.

Elizabeth Solano—Sheridan, Ark. Accounting. Accounting Society. Dean's List. Omega Lambda Chi.

Josh South—Gulf Shores, Ala. Political Science. Transfer (Faulkner State Community College). College Republicans. Campaigns. Chi Sigma Alpha.





Matt Speer—Searcy, Ark. Youth and Family Ministry. Alpha Chi Malachi. Campaigns (Oregon, Washington). TNT.

Justin Spring—Belpre, Ohio. Marketing. Gamma Sigma Phi.

Heidi Springston—Early Childhood/Middle Level English and Social Studies. Pied Pipers. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Kappa Delta Pi. Campaigns (Africa). Chi Omega Pi.

Jeff Stanley—Texarkana, Texas. Computer Science. Transfer (Texarkana College). Intramurals. Computer Science Club.

Rebekah Stavros—San Diego, Calif. Elementary Education/Vocational Ministry.

Josh Steed—Carbondale, Ill. Exercise Science. Alpha Chi. American Studies. Club Beau. Dean's List. Omicron Delta Kappa. TNT.

Laura Stegall—Paducah, Ky. General Studies. American Marketing Association. Divine Property. JOY. Youth Corps. University Singers. Shantih.

LeAnne Stegall—El Dorado, Ark. Dietetics. Nu Delta Chapter of Kappa Omicron Nu, Inc. Omicron Delta Kappa. International Studies (HUG). Dietetics. Chi Omega Pi.

Jared Stephens—San Antonio, Texas. Interactive Media. Transfer (Abilene Christian University). Fisher's Men. Who's Who. Honors Association. Circle K. Dramatics.

Shannon Stephens—San Antonio, Texas. Oral Communication. American Studies. Circle K. Dean's List. Honors Association. Who's Who. Shantih.

Cameron Stewart—Lancaster, Texas. Exercise Science. Club Beau. (Ko Jo Kai). Dean's List. Exercise Science Club. Intramurals. SA Committee. Titans.

Candi Stewart—Kenai, Alaska. Accounting. Accounting Society. Campaigns (Pennsylvania, Scotland). Chi Omega Pi.

Claudia Stockstill—Searcy, Ark. Communication Disorders-Public School. American Studies. International Studies (HUF). Omicron Delta Kappa. Student Speech and Hearing Association. Theatron. Zeta Rho.

Katie Stone—Benicia, Calif. History. Club Queen (Chi Sigma Alpha). Ju Go Ju.

Jeremy Stoneburner—Ravenna, Ohio. Marketing. American Marketing Association. Campus Players. College Republicans. International Studies (HUG). SA Committee.

Mark Sullivan—Bon Aqua, Tenn. Music.

Marilee Sutherlin—W. Chester, Ohio. Marketing. American Marketing Association. Campaigns (New Zealand). International Studies (HUF). JOY.

Carmen Sutton—Tulsa, Okla. Accounting. Intercollegiate Athletics (Soccer). International Studies (HUF). Dean's List. Accounting Society. Zeta Rho.

Kelly Swatzell—Jackson, Mo. Psychology. International Studies (HUG). Campaigns. Psi Chi. Alpha Chi. Delta Gamma Rho.

Anibal Tamacas—San Salvador, El Salvador. Computer Science. International Student Society. Campaigns (Brazil). Computer Science Club. Intercollegiate Athletics (Soccer). Student Movie Committee.

Lauren Tao—W. Chester, Pa. Music Education. Band. University Chorus. American Studies. Dean's List. C-MENC.

Eralda Tarpley—Vlora, Albania. Computer Science. Computer Science Club. Campaigns (Germany, Switzerland). Dean's List. University Singers. Resident Assistant.

Bill Tarrant—Richardson, Texas. Health Care Management. ACHE. Alpha Chi. Dean's List. Delta Mu Delta. Premed Club.

Eden Taylor—Bristow, Va. Health Care Management. ACHE. Campaigns. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

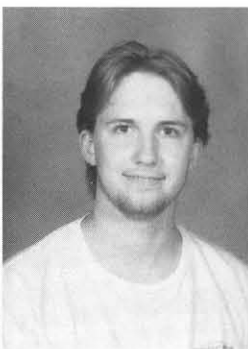
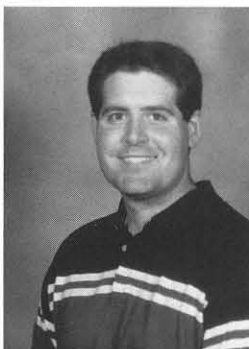
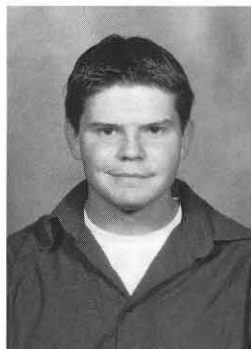


Lloyd Taylor—Pensacola, Fla. Bible. King's Men.

Paige Tenery—Arlington, Texas. Early Childhood Education. Ko Jo Kai.

Bryan Thompson—Atlanta, Ga. Information Technology/Vocational Ministry.
Club Beau (Shantih). Student Impact.
Student Movie Committee. Knights.

John Thompson—Cordova, Tenn. Computer Science.
Computer Programming Team.

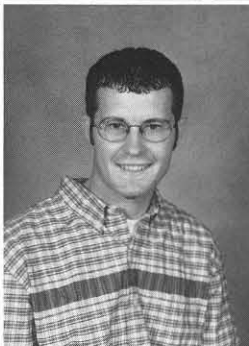
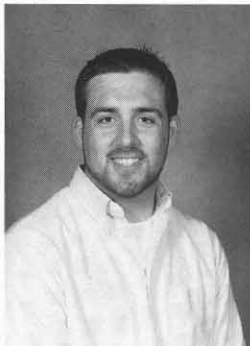


Kristen Thompson—Austin, Texas. Management/Vocational Ministry.
International Studies (HUA). Phi Eta Sigma. Student Impact (Committee).
Dean's List. Who's Who. Tri Kappa.

Robbie Thompson—Knoxville, Tenn. Chemistry.

Trey Thompson III—Houston, Texas. Political Science/History. Band.
Campaigns. Intercollegiate Athletics (Soccer). Intramurals. Orchestra.
King's Men.

Mica Timms—Searcy, Ark. Spanish.

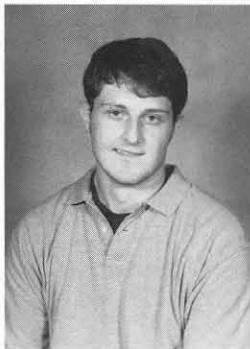


Laura Tollett—Benton, Ark. Exercise Science/Spanish. Intercollegiate
Athletics (Tennis). Exercise Science Club. Campaigns (Venezuela).
International Studies (HUG). Alpha Chi.

Jovan Totic—Memphis, Tenn. Accounting. Accounting Society.
Campaigns. Intramurals. Titans.

Stacey Troutman—Louisville, Ky. General Studies. Theatron. Student
Speech and Hearing Association. Phi Eta Sigma. Dean's List. Youth Corps.

Aida Tuci—Tirana, Albania. Art.



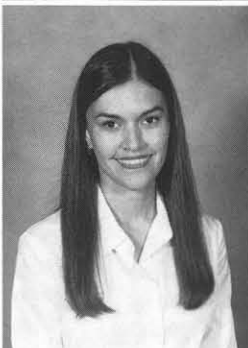
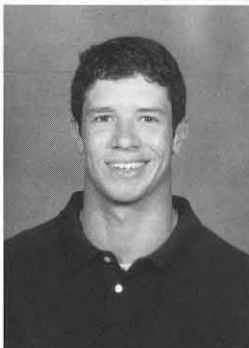
Sarah Tunick—Bowie, Md. Early Childhood/Special Education.

Rachel Turner—Amherst, Ohio. Early Childhood/Special Education.

Kappa Delta Pi. Dean's List. Student Council for Exceptional Children. SALT.

Matt Underwood—Searcy, Ark. Social Science. Alpha Chi. Dean's List.
Campaigns (Washington D.C.). Club Beau (Ko Jo Kai). Titans.

Michelle Valdivieso—Queretaro, Qro, Mexico. Electronic Media.
Campaigns (El Salvador, Guatemala). TV 16. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

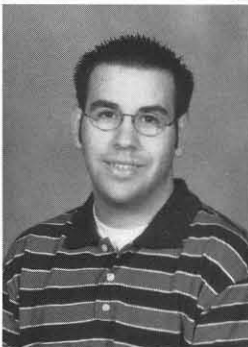
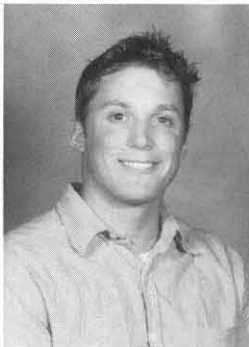
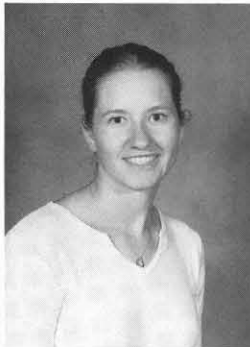
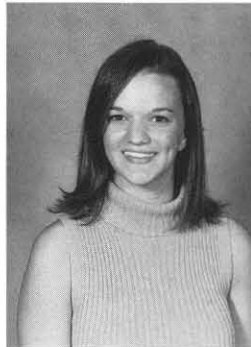


Heather Valentine—Lexington, Ky. Communication Disorders-
Public School. Zeta Rho.

Angel VanDeBrake—New Richmond, Wis. Art Licensure. Transfer
(York College). Campaigns (Russia). SALT. Divine Property.

Trevor Vaughn—Norman, Okla. Biology. Pi Sigma Epsilon. Devita. Health
Science Club. Premed Club. College Republicans. Pi Kappa Epsilon.

Beni Venkatesan—Endicott, N.Y. Accounting. Accounting Society.
Kappa Sigma Kappa.

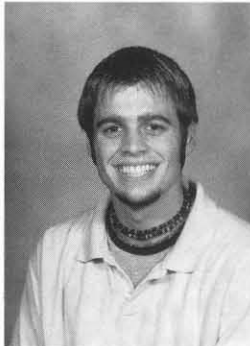
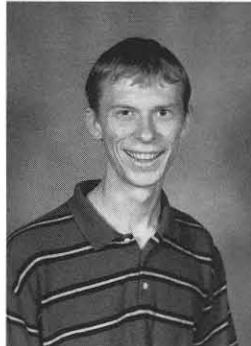


Matt Vick—Rome, Ga. Marketing. Club Beau. Campaigns (New York).
Phi Eta Sigma. American Marketing Association. Band. Delta Chi Delta.

Robin Vick—Marketing. Delta Chi Delta.

Tracy Vidal—Poway, Ark. Interactive Media.

Elona Vladi—Tirana, Albania. International Business.





picture perfect campus attracts students

Freshman Jaren Stempfer studies on one of the fabled Harding swings that dots the campus' landscape.

Throughout the year, students utilized and appreciated the campus in a variety of ways. Some students even admitted their decision to come to Harding was, among other reasons, because of the campus.

Freshman Emily Arnold said she fell in love with Harding during her first visit.

"I had visited other schools but nothing compared [to Harding]," Arnold said. "The landscape means nothing to some people, but it made the difference for me and influenced my decision to come."

Junior Michael Barger said he also believed Harding's campus was nicer than some of the others he visited.

"Even though the campus didn't have a bearing on my ultimate decision to come here, I liked it better than other places," Barger said. "When looking at Oklahoma Christian University compared to Harding, it was depressing."

"The atmosphere was so dry at Oklahoma Christian and it seemed like a desert. It looked like all those bricks fell out of the sky and stacked on each other. Here you've got the shade of the trees, landscaping and grass. It seems to have more of a history to it."

The grounds crew put many hours into maintaining the physical appearance of the campus. Johnny Ferguson, director of grounds beautification, said the physical resources department hired 11 people to maintain the campus grounds.

"I love the campus because I'm an outdoors person," junior Johnna Staudinger said. "The front lawn is especially gorgeous when it snows. It looks like a winter wonderland and the snow turns everybody into little kids." (Photo by Lindsey Taliaferro)

—Christy Canady



Craig Wade—Searcy, Ark. Accounting/Vocational Ministry. Accounting Society. Who's Who. Intramurals.

Jeanne Wadsworth—Machesney Park, Ill. Child Development. Campaigns. Divine Property.

Traci Wagner—Satellite Beach, Fla. Special Education. Dean's List. Shanthi.

Amy Walker—Benton, Ky. English Licensure. Campaigns (France). Dean's List. Intercollegiate Athletics (Soccer). Sigma Tau Delta. Zeta Rho.

Jeremy Wallace—Woodstock, Ga. Psychology. Campaigns. Dean's List. International Studies (HUG). Psi Chi. Resident Assistant. Gamma Sigma Phi.

Susan Waller—N. Richland Hills, Texas. Early Childhood/Middle Level Education. Campaigns (Czech Republic). Kappa Delta Pi. SAC. SALT. Student Impact. Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

Tressa Wallis—Lewisville, Texas. Music Education. Band. Orchestra. C-MENC. University Singers. Omega Lambda Chi.

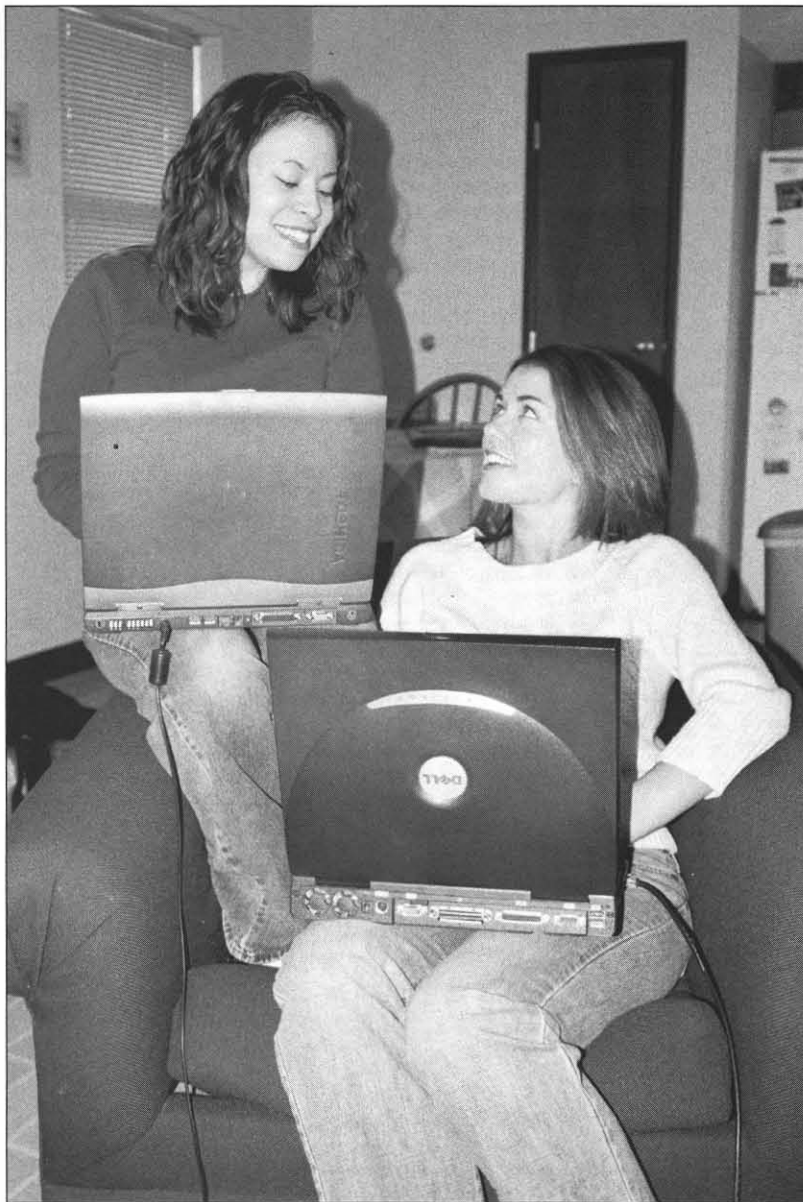
Anna Walters—Concord, N.C. Psychology. Dean's List. Psi Chi. International Studies (HUF). Club Queen (Knights). Conquerors. Shanthi.

Katie Wampler—Corpus Christi, Texas. Theater. Alpha Psi Omega. Campus Players. Dean's List. Phi Eta Sigma. Who's Who.

Sarah Weeden—Lodi, Calif. Psychology. Psi Chi. Dean's List. SALT. Regina.

Jesse Welch—Searcy, Ark. Graphic Design. Campaigns (Honduras, Mexico). Student Impact. TNT.

Jerry Weston—McCrory, Ark. Computer Science.



In the comfort of their Shores Hall dorm room, junior Sarah Sylvia and senior Leah Eddy chat with friends across the globe by using America Online Instant Messenger. AIM stood as a popular form of communication among college students who could not afford long-distance phone calls. (Photo by Melissa Wilson)

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For people who were not familiar with current cyber trends, this abbreviated conversation appeared to be a string of misplaced letters. To savvy Internet users, however, the letters formed the familiar lingo between America Online Instant Messenger buddies on a computer.

AIM became a popular method of communication among friends, family members and students at Harding for several reasons.

Internet access and free downloadable software were all that was needed to conveniently chat with other users.

Since AIM was facilitated through an online connection, long-distance phone bills became unnecessary. Instead of exchanging phone numbers, people exchanged screen names.

Senior Laura Rhoades enjoyed using AIM to communicate with several friends at one time.

"I enjoy talking to more than one [person] at a time," Rhoades said. "Sometimes I become too involved in talking and neglect my studies, but when a new screen name appears, it is an unexpected surprise."

Junior Heather Thompson made extensive use of the service while taking an online college course last summer.

"I was already online for school every day, so I stayed logged on to AIM to keep in touch with friends in Florida and Virginia when they popped up ran-

domly online," Thompson said.

Junior Katy Wallis, who spent the fall semester studying abroad in Florence, Italy, took advantage of the opportunity to keep in touch with friends while overseas.

"Even though I was kind of sad that I would not be able to see my best friends at school for several months, it helped to know I could still talk to them," Wallis said.

AIM eliminated the frustration created from missing phone calls or receiving prerecorded messages on answering machines because it allowed users to provide updated away messages describing their whereabouts.

"It's pretty handy," junior Amanda Griffin said. "For me it's like a two-way answering machine. I can check my friends' away messages to find out where they are and when they'll be back, and they can do the same for me."

Despite the conveniences, AIM was not a flawless means of maintaining relationships. The impersonal nature created from chatting online was considered by some to be a drawback to the service.

"Although I'm on it [AIM] all the time, I would rather talk to people on the phone," junior Daniel McGraw said. "On AIM, it is difficult to understand what people are talking about when I can't hear the inflection in their voice."

—Christy Canady

Amanda White—Indianapolis, Ind. Child and Family Sciences. Regina.

Jon White—Fairmount, Ill. Computer Engineering. Band. Alpha Chi. Campaigns (Brazil). Alpha Tau Epsilon.

Justin White—Frankston, Texas. Criminal Justice. Transfer (Tyler Junior College). Student Impact. Intramurals.

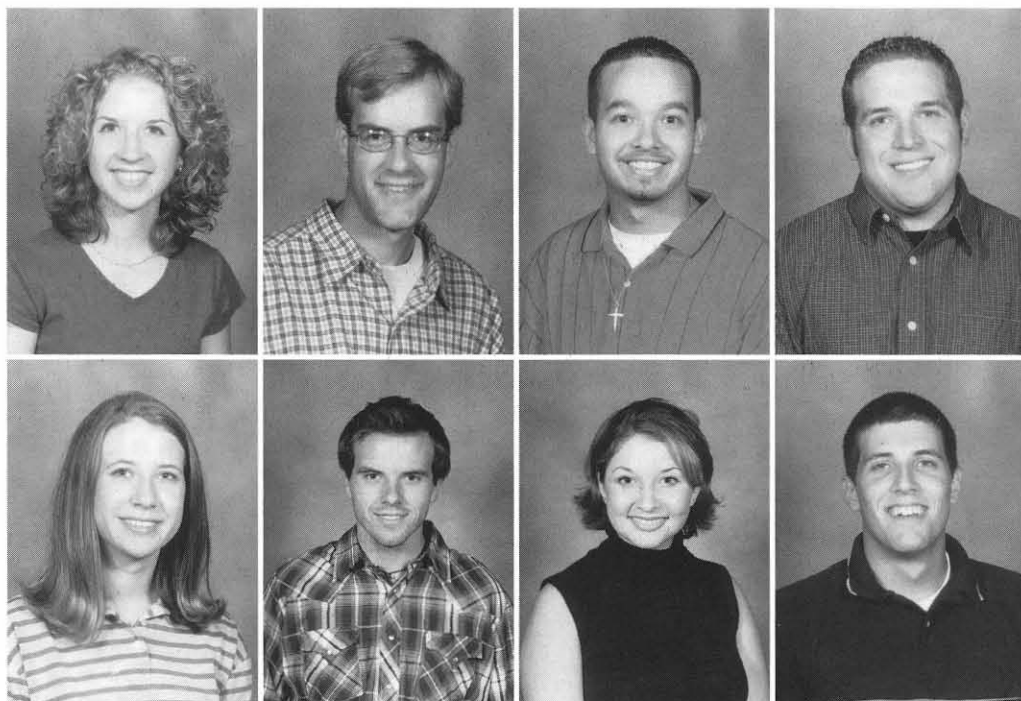
Nathaniel Wiewora—Jupiter, Fla. Political Science/History. International Studies (HUG). Honors Association. Band. Forensics Team. Knights.

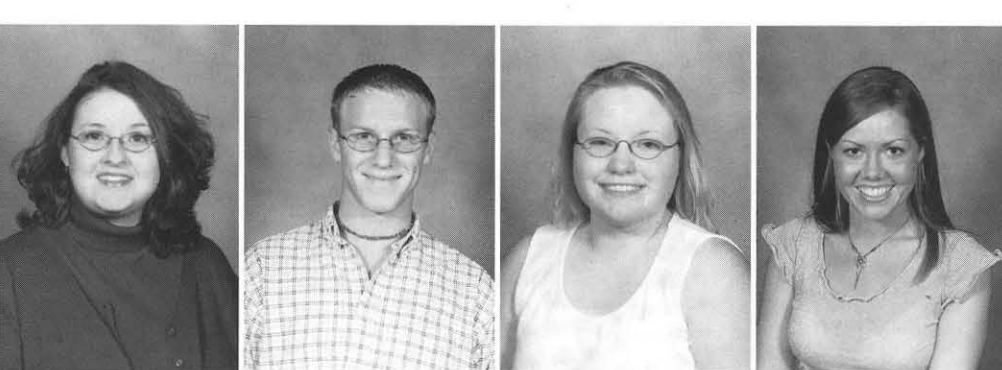
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Justin Williams—Corsicana, Texas. English. Transfer (Navarro College). Alpha Chi. Campus Players. Dean's List. Intramurals.

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Ryan Williams—McAlester, Okla. Chemistry. Gedanken Society. Who's Who. King's Men.





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Tina Young—Reynoldsville, Pa. Math Licensure/Vocational Ministry.
Jeremy Younger—Shreveport, La. Psychology. Dean's List. Psi Chi. International Studies (HUF). Titans.



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Bethany Zimmerly—Mobile, Ala. Biology. Devita. Campaigns (Scotland). Kappa Gamma Epsilon.

